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Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report

Reporting Period: January 1-31, 2020

Snapshot of Activities		Monthly	Year to Date
Community Outreach			
OPO	Total community events and meetings	3	3
OPOC	Community outreach / activities	2	2
Contacts		106	106
Commendations		0	0
Complaints			
	Received complaints	0	0
	Referred complaints	11	11
Case Review			
	Request for further investigation	0	0
	Investigations certified / concurred	7	7
	Declined certifications	0	0
	Special cases reviewed	0	0
Interviews			
	OPO interviews	2	2
	Internal Affairs interviews	5	5
Training		2	2
Critical Incidents		1	1
Mediations		0	0
	Recommended	0	0
	Conducted	0	0
	Declined	0	0
Recommendations			
Other Activities			
SPD Related	Meetings / contacts	29	29
	Review boards / D-ARP's	0	0
	Closing meetings	0	0

1. **Outreach**

a) **OPO**

- i. Leadership 2021 Event (1/7)
- ii. OPOC Meeting (1/19)
- iii. Leadership 2021 Event (1/21)

b) **OPOC**

- i. OPOC Meeting (1/19)
- ii. PJALS Virtual Meeting (1/27)

2. **Commendations / Complaints / Referrals**

a) **Referrals**

- i. **IR 21-01** – Concerned with SPD officers not wearing masks while detaining and arresting a suspect; SPD/IA
- ii. **IR 21-02** – Was involved in a hit and run and has not heard back from the officer investigating their case; SPD/IA
- iii. **IR 21-03** – Frustrated with the lack of SPD support in the Emerson/Garfield District; SPD/IA
- iv. **IR 21-04** – Trying to get assistance with their hit and run accident; SPD/IA
- v. **ER 21-05** – Concerned about a violent citizen with explosive devices; Port Orchard Police Department
- vi. **IR 21-06** – Had questions about the officers who were transferred to Spokane PD from Seattle PD; SPD Communications Department
- vii. **IR 21-07** – Concerned about violent criminals being dropped off in Spokane; SPD Communications Department
- viii. **IR 21-08** – Had questions about why their significant other was taken by and SPD officer for an interview and questioned for 5-6 hours; SPD/IA
- ix. **IR 21-09** – Concerned with officers speeding on Wellesley by the Rogers High School, school zone; SPD/IA
- x. **IR 21-10** – Had been trying to obtain a police case number and had not been successful; SPD/IA
- xi. **IR 21-11** – Concerned with officers speeding while not having emergency lights or sirens; SPD/IA

3. **Case Review**

- i. **C20-017** – Investigation certified
- ii. **C20-011** – Investigation certified
- iii. **C20-091** – Investigation certified
- iv. **C20-088/OPO 20-57** – Investigation certified
- v. **C20-086** – Investigation certified
- vi. **C20-048/OPO 20-30** – Investigation certified
- vii. **C21-001** – Investigation certified

4. **Special Cases Reviewed**

- i. 0 Use of Force
- ii. 0 K9
- iii. 0 Collisions
- iv. 0 Pursuits

5. **Activities**

- a) OPO staff members participated/engaged in the following other activities:
 - i. PSCHC Meeting (1/4)
 - ii. Department Head Meeting (1/6)
 - iii. Alternatives to Policing (1/6)
 - iv. IA Bi-weekly meeting (1/7)
 - v. Leadership Spokane Executive Board Meeting (1/12)
 - vi. NACOLE Strategic Planning Committee (1/12)
 - vii. NACOLE Use of Force Working Group (1/12)
 - viii. Leadership Spokane Gala Committee (1/15)
 - ix. Leadership Spokane Board Meeting (1/20)
 - x. Jonah Project (1/21)
 - xi. Leadership Spokane Alumni Book Club Meeting (1/27)
 - xii. Training – Use of Force Summit Webinars (1/4 – 1/11)
 - xiii. Training – NACOLE, Analyzing and Report Use of Force Statistics (1/27)
- b) SPD related
 - i. 20 meetings/contacts with IA
 - ii. 9 meetings/contacts with SPD
- c) OPO met with/had contact with OPO Commissioners/staff:
 - i. Commissioner Rose on (1/5, 1/8, 1/15, 1/19, 1/25, 1/27, 1/29)
 - ii. Commissioner Smith on (1/5, 1/6, 1/8, 1/12, 1/13, 1/14 x2, 1/15, 1/19, 1/25 x2, 1/27, 1/28)
 - iii. Commissioner Wilburn on (1/5, 1/15, 1/19)
 - iv. Commissioner Jasmin on (1/5 x2, 1/6, 1/14, 1/15, 1/19)
 - v. OPOC Legal Counsel Mr. Bingaman on (1/27, 1/28, 1/29)
- d) OPO met with/had contact with City Council:
 - i. Council Member Wilkerson (1/5 x2)
 - ii. Council Member Kinnear (1/5 x2)
 - iii. Council Staffer Byrd (1/5)
 - iv. Council Staffer Carlos (1/5)
 - v. Council Staffer Allers (1/13, 1/14 x2, 1/21)
 - vi. Council President Beggs (1/27)

6. **Next Steps**

- a. OPO & OPOC 2020 Annual Report