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Good Day to all of our residents of the Northwest Area Command. We have started a new officer bid and I am happy to inform you all that the vast majority of officers and nearly all the supervisors (Lieutenants and Sergeants) stayed for the next year. This will greatly help to continue the various crime enforcement efforts we currently have underway here in the Northwest. Spring is right around the corner and with warmer weather we are all looking forward to getting back out doors and enjoying the sites, businesses and activities here in Albuquerque. I would like to take a quick opportunity to remind you all to lock up your valuables and place them out of sight. Also with more and more people out riding bikes, walking their dogs or just enjoying the fresh air please slow down and watch your speed. We will be focusing on traffic enforcement especially in the residential neighborhoods and bike path areas. Our officers are working diligently to ensure everyone has a great spring and can enjoy the outdoors. Lastly, remember to please be responsible when you are out socializing with friends and family and to get a designated driver.



Northwest Area Command Lieutenant's Corner

NORTHWEST AREA COMMAND WATCH I LIEUTENANT CABRERA



Day shift is continuing to work with businesses to ensure property crimes are enforced. This includes mostly shoplifting and criminal trespass. We want to ensure that businesses are not overwhelmed with financial loss due to crime. We want to ensure patrons feel safe when they patron our businesses. We are continuing to work traffic tact plans mostly along the Coors corridor but we are also focused in residential areas. We have been busy these winter months ensuring subjects are not starting fires. We are ensuring that we offer individuals services to go to shelters to get warm and fed, but open fires will not be tolerated due to public dangers. We are not through winter yet, so if conditions are bad, I highly recommend travel in inclement weather only when absolutely necessary or emergency. We had numerous crashes on the day of 02/10 and many were citizens doing just normal errands, something that could have been avoid-

NORTHWEST AREA COMMAND WATCH II LIEUTENANT Andrew Quillmann

Hello everyone. As we settle into the new year, your swing shift officers are working diligently to keep the area command safe. Efforts are being made to specifically target property crime in the area command. This will include commercial burglary, residential burglary, auto burglary, auto theft, and shoplifting. Of course officers are also working to reduce the various crimes that drive property crime. Traffic enforcement continues all along Coors, along Unser and other high traffic areas. The warrant round-up work has been successful throughout the city and we continue that work here in the northwest area command. Please let us know about your concerns and keep in mind how important it is to report crime and suspicious activity when you see it.

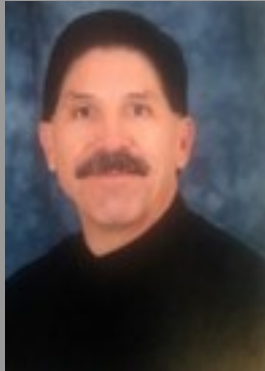
NORTHWEST AREA COMMAND WATCH III LIEUTENANT Larry Middleton

Hello Northwest area Command. We started the new bid and have some new faces added to the Northwest. The officers are excited to start a new adventure and or continue to work in projects from last year. Looking forward to another bid! Please reach out if you need anything !





Northwest Area Command Crime Prevention Corner



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Crime Prevention

Bike Safety Tips 10 Smart Rules to Bike Safety:

1. **Protect Your Head:** Wear a helmet.
2. **Stay Visible:** If drivers can see you, they are less likely to hit you. Use lights when biking at night or in low-light conditions.
3. **Look, Signal & Look Again:** Use hand signals to let drivers and other bicyclists know where you're going. Look and make eye contact. Don't assume drivers will stop.
4. **Stay Alert :** Keep a lookout for obstacles in your path.
5. **Go with the Flow:** Bike in the direction of traffic.
6. **Act like a Car:** Drivers are used to the patterns of other drivers. Don't weave in and out of traffic. The more predictably you ride, the safer you are. Check for traffic. Be aware of traffic around you.
7. **Don't Get Distracted:** Don't listen to music or talk on the phone while riding.
8. **Obey all Traffic Laws & Lights .**
9. **Assure Bicycle Readiness** Is your bicycle properly adjusted? Is your saddle in a comfortable position?
10. **Do a Quick Bicycle Test** Check your brakes and your wheels. Make sure that "quick release" wheels are properly secured.



Northwest Area Command Community Policing Council Corner



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CPC meeting , 3rd Wednesday of every month at the Taylor Ranch Community Center or zoom.

Council Goals

The goal of each Community Policing Council is to engage in candid, detailed and meaningful dialogue between Albuquerque Police and the citizens they serve. Councils are independent from the City and Department. They are encouraged to formally recommend changes to Albuquerque Police Department policies and procedures. They are also asked to make recommendations and identify concerns, problems, successes and opportunities within each area command and for the department as a whole.

Council Membership

The NWCPC meets in person at the Don Newton Multi Generational Center or alternatively, meetings can be attended via zoom. The CPC members are volunteers. CPC members are composed of members from the community and voting members. Voting members must reside within or have businesses within the boundaries of their area command.

All attendees (members) are encouraged to submit recommendations, provide input concerning recommendations, ask questions and submit topics for discussion.

The zoom meeting link is;

https://cabq.zoom.us/webinar/regar/WN_V5qbQrtfTha7RkMTDxTDCW

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Northwest Area Command Community Partnership and Outreach Corner



Community Partnership and Outreach:

APD'S COAST Outreach (Crisis Outreach and Support Team):

The COAST team continues to work with the West Side Homeless shelter , service providers and Field Officers to ensure that the homeless and most vulnerable are being offered shelter and resources. Service providers are continuing to do homeless outreach throughout the City.

Coffee with a Cop: at various restaurant locations:

Coffee with a Cop is an opportunity to interact with the officers assigned to their neighborhoods and ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the police officers in your community.

Cop on the Corner: at various neighborhood locations.

The Albuquerque Police Department launched a new program called "Cop on the Corner" to help build relationships with the communities where officers patrol. The program will give people the opportunity to attend police field briefings where they can interact with the officers assigned to their neighborhoods. The day shift officers and swing shift officers hold briefings at various neighborhoods.

Business Coalition meetings:

We have three community business locations. The Westside area businesses, Riverside area businesses and the Cottonwood area businesses. We are working with the businesses to identify and reduce criminal activity. In the meetings we will identify the business stakeholders that will be involved, concerns on any type of criminal activity. We will talk about resources that can be used to deter and reduce criminal activity and provide crime prevention training, business security assessments and educate the businesses concerning property crimes.

Crime Prevention, Neighborhood Watch Program:

The NW Area Command has over 100 neighborhood watch programs and block captains. We have established an excellent rapport and understanding of the needs and concerns of the neighborhoods and block captains within their respected neighborhoods. The block captain/officer initiative program strengthens the ties between the officers, and the community.

ADAPT Program (Abandoned & Dilapidated Abatement Property Team):

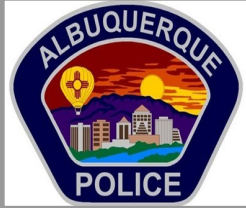
The program identifies and addresses abandoned and /or dilapidated properties that become public nuisance because they have a pattern of calls for service, serious criminal activity or because they pose a public safety threat. The goal is to work with property owners to increase the health, safety, and welfare of the buildings and the community. Through community policing we will reduce crime and increase quality of life in the area.





Northwest Area Command Community Outreach

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



APD'S COAST (Crisis Outreach and Support Team) is continuing to work with the West Side Homeless shelter , service providers and Field Officers to ensure that the homeless and most vulnerable are being offered shelter and resources. Along with this collaboration , we are stressing the importance of education for this population due to limited access or knowledge to some of the safety measures. Masks , hygiene, water and food are being provided on a daily basis to those that are not wanting to go to the shelters. Service providers are continuing to do homeless outreach throughout the City. The Westside Emergency Housing Center is continuing to remain open 24 hours, 7 days a week and will accommodate as many people as possible. The City opened up hotels to assist with shelter numbers, this is helping keep the most vulnerable and families safe and provide social distance. The staff at the shelter has been working hard to keep everyone safe.

Important Numbers:

311-City Resources

Homeless Assistance-505-768-HELP

Adult Protective Services-1-866-654-3219

NM Crisis/Warm Line-1-855-466-7100

Domestic Violence Hotline-1-800-799-7233

Legal Aid-505-633-6694 (Questions about evictions)

Suicide Prevention dial 988 (Emergency 911)

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (8255) <https://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org> .

Crisis Outreach and Support Team (COAST): 505-924-6000

Abandoned and Dilapidated Abatement Property Team ADAPT Program: A.F.D. 505-833-7300



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Northwest Area Command Albuquerque Community Safety

Where does ACS fit in the public safety system?

ACS is a cabinet-level public safety department, meaning we operate independently from and in collaboration with APD and AFR. What makes ACS different is our use of a public health model with a non-law enforcement-led response. ACS allows 911 dispatch to send trained professionals with backgrounds in behavioral and mental health and social services to non-violent and non-medical calls. The goal is to deliver the right response at the right time and to improve access to the broad range of social services from government and community-based organizations.

ACS responders use motivational interviewing, crisis intervention, de-escalation, cultural healing, and other proven strategies to address needs. ACS also addresses calls that do not require a behavioral health background, such as needle pickup and abandoned vehicles. ACS responders do not make arrests or issue citations, and instead connect individuals and families to services and resources in the community.

Our Goals

ACS has a clear and critical focus as the newest branch of the City's 911 response. We have four strategic goals we aim to achieve in order to make an impact in Albuquerque. For more detailed information on our strategic plan, download our Organizational Plan.

Respond: Increase public safety by providing a holistic and trauma-informed response to calls for service.

Build: Establish a sustainable and long-term presence that is woven into the community and the public safety ecosystem.

Engage: Activate community partnerships and strengthen community engagement by enhancing relationships, trust, information sharing, and capacity building between the community and ACS.

Influence: Leverage ACS's position and knowledge to influence and inform the ongoing evolution of the larger (e.g., county, state, national) system of care.

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Northwest Area Command Photos

West Bluff Business Coalition Meeting



Coffee with a Cop at the Palmilla Senior Center





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're 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

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