March 19, 2020

Mr. Miguel Coronado
Committee Chair
Lancaster Station Community Advisory Committee
Lancaster, California

Dear Mr. Coronado:

LANCASTER STATION RESPONSE TO CAC RECOMMENDATIONS

The Lancaster Sheriff's Station Community Advisory Committee (CAC) published its Third Annual Report to document the community engagement efforts of the Lancaster Sheriff Station between July 1, 2018, and June 30, 2019. On page 23 of the CAC’s Third Annual Report, the CAC made the following recommendations to Lancaster Station to help improve the overall relationship between the Sheriff’s Department and the community:

- The CAC minutes of February 2019 reflect a discussion the committee brought forward regarding the use of bike and foot patrols in the City of Lancaster. Some of our residents suggested the added patrols at our Town Halls.

Since the February CAC meeting, Lancaster Station has reinstated the use of bike and foot patrols on Lancaster Boulevard when staffing permits. The Boulevard attracts a lot of foot traffic and allows the deputies the ability to interact with the community on a more intimate level while still being in close proximity to the Station. During the summer months of 2019 Lancaster Station was able to provide a substantial increase of foot patrol on Lancaster Boulevard in response to the CAC’s recommendations. The CAC and Lancaster Station have discussed the feasibility of adding bike and foot patrols and the CAC recognizes the difficulty and challenges in doing so. Due to the distance from the Station and other considerations, such as call volume, having regular bike and foot patrols in the residential neighborhoods would not be a wise use of resources at this time.
This reinforces the commitment of the deputies at Lancaster Station to utilize the CAC to help improve the relationship of the Sheriff’s Department and our community.

Sincerely,

ALEX VILLANUEVA, SHERIFF

Todd P. Weber, Captain
Lancaster Station

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