

WORKING TOGETHER TO PROTECT THE FUTURE

# 2004

## ANNUAL REPORT

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in our city



SACRAMENTO POLICE DEPARTMENT



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## CITY OF SACRAMENTO CALIFORNIA

**HEATHER FARGO**  
MAYOR

March 2005

As Mayor of the City of Sacramento, I consider it a privilege to be asked to contribute a few remarks to the Police Department's Annual Report. I'm sure I speak for the City when I say we are very proud of the dedication of the Police Department's men and women who strive to protect and serve us.

Over this past year, due to the leadership of Chief Albert Najera, our Police Department has grown to become one of the most high-tech police organizations in the world, a feat that has only improved their capabilities and effectiveness.

In review of 2004, it is important to remember where our Police Department has come from as far as improvements and accomplishments as well as to looking forward to more in this coming year. As a citizen and the Mayor of Sacramento, I deeply appreciate the continued sacrifice of the great men and women of our Police Department.

Sincerely,

**HEATHER FARGO**  
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### A Message From the Chief

As Chief of Police for the City of Sacramento, it is an honor and a pleasure to present the 2004 Annual Report on behalf of the Sacramento Police Department. Last year was an extremely busy and challenging year for our Department. We have accomplished a number of important goals, including the transformation of our Department into one of the world's most high-tech police organizations. The new technology provides front-line officers and managers with the necessary tools to fight terrorism and crime more efficiently.

The Department has been one of the leading agencies in the regionalization plan for the Sacramento area, and has been recognized nationwide for their coordinated efforts. During 2004, the Department's multi-agency Office of Emergency Services and Homeland Security provided domestic preparedness and weapons of mass destruction training to approximately 5,700 first responders from 57 agencies.

The new technology and training was utilized when the Department had the privilege of being a major participant in providing security for the 2004 Olympic Track and Field Trials in Sacramento. Planning for the security of the event began approximately two years prior in order to provide an event participants and fans could enjoy without incident.

At the same time, the men and women of the Sacramento Police Department, through their dedication and professionalism, have continued to work in partnership with the members of this community to fight crime and enhance our quality of life.

As we reflect on our accomplishments of 2004, let us also remember the members of our law enforcement family who continue to protect our future at home and abroad.

I want to express my appreciation and deep pride in the willingness of the members of this Department to meet the challenges of each new year with commitment, courage, and integrity.

Sincerely,

  
ALBERT NÁJERA  
Chief of Police

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## Mission Statement

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# Planning for the Future – 2005 Outlook



Chief Nájera

## Office of the Chief

The Office of the Chief is responsible for developing and communicating the vision of the Department. This Office plans, organizes, and directs all Department activities. In the Office of the Chief, there are two deputy chiefs, two captains and two civilian managers. One captain is responsible for the Internal Affairs Section and the Professional Standards Unit. The other captain is responsible for the Fiscal and Economic Development Sections, Criminal Intelligence Unit, Media Relations Office, Legislative Affairs, and the administrative staff.

One deputy chief manages the Office of Operations and Office of Investigations. The other deputy chief manages the Office of Technical Services, and Office of Emergency Services and Homeland Security.



Deputy Chief Segura

## Office of Operations

The Office of Operations is responsible for Patrol, Problem Oriented Policing (POP), Neighborhood Crime Prevention, and the Metro Division. The Metro Division is comprised of specialty units such as Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT), Parole Intervention Team (PIT), Air Operations, Traffic, Canine (K-9), Bikes, Regional Transit Police Services (RTPS), Marine, Mounted, Explosive Ordinance Detail (EOD-Bomb Squad), and Reserves. This Office has three captains who are responsible for the six patrol sectors and the Metro Division. The Office of Operations makes up the largest segment of the Sacramento Police Department with more than 500 sworn positions.

## Office of Investigations

The Office of Investigations is responsible for developing information leading to the arrest of criminal offenders, preparing cases, recovering stolen property, investigating crime scenes, tracking and investigating gang-related activities, providing school resource officers, locating missing persons, addressing family violence issues, prostitution, gambling, and drug enforcement. The Office has two captains and three lieutenants who oversee the Special Investigations Division and the Detective Division (Major Crimes, Property Crimes, and Forensic Identification).



Deputy Chief Braziel

## Office of Technical Services

The Office of Technical Services is responsible for the auxiliary functions that support the Police Department's line units. The Office has three captains and six civilian managers who oversee the Personnel and Training, Communications, and Technology and Information Services Divisions. The Technology and Information Services Division includes Records, Data Services, Fleet/Supply, and Crime Analysis. In addition to personnel and police academy functions, the Personnel and Training Division includes Media Services, Property, the Regional Community Policing Institute – Sacramento, and the Background Unit.

## The Office of Emergency Services and Homeland Security

The Office of Emergency Services and Homeland Security is a multi-agency, multi-jurisdictional office that is responsible for coordinating Homeland Security and Urban Area Security Initiative grants, conducting regional threat and vulnerability assessments, developing regional and agency terrorism response plans, coordinating and conducting regional interdisciplinary terrorism response training, and designing and coordinating training exercises. One captain and one lieutenant manage this Office. The Office is also a major portion of the Sacramento Terrorism Early Warning Group (TEWG) that is responsible for the collection, analysis, and dissemination of information related to terrorism.

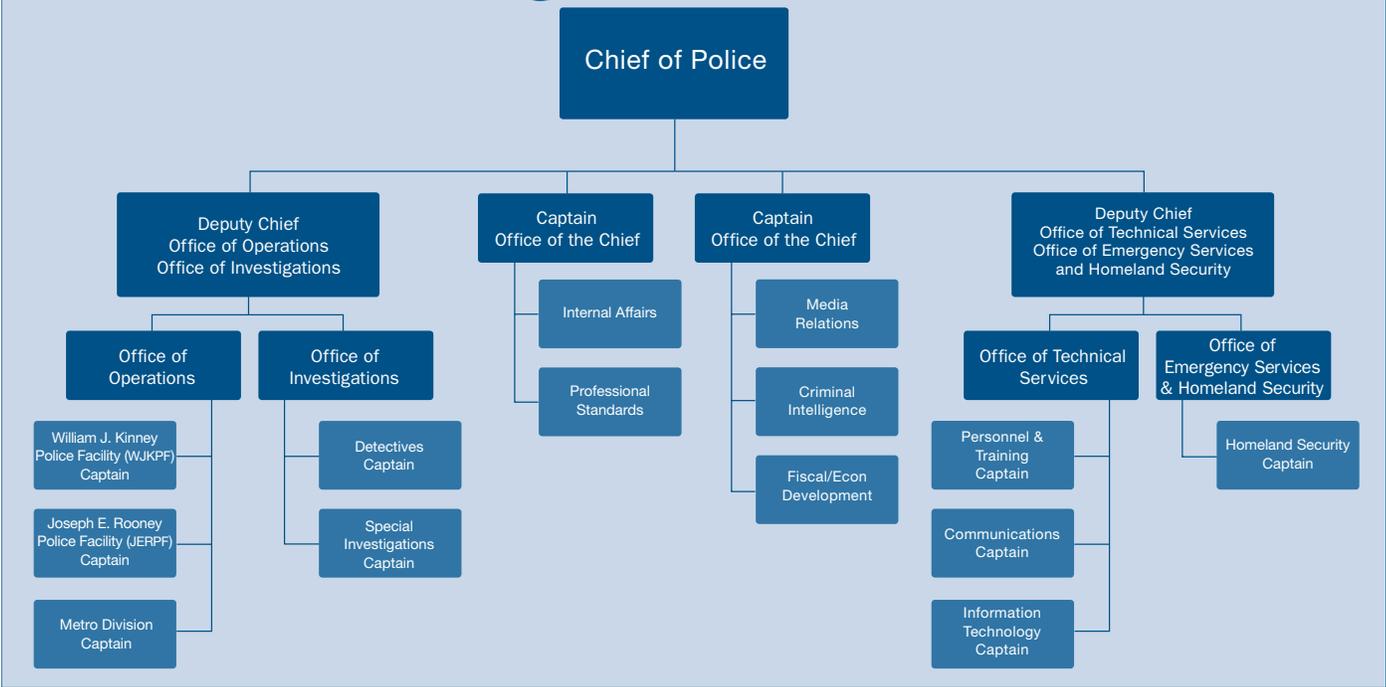


## New Facilities and Equipment

### 9-1-1 Dispatch and Training Center Update

The Sacramento Police Department's new 911 Dispatch and Training Center is scheduled to open in the fall of 2006. Groundbreaking on the \$23 million dollar, state-of-the-art facility occurred in September of 2003.

# 2005 Organizational Chart

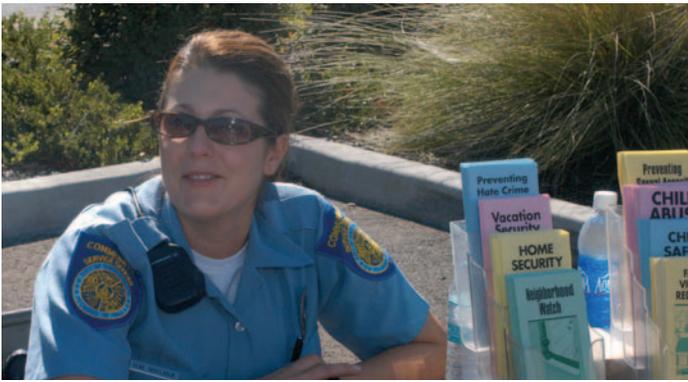


## Financial Overview

### Total Operating Budget – \$107 million

- Office of the Chief – \$6 million
- Office of Operations – \$54 million
- Office of Investigations – \$20 million
- Office of Technical Services – \$26 million
- Office of Emergency Services and Homeland Security – \$1 million

### New Grants – \$25.5 Million



### Personnel – 2004 Authorized FTE

Source: PSD Personnel Report – January 2005

Chief	1.0
Deputy Chief	2.0
Captain	11.0
Lieutenant	23.0
Sergeant	92.0
Officer	609.0
Fire Battalion Chief	1.0
Fire Captain	1.0
<b>Total Sworn</b>	<b>740.0</b>
<b>Total Civilian</b>	<b>382.0</b>
<b>Total Part-Time Non-Career</b>	<b>26.7</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1148.7</b>

### Personnel – 2004 Non-Career/Volunteer

Source: PSD Personnel Report – January 2005

Reserve Dispatcher	11.0
Reserve Records Asst.	4.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>15.0</b>
<b>Volunteers</b>	<b>82.0</b>
<b>Reserve Officer</b>	<b>21.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>103.0</b>

### Employee Demographics

Source: Sworn Staffing Report

SWORN	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
White	416	89	505
African American	33	5	38
Hispanic	70	7	77
Asian	62	3	65
Native American	4	3	7
Filipino	11	0	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>703</b>

Count of Employees not FTE

### Employee Demographics

Source: Civilian Staffing Report

CIVILIAN	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
White	71	164	235
African American	6	34	40
Hispanic	9	43	52
Asian	8	25	33
Native American	0	1	1
Filipino	1	1	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>363</b>

Count of Employees not FTE

### Percentage of Filled Strength

SWORN	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
White	59.17%	12.66%	71.83%
African American	4.69%	0.71%	5.40%
Hispanic	9.96%	1.00%	10.96%
Asian	8.82%	0.43%	9.25%
Native American	0.57%	0.43%	1.00%
Filipino	1.56%	0.00%	1.56%
<b>Total</b>	<b>84.77%</b>	<b>15.23%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### Percentage of Filled Strength

CIVILIAN	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
White	19.56%	45.18%	64.74%
African American	1.65%	9.37%	11.02%
Hispanic	2.48%	11.85%	14.33%
Asian	2.20%	6.89%	9.09%
Native American	0.00%	0.28%	0.28%
Filipino	0.27%	0.27%	0.54%
<b>Total</b>	<b>26.16%</b>	<b>73.84%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



# Building a Workforce for the Future

## Recruitment & Training

### Recruiting a Diverse Workforce to Meet the Needs of the Future

The Sacramento Police Department strives to reflect the diversity of the community. Through the Community Recruiter Campaign, the Department is reaching out to the community in search of qualified police officer candidates. Recruiters participated in a variety of cultural events during the year, including the Black Exposition, Slavic Community Dinner, Festival de La Familia, and Asian Pacific Rim Festival.

In an effort to improve the hiring and academy process, a Pre-hire Program was established so cadets (new hires) could become familiar with the Police Department's culture prior to entering the police academy. A new position (police recruit) was also created to allow applicants who do not currently meet the police cadet qualifications (i.e., age and education) to gain experience.

### Annual Law Enforcement Expo/Female Fitness Challenge

The Sacramento Police Department held its first Law Enforcement Expo/Female Fitness Challenge in 2004. The event was designed to encourage women to consider a career in law enforcement and will be held annually. It marked the commencement of the 12-week Female Fitness Challenge, which included over 175 applicants.

### Recruiting Efforts

Law Enforcement Orientation Workshops – 4  
(total attendance – 222)  
Recruiting Events – 33  
Website Requests for Applications – 507  
Telephone Requests for Applications – 1,104  
Exams Conducted – 400  
Background Checks Completed – 300

### Police Academy Provides Professional Training to Officers

The Sacramento Police Department prides itself on providing its employees with a high level of training. The Department conducts its own academies for police officers, community service officers (CSO's), dispatchers, and records assistants. During 2004, the Sacramento Police Basic Academy trained and promoted 51 recruits to police officers. After graduating from the academy, the new police officers are assigned to a Field Training Officer (FTO) who supervises and evaluates them during their field training. During 2004, FTO's trained 71 new officers. Both the FTO's and the trainees took an active role in the security at the 2004 Olympic Track and Field Trials.

## Regional Transit Police Completed Officer Exchange Program

Regional Transit Police completed an Officer Exchange Program with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Transit Unit. The program allows law enforcement personnel to view procedures and exchange ideas regarding transit enforcement. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department sent a sergeant and three deputies to Sacramento for one week in exchange for a Sacramento police officer and one Sacramento County Sheriff's deputy.



## SWAT Training Hours

Range – 150  
Tactics – 210  
Specialty School – 220  
U.S. Olympic Track & Field Trials – 50



## Did You Know?

- Sergeant Tim Hunter gave a hostage negotiation presentation at the International Conference on Negotiation Tactics against Hijacking, Taking Hostages and Violence. The Conference was held in Beijing, China at the Beijing People's Police College (BPPC). Sergeant Hunter provided the airfare and BPPC provided the accommodations and hospitality.
- The Homeland Security Working Group conducted a training exercise with USAA insurance for approximately 200 people.
- The K-9 Unit hosted a Western States Police Canine Association sanctioned K-9 trial in Sacramento at Crocker Park. The trial consisted of narcotics search, explosives search, and patrol functions.
- The In-Service Academy hosted the Cooper Institute's Physical Performance Test training during October. The Cooper Institute is training Sacramento Police Department officers to be proctors for the Physical Performance Test.
- East area POP officers instructed Basic Community Oriented Policing and Problem Solving (COPPS) and advanced COPPS for (POP) officers in Monterey, San Bruno, Modesto, Davis, and Sacramento.
- East area POP officers coordinated with the Air Resources Board to provide training on Vehicle Emissions Tampering. The training will assist officers in addressing street racing.
- East area POP Officers assisted SMUD in developing a training video about security lighting.
- The Media Services Unit developed the template for video helicopter operations training that has been reviewed by numerous agencies. One other agency is already using the template, which is designed to make the use of air operations by ground units more efficient and effective.
- The Regional Community Policing Institute – Sacramento (RCPI) is a federally funded unit that has specialized in providing unique training throughout its 48-county region since 1997. In 2004, the RCPI provided instructional and curriculum development assistance to POST for the introduction of the "POST Police Training Officer" Course to California law enforcement agencies. As a result of RCPI activities, approximately 1,200 California law enforcement and community members were trained in 2004. In 2005, RCPI will be incorporated into SPD's Office of Emergency Services and Homeland Security, where it will play a key role providing outreach and collaboration with communities throughout the region.





# Building Relationships for the Future

## Community Involvement | Giving Back

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Celebration Event

The Sacramento Police and Fire Departments hosted the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Celebration Event in September. Local community members had an opportunity to get a close-up look at police and fire equipment, take part in the Community Business Fair, gather important neighborhood information, observe safety demonstrations, and take part in children's activities.

### Tip-A-Cop Events Support Special Olympics

The Sacramento Police Department participated in several Tip-A-Cop fundraising events throughout the year where uniformed officers and dispatchers raised almost \$7,500 to benefit the Special Olympics.

### South Area POP Officers Participate in NBA's Read-to-Achieve Program

The NBA's Read-to-Achieve program helps young people develop a life-long love for reading and encourages adults to read regularly to children. POP officers provided security for the Sacramento Kings and the Sacramento Monarchs at the events.

### Christmas Project

Administrative CSO's spearheaded the Department's Christmas Project by raising money and soliciting donations from Department employees, community members, and businesses. The donations provided nine families with an entire "Christmas Experience" which included trees, gifts, stockings, food, and Christmas cards with prepaid postage. Representatives from the business community and POP officers citywide joined in to help play Santa.

Administrative CSO's also delivered ornaments donated by Department employees to local senior citizen homes. The seniors were treated to Christmas carols, cards, and candy canes.

The Children's Receiving Home received special attention as members of East POP, Sacramento Fire Department, and the U.S. Army's 1-104 Infantry Division delivered donated toys to over 100 children ranging in age from 2 to 17.

### Project Outreach Provides Assistance to Homeless

Project Outreach handled 262 referrals, assisting the homeless with housing, job training, counseling, and medication through partnerships with other support agencies.

### Central POP Officers

Camping Citations – 433  
Parolee Arrests – 103

### CSO's Assist Apartment Managers Group in Reducing Crime

An Apartment Managers Group was formed in Northwest, Sector 1, in an effort to reduce crimes related to multi-housing communities. The Administrative CSO's introduced the concept of Crime Free Multi-Housing. This concept encourages communication and the promotion of uniform standards in tenant screening.

### Forensic Identification Division Trains Interns from University of New Haven

Twelve students from the University of New Haven's Masters in Forensics Program took part in a six-month Student Intern Academy. The students gained valuable experience working in the various units of the Sacramento Police Department's Forensic Identification Division.

### Boy Scouts of America Take Part in Mock Crime Scene Investigation

The Forensic Identification Section assisted members of the Boy Scouts of America, Troop One, in earning their merit badges in fingerprinting. The scouts participated in a hands-on learning experience by creating a mock crime scene.

## Did You Know?

- In February 2004, the Sacramento Police Department hosted the Western Regional Racially Biased Policing Summit, which brought together 150 individuals from law enforcement agencies, various communities and research leaders from across the nation to discuss approaches that help communities address racially biased policing.
- Officers provided security for dignitaries such as former President George Bush, Presidential candidates John Kerry and John Edwards, and State Supreme Court Justices.
- Project Child Safe and the Administrative CSO's worked together to handout approximately 1,200 gun safety locks.
- The Bike Unit provided bike-helmet safety classes for children in the community.
- Administrative CSO's provided training in loss prevention, report writing, personal safety, and workplace violence to retail businesses throughout the City.
- Administrative CSO's conducted approximately 80 neighborhood watch meetings and approximately 35 elementary and adult school presentations on topics such as neighborhood watch, stranger safety, drug awareness, canine safety, and personal safety.



# Crime Prevention and Problem Solving

## Sacramento Crime Alert Continues to Assist Local Law Enforcement

The Sacramento Crime Alert was formed in 1981. The program was designed to provide an avenue for callers to report information about unsolved crimes while remaining anonymous. In 2004, the program received 1,680 calls and 838 tips, which solved 4 murders, 2 attempted murders, 2 bank robberies, 2 robbery series, 2 financial crimes, and 1 chop shop crime. Crime Alert tips also were responsible for the recovery/seizure of \$42,240 in property and \$4,520 in drugs.

## Resource Officers and Administrators Enhance School Safety

The Sacramento Police Department's School Resource Officers (SRO) and the Sacramento City Unified School District (SCUSD) are committed to reducing crime and making campuses safe so students can concentrate on being successful in school.

SCUSD comprehensive high schools experienced a significant reduction in crime overall. District statistics for September and October of 2004, showed police made 57% fewer arrests and validated 60% fewer gang members compared to the same time period in 2003. The reduction in crime reflects a nationwide trend.

The Connection (SCUSD 2004) quoted Sergeant Ron Soohoo as contributing the success of the program "to the strong working relationship between school sites, (school resource officers) to come up with effective strategies. A supportive administration, informed staff, and involved students have all joined to change the environment on their campuses."

## Financial Crimes Hot Line

The Financial Crimes Unit established the "Financial Crimes Hot Line" in an effort to better address the immediate needs and concerns of the community. Individuals can call (916) 808-0543 to get information about their cases and ask questions about credit card fraud, identity theft protection, and tips on avoiding frauds.

## EOD Provides Training to Outside Agencies

EOD instructed a variety of classes for local, state and federal government, and private sector agencies. Participants received training in First Responder Awareness, Explosive Recognition, Military Ordinance Recognition, Bomb Threat Search Procedures, Vehicle Bomb Indicators, and Suicide Bomber/Terrorist Tactics.

## Explosive Ordinance Detail (EOD)

EOD-Related Incidents – 157, including:  
Critical Incident SWAT Requests – 6  
Robot Requests – 8  
Felony Arrests – 8  
Crime & Incident Reports – 95

## Communications Emergency Response Team (CERT) Continues to Make Great Strides

CERT hosted the inaugural meeting of the California Tactical Dispatcher Association. Over 100 public safety dispatchers, officers and administrators from 50 agencies statewide, attended the event. The Team responded to over a dozen call-

outs and assisted with major events in Sacramento throughout the year, including the 2004 Olympic Track and Field Trials.

## Regional Transit Police Services (RTPS) Organization/Personnel Enhancements

A Transit Officer Detail within RTPS consists of 16 transit officers. Uniform security guards, contracted by Regional Transit, have been moved to RTPS. In addition, a Technology and Video Technician position was added to the unit. The technician is responsible for the retrieval of the videos from buses and light rail trains for court or other administrative purposes. These changes will enable the RTPS to provide better protection to passengers and provide remote surveillance/recording of certain light rail stations.

## Regional Transit Police Service

Felony Arrests – 272	Bus Calls – 1,282
Misdemeanor Arrests – 603	Reports – 1,078
Parking Citations – 90	Riding Light Rail Vehicles – 1,584 hours
Traffic Citations – 840	Riding Bicycles – 303 hours
640 PC Citations – 1,877	
Light Rail Calls – 6,929	

## Volunteer Programs

### Student Problem Identification and Resolution of Issues Together (SPIRIT)

In March of 2004, the Sacramento Police Department, U.S. Department of Justice, and the California State Attorney General's Office conducted a pilot program at C.K. McClatchy, John F. Kennedy, and Hiram Johnson High Schools. The program is designed to assist school administrators in gaining insight into student perceptions of racial problems.

School administrators selected 200 participants from the three high schools to attend the two, half-day workshops. A follow-up session has been developed to sustain the positive progress of the 2004 SPIRIT Program.

### Volunteers Provide Valuable Service to the Police Department and Community

Volunteers in Policing consist of citizens from many walks of life. Some volunteers donate their time to gain work experience while other volunteers just want to help the Police Department make a difference in their community.

Volunteers work in offices, or as members of the Volunteers In Police Services (VIPS) patrol. VIPS can be seen patrolling the City streets in their PT Cruisers and providing multiple support services. During 2004, the volunteers worked a total of 10,862 hours.

The Reserve Unit is another important part of the Volunteer Program. The Reserve Unit volunteered 2,066 hours last year, which included 546 hours transporting prisoners and 135 hours for school presentations, training, vice/narcotics operations, and a variety of other special events. These volunteer hours saved the Department and City over \$100,000.



# Protecting the Future

## Neighborhood Crimes Unit (NCU) Implemented

The Sacramento Police Department launched four NCU's in January of 2004. These units, deployed out of the Office of Investigations, are responsible for responding to emerging crime series and patterns as well as other types of crimes that affect the quality of life in Sacramento. The objective of NCU is to work in partnership with the various internal units of the Department to respond quickly and effectively to the needs of the community. During its first month of existence, NCU solved a carjacking series, a commercial robbery series, and two burglary series. The NCU's have continued this rate of success by solving more than 21 crime series throughout the year, proving to be a highly effective crime-fighting tool for the Sacramento Police Department.

## Detective Joins Sacramento Valley Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement Task Force

Detective Vonda Walker joined the Sacramento Valley Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE) Task Force. SAFE established a statewide, proactive investigative catalyst to coordinate and encourage law enforcement agencies to proactively pursue sexual predators who are involved in luring children into unlawful sexual conduct using the Internet. The Task Force consists of the Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigations, Sacramento Police Department, Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, Sacramento County District Attorney's Office, U.S. Postal Inspectors, Immigration Customs Bureau, and the U.S. Attorney General's Office.

## Bait Car Program a Success

The Sacramento Police Department arrested numerous car thieves through the Bait Car Program. The program uses a Geographic Positioning Satellite (GPS)-monitored bait car

that is deployed into a problematic area. When the unwitting suspect(s) steal the bait car, a dispatcher in our Communications Center receives an alarm. The dispatcher can then turn the bait car engine off and lock the doors, preventing the suspect(s) from escaping until officers arrive on the scene. The cars are equipped with a mechanical speed limiter that keeps the speed of the bait cars to a minimum and protects against high-speed pursuits. The bait cars are a valuable tool in auto theft arrests and a deterrent to crime.

## Detectives Interrupt Midtown Robbery

During the month of October, the midtown area was plagued with numerous strong-arm robberies that occurred over a two-week period. The suspects were targeting pedestrians as they walked along the sidewalk. The Neighborhood Crimes Unit detectives saturated the midtown area with undercover investigators, ultimately arresting all of them.

## Detectives Arrest Suspects in Pizza Restaurant Robberies

In a joint effort by multiple agencies, suspects responsible for committing numerous restaurant robberies in the cities of Sacramento, Elk Grove, Stockton, Oakland, the East Bay area, and Sacramento County were apprehended. Many of the robberies were of pizza restaurants that dated back to 2000.

## Agencies Work Together to Meet the Needs of the Community

The Financial Crimes Unit reached agreements with Adult Protective Services, the Postal Inspector's Office, Secret Service, Federal Bureau of Investigations, and the District Attorney's Office

to provide on-site personnel to assist, and work side-by-side with detectives to efficiently solve cases and meet the ever-growing needs of the community. The Financial Crimes Unit recovered \$1.5 million dollars in cash and property during 2004.

## Forensic Specialist Joins Financial Crimes Unit

Forensic Specialist, Detective Richard Gilleland joined the Financial Crimes Unit in an effort to work more closely with the Regional Identity Theft Task Force. This allowed the detectives to have better access and opportunity to complete forensic examinations on computers, laptops, Personal Data Assistants (PDAs), and other hi-tech devices used by criminals.

## DNA Used to Solve Cold Cases

DNA has become an increasingly crucial tool in identifying suspects in cases that otherwise would not be solved. It has also helped link cases within Sacramento, the region, and sometimes nationwide. A suspect was arrested in New York for an attempted rape that occurred in Sacramento. Using DNA samples, the suspect was linked to burglaries and other sexual assaults that occurred in the cities of Sacramento, Palo Alto, New York, Sacramento County, and the state of Illinois. Over 39 hits have been received from the Sacramento County Crime Lab from DNA samples. These hits have resulted in 11 arrests and 6 cases cleared.

## Sacramento City Police and County Sheriff's Air Support Units Join Forces

The Sacramento Police Department and the Sacramento County Sheriff's Air Support Units have joined forces to provide airborne law enhancement services on a regional basis. A cooperative flight schedule was established in order to utilize airborne assists in the most efficient manner possible. The flight schedule increases the overall flight coverage to the Sacramento Metropolitan region by 5 hours a day without any corresponding increased costs. The flight schedule eliminates duplication of services by preventing situations where both helicopters are in the air or on the ground at the same time. Aircrews from both agencies respond to calls for service in the City and County based on need, not jurisdiction.

## Air Support Unit Implements Safer Pursuit Technique

The Air Support Unit implemented the surveillance-mode pursuit technique. This technique requires that ground units discontinue their active pursuit of the suspect vehicle at which time the helicopter takes over and relays the direction of the suspect vehicle. Ground units remain out of sight of the suspect, paralleling the direction, and moving in when the suspect stops and exits the vehicle. The technique allows pursuits to be conducted in a much safer manner for both officers and citizens.

## Air Operations

Flight Hours - 1,862  
Total Events with Air Response – 5,189  
Calls Handled/Canceled by Air – 456  
Outside Agency Assists – 652  
Lo-Jack Vehicles Located – 27  
Homeland Defense Checks – 414

## Police and Local Business Work Together To Impact Area Prostitution Problems

Area motels and businesses worked cooperatively with South area POP officers and the Vice detectives to target johns and prostitutes in both the City and County. The cooperative effort has had a positive impact on reducing prostitution.

## North Area POP Teams Reduce the Number of Calls for Service

The North area POP teams conducted several abatement projects, which included several multi-family housing units. In the three-month period prior to abatement letters being sent, these types of properties were responsible for 234 calls for service. Since the abatements, the calls for service were reduced between 82 and 85 percent.

## POP Northwest and Northeast

Total Cases Reviewed – 1,179  
Cases Eligible for Abatement – 272  
(23% of Total Cases Reviewed)  
Repeat Offenders – 12  
Total Evictions – 106  
Closed Cases – 154  
Possible Referrals to City Attorney – 5

## Wagon Unit

The Wagon Unit consists of eight two-officer teams on day shift and swing shift. Wagon officers typically are responsible for removing inebriates from city streets and transporting them to either the Volunteers of America Detox Center or the County Jail. Both day and swing shift wagon crews are used to monitor demonstrations, and Friday/Saturday night activities in Old Sacramento.

Intoxicated Subjects Removed from City Streets – 3,752  
Intoxicated Subjects Arrested  
Outside of Downtown Core – 2,033  
Felony Arrests – 52  
Misdemeanor Arrests – 63  
Citations Issued – 73  
Field Contacts – 36  
Warrants Served – 147

## Mounted Unit

The Mounted Unit consists of four officers and one sergeant who also supervises the Wagon and Marine Units. In addition to law enforcement duties, the Mounted Unit provides all of the care and maintenance for the horses. The officers and their horses help with crowd control, parades, and school presentations. The Unit draws a lot of attention at public events and provides children with a positive image of the police.

Citizen Public Relation Contacts – 29,000  
Felony Arrests – 22  
Misdemeanor Arrests – 224  
Citations Issued – 1,114  
Field Contacts – 22  
Warrants Served – 85



# Statistics

## Media Relations Office

Calls Taken/Handled – 5,000  
 Interviews (TV/Radio/Print) – 700  
 Formal Press Releases Written – 170

## Professional Standards Unit

Forms Automated – 216  
 General Order Revisions – 21  
 Manual Revisions – 1

## Crime Statistics

2004 Universal Crime Reporting (UCR)

YEAR	MURDER	FORCIBLE RAPE	ROBBERY	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	BURGLARY	LARCENY-THEFT	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT
1997	41	161	1,851	1,664	6,873	17,282	6,260
1998	31	141	1,689	1,515	6,495	15,725	6,003
1999	56	143	1,450	1,438	4,805	14,761	4,460
2000	44	147	1,412	1,520	4,661	14,690	4,870
2001	40	169	1,440	1,660	5,068	15,977	6,337
2002	47	184	1,733	1,581	5,065	15,542	6,664
2003	43	187	1,630	1,560	5,606	15,374	7,286
2004	50	195	1,914	2,571	5,362	15,455	7,290

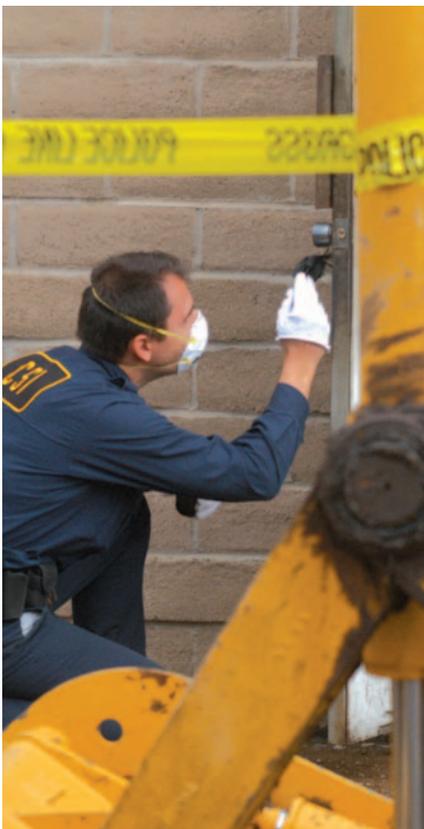
UCR statistics are derived from specific categorical guidelines and may differentiate from other crime statistics kept by the Police Department.

## Court Liaison Unit

Subpoenas Processed – 27,940

## Fleet Section

Supply Orders Processed – 1,700  
 Vehicle Purchases/Trade-Outs – 68  
 Telephone Orders/Requests – 195



## Citywide Calls for Service/Arrests/Citations

Patrol Calls for Service with Officer Response (Citizen Initiated) – 269,815\*  
Juvenile Arrests – 3,065  
Adult Arrests – 23,046

\* Dispatch and Records Management Systems data collection will deviate from prior years due to software change.

## Communications Division

Calls to Communication Center – 1,049,150 including:  
9-1-1 Calls – 178,439  
7-Digit Emergency/Non-Emergency Calls – 630,815  
Related Outgoing Calls – 239,896

## Records Section

Police Reports Processed – 99,763,\* including:  
Counter/Phone Reports Written – 20,949  
Online Reports – 7,240  
Arrests Processed – 25,011

## Property Section

Property/Evidence Booked – 68,233 including:  
Rifles – 260  
Shotguns – 164  
Handguns – 714  
Cash – \$1,564,634  
Drugs Burned – 300 pounds

## Career Criminal Apprehension Team

Felony Arrests – 81  
(includes 48 gang arrests)  
Firearms Seized – 35

## Vice Unit

Non-Narcotic Arrests – 677

## Violent Crimes Response Team

Felony Arrests – 377  
Firearms Seized – 66

## Gang Suppression Unit

Gang Members Validated – 361

## Narcotics Section

Felony Arrests – 263

## SWAT

Felony Arrests – 550  
Misdemeanor Arrests – 75  
Firearms Seized – 25  
High Risk Search Warrant Requests – 44  
Critical Incident Call Outs – 10

## K-9 Unit

Calls for Service – 10,210  
Felony Arrests – 334  
Misdemeanor Arrests – 89  
Traffic Citations – 540  
Field Contact Cards – 301  
Park Checks – 2,445  
Deployments – 825  
Apprehensions – 156

## Bike Unit

Felony Arrests – 378  
Misdemeanor Arrests – 1,005  
Citations – 2,302  
Field Contacts – 774

## Parole Intervention Team (P.I.T.)

Parole Violation Warrants – 153  
Parole Violation Arrests – 144  
Other Felony Arrests – 260  
Other Misdemeanor Arrests – 80  
Parolee Contact – 900  
Parole Searches – 700  
Firearms Seized – 44  
Clandestine Laboratory Call-Outs – 4

## Traffic Section

### Enforcement

Citations Issued – 29,200  
Vehicles Towed – 1,916

### Collisions

Injury Collisions – 3,041  
Non-Injury Collisions – 2,860  
Injury Hit & Run Collisions – 371  
Non-Injury Hit & Run Collisions – 863  
Fatal Collisions – 28  
Major & Fatal Collisions Investigations – 46  
Hit & Run, DUI, and Other Investigations – 1,923

## DUI Checkpoints

Number of Checkpoints – 6  
Number of Vehicles – 3,862  
Number of Sobriety Tests – 73  
DUI Arrests – 24  
Other Arrests – 3

Citations Issued – 315  
Vehicles Towed – 254

## Car Safety Seat Events – 18

## Patrol Division

Patrol Miles Driven – 3,590,760

## Did You Know?

- Gun-related violent crimes in the downtown area were reduced by 32%.
- The Air Support Unit increased its flying time by 33%. The Unit flew 1,862 hours in 2004 compared with 1,401 hours in 2003.
- The Sacramento Police Department issued a total of 60,000 traffic citations, resulting in a 30% increase from the previous year.
- Traffic accidents decreased citywide by 13%. Fatal accidents dropped from 40 to 28, a 30% reduction.
- The Traffic Section received a \$754,561 Traffic Safety Grant from the Office of Traffic Safety.
- The Bike Unit conducted sexual offender sweeps, Regional Transit fare blitzes, K Street narcotics buy/bust operations, taxicab enforcement, and enforcement of entertainment permits.
- East area POP officers, with the assistance of Narcotics and SWAT, served six narcotics search warrants and arrested over 100 subjects for sales of narcotics during monthly buy/bust operations.
- The Emergency Vehicle Operations Center trained 389 Sacramento police officers in emergency vehicle operations and 58 City employees in defensive driving.
- There were a total of 187 vehicular pursuits during 2004 with more than 37% resulting from a felony unrelated to the pursuit.

# Special Features

## 2004 Olympic Track and Field Trials

From patrol cars to patrol boats, helicopters to horses, the Sacramento Police Department keeps a constant, watchful eye on our City. However, when special events occur, patrol officers, along with specialized units, join together to ward off potential danger. This was especially apparent when the California State University, Sacramento, Hornet Stadium played host to 172,230 athletes, fans, workers, and volunteers at the 2004 Olympic Track and Field Trials. During the eight days of competition, the trials drew an average daily crowd of 22,000 to 24,000.

The Sacramento Police Department worked with multiple local, state, and federal agencies to provide security for the event. Surveillance and security equipment on loan from the Department of Defense were used to screen fans as they entered the stadium.

Sacramento Sports Commission Executive Director, John McCassey, estimated the event cost \$6.5 million to stage and was worked by 2,000 volunteers.

The planning of event security started approximately two years prior with review of the 2000 Olympic Track and Field Trials operations plan. Plans were revised and protocols established so participants and fans could enjoy the events.



## Domestic Preparedness

Prior to September 11, 2001, most people never gave a second thought to what they would do in the event of a major disaster or terrorist attack. It was just assumed that our living arrangements, transportation, food supplies and government services would always be there. Since the terrorist attacks, government agencies have come together to enhance communication and form a plan to address these and other issues. The Sacramento Police Department is committed to staying current on issues of domestic preparedness and providing the community a safe place to live, work, and play.

The Sacramento Police Department's Office of Emergency Services and Homeland Security uses a regional approach in planning, preparing, responding, and recovering from acts of terrorism. The Office is comprised of two groups: the Sacramento Area Terrorism Early Warning Group (TEWG) and the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI). Personnel from the Sacramento Police and Fire Departments, Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, Folsom Police Department, West Sacramento Police and Fire Departments, Sacramento Metro Fire Department, and Sacramento Health and Human Services staff the office.



The Office planned and conducted multiple terrorism and domestic preparedness training and exercises, created a first responders communication network, partnered with the F.B.I. on a Terrorism and Homeland Security website, and began planning the creation of a regional terrorist threat assessment center.

Training in terrorism and weapons of mass destruction, incident command, and specialized response to terrorism incidents was provided to approximately 5,700 first responders from 57 agencies. The training included classroom, manipulative, scenario, and modularized exercises. The topics covered were weapons of mass destruction devices, principles of triage, personal protective equipment, and police actions.

The Office of Domestic Preparedness cited the Sacramento Area Working Group as "the model for the nation".

## Homeland Security

Homeland Security Grants – \$24 million  
 Terrorism Bulletins Produced/Distributed – 50  
 Chemical Agent Masks/Chemical Protective Clothing Purchased/Issued – 2,000

## Sacramento Police and Fire Departments Join Forces to Protect Waterways

Sacramento Police Marine Unit and Sacramento Fire Department teamed up in July 2004 in an effort to enhance boating safety. The partnership provides a firefighter who is trained and equipped for medical emergencies and can provide immediate assistance to injured boaters or swimmers.

Sacramento police officers and firefighters completed a marine firefighting school. In addition, the Marine Unit is developing a training protocol that will allow trained firefighters to take out vessels in an emergency when police officers may not be available to respond.

### Marine Unit

Felony Arrests – 2  
 Citations Issued – 348



## Advances in Technology

**Sacramento Police Department strives to stay current with the latest technology in order to provide employees with the most advanced crime-fighting tools. The advancements made in technology during 2004 enhanced the Department's ability to provide better service and protect the future of the community. These advances include:**

**Photo Manager Implementation** – The old mugshot system was replaced with the new Photo Manager System allowing users the ability to view mugshots and create lineups directly from their desktops rather than using a few designated workstations. Officers are also able to retrieve over 28,000 arrest mugshots through the Versadex CAD program and view mugshots in their squad cars on their onboard computer screens.

**New Versadex Records Management System (RMS)** – In February 2004, the new Versadex Records Management System was implemented. This system, along with the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system, is increasing the operational efficiency of the Police Department staff. All authorized staff have online access to police reports from their desk or in their vehicles, eliminating the need for massive duplication of paper documents. An automated workflow and case management system makes it possible for cases to be electronically routed to the appropriate supervisor for assignment.

**New Versaterm Computer Aided Dispatch System (CAD)** – The CAD system is fully integrated to the Records Management System and features a mapping tool, which is readily available to the dispatcher on one of three computer screens.

**Mobile Data Computer (MDC) Client Software Upgrade** – The MDC upgrade provides additional functionality to field officers, including access to arrest photographs, mapping, and street check data.

**Geographic Positioning Satellite (GPS)** – Sacramento Patrol cars now use GPS technology to provide Automatic Vehicle Locations (AVL) of the entire marked fleet. AVL affords a number of benefits: enhanced officer safety (able to locate an officer's vehicle in times of distress), aid in setting up perimeters, asset management, and proximity dispatching in the near future.

**Digital Crime Scene (DCS)** – Using the DCS program allows digital photographs to be stored electronically on a server and backed up to DVD. Prior to the DCS software, it took about 3 days to process a detective's request for photos. It now takes the detective about two minutes to determine if there are digital photos associated with the crime and to view those photos.

**Website Includes Sex Offender Information** – The Sacramento Police Department's website ([www.sacpd.org](http://www.sacpd.org)) includes a link to the Department of Justice Megan's Law. This website provides valuable information to the community, and includes a citywide pin map showing the locations of serious sex offenders.

**Traffic Section Upgrades Its Three-Dimensional Software Program** – The upgraded software uses the measurements taken from the crime scene and recreates a three-dimensional reenactment of the incident.

## Technology & Information Services

New Computer Equipment Installed – 330+  
Mobile Data Computer Problem Reports – 500  
Related Problem Reports – 1,954

# Awards and Recognition

## Silver Medal of Valor

R. Cordell Ford

## Bronze Medal of Valor

Ryan Elmore	Pamela Seyffert
John Harshbarger	Gregory Smyth
Brian Jensen	Stanley Swisher (SSD)
Randy Lozoya	Christopher Taylor
Gary Malmquist	Durwin Wesgate

## Purple Heart

John Sample

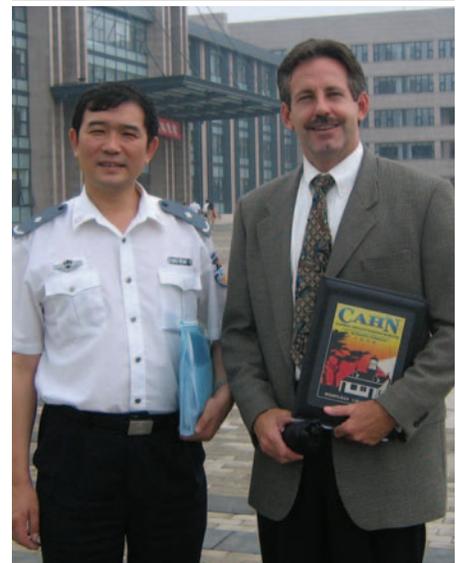
## Lifesaving Award

Ryan Cleveringa	C. D. Peletta
Connie Cummings	Mark Phillips
Mark Egeland	Jason Rhoads
Robert Jacoby	George Singewald

## Distinguished Service Award

Jim Delaney (DEA)
Darrell Fong
David Hargadon
Patrick Kohles
Law Enforcement Chaplaincy-Sacramento
Theodore Mandalla
Edward Tatosian
Christopher Taylor

- **Meritorious Service Award** – recognized for 30 years of service to the Sacramento Police Department were Ric Corona, Pat Bibica, Marvin Bernardi, Claudia Evans, Lori Ferguson, Chris Hadley, Marty Mamuyac, Mike Lopez, and Maria Mendoza.
- **Field Training Officer of the Year** – presented to Officer Jason Kirtlan.
- **City of Sacramento Positive Work Ethic Award** – presented to Police Records Assistants Tiffany Ford and Lisa Gresham.
- **City of Sacramento Outstanding Achievement Award** – presented to Account Technician Patty Cassidy and Media Production Specialist Doug Skinner.





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## Dedication

The 2004 Annual Report is dedicated to the Sacramento Police Department employees, partnering agencies, businesses, and community members who have committed their time and efforts to work together to protect the future of our communities.

## Acknowledgement

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