



Blue Envelope Program

Enhancing Communication & Safety

Riverside Police Department



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WHAT IS THE BLUE ENVELOPE PROGRAM?

- Designed for drivers & individuals with developmental disabilities
- Stores important documents
- Helps officers quickly recognize communication needs

Autism Spectrum Disorder

Dementia

Anxiety Disorders

Cerebral Palsy

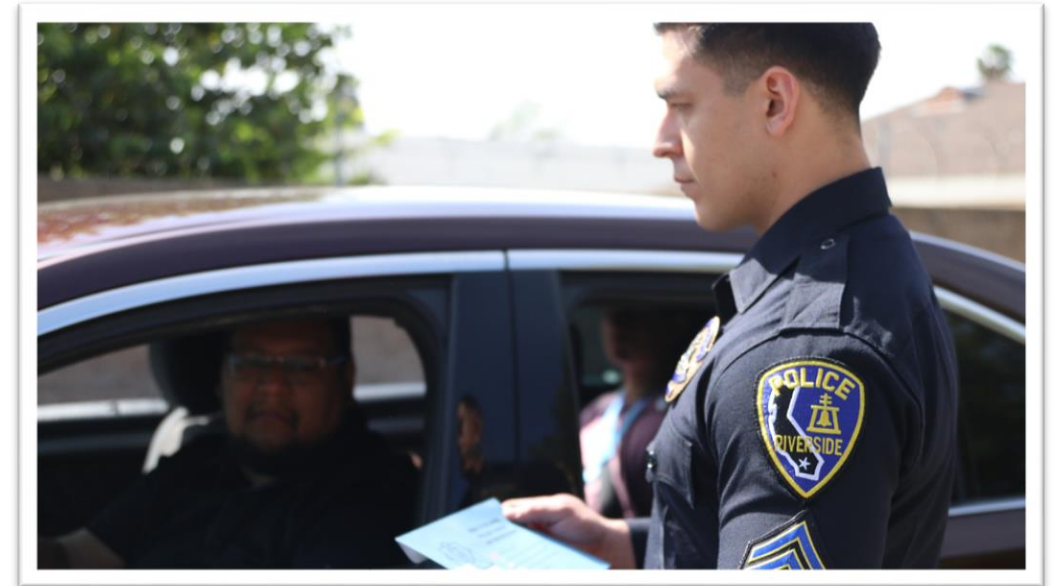
Intellectual Disabilities

Deaf & Hard of Hearing

Other Cognitive/Neurological Disorders

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

- Improve communication during traffic stops & interactions
- Reduce stress and anxiety for drivers/individuals
- Increases awareness for officers
- Promotes safer outcomes for everyone



WHAT'S INSIDE THE ENVELOPE?

- Driver's License
- Vehicle Registration
- Insurance Card
- Emergency Contact Information
- Communication Tips/Medical Information



HOW IT WORKS

- Driver/Individual presents the Blue Envelope when identification is requested by the officer
- Officer recognizes the envelope or program logo materials
- Officer adjusts communication approach as needed



Example Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E-wd50GH3vM>



HOW TO PARTICIPATE?

- Participation is entirely free of charge & voluntary
- Does not require registration or proof of disability
- Envelopes are available at front counters:
 - Orange Station – 4102 Orange St
 - Magnolia Station – 10540 Magnolia Ave
- Other outreach materials available by appointment with program contacts

PROGRAM PROMOTION

- Flyers
- Community Events
- Social Media
- Online
 - <https://riversideca.gov/rpd/about-contact/administration/support-services/community-services-bureau/blue-envelope>



OFFICER TRAINING

- Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST)
 - Regular Basic Course, must complete training on 42 different law enforcement topics, including Learning Domain 37 (LD37).
 - LD37: People with Disabilities – Provides instruction on disability laws, developmental disabilities, physical disabilities, and mental illness.
- Community Behavioral Health Assessment Team (CBAT)
 - 2x Annually, 24 hours
 - As needed for county mandates/form updates
- Integrating Communications, Assessment, and Tactics (ICAT)
 - 3 days + annual refresher
 - Strategic communications, 2 hours



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