

CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1424 MISSION STREET, SOUTH PASADENA, CA 91030 **VIA HYBRID / IN-PERSON**

Monday, March 14, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

South Pasadena Public Safety Commission Statement of Civility

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CALL TO ORDER	Chair Alsarraf
ROLL CALL	Commissioners Grace Liu Kung, Jeremy Ding, Ed Donnelly, Lisa Watson, Lindsey Angelats; Vice-Chair Stephanie Cao; and Chair Amin Alsarraf
COUNCIL LIAISON:	Councilmember Jon Primuth

PUBLIC COMMENT AND SUGGESTIONS

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1) Agenda item you are submitting public comment on.

2) Submit by no later than 6:00pm March 13, 2022.

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1. <u>Public Comment</u>

ACTION/DISCUSSION

2. <u>Minutes of the Public Safety Commission Meeting of February 14, 2022</u> Consideration of the minutes of the Public Safety Commission regular meeting of February 14, 2022.

3. <u>Emergency Operations Plans</u>

Recommendation

It is recommended that the PSC hold a discussion on the update to the City's Emergency operations Plan and provide recommendations to the City Council regarding the update.

INFORMATION REPORTS

4. <u>Public Safety Annual Reports</u>

COMMUNICATIONS

- 5. <u>City Council Liaison Communications</u>
- 6. <u>Staff Liaison Communications</u>
- 7. <u>Commissioner Communications</u>

ADJOURNMENT

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I declare under penalty of perjury that I posted this notice of agenda on the bulletin board in the courtyard of City Hall at 1414 Mission Street, South Pasadena, CA, and the City's website at <u>www.southpasadenaca.gov</u> on <u>March 10, 2022</u> as required by law.

March 10, 2022 Date



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2022 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA

CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Public Safety Commission was called to order by Chair Alsarraf on Monday, February 14, 2022, at 8:47 a.m., in the Amedee O. "Dick" Richards, Jr., Council Chamber, located at 1424 Mission Street, South Pasadena, California.

ROLL CALL

- **Present:** Commissioners: Grace Liu Kung, Lisa Watson, Ed Donnelly, Jeremy Ding and Chair Amin Alsarraf
- Absent: Commissioner Lindsay Angelats, Vice-Chair Cao
- Officials Fire Chief Paul Riddle, Police Chief Brian Solinsky
- **Present:** City Council Liaison Jon Primuth, Fire Operations Division Chief Eric Zanteson, Management Analyst Alison Wehrle and Police Department Clerk/Recording Secretary Laura Mendez.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

1. No Public Comments

ACTION/DISCUSSION

2. Minutes of the Public Safety Commission Meeting of January 10, 2022

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WATSON, AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER LIU KUNG, CARRIED 4-0, to approve the Minutes of the January 10, 2021 Public Safety Commission Regular Meeting.

3. <u>Updates on Firearms Safe Ordinance</u>

Lieutenant Tom Jacobs gave a presentation and researched some key issues that has been brought up on other meetings and further research was done. Lieutenant Jacobs gave detail answers on previous concerns that had been brought up by residents of South Pasadena.

Public Comments were given by a few South Pasadena Residents.

Statement was also provided by the City Attorney in regards to the prosecution of the violation of this Ordinance.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LIU KUNG, AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER DING, CARRIED 5-0, to approve the Ordinance for review by the City Council.

4. <u>Request to Authorize a Letter of Support to Elected Officials Urging Stricter</u> <u>Regulations on Recycling Industry when Receiving Catalytic Converters</u>

Management Analyst Alison Wehrle gave brief a report on the request authorization of a letter to support stricter regulations for the recycling industry when receiving catalytic converters. An increase in thefts of catalytic converters in the past few years has been growing.

The City of South Pasadena has seen an increase of catalytic converters in recent years. Information was provided on the process of how thieves sell the stolen catalytic converters to recycling centers.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER DONNELLY, AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER DING, CARRIED 5-0, to support the letter requesting stricter regulations on the recycling industry.

5. <u>City of South Pasadena Strategic Plan and Public Safety Commission 2022 Draft</u> <u>Work Plan</u>

Fire Chief Paul Riddle gave an overview of the City's adopted 2021-2026 strategic plan and focused on the area that addresses Public Safety and Emergency Management. This will be a discussion and then the work plan will be brought back in the March meeting for final adoption.

Chief Riddle went into detail on the overview of the strategic plan and more details are available on the city's website on the Public Safety Commission webpage.

6. <u>Emergency Operations Plan</u>

Fire Chief Riddle stated that Fire Operations Division Chief Zanteson serves as the City's emergency manager provided a PowerPoint presentation. Information regarding the Fire Department's ability to remain prepared to respond to and recover from any type of disaster within the City. Also included was information on to leveraging grant funding as well as reimbursement for disaster response.

Fire Operations Division Chief Zanteson shared the first draft of the EOP update since 2016, complete with more current language and documentation. The information and charts are provided on the City's Website under Public Safety Commission, this information goes into depth of task and job descriptions in case of an emergency.

COMMUNICATIONS

7. City Council Liaison Communications

City Council Liaison Primuth provided information on the upcoming City Council Meeting. The Council will also be getting a mid-year financial report with staff recommendations, along with a discussion of the balloon and fireworks of the July 4th event. A change in format at the beginning of Public Comment will create a 30 minute limit on Public Comment at the beginning of the meeting, and remaining public comment that will be deferred to the end of the meeting.

8. Staff Liaison Communications

Fire Chief Riddle stated that the Fire Department recently hired a new Firefighter Paramedic with seven years of previous experience. The new hire brings the Fire Department up to full staffing levels, notwithstanding three long term injuries. Police Chief Solinsky stated that the Police Department has finished the RFQ process for the public safety assessment, and the RFP is expected to be released mid-March.

9. Commissioner Communications

Commissioner Liu Kung wanted to update everyone about the schools and mentioned that the EOC is a useful tool for gaining an understanding into how emergency operations works. It was mentioned that with the Omicron spike, school activities were put on pause. The School District did provide families with home covid-19 tests for use in determining positive cases. The number of positive cases has gone down significantly, so school activities have returned, and volunteers are also allowed back on campus.

Commissioner Donnelly thanked staff for being flexible to get the meeting to happen with the technical challenges at the beginning.

Commissioner Ding thanked everyone for attending and participating.

Chair Alsarraf would echoed Commissioner Donnelly's comment thanking staff for the detailed presentations and for answering the questions.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Amin Alsarraf adjourned the meeting at 10:26 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Laura Mendez / Recording Secretary Amin Alsarraf / Chair



DATE: March 14, 2022

FROM: Paul Riddle, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: Emergency Operations Plan

Due to file size the Agenda item number six Emergency Operations Plan can be found at this link or click <u>here</u> <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VZhYWvZMzto0cDzOJ_HrwyehYp3tClwS/view?usp=sharing</u>



Public Safety Commission Agenda Report

ITEM NO._4_

SUBJECT:	Public Safety Annual Reports
	Brian Solinsky, Police Chief
FROM:	Paul Riddle, Fire Chief
DATE:	March 14, 2022

Attachments:

- A. 2020/2021 Fire Department Biennial Report
- B. 2020/2021 Police Department Biennial Report

ATTACHMENT A

2020/2021 Fire Department Biennial Report

South Pasadena Fire Department 2020/21 Biennial Report

Paul Riddle, Fire Chief

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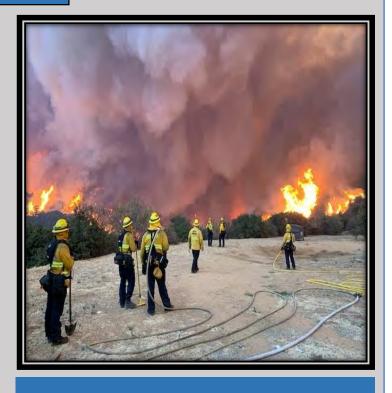


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Message From The Chief

I am proud to present the 2020/21 Biennial Report for the South Pasadena Fire Department.

Due to the challenges of the pandemic, this year's report will be a Biennial report encompassing the response statistics for calendar year's 2020 and 2021.

I would like to thank the South Pasadena City Council and City Manager Arminé Chaparyan for their leadership and support of public safety. This partnership ensures that the South Pasadena Fire Department (SPFD) is aligned to provide the highest level of customer service to the citizens of South Pasadena. I would also like to thank the members of the SPFD for their dedication and professionalism.

With the arrival of Covid-19, the past two years have been extremely challenging. Our Firefighters have responded tirelessly to ensure the safety of our community and city staff. SPFD worked rapidly to secure personal protective equipment, create operational directives and protocols to keep our members and the community safe, and worked alongside city staff to secure both state and federal funding to assist with our response and recovery efforts.

In addition to the pandemic, 2020/21 was also one of the busiest brush fire seasons on record. Our Firefighter's responded to over 11 major fires throughout the state. Through these challenges, they maintained a 'can do' attitude and never waivered from their mission.

I am extremely proud to be a part of this organization, working alongside such dedicated and caring individuals. The mission of our department is to save lives and protect property. Regardless of the ask from our community, our firefighters stand ready to assist.

SPFD remains dedicated in working collaboratively with the community, city leadership, the Public Safety Commission and our local, state and federal partners to ensure we continue to deliver outstanding service to the community.

With gratitude,

Paul Riddle

Paul Riddle, Fire Chief

Department Overview

The South Pasadena Fire Department Station 81 is located at 817 Mound Ave. The Fire Department is an "All Risk" agency responding to fires, emergency medical calls, technical rescues, hazardous material responses, brush fires, and animal rescues. In addition to emergency responses, SPFD also performs fire investigations, fire prevention services and emergency management for the City of South Pasadena (City).

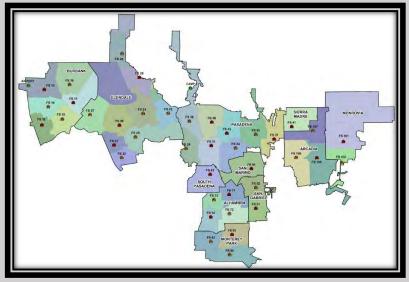
South Pasadena Fire Fighter's are on duty 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and have been providing professional service to the city of South Pasadena since 1907.



Two Year Cumulative Totals

Verdugo Fire Communication Center Unified Response

Verdugo Fire Communication Center (VFCC) began with a tri-city collaboration in 1979, when the cities of Burbank, Glendale and Pasadena agreed to operate as a borderless system for fire incidents dispatched by VFCC. The success of this system later prompted the suggestion that all 11 of the cities in the local area should enter into a similar collaboration. Effective February 14, 2005, this collaboration was christened "Unified Response" and expanded to cover 11 cities: Alhambra, Arcadia,



Burbank, Glendale, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Pasadena, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre and South Pasadena. Since then, the city of Montebello and the Bob Hope Airport have also joined bringing the total participating cities to 13.

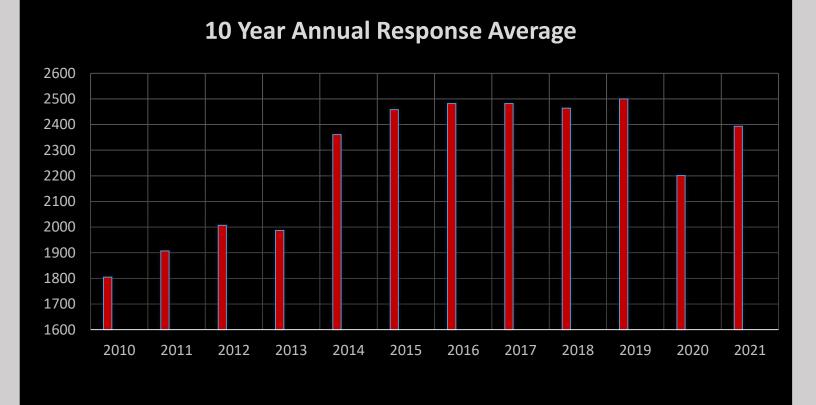
Unified Response essentially merged dozens of automatic & mutual-aid agreements between the 13 fire departments into a single automatic aid agreement. This eliminated the timeconsuming element inherent in mutual aid agreements, where permission to share resources is sought and obtained by communications center staff before the units can be dispatched. With an automatic aid agreement this type of permission is not required; the communications center immediately dispatches the closest available units and everyone works together to handle the incident.

Another major advantage of Unified Response is that it expands the amount and availability of personnel and equipment that fire departments can use daily for help and without delay. For example, SPFD has one engine, one recue ambulance, an air utility and a Battalion Chief to respond; under Unified Response, SPFD has access to 46 engines, 13 trucks, 5 water tenders, and many other specialized units such as Hazardous Material, Urban Search and Rescue equipment and water dropping helicopters from the Los Angeles City Fire Department. The collaboration has also been helpful in supporting requests for federal and state grant funding because of the larger multi-jurisdictional service area.

Total Responses

Call Volume Increases

Calls for service have steadily increased over the past 10 years. In fact, there has been a 30% increase in the total number of emergency responses annually since 2011.



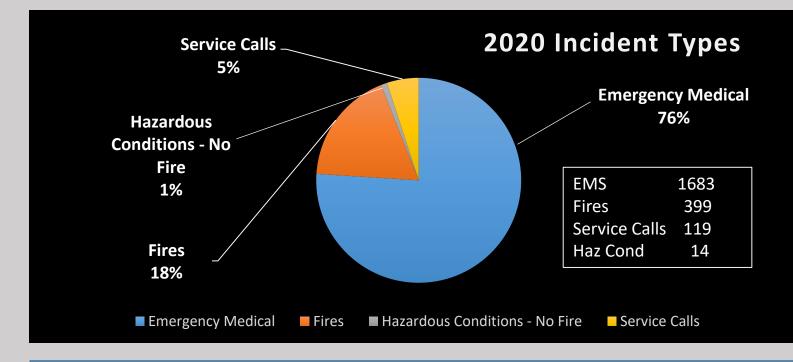
Total Responses for 2020 2,201

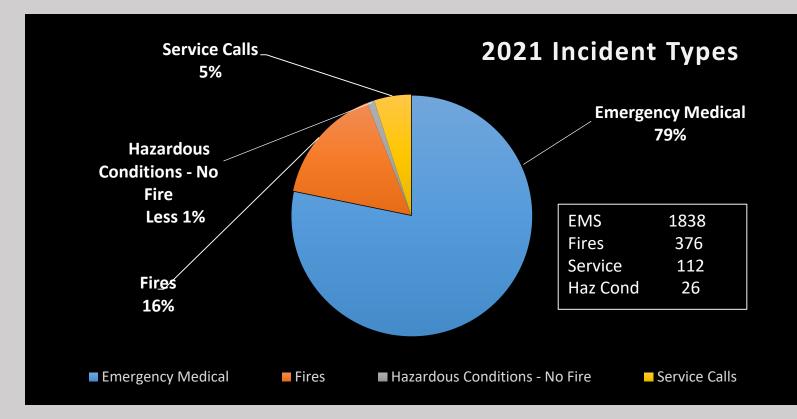
Total Responses for 2021 2,326

During the most active phase of the pandemic the average number of incidents actually decreased. As we enter into the recovery phase incident volume is back at normal levels and projected to increase over the next several years.

Incident Types

Calls for service are generally separated into 4 main categories: Emergency Medical, Fires, Hazardous Condition (No Fire), and Service Calls. During 2020 and 2021, the percentage of responses to each incident type remained consistent.





Response Standards

For 2020 and 2021, SPFD achieved average response times below the standards set by the National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) Standard 1710. NFPA 1710 quantifies total response times as the sum of "turn out" time and "travel" time. Turn out time is the time it takes from initial dispatch to fire personnel actually responding to the incident. Travel time is the actual time it takes to get to the incident after the assigned unit begins responding. The average total response time is the sum of these two quantities.

NFPA 1710 identifies that career fire departments should achieve an average total response time of 5:00 or less, 90% of the time for emergency medical responses (EMS) and 5:20 for fire responses.

Average Response Times for 2020

EMS Responses: 4 Minutes and 38 Seconds

Fire Responses: **5** Minutes and **44** Seconds

Average Response Times for 2021

EMS Responses: 4 Minutes and 32 Seconds

Fire Responses: 4 Minutes and 51 Seconds

Fire Suppression



In 2020, the SPFD responded to 399 fire incidents, with 309 of those occurring within the City. In 2021, SPFD responded to 376 fire incidents and 271 of those incidents occurred within the City.

The most common type of fire response for both 2020 and 2021 (other than a General fire alarm) was smoke in a

residential structure. The leading causes for residential fires are cooking, heating, electrical distribution, lighting equipment, intentional fire setting and smoking. The Nation Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) estimates that 27% of all fires in the U.S. occur in the home. Additionally, 80% of deaths and 73% of injuries related to fires were caused by residential structure fires.

SPFD engages in daily training to ensure they are prepared to protect the community in the event of a fire. Training includes rescue, fire suppression tactics for both structure fires as well as wildland fires, and multi-company training with neighboring agencies.

6 Most Common Types of Fires

- Fire Alarm *General* 37%
- Smoke in a Structure 6%
- Carbon Monoxide Alarm 6%
- Electrical Pole Fire 5%
- Fire Now Out 4%
- Vegetation Fire 2%



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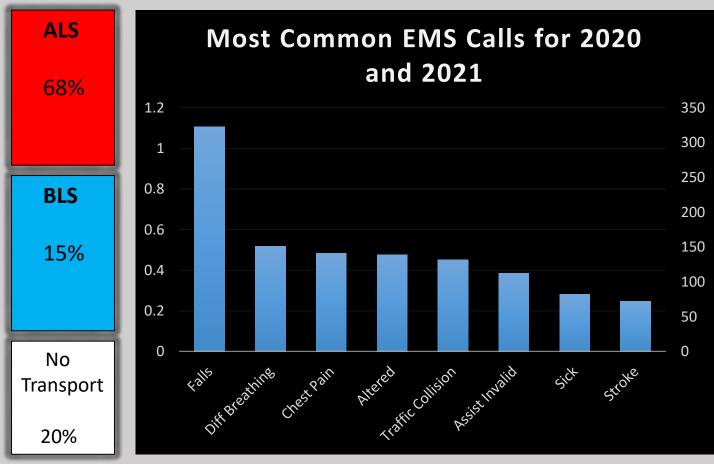
Emergency Medical Services

All South Pasadena Firefighters are certified Paramedics with the state of California and accredited with the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services (LA DHS). SPFD provides both Basic Life Support (BLS) as well as Advanced Life Support (ALS) services to the community.

SPFD personnel receive monthly continuing education training from a certified prehospital nurse educator from UCLA. In addition to providing training, the nurse educator also reviews EMS patient records for accuracy to ensure compliance with LA DHS.

On average, EMS calls for service make up approximately 77% of the total responses. In 2020, SPFD responded to 1683 EMS Calls and 1838 calls in 2021.

Of all the EMS calls in both 2020 and 2021, 68% of them were transported to areas hospitals as ALS and 15% were transported as BLS.



Cardiac Emergencies

The term "Heart Attack" is often mistakenly used to describe cardiac arrest. While a heart attack may cause cardiac arrest, the two are not the same. Heart attacks are caused by a blockage that interrupts blood flow to the heart. It is a circulation problem which is extremely serious and sometimes fatal.

By contrast, cardiac arrest is caused when the heart's electrical system malfunctions and the heart's pumping action is "arrested", or stopped.

Cardiac arrest is one of the leading causes of death in the United States with a fatality rate of 70% - 90%. More than 356,000 cardiac arrests occur outside the hospital in the U.S. each year. To effectively treat both these cardiac emergencies, SPFD is trained and equipped with state of art medical equipment. Primarily, the Zoll Cardiac Monitor and



The Zoll Auto Pulse Automatic CPR Device. Both were purchase with grant funds received in 2020. The cardiac monitor is equipped with proprietary software called "see through CPR" which allows paramedics to continually observe the underlying heart rhythm even



while chest compressions are being delivered. The automatic CPR device ensures adequate chest compressions are being delivered throughout treatment and transport to the hospital.

For the past 5 years, SPFD has been recognized by LA DHS with the "Gold Standard" Award. This recognition is the highest standard for EMS teams who consistently recognize, properly treat and transport to the proper receiving hospitals, patients experiencing very serious cardiac emergencies.

California Master Mutual Aid



The past two years have been the worst brush fire seasons on record, destroying thousands of structures and taking human lives. It serves a grave reminder that no municipality has sufficient resources to handle all types and severities of major emergencies on its own. Fortunately, systems are in place at the state, region, county and local levels to provide assistance in the form of equipment and trained personnel when such major disasters occur.

At the state level, the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) coordinates disaster preparedness,

response, recovery and mitigation activities. California's 58 counties all participate in the Master Mutual Aid Agreement and are grouped into six mutual aid regions. Each mutual aid region is comprised of several operational areas, which may include a number of local jurisdictions. Region I covers five counties in Southern California, including Los Angeles County, which is further subdivided into Areas A, B, C, E, F and G. Area C covers approximately 126 square miles of Los Angeles County and includes the cities of Alhambra, Arcadia, Burbank, Glendale, Monrovia, Monterey Park,

Pasadena, San Gabriel, Sierra Madre and South Pasadena.

In 2020/21, SPFD provided resources on 11 major brush fires throughout the state. Personnel assigned to these deployments traveled thousands of miles and logged hundreds of hours on the fire line. As part of the Master Mutual Aid Agreement the City receives 100% reimbursement for the cost associated with these deployments to out of area responses.



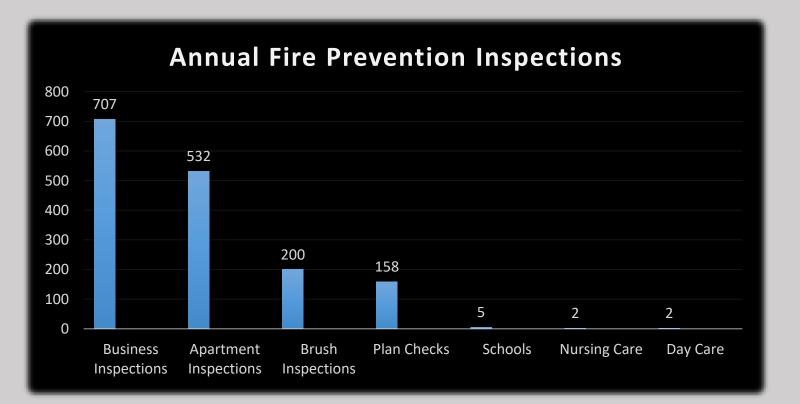
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Fire Prevention

The goal of fire prevention is to mitigate the risk of injury and reduce property damage by providing inspection and educational services to business owners and residents in South Pasadena. These inspections help ensure that they comply with local, state, and national fire codes.

On an annual basis, South Pasadena Firefighters conduct approximately 1,606 inspections. These inspections include, 707 businesses, 532 apartments, 158 plan checks, 5 schools, 2 nursing care facilities, 2 large residential day care centers, and 200 brush inspections (for homes located in the high fire hazard severity zone).

In addition to providing fire inspection services, SPFD also provides fire educational services to local schools, churches and civic groups.



Arson Investigation

In November of 2019, the SPFD applied for a scholarship with State Farm Insurance for an accelerant detection canine. In January 2020, the department received conformation that we had been selected to participate in the program. Due to the pandemic, the training and introduction of our canine was delayed for a year.

In February 2021, Arson Investigator John Papadakis was flown back to Maine for introduction and a month long training session with our newest member "Delta". Delta is a black Labrador specially trained to detect various accelerants and flammable liquids. She is assigned full-time to Investigator Papadakis.

The State Farm Arson Dog Scholarship Program started in 1993 and to date they have awarded over 350 canines to law enforcement and fire agencies throughout the U.S. State Farm underwrites the program due to the problem of arson in our society. Each year, billions of dollars worth of property and hundreds of lives are lost as a result of fires

set by arsonist. The State Farm scholarship program includes all training fees, acquisition of the dog and lodging during the 5 weeks of training.

Investigator Papadakis represents SPFD as part of the Verdugo Fire Investigation Taskforce (VFITF). SPFD has been a participating member in the VFITF for over 20 years. VFITF is a partnerships of over 15 agencies throughout L.A. County. Currently, Delta is the only arson canine in the VFITF.

Delta's first year of service has been very productive. She has been called out to investigate approximately 20 fires. Of those call-outs, she has confirmed the use of flammable liquids on 10 fires and has been A valuable resource in determining arson.

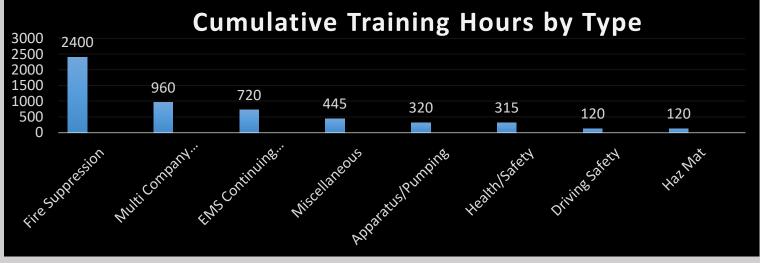


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Training

The Mission of the Fire Department is to provide the highest level of service to the community. In order to achieve this high standard South Pasadena Firefighters commit to a minimum of two hours a day of training. The annual training schedule is established in accordance with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and Insurance Service Office (ISO). South Pasadena Firefighters completed an average cumulative total of 5400 hours of training annually, including fire suppression, EMS continuing education, hazardous materials, rescue, vehicle extrication and driver's training.





Emergency Management

In 2019, the City remodeled the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) which is located in the downstairs of the fire station, 817 Mound Ave. The renovation cost approximately \$300,000 and brought the EOC up to industry standards.



The EOC is the focal point for coordination of the city's emergency planning, training, response and recovery efforts. EOC processes follow the national all-hazards approach to major disasters such as fires, floods, earthquakes, acts of terrorism and large-scale events in the City that require involvement by multiple city departments.

For the past 4 years, the Fire Department has been the lead department in coordinating EOC functionality and currently, Fire Division Chief Eric Zanteson serves as the Emergency Manager for the City. The role of Emergency Manager rotates between the Police and Fire Department.

In addition to the functions of the EOC, the city also maintains an Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) as well as a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP). Both these documents assist city personnel and residents in identifying risks that are specific to the community. They also outline policies and actions to respond to, mitigate and recover from disasters.

Community



South Pasadena Fire Fighters are proud to be part of the South Pasadena community. The department recognizes that we would not be able to provide the high level of service without the support and collaboration from our community.

In addition to hosting several events annually, the South Pasadena Fire Fighters also

attend various community events throughout the year such as, birthday celebrations, little league, station tours, school events and city sanctioned functions.

The Pandemic has definitely added challenges to our ability to safely interact with the community in person. For the past two years we had to modify or postpone many of our hosted events. We have engaged virtually with the community as much as possible but we look forward to getting back to as many in-person events

soon as possible.

SPFD Hosted Events

CERT Classes Dinner at the Fire Station Pancake Breakfast (with Kiwanis) Spark of Love Toy Drive Read Across America Station Tours Sidewalk CPR Classes Junior Fire Safety Program



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Accomplishments and Goals

Accomplishments

- * Maintained Response Times Below National Standards
- * Awarded an Accelerant Detection Canine "Delta"
- * Response to 11 Major Brush Fires Throughout the State
- * Recognized by LA County Department of Health Services with the Gold Standard Award ~ High Level of EMS Care for Patients with Life Threatening Cardiac Emergency
- * Award of Measure B Grant Funds for Cardiac Monitor an Automatic CPR Device

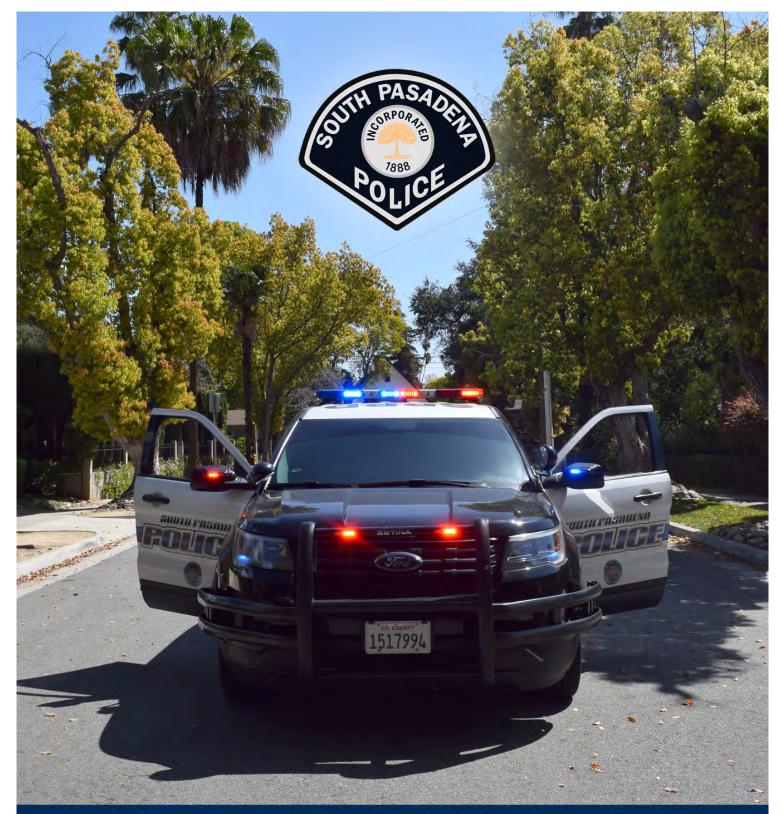
Goals

- * Update City Emergency Operations Plan
- * Update City Local Hazard Mitigation Plan
- * Complete an After Action Review in Response to Pandemic
- * Attract and Retain Quality Employees ~ Support Department Succession Plan



ATTACHMENT B

2020/2021 Police Department Biennial Report



South Pasadena Police Department 2020 - 2021 BIENNIAL REPORT



South Pasadena City Council



Evelyn Zneimer Councilmember District 1



Jack Donovan Councilmember District 2



Jon Primuth Mayor Pro Tem **District 3**

SOUTH PASADENA ROTARY SOUTHPASADENAROTARY OR



Michael Cacciotti Mayor **District 4**



Diana Mahmud Councilmember **District 5**





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South Pasadena Police 2020 - 2021 Biennial Report

About South Pasadena

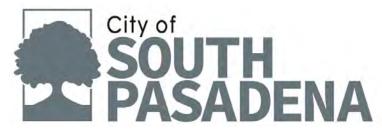
In 1888, the City of South Pasadena was the seventh city in Los Angeles County to be incorporated into the county. South Pasadena is one of the oldest cities in the Los Angeles area.

Often called the "City of Trees" because of its many oak tree lined streets, South Pasadena is located on the west side of the San Gabriel Valley and is approximately 3.44 square miles. The City has a diverse population of about 26,000 residents.

For over 132 years, South Pasadena continues to be a desirable city to live in. Its unique small town atmosphere with elegant craftsman style homes, distinguished schools and small "mom and pop" operated businesses make South Pasadena like no other. In 2014, Sunset Magazine readers voted South Pasadena as one of the best suburbs to live in the West.

Adding to its historical attachments and individuality, South Pasadena is one of the oldest cities to continue to build its own float for the annual Rose Parade.

Its distinct community of homes and businesses easily resemble various cities across the United States and are often used as filming locations. Movies such as "Back to the Future", "Little Giants", "Terminator", "Jurassic Park", "Flags of Our Father", "Pee Wee's Big Adventure", "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" and "Halloween" were filmed in South Pasadena.





Chief's Message



Brian Solinsky Chief of Police



After 28 years of service with the City of South Pasadena, I am truly honored and humbled to serve as the Chief of Police. It is my distinct pleasure to share with you the 2020 - 2021 Police Department Biennial Report.

It is of the utmost importance for public service entities to be accountable to the communities they serve. This report provides detailed information regarding the work accomplished by the various units within the Department. Its purpose is to illustrate and highlight the achievements, effectiveness, and efficiency in delivering our services. This report serves as a historical document helping to chart the path forward by documenting our past as we continuously move forward towards a better future. It is a valuable tool to highlight our progress and promote the mission and vision of the Police Department.

The South Pasadena Police Department's mission is to deliver public safety services to our community with the utmost professionalism and integrity. Our vision is to be a community leader by providing exceptional policing services that embody the spirit of community partnerships through responsiveness, accessibility, and transparency in resolving community concerns.

The year brought us many challenges and opportunities as an organization. There is a great deal of learning, change, and innovation occurring throughout the Department. I am excited to see the positive impacts which will take place in the years to come.

Throughout the varied and intense demands, I also want to recognize the hard-working men and women of the Police Department for their unwavering dedication and loyalty to South Pasadena.

To our community, "thank you" for taking the time to become informed and for reading this compelling report on your Police Department.

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SOUTH PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the South Pasadena Police Department is to provide our community with the safest possible environment using interactive crime prevention methods, public education programs, and the equitable and professional application of the law.

CORE VALUES

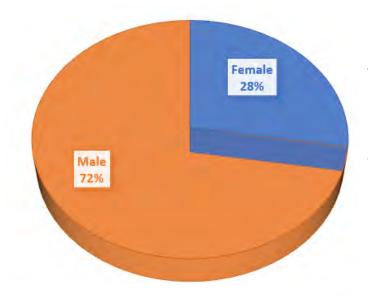
Integrity - Police Officers are entrusted with lives and property. They are exposed to situations where, if lacking a high level of integrity, they can take advantage of that trust. The community must have confidence that their officers have the highest level of ethics and morals. Personal integrity is fundamental in the prevention of corruption. Police Officers have a solemn obligation to be honest and trustworthy, accurately document probable cause and the circumstances of an arrest in reports and during courtroom testimony, report ethical violations when committed by others, and serve as role model for the public.

Quality of Service - The residents and business owners of South Pasadena have high expectations of the quality of service provided by the South Pasadena Police Department. Historically, the Department has provided an exemplary level of service. When handling any type of call for service, criminal or traffic investigation, officers should always provide a level of service they would want their family to receive. They should be guided by what is the right thing to do to solve the problem that resulted in their response.

Respect for People - Police officers must treat all people with as much respect and dignity as the situation allows. Even in a confrontational, adversarial encounter, officers must remain professional and respectful. Respect towards others breeds respect in return. And, respect towards others must begin between co-workers. If employees are not respectful towards each other, they will not be respectful towards the public. All employees must treat each other with respect and recognize that the diversity each employee brings to the South Pasadena Police Department helps to make the Department able to police the diverse community we serve.

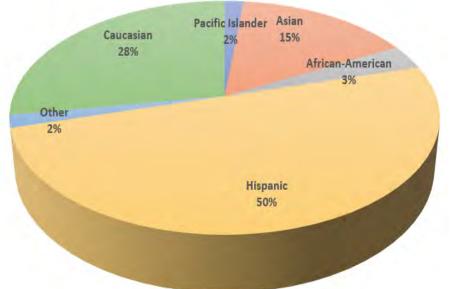
Work Ethic - The employees of the South Pasadena Police Department are government employees and public servants. The South Pasadena Police Department runs a tight ship, and is committed as a team supporting each other to accomplish the goals and objectives of the organization. This requires a firm commitment from each and every employee.

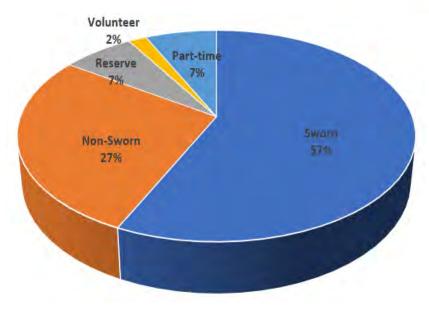
Department Diversity



The make-up of the South Pasadena Police Department is just as exceptionally diverse as the City's population. The Department is composed of both male and female employees from various ethnic backgrounds.

The Police Department's ethnic makeup is incredibly diverse, with approximately 70% of our employees coming from a variety of ethnic backgrounds.





Sworn personnel make up the largest demographic of employees. These individuals are the most visible and consist of patrol officers, traffic officers, and detectives.



LEADERSHIP HISTORY

The following is a list of City Marshals and Police Chiefs that have led the South Pasadena Police Department since established in 1888.

When South Pasadena incorporated in 1888, City Marshals provided law enforcement services to the community. In 1926, state legislation changed the title of City Marshal to Chief of Police

Amman Cobb March 1888 to June 1888 Martin B. Selman June 1888 to February 1889 *E. Peters* February 1889 to April 1894

Isaac Peel April 1894 to October 1895 George Wilson October 1895 to April 1896

M.B. Reid April 1896 to July 1907

William H. Johnston July 1907 to April 1916 Frank Higgins April 1916 to April 1942 Everett Setzer October 1942 to October 1950

Robert Blakely October 1950 to October 1952 Clifton Brown December 1952 to June 1960 Melvin Viney October 1960 to August 1976

Gary Brown August 1976 to May 1977 Samuel Buntyn William Reese
June 1977 to December 1985 December 1985 to December 1990

Thomas Mahoney February 1991 to April 1997 Michael Berkow July 1997 to July 2001 Daniel Watson January 2002 to July 2010

Joseph Payne September 2010 to February 2013 Arthur Miller February 2013 to 2018 Joe Ortiz April 2019 to November 2020

Brian Solinsky May 2021 to Current

South Pasadena, circa 1890

South Pasadena Police Department COMMAND STAFF





Tony Abdalla Detective Sergeant



Robert Bartl Patrol Sergeant



Jim Valencia Patrol Sergeant



Matt Ronnie Patrol Sergeant

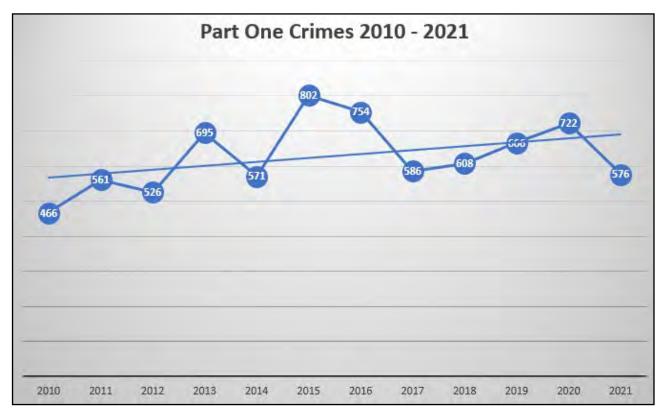


Spencer Louie Patrol Sergeant

2020 - 2021 Crime Statistics

PART ONE CRIMES			
Crime	2020	2021	2020-2021 % Change
Homicide	1	0	-100%
Rape	4	2	-50%
Robbery	17	10	-41%
Assault	66	63	-5%
Burglary	-	-	-
Residential	44	42	-4.5%
Commercial	65	43	-33.8%
Larceny-Theft	429	349	-19%
Stolen Vehicles	92	65	-29%
Arson	4	2	-50%
Total	722	576	-20.2%

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2020	2021	2020-2021 % Change
17%	10%	-41%



2020 - 2021 Crime Statistics

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Traffic Collisions	2020	2021	2020-2021 % Change
Injury	67	91	36%
Injury hit and run	2	2	0%
Non-Injury	217	228	5%
Non-Injury hit and run	65	63	-3%
Fatal	1	0	-100%
Total	352	384	9%





CITATIONS			
Citations	2020	2021	2020-2021 % Change
Citations (moving)	1,692	2,556	51%
Parking	4,390	4,687	7%
Others	397	430	8%
Total	6,479	7,673	18%

MOVING CITATIONS					
Type of Violation	2020	2021	2020-2021 % Change		
Cell phone/Texting	507	906	79%		
Speeding	305	408	34%		
Stop Sign Violation	226	510	126%		



2020 - 2021 Crime Statistics

ARRESTS			
Arrests	2020	2021	2020-2021 % Change
Adult	509	397	-22%

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE				
	2020	2021	2020-2021 % Change	
Calls for Service Dispatched	26,858	27,339	2%	
Total Calls for Service	55,017	54,312	-1%	

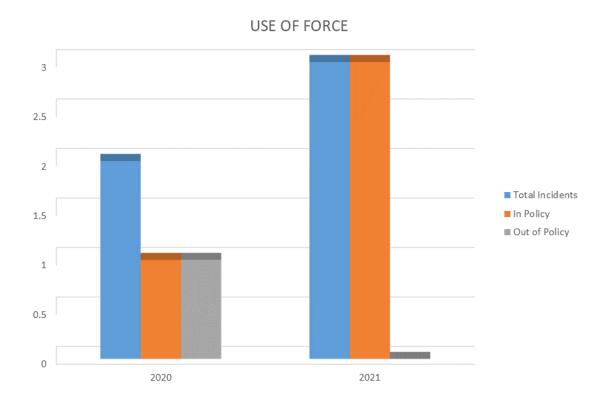
TOTAL 9-1-1 CALLS			
	2020	2021	2020-2021 % Change
9-1-1 Calls	6,168	5,909	-4%



Use of Force

Use of Force Reporting & Analysis

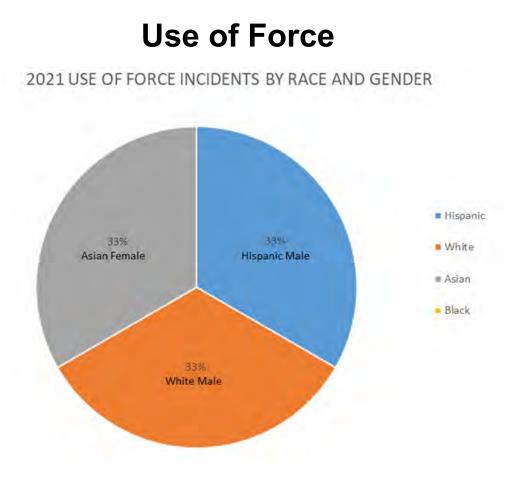
The following is a comparison of use of force (UOF) incidents for the past two calendar years. Total UOF comparing 2020 to 2021:



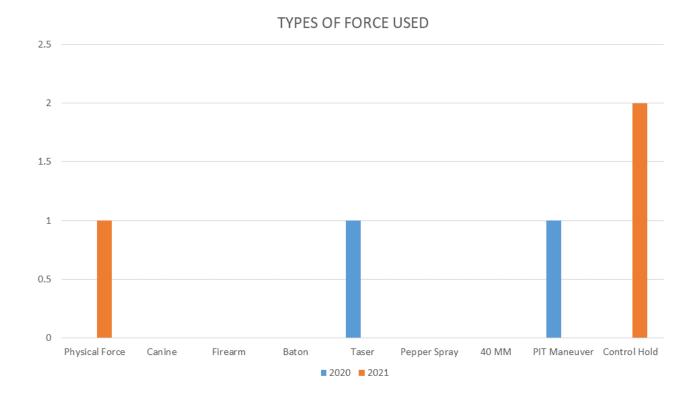
USE OF FORCE	2020	2021
Total Incidents	2	3

Date	Time	Type of Call	Type of Force Used	Race	Age	Gender
5-2-20	0121 hrs.	Traffic Stop	Pursuit Intervention	Hispanic	23	Male
6-9-20	2038 hrs.	Disturbance	Taser	White	28	Male
1/29/21	0946 hrs.	Suspicious Person	Physical Force	Hispanic	37	Male
7/18/21	2216 hrs.	Domestic Violence	Control Hold	White	69	Male
10/28/21	2023 hrs.	Home Invasion Robbery	Control Hold	Asian	34	Female





2021 Use of Force Incidents by Race and Gender



Use of Force

2020 - 2021

Physical Force/Canine/Firearm/Baton/Taser/Pepper Spray/40 MM/ PIT Maneuver/Control Hold/Use of Force by Vehicle

Type of Force Used	2020	2021
Physical Force	0	1
Canine	0	0
Firearm	0	0
Baton	0	0
Taser	1	0
Pepper Spray	0	0
40 mm	0	0
PIT Maneuver	1	0
Control Hold	0	2

Use of Force Trends

In 2021 the South Pasadena Police Department had three incidents involving the use of force. The use of force data does reveal a pattern or a trend of subjects physically resisting. All three incidents were justified and determined to be within policy. South Pasadena police officers continue to exercise restraint when dealing with combative subjects, and the Department continually emphasizes the importance of de-escalation techniques.

Use of Force Training Points

1. Officers were dispatched to look for a suspicious person where the suspect was seen pulling on car handles to parked vehicles. The first officer on-scene located the suspect and instructed him to stop. The suspect ignored the officer's commands and quickly walked away. The officer, believing a crime had been committed, grabbed the suspect's arm to detain him. The suspect attempted to pull away and raised his hand towards the officer. Believing he would be punched, the officer performed a leg sweep, kicking the suspect's front leg out from under him, causing the offender to lose balance. After falling, the suspect stood back up and held onto a telephone pole to prevent the officer from taking him into custody. Two additional officers arrived moments later to assist. After a brief struggle, the officers were able to handcuff the suspect and take him into custody. As a training point, it was recommended officers wait for additional backup and resources before confronting and detaining an uncooperative suspect.

Use of Force

- 2. Officers were dispatched to a report of domestic violence. The first arriving officer observed an open front door into the residence. The officer could clearly see the arguing couple standing inside the home. One spouse instructed the officer not to come inside without a warrant, while the other spouse told the officer to enter and arrest the aggressor. The officer entered and placed his hand around the suspect's arm to direct him outside. Two additional officers arrived and assisted in getting the suspect, who was agitated and resisting, outside. The suspect hit his forehead against the doorframe during the struggle, causing a small laceration. Paramedics arrived on the scene and treated the suspect for his injury. As a training point, it was recommended officers wait for sufficient backup before physically making contact with a subject. A safer alternative would have been to have the cooperative spouse exit the residence and wait for more officers to assist with the uncooperative subject.
- 3. Officers were dispatched to a neighboring city to assist with a violent in-progress robbery. When the first South Pasadena officer arrived on the scene, he was assigned to watch the front door and directed to detain anyone who came out from the residence. As the officer took his position, he observed a subject exit the front door in a rapid manner. The officer immediately radioed for backup and gave verbal commands for the suspect to surrender by lying on the ground. As additional officers arrived, the officer grabbed the suspect's arm. At this point, the suspect attempted to break free and run back inside the residence. The additional officers assisted and prevented the suspect from fleeing. The officer took the necessary steps to take the subject into custody by having the assistance of another officer and using the least amount of force necessary to detain the subject.

2020 (59,020 Calls for Service)

T-Stop/Failure to yield / Use of force by vehicle Subject causing a Disturbance / Taser

2021 (54,312 Calls of Service)

Suspicious Person / Physical force Domestic Violence / Control hold Home Invasion Robbery-Outside Agency Assist/ Control hold

Bias-Based Policing

The South Pasadena Police Department (SPPD) conducts an annual review of its commitment to policing, ensuring that is fair and objective. This report includes public concerns and complaints delivered to the Chief of Police. This report will assist to identify any changes in training or operations that should be made to improve service.

- Penal Code 13519.6
 - In March of 2021, all officers, dispatchers, and parking control officers attended and completed the Museum of Tolerance's Hate Crimes Courses for California agencies. Utilizing real-life scenarios, participants discussed the unique dynamics of hate crimes. Participants identified common dynamics of hate crime victims and strategies for conducting effective interviews. The participants also learned about the origins of hate and an overview of various hate groups. They discussed investigative techniques, evidence collection, report writing and documentation, and the impact of hate crimes on the community.
 - ^o Changes to training or operations: N/A
- Roll Call Training & Training Monitors
 - Each Police Department shift reviewed and discussed the Department's Bias-Based Policing Police 401.
 - In April 2021, training monitors were installed in common area of the Department. These monitors display a variety of Department policy and procedures that include Bias-Based Policing 401.
 - ^o Changes to training or operations: In December 2021, The Department's Bias-Based Policing Policy was updated to include section 401.4.2:

401.4.2 REPORTING OF STOPS

Unless an exception applies under 11 CCR 999.227, an officer conducting a stop of a person shall collect the data elements required by 11 CCR 999.226 for every person stopped and prepare a stop data report. When multiple officers conduct a stop, the officer with the highest level of engagement with the person shall collect the data elements and prepare the report (11 CCR 999.227).

If multiple agencies are involved in a stop and the South Pasadena Police Department is the primary agency, the South Pasadena Police Department officer shall collect the data elements and prepare the stop data report (11 CCR 999.227).

The stop data report should be completed by the end of the officer's shift or as soon as practicable (11 CCR 999.227).

• South Pasadena Police Department Hate Crime Policy:

° 319.5 TRAINING

All members of this Department will receive POST-approved training on hate crime recognition and investigation as provided by Penal Code § 13519.6. Training should include (Penal Code § 422.87):

a). Recognition of bias motivators such as ranges of attitudes and perceptions toward a specific characteristic or group, including disability and gender biases.

Bias-Based Policing

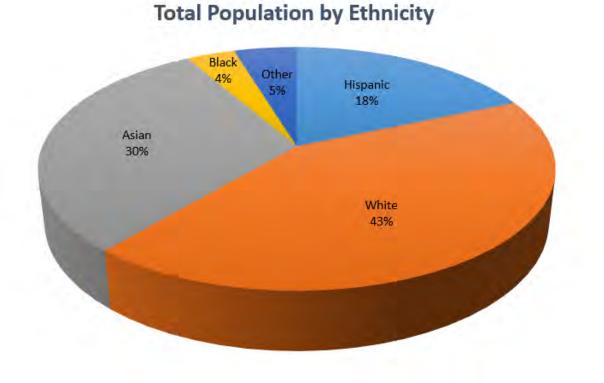
- b). Accurate reporting by officers, including information on the general underreporting of hate crimes.
- c). Distribution of hate crime brochures: hate crime report checklist and victim of hate crime brochures were made available for officers.
- AB 953 RIPA Stop Data
 - In order to comply with the Racial and Identity Profiling Act (RIPA), also known as Assembly Bill 953, the department began collecting stop data on January 1st, 2022.
 - ^o The State mandated data collection program requires the collection of certain stop data related to detentions, searches, and complaints. The department is required to submit its first report on April 23rd, 2023, and annually thereafter.
 - ^o Information recorded includes:
 - ^o Stop information: Date, time, duration, location, reason, call for service or selfinitiated, actions taken, contraband or property seized, result.
 - ^o Perception: Perceived race/ethnicity, age, gender, LGBT, English fluency, disability.
 - ^o Officer: years of experience and type of assignment
 - ^o The purpose of RIPA is to analyze data related to stops/complaints of racial/identity profiling. With the data collected the Department of Justice (DOJ) will work with Law Enforcement agencies to review racial/identity profiling practices and policies. Data collected will be posted and available to the public on the DOJ website annually with stats and recommendations. Officers' unique identifying numbers will not be published.
 - ^o Members shall enter all stop data into the Stop Data Collection System (SDCS) prior to end of their shift, unless exigent circumstances prevent entry, in which case officers shall enter data by the end of their next shift.
 - RIPA information cards will be issued to all officers for gathering necessary information on stops. The cards will be given to the Records Department for data entry. Officers will be required to enter their own stops when the vehicles are outfitted with Mobile Data Computers (MDCs) early next year. Members will then access the SDCS web portal via the icon located on station computers and vehicle MDCs.
 - If the SDCS system becomes inaccessible, personnel shall utilize the linked form to retain stop data for entry upon restoration of the SDCS system. The "Stop Data Collection Form" is authorized for destruction upon successful data upload into SDCS.
- Police Reform
 - In 2020, policies were reviewed and revised concerning carotid restraint and the use of force based on community input of "8 can't wait."

No additional changes since 2020

- Complaints
 - ^o The department did not receive any written or verbal Bias based Policing complaints in 2021.

Bias-Based Policing

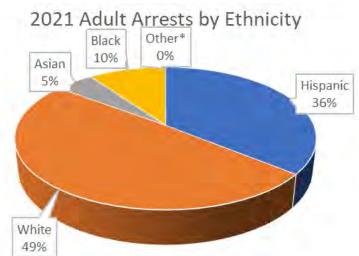
The following charts and graphs depict the overall population of South Pasadena and the adult and juvenile arrest statistical data for the 2021 calendar year by ethnicity. The data was prepared using population information from the American Community Survey from the U.S. Census Bureau dated July 1, 2021.



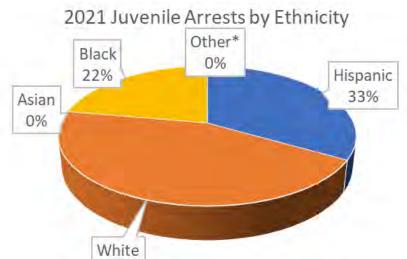
Ethnicity/Race	Number	Population
Hispanic	4,984	18.50%
White	14,953	42.70%
Asian	8,217	30.50%
Black	969	3.60%
Other	1,266	4.7%
Total	26,943	100%

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Bias-Based Policing



Ethnicity/Race	Arrests	Percentage of Arrests	Population
Hispanic	233	35.9%	18.5%
White	321	49.4%	42.7%
Asian	32	4.9%	30.5%
Black	64	9.9%	3.6%
Other*	0	0%	4.7%
Total	650	100%	95.3%



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Ethnicity/Race	Arrests	Percentage of Arrests	Population
Hispanic	3	33.3%	18.5%
White	4	44.4%	42.7%
Asian	0	0%	30.5%
Black	2	22.2%	3.6%
Other*	0	0%	4.7%
Total	9	100%	95.3%

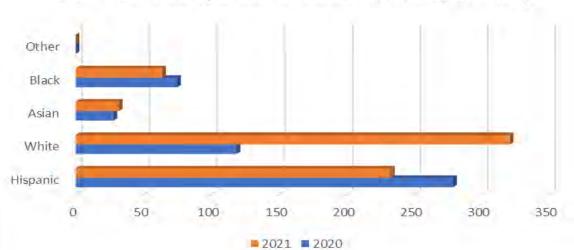
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* Our computer system does not include Native Americans and two or more races in our demographics.

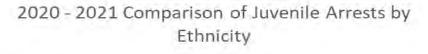
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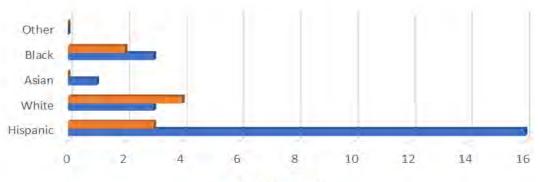
Bias-Based Policing

2020 - 2021 Comparison of Adult Arrests by Ethnicity



2021 2020 Race **Population** Increase/Decrease % Change Arrests Arrests Hispanic 18.5% 279 233 46 -16.5% White 42.7% 321 202 169.7% 119 Asian 30.50% 28 32 4 14.3% 3.60% 75 Black 64 11 -14.7% Other 4.7% 0 0 0 0% 100% 501 Total 650 149 29.7%



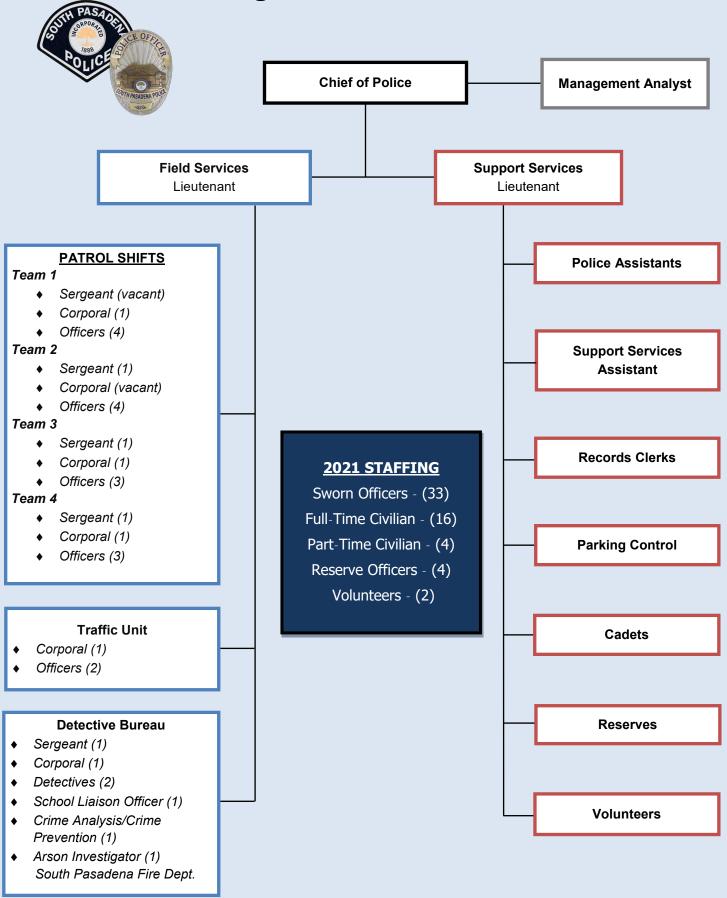




Race	Population	2020 Arrests	2021 Arrests	Increase/Decrease	% Change
Hispanic	18.5%	16	3	13	-81.3%
White	42.7%	3	4	1	33.3%
Asian	30.50%	1	0	1	-100%
Black	3.60%	3	2	1	-33.3%
Other	4.7%	0	0	0	0
Total	100%	23	9	14	-60.9%

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Organizational Chart



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New Employees



Ederson Gramajo Police Officer 2020



Christina Roppo Police Officer 2020



Nick Godoy Police Recruit 2021



Nelly Ochoa Records Clerk 2021



Alison Wehrle Management Analyst 2021

Retirements



Esther Delinko Administrative Secretary 40 years



Peggy Grangetto Support Services Assistant 35 years



Jim Valencia Sergeant 30 years



Dan Bricker Chaplain 19 Years

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Promotions

Andy Dubois Corporal





Gilbert Carrillo Corporal

New Assignments



Craig Phillips Detective Corporal



Mike Sanchez Motor Officer



Tyler Borrello Detective/School Liaison Officer



Christina Roppo Traffic Officer

Resigned



Katie Ruvalcaba Police Cadet 24



Ryan Hang Detective



Jeanette Zavala Support Services Assistant

Department Overview

The South Pasadena Police Department is comprised of 33 sworn officers, 16 non-sworn employees, four part-time employees, two volunteers, and four reserve officers that provide law enforcement services to the City's residents and businesses 24-hours a day, 365 days a year.

The Department is divided into two divisions: Field Services and Support Services, with a Lieutenant supervising each division.



School Crossing Guards and Animal Control Services are contracted to outside companies. A Los Angeles County Mental Health Clinician is embedded within the Department to provide aid on mental health related-calls. This program is called the West San Gabriel Valley Mental Health Evaluation Team and includes partnership with the cities of Arcadia, Irwindale, and Monrovia.

The Police Department participates in a "Mutual-Aid" program with neighboring agencies. "Mutual -Aid" is a shared resource of both police and fire services between different cities within the San Gabriel Valley. Officers and firefighters can respond to assist neighboring cities in case of emergencies.



The Police Department operates on a community-based policing philosophy. Through a combination of efforts between the police, residents, and businesses, we assist one another to ultimately reduce crime. This philosophy allows officers to be part of and interact with the community.

With residents working and staying at home, the usual commuter traffic congestion was non-existent through the city. Overnight parking was exempted to help residents during the first three months of the Safer-at-Home order. During these first three months, citations were at an all time

low. In April, only one citation and 66 parking citations were issued.

Detectives filed cases electronically with the district attorney's office to promote safe social distancing at court, and arraignments were done remotely.

To help residents who were staying at home, overnight parking restrictions were temporarily suspended. Residents and local organizations supported their police and fire departments by donating much needed Personal Protection Equipment (i.e., face masks and nitrile gloves). With strict safety restrictions in place, the Police Department continued to provide safety and service to the community of South Pasadena.



Department Overview

To ensure the safety of community members, the South Pasadena Police Department along with other San Gabriel Valley agencies assisted with security at Cal State Los Angeles' COVID-19 vaccination site.

The Police Department worked closely with the City Council and the Public Safety Commission in areas of mutual benefit to address the current public and social issues facing cities nationwide.



Although, during 2020 many city events were cancelled, while others were switched to virtual format. In 2021, as COVID-19

restrictions lifted, city events were slowly brought back and was met with great support from the community.



One of the most successful event held in 2021 was our first "Catalytic Converter Etching Program". To help combat the rise of catalytic converter thefts, the Police Department partnered with Larry's Union Service to engrave vehicle license plate numbers onto the catalytic converter for free. The event was so successful that all reservations were filled within four hours.

A cherished experience, serving holiday lunches to the senior community was also continued in 2021. The South

Pasadena Police Officers' Association helped fund the event, showing their commitment to the community.

To help show support to the commercial district, Chief Solinsky and officers visited several local businesses to talk about issues specific to this portion of the community.





Lifesaving Incidents

Officers are often the first on scene when 9-1-1 is called. Officers must use their training to assess the situation and render the appropriate aid quickly. In 2021, there were several incidents where officers used their skills and training to save a person's life.

INCIDENT DATE: MAY 6, 2021

Detectives Tyler Borrello and Ryan Hang were conducting surveillance on a sexual assault suspect in Los Angeles. While watching, Detective Borrello's attention was drawn to an unrelated vehicle parked nearby. The vehicle was occupied by a male and female, who were talking with another male that was standing outside. As he watched, Detective Borrello witnessed the male outside the vehicle lunge into the car and begin assaulting the female, striking and stabbing her repeatedly with a screwdriver. Without hesitation, Detective Borrello ran to aid the victim and intervene. As he got closer to the car, Detective Borrello saw the male suspect lying on top of the victim, continuing to stab her. Detective Borrello immediately advanced on the attacker and was able to take him into custody. During this life-threatening situation, Detective Borrello was able to take charge and stop an attack without the use of deadly force. The female victim suffered multiple stab wounds on her face, head, and body, ultimately recovering from her injuries. The original sexual assault suspect the detectives were initially investigating came outside to observe the commotion and was also arrested without incident.

INCIDENT DATE: JUNE 15, 2021

On June 15, 2021, Officers Pech and Calderon responded to the Gold Line platform regarding a male passenger that had ingested fentanyl and suffered a cardiac emergency. Upon arrival, officers saw a witness performing CPR on the unresponsive male. Officers immediately took over medical aid, administering a dose of Narcan to counter the effects of fentanyl. Officers monitored the male's vital signs and provided additional first aid until paramedics arrived. By the time fire personnel arrived, the male had begun to breathe on his own and regain consciousness.

INCIDENT DATE: JUNE 28, 2021

On June 28, 2021, Officers Pech and Calderon responded to a 9-1-1 call of an unconscious female that had difficulty breathing inside a residence. Officers arrived within a minute and found the unconscious female lying on the kitchen floor. The officers learned the unconscious female had ingested Oxycodone that was possibly laced with fentanyl. The officers immediately administered a dose of Narcan to counter the effects of the fentanyl while monitoring the female's vital signs and providing additional first aid. Within a short time, the female regained consciousness and was able to walk to the ambulance.

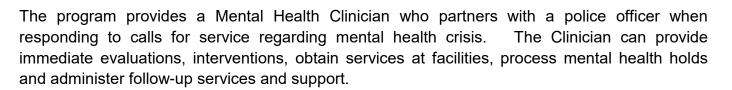
INCIDENT DATE: AUGUST 9, 2021

On August 9, 2021, Officer Burgos responded to an unconscious male that had ingested an opiate. Upon arrival, Officer Burgos saw the unconscious male lying on the floor and was displaying cyanosis from a lack of oxygen. Officer Burgos immediately administered two doses of Narcan. South Pasadena Fire Department arrived shortly after to take over life-saving measures. Before reaching the ambulance, the male regained consciousness and was talking with rescuers.

Community Outreach Programs

West San Gabriel Mental Health Evaluation Team

The South Pasadena, Arcadia, Irwindale, and Monrovia Police Departments partnered with the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health and formed a mobile Mental Health Evaluation Team.



Homeless Outreach

The "Homeless Outreach Program" (HOPE) was developed inhouse to address the City's unhoused population. The HOPE program works with the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health, Pasadena Union Station, Los Angeles Homeless Authority, faith-based groups, the Shower of Hope, and grassroots organizations to help the unhoused with needed resources as well as COVID-19 supplies (mask, hand sanitizer).

Many private organizations contribute to the HOPE program by donating clothing to help the unhoused. The South Pasadena Police Officers' Association provides a monetary donation to the Holy Family Giving Bank that provides food to needy families and the unhoused. Holy Family Catholic Church provides food and cosponsors the "Shower of Hope," which offers free showers for the unhoused. The group "You Are Essential" donated care packages that contained hygiene kits. The donated items are distributed to the unhoused by police officers. The HOPE program is staffed by department personnel as a collateral duty.

Success Story

The HOPE team contacted two unhoused individuals living on the streets. Upon learning the woman was eight months pregnant and needed prenatal care, officers and Union Station of Pasadena provided resources for medical attention and housing.







Community Outreach Programs

The new family of 3 (Mom, Dad, and Baby) later returned to the police station to thank the officers and show their support in ending the cycle of homelessness. The family has since regained their footing with permanent housing and the father has obtained employment. The mother has been working with the Foothill Workforce Development Board to obtain valuable skills for employment.

The Department continued its participation with the "Homeless Outreach Services Team" (HOST). This is a regional program partners with South Pasadena partnering with San Gabriel, San Marino, Alhambra, and Monterey Park Police Departments to form a coalition of officers that patrol each participating city to assist the unhoused. HOST is funded by Los Angeles County's Measure H initiative, which provides resources, care packages, and assistance to the homeless population.

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, officers have distributed face masks to the homeless and worked with the Pasadena Union Station and the Los Angeles Homeless Authority to assist the homeless in finding temporary housing with "Project Room Key".

Chief Solinsky, Lieutenant Robledo, Management Analyst Wehrle and Mayor Cacciotti helped provide Thanksgiving meals to families in need. The Pasadena Union Station Homeless Services hosted the event.









Community Programs

Community programs are an excellent way to engage with residents and businesses. Each program was developed for a specific need within the community. Many of our successful programs, such as the Woman's Self-Defense Class and the Teen and Citizen's Academy, were cancelled in light of the pandemic due to the safety precautions for staff and community members but will return when it's safe considering health and safety protocols. Other programs were offered in a modified setting to comply with health regulations.



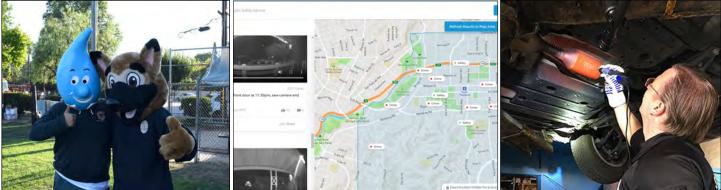
Project Lifesaver



Spark of Love Toy Drive



Operation Chill



"Justice" Mascot



Catalytic Converter Etching Event



Prescription Drug Take Back



National Night Out



Secure the Call

Anticipating Returning Community Programs

We eagerly await the opportunity to invite the community back to participate in a number of our successful community programs once it is safe to do so in light of the pandemic.



Community Visits



Coffee with a Cop



Farmer's Market



Fourth of July Parade Walk



Woman's Self-Defense



Special Olympics Torch Run



Community Presentations



In person Neighborhood Watch Meetings



Citizen's Academy

Community Involvement

Each year, the South Pasadena Police Officers' Association (SPPOA), which represents fulltime employees, participates in community and charitable events to show their support the City or special causes. As with many of the community programs, the COVID-19 pandemic forced the cancellation of several events.



Pink Patch Project



High School Scholarship



Serving Holiday Lunch to Seniors



No Shave November



Foothill Air Support Toy Drive



Sherman Block Leadership Institute



California Police Chiefs Executive Leadership Institute



MADD Award



US Police & Fire Games

FIELD SERVICES DIVISION

Lieutenant Shannon Robledo supervises the Field Services Division, which is the most visible part of the Department.

The mission of the Field Services Division is to ensure the safety of residents, businesses, and visitors to the City by responding to calls, proactive policing, and community involvement.

The Field Services Division includes Patrol, Detective Bureau, Traffic Unit, Foothill Air Support Team and the Bicycle/T3 Unit.

Patrol

Patrol is the "core" and largest unit within the South Pasadena Police Department, with a third of the employees assigned to it. A patrol shift consists of a Sergeant, Corporal, 3-4 Police Officers, and 1-2 Police Assistants.

Patrol officers provide many services during their 12-hour shifts, such as responding to calls for service, providing extra patrols, traffic enforcement, and self-initiated proactive policing. Additionally, they attend community events, conduct preliminary investigation of crimes and traffic accidents, write reports, collect evidence, and process and transport arrestees.

With officers continuously patrolling the city, they can respond to a life threatening call more efficiently, usually within a few minutes. Because they are the first to arrive at a life-threatening call, officers must know basic first-aid, trauma wound management, and CPR. In 2021, there were several incidents where officers quick response time and training in the use of Narcan saved a person's life.

At the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, officers were immediately issued Personal Protective Equipment, which included nitrile gloves, glasses, gowns and the mandatory wearing of face masks was implemented.













Detective Bureau

The Detective Bureau conducts follow-up investigations on felony, misdemeanor, and juvenile crimes as well as missing persons cases. The Detective Bureau is also responsible for the School Resource Liaison Officer Program, crime analysis, crime prevention, and arson investigations.

Detectives may assist patrol to supplement staffing during an emergency, conduct surveillance, and serve arrest or search warrants. They also process and manage digital evidence from video and surveillance cameras.

The Detective Bureau is staffed by a sergeant, a corporal, and four detectives. One detective is also assigned collateral duties as the School Liaison Officer, while another has collateral duties as the Crime Analyst and Crime Prevention Officer. An administrative cadet and an Arson Investigator from the Fire Department also supplement the Detective Bureau.

Detectives work closely with the Records Unit to prepare cases for filing with the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. In addition, detectives serve warrants and conduct safety presentations to organizations on identity theft and fraud.

At the onslaught of the COVID-19 pandemic, the District Attorney's Office developed an electronic filing system for criminal cases to enhance health and safety measures in addition to reducing the court backlog. Detectives worked promptly to learn the system and implement the program, increasing the unit's efficiency.

School Liaison Officer



SLO Detective Borrello conducting a virtual meeting with Monterey Hills School Principal Laurie Narro.

Detective Borrello is the School Liaison Officer (SLO). His primary duties include investigating juvenile cases and working as a liaison with the City's schools. He mentors students, attends the School Attendance Review Boards, assemblies, rallies, and schools' sporting events.

The SLO is an important program, fostering a positive relationship between officers, students, and young children. The presence of an officer on school campuses reinforces safety for the students within the City. Moreover the SLO conducts safety presentations to the schools.



With students on distance learning for the majority of 2020, the SLO participated in virtual assemblies with the schools.

Crime Analysis/Crime Prevention

A detective staffs the crime analysis and crime prevention position as a collateral duty in addition to the criminal cases he is responsible for investigating.

Crime Analysis involves the review of crime reports to examine and identify patterns or trends. Identifying specific patterns or trends can help direct patrol officers to problem areas or aid in locating a wanted suspect.

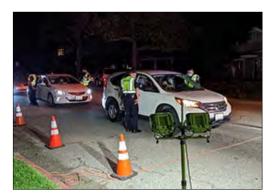
Crime Prevention is a proactive outreach program that works with the community to help educate residents and businesses on how to actively prevent crime. Crime Prevention conducts safety presentations to organizations and coordinates the Neighborhood Watch Program. Neighborhood Watch Meetings were held virtually throughout the year.



Traffic Unit

The Traffic Unit was restructured in 2020 to meet the City's growing needs. It currently consists of a corporal and two officers. The responsibilities of the Traffic Unit include traffic enforcement, community education, and collision investigation. Traffic enforcement and education aim to encourage motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians to voluntarily comply with city ordinances and the California Vehicle Code to save lives, reduce collisions, and prevent economic loss.





The goals of the Traffic Unit are accomplished using the 5 E's. Engineering, Enforcement, Education, Emergency Response, and Emerging Technologies.

The Traffic Unit coordinates DUI Sobriety Checkpoints, DUI Saturation Patrols, and targeted vehicle code enforcement operations in partnership with the California Office of Traffic Safety, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and local law enforcement agencies.

The Traffic Unit utilizes electronic survey tools and three-dimensional computer software to reconstruct fatal accident scenes as part of collision investigations. These tools are used to create the factual diagram required for fatal collision reports.

Foothill Air Support Team

Established in 1999 as a regional air support program between small neighboring cities in the San Gabriel Valley, the Foothill Air Support Team (FAST) provides air service for the cities of Alhambra, Arcadia, Covina, Glendora, La Verne, Monrovia, Pasadena, Pomona, San Marino, Sierra Madre, and South Pasadena.

Each participating agency in FAST provides one officer as a Tactical Flight Officer (TFO) who undergoes a grueling 160 hours of training. The TFO is responsibilities include monitoring radio calls for assistance from 11 different cities, coordinating resources, and directing patrol officers at crime scenes.





Bicycle/T3 Unit

The Bicycle and T3 Unit is staffed by full-time and reserve officers as collateral duty in addition to their regular assignment. The Department has traditional two-wheeled bicycles and electric bicycles. The T3's are electrically powered three-wheeled vehicles.

The bicycles and T3's are used for patrol, crime suppression, and public events. Their ability to move quietly, especially at night, make them ideal for directed enforcement operations.







SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

Lieutenant Tom Jacobs supervises the Support Services Division, which is composed solely of non-sworn personnel.

The Administrative Services Section is responsible for office and fleet management, station maintenance, and evidence control. In addition, they also ensure compliance with current laws, department policies, procedures, training and supervise the recruitment and hiring of new employees.

The Support Services Division is comprised of communications (dispatch), records, parking enforcement, reserve officers, cadets, and volunteers. Support Services provides technical support while working closely with the City's Information Technology team to ensure proper maintenance and upgrades to the servers, computers, and phone systems.



Support Services Assistant

The Support Services Assistant (SSA) is staffed by one non-sworn, full-time employee with three critical administrative duties: Recruitment, Training and Property/Evidence.

- **Recruitment –** The SSA works with the City's Human Resources Department, recruiting and processing police department applicants. The SSA administrators written and physical fitness exams, coordinates the background investigations, interviews, psychological and medical testing.
- **Property/Evidence** A significant role for the SSA is managing all evidence and found property. The proper management of evidence is critical for the appropriate chain-of-custody process. This includes receiving, processing, storing, and releasing property or evidence and disposing of narcotics and unclaimed property. The SSA ensures that narcotics are properly stored and sent to the Crime Lab for testing.

Training – The SSA ensures that all



employees are current with all mandated training in accordance with the California State Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST).

Police Assistants

Police assistants are non-sworn, full-time employees and are at the heart of the police department. Their primary responsibilities are "dispatchers." They process vital communications between officers in the field, the police station, and the public. Police assistants receive incoming telephone calls for service, including 911 emergency calls for both police and fire. Calls for fire service are transferred to a centralized fire dispatch center in Glendale that coordinates several fire departments in the San Gabriel Valley.





Police assistants are trained in first-aid and CPR and must work well under immense pressure. They must quickly determine the nature of calls and prioritize various types of emergency and non-emergency calls while ensuring the appropriate resources are dispatched. When answering calls for service, police assistants must quickly obtain facts while keeping the caller calm, sending officers, and relaying pertinent information to responders.

While inside the dispatch center, police assistants monitor City Hall, the police station, and the jail holding area through surveillance cameras. They enter all data related to calls for service into the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management System (RMS). The dispatch center can accommodate up to three police assistants, with each work station containing five computer monitors that display CAD, RMS, and other various computer programs. Police assistants also assist with custody duties involving female arrestees.





Records Bureau

The Records Bureau is comprised of four clerks who are non-sworn, full-time employees and are also assisted by cadets.

The Records Bureau provides a wide variety of administrative duties that is critical for the Department's infrastructure.

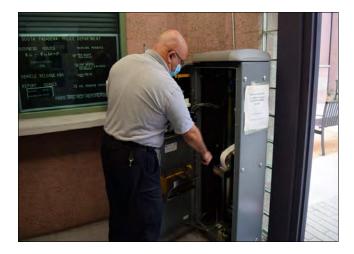
The Records Bureau maintains and archives all police reports. To keep accurate accounts and security of each report, clerks scan all documents,



including photographs, which are stored digitally in a secured server. Clerks also provide customer assistance at the front counter, aid in fingerprinting service to the public, process all vehicle parking-related matters, maintain the overnight parking machine in the lobby, and coordinate hearings for contested citations.

Additionally, each clerk has a specific responsibility that they specialize in. These duties include working with the Detective Bureau to process paperwork for cases to be filed with the District Attorney's Office, processing subpoenas, citations, and fulfilling public requests for police reports received over the counter, phone, or online. Clerks process discovery motions (requests made from the district attorney's office to obtain reports, photos, 9-1-1 calls, body worn cameras, etc. for court), answer the general business line to the police department during regular business hours, handle payroll for police employees, reconcile revenues from paid citations and parking permits, and process Public Records Act Requests.

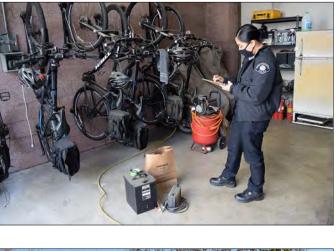




Police Cadet Program

The Police Cadet Program offers young adults an opportunity to experience police work as a potential career. Six part-time cadets currently assist the Department in clerical and fieldwork. Cadets may be assigned to the Records Department or Detective Bureau.

Duties in the Records Department include taking reports, answering questions from the general public, filing, and assisting residents with parking permits and citations. Fieldwork consists of vehicle maintenance, delivering court documents, delivering evidence to crime labs, traffic control, parking enforcement, and radar trailer deployment. A cadet assigned to the Detective Bureau assists detectives with crime statistics and evidence processing.







Parking Control

Parking control officers enforce parking laws and issue parking citations. They also coordinate towing services, monitor vehicles for 72-hour violations, help with traffic control, enforce time zone and overnight parking violations.

During the relaxation of the overnight parking restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, parking control officers stayed productive, assisting officers with extra patrols throughout the City, schools, parks, and Caltrans-owned homes.



Reserve Program

Established in 1942, the South Pasadena Police Reserve Program is California's second-oldest reserve organization. Reserves officers are sworn officers that volunteer their time to the City. Since the program's inception, these officers have volunteered over 500,000 hours of service to the City of South Pasadena.

While on-duty, reserve officers perform the same duties as full-time officers and are required to complete the same training.

Volunteers

Three volunteers assists the South Pasadena Police Department with their technical skills.



Dr. Nicholas Greco Physician



Dan Bricker Chaplain



Sam Park Chaplain

Dr. Nicholas Greco has been a volunteer for six years and is the Medical Director for the Department's Tactical Combat Casualty Care program (TCCC). TCCC is pre-hospital trauma care in an austere environment and is taught to all officers as well as to neighboring agencies. Dr. Greco is a full-time emergency room physician at Huntington Memorial Hospital and at Los Angeles County USC Medical Center.

Dan Bricker and **Sam Park** are the chaplains for the Department and provide support to all police employees. Both Chaplains ride patrol with police officers and assist the public when sensitive or emotional events occur. The chaplains also help during local events presenting invocations. Dan Bricker has been volunteering with the Department for 19 years and teaches at Azusa Pacific University. Sam Park has been volunteering for one year and is the lead pastor at ReNew United Methodist Church in South Pasadena.

Technology

The Police Department uses technology to maintain accountability with the public and adherence to Department guidelines. Since 2008, the Department has provided body-worn cameras to all officers and now issues them to parking control officers.

Patrol vehicles are equipped with Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) cameras that help locate vehicles used in crimes. ALPR cameras captures images of license plates and through software, compares the information against other databases such as stolen vehicles.

A tablet containing the Purple Communication Software is utilized in the field for officers to connect with a live interpreter for communicating with the hearing impaired and deaf. In 2021, the department acquired Video Remote Interpreting (VRI) software. VRI is an on-demand service that supports over 300 languages, utilizing live interpreters to communicate between non-English speakers and first responders.

Small GPS trackers are placed inside parcel packages to combat package thefts. The package containing the GPS is placed on front porches. Once the item is taken, the GPS is activated, sending a signal that can be tracked by dispatch. Officers can be directed to the location with precise coordinates.







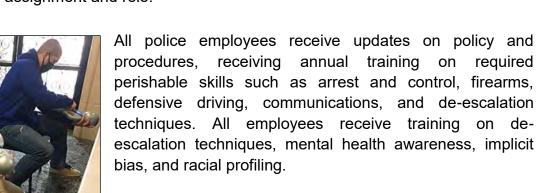




Training

Each police employee receives continuous training throughout the year. While some training is mandated, the Department also offers specialized training to interested employees to enhance skills or meet certain needs within the community.

New employees must pass a strict field training program before performing as solo police officers. Employees assigned to a specialized unit must also pass additional training specific to their assignment and role.



Training is often conducted with neighboring agencies to learn standardized procedures and provide consistency

when responding to mutual aid requests.

Each officer is trained in CPR and first-aid, including Naloxone (Narcan). Narcan is used as an emergency treatment medication for known or suspected opioid overdose. Several lives have been saved since the implementation of the program.









Social Media/E-Policing

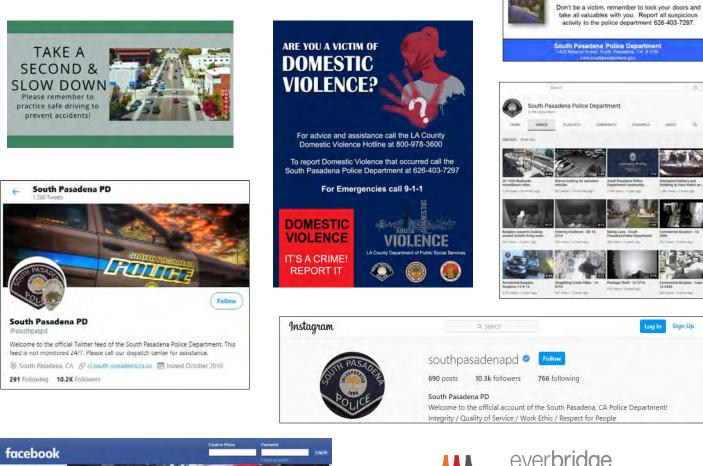
Social media and E-Policing resources allow the Department to interact and offer services to the community any time of the day. This has been especially important during the COVID-19 pandemic. Social media and E-Policing services were essential in maintaining community service expectations while adhering to public health mandates.

Social media provided up-to-date information on the pandemic as information and restrictions were constantly evolving.

Traffic updates and road closures are also are posted to help motorists be aware of traffic hazards.

E-Policing resources allowed residents to access police service from the safety of their own homes. Virtual meetings were held with several organizations and churches to stay connected with the community.

Several virtual campaigns were made throughout the year, including "Lock it, Keep it," "Domestic Violence Outreach," and Gardening Equipment thefts.







Lock it, Keep it!

The South Pasadena Police Department reminds residents to lock their vehicle's doors and remove all

valuables from their vehicle. Car burglaries are crimes of opportunity. Thieves walk down the street looking into vehicles and randomly pull

on door handles

SPPD in the Community



























Police Assistant Bayron Salguero End of Watch - January 16, 2021



The Police Department was not immune from the effects of COVID. On January 16, 2021, 30-year-old Police Assistant Bayron Salguero passed away from complications related to COVID-19.

Bayron was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hiking and trying new restaurants. He was hired in 2019 as a police assistant. While only with the Department for a short time, Police Assistant Salguero made a lasting impact with his fellow co-workers. He was a fast learner and highly professional in all that he did.

Police Assistant Salguero will be sorely missed by all. Police Assistant Salguero is survived by his parents and two sisters.





In Memory



Ray Rogers Police Officer EOW April 15, 1944



Kevin Sandoval Police Officer EOW June 14, 2011



Bayron Salguero Police Assistant EOW January 16, 2021

To honor our fallen officers, each year the South Pasadena Police Officers' Association awards a memorial scholarship in the names of Officers Kevin Sandoval, Ray Rogers and Police Assistant Bayron Salguero to deserving South Pasadena High School Seniors.



On November 3, 2020, South Pasadena Police Officers joined recruits from Rio Hondo Police Academy Class 210 in their "Pride Run" to honor a fallen officer. The honorary officer selected was South Pasadena Police Officer Kevin Sandoval.

Service Pins



Service Pins are awarded to city employees in recognition and appreciation for their dedicated service to the City. The Service Pins are awarded for every five years of service. The pins are engraved with the employee's milestone anniversary date and a corresponding gemstone.

In 2020 and 2021, the following employees were recognized for their years off dedicated service:



Esther Delinko 40 Years



Tony Abdalla 30 Years



Matthew Ronnie 30 Years



Robert Bartl 30 Years



Shannon Robledo 25 Years



Gilbert Carrillo 5 Years



Daren Wong 25 Years



Elias Giron-Garrido 5 Years



Richard Lee 25 Years



Patrick Zamora 5 Years



Spencer Louie 15 Years



Jose Ramirez 5 Years

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