



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



**September 2018**

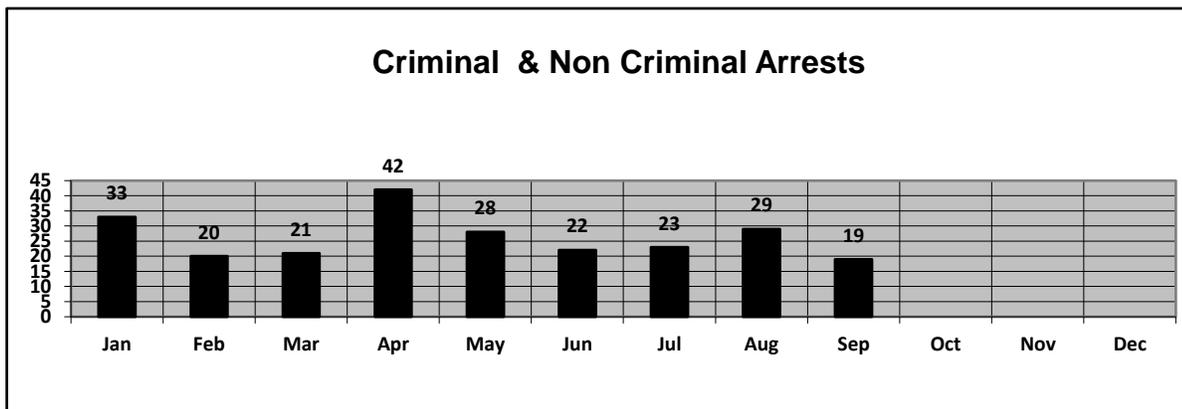
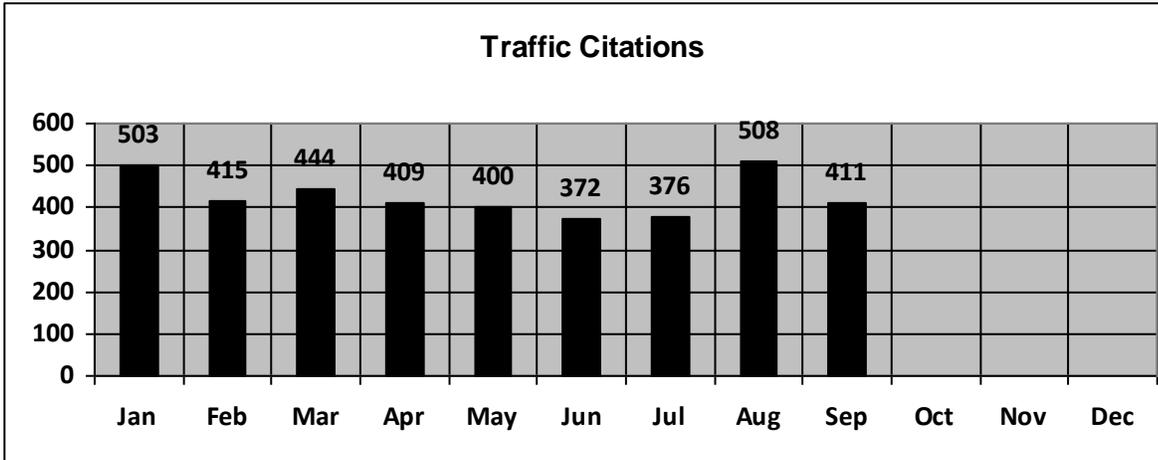
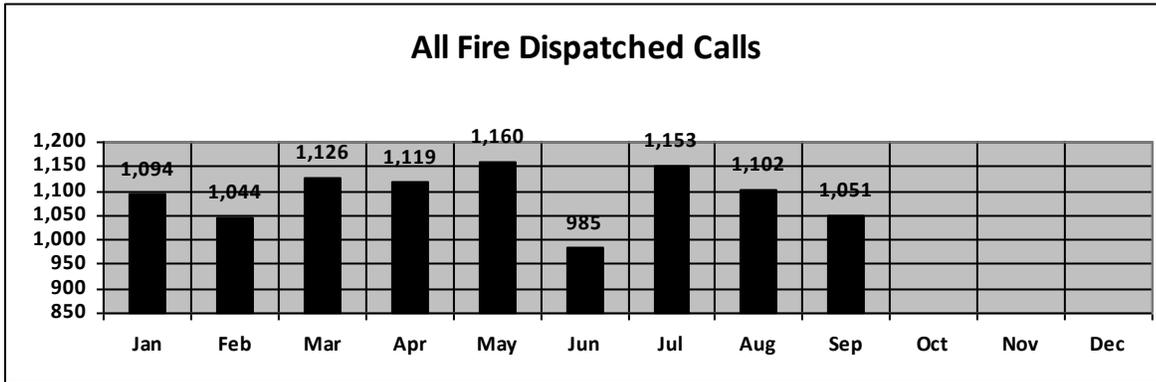
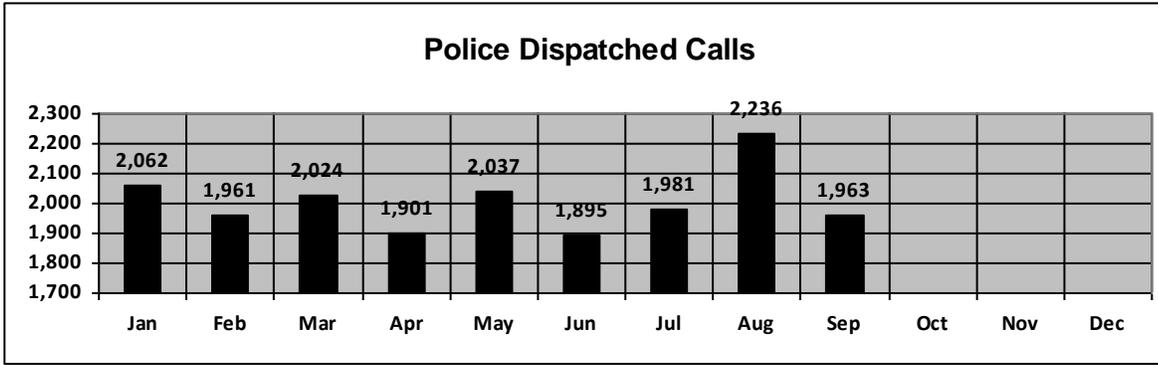
Description	Number	
	This Month	Last Month
Traffic Citations	411	508
Traffic Warnings	38	59
Parking Tickets	33	21
Investigations – Cases assigned	18	11
Investigations – Cases cleared	15	7
Investigations – Cases remaining open	8	11
Criminal & Non-Criminal Arrests	19	29
Traffic accidents	39	26
Police Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,963	Year to date – 18,060
Fire Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,051	Year to date – 9,844

**ITEMS OF INTEREST**

- Chief McConnell attended the regular El Paso County 911 District Board of Managers meeting. Chief McConnell currently serves as the board president.
- With the assistance of other department directors, interviews were held for an I.T. technician. Josue Mendoza was hired and is the new I.T. technician. The department is happy to have him as part of the team.
- Helped facilitate the interview process for the I.T. Support Specialist position.
- Chief McConnell attended a meeting concerning the city comprehensive plan.
- Chief McConnell met with Horizon High School officials concerning the annual homecoming parade. The parade route has changed this year to include more space for floats and spectators. The parade is scheduled for October 17 beginning at 5 pm. The route will begin at Frank Macias Elementary School, then left on Golden Eagle, then right on Duanesburg, then right on S. Kenazo then right on McMahan Ave. driving past Carol T. Welch Elementary. Then turning left on Crocker. Then right on Horizon Blvd. and concluding in the Horizon High School parking lot.



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### COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

#### *Together as One*

The communications manager, morning shift supervisor, and Lieutenant Flores conducted interviews for a communications specialist position.

Horizon, Clint and Socorro Fire Departments responded to a gas leak in Horizon City. A tractor hit a gas line while digging. The Horizon City Police Department assisted by blocking off an intersection and keeping the residents safe. The Texas Gas Company arrived approximately thirty minutes later and was able to plug the line. No injuries were reported.

The West Valley Fire Department responded to a motor vehicle accident versus pedestrian. Upon arrival, the West Valley Fire Department units attempted to provide patient care along with Life Ambulance. Native Air was requested and was canceled because the patient was pronounced dead on scene.

The Montana Vista Fire Department responded to a gas leak in the area of Oshea. Upon arrival, the Montana Vista Fire Department units found that construction was under way in the area and a backhoe had backed up onto a gas meter. The gas was actively blowing. The gas leak was stopped by the fire department. The scene was turned over to Texas Gas. No injuries were reported.

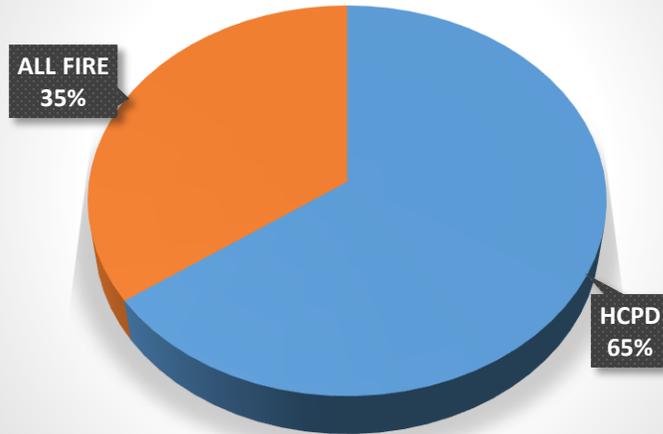
Two communications specialists certified as Emergency Fire Dispatchers. Horizon, Clint, and Socorro Fire Departments responded to a structure fire in Horizon City. The first unit to arrive on scene reported nothing was showing. Horizon Fire cancelled the additional fire departments responding and handled the investigation. After investigating, the Horizon Fire Department determined an extension cord overheated. No damages or fire were reported.

Socorro, Clint, and Horizon Fire Departments were responded to a commercial structure fire in Socorro. The Socorro Fire Department advised to have visual of smoke coming from the back of the building. Entry was made by the fire department to investigate the source of the fire. No damages were reported. Upon investigation, it was determined the source of the smoke was due to a stove that was left on by employees. The scene was turned over to a Fire Marshal and the Socorro Police Department to complete the investigation.

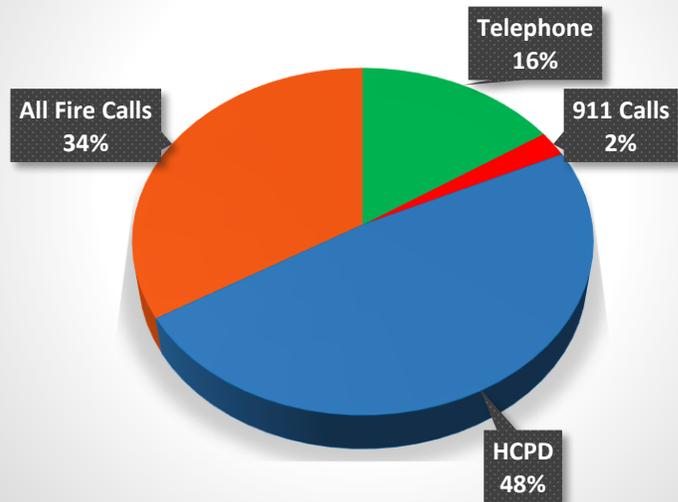
The third shift supervisor attended the Emergency Services District #1 Commissioner meeting to provide the communications monthly report.

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## CAD Call Numbers Assigned



## Radio/Phone Traffic Voice Recordings Compared by Activity



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### WARRANTS DIVISION & FLEET OPERATIONS

For the month of September, the Warrants Officer did not receive summons for service. During the month of August, thirteen people were arrested for traffic warrants. Collections were made on traffic warrants. The people who were unable to post bond were booked into the El Paso County Jail. The Warrants Officer reviewed five Child Protective Services cases. The cases were reviewed and closed, or filed with the corresponding case due to allegations of neglect. The Warrants Officer took three vehicles to the shop for oil changes and repairs. Bailiff duties were conducted during court proceedings.

### CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS/EVIDENCE

During the month of September, Detective Nunez and Detective Labrado investigated cases ranging from Identity Theft to Assault. Several cases of medical related unattended deaths were investigated. A sexual assault case was also handled by the detectives. The case was completed and submitted to the DA's Office for prosecution. The detectives attended a one day training on Sexual Assault given by the Texas Association Sexual Assault Institute. Lieutenant Ortega attended monthly meetings with the JOIC, STARS, Gang, and SHOCAP.

### FORENSICS UNIT

The evidence technician conducted ten open record requests for video from the officer's body cameras. The District Attorney's Office submitted five video requests ranging from DWI to assaults. Twelve items of evidence were submitted to the Texas Department of Public Safety for drug analysis. The forensics technician also assisted in processing ten fingerprints.

### CRIME PREVENTION ACTIVITIES

#### Community Activities

*Grandparent's Day Elder Health Awareness Fair-* On September 9, 2018, Sergeant Mitre along with four Horizon City Police Department Explorers attended an event which had been organized to raise awareness for the health needs of the elder members of our community. The event took place on Grandparent's Day. Explorers assisted many of the elder attendees with menial tasks such as carrying items and helping conduct small errands during the event.

*September 11<sup>th</sup> Ceremony-* On September 11, 2018, the Horizon City Fire Department graciously hosted a small ceremony held in honor of those who lost their lives and assisted in rescue efforts during the horrific events which occurred seventeen years ago.

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*Career Day AVID Presentation-* On September 21, 2018 Sergeant Mitre was invited to present students with information on careers at the Horizon City Police Department. Sergeant Mitre presented students with recruitment requirements as well as educational backgrounds and recollections of incidents which happened throughout his career.

*School Breakfast/ Lunch With a Cop-* Officer Archer participated in a new program initiated by the Clint Independent School District in which an officer may attend any of various campuses during breakfast or lunch time. Officer Archer used this time to meet with students and answer questions and participate in conversation. The purpose of the program is to strengthen the partnership between our community and our agency. The school campuses were Carrol T Welch Elementary School, Ricardo Estrada Junior High School, and Horizon Middle School.

### **Coffee with A Cop**

The Coffee with a Cop event took place on September 4, 2018 at Whataburger. During the event, Sergeant Mitre met with various members of the community who stopped by the event to visit and converse about national news and local activities. Sergeant Mitre met with several business owners who expressed interest in supporting the upcoming National Night Out event to be held on October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **Explorer Program**

Enrollment and participants of the Explorer Program remained stable throughout the month of August with approximately 14 members in the Junior Explorer group and 8 members in the primary program. The junior explorers are children who are enrolled in 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Other members are 13 – 21 years of age and attend high school, early college programs, or college and university programs.

Activities for the month of September included regularly scheduled weekly meetings on Wednesdays from 6pm - 8pm as well as participation in community activities.

September 5- Weekly Meeting, History of Policing

September 12- Weekly Meeting, Scenario Based Training

September 19- Assist SISD PD with Eastlake HS Parade

September 26- Weekly Meeting, Plan for Law Enforcement Exploring Competition

### **New HCPD Website**

A new official website is under construction. The website will reflect the vision and community relations strategy. The design of the website also mirrors the new look of our police vehicles and solidifies a cohesive brand for the Horizon City Police Department.

### **National Night Out Planning**

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods

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safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. We will be celebrating with family activities, food, music, performance and giveaways for the public. The event will take place at Corcoran Park from 5pm – 9pm on October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### Important Upcoming Events

*Planning and coordinating of the following events has been taking place (for events which take place in October):*

National Night Out (Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Coffee With a Cop (Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> – National Coffee With A Cop Day)

Halloween Night Activities (Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>)

## EMPLOYEE TRAINING

**Accreditation for (16 hours):** Training covers a review of the Horizon City Policies and Procedures along with the high interest topics police department should address. Attended by J. Rodriguez, Campbell, H. Sierra, Avitia, and Tucker.

**Defensive Tactics (8 hours):** Course takes officers through the ASP training program. A complete integrated training system for expandable batons, restraints and lights. Officers will demonstrate proper use and application of defensive tactic techniques through a skills assessment portion using a REDMAN suit. Attended by J. Rodriguez, Campbell, H. Sierra, Tucker, Avitia, Rosas, and Chavez.

**Firearms (8 hours):** Course covered familiarity and safety of firearms. Officers conducted several drills along with qualifications. Attended by J. Rodriguez, Campbell, Avitia, Rosas, JC Rodriguez, B. Sierra, and Archer.

**Sexual assault (8 hours):** Course will present information on the neurobiology of the brain and trauma, working with sexual assault survivors in crisis, and understanding the prevalence of sexual assault in your local community. Attended by Labrado, Nunez, Ortega, Greseth, and J. Rodriguez

***Total Training hours for the month: 232 hours***

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell  
Chief of Police



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	449
Number of CITATIONS	411
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	93
No Drivers License (3103)	51
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	34
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	30
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	28
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)	18
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	17
Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)	11
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	8
Fail to Control Speed (3050)	7
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2100)	6
Speeding (26 + Miles Over) (3001D)	5
Following Too Closely (3017)	5
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	5
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	5
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	4
Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060)	4
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	4
Speeding (21-25 Miles Over) (3001C)	4
Expired Paper Dealer Plate (0000I)	4
Expired Drivers License (3259)	4
Cut Across Driveway/Private Property to Make Turn (3081)	4
Curfew (0038)	4
No License Plate Light (3274)	3
Failed to Yield R.O.W. at Stop intersection (3005D)	3
Turned Left from Wrong Lane (3011)	3

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Fail to Yield Row Changing Lanes (3288)	3
Defective Head Lamp (Motorcycle) (3162)	2
Disregard Crossing Guard (3121A)	2
Failed to Pass to Right Safely/Improper Passing (3022)	2
Drove without Lights (When Required) (3198)	2
Fail to Yield Row From Private Property (3005)	2
Fail to Stop-Designated Point/Crosswalk (3060)	2
Failed to Yield ROW Turning Left (3055)	2
Unrestrained Child Younger than 8 or Under 57 Inches (3030)	2
Public Intoxication (1220)	1
Motorcycle Passenger without Approved Head Gear (3120)	1
Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over) (3001SA)	1
Disregarded Warning Sign at Constrction (3065)	1
Drove On Wrong Side of Divided Road (3088)	1
Failed to Yield ROW (Private Drive/Alley/Building ) (3056)	1
Reckless or Careless Operation Prohibited of an ATV on Public Property (0000A)	1
No Safety Equipment While Riding ATV (0000D)	1
Fail to Properly Restrain a Dog (0088)	1
Speeding School Zone 17 + Miles (3001SC)	1
Speeding School Zone (11 - 16) (3001SB)	1
Negligent Collision (3312)	1
Parked In a Handicapped Zone/Parking - \$86.00 (9000)	1
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$46.00 (3553)	1
Ran Red Light (3007)	1
Operation of Vehicle by New State Resident (0001)	1
Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn (3097)	1
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	1
Turned When Unsafe (3080)	1
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger (3031A)	1

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## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Collide with Pedestrian on Roadway (3313)	1
Failed to Yield Right of Way (3005C)	1
Improper Turn/Illegal Turn (3014)	1
Failed to Yield at Yield Intersection (3053)	1
Failed to Stop at Proper Place (Traffic Light) (3063)	1
Disregard Police Officer (3121)	1
Accident Involving Damage to Vehicle (3319)	1
Littering/Illegal Dumping (3358)	1
<b>Number of WARNINGS</b>	<b>38</b>
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	8
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	8
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	6
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	3
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	2
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	1
Drove On Wrong Side of Divided Road (3088)	1
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	1
Expired Paper Dealer Plate (0000I)	1
Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change (3096)	1
No Motor Cycle Endorsement (3112)	1
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	1
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	1
No Drivers License (3103)	1
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	1
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	1

<b>Number of FIELD INTERVIEW Offenses (for *ALL*)</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Number of FIELD INTERVIEWS</b>	<b>5</b>

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<b>Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>Number of WARNINGS</b>	<b>5</b>
Parked Facing Traffic - \$46.00 (3561)	2
Parked w/ Wheels Over 18 In From Curb/Edge of Rdwy - \$46.00 (3564)	1
Stopping/Standing on Parking Prohibited Area (3556)	1
Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$46.00 (0093B)	1
<b>Number of CITATIONS</b>	<b>33</b>
Parked Facing Traffic - \$46.00 (3561)	18
Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$46.00 (0093B)	7
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$46.00 (3553)	3
Park/Stand w/i 20 Ft of Crosswalk at Intersection - \$46.00 (3570)	1
Park/Stand w/ 30 Ft of A Traffic Control Device - \$46.00 (3572)	1
Parking/Standing w/i 15 Ft of Fire Hydrant - \$46.00 (3569)	1
Parked In a Handicapped Zone/Parking - \$86.00 (9000)	1
Parked w/ Wheels Over 18 In From Curb/Edge of Rdwy - \$46.00 (3564)	1

# HCPD Monthly Count Of Calls

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date: 10/1/2018 2:01:10 AM

Report Date From: 9/1/2018 00:00:00

Report Date To:  
9/30/2018 23:59:59

Count of PD Calls:	1963
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Count of MVA Events:	39
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# CNTYFD Monthly Count Of Calls

Report Date: 9/5/2018 12:00:00 AM  
Report Date From: 9/1/2018 0:00  
Report Date To: 9/30/2018 23:59

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Count of CNTYFD Calls: 1051

## Count of all Events

County Fire Dept Detailed	
CLFD	50
FAFD	84
HCFD	314
MVFD	87
SCFD	255
SEFD	133
WVFD	128