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THE HANFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

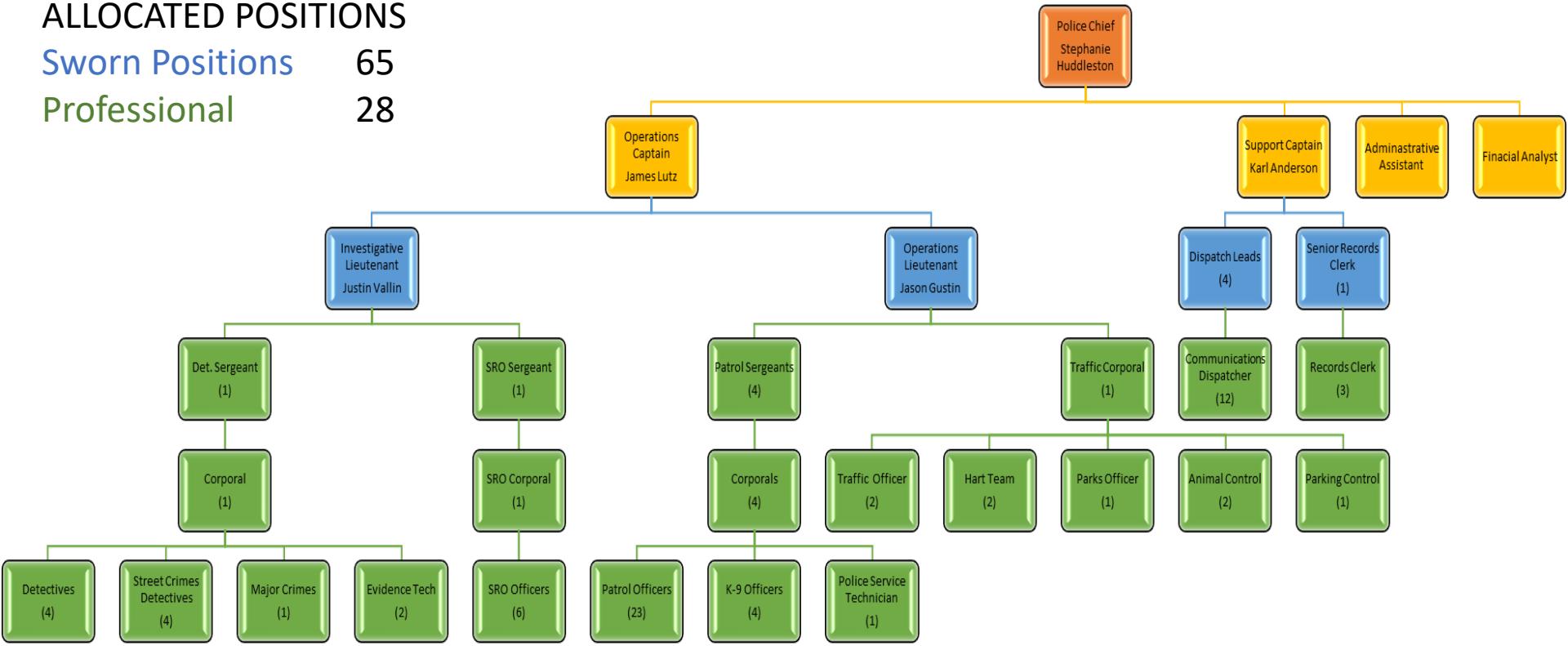
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ALLOCATED POSITIONS

Sworn Positions 65
Professional 28



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Mission of the Hanford Police Department

VALUE STATEMENT

The Hanford Police Department will support a policing philosophy that promotes organizational strategies to address the causes and reduce the fear of crime and social disorder through problem-solving tactics and community police partnerships.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Hanford Police Department is committed to providing proactive, professional and courteous law enforcement services to our community.

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PROACTIVE: Deterring criminal activity through police presence: traffic stops, ped contacts, area checks, vehicle checks, premise checks

Prevents crime from occurring

VS.

REACTIVE: Respond to calls, react to crimes: Respond to emergency and non-emergency calls

Respond after crime has occurred and been reported

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Operations Division

Largest

- Patrol, Traffic Unit, K-9, Detectives, HART, Parks, SRO, SWAT.
- Captain, (2)Lieutenant,(6)Sergeants, (7)Corporals, (4)K9 Officers, (23)Patrol Officers,(6)SRO's and (2)Traffic Officers.

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Patrol

Sergeants(4), Corporals(4), K9 Officers(4) and Patrol Officers(23)

- **Only ones who Respond to all calls for service**
- Split up into 4 twelve-hour patrol shifts.
- Sergeant, Corporal, K9 officer, and 5-6 officers.
 - Minimum staffing is 5 From 1100 hrs-0300 hrs
 - Minimum Staffing is 4 from 0300 hrs-1100 hrs

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2023 Patrol Stats

- 46,975 Calls for service
- 15,277 OFFICER INITIATED INCIDENTS
- 6,260 TRAFFIC STOPS
- 5,761 REPORTS
- 3,371 TRAFFIC CITATIONS
- 1,008 WARNING CITATIONS

Daily Officer averages 13 calls for service, conducts 4 Officer Initiated Contacts, and makes 2 Traffic Stops

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WHAT A YEAR LOOKS LIKE FOR THE CITIZENS OF HANFORD 2023- Calls for Service

3,211	911 Unknown	3,170	Speak with officers
2,736	Hangup	2,265	Follow-Up requested
227	Assaults	2,239	Burglar Alarm
198	Shots Fired	908	Theft-Related
170	Physical Fight	362	Vehicle/Residential Burglaries
155	5150	1,068	Suspicious Circ/Vehicle
287	Spousal Abuse	386	Harassment
177	DUI Drivers	390	Vandalism
2,599	Disturbance's	380	Reckless Vehicle
1,632	Check the welfare	380	Trespassing calls
67	Child abuse/molestation	273	Fireworks
34	Rape calls	254	Runaway/Missing Juvenile
30	Deceased individuals	237	Violations of court orders
36	Subject with a gun	144	Drunk in public
25	Robbery	90	Indecent exposure calls
20	Subject Shot	2,888	Animal Control
2,038	Suspicious/Unwanted person	1,373	Traffic Accidents (All types)
1,605	Homeless/Vagrant problem	285	Stolen vehicle

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Total Officer Time on a Common Priority 1 Call

Response Time:	8 minutes
Time on Call:	60 minutes
Booking:	45 minutes
Report Writing:	60 minutes
Booking Evidence:	30 minutes
<u>State Reporting:</u>	<u>10 minutes</u>

Total Time: 3.5 hours

*Example Domestic Violence, 2 parties involved, suspect arrested

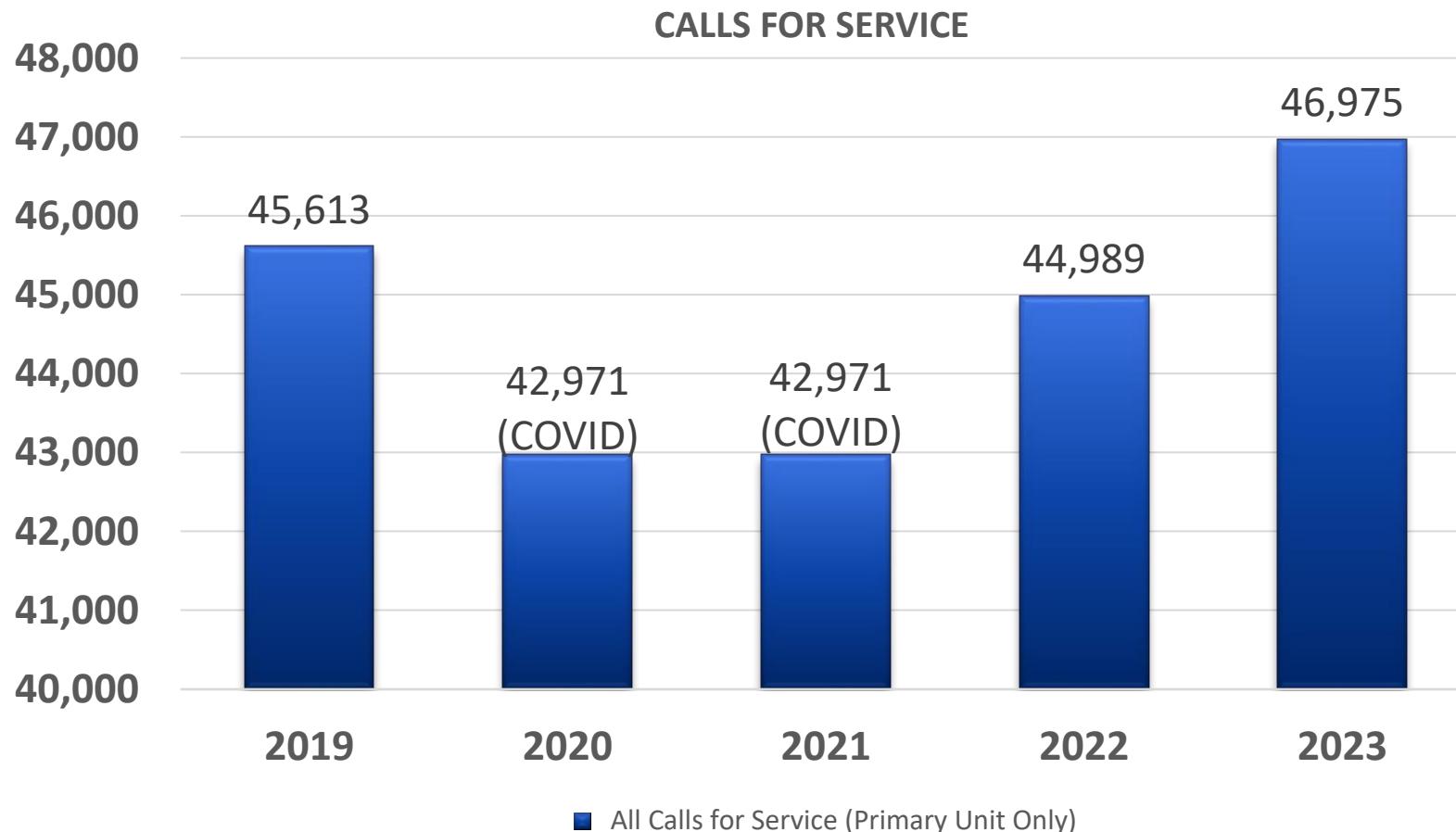
State Mandates= increase in Officer time spent on calls

RIPA- (Racial and Identity Profiling Act): Report demographics, actions, disposition on most contacts (traffic/peds)

CIBR/NIBRS- Reporting of crimes to state

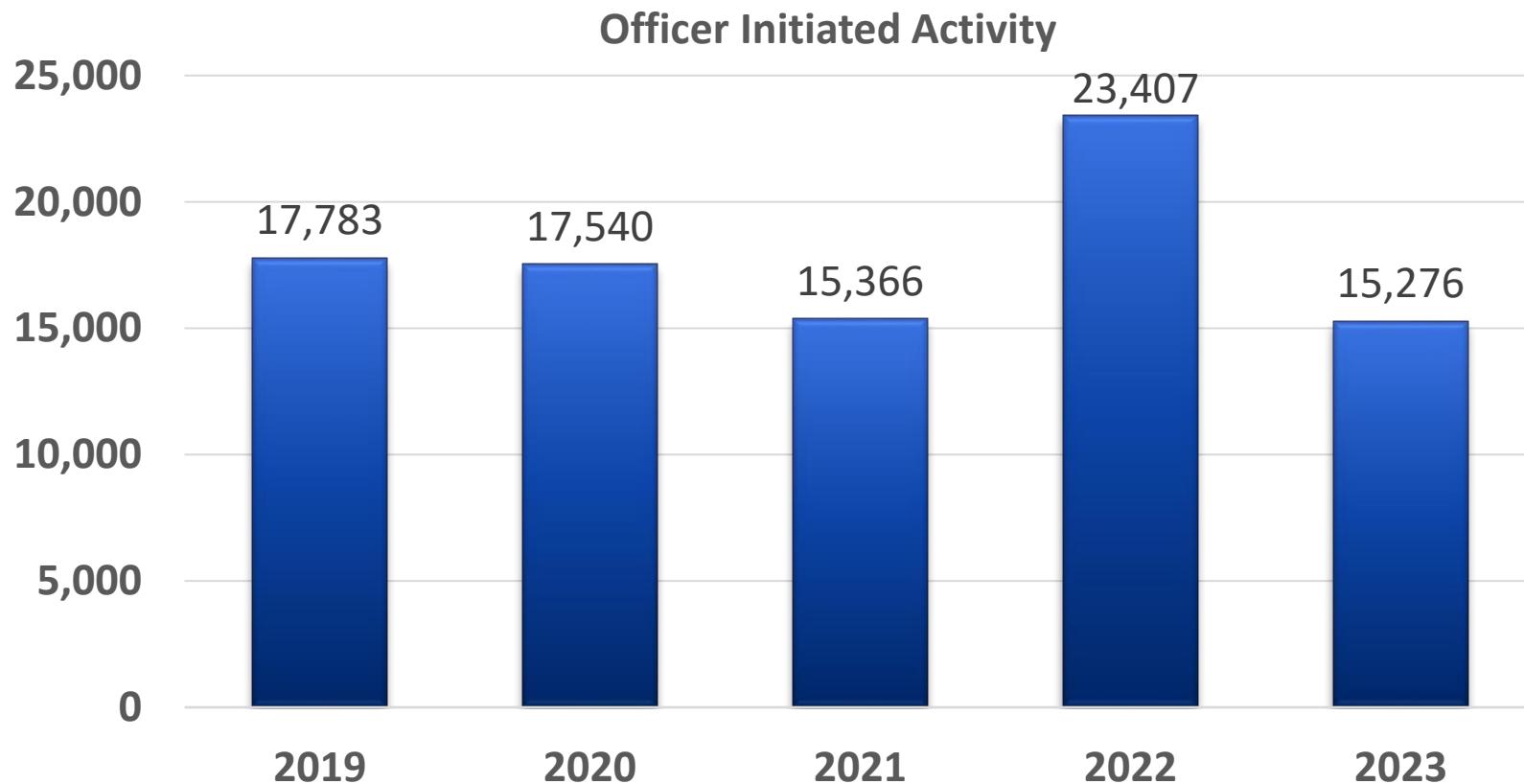
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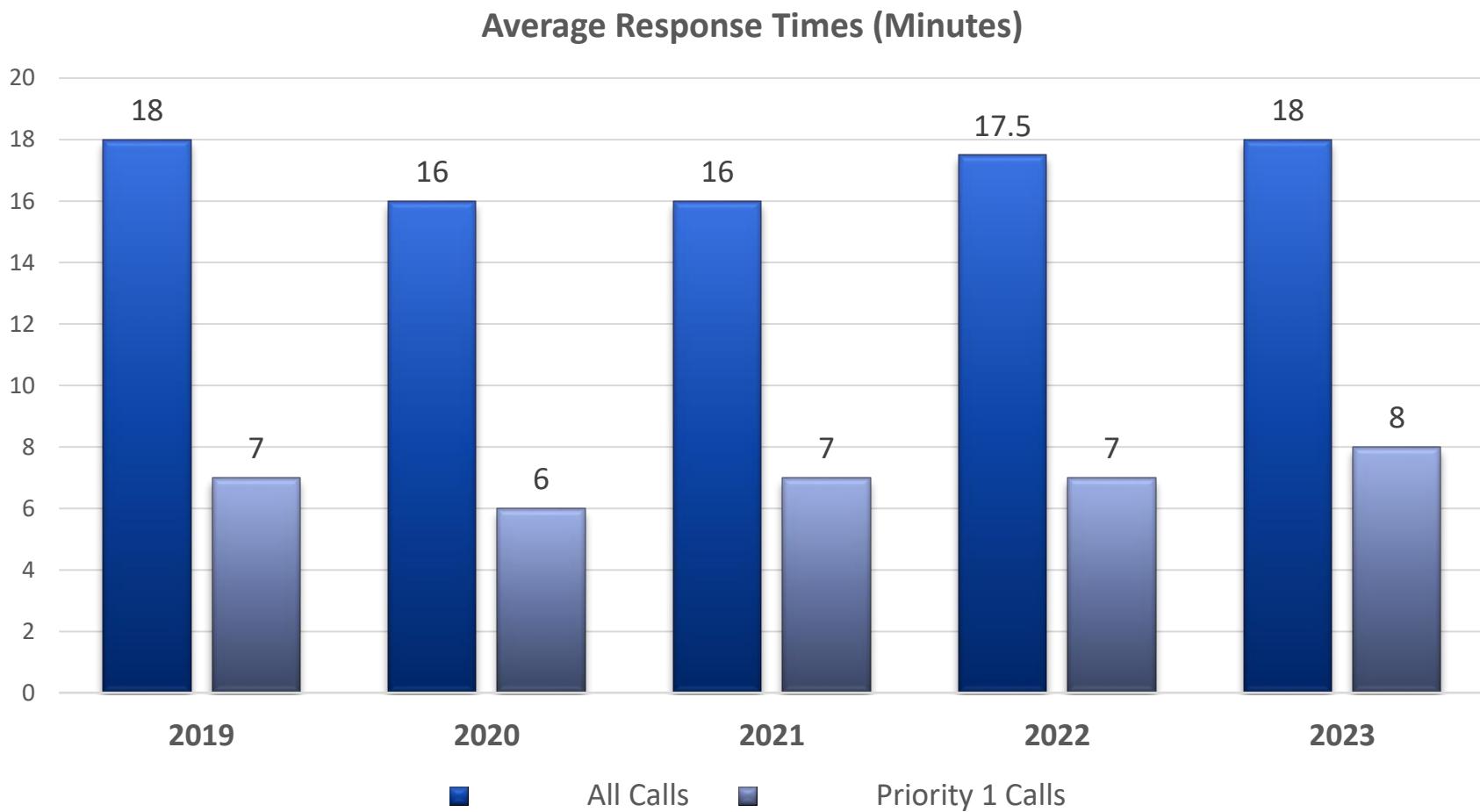
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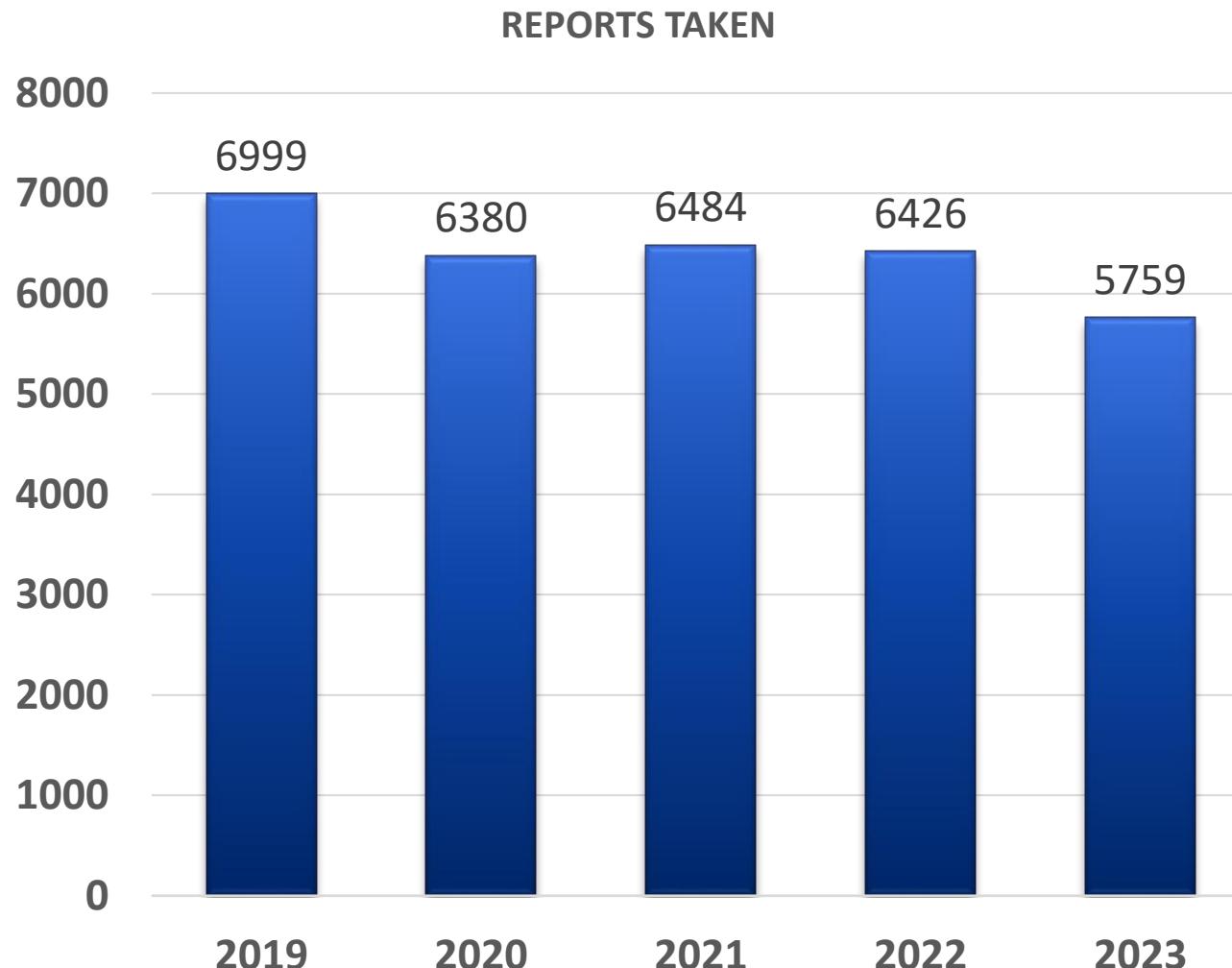
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Significant Reports Taken

- **Homicide: 5**
- **Attempted Murder: 18**
- **Assault on Officer: 38**
- **ADW: 60**
- **Shooting: 36**
- **Robbery: 19**
- **Rape: 10**
- **Arson: 7**
- **Possession of Gun: 57**
- **Domestic Battery: 170**

- Warrants: 967
- Other Theft: 332
- Drunk in Public: 331
- DUI: 305
- Vandalism: 246
- Battery: 134
- Burglary: 151
- DUI: 134
- Hit & Run: 96
- Child Sex Crimes: 38

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Traffic Unit

3 Officers assigned to the Traffic unit

- Trained in traffic collision investigations, vehicle code violations, and vehicular homicide investigations.
- Work a 10-hour shift
- Set up special Traffic-related details such as DUI Checkpoints, Seatbelt enforcement, and Distracted Driving operations.

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Accident Statistics: 2019- 2023

Year	Total	Vehicles	MC's	Bicycle	Ped	Fatal	Injury	DUI	DUI/W Injury
2019	757	213	2	7	8	1	77	55	17
2020	646	589	6	13	14	0	204	60	21
2021	647	623	11	12	18	2	240	28	20
2022	579	543	8	13	15	5	189	86	23
2023	436	419	3	3	11	6	64	61	10

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K9 Unit

Dual purpose Narcotics/Apprehension K9's

K9 teams(4) are assigned to patrol shifts.

- (24) hours of mandatory monthly training.

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Hanford PD K9 Unit - 2023 Utilization

- Officer Protection: 9
- Officer Protection w/ suspect surrender: 51
- Demo: 10
- Narc Search: 21
- Building/Area Search: 47
- Article Search: 4
- Apprehension: 4
- Total Utilizations: 146

Illegal Narcotics Located:

- Methamphetamine: 450.45 grams
- Fentanyl: 1.18 grams
- Firearms Detected: 2
- Narcotic Paraphernalia Alerts/Finds: 6



DETECTIVES

- Investigations Lieutenant
- Detective Sergeant
- Detectives (4)
- Detectives work 4 /10 schedule.
- A detective is on call every week.



CASE TYPES

- Homicides/Attempted Homicides/ADW.
- Rapes/Sexual Assaults.
- Human Trafficking.
- ICAC / Child Pornography.
- Robberies/Major Fraud/ Theft.
- Critical Missing People/ Abductions.
- Cases Sensitive in Nature.



Collateral Duties

- Sex Offender Registrations
- CCW Permits
- Firearm Dealer Permits
- Massage Parlor Licensing
- Secondhand Dealer Licensing
- Taxicab permits/licensing
- Cannabis employment backgrounds

STATISTICS



2022

- Homicides: **3**
- Attempt Homicides: **21**
- ICAC investigations: **33**
- ICAC Tips: **94**
- Search warrants: **117**
- Reports: **663**
- Call outs: **36**
- Autopsies: **60**

2023

- Homicides: **5**
- Attempt Homicides: **14**
- ICAC investigations: **35**
- ICAC tips: **103**
- Search warrants: **128**
- Reports: **474**
- Call outs: **56**
- Autopsies: **42**

STREET CRIMES UNIT



Corporal (1)
Investigators (4)

- POP transitioned to Street Crimes Unit in 2023.
- Focuses on gang and narcotic-related offenses.
- Identify, target, and address gang and narcotics crimes.
- Work with the community.

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2023 Statistics

- Cases: **95**
- Search/Arrest Warrants: **65**
- Arrests: **99**
- Firearms seized: **21**
- Anonymous Tips: **35**
- Reports: **395**

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Homeless Assistance Resource Team: HART

Established in 2019, at direction of CC to address the increase in CFS related to homeless issues.

- 2 Officers
- Provides available resources to the homeless population.
- Assist property owners in reducing issues related to homeless population.

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HART Statistics

Year	Calls	Arrests	Reports	Citations
2021	2021	123	175	45
2022	3083	74	140	10
2023	2704	96	133	30

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HART

- Homelessness is NOT a crime but there are Associated Crimes:
 - Trespassing
 - Drunk in Public
 - Disturbing the Peace
 - UTI Controlled Substance
 - Loitering
 - Traffic Issues
- Time Consuming for Patrol – No time for patrol to focus on resources
- Surrounding cities have similar units (Visalia- HOPE)
- Dedicated team to deal with issues, provide resources, attempt family reunification

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Park Resource Officer

Established as a collaborative effort between the parks department and police department in early 2021 to reduce crime and create a more enjoyable experience for the community in city parks.

2023 Statistics

- 1381 Incidents
- 91 cases
- 78 arrests
- 35 citations

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School Resource Officer (SRO)

- 1 Sergeant, 1 Corporal, 6 Officers
- Every High School and Jr High School has their own SRO
- Jr. High Officers each take care of their “feeder” elementary schools (3-5 schools)

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SRO: Important Role in School District

- Positive interactions and educational presentations
- Increase safety and investigate crimes on campus
- Reduce chronic absenteeism, suspension/expulsion rates
- Prevent bullying
- Mentor and counsel students, Work with parents in regard to behavior and attendance issues
- Provide dispute mediation, crisis intervention, help with disciplinary process
- De-escalate aggressive encounters
- Provide referrals for outside agencies/professional services
- Work sporting events, dances, fieldtrips, rallies
- SARB
- PAL Programs

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SRO COSTS

- SRO cover 180 School Days + selected school events (Sports, Graduations, Prom)
- Schools pay toward officer compensation, without benefits or overtime
- PUESD 1 Officer 50% \$48,000 (20 hrs per week)
- HJUHS Officers \$98,000 per officer
- KCOE 1 Officer \$98,000
- HESD 2 Officers \$92,000 per officer
- *HESD contract will be updated this year to \$98,000
- Summer School Services are offered at the rate of \$498 per officer, per day
- City pays approx. \$29,000 for each officer position + overtime
- Officers return to patrol or other needed assignments during school breaks

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Central Valley Regional SWAT

The Central Valley Regional SWAT Team is comprised of officers from the cities of Hanford, Lemoore, and Corcoran and serves these three cities' SWAT needs.

- 10 Operators from Hanford plus 4 Snipers
- 3 Operators from Lemoore
- 2 Operators from Corcoran
- 2 Armored Response Vehicles
 - 2009 Armored Response Vehicle (ARV) needs replaced (\$350,000)
 - Mine Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) DMIL
 - In Need of Sniper Vehicle (1991 Chevy Van)

The Central Valley Regional SWAT team averages 14 SWAT missions a year and trains 140 hours each year.

- SWAT missions include but are not limited to Arrest and Search Warrants, armed barricaded subjects, Hostage rescue situations, and Dignitary protection.

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Police Service Technician

1 position (Non-sworn)

- Monday through Friday
- Handles some non-violent crimes with no suspect
- Gathers information and Prepares reports
- Collects Evidence (Fingerprinting/ Photos)
- Livescan fingerprinting for the department
- Delivers Court paperwork
- Missing Persons follow-ups

Parking Control Officer

1 position (Non-sworn)

- Monday through Friday
- Patrols downtown area, parking lots, and residential neighborhoods
- Enforces Parking regulations, ordinances and laws
- Tows abandoned, expired or illegally parked vehicles
- Handles parking complaints

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Animal Control Technicians

2 positions (Non-sworn)

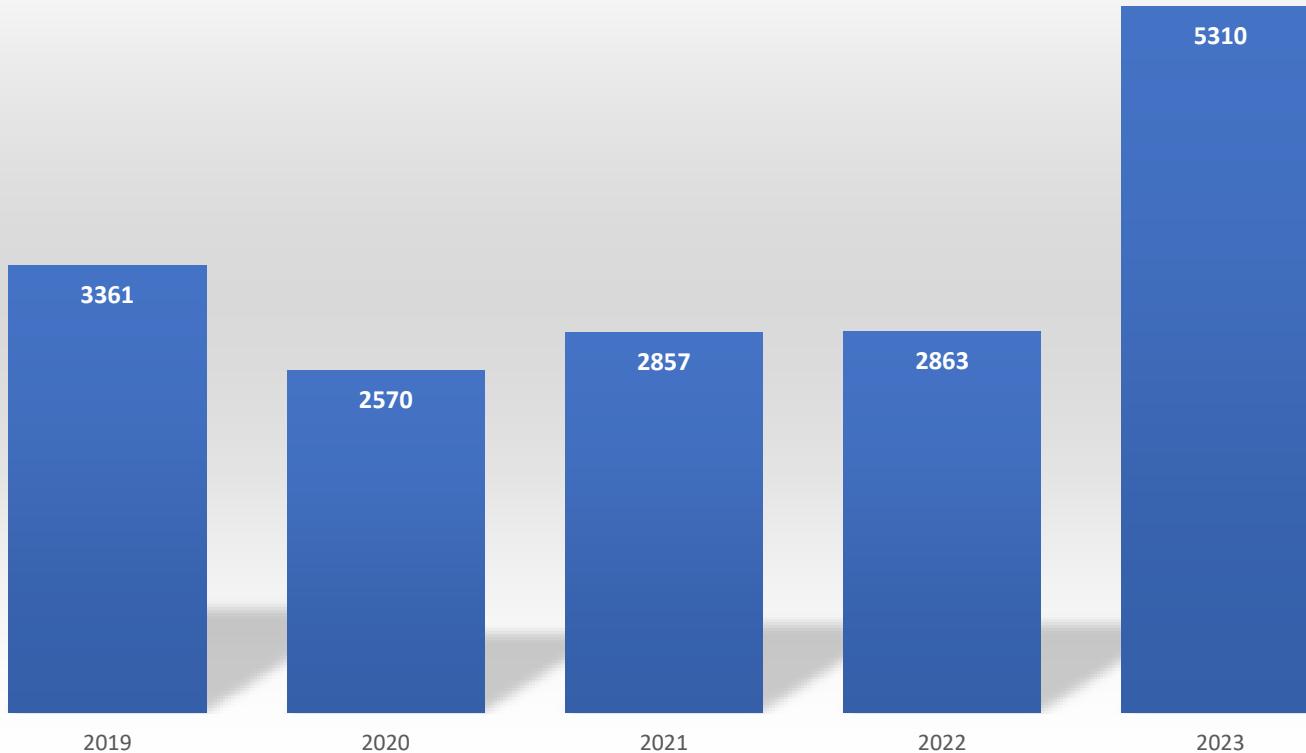
- Monday through Friday
- Subject to 24/7 call out for emergencies (vicious dogs/ dog bites)
- Enforces laws regarding the treatment and control of animals
- Responds to calls regarding animal-related problems
- Licensing, impounding, and disposal of animals
- Transport for medical treatment
- Interact with the public to resolve animal-related issues
- Prepare reports/ Documentation

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Animal Control Calls



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Dispatch Staffing

12 Dispatchers, 4 Dispatch Supervisors
(Lemoore PD Revenue \$545,000 pays for 4 dispatchers)

- 12 hours shifts
- Minimum staffing is 3
- 1 Call taker (dispatches fire and ems)
- 1 HPD Dispatcher
- 1 LPD Dispatcher
- All work together to help each other when busy

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Fire Dispatch

- 2022 Hanford Fire moved to Fresno EMS for Dispatch
- All 911 calls, including medical and fire still come through HPD Dispatch first
- Fire leaving created no reduction in dispatch call volume

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SERVICES PROVIDED BY DISPATCH

- Answering emergency and non-emergency calls
- Dispatch Hanford Police, Lemoore Police and Fire
- Receive calls for medical aid and transfer to EMS
- Keeping track of officers' location at all times
- Monitoring surveillance feeds
- 24/7 records, 911 Recordings and Radio Traffic
- Confirm warrants and obtain copies
- Dispatch tows, blood tech, probation/parole, streets, utilities
- Research history of persons, locations, and photos for officers
- Issue BOLOs, Call tracing and pinging phones
- Running persons/vehicles/property
- Enter and scan restraining orders into court system

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Records Division

3 Records Technicians, 1 Records Supervisor

- 8-hour shift, Mon – Fri

- Process & Route reports, release copies
- Staff front lobby counter
- Process subpoenas, complaints, call requests
- Processing traffic citations, permits, animal licensing
- Impounded and Stored vehicle releases
- Public Records Act Requests
- DOJ & FBI Audits, NCIC & reports
- Cannabis employee permits and billing

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Staffing Level Issues

- Population continues to increase
- Calls for service continue to increase (by approx. 2000 per year)
 - Average of 120 calls for service per day
 - Often does not leave time for proactivity: Proactivity down 35% last year
- Staffing levels continue to remain the same
 - National average 1.5 Officers per 1,000 in population (Hanford 1.08 Ofc.)
 - California uses “Rule of 60”- 60% of officers should be on patrol-(39 Ofc.)
 - International Assoc. of Chiefs of Police- 3.4 officers per 1,000 pop. (204 Ofc.)
- Only added 3 **Patrol** officers in 25 years
 - Population increased 55% in 25 years
 - Have not added a traffic officer in 12 years

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Staffing Level Issues

- One of few agencies our size that still responds to ALL calls for service
- Tried online reporting in past: Citizens did not like it
- Patrol is the fundamental duty of a Police Department
- Specialty units are needed for additional safety and improve quality of life

**Increased calls will result in patrol being
backfilled from specialty units**

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Overtime

- Caused by lack of staffing
 - Multiple Officers out due to injury (currently 3)
 - 3 Open Officer Positions
 - 5 Officers in process of leaving
 - 5 vacant Dispatcher positions
 - 1 Records Clerk vacancy
 - 1 Animal Control vacancy
- Overtime used to cover training, vacations, sick days, due to min. staffing
- Lengthy process for hiring (Need quality applicants, 2-3 interviews, psych eval, medical, polygraph, background)
- Minimum staffing levels must be maintained (5 patrol/ 3 dispatchers)
- Overtime coverage is required, despite limitations on budget

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This slide provides a comparison of the police department statistics for five cities, including their population size, total number of police employees, number of sworn officers, and number of support staff.

Police Department Statistics

City	Population	Officers	Officer per 1000	Sales Tax Measure
Clovis	128,000	231	1.80	-
Delano	52,000	57	1.10	1%
Tulare	69,000	76	1.10	0.5%
Porterville	63,000	89	1.41	1.5%
Visalia	142,000	167	1.20	1.25%
Madera	68,000	77	1.13	0.5%
Hanford	60,000	65	1.08	-

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Cost to add an Officer

- Police Officer: **\$150,000**
- Patrol Car **\$78,000**
- Handgun **\$750**
- Rifle **\$1700**
- Radio **\$2000**
- Taser **\$1400**
- Body Camera **\$700**
- Ballistic helmet **\$400**
- Ballistic vest **\$1200**
- Duty gear **\$600**

\$236,750

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Vehicle Fleet

Currently, there are 54 patrol vehicles for 65 Officers.

- **2010 (2)**
- **2013 (17)**
- **2014 (2)**
- **2015 (3)**
- **2018 (8)**
- **2019 (15)**
- **2021 (1)**
- **2022 (5)**

Currently, 11 are being replaced for \$78,000 a vehicle

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Police Department Facilities

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Police Department Facility Issues

- Staff, Services & Equipment split between three separate buildings
- Not enough space for staff/ Not enough storage
- None of our buildings meet ADA standards
- Dispatch Center and Records staff located in basement with no break room or windows
- Inadequate report writing stations
- No adequate interview rooms in main building
- Frequent Plumbing and Electrical outages
- High maintenance and repair costs
- 2 holding cells- 1 is inoperable and used for storage

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Police Department Facility Issues

- Not enough lockers or locker room space for officers
- No break room for employees
- No lactation room (required)
- No private areas for phone interviews
- Age of buildings & maintenance issues has led to damage of critical police infrastructure & equipment
- Insufficient restrooms- main building: 2 toilets for women/3 for men for 81 employees
- Insufficient parking spaces for staff/street parking takes away from public parking use
- Inadequate front lobby space
- Briefing room is not large enough for meetings/trainings (there is no other space for this)

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Women's Locker Room



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Men's Locker Room

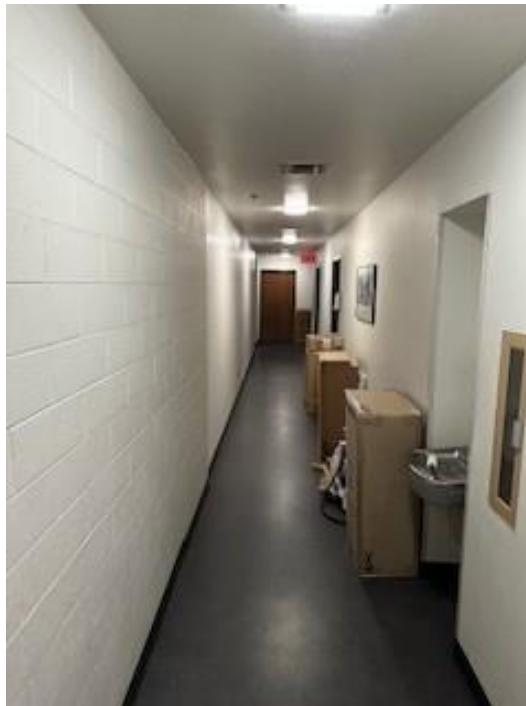


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Dispatch /Records



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Briefing /Report Writing



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Rear Compound



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State of California space allowance standards:

- Executive staff (5) x 300 sq. feet = 1500
- Officers/Professional Staff (88) X 347= 30,536

TOTAL= 32,036

*This is minimum needed now, with no room for growth

Currently have 172 sq ft per employee

Currently have 48 parking spaces

Currently have 54 patrol vehicle + 45 personal vehicles

Cost for New Public Safety Building estimated at \$50 Million
(3.1 Million per year on 30 year term)

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QUESTIONS ?