



Since **San Diego** was designated as America's largest **Coast Guard City** in 2017, your **Guardians of the Southwest** have:

Conducted 7,600+ total Missions

Carried out 2,000+ Law Enforcement cases

Saved more than 710 lives

Seized \$105 Million of Illicit Narcotics

Assisted over 2,300 people

Saved more than \$6 Million in property

Completed 1,910+ Search and Rescue cases





U.S. Coast Guard Sector San Diego (SSD)

Sector Commander: CAPT Jim Spitler

Deputy: CDR Ellen Motoi

CMC: MKCM Michael Dioquino

	Officers	Warrant	Enlisted	Civilian	Total	Mailing Address
A/D Billets:	43	18	263	11	335	2710 N Harbor Dr San Diego, CA 92101
Reserve:	18	3	122	0	143	AOR: 165,912 sq. mi.
Total Personnel Onboard					478	
Auxiliary Personnel in AOR					~600	
*Numbers do not include 12 contractors and transient personnel (ranges from 5 to 43 daily)						

Operational Assets & Sub-Units:

- 3x MH-60Ts;
- Station San Diego: (41 A/D, 23 Res)
 - OiC: BMC Wishnoff
 - 2x 45-ft RB-Ms; 2x33-ft SPC-LEs
- Aids to Navigation Team (ANT) San Diego: (5 A/D)
 - OiC: BM1 Joshua Peters
 - 1x 26-ft TANB
- Three 87-ft WPBs: (11 A/D per cutter)
 - CGC HADDOCK: [Homeport: Sector SD]
 - CO: LTJg Greg Burnham
 - CGC PETREL: [Homeport: Ballast Point]
 - OiC: BMCS John Lowell
 - CGC SEA OTTER: [Homeport: Ballast Point]
 - OiC: BMCM Jay Galazin
- TENANT units: HSWL, ESD & PADET



Significant Events & Statistics for CY 23 to date

(Continuing 250% Increase in Illicit Maritime Activity over Last 2 Years along MBL with No Significant Increase in Mission Support)

Command Advisory Staff:

Public Affairs & Distinguished Visitors / Community Engagements:

- ❖ Hosted 65 events for strategic partnerships and community engagements to include: DOD's Joint Civilian Orientation Conference, multiple foreign delegations (Israel, South Korea, Germany, Austria, Peru), Drug Control Policy execs, and 10 recruiting events
- ❖ San Diego is designated as America's largest Coast Guard City.

Joint Harbor Operations Center (JHOC):

- ❖ A premier example of DHS cooperation with Federal, State, and local maritime stakeholders. Provides Command & Control capability for region with physical collocation of CG, BP, SD Harbor Police, and California National Guard Counter-Drug Program.

Sector Intelligence:

- ❖ Generated 220 Field Intelligence Reports (most of any Sector), provided 52 in-chop briefs to visiting cutters/crews, provided critical analytic to the ReCoM Intelligence Group, analyzing over 2,777 sighting reports to improve Maritime Domain Awareness.

Emergency Management Force Readiness:

- ❖ Led Area Maritime Security Committee oversight of \$1.6M in grants awarded to the San Diego region for four security enhancements to safeguard facilities and the Tier-1 Strategic Port of San Diego.
- ❖ Certified 24 new ICS qualifications and executed 12 different exercises covering Mass Migration/Mass Rescue Operations, various natural disasters, oil spills, and the Unmanned Surface Vessel threat.
- ❖ Managed 143 Reservists and oversaw the activation of 30 members in support of four different national emergencies.

Prevention:

- ❖ Conducted 114 Foreign Vessel Exams, 10 Facility Safety and MTSA Inspections, and supervised 15 Explosive Load Outs.
- ❖ Conducted 1076 Domestic Vessel inspections, incl Tier 1 SPVs.
- ❖ Approved 115 Marine Event Permits; published 6 Safety/Security Zones & Special Local Regulations including SEAR 2 Big Bay Boom Marine event; largest fireworks display on west coast.
- ❖ Conducted 140 Marine Casualty Investigations, issued 03 LOW (in lieu of S&R), 3 NOVs, & 40 Suspension & Revocation activities; conducted preliminary investigations for 22 illegal charters.
- ❖ Completed three investigations into illegal discharge of oily bilge water on deep draft vessels resulting in two felony convictions, \$1.1M fine and 1 year in prison for one case. Two other cases have ongoing criminal investigations.

Prevention (Cont.):

- ❖ Illegal charter Operation Afternoon Delight: 30 weekends of support, 120 patrol hours. Prosecuted 60+ boardings from STA SD resulting in 7 enforcement actions against operators.
- ❖ Administered Alternate Compliance Program for three NASSCO-built MSC vessels scheduled to deliver in CY22/early CY23; valued at \$2 Billion.

Response:

- ❖ Prosecuted 219 SAR cases: 182 lives saved, 482 lives assisted, ~\$563K in property saved, and \$3.17M in property assisted.
- ❖ Supported CCR ReCoMs to seize 1,200 lbs of narcotics (street value of \$10M) & apprehend 2,100 undocumented non-citizens/smugglers.
- ❖ Daily Maritime Boundary Line Operations: (WMECs, WPBs, FRCs, Station, SBT, MSRT-W, MSSTs), including patrols by SBT in Eastern AOR w/ National Park Service and state LE partners.
- ❖ IMD responded to 204 cases, yielding 11 Federalized cases (\$87k project costs) and 10,128 gallons of pollutants removed.
- ❖ Led 15 multi-day ReCoM operations to combat Transnational Crime Organizations in the CCR; 10% increase in apprehensions and 110% increase in deterred smuggling vessels.
- ❖ The Southern California Maritime Domain Awareness Innovation Cell: groundbreaking initiative to fuse together DHS, tech industry and academia; resulting in 50 mission enhancing technology tests.

Logistics & Engineering:

- ❖ Facilities Engineering maintained a 154,000 square foot campus on 28 acres across three sites to include pre-World War 2 buildings.
- ❖ Naval Engineering provided troubleshooting and repairs to six subunits & visiting cutters, supported PACAREA AUF deployments and conducted surface unit inspections incl RFO, TSTA and SMART.
- ❖ Aviation Engineering maintained aircraft while crewing every operational mission with the same personnel. 32,000 hrs of labor produced fleet-leading flight hours flown amongst equivalent units. Was the only aviation unit to support critical USCG fast roping and aerial gunnery capabilities.
- ❖ Produced the Military Times Coast Guard Member of the Year, AST1 Josh Carlson, who was meritoriously advanced at CGHQ by the Commandant for his heroic rescues and outstanding performance.