

Southwest Area Command



SOUTHWEST AREA COMMAND IS
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The Southwest Area Command borders the Northwest and Valley area commands. Our border lines are as follows: Interstate 40 to the south, Rio Grande River to the west, and Albuquerque city limits to the west and south.

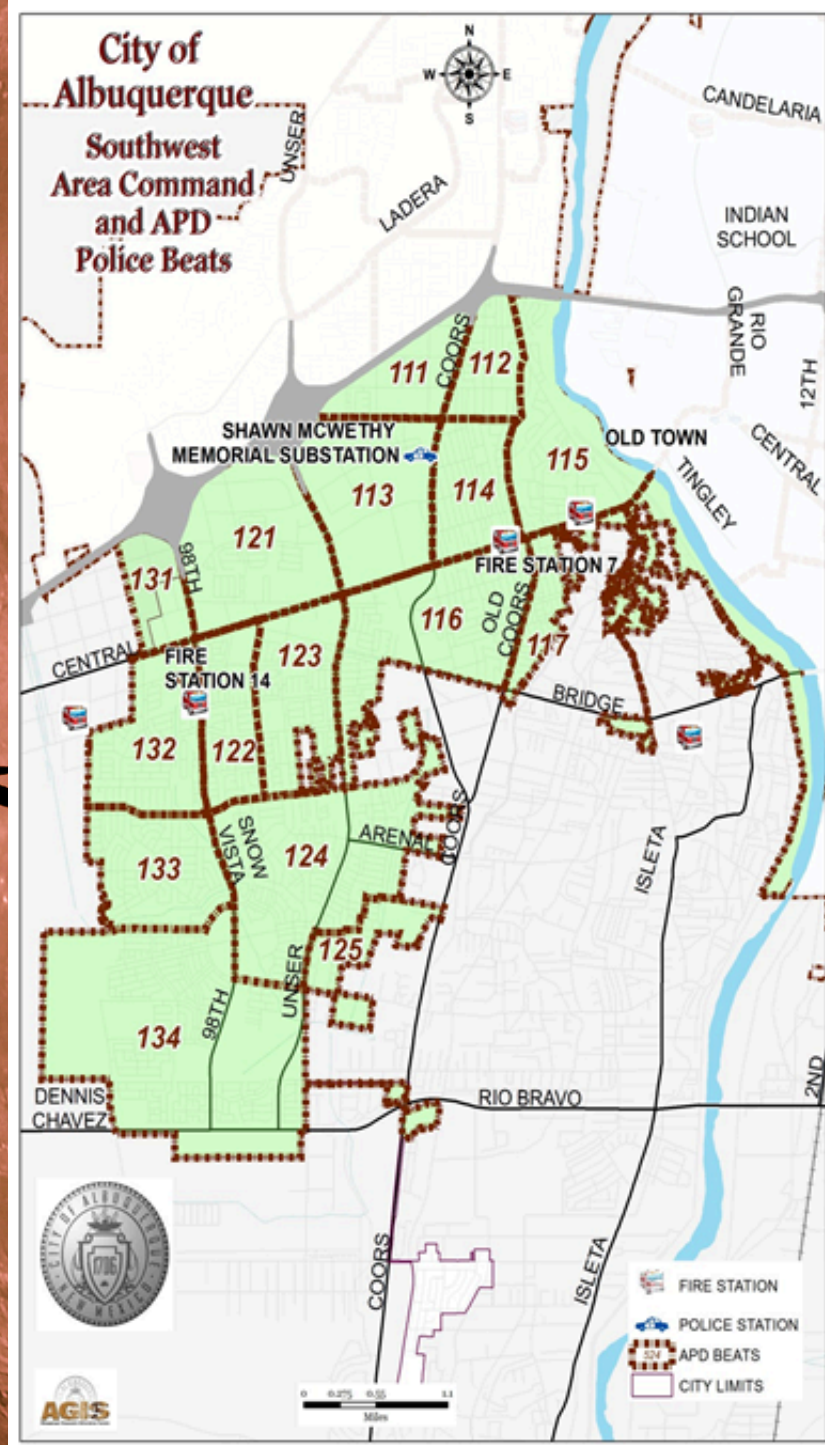
COMMANDER'S CORNER

Greetings,

Can you believe the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta is just around the corner? Soon our skies will be filled with those beautiful and magical hot air balloons giving our Albuquerque blue skies a beautiful scene. As reminder when you are driving to and from work to always pay attention to your surroundings and never drift your eyes away from the roadway, don't follow to close and always wear your seatbelt when driving, all passengers must also wear seatbelts properly.

My crime prevention tip for the month is to warn you that we are seeing a spike in auto burglaries throughout our city. Burglars are literally walking throughout neighborhoods just checking doors in hopes to find some car doors unlocked and take the valuables within. As a reminder, always lock your vehicle, remove all valuables from plain view, AND always remove your firearm from your car and secure it in your home. We continue to see this an increasing trend of gun owners leaving their firearm in their vehicle and car doors not being locked.

SOUTHWEST POLICE BEATS



CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

CRIME PREVENTION INFO FOR NEWSLETTER

Halloween is just days away. Little superheroes, cartoon and television characters will soon be out in their neighborhoods for trick or treat fun. Here are tips parents can follow to help keep the kids safe while enjoying the festivities.

Trick-or-treaters need to see and be seen. Use face makeup instead of masks which can make seeing difficult. Give trick-or-treaters a flashlight to light their way. Add reflective tape to costumes and trick-or-treat bags. If possible, have everyone wear light-colored clothing.

Use flame-resistant costumes.

When choosing costumes, stay away from long trailing fabric.

Make sure adults know where the kids are going. A parent or responsible adult should accompany young children door-to-door.

Be cautious around animals, especially dogs.

Walk, don't run.

Only visit homes that have a porch light on. Accept treats at the door and never go inside.

Walk only on sidewalks, not in the street. If there are no sidewalks, walk at the edge of the roadway, facing traffic. Look both ways before crossing the street, and cross only at the corner. Don't cross between parked cars, and don't cut across yards or use alleys.

Drivers — use extra caution as youngsters may forget to look both ways before crossing.

A grown-up should check all goodies before eating. Make sure to remove loose candy, open packages and remove any choking hazards. Discard any items with brand names that you are not familiar with.

If you are planning to welcome trick-or-treaters to your home, follow these safety steps:

Light the area well so young visitors can see.

Sweep leaves from your sidewalks and steps. Clear your porch or front yard of obstacles someone could trip over.



SOUTHWEST AREA COMMAND CRIME STATISTICS

Definitions

Burglary – Unauthorized entry of any vehicle, watercraft, aircraft, dwelling or other structure, moveable or immovable, with the intent to commit a felony or theft therein.

Robbery – Consists of the theft of anything of value from the person of another or from the immediate control of another, by use or threatened use of force or violence.

Motor Vehicle Theft – Consists of a person taking any vehicle or motor vehicle intentionally and without consent of the owner.

PROPERTY CRIMES REPORT: October 2024

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY = 14

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY = 7

AUTO BURGLARY = 26

AUTO THEFT = 37

Commercial Robbery = 3

Stolen Vehicles Found In Southwest Area
Command=

All attached crime numbers are preliminary numbers based on calls for service and pulled directly from the CADS system

Substation Hours

All police substations are open to the public the hours of operation are from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

If you need an Accident Report form or a copy of an Accident Report you can call with your case number to have it mailed to you via US Mail they are not provided through email. When you come in to get a report make sure to bring in your ID and Case #. For any other report call the substation to make sure it is available before coming by (505)831-4705.

The Old Town Substation is now open Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM and on Friday 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM and on weekends from 11:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

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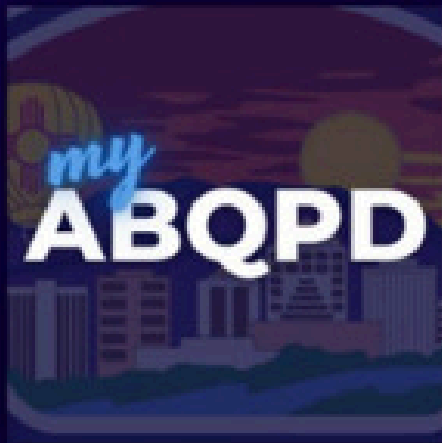
Southeast Area Command
800 Louisiana SE
Albuquerque, NM 87108
505-256-2050

Northwest Area Command
10401 Cibola Loop NW
Albuquerque, NM 87114
505-768-4850

Northeast Area Command
8201 Osuna NE
Albuquerque, NM 87109
505-823-4455

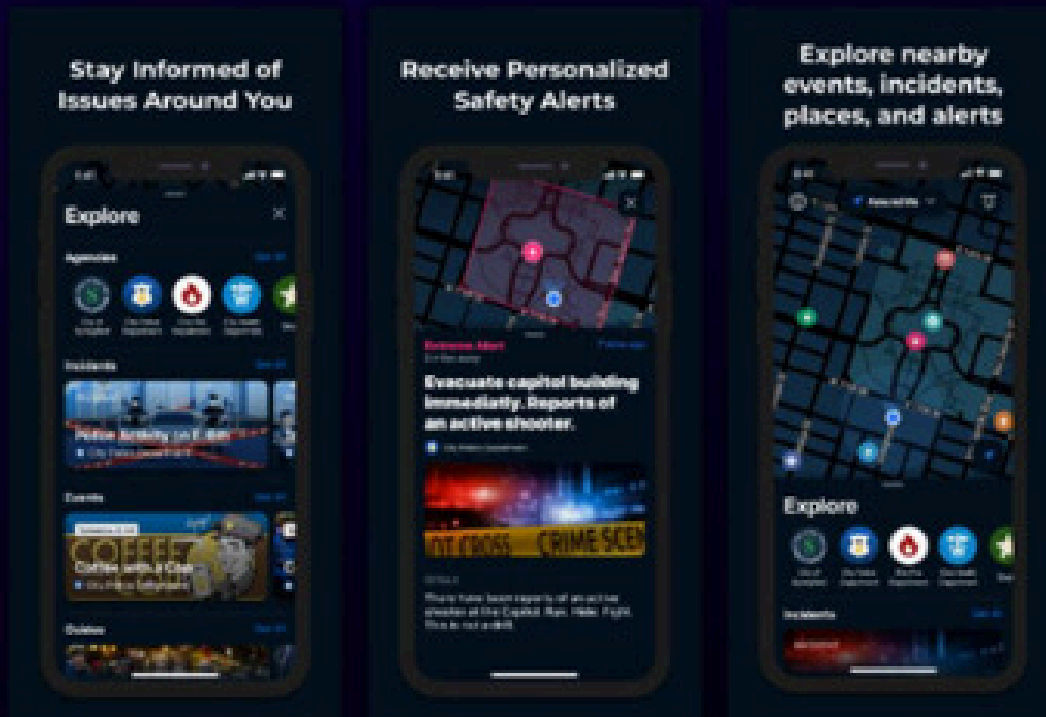
Foothills Area Command
12800 Lomas NE
Albuquerque, NM 87112
505-332-5240

Valley Area Command
5408 2nd St NW
Albuquerque, NM 87107
505-761-8800



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.



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



Atlas One will be replacing the ABQ Police App. Please join in the transition today. this link <https://youtu.be/OEQ1MfJyWCo> is a guide on using the new Atlas One App

OCTOBER 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	1	2 CPC 6:00pm	3	4	5	6
7	8 SWAN 5:30pm	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 1pm Hotel Hospitality- Ghala West Mesa NA 6pm	17	18	19	20
21 Alamosa NA 6:00pm	22	23	24 6:30pm Westgate Heights NA	25 6pm Tenants Meeting	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Southwest Area Command Community Policing Council

The Southwest Community Policing Council (SW CPC) aims to facilitate communication, collaboration, consensus-building, and cooperation between the Albuquerque Police Department (APD) and the community.

We do this by holding meetings that include all residents as community participants and the Council persons that take a more active role in facilitating the topic choice and meeting schedule. O-20-27 Community Policing Council Ordinance <https://www.cabq.gov/community-policing-council/documents/o-20-27-cpc-ordinance-05-24-2022.pdf> allows for eleven (11) council members. SW would love to have a full council of members looking for a way to encourage constitutional community-oriented policing that benefits all residents of the Southwest Area Command.

The SW CPC will work closely with Commander Barraza and his officers to ensure that we are creating an environment that welcomes all persons in the SW area of Albuquerque. The meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month. The current start time is 6:00 p.m., but we are surveying and debating changing it to 6:30 if it accommodates peoples' schedules better. To express an opinion on the start time, send an email to zeldaszebb@gmail.com. Please help us grow the Council membership by completing a statement of interest.

<https://www.cabq.gov/community-policing-council/community-policing-council-application/community-policing-council-application>

We need all community participants to help make us a successful council that meets its duties as laid out in the Ordinance.

November 6, 2024, @ 6:00p.m., will be the next meeting of the SW CPC, SW Area Command (SW A/C) Officers, and the community participants of the SW corner of Albuquerque. Please join us to discuss constitutional community-oriented policing training and how officers utilize the available training, electronic applications and community programs. We will talk with the Commander, SW A/C Officers, and other representatives of the APD.

You are requested to join the conversation by registering at this link for the Zoom webinar:

https://cabq.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_YwMyuaiQQ8ij9nf99gSGbQ

Sincerely,

Ernest Esquibel, 1st Chair

Andrew Griegog, 2nd Chair



CREATING POSITIVE CHANGE



Message from Chief Medina



Hello Albuquerque! The fall season is upon us and Balloon Fiesta is right around the corner. We have plans in place to help keep the park safe as well as all those attend both near and far.

I hear there are some new balloons this year as well as improvements to the park itself, so I hope everyone takes some time to get out and enjoy our city's largest event.

I would like to share more about an announcement regarding Campus Crime Stoppers getting back into the school system. Our Crime Stoppers Liaison was a driving force in getting this partnership with APS back up and running, and we are grateful for the district allowing students to have a tool at their fingertips to be able to report crime anonymously.

Students are able to report either on the website at p3tips.com or they can also text "ABQCS" to [738477](tel:738477). More on this announcement will be coming soon!



We recently announced some promising news over our efforts on shoplifting across our city, specifically the Northeast and Northwest Area Commands as they are home to our largest shopping districts.

APD Proactive Response Team officers in the Northeast and Northwest Area commands have shifted focus to property crimes, specifically shoplifting, in the areas of Cottonwood Mall, Coronado Shopping Center and Uptown. APD has seen a decrease in citywide shoplifting from 884 reported incidents in January 2024 compared to 444 incidents in August 2024.

2024 SHOPLIFTING OFFENSES

	Southwest	Valley	Southeast	Northeast	Foothills	Northwest	University	NULL/OOJ	Total
Jan	29	30	5	445	191	163	13	8	884
Feb	19	24	8	342	143	157	14	7	714
Mar	21	25	6	245	150	167	6	11	631
Apr	15	20	5	300	126	187	28	12	693
May	11	19	5	299	159	139	14	9	655
Jun	12	16	3	263	100	136	22	4	556
Jul	11	28	1	229	73	119	15	13	489
Aug	19	31	2	213	44	97	23	15	444
Total	136	193	35	2,336	986	1,165	135	80	5,066

PRT officers and Organized Crime Unit detectives have worked joint operations in the busier shopping districts, identifying and arresting repeat known offenders. Business owners throughout the city are encouraged to join the Albuquerque Retail Assets Protection Association (ARAPA) to connect with local law enforcement and share trends, help identify repeat offenders and build lines of communication. Businesses can register [here](#).

As always, thank you for your continued support!



-Chief Harold Medina



RAPID HIRING EVENT

Law Enforcement Aide Program
\$19.75/ HR

Are you interested in becoming a PSA or Cadet with the Albuquerque Police Department? If so, join us for our Rapid Hire Event! We will be offering immediate temporary hire within a week of the rapid hiring event to qualified individuals interested in becoming a cadet or police service aide.

This program provides applicants with a temporary job while going through the background check process. Applicants will participate in a fitness regimen designed to help them successfully complete the physical cadet entry assessment during your regular work hours.

Join APD recruiters at the Rapid Hiring Event to learn more!

**AUGUST
17 & 18**

**8 AM - 3PM
5412 2nd St NW
Albuquerque, NM
87107**

Register for event:

www.cabq.gov/LEAP
or call 505-343-5040



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