

### THE VALLEY AREA COMMAND IS OVERSEEN BY COMMANDER JOSE SANCHEZ

#### GERALD CLINE SUBSTATION 5408 2ND ST NW







## COMMANDER'S CORNER MARCH 2025

### COMMANDER JOSE SANCHEZ



Hello all,

Your officers will be working on a few operations to reduce property crime within the Valley Area Command. I want to remind you to take steps to keep your vehicle and belongings safe. Stay vigilant and help us identify drivers of crime by calling in suspicious activities. And as always stay connected and informed.

# Message from Chief Medina

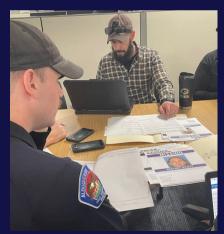
Hello Albuquerque, I hope everyone is doing well! Wanted to kick off with some positive news regarding our Auto Theft statistics. In the first two months of this year, we have seen a 40% decrease in auto thefts compared to the same time frame last year. This is a significant decrease, and one of the biggest I've seen in my years with the department.

There is a lot that we can attribute that decrease to including a successful Bait Car Program, more awareness to auto theft, making significant auto theft arrests, and vigilance from the community as more people are safely securing their vehicles.

We recently saw a slight uptick in thefts of specific Honda models in our Northeast and Foothills area commands, so we are urging the public to please take extra precaution in helping us prevent theft.



Our Central Corridor Operations continue to be a success. During a three week period, our officers arrested 112 people. APD's GANGS, FAST and Narcotics units conducted a proactive operation with the assistance of the Field Services Bureau Proactive Response Teams (PRT). In addition to the 112 arrests, officers cleared 106 felony warrants and 38 misdemeanor warrants. The operation focused on open air drug use, drug trafficking, warrants and maintaining a visual presence along the Central Avenue corridor.



Our Criminal Investigation Division recently wrapped up a Missing Persons Operation in an attempt to locate as many missing people as possible during a one-day operation. Out of 129 cases, officers, detectives and professional staff located 55 people. Of those, 14 were juveniles and the division was able to successfully resolve 46 cases. I'm very proud of the work of this division and am looking forward to the success of more future operations to come.

On our Community Engagement side of the department, we are looking forward to an event next month and hope you'll spread the word with your family and friends.



On April 5, from 12:00-3:00p.m. APD and Mrs. Sprinkles Ice Cream Parlor will be hosting Cops, Cones and Clue. We will have officers there participating in the event and are expecting Animal Welfare to host an adoption event as well.

We hope to see you there, and please reach out to our Community Engagement Manager at Angelinanavarro@cabq.gov if you'd be interested in hosting a community event.



-Chief Harold Medina

# Coffee with a Cop WHATABURGER.

JOIN THE ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT VALLEY AREA COMMAND FOR COFFEE WITH A COP HOSTED BY WHATABURGER. BRING YOUR QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS FOR YOUR AREA OFFICERS WHILE ENJOYING SOME HOT OR ICED COFFEE!



MARCH 27, 2025 WHATABURGER 4201 OSUNA RD NE 2:00PM-4:00PM





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TIGUEX PARK 1800 Mountain Rd NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104

Come enjoy Easter Egg hunts for all ages, Pictures with the Easter Bunny, Food Trucks, Vendors and more. This event is FREE to attend and open to the public





Spring is almost here which means we're getting outside more! Here are a few tips to keep you and your home safe!

- After opening windows and doors on those warm days, make sure you lock all windows and doors before going to bed or leaving the house!
- Make sure all lawn and gardening equipment is secure either in your garage or a storage shed.
- Be aware of home improvement scams.
- Get to know your neighbors! Next time they're outside say "Hello" and get to know them. Trusting your neighbors is extremely helpful as you will look out for each other.

If you have any issues in your neighborhood, please call the Gerald Cline Memorial Substation (505) 761-8800.

If you notice suspicious activity, please dial 505-242-COPS (2677). If you have an emergency, please dial 911.



Don't rely on the "Luck of the Irish." Designate a sober driver. Happy St. Patrick's Day!

## Valley Community Policing Council (CPC)

## The idea is simple: Build relationships and work with communities to address their concerns and priorities.

We are successfully fighting crime when we work hand-in-hand with communities to implement solutions that keep people safe. Our officers are working with neighborhoods, business owners, faith-based organizations, schools, and more to tailor proven public safety strategies to meet the needs of specific areas. APD Community Policing comprises three key components: Problem Solving, Community Partnerships and Organizational Transformation.

Problem Solving: Solving problems means, first, identifying issues that need to be addressed and then determining resolutions and devoting effort to meeting needs for a successful outcome. The SARA (Scanning, Analysis, Response, and Assessment) model is one of the most familiar processes for problem-oriented policing (POP). APD is using this model.

Community Partnerships: Partnerships between law enforcement and the individuals and organization: they serve to develop solutions to problems and increase trust in police. APD will focus on creating partnerships with a diverse section of the Albuquerque community and will work with key community stakeholders including, but not limited to:

- Other law enforcement agencies
- Social service providers
- Business community
- Educational institutes
- Local prosecutors
- Faith-based organizations
- Neighborhood interest groups
- Youth organizations

### Valley Command Meetings

Meeting times: Meets from 6 to 8 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month. Meeting information: Los Duranes Community Center 2920 Leopoldo Rd NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104

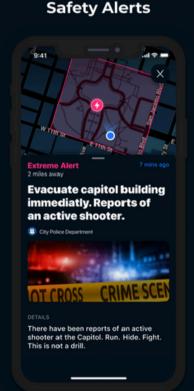
> For more information please visit: https://www.cabq.gov/cpoa/community-policing-council



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.

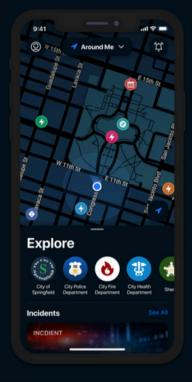
The Atlas One app will automatically send you an alert when a public safety issue occurs near your current location, or places you care about, such as your home, school, or office.





**Receive Personalized** 

Explore nearby events, incidents, places, and alerts



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







## **How To Contact Us**

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