



# APD NORTHEAST AREA COMMAND NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2024

### **Commander's Corner**

Greetings, with a new month upon us we have some changes for the Northeast Area Command. A new bid begins the second week of February, which will bring new officers and supervisors to the area command. My goal is to get these officers integrated and informed about the Northeast Area command to hit the ground running. Please continue to report crimes and violations through the Emergency Communications Center or Police substations.

Currently, we are seeing a rise in auto burglaries in the Northeast. Please be

reminded to not keep valuables in your vehicle over night or where they can be seen. It is never advisable to keep your vehicle title or the keys in your vehicle.

Also, double check to assure the doors are locked. Remember, crime prevention is a community effort.

I also urge all the neighborhood associations and our business partners to work with us as another resource and tool to prevent auto theft crimes. Please get in touch with me if you believe your neighborhood or business could use an auto theft bait vehicle or signage. Our crime prevention specialist can also provide recommendations in crime prevention depending on your location and needs.

Be vigilant and stay safe!

#### Interim Commander Ryan Nelson

#### Message from Chief Medina:

It has been a very busy start to 2024 and we have a lot to share with the community. This month the 128<sup>th</sup> Cadet Class will be graduating and it's going to be one of our largest classes in recent years.

I'm pleased to announce we've made significant progress with our recruiting and it shows in the number of applicants we're seeing come through our academy. The 128th Cadet Class will be



graduating on February 5<sup>th</sup> with 51 cadets. Many of this class are also from out of state which leads me to believe our national recruiting efforts have been effective.

As for retirements, we are also seeing less officers leaving the department. In 2022, I implemented an incentive package to help our department retain officers past 20 years of service, and I'm pleased with the shift we've seen in retention.

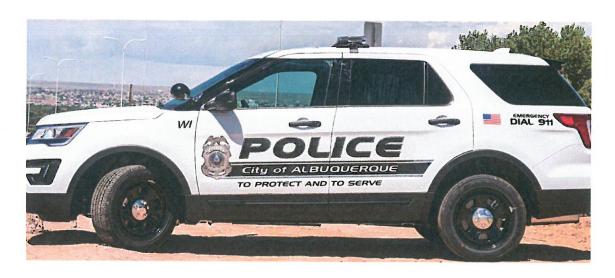
I am always forward thinking, and another change we've made in the last few years, is creating a pipeline of officers to grow our rank and file. The way I've been able to accomplish this, is ramping up recruiting for our Police Service Aide Program, (PSA). The 46th PSA class consists of 16 individuals that will play a critical role to officers in the field by securing police scenes, writing reports, and responding to minor traffic crashes, among other duties.

The 129<sup>th</sup> Cadet Class just began on January 29<sup>th</sup> with a total of 55

individuals. Of those, 50% of the class is from New Mexico, but we also have a cadet from Australia and another from Puerto Rico. This is the second cadet class to take part in a 2-week pre-academy which helps give them basic training prior to entering the Academy.

#### -Chief Harold Medina





CRIME STATS FOR JANUARY 2024

This information is pulled from daily Calls for Service, which reflects all calls made to APD's 911 Emergency Communications Center. It does not reflect all crimes that police investigate, nor the final outcome of crimes investigated. Furthermore it may not reflect the true location of crimes as they may have occurred in a different location from which they are reported.

To put that into perspective, APD receives about 500,000 calls for service each year. By contrast, about 120,000 police reports are generated each year, which is more reflective of actual crimes. For that reason, the information illustrated should not be used to determine crime trends.

### **Property Crimes**

Larceny (All Types) – 202
Auto Burglaries – 48
Residential Burglaries – 27
Commercial Burglaries – 59
Auto Thefts - 111
Disturbance – 549

#### **Person Crimes**

Family Offenses - 309
Aggravated Assault/Battery - 103
Robbery (All Types) - 18
Criminal Sexual Penetration - 12

Total Calls for Service - 7192

Northeast command proactive stats and staffing levels.

The following is a measure of self-initiated contacts over the last month. These contacts are either logged, specific patrols of problem areas or are contacts with individuals based on reasonable suspicion a crime is occurring. They do not represent contacts made during calls for service nor routine patrols in general areas while not responding to calls.

Field Briefings - 53
Logged Patrol Checks - 994
Traffic Stops - 510
Suspicious Contacts - 365

#### Northeast Current Staffing

Grave Watch I

Officers - 22 Sergeants - 4 Lieutenant - 1

Day Watch II

Officers - 23 Sergeants - 4 Lieutenant - 1

Swing Watch III

Officers - 12 Sergeants - 2 Lieutenant - 1

PRT

5 Officers, 1 Sergeant

# **APD NEAC OFFICER OF THE MONTH**



Officer Dan Galvan is the NE Officer of the Month for January. Officer Galvan is currently assigned to the NE Proactive Response Team (PRT).

I was born and raised in Los Lunas, NM. I enlisted in the Marines after High School, where I served for 8 years as an Infantryman. I joined the Albuquerque Police Department and have been in the field service since 2008. I Commissioned in the New Mexico National Guard in 2014. I have spent the last ten years as an Infantry Officer in the New Mexico National Guard. I have a bachelor degree in International Relations from the University of New Mexico where I graduated in 2012. I have four kids, ages 17 to 1. Two attend Sandia High School, one attends Madison Middle School, and 1 attends Fish Factory Swim School. I married my wife Kimberly in 2021 and she teaches 4<sup>th</sup> grade at Osuna Elementary.

# APD NEAC COMMUNITY OUTREACH



On Monday, February 5, 2024, Albuquerque Police Cadet class #128 graduated 51 new officers!



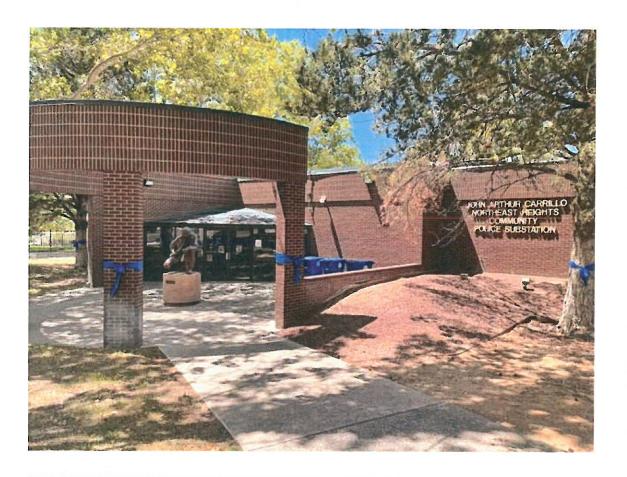


### **SUBSTATION FAQ'S**

The substation administrative staff fields hundreds of inquiries from citizens every week. Below are some of the most frequently asked questions.

#### Q: Can firearms or ammunition be surrendered to the substation?

A: All firearms and ammunition can be taken to the Metropolitan Forensic Science Center (APD Crime Lab). Any person wishing to surrender a firearm or ammunition will need to schedule an appointment by calling 505-823-4200. If items are being surrendered due to a court order or restraining order, an officer must be dispatched to collect the firearm and/or ammunition.





# **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Please check the city website for future events.

### NORTHEAST COMMUNITY POLICING COUNCIL

The Northeast Community Policing Council is looking for new volunteer members!

The Northeast policing council is looking for volunteer members to fill existing vacancies. The first step is to complete the application at the following link: <a href="https://www.cabq.gov/community-policing-council/community-policing-council-application/council-application/council-a

# **CONTACT US**

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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### **Hours of Operation:**

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