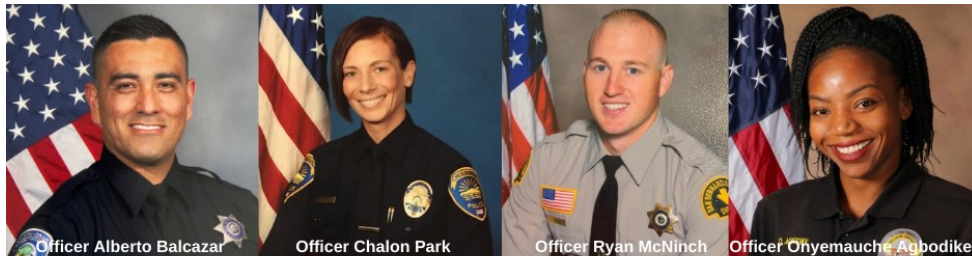


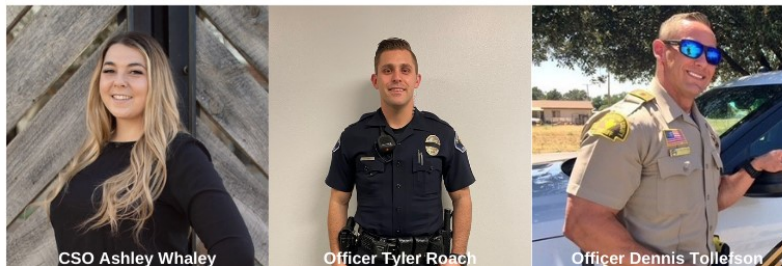
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The Menifee Police Department welcomes new officers and professional staff to our growing department

We have welcomed six officers and a community service officer to our amazing team over the last couple of months.



WELCOME TO MENIFEE PD



Officer Alberto Balcazar attended San Diego State university and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology. He began his law enforcement career six years ago with the Riverside County Sheriff's Department. In 2016, he was hired by the San Bernardino Police Department where he was assigned to gang and narcotics investigations. Officer Balcazar comes to us with experience as a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) and Field Training Officer.

Pat A. Walsh
Chief of Police



Officer Chalon Park began her law enforcement career six years ago with the Chula Vista Police Department where she spent the last two years working in the Street Gang Suppression Unit. Prior to her career in Law Enforcement, Officer Park served in the U.S Army as an Electronics Technician. While serving in the Army, she earned the rank of Sergeant and completed two tours in Iraq.

Officer Ryan McNinch attended the University of La Verne and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Legal Studies. He began his law enforcement career four years ago with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department. Officer McNinch comes to us with experience as a POST Basic Academy Scenario Evaluator.

Officer Onyemauche Agbodike earned a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from Portland State University, and a Master's Degree in Psychology from Pepperdine University. She began her career in law enforcement in 2014 with the Lompoc Police Department. Officer Agbodike comes to us with experience as a Detention Officer, Patrol Officer, School Resource Officer, and as a Juvenile Crimes Detective. In 2019, Officer Agbodike received a Life Saving Award.

Community Services Officer Ashley Whaley attended the College of the Desert where she studied Administration of Justice. She began her career five years ago with the City of Desert Hot Springs. During her career, she has served as both a Community Services Officer and Animal Control Officer.

Officer Tyler Roach began his law enforcement career six years ago with the San Marino Police Department and comes to us with experience as both a Community Services Officer and Patrol Officer.

Officer Dennis Tollefson earned a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice and is completing a Master's Degree in Forensic Psychology from Liberty University. He began his law enforcement career nine years ago with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department where he worked as an investigator and on the Regional Valley Gang Team. Prior to his career as a Police Officer, Officer Tollefson served as a firefighter with the San Bernardino County Fire Department.

To learn more about the Menifee Police Department, please call (951) 723-1500 or visit www.MenifeePolice.org.