



VILLAGE OF LOS LUNAS

POLICE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT

2023

CONTENTS:

Chief`s Message.....	3
Organizational Chart.....	4
Calls For Service Stats.....	6-7
Arrest By Type.....	10-11
Incident Reports.....	12
Response of Resistance.....	14
Citizen Complaints.....	15
Alternatives Revenue.....	8
DWI / Traffic Unit.....	9
E-Bikes.....	5
Special Operations.....	16
Drone Stats.....	13
Staff Photos.....	17



CHIEFS MESSAGE

I am delighted to take this opportunity to share with you the remarkable achievements and progress of the Los Lunas Police Department throughout the year 2023. As Chief of Police, it is my honor to report on the dedication and hard work of our team in ensuring the safety and well-being of our community.

One of the key accomplishments in 2023 has been the strategic growth of our police force to meet the demands of our expanding community. Recognizing the need for adequate staffing, we successfully welcomed 9 new members to our department during the past year. Among these additions, two are certified lateral officers, five are uncertified officers, and two are civilian records clerks.

Looking ahead, we are committed to enhancing the capabilities of our team, and I am pleased to inform you that the five uncertified officers will embark on their journey at police academies in January and February of 2024. This investment in training underscores our commitment to maintaining a highly skilled and professional police force.

In addition to our recruitment efforts, we are proud to announce seven well-deserved promotions within our ranks. Two police officers have been promoted to detectives, three to sergeants, one sergeant to lieutenant, and a records clerk to evidence technician. These advancements not only recognize the dedication and expertise of our personnel but also contribute to the overall effectiveness of our department.

With the successful recruitment and promotions, I am pleased to report that our department is nearly fully staffed. This is particularly crucial as we have witnessed a rise in calls for service throughout the year. Ensuring proper staffing levels allows us to remain proactive in addressing the needs and expectations of our community promptly and effectively.

Moreover, recognizing the importance of equipping our officers with the necessary tools, we have focused on updating our aging fleet of police vehicles. This initiative ensures that our officers can respond to calls for service safely and efficiently, reinforcing our commitment to the safety of both our officers and the community we serve.

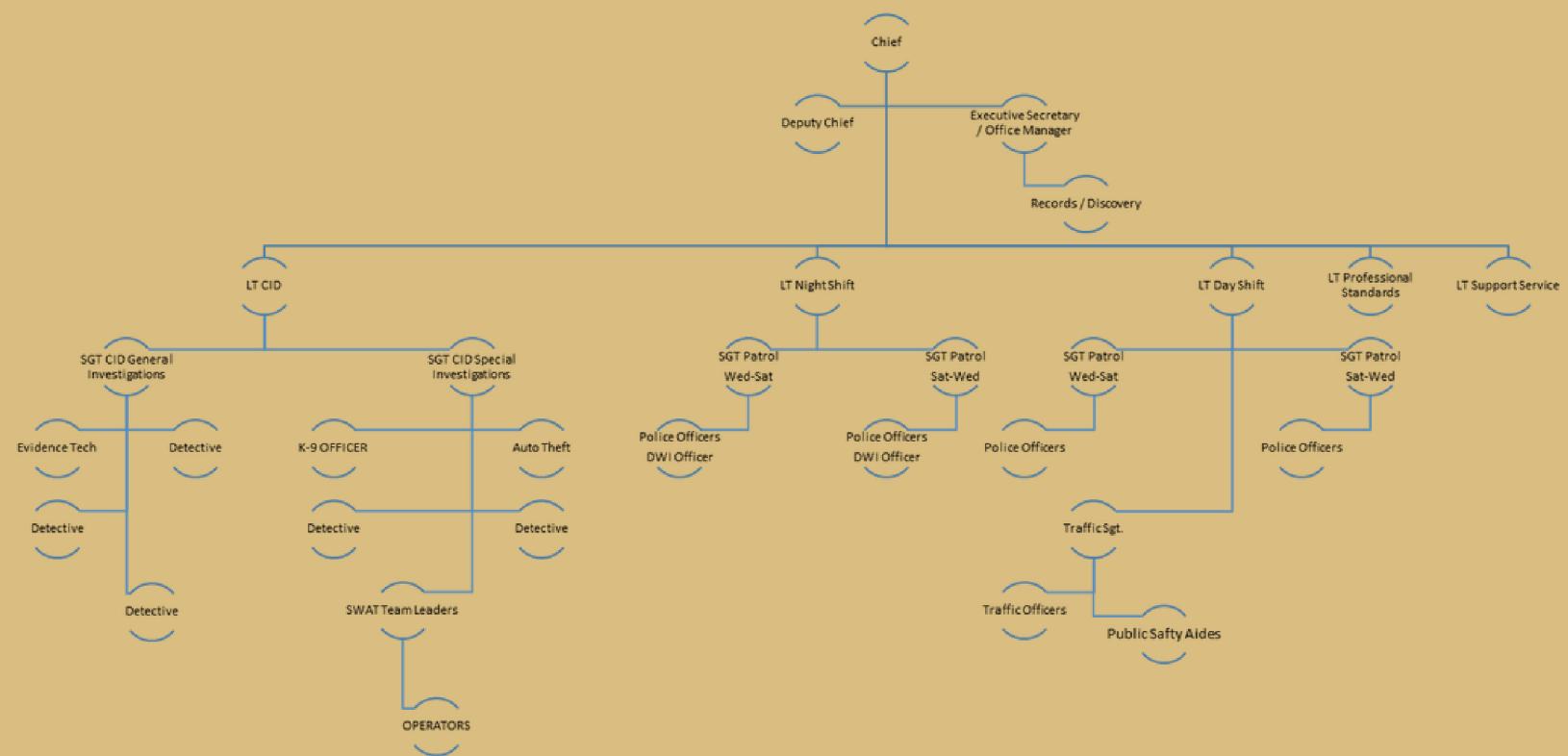
As we reflect on the accomplishments of 2023, I want to express my gratitude to every member of the Los Lunas Police Department for their unwavering dedication and hard work. It is through their commitment that we continue to uphold our mission of building relationships, solving problems, and making a difference. Our top priority will always be ensuring the safety and security of our community.

Thank you for your ongoing support, and I look forward to the continued success and growth of our police department in the coming year.

Sincerely,
Chief Frank Lucero

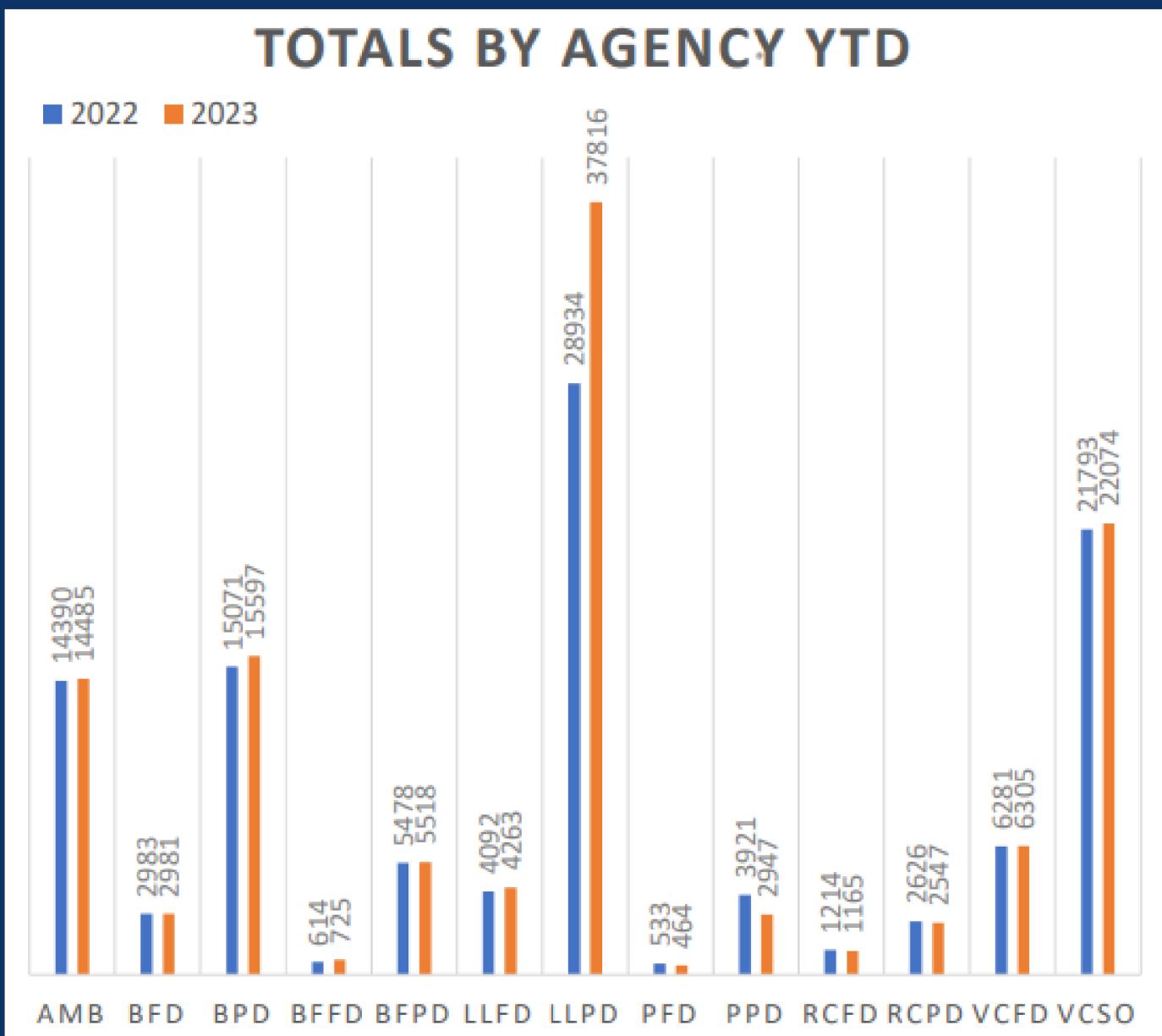


ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



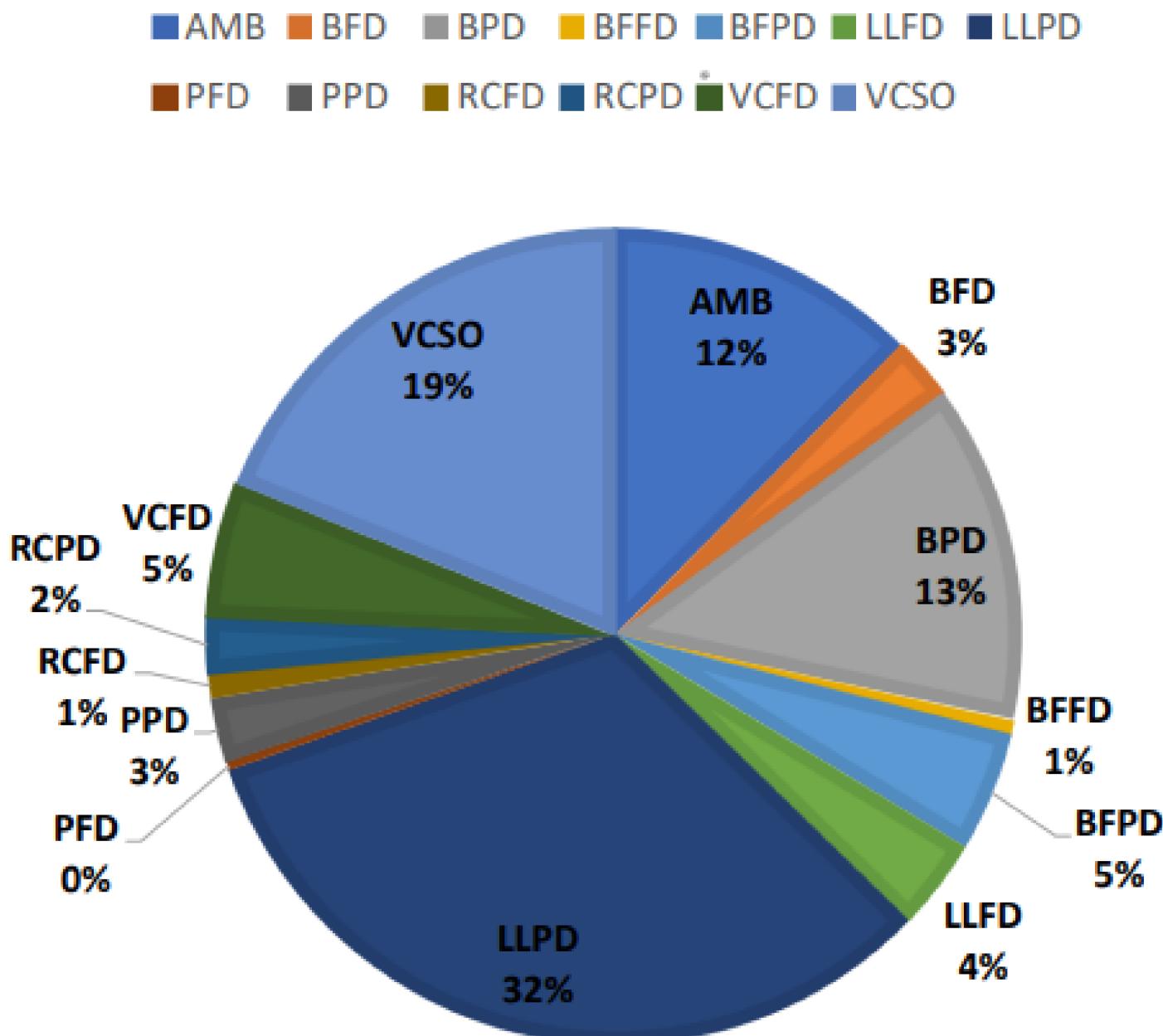
2023 Call For Service Statistics

- Valencia Regional Emergency Communications Center dispatched 116,887 total calls for service in 2023.
- The Los Lunas Police Dept continues to be the highest Incidents created with 32% of total incidents and 30.69 Increase Increase of incidents created over 2022.
- Incidents Increased 8.2% when compared to 2022.
- The following data charts only depict the law enforcement agency calls for service in Valencia County: Belen PD, Bosque Farms PD, Los Lunas PD, Peralta PD, Rio Communities PD, Valencia County Sheriffs Department and All Fire Departments.



2023 Call For Service Statistics

2023 ANNUAL INCIDENTS TOTALS YTD



ARRESTS BY TYPE 2023

Robbery	0
Aggravated Assault	28
Burglary	8
Larceny	92
Motor Vehicle Theft	1
Simple Assault	70
Intimidation	7
Counterfeit/Forgery	5
Vandalism	17
Drug / Narcotics Violations	78
Drug / Equipment Violations	0
Fraud	8
Stolen Property	19
Disorderly Conduct	6
DUI	104

ARRESTS BY TYPE 2023

Family Offenses-Non Violent	8
Liquor Law Violations	2
Trespass	29
All Other Offenses	24
TOTAL	506



INCIDENT REPORTS LOGGED BY CRIME TYPE 2023

NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER.....	0
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE.....	0
RAPE.....	7
FONDLING.....	5
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT.....	101
SIMPLE ASSAULT.....	181
INTIMIDATION.....	32
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION.....	19

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS TOTAL: 345

ROBBERY.....	7
BURGLARY/BREAKING & ENTERING.....	112
LARCENY/THEFT OFFENSES.....	427
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT.....	70
ARSON.....	2
VANDALISM.....	210
COUNTERFEITING/FORGERY.....	13
FRAUD OFFENSE.....	91
EMBEZZLEMENT.....	19
EXTORTION/BLACKMAIL.....	3
BRIBERY.....	1
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES.....	50

CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY TOTAL: 1005

DRUG/NARCOTIC VIOLATIONS.....	133
DRUG EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS.....	0
PROSTITUTION.....	0
WEAPONS LAW VIOLATION.....	37
ANIMAL CRUELTY.....	3

CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY TOTAL: 173

TOTAL OFFENSES: 1,523

Response to Resistance

The use of force by a police officer is an extremely sensitive issue and requires careful study and understanding by every officer.

Although the careful use of force is authorized by law, the use of unnecessary or unreasonable force is strictly prohibited and is not tolerated.

The Los Lunas Police Department's response to resistance policy permits officers to use only reasonable force necessary to effect lawful objectives in responding to perceived threats. Each time an officer with LLPD uses force, a supervisor will conduct an extensive review of the facts and circumstances surrounding the incident.

TYPE OF FORCE	Occurrences
BODILY FORCE (Strikes/Take down)	17
TASER	4
FIREARM (Includes pointing of firearm)	1
EXPANDABLE BATON	0
OTHER LESS LETHAL (Flash Bangs, 40mm gas)	0
OTHER (Control Holds, Firm Grip)	10
EMERGENCY MEDICAL (Physical Restraints)	8
TOTAL	40

Citizen Complaints

The Los Lunas Police Department takes all complaints against our members seriously. The public has a right to expect and demand fair and impartial law enforcement services. In providing these services, department employees must be free to exercise their best judgment and to initiate action in a reasonable, lawful, and impartial manner, without fear of reprisal. While the mutual rights of the public and the police officer are normally respected, situations may arise when these rights are reported to be violated. To protect the rights of the public and our employees, allegations of misconduct must be thoroughly investigated. Outcomes of citizen complaint investigations are classified as:

- **Exonerated**- The behavior in question was proper in all terms of applicable law and department directive requirements.
- **Not Sustained**- Insufficient evidence either to properly or disprove the allegation(s).
- **Sustained**- The allegations are supported by sufficient evidence.
- **Unfounded**- The allegations, upon investigation, are determined to be without bias.
- **Sustained violation not based on the original complaint**- Where the investigation determines, by a preponderance of the evidence, that misconduct did occur that was not alleged in the original complaint but that was discovered during the misconduct investigation.
- **Mediation**- A meeting between the accused officer, the complaint, and the officer`s supervisor.
- **Administratively closed**- Where the policy violation is minor, the allegations are duplicative or an investigation cannot be conducted because of a lack of information in the complaint.
- **Policy Failure**- Where the complaint revealed a policy failure. The allegation is factual and the LEO(s) followed proper agency procedure, however, that procedure has proven to be deficient.

CITIZEN COMPLAINT FINDINGS	QUANTITY
Exonerated	3
Not Sustained	2
Sustained	3
Unfounded	4
Mediation	0
Administratively closed	2
Policy Failure	1
TOTAL	15

Alternative Revenue

Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program	\$3,260.00
Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant 2023	\$13,609.00
NM DFA Law Enforcement Allotment	\$155,000.00
NM DFA Recruiting/Retention Grants	\$487,500.00
NM DFA Funding For Units	\$445,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,104,369.00





DWI / TRAFFIC UNIT



The Los Lunas Police Department DWI and Traffic Unit works hard everyday to ensure that the roadways we travel on are safe.

The Primary mission of the DWI and Traffic Unit is to reduce the number of traffic-related injuries by taking impaired drivers off the roadway and utilizing visible traffic enforcement in high-volume traffic areas.

The Traffic and DWI unit consists of two officers working nights and two officers working days under the supervision of a sergeant. Officer J. Sedillos and Officer G. Ortiz handle the day shifts which consists of high-volume traffic enforcement and crash investigations. Officer C. Gouker and Officer M. Abeyta work during the nights when the focus is on high-volume traffic enforcement as well as DWI Investigation. They are supervised by Sergeant R. Gray who is an experienced DWI officer and a certified Drug Recognition expert.

Throughout the year the DWI and Traffic Units Participate in different traffic safety enforcement such as STEP (Selective Traffic Enforcement Program), 100 days and nights of summer, click it or ticket, and enforcement checkpoints. These are grant-funded projects that officers work on when they are not on shift to endure the safety of those who are driving on the roadway.



In 2023, The Los Lunas Police Department purchased two Specialized Tero 5.0 E-Bikes. The E-Bikes are a mountain bike with an electric powered motor which can run for several hours on one of three motor assistance modes. Easy to operate and maintain, the bikes are a perfect addition to the fleet of equipment utilized by the officers of the Los Lunas Police Department.

Officers interested in utilizing the E-Bikes on duty will typically attend a 5 day law enforcement cycle course which is hosted by nearby agencies several times a year and follow the curriculum provided by the international police Mountain Bike Association.

The Los Lunas Police E-Bikes allow Officers to easily maneuver in tight spaces, like parking lots and between buildings as well as navigate in areas where a typical police vehicles may not be able to operate. Using the E-Bikes in areas of business as well as in open space area's and the Bosque allow for Officers to approach situations from a different vantage point as well as provide an element of surprise.

The Los Lunas Police E-Bikes can travel at speeds up to 20 MPH with the pedal assists motor and is accompanied by the handler LCD Bluetooth capable operations display. The Los Lunas Police E-Bikes are specially equipped with red and blue flashing lights on the front and rear as well as a front headlight and rear red light for safety. An extra 710Wh battery was also purchased and is always available for times of long operation use.

The E-Bikes are easily transported by vehicle if needed using the Thule T2 Pro X 2 bike rack, making the Los Lunas Police E-Bikes are limitless in their potential and operational use.



LOS LUNAS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Special Operations

SWAT, K9, THEFT, INTEL, CRIMINAL, SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

Yearly Report:

Special Investigations Unit After Action Report (2023)

Operation(s):

Auto Theft, Narcotics, and Retail Theft Location Village of Los Lunas.

Findings:

In the calendar year of 2023, the Special Investigations Division, comprising the Narcotics Division, Auto Theft Division , successfully executed operations within their respective areas of expertise in the Village of Los Lunas . The Following breakdown illustrates the total operations conducted by each division:

Auto Theft Division:

- 12 Vehicles Identification Number (VIN) Inspections
- 22 Auto Theft Operations
- 1 Vehicle Warm-Up Operation

Retail Theft Division:

- 9 Operations conducted at various retail locations within the village limits

Narcotics Division:

- 8 Narcotics Buys, including 3 Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (ISR) Operations



DRONE STATS 2023

- 180 Live and training missions since start date in October 2023
- 1.7 Million feet in distance traveled
- 50 Plus Hours in the air
- 1 UAV Search Warrant served (First in LLPD History, CID Wrote Warrant)
- Multiple controlled buy surveillance operations
- 5 Felony Apprehensions where the SUAS (Drone) Directly affected the arrest
- Multiple aerial patrols leading to wanted subjects, suspicious vehicles, and fires in the Bosque
- 5 LLPD Officers completed the LLPD SUAS Operations Course in December and 4 have successfully obtained Remote Pilot Licenses through the FAA
- 0 Crashes
- 0 Complaints
- On track to purchase more aircraft to assist in operations during normal functions of LLPD



