# ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT SEPTEMBER 2012





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# **APD Notables...**

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#### Southeast Area Command...

- On September 28, Officer Jacoby worked a directed activity with Adult Felony Probation and Parole. During this time, 15 house visits were completed, resulting in the issuance of a felony warrant and subsequent arrest.
  - On September 13, Team 10 conducted a bus stop tactical plan. Officers in plain clothes rode City buses along Central Avenue. Officers identified several subjects who were committing crimes near the New Mexico State Fairgrounds. Two subjects were arrested for outstanding felony warrants.

On September 20, the Southeast PRT Team along with Eastside Narcotics conducted a bus stop tactical plan near the New Mexico State Fairgrounds. Officers rode buses and arrested six subjects on drug-related crimes. APD Street Gang units identified two subjects as active gang members.

On September 21, Officers F. Hernandez and B. Economidy completed a hot spot tactical plan in the area of Palomas and Zuni. The officers obtained information regarding a stolen motorcycle and arrested one subject for a burglary warrant and one subject for trafficking methamphetamine.

On September 27, officers were dispatched to investigate a possible child abuse case. Officers contacted a male subject and developed probable cause for a search warrant. Officers and Southeast Impact Team detectives served a search warrant on the apartment and located a large amount of marijuana and a police officer's duty weapon which had been stolen. The offender was identified as an active gang member.

Detective Moya was called by Officer Holets in reference to an aggravated battery with a deadly weapon. Officer Holets advised that a male had been severally beaten with a bat by his neighbor. The victim had a shattered left eye socket, loss of vision in his left eye and a shattered nose. Detective Moya made contact with the suspect in this case. After a short interview, the suspect stated that he was agitated and mad at his neighbor over previous situations. The suspect then went home for lunch from work and confronted the victim and struck him in the face and then in the back. The suspect then went back to work and threw the bat into the dumpster on the property. After obtaining a search warrant, the bat was retrieved and tagged into APD Evidence. The suspect was subsequently arrested for attempted second degree murder, and tampering with evidence.

Officers were dispatched to an apartment in response to a call regarding a juvenile. The caller advised that three kids were not being allowed to enter the apartment by the subjects inside the residence and that they were possibly smoking marijuana. Upon arrival, officers contacted one of the men in the apartment. During a protective sweep of the apartment, officers observed a baggie of marijuana easily accessible by the children who were 2, 4, and 12 years of age. A search warrant was drafted for the residence. During the execution of the search warrant, a gallon baggie of individually packaged marijuana was found. Inside the microwave, it appeared as if crack cocaine was being manufactured. The microwave plate tested positive for cocaine. A stolen firearm was also recovered. The firearm was stolen from a Lea County Sheriff's Deputy. The man was charged with three counts of child abuse; possession of marijuana with intent to distribute; possession of a controlled substance with intent to distribute; possession of a stolen firearm; felon in possession of a firearm; and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Detective Cabrera responded to a call out to a retirement home in which a subject had visited the home the evening prior and battered a female. The victim was 101 years of age. The staff had suspected foul play and started a surveillance system. The staff reviewed the footage from the night before and observed the suspect getting mad and abusing the victim while she sat on the couch. He then picked up a sofa pillow and covered her face with it, but released it shortly after. The suspect then picked up her walker and threatened to hit her with it. Responding officers observed the footage and set up surveillance and waited for the suspect to return. When he pulled into the parking lot, Detective Cabrera made contact with him and placed him under arrest for kidnapping and aggravated battery with a deadly weapon. The victim was suffering from several mental handicaps and could not make a statement due to her age. Detective Cabrera was able to get a copy of the video footage and tag it into evidence.

# Foothills Area Command...

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Detective J. Stott was assigned an aggravated burglary case in which the offender was the victim's ex-boyfriend. The offender had three accomplices including his current girlfriend, his 15-year-old son and the mother of his son, all of who participated in the burglary and beating of the victim. At the end of his investigation, Detective Stott was able to identify the girlfriend and obtained four arrest warrants for the offenders. He then forwarded the case to the District Attorney's office for prosecution. Detective Gonterman was assigned an aggravated battery case where the victim was beaten in the head and body with a hammer. Before the victim went into brain surgery for her injuries, she was able to tell her brother and hospital personnel that her mother was responsible. Detective Gonterman obtained a subpoena for medical records, obtained search warrants and interviewed witnesses finding probable cause to arrest the victim's mother. Two weeks later, the victim was able to communicate to Detective Gonterman that her mother beat her in the head and body with a hammer. She then met with the victim's step-dad outside the home and retrieved a tire iron. The mother returned and continued to beat her with the tire iron until she was unconscious. The victim also told Detective Gonterman that a month earlier her mother pulled the oxygen off of her and told her she should not be able to live. Inconsistent statements between the victim's mother and step-father also supported the evidence that they were trying to kill the victim and didn't think she would live to tell what happened to her. An arrest warrant was also obtained for the victim's step-father. Since the victim was unable to leave the hospital, a victim's advocate went to the victim and helped her with an emergency restraining order and provided her with other resources.

Officer Arias recovered a stolen vehicle and was able to arrest three individuals and recover a stolen gun during the investigation. Auto Theft Unit detectives assumed case responsibility. Officer Meyer received a nomination for a NAMI award from Sergeant P. Duran regarding his consistent efforts to help out on all crisis intervention calls. Officer Meyer consistently volunteered for all CIT calls in the Foothills Area Command. On September 26, Officers Miranda and Drexler responded to an active warrant call in reference to an anonymous caller that advised that a felony offender who was on the Top 25 property crime offender list was in the area. The subject was located with the assistance of Sergeant R. Miller. Officers were able to detain and arrest the offender.

- Officer J. Chavez conducted a tactical plan at Canyon Point Apartments through September to reduce calls for service and doing frequent foot patrol as well as contacting tenants.
- Officer M. Parrish responded to a residential burglary during which an expensive antique violin had been taken. During the response, a second call for service was received from a local music store where the business employee reported that a female was trying to sell an expensive violin and it appeared suspicious to the caller. Officer Parrish responded to the music store and learned it was the same violin taken in the burglary. The female was ultimately arrested and the stolen property recovered and returned to its rightful owner.

# Valley Area Command...

- Crime Suppression Tactical (CST) Plans were implemented by all three shifts. Each Valley Area Command lieutenant was responsible for assigning officers and soliciting assistance from the various support units within APD. In September, Valley Area Command officers made 19 felony arrests and cleared 18 felony warrants. CST completed 41 misdemeanor arrests and cleared 32 misdemeanor warrants. Officers issued 27 misdemeanor citations, performed 169 traffic stops and issued 251 traffic citations. Officers conducted 16 knock-and-talks, seized two firearms (including an AK-47), and took one gram of heroin off the streets. CST officers also recovered five stolen vehicles.
- Team 9 officers targeted a suspect stealing money from parking lot pay boxes and made an arrest.
- Graveyard shift officers conducted a property crimes hot spot tactical plan in Sector 24 and made six arrests.
- Team 10 officers conducted a tactical plan in the area of 10th and Coal, Martineztown Park and Los Duranes. The effort resulted in 12 misdemeanor arrests, five DWI arrests and seven misdemeanor citations.
- Team One bike officers conducted a tactical

plan in the Country Club area in response to residential burglaries and made four arrests. Swing shift officers continued to work a Downtown Cruiser Tactical Plan for the entire bid under the direction of Lieutenant R. Middleton. To date, officers have issued 2,443 citations including 160 for loud music. Officers towed 198 vehicles and made 73 arrests.

- Watch 3 officers conducted a school zone tactical plan keeping school kids safe at eight different schools and issued 92 citations. Officers focused a CST tactical plan in the
- Raynolds Neighborhood, clearing several property crimes warrants.

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Impact Team detectives made felony arrests for a shooting and three felony arrests for a robbery.
Detectives also made arrests for felony assault and seized an AK-47. Impact Team detectives served three search warrants and three arrest warrants. The Team cleared five felony warrants and five misdemeanor warrants. Detectives sent 29 cases to the District Attorney's office for prosecution and cleared 17 cases by arrest.

#### Southwest Area Command...

On September 14, officers were in the area of 98th Street NW on a call. While they were there, they observed a female subject acting very suspicious. When they finished with the call, they took the initiative and were able to locate the subject a short distance away. Officers were able to determine she had an outstanding misdemeanor warrant for her arrest. A search resulted in the discovery of a small amount of crystal methamphetamine. The subject was arrested for the felony and warrant. September 19, Officer Lopez was dispatched to an elementary school regarding reported criminal activity. A student had informed the principal that her mother and the mother's boyfriend had stolen a purse and had used the credit / cash card to make several purchases and withdraw cash the week before. Officer Lopez interviewed the student to collect the details of the event. She then contacted the victim and verified the theft had occurred. Officer Lopez then methodically retraced the suspect's actions for the day the crimes happened. The suspects used the card to buy gas and withdrew cash from two different cash machines. They then went to a retailer and purchased a large screen television. The purchases totalled more than \$1600. Officer Lopez learned the suspects were currently in

the Metro County Detention center on unrelated charges. Officer Lopez had the suspects rebooked on theft charges.

- Bike officers focused their efforts in the area of 57th / Central and Estancia / Central in response to neighborhood complaints of drug activity, drinking in public and loitering. Officers were able to identify and locate the criminal and drug activity. Officers assisted the landlord to have the tenants evicted.
- Officer Bailey focused attention in the area Central /Bridge. The investigation led to two felony investigations and multiple subsequent arrests including a misdemeanor warrant and a criminal trespass.
  - On September 10, Sergeant Hoisington and
    Detective Piatt worked an auto burglary tactical
    plan. The tactical plan yielded a suspicious
    person call which lead to a felony warrant arrest.
    Detectives continued the tactical plan the next
    day. Detective Chavez observed a male riding a
    bike in the neighborhood near Westgate which
    had been experiencing several auto burglaries.
    The male was observed walking in backyards of
    several different residences. Detectives followed
    the male who attempted to elude officers,
    but was located and detained. The male was
    identified and found to have a felony warrant for
    his arrest.
    - On September 8, Open Space officers saturated the southern end of the paved Bosque bike trail in response to citizen complaints of subjects drinking beer in the area. Officers wrote three citations, discovered three illegal camp sites and made four maintenance requests to remove trash and litter.
    - On September 20, Open Space officers saturated areas in the Bosque known to have illegal camp sites. One arrest was made and several camp sites were found and removed.

#### Northwest Area Command...

The Northwest Area Command Impact POP project for September addressed auto burglaries in Ventana Ranch and retail outlets within Beat 616. Detectives deployed ETS bait cars in the areas. Information was distributed to field officers and CIB units. Northwest Impact Team and NITe detectives made one arrest from an ETS activation; two misdemeanor arrests were made at the targeted retail outlets. Detective Acosta assisted KAFB Investigations with a case on September 26 related to stolen

government property in the Maxwell housing area of Kirtland AFB. The area is under APD jurisdiction, but is owned by KAFB. Detective Acosta obtained a search warrant for the house in cooperation with KAFB investigators. Northwest Impact Team detectives and KAFB investigators served the warrant and recovered two stolen government-owned laptop computers and several other electronic communications devices stolen over a year ago from a closed Air Force test site. All property was turned over to KAFB investigators. The suspect was on an unauthorized absence from KAFB in South Dakota when he was ordered to return to KAFB. The suspect was arrested on federal charges by KAFB investigators at Albuquerque International Sunport on September 28. Officer B. Crafton conducted multiple tactical plans in response to an increase in auto burglaries in the area around Cottonwood Mall. The tactical plan resulted in a decrease in auto burglaries, several misdemeanor citations, and a warrant execution on a vehicle resulting in the seizure of marijuana. On September 1, Officer J. Wolffbrandt assisted

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Sergeant A. Sanchez with a traffic stop of a vehicle driving with no lights on. One of the juveniles in the vehicle was found to have just committed an auto burglary. He was subsequently booked into the juvenile detention center.

On September 8, Officers Melendrez and Sennett responded to a reported auto burglary at a northwest location. A witness followed the offenders, and while en route the officers located the offenders at Montano and San Ildephonso. The witness positively identified the offenders and the victims identified stolen property in their possession, valued at approximately \$2,200. One of the offenders had just been featured on APD-TV as a BOLO from the Intel Unit for property crime offenses. Both offenders were booked into the MDC.

### Northeast Area Command...

Watch 2 officers conducted numerous traffic tactical plans throughout September. Areas of concern included illegal cell phone use, speeding, seat belt and stop sign violations. Day shift officers wrote a whopping 1,093 moving citations in September.

Officer T. Lonz was dispatched on September 7 to a call in which an anonymous caller wanted to

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report he observed marijuana plants growing in a neighbor's backyard. Officer Lonz went to an adjacent property and observed eight marijuana plants growing in the backyard. Officer Lonz contacted the on-call narcotics detective. A search warrant for the property was prepared and executed. Eight marijuana plants from the backyard were seized. A rear bedroom in the house was found to be full of mason jars that could have been used for selling marijuana. The rear bedroom was a distribution room. Due to Officer Lonz's professionalism, the marijuana was secured and the two homeowners were arrested and booked.

Officer J. Sullivan was flagged down at a local restaurant on September 23 regarding a purse snatching. Officer Sullivan and several concerned citizens chased down the offender who was promptly arrested. During Officer Sullivan's investigation, it was learned the purse-snatcher had also committed a commercial burglary the night before. All of the property of the purse snatching on Sunday and the commercial burglary from Saturday were returned to the rightful owners. The offender was booked. Officer Sullivan completed the felony supplemental report, which was forwarded to the 2nd District Attorney's Office for review and possible prosecution. On September 30, Officers D. Calt and V. Natewa were dispatched to a northeast location in reference to two suspicious male subjects attempting to take copper from a business. A witness reported that he saw two male subjects enter a secured lot and were attempting to take copper from the business. Officers checked the suspect's plate and found it registered to the suspect. Dispatch advised officers that the caller said the vehicle was back in the area. The vehicle was located behind the business with the driver inside. The business owner met with the officers and identified the subject as one of three subjects that were taking copper from his business. Officers spoke to the suspect who admitted that he had "bad intentions" and had intended on selling the copper for money. The suspect was arrested for commercial burglary. Officer Burton was dispatched to a northeast location in reference to a priority one domestic violence call. When Officer Burton arrived at the location, she could smell a strong odor of marijuana coming from the apartment. She and fellow officers were able to contact five

adults inside. They found that the adults were selling marijuana out of the apartment which also housed several small children. The officers noted the poor living conditions for the children including an overflow of cat feces. Based on the investigation, Officer Burton arrested all five adults on felony charges.

Officers D. Symes and K. Todacheenie were flagged down by loss prevention staff at a major retailer. A male subject attempted to flee the scene after committing a theft. Officers Symes and Todacheenie positioned themselves and stopped the suspect before it became a foot chase. Officers were also able to take the suspect's son and accomplice into custody as well. The two had committed fraud and larceny by stealing and returning items for cash. Through an investigation, officers determined that both were repeat offenders and were currently being investigated by the APD Organized Crime Unit. Both subjects were arrested on felony charges.

# Scientific Evidence Division...

- The Major Crime Scene Team responded to two call outs in September.
- The Field Investigator Unit responded to 1,310 calls, wrote 1,101 reports, and lifted 1.053 latent fingerprint cards during September.
- In September, the Photo Lab had 253 requests for case work. A total of 361 CDs were tagged into the lab from FIs, FETs and Field Sergeants.
- The New Mexico DNA Identification System • (NMDIS), received 1,065 new convicted offender/arrestee DNA samples in September, with a cumulative total of over 84,300 collected. 261 samples were analyzed, data uploaded and searched in CODIS, with a cumulative total of over 77,800 searchable DNA profiles. The newly collected samples continued to reflect the trend of just over a 4-to-1 ratio of arrestee samples to convicted offender samples. As a result of testing the convicted offender/arrestee samples, 16 unsolved cases were matched to convicted offenders/arrestees, five case-to-case matches were made, with a resulting total of 23 investigations being aided.

In September, the Firearms and Tool Mark Group as well as the Controlled Substances Group provided key investigative leads and results in a high-profile investigation that related to drug possession and straw purchases of firearms. In September, Identification Technicians and one rehire officer completed 76 case dispositions; 67 firearm backgrounds, seven employment, 86 FBI background requests, and 17 CODIS requests. 258 RAPs and photos were distributed; 10 new APD applicants were fingerprinted; 1,664 fingerprints were classified in AFIS and 2,270 new and old arrests were processed into the Tiburon Criminal History Record during normal shift operations.

In September, 12 full time city evidence technicians and two rehire officers received 4,115 evidence items; duplicated 1,917 audio/ video recordings and supported 52 pre-trial viewings. The Unit also returned 340 items to their owners, disposed of 1,104 items, and recovered \$609.88 from auction income. Case disposition was determined from 356 District Attorney letters, and 838 officer letters were coded into evidence history. An additional 836 items met final disposition processing requirements and no items are pending destruction court orders.

# **Communications Division...**

APD 911 Communications Center staff answered 68,085 incoming 911 and 242-COPS calls in September (27,473 calls answered for 911; 40,612 calls answered for 242-COPS). 911 Operators answered 92.81% of the 911 calls within 10 seconds (the national standard is 90%; APD's standard is 92.0%); operators also answered 95.94% of the 242-COPS calls within 30 seconds (APD's goal is 90% answered within 30 seconds).

- The Communications Center received an upgraded vital switch in September which supports the Center's connection to internal and external networks.
- A new hire class of five Telecommunications Operator I's started at Communications in September.

# **Professional Standards Division...**

The 2012 Phase III MOE reached the halfway point on September 25. Members of the Advanced Training Unit conducted a majority of the instruction for the 10 dates. A total of 342 personnel from both within the department and from outside agencies attended MOE during September. Members of the Unit conducted return to duty training for officers returning from military deployment. Several meetings, events and courses were hosted, including ARAPA and CICA meetings; an Advanced Auto Theft course; a Dignitary Protection course; AMBER Alert Training; CIT Training: a Bomb course; and a Sergeant's Forum.

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The 107th Cadet Class graduation will take place on October 5, at the African American Performing Arts Center. The cadets received eight hours of building search training from APD's K-9 unit at the Coronado Mall. The 107th Cadet Class also received four additional hours of simmunition training and eight hours of active shooter training. The second to the last week of training was spent at APD's tactical firearms range. The 107th Cadet Class received 32 hours of officer survival training. The 108th Cadet Class continued into their fifth week of training. Cadets received eight hours of crisis management training. Cadets began Introduction to Defensive Tactics in September, and completed forty hours of required defensive tactics. The 108th class had two tests and two quizzes in September, while completing their

first uniform inspection. Sergeant Hoisington, in conjunction with TJ Wilham, filmed four commercials that will serve as both recruiting tools and public service announcements. Sergeant Hoisington also placed recruiting advertisements in the NAACP Journal and Albuquerque Sports Magazine. The Physical Training program for the 107th and 108th classes continued to progress in September. The physical fitness class (DPS 3.1) was presented to the 108th cadet class on September 5. The 107th class completed its fifth physical fitness assessment with an overall score of 90.55%.

The 2012 physical assessments continued to progress 2-3 days per week. Over 260 officers completed the assessment on 10 different dates in September. 54 officers earned either two or four hours of compensated time by scoring a cumulative 80% or higher on the 2012 Physical Assessment.

The Firearms Ranges hosted the NRA Shooting Competition. Officer R. Donaghe coordinated the 3-gun event which was held on the first day of the New Mexico Regional. Officers Bartram and Sauer provided their skills in the main tower in order to regulate the various courses of fire during the competition. Even with the personnel shortage, Officer Garduno was able to keep the Tactical Range open for officers as all of the

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ranges on the West Range were being used for the competition. Several APD officers competed in the New Mexico Challenge and won several awards. Range officers continued to provide assistance and support for the entire event. Officers Bartram and Garduno completed the curriculum for the Firearms Instructor Course. The department now has several new fullycertified instructors in handguns, revolvers, shotguns and rifles.

#### **Support Services Division...**

- The Criminal Nuisance Abatement Unit (CNAU) posted 10 units as substandard in September, identified 13 problem properties, and visited 289 properties.
- Detectives Wickline and Smith trained Metro Court officers on the Copperfire software. The officers are now able to use the system to do their reports. CNAU detectives completed warrants sweeps and made several arrests.
- Metropolitan Court Protection assisted 126 individuals who were remanded by the court and were booked; 68 individuals were booked with misdemeanor warrants and three with felony warrants; 241 individuals who were in police custody; and responded to 1,115 calls for service.
- Court Services met with APD Technical Support and City ISD on September 20 to review and discuss the project concept report regarding the Metropolitan Court interface. During the discussion, the intent and goals were reviewed for accuracy before submitting the documentation to the vendor.
  - On September 25, Charlene Romero began work as senior office assistant for Court Services.
    She was trained by Court Services staff and her primary duties will be answering phones, processing P-30s, delivering and picking up paperwork from Metropolitan Court, and the District Attorney's office.
- Court Services staff scheduled 292 pretrial hearings; processed 448 arraignments; submitted 311 felony cases to the District Attorney's office; and submitted 246 summons to Metro Court.
  - The False Alarm Unit noted a decrease in false alarm dispatches in September of 10% compared to 2011 totals. Over 250 calls were cancelled before officers arrived.
- The Telephone Report Unit generated 352 telephone reports and 156 telephone supplemental reports which resulted in a total

and to repair their sign.

- Division staff coordinated and participated in the Real Time Crime Center "wall-breaking" ceremony, celebrating the beginning of construction for the new facility.
- Staff acquired new software to help develop several new dashboards for the Chief and command-level staff to help analyze trends.
- Planning staff interviewed and selected two candidates for upcoming vacancies.

# **Strategic Support Division...**

In September, staff attended the 2012 IACP Conference in San Diego and APD received the IACP Michael Shanahan Excellence in Public/ Private Cooperation Award at the Security Industry Association award reception. APD received the Shanahan award for the work linked to the department's ARAPA partnership. Additionally at the 2012 IACP conference, APD received the Webber Seavey Award for Quality in Law Enforcement for the work linked to the Organized Crime Unit (OCU) that was created in September 2011. The Webber Seavey Award is presented annually to agencies and departments worldwide in recognition for promoting a standard of excellence that exemplifies law enforcement's contribution and dedication to the quality of life in local communities. OCU provides an innovative approach to working with members of our private sector to address serial criminal activity impacting the retail, hospitality, banking and construction industries. Since its was creation, OCU detectives have made more than 132 felony and 62 misdemeanor arrests and have also forwarded over 97 cases to the District Attorney's office for felony prosecution. Working in conjunction with asset protection officers, OCU has made hundreds of arrests involving criminals who work together to steal goods from retailers only to resell them. Police agencies across the country are building on these initiatives to increase productivity in addressing property crime.

In September, 94 incidents were submitted to the CONNECT website by a combination of business partners and APD personnel regarding criminal activity. Of these, 62 were from ARAPA partners; seven were Hospitality Partners; 12 by FISOA partners; four by CICA Partners; three by Lender Exchange Partners; four on the Neighborhood Watch Block Captain Hot Sheet; one law enforcement Hot Sheet

savings of \$20,320 and 1,321 officer hours if the calls for reports were dispatched to Field Services.

The Telephone Report Unit received 299 on-line reports which resulted in a savings of \$11,960 and a savings of 777 Field Services hours.

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- The IPRA Unit continued to run efficiently and processed more and more IPRAs every day. Along with the IPRA payments of \$14,856, Insurance requests were \$8,616 in September. The IPRA Unit also worked 153 hours on requests alone.
- The USDOJ Limited English Proficiency contracts were finalized and all three contractors are working on translating all APD public documents to Spanish, Vietnamese, and Chinese. Roslin Nieto-Sandoval received an email from Sylvia Pennington with the NM Crime Victims Reparation Commission thanking her for all the help she has provided to her during her time to with the agency.

## **Office of Emergency Management...**

- Office of Emergency Management (OEM) staff completed a presentation to the Army Corps of Engineers for National Preparedness Month.
- OEM staff conducted ICS 700 training for APD cadets on September 7.
- CERT representatives staffed a law enforcement booth at the New Mexico State Fair.
- Staff prepared throughout September and emailed to all stakeholders the Final After-Action Report and Improvement Plan for the Valle Del Rio Full Scale Exercise of August 16th. The report and other related documents were uploaded into the Homeland Security Exercise Evaluation Program System on September 28.

Staff prepared for the Cities Readiness Initiative that will occur in January 2013.

# Planning and Policy Division...

- Division staff and the Chief of Police reviewed existing strategies from the current APD Strategic Plan and determined that a significant number of strategies had been completed. The strategies that have not yet been completed will be carried forward in the new plan.
- Emergency Operations Center staff have been temporarily assigned to the Division for training and coordination purposes.
- Division staff assisted with coordinating with contractors to repaint the Old Town mini-sub

posting; and one by the North I-25 Partnership. Additionally, there were 48 alert update comments to the postings which were provided by personnel from the various partnerships. In September, 27 new registration requests were received for the various areas contained in the CONNECT website. CONNECT had a total of 1,104 visitors in 30 days for an average of 36.8 visitors per day.

The ARAPA 1st Annual Drive a Wedge Against Property Crime Golf Tournament was held on September 8 at the UNM Championship Golf Course. This tournament was held to raise funds to support ARAPA and to help in funding the annual Organized Retail Crime Conference that is anticipated to be held in the Spring of 2013. There were 24 teams of four players that registered and played in tournament. After expenses, the tournament raised close to \$7,000. In September, the stopabqgangs.org website had a total of 1,473 visitors in 30 days for an average of 49.1 visitors/day.

# **Smart Policing Division...**

- Division staff coordinated construction, technology acquisition, and project management for the Real Time Crime Center that started construction in September. Technology purchases related to the RTCC were approved by the TRC and ISC.
  - Despite the APD Blotter not functioning, APD PIOs released social media updates directly through Twitter for events, including the cadet graduation; a fund raiser for APD Officer K. Evans at Cocina Azul; VIN etching; and law enforcement community events.
- The Division has begun to train officers on how to operate in the RTCC. The Project Team will begin testing new Toughbooks with the test squad.

# **Traffic Division...**

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- The Traffic Unit issued 2,220 citations in September.
- The DWI Unit completed 263 DWI and four DRE arrests in September.
- The Seizure Unit confiscated 155 vehicles in September, totalling \$59,069.
- In August, the Motor Unit made three felony arrest, seven misdemeanor arrests and six DWI arrests. The Unit issued 1,387 moving citations, including 146 for cell phone use while driving.

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The Unit conducted tactical plans in September that produced 301 citations.

- On September 17, the APD Air Support Unit conducted a static display with Air 1 at the NRA NPSC competition shoot at the City's west range. Officer Skinner and Sergeant Taylor made contact with approximately 200 competitors and visitors.
  - On September 18, Air 1 arrived above a northwest location in response to a request for an area search for a felony domestic violence subject who was possibly armed. Prior to Air 1's arrival, ground units had established a perimeter around the residence. Air 1 conducted a FLIR search of the area and immediately located a subject hiding on the roof of the residence. Air 1 directed K-9 units to the subject. K-9 executed a plan to contact the subject and he was detained without incident.
    - On September 20, Air Support Unit staff
      completed the install of a new DVR (digital
      video recorder) and rear seat monitor for Air 1
      in preparation for the NVG (night vision goggle)
      re-evaluation as required by the FAA.
      On September 29, Air Support Unit staff
      attended the Children's Safety Fair at the Home
      Depot on Eubank SE with Air 1 for a police
      static display and public relations outreach
      effort. APD air crew made direct contact with
      over 2,500 parents and children during the event.

# **Special Operations Division...**

- In September, APD's Bomb Squad responded to eight call outs. On September 5, the
  Squad responded to Rio Grande High School.
  Bernalillo County Sheriff's deputies called stating a bomb threat was made to the school.
  During a search of the property, a deputy located a duffle bag placed under a vehicle in the west parking lot. APD Bomb Technicians arrived to investigate the duffle bag. The duffle bag did not contain explosive material, and turned out to be unrelated to the bomb threat.
  - On September 6, the Bomb Squad responded to CNM at 4700 Morris NE. A passenger on a City bus told the bus driver that he had a bomb inside his backpack. The bus driver stopped the bus in the middle of the street and walked away. The passenger who made the threat was confined to a wheelchair, and had no use of his arms or legs. APD SWAT and APD Bomb Squad members made entry onto the bus and removed the subject. Once removed from the bus, bomb

technicians cleared the backpack. It did not contain any explosives. Foothills Impact Team detectives forwarded the bomb threat case to the District Attorney's office.

In September, the K-9 Unit conducted 44 building searches, 13 area searches, responded to 30 K-9 call outs and made four apprehensions. The Unit also conducted six searches for armed offenders. K-9 units participated in 161 hours of SWAT training and 175 hours of K-9 training. Two officers from K-9 attended a K-9 and SWAT integration course in Provo, Utah. Sergeant E. Brown and Officer S. Weimerskirch qualified as certifying judges for the SWAT course by the Utah Post.

There were several notable K-9 apprehensions during September, the first occurring on September 4. Officers in the Northeast Area Command were flagged down in reference to a burglary in progress. When the officers encountered the offender, he was noncompliant and aggressive toward the officers. He began to walk away with an object in his hands that he refused to put down and that officers could not identify. After several warnings, the offender was apprehended from a safe distance by a police service dog. The offender was found to be armed with a knife.

On September 13, officers from the U.S. Marshals Task Force located a subject wanted for aggravated battery with a deadly weapon. There was a short vehicle pursuit and the subject fled on foot into a residential neighborhood. A perimeter was established and K-9 responded to the scene. A yard-to-yard search was conducted and the offender was located by a police service dog.

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The New Mexico State Fair began on September 12 and continued through September 23. The APD Horse Mounted Unit assisted the New Mexico State Police with active duty patrol, especially within the Fair parking lots. This year, the State Fair had free parking so the parking lots were constantly full of vehicles. The HMU responded to several onsite calls for service including a call involving subjects drinking and possession of a handgun. State Police took over the call and arrested the subjects involved. In September, the Prisoner Transport Unit processed 1,769 prisoners through the Prisoner Transport Center. The Albuquerque Police Department arrested 1,487 prisoners and other agencies arrested 282 prisoners. The Prisoner

Transport Unit made 258 trips to MDC and accepted 12 walk-in prisoners at MDC. In September during the 2012 New Mexico State Fair, the PTU participated in two proactive functions to assist the field with calls for service and arrests. During the 12-day event, the PTU operated the Mobile Transport Operation every day from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. The Mobile Transport Team was assigned citywide and picked up prisoners from all area commands, arrest locations and the State Fair Command Post. The MATS Transport Team was also assigned citywide duties and worked Sunday, Tuesday and Friday evenings from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. The PTU totals for the 12-day State Fair event were; 147 mobile transports, 78 MATS transports and 847 transports from the PTC.

- The PTU doubled its numbers in September with the Mobile and MATS operations. In September, the PTU generated 205 mobile/field transports to the MDC and 110 public inebriate transports to the MATS facility.
- The savings in hours and fuel costs for September was \$31,202.

# **Investigations Bureau...**

- On September 5 and 6, the ROP Unit assisted Eastside Narcotics with a reversal operation.
- On September 12, ROP detectives were conducting surveillance when detectives observed a man unlawfully enter a vehicle and remove items. The man was arrested a short time later and the property was returned to the owner. The man was booked for auto burglary and an outstanding felony warrant.
  - Also on September 12, ROP detectives were notified of an auto burglary that occurred along Central NE. The suspects of the auto burglary were observed leaving in a pickup truck that had previously been reported stolen. The vehicle was located at a southeast location, and ROP detectives set up surveillance. Two men were later taken into custody after being observed in the stolen truck. The property from the earlier auto burglary was recovered. One of the men was on probation for auto theft and was found to be in possession of a handgun. Property was also recovered from three other recent auto burglaries.

On September 17, ROP Unit detectives observed a stolen vehicle enter an apartment complex. Surveillance was established. A short time later a female was observed entering the stolen

vehicle. She was taken into custody. A male suspect she was with fled on foot and was taken into custody. He was found to have an outstanding felony warrant for his arrest. On September 5, Gang Unit detectives were notified of a felony fugitive. Detectives were advised the suspect had been terrorizing the neighborhood and his own family. The suspect had three felony warrants for his arrest, including felony domestic violence. He was located and taken into custody without incident. On September 21 while working in the area of the New Mexico State Fair, Gang Unit detectives were able to arrange for a purchase of heroin. The heroin dealer was taken into custody and found to be a known gang member. He was booked without incident.

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Also on September 21, Gang Unit detectives were made aware of a felony fugitive. The suspect was a known gang member and had been featured as a Crimestoppers fugitive of the week. Gang Unit detectives used investigative techniques to locate the suspect and take him into custody without incident.

The focus of the Street Team during September was the 2012 New Mexico State Fair. The Street Team joined with the New Mexico State Police to patrol the Fairgrounds every night the Fair was open. During the Fair, the Street Team spent 6-7 hours a night walking on foot throughout the Fairgrounds with a focus on the midway area. During that time, the Street Team contacted and identified 119 gangsters within the Fairgrounds; completed four misdemeanor arrests; issued 12 criminal trespass notices; and removed 27 people from the Fair for various types of behavior.

On September 11, Detective Ingram got into a foot chase with a suspected gang member. Once caught, the male was found to have multiple felony charges for armed robbery and burglary. On September 29, Detectives Wilson and Hernandez stopped a car for a traffic violation. During the course of the investigation, they discovered that one of the passengers was lying to them. Using great investigative techniques, the detectives discovered her real name and that she was responsible for three felony residential burglaries. She was also one of Property Crime's Most Wanted offenders. Her son also had his probation revoked for helping her lie to the police. Fair Tactical Operation Plan. Every day of the State Fair, the Vice Unit performed a major operation in either a hotel, business or on the street targeting vice and narcotic related crimes. The Eastside Narcotics Unit, the Criminal Intelligence Unit, and both Gang Units partnered with Vice detectives and contributed to the success of the operations. Other units that helped were the Southeast Impact Team, Southeast PRT, New Mexico Attorney General's office, SWAT, temporary assignments from the Southeast and Northeast Area Commands, the Criminal Investigations Bureau, and the New Mexico State Police. The 12-day tactical plan generated 131 total arrests, including 53 prostitution arrests; 32 "John" arrests; 45 felony narcotics arrests (trafficking and possession); one DWI arrest; 14 felony warrants cleared; 10 misdemeanor warrants; and 45 towed vehicles. After receiving numerous complaints of drug trafficking, the Eastside Narcotics Unit obtained a search warrant for a northeast location. On September 6, Eastside Narcotics served the search warrant and seized a quantity of heroin, packaging paraphernalia, scales, and drug ledgers detailing sums of money exchanged for drugs. A woman who was present during the service of the warrant was arrested for trafficking a controlled substance and possession of dangerous drugs. A male who was also present was placed under arrest for an outstanding warrant.

On September 7, Eastside Narcotics Detectives met with neighbors at a southeast location and confirmed that there was possible drug activity occurring. Detectives were able to obtain a search warrant for the residence. Detectives seized numerous marijuana plants and dried, packaged marijuana for distribution with an approximate street value of \$51,000. Two firearms, scales, and bags were also seized. The residents were arrested for possession of marijuana with intent to distribute and conspiracy.

For the last several months, Eastside Narcotics detectives had been conducting an ongoing investigation into a residence at a northeast location. Several concerned neighbors had called numerous times complaining about suspected drug trafficking. On September 12, Eastside Narcotics detectives and Region 1 Drug Enforcement Task Force detectives executed a search warrant at the location. A quantity of

The Vice Unit conducted their annual State

heroin, methamphetamine, packaging material, scales, several pseudoephedrine pills, and chemicals associated with a methamphetamine lab were all located. The Safe City Strike Force arrived on scene and posted the residence as substandard. A majority of the neighbors in the area voiced their appreciation to officers and detectives on scene. The owner will be charged with trafficking methamphetamine and heroin, and attempting to manufacture a methamphetamine lab.

Westside Narcotics detectives completed 13 felony arrests in September. The Unit wrote 10 search warrants and executed eight; seized 9.5 ounces of methamphetamine; 38 pounds of marijuana; 23.5 grams of cocaine; 5 ounces of heroin; and three firearms.

### **Criminal Investigations Division...**

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- The Homicide Unit responded to two call outs in September. Both were actual "UCR" homicides. This brings the total number of UCR homicides in Albuquerque to 35 through the end of September. The Unit has 43 active cases. The Armed Robbery Unit responded to six call outs and cleared 34 cases in September, and sent five of those to the District Attorney's office for prosecution. The Unit completed one arrest, wrote one arrest warrant and served three search warrants. The Robbery Unit had 31 new cases assigned and the Unit has 97 active cases. The Sex Crimes Unit responded to seven callouts in September, cleared 22 cases, and sent 11 of those to the District Attorney's office for prosecution. There were 24 new cases assigned. The Unit served seven search warrants, and made five in-custody arrests. The Unit has 66 active cases.
  - The FASTT Unit cleared 34 cases in September and sent 12 cases to the District Attorney's office for prosecution. FASTT detectives reviewed 229 cases in September. The Unit generated 39 cases, made four in-custody arrests, and obtained five arrest warrants. The Unit has eight active cases.

There were 87 new runaways/missing persons reported to the Missing Persons Unit in September. The Unit cleared 94 total cold case / runaways / missing person cases. The Unit currently has 231 active cases. Detectives Dyer and Lopez participated in the "Prostitution Initiative" meeting which may result in new legislation concerning the laws on prostitution. The detectives collaborated with other agencies and departments to implement a Prostitution Diversion Program similar to Dallas and Arizona Police Departments.

- The CIT / COAST Unit assisted 193 individuals in September. The Unit completed 35 home visits and made 277 referrals for social services. The Unit also completed 30 threat assessments and eight hazard files.
- In September, the Crimes Against Children Unit (CACU) received 852 referrals for review and possible assignment. The Unit cleared a total of 61 cases, 24 of which were sent to the District Attorney's office for prosecution. CACU responded to 27 call outs. They also conducted one arrest warrant and one search warrant. CACU detectives were assigned a total of 57 new cases which were distributed among the eight detectives assigned to the unit.
- All CACU detectives attended a four-day training on investigative strategies for missing and abducted children. Topics covered included high risk child victim profiles, investigations of cold case leads, and current case law regarding search/seizure when a child has been abducted.
  - In September, the Child Exploitation Detail (CED) Unit cleared 11 cases. CED has 45 open cases. Thirteen new cases were assigned in September. Two cases was sent to District Attorney's office for review and/or possible prosecution. CED obtained and executed one arrest warrant and eight search warrants. Officer Ryan at Albuquerque High School conducted an investigation on a student who had been selling marijuana on campus. Officer Ryan was able to identify the student. Officer Ryan did locate the student and found him with marijuana in packaging that appeared to be ready for sale. The student was arrested and charged with felony crimes.
    - On September 18, two students at a local middle school gave information to Officer Salazar about two students who were contemplating suicide. Officer Salazar located and spoke to the students and discovered that the students were actually planning initiate a school shooting. Officer Salazar obtained information about the shooting plans and was able to assist the administration and APS personnel in making a case to suspend the two students. The students are scheduled for an APS hearing on their expulsion.

































