

2024/10

Public Safety & Community Health Committee

# MONTHLY REPORT



OFFICE OF THE  
POLICE OMBUDS  
INDEPENDENT CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT

# HIGHLIGHTS OF ACTIVITIES

Current	YTD	Contacts, Complaints, and Referrals
815	<b>2732</b>	Contacts*
7	<b>123</b>	OPO interviews
0	<b>9</b>	Letters of officer appreciation / commendations
1	<b>40</b>	OPO generated complaints
4	<b>51</b>	Referrals to other agencies / departments
0	<b>0</b>	Cases offered to SPD for mediation
0	<b>0</b>	Mediation completed

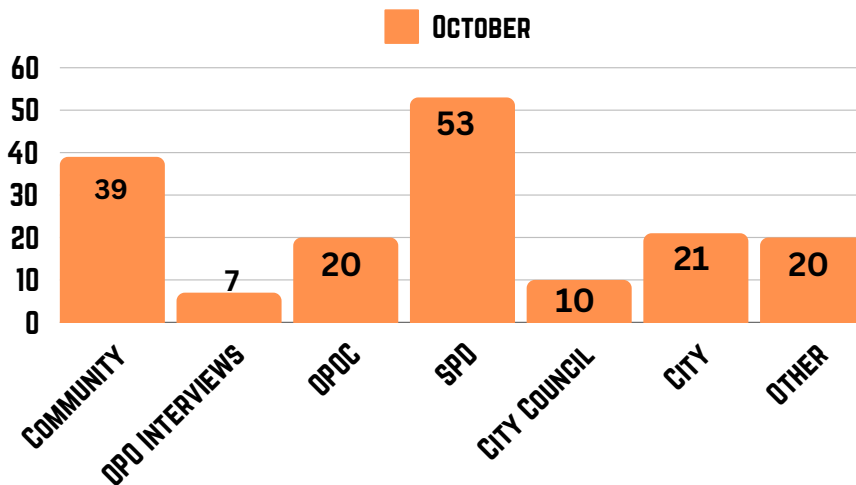
Current	YTD	IA Investigation Oversight
4	<b>66</b>	Cases certified
0	<b>1</b>	Cases returned for further investigation
0	<b>1</b>	Cases declined to certify
0	<b>0</b>	Web cases reviewed
9	<b>89</b>	Oversight of IA interviews

Current	YTD	Other Oversight Activities
0	<b>157</b>	Special cases reviewed*
0	<b>16</b>	SPD review boards / D-ARPs
53	<b>487</b>	Meetings with SPD
8	<b>88</b>	Oversight meetings
26	<b>112</b>	Community meetings
4	<b>48</b>	Training
0	<b>5</b>	Critical incidents

\*Use of Force, K9, Collisions, and Pursuits

\*Contacts include those made at conferences

# CONTACTS



645 Oversight connections made at the NACOLE and IACP Conferences and Harvard Workshop

## Community meetings

- Regional Economy Day Scavenger Mission at Avista Stadium
- Leadership Spokane Regional Economy Class Day at Spokane Valley Library
- Leadership Spokane Alumni Class event
- Public Health and Safety Committee meeting

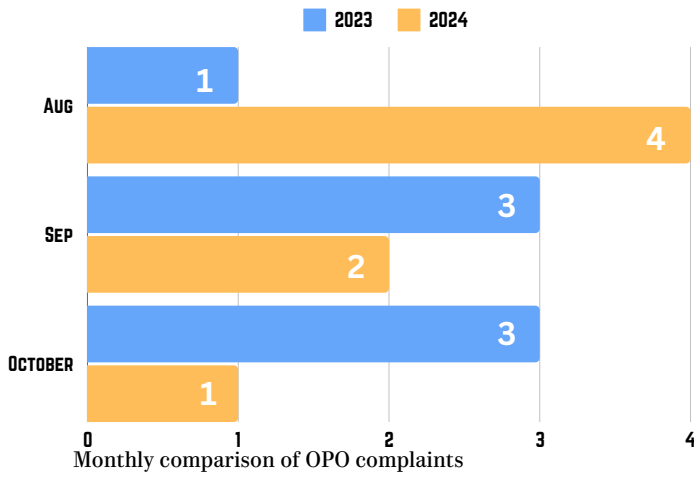
## OPOC meetings

- PAC Quarterly Meeting
- Office of Independent Investigations Meeting
- Community Connectors
- NAACP candidate forum
- NEYFS - Harvest on the Block

## Oversight / Outreach

- NACOLE Executive Board / Committee meetings (2)
- NACOLE Meet the Candidates townhall
- NACOLE candidate forum
- NACOLE panel presenter - Empowering POST Boards to Bolster State - Level Oversight

# COMPLAINTS



**112%**  
 Increase in  
 Year to Date  
 OPO Complaints  
 2023 vs. 2024

## Summary of complaint

<b>OPO 24-47</b>	A community member stated that they were arrested for DUI, while he was walking. Additionally, they had concerns regarding his towed vehicle.
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**7**  
 Community Member  
 Interviews  
 Conducted

**POLICY VIOLATION**  
 1

# REFERRALS

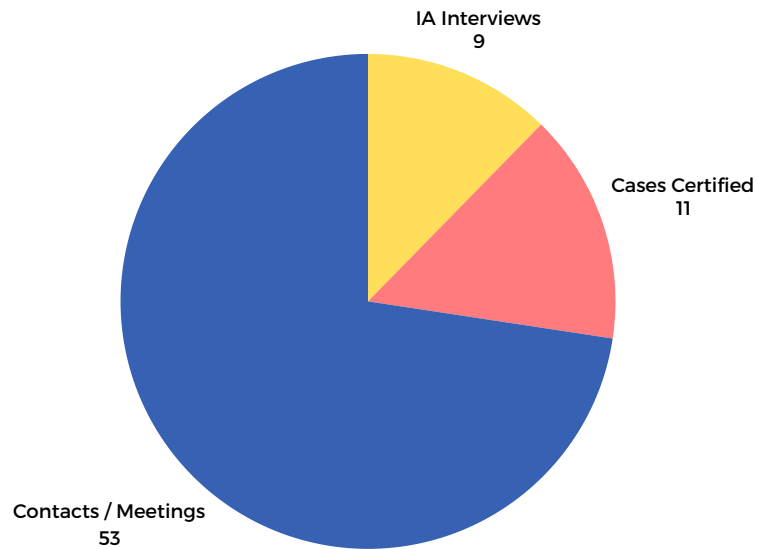
Type of Referral	#
Internal	3
External	1



## Summary of referrals

ER 24-48	A community member was frustrated with the lack of response by the Spokane County Sheriffs Office regarding the unhoused and a drug dealer in their neighborhood. SCSO
IR 24-49	A community member alleged that an officer did not return their drivers license after a traffic stop. SPD/IA
IR 24-50	A community member stated that an officer made assumptions and false statements about political canvassing in neighborhoods. The community member did not want to file an official complaint on the matter. SPD/IA
IR 24-51	A community member wanted an update on what is going on with an investigation into a local chop shop that had their motorcycle. SPD/IA

## OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES



## Training

- NACOLE Annual Conference
- IACP Annual Conference
- Harvard Kennedy Public Safety and Police Accountability Executive Workshop
- COPA Citizen's Academy

## Upcoming

- Office of the Independent Police Monitor peer review
- OPO Ordinance / Budget / Office space requests
- USOA Annual Conference
- Chula Vista PD drone program meeting
- 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>