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Installation of Mobile Cameras to Combat Crime Has Begun

Councilman Zine's office is working with the LAPD on the project.

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With property crime of key concern in the Valley, Councilman Dennis Zine's office and the LAPD have taken a new step to help combat the problem: the installation of mobile cameras to detect and deter criminal activity. According to the Councilman's office, the cameras are currently being set up and installed throughout the area.



LAPD Senior Lead Officer Rob Trulik of the West Valley Division [spoke about the project at a recent Tarzana neighborhood council meeting](#).

A spokesperson at the Councilman's office, Jessica Tarman Nassour, told Patch that the work was underway.

"In early November, Captain Brascia at the Topanga Division informed our office that the equipment had arrived and that the installation had begun," Nassour said in an email. "Their goal is to complete the project around the middle of December."

The project was approved by the board of the Los Angeles Police Commission earlier this year, to be installed in the West Valley and Topanga areas of CD3, which is represented by Councilman Zine.

According to a press release issued by the Councilman's office, the LAPD first raised the possibility of the cameras with a request in October 2008. In 2010, the City Council approved the Councilman's request to use CD3 funds to purchase the cameras for use by the LAPD.

The West Valley Area and Topanga Area Stations will both receive a wireless camera surveillance system of eight cameras each, to be installed where needed throughout the area.

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