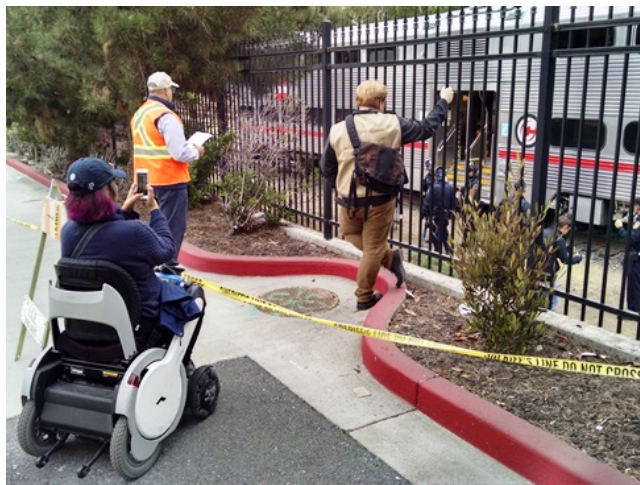




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Safety Highlights

Caltrain conducted its annual emergency preparedness exercise in South San Francisco October 12th involving local Emergency Response agencies along the Caltrain corridor. The Caltrain Transit Police collaborated with agencies from within San Francisco County and San Mateo County for this exercise. Training on the rail equipment was provided by Caltrain employees so the Emergency Responders could familiarize themselves with equipment and best determine train entry and egress during the exercise. Three slightly different scenarios were utilized for each of the three practice sessions.



In this exercise, an observation staging area was set up next to the train so that individuals with disabilities participating as observers could watch the events unfold and provide feedback. As a result of this exercise, local public safety agencies along the Caltrain corridor are better prepared to assist Caltrain passengers and employees in the event of an emergency.

Education

Rail Safety Presentations/Activities	City	Attendees
LifeMoves Shelter	San Mateo	25
San Mateo County Suicide Prevention Committee	San Carlos	15



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Enforcement

Event	OCT 2016	YTD 2016	OCT 2015	YTD 2015
Felony and Misdemeanor Arrests (all)	13	183	31	144
Parking Citations	453	3298	254	2760
Traffic Citations	78	459	80	429
All Other Infraction Citations (including trespassing)	129	810	122	802
Ejections/Contacts: Train, Station, Right of Way	21	231	51	396
Proof-of-Payment Citations	34	692	130	1347
Crisis Interventions w/ Emergency Commitments	4	29	6	34
Total Calls For Police Service	774	8168	1031	9875

Significant Events

Oct. 1 – Oct. 30: During this period the Transit Police conducted monthly High-Intensity Strategic Enforcement Program (HISEP) initiatives targeting education and enforcement in locations where people may engage in unsafe behavior.

- The Transit Police cited 101 persons for safety violations as part of the HISEP effort.
- The Transit Police responded to five reports of persons trespassing on the Caltrain right of way. In each instance, the persons were cited and released.

Oct. 1 – Oct. 31: Transit Police responded to one report of an intoxicated person at the Burlingame Caltrain Station. The person was arrested and booked into county jail.

Oct. 1 – Oct. 31: Transit Police continued several enforcement measures in association with the special baseball train service to ensure the safety of all Caltrain passengers, crewmembers, and visitors.

Oct. 1 – Oct. 31: The Transit Police conducted routine security checks at various Caltrain stations. As a result, three persons were arrested on outstanding misdemeanor warrants and one person was arrested on an outstanding felony warrant. In each instance, the person was booked into county jail.



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Bike Thefts:

- Oct. 1 – Oct. 30: During this period the Transit Police deployed special details to deter bicycle thefts at various Caltrain stations. The Transit Police hopes to heighten customer awareness regarding bicycle thefts and theft of personal property.
- Oct. 1 – Oct. 31: The Transit Police received 11 reports of bicycle thefts from various Caltrain stations. The largest number of thefts (three) occurred at the Palo Alto Caltrain Station.
- Oct. 8: The Transit Police provided extra security at the Stanford Caltrain Station in Palo Alto for the Stanford football game. One person was contacted on the right of way for trespassing and was found to be in the possession of a stolen bicycle. The individual was arrested and booked into county jail. The owner of the bicycle was contacted and the bicycle was returned.

Oct. 1 – Oct. 31: Transit Police received three reports of vehicle burglaries from the South San Francisco Caltrain Station and four reports of vehicle vandalism from the South San Francisco and San Mateo Caltrain Stations. Transit Police recovered two stolen vehicles from the San Jose Diridon Caltrain Station and the San Francisco Caltrain Station.

Oct. 7: The Transit Police responded to the Belmont Caltrain Station on a report of an adult male who was having suicidal thoughts. The person was located, taken into protective custody, and transported to emergency psychiatric care.

Oct. 16: The Transit Police responded to the San Jose Diridon Caltrain Station on a report of an adult male who was acting erratically and was unable to care for himself. The person was located, taken into protective custody, and transported to emergency psychiatric care.

Oct. 27: The Transit Police responded to the San Francisco Caltrain Station on a welfare check for an adult female who was acting violently and was unable to care for herself. The person was located, taken into protective custody, and transported to emergency psychiatric care.

Oct. 28: The Transit Police responded to the San Jose Diridon Caltrain Station regarding a report of an adult male who was acting erratically and was unable to care for himself. The person was located, taken into protective custody, and transported to emergency psychiatric care.

Engineering

Maintenance of Way

- Installed 230 tons of new main line ballast and surfaced 17,720 Lineal Feet of main line track
- Completed 18 Thermite welds in the main line track, eliminating rail joints along the running rail
- Installed 120 new Pandrol Plates with elastic fasteners on wood ties, these help restrain the rail in curve track areas (below is a Caltrain turnout with Pandrol Plates)



- Installed 295 9-foot wood ties along the main line and in the South San Francisco Yard

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- Fencing repairs were completed at seven locations including Marin Street in San Francisco (shown below are before and after photos) restricting access to our property to enhance security and safety



- Completed right of way cleanup of areas, including the 16th Street Grade Crossing



- Hand Tamping of Switch #9535 in South San Francisco Yard, this is State of Good Repair work on switches, which is part of our Safety Management System



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Communications & Signal

- Evaluated the North Pedestrian Crossing at Sunnyvale in collaboration with JPB Safety and TASI Operations, after reports that pedestrian gates were not recovering (returning to the open position); adjusted the Signal Island Circuit north to insure the gates would recover as designed to allow passengers to safely cross the tracks



Aligning the Bombardier consist with the posted Spot Cab Sign

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Pedestrian Gates recovered in the up position allowing passengers to cross the tracks

Stations

- Continued focus on the Station of the Month – **Atherton**
- Repainted the outside platform and refreshed all platform markings, which identify safety boundaries



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- Replaced the wooden sign posts with galvanized steel posts along the platform

