

2024-2025 Napa Valley College Police Department's End-of-the Year Report

A few of Napa Valley College Police Department's Accomplishments for 2024-2025 include:

Hiring: The Napa Valley College Police Department (NVCPD) has been trying to expand to meet the needs of Napa Valley College (NVC) and our on-campus housing River Trail Village (RTV). The hiring and training of a police officer is no small endeavor and takes some time and tremendous effort. It is something that the district takes very seriously because of the importance that the individuals meet the needs and expectations of the college. This fiscal year NVCPD has been able to fill and train 1 vacant police officer position with Officer Joseph Roman and are in the process of training a 2nd and 3rd police officer position with Officer Giovanni De Haro, and Officer Michael Warren. We have also hired and trained for 2 vacant Campus Service Officer (CSO) positions with CSO Jose Solano and CSO Adan Jimenez-Reyes. We are very lucky to have had some tremendous people join our team and help support the mission of the college police to help create an environment on campus that is as safe and crime free as possible.



Parking: Thanks to a lot of work by Dispatcher Jazmin De La Cruz and CSO Jose Solano, with help from CSO Adan Jimenez-Reyes, Napa Valley College has transformed our parking program on campus. The parking program now requires parking permits for all events on campus 7 days a week. Prior to this implementation the majority of the parking fiscal responsibility had been on our students. The change has allowed the college to have the public visitors coming to our campus to use our facilities contribute to the maintenance and future improvement of parking lots, roadways, and safety on campus. Part of this change has been the expansion of the ability to purchase daily permits on campus using short codes or QR codes. People visiting campus now have many different easy options for purchasing daily parking permits.

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CLERY – Student Right to Know: With the addition of on campus housing there needed to be additions to our annual Napa Valley College Campus Safety Report. The report now includes procedures and protocols for missing persons and a Fire Safety Report. The Fire Safety Report includes things like the location of the fire log information, fire safety at RTV, fire reporting, future improvements to fire safety, and the disclosure of any fire related events at RTV. This information will now be reported upon and released annually with our Student Right to Know (Clery) Report.

Continued Community Involvement: One of NVCPD's best strengths is continued community involvement, both on campus and off, and that did not waiver this year.

NVCPD's contribution on campus include, but are not limited to: participating in on-campus events, committees/teams, college van safe driver trainings, taskforces and hiring committees; EEO representative; River Trail Village preparations/operations; and crime prevention classes and presentations. This type of connection and outreach allows college police personnel the ability to connect with students and staff outside of traditional calls for service.

Below are some of the events that NVCPD participated within the Napa community:



Special Olympics Torch Run - For the 3rd year in a row Officer Alba Madrigal organized and ran the Napa County Law Enforcement's Annual Torch Run for Special Olympics, a fundraiser where Napa County Law Enforcement carries the Special Olympics torch through all of Napa County. Sgt. Hoyt Maddox drove the support van for the entire event. Dispatcher Jazmin De La Cruz ran several legs; Officer Michael Warren, CSO Adan Jiminez-Reyes, and Chief Wade ran the college's leg from Veteran's park to NVC; and Officer Joseph Roman transported runners and covered the campus during the event. NVCPD has participated in the run raising money for Special Olympics athletes for over 16 years straight.

Walk a Mile Napa - Dispatcher De La Cruz contributed to and participated in Napa County's third Walk a Mile event.

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National Night Out - This is the fourth time NVCPD has participated in this event, now hosted at NVC, that encourages community-police partnerships to help bring trust, awareness, and crime prevention education to the community.

Shop with a Cop – NVCPD participated in Napa County's annual Shop with a COP event. This event is a great opportunity for Napa County Law Enforcement to connect with and help Napa County children and families.

1. What one or two areas needed greatest improvement, or what goals were you unable to accomplish for some reason?

The college police are still working on completing the implementation of the parking program. This was a big change for the college, and the community that use the campus, so it is a process that we hope to have complete and fully implemented by the end of Fall 2025.

NVCPD continued to train and develop our new officers and hire one additional officer. Once the training programs and requirements have been met and successfully completed NVC will have 5 police officers to cover patrol operations at NVC and RTV. Having this number of officers will enable us to extend our hours of coverage into the evenings, especially on weekends. Having more officers will also eliminate some of the overtime demands that have been put on our staff these past few years. Due to budget constraints, we were not approved to hire a second Sergeant position, which is needed to have NVCPD move towards 24-hour patrol coverage. NVC has renewed the agreement with the Napa County Sheriff's Office to cover patrol during the evening and early morning hours.

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2. Do you have any innovative ideas for your unit?

The 2025-2026 year will be a year of implementation and refinement. With growth comes extended responsibility. NVCPD will need to ensure all current and new staff are up to date and exceeding the needed and recommended trainings. The college police will also be assuring that needed equipment is acquired, trained upon, and deployed appropriately. This upcoming year there will be lots of updating and refreshment of patrol and safety tools on campus to help patrol officers be successful in their mission and allow for better communication and transparency with our community.

3. How many students did your unit serve in the 2024-25 academic year?

During the fiscal year 2024-2025, the College Police responded to 18,571 calls for service, which is a 16% increase from the previous year. In addition to the calls for service, the college police provided direct service to 661 people at our service window, which is a 23% decrease from the prior year. Also, staff provided over \$6,000 worth of assistance to students and staff in the form of fingerprint services and motorists' assistance. The college police handled 112 found items, returning 28% of them.

4. Is there any other information you think is important to note?

It takes a village! A HUGE thank you to all of our partners and the resources we have been working with. NVC tries to take a holistic approach in helping our students and that has taken on a lot more responsibility with the opening of on campus housing. The college police have been working and partnering with many departments on this campus to include but not limited to: Title IX and Civil Rights, Student Code of Conduct, BERT (Bias Education Response Team), CARE (Campus Assessment Response and Education) Team, Facilities, DSPS (Disability Support Programs & Services), Institutional Technology, and Counseling. We have also been relying on many resources both on and off campus to include but not limited to: Basic Needs, Health Center, Mentis, NEWS, and Napa County Mental Health Mobile Response Team. This is all to help ensure that our students, staff, and residents are able to get the support they need while at Napa Valley College.