

<u>Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department</u> Information For Nevada Vision Stakeholder Group

Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department

The Strategic Plan Overview

Vision: To be the safest community in America

Mission: Protect the community through prevention, partnership and professional service.

<u>Values:</u> Integrity, Courage, Accountability, Respect for People, Excellence.

<u>Goals:</u> Prevent reduce and disrupt crime and terrorism. Recruit train and develop our people. Initiate timely and open communication. Develop and implement solutions to improve traffic safety. Effectively use innovation and technology.

Jurisdiction(FY 2009/2010)

- 7,560 Square Miles located within Clark County Nevada.
- 1,432,590 Jurisdiction Population.
- 1,925,040 Clark County Population.
- 36,351,469 Tourist Volume.

Sworn and Civilian Personnel(FY 2009/2010)

- 2,981 Sworn Officers.
- 828 Corrections Officers.
- 1,831 Civilian Personnel.
- 2.06 Officers per 1,000 residents.

Performance Measures (FY 2009/2010)

- 459,544 Calls for service.
- 4.8 minutes average response time for emergency calls.
- 192,878 Adult Arrests in 2009.
- 16,350 Juvenile Arrests in 2009.
- 418,448 Traffic Citations Issued.
- 24,475 Traffic Accidents Investigated.

Clark County Detention Center.

- 73,264 Incarcerations.
- 16.3 Average length of Incarceration.
- 3,707 Daily Average in Custody.

Budget (FY 2009/2010)

- \$549,236,984 Police Operations Total Expenses.
- \$209,427,563 Detention Operations Expenses.
- 39.4% Contribution by Clark County.
- 25% Contribution by City of Las Vegas.
- 30.4% LVMPD Property Tax.
- 5.2% Other Contributions.
- 87.1% Salaries and Benefits.
- 11.8% Supplies and Services.
- 1.1% other expenses.

Large Scale Events (FY 2009/2010)

- New Years Eve.
- NASCAR.
- Las Vegas Marathon.
- National Finals Rodeo.

Biggest Strategic Issues

- Homeland Security
- Traffic Safety
- Continued Crime Reduction
- Detention Services
- Budgetary Issues

Homeland Security

The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, like other police departments, federal agencies, and the nation as a whole had to adjust to the circumstances of September 11, 2001. We entered into a new arena - dealing with terrorism at the local law enforcement level. The Department's Homeland Security Division is comprised of the Airport Bureau, Organized Crime Bureau, and the Homeland Security Bureau. The Southern Nevada Counter-Terrorism Center (Fusion Center) serves as the State of Nevada's designated Fusion Center and is housed with the Homeland Security Bureau.

In conjunction with our department's coordinated efforts with our state and federal counterparts, the Department has committed additional personnel to supporting the

national effort against terrorism via the Southern Nevada Joint Terrorism Task Force. We have also harnessed the flexibility and ingenuity of officers in our newly created counter-terrorism section, our existing criminal intelligence section, technical and surveillance section, and our special investigations section in an all encompassing evaluation of community wide sources of information in the war against terrorism. Below is a brief outline of our Homeland Security Bureau:

The LVMPD **Homeland Security Bureau** has six main sections/functions; (1) Counter-Terrorism Section; (2) the Emergency Management Section; (3) the Deployment Operations Center (DOC); (4) the All Regional Multi-Agency Operations and Response Section (ARMOR); (5) the Southern Nevada Counter Terrorism Center (SNCTC); (6) and the Silver Shield Section (Nevada's Critical Infrastructure Protection Program).

The Counter-Terrorism Section

The section is primarily responsible for the suppression and the prevention of terrorist acts through intelligence gathering, enforcement of terrorist related crimes, disseminating this information to the department, and supporting the enforcement by other units of the department. Work with other department units and the federal agencies responsible for homeland security. Participations in the federal Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF), along with other law enforcement agencies; a task force led by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This section is responsible for coordination of intelligence related to dignitary protection.

The Emergency Management Section

The section is responsible for serving as the principal advisor to the department on unusual occurrences, planning for response to unusual occurrences, maintaining liaison with other emergency management authorities and coordinating any department emergency plans with those affected agencies.

The Deployment Operations Center (DOC)

The center serves as an information clearing house to receive, analyze and disseminate actionable intelligence to department decision makers, officers and investigators. The five-fold task of the DOC is to provide real-time investigative support to officers and investigators at the scene of priority incidents; identify and track emerging and existing crime series; project and evaluate Targeted Enforcement Areas; monitor local, state, national and international events; and provide research and analysis to the LVMPD. In addition, the Central Crime Analysis Unit is assigned to this unit and is responsible for the dissemination of data in a timely manner to assist operational personnel in meeting their crime control and

prevention objectives, and providing useful information to managers for the department's long-range planning.

The All Regional Multi-Agency Operations and Response (ARMOR) Section

This section is responsible for response to all hazardous incidents which include, but are not limited to: chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, explosive, and incendiary devices. ARMOR provides rapid assessment of suspicious substances, proper handling of hazmat incidents (criminal intent), proper disposal of unsafe material, and render-safe/mitigation of all explosive related incidents. The section also investigates each incident including investigation of criminal activity, forensic crime scene investigation, and prosecution support for cases arising out of those incidents.

The Southern Nevada Counter Terrorism Center (SNCTC)

Serves as the fusion between participating public safety agencies to provide resources, expertise, and information to maximize their ability to detect, prevent, investigate, and respond to all crimes and all hazards in the greater Clark County, Southern Nevada Region. The SNCTC is the regional hub for receiving information, providing analysis and dissemination of actionable intelligence.

The Silver Shield Section (NCIPP)

The section provides the unifying structure for the integration of existing and future critical infrastructure and key resource protection efforts. The NCIPP serves to comply with the State of Nevada's mandatory reporting laws for emergency response plans and provides state and local community leaders with the requisite information to make informed decisions during times of crisis.

Traffic Safety

A major concern for the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department is traffic safety. In 2009 there were 85 fatal traffic accidents in our jurisdiction. This is a 24% decrease from 2008 when there were 112 fatalities. Some of the strategies used by The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department to increase traffic safety include the following;

• Public service announcements to increase public awareness of both pedestrian and motor vehicle hazards.

- The "Move-it" program to expedite removal of accidents from the roadway. This decreases congestion and prevents further accidents.
- Enhanced DUI enforcement through education, the "Every Fifteen Minutes Program", increased check points, and the use of a mobile DUI van.
- A Multi Jurisdictional Traffic Enforcement Initiative, which uses the combined resources of local jurisdictions to increase the enforcement of traffic laws.
- Improved cooperation with the District Attorney's office to increase successful prosecutions for serious traffic violations and repeat offenders.
- Increased training for LVMPD officers that includes Horizontal Gaze Nystagmous, radar use, and breathalyzer equipment.
- Push for legislative changes to increase traffic safety such as a primary seatbelt law, and red light camera enforcement. AB 417 was passed during the 2007 legislative Session. This bill restricts passing on the right and makes it illegal to cross solid white lines on the freeway.
- Support for community services and the LVMPD crossing guard program. We currently employ over 350 crossing guards.
- Utilize the latest technology to increase traffic safety. The LVMPD attends the annual Traffic Data Conference, and partners with other agencies on new technology. Our traffic training unit also researches current trends in traffic safety.
- LVMPD hosts a monthly Traffic Engineering meeting which includes County, City, State, and other local government entities. Information is exchanged at these meetings to enhance traffic safety through road repair, engineering, signage, etc...

Continued Crime Reduction

The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department continues to work to reduce crime. The following page contains an overview of crime statistics for our jurisdiction for 2009.

INDEX CRIMES REPORTED TO POLICE

January - December 2009

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES (Part 1 Classes)	Jan to Dec 2009		Same Period Last Year (2008)		CRIME RATE % CHANGE	Same Period 5 Years ago (2004)		CRIME RATE % CHANGE
	Actual Occurred	Crime Rate per 100,000 Population	Actual Occurred	Crime Rate per 100,000 Population	2008 to 2009	Actual Occurred	Crime Rate per 100,000 Population	2004 to 2009
Murder and non-negligent Manslaughter	113	7.23	120	7.94	-9.0%	132	10.16	-28.8%
Forcible Rape	699	44.70	729	48.24	-7.3%	605	46.54	-4.0%
Robbery	4,494	287.42	4,932	326.33	-11.9%	3,729	286.89	0.2%
Aggravated Assault (felony)	7,735	494.70	7,543	499.10	-0.9%	5,318	409.13	20.9%
Burglary	13,512	864.17	14,902	986.02	-12.4%	14,224	1094.31	-21.0%
Larceny - Theft	25,229	1613.53	26,856	1776.97	-9.2%	29,265	2251.47	-28.3%
Auto Theft	8,927	570.93	11,402	754.43	-24.3%	16,165	1243.63	-54.1%
CRIME INDEX TOTAL	60,709	3,882.67	66,484	4,399.03	-11.7%	69,438	5,342.13	-27.3%
Crimes Against Persons Total	13,041	834.04	13,324	881.61	-5.4%	9,784	752.72	10.8%
Crimes Against Property Total	47,668	3,048.63	53,160	3517.42	-13.3%	59,654	4,589.41	-33.6%
Population	1,563,589		1,511,334		3.5%	1,299,819		20.3%

Detention Services

The Clark County Detention Center (CCDC) is a new generation, Direct Inmate Supervision facility located in downtown Las Vegas. The current capacity for the Detention Center is 3400 inmates. The inmates are housed in one of 56 housing modules, depending on the classification of the inmate. The classification of an inmate is determined by current charges, previous charges, institutional behavior, and special needs. The housing modules are separated into minimum, medium, close, and maximum/disciplinary classifications. In addition to the housing modules, the ground floor of the Detention Center also houses arrestees that have recently been booked into the facility. The CCDC is responsible for all persons arrested for felony and misdemeanor crime within Clark County and persons arrested on federal charges. There are approximately 200 - 225 arrestees booked into the Detention Center on a daily basis. The average cost per day to house an inmate at CCDC is approximately \$ 115.00 dollars. There are 828 Corrections Officers assigned to the facility. Overcrowding of the jail facility is the biggest issue facing the detention center. The Clark County Detention facility currently exceeds capacity by approximately 300 beds as measured by the average daily population. There has been an ongoing effort to increase bed capacity and prevent overcrowding. Some of these efforts are:

- Contract bed space in Henderson, North Las Vegas, City of Las Vegas, and Lincoln County at approximate cost of \$102 per day per inmate.
- Use of cots in several housing units.
- Temporary housing in the Booking Holding area.
- House arrest allowing inmates to serve their sentences under electronic monitoring/supervision.
- Use of Own Recognizance (O/R) release to inmates that meet very specific criteria.

Budgetary Issues

The economic downturn in our state has had a significant impact on the operations and resources of The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department. Listed below are some of the steps LVMPD has taken to absorb the declines:

Fiscal Year 2010:

- 0% increase to LVMPD budget
- Elimination of 26 commissioned positions

- Lower labor contract increases than in past years
- Reduction in services and supplies by over 12%
- Reduction in capital by 126.5% over previous year

Fiscal Year 2011:

- Elimination of 30 commissioned positions
- Elimination of 116 civilian positions
- Elimination of 26 temporary positions
- Downgrade 48 commissioned and 2 civilian positions
- Reduction of field Training Program
- Reduction in travel and training
- Reduction of Air Unit flight times
- Delay opening of new Southwest Area Command
- Defer replacement of vehicles
- Reduce overtime by 15%