

## Albuquerque Police Department

WELCOME TO  
THE DOWNTOWN PUBLIC SAFETY DISTRICT  
E-NEWSLETTER



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### NEW ACTING COMMANDER NICK WHEELER



*I am back in the Valley! My name is Nick Wheeler and I have been with APD since 2007, but have been a police officer since 2004. The last three years I was the Motor Lieutenant in the Traffic Division.*

*Prior to that, I was assigned to the Valley Area Command for 11 years. I have worked here as an Officer, Sergeant and Lieutenant and consider the Valley, home. I am familiar with the different communities throughout the command, the problems that have been present for years and concerns of the businesses and residents.*

*I am looking forward to working with all of you to make the Valley Area Command a safe, inviting and beautiful place to live, work and play. Please feel free to reach out with concerns, ideas or to give my people praise.*

*Please be safe and together we can accomplish anything!*

### Substation

#### Hours of Operation:

Monday—Friday  
8:00 am—5:00 pm

#### Location:

320 Central Ave SW, 87102

#### Dayshift Patrol Hours:

Mon—Thurs  
7:00 AM—5:00PM

#### PATROL:

- Lt. Jose Sanchez
- Sgt. Erica Lowry
- Officer Mike Avila
- Officer Victor Olvera
- Officer Josh Harris
- Officer Richard Sedillo
- Officer Henryk Hinkle-Zaleski

#### Swingshift Patrol Hours

Wed—Sat  
5:00 PM— 3:00 AM

#### PATROL:

- Officer Chance Gore
- Officer Eric Giles
- Officer Nathan Kamps
- Officer Josh DeLeon

#### APD Civilian Staff:

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**Other Services:**  
**Sharps Disposal (Needles)**  
 - Call 311  
<https://www.cabq.gov/environmentalhealth/sharps-disposal>

**Albuquerque Community Safety Administration (ACS)** - Call 311, 242-COPS or 768-4227  
[acs@cabq.gov](mailto:acs@cabq.gov)—ACS sends trained professionals to non-violent and non-medical 911 calls for service involving issues such as mental/behavioral health, homelessness, and addiction as well as non-behavioral issues such as abandoned vehicles and needle pick-ups.



**PROPERTY CRIMES**  
**AUGUST 2022**

Auto Thefts = 15  
 Recovered Vehicles = 5  
 Auto Burglaries = 5  
 Residential Burglaries = 4  
 Commercial Burglaries = 5  
 Robberies/Individual = 3

## Valley -Community Policing Council

For September the topic of our meeting will be downtown, our title is Downtown: Myths and Realities.

Everyone who lives and works in the area knows that it's a mixed bag, it's not 100% safe and it's not 100% dangerous. However, other than First Friday Artwalk and the Grower's Market few people come here because they say that the area is "unpleasant." This does us a great disservice, we have a lot happening down here and in many ways we are a vibrant and interesting community. I personally wouldn't live anywhere else in Albuquerque.

We are planning to have representatives from residents, from the business community, and from APD. We would love to have you come to the meeting or attend virtually to discuss the advantages and disadvantages you come across and what could be done to dispel some of the myths and improve some of the realities. This is, in our opinion is an important topic, and we hope that some of you will participate as we would value your thoughts, concerns, and opinions.

Our meetings take place at the Johnny Tapia Community Center which is on Mountain between 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> with parking one block up on Rosemont the date will be September 22<sup>nd</sup>. We run from 6:00 to 8:00 pm and reserve the last thirty to forty-five minutes for community issues and concerns. We look forward to seeing, either virtually or in person. The link to get an invitation to attend virtually is:

[https://cabq.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_7Z1iT-WbR9-9-s1dEYOjiA](https://cabq.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_7Z1iT-WbR9-9-s1dEYOjiA)

All the best,  
**Rowan Wymark, CPC**  
**Your Community Policing Council**

## PUBLIC SAFETY ECHO

### Up Coming Sessions:

- ◆ **September 8— Topic: The Domestic Violence Task Force**
- ◆ **September 22—Topic: APD & CIT @ RBT Reality Training for crises**

Please join us at 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

**Zoom in:** <https://zoom.us/j/5052273877>

**Meeting ID: 505-227-3877 Password: Downtown**

**Phone in:** Dial: 1-646-558-8656 / Enter the meeting ID: 505-227-3877 #-then hit # again. Do you have a Downtown Public Safety Issue?

**If you have a topic you would like to address or if you would like to submit a case please contact Maria Wolfe at Email: [mwolfe@cabq.gov](mailto:mwolfe@cabq.gov) or Mobile: 505-917-5559.**



## DCP—Downtown Communication Partnership Team

**Our Mission** is to provide a platform for the Downtown Community to share information, ideas, resources, and concerns. Through networking, we will work together to improve the quality of life Downtown.

**Our Vision** is to develop quality relationships with each other, and with our connections, that advance those relationships and enhance each other’s success while positively contributing to Downtown Albuquerque.

**Our Intention** is to promote networking while increasing and expanding DCP participation to improve the possibilities for everyone’s success. We will enhance each others’ endeavors through:

**Collaboration**—We will cross-promote each others’ organization.

**Communication**—We will keep in regular contact with each other.

**Connection**—We will learn about each others’ organizations, and reveal our own.

**Community**—We will stay committed to our community and its environment.

**Welcome Melanie Lewis - Co-chair with Valery Simpson.**

Melanie is the Community School Coordinator for Lew Wallace Elementary School in the Downtown School Collaborative.

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**Next Meeting Scheduled: September 15, 2022**  
**For further information Email:**  
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## Officer’s Grand Total Stats August

<i>Felony Arrests</i>	7	<i>Notifications</i>	1
<i>Felony Cleared</i>	5	<i>Shot Spotter CFS</i>	2
<i>Misdemeanor Arrests</i>	6	<i>Traffic Accidents</i>	9
<i>Misdemeanor Cleared</i>	6	<i>Towed Vehicles</i>	6
<i>Misdemeanor Citations</i>	2	<i>Community Contacts</i>	495
<i>Misdemeanor Summons</i>	3	<i>Business Contacts</i>	197
<i>Traffic Citations</i>	99	<i>Behavioral Health Transports</i>	7
<i>Recovered Vehicles</i>	3	<i>Jail Diversion</i>	0
<i>Firearms Recovered</i>	1	<i>Outreach</i>	2
<i>Reports Written</i>	80	<i>Patrols</i>	131
<i>Traffic Stops</i>	173	<i>Field Briefing</i>	9
<i>Calls for Service</i>	314	<i>Referral Follow Up</i>	7
<i>Onsite Activity</i>	414	<i>Schedule Events of Meetings</i>	10
<i>Criminal Trespass</i>	17	<i>Specialized Duties</i>	24
<i>DWI</i>	2	<i># of Camp Clean -Ups</i>	34
<i>DWI Assist</i>	3	<i>LEAD</i>	0



## REPORTING OPTIONS

### Telephone Reporting Unit

242-COPS (2677)

Online Reporting: [https:// www.cabq.gov/police/file- a-police-online](https://www.cabq.gov/police/file-a-police-online)

APD App: Search ABQ Police in Google Play or the App Store



To access a traffic 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 Downtown Public Safety Substation at 505-768-4735.

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

WWW.CABQ.GOV/POLICE

## Calling 911 – Emergency Calls

An emergency is anytime an individual's life, safety or property is *immediately* in danger or there is a crime in progress. Below is guidance on what to expect and tips to help you.

### What to Expect

- The system directs you to the nearest public safety dispatch center.
- Who, What, Where: Explain why you are calling and describe if the situation is still happening or not.
- The operator's questions will guide you.
- Give the exact location/address where help is needed, including information on apartment number, suite number, location inside building.
- Give your name, current location and phone number.
- Stay on the line. DO NOT hang up until the operator releases your call. Situations change constantly and updated information may be needed.

### Tips

- Remain calm - breathe.
- Answer all questions and follow directions as instructed.
- When describing a person include information on height, build, clothing, and unique features (scar, tattoo, facial hair).
- When describing a vehicle include type of vehicle, color, style (2 door, 4 door), distinguishing features, license plate (number – full or partial, color of plate, state).
- Direction of travel for both vehicle and person (if on foot).
- Cell phone users: Your address is not visible to the operator; the cell phone will list latitude and longitude.

## Non-Emergency Calls – 242-COPS (2677)

A non-emergency is a situation where an individual's life, safety or property is not in immediate danger, but a police response is needed.

### Types of non-emergencies

- Residential Burglary – with time delay or no offender on scene
- Commercial Burglary – with time or no offender on scene
- Loud Party
- Suspicious Activity

### Telephone Report Unit

- Auto Theft
- Auto Burglary
- Identity Theft
- Vandalism
- Larceny
- Lost Property

## Additional Resources

Online Reporting: <https://www.cabq.gov/police/file-a-police-report-online>

APD App: Search ABQ Police in Google Play or the App Store

Substation Reports: Accident Reports; Offense Reports with no suspect information

Hearing or Speech Impaired: The public safety dispatch center is equipped with TTY/TDD to allow communication with your device.

Limited English Proficiency: Operators have access to the Language Line which will provide translation.



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