

HORIZON CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT



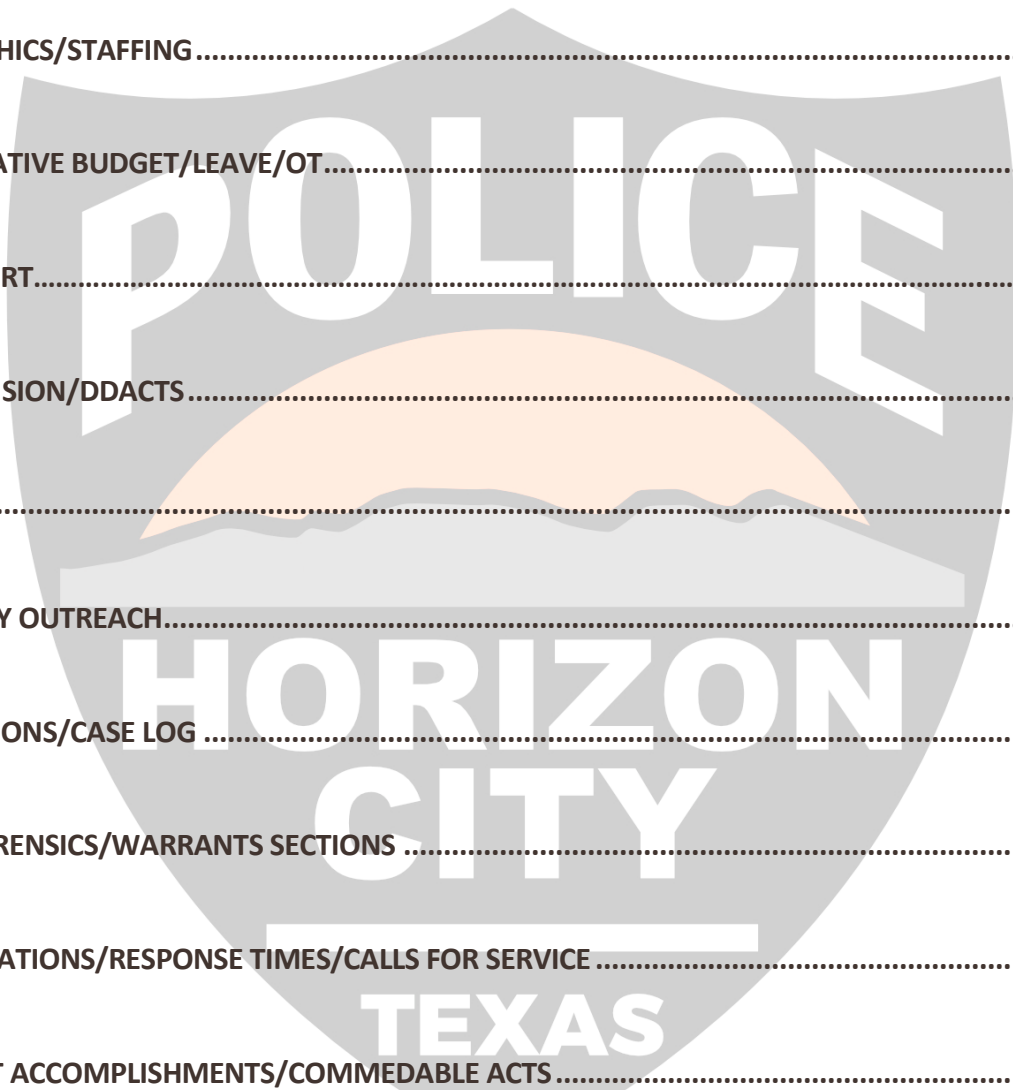
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MONTHLY REPORT

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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	1
Sergeants	3	3	0
Corporals	3	3	0
Detectives	3	3	0
Officers	21	20	1
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	14	12	2

Administrative

FY 2022-2023 Budget	Original Budget	Available Budget	Encumbrances	Requisitions	Percentage Remaining
PD	\$2,275,599.00	\$1,945,384.32	\$ 54,063.63	\$ 16,646.94	85.38%
Communications	\$871,341.00	\$760,831.26	\$ 27,072.00	\$ 2,835.53	87.32 %

Leave	Police Department	Communications
OT	278.75	186
Comp	93.64	20.25
PTO	155.86	52.25
LWO	0	104
Military	0	0
Training	557.50	24
Funeral	0	0
Personal	0	24
Holiday	149	8.25
Injury	0	0
Suspension	0	0

Overtime	Amount Appropriated FY 2021-2022	Amount Expended January 2023	Balance	Percentage Remaining 2022
PD	\$ 68,712.00	\$ 9,648.11	\$ 52,923.03	77.02 %
Communications	\$ 444,999.00	\$ 4,974.18	\$ 34,358.85	83.02 %

Sergeants	Sgt. Juan Nunez	Sgt. Guillermo	Sgt. John Rodriguez	Administrative	Total
Gas Used	78.97	124.32	187.7	209.58	600.57
Miles Driven	201	484	741	255	1681
Miles per Gallon	7.17	11	4	3.4	25.57

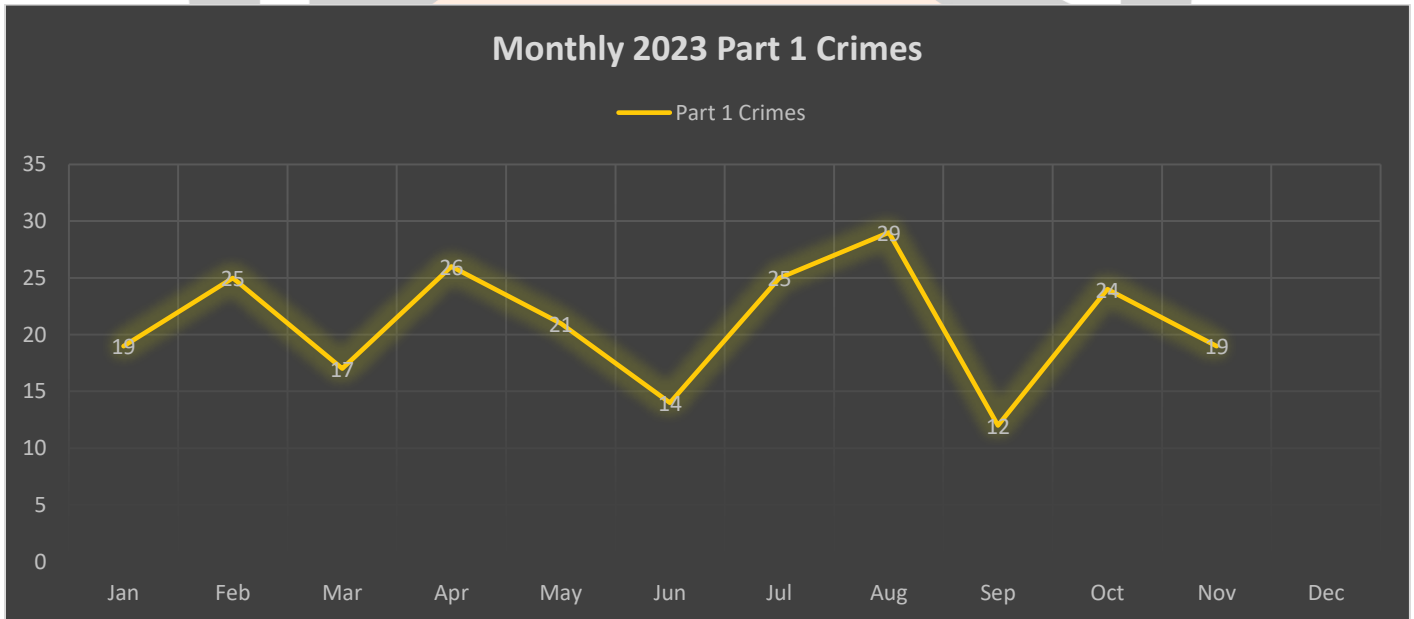
OPERATIONAL SUMMARY	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTALS
GAS USED (GAL)	1,643	1,520	1,685	1,587	2,134	2,245	1,908	2,013	1,744	2,123	1,366		19,968
MILES DRIVEN	8,859	7,894	8,056	6,488	9,078	10,021	18,595	7,813	8,269	8,390	10,638		104,101
MILES/GALLON	5.39	5.19	4.80	4.00	6.60	4.46	9.76	3.88	4.74	3.95	15.00		67.77

According to the Wex gasoline report there was a 28.04 % decrease in gas usage, compared to the month of October.

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 21% decrease 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	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
Robbery	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1
Agg. Assault	3	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	1	2	0	14
Burglary	2	3	1	1	1	1	3	0	0	1	2	15
Larceny	7	7	3	12	5	4	9	12	6	7	10	82
Simple Assault	3	7	10	7	11	5	11	12	4	10	4	784
Vehicle Theft	3	4	3	3	1	4	2	5	1	4	2	32
Total	19	25	17	26	21	14	25	29	12	24	19	231



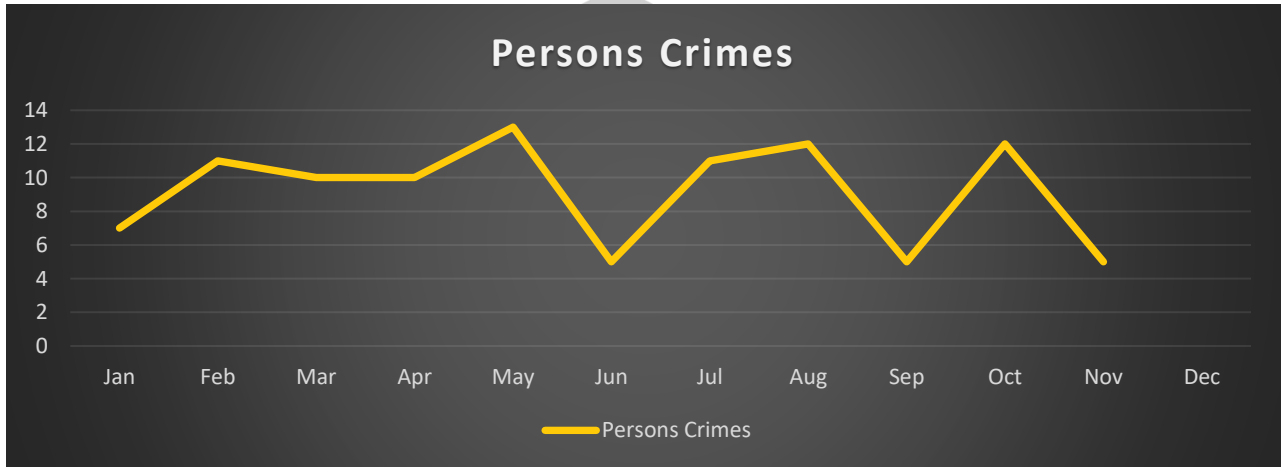
Month to Month Comparison



-21% Decrease

Crimes Against Persons

Part 1 2023	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		3
Agg. Assault	3	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	1	2	0		14
Simple Assault	3	7	10	7	11	5	11	12	4	10	4		84
Total	7	11	10	10	13	5	11	12	5	12	5	0	101



Property Crimes

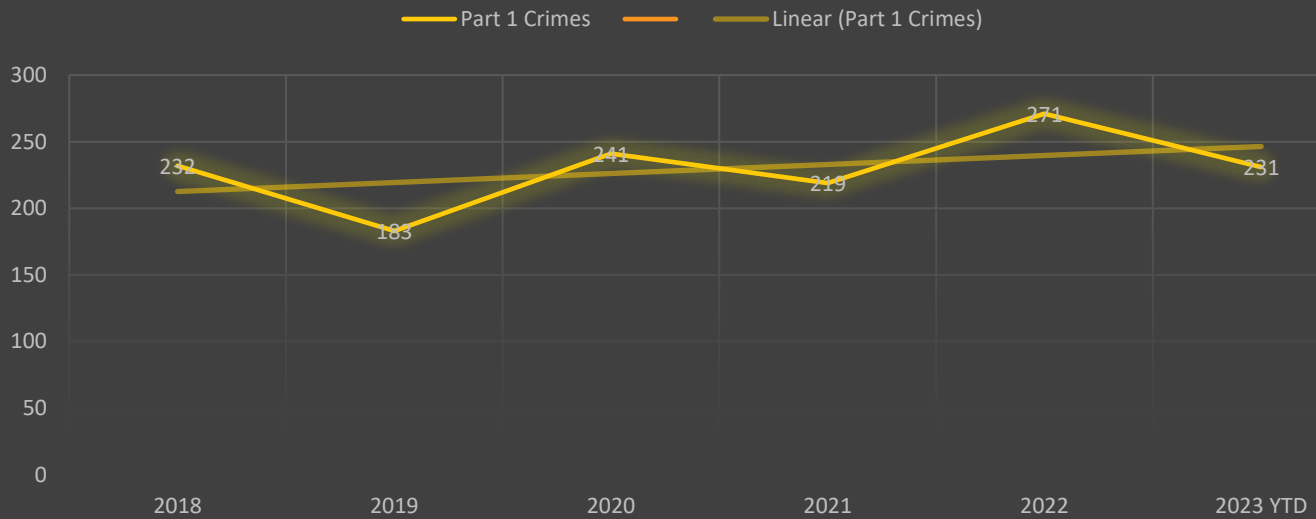
Part 1 2023	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Robbery	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0		1
Burglary	2	3	1	1	1	1	3	0	0	1	2		15
Larceny	7	7	3	12	5	4	9	12	6	7	10		82
Vehicle Theft	3	4	3	3	1	4	2	5	1	4	2		32
Total	12	14	7	16	8	9	14	17	7	12	14	0	130



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 Lieutenant Kaycee Valdez for night shift. It is comprised of 2 Lieutenants, 3 Sergeants, 3 Corporals and 12 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

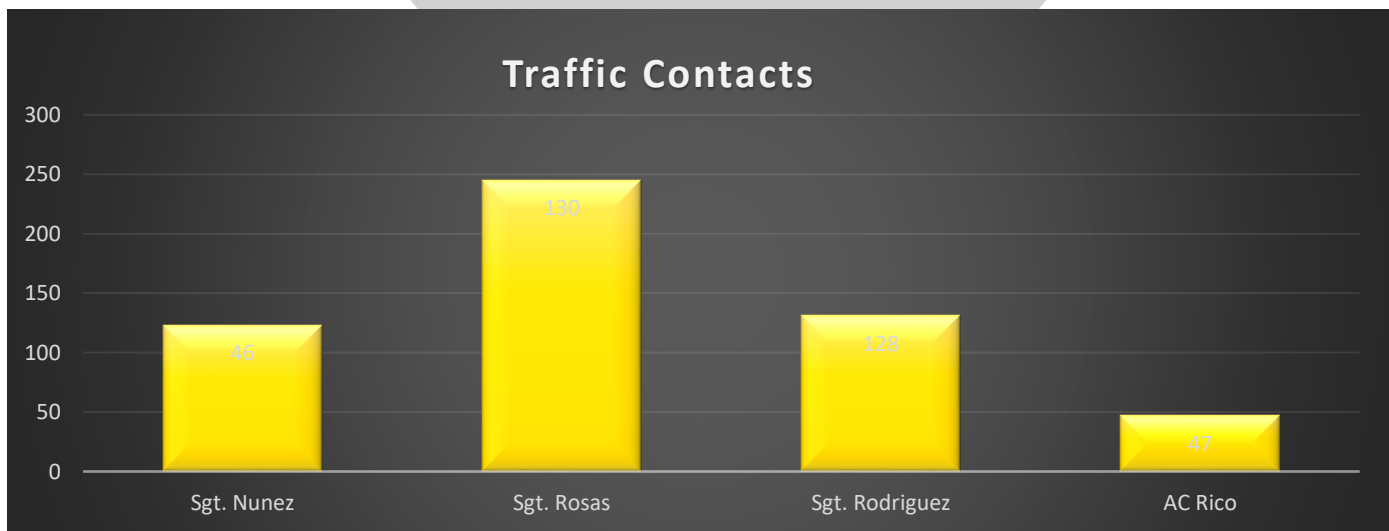
Our Data Driven Approach to Traffic and Crime Safety is our patrol strategy designed to focus on the hot spot areas for accidents and criminal incidents. Below are the hotspot locations and number of contacts charts.

Top 5 Traffic Collision Areas

Location	Crashes
Darrington/Pawling	3
Darrington/Ryderwood	2
Eastlake/Horizon Mesa	1
N. Kenazo/Eastlake	1
Eastlake/Darrington	1

Traffic Contacts

2023	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	YTD
Sgt Juan Nunez	56	36	48	119	271	64	33	87	46	166	123	1049
Sgt Guillermo Rosas	130	82	63	56	80	108	150	41	130	145	245	1230
Sgt John Rodriguez	53	36	99	66	61	45	84	77	128	106	131	886
Administrative Team	20	78	53	52	97	40	34	36	47	48	49	554

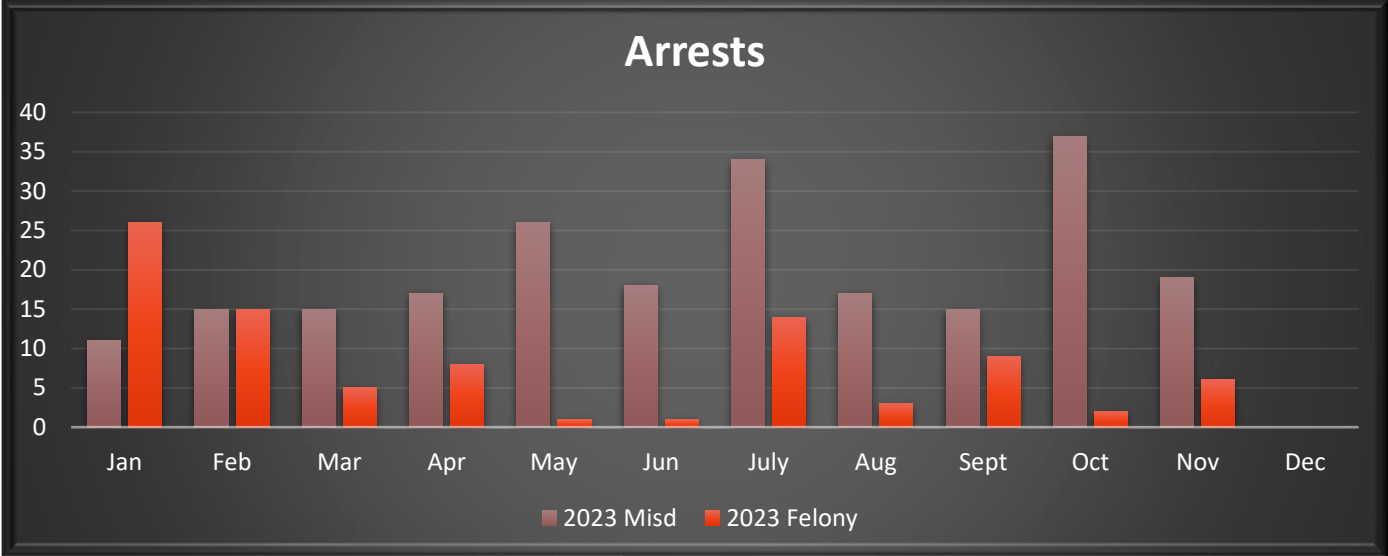


Calls for Service

	Sgt. Juan Nunez	Sgt. Guillermo Rosas	Sgt. John C. Rodriguez	Administrative Team	Total
Dispatched calls	214	305	273	94	986
Self-Initiated calls	160	349	291	173	973
Incident Reports	20	32	20	2	74
Crash Reports	11	9	5	1	26
Total	505	695	589	270	4118

Arrests

Arrest Breakdown	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	YTD
2023 Felony Arrests	11	15	5	8	1	1	14	0	9	2	6	72
2023 Misdemeanor Arrests	26	15	15	17	26	18	34	11	15	37	19	233
Sgt. Nunez												
Felony Arrest							12	2	1	0	0	15
Misdemeanor Arrest							22	0	3	15	4	44
Sgt. Rosas												
Felony Arrest							0	1	3	0	3	7
Misdemeanor Arrest							6	5	3	11	10	35
Sgt. John Rodriguez												
Felony Arrest							2	0	3	2	3	10
Misdemeanor Arrest							5	1	8	10	4	28



Month to Month Comparison



35.9% Decrease

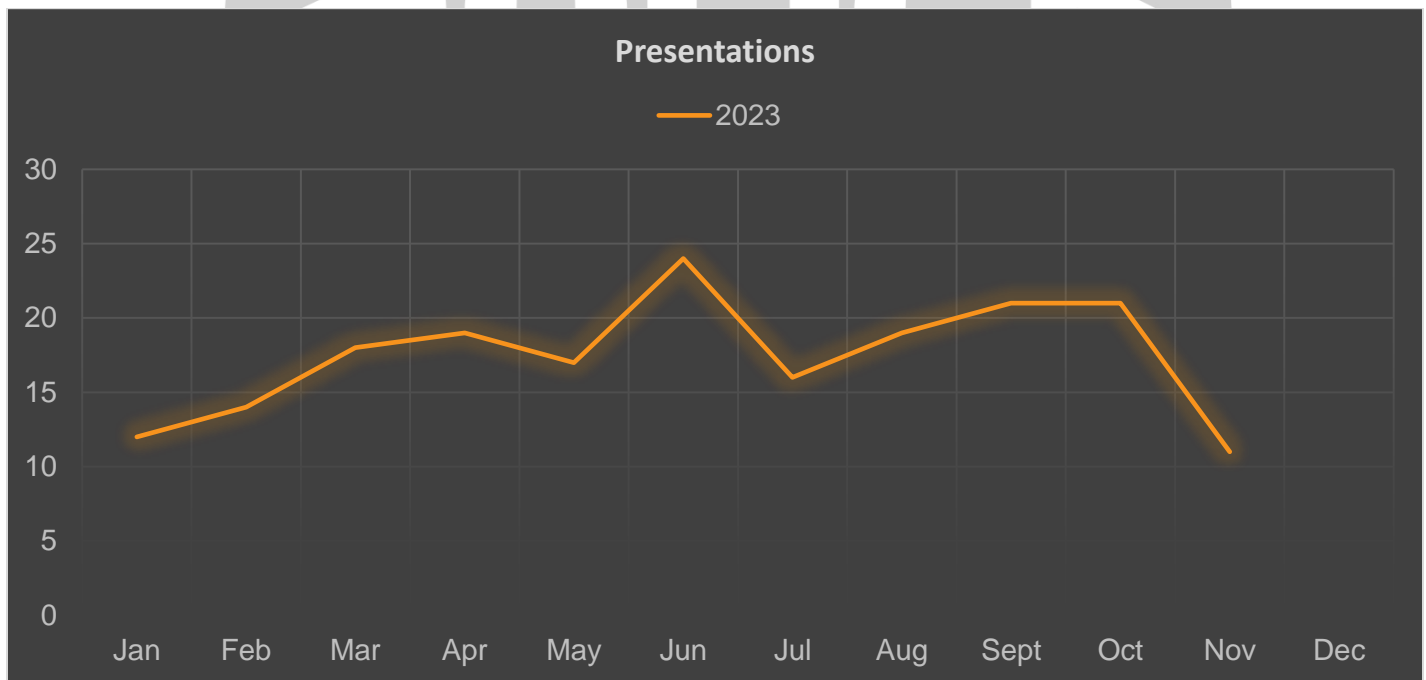
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Community Outreach & Public Relations

Officer Heli Sierra 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	19	21	21	11		120



Month to Month Comparison



47% Decrease

Criminal Investigations Division

Early on in the month, our detectives responded to a several major incidents which required extensive precision and collaboration to investigate. Our detectives have been able to build on these major cases by communicating with some of our sister agencies and getting them involved in surveillance and data collection efforts. We expect the fruits of solved cases to come from these partnerships.

Our CID team has been preparing to conduct a criminal warrant sweep during the month of December. These types of endeavors require a notable amount of double checking as some warrants can be recalled by the district attorney without notification to our agency. As a result, we could potentially arrest someone without justification. The CID team discovered two warrants which had been cancelled and thanks to those efforts, we will rest assured that our agency will carry out its mission in accordance to law and the high expectations set by the community.

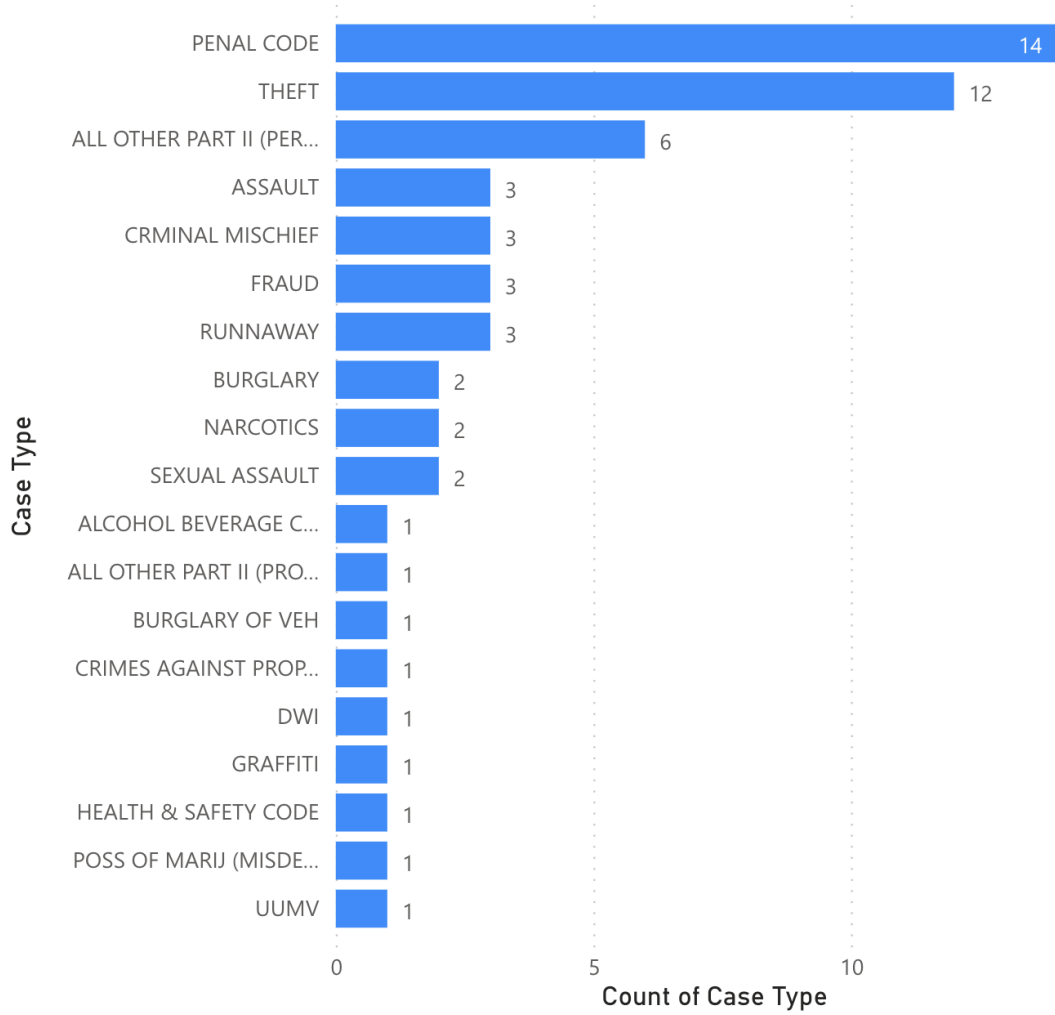
Evidence Room Update - The annual inspection is underway during the month of November. Annual inventories of evidence rooms are a fundamental practice to maintain the integrity of evidence, comply with regulations, address discrepancies, and uphold public trust in law enforcement agencies. Regular checks contribute to the overall effectiveness of the criminal justice system and help ensure that evidence is handled responsibly and ethically.

Investigations

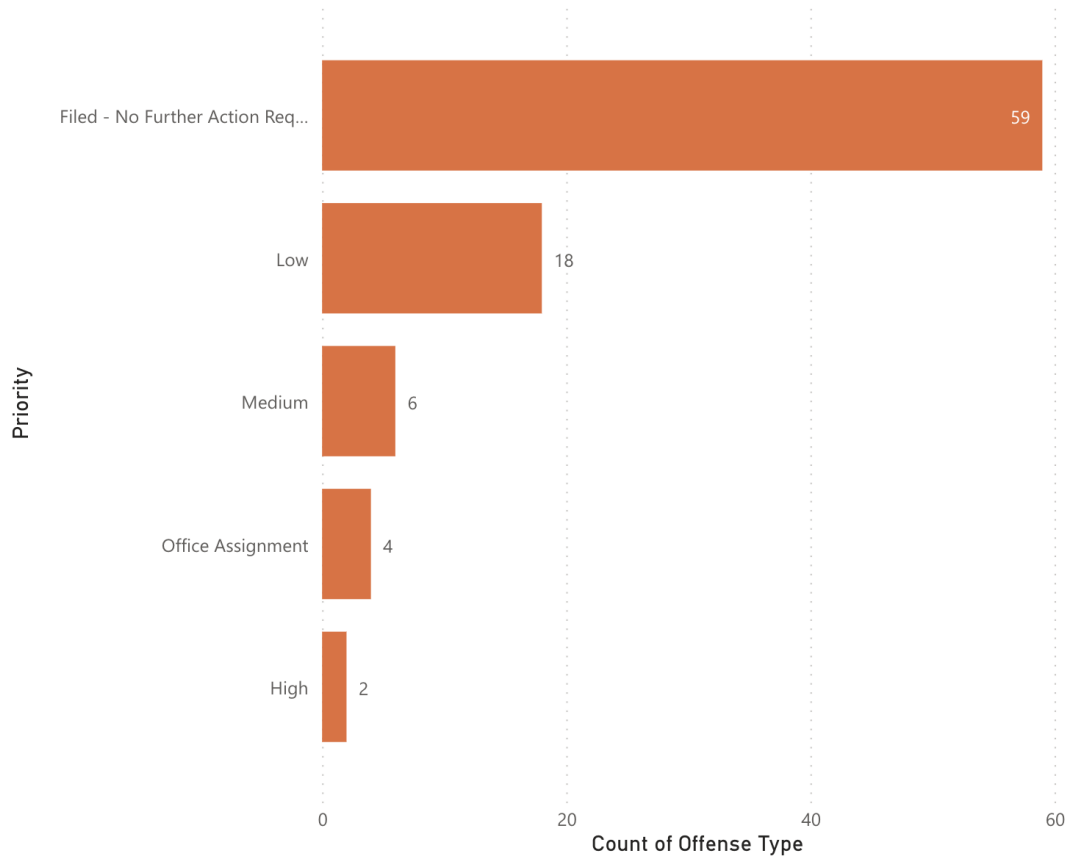
Lieutenant Kaycee Valdez oversees our Criminal Investigations Division, where a team of dedicated professionals is responsible for examining a broad array of criminal cases. This unit is comprised of three detectives who handle cases ranging from misdemeanors to more serious felony offenses.

Their job involves digging into these cases, collecting evidence, and working closely with various partners to bring investigations to a conclusion. Lieutenant Valdez and her team are committed to upholding the law and ensuring the safety of our community through their hard work and dedication.

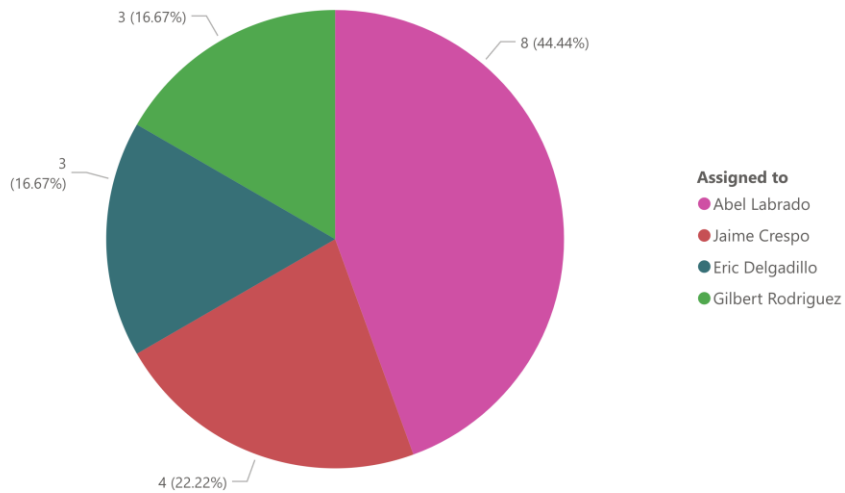
Count of Case Type by Case Type



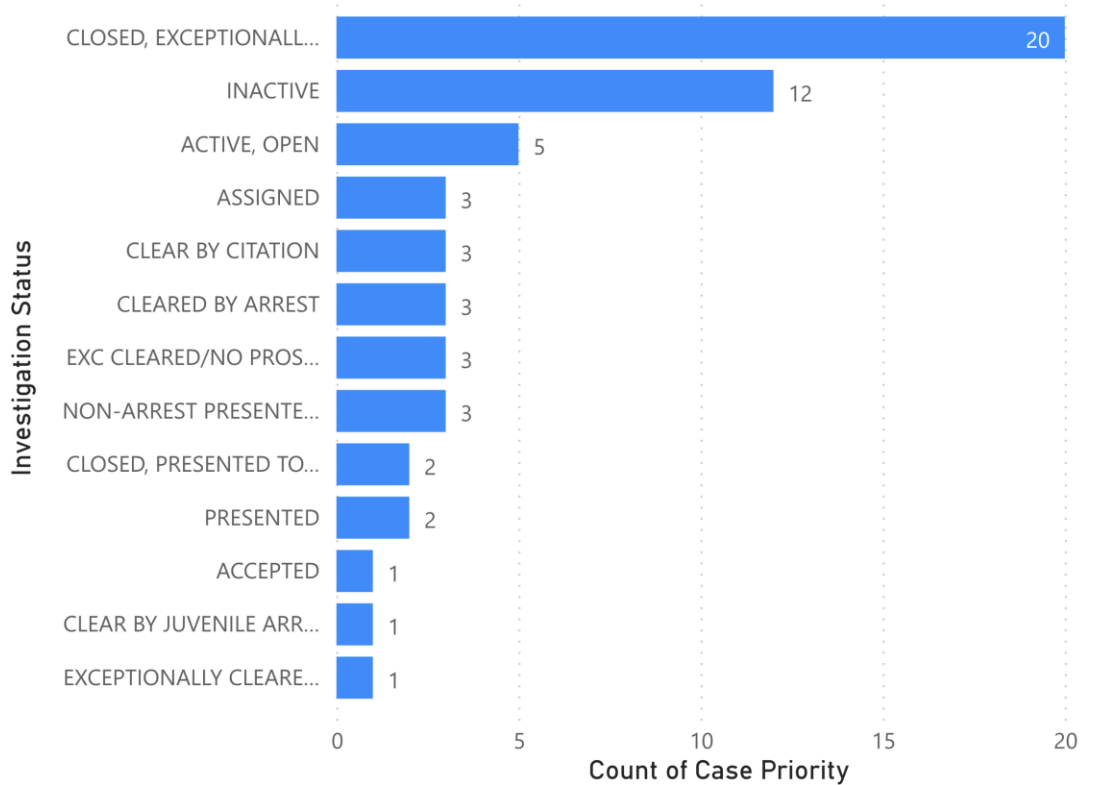
Count of Offense Type by Priority



Count of Offense Type by Assigned to



Count of Case Priority by Investigation Status



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

Training attended in September 2023.

- On October 15-17, 2023, CID Detectives attended a specialized training on how to conduct investigations related to deaths suspected to be caused by overdose.
- On October 27, 2023, Detective Rodriguez set out to complete a three-week specialized training on crisis intervention training. Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) is a specialized training program designed to educate law enforcement officers and other first responders on how to effectively handle situations involving individuals experiencing a mental health crisis. The goal of CIT is to improve the safety of all individuals involved, including the person in crisis, the responding officers, and the public.

Traffic Division

Officer Eric Delgadillo is entrusted with the responsibility of overseeing the meticulous enforcement of commercial vehicle regulations. His duties encompass the diligent inspection of commercial vehicles, where the spectrum of potential violations uncovered spans from relatively minor administrative discrepancies, often referred to as "paper" infractions, to significantly more perilous instances of negligence in maintaining essential vehicle safety equipment.

These critical equipment violations, if left unchecked, have the potential to culminate in catastrophic accidents, underscoring the essential role Officer Delgadillo plays in ensuring road safety and regulatory compliance within the commercial transportation sector.

Every detailed roadside inspection can take upwards of 2 hours to complete. During the month of October, Officer Eric Delgadillo conducted over 20 inspections and discovered over 40 violations.

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT	Activity Summary
Commercial Vehicles Inspected	15
Commercial Vehicles Placed Out of Service	10
Citations Issued	12
Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Training (hrs.)	24
Body Camera Program Training (hrs.)	8
Body Camera Program Development & Maintenance (hrs.)	16
Body Camera Program Hardware Maintenance & Install (hrs)	12
Criminal Cases Generated	2
Crash Reports Generated	2

Forensics Unit

Bernadette Ortega is an outstanding asset to our team, serving as our Crime Scene and Evidence Lead. Her remarkable experience sets her among the top professionals in the state. Officer Abraham Diaz also works alongside her in the Crime Scene and Evidence department, contributing their skills to handle forensic evidence and conduct thorough crime scene investigations. Together, they uphold the highest standards of forensic work.

Forensic Unit Responsibilities

Activity	#
Hours of in-service training	12
Hours of training given	6
Hours pieces of evidence were processed	22
Pieces of evidence were received	38
Pieces of evidence were released	
Record requests were released	25
Latent Prints were collected at crime scenes	5
Latent Prints compared	4
Positive Latent Identifications	3
Latent Produced	
Supplement Reports	24
I.D.'s was made	7
Walk ins for fingerprints	

Field non-crime scene evidence related.	5
Field crime scene evidence requests	2
Walk-in Crime Scene Evidence Related	3
Redaction of Cases	5
Redaction Process hours	10
Redaction Videos Completed	2
Positive Latent Identifications	1
Photographs at Crime Scenes were taken	90
E-Trace Submissions	
E-Trace HITS	
NIBIN Submissions	
NIBIN HITS	
Test Fire Completed	
Test Fire HITS	
Court (Hrs)	

Warrants Division and Bailiff

Officer Abraham Diaz fulfills a multifaceted role within the law enforcement department, acting as both the Court Bailiff and the Warrants Officer. Officer Abraham Diaz plays a crucial role in our law enforcement team. He's the go-to person for handling matters related to the municipal court, which is held twice a week. In this role, he ensures everything runs smoothly in the court.

In addition, he's responsible for serving summonses. These are notices given to people involved in cases with witnesses or juveniles, and he handles them as needed, making sure they reach the right people. Officer Diaz's hard work in these areas shows his dedication to keeping our community safe and our law enforcement operations running smoothly.

Officer Diaz also takes care of executing traffic warrants, collecting bond, and making sure those who need to appear in court are brought in. To keep our police vehicles in top shape, he regularly drives them to maintenance services.

Communications Section

The Communications Section is overseen by the Communications Manager and is comprised of 3 Communications Shift Supervisors, and 13 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	00:10:04	00:07:59	100%	90%
Priority 4-6 Pending to Arrival less than or equal to 34 Minutes:	00:10:09	00:05:28	100%	80%
Priority 7-9 Pending to Arrival less than or equal to 52 Minutes:	00:15:25	00:07:36	100%	70%

Horizon Police Calls for Service

	Dispatched	Self-Initiated	Mobile Data Terminal Calls	Total
Horizon Police	1,482	858	360	2,700

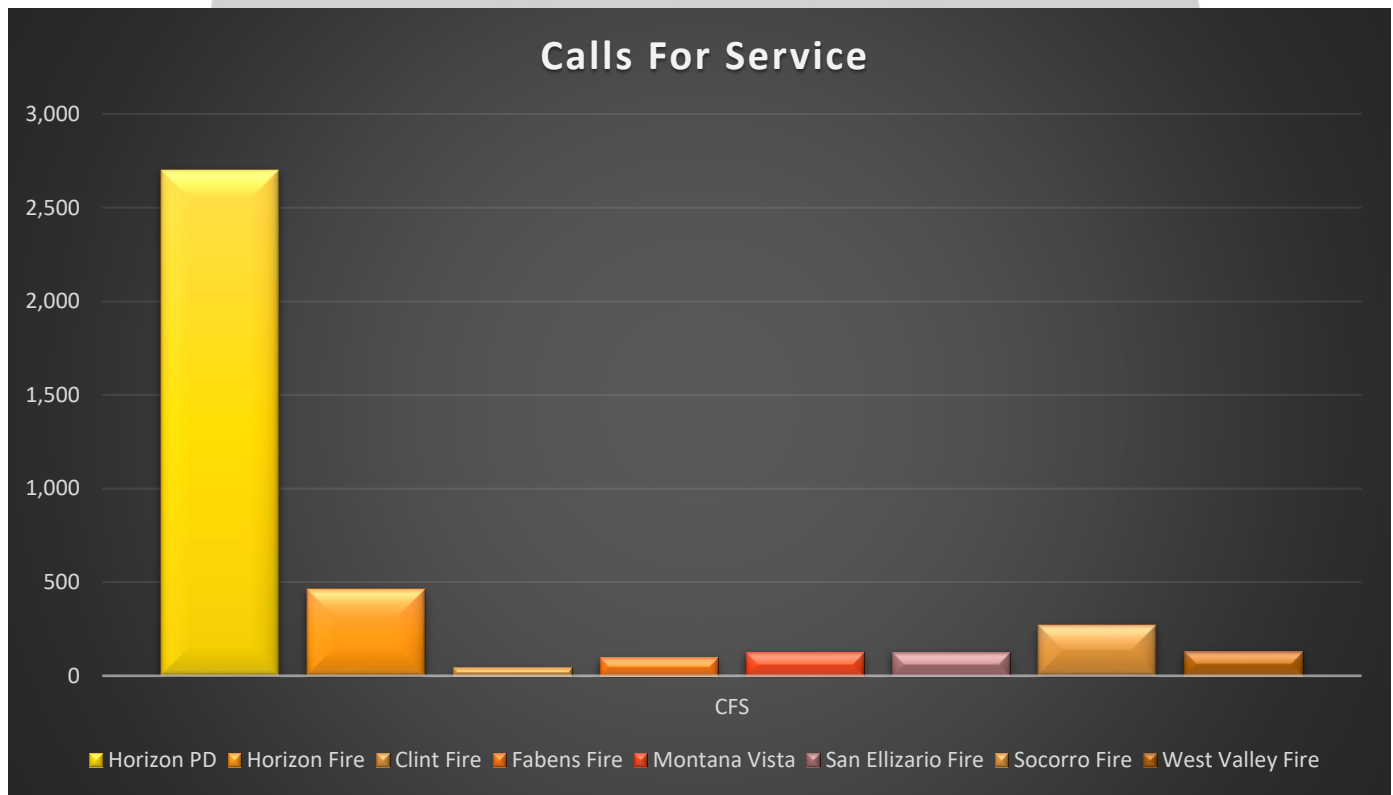
ESD 1 Calls for Service

	Alarm	Assist	Brush Fire	Car Fire	Water Gas Leaks	Medical	MVA	Structure Fires	Total
Horizon Fire	95	25	6	3	24	264	39	6	462

ESD 2 Calls for Service

	Alarm	Assist	Brush Fire	Car Fire	Water/Gas Leaks	Medical	MVA	Structure Fire	Total
Clint	0	0	0	0	0	36	7	0	43
Fabens	0	5	5	4	2	74	4	2	96

Montana Vista	3	7	7	1	3	92	10	2	125
San Elizario	4	5	2	0	6	102	5	2	126
Socorro	16	18	11	4	6	169	45	1	270
West Valley	9	8	6	0	3	91	12	2	131
Total	32	43	31	9	20	464	83	9	791



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Departmental Significant and Notable Accomplishments

Developmental Training

Juan Carlos Gonzalez attended the 24-hour mandated TCIC/TLETS Full Access Operator Training Course. This course is for operators who perform all TCIC/NCIC functions, including inquiry, entry, modification, clearing, canceling, and III functions. In addition, three recently hired communications specialists attended the four-hour CPR course. The CPR course is a requirement prior to telecommunicators attending the Emergency Medical and Fire Emergency Dispatch training.



Update in Dispatch Call Taking

The communications manager and communications specialist met with the Public Safety Systems Administrator from the El Paso County 911 district to discuss implementing the Police Priority Dispatch System. The Police Priority Dispatch System is the police dispatching protocol with over 100 approved questions and instructions. Communications specialists are able to effectively obtain vital information and send the correct response to help callers, victims, officers, and bystanders in both emergency and non-emergency situations. Thirty-six Police protocols are standards for every situation. For example, lost and found property, robberies, domestic disturbances, active shooters, etc.



International Academies of Emergency Dispatch.

Excellent Work in Dispatch

On November 27th, the El Paso 911 District re-routed all 9-1-1 calls for El Paso Police Department and El Paso Sheriff's Office to the Horizon City Police Department. There is an agreement with the El Paso 911 District between Horizon, Fort Bliss, and Socorro Police Departments to assist with any overflow of calls and disasters. Horizon City Police Department handled a total of eighty-six 9-1-1 calls during the overflow of calls. Anthony Dominguez, Stephanie Cortes, Vincent Silva, Irlanda Huerta, Julie Nava, Sonya Dozier, and Elva Ramos worked together to handle the overwhelming amount of calls received. Good job!

Grant Training

The communications manager, a communications specialist and the administrative assistant attended a two-day Grant Writing Workshop at the El Paso County Sheriff's Office Region VIII Training Academy. In the workshop, the instructor reviewed the theory on how to write grant proposals and how to locate and track relevant grant opportunities.



Latin X 94.3 Interview

On Thursday, November 2, 2023, Officer H. Sierra spoke with Humberto Hernandez, the Executive Director for a local radio station, LATIN X 94.3. Officer Sierra met the director during a gym grand opening in October and introduced himself and the police department's interest in holding a Q&A with listeners from his radio station. He let Mr. Hernandez know the purpose would be to interact with the public and show transparency with the agency and hopefully educate the public on certain topics they may have questions about. On November 2nd, Officer Sierra and Latin X had a 20-minute interview in which Officer Sierra talked about different topics. One of those was on DWI's and how to prevent them. They spoke about how age, weight, gender, drinking habits and the amount of alcohol all affect people differently and their body's blood alcohol content. The consequences were given and explained in regard to the criminal portion of Driving While Intoxicated but also the dangers drunk drivers pose to themselves and others. Mr. Hernandez stated he wanted to grow a professional relationship with HCPD and continue doing interviews as time passes.



Speed Trailer

On Friday, November 3, 2023, Officer H. Sierra and Officer V. Hernandez relocated the police department's speed trailer from 900 S. Darrington Road, Horizon City to 13600 Horizon Boulevard. Horizon Boulevard has gone through construction for the past year and is the most travelled road in Horizon City. The speed limit also changed from 50mph to 45mph on traffic traveling West. This roadway is used by both passenger vehicles, commercial vehicles and had a median added to the roadway. The speed trailer is set to alert drivers when they are above the speed limit as a reminder to slow down and prevent traffic accidents. The speed trailer is moved every other month to areas that are used frequently by drivers and have "speeding" as a reason for traffic stops.

REMS CAREER DAY

On Thursday, November 9th, 2023, Community Relations Officer H. Sierra and Sex Offender Registry and Tracking Officer V. Hernandez attended Ricardo Estrada Middle School Career Day. Officers started the day by setting up at the gymnasium where they met multiple other law enforcement agencies and businesses. Officers provided students with a small presentation about Horizon City Police Department and the involvement the department and employees have with the community. After the presentation, officers would ask the students that were present a couple of questions regarding what had been presented. Those students that would get the most correct answers received a tumbler or a water bottle. Officers encouraged all students to continue with their studies to be able to pursue a career of interest. After the event, officers and all other attendees were treated to hamburgers, chips, and sodas to enjoy. Being invited by different school districts to their Career Day is very important to the department as it is our goal to make it known to our newer generation that we are out there for them to serve and protect them and if someday they wish to pursue a career in law enforcement, they can accomplish it and be there to serve and protect their community.



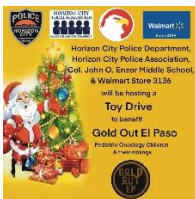
Burning of the flag and Veteran's Ceremony

On Saturday, November 11th, 2023, Horizon City Police Department's Chief of Police, patrol lieutenant, sergeants and officers had the honor to join the American Legion Post 598 to be a part of their flag burning ceremony. The burning of the flag happens once it is no longer serviceable, as a sign of respect and it is done in a dignified manner. Officers with Horizon City Police Department also joined Post 598 for their Veterans Day Ceremony and concluded the afternoon with a dinner alongside veterans from all military branches. It was a truly humbling experience and honor to be alongside the men and women who have selflessly served our country.



Ensor Middle School Partnership

On Tuesday, November 14, 2023, Community Relations Officer H. Sierra met with the Activity Director from Ensor Middle School Danika Blevins. Miss Blevins expressed her interest in doing a toy drive of some sort with the Horizon City Police Department for the Christmas season before the students left for their Winter Break. Miss Blevins stated she wanted the students to interact more with the community and see how they could be more engaged. Officer Sierra reached out to one of the members of the Gold Out El Paso Foundation and offered to do a toy drive for their kids. The foundation is a pediatric oncology group that looks to bring awareness and assistance to children going through cancer as well as support to their families. The foundation is made up of parents who have kids going through chemotherapy, are in remission or have lost the battle to cancer. Officer Sierra first interacted with Gold Out member Survey in October and let her know the department wanted to partner up with them for a toy drive since then. Suracy let Officer Sierra know it would be great to have a toy drive and would create a flyer for the donations of toys. Officer Sierra was also able to bring in the Walmart located in Horizon City and the Horizon City Police Association. The toy drive was scheduled to end on December 15 and HCPD will be dropping off the toys in time for their Christmas party.



Car Seat Class #6

On Tuesday, November 14th, 2023, Officers with Horizon City Police Department hosted their 6th Car Seat Class for the community to ensure the safety of their children. Car Seat classes are usually hosted at the Town of Horizon City Hall, but officers hosted their 6th class at local Gold Eagle Park. Officer Hernandez ensures to call parents and gathers information to be able to provide them with an appointment. The goal is to be able to book between six to nine kids per class. During class 6, nine kids were expected to show up for their car seats to be inspected and provide parents with further car seat education along with proper installations. A total of three car seats were provided to families to better help protect their children whenever they are traveling in a vehicle. Officers continue to provide two separate classes a month to the community and if available, officers also provide their service to any person that goes to the police station. In case officers with HCPD are not available, parents get referred to El Paso Fire Department Montana Vista or University Medical Center as they are also a site to provide this service.

Frank Macias Elementary Career Day

On Friday, November 17th, 2023, Community Relations Officer H. Sierra and Sex Offender Registry and Tracking Officer V. Hernandez attended Frank Macias Elementary School Career Day. Officers met with Frank Macias staff and were provided with a table to set up for the day along with other different law enforcement agencies and businesses. Officers met with hundreds of kids ranging from Pre-K to 4th



Grade. Just like the previous week, officers provided students with a small presentation and informed them of the different divisions within the department and what officers do. Officers asked several questions to engage with the students and finally provided students with a coloring sheet for them to do as an activity in



their classroom. Frank Macias staff treated all attendees with Olive Garden and soft drinks to end their day at Career Day.

Coffee with a Partner

On Monday, November 20, 2023, officers from Horizon City Police Department gathered at Amber's Coffee bar for a Coffee with a Partner. This is the second time this year that HCPD invited officers from multiple agencies in El Paso. The purpose of Coffee with a Partner is to keep law enforcement agencies up to date and be able to network with each other. During Coffee with a Partner, everyone interacts with each other and sees what everyone else has going on and how they can help. HCPD treated all guests to a coffee and pastries as a token of appreciation. Those in attendance shared their upcoming events, trainings and operations and were able to share ideas to improve those upcoming plans. Some of the agencies that attended were DPS, Socorro PD, El Paso County Sheriff's Office, TABC, and El Paso Police Department. Officer Sierra was able to speak with one of the mentors for the Public Safety Cadets and decided to make a weeklong course for their groups with competitions and recognitions at the end of the week for those that excelled. The next Coffee with a Partner is locked in for the Month of March and is expected to happen quarterly to ensure HCPD stays connected to other departments.

Thanksgiving Parade

On Thursday, November 27, 2023, Officers H. Sierra and V. Hernandez attended the Sun Bowl Thanksgiving Parade in El Paso. Close to 100 participants registered their organizations into the parade this year with the theme being "Rock & Roll". Officer Sierra was the point of contact for the department in registering HCPD. Officer Sierra was joined by his wife and kids in the display of the police department's unit. During the time they were waiting for the parade to begin, Officer Sierra and Hernandez walked the staging area and met with some participants who they took pictures as well as



introduce themselves if it was their first time meeting them. The parade began at 10:00am and ended shortly past 12:00pm. During their appearance in the parade, it was announced that the Officer of the Year for Horizon City Police Department was Officer E. Delgadillo. This was the second time Officer Sierra had attended the parade and it was Officer V. Hernandez' first time attending and not spectating the Sun Bowl Thanksgiving Parade.



DWI PSA

On Wednesday, November 29, 2023, Community Relations Officer Sierra created a short Public Service Announcement video to post on Facebook about the consequences of drinking and driving. Officer Sierra was able to get Detective A. Labrado, Patrol Officer C. Morales, and emergency communications dispatcher Vincent to assist with the video. The video took place in the court room and took approximately an hour to get all the audio and video taken care of. Officer V. Hernandez also assisted Officer Sierra in recording his portion of the PSA. The PSA asked for drivers to not take the risk of drinking and driving. The consequences, both financial and criminally were mentioned as well as what other options there are instead of getting behind the wheel after consuming alcohol. The PSA was posted on Facebook as that is where the department has its biggest following. The next PSA will be about properly securing vehicles to avoid vehicle burglaries or theft of vehicles for the month of December.

Toy Drive

On Wednesday November 29, 2023, Officer Sierra met with Chacon Towing to see how both entities could work together. The company's owner sent out his son to meet up with HCPD and see how they could become more active in the community. Joshua gave a donation of \$1000 to the toy drive that was created by the police department and Ensor Middle School. Officer Sierra, Lieutenant Ortega, and Warrants Officer Diaz met Joshua Chacon at the local Walmart and purchased over 150 toys that ranged from age 3 all the way up 18. The toy collection lasted about an hour and during the shopping of the toys, HCPD gave a brief description of what it is they do throughout the year to stay active and connected to the community. Chacon Towing also met with the Chief of police and expressed his interest in assisting more with the towing of vehicles and being of better use for the police department.

The reason for it is that Chacon Towing sees response time as a contributing factor to patrol officers becoming available sooner during times when a vehicle needs to be taken off a roadway. Officer Sierra will continue to interact with Chacon Towing and seeing how they can both collaborate in the future.



Significant Accomplishments and Recognitions

Communications

The Horizon City Police Department Communications Section would like to recognize Communication Specialist Julie Nava. During this past month, Ms. Nava has shown herself to be a reliable employee. She is always punctual arriving to work. Julie is a team player as she assists in covering overtime when needed. Even when notified at the last minute, he has shown a tremendous level of dedication to her team. She has demonstrated herself to be an excellent team player. Her performance this month falls within the highest traditions of the Horizon City Police Department.

Police

Early on in the month, our detectives responded to a several major incidents which required extensive precision and collaboration to investigate. Our detectives have been able to build on these major cases by communicating with some of our sister agencies and getting them involved in surveillance and data collection efforts. We expect the fruits of solved cases to come from these partnerships.

Our CID team has been preparing to conduct a criminal warrant sweep during the month of December. These type of endeavors require a notable amount of double checking as some warrants can be recalled by the district attorney without notification to our agency. As a result, we could potentially arrest someone without justification. The CID team discovered two warrants which had been cancelled and thanks to those efforts, we can rest assured that our agency will carry out its mission in accordance to law and the high expectations set by the community.

Evidence Room Update - The annual inspection is underway during the month of November. Annual inventories of evidence rooms are a fundamental practice to maintain the integrity of evidence, comply with regulations, address discrepancies, and uphold public trust in law enforcement agencies. Regular checks contribute to the overall effectiveness of the criminal justice system and help ensure that evidence is handled responsibly and ethically.

During this past month, Officers from the Evening Shift led the department with most reports taken, most self-initiated calls and most traffic contacts. Led by Sgt Guillermo Rosas and Cpl. Victor Vasquez, they managed to stay proactive. Their work ethic was exemplary. Great job to the officers from second shift who went above and beyond their call of duty to keep our community safe.

