## ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT GENERAL ORDERS

**SOP 1-45** 

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## <del>1-45 FAMILY ABUSE AND STALKING TRAINING TEAM (FASTT)</del>

## Related SOP(s), Form(s), Other Resource(s), and Rescinded Special Order(s):

A. Related SOP(s)

2-60 Preliminary and Follow-Up Criminal Investigations

2-78 Domestic Violence

B. Form(s)

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C. Other Resource(s)

(Placeholder. For example, Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Albuquerque and the Albuquerque Police Officers' Association)

D. Rescinded Special Order(s)

SO X Subject

## 1-45-1 Purpose

The purpose of the Family Abuse and Stalking Training Team (FASTT) Unit is to investigate stalking, harassment, repeat Domestic Violence (DV) offender, and violations of DV restraining order cases in order to help protect the safety of victims.

#### 1-45-2 Policy

It is the policy of the Albuquerque Police Department (Department) to use the FASTT Unit to investigate cases of stalking, harassment, repeat domestic violence, and violations of domestic violence restraining orders.

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## 1-45-3 Definitions (if applicable)

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## 1-45-4 Rules and Responsibilities

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- A. Field Services Bureau (FSB) sworn personnel and Impact Teams have primary investigative and enforcement responsibilities, consistent with SOP Domestic Violence.
- B. The FASTT Unit assumes case responsibility for:
  - 1. All stalking cases with the exception of stalking by those with behavior health
    - a. The Crisis Intervention Unit (CIU) shall be responsible for the mental health component of stalking cases involving individuals with mental health issues.
- C. The FASTT Unit shall provide:

## 1. Analysis;

- a. FASTT Unit shall review all DV harassment, and stalking-related reports, focusing on high lethality to the victim and increasing levels of violence.
- b. The FASTT Victim Liaison also examines past and present police reports, all relevant offender history and completes a lethality assessment to be given to the FASTT Sergeant for supervisory review.
- c. The FASTT Sergeant determines if the case will then be assigned a FASTT detective.
- d. Cases involving repeat and/or dangerous offenders shall be given priority.

#### 2. Question & Answer Resource:

- a. FASTT Unit detectives serve as a question and answer resource for Department personnel, as well as assisting non-Department agencies upon request in an effort to assist victims.
- b. FASTT Unit detectives are expected stay informed about the Family Violence Protection Act procedures for obtaining emergency and temporary restraining orders via the District Court, as well as other related legal issues.
- 3. Liaison with Community Groups
  - a. FASTT Unit detectives shall serve as community contacts and establish proactive relationships with DV and victim advocacy groups.
  - b. Detectives assist such groups with drafting and presenting proposed legislation.
- 4. Walk-In DV complaints at the Albuquerque Family Advocacy Center (AFAC)

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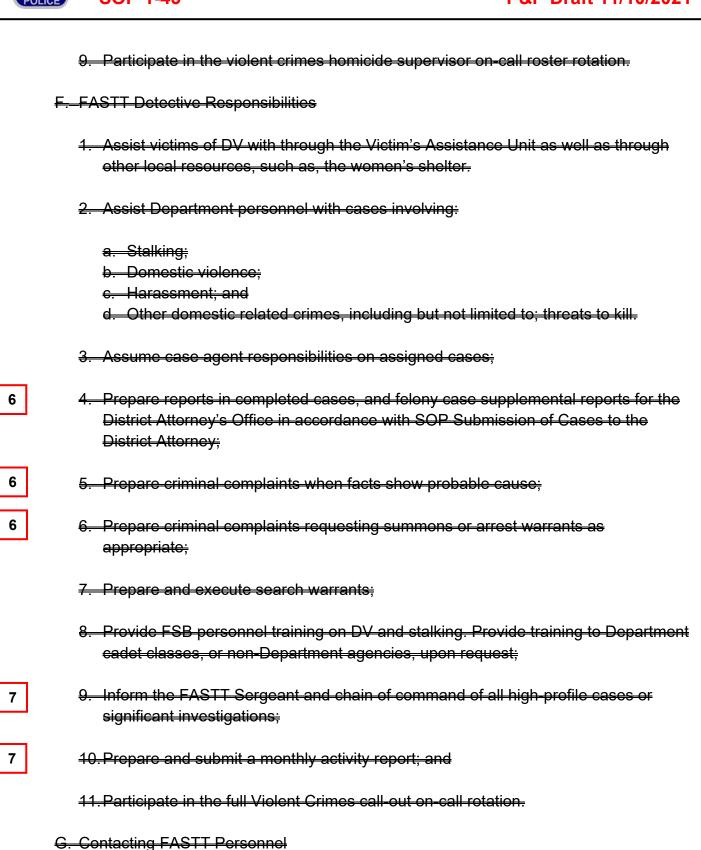
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- a. FASTT detectives serve as the primary detective contact for walk-in DV complaints at the AFAC or from the Victim's Assistance Unit.
- 7 5. Assistance to Victim Advocates (VA)
  - a. Upon request, FASTT detectives assist victim's advocates with investigative or other law enforcement-related functions.
  - D. Investigating Domestic Violence Involving Department Personnel
    - 1. The FASTT Unit shall not assume investigative responsibility for officer-involved domestic incidents unless directed by the Chief of Police or CID Deputy Chief.
    - 2. The FASTT Unit is assigned to investigate when it has been determined a conflict of interest exists between the involved officer and responding officers or supervisor, and the FASTT Unit involvement is in the best interest of the Department.
  - E. FASTT Sergeant Responsibilities
    - 1. Assign cases pursuant to the guidelines set forth within this policy section;
    - 2. Track assigned cases through the case management system;
    - 3. Supervise the activities of the FASTT Unit's civilian violent crimes victim liaison personnel.
    - 4. Review the completed Lethality Assessment and make case assignments regarding repeat high-risk offenders who exhibit an escalating pattern of domestic abuse;
  - Prepare monthly activity reports for the CID Lieutenant and Commander;
    - 6. Inform the CID Lieutenant and Commander of high profile or significant investigations:
    - 7. Conduct weekly briefings for FASTT personnel;
    - 8. Ensure FASTT detectives are assigned all necessary equipment to perform their iob functions; and

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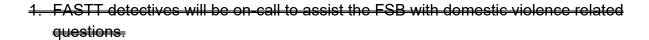




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2. Any and all reported DV-related threats to kill shall immediately be emailed to the FASTT Unit at apdfastt@cabq.gov.

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FASTT detectives conduct advanced training for Department personnel and other agencies, as directed through the chain of command.