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## NEWS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: 2026 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Crime Statistics

Today, Chief Sgambellone released crime statistics through the first quarter of 2026 which were compiled by the Records Section of the Los Alamos Police Department.

It's encouraging to see that the downward trend from 2025 is carrying into 2026, with a solid **10% year-over-year decrease** in overall crime. While Crimes Against Persons and Property Crimes are both trending down, the jump in **Crimes Against Society** (from 1 to 5) serves as a reminder to stay vigilant.

Since theft, fraud, and simple assault make up **75% of all reports**, focusing on personal security is the most effective way to keep these numbers falling.

### Key Takeaways for Staying Safe:

- **Fight the Urgency:** Scammers rely on panic and emotional response. If a request for money, gift cards, or crypto feels urgent, **pause**—it's almost certainly a trap.
- **Verify with "Code Words":** With AI voice cloning becoming more common, having a **pre-set family code word** is a smart, simple way to verify a loved one's identity during a suspicious call.
- **Tech Defenses:** Use strong passwords and **Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)**. Most account compromises happen because of reused passwords.
- **Call Back Safely:** Never use the number a solicitor gives you. Hang up and dial the **official number** from a trusted website or the back of your bank card.

**If at any time you are uncertain about a particular phone call or email, you can always call the police department at 505-662-8222.**

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2026  
**LOS ALAMOS POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
 Crime Statistics through the First Quarter by Classification

Group A Offense Report  
 Los Alamos Police Department  
 2026

First Quarter

<b>Offense</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Note</b>
Murder	0	0	*-	No Change
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	-	No Change
Justifiable Homicide	0	0	-	No Change
<b>Non-consensual Sex Offenses:</b>				
Rape	0	0	-	No Change
Sodomy	0	0	-	No Change
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	-	No Change
Fondling	1	0		Increase
Aggravated Assault	2	5	-60.0%	Decrease
Simple Assault	10	11	-9.1%	Decrease
Intimidation	0	1	-100.0%	Decrease
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	-	No Change
<b>Consensual Sex Offenses:</b>				
Incest	0	0	-	No Change
Statutory Rape	0	0	-	No Change
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	-	No Change
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	-	No Change
<b>Crimes Against Persons Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>-23.5%</b>	<b>Decrease</b>
Robbery	0	0	-	No Change
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	1	2	-50.0%	Decrease
Larceny/Theft Offenses	16	14	14.3%	Increase
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	3	-100.0%	Decrease
Arson	0	0	-	No Change
Destruction Of Property	2	1	100.0%	Increase
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	-	No Change
Fraud Offense	8	10	-20.0%	Decrease
Embezzlement	0	2	-100.0%	Decrease
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	-	No Change
Bribery	0	0	-	No Change
Stolen Property Offenses	0	0	-	No Change
<b>Crimes Against Property Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>-15.6%</b>	<b>Decrease</b>
Drug/Narcotic Violations	2	1	100.0%	Increase
Drug Equipment Violations	1	0	-	Increase
Gambling Offenses	0	0	-	No Change
Pornography/Obscene Material	1	0	-	Increase
Prostitution	0	0	-	No Change
Weapons Law Violation	1	0	-	Increase
Animal Cruelty	0	0	-	No Change
<b>Crimes Against Society Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>400.0%</b>	<b>Increase</b>
<b>Total Group "A" Offenses</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>-10.0%</b>	<b>Decrease</b>