

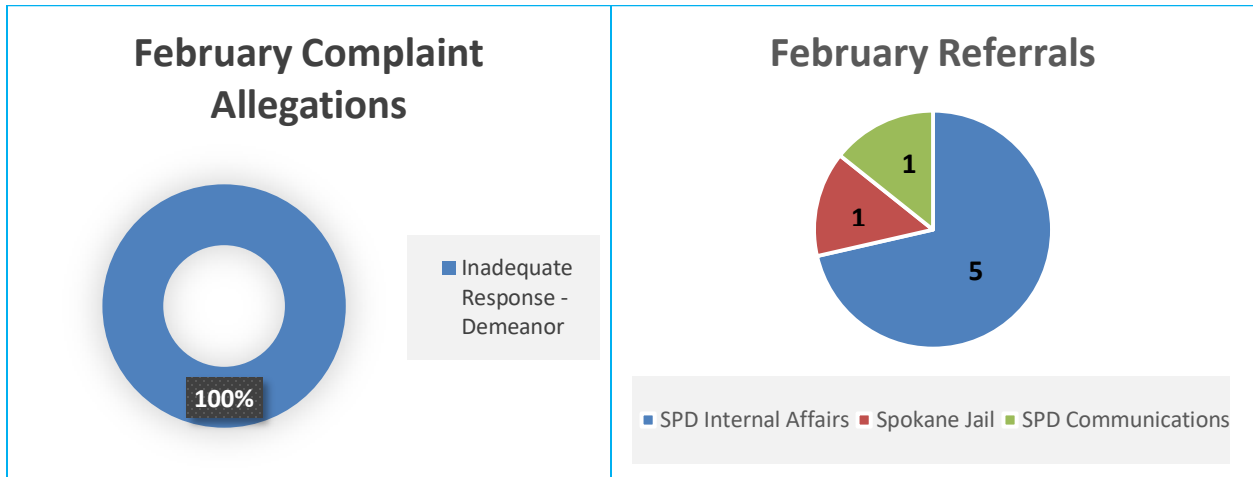


Office of the Police Ombudsman

Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report

Reporting Period: February 1-28, 2021

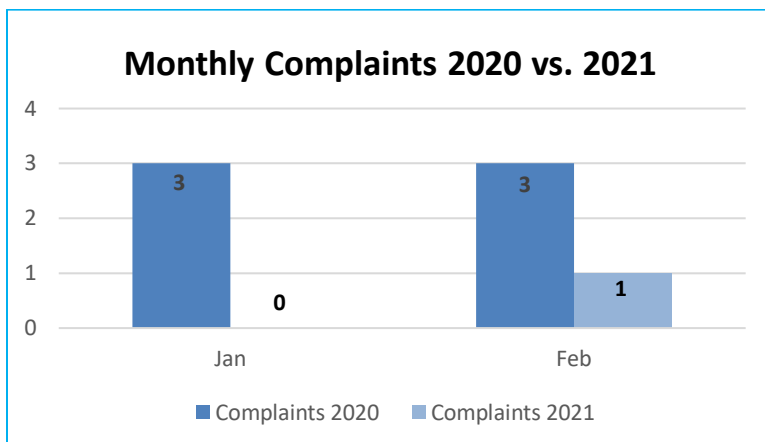
Complaints/Referrals/Contacts



Highlights:

In February the OPO received 1 complaint and made 7 referrals for various agencies, examples include:

- Community member had concerns about a relative not receiving medical attention at the Jail – Spokane Jail
- Community member had questions about how to carry a weapon without a Conceal Carry Permit – SPD Communications
- Community member had a use of force question during an arrest that occurred outside of the 1 year – SPD Internal Affairs



Complaint Comparison

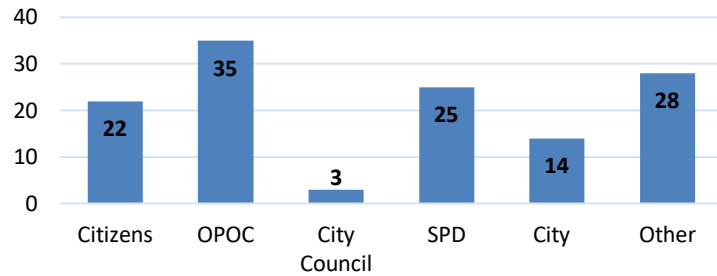
The OPO saw a decline in complaints in February 2021 (1) compared to February 2020 (3).

Overall complaints are down YTD (1) compared to 2020 (6).

February Contacts

- 136 total contacts
- 5 community member interviews were conducted
- City contacts emphasis on Deputy Police Ombudsman Position

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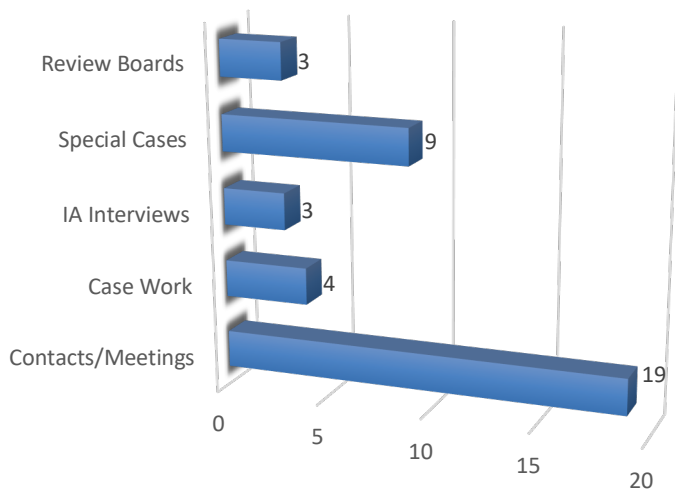


Oversight Activities

Highlights:

- The OPO attended 3 Internal Affairs interviews
- The OPO attended 3 review boards during the month of February – Deadly Force Review Board, Use of Force Review Board and Collision and Pursuit Review Board
- The OPO attended the Internal Affairs Bi-Weekly meeting
- The Ombudsman had several discussions with Chief Meidl regarding the annual report
- The OPO began discussion with IA on TA changes to current practices
- The Ombudsman identified 7 cases for closing reports and recommendations

February SPD Engagement



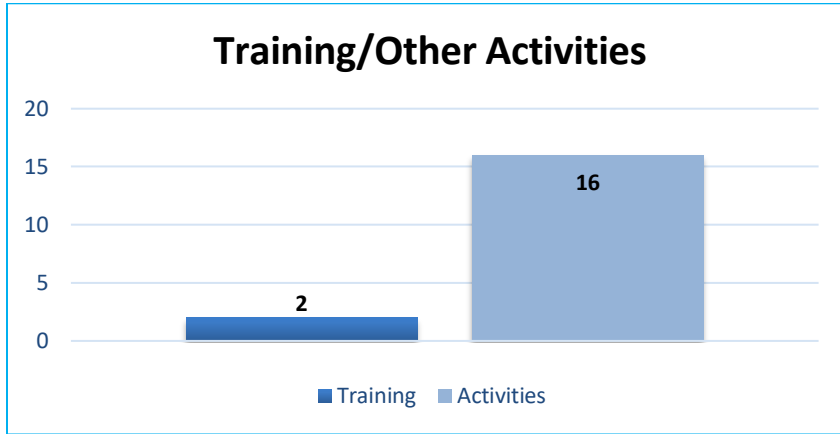
Case Work

- 3 cases certified
- 1 case returned for further investigation
- 1 case recommended for mediation

Special Cases

- Use of Force - 5
- Collision - 2
- Pursuit - 2

Training/Other Activities



Training:

Daigle Law Group: Use of Force Summit Webinar Series

WSBA: Due Process and Administrative Hearings during the time of Covid19

Highlights:

- Outreach – PSCHC Meeting, Quarterly Department Head meeting, C.O.P.S. board meeting, Spokane Human Rights Commission
- Oversight – OPOC monthly meeting, NACOLE Use of Force Working Group, NACOLE Strategic Planning Committee, NACOLE Member Development and Support Committee, Task force 2.0 Policing and Alternatives to Policing subcommittee
- Other – Leadership Spokane Executive Board meeting, Leadership 2021 meetings, Leadership Spokane Social Committee, Transformational Leadership Round Table

Upcoming

OPO/OPOC Annual Report Presentations to City Council Scheduled for April 12th

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/>