



# Horizon City Police Department

## Monthly Activity Report

Chief of Police, Michael G. McConnell, Ph.D.

December, 2014

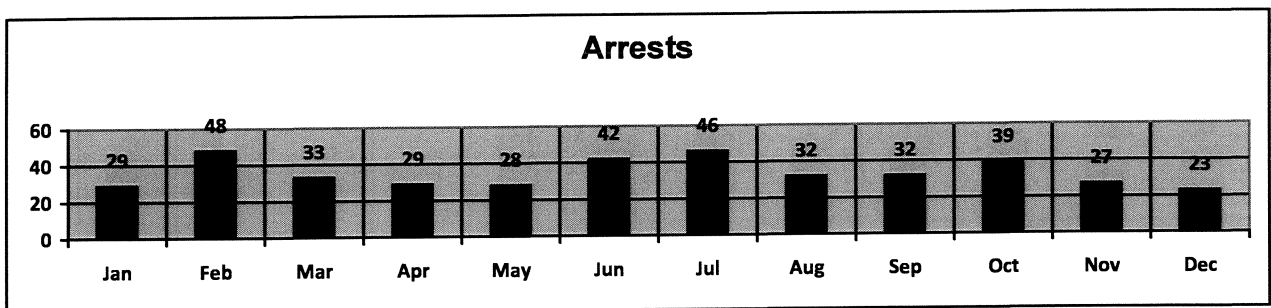
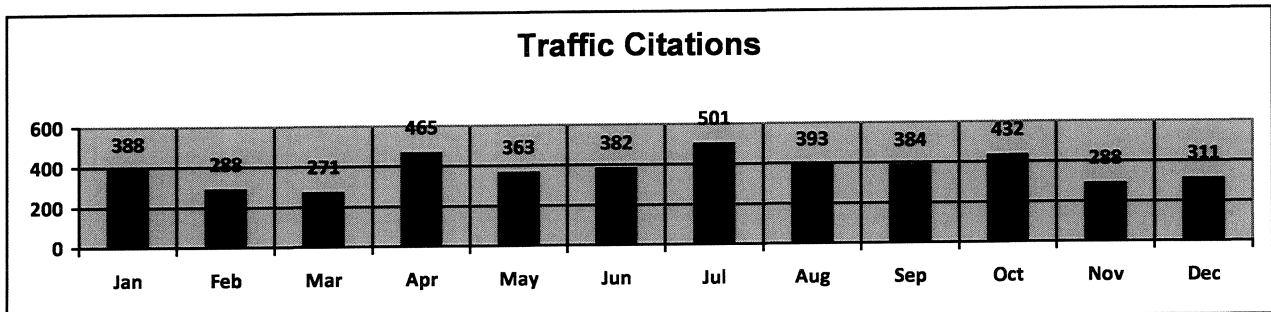
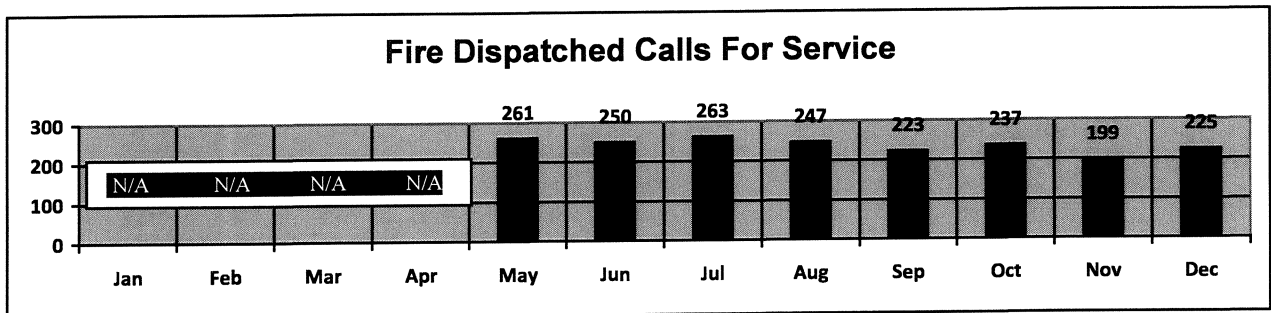
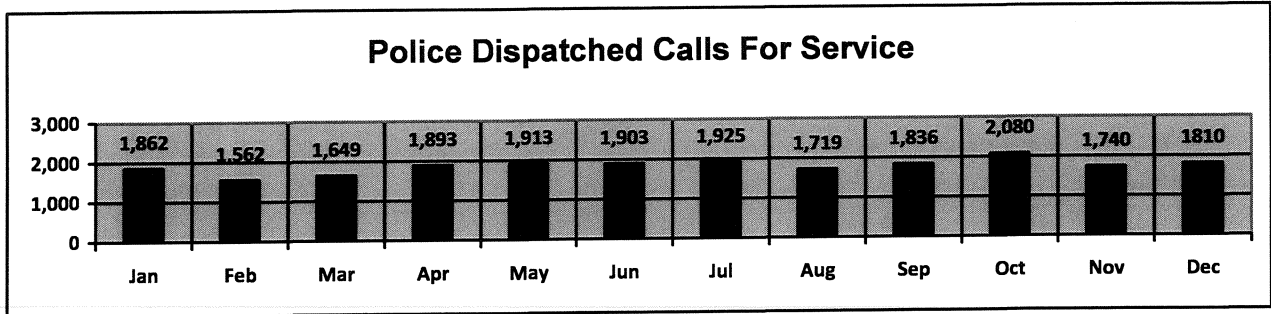
Description	Number	
	This Month	Last Month
Traffic Citations	311	288
Traffic Warnings	39	30
Parking Tickets (this is mostly code enforcement)	20	3
Investigations – Cases assigned	9	10
Investigations – Cases cleared	12	9
Investigations – Cases remaining open	12	12
Criminal Arrests	23	27
Total Schools Calls	16	29
Traffic accidents	13	23
Police Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,810	Year to date – 21,899
Fire Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	225	Year to date – 1,638

### Items of Interest

Chief McConnell attended the following meetings:

- Texas Indigent Defense Commission at the County Judge's office.
- Chief McConnell was honored to be a parade float judge for the annual Christmas parade.
- Attended the annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony.
- participated in an International Association of Chiefs of Police webinar concerning recent events.

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Communications Division

During the month of December our dispatchers attended a lot of training. Six of our nine dispatchers are now Emergency Medical Dispatcher (EMD) and Emergency Fire Dispatcher (EFD) certified through the International Academies of Emergency Dispatch. These six dispatchers went through 40 hours of extensive training and are now trained to offer CPR, first aid, and other primary response instructions to our callers by using the protocols they've been instructed on. This training makes our HCPD dispatchers the highest trained dispatchers in El Paso County. In addition to that, two of those dispatchers are also EMD-Q trained. These two dispatchers will perform quality assurance on medical/fire calls we handle.

All nine dispatchers attended 4 hours of training on the new 911 phone system our agency will be getting. The El Paso Police Department and the El Paso County Sheriff's Office are the two largest agencies already on this system. Our agency will be looking to come on line around April.

Crime Prevention – Community Outreach

**Community Policing**

The second Citizen's Police Academy came to a conclusion during the month of December. Instructors for the citizen's police academy have included a range of specialized personnel which include Ms. Jenny Moncivaiz, communications supervisor, Officer Anthony Arvizu, police officer and a member of our Specialized Traffic Investigations unit, and Detective Bruce Campbell. On December 22<sup>nd</sup>, the students of the academy celebrated their graduation with a luncheon sponsored by the Horizon City Police Explorers.



The HCPD produced a short Public Service Announcement video which outlines the issue of vehicle burglary during the busy holiday shopping season. The video is hosted on YouTube and the Horizon City PD website as well as on [facebook.com/horizoncitypd](https://www.facebook.com/horizoncitypd). The video remained on the website and social media throughout the month of December. In addition to the crime prevention video, the HCPD produced a recap of this year's Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Oz Glaze Senior Center which was also shared to social media.

On December 6, 2014 Horizon City residents once again headed out to Darrington and Horizon Blvd. to take in the annual Christmas parade. A recap of the video was made

available on the same night via social networks and received over 1,200 views during the course of the same weekend.

**Evidence**

Sergeant Mitre is in the process of producing a new evidence manual which will include an evidence submission preparation photographic guide. Local prosecutors have become increasingly stringent on the quality of packaging and evidence submission integrity. Having this manual will benefit the department by allowing officers to prepare their submissions properly which will potentially lead to a faster case disposition in court.

**POLICE EXPLORER Program**

The explorer program cadets have been attending the Citizen's Police Academy. The members are excited to hear the guest speakers and are also excited about working with the other members of the class.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

HCPD Website Improvements | Neighborhood Watch Development

**Criminal Investigations Division (CID)**

Officer Cameron Zeiger was assigned as TDY detective in the month of December. He joins Detective Medina, Detective Campbell and Detective Labrado as part of the Criminal Investigations Division.

Detective Campbell has been working with the El Paso County District Attorney's Office to start presenting cases electronically. The project has been in the works for the past several months and will be implemented as of January 1, 2015. The intent of the project is to streamline case presentation and improve the timeliness in getting cases pushed through the courts.

Detective Labrado continued his duties as a Warrants Officer. He served 11 subpoenas, attempted to locate 20 individuals with outstanding HCMC traffic warrants and executed 4 arrests for various traffic offenses.

Detectives responded to a burglary at the Benny's Pawn Shop on Horizon Blvd. Several items of jewelry were stolen from the store's display cases. Detectives processed the scene and were able to lift latent prints. Detectives received a hit off the prints as well as possible suspect information through EPPD Task Force. Investigation is still ongoing.

Cases received during the month of December were thefts, identity thefts, and unauthorized use of vehicle. Detective B. Campbell and Detective A. Labrado attended the JOIC and HIDTA meetings on a weekly basis.

Employee Training

**Law Enforcement Conference (24hrs):** Covered over 15 topics from Active Shooter to Terrorism, Family Violence, Child Abuse training. Training was completed by Sgt. J. Mitre, Sgt. M. Casillas and Sgt. A. Flores

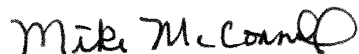
**Intenational Fugitive Conference (16hrs):** covered topics from border security issues to Provisional Arrest Warrants and Extradition Procedures. Training completed by Off. D. Ramirez and Off. A. Labrado

**F.E.M.A NIMS( 4hrs):** Training covers The National Incident Management System (NIMS) is a systematic, proactive approach to guide departments and agencies at all levels of government, nongovernmental organizations, and the private sector to work together seamlessly and manage incidents involving all threats and hazards—regardless of cause, size, location, or complexity—in order to reduce loss of life, property and harm to the environment. Approximately 4 officers participated in this training (100,200,700 and 800).

**CRIS C.R.A.S.H.( 4hrs):** Training covered new web based method of reporting CR-3's used by DPS. Officers that attended training were Chief McConnell, Asst. Chief M. Rico, Det. B. Campbell, Sgt. J. Mitre, Sgt. J. Ortega, Sgt. A Flores, Sgt. Casillas

**Total Hours for December 2014: 148 hours**

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell  
Chief of Police



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	350
Number of CITATIONS	311
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over)	85
No Drivers License	47
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER)	28
Fail to Maintian Financial Responsibility	25
Defective Stop Lamp(s)	14
Expired Motor Vehicle Inspection	12
Expired Registration/Plates	10
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws	10
Defective Head Lamps	9
Ran Stop Sign/Traffic Control Device/Yield Sign	9
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name	8
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	5
Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn	4
Ran Red Light	3
No License Plate Light	3
Failed to Yield ROW at Open Intersection	3
Assault	3
Change Name/Mailing Address Later Than 30 Days (CDL)	3
Defective Tail Lamp(s)	3
Fail to Display Drivers License	3
Improper Turn/Illegal Turn	2
No Seat Belt - Driver	2
Open Container	2
Expired Drivers License	2
Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change	2
In City parks after hours 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.	2

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## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Theft Under \$50.00	2
Turned Left from Wrong Lane	1
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger	1
Violate DL Restriction	1
Public Intoxication	1
Speeding School Zone (11 - 16)	1
Speeding School Zone 17 + Miles	1
Following Too Closely	1
Fail to Control Speed	1
Drive on a Non Truck Route	1
D.O.C. Obscene Language	1
<b>Number of WARNINGS</b>	<b>39</b>
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility	10
Defective Stop Lamp(s)	8
Defective Head Lamps	5
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER)	4
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over)	3
Expired Registration/Plates	3
Ran Stop Sign/Traffic Control Device/Yield Sign	1
Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn	1
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name	1
Improper Turn/Illegal Turn	1
Fail to Display Drivers License	1
Equipment/Missing or None	1

<b>Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Number of CITATIONS</b>	<b>20</b>
Parking/Stopping/Standing on a Sidewalk - \$46.00	6
Parking on Front or Side Yard- \$46.00 Not a moving Violation	4

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## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

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Parked Facing Traffic - \$46.00	3
Park/Stand in Front of Public/Private Drive - \$46.00	2
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$46.00	2
Parked on a Crosswalk - \$46.00	1
Parked In a Handicapped Zone/Parking - \$86.00	1
Parking/Standing w/i 15 Ft of Fire Hydrant - \$46.00	1