

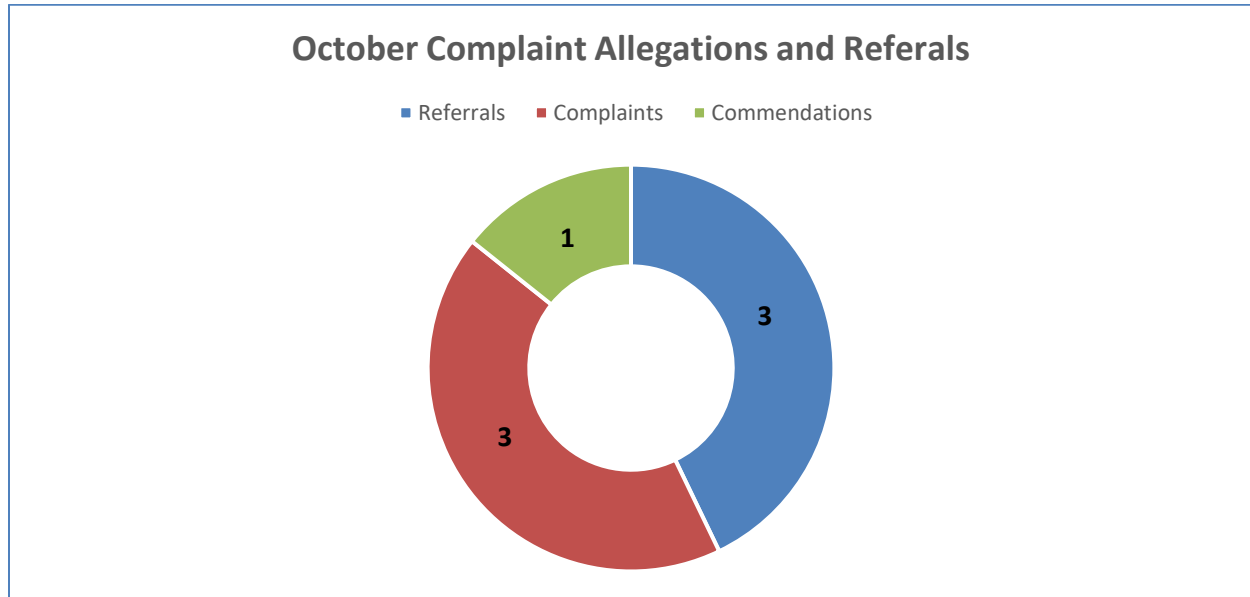


Office of the Police Ombudsman

Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report

Reporting Period: October 1-31, 2021

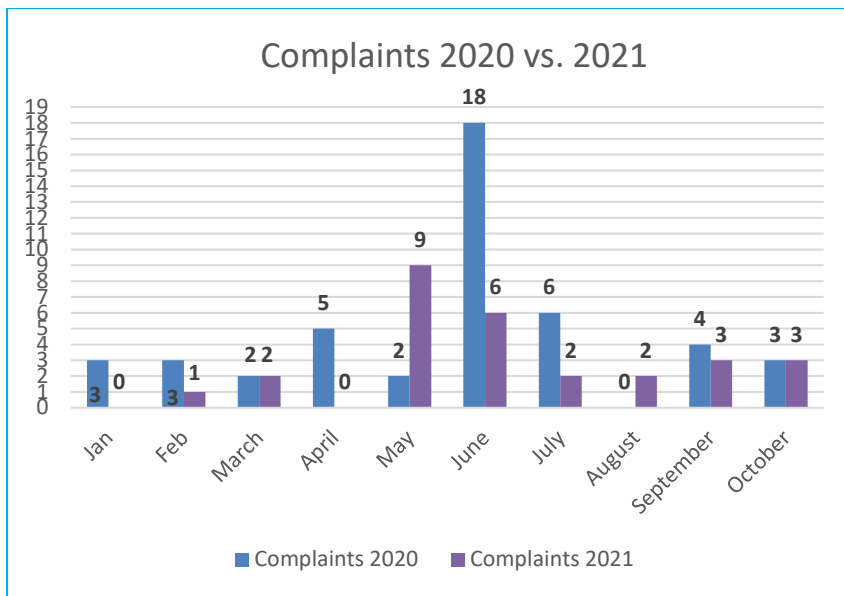
Complaints/Referrals/Contacts



Highlights:

In October, the Office of the Police Ombudsman (OPO) submitted 3 complaints, 2 referrals and 1 Commendation to the Spokane Police Department's (SPD) Internal Affairs (IA). Additionally, 1 referral was submitted to Spokane County Sheriff's Office.

- OPO 21-30: A community member alleged that they were falsely arrested for DV and that during the process, they were denied medical care.
- OPO 21-31: A community member submitted a commendation regarding an officer who stopped traffic to help a stranded turkey.
- OPO 21-32: A community member was frustrated that while they watched a former employee break into their business, an officer allegedly said that it was the other persons word against theirs and then blamed them because they were worked up.
- OPO 21-33: A complaint was submitted regarding a potential Disclosure of Confidential Information by members of the SPD.
- ER 21-59: A complaint came in regarding a lack of response for a stolen vehicle. This was referred to Spokane County Sheriff's Office.



YTD Complaint Comparison

The OPO saw a consistent intake of complaints in October 2021 (3) compared to October 2020 (3).

Overall complaints are down YTD (28) Compared to 2020 (45).

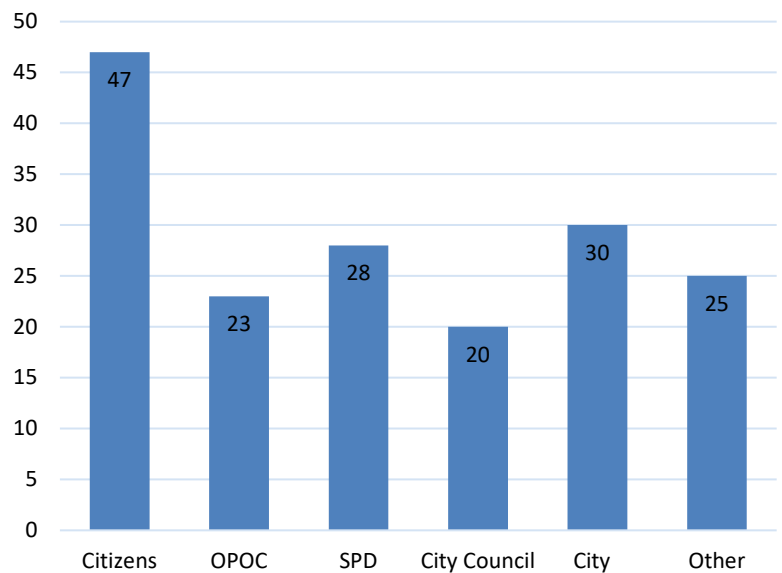
Difference is due to civil unrest following the death of George

Contacts/Oversight:

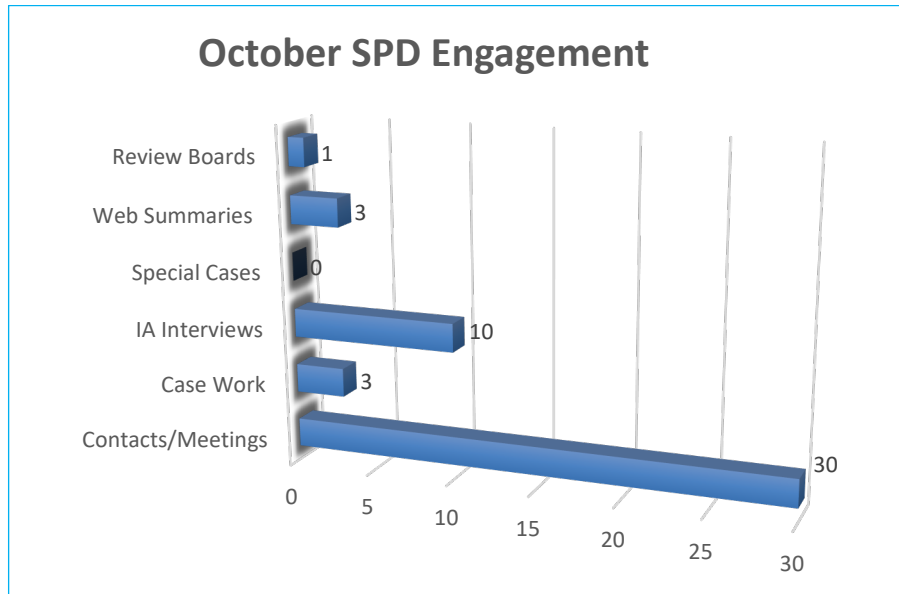
Contacts/Oversight

- 173 total contacts
- 8 community member interviews were conducted
- Attended 10 officer interviews in IA
- 28 total SPD meetings/significant contacts
- 12 IA meetings/significant contacts

October Contacts



Oversight Activities



Case Work

- 2 – cases certified
- 1 – case returned for further investigation
- 3 – Web Cases Reviewed
 - 3 Cases

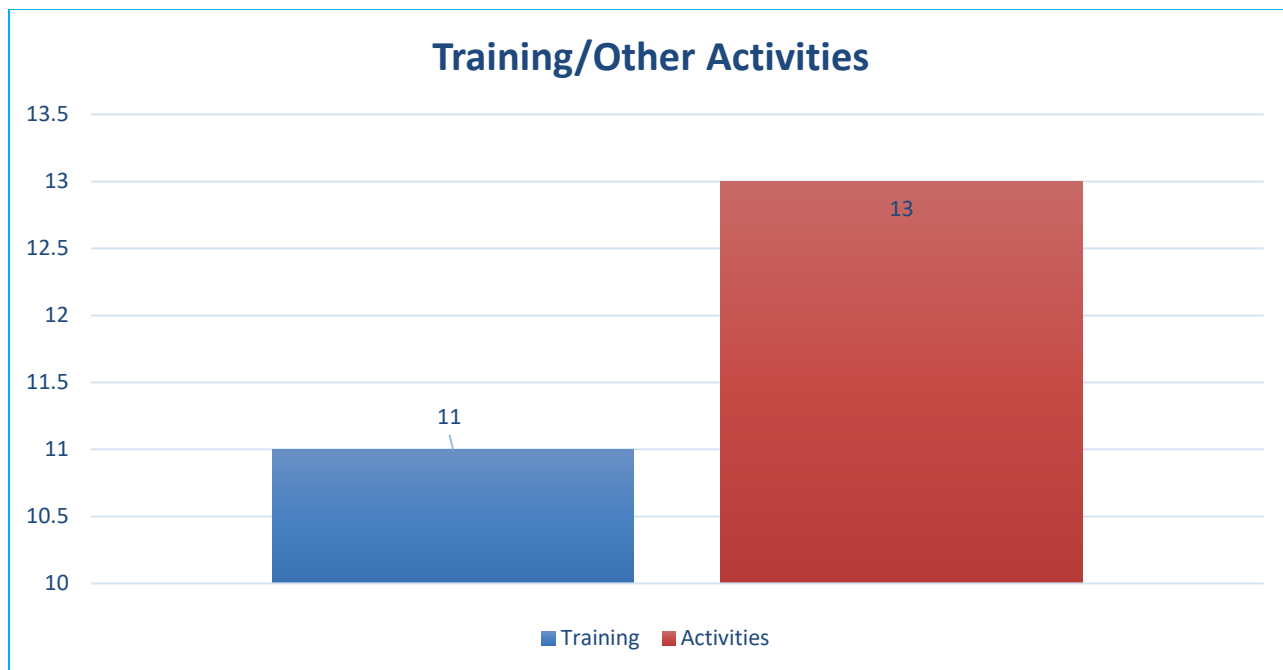
Special Cases

Due to the October Review Boards being cancelled, no Special Cases were reviewed.

Training/Other Activities

Highlights:

- Training – NACOLE Virtual Annual Conference Sessions, SPD In-Service
- City Meetings – PSCHC Meeting, OPOC Meeting, Faith and Blue Community Event
- Oversight – NACOLE meeting for Member Development and Support Committee, NACOLE Strategic Planning Committee, NACOLE Use of Force Working Group, Task Force Symposium Panel
- Other Community Meetings – Leadership Spokane, SCAR, Leadership 2021, Celebrate Recovery Events, Jonah Project Board Meeting



Upcoming

- Daigle Law Group Use of Force Summit: November 30 – December 2

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/>