

LAS CRUCES POLICE

ALPR Overview & Success Stories

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ALPRs in Las Cruces

- LCPD Contracted with Flock Safety in 2021
 - 23 LPRs originally
 - 20 additional LPRs installed/being installed
 - Retention of data for 30 days
 - We require the incident number for any historical search
 - Audits conducted by the investigation's lieutenant



ALPRs in Las Cruces

- 2024 ALPR Alerts in Las Cruces
 - 749 Stolen Vehicle Hits
 - 720 Stolen Plate Hits
 - 187 Sex Offender Hits
 - 86 Missing Person Hits
 - 10 Extreme Risk Protection Orders
 - 4 Suspected Terrorist Watch List Hits



Juvenile Shot During Carjacking

2022

- A teenage boy drove himself to the hospital after being shot in the back.
- He was shot after he drove away from an attempted carjacking.
- The only description he could give was a black Dodge Charger.
- Using LPRs, detectives located the only black charger that was in the area at the time of the shooting.
- The vehicle was later reported stolen.
- The vehicle was located, and the suspect and rifle used were still in the vehicle.



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Cyclist Shot During Road Rage

2022

- During a road rage incident, a cyclist was shot.
- A vehicle and suspect description were all the victim could provide.
- Using the LPRs, officers were able to provide detectives with a vehicle that matched the description that was in the area during the incident.
- Detectives interviewed the owner of the vehicle, and he confessed to shooting the cyclist.



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Dispensary Murder

2023

- A man was shot and killed while sitting in his vehicle in a dispensary parking lot.
- The suspect vehicle was partially visible on surveillance video.
- The suspect vehicle passed through a nearby LPR, and a positive identification was made based on the plate and a rear window decal.
- The suspect was arrested and charged.



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El Paso Bank Robbery

2023

- EPPD sent out a BOLO for a white Kia Soul that was involved in a bank robbery.
- The vehicle was identified on their ALPR system; however, their system only showed a picture of the plate.
- Using our LPR system, we obtained an image of the vehicle and identified that the vehicle had a stolen plate from the same model car, but a different year.
- Detectives investigated the vehicle, found the correct plate, and provided suspect information to EPPD, who made the arrests.



Homicide at Scorpion Park

2024

- A deceased male was left at a park off Valley View in Las Cruces.
- Detectives processed the scene and established that the victim's vehicle was likely used in the incident.
- Using LPRs, detectives established the timeline for when the victim entered the neighborhood where the vehicle was ultimately found.
- During a neighborhood canvas, a third-party video was found that showed the suspect dumping the vehicle after the homicide.



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Attempted Abduction in El Paso

2024

- A man tried to abduct a woman at a strip mall in El Paso.
- EPPD was only able to provide surveillance of the vehicle with an illegible NM plate.
- Using our LPR system, detectives searched by make and model to find the vehicle, identify the registered owner, and provide the information to detectives in El Paso.



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Serial Commercial Burglar

2025

- Detectives were investigating a series of commercial burglaries.
- Using the suspect's license plate, detectives created a hotlist and established his pattern of criminal activity.
- The suspect was caught in the act and arrested.
- This was a multi-jurisdictional case with Texas.



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