

# Town of Apple Valley

## Code Enforcement



# Spring has sprung!



**“Talking Trash”**

**March 2016**

### Illegal Marijuana grow



On March 15 2016, Code Enforcement received a request from SBCSD Narcotics Marijuana Eradication Team to respond to a residence on Broken Lance for possible Code Enforcement violations. SBCSD was at the location under the authority of a search warrant. Officers observed trash and debris, inoperative vehicles, and parking on unapproved surfaces. Upon entering the residence, Officers observed the drywall cut from the floor to the ceiling with large gauge black wires exposed from an electric meter by-pass. There were several lights hanging from the ceiling with plants in various stages of growth in different rooms. On the kitchen counter there was wax paper with the substance “honey oil” that was extracted from the marijuana plants. The interior garage walls were covered with a white plastic type material and there were plants hanging from the ceiling with large black plastic bags around them. The residence was posted uninhabitable and the three subjects inside were issued citations for the code violations. Notices have also been sent to the property owner.

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#### Top “5” Code Violations in March

- Trash & Debris
- Illegal Dumping
- Graffiti
- Overgrown Vegetation
- Inoperative Vehicles

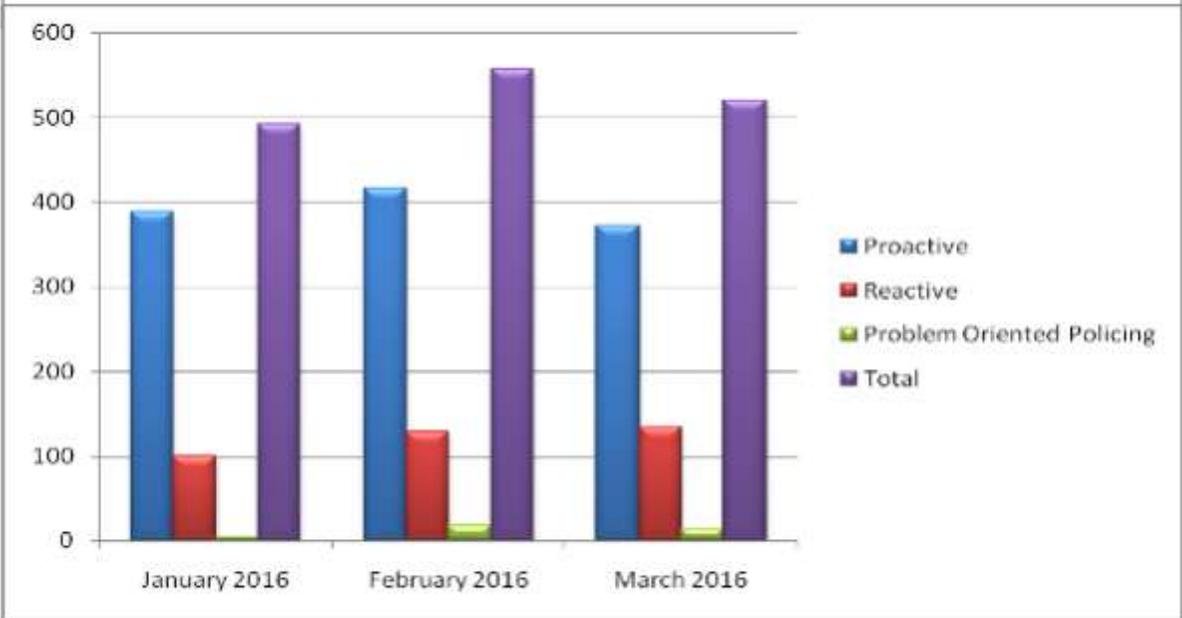
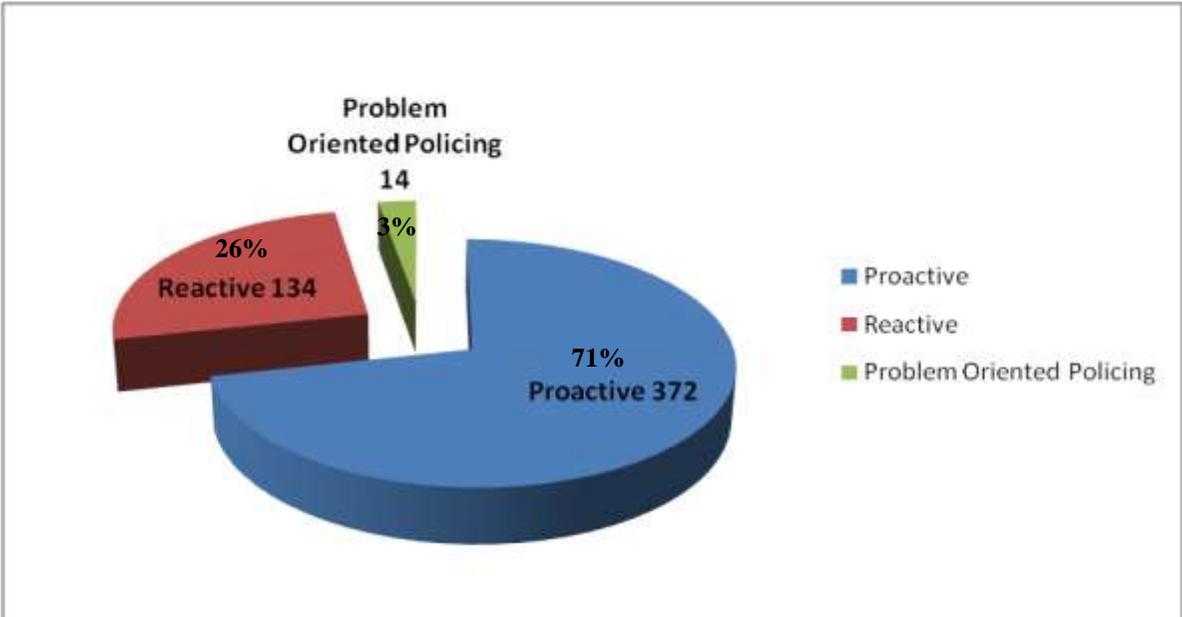
# Proactive and Reactive Cases

**372 Proactive Cases Were Opened by Officers**

**14 P.O.P. Cases Were Opened**

**Officers Responded to 134 Reactive Cases**

**520 Total Code Enforcement Cases Were Opened in March**



# Proactive and reactive cases



**138 Trash & Debris Cases**



**31 Inoperative Vehicle Cases**



**15 Commercial Vehicle Parking Cases**



**16 Fence Maintenance Cases**



# Property Maintenance Inspection

Total Number of Properties Inspected	108
Passed First Inspection	82
Fees Collected	\$7,390.00

The Town of Apple Valley created the PMI (Property Maintenance Inspection) Program, which has set the standard for all single-family and multi-family rental properties in Town. The program ensures that all rental property owners continually maintain their property, which benefits the tenants and owners.

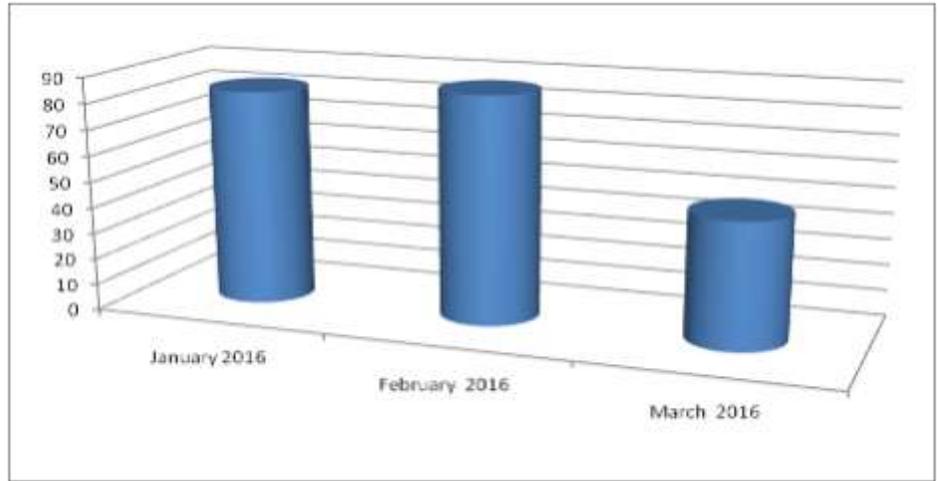


# Graffiti abatement program

The Town of Apple Valley offers an exceptional graffiti removal service town wide. This free color matched removal program eliminates the eyesore of graffiti and preserves the integrity of existing surfaces.

**48 graffiti cases were opened**

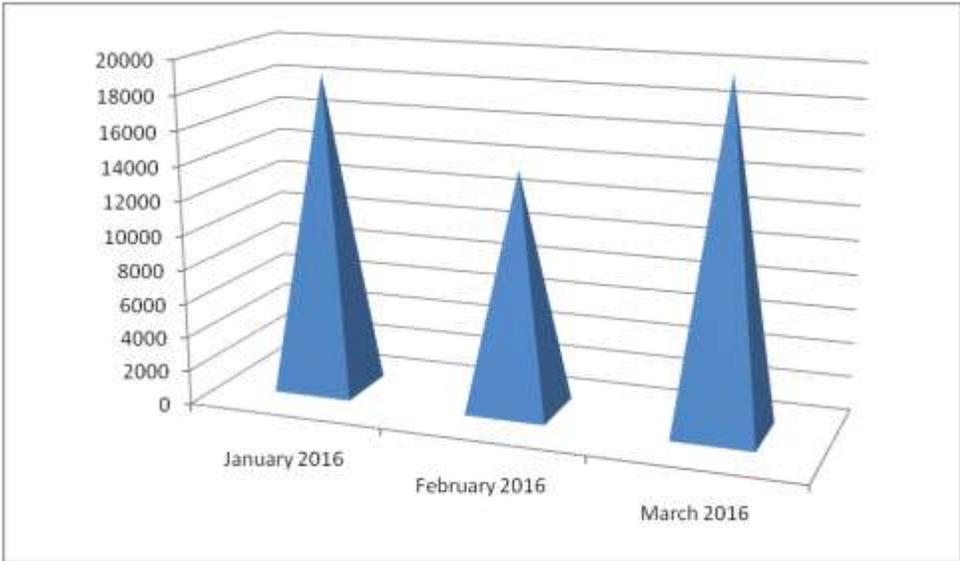
**85% of the graffiti cases opened in March were opened proactively by officers.**



# Community enhancement program

The Community Enhancement Crew consists of one part-time Community Enhancement Officer and multiple work release inmates from the San Bernardino County Jail. The Community Enhancement Crew removes illegal dumps from the desert when Code Officers cannot locate the individual(s) who dumped the items. They also assist with community enhancement events, Public Works, household hazardous waste and other functions throughout the town. The crew works on Saturday and Sunday.

**19,980 pounds of trash and debris was collected in March.**



# Code enforcement spotlight



On February 2, 2016, Code Enforcement responded to the 12700 Block of Waynoka on a complaint of a large amount of furniture in yard and a RV on the property with subjects living in it. On the Officers arrival they observed the trash and debris along with broken down fencing but no occupied RV. A property profile was obtained and notices were sent out to all involved parties.

On February 16, 2016, a follow up investigation was conducted at the location and the Officer observed that the violations remained present throughout the property. The Officer requested and obtained an abatement warrant. On March 14, 2016 Officers conducted a follow up and observed that both violations were abated under the abatement warrant.



# Code enforcement is on the web

## Want to find out what's going on in Code Enforcement?

- How to file a complaint
- Community enhancement events
- Graffiti abatement program
- Code Enforcement's monthly report
- Foreclosure Registration Form for real estate agents

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## Code enforcement Complaints welcome

Have you ever wondered why Code Enforcement hasn't addressed issues on your neighbor's property? Although Code Enforcement is proactive in searching for municipal code violations, 78 square miles is a large area to cover, and Code Enforcement Officers will not see everything. This is where you can help make Apple Valley a "Better Way of Life." If you see a violation, report it to Code Enforcement using one of the many available options.

When filing a complaint, your name, address and phone number are required. This information remains confidential and is used only for the Code Enforcement Officer to contact you for additional information or to update you on the case.

There are several methods available to file a complaint:

- Call Code Enforcement at (760) 240-7560
- Go to [www.AppleValley.org](http://www.AppleValley.org) and click on "Let us Know" at the top of every page
- Go to [www.AVCode.org](http://www.AVCode.org) and click on "Let us Know"
- Use the Government Outreach app for smart phones. Search the App Store or Marketplace for "GORrequest"

