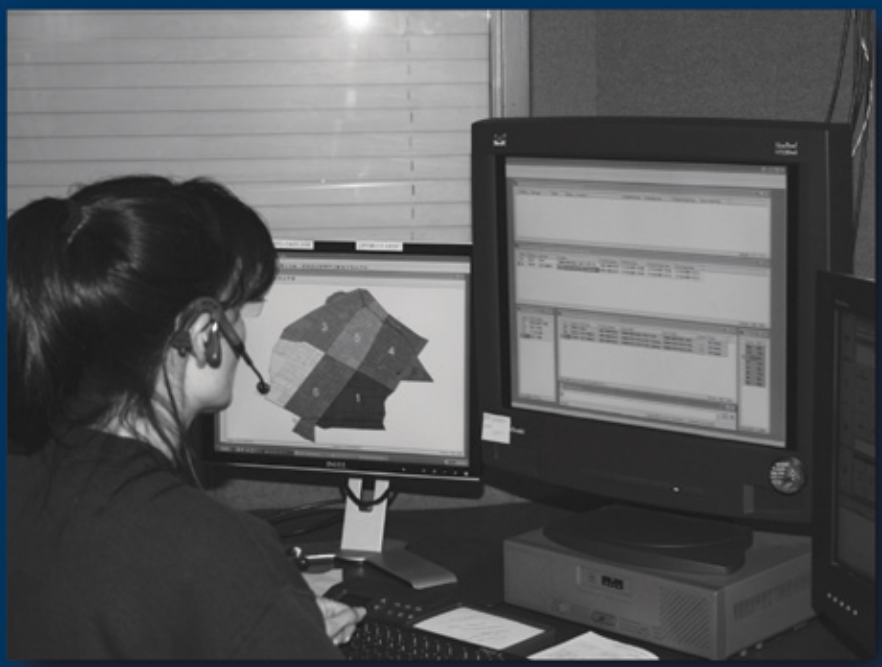
During the 2009 calendar year the Downey Police Department ***Communications Center*** received approximately 139,950 telephone calls. Of those incoming calls, 40,468 were received via the 9-1-1 emergency telephone system. As a result of the telephone calls into the Communications Center, police personnel were subsequently dispatched on 82,654 calls for service. Also during the 2009 calendar year, the Downey Police Department arrested 3,691 adult offenders and 954 juvenile offenders for a total of 4,645.



In 2009, the City of Downey established an ***Administrative Citation Program***. Similar to a parking citation, the purpose of the program is to enforce municipal code compliance without the necessity of judicial intervention. This successful program encourages more timely compliance and reduces public nuisance issues.

On June 6, 2009, ***Marine Lance Corporal Joshua R. Whittle***, a Downey resident, gave his life for his country after he was struck by a land mine in Afghanistan. He was 20 years old.

Downey Police Honor Guard had the distinct privilege to be a part in receiving Joshua home.

Several weeks later, Joshua's mother, Crystal, honored our Department by presenting to us replicas of Joshua's personal identification tags, which we proudly display as a reminder of Joshua's bravery and patriotism.