

GLENDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

131 N. Isabel Street, Glendale CA. 91206

OFFICIAL NEWS RELEASE

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Chief of Police

Vandalism Hate Crime and Investigation

June 9, 2023

For Immediate Release

Glendale, CA – On the afternoon of June 9, 2023, a Glendale Police Officer was hailed down by the victim of an act of hateful vandalism.

The victim told officers the incident occurred in the 600 block of East Lomita Avenue in Glendale. He stated he parked his car last night at approximately 9:00 pm. He returned this morning and found his car had been "keyed." Scratches were on the passenger side, the rear panel, the roof, and the hood.

"IT'S OK TO BE QUEER," "PRIDE," "STOP HATING," and *"LGBTQ"* were among the phrases etched into the paint in various parts of the car (PHOTOS INCLUDED, PAGE 2). Additionally, a derogatory word used to attack those of Armenian descent was carved into the vehicle's hood.

Detectives from the Glendale Police Department Robbery/Homicide Unit, which investigates hate crimes, immediately began an investigation. The car is currently in police custody undergoing Forensics testing.

The investigation is active and ongoing.

The Glendale Police Department stands with our community against all hate. We are committed to protecting those who live, work, or visit Glendale and maintaining a safe and inclusive community.

We ask anyone with information to contact the Glendale Police Department immediately by calling 818-548-4911.

To remain anonymous, call the L.A. Regional Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (800-222-8477) or go directly to www.lacrimestoppers.org.


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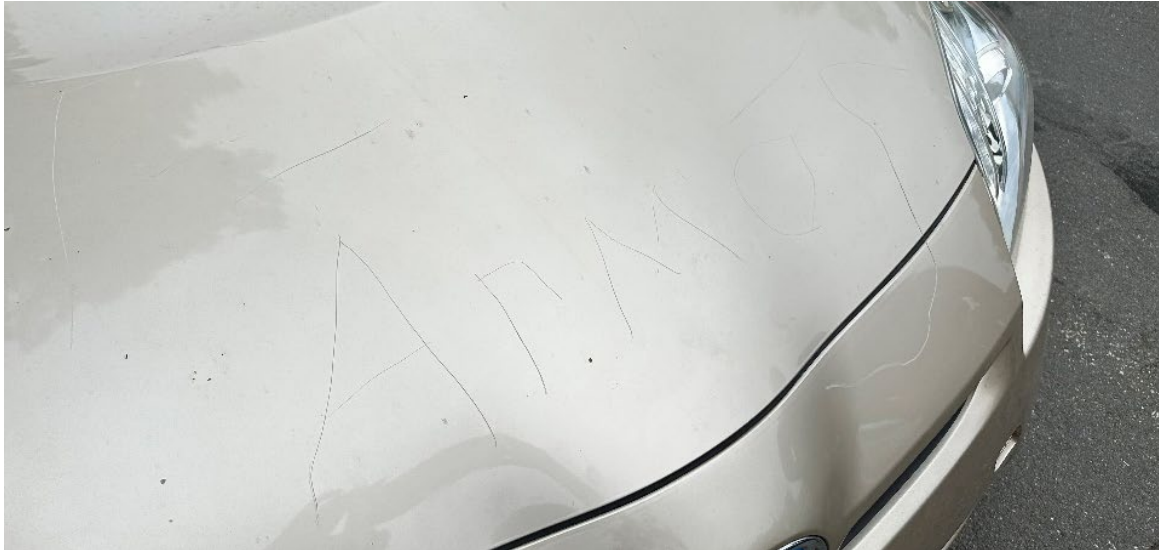
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