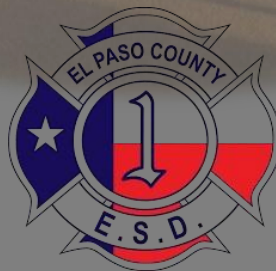


Horizon City Police Department



January 2025 Report

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INTRODUCTION

MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Horizon City Police Department to provide professional services with integrity and dedication, to preserve life, to enforce the law, and to work in partnership with the community to enhance the quality of life in the Town of Horizon City.

CORE VALUES

Integrity: The Horizon City Police Department is built upon a foundation of ethical and professional conduct. We are committed to the highest level of moral principles and ethics. All members of the department will adhere to the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics, which is a part of this manual.

- **Honesty:** We will be always truthful and trustworthy.
- **Fairness:** We are committed to equal application of the law to offenders and members of the public as well as the equal application of rules and regulations to all members of the department.
- **Courage:** We are dedicated to meeting all challenges with the courage needed to accomplish our mission.
- **Compassion:** We understand our role as community caretakers and temper our application of the law with compassion and empathy.

GOALS

- Decrease NIBRS Crimes by 10 percent.
- Increase public awareness of our department through transparency through in-person and media communication.
- Assist in developing our staff professionally by increasing training hours by 25%
- Achieve Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies Certification for Communications
- Increase our collaborative efforts with other Law Enforcement agencies.

OBJECTIVES

- Provide vigorous preventative and enforcement activities
- Focus on critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Establish and maintain strong working relationships with members of our community
- Ensure requests for service from citizens are dispatched promptly
- Ensure public safety responders are provided the necessary tactical and operational equipment and support to carry out their assigned duties
- Provide informational presentations to community members on crime related topics.

DEMOGRAPHICS

The Horizon City Police Department is comprised of 30 officers and 20 communication specialists. The Police Department are entrusted to patrol approximately 8.5 square miles and provide public safety services for approximately 22,000 residents. Our communications Division is charged with providing emergency phone and dispatch services to the Police Department and approximately 170,000 residents for Fire and Emergency Services under Emergency Management District #1 and Emergency Management District #2.

STAFFING

The Chief of Police oversees the Assistant Chief and the Communications Manager. The Assistant Chief of Police oversees the 2 Lieutenants and oversees the Detectives and other investigative personnel. The Patrol Lieutenants oversee the Patrol Sergeants. The Communications Shift Supervisors report to the Communications Manager. The Department consists of primarily Four operational divisions.

- The Patrol Division is overseen by 1 Lieutenant.
- Criminal Investigations Division overseen by a Lieutenant
- Communications Division overseen by the Communications Manager
- Support and Administrative Functions overseen by the Chief of Police

LAW ENFORCEMENT STAFFING

Law Enforcement Positions	Allotted	Current	Vacancy
Chief of Police	1	1	0
Assistant Chief of Police	1	1	0
Lieutenants	3	3	0
Sergeants	5	4	1
Corporals	2	2	0
Detectives	4	4	0
Officers	18	14	4
Crime Scene Technicians	2	2	0
Civilians	2	2	0

COMMUNICATIONS STAFFING

Communication Positions	Allotted	Current	Vacancy
Communications Manager	1	1	0
Communications Manager Assistant	1	1	0
Communications Supervisor	3	3	0
Dispatchers	13	11	2

ADMINISTRATION

BUDGET

FYU 2024 - 2025 Budget	Original Budget	Available Budget	Encumbrances	Requisitions	Percentage Remaining
PD	\$2,507,969.00	\$1,769,309.03	\$148,240.70	\$32,848.64	70.55%
Communications	\$897,741.00	\$634,925.67	\$24,705.13	\$836.13	70.72%

Overtime	Amount Appropriated FY 2024 - 2025	Amount Expended December 2024	Balance	Percentage Remaining
PD	\$67,500.00	\$26,049.32	\$12,448.99	18.44%
Communications	\$44,999.00	\$12,558.26	\$20,146.82	44.77%

PTO TAKEN

Pay Codes	Police Department	Communications
OT	589.25	402
Comp	227.66	1.75
PTO	699.55	247
LWO	128	64
Military	0	0
Training	880	8
Funeral	0	0
Personal	24	0
Holiday	424	0
Injury	0	0
Suspension	0	0

FUEL USAGE

Sergeants	Sgt. G. Rosas	Sgt. H. Sierra	Sgt. B. Avitia	Cpl. V. Vasquez	Total
Gas Used	45.94	35.61	102.13	95.62	279.3
Miles Driven	248	175	561	698	1682
Miles Per Gallon	5.4	4.92	5.49	7.3	5.7775

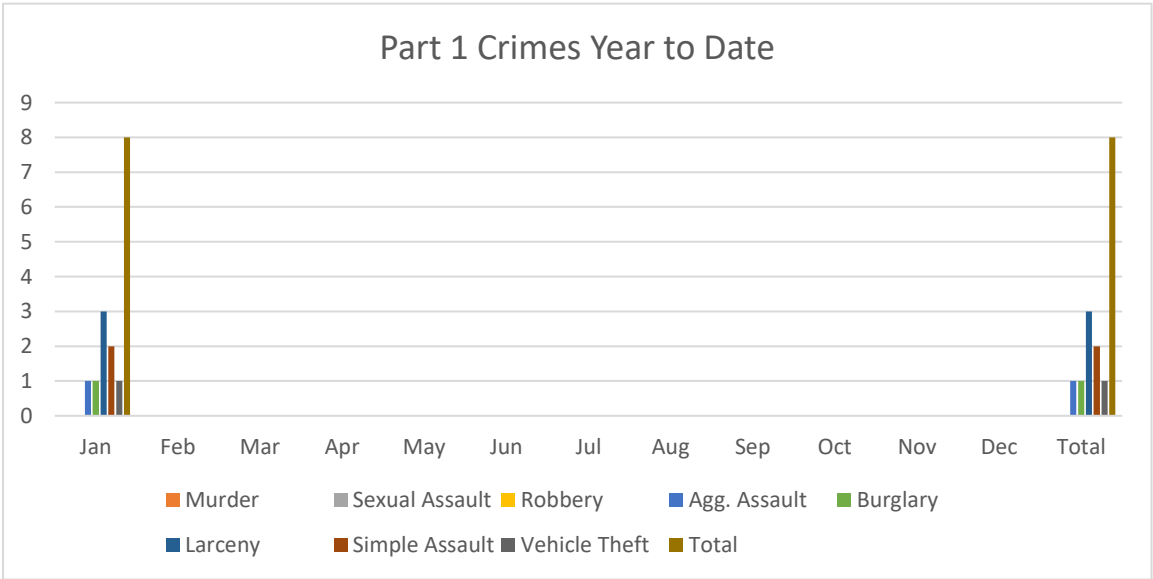
Fuel Usage Summary	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Gas Used (Gal)	279.3												
Miles Driven	1682												
Miles / Gallon	5.7775												

CRIME STATS

It is the goal of our Police Department to reduce NIBRS Crimes by 10 percent. Year to date, we have reported an increase in part one crimes. Our areas of increase have been isolated to property crimes. We show an 89.66% decrease overall compared to last month. Below is the chart designating our specific crime numbers.

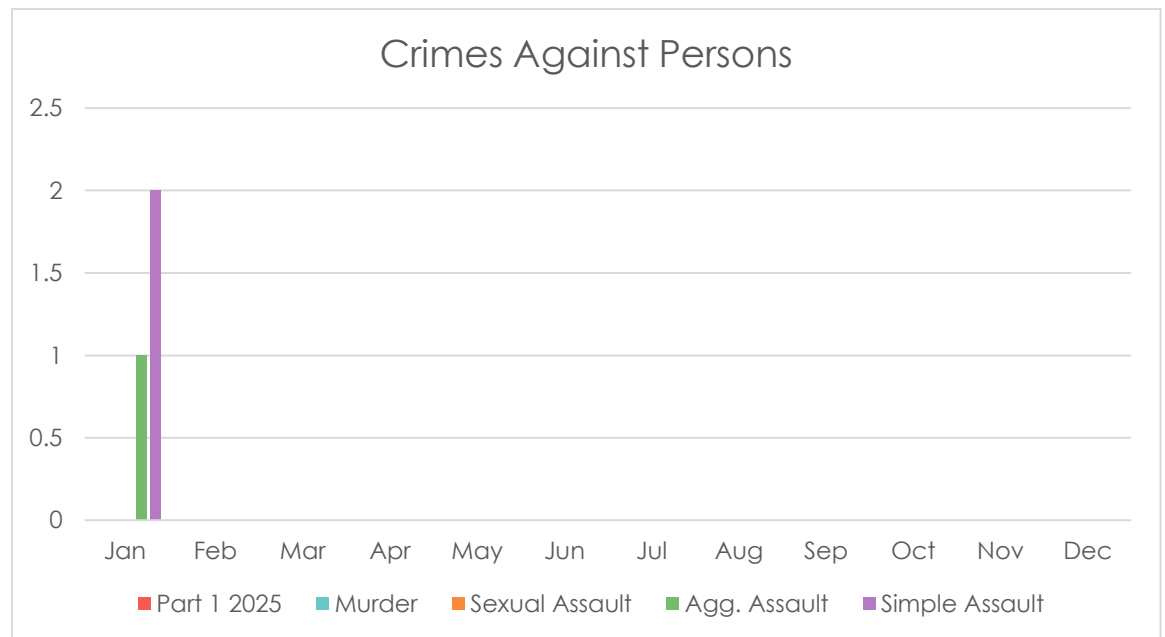
2025 PART 1 CRIMES YEAR TO DATE

Part 1 2025	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Murder	0												0
Sexual Assault	0												0
Robbery	0												0
Agg. Assault	1												1
Burglary	1												1
Larceny	3												3
Simple Assault	2												2
Vehicle Theft	1												1
Total	8												8



CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS PART 1 CRIMES YEAR TO DATE

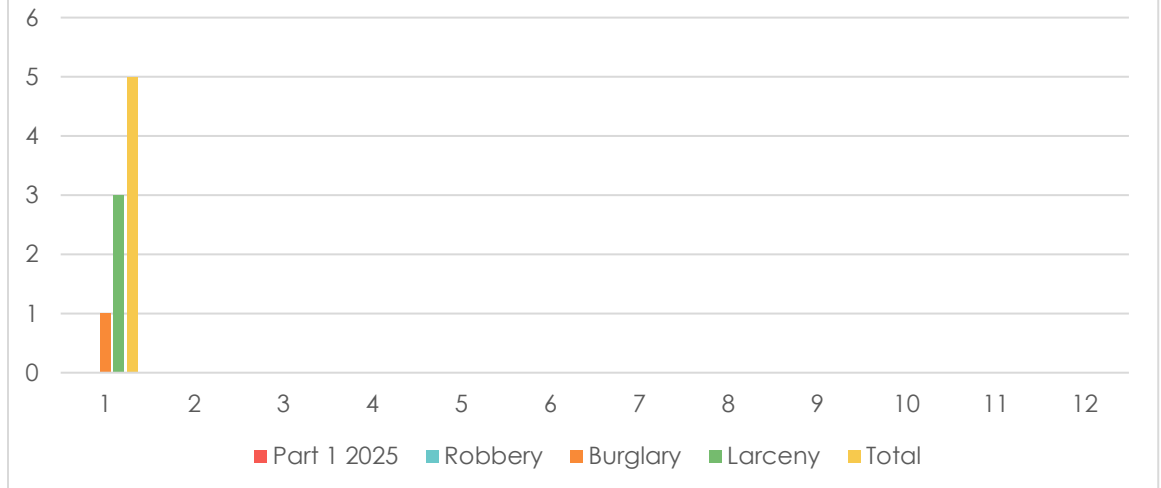
Part 1 2025	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Murder	0												0
Sexual Assault	0												0
Agg. Assault	1												1
Simple Assault	2												2
Total	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3



CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY PART 1 CRIMES YEAR TO DATE

Part 1 2025	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Robbery	0												0
Burglary	1												1
Larceny	3												3
Vehicle Theft	1												1
Total	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5

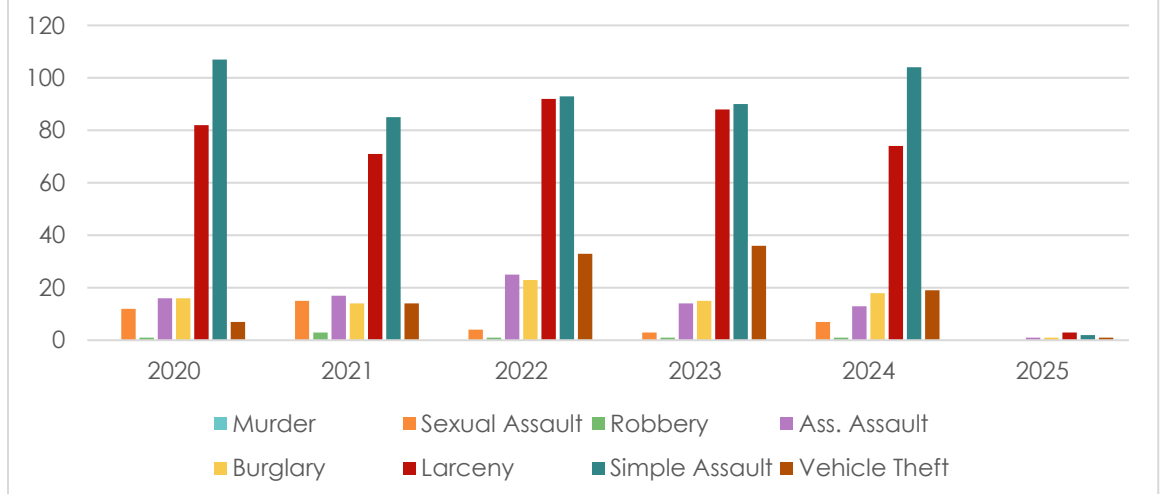
Crimes Against Property

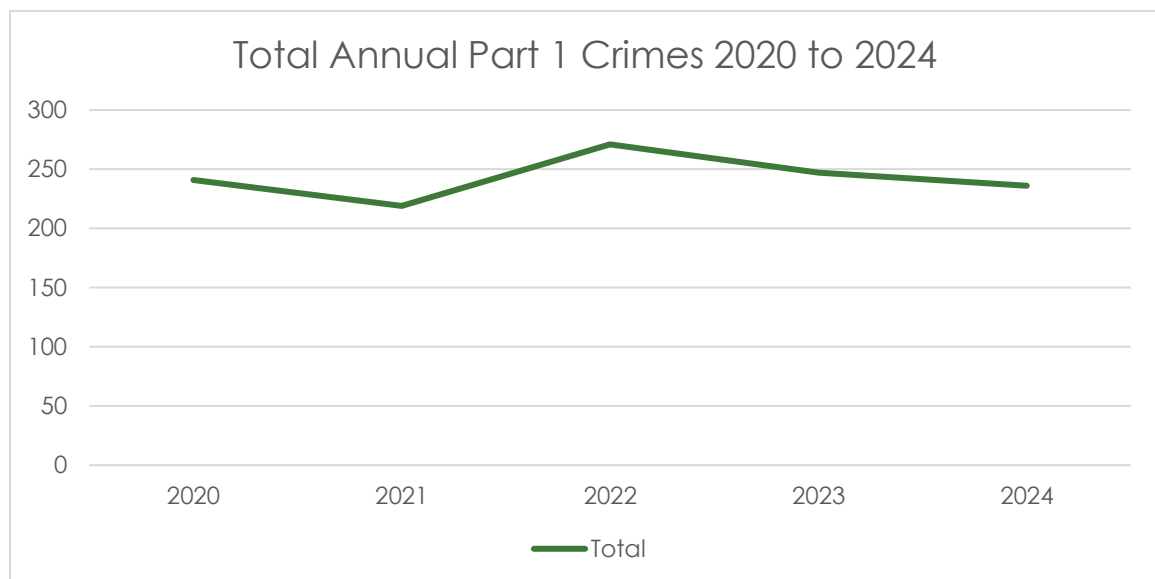


PART 1 CRIMES 2020 TO 2025

Part 1 Crimes	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Total
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	12	15	4	3	7	0	41
Robbery	1	3	1	1	1	0	7
Ass. Assault	16	17	25	14	13	1	86
Burglary	16	14	23	15	18	1	87
Larceny	82	71	92	88	74	3	410
Simple Assault	107	85	93	90	104	2	481
Vehicle Theft	7	14	33	36	19	1	110
Total	241	219	271	247	236	8	1222

Annual Part 1 Crimes 2020 to 2025





PATROL DIVISION

The Patrol Division is commanded by Lieutenant John C. Rodriguez. Daily activity data is compiled and analyzed in conjunction with our criminal investigations and crime preventive divisions. The division is comprised of 1 Lieutenant, 3 Sergeants, 3 Corporals and 12 Patrol Officers. They operate 24 hours a day 7 days a week on 12-hour shifts. The shifts and days off rotate every 56 days.

Our Data Driven Approach to Traffic and Crime Safety is our patrol strategy designed to focus on the hot spot areas for accidents and criminal incidents. Below are the hotspot locations and number of contacts charts.

TOP 5 TRAFFIC COLLISION AREAS

Locations	Crashes
Total Crashes for the Month of January	29 (4 Less than December)
N. Kenazo Ave. / Bill Newkirk	5
S. Darrington Rd. / Pawling	4
Ashford St. / Elgin Dr.	2
S. Darrington Rd. / Antwerp St.	2
Horizon Blvd. / Rifton St.	2

TRAFFIC CONTACTS

2025	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total
Sgt. Rosas	131												131
Sgt. Sierra	33												33
Sgt. Avitia	85												85
Cpl. Vasquez	100												100
Totals	349	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	349

CALLS FOR SERVICE

Monthly Calls for Service	Sgt. Rosas	Sgt. Sierra	Sgt. Avitia	Cpl. Vasquez	Totals
Dispatched Calls	190	155	253	185	783
Self Initiated Calls	192	181	380	237	990
Incident Reports	9	7	14	6	36
Crash Reports	12	7	9	3	31
Total	403	350	656	431	1840

ARRESTS YEAR TO DATE

Arrest Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Totals
Felony Arrests	4												4
Misdemeanor Arrests	9												9
Sgt. Rosas													
Felony Arrests	3												3
Misdemeanor Arrests	3												3
Sgt. Sierra													
Felony Arrests	0												0
Misdemeanor Arrests	2												2
Sgt. Avitia													
Felony Arrests	1												1
Misdemeanor Arrests	2												2
Cpl. Vasquez													
Felony Arrests	0												0
Misdemeanor Arrests	2												2

PRESENTATIONS

Officer Victoria Hernandez has been helping organize community events and presentations. His training included public speaking and developing valuable crime analytic techniques which will help our agency better serve our Horizon City community by identifying patterns, suspects, and helping our patrol officers accomplish the mission of serving by creating a targeted patrol strategy.

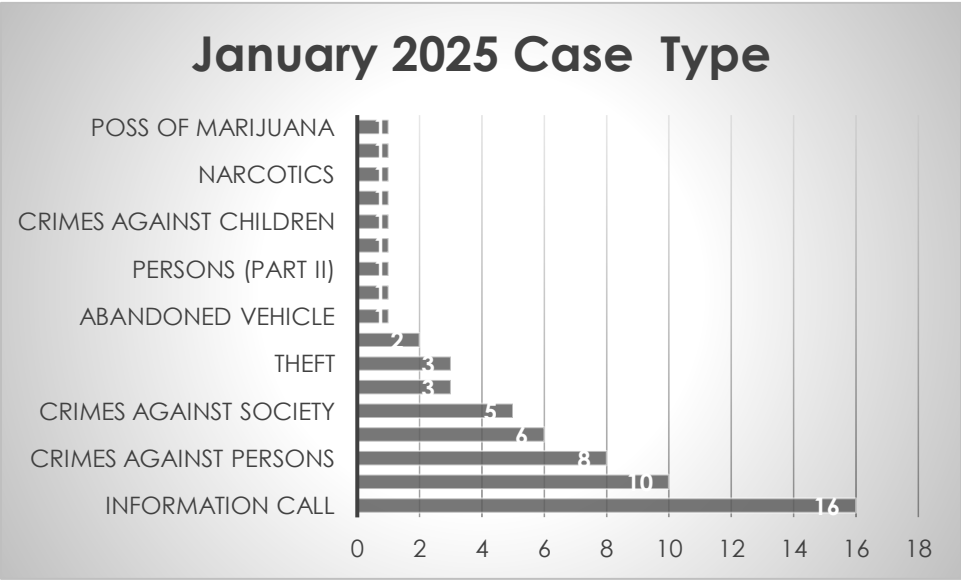
Activity Summary	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total YTD
Presentations	2												2

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

Lieutenant Kaycee Valdez leads our Criminal Investigations Division, overseeing a team of three detectives. They handle a wide range of cases, from misdemeanors to serious felonies, working diligently to collect evidence and collaborate with various partners for thorough investigations.

Lieutenant Valdez and her team are dedicated to upholding the law and ensuring community safety. Their focus spans across different criminal activities, with a commitment to justice and effective collaboration with other law enforcement agencies, forensic experts, and legal professionals.

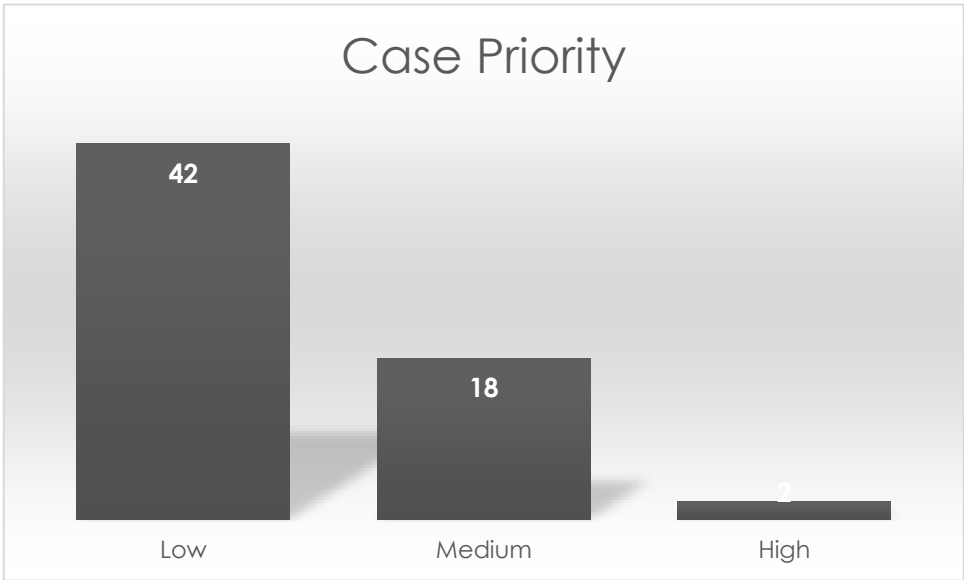
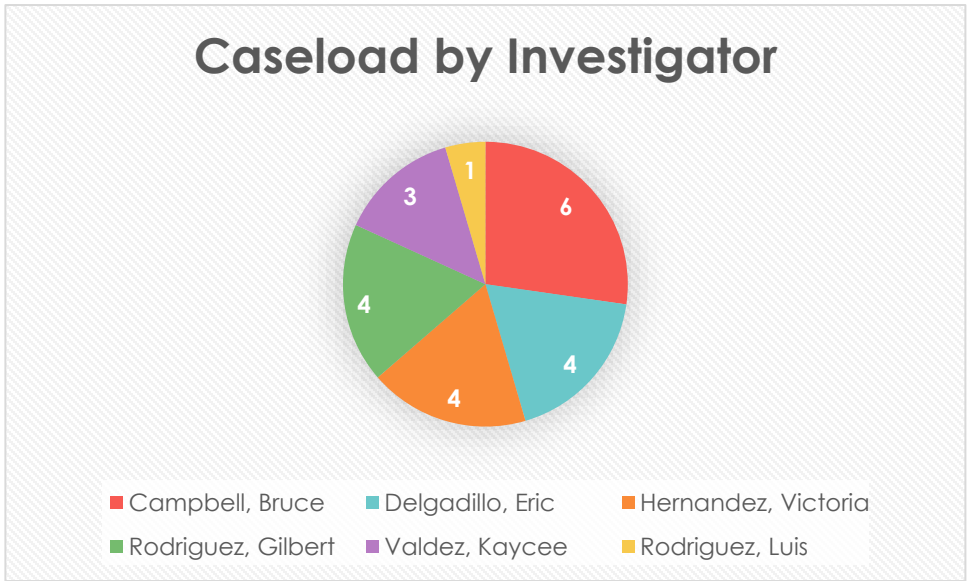
CASES BY TYPE



CASE RESOLUTION



CASELOAD BY INVESTIGATOR



NOTABLE ACTIVITIES FOR CID, TRAFFIC, FORENSICS & WARRANTS SECTION

Throughout January, our detective division dedicated countless hours to tackling some of the most challenging cases, crimes against children. Every day, we meticulously sifted through evidence, conducted interviews, and collaborated with specialized units, ensuring no detail was overlooked. It wasn't easy, but our persistence paid off. We successfully arrested a suspect in a heartbreaking case involving parents allegedly using illicit substances around their children, so much so that the children tested positive. It was a difficult case, but securing justice for those children made every long hour worthwhile. At the end of the day, this is why we do what we do: to protect the most vulnerable and hold accountable those

who put them in harm's way. Special thanks to Detective Gilbert Rodriguez for going above and beyond to bring this investigation to completion.

This month, our detective squad also welcomed a new sergeant, Luis D. Rodriguez, to the team. With nearly 30 years in law enforcement, the majority spent investigating narcotics and leading teams, he brings a wealth of experience. He's all business, direct and no-nonsense, but it's clear he's here to make a difference. From day one, he's set the tone with his straight-to-the-point approach, pushing us to be sharper, work smarter, and remain relentless in our investigations. He holds us to a high standard, not for the sake of it, but because he understands what's at stake. With Sergeant Rodriguez leading the way, our squad is more than ready for whatever comes next, and we're fortunate to have him.

TRAFFIC DIVISION

Officer Eric Delgadillo assumes the responsibility of enforcing commercial vehicle regulations, conducting thorough inspections to address both minor administrative discrepancies, colloquially referred to as "paper" infractions, and more significant lapses in essential safety equipment maintenance.

His contribution is instrumental in mitigating potential risks that could result in severe accidents. Officer Delgadillo's efforts contribute significantly to upholding road safety standards and ensuring compliance within the commercial transportation sector, as evidenced by his commitment to addressing and rectifying regulatory violations.

Every detailed roadside inspection can take upwards of 2 hours to complete. During the month of December, Officer Eric Delgadillo conducted 3 inspections and found 2 commercial vehicles not road worthy.

Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement	Activity Summary
Traffic Contacts	8
Written Warnings	3
Citations	19
Crash Reports	1
Criminal Reports	5
Number of Arrests	0
Hours Spent Supporting Patrol	11
Quarter Master Support Hours	12
Specialized Training Hours	4
Hours as Training Instructor	37
Hours Spent Accident Investigation	28
Hours Spent Participating in Community Events	6
Commercial Vehicle Inspections	9

Commercial Vehicles Placed Out of Service	12
Drivers Placed Out of Service	2
Commercial Vehicle Violations Found During Inspections	109
Hours Supporting Fleet Management	5

The motorcycle's nimble mobility further enables the officer to swiftly traverse the city, providing valuable assistance to fellow officers during calls for service. This enhanced responsiveness and versatility contribute significantly to our overall law enforcement capabilities and community safety efforts. The addition of a motorcycle officer has proven to be an asset in addressing dynamic situations and optimizing our resources for effective public service.

Motorcycle Traffic Enforcement	Activity Summary
Number of Traffic Contacts	0
Number of Written Warnings	0
Number of Citations	0
Number of Arrests	0
Number of Crash Reports	0
Number of Criminal Reports	0
Quarter Master Support Hours	0
Hours Spent Accident Investigation	0
Hours Participating in Community Events	0
Specialized Training Hours	0
Hours Supporting Patrol Division	0
Hours Supporting Fleet Management	0

FORENSICS UNIT

Bernadette Ortega stands out as a valuable asset to our team, taking on the role of Crime Scene and Evidence Lead with exceptional expertise. Her extensive experience positions her among the top professionals in the state, bringing a wealth of knowledge to our forensic endeavors. Working alongside her is Officer Abraham Diaz, who also plays a pivotal role in the Crime Scene and Evidence department. Together, they seamlessly combine their skills to handle forensic evidence and conduct meticulous crime scene investigations. Their collaborative efforts embody the highest standards of forensic work, ensuring the team excels in accuracy and efficiency.

Forensic Unit Responsibilities	
Activity	Hours
Training Instructor Hours	46.5

In Service Training Hours	27.5
Hours Spent Processing Evidence	45.9
Hours Spent Managing Evidence Room	36.5
Hours Spent Processing Open Records Material	16.8
Walk Ins for Fingerprints	7
Hours Responding to Active Crime Scene	1
Items Submitted to Laboratory for Analysis	4
Evidence Returned from Laboratory with Leads	2
Total Items returned from Laboratory	0

WARRANTS DIVISION AND BAILIFF

Officers who take on the bailiff assignment perform a multifaceted role within the law enforcement department, serving as the Court Bailiff and the Warrants Officer. Their contributions make them an indispensable member of our law enforcement team. As the primary point of contact for matters pertaining to the municipal court, convened biweekly, the officers ensure the seamless functioning of court proceedings.

Executing traffic warrants and referring arrestees to the municipal court benefits the community by enhancing public safety and promoting legal compliance. Addressing outstanding warrants ensures that individuals who might be driving illegally are held accountable, reducing the risk of traffic incidents and improving road safety. Additionally, this process encourages adherence to traffic laws, fostering a culture of lawfulness and responsibility among drivers.

During the month of January the bailiff assignment remained vacant due to staffing issues faced by the department. We anticipate assigning an officer to the court in the coming months of February/March.

SORT PROGRAM

Our SORT program is temporarily on hold as the officer assigned to it earned a promotion to detective. WE anticipate that the SORT program will resume in February/March 2025.

SORT Program Activities	Hours
Hours Dedicated to SORT Program	0
Hours Dedicated to Community Relations Program	0
Hours Dedicated to Patrol Support	0
Hours Dedicated to Investigation	0
Hours Dedicated to Fleet Support	0
Hours Dedicated to Specialized Training	0
Hours Dedicated to Specialized Teams	0

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

The Communications Division is a vital component of public safety, managing emergency and non-emergency calls for the Horizon City Police Department (HCPD) and Emergency Services Districts (ESD) #1 and #2. Led by Communications Manager Elva Ramos, the division includes 1 Communications Assistant, 3 Shift Supervisors, and 13 Communications Specialists who ensure efficient response times and operational effectiveness.

RESPONSE TIMES

Response Times	Average Call to Arrival	Average Dispatch to Arrival	Actual	Target
Priority 1-3 Pending to Arrival less than or equal to 8 minutes	0:05:21	0:03:44	100.00%	90.00%
Priority 4-6 Pending to Arrival less than or equal to 12 minutes	0:14:55	0:10:57	78.75%	80.00%
Priority 7-9 Pending to Arrival less than or equal to 15 minutes	0:15:58	0:07:59	96.14%	70.00%

HORIZON POLICE CALLS FOR SERVICE

	Dispatched	Self-Initiated	Mobile Date Terminal Calls	Total
Horizon Police	810	1295	571	2676

ESD 1 CALLS FOR SERVICE

	Alarm	Assist	Brush Fire	Car Fire	Water Gas Leaks	Medical	MVA	Structure Fire	Total
Horizon Fire	52	32	9	2	35	285	43	9	467

ESD 2 CALLS FOR SERVICE

	Alarm	Assist	Brush Fire	Car Fire	Water Gas Leaks	Medical	MVA	Structure Fire	Total
Clint	1	3	9	1	1	44	9	2	70
Fabens	7	4	5	1	0	92	6	4	119
Montana Vista	5	5	11	0	9	83	6	2	121
San Elizario	4	7	2	1	6	123	8	1	152
Socorro	18	14	6	1	13	193	38	8	291
West Valley	18	8	12	1	14	103	19	5	180
Total	53	41	45	5	43	638	86	22	933

How to be the Leader your Center Needs

Shift Supervisors Stephanie Cortes and Sheila Tarango attended the eight hour "How to be the Leader your Center Needs" course held at



the El Paso Regional Communications Center. One of the most difficult positions in communications is that of being a supervisor. One day you are a part of the group, the next day you are the boss with little preparation for the new role. To manage the transition effectively, it is important to understand what to focus on, whether it is navigating conflict or setting a leadership example. The course offered essential tools for success in the supervisor role and how to make a positive impact at the center.

Texas Crime Information Center (TCIC) Audit

On January 30th, a TCIC audit was conducted. The TCIC audit is an essential process to ensure that law enforcement agencies in Texas are adhering to both state and federal guidelines when it comes to the management and usage of the Texas Crime Information Center (TCIC) database. It serves as a safeguard to confirm that sensitive criminal justice data such as information about wanted persons, stolen vehicles, missing persons and protective orders is accessed and shared appropriately. The audit helps prevent misuse of this sensitive information, ensuring law enforcement officers are using the system correctly and maintaining public trust.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Coffee With A Cop at Amber's Coffee Bar- January 17, 2025

At the Coffee with a Cop event on January 17, 2025, members of our community sat down with officers over coffee to talk about issues that matter to them. Two concerns came up the most. First, several residents asked for more foot patrols at Golden Eagle Park, especially on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. They felt a stronger police presence during those hours would make the park safer and more inviting for everyone.

Another big concern was traffic violations on Horizon, where No U-Turn signs are frequently ignored. People said they've seen too many close calls, with drivers making illegal turns and nearly causing accidents. They urged officers to keep an eye on those areas to help prevent something serious from happening. The event was a great chance for the community to connect with our officers, and these concerns gave officers a clear idea of where they can step in to make a difference.



Child Passenger Seat Safety Event – January 31, 2025

On January 31, 2025, families gathered at the Horizon City Fire Department for a child passenger seat event aimed at helping parents keep their kids safe on the road. The event focused on assisting families with limited resources by providing free car seat inspections and replacements when needed. Certified officers carefully checked each car seat, making sure they were installed correctly, properly secured, and met current safety standards. They adjusted harnesses, ensured seats were positioned right for each child's age and size, and checked for any signs of wear or expiration. Many parents left with a better understanding of how to safely install and use their car seats. For families who needed them,

officers provided brand-new car seats, making sure no child left without a safe way to ride. The event was a great opportunity to connect with the community and help ensure that every child has the protection they need on the road. 12 children served, 9 car seats issued.



Communication Section Monthly Nominations



Shift Supervisors Sheila Tarango, Anthony Dominguez and Stephanie Cortes, strive to keep operations running smoothly, meet deadlines, and support all telecommunicators to the best of their abilities. Despite the frequent changes to their workload, they do their best to adapt and complete every task asked from them. While they do not seek recognition, they take pride in their commitment to the department, and they simply hope their efforts reflect the level of care and dedication they put into their work each day. Thank you for your dedication and hard work!

Mirna Sierra is an invaluable asset to the team, showcasing not only excellent performance in her tasks but also a strong sense of teamwork and dedication. Her work ethic and commitment to helping others are truly commendable. It's clear she goes the extra mile in her role, which is a great example for others. Thank you!

Great Work

In the month of January, your Horizon City Police Department command staff supervisors attended the first of three weeklong Developing Leaders training sessions alongside the Socorro Police Department, Anthony Police Department and San Elizario Marshall's Office. This training is recognized by the Texas Police Chief's Association.

Your command staff supervisors also attended a Strategic Planning Implementation Workshop which is training that is supported by the Texas Department of Transportation and is designed to show agency personnel how to develop and use quality agency data sources to manage and deploy strategic resources while engaging in the community, to decrease traffic crashes and crime within our community.

Sonya Dozier is a hardworking and dedicated team member who consistently demonstrates a strong work ethic. She arrives on time every day, regardless of the shift she is assigned, and is always prepared to contribute her best. Sonya is also incredibly helpful, regularly stepping in to assist her colleagues whenever needed. Her ability to foster positive relationships and work well with others makes her a valuable asset to the team. We are grateful for the positive impact you bring to the team!