



WILLIAM J. BRATTON
CHIEF OF POLICE

CHIEF'S MESSAGE

In America's second-largest city, our dedication to public safety must be a commitment second to none. Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa's 6.7 billion-dollar budget for the City of Los Angeles, unveiled in April, reflects this priority.

With its emphasis on expanding the Department, the proposed

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Remembering Chief Edward M. Davis

In April, the Department bid farewell to former Chief of Police Edward M. Davis. Chief Davis, 89, died in San Luis Obispo on April 22, 2006.

The dynamic law enforcement leader served as chief of police from 1969 to 1978. Chief Davis, known for his monumental presence and outspoken nature, leaves a legacy of groundbreaking reforms that influenced law enforcement agencies across the country.

A memorial service was held at Elysian Park Police Academy on May 4, 2006 with some 300 people

in attendance. Speakers included Chief William J. Bratton, and former Chiefs Councilmember Bernard C. Parks, and Daryl F. Gates. Other speakers included former LAPD Commander and Police Commission Executive Director Joe Gunn, Los Angeles County Sheriff Leroy D. Baca, and former California Governor Pete Wilson.

"He was an innovator beyond anyone I've ever known," said former Chief Gates, who served as Commander for 10 years in Chief Davis's office. "A huge part of LAPD history is wrapped up in Chief Davis. He is a man to be respected, honored—a man to be loved."

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2006/2007 fiscal plan would allocate funds to begin the expansion of the Department by 1,000 additional police officers, purchase state-of-the-art police equipment, make technology improvements, and communication enhancements. Planned funding would come from an increase in the City's trash collection fees, currently one of the lowest in the county.

The 1,000-officer build-up begins with the hiring of 650 new officers, to replace retiring officers, for fiscal year 2006/2007. This sets in motion a five-year hiring plan to reach the mayor's goal of 1,000 additional officers.

Recognizing the correlation between state-of-the-art equipment and technology, and safe and effective policing, \$31 million has been budgeted to continue the Department's vehicle replacement program, \$5.2 million for new vehicles, and \$5.2 million to replace two helicopters. Two other replacement helicopters are scheduled to be delivered later this year. The budget also includes \$4.4 million for standard technology replacement and to provide field officers with immediate access to other agency databases using wireless data cards. Additionally, \$5 million has been allocated from the year-end 2005/2006 budget to begin the replacement of police portable radios over the next several years.

I believe one of the most important allocations in the Mayor's budget, and a clear testament to his commitment of support for the men and women of this Department, is the funding he has earmarked for the installation of video cameras in patrol cars. Using money proposed in the 2006/2007 budget, there would be enough funding to install

in-car camera systems in four geographic Areas next year. The Cameras will, in effect, improve accountability, ensure the highest levels of officer integrity and provide concrete evidence for investigations into alleged misconduct. These video cameras will be an officer's strongest ally against false or erroneous complaints. You have often heard me say, "you can expect what you inspect." To that end, and to continue our policy of transparency and accountability, the budget provides more funding for the Office of the Inspector General and the Civil Rights Integrity, Audit and Force Investigation Divisions.

In addition to increased funding as a means to expand our ranks, the command staff and I are always looking for innovative ways to maximize the limited resources we have. One new program with a mission to reduce crime and improve relations with our communities, is the recruit footbeats. Recent media reports prove the program is working; crime is down in the areas where the recruits walk and those who live and work in the city now feel they have a better relationship with the LAPD. The program also benefits the recruits by giving them hands-on experience and face to face contact with residents and business owners in community policing. This kind of innovative thinking and intelligent deployment continues to help in driving down crime in Los Angeles, and reducing fear. In the future, we will see even more positive results as we hire more officers and step up police presence on our City streets.

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Recognition Day 2006

Acts of bravery, heroism and service, performed by Department employees, were honored at the 26th Recognition Day Awards Ceremony on April 25, 2006, at the Los Angeles Sports Arena. More than 160 sworn and civilian employees, active and retired, received medals before an audience of City leaders, Police Commissioners, Department Command Staff, family and friends.

Chief Bratton presented the awards, with Commander Kenneth Garner serving as Master of Ceremonies. Many persons recognized performed acts of exceptional service either in the area of personal career achievement, or superior performance as part of a group or unit. Others were honored for heroic actions that brought dangerous suspects into custody, preserved property or saved lives.

Guests in attendance listened to compelling stories, narrated by Detective Dennis Packer, detailing courageous acts achieved against tremendous odds. Among the afternoon's highlights were humorous messages of inspiration and support by former Los Angeles Dodgers manager and Hall of Fame inductee Tommy Lasorda and

CBS 2 Sports Director Jim Hill, a former NFL football player.

Of the incidents highlighted, 20 involved police officers rescuing victims in life and death situations, including suicide attempts, fire rescues, traffic collisions, choking incidents, and situations involving victims who were bleeding profusely or unable to breathe. The dramatic rescue operations of

Northeast Area officers in response to the January 2005 Metrolink train derailment, was also among the stories read to the audience.

Other incidents included an arsonist's attempt to burn down the Rampart Community Police Station, and three incidents involving assaults on police officers.

While the incidents illustrated the kind of challenges officers face everyday, in six of these events the responding LAPD employee was off-duty at the time, including one civilian Police Service Representative whose efforts successfully foiled a suicide attempt.

Medals awarded include: 6 Police Medals; 38 Police Stars; 20 Lifesaving Medals; and 103 Police Meritorious Unit Citations. □



Police Service Representative Terry Price received the Lifesaving Medal for preventing a hysterical and distraught woman from committing suicide. PSR Price was off-duty at the time.



Artist rendering of the Rampart Area replacement station.

Rampart Area Replacement Police Station

Work continues on the \$38.8 million Rampart Area replacement police station. The new building, located on the old Central Receiving Hospital site, will replace the existing Rampart Station. The anticipated date of completion is December 2007. □

Custodian Appreciation Day

In April, LAPD custodians enjoyed an awards luncheon in recognition of Custodian Appreciation Day. The luncheon was a show of gratitude for personnel who maintain the cleanliness and appearance of Parker Center.

Commissioner Alan J. Skobin and Police Administrator Rhonda Sims-Lewis presented awards to about 40 employees. Award recipients each received a special Challenge Coin—inscribed with the Chief of Police Badge—and took photos with Chief Bratton.

“For me, this is a great honor,” said Antonio Gutierrez, who works on the 6th floor. “It’s not often that we receive recognition for our work and being acknowledged is worth

more than money to me.”

Gutierrez, a 21-year City employee, empties about 100 trash cans daily, in addition to performing other duties. Custodians also strip and wax floors, vacuum, and sanitize restrooms, among other tasks.

Chief Bratton proposed a day of recognition for custodians after receiving a number of compliments

about Parker Center during the holidays.

“On behalf of the Department, I’d like to extend our sincere appreciation,” said the Chief, addressing the group. “It’s an old building, but it doesn’t seem old because of what you do. I enjoy seeing that you take pride in your work.” □



Chief Bratton, center, with Parker Center custodial staff.

CRIME WATCH CITYWIDE

YEAR TO DATE - 5/27/06

Homicide	- 10.3%	▼
Rape	0.0%	▼
Robbery	7.3%	▲
Aggravated Assault	-12.0%	▼
Total Violent Crime	- 3.3%	▼
Burglary	- 8.7%	▼
Burglary/Theft from Vehicle	- 13.7%	▼
Personal/Other Theft	- 16.5%	▼
Auto Theft	- 10.8%	▼
Total Property Crimes	- 12.9%	▼
Total Part I Crimes	- 10.9%	▼

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New Identification Badges for Security System Upgrade

In keeping with the Department’s security system upgrade, Facilities Management Division began issuing new Universal Identification cards to LAPD personnel—sworn and civilian—in May. Since then, more than 1,000 identification cards have been issued.

Late last month, two mobile units began making rounds at Department facilities to expedite the transition. The mobile units have been tasked with visiting 24 locations through July. The new cards feature security access technology, including embedded computer smart chips and a hologram security feature on the back of the card.

Hardware installation at Parker Center for the new security system is about 70 percent complete. Improvements are being funded by a homeland security grant secured by Facilities Management Division. □

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While on patrol, whether walking or driving, there are two officer safety issues that have come to my attention that I feel need to be addressed. Regarding ballistic vests, a special order is in the works that will require sworn personnel to wear body armor at all times while engaged in uniform field duties. The order will not apply to officers in administrative positions, but will impact civilian personnel assisting in pre-planned tactical operations and during potentially violent situations in the field. These will include audio-visual technicians, forensic print specialists, photographers, criminalists, and police surveillance specialists, among others.

In reference to auto accident injuries, in 2005, there were close to 400 minor to moderate traffic collisions involving officers on duty in patrol vehicles. In 21 of those incidences, officers violated Department policy by not wearing seatbelts. Remember, it is statistically more likely for officers to be killed in a traffic collision than in an officer involved shooting. Though at present, a majority of our officers are compliant regarding seatbelt use, it is crucial that we achieve 100 percent compliance. While I understand that from a tactical standpoint there may be some instances where you may not always be able to buckle up, I expect you to wear your seatbelt when performing your usual day-to-day duties. Not only is this an officer safety issue, but also an

integrity issue. As law enforcement professionals granted the power to cite offenders of the State's seatbelt law, we must also lead by example. (I should note that I am aware of the fold down armrest issue in the new Crown Victorias and we are working to address correcting that problem as quickly as possible).

On the issue of responsible



LAPD Sgt. Dan Gomez shows off LAPD's new integrated high-tech "smart car."

policing, I want to again remind everyone that Department databases that offer highly sensitive information, including Department of Motor Vehicle and criminal history records, are to always be used in a professional and ethical manner. These resources are meant to facilitate prosecution in criminal cases. They are not resources for other employment interests or personal use. Accessing these databases for anything other than Department-related business is against Department policy, and may be against the law as well. Let me be very clear,

if you are caught accessing information that is in violation of Department policy, you will face severe disciplinary action, and possible criminal prosecution.

During a recent meeting with senior staff, it came to my attention that penalties for the damage or loss of critical equipment such as radios and firearms were either unduly severe or extremely lenient. As a result, we are now working to differentiate degrees of penalties based on the potential for harm and monetary worth of the item, as well as negligent considerations. So, anticipate more serious consequences, including a minimum of five days suspension, if you damage or lose radios or your duty weapons.

Finally, the Department has begun installing 1,550 Dell Mobile Data Computers or MDCs in patrol and traffic vehicles, including hybrids. The notebook computers will replace the Mobile Digital Terminals (MDT). Though we had hoped to finalize installation by March, technical issues delayed this goal. We are now back on track. In April, the entire fleet of patrol vehicles in Southeast Area had the computers installed; Southwest Area followed. MDC installation is expected to continue in other Areas through July. For the first time Gang and Motor units will have these devices.

Remembering Chief Edward M. Davis *Continued from the page 1*

During his nine-year tenure, Chief Davis launched a number of progressive initiatives including Community Policing, the Basic Car Plan, Neighborhood Watch, and the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program. Chief Davis expanded the activities of Air Support Division, augmented computerization to include the Automatic Want and Warrant System, and greatly broadened the scope of advanced training in management and administration.

A man of visionary ideas, sometimes known as “Crazy Ed” for the breadth of his foresight, Chief Davis went on to create the K-9 Corps, the Asian Task Force, and Recruitment Division. He also worked fervently to increase advancement opportunities and salaries for police officers. In 1972, Chief Davis gave life to the Los Angeles Police Memorial Foundation—a concept introduced by predecessor Chief Tom Reddin—which provides assistance to families of police officers who were killed in the line of duty.

Under Chief Davis’ watch, the Department was involved in two controversial shootouts. In 1969, three officers and six Black Panthers were wounded during a four-hour standoff. Five years later, officers engaged in a shootout with the Symbionese Liberation Army. Though



Chief Edward M. Davis joined the Los Angeles Police Department in 1940 and was appointed Chief on August 29, 1969.

criticized for employing heavy-handed tactics, Chief Davis never wavered. In 1980, two years after retiring from the Department, Chief Davis was elected to his first of three terms in the California State Senate.

Throughout his career, Chief Davis mentored several of today’s most accomplished public officials. Sheriff Baca, for instance, met Chief Davis in 1966 as a student of criminal justice at California State University, Los Angeles. Similarly, when Chief Davis became senator of the 19th State Senate District, now-Senator McClintock served as his 24-year-old chief of staff.

“Although his career in law enforcement dealt with the worst in human nature, he always saw the best in people,” Senator McClintock said. “He treated people as partners.”

As a teenager, Chief Davis was forced to drop out of high school and subsequently work as a tree trimmer after his father suffered a heart attack. Despite difficult circumstances, however, Chief Davis attended classes at night, received his high school diploma, and focused on the field of criminal justice. At 21, Chief Davis was one of 5,000 prospective candidates to take the LAPD exam. Only 80 qualified for the Police Academy class, among them were Chief Davis and UCLA track star, Tom Bradley, who would later serve five terms as mayor of

Los Angeles.

During World War II, Chief Davis served in the Navy, later returning to the LAPD. While working as a full-time police officer, he went on to earn his bachelor’s degree in public administration from USC, graduating with honors.

In 1998, the Department’s Emergency Vehicle Operations Center in Granada Hills was dedicated to him and is referred to as the Edward M. Davis training facility. Chief Davis, survived by his wife, son, two daughters and several grandchildren, will long be remembered and honored by the men and women of the LAPD.

Specialized Unit Puts Shine Back on the Badge

When Chief Bratton came on the job in 2002, one of his primary goals was to put the shine back on the badge. His aim: to restore and protect the Department's image. In order to facilitate this objective, the LAPD Entertainment and Trademark Unit was established.

The specialized unit focuses on investigating and regulating works that include LAPD references. While mainly ensuring that external entities do not compromise the Department's integrity or infringe upon its intellectual property rights, the unit also serves a broader purpose—to crack down on the falsification of badges for the purpose of impersonating LAPD officers.

The Department remains at the forefront of this promising concept, leading law enforcement worldwide with its approach to intellectual property laws. The New York and Miami Police Departments, and

international policing agencies from countries such as Guam and Canada, continue to consult with the LAPD as it masters the field.

This process began in 1999 when then-City Attorney James Hahn trademarked all City marks. For the LAPD, the marks consist of the Badge, the Uniform, the Motto, "To Protect and To Serve," the "Los Angeles Police Department," LAPD, and any other mark or insignia recognizable as an LAPD mark. The City Seal, the City Fire Department and all other City Departments also now have their marks registered. In 2001, the City Attorney actually created the licensing agreements currently in use.

The licensing agreement was formed as a quality control provision to enable protection of City Trademarks by monitoring and standardizing how they are used. Regulation and protection of LAPD marks is an important part of preserving the image

and integrity of the LAPD in all aspects of the media and consumer products. These protective measures help discourage unauthorized and potentially demeaning use of important marks that define the LAPD and have widespread recognition.

The licensing agreement affects manufacturers of all commercial products including merchandise such as clothing or toys that feature any of the LAPD marks. It also impacts producers of any media that display the marks in still or motion picture footage, including films, television programs, Web sites, publications, etc. Additionally, licensing agreements are required for exhibitors of LAPD archival photographic material.

Trademark infringement comes in many forms. Common examples of infringement would include collectibles (i.e. LAPD badges), hats and T-shirts with images of the LAPD badge or the acronym "LAPD," toy police cars displaying the motto, "To Protect and To Serve," and a web site of any kind showing LAPD marks.

Initial repercussions of trademark violation/infringement usually result in *Cease and Desist* letters from the City Attorney to those responsible. Continued infringements may result in civil litigation.

Questions and reports of suspected trademark violations may be submitted directly to the Entertainment Trademark Unit by calling (213) 485-3281.



Recent Actions by the Police Commission

- APRIL 4:** Recommended to the City Administrative Officer, the replacement of all ASTRO radios through a five-year implementation plan.
- APRIL 18:** Received a briefing on the activities of the Los Angeles Police Foundation.
Received a briefing from the Co-Chairs of the West Valley Community Police Advisory Board.
- APRIL 24:** Received a status report on the review of off-duty officers working as private investigators.
Approved the Latent Print Cold Case Detail within Scientific Investigation Division.

**THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL WERE COMMENDED BY
THE COMMUNITY IN THE MONTH OF APRIL 2006**

CLERK TYPIST

Pam Boudreaux

MA II

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CARETAKER**

Ed Jaramillo

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Paul Dalton

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Gerry Chamberlain
Alex Chan
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Willie Durr
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Paul Floge
Michael Flynn
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Henry Guardado
Richard Joaquin
Jennifer Kim
Tai Kingi
Robert Lockhart
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Mitch Nowlen

John Poland

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Tyrhone Ragland

Abe Rangel

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Marc Hemsworth
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Tom Pote

Theetta Rankins

Ken Roa

Amanda Serrano

Kelvin Young

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DETECTIVE II

Alex Arredondo

Lyle Barnes

Yehuda Packer

SERGEANT I

James Bender

Hector Feliciano

Steven Smith

SERGEANT II

Joe Priebe

Dan Putz

Lou Salseda

DETECTIVE III

Rick Ramos

Ed Whyte

LIEUTENANT I

Nick Barbara

LIEUTENANT II

William Hart

Nick MacArthur

Nick Zingo

CAPTAIN I

Clay Farrell

CAPTAIN II

David Baca

Ann Young

CAPTAIN III

Richard Wemmer

**New LAPD Blog
Unveiled**

In an effort to maintain an open dialogue with the communities we serve, Chief Bratton unveiled the LAPD Blog on May 12.

The word "Blog" morphed from the term "Web log," which is an interactive, Web-based forum with real-time, unfiltered information. Chief Bratton sees the Department's Blog as a vehicle to educate the public about what the LAPD is doing, as well as a venue to respond to issues that misrepresent the Department.

Lieutenant Ruben De La Torre, Officer in Charge, Public Communications Section, and his staff will maintain the Blog with Chief Bratton regularly submitting postings. People who register with the Blog will be able to respond to these entries. The Department reserves the right to withhold comments that are offensive, but will not shy away from posting criticism.



The Blog is part of the LAPD Online Web site upgrade that began in March. Since then, monthly visits to lapdonline.org have grown from 13 to 30 million. In the near future, the Department intends to expand its Blogging capabilities to all 19 Area Stations. You may access the LAPD Blog via lapdblog.org. □

Baker to Vegas Relay Results

Some 20,000 people, including runners, support staff, volunteers, and spectators, gathered on the arid California-Nevada border for the 120-mile 22nd Annual Challenge Cup Baker to Vegas Relay, March 31-April 2, 2006.

This year, California Highway Patrol – Sacramento earned first place in the Open Category with a time of 13:05:15. The San Diego Police Department, last year's winner, came in second place overall and won the Invitational Category with a time of

13:31:46. Stockton Area finished first in the Mixed Category with a time of 14:52:15, and the LAPD's top finisher, Rampart Community Station, placed third in the Station Category with a time of 15:07:13. The Los Angeles County Sheriffs' Department placed first in the Women's Category with a time of 16:12:08.

Baker to Vegas began in 1985 as the brainchild of Officer Chuck Foote, former LAPRAAC general manager, and Officer Larry Moore, former LAPD Athletic Director. □

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Through improved technology, increased staffing and creative use of resources we continue to prove crime can be driven down even more. But the bottom-line to making Los Angeles an even safer city is you, and your commitment to leading by example. We have a golden opportunity to build upon our successes of the past several years, make changes for the better internally and build bridges of trust

with our communities. During this next fiscal year, if approved by the City Council, the budget will finally give us more of the tools we need to reach the tipping point and make Los Angeles the safest big city in America. I have no doubt that the men and women of this Department, given the proper resources and support, will seize the opportunity. □

ROLL CALL OF EVENTS

JUNE 3, 2006

7 AM

**28TH ANNUAL LAPD
MEMORIAL RELAY**

Dockweiler Beach
(323) 221-5222 Ext. 219

WEDNESDAY

JUNE 14, 2006

9:30 AM

**GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY
FOR THE NEW POLICE
HEADQUARTERS BUILDING**

(213) 485-3586

WEDNESDAY

AUGUST 2, 2006

10 AM

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE
CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

(213) 485-3135

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