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## **Glendale Police Announced as a Recipient of Grant Funding for Police Officers**

**Glendale, Ariz.** – The Glendale Police Department today was announced as one of 7 recipients in the State of Arizona of a Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) 2013 hiring grant.

The award is a 3-year grant for \$1.2 million dollars to assist the Glendale Police Department in hiring 10 new police officers. The Police Department intends to use these funds to focus on enhancing the safety of our community by increasing patrol and proactive officers in the areas of Glendale with the highest incidence of crime. We also intend to add officers to investigative units to address illegal possession and trafficking of guns.

The COPS Hiring Program offers grants to state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies to hire or rehire community policing officers. The program provides salaries and benefits for officer and deputy hires for three years. Grantees for the 2013 hiring program were selected based on their fiscal needs, local crime rates, and community policing plans.

“We’re excited to be chosen as a recipient for a 2013 COPS Hiring Program Grant. We feel that this reinforces the commitment of the Department of Justice to support the Glendale Police Department in its

on-going community partnerships to combat crime and victimization in Glendale and to shape a safer, stronger community” ~ Glendale Police Chief Debora Black

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*\*Spanish translation available*

*“The Glendale Police Department’s mission  
is to protect the lives and property of the people we serve.”*

*Glendale Police Department  
a proud recipient of CALEA National Accreditation since 2000*