



Valley CPC Annual Report 2020

Purpose of the Valley Command Area CPC

The mission of the Valley Area Command Community Policing Council is to promote inclusive, respectful, supportive, and cooperative interactions between diverse members of the community and the Albuquerque Police Department to ensure necessary reforms are met and sustained.

Diversity Statistics of Voting Members

Sex:

Male 1	Female 6
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Race:

Native American	2
Anglo	4
Anglo/Asian	1

Age (in years):

25-34	2
35-44	1
45-54	0
55-64	0
65 +	4

Education:

14 years	
16 years	5
18 years	
18 years +	2

Language:

English Only	7
Bilingual (English/Spanish)	0

Military:

Active	0
Veteran	0

Members (as of January 2021).

Rowan Wymark, Edwina Kiro, co-chairs, Erin Cohen secretary, Talia Sledge, Randi Oliver, Jacqueline Ritz, and Tom O'Keeffe

Meetings

Month	Topic and/or Guest Speaker	Attendance
January	Discussion on Community Policing	14
February	No Meeting*	
March through July	No meetings due to Covid-19	
July	Panel Discussion concerning the newly formed Albuquerque Safety Department	51
August	Panel Discussion concerning Officer Training	36
September	Panel Discussion concerning Mental Health and the Community	24
October	Panel Discussion concerning Juvenile Justice	26
	No meetings for November and December	
January	Presentations concerning APD Police Chief search and the Monitor's recent report (IMR 12)	34
February	Panel Discussion concerning the APD External Force Investigation Team	30

Other Meetings, Forums and Events

Meeting Topic or Type	Number of Meetings	Members in Attendance
City Council Meetings	24	1
MHRAC	12	1
Amici – APD Compliance Bureau	3	2
CPC Summit	1	6
Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association	12	1
Bernalillo County Sherriff’s Office	12	1
Downtown Echo Meetings	6	2
FBI Alumni Association	3	2
Neighborhood Association Meetings	12	3
Mayor’s Homeless Advisory Committee	5	1
Amici Meetings	3	2
North Valley Coalition	1	1
CPC Ordinance Meeting	1	1
ABQ Volunteer Internship Program	1	1
CPC Council of Chairs	12	2
CPC Strategic Planning Committee	4	2
Native American Indian Women’s Association	4	1
Other Area Command CPC General Meetings	7	3
All Faiths Event at APD	1	1
Neighborhood Watch Safety Meeting	1	1
Criminal Justice Reform Subcommittee on Police Accountability	1	1
CPC Meeting with DR Rickman	1	2
Re-Imagining Public Safety for ABQ	1	1
Office of Emergency Management	1	1
CPO Policies and Procedures Subcommittee Meeting	1	1
Mayor Keller State of the City	1	1

Achievements

Our panel presentations have worked well, and we are planning to continue with them, though we also plan to have individual presenters as well. The Zoom/webinar format has been effective as it has increased our attendance, though there is still considerable room for improvement. Our membership has increased to seven people with an eighth one pending. The new CPOA partnership has made a

difference. We now have a budget, a liaison who in turn has an administrative assistant. We are working hard on reaching out to various community newsletters and through social media sites to publicize our meetings and are achieving some success.

Lessons Learned

We’ve come to realize how important it is to meet and strategize our monthly meetings ahead of time. Currently we’re doing well on this even though at times it can be challenging to orchestrate times and days. Despite our outreach attempts it has proved to be challenging to increase attendance to higher numbers. We would probably do better if we attended some neighborhood association meetings, but there a lot of them in our command area, as indeed there are in other command areas, but we can work on a way of getting to a few of them at least. We are beginning to plan our meetings for two to three months in advance and that has helped with publicizing the meetings and finalizing presenters/panel participants.

Recommendations

<u>Recommendation</u>	Status
That APD area commander tenure be set at At least three years to provided consistent leadership in order ensure consistency at each substation and to decrease transfer requests	Submitted
That applicants to the academy have at least 6 hours of college credits (community college or undergraduate) so as to have some familiarity with post-high school education	Planning stages
That all officers receive an annual performance review so as to ensure quality of service.	Planning stages
That officers carry with them cards with listed resources for at risk youths to help with access to services, etc.	Planning stages
That academy cadets receive expanded training in APD/Public interactions so as to help with community relationships.	Planning stages