



# OPERATION CADET #1872



KICKSTART YOUR CAREER



COMMUNITY SERVICE



INSIDE LOOK AT SPD



LEARN NEW SKILLS



RIDE-ALONGS

# ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS!



## Qualifications

- Ages 14 - 21
- Background Check
- Attend Majority of Training Events
- Every other Tuesday from 6 - 8:00 p.m.
- Maintain "C" Average if in High School
- May qualify to attend week-long Explorer Academy in San Diego!

## Get in Touch

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*Enrolling in the Explorer Program and working side-by-side with police was a highlight during my high school years! Being in the original Explorer Program solidified by career plans to become a police officer.*

Sergeant  
Gerardo Magana

# OUR HISTORY

The Salinas Police Department's Explorer Program began in the 1960s. Lt. Yoneyama, now retired, was one of the first SPD Explorers, an outgrowth of the Boy Scouts of America and Learning for Life Program. In 2024, Salinas Police Explorer Post 201 transitioned to the Salinas Police Cadet Program Unit 1872. The program is supported by the Salinas Police Department, the Police Activities League, and the Public Safety Cadets.

## EXPLORER ACADEMY

We attend a week-long Explorer Academy each year held in the San Diego area. This is a basic training academy, specifically for Explorers and Cadets. The Academy includes lodging, food, and uniforms. This is an intense training similar to what is attended by actual police recruits.

## Some Events We Participate In...

- California Rodeo (including parades)
- Salinas Airshow
- Marina 5k Road Race
- National Night Out
- Laguna Seca, including the Moto GP and Spirit West Coast
- Annual "Just for Fun" Trip
- Additional Special Events and/or Competitions