



ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT
PROCEDURAL ORDERS

SOP 2-29 (Formerly 5-4)

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2-29 CHILD EXPLOITATION DETAIL (CED)

Related SOP(s), Form(s), Other Resource(s), and Rescinded Special Order(s):

A. Related SOP(s)

[1-26 Special Victims Section \(Formerly 5-4\)](#)

B. Form(s)

None

C. Other Resource(s)

None

D. Rescinded Special Order(s)

None

2-29-1 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to outline the duties and responsibilities of detectives and Department personnel assigned to the Child Exploitation Detail (CED).

2-29-2 Policy

It is the policy of the Albuquerque Police Department (Department) to investigate allegations of predatory, preferential targeting of children.

N/A 2-29-3 Definitions

A. Preferential Offender

An individual whose offense is associated with their preferred sexual behavior and related to children aged twelve (12) and younger and related to the child's gender.

B. Undercover Officer

Any on-duty sworn personnel working in a covert manner pursuant to an approved undercover operation designed to obtain information about criminal activity of individuals or organizations through the development of ongoing relationships with individuals or organizations.



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2-29-4 Procedures

N/A

A. CED Detectives shall abide by all requirements outlined in SOP Special Victims Section (refer to SOP Special Victims Section for sanction classifications and additional duties).

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B. Investigations

1. CED Detectives shall conduct investigations involving individuals who conduct predatory, preferential targeting of children as their victims in sexual crimes based on the following:
 - a. The non-familial individual must be in a position where there is ongoing access to children; and/or
 - b. There was a delayed sexual multi-victim crime perpetrated by a single known, non-familial, preferential offender.
2. CED Detectives shall investigate child pornography cases, including the manufacturing, possession, and distribution of child pornography.
3. CED Detectives are members of the New Mexico Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (NMICACTF) and shall maintain minimum task force requirements.

N/A

4. The Special Victims Section Lieutenant may require CED Detectives to work in an undercover capacity, both in person and, as necessary, in an online and/or chat operation.

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C. Case Handling

1. CED Detectives shall:
 - a. Handle sensitive case information in an appropriate manner so as to not subject others to disturbing material; and
 - b. Ensure all assigned cases are entered into the appropriate case tracking program for case de-confliction and supervisory follow-up.
2. Only the Special Victims Section Lieutenant or their designee shall determine which material or case information may be released.