



# NUECES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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*NUECES COUNTY, WHERE THE TEXAS TROPICAL TRAIL  
MEETS THE WILD HORSE DESERT*







## OUR MISSION

*Protect and serve Nueces County citizens with integrity and dedication, to preserve life, protect property, enforce the law and work in partnership with the community to enhance the quality of place that is Nueces County.*

## OUR VISION

*To strive for excellence through education and training, and empower our employees to provide the highest level of professional services to the citizens of Nueces County.*

## OUR CORE VALUES

*Honesty – Integrity – Excellence – Trust  
Respect – Courage – Commitment – Compassion*

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## LETTER FROM THE SHERIFF

It is an honor and privilege to present to you the 2025 Nueces County Sheriff's Office Annual Report. It's been a little more than seven years since I was appointed Sheriff by the Commissioners Court. I am grateful to the voters of Nueces County for electing me to the office in 2020 and then re-electing me in 2024. I am humbled and grateful to be the 36th Sheriff of this amazing county where the "Texas Tropical Trail meets the Wildhorse Desert".

The citizens of Nueces County are very supportive and giving, not just to this agency, but to all law enforcement agencies in this region. We have a great relationship with our citizens and this relationship is something that we will never take for granted. We will continue to work hard every day in every citizen contact to maintain and improve upon our relationship with the citizens that we serve. This relationship requires honesty and transparency with the citizens and our annual report is just one tool that we use to promote that transparency.

This Annual Report celebrates some of our accomplishments and achievements in 2025. There is a significant amount of data and numbers in this report, but I will never forget that it is the employees of this agency that created events and produced the work that is reflected in the data. Our employees in all divisions have bought in to our philosophy of servanthood. We will continue to serve, protect and defend the citizens of Nueces County at an even higher level in 2026.

Law enforcement can be unpredictable but our relationship with the citizens that we serve should be very predictable. It should always be a relationship of steady loyalty, transparency, and accountability. We are blessed that we are allowed to serve. Not everybody can do this job and not everybody has the opportunity to serve others every single day, for this we say thank you. Thank you for letting us serve.

I'm truly humbled and grateful to be able to lead the Nueces County Sheriff's Office for the next four years. The legacy of those who served in this agency before our generation and the professionalism and dedication of the outstanding deputies, corrections officers and civilian staff serving today are what makes this such a successful and respected organization. You will clearly see that as you turn the pages of this 2025 annual report.

Your Sheriff,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. C. Aragon".

# COMMAND STAFF



**DAVID COOK**  
Chief Deputy of Operations



**DANIEL PEREZ**  
Chief Deputy of Administration



**MILTON RIVERA**  
Assistant Chief/ Jail Administrator



**JUAN ARANDA**  
Intake Captain



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Jail Division Captain



**LAURA GARCIA**  
Court Process Captain



**CORANDO GARZA**  
Criminal Investigations Captain



**ROLAND MARTINEZ, JR.**  
Patrol Captain



**MARTIN MURILLO**  
Jail Admin Captain



**MONICA RIOS**  
Captain/Executive Officer



**WILLIAM WILLOUGHBY**  
Annex Jail Captain



**LANCE COOPER**  
ID Lieutenant



**JOSE GONZALEZ**  
Professional Standards Lieutenant

# JURISDICTION

The Nueces County Sheriff's Office is responsible for the administration and operation of a full-service law enforcement agency, including court security and service, management of the county jail, and delivery of law enforcement services to the unincorporated areas of Nueces County. The Office operates with an annual budget of approximately \$31 million and is supported by 365 authorized positions, including 51 sworn deputies.

Nueces County encompasses 1,166 square miles and serves a population exceeding 353,000 residents. Sheriff's Office personnel patrol 838 square miles of land and 328 square miles of waterways, covering more than 1,500 lane miles throughout the county. In addition, deputies provide patrol services to numerous parks and residential subdivisions, ensuring public safety across diverse geographic and community environments.

Corpus Christi, the county seat and largest city in Nueces County, has a population of 316,105 residents. Approximately 11 percent of the county's population resides outside the city limits of Corpus Christi, representing an estimated 40,000 residents who rely on the Nueces County Sheriff's Office for law enforcement services and protection of life and property.

The Nueces County Jail maintains an average daily population exceeding 1,100 inmates, comprised of approximately 85 percent male and 15 percent female detainees. In addition, the Sheriff's Office provides security services for 17 judges and safeguards more than 78,000 visitors who pass through county courthouse facilities each year.

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# DIVISION REPORTS



*Nueces County Sheriff's Office is organized by the following:*

- **JAIL OPERATIONS**
  - **PATROL DIVISION**
  - **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS**
  - **PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS**
  - **COURT PROCESS**
  - **CRIME DATA**
  - **ADMINISTRATION**
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# JAIL OPERATIONS

*THE NUECES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE OPERATES THE JAIL AND CAN HOUSE UP TO 1,164 INMATES AT ITS MAIN JAIL AND THE MCKINZIE ANNEX.*



The Nueces County Jail operates on a 24-hour basis and houses both male and female inmates across a range of custody and security classifications. The Classification Section is responsible for assigning inmates to appropriate housing based on current charges, criminal history, and disciplinary status, while also accounting for medical and mental health considerations.

Jail Support Services plays a vital role in ensuring the efficient and orderly operation of the facility. Inmates have access to religious services, library resources, and electronic tablets, all of which are provided at no cost to taxpayers. Jail Support Services also oversees the provision of clothing, bedding, hygiene kits, educational materials, laundry services, recreation, and commissary operations. Commissary purchases are funded through inmate accounts. The Nueces County Jail remains committed to maintaining full compliance with the standards set forth by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards (TCJS) and adheres to all requirements of the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA).

The Nueces County Sheriff's Office conducts multiple Jail Schools each year to prepare Correctional Officer Cadets for the state certification examination. These programs emphasize comprehensive training designed to promote facility safety, security, and professionalism.

The Jail School is also open to correctional agencies across the State of Texas that do not operate in-house training programs. Nueces County Jail personnel are highly trained and dedicated professionals whose commitment and expertise contribute directly to the safe, secure, and effective operation of the facility. Through their efforts, the jail continues to provide a secure environment that supports both inmate management and rehabilitation.

# 2025 JAIL ACADEMY GRADUATES

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*Class 2501*



*Class 2502*



*Class 2503*



*Class 2504*



*Class 2505*

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*The Nueces County Jail Academy held 5 jail classes and graduated 93 licensed correctional officers in 2025. All Nueces County correctional officers must complete their jail certification within the first year of their career. These courses cover everything from jail standards, inmate health, proper defensive tactics, report writing, taser and firearm training, and mental health.*

# TECHNOLOGY IN THE JAIL



To support the continued advancement of the Nueces County Jail as a leader in correctional operations, the Sheriff's Office has implemented several technological enhancements designed to strengthen safety and security for inmates, correctional officers, and staff. These enhancements include the deployment of X-ray body scanners, mail scanning technology, and inmate electronic tablet systems.

Mail scanning technology has proven effective in preventing the introduction of drug-contaminated materials into the facility, while X-ray body scanners are utilized to detect concealed contraband and weapons. To date, 51,652 body scans have been conducted with 21,929 of those scans conducted in 2025.

Inmate electronic tablets have had a positive impact on inmate engagement and facility operations. Through the tablet program, inmates have access to educational, self-improvement, and religious content, as well as video visitation services that allow them to maintain connections with family and loved ones. The platform offers approximately 600 courses, including topics such as anger management, CPR, and cognitive awareness. To date, inmates have completed 76,892 educational courses.

The introduction of electronic tablets has contributed to a calmer and more structured inmate environment, benefiting both inmates and correctional staff and enhancing overall facility management.



# JAIL INDUSTRIES

*JAIL INDUSTRIES HAS ACCRUED A TOTAL OF 22,120 HOURS IN SERVICES, TOTALING \$284,618 DIRECTLY BENEFITTING NUECES COUNTY AND ITS RESIDENTS.*

The Jail Industries Program integrates the work of Nueces County inmates and alternative incarceration participants to provide meaningful skill development while delivering valuable services to the community. Program participants assist with the cleaning and maintenance of county-owned properties and support community events through event setup, teardown, and post-event cleanup, including activities such as the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show and Jazz Festival.

In addition, Jail Industries crews periodically provide cleanup and grounds maintenance services to the City of Corpus Christi, including maintenance of Little League playing fields, when assistance is requested.

The Nueces County Sheriff's Office also offers a carpentry skills course designed to provide inmates with practical, job-ready training. These initiatives are intended to equip participants with marketable skills that support post-release employment opportunities and contribute to reduced recidivism.

# INMATE PROGRAMS



*One person believing in you can change everything. If you can, be that person for someone else.*

The Nueces County Sheriff's Office takes pride in the fact that multiple opportunities are offered to inmates in order to set them up for a better future upon their release. The programs offered include a mechanic shop where inmates perform oil changes and car washes on all our NCSO fleet. This saves the county additional resources while also giving our inmates usable skills for better paying jobs once they are released. Additionally, with our Aramark partners, our female inmates are offered culinary courses and given the opportunity to apply for jobs once the course is complete and upon their release.

Sessions are also given in person by community partners on domestic violence, alcoholics anonymous, and financial literacy. Multiple times a year, the jail is visited by various church organizations to perform baptisms and offer prayer on Ash Wednesday.

In addition to these services and courses, the Nueces County Sheriff's Office was the first county jail in the state to have a discharge planner. Through our partnership with Wexford Health, a discharge planner is appointed to help inmates transition back to life after their release. Programs that assist this process include the opportunity to receive an ID card as well as a medical card that will assist them with care once they leave our facility. The discharge planner also supplies them with a list of helpful community resources that supply food, housing, job opportunities, and more.



# INMATE WOODSHOP ETSY STORE

*"IT IS IN YOUR HANDS TO CREATE A BETTER  
WORLD FOR ALL WHO LIVE IN IT"*

*-Nelson Mandela*



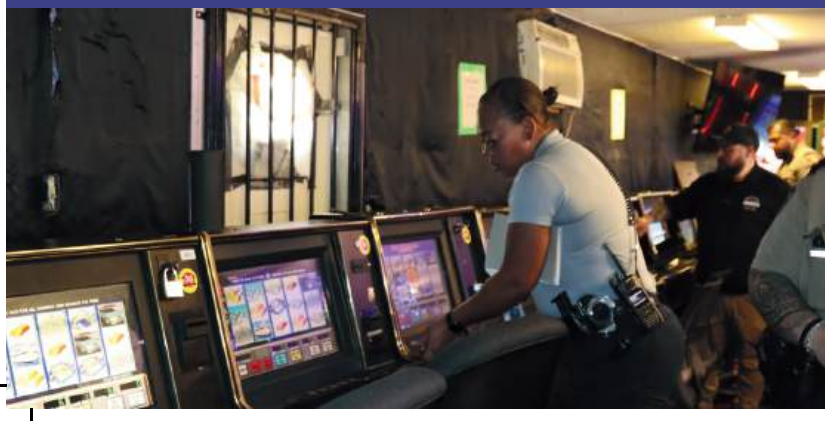
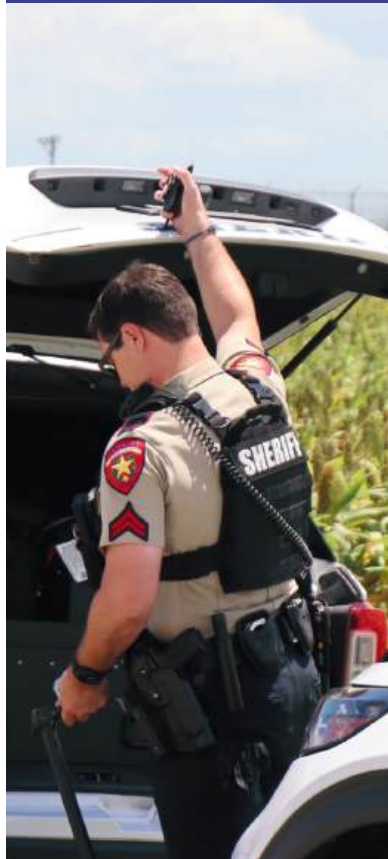
The Nueces County Sheriff's Office Inmate Woodshop Program provides incarcerated individuals with hands-on training in basic carpentry skills. Participants learn to build practical items such as shelving, planter boxes, household décor, and furniture.

The program is designed to help inmates develop job-ready skills that can be used for employment or self-support after release, supporting successful reentry and reducing the likelihood of recidivism.

In an effort to continue the program and maintain the necessary equipment, Sheriff JC Hooper created an online ETSY store where local community members can purchase items built by the inmates. Not only does this create a sense of pride for those building the items, but it ensures future inmates will have the opportunity to learn these skills as well.

If you are interested in browsing some of the items for sale, you can find our ETSY store by scanning the QR code below.







# PATROL DIVISION

*A COMMUNITY THRIVES WHEN ITS  
PROTECTORS ARE DEVOTED TO THEIR MISSION*

We currently are staffed at 26 patrol deputies, and we are hiring. The captain and lieutenant oversee administrative duties and also assist with calls and operations. There are five sergeants who are first line supervisors with one designated as the administrative K9 sergeant. There are four corporals who are field training officers and also respond to calls. Two Patrol K9 deputies manage dual-purpose dogs, one trained in narcotics and apprehension and the other in explosive detection and apprehension. We have fifteen patrol deputy positions whose main duties are responding to calls for service. The Patrol Division covers 838 square miles of land and 328 square miles of water.

## *PATROL MAIN FUNCTIONS*

- Answering calls for service
- Traffic and criminal enforcement
- Patrolling neighborhoods and businesses
- Booking/processing arrests, court, warrants and writing reports

## *PATROL SPECIAL DUTIES*

- Patrolling the Nueces River in two Zodiac boats and the Intracoastal Waterway and Padre Island canals in a larger Seahunt center console outboard
- Honor Guard Team that pays tribute at funerals, special events and Peace Officer Memorials
- Community events like Barefoot Mardi Gras parade, Spring Break, safety briefs, reading to elementary students, career talks at high schools and colleges, Shop-With-A-Cop, lockdown school exercises, and Red Ribbon Week
- Responsible for maintaining and issuance of firearms and ammunition to all Sheriff's Office personnel, and conducting training and firearm qualifications
- Overseeing Unpaid Reserve Deputies who assist with special events and routine calls

# PATROL STATS

*Calls for Service*

9,089

*Traffic Stops*

5,395

*Calls for service this year included:*

Accident Assists	932	Livestock	327
Assaults	256	Livestock Impounded	16
Burglaries	151	Mental Health Calls	288
Child Injury/Assault	12	School Checks	384
DOA	19	Sexual Assaults	23
Drug Related	33	Thefts	316
DWI's	72	Warrants	62
Family Violence	97	Arrests	236
Firearms Seized	20	Recovered Vehicles	4



# K9 UNIT



The Nueces County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit provides specialized capabilities including suspect apprehension, tracking, building searches, narcotics detection, and explosives detection. During one notable incident, K9 Hera alerted on a vehicle during a traffic stop. Based on Hera's alert, a probable cause search of the vehicle was conducted which resulted in the seizure of \$18,342 in U.S. currency believed to be connected to criminal activity.

The K9 Unit currently consists of three dual-purpose K9 teams, each assigned to patrol while also trained in specialized odor detection disciplines. These teams serve as a force multiplier for patrol operations and significantly enhance officer safety and enforcement capabilities.

K9 Hera is a dual-purpose patrol and narcotics detection canine assigned to Sgt. Rudy Gonzales. Hera is trained in suspect apprehension, building searches, tracking, handler protection, and narcotics detection.

K9 Grin is a dual-purpose patrol and narcotics detection canine assigned to Deputy Jose Soto. Grin is trained in suspect apprehension, tracking, building searches, and narcotics odor detection.

K9 Grin regularly assists patrol deputies during suspect searches and narcotics investigations and serves as an important resource during traffic interdiction operations.

K9 Hevel is a dual-purpose patrol and explosives detection canine assigned to Deputy Tristan Borden. Hevel is trained in suspect apprehension, building searches, tracking, and explosives odor detection. Additionally, K9 Hevel provides the Sheriff's Office with specialized explosives detection capabilities for large public events. These sweeps help ensure the safety of event participants and the public by detecting potential explosive threats prior to and during major community events.

The Nueces County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit remained a vital component of patrol operations throughout 2025. Through consistent training, successful certifications, and operational deployments, the K9 teams continue to provide an important service to both the Sheriff's Office and the citizens of Nueces County.

The unit remains committed to maintaining high training standards and expanding its operational capabilities to better support law enforcement operations in the future.



# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS



Criminal Investigations Division (CID) employees focus on finding the truth. They are the primary investigation unit for all Nueces County. They review officer reports, interview witnesses and suspects, and prepare case files to submit for prosecution. The detectives testify in court, write reports, and conduct surveillance. They also process crime scenes taking special care to make sure evidence is properly collected and sent to forensic labs for analysis.

Our CID is the only Nueces County law enforcement division that is responsible for tracking and registering sex offenders that reside in the unincorporate areas of the county.

This dedicated team handles hundreds of felony and misdemeanor cases each year to include homicides, violent crimes, family violence, burglaries, narcotics and auto thefts. When evidence is collected at crime scenes, it is inventoried and stored in a secured property room. It is the detailed, accurate and thorough work of criminal investigators that helps prosecutors send criminals to prison.

## DRUGS SEIZED IN 2025

<b>Marijuana</b>	<b>4.64lbs</b>
<b>Cocaine</b>	<b>56.56g</b>
<b>Methamphetamine</b>	<b>179.8lbs</b>
<b>Heroin</b>	<b>37.16g</b>
<b>Pills</b>	<b>211g</b>
<b>Synthetic Marijuana</b>	<b>24.84g</b>
<b>THC Gummies</b>	<b>25g</b>
<b>THC Wax</b>	<b>67g</b>
<b>THC Vape Pens</b>	<b>71 pens</b>

# ADDITIONAL CID STATS



In addition to their above duties, our CID investigates open game rooms and actively works to ensure they are in compliance with local, state, and federal laws and regulations. Those who are out of compliance are ticketed and shut down.

## Additional CID Stats

<b>Total Reports</b>	<b>1,973</b>
<b>Reports Assigned to Investigators</b>	<b>614</b>
<b>Cases Filed with DA/JJC</b>	<b>264</b>
<b>Total Cases Closed</b>	<b>182</b>
<b>Total Cold Cases Closed</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Sex Offenders</b>	<b>116</b>
<b>Game Rooms Closed</b>	<b>15</b>



# OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

120 Total classes held  
5 Jailer academies  
1,635 Students trained  
27,986 Classroom instruction hours  
251 Applications processed  
96 New employees hired

The Professional Standards Division encompasses several key functions within the Nueces County Sheriff's Office, including training, recruiting, internal affairs, grant writing, and policy and procedure development. Each of these areas plays a critical role in ensuring the agency operates efficiently, continues to move forward, and maintains the high standards required for effective public service.

During 2025, the division played a significant role in supporting the growth and operational readiness of the Sheriff's Office. Through ongoing recruitment efforts, the division helped bring 96 new officers into the agency, investing over 3,480 manpower hours in recruitment outreach, applicant assistance, and background investigations. Of the 96 individuals hired, 84 were Corrections Officers assigned to the Nueces County Jail, and 12 were Deputy Sheriffs assigned to Patrol and Warrants. These efforts helped maintain the Sheriff's Office at near-zero vacancies, ensuring adequate staffing levels for both jail operations and law enforcement services.

# PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS 2025 STATS



Among the most significant training initiatives was the delivery of in-service training for all jail shifts, which included instruction in defensive tactics, de-escalation techniques, and proper use-of-force procedures. Additional courses offered to both jail staff and licensed peace officers included:

- Crime Scene Investigation
- Grant Writing and Grant Management
- High-Risk Felony Stops
- Active Shooter Response Training
- Leadership Development
- CPR / First Aid Certification
- Ballistic Shield Operations

Beyond training and recruiting, the Professional Standards Division remained actively engaged in grant development and funding opportunities. In 2025, the division successfully secured two grant awards, helping provide additional resources and support for agency operations.

The division also established an important regional partnership with the Coastal Bend Council of Governments, allowing the Nueces County Sheriff's Office to serve as a regional training provider for an 11-county region encompassing 33 cities. This partnership strengthens collaboration between agencies and helps ensure consistent training standards across the region.

The Sheriff's Office also continued to operate a highly successful County Jail Academy program. In 2025, the agency completed five jail academies, graduating a total of 93 students who obtained their Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) Jailers License. The academy achieved a 100% pass rate, reflecting the quality of instruction and commitment to professional development within the training staff.

# COMMUNITY TRAINING & SKILLBUILDING



In addition to training law enforcement personnel, the division also expanded its outreach to the community. Training staff provided active shooter response and preparedness instruction for teachers and staff at several area schools, equipping educators with practical guidance on how to respond during critical incidents. Similar preparedness training was also delivered to personnel at the RMB Fairgrounds, helping increase emergency readiness at large public venues.

The division also had the privilege of hosting a regional K-9 explosives detection training course, which brought together K-9 teams from across the area. This training enhanced the ability of bomb detection teams to search environments such as schools, baseball fields, transportation buses, and other public venues, strengthening regional public safety capabilities.

Additional community-focused training was provided to local real estate professionals, teaching them how to identify fraudulent or fake identification documents, which can often be associated with fraud and property-related crimes.

The Nueces County Sheriff's Office is also one of the few training providers in South Texas authorized to assist the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) with the training and recertification of School Marshals. Through this program, the Sheriff's Office provides instruction and qualification training for School Marshals representing school districts from across the State of Texas. These courses help ensure that designated school safety personnel meet the strict standards established by TCOLE and are properly trained to respond to critical incidents within school environments.

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# COURT PROCESS

WARRANTS ● CIVIL ● COURTHOUSE SECURITY



## 2025 STATS

Warrants Verified	4,200
Individuals with Warrants	approx. 7,300
Mental Health Warrants	27
Civil Citations Issued & Processed	1,691
Jury Summons Mailed	44,771
Grand Jury Summons Served	708
Inmates Transported	390
Total Transport Man Hours	958.62
Total Miles Travelled	41,757
Total Trips	165

One of the most important functions of the Nueces County Sheriff's Office is maintaining security within the Court Services areas. More than 81,230 people visited the courthouse this past year.

The Court Process Division also consists of Warrant Deputies. The deputies research and investigate the possibility of leads for locations on wanted individuals in Nueces County.

The Court Process Division includes a captain, lieutenant, sergeant, corporal, and nine Sheriff Deputies (with one assigned to the U.S. Marshals and three acting as courthouse deputies), an office supervisor, a civil clerk, and four Central Records clerks.

The deputies work misdemeanor, felony, child support and Emergency Detention (mental health) warrants. The deputies arrest and transport wanted individuals to the Nueces County Jail.

They also assist in other duties such as transportation of inmates to and from other holding facilities, serve subpoenas and protective custody orders, and they assist in the Nueces County Courthouse as bailiffs or are stationed at security checkpoints. This office also handles the tax foreclosure sale process. The Sheriff is obligated to administer the tax foreclosure and sales auctions. We partner with Realauktion.com LLC to provide services for interested bidders. The link can be found via the Sheriff's app or on our website.

# COURTHOUSE SECURITY



Under the direction of Sheriff Hooper and funded by the Nueces County Commissioners Court the NCSO Courthouse Security Office was created in January 2021.

The Sheriff’s Office is charged with Courthouse Security, and this is a priority. Partnered with the Sheriff’s Law Enforcement personnel we are providing a more in-depth comprehensive approach to secure the Courthouse and exterior areas.

Law Enforcement personnel on duty at the Courthouse are supervised by Chief David Cook and Capt. Laura Garcia. All personnel working Courthouse Security have direct contact with each other to ensure coordination and maximum benefit for security. Sheriff’s Administration has access to the security system to monitor activities in the building and direct Law Enforcement to areas of concern.

This office provides -

- ID/Access to approved employees
- ID/Access (limited) to approved contractors
- ID/Access approved outside attorneys and staff
- Video surveillance, access card activity reports
- Provide information to law enforcement with approval from administration
- Special projects approved by administration
- Courthouse Security meetings

Courthouse Projects - Each project requires contractor be approved for access. Varying schedules in projects along with approved access to offices/departments after hours and on weekends.

- 1.Courthouse Roofing Project
- 2.Wastewater Line Replacement Project

Thank you to the Nueces County Commissioners’ Court for funding the security improvements.

## 2025 Courthouse Stats



**Badges Created: 108 Attorneys**  
**58 Contractors**  
**546 Employees**

**Items Rejected at Courthouse Checkpoint 457**

# CRIME DATA

Crime Data is a department of 7 clerks and 1 supervisor. They are responsible for the operation and oversight of the TLETS/NLETS terminals. These terminals function to provide crucial communication between law enforcement agencies, state agencies and the Texas Department of Public Safety Headquarters. Additionally, these terminals allow for the receiving/sending of hit confirmations, teletypes, and All-Points-Bulletins. Furthermore, Crime Data is relied upon for the entry of stolen vehicles, stolen guns, missing persons, wanted subjects, conditions of bond, etc.



Jail Information provides answers and assistance to all incoming callers to the Nueces County Jail. They process all incoming visitors to the jail, such as attorneys, probation/parole officers, clergy, bonding companies, and contractors. This section ensures that all approved visitors are processed for jail visitation on Saturdays and Sundays. Jail Information is also utilized to process bonds that are brought for subjects currently in the jail.



# ADMINISTRATION



The Administrative Division supports the agency's daily operations through budget and finance, contracts and grants, personnel services, pre-employment and direct administrative support to the Sheriff. There are 9 civilian staff including a director of admin services, administrative secretary, personnel clerk, internal auditor, accounts payable clerk, badging coordinator, and a jail diversion administrator.

The office's responsibilities include managing the Nueces County Sheriff's budget and performing all finance functions including procurement, accounts payable, accounts receivables, contracts, grants, and financial reports. They also oversee conference and training arrangements for the agency, in addition to assisting the Sheriff with daily administrative duties such as mail, correspondence, and calendar management.

This division monitors contractual obligations, compiles statistical reports, ensures compliance, and collaborates with personnel in regards to awarded contracts.

## 2025 Administrative Stats



**Law Enforcement Hires**      **96**

**Civilian Hires**      **18**

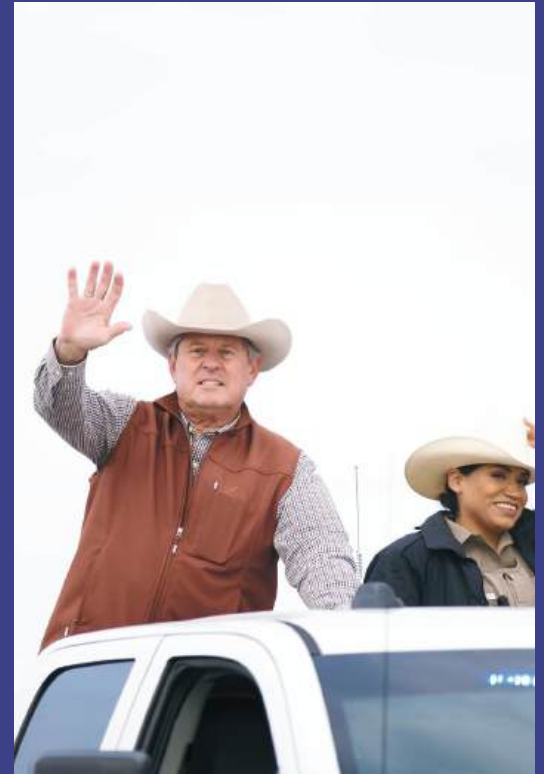
**Law Enforcement Applications**      **395**

**Civilian Application**      **172**

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH

*The most effective weapon against crime is cooperation... The efforts of all law enforcement agencies with the support and understanding of the American people.*

*~ J. Edgar Hoover*



Community engagement is a cornerstone of effective law enforcement and a key priority for the Nueces County Sheriff's Office. Throughout the year we participate with local schools, churches, and non-profits as well hold our own National Night Out and Safe Summer Kickoff events.

Engaging with the public as these events allows deputies to better understand the needs and concerns of the community they serve, leading to more responsive and effective policing. Through programs such as neighborhood meetings, youth outreach, public safety events, and volunteer initiatives, the Sheriff's Office creates opportunities for open communication and collaboration. These events also allow the Sheriff's Office to give the public a glimpse into what our employees do on a day-to-day basis both on the street and in the jail.

Community members play an essential role in helping prevent crime, sharing important information, and supporting public safety efforts. When residents feel heard and involved, they are more likely to work alongside law enforcement to address challenges and improve quality of life. Continued investment in community engagement strengthens public confidence, promotes accountability, and ensures that the Nueces County Sheriff's Office remains a trusted partner dedicated to protecting and serving the entire community.



# COMMUNICATION

The communications office handles media requests for information and requests for interviews with the Sheriff regarding the Nueces County Jail and the Sheriff's Law Enforcement activities. Public Liaison, Natalie Williams works closely with Sheriff Hooper to ensure timely updates of pertinent information, both internally and publicly.

Transparency and staying in direct communication with the community is a top priority for the Nueces County Sheriff's Office. The agency has implemented multiple ways to keep in contact with the public. Through social media, the Sheriff's App, and the local news media, the agency is able to get information to the public quickly as well as request assistance in finding missing persons, stolen property, and more. The Sheriff's App helps family members and attorney's locate current inmates as well as get notified of their release. To date, the Nueces County Sheriff's App has been downloaded over 150,000 times and receives an average of 2 million interactions per week.

Social media has become crucial in law enforcement, enabling rapid communication, crime prevention, and public engagement. Through our Sheriff's App and social media presence we are able to quickly share alerts, ask for information from the public, and offer easy access to our investigators. It also allows our agency to offer more transparency and open communication, allowing our agency to respond efficiently while connecting with citizens in real time. Additionally in 2025, the Clear & Candid podcast was started, showcasing a wide range of employees and their stories. This podcast is live streamed once a month on Facebook and gives the public the opportunity to not only hear more about the people who work at the NCSO, but also gives them the opportunity to communicate with them in real time.

Be sure to follow the Nueces County Sheriff's Office on Facebook and Instagram, plus you can download the Sheriff's App by scanning the QR code below.



# OUR WORKING PARTNERS

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Running a jail is like running a small city, and the Nueces County Jail is no different. There are multiple moving parts, multiple areas of service, and a large amount of teamwork that takes place. We appreciate every company and every employee that makes this teamwork happen. Below are the partnerships within the jail and courthouse that help us stay successful.

Wexford Health - Health & Mental Inmate Care

Aramark - Food and Culinary Program

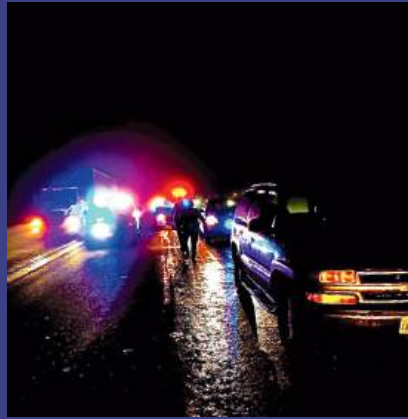
Keefe - Commissary

ICS - Phones

Tech Friends - Tablets

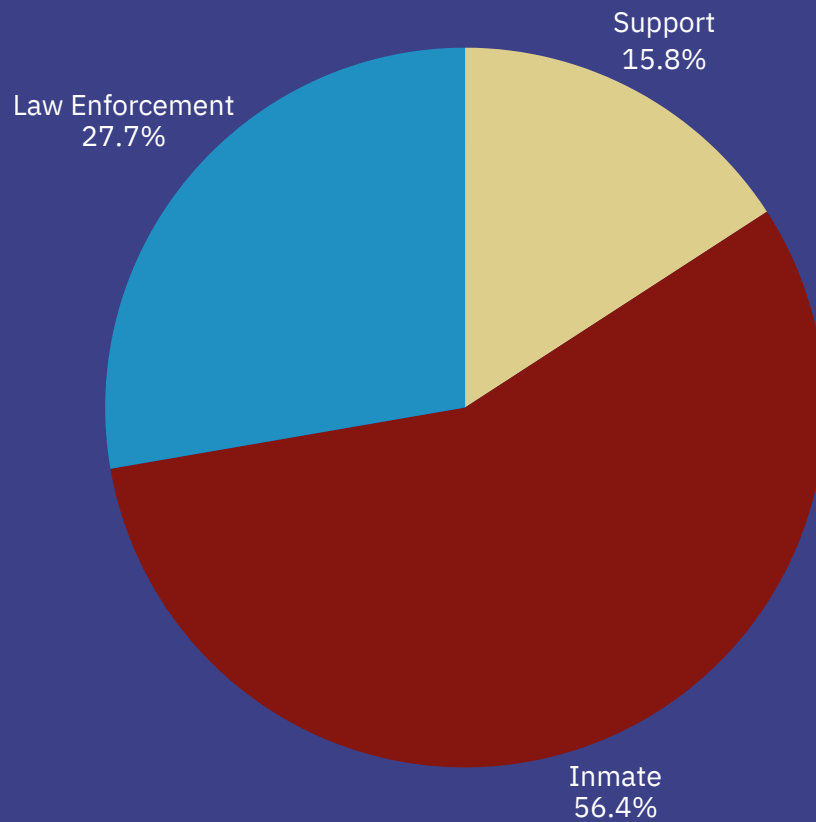
SEC-OPS, Inc. - Courthouse Security





# FINANCIAL REPORT

The General Fund Budget entails the salaries, benefits, operating expenses, and capital purchases for the Nueces County Sheriff’s Office. These funds are divided into three main categories: Inmates, Law Enforcement, and Support Services.



## 2025 General Fund Expenditures \$34,912,436.06

<u>General Fund Budget</u> .....	\$34,399,415.00
● Inmates .....	\$19,581,198.15
● Law Enforcement .....	\$9,776,553.28
● Support Services .....	\$5,554,684.63

# LOOKING FOR A REWARDING CAREER?

## Your path starts here!



The Nueces County Sheriff's Office is a great place to start! Whether your dream is to make a difference working in the jail as a corrections officer or on the street as a patrol deputy, we have a place for you! The NCSO offers many opportunities for advancement, or a great place to gain experience before pursuing your career further.

- Earning Potential of up to \$53,015.64
- On the job training
- Opportunities for advancement



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**S**top - Don't act right away

**C**heck - Verify the caller independently

**A**void - Never share personal or financial information

**M**ove on - Hang up and report



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