



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



**August, 2019**

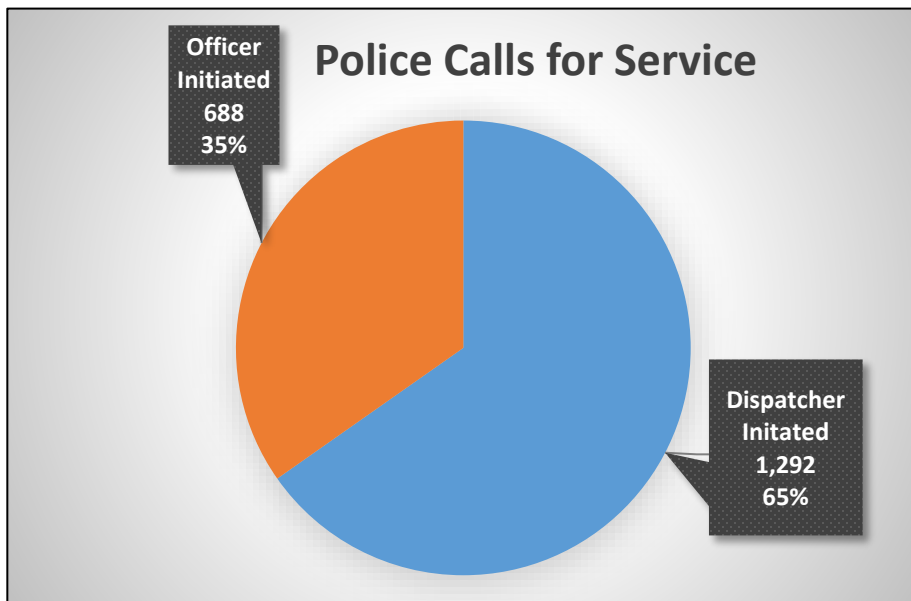
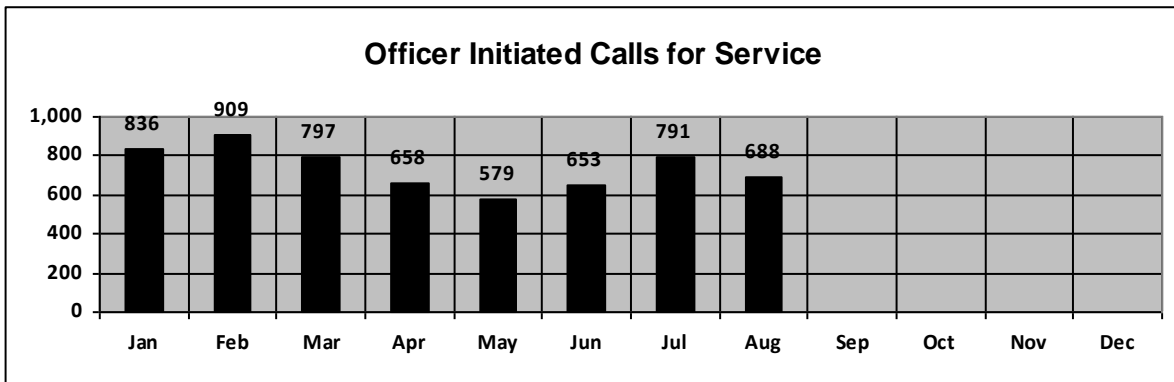
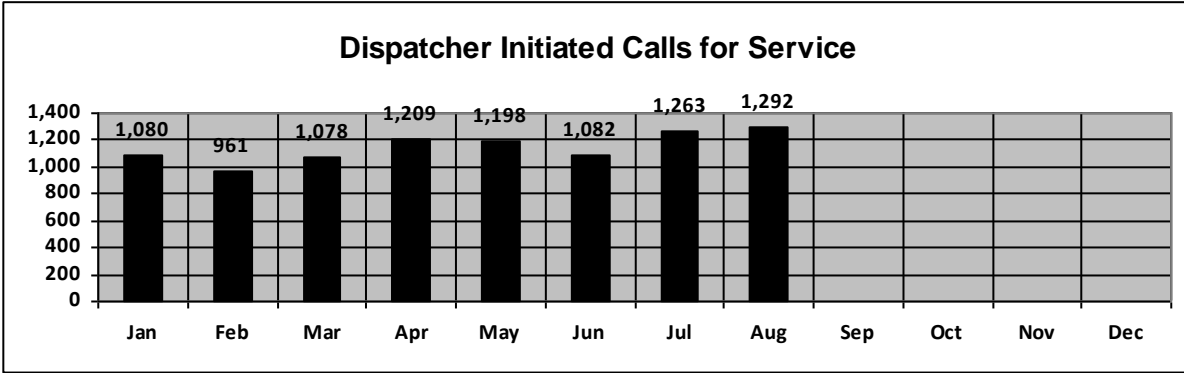
| Description                                 | Number     |                      |
|---|------------|----------------------|
|   | This Month | Last Month           |
| Traffic Citations                           | 305        | 355                  |
| Traffic Warnings                            | 96         | 112                  |
| Parking Tickets                             | 28         | 7                    |
| Investigations – Cases assigned             | 22         | 21                   |
| Investigations – Cases cleared              | 13         | 11                   |
| Investigations – Cases remaining open       | 9          | 10                   |
| Criminal & Non-Criminal Arrests             | 26         | 12                   |
| Traffic accidents                           | 32         | 32                   |
| Dispatcher Initiated Calls for Service      | 1,292      | Year to date –9,163  |
| Officer Initiated Calls for Service         | 688        | Year to date – 5,821 |
| Total Police Calls for Service              | 1,980      | Year to date –15,074 |
| Fire Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch | 1,214      | Year to date – 9,186 |

**ITEMS OF INTEREST**

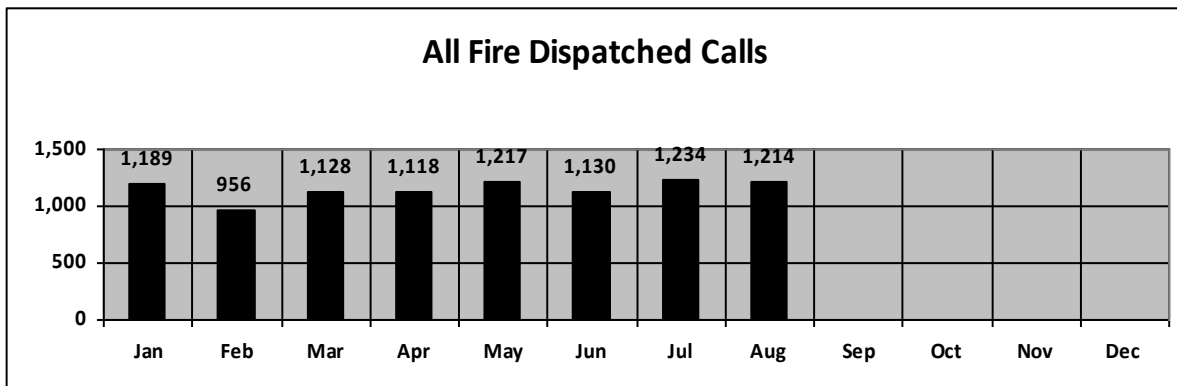
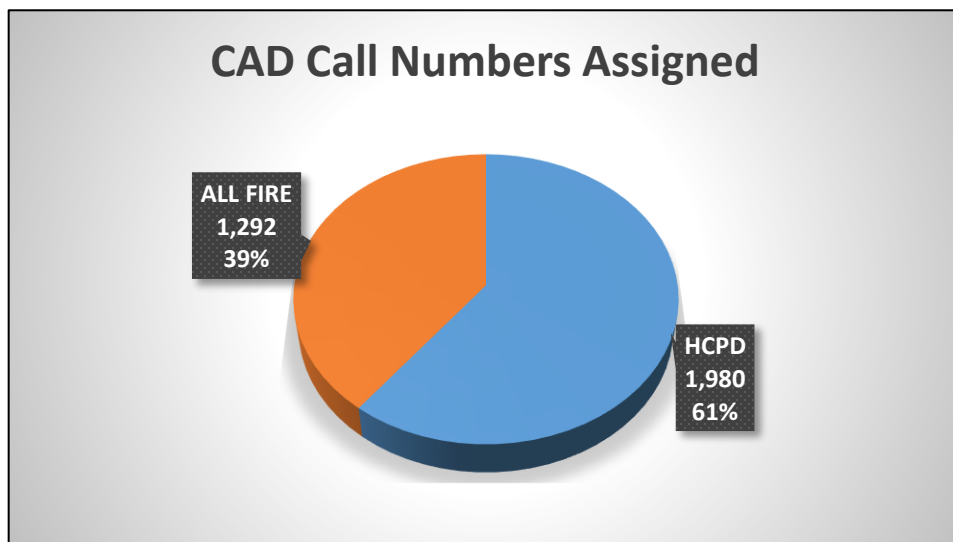
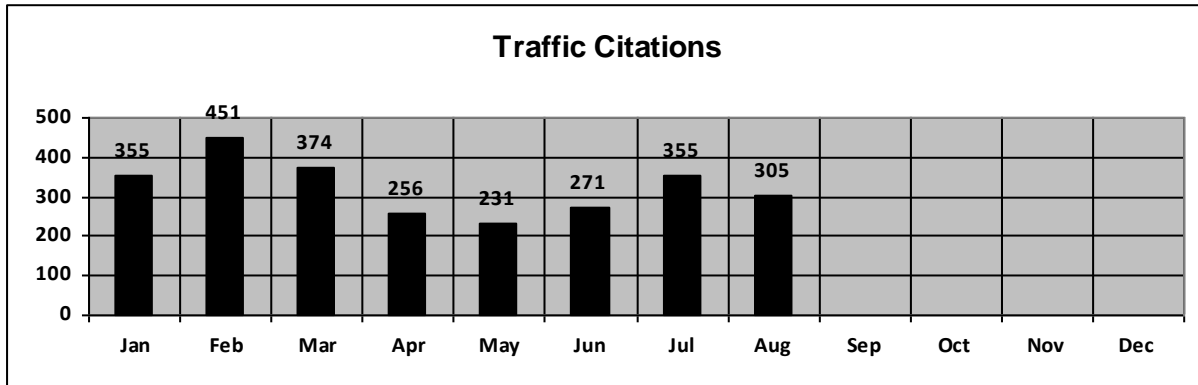
- Chief McConnell and the communications manager attended a planning meeting representing County Fire Communications concerning ambulance services in Socorro.
- Chief McConnell and the communications manager attended a logistics meeting concerning how YDSP Volunteer Fire Department dispatching will occur for fire and medical calls.

***D.A.R.E.***  
**TO RESIST DRUGS  
AND VIOLENCE**

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### COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

#### *Together as One*

The Fabens, Clint and Socorro Fire Departments responded to a tractor on fire. Life Ambulance was requested to the scene due to a male patient bleeding from the face. The fire department cleared approximately an hour and a half later. Life Ambulance transported two patients to a local hospital.



The Fabens, San Elizario, Clint, Horizon, Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo and Montana Vista Fire Departments responded to a structure fire in the Fabens. A single-story residence was fully engulfed and two additional structures had caught on fire. The fire was under control approximately three and a half hours later. The scene was turned over to the fire marshal and El Paso Electric.

The Fabens and Clint Fire Departments responded to a motor vehicle accident roll over in Fort Hancock. One person was extricated from the vehicle. Life Ambulance and Fort Hancock Ambulance transported a total of three patients to the nearest hospital.

A call was received from the Union Pacific Railroad in reference to reports of a train vs pedestrian accident in Fabens. The fire department units and EPSO deputies located the pedestrian after 20 minutes of searching. Once contact was made with the patient, the units advised of a dead on scene situation. The medical examiner was called to the scene.

The Horizon and Montana Vista Fire Departments responded to a multiple-vehicle fire at a semi-truck lot in Horizon. Units on scene advised of at least five semi-trucks fully engulfed. As the fire was being extinguished, Incident Command requested a tanker response from an additional department to assist. Fire crews had the fire under control and were able to clear the scene within about 3 hours.

The Horizon, Clint, and Socorro Fire Departments responded to a residential structure fire in Sparks. Callers advised the home was fully engulfed and reported having visual of large flames and heavy smoke. Crews made entry and conducted a search for occupants. A fire investigator was requested and the Red Cross assisted the displaced family members. Fire crews cleared the scene in about 3 hours.

Horizon Fire responded to a four-wheeler accident in the desert area of Horizon. The caller advised of two patients with extensive injuries going in and out of consciousness. The location of the patients was unknown. The Search and Rescue Team was requested for assistance. Horizon Fire made contact with the patients upon arrival and the SAR team was cancelled. Both patients were transported to a local hospital. The units cleared the scene in about an hour and a half.

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The Montana Vista Fire Department responded to a multiple-vehicle accident in Montana Vista. Multiple callers advised of a head-on collision. Arriving units advised of three vehicles involved and one vehicle-versus-pedestrian accident at the same scene. The gas company was requested in reference to a gas line that was hit and multiple patients were transported to local hospitals for further medical evaluation. The EPSO assisted with traffic control and closed off lanes on Montana Avenue. Fire crews cleared the scene approximately three hours later.

### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

Thirty one support tickets were submitted, completed and closed including four major projects. The major projects included:

1. AT&T new router installation
2. Corky Park Wireless project
3. Ominixx/OpenFox Computer update
4. Unit unable to connect to Verizon

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. Six people were arrested for traffic warrants. Collections were made on traffic warrants and those unable to post bond, were booked into the El Paso County Jail. The warrants officer reviewed five Child Protective Services cases. These cases were reviewed and closed, or filed with the corresponding case due to allegations of neglect. The warrants officer took four vehicles to the shop for oil changes and repairs. Bailiff duties were conducted during court proceedings. The warrants officer conducted two city ordinance violations.

### **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS/EVIDENCE**

Detectives Rodriguez and Labrado investigated cases ranging from aggravated assault, cruelty to animals, deceptive business practice, burglary of habitation, and indecency with a child. Detectives presented twelve cases to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution. The detectives responded to a domestic dispute where shots were fired and the responsible party barricaded herself inside the residence. The detectives also investigated three unattended deaths. Lieutenant Ortega signed 32 cases at the District Attorney's Office, which were accepted for prosecution. Meetings attended by Lieutenant Ortega were HIS and SOCAP. Lieutenant Ortega attended Motorcycle Gang Training (sixteen hours) and TML Supervisors and HR Training (twenty hours).

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### **FORENSICS UNIT**

The evidence technician conducted five open records requests for video from the officer's body cameras. The District Attorney's Office submitted 14 requests for videos 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 thirty-six public requests for fingerprints.

The forensic technician met with the evidence custodian from EPPD at the El Paso County Sheriff's Incinerator. They met to destroy one hundred and ten pieces of evidence on cases that have been disposed of with the district attorney's approval. The Honor Guard attended monthly training with the US Homeland Security Border Patrol Unit.

### **CRIME PREVENTION ACTIVITIES**

#### **Coffee with a Cop**

Our Coffee with a Cop event was held on August 24<sup>th</sup> at the Whataburger. Sergeant Mitre met with various members of our community who stopped to have coffee and chat. Coffee with a Cop events happen monthly, dates and times are posted on our official website and social media outlets. Topics discussed included the horrific mass shooting incident which occurred in El Paso on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Attendees were curious in being able to obtain information which could be passed along to the public with a training or workshop.

#### **Seat Belt Event- Whataburger**

On August 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Horizon City Police Department officers, Lieutenant Ortega, Detective Labrado, Officer Zeiger, and Sergeant Mitre attended a child safety seat event which was held at our local Whataburger. The event was coordinated by Ms. Monica O'Kane from Texas Department of Transportation. Ms. O'Kane had made arrangements with area families in the weeks leading up to the event so that parents and guardians could take a class regarding child passengers. They were then able to attend the event and receive a car seat inspection. Car seats which were found to be recalled, installed improperly, or otherwise defective were replaced by car seat specialists. The event served over 30 families.

#### **El Paso County Sheriff's Office National Night Out Event**

The Horizon City Police Department was present at the NNO event, hosted by the El Paso County Sheriff's Office on August 6<sup>th</sup>. The event was held at the EPCSO headquarters located on Justice Dr. The Horizon City Police Department displayed our off-road police buggy, large Ford pickup truck, and sleek Explorer police interceptor. Our police explorers represented our community well by assisting attendees, presenting information about the explorer program, and handing out giveaway items.

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### Elizabeth Correa Farmers Agency 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

The Horizon City Police Department was present at the celebration held by the Farmers Insurance (Elizabeth Correa Agency), located at Ashford St. & Alderwood Manor St. Ms. Correa put the event together in order to thank the community for making her agency possible. The event featured activities for children, music, and free food. Sergeant Mitre was available to conduct installation checks on child passenger safety seats. Sergeant Mitre's inspections revealed that every single seat had at least one problematic aspect to the installation. These seats were adjusted or re-installed properly.

### Explorer Program

The Explorer Program took a hiatus during the month due to the number of members affected by the school year adjustment at CISD. Our members wished for a break in order to focus on their homework, athletics and extracurricular activities. The request was reasonable after a summer of hard work during Movies in the Park. Explorer meetings will resume September 4<sup>th</sup>.

### Horizon City National Night Out Event 2019 (Planning)

The Horizon City National Night Out event will take place on October 1<sup>st</sup>. The purpose of the event is to encourage neighbors to be out and about, meeting each other and having a good time in the process. The National Night Out event is a celebration against crime. The event will feature:

- Inflatable rides and children activities (5 pm to 8:30 pm)
- Vendors activities
- Various youth & children performances throughout the evening
- Food trucks
- Face painting
- Giveaways & Raffles

### Important Upcoming Events

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

Coffee With A Cop (September)  
September 11<sup>th</sup> Memorial Ceremony  
D.A.R.E. Instructional Dates

## EMPLOYEE TRAINING

**Firearms (16 hours):** Officers continue to prepare and practice for the Basic Firearms Instructor course coming up in August. Attended by Crespo, Greseth and Delgadillo.

**Intermediate Use of Force (16 hours):** TCOLE requirement, students will obtain a basic overview of the terminology and concepts regarding use of force. Student will

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also obtain information concerning research indicating factors and situations where use of force may be likely. Attended by H. Sierra and Chavez.

**Intermediate Spanish Challenge Exam (2 hours):** This is a challenge exam, successful completion of this course will satisfy intermediate license certification. Attended by Patino.

**CPR (4 hours):** A Course teaches the emergency lifesaving procedures performed when the heart stops beating. Attended by Arceo, Mendoza, Duran and Yopez.

**Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs ( 16 hours):** Course will provide an in dept perspective to the truth behind these gangs and how they work. Learn why these gangs refer themselves as “the one percent” and discover the premise behind their culture of law-breaking. Attended by Rosas and Ortega.

**Special Investigative Topics (8 hours):** This course is to provide the student wit a better understanding of Texas State laws concerning Child Abuse, and Child Protective Services. The course covers information for dealing with sexual assaults interviews involving both children and adults. Attended by Avitia and Gonzalez.

**Eyewitness Evidence Identification (8 hours):** Course is state mandated for officers that perform the function of eye witness identifications. Course provides the officers with the knowledge and understanding of how the implementation of recommended protocols, or best practices, can improve the accuracy and reliability of eyewitness evidence. Attended by Labrado and G. Rodriguez.

**Advanced search and Seizure ( 8 hours):** This course provides sound search and seizure techniques that will aid officers in building a solid case supported by evidence. Officers will also learn how to draft penal interest search warrants, anticipatory search warrants, and techniques to overcome the “Knock & Announce” requirements. Attended by Hernandez, Gonzalez, Chavez and Martinez.

**Courtroom Survival Techniques (8 Hours):** Training focuses on bringing the law enforcement officer mentally into the courtroom. The course will teach the officers the do’s and don’ts of testifying. Attended by Hernandez.

**Knock and Talk Operations Investigations (8 hours):** This intense one-day training course will provide in-dept information and proper techniques and tactics for officers to conduct knock and talk operations. Attended by H. Sierra, Diaz, Martinez, Nivar, G. Rodriguez, and Ortega.

**DWI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (8 hours):** This course will update the peace officer in the most current National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and approved Standardized Field Sobriety Testing training curriculum. Attended by Greseth, Delgadillo and M. Sierra.



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**Basic Firearms Instructor Course (40 hours):** the course is designed to provide the student with the information required to be certified as a Firearms Instructor. Attended by Crespo, Delgadillo

**Supervisors Academy (16 hours):** Participants will have the opportunity to explore proven concepts of leadership and practical approaches to common challenges. Attended by Flores, Rico, Nunez, Arceo, Ortega

**HR for the supervisor (3 hours):** In this workshop, supervisors will identify their roles in the employment life-cycle (recruitment, on-boarding, performance management, and termination). Attended by Tarango, Ramos, Molina, Arceo, Flores, Rico, Nunez, JC Rodriguez

**Policy Review for active shooter with civilian employees (1 hour):** Training covered the basic aspects of an active shooter, employees reviewed City Policy on active shooter response. Attended by 28 city civilian employees.

***TOTAL TRAINING HOURS FOR THE MONTH: 480 hours***

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell  
Chief of Police



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

| Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)                                       | 401 |
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| Number of CITATIONS  | 305 |
| Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)  | 67  |
| No Drivers License (3103)  | 36  |
| Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)                             | 21  |
| Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)   | 18  |
| Fail to Control Speed (3050)   | 14  |
| Expired Registration/Plates (3656)   | 13  |
| Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)  | 13  |
| Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)                                 | 11  |
| Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667) | 9   |
| Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)  | 7   |
| Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)                                       | 7   |
| Violate DL Restriction (3106)  | 7   |
| Speeding (26 + Miles Over) (3001D)   | 6   |
| Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2100)                                      | 6   |
| Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)         | 5   |
| Speeding (21-25 Miles Over) (3001C)  | 5   |
| Failed to Yield ROW Turning Left (3055)                                      | 5   |
| Expired Drivers License (3259)   | 4   |
| Following Too Closely (3017)   | 4   |
| Speeding School Zone (11 - 16) (3001SB)                                      | 3   |
| Fail to Yield Row Changing Lanes (3288)                                      | 3   |
| Child Under 17 Not Secured by Safety Belt (3034)                             | 3   |
| Speeding School Zone 17 + Miles (3001SC)                                     | 2   |
| Improper Turn/Illegal Turn (3014)  | 2   |
| Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)             | 2   |
| Public Intoxication (1220)   | 2   |



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

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| Disregard Official Traffic Control Device (3059)       | 1 |
| Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle (3668)              | 1 |
| Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger (3031A)            | 1 |
| Drove Wrong Side of Road (3015F)                       | 1 |
| No License Plate Light (3274)                          | 1 |
| Fail to Properly Restrain a Dog (0088)                 | 1 |
| Passing In a School Zone (3019)                        | 1 |
| Defective Head Lamps (3162A)                           | 1 |
| Disregard Crossing Guard (3121A)                       | 1 |
| Use Equipment Not Authorized (3628)                    | 1 |
| No Safety Equipment While Riding ATV (0000D)           | 1 |
| Display Unclean License Plates/Obstrcted (3658)        | 1 |
| Disregard Lane Control Signal (3069)                   | 1 |
| Operation of Vehicle by New State Resident (0001)      | 1 |
| Speeding School Zone (1 -10 Miles Over) (3001SA)       | 1 |
| Trnsport Loose material/Unsecure Load (3629)           | 1 |
| Drove Truck on Prohibited Street (0093)                | 1 |
| No Motor Cycle Endorsement (3112)                      | 1 |
| Failed to Yield Right of Way (3005C)                   | 1 |
| Fail to File Accident Report (3286)                    | 1 |
| Ran Red Light (3007)                                   | 1 |
| Expired Paper Dealer Plate (0000I)                     | 1 |
| Equipment/Missing or None (3627)                       | 1 |
| Failed to Pass to Right Safely/Improper Passing (3022) | 1 |
| Failed to Yield ROW at Open Intersection (3054)        | 1 |
| D.O.C. Fighting with Another (1175)                    | 1 |
| Open Container (3323)                                  | 1 |
| Unsafe Backing (3316)                                  | 1 |
| Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060) | 1 |



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

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| Illegal Pass on Right (3020)   | 1         |
| <b>Number of WARNINGS</b>  | <b>96</b> |
| Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)   | 24        |
| Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)  | 20        |
| Expired Registration/Plates (3656)   | 6         |
| Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)                             | 5         |
| No Drivers License (3103)  | 4         |
| Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)  | 4         |
| Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)                                       | 3         |
| Equipment/Missing or None (3627)   | 3         |
| Display Unclean License Plates/Obstrcted (3658)                              | 3         |
| Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)  | 2         |
| Disregard Official Traffic Control Device (3059)                             | 2         |
| Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change (3096)                                     | 2         |
| Violate DL Restriction (3106)  | 2         |
| Fail to Yield Row Changing Lanes (3288)                                      | 2         |
| Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060)                       | 2         |
| Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667) | 2         |
| Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)                                 | 1         |
| Disregard No Lane Change Sign (3071)   | 1         |
| Expired Paper Dealer Plate (0000I)   | 1         |
| Failed to Yield ROW Turning Left (3055)                                      | 1         |
| Operation of Vehicle by New State Resident (0001)                            | 1         |
| Disregard Lane Control Signal (3069)   | 1         |
| Failed to Yield Right of Way (3005C)   | 1         |
| Obstructed View Through Windshield (3132)                                    | 1         |
| Illegal Pass on Right (3020)   | 1         |
| Speeding (26 + Miles Over) (3001D)   | 1         |



## Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

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| <b>Number of NON-TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)</b> | <b>6</b> |
| <b>Number of CITATIONS</b>                        | <b>6</b> |
| D.O.C. Fighting with Another (1175)               | 4        |
| Fail to Properly Restrain a Dog (0088)            | 2        |

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| <b>Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)</b>                       | <b>28</b> |
| <b>Number of CITATIONS</b>  | <b>22</b> |
| Parked w/ Wheels Over 18 In From Curb/Edge of Rdwy - \$46.00 (3564) | 6         |
| Parked in Prohibited Area - \$46.00 (3553)                          | 5         |
| Parked Facing Traffic - \$46.00 (3561)                              | 4         |
| Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$46.00 (0093B)     | 3         |
| Parking/Standing w/i 15 Ft of Fire Hydrant - \$46.00 (3569)         | 2         |
| Park/Stand in Front of Public/Private Drive - \$46.00 (3552)        | 1         |
| Stopping/Standing on Parking Prohibited Area (3556)                 | 1         |
| <b>Number of WARNINGS</b>   | <b>6</b>  |
| Parked Facing Traffic - \$46.00 (3561)                              | 5         |
| Park/Stand in Front of Public/Private Drive - \$46.00 (3552)        | 1         |

# CNTYFD Monthly Count Of Calls

Report Date: 9/3/2019 12:00:00 AM  
Report Date From: 8/1/2019 0:00  
Report Date To: 8/31/2019 23:59

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Count of CNTYFD Calls: 1214

## Count of all Events

| County Fire Dept Detailed |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| CLFD                      | 72  |
| FAFD                      | 115 |
| HCFD                      | 377 |
| MVFD                      | 116 |
| SCFD                      | 316 |
| SEFD                      | 102 |
| WVFD                      | 116 |

# HCPD Monthly Count Of Calls

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date: 9/1/2019 2:00:43 AM

Report Date From: 8/1/2019 00:00:00

Report Date To: 8/31/2019 23:59:59

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| Count of PD Calls: | 1292 |
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| Count of OV Calls: | 688 |
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| Count of MVA Events: | 57 |
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