



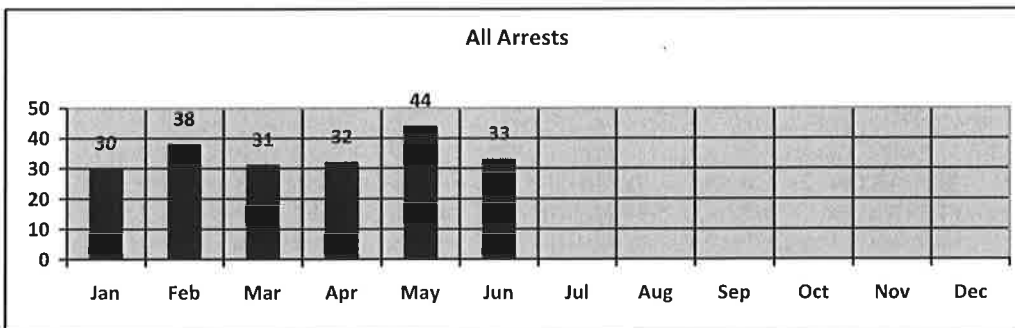
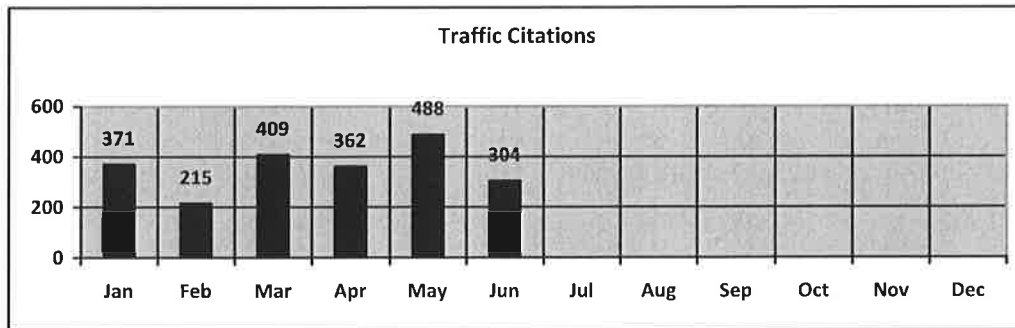
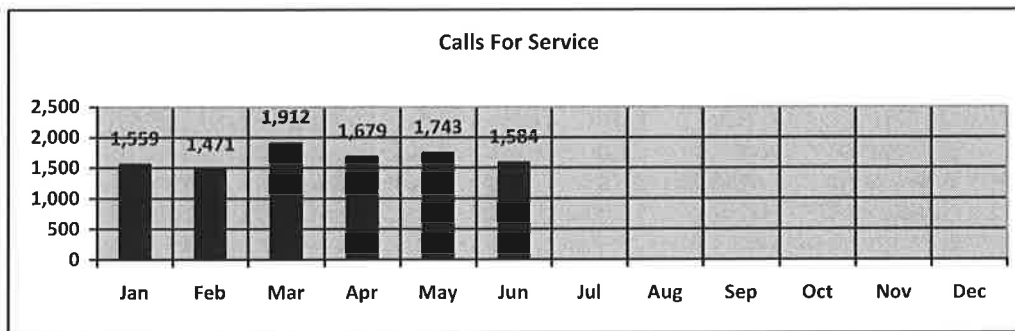
# Horizon City Police Department

Monthly Report

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

June, 2013

| Description                                       | Number |                      |
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| Traffic Citations                                 | 304    |                      |
| Traffic Warnings                                  | 27     |                      |
| Parking Tickets (this is mostly code enforcement) | 25     |                      |
| Investigations – Cases assigned                   | 16     |                      |
| Investigations – Cases cleared                    | 13     |                      |
| Investigations – Cases remaining open             | 26     |                      |
| Criminal Arrests                                  | 26     |                      |
| Municipal Court Arrests including Arrest Warrants | 7      |                      |
| Total Schools Calls                               | 9      |                      |
| Calls For Service                                 | 1,584  | Year to date – 9,953 |
| Traffic accidents                                 | 14     |                      |



Items of Interest

- Chief McConnell gave the keynote graduation speech for the 65<sup>th</sup> graduating class of the El Paso Community College Law Enforcement Training Academy.
- Chief McConnell attended a Rio Grande Council of Governments Planning Alliance meeting. The meeting is a required meeting for those agencies & entities desiring to receive state grant funding.
- Chief McConnell participated in the ongoing collective bargaining association meetings.
- We were able to receive funding assistance through the El Paso 911 District for several needed projects at the police department in connection with our dispatching function.
  - A new mini-split air conditioner/heater has been installed in the communications room. The cost for this unit was \$4,000. This was needed because the heat load in that room far exceeded our current cooling systems capacity.
  - A new portable air conditioner unit was purchased for the computer server room at a cost of \$600.00. Since moving into this building, the computer server room has not been cooled. Since adding more equipment generates more heat, a portable air conditioner was needed to keep the servers from failing due to overheating.

Both of these items are behind-the-scenes improvements that are needed to ensure our operation can continue in an efficient and effect manner.

Communications Division

During the month of June, all of the personnel of the communications division took the on-line FEMA IS-907 Active Shooter Training. The communications specialists also attended SFVIC training at the El Paso County Sheriff's Office. This training covered: the statistics, history and dynamics of family violence, stalking, and human trafficking. The training also provided special consideration on understanding victims & safety planning and protective orders, how 911 calls are used in prosecution of crimes, best practices, and Texas laws. Finally, our Communications Coordinator participated in a webinar provided by APCO regarding the lessons learned from the Sandy Hook Shooting.

Crime Prevention – Community Outreach Efforts

The Crime Prevention Officer continues to meet monthly with the West Texas Defensive Driving School to teach Teens in the Driver's Seat/Click it or Ticket program. These lessons include the effects of drinking and driving by using beer goggles borrowed from TXDOT to over twenty five students taking Drivers Education in Horizon City.

We recently upgraded our Internet website to make the user experience more intuitive, useful and friendly to our residents. We encourage you to look at the information that is available to residents. The website can be found at <http://www.horizoncitypd.com/>.

The Movies in the Park program has really begun with great enthusiasm. We are estimating attendance to be between 250-400 nightly. All of the movies have been sponsored by local businesses.

Warrants Division

Warrants officers assisted the Horizon Municipal court by serving 55 summonses. Fifty of them were executed and five were returned back to the court. Warrants officers made approximately 160 contacts either executing warrants or leaving red tags advising people that they had outstanding traffic warrants with the Horizon Municipal court.

During the month of June, warrants officers arrested 16 people, some of them were arrested during court proceedings. A spreadsheet was kept on the amount of warrants that are being cleared either by the warrants officers or patrol officers during traffic stops. This month total was \$13,744.00 of warrants that were cleared either by collecting the total bond or being booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility.

Warrants Officers assisted in three child safety seat inspections this month and will continue with the car seat education classes and car seat give away.

#### Criminal Investigations Division (CID)

Detectives received a case of Forgery. The suspect received a check and cashed it at a local bank. The same check was later cashed at another bank. A warrant was obtained and the suspect was arrested and booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility.

Detectives received a case alleging Injury to Child. The father picked up the child for his court ordered visitation. He observed what appeared to be bruises on the child. The child was taken to the hospital, statements were obtained, and an investigation ensued. The child was admitted into the hospital and examined by medical personnel. Discharge documents indicated the child did not have signs of trauma and the spots were in fact pigmented birthmarks. The case was closed due to no crime element present.

Detectives conducted a background checks for the position of reserve officer. The backgrounds consisted of making contact with previous employers, references, and neighbors to obtain information on applicants. The applicants met the requirements for reserve officer.

Detectives attended the JOIC and HIDTA meetings on a weekly basis.

Other cases received during the month of June were robbery, harassment, burglary of building, burglary of habitation, accident involving damage, injury to a child, theft of property, and credit card/debit card abuse.

Training

**Blackboard (8 hours):** This course is designed to give the students an access and understanding of the El Paso Sheriffs internet training system. Training components also included Sexual Harassment recognition, Ethics, and Communication.

Officers in Attendance: J. Rodriguez, J. Sierra, C. Zeiger

**SAVIC (24 hours):** This class is designed to review and further officer knowledge about sex crimes investigations, and prosecution.

Officers in attendance: J. Sierra

**Jetway (24 hours):** This course is designed to build upon asset forfeiture and seizure knowledge in various situations and environments.

Officers in attendance: L. Medina, P. Mitro

**Less Lethal Electronic Control (6 Hours):** This course teaches about less lethal control devices, use, legal implications, and deployment.

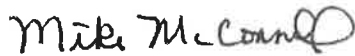
Officer in attendance: A. Orona

**Intermediate Spanish (24 Hours):** Required course for officers to build upon basic Spanish skills.

Officer in attendance: C. Zeiger

**Total June Training Hours: 110**

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell  
Chief of Police



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

| Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)                    | 331 |
|---|-----|
| Number of CITATIONS                                       | 304 |
| Speeding (11-20 Miles Over)                               | 51  |
| Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER)                                | 38  |
| No Drivers License  | 32  |
| Ran Stop Sign - Operator has view of approaching traffic. | 27  |
| Fail to Maintian Financial Responsibility                 | 19  |
| Defective Stop Lamp(s)                                    | 14  |
| Defective Head Lamps                                      | 10  |
| Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws | 10  |
| Expired Motor Vehicle Inspection                          | 10  |
| Fail to Maintain Financial Resp.                          | 9   |
| No Seat Belt - Driver                                     | 7   |
| Expired Registration/Plates                               | 6   |
| Ran Stop Sign - At a clearly marked stop line.            | 6   |
| Wrong or Obscured License Plate                           | 4   |
| Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn                          | 4   |
| Criminal Mischief/Class C                                 | 4   |
| Drive on a Non Truck Route                                | 3   |
| Fail to Display Drivers License                           | 3   |
| Fail to Properly Restrain a Dog                           | 3   |
| Expired Drivers License                                   | 3   |
| Violate DL Restriction                                    | 3   |
| Open Bed- Under 18 Years of Age                           | 2   |
| Open Container  | 2   |
| Passing In a School Zone                                  | 2   |
| Public Intoxication                                       | 2   |
| Defective Tail Lamp(s)                                    | 2   |



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Drove without Lights (When Required)                 | 2         |
| D.O.C. Abuse or Threaten (Offensive Manner)          | 2         |
| D.O.C. Fighting with Another                         | 2         |
| D.O.C. Unreasonable Noise                            | 1         |
| Curfew   | 1         |
| Careless Driving                                     | 1         |
| Change Name/Mailing Address Later Than 30 Days (CDL) | 1         |
| Changed Lane When Unsafe                             | 1         |
| Child (8-17) Not Secured by Safety Belt              | 1         |
| Failed to Signal Turn                                | 1         |
| Failed to Yield R.O.W. at Stop intersection          | 1         |
| Failed to Yield Right of Way                         | 1         |
| Failed to Yield Row (Private Drive/Alley/Building )  | 1         |
| Negligent Collision                                  | 1         |
| Fail to Control Speed                                | 1         |
| Ran Red Light  | 1         |
| Possession of Drug Paraphernalia                     | 1         |
| Restrictions on Windows \$36.90                      | 1         |
| Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle                   | 1         |
| Turned Across Drivding Section/Median                | 1         |
| Unsafe Backing                                       | 1         |
| Speeding (21-25 Miles Over)                          | 1         |
| Speeding (26 + Miles Over)                           | 1         |
| Speeding School Zone (11 - 16)                       | 1         |
| Speeding School Zone 17 + Miles                      | 1         |
| <b>Number of WARNINGS</b>                            | <b>27</b> |
| Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER)                           | 4         |
| Defective Stop Lamp(s)                               | 3         |
| Fail to Maintian Financial Responsibility            | 3         |



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Ran Stop Sign - Operator has view of approaching traffic. | 3 |
| Speeding (11-20 Miles Over)                               | 3 |
| Fail to Maintain Financial Resp.                          | 2 |
| Careless Driving  | 1 |
| Change Name/Mailing Address Later Than 30 Days (CDL)      | 1 |
| Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws | 1 |
| Defective Head Lamps                                      | 1 |
| No Seat Belt- Passenger                                   | 1 |
| Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name                     | 1 |
| Fail to Display Drivers License                           | 1 |
| Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle                        | 1 |
| Violate DL Restriction                                    | 1 |

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|---|-----------|
| <b>Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)</b>                 | <b>25</b> |
| <b>Number of CITATIONS</b>                                    | <b>25</b> |
| Parking on Front or Side Yard- \$20.00 Not a moving Violation | 9         |
| Parked In a Handicapped Zone/Parking - \$86.00                | 4         |
| Parking/Stopping/Standing on a Sidewalk - \$20.00             | 4         |
| Storing of Motor Vehicle - Unlicensed/Unregistered \$139.00   | 3         |
| Parking/Standing w/i 15 Ft of Fire Hydrant - \$20.00          | 2         |
| Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$20.00       | 1         |
| Parked Facing Traffic - \$20.00                               | 1         |
| Storing of Motor Vehicle - Dilapidated \$139.00               | 1         |