

# 警民『面對面』治安論壇 答問精華



**1** Irvine's e-bike safety problem is getting out of hand! On the Jeffrey's Trail during the holidays, many teenagers ride their e-bikes at high speeds with no regard for pedestrian safety, what should the police do to control this?

The Police Department's approach has been to increase education and enforcement; as you can see the Police Department has begun to enforce the law more frequently near many of the schools by stopping riders for not wearing helmets or for speeding, issuing tickets and providing verbal education; the tickets include the ability for young riders to attend the required riding safety education classes with their parents. The Police Department does not actively pursue these bicycles on the roadway because it does not want to create a hazard during the chase.

On the other hand, the police department hopes that parents do not just for the sake of convenience, or refused to children's requirements, in the absence of sufficient homework before the child's desire to buy their children the so-called "electronic bicycle"; many teenage children's ideal electronic bicycle is actually an electronic motorcycle, this vehicle is not only fast, dangerous, the vast majority of teenagers do not have a qualified license to drive this kind of vehicle; police department said that can legally run on the streets of Irvine must have a foot pedal can be stepped on, 750 watts, speed limit of up to 20 miles. The police department says that to be legal on Irvine streets, an e-bike must have a functioning foot pedal, be 750 watts, and have a speed limit of 20 mph or less.

**2** The City of Irvine's population is growing at a rapid rate. Does the Irvine Police Department have any plans to increase the number of police officers to meet the law and order challenges brought about by the rapid population growth? If the police force cannot be increased in the short term, are there alternatives?

The Irvine Police Department has been continuously accepting and looking for good officers.

**3** Is the City of Irvine's security surveillance system adequate to cover all neighborhoods, especially high crime areas?

We do not have a law and order surveillance system, and we only have camera equipment that allows us to view and foresee the scene from a distance. The police department has now installed license plate recognition systems at various public intersections, so that we can instantly track the direction of the vehicles in question.



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**4** How do the police handle reports of suspicious activities from the public? What is the normal response time?

If a suspicious incident is in progress and is reported to the police, the nearby patrol officers will be dispatched to the scene according to the dispatch center in accordance with the circumstances of the report in the area at that time; if the incident is reported after the fact, the police department will send patrol officers to the informant to record the report until the patrol officers have finished handling all the emergencies.

**5** What preventive measures or suggestions do the police have for crimes such as burglary and vehicle theft?

Cooperate with neighbors, frequent visits; or create a situation where there are people in the house; park your car in the garage.

**6** Recently, there have been cases of coyotes attacking young children playing in parks and old ladies walking their dogs! Late fall is a time of high COUOTY activity, can the police give advance warning or how to protect yourself if you are attacked?

There are no cases of coyotes attacking humans in Irvine, and previous reports have proven that the bites were from dogs owned by people; Irvine is home to many coyotes, so be sure to keep your dog on a leash within 6 feet when walking your dog, and recommend that people divert their paths slightly if they encounter coyotes loitering in the vicinity; coyotes loitering occurs when humans or pets are too close to their dens, and the mother will actively drive away or monitor the approaching species if there is still a cub in the den. If there are young coyotes in the den, the mother coyote will actively drive away or monitor the approaching species; if there is no way back, please try to make loud noises and make big movements to deter coyotes from

approaching; if you only focus on your cell phone while walking and don't pay attention to whether coyotes are approaching or not, it is easy to be too late to react. If you are walking on your cell phone and don't pay attention to the coyotes, you may not be able to react quickly enough. Also, try to clean up the backyards of residents' homes of fruits and dragon feed, so that coyotes don't become accustomed to coming into your home in search of food.

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- 7 We know that the 911 call is a police call. For us new immigrants, there is a language barrier when we want to report something to the police, and does the police have any interpretation service for non-English speaking residents who report to the police or seek assistance?

You can ask the dispatcher for "Chinese Please".

- 8 The City of Irvine Police Department claims to be understaffed and utilizes technology to enforce the law. Can you tell us what methods are being used to make up for the understaffing? Where does the term "understaffed" come from?

The Irvine Police Department has been keeping up with technology and what is possible as permitted by law; in addition to police equipment, the drone team should be the newest technological law enforcement team.

- 9 Are the Irvine campus police and the police department police officers part of the same police department? What is the difference in terms of law enforcement authority?

Yes, School Resource Officer (SRO) is also known as the School Resource Officer (SRO), the officers in this department work at the school during the school day, and return to the police station when students are dismissed from school and on vacation; their mission is not to provide school security or patrol, but rather to be helpers and advisors to the school, teachers, and students in the area of the law, and their job is to work with the school so that the children are aware of the law, and not to leave records that are hard to erase through curiosity or ignorance. Their job is to work with the schools so that children know the law and don't leave behind a record of curiosity or ignorance that will be difficult to erase and create a legacy.