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New Airport Community Policing Program Proves to Be a Quick Success

Earlier this year, the LAXPD completed the implementation of its new senior lead officer (SLO) program by deploying SLOs to each of its three patrol watches, and the community feedback is overwhelmingly positive.

“LAAPOA has long supported the establishment of an SLO program in keeping with modern policing best practices, and Patrol Captain Fernando Castro deserves special recognition for his instrumental role in pushing this program through,” says LAAPOA President Marshall McClain. “SLOs play a key role in effective community policing, and we want to see this program grow and thrive.”

As a multi-jurisdictional agency serving Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties, the police force of Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) is the fourth-largest agency in Los Angeles County and one of the largest airport police departments in the nation. LAWA is the City of Los Angeles department that owns and operates a system of three airports: Los Angeles International (LAX), LA/Ontario International (ONT) and Van Nuys

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The City Charter and Voters Are Clear About LAXPD Autonomy — So Let's Move On

Challenges to the autonomy of the Los Angeles Airport Police Department persist, even though the City charter protects its separate status, voters have repeatedly supported it, and independent studies have consistently recommended that LAXPD not be merged with the LAPD. These ongoing battles waste municipal resources and distract from the primary mission of protecting the traveling public.

Los Angeles Airport Police: A Full-Service Agency

The Airport Police Department has taken on more responsibilities as it has grown over time, responding to new challenges and opportunities by evolving into a truly full-service agency with an array of specialized units to protect the traveling public.



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(VNY). Because LAWA's properties extend beyond the airports' boundaries, its officers are responsible for patrolling and interacting with the community and businesses in and around the airports. For example, LAXPD patrol areas for LAX reach north to Manchester Avenue, south to Imperial Highway, east to La Cienega Boulevard and west to the beach, and include the busy corridor of Century Boulevard.

Each SLO serves an important function as the main contact person and "face" of the airport police for their designated patrol, forming partnerships both inside and outside the airport facilities through direct contact and outreach efforts. They provide a critical link to facilitate two-way information sharing about ongoing issues specific to airport operations and the greater aviation community. With a deep knowledge of available resources and how they can be applied to the community's needs, SLOs coordinate their area's patrol efforts by monitoring crime trends; assisting with radio calls; and attending neighborhood council, neighborhood watch group and airport tenant meetings.

After just a few months, the original six SLOs have grown to 12 at LAX, with the program showing strong results and receiving rave reviews from stakeholders. SLOs have conducted training courses for airport tenants (such as recent active shooter, crime awareness and emergency communications training), and more sessions are planned to help reach the airport's 55,000 employees.

Trainings have provided assurance to those working in the airport, as well as strengthened their relationships with the LAXPD: "The staff cannot stop talking about it and are sharing 'tips' with their fellow co-workers," wrote one Virgin America representative after a course. "This is of great value to the entire airport community."



SLOs have also been meeting regularly with community groups to help resolve quality-of-life issues in the area. One successful example comes from the appreciative Westchester Senior Citizens Club, which reported that cleanup efforts for the homeless encampment outside of its facility had been effective.

As the program grows, more SLOs will be trained as terrorism liaison officers, to work in close contact with the Joint Regional Information Center and further enhance airport counterterrorism efforts.

"Now that the program is in place, we can continue to expand the services and training provided to the LAX community, in addition to ramping up open communications between the police and our constituents," says McClain. "LAAPOA hopes with its continued success, the SLO program will expand to Van Nuys and Ontario Airports. This is another important step in our continuing effort to provide the best possible policing services for our airports and adjacent neighborhoods. As the LAXPD motto states, we are 'serving the aviation community.'"



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