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BURBANK & GLENDALE POLICE JOINT AIR SUPPORT UNIT WELCOMES NEW MD 520N HELICOPTER

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Yesterday, the Burbank and Glendale Police Departments Joint Air Support Unit accepted the formal delivery of a new MD 520N helicopter. The MD 520N features the exclusive NOTAR® system for anti-torque and directional control. By replacing conventional tail rotors with the NOTAR system, the margin of safety immediately increases for crew and aircraft, and the noise decreases; making it an exceptional choice for operation in densely populated areas.

Burbank Police Captain Michael Albanese stated, "The acquisition of the new MD 520N equips both the Burbank and Glendale Police Departments with the most contemporary police helicopter that will enhance their effectiveness and efficiency in responding to calls for service. The new MD 520N is truly a state-of-the art aircraft for police service."

The Burbank/Glendale MD 520N is equipped with:

- A 420-shp Rolls-Royce 250-C20R/2 turbine engine.
- Dual side mounts.
- A 2,000 lb. cargo hook.
- A cockpit configuration that features a Garmin G500H EFIS all-glass avionics flight display, Garmin Aera 796 portable GPS, an AeroComputers moving map system, and a Technisonic tactical radio.
- An SX-16 Nightsun®.
- A FLIR® ULTRA8500 imaging system which provides greater range and visibility to optimize the helicopter's support of all tactical ground operations.



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