

2018 ANNUAL REPORT



*“Building Relationships,
Solving Problems, and
Making a Difference”*



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“The police are the public and the public are the police; the police being only members of the public who are paid to give full time attention to duties which are incumbent on every citizen in the interests of community welfare and existence.”
-Sir Robert Peel



2018



AWARD WINNER

This award program is designed to recognize 40 law enforcement professionals under the age of 40 from around the world that demonstrate leadership and exemplify commitment to their profession.



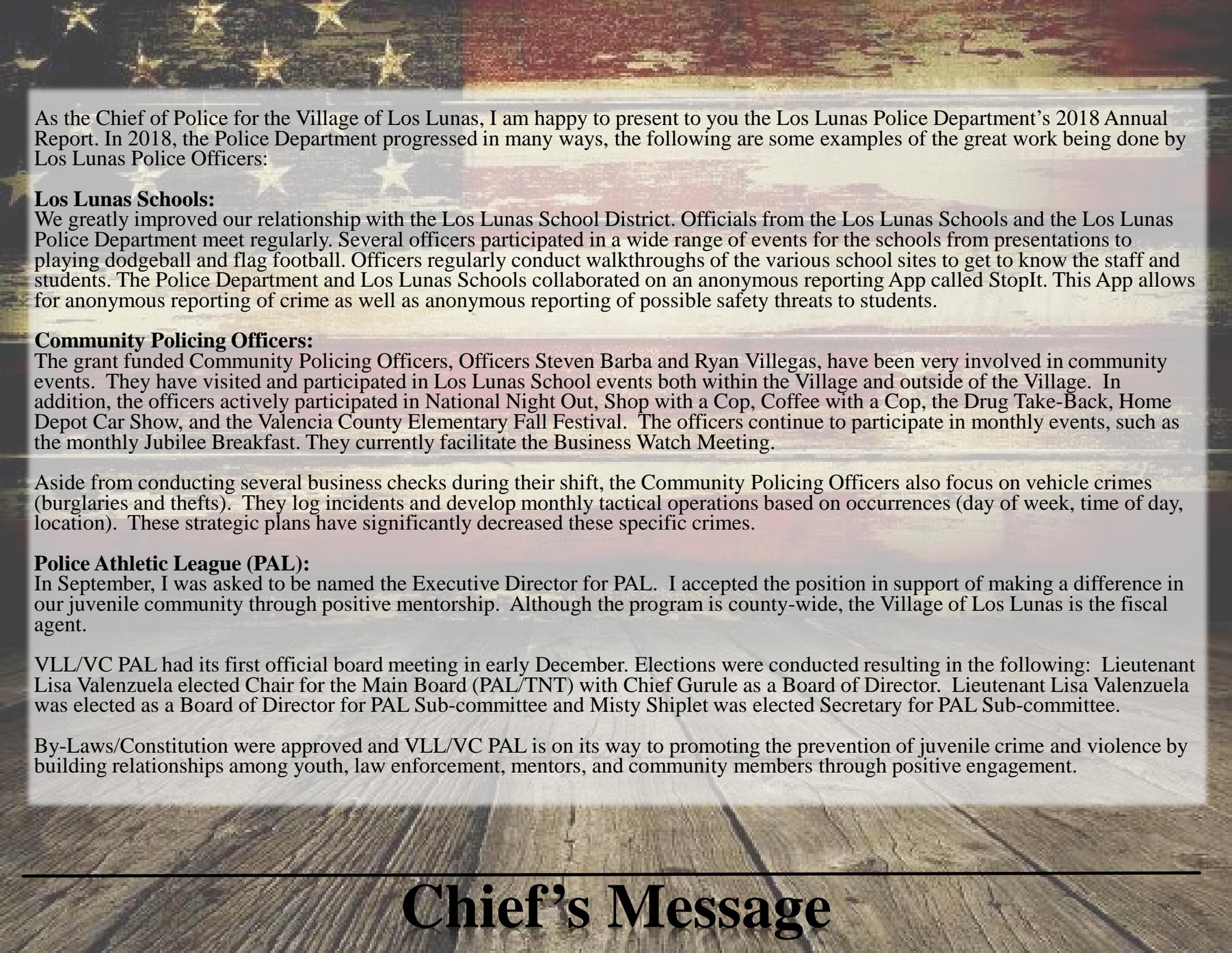
CHIEF NAITHAN GURULE took the helm at Los Lunas Police Department in 2014, at the age of 33, during a time of strained community-police relations. In his almost five years as chief, he has implemented many changes that have improved these relationships and the department in general. Chief Gurule encourages feedback from and communication with the community to better serve their needs, as shown in the monthly meetings he has organized with local business owners in order to facilitate conversation and positive interactions between the police department and the business owners. Another step that Chief Gurule has taken to improve community-police relations is to encourage experimentation among his officers while still upholding the department's values. He understands that in order to enhance policing, the department needs to try different methods.

"I owe my success to the team of leaders who surround me and provide support to me so that we can succeed as a team."

In 2003, Chief Gurule received the DWI Officer of the Year award. Knowing and understanding the importance of traffic safety, he created and implemented the first DWI and Traffic Units in the Los Lunas Police Department. Due to Chief Gurule's emphasis on traffic enforcement, 2017 was the first year in the area without a fatal traffic crash, and his efforts have greatly improved safety in his community.

In 2005, he received the Officer of the Year award at his agency, and, in 2017 and 2018, the citizens of Valencia County awarded him Best Police Officer. Not only is Chief Gurule an inspiration, a strong leader, and an example of positive community policing, but he also fosters leadership in others through educational opportunities and training that supports the department's mission and values.

-IACP 40 over 40 Award



As the Chief of Police for the Village of Los Lunas, I am happy to present to you the Los Lunas Police Department's 2018 Annual Report. In 2018, the Police Department progressed in many ways, the following are some examples of the great work being done by Los Lunas Police Officers:

Los Lunas Schools:

We greatly improved our relationship with the Los Lunas School District. Officials from the Los Lunas Schools and the Los Lunas Police Department meet regularly. Several officers participated in a wide range of events for the schools from presentations to playing dodgeball and flag football. Officers regularly conduct walkthroughs of the various school sites to get to know the staff and students. The Police Department and Los Lunas Schools collaborated on an anonymous reporting App called StopIt. This App allows for anonymous reporting of crime as well as anonymous reporting of possible safety threats to students.

Community Policing Officers:

The grant funded Community Policing Officers, Officers Steven Barba and Ryan Villegas, have been very involved in community events. They have visited and participated in Los Lunas School events both within the Village and outside of the Village. In addition, the officers actively participated in National Night Out, Shop with a Cop, Coffee with a Cop, the Drug Take-Back, Home Depot Car Show, and the Valencia County Elementary Fall Festival. The officers continue to participate in monthly events, such as the monthly Jubilee Breakfast. They currently facilitate the Business Watch Meeting.

Aside from conducting several business checks during their shift, the Community Policing Officers also focus on vehicle crimes (burglaries and thefts). They log incidents and develop monthly tactical operations based on occurrences (day of week, time of day, location). These strategic plans have significantly decreased these specific crimes.

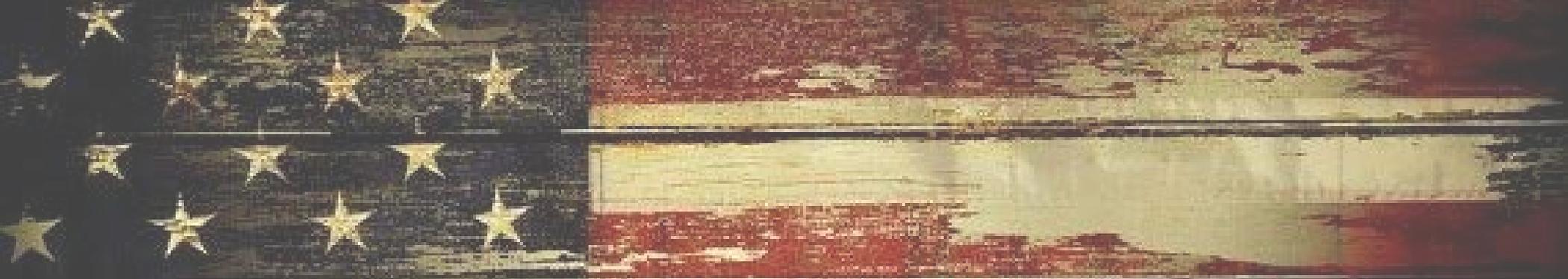
Police Athletic League (PAL):

In September, I was asked to be named the Executive Director for PAL. I accepted the position in support of making a difference in our juvenile community through positive mentorship. Although the program is county-wide, the Village of Los Lunas is the fiscal agent.

VLL/VC PAL had its first official board meeting in early December. Elections were conducted resulting in the following: Lieutenant Lisa Valenzuela elected Chair for the Main Board (PAL/TNT) with Chief Gurule as a Board of Director. Lieutenant Lisa Valenzuela was elected as a Board of Director for PAL Sub-committee and Misty Shiplet was elected Secretary for PAL Sub-committee.

By-Laws/Constitution were approved and VLL/VC PAL is on its way to promoting the prevention of juvenile crime and violence by building relationships among youth, law enforcement, mentors, and community members through positive engagement.

Chief's Message



DWI Unit:

Officer Ryan Gray was recognized by the New Mexico Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Program as the 2017 DRE of the Year. The DWI Unit accounted for 51% of the Department's DWI arrests (total of 111 in 2018). An additional officer has been selected for the DWI Unit; however, this officer, Officer Raymond Torres, has not yet begun. Although Officer Torres has not officially started, he still contributed to DWI arrests in 2018, which increases the numbers of DWI arrests for the unit to 68%. Officer Torres is also a certified DRE.

Traffic Unit:

Sergeant John Valdez and Officer Patrick Yokoyama completed the traffic reconstruction series. This brings the total number of officers who have attended to 7. Officer Jesus Sedillos has the most extensive training in crash reconstruction, having attended several different reconstruction trainings. Sergeant Valdez, Officer Sedillos and Officer Yokoyama attended the child safety seat technician training. Officer Sedillos became a VIN inspector and a firearms instructor. With the help of a federal grant, the traffic unit was able to purchase a Leica Total Station used to diagram crime scenes. Sergeant Valdez was instrumental in conducting several active shooter trainings for schools, businesses and our local government.

Alternative Revenue:

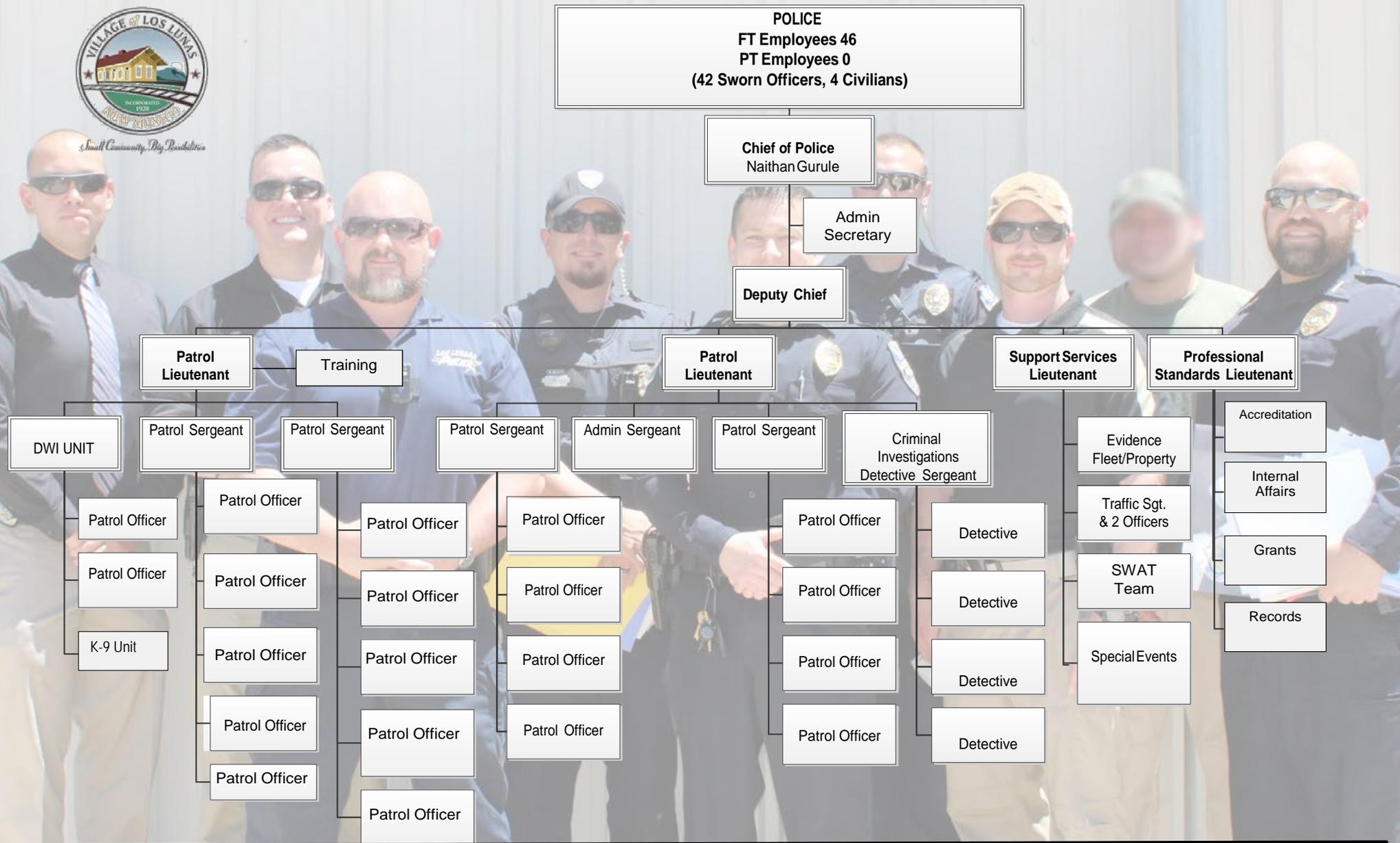
The department has continued to seek out sources of alternative revenue. Executive Secretary Rhonda Sanchez took it upon herself to get the department in a program through the State of New Mexico Workforce Solutions called the Work Innovation Opportunities Act. The program reimburses the department when we hire, promote or send an officer to training based on the certain guidelines established for the program. In 2018, LLPD was reimbursed \$24,859 for personnel, promotions, and training. LLPD was also awarded \$25,500 in traffic safety grant funding for traffic safety projects such as checkpoints from the State of New Mexico.

Enjoy the information that is contained in this report.

Chief's Message



Small Community, Big Resolutions



Organizational Chart



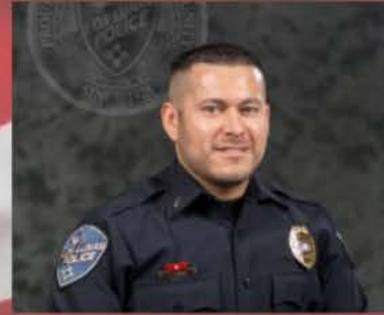
Chief Naithan Gurule
 Master's Degree in Criminal
 Justice, FBI NA #249
 Certified Traffic Recon
 16 Years of Service



Deputy Chief Vince Torres
 Bachelor's Degree in
 Criminal Justice
 17 Years of Service



Support Services
 Lieutenant Jose
 Hernandez
 Certified Traffic Recon
 19 Years of Service



Patrol/ CID
 Lieutenant Frank Lucero
 FBI NA # 270,
 Certified Traffic Recon
 12 Years of Service



Lieutenant Lisa Valenzuela
 Master's Degree in
 Organizational Leadership
 9 years of Service
 Drug Recognition Expert



Patrol/ DWI Lieutenant
 Charles Files
 U.S. Coast Guard
 Drug Recognition Expert
 13 Years of Service



Criminal Investigations
 Sergeant James Rich
 Certified Traffic Recon
 15 Years of Service



Patrol Sergeant
 Jonathan Norris
 U. S. Navy
 11 Years of Service



Traffic Sergeant
 John Valdez
 Master Firearms Instructor,
 Certified Traffic Recon
 13 Years of Service



Patrol Sergeant
 SWAT Sergeant
 Cassandra Kanyuck
 13 Years of Service



Patrol Sergeant Mark
 Gurule Crisis Intervention
 Certified
 8 Years of Service



Patrol Sergeant
 Anthony Baca
 Supervisor of the Year 2018
 11 Years of Service



Patrol Sergeant Brandon
 Carta Associate's
 Degree in Police Science
 6 Years of Service



Detective Heather
 Killingsworth
 U.S. Army
 17 Years of Service



Detective Nikki DeAnda
 Public Information Officer
 Recruiting Officer
 10 Years of Service



Detective Jeremy Shaw
Bachelor's in Criminology
& Psychology
U.S. Air Force
7 Years of Service



Detective Brenda Iturralde
Women's Leadership
Graduate, Field Training
Officer
7 Years of Service



K9 Officer Santiago Beyal
Associate's Degree in
Criminal Justice
U.S. Army
11 Years of Service



**Traffic Officer Jesus
Sedillos Certified
Traffic Recon
11 Years of Service**



**Patrol Officer
Rene Ruiz
Field Training Officer
7 Years of Service**



**DWI Officer
Ryan Gray
Drug Recognition Expert
6 Years of Service**



**Patrol Officer
Efrin Nunez
N.M. National Guard
4 Years of Service**



**Patrol Officer
Marcus Taylor
U.S. Marine Corps
4 Years of Service**



**Patrol Officer
Vicente Martinez
N.M. National Guard
7 Years of Service**



**Patrol Officer
Juan Jojola Bachelor's
Degree in Exercise Science
5 Years of Service**



**Patrol Officer
Isaiah Pena
Bachelor's Degree in
Criminal Justice
7 Years of Service**



**Traffic Officer
Patrick Yokoyama
Certified Traffic Recon
4 Years of Service**



**DWI Officer
Raymond Torres
Drug Recognition Expert
3 Years of Service**



Patrol Officer Mickey Lozano
Associates' Degree in
Criminal Justice
Field Training Officer
10 Years of Service



**Patrol Officer
Xiomara Sanchez
Field Training Officer
Officer of The Year 2018
9 Years of Service**



**Patrol Officer
Preston Smith
7 Years of Service**



**Patrol Officer
Kevin Harvey
1 Year of Service**



**Patrol Officer
Jason Welborn
Bachelor's Degree in
Animal Science
1 Year of Service**



**Patrol Officer Elliot Kitrell
Bachelor's in Applied
Science in Forestry
Wild Life
< 1 Year of Service**



**Patrol Officer
Ryan Villegas
< 1 Year of Service**



**Patrol Officer Stephen Barba
Bachelor's Degree in
Criminal Justice
< 1 Year of Service**



**Patrol Officer Jacob Storey
Bachelor's Degree in
Sociology
13 Years of Service**



**Patrol Officer
Wyatt Robinson
< 1 Year of Service**



**Patrol Officer
Anthony Romero
N.M. National Guard
< 1 Year of Service**



**Records Clerk
Misty Shiplet
11 Years of Service**



**Records Clerk
Erica Saiz
< 1 Year of Service**



**Executive Secretary
Rhonda Sanchez
9 Years of Service**



**Evidence Technician Julia
Vazquez Associate's Degree
in Criminal Justice. Civilian
Employee of the Year 2018
1 Year of Service**



**Records Clerk Volunteer
Ramona Hough**



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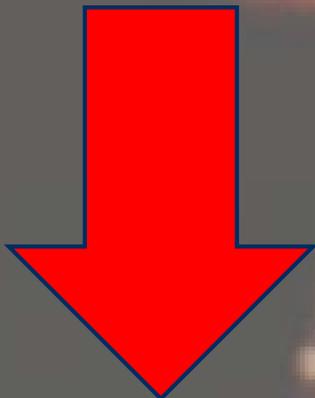
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant (BVP)	\$4,568
Edward Byrne Grant Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)	\$11,044
COPS Hiring Program Grant (CHP)	\$202,847
Traffic Safety 100 Days And Nights Of Summer	\$3,196
Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP)	\$6,800
Traffic Safety Operation Buckle Up	\$4,488
Traffic Safety ENDDWI	\$11,900
1033 Program	\$3,729
NM Law Enforcement Trust Fund	\$41,600
Walmart	\$2,500
Jubilee Community Crafts (Donation for Cops for Kids)	\$10,000
Huning Donation Cops for Kids	\$500
Work Innovation Opportunities Act (WOIA)	\$24,859
Contracted Overtime Events	\$28,616
TOTAL	\$ 356,647

Alternative Revenue



2018 Arrest Statistics

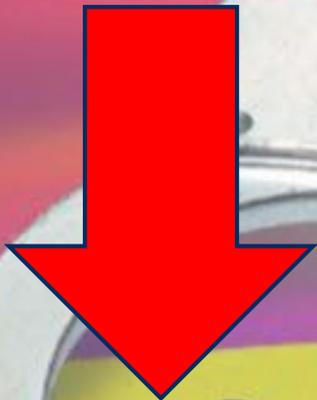
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<u>ARRESTS BY TYPE OF CRIME</u>		2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Classification of Offenses	UCR					
*MURDER	01A	0	0	0	0	0
MANSLAUGHTER	01B	0	0	0	0	0
CSP/RAPE	02	0	0	0	0	1
ROBBERY	03	2	1	1	1	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	04	60	55	41	37	30
BURGLARY	05	5	6	5	9	21
LARCENY/THEFT (EXCEPT MV)	06	55	52	70	33	35
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	07	1	22	17	26	2
OTHER ASSAULTS	08	18	19	18	23	15
ARSON	09	1	0	0	0	0
FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING	10	5	0	5	1	0
FRAUD	11	15	9	10	6	11
EMBEZZLEMENT	12	1	0	3	1	0
STOLEN PROP: BUYING, RECEIVING, POSSESSING	13	10	8	0	1	3
VANDALISM	14	8	7	1	4	1
WEAPONS: CARRYING, POSSESSING	15	6	3	6	4	7
PROSTITUTION	16	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSES (EXCEPT FORCIBLE RAPE;/PROSTITUTION)	17	0	1	1	1	1
DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS	18	35	84	38	20	20
GAMBLING	19	0	0	0	0	0
OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY AND CHILDREN	20	10	7	1	3	3
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	21	111	104	88	50	53
LIQUOR LAWS	22	4	0	4	1	0
DRUNKENNESS	23	0	0	0	0	1
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	24	3	0	0	4	4
VAGRANCY	25	0	0	0	0	0
ALL OTHER OFFENSES (EXCEPT TRAFFIC)	26	19	28	36	32	40
TOTALS		369	399	345	257	248



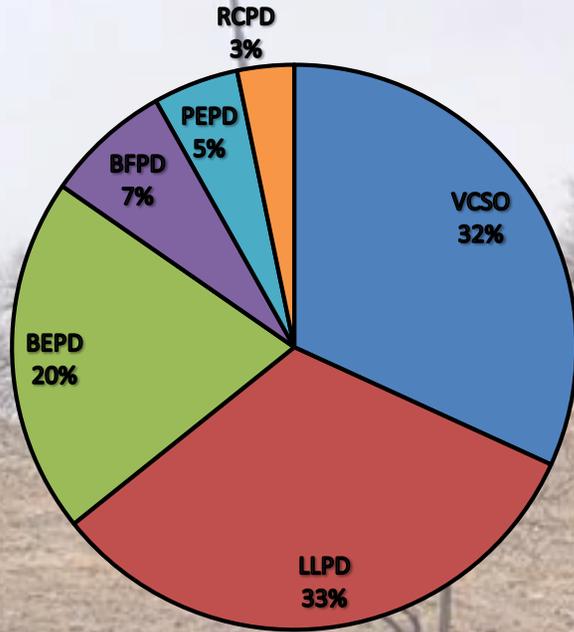
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INCIDENT REPORTS LOGGED BY TYPE OF CRIME		2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
<u>Criminal Homicide</u>						
Murder and Non-negligent Homicide		0	0	0	0	2
Manslaughter		0	0	0	0	0
Rape						
	RAPE	3	6	4	4	4
	Attempts to Rape	0	0	0	1	0
Robbery						
	Firearm	8	7	6	4	3
	Knife or Cutting Instrument	3	1	0	3	1
	Other Dangerous Weapon	4	3	2	1	1
	Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet, etc)	5	6	1	1	0
Assault						
	Firearm	15	19	19	22	23
	Knife or Cutting Instrument	17	23	13	10	6
	Other Dangerous Weapon	18	27	16	12	11
	Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet, etc.)	117	97	68	74	62
	Other Assault Simple	115	126	114	130	116
Burglary						
	Forcible Entry	59	80	70	54	69
	Unlawful Entry No force	43	67	49	42	60
	Attempted Forcible Entry	7	5	4	3	4
Larceny Theft	Shoplifting etc.	487	508	498	448	546
Motor Vehicle Theft						
	Auto	37	56	27	23	21
	Trucks & Buses	11	13	21	6	2
	Other Vehicles	37	31	57	50	36
Totals		986	1075	974	888	969

2018 UCR Statistics

Agency Total-2018



6,198 Traffic Stops

VCISO LLPD BEPD BFPD PEPD RCPD

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	
VCISO	1748	1419	1687	1700	2003	1775	1969	1923	1920	1753	1551	1438	20886	31.82%
LLPD	1708	1681	1751	1821	1822	1636	1778	1607	1525	2054	2240	1671	21294	32.44%
BEPD	1128	1105	1278	1115	1309	1117	1317	1154	1041	1098	863	867	13392	20.40%
BFPD	385	320	418	373	698	406	321	394	399	407	297	307	4725	7.20%
PEPD	323	337	331	330	143	314	229	265	283	258	240	159	3212	4.89%
RCPD	101	146	90	188	162	219	219	230	215	215	174	177	2136	3.25%

2018 Calls For Service

“Police officers must remember that they, too, are members of the public and that their purpose is to serve and protect the public.”

-Sir Robert Peel

CITIZEN COMPLAINTS	
FINDINGS	QUANTITY
Unfounded	15
Exonerated	8
Not Sustained	6
Sustained	3
TOTAL	32

RESPONSE TO RESISTANCE	
TYPE OF FORCE	AMOUNT
BODILY FORCE (Strikes/Take Downs)	12
TASER	2
FIREARM (Includes pointing of firearm)	3
EXPANDABLE BATON	0
OTHER LESS LETHAL (Flash Bangs, 40 mm gas)	4
OTHER (Control Holds, Firm Grip)	10
TOTAL	31

- Exonerated—Incident occurred but was lawful and did not violate policy.
- Not Sustained —Insufficient evidence either to prove or disprove the allegation(s).
- Sustained—The allegation is supported by sufficient evidence, and/or acts of misconduct where discovered during the investigation which were not alleged in the complaint.
- Unfounded—The allegation, upon investigation, is determined to be without basis of fact.

Citizen Complaints & Response To Resistance



Evidence Technician Julia Vazquez started with the Los Lunas Police Department in June of 2018. Since that time she has continued to display true motivation, dedication, and reliability in everything she does. Julia inherited an evidence room in need of some restructuring, and she took on this challenge with open arms. Currently, the processing of evidence is more streamlined, accurate, and dependable than it ever has been. We are very fortunate to have Julia on our team.



Officer Xiomara Sanchez began her tenure with the Los Lunas Police Department in 2015. She brought experiences gained from her position with the Albuquerque Public Schools Police Department. Her transition was seamless and she has excelled in her role as Patrol Officer with the Los Lunas Police Department. In 2018 she took an active interest in Traffic Enforcement. As a result, she wrote 835 Traffic Citations. Xiomara's increased traffic enforcement not only served as a visual deterrent to criminal offenders, but has also identified crimes in progress, in which she took appropriate action on. Xiomara's nominations for this award came from not only her direct supervisor, but also from the Traffic Enforcement Division supervisor who has taken note of the "strong work ethic" that she demonstrates on a daily basis.



Sergeant Anthony Baca was promoted to the position of Sergeant on May 19th, 2018, after finishing number one in the Sergeants promotional testing and interviewing process. Since that time he has far exceeded the expectations of a new supervisor. Initially Anthony was assigned to the DWI unit, followed by the Graveyard shift. During his short time on the DWI unit, he made nine arrests for DWI. When he was assigned to the Graveyard shift, his transition was seamless and he immediately structured his shift to meet the needs of the community and the department. Anthony consistently makes his expectations clear to his subordinates and offers clarification when needed. He leads his shift by example and also sets the example for other employees, even those not supervised by him.

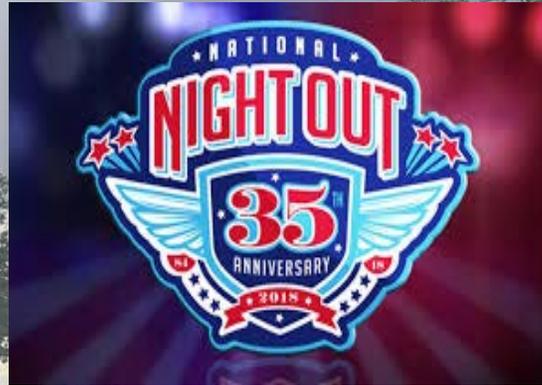
Employee's of the Year



K-9 “Perone” Statistics	
Call outs	19
Apprehensions	2
Drug Cases	5
Community Events	7

Notable accomplishments: The total audience for K-9 demonstrations is well over a thousand for the different events Perone has participated in. Both apprehensions for the year were incidents where the situation could have progressed rapidly possibly requiring a much higher use of force. Officer Santiago Beyal and Perone have successfully maintained certifications in both the National Police Canine Associations (NPCA) and National Narcotic Detector Dog (NNDDA) this year. Certifying is a difficult process in which the K9 team has to show capability for police operations. LLPD has been represented well by Officer Santiago Beyal and Perone. In addition to what has been mentioned, Officer Beyal and Perone have assisted in numerous building searches throughout Valencia County.

K-9 “Perone”



"The ability of the police to perform their duties is dependent upon public approval of police actions."
-Sir Robert Peel

Community



Community



**Certified Officer
Jacob Storey**



**Noncertified Officer
Ryan Villegas**



**Noncertified Officer
Stephen Barba**



**Noncertified Officer
Wyatt Robinson**



**Noncertified Officer
Anthony Romero**



**Certified Officer
Eliot Kittrell**

New Officers

Child Gun/Firearms Safety

The University of Michigan C.S. Mott Children's National Poll on Children's Health found that "over half of parents who don't own a gun have never talked with their children about gun safety."

This means those children are receiving what little they know of guns from their friends, extended family members, television, video games and movies, for the most part fiction and very little fact. The fact is young children are being killed and hurt in part because of the lack of information and prevention we as adults must provide, whether there are guns in our households or not.

In a 2002 edition of Injury Facts from the National Safety Council, they reported 3,385 firearms-related deaths for age group 0-19 years and in the breakdown, 214 were unintentional, 416 were children 5-14 years old and 73 were of children under five years old. All of the deaths in this article are tragic to those left behind but these accidents, more than any other firearm-related deaths, come with endless hypotheticals about what could have been done differently.

The key to prevention is awareness on the part of the child and most importantly the awareness of adults, for the sake of the children and peace of mind for themselves. To gather the knowledge requires some time and research on your part. There is a myriad of places to start looking for gun safety in articles, tips, studies, recommendations et al. Some good places to start are: www.projectchildsafe.org/safety, www.kidsandguns.org, www.cdc.gov/ncepc

BASIC GUN SAFETY RULES FOR PARENTS WHO OWN A GUN:

- ✓ KEEP GUNS UNLOADED & LOCKED.
- ✓ LOCK & STORE AMMUNITION SEPARATELY.
- ✓ DO NOT LEAVE GUNS IN YOUR VEHICLE.
- ✓ HIDE KEYS WHERE CHILDREN CANNOT FIND THEM.
- ✓ TALK WITH YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT GUN SAFETY.
- ✓ TEACH YOUR CHILD NOT TO TOUCH GUNS, AND TO TELL AN ADULT IF THEY FIND ONE.

The CDC estimated in 2004, 13,846 kids were injured by firearms, and 15,214 kids were injured by BB-Pistols.



Cars left unattended to warm up give out a clear message...



DON'T BE LEFT OUT IN THE COLD!

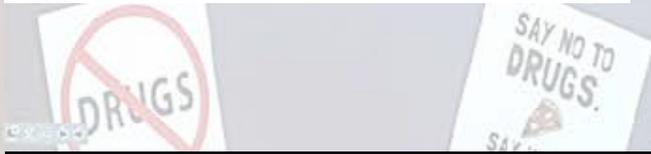
Never leave your vehicle unattended and running in your driveway, on the street or in a parking lot!!

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IF YOU SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING, REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO THE POLICE.

LOS LUNAS POLICE
EMERGENCY-911
NON-EMERGENCY (505) 865-9130
TEXT KEYWORD LLPD to 274857 (CRIMES)



SEE THESE? NHTSA

DO THIS.

MOVE OVER FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES

#MOVEOVER

Slow Down in School Zones

SCHOOL

KIDS ARE BACK TO SCHOOL!

TAKE EXTRA PRECAUTIONS IN SCHOOL ZONES

#SAFETYFIRST #DRIVESAFE

TEN REASONS NOT TO DRINK AND DRIVE

1. You will be arrested and spend at least one night in jail.
2. Automatic loss of New Mexico driving privileges for a minimum of 6 months.
3. Mandatory use of ignition interlock device for a minimum of 6 months even if not convicted for the DWI.
4. Automobile seizure in many localities.
5. Mandatory one-year criminal probation, which includes at a minimum: counseling, community service, alcohol and drug abuse screening, DWI school, Victim Impact Panel and again, an ignition interlock device.
6. Mandatory jail time for repeat DWI and/or Aggravated DWI.
7. Fines, court costs, and very expensive attorney fees that increase with each successive DWI.
8. Minimum of 6 months in jail and up to 18 months in prison, for a 4th DWI charged as a felony.
9. Felony child abuse charges if you have your children or other minors in the car. A minor is an individual under the age of 18. This might include the 17-year-old girl or boyfriend of your 18-year-old child. No kidding!
10. Last but not least, drinking and driving could take your LIFE!!!

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Community Tips Disseminated in 2018

loslunasnm.gov/police

social

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Community Publications



Thank you to the Mayor and Council, Village Administrator Martin, Village of Los Lunas employees, all law enforcement in Valencia County, our community members, business owners and the Los Lunas School District for their continued support. Thank you to the officers and civilian members of the Los Lunas Police Department for your hard work and dedication to our community.

