LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT DEFINITION OF COMMUNITY-BASED!E>OLICING

Community-Based Policing is a guiding philosophy which strengthens the partnership between law enforcement and all the people in the communities we serve. It draws upon our goals to protect and serve by broadening and strengthening our ability to succeed in reducing crime and fear of crime. Through the empowerment of our employees and our customers, a true problem solving partnership can be created for the good of all.

THE ROLE OF THE SENIOR LEAD OFFICER IN COMMUNITY POLICING

The Senior Lead Officer (SLO) is the primary Department representative for problem solving and community mobilization for the basic car. As the Department's most visible **Customer Service Representative**, it is imperative that the role of the SLO be well defined.

It must be emphasized that the SLO is the focal point for Community Policing. With that concept in mind, the SLO's role regarding the

COMMUNITY, FIELD OFFICERS AND DETECTIVES, COMMAND STAFF, AND THE BASIC CAR CONFIGURATION is defined as follows:

1) THE COMMUNITY

- * able to identify problems
- * able to develop strategies
- * able to implement solutions
- * liaison between the Department and the Community resulting in a "common flow" of information.
- * able to identify and maintain continuous communication with all elements of the community.
- * able to identify with and be part of the community
- * develop conduct in such a manner so that each SLO is seen as a member of the community.

- * understand that crime prevention remains the primary task of each SLO
- * develop and maintain a continuous awareness of community needs, concerns, and priorities.

2) FIELD OFFICERS AND DETECTIVES, SUPPORT STAFF

- * ensure that all officers assigned to a basic car are aware of what is happening in the Basic Car area.
- * be tasked with providing mandatory input on
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 subordinates rating reports regarding Community
 Policing goals.
 - * although not a primary training officer on the basic car, the SLO is involved in training issues relating

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