

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



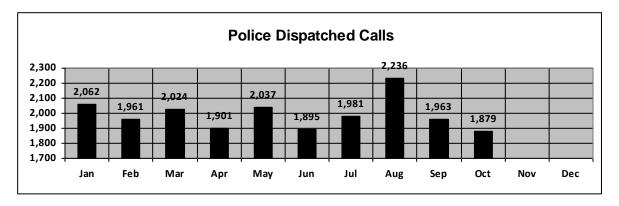
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	This M	1onth	Last Month
Traffic Citations	31	0	411
Traffic Warnings	59	9	38
Parking Tickets	20	)	33
Investigations – Cases assigned	20 18		18
Investigations – Cases cleared	14	14 15	
Investigations – Cases remaining open	8		8
Criminal & Non-Criminal Arrests	22		
Traffic accidents	36 39		39
Police Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,879	1,879 Year to date -19,939	
Fire Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,099		

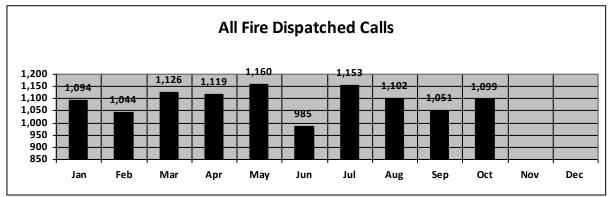
#### October 2018

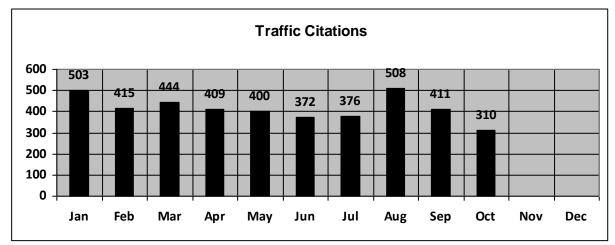
# **ITEMS OF INTEREST**

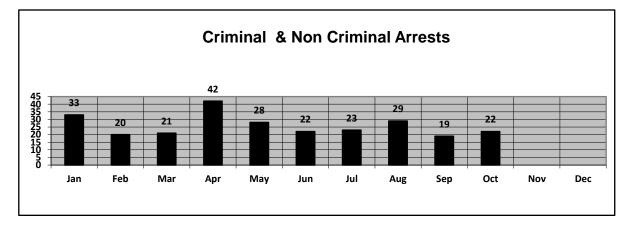
- The department provided traffic control for the Horizon High School homecoming parade. The route was modified this year to accommodate the increased size of the parade.
- Chief McConnell attended the El Paso OEM Emergency Operations Center Law Enforcement policy (Annex G) review session. Every five years, a selected number of the annexes from the county emergency operations basic plan become due for an update and are reviewed by the state. The policies were reviewed and updated.
- The police association conducted a fun event for Halloween by purchasing 150 free Happy Meals from McDonald's for children showing up at McDonald's in a Halloween costume. Upon seeing the how well the event was attended, the police chief and several other officers opened their wallets to help cover the cost of providing 325 Happy Meals.













#### COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION Together as One

Montanan Vista, Horizon, Clint and the Socorro Fire Departments responded to a structure fire involving a medium size warehouse. Additional staffing was requested upon the first departments' arrival. The fire was extinguished approximately two hours later with no injuries reported. The scene was turned over to the Fire Marshals for further investigation.

Horizon, Socorro and the Clint Fire Departments responded

to a structure fire reported behind the Petro Iron Skillet. The Socorro and Tribal Police Department along with the Texas Department of Transportation arrived on scene to assist with traffic control. The El Paso Electric Company and Texas Gas service responded to the incident. The fire was extinguished approximately 45 minutes later. The scene was turned over to the fire marshal.

Clint, San Elizario, and the Fabens Fire Departments responded to a structure fire in Fabens. Prior to the arrival of the fire department, the homeowner attempted to put the fire out by using a garden hose. Once on scene, the fire department found smoke coming from inside the residence. The home was ventilated and turned over to the homeowner.

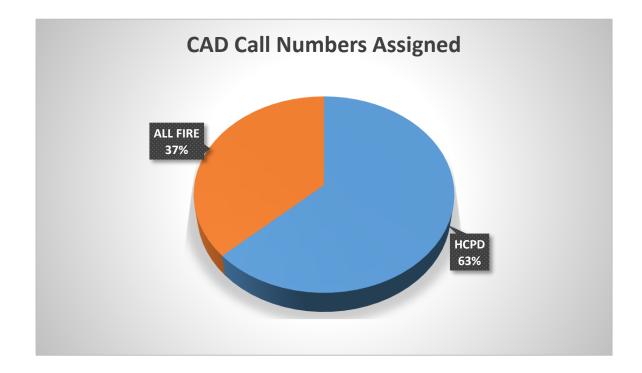
Clint, Fabens, Horizon, San Elizario, and the Socorro Fire Departments responded to a mobile home on fire in San Elizario. Upon arrival, units found flames coming from the underside of the mobile home. Upon investigation, the fire department units found the source of the fire in a rear room of the home. No one was in the home at the time of the fire, and therefore no injuries were reported.

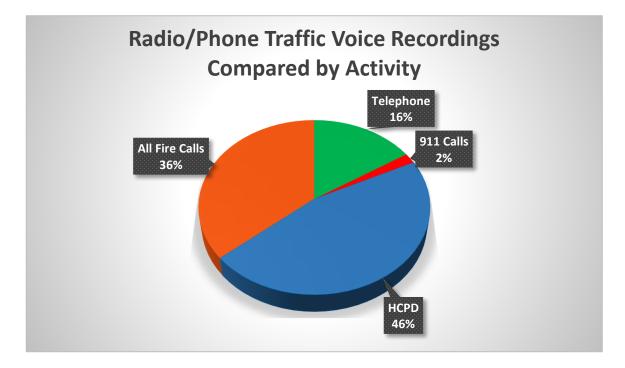
The West Valley Fire Department responded to an assistance request concerning a lighting striking either a tree or an electrical pole. Upon arrival, the fire department found an electricity outage in the area, and an electricity pole was sparking. The scene was turned over to the El Paso Electric Company.

The Montana Vista Fire Department responded to a structure fire in the Montana Vista area. The Montana Vista Fire Department arrived on scene and had no visual on smoke or flames. The homeowner was advised to contact an electrician, and the utilities were shut off. After a complete investigation, the Montana Vista Fire Department reported that a living room outlet overheated the wires and caused it to smoke. The fire department cleared the call within 30 minutes and reported there was minimal damage to the mobile home.

The Horizon Fire Department responded to a water leak inside a residence. Upon arrival, the fire department advised there was visible water damage. The water was shut off, and the homeowner was advised to contact the insurance company due to major water damage. The fire department assisted the homeowner with clean-up. The Hudspeth County requested mutual aid from the Montana Vista Fire Department at mile

marker 17 in reference to a fully engulfed semi-truck. The fire was extinguished in approximately 13 minutes.





## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

From the 52 support tickets that were submitted, 49 were completed and closed including four major projects. The remaining three tickets are pending because of issues needing to be further investigated and resolved. These issues are related to the Laserfiche Snapshot printer and the Laserfiche server shutting down after hours. The major projects included:

- WatchGuard domain migration
- Laserfiche installation
- Installation of two cameras in dispatch
- Two Cat6 cable drops
- Installing the Laserfiche program on select computers
- Configured and installed five new GETAC mobile data computers in the police cars

In addition to the major projects above, IT staff responded to a variety of tech support requests throughout the month.

# WARRANTS DIVISION & FLEET OPERATIONS

The warrants officer received 36 summons for service. All summons were served. Twelve people were arrested for traffic warrants. Collections were made on some outstanding traffic warrants. The people who were unable to post bond were booked into the El Paso County Jail. The warrants officer reviewed four 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 six vehicles to the shop for oil changes and repairs. Bailiff duties were conducted during court proceedings.

#### CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS/EVIDENCE

Detectives Nunez and Labrado investigated cases for identity theft, deceptive business practices and injury to a child. The detectives were called out five times regarding several unattended death calls. All the unattended death cases were investigated and all were medically related. The detectives were called out to handle a sexual assault case. The sexual assault case was completed and submitted to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution. Lieutenant Ortega attended a Border Patrol meeting and assisted the University Hospital with several car seat inspections.

#### FORENSICS UNIT

The evidence technician conducted eleven open records requests for video from the officer's body cameras. The District Attorney's Office submitted six video requests for cases ranging from DWI to assaults. Fourteen items of evidence were submitted to the Texas Department of Public Safety for drug analysis. The Forensics Technician assisted in processing five fingerprints.

# **CRIME PREVENTION ACTIVITIES**

#### **Community Activities**

*Pumpkin Patch Festival-* October 3, 2018 Sergeant Mitre attended the event which was held at the Oz Glaze Senior Center. Sergeant Mitre provided families with child fingerprint activity booklets, badge stickers and provided guidance on using the TIP411 system which allows a person to submit a crime tip while remaining completely anonymous.

*Horizon Tigers Goody Bags* October 11, 2018 Children from the Horizon City Tigers little league football team presented officers with personalized goodie bags. The children did this campaign as part of their giving back to the community initiative. Thank you Horizon Tigers!

*Community Night at Horizon High*, October 23, 2018 Sergeant Mitre accompanied by several members of the Horizon City Police Department Explorers attended this event which was a ribbon cutting, followed by a small community fair. The Clint Independent School District personnel conducted presentations and hosted performance by dance teams from within and without the school system. The Horizon City Police Department displayed our contraband and weapons box which contains different types of decommissioned evidence seized a decade ago. Attendees had an opportunity to gaze upon the assortment of crime tools.

*Red Ribbon Week Presentation* Horizon Middle School October 26, 2018 Sergeant Mitre conducted presentations for grades 6, 7, and 8<sup>th</sup>. Sergeant Mitre presented drug abuse awareness material from the D.A.R.E. Community Presentation curriculum.

*DEA Prescription Drug Take-Back event*, October 27, 2018 The Horizon City Police Department hosted the DEA Take Back event as part of an ongoing partnership with the Drug Enforcement Agency. The event is held so that people, without questions asked, can have an opportunity to simply discard used or expired medication right in our lobby. DEA agents have a lockbox and don't conduct inventory of the medication being discarded.

*Trunk or Treat- Pete Duarte Head* Start – October 30, 2018 Sergeant Mitre attended this special event held by the Pete Duarte Head Start. Children who attend the head start were guided through various stations with an adult getting treats from the treat trunks at each station. The Horizon City Police Department and the Explorer Program were able to provide nearly 450 pieces of candy for the children.

Happy Meal Halloween Activity – October 31, 2018 Detective Labrado, The Horizon City Police Department Explorers, Chief McConnell, Detective Nuñez, and the Horizon City Police Association came together to provide over 325 happy meals! The event was promoted on Facebook and was a success! Sergeant Mitre provided Halloween Tips to parents.

Halloween Night at FBC Fall Festival- October 31, 2018 Members of the Police Department participated in the First Baptist Church of Horizon City 2018 Fall Festival. Officers distributed over 1,000 glow sticks at the festival and throughout different areas in the city. The Police Explorers sponsored over 3,000 pieces of candy for trick or treaters.

## **Coffee With A Cop**

The Coffee With a Cop event took place on October 3, 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 goings-on. Sergeant Mitre provided safety tips on the upcoming Halloween activities which will be taking place at the end of the month.

#### **Explorer Program**

Enrollment and participants of the Explorer Program remained stable throughout the month with approximately 14 members in the Junior Explorer group and eight members in the primary program. The junior explorers are children who are enrolled in  $6^{th} - 8^{th}$  grades. Other members are 13 - 21 years of age and attend high school, early college programs, or college and university programs.

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

October 3- No Meeting October 10- Training for Competition October 17- Assist with HHS homecoming parade October 31- No Meeting, Participate in Halloween night activity

On October 12<sup>th</sup>, our explorers, represented by a team of 4 members, participated in an explorer skills competition. Our team went against approximately 20 other teams in a battle of scored practical exercises (simulation) and activities.

The team consisted of: Advisor: Officer J. Crespo

Team Members: Leonardo Melendez Alexander Barber Jason Gutierrez Dylan Gavaldon

#### New HCPD Website

A new official website has launched.

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#### National Night Out Event

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

National Night Out was celebrated on October 2, 2018. Nearly 48 vendors and exhibitors attended the event. There were multiple dance teams who performed for our community. There were many large inflatable activities and obstacle courses which presented many children with a fantastic time.

Many of the presenters provided some amazing door prizes such as TV's, bikes, and even an XBOX One!

In addition to the exhibition booths, there were a slew of local agencies on hand to answer questions from the public,

County Constables/ El Paso Sheriff's Office/ EPCC Police/ DEA/ US Customs/ DPS Air Support/ Native Air Medivac/ and The Horizon City Fire Department

#### Important Upcoming Events

Planning and coordinating of the following events have been taking place (for events which take place in November): Veteran's Day Parade (Participants) Thanksgiving Day Parade (Participants)

#### EMPLOYEE TRAINING

<u>Accreditation for (16 hours):</u> Training covers a review of the Horizon City Policies and Procedures along with the high-interest topics police department should address. Attended by Ortega, Nunez, Zeiger, Delgadillo, Rodriguez, and Greseth.

**Defensive Tactics S.T.A.R. (8 hours):** The course covers defensive program focusing on counter assault and situations critical to officer survival. Attended by Ortega, Labrado, Delgadillo, and Greseth.

**<u>Firearms (8 hours)</u>**: Course covered familiarity and safety of firearms. Officers conducted several drills along with qualifications. Attended by Nunez, Ortega, Zeiger, Delgadillo, Greseth, Diaz, Crespo, and Labrado.

International Police Mountain Bike Association (IPMBA) 32 hours: These courses were developed by experts in the fields of police, EMS, and security cycling, and are

used by public safety agencies around the world. This training provides skills for safe and effective use of the bicycle in police work. Attended by Nivar, Avitia, and H. Sierra.

<u>ALERRT 16 hours</u>: This dynamic course of instruction is designed to prepare the first responder to isolate, distract, and neutralize an active shooter. This course will cover shooting and moving, threshold evaluation, concepts and principles of team movement, setting up for and room entry techniques, approach and breaching the crisis site, secondary responder tactics, improvised explosive devices, and post engagement priorities of work. The course will culminate with dynamic force-on-force scenarios. Attended by Vasquez, Gonzalez, JC Rodriguez, Avitia, Archer, and Casillas.

# Total Training hours for the month: 384 hours

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike McConnell Chief of Police



# **Citation Offense Count By Stop Type**

Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	369
Number of CITATIONS	310
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	79
No Drivers License (3103)	37
Cut Across Driveway/Private Property to Make Turn (3081)	30
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	25
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	2′
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	18
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	11
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	-
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	7
Fail to Control Speed (3050)	(
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)	(
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2100)	5
Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)	Ę
Expired Paper Dealer Plate (0000I)	4
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	
Open Container (3323)	
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	:
Theft Under \$100.00 (1020)	:
Speeding (21-25 Miles Over) (3001C)	:
Expired Drivers License (3259)	:
Ran Red Light (3007)	:
Criminal Mischief/ Under \$100 (1000)	
Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060)	:
No Seat Belt - Driver (3032)	
Failed to Yield at Yield Intersection (3053)	
No Seat Belt- Passenger (3033)	

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Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger (3031A)	2
Curfew (0038)	1
Trnsport Loose material/Unsecure Load (3629)	1
Failed to Yield R.O.W. at Stop intersection (3005D)	1
Speeding School Zone 17 + Miles (3001SC)	1
Failed to Yield Right of Way (3005C)	1
Fail to Properly Restrain a Dog (0088)	1
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	1
Failed to Drive in an Single Lane (3070)	1
Public Intoxication (1220)	1
Failed to Yield ROW Turning Left (3055)	1
No License Plate Light (3274)	1
Failed to Yield ROW to Emergency Vehcile (3057)	1
Failed to Yield ROW at Open Intersection (3054)	1
Operation of Vehicle by New State Resident (0001)	1
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	1
Number of WARNINGS	59
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	12
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	10
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	7
No Drivers License (3103)	5
Ran Red Light (3007)	3
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	2
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	2
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	2
Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change (3096)	2
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	2
Drove Truck on Prohibited Street (0093)	1
Operation of Vehicle by New State Resident (0001)	1

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No License Plate Light (3274)	1
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	1
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	1
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	1
Expired Drivers License (3259)	1
Use Equipment Not Authorized (3628)	1
Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn (3097)	1
Failed to Pass to Right Safely/Improper Passing (3022)	1
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	1
Drove On Wrong Side of Divided Road (3088)	1

Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)	20
Number of CITATIONS	20
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$46.00 (3553)	8
Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$46.00 (0093B)	3
Parked w/ Wheels Over 18 In From Curb/Edge of Rdwy - \$46.00 (3564)	3
Parked Facing Traffic - \$46.00 (3561)	2
Park/Stand in Front of Public/Private Drive - \$46.00 (3552)	2
Parking on Roadway - \$46.00 (3026)	1
Parking/Standing w/i 15 Ft of Fire Hydrant - \$46.00 (3569)	1

Number of NON-TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	5
Number of CITATIONS	5
Curfew (0038)	2
Public Intoxication (1220)	1
Criminal Mischief/ Under \$100 (1000)	1
Noise Disturbance (0049A)	1

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