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PROPERTY & EVIDENCE ASSESSMENT



Salt River
Pima - Maricopa
Indian Community

Police
Facility

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Introduction

Welcome to the Salt River Police Department and the Property & Evidence Bureau

Welcome Captain Larry Jones!

On behalf of The Salt River Police Department and the Property and Evidence Bureau, we would like to welcome you to our community and agency. Your dedication and expertise play a pivotal role in ensuring the quality and integrity of our accreditation processes, and we are truly grateful for your commitment.

We understand that your role as an Assessor is not just a responsibility but a vital part of the accreditation process to maintain and enhance the standards of excellence within our field. Your contributions are instrumental in providing Law Enforcement and Property and Evidence departments with the recognition they warrant for meeting the ALEAP standards.

I want to take this opportunity to share a few important points as we embark on our assessment journey together:

Collaboration: Our success relies on effective collaboration and communication. Please don't hesitate to contact me or our dedicated support staff whenever you need help, information, or guidance.

Adherence to Standards: SRPD's reputation is built on the trust and credibility of our assessments. As an assessor, we appreciate your adherence to your work's highest ethical and professional standards. If you find an area of our assessment that does not meet the stated standard, we will correct the matter immediately.

Continuous Improvement: We encourage a culture of continuous improvement. Your feedback and insights are highly valued. They help us refine and evolve our assessment processes.

Recognition: We will be very grateful for your contributions and commitment to the assessment process. Your hard work does not go unnoticed.

Again, I want to emphasize our gratitude for your dedication to our mission and willingness to serve as an Assessor. Your professionalism and expertise are invaluable; together, we will continue to raise the bar for excellence in our field. Please consider this message an open invitation to contact me with any questions, concerns, or suggestions. Your insights and feedback are always welcome. Thank you for being a part of our team, and I look forward to a successful and rewarding Property and Evidence Assessment ahead.

Warmest regards,

Stacy Olson

ALEAP Accreditation Manager

Accommodations

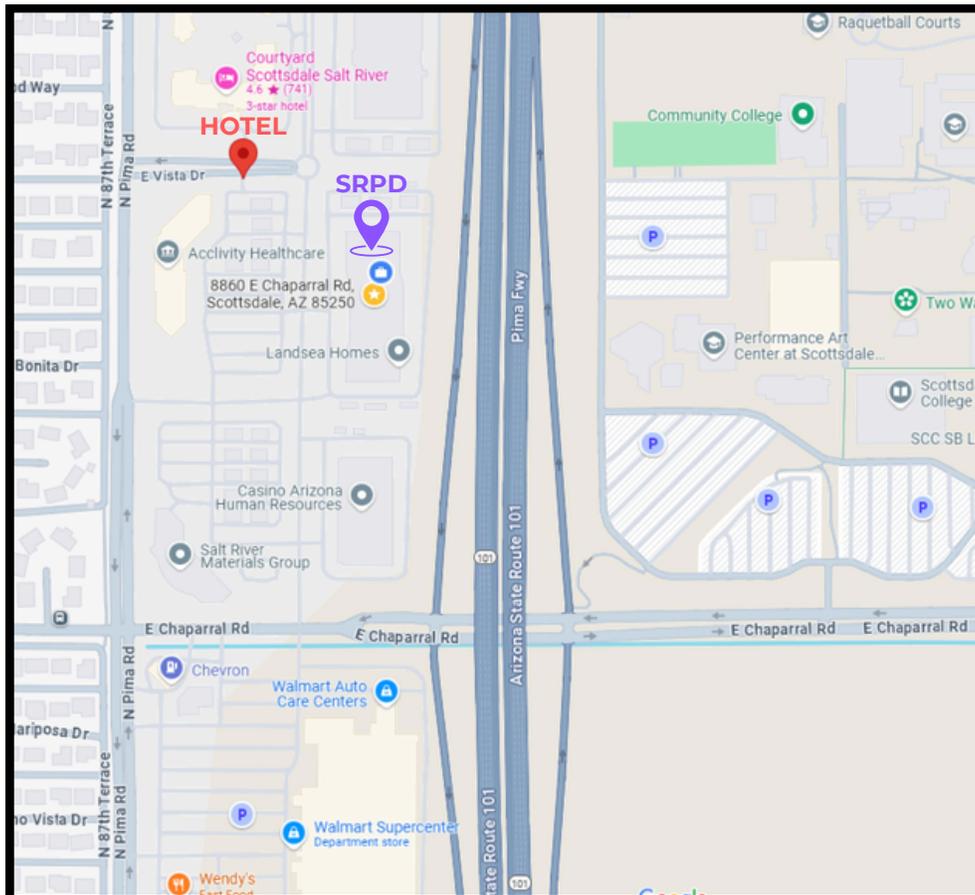
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Wednesday, December 18, 2024
11:00 AM





ALEAP Assessor Agenda

Property & Evidence Bureau Assessment
December 18, 2024

Time	Location and Agenda Item
9:00 - 9:20	SRPD Administrative Building Introduction to SRPD Command Staff and Property & Evidence Manager
9:30 - 10:00	SRPD Administration New Administration Building Tour Sergeant Tamra Lundy
10:15 - 12:00	Property and Evidence Building <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assessor work area• Personnel introductions• Facilities: Physical infrastructure and layout• Security and access control• Emergency and backup procedures• Technology and equipment Interviews <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Manager: Dawn Richards• PEB Technicians: Britany Rodriguez and Jasmine Hooker• Lieutenant Mike Albers• Crime Scene Technicians
12:00 - 1:30	Lunch
1:45 - 2:45*	Assessor Work Time and File Reviews Optional Meeting with Accreditation Manager and Property and Evidence Manager to address any questions or clarifications needed.
3:00 - 3:30*	SRPD Administrative Building Exit Interview with Chief Holloway, Commander Gann, Commander McDaniel, Dawn Richards, and Stacy Olson

**Assessor may finish early so the final exit interview may be as early as 2:00-2:30 p.m.*

SRPD *mission*

Our mission is to cultivate a safe and thriving environment for the Community where every individual feels protected and empowered. While respecting the culture of the Community, we strive for policing excellence through collaboration, innovation and continuous improvement. We are committed to preventing crime through proactive measures by building strong relationships based on trust and partnership. We aspire to exemplify integrity, accountability, and compassion.

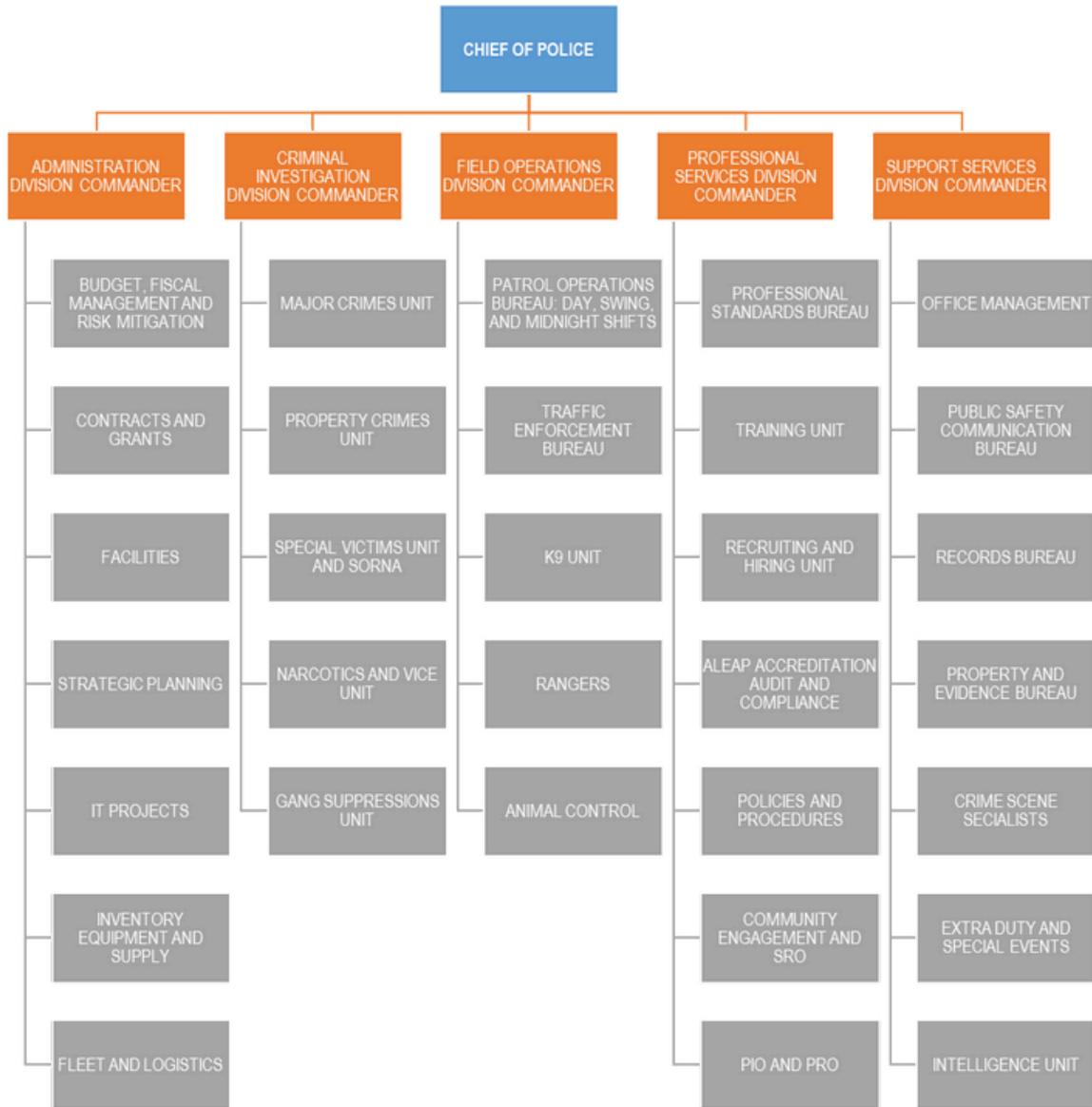
SRPD *vision*

The Salt River Police Department is committed to creating safety and trust within The Community by upholding the highest standards of excellence. Through our dedication to delivering quality service, we aim to create a secure environment for all. We will achieve this by employing advanced training, innovative technology and building relationships through Community Policing.



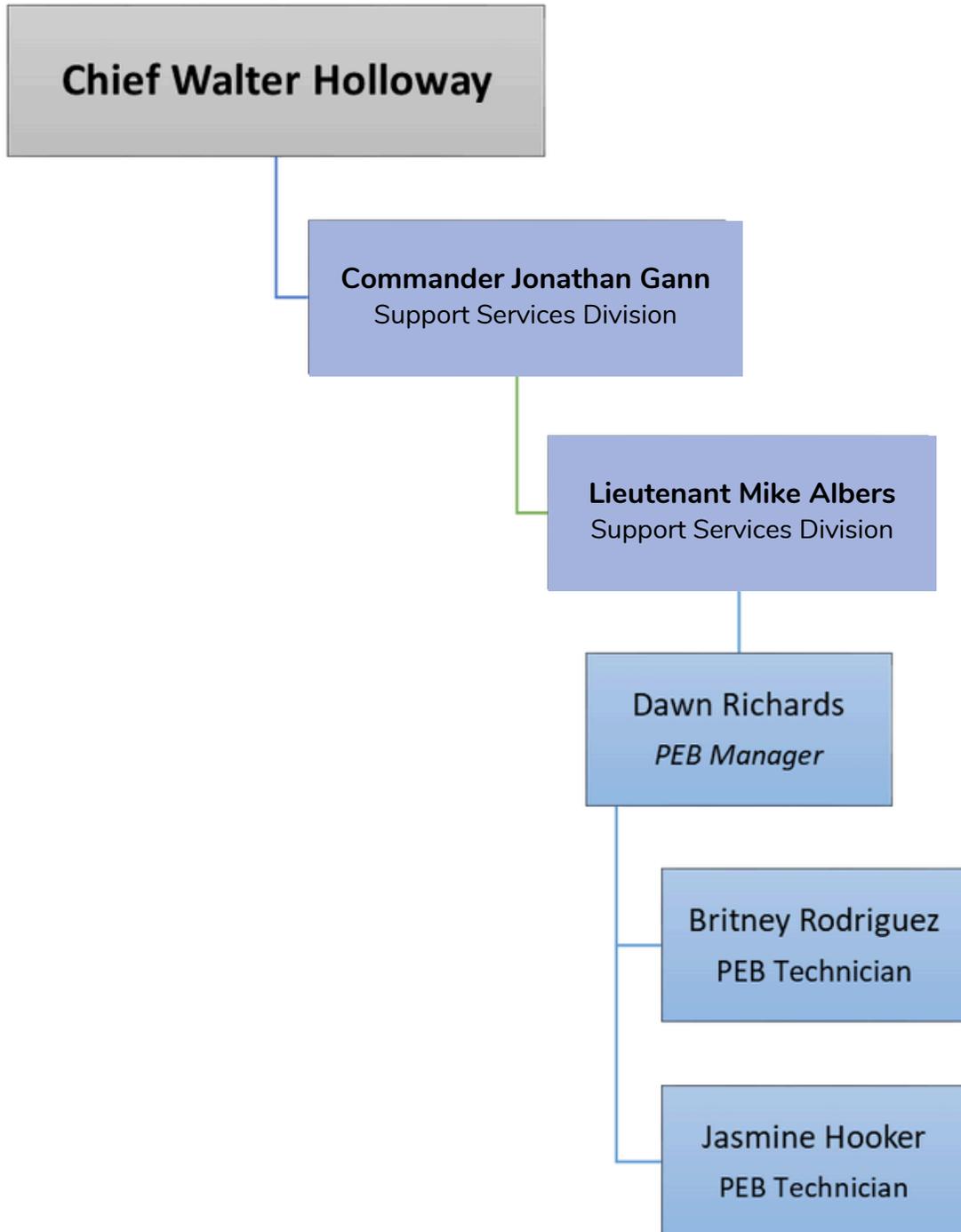


SRPD Organizational Chart





SRPD Property and Evidence COC



Property and Evidence Bureau Focus

Ske:g taş (Good day in O’odham)

The Property & Evidence Bureau of the Salt River Police Department plays a pivotal role in ensuring the integrity of the chain of custody for evidence, which is crucial for criminal investigations and legal proceedings. This unit is tasked with a variety of important functions, all centered around the secure handling, storage, and transportation of evidence.

The bureau is staffed by a dedicated team consisting of two property and evidence technicians and one manager. Together, they are responsible for:

1. **Property and Evidence**

Management: The team ensures that all evidence, from crime scene materials to personal property, is carefully cataloged, stored, and safeguarded to maintain its integrity. This includes documenting each item's entry into the system, tracking its status, and ensuring it is stored in compliance with legal standards.

2. Chain of Custody Maintenance: The property and evidence technicians are crucial in maintaining an unbroken chain of custody. This involves documenting the transfer, handling, and analysis of each piece of evidence to prevent tampering or mishandling, which could compromise the investigation or trial.

3. **Transportation of Evidence for**

Analysis: The unit is also responsible for ensuring that evidence is safely and securely transported to and from forensic laboratories or other analysis facilities. This includes coordinating with law enforcement personnel and external agencies to ensure evidence is handled appropriately at each stage of the process. By performing these critical tasks, the Property & Evidence Bureau ensures that the Salt River Police Department upholds the highest standards of accountability, accuracy, and integrity in the handling of property and evidence, which is essential to achieving justice in the community.

Improvements

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Tribal Council made the decision to upgrade the Property and Evidence Bureau. This led to the construction of a state-of-the-art facility, which was officially opened with a ribbon-cutting ceremony in July 2019.

The new Property and Evidence Bureau facility spans 13,778 square feet, making it significantly larger than its predecessor. The building is divided into two main areas:

1. **Office/Warehouse:** This space is dedicated to the administrative functions of the bureau, including the management, documentation, and storage of property and evidence. The warehouse area allows for efficient organization and secure storage of various items, ensuring that evidence is properly cataloged and protected.

Property and Evidence Bureau Focus *continued*

2. Evidence Packaging and Crime Scene Processing Areas: These specialized spaces are designed for the careful handling and preparation of evidence collected from crime scenes. The layout facilitates a streamlined process for packaging, labeling, and processing evidence to maintain its integrity and readiness for analysis or legal proceedings.



In addition to the main building, the facility sits on 4.5 acres of land, offering ample room for future expansion if needed. It also includes a 2-acre vehicle impound lot, which provides secure storage for seized vehicles involved in criminal investigations.

This modern, upgraded facility is designed to provide long-term storage capacity, ensuring that the Salt River Police Department can continue to manage and safeguard property and evidence effectively for many years to come. The investment in this state-of-the-art infrastructure reflects the community's commitment to maintaining the highest standards of law enforcement and justice.

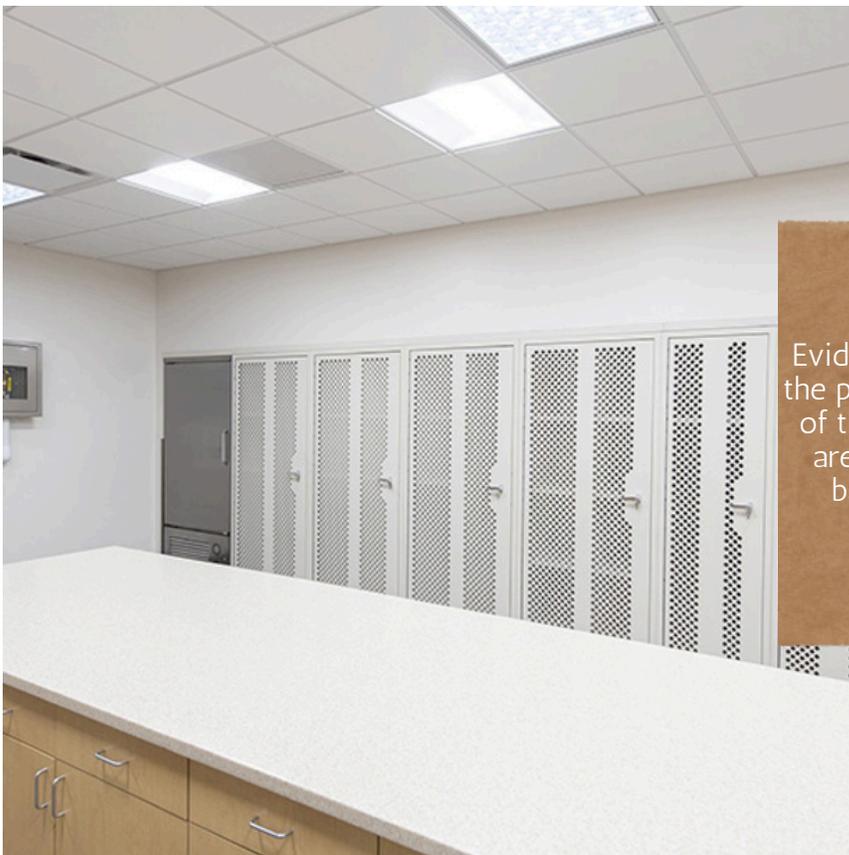
The new lobby featuring clear views for employees and citizens, as well as safety measures that include reinforced glass and pass through compartments and doorways.



Property and Evidence Bureau Focus *continued*



Property intake area for officers with lockers in a variety of sizes. Cold storage is also available.



Evidence Technicians receive the property on the other side of the wall through a secure area. These cages are the backside of the lockers.

Property and Evidence Bureau Focus *continued*

13,778 square feet
of storage



Mezzanine overlooking
warehouse provides
additional storage area



Property and Evidence Bureau Focus *continued*



Large garage door
and cold storage



Extensive cold storage
for retaining large
amounts of evidence.



SRPD Opens its Property and Evidence Bureau in Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



(L-R) Commander Jonathan Gann, SRPD Property and Evidence Bureau Manager Dawn Richards, SRPMIC Vice-President Ricardo Leonard, SRPD Chief of Police Karl Auerbach and David Dallas of MayDall Construction participate in the SRPD Property and Evidence Bureau Ribbon Cutting.

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The Salt River Police Department opened its new Property and Evidence Bureau in a ribbon-cutting ceremony on the morning of July 12.

The event started off with a prayer from Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

Council member Wi-bwa Grey and a welcome from SRPD Chief Karl Auerbach and SRPMIC Vice-President Ricardo Leonard.

Leonard recalled what the old police property and evidence building was like and how it wasn't as secure as they would have liked. With the help of the Community manager, funding

was secured to finally get the new facility built.

"Today would not be possible without contributions, efforts and teamwork," said Chief Auerbach. "The SRPD Evidence Bureau building will provide better service to the Community and better working conditions to the property and evidence bureau professionals and SRPD

police officers."

The facility will be the Community's safe, state-of-the-art storage facility and will have storage capacity for years to come to ensure the SRPD meets industry standards and practices.

Shortly after the welcome addresses, a ribbon-cutting was held and public tours were

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Architect	Arrington Watkins Architects
Contractor	MayDall Construction
Owner	Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Location	Scottsdale AZ
Sectors	Civic & Justice
Services	Ground-up & Greenfield Services During Construction

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SRPD Opens its Property and Evidence Bureau in Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

offered. More than 125 guests viewed the facility. The facility is responsible for receiving, booking and safely storing criminal evidence, found property and property held for safekeeping. The building measures 13,778 square feet and has two main areas: the warehouse/office and evidence processing areas. The site is on 4.5 acres and has a 2-acre vehicle impound unit near the Way of Life Facility.



Community members and guests were able to see where the property and evidence staff would be working.



Following the ribbon cutting, Community members and guests were given tours of the new facility.



SRPD Chief of Police Karl Auerbach invites the early enrichment program to tour the facility first by giving them police badge stickers.



Large storage areas of where property and evidence will be held was open to the public.



Community members and guests were able to walk around the facility before the SRPD officially moves in and begins working.

Property and Evidence Bureau Focus *continued*



The Salt River Police Department is deeply committed to the well-being and professional development of its employees, recognizing that a healthy, skilled, and motivated workforce is essential to delivering quality service to the community.

Training

The Property and Evidence (PEB) technicians of the Salt River Police Department (SRPD) are trained professionals who have received specialized education from the International Association of Property and Evidence (IAPE) and the Arizona Association of Property and Evidence (AAPE). These training programs ensure that the technicians are well-versed in the best practices and standards related to the management, storage, and handling of evidence and property in law enforcement settings.

In addition to their training from the International Association of Property and Evidence (IAPE) and the Arizona Association of Property and Evidence (AAPE), Property and Evidence (PEB) technicians at the Salt River Police Department (SRPD) also receive specialized training on federal and tribal law.

This training is crucial because it ensures that PEB technicians are knowledgeable about the legal nuances and requirements involved in handling evidence and property in both federal and tribal contexts. Since the Salt River Police Department serves a tribal community, understanding the distinct legal frameworks, including jurisdictional issues, tribal sovereignty, and federal law, is essential for the proper handling of property and evidence in line with these legal requirements.

This expertise ensures that all evidence is managed in compliance with both tribal and federal regulations, safeguarding its integrity and adherence to legal standards for prosecution, particularly in cases that may cross jurisdictional boundaries.

Employee Wellness Programs

The department offers a variety of wellness services designed to support the mental, emotional, and physical health of its staff. These services include peer support programs, counseling, and specialized wellness programs tailored to the needs of law enforcement personnel. By prioritizing the well-being of its employees, the department ensures that officers and staff have the resources they need to maintain a healthy work-life balance and handle the demanding nature of their roles.

Career Development

The Salt River Police Department places a strong emphasis on career development, providing opportunities for employees to advance both personally and professionally. This is achieved through a combination of training programs designed to enhance the skills and knowledge of the staff, as well as mentorship opportunities that help employees grow in their careers. These efforts foster a culture of continuous learning, ensuring that department members are well-equipped to meet the evolving needs of the community.

Property and Evidence Bureau Focus *continued*

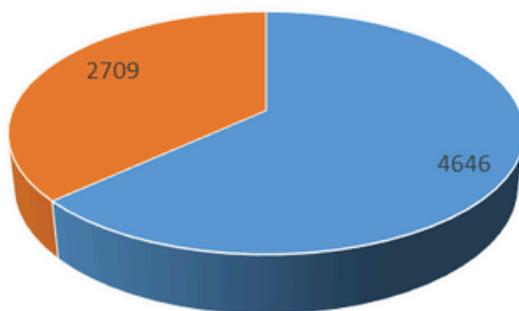
Conclusion

The recent improvements to the Property & Evidence Bureau, including its state-of-the-art facility, reflect the department's commitment to operational excellence. By enhancing procedures and efficiency, the department ensures it can provide the highest level of service. In parallel, the department's commitment to employee wellness and career development ensures that its staff remains strong, motivated, and capable of delivering exceptional service. Together, these efforts contribute to the department's mission of serving the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community with integrity, professionalism, and dedication.

Nyyuunthxa (See you later in Piipaash)

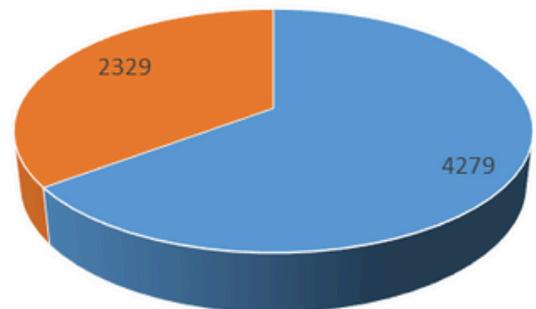
PEB STATS

2022/2023 PEB Totals



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- Evidence Disposal 10/01/2022 - 09/30/2024

2023/2024 PEB Totals

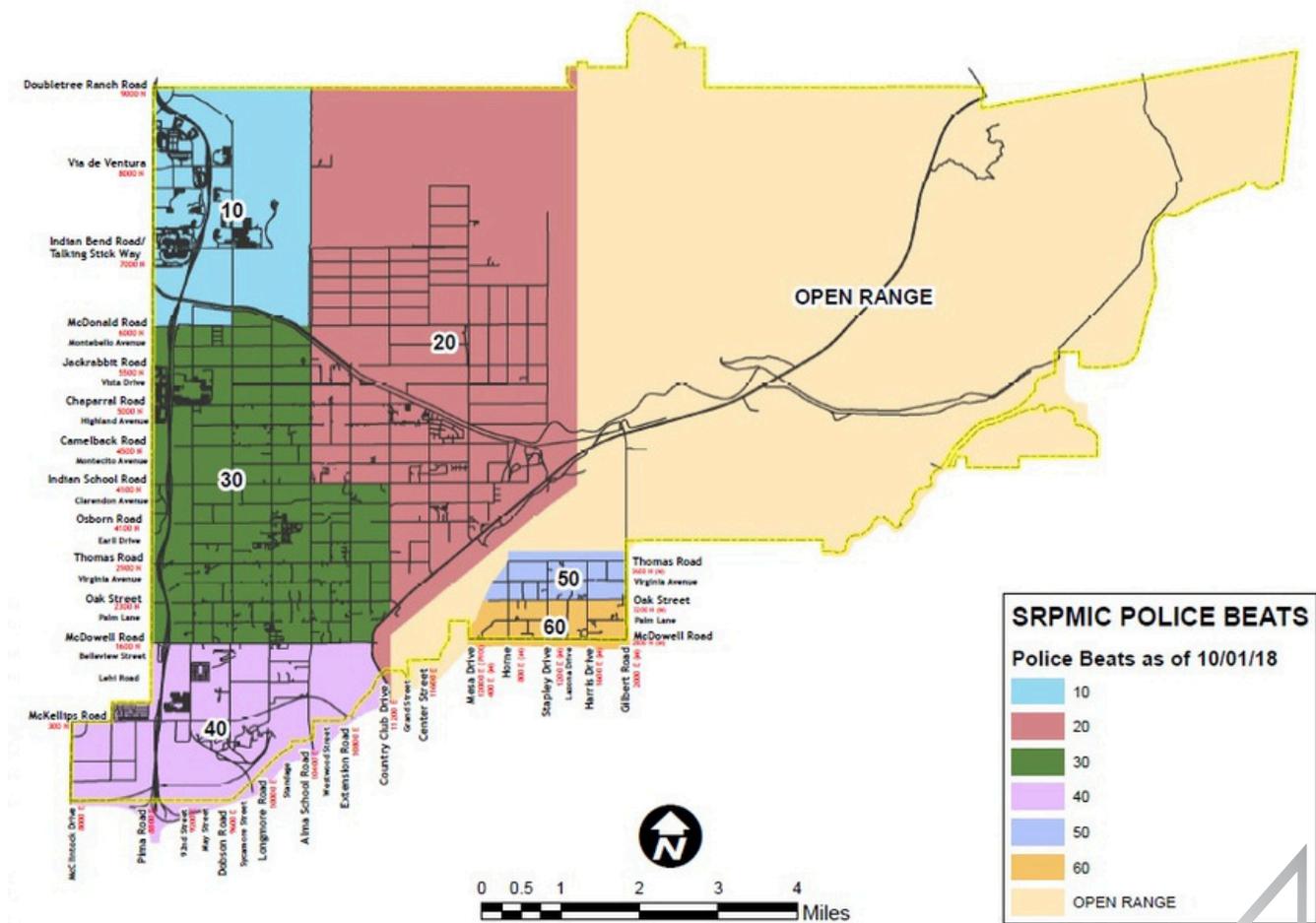


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SRPD POLICE BEATS

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Police Department





ABOUT THE SALT RIVER PIMA- MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (SRPMIC) is a sovereign tribe located in the metropolitan Phoenix area. Established by Executive Order on June 14, 1879, the Community operates as a full-service government and oversees departments, programs, projects and facilities.

The Community is located in Maricopa County and is bounded by the cities of Scottsdale, Tempe, Mesa and Fountain Hills. The Community encompasses 52,600 acres, with 19,000 held as a natural preserve.

With two distinct backgrounds and cultures, the Community is comprised of two Native American tribes: the Pima, “Akimel O’Odham” (River People) and the Maricopa, “Xalychidom Piipaash” (People who live toward the water). Today, over 10,000 individuals are enrolled tribal members. Comprised of the President, Vice President and seven elected Council members, the Community Council governs the Community.

Approximately 12,000 acres are under cultivation in a variety of crops including cotton, melons, potatoes, onions, broccoli and carrots. Commercial development is reserved along the Community’s western boundary.

The Community proudly owns and operates several successful enterprises including Talking Stick Golf Club, Talking Stick Resort, Salt River Fields, Salt River Devco, Casino Arizona, Salt River Sand and Rock, Phoenix Cement, Saddleback Communications, Salt River Financial Services, and Salt River Landfill.

The majestic Red Mountain can be seen throughout the Community and is located on the eastern boundary. The sight of the mountain symbolizes the home of the Pima and Maricopa people.





Quick Facts

Location

Adjacent to the cities of Scottsdale, Mesa, Tempe and the town of Fountain Hills, in the Phoenix metropolitan area.

Size

52,600 acres
19,000 in natural preserve

Population

Over 10,800* enrolled members

Taxes

2.35%* sales tax

Geographic Features

Red Mountain
Saddleback Mountain
Salt and Verde Rivers
Natural Preserve
Wetlands

Local Educational Institutions

[Scottsdale Community College](#) – 101 and Chaparral, SRPMIC

[Arizona State University – Main Campus](#) – Tempe, 7 miles SW of SRPMIC

Highways

101 – Pima Freeway – runs north and south nine miles along the Community's western boundary, adjacent to Scottsdale.

202 – Red Mountain – runs along the southern boundary to connect with Tempe, Mesa, Chandler and Gilbert.

Shea Boulevard – runs along the northern boundary to connect Fountain Hills and the Tonto National Forest.

Arizona 87 – Beeline Highway – runs diagonally through the Community from McDowell Road to Shea Boulevard.



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