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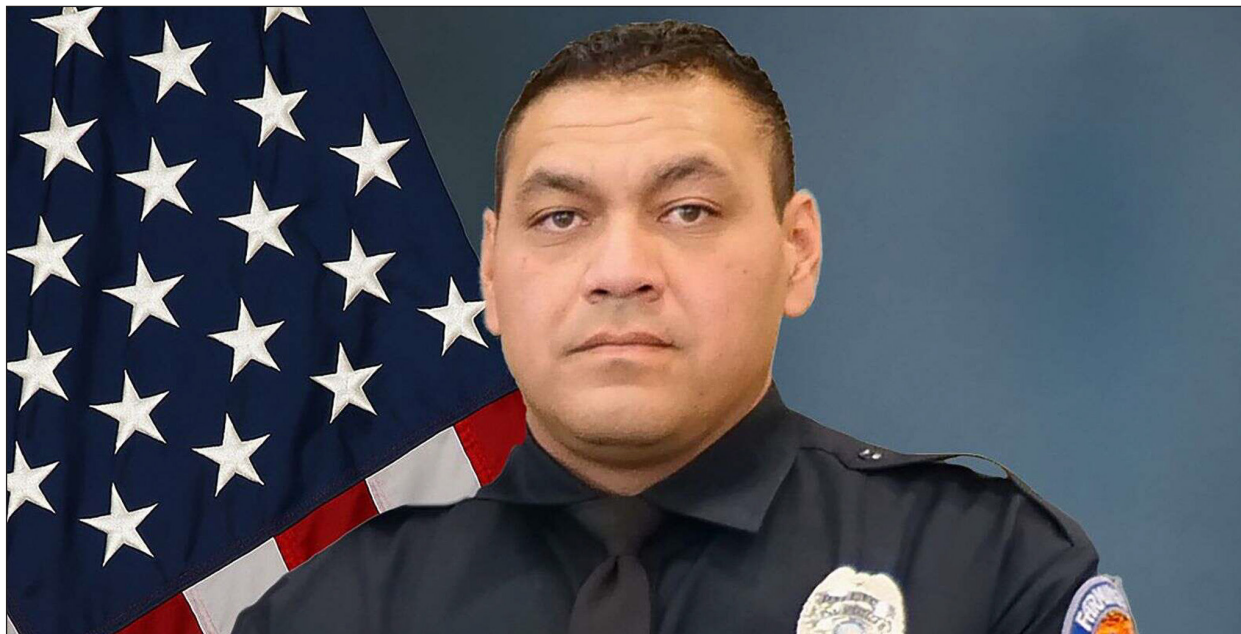
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Navajo Nation mourns the loss of Officer Timothy Ontiveros



Officer Timothy Ontiveros previously served with the Farmington Police Department and volunteered as a firefighter with the Aztec Fire Department, demonstrating a lifelong commitment to public safety.

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. — The Navajo Nation extends its deepest condolences to the family, friends, and colleagues of Bloomfield Police Officer Timothy Ontiveros, who tragically lost his life in the line of duty on June 1, 2025.

Officer Ontiveros sustained critical injuries during a traffic stop on May 26 in Bloomfield, N.M., when a suspect opened fire.

At 33 years old, Officer Ontiveros had served with the Bloomfield Police Department since December 2024. He previously served with the Farmington Police Department and volunteered as a firefighter with the Aztec Fire Department, demonstrating a lifelong commitment to public safety.

Speaker Crystalyne Curley of the Navajo Nation Council added, "The loss of Officer Ontiveros touches the hearts of many people across the Navajo Nation. His ultimate sacrifice serves as a solemn reminder of the risks our law enforcement officers face daily. To his family, his fellow officers, and community, we offer our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time."

The 25th Navajo Nation Council recognizes the vital role of law enforcement in safeguarding our communities. Officer Ontiveros's service reflects the courage and dedication required of those who take on this noble duty.

A procession led by the New Mexico State Police honoring Officer Ontiveros was held Tuesday June 3, 2025, with agencies from across the state participating in tribute.

The 25th Navajo Nation Council honors Officer Ontiveros's legacy and offers heartfelt prayers for his loved ones and fellow officers.

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