



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
CONTACT: Det. Tara Simonson
Public Information Officer
623-930-3276

April 15, 2009

**NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY
TELECOMMUNICATORS' WEEK
APRIL 13-18, 2009**

This year marks the 41st Anniversary of 9-1-1 in the United States. The three digit dialing code 9-1-1 started in 1967 when President Lyndon B. Johnson's Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice issued a report recommending that all police departments have a single number to call for an emergency. The nation's first 9-1-1 call went through on February 16, 1968, in Hayleyville, Alabama.

The City of Glendale Mayor Elaine Scruggs proclaimed the week of April 13 through April 18, 2009, as National Public Safety Telecommunicators' Week.

The Glendale Police Department's Communications' Center is one of the primary answering points for all 9-1-1 police and medical calls. There are a total of 40 Communication Specialists in Glendale who work answering phones 24 hours a day, seven days a week, in order to assist the public.

Currently, the Glendale Police Department is recruiting applications for the position of Communications Specialist. The deadline for applications is Friday April 24, 2009. Please visit the website for further details on this position at www.glendaleaz.com/humanresources.

###

**The Glendale
Police Dept.
is a nationally
accredited
agency**

**Community
and Police –
Working in
Partnership**

**It's our
town, please
Slow Down**

**City of Glendale
Public Safety
6835 N. 57th Dr.
Glendale, AZ 85301
www.glendaleaz.com**