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Public Service Announcement (Non-Emergency Police Services)

The Tohono O`odham Police Department (TOPD) is committed to providing the best public safety, police service to the Nation's members, their guests and visitors during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Tohono O`odham Police Department is following the guidelines set by the Center for Disease Control (CDC), including specific guidance to law enforcement and first responders, in an effort to minimize the spread of the virus and to protect TOPD personnel. In an effort to ensure that TOPD fulfills its core emergency responsibilities, the following new procedures will be in effect for the following non-emergency services.

Records Division: Currently closed to the public

During this time, any requests for Police records can be made to the Records Supervisor and/or Administrative Manager at:

1. (520) 383-3275 ext. 25324
2. (520) 383-3275 ext. 25302
3. (520) 419-2921

Communications Division:

TOPD Communications Division has implemented a phone call screening process to ensure the safety of ALL First Responders (EMS, FIRE and POLICE). This will include additional brief specific questions the Dispatchers will ask the caller/reporting party: FOR EXAMPLE: "Is the person showing any signs of flu?", "Any coughing, fever or shortness of breath?" The caller will also be asked? *If you are requesting to meet with an officer in person and if able, please come out and meet the officer outside of any confined structure.* These measures will help to ensure the safety for all individuals. For any and all emergencies, always call 911.

Property and Evidence:

ALL Property eligible for release from TOPD will be released by appointment only on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 09:00 a.m. to 02:00 p.m. To schedule a time for property pickup please call (520) 383-3275 Ext 25344. If you are not on time for your scheduled time, (within 15 min), you will have to reschedule. No exceptions.

If you or anyone in your house hold has any flu like symptoms, no appointment will be made.

Patrol Division: During this time period, certain calls for service may not warrant or receive an in-person response by TOPD. If the call does not warrant an in-person response, Police personnel may contact the reporting parties and take the report information over the phone.