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In the past few years, our Department has experienced its share of challenges. There have been budget cuts, staffing shortages, and a lack of funds to make necessary infrastructure repairs or to replace outdated facilities. The relentless drive of our Department personnel and the continued support of the Board of Supervisors has greatly assisted in overcoming these obstacles, as we enter a period of rebuilding. This year, above all others, we can see tangible evidence of our steadfast pursuit.

Anyone monitoring this year’s transfer lists can attest to the increase in the staffing of our Department. These increases have permitted our Department to expand our recruitment efforts with the goal of filling our many vacancies. The opening of the new academy at Antelope Valley College furthers our effort to train deputy sheriff recruits.

The Special Enforcement Bureau completed its move into the newly refurbished Biscailuz Regional Training Center (BRTC) in early October. Construction continues to progress at the BRTC, the future home of our flagship academy, pistol range, and numerous advanced training units that are expected to move to the BRTC in 2007. As of December 1, we met our goal of hiring 1,000 deputy sheriffs by the year’s closing, thus achieving an all-time high for the hiring of newly sworn personnel in a year.

This year, with the support of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, we had monumental progress from our Facilities Planning Bureau. The cities of Palmdale and San Dimas held ceremonies for the opening of their new stations. We broke ground for the construction of the expansion and refurbishment of the Lakewood Station and La Mirada Community Station. Construction continues at the state-of-the-art Regional Crime Laboratory, which we anticipate to open in May of 2007. Additionally, funding was approved to renovate the Sybil Brand Institute for Women jail facility. As we move into a new year, the Department will undeniably continue to make needed structural changes to accommodate the advancement and increase in personnel of our growing agency.

Almost daily, the world news captures the visions of war as our country continues to battle terrorism. Our Department personnel engage in this action both overseas and in our homeland. This was especially evident at the end of the year as the holiday season came to pass: 29 Department members were deployed to serve in the Iraqi war, numerous others returned home, some from a second tour of duty, and more than 350 Department personnel served as active military reserves. The Department’s Military Activation Committee (MAC) has continued to support the brave men and women who serve in our nation’s military. They have been able to provide support to both activated personnel and their families by establishing an informational website, designating Military Liaison Officers at each unit of the Department, and shipping holiday packages to deployed personnel.

On the home front, the Joint Regional Intelligence Center (JRIC) opened its doors in July to coordinate the tracking and dissemination of counter-terrorism information. The Terrorism Early Warning (TEW) Group, in a concerted effort with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Los Angeles Police Department, will filter tips received regarding possible terrorist activities. This proactive effort will undeniably benefit the Southland in identifying threats, following leads, and ultimately preventing attacks.

The “Compton Task Force” seized firearms, served search warrants, and affected the arrest of hundreds of criminals. Their effort substantially lowered the crime and murder rates in the City of Compton. Homicide Bureau solved many cases, including the arrest of Deputy David March’s killer. Detectives will continue to work until the killer is extradited from Mexico and is tried for murder.

On a more somber note, our Department suffered the devastating loss of four deputies this year.

The senseless murder of Deputy Maria Rosa was brought to somewhat of a close when a break in the case resulted in the arrest of two suspects. Deputy Pierre Bain was killed when he was struck on his motorcycle while attempting to initiate a traffic stop. Tragically, Deputy David Piquette was also killed in a separate traffic accident. Deputy Paul Wilms was killed as a result of an accidental shooting. Our Department nearly suffered another fatality when Deputy James Mulay was deliberately run down by a robbery suspect attempting to flee the scene of a crime. His will to survive and inner strength have carried him through the pain, surgeries, and therapy he has had to endure. With the tremendous support of his family, friends, and law enforcement family, he has made nothing short of a miraculous recovery. For those whom we have lost, we can keep the memories of how they touched our lives in our minds, their spirits close to our hearts, and their love of life as an example to all.

The experiences and tasks that challenge us on personal and professional levels will be constant. It is how we choose to face these obstacles which show our true measure. As a Department, I am proud that this year has been a testimony to the fact that our morale and accomplishments will continue to persevere, regardless of the challenges. Our actions continue to exemplify our Core Values, Mission Statement, and Department Creed, enabling us to better serve and impact the lives of the people in our communities.

Lee Baca, Sheriff
Introduction

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department provides law enforcement services to 40 contract cities, 90 unincorporated communities, nine community colleges, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority, and 17 Superior Courts. Additionally, the Sheriff is responsible for housing, feeding, medically treating, and securing approximately 17,000 inmates in seven custody facilities.

The Sheriff’s Department maintains specialized search and rescue teams which deploy helicopters and rescue teams to emergencies or disasters anywhere within the county and beyond. At any one time, deputies patrol the coastline, city streets, mountain roads, and even the water and sky. Additionally, detectives from Nomic Intelligence, Arson/Explosives Detail, Operation Safe Streets Bureau, Special Victims Bureau, and Major Crimes Bureau conduct investigations on complex and often notorious cases.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department has made proactive efforts to battle domestic terrorism by establishing the Terrorism Early Warning (TEW) Group in 1996. Since then, a “first responder” course was developed for field personnel confronted with a weapon of mass destruction incident. Both have become model programs replicated across the country and have progressed into the coordinated effort of creating the Joint Regional Intelligence Center (JRIC), designed to coordinate the tracking and dissemination of counter-terrorism information.

Our recruitment campaign is operating at an extremely high level, as we continue to recruit qualified candidates throughout the United States, with our primary focus in the Southern California region. In addition, we have experienced tremendous success with hiring our brave military personnel, who will enhance our Department by their strong fortitude. Thanks to the dedicated efforts of the sworn and professional staff of this Department, we have met and exceeded our goal to hire 1,000 deputy sheriffs this year.
Our Mission

Lead the fight to prevent crime and injustice. Enforce the laws fairly and defend the rights of all. 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 right 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.
Personnel Administration

Personnel Administration’s Recruitment Unit began 2006 with the formidable goal of hiring 1,000 Deputy Sheriff Trainees. The mission was to take advantage of every opportunity to reach potential applicants at local, state, and national levels. The Unit emphasized a customer service approach, which echoed the “Core Values” of the Department. From coast to coast, the message could be heard: “The Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department . . . Now Hiring . . . Real People, Real Leaders.”

The Recruitment Unit used new and non-traditional advertising venues. The billboard campaign extended to the state of Nevada. Local and national newspapers and magazines featured full page color advertisements. Employment websites like Careerbuilders.com, Monster.com, YahooHottJobs.com, and Jobing.com featured both sworn and professional job opportunities. Recruiters attended job fairs and community events, visited campuses, and partnered with local businesses and community groups to disseminate information and garner interest in the employment opportunities offered.

Sponsorship by a variety of professional sports teams took the recruitment campaign to new heights. The “Now Hiring” message was broadcast during sports events, including the Dodgers’, Lakers’, and Avengers’ games. Dodgers’ slugger Nomar Garciaparra and Lakers’ rookie Jordan Farmar were featured in many recruitment advertisements. The “Join Our Team” television commercial was carried by major cable television providers, a multitude of networks, and was shown in six major league baseball stadiums.

Outfitted for success, the Recruitment Unit used two recently retired LASD sergeants, who were highly decorated Vietnam combat veterans, to vigorously recruit active and reserve military personnel throughout the nation. The new “We Will Wait for You” program allows service men and women to take the written examination anytime during their active duty service. The Department honors passing scores for up to four years.

An important aspect of the Recruitment Unit’s mission was to make the testing process user-friendly and accessible to all prospective applicants. Candidates have the opportunity to test for Deputy Sheriff Trainee at the Personnel Administration Building in Monterey Park six days a week. To supplement the testing conducted at Personnel Administration, the Recruitment Unit traveled across the nation conducting the Deputy Sheriff Trainee written examination and oral interview. Referred to as “Road Shows,” these off-site tests proved to be extremely successful. The Recruitment Unit conducted more than 50 “Road Shows” during 2006, which resulted in more than 3,500 Deputy Sheriff Trainee applicants and 900 Custody Assistant applicants. Of those tested, more than 1,600 Deputy Sheriff Trainee candidates and 400 Custody Assistant candidates entered the background process.

The Recruitment Unit would like to thank each member of the Department who assisted in the recruitment campaign. More than 20,000 Deputy Sheriff Trainee applications were received and, today, we have more than 1,000 new leaders.
Food Services Unit prepares food for the Los Angeles Sheriff’s Department’s 22 patrol stations. In order to better fulfill this mission, the Unit has developed a new and innovative method of preparing food – pre-portioning.

Fulfilling Current Needs

This new pre-portioning method allows the Food Services staff to cook meals, prepare food trays, freeze, and deliver the meals in bulk, to the patrol stations only once or twice a week. The pre-portioned method not only eliminates the overproduction of food, but cuts delivery costs. The “TV dinner” style trays allow station personnel to heat and serve only those meals required.

The pre-portioning method of serving inmate meals is currently used at 10 of the 22 Sheriff’s patrol stations. Based on the success of the pre-portioning program at the 10 patrol stations, the Food Services Unit is seeking to expand the program to the remaining patrol stations. Additionally, Food Services has eliminated outside food contracts costing thousands of dollars.

Also, pre-portioning allows the Food Services Unit to prepare nutritional breakfast, lunch, or dinner meal options for the Officers’ Dining Room (ODR). After the recent inmate disturbances within the Jail System, coupled with the fact that the Pitchess East Jail Facility does not have a functional kitchen, the need to provide on-site meals in the ODR became critical.

Fulfilling Future Expansion Needs

Since Hurricane Katrina, the United States Office of Homeland Security has recommended that law enforcement facilities housing inmates maintain at least three days of an emergency food supply. Frozen food gives each station a three-day supply, in the event of a natural disaster.

In line with the preparation for emergency meals, the Food Services Unit is joining forces with the Emergency Operations Bureau to develop a method of delivering pre-portioned meals to the field units, in the event a major disaster, search and rescue mission, or emergent event that requires employees maintain their posts beyond their regular shifts.

The Food Services Unit is preparing to expand the pre-portioning process to include the 6,500 medical meals that are served on a daily basis. The major advantage of pre-portioning medical diets is the ability to ensure that each medically prescribed meal is identical in form and is made with the exact doctor prescribed portions.
The Court Services’ Civil Management Unit served a Writ of Possession on a fourteen-acre undeveloped parcel of land in the City of Los Angeles and evicted the occupants from what had become known as the South-Central Farm.

In 1992, this property was taken from its owner via eminent domain proceedings by the City of Los Angeles. While development was planned, the property was divided into 350 plots, and area residents were allowed to establish community gardens. The city failed to develop the property within the statutory period and sold the property back to the original owner. The owner intended to develop the property, but the occupants, who had been farming on the property for more than 12 years, refused to leave. The occupants formed a group and filed lawsuits, attempting to prevent the property from being returned to its original owner. After several years of litigation, the owner was able to obtain a court order for the return of the property.

After the group was unsuccessful at blocking the owner’s efforts, they began securing the property to prevent entry. This group was joined in their cause by celebrities, professional tree-sitters, and other activist groups. The number of protesters on any given day fluctuated from 50 to 200. Information gained from undercover agents and informants indicated that traps were being constructed throughout the property to injure the deputies. Tarps were placed on the fence to hide the activities inside. Volunteers began to live in tents on the property.

On June 13, 2006, 200 members of the Los Angeles Sheriff’s Department and approximately 70 officers from the Los Angeles Police Department evicted the occupants. Participants included the Los Angeles City and County Fire Departments, Civil Management Unit, Special Enforcement Bureau/Emergency Services Detail, Aero Bureau, Operation Safe Streets, Arson and Explosives, Emergency Operations Bureau, and the Media Productions Unit. As the deputies approached, protesters blew loud whistles in order to warn the occupants of the impending eviction.

Deputies from the Special Enforcement Bureau used power saws to cut the hardened chains that secured the gates. The occupants were directed to leave the property and many did so. However, several protesters took positions in the trees and chained themselves inside protest devices known as Sleeping Dragons. Sleeping Dragons are three-foot lengths of pipe which shield the wrists of two interlocked protesters who are joined together with chains at the wrists. To remove the device, a square section was cut from the middle of the pipe to expose the steel pin joining the wrist chains. To make removal more difficult, many of the sleeping dragons had been encased in 55 gallon drums full of concrete. Using jackhammers, each drum took one hour to remove.

Shortly after deputies gained entrance, approximately 200 protesters responded to the area. They surrounded the property, causing the eviction to almost eight hours to complete, resulting in 17 arrests from within the property and 40 arrests on the outskirts of the property. Charges were filed against many of the protesters who were subsequently sentenced to probation and community service. Not only was this one of the largest and most expensive evictions performed in the country, it was performed under the close scrutiny of the news media and the general public. Notwithstanding the significant obstacles placed before members of the Department, the eviction was performed flawlessly.
On March 26, 2006, Century Regional Detention Facility (CRDF) officially reopened its doors as the Sheriff’s Department’s sole female jail. Formerly a men’s facility, CRDF closed in 2002 due to budget constraints. When CRDF was identified as the County’s newest female jail, extensive renovations to its physical plant were planned and executed in a super-condensed timeframe. This necessitated plans to accommodate all mandated safety, security, and service requirements. CRDF is now the County’s only comprehensive custodial facility which provides for all aspects of incarceration; from the original booking following the arrest, through confinement and the release process.

Coordinated by Facilities Services, CRDF’s Reception Center was transformed from a simple movement center into triage/receiving/movement complex. A property reception room was installed in a former holding cell. A former library was converted to provide for inmate privacy during strip searches. Document Control was configured into a new space that was previously the court’s holding area. Data Systems Bureau facilitated upgrades to CRDF’s computer technology systems and installed the Voice Over Internet Protocol (IP) telephone system.

A new X-Ray room allowed images to be digitally transmitted to Twin Towers, thus reducing the need for on-site professional staff. Two holding cells were converted into Medical and Mental Health screening rooms. An observation unit and additional pharmacy area were added for Medical Services staff. Unused recreation space was converted into staff offices for 44 Department of Mental Health personnel.

Office space was converted to restrooms, including excavating four feet to install plumbing. Throughout the entire housing area, urinals were replaced with toilets. Privacy screens and ADA compatible fixtures were added to inmate shower areas. CRDF was quickly transformed into a female facility.

"I Get by With a Little Help From My Friends"

CRDF prides itself as a “program-oriented jail facility.” The direct supervision format of its housing modules is conducive to a wide variety of educational programs, religious services, and support groups. CRDF partnered with Hacienda-La Puente School District (HLPSD) for educational programs.

The Department’s Religious and Volunteer Services Unit provides religious services for those in custody. By making these programs available to all incarcerated females, the goal is simple: “To reduce recidivism through educational and support opportunities.” Everyone at CRDF operates like a “family.” Overall, it’s a positive, cohesive, and fluid working environment for one and all!
This is a multi-agency, multi-jurisdictional task force with the mission of apprehending identity thieves and bringing them to justice. The Task Force’s operation area includes Los Angeles, Orange, and Ventura counties. The Task Force consists of Sheriff’s Department Bonus II investigators, as well as personnel from the United States Postal Service, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Secret Service, Immigration Customs Enforcement, Social Security Administration, and the California Department of Motor Vehicles, as well as a number of local law enforcement agencies. A specially-trained deputy district attorney also serves on the Task Force. Public awareness and identity theft prevention are essential functions of the Task Force. In July 2005, the Identity Theft Task Force partnered with Weyerhaeuser Recycling and Document Destruction Company to offer free paper shredding to residents of Los Angeles and neighboring counties.

The shred-a-thon afforded citizens an opportunity to shred up to five boxes of documents, for free. Because of the overwhelming response by the public, the two-day shred-a-thon evolved into a one-day a-month event, which continued through December 2006.

Traffic Violator School Monitoring Program

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors directed the creation of a three-party contract with Housing Authority of Los Angeles, the Superior Court, and the Sheriff’s Department to monitor fraud in traffic schools within Los Angeles County. In response to the Board’s directive, the Sheriff’s Department created the Traffic Violator School Monitoring Detail within the Commercial Crimes Bureau. This new unit is a unique and successful blending of several county and state government agencies, and was established specifically to target administrative and criminal wrongdoing by traffic schools. The sworn personnel assigned to this program have utilized their own extensive and unique investigative knowledge and experience to implement innovative enforcement actions in an attempt to investigate what appears to be a widespread problem.

On October 25, 2006, the Unit was recognized with a Certificate of Recognition from the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors and the Chief Administrative Officer’s Quality and Productivity Commission.
**Office of the Sheriff**

**New Department Creed**

Every organization needs a clear, concise, written declaration of its central and common purpose. Within our organization, Sheriff’s deputies make a collective promise to do their best, an admirable goal that requires a full and honest effort every day. Humble in his dedication to the community, Deputy David March was a living example of how we should conduct and represent ourselves in our daily duties and personal interactions. Tragically, his life was violently cut short on April 29, 2002, when he was killed in the line of duty while making a traffic stop. Ironically, he provided his supervisor with his own philosophy on life and his career when asked for input on his evaluation a week before his death. Dew’s own words inspired Sheriff Baca to utilize them as our Department’s new Creed.

**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

Living by these principles, Deputy March embodied the Department’s tradition of service and embraced the philosophy of doing your best. In honor of every fallen hero, the creed serves as a reminder for all of us to strive for excellence and to embrace our commitment to serve the community.
The ASAP system will incorporate surveillance cameras, advanced license plate recognition technology, video analytics, and gunshot detection capabilities. At the core of the ASAP project is the creation of a fiber optic and wireless network infrastructure linked to a state of the art command center at Compton Sheriff’s Station. A fiber optic/wireless network will be run to all 110 intersections in Compton and will be utilized to implement surveillance cameras and other law enforcement technologies. A wireless network provides the ability to add wireless surveillance cameras to targeted areas and provide streaming video directly to and from police cars and helicopters.

The plan includes the deployment of high quality surveillance cameras in key intersections throughout the city and adjoining county districts. The cameras will have night vision capability and the ability to read a license plate at 200 yards.

The ASAP system includes Automatic License Plate Recognition (ALPR) technology. The ALPR technology reads and records vehicle license plates in day or night conditions and notifies deputies when a vehicle is wanted or stolen. The ALPR technology will be of particular value when searching for dangerous suspects or missing children following an Amber Alert.

The ASAP system will be effectively managed with smart software known as video analytics. This technology can be programmed to automatically alert law enforcement personnel when certain key behaviors occur where surveillance cameras are present.

The ASAP system will also include acoustic gunshot detection technology, which is a gunfire location system that incorporates several elevated sensors with a computerized mapping system. This technology accurately pinpoints locations of gunfire within seconds of the occurrence.

The Advanced Surveillance and Protection system (ASAP) is a comprehensive approach to dramatically reduce criminal activity and, thereby improve the quality of life throughout the area. The success of ASAP is contingent upon a strong partnership between the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department and the community, as well as local businesses and faith-based organizations.
Sheriff's Headquarters Bureau

Graphic Arts Unit

Sheriff's Headquarters Bureau (SHB) is the Department's centralized hub for information acquisition and dissemination. The Bureau handles many high profile Department-wide media events and assists municipal police agencies who contract with the Sheriff's Department. One often requested Bureau resource is the Graphic Arts Unit.

Established in 1966, the Graphic Arts Unit is responsible for producing graphics for a variety of Department projects and is instrumental in assisting with law enforcement investigations. The Unit creates award scrolls, brochures, logos, booklet designs, press conference display boards, and court qualified crime scene diagram displays. Sophisticated composite drawings, facial reconstructions, age progressions, photograph alterations, enhanced footwear prints, tattoo re-creations, and models are also created for court trials by our talented staff. The Graphic Arts Unit has been featured on 48 Hours, CNN, North Mission Road, and other television programs.

The Graphic Arts Unit personnel go through an extensive two-year training program. They must have a strong graphics background, possess exceptional Photoshop skills, attend training to develop their skills in composite drawings, show competency in to-scale crime scene drawings, and complete specialized photography classes. Courtroom testimony training is also included, as the graphic specialists testify on all forensic work created.

Graphics Specialist Sandie Enslow has attended the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Academy for Forensic facial imaging. She also responds to various incident locations to produce detailed documentation of crime scenes.

The unit expanded this year, with the addition of two more Graphic Specialists, Ignacio Mendoza and Sheryl Terrill. Graphics Specialists assisted Sheriff's Homicide detectives with extensive work on the identification of several young women thought be the victims of a serial killer.

The designing and formatting of numerous photographs and display boards were used in highly publicized press conferences. Due to the professional presentation, several confirmations were made of the victims of the serial killer.

With requests ranging from presentation scrolls for dignitaries, photograph alterations, and homicide composite drawings, no job is too big or small for the Graphic Arts Unit. All requests processed and their accompanying results of professionalism, accuracy, and efficiency are a direct reflection of the Department’s “ Tradition of Service” motto.

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Palmdale Station began as a substation in 1992. At that time, basic patrol functions and approximately 40 personnel were transferred from the old Antelope Valley Station and moved to 5,500 square feet of storefront office space at the corner of 10th Street East and Palmdale Boulevard. In 1998, the facility was enlarged to 13,500 square feet and attained full “station” status. However, the facility lacked several features, including a jail, a secure parking lot, gas pumps, a heliport, and adequate space for the assigned personnel. To accommodate these shortcomings, arrested persons were booked at Lancaster Station, which impaired the service level in Palmdale; private and county vehicles were parked in an area adjacent to a local park and civic buildings; gas was obtained at a Department of Public Works yard; helicopter operations were conducted at any available parking lot; and assigned staff turned sideways when they passed each other in the hall.

Eventually, in May of 2004, construction began on the new Palmdale Station that will provide a significant increase in available work space for the Station’s 400 plus sworn, professional, reserve, and volunteer personnel. The main building will be 47,000 square feet, the jail 7,800 square feet, and the motor pool/storage building 4,300 square feet. Located on 11.5 acres at the corner of Sierra Highway and Avenue Q, the new $23.4 million dollar Palmdale Station began operations on June 12, 2006. With a large, spacious front lobby, the public can now be served quickly, efficiently, and comfortably. While dispatching at the old station was done from tight quarters and a less-than-efficient layout, the new Palmdale Station has a bay of desk positions available to handle the growing calls for service. The old secretariat, which once had more secretaries than desks, has been replaced by a secretariat that will accommodate a growing pool of secretaries. Detectives, along with the Partners Against Crime Team (PAC) and other investigative personnel, now have a work area that matches their needs. Traffic deputies, reserves, and civilian volunteers also have significantly more work space, enabling them to better perform their jobs.

The new secured parking area is sized to handle a sea of patrol vehicles, as well as personnel’s private vehicles. The helipad, also situated within the secure area, can easily accommodate a combination of Air 5 and AeroStar helicopters. Perhaps the function most eagerly anticipated by Palmdale and Lancaster personnel was the opening of Palmdale’s very own jail. With the addition of 12 Custody Assistants to run the jail, Palmdale Station can now perform the task of processing and housing more than 10,000 prisoners a year, a burden previously managed by Lancaster Station.

In addition to taking care of the needs of assigned personnel, the new Palmdale Station also hosts several other units. Personnel from Narcotics Bureau and Operation Safe Streets now have room to conduct their specific operations. Deputies assigned to Community-Oriented Policing (COPPS), the Crime Impact Team (CIT), Recruitment, and Hate Crimes all have work space, as do personnel from the Department of Mental Health and the County Housing Authority.

Palmdale Station’s patrol area, which includes the 105 square miles of the city of Palmdale and 665 square miles of unincorporated area, will be well-served by this new state-of-the-art facility. Utilizing Voice Over Internet Protocol, the phone system offers amazing flexibility and capabilities. Attorney and inmate visits now use video conferencing, eliminating the need for prisoner/trusty movement while retaining security. The Station jail design is the first of its kind in the state of California, making use of several booking “chutes” instead of booking “cages,” resulting in a faster processing of prisoners with enhanced security.

In addition to the very fine working conditions, the Palmdale Boosters Club outfitted the gym with top-notch weight and aerobic machines, ensuring that the personnel of Palmdale Station can maintain excellent physical conditioning to meet the rigors of their jobs.

The new Palmdale Station will proudly serve assigned personnel and Palmdale area residents efficiently and effectively for years to come!
Century Sheriff's Station was selected for the County's first Community Enhancement Team. The Community Enhancement Team concept is a new approach to providing government services to unincorporated areas. It provides a forum to prioritize issues through the perspective of the community and then develops holistic approaches to solving quality of life issues.

It brings together community leaders, local school officials, clergy members, homeowners' associations, and business associations. These community leaders work closely with management representatives from various County Departments that provide services to the area.

The Sheriff's Department is working with the Department of Public Works, the Community Development Commission, the Department of Parks and Recreations, the Office of Public Safety, the Office of the District Attorney, and the Offices of Supervisors Burke and Molina on this innovative approach to providing services. A dedicated Lieutenant serves as the Department's liaison.

By working with community leaders, the community has accepted ownership of these problems and has developed innovative approaches to solving them. The Florence and Firestone communities have embraced this new service delivery system in which they have been participating in for the last two years, and the results have been tremendous. This new approach, combined with aggressive law enforcement, has led to a 30% reduction in aggravated assaults and nearly 54% reduction in the murder rate.

The continued success of the Florence Firestone Community Enhancement Team is based on the involved County Departments' willingness to work with the Florence and Firestone community residents. Thus, a formal community group or collaboration of groups will serve as the community partner for the Florence Firestone Community Enhancement Team. They will be instrumental in continuing community support and participation on the strategies developed by the Florence Firestone Community Enhancement Team to address the various short-term and long-term issues impacting their neighborhood.

The success of this program has resulted in:
• The 2005 County of Los Angeles Productivity and Quality Award for Best Inter-Agency Cooperation.
• The 2006 Los Angeles County Peace Officers’ Association’s Community Policing Award.
• A 2006 semifinalist for the International Association of Chiefs of Police Webber Seavy Award.
La Mirada has developed a highly effective Public Safety Team involving the Sheriff’s Department, the City’s public safety officers, a city prosecutor, probation and parole officers, and a deputy district attorney. The Public Safety Team works closely together to monitor crime trends, identify problems, and take corrective action.

The City is also currently expanding the La Mirada Community Sheriff’s Station in the Civic Center to accommodate the Sheriff’s Department personnel and the entire Public Safety Team. The new facility will nearly double the size of the prior station, as 2,795-square-feet of new construction and 3,093-square-feet of reallocated space are added. The new facility will include a dedicated Emergency Operations Center, dispatch and complaint operations, a fitness room, training center, and locker areas. New parking will also be added.

Services provided by the Sheriff’s Department have expanded recently with the addition of two deputy positions: a community resource deputy, who works closely with schools and the Public Safety Team to reduce criminal activity, and a motorcycle deputy focusing on traffic safety.

Technology is another area in which La Mirada is making significant advances. The City partnered with the Sheriff’s Department in 2006 to install an Automatic License Plate Recognition (ALPR) device in a patrol vehicle. The ALPR is designed to recognize license plates from one to four separate cameras, simultaneously, through a computer processor. License plates are checked against multiple databases for wanted or stolen vehicles. When a positive match is received, deputies are alerted by an audio and/or visual alarm.

This new technology is expected to help reduce crime and enhance roadway safety.

La Mirada has also been actively researching the possibility of installing red light photo enforcement system to reduce red light violations and collisions. The La Mirada Public Safety Team is committed to maintaining La Mirada’s reputation as one of the safest communities in the region.

Innovative thinking extends well beyond the public safety area in La Mirada. The community is proud of the award-winning La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts, which produces Broadway quality shows such as Camelot, which will tour nationally this year. An extensive system of parks and athletic facilities will be expanded in 2007 with the opening of the “Splash!” La Mirada Regional Aquatics Center, a state-of-the-art aquatic facility featuring a 50-meter competition pool, a 25-yard teaching pool, and a family-fun waterpark, complete with three slides, a lazy river, and a therapy spa.

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The low-crime rate enjoyed by the City of La Mirada is the result of years of cooperation between City officials, the community, and members of the Public Safety Team.

La Mirada has grown to more than 50,000 people. The local business community boasts major industrial firms and conveniently located commercial areas. La Mirada’s extensive redevelopment efforts have resulted in new housing, upgrading of existing homes, and the attraction of major employers to the community.

La Mirada is located on the southeastern portion of Los Angeles County, bordering Orange County. Neighboring communities are: Cerritos, Santa Fe Springs, Buena Park, La Habra, and unincorporated area of Los Angeles County. Since incorporation in 1960,
Workers’ Compensation costs for the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department have been climbing at alarming rates over the past several years. During fiscal year 2003-2004, the Department spent about $103 million for workers’ compensation expenses. The problem was compounded by the fact that the Department lost about 183,000 working days from employees missing work due to injury or illness. In an effort to control costs and limit the number of days lost, the Department implemented an intensive “Return to Work” program which focuses on prevention, education, proper case management, accountability, stopping abuse, and the philosophy of accommodating all temporarily disabled employees.

One of our prevention efforts seeks to reduce back injuries by means of a unique uniform system. The police gun belt, or Sam Browne, carries most of a deputy’s safety equipment, the weight of which rests on the hips and lower back area. Back injuries account for about 20% of all on duty injuries. The Return to Work Program is testing a unique uniform system which distributes the weight of the gun belt evenly, over the entire body. If the system works as anticipated, it could save the Department millions of dollars in workers’ compensation costs and keep our employees healthy and at work.

Training for prevention efforts sought to reduce the spread of Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA) in our jail system and among employees who work there. Using experts from the medical field, our Program created a detailed training tape which educated viewers on the prevention and treatment of MRSA. The video was disseminated throughout the Department and greatly contributed to a significant reduction in the number of MRSA workers’ compensation claims. Another training resource was a slide show covering office ergonomics posted on the Department’s intranet. It has been instrumental in reducing office-related injuries.

The Department processes approximately 4,000 workers’ compensation claims a year. To facilitate proper management of these claims, our Program conducts bimonthly meetings (Top Down and Case Review) with our third party administrator, Tri-Star, our medical review contractor, Corvel, the C.A.O.’s Office, and County Counsel. The meetings target claims, which are problematic and complicated. Discussions, which include plans of action and strategies, are developed for proper case management with the ultimate goal of returning our employees back to work. These meetings are instrumental in reducing costs associated with workers’ compensation.

Since its inception three years ago, the Return to Work Program has saved the Department an average of $21 million per year in reduced workers’ compensation expenses, $18 million per year in days recovered savings, and reduced the working days lost by our employees who are off due to an injury or illness by 34.4%. The Program was recently recognized by the County of Los Angeles and awarded the prestigious Quality and Productivity Commission’s “Top Ten” Award.
The latest homeland security program to debut is the result of a two-year collaborative effort between the Special Enforcement Bureau and the Emergency Operations Bureau. The Sheriff’s Ocean Rescue Boat program began service in August and was designed to provide an LA SD homeland security presence that covers the 80 miles of Los Angeles County coast and the more than 800 square miles of open ocean within Los Angeles County.

The boat was constructed from the ground up to suit LASD’s homeland security requirements and United States Navy specifications. The boat has a comprehensive communications system that allows the crew interoperable communications with the Los Angeles Police and Fire Departments, all other police and fire departments that border the coastal areas of Los Angeles County, federal, state, and military agencies, trauma hospitals, and the Los Angeles County Medical Alert Center.

The boat has a range of several hundred miles and has the capability of staying on the scene of an incident for up to one week. It generates its own electricity, has cooking, fresh water, and refrigeration capabilities, in addition to sleeping quarters. Another unique aspect of the boat is that it is a Los Angeles County Department of Health Services certified Advanced Life Support ambulance, equipped to transport injured persons in a climate-controlled environment. The Sheriff’s Ocean Rescue boat is designed as a dive platform, capable of supporting up to 15 divers. The boat has the capability to cruise at speeds of up to 40 knots and can respond to all areas within Los Angeles County.

The Sheriff’s Ocean Rescue boat crew, along with the Arson/Explosives Detail and the Terrorist Early Warning Group, has combined efforts with the United States Coast Guard and Los Angeles Port Police to implement a very robust, proactive port and coastal security program. When the Sheriff’s Ocean Rescue crew receives notice to search a high interest vessel, they add an Arson/Explosive canine team and Coast Guard members onto the boat. The Sheriff’s Ocean Rescue crew notifies the high interest vessel via marine radio of the ship boarding. The crew then boards and inspects the ship and its crew.

Additional missions being conducted by the Sheriff’s Ocean Rescue crew include daily LAX flight path and coastline patrols, Catalina cruise ship and Catalina Express security checks and dives, coastal critical infrastructure patrols, and dive accident investigations.

Since the implementation of the Ocean Rescue Boat program, the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department has been commended by Coast Guard officials for increasing the port and coastal security of the County of Los Angeles. The residents of Los Angeles County, the entire region and, in fact, the nation is far more secure due to the addition of the Sheriff’s Ocean Rescue Boat program.
January 14, 2005, was the groundbreaking for the Los Angeles Regional Crime Laboratory, a decades-long joint project proposed by the Los Angeles City-County Consolidation Commission in 1980. This project will resolve the increasing demand for Crime Laboratory services and address the subsequent need to accommodate a growing number of city and county laboratory personnel. Through the tenacity and tireless efforts of Sheriff Baca, then-Governor Gray Davis, and then-Assembly Speaker Bob Hertzberg, financial support was obtained from the State of California.

Today, construction of the more than 209,000 square foot, $96 million facility is in its final stages on the campus of California State University, Los Angeles. Los Angeles Sheriff’s Department Scientific Services Bureau will house its DNA, Firearms, Chemical Processing, Photo/Digital Imaging, Trace Evidence, and Questioned Documents Sections in the facility. Los Angeles Police Department Scientific Investigation Division will have its firearms, crime scene investigation, clandestine labs, blood alcohol, trace analysis, arson, questioned documents, toxicology, and narcotics sections on-site. The University will house its Criminalistics Department and the California Forensic Science Institute in the building. The Criminalistics Department will offer an “in-service” training curriculum for its forensic science students giving them an opportunity for concurrent laboratory work experience. The Forensic Science Institute has secured funding from both public and private sectors for development of the training curriculum and technological enhancements. It is this unique educational and training component from an institution of higher education, along with the combination of two major law enforcement agencies, that makes this crime laboratory so unprecedented.

The building will be completed in early 2007. It is anticipated that by April 2007, the forensic disciplines from each department will be moved-in. The dedication ceremony is slated for May 11, 2007, at campus at the facility, which is located at 1800 Paseo Rancho Castilla, Los Angeles, California.
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.

This medal is awarded to persons who, when confronted by circumstances beyond the normal course of their duties, place themselves in a potential peril while performing an act of heroism or while saving or attempting to save the life of another person.

This medal is the second highest award a Department member can receive. It is awarded to persons who place themselves in an immediate peril and perform an act of heroism and/or save the life of another person.

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Deputy Glenn C. Spruill

On May 31, 2004, around 2:00 a.m., Sergeant Rick McClung was on routine patrol when he noticed a vehicle exit a parking lot and travel northbound. The driver accelerated as he turned and began to fight, losing control of his vehicle. Suspecting the driver may be under the influence of alcohol, Sergeant McClung attempted to catch up to the vehicle as it accelerated to more than 70 miles per hour.

The car drifted into a parking lane and was approaching a parked truck. The vehicle struck the parked truck with such velocity that it flew into the air, then landed on hard units tires. Sergeant McClung immediately requested paramedics and additional patrol units.

He ran to the car and saw the engine burst into flames. He could see the driver unconscious in his seat. Ignoring the threat to his own personal safety, Sergeant McClung attempted to open both the driver and passenger’s side doors, but could not do so. Sergeant McClung then ran to his radio car, retrieved a fire extinguisher, and attempted to put out the growing fire.

Deputy Kenneth Dailey arrived to assist and immediately rushed over to the burning vehicle with his fire extinguisher and fought the flames. Sergeant McClung and Deputy Dailey confirmed the driver was still alive. They remained by the vehicle and monitored the driver until the Fire Department arrived and used the “ jaws of life” to free the victim. The victim suffered serious injuries and clung to life in an induced coma before being released from the hospital two weeks later. He was expected to recover from his injuries.

For displaying reverence for human life when confronted by circumstances beyond the normal scope of their duties, placing themselves in a potential peril to save the life of another, Sergeant Rick McClung and Deputy Kenneth Dailey are awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal-Silver.

On January 31, 2005, at 5:05 a.m. in the morning, Lakewood patrol units were dispatched to a “man with a gun” call at Norm’s restaurant in the city of Bellflower, a call that was quickly updated to “shots fired.” Moments later, the dispatcher broadcast that there was now an “active shooter” gunning down victims inside the establishment.

Deputies Robert Welte, Roy Smith, Joel Rodriguez, Jason Diplock, and Salvador Rios arrived at the location within seconds of each other. With little time to plan, Welte, Smith, and Rodriguez quickly became the “entry” team, with Diplock and Rios as the “cover” team. The two teams burst into the restaurant just as the suspect exited a rear room of the location, gun in hand. The entry team fired at the suspect. Unknown to the deputies, the suspect had been hit and wounded.

Welte, Smith, and Rodriguez moved forward using cover, finding the wounded suspect on the floor. Seeing the deputies, the suspect again aimed his weapon, resulting in a second barrage of gunfire. With Diplock holding the wounded suspect at gunpoint, the others conducted a quick search of the location for other gunmen, as well as victims. Two female employees were found in the back storage area, forced there by the robber, with gunshot wounds to their legs.

For displaying great courage in the face of an immediate life-threatening peril, with full knowledge of the danger involved, Deputies Robert Welte, Roy Smith, Joel Rodriguez, Jason Diplock, and Salvador Rios are awarded the Department’s highest honor, the Medal of Valor.

On June 29, 2005, the Palmdale Station desk received several emergency phone calls advising that a man was wildly waving a handgun, had been chasing a female around the pumps of a gas station, then chased her across the street to a nearby restaurant. The woman, crying and pleading for her life, was being held hostage at gunpoint while frantic patrons fled the eatery.

Deputies Eric Metten, Theodore Knott, Mark Richardson, Randell Heberle, and Rick Manes arrived moments after the call and found that the restaurant had been evacuated, except for the suspect and the female hostage. Witnesses told the lawmen that the suspect was yelling he was going to kill her. Fearing for the safety of the hostage, the deputies quickly formed an entry team and crept inside the building to effect her rescue.

The deputies found the suspect and hostage seated in the back booth, with the suspect holding a gun to his head. The terrified woman was crying as the deputies ordered the suspect to drop his weapon. The suspect stated he was going to kill the woman and began to point the gun toward her head. The deputies opened fire, killing the suspect and saving the hostage.

For displaying great courage while placing themselves in an immediate, life-threatening peril, with full knowledge of the danger involved, Deputies Eric Metten, Theodore Knott, Mark Richardson, Randell Heberle, and Rick Manes are presented with the Department’s highest honor, the Medal of Valor.

On January 31, 2005, Deputy Spruill, along with two co-workers, Deputy Robert Armes and Richard Esquer, were enjoying lunch at a local restaurant in Montebello. They were seated at the rear booth of the restaurant, Deputy Armes dressed in full uniform and the rest of the party in business attire.

Deputy Spruill observed the suspect, later identified as a gang member, approach Deputy Armes from behind. The suspect was armed with a large machete. Suddenly, and without provocation, the suspect swung the machete toward Deputy Armes’ head. Deputy Spruill managed to shout out a warning to Armes, who was able to deflect the vicious attack with his right hand. As the suspect prepared to deliver a second strike, Deputy Spruill quickly pulled his service revolver from his jacket pocket and shot the suspect in the shoulder. Both the suspect and Deputy Armes fell to the floor bleeding.

Deputy Armes, who was severely injured from the machete blow, survived his injuries. The suspect was arrested and charged with attempt murder of a peace officer.

For quickly responding without hesitation to the horrific actions of a suspect who had every intention of seriously harming or killing a deputy sheriff, and for placing himself in potential peril to save the life of another, Deputy Glenn Spruill is awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal-Silver.
On April 11, 2005, Pico Rivera Station personnel received several calls concerning gunfire on the same street where a gang murder took place two weeks prior. Patrol cars converged on the scene, where residents provided a detailed description of both the suspect and his getaway vehicle. The suspect had driven down the street and indiscriminately fired a handgun out the driver’s side window.

Deputy John Finney was the first to see the suspect vehicle. He pulled up behind it and waited for assistance from Deputies Kenneth Mort and Michael Ramirez. As the deputies attempted to initiate a traffic stop, the suspect briefly pulled over and then quickly accelerated away. Rounding the intersection of Rosemead and Whittier Boulevards, the suspect’s car collided into a civilian vehicle and burst into flames. With thick black smoke quickly filling the interior of the car, no one could see whether the suspect was injured or setting up an ambush.

Deciding the fire outweighed any other risk, Deputy Ramirez armed himself with a fire extinguisher and approached the vehicle along with Deputies Mort, Finney, and Dominguez, who were providing cover. The extinguisher proved useless on the out-of-control blaze, but the deputies were able to see the suspect lying in the front seat and pull him out of the vehicle to safety.

For displaying great courage in the face of an immediate, life-threatening peril, with full knowledge of the danger involved, Deputies John Finney, Kenneth Mort, Michael Ramirez, and Gilberto Dominguez are awarded the Department’s highest honor, the Medal of Valor.

On August 30, 2005, at about 4:45 in the morning, the Arcadia police had responded to a family disturbance call at a residence. As they were leaving, they heard several gunshots from inside the house. Officers contacted the suspect by phone and, during their conversation, he stated he had shot and killed his wife. Additionally, the suspect threatened to take the lives of his two children asleep in the residence.

With the suspect locked inside the two-story house and protected by a burglar alarm, the Sheriff’s Special Weapons Team was called. The team quickly formed a rescue plan, after gaining the key to the back door and to the burglar alarm. After entering the house undetected, they successfully located and rescued both children. The team continued their search and found the female victim. The team paramedics worked to save the victim, but she tragically died on the scene from gunshot wounds.

As the team continued to clear the residence, they heard footsteps upstairs, and quickly positioned around the base of the stairs. The suspect was met by the deputies pointing automatic weapons at him and he quickly surrendered.

For displaying great courage above and beyond the call of duty, in the face of immediate, life-threatening peril, with full knowledge of the danger involved, Sergeant Anthony Baudino, Deputy Gerard J. Plent, Deputy Robert A. Erickson, Deputy Ralph N. Garay, Deputy Clipper L. Hackett, Deputy Michael D. Sambolich, and Deputy Tracy D. River are presented with the Department’s highest award, the Medal of Valor.

On June 24, 2005, Deputy Spracher was the first to arrive on the scene of a “deputy down” call in the city of Hawaiian Gardens. Deputy Spracher found Deputy Jerry Ortiz lying on his back and covered in blood at the front door of the location. A female standing over Deputy Ortiz stated he had been shot while standing in the doorway a few feet from where he was lying. At that time, Deputy Spracher saw the front door was closed and the window curtains drawn. Without regard for his own personal safety, Deputy Spracher entered a potential “kill zone” to assess the condition of Deputy Ortiz and saw that Deputy Ortiz’s condition was serious, his vital signs rapidly fading. He began CPR.

Deputy Garfin arrived shortly thereafter. Deputies Spracher and Garfin realized at that time that the suspect who shot Deputy Ortiz was possibly still inside the location and were in the “kill zone.” They immediately grabbed Deputy Ortiz and dragged him behind a patrol car parked on the street, while assisting deputies drew their weapons and provided cover for them.

Once at the patrol car, Deputies Spracher and Garfin re-administered CPR and asked for the arrival time of paramedics. Due to the severity of Deputy Ortiz’s wound, both deputies believed he needed immediate medical attention and decided to transport him to a local hospital. While doing so, Deputy Spracher began to lose his balance. As he began to fall, he grabbed Deputy Ortiz’s head to ensure Ortiz would not suffer any additional head trauma. This selfless act caused Deputy Spracher’s head to crash into the front guard bars of the patrol car, causing injuries to his cheek, nose and eye. Deputy Ortiz was rushed to the hospital; however, he tragically succumbed to his wound.

For displaying extraordinary heroism while doing everything humanly possible to save the life of another, with full knowledge of the risk involved, Deputies Robert Spracher and Matthew Garfin are awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal-Gold.

On March 10, 2005, Lieutenant Mark Weldon and Deputies Craig Walker, Billy Lovell, and James McGee responded to an “assault with a deadly weapon” call at the Lakewood Mall. Once there, they discovered the suspect holding a sharpened screwdriver in one hand and a 6-foot metal rod in the other, while using his body to keep a female hostage pinned behind him. Upon seeing the deputies, the suspect began jabbing and swinging the metal rod at the lawmen while yelling that he was going to kill his hostage. The deputies could see the hostage desperately clinging to the suspect’s right wrist, as if to keep him from stabbing her.

The suspect became even more enraged and unstable, lancing the screwdriver toward the female victim. She desperately grabbed at the weapon, as it moved ever closer to her neck. Lieutenant Weldon and Deputy Walker lunged at the suspect, each grabbing one of the suspect’s arms, allowing the victim to run to safety.

As the suspect attempted to break free, another fight ensued. As Lieutenant Weldon and Deputy Walker struggled with the suspect, they were assisted by Deputies Lovell and McGee. The suspect stabbed at the lawmen, causing stab wounds to Deputy Walker’s hand and temple and a deep puncture wound to Deputy Lovell’s forearm. With the help of assisting units, the suspect was finally handcuffed and taken into custody.

For acting quickly in the face of circumstances beyond the normal scope of their duties and placing themselves in potential peril while attempting to save the life of another, Lieutenant Mark Weldon, Deputies Craig Walker and Billy Lovell, and Sergeant James McGee are awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal-Silver.
In the early morning hours of August 3, 2005, Deputies Todd Sams and Scott Shinagawa responded to a call of a house fire in the city of Whittier. While en route, they received information that persons were trapped inside the house and neighbors were trying to rescue them. Upon their arrival, the deputies noted the rear of the house was fully engulfed in flames and the Fire Department had not yet arrived. Flames were arching up to 30 feet in the air and the deputies were informed by neighbors that people were still inside the location. Deputy Chavez requested additional units respond to the location and advised they were going to break out windows in an attempt to locate any victims. Once at the front door, Deputies Sams and Shinagawa were told that the owner of the house had gone back into the location to rescue his dogs, but had not yet returned. The deputies, believing the owner was possibly trapped and/or overcome by the fire, entered the front door. Due to the tremendous amount of smoke, noxious odors from burning plastic, and unbearable heat, the deputies were forced to retreat to the front yard. As they exited, they were again informed that the owner had not yet exited. Deputies Sams and Shinagawa, once again reentered the location. While attempting to locate the victim, they were advised that the owner had finally exited the location with his two dogs. Deputies Sams and Shinagawa exited the location gasping for air and coughing fiercely from smoke inhalation. They were treated at the scene by paramedics. The owner of the location was transported to a local hospital where he would survive his heat-related injuries. For placing themselves in an immediate, life-threatening peril to perform an act of exceptional heroism while attempting to save the life of another, Deputies Todd Sams and Paul Vargas are awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal-Silver.

In the early morning hours of September 6, 2005, Deputies Juan Chavez and Paul Vargas responded to Big Tujunga Canyon Road in the Angeles National Forest to investigate a report of a traffic accident with multiple victims. They discovered a vehicle had gone over the side of the road and its three teenage occupants ejected before the vehicle came to rest. Due to the remote location, the response time by emergency medical personnel would be delayed. With the victims’ lives in jeopardy, the deputies took immediate action. Using only their flashlights and the headlights from their patrol vehicle, the deputies jumped the guardrail and made their descent. They found the first victim about 50 yards off the highway, the second about 100 yards off the highway, and the third about 150 yards off the main road. The deputies quickly assessed the victims’ conditions and relayed this information to responding units. They then began to render lifesaving efforts to the most critically injured until the arrival of emergency personnel.

Once the victims had been rescued and transported, members of the Department’s Search and Rescue Team advised that the units should return to the location. They then began to render lifesaving efforts to the most critically injured until the arrival of emergency personnel.

For placing themselves in potential danger to save the lives of three teenagers, one who surely would have perished without their intervention, Deputies Juan Chavez and Scott Shinagawa are awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal-Silver.
On February 22, 2005, as Deputies Timothy Alsky and Sheila Sinclair were flying over the city of Pico Rivera patrolling the river area, they observed a female sitting on the west bank of the river. It was pouring rain, and the water was moving very rapidly. The risk of her slipping into the water was clearly evident.

They contacted the Pico Rivera Sheriff’s Station and requested units. In the meantime, they called to the female over the public address system, telling her to move away from the swift moving water. She ignored their warnings and shook her head. Her legs were now in the water, and she appeared to be getting ready to jump into the raging current.

Believing the female was attempting to commit suicide, and knowing they had to take immediate action, Deputy Sinclair, the pilot, approached her, the female laid on her back and began to slide herself into the river. She was about to be pulled away by the raging current when Deputy Alsky reached out and grabbed her arms. She struggled to pull away from him, screaming that nobody loved her and she wanted to die. During the struggle, Deputy Alsky managed to overcome the female’s resistance and pull her out of the water. The female was later transported to a local hospital for evaluation.

Deputy Timothy Alsky is awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal-Gold.

For displaying great courage in the face of immediate danger while rescuing a woman who surely would have perished, Deputy Sheila Sinclair is awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal-Silver.

In the early morning hours of December 27, 2005, Deputies Kim and Matusik were patrolling an unincorporated area of Los Angeles when they were flagged down by a truck driver who had observed a residential fire in the 2200 block of Imperial Highway.

The deputies responded to the scene where they saw an upstairs apartment fully engulfed in flames. They were informed that three people were inside the upstairs bedroom and the only exit, an interior staircase, was engulfed in flames.

The Fire Department had been notified, but was not yet on the scene.

The deputies retrieved the fire extinguisher from their radio car and began to fight the fire. At this point, the deputies saw a woman dangling her infant daughter from an upstairs window. She screamed that her brother was also inside. Deputy Matusik continued to fight the fire to clear a path so the children would not fall through the flames. This allowed Deputy Kim to rush toward the building and catch the baby, as she was falling to the ground. The woman then safely jumped from the window.

Because of the smoke coming from the window, Deputy Kim was unable to clearly see the boy. When the boy finally jumped, Deputy Kim, who was expecting a toddler and not an 80-pound, 9-year-old boy, was knocked to the ground. Injured and suffering from smoke inhalation, Deputy Kim was transported to a local hospital.

Deputy Jeffery K. Kim
Deputy Annmarie Matusik

In the late evening hours of May 6, 2005, Deputy Edward Perez was off duty at his residence when he received a call from his cousin. He asked him to check on the welfare of his mother, Rosa Salcedo, who lived 5 miles from Deputy Perez’s home. Deputy Perez was told that a relative of Ms. Salcedo had forced his way into her home, began to smoke crystal methamphetamine, and said he was in possession of a gun and not afraid of going to jail for using it. The suspect then left the location.

Deputy Perez responded to Ms. Salcedo’s home to render assistance and convinced her to contact the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department. While awaiting the arrival of a patrol unit, they heard a vehicle pull into the driveway. Believing it was the police, Deputy Perez and Ms. Salcedo walked to the front door only to discover it was the suspect. The suspect demanded entry into the residence, but was denied.

Deputy Perez noticed the patrol deputy parking. Meanwhile, the suspect had walked over to nearby bushes, retrieved a silver handgun, and placed it in his waistband. The suspect then walked toward the approaching patrol deputy, who was unaware that an armed suspect was in the area.

Deputy Perez ran out of the house, announced he was an off-duty deputy, and that the suspect was armed with a handgun. Deputy Perez grabbed the suspect from behind. The suspect broke free and reached for his silver handgun that was earlier thrown aside. At that time, the patrol deputy fired several rounds at the suspect who later died of his wounds.

Deputy Perez is awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal-Gold.

For displaying bravery while confronted by circumstances beyond the normal course of her duties and saving the life of another, Deputy Sheila Sinclair is awarded the Meritorious Conduct Medal-Silver.

In the early morning hours of October 12, 1957, Temple Station received a call from a frantic female saying there was a holdup at Woody and Eddie’s, a local restaurant. She then abruptly hung up the phone.

Assigned to the “robbery now” call were Deputy Charles Covington and Deputy Harold Blevis, who arrived at the scene within minutes. Just moments earlier, two armed suspects had confronted a restaurant employee as he closed and walked out the back door. One of the suspects struggled with the employee, then shot and dragged him back inside, where both suspects threatened to kill him if he did not provide the combination to the safe.

Realizing the danger the situation posed, Deputy Blevis jumped out of the radio car while Deputy Covington was still positioning it. Deputy Blevis rushed toward the east door of the restaurant and stopped inside. In a valiant effort to protect his partner, Deputy Covington ran toward where Blevis had unexpectedly positioned himself when he heard a gunshot. Deputy Blevis had been shot in the head by one of the suspects and died instantly.

As Deputy Covington reached the door of the restaurant, he was hit twice by 45 caliber rounds. A suspect came out the door and again fired at Deputy Covington. Deputy Covington returned fire and shot and killed the suspect only yards from where he himself was down. The second suspect was located behind the restaurant and later convicted of murder and sentenced to life without the possibility of parole.

Deputy Charles Covington is posthumously awarded the Department’s highest honor, the Medal of Valor.

Deputy Edward A. Perez
Deputy Jeffery K. Kim
Deputy Charles E. Covington

For displaying great courage above and beyond the call of duty and placing himself in potential peril to save the life of another, Deputy Edward Perez is awarded the Department’s highest honor, the Medal of Valor.
I will never forget the first time I met Pierre Bain. I was a new Captain and I had only been at Lancaster Station for two months. Pierre had transferred to Lancaster Station in June 2003. He was only on the job a few days when he was hit by a car while working as a motor deputy. After receiving the news, I raced to the hospital, not knowing what to expect. I was certainly not ready for what I saw... There was Pierre, surrounded by deputies, emergency room nurses, and other hospital employees, and everyone was laughing. Pierre was not wearing anything except the goofiest looking boxer shorts I had ever seen! He had the crowd in the palm of his hand, as usual. Without missing a beat, he turned and looked at me with what would become a very familiar smirk of a grin and said, “Hey, Cap, I figured this was the only way a new guy could get a chance to meet the Captain.” He topped his introduction off with a list only a motor officer could appreciate:

- He was not bothered by his scrapes, bruises, and road rash.
- He was annoyed his motorcycle was damaged.
- But, he was angry and vocal his motorcycle boots were damaged!

Pierre Bain was a free spirit in a career not designed to accommodate free spirits. It is a credit to his wonderful personality and incredible work ethic that he was able to bridge the considerable gap between his individuality and Department conformity. His greatest weapon in this challenge was his sense of humor.

Pierre had an incredible way of dealing with people. Despite the thousands of citations he had written, people just did not complain about him. Pierre could walk into any room filled with people and soon be the center of attention. He had the matchless gift of relating to and connecting with people from all walks of life.

Pierre Bain was one of those rare people I met in my life whose larger than life personality will ensure I never forget him. It was truly a great gift to know Pierre and have the opportunity to work with him.

Pierre’s loss has left a hole in the hearts of all the men and women from Lancaster Station. While it is a wound that will never fully heal, we do receive some comfort in sharing Pierre Bain stories, of which there are many to be told, and in remembering how fully he lived a life that was far too short.

Excerpted from Eulogy by Carl Deelely
On March 28, 2006, Deputy Maria Cecilia Rosa was tragically murdered, the victim of an attempted robbery in Long Beach. As she left for work from a friend’s home that fateful morning, she was approached in the driveway by two males who attempted to take items she was placing in the trunk of her car. In response to this attack, Maria pulled out her firearm, but it malfunctioned and she was fatally shot by one of these two cowards. She was cut down in the prime of her life, at the tender age of 30.

On September 28, 2006, formal charges were filed against two suspects in connection with the murder of Deputy Rosa. During a briefing for inmate reception center personnel that day, Captain Tim Cornell personally commended the efforts of the Long Beach Police Department and Sheriff’s Homicide Bureau for their superior work.

Maria Rosa grew up in San Luis Rio Colorado, Mexico, and came to the United States as a teenager. Maria, affectionately known to her friends and loved ones as “Ceci,” is best described as an amazing woman who was full of life. Ceci was a sister, a friend, and a motivational partner.

Ceci graduated from the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department’s Academy in November 2000. After graduation, she was assigned to the inmate reception center. She was described by her supervisors as “a self-starter” who was always willing to take on additional tasks. They described her personal relationships as her strongest attribute. It was true, and she was dearly loved by those who came in contact with her.

Ceci could not wait to go to patrol. With dreams of going to Lennox Station, she eagerly awaited notification that she would be on the next patrol transfer list. Now, Ceci will go 10-8 in the hearts of her friends and fellow classmates as they start their patrol careers. She will serve as a guiding light and see them through their various trials and tribulations on those cold, dark nights protecting Los Angeles County’s residents.

Ceci was a beautiful person inside and out. One of her friends described her as “a priceless gem to be stored away in our memories forever.” She will eternally be in our hearts as an inspiration to achieve, dream, and live life to the fullest. Until the next dance, we love you!

Written by: Those who love and miss our fallen sister, Maria “Ceci” Rosa.
In his ten years as a deputy sheriff, David was assigned to the Inmate Reception Center, Century Station, and Training Bureau. His coworkers always recognized that David was an outstanding deputy sheriff. But those same people knew David was far more than that; he was an outstanding friend, husband, father, and human being. Former and current partners talk of his constant willingness to lend a hand and make that extra effort to be a solid, dependable partner. He often talked of the joy his family gave him and the love he felt for his wife Shawna and their beautiful twin toddlers, Justin and Jordan. And he talked of the pride he felt in being a former United States Marine and current Los Angeles County deputy sheriff. It’s quite obvious that David was created to be strong, to be a leader, and, maybe most important, to serve mankind.

David, partner, brother, you were taken from us far too soon. Those of us you left behind can only feel dumbfounded by our inability to comprehend the Maker’s grand plan. We can only resolve to remember your devotion to your family, your friends, and the law enforcement mission. We will remember you and will carry on as better law enforcement officers and better human beings for having known you. Rest in the arms of God, David! Your watch has ended, your mission to serve was successful, and you have contributed much to many lives.

Excerpted from Eulogy by Lieutenant Axel Anderson

As most deputies know, once in a while a very special partner comes into our lives. We at the Training Bureau found just such a partner when Deputy David Piquette reported for duty at the Field Operation Training Unit (FOTU) two years ago. David immersed himself in his primary duties as a force trainer and soon established expertise expected only of the senior instructors. When his FOTU partners were asked to comment on David’s instruction style, a common response was, “Wow, what enthusiasm, confidence, and awesome energy!”

David particularly loved working with Department recruits. David’s reward for his hard work was simple—he loved watching his students graduate and assume their positions as society’s protectors. And he especially loved knowing that he had passed to them the many valuable skills they need in order to return safely to their families after each shift.
### Department Budget

**Final Adopted Fiscal Year 2006-2007**

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$2,156,622,000

**Less Intrafund Transfers**

$32,137,000

**Net Financing Uses**

$2,124,485,000

**Revenues**

$1,161,217,000

**Net County Cost**

$863,268,000

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**Budgeted Positions for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 (excludes student professional workers and student workers)**
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**2006 Part I Crime Clock**

**CRIMES COMMITTED EVERY 24 HOURS**

- **Larceny Theft**
  - One Larceny Theft every 15 minutes
- **Grand Theft Auto**
  - One Grand Theft Auto every 20 minutes
- **Burglary**
  - One Burglary every 14 minutes
- **Aggravated Assault**
  - One Aggravated Assault every 30 minutes
- **Robbery**
  - One Robbery every 40 minutes
- **Arson**
  - One Arson every 3 hours
- **Forcible Rape**
  - One Forcible Rape every 13 hours
- **Criminal Homicide**
  - One Homicide every 27 hours

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*2006 Preliminary Data and numbers are rounded.*
## Department Crime Activity Summary

### SYNOPSIS:
* 2006 Preliminary Data
** Percent change based on preliminary 2006 data and is subject to change once 2006 data is finalized.

### 2006 Preliminary Data

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### PART I CRIMES

#### ARRESTS

- Adult Arrests: 94,818 to 96,282, **2%**
- Juvenile Arrests: 12,761 to 12,227, **-4%**

#### TOTAL

- 107,579 to 108,509, **1%**

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A Tradition of Service
Since 1850