

# Horizon City Police Department

Monthly Activity Report  
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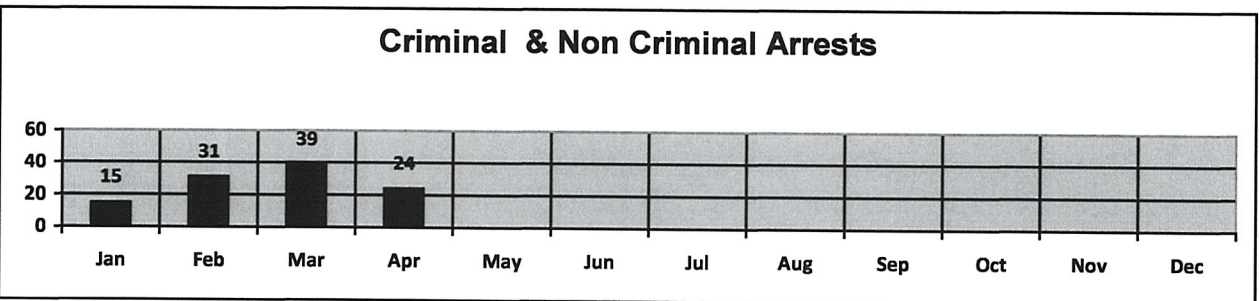
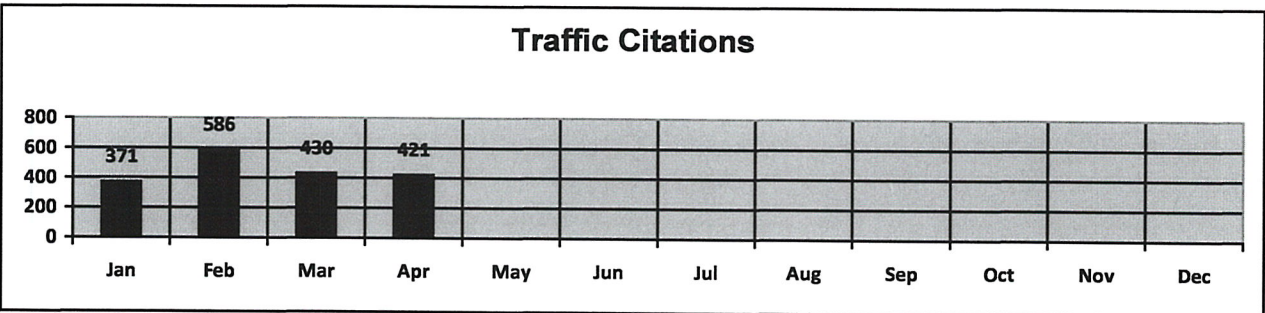
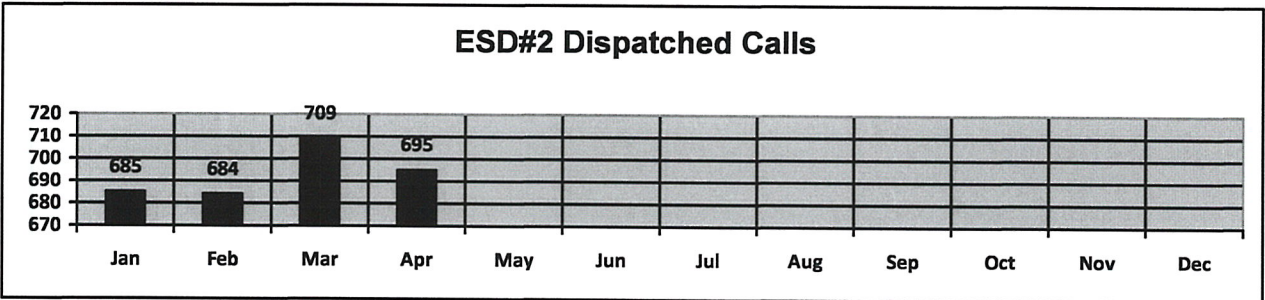
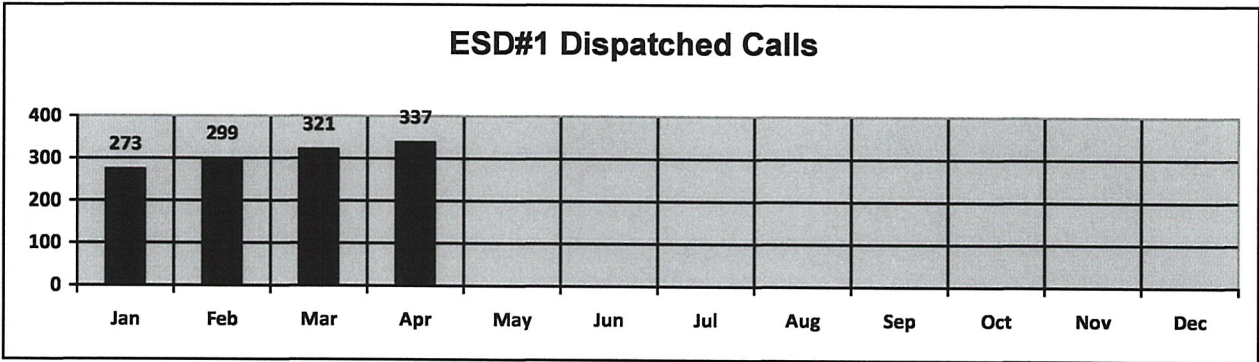
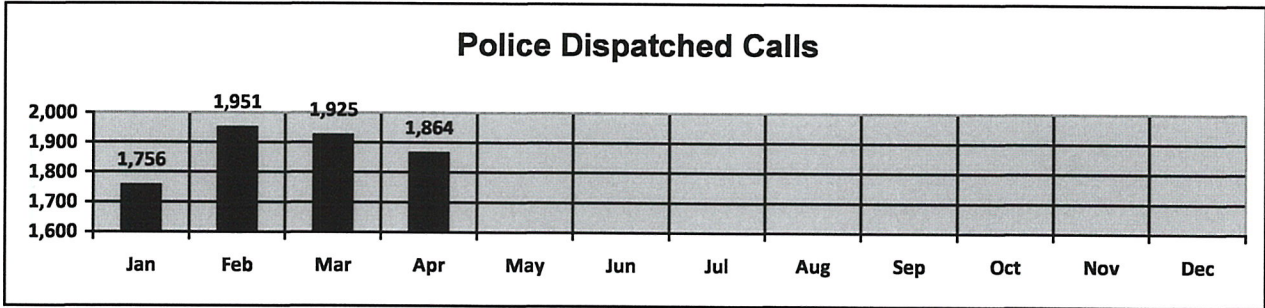


April, 2016

Description	Number	
	This Month	Last Month
Traffic Citations	421	430
Traffic Warnings	39	38
Parking Tickets	3	12
Investigations – Cases assigned	23	9
Investigations – Cases cleared	18	9
Investigations – Cases remaining open	5	5
Criminal & Non-Criminal Arrests	24	39
Total Schools Calls	8	8
Traffic accidents	19	23
Police Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,864	Year to date – 7,496
Fire Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,032	Year to date – 4,003

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Members of the explorer post assisted police officers with the 1st Child Safety Fair held at the Horizon City Fire station at the beginning of the month. The goal of the fair was to provide information to parents about child safety and healthy living. The cadets of the explorer program conducted child safety fingerprinting activities.
- Detective Campbell and Officer Moncivaiz left our organization and went to other law enforcement agencies.
- Met with Vinton officials concerning TCOLE law enforcement requirements.
- Dispatch supervisors attended the monthly ESD board meetings.



## COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

The week of April 10-16 honored telecommunication personnel in the public safety community. This focuses on the unseen heroes. Gifts were given to telecommunicators by the 911 District for their hard work and dedication.

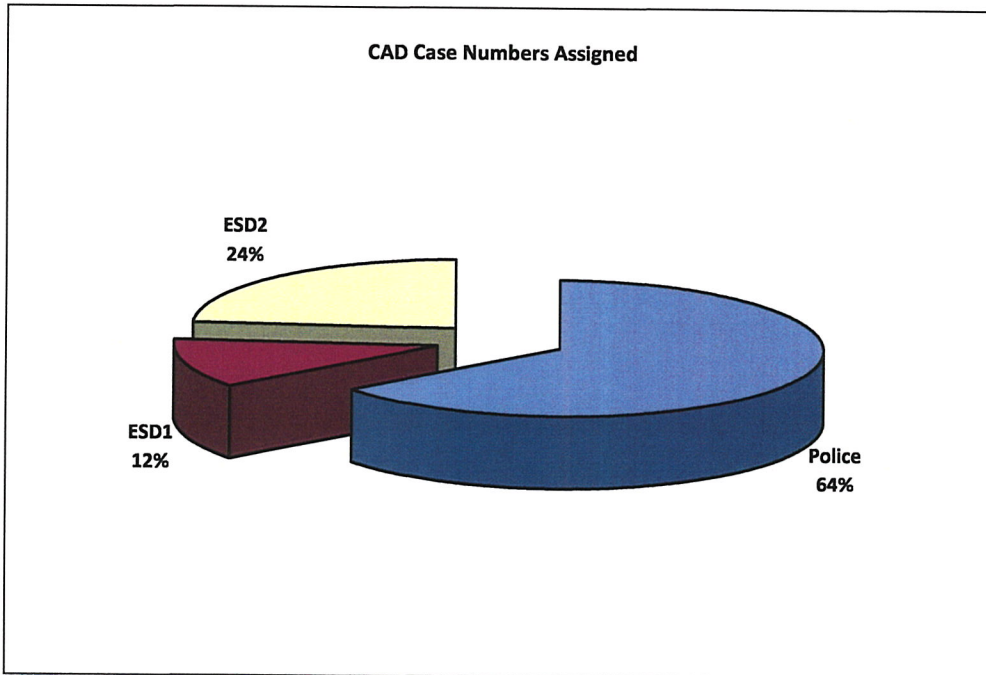


Communications handled several vehicle fires for El Paso County Emergency Services #2. The Montana Vista Fire Department was dispatched to the area of Snoqualmie and Quillayute regarding a vehicle fire in the desert area. Upon arrival, the Montana Vista Fire confirmed a Ford F350 was on fire. A Fire Marshal was requested to investigate the incident. In addition, the Socorro Fire Department responded to the 1200 block of Horizon reference to a semi-tractor trailer on fire. A Fire Marshal was first to call on scene, he advised units responding to continue Code 1 as a result of the fire being extinguished. When a fire department responds Code 1, no lights or sirens are used.

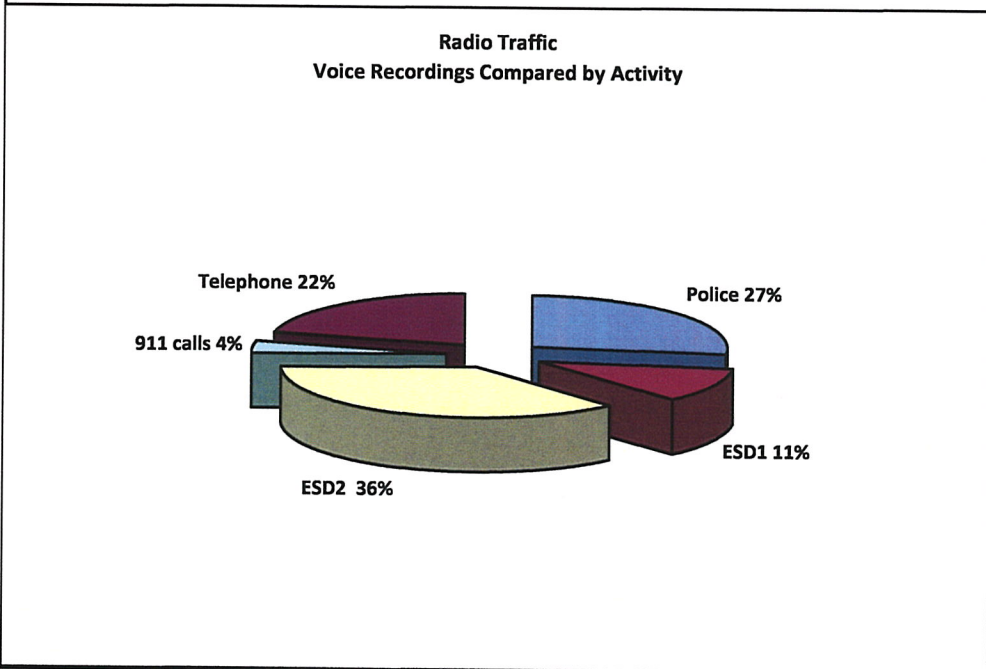
Life Ambulance was requested for the male driver of the semi-tractor trailer reference to breathing problems. The male subject refused transportation by Life Ambulance. The Socorro Fire Department responded to the block of 11820 Alameda regarding a vehicle fire. The fire was extinguished after 15 minutes. The Montana Vista Fire department also responded to the 3400 block of John Henry reference to a vehicle fire by the desert area. EPSO advised the vehicle was a Ford Explorer fully engulfed. The Fire Marshal was requested to investigate the incident. The incident lasted approximately 3 hours.

The Clint, San Elizario, Socorro, Fabens, and Horizon Fire departments responded to the 11300 block of Hovey reference to a structure fire fully engulfed. When handling a structure fire, the dispatcher will page out the three neighboring Fire Departments simultaneously. For this incident, five Fire Departments responded to the structure fire. The Socorro Fire Chief requested additional units to cancel due to having enough man power. The structure was extinguished in defensive mode. Defensive mode is used to isolate or stabilize an incident to assure it does not get worse. When firefighters are on defensive mode, they do not go inside the structure to extinguish the fire. The structure fire was extinguished after three hours.

The West Valley Fire department responded to the 500 block of Isabel reference to a structure fire. Two minutes later, dispatch was advised by the reporting party the fire had been extinguished with a water hose. West Valley Fire proceeded to the residence. Assistance was requested from Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority (MVRDA). MVRDA and the West Valley Fire Department have a mutual aid agreement. When responding to structure fires, West Valley Fire will request MVRDA's assistance. The West Valley Fire Department cleared after 15 minutes confirming the structure fire had been extinguished.



This graph reflects actual case numbers assigned by the Computer Aided Dispatch system presented as percentage ratios.



This graph demonstrates the volume of radio traffic depicted as a ratio being generated per activity.

## COMMUNITY POLICING

### Crime Prevention/ Community Outreach

During the months of January - March of the school year, Sgt. Mitre makes numerous presentations at area schools in which he presents videos and power point presentations about careers in law enforcement as well as in general positive decision making. While meeting with area youth, Sgt. Mitre introduces the explorer program which undergoes an influx of membership during the months of April and May. Career day presentations continued during the month of March. The next career day is scheduled for May 24, 2016.

### Burglary of Vehicle Incidents

During the timeframe of April 10 - April 29 there were multiple incidents of vehicle burglary incidents reported throughout the city. Patrol officers noted that the vehicles had been left unlocked and that no forced entry had been made into the vehicles. The HCPD developed a social media awareness campaign that began with a simple 15 second video reminding vehicle owners to lock their doors. The campaign reached full steam when the information was shared by community members via Facebook and Instagram. The campaign seemed to serve its purpose as the incidents of unlocked door vehicle burglary stopped by the end of the month.

### HCPD Police Explorer Program

The HCPD Police Explorers continued their monthly meetings training and building their skills via scenario-based training. During these scenarios, role players act as victims, offenders, and sometimes injured parties. The explorers, using their training, must make split-second decisions, just like police officers on patrol. In addition to the established training activities, the members of the explorer post appeared in various community events which included the 1st Child Safety Fair held at the Horizon City Fire station at the beginning of the month. The goal of the fair was to provide information to parents about child safety and healthy living. The cadets of the explorer program conducted child safety fingerprinting activities.

### Evidence

Sergeant Mitre continued development of the new evidence processing and packaging manual as a resource to aid officers in maintaining evidence integrity for successful prosecutions. In regard to the physical evidence items in the room, all items are accounted for. No discrepancies to report. Additional storage room was achieved with the addition of a secure storage shed.

### Texas Police Chief's Accreditation

In order to comply with standards set forth by our new policies, the HCPD social media pages have been updated with disclosures indicating that the pages are official and maintained by the HCPD and indicating the purpose of the page and complete contact information.

Our Chief of Police strives to provide the community with officers who treat the public with dignity and respect but in the case of a concern from a community member, the process of making a complaint has been outlined and thoroughly explained in a brochure available at our police station and on .PDF format available of download on our official website. [www.horizoncitypd.com](http://www.horizoncitypd.com)

### Movies in the Park 2016

During April, Sgt. Mitre continued preparations for the return of our Movies in the Park program. In addition to the traditional promotional materials, the HCPD will produce Movies in the Park schedule cards which will be passed out to area schoolchildren. So far businesses have pledged to sponsor 6000 schedule cards. The movie lineup was also advertised via channels of media on a press release. The summer movie lineup features:

June 4- Jurassic World  
June 11- Minions  
June 18- Star Wars The Force Awakens  
June 25- Max  
July 2- Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles  
July 9- Pan  
July 16- Inside Out  
July 23- The Good Dinosaur  
July 30- Hotel Transylvania  
August 6- Maleficent

### **Major Movies in the Park Sponsors**

Household Furniture  
Express Employment Professionals  
XPress Cleaning Professionals  
Farmers Insurance - Elizabeth Rayas Agent  
Dr. Dyer Family Dental "Where you are always treated like family"  
Hakes Brothers "Own The Home You Love"  
Edge Taekwondo

### **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION (CID)**

In April 2016, Detective B. Campbell was hired by the El Paso County Sheriff's Department having served in various capacities here as a patrolman, Patrol Sergeant, and Detective. We wish him well in his new endeavors.

The Criminal Investigations Division has been tasked with conducting the Children's Protective Services follow-ups. The referral is received and CID investigates if a crime has been committed, if an investigation is necessary, or if the allegations are unfounded.

CID received a call-out in reference to possible narcotics activity. Corporal L. Medina responded and an investigation ensued. A search warrant was obtained for the residence and with the assistance of the Patrol Division, approximately thirteen pounds of Marijuana were seized and a subject was taken into custody then booked into the El Paso County Jail.

Detective A. Labrado continued with the firearms qualifications for the Horizon City Police Officers. Detective A. Labrado and Corporal Medina continued to assist Homeland Security Investigations.

Cases received for the month of April were Injury to child, theft of property, theft of vehicle, burglary of vehicle, unauthorized use of motor vehicle, and delinquent conduct. 18 cases were closed, 23 cases were assigned, and 5 cases remain actively open.

### EMPLOYEE TRAINING

**Microsoft Excel Int. (8 hours):** Course will enhance the intermediate concept and show students how to create pivot tables, and analyzing the data. Att. By Det. A. Labrado

**Microsoft Word Int. (8 hours):** Course will enhance the intermediate aspects of word. It will include how to create and revise forms and comments. Students will learn how to protect their data and develop macros within the document. Att. By Det. A. Labrado

**ASP Instructor Course (24 hours):** Course will show instructors how to integrate baton, handcuff and flashlight training for practical field usage. This intense course includes multi-use drills, general tactics and expert support in case of litigation arising out of training. Att. By Sgt. Flores and Det L. Medina

**Cultural Diversity (8 hours) :** The course will help the student identify the various dimensions of diversity. Att. By Off. V. Vasquez, Off. J. Moncivaiz, Off. S. Braziel

**Personal Development (16 hours):** The lessons in personal Change Course closely parallels Dr. Stevens Covey's 1989 best seller "The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People." The course focuses on proactivity, personal leadership and management, paradigms of interdependence, empathetic listening skills, synergistic success, and wellness with the law enforcement view point. Att. By Comm. E. Ramos, Comm. S. Tarango, Det. L. Medina, Det. A. Labrado

**Human Trafficking Adv. (4 hours):** course is designed to increase the law enforcement communities awareness of the issue of human trafficking, through the exposure of information including: victim identification, investigation, rescue and prosecution considerations, referral and service providers availability, the critical need for development of a coordinated community response and the inter-connectivity of

state, federal, and global trafficking concerns. Att. By Off. J. Moncivaiz, Off. V. Vasquez, Off. S. Braziel, Off. M. Nieto

**Racial Profiling/ Asset Forfeiture (6 hours):** Student will be able to identify the legal aspects and the legislative requirements placed upon peace officers and law enforcement agencies regarding racial profiling. Att. By Off. JC Rodriguez, Off. R. Jacobo, Off. J. Crespo, Off. S. Braziel

**Controlled Party Dispersal (4 hours):** The course was developed to assist law enforcement agencies in better management of underage drinking parties. The goal is to train the officer how to properly manage the party, discover the adult providers, involve parents, and discourage future participation. Att. By Sgt. M. Casillas, Sgt. A. Flores, Sgt. G. Rosas, Off. J. Nunez, Off. R. Jacobo, Off. JC Rodriguez,

**Body Worn Cameras (2 hours):** The course teaches students the principles and uses behind body worn cameras in law enforcement. The student will be able to discuss when a camera should be activated due to privacy and department policy. Att. By Sgt. A. Flores, Sgt. J. Mitre, Det. L. Medina, Det. A. Labrado, Sgt. G. Rosas, Off. JC Rodriguez,

**TOTAL TRAINING HOURS FOR THE MONTH: 228**

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell  
Chief of Police





## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	460
Number of CITATIONS	421
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	77
No Drivers License (3103)	50
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	40
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	34
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	24
Ran Stop Sign/Traffic Control Device/Yield Sign (3006)	19
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	16
Speeding School Zone (11 - 16) (3001SB)	16
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)	14
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	11
Curfew (0038)	8
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2100)	8
Expired Drivers License (3259)	6
Consumption of Alcohol By Minor (3803)	6
Possession of Alcohol By Minor (3800)	6
Speeding School Zone 17 + Miles (3001SC)	6
Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over) (3001SA)	5
Fail to Control Speed (3050)	4
Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)	4
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	4
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	4
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	4
Open Container (3323)	3
Speeding (21-25 Miles Over) (3001C)	3
D.O.C. Fighting with Another (1175)	3
No License or Vendor Permit (0092)	3

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## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Drove Truck on Prohibited Street (0093)	3
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	3
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	2
No License Plate Light (3274)	2
Cut Across Driveway/Private Property to Make Turn (3081)	2
Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn (3097)	2
Use Equipment Not Authorized (3628)	2
Minor In Possession of Tobacco Products (0055)	2
Fail to Maintain Financial Resp. 2nd Offense (3025)	2
Wrong or Obscured License Plate (3657)	2
Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle (3668)	2
Theft Under \$100.00 (1020)	2
In City parks after hours 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. (0181)	2
Driving Under The Influence -Minor (3806)	1
Speeding (26 + Miles Over) (3001D)	1
Operation of Vehicle by New State Resident (0001)	1
Defective Turn Signal Lamp(s) (3172)	1
No Seat Belt - Driver (3032)	1
Drove without Lights (When Required) (3198)	1
Drove Wrong Way on One-Way Roadway (3016)	1
Failure to Identify (1130)	1
Drove on Wrong Side of Road/Bridge (3015A)	1
Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060)	1
Littering/Illegal Dumping (3358)	1
Driving on Sidewalk or Hike and Bike Trail (3315)	1
Illegal Pass on Right (3020)	1
Defective Brakes (3213)	1
Failed to Yield ROW at Open Intersection (3054)	1
<b>Number of WARNINGS</b>	<b>39</b>

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## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	5
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	4
No License Plate Light (3274)	4
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	4
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	3
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	3
Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change (3096)	2
No Drivers License (3103)	2
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	2
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	1
Drove Truck on Prohibited Street (0093)	1
Equipment/Missing or None (3627)	1
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	1
Change Name/Mailing Address Later Than 30 Days (CDL) (3302)	1
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	1
Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn (3097)	1
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	1
Ran Stop Sign/Traffic Control Device/Yield Sign (3006)	1
Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over) (3001SA)	1

<b>Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Number of CITATIONS</b>	<b>3</b>
Parking/Stopping/Standing on a Sidewalk - \$46.00 (3556)	1
Parking on Front or Side Yard- \$46.00 Not a moving Violation (0093C)	1
Parked Double - \$46.00 (3284)	1

**HCPD Monthly Count  
Of Calls**

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date: 5/1/2016 2:00:26 AM

Report Date From: 4/1/2016 00:00:00

Report Date To: 4/30/2016 23:59:59

**Count of PD Calls:**

**1864**

# CNTYFD Monthly Count Of Calls

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date: 5/2/2016 12:00:00 AM

Report Date From: 4/1/2016 0:00

Report Date To: 4/30/2016 23:59

Count of CNTYFD Calls: 1032

## Count of all Events

County Fire Dept Detailed	
CLFD	65
FAFD	76
HCFD	337
MVFD	96
SCFD	230
SEFD	108
WVFD	120