



Little Rock Police Department
COMMUNITY POLICING
ANNUAL REPORT

2018



BUILDING BRIDGES IN OUR COMMUNITY



Little Rock Police Department Mission Statement

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The Little Rock Police Department is committed to the Community Oriented Policing Philosophy and understands the importance of having positive relationships within our community. We strive to develop new relationships and maintain those partnerships we have built. Our goal is to not just improve the quality of life for everyone in the City, but to hold our Department to the highest standards of professionalism.

“The Vision of our Little Rock Police Department family is to serve as a model for policing, by embracing and perfecting the principles of the 21st Century Policing Pillars. Through collaboration with our diverse community partners, we will strive to make the City of Little Rock one of the safest cities in both the state and nation.”

- Chief Humphrey

21st Century Policing

21st Century Policing is a philosophy that guides police management style and operational strategies. It emphasizes establishment of police-community partnerships and a problem solving approach that is responsive to the needs of the community. This heightened cooperation between police officers and the public will foster good relationships to increase the quality of living within the neighborhood.

During 2018, the overall crime rate in the City of Little Rock dropped by 9 percent. At the same time, officers of the Community Oriented Policing Units worked approximately 20,000 hours in these police/community partnerships, always striving to strengthen existing bonds and forge new community partnerships.

Northwest COP Chain of Command



Lieutenant Steven McClanahan



Captain Heath Helton



Sergeant Wes Butler



Officer Justin Sangster



Officer James Phillips



Officer Arthur Lock



Officer Lisa Nava



*"We strive daily to be
the safest city in the
South "*
-Chief Humphrey

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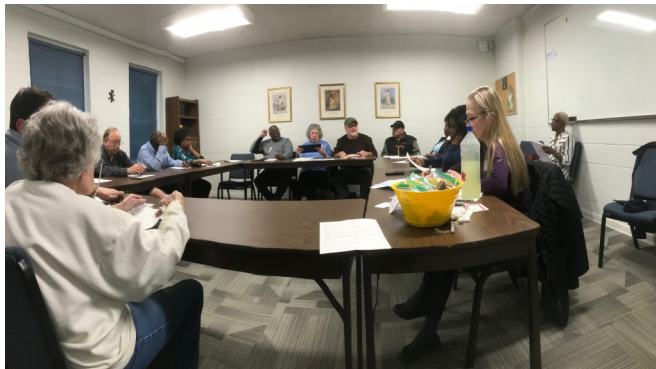


Drug Take Back Events

Community relationships are built and maintained in many different ways. Hosting community events such as the National Drug Take Back event is just one of them. The bi-annual Prescription Drug Take Back is the ideal opportunity to turn in unused and expired medications, to ensure they stay out of the hands of vulnerable Arkansans.



Neighborhood Meetings



Every month, each Northwest COP officer attends homeowner/neighborhood association meetings in their areas. These meetings help build strong bonds with the members of the neighborhoods and the leaders of the community. Our Northwest COP officers and residents share a common concern for maintaining safe, quality neighborhoods. Having a partnership with the community in which the officers work daily ensures they “jointly produce” positive public safety outcomes such as feelings of a safer community filled with trust and cooperation.

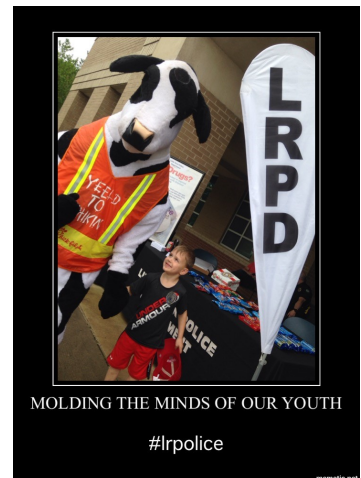
National Night Out

This event is held every year as a community-building campaign that promotes strong police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live and work. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community.



“National Night Out provides a great opportunity for police and neighbors to get together under positive circumstances.”

-Officer Hill



Car Safety Seat event



The Northwest COP unit hosted a Car Safety Seat event to offer free car seat inspection and instruction to members of our community. One-on-one personalized instruction on how to properly install and use a child car seat ensures that our most precious community assets are protected.

Bike Patrol



The best thing about bike patrol is the added benefit of getting face time with our residents. Northwest COP officers love interacting with the community! Being on a bicycle rather than a patrol car brings a much closer connection with people in the neighborhoods.

Northwest Patrol COP has 4 officers assigned to the bicycle unit.

Bike Patrol Training

In order to provide the best police services possible for our community, Northwest COP officers attend different training courses throughout the year. Bicycles are the ultimate vehicle for a stealthy patrol. Our bike officers train for unique situations that being on the bike may offer. The use of sight, smell and hearing creates a slightly different environment from what officers in patrol cars would or wouldn't notice as easily.



School Resource Officers/ Community Outreach COP

Community Policing forms a vital bridge between the Department and our schools. We utilize this opportunity in several different ways.

The COP officers can contribute to a productive and enriching environment for the students. Police officers stand as strong role models for students all while providing positive interactions between our youth and the officers.



Hero's and Helpers (Police officers shop with members of our community for the holidays) provides a fun filled day for a number of children in need throughout the city while building positive relationships with our Northwest COP officers. The children are identified by schools, churches, youth organizations.



Turkey give-a-way Just in time for the holidays, the Northwest COP officers helped organize and distribute turkeys to community members. This event was sponsored by the Little Rock Police Foundation.



Special Olympics Arkansas Northwest COP Officers support the Special Olympics throughout the year in many different ways. The athletes call us Heroes, but in all honesty they are the true HEROES!



Coffee with a Cop

Throughout the year we choose multiple locations within the City of Little Rock to sponsor a Coffee with a Cop. This is a very successful event each and every time. Community members are able to have coffee and warm conversations with members of the Department.



Southwest COP Chain of Command



Captain Max Spriggs



Lieutenant John Lott



Sergeant Tim White



Officer Ronnie Morgan



Officer Elizabeth Hernandez



Officer Rebecca Tolleson



Southwest Patrol Division

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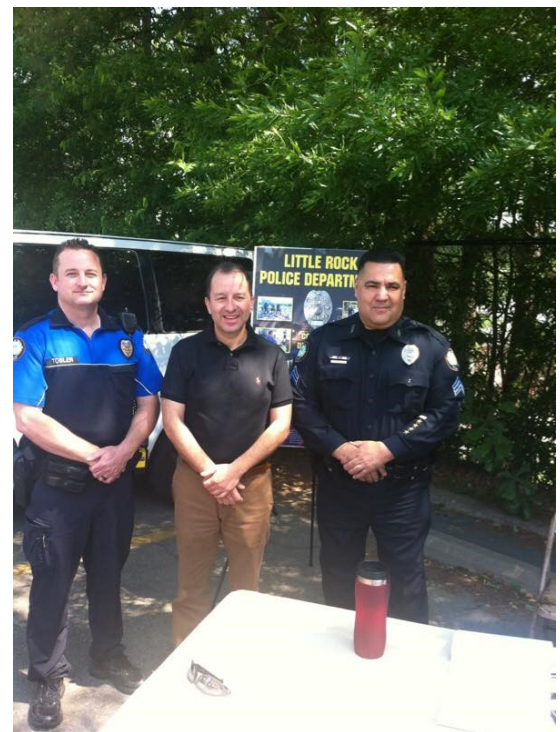
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Neighborhood Meetings



Little Rock Municipal Identification Card

The City of Little Rock Identification Card program kicked off in July of 2018. The card was established to bring all of Little Rock's residents together as one community. This unique photo identification card is for residents 14 and older to connect those residents to municipal services, to incorporate them into the local economy, to increase security, and to provide them with a sense of belonging to the City of Little Rock. Southwest COP Unit helped facilitate the establishment of the Multicultural Liaison Office. Nearly 1000 cards were issued by the end of the year.



"Community policing begins with a commitment to building trust and mutual respect between police and communities. When police and communities collaborate, they more effectively address underlying issues, change negative behavioral patterns, and allocate resources."

*-The Office of Community Policing Services
(Department of Justice)*



Working Together in the Community

A City of Little Rock initiative led by Director Joan Adcock. The main focus of Working Together in the Community is the improvement of the relationship between the Hispanic community and the rest of the city.

The Little Rock Police Department has been instrumental in this project since its inception in March of 2015.



Working Together in the Community has provided educational services to the community, including Driver Safety and Traffic Law classes in Spanish, taught by Sergeant Jacob Tobler. Forums aimed at educating the public about Code Enforcement and other city services have also been held in Spanish.



Clergy Alliance



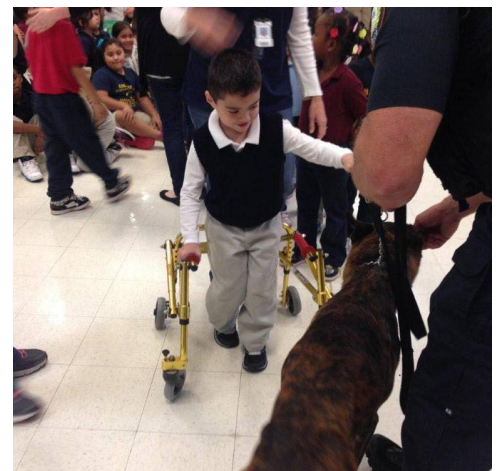
The Southwest Field Services Division is also home to the Police and Clergy Alliance (PACA), led by Pastor Robert Holt. The goal of PACA is to develop a relationship between the interfaith leaders in our city and law enforcement, in order to help each other serve the community and provide support to one another.



Building a strong bridge between the LRPD and the community



Working Together in the Community has helped organize events, such as a bilingual job fair hosted by the City of Little Rock and a Cinco de Mayo commemoration hosted by the Little Rock Police Department and the Mexican Consulate. The city and LRPD have also been represented at many other community events due to the facilitation of Working Together in the Community.



Consulate Visits

Working Together in the Community has hosted visits from the consulates of El Salvador, Guatemala and the Philippines at the Southwest Community Recreation Center.



12th Street COP Chain of Command



Captain Crystal Haskins



Lieutenant Steve Taylor



Sergeant Van Watson



Officer Kelley Crace



Officer Stacey Chambers



Officer Charles Starratt



Officer Marquise Goodlow



Officer Tarrence Rawls



12th Street Station

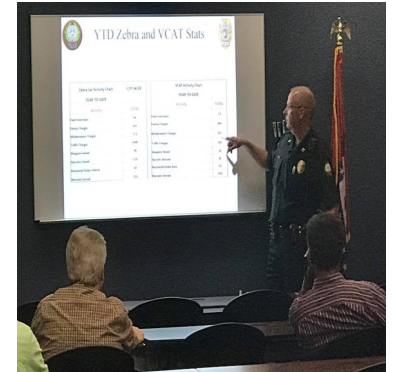
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12th Street Station COP Meetings with the community

The 12th Street Division has 22 active neighborhood associations. Neighborhood associations are made up of citizens who are active in their community and are dedicated to improving and protecting their neighborhoods. Discussions at the neighborhood association meetings allow residents to speak directly with the officer assigned to their area. This direct point of contact affords a more personal relationship between members of the department and the citizens we serve.



Mayor's Youth Council



"The Mayor's Youth Council gives students the opportunity to get to know students from other schools, get involved in the community through volunteer work, and to learn about and provide input on Little Rock city government."

-Former Mayor Stodola

COP officers work closely with area churches and shelters to provide necessities throughout the year with special emphasis during the holiday season. Officers have collected and distributed items such as food and clothing as well as gifts for under privileged children in their neighborhoods.

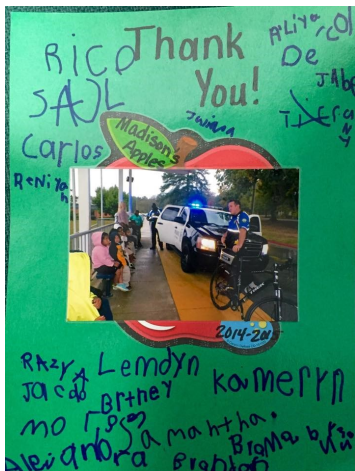
Largest COP Unit in the city

The 12th Street Division of the Little Rock Police Department contains the largest Community Oriented Policing (COP) unit in the city. This commitment is embodied by the five officers assigned to the unit who perform various functions within the Department that benefit the citizens of the neighborhoods they serve.



School programs for 12th Street Division COP

Community Oriented Police (COP) officers are helping to educate our younger citizens by working closely with area schools. Officers visit with school children to discuss the role of police officers and to answer any questions the students may have. COP officers have a unique advantage of bringing their bicycles and using them as a talking point and bonding opportunity.



National Night Out

This event is coordinated with our neighborhood associations to show solidarity between the citizens and the police department. National Night Out declares that we hold our communities to a high standard in which crime is not tolerated. This event creates an atmosphere of cooperation and support between the neighborhood and the Department.



Bike with a Cop

When it comes to building bridges in our community, this event helps connect the citizens and LRPD by teaming up with the Mid Town Health Alliance to engage area residents in exploring healthy activities.



National Drug Take Back



National Drug Take Back- Allows citizens twice a year to participate in local involvement to dispose of any unwanted or expired prescription drugs. The drugs are collected, weighed and then safely destroyed by the DEA.

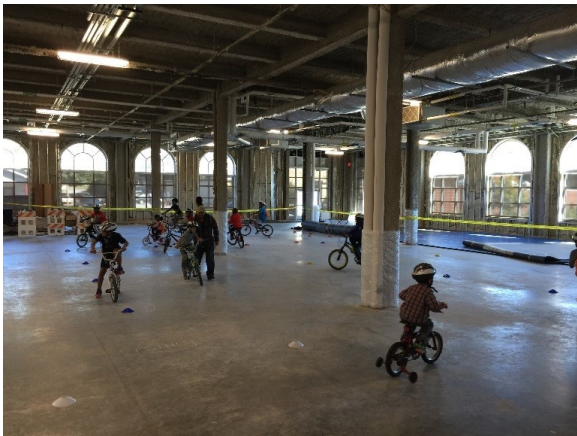


Coffee with a COP

Little Rock Police officers enjoy numerous opportunities to visit with our community, this event is one of our favorites. This event is in a comfortable setting at various restaurants or coffee shops around the city. These meetings with the community have been very successful in providing communication and building trust and transparency.

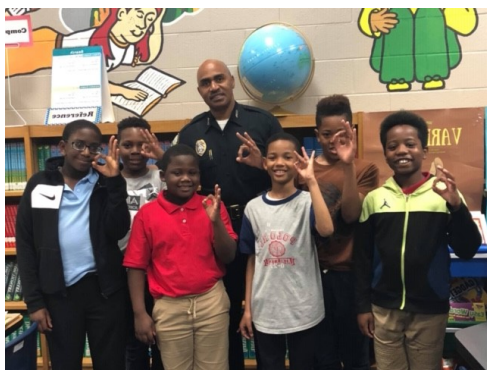


Community Oriented Policing in Central Arkansas





OK Program— (Our Kids) is a free program offering positive guidance & support to African-American males ages 12 to 18yrs old. There are currently over 200 male students enrolled in the O.K. Program. The LRPD is committed to engaging with young men of our community through non-enforcement activities. These programs have shown to build relationships of trust between our youth and the officers that mentor them. This trust is the foundation for providing a positive relationship between our Department and the community we serve.



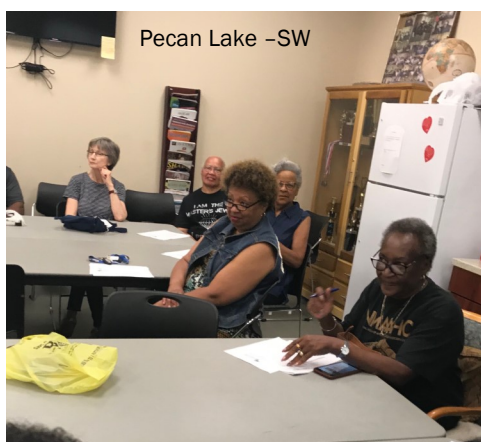
G.E.M.S Program— (Girls Empowered by Mentoring Sisterhood) is a free program that teaches self-respect, empowerment, social responsibility, academic achievement and life skills for girls ages 12 to 18. Our GEMS Program was first introduced in the 2015-2016 school year with a small representation of African-American young women but has quickly grown into a program that sees 35-40 middle and high school young women each Saturday.



Neighborhood Crime Watch

Neighborhood Crime Watch is an organized group of civilians dedicated to reducing crime and improving the quality of their neighborhoods.

Our Officers work together with our Neighborhood Organizations to create safer neighborhoods to raise our children in.



Pecan Lake -SW



Wakefield-SW



Capital View/Stiff Station - 12th St Div.



Pleasant Valley-NW



Briarwood (BANA) -NW



SOMA - 12th St. Div.

Just a few of our Neighborhood Crime Watch groups.

South on Main SOMA -12st Street Division

Downtown- 12th Street Division

Fairpark- 12th Street Division

East Little Rock Pecan Lake- 12th Street Division

Capital View/Stiff Station- 12th Street Division

Upper Baseline- Southwest Division

Chicot-Southwest Division

Wakefield- Southwest Division

University- Southwest Division

Suzanne Place-Southwest Division

Briarwood (BANA)- Northwest Division

Pleasant Valley-Northwest Division

Aberdeen- Northwest Division

John Barrow-Northwest Division

Leawood-Northwest Division

NW University- Northwest Division

Treasure Hill- Northwest Division

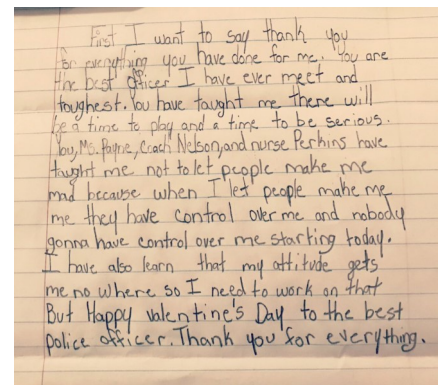
Hall High- Northwest Division



School Resource Officers



The Little Rock Police Department's School Resource Unit (SRO) has officers assigned to five high schools, seven middle schools and one alternative learning center. The objective of the SRO program is to promote and assist the Little Rock School District in providing a safe learning environment and to improve relationships between the police officers and today's youth.



Mounted Patrol

Mounted police are officers who patrol on horseback. For more than 25 years, the Little Rock Police Department's Mounted Patrol has had a unique vantage point when it comes to community policing in the Capital City. The added height and visibility of the horses provide officers the ability to observe a wider area which helps detect and deter crime.



Citizens Police Academy

The Little Rock Police Department Citizens Police Academy (CPA) is designed to give the public a working knowledge of the Little Rock Police Department's personnel and its policies. It is held once a week for eight weeks. The instruction is comprehensive, covering a different area of the police department each week. Certified police officers, supervisors, and personnel with expertise in a particular division conduct each instructional block.



The purpose of the program is to provide enough information to the participants so they may make informed judgments about the police department and police activity as well as to learn why the department can and cannot do certain things. It is hoped that the instruction will increase police awareness in order to dispel suspicions and misconceptions and to increase police and community relations through this educational process. The Department, in turn, becomes more aware of the feelings and concerns of the community from the participant's interaction and input during this two-way learning experience.



Citizens Police Academy Alumni

It was clear after the completion of the Citizens Police Academy program there was a need for a continued working relationship between citizens and the Police Department. As a result, the Alumni Association was formed. The function of the Alumni Association is to continue education and work on projects that support the LRPD in an ongoing partnership.

Police Youth Camp



The Police Youth Camp enables pre-teen boys and girls ages 10-12 from the Little Rock community to have direct and positive exposure to police officers through a five-day, four-night camp experience. The camp helps open lines of communication and improves relations between the officers and young people in our community. Ultimately, Police Youth Camp rewards kids for good behavior.

Youth Camp Mission Statement

To build positive relationships between youth and police through educational, recreational and positive interaction with police officers in order to promote a stronger community.

Motorcycle Unit



The Little Rock Police Department Motorcycle Unit has 6 officers and 1 sergeant. Motorcycles offer many advantages over a patrol car. A motorcycle can maneuver between stalled traffic and easily use alternate routes. One of the top priorities for the motorcycle unit is to answer traffic complaints from our citizens regarding dangerous traffic violations in their neighborhoods.

K9 Unit



Our K-9 Unit undergoes weekly specialized training in order to ensure their effectiveness. All K-9's must successfully complete an annual State Certification and National Certifications. The K-9's are trained to conduct building searches and illegal narcotics detection. The LRPD K-9's also play a vital role in providing support for our patrol units, SWAT and criminal investigations.

Arkansas State Fair



The 79th Arkansas State Fair saw an increase in security including a visible law enforcement presence by the Little Rock Police Department. It is our goal to be visible and approachable to the public during such a large scale event.

The fair brings in nearly 30,000 attendees daily. LRPD patrols on and around the fairgrounds and maintains a Crime Prevention booth inside the Hall of Industry.

Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure



Little Rock Marathon

