

UNIVERSITY AREA COMMAND

August, 2025

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Commanders Corner:



~ Commander Ray Del Greco



Gun Buy Back Event

The University Area Command is proud to announce that we will be hosting a Gun Buy Back Event on Saturday, August 23, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the University Substation. This event is designed to reduce the number of unwanted firearms in our community, creating a safer environment for students, families, and residents. Community members are encouraged to turn in firearms—no questions asked. Gift cards will be provided in exchange for each firearm turned in.

Back-to-School Operation

As the fall semester kicks off at the University of New Mexico Main Campus, University Area Command officers partnered with other units to conduct a Back-to-School Operation focused on safety, visibility, and crime reduction. This operation resulted in:

- 55 arrests for various charges, including outstanding warrants and criminal activity.
- Increased officer presence in and around campus areas.
- Enhanced partnerships with the UNM community to ensure a safe start to the academic year.

The University Area Command remains committed to working closely with UNM staff, students, and surrounding neighborhoods to maintain a safe and secure learning environment.

Message from the Commander

The start of a new school year is always an exciting and busy time. Our focus remains on proactive policing, community engagement, and addressing crime before it impacts our residents and students. Whether through community events like the Gun Buy Back or targeted operations like our back-to-school initiative, we will continue to build trust and strengthen safety throughout the University Area Command.

Stay safe, stay alert, and remember—we are stronger together

Stay safe and stay connected,

Ray Del Greco

Commander

University Area Command – Albuquerque Police Department

“Serving with Honor, Integrity, and Accountability”



Message from Chief Medina

Hello Albuquerque! At the start of August, we are gearing up for our 2025 National Night Out! If you've never attended a National Night Out event, I encourage our community to do so.



What is National Night Out?

Neighbors from across the United States host block parties, festivals, parades, cookouts, and various other community events to send a message that our community is fighting back against crime. National Night Out is an excellent opportunity for you and your neighbors to socialize, renew acquaintances, welcome new neighbors, and join fellow citizens in our community's fight against crime. Come together to strengthen neighborhoods and improve police-community partnerships to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live.

A full list of locations can be found at: <https://www.cabq.gov/national-night-out/national-night-out-locations>

As for crime fighting, we recently announced our continued focus on resources in our city's Downtown area. Throughout the summer we are maintaining a zero tolerance policy to criminal activity.

Since the beginning of the year APD has arrested 26 juveniles Downtown and recovered 19 firearms.

Recruitment



Our recruiting efforts continue to be successful! APD just graduated 11 cadets from its Recruit Officer Basic Training (ROBT) Academy. This is a part of our new format to hold five cadet classes a year. Congratulations to all our new officers!

Thank you for your continued support.

**crime
down**

- Shootings: - 20%
- Robbery: - 12.5%
- Sex Crimes - 61.5%
- Burglary: - 2.9%
- Auto Theft: - 29.8%
- Shoplifting: - 20%



-Chief Harold Medina

Domestic Violence | Intimate Partner Violence

Domestic violence is not always visible and does not always leave physical signs. Abusers always use domestic violence to assert power and control.

It Can Look Like

- Physical Violence
- Emotional
- Psychological
- Financial
- Verbal
- Sexual
- Technological/Digital
- Spiritual

An Abusive Partner

- Communicates in a hurtful/threatening way
- Isolates you from others
- Controls household finances without discussion
- Uses technology to monitor your location and/or activities
- Humiliates you

Warning Signs of Danger

- Pressure to immediately commit to the relationship
- Prior acts of abuse in relationships
- Belief in stereotypical gender roles
- Exhibits jealousy and possessiveness
- Exhibits public persona and private persona
- Difficulty conveying emotions other than anger
- Violent temper/mood changes
- Cruelty towards animals
- Does not respect “no” or boundaries

Surviving and Thriving

“Surviving domestic violence is one day at a time. I believe that forgiveness is important in moving on but not forgetting because this made you a stronger person. You lived through something that most people couldn’t.” — Shana

(www.thehotline.org)

A Path Forward

- Create a safety plan (enlist assistance of trained advocate)
- Only you know when you feel safe to leave

Things to Consider Taking with You

- Extra set of car keys, driver license
- Cash/credit cards
- Medication
- Important phone numbers – friends, family, doctor
- Clothing – for you & the children
- Infant formula & diapers
- Comfort items for children
- Pet food, leashes, vet records

Important Documents

- Birth certificates
- Social Security cards
- School records
- Pay statements
- Bank account information
- Marriage license
- Mortgage information
- Insurance information
- Order of Protection
- Evidence (photos, medical records, police reports, journal)
- Personal Items (photos, jewelry)

Resources

Experiencing abuse is harmful and overwhelming. If you have concerns about your relationship, you are not alone, and there is help.





ALBUQUERQUE METRO CRIME STOPPERS

WORLD'S FIRST CRIME STOPPERS PROGRAM FOUNDED 1976

TIP HOTLINE: 505-843-STOP

3 Ways to Submit a Tip

1. Tip Line
3. Tip Form
2. Tip App

How Crime Stoppers Works

Albuquerque Metro Crime Stoppers is a community program that relies on anonymous tips to solve crimes and to locate fugitives. Without anonymity of callers, the program cannot be effective. Crime Stoppers pays rewards only for anonymous tips. Tipsters who identify themselves are not eligible for a reward.

Crime Stoppers has sole discretion to decide the amount of any reward to be paid, from zero to \$2,500. Crime Stoppers will pay rewards only for tips given directly to it. Any tip given to another source, such as law enforcement, will not be eligible for a Crime Stoppers reward.

Crime Stoppers does not pay rewards to any person who has a legal duty to assist in the arrest of suspects and fugitives..

Please join us for
NOB HILL & UNIVERSITY AREA PUBLIC SAFETY ECHO
Nob Hill Public Safety ECHO

Campus Safety

Wednesday, August 20th from 1:00 - 2:30 pm

Presented by
University of New Mexico Police Department
Campus Watch Coordinator
Rodney Bowe
& Lt. Pete Guevara

University Area Substation
1009 Bradbury Dr. SE
or
Zoom in: <https://cabq.zoom.us/j/81534320935>

This event will be an in-person or on Zoom

Announcements

- [Albuquerque Metro CRIME STOPPERS \(505\)843-STOP](#)

Invite People Concerned about Safety

Do you know people who should be included in our Public Safety ECHO? If so, please invite them! Feel free to forward this message to community members or send information to ddeloach@cabq.gov to have someone added to the list. This is a public, open forum and we welcome all.

Do you have a Public Safety Issue

If you would like to submit a case to be presented, we want to hear about your concerns, issues and situations. Contact us about any scenario involving safety in Albuquerque that you want to discuss at a future Public Safety ECHO session.
If you do not feel comfortable presenting, a member of the Hub team is able to present to the network on your behalf. Email, **Darryl De Loach**, if you have a topic you would like addressed please contact; ddeloach@cabq.gov.

A TRANSFORMATIVE EFFORT TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE

SAFE SURRENDER GUN BUYBACK

ALBUQUERQUE

100% anonymous, exchange guns for CASH
FREE Tickets handed out by NBA Star Kenny Thomas for:
-Isotopes Games
-August 30th NM United Game
-September 6th UNM vs. Idaho State Game

SATURDAY, August 23

APD UNIVERSITY SUBSTATION

1009 Bradbury Dr. SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106

9:00 A.M. TO 12.00 P.M.

\$250 for Assault Weapons

\$200 for Semi-Automatic Handguns and Rifles

\$100 for Long Guns & Pistols

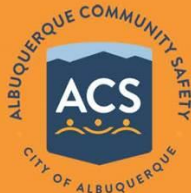
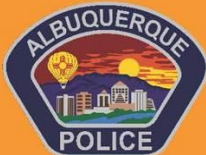


- *Bring firearms unloaded and in the trunk of the vehicle
- *Drive-thru event
- *No ammunition accepted
- *No CASH Exchanges for 3D and ghost guns

NEW
MEXICANS
TO PREVENT
GUN VIOLENCE



It's OUR issue.



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Back To school safety tips

- In New Mexico, the school zone speed limit is 15 miles per hour when passing a school while children are going or leaving school.
- Watch for Pedestrians and Bicyclists
- Be Careful Near Crosswalks
- Obey School Crossing Guard Directions
- No Cell Phone Use in School Zones
- Watch For School Bus Lights - Stop, Don't Pass!
- Ride the School Bus - Be Earth Friendly!
- Leave Early for School - Don't Add to Last Minute Traffic

Student Safety

- **Know your emergency contacts:**

Ensure your emergency contact information is up-to-date at school.

- **Know the school's safety measures:**

Familiarize yourself with the school's security procedures, such as visitor sign-in and escort policies.

- **Be aware of your surroundings:**

Pay attention to your environment, especially when walking to and from school or in crowded areas.

- **Walk in groups:**

When walking to and from school, walk with friends or family members for safety in numbers.

- **Practice cyber safety:**

Be cautious about your online activity and avoid sharing personal information with strangers.

- **Communicate with trusted adults:**

Talk to your parents, teachers, or counselors about any concerns you have about school safety.

Parents & Schools

- **Establish clear safety rules and procedures:**

Develop and communicate safety guidelines for students, including emergency plans and reporting protocols.

- **Report suspicious activity:**

Report any safety concerns or suspicious activity to the appropriate authorities.

- **Teach children about personal safety:**

Discuss safety topics with your children, including stranger danger, cyber safety, and how to report suspicious activity.

- **Ensure proper supervision:**

Ensure adequate supervision of students during school hours and at school events.

- **Stay informed about school safety initiatives:**

Attend school safety meetings and participate in discussions about safety concerns.



Have a great school year!

Area Commands in the Albuquerque Metro Area:

- **Foothills Area Command**

Jeff Russel Memorial Substation: 12800 Lomas Blvd NE – (505)332-5240

- **Northeast Area Command**

John Carrillo Memorial Substation: 8021 Osuna Rd NE – (505)823-4455

- **Northwest Area Command**

Michael King & Richard Smith Memorial Substation: 10401 Cibola Loop Ct. NW – (505)768-4850

- **Southeast Area Command**

Phil Chacon Memorial Substation: 800 Louisiana SE – (505)256-2050

- **University Area Command**

1009 Bradbury Dr. SE – (505)768-4994

- **Southwest Area Command**

Shawn McWethy Memorial Substation: 6404 Los Volcanoes Rd. NW – (505)831-4705

- **Valley Area Command**

Gerald Cline Memorial Substation: 5408 2nd St. NW – (505)761-8800

- **Don Perkins Public Safety Center**

302 Central Ave. SW – (505)768-4735

Valley Area Command - Old Town Substation:

2060 Central Ave SW
(505) 242-6643 **(OPEN WEEKENDS)**

University Command – Triangle Community Substation:

2901 Central Ave. NE
(505) 924-8335 **(OPEN WEEKENDS)**