



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



July 2020

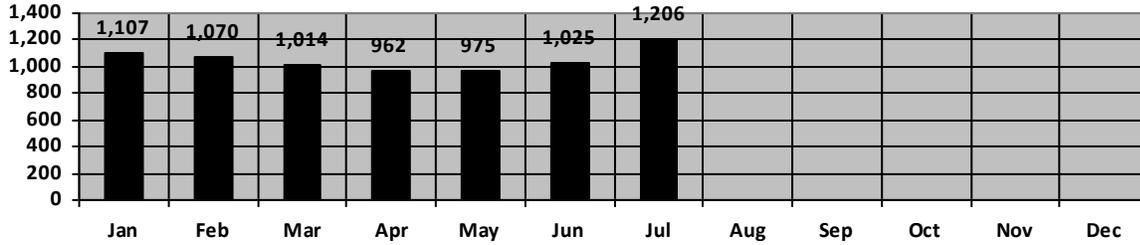
Description	Number	
	This Month	Last Month
Traffic Citations	405	236
Traffic Warnings	118	84
Parking Tickets	11	6
Investigations – Cases assigned	44	41
Investigations – Cases cleared	13	3
Investigations – Cases remaining open	33	38
Criminal & Non-Criminal Arrests	18	16
Traffic accidents	30	39
Dispatcher Initiated Calls for Service	1,206	Year to date – 7,359
Officer Initiated Calls for Service	781	Year to date – 3,729
Total Police Calls for Service	1,987	Year to date – 11,088
Fire Calls for Service Reported to Dispatch	1,410	Year to date – 8,108

ITEMS OF INTEREST

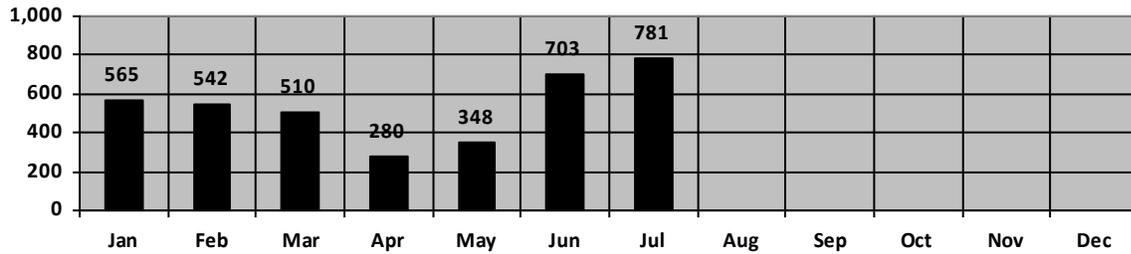
- Chief McConnell met with the new El Paso County Animal Welfare Director concerning animal services in Horizon City.
- Chief McConnell presented to several members of ESD2 concerning our fire dispatching services.
- Chief McConnell and ESD1 Chief Menendez met with Elite Transport Service to share information concerning their services to Horizon City. We continue to meet monthly to maintain a positive working relationship between our operations.



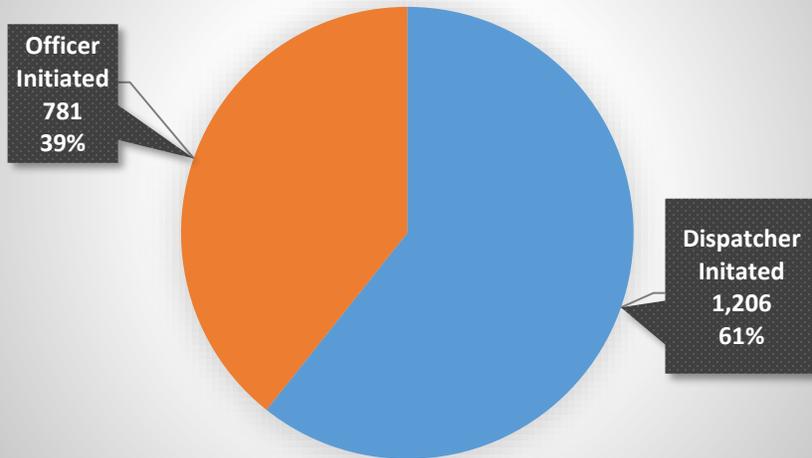
Dispatcher Initiated Calls for Service

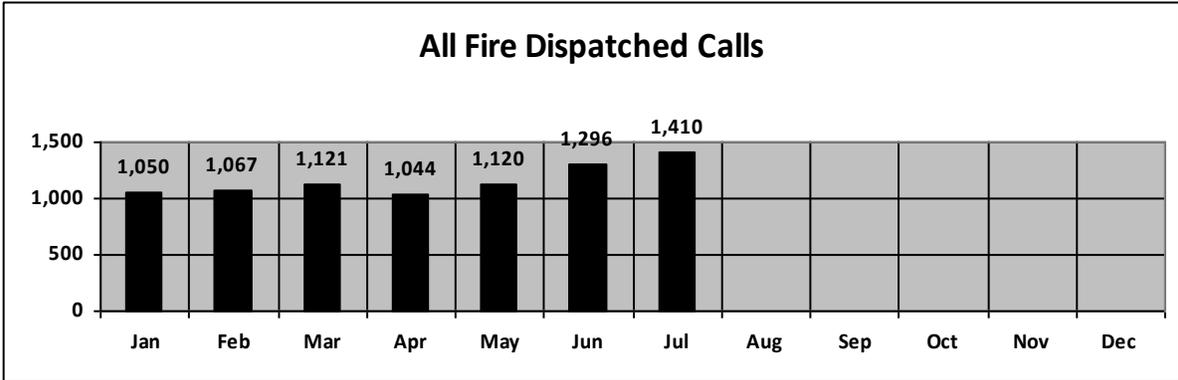
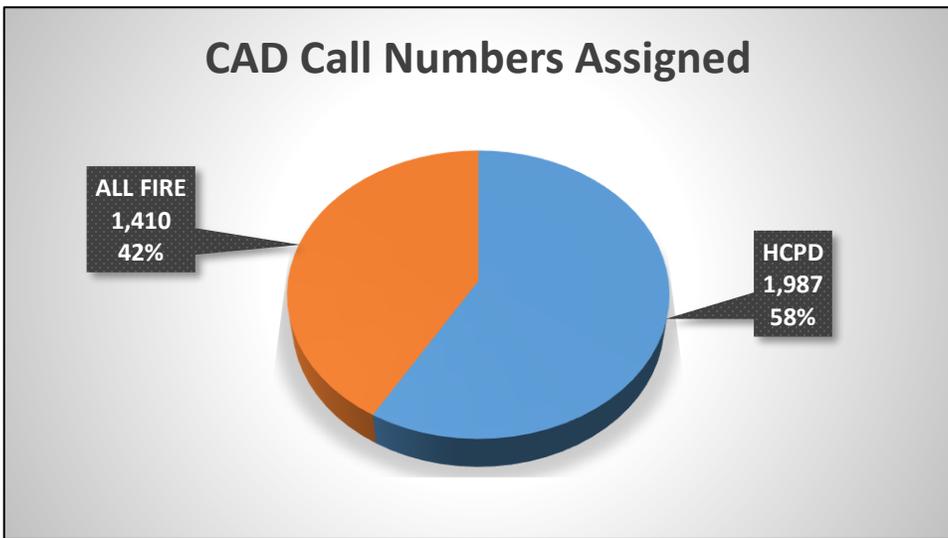
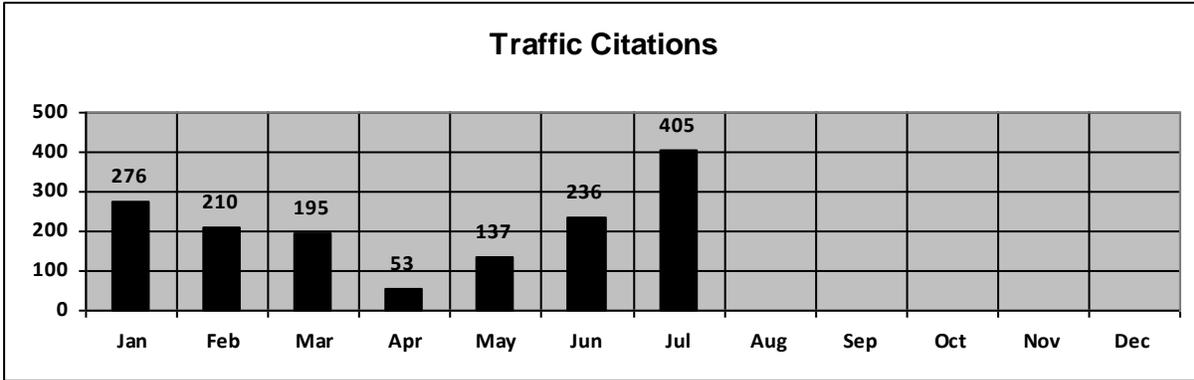


Officer Initiated Calls for Service



Police Calls for Service





COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

Together as One

The 4th of July is the most demanding holiday for the communications division because of the high number of fires and calls associated with fireworks.



Considerable planning is needed for the day. This year, the schedule was modified to meet the demands for the high volume of radio traffic and calls for police and fire. All dispatchers including the communications manager and three shift supervisors worked. Four dispatchers were assigned to work at the El Paso Regional Communications Center to take calls and handle the Horizon City Police radio transmissions. The five terminals at the Horizon City Police Department were assigned to dispatch all fire radio transmissions. The county fire channel 1 was assigned to the main dispatch response from Clint, Fabens, San Elizario, Socorro, and the West Valley Fire Departments. County fire channels 2 and 3 were reserved for structure fires or major incidents. The Horizon Fire Department was assigned to the 800 MHZ resource radio channel. Fifty-five fire calls and 69 police calls were received between 18:00 and 06:00.

The West Valley Fire Department responded to a structure fire on Doniphan. Dispatch received several calls regarding a firework stand on fire and the fireworks inside igniting. Prior to the fire department's arrival, the reporting parties also advised of vehicles nearby the fire work stand caught fire. Once on scene, the fire crews advised of a fully engulfed stand with multiple vehicle exposures and fireworks continuously going off. The scene was turned over to the fire marshal for investigation.

The Socorro Fire Department responded to a vehicle fire in Socorro. Callers advised of large flames and heavy black smoke coming from a semi-truck fully engulfed. Multiple callers reported loud explosions due to the tires combusting from the high temperatures. Several units responded along with Socorro Police Department officers. A fire investigator was requested to the scene and fire crews cleared.

The Montana Vista Fire Rescue responded to a large fire in Montana Vista. Initially, deputies from the El Paso Sheriff's Department reported a large outside fire. It was soon determined that a vehicle was fully engulfed in the desert area. Upon arrival, fire crews gained access to the gated property and initiated fire attack. Units on scene advised of one vehicle fully engulfed with no other threats or exposures. A fire marshal was requested and the scene was referred to the investigator.

The Socorro, Horizon, and Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo Fire Departments responded to a structure fire in Socorro. Multiple callers advised of a large fire and visual on smoke and flames. Upon arrival, units advised of a residence with fire under the porch and brush fires nearby. The fire was quickly extinguished and fire crews cleared the scene.

The West Valley Fire Department responded to a vehicle fire on the access road near the Anthony exit. Callers advised of a semi truck on fire with flames coming from the

tires. Multiple calls were received regarding the same incident. The fire was quickly put under control by the fire crew.

The Horizon, Socorro, and Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo Fire Departments responded to a structure fire in Sparks. The homeowner reported that the balcony had caught fire on the home. Horizon Fire was first to arrive on scene, established command and initiated offensive strategy fire attack. During investigation, fire crews determined the fire may have spread to the roof. The fire was stopped at the source and a fire marshal unit was requested for further investigation. The Horizon, Socorro, and Clint Sheriff's Office.

The Montana Vista Fire Rescue reported a motor vehicle accident in front of the Montana Vista Fire Department station. Fire crews were on the scene immediately released to the El Paso Sheriff's Office.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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

- Oz Glaze Senior Center Setup for City Council.
- Move three court's users networked equipment to new portable office.
- Installation of new ethernet cable for courts new credit card machine.
- Assist with the rebuild of cloud servers.

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

WARRANTS DIVISION & FLEET OPERATIONS

The warrants officer received two summonses from the court. Both were served. There was one arrest for outstanding traffic warrants. The warrants officer reviewed 15 Child Protective Services cases. The cases were reviewed and closed, or filed with the corresponding case due to allegations of neglect. Bailiff duties were conducted during court proceedings via zoom. The bailiff assisted with maintaining the six feet distance while people were entering the court.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS/EVIDENCE

Detectives Rodriguez and Labrado investigated cases ranging from an accident involving property damage, sexual coercion, and sexual assaults. The detectives investigated five unattended deaths. The detectives presented eight sexual assault cases to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution. Lieutenant Ortega signed 25 cases at the District Attorney's Office and were accepted for prosecution. Lieutenant Ortega attended several meetings via zoom. Some of the meetings were with STARS and the Texas Department of Transportation. Lieutenant Ortega attended the monthly eight-hour day of Crisis Negotiation Training at the Sheriff's Office.

FORENSICS UNIT

The evidence technician conducted eight open records requests for video from the officer's body cameras. The District Attorney's Office submitted ten requests for videos for cases ranging from DWI to assaults. 42 items were submitted to Texas Department of Public Safety crime lab to include drugs and blood kits that were submitted for analysis.

CRIME PREVENTION/COMMUNITY SERVICES

Coffee With A Cop

Coffee With A Cop was postponed due to COVID-19. However, as an alternative to meeting with community members in person, Sergeant Mitre responded to several community issues which were reported via Tip411, Facebook Messenger, and via telephone. Such concerns and complaints included:

- "Junk" vehicles in neighborhoods
- Children riding ATV's on streets
- Stop Sign violations on Cocotitlan & Desierto Bonito
- Stop Sign violations on Antwerp & Desierto Bonito
- Stop Sign violations on Desert Fire & Desert Sage

The resolution from concerns listed above ranged from verbal warnings to multiple citations which were issued in areas of concern.

Child Passenger Seat Inspections

Sergeant Mitre received an extension to renew her child safety seat certification due to the issuing entity closing down due to COVID-19. Sergeant Mitre conducted two car seat inspections. Both inspections were conducted during the food pantry events.

Explorer Program

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

July 1	July 8
July 15	July 29

Citizen Police Academy on Hold

Citizen Police Academy remains on hold due to COVID-19.

Community Presentations & Other Community Events

On July 27th, Sergeant Mitre presented at the West Texas Driving Academy. Sergeant Mitre spoke to the group about what to expect during traffic stops and touched basis on texting and drinking laws pertaining to underage drivers.

HCPD also participated in various community parade style celebrations.

July 11 – HHS Graduation

July 25 – Child Birthday

D.A.R.E.

Dare instruction was postponed due to COVID-19.

Facebook Live & Other Social Media Activity

Social media activity was kept to a minimum due to seemingly ongoing social tension regarding a national police interaction event. Social Media activity will resume in August.

4th of July Summer Festival & Fireworks Show

Our annual summer event was cancelled due to COVID-19 uncertainties. However, the fireworks program is rescheduled for Sunday July 4, 2021.

COVID-19 Modified Work Assignments

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

Food Pantry Traffic Control

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 Dr. Officers direct traffic entering and exiting the church parking lot to minimize hazards to community members walking, jogging, and biking in the area, as well as vehicles driving through to enter the adjacent neighborhoods.

TRAINING

Taser Transition course (2 hours): Course is designed for the offices to become familiar with the X2 taser and its use. Attended by Chavez, Greseth, Rosas, H. Sierra, Ortega, Delgadillo, M. Sierra, JC Rodriguez, Zeiger, and Labrado.

Taser Recertification User update (2 hours): Course is designated to assist officers in keeping up to date in the use and applicability. Attended by Chavez, Greseth, Rosas, H. Sierra, Ortega, Delgadillo, M. Sierra, JC Rodriguez, Zeiger, and Labrado.

Basic Life Support (CPR 4 hours): Course teaches the emergency lifesaving procedures performed when the heart stops beating. Attended by Molina, Acosta, and Sanchez.

Intermediate Accident Investigation (40 hours): This course introduces the officer to basic drawing skills needed for preparing scale diagrams of the scene of a vehicle crash. Officers will learn five basic formulas that are used to determine the minimum speed or combined speed of a vehicle based on skid and/or yaw marks. Attended by H. Sierra 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:

- Rear sit out take down (10min)
- Same Side Grab Weapon retention (10 min)
- Single hand draw from the waist band (10 min)

Vincible Roll Call

- Preventing self harm (10 mi)
- Force Truths (10 min)

TOTAL TRAINING HOURS FOR THE MONTH: 153 hours

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McConnell
Chief of Police

CNTYFD Monthly Count of Events

Report Date: 8/1/2020 3:00:08 AM

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date From: 7/1/2020 00:00:00

Report Date To: 7/31/2020 23:59:59

Municipality	Count
CLFD	77
FAFD	138
HCFD	424
MVFD	156
SCFD	300
SEFD	113
WVFD	202
Total	1410

HCPD Monthly Count Of Calls

El Paso 911 CAD Reports

Report Date: 8/1/2020 2:00:24 AM

Report Date From: 7/1/2020 00:00:00

Report Date To: 7/31/2020 23:59:59

Count of PD Calls:	1206
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Count of OV Calls:	781
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Count of MVA Events:	30
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Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Number of TRAFFIC Offenses (for *ALL*)	523
Number of CITATIONS	405
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	106
No Drivers License (3103)	75
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	51
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	21
Speeding (21-25 Miles Over) (3001C)	19
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	16
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	8
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	7
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	7
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	6
Defective Tail Lamp(s) (3167)	6
Driving While License Invalid Under Provisions of DL Laws (3101)	6
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	6
Speeding (26 + Miles Over) (3001D)	6
Fail to Control Speed (3050)	5
Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)	5
Expired Drivers License (3259)	5
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2100)	4
Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change (3096)	4
Ran Red Light (3007)	2
Change Name/Mailing Address Later Than 30 Days (CDL) (3302)	2
Possession of Alcohol By Minor (3800)	2
Failed to /Signal Intent to Turn (3097)	2
Operate Motor Vehicle Displaying Insigni a Assigned to Another M/V (3666)	2
Failed to Yield ROW Turning Left (3055)	2
Fail to Stop-Designated Point/Crosswalk (3060)	2

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Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060)	2
Open Container (3323)	2
Equipment/Missing or None (3627)	1
Failed to Yield at Yield Intersection (3053)	1
Failed to Stop at Proper Place (Traffic Light) (3063)	1
Unsafe Backing (3316)	1
Parent/Guardian Permitted Unlicensed Minor to Drive (3364)	1
Disregard Official Traffic Control Device (3059)	1
Turned Right from Wrong Lane (3012)	1
Assault (1100)	1
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	1
Drove without Lights (When Required) (3198)	1
Consumption of Alcohol By Minor (3803)	1
Expired Paper Dealer Plate (0000I)	1
No Seat Belt- Passenger (3033)	1
Noise Disturbance (0049A)	1
Curfew (0038)	1
Defective Turn Signal Lamp(s) (3172)	1
Unrestrained Child 8 YOA or Younger (3031A)	1
No License Plate Light (3274)	1
Theft Under \$100.00 (1020)	1
Failed to Yield ROW to Emergency Vehcile (3057)	1
Driving Under The Influence -Minor (3806)	1
Failed to Yield Right of Way (3005C)	1
Muffler Violation (3227)	1
Display Unclean License Plates/Obstrcted (3658)	1
Number of WARNINGS	118
Speeding (11-20 Miles Over) (3001B)	28
Speeding (1-10 MILES OVER) (3001A)	20

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Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

No Drivers License (3103)	13
Expired Registration/Plates (3656)	6
Fail to Maintain Financial Responsibility (3049)	6
Defective Stop Lamp(s) (3170)	5
Fail to Stop Designated Point/ Marked Stop Line (3060)	4
Defective Head Lamps (3162A)	4
Operate Motor Vehicle Without License Plate or with One License Plate (3667)	4
Violate DL Restriction (3106)	3
Fail to Display Drivers License (3263)	3
Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle (3668)	3
Fail TO Report Change of Address/Name (3264)	3
Drove without Lights (When Required) (3198)	2
Failed to Signal Turn/Lane Change (3096)	2
Ran Red Light (3007)	2
Defective Parking Lamp(s) (3174)	1
Fail to Stop-Designated Point/Crosswalk (3060)	1
Fail to Stop Designated Point/Has View of Approaching Traffic (3060)	1
Drove Truck on Prohibited Street (0093)	1
Failed to Yield ROW Turning Left (3055)	1
Fail to Yield Row From Private Property (3005)	1
Unsafe Speed/Too Fast for conditions (3002)	1
Expired Drivers License (3259)	1
Failed to Stop at Proper Place (Traffic Light) (3063)	1
No License Plate Light (3274)	1

Number of PARKING Offenses (for *ALL*)	11
Number of WARNINGS	4
Parked Facing Traffic - \$53.00 (3561)	2



Citation Offense Count By Stop Type

Parked in Prohibited Area - \$53.00 (3553)	1
Parked w/ Wheels Over 18 In From Curb/Edge of Rdwy - \$53.00 (3564)	1
Number of CITATIONS	7
Parked in Prohibited Area - \$53.00 (3553)	3
Parking/Standing w/i 15 Ft of Fire Hydrant - \$53.00 (3569)	2
Illegal Parking of Large Trucks/Tractor/Trailer \$53.00 (0093B)	2