ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT PROCEDURAL ORDERS



SOP 2-63

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2-63 CRIME STOPPERS INVESTIGATIONS

Related SOP(s), Form(s), Other Resource(s), and Rescinded Special Order(s):

A. Related SOP(s)

None

B. Form(s)

Crime Stoppers Tip Information Form

C. Other Resource(s)

NMSA 1978, §§ 29-12A-1 through 29-12A-6 Crimes Stoppers

D. Rescinded Special Order(s)

None

2-63-1 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to implement the Crime Stoppers Program to prevent and reduce crime by forming a partnership between the community, law enforcement, and the media and offering anonymity and cash rewards to anyone who provides information leading to an arrest. The Crime Stoppers Program encourages community members to overcome impediments, including fear and apathy, to assist local law enforcement agencies in the fight against crime, and thus, furthers the goal of making the community a safer place for all who live or work in the region.

2-63-2 Policy

It is the policy of the Albuquerque Police Department (Department) to coordinate a Department-wide information system that safeguards the confidentiality and anonymity of Crime Stoppers Informants.

N/A 2-63-3 Definitions

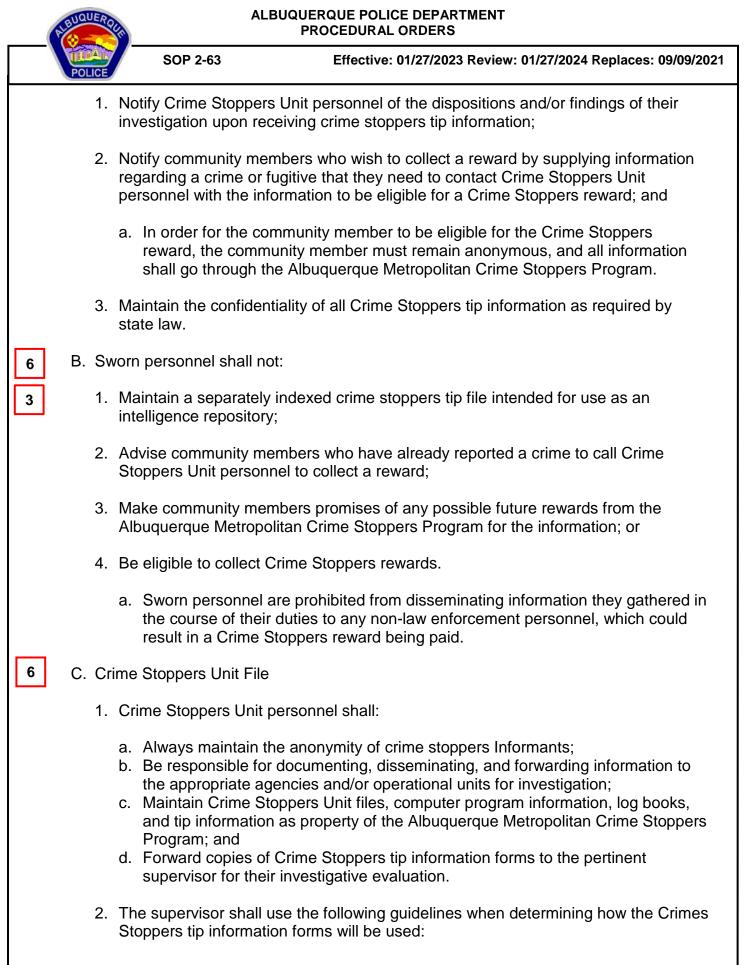
A. Informant

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An individual who provides information on suspected criminal activity.

2-63-4 Procedures

A. Sworn personnel shall:



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a. Operational Use:

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- i. All Crime Stoppers information forms shall be put into operational use within the two (2) weeks from the date of receipt by sworn personnel; and
- ii. Crime Stoppers tip information forms that have not been put into operational use within the two (2) weeks must be returned to the Crime Stoppers Unit.
- b. Intelligence Use:
 - i. If a supervisor or sworn personnel receiving the information determines the information shall not be used operationally, they shall return the Crime Stoppers tip information form to the Crime Stoppers Unit.