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General Information**Challenge Coin**

Centered on the front of the coin is the U.S. Border Patrol badge. It is encircled by concertina wire, symbolizing the importance of a new way of thinking about border security in San Diego. The eight stars on the concertina wire represent each Border Patrol station in the San Diego Sector. At the top of the coin is the U.S. Border Patrol motto - "Honor First."

In the center of the back of the coin is an image with several components. The Border Patrol seal worn by all uniformed agents is at the lower left. The horse-mounted Border Patrol Agent depicts fallen Supervisory Border Patrol Agent who tragically lost his life on September 7, 2001. The agent symbolizes every agent who has stood watch on "The Line," while honoring the fallen agents who have made the ultimate sacrifice. A section of border fence along the Imperial Beach coastline, the western-most point of the Southwest Border, and the San Diego, California skyline are also represented. Encircling the center are two phrases, "Preserving the Past - Embracing the Future," to recognize the legacy of the U.S. Border Patrol as the agency moves forward and builds upon its past success; and "Vigilance, Integrity, Service to Country," the core values of the U.S. Border Patrol.

Along the edge of the coin are the three-letter abbreviations for each of the eight U.S. Border Patrol stations in the San Diego Sector.



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