Ann Young is in her 35th year of service with the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). In April 2000, Young was the first female African-American promoted to the rank of Captain within the LAPD.

Captain Young was the president of the formerly named Los Angeles Women Police Officers Association (LAWPOA) from 1997 to 2002. As the commanding officer of Central Traffic Division, she created a training documentary by utilizing the 25th year anniversary of the tragic 5th Street and Wall Street traffic accident in which three LAPD officers were killed. This accident demonstrated the need for all officers to wear their safety belts.

For the sake of community awareness and to save lives, Captain Young created three versions of Public Service Announcements (PSA) that were to be aired on television. They addressed distracted driver, hit and run, bicycle and pedestrian safety. LAWPOA is proud to have participated as the sponsor for the hit and run PSA. All three PSAs were also captured as headings on billboards that were placed throughout the City of Los Angeles. She is currently promoting the use of a billboard to obtain assistance from the public to identify and locate suspects involved in hit and run felony traffic accidents.

As Captain Young is nearing her retirement, LAWPOA would like to extend their congratulations and heartfelt thanks for her many years of dedicated service to the Department and the community she has faithfully served.