

Horizon City Police Department
Monthly Report
Chief of Police, Michael G. McConnell, Ph.D.



September 2011

Description	Number	
Traffic Citations	389	
Traffic Warnings	66	
Parking Tickets	110	
Investigations – Cases assigned	14	
Investigations – Cases cleared	17	
Investigations – Cases remaining open	6	
Code Enforcement Notices/Warnings	56	
Code Enforcement Summons	0	
Code Enforcement Signs Collected	18	
Code Enforcement Liens Placed	3	
Arrests	53	
Calls For Service	648	Year to date – 4,995
Traffic accidents	8	

Items of Interest

- Chief McConnell
 - ✓ Participated in two meetings at the E911 District facility regarding the compilation of county-wide communications equipment.
 - ✓ Obtained full funding (\$65,829) for a 100 kilowatt emergency generator. This generator will be large enough to fully energize both city hall and the police/courts building. This unit will have enough capacity to easily handle future growth as it is sized at about 33% of our current use. The 911 District is paying for this unit and has issued a PO already. The unit will be installed and operational by December 3, 2011 according to the vendor.
 - ✓ Provided traffic control for Ensor Middle School for a parade.
 - ✓ Attended an El Paso County Urban Planning Alliance Meeting at RIOCOG.
 - ✓ Attended a business meeting at the 911 District.

- Chief McConnell, A. Esparza, and A. Garcia interviewed 4 applicants for code enforcement officer. No suitable applicants were identified and we will advertise the position again on Monster.com or other suitable medium.
- The police department participated in the annual 911 remembrance ceremony.
- We concluded the Movies in the Park series for the year. For most movies, we averaged 400 attendees or more. There was a significant drop in attendance after Labor Day where there were around 200 attendees each night. We will await next year's movie selection guide from the movie vendor and then make the selection of movies.
- We received notice that we did not receive the COPS police officer position grant this year. Only five communities in Texas received funding. Due to the high demand and limited funding available, only 238 of the 2,712 requests were ultimately funded, which is only about 9% of the total number of agencies that submitted applications.

Dispatching

The Communications Section has implemented the Asyst program for bookkeeping purposes. Switching to this program has helped us save on both time and paper. We've also started using INCODE to check for HCMC warrants on subjects. Communications has taken over the record keeping of HCPD's Security Check program. Communications personnel create the calls for service, dispatch the officers, document the call cards, and keep the files showing the dates the residences were checked.

Warrants Division

Warrants officers assisted the Horizon Municipal court by serving 30 summonses. They were all executed and none were returned back to the court. Warrants officers made approximately 150 contacts either executing warrants or leaving red tags advising people that they had outstanding traffic warrants with the Horizon Municipal Court.

Dispatch has been a very effective tool to assist in locating wanted suspects. Several suspects were located during traffic stops and during operation Stone Garden. Approximately \$4,000 in warrants was cleared thanks to the assistance of having a dispatcher on evenings. Total revenue for the month of September was approximately \$28,000 ranging from red tags that were left from the warrants officers, arrestees that posted bonds and phone calls that were made by court staff. Warrants officers will coordinate several drivers' license checks during the month of October. A warrants round-up will be conducted the first week of November, 2011.

Code Enforcement Division

Code enforcements main focus this month was on all "parkway nuisances" in residential and commercial areas. Overgrown weeds and trash as well as parking violations were a daily priority.

Last month Code Enforcement worked on stored vehicles and enforcing the abatement of such nuisances and 20 vehicles were red tagged, voluntary compliance resulted in no vehicles being towed!

Additionally code enforcement also addressed code violations on:

- Illegal signs
- Construction permits
- Graffiti
- Alarms

Criminal Investigations Division (CID)

Detectives received information regarding an Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon involving two victims and one suspect. Detective Mitro met with one of the victims at a local hospital who had been stabbed with a knife and obtained a statement, description of the residence (unknown house numbers), description of suspect, and her first name. Further investigation revealed a name and possible address. Detective Medina along with patrol officers made contact with the homeowner of a possible address of occurrence. Officers were informed that the suspect was still inside the residence and placed the female suspect under arrest. The female was charged with two counts of Aggravated Assault with Deadly Weapon.

Detectives had been working on Theft by Deception for approximately four months where Angie Gomez was named as the suspect. Detectives received subpoenaed documents, provided a media release to local media and were contacted by Good Morning America, NBC News, Associated Press, among others. A live interview was granted to Telemundo Chanel 48.

Other cases received during the month were burglary of habitation, theft, credit card abuse, and Deceptive Business Practice.

Training this Month

Intermediate Traffic Investigations (40 hours)

- Campbell

Alcohol and Drug Awareness (2 hours)

- Casillas

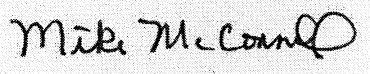
Human trafficking (4 hours)

- Labrado

Family Violence Issues via POSEIT (8 hours)

- Labrado

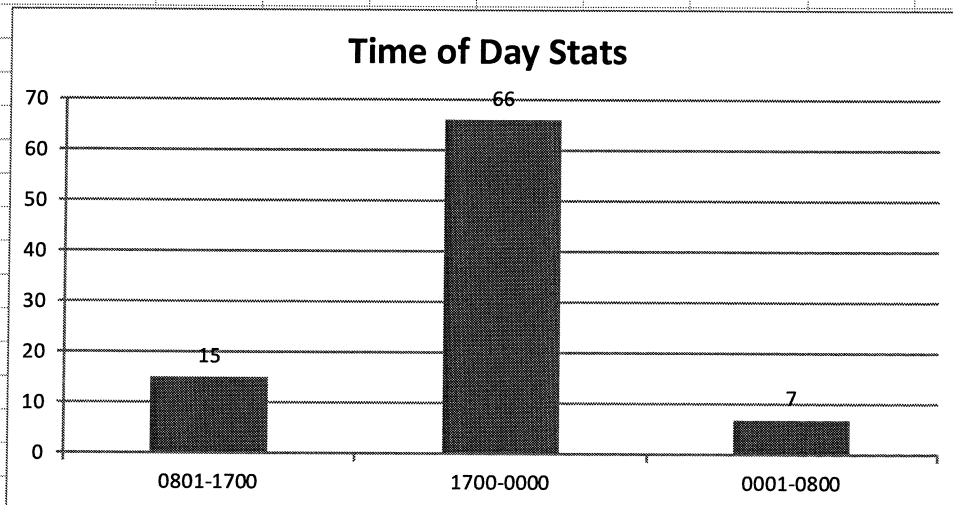
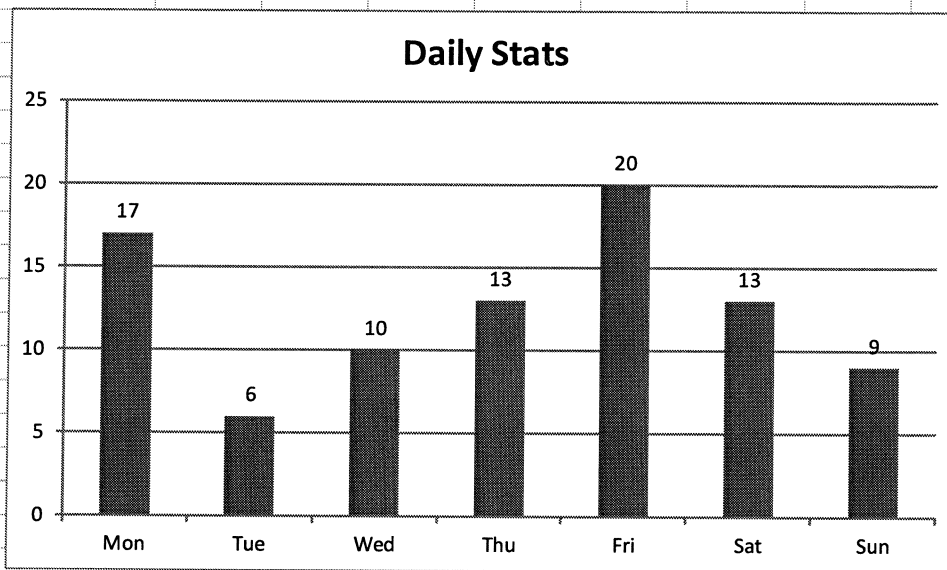
Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell
Chief of Police

Monthly Statistics Residents Coming to Front Door After Hours

	Month of:		August	09/01/2011 to 09/30/2011				
								Time of Day Stats
Daily Stats	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	
0801-1700	5	0	0	0	0	6	4	15
1700-0000	11	4	10	13	18	6	4	66
0001-0800	1	2	0	0	2	1	1	7
Total Contacts	17	6	10	13	20	13	9	88





Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	455
Number of CITATIONS	389
Speeding	133
No Drivers License	61
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility	57
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws	11
Expired Motor Vehicle Inspection	10
Passing In a School Zone	10
Ran Stop Sign - At a clearly marked stop line.	10
Expired Registration/Plates	7
Ran Red Light	6
Public Intoxication	5
Ran Stop Sign - Before entering the crosswalk on or near intersection.	4
Ran Stop Sign - Operator no view of approaching traffic.	4
No License Plate Light	4
Defective Head Lamps	4
D.O.C. Fighting with Another	4
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger	4
Speeding - 20 MPH School Zone (11- 20 Miles Over Limit)	4
Assault	3
Fail to Display Drivers License	3
No Seat Belt - Driver	3
In City parks after hours 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.	3
Open Container	2
Possession of Alcohol By Minor	2
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	2
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$20.00	2
Drive on a Non Truck Route	2



Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Curfew	2
Violate DL Restriction	2
Storing of Motor Vehicle - Unlicensed/Unregistered \$139.00	1
Turned Left from Wrong Lane	1
Use of Wireless Communication Device	1
Speeding - 20 MPH School Zone (1 - 10 Miles Over Limit)	1
Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over)	1
Speeding School Zone (11 - 16)	1
D.O. C. Urinating in a Public Place	1
Consumption of Alcohol By Minor	1
Defective Turn Signal Lamp(s)	1
Disruptive Behavior in Class	1
Drove On Wrong Side of Divided Road	1
Drove without Lights (When Required)	1
Expired Drivers License	1
Driving Under The Influence -Minor	1
Fail to Maintain Financial Resp.	1
Fail to Properly Restrain a Dog	1
Failed to Signal Turn	1
Failed to Stip for School Bus (Or Remain Stopped)	1
Failed to Yield Row (Private Drive/Alley/Building)	1
Failed to Yield Row Turning Left	1
Pass In a No Pass Zone	1
Possession of Fireworks	1
Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle	1
Littering/Illegal Dumping	1
Minor In Possession of Tobacco Products	1
Number of WARNINGS	66
Speeding	15



Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Fail to Maintian Financial Responsibility	8
Passing In a School Zone	7
No Drivers License	4
Defective Head Lamps	4
Defective Stop Lamp(s)	3
Expired Registration/Plates	3
No License Plate Light	3
Open Container	2
Fail to Display Drivers License	2
Speeding - 20 MPH School Zone (11- 20 Miles Over Limit)	2
Ran Red Light	2
Speeding School Zone (11 - 16)	2
Defective Tail Lamp(s)	1
Defective Turn Signal Lamp(s)	1
Expired Motor Vehicle Inspection	1
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name	1
Fail to Yield Row to Vehicle Entering From Highway	1
Failed to Signal Turn	1
Pass In a No Pass Zone	1
Ran Stop Sign - Operator no view of approaching traffic.	1
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate	1

Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)	110
Number of CITATIONS	109
Parked Facing Traffic - \$20.00	36
Parking on a Landscaped Area - \$20.00 Not a moving Violation	26
Storing of Motor Vehicle - Unlicensed/Unregistered \$139.00	24
Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$20.00	8



Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Parking/Stopping/Standing on a Sidewalk - \$20.00	5
Park/Stand in Front of Public/Private Drive - \$20.00	2
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$20.00	2
Storing of Motor Vehicle - Abandoned \$139.00	2
Storing of Motor Vehicle - Inoperative \$139.00	2
Parking/Standing w/i 15 Ft of Fire Hydrant - \$20.00	1
Parked In a Handicapped Zone/Parking - \$112.00	1
Number of WARNINGS	1
Parked In a Handicapped Zone/Parking - \$112.00	1

Number of NON-TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	14
Number of CITATIONS	14
In City parks after hours 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.	3
Curfew	2
D.O.C. Fighting with Another	1
D.O.C. Obscene Language	1
Fail to Properly Restrain a Dog	1
Possession of Alcohol By Minor	1
Public Intoxication	1
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	1
Assault	1
Minor In Possession of Tobacco Products	1
Open Container	1