



SANTA ANA POLICE DEPARTMENT



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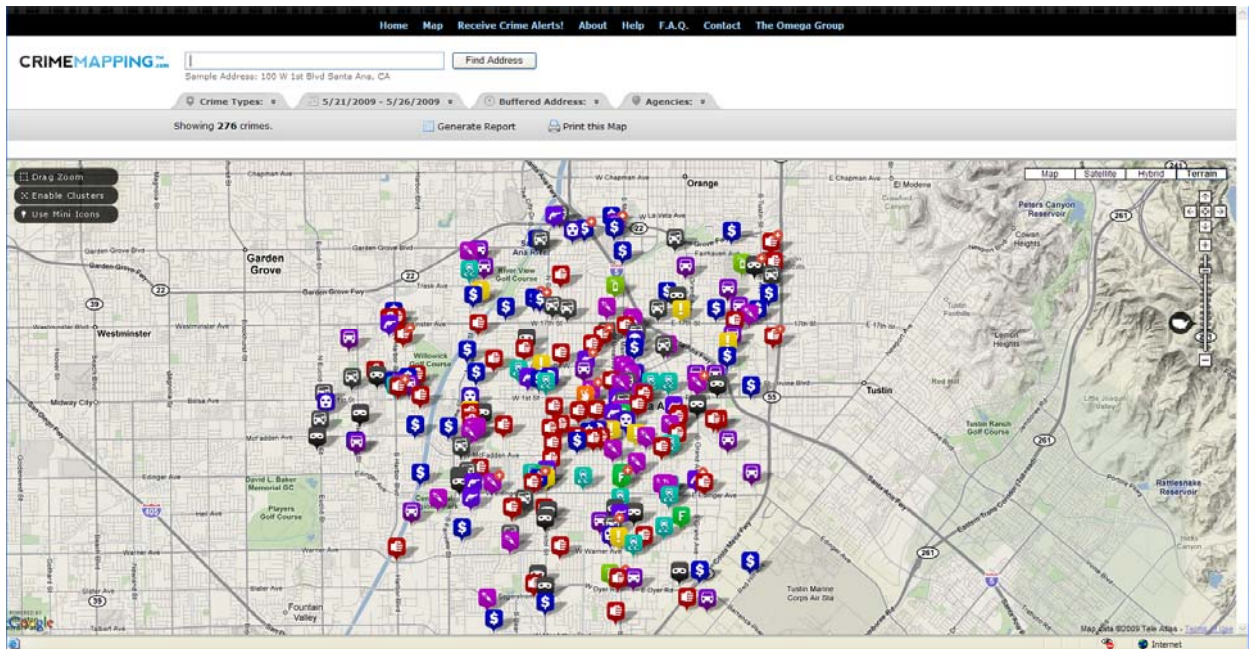
SANTA ANA POLICE DEPARTMENT POSTS CRIMINAL ACTIVITY INFORMATION ON-LINE

The Santa Ana Police Department has joined over forty (40) other Law Enforcement Agencies across the Country as a subscriber to Crimemapping.com. This portal is dedicated to helping Law Enforcement Agencies provide the public with valuable information about crime activity by neighborhood. Data transparency and a well informed public have always been essential elements in Santa Ana's fight against crime.

Anyone with access to the Internet can access Crimemapping.com and find up to date information about crimes that have happened in Santa Ana. The system utilizes a Geographic Information System (GIS) map to display icons representing fifteen (15) categories of crime within the neighborhood of occurrence. The person accessing the portal can click on the crime icon for information including the case number, date of incident, location, (within the 100 block) and description of the type of crime. It generally takes twenty-four (24) hours to get crime information uploaded to the system and it remains in place for six (6) days. Four (4) months of archived incidents are stored for ready access. The pictured icons represent actual crime reports not just calls for service received by the Police Department.

Any member of the public can also sign up to receive crime alerts. This additional service is free and provides customized reports via e-mail to any subscriber. Having well informed residents has been proven effective in reducing crime. The information provided through the Crimemapping.com portal is based upon the Crimeview product the Santa Ana Police Department uses internally for tracking and analyzing criminal activity.

We encourage the public to become familiar with this resource and use it to familiarize themselves with crime information in their neighborhoods and community. We believe that informed residents are more aware and better prepared to prevent crime. Visit Crimemapping.com for current crime information and to sign up for free crime alerts.



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