

NEWSLETTER



SOUTHWEST AREA COMMAND IS OVERSEEN BY
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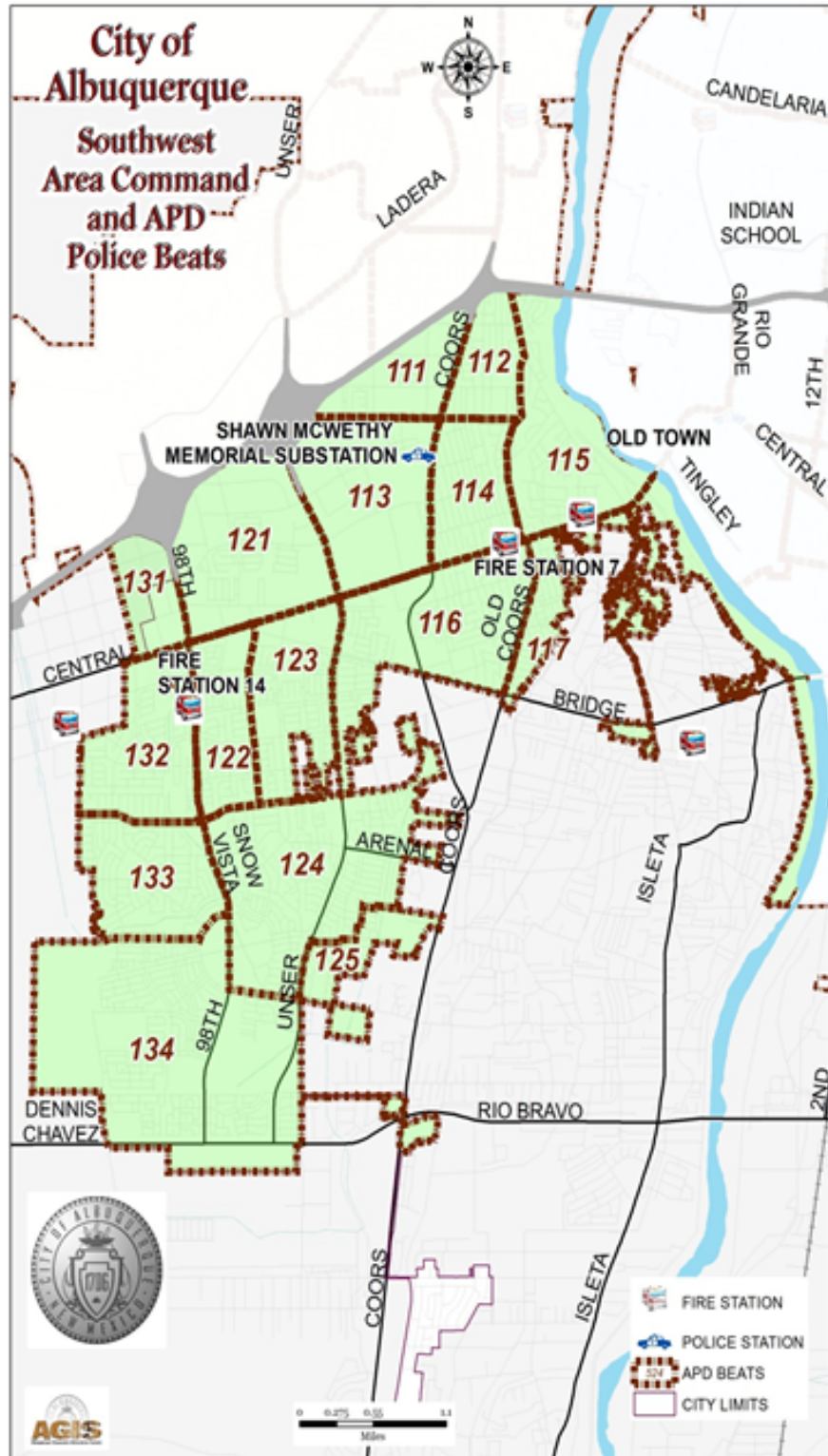
The Southwest Area Command borders the Northwest and Valley area commands. Our border lines are as follows: Interstate 40 to the south, Rio Grande River to the west, and Albuquerque city limits to the west and south.



COMMANDER'S CORNER

Congratulations to all school graduates, job well done! To the rest of the students keep up the great work and enjoy your summer.

FREE, FREE and FREE swim passes are located in our office located at 6404 Los Volcanes Ave NW, come by and say hi to me or one of my staff members and receive a swim pass for each present child. Next, I would like to take time to recognize the students who participated in our very first Duke City Youth Lowrider Bicycle Program, two of those young men are graduating high school and we hope they leap into their new chapter in life with lessons learned at our first session. All participating students have made relationships and hopefully long lasting friendships with our mentors, police officers, and many partners who dedicated so much time to the success of our very first Duke City Youth Lowrider Bicycle Program. Next, a big thanks and shout out needs to go to Councilor Klarissa Pena and her team for her continued efforts and fight to work tirelessly to establish a program which is strictly tailored at reaching and mentoring our youth, we could have not done this without your vision, persistency and dedication!



CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

Summertime Safety Tips: Securing Your Home during Summer Crime Spikes

Summer safety tips:

·Secure your windows

Make sure that when you open windows to let in the breeze that you're also following safety best practices. Start with outside window guards—such as rails or bars—or consider window stops, which prevent windows from being opened all the way.

·Know who is at the door

Summertime means more visitors. It could be your neighbors coming by to invite you for a BBQ, or local children looking to play with your kids. It might be a delivery you've been expecting or someone making the rounds to sell you landscaping services. But it could also be someone looking to force their way into your home and take what they want. Ringing the doorbell is a common tactic used by criminals; if you answer and appear to be alone, they may attempt to barge in, and if no one answers, they may try kicking down the door. Your best bet is to invest in a doorbell camera. If the doorbell rings, you can answer through a speaker, so whoever is on the other side knows that someone is home. Then, check your camera. If you don't recognize the visitor and aren't comfortable opening the door, tell them to leave; you don't owe them an open door if they're knocking unexpectedly. If they don't leave, call the police.

·Protect your window-mounted air conditioner

To reduce the chance of someone absconding with your AC, consider: Installing an air conditioner bracket: These brackets attach to the bottom of the AC unit and the side of your home to offer support. They also make it much more time-consuming for criminals to steal your cold air.

Getting a window lock: Sliding window locks can be screwed or bolted in and prevent the window from moving once the AC unit is in place.

Attaching a corner brace: Steel corner braces make it hard for criminals to pull or push your AC unit out of the window. Attach one end to the side of the AC unit and the other to a secure section of the wall using bolts or screws.

·Make your house a difficult target

Want to help protect your property? Take these steps to make it a difficult target for criminals: Burglar-proof the backyard: Put padlocks on gates, store ladders out of sight and don't leave tools lying around. Tools and ladders often give criminals a helping hand breaking into your home. Using padlocks on chain link or wooden gates adds another layer of protection, frustrating would-be bad guys.

Install motion sensor lights: If bright lights shine on criminals whenever they approach your house, they'll likely choose another target.

Keep sight lines clear: Trim bushes and trees so that there's a clear sight line from windows to front and back entryways. The last thing criminals want is an audience.

Keep an eye on your home when you're out

Peace of mind is the goal of every homeowner, especially when they're away from their property. That's why the last of our summer safety tips is installing indoor and outdoor security cameras that can instantly alert you if something isn't right. Paired with a cutting-edge home security system and mobile application, cameras can be set to turn on if they detect motion or activate in response to window or door sensors. You can quickly determine if it's just your kids coming home or if criminals are trying to force their way in.



SOUTHWEST AREA COMMAND CRIME STATISTICS

PROPERTY CRIME ACTIVITY FOR JUNE 2023

Definitions

Burglary – Unauthorized entry of any vehicle, watercraft, aircraft, dwelling or other structure, moveable or immovable, with the intent to commit a felony or theft therein.

Robbery – Consists of the theft of anything of value from the person of another or from the immediate control of another, by use or threatened use of force or violence.

Motor Vehicle Theft – Consists of a person taking any vehicle or motor vehicle intentionally and without consent of the owner.



PROPERTY CRIMES REPORT: JAN 1 THRU DEC 31, 2022

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY = 85
AUTO BURGLARY = 173
AUTO THEFT = 469
COMMERCIAL BURGLARY = 103
VANDALISM = 251
COMMERCIAL ROBBERY = 68

PROPERTY CRIMES REPORT: June 2023

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY = 12
AUTO BURGLARY = 11
AUTO THEFT = 55
RECOVERED STOLEN VEHICLES=27
COMMERCIAL BURGLARY =5
Commercial Robbery=2
Criminal damage to property= 18
VANDALISM = 27



All attached crime numbers are preliminary numbers based on calls for service and pulled directly from the CADS system

Crime Trends

The Albuquerque Police Department Southwest Area Command uses the computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) data to determine crime trends in the area. When a response is indicated, the information received from the caller will be entered into the CAD for a response. The information from the caller allows ECC staff to determine the priority of the call, how many officers to dispatch, and it provides the officers with vital information so they can determine what action to take as they respond to a call for service.

Residential Burglaries

There has been a slight increase of Residential burglaries in May 2022. It is always good practice to make it look like someone is home at all times. Turn a radio on to a talk show station when you are gone, this will make it appear that someone is inside of your home.

Carjacking

There has been no change in carjacking's in May 2022, they are very low. Always be aware of your surroundings. Pay special attention when you are at a standstill such as when you are at a stop light or in a parking lot. Keep doors locked, roll up your windows and notice who is in the immediate area.

Robbery to an Individual

There were no reported robberies to an individual for May 2022. Use situational awareness, look around, walk with confidence, make eye contact and read peoples body language. If you do find yourself in this situation, give them whatever possession they are demanding, remember, possessions can always be replaced – you, cannot.

Remember if you see something say
something!



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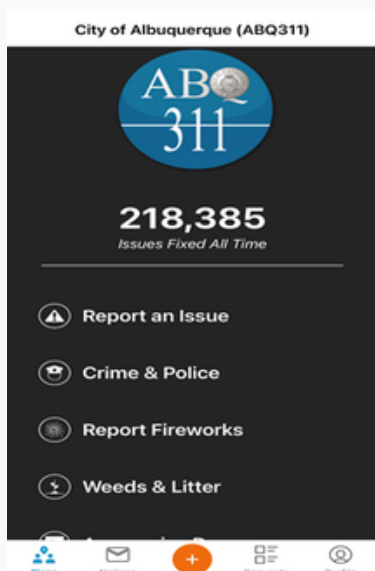


File a Report

Online Report:
cabq.gov/police/file-a-police-report-online

(TRU)Telephone
Reporting Unit
242-2677 (COPS)

ABQ311 app ↓↓↓↓



In Progress Reports?
Use APD Police Mobile

Substation Hours

ALL POLICE SUBSTATIONS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC THE HOURS OF OPERATION ARE FROM 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM.

IF YOU NEED AN ACCIDENT REPORT FORM OR A COPY OF AN ACCIDENT REPORT YOU CAN CALL WITH YOUR CASE NUMBER TO HAVE IT MAILED TO YOU VIA US MAIL THEY ARE NOT PROVIDED THROUGH EMAIL. WHEN YOU COME IN TO GET A REPORT MAKE SURE TO BRING IN YOUR ID AND CASE #. FOR ANY OTHER REPORT CALL THE SUBSTATION TO MAKE SURE IT IS AVAILABLE BEFORE COMING BY 761-8800.

THE OLD TOWN SUBSTATION IS NOW OPEN MONDAY-THURSDAY 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM AND ON FRIDAY 8:00 AM TO 8:00 PM AND ON WEEKENDS FROM 11:00 PM TO 7:00 PM.

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Atlas One Replacing ABQ Police App



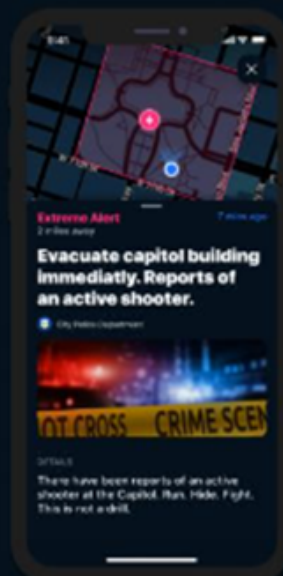
We're excited to announce that the Albuquerque Police Department has joined Atlas One, a new public safety network that will keep you connected and informed of nearby incidents, alerts, and announcements related to our community.

The Atlas One app will automatically send you an alert when a public safety issue occurs near your current location, or places you care about, such as your home, school, or office.

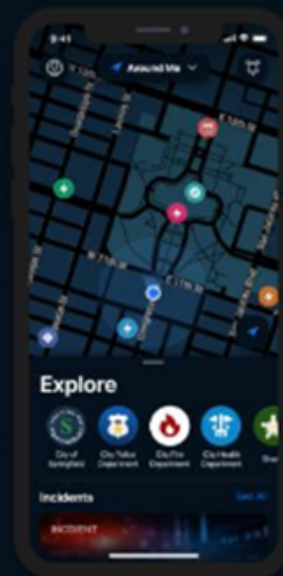
Stay Informed of Issues Around You



Receive Personalized Safety Alerts



Explore nearby events, incidents, places, and alerts



You can download the app for iOS and Android devices today!
Scan QR Code to download.



Atlas One will be replacing the ABQ Police App. Please join in the transition today. this link <https://youtu.be/OEQ1MfJyWCo> is a guide on using the new Atlas One

App

**SOUTHWEST AREA COMMAND COMMUNITY
POLICING COUNCIL**

June 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 SWAN 6pm Central Ave NW	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 	15	16	17	18
		Hotel Hospitality-Ghala 1pm Sheraton Albu Uptown				
19	20	21 	22	23	24	25
	West Mesa NA 6-7pm	Vecinos Del Bosque NA 6:30pm South Valley Senior Center	Westgate Heights NA 6:30-7:30pm			
26	27	28	29	30		

Awarded a letter of Commendation

On March 12, 2023, Officer Christopher Martinez and Officer Kellie Whitehouse responded to a juvenile call for service. When Officers arrived on scene, Officer Martinez conducted an investigation and learned that she was a foster child who was upset with her foster parents, and was refusing to board their vehicle. Officer Martinez learned that the child was invited to, and wanted to attend another child's pizza party after church. The foster father explained that the party was later in the day, so he wanted to take the family home so they could rest a while, then they planned to take the child to the party. While Officer Martinez was conducting his investigation, Officer Whitehouse ultimately gained the trust of the child, who in confidence explained why she refused to get into her foster parent's vehicle, which matched the foster father's account.



The Child felt comfortable with Officer Whitehouse, so she agreed to sit in her vehicle, where she was subsequently transported back to her foster parents. Officers Martinez and Whitehouse, with the permission of the foster parents, had an idea to have a pizza party with the Child because she was so upset. Officer Whitehouse, with the foster parent's permission, transported the child back to the family's home, providing the child a "fun ride" inside of a police unit. Officer Martinez went to Dion's Pizza and purchased pizza for the child. Additionally he went to the neighboring Walgreens and bought her a stuffed animal toy. He and Officer Whitehouse had a pizza party with her and her family at their residence, and gave her the toy as a gift. Officers Martinez and Whitehouse went above and beyond their normal service duties that day by cultivating a positive relationship with community members due to their genuine thoughtfulness, and the investment of their time and their money. Together they brought happiness to a foster child who had been dealt a difficult life through no fault of her own.