## **PRESS RELEASE – CRIME TRENDS**

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Temple Station has the honor and responsibility for providing law enforcement services to the cities of Bradbury, Duarte, Rosemead, South El Monte and Temple City, and the unincorporated county communities of South San Gabriel, El Monte, Monrovia, Arcadia, Duarte, East Pasadena, and North San Gabriel. The statistics presented for the month of September have been provided for your review and comparisons.

The deputies and professional staff of Temple Station are committed to ensure your communities are kept safe by providing pro-active and contemporary law enforcement services. We strive to provide effective and timely delivery of service, but please reflect upon what you can do to help us keep you safe and your property secure.

The holidays are fast approaching and with the continued economic situation, thieves will be on the lookout for easy opportunities and targets. Take the time to assess your personal awareness when you are at home, work or shopping. Do not hesitate to report something or someone suspicious. Beware of opportunities which sound too good to be true. There are no legitimate "get rich quick" spiritual, religious or sales based programs. Do not get conned out of your hard earned cash by falling prey to a criminal, no matter how convincing they might sound or look. Call us immediately if you are offered such opportunities. An honest person or organization in most cases will be glad to cooperate and should not protest scrutiny of their claims or offers.

Burglary and auto theft continue to plague most of the communities in our jurisdiction. Please take the time to live, work and shop smart. Park in well-lit areas, lock doors and windows and keep valuables out of sight. These simple tips will become habit if you practice them from now on. In most cases you can avoid becoming a victim if you take the time to lock up.

Be on the lookout for your neighbors and local businesses too. If something does not look right, report it when you see it. Our response times may vary depending on the severity of other calls we are handling, but keep us informed. Be prepared to answer questions related to who, what, when, where. It is important to provide us with such information quickly, so we can effectively dispatch a radio car to the problem. Be assured, crimes in progress and other dangerous situations you report are being dispatched immediately, even when you are still talking to our desk personnel. Try to stay calm and answer the questions being asked by our desk and dispatch professionals. Being a good witness is extremely important. Even if a perpetrator manages to escape before we arrive, your good information will help us contain them or track them for arrest.

If you need to report an incident or would like some additional information concerning crime prevention or neighborhood/business watch programs, please call Temple Station at (626) 285-7171 or dial 9-1-1 for an emergency.

|                             |          |        |          |                |        | Unincorporated Areas |
|-----------------------------|----------|--------|----------|----------------|--------|----------------------|
|                             |          |        |          |                | Temple | SSG/EMC, MAD,        |
|                             | Bradbury | Duarte | Rosemead | South El Monte | City   | EPAS/NSG             |
| Rape                        | 0        | 0      | 1        | 1              | 0      | 0                    |
| Robbery                     | 0        | 2      | 3        | 3              | 0      | 3                    |
| Assault                     | 0        | 2      | 5        | 5              | 2      | 13                   |
| <b>Residential Burglary</b> | 1        | 5      | 13       | 1              | 14     | 13                   |
| <b>Commercial Burglary</b>  | 0        | 3      | 12       | 5              | 2      | 4                    |
| Grand Theft                 | 0        | 4      | 6        | 6              | 4      | 4                    |
| GTA                         | 0        | 7      | 20       | 9              | 2      | 11                   |
| Vehicle Burglary            | 0        | 3      | 12       | 4              | 0      | 10                   |

## **TEMPLE STATION SEPTEMBER 2013**