

Horizon City Police Department

Monthly Activity Report
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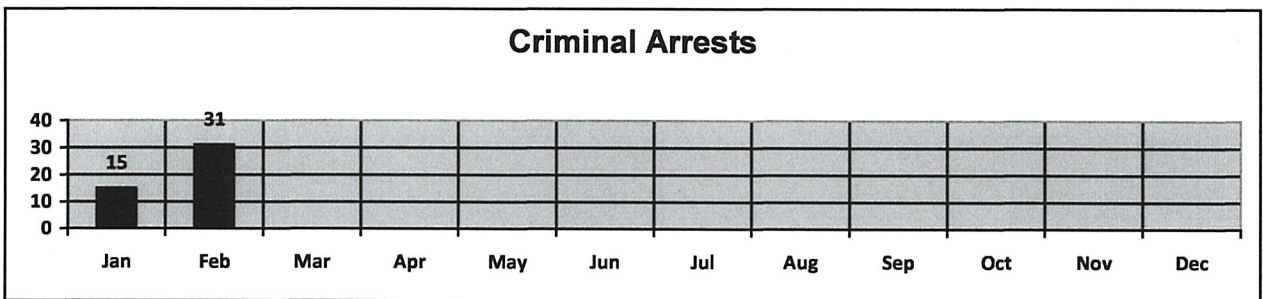
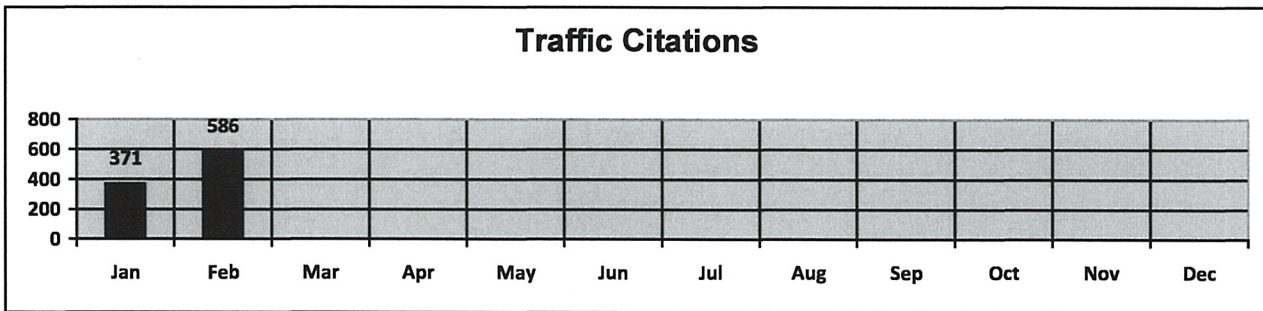
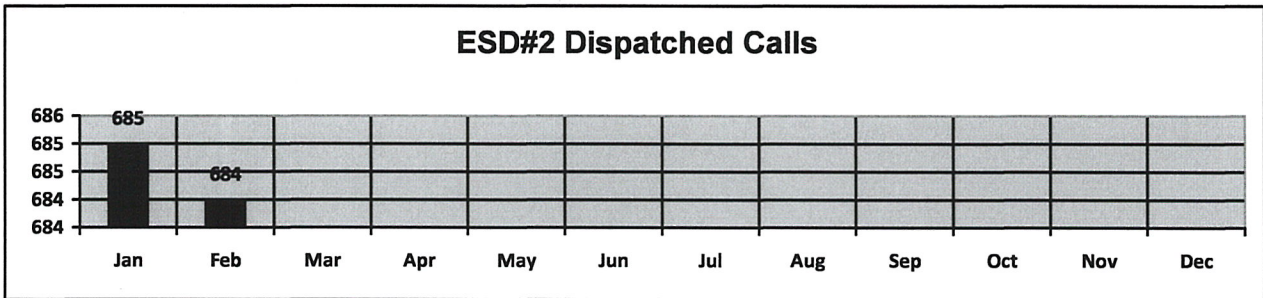
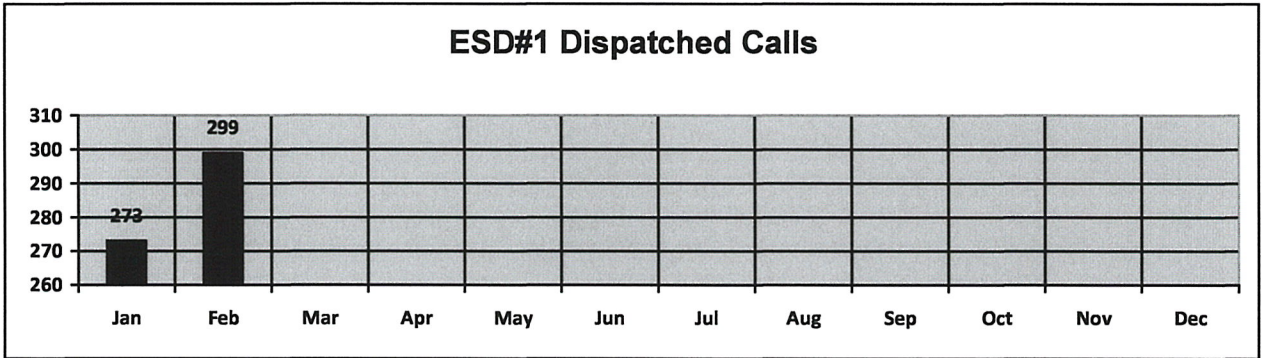
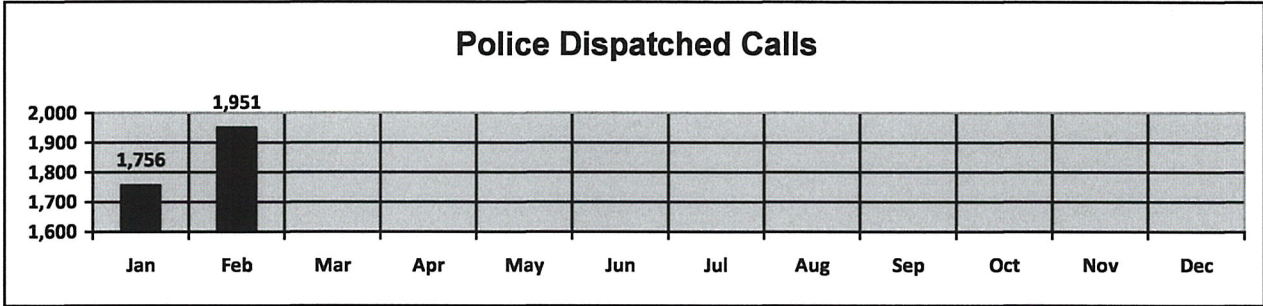


February, 2016

Description	Number	
	This Month	Last Month
Traffic Citations	586	371
Traffic Warnings	48	29
Parking Tickets	65	72
Investigations – Cases assigned	30	26
Investigations – Cases cleared	25	10
Investigations – Cases remaining open	5	15
Criminal & Non-Criminal Arrests	31	15
Total Schools Calls	6	9
Traffic accidents	13	13
Police Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,951	Year to date – 3,707
Fire Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	983	Year to date – 1,941

ITEMS OF INTEREST

- We had the opportunity to swear in three new police reserve officers this month. Our reserve strength is now at eight and we have a few more to process. We maintain a revolving process where individuals can apply anytime during the year. When we receive several applications, would begin to process the applications at that time.
- The February police department employee of the month was Telecommunicator Irlanda Heredia. Congratulations to Irlanda!
- We are continuing to review the Standard Operating Policies in accordance with the Texas Best Practices program and hope to have them in place within two months.



COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

The communications division performs a wide variety of tasks including emergency and non-emergency calls from the public requesting law enforcement, fire, or medical services. Communication Specialists need quick decision/problem solving skills during stressful situations. In addition, they need the ability to multi task, process multiple calls simultaneously, and establish the priority status of the call to maintain and take control of the situation. Recently, the communications division has been handling higher volume of brush and structure fire calls which are transferred by the 911 district through to our 911 phones. Communications has experienced an increase of radio traffic as well.



We had several structure fire incidents with ESD2. On February 1, West Valley Fire Department responded to a two story structure fire. Once the units were on scene, a fire unit took incident command. That fire unit becomes the incident command and is in charge of notifying communications of any updates and requesting resources. Dispatch in return will only call out to the incident command for updates and benchmarks every 10 minutes or as requested.

Benchmarks assist the incident commander with recognizing actual time elapsed since last check and to allow planned decision making and overall scene safety. Thirty minutes after the responding units called on scene, incident command requested communications to deploy the evacuation tone. This tone is deployed to notify all firefighters inside the structure to evacuate immediately because of an imminent threat to safety. The West Valley Fire Department advised dispatch they would be fighting the fire in defensive mode. When firefighters are in defensive mode, they are situated outside the structure trying to put out the fire. They will not enter the residence once they call out defensive mode. This structure fire lasted approximately six hours. Three hours later, communications dispatched West Valley Fire to the same address reference smoke coming from the roof. Hot spots were extinguished.

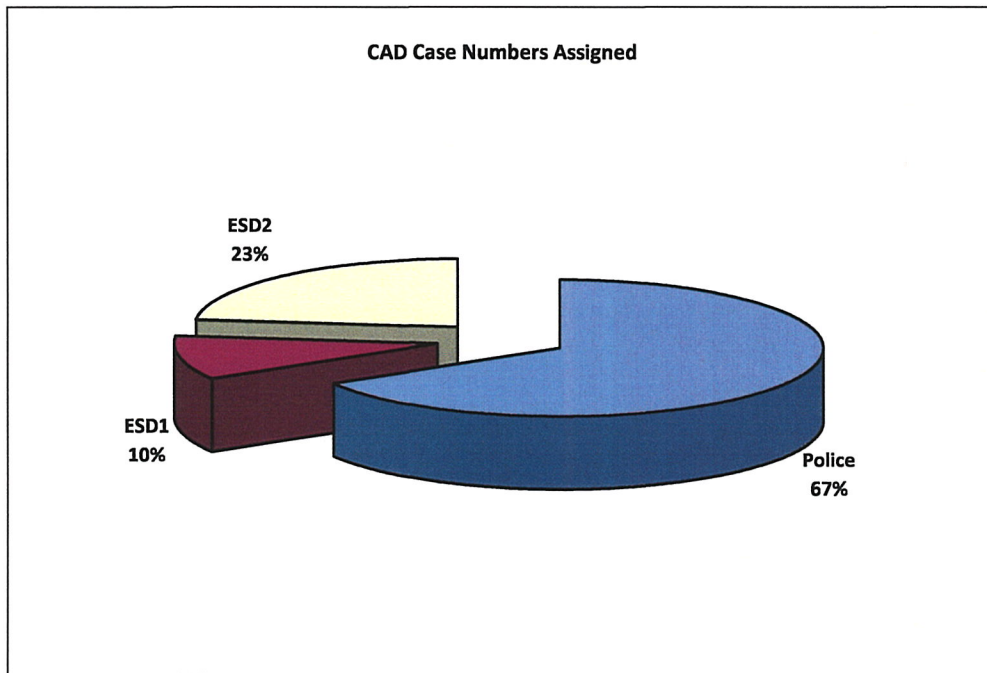
On February 6, Horizon, Socorro, and Montana Vista Fire responded to a shed on fire. Dispatch received multiple calls and were advised a shed was on fire next to a propane tank. A few minutes later, dispatch received an additional call advising the propane tank had exploded and the residence had caught on fire. Updates were relayed to the units responding. While the fire department units were trying to put out the fire, communications received a call regarding a head on collision in the 1300 block of Horizon by the Petro. One of the drivers could not get out of the vehicle. It took a few minutes for the fire units to respond, because they were busy assisting with the structure fire. Fire units had to break away from structure fire and respond to this head on collision. This head on collision caused Horizon Blvd to be shut down by EPSO. Three life ambulances were requested for the motor vehicle accident. Six patients were transported to the hospital. In addition, four minutes after communications dispatched units to the head on collision a medical call reference to an unconscious party was

received. Communications had fire units working both the head-on collision and structure fire simultaneously. Horizon and Socorro Fire could not break away to assist with the unconscious party. San Elizario responded to this medical call. The patient was transported to Del Sol Medical Center with a firefighter on board.

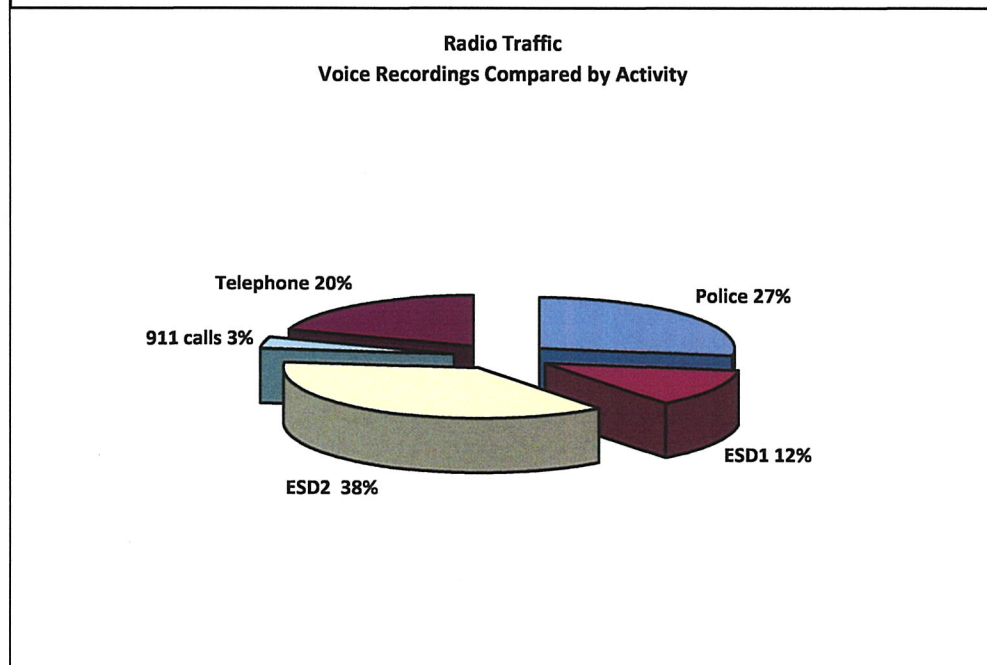
The above examples demonstrate the need for the dispatchers to be trained and be able to respond to multiple fire and EMS events simultaneously. When these multiple events occur, the dispatch center becomes hectic with the radio and phone traffic from various emergency services to the scene.

The Communications Coordinator and Supervisor attended the regional agency meeting at the 911 District building. Issues were discussed regarding the Horizon City Police Communications for any type of fires. The Chief of Police, Communications Coordinator, and Supervisor also attended the 911 District Board of Managers meeting at the 911 District Building.

Additionally, the Communications Coordinator and the Supervisor attended the ESD2 Commissioner meeting to provide a monthly communications report. Chief Adler, president of the ESD2 Board of Directors discussed adding two phone lines to the communications dispatch center. These phone lines will be published telephone numbers that will be paid by ESD2 and made available to the public for emergency and nonemergency use. We also expect to receive fire alarms from alarm companies on these lines.



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.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION (CID)

CID conducted several follow up investigations and background investigations. CID staff attended several trainings, including computer operations child safety check alerts for missing or endangered children, canine encounters and illegal dumping investigations. Corporal Medina maintained her status as a Task Force Officer with the Department of Homeland Security and was reassigned to the Financial Crimes unit at HSI. She will be assisting in investigations that are financially linked to criminal activity.

Detectives assisted in the service of summons for the Horizon City Municipal Court.

Detective Labrado assisted Sgt. Adrian Flores with the Departments weapons qualifications. Det. Labrado prepared a shooting course to familiarize Department personnel with different shooting standards as well as scenario based training.

Detective Labrado also assisted in developing Department based Defensive Tactics Training which will be implemented in the coming months. The training was developed to bring up Department standards to the Texas Police Chiefs Accreditation standards. Department personnel will be taught methods in handcuffing, baton usage and hand to hand combat which will become part of the Departments annual based training along with weapon qualifications.

Cases received during the month of February were burglary of habitation, assaults, property thefts and criminal mischief.

EMPLOYEE TRAINING

Microsoft Excel Adv. (8 Hours): Course will enhance the intermediate concept and show students how to create pivot tables, and analyzing the data. Attended by Det. Campbell, Medina, Sgt. A. Flores and C. Luna.

Microsoft Word Adv. (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. Attended by Det. Campbell, Det. Medina.

Illegal Dumping (2 Hours): Course will cover the basics of how to compile and prosecute against illegal dumping. Taught by County Attorney's office. Attended by Sgt. Flores, Sgt. Ortega, Sgt. Rosas, Sgt. Casillas, Officers Zeiger, Delgadillo, Nieto, Moncivaiz, Vasquez, Crespo, Nunez, Braziel, A/C Rico.

Advanced Human Trafficking (8 Hours): 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 human trafficking concerns. Attended by Telecommunicator Molina.

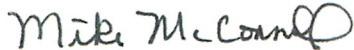
K-9 Encounters (4 Hours): Course is newly mandated for officers within two years of licensure. Attended by Det. Medina, Det. Campbell, Officers Zeiger, Donley, and Mitre.

TCOLE Instructor Course (40 Hours): Course will show students how to create lesson plans, exams, how to use instructional media, teaching methods and identify what documents need to be turned in to an Academy staff before and after the class. Attended by Telecommunicator Garcia and Tarango.

Child Safety Check List (1 Hour): Course is a TCOLE requirement for Intermediate/Advanced Peace officer certification. Attended by Sgt. Flores, Sgt. Ortega, Det. Medina, Det. Campbell, Det. Labrado, officers Zeiger, and Donley.

TOTAL TRAINING HOURS FOR THE MONTH - 184

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell
Chief of Police



Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	634
Number of CITATIONS	586
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	94
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	80
No Drivers License (3103)	64
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	41
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	36
Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over) (3001SA)	34
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	32
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)	26
Ran Stop Sign/Traffic Control Device/Yield Sign (3006)	25
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	19
Speeding School Zone (11 - 16) (3001SB)	18
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	13
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	11
Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)	11
Speeding School Zone 17 + Miles (3001SC)	8
Speeding (21-25 Miles Over) (3001C)	8
Expired Drivers License (3259)	6
Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn (3097)	5
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger (3031A)	4
Change Name/Mailing Address Later Than 30 Days (CDL) (3302)	4
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2100)	4
Speeding (26 + Miles Over) (3001D)	3
Ran Red Light (3007)	3
No Seat Belt - Driver (3032)	3
Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle (3668)	3
Use Equipment Not Authorized (3628)	2

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Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Drove without Lights (When Required) (3198)	2
Failed to Yield Right of Way (3005C)	2
Wrong or Obscured License Plate (3657)	2
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	2
Equipment/Missing or None (3627)	2
Parent/Guardian Permitted Unlicensed Minor to Drive (3364)	2
Drove Truck on Prohibited Street (0093)	2
Possession of Alcohol By Minor (3800)	2
Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060)	1
Theft Under \$100.00 (1020)	1
Curfew (0038)	1
Display Unclean License Plates/Obstructed (3658)	1
Use of Wireless Communication Device (0000H)	1
Failed to Yield at Yield Intersection (3053)	1
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	1
Failed to Yield ROW at Open Intersection (3054)	1
Fail to Get a Texas CDL After 30 Days of Residence in This State (3303)	1
Operate Motor Vehicle Displaying Insignia Assigned to Another M/V (3666)	1
No License Plate Light (3274)	1
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	1
Illegal Use of Horn (3225)	1
Number of WARNINGS	48
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	12
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	8
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	5
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	3
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	2
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger (3031A)	2
Cut Across Driveway/Private Property to Make Turn (3081)	2

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Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Use of Wireless Communication Device (0000H)	1
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)	1
Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over) (3001SA)	1
Display Unclean License Plates/Obstructed (3658)	1
Change Name/Mailing Address Later Than 30 Days (CDL) (3302)	1
Parked Facing Traffic - \$46.00 (3561)	1
Parked w/ Wheels Over 18 In From Curb/Edge of Rdwy - \$46.00 (3564)	1
No License Plate Light (3274)	1
No Drivers License (3103)	1
Failed to Dim Headlights-Meeting (3155)	1
No Seat Belt - Driver (3032)	1
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	1
Equipment/Missing or None (3627)	1
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	1

Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)	65
Number of CITATIONS	64
Parking on Front or Side Yard- \$46.00 Not a moving Violation (0093C)	40
Parking/Stopping/Standing on a Sidewalk - \$46.00 (3556)	15
Parked In a Handicapped Zone/Parking - \$86.00 (9000)	2
Parked Facing Traffic - \$46.00 (3561)	2
Parking/Standing w/i 15 Ft of Fire Hydrant - \$46.00 (3569)	1
Parked w/ Wheels Over 18 In From Curb/Edge of Rdwy - \$46.00 (3564)	1
Park/Stand in Front of Public/Private Drive - \$46.00 (3552)	1
Park/Stand w/ 30 Ft of A Traffic Control Device - \$46.00 (3572)	1
Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$46.00 (0093B)	1
Number of WARNINGS	1
Park/Stand in Front of Public/Private Drive - \$46.00 (3552)	1

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**HCPD Monthly Count
Of Calls**

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date: 3/1/2016 2:00:23 AM

Report Date From: 2/1/2016 00:00:00

Report Date To: 2/29/2016 23:59:59

Count of PD Calls: 1951

CNTYFD Monthly Count Of Calls

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date: 3/1/2016 12:00:00 AM

Report Date From: 2/1/2016 0:00

Report Date To: 2/29/2016 23:59

Count of CNTYFD Calls: 983

Count of all Events

County Fire Dept Detailed

CLFD	48
FAFD	59
HCFD	299
MVFD	108
SCFD	240
SEFD	101
WVFD	128