

Northwest Area Command Commander Chris Patterson Corner

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Happy Spring to all our residents here in the Northwest Area Command! It's that lovely time of year when things start to warm up and the winds pick up as well. We here are getting ready for the upcoming Field Officer Bid. For those of you who are not aware once a year our officers, sergeants and lieutenants bid to establish their days off, shifts and area commands that they will work for the next year. At this point the lieutenants and sergeants have bid and the officers will bid here shortly. I am happy to announce that Lt. Juan Cabrera will be staying with us on dayshift, and we will have two new lieutenants joining us on swing and graveyard. As for sergeants we had almost all of our current sergeants rejoin us except for a new addition of Sgt. Valdez who will be assigned one of our swing sergeant spots. Our officers are moving from a 12 hour schedule to a 10 hour schedule which is going to add some additional officers to the Northwest which is a great addition to the area command. Lastly, with the warmer weather please watch your speeds in neighborhoods as the kiddos will be out and about enjoying the sun and fresh air.





Northwest Area Command Lieutenant's Corner

NORTHWEST AREA COMMAND WATCH I LIEUTENANT Juan Cabrera



Lt. Cabrera is out of the country visiting.

NORTHWEST AREA COMMAND WATCH II LIEUTENANT Jeremy Lujan

Hello Northwest Area command , Happy early spring to all. As it starts to warm up Northwest swing shift has been working in conjunction with the motors unit to combat drag racers within the area command. We have seen a positive impact with more Police presence within the designated hot spot areas that have been targeted. Stay safe and please continue to communicate with us if you see any issues within our area command.

NORTHWEST AREA COMMAND WATCH III LIEUTENANT Ross Vanderlip

In February, Northwest grave officers maintained a high operational tempo, responding to hundreds of calls for service while conducting more than 400 proactive on-site activities. These efforts included over 150 traffic stops, with a focused enforcement strategy targeting areas identified for street racing and aggressive driving.

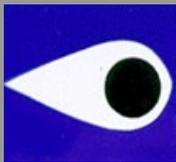
As a result of these enforcement initiatives, officers issued numerous citations and made several DWI arrests. In addition to traffic enforcement, officers conducted periodic directed patrols and area watches in identified hotspots to deter ongoing criminal and traffic-related activity.

Overall, February's activity reflects a sustained commitment to proactive policing, traffic safety enforcement, and targeted crime deterrence within the Northwest district.





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Crime Prevention Corner

Crime Prevention Tips for Runners and Walkers

Each year more and more people take up running and walking because it is a quick, inexpensive way to stay fit. If you travel often, running or walking is an excellent way to maintain your exercise regimen. Here are few pointers to help you keep safe when you hit the road.

Before you leave:

- Plan your outing. Always tell someone where you are going and when you will return. Tell friends and family of your favorite exercise routes. If possible, take a phone with you in case you need to call for help.
- Wear an identification tag or carry a driver's license. Include any medical information.

On the road:

- Wear reflective material.
- Stay alert at all times.
- Run or walk with a partner or a dog.
- Consider carrying a cellular phone.
- Exercise in familiar areas. Know which businesses or stores are open.
- Vary your route.
- Avoid unpopulated areas, deserted streets, and overgrown trails. Especially avoid poorly lighted areas at night.
- Run clear of parked cars or bushes.
- Trust your intuition about a person or an area. React based on that intuition and avoid areas you feel unsure about.
- Have your door key ready before you reach your vehicle or home.

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/register/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





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.

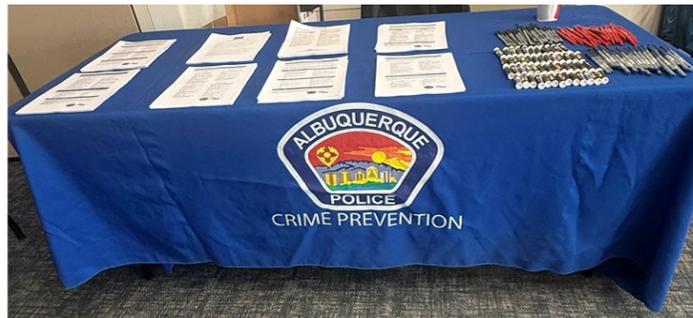
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Small Business Resource Fair. Crime Prevention table



McGruff visiting the students at Marie Hughes Elementary

