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Message from the Int. Commander

By: Int. Commander Josh Richards, Phil Chacon Memorial Substation



Good morning SE!!!!

Just wanted to give a quick update on Southeast Area Command. We have completed the new Southeast Substation and are now scheduling the community room for use.

If you wish to use the community room you will find the email for an official request or you can call the substation to request the room.

We finish our Field Service Bureau BID this week. I fully expect for the majority of our officers to return to the SE and keep this momentum we have going!!!

Finally, I am excited to continue to build my relationship with all of you in the SE. I have been making my rounds to different community meetings, businesses and contacts with residents of the SE. If you see me around please say hi. If you would like me to stop by your business or meeting send me an email. until next month stay safe.

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Message from Chief Medina

Hello Albuquerque, I hope everyone is doing well! I can't believe we're already into February, but we have so much planned for the year ahead. I've been spending time at the Roundhouse with the ongoing Legislative Session advocating for several bills we have put forth.

Operations on Central Avenue continue as we now have a dedicated Major over this effort to help clean up the area while providing individuals much needed resources.

From our Traffic Division enforcing speeding and other roadway violations, to our specialty units checking on individuals and criminal activity, to our High Risk Victims Unit (HRVU) assisting individuals and investigating human trafficking, the initiative is a department wide effort.



We have an exciting announcement for our community in the Southeast, with the grand re-opening of the Phil Chacon Memorial Substation. The new substation has been a long time coming and now has amenities for community members and our officers.

The 21,000 square foot facility is made up of three different zones, with a secured booking area and holding cells, as well as evidence storage. The substation also houses a new community room that can fit up to 100 people.



As a way to better connect with the community, we are putting more focus into Nextdoor. We will continue using our page to share proactive information, including upcoming community events, crime data, operation results, safety tips and important community updates. We have also created another account, @APDInfo, to allow us to share, interact and post in some of the neighborhoods across the city.



In Old Town this past weekend, we hosted our first Cops vs. Kids event in partnership with Old Town Hobbies and Games. There was a great turnout and we received significant feedback from kids and parents that they'd like more events like this.

We will continue to find more ways to engage with the community, and I encourage you to reach out, and get in touch with us if you have ideas to partner in your community or at your business. Please contact our Community Engagement Manager at Angelinanavarro@cabq.gov.



Chief Harold Medina



ABQ 311

Help me clean up graffiti in our community and download the "ABQ 311" App. It's easy, if you see graffiti in our community stop in a safe area and take a photo. Pin your location and give a brief description of what and where the graffiti is located so our city employees can easily respond for clean-up.

Southeast Area Community Policing Council (SEACPC)

CPC.ABQ.Southeast@xemaps.com

Albuquerque's six Community Policing Councils (CPCs) work to promote and maintain inclusive, respectful, and cooperative interactions between the community and the Albuquerque Police Department. Our goal is to ensure Constitutional community policing. With that in mind, we focus our efforts on principles commonly called the

"Four C's"

communication, collaboration, consensus-building, and cooperation



Join us for our upcoming meeting....

Southeast Command Meetings

Meeting times: Meets from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month.

International District Library - 7601 Central Avenue NE

However, if you prefer to attend virtually, here is the link to join us by Zoom:

<https://cabq.zoom.us/j/88936665733>

APD

FAMILY ADVOCACY CENTER

(FAC) is committed to providing victims of domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault and their families with a safe setting to assist in addressing and overcoming the trauma of their experience and break the cycle of violence.

- Domestic Violence Resource Center, 24 hour hotline (505) 248-3165

- SANE- Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners, 24 hour hotline (505) 883-8720

- Rape Crisis Center of New Mexico, 24 hour hotline (505) 266-7711

Member Information

Council Chair:

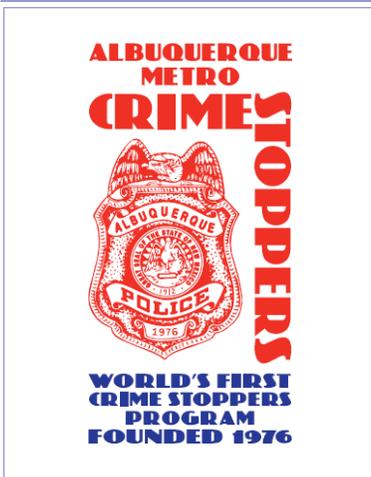
Council Vice-Chair: TBD

Other Members:

Jeffrey Archuletta

Paul Chavez

Chris McDaniel



TIP HOTLINE:
505-843-STOP



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Albuquerque Metro Crime Stoppers is a community program that relies on anonymous tips to solve crimes and to locate fugitives from justice. Without anonymity of callers, the program cannot be effective.

Crime Stoppers pays rewards only for anonymous tips. Tipsters who identify themselves are not eligible for a reward.

Crime Stoppers has sole discretion to decide the amount of any reward to be paid, from zero to \$1,000.

Crime Stoppers will pay rewards only for tips given directly to it. Any tip given to another source, such as law enforcement, will not be eligible for a Crime Stoppers reward.

Crime Stoppers does not pay rewards to any person who has a legal duty to assist in the arrest of suspects and fugitives.

Felony Gun Crime + Arrest = Up to a \$1,000 CASH REWARD

Know someone who has used a gun to commit a crime, a felon in possession of a firearm or someone in possession of a stolen firearm?

Report anonymously to Crime Stoppers by:

Calling **843-STOP**

Submit Online Tip at **crimestoppers.com**

Web Tip at **P3Tips.com**

Download **P3 Tips** mobile app.



Crimemapping.com

Receive alerts in your area; view calls for service for your block or a radius of up to two miles of an

FBI.gov

Romance Scams

In romance scams, a criminal uses a fake online identity to gain a victim's affection and trust. The scammer then uses the illusion of a romantic or close relationship to manipulate and/or steal from the victim.

The scammer wants to establish a relationship as quickly as possible, endear himself to the victim, and gain trust. Scammers may propose marriage and make plans to meet in person, but that will never happen. Eventually, they will ask for money.

The criminals who carry out romance scams are experts at what they do and will seem genuine, caring, and believable. Con artists are present on most dating and social media sites.

Scam artists often say they are in the building and construction industry and are engaged in projects outside the U.S. That makes it easier to avoid meeting in person—and more plausible when they ask for money for a medical emergency or unexpected legal fee.

If someone you meet online needs your bank account information to deposit money, they are most likely using your account to carry out other theft and fraud schemes.

Protect Yourself

- Be careful what you post and make public online. Scammers can use details shared on social media and dating sites to better understand and target you.
- Research the person's photo and profile using online searches to see if the image, name, or details have been used elsewhere.
- Go slowly and ask lots of questions.
- Beware if the individual seems too perfect or quickly asks you to leave a dating service or social media site to communicate directly.
- Beware if the individual attempts to isolate you from friends and family or requests inappropriate photos or financial information that could later be used to extort you.
- Beware if the individual promises to meet in person but then always comes up with an excuse why he or she can't. If you haven't met the person after a few months, for whatever reason, you have good reason to be suspicious.
- Never send money to anyone you have only communicated with online or by phone.



Report Romance Scams

Visit [ic3.gov](https://www.ic3.gov), the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3), to report romance scams.

If you've been victimized, stop all contact with the scammer immediately.

FBI Warning: Do Not Click Anything

Laura Kuehn, NCPS, ICPS

All scams have one thing in common. They attempt to get you to act from a place of emotion rather than one of intelligence. It is why a scammer uses familiar businesses, charities, government agencies or outright scare tactics to get our attention.

The top scams are imposter scams and romance scams. Imposter scams can be someone stating that they are from a well-known company and you have overpaid for a service or product and they need to complete a refund by remotely accessing your bank account; or someone telling you that your utility bill is overdue and your electricity will be turned off if you don't pay....by gift card, credit card, or bank transfer. Or, perhaps someone pretending to be from law enforcement calling to say you have a warrant for not reporting to jury duty and if you don't pay will be arrested. The list spans only the imagination.

If you receive such a call, text, or email. STOP. Don't respond. Contact the company or entity directly to verify validity if you are at all in doubt. And, yes, you can check for warrants in Bernalillo County at https://bcapp.bernco.gov/BCSO_WarrantInterWITS/

Romance scams are the fastest growing type of scam affecting older adults. It is profitable for the scammer, sometimes netting them hundreds of thousands of dollars or more. Romance scammers will often groom their victims and invest time in making the relationship *seem* real. Some indicators of a romance scam:

- Can't meet you in person. If they do make plans, they will always fall through.
- Will ask you for money.
- Tell you how they want to receive payment, in a way hard for you to get back:
 - ◊ Western Union or Money Gram
 - ◊ Gift Cards + PIN Number
 - ◊ Money Transfer App
 - ◊ Cryptocurrency

Tactics to avoid romance scams:

- Avoid losing money to a scammer:
 - ◊ Never send money to someone you haven't met in person (and some you have)
 - ◊ Stop communicating immediately if something is not right.
 - ◊ Talk to a friend or family member you trust
 - ◊ Search online for the name plus the word scammer or position they say they hold plus the word scammer
 - ◊ Reverse search profile images and/or images received from the person

A few simple steps to avoid a scam: block unwanted calls and text messages; don't provide personally identifying information to an unexpected request; resist the pressure; never pay someone who insists on payment by gift card, wire transfer service like Western Union or Money Gram or cryptocurrency; finally, STOP, talk to someone you trust.

The Nob Hill – University Public Safety ECHO focuses on cases and issues in the area but the discussions and presentations benefit everyone across the community.

Join us to discuss problems and concerns in the area and for presentations addressing Mental Health, Substance Use, Community Health, Policing and skills for public safety. This is a great opportunity to meet community members and city stakeholders working in these important areas or dealing with various public safety issues.

Nob Hill-U Public Safety ECHO - Will Return Soon !

Upcoming sessions for Downtown ECHO:

Thursday, February 13 Human Trafficking and 27 TBD

Join US in March for Youth-led ECHO sessions - Thursday 13 The Juvenile Code and 27 for Consent

- ◆ **February 13th** 1:00- 2:30 pm – Downtown Public Safety ECHO **
- ◆ **February 18th** 6:00-7:30 pm – SE Community Policing Council Meeting
- ◆ **February 27th** 1:00- 2:30 pm – Downtown Public Safety ECHO **

- ◆ register using this link: <https://cabq.zoom.us/j/89315045751#success>

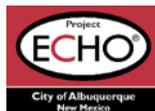
**** It's easy to participate via zoom:**

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via Zoom via PC, Mac, iOS or Android:

2nd Thursday Meeting ID: **893-1504-5751** Password: **Downtown**

4th Thursday Meeting ID: **896-0256-6056** Password: **Downtown**



REPORTING OPTIONS

Telephone Reporting Unit
242-COPS (2677)

Online Reporting: <https://www.cabq.gov/police/file-a-police-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. If in need of an accident example sheet, contact the Phil Chacon Substation at 256-2050 and one could be emailed to you.

New Mexico Uniform Crash Report:
<http://nmtrafficrecords.com/resources/new-mexico-uniform-crash-report-2/>



Substation Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Closed Saturday & Sunday and federal/public holidays

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Vision Statement

APD's vision is an Albuquerque where the community and the Police Department work together through mutual trust to build a thriving community.

Mission Statement

APD's mission is to build relationships through community policing that will lead to reduced crime and increased safety.

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Downtown Public Safety Echo meeting 6:00pm



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