



# Horizon City Police Department

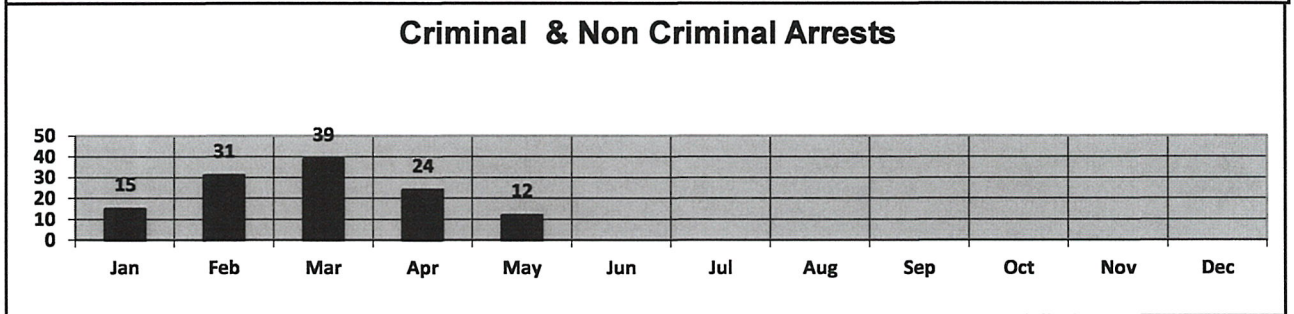
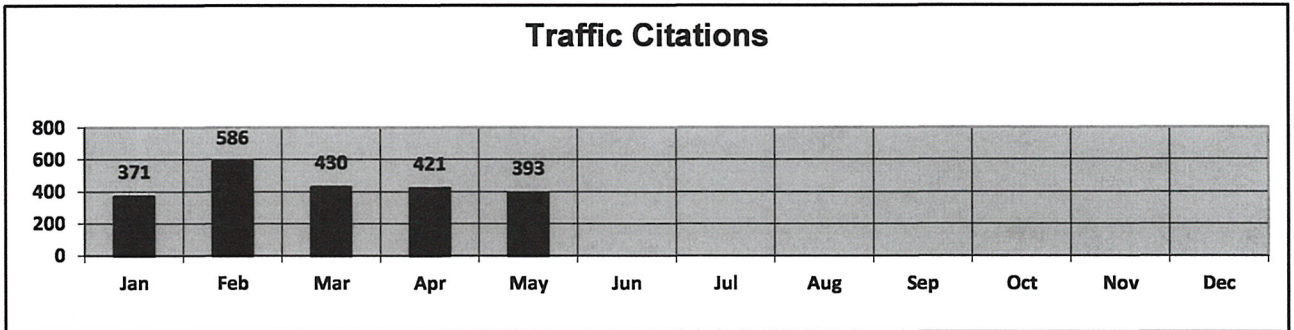
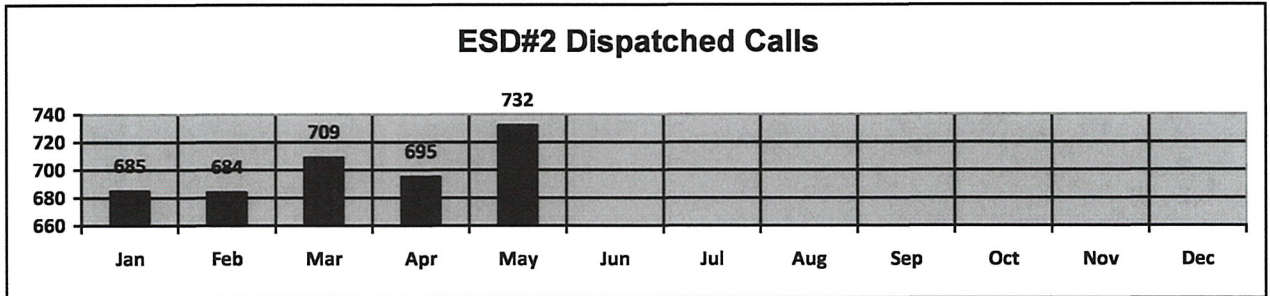
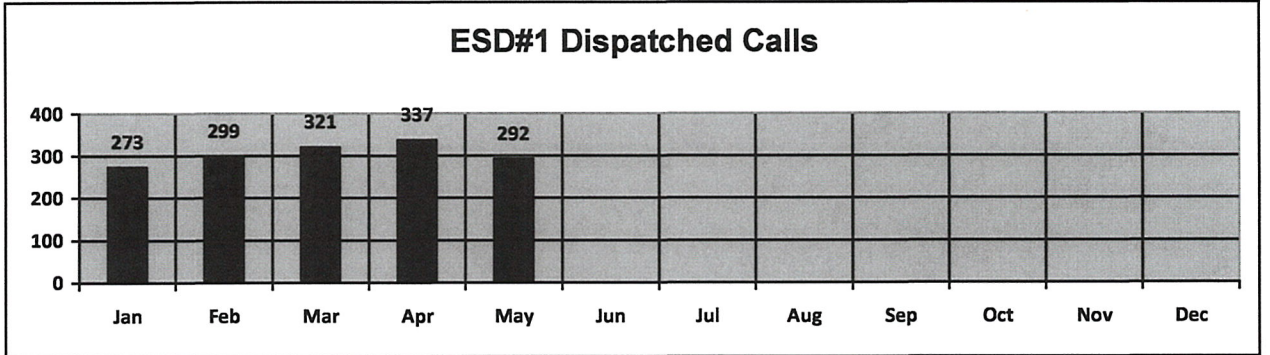
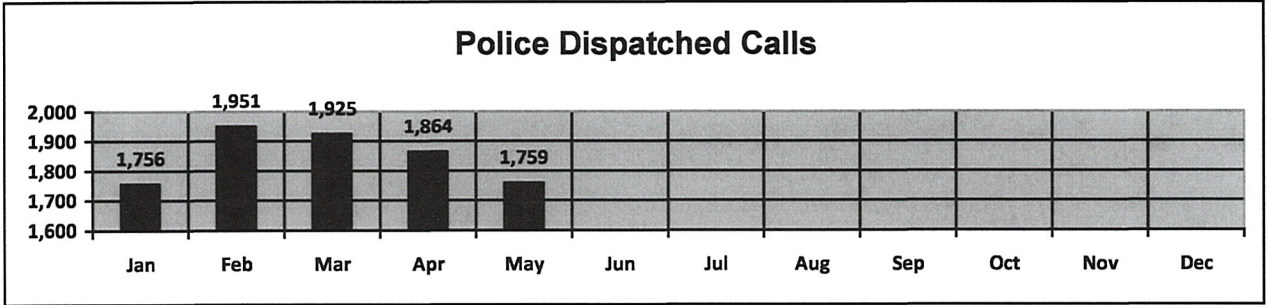
Monthly Activity Report  
Chief of Police, Michael G. McConnell, Ph.D.

May, 2016

Description	Number	
	This Month	Last Month
Traffic Citations	393	421
Traffic Warnings	37	39
Parking Tickets	9	3
Investigations – Cases assigned	12	23
Investigations – Cases cleared	20	18
Investigations – Cases remaining open	8	5
Criminal & Non-Criminal Arrests	23	24
Total Schools Calls	5	8
Traffic accidents	26	19
Police Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,759	Year to date – 9,255
Fire Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,024	Year to date – 5,027

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Chief McConnell attended the TCOLE required Texas Chiefs of Police leadership Series course in Waco Texas.
- Chief McConnell attended the regular El Paso County 911 District Board of Managers meeting.
- We conducted applicant testing for police officer and telecommunicator positions to establish hiring lists.



## COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

Communications Specialists are the unseen heroes for our 911 telecommunications department. Responsibilities include answering and dispatching both emergency and non-emergency calls for assistance and information. As call takers and dispatchers, we are required to take control of situations that may be chaotic, heart breaking, stressful, or dealing with life or death. Our 911 telecommunications department attends to three radio channels; Horizon City Police Department, ESD1, and ESD2. Prioritizing and multitasking between radio channels are essential job functions.



The Horizon City Police Officers and Fire Department responded to residence on Velia reference to a medical call. The caller advised the patient was unconscious and not breathing. The dispatcher multi-selected the radio channel to dispatch Horizon City Fire and Police simultaneously. Upon arrival, the Horizon Fire Department advised it was an obvious DOS (dead on scene). The Medical Examiner was requested to investigate the cause of the death. Officers remained on scene for approximately three hours.

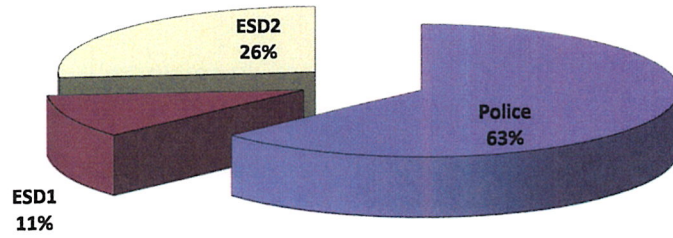
The Fire Departments responded to 16 structure fires and 5 car fires. Structure fires occupy a large amount of radio traffic. Three fire departments are dispatched simultaneously on all structure fires. A structure fire does not necessarily mean a residence is on fire. Structure fires consist of anything inside a structure burning or smoking. For example, a turkey inside the oven burning, an electrical outlet smoking, etc. All structure fires are taken as serious fires and three fire departments are dispatched no matter how minimal the call initially sounds. Communication Specialists are never allowed to cancel Fire Departments regardless if they are told by the caller the fire is extinguished.

Clint, Fabens, Socorro Fire, and Fire Marshals responded to the 1100 block of Yann reference to a mobile home on fire. Upon arrival FM902, requested additional manpower from Horizon Fire advising the back of the mobile home was fully engulfed. The Fire Departments investigated the scene and concluded the cause of the fire initiated from the kitchen. The fire was under control after an hour on scene. The Fire Marshal conducted investigation and the call was closed after approximately 3 hours. In addition, the Horizon Fire Department responded to the 13000 block of Pipeline reference a vehicle fire in the desert. The vehicle was extinguished and the responding units remained on scene for two hours. The vehicle was impounded by EPSO.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> shift supervisor attended the ESD1 & ESD2 Commissioners meetings to provide a monthly communications report. The Communications Coordinator, Shift Supervisor, and Police Sergeant had an interview board. The Communications department will soon hire and welcome two members to the team. 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.

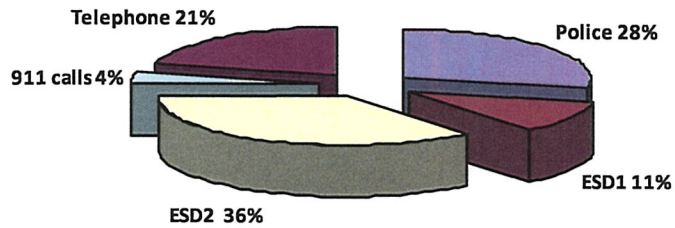
This graph reflects actual case numbers assigned by the Computer Aided Dispatch system presented as percentage ratios.

CAD Case Numbers Assigned



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

Radio Traffic  
Voice Recordings Compared by Activity



## COMMUNITY POLICING

### Crime Prevention/ Community Outreach

During the month of May 2016, Sgt. Mitre attended various Career Day presentations in area schools, ranging from elementary to middle school. On May 24th, Sergeant Mitre attended an extended presentation career day in which Sgt. Mitre presented several groups of students with a visual presentation and lecture regarding the requirements, adventures and cautions getting involved in a career in law enforcement.

### 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 sorted out over 14,000 Movies in the Park schedule cards which were distributed to area schools:

Frank Macias Elementary • Ricardo Estrada Jr. High • Carrol T. Welch Elementary • Desert Hills Elementary • Horizon High School • Horizon Middle School • Dr. Sue Shook Elementary • Horizon Heights Elementary • John Ensor Middle School • Eastlake High School • Mission Ridge Elementary

In addition to the schools, cards were also distributed at several area businesses.

### Evidence

No discrepancies to report. Additional storage room was achieved with the addition of a secure storage shed. The shed will be ready for full operation in early June 2016.

### 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 produced Movies in the Park schedule cards which were passed out to area school children by each school. Area businesses sponsored over 14,000 schedule cards. The 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

24x36 (movie theater size posters) were distributed to the area businesses with the most traffic. We hope to have yet another successful season and we hope for some great weather. Movies in the Park begins at 8:30pm at Corcoran Park located at Rodman St. & Warren Belin St. in Horizon City, TX 79928.

**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"

Taekwondo EDGE

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS**

Detectives were referred a case for Indecency with a Child. The investigation and interview of the parties involved revealed that the case was unfounded. CID assisted the Department of Homeland Security with conducting surveillance on an ongoing investigation.

Detectives were called out to a residence for an Injury to Child case. The suspect was a relative visiting from out of town and was alleged to have caused injuries on the three of the five children of the home. The investigation revealed conflicting stories and the suspect agreed to meet with Detectives. Child Protective Services was notified and the case was submitted to the District Attorney's Office non-arrest.

Detectives were called out to an unattended Death of a male. The spouse of the deceased was preparing herself for a Doctor's appointment and noticed her husband was not out of bed yet. She went to the bedroom and found her husband unresponsive. She stated to Officers that nothing out of the ordinary had occurred during the day or the day before. An autopsy was requested and case is pending the Medical Examiner's report.

Cases received for the month of May theft, credit card abuse, unauthorized use of motor vehicle, burglary of habitation, and burglary of vehicle. 12 cases were assigned, 20 cases were closed, and 8 cases remain actively open.

## 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. Att. By Det. A. Labrado, Det. L. Medina

**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. Att. By Det. A. Labrado, 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. S. Braziel

**Crises Intervention (16 Hours):** Training provides the key concepts, safety techniques, and communications skills. The course will include a combination of lecture, scenario role-play and physical modeling. Att. By Off. N. Hernandez

**Special Investigative Topics (8 Hours):** Goal is to provide the student with a better understanding of Texas State laws concerning child abuse and Child Protective Services. To provide the student with information dealing with sexual assaults interviews involving both children and adults. The student will also learn what is mandated for registered sex offenders and to learn about the different types of sex offenders and sex offenses. Att. By Off. N. Hernandez

**Child Safety Check (4 Hours):** Required course for Intermediate/ Advanced Peace Officer Certification. Att. By Sgt. Casillas, Off. J. Crespo, Off. J. Nunez, Off. G. Rosas, Off. JC. Rodriguez, Off. R. Jacobo, Off. N. Hernandez, Off. G. Rodriguez

**NARK II Field Test Instructor Training (4 Hours):** the instructor will the correct use of the NARK II field tests. Course will be discussing the new synthetic substances which are sweeping the country as well as all of the standard substances. Att. By Sgt. A. Flores. Sgt. J. Mitre, Det. A. Labrado

**Hidden Compartment Class (16 Hours):** Course covers methods used to conceal and smuggle drugs across the international borders using vehicles. The students will be taken through actual vehicles that have been flagged as possible loaded vehicles and guided through the process of stripping a vehicle to reach the contraband. Att. By Off. R. Jacobo, Off. JC Rodriguez.

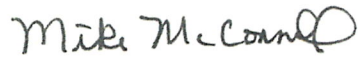
**Policy and Procedures (8 Hours):** In-service training in which officers reviewed the New Policy and Procedures Manual. Att. By Off. R. Jacobo, Sgt. G. Rosas, Det. L. Medina, Det. A. Labrado, Off. J. Nunez.

**Texas Police Chiefs Leadership Series (40 hours):** The Texas Police Chief Leadership Series is a 40 hour management and leadership course scheduled in Huntsville at the LEMIT Building as well as throughout Texas. The program is

specifically designed to assist police administrators in developing their leadership skills and to help them recognize those factors that impact the effectiveness of law enforcement agencies. Instructors consist of nationally recognized experts in each area of the curriculum to provide the highest caliber of instruction available. Chief McConnell.

***TOTAL TRAINING HOURS FOR THE MONTH: 220***

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike McConnell". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Mike McConnell  
Chief of Police





## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	430
Number of CITATIONS	393
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	71
No Drivers License (3103)	43
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	42
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	30
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	24
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)	17
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	14
Drove Truck on Prohibited Street (0093)	12
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	12
Ran Stop Sign/Traffic Control Device/Yield Sign (3006)	11
Speeding School Zone (11 - 16) (3001SB)	10
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	9
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	8
Curfew (0038)	6
No License Plate Light (3274)	6
Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over) (3001SA)	5
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger (3031A)	5
Speeding (21-25 Miles Over) (3001C)	5
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	4
Expired Drivers License (3259)	4
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2100)	4
In City parks after hours 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. (0181)	4
Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn (3097)	3
Speeding School Zone 17 + Miles (3001SC)	3
Change Name/Mailing Address Later Than 30 Days (CDL) (3302)	3
Use Equipment Not Authorized (3628)	3

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## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Open Container (3323)	3
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	2
Use of Wireless Communication Device (0000H)	2
Consumption of Alcohol By Minor (3803)	2
Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle (3668)	2
Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change (3096)	2
D.O.C. Fighting with Another (1175)	2
Motorcycle Passenger without Approved Head Gear (3120)	2
Failed to Yield Right of Way (3005C)	1
Littering/Illegal Dumping (3358)	1
Defective Turn Signal Lamp(s) (3172)	1
Child (8-17) Not Secured by Safety Belt (3034)	1
Accident Involving Damage to Vehicle (3319)	1
Driving on Sidewalk or Hike and Bike Trail (3315)	1
Reckless /Damage or Destruction Over \$50.00 (1010A)	1
Fail to Control Speed (3050)	1
Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)	1
Drove without Lights (When Required) (3198)	1
Crossing Physical Barrier (3028)	1
Defective Exhaust Emission System (3229)	1
Improper Turn/Illegal Turn (3014)	1
Passing In a School Zone (3019)	1
No Seat Belt- Passenger (3033)	1
Assault (1100)	1
Equipment/Missing or None (3627)	1
Theft Under \$100.00 (1020)	1
<b>Number of WARNINGS</b>	<b>37</b>
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	7
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	6

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## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Violate DL Restriction (3106)	5
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	3
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	2
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	2
Change Name/Mailing Address Later Than 30 Days (CDL) (3302)	2
No License Plate Light (3274)	1
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	1
Drove without Lights (When Required) (3198)	1
Speeding School Zone (11 - 16) (3001SB)	1
Passing In a School Zone (3019)	1
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	1
Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change (3096)	1
Parked In a Handicapped Zone/Parking - \$86.00 (9000)	1
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	1
No Seat Belt - Driver (3032)	1

<b>Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Number of CITATIONS</b>	<b>9</b>
Parking/Stopping/Standing on a Sidewalk - \$46.00 (3556)	7
Parked In a Handicapped Zone/Parking - \$86.00 (9000)	1
Parked Facing Traffic - \$46.00 (3561)	1

HCPD Monthly Count  
Of Calls

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date: 6/1/2016 2:06:18 AM

Report Date From: 5/1/2016 00:00:00

Report Date To: 5/31/2016 23:59:59

Count of PD Calls: 1759

# CNTYFD Monthly Count Of Calls

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date: 6/1/2016 8:00:00 AM

Report Date From: 5/1/2016 0:00

Report Date To: 5/31/2016 23:59

Count of CNTYFD Calls: 1024

## Count of all Events

County Fire Dept Detailed	
CLFD	47
FAFD	75
HCFD	292
MVFD	129
SCFD	221
SEFD	107
WVFD	153