

ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT DECEMBER 2011



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APD Notables...

Southeast Area Command...

- Bike officers Bailey and Conner completed a “hot spot” tactical plan in beats 322, 323 and 325. The officers arrested two offenders for commercial burglary, one for possession of methamphetamine, two for outstanding felony warrants and four for misdemeanor warrants.
- Officer Melvin recovered stolen property taken from a southeast location. The victim saw his Xbox and television for sale on the internet. A meeting was set up with the seller. With the assistance of Burglary Unit detectives the property was recovered.
- Team 5 officers Lucero and Tapia were instrumental in identifying a suspect in a homicide that occurred in the Northeast Heights. The suspect was located and taken into custody without incident on December 17.
- The Southeast Impact Team worked on Operation Hot Spot, a crime initiative using predictive analysis to determine locations of future criminal activity.
- On December 5, Detective D. Lopez conducted an investigation in reference to an aggravated battery. The suspect was near Central and Rhode Island when he saw his ex-brother-in-law. The suspect followed his ex-brother-in-law into the bathroom and stabbed him in the stomach. Detective Lopez obtained an arrest warrant for attempted first degree murder.
- On December 8, Detective J. Kelly conducted an investigation of a man regarding the purchase of jewelry that the suspect purchased with a stolen check. The suspect went to a local jewelry shop and purchased \$1,284 worth of jewelry. Detective J. Kelly was able to identify the man and obtain an arrest warrant. The suspect was featured in the media for his crime spree that involved stolen checks, credit cards, and identity theft. There are approximately 70 charges pending at the District Attorney’s office for the man.
- In December, the Southeast Impact Team focused on investigating AFIS hits (latent fingerprints) from old auto burglaries. Twenty-two investigations were initiated using the information, resulting in 10 felony warrants for property crime offenders.
- On December 16, Officer A. Tapia was watching the news when she observed a photo of a homicide suspect from a Crime Stoppers

broadcast. A man had murdered a female at a local motel. Officer Tapia remembered that she had met the man whose picture was displayed on the news while working in the Northeast Area command, but could not recall his name. Officer Tapia contacted Officer D. Lucero who also had previous contact with the offender. Officer Lucero advised her that the victim of the homicide had been identified. Both officers recalled the name of the victim’s boyfriend and conferred with Officer G. Vigil who had responded to a prior domestic violence call involving the two. Officers Tapia and Burt went to the last known homeless camps and areas frequented by the man in an attempt to locate him, but were unsuccessful. On December 17, Officer Burt took a call regarding a suspicious male that resembled the homicide suspect. Officer Burt called Officer Tapia to confirm the offender’s information prior to going on scene. Based on the information obtained by Officer Tapia and the assistance provide by Officer Burt, the man was taken into custody. Officer Tapia briefed Detective R. Landovazo and was able to help link the man to the deceased female. Based on the diligent work by officer Tapia and the heads up policing by Officer Burt, Detective Landovazo was able to obtain a full confession from the man for the murder of the victim.

Foothills Area Command...

- In December, the Foothills Area Command worked an intensive operation in local retail centers to thwart auto burglary, auto thefts, purse snatching/robberies, and shoplifting during the holiday season.
- The Foothills Area Command continued to implement a tactical plan that focused on issues at multi-family apartment complexes. Every Foothills Area Command officer is assigned to an apartment complex. The officers do period drive patrols and work with management to address issues.
- On December 29, Officers D. Torres and J. Smith were dispatched to a suspicious persons call at a southeast location. The caller advised that they had looked out their rear sliding glass door and saw an unknown subject attempting to gain entry. The subject stated that he was looking for ‘Brian’ and the subject left the home prior to officer’s arrival. Officers Torres and Smith then attempted to locate the male subject in the neighborhood. Officer Torres witnessed a

male subject inside a vehicle and made contact. The male subject was identified and was found to have property from the vehicle on his person. He was later identified as having been arrested for auto burglary six times since September for auto burglary and other property crimes. He was booked into MDC.

- On December 4, Officer J. Malecki responded to a local apartment complex in response to a suspicious male subject inside of an apartment. Upon arrival, Officer Malecki made contact with security who advised the windowpanes to the apartment were broken and that someone was inside the vacant apartment. Officers were able to gain entry and located a male subject standing in the kitchen. The subject stated he was looking for his girlfriend. He was arrested for breaking and entering and booked.
- On December 5, Officer C. Rody made a felony arrest for false imprisonment at a northeast location. The suspect had struck his girlfriend over the head with a beer bottle while they were driving. All four of their children were present in the vehicle when this event occurred.
- On December 26, officers received multiple calls from residents indicating they heard over nine gunshots fired in the area. Officer V. Martinez did an excellent job of patrolling the area and finding the suspect. A male subject had broken up with his girlfriend and wanted to commit suicide. The suspect thought he would scare her by firing several rounds in the air. One of the rounds struck an apartment and the subject was arrested on felony charges for shooting at a dwelling.
- Detective Miller located a marijuana grow when responding to a domestic violence call where the offender was armed with a gun. The offender was taken into custody without incident and the handgun was recovered. A search warrant was obtained and the marijuana, along with an assault rifle was seized.
- The Foothills Impact Team conducted surveillance on a northeast apartment in reference to narcotics activity. The APD Gang Unit assisted in the execution of the search warrant. A man was arrested for trafficking heroin and his half sister was arrested for possession of heroin. The sister's two-year-old son was residing in the apartment at the time. Due to several loaded heroin syringes and paraphernalia in the apartment within the child's reach, the pair were also charged with

child abuse. An amount of heroin was also seized from four additional subjects leaving the residence.

Valley Area Command...

- Watch 1 officers continued to work the Downtown Tactical Plan on Friday and Saturday nights. The Tactical Plan freed up more officers to respond to regular calls for service in the Valley Area Command.
- The Valley Area Command had a very busy holiday season. Officers worked on a month-long tactical plan in Old Town, the Renaissance area and Downtown to ensure that residents were safe as they shopped. There were no major incidents related to holiday shopping.
- The Twinkle Light Parade and the Nob Hill Shop and Stroll were patrolled by bike officers as well as the Valley Power Team. Both events were successful with no incidents.
- Officers from the Valley Area Command assisted with the Blue Star Mothers food drive to send care packages to the troops in Afghanistan. Officers helped pack boxes and then participated in the caravan to take all of the food boxes to the post office for delivery. Officers also participated in the Roadrunner Food Bank Holiday Food Drive and the Toys for Tots event.
- Officer S. Lowell assisted Drug Enforcement agents with a subject who tried to escape from them at the Greyhound Bus Depot. The man was captured and found to be in possession of a large amount of narcotics and money.
- Valley day shift officers were involved in a large area search for a subject who stole a semi-automatic sub-machine gun from a local pawn shop. After crashing their vehicle, the offender ran from the vehicle with the gun in his hand. Officer A. Saladin witnessed the accident and pursued the subject on foot. Due to the quick response, a perimeter was set up and the offender was located with the help of K-9 unit.
- During the Holiday Tactical Plan, a suspicious vehicle was seen driving through parking lots in the Renaissance area. The vehicle was stopped and a large amount of copper wire was found in addition to burglary tools. Also during the Holiday Tactical Plan, a subject was observed running out of an Old Town business with merchandise. He was picked up in a vehicle which was quickly stopped. One subject had a felony warrant and was in possession of heroin. Officer Fangio arrested two for possession of

methamphetamine. Officers Whigham and Henckel arrested a burglary offender. Officer Hernandez arrested a subject for aggravated burglary, and was able to locate the victim's property. Officer Hernandez also arrested another subject for felon in possession of a firearm and seized 8.5 grams of cocaine on the same arrest.

- Valley officers responded to a burglary in progress call. Team 6 officers located the offender as he entered a vehicle and took him into custody without incident.
- The Valley Area Command has been very responsive to the needs and the concerns of the citizens who live within the command. In response to recent concerns about illegally parked vehicles in handicap parking spots, officers patrolled the area and cited numerous vehicles. Every traffic tactical plan that was requested by residents was implemented and results were generated.

Southwest Area Command...

- In December, Officer Lopez completed a shoplifting/loitering/panhandling tactical plan at near 98th Street and Central Avenue. Officer Lopez contacted seven businesses, resulting in greatly diminished calls for service in the area.
- Officer Brown implemented a stop sign tactical plan in response to citizen complaints at Avalon/Estancia, resulting in 15 traffic-related citations. Officer Brown also took control during a severe snow storm and made the decision to close Atrisco due to bad road conditions. Eventually road crews were able to sand and salt the road and reopen it in a timely manner.
- On December 19, Officer Garcia arrested two females for shoplifting; one female had an outstanding warrant for forgery and shoplifting.
- Officers Candelaria and Garcia completed a holiday tactical plan along Coors and Central that targeted shoplifting, traffic infractions, robberies and auto burglaries. The tactical plan resulted in seven misdemeanor citations, six citations for drinking in public, three arrests for shoplifting, and six reports.
- On December 4, Officer M. Vallejos responded to a restaurant along Central Avenue in reference to a possible auto burglary in progress. The suspect used a gun to break the window of the victim's car. Officer Vallejos determined that the suspect would flee into the surrounding neighborhood to escape capture.

Officer Vallejos spotted a subject matching the description in a neighborhood near the restaurant and held the subject at gunpoint until more officers could assist in taking the subject into custody. The suspect was identified and was arrested for possession of heroin after the victim of the auto burglary refused to cooperate. Officers searched the surrounding area for the weapon possibly used in the commission of the crime, but were unable to find it. The following morning, two bodies were discovered in a Valley Area Command park. Unbeknownst to Officer Vallejos, the auto burglary suspects was the main suspect in the murder of the two individuals and was subsequently charged with the two murders. Officer Vallejos' uncanny ability to locate suspects by covering escape routes lead to the arrest of an individual who was a danger to the Albuquerque community.

- Several officers and PSA T. Carman conducted illegal handicapped parking tactical plans during December. The illegal parking is especially problematic during the heavy holiday shopping season. A zero tolerance approach was taken and enforcement actions were taken on all illegally parked vehicles. The officers wrote 79 handicapped parking citations.
- On December 23, Officers D. Nix, S. Macfarlane, and L. Monte rescued two small children from horrible child abuses. One offender was painstakingly tracked down and arrested and the other offender has a warrant for his arrest. The officers then went to a store and purchased a large amount of items for the children including clothes and toys. The officers visited the children on their own time to ensure that they had the best Christmas possible.
- In December, the Open Space Section supported various holiday activities around the Biopark. The Section implemented tactical plans to reduce property crimes and illegal camping. In December, five campsites were discovered. The Section logged 1,302 hours of patrol on foot and ATV. A total of 41 tactical plan hours were logged. Significant contact was made with 1,729 visitors where Open Space officers answered questions and handled problems.

Northwest Area Command...

- Watch I officers noted a rise in auto burglary incidents at several apartment complexes across the area command. Officers in each of the three squads initiated tactical operations in an effort

to deter or eliminate further occurrences. As a result, there was a significant decrease in the amount of burglaries reported throughout the command.

- Traffic enforcement plans were initiated at a number of high-risk intersections within the command. The tactical operations resulted in the issuance of 128 traffic citations and 34 parking citations. In addition to normal activity, graveyard shift officers participated in the Holiday Tactical Operation which resulted in a number of arrests. More importantly, the plan reduced overall crime within the command during its operation. A total of 32 property crime reduction operations were conducted during the month on the graveyard shift.
- Watch II officers and the Northwest Impact Team participated in the Northwest Holiday Tactical Operation which involved increased patrols, undercover presence, daily field briefings near the malls, big box stores and related businesses so that historical property crime increases were not experienced. The tactical operation was a very successful effort.
- Day shift officers also conducted property crime reduction operations as well as panhandler operations throughout the command. Traffic accident reduction plans were conducted throughout the command.
- The Impact Team POP project focused on auto burglaries in Beats 615 and 634, which have historically been high in the command over the last few months of the year. In conjunction with the Holiday Tactical Plan, Impact Team detectives made numerous felony arrests.
- On December 17, Detective Ficke was assigned a missing person case which had actually originated in the Southwest Area Command. Through her investigation and with the assistance of Northwest Impact detectives and Northwest field units, a suspect was identified and later interviewed. Through the efforts of Detective Ficke and Detective J. Romero, a homicide confession was obtained. The homicide had resulted from a narcotics deal which had turned bad. An outstanding effort by Sergeant D. Walton's team and Northwest field units resulted in the location of a body near Laguna, New Mexico. Also located was the offender's vehicle which was used during the commission of the crime.
- Watch III Lieutenant T. Hudson developed and implemented the Holiday Tactical Operation.

Many of the operational facets of the plan were Watch III's responsibility. The operation was a great success and resulted in the reduction of major events within the command along the Coors Boulevard corridor and at all of the large retail outlets. Commander Warfield received several calls and emails from business owners as well as loss prevention personnel from stores thanking him and his officers for their efforts during the major retail event period. Target was exceptionally grateful to Lieutenant T. Hudson and all Northwest officers for their efforts during the Black Friday weekend.

- Officers Rogers and Hannum apprehended a pair of auto thieves who had attempted to steal a bait vehicle. Officer D. Henry located and disarmed a felon at Cottonwood Mall. Officers Rogers and E. Martinez stopped an in-progress armed robbery at a car wash on Coors Boulevard. They were able to locate and arrest the offender who was in a physical struggle with store employees.

Northeast Area Command...

- Officer J. Potter conducted a tactical plan in response to criminal activity at hotels and motels within the area command. Officer Potter did an excellent job keeping up high police visibility, making several contacts with subjects walking around and doing traffic enforcement in the area. Two arrests were made due to warrants and 20 citations were issued.
- Officers Leal and Martinez were dispatched to a northeast residence in response to a small child found barefoot and dressed only in pajamas all alone on a curb side. The remarks on the call also indicated the child had red marks indicative of a hand print on her face and at least one black eye. Investigation by officers revealed that the child's mother was attending school and had left the child in the care of a male subject who is a part time resident of the apartment. The male said he had fallen asleep and the child was able to escape on her own by unlocking the door. The mother was very elusive about how long the day care issue has been occurring and ultimately CYFD and CACU personnel were contacted to take over the investigation. A 48-hour hold was ultimately placed on the child.
- Officers Marquez and Cadroy apprehended two residential burglars on December 20. On December 23, the two officers apprehended an additional two offenders after a perimeter was set up with assistance from the K9 unit

and Northeast day shift personnel. Also to add to their efforts, Officers Marquez and Cadroy apprehended a strong arm robbery suspect on December 4. The offender was responsible for numerous strong arm robberies in the Northeast Area Command.

- A residential burglary was reported to APD Dispatch. A 14-year-old was locked in a bathroom at the residence and was on the line with 911. At the time of the call, Sergeant C. George was within a block of the incident. Sergeant George observed a vehicle leaving the area which matched the description of a vehicle involved in another residential burglary earlier in the week. The description was given to Motor Officer M. Sandoval who was able to conduct a traffic stop at Louisiana and Wilshire. The victim was called to the location and identified the stolen property which was in plain view. Based on the modus operandi, the burglars in custody may have been involved in over 20 burglaries in the Northeast Area Command.
- Officer C. Dubois conducted an auto burglary tactical plan that had been especially hard hit by auto burglars. Officer Dubois used hot spot maps and crime analysis data to assist him with his efforts. He also took a proactive approach by maintaining a high-visibility presence in the area as well as stopping and identifying suspicious people in the target area.
- Team 9 officers continued to implement a property crimes tactical plan in the northern sectors of the Northeast Area Command. Officers Aragon and Whiten were able to arrest two subjects who were casing neighborhoods near Louisiana and Paseo Del Norte. Both had felony warrants and had just committed a commercial burglary at a local large retailer.

Scientific Evidence Division...

- The Major Crime Scene Team responded to six call outs for the month of December. Major Crime Scene Unit personnel facilitated a “CSI experience” for a victim advocates conference. The “CSI experience” was a large project containing two full, mock crime scenes that were viewed by small groups of conference attendees. The attendees were given investigative information and were allowed to examine evidence from the scenes. Participants were then asked to name the offender. The name of the offender was revealed the last day of the conference, with a door prize drawing for those

who selected correctly.

- In 2011, the Evidence Unit spearheaded the implementation of an automated evidence disposition review initiative that resulted in a 20% reduction in evidence inventory (53,388 items disposed). This system allowed officers to receive evidence disposition review notices via email and complete disposition actions on-line. Officers are reviewing and signing off on a record 5,500 items per month through the evidence portal.
- The Identification/Disposition Unit maintained an annual average response rate of five minutes for more than 22,000, 10-digit fingerprint verifications from old and new arrests this year. Workflow changes to the criminal history data entry processes resulted in a reduction of the lag time to enter arrest demographics, from 180 days to 35 days.
- Among many notable items the Latent/Fingerprint Unit was instrumental in the apprehension and capture of a notorious property crime offender. While performing routine print identification procedures, the suspect was found to have been involved in more than 20 burglaries in the City Of Albuquerque. As a result, the information was relayed to the burglary unit and a warrant was secured, removing this criminal from the street.
- In December, Identification Technicians and 1 rehire officer completed 96 case dispositions; 12 employment backgrounds, 33 firearm backgrounds, and 99 FBI background requests. 234 RAPs and photos were distributed; 30 new APD applicants were fingerprinted; 1,603 fingerprints were classified in AFIS and 1,644 new and old arrests were processed into the TIBURON Criminal History Record during normal shift operations. Unit staff also validated 425 firearm backgrounds on hold pending case disposition.
- In December, 15 full time city evidence technicians and 1 rehire officer received 3,349 evidence items; duplicated 720 audio/video recordings and supported 32 pre-trial viewings. The Unit also returned 263 items to their owners, disposed of 1,013 items, and recovered \$12,566.69 from auction income. An additional 7,600 items met final disposition processing requirements and 3,158 items are pending destruction court orders.

Communications Division...

- The APD 911 Communications Center staff answered 65,166 incoming 911 and 242-COPS calls in December. There were 25,892 calls answered for 911 and 39,274 calls answered for 242-COPS. 911 Operators answered 93.75% of the 911 calls within 10 seconds (national standard is 90%, APD's FY 11/12 standard is 93.37%); operators also answered 96.76% of the 242-COPS calls within 30 seconds (APD's goal is 90% answered within 30 seconds).
- A toy and gift drive was organized by 911 dispatchers and operators from Communications for the little girls who were found abused and neglected in an earlier police response.
- The Center held its annual Christmas tree decorating contest with each of the three shifts decorating a tree. Judges Commander Bakas, Nate Korn and Deborah Peacock from Kaufman's West and Chief Schultz selected day shift as the winning tree. Day shift employees will receive a meal sponsored by the 911 Morale Committee.

Strategic Support Division...

- In December, there were 104 incidents submitted on the CONNECT website by a combination of business partners and APD personnel regarding criminal activity during the month; of these, 53 were from ARAPA partners; 11 were Hospitality Partners; 17 by FISOA partners; seven by CICA Partners; four Pawn and Recycling, one law enforcement hot sheet posting and 11 on the new Neighborhood Watch Block Captain hot sheet. Additionally, there were 53 Alert Update Comments to these postings, which were provided by personnel from the various partnerships.
- In December, 37 new registration requests were received for the month for the various areas contained in the CONNECT website.
- In December, CONNECT had a total of a total of 2,563 visitors in 31 days for an average of 82.6 visitors per day.
- The Hospitality Partnership met on December 2, with 21 persons in attendance. The next meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2012.
- The ARAPA meeting was held on December 14.
- Division staff met on December 6 at the Southeast substation to begin the roll-out with community members on the Neighborhood Watch Block Captain Hot Sheet, with 18 citizens in attendance. It was decided that the role out

of the pilot project for this Hot Sheet will be done in phases with it started by engaging Block Captains in the area of from I-25 to San Mateo and I-40 to Central. Within a week of this meeting, eight block captains were registered and there has been some posting on information by block captains and AC personnel to share information regarding crime in the area.

- In December, the stopabqgangs.org website had a total of 1,535 visitors in 31 days for an average of 49.5 visitors/day. Four tips submitted on the website.
- The Crime Analysis Unit created 190 crime analysis bulletins and maps in December. The Unit also created 486 cyclical reports and threshold alerts.

Professional Standards Division...

- The Academy Staff worked diligently to assist each of the individual units. All units are cross training to better assist others and fill any voids when needed.
- The Basic Training Unit started the 106th Cadet Class on November 7, 2011. Fifty cadets were seated for the class and 47 attended the first day of training. Due to miscellaneous circumstances, there are 33 cadets, including one AFD arson investigator.
- Sergeant Martinez retired after 20 years of service and is pursuing a teaching career. Sergeant M. Lopez successfully tested for the position of Basic Academy Sergeant.
- Recruiting efforts continue to increase, incorporating all segments of our community. Staff attended five job fairs/ recruiting events, establishing positive contacts with potential applicants and job placement counselors. The APD Recruiting Unit sponsored the New Mexico Gildden Bowl, hosting a ticket giveaway at the APD Academy.
- The Testing and Selection Unit continued to prepare for the 107th Cadet class, the Prisoner Transport Unit, and the upcoming Police Service Aide Class. The 107th Cadet Class is scheduled to begin on March 5; the PSA and PTU Academies will begin on January 30.
- The Advanced Training Unit continued to provide a very diverse training curriculum. Several community meetings were hosted at the APD Academy, including CICA, ARAPA, neighborhood block captain meetings, and Teen Court.
- Sergeant Smith continued to ensure that all

officers are up-to-date on federal FEMA courses to meet their 5 year goal.

- The renovation of former Sixth Area Command portable buildings is complete, transformed into the APD Leadership Academy. Several leadership courses will be scheduled in 2012.
- Westside Range staff assisted with the cadet firearms program and maintained daily operations for all APD personnel. A total of 169 officers utilized the range for practice. Westside Range staff are developing curriculum for the 2012 qualification schedule and mandated NMDPS firearms training.
- Tactical Range staff tentatively scheduled courses of instruction for 2012. A total of 95 officers utilized the Tactical Range for practice including numerous outside agencies. The Tactical Range is utilized by other county agencies, state, and various agencies within the federal government. Planning has begun to create a state of the art regional firearms training facility, with a regional meeting scheduled for early February.
- Planning for the Quarterly Managers Meeting is ongoing with a date set for March 9. The guest speaker and topic will be from Franklin Covey Inc, "Building Trust in Law Enforcement through Leadership".

Support Services Division...

- The Criminal Nuisance Abatement Unit (CNAU) posted 10 units as substandard in December, identified eight problem properties, and visited 149 properties.
- CNAU Detectives focused on closing out cases for the end of the year. They were able to close out several cases which we had been monitoring for quite some time that had not had any new calls for service at the locations.
- Court Services scheduled 202 pretrial hearings, processed 370 arraignments, submitted 232 felony cases to the District Attorney's office, and submitted 210 summons to Metro Court.
- The Telephone Report Unit generated 361 telephone reports and 129 telephone supplemental reports which resulted in a total savings of \$19,600 and 1,274 officer hours if the calls for reports were dispatched to Field Services.
- In addition, the Telephone Report Unit received 315 on-line reports which resulted in a savings of \$12,600 and a savings of 819.0 Field Services hours.

Planning and Policy Division...

- A propane-based heating system was installed at the Leadership Academy in December.
- Planning and Policy Division staff met with DFAS accounting staff to help them draft grant accounting procedures that will meet USDOJ requirements.
- Division staff visited the Southeast area command with the City's on-call contractor to get a quote to repair stucco sheathing on the east side of the facility. It appears that rainwater had penetrated the wall near the parapet and followed a channel down to the window, where, over time, rotted the fasteners that held the panel to the wall.

Records Division...

- Central Records had two sworn officers in TDY status in December. Cross-training efforts continued across all of Central Records, with a current emphasis on CopLogic, Copper Fire, and the NMAG DBMS. The CopLogic training initiative is geared toward having all Public Information Unit (PIU) staff knowledgeable with CopLogic which will have a standalone host computer in the main lobby to facilitate civilians entering their own reports.
- The Data Entry Unit is currently working on November/December 2011 work. The Unit collected money and purchased forty blankets at a discount from Kohl's for the 3rd annual "Blanket Drive" for Joy Junction.
- The UCR Unit is currently working on October 2011 analysis for APD and a mix of months for BCSO (primarily December) as they are received. The FBI UCR deadline is February 10, 2012.

Traffic Division...

- The Traffic Unit issued 1,532 citations in December.
- The DWI Unit completed 227 DWI arrests in December. 220 were misdemeanor and 7 were felony DWI arrests. 37 of the people arrested had at least one prior DWI conviction. A total of 42 vehicles were seized. The Unit performed two checkpoints that resulted in 20 DWI arrests and also assisted the New Mexico State Police with a checkpoint where two were arrested for DWI. Unit officers assisted Traffic officers with the Cops For Kids event and assisted with the Luminaria Tour.

- The Seizure Unit confiscated 102 vehicles in December, totalling \$169,295.
- In December, the Traffic Unit made nine felony arrests, 15 misdemeanor arrests and 10 DWI arrests. The Unit issued 1,344 moving citations, including 101 for cell phone use while driving. The Unit conducted 31 tactical plans in December that produced 188 citations. The Unit investigated 335 crashes, none fatal.
- On December 7, an offender that had threatened another subject at a local bar had left the area, but the victim was afraid the subject would return. The offender was seen leaving the area in a white Pontiac Grand AM. Air 1 arrived on scene and quickly located a vehicle driving east of that location. Air 1 observed the vehicle driving west back toward the bar. Air 1 advised ground units of the vehicle and that it was heading back to the bar. Air 1 continued to observe and advise ground units of the vehicle's location. Ground units quickly located the vehicle and obtained positive ID that it was the offender. The subject was subsequently arrested.
- Also on December 7 while on a call in the Foothills, Air 1 observed a suspicious vehicle (a grey or light blue compact car) driving without lights on in an area that officers were in. Air 1 observed the vehicle turn around and park. The vehicle then proceeded to a convenience store at Central and Western Skies. The driver went into the business, then returned to his car. Air 1 observed the subject drive behind and around a grocery store at Central and Four Hills driving in a manner that was not only suspicious but impeding traffic. Air 1 requested that a marked unit stop and check the vehicle. As Air 1 continued to follow the vehicle, Air 1 observed the vehicle turn from north bound Tramway onto the Eastbound off ramp for I-40; the vehicle proceeded westbound on the eastbound off-ramp onto eastbound I-40 (traveling west on the eastbound freeway). Air 1 updated the units of the vehicle's activities and updated them on its location; after a very short vehicle pursuit the vehicle was stopped on the freeway between Eubank and Juan Tabo. The driver was a 70-year-old male who was taken into custody for a mental health evaluation.
- On December 8, the Air Support Unit responded to a call at a southeast location in which an officer had in custody two subjects on a moped that matched the description of subjects that had just robbed a smoke shop. The subjects

attempted to run from the officer, dropping the moped. Another officer apprehended one of the subjects (a female) almost immediately and observed the second subject run west through an alley. Air 1 arrived and started a FLIR search of the area. Air 1 located a subject hiding, lying down in a field west of the first officer covered with large weeds. A perimeter was set up and K-9 units responded. A search team with K-9 units headed to the subject and took him into custody. The subject had felony warrants and was a target of an investigation to determine if the subject was involved in the robbery of the smoke shop.

- On December 22, Air5 flew Detective M. Morales of the Auto Theft Unit on a tactical plan to locate stolen vehicles on the Southwest Mesa. Detective Morales stated that they were looking for a specific vehicle in the area. Air5 immediately located the vehicle in question and Detective Morales was able to get GPS coordinates so that the vehicle could be recovered. The crew was also able to locate and get coordinates for several other possible stolen vehicles. The vehicles will be recovered by the Auto Theft Unit.

Special Operations Division...

- In December, the Bomb Squad responded to six bomb call outs. These included recovering 15 old road flares at a northeast residence; recovering a pipe bomb at a northwest location, and responding to a suspicious package that was beeping on Rainbow NW which turned out to be smoke detectors wrapped inside a bag.
- The Canine Unit conducted 79 building searches, 13 area searches, and made one apprehension in December.
- The Mounted Unit conducted various training sessions on defensive tactics, handcuffing from horseback, hand positions, and obstacle course training.
- In December, SWAT was activated for three call-outs and assisted the Field Services Bureau with calls for service in the Southeast and Northeast Area Commands.
- Metro APD officers completed a thorough check of all panic alarms inside Metro Court. All alarms were found to be functioning except for two. The issue was reported to court management and the alarms are now functioning.
- In December, the Prisoner Transport Unit

processed 1,568 prisoners through the Prisoner Transport Center. The Albuquerque Police Department arrested 1,298 prisoners, and other agencies arrested 270 prisoners. The Prisoner Transport Unit made 204 trips to MDC and accepted 12 walk-in prisoners at MDC. The savings in hours and fuel costs for the month of December was \$24,748.

Investigations Bureau...

- On December 4, the Intelligence Unit was called out to assist the APD ROP Unit in locating a homicide offender from the Valley Area Command. The Intel Unit utilized electronic surveillance equipment to locate the subject for the Homicide Unit.
- On December 5, the Intel Unit assisted the Vice Unit with a human trafficking investigation. The Intel Unit obtained an exigent order on a phone where a 5-year-old child was being held. The phone was located in Redding, California. The Redding Police department was directed to the residence and the child was located.
- On December 9, the Intel Unit assisted the Denver Police Department with a kidnapping investigation. The Intel Unit obtained two exigent orders on phones related to the investigation. Both cellular phones were located. The ROP Unit contacted and located the subjects at the residence.
- On December 4, the ROP Unit was called out by Violent Crimes to assist with a homicide investigation. The ROP Unit assisted Violent Crimes in identifying and detaining witnesses of the crime. ROP Unit staff apprehended two of the suspects in the case.
- On December 12, the ROP Unit assisted the Missing Persons Unit. The Missing Persons Unit had been contacted by authorities in Florida, requesting assistance in locating Mason Scudder, who was wanted for an outstanding felony warrant. The ROP Unit located Scudder and he was arrested and booked without incident.
- On December 21, the ROP Unit assisted the Robbery Unit. The Robbery Unit had obtained arrest warrants for a man who was identified as a repeat armed robbery offender of local dollar stores. The ROP Unit located the man and took him into custody without incident. The suspect was identified as the offender in at least three armed robberies.
- On December 1, Gang Unit detectives were contacted by Organized Crime Unit detectives requesting assistance in locating a fugitive. The man had attacked a store security guard, resulting in serious injuries to the victim. After approximately 20 hours of surveillance, the man was located and taken into custody without incident.
- On December 10, Gang Unit detectives assumed investigative responsibility for a shooting call (victim shot in the head several times). Through investigation, two suspects were positively identified. Both suspects had extremely violent criminal histories. Surveillance was set up, and both suspects were taken into custody at separate locations. Street Gangs assisted with the arrests.
- On December 12, a man eluded officers and detectives who were attempting to arrest him on several felony warrants. Gang detectives spent the next week contacting and arresting all known associates of the man until he was located on December 20. He tried to hide in the bathroom of his girlfriend's residence. The case resulted in three additional felony arrests for harboring/aiding a fugitive.
- The Vice Unit assisted the New Mexico State Police with a child support warrant round-up that resulted in the arrests of two individuals and clearing five felony arrests warrants. The Unit also conducted a narcotics investigation that resulted in the arrest of three individuals one of which was interviewed by Homicide detectives regarding the death of a local woman. Five grams of crack cocaine were seized during the investigation.
- The Vice Unit conducted a human trafficking investigation that resulted in the arrest of an offender as well as the discovery that the victim's daughter had been left with an unknown female in California by the offender. In cooperation with California Child Protective Services, New Mexico Children Youth and Families, and the Vice Unit, the child was returned to her mother and both were placed into a safe house.
- Eastside Narcotics completed 11 felony arrests in December, and nine arrests of suspects that had prior felonies. The Unit wrote and executed nine search warrants; submitted 14 cases to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution; seized six pounds of marijuana; three grams of methamphetamine; 17 grams of cocaine; 191 grams of heroin, and one firearm.
- Westside Narcotics completed nine felony

arrests in December, and seven arrests of suspects that had prior felonies. The Unit wrote six search warrants and executed six; submitted seven cases to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution; seized two pounds of marijuana; 14.5 grams of methamphetamine; 1.1 grams of cocaine; 12.9 grams of heroin, and six firearms.

Criminal Investigations Division...

- The Homicide Unit responded to six call outs in December. Five of the call outs were actual UCR homicides. The sixth was a major case. The Homicide Unit sent five cases to the District Attorney's office for prosecution. The Unit has 38 active cases.
 - The Armed Robbery Unit responded to 11 call outs and cleared 44 cases in December with 38 of those going to the District Attorney's office for prosecution. The Unit completed six arrests, wrote eight arrest warrants and served two search warrants. The Robbery Unit had 44 new cases assigned this month and received 100 new reports. The Unit has 42 active cases.
 - The Sex Crimes Unit responded to 10 call-outs in December, cleared 25 cases, and sent 13 cases to the District Attorney's office for prosecution. There were 25 new cases assigned. The Unit served five search warrants, and has 46 active cases. The Sex Crimes Unit made 50 referrals to the provider's side at the Family Advocacy Center (FAC) in December.
 - The FASTT Unit cleared 18 cases in December, sending six of those to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution. FASTT detectives reviewed 443 cases. The Unit has 13 active cases. The Unit generated 28 police reports, made three arrests, and obtained one arrest warrant. The Unit also made 10 referrals to the service provider side of the FAC.
 - There were 95 new runaways/missing persons reported to the Missing Persons Unit in December. The Unit cleared 100 total runaways/missing person cases. The Unit sent three cases to the District Attorney's office for prosecution. Detective Babcock went out on Christmas Day after receiving a tip, and located missing person Danielle Hassoun, who had been reported missing since October, 2011. On December 7, Detective S. Dyer was the on-call missing person detective. She received a call from the Chandler, Arizona Police Department to assist in the search for a missing elderly couple who left from Arizona en route to Albuquerque.
- Detective Dyer worked with Chandler PD, and together located the elderly couple, whose vehicle had broken down between Chandler and Albuquerque. The male survived, but the female passed away due to her health and bad weather conditions.
 - The CIT / COAST Unit assisted 380 individuals in December. The Unit completed 54 home visits and made 486 referrals for social services. The Unit also completed 24 threat assessments, nine hazard files and completed 13 officer safety bulletins.
 - In December, the Crimes Against Children Unit (CACU) received 702 referrals for review and possible assignment. The Unit cleared 59 cases and sent 10 cases to the District Attorney's office for prosecution. CACU responded to 22 call-outs and made four arrests. Four search warrants were performed in December. Detectives were assigned 74 new cases distributed among the eight detectives assigned to the unit. TDY Officer Mark Lillie assisted with referral checks and safe house interviews, resulting in 14 felonies investigated.
 - The Child Exploitation Detail (CED) cleared 13 cases. Of those, two cases were sent to the District Attorney's office for prosecution. CED assisted the Field Services Bureau by responding to 19 calls and participated in six investigations with outside agencies. CED also responded to five call outs. CED detectives completed 24 computer/cell phone forensic examinations in December.
 - In December, SORD conducted 42 verifications of registered sex offenders and performed 50 hours of surveillance. SORD detectives provided 21 APD officer assists and made 24 community contacts. Thirteen background investigations were completed during December. The Unit had nine call-outs in December.
 - In December, School Resource Officers continued implementing programs and training in the areas of G.R.E.A.T, lock down training, and traffic control plans. Members of the SRO Unit assisted in the Robbery tact plan. Officers Rael in coordination with other SRO officers conducted a lock down training exercise at Eldorado high school. SRO Officers their winter training including live fire and active shooter. Several SRO officers assisted in the Toys for Tots toy drive.

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