



**Horizon City Police Department
Monthly Activity Report
Chief of Police, Michael G. McConnell, Ph.D.**



January, 2019

Description	Number	
	This Month	Last Month
Traffic Citations	355	296
Traffic Warnings	109	44
Parking Tickets	7	6
Investigations – Cases assigned	11	12
Investigations – Cases cleared	8	9
Investigations – Cases remaining open	8	9
Criminal & Non-Criminal Arrests	22	22
Traffic accidents	34	36
Dispatcher Initiated Calls for Service	1,080	Year to date –1,080
Officer Initiated Calls for Service	836	Year to date –836
Total Police Calls for Service	1,916	Year to date –1,916
Fire Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,189	Year to date – 1,189

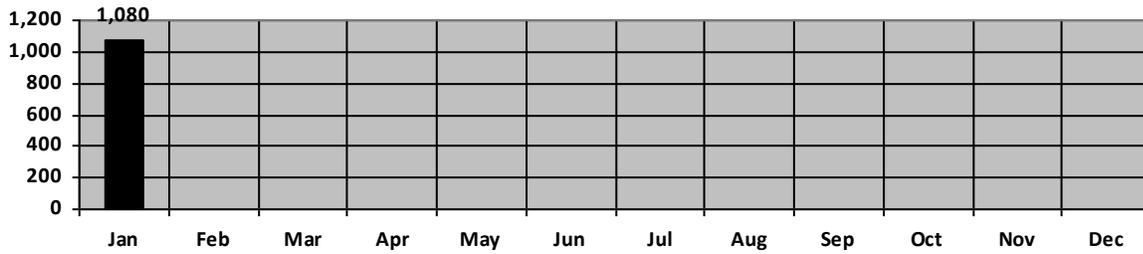
ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Chief McConnell attended a Homeland Security grant application workshop at the RCGOG office.
- Met with members of Aliviane regarding community public health issues and programs they offer. HCPD is partnering with Aliviane to provide a safe method to dispose of unused medicines.

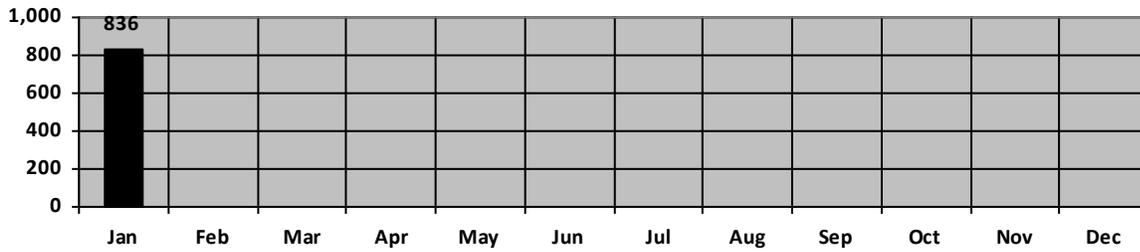


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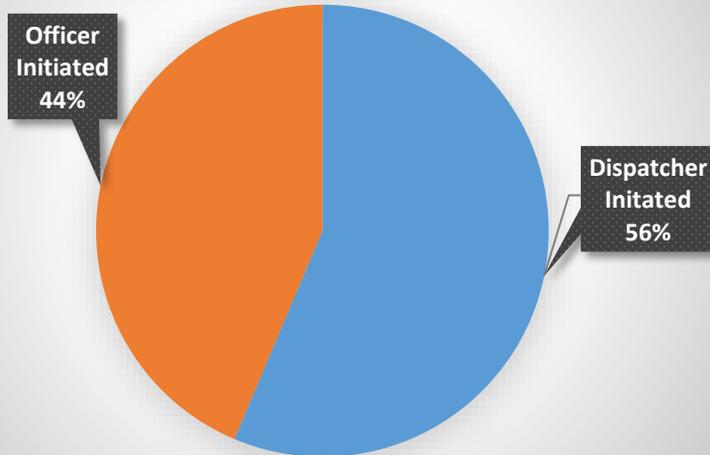
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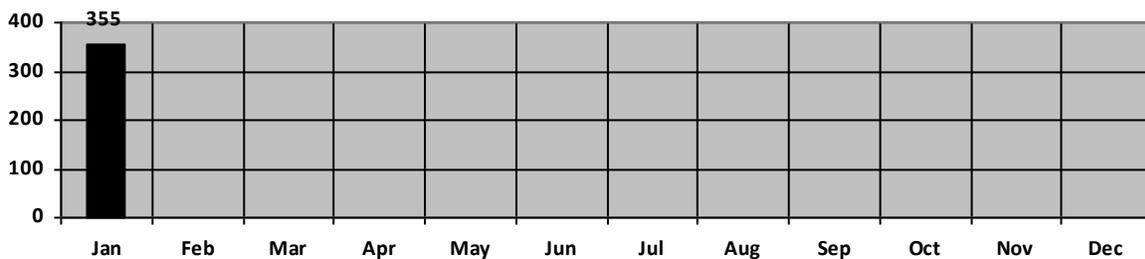
Officer Initiated Calls for Service



Calls for Service



Traffic Citations



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COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

Together as One

The Horizon Fire Department responded to a semi-trailer on fire on Eastlake Boulevard. The semi-trailer was loaded with tires and fully engulfed. An El Paso Fire Marshal, TXDOT, and County Roads and Bridges were requested to the scene. The semi-trailer was impounded and debris cleared off roadway. Horizon Fire cleared the scene six hours later. No injuries were reported.

The Horizon Fire Department responded to a semi-trailer on fire on Horizon Blvd. Additional firefighters were also requested to assist with the fire. The fire was extinguished approximately twenty minutes thereafter. An El Paso Fire Investigator was requested to the scene. The fire department cleared approximately two and a half hours later.

The Fabens, Clint and the Horizon Fire Departments responded to a structure fire across from the Tornillo High School. Several callers reported an unoccupied mobile home that was fully engulfed. The fire was extinguished approximately thirty minutes later. The scene was turned over to the fire marshal for further investigation. There were no injuries reported.

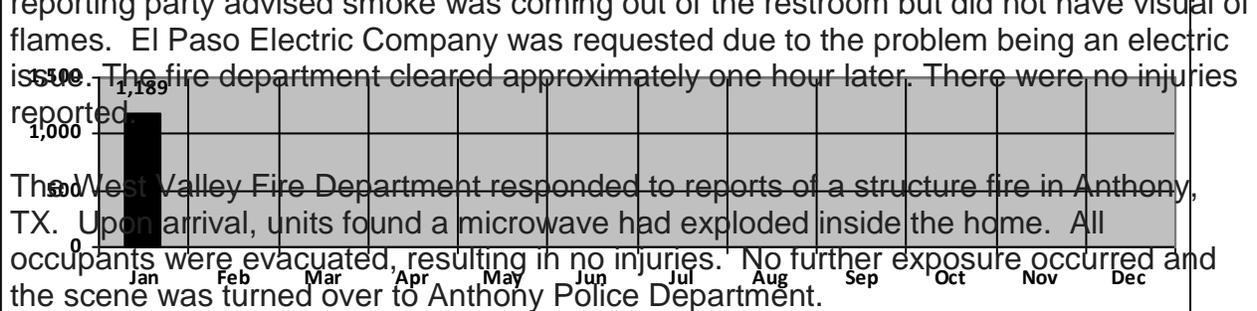
The West Valley Fire Department responded to a structure fire and also requested mutual aid assistance through the Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority. The reporting party advised smoke was coming out of the restroom but did not have visual of flames. El Paso Electric Company was requested due to the problem being an electric issue. The fire department cleared approximately one hour later. There were no injuries reported.

The West Valley Fire Department responded to reports of a structure fire in Anthony, TX. Upon arrival, units found a microwave had exploded inside the home. All occupants were evacuated, resulting in no injuries. No further exposure occurred and the scene was turned over to Anthony Police Department.

The Socorro Fire Department responded to reports of a motor vehicle accident in the area of Eastlake and Gateway West. Upon arrival, the units found a two vehicle motor vehicle accident involving a semi-trailer and a passenger car with an occupant still inside the vehicle. The fire department was able to successfully remove the patient from the vehicle. The patient was transported to Del Sol Medical Center, and the scene was turned over to the El Paso Sheriff's Office Department.

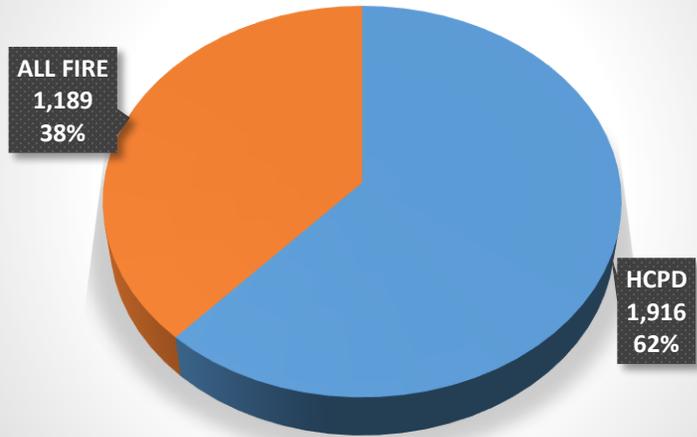
The Horizon, Montana, and the Socorro Fire Departments responded to a structure fire in Horizon City. The first unit on scene advised of a two story residential structure showing light smoke in the back of the residence. The residence utilities were secured, and the fire was contained on first floor. Significant damage was made to attic and first floor of the residence. The call was terminated three hours after call was dispatched.

All Fire Dispatched Calls

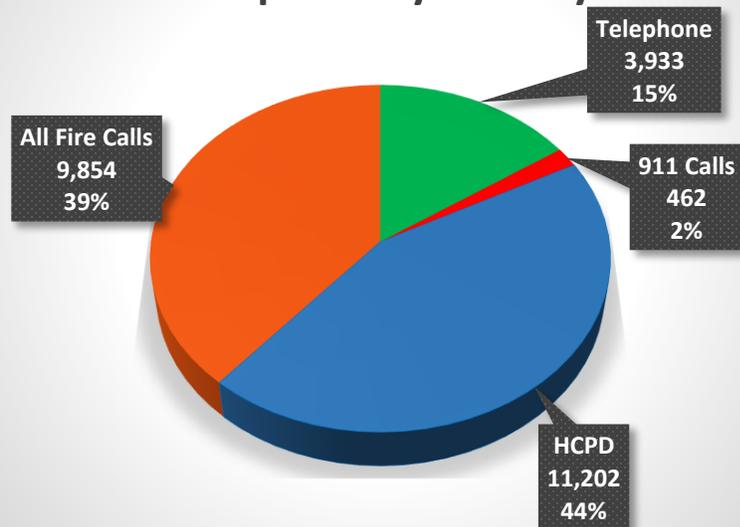


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CAD Call Numbers Assigned



Radio/Phone Traffic Voice Recordings Compared by Activity



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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

From the 71 support tickets that were submitted, 67 were completed and closed including three major projects. The remaining four tickets are pending due to the date and time they were submitted or issues that need to be further investigated and resolved. The issues are related to Tyler needing to be updated after hours, iPad's missing Otter Boxes, and SOP files and scanning. The major projects included:

- Installed 6 new Getac mobile data computers in police cars
- Installed the Energov Website Security Certificate
- Securing the iPad for Detectives

In addition to the major projects above, IT staff responded to a variety of tech support requests throughout the month.

WARRANTS DIVISION & FLEET OPERATIONS

The warrants officer received 38 summons for service. All summons were served. Eight people were arrested for traffic warrants. Collections were made on traffic warrants and those unable to post bond, were booked into the El Paso County Jail. The warrants officer reviewed seven Child Protective Services cases. The cases were reviewed and closed, or filed with the corresponding case due to allegations of neglect. The warrants officer took eight vehicles to the shop for oil changes and repairs. Bailiff duties were conducted during court proceedings.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS/EVIDENCE

Detective Nunez and Detective Labrado investigated cases ranging from runaways, criminal mischief, and burglary of vehicles. Lieutenant Ortega attended several meetings with SOCAP, JOIC, and the District Attorney's Office. Lieutenant Ortega signed 27 cases at the District Attorney's Office that were accepted for prosecution.

FORENSICS UNIT

The evidence technician conducted six open records requests for video from the officer's body cameras. The District Attorney's Office submitted thirteen requests for videos for cases ranging from DWI to assaults. Thirty-one items of evidence were submitted to the Texas Department of Public Safety for drug analysis. The forensics technician also assisted in processing eight fingerprints.

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CRIME PREVENTION ACTIVITIES

High School Academy Session in Development

Sergeant Mitre along with Horizon High School Criminal Justice teachers are in the planning phase of a several week academy at the high school. The academy will take place during school hours and will involve the advanced students in the criminal justice program. Students will be taught a variety of law enforcement topics. In the academy, students will be able to participate in hands-on activities and scenario based roleplay. The students will also be able to practice and demonstrate proficiency in law knowledge, decision making and skills such as interviewing and handcuffing.

Coffee With A Cop

Coffee with a Cop activities are pending approval from Whataburger corporate Office.

Explorer Program

Enrollment and participants of the explorer program remained stable throughout the month of December with approximately 10 members in the Junior Explorer group but dropped to 5 members in the primary program. The junior explorers are children who are enrolled in 6th – 8th grades. Other members are 13 – 21 years of age and attend high school, early college programs, or college and university programs. The drop is highly due to teenage members becoming involved in after school jobs and other academic extracurricular activities.

Activities for the month included regularly scheduled weekly meetings on Wednesdays from 6pm - 8pm

- ✓ January 2 – New Year Week, No Meeting
- ✓ January 9- End of year celebration planning committee
- ✓ January 16- Handcuffing Techniques
- ✓ January 23- Celebration of Leo's (commander) going off to college
- ✓ January 30- Scenario, Mechanics of Arrest

Our Explorer Commander, young Mr. Leonardo Melendez announced his resignation from the explorer program in order to pursue a college education. We thank Leo for his hard work and dedication to our HCPD family and look forward to a triumphant visit in a few years' time.

Home Security Assessments

Sergeant Mitre conducted three home security assessments during the month. Home assessment services are available free of charge to homeowners in our community. The assessment consist of multi-point inspection of a residence and all the factors which affect safety and security such as doors, locks, windows, exterior lighting, fencing and even landscaping.

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EMPLOYEE TRAINING

85th Federal and State Legislative Updates(4 hours): This course offers the Legislative mandated legislative updates from the 85th Legislature which have a significant application of state laws. Attended by Crespo, Vasquez, and H. Sierra.

Identity Theft (4 hours): The course is designed to help officers to recognize the types of identity theft. Mandated course. Attended by Diaz.

Asset Forfeiture and Racial Profiling (6 hours): Officers will become familiar with Supreme Court decisions and other court decisions involving appropriate actions in traffic stops and requirements for officers as to asset forfeiture. Attended by Diaz.

Inside the Tape (24 hours): Course is designed to assist the investigator in developing standard operating procedures, initial scene responsibilities and crime scene protocols. The course will cover a variety of topics when investigating a homicide. Attended by Ortega, Labrado, and Nunez.

Basic TCOLE Instructor (40 hours): Course is designed to provide the basic concepts of instruction and to increase the quality of professional law enforcement training. Attended by Greseth and Crespo.

Intermediate Crash Investigation (40 hours): The course is designed to further the investigative skills on offices determining the cause of a serious accident usually resulting in a fatality. Attended by Vasquez.

Stalking (8 hours): the training will assist with the identification and response to stalking either as a stand-alone issue or as it intersects with domestic violence and sexual assaults. Attended by M. Sierra, Gonzalez, Avitia, and Mitre.

TOTAL TRAINING HOURS FOR THE MONTH: 246 hours

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell
Chief of Police