

## 0022 - AMBER ALERT PROCEDURES

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

DETECTIVE DIVISION

SPECIAL VICTIMS BUREAU



<b>Bureau Order No:</b>	<b>0022</b>
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Amber Alert Procedures</b>

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**PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this order is to specify and standardize guidelines for Special Victims Bureau (SVB) personnel to assist the Major Crimes Bureau (MCB) in their response to and handling of an Amber Alert.

**POLICY:**

Investigators shall respond to and work at the direction of the MCB Lieutenant in-charge of an Amber Alert response (Refer to FOD 02-13).

**RESPONSE PROCEDURES:**

Whenever the MCB is requested by patrol personnel to respond to and investigate an Amber Alert situation, their lieutenant shall request the assistance of a SVB detective. The MCB Lieutenant will utilize the SVB detective based upon their specific expertise and superior knowledge of child victimization issues. During normal business hours, the request shall be made to the SVB Operations Lieutenant and after hours through the Sheriff's Information Bureau to the SVB on-call supervisor via the on-call evaluator (Refer Bureau Order # 0015).

Depending on the significance and severity of the crime and the magnitude of the investigation, the MCB Lieutenant and the SVB Lieutenant or on-call Supervisor may choose to assign more than one SVB detective or rotate detectives if time warrants it.

Reviewed and approved by:

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Richard Ruiz, Captain

Special Victims Bureau

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