



WELCOME TO THE DON PERKINS PUBLIC SAFETY CENTER E-NEWSLETTER

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NEW SERGEANT GIANFRANCO DI PAOLO



Welcome Sergeant Gianfranco Di Paolo!

Since 2015, Sgt. Di Paolo has been with Albuquerque Police Department and in the course of which time he worked primarily as a patrol officer. He also worked as a bike officer in the valley area command and was also a collateral rider with the Horse Mounted Unit.

Sgt. Di Paolo was a detective with Internal Affairs Force Division, and is currently assigned dayshift sergeant with the Downtown Unit, Emergency Response Team.

He was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina and grew up in Florida and in Albuquerque but has lived in Albuquerque approximately 16 years.

When not at work, he enjoys going to the gym, spending time with family and playing soccer.

Welcome Aboard! Email: gdipaolo@cabq.gov



Albuquerque Police Department Don Perkins Public Safety Center Open: Mon-Fri Hours: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Closed 12:00 -1PM Meal Break



Dayshift Patrol Schedule: 7:00 AM-5:00 PM Mon-Thurs

- PATROL: Officer Hannah Goodman, Officer Jake Capraro, Officer Richard Sedillo, Officer Corbin Waquie, Officer Jesus Gonzalez

- Swing shift Schedule: 6:00 PM-4:00AM Wed-Sat Officer Liame Koste, Officer Alicia Martinez, Officer Nicholas Dickerson, Officer Jose Gomez, Officer K. Vega

- Civilian Staff: Betty Lou Chavez Sr. Administrative Assistant Email: BettyLouChavez@cabq.gov



Message from Chief Medina

Hello Albuquerque! It's my favorite time of year, as football season is upon us! This time of year also comes with back to school and I'm sure many parents are getting back into the swing of things.

We are doing a lot of work getting involved with the school district and helping provide additional ways for students, faculty and parents to report. We hope to have more information on this soon that we will be sure to share with the community.

I would also like to acknowledge, our department has had a challenging month as we lost an officer from our agency. Officer Bianca Quintana had been with APD for two years and worked out of the Foothills Area Command. Bianca was a mother to two boys, a wife, daughter, and sister and we are doing everything we can to support her family during this time.

Bianca's funeral services have been set for September 9, at 10:30a.m. at Legacy Church, located at 7201 Central Avenue N.W. The family welcomes the community to honor her, during a celebration of life.

As for our crime fighting efforts, we continue to have an increased presence of officers downtown on Friday and Saturday nights. We know this area is of concern and we have made it a priority.



**ROBBERY
DOWN 50%
SINCE 2018**



We recently announced robberies are down 50% since 2018 and this goes to show the progress we are making as a department in terms of tackling crime.

We have a robust DIVRT team made up of mostly civilian staff members focused on retrieving video surveillance footage and other digital evidence that assists sworn personnel in their investigations.

By having this civilian team, it frees up time for officers and detectives to focus on their caseloads. Crime Stoppers, APD's detective academy, and internal information sharing amongst divisions have had the strongest impact in identifying and charging repeat or violent offenders, such as those committing robberies.

And to kick off the month, we have an exciting community event coming up. This will be a largescale Coffee with a Cop event partnering with the Dunkin' Community Cruiser. The event will be held on September 10, at the University Substation from 8-11:00a.m., and there will be FREE coffee and donuts.



We hope to see you there!

Thank you for your continued support!

-Chief Harold Medina





WOMEN IN BLUE - SEPT 7, 2024

WOMEN IN BLUE

ALBUQUERQUE POLICE

Come join the women in blue of the Albuquerque Police Department for an event providing guidance and education for those curious about a career in law enforcement.

Participants will have the opportunity to engage in conversations with female officers, join them on a group run and physical fitness activities. Officers want to share with you their journeys into law enforcement and how rewarding this career can be.

- ✓ Lunch Provided
- ✓ Childcare Provided

**SATURDAY
SEPT 7**

**APD Academy
2nd St NW,
Albuquerque, NM
87107**

REGISTER HERE

www.cabq.gov/womeninblue

Albuquerque Crime Statistics

For Citywide Crime Stats Click on the link: Crime Statistics — City of Albuquerque (cabq.gov) “Helping you Build a Safer Community.”

[Crime Statistics — City of Albuquerque \(cabq.gov\)](http://www.cabq.gov/crimestatistics)

Reporting Options/ ATLAS ONE

- ⇒ Telephone Reporting Unit Please call: 242-COPS—(2677)
- ⇒ Online Reporting: <https://www.cabq.gov/police/file-a-report> online
To access a traffic accident report, you can download a fillable form from the New Mexico DOT website and take to any substation once completed.
<http://nmtrafficrecords.com/resources/new-mexico-uniform-crash-report>
- ⇒ Atlas One App: Search Police in Google Play or the App Store.



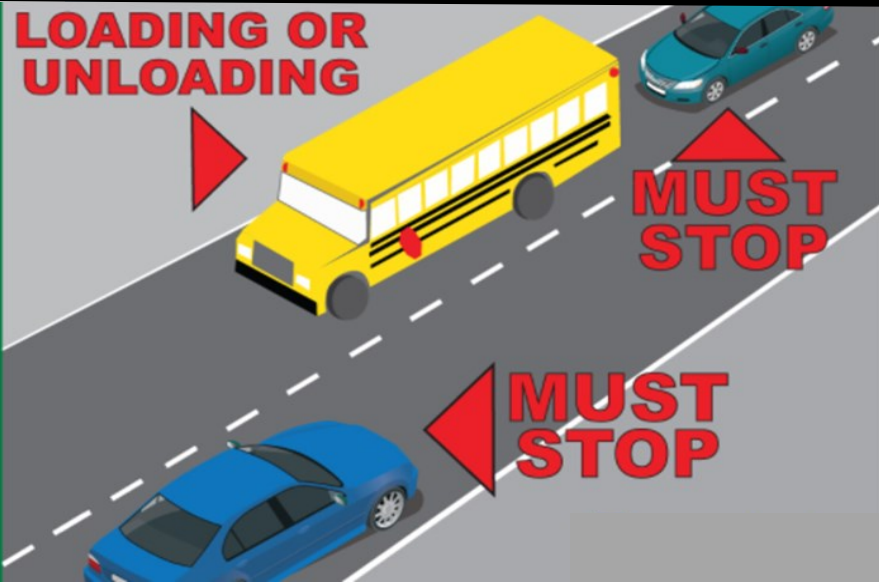
Visit the YouTube link below for Instructions on the Atlas One App.
<https://youtu.be/OEQ1MfJyWCo>

Back to School Safety Tips: Sharing the Road with School Buses

You **MUST STOP** at an intersection, whether it is or is not marked with a stop sign. All traffic **MUST** stop.



You **MUST STOP** on roadways with painted lines.



Crime Prevention Safety Tips

Teach children to be safe at home and while out. "Stranger Danger" can be a difficult concept to grasp as children encounter strangers daily; a better approach is to teach children about good "friends" or "helpers" who assist during emergencies such as:

Teachers, Police Officers, Firefighters, Doctors and Paramedics

- CHILDREN SHOULD KNOW THEIR FULL NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER.
- TEACH CHILDREN THAT ADULTS SHOULD NOT ASK CHILDREN FOR HELP, ADULTS ASK OTHER ADULTS FOR HELP.
- DO NOT DROP OFF CHILDREN AT SHOPPING MALLS, MOVIE THEATERS OR PARKS FOR UNSUPERVISED TIME.
- NEVER LEAVE CHILDREN UNATTENDED IN VEHICLES.
- TELL CHILDREN IT IS OK TO SAY "NO" TO SOMEONE THEY DON'T KNOW OR SOMEONE WHO IS MAKING THEM FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE.
- TELL CHILDREN WHICH NEIGHBORS THEY MAY VISIT.
- TEACH AND REINFORCE THE "BUDDY SYSTEM."
- KNOW THEIR FRIENDS AND FRIENDS' PARENTS.
- MAKE SURE THEY KNOW HOW TO CALL 911 IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY AND POST OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS.



TEEN SAFETY TIPS

- Always let someone know where you are at all times and keep your parents or guardian updated if you won't be back on time.
- Never wear earbuds when you're walking alone at night. Criminals are always on the hunt for people who are distracted and easy targets.
- Do not post everything on social media, especially of where you are at the exact moment. Consider posting after you're no longer at that location.
- Never reveal your personal information to any "stranger" you connect with on social media.
- Never meet with anyone you "just met" online. If someone asks to meet you, tell your parents or guardian right away.
- Put your cell phone away. You're an easy target when you're focused on the conversation you're having and NOT your surroundings. Those calls and texts can wait!

For further information please visit web: [Crime Prevention & Safety — City of Albuquerque \(cabq.gov\)](http://CrimePrevention&Safety-CityofAlbuquerque.cabq.gov)