



Ruben Lopez Awarded Legendary Lawman Award

Deputy Ruben Lopez was recently recognized with the Legendary Lawman pin. The Legendary Lawman pin is awarded to deputies who have worked ten accumulated years in uniformed patrol. He joined the Department in March 1983 and graduated on August 12, 1983. After graduating from the academy, he was assigned to IRC where he worked for twenty-two months as a classification deputy. On July 7, 1985, Deputy Lopez arrived at Lomita Station as a patrol trainee. He completed training on April 1st, 1986. He primarily worked PM shift working a one man patrol unit. In May 1989 he was assigned to Lomita Station as a traffic enforcement deputy in the Peninsula Region. Deputy Lopez received many commendations during his years of service. In August 1996, he took on the Explorer program at Lomita Station and has carried the torch as a selective traffic investigator and explorer coordinator for seventeen years. During his commitment to the Explorer program he has lead the organization in competitions throughout the county. He has helped made the program a success leading the scouts to many victories in their competitions. For his efforts, he was recognized by the city of Lomita as "Deputy of the Year" in January 2011.

Deputy Lopez is set retire after 30 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Los Angeles County on March 30, 2013. Deputy Lopez is seen receiving his award from Assistant Sheriff James Hellmold.

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