

2025 / JAN

Public Safety & Community Health Committee

# MONTHLY REPORT



OFFICE OF THE  
POLICE OMBUDS  
INDEPENDENT CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT

# HIGHLIGHTS OF ACTIVITIES

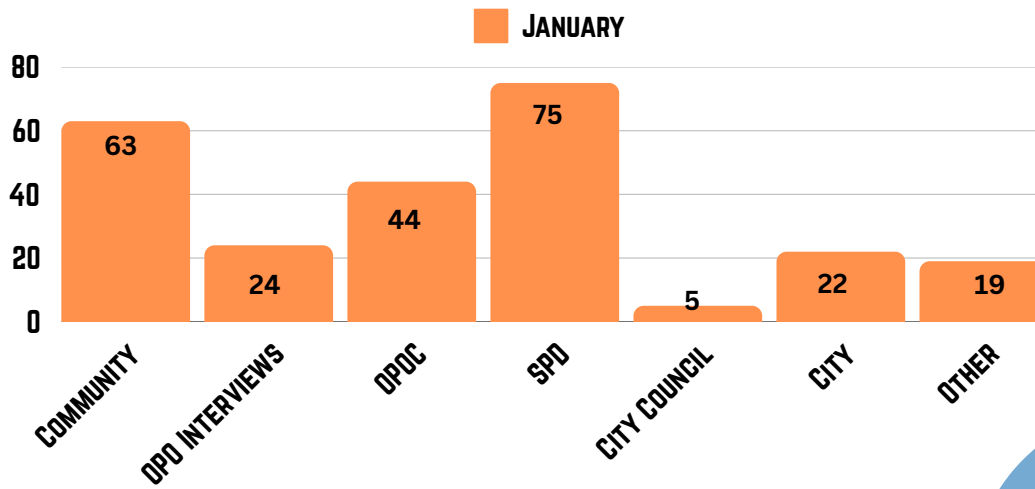
Current	YTD	Contacts, Complaints, and Referrals
228	<b>228</b>	Contacts
24	<b>24</b>	OPO interviews
1	<b>1</b>	Letters of officer appreciation / commendations
7	<b>7</b>	OPO generated complaints
6	<b>6</b>	Referrals to other agencies / departments
0	<b>0</b>	Cases offered to SPD for mediation
0	<b>0</b>	Mediation completed

Current	YTD	IA Investigation Oversight
8	<b>8</b>	Cases certified
0	<b>0</b>	Cases returned for further investigation
0	<b>0</b>	Cases declined to certify
0	<b>0</b>	Web cases reviewed
12	<b>12</b>	Oversight of IA interviews

Current	YTD	Other Oversight Activities
31	<b>31</b>	Special cases reviewed*
3	<b>3</b>	SPD review boards / D-ARPs
75	<b>75</b>	Meetings with SPD
6	<b>6</b>	Oversight meetings
18	<b>18</b>	Community meetings
2	<b>2</b>	Training
1	<b>1</b>	Critical incidents

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

# CONTACTS



228

Total Contacts

## Community meetings

- OPOC Meeting
- Youth Leadership Spokane Arts Day

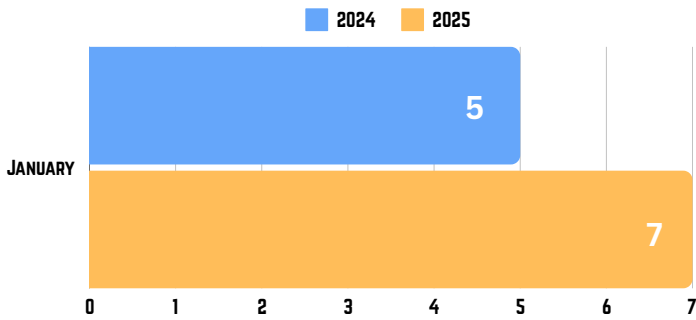
## OPOC activities

- OPOC Monthly meeting
- SPD ride along
- Neighborhood Council
- Martin Luther King Jr. March

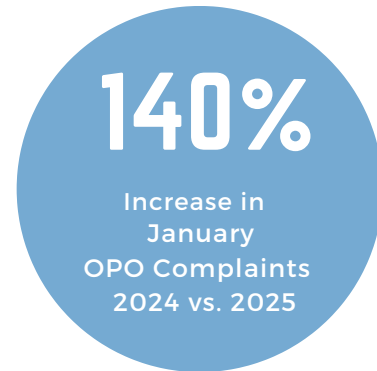
## Oversight / Outreach

- NACOLE Executive Board / Committee meetings (2)
- D-ARP
- IA Biweekly meeting
- WSCJTC prehearing meeting

# COMPLAINTS



Monthly comparison of OPO complaints



## Summary of complaints

<b>OPO 25-01</b>	<b>A community member was frustrated that responding SPD officers did not charge the people responsible for assaulting them.</b>
<b>OPO 25-03</b>	<b>A community member believes that they are being harassed by SPD officers in their area due to the numerous times they have been pulled over and cited for erroneous things.</b>
<b>OPO 25-05</b>	<b>A community member alleged that an SPD detective released information regarding the case involving their child to uninvolved parties.</b>
<b>OPO 25-06</b>	<b>A community member stated that SPD officers used force on them and removed their animals from their care without their consent, in a case of mistaken identity.</b>
<b>OPO 25-07</b>	<b>Multiple witnesses were concerned with the actions of responding SPD officers to a community member during a City Council meeting.</b>
<b>OPO 25-08</b>	<b>A community member stated that they were falsely arrested after reviewing body worn camera footage and hearing the officer state that he had no reason to keep him.</b>
<b>OPO 25-09</b>	<b>A community member was frustrated how their mental health detainment was conducted.</b>

## COMMENDATIONS

OPO 25-04	<b>A OPOC commissioner sent a letter of appreciation to an officer for their ride-along</b>
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Type of Referral	#
Internal	4
External	2

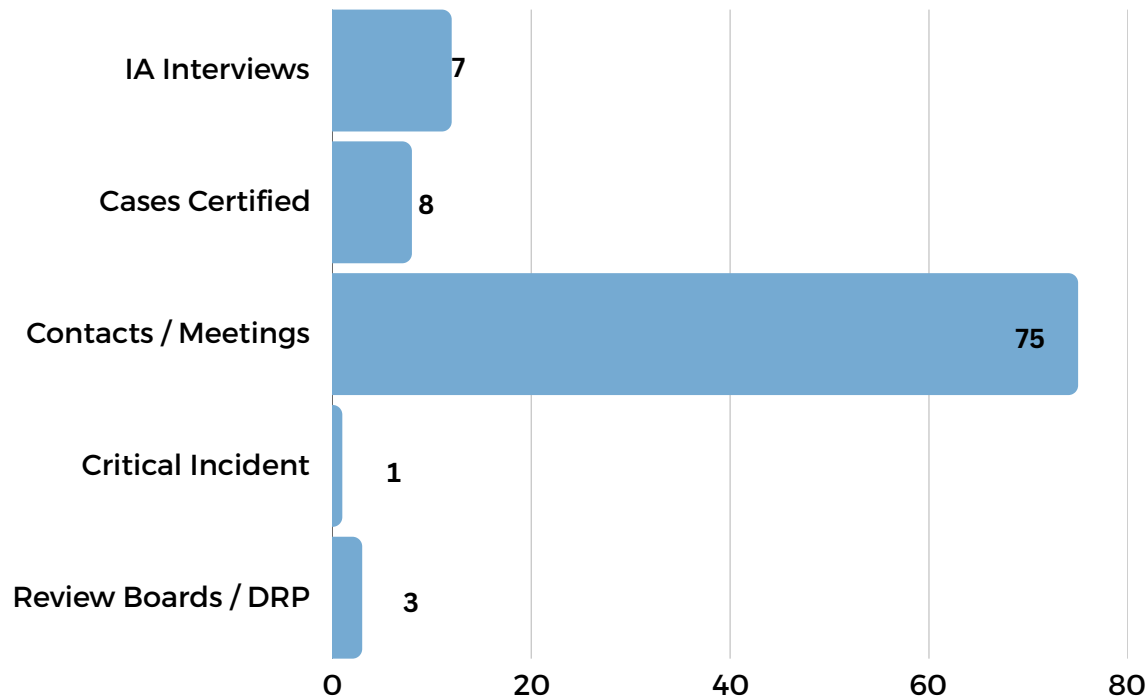


## REFERRALS

### Summary of referrals

IR 25-01	<b>A community member wanted to speak with an SPD supervisor to have a detective removed from their case. SPD/IA</b>
IR 25-02	<b>A community member wanted to speak with an officer regarding a case involving their child. SPD/IA</b>
IR 25-03	<b>A community member was frustrated that they received a bill when they contacted the SPD for assistance. SPD/IA</b>
ER 25-04	<b>A community member stated that they were made to sit unclothed in the county jail for 15 hours. Department of Corrections</b>
ER 25-05	<b>A community member stated that Code Enforcement officers have been spreading false information about them which led to their arrest. Code Enforcement</b>
IR 25-11	<b>A community member is frustrated that SPD does not ticket the numerous vehicles in the city that are not currently registered.</b>

## OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES



### Critical Incident

- 1/24/2025
  - 200 Block of East Sanson Avenue

### Training

- Axon Standards training
- CJIS Training

### Upcoming

- Analyst Position
- Certified Mediation Training
- WSCJTC Commission meeting
- OPO / OPOC Annual Reports

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