

2024/11

Public Safety & Community Health Committee

MONTHLY REPORT



OFFICE OF THE
POLICE OMBUDS
INDEPENDENT CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT

HIGHLIGHTS OF ACTIVITIES

Current	YTD	Contacts, Complaints, and Referrals
218	2950	Contacts*
8	131	OPO interviews
1	10	Letters of officer appreciation / commendations
1	41	OPO generated complaints
6	57	Referrals to other agencies / departments
0	0	Cases offered to SPD for mediation
0	0	Mediation completed

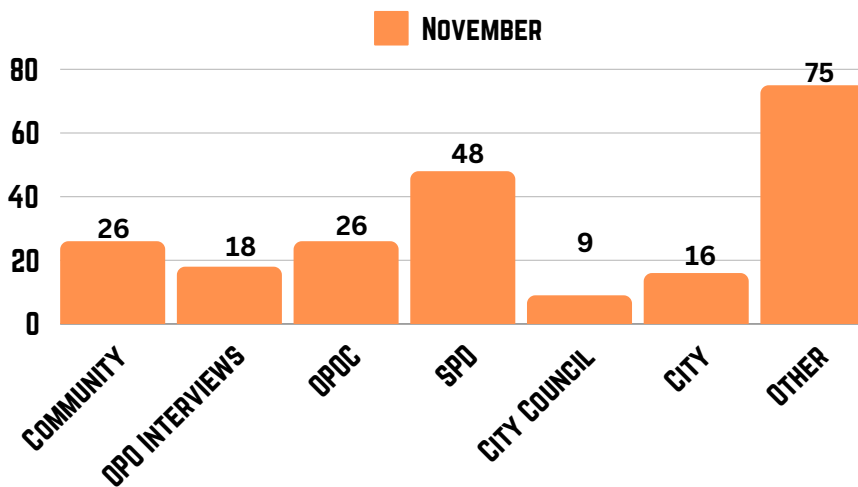
Current	YTD	IA Investigation Oversight
6	72	Cases certified
0	1	Cases returned for further investigation
0	1	Cases declined to certify
0	0	Web cases reviewed
5	94	Oversight of IA interviews

Current	YTD	Other Oversight Activities
29	186	Special cases reviewed*
2	18	SPD review boards / D-ARPs
51	538	Meetings with SPD
6	94	Oversight meetings
19	131	Community meetings
4	52	Training
0	5	Critical incidents

*Use of Force, K9, Collisions, and Pursuits

*Contacts include those made at conferences

CONTACTS



25 contacts at the NAACP Freedom Fund Gala 40 Oversight connections made at the USOA Annual Conference

Community meetings

- NAACP Freedom Fund Gala
- OPOC Monthly Meeting
- Public Health and Safety Committee meeting
- Volunteered at 4 different community service events

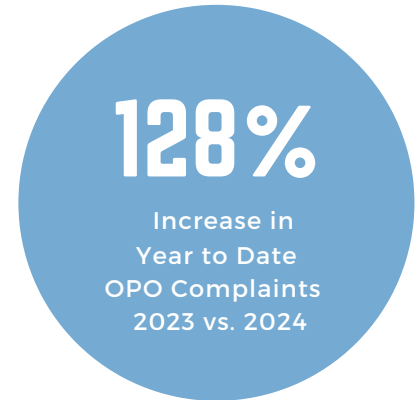
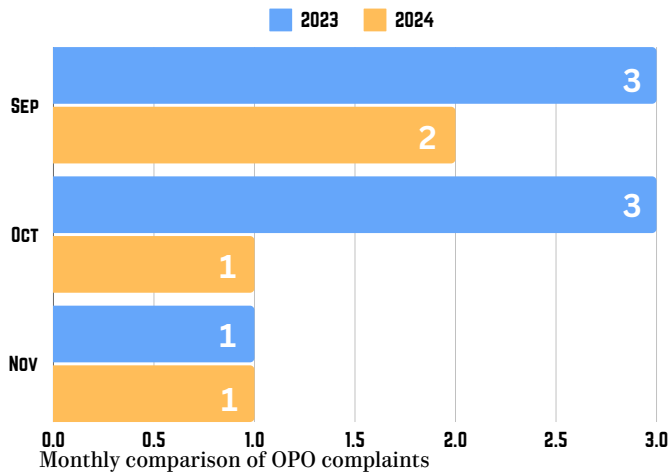
OPOC activities

- OPOC Monthly Meeting
- SPD Active Shooter Training
- Neighborhood Council
- NAACP Freedom Fund Gala

Oversight / Outreach

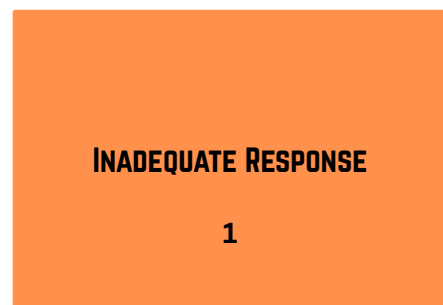
- NACOLE Executive Board / Committee meetings (3)
- Use of Force Review Board
- Collision / Pursuit Review Board
- Chula Vista Drone Program presentation

COMPLAINTS



Summary of complaint / commendation

OPO 24-48	A community member was frustrated with the double standard by SPD in their neighborhood. Their vehicle was ticketed but another vehicle that was in the same spot for longer did not.
OPO 24-50	Commendation - A community member was happy to see the prompt reply to a large fight that occurred in their neighborhood.



REFERRALS

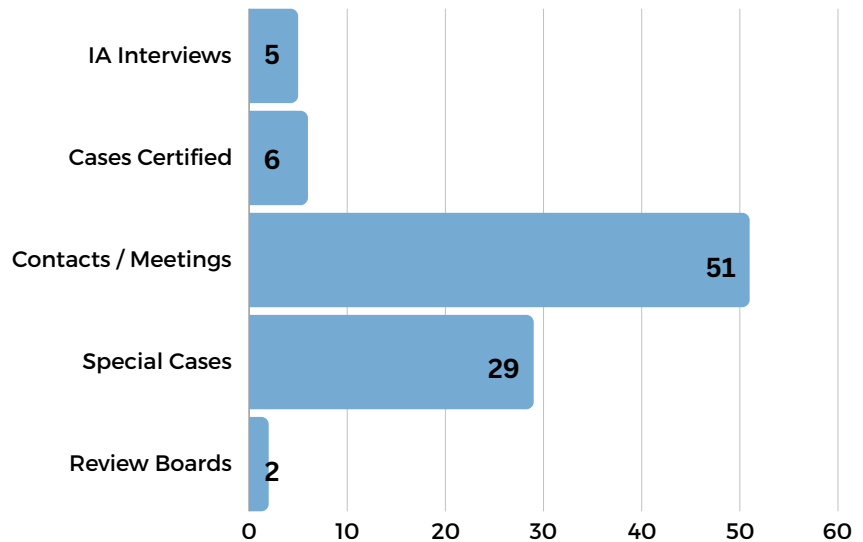
Type of Referral	#
Internal	3
External	3



Summary of referrals

IR 24-52	A community member was frustrated with the SPD Downtown precinct taking up all of the parking around that block instead of using the spots on Wall St. SPD/IA
IR 24-53	A community member had been trying to update a police report. SPD/IA
ER 24-54	A community member was frustrated that they were required to do a field sobriety test during a traffic stop. The community member disclosed their medical condition that caused the concern, and was still made to take the test. SCSO
ER 24-55	A community member believes that excessive force was used on them during an interaction with Spokane County Sheriffs Office. SCSO
ER 24-56	A community member called 911 for an emergent situation where a person was passed out behind the wheel of a vehicle with the engine running. They were told that they were too busy and no police were available. SREC
IR 24-57	A community member called 911 for an emergent situation where a person was passed out behind the wheel of a vehicle with the engine running. They were told that they were too busy and no police were available. SPD/IA

OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES



Training

- SPD Active Shooter In-Service
- COPA Citizen's Academy
- United States Ombudsman Association Annual Conference
- Office of Independent Investigation webinar

Upcoming

- Office of the Independent Police Monitor peer review
- OPO Ordinance / Budget / Office space requests
- Use of Force Summit
- WSCJTC Commission meeting

OPOC Meetings - In person: Every 3rd Tuesday @ 5:30pm in City Hall | Virtual: available
For more information visit: <https://my.spokanecity.org/opoc>