



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



August 2020

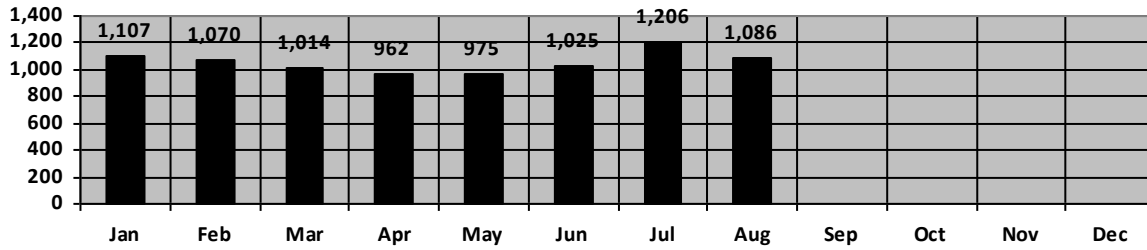
Description	Number	
	This Month	Last Month
Traffic Citations	456	405
Traffic Warnings	124	118
Parking Tickets	18	11
Investigations – Cases assigned	36	44
Investigations – Cases cleared	14	13
Investigations – Cases remaining open	22	33
Criminal & Non-Criminal Arrests	20	18
Traffic accidents	36	30
Dispatcher Initiated Calls for Service	1,086	Year to date – 8,445
Officer Initiated Calls for Service	852	Year to date – 4,581
Total Police Calls for Service	1,938	Year to date – 13,026
Fire Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,193	Year to date – 9,301

ITEMS OF INTEREST

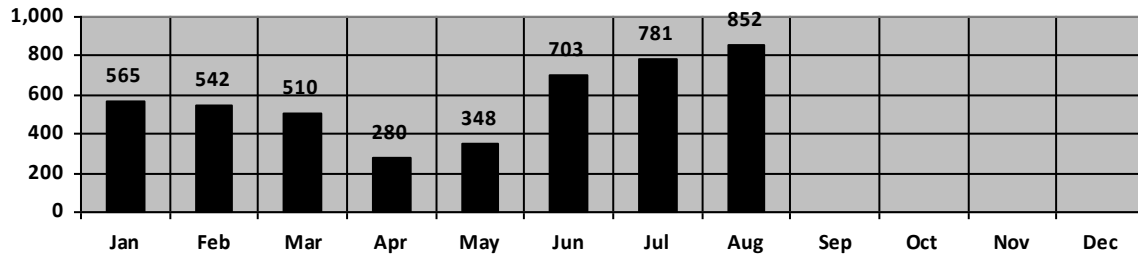
- Chief McConnell met with representatives of Exigo regarding technical building design issues.
- Chief McConnell attended the El Paso County Services District #1 Fire Station 2 grand opening ceremony.
- Chief McConnell, Pat Randleel, and IT staff member Mendoza met with the El Paso County 911 District director to discuss issues concerning telephone and Internet connectivity and options we should consider when selecting a provider.



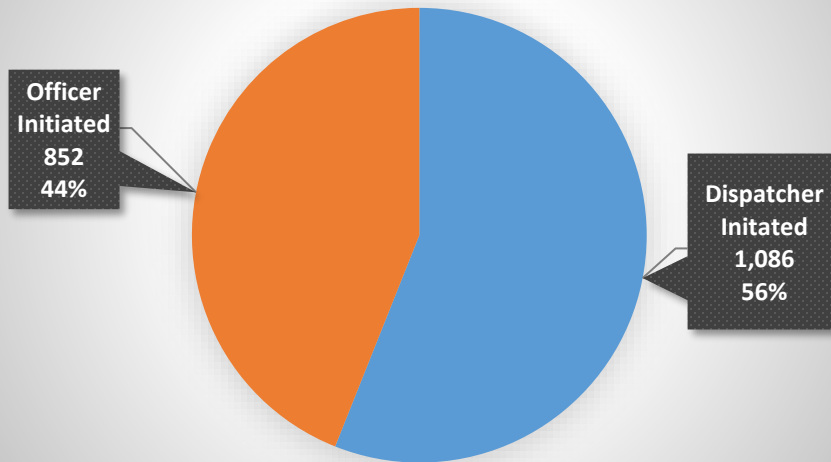
Dispatcher Initiated Calls for Service

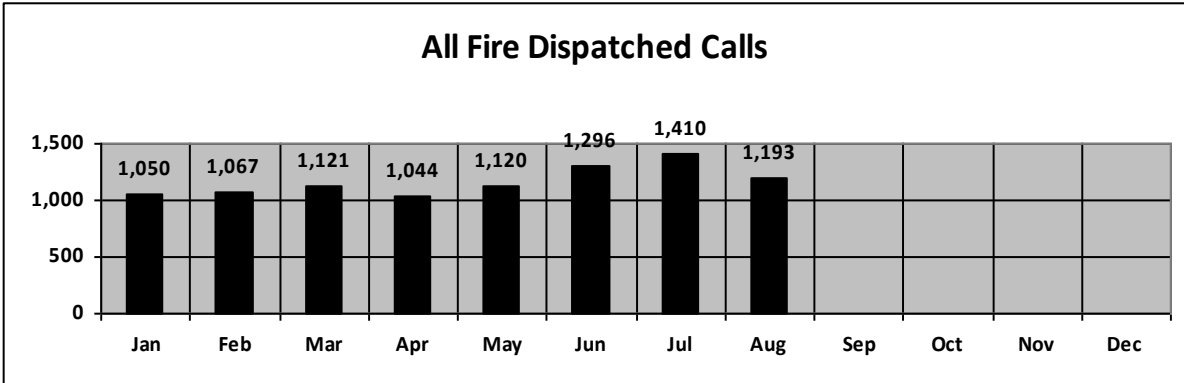
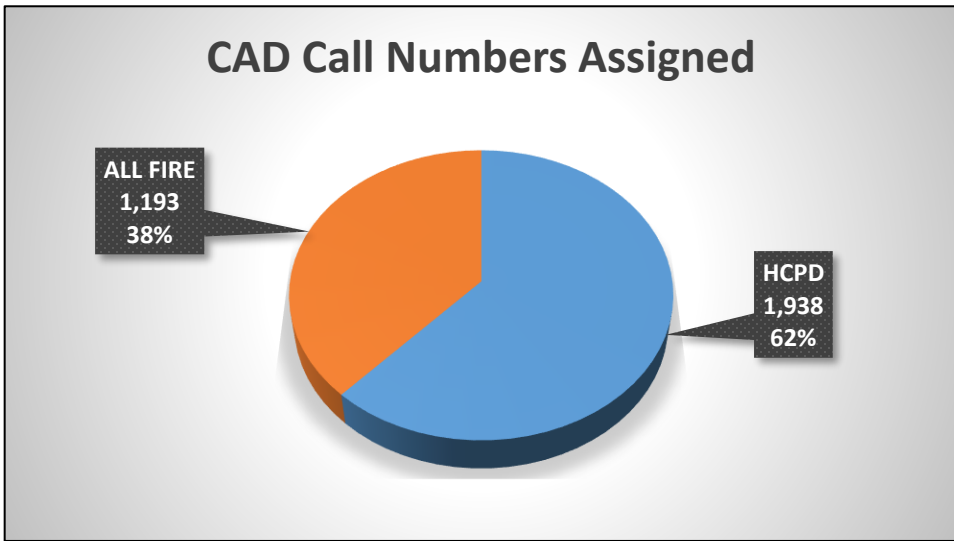
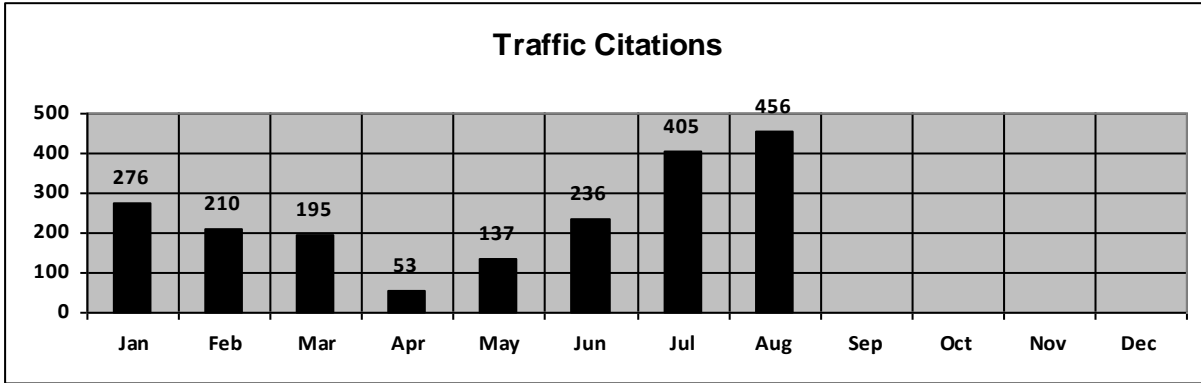


Officer Initiated Calls for Service



Police Calls for Service





COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

Together as One

The West Valley Fire Department responded to a structure fire in Dona Ana, New Mexico. The Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority requested the assistance of West Valley Fire to extinguish a home on fire. The West Valley Fire Department responded with a pumper at New Mexico's request. The fire department cleared and made their way back to the district.



The Montana Vista Fire Department responded to a large brush fire in Montana Vista. Dispatch received several calls through 911 advising of a large brush fire that was spreading and approaching structures. The Montana Vista Fire chief advised he observed heavy black smoke in the distance. Once on scene, the Montana Vista Fire Chief reported an approximately 300 x 100 fire. Additional firefighters were requested from the Horizon Fire Department. The Texas Rescue Patrol aided fire crews. Fire crews on the scene had to use extreme caution because of rattlesnakes in the area. The fire crews were able to extinguish hotspots that continued to rekindle while they were on the scene. A total of eighteen fire apparatuses responded and were on the scene for several hours extinguishing the fire.

The Montana Vista Fire Department responded to a brush fire that rekindled early in the morning. The Montana Vista Fire Department had responded to a large brush fire hours before. The caller advised of seeing black smoke but no flames. Once on scene, the fire department reported an active fire and an attempt to make entry into the property along with two El Paso Sheriff's Office deputies. Fire crews were able to extinguish hotspots that continued to rekindle while they were on the scene. A walk through was conducted before clearing the scene.

The Clint Fire Department responded to a Union Pacific train on fire near mile marker 805 in Clint. No passengers were on-board. Plumes of black smoke were seen coming from the engine head. The Union Pacific Police was contacted along with the El Paso Sheriff's Department. The fire was extinguished, and the crews continued to address any hotspots. Fire crews assisted with moving the train to the next stop before clearing the scene.

The Montana Vista, Clint, and Horizon Fire Departments responded to a structure fire in the Montana Vista fire district. The reporting party advised observing smoke, possibly coming from a residence. Once on scene, an El Paso Sheriff's Office deputy reported the call was regarding an illegal burn. Additional responding apparatuses were requested to stand down. The fire was extinguished, and the homeowner was advised of the county-wide burn ban.

The Horizon Fire Department responded to a head-on collision accident on Horizon Boulevard. All vehicles involved in the accident were blocking traffic. Horizon Boulevard was closed off to all traffic by the El Paso Sheriff Department deputies. TxDOT also responded for traffic control as well as a Department of Public Safety unit to assist.

Once on scene, fire crews and Life Ambulance provided patient care. Two patients were transported to local hospitals.

The Montana Vista Fire Department responded to a motor vehicle accident in Red Sands. Multiple callers advised of a vehicle collision involving a passenger truck and an ATV in the desert area. Multiple units from the El Paso Sheriff's Office responded and blocked off parts of Montana Avenue to better control the situation. Upon arrival, a patient was located approximately 50 feet from the entrance of Red Sands. Crime Records Evidence Forensics Section and Special Traffic Investigators were called to the scene. The Montana Vista Fire units provided patient care, and the the scene was released to the El Paso Sheriff's Office.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Twenty nine support tickets were submitted, completed and closed, including three major projects. The major projects included:

- Inventory of new COVID equipment
- Installation of new spam filter software
- Public works new webpage

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

WARRANTS DIVISION & FLEET OPERATIONS

The warrants officer served four summons from the court. Ten arrests were made for outstanding traffic warrants. The warrants officer reviewed six Child Protective Services cases. These cases were reviewed and closed, or filed with the corresponding case resulting from allegations of neglect. Bailiff duties were conducted during court proceedings via zoom. The bailiff ensured to enforce the six feet social distancing while people were entered the courtroom.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS/EVIDENCE

Detectives Rodriguez and Labrado investigated cases ranging from criminal mischief, sexual coercion, identity theft, and burglary of vehicles. Detectives responded to three unattended deaths. Detectives responded to an unattended death case where the person had been deceased for approximately 30 days. All deaths were cleared with no foul play suspected. In addition, detectives assisted in a hostage situation that occurred in the south area of Horizon City. The standoff lasted four hours. The Horizon City Police Department was assisted by the Sheriff's SWAT and CNT teams. The suspect was charged with multiple felony counts.

Detectives presented 12 cases to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution. Lieutenant Ortega signed 35 cases at the District Attorney's Office, which were accepted for prosecution.

FORENSICS UNIT

The evidence technician conducted eleven open record requests for video from the officer's body cameras. The District Attorney's Office submitted twenty-two requests for videos for cases ranging from DWI to assaults. Fifteen items were presented to the Texas Department of Public Safety crime lab, including drugs and blood kits that were submitted for analysis. The Forensic tech assisted with fingerprinting eleven people that came into the station for assistance.

CRIME PREVENTION/COMMUNITY SERVICES

Coffee With A Cop

Because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Horizon City Police Department has had to find an alternative to meeting with community members in person. Sergeant Mitre responded to several community issues, which were reported via Tip411, through Facebook Messenger and via telephone. Such concerns and complaints, including:

- "Junk" vehicles in neighborhoods
- Children riding ATV's on streets
- Stop Sign violations on Roslyn & Desierto Bonito
- Speeding violations on Escalera & Desierto Lindo
- Speeding violations along Alderwood Manor
- Abandoned vehicles along Escalera

The resolution from concerns listed above ranged from verbal warnings to multiple citations, which were issued in areas of concern. Red parking violation tags were placed on illegally parked vehicles. Over 16 vehicles are now in compliance with parking regulations.

Child Passenger Seat Inspections

Sergeant Mitre received an extension to renew her child safety seat certification, due to the issuing entity closing down as a result of COVID-19. There were no requests for child passenger seat inspections.

Explorer Program

The explorer program conducted online meetings via ZOOM, an online meeting service. Virtual meetings took place on the following dates:

August 5

August 12

August 19

August 27

Community Partnerships

Aliviane- Sergeant Mitre attended a virtual meeting with the Aliviane Advocates for Prevention Coalition on August 10, 2020. Sean Semko hosted the meeting and the purpose of the meeting was to assess the use of prescription disposal envelopes via mail or their in-person disposal counterparts. The name of the prescription disposal is Deterra Drug Disposal Pouch. The coalition also discussed several ideas to publicize

the availability of these drug disposal pouches at various community partners including EPSCO, the City of Socorro, and EPPD among others. The coalition meets every other month. After the meeting, Aliviane provided Sergeant Mitre with nearly 400 drug disposal pouches for distribution to the Horizon City community.

CISD- Sergeant Mitre attended the Clint Independent School District iLearn@School Transition Committee virtual meeting on August 24. The purpose of this meeting was to collaborate with ideas to facilitate the safe return to school learning for our community students.

Community Presentations & Other Community Events

The Horizon City Police Department also participated in one community parade-style celebration.

August 22 – Engagement Celebration

D.A.R.E.

Dare instruction was postponed due to COVID-19.

COVID-19 Modified Work Assignments

Sergeant Mitre was assigned to the patrol division. She was scheduled to work various shifts to provide sufficient coverage. In addition, she was given the task of addressing common community complaints such as speeders in certain areas and neighborhood traffic issues.

Food Pantry Traffic Control

For the last few months, the Horizon City Police Department has been working alongside Manantial Church on Nunda Dr. to coordinate traffic flow during their weekly food pantry giveaway events. The church, with numerous volunteers, manage hundreds of vehicles through a route designed to minimize traffic in the areas of Breaux St., Catham Cir., and Nunda Drive. Officers direct traffic entering and exiting the church parking lot to reduce hazards to community members walking, jogging, and biking in the area, as well as vehicles driving through to enter the adjacent neighborhoods.

TRAINING

Annual Fire Arms Qualifications (1 hours): Conducted an open range in order to allow officers the chance of going out and conducting their annual qualifications(Handgun, Rifle). Attended by Ortega, J.C Rodriguez, Mitre, Campbell, M. Sierra, Alvarez, Vasquez, McConnell, Zeiger, and H. Sierra.

Taser Recertification User update (2 hours): Course is designated to assist officers in keeping up to date in the use and applicability. Attended by Campbell, Vasquez, H. Sierra, J. Rodriguez, G. Rodriguez, and Rico.

Basic Life Support Instructor Course (CPR 8 hours): Course teaches at the Instructor level in order to certify officers in performing high-quality emergency lifesaving procedures. Attended by Crespo and Delgadillo.

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Roll call training are short online videos that are intended for the officers to review before their tour of duty. It is meant to keep the officer focused and aware of the possibilities in which anything can happen at any moment during their shift. All officers are assigned Roll Call on a weekly basis.

Roll Call Training topics covered:

- Stopping a Punch from the Guard Position (10min)
- Weapon Retention (10 min)
- A Formidable Foe for Law Enforcement (10 min)
- Always Carry off Duty (10 min)

Vincible Roll Call

- Mastering the Basics (10min)
- Preventing Self Harm (10 min)

TOTAL TRAINING HOURS FOR THE MONTH: 64 hours

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell
Chief of Police

Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	580
Number of CITATIONS	456
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	126
No Drivers License (3103)	74
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	58
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	27
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	21
Fail to Control Speed (3050)	12
Speeding (21-25 Miles Over) (3001C)	12
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	11
Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)	10
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	9
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	8
No License Plate Light (3274)	8
Open Container (3323)	8
No Seat Belt - Driver (3032)	7
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	6
Ran Red Light (3007)	6
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	6
Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn (3097)	4
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2100)	4
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)	4
Curfew (0038)	3
Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle (3668)	3
Speeding (26 + Miles Over) (3001D)	2
Possession of Alcohol By Minor (3800)	2
Consumption of Alcohol By Minor (3803)	2
Failed to Yield ROW Turning Left (3055)	2

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Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Expired Drivers License (3259)	2
Theft Under \$100.00 (1020)	2
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger (3031A)	2
Failure to Identify (1130)	2
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	2
Child Under 17 Not Secured by Safety Belt (3034)	2
Obstructed View Through Windshield (3132)	1
Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060)	1
Minor In Possession of Tobacco Products (0055)	1
Trnsport Loose material/Unsecure Load (3629)	1
Driving Under The Influence -Minor (3806)	1
Failed to Yield ROW to Emergency Vehcile (3057)	1
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	1
Assault (1100)	1
Failed to Yield R.O.W. at Stop intersection (3005D)	1
Number of WARNINGS	124
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	31
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	20
No Drivers License (3103)	12
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	8
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	7
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	6
Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)	5
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	5
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	4
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	4
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	3
Fail to Stop-Designated Point/Crosswalk (3060)	2
Ran Red Light (3007)	2

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Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle (3668)	2
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	2
Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060)	2
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	2
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)	1
Fail to Yield to Pedestrian in Crosswalk (No Signals) (3116A)	1
Passed- Insufficient Clearance (3018)	1
Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn (3097)	1
Drove without Lights (When Required) (3198)	1
Failed to Yield ROW (Private Drive/Alley/Building) (3056)	1
Failed to Drive in an Single Lane (3070)	1

Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)	24
Number of WARNINGS	6
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$53.00 (3553)	4
Parked Facing Traffic - \$53.00 (3561)	2
Number of CITATIONS	18
Parked Facing Traffic - \$53.00 (3561)	9
Parked w/ Wheels Over 18 In From Curb/Edge of Rdwy - \$53.00 (3564)	3
Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$53.00 (0093B)	2
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$53.00 (3553)	1
Park/Stand w/i 20 Ft of Crosswalk at Intersection - 53.00 (3570)	1
Park/Stand w/ 30 Ft of A Traffic Control Device - \$53.00 (3572)	1
Parking/Standing w/i 15 Ft of Fire Hydrant - \$53.00 (3569)	1

CNTYFD Monthly Count of Events

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El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date From:

8/1/2020 00:00:00

Report Date To:

8/31/2020 23:59:59

Municipality	Count
CLFD	75
FAFD	154
HCFD	335
MVFD	123
SCFD	224
SEFD	122
WVFD	160
Total	1193

HCPD Monthly Count Of Calls

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

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Count of PD Calls:	1086
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Count of OV Calls:	852
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Count of MVA Events:	36
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