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Police Officer Steven Contreras, Police Department

Officer Contreras joined the Mesquite Police Department in 2005 as a Detention Officer. During his tenure, he has served as a Patrol Officer, a School Resource Officer, a LETS Officer and a member of the Honor Guard. In his current position as a Crime Prevention Specialist, he is responsible for assisting Neighborhood Crime Watch groups and educating the public about crime prevention.

He recently proposed a new initiative called 20-4-7, which encourages residents to spend 20 minutes a day outside in their neighborhoods, four out of seven days a week to help deter crime.

He has also taken an active role in the department's Take. Lock. Hide. campaign, speaking to community groups about the importance of taking your car keys, locking your doors and hiding your valuables. As the Police Department's liaison to the Spanish-speaking community, he also recently appeared on the Spanish television network Univision to promote the Take. Lock. Hide. program.