

2015-16 Civil Grand Jury  
Auto Burglary in San Francisco: **RESPONSES TO CGJ FINDINGS**

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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.A.2.	The SFPD's Crime Analysis Unit is characterized as "coming up to speed on the art and science of crime analysis," as it expands and learns to adequately support the Patrol Bureau Task Force and station captains.	District Attorney	NO RESPONSE	
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.A.3.	The Patrol Bureau Task Force pioneered a tactic of tracking serial offenders through multiple break-ins before making the arrest. While this tactic enables the possibility of bundling incidents for the DA, its benefit must be weighed against the harm done to victims prior to an arrest.	Chief of Police	agree with finding	
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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>F.A.4.</b>	Established in 2014, the DA's Crime Strategies Unit is staffed by ADAs who use analytic tools and neighborhood intelligence to predict where crime will occur. While the CSU is well respected by SFPD investigators, it does not replace a professional crime analysis capability integrated with the SFPD's CompStat program.	SFPD Deputy Chief of Operations	agree with finding	
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>F.B.1.</b>	The ADA must sometimes acquire video evidence to meet evidentiary standards after charges have been filed. This requirement distracts from what should be the primary focus -- preparing to prosecute.	SFPD Deputy Chief of Operations	disagree, partially	While forensic video can assist as additional evidence for prosecution, it is not required for prosecution. However, when forensic video is available, it is acquired by the investigating officer or unit. This function would not be undertaken by the attorney who is preparing to prosecute. Forensic video evidence, when available, currently is provided to the ADA in the presentation process.
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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>F.B.2.</b>	While the ADA works closely with arresting officers and post-arrest investigators on best practices for evidence collection, neither the best practices nor elements of the POST curriculum are incorporated into professional development classes specific to auto burglary in San Francisco.	SFPD Deputy Chief of Operations	disagree, partially	SFPD agrees that the Assistant District Attorney (ADA) works with arresting officers on best practices for evidence collection. SFPD has continuing professional development courses on investigating various crimes including auto burglaries. An example is SFPD's plain clothes course which provides instruction on various areas of investigations. They include, search warrant, surveillance, case management and case presentation among other disciplines. SFPD will review courses such as these to determine if additional instruction can be provided by the District Attorney's office to enhance cases for prosecution.

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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.C.1.	Complicated cases involving prolific auto burglars are specially handled by three different units: the reviewing ADA of auto crimes, the Gang Unit, and the Crime Strategies Unit. Each unit's unique perspective may impede the pooling of information needed to develop best practices for prosecuting organized criminals.	Mayor's Office of Public Policy and Finance	disagree, partially	Units that review cases are in frequent communication. Moreover, the unique perspectives of the reviewing ADA of auto crimes, the Gang Unit, and the Crime Strategies Unit improve collaboration and pooling of information to develop and implement best practices for prosecuting organized criminals.
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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.C.2.	The DA plans to adopt risk assessment software to help ADA's be more efficient and unbiased in their recommendations for bail and sentencing.	District Attorney	NO RESPONSE	
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.C.3.	While officials cite San Francisco's lenient sentencing and other factors as aggravating the property crime problem, no public safety entity aggregates data for San Francisco and adjacent jurisdictions that can be used to substantiate these claims.	District Attorney	NO RESPONSE	

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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.D.1.	The SFPD's 2014 annual report provides statistics that include "auto burglary" in the totals for Part 1 larceny/theft crimes, which obscures the size of the problem and the risk of being victimized.	Chief of Police	agree with finding	
	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.D.2.	Providing auto burglary data in SF OpenData provides transparency; however, the user has to have the analytical skills and the computer technology to manipulate the data.	Chief of Police	disagree, partially	SF OpenData is available to the general public and users of SF OpenData will have varying analytical skills and computer technology. City departments do not have the ability to gauge the individual analytical skills necessary to manipulate data on SF OpenData.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.D.3.	The format of the Public Safety Scorecard is highly informative because line graphs are used to visualize <i>rate</i> of auto burglary per 100,000 residents as opposed to totals of auto burglary incidents. The 22 percent increase for 2015 over 2014 better reflects the public's safety risks than do basic totals of incidents reported.	Chief of Police	agree with finding	
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.D.4.	While statistics for total cases filed and prosecuted provides transparency into the operational pace of the DA's Office, the public is currently interested in seeing numbers for cases filed and prosecuted for the City's top property crime today -- auto burglary.	District Attorney	agree with finding	

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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.E.1.	SFPD currently lacks online resources to inform residents of crime trends, safety tips to protect against victimization, injury, and property loss from crime	Chief of Police SFPD Deputy Chief of Administration	disagree with it, wholly	<p>SFPD does have resources and information that it provides to the public on these areas, including: SFPD's web site, SFPD's district station captain's newsletter, and district captain and community meetings. SFPD also partners with SFSafe to provide public information and crime tips to the community. The information and link to SFSafe is available on the department's web site.</p> <p>Created in 1976 as a project of the SFPD, San Francisco SAFE, Inc. (Safety Awareness for Everyone, SFSafe) is a community crime prevention and public safety program that works in cooperation with SFPD and other City agencies to help San Franciscans protect themselves from becoming victims.</p>
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.E.2.	Auto burglars take advantage of areas with restricted visibility, low light, fast escape and hiding places.	Mayor	agree with finding	<p>The Department of Public Works (DPW) incorporates principles of crime prevention in design, ongoing maintenance, and management of City property and public spaces. It is the responsibility of every division and employee to strive to create and maintain safe, clean, green and sustainable public spaces. DPW ensures adherence to principles of crime prevention by establishing annual performance plans at the beginning of each fiscal year and appraising performance near the end of each fiscal year. In project design and maintenance, staff have a holistic process that includes considering public safety (including visibility and lines of sight, landscape architecture, lighting (in conjunction with the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission), and accessibility to emergency services.</p>

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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>F.E.3.</b>	The SF Community Ambassadors Program has been well received by residents and merchants in the neighborhoods they have been deployed.	Mayor Mayor's Office of Public Policy and Finance City Administrator	agree with finding	The Community Ambassadors Program (CAP) was developed in 2010 to bridge tensions in the community due to cultural or linguistic differences. Administered by the Office of Civic Engagement & Immigrant Affairs (OCEIA), a division of the City Administrator's Office, this program was initiated by community leaders and advocates concerned about increased violence and ensuring public safety in high crime areas along major transit/business corridors. CAP partners with Alive and Free (formerly Omega Boys Club), local businesses, law enforcement, City agencies, schools and numerous community-based organizations. CAP's key goals are to: 1) promote safety and assist residents; 2) engage, educate and inform the public about safety practices and available city resources and programs; and 3) encourage collaboration, unity and civic participation by role modeling positive interactions and behaviors.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>F.E.4.</b>	Vigorous apprehension and prosecution of crime suspects acts as a crime deterrent to would be offenders and protects city residents and visitors/tourists.	Chief of Police	agree with finding	
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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>F.E.5.</b>	Tourists and visitors to San Francisco are the frequent targets of career criminals and organized criminal street gangs, damaging San Francisco's reputation and tourism industry.	No responding party assigned	disagree, partially	SFPD is considering the inclusion of "Visitor/Tourist" selection in SFPD Incident Reports to improve tracking and reporting of victims of crime. Beginning June 2017, Assembly Bill 953 requires officers to begin to collect other victim demographic information such as race, ethnicity, age, and gender, and availability of demographic victim data may provide additional opportunities to improve practices.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>F.F.1.</b>	Visitors/tourists, often targeted for crime, have unique needs that can often be foreseen and prepared for by victims' services organizations.	Mayor Mayor's Office of Public Policy and Finance	disagree, partially	SFPD is considering the inclusion of "Visitor/Tourist" selection in SFPD Incident Reports to improve tracking and reporting of victims of crime. Beginning June 2017, Assembly Bill 953 requires officers to begin to collect other victim demographic information such as race, ethnicity, age, and gender, and availability of demographic victim data may provide additional opportunities to improve practices. Improvements in policing includes consideration of the needs of all victims of crime, including visitors / tourists.

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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.F.3.	Establishing programs to prevent and deter crimes against visitors/tourists and to assist with immediate needs to those visitors/tourists who have been victimized is socially just and economically wise.	Mayor Mayor's Office of Public Policy and Finance	agree with finding	The law enforcement community establish programs to prevent and deter crimes and SFPD strives to improve policing practices to better serve all of San Francisco, including visitors/tourists.
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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.F.8.	The visitor's tab on sfgov.org, the City's Internet homepage, does not provide resources for visitors/tourists in distress.	Mayor Director of Department of Technology	agree with finding	
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	F.F.9	Visitor/tourist selection on SFPD Incident Reports should be a search/sort field for SFPD incident reports on datasfgov.org	Mayor Director of Department of Technology SFPD Deputy Chief of Administration	disagree, partially	While it might be informative to include "Visitor/Tourist" selection in SFPD Incident Reports, implementation will be complicated by victims choosing not to select the appropriate "Visitor/Tourist" designation. SFPD wants to ensure accurate or complete incident reporting in Incident Reports. Beginning June 2017, Assembly Bill 953 requires officers to begin to collect other victim demographic information such as race, ethnicity, age, and gender.

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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.A.1.</b>	Ensure the Patrol Bureau Task Force has adequate resources, including investigators, a dedicated crime analyst, and necessary vehicles, equipment, and technology to expand surveillance and apprehension.	Mayor's Office of Public Policy and Finance SFPD Deputy Chief of Operations	The recommendation has been implemented	FPD evaluates staffing levels of all divisions within the department as part of its budget development process each year. Staffing evaluation includes additional staffing and investigators to PBTF. SFPD has met with vendors and is evaluating additional equipment and technology to enhance the operations of PBTF that could be requested in connection with future budget requests. SFPD plans to allocate crime analysts to the investigations division which includes PBTF in the next three months.
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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.A.2.</b>	Expand the mission of the Crime Strategies Unit to meet the pressing need for regional intelligence about serial auto burglary. The intelligence should compare San Francisco arrest rates, sentencing outcomes, and recidivism rates to those of adjacent jurisdictions. The findings and recommendations should be collated into an annual report.	District Attorney	The recommendation has been partially implemented	The Crime Strategies Unit has initiated a number of operations to address the problem of auto burglary. Such operations have spanned across jurisdictions in the Bay Area and have incorporated local, state, and federal law enforcement efforts. The objective of said operations are to target serial auto burglars. To that end, regional intelligence collection on serial auto burglary is an ongoing endeavor and focus of the Crime Strategies Unit. However, an annual comparison report of arrest rates, sentencing outcomes, and recidivism rates between San Francisco and its adjacent jurisdictions is an unreasonable task for the Crime Strategies Unit. Though the unit has greatly enhanced its ability to analyze and assess regional police incident data through the acquisition of LEAP Network and partnership with the Northern California Regional Intelligence Center (NCRIC), prosecution data from adjacent jurisdictions is required to prepare a comprehensive and relevant report. The San Francisco District Attorney's Office conducts monthly audits and review of internal prosecution data, culminating in the monthly DASTat Report. It is unknown whether neighboring jurisdictions have the same data capabilities or capacity to contribute to a regional comparison report.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.A.3.</b>	Collaborate with the FBI to apprehend the most prolific regional auto burglars to bring federal charges.	Chief of Police	The recommendation has been implemented	SFPD collaborates with the FBI on federal charges. Currently, there are no federal laws that allow for the bringing of federal charges specifically for auto burglaries. SFPD is evaluating and discussing with the FBI federal charges for other violent crimes that have a correlation to the same suspects committing auto burglaries.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.A.3.</b>	Collaborate with the FBI to apprehend the most prolific regional auto burglars to bring federal charges.	District Attorney	This recommendation will not be implemented	Although federal criminal jurisdiction extends to a variety of motor vehicle theft related activities, the receipt, possession, sale, or disposition of a motor vehicle or property must cross a state or United States boundary after being stolen. Auto theft and auto burglary cases committed in San Francisco are predominantly local offenses that usually have little connection to interstate commerce and therefore fall outside the jurisdiction of the federal government.

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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.A.5.</b>	Create a plan to deploy a fully-resourced serial crimes investigative unit. The unit's mission would be to apprehend members of criminal gangs involved in robberies, burglaries, thefts, and larcenies. Staffing should include a captain, a lieutenant, several sergeants, and an appropriate number of officers.	Chief of Police	The recommendation has been implemented	SFPD has a serial crime investigative unit that tracks many serial criminals. In addition, SFPD evaluates staffing levels of all units to add additional investigators and officers as staffing levels within the department increase. SFPD currently has a captain that oversees lieutenants and investigators within the individual investigative units.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.B.1</b>	Expand the department's capability to meet all requests for video by the reviewing ADA for auto crime, including requests submitted after the case has been charged. (Civilians may be used for this purpose.)	SFPD Deputy Chief of Operations	The recommendation has been implemented	SFPD's district station captains ensure that supervisors, including investigative lieutenants and sergeants, review reports for accuracy and completeness during their daily shifts. Any required deficiencies identified by the ADA are corrected. Training is provided to officers when warranted. The commanding officer of the Investigations Division meets at least monthly with senior management at the District Attorney's office to discuss case presentation and deficiencies and provides feedback to district station personnel. The investigations division also holds frequent meetings with investigators and has integrated the District Attorney's office at the meetings for feedback, training, and discussion of cases and crimes.
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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.B.2.</b>	Require captains of district stations to: (i) keep track of common areas of deficiency for arrest reports and Evidence Packets (deficiencies as identified by the reviewing ADA for auto crime); and (ii) convey the information to the police Training and Education Division to aid in developing curriculum.	SFPD Deputy Chief of Operations	The recommendation has been implemented	SFPD's district station captains ensure that supervisors, including investigative lieutenants and sergeants, review reports for accuracy and completeness during their daily shifts. Any required deficiencies identified by the ADA are corrected. Training is provided to officers when warranted. The commanding officer of the Investigations Division meets at least monthly with senior management at the District Attorney's office to discuss case presentation and deficiencies and provides feedback to district station personnel. The investigations division also holds frequent meetings with investigators and has integrated the District Attorney's office at the meetings for feedback, training, and discussion of cases and crimes.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.B.3</b>	Require the SFPD Training and Education Division and DA's Criminal Division to co-create a professional development class on best practices for evidence collection in burglary cases.	SFPD Deputy Chief of Operations	The recommendation has been implemented	SFPD currently has continuing professional development courses such as the plain clothes course that aids in evidence collection in burglary cases. During the basic POST course curriculum taken by all sworn members, there is a curriculum and instruction on collection of evidence at burglaries. Additionally, SFPD trains basic course cadets and continuing professional education for veteran members on the collection of evidence (fingerprints, etc.) at the scene of an auto burglary for forensic analysis.
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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.C.1.</b>	Establish a serial crimes unit as a counterpart to the SFPD's Patrol Unit Task Force and its future serial crimes unit (R.A.5.). The unit's mission would be to prosecute cross-district, serial property crimes by organized career criminals.	District Attorney	The recommendation has been implemented	The Crime Strategies Unit works closely with the SFPD's Patrol Bureau Task Force and incorporates all functions and elements of a serial crimes unit. ADAs in the unit work with their district stations and specialized police units to identify major cross-district crime drivers who often fit the classification of an organized career criminal. CSU ADAs will either keep the case for vertical prosecution or follow the case closely to ensure that the identified crime drivers of auto burglary are prosecuted appropriately.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.C.2.</b>	Adopt data-driven risk assessments for use by the ADA in charging and encourage its criminal justice partners to consider a defendant's risk scores in decision-making throughout the adjudication process. This includes arraignment and sentencing negotiations.	District Attorney	NO RESPONSE	
	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.C.3.</b>	Expand the Crime Strategies Unit's mission to include the monitoring of factors affecting the prosecution of criminal street gangs operating in adjacent counties. The work product of the unit should include a database of indicators such as population densities, crime rates, arrest rates, and normalized sentencing outcomes for auto burglary and other property crimes.	District Attorney	The recommendation has been partially implemented	The Crime Strategies Unit has initiated operations partnering with law enforcement agencies in adjacent counties to target criminal street gangs. Information collected pertaining to criminal street gangs operating in adjacent counties will be restricted to an operational level of analysis. It is infeasible for the Crime Strategies Unit to maintain a macro level database of indicators concerning adjacent counties because we do not have ongoing access to detailed information from SFPD or any adjacent county to facilitate the data analysis suggested.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.C.4.</b>	The DA should require the Crime Strategies Unit to prepare an annual comparative analysis to be reviewed by the Sentencing Commission at a quarterly meeting.	District Attorney	The recommendation will be implemented	Contingent upon the successful acquisition of Crime Data Warehouse from SFPD. SFPD is solely in control of the Crime Data Warehouse. Absent a complete data set, any annual report would be incomplete and inaccurate. The DA's Office is currently in discussions with SFPD to obtain access to the Crime Data Warehouse. The DA's office is hopeful that access will be granted by December 2016.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.D.1.</b>	Ensure the annual report graphically shows totals of the auto burglary incidents as separate from "larceny/theft.	Chief of Police	The recommendation has not been, but will be, implemented in the future	SFPD can categorize incidents separately and will do so in the next annual report for FY 2016-2017.

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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.D.3.</b>	Modify the online incident report to include a required field for the victim to self-identify as "tourist," "visitor," or "resident." The data can be used to analyze demographics of victims.	Chief of Police	The recommendation requires further analysis	While it might be informative to include "Visitor/Tourist" selection in SFPD Incident Reports, implementation will be complicated by victims choosing not to select the appropriate "Visitor/Tourist" designation. SFPD wants to ensure accurate or complete incident reporting. Beginning June 2017, Assembly Bill 953 requires officers to begin to collect other victim demographic information such as race, ethnicity, age, and gender.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.D.4.</b>	Require the Crime Strategies Unit to prepare a comparative analysis of serial property crimes, arrest rates, and normalized sentencing outcomes for organized criminal gangs in San Francisco and adjacent counties.	District Attorney	This recommendation will not be implemented	It is unknown whether neighboring jurisdictions have the same data capabilities or capacity to contribute to a regional comparison report. (See R.A.2)
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.D.5.</b>	Require the District Attorney to present to the GAO the comparative analysis (R.D.4) and annual report (R.C.3.) of the crime strategies unit, including significant findings and recommendations.	GAO	has been and will continue to be implemented	The Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R.D.5 has been and will continue to be implemented as evidence of the comprehensive presentation of the District Attorney's Office at the September 1, 2016, Government Audit and Oversight Committee
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.E.1.</b>	Develop web-pages on the SFPD website containing information about crime advisories, crime prevention, safety resources, and services that SFPD offers.	Chief of Police SFPD Deputy Chief of Administration	The recommendation has been implemented	SFPD does have resources and information that it provides to the public on these areas, including: SFPD's web site, SFPD's district station captain's newsletter, and district captain and community meetings. SFPD also partners with SFSafe to provide public information and crime tips to the community. The information and link to SFSafe is available on the department's web site.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.E.2.a.</b>	Mayor: Direct and coordinate inter-departmental efforts;	Mayor	The recommendation has been implemented	The City, including the Mayor's Office and City departments, works collaboratively to improve crime prevention and deterrence. For example, the Public Safety Cluster consists of SFPD, Department of Public Health, Adult Probation Department, Juvenile Probation Department, Department of Children, Youth, and their Families, Parks and Recreation Department, San Francisco Unified School District, District Attorney's Office, Department on the Status of Women, Department of Child Support Services, Mayor's Office of Housing, and Department of Public Works. It aligns existing strategies with new opportunities that directly impact and reduce street violence. Additionally, the Street Violence Response Team convenes the Mayor's Office, SFPD, Department of Public Health, District Attorney's Office, and the San Francisco Unified School District to address the violence prevention and enforcement needs of San Francisco.



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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.E.2. b.</b>	Department of Public Works: Incorporate principles of crime prevention through environmental design into the ongoing maintenance and management of city property and open spaces;	DPW	The recommendation has been implemented	San Francisco Public Works incorporates principles of crime prevention in design, ongoing maintenance, and management of City property and public spaces. It is the responsibility of every division and employee to strive to create and maintain safe, clean, green and sustainable public spaces. Public Works ensures adherence to principles of crime prevention by establishing annual performance plans at the beginning of each fiscal year and appraising performance near the end of each fiscal year. In project design and maintenance, staff have a holistic process that includes considering public safety (including visibility and lines of sight, landscape architecture, lighting (in conjunction with PUC)), and accessibility to emergency services.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.E.2. c.</b>	Chief of Police: Collaborate with DPW and Planning to identify areas associated with auto burglary and other crimes for attention;	Chief of Police	The recommendation has been implemented	SFPD has ongoing discussions with various city agencies such as the Department of Public Works (DPW) and the Recreation and Parks Department (RPD) related to improvements to deter criminal activity. Examples include the implementation of warning signage around tourist hot spots and high crime areas that have been implemented and will continue.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.E.2.d.</b>	Planning Department: Include crime prevention through environmental design as part of the permitting process for government, commercial, retail, multi-residential, and mixed-use development.	Planning Department	The recommendation has been implemented	Many of the Planning Department's plans, policies, and urban design guidelines incorporate and reinforce commonly accepted safety by design principles by promoting "eyes on the street". Activating street frontages helps people survey and protect their streets and neighborhoods. In addition to the Planning Code requiring active uses at the ground floors of most new buildings, (which also specifies a minimum amount of transparency for commercial uses), the Planning Department routinely applies the Ground Floor Residential Design Guidelines to ensure residential ground floor units are designed to have direct engagement with the street. Bay windows, balconies, and front entry stoops are all building design elements routinely promoted by the design review in the Planning Department to provide active frontages, surveillance of the streets, adequate lighting, clear sightlines, and secured areas when not visible. These elements are all considered in the Planning Department's review of development. From the General Plan, to the Planning Code, to our design guidelines; these strategies are valued.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.E.3.a.</b>	Mayor and Mayor's Office on Public Policy and Finance: Authorize and Fund the office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs to expand the Community Ambassadors Program	Mayor Mayor's Office of Public Policy and Finance City Administrator	The recommendation requires further analysis	The Mayor's Budget Instructions are provided to departments in December of each year and the Mayor proposes a balanced two year budget the following June for consideration by the Board of Supervisors. The budget for the Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs will be considered in connection with the City's budget process for FY 2017-18 and FY 2018-19, as provided by the City Charter.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.E.3.b.</b>	Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs: Deploy Ambassador teams into high auto burglary neighborhoods to serve as a safe presence and a community resource. The program should include Golden Gate Park, Geary Blvd, Palace of Fine Arts, Fisherman's Wharf.	Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs	The recommendation requires further analysis	The Community Ambassadors Program (CAP) provides multiracial, multilingual Ambassador teams that act as a visible safety presence, engage the public, and interact with residents, transit riders, merchants, law enforcement, transit, schools and community based organizations. Ambassador teams are assigned to several transit/merchant corridors and neighborhoods in Supervisorial Districts 3, 6, 9, and 10, including Mid-Market, Civic Center, Tenderloin, Chinatown, Mission, Bayview, Dogpatch, Portola, Potrero and Visitacion Valley. Expansion into neighborhoods will be analyzed for feasibility and funding availability by the Mayor's Office and Board of Supervisors.

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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.E.3.c.</b>	Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs: deploy Ambassador events team into neighborhoods around special events such as street fairs, festivals, sporting events.	Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs	The recommendation requires further analysis	Ambassador teams are currently assigned to several transit/merchant corridors and neighborhoods in Supervisorial Districts 3, 6, 9, and 10, including Mid-Market, Civic Center, Tenderloin, Chinatown, Mission, Bayview, Dogpatch, Portola, Potrero and Visitacion Valley. OCEIA will deploy Community Ambassador teams as feasible and expansion into neighborhoods will be analyzed for feasibility and funding availability by the Mayor's Office and Board of Supervisors.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.E.3.d.</b>	Board of Supervisors: Support funding to expand the Community Ambassador's Program.	BOS	The recommendation has been implemented	Relative to Community Benefit Districts this recommendation has been and will continue to be implemented and expanded.
2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.E.4.</b>	In the case of crimes against tourists and visitors involving career criminals and criminal street gangs, collaborate and coordinate with the United States Attorney's Office for referral of appropriate cases for federal prosecution under. 18 U.S.C. 875, Interstate Commerce and 18 U.S.C. 521, Criminal Street Gang Enhancement.	Chief of Police	The recommendation has been implemented	SFPD collaborates with the FBI on federal charges. Currently, there are no federal laws that allow for the bringing of federal charges specifically for auto burglaries. SFPD is evaluating and discussing with the FBI federal charges for other violent crimes that have a correlation to the same suspects committing auto burglaries.
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2015-16	Auto Burglary in San Francisco	<b>R.F.2</b>	The visitor's tab on the San Francisco Gov.org homepage should contain information to assist visitors/tourists who are in need of victims assistance and other kinds of support services.	Mayor Director of Department of Technology SFPD Deputy Chief of Administration	The recommendation has been implemented	The San Francisco homepage provides connections to City services and general services, including support services, through the visitor's tab and help tab. For example, visitors can find Police services by linking from the homepage to the 311 Services Director and the 311 Customer Service Center. Through the San Francisco's Digital Services Strategy, the City promotes the development of new digital services to help improve the customer experience and makes services more accessible. The comprehensive service redesign streamlines the customer service experience and makes all services accessible and easy to use for everyone, including visitors in need of victims' assistance and other kinds of support services. Currently, the City is in the process of hiring of a new Chief Digital Services Officer, a senior technology leader for this Citywide initiative.

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