

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT UNIT

Quarterly Newsletter

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

UCPD in partnership with Cal Dining, University Village Albany(UVA) and the FUPOA police union delivered 75 turkey dinners for UVA families in need. p. 2



CEU INITIATIVES

The Community Engagement Unit (CEU) led a Toys for Tots holiday toy fundraiser. The CEU guides the student Community Service Officer (CSO) program. p. 3

SAFETY & SECURITY

Our dedicated student CSOs are here for you even during the pandemic. BearWalk safety escorts are available from 7:00PM-3:00AM. More info @ NightSafety.berkeley.edu p. 2








EMPLOYEE HIGHLIGHTS



Corporal DiMarco Hoskins is our featured employee this quarter. DiMarco is a Field Training Officer, K9 handler and member of the Community Engagement Unit (CEU). DiMarco patrols with his trusty sidekick and lovable mutt K9 "Dexter" (see Dexter up top). UCPD welcomed K9 Dexter in September 2019 and K9 Dexter has been melting hearts ever since. Pre-pandemic, you may have seen DiMarco and his K9 partner walking through the Plaza to say 'hi'. DiMarco and K9 Dexter perform campus patrols, special event patrols, and stand ready to respond to potential bomb threats to help keep the campus safe. DiMarco enjoys spending time with family, working out and cheering for his favorite team the San Francisco 49ers.

UCPD AT A GLANCE

-  Total Sworn Officers: 48
-  Total Employees: ~115 (including student CSOs)
-  UC Berkeley property area patrolled: 1,232 acres
-  Employees with Degrees: 37 (Bachelors), 3 (Masters), 1 (JD)
-  Current employees who graduated from Cal: 10
-  Current employees who were CSOs: 10
-  Dollars raised for Special Olympics in '20: \$1,165



Lt. Miller runs in the virtual Torch Run fundraiser for Special Olympics athletes

HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS

As the Fall semester winds down and many start making plans for the holidays, we want to help you and yours stay safe this season. Thefts and break-ins can become more frequent during the holiday season, partly because of increased opportunity with fewer people in the campus area. If you are planning to be away, please secure your windows/doors and either lock up or take valuables home with you. Keep these safety tips in mind:

Mail/Package Theft Prevention:
-Set up alerts or tracking with the sender

Sign up for informed delivery through USPS


- Never leave mail overnight
- Don't open the door to unsolicited guests unless you feel safe to do so
- Beware of "Phishing" online scams that may attempt to solicit personal identifying information



Vehicle Burglary Prevention:

- Lock your doors/close windows
- Take valuables with you or secure them out of sight in trunk
- Store packages/gifts out of sight and bring them home to a secure location if making multiple trips
- Park in lighted areas

General Safety Tips:

- Place electronics, cell phones and valuables out of sight
- Travel with a friend and stay in well-lit, well-traveled areas
- Be aware of your surroundings 

CSO BEARWALK SAFETY ESCORTS

Our CSOs serve the campus by providing night safety BearWALK escorts, security for campus Covid testing sites, security and traffic control for events and community service projects like our 7th Annual Turkey Drive. For those who are staying in the area over winter break, UCPD wants to remind the campus community to use a safe conveyance such as BearWALK night safety escort or choose to walk with a friend. BearWALK operates starting at dusk, 7 days a week, and you can book an escort through our phone app (nightsafety.berkeley.edu) or via phone at 510-642-WALK (9255).



CSOs load Thanksgiving meals to be sorted and delivered.

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IN-PROGRESS
EMERGENCY
DIAL 9-1-1

TO REPORT A
NON-EMERGENCY
DIAL (510) 642-6760

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KEY DATES TO KNOW:

DEC 18 - JAN 11
WINTER BREAK

JAN 12 2021
SPRING SEMESTER
BEGINS

MARCH 22- 26, 2021
SPRING RECESS



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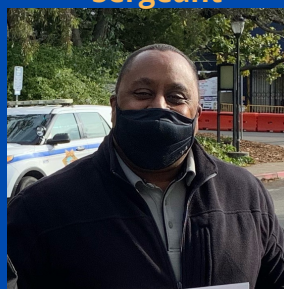
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CEU INITIATIVES

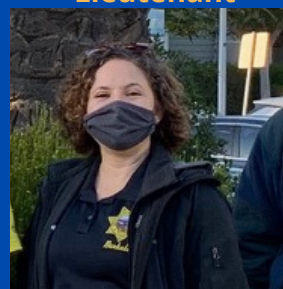
The Community Engagement Unit (CEU) was created in January 2020 in response to community feedback. "We listened to our community members," said Chief Margo Bennett, "and realized we needed to find a way for our officers to have more meaningful interactions rather than go call-to-call." The CEU has taken the lead on CSO outreach, Covid Testing site security, community meetings and safety presentations. As part of their efforts, CEU has been participating on the mental health and policing committee. They also act as liaison to the Homeless Outreach Coordinator for the campus and as liaison with city partners on homelessness issues. CEU has helped increase UCPD's social media engagement finding new ways to connect during the pandemic. CEU is in the process of developing a CSO-led safety training in partnership with the ASUC. On the horizon, we are collaborating with stakeholders to develop plans for a Community Academy as we explore new ways to facilitate community and police officer learning opportunities.

Community Engagement Unit Meet the Team

Jim Jenkins,
Sergeant



Sabrina Reich,
Lieutenant



DiMarco Hoskins,
Corporal



More Photos Coming Soon!