CITY OF PLACENTIA
Police Department
biennial report
2019–2020
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I am pleased to present the Placentia Police Department’s Biennial Report. I am honored to serve alongside the men and women of this organization, where our people are our most valuable resource. Having the privilege to be the Police Chief of my hometown is something I could not be more proud of.

We work with members of the public, city officials and council members to make Placentia a safe place to live, work and visit. My Department and I are committed to work through challenges in partnership with the community and other city departments all to help make Placentia an even better place to raise our families, experience our culture, and enjoy our community. We recognize and appreciate the vast level of support the community affords us each and every day.

While this report is not inclusive of everything we have accomplished as an agency, it certainly gives an overview of the hard work and dedication of our employees and the programs we offer. Looking forward, we will continue to work with our community to fight crime and preserve the way of life for those we protect and serve daily.

To maintain trust and accountability with the community, this Biennial Report includes data regarding internal affair investigations. These investigations include internal complaints initiated by the Chief of Police, and received by community members. In light of certain police events occurring nationally, I believe this information is crucial to disclose.

I look forward to 2021 and achieving greater accomplishments within our organization and within our community. We support the efforts by our Council members in making Placentia “a pleasant place” and leading us to complete much-needed projects and improvements throughout the city.

I am thankful for the opportunity to lead the Police Department and to work with such caring and dedicated people. Thank you all for your continued support.

Respectfully,

Darin Lenyi, Chief of Police
Intergovernmental Relations

The Mayor and City Council hold a number of special assignments and appointments to various boards and commissions dealing with other county/state government agencies. These agencies include the:

- Criminal Justice Council
- League of California Cities
- Orange County Human Relations Agency
- Orange County Sanitation District
- Vector Control

Citizen Relations

In an effort to create an open government and respond to citizen concerns, the mayor and City Council promote citizen relations by:

- Conducting town hall meetings
- Hosting public speaking engagements
- Issuing commendations and proclamations
- Providing citizens with information
- News releases and public notices are issued to notify citizens of these programs.

For More Information

For more information about intergovernmental and citizen relations, contact the City Council at (714) 993-8181 or citycouncil@placentia.org
## DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

### FULL-TIME ALLOCATED POSITIONS

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*Part-time and volunteer positions not included.*
CHIEF DARIN LENYI
Chief Darin Lenyi has led the Placentia Police Department as Chief of Police since 2016. Chief Lenyi is a thirty-three year law enforcement veteran. He holds a graduate degree in Management, attended the FBI National Academy, and was current President of the Orange County Chiefs of Police and Sheriff’s Association in 2020-2021.

CAPTAIN BRAD BUTTS
Captain Brad Butts is currently the Operations Division Commander, overseeing all field operations. He is a 25-year sworn law enforcement professional and he began his service with the Placentia Police Department as a police officer in 2001. He earned a graduate degree in Law Enforcement and Public Safety Leadership from the University of San Diego and he is a graduate of the Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute.

CAPTAIN JAMES MCELHINNEY
Captain James McElhinney is currently the Administrative Division Commander, overseeing Investigations, Professional Standards, Property & Evidence, Records, Fleet and Facilities. Captain McElhinney is a 32 year veteran of the Placentia Police Department, having worked as a Police Cadet and Reserve Police Officer before being promoted to Police Officer in 1993. He earned his BS in Criminal Justice Management and MS in Organizational Leadership from Union Institute & University. He is also a graduate of the Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute.

CAPTAIN ERIC POINT
Captain Eric Point manages special projects and investigations. Captain Point is a 34-year member of the department and holds a graduate degree in management.
The Operations Division is also known as the “field services” division and it is overseen by the Operations Division Commander and two Patrol Lieutenants. Operations consists of the Patrol Division, Traffic Bureau, K-9 Unit, School Resource Officer Detail and Police Services Officers, Police Reserves and the Police Chaplain Program.

The Patrol Division is the largest work-group within the Department. Patrol Officers work around the clock to safeguard our residential neighborhoods, shopping centers, schools and public places. They handle preliminary investigations of all crimes and they proactively enforce criminal violations and traffic violations.

Our Traffic Bureau Officers enforce traffic safety laws, educate the public on traffic safety and they investigate traffic collisions.

Smaller units within Operations include K-9 Unit and the School Resource Officers. The Canine Officers and Police Canines are assigned within the Patrol Division. Their primary responsibilities are to search, locate and assist in the apprehension of felony criminal offenders. Their secondary responsibility is to assist in the search and detection of illegal drugs.

The School Resource Officer (SRO) program works in partnership with the Placentia-Yorba Linda School District (PYLUSD). The Department currently has two School Resource Officers, with one assigned to El Dorado High School and the other to Valencia High School. They keep our schools safe from gangs, drugs and alcohol, as well as other safety related concerns.

Finally, within Operations is our non-sworn Police Service Officer (PSO) Detail. It is comprised of two PSOs and one Police Services Supervisor (PSS) position. PSOs support sworn Police Officers by performing a combination of field, office and jail duties. Their duties include responding to low risk calls for service, taking reports, and managing jail operations.

NIXLE

Nixle is a mass notification system used to send out various types of emergency messages for the community as well as widespread notices. The Nixle Alert system informs the community about general advisories, police and fire activity, and large scale community notifications.

NIXLE Alerts Sent

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EMERGENCY CALLS

Emergency calls for service are our highest priority incidents. These are calls range from the physical well-being of a person is in jeopardy, disasters, or crimes in progress. Some examples would include injury traffic collisions, suicide attempts, domestic disputes, any call involving the use of weapons, including fights and robberies.

Average Response Time For Emergency Calls For Service

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The Patrol Division is the backbone of our policing service. Patrol provides officers who work around the clock to safeguard our community. The Patrol Division includes the Traffic Bureau, K9 Unit, School Resource Officers, Police Services Officers, and Reserve Officers.

Patrol Officers handle the first response to all crimes, they patrol for criminal activity and take the lead on criminal enforcement. They also work with residents, business owners, educational partners and other community partners in reducing public safety problems, including quality of life issues that concern our community or impact the safety and living conditions of the public.

The Patrol Division is made up of two Police Lieutenants, six Police Sergeants, twenty-four Police Officers (including K9 Officers, SROs and HLOs), one Police Services Supervisor, and two Police Services Officers.

The Placentia Police Department is committed to providing the best training experience possible for newly hired employees. After completing a POST Basic Course (Academy), newly hired police officers are assigned to our Field Training Program. Field training is intended to facilitate a police officer’s transition from the academic setting of the basic academy to the performance of uniformed patrol duties of the Placentia Police Department. Although an officer graduating from the POST basic academy has received a thorough introduction to the basic law enforcement subjects, that officer cannot be expected to immediately assume the full responsibilities of an experienced officer.

Newly assigned officers must receive additional training in the field on actual calls for service, where they can learn from officers who already have practical patrol experience. Field training introduces a newly assigned officer to the personnel, procedures, and policies of the department. The program also provides the initial formal and informal training specific to the department and the day-to-day duties of its officers.
The Field Training Officer (FTO) is an experienced police officer that is selected and formally trained. It is the responsibility of the FTO to train the newly hired police officer in all aspects of law enforcement and to demonstrate proper patrol procedures. Trainees will be required to perform various law enforcement duties under the guidance and supervision of their assigned FTO and a Field Training Program Supervisor. The trainee’s performance will be evaluated by the FTO and monitored by a Field Training Program Supervisor. This one-on-one training program sets it apart from any prior academic endeavor. It is designed specifically for the success of the trainee as it takes place out in the field in an uncontrolled environment.

TOP 3 ARREST OFFENSES

2019
A TOTAL OF 1,201 ARRESTS

- 206 POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA
- 118 POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE
- 102 DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE (DUI)

2020
A TOTAL OF 1,080 ARRESTS

- 222 POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA
- 150 POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE
- 69 DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE (DUI)
Traffic Officers are primarily responsible for traffic-safety related laws. They educate the public on traffic safety, investigate traffic collisions, and maintain traffic safety for special events like the Heritage Day Parade and Festival and the Placentia Tamale Festival. For student safety they also monitor traffic conditions at our schools during student drop off and pick up time. The Department partners with the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to provide grant support for traffic safety education and operations. The Traffic Bureau is overseen by a Sergeant and consists of two Motorcycle Officers and two Parking Control Officers enforcing street sweeping and other parking problems within the city. Additionally, there are two employees assigned to run day-to-day operations at the department’s impound lot.

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* Hazardous Citations Examples: Speeding and running a red light.
* Non Hazardous Citations Examples: Expired registration and headlight out.
The Placentia Police Department’s Canine (K9) program began in 1988. The unit consists of three uniformed police officers assigned within the Patrol Division and three Police Service Dogs, overseen by a Sergeant Coordinator. Two of the Police Service Dogs are cross trained in apprehension and narcotics (K9 Habo, a German Shepherd and K9 Ace, a Belgian Malinois), and the third is a single purpose narcotics detection canine (K9 Kyra, a Belgian Malinois).

Often our teams are called upon to assist other neighboring Local, State and Federal Law Enforcement Agencies through mutual aid. In addition to the above listed responsibilities, the K9 Unit conducts public demonstrations at local schools and community events.

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Habo Retired March 2020
The Placentia Police Department's School Resource Officer (SRO) program originated from the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program. In partnership with the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District (PYLUSD), the Department currently has two School Resource Officers, both of which have offices located on their respective campus. One officer is assigned to El Dorado High School and another is assigned to Valencia High School. Both SROs perform the same functions as our patrol officers, however they also perform several other functions unique to the schools.

Our SROs become an integral part of their school sites and work in collaboration with school staff to keep our students safe. SROs provide school staff with training on active shooters, gangs, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, bullying and other school related concerns. SROs also make lasting connections with students by educating them on the issues they face, as well as providing mentorship, and counseling. Placentia’s SROs are more than just police officers, they are an integral resource for our schools and their students.
The Placentia Police Department’s Jail Facility is a Temporary Holding Facility. The jail is only certified to hold arrestees for up to 24 hours due to the classification status with the California Department of Corrections. If an arrestee stays longer than the booking process, the arrestee will receive meals every 6 hours provided by the Jailer or Watch Commander.

Arrestees are brought into the jail for general booking procedures which include processing, fingerprinting and photos. Once the booking process is complete the arrestee is then transported to the Orange County jail facility for housing. The facility has 4 holding cells that will accommodate 8 arrestees with an additional sobering cell for intoxicated subjects. The Placentia Police Department also allows for juvenile arrestees to be placed in a non-secure holding cell for up to 6 hours, which is separate from the jail. Juveniles must be released to a parent or guardian within the 6 hour limit or will be transported to a county facility for housing.

Reserve Officers assist full time officers in the enforcement of laws and in maintaining peace and order within the community. Reserve Officers usually are assigned to augment the Operations Division, but they may be assigned to other areas within the Department as needed. Reserve Officers are required to work a minimum of 16 hours per month.
For nearly 40 years, the Volunteers in Police (VIP) have provided dedicated support to the members of the Placentia Police Department. The primary goal of the VIPs is to further the partnership between the Police and community by developing a spirit of cooperation and establishing collaborative relationships. Volunteers assist in specified duties which create efficiencies for the Department, improving our service delivery to the community. Some of the volunteer duties are reporting crime, assisting with police responsiveness, information input, performing vacation home checks, and involvement in various community outreach activities. Volunteers meet bi-monthly to coordinate events. Interested candidates must be at least 18 years old and possess a high school diploma. Commitment, dedication, and regular attendance are required in the program.

During 2019, the VIPs provided almost 2,800 hours of service to the members of the department and the community by supporting DUI checkpoints, conducting vacation house checks, assisting with front counter/records requests, and assisting during community outreach events.

Going forward, the VIP program will continue to develop a platform through community outreach events and support for our field staff through a community-policing model.

The Placentia Police Department Chaplain Corps consists of several area ministers who are committed to serving the community and the Department through faith-based training and experience. Chaplains are called upon to provide counseling and personal support to Officers and staff members. They may be requested at any time to facilitate death notifications to citizens, help to provide comfort to crime victims, assist officers at the scenes of domestic violence calls and many other law enforcement related circumstances. Chaplains also serve the community by providing invocations and prayers at City Council meetings and other community events.

They are present at community outreach opportunities such as the National Night Out, Placentia Heritage Day and Coffee with a Cop events. Placentia Police Chaplains are active in the Orange County Chaplain Association which provides specialized training and mutual aid in the event of a major crisis anywhere in the country. Chaplains may also ride along with officers on a regular basis.
The Administrative/Support Services Division is one of two divisions within the Police Department and is overseen and managed by a Police Captain. Each division has one or more “Bureaus” within it that are uniquely designed to handle specific duties within the department.

The division consists of Administration, Professional Standards Bureau, Investigations Bureau, Records Bureau, Property & Evidence Bureau, and Information Technology. Administrative staff consists of the Division Captain, Administrative Lieutenant, Professional Standards Sergeant, IT Sergeant, Senior Management Analyst, and Senior Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Police. In addition, all internal affairs investigations are handled through the Division Commander’s office and assigned to supervisory staff members.

Administrative staff is tasked with preparing and managing the department budget, purchasing and requisitions of equipment and supplies, personnel selection, policy and procedures, grant management, contract services, and human resources liaison. Each bureau supervisor within the division report directly to the Administrative Division Commander who is responsible for the division's daily activities and long-term strategic goals.
The Professional Standards Bureau is responsible for many police administrative duties. These include employee recruitment, pre-employment background investigations, new hire processing and first week orientation. This also includes the ongoing professional training that our department personnel must attend throughout their career, which can equate to thousands of hours for an individual. This training varies from complying with ever changing state mandates, to maintaining department and industry standards. Also allowing for the development of expertise in a certain field by permitting our individual sworn and civilian personnel to request training courses that are in a desired dimension. Additionally, complaints against police personnel, whether generated from an external source or internally, are thoroughly investigated through this office. Investigations of our personnel are taken seriously and are of highest importance, to make certain that we maintain a level of trust with the community we serve.

When Placentia Police Officers attend the Basic Police Academy, they are required to receive over 1,000 hours of training prior to graduation. After the academy, ongoing professional training continues throughout their careers. Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) requires officers in this state to complete at least 24 hours of advanced officer training every 2 years. The majority of our officers exceed this minimum standard every year. During 2019, Placentia Police Officers collectively received 2,058 hours of POST training, in addition to many hours of other, non-POST training. Advanced officer training is vital and allows for our officers to remain professional and to be some of the best officers in Southern California. Some examples of the training our officers receive are, effective policing of the homeless, community relations, cultural diversity, peer support, local, state and federal law changes, proper use of force applications, pursuit driving updates, arrest and control techniques, first aid / CPR / AED, drug recognition expert (DRE), DUI investigations, de-escalation techniques and investigative techniques.

In addition to POST advanced officer training, our officers have received hundreds of hours of training through the department in range training, policy and procedure updates, and briefing training. Placentia Police Officers who are members of the North County SWAT team received approximately 200 hours of SWAT related training in 2019 and our K9 officers received approximately 360 hours of K9 related training in 2019.

Also in 2019, our officers received 8 hours of Use of Force/de-escalation training from Missy O’Lynn who is a recognized technical expert in peace officer use of force, training and tactics. Ms. O’Lynn is an attorney, former police officer, and has served as a member of the POST Use of Force committee and the California Peace Officers’ Association committee where she helped to develop a model use of force policy. She also has been a member of the Los Angeles Police Department’s Use of Force Training Review Committee.

Even though the COVID Pandemic caused many training courses to be shut down, Placentia Police Officers collectively received 1,642 hours of POST training, in addition to the many other hours of non-POST training during 2020. Placentia Police Officers who are members of the North County SWAT team received approximately 100 hours of SWAT related training in 2020 and our K9 officers received over 350 hours of K9 related training in 2020.
The Placentia Police Department takes all complaints seriously regarding the service provided by the Department and the conduct of its members. The Department will accept and address all complaints of misconduct in accordance with policy and applicable federal, state and local law. It is also the policy of this department to ensure that the community can report misconduct without concern for reprisal or retaliation.

Each personnel complaint is classified with one of the following dispositions:

**UNFOUNDED** - When the investigation discloses that the alleged acts did not occur or did not involve department members. Complaints that are determined to be frivolous will fall within the classification of unfounded (Penal Code § 832.8).

**EXONERATED** - The investigation discloses that the alleged act occurred but that the act was justified, lawful and/or proper.

**NOT SUSTAINED** - The investigation discloses that there is insufficient evidence to sustain the complaint or fully exonerate the member.

**SUSTAINED** - A final determination by an investigating agency, commission, board, hearing officer, or arbitrator, as applicable, following an investigation and opportunity for an administrative appeal pursuant to Government Code § 3304 and Government Code § 3304.5 that the actions of an officer were found to violate law or department policy (Penal Code § 832.8).

**INTERNAL** - Investigations are initiated at the direction of the Chief of Police.

**EXTERNAL** - Investigations are complaints received by members of the community.

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The Investigations Bureau is comprised of General Detectives (two Crimes-Person, two Property Crimes), one Gang Detective, one Task Force Officer (DEA), one Crime Analyst, three Civilian Investigators and one Cadet. The bureau is supervised by a Sergeant and overseen by the Administrative Division Captain.

**ACTIVE** – An investigation that is being conducted with a reasonable, good faith belief that it could lead to the filing of administrative, civil, or criminal proceedings, or that is ongoing and continuing and for which there is a reasonable, good faith anticipation of securing an arrest or prosecution.

**INACTIVE** – An investigation where there is little evidence to work with, or follow-up on, but is available to reopen if further information comes to light.

**CLEARED** – An offense that is cleared by arrest, or if an agency is unable to make an arrest, but have exhausted all leads and/or have done everything possible in order to clear a case, the case is cleared exceptionally.

**UNFOUNDED** – False or baseless complaints.

### 2019 STATS

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Includes a total of 63 cases listed as “Pending Crime Lab” (30) or “Pending DA Review” (33). Total # of cold case homicides: 13
Since the incorporation of the City in 1926, three of the oldest gangs in Orange County were formed within the borders of the City of Placentia. Each of these gangs are traditional Turf Street Gangs as defined by the Street Terrorism Enforcement and Prevention Act, commonly referred to as the STEP Act under California Penal Code section 186.22. The three gangs have a tremendous negative impact on the City of Placentia. They commit a large number of reported and unreported crimes in the City and a majority of them are being committed by the younger members of the gang. This information comes from numerous investigations, arrests and information from citizens.

The Placentia Police Department currently participates in a Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Task Force and has done so for over two decades by dedicating an officer to serve on the team. Currently, five police departments dedicate officers to the DEA Task Force. The DEA Task Force is charged with the enforcement of the Controlled Substances Act as well as investigation of the highest level of domestic and international narcotics traffickers. During the 2020 fiscal year, the DEA Task Force seized millions of dollars, over 80 kilograms of various narcotics (including cocaine, methamphetamine, heroin and fentanyl) and federally indicted ten subjects. Numerous other subjects stemming from 2020 investigations are still being investigated and will be indicted in the future.
“Crime Analysis is defined as a set of systematic, analytical processes directed at providing timely and pertinent information relative to crime patterns and trend correlations to assist the operational and administrative personnel in planning the deployment of resources for the prevention and suppression of criminal activities, aiding the investigative process, and increasing apprehensions and the clearance of cases. Within this context, Crime Analysis supports a number of department functions including patrol deployment, special operations, and tactical units, investigations, planning and research, crime prevention, and administrative services (budgeting and program planning).” Steven Gottlieb et al., 1994, “Crime Analysis: From First Report to Final Arrest”

The Placentia Police Department’s Crime Analyst engages in three types of crime analysis.

1. **Tactical Crime Analysis** – An analytical process that provides information used to assist patrol and investigative officers in identifying specific and immediate crime trends, patterns, series, sprees and hotspots, providing investigative leads, and clearing cases. Analysis includes associating criminal activity by method of crime, time, date, location, suspect, vehicle, and other types of information.

2. **Strategic Analysis** – Concerned with long-range problems and projections of long-term increase or decreases in crime (crime trends). Strategic analysis also includes the preparation of crime statistical summaries, resource acquisition, and allocation studies.

3. **Administrative Analysis** – Focuses on provision of economic, geographic, or social information to administration.

The Placentia Police Department’s Crime Analyst tracks crimes that lend themselves to a series as well as those which are thought to be preventable or deterred. These crimes are: robbery, burglary (commercial, residential, vehicle, and possession of burglary tools), thefts, vehicle theft and recoveries, weapons and narcotics violations, receiving stolen property, sex crimes and vandalism.

The primary functions of the position are:

- To provide timely, accurate, information in order to maintain an accurate crime and suspect database which facilitates quality analysis; and to produce and disseminate timely publications on crime series, patterns, trends, and offenders. Thus leading to the identification, arrest and successful prosecution of criminals.
- To provide administrative support in terms of producing staff reports and working on projects involving other city departments.

In addition to acting as an internal resource for operations and administrative staff, the Crime Analyst fields telephone inquiries from the public requesting a variety of statistical information and can be reached at (714) 993-8252.
## ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION
### CRIME STATISTICS

### 2019

**Total # of Part I Crimes (1,096) by Crime Classification:**

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**Total # of Part II Crimes (1,973) by Crime Classification:**

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## Administrative Division

### Crime Statistics

#### 2020

**Total # of Part I Crimes (1,377) by Crime Classification:**

- **2** Homicide
- **9** Rape
- **45** Robbery
- **183** Aggravated Assault
- **319** Burglary
- **559** Theft/Larceny
- **135** Motor Vehicle Theft
- **135** Arson

**Total # of Part II Crimes (1,792) by Crime Classification:**

- **55** Forgery
- **158** Fraud
- **16** Embezzlement
- **27** Receiving Stolen Property
- **241** Vandalism
- **84** Weapons Offenses

- **29** Sex Offenses
- **29** Sex Offenses
- **378** Drug Offenses
- **6** Offenses Against Family/Children
- **69** DUI
- **34** Liquor Laws
- **19** Drunkenness
- **3** Disorderly Conduct
- **2** Curfew
- **176** Runaways
- **489** All Other Offenses
The Placentia Police Department Records Bureau is staffed by two full-time Records Specialists, six Police Cadets, Volunteers in Police and is managed by the Senior Management Analyst. The Records Bureau performs a vital function by working closely with all members of the Police Department to ensure timely processing of reports and ensuring the service standards are met. Utilizing a sophisticated records management system, we are responsible for collecting, maintaining, and distributing all police reports and related records. Some responsibilities and duties of our records personnel consist of:

- Assist the public at the front counter
- Answer business and non-emergency phone calls
- File reports
- LiveScan (Electronic Fingerprinting)
- Background checks
- Records requests
- Non-suspect info reports
- Citation signoffs
- Vehicle release forms
- Sex, arson, and narcotic registrants
- Scan police reports into Laserfiche for records retention and accessibility
- Placing calls for service
- Process arrest reports to be electronically filed with the District Attorney’s Office
- Using software such as Elete, Records Management System, Computer Aided Dispatch, and Electronic Direction for Complaint

FRONT COUNTER HOURS
Monday – Friday
8:00am-8:00pm
Saturday
8:00am-2:00pm
Sunday
Closed
The Property & Evidence Division is staffed by a Police Services Supervisor and one full-time Property Technician, and is managed by the Senior Management Analyst. Property personnel are tasked with the proper handling, storage, transportation, release and/or disposal of all items seized by the Placentia Police Department. Property assists the courts by providing copies of case documents, audio and video, surveillance, interviews, photographs, 911 dispatch tapes and physical evidence as requested. Some evidentiary items handled by this division include firearms, narcotics, currency, sexual assault kits, DNA swabs, blood/urine samples, photographs, audio, video and much more.

The primary goal of this division is to store and dispose of evidentiary items in accordance to the law and directions of the court. Our Property personnel are responsible to safeguarding all evidence until the case has been completed and adjudicated.

### EVIDENTIARY ITEMS HANDLED BY PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE DIVISION

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ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

DEPARTMENT BUDGET & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES UNIT

The Department’s Budget & Administrative Services Unit is responsible for a multitude of fiscally minded functions. The primary being the preparation and daily oversight of our department’s annual budget. This sets the fiscal direction for our department and establishes goals and objectives for each division to work within. Additional duties include creating and maintaining contracts with outside service providers, fleet services, false alarm management, grant overview and agency surveys/analysis when needed.

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The North County Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) was incorporated in 2001 and is comprised of individual agency SWAT teams, Crisis Negotiation teams and Tactical Dispatchers. Along with Placentia, other assigned agencies include Brea, California State University-Fullerton, Fullerton, La Habra, and La Palma Police Departments. The team provides support in critical field operations where negotiations or special tactical deployment methods are required. Placentia’s allocation commitment to the team is six officers, two sergeants, two crisis negotiators and two tactical dispatchers.

The SWAT team supplies specialized support in handling critical field operations where intense negotiations and/or special tactical deployment methods exceed the capacity of field officers. Though the team is part time, each member is on-call 24/7. They train on a monthly basis, conducting over 180 hours of specialized training per year.

The selection process includes a memorandum of interest, scoring above 90% on the SWAT firearms qualification, completing the SWAT obstacle course under the strict time limit and completing an oral interview with the Team Commander and Team Leaders. Once selected, Officers must pass the obstacle course twice a year and a quarterly weapons qualification. This detail takes a tremendous amount of commitment and a high level of firearms proficiency and physical fitness.

### 2019 SWAT ACTIVITY

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### 2020 SWAT ACTIVITY

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ANCILLARY ASSIGNMENTS

HOMELESS LIAISON OFFICER (HLO)

The Homeless Liaison Officer program is assigned within Patrol. HLOs attend meetings with collaborative groups, Placentia Police Administration, Placentia City Staff, City Council members, and outside law enforcement agencies. Their goal is to place homeless individuals in designated shelters, providing wraparound services for permanent housing and to address community homelessness concerns. HLOs stay up to date on current laws and work to navigate this difficult issue by knowing what kind of resources are available to our homeless population. PPD has two HLOs who are specially trained to deal with homeless related issues.

CALLS FOR SERVICE AND OFFICER INITIATED ACTIVITIES INVOLVING OUR HOMELESS POPULATION

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Their goal is to place homeless individuals in designated shelters...
Placentia Police Department’s Crime Scene Investigation (CSI) Unit is staffed by the Property Police Services Supervisor and the Property Technician. All CSI Technicians are certified Field Evidence Technicians that respond to crime scenes and assist Patrol and Detectives in their investigations. Our CSI Technicians are on call 24/7. While out at crime scenes, our CSI Technicians photograph, document the scene and collect evidence. Our CSI Technicians are trained to process items from DNA and/or fingerprints as needed. They also process in house evidence previously collected by officers. In 2019, CSI Technicians responded to approximately 52 crime scenes. These crime scenes include but are not limited to homicides, robberies, burglaries, fatal traffic collisions, stabbings, shooting, search warrants and assaults.

### 2019 CSI ACTIVITY

**52 CRIME SCENES**

### 2020 CSI ACTIVITY

**39 CRIME SCENES**

*Minor CSI conducted by Police Officers and PSOs not included in the above activities.*
ANCILLARY ASSIGNMENTS

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER (PIO)

The main job of the Public Information Officer (PIO) at the department is to act as a formal liaison and spokesperson for the Department when interacting with the general public via the media. This includes writing and disseminating press releases, conducting media interviews, monitoring and implementing social media campaigns, and acting as an intermediary between PPD and media groups.

PPD has three PIOs. These PIOs receive special training to assist in communicating with the press corps and to navigate laws pertaining to the release of information to the public.

2019 PR ACTIVITY

16 PRESS RELEASES DISSEMINATED

2020 PR ACTIVITY

8 PRESS RELEASES DISSEMINATED
The Placentia Police Department’s Honor Guard was founded in 2012 and has since grown into a multifaceted detail. It is currently made up of one Sergeant and seven team members. The immediate duty of the detail is to render final honors to fallen officers and their families. They comfort family members, reassuring them that their loved one is remembered. These final honors give family and friends the opportunity to reflect on the time their loved one spent in service to their community, with the hopes of bringing them closure. Our Honor Guard Detail is a specially trained, decorated and highly disciplined unit that not only serves at funeral services but may also serve as the “guardians of the colors” by displaying and escorting the national flag on ceremonial occasions. These instances include state functions such as the Peace Officer’s Memorial services, Veteran’s Day services, as well as promotional and award ceremonies. The Honor Guard Detail prides itself on providing its services with the utmost respect, decorum and humility.

### HONOR GUARD ACTIVITY

#### 2019 COMMUNITY EVENTS
1. Golden West Academy Class 160 Graduation
2. Police & Fire Recognition Breakfast
3. Two Promotion/Badge Pinning Ceremonies
4. Peace Officers Memorial & Candlelight Vigil
5. Memorial Day Ceremony
6. K9 Falkon’s Memorial Wall Ceremony
7. Proclamation of Police Week
8. CHP Funeral
9. Annual Remembrance Ceremony for Fallen Palm Springs Police Officers
10. Veteran’s Day Ceremony

#### 2020 COMMUNITY EVENTS
Due to COVID, the only event the Honor Guard participated in was the opening ceremony of the City’s new Veteran’s Village.
The Social Media Team’s main goal is to improve communication and public relations with the community in which we serve. The Department uses social media platforms for external purposes including community engagement and public notifications, and internal purposes, including investigations and recruitment. Enhanced communication, facilitated by social media engagement, leads to greater community cooperation and understanding.

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

**ANCILLARY ASSIGNMENTS**

**TATTOO POLICY**
- 139.5K People Reached
- 139 Comments
- 631 Shares
- 1.3K Reactions

**MAIL FISHING**
- 110.1K People Reached
- 216 Comments
- 926 Shares
- 750 Reactions

**OFF-DUTY LEO DEATH**
- 75.4K People Reached
- 570 Comments
- 482 Shares
- 1.7K Reactions

### Here are the top three posts for 2019–2020

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The Range Training Unit consists of one Range Master and four Firearms Instructors. The unit trains and mentors all sworn PPD Officers in the use, functionality, and decision-making processes involving various assigned weapons. The unit conducts bi-monthly live-fire qualification and simunition exercises. They also serve as active shooter instructors.

This unit was recently tasked with increasing de-escalation tactics within the existing training. All officers receive de-escalation training in other types of training as well.

PLACENTIA POLICE DEPARTMENT MEDAL QUALIFICATION COURSE

**INTENT:** Test marksmanship/accuracy at varying distances and times.

**WEAPONS**
- Duty handguns

**EQUIPMENT**
- Duty belt and equipment for current assignment

**TARGETS**
- (1) B-27F target per shooter

**DISTANCES**
- 20, 16, 13, 7, and 3 yards

**SCORE:**
- Possible Points .................. 600
- Distinguished Expert ............ 570-600 .......... 95-100%
- Expert .......................... 540-569 .......... 90-94%
- Qualified ......................... 510-539 .......... 85-89%

**REMEDIATION:** Only one attempt is allowed to successfully complete this course for medal qualification, incentive pay and / or POST qualification. Those who fail to qualify with a minimum score of 510 or better will be directed to shoot the designated Pistol Duty Course for qualification. Only two (2) attempts will be allowed to qualify on the Pistol Duty Course. Placentia Police Department Policy, Section 312.6.1, will be followed for those who fail to qualify.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**
- **20 yard line** – 15 rounds – 1 minute 30 seconds
  - On command, shooter draws from their holster and fires (10) rounds standing and (5) rounds sitting or kneeling.
- **16 yard line** – 14 rounds – 30 seconds
  - On command, shooter draws from their holster and fires (7) rounds standing and (7) rounds kneeling.
- **13 yard line** – 7 rounds – 12 seconds
  - On command, shooter draws from their holster and fires (7) rounds standing.
- **7 yard line** – 10 rounds – 15 seconds
  - On command, shooter draws from their holster and fires (10) rounds standing.
- **3 yard line** – 14 rounds – 20 seconds
  - On command, shooter draws from their holster and fires (7) rounds strong hand and (7) rounds weak hand; standing.
The Placentia Police Department Peer Support Team (PST) provides assistance, support, and resources to employees and direct family members during difficult times in their personal or professional lives. Peer support members provide ongoing follow-up support, promote trust, allow anonymity, and preserve confidentiality for persons using peer support within the guidelines of the program. The program attends meetings with the Orange County Association of Peer Supporters (OCAPS) in order to provide a mechanism of support and resources to personnel on approved leave, and act as a liaison for retired personnel requesting PST services.

TERRORISM LIAISON OFFICER (TLO)

Terrorism Liaison Officers (TLO) are specifically trained to be a point of contact in matters related to terrorism and they maintain a relationship with the local fusion center. They receive and disseminate terrorism-related information. They also educate other agency personnel about suspicious activity, enhancing situational awareness, early warning, and operational readiness.
The Placentia Police Department has recognized the fact that there are many youths within the City of Placentia that are at risk of joining gangs and in need of positive mentorship. In an effort to help the young members of our community, the Placentia Police Department has teamed up with the Orange County District Attorney’s Office and the OC GRIP program.

OC GRIP is a non-profit 501(c)(3) that supports the initiatives of the GRIP (Gang Reduction Intervention Partnership) program in the Orange County District Attorney’s Office. This program has more than 200 partners in 13 cities, including police departments, probation departments and more than 100 private businesses and non-profit organizations. Over the last four years, through a partnership with selected schools that are at-risk for gang violence, GRIP has put thousands of kids between 8 and 12 years old through their program. The program consists of individual goal oriented mentoring and focuses on student’s attitude, academics and attendance.

By providing individual mentorship and incentive programs, students are able to participate in sports camps, team building activities, food drives and many other activities which keep them off the street, out of gangs and focused on their success. This program has been a great success for the students, families and helped forge a strong partnership between law enforcement and the community that we are privileged to serve.
The Placentia Police Explorer Post has been active since 1982. The program involves youth from 14 to 21 years old, and currently has 11 registered Explorers. In 2019, they volunteered approximately 200 hours of their time to different events held throughout the city and county. These events range from simple training sessions to large scale city events that require the coordination of hundreds of law enforcement Explorers from all over the county. As the Explorer Post grows, the responsibilities of the Explorers grow too. In 2019, we successfully promoted three Explorers to leadership positions and within these roles they assist the program advisors with day to day activities allowing further growth of the program. Many members of our department were once explorers, including the Chief of Police.
The Placentia Police Citizen’s Academy meets once per week for a total of ten weeks. These classes are provided to citizens of Placentia who want a better understanding of the various functions within the Police Department. Citizen students get hands on training provided by Placentia Police Officers and Professional Staff. Classes include a department overview of job classification and function, basic requirements for police officers, introductions to the Traffic Division, K9 Unit and demonstration, Detective assignments and functions, Swat, and various community policing efforts. Our students range from retirees, business owners or individuals who are interested in law enforcement and public safety services. Upon the completion of the ten week course there is a graduation ceremony where students receive a plaque. We are currently completing Class #6 and we generally administer two classes per year. In the future, we plan on hosting an all-Spanish speaking Citizen’s Academy.
October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
It is safe to say that almost every employee knows someone courageously undergoing cancer treatment or is undergoing a fight against cancer themselves. As a team, we support those who’ve been diagnosed with this life-altering illness, and sadly, those we’ve even had to lay to rest whose lives were taken too soon. Lives may be lost, but cancer never wins.

The Pink Patch Project is an innovative public awareness campaign designed to bring attention to the fight against breast cancer and to support breast cancer research organizations in combating this devastating disease. Hundreds of agencies have partnered together to combat breast cancer by raising public awareness about the importance of early detection in the fight against the disease and to raise funds for breast cancer research and treatment. The program centers on pink versions of our uniform shoulder patch and this year, focuses on Placentia being the “All America City.” Although not required, officers are encouraged to participate during the month of October and switch out the patches on their patrol uniforms.

April is Autism Awareness Month.
Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is a developmental disorder that can cause significant social, communication and behavioral challenges. There is often nothing about how people with ASD look that sets them apart from other people, but people with ASD may communicate, interact, behave, and learn in ways that are different from most other people. The learning, thinking, and problem-solving abilities of people with ASD can range from gifted to severely challenged. Some people with ASD need a lot of help in their daily lives; others need less.

The Autism Awareness Project is aimed at raising public attention to develop an understanding of the condition, acceptance, and appreciation of difference in others.

Autism affects an estimated 1 in 59 children in the United States today. The puzzle pattern reflects the complexity of the autism spectrum. The different colors and shapes represent the diversity of the people and families living with the condition.

The Placentia Police Department would like to honor those with autism, along with the families, teachers, therapists, doctors and health care providers, who dedicate themselves daily to help those with their unique challenges.
Tip-A-Cop is one of the many fundraising programs for the Special Olympics. The Placentia Police Department, along with the law enforcement community in general, has a longstanding relationship with the Special Olympics. Police Departments collaborate with area restaurants to hold Special Olympics fundraisers on specific dates, hosted by one or more restaurants. Officers and Special Olympics athletes meet and greet customers, help the restaurant staff with delivering the food orders and participants enjoy the positive interaction with the public.

Customers are encouraged to “tip a cop” for their service in the form of a tax-deductible donation, one hundred percent of which will go to the Special Olympics program. The Placentia Police Department sets up a static display, including the K-9 Unit, Motor Officers, and Police cars. This is a great opportunity where the community can enjoy great food, interaction with Placentia Officers and Special Olympics athletes, and at the same time, support a great cause. The Placentia Police Department is honored to participate in promoting Special Olympics. PPD is proud to have raised thousands of dollars in the past few years for this special cause.
The Law Enforcement Torch Run is an annual campaign to benefit the Special Olympics. It began in 1981 and since has grown to be the largest fundraising movement for the Special Olympics. The Torch Run consists of scheduled running relay events, usually held in conjunction and coordination with Special Olympics functions, such as the Special Olympics Summer and Winter Games.

The event is run by Police Officers, Sheriff’s Deputies, Correction Officers, Support Staff, Police Volunteers and other law enforcement professionals from around the world. Around 97,000 Police professionals in over 45 countries participate in this worldwide effort to raise money and awareness for Special Olympics. Participants in the LETR help spread the word about the benefits of Special Olympics and how the programs help to support the brave and inspirational athletes of these programs. The PPD’s route goes by Tuffree Middle School, George Key Elementary and Golden Elementary, and are cheered on by staff and students.
THIS ANNUAL REPORT IS DEDICATED TO HOMICIDE VICTIMS

Audrey and Sarah

04/17/2011 - 10/07/2020