

APRIL / 2026



Public Safety & Community
Health Committee

Monthly Report

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CITY OF SPOKANE
OFFICE OF THE
POLICE OMBUDS

Highlights of activities

CURRENT	YTD	CONTACTS, COMPLAINTS, AND REFERRALS
225	939	Contacts
17	64	OPO interviews
1	3	Letters of officer appreciation / commendations
9	27*	OPO generated complaints
1	26	Referrals to other agencies / departments
0	0	Cases offered to SPD for mediation
0	0	Mediations completed

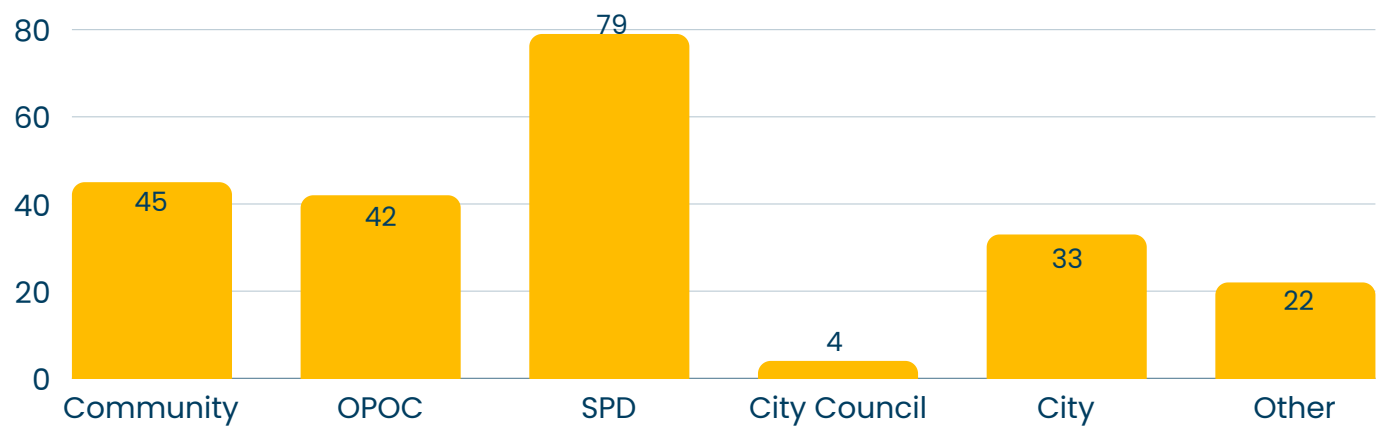
CURRENT	YTD	IA INVESTIGATION OVERSIGHT
11	37	Cases certified
2	4	Cases returned for further investigation
0	2	Cases declined to certify
11	36	Web cases reviewed
3	53	Oversight of IA interviews

CURRENT	YTD	OTHER OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES
24	60	Special cases reviewed*
2	6	SPD review boards / D-ARPs
79	336	Meetings with SPD
10	44	Oversight meetings
13	66	Community meetings
4	17	Training
0	1	Critical incidents

*Use of Force, K9, Collisions, Pursuits, and Administrative Review

*Includes a referral that was updated to a complaint in March

Contacts



COMMUNITY MEETINGS

- OPOC MEETING
- OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS (11)
- COURAGEOUS CONVERSATIONS: THE OTHER SIDE OF THE BADGE – PANELIST

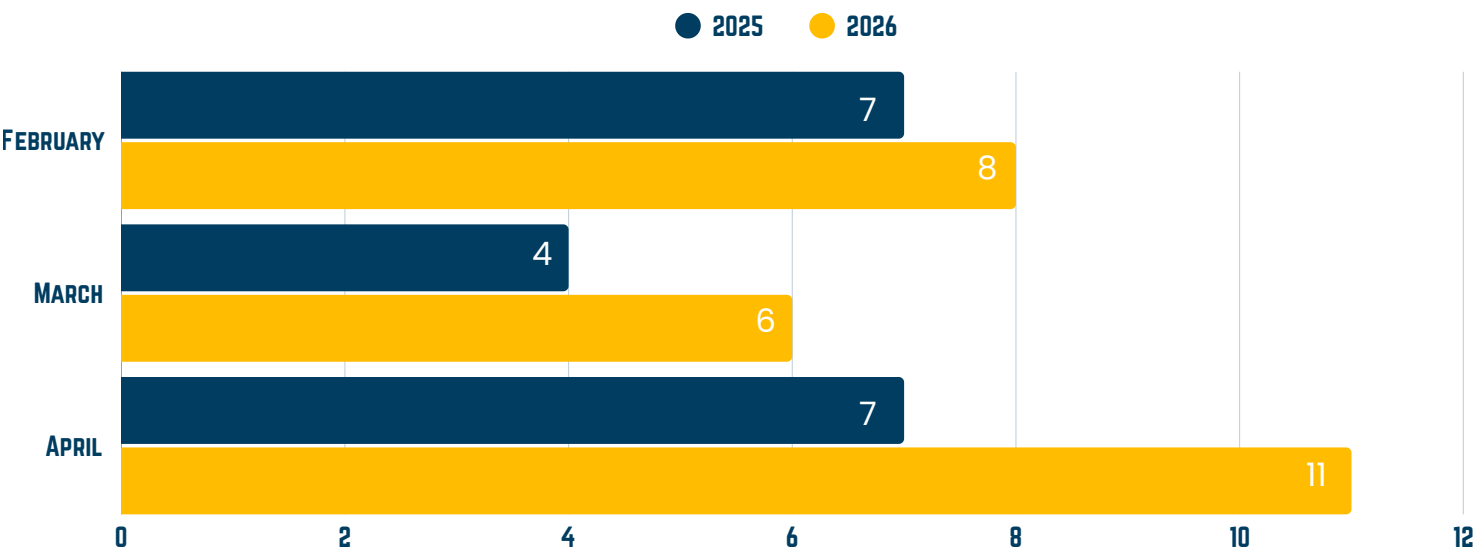
OPOC ACTIVITES

- DEPUTY POLICE OMBUDS HIRING PANELS (2)
- NAACP MEETING
- RIDE ALONG WITH SPD
- LEADERSHIP SPOKANE ACTIVITIES
- OPOC MEETING
- COURAGEOUS CONVERSATIONS : THE OTHER SIDE OF THE BADGE

OVERSIGHT / OUTREACH

- DEPUTY POLICE OMBUDS HIRING PANELS (2)
- MEETING WITH CHIEF HALL
- SPD USE OF FORCE REVIEW BOARD
- SPD COLLISION AND PURSUIT REVIEW BOARD
- NACOLE BOARD / EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS
- NACOLE FINANCE / ELECTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Complaints



Monthly comparison of OPO complaints

Summary of Complaints

OPO 26-19	A community member stated that they have been harrassed by the same SPD officers continously for the past few months.
OPO 26-20	A community member stated that SPD officers had probable cause to arrest a person for violating a no contact order, but the officer chose not to.
OPO 26-21	A community member was frustrated that the officer who responded to their call for assistance was demeaning and made them feel guilty for asking for help.
OPO 26-22	A community member was frustrated that the police report created after their assault is filled with inaccuracies and their assailant was not charged with a crime.
OPO 26-23	A community member complained that the officer who responded to their assault disrespected their character and refused to take a report on the assault.
OPO 26-24	A community member was frustrated with the lack of investigation on their child’s assault by a teacher.

Complaints cont.

OPO 26-25	An SPD officer has concerns about bias and potential retaliation by their supervisor
OPO 26-26	The Public Defenders Office had concerns regarding potential Brady violations.
OPO 26-27	A community member was frustrated with the demeanor of the officer who served them with a notice to appear in court.

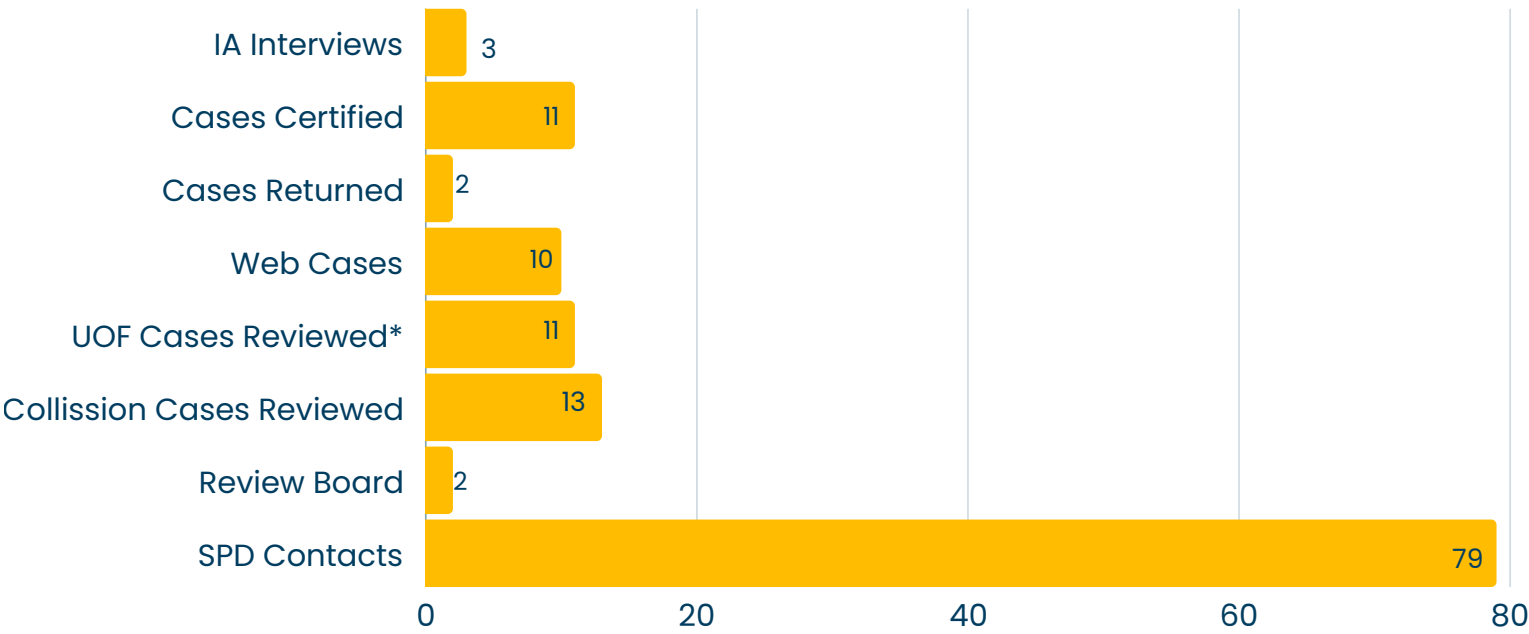
Type of Referral	#
Internal	1
External	0



SUMMARY OF REFERRALS

IR 26-26	A community member is frustrated with the lack of response regarding their neighbor making drugs; SPD / IA
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Oversight Activities



TRAINING

- APRIL SAFETY SPOTLIGHT (2)
- CORE LEADERSHIP TRAINING
- NACOLE WEBINAR – LIES, DAMNED LIES & STATISTICS: HOW YOU MAY BE MISLED WITH STATISTICS AND FLAWED RESEARCH

UPCOMING

- OPOC RETREAT
- JUNE 11TH PROTEST CLOSING REPORT
- OPO ANNUAL REPORT
- OPOC ANNUAL REPORT

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

*UOF: Use of Force