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**Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report**

Reporting Period: October 1-31, 2018

Snapshot of Activities		Monthly	Year to Date
<b>Community Outreach</b>			
OPO	Total Community Events and Meetings	5	97
OPOC	Community Outreach / Activities	2	74
<b>Commendations</b>		0	2
<b>Complaints</b>			
	Received Complaints	6	57
	Referred Complaints	2	41
<b>Contacts</b>		71	1316
<b>Case Review</b>			
	Request for Further Investigation	2	8
	Investigations Certified / Concurred	9	46
	Declined Certifications	0	4
	Special Cases Reviewed	8	147
<b>Interviews</b>			
	OPO Interviews	6	163
	IA Interviews	19	122
<b>Training</b>		5	33
<b>Critical Incidents</b>		0	1
<b>Mediations</b>			
	Conducted	0	2
	Declined	0	1
<b>Recommendations</b>		0	5
<b>Other Activities</b>			
SPD Related	Meetings / Contacts	16	242
	Review Boards	3	33
	Closing Meeting	0	1

## 1. Outreach

### a) OPO

- i. COPS Volunteer Dinner (10/25)
- ii. Meeting regarding Service Animals/ADA/WLAD – (10/11)
- iii. Meeting with Mr. Larsen – Complaint OPO 18-32 (10/18)
- iv. Meeting with Cam Zorroza – Center for Justice (10/24)
- v. OPOC Retreat (10/27)

### b) OPOC Actions – Commissioners attended the following events, some events were attended by multiple Commissioners:

- i. NACOLE (9/30-10/4)
- ii. OPOC Retreat (10/27)

## 2. Commendations / Complaints

### a) Received

- i. **OPO 18-47 – Demeanor:** Complainant called Crime Check to report a hit and run. When the officer returned the phone call, the complainant stated he was short and described as rude.
- ii. **OPO 18-54 – Computer Misuse:** Complainant stated she had been communicating with an officer on a dating site. Complainant alleges that the officer used the SPD computers to obtain personal information about her.
- iii. **OPO 18-55 – Inadequate Response:** Complainant has called Crime Check numerous times regarding a violation on a protection order. She has been told that unless she has proof of the violation nothing will be done.
- iv. **OPO 18-56 – Excessive Force / Demeanor:** Complainant alleges he had been taken down and had guns drawn on him because he matched a suspect the officers were looking for.
- v. **OPO 18-57 – Inadequate Response / Demeanor:** Complainant was assaulted and police were called. Complainant was made to feel like he was in the wrong.
- vi. **OPO 18-59 – Inadequate Response:** Complainant has contacted their NRO multiple times regarding drug activity in their area. No calls have been returned.

### b) Referred

- i. **IR 18-42** – Complaint regarding mental health and homelessness in Spokane – City Council
- ii. **IR 18-43** – Complaint about lack of response in an adult care facility – Lt. Stevens

## 3. Case Review

- a) C18-031 – Investigation Certified
- b) C18-040 / OPO 18-21 – Request further investigation/ Investigation Certified
- c) C18-047 – Investigation Certified
- d) C18-060 – Investigation Certified
- e) C18-065 – Investigation Certified
- f) C18-067 – Investigation Certified

- g) C18-071 / OPO 18-43 – Investigation Certified
- h) C18-072 / OPO 18-44 – Requested further investigation
- i) C18-075 / OPO 18-48 – Investigation Certified
- j) C18-090 – Investigation Certified

**4. Special Cases Reviewed**

- i. 3 Use of Force
- ii. 1 Pursuit
- iii. 2 Collision
- iv. 2 K9 Deployment

**5. Activities**

- a) OPO staff members participated/engaged in the following other activities:
  - i. NACOLE (9/29 – 10/4)
  - ii. IACP (10/5-10/9)
  - iii. SCSO Citizens Academy (10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29)
  - iv. Fall 2018 Speaker Series at Gonzaga School of Leadership (10/10)
  - v. Leadership Spokane Kaiser Aluminum Tour (10/17)
  - vi. Leadership Spokane Avista Dam Tour (10/25)
  - vii. Leadership Spokane Alumni Meeting (10/25)
  - viii. Leadership Spokane Gala Planning (10/11, 10/15, 10/22,
- b) SPD related
  - i. 6 meetings/contacts with IA
  - ii. 12 meetings/contacts with SPD
- c) OPO met with/had contact with OPO Commissioners/Staff:
  - i. Commissioner Smith on 10/10
  - ii. Commissioner Rose on 10/10
  - iii. Commissioner Smith on 10/11
  - iv. Commissioner Smith on 10/18
  - v. Commissioner Rose on 10/18
  - vi. OPOC Legal Counsel Hession on 10/23
  - vii. Commissioner Wilburn on 10/25
  - viii. Commissioner Kelley on 10/25
  - ix. Commissioner Smith on 10/25
  - x. Commissioner Rose on 10/25
  - xi. Commissioner Smith on 10/31
- d) OPO met with/had contact with City Council members/staff:
  - i. Council Staff Oberst 10/9
  - ii. Council President Stuckart 10/25
  - iii. Council Member Fagan 10/25

**6. Next Steps**

- a. End of year wrap up
- b. Budget Follow-up for FT Administrative Specialist Position