



# SACRAMENTO POLICE DEPARTMENT

## GENERAL ORDERS



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### CRIME STOPPERS

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#### PURPOSE

The purpose of this order is to establish procedures for the Sacramento Police Department (SPD) for the use of the Sacramento Valley Crime Stoppers (Crime Stoppers) program.

#### POLICY

It shall be the policy of the SPD to allow members of our community an opportunity to assist law enforcement in solving major crimes in a timely manner through constructive leads, while allowing them to remain anonymous.

#### PROCEDURE

##### A. DEFINITION

1. Sacramento Valley Crime Stoppers is a nonprofit organization that encourages members of the community to assist local law enforcement agencies by reporting crimes while remaining anonymous.

##### B. SUBMISSIONS TO CRIME STOPPERS

1. Officers and detectives may submit information regarding wanted persons and requests for additional information on crimes to Crime Stoppers.
2. Submissions may be made in person to the Crime Stoppers law enforcement coordinator, located within the major crimes area of the Investigations Division at the SPD headquarters, and at the Central Investigations Division area at the Sacramento Sheriff's Office or via email: [Sacramentovalleycrimestoppers@pd.cityofsacramento.org](mailto:Sacramentovalleycrimestoppers@pd.cityofsacramento.org).
3. Requests should be made on the Crime Stoppers Wanted Person / Crime Request Form available on the Automated Manual System.

##### C. ASSIGNING AND WORKING OF TIPS

1. When a tip is received, the tip will be assigned by the Crime Stoppers law enforcement coordinator to the sergeant of the appropriate unit.
2. The Crime Stoppers law enforcement coordinator or a Crime Stoppers operator will forward tips requiring immediate dispatch directly to the allied agency or the SPD communications center.
3. Communications personnel shall dispatch the call absent cancelation by the district sergeant or watch commander.
4. If additional information is needed on the tip, the Crime Stoppers law enforcement coordinator may attempt to elicit additional information from the tipster on the agency's behalf.

##### D. CLOSING OUT A TIP

1. The sergeant who was assigned the tip shall close the tip out within 30 days with the appropriate disposition. At the bottom of each tip, there is a hyperlink to the disposition page.

##### E. CITIZEN TIP REFERRAL

1. Members of the public may submit information in the following ways:
  - a. By calling 916-443-HELP or 1-800-AA-CRIME, or "\*\*\*TIPS"
  - b. By website: [www.sacvalleycrimestoppers.com](http://www.sacvalleycrimestoppers.com);
  - c. Through the P3 tips application available at the Apple App Store or Android Google Play.
2. Citizens who provide information to Crime Stoppers may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

##### F. REFERENCING A TIP IN A POLICE REPORT

1. The success of Crime Stoppers relies on the anonymity of the person providing the tip. Officers and detectives should avoid referencing Crime Stopper tips in police reports. If necessary, the officer should reference the tipster as an "Anonymous Informant".

##### G. VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION

1. An officer or detective working a tip shall verify arrest and search status prior to taking any action.