Foothills Area Command Community Policing Council

Minutes November 18, 2019

(Third Monday this month only because Center closed on Veteran's Day)

1. **Call to Order – Chair Joe Abbin**
   Council present: Joe Abbin, Mark Burton, David Barbour, John Clark, and Justin Hadrych-Rosier, David Anderson
   Approximately 49 attended from the public, Lt. Shawn Garrett, Cmdr. Jimmie Collins, and Chris Sylvan from APD

2. **Old/New Business**
   a. **Review/amendment/approval of Agenda: Approved**
   b. **Review/amendment/approval of September and October Minutes: Not available**
   c. **Review/approve FH CPC Recommendations 6 &7 (see Appendix B): Approved**

3. **APD Presentations - Lt. Shawn Garrett**

   November Foothills Property Crime Report

   - **19 Commercial Robberies**
   - **6 Robberies to an individual**
   - **47 Stolen Vehicles**
   - **20 Commercial Burglaries**
   - **40 Residential Burglaries**
   - **100 Auto Burglaries**

   September Foothills Violent Crime Report

   491 Aggravated assaults this time in 2018, 467 this year

   September Foothills Use of Force
   - **13 events recorded**
   - **1 Serious Use of Force**
   - **10 Use of Force**
   - **2 Show of Force**
   - **No Tactical Activations**

4. **Pulse of the Neighborhoods—Brief reports from CPC members and citizens**
   - **Joe Abbin presented a comparison of Albuquerque crime stats for 2017 and 2018 based on the newly released (September 30, 2019) FBI Uniform Crime Report. See Appendix A of these minutes for the presentation slides. The FBI data reveals that Albuquerque violent crime remained unchanged between 2017 and 2018 at record breaking levels, putting our city in the top four worst cities in the US for violent crime and number one for property crime. The FBI numbers differ substantially from the numbers reported by the city in the Albuquerque Journal even though the source data came from APD in all cases.**
   - **Byron Powdrell- related that he observed a vehicle going the wrong way on Tramway and called 911 but nobody responded apparently because the wrong way driver went from county to city and the handoff of the call did not happen.**

5. **Presentation – Pete Dinelli on "Housing for the Homeless" and the recent Bernalillo bond issue for a homeless center that was passed earlier in the month. Mr. Dinelli is a lawyer and former city councilor who has dedicated decades of his life to public service. He maintains a blog, www.petedinelli.com with 60,000 followers with his analyses of many public issues. Some of the high points of his presentation follow:**
   a. **A January point in time survey revealed 1524 homeless living on the street in Albuquerque and the number has been increasing year to year**
   b. **Some think actual number may be 5000 based on school free lunch stats**
   c. **80% of homeless are suffering from mental illness or drug addiction**
   d. **Westside overflow jail is now a remote homeless shelter, costs $5M annually to operate, $1M to transport homeless back & forth to downtown**
   e. **Bond issue did not specify a location for new shelter and issue might have failed if it did since nobody wants it in their neighborhood**
   f. **New shelter may be scattered smaller shelters rather than a central facility**

6. **Raffle and Adjournment**

   Next meeting: Monday, December 9, 2019; 6-7:50 pm Holiday Park Community Center. Holiday "Meet & Greet" party in lieu of a regular meeting.
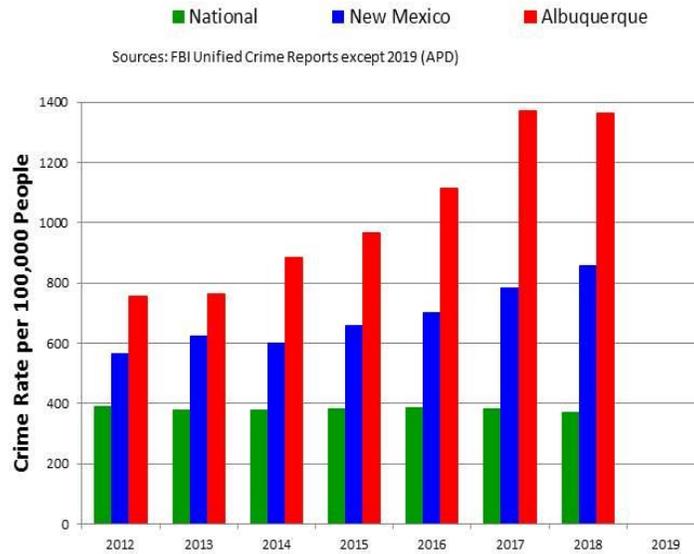
   Contacts: Joe Abbin, FH CPC Chair at roadrunnerengr@msn.com and CPC Administrator, Chris Sylvan at csylvan@cabq.gov or cpc@cabq.gov

   Minutes of CPC meetings are posted at http://www.cabq.gov/police/community-policingcouncil/community-policing-council-minutes .
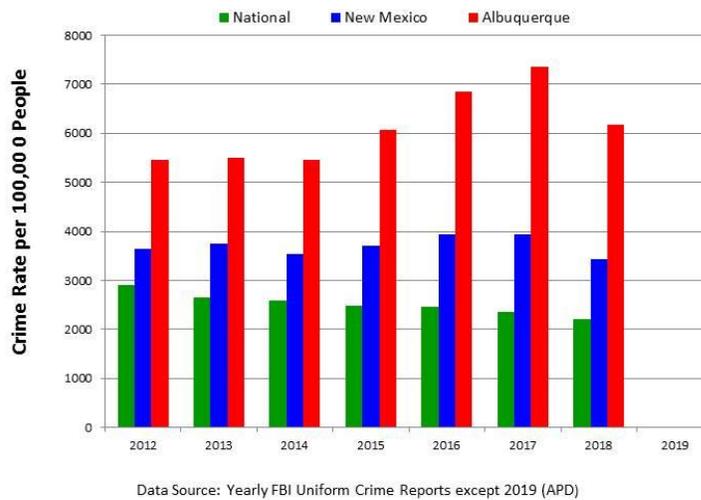
Appendix A
2017 - 2018 Albuquerque Crime Summary

Albuquerque Violent Crime Index

■ National   ■ New Mexico   ■ Albuquerque

Sources: FBI Unified Crime Reports except 2019 (APD)

2018 Albuquerque average is 370% of the national average!

Albuquerque Property Crime Index

■ National   ■ New Mexico   ■ Albuquerque

Data Source: Yearly FBI Uniform Crime Reports except 2019 (APD)

2018 Albuquerque average is 280% of the national average!

How do we compare with our neighbors and the rest of the US?

2017 - 2018 Violent Crime Rates (FBI statistics)
Rate = (homicides + aggravated assaults + rapes + robberies) ÷ population

City	2017 Rate	2018 Rate
Detroit	2057	2009
Memphis	2003	1944
Baltimore	2028	1835
Albuquerque	1369	1365
Chicago	1099	1006

Our neighbors, etc. Much better than ABQ

Phoenix	761	733
Los Angeles	761	748
Amarillo	758	807
Colorado Springs	524	556
NYC	538	541
US average	383	369
El Paso	378	371
Scottsdale	157	165

ABQ Crime Statistics – FBI vs. APD for 2017 & 2018

Year	2017		2018		
Violent	**FBI[1]**	**APD[2]**	**FBI[1]**	**APD[2]**	**Notes**
Homicide	70	72	69	65	
Agg Assault	4213	4213	5119	3885	Threat with weapon
Robbery	2930	2930	1979	1887	Theft with threat
Rape	473	473	479	461	
Totals	7686	7688	7646	6299	
Population	562,000		560,235		
Rate/100k	1368		1365		No Change per FBI
Property	**FBI[1]**	**APD[2]**	**FBI[1]**	**APD[2]**	
Auto Theft	7684	7692	6616	5341	
Auto Burg		12999		9218	
Com Burg		2298		1918	
Res Burg		4704		3847	
Burg Total	6996		6378		Theft with B&E
Larceny	26670		21625		Theft
Totals	41350	27693	34619	20324	
Rate/100K	7358		6179		16% less per FBI

Sources: 1) FBI (https://ucr.fbi.gov) 2) APD as reported by Albuquerque Journal (12/28/18)

Appendix B

2019 Foothills CPC Recommendations Summary

Number	Title/Subject	Date Submitted	Disposition
2019-1 FH	APD provide "ABQ Blues" to command staff	1/14/2019	Adopted 1/19
2019-3 FH	APD work with FH Youth Outreach Committee	5/6/2019	Adopted 10/14/19
2019-2 FH	APD provide Violent Crime Statistics Monthly	Resubmittal	See 2016-2/none
2019-4 FH	APD Re-establish/Expand APD Reserve Unit	5/6/2019	Denied; appeal?
2019-5 FH	APD Restructure Citizen's Police Academy	10/18/2019	Under study
2019-6 FH	APD Provide Arrest, etc Statistics	11/21/2019	Under study
2019-7 FH	APD Identify, etc Volunteers	11/21/2019	Under study