#### 2023 Issue 39 Albuquerque Police Department We are located in: The Rosenwald Building Welcome To The Don Perkins 320 Central Ave SW **PUBLIC SAFETY CENTER E-NEWSLETTER** Suite 100, 87102 Sub-Station Phone: 505-768-4735 **INSIDE THIS ISSUE:** APD OFFICER OF THE MONTH APD Officer—Month Pg. 1 ERIC GILES Eric Giles -June 2023 Public Safety ECHO Pg. 2 Meet Swing shift Ofc.'s Pg. 2 Cumming & Couch Crime Prevention Pg. 3 Specialist- Lamont Davis Professional Staff Member June 2023 **Congratulations! Officer Giles** Cops Against Cancer Pg. 4 you are a role Fundraiser model to every Gun Violence Pg. 5 one of us. Awareness 4th of July Safety Tips Pg. 6 Sub-Station Email : DowntownAPD@caba.gov Phone: 505-768-4735To view past E-Newsletters visit: https: www.cabq.gov/police/area-After retiring from the military, Officer Eric Giles joined the Albuquerque Police Downtown Public Safety **Command Supervisors** Currently, for the past 3 years he has been with the Downtown PRT and enjoys the **Commander Nick Wheeler** Phone: 505-761-8800 downtown community. Officer Giles hope to be downtown as long as possible. He has Email: worked both swing and day shift patrols and his favorite part of swing shift was engaging in community outreach by attending homework diners for the Downtown nwheeler@cabq.gov School Collaborative. By doing so he built strong relations among the community and Lt. Jose Sanchez within the police department. He participated in "Moving Together" at Longfellow Mobile: 505-252-2589 Elementary School as they featured a school video with Officer Giles who was happy? Email: to help join in to support their events by working together. josesanchez@cabq.gov Working with the APD has provided Officer Giles with a rewarding career. He has Sgt. Mel Acata Email: Macata@cabq.gov trained over 10 new recruits. He has made new friends that support his career choice. Mobile: 505-553-2225 His goal downtown is to increase safety and reduce crime, while supporting one another and is always excited to work with everyone towards this effort. Sgt. Jason Brown Officer Giles has been a resident of Albuquerque for 13 years and when he is not $\hat{\star}$ Email: working he loves spending time with his family and playing with his grandkids. Jasonbrown@cabq.gov Mobile: 505-451-9513 "Every day is a different and unique challenge that I enjoy as an opportunity to learn 2 and better myself for my family and my community." ~Officer Eric Giles ~ Click link: Moving Together! Downtown Community Schools Collaborative and NHI -YouTube to see the "Working Together" Video.

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Albuquerque Police Department Don Perkins Public Safety Center Hours Monday—Friday 8:00 AM -5:00 PM Closed 12:00 PM-1 :00 PM

#### Day shift Schedule: 7:00 AM-5:00 PM Mon-Thurs PATROL:

- Lt. Sanchez
- Sgt. Mel Acata
- Officer Eric Giles
- Officer Hannah Goodman
- Officer Mike Avila
- Officer Richard Sedillo

#### Swing shift Watch :

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- Sgt. Jason Brown
- Officer Chance Gore
- Officer Alex Couch
- Officer Geoffrey Cummings

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### HAVE A QUESTION OR CONCERN: EMAIL THE SUB-STATION

DowntownAPD@cabq.gov

## DOWNTOWN PUBLIC SAFETY ECHO

(Extension For Community HealthCare Outcomes) Thursdays 1:00 PM -2:30PM Join us to address community safety issues, Build skills, learn new tools and best practices for a Healthy , Happy, Safe Downtown! VIDEO CONFERENCE IN VIA ZOOM, PC, MAC IOS OR ANDROID: https://zoom.us/i/5052273877

MEETING ID: 505-227-3877 PSW: DOWNTOWN PHONE IN: DIAL: 1-646-558-8656 ENTER MEETING ID : 505-227-3877# -THEN HIT # AGAIN

<u>July Schedule</u>: July 13 and July 27 Please visit <u>www.cabq.gov/echo</u> To view past echo sessions visit: https://www.cabq.gov/echo/past-echo-sessions-archive

> For further information please log on to: <u>www.cabq.gov/echo</u> Or contact Maria Wolfe at Mobile: 505-917-5559 Email: mwolfe@cabq.gov



# MEET TWO OF OUR DOWNTOWN SWINGSHIFT OFFICERS OFC. GEOFFREY CUMMINGS AND OFFICER ALEX COUCH



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## **APD Valley Crime Prevention Specialist** Lamont Davis Professional Staff Member of The Month for June 2023



"Congratulations! To Crime Prevention Specialist, Lamont Davis he has been selected as the Professional Staff Member of the Month for June. He has been with the Albuquerque Police Department since December 2022, and is currently assigned to the Valley Area Command.

Since joining APD, Mr. Davis's willingness to learn, grow and help all departments and community members has been remarkable. While learning everything he can about his position, he also takes the time to learn about policing and how things should be done. To expand his knowledge of the Department, he also signed up for the Citizens Police Academy.

He does all this while ensuring he attends all required community meetings. Over the past couple of months, not only has he handled all things related to the Valley Area Command, but he also covered the entire Southeast Area Command due to them not having a Crime Prevention Specialist.

Mr. Davis has been instrumental in organizing numerous community events in both the Valley and Southeast where the community and officers can engage in meaningful conversations."

Way to Go Lamont!

You're an inspiration!







### Thank you for your continued support to the Downtown Public Safety District.

The area is defined on the east by Broadway Boulevard, on the north by Lomas, Boulevard NW, on the south by Lead Avenue NW, and on the west by 12th Street NW.





### COPS AGAINST CANCER FUNDRAISER



FUND THE FIGHT WITH A T-SHIRT & TASTY FRITO PIE TO SUPPORT OUR OFFICERS! On June 30, at Civic Plaza was a Frito Pie Fundraiser. The funds raised will benefit Officers Ian Fraser and Officer Richard Anderson who are fighting cancer and Sgt. Alexander Lewis who is trying to save his leg following an accident.

Downtown officers participated in helping along with the Mounted Patrol, Tactical and APD Low Rider, music and great community.

Thank you to our community and our amazing supporters for making this event happen.

- Duke City Gladiators
- Erin Chizm w/ Graphic Connections
- ♦ Albertsons
- Albuquerque Convention Center
- Ambitions Mobile Media
- ♦ Baca Boys Café
- Bourbon & Boots
- ♦ Canvas Artistry
- Garcia Kitchen









Gun Violence Awareness



Offenders to face federal charges for gun crimes near downtown schools

"Offenders who use guns to commit crimes Downtown could be charged federally if the crimes occur within 1,000 feet of a school. There are six schools in the downtown district between Lomas Blvd. and Coal Ave., and 12<sup>th</sup> Street and Broadway Ave. The buffer zones around the schools cover most of the downtown district. Under the federal Gun-Free School Zones Act, firearms are prohibited in school zones to include in or on the grounds of a public, parochial or private school, or within 1,000 feet from the grounds."

"I will continue to fight against gun violence in our city with every tool we have. This is a very innovative approach that sends a clear message to anyone who thinks they can come downtown and use a gun to commit a crime, we will catch you and pursue full federal gun charges, and get you off the street," said Mayor Tim Keller. "We will continue to use every tool we have to crack down on gun violence, and we are putting criminals on notice in downtown Albuquerque."

"APD is joining forces with the U.S. Attorney's Office, which will prosecute gun crimes that violate federal law related to gun crimes around schools. The City is posting signs throughout Downtown to let people know they are in a school zone where federal firearms restrictions apply."

"If convicted of violating gun-free school zone laws, you could face up to five years in prison and a maximum fine of \$5,000."

For further Information visit: <u>APD Ramps Up Downtown Gun Enforcement Downtown — City of</u> <u>Albuquerque (cabq.gov)</u>



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#### FOURTH OF JULY SAFETY TIPS

"Report Illegal Fireworks: Online, The ABQ311 Mobile App and by calling 311

Fireworks are strictly prohibited in and around the **Bosque or Open Space Areas.** 

To report fireworks outside Albuquerque city limits, please contact the following: Bernalillo County: (505) 798-7000 | Rio Rancho: (505) 891-7226

Using fireworks, both legal and illegal, can be extremely dangerous to yourself and others by not following safe practices. Be mindful of your surroundings and obey all laws pertaining to the use of fireworks where you live. Please be considerate of your neighbors (citizens with PTSD, elderly, young children) and pets as loud noises can be traumatizing and disruptive."

For more information visit online at: https://www.cabq.gov/fireworks



# Fireworks safety tips.



Have water or a fire extinguisher nearby.



Never light near dry grass.



Be aware of windy conditions.





Supervise children at all times.

Source: Fourth of July Safety Tips - Neighbors Public Safety Service Help Center (ring.com)

# Fourth of July Pet Safety.

Many pets become so frightened by the noise and commotion of fireworks that they run from familiar environment and people, and sadly become lost. Here are some ways to keep them safe:

- Keep pets inside.
- · Keep the windows closed.
- · Ensure pets have ID tags.

- Comort pets with treats and toys.
- Walk pets beforehand.
- Play music to combat outside noises.

Source: ASPCA, The Humane Society of the United States