

# Northwest Area Command



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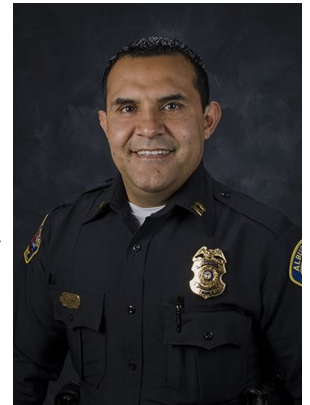
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First, I would like to say I am glad to be the commander for the Northwest Area Command, and thank you for the support you have provided to the area command and officers. A little about me, I started with the Albuquerque Police Department in 2001 after serving two years as an officer in Roanoke City, Virginia, where I started my law enforcement career. Over the course of my career at APD I worked as an officer in Field Services Bureau (FSB) until 2008 in Southeast, Valley, Foothills and Southwest Area Commands. I was promoted to sergeant in 2008 and to lieutenant in 2014, where I supervised teams in FSB in multiple area commands. In 2018 I was promoted to commander and spent the last three years in the Special Operations Division (SOD).



It's hard to believe that we are now nine months into the year. We have had many challenges this year, in particular with an increase in crime. However, we have built many new partnerships. In July of 2021 we conducted our Business meeting with the West Bluff Business Coalition. We are scheduled to complete our second meeting with the Cottonwood Mall Area Business and in September we will meet with the Riverside Businesses.

This year, on September 11, 2021 will mark the 20th anniversary of the attacks at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and Flight 93 that crashed in Shanksville, PA. I ask that on September 11, 2021 we please take a moment to remember all those innocent people who lost their lives in New York City, the brave souls at the Pentagon, and the heroes of Flight 93.



I look forward to working with all of you. Please reach out to me or my staff with any questions or concerns.



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## Crime Prevention Corner

### Working with the NW Area Command Business Coalitions

The NW Area Command is starting the business coalitions for the businesses in the NW community. Phase # 1, West Bluff business coalition. Phase #2, Riverside business coalition. Phase #3, Cottonwood Mall business coalition.

The NW Area Command is working together with Councilor Sena, Councilor Borrego and Melissa Sanchez, executive director of the Albuquerque Westside Business Association. The focus is encouraging the community to support businesses on the west side. Advocating on behalf of the businesses. Educating businesses on resources available to them by actually having those resources speak at the meetings. Some resources include the Crime Prevention Unit, Crisis Outreach and Support Team, Albuquerque Retail and Protection Assets (ARAPA). There will be regular speakers at the business coalition meetings.

The Albuquerque Police Department is committed to making our community a safe environment for us to enjoy. Through community policing we will reduce crime and increase quality of life in your area. Together we will make our community a safer place to live.

### Community Events for September

- Westside Coalition meeting, (zoom), 6:30pm, the first Wednesday of the month.
- Community Police Council meeting (zoom), 6:00pm the third Wednesday of the month.
- Coffee with a Cop, Friday, September 17th, 9:00am, at the Chick-Fil-A located at 4001 Coors NW.
- Santa FV Village Neighborhood annual meeting, September 18th, at 4:00pm, at the Taylor Ranch library
- VIN Etching at the Target parking lot, September 18th, at Paseo Del Norte and I-25
- District 5 Fall Open house meeting (zoom) with Councillor Borrego, September 23rd at 6:00pm



# Northwest Area Command



## **Council Chair:**

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## **Other Members:**

- Jill Greene
- Tom Borst
- Ed Scoglietti
- Jeff Miller
- Isaac Padilla
- Harold Pope
- Gionne Ralph

Don Newton - Taylor  
Ranch Community Center  
4900 Kachina NW and or  
Zoom meetings

Meets from 6 to 8 p.m. on  
the **third** Wednesday of  
every month

## **Community Policing Council**

### **Council Goals**

The goal of each Community Policing Council is to engage in candid, detailed and meaningful dialogue between Albuquerque Police and the citizens they serve. Councils are independent from the City and Department. They are encouraged to formally recommend changes to Albuquerque Police Department policies and procedures. They are also asked to make recommendations and identify concerns, problems, successes and opportunities within each area command and for the department as a whole.

### **Council Membership**

Each of the six Community Policing Councils is composed of members from the community and voting members. Voting members must reside within or have businesses within the boundaries of their area command.

All attendees (members) are encouraged to submit recommendations, provide input concerning recommendations, ask questions and submit topics for discussion.



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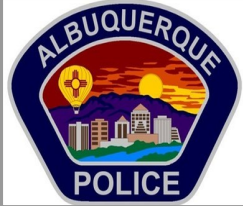


**NW Area Command Officer and Family Appreciation Event was held on August 27, 2021. Photos of the event**

**The NW Area Command would like to thank all the volunteers that helped for the event.**



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## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

APD'S COAST (Crisis Outreach and Support Team) is continuing to work with the West Side Homeless shelter , service providers and Field Officers to ensure that the homeless and most vulnerable are being offered shelter and resources. Along with this collaboration , we are stressing the importance of education for this population due to limited access or knowledge to some of the safety measures. Masks , hygiene, water and food are being provided on a daily basis to those that are not wanting to go to the shelters. Service providers are continuing to do homeless outreach throughout the City. The Westside Emergency Housing Center is continuing to remain open 24 hours, 7 days a week and will accommodate as many people as possible. The City opened up hotels to assist with shelter numbers, this is helping keep the most vulnerable and families safe and provide social distance. The staff at the shelter has been working hard to keep everyone safe.

### **Important Numbers:**

311-City Resources

Homeless Assistance-505-768-HELP

Adult Protective Services-1-866-654-3219

NM Crisis/Warm Line-1-855-466-7100

Domestic Violence Hotline-1-800-799-7233

Legal Aid-505-633-6694 (Questions about eviction)

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