CYNTHIA TEJERO, RECORDS COORDINATOR

Cynthia Tejero’s friends and family know her for her love of sewing, gardening, and reading. To her colleagues and long-time work friends, she is known as a veteran of the San José Evergreen Community College District Police Department. Celebrating over 16 years of service with the SJECCD Police Department, Cynthia is currently the Records Coordinator at the main office located on the Evergreen Valley College campus.

When Cynthia reflects on her years of service and what she believes sets this department apart from others, she highlights the real and authentic sense of community, which feels particularly appropriate for a community college police department. Cynthia also notes the strong feelings of camaraderie and family, which she attributes to both the smaller size of the department and the many ways that coworkers tend to look out for one another.

When Cynthia first joined the police department in 2006, she was hired as a part-time police dispatcher. For her, working in law enforcement was a bit of a “family business” as her husband was also in law enforcement and has since retired.

After getting promoted to full time dispatcher, she became a police assistant and later the records coordinator, her current position. While Cynthia has seen many changes and updates at the department over the course of her career, she is particularly proud of the department’s consistent commitment to the community and safety. “What people don’t realize is that we’re here all the time, for whatever they need. People should understand that we’re here to help them.”