



Welcome to the Albuquerque Police Department
Downtown Substation
Don Perkins Public Safety Center
Newsletter 2026 Issue 69



We are located at 320 Central Ave SW, Downtown Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102

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Reporting Guidelines & Ways to Contact:

Knowing how and where to report an incident can help ensure the process goes smoothly. The Downtown Substation offers several reporting services for community members. Review the guidelines below before visiting.

Traffic Accident Reports: If you need to file a traffic accident report at the Downtown Substation, please bring the following documents:

- Valid Driver's License
- Vehicle Registration
- Proof of Insurance

These documents will help you complete the three-page accident report packet:

Page 1: Information about when and where the accident occurred, including details for both Vehicle 1 and Vehicle 2.

Page 2: Road and weather conditions, along with your required signature.

Page 3: A written narrative or diagram describing how the accident occurred.

Once the packet is complete, present your driver's license, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance to Substation staff. You will receive the original copy of the report, including the assigned case number, for your records.

Incident Reports: Many incident reports can be filed online at cabq.gov/police. If you are unable to submit your report online, you may visit any APD Substation with a valid driver's license or government-issued ID. Professional Staff will determine whether your report can be taken in person or if it requires an officer's response.

Please note: The substation cannot accept reports involving felony-level offenses or incidents with known suspect information. If you have questions about your situation, please contact **242-COPS (242-2677)** for assistance.

Periodic Watch Requests: Residents may request a periodic watch by calling the Downtown Substation or visiting in person. Periodic watches may be scheduled for up to two weeks, depending on the nature of the request.

- **Requesting Copies of Reports:** Copies of reports may be picked up at the Downtown Substation for: Non-complex incidents.
- Simple traffic accidents
- Reports involving unknown offenders or no offender information

Need Assistance? Call 242-COPS (2677)

Supervisor of the Month for August 2026

Sergeant Anthony Romero



Sergeant Anthony Romero has been selected as the Supervisor of the Month of August. He has been with the Albuquerque Department since August 2015 and is currently assigned to the Downtown Proactive Response Team under the Field Services Bureau.

Sergeant Romero has served as a sergeant for about one year and assumed leadership of the Downtown PRT team in March 2026. Prior to this assignment, he spent five years in the Gun Violence Reduction Unit, where he developed extensive expertise in gun violence, youth violence, firearm trends, and proactive enforcement strategies. He applied that experience to mentor and develop young officers

assigned to the Downtown District.

Sergeant Romero leads by example and sets high expectations for his officers. He motivates his team to perform at a high level and provides the coaching, guidance, and accountability needed for their professional growth. He ensures that officers conduct thorough investigations, properly document incidents, and complete vehicle search warrants when appropriate.

Under Sergeant Romero's leadership, his team recovered six handguns and one rifle within one month period. He also emphasizes community education by ensuring officers explain the dangers of leaving firearms unattended in vehicles, even when no crime has occurred, promoting public safety through engagement.

Sergeant Romero's leadership, motivation, and commitment to excellence have strengthened both his team and the Downtown District. His dedication to mentoring officers, fostering accountability and improving public safety makes him a highly deserving candidate for Supervisor of the Month.

Congratulations Sgt. Romero!



Substation Hours of Operation

Monday thru Friday 8am to 5pm

Closed 12pm to 1pm for Meal Break

Sr. Administration Assistant Betty Lou Chavez

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Police Command Staff for the Downtown District

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Dayshift Acting Sergeant

Corbin Waquie Email: cwaquie@cabq.gov

Monday thru Thursday Patrol Hours: 7am to 5pm

Swing shift Sergeant

Anthony Romero Email: asromero@cabq.gov

Wednesday thru Saturday Patrol Hours: 6 pm to 4am

Our command staff is available to assist with questions or concerns.

Dayshift Patrol Officers

- J. Casaus
- N. Halsey
- D. Kinzer
- C. Cooke-Lovato

Dayshift PSA's

- O. Barraza
- J. Lucero

Swing Shift Patrol Officers

- I. Hernandez
- D. Banuelos
- F. Trujillo
- D. Heshley
- A. Elliott

Swing Shift PSA

- E. Bailon

Valley Community Policing Council

Re-Cap for July 2026

This month we featured Vanessa Baca who directs the City of Albuquerque (CABQ) Office of Neighborhood Co-ordination. She brings neighborhood organizations, block captains, and other organizations together with city departments to promote public safety, such as the night out events across the city held August 4. There will be a Neighborhoods Summit October 24 at 10 A.M., at Los Duranes Community Center located at 2920 Leopoldo Rd NW.

City of Albuquerque (CABQ) Homelessness Innovation Officer Brittany Karnezis, PhD (Dr.K) leads an interdepartmental group examining City of Albuquerque Solid Waste Dept. property policies concerning the belongings of unhoused that are taken into custody, often in connection with arrests.

As with prior discussions regarding issues affecting the unhoused community, the meeting features a lively yet respectful exchange of perspectives. Discussions regarding City of Albuquerque (CABQ) and homelessness have not always been cordial during our meetings. This area is complex, contentious and difficult to improve.

As a reminder, the Community Policing Council members follow a code of conduct including being respectful and supportive of community members, including members of Albuquerque Police Department. We encourage everyone to be respectful, focus on the topic, don't interrupt, be concise, and speak with good intentions.

From Philip Jameson Chair of the Valley CPC

Got more questions?

Any ideas for topics or recommendations?

Feel free to email Council Chair: Philip Jameson at Email: pjameson5@comcast.net



What can 311 do for you?

Report: - Pavement Markings, Traffic Signals, Abandoned Vehicles, Broken Street Lights, Graffiti, Lost Animal, Animal Noise, Missed Trash Pickup, Restaurant Concern, Needles,

Request:- Zoo, Aquarium, and Botanical Garden, Ticket Information, Pay a Bill, Large Item Garbage Pickup, New Residential Trash or Recycle Bins, Bus Routes & Schedules, City Employment Opportunities, Bicycling Maps and Information, Adopt a Pet, Swimming Pools Information, Get involved with the City.

ABQ 311 Ways to Contact:

Dial 311 to speak to an agent: The 311 Community Contact Center service is a single telephone number for any non-emergency City of Albuquerque inquiries and services. 311 provides information and takes service requests.

Hours Monday to Saturday 7am to 7pm.

Click on the web link: [How to Contact 311 — City of Albuquerque](#) for full details.

Adopt a Business Program

Strengthening our commercial community through partnerships.

The **Adopt-a-Business** program bridges the gap between Albuquerque business owners and the Albuquerque Police Department. Designed to enhance safety, improve communication, and support local merchants, the program pairs participating commercial corridors with dedicated offer liaisons within their respective Area Commands.

- **How it Works-** Dedicated Area Command Liaisons: Participating businesses are connected with designated APD Officer Liaisons who understand the specific needs and trends of their commercial corridor.
- **Proactive Safety & Crime Prevention:** Officer Liaisons conduct routine walk-throughs and work directly with business owners to identify security vulnerabilities before issues escalate.
- **Streamlined Communication:** Creates a structured line of contact for non-emergency safety guidance and corridor concerns, working alongside standard dispatch channels.

Please note: Adopt a Business is a proactive partnership tool and does not replace emergency dispatch series. For active emergencies always dial **911**. For non-emergency dispatch call **242-COPS**.

To enroll in this program please contact your local APD Area Commander or Crime Prevention Specialist.

Click on the website link below so you can find information on the program.

[Adopt a Business Program — City of Albuquerque](#)



Join the Downtown Public Safety ECHO

(Extension for Community HealthCare Outcomes)

Every 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month.

Nob Hill University ECHO

Will return every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 1 pm

Contact ECHO Coordinator Darryl DeLoach for an invitation at

Phone: 505-549-0660 Email: ddeloach@cabq.gov

JOIN IN PERSON at Studio 519 Located at 519 Central Ave SW or

[Join on Zoom](#)

Meeting ID: 840 6709 0034 - Password: Downtown or

Phone in: dial 1-646-558-8656 Enter the meeting ID: 840 6709 0034# then hit # again.

**Public Safety
ECHO**

Be part of the conversation
To join either session, or BOTH! Please scan below

Downtown ECHO
Every 2nd & 4th Thursday at 1 pm
Next scheduled session,
September 24 (TBD)



Scan me!



Scan me!

**Nob Hill &
University ECHO**
Every 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 1 pm
September 16th for UNM Crisis Management

New Mexico State Fair Safety Tips

**September 4-7 (Midway Preview Weekend)
September 10-20**

- Stay aware of your surroundings, especially in large crowds. Note the locations of exits, first aid stations and security personnel
- Establish a meeting point in case someone gets separated. Agree on a central location
- Keep your personal items secure
- For young children take advantage of the New Mexico State Police "Tag Your Tots." Visit the booth located just south of the Fine Arts Gallery.
- Notify staff if you see any hazards or suspicious activity
- Make sure to park in a well lit area and remove all valuables prior to attending



We're pleased to share these helpful safety tips from our Valley Area Crime Prevention Specialist.

Brittany Martinez, she is a wonderful resource for our community and is available to provide information, and promote awareness to keep our community safe. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please feel free to reach out to her using the contact Information below.

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