

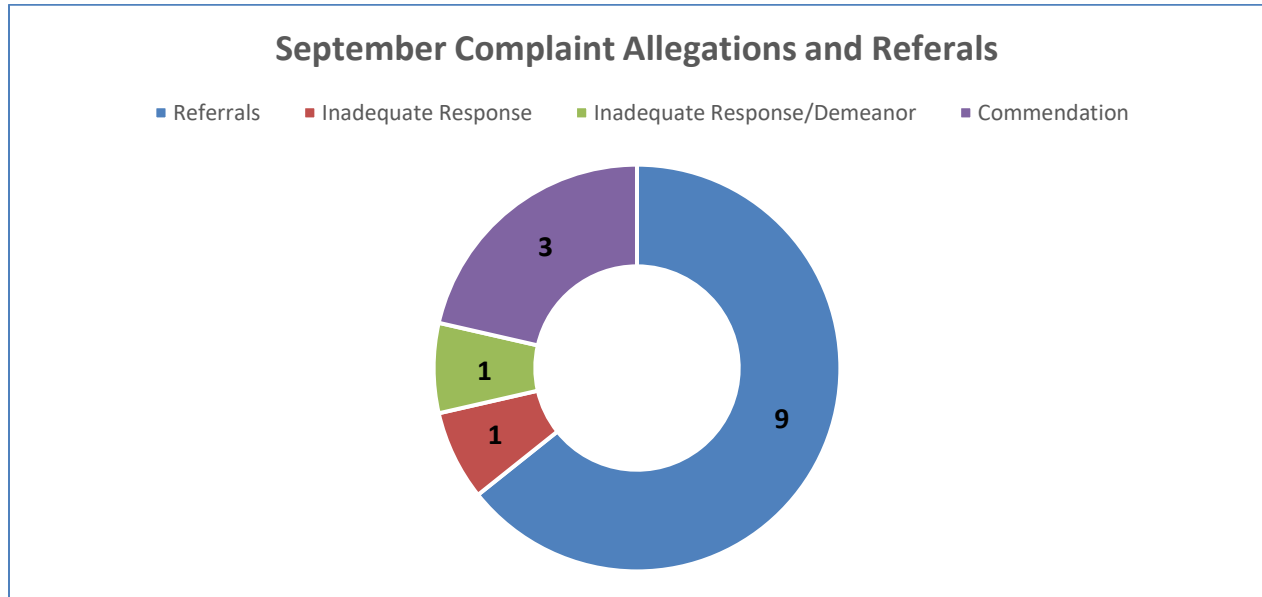


Office of the Police Ombudsman

Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report

Reporting Period: September 1-30, 2022

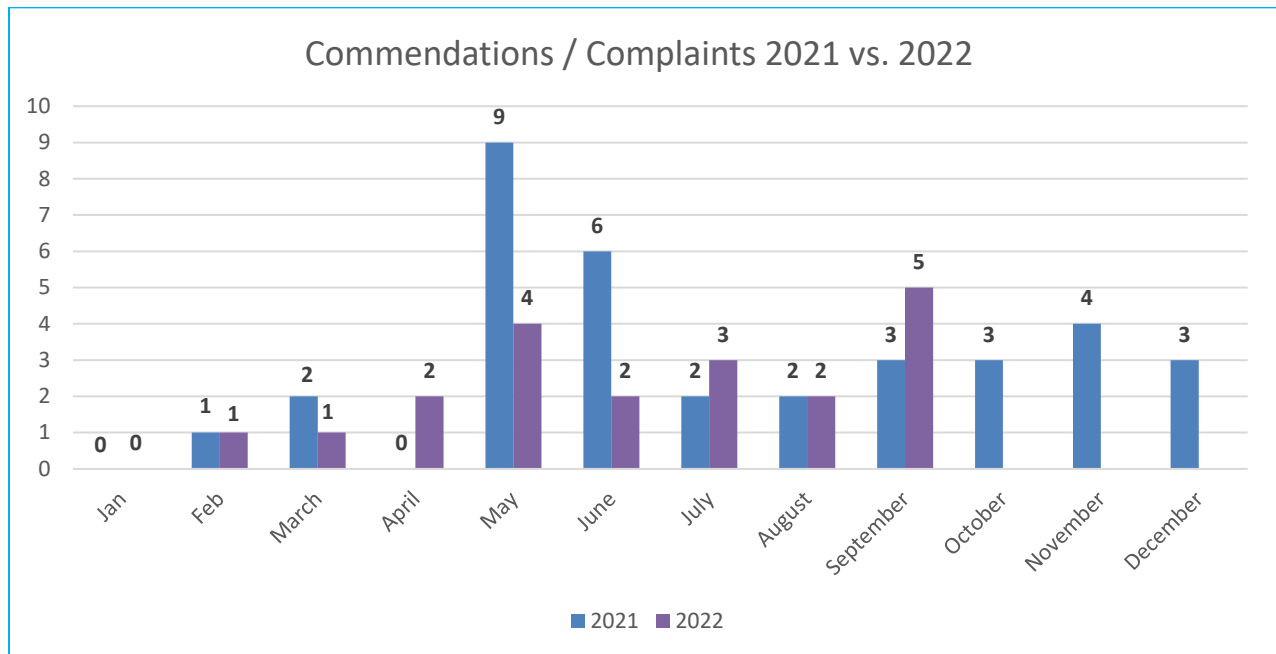
Complaints/Referrals/Contacts



Highlights:

In September, the Office of the Police Ombudsman (OPO) submitted 2 Complaints to Internal Affairs, 3 Commendations and 9 Referrals to various agencies. Highlights include:

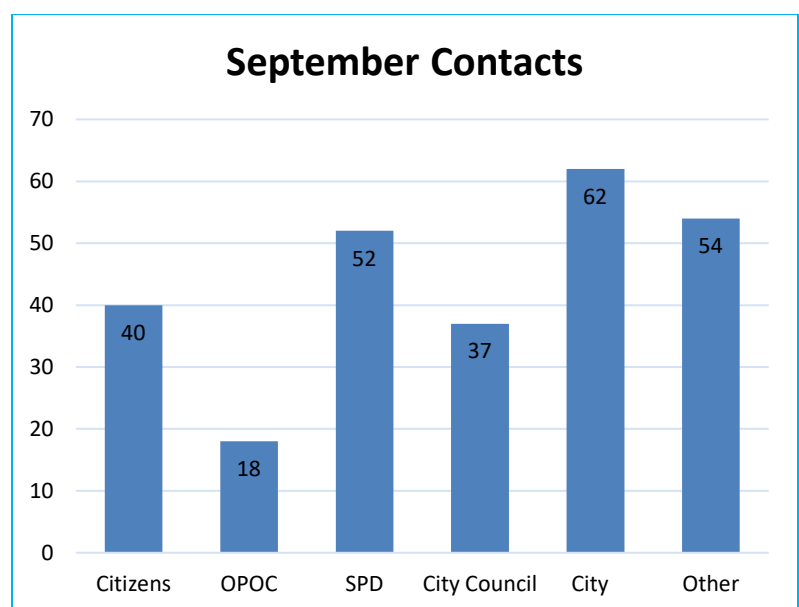
- OPO 22-19: A community member wanted to thank the SPD for providing transportation to the little girl with cancer who had been flown back to Spokane.
- OPO 22-20: A community member wanted to thank an officer for their help and great attitude after a vehicle accident. Even though the community member received a ticket for the accident, they thought the officer was great.
- OPO 22-21: A community member was frustrated that it took over 4 hours for officers to respond to threats of being shot.
- OPO 22-22: A community member was frustrated with an officer's response to a request for assistance on an alleged burglary.
- OPO 22-23: The Police Ombudsman submitted a commendation for an officer's efforts going above and beyond in conducting a thorough investigation prior to deciding whether or not a juvenile at a school incident should be charged with a felony. The officer's efforts were noted while reviewing BWC footage and other evidence for a separate concern.



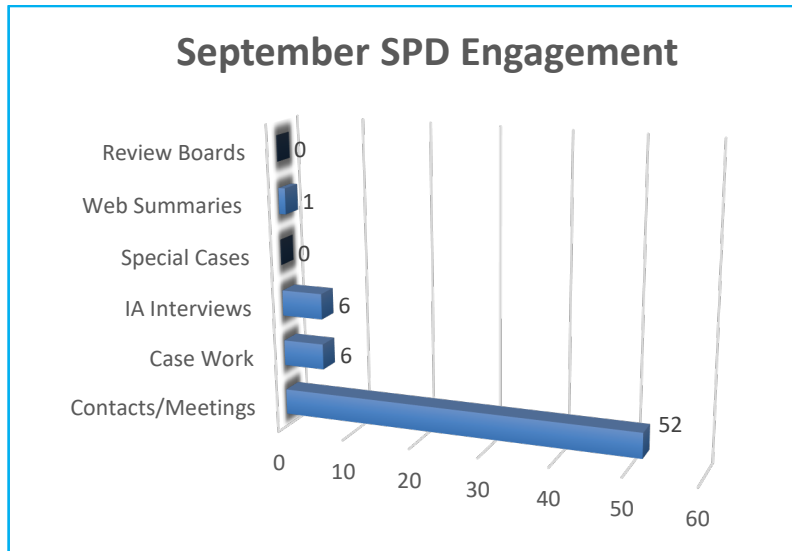
Contacts/Oversight:

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- 263 total contacts
- 23 OPO interviews were conducted
- 52 total SPD contacts
- 19 IA contacts



Oversight Activities



Case Work

5 – Cases certified

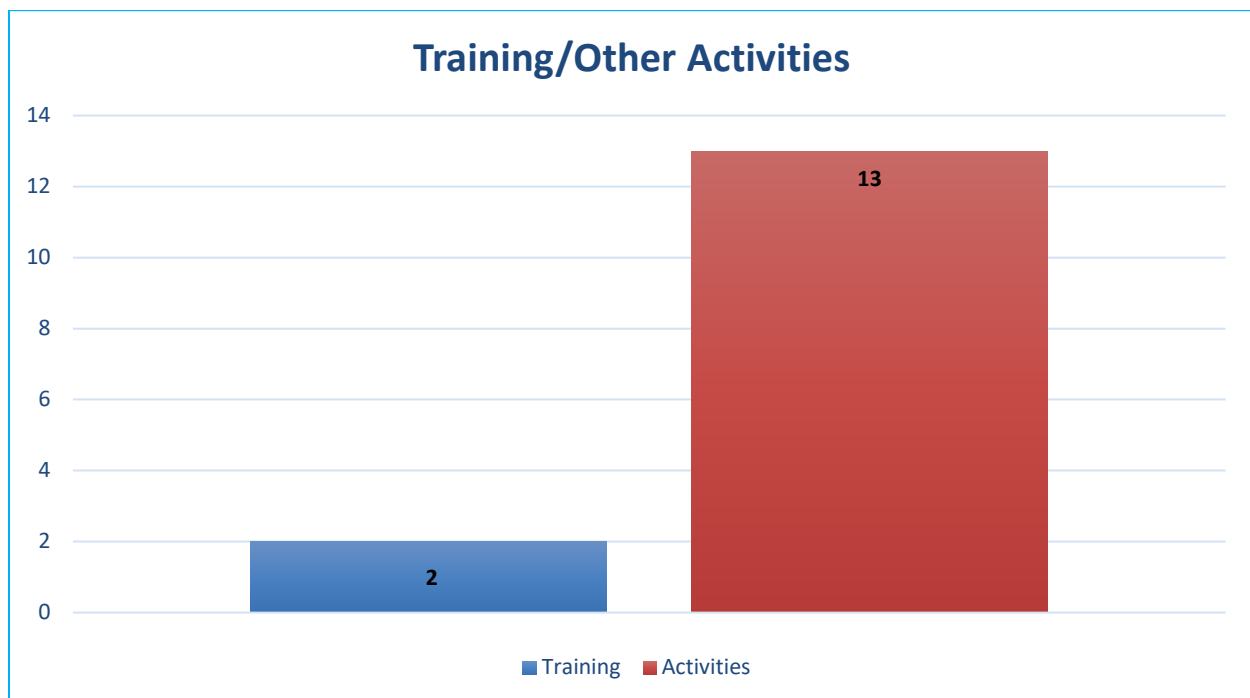
Special Cases

1 – Web Case was reviewed

Critical Incident

1 – OIS: 2900 E Wabash

Training/Other Activities



Highlights:

- Training – National Association of Civilians Over Law Enforcement (NACOLE) Annual Conference, United States Ombudsman Association (USOA) Annual Conference
- Legislative – WSCJTC Meeting, Officer Investigations and Discipline Bill meeting
- Other Community Meetings – Celebrate Recovery Events, Women’s Outreach Events, Leadership Spokane Board Meeting, Leadership Spokane Program Committee Sync Up, Office of Independent Investigations Meeting, Boy Scouts Fundraiser
- Oversight/Outreach – Independent Investigation, NACOLE – Internal Operations Committee, NACOLE – Member Advocacy and Support, NACOLE - 1st Amendment Presentation, NACOLE Board Meeting, Guild Negotiations Meetings, King County OLEO collaboration meeting, Olympia Police Auditor collaboration meeting, Meeting with Prosecutor’s office
- The Police Ombudsman was elected to the NACOLE Board of Directors during the NACOLE Annual Conference
- The Police Ombudsman was invited to and participated in several meetings regarding Police Guild negotiations with the City
- The OPO participated in a budget review / 2023 request meeting with the Mayor and the City Administrator

Upcoming:

- WSCJTC Meetings
- Ongoing Independent Investigation
- OPOC Retreat
- International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Annual Conference
- Further work on the OPO wall request
- Mediation for C22-035 / OPO 22-27

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/>