

# 2025



## Madera Police Department Annual Report



# 2025 ANNUAL REPORT



## MADERA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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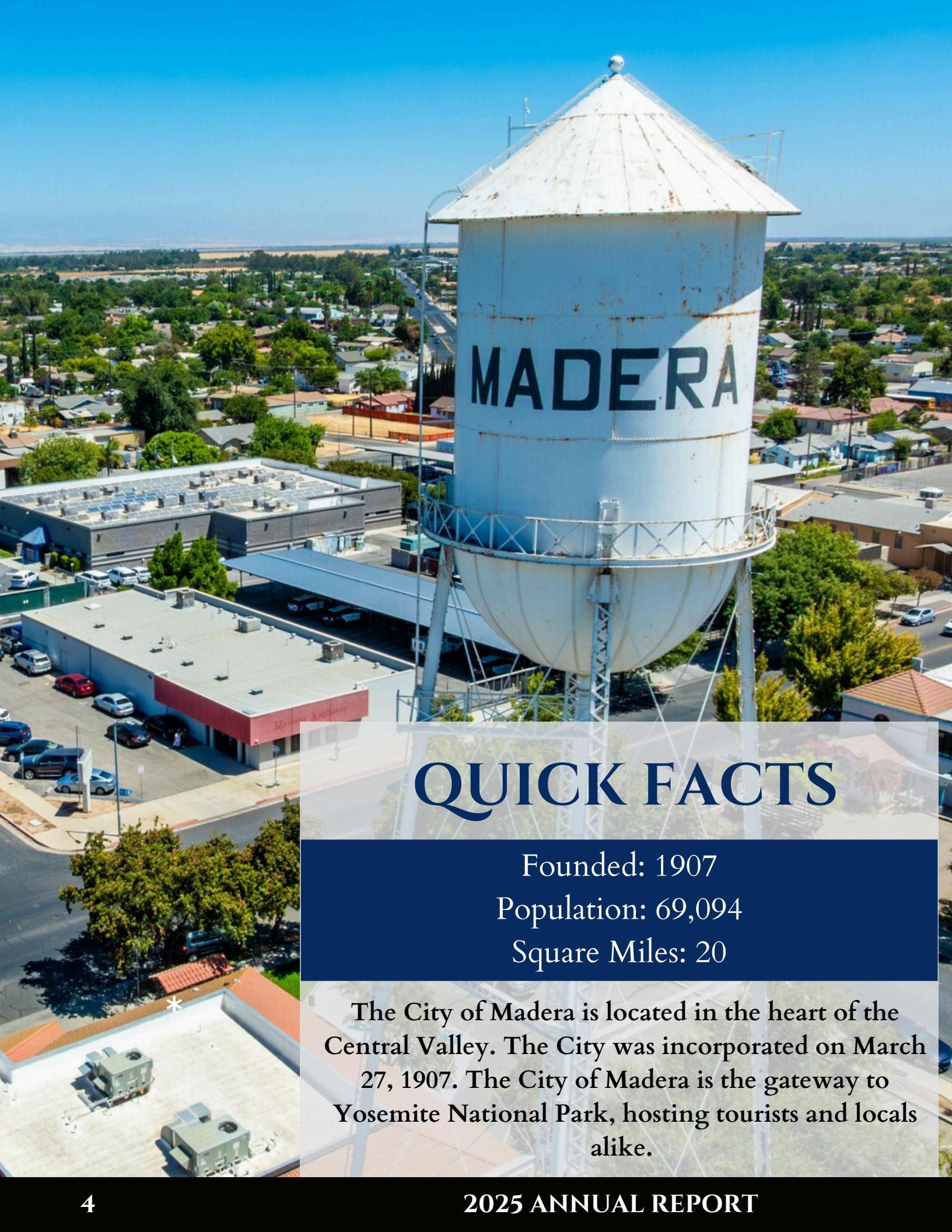


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## QUICK FACTS

Founded: 1907

Population: 69,094

Square Miles: 20

The City of Madera is located in the heart of the Central Valley. The City was incorporated on March 27, 1907. The City of Madera is the gateway to Yosemite National Park, hosting tourists and locals alike.

# CITY OF MADERA COUNCIL MEMBERS



**Mayor  
Cecelia "Cece" Gallegos**



**Council Member  
Rohi Zacharia  
District 1**



**Mayor Pro Tem  
Jose Rodriguez  
District 2**



**Council Member  
Steve Montes  
District 3**



**Council Member  
Anita Evans  
District 4**



**Council Member  
Elsa Mejia  
District 5**



**Council Member  
Artemio Villegas  
District 6**

# CHIEF'S MESSAGE



As we reflect on the past year, I am filled with pride and gratitude for the resilience of our town and the dedication of the men and women who serve within this department. This annual report is more than a collection of data; it is a blueprint of our mission to be devoted to family and community through superior service and partnerships.

This year brought unique pressures and essential conversations to our doorstep. We recognize that true safety is built on a foundation of trust, particularly regarding sensitive issues like immigration enforcement. We have leaned into these challenges by prioritizing transparency. By being clear about our roles and listening to the concerns of all residents, we ensure that every member of our community feels seen, heard, and protected. We remain committed to reducing crime while treating every individual with dignity and respect.

Our community was tested this year by an active shooter event that shook us to our core and the heartbreaking loss of Eric Velasquez. It was a moment of darkness that could have resulted in an unthinkable tragedy. However, because of the quick response and heroic actions of our officers, a mass casualty event was prevented. These homegrown heroes rose to the occasion, putting their lives between danger and our citizens. Their bravery serves as a reminder of the thin line our staff walks every day to keep our streets safe.

Effective policing requires that prevention be just as vital as response. This year, we expanded our reach through deep-rooted community partnerships like the OPTIONS Program. In collaboration with the Madera Unified School District (MUSD), we are providing students with the resources and guidance they need to make positive life choices.

Our youth outreach continues to be a priority, with new programs bridging the gap between sports and law enforcement. Whether through the week-long MADKids camp or Sandlot Saturdays, our officers are mentoring the next generation through teamwork and play.

As you explore the achievements within these pages, I hope you are inspired by the positive changes and the individuals who make them possible. We are not just a police department; we are your neighbors, coaches, and friends, ready to face and overcome any challenge alongside you.

Thank you for your continued support and for sharing our vision for a safer, more connected community.

# ADMINISTRATION



**Chief of Police  
Giachino Chiamonte  
24 years of service**



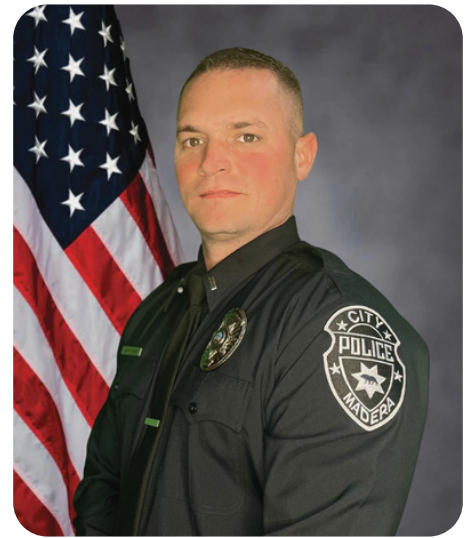
**Commander  
Josiah Arnold  
22 years of service**



**Lieutenant  
Alicia Videgain  
18 years of service**



**Lieutenant  
Felix Gonzalez  
22 years of service**



**Lieutenant  
Mark Adams  
16 years of service**

# POWERS, DUTIES, & FUNCTIONS

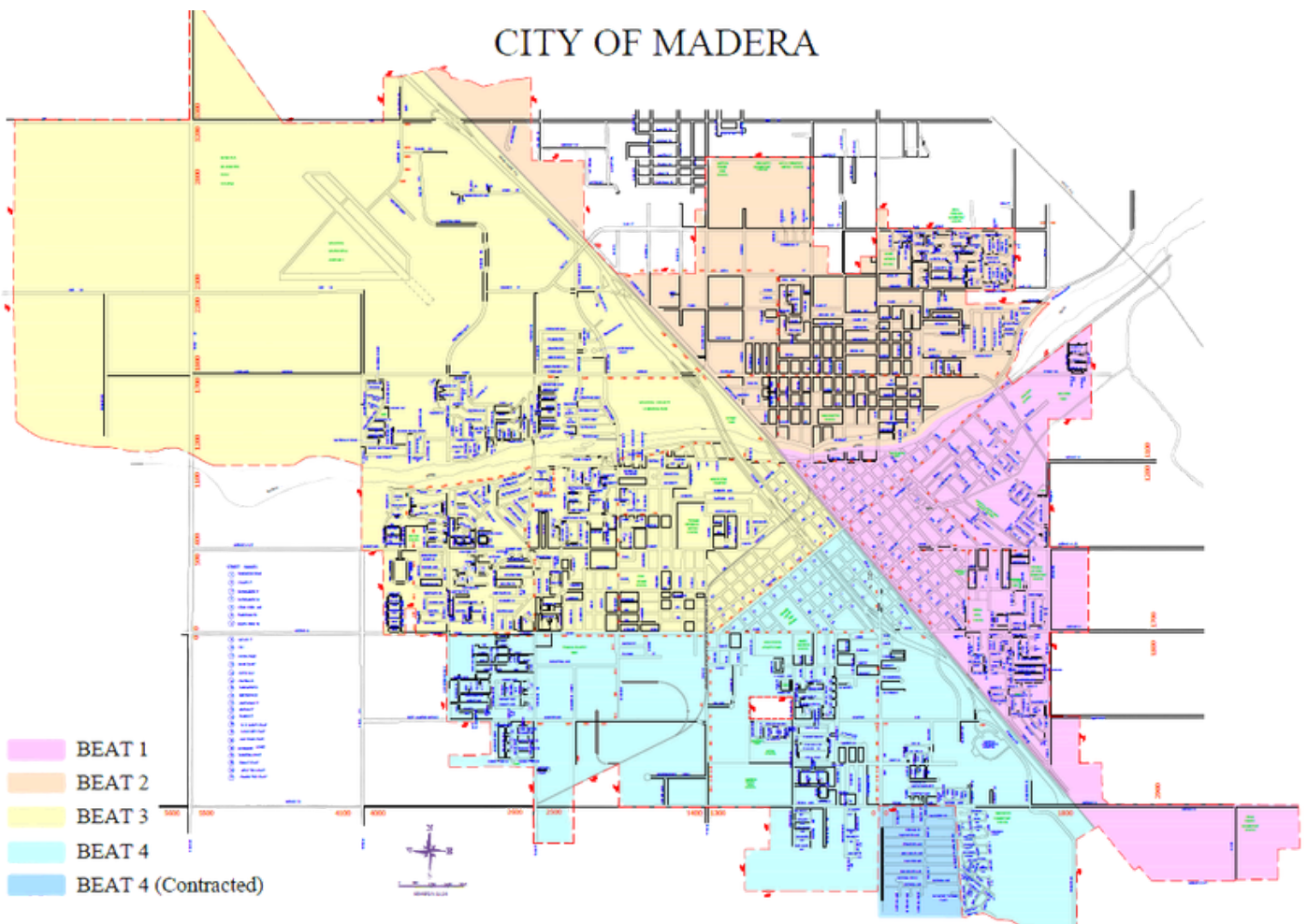
The Madera Police Department is a full service law enforcement agency consisting of sworn officers and professional staff employees. The Chief of Police is directly accountable to the City Manager and directs the operation and administration of the agency. The department is responsible for:

- Preservation of the public peace
- Protection of the rights of all persons and property
- Prevention of crime
- Detection and arrest of offenders
- Enforcement of violations of state laws and city ordinances
- Building partnerships with citizens
- Proactive patrols to deter criminal activity
- Traffic enforcement and education to reduce collisions
- Providing superior service
- Code Enforcement
- Downtown parking enforcement
- Animal Control



**City Manager  
Arnaldo Rodriguez**

The department covers 20 square miles with a population of 69,094 residents. The city is divided into four beats. Our patrol officers work 12-hour shifts, which includes a day and night shift. Each shift is staffed with one Sergeant, one Corporal and a minimum of five officers.



# CRIME AT A GLANCE

UNIFORM  
CRIME  
REPORTING  
COMPARING  
2024-2025

OVERALL CRIME  
DECREASED 2.9%

VIOLENT CRIME  
DECREASED 1%

PROPERTY CRIME  
DECREASED 3.7 %



**1**

Homicides



**25**

Professional Staff  
Employees



**65,715**

Dispatched Calls  
for Service



**5,594**

Total Arrests

**2025**



**247**

DUI Arrests



**4**

Fatality  
Collisions



**63**

Sworn  
Officers



**11,056**

Traffic Stops

# 2025 YEAR IN REVIEW

## JANUARY

In January, officers participated in the Red Sand Project as part of ongoing efforts to raise awareness about human trafficking.



## FEBRUARY

MPD First Responder Appreciation event at Madera Valley West Christian Center.



## MARCH

The Police Department hosted a town hall meeting with city leaders to discuss community concerns.



## APRIL

Egg-stra Special Event at Town & Country Park with the Chief of Police and Commander, as kids and families participated in a bunny photo op.



## MAY

Madera Police officers joined the Madera High softball team for Law Enforcement Appreciation.



## JUNE

MPD hosted a Safety Fair at Walmart in Madera, partnering with Walmart staff to promote safety and community awareness.



## JULY

Three fun-filled days at MAD-KIDS Summer Camp with officers, packed with games, activities, and plenty of smiles.



## AUGUST

The Woodlands Drive Neighborhood Watch brought neighbors together to hear from officers and community leaders



## SEPTEMBER

An officer brings stories to life for young learners at St. Joachim's during "Learning with the Law."



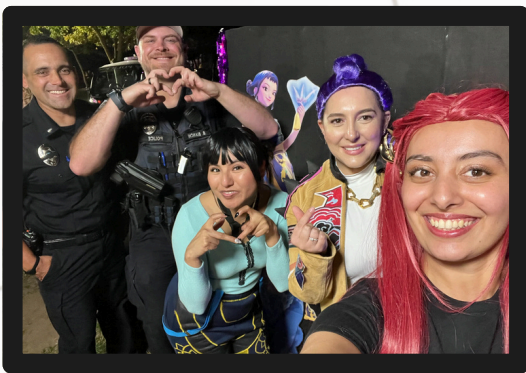
## NOVEMBER

Officers and the Pomegranate Festival mascot brought smiles and fun at the Madera Fairgrounds, hosted by the Madera Chamber of Commerce.



## OCTOBER

Admin Lieutenant and Outreach Officer pose while professional staff wow in K-pop demon hunter girl group costumes at our popular booth during National Night Out Halloween edition!



## DECEMBER

The Police Department enjoyed a festive visit as students sang Christmas carols for officers.





## PATROL DIVISION

The Patrol Division is the largest and most active unit within the Madera Police Department, responsible for a wide range of duties to keep the community safe. Operating with four teams on 12-hour shifts, each led by a sergeant and corporal with a minimum of five officers, the division ensures citywide coverage.

Patrol officers respond to everything from vehicle collisions and thefts to violent crimes, fires, noise complaints, and persons in distress. As the first line of response, they play a crucial role in addressing immediate needs and maintaining public safety.

Every officer in the Patrol Division is dedicated to serving the community with professionalism, integrity, and accountability, upholding the trust placed in them and striving to exceed expectations every day.

# OFFICER WORKLOAD



**5,594**  
**Arrests**



**65,715**  
**Dispatched Calls  
for Service**



**11,056**  
**Traffic Stops  
Conducted**



**29,170**  
**Officer Self-  
Initiated Calls**

## THE AVERAGE TIME AN OFFICER SPENDS ON A CALL:

Priority 1: 20 minutes 6 seconds

Priority 2: 18 minutes

Priority 3: 16 minutes 42 seconds

An explanation of how calls are prioritized can be found on page #15.



## COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

The Communications Center is the heartbeat of the Madera Police Department, ensuring fast, coordinated responses to the community's needs. In 2025, the center handled 101,551 calls for service, including 23,810 9-1-1 calls, carefully assessing each situation to dispatch the appropriate personnel quickly and efficiently.

Equipped with three dedicated 9-1-1 lines and six non-emergency lines, dispatchers expertly manage high call volumes and seamlessly transfer calls to neighboring jurisdictions when necessary. Using police radios and the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system, they track officers' status in real time, monitor city cameras through the Real Time Information Center, and provide critical information to officers in the field. The Communications Center also coordinates responses with Animal Control, Code Enforcement, and Parking Enforcement to ensure comprehensive public safety coverage. Additionally, Dispatch serves as the after-hours emergency contact for all City services, ensuring residents always have access to assistance when they need it most.

The Communications Center remains a cornerstone of MPD and the City's operations, connecting the community to the services it relies on every day.

In 2025, the Police Department handled 65,715 events, including community-initiated calls (crimes, public safety concerns) and officer-initiated activities such as vehicle stops and pedestrian checks. Calls for service can lead to a report, an area check, or an arrest.

We remain committed to prompt, high-quality service, aiming to maintain the lowest possible response times. Each call is categorized based on its priority and immediate need:

- **Emergency:** Code 3, “Lights & Siren” response, such as a man with a gun, a traffic collision with injuries, or a medical emergency.
- **Priority 1:** High-priority calls, such as a domestic disturbance, a missing child, or a fight in progress.
- **Priority 2:** Urgent calls, such as a disturbance or a non-injury traffic collision.
- **Priority 3:** Non-urgent calls for incidents that have occurred and the suspect is no longer on scene and with no immediate need for an officer, such as vandalism that occurred the day before.

Response times shown in the chart are measured from the moment the call is received by dispatch to the officer’s arrival at the scene.

	2025	2024	2023
<b>Emergency</b>	4 min. 30 sec.	4 min. 40 secs.	4 min. 30 secs.
<b>Priority 1</b>	6 min. 30 sec.	6 min. 54 secs.	7 min. 42 secs.
<b>Priority 2</b>	6 min. 12 sec.	7 min. 18 secs.	7 min. 2 secs.
<b>Priority 3</b>	36 min. 54 sec.	35 min. 42 secs.	35 min. 42 secs.



## INVESTIGATIONS

The Investigations Unit of the Madera Police Department is led by Sergeant Blake Short and supported by a skilled team of detectives and a crime analyst dedicated to solving the city's most serious cases. In 2025, the unit handled 719 cases, reflecting its continued focus on complex and high-impact investigations.

The unit is responsible for all felony investigations within the City of Madera, including homicides, assaults, sexual assaults, robberies, missing persons, and fraud. Each case is assigned to a detective who conducts a thorough investigation, following evidence wherever it leads to ensure accountability and justice.

Investigators work closely with the District Attorney's Office to prepare cases for prosecution, striving to hold offenders accountable while providing answers and closure for victims. Through diligence, collaboration, and commitment, the Investigations Unit remains a critical component of the department's mission to safeguard the Madera community.

# TOP 10 CALLS FOR SERVICE

2025		2024		2023	
TRAFFIC STOP	11,056	TRAFFIC STOP	7,667	TRAFFIC STOP	6,990
FOLLOW-UP	4,399	FOLLOW -UP	5,546	PATROL CHECK	4,636
PATROL CHECK	3,948	PATROL CHECK	3,656	FOLLOW-UP	4,224
MEDICAL AID	3,521	CHECK VEHICLE	3,205	REQUEST OFFICER	3,591
REQUEST OFFICER	3,111	REQUEST OFFICER	3,120	CHECK VEHICLE	2,980
CHECK AREA	2,482	CHECK AREA	2,057	CHECK WELFARE	2,305
CHECK VEHICLE	2,224	STRAY ANIMAL	1,822	CHECK AREA	2,081
CHECK WELFARE	2,049	PEDESTRIAN CHECK	1,754	STRAY ANIMAL	1,732
PEDESTRIAN CHECK	1,991	CHECK WELFARE	1,669	NOISE, LOUD PARTY	1,684
STRAY ANIMAL	1,686	MEDICAL AID	1,559	ALARM	1,610

# CRIME STATISTICS

	HOMICIDE	RAPE	ROBBERY	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	VIOLENT CRIME	BURGLARY	LARCENY	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	PROPERTY CRIMES
2025	1	28	48	263	340	64	648	141	853
2024	2	25	55	260	342	203	656	230	1089
2023	3	35	54	318	410	142	792	223	1157
2022	2	22	72	279	375	64	706	140	910



## SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT (SIU)

The Special Investigations Unit (SIU) is a multi-agency team dedicated to addressing serious and ongoing criminal activity in Madera. The unit is comprised of personnel from the Madera Police Department, Madera County Sheriff's Office, Chowchilla Police Department, and Madera County Probation Department, working collaboratively to target gang activity, drug sales, illegal firearms, stolen vehicles, and high-risk offenders.

In 2025, SIU made 93 arrests, secured nine gang enhancements, initiated 12 drug sales cases, and addressed 61 probation violations. The unit seized 65 illegal firearms, investigated two gun manufacturing cases, and recovered 17 stolen vehicles. Investigators also served 47 court-authorized warrants, including Ramey, cell phone, and tracker warrants, ensuring thorough and legally sound case development.

Through collaboration, strategic enforcement, and focused investigations, the Special Investigations Unit plays a vital role in enhancing public safety and maintaining a safer community for Madera residents.



# TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

Traffic safety remains a priority for the Madera Police Department. In 2025, the Traffic Division was staffed by one full-time Sergeant, two traffic officers, and a part-time Downtown Parking Enforcement Officer. Although traffic staffing diminished, officer's combined enforcement efforts were focused on high-risk areas, including school zones, speeding violations, and impaired driving.

Department traffic enforcement activity increased in 2025 despite reduced staffing levels. Officers conducted 7,667 traffic stops in 2024 and 11,056 traffic stops in 2025, representing a significant increase in enforcement activity and officer visibility.

The department continued its School Zone Blitz initiative in 2025, emphasizing targeted enforcement and education in school areas. These efforts support improved compliance, enhanced roadway safety, and the department's ongoing commitment to traffic safety throughout the community.



## TOTAL COLLISIONS 567

The total traffic collisions investigated by MPD in 2025 include both injury and non-injury collisions.



## TOTAL FATAL COLLISIONS 4

Fatal traffic investigations include collisions involving pedestrians, bicyclists, and vehicles.



## TOTAL TRAFFIC CITATIONS 3,517

Citations are issued by patrol officers, the Traffic Division, and a part-time Downtown Parking Enforcement Officer.



## TOTAL DUI ARRESTS 247

DUI investigations are conducted by patrol officers and traffic officers. Our department conducts DUI and Drivers License Checkpoints throughout the year.

## COMMUNITY RESPONSE TEAM (CRT)

The Community Response Team (CRT), staffed by Sergeant Nick Webster, continues to strengthen connections between the Madera Police Department and the community. The department accomplishes this through programs like Citizens' Academy, MAD-Kids Summer Camp, Cookie with a Cop, and Coffee with a Cop. CRT fosters positive relationships while supporting vulnerable populations, including unhoused individuals. By combining outreach, resource coordination, and engagement, CRT promotes safety, trust, and quality of life throughout Madera.



# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT (NNO) HALLOWEEN EDITION

In 2025, the Police Department partnered with local agencies to host the annual National Night Out Halloween Edition at Courthouse Park. This event brings together neighbors, police officers, and city officials for an evening of fun while promoting public safety and community partnerships.

MPD employees attended and engaged with community members throughout the event, fostering positive interactions and open communication. The department's "K-Pop Demon Hunters" themed booth was a crowd favorite and added a creative, golden touch to the evening's festivities.

The connections built during National Night Out continue to strengthen trust and enhance communication between the department and the community. Planning is already underway for NNO 2026.





The MADFIT program generated strong interest across the department and was designed as a flexible, inclusive fitness initiative. Recognizing that fitness is not one size fits all, the program encouraged members to work toward personal goals through activities that matched their interests and abilities.



Participants took part in a variety of events throughout the year, including 10K races, Spartan races, obstacle challenges, trail runs, and community fun runs. There were no performance standards; participation and effort were the primary focus.

Completion of three qualifying events earned recognition at year's end. Participation was voluntary and intended to promote wellness, camaraderie, and exploration of new challenges. Supervisors for weekend teams were permitted to request alternatives when event availability was limited.



# CANINE “K9” PROGRAM

The Madera Police Department has proudly maintained its Canine (K9) Program for several decades, recognizing the vital role these highly trained dogs play in supporting daily law enforcement operations. The department currently operates two K9 units in the Patrol Division.

Each K9 lives with their assigned handler and works alongside them daily to protect the community. Training is conducted both at home and in the field, with formal sessions held regularly to maintain operational proficiency. Beyond enforcement duties, the K9s serve as valued ambassadors during community events and public engagements.

**Corporal Smith and Goose:**

Partners since 2020, Corporal Smith works with Goose, a seven-year-old Belgian Malinois trained in apprehension and narcotics detection. They are assigned to the Patrol Division.

**Officer Trinh and Bonnie:**

Bonnie is a five-year-old Golden Retriever specializing in narcotics detection. Officer Trinh and Bonnie have been partners since 2023 and are assigned to the Patrol Division.

The K9 Program continues to reflect the department’s commitment to proactive policing, operational excellence, and public safety.





## SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

Officers Gabriel Johnson, Sandra Higareda, and Ruben Hernandez are assigned to serve the middle and high schools within the Madera Unified School District. They respond to incidents on campus, address criminal or safety concerns, and work closely with MUSD security staff to ensure a safe and supportive learning environment for all students.



## HOUSING AUTHORITY OFFICER

Officer Juan Gaona continued serving as the Housing Authority Officer, providing dedicated law enforcement services to Housing Authority properties throughout the City of Madera. His ongoing presence supported safety, responsiveness, and quality-of-life efforts within these communities.





## PROFESSIONAL STAFF

The Records Unit, under the supervision of Auxiliary Services Supervisor Celia Garnica, provides essential administrative support to both sworn personnel and the public. The unit is staffed by four full-time Records Clerks: Melissa Martinez, Jannalyn Barrera, Erika Contreras, and Brissia Galindo Garcia, who are responsible for processing police reports, records requests, and related documentation to ensure timely and accurate information flow. In 2025, the Records Unit processed 1,005 citizen record requests. The Records Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. To request a copy of a police report, contact the Records Unit at 559-675-4228 or email [mpdrecords@madera.gov](mailto:mpdrecords@madera.gov). Requests may also be made in person during normal business hours.

The Property and Evidence Unit is staffed by Property and Evidence Officers Karyn Burns and Mayra Suarez-Jimenez, who manage the secure storage and documentation of evidence and property held for safekeeping. In 2025, the unit processed 10,136 digital evidence files and 14,498 items of evidence, safekeeping property, and found property in support of investigations and court proceedings.



# ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal Control continued to provide essential services to protect the safety and well-being of both residents and animals within the City of Madera. The unit is staffed by two full-time Animal Control Officers, Jordan Delarosa and Brett Letourneau (not pictured), and part-time Officer Gabriel Hernandez, who respond to a wide range of calls for service, including stray animals, dangerous animals, noise complaints, and deceased animals.

In 2025, Animal Control Officers handled a total of 4,211 calls for service, including 1,683 stray animal calls, 851 dead animal calls, 684 general animal complaints, 417 injured animal calls, 129 animal noise complaints, 73 dog bite calls, and 62 vicious animal calls. Officers also conducted 312 animal control follow-ups to ensure compliance, investigate ongoing issues, and support positive outcomes for both residents and animals.

Through proactive response and enforcement of municipal codes, Animal Control personnel play an important role in protecting public safety and addressing animal-related concerns within the community.





## CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement continued its role in supporting community beautification and orderly development by addressing residential and commercial property violations in accordance with the Madera Municipal Code. The unit responded to a variety of issues, including public nuisance complaints, abandoned vehicles, vacant buildings, illegal dumping, and substandard housing, while working with responsible parties to achieve voluntary compliance through education and corrective action.

In addition to enforcement efforts, Code Enforcement supported citywide development by ensuring compliance with permit and licensing requirements in coordination with the Business License, Building, Engineering, Planning, and Public Works divisions.





## OFFICER TRAINING

The Madera Police Department provides comprehensive training to ensure officers remain current with all California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) standards. Quarterly sessions cover arrest and control tactics, firearms and less-lethal devices, de-escalation, emergency driving, tactical communication, domestic violence response, and CPR.

Specialized units, including S.W.A.T., Crisis Negotiation, Detectives, SIU, Traffic, School Resource Officers, and Drone Pilots, receive additional training tailored to their roles.

Officer wellness is a priority. In 2025, the Peer Support Team expanded to six members, helping officers manage stress and maintain both mental and physical well-being.



# JOIN OUR TEAM!

The Madera Police Department is actively seeking motivated, professional individuals for a range of career opportunities, including lateral transfer Police Officers, Police Officer Trainees, and Police Officer II positions. We are looking for qualified candidates who are committed to serving the City of Madera with integrity and respect.

If you're interested in making a meaningful impact in our community, please contact the Madera Police Department at (559) 675-4247 to speak with Sergeant Boehm. You can also reach him via email at [sboehm@madera.gov](mailto:sboehm@madera.gov) or find more details about job openings at [madera.gov/apply](http://madera.gov/apply).

**APPLY TODAY  
PROTECT TOMORROW  
A REWARDING CAREER**





## CITIZENS' ACADEMY

The Citizens' Academy continues to strengthen partnerships between the Madera Police Department and the community. Designed for residents and individuals who work in the City of Madera, the program provides participants with an in-depth look at department operations and collaboration with our local law enforcement partners.

This engaging 13-week course meets once per week and offers both classroom instruction and hands-on learning experiences, giving participants insight into patrol operations, investigations, specialized units, and public safety procedures.

In 2025, we proudly graduated Class 16.





## SUMMER CAMP

Our annual Mad-Kids Summer Camp, held every July, is one of the most exciting and fun outreach programs we offer. This three-day camp is designed for kids in 4th through 6th grade and focuses on sports-based activities that help build positive relationships between our officers and the youth in our community. The camp emphasizes teamwork while teaching important values such as accountability, respect, integrity, and compassion.

At the Madera Police Department, we believe investing in the young people of our community is investing in our future. Each year, the camp serves as a reminder of how bright the future of Madera truly is and inspires us to continue working towards strengthening these connections.





## EXPLORER PROGRAM

The Explorer Program offers teens ages 14–21 a hands-on introduction to careers in the criminal justice system while building leadership and life skills. Led by Corporal Kayla Bianchi and Officers Brian Rosas, Nathan Munoz, Ruben Hernandez, Jeremy Trinh, Sandra Higareda, Priscilla Ramirez, and Brandon Bianchi, participants gain mentorship and real-world experience.

Meeting twice a month, explorers engage in interactive training, scenario exercises, physical fitness challenges, and ride-a-longs. Participants also assist with certain operational activities, including undercover tobacco compliance stings. In addition, explorers support numerous community events such as MAD-Kids Summer Camp, school carnivals, parades, the Egg-stra Special Event, Halloween Spooktacular, the Pomegranate Festival, and the 4th of July Fireworks. Through these activities, the program fosters law enforcement skills, civic responsibility, teamwork, and confidence, preparing Madera's next generation of leaders.



# CHAPLAIN & VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



Chaplain Tim Echevarria



Chaplain Mike Unger



Chaplain Derek Sylvester



Volunteer Anita Eden



Father Mariusz Beczek



Father Stephen Spencer

The Chaplain Program is a volunteer initiative that builds a strong partnership between local faith leaders and the Madera Police Department. Chaplains provide support to officers during critical or sensitive situations and offer guidance, counsel, and comfort to both officers and community members facing challenging circumstances. They also help connect individuals with resources and referrals when needed.

The Madera Police Department Volunteer Program is an essential part of our efforts to serve the community. By leveraging the skills, time, and experience of volunteers, the department expands its ability to assist residents and enhance public safety. Volunteers are matched with tasks that fit their strengths, and no prior experience is required. Scheduling is flexible to accommodate busy lifestyles.

We are actively accepting volunteer applications and welcome anyone interested in making a positive impact in Madera. Applications are available at the Madera Police Department, or call (559) 675-4247 to have one sent to you.

# SERVICE RECOGNITION

In January 2025, Madera Police Department officers responded to an active shooter incident at the Walgreens on West Cleveland Avenue.

Officers quickly arrived from multiple locations and immediately encountered the perpetrator reloading his handgun, taking him into custody and preventing further harm.

Tragically, the perpetrator caused the death of an innocent Walgreens employee, a devoted family man. This loss remains deeply felt, and we will forever grieve this senseless tragedy. All personnel who responded played a critical role at a crucial moment, protecting lives and ensuring the perpetrator was brought to justice.

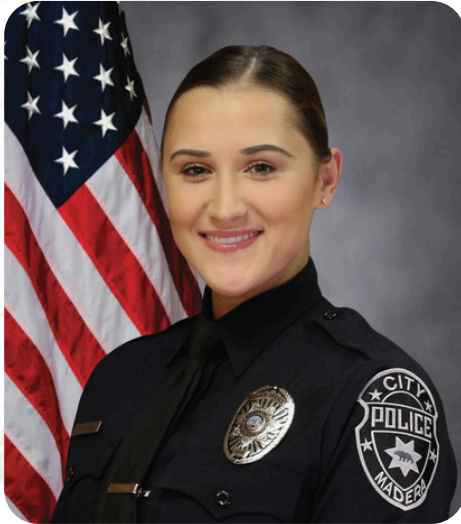


# SERVICE RECOGNITION

In April 2025, Officers Amezola and Okapalaugo responded to an assault with a deadly weapon in progress at Emmie's Sidewalk Café. Upon arrival, they quickly confronted the suspect. Officer Amezola took the individual into custody, while Officer Okapalaugo immediately provided first aid to the victim, stabilizing them until medical personnel arrived. Their swift and decisive actions ensured the safety of the victim and the apprehension of the suspect, demonstrating the dedication and professionalism of our personnel in protecting the community.



# 2025 EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR



**Supervisor of the Year**  
**Corporal Kayla Bianchi**



**Officer of the Year**  
**Officer Brandon Bianchi**



**Dispatcher of the Year**  
**Dispatcher Travis Varney**



**Professional Staff of the Year**  
**Erika Contreras**

# 2025 AWARD RECIPIENTS



Meritorious Service Award



Meritorious Service Award



Chief's Award



Top Shot



MADFIT Award



Citizens of the Year Award

# SERGEANTS & CORPORALS



**Shawn Bushey**  
Sergeant, Administrative  
25 years of service



**Matthew McCombs**  
Sergeant  
19 years of service



**Nick Webster**  
Sergeant, Administrative  
23 years of service



**Brent Cederquist**  
Sergeant, Traffic  
CNT  
20 years of service



**John Rosel**  
Sergeant, Patrol  
15 years of service



**Chris Anaya**  
Sergeant, Patrol  
SWAT, Range Master  
20 years of service



**Ryan Vasquez**  
Sergeant, SIU  
Range Master  
11 years of service



**Blake Short**  
Sergeant, Patrol  
Range Master  
8 years of service



**Steven Boehm**  
Sergeant, Administrative  
19 years of service



**Richard Gonzales**  
Sergeant, Patrol  
10 years of service



**Jeremy Smith**  
Corporal, Patrol  
K9, FTO, Range Master  
8 years of service



**Kayla Bianchi**  
Corporal, Patrol  
FTO, Explorer Advisor  
8 years of service



**Kenneth Hall**  
Corporal, Patrol  
FTO  
11 years of service



**Jaron McAlister**  
Corporal, Patrol  
FTO  
10 years of service

# OFFICERS



**Juan Villegas**  
Officer, Patrol  
30 years of service



**Marisela Noriega**  
Officer, Patrol  
29 years of service



**Wayson Juarez**  
Officer, Patrol  
25 years of service



**Juan Gaona**  
Officer, Housing Authority  
CNT, Drone Pilot  
21 years of service



**Brandon Bianchi**  
Officer, CRT  
FTO, Explorer Advisor,  
Range Master  
10 years of service



**Jacob Dunn**  
Officer, Patrol, FTO  
9 years of service



**Jesse Quintana**  
Officer, Patrol, FTO  
8 years of service



**Joshua Gibbs**  
Officer, Patrol, FTO,  
SWAT, Range Master  
8 years of service



**Jared Maciel**  
Detective, SIU  
SWAT  
7 years of service



**Priscilla Ramirez**  
Detective, Investigations  
CNT  
6 years of service



**Dina Santos**  
Detective, Investigations  
6 years of service



**Nathan Munoz**  
Detective, Investigations  
SWAT, Explorer Advisor  
5 years of service



**Ruben Hernandez**  
Officer, SRO  
Explorer Advisor  
3 years of service



**Jeremy Trinh**  
Officer, Patrol  
K9, Range Master,  
Explorer Advisor  
3 years of service



**Brian Rosas**  
Detective, Investigations,  
SWAT, Explorer Advisor  
3 years of service



**Marco Martinez**  
Detective, Investigations  
3 years of service



**Alvaro Sanchez**  
Officer, Traffic  
3 years of service



**Sandra Higareda**  
Officer, SRO  
Explorer Advisor  
3 years of service



**Gabriel Johnson**  
Officer, SRO  
3 years of service



**Cody Luginbill**  
Detective, Investigations  
SWAT, Range Master  
3 years of service



**Tristan Okpalaugo**  
Officer, Patrol  
3 years of service



**Phillip Thomas**  
Officer, Patrol  
3 years of service



**Jose Barajas**  
Officer, Patrol  
3 years of service



**Fidel Amezola**  
Officer, Patrol, FTO,  
SWAT  
2 years of service



**Jeremy McCool**  
Officer, Patrol  
2 years of service



**Cipriano Pineda**  
Officer, Patrol  
2 years of service



**Ryan Harland**  
Officer, Patrol, SWAT  
2 years of service



**Reuben Rodriguez**  
Officer, Patrol  
1 year of service



**Trent Herzog**  
Officer, Patrol  
1 year of service



**Gabriel Mayorga**  
Officer, Patrol  
1 year of service



**Sergio Hernandez**  
Officer, Patrol  
1 year of service



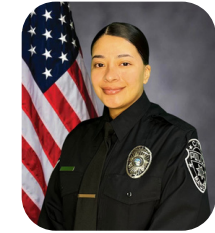
**Jose DeLaO**  
Officer, Patrol  
1 year of service



**Tyler Aldecoa**  
Officer, Patrol  
1 year of service



**Aaron Mao**  
Officer, Patrol  
1 year of service



**Dayana Elms**  
Officer, Patrol  
1 year of service



**Matthew Dias**  
Officer, Patrol  
1 year of service



**Daniel Ruby**  
Officer, Patrol  
7 months of service



**Salvador Rangel**  
Officer, Patrol  
6 months of service



**Izac Maravilla**  
Officer, Patrol  
6 months of service



**Reese Rolfo**  
Officer, Patrol  
6 months of service



**Marcus Chum**  
Officer, Patrol  
1 month of service



**Tyler Collins**  
Officer, Patrol  
1 month of service



**Gaige Bonderer**  
Officer, Patrol  
1 month of service



**Steven Cuevas**  
Officer Trainee  
1 month of service



**Shant Shekhanian**  
Reserve Officer  
Range Master  
20 years of service



# PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS



**Victoria Garcia**  
Police Office Supervisor  
13 years of service



**Joseph Lopez**  
Dispatcher  
29 years of service



**Jolene Wyatt**  
Dispatcher  
15 years of service



**Travis Varney**  
Dispatcher  
10 years of service



**Brianna Corona**  
Dispatcher  
7 years of service



**Isabel Perez**  
Dispatcher  
2 years of service



**Kimberly Cristobal**  
Dispatcher  
2 years of service



**Matthew Solorio**  
Dispatcher  
1 year of service



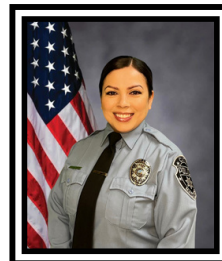
**Marianne Croxen**  
Part-time Dispatcher  
22 years of service



**Beatriz Solano**  
Part-time Dispatcher  
8 years of service



**Griselda Martinez**  
Part-time Dispatcher,  
19 years of service



**Yalixia Moreno**  
Part-time Dispatcher  
4 years of service

# RECORDS & PROPERTY & EVIDENCE



**Celia Garnica**  
Auxiliary Services  
Supervisor  
3 years of service



**Melissa Martinez**  
Records Clerk  
3 years of service



**Jannalyn Barrera**  
Records Clerk  
2 years of service



**Erika Contreras**  
Records Clerk  
2 years of service



**Brissia Galindo Garcia**  
Records Clerk  
1 year of service



**Karyn Burns**  
Property & Evidence  
Officer  
17 years of service



**Mayra Suarez-Jimenez**  
Property & Evidence  
Officer  
1 year of service

# PROFESSIONAL STAFF



**Lacy Burleson**  
Crime Analysis  
Technician  
15 years of service



**Christina Herrera**  
Neighborhood Outreach  
Specialist  
10 years of service



**Ari Adams**  
Network  
Administrator  
5 years of service

# CODE ENFORCEMENT



**Maribel Hernandez**  
Code Enforcement  
Officer  
18 years of service



**Claudia Mendoza**  
Code Enforcement  
Officer  
12 years of service



**Fabela Rodriguez**  
Code Enforcement  
Officer  
10 years of service



**Luis Lopez**  
Code Enforcement  
Officer  
1 year of service



**Brian Gomez**  
Part-time  
Parking Enforcement Officer  
6 months of service

# ANIMAL CONTROL



**Jordan Delarosa**  
Animal Control  
Officer  
2 years of service



**Brett Letourneau**  
Animal Control  
Officer  
2 years of service



**Gabriel Hernandez**  
Part-time Animal Control  
Officer  
6 months of service

# 2025 RETIREMENTS



**Lori Alva**  
Officer  
21 years of service

# MADERA POLICE DEPARTMENT

## MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Madera Police Department to be devoted to family and community through superior service and partnerships. We will reduce crime while treating people with dignity and respect.



**SERVE WITH PURPOSE.  
PROTECT WITH PRIDE.  
JOIN MADERA PD.**

