GRAFFITI REPORTING PROCESS:

If you decided to take photos of the vandalism, please send the photos to me sholden@pd.sandiego.gov without photos, there is NO EVIDENCE and NO CASE.

GRAFFITI TRACKER INFORMATION:

Graffiti Tracker is comprehensive, web based system design to help document, track, and seek restitution from suspects.

Urban Corps is contracted with the City of San Diego for graffiti removal on both private and public property. Urban Corps uses Graffiti Tracker to photograph and document graffiti related crimes using a GPS camera. After the graffiti is documented with a photograph it's painted over.

I use graffiti tracker on a daily basis as an investigative tool to identify cases and hold suspects accountable for the graffiti crime they committed.

Here is one example on how graffiti tracker helped me on a recent case from Mid-City Division.

A patrol officer arrested a juvenile for tagging "SALEM" on a City of San Diego light pole. The juvenile was released to his parents and the damage to the light pole was estimated at \$148.75 using the City of San Diego Graffiti Abatement Matrix.

I was assigned the case to investigate and send to the Juvenile District Attorney for prosecution. I conducted a Graffiti Tracker search using "SALEM" and located 80 Graffiti Tracker cases where it was maliciously written. I charged the juvenile for the 80 outstanding cases. The total damage for the 80 cases was \$13,375 dollars.

If you see GRAFFITI ON PRIVATE or PUBLIC PROPERTY please call the URBAN CORPs at 1-800-829-6884. This is also a message line. Leave the same message of time and location of the graffiti on private property. You can also email mojeda@urbancorps.org for removal.

The City of San Diego and the Urban Corps both have GRAFFITI TRACKER cameras. We used the graffiti tracker to track the graffiti vandalism around the City and County of San Diego. Please call the number and report the graffiti. They will take the photos and remove within 48 hours.

If you have any question or comments feel free to call me or send me an email.

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