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Evidence Technician Unit

The Patrol Division Evidence Technician Program was established to **provide timely evidence collection response** to crime scenes and scenes of a major incident. Due to the crime scene processing needs of the Patrol Division, certain officers are trained as evidence technicians. Evidence technicians are uniform police officers assigned to the Patrol Division, performing evidence technician's functions in addition to regular patrol duties. Evidence technicians **assist the responding officer or investigator** in the identification, collection, preservation and transportation of physical evidence.

Evidence technicians **receive extensive and on-going training** in this specialized field. As scientific advances have made the identification of suspects and evidence more precise and technical the training of police personnel has had to progress commensurate with these newly developed methods.