

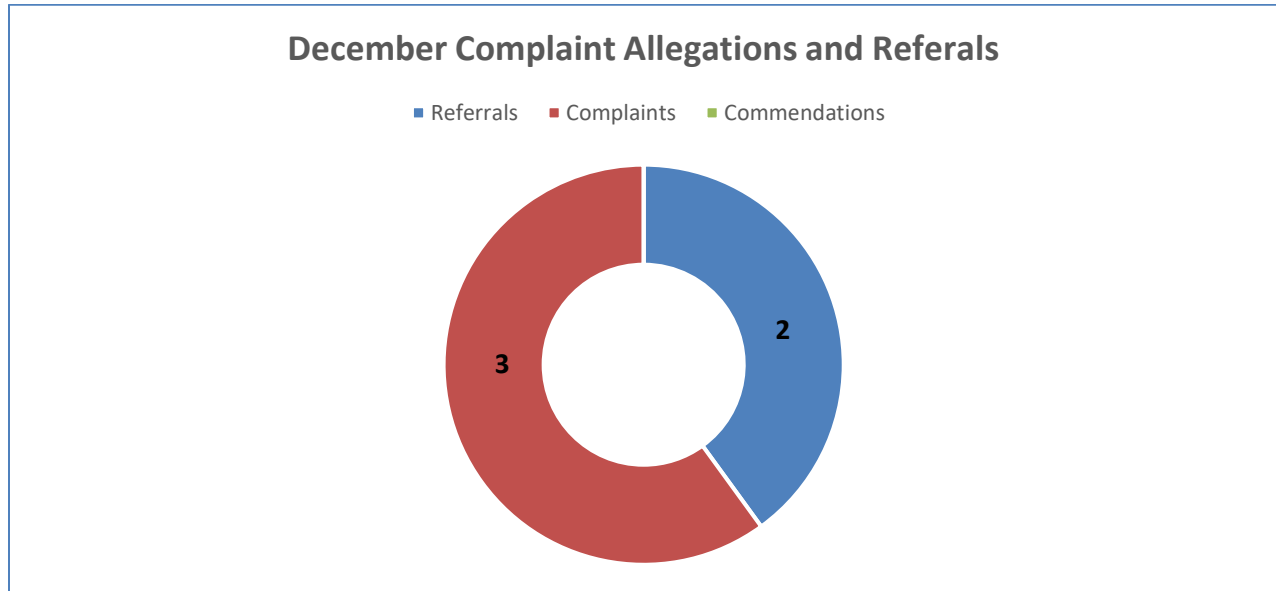


Office of the Police Ombudsman

Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report

Reporting Period: December 1-31, 2021

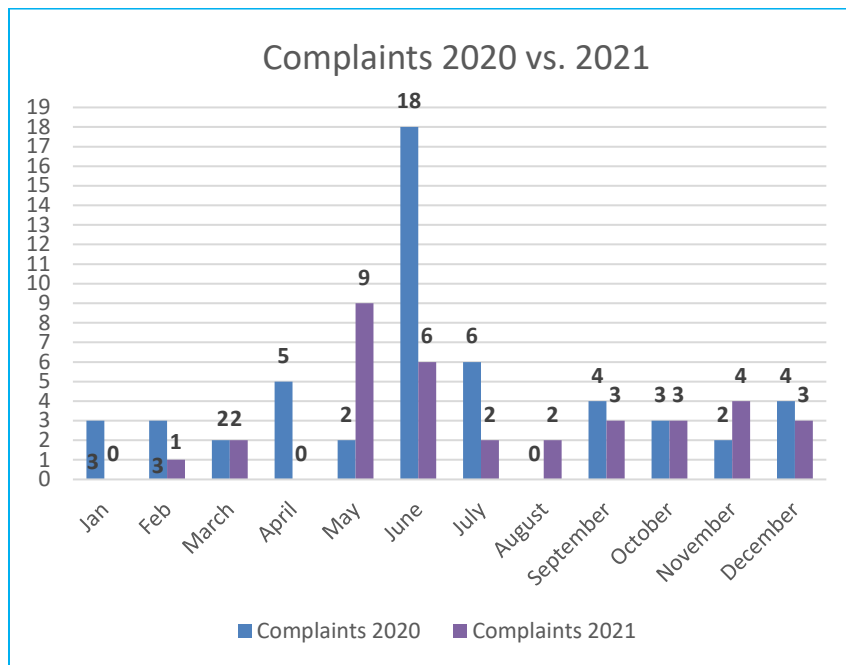
Complaints/Referrals/Contacts



Highlights:

In December, the Office of the Police Ombudsman (OPO) submitted 3 complaints to the Spokane Police Department's (SPD) Internal Affairs (IA). Additionally, 1 referrals were submitted to the SPD IA, 1 referral to Dispatch.

- OPO 21-35: A community member alleges that their partner and friends were racially profiled for a shooting that occurred downtown.
- OPO 21-40: A community member alleges that officers falsely arrested another community member. In addition, those officers allegedly committed perjury in Federal Court regarding the arrest.
- OPO 21-41: A community member had made numerous attempts to have a vehicle removed from their church property. When an officer did respond the community member was told that the vehicle was reported stolen but did not have the vehicle towed from the property.
- IR 21-65: A community member wanted to know the policy on why their insurance company was not allowed to take pictures of their totaled vehicle. This was referred to the SPD IA.
- ER 21-67: A community member called Crime Check to report an issue at the apartment complex that they lived. The dispatcher told them that couldn't make a report due to them not being the owner of the property. The dispatched then allegedly called mental health services on the community member.



YTD Complaint Comparison

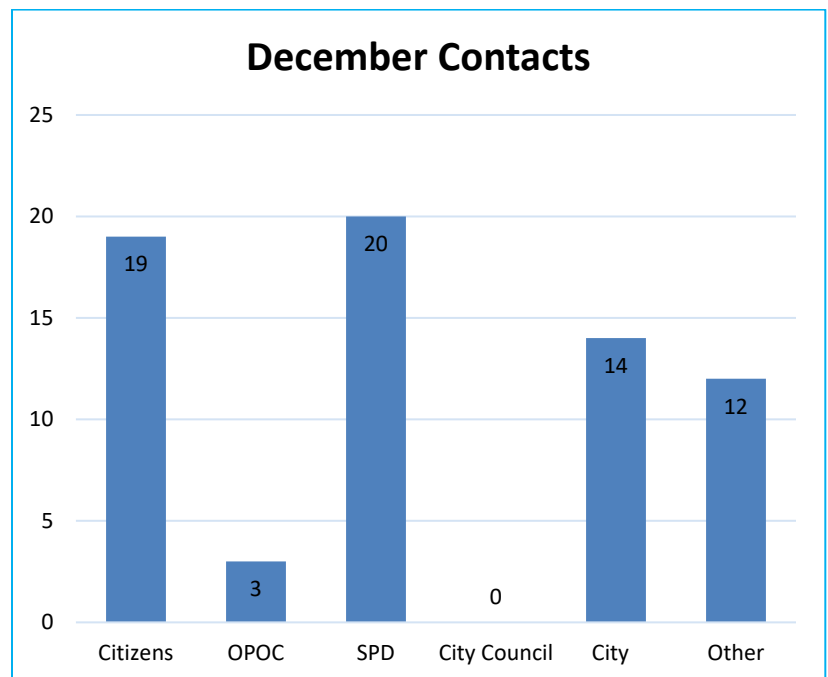
The OPO saw a decrease in intake of complaints in December 2021 (3) compared to December 2020 (4). Overall complaints are down YTD (35) Compared to 2020 (48).

Difference is due to civil unrest following the death of George Floyd.

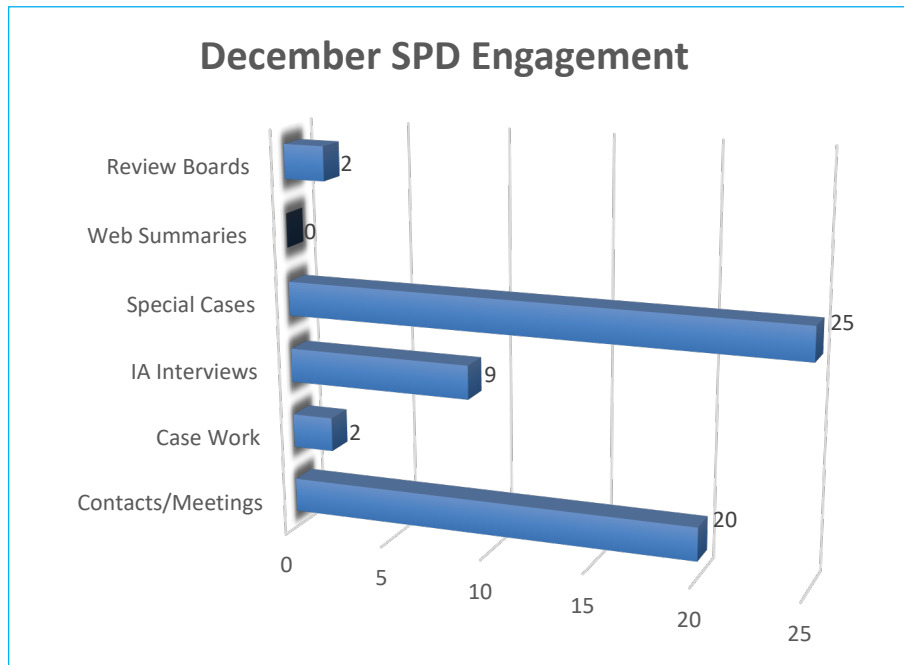
Contacts/Oversight:

Contacts/Oversight

- 68 total contacts
- 19 community member
6 interviews were conducted
- 9 officer interviews in IA
- 20 total SPD meetings/significant contacts
- 16 IA meetings/significant contacts



Oversight Activities



Case Work

2 – cases certified
0 – Web Summaries Reviewed

Special Cases

13 – Use of Force
3 – K9
7 – Collision
2 – Pursuit

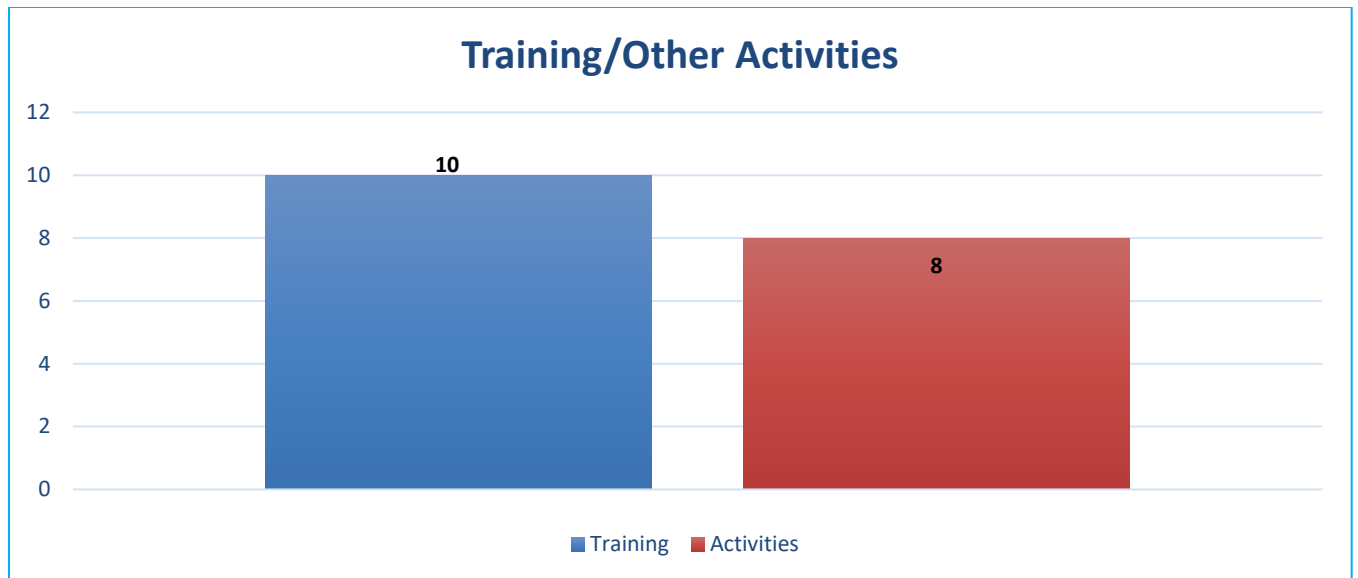
Review Boards

1 – UOF
1 – CPRB

Training/Other Activities

Highlights:

- Training – NACOLE Virtual Annual Conference Sessions, Daigle Law Group Use of Force Summit, NACOLE Annual Conference, WSCJTC Training, PRA University Training from the AGO: Building a Repeatable, Defensible PRA Process, AGO PRR Case Law Updates Training
- City Meetings – PSCHC Meeting,
- Oversight – NACOLE meeting for Member Development and Support Committee, NACOLE Strategic Planning Committee, NACOLE Use of Force Working Group
- Other Community Meetings – Leadership Spokane, Leadership 2021, Celebrate Recovery Events, Leadership 2021 Event, Leadership Spokane Holiday Special Event
- Oversight/Outreach
 - Testimony for Washington State Attorney General’s Office Law Enforcement Data Collection Advisory Group



Upcoming

- 2021 Annual Reports

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/>