

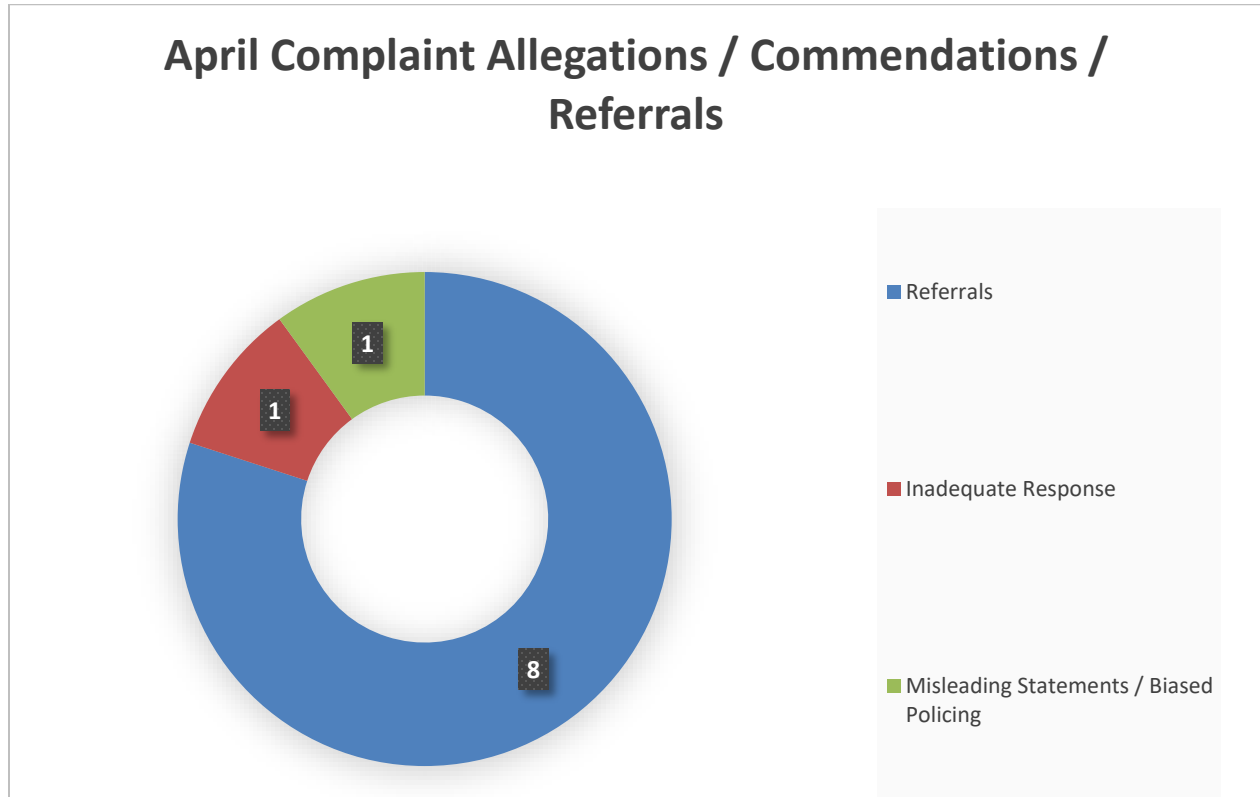


Office of the Police Ombudsman

Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report

Reporting Period: April 1 - 30, 2023

Complaints / Referrals / Contacts



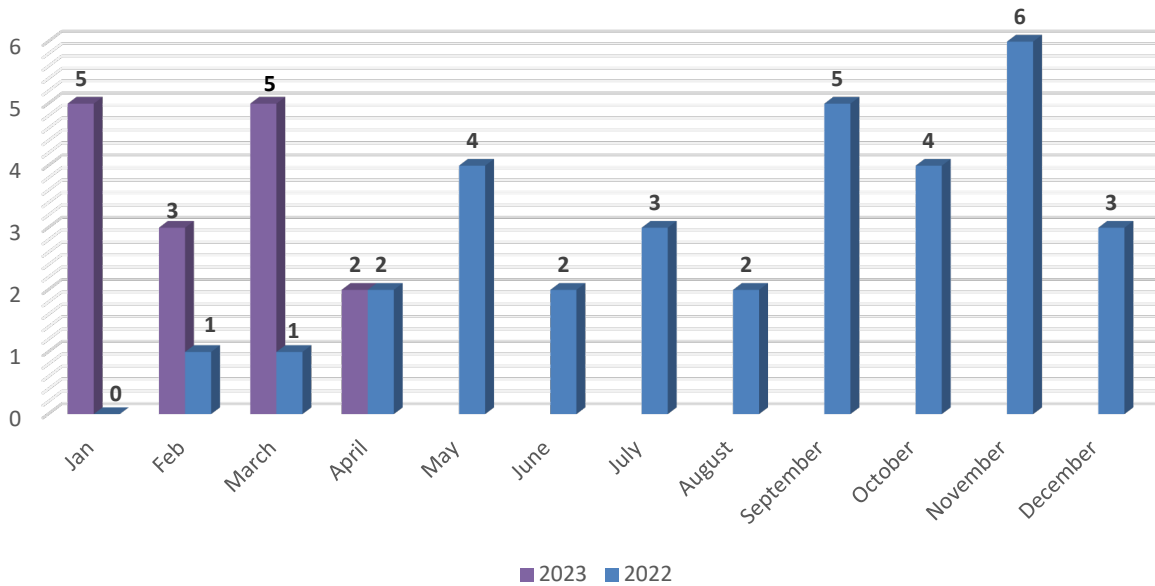
Highlights:

In April, the Office of the Police Ombudsman (OPO) submitted 2 complaints to Internal Affairs, and 8 referrals to various agencies.

Highlights include:

- OPO 23-21: A community member is concerned that an SPD Officer exhibited biased policing during protests.
- OPO 23-22: Multiple complainants have concerns regarding the SPD response to a child that was allegedly kidnapped from a day care.
- IR 23-10: A community member was frustrated that their police report regarding a theft had been closed and they had not been spoken to at all: SPD / IA
- IR 23-11: A community member was concerned about the police policy involving domestic violence and wondered if it was biased against men being the victim: SPD / IA

Complaints 2022 vs. 2023



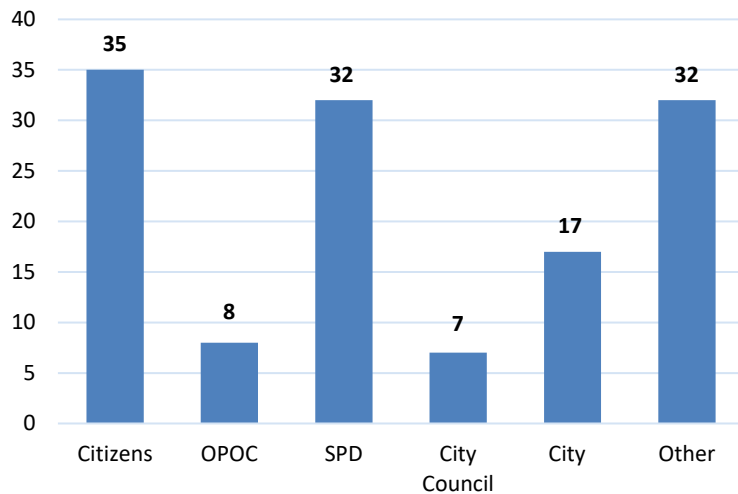
- The OPO has also submitted 6 commendations to SPD in 2023

Contacts / Oversight:

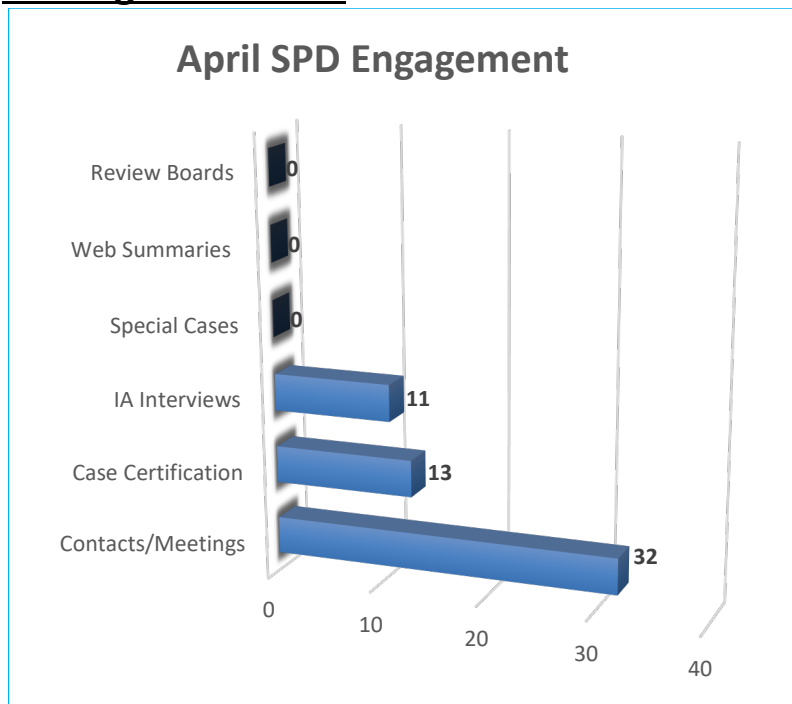
Contacts / Oversight

- 129 total contacts
- 9 OPO interviews were conducted
- 26 IA contacts
- 32 total SPD contacts

April Contacts



Oversight Activities



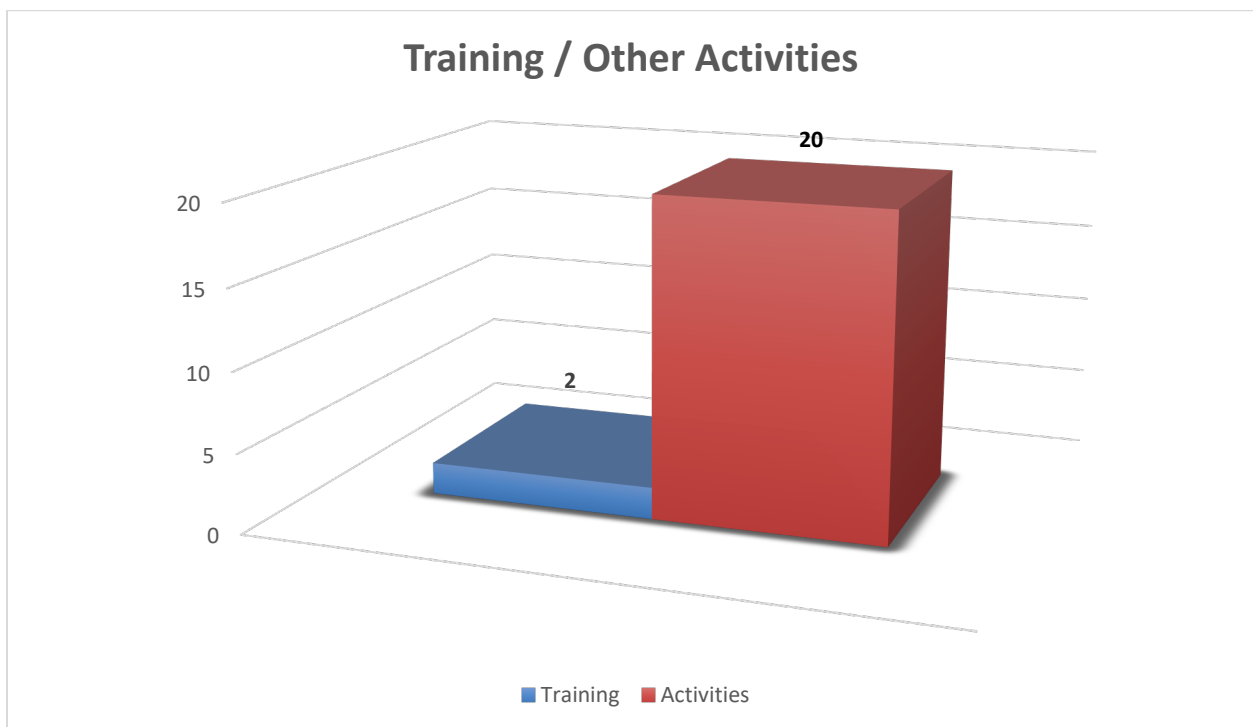
Case Work

12 – Cases certified
1 – Decline to certify – Improper Routing. SPD refused to send the case to the OPO for certification. Issue deferred to the City Administrator.
1 – Mediation conducted

Review Boards

There were no SPD Review Boards during the month of April.

Training / Other Activities



Highlights:

- Community Meetings / Events – OPOC Meeting, Leadership Retreat, Met with 2 candidates running for office, SCAR
- Other Meetings – PSCHC, Leadership Spokane Meeting, Leadership Spokane Summit, Celebrate Recovery, Women’s Outreach Event
- Oversight / Outreach – IA BiWeekly, WSCJTC Meeting, NACOLE Board Meetings, other NACOLE Meetings (2), Peer Review meeting with team NOLA, Member Support and Advocacy Committee Meeting, Presentation to United States Ombudsman Association – Public Safety Chapter, Pierce County Public Safety Council Meetings (2), Pierce County Public Safety Council Presentation
- Training – NACOLE Webinar: How the Police Became Untouchable, PRA University: Legal Update Webinar with the AGO

Upcoming:

- OPO / OPOC Annual Report
- WSCJTC Sub-Committee Meeting
- WSCJTC Committee Meeting
- Constitutional Policing Conference
- OPO, selected for presentation at NACOLE Annual Conference

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/>