

Safe Party Planning:



Don't Get CAPPed!

In an effort to curb noise complaints and encourage party-givers to have safe and responsible parties, the San Diego Police Department implemented the Community Assisted Party Program (CAPP). Loud parties can get your house CAPPed, which could mean you would not be allowed to have parties for one year. Your house can be CAPPed for a variety of reasons including: excessive noise, littering, public drunkenness, underage drinking, illegal parking and increased traffic.

The San Diego city ordinance defines an unruly gathering as "a gathering of five or more persons on any private property (including property used to conduct business), in a manner which causes a disturbance of the quiet enjoyment of private or public property by any person or persons." Disturbances include, but are not limited to:

- Excessive noise or traffic
- Obstruction of public streets by crowds or vehicles
- Drinking in public
- Consumption of alcohol by minors
- Fighting• Disturbing the peace
- Littering

For more information, contact the San Diego Police Department at (858) 531-2000.

Be a Courteous Neighbor & a Responsible Host

- Keep guest lists and noise to a minimum.
- Know your guests: It is illegal to provide alcohol to anyone underage, even if you did not realize they were at your party.
- Respect your neighbors' property and inform your guests that you expect them to do the same.
- Alert law enforcement if there are early signs that a party is getting out of control.
- Schedule a post-party cleanup for the next day.

If alcohol is being served:

- Ensure that all guests have a designated driver or a designated cab. College Cab is available at (619) 291-3333.
- Have a car key check stand.
- Take steps to ensure that guests under the age of 21 do not have access to alcohol.
- Serve high protein low-salt food and a variety of non- alcoholic drinks throughout the night.
- Avoid drinking games.
- Allow guests to spend the night if necessary.
- If a neighbor calls with a complaint while your party is in progress, resolve the issue promptly.

Note: Prior notification to neighbors about a party will not excuse a homeowner or tenant from receiving a CAPP if that party violates the Unruly Gathering Ordinance.

What to Do if You're Over 21 and Plan to Drink:

Identify Your Goals

If you choose to drink and are of legal age, you may want to explore new ways of reducing the risk of harm to yourself or others. First, consider what your goals are if you choose to drink.

I plan to...

- have fun with my friends.
- meet new people. • be more outgoing.
- remember what I did.

I do not plan to...

- throw up.
- black out.
- be hung-over.
- get arrested.
- embarrass myself.
- get in a fight.
- be taken advantage of.

Check out www.sandiego.gov for more information about other alcohol policies, the city's no smoking ordinance (43.1001-43.1010) and the social host ordinance (56.60-56.63).