



Lytle Police



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Richey Priest, Chief of Police

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Office Number 830-709-0277

(Our office is not staffed 24 hours a day so please don't call this number if you need an officer)

24 Hour Dispatch

830-769-3434

Use this number to have an officer dispatched or to report a crime. We are dispatched by the Atascosa Co. Sheriff's Office in Jourdanton, TX. They have direct radio contact with on duty officers.

Officers on Duty 24/7

Give Us a Call

That is Why We Are Here

Renovations Complete at John Lott Park

There have been many improvements to the John Lott Municipal Park, a walking trail and new playground equipment have been added just to name a few. **With that we have seen an increase in the number of people using the park. Should you see any suspicious or suspected illegal activity please report it immediately.** Unfortunately there are those who think nothing of damaging or destroying property. It is important that we check out the activity right away so give us a call. **Help us keep it nice!**



Message from Chief Richey Priest

Wow 2016 is here already, it is really hard to believe. I can't believe I have been the Chief of Police for over 16 years, where did all the years go? I get up in the morning and look in the mirror and some old guy is looking back at me! I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year's. Our department continues to move along and make progress in improving our services. We are human and we do struggle at times but I believe I am very blessed with a staff that really cares about the community. At no time in my tenure have we had so many officers that own homes in our city or live in close proximity. Our staff is truly part of our community and perhaps even a neighbor of yours. Our city continues to grow and prosper, with that we face many challenges now that didn't exist when I became chief in 1999. I believe we have adapted well but this is no time to slow down and look back on past accomplishments. We have to keep progressive and aggressive when it comes to serving our community and the many businesses that attract people from all over the place. I invite you to visit our website and review our weekly & monthly reports to see what we have been up to. Feel free to stop by if you have any questions or concerns. I always look forward to talking and eating but not in that order. – Richey

Spotlight on a Partner Agency

Medina County Sheriff's Office

We are very fortunate to have the support of our area law enforcement agencies. One of our long term partners is the Medina Co. Sheriff's Office in Hondo, TX. Led by Sheriff Randy Brown and staffed with a wide array of professional law enforcement officers and civilian staff. The Medina County portion of our city is predominately single family housing and also includes the Lytle High School and Lytle Jr. High School. We cannot begin to count all the times they have assisted our agency. From special events to critical incidents they are one of the first to respond and offer assistance. We also use them as a backup dispatcher and book prisoners arrested in Medina Co. into their Jail. Regardless of what county in Lytle you live in you can know that in an emergency they will respond as needed and work hard to keep our community safe.

Medina County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Randy Brown



Pride in who we are, professional in what we do

Important

If your home or business has an alarm system that is monitored please contact your alarm company and confirm that they have the correct dispatch number

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Staff Training Update

In 2015 sworn officers of the Lytle PD completed a combined total of over **900 hours of training**. That averages out to about 75 hours for each of our 12 officers (8 full-time & 4 Reserve). This training was conducted online, at various seminars and in-house at our police station. We work hard to keep a well-trained staff and make continuing education a priority. It is a solid investment in our people that provides a good return for our citizens.

City Trivia

**Did you know that in Oct. of 2016 the City of Lytle will celebrate 65 years as an incorporated city?
Actual Incorporation Date
October 29, 1951**

Our Upgraded Equipment Has Arrived

We have taken delivery of 7 new TASERs (X2 Models) along with attached HD Cameras. Also budgeted was the addition of 2 new Motorola vehicle mounted radios and 2 WatchGuard HD in-car video systems. Some equipment is already in place and the TASERs will be phased in after the completion of additional training in early January 2016. The funds for these purchases were included in our budget this year. We are fortunate to be able to acquire this equipment, a well-equipped police department is vital to being able to provide the level of service our citizens deserve.