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The year 2012 brought us a new set of challenges and success stories. The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department continues to be one of the finest law enforcement agencies in the world and a model for other agencies to emulate. Much of the credit goes to the men and women of this Department, who have accepted the leadership role in providing consistent, quality service to the people in the communities we serve.

In November of 2012, the State of California experienced their first full year of AB-109, the Public Safety Realignment Act. This act allowed for so-called non-serious, non-violent offenders and non-violent sex offenders to serve sentences in county jail or to be released from custody with little to no state supervision.

Additionally, the state and county continued to experience financial difficulties, reducing the Department's budget by millions of dollars in yet another round of cuts. Throughout these difficult economic times, we have all pulled together and I am proud to report that not one Department member has been laid off.

Despite these setbacks, the crime rate and homicide rate continue to be at all-time lows. Although Part I Crimes showed a slight increase, the release of prisoners into our streets and the cutbacks attributed to budgetary reductions had very little negative impact on public safety. This can only be attributed to the hard work and dedication of every member of this Department.

In addition to the positive impact we have experienced in keeping our communities safe, our personnel continue to make sacrifices that are a constant reminder of the dangerous job we have. Twenty-six Department members received awards at the annual Medal of Valor Awards ceremony for brave and heroic actions in September of 2012.

Another major accomplishment of the Department was the addition of twenty-four new, environmentally-friendly buses added to Court Services Transportation Bureau's fleet. Some of the oldest buses, with the highest emissions were replaced with new buses that provided increased efficiency, reduced nitrogen oxide and particulate matter emissions, helping improve air quality throughout Los Angeles County and promoting a “greener” environment.

In June 2012, Education Based Incarceration (EBI) was elevated from a program within Custody Division to its own Bureau. By December 2012, more than 7,500 inmates, both men and women, were students in the program and participated in educational programs that included GED and Life Skills classes, vocational training, and positive behavioral topics.

Although we continue to face obstacles as a Department, our members continue to exercise our Core Values by being leaders and honorably performing their duties in making our communities safe for the people we serve. Your commitment and dedication to the job are what make this Department and our Tradition of Service great.

Leroy D. Baca, Sheriff
Our Mission

Lead the fight to prevent crime and injustice. Enforce the laws fairly and defend the rights of all, including the incarcerated. Partner with the people we serve to secure and promote safety in our communities.

Our Core Values

As a leader in the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department, I commit myself to honorably perform my duties with respect for the dignity of all people, integrity to do right and fight wrongs, wisdom to apply common sense and fairness in all I do, and courage to stand against racism, sexism, anti-Semitism, homophobia, and bigotry in all its forms.

Our Creed

My goals are simple. I will always be painfully honest, work as hard as I can, learn as much as I can, and hopefully make a difference in people’s lives.

DEPUTY DAVID W. MARCH • EOW APRIL 29, 2002
100th Anniversary of Female Deputies

Margaret Q. Adams
In 1912, Sheriff Hammel appointed her as a deputy sheriff, the first woman in the United States to hold this position.
In The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

On Saturday, October 13, 2012, approximately 600 attendees gathered at the 100th Anniversary Celebration of Women in Law Enforcement event, held at the Sybil Brand Institute (SBI) for Women. The day of celebration was designed to educate people about the history of women in the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department, and to acknowledge the diverse accomplishments of the pioneers who chose this noble profession, leading the way for women in law enforcement.

The celebration began with the presentation of colors performed by the Training Bureau’s “All Female” Color Guard. Retired Lieutenant Vicky McKown led the guests in the Pledge of Allegiance and Sergeant Sidra Strong sang the National Anthem. Chaplain Lemia Mrotzek, a former SBI Chaplain, gave a heartfelt invocation and Chief Roberta Abner served as Mistress of Ceremonies. She noted that SBI was the perfect place to gather for this celebration, as many retired and tenured women were at some point assigned there, as SBI was the women’s jail for Los Angeles County from 1963 to 1997. Lieutenant John Stanley took us down “Memory Lane” and provided a glimpse of Department history, while retired Commander Carole Freeman shared her experiences of joining the Department in 1970 and being one of the first 12 lady deputies assigned to patrol field duties. There were Departmental displays depicting the history of women in law enforcement, as well as opportunities to hear firsthand, the personal experiences from several female deputies. Throughout the day, guided tours of SBI were provided by deputies who once worked there.

Sheriff Baca noted that throughout the 100 year time span, women’s attire, roles and contributions to the communities and organization has significantly changed. Yet, the commitment of the women of the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department to always strive for excellence and professionalism in the performance of their duties has not.

The event would not have been as much of a success without the dedication of the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Museum Volunteers who donated countless hours to capture our Department’s history, the 100th Anniversary Committee who creatively designed and coordinated the celebration, and our reserve deputies, civilian volunteers and explorers who volunteered their time to help with the event. An event of this magnitude cannot be properly commemorated without specially recognizing the generous support of sponsors Sal Flores, representing the Irving Moskowitz Foundation, President Brian Moriguchi of the Professional Peace Officers’ Association and General Manager Robert Ciulk from the Sheriff’s Relief Association.

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LASD Women’s History Timeline

- 1906 ~ Harriet Shehi, first full time jail matron.
- 1912 ~ Margaret Q. Adams, first female deputy sheriff.
- 1919 ~ Emma Benson, first female deputy sheriff killed in the line of duty in the United States. Deputy Benson and her partner were struck and killed by a Pacific Electric Trolley.
- 1936 ~ Vada Sullivan, first female sergeant.
- 1942 ~ Female deputies begin wearing uniforms. Male deputies began this practice ten years earlier.
- 1945 ~ Vada Sullivan breaks new ground again and is the female lieutenant.
- 1954 ~ Frances Blumfeld-Jansen, first female captain. First woman of this rank at any major law enforcement agency in the United States.
- 1954 ~ Mildred Reyes, first female Mexican-American deputy sheriff.
- 1956 ~ Jaryl Patton, first female deputy assigned to work a station (the desk at Norwalk) directly supporting patrol operations.
- 1972 ~ In August, twenty women attend the Department’s first ever patrol school. On September 1st, twelve women are assigned to a pilot program where women are to work as patrol deputies.
- 1975 ~ Irma Alvarez, first female peace officer shot in the state of California while working patrol.
- 1991 ~ Following a judgment in the Bouman litigation, the Department begins making changes in personnel practices involving female deputy sheriffs.
- 1995 ~ Helena Ashby, first woman promoted to the rank of Division Chief.
- 1998 ~ Rachel Burgess, first woman promoted to the rank of Assistant Sheriff.
- 2010 ~ Retired Deputy Charlene Rottler dies from injuries she sustained in an on-duty traffic accident while assigned to Altadena Station as part of the original women in patrol pilot project in 1972.
21st Century
High Definition
Jail Surveillance
Installed

Facilities Services Bureau’s Installation of Closed Circuit Television Cameras
In October of 2011, Facilities Services Bureau (FSB) was assigned to complete the installation of 705 Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) cameras at Men’s Central Jail (MCJ). Under the supervision of Mr. Richard M. Barnes, FSB’s Audio Video Security Systems Technician and Planner, a small team of 30 FSB personnel were able to install all 705 cameras at MCJ by May of 2012.

This installation included planning the route of and mounting of conduit; pulling cable and wire; identifying and configuring a communications room; installing computer racks and drives; locating and installing monitors; and increasing the air conditioning in the communications room to prevent the sensitive equipment from overheating.

During the installation of the cameras at MCJ, it was determined that Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF) also had a need for an increase in their surveillance camera capability. FSB personnel assisted in locating and installing 854 CCTV cameras at TTCF by November 2012.

This important and time sensitive project would not have been completed without a close collaborative partnership between Data Systems Bureau (DSB) and FSB. While FSB personnel were assigned to complete the installation of cameras at both facilities, Mr. Mario Mejico, DSB’s Senior Information Systems Analyst, ensured that all of the cameras were communicating with the new servers that were dedicated to this project, and provided training for the end users at both facilities.

The installation of the CCTV system has allowed the Department to document force incidents at both facilities more completely. The cost savings realized by having FSB and DSB complete this installation allowed many more cameras to be installed within the same budget, providing 21st century high definition surveillance of MCJ and TTCF.
Court Services Division

Promoting a Greener Environment

Through New Systems and Vehicles
Court Services Division is going green. Court Services Division has developed and implemented new electronic technological systems and vehicles that promote a greener environment and increase personnel efficiency.

The Civil Management Bureau implemented a lockbox system which utilizes banking services to scan, process, enter data, and immediately deposit funds of judgment collections. Collection information and check images are transferred to the Department’s newly-developed Lockbox Web application. The application automatically parses and validates the information, updating the Modified Automated Processing and Accounting System (MAPAS), which is the Civil Management Bureau’s main computer system. A contract with Wells Fargo was established through the Treasurer and Tax Collector for these services. The system, which was fully implemented in October 2012, greatly reduces labor costs associated with processing collections, expedites payments to judgment creditors, and provides our staff the necessary information to respond to inquiries related to collections.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department, in conjunction with the Superior Court, has developed a system which allows the creation, submission, and approval of all arrest probable cause declarations electronically between Department personnel and judicial officers of the Superior Court. The use of this system increases efficiency by expediting the judicial process and promotes a greener environment by eliminating excess paper. On November 16, 2012, the pilot project for the Electronic Probable Cause Declaration system was implemented at Lancaster and Palmdale Sheriff’s Stations and the Antelope Valley Superior Courthouse. Between November 16, 2012, and December 31, 2012, approximately 845 Probable Cause Declarations were processed using the new system.

Court Services Transportation Bureau was the recipient of a grant award from the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) through the Carl Moyer Program. The grant award of $4,394,694 partially funded the replacement of 24 high-pollution inmate transportation buses. The award was the largest single amount granted to one recipient. All of the new buses combined produce less than half of the nitrous oxide and particulate emissions of one of the Bureau’s old buses. The new buses come equipped with a separate rear tank which, when processed through the exhaust system, improves fuel mileage, reduces nitrogen oxide and particulate matter emissions, thus improving air quality throughout the County and environment.

Operations Information Manager (OIM) is an enterprise-level relational database using the FileMaker Server Advanced Database platform. OIM is a central manager of real-time administrative information pertaining to personnel, Department vehicles, equipment, and risk management incidents involving Court Services Division. The database can be customized, thus, saving the high costs associated with outside software development. OIM evaluates and reports on data involving personnel deployment and incidents, complaints, uses of force, lawsuits, vehicle incidents, employee injuries, administrative investigations, noteworthy arrests, and other events that impact Court Services Division. OIM reduces staff work, through the automation of numerous administrative tasks and provides management with accessible and uniform accountability and real-time data concerning personnel and commands. OIM data system allows better management of personnel and information through clear and timely reporting, supporting managerial decisions.
Custody Division

Education Based Incarceration Bureau

Educational, Vocational and Life Skills Training offer Inmates New Opportunities
In June 2012, Education Based Incarceration (EBI) was elevated to Bureau status by Sheriff Baca. Since its inception, the EBI staff has worked tirelessly to provide educational, vocational, and life skills classes to growing numbers of our inmate population. When the Bureau began operations, inmate programming reached 1,200 to 1,500 inmates, and the range and number of courses offered were limited. By December, 2012 over 7,500 men and women, or some 42 percent of our inmates, had become students. By contrast, fewer than 14 percent of jail inmates nationwide are engaged in any type of education or training.

One reason so many more inmates are now able to participate in educational programs was the construction or conversion of classrooms throughout Custody Division. Fourteen new classrooms have been built or expanded, each holding between 25 and 75 students. These classrooms now allow the teachers/instructors to better plan classroom activities and separate the students into the appropriate classroom settings, such as GED, Life Skills, vocational training, and positive behavioral topics.

The entire Pitchess Detention Center South Facility has been converted into a modern campus comprised of dormitories, classrooms, study and recreation areas, libraries, and recreation facilities.

As expected, the rapid growth of our student body created the need for larger numbers of specialized teachers and instructors to provide the students with a state-of-the-art curriculum, meeting such needs as High School Diplomas, vocational skills, computer classes, and many more. In response, EBI teamed up with Five Keys and John Muir Charter Schools and created a cost-neutral partnership, adding 16 full-time teachers, which has proven to be very beneficial. This cooperative effort was enhanced by the pre-existing instructors employed by LA Works. The establishment of a Maximizing Education Reaching Individual Transformation (MERIT) Master’s Leadership program in all 7 county facilities enabled the program to grow from 6 inmate instructors at one facility to 70 inmate instructors throughout the entire Los Angeles County jail system.

Our Community Transition Unit (CTU) also had a banner year of progress in 2012. In recent months, CTU moved office locations into a larger working area within the Inmate Reception Center, located near the Twin Towers Custody Facility. The new location, aptly named the Community Re-entry and Resource Center, is expanding to house CTU staff, eight service windows staffed by various entities (Department of Public Social Services, Department of Mental Health, Department of Public Health, etc.), and serve as a working environment for numerous community-based/faith-based organizations.

Over 9,000 inmates were entered into our newly developed and improved COMPAS risk and needs evaluation database, which resulted in over 300 inmates being released utilizing the “Coordinated Release” portion of the database.

2013 promises to be even more exciting and ambitious for EBI. At current rates of expansion, EBI estimates that the student body will increase to 48 percent of the entire inmate population by the end of summer 2013, and promises to be a year of great innovation and continuing success.

www.EBI.lasd.org
The Special Victims Bureau (SVB) is one of six highly-specialized investigative bureaus in Detective Division. SVB investigates cases involving the physical and sexual abuse of children that occurred in Los Angeles County. Upon request, SVB also provides investigative support to other law enforcement agencies throughout Los Angeles County.

Special Victims Bureau has evolved over the past forty years; in 1972, the Youth Services Bureau was formed to handle juvenile diversions. Two years later, the Child Abuse Unit was created and was renamed to the Juvenile Investigations Bureau (JIB) in 1986. In 1999, Family Crimes Bureau (FCB) was established to investigate all incidents of family crime until they were renamed Special Victims Bureau and given the sole investigative responsibility of child abuse cases.

During this past year, Special Victims Bureau continued to expand their investigative responsibilities. On September 1, 2012, SVB assumed investigative responsibilities of adult sexual assault cases. This was a major policy change in the Department and placed all sexual assault cases (adult and children) under the investigative responsibility of SVB.

This policy change was the result of a Department-wide Rape Investigation pilot program conducted from January to August. Special Victims Bureau was tasked with the coordination and oversight of this program which was a resounding success, accomplishing its mission as envisioned by Sheriff Baca. In addition, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved additional staffing for SVB.

Special Victims Bureau is staffed by two lieutenants, sixteen professional staff members and sixty investigators that are divided into 6 regional investigative teams, each led by a sergeant. Additionally, one sergeant and four investigators are assigned to the Los Angeles County Regional Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE) Team. The SAFE Team is a multi-agency task force, designed to address the monitoring and tracking of registered sex offenders, investigating sexual crimes arising from the Internet, child pornography and sexual exploitation cases involving child prostitution. This team is also responsible for the Department's 290 Sex Offender Registrant Compliance program.

Special Victims Bureau is an integral member of the FBI's Innocent Images SAFE Team Task Force, where members investigate child pornography cases involving exploitation of minors via the Internet, as well as the Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC) Task Force, whose mission is to investigate child pornography cases involving the sexual exploitation of minors via the social media outlets.

During 2012, Special Victims Bureau received over 3,500 child abuse cases for investigation and served 149 search warrants. Approximately 70% of these cases were sexual in nature. Of these reported cases, 2,170 occurred inside the residence with 1,156 occurring outside the residence.

In 2012, Special Victims Bureau detectives completed their investigation into allegations that a school teacher at Miramonte Elementary School had committed lewd acts involving over 30 of his students. A team of investigators interviewed over 250 current and former students resulting in the discovery of an additional incident involving a different teacher at the same school, independent of the first. The Miramonte case received national media coverage.

Special Victims Bureau members conduct in-service training in child abuse laws and investigations to Department personnel and outside law enforcement agencies. Similar training is also offered to social services providers, foster family agencies, schools, parents and civic groups.
Crime Continues to Drop in Sheriff’s Patrol Areas

2012 had the lowest homicide rate since 1966

Actual crime data for 2012 shows that criminal homicides in Los Angeles County Sheriff’s patrol areas have decreased by 2.34%, compared to the same year-to-date period last year (171 homicides in 2011 compared to 167 in 2012). This follows a six-year continuous decline, resulting in a 54.99% decrease in homicides in 2012 compared to 2005, and the lowest number of homicides in Sheriff’s patrol areas since 1970. Allowing for population changes, 2012 had the lowest homicide rate since 1966.

LASD Crime Stats 1961-2012: 2nd lowest crime rate since 1966

Actual violent crime in 2012 increased 2.39%, and actual serious property crimes (Part I) increased by 3.79% in Sheriff’s patrol areas countywide, compared to 2011. These numbers combine to show a 3.52% increase in overall Part I crimes.

Sheriff’s stations experienced a slight increase in overall violent crimes (Part I) over the same period last year while quite a few stations experienced decreases, including Temple Station at 13.89%, Malibu/Lost Hills Station at 6.78%, and Century Station at 6.56%.

"The partnership between the people of Los Angeles County and the brave and dedicated deputies of the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department has resulted in keeping crime at historic lows.

We could not have done this without your trust, dedication and hard work. We will continue to build on that; our strategy of suppression, prevention, intervention, and technology continue to make a positive impact on the lives of the people of this county. We know there is more to be done, and will continue to dedicate ourselves to the mission of public safety."
Overall violent crime declined 22.40% in the past five years (comparing 2012 to 2007), and property crimes (Part I) declined by 16.91%. These numbers combine to show a 18.02% decrease in overall Part I crimes in sheriff's patrol areas.

Most notable decreases of homicides were in the Santa Clarita Valley Station area (which includes the city of Santa Clarita and nearby unincorporated areas) and East Los Angeles Station area (which includes the cities of Commerce, Cudahy, Maywood, and East Los Angeles unincorporated area). Santa Clarita Valley Station had six homicides during 2011, as compared to one homicide in 2012, for an 83.33% decrease in one year. Santa Clarita Valley Station's 2012 homicides were 88.90% less than five years ago. East Los Angeles Station homicides reduced by 36.36% in one year, with 11 homicides in 2011 compared to seven in 2012. East Los Angeles Station's 2012 homicides were 53.33% less than five years ago.

**1960-2012 Crime Statistics**


**Part I Crime Rate - LASD Jurisdiction**

Part I Crimes include:
- Criminal Homicide
- Forcible Rape
- Robbery
- Aggravated Assault
- Burglary
- Larceny Theft
- Grand Theft Auto
- Arson

**Actual Part I Crimes - LASD Jurisdiction**

*Population source for crime rates per 10,000 populations 2001-2009 population projections from the Chief Administrative Officer's (CAO) Office of Urban Research and California Department of Finance. 2011 and 2012 population source from the 2010 United States Census Population count.*
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Lowest Number of Homicides in LASD Jurisdiction Since 1970

Homicides

500

400

300

200

100

0

1992

2012

424

167

57% Decrease in Actual Homicides

Highest Number of Homicides since 1960

Lowest Number of Homicides since 1970
## Homicides in LASD Jurisdiction 1960-2012

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

### Homicides

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**167 Homicides in 2012**

Lowest number of homicides since 1970, and lowest rate since 1966.

**This chart reflects the actual number of homicides in the total jurisdiction of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for 52 years starting with the year 1960.**

The homicide ratio was calculated taking into account the total population living in areas policed by LASD. See the footnote below for more details.

**Note:** Total homicides since 1960 in communities policed by LASD:

Over 100 pages of details showing reported crime statistics for the patrol areas of the unincorporated communities and 42 contract cities policed by the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department (including 2011) can be found at [www.lasd.org](http://www.lasd.org). Visit the “Crime Prevention and Information” page.

The following rules apply to this statistical data:

- Department-wide homicides from 1960-2012 include all unincorporated areas, contract cities, transit, and custody facilities.
- If a person is injured in one year and dies in a later year, the homicide is counted in the year of death. Variations in population coverage and reporting practices may cause differences in reporting from year-to-year.
- Crime rate per 10,000 population; based on reported crimes and population estimates for each year.

**Source:**


Actual Crimes are Reported Crimes minus unfounded.

Contract cities and unincorporated areas patrolled by LASD have changed throughout the years.


Population source for crime rates per 10,000 population: 2001-2009 population projections from the Chief Administrative Officer’s (CAO) Office of Urban Research and California Department of Finance.

2011 and 2012 population source from the 2010 United States Census Population count. p19
On September 1, 2012, the first, new unit in over 50 years was created at Sheriff's Headquarters Bureau: The Electronic Communications Triage Unit (eComm). The mission of this cutting-edge team is to share, monitor, train and conduct research utilizing electronic and web-based communications and social media.

The eComm unit shares routine and emergency information with the public, through the use of the Department's websites and social media platforms, in an effort to keep our communities safe. As of 2012, the Department's main Facebook® page boasts over 9,000 “likes” with a weekly reach of over 2 million people and our Twitter® account has over 10,000 followers. Both fan bases are growing every day.

The eComm unit consists of one sergeant, two bonus deputies and five law enforcement technicians, known as “social media dispatchers.” The social media dispatchers work around the clock, seven days a week, using publicly available web applications and news aggregators to search websites for information. Using a strategic listening process, they search the Internet to locate any criminal activity or activities that will elicit a large police response. In the last four months of 2012, the social media dispatchers logged over 450 incidents. These incidents included everything from illegal parties that advertised illicit drugs, to assaults and arsonists. Witnesses to shootings have been identified, suicides intervened and community residents have been able to safely exercise their right to protest through effective pre-planning by Department personnel. Distribution of information to the public via lasd.org, Nixle text and email, Twitter, Facebook, YouTube and Pinterest is its most important mission.

The deputies assigned to the eComm unit are responsible for the supervision of the social media dispatchers, as well as training Department members to safely use social media and how to maintain personal security on the Internet. In addition, they also offer instruction on how to write news releases and they develop policy and write newsletters and other publications to help Department members negotiate the perils and pitfalls of social media.

In fulfillment of the eComm mission, the deputies of the eComm unit have developed search algorithms which yield a concise newsfeed of information about the Department, which upon further refinement, can be distributed to Department members and executives, showing the accomplishments of our personnel. These newsfeeds can also be customized for particular units and station areas within the Department. Other searches can yield information about crime trends and anticipated criminal activity.

To accommodate the current trend of utilizing social media as a means of quickly relaying information to the residents of our communities, the eComm unit has been configured to work as a social media Emergency Operations Center in cases of extreme emergency. Under a unified command, the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department, Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles Fire agencies successfully applied this concept during an incident in 2012 involving a serial arsonist. The “LA Arson Watch” Facebook® page became a prime source of information and a repository for leads and intelligence from the community. In the future, look for eComm to be part of the Incident Management Teams (IMT) under the Public Information Officer's section to inform the public about an incident.

Although the eComm unit is still new, the proliferation of social media and its benefits to law enforcement and the community are clear. With several incidents already successfully handled, the eComm unit looks forward to more accomplishments and partnerships.
Montrose Search and Rescue Team

Crescenta Valley's Own Make a Difference in the Science of Rescue
The vast mountainous areas of Field Operations Region I (FOR I) are a great attraction for athletes, outdoor enthusiasts and nature lovers. However, they also create the spontaneous and emergent need for attending to injured persons and searching for those who are missing while using these areas for recreation. Therefore, FOR I maintains search and rescue teams through stations in the Antelope Valley, Santa Clarita Valley, Malibu/Lost Hills, Altadena, Temple, and Crescenta Valley areas that consist of highly-trained volunteers for the safety of its citizens and at a huge savings to the County.

2012 was an amazing year for Crescenta Valley Station's Montrose Search and Rescue Team (MSAR)! This team broke its long standing record of 105 calls for service, responding to 113 calls, totaling 7,692 man hours. This was likely caused by the reopening of the Angeles National Forest after a two-year closure from the Station Fire and subsequent debris flows. Many trails changed drastically, and people found themselves unprepared for extended hikes. Team members also reached milestones for years of service; Fred Koegler had 40 years of service and John Camphouse had 30. Additionally, 7 of the 21 members have been on the team for more than 25 years, with the remaining members having in excess of 15 years of service.

MSAR found themselves in the media headlines several times, due to some high profile searches and rescues. In March, the team searched for and successfully located Tracy Granger, a woman traveling home to Antelope Valley on the Angeles Forest Highway. Her truck hit some ice and dropped 300 feet into a canyon. The next morning, Reserve Deputy Jason Johnson of MSAR spotted her vehicle covered in snow. Team members found Tracy still alive, and she was quickly extracted with the help of Air 5, and flown to the hospital.

Months later, Tracy returned to the crash site and again went over the side, but this time with assistance from her rescuers and the team. She publicly thanked the team for all they had done in finding her and saving her life. Her rescue won the "Rescue of the Year" recognition at the Annual Reserve Recognition Dinner in November and Tracy was there to thank her rescuers publically.

Searching for lost individuals and body recoveries are other operations MSAR performs. Last year, the team had two major campaign searches; the first involved the search of mud caves in San Diego for missing 25 year-old Guillermo Pino, who was extracted from a small space 300 feet back in a cave. Members of the Sierra Madre Search and Rescue Team and Emergency Services Detail assisted in recovering the victim, who unfortunately had succumbed from his injuries. The teams were called for this specific recovery due to their certification in underwater rescue. The other search involved a lost foreign national from Turkey in the Big Tujunga Canyon area. Although team members located Ertug Ergun, who had succumbed to injuries in a fall, Reserve Deputies Janet Henderson and Michael Leum, along with dog handler Mike Kaas, came upon a toddler floating face down in the water and rescued her. Turkey's Consul General visited the search area, thanked the team, and was witness to the toddler's successful rescue efforts.

Overall, our Department's rescue teams had an incredible year in their feverish attempt to save lives!
The Los Angeles County Maritime Region is defined as the waters along Los Angeles County, including San Clemente Island and Catalina Island. To put it in the proper perspective, all the waters from the Ventura County line to the Orange County line are patrolled by one agency (outside the Ports) – the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department. In addition to our Core Values and Tradition of Service, we also are bound by the California Harbors & Navigation code 510, which states, “The Sheriff of each county shall give all possible aid and assistance to vessels stranded on its coast to and the persons on board.”

The Marina del Rey Station Marine Patrol operates throughout Los Angeles County’s coastline assisting other State, local, and Federal agencies, including military assets, abiding by its mission to ensure a safe and secure environment for the boating community. The Marine Patrol is responsible for conducting safety and enforcement patrol in the protected waters of the marina, Santa Monica Bay, and patrols of the maritime domain of Los Angeles County.

Fifteen Deputy Sheriff Rescue Boat Operators work in this capacity and each rescue boat operator is also an Emergency Medical Technician, receiving over 960 hours of operator training. Core training includes boating accident investigation, boating under the influence investigations, helicopter evacuations, towing, marine fires, surf operations, and salvage. Patrol vessels and crew are also firefighting equipped and often respond to vessel and dock fires, explosions, surface fuel fires, and other emergencies. Additionally, the Marina del Rey Dive Team is capable of providing the immediate response of trained SCUBA divers for water-related emergencies in our jurisdiction. The Dive Team also provides diving services for the County and the Department when requested.

Marina del Rey Station’s offshore patrol vessel “Tradition” provides law enforcement and homeland security patrols of the Los Angeles County coast. Since 9/11, offshore law enforcement has become a priority. The United States Coast Guard has requested the Department’s assistance on numerous occasions, and a Memorandum of Understanding with the Coast Guard has been written to this end.

The issue of human trafficking and illicit drug smuggling by vessels has continued to be an on-going problem throughout the county’s coastline. In 2012, Marina del Rey Station boats conducted 238 Homeland Security boardings. Working closely with the Haz/Mat Detail, Marina del Rey Station conducts boardings with specialized Radiological Nuclear Detection equipment that can scan vessels identifying illicit materials that may be smuggled.

Part of the duties of being the sole security for the maritime region of Los Angeles County involves patrolling and protecting the Critical Facilities along its coastline. The Department has the responsibility for patrolling the El Segundo Offshore Marine Terminal, Oil Tanker moorings, Hyperion Sewage Treatment plant, LAX approach and departure routes and two power generating plants on a daily basis. The Regional Maritime Law Enforcement Training Center (MLETC), located in the Port of Los Angeles, is a collaborative effort between several law enforcement agencies to provide the highest caliber of law enforcement training for crewmembers on law enforcement and public safety vessels assigned to state, local and federal agencies.

Marina del Rey Station currently provides numerous instructors who provide instruction in courses like boat handling, chart reading, navigation rules, maritime boardings, arrest procedure, vessel identification, and counter-terrorism practices and procedures.
Norwalk Sheriff’s Station Volunteers on Patrol

- Do not leave valuables inside your vehicle, such as wallet, laptop computer, gym bag, money, etc.
- Remove all GPS devices and related accessories from your car.
- Close and lock car doors. Activate alarm. Roll up windows.
- The finest in community policing

Field Operations Region III
Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department

Call 9-1-1 for fire or other emergencies.
The Volunteer Program has been an integral part of Norwalk Station for many years. It is comprised of 117 loyal and dedicated members of the local community who performed a variety of important duties and provided excellent service to the residents of our communities. Station volunteers enhanced staffing needs by manning the lobbies at both Norwalk Station and the La Mirada Sub-station. The unincorporated Whittier Sub-station was entirely staffed and operated by volunteers.

Of the 117 volunteers currently active in the program, 70 are assigned to the station’s Volunteers on Patrol (VOP) program. Sergeant Brian Doyle is the program’s coordinator and he has expanded and enhanced the program into one of the most prestigious organizations at Norwalk Station that boasts the largest posse group on the Department. Under ideal circumstances, Norwalk Station fielded three, two-person VOP patrol cars per day. The commitment that these volunteers have made to the program has made them a valuable resource that complemented field resources and extended our station’s reach in developing community partnerships.

The VOP performed vacation checks of residences and businesses when they are requested. These visible patrols have served as a deterrent to residential and commercial burglaries, thefts and other crimes. They also spoke at Neighborhood Watch programs and Community Advisory Council meetings.

Graffiti abatement was another area where the VOP were successful. The VOP conducted graffiti patrol checks of locations that were frequent hotspots for tagging. The constant visibility they provided assisted with deterring taggers from defacing personal and city property and their efficient reports to the county and city graffiti hotlines resulted in prompt removal of the offensive artwork.

The patrol of shopping centers helped the VOP stay visible, successfully deterring illegal and handicapped parking violators and they routinely posted “package warnings” when they encountered a vehicle with valuables in plain view. This was done to educate the public on how to prevent themselves from becoming an easy target for theft.

The VOP were trained in basic traffic control and were relied upon by patrol deputies to assist in re-routing traffic during containments, road closures and accident scenes. They provided excellent support at command posts, D.U.I. checkpoints and other critical incident scenes.

Norwalk Station conducted an extensive marketing drive to solicit qualified people for the volunteer program. Media outlets were used to advertise the program via NIXLE, Twitter and the local newspapers. Once the applications were gathered, a background check was conducted on each applicant and they participated in an oral screening by Sergeant Doyle. Volunteer “training officers” also participated in the interview process and made up the interview panel. Successful candidates went through a station orientation process and attended a Volunteers On Patrol Academy. This academy consisted of six full days of training facilitated by senior members of all the station VOP programs in Field Operations Region III. VOP go through a one-year probationary period and have a rank structure.

The Norwalk Station Volunteers on Patrol are a committed group who continually strive for excellence. They provided the community with enhanced safety, professionalism in application to their duties and a courteous service in their interactions with the residents of the communities they served.
In a move to stay ahead of the always changing dynamics of public safety transportation, Transit Services Bureau (TSB) implemented three new programs in 2012. These efforts have assisted TSB with their mission of partnering with the commuters of the buses and railways they protect.

Intelligence-Led Policing (ILP)
Intelligence-Led Policing (ILP) uses data analysis and crime intelligence to help law enforcement personnel make better informed decisions and allocate resources more efficiently. The goal of ILP is to prevent and reduce crime by targeting high crime areas and serious offenders. Transit Services Bureau implemented ILP at the beginning of 2012. The ILP meeting, which occurs every two weeks, is a forum for discussing recent crime problems and trends. At the meeting, participants share their knowledge of their area of enforcement, while the crime analyst gives an overall view of recent crime activity. With this intelligence, the ILP committee decides on three priority areas to target for the next two weeks. TSB has had many successes, including the apprehension of a suspect who committed a series of armed robberies of transit patrons. The robbery series was discussed in the ILP meeting and an operation was set up for early the following morning. Two hours into the operation, the suspect was identified, arrested and the gun was recovered. The suspect confessed to multiple robberies on the rail system, as well as in the city of Los Angeles.

Field Training Program
In October of 2012, Transit Services Bureau formed a Field Training Program for the first time since the inception of the bureau in 1990. The TSB Field Training Program begins at the completion of the patrol trainee’s fourth phase of training at a Sheriff’s station. Patrol trainees complete the final two phases of their field training at Transit Services Bureau. Deputies assigned to Transit Services Bureau face many challenges unique to policing Metro’s transit system. The Field Training Program tailors the final phases of training to urban style policing in a transit environment. The Field Training Program consists of a newly assigned Master Field Training Officer and 20 Field Training Officers.

Transit Juvenile Diversion Program: School Based Discipline
The Transit Services Bureau implemented an innovative School-based discipline diversion program developed in cooperation with the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD). The program, which was inspired by Sheriff Baca, improved responses to disorder on the transit system. Students from LAUSD schools use the Metro buses and trains to get to school. Occasionally, these students are disorderly and disrupt bus operations. A task force with key personnel from all three agencies met for over a year to develop the program and establish an agreement to:

- Reduce the number of LAUSD students who enter the juvenile justice system.
- Reduce crime and disorder on MTA (Metro) transportation property and vehicles.
- Promote coordination to reduce tagging and graffiti.
- Improve law enforcement coordination between LASD and LAUSD Police.
“Below 100” is a national initiative aimed at reducing deaths in the line of duty to below 100, a number not seen since 1944. In 1974, 278 officers, nation-wide, were killed in the line of duty; an all-time high for officer deaths. Since then, innovations in training, emergency medicine, vehicles, and the development of ballistic armor, all contributed to bring this number down. Over the last 10 years, officer deaths have averaged to about 150 per year. As a result, the Department, through Risk Management Bureau’s Traffic Services Detail, has actively promoted the “Below 100” initiative.

“Below 100” isn’t about statistics; it’s about each and every officer, trainer and supervisor taking individual and collective responsibility for the decisions and actions that contribute to safety. Five key tenets have been identified to improve officer safety:

1. Wear Your Belt (seatbelt)
2. Wear Your Vest
3. Watch Your Speed
4. WIN: What's Important Now
5. Remember: Complacency Kills!

For those in management, “Below 100” means supporting a culture of safety throughout the Department. Make “doing the right thing” so ingrained in your personnel that it becomes the norm and not the exception. Just as importantly, management must hold accountable those who stray outside what should be common sense. Often, a private word with a misguided officer is all it takes to correct his or her misperception.

In actively promoting the “Below 100” initiative, the Master Field Training Officers attended the “Below 100,” train-the-trainer seminar and brought the “Below 100” philosophy back to their stations. Many have held one-hour training sessions, while others broke the material up and presented it as in-service training during briefings. Traffic Services Detail is determined to keep the 5 tenets of “Below 100” in the forefront with constant reminders. This has been accomplished by posting reminders on the computer login page consisting of a series of photos depicting Department vehicles involved in collisions, accompanied by the most common causes of collisions from POST’s “Safe Driving Campaign” and the five tenets of “Below 100.”

Traffic Services Detail has also put out an indexed briefing and global email reminding Department personnel of the policy of wearing their High-Visibility Reflective Safety Vests along with the statistics of lives saved by wearing the vests. They have additionally incorporated the initiatives of “Below 100” into the Point Reduction Class as part of Education Based Discipline.

A “Below 100” training day with the Regional Community Policing Institute (RCPI) and Traffic Services Detail is a future plan. This training day will include two sessions: the first session, intended for all law enforcement personnel with a special encouragement for Department managers to attend. The second half of the day would be a train-the-trainer session, building off the morning class. An additional goal is to have each unit display the “Below 100” posters in prominent areas of the building as a constant reminder of the five tenets of “Below 100.” Through education and the “Below 100” ideals, we can keep not only ourselves safer, but the communities we serve as well.

For more information please see www.Below100.com.
Technical Services Division
Blood Alcohol Testing Section (BATS)

Providing One of the Largest DUI Enforcement Crime Lab Services for Los Angeles County
The Scientific Services Bureau, Blood Alcohol Testing Section (BATS) was responsible for the operation and maintenance of the evidentiary breath alcohol testing devices that were deployed throughout the Department and most law enforcement agencies in Los Angeles County. BATS provided one of the largest DUI enforcement crime lab services for Los Angeles County by handling approximately 20,000 breath test cases annually.

The existing alcohol testing devices were purchased in 1998 and were rapidly approaching the end of their operational life-span. In June 2011, the procurement of a new fleet of breath instruments that were more robust, easier to use and promised near foolproof test administration began, which entailed an extensive validation and deployment throughout the County and required the certification of approximately 3,600 law enforcement personnel.

The forensic alcohol testing discipline was one of the most litigated disciplines in forensic science. Testing in this area was regulated by Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations, and was overseen by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). All scientific testing methods and training programs with this technology must be on file and approved respectively, by the CDPH. Deputies must be trained by an approved, mandated CDPH training course prior to performing tests utilizing any breath testing instrument.

Receipt of the new instruments began in August of 2011 and the required validation and verification studies commenced. Approval of the training programs through the CDPH and POST were approved by October 2011 and officer recertification began. A POST certified, 4-hour class entitled “DataMaster DMT” Operator Training Course was developed in conjunction with a rapid deployment of the new instruments, thereby avoiding any disruption in DUI testing services for our law enforcement partners. By June 2012, the deployment of instruments and recertification of personnel were completed.

This efficient and systematic implementation of devices and training program allowed for the seamless transition of new breath instrument technology, one of the most common technologies required of local crime labs. The impact of this program also provided sound technical instrumentation, prior to the failure of aged existing equipment and provided adequate numbers of trained officers certified in the use of the new instruments.

The Sheriff’s Crime Lab is an ISO/IEC 17025 Internationally Accredited Laboratory and an ASCLD/LAB (American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors/Laboratory Accreditation Board). As such, it is built and run on its solid reputation for steadfast quality and unwavering integrity in its work. The selection, validation, training development and deployment associated with this project had to meet both CDPH requirements, as well as our own quality and accreditation requirements. For their efforts in this monumental task, members of the Blood Alcohol Testing Section were awarded the Distinguished Service Award by Sheriff Lee Baca.
Valor Awards Ceremony

Medal of Valor

The Medal of Valor award is the highest honor a member of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department can receive. It is awarded to persons who distinguish themselves by displaying great courage above and beyond the call of duty, in the face of an immediate life-threatening peril, and with full knowledge of the risk involved.

Meritorious Conduct Medal - Gold

This medal is the second highest award a Department member can receive. It is awarded to persons who place themselves in immediate peril and perform an act of heroism and/or save the life of another person.
Meritorious Conduct Medal - Silver
This medal is awarded to persons who, when confronted by circumstances beyond the normal course of their duties, place themselves in potential peril while performing an act of heroism or while saving or attempting to save the life of another.

Purple Heart Award
The Purple Heart Award is presented when an employee sustains a traumatic physical injury as a result of a violent encounter with the criminal element or when, through no fault of his/her own, sustains a traumatic physical injury during the performance of job-related functions and the employee attempts to continue to perform his/her job functions.

Humanitarian Award
The Humanitarian Award is awarded to persons who selflessly perform acts of personal commitment and sacrifice to help others. These acts are exceptional, ongoing, and extraordinary, and are considered well above the normal scope of duties.
On March 1, 2011, Sergeant Froilan Dinco and Deputy Deborah Romero were traveling northbound on the Long Beach Freeway at Firestone Boulevard when they saw a tractor-trailer collide with a sport utility vehicle (SUV). The collision caused the SUV to flip on its roof, ejecting a female who had been in the front passenger seat. Just as the deputies came to a stop, they saw the female land on the asphalt directly in front of their vehicle. They quickly got out of their car to render aid.

As Sergeant Dinco and Deputy Romero ran toward the woman, she managed to stand up and shout out that her 2-year-old child was still in the overturned SUV. At that moment the engine of the overturned vehicle caught fire as gasoline drenched the interior of the passenger compartment, as well as its occupants. They immediately ran to the vehicle as they requested the fire department to respond.

Deputy Romero saw that the child was still strapped in the car seat. Desperate to reach the child before the SUV completely burst into flames, Deputy Romero ignored the fact she could be seriously injured or worse and entered the burning vehicle through the shattered window of the rear hatch. She managed to unbuckle the child’s seatbelt and, with the assistance of the mother, pull the child to safety.

During this time Sergeant Dinco ran over to the rear passenger side of the vehicle and found another occupant struggling to escape through a broken window. With little regard for his own safety, Sergeant Dinco reached into the burning car and pulled the passenger out. The driver was able to escape from the SUV as Sergeant Dinco and Deputy Romero saved the other two passengers. Immediately after rescuing them, the SUV became completely engulfed in flames.

The child was unharmed during this incident and the other occupants sustained moderate injuries. Had it not been for the heroic actions of these personnel, the child and rear passenger would not have survived this horrific accident.

For placing themselves in potential peril to save the lives of others, with full knowledge of the risk involved, Sergeant Froilan Dinco and Deputy Deborah Romero are awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal, Silver.
On February 3, 2008, deputies responded to a call regarding a 24-year-old man who had locked himself inside his guardian’s house and was destroying the interior of the home. The guardian advised that the man suffered from an acute mental illness and she feared for the safety of a mother and her small child who were still in the house.

Deputy Gregory Maxwell was the first deputy to arrive at the scene. He had coordinated a tactical response prior to arriving at the location and knew that assisting units were about two minutes away.

Deputy Maxwell contacted the mother via cell phone and instructed her to walk out the front door with her child. She exited the front door with the child in her arms; however, the suspect followed them. The suspect took hold of the woman and child and attempted to drag them back into the house. The woman tried to fend him off but was quickly losing the fight. Although backup had not yet arrived, Deputy Maxwell made the decision to rescue the woman and child before the suspect could seriously harm them.

Deputy Maxwell quickly approached and ordered him to stop, but the suspect ignored him. He freed the victims by shoving the suspect away. The suspect then attacked Deputy Maxwell, punching him in the left eye. The blow was so severe, it resulted in his being blinded in one eye, with pain so intense he was nearly incapacitated.

As the suspect continued his attack, Deputy Maxwell was on the verge of losing consciousness. He knew if he did, the suspect could take his duty weapon and use it against him, the victims and other responding deputies. Fearing for his life and the lives of those around him, Deputy Maxwell drew his weapon and fired one round at the suspect as he advanced on him. The round struck the suspect’s abdomen, causing him to fall to the ground.

Another deputy arrived at the scene just as Deputy Maxwell was broadcasting he was involved in a shooting. Two men who were relatives of the suspect approached the deputies and were ordered to stay away. When they ignored the order, the deputy drew his weapon and pointed it at the two men. At about this time other deputy personnel arrived and assisted in securing the scene and arresting the interfering men.

For displaying exceptional courage and bravery while placing himself in an incredibly tense and life-threatening situation for the sole purpose of rescuing a young woman and her infant child, Deputy Gregory Maxwell is awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal, Silver.
On October 27, 2011, Carson Station personnel responded to a structure fire on Avalon Boulevard in the city of Carson. Sergeant Michael Austin and Deputies Louis Suazo and Geoffrey Lidman were the first to arrive at the scene. From the onset, it was clear this was not an ordinary fire but a quickly growing inferno, and they immediately recognized the urgency of evacuating the residents from a four-story senior apartment complex adjacent to the fire.

As flames approached the south side of the complex, Sergeant Austin and Deputies Suazo and Lidman ran into the building and began evacuating the elderly tenants, many of whom had very limited mobility. As they worked feverishly to get them out, radiating heat could be felt throughout the building.

During this time Sergeant Austin was able to gain a strategic view of the fire and recognized the immediate need for additional personnel to respond to the neighboring mobile home park to begin evacuations. He directed the deputies to respond to the park instead of his location.

At the apartment complex, the deputies were able to obtain a master key to every residence. As they ran from door to door to ensure everyone was out of the building, windows began to explode and the smoke and temperature became nearly unbearable. Many residents were paralyzed with fear. One resident barricaded furniture against her door, forcing Sergeant Austin to ram and break through it. Some residents were reluctant to leave their homes and had to be pulled to safety as glass exploded around them. Eventually, despite the extreme danger, the deputies successfully led all of the residents out to safety.

Meanwhile, Deputies April Davidson, Hie Frazier, Enrique Gin, Barry Poltorak, David Aldana, Robert Gaines, Gary Winfield and Jay De Boom arrived at the mobile home park to assist with evacuations. By this time the wind had shifted, causing the fire to move directly toward the park. At this point the heat was so intense, several emergency vehicles were damaged by the radiant heat, even melting one patrol car's grill and light bar. The deputies ran from door to door to evacuate the residents living in the most vulnerable areas of the park. This also allowed fire personnel to focus their efforts directly on fighting the blaze and saving some of the mobile homes.
At one point Deputy Davidson requested help at one of the homes because a large, elderly man could not walk himself out. Just as Deputies Gin, Winfield and Poltorak responded, burning pieces from a palm tree began to rain down. One of the embers struck Deputy Winfield in the head and another fell into his waistband but was extinguished when Deputy Gin doused him with a garden hose. As a neighbor attempted to put the fire out, the deputies carried the man from his home, placed him in a radio car and drove him to safety.

The deputies involved in this incident demonstrated incredible bravery, and their actions were nothing short of amazing during this extremely chaotic event. In some cases residents had to be carried out due to their inability to move quickly, including an elderly man in a wheelchair. Some residents refused to open their doors and deputies had to force their way in. Another resident was forcibly pulled out of his home as he repeatedly tried to go inside to retrieve his belongings; only seconds later his mobile home exploded in flames. The unbearable heat and smoke affected them to the point they could barely keep their eyes open. Their faces, uniforms and hands had soot all over them, clearly showing how they repeatedly put themselves in harm’s way.

The fire resulted in the complete destruction of the apartment complex and more than $3 million in property damage, with no loss of life. It is clear that several lives were saved by the deputies. Had they not been as thorough in their search efforts, several elderly residents might have perished inside their homes.

For demonstrating great courage above and beyond the call of duty, Sergeant Michael Austin and Deputies David Aldana, April Davidson, Jay De Boom, Hie Frazier, Robert Gaines, Enrique Gin, Geoffrey Lidman, Barry Poltorak, Louis Suazo and Gary Winfield are awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal, Silver.
On September 22, 2011, Deputy Marcelo Ruiz was working patrol in the unincorporated area of La Crescenta. While traveling on Foothill Boulevard, Deputy Ruiz saw a vehicle turn southbound on Pennsylvania Avenue against a red light and attempted to conduct a traffic stop to possibly cite the driver for the violation.

Deputy Ruiz accelerated to catch up to the car as it traveled southbound and gained speed. As he got closer to the vehicle, he could see the female driver was flailing her arms and screaming that she could not stop. Realizing something was drastically wrong, Deputy Ruiz activated his red lights and siren to warn the public about the imminent danger. He sped up and eventually caught up to the runaway vehicle.

The woman’s car continued to pick up speed as Deputy Ruiz accelerated his vehicle in an attempt to pass her. The runaway car sped through five different red traffic lights with four-way intersections and many other cars passing through. He raced ahead of the woman’s car as she continued to wave at him to get his attention and warn him that her car was out of control.

While travelling at speeds in excess of 50 miles per hour, Deputy Ruiz managed to position his patrol car in front of the woman’s vehicle, made contact and began slowing it down as safely as he could. He looked in his rearview mirror to continuously position his car correctly and could clearly see the terror on the woman’s face. He was soon able to bring both cars to a stop.

It was later discovered that the runaway vehicle’s brake fluid reservoir was empty due to a leak. The driver nearly reached some metal traffic barriers and a sharp curve on Honolulu Avenue. Without functioning brakes, it would have been impossible for her to negotiate the turn and the outcome would likely have been fatal.

For his quick actions and decisiveness while performing an act of exceptional heroism, with full knowledge of the risk involved, Deputy Marcelo Ruiz is awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal, Silver.
On the morning of July 12, 2011, Deputy Salvador Rios was in an unincorporated area of Los Angeles when he saw a large black plume of smoke rise from the east a few blocks away. He then heard an emergent call for service regarding a structure fire and immediately responded to the scene.

Upon his arrival, Deputy Rios saw black smoke and flames coming from the roof of a house located on a multi-family property. He and another deputy at the scene quickly developed a plan to check the adjoining properties for potential victims and begin evacuations.

Deputy Rios ran to the rear of the location and was met by a male resident who appeared to be dazed and confused. The man, wearing only a pair of shorts, was covered in black soot and had significant burns to his hands. He immediately directed Deputy Rios to the rear portion of the back house and said that a woman was stranded inside. The woman, a stroke patient, had difficulty with motor skills and was incapable of escaping from the fire.

Deputy Rios saw that the front door of the house was open and thick dark smoke had filled the residence from floor to ceiling, making visibility extremely limited. Knowing inaction could result in the death of the victim, Deputy Rios crouched down and entered the home. He made his way through the hallway to the rear bedrooms by sense of feel and saw that the northeast bedroom was on fire. Thick dark smoke billowed from the room, flames raced up the walls, and scorching heat emitted from the room’s interior.

Ignoring the threat of serious injury or worse, Deputy Rios entered the adjacent southeast bedroom, where another man was attempting to move the bedridden woman. Deputy Rios assisted in lifting the woman from her bed and the two quickly carried her down the hallway and outside to waiting neighbors.

Los Angeles County Fire Department paramedics arrived and treated the victims for second degree burns and smoke inhalation. The Fire Captain advised that the fire was the result of an electrical short that began in the northeast bedroom.

For placing himself in peril to perform an act of exceptional heroism to save the life of another, with full knowledge of the risk involved, Deputy Salvador Rios is awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal, Gold
On the morning of March 21, 2012, Deputy David Cary was en route to the city of Malibu to begin his patrol duties. As he made his way south of the Malibu tunnel, he saw a female adult standing beyond the guardrail, precariously close to the edge of a cliff on a small ledge approximately 10 feet wide. When he got out of his car and approached the woman to check on her, she moved to within a foot of the cliff’s edge, which dropped to the floor of the canyon hundreds of feet below. He quickly realized he had interrupted a suicide attempt.

Deputy Cary immediately used his handheld radio to ask for assistance and began talking to the woman as assisting units responded. He repeatedly asked her to move away from the cliff’s edge, but she refused and continued saying she wanted to kill herself and that death was her only option.

Deputy Cary sensed the woman was going to jump at any moment, so he devised a ruse in an attempt to get her to approach him at the guardrail. He told her he would help her commit suicide, but she would have to step toward him. The ruse worked and the woman slowly stepped toward him but refused to join him at the side of the guardrail.

As Deputies Andreas Chamorro and Douglas Du Vall arrived at the scene, Deputy Cary stepped over the rail and continued talking to the woman. As Deputy Chamorro ran toward them, the woman looked toward Deputy Chamorro and Deputy Cary saw his opportunity. He quickly wrapped both of his arms around the woman’s torso and took her to the ground. The woman, who stood 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighed over 200 pounds, was determined to end her life and struggled violently in an attempt to break free from Deputy Cary’s grasp. Without hesitation, Deputies Chamorro and Du Vall leapt over the railing and assisted Deputy Cary in his attempt to gain control of the woman before anyone plunged to the canyon floor below. The woman continued the fight and even attempted to bite Deputy Cary.

Deputy Cary was finally able to deploy a burst of pepper spray into the woman’s eyes, and the deputies were ultimately able to handcuff the woman and place a hobble restraint around her ankles. When other units arrived, the deputies lifted the woman over the railing and secured her in a radio car.

For displaying a reverence for life when confronted by circumstances beyond the normal scope of their duties and placing themselves in potential peril to save the life of another, Deputies David Cary, Andreas Chamorro and Douglas Du Vall are awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal, Silver.
On June 20, 2010, Sergeant Douglas Shive and Deputy Guadalupe Arreola received a call regarding a traffic collision on the 405 freeway at Avalon Boulevard. The call indicated three vehicles were involved in an accident and one was on the embankment of the freeway with major damage.

Upon their arrival, Sergeant Shive and Deputy Arreola noticed several people yelling that a woman needed help. Sergeant Shive quickly approached the female driver, stabilized her neck, and determined she did not have a pulse.

The entire front end of the female’s vehicle was smashed and smoke was billowing out of the engine compartment. Flames shot out from underneath the vehicle as Sergeant Shive attempted to stabilize the critically injured driver. Fearing for the safety of her partner, Deputy Arreola immediately stopped traffic on the freeway, retrieved a fire extinguisher, and attempted to put out the fire.

As the car continued to burn, Sergeant Shive quickly checked the female for a pulse a second time, but there was none. Placing his own life in danger, Sergeant Shive reached into the vehicle and, with the help of two civilians at the scene, lifted the woman out of the car and carried her about 25 feet to the side of the freeway. Sergeant Shive initiated chest compressions while one of the civilians gave lifesaving breaths. Sergeant Shive continued his lifesaving efforts until paramedics arrived and took over.

Although the female driver sustained major injuries, she survived this terrible accident.

For taking heroic actions under circumstances beyond the normal scope of their duties and placing themselves in potential peril to save the life of another, Sergeant Douglas Shive and Deputy Guadalupe Arreola are awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal, Silver.
On December 26, 2007, Deputy Raymond Mades was on routine patrol on his Department issued motorcycle riding eastbound on Artesia Boulevard in the city of Bellflower. As he approached the intersection of Carpintero Avenue, he saw a vehicle approaching the same intersection westbound on Artesia Boulevard. The vehicle suddenly turned south onto Carpintero Avenue, directly in front of Deputy Mades' path. Although he took evasive action, Deputy Mades was unable to avoid colliding with the vehicle.

The impact of the collision caused Deputy Mades to be ejected from the motorcycle and fly through the air before landing on a parked car approximately 70 feet away. Upon the arrival of paramedics, he was immediately transported to a local hospital and admitted to the trauma center due to his severe injuries.

Deputy Mades sustained injuries to his cervical spine, lumbar spine, right wrist, and left knee, tibia and ankle. Since this incident, he has undergone several surgeries and treatments but has never fully recovered from the traumatic injuries he sustained in this horrific accident and must still undergo several more surgeries.

In early 2011, Deputy Mades returned to work in a light duty capacity and did an outstanding job working with traffic investigators at Cerritos Station. However, due to the severity of Deputy Mades’ injuries, has was unable to return to full duty as a Deputy Sheriff and retired in September, 2011.

Deputy Mades' service has been a true reflection of his personal call to duty and continues to embody the spirit of a Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff. For his courage in the face of overwhelming difficulty, Retired Deputy Raymond Mades is awarded the Purple Heart.
Conducting traffic stops can sometimes lead to extremely dangerous situations and test the courage of deputies who face mortal danger. On the afternoon of April 13, 2001, Deputy Angel Dominguez was on patrol, working in the city of Norwalk, when he stopped a vehicle for a minor traffic violation. Deputy Dominguez got out of his patrol car and approached the driver. The driver, who was still seated in his vehicle, suddenly reached over his shoulder and shot Deputy Dominguez. Deputy Dominguez was struck in the neck -- the bullet narrowly missing his spine and carotid artery. He fell back into the middle of the street as the suspect quickly sped away.

Although Deputy Dominguez was bleeding profusely, he managed to pick himself up and off the busy street, then calmly radio for assistance.

Within weeks, the suspect was identified and arrested, and is now serving 40 years to life in state prison. Deputy Dominguez returned to work after several months of rehabilitation but continues to deal with pain and numbness in his right arm.

Although Deputy Dominguez sustained a traumatic injury as a result of this unprovoked attack, he continued to perform his job to ensure the safety of those around him. For his actions and personal call to duty, Deputy Angel Dominguez is awarded the Purple Heart.
In the early morning hours of Tuesday, September 5, 2000, Deputy Michael Schaap and his partner attempted to stop a van for a minor traffic violation. The van turned at an intersection and, unbeknownst to the deputies, was waiting to ambush them. As the deputies made the turn, they were unexpectedly met by high-powered automatic gunfire. One of the bullets pierced the deputies’ windshield and struck Deputy Schaap in the forehead. As Deputy Schaap fought for his life, his partner radioed for help and the suspects sped off.

Three of the four suspects were quickly apprehended and convicted of the shooting. The fourth, who was the actual shooter, was featured several times on the television show “America’s Most Wanted” and was later named by the FBI to their Ten Most Wanted list. He was eventually captured in Mexico, convicted and sentenced to 25 years to life in prison.

In 2001, after escaping death and following months of painful rehabilitation, which included intense therapy to re-learn cognitive skills, Deputy Schaap returned to work. Although he was no longer able to work patrol, he assisted with administrative duties and over time was able to start teaching classes, a task proven to be beneficial in redeveloping his cognitive capabilities.

Deputy Schaap’s strong will to survive this violent encounter on that September morning in 2000 is a true reflection of his personal call to duty. For his courage and ability to challenge adversity in the face overwhelming odds, Deputy Michael Schaap is awarded the Purple Heart.
In the early evening of January 11, 2011, Deputies Mohamed Ahmed and Daniel Reyes were on patrol in East Los Angeles when they saw a white compact car parked along a red curb on Brannick Avenue. As they stopped alongside the car, Deputy Reyes advised Deputy Ahmed to contact the driver while he contacted the male passenger, sitting in the front seat.

As Deputy Reyes approached the open passenger window, he recognized the male passenger as a local gang member. The passenger appeared nervous and began fidgeting around in his seat. He then reached for his pants pocket and center console of the car. Deputy Reyes opened the car door and ordered the suspect to get out. The suspect stepped out, turned his back toward Deputy Reyes, pushed his body backward, and began to run. Deputy Reyes grabbed the suspect’s jacket and they fell to the ground near the front of the vehicle.

Deputy Ahmed was in the patrol car when he looked up and could no longer see Deputy Reyes. He immediately got out of the car and saw Deputy Reyes involved in a fight on the ground with the suspect. Deputy Ahmed ran over and joined in the fight to try and subdue the suspect. Deputy Ahmed attempted to use his taser but was unable to remove it from its holster.

As the violent fight continued, the suspect was able to push himself to his feet as the two deputies hung onto him. Suddenly a shot was heard and Deputy Reyes could no longer see Deputy Ahmed. At that time Deputy Reyes believed the suspect had just shot and killed his partner. The suspect then turned toward Deputy Reyes and pointed a black handgun at his chest. A life and death struggle over the gun ensued, and Deputy Reyes became exhausted and felt he was losing the battle.

Suddenly, Deputy Reyes’ adrenaline and training kicked in and he pushed the suspect against a chain link fence. At that point he was able to twist the gun away from his body. He then heard two more gunshots and realized the suspect was still trying to shoot him. Fearing for his life and believing the suspect had just killed his partner, Deputy Reyes removed his service weapon and fired two rounds at the suspect, killing him.

Deputy Reyes then saw Deputy Ahmed get up from the ground and noticed his hands and shirt were covered in blood. It was then that Deputy Ahmed realized he had just been shot. Blood flowed from his face and his left eye was swollen shut. Deputy Reyes ran to the police car and put out a “deputy down” assistance request.

Paramedics soon arrived and transported Deputy Ahmed to a local hospital. He had been shot just below his left eye, and as a result, surgeons had to remove his eye. The bullet also detached his right jaw at the hinge and his jaw had to be wired shut. Deputy Ahmed remained in the hospital for two months and underwent several surgeries. He eventually returned to work and is currently assigned to the Twin Towers Correctional Facility.

For his heroic actions while engaged with an extremely violent and armed suspect, and demonstrating leadership, strength and courage under significant hardship, Deputy Mohamed Ahmed is awarded the Purple Heart.

For his exceptional bravery and placing himself in immediate life-threatening peril by engaging an armed and dangerous suspect, with full knowledge of the risk involved, Deputy Daniel Reyes is awarded the Department’s highest honor, the Medal of Valor.
## Department Budget

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| Professional Staff      | 7,532            | 58                              | 1,056                            | 572                     | 2,791            | 162                 | 312                       | 405                       | 283                       | 160                           | 365                         | 1,004                        | 364                         |
| Total Professional Staff| 9,086            | 58                              | 1,056                            | 603                     | 4,093            | 162                 | 359                       | 432                       | 325                       | 265                           | 365                         | 1,004                        | 364                         |

Total Department        | 19,491           | 117                             | 1,139                            | 2,025                   | 7,047            | 689                 | 1,667                      | 1,999                      | 1,402                     | 485                           | 1,127                        | 1,107                        | 687                         |

As of February 5, 2013
Budgeted Positions for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 (Student professional workers and student workers are now part of the count).
# Department Personnel Strength

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Total Professional Staff: 7,924
Percentage (%): 41

Total Personnel: 17,167
Percentage (%): 63

As of January 6, 2013
Department Part I Crime Clock

Crimes Committed Every 24 Hours

- **Larceny Theft**: 91 crimes, 16 minutes
- **Burglary**: 40 crimes, 36 minutes
- **Grand Theft Auto**: 31 crimes, 47 minutes
- **Aggravated Assault**: 24 crimes, 1 hour
- **Robbery**: 13 crimes, 2 hours
- **Arson**: 1 crime, 17 hours
- **Forcible Rape**: 1 crime, 18 hours
- **Criminal Homicide**: <1 crime, 53 hours

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## Department Part I Crime Activity Summary

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About the LASD

Led by Sheriff Leroy D. Baca, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is the largest sheriff’s department* and second largest policing agency in the United States. It is the largest contract policing agency and the second largest transit police force in the country. The LASD manages the nation's biggest county jail system (about 18,000 inmates) and the largest court security operation (600 bench officers and 42 Superior Courts).

Over four million people are directly protected by the LASD in 3,157 of the 4,057 square miles of Los Angeles County. This includes 42 incorporated cities, 130 unincorporated communities, ten community colleges, and over a million daily commuters of the buses and trains of the Los Angeles Metro and six-county Metrolink trains. The LASD includes nearly 10,000 budgeted sworn and 8,000 civilian personnel, as well as over 830 reserve sheriff’s deputies, 420 youth explorers, and over 4,300 civilian volunteers.

What is the difference between Police and Sheriff’s Departments?

A review of United States history will help answer this question. The founders of the United States strongly believed in decentralized, local control whenever possible. Americans continue to believe in local control, especially with regards to the law enforcement officers who protect them.

The United States does not have a national police force. Instead, there are thousands of police and sheriff’s departments across the U.S. While there are differences in policing among the 50 U.S. states and counties, California’s policing system is common.

The state of California is divided into 58 counties. The residents of each county elect a Sheriff to be the chief law enforcement officer of their county. The Sheriff and sheriff’s deputies are in charge of the jails and courts, and are the sole policing force for the county areas that are not in a city. Once a community incorporates and becomes a city, the city can either employ their own appointed police chief and police officers to patrol the city, or they can contract with the sheriff’s department of their county to be their police department.

Sheriff’s deputies and police officers have police powers throughout the entire state. State police have state jurisdiction including over state highways, and federal agents enforce federal laws.

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* Los Angeles County has nearly 10 million residents and includes 88 cities plus unincorporated communities.

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Each Station is represented by a number, which is also the first digit of the Reporting District (RD).
Field Operations Region I

Station: Altadena Sheriff’s Station
Address: 780 Altadena Drive, Altadena, CA 91001
Phone: (626) 798-1131
Unincorporated Communities: Altadena, Angeles National Forest Mount Wilson Area (Eaton Canyon), Chaney Trail, Kinneola Mesa, La Vina, Northeast Pasadena and Pasadena Glen
Website: www.Altdena.lasd.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/AltadenaSheriffsStation
Twitter: www.twitter.com/ALDLASD
Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - Altadena Station
Email: Altadena@lasd.org
LASD Mnemonic: ALD - 7

Station: Crescenta Valley Sheriff’s Station
Address: 4554 North Briggs Avenue, La Crescenta, CA 91214
Phone: (818) 248-3464
City: La Cañada Flintridge
Unincorporated Communities: La Crescenta, Montrose, Lopez Canyon, Kagel Canyon, Little Tujunga Canyon, Big Tujunga Canyon, Angeles National Forest (State Route 2 — Angeles Crest Hwy, Switzer Falls) and Mount Wilson
Website: www.CrescentaValley.lasd.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/CrescentaValleySheriffsStation
Twitter: www.twitter.com/CVLASD
Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - Crescenta Valley Station
Email: CrescentaValley@LASD.org
LASD Mnemonic: CVS - 2

Station: Lancaster Sheriff’s Station
Address: 501 Lancaster Boulevard, Lancaster, CA 93534
Phone: (661) 948-8466
City: Lancaster
Unincorporated Communities: Antelope Acres, Lake Los Angeles and Quartz Hill
Website: www.Lancaster.lasd.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/LancasterSheriffsStation
Twitter: www.twitter.com/LANLASD
Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - Lancaster Station
Email: Lancaster@lasd.org
LASD Mnemonic: LAN - 11

Station: Malibu/Lost Hills Sheriff’s Station
Address: 27050 Agoura Road, Agoura, CA 91301
Phone: (818) 878-1808
Cities: Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Hidden Hills, Malibu and Westlake Village
Unincorporated Communities: Chatsworth Lake Manor, Malibu Lake, Topanga and West Hills
Website: www.LostHills.lasd.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/LostHillsSheriffsStation
Twitter: www.twitter.com/LHSLASD
Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - Malibu/Lost Hills Station
Email: MalibuLostHills@lasd.org
LASD Mnemonic: LHS - 22
**Patrol Area Boundaries**

**Station: Palmdale Sheriff's Station**
- **Address:** 750 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, CA 93550
- **Phone:** (661) 272-2400
- **City:** Palmdale
- **Unincorporated Communities:** Acton, Agua Dulce, Leona Valley, Little Rock, Pearblossom and Vasquez Rocks
- **Website:** www.Palmdale.lasd.org
- **Facebook:** www.facebook.com/PalmdaleSheriffsStation
- **Twitter:** www.twitter.com/PalmdaleSheriff
- **Receive Text and Email:** www.nixle.com LASD - Palmdale Station
- **Email:** Palmdale@lasd.org
- **LASD Mnemonic:** PLM - 26

**Station: Santa Clarita Valley Sheriff's Station**
- **Address:** 23740 Magic Mountain Parkway, Valencia, CA 91355
- **Phone:** (661) 255-1121
- **City:** Santa Clarita
- **Website:** www.SantaClarita.lasd.org
- **Facebook:** www.facebook.com/SantaClaritaValleySheriffsStation
- **Twitter:** www.twitter.com/SCVSheriff
- **Receive Text and Email:** www.nixle.com LASD - Santa Clarita Valley Station
- **Email:** SantaClaritaValley@lasd.org
- **LASD Mnemonic:** SCT - 6

**Station: Temple Sheriff's Station**
- **Address:** 8838 Las Tunas Drive, Temple City, CA 91780
- **Phone:** (626) 285-7171
- **Cities:** Bradbury, Duarte, Rosemead, South El Monte and Temple City
- **Unincorporated Communities:** Chantry Flats, Monrovia-Arcadia-Duarte, North San Gabriel/East Pasadena and South San Gabriel
- **Website:** www.Temple.lasd.org
- **Facebook:** www.facebook.com/TempleSheriffsStation
- **Twitter:** www.twitter.com/TEMLASD
- **Receive Text and Email:** www.nixle.com LASD - Temple Station
- **Email:** Temple@lasd.org
- **LASD Mnemonic:** TEM - 5
Field Operations Region II

Station: Avalon Sheriff's Station
- Address: 215 Sumner Avenue, Avalon, CA 90704
- Phone: (310) 510-0174
- City: Avalon
- Unincorporated Communities: Santa Catalina Island, San Clemente Island and the Ocean Waters between the islands and mainland Southern California
- Website: www.Avalon.lasd.org
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/AvalonSheriffsStation
- Twitter: www.twitter.com/AvalonLASD
- Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - Avalon Station
- Email: Avalon@lasd.org
- LASD Mnemonic: AVA - 18

Station: Carson Sheriff's Station
- Address: 21356 South Avalon Boulevard, Carson, CA 90745
- Phone: (310) 830-1123
- City: Carson
- Unincorporated Communities: Gardena, Rancho Dominguez, Torrance and Harbor City
- Website: www.Carson.lasd.org
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/CarsonSheriffsStation
- Twitter: www.twitter.com/CarsonLASD
- Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - Carson Station
- Email: Carson@lasd.org
- LASD Mnemonic: CAS - 6

Station: Century Sheriff's Station
- Address: 11703 Alameda Street, Lynwood, CA 90262
- Phone: (323) 568-4800
- City: Lynwood
- Unincorporated Communities: Athens Park, Firestone, Florence, Willowbrook and Walnut Park
- Website: www.Century.lasd.org
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/CenturySheriffsStation
- Twitter: www.twitter.com/CENLASD
- Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - Century Station
- Email: Century@lasd.org
- LASD Mnemonic: CEN - 21

Station: Compton Sheriff's Station
- Address: 301 Willowbrook Avenue, Compton, CA 90220
- Phone: (310) 605-6500
- City: Compton
- Unincorporated Communities: East Rancho Dominguez, Gardena and Rosewood
- Website: www.Compton.lasd.org
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/ComptonSheriffsStation
- Twitter: www.twitter.com/ComptonLASD
- Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - Compton Station
- Email: Compton@lasd.org
- LASD Mnemonic: CPT - 28
**Patrol Area Boundaries**

**Station:** South Los Angeles Sheriff's Station  
**Address:** 1310 West Imperial Highway, Los Angeles, CA 90044  
**Phone:** (323) 820-6700  
**City:** Lawndale  
**Unincorporated Communities:** Athens, Del Aire, El Camino Village, Lennox, Moneta Gardens and Wiseburn  
**Website:** www.SouthLA.lasd.org  
**Facebook:** www.facebook.com/SouthLASheriffsStation  
**Twitter:** www.twitter.com/SouthLALASD  
**Receive Text and Email:** www.nixle.com LASD - South LA Station  
**Email:** SouthLA@lasd.org  
**LASD Mnemonic:** SLA - 3

**Station:** Lomita Sheriff's Station  
**Address:** 26123 South Narbonne Avenue, Lomita, CA 90717  
**Phone:** (310) 539-1661  
**Cities:** Lomita, Rancho Palos Verdes and Rolling Hills Estates  
**Unincorporated Communities:** Rolling Hills Academy Hill, La Rambla, Palos Verdes Peninsula and Westfield  
**Website:** www.Lomita.lasd.org  
**Facebook:** www.facebook.com/LomitaSheriffsStation  
**Twitter:** www.twitter.com/LMTLASD  
**Receive Text and Email:** www.nixle.com LASD - Lomita Station  
**Email:** Lomita@lasd.org  
**LASD Mnemonic:** LMT - 7

**Station:** Marina del Rey Sheriff's Station  
**Address:** 13851 Fiji Way, Marina Del Rey, CA 90292  
**Phone:** (310) 482-6000  
**Unincorporated Communities:** Marina del Rey, Ladera Heights, Santa Monica Bay, View Park and Windsor Hills  
**Website:** www.MarinaDelRey.lasd.org  
**Facebook:** www.facebook.com/MarinaDelReySheriffsStation  
**Twitter:** www.twitter.com/MDRLASD  
**Receive Text and Email:** www.nixle.com LASD - Marina del Rey Station  
**Email:** MarinadelRey@lasd.org  
**LASD Mnemonic:** MDR - 27

**Station:** West Hollywood Sheriff's Station  
**Address:** 780 North San Vicente Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069  
**Phone:** (310) 855-8850  
**City:** West Hollywood  
**Unincorporated Community:** Universal City Walk  
**Website:** www.WestHollywood.lasd.org  
**Facebook:** www.facebook.com/WestHollywoodSheriffsStation  
**Twitter:** www.twitter.com/WHDLASD  
**Receive Text and Email:** www.nixle.com LASD - West Hollywood Station  
**Email:** WestHollywood@lasd.org  
**LASD Mnemonic:** WHD - 9
Field Operations Region III

Station: Cerritos Sheriff's Station
Address: 18135 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703
Phone: (562) 860-0044
City: Cerritos
Website: www.Cerritos.lasd.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/CerritosSheriffsStation
Twitter: www.twitter.com/CERLASD
Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - Cerritos Station
Email: Cerritos@lasd.org
LASD Mnemonic: CER - 23

Station: East Los Angeles Sheriff's Station
Address: 5019 Third Street, Los Angeles, CA 90022
Phone: (323) 264-4151
Cities: Commerce, Cudahy and Maywood
Unincorporated Communities: Belvedere Gardens, City Terrace, Eastmont, East Los Angeles and Saybrook Park
Website: www.EastLA.lasd.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/EastLosAngelesSheriffsStation
Twitter: www.twitter.com/EastLALASD
Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - East Los Angeles Station
Email: EastLA@lasd.org
LASD Mnemonic: ELA - 2

Station: Industry Sheriff's Station
Address: 150 North Hudson Avenue, City of Industry, CA 91744
Phone: (626) 330-3322
Cities: Industry, La Puente and La Habra Heights
Unincorporated Communities: Bassett/North Whittier, East/West Valinda, Hacienda Heights and Valinda
Website: www.Industry.lasd.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/IndustrySheriffsStation
Twitter: www.twitter.com/INDLASD
Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - Industry Station
Email: Industry@lasd.org
LASD Mnemonic: IDT - 14

Station: Lakewood Sheriff's Station
Address: 5130 North Clark Avenue, Lakewood, CA 90712
Phone: (562) 623-3500
Cities: Artesia, Bellflower, Hawaiian Gardens, Lakewood and Paramount
Unincorporated Communities: Cerritos and Long Beach
Website: www.Lakewood.lasd.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/LakewoodSheriffsStation
Twitter: www.twitter.com/LKDLASD
Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - Lakewood Station
Email: Lakewood@lasd.org
LASD Mnemonic: LKD - 13
Station: Norwalk Sheriff's Station
Address: 12335 Civic Center Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650
Phone: (562) 863-8711
Cities: La Mirada and Norwalk
Unincorporated Communities: South unincorporated Whittier and East unincorporated Whittier
Website: www.Norwalk.lasd.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/NorwalkSheriffsStation
Twitter: www.twitter.com/NorwalkLASD
Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD-Norwalk Sheriffs Station
Email: Norwalk@lasd.org
LASD Mnemonic: NWK - 4

Station: Pico Rivera Sheriff's Station
Address: 6631 South Passons Boulevard, Pico Rivera, CA 90660
Phone: (562) 949-2421
City: Pico Rivera
Unincorporated Community: West Whittier
Website: www.PicoRivera.lasd.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/PicoRiveraSheriffsStation
Twitter: www.twitter.com/PRVLASD
Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD-Pico Rivera Sheriffs Station
Email: PicoRivera@lasd.org
LASD Mnemonic: PRV - 15

Station: San Dimas Sheriff's Station
Address: 270 South Walnut Avenue, San Dimas, CA 91773
Phone: (909) 450-2700
City: San Dimas
Unincorporated Communities: Covina, Azusa, Glendora, La Verne, Claremont, Azusa Canyon, Mount Baldy and Angeles National Forest (State Route 39)
Website: www.SanDimas.lasd.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/SanDimasSheriffsStation
Twitter: www.twitter.com/SDMLASD
Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - San Dimas Station
Email: SanDimas@lasd.org
LASD Mnemonic: SDM - 8

Station: Walnut/Diamond Bar Sheriff's Station
Address: 21695 Valley Boulevard, Walnut, CA 91789
Phone: (909) 595-2264
Cities: Diamond Bar and Walnut
Unincorporated Communities: Covina Hills, Rowland Heights and West Covina
Website: www.WalnutDiamondBar.lasd.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/WalnutDiamondBarSheriffsStation
Twitter: www.twitter.com/WALDBLASD
Receive Text and Email: www.nixle.com LASD - Walnut/Diamond Bar Station
Email: WalnutDiamondBar@lasd.org
LASD Mnemonic: WAL - 29
Courthouses

Court Services

1 Central Bureau Headquarters
   - Stanley Mosk County Courthouse
   - Clara Shortridge Foltz Area
   - Metropolitan Area
   - Central Arraignment Area
   - Criminal Courts Area

2 East Bureau Headquarters
   - Downey Court
   - Compton Area
   - Norwalk Area
   - Pasadena Area
   - Pomona Area

3 West Bureau Headquarters
   - Chatsworth Court
   - Airport Area
   - Long Beach Area
   - Van Nuys Area
   - Valley Area

42 Court Service Locations
   - Civil Management Bureau
     - Alhambra
     - www.civil.lasd.org
   - Court Services Transit Bureau

Jail Facilities

Custody and Correctional Facilities

1 - Inmate Reception Center
2 - Men's Central Jail
3 - Twin Towers
4 - Century Regional Detention Facility
5 - Mira Loma Detention Facility
6 - Pitchess Detention Center East Facility
7 - Pitchess Detention Center North Facility
8 - Pitchess Detention Center South Facility
9 - North County Correctional Facility
All Bureaus and Substations patrol over 150 parks in the Los Angeles County.