

# LOS LUNAS SCHOOL POLICE

DESI GARCIA, DIRECTOR



**NASRO**

National Association of  
School Resource Officers

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# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER MODEL AGENCY RECIPIENT



## Los Lunas Schools SRO program receives national recognition

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**LOS LUNAS** — The school resource officer program at Los Lunas Schools is making waves nationally after being awarded the 2023 National SRO Model Agency award from the National Association of School Resource Officers.

“It’s a major award. I was pretty excited and proud of the team because we do such an amazing job at our schools,” said Desi Garcia, the director of safety and security for LLS. “To be part of a major organization like NASRO, and to be known by them for what we do, we should all be proud, the entire community and state should be proud.”



Garcia and four fellow SROs accept the model agency award at the 2023 NASRO school safety conference. From left, Alfred Torres, SRO at Ann Parish Elementary; Carl Padilla, SRO at Valencia Middle School; Desi Garcia, LLS director of safety and security; Richard Guzman, SRO at Los Lunas Elementary; and Joe Griego, SRO at Los Lunas Middle School. Submitted photo.

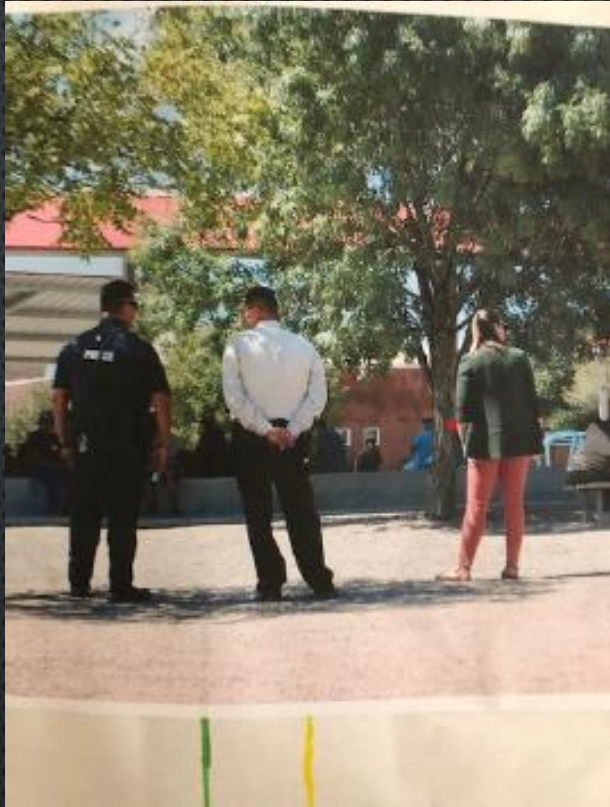
NASRO is a nonprofit organization renowned as a global leader in school-based policing.

According to its website, “The goal of NASRO and SRO programs is to provide safe learning environments, provide valuable resources to school staff members, foster a positive relationship with students and develop strategies to resolve problems that affect our youth with the goal of protecting all children, so they can reach their fullest potential.”

Garcia and four of his team members were presented with the award at the annual NASRO school safety conference held in Indianapolis, Ind., in late June.

“The conference is always a major event for SROs around the country,” said Garcia. “There’s quite a bit of networking, information and equipment sharing and vendor set ups with all the latest

school safety products. It hosts about 1,500 officers from throughout the world.”



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# LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY



# **RESPONDING**

## SCHOOL THREATS/SOCIAL MEDIA THREATS EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

- RESPONSE TIME FOR SCHOOL SITES
- REDUCED
- ALL THREATS INVESTIGATED FOR VALIDITY
- SECURE SITES SHELTER IN PLACE
- LOCKDOWN ONLY WHEN NECESSARY

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