

Apache Junction Police Department

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Apache Junction Police Department Unveils New Patch

(Apache Junction, AZ)-- AJPD is proud to announce the rollout of a new patch officers will now wear on their uniforms.

"I'm excited about this new patch because it shows what Apache Junction is about," said AJPD Chief of Police Michael Pooley. "It has a southwestern feel and features the Superstition Mountains, the iconic backdrop of the city that draws people to Apache Junction."

The majestic Superstition Mountains are the focal point of the patch. Other design elements include the Arizona flag and the iconic saguaro cactus. The word "police" overarches the desert landscape to symbolize our police department's commitment to protecting our beautiful city, the people who call it home, and all who visit.

"We as your police department are here to serve and protect and to oversee the safety of anybody who comes to Apache Junction," Chief Pooley said.

The previous patch was designed in the 1980s and we recognize our city is entering a new era. This patch symbolizes the western spirit Apache Junction will always have while embracing the growth of our city.

"We want to keep that small town feel where people know each other, where people have pride in their community," Chief Pooley said. "We know that the city is attracting younger families and young professionals who want to come here and be part of something special."

The patch is one of many upgrades for the department including new uniforms, a renovated headquarters, new equipment, advanced technology, and the upcoming addition of a K9 unit.

Click [here](#) for photos and videos featuring new AJPD patch.

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