



Office of the Police Ombudsman

Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report

Reporting Period: April 1-30, 2021

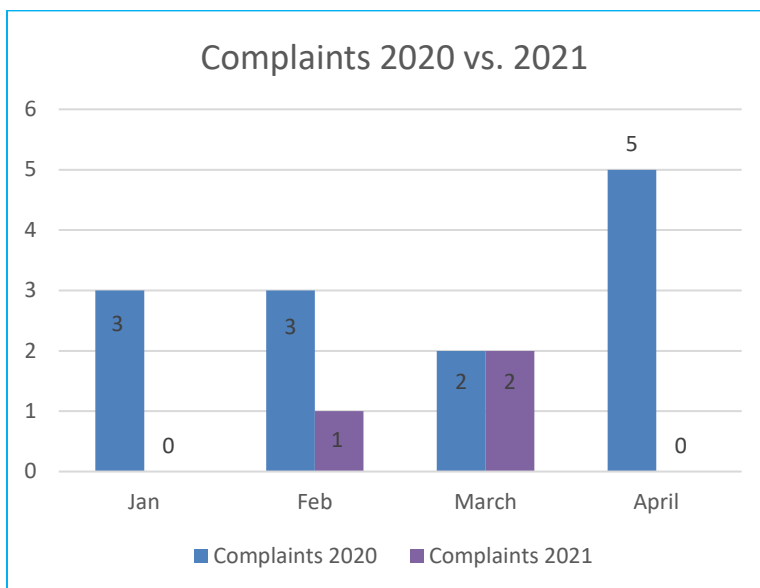
Monthly Highlights

- Meetings with Chief Meidl
 - Discussions regarding the Guild Grievance regarding the May 31st protest review and a way to move forward
 - Establishing a monthly meeting to replace the quarterly meeting
 - Mediation Requested for C21-017
- Closing Reports
 - Data Collection and Review
 - Created timeline for report submission
- Deputy Ombudsman Training
 - Interviews
 - Case Review
- Human Resources
 - Ombudsman and Deputy Ombudsman Job Descriptions

Referrals:

In April, the OPO received 2 referrals which were sent to the SPD IA Department.

- **IR 21-24:** A community member believes that they came into contact with a known arsonist.
- **IR 21-25:** A community member believes that they are not getting assistance from SPD when needed.

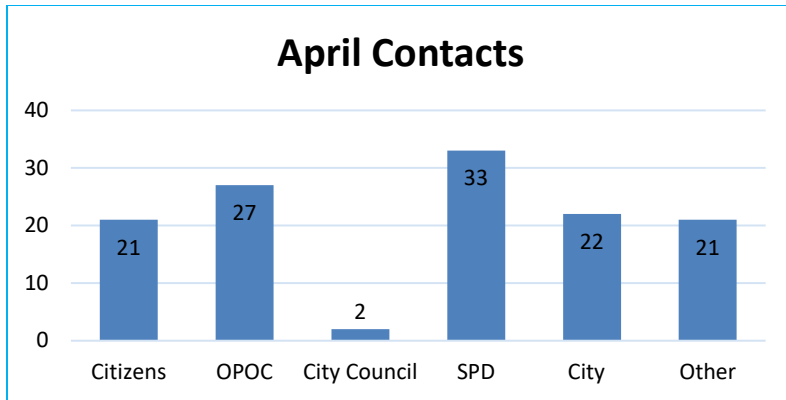


YTD Complaint Comparison

The OPO saw a decrease in complaints in April 2021 (0) as compared to April 2020 (5).

Overall complaints are down YTD (3) compared to 2020 (13).

The OPO has received 25 referrals in 2021



Contacts/Oversight

- 126 total contacts
- 2 community member interviews were conducted
- 2 IA Interviews Were attended

Oversight Activities

Highlights:

- The OPO attended 1 Deadly Force Review Board during the month of April
- The OPO was notified of a Critical Incident that took place on April 17th in the vicinity of 500 S Cannon – Officer involved shooting

Case Work

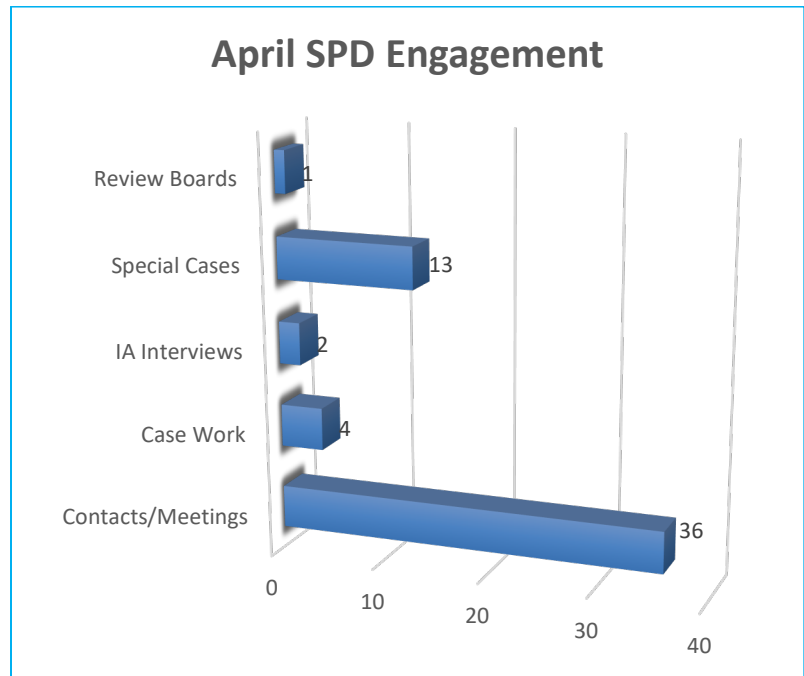
- 4 cases certified

Special Cases

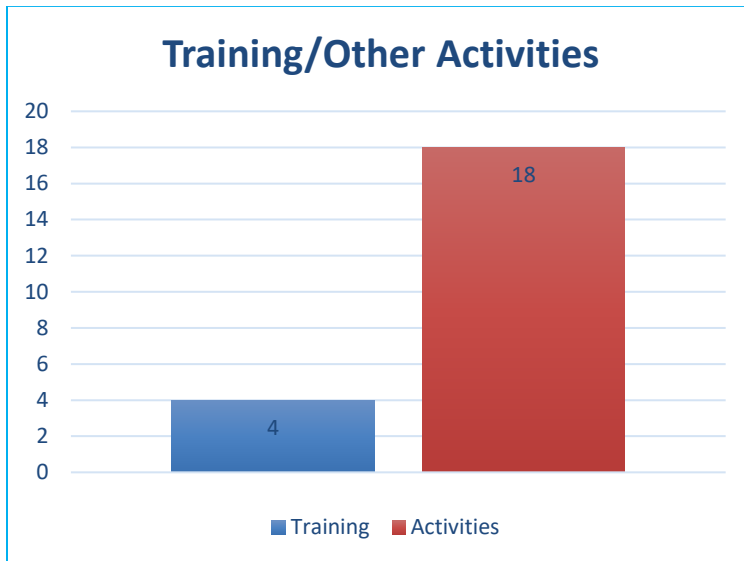
- Use of Force – 3
- K9 - 3
- Collision – 7
- Pursuit – 0

Critical Incident (2 YTD)

- OIS: Ash & Queen
 - 1/5/2021
- OIS: 500 S Cannon
 - 4/17/2021



Training/Other Activities



Training

NACOLE Webinar:

- Police Response to Protests

IACP Webinar:

- Law Officer Section, Virtual Spring Training

Internal Training:

- Case Review
- Officer Interviews

Highlights:

- Mediation Requested for C21-017
- Oversight – OPOC monthly meeting, NACOLE Use of Force Working Group, NACOLE Strategic Planning Committee, NACOLE Peer to Peer Subcommittee, Task force 2.0 Policing and Alternatives to Policing subcommittee
- Other Community Meetings – Leadership Spokane Executive Board meeting, Leadership 2021 meeting, Jonah Project Meeting, Leadership Spokane Social Committee meeting

Upcoming

- The OPO is working on multiple closing reports utilizing the new format specified in the CBA
- OPO review of the May 31st SPD protest response on hold pending City action on the Guild Grievance

Office of the Police Ombudsman Commission Meeting:
Held virtually, the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 5:30pm
Agendas and meeting recordings can be found at:

<https://my.spokanecity.org/bcc/commissions/ombudsman-commission/>