



Oakland Police Department Media Team

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OPD News:

More than 500 Pounds of Illegal Fireworks Off Oakland Streets



For the second day in a row, the Oakland Police Department (OPD) is pleased to announce a significant seizure of illegal fireworks. While responding to a community member's call in the 1500 block of 6th Avenue, officers saw a group of individuals near a vehicle. The group immediately left the area after seeing the officers arrive. The quick-thinking officers continued to investigate the area and came upon a vehicle with a large quantity of illegal fireworks in plain view.

The officers towed and impounded the vehicle for the unlawful possession of dangerous fireworks. The recovered stash of illegal fireworks weighed just over 560 pounds.

Although no arrests have been made and no suspects have been taken into custody at this time, OPD remains committed to ensuring public safety. The confiscated fireworks have been turned over to the Oakland Fire Department (OFD) for proper disposal.

OFD has set up firework collection barrels for residents to surrender unused fireworks at the following locations:

- **Station 1:** 1603 Martin Luther King Jr. Way
- **Station 3:** 1445 14th Street
- **Station 4:** 1235 International Boulevard
- **Station 5:** 934 34th Street
- **Station 18:** 5008 Bancroft Avenue
- **Station 20:** 1401 98th Avenue

If you know someone or see someone in possession, selling, and/or lighting fireworks, please call the **Fireworks Tip Line at 510-238-2373**.