

HORIZON CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT



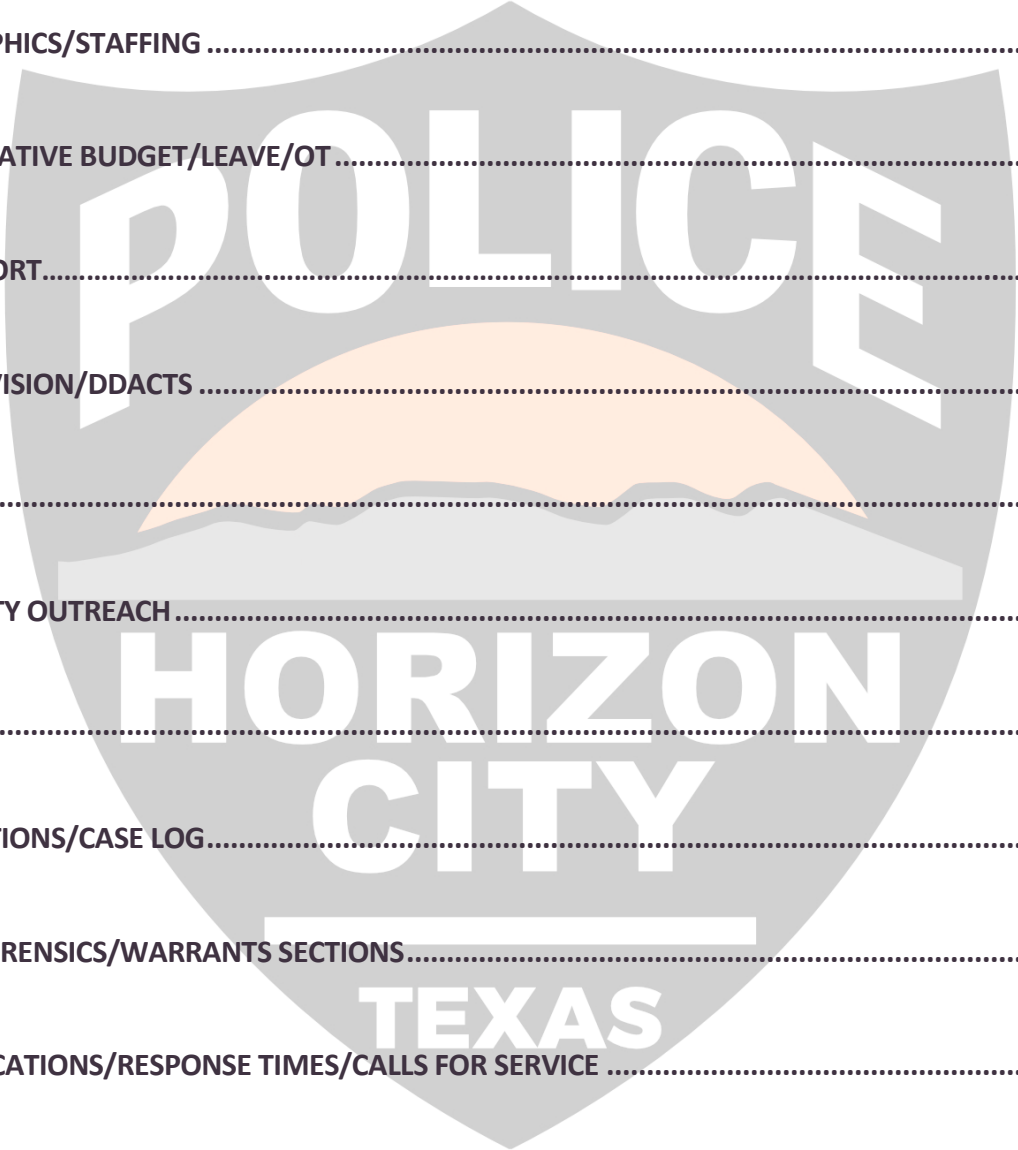
JULY 2023

MONTHLY REPORT

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Introduction

Mission:

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 a working relationship 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.

Horizon City Police Department Monthly Report

This report is designed to provide statistical information illustrating the Horizon Police Department's operations and administrative functions. The statistical information reported will provide staff with guidance for operational planning, workload assessment and statistically compare our productivity to the previous year. It serves to make necessary adjustments in policies and procedures to meet state and national standards for accreditation.

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.

- Patrol Division overseen by 2 Lieutenants
- Criminal Investigations Division overseen by the Assistant Chief
- Communications Division overseen by the Communications Manager
- Support and Administrative Functions overseen by the Chief of Police

Law Enforcement Positions	Allotted	Current	Vacancy
Chief of Police	1	1	0
Assistant Chief	1	1	0
Lieutenants	2	2	0
Sergeants	3	3	0
Corporals	3	3	0
Detectives	3	3	0
Officers	21	19	2
Crime Scene Technician	1	1	0
Civilians	2	2	0

Communication Positions	Allotted	Current	Vacancy
Communications Manager	1	1	0
Communications Supervisor	3	3	0
Dispatchers	16	10	5

Administrative

FY 2022-2023 Budget	Original Budget	Available Budget	Encumbrances	Requisitions	Percentage Remaining
PD	\$1,962,206.00	\$446,755.47	\$ 54,258.07	\$ 33,693.75	22.63 %
Communications	882,042.00	330,456.59	\$ 1,257.11	\$ 5,740.85	37.77 %

Leave	Police Department	Communications
OT	173.5	132.25
Comp	98.5	10.25
PTO	406	168
LWO	0	0
Military	0	32
Training	473	40
Funeral	8	8
Personal	8	0
Holiday	104	128.25
Injury	0	0
Suspension	0	0

Overtime	Amount Appropriated FY 2021-2022	Amount Expended January 2023	Balance	Percentage Remaining 2022
PD	\$ 50,129.00	\$ 7,633.10	\$ -2,004.29	-2.57 %
Communications	\$ 50,384.00	\$ 4,772.58	\$ 13,242.27	26.28 %

Sergeants	Sgt. Juan Nunez	Sgt. Guillermo Rosas	Sgt. John Rodriguez	Administrative	Total
Gas Used	353.58	404.98	298.98	178.02	1,235.56
Miles Driven	400	376	600	350	1726
Miles per Gallon	3.17	4.31	6.01	3.9	17.39

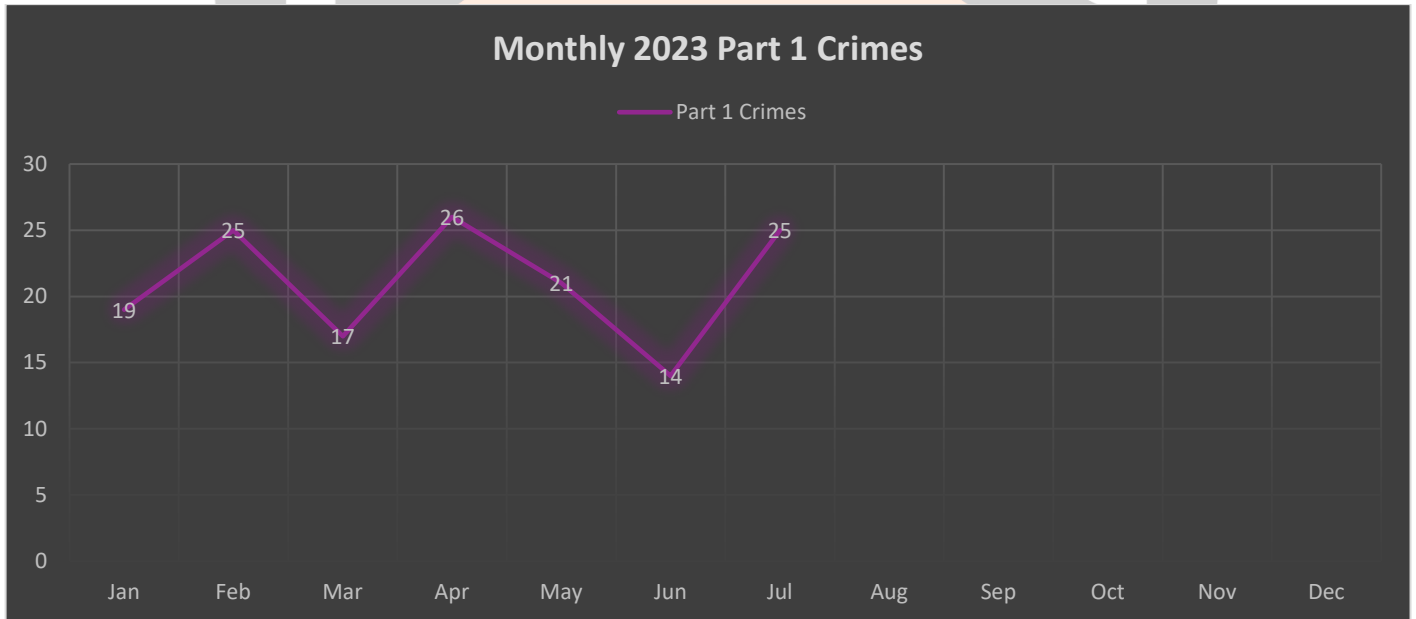
OPERATIONAL SUMMARY	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTALS
GAS USED (GAL)	1643	1520	1685	1587	2134	2245	1908						12722.11
MILES DRIVEN	8859	7894	8056	6488	9078	10,021	18,595						68991
MILES/GALLON	5.39	5.19	4.8	4	6.6	4.46	9.76						100.11

According to the Wex gasoline report there was a 29.7% decrease in gas usage, compared to the month of May.

Crime Report

It is the goal of our Police Department to reduce NIBRS Crimes by 10 percent. Year to date, we are reporting an increase in part one crimes. Our areas of increase have been isolated to property crimes. We show a 24% increase overall compared to last month. Below is the chart designating our specific crime numbers. Below is the chart designating our specific crime numbers.

Part 1 2023	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0
Sexual Assault	1	0	0	1	0	0	0					2
Robbery	0	0	0	0	1	0	0					1
Agg. Assault	3	4	0	2	2	0	0					11
Burglary	2	3	1	1	1	1	3					12
Larceny	7	7	3	12	5	4	9					46
Simple Assault	3	7	10	7	11	5	11					54
Vehicle Theft	3	4	3	3	1	4	2					20
Total	19	25	17	26	21	14	25					147



Month to Month Comparison

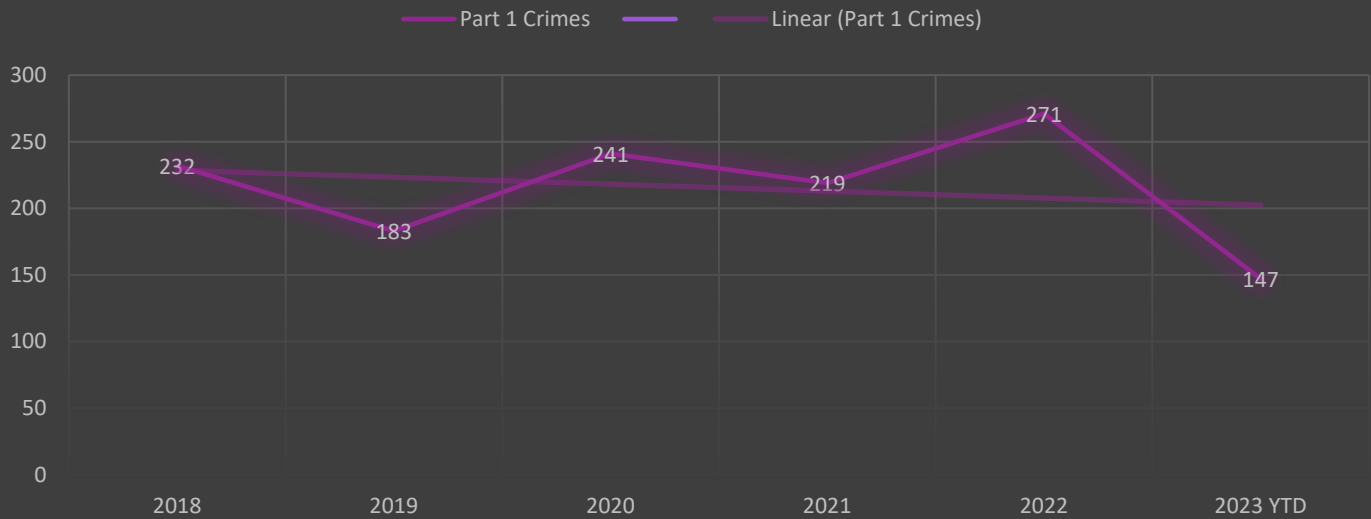


78.5% Increase

Annual Part 1 Crimes

Part 1 Crimes	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	11	9	12	15	4	51
Robbery	6	1	1	3	1	12
Agg. Assault	9	7	16	17	25	74
Burglary	26	17	16	14	23	96
Larceny	93	75	82	71	92	413
Simple Assault	81	70	107	85	93	436
Vehicle Theft	6	4	7	14	33	64
Total	232	183	241	219	271	1146

Annual Part 1 Crimes



Patrol Division

The Patrol Division is commanded by Lieutenant Jesus Ortega for day shift and Acting Lieutenants Sergeants Juan Nunez and Guillermo Rosas on night shift. Lieutenant Kaycee Valdez is at the FBI National Academy. It is comprised of 2 Lieutenants, 3 Sergeants, 3 Corporals and 14 Patrol Officers. They operate 24 hours a day 7 days a week on rotating shifts. The shifts rotate every 56 days while days off rotate every 28 days.

Data Driven Approach to Traffic and Crime Safety

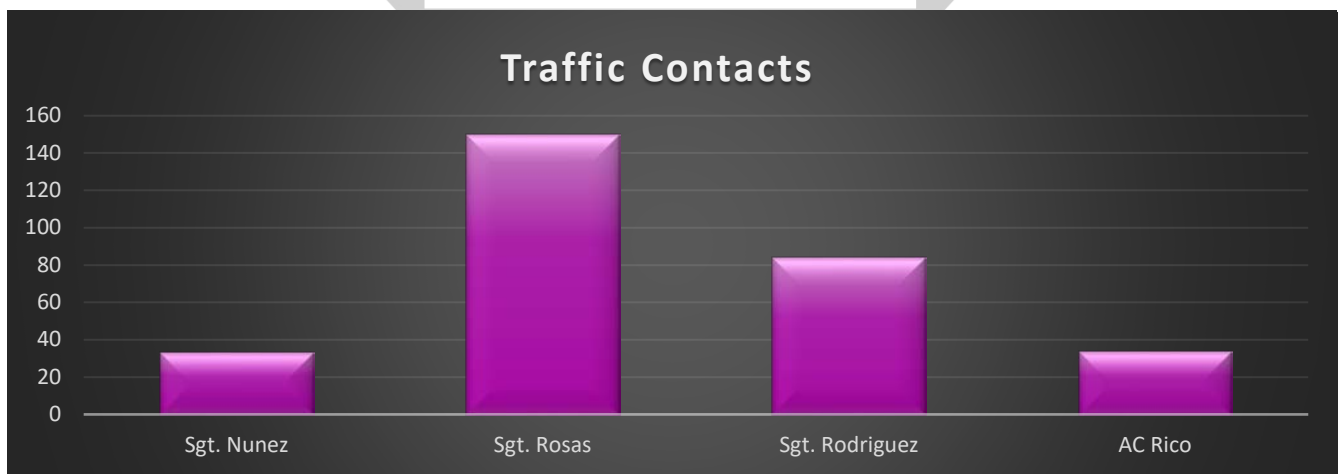
Our Data Driven Approach to Traffic and Crime Safety is our patrol strategy designed to focus on the hot spot areas for accidents and criminal incidents. Below are the hotspot locations and number of contacts charts.

Top Traffic Collision Areas

Location	Crashes
Horizon/Darrington	3
19000 block Darrington	3
Pete La Rue/Horizon	2
Kenazo/Horizon	2
Eastlake/Horizon	1

Traffic Contacts

2023	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	YTD
A/Sgt Bryan Avitia	56	36	48	119	271	64	33					627
Sgt Guillermo Rosas	130	82	63	56	80	108	150					669
Sgt John Rodriguez	53	36	99	66	61	45	84					444
Administrative Team	20	78	53	52	97	40	34					374

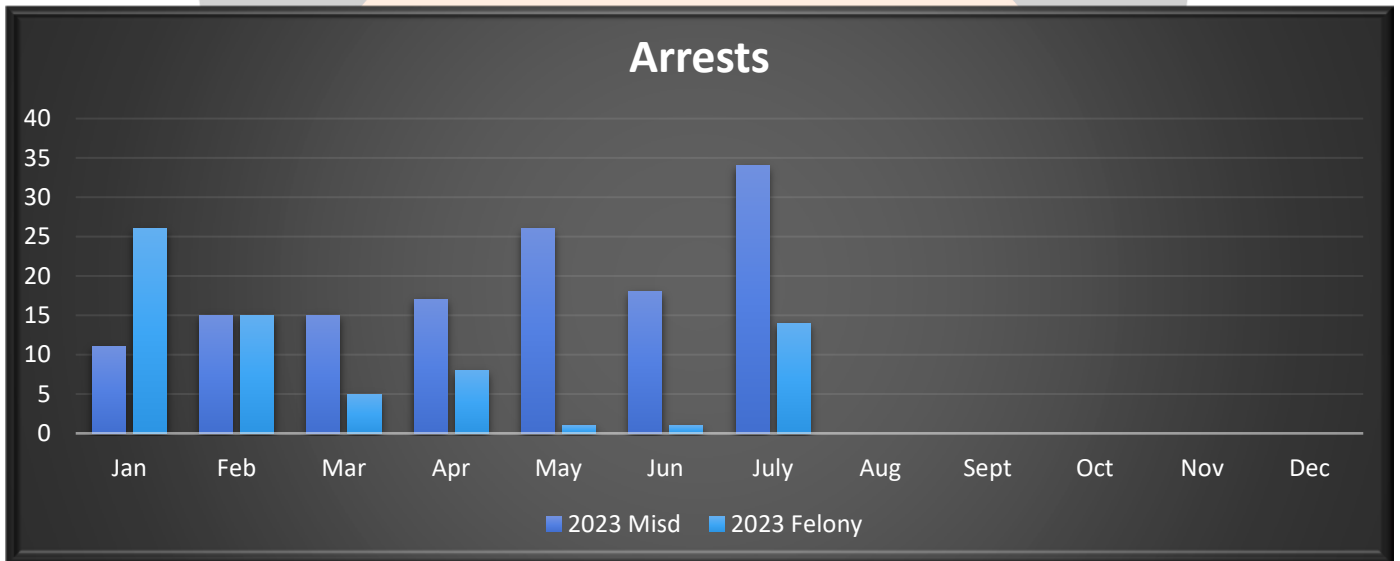


Calls for Service

	A/Sgt Bryan Avitia	Sgt. Guillermo Rosas	Sgt. John Rodriguez	Administrative Team	Total
Dispatched calls	440	304	350	80	1174
Self-Initiated calls	490	569	338	134	1531
Incident Reports	22	26	31	1	80
Crash Reports	9	8	12	2	31
Total CFS	961	907	731	217	2816

Arrests

ACTIVITY SUMMARY	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	YTD
2023 Felony Arrests	11	15	5	8	1	1	14					55
2023 Misdemeanor Arrests	26	15	15	17	26	18	34					151



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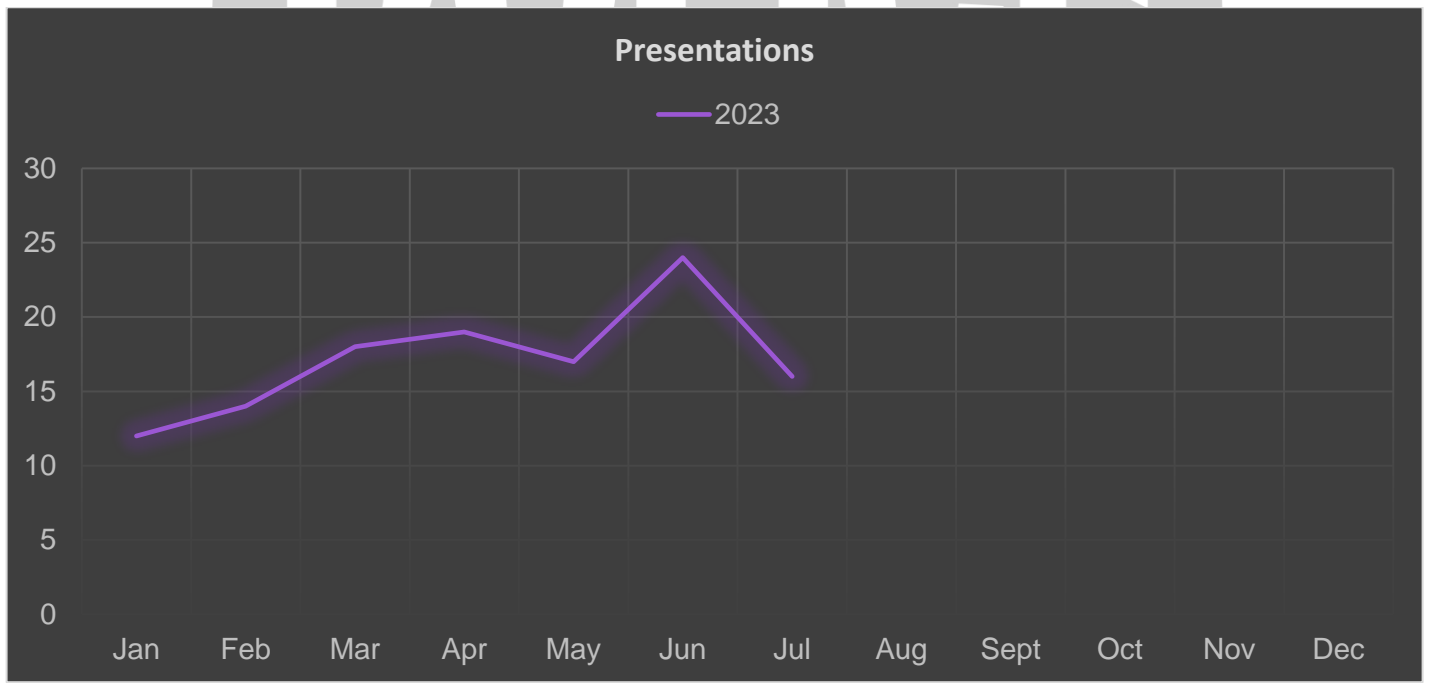


152% Increase

Community Outreach & Public Relations

Officer Heli Sierra and 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	YTD
2023 Presentations	12	14	18	19	17	24	16						80



Month to Month Comparison



-33% Decrease

Criminal Investigations Division

Investigations

Assistant Chief of Police Manuel Rico Jr. is responsible for the Criminal Investigations Division. The division consists of one supervisor and three detectives. The unit investigates cases ranging from Theft of Motor Vehicle, Thefts, Fraud, Deceptive Business Practice, Runaways, Assault, and Burglary of Habitation.

Activity	#
Case Submitted to the DAs for prosecution	17
Case submitted to the DA's Office for prosecution that were accepted	20
Case declined by the DA's Office for prosecution	7
Cases Signed at DA's Office by CID Detectives.	6
Cases approved by CID Supervisor generated by CID/Traffic/Warrants/Lt's	24
Cases assigned to CID Detectives/Traffic in July	16
Supplement completed and approved that was completed by CID & Forensics	27
Cases were Closed/Cleared by CID and Special Traffic Investigations	7
Cases were Inactivated due to lack of leads or prosecutorial evidence	11
Cases that were Unfounded	2
Non-Prosecution from Complainant	2
CPS Cases Approved	4

Notable Activities for CID, Traffic, Forensics & Warrants Section:

- On July 7, 2023, officers from CID assisted with Movies at the Park.
- Motor Officer Delgadillo and Assistant Chief Rico assisted patrol with a DL check point On July 14, 2023.
- Detective Labrado and Assistant Chief Rico conducted patrol day on July 18, 2023, during first shift.
- Assistant Chief Rico and Detective Labrado attended the funeral of the fallen officer from Alamogordo Police Department on July 20, 2023.
- Cpl. Avitia and Officer Lujan participated in the Honor Guard for fallen officer from Alamogordo Police Department on July 20, 2023.

Training attended in July 2023.

- On July 17, 2023 Detective Crespo conducted Taser training for new officer Trevino.
- Detective Crespo, Officer Delgadillo and Sgt. Nunez prepared the course for EVOC on July 21, 2023.
- Motor Officer Delgadillo attended an Advance Crash training course with EPPD for a total of 80 hours.

Meetings attended in July 2023.

- On July 3, 2023, officers from CID attended a mandatory department meeting.
- HCPD budget meeting 1400-1500 hours.

- On July 12, Detective Labrado attended a SART meeting,
- Detective Crespo attended the Threat Assessment meeting @ 911 Communications Center 1000-1100 hours on July 19, 2023.
- On July 13, 2023, Detective Labrado, EPPD, BP, EPSO had a honor guard meeting.
- On July 13, 2023, AC Rico attended a LEPC meeting via Zoom.

Criminal Investigations Case Log:

Detective Abel Labrado:

Case	Assigned	Offense	Current Status	
1. 2208037	08/12/22	Theft Motor Vehicle	Active	10/10/22
2. 2208028	08/17/22	Theft Motor Vehicle	Active	08/11/22
3. 2209053	09/26/22	Burglary of Habitation	Active	10/10/22
4. 2209059	09/26/22	Burglary of Habitation	Active	10/10/22
5. 2210006	10/07/22	Public Threat to Publish	Active	10/10/22
6. 2306094	06/30/23	Theft/CC Abuse	Active	06/30/23
CASES ASSIGNED IN JULY				
7. 2306091	06/29/23	Deceptive Business Practice	Active	07/13/23
8. 2307022	07/05/23	Burglary of Vehicle	Active	07/13/23
9. 230738	07/24/23	Burglary of Building	Active	07/27/23
10. 2307046	07/24/23	Burglary of Building	Active	07/27/23
11. 2307104	07/30/23	Theft of K-9	Active	07/30/23
12. 2307070	07/18/23	Theft	Active	07/31/23
CASES CLOSED IN JULY				
1. 2306058	06/19/23	Theft of Vehicle	Inactive	07/12/23
2. 2307026	07/01/23	Burglary of Vehicle	Arrested	07/13/23
3. 2306089	06/28/23	Burglary of Vehicle	Inactive	06/28/23
4. 2306062	06/21/23	Criminal Mischief	Inactive	07/05/23
5. Background Invest		Jakob Rodriguez	Closed	07/13/23
6. Background Invest		Jazmin	Closed	07/05/23

Detective Gilbert Rodriguez:

Case	Assigned	Offense	Current Status	
1. 2202013	03/02/22	Online Solicitation	Active	03/02/22
2. 2301032	01/12/23	Burglary of Vehicle	Active	01/13/23
3. 2302018	02/06/23	Theft of Motor Vehicle	Active	02/10/23
4. 2303050	03/16/23	Stalking	Active	03/22/23
5. 2303099	03/31/23	Theft of Motor Vehicle	Active	04/04/23
6. 2304057	04/16/23	Deceptive Business Practice	Active	04/18/23
7. 2304099	04/23/23	Sexual Assault	Active	04/24/23
8. 2304101	04/24/23	Theft of Property	Active	04/24/23

9. 2304132 04/29/23	Criminal Mischief	Active	05/01/23
10. 2304116 04/26/23	Theft	Active	05/02/23
11. 2305006 05/02/23	Theft of Property	Active	05/02/23
CASES ASSIGNED IN JULY			
CASES CLOSED IN JULY			
1. 2306022 06/07/23	Burglary	DIMS	06/16/23
2. 2207134 07/31/22	Burglary of Building	Inactive	07/18/23
3. 2303040 03/14/23	Theft of Property O \$100	HCMC	07/19/23
4. 2305040 05/09/23	Information Report	Closed	07/19/23
5. 2304108 04/25/23	Theft O\$100 U \$750	Inactive	07/19/23

Detective Jaime Crespo:

Case	Assigned	Offense	Current Status
1. 2303017 03/06/23		Theft of Property O \$100	Active 03/13/23
2. 2305107 05/29/23		Deadly Conduct	Active 06/05/23
3. 2306005 06/02/23		Graffiti	Active 06/03/23
4. 2306012 06/04/23		Sexual Assault	Active 06/04/23
5. 2306041 06/13/23		Theft Property	Active 06/13/23
6. 2306040 06/13/23		Burglary of Vehicle	Active 06/13/23
7. 2306019 06/15/23		Fraud/ID Theft	Active 06/15/23
8. 2306036 06/11/23		Misapp Fiduc\Finan Prop	Active 06/24/23
CASES ASSIGNED IN JULY			
9. 2307037 07/11/23		Criminal Mischief	Active 07/17/23
10. 2307045 07/19/23		Theft U \$100	Active 07/19/23
11. 2307074 07/21/23		Theft of Firearm	Active 07/24/23
12. 2307083 07/24/23		Criminal Mischief	Active 07/25/23
13. 2307089 07/25/23		Burglary of Vehicle	Active 07/28/23
14. 2307087 07/24/23		Indecent Assault	Active 07/31/23
CASES CLOSED IN JULY			
1. 2301016 01/06/23		Theft of Property	Inactive 07/12/23
2. 2306025 06/08/23		Theft of Property	Inactive 07/12/23
3. 2304123 04/27/23		Theft of Property	Inactive 06/30/23
4. 2305092 05/24/23		Deceptive Business Practice	Non-Pro 06/30/23
5. 2307030 07/08/23		Sexual Assault	Unfound 07/12/23
6. 2306024 06/07/23		Criminal Mischief	Non-Pros 07/12/23
7. 2302071 02/18/23		Theft of Property O \$2,500	Unfound 03/07/23
8. 2307084 07/24/23		Unattended Death	Closed 07/27/23
9. 2306059 06/21/23		Fraud/I.D.	Closed 07/28/23

Detective	# of cases assigned	Active Cases Under 30 Days	Active Cases Under 60 Days	Active Cases Under 90 days	Active Cases Over 90 days	Cases Cleared:	Cases Presented	Inactive	%rate of assigned to clearance
Abel Labrado	16	5	2	0	5	0	1	3	25.00%
Gilbert Rodriguez	16	0	0	3	8	1	2	2	31.25%
Jaime Crespo	23	6	7	0	1	6	0	3	39.13%
Eric Delgadillo	15	1	1	3	6	0	1	3	26.66%

Runaway cases remain active until the juvenile is located and safely returned to their parents.

Case	Assigned	Offense	Active/Closed
1.	2208051 08/11/22	Missing Person (AC Rico)	Active 08/11/22
2.	2305004 05/01/23	Runaway (Labrado)	Active 05/02/23
3.	2305043 05/11/23	Runaway (Labrado)	Active 05/12/23
CASES ASSIGNED IN JULY			
4.	2307105 07/30/23	Runaway (G. Rodriguez)	Active 07/31/23
CASES CLOSED IN JULY			
None			

Traffic Division

Officer Eric Delgadillo is assigned to conduct traffic enforcement and accident investigations. He is assigned as our only motorcycle officer.

Motor Unit conducted 4 CVE inspections with EPPD FTO with 8 violations and placed 1 tractor trailer out of service.

Traffic Accident Reports	Written Warnings	Citations
2	0	4

Traffic Criminal Investigations	Arrests from Investigations	Active Cases
15	2	11

Traffic Criminal Investigations Case Log

Traffic Officer Delgadillo:

Case	Assigned	Offense	Active/Closed	
1. 2302003	02/01/23	Duty Upon Striking	Active	02/10/23
2. 2303031	03/10/23	Duty Upon Striking	Active	03/15/23
3. 2304060	04/16/23	Duty Upon Striking	Active	04/23/23
4. 2304065	04/17/23	Duty Upon Striking	Active	04/23/23
5. 2304053	04/14/23	Duty Upon Striking	Active	04/28/23
6. 2304133	04/29/23	Duty Upon Striking	Active	04/30/23
7. 2304091	04/22/23	Info/MVA/STI Call Out	Active	05/07/23
8. 2305083	05/22/23	Duty Upon Striking	Active	05/29/23
9. 2305114	05/31/23	MVA STI Call Out	Active	05/31/23
10. 2305045	05/12/23	Duty Upon Striking	Active	06/03/23
CASES ASSIGNED IN JULY				
11. 2306080	06/27/23	Duty Upon Striking	Active	07/06/23
CASES CLOSED IN JULY				
1. 2304087	04/21/23	Duty Upon Striking	Inactive	07/12/23
2. 2304076	04/19/23	Duty Upon Striking	Inactive	07/12/23
3. 2304090	04/22/23	Duty Upon Striking	Inactive	07/13/23
4. 2307048	07/14/23	POM W/S Unlawful Carry	Arrest	07/19/23

Forensics Unit

Bernadette Ortega is our new Crime Scene and Evidence Lead. Officer Abraham Diaz is also assigned to Crime Scene and Evidence.

Forensic Unit Responsibilities

Activity	#
Hours of in-service training	1
Court Hours	5.5
Hours of training given	0
Hours pieces of evidence were processed	6
Pieces of evidence were received	71
Pieces of evidence were released	22
Record requests were released	18
Latent Prints were collected at crime scenes	0
Latent Prints compared	55
Positive Latent Identifications	31
Latent Produced	35
Supplement Reports	51

I.D.'s was made	6
Walk ins for fingerprints	5
Field non-crime scene evidence related.	7
Field crime scene evidence requests	15
Walk-in Crime Scene Evidence Related	7
Redaction of Cases	0
Redaction Process hours	0
Redaction Videos Completed	0
Positive Latent Identifications	0
Photographs at Crime Scenes were taken	193
E-Trace Submissions	1
E-Trace HITS	0
NIBIN Submissions	1
NIBIN HITS	1
Test Fire Completed	0
Test Fire HITS	0

Warrants Division and Bailiff

Officer Abraham Diaz serves as the Court Bailiff and Warrants Officer. He is responsible for serving as the municipal court bailiff and executing traffic and criminal warrants. Officer Diaz is also responsible for fleet maintenance.

- 13 units were transported to the shop for service.

	Served
Court Summons	35
Warrants	1
Case Prep for City Pros.	Prepared by the Shift Supervisors
HCMC Court Hearings	4

Money Collected from Warrants: \$2,500

Communications Section

The Communications Section is overseen by the Communications Manager and is comprised of 3 Communications Shift Supervisors, and 16 Communications Specialists.

Response Times

	Average Call to Arrival	Average Dispatch to Arrival	Actual	Target
Priority 1-3 Pending to Arrival less than or equal to 10 Minutes	00:07:20	00:05:00	100%	90%
Priority 4-6 Pending to Arrival less than or equal to 34 Minutes:	00:10:28	00:06:45	100%	80%
Priority 7-9 Pending to Arrival less than or equal to 52 Minutes:	00:21:57	00:07:24	100%	70%

Horizon Police Calls for Service

	Dispatched	Self-Initiated	Mobile Data Terminal Calls	Total
Horizon Police	1,017	1,398	468	2,883

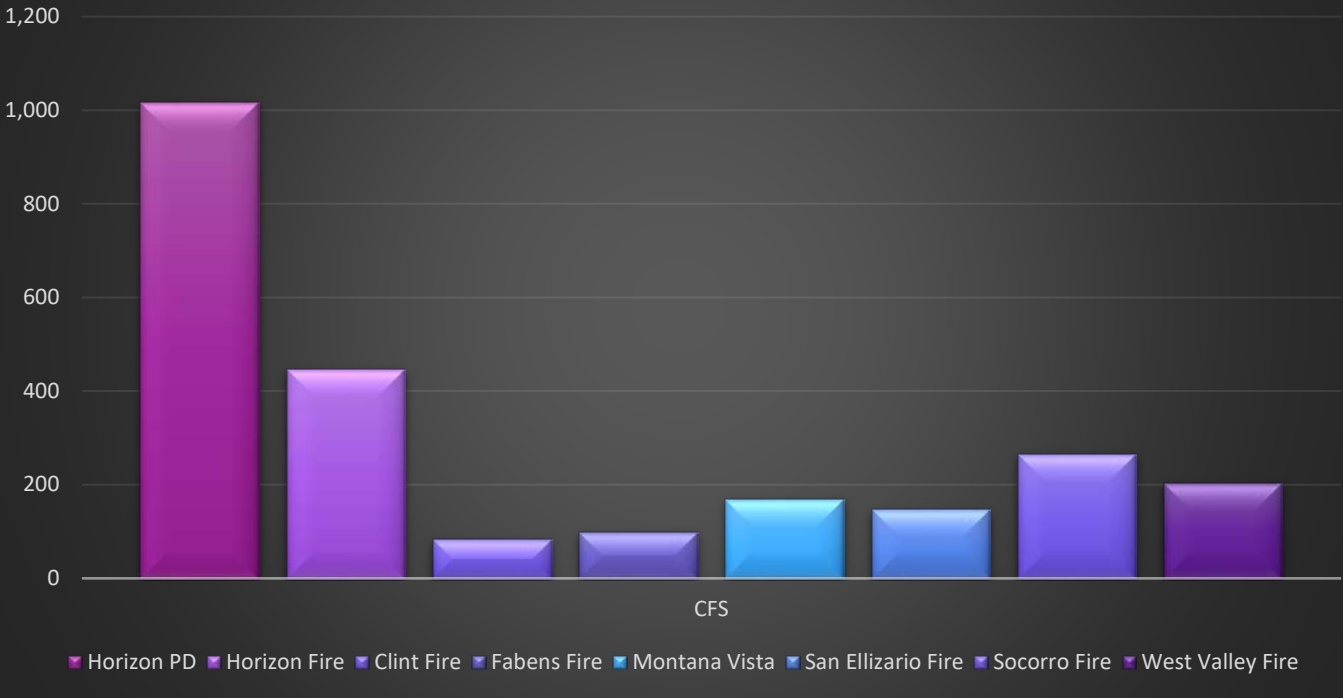
ESD 1 Calls for Service

	Alarm	Assist	Brush Fire	Car Fire	Water Gas Leaks	Medical	MVA	Structure Fires	Total
Horizon Fire	31	29	29	3	13	279	57	5	446

ESD 2 Calls for Service

	Alarm	Assist	Brush Fire	Car Fire	Water/G as Leaks	Medical	MVA	Structure Fire	Total
Clint	1	3	2	1	2	57	14	3	83
Fabens	2	5	8	2	0	78	4	0	99
Montana Vista	2	10	29	1	5	109	11	2	169
San Elizario	9	2	7	0	2	109	16	2	147
Socorro	6	7	16	3	3	191	35	5	266
West Valley	12	10	13	2	40	110	13	3	203
Total	32	37	75	9	52	654	93	15	967

Fire Calls For Service



Departmental Significant and Notable Accomplishments:

New Team Member



The communications division continues seeking telecommunicators who are interested in taking the challenge to become an unseen hero behind the headset. Whomever is interested can apply through Indeed or stop by the station for an application. The communications division welcomed Juan Carlos Gonzalez to the team.

Progress with communications console project

The communications manager and her assistant continue working diligently with Motorola Solutions Program Manager personnel on the communications console project. The communications manager and her assistant continue meeting on a weekly basis with Motorola Solutions Program Manager personnel via Google Meet to discuss project updates.



Special Communications Operation was a Success!

Fourteen dispatchers, including the communications manager and shift supervisors, were scheduled to work on the 4th of July to meet the demands for high volume of radio traffic and calls for police and fire. The communications division was split into two groups. Three dispatchers were assigned to call take at the El Paso Regional Communication Center located at 6055 Threadgill. The five consoles at the Horizon Police Department were assigned to dispatch police and county fire. Between the hours of 19:00-01:00, crisis radio procedures were in effect for the county fire departments. During these hours, the county fire departments responded to sixty-three calls. A total of eighty-seven calls were generated to include officer initiated and police response from 18:00-06:00.



Communications Training Officer Certification

Shift supervisor Anthony Dominguez attended the three day APCO Institute’s Communications Training Officer Course. The course provides thorough training on the roles and responsibilities of CTOs in running an agency’s one-on-one training program. The course focuses on performance-based training and the need for standardized training with documentation.



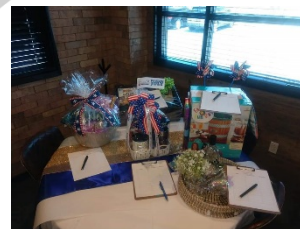
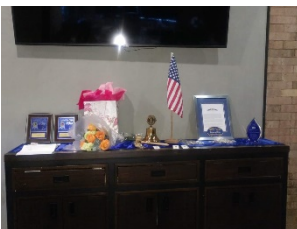
Leadership Training

Shift supervisors Sheila Tarango and Leslie Duran attended the Lead for Tomorrow Training held at the El Paso County Sheriff’s Region VIII Training Academy. The course covered the need for strong and effective leadership. As leaders, it is essential to lead in all aspects of the profession. Some of the well-known causes of the failed system are toxic culture, poor leadership and supervision, failures of training, evaluation, oversight, accountability and so forth. Addressing these issues takes persistence, bravery, leadership, team work and police-community trust.



Lions Award

On July 1st, 2023, Chief of Police M. Vargas and Community Relations Officer H. Sierra attended the annual award ceremony for the Centennial Lions Club at The Great American Steak House. The Horizon City Police Department was invited to attend the event with two representatives of the department to receive the Golden Cherry Award. The Golden Cherry Award is given to a recipient not in the Centennial Lions Club for their service to the club. The Horizon City Police Department has been assisting the Lions Club for many years but was given praise for 2022’s Christmas Parade. CRO Sierra was told that last year’s parade was the biggest and best parade to date. The role played by the department was to conduct road closures, security, and emergency response at any time during the two-three-hour event. Chief Vargas and Officer Sierra along with their spouses had been treated to lunch and met members of the club before being awarded the Golden Cherry Award. The afternoon was finalized with a silent auction with all proceeds going to the Centennial Lions Club.



KFOX Interview

On Monday, July 3rd, 2023, Community Relations Officer V. Hernandez conducted a telephone interview with Karin Sanchez from KFOX 14/CBS 4 News Channel. The telephone interview consisted of discussing law enforcement officers and first responders in El Paso area that will be having access to a new wing at Rio Vista Behavioral Health. Officer Hernandez expressed the importance of mental health within law enforcement officers as they are exposed to difficult situations that can affect them mentally. Rio Vista Behavioral Health director of business development M. Herrera also stated in his interview that part of the treatment that will be offered to law enforcement officers and first



responders is going to include inpatient and outpatient care. Being able to provide these types of resources for all first responders is a huge advantage because it contributes and grows additional resources that law enforcement officers and first responders may need in the future.

Moonlight Meeting

On Thursday, July 6th, 2023, Community Relations Officers H. Sierra and V. Hernandez attended a meeting with the owners of local Moonlight Bar and Grill to collaborate and be able to play a movie at their bar and grill location. The owners expressed their interest in hosting an event at their location since they are familiarized with "Movies at the Park" that the police department hosts during the summer. It was brought to the idea that it would be great for the community to be able to have a family day at the pool while getting to watch a movie at the same time. During the meeting, the date, times, menu, beverages were discussed to be able to provide a good experience to the community. Horizon City Police Department will be providing the equipment to play the movie and officers will remain at the event until the movie is over. "Movie under the Moonlight" will be taking place Friday, August 4th, 2023.



Movies at the Park (4th Viewing)

On Friday, July 7th, 2023, Horizon City Police Department hosted the fourth and last Movies at the Park. The movie that was shown for the day was Lightyear. This community outreach event is for everyone that attends, to enjoy themselves as well as their families. The community also gets the opportunity to meet or engage in conversation with our police department officers as multiple of them are present. During the last Movies at the Park, a workshop and a wing eating competition took place. Horizon City Police Department has been growing a great working relationship between the department and businesses around El Paso area. In a prior meeting with Home Depot, it was discussed that Home Depot could donate workshop kits for kids to enjoy while being at Movies at the Park. The day of the event a Home Depot crew participated and donated approximately 150 workshop kits. For the wing eating contest, Horizon City Police Department collaborated with Special Olympics Texas and Wing Daddy's to fundraise for SOTX organization. Wing Daddy's donated 100 spicy wings to have 10 participants compete to see who could eat all 10 spicy wings, with no meat left on the bones in a five-minute time period. Each participant paid \$20 and all the proceeds were donated to SOTX. SOTX athletes were present and enjoyed engaging with the community and HCPD officers.



UTEP Promotional Video

On Monday, July 10th, 2023, Officers with Horizon City Police Department met with several personnel from UTEP Athletics to record a video of the officers promoting the first game of the season that will be taking place at The University of Texas at El Paso Sun bowl against University of Las Vegas. Sgt. Rosas along with Officer Campbell, Officer Garza, Detective Labrado and Officer Hernandez assisted by aligning two units in front of the police department. As the video was being recorded officers took turns in providing details for the game. UTEP Athletics personnel advised different short videos are being recorded with every law enforcement agency that will be participating the day of the game. The purpose of the videos is to record them and put all videos together as one and use it as a promotion video a week before the game. The game is set to kick-off at 7:00 P.M. on September 23rd, 2023.



Justice for Juniors Press Announcement

On Tuesday, July 11th, 2023, Corporal C. Zeiger attended El Paso County Courthouse for a press announcement to promote Justice 4 Juniors (J4J). Horizon City Police Department was approached by the District Attorney's Office to be a part of the first time ever Justice 4 Juniors event. Justice 4 Juniors is an event that the District Attorney's Office wished to host to raise awareness of crimes being committed against children. The purpose is to have different local law enforcement agencies support the event and educate parents to teach their children that it is okay to speak up when something bad happens to them. The District Attorney's Office goal was to be able to send the message out there to the community and invited them to be a part of a good cause for the children. On this day, Horizon City Police Department, Socorro Police Department, El Paso County Sheriff's



Office, Constables Precinct 6, Judge Samaniego and additional members joined District Attorney Bill Hicks promote the event as news media outlets were invited to the courthouse for a press announcement. The first time ever Justice 4 Juniors will be taking place Saturday, July 19th, 2023.

Safe Riders Meeting

On Wednesday, July 12th, 2023, Community Relations Officer V. Hernandez attended a virtual meeting with several members of Texas Department of State Health Services for a Safe Riders grant that was granted to Horizon City Police Department (HCPD). HCPD currently has four officers that are certified as Child Passenger Safety Technicians. The purpose is to educate parents and or caregivers about the importance of knowing how to prevent injuries or death for children in case they are involved in a motor vehicle accident. The virtual meeting consisted of educating Officer Hernandez on



how to properly complete a Qualtrics form that consists of the car seats inventory. Officer Hernandez along with Officer A. Diaz, Officer E. Delgadillo and Lt. Ortega who are the four certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians are working on planning one-on-one or a class event to educate a number of parents and be able to provide a car seat to those who may need one.

UTEP 915 Heroes Night

On Wednesday, July 12th, 2023, Community Relations Officer V. Hernandez attended a meeting with the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) Athletics staff regarding "915 Heroes Night." The Horizon City Police Department was reached out to have the department participate in displaying any of their patrol vehicles and have officers engage with the community as they arrive for the "tailgate." The purpose of "915 Heroes Night" is to honor all



first responders to include teachers, doctors, nurses, etc. UTEP Athletics envision for different law enforcement vehicles to be displayed in a parking lot, have an officer from every agency present the agency flag as the ROTC present the colors and have one officer per agency be recognized. Different agencies such as HCPD, Socorro PD, El Paso PD, El Paso County Sheriff's Office, Texas Department of Public Safety, Anthony PD and Constables Precinct 6 will be some of the agencies that will be taking part of the event. The game will be taking place on September 23rd at 7:00P.M.

Texas Tech Interviews



On Tuesday, July 18th, 2023, Community Relations Officers H. Sierra and V. Hernandez met with multiple medical and dental students from Texas Tech University. Officer Hernandez met with the first group that consisted of three medical and dental students during the morning and later that afternoon both, Officer Sierra and Hernandez met with the second group that consisted of about eight females. Both groups asked multiple questions regarding the health of Horizon City. All students advised they were doing a community assessment in order to learn about the community and find ways on how to improve the community's health. Officer Sierra and Officer Hernandez informed students what it takes to be a police officer at Horizon City Police Department and what the goals the police department and its officers are trying to achieve with the community. Students informed both officers it was their very first-time visiting Horizon City and they were excited to learn about a new city.

Back to School Haircuts

On Wednesday July 19th, 2023, The Horizon City Police Department provided 94 students free haircuts for the beginning of the school year. Trend Setters Barbershop and HCPD came together to help out parents with the cost of a haircut and provide students with an extra boost of confidence. The haircuts were provided to both boys and girls with the help of 16 barbers and 1 hairstylist. HCPD was given over \$1,000 for the outreach event and lasts from 3pm-8pm. KTSM interviewed P.I.O. H. Sierra about the event and later recorded the students getting their haircuts at the barbershop. Chief of Police M. Vargas, CRO H. Sierra, V. Hernandez and Detective Labrado assisted by providing drinks, checking in the appointments, sweeping the floors for the barbers and



ultimately made the event successful by working together with the barbers. Officers prepared for the events by taking calls for the week of the haircuts and by promoting the outreach event through social media.



Child Vehicular Heatstroke Deaths Presentation

On Tuesday, July 25th, 2023, Community Relations Officer V. Hernandez attended a one-hour virtual meeting with Safe Riders Child Passenger Safety Education and Training Program. The meeting consisted of educating attendees about “Child Vehicular Heatstroke Deaths.” During the virtual meeting, attendees were educated on what a heatstroke is, and they were provided with several statistics. The presentation also consisted of how people can prevent heatstroke in cars and the new



technology vehicles will have such as rear seat reminders once the vehicle is turned off. CRO’s H. Sierra and V. Hernandez are looking to conduct a livestream video on the police department’s social media Facebook page as they remain inside of a patrol unit, while the unit is off, and they keep track of the temperature.



Wing Cop Wednesday

On Wednesday July 26th, 2023, HCPD held their first monthly event with Wing Daddy’s and put a spin on the hashtag #WCW by inviting the public to eat wings with a cop. The monthly meetings where the public is invited to join the police department and become more familiarized with the officers is usually held at a coffee shop. Chief M. Vargas thought of the idea of gathering with people at the restaurant and paying for their meal and having those that showed up ask the officers present any questions or bring up any concerns they might have. HCPD finds that interacting with the public on a more personal level helps with increasing the public’s trust in their law enforcement and promotes a better working relationship between both parties. HCPD has worked with Wing Daddy’s for over a year and has received more than \$800 in gift cards and donations for the events that the department has hosted.



Tip a Cop

On Thursday, July 27th, 2023, Corporal C. Zeiger and Community Relations Officer V. Hernandez were invited by Special Olympics Texas (SOTX) staff to be a part of “Tip a Cop” event that takes place at Texas Roadhouse once a year. What “Tip a Cop” consists of, is that multiple local law enforcement officers meet with Special Olympics Texas Athletes in different Texas Roadhouse locations where they

get paired up. Once an officer has an athlete or two with them, they go table by table letting people that are dining in know what the event is and what Special Olympics Texas is about. Officers talked about SOTX and athletes got the opportunity to introduce themselves and let people know the different sports they play. Officers and athletes informed people that any donations would be greatly appreciated as all the proceeds would go to the athletes for any new equipment that they may need or for any travel expenses.



Justice for Juniors

On Saturday July 29th, 2023, The Horizon City Police Department attended the first Justice for Juniors event at the Bulldog Championship Park in Socorro, Texas. This was put together by the District Attorney’s Office to provide children and parents with information regarding crimes against children and how they could be created. Agencies from El Paso County attended the event including community partners that wanted to help make the event a successful one. The Police Association from the Horizon City Police Department donated two bikes and the department was able to obtain donations from Walmart to also give out as prizes. Those in attendance were Sgt. J Nunez, Detective A. Labrado, Corporal B. Avitia, Motor Unit E. Delgadillo and CROs V. Hernandez and H. Sierra. Officers put two bikes from bike patrol, their department motorcycle and two patrol units on display for the public to observe. During the event, Officers played water gun fights, tug-of-war, and other games with kids at the park. HCPD was also able to donate 10 water cases for attendees and invite Famous Daves as well as Canes Chicken to promote their business and hand out free drinks to the public. One of the main points to this event was for children to become familiarized with law enforcement and for law



enforcement to gain the trust of the children. This was one of the first times HCPD has participated in this kind of event with the D.A.’s office.



Back to School

On Monday, July 31st, 2023, Patrol Lieutenant J. Ortega and Community Relations Officer V. Hernandez joined multiple deputies from El Paso County Sheriff's Office and Constable Precinct 6 to welcome back students at Horizon Heights Elementary for their new school year. Officers and Deputies parked their marked patrol units along with two motorcycle units at the front of the school with their emergency lights on. Multiple children and parents took photographs in front of the parked units. Starbucks and Dunkin Donuts were also present and were giving away free coffee and donuts to parents and teachers. All officers and deputies stood by the front entrance and greeted kids by

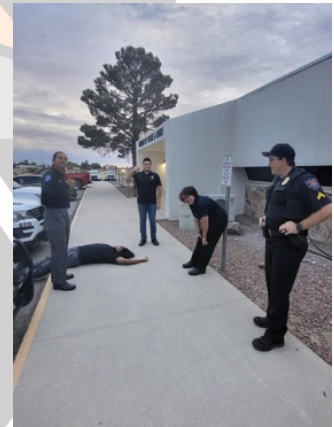


shaking their hand or gave them a high-five wishing them a great school year. Children walked into school with a huge smile and took photos with the Hornet mascot, officers, and deputies.



Explorers Program

During the month of July, Community Relations Officers H. Sierra and V. Hernandez were able to meet with the Explorers twice. During the first meeting, Explorers went through a uniform inspection and conducted some drills. Later during the meeting, Officer Sierra and Officer Hernandez split the Explorers and took them on a ride along. Officer Sierra conducted a traffic stop and reminded the Explorers about the 7-step violator contact that must be followed when conducting a traffic stop. Officer Hernandez took an Explorer to a civil call that was handed by Officer E. Perez. During the second meeting, Officer Hernandez created separate study groups for Explorers to continue studying the phonetic alphabet and ten codes. Followed by the studying, Officer Hernandez conducted an oral exam for every Explorer and asked them individual questions to assure Explorers are learning the ten codes and phonetic alphabet.



Excellent Investigation and Arrest

On July 15th Officer Lujan responded to a Credit Card Abuse at the Gordi Buena located at 494 N. Kenazo Ave. and conducted the investigation from beginning to end. Investigation revealed that Victim, after paying for his food using his debit card, he left his debit card on top of the counter and sat down at a table to eat. A female OFFENDER, who was behind Victim in line, is seeing through surveillance cameras, sliding the debit card towards her with her fingers. Officer Lujan did great investigative work and with the information at hand, she was able to obtain license plates from surveillance video at Walmart where OFFENDERS were purchasing items using the Victims debit card. Male OFFENDER was seeing using the card on camera. Using the license plate information she obtained, she was able to obtain OFFENDERS driver's license with an address in Horizon City. Using

WebRms, Officer Lujan researched the name of the OFFENDERS and confirmed the name, DOB and the address. The officer attempted to make contact with the OFFENDERS, but they were uncooperative. Officer then obtained a signed warrant for both male and female OFFENDERS and arrested both subjects for the charge of Credit/Debit Abuse 2 days later. Excellent work by Officer Lujan.

Stationary Vehicle Checkpoint

On July 14th, 2023, Officers with the Horizon Police Department held a driver's license checkpoint at 300 N. Kenazo Street in Horizon City, El Paso County Texas. With the assistance of Justice of the Peace Precinct 6 Constable's Office, Officer checked over 126 drivers. Only 6 citations were issued by the staff and 1 arrest for a JP-6 traffic citation was made. No major incidents were reported. Excellent work by our staff in extended efforts to keep our motoring community in Horizon City safe.

Horizon City Police assists Alamogordo Police Department Fallen Officer

On July 20th, 2023, Horizon City Honor Guard members Corporal Bryan Avitia and Officer Vivian Lujan assisted in honoring the service of Officer Anthony Ferguson of the Alamogordo Police Department. Officer Ferguson lost his life in the line of duty protecting the community of Alamogordo. Our honor guard members paid their respects and participated in the honor ceremony as with the highest traditions of the Horizon City Police Department. Thank you for representing us.

Outstanding Investigation

On July 13th Officer Eric Perez was dispatched to the Walmart on Horizon Blvd in reference to information on a domestic assault which just occurred. Officer Perez' excellent investigative skills led to the issuance of warrants of arrest for the offender. The unique aspect of this case is that the victim was from out of town. Officer Perez went above and beyond to assist the victim and further protect her from further violence. Great work Officer Perez.

Community Resource Officer

We would like to thank Officer Victoria Hernandez for the outstanding work she has done with our community. She was recently assigned to CRO Office to assist Officer Sierra. She immediately has jumped in and has been a significant contributor that that office. This to the degree she has played a significant role the establishment of new community stakeholders. Keep up the great work Officer Hernandez!

Dispatchers of the Month

Shift Supervisor Anthony Dominguez was nominated for his dedication and hard work. He is punctual to work, volunteers to cover shifts, and is flexible with the work schedule. He always has a positive attitude at work.

Stephanie is dependable and punctual; she is flexible and willing to switch shifts with coworkers when available. She steps in to assist her coworkers when they are overloaded with work as well as giving good advice to trainees when they have any questions.

Adilene Rendon is always punctual to work, assists her coworkers, volunteers to work overtime, and always has a great attitude. Adilene goes above and beyond in helping citizens.

Way to go team!

Officer of the Month

This month we would like to recognize Officer Vivian Lujan for her outstanding work ethic and excellent investigative skills. Officer Lujan consistently maintains a positive attitude. She often goes above and beyond her call of duty. This month she did an outstanding job in investigating and arresting two individuals on a debt card abuse case. She also unselfishly volunteered to assist with the funeral services of Alamogordo Officer Anthony Ferguson. Thank you for your hard work and dedication Officer Lujan.

A large, semi-transparent shield-shaped logo for the Horizon City Police in Texas. The word "POLICE" is written in large, white, sans-serif capital letters across the top half of the shield. Below it, "HORIZON CITY" is written in the same font across the middle. A horizontal white line separates "HORIZON CITY" from the word "TEXAS" at the bottom. The shield has a dark grey background and a white border.

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