

Valley Area Community Policing Council 2019 Annual Report

Purpose of the Valley Command Area CPC

The mission of the Valley Area Command Community Policing Council is to promote inclusive, respectful, supportive and cooperative interactions between diverse members of the community and the Albuquerque Police Department to ensure necessary reforms are met and sustained.

Diversity Statistics of Voting Members

Sex:

Male 0	Female 3
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Race:

Native American	1
Anglo	2

Age (in years):

25-34	0
35-44	1
45-54	0
55-64	0
65 +	2

Education:

14 years	0
16 years	
18 years	
18 years +	3

Language:

English Only	3
Bilingual (English/Spanish)	0

Military:

Active	0
Veteran	0

Members include: (as of January 2019) Chair, Rowan Wymark (January & August), Ari Posner (March & May), Farah Council, Stephanie Martin, Brendon Jaramillo, Edwina Kiro, and Abigail Long.

Four members resigned in March: Stephanie Martin, Brendon Jaramillo, Farah Council, and Ari Posner.

Meetings

Month	Topic and/or Guest Speaker	Attendance
January	Presentation by DC Garcia on 14	
	progress of implementation of	
	Use of Force SOP	
March	Forum on Domestic Violence	24
	Forum on Crimes against	28
May	Children	
August	Forum on Community Policing	20

Owing to a variety of circumstances we canceled October's meeting and our attempts to have one in November didn't work out. As per usual there was no meeting in December.

Other Meetings, Forums and Events

Meeting Topic or Type	Number of Meetings	Members in Attendance
CASA Status Hearing *	1	1
CASA Status Conference	1	1
Amici – APD Compliance Bureau	4	2
CPC Summit *	4	2
City Council *	5	1
Civilian Police Oversight Board *	3	1
APD NE Area Command Meet & Greet New Officers	2	2
APD Coffee	2	2
Citizen Police Academy – CPC Presentation (Sept) *	1	2
Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association – CPC Presentation *	1	1
MHRAC	12	1
National Night Out	1	1
Neighborhood Associations *	12	2
Neighborhood Watch Safety Advocates	1	1
CPC Chairs	12	2
CPC Strategic Planning Committee	4	2

CPC Strategic Sessions *		
Other Area Command CPC General Meetings *	6	2
ABQ Summerfest	1	1
Homelessness Forum	1	1
Domestic Violence Forum	1	1

Achievements

Our forum presentations worked well, and we are planning to continue, though we also plan to have individual presenters also. For the time being we are not operating with a normal council structure IE with a chair, and secretary, etc. Instead we are simply three equal members, this structure works well for us at this current time. The three of us remain committed to our CPC, and plan to rebuild.

Lessons Learned

The mass resignation of four members, two left town and the other two resigned for various reasons considerably decimated our membership. Outreach was limited this year as one of us was finishing her final year of college, and the other was out for four months owing to elective surgery.

We know that we need to vigorously work on our outreach from hereon in. We did interview a few potential members, but most declined to join because of the CPA expectation We are fully aware that we badly need new council members and attendants. We will continue to hold bi-monthly meetings, but will make sure that we have more promotion, fliers, emails, etc. We also know we need to work on attending more community events within the Valley Command Area in order to promote and publicize our CPC. It was unfortunate that life circumstances for two of us precluded our full participation, but as that is behind us both we will work harder on expanding both our council.

Recommendations

We have been sadly remiss in generating recommendations, we drafted a few only to discover that other CPCs had submitted on the same topic. We will work on some this year and will try to work on area specific ones when and where we can.