



Chief's Message ... William J. Bratton, Chief of Police

As we move into the last half of 2007, I want to update you on the progress of our number one Department goal, reducing crime and the fear of crime. At the beginning of the year, I announced that after four straight years of crime reductions, we could achieve another 5-percent drop during the first six months of 2007. While some

questioned that strategy, I never doubted your ability and desire to prove the critics wrong. At a recent news conference with Mayor Villaraigosa, I was able to announce that as of June 30th, all Part One crime categories, with the exception of Burglary Theft from Vehicles, are down, and some are down significantly.

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Mobile Field Force Doctrine Training

Within weeks of the incident in MacArthur Park on May 1st, the new Incident Management and Training Bureau (IMTB,) was created and implemented. Led by Deputy Chief Michael Hillmann, IMTB has been working on its most urgent order of business, 21st Century Mobile Field Force Doctrine Training, ever since.

Designed to provide modern crowd management training to all Department uniform personnel, the training sessions are being conducted by Area at the Joint Forces

Training Base in Los Alamitos. The day of training is information-rich and consists of 3.5 hours of classroom instruction and 5.5 hours of practical application in the field.

The classroom lecture portion takes place in the facility's auditorium. Some of the topics covered include crowd management and control strategies, public assemblies and the First Amendment, legal consequences of unlawful assemblies and failure to disperse, psychological influences on crowd behavior, and Use of Force policy and scenarios. Speakers in the classroom session have included Deputy Chief Hillmann, Captain John Incontro and Sergeant Timothy Colomey.

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Each of you has worked tirelessly fighting crime in Los Angeles. The following chart gives you a snapshot of violent, gang and overall crime in each of the City's 19 Geographic Area's during the first six months of 2007.

AREA	HOMICIDES	VIOLENT CRIME	PART I CRIME	GANG CRIME
77TH	-29%	-13%	-4%	-0.5%
Central	-78%	-33%	-32%	-50.7%
Devonshire	-80%	-10%	-1%	5.5%
Foothill	-45%	19%	9%	25.5%
Harbor	125%	11%	4%	12.3%
Hollenbeck	40%	-19%	-12%	-10.5%
Hollywood	75%	11%	3%	0.8%
Mission	-11%	1%	6%	-15.5%
Newton	4%	-4%	-10%	20.2%
N. Hollywood	0%	4%	0%	31.6%
Northeast	-31%	1%	-4%	-10.9%
Pacific	-75%	-11%	1%	2.5%
Rampart	-57%	5%	1%	10.8%
SOUTHEAST	-55%	-14%	-3%	-17.9%
SOUTHWEST	-18%	-16%	-8%	-4.7%
Van Nuys	43%	3%	-5%	44.9%
West LA	0%	-15%	-4%	-22.2%
W. Valley	-20%	-9%	4%	1.1%
WILSHIRE	-27%	-10%	-4%	-26.4%

When I became your Chief nearly 5 years ago, I made crime reduction a top priority. I've challenged you each year to continue to make the city's streets safer and you have never let me down. You, the men and women of the LAPD, have proven that hard work, dedication, and consistent, compassionate and constitutional policing have made the City of Los Angeles a safer place to work and live in, and to visit.

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When I announced the good news, I was able to share some remarkable examples of lives that have been saved. Homicides had dropped a total of 21%, which meant 50 lives were saved citywide during the first six months of this year, compared to

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Mobile Field Force Doctrine Training *Continued from front cover*

The practical exercises are conducted in the residential section of the base, which is currently not in regular use. A neighborhood-like setting consisting of abandoned housing structures, this area is isolated from the working areas of the base, offering an entire “community” of streets on which to conduct the tactical exercises. This curriculum consists of arrest and control tactics, dismounted squad formations, mobile tactics, and mass arrest procedures and processing.

This training day is mandatory for all officers, supervisors and command officers. All Areas have been scheduled and participants can expect to receive scheduling information from their Commanding Officers. Thus far, Central,

Hollywood, Rampart and West Los Angeles Areas have received their training.

Participants are encouraged to dress comfortably and wear sunscreen, as the afternoon is spent in the outdoors. Cold drinks are

provided on-site, and the Police Protective League generously provides a brown bag lunch to all participants.

The overall

response to Mobile Field Force Doctrine Training has been very enthusiastic, with officers remarking the training in the field, in particular, was “the fun part,” and “just like the old days.” In addition to being a valuable learning experience, it is also an opportunity for Area personnel to spend a day together and enjoy the camaraderie. □

THE SEPTEMBER 2007 SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

September 4, 2007	Van Nuys
September 11, 2007	Wilshire
September 18, 2007	Newton
September 25, 2007	Southwest



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the same time period in 2006. While the numbers look good on paper, and make for positive headlines, the crime reductions restore hope and show that positive change can take place in our communities. I commend you for not only protecting and serving, but for helping to restore faith among a weary and uncertain public.

With these encouraging declines in crime, residents of L.A. began their summer with good news, and we have been able to feel a sense of pride in a job well done. Naturally, however, the work of any police force is never done. We still have a way to go to deliver on our goal of a total 5% reduction by the end of the year. Simply put: keep doing what you're doing. Our

declining crime levels are the product of strategic, professional, dedicated police work, and evidence of our commitment to the communities we serve.

Moving on to another matter, I began this message with a reference to the Six-Month Crime Update news conference. It was the media that communicated the good news of all of your hard work. We need the media to tell our stories, good and bad. It is up to each and every one of us to work with the media when we are called upon to do so.

Since the incident at MacArthur Park, the Department has been examining our protocols with respect to the media and

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Anthony Pacheco Elected as President of the Los Angeles Police Commission

by Tami Catania

In a unanimous vote on Tuesday, July 31, 2007, the Los Angeles Police Commission elected Anthony Pacheco to the position of President, and John W. Mack to the position of



*Police Commission
President
Anthony Pacheco*

Vice President. All five Police Commissioners, Anthony Pacheco, Alan Skobin, Shelley Freeman, John W. Mack, and Andrea Sheridan Ordin, were appointed to the

Police Commission by Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa in July, 2005. John W. Mack held the President's position for the last two years.

"I am honored to hold this position and look forward to continued service to the community," stated Police Commission President Anthony

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL Jack Webb Awards

On Saturday, September 8, 2007, the Los Angeles Police Historical Society will celebrate its Fourteenth Annual Jack Webb Awards at the Sheraton Universal, which will be presided by James Ellroy. The annual awards presentation was created in honor of the legendary show host Jack Webb and recognizes his devotion to the Los Angeles Police Department and law enforcement. Awards are presented in his name and seek to honor those whose contributions are noteworthy and sustaining.

This year's awardees have made extraordinary contributions to the community, and include San Fernando Valley's Jane Boeckmann. She is the

President of World of Communications, a publishing firm that specializes in local interest magazines. Boeckmann serves on the boards of the Museum of Natural History, the Economic Alliance of the San Fernando Valley, the Valley Industry and Commerce Association, and is a Commissioner for First Five LA.

In recognition for his over 51 years of service, LAPD Detective Jack Giroud will be presented the Jack Webb Award. Also known as "Mr. Robbery," Jack's



*Detective
Jack Giroud*

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Pacheco. "The last two years on the Police Commission have given me an in-depth understanding of the important issues facing the LAPD. I am eager to accept this leadership position and use it as an opportunity to address the issues that impact all residents of Los

Angeles in one way or another - issues such as gang violence, community-police relations, Consent Decree compliance, and homelessness."

"Along with my fellow Police Commissioners, we will continue to

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looking at how best to work with them while at the same time performing our duties protecting the people of Los Angeles. We have been conducting this examination in a number of different ways, some of which have included:

- Meeting with media representatives on the Sunday following the May Day Rally to discuss what occurred in MacArthur Park, and what immediate changes the Department should consider making with regards to policing public demonstrations and protecting the First Amendment rights of the media.
- Meeting with representatives from the Radio & Television News Association of Southern California to discuss issues

of concern to their membership, particularly media access at crime scenes and media credentialing.

- Hosting a gathering of managers of local television and radio stations, major print publications, wire services, and network news bureaus to discuss the events of May Day and to discuss ways to train together and improve the working relationship between Department personnel and journalists.
- Reviewing the *Crespo Decision*, the settlement agreement between the City of Los Angeles and members of the media regarding the media's right to cover First Amendment-protected demonstrations and rallies.

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On the Beat . . . Southwest Area

LAPD Officers Save the Life of an 18-Year-Old Girl in Full Cardiac Arrest

Responding to a Domestic Violence radio call near the intersection of Martin Luther King and Crenshaw Boulevards on Saturday, July 28, 2007, at around 1:15 p.m., Southwest Area Community Police Station Sergeant Adrian Moody, Officer John Biondo and Officer Daniel Jara attempted to diffuse the situation. While the officers were at the scene, an 18 year-old female, unrelated to the call for service, went into full cardiac arrest. The officers rushed to the girl's aid and found that she had no pulse

and was not breathing.

Without hesitation or protective medical supplies, the officers quickly initiated Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation. After several attempts to revitalize the girl, the officers were finally able to re-establish her pulse and breathing. The officers stabilized the girl until paramedics arrived and transported her to a local hospital where she recovered.

As officers often times receive calls after injuries have occurred, Officer Biondo said that it was very gratifying

to be able to be there for the young girl and assist her. Humble and modest, the officer made light of their heroic actions by stating they only did what anyone else would have done. □

Anthony Pacheco Elected as President

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promote independent civilian oversight and reform of the Department," continued President Pacheco. "I want to thank John Mack for his leadership and vision as the Commission's past President."

President Pacheco is a partner with the international law firm of Proskauer Rose. He is Deputy Chair of his firm's Corporate Defense and Investigation's practice group. For approximately five years, President Pacheco served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Central District of California. President Pacheco graduated from Princeton University with a B.A. degree in History, and from the University of Michigan Law School with a J.D. □

CRIME WATCH CITYWIDE

YEAR TO DATE - 8/25/07

Homicide	- 16.8%	▼
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Robbery	- 6.0%	▼
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Our findings from this period of examination have been helpful and informative. We have made some changes, and many more are in the works. Among these changes:

- Public Information Officers (PIO) are to be clearly identifiable at events. We have begun using LAPD PIO-branded vests to visibly identify PIOs at gatherings. On sight, a member of the media can now easily recognize and locate a PIO.
- In the event of unlawful assembly, we must designate a media viewing area in the immediate vicinity in order for the media to witness, report, and record the gathering for their organizations.

- Training Division is modifying and improving modern media relations training for recruits and tailoring it for the post-MacArthur Park era.

Additionally, the Public Information Office participated in the training sessions conducted for both Metro Division and Command Staff, updating both groups on current media relations principles and techniques. We are looking into updating the training at supervisor schools and Watch Commanders' schools, and we are considering bringing the media in to participate in future sessions.

The media response to our outreach has been positive.

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Medal of Valor Night at Dodger Stadium

Thousands of Dodgers fans packed the stadium on Friday, August 3, 2007, to cheer on LAPD's finest. Greeted by a standing ovation and roaring round of applause, Medal of Valor recipients Officer Rudy Barragan, Detective Alberto Junco, Officer Guy Dobine, Detective Mark Pursel, Officer Marco Briones, Officer John Porras, Sergeant Albert Gavin, Officer James Tuck, Sergeant Jeffery Wenninger, Officer Joseph Meyer, Sergeant Jose Castellanos, Detective Sandy Kim, Sergeant Miguel Lopez, Officer Arturo Perez, Officer Stephen Diaz, Deputy Gerald Jackson, Officer Jude Washington, and Kenyard Bilal were recognized on the stadium field. Officer Walter Kesterson was also acknowledged for receiving the Medal of Valor posthumously, as well as a special appearance was made by Officer Kristina Ripatti. □



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prowess as a robbery investigator is unrivaled. He has served as a mentor and instructor to hundreds of officers and detectives in the City and the State of California and is founder of the California Robbery Investigators Association.

Also receiving the 2007 Jack Webb Award is the original cast and crew of the hit TV show CSI. The show has captured and held the public's interest for many years and has

played an integral role in renewing the public's interest in police work.

For more information or to purchase tickets for the event, please contact the Los Angeles Police Historical Society at (323) 344-9445.



Officers Kristina Rippati and Tim Pearce presented Jane Boeckmann with the 2007 Jack Webb Award in recognition of Jane's sustained support of law enforcement. Bestselling author James Ellroy was the host of the ceremonies



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Members of the media have been very generous of themselves and their time, and many have indicated an interest in participating in some of our future training sessions.

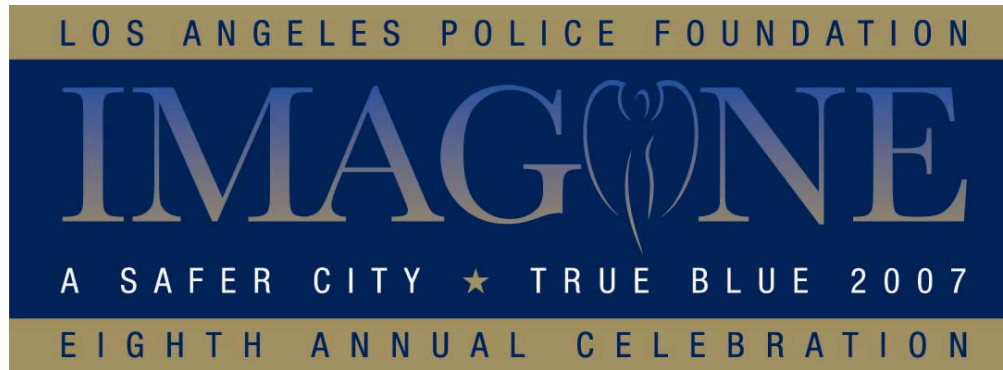
What is now clearer than ever is **we must have a positive working relationship with the media**, and we must never breach this relationship. Understand the media is not our enemy and, in many instances, they are critical to our success. The media is our single best vehicle for informing the public and for appealing to the public on our behalf when we need information. Many crimes have been solved as a result of media attention.

Every contact with the media, and in particular that first

contact, should be a positive one. This is extremely important at crime scenes. The media is not to be artificially barred from covering news, ever. They have the right to be in any area where the public is allowed to be. The media has a job to do and we have to let them.

Lastly, the key for success with the media lies in communication. When working with the media, do what is possible to facilitate their needs. In maintaining this relationship and keeping it healthy, our work can only be positively impacted. In facilitating the needs of the media, you facilitate the needs of the Department.

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8TH ANNUAL TRUE BLUE

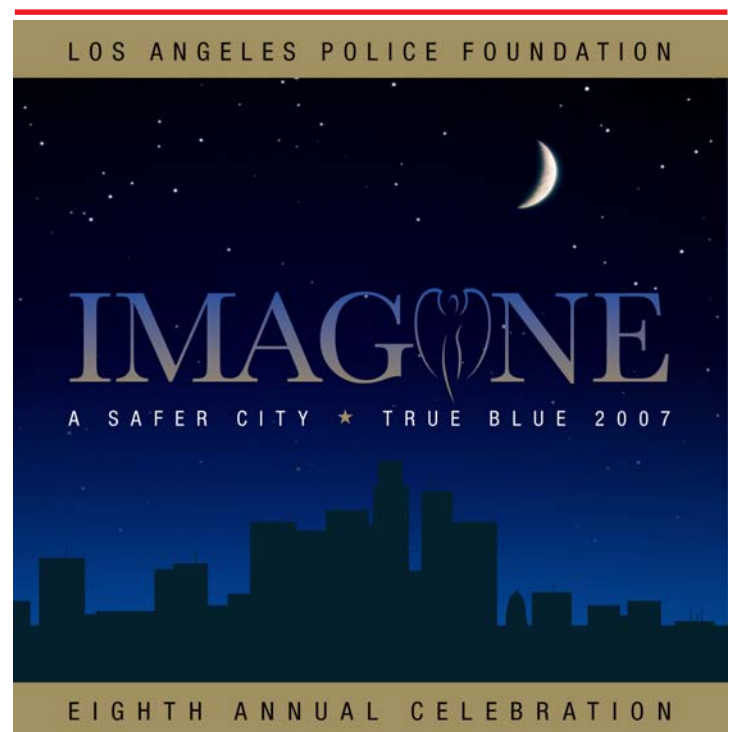
A star filled evening in support of the Los Angeles Police Department. On Saturday, September 29, 2007, at 6:30 p.m. the Los Angeles Police Foundation will be hosting its 8th Annual True Blue fundraiser at Paramount Studios in Hollywood. Chief Bratton will be in attendance, as well as film industry supporters, celebrities, and community/business leaders.

The event will feature 2007 honoree Brian Grazer, producer and co-founder of Imagine Entertainment, as well as showcase the presentation of the 2007 Crystal Angel Award winners. The Crystal Angel Award honors LAPD officers who demonstrate exceptional compassion and personal commitment to their community while on or off duty. Award winners are nominated by their colleagues at LAPD.

Guests are invited to dine under the stars, enjoy unique shopping opportunities with the live and silent auction, and view demonstrations by various LAPD units such as the bomb squad, K-9 unit, the mounted platoon, and SWAT.

The Los Angeles Police Foundation was formed in 1998 to fund urgently needed programs and equipment for the Los Angeles Police Department. More than \$4 million in over 200 hundred grants has been awarded to the Department to date, and the needs

are growing. The 8th Annual True Blue event is open to the public. Tickets are \$350.00 per person. To purchase tickets call, (213) 489-4636.



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Nobody knows the amount of pressure that comes with being a cop more than I do. We are asked to do work that is dangerous and are often second-guessed. We are constantly under a media microscope and are criticized after the fact for life and death decisions. I am asking you to make our crime numbers drop further and perform the myriad other aspects of

your job to Department standards, all while remaining media-friendly at any given moment. I know I am asking a lot, but this is what comes with being a member of this great organization, protecting and serving our city. I know of no other group of people better equipped or more capable of doing so. □

2007 Women's Leadership Conference

Once again, the Los Angeles Police Department will be presenting its Women's Leadership Conference on Wednesday, October 24, 2007, at the Hilton Los Angeles Hotel in Universal City between 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The conference whose theme is "Leadership through Vision" was started in 1999 to assist, encourage, and support female Department

employees in promoting to leadership positions.

Attendees will be given the opportunity to identify challenges and obstacles in their promotional efforts and to identify topics that would prove useful in their career development. Guest speakers from across the country will be on hand to discuss the rewards and challenges of becoming a leader.

Conference attendance has been expanded to include female civilian and male employees. This year's event will accommodate over 1,000 Department sworn and civilian personnel.

Pre-registration is mandatory. For more information regarding the event, please contact Sergeant John Vasquez, Office of Support Services, at (213) 473-6635. □



24th Annual National Night Out

Angelenos across the City joined the Los Angeles Police Department and the National

crime prevention, and neighborhood camaraderie. Traditionally, "light on" and front porch vigils have been ways

to participate in the annual event, however, activities have expanded to include block parties, police station

Association of Town Watch, as well as hundreds of other communities throughout the nation to participate in the 24th Annual National Night Out on the evening of Tuesday, August 7, 2007. Community members united with their neighbors and area police stations in an effort to fight crime and take back their streets.

Conceived in 1984, the National Association of Town Watch introduced National Night Out as a means to promote police-community partnerships,



[Clockwise from top left] Hollywood Area Explorers Teresa Guitron, Henry Canjura, Juan Beltran, and Steve Merlo are ready for the big night.

open houses, festivals, safety fairs and neighborhood walks.

The Department hosted a variety of activities throughout the City, including candlelight vigils, peace marches, community barbecues, meetings and rallies. Also joining in the festivities were Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, Councilmember Tom LaBonge, Councilmember Ed P. Reyes, Councilmember Herb Wesson and Council President Eric Garcetti. □



RECENT ACTIONS BY THE POLICE COMMISSION

JULY 10 The Commission received a briefing on the events that occurred at Leimert Park on June 23rd. Tension grew throughout the day between the two groups who were there to protest on opposing views on immigration. Eventually officers formed a line between the two groups to maintain safety. Chief Michael Hillmann provided an overview of the 21st Century Mobile Field Force Training to the Commissioners.

JULY 31: The Commission unanimously elected Anthony Pacheco to the post of President, and John W. Mack to the post of Vice President. All Commissioners thanked Commissioners Mack and Skobin for their service during the last two years as President and Vice President, respectively. The Commission asked the Department to report back on additional funding methods for obtaining replacement ASTRO radios.

CRIME WATCH CITYWIDE (YEAR TO DATE - 7/28/07)

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ROLL CALL OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2007

6:00 P.M.

LOS ANGELES POLICE HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2007 JACK WEBB AWARDS

Sheraton Universal
333 Universal Terrace Pkwy
Universal City, CA 91608
(323) 344-9445

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2007

6:00 P.M.

LOS ANGELES POLICE FOUNDATION 8TH ANNUAL TRUE BLUE

Paramount Studios
5555 Melrose Avenue
Hollywood, CA 90038
(213) 489-4636

MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2007

11:30 A.M.

16TH ANNUAL ACCESS AWARDS LUNCHEON

The New Otani Hotel & Garden
120 South Los Angeles Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 974-1053

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2007

7:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

LAPD'S WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2007

Hilton Los Angeles/Universal City Hotel
555 Universal Hollywood Drive
Universal City, CA 91608
(213) 473-6635

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2007

7:00 P.M. – 12:00 A.M.

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

Los Angeles Downtown Marriott Hotel
333 S Figueroa St
Los Angeles, CA 90071
(213) 489-4636

THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL WERE COMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY IN THE MONTH OF JULY 2007

RESERVE CHAPLAIN

Edward Beardsley

Tom Gandara
Adolfo Godinez
Alan Gilmer
Anna Mullins
Alex Rodriguez

POLICE OFFICER I

Peter Correa

POLICE OFFICER II

Sammy Cruz
Rogelio DeLa Cruz Jr.
Jason Garcia
Brett E. Goodkin
Dan Hadfield
Shawn Hetherington
David Kim
Rod Levalley
Lazaro Ortega
Gina Onweiler
Kenny Phillippe
James Schwedler
James Stoughton
Kevin Talbert
Rudi Villarreal

DETECTIVE II

Lorenzo Barbosa
Christine Beltran
Benjamin Black
James Jarvis
Ralph Morton

SERGEANT I

Leonard Christian
Elizabeth Ellis
Stephen Roussell
Edgar Villalta

SERGEANT II

Michael Apodaca
Sunil Dutta
Michael Porter
Dan Putz
John Russo
Marianus Von Korff

POLICE OFFICER III

Dorrick Davis
Scott De Witt
Joel Frias
Hendley Hawkins
Edward Kinney
Jason Liguori
Julie Nony
Carol Sawamura
Marston Taylor
Jerrold Wert
Janet Zumstein

DETECTIVE III

Troy Bybee
Jim Hays

LIEUTENANT II

John Peters

CAPTAIN II

Fabian Lizarrago

DETECTIVE I

Alberto Cruz
Lydia Dillard

CAPTAIN III

John Sherman