Horizon City Police Department

February 2025 Report

911 Communications

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INTRODUCTION

MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Horizon City Police Department to provide professional services with integrity and dedication, to preserve life, to enforce the law, and to work in partnership with the community to enhance the quality of life in the Town of Horizon City.

CORE VALUES

Integrity: The Horizon City Police Department is built upon a foundation of ethical and professional conduct. We are committed to the highest level of moral principles and ethics. All members of the department will adhere to the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics, which is a part of this manual.

- Honesty: We will be always truthful and trustworthy.
- Fairness: We are committed to equal application of the law to offenders and members of the public as well as the equal application of rules and regulations to all members of the department.
- Courage: We are dedicated to meeting all challenges with the courage needed to accomplish our mission.
- Compassion: We understand our role as community caretakers and temper our application of the law with compassion and empathy.

GOALS

- Decrease NIBRS Crimes by 10 percent.
- Increase public awareness of our department through transparency through in-person and media commination.
- Assist in developing our staff professionally by increasing training hours by 25%
- Achieve Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies Certification for Communications
- Increase our collaborative efforts with other Law Enforcement agencies.

OBJECTIVES

- Provide vigorous preventative and enforcement activities
- Focus on critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Establish and maintain strong working relationships with members of our community
- Ensure requests for service from citizens are dispatched promptly
- Ensure public safety responders are provided the necessary tactical and operational equipment and support to carry out their assigned duties
- Provide informational presentations to community members on crime related topics.

DEMOGRAPHICS

The Horizon City Police Department is comprised of 30 officers and 20 communication specialists. The Police Department are entrusted to patrol approximately 8.5 square miles and provide public safety services for approximately 22,000 residents. Our communications Division is charged with providing emergency phone and dispatch services to the Police Department and approximately 170,000 residents for Fire and Emergency Services under Emergency Management District #1 and Emergency Management District #2.

STAFFING

The Chief of Police oversees the Assistant Chief and the Communications Manager. The Assistant Chief of Police oversees the 2 Lieutenants and oversees the Detectives and other investigative personnel. The Patrol Lieutenants oversee the Patrol Sergeants. The Communications Shift Supervisors report to the Communications Manager. The Department consists of primarily Four operational divisions.

- The Patrol Division is overseen by 1 Lieutenant.
- Criminal Investigations Division overseen by a Lieutenant
- Communications Division overseen by the Communications Manager
- Support and Administrative Functions overseen by the Chief of Police

LAW ENFORCEMENT STAFFING

Law Enforcement Positions	Allotted	Current	Vacancy
Chief of Police	1	1	0
Assistant Chief of Police	1	1	0
Lieutenants	3	3	0
Sergeants	5	4	1
Corporals	2	2	0
Detectives	4	4	0
Officers	18	14	4
Crime Scene Technicians	2	2	0
Civilians	2	2	0

COMMUNICATIONS STAFFING

Communication Positions	Allotted	Current	Vacancy
Communications Manager	1	1	0
Communications Manager Assistant	1	1	0
Communications Supervisor	3	3	0
Dispatchers	13	12	1

ADMINISTRATION

BUDGET

FYU 2024 - 2025 Budget	Original Budget	Available Budget	Encumbrances	Requisitions	Percentage Remaining
PD	\$2,507,969.00	\$1,582,543.04	\$151,481.93	\$8,551.21	63.28%
Communications	\$897,741.00	\$569,568.16	\$23,742.28	\$2,248.28	63.62%

Overtime	Amount Appropriated FY 2024 - 2025	Amount Expended December 2024	Balance	Percentage Remaining
PD	\$67,500.00	\$8,428.14	\$4,020.85	5.96%
Communications	\$44,999.00	\$1,415.63	\$18,731.19	41.63%

PTO TAKEN

Pay Codes	Police Department	Communications
ОТ	202.25	142.50
Comp	56	10.75
PTO	218.50	239.75
LWO	0	18
Military	0	0
Training	818	16
Funeral	0	0
Personal	0	16
Holiday	0	0
Injury	0	0
Suspension	0	0

FUEL USEAGE

				Cpl. V.	
Sergeants	Sgt. G. Rosas	Sgt. H. Sierra	Sgt. B. Avitia	Vasquez	Total
Gas Used	47.25	18.92	68.45	59.11	193.73
Miles Driven	280	155	269	253	957
Miles Per Gallon	5.93	8.2	3.93	4.28	5.585

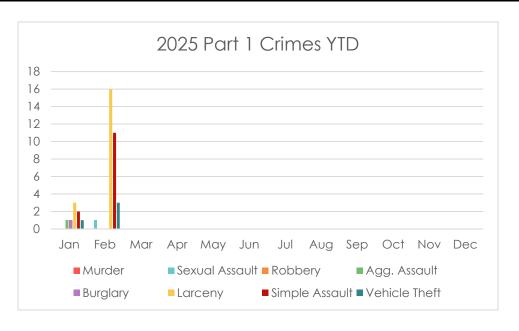
Fuel Usage Summary	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Gas Used (Gal)	279.3	1483											
Miles Driven	1682	8945											
Miles / Gallon	5.7775	6.03											

CRIME STATS

It is the goal of our Police Department to reduce NIBRS Crimes by 10 percent. Year to date, we have reported an increase in part one crimes. Our areas of increase have been isolated to property crimes. We show an 89.66% decrease overall compared to last month. Below is the chart designating our specific crime numbers.

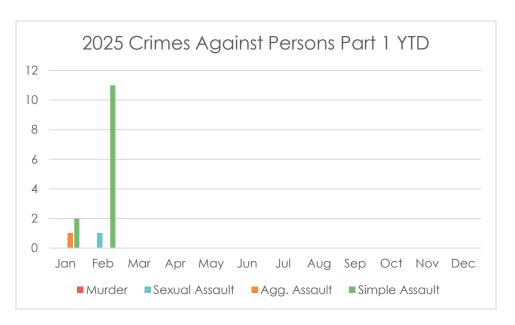
2025 PART 1 CRIMES YEAR TO DATE

Part 1 2025	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Murder	0	0											0
Sexual Assault	0	1											1
Robbery	0	0											0
Agg. Assault	1	0											1
Burglary	1	0											1
Larceny	3	16											19
Simple Assault	2	11											13
Vehicle Theft	1	3											4
Total	8	31											39



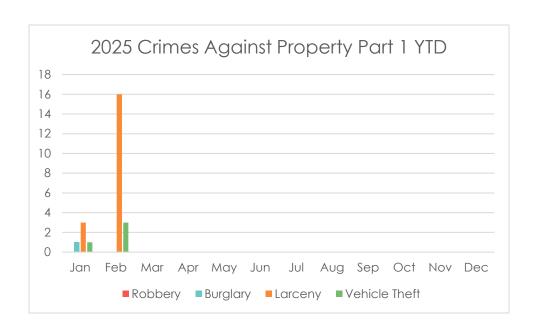
CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS PART 1 CRIMES YEAR TO DATE

Part 1 2025					May								
Murder	0	0											0
Sexual Assault	0	1											1
Agg. Assault	1	0											1
Simple Assault	2	11											13
Total	3	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15



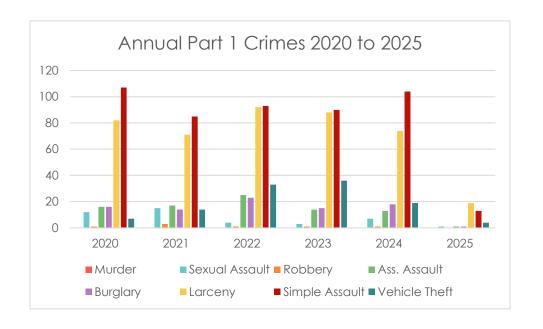
CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY PART 1 CRIMES YEAR TO DATE

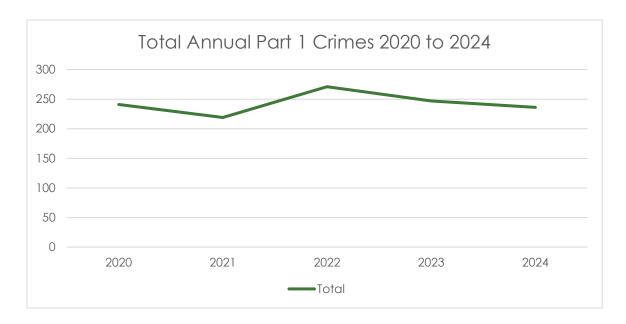
Part 1 2025	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun		Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Robbery	0	0											0
Burglary	1	0											1
Larceny	3	16											19
Vehicle Theft	1	3											4
Total	5	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24



PART 1 CRIMES 2020 TO 2025

Part 1 Crimes	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Total
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	12	15	4	3	7	1	42
Robbery	1	3	1	1	1	0	7
Ass. Assault	16	17	25	14	13	1	86
Burglary	16	14	23	15	18	1	87
Larceny	82	71	92	88	74	19	426
Simple Assault	107	85	93	90	104	13	492
Vehicle Theft	7	14	33	36	19	4	113
Total	241	219	271	247	236	39	1253





PATROL DIVISION

The Patrol Division is commanded by Lieutenant John C. Rodriguez. Daily activity data is compiled and analyzed in conjunction with our criminal investigations and crime preventive divisions. The division is comprised of 1 Lieutenant, 4 Sergeants, 3 Corporals and 12 Patrol Officers. They operate 24 hours a day 7 days a week on 12-hour shifts. The shifts and days off rotate every 56 days.

Our Data Driven Approach to Traffic and Crime Safety is our patrol strategy designed to focus on the hot spot areas for accidents and criminal incidents. Below are the hotspot locations and number of contacts charts.

TOP 5 TRAFFIC COLLISION AREAS

Locations	Crashes
Total Crashes for the Month of January	27 (2 Less than January)
Eastlake Blvd. / Horizon Mesa	3
Horizon Blvd. / N. Kenazo Ave.	3
Horizon Blvd. / N Darrington Rd.	2
N. Darrington Rd. / Ryderwood	2
S. Darington Rd. / S. Kenazo Ave.	2

TRAFFIC CONTACTS

					May								YTD Total
Sgt. Rosas	131	92											
Sgt. Sierra	33	52											
Sgt. Avitia	85	99											
Cpl. Vasquez	100												
Totals	349	315	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	664

CALLS FOR SERVICE

Monthly Calls for Service	Sgt. Rosas	Sgt. Sierra	Sgt. Avitia	Cpl. Vasquez	Totals
Dispatched Calls	214	133	242	141	730
Self Initiated Calls	241	157	206	133	737
Incident Reports	10	21	25	3	59
Crash Reports	5	11	16	8	10
Total	470	322	489	285	1566

ARRESTS YEAR TO DATE

Arrest Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Totals
Felony Arrests	4	6											10
Misdemeanor Arrests	9	8											17
Sgt. Rosas													
Felony Arrests	3	0											3
Misdemeanor Arrests	3	4											7
Sgt. Sierra													
Felony Arrests	0	0											0
Misdemeanor Arrests	2	2											4
Sgt. Avitia													
Felony Arrests	1	6											7
Misdemeanor Arrests	2	1											3
Cpl. Vasquez													
Felony Arrests	0	0											0
Misdemeanor Arrests	2	1											3

RECOGNITIONS

Sgt. Rosas would like to recognize Officers Arredondo, Garza and Venegas for their excellence and professionalism. A citizen came into the station to speak with Chief Vargas and Asst. Chief Kluge who expressed that he was impressed with their professionalism and attention to detail when they took his report.

He would also like to recognize Officers Trevino and Duarte for their swift and tactful response in capturing a subject that was in possession and control of a construction vehicle in the desert area off Claret Cup. The officers apprehended and booked the subject without further incident.

Sgt. Sierra would like to recognize Officers Heredia and Gamboa for their excellent performance in remaining proactive in keeping our citizens safe throughout their shift and for working together during his absence and while in training.

Sgt. Avitia would like to congratulate and welcome our two newest Field Training Officers, Officer D. Trevino and Officer B. Duarte. Both officers are very motivated and dedicated to the development of newly hired officers and are set to join this very rewarding assignment very soon.

Cpl. Vasquez would also like to recognize Officer Miramontes for providing excellent services to the community while conducting his investigations and for leaving no rock unturned.

On a final note, we would also like to recognize our Crime Scene/Evidence Tech, Yariana Ceballos for doing an outstanding job in preserving and processing the evidence that the officers collect in order to maintain its integrity and preparation for the court system.

PRESENTATIONS

Officer Victoria Hernandez has been helping organize community events and presentations. His training included public speaking and developing valuable crime analytic techniques which will help our agency better serve our Horizon City community by identifying patterns, suspects, and helping our patrol officers accomplish the mission of serving by creating a targeted patrol strategy.

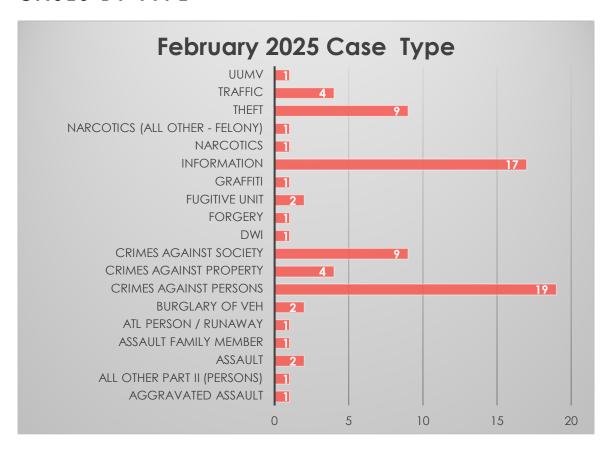
Activity Summary	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total YTD
Presentations	2	1											3

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

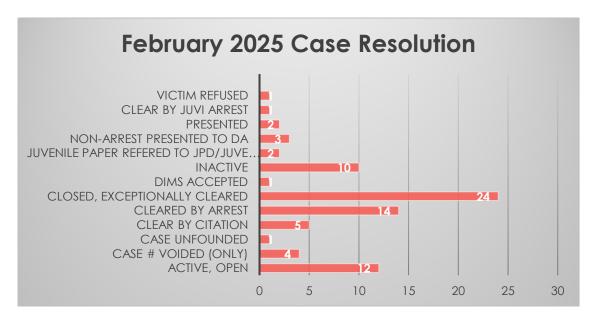
Lieutenant Kaycee Valdez leads our Criminal Investigations Division, overseeing a team of three detectives. They handle a wide range of cases, from misdemeanors to serious felonies, working diligently to collect evidence and collaborate with various partners for thorough investigations.

Lieutenant Valdez and her team are dedicated to upholding the law and ensuring community safety. Their focus spans across different criminal activities, with a commitment to justice and effective collaboration with other law enforcement agencies, forensic experts, and legal professionals.

CASES BY TYPE

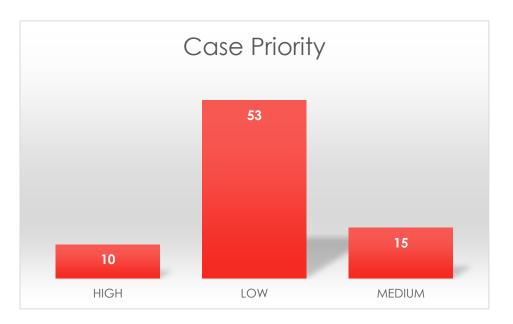


CASE RESOLUTION



CASELOAD BY INVESTIGATOR





NOTABLE ACTIVITIES FOR CID, TRAFFIC, FORENSICS & WARRANTS SECTION

Our team of detectives worked to six major cases over the month of February. The high priority investigation included three sex crimes, two crimes against children, and a theft of a motor vehicle. Our investigators were able to arrest four of the six offenders with one at large in the El Paso region and the other located in the State of New Mexico. Our highly dedicated team of investigators is recognized for their commitment to bringing justice to victims of crime.

TRAFFIC DIVISION

Officer Eric Delgadillo assumes the responsibility of enforcing commercial vehicle regulations, conducting thorough inspections to address both minor administrative discrepancies, colloquially referred to as "paper" infractions, and more significant lapses in essential safety equipment maintenance.

His contribution is instrumental in mitigating potential risks that could result in severe accidents. Officer Delgadillo's efforts contribute significantly to upholding road safety standards and ensuring compliance within the commercial transportation sector, as evidenced by his commitment to addressing and rectifying regulatory violations.

Every detailed roadside inspection can take upwards of 2 hours to complete. During the month of December, Officer Eric Delgadillo conducted 3 inspections and found 2 commercial vehicles not road worthy.

Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement	Activity Summary
Traffic Contacts	8
Written Warnings	3
Citations	19
Crash Reports	1
Criminal Reports	5
Number of Arrests	0
Hours Spent Supporting Patrol	11
Quarter Master Support Hours	12
Specialized Training Hours	4
Hours as Training Instructor	37
Hours Spent Accident Investigation	28
Hours Spent Participating in Community Events	6
Commercial Vehicle Inspections	9
Commercial Vehicles Placed Out of Service	12
Drivers Placed Out of Service	2
Commercial Vehicle Violations Found During Inspections	109
Hours Supporting Fleet Management	5

The motorcycle's nimble mobility further enables the officer to swiftly traverse the city, providing valuable assistance to fellow officers during calls for service. This enhanced responsiveness and versatility contribute significantly to our overall law enforcement capabilities and community safety efforts. The addition of a motorcycle officer has proven to be an asset in addressing dynamic situations and optimizing our resources for effective public service.

Motorcycle Traffic Enforcement	Activity Summary
Number of Traffic Contacts	0
Number of Written Warnings	0
Number of Citations	0
Number of Arrests	0
Number of Crash Reports	0
Number of Criminal Reports	0
Quarter Master Support Hours	0
Hours Spent Accident Investigation	0
Hours Participating in Community Events	0
Specialized Training Hours	0
Hours Supporting Patrol Division	0
Hours Supporting Fleet Management	0

FORENSICS UNIT

Bernadette Ortega stands out as a valuable asset to our team, taking on the role of Crime Scene and Evidence Lead with exceptional expertise. Her extensive experience positions her among the top professionals in the state, bringing a wealth of knowledge to our forensic endeavors. Working alongside her is Officer Yariana Ceballos, a sharp and meticulous investigator who plays a key role in processing evidence and analyzing crime scenes. Together, they handle everything from lifting fingerprints and analyzing trace materials to reconstructing events based on blood spatter and other forensic clues. Their combined skills ensure that every piece of evidence is carefully examined, every lead is followed, and no detail is overlooked. With Ortega and Ceballos at the forefront, the forensic team works with precision and dedication to bring clarity to every case.

Forensic Unit Responsibilities	
Activity	Hours
Training Instructor Hours	7
In Service Training Hours	32.5
Hours Spent Processing Evidence	29.5
Hours Spent Managing Evidence Room	0
Hours Spent Processing Open Records Material	22.5
Walk Ins for Fingerprints	10
Hours Responding to Active Crime Scene	10.5
Items Submitted to Laboratory for Analysis	9
Evidence Returned from Laboratory with Leads	6
Total Items returned from Laboratory	9

WARRANTS DIVISION AND BAILIFF

Officers who take on the bailiff assignment perform a multifaceted role within the law enforcement department, serving as the Court Bailiff and the Warrants Officer. Their contributions make them an indispensable member of our law enforcement team. As the primary point of contact for matters pertaining to the municipal court, convened biweekly, the officers ensure the seamless functioning of court proceedings.

Executing traffic warrants and referring arrestees to the municipal court benefits the community by enhancing public safety and promoting legal compliance. Addressing outstanding warrants ensures that individuals who might be driving illegally are held accountable, reducing the risk of traffic incidents and improving road safety. Additionally, this process encourages adherence to traffic laws, fostering a culture of lawfulness and responsibility among drivers.

The bailiff assignment has been filled this month.

SORT PROGRAM

Our SORT program is temporarily on hold as the officer assigned to it earned a promotion to detective. WE anticipate that the SORT program will resume in February/March 2025.

SORT Program Activities	Hours
Hours Dedicated to SORT Program	0
Hours Dedicated to Community Relations Program	0
Hours Dedicated to Patrol Support	0
Hours Dedicated to Investigation	0
Hours Dedicated to Fleet Support	0
Hours Dedicated to Specialized Training	0
Hours Dedicated to Specialized Teams	0

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

The Communications Division is a vital component of public safety, managing emergency and non-emergency calls for the Horizon City Police Department (HCPD) and Emergency Services Districts (ESD) #1 and #2. Led by Communications Manager Elva Ramos, the division includes 1 Communications Assistant, 3 Shift Supervisors, and 13 Communications Specialists who ensure efficient response times and operational effectiveness.

RESPONSE TIMES

Response Times	Average Call to Arrival	Average Dispatch to Arrival	Actual	Target
Priority 1-3 Pending to Arrival less than or equal to 8 minutes	0:05:30	0:03:36	100.00%	90.00%
Priority 4-6 Pending to Arrival less than or equal to 12 minutes	0:12:26	0:07:29	97.84%	80.00%
Priority 7-9 Pending to Arrival less than or equal to 15 minutes	0:17:05	0:09:42	86.34%	70.00%

HORIZON POLICE CALLS FOR SERVICE

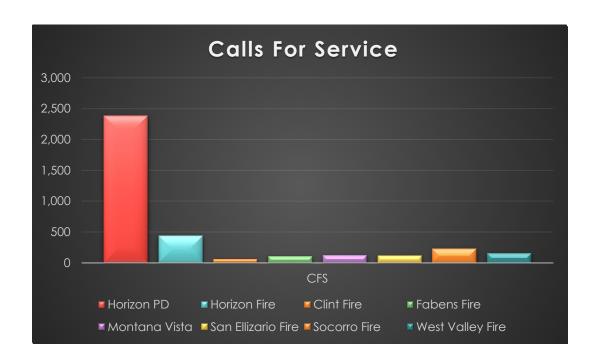
	Dispatched	Self- Initiated	Mobile Date Terminal Calls	Total
Horizon Police	1371	830	186	2387

ESD 1 CALLS FOR SERVICE

	Alarm	Assist	Brush Fire	Car Fire	Water Gas Leaks	Medical	MVA	Structure Fire	Total
Horizon Fire	42	21	12	0	17	282	63	5	442

ESD 2 CALLS FOR SERVICE

	Alarm	Assist	Brush Fire	Car Fire	Water Gas Leaks	Medical	MVA	Structure Fire	Total
Clint	0	1	5	1	0	48	4	1	60
Fabens	2	4	11	2	1	81	6	1	108
Montana Vista	4	6	10	1	5	84	9	1	123
San Elizario	4	13	4	0	4	80	10	2	117
Socorro	9	13	8	1	11	161	27	3	233
West Valley	6	12	4	0	6	114	17	2	161
Total	34	49	42	5	27	571	73	10	811



TCIC/TLETS Full Access

Sasha Gonzalez and Dalila de la Torre attended the three-day TCIC/TLETS Full Access Course held at the Socorro Police Department. The course is designed for operators who carry out



all TCIC/NCIC tasks, such as inquiry, entry, modification, clearing, canceling, and III functions. It also includes training on navigating databases linked to the TLETS system, including administrative messages, driver licenses, vehicle registrations, and guidance on proper procedures for state and nationwide broadcasting.

Emergency Medical Dispatch

Mirna Sierra, Robert Herrera, and Sonya Dozier attended the three-day Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD)



held at the El Paso Regional Communications Center. EMD is a system in which trained telecommunicators handle medical emergency calls. They assess the situation by asking targeted questions, determine the urgency of the call, send the necessary medical response, and give life-saving instructions to the caller until assistance arrives.

Nominations

We would like to recognize Ericka Gonzalez and Dalila De la Torre for their exceptional dedication and contributions. Ericka consistently goes above and beyond to support her coworkers, creating a positive and collaborative work

environment. Dalila demonstrates professionalism and commitment by volunteering for tasks such as typing the daily report and entering code watches, ensuring accuracy and efficiency. Both are invaluable assets to our team, and we greatly appreciate their hard work.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Career Day - Carroll T. Welch Elementary - February 21, 2025

On February 21st, our agency had the privilege of participating in a career day event at Carroll T. Welch Elementary. Officers from various divisions within the agency, including Traffic Enforcement, Patrol, Criminal Investigations, and even Assistant Chief Jose Kluge, were present to engage with the students. During the event, officers demonstrated the process of recovering latent fingerprints at crime scenes, giving the children a unique, hands-on opportunity to experience a procedure often featured in their favorite movies.



