Southwest
Community Policing Council
July 7, 2021

Approximately 16 members of the public attended, including APD civilians and councilmembers.

CPC members present: Dr. Jonathan Madison, Stephanie Griego, Andrea Lester Young, Robbie Vigil, David Raza

CPC members not present: Joseph Kolozsy, Josue Rodriguez, Chris Sedillo, Wanda harrison

1. **Call to order**: 6:01 PM
2. Approval of Agenda: Approved
3. Approval of June Minutes: Approved
4. Mr. Adolpho Mendez, J.D.- Chief of Policy & Planning, Office of the Second Judicial District Attorney, Bernalillo County – State of New Mexico
   a. Programs Specialty courts
   b. Metro Court: Misdemeanor cases
      i. DA: Domestic Violence, DWI, and other cases that could get referred.
   c. District Court
      i. Felony Cases
   d. Community Veterans Court
      i. Before adjudication of guilt: do not have to plead guilty.
      ii. Diversion program court: VA hospital
   e. After pleading guilty: serious/repeated offenders
      i. Supervision
      ii. Treatment
      iii. Programs – VA hospital
   f. Multiple Specialty Courts
   g. District court: Veterans Diversion Program
   h. Similar diversion court as metro court

5. **Questions:**
   a. What are some factors that qualify a person for a diversion program?
   b. Would be interested in joining the court initiative and collaborate?
6. Major Dorothy Seaton- Chair of the Veteran’s Advisory Board, Santa Fe
   a. Discussions in Veterans Programs
   b. Veterans Court Initiative
   c. Advocacy Committee
   d. Veteran Court Concept
   e. Legislature and funding – Veterans Court
   f. Questions
      i. Is there support for the families?
      ii. Does data show what the success held for persons that completed the program, satisfied requirements, and have a productive and healthy life?
7. Lt. Colonel Tyron Finch – Veterans Transition Assistance Advisor, State of New Mexico
   a. Minor offense in court -will pleas guilty then put in treatment.
   b. During intake, they are asked about the veteran status.
      i. Give tools for veterans to be productive members of society.
   c. There is a high success rate in their program.
   Questions:
      What is the VIC and how one can access it if they are unaware?
      - Veterans Integration Services: https://nmvic.org/
      - Veterans Integration Services (505) 332-8092
Do services help diagnosis veterans with dementia?
Do you have support for veterans with dementia?

8. No crime reports.
9. Call to action: volunteer in the veteran’s diversion program
10. Next month’s meeting topic: Overrepresentation of persons of color in correctional facilities in NM.
11. Meeting Adjourned: 7:24 PM

To watch the Southwest CPC Council June Meeting, please watch below:

Topic: Homelessness & Veteran’s Diversion Programs
Date: July 7, 2021, 6:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)
Meeting Recording:

https://cabq.zoom.us/rec/share/W2Tbr1vcV8EdF_t2onYURI9Oj5iVr7tq-kCXLJ6qqUQZ4nuXhE_vCqY7RewXjmrssJ8mvdMloUYMw9bJH?startTime=1625702435000