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Police Encourage Partiers to “Turn Down the Volume”

Riverside, CA -- Summertime brings family gatherings, school graduations, fraternity and sorority parties, and holiday celebrations. These events can greatly disrupt the tranquility of local neighborhoods, while diverting Riverside Police from more critical public safety calls. “We are urging potential partiers to turn down the volume this summer. It is not just a disturbance to neighbors; it is also a hazard to the safety of citizens and police,” said Lieutenant Larry Gonzalez of the Riverside Police Department. For these reasons, the Riverside Police Department will be actively enforcing general noise regulations of the Riverside Municipal Code during the summer months.

Usually, the police department responds to complaints of loud, offensive and excessive noise with a verbal warning and offenders are given a pamphlet about the consequences of loud disturbances. Additional responses within 15 days of the warning will result in a citation or an arrest. In addition, violators can be billed for police resources, such as all costs of personnel and equipment for the amount of time actually spent in responding to or in remaining at a loud or large party. “This can be very costly to persons in charge of these events,” Lieutenant Gonzalez said.

Residents of Riverside are encouraged to comply with noise ordinances related to loud parties, gatherings, or events so other neighborhood residents can enjoy their summer peacefully.

Please contact the on-duty Watch Commander, at (951) 353-7900, for further information.