

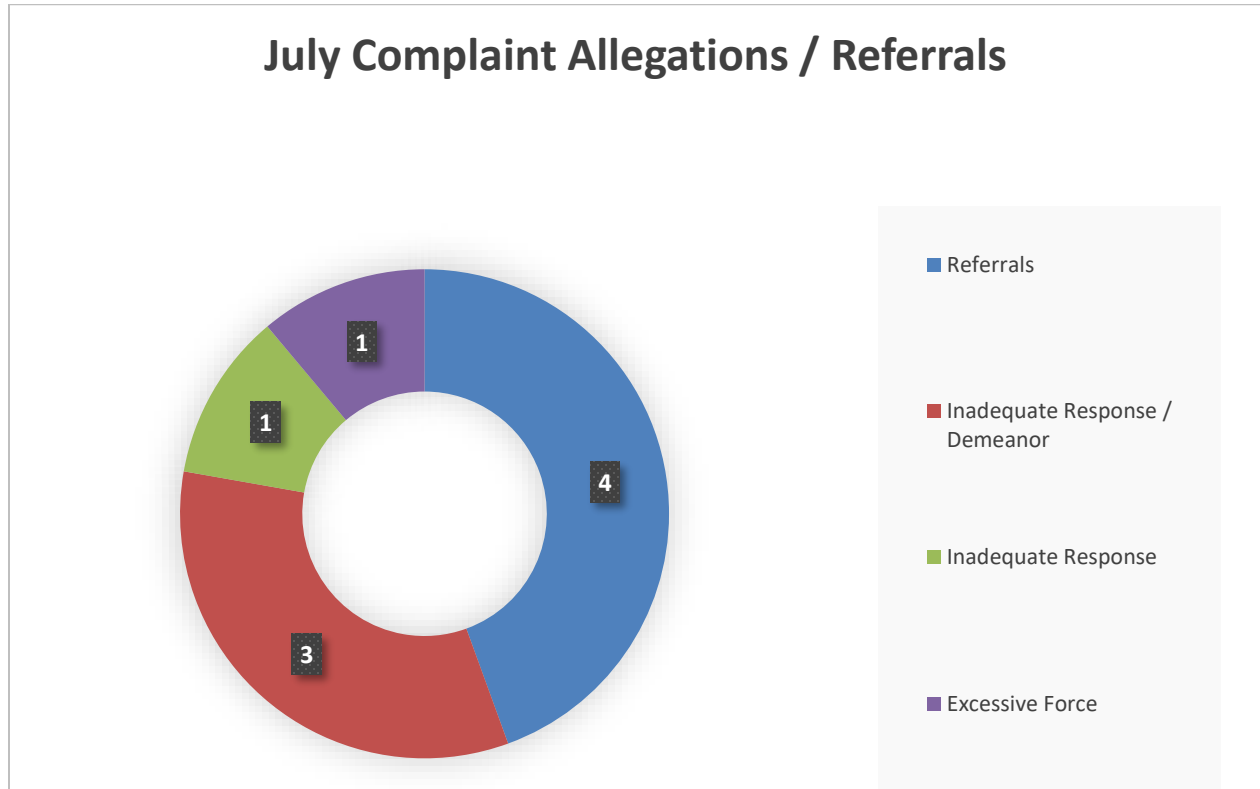


Office of the Police Ombudsman

Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report

Reporting Period: July 1 - 31, 2023

Complaints / Referrals / Contacts



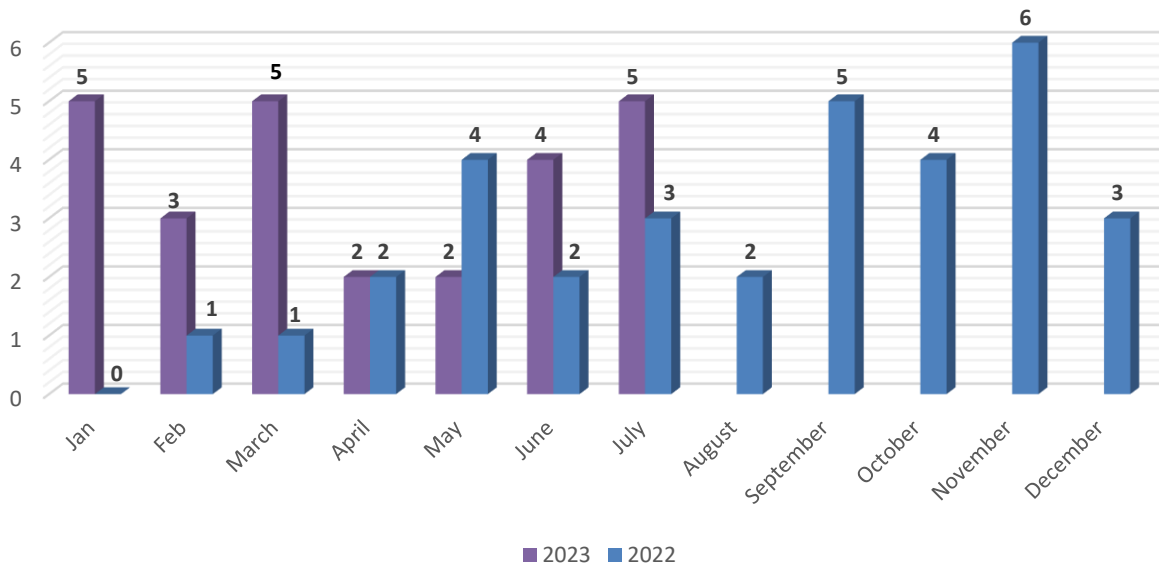
Highlights:

In July, the Office of the Police Ombudsman (OPO) submitted 5 complaints to Internal Affairs and 4 referrals to various agencies.

Highlights include:

- OPO 23-30: A community member was concerned about a lack of response to a nuisance property and that when officers did respond they were condescending and rude.
- OPO 23-31: A community member was frustrated that they were unable to obtain their property from SPD Property due to the time frame having lapsed. When they tried to explain the reason for being unable to pick up the property the officer lacked empathy.
- OPO 23-32: A community member was concerned that despite being told police went to a domestic violence situation, they did not believe there was a police response the address.
- OPO 23-34: A community member was concerned that during a DUI stop excessive force was used on them. The community member stated that this force led to a broken hand.

Complaints 2022 vs. 2023



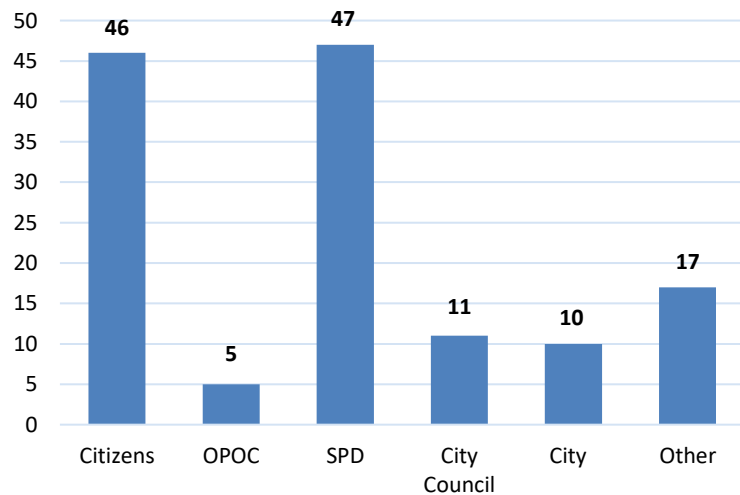
- The OPO has also submitted 8 commendations to SPD in 2023

Contacts / Oversight:

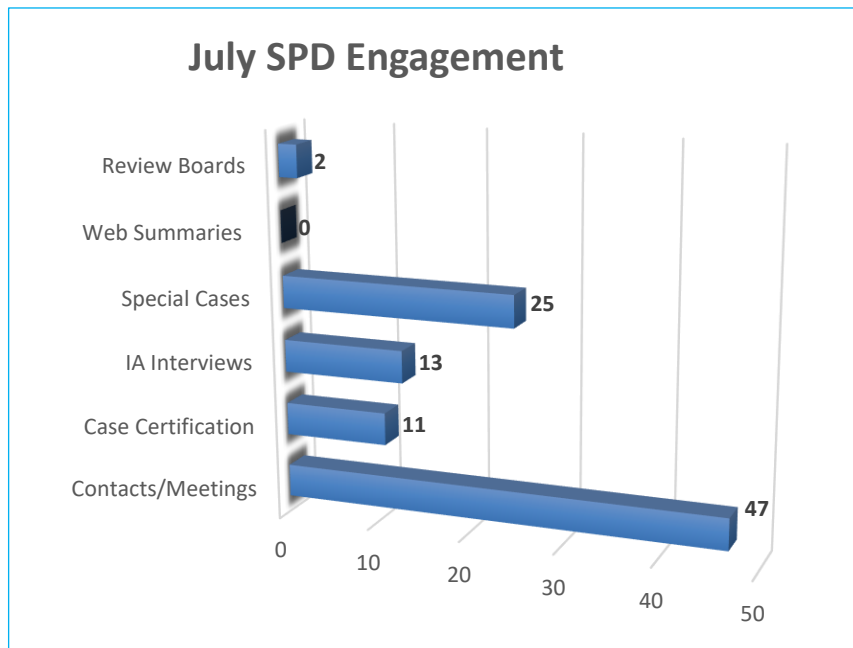
Contacts / Oversight

- 136 total contacts
- 12 OPO interviews were conducted
- 38 IA contacts
- 47 total SPD contacts

July Contacts



Oversight Activities



Case Work

11 – Cases certified

Special Cases

25 Cases Reviewed

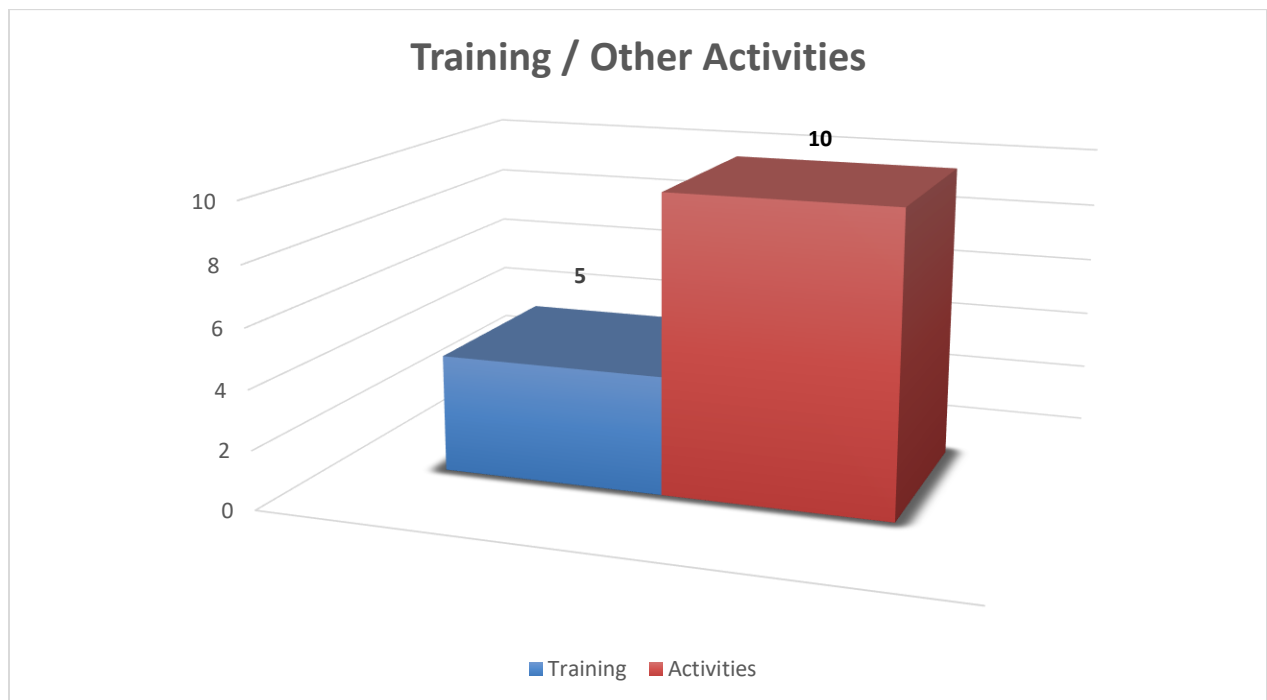
- UOF – 6
- K9 – 2
- Collision – 17
- Pursuit – 0

Review Boards

1 – Use of Force

1 – Collision / Pursuit

Training / Other Activities



Highlights:

- Community Meetings / Events – Spokane Human Rights Commission Presentation, Leadership Spokane – all class reunion, going away party for Council President Beggs and Legal Assistant Hannahlee Allers
- Oversight / Outreach – IA Bi-Weekly Meeting, NACOLE New Member Town Hall Meeting Presentation, 2 Peer Review meetings for NOLA, Virginia Alliance Chapter Proposal for NACOLE, 3 NACOLE Director of Training and Education interviews,
- Training – VRL Qualification Training, WSBA – Moving from Cultural Competence to Cultural Humility, NACOLE Jail and Prison Forum, WSBA – Cybersecurity and Law, PRA University – Searching for Responsive Records Training

Upcoming:

- Unity in the Community
- Labor Law and Arbitration Conference
- WSCJTC Committee Meeting
- 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/>