

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

Albuquerque Police Department Office of Policy Analysis (OPA)

MEETING MINUTES: 19-5

DATE: 5/9/2019

TIME: 10:15a – 12:00p

VENUE: 400 Roma NW, LEC, Tech Services Conf. Rm. #304, 3rd floor - old

ATTENDEES:

Elizabeth Martinez, DOJ
Greg Mondragon, APD PTU
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1.	1. SOP 2-79 Law Enforcement	
	Assisted Diversion (LEAD)	

Presented by: Lt. M. Dietzel Sgt. D. Dosal Det. J. Bludworth

Discussion:

An overview of the draft policy was presented to the Office of Policy Analysis (OPA) for review. This is a new policy as well as a new program for APD. The LEAD program is considered a criminal justice diversion, not jail diversion. Based on data from other law enforcement agencies, who have implemented this type of program, LEAD assists in addressing some of the root causes in criminal offending, such as drug and alcohol addiction as well as reducing jail recidivism rates. The LEAD program primarily focuses on first-time low-level, non-violent offenders, who must agree to participate. If an offender is willing to enter the program, they will be taken to MATS (Metropolitan Assessment & Treatment Service/Detox) and through a case manager - introduced to a variety of resources to assist them in their journey to sobriety and productive citizenship. It is not mandatory for officers to provide this diversion; officer discretion is still a factor in deciding which individuals would benefit the most from the LEAD program.

	Santa Fe has an established program, which was a source for some initial training and data gathering about best practices and success rates. Research models for the LEAD program include Seattle, WA Police Department, Hickory, NC, Rio Arriba and Santa Fe Counties in NM, and the LEAD National Support Bureau.
	Currently, APD has a LEAD pilot project in place out of the SE Area Command, but this program will be implemented citywide once training has taken place – set to begin once the Chief approves the SOP and it is published. The training curriculum is being developed specifically for APD. County funds will support the APD LEAD initiative.
Action:	The draft SOP as presented was reviewed by OPA and will be posted on PowerDMS for 7 Day Commentary.