

ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Congratulations to Deputy Commander Jose Sanchez!



In 2006, Deputy Commander Jose Sanchez joined the Albuquerque Police Department as a Field Services Officer. He worked collateral duties with the Emergency Response Team, APD Honor Guard, and as a Crisis Intervention Officer.

In 2014, he was promoted to Sergeant and continued to work with the Emergency Response Team and the APD Honor Guard.

In 2018, Lt. Sanchez was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and has been assigned to The Field Services Bureau.

In 2021, he was assigned to the Valley Area Command, Downtown Unit where he is currently serving, and made community policing part of his duties. Within the community engagements he has built meaningful relationships with Stakeholders, Schools, Community Members and Residents. He is compassionate with the unhoused population and works building partnerships for long term solutions.

In January 2024, he was promoted to Deputy Commander. DC Sanchez served 5 years in the United States Navy and is currently a member of the New Mexico Air National Guard, where he continues to serve the state and country and has done so for over 20 years.

Deputy Commander goes above and beyond his duties. As a leader, his commitment Downtown has improved the quality of life. His dedication to the department has made downtown a safe place to live and work.

**Congratulations and Thank You for your service!
We appreciate you!**

MESSAGE FROM CHIEF HAROLD MEDINA

It has been a very busy start to 2024 and we have a lot to share with the community. This month the 128th 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 5th 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 129th Cadet Class just began on January 29th 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.



Another factor that has been critical to growing our cadet classes is through our pre-hire program. In the 128th Cadet Class, 28 cadets were pre-hires and in the 129th, 19 were pre-hires. This allows us to bring candidates in as new hires prior to their class starting, to immerse them in the department and retain them while they await an upcoming Academy.



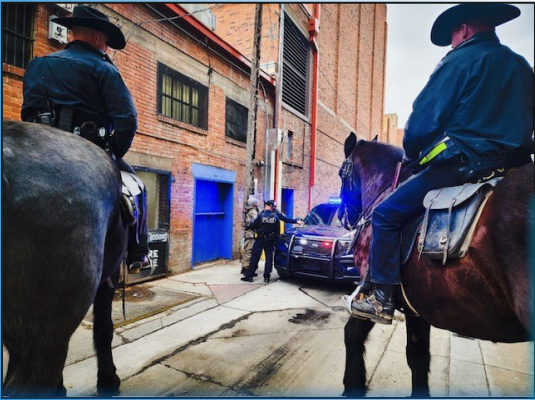
We are always looking for more candidates to join our department whether it be in a sworn or civilian role, and I encourage anyone interested in a career in law enforcement to consider APD as a place to serve and protect your community.

Anyone interested can visit: <https://apply.apdonline.com/>

“Thank you to our community for your continued support and for working with us as we continue to grow and evolve as a law enforcement agency.”

-Chief Harold Medina-

HIGHLIGHTS



Downtown Dayshift Officer's were assigned a tact plan with the APD Horse Mounted Unit for cleaning encampments along the Central Corridor. Patrols also included the Downtown district and people loved seeing the officers on horseback.



Top & bottom photos taken by Sgt. Mel Acata.

DOWNTOWN PUBLIC SAFETY ECHO

Invite Downtown People!

This is a public, open forum and we welcome all!

Do you have a Public Safety Issue?

(Extension For Community HealthCare Outcomes)

Every 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 1:00 PM -2:30PM Join us to address community safety issues, build skills, learn new tools and best practices for a healthy and happy, safe Downtown.

VIDEO CONFERENCE IN VIA ZOOM, PC, MAC IOS OR ANDROID:

Zoom in: https://cabq.zoom.us/j/83993189320

Meeting ID: 893 9318 9320 Password: Downtown Phone in: dial 1-646-558-8656 Enter the meeting ID: 896 9318 9320 # - then hit # again.

The session will be videotaped to share on the city's website. For further information please log on to: www.cabq.gov/echo Or contact Darryl DeLoach, Social Services (ECHO) Coordinator Email: ddeloach@cabq.gov Phone: 505-549-0660



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COP ON THE CORNER



SUBSTATION HOURS Mon.-Fri. 8:00am —5:00PM Closed on Holidays - For an emergency dial 911 Non Emergency dial 242-COPS

Current Staffing Dayshift Hours Mon-Thurs 7:00 AM—5:00PM

- PATROL: DC Jose Sanchez, Sgt. Mel Acata, Officer Eric Giles, Officer Hannah Goodman, Officer Richard Sedillo, Officer Geoffrey Cummings, Officer Mike Avila

Swing Shift Hours 6:00 PM -4:00AM Wed-Sat PATROL:

- Sgt. Elisa Valdez, Officer Alicia Marquez, Officer Jose Gomez, Officer Nicholas Dickerson, Officer Richard Lakey

Civilian Staff: Mon -Friday 8:00 AM—5:00 PM Betty Lou Chávez Sr. Administrative Assistant Email: BettyLouChavez@cabq.gov Phone: 505-768-4735

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ALEXA on ABQ311

CRIME PREVENTION NEW INITIATIVES

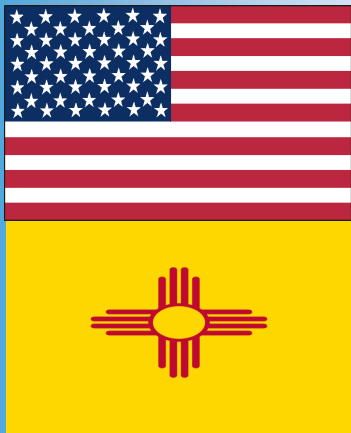
Report issues using the ABQ311 Web App. on "ALEXA."

Service Requests:

- Abandoned Vehicles
- Missed Trash or Recycling Pickup
- Request Large Item Pickup
- Report Weed and Litter Violations
- Report Graffiti
- Look up the status of an existing 311 Ticket

For further information visit: www.cabq.gov/311/connect-with-us/alexa

Or click on the YOUTUBE link for a video tutorial. <https://youtu.be/A0RhFL0Q4>



The Albuquerque Police Department is partnering with Smart911 to improve access to information during an emergency. Smart911 allows you to create a profile with critical information regarding who is in the household, special needs, medical information, pets, access instructions and more.

The information is seen only if you have to call 911 and can assist first responders as they are dispatched and arriving on scene. Your profile also travels with you and information is displayed to a call taker in any area that has Smart911.

For more information please visit :Smart911.com

We have also partnered with Zencity to conduct a public safety survey. The survey will relate to satisfaction with public safety and community safety. The survey will be pushed out through social media feeds.

For more information please visit zencity.com

Ongoing Initiatives

Neighborhood Watch – Empowers neighbors to become active in their community, receive crime prevention education and participate with their block.

Crime Free Multi-Housing – Partnership with rental property owners, managers, and residents to reduce crime in rental property through education and physical improvements.

Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) – Effective use of the built environment to reduce crime. CPTED principles can be applied to all types of property from single family homes to businesses and house of worship.

Community Education – Community workshops on general crime prevention, id theft/scams, workplace safety and more.

Community Engagement – Joining with our community in various types of events – National Night Out, Neighborhood Association meetings, Business Alliances, Health and Safety Fairs.

For further information please contact: Laura Kuehn, NCPS, ICPS Senior Crime Prevention Specialist at Phone: 505-768-2006 or Email: LKuehn@cabq.gov

VALLEY STATS FOR BEAT 224 & 225

February 2024	224	225
Auto Burglary	2	6
Commercial Burglary	3	0
Residential Burglary	0	0
Auto Theft	2	8
Robbery – Auto	1	0
Robbery – Commercial	0	0
Robbery – Individual	0	0
Robbery - Residential	0	0

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 1 million calls service each year. By contrast, about 145,000 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.