

EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

2013 ANNUAL REPORT





Dear Community Member,

I am proud to present the El Paso County Sheriff's Office 2013 Annual Report. The fulfillment of my pledge to protect and serve this community is reflected in this report which summarizes highlights from Fiscal Year 2013, and provides descriptions of different sections within the office, as well as the many programs we have to offer in the community we serve.

It is an honor to show our colleagues and community the commitment of the men and women of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office, and I believe this report documents the processes used to serve our community with pride, while demonstrating dedication to our Core Values: To honestly and ethically carry out our responsibilities, while enforcing the law.

As Sheriff, I am very proud of the Office's efforts to develop opportunities for partnerships which enhance service delivery and fiscal accountability. Throughout our history, we have entered into a number of partnerships with other law enforcement agencies to improve the quality and delivery of services. We have also made use of Federal and State grant opportunities, allowing the purchase of equipment and providing overtime dollars for traffic and drug enforcement.

We would be unable to do what we do without the assistance and collaboration of other law enforcement agencies, community groups and, most importantly, the citizens of El Paso County. On behalf of all El Paso County Sheriff's Office employees, I would like to say thank you for your support and involvement in enhancing the quality of living within El Paso County.

We move into 2014 with one goal in mind: to continue to diligently provide the best law enforcement and detention service possible to all citizens of El Paso County. I am privileged to lead an agency of talented people who represent all of El Paso's best qualities through our desire and commitment to "Serve with Pride".

Sheriff Richard D. Wiles



El Paso County *Sheriff's Office*

Core Values

The El Paso County Sheriff's Office values the public trust and will honestly and ethically carry out our responsibilities.

We will adhere to the Constitution of the United States and the State of Texas in pursuit of community service.

We will investigate and respond appropriately to all allegations of impropriety.

Mission Statement

El Paso County Sheriff's Office, as part of, and empowered by the community, is committed to:

- ◆ Protect lives, property, and the rights of people;
- ◆ Maintain order;
- ◆ Enforce the law impartially;
- ◆ Provide quality police service in partnership with other members of the community.

To fulfill our mission, we will strive to attain the highest degree of ethical behavior and professional conduct at all times.



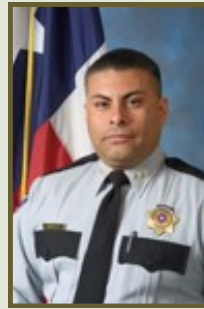
LEADERSHIP TEAM



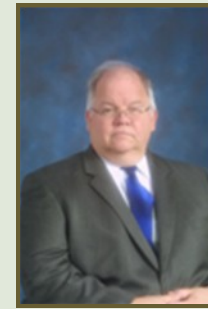
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Sheriff



Sylvia Aguilar
Executive Chief Deputy



Jesus E. Campa
Chief Deputy



William Ellis
Executive Administrator Officer



Angel Colorado
Commander
Support Services



Kevin W. Lanahan
Commander
Patrol



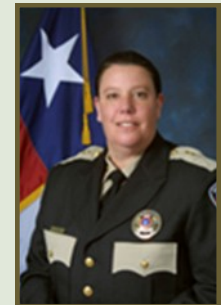
Paul Cross
Commander
Criminal Investigations



Frank Ortez
Commander
Special Operations



Gomecindo Lopez
Commander
Detention Facility



Wendy Wisneski
Commander
Jail Annex





Grants

FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
US Dept. of Homeland Security 2012	EPCSO \$ 824,181 EPPD \$1,013,921 Horizon PD \$ 64,288 Socorro PD \$ 122,000 Anthony PD \$ 75,610 <u>\$2,100,000</u>
US Dept. of Homeland Security 2013	EPCSO \$ 656,720 EPPD \$994,955 Horizon PD \$ 44,325 Socorro PD \$ 47,057 Anthony PD \$ 57,850 <u>\$1,800,907</u>
Texas Office of the Attorney General	\$42,000
US Dept. of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant 2013	EPCSO \$106,746 DA \$ 11,861 EPPD <u>\$118,607</u> <u>\$237,214</u>

FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Direct Services	\$61,200
Office of the Governor-CJD	Match <u>\$58,605</u> <u>\$119,805</u>
Academy Training Grant	\$196,000
Office of the Governor –CJD 421 Grant (Sub-contract from RGCOG)	
CJD-Uniform Crime Report	\$105,654
Texas Safety School Center	\$54,000
Texas State University in San Marcos	
Texas Department of Transportation 2013-2014	\$72,367.86 Match <u>\$25,130.05</u> <u>\$96,497.91</u>
COPS-Hiring	\$1,250,000.01 County Match \$217,809.85 <u>ISD Match \$1,540,621.33</u> \$3,008,431.19

Internal Affairs



The Internal Affairs Section is commanded by Lieutenant Raul Segura. The Section is committed to protecting the El Paso County Sheriff's Office, the employees and the citizens of El Paso County, through proactive investigations of alleged misconduct. Investigations conducted reveal if the complaint is Sustained (sufficient evidence supports the allegation against the employee), Not Sustained (evidence is insufficient to support the allegation), Exonerated (the action was justified, lawful and/or proper), or Unfounded (it did not occur, or did not involve agency personnel)

The Internal Affairs Section received a total of 167 complaints or allegations during 2013. There were a total of 140 Internal Investigations and 27 Citizen complaints.

A total of 25 use of force incidents were reported during 2013. Eleven incidents were reported for the Law Enforcement Bureau (to include 2 incidents of deadly use of force), and 14 incidents were reported for the Detention Bureau.



Above and Beyond



2013 Awards

Commendations and Awards

The Sheriff's Office provides recognition to those employees and citizens whose actions exemplify our core values, specifically: Courage, Integrity, Respect, Perseverance and Initiative. At the Annual Sheriff's Office Awards Ceremony, the Sheriff's Office recognized 42 employees for exceptional performance in 2013 and another 41 employees for twenty (20) or more years of service.



Eight (8) Lifesaving Medals, (10) Commendation, (11) Citation and (3) Unit Citations were among the Awards presented.



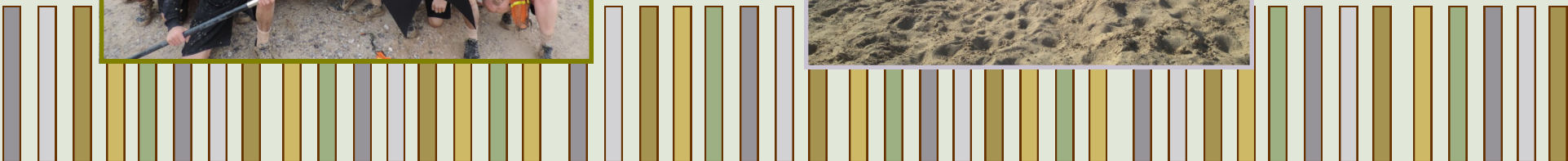
Region VIII Training Academy

The Region VIII Training Academy focuses on hiring the best personnel to work in a dynamic and challenging environment. For individuals wishing to become employees and make a difference in their community, first they must pass a comprehensive background check, specific physical, academic, and psychological requirements. Making sure new recruits meet all training standards is one of the many roles of the Region VIII Training Academy.

The Academy is comprised of eight staff members who support the daily operations of the Sheriff's Office through Pre-Employment, In Service Training and Training Records.

In-service instruction, online training and the continued FSD and CEDO training produced the bulk of instruction with 100,664 student contact hours. The Training Academy conducted several basic detention officer course and provided the Sheriff's Office and region with 680 courses in total.





PATROL



Division Commander - Kevin W. Lanahan
Montana Patrol Station - Lt. Marvin Ryals
Vinton Patrol Station - Lt. Gabriel Bustamante
Clint Patrol Station - Lt. Marco A. Vargas
Courthouse Security - Lt. Raymond Hernandez
Traffic Section - Sgt. Robert Almanza

The El Paso County Sheriff's Office Patrol Division is responsible for patrolling a total of 1,015 square miles in the westernmost county in the state of Texas. According to the 2010 census, there are approximately 800,674 residents in El Paso County. Based on service demands and call volume, the Patrol Division has patrol stations and districts in strategic areas provide consistent and efficient response to criminal activity. The Patrol Division strives to identify areas where processes can be streamlined and improved, while simultaneously allowing the Sheriff's Office to be more effective, proactive and responsive to community needs. The Patrol Division is divided into two operational areas. The first operational area is the Patrol and Investigative aspects of law enforcement. The Patrol and Investigative functions are delegated to four operational areas within the County: Headquarters/Traffic Section, Montana Patrol Station, Vinton Patrol Station, and Clint Patrol Station. The second operational function is the security and integrity of the County Courthouse and the Juvenile Probation Department. Each station is supervised by a station lieutenant. Each station has a designated number of districts. In 2013, the Patrol Division responded to 119,155 calls for service, 21,169 traffic citations issued, and screened 1,097, 701 people entering the Courthouse.



The El Paso County Sheriff's Office Headquarters is located on the east side of the County within the El Paso City Limits. The Headquarters Office for the Patrol Division houses the Division Commander, Division Administrative Assistant, Special Traffic Investigators Section Sergeant, and the Special Traffic Investigations Section.

In addition, it is the hub of communications between the issuance and deployment of patrol resources to address specific crime issues or trends.

The Traffic Section is supervised by a Sergeant and has 9 deputies assigned. They are divided into two primary sections which are the Special Traffic Enforcement and Investigations and the Motor Vehicle Accident Follow-up Section. Their primary functions are to provide traffic enforcement throughout the county, investigate motor vehicle accidents that result in serious injury or death and follow-up motor accidents. The section is also responsible for special events that require the deployment of patrol resources such as: parades, funeral escorts, paid traffic control enforcements and dignitary escorts.

The Vinton Patrol Station is located in the far north of El Paso County, in the Town of Vinton with direct access to major roadways that allow for timely responses to calls for service in the Upper Valley. It is managed by a Station Commander which holds the rank of Lieutenant. The Station Commander has primary responsibility for patrol districts identified, as well as the Field Training Officer Program.

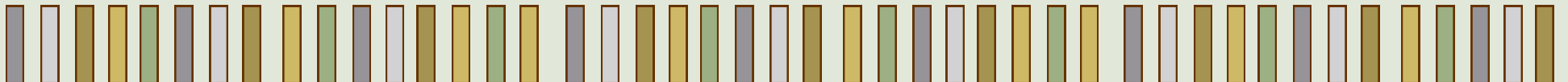
The area of responsibility for the Vinton Patrol Station encompasses the western city limits of El Paso, north to the New Mexico state line, and from the edge of the Franklin Mountains State Park west to the New Mexico state line. This includes Westway, Canutillo, Town of Vinton and Transmountain Road. The Vinton Station serves an estimated population of 12,480 (2010 US Census).



The Montana Patrol Station is located in the far east northern area of El Paso County. It has direct access to major roadways that allow for a timely response to calls for service in the far east. It is managed by a Station Commander who holds the rank of Lieutenant. The Station Commander has primary responsibility for patrol districts identified as well as Stonegarden Grant Administration and Execution designed to support border crime operations. The area these districts encompass is from the eastern city limits of the City of El Paso to the Hudspeth County line and north to the Federal Military Reservation and south to Interstate Highway 10. Their area of responsibility includes the Montana Vista Areas, Hueco Tank Estates, North Ascension areas, West Texas Airport, Emerald Park Estates and other outlying areas around Horizon City. The areas surrounding the Montana Patrol Station serves an estimated population of 17,014 (2010 US Census).



The Clint Patrol Station is located on the southeast Lower Valley of El Paso County. It is located centrally within the Town of Clint, behind the El Paso County Mission Valley Annex. It shares a building with the Justice of the Peace Precinct 6, Constable 6 Office and El Paso County Clerk's Office. It has easy access to major roadways allowing for timely response to calls for service. The Station is commanded by a Lieutenant who has the primary responsibility for patrol districts. These districts encompass the eastern limits of the City of El Paso to the Hudspeth county line south of Interstate Highway 10 and north of the international border. The specific areas of responsibility for the Clint Patrol Station are El Paso Hills, Lynwood Estates, Agua Dulce Subdivision, Las Colonias Subdivision, Town of Clint, San Elizario, Fabens, Tornillo, and Palo Alto. The Clint Patrol Station serves an estimated population of 28,201 (2010 US Census).



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS



The men and women of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division are responsible for investigations, examination and analysis of crime scenes, collecting evidence and preparing cases to be forwarded to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution.

The Division is comprised of 159 personnel (104 law enforcement professionals and 55 civilians) and divided into seven sections, all focused on providing the highest quality investigative services to the public and the criminal justice community.

2013 year saw a major realignment in the division. The Special Operations Division and its two sections, Border Crime and High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Sections, were realigned under the Criminal Investigations Division. In addition, there are two investigative sections in this Division which are dedicated to investigating reported crimes against persons and crime against property. The other three consist of the Civil Processing Section, Crime Records Evidence and Forensics Section, and the Criminal Warrants and Apprehension Section.

This report provides numerous statistical crime data collected, measuring the division's investigative productivity. The crime data collected for specific crimes direct us to proactive measures by pre-planning tactical investigative operations, aggressive investigating and collaboration with the Patrol Division and/or the Special Operations Division in taking proactive measures to preventing crimes and identifying suspects that may be involved in criminal activity.

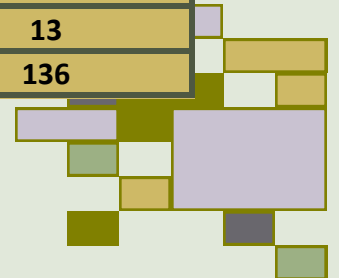
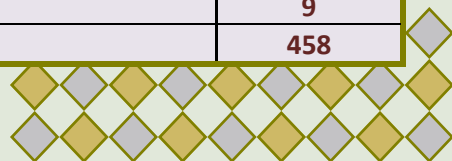


Offense	2013
Murder	2
Manslaughter	0
Sexual Assault	37
Aggravated Sexual Assault	23
Aggravated Robbery	10
Robbery	14
Aggravated Assault	84
Aggravated Kidnapping / Kidnapping	2
Assault Offenses (Misdemeanor)	429
Injury to Child / Elderly	72
Child Abandonment / Endangering	15
Harrassment	127
Terrorist Threats	37
Protective Custody Orders	0
Deadly Conduct	2
Unlawful Restraint	1
Child Pornography	2
Interfering w/Child Custody	73
Unattended Deaths	57
Indecency with a Child	35
Disorderly Conduct	24
Delinquent Conduct	4
Injured / Sick Party	222
Runaways	167
Harboring Runaway Reports	1
Missing Persons	9
Miscellaneous Cases	458



Crime Victims Services	2013
Child Victim of Physical Abuse	95
Child Victim of Sexual Abuse	140
Victim of DUI/DWI	35
Victim of Domestic Violence	825
Adult victim of Sexual Assault	50
Fatality Victims	5
Victim of Kidnapping	4
Elderly Abuse	6
Aggravated Assault	166
Assault	752
Vehicular Accident	32
Other Types of Crime	377

Property Section Reports	2013
Arson	7
Burglary of Business	93
Burglary of Habitation	295
Burglary of Vehicle	118
Criminal Mischief	443
Cruelty to Animals	11
Graffiti	13
Unauthorized use of Vehicle	136





Detention Services

The El Paso County Detention Services Bureau, under the command of Executive Chief Deputy Sylvia Aguilar, consists of two adult maximum-security detention facilities; the Detention Facility Division and the Jail Annex Division. The operational concept for both facilities is to receive unclassified persons, house pre-trial and convicted persons, and allow for processing, classifying and releasing of persons 24 hours a day. Both facilities house federal and state inmates.





Detention Services



Located at 12501 E. Montana, the Jail Annex is of modular design, comprised of three units, each consisting of four pods. It has a capacity of 1440 Inmates and has an infirmary capable of holding an additional 10 inmates. The Jail Annex receives classified persons from the Detention Facility and holds pretrial and convicted persons.

The Jail Annex, supervised by Commander Wendy Wisneski, houses male inmates only. For year 2013, The Jail Annex Division was funded \$34,094,739.00 for operations.

In 2013, there were 626 persons booked into the jail Annex compared to 2,459 in 2012, a decrease of 1,833 intakes. The decrease was due to the closing of the booking section during the Annex expansion. In 2013, the Jail Annex Division averaged approximately 1388 inmates in custody daily in comparison to 1298 inmates in 2012.

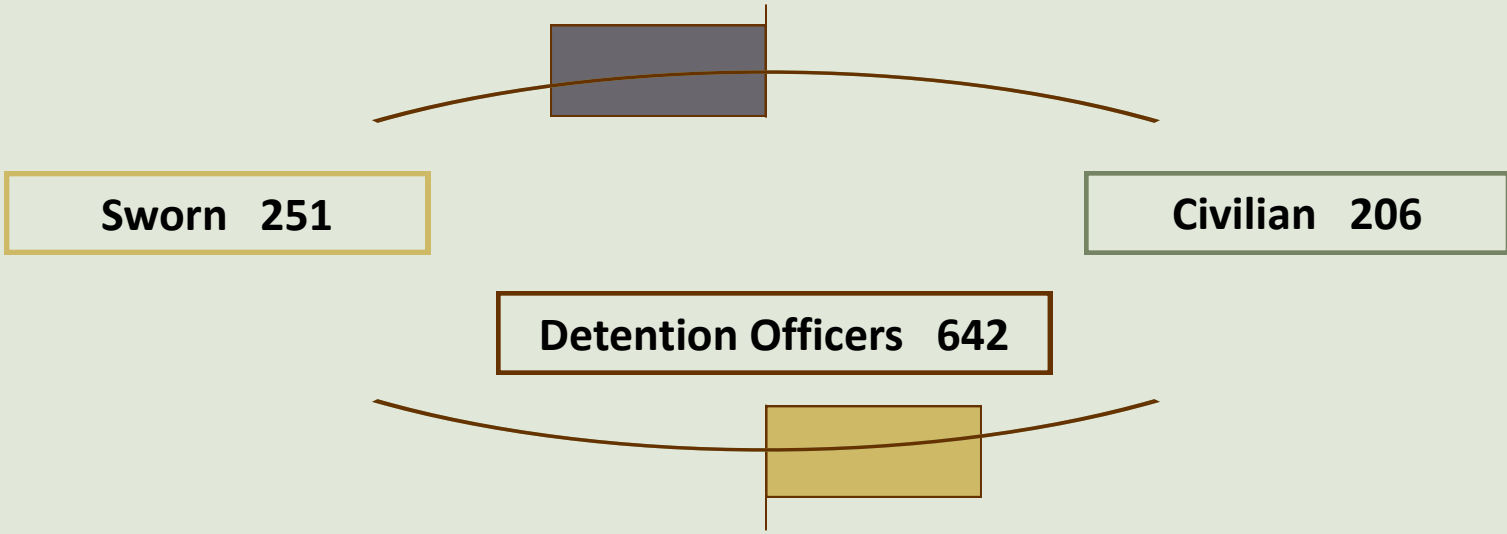
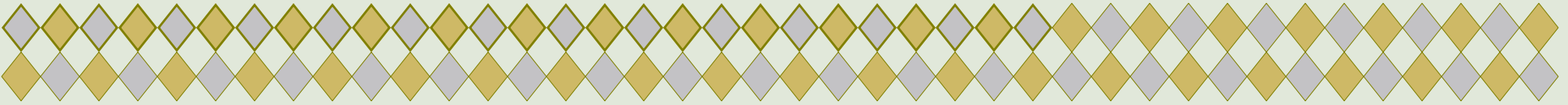


The Detention Facility, supervised by Commander Frank Ortez, is located at 601 E. Overland across the street from federal courts, state district and county courts, Justice of the Peace court, and city municipal courts.

The facility has over 310,440 square feet and a housing capacity of 1,010 inmates. The facility has nine housing floors, three of which are designated for females. For 2013, the Detention facility was funded \$37,107,564.00 for operations.

In 2013, the Inmate Processing Unit (IPU) processed 30,347 persons into the Detention Facility compared to 34,271 in 2012, a decrease of 3,924. The bookings ranged from misdemeanors to felony arrests; both federal and state.

Inmate Work Program	Detention	Annex
Bakery	36	0
Food Preparation Training	155	0
Janitorial	0	19
Laundry	42	148
Outside Beautification	33	8
PAWS Participation	0	20
PAWS Graduating	0	7
Sewing	125	0



	Males				Females			
Sworn Personnel	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Entry Level	24	4	170	1	1	0	13	1
Supervisory	4	0	18	0	0	0	0	0
Command	3	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Executive	2	1	3	1	0	0	1	0
Subtotal	33	5	195	2	1	0	14	1
Non-Sworn								
Entry Level	5	2	34	1	11	4	73	3
Supervisory	43	21	513	7	6	2	86	5
Professional	10	2	5	1	2	1	6	0
Executive	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
Subtotal	59	25	553	9	20	8	166	8
TOTAL	92	30	748	11	21	8	180	9

El Paso County Sheriff's Jurisdiction

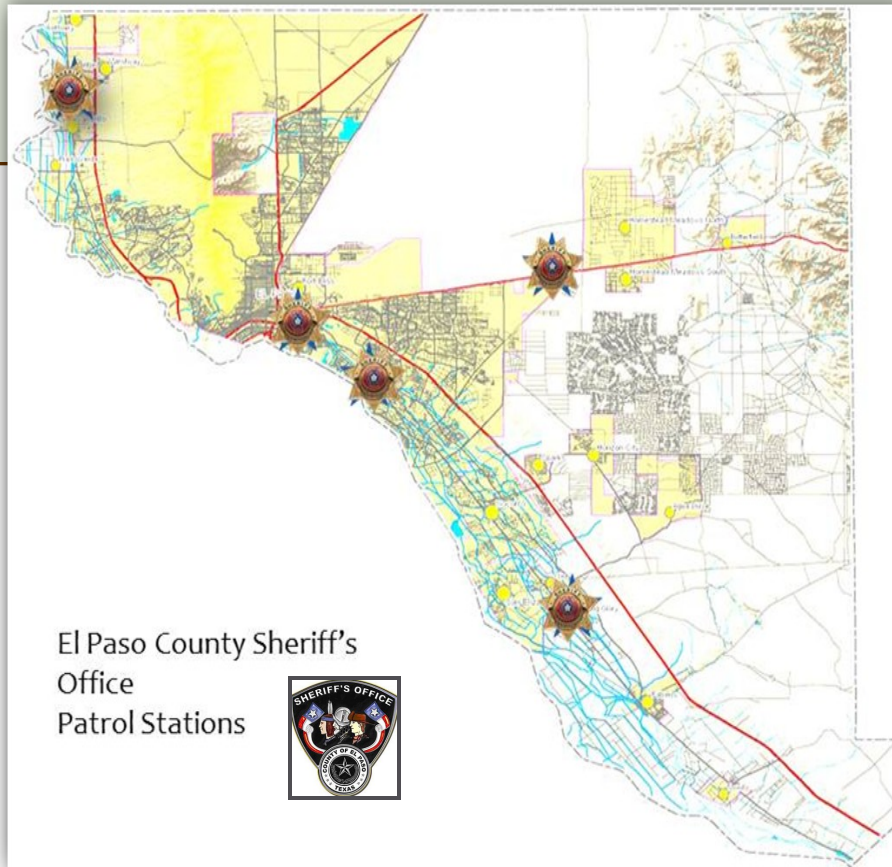


El Paso County covers almost 1,015 square miles and has a population of more than 827,000. The primary focus for the El Paso County Sheriff's Office is in the unincorporated areas of the county.

While incorporated cities within the county have their own law enforcement agencies for their city limits, the El Paso County Sheriff's Office serves the entire county.

Economic development continues to affect these parts of the county with El Paso County being one of the fastest growing counties in the United States.

Strategically located stations in the northwest and eastern part of the county provides greater presence of law enforcement across the county, especially in unincorporated areas.





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