



**Board of
Police Commissioners**

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INVESTIGATOR

CITIZEN COMPLAINT REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2022

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Office of the Chief Investigator Mission statement

The mission of the Office of the Chief Investigator (OCI) is to **fairly, effectively and objectively** receive, investigate and make recommendations regarding complaints concerning the Detroit Police Department and its personnel. It is the goal of the OCI to assist in improving the quality of law enforcement services by instilling citizen confidence in the integrity of the Detroit Police Department.



Accountability through Civilian Oversight BOPC proud member of



Protects Civil Rights



Civilian oversight is a developing area of civil rights protection. Oversight practitioners are at the forefront of investigating, reviewing, and auditing individual cases or patterns of potential civil rights violations in areas such as racial profiling, biased policing, the use of deadly force, illegal searches, excessive force, and unlawful arrests.

Supports Effective Policing



Mutual trust and respect between police and communities are critical to effective law enforcement. Civilian oversight increases public trust in police by assuring the public that investigations have been done fairly, thoroughly, and objectively. This improved trust leads to greater public cooperation with law enforcement, and in turn, improves public safety.

Ensures Greater Accountability

One of the primary goals of civilian oversight is to advance fair and professional law enforcement that is responsive to community needs. This is accomplished, in large part, by promoting constitutional policing. Oversight focuses on assessing officer and departmental compliance with local policies as well as state and federal law, and institutionalizing and preserving important reforms. It also aids in evaluating the integrity and effectiveness of internal police accountability systems.



Helps Manage Risk

Civilian oversight is critical to managing a municipality's exposure to risk from lawsuits claiming unlawful actions by individual officers or departmental failures to supervise or train officers. Oversight accomplishes this by ensuring that individual officers who engage in misconduct are effectively investigated and disciplined; by evaluating and proposing improvements to police management and supervision training; and by reporting publicly on a department's progress in implementing such improvements.



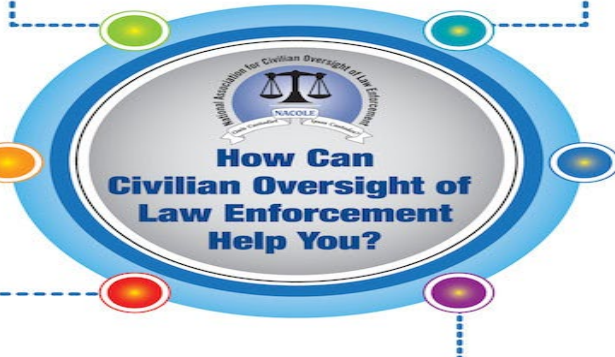
Increases Confidence in Police

Civilian oversight works to increase public trust and confidence in the police. By conducting independent reviews and audits of police policies and practices, and by ensuring that investigations of police misconduct or uses of force are handled fairly and objectively, oversight helps a community to trust that issues are resolved in a way that maximizes the public interest. This trust translates to higher confidence in a police force, and greater cooperation in a department's efforts to prevent and solve crimes.



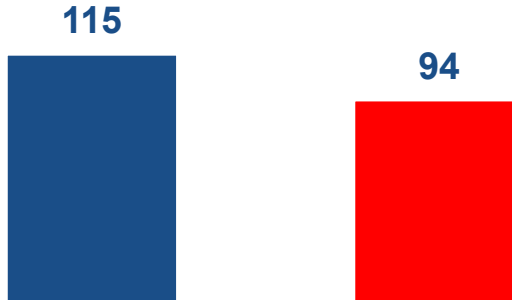
Builds Bridges

Effective policing must be responsive to community standards, values, and needs. Civilian oversight builds bridges between communities and the police forces that serve them by: communicating and cooperating with community and civic leaders before and after major incidents; by assuring the public that investigations of police misconduct have been completed fairly, thoroughly, and objectively; and by conducting independent investigations and reviews to ensure constitutional policing practices. Civilian oversight further acts as a bridge by conveying the concerns and needs of the community to the police, and reporting to the community how the police are performing, which allows the public to trust the police department and its officers and to view them as honest, reliable, and trustworthy. Civilian oversight practitioners are generally not currently-serving police officers, but trained and educated lawyers, investigators, researchers, analysts, and volunteers in your community.



CITIZEN COMPLAINTS RECEIVED FEBRUARY 2022 vs FEBRUARY 2021

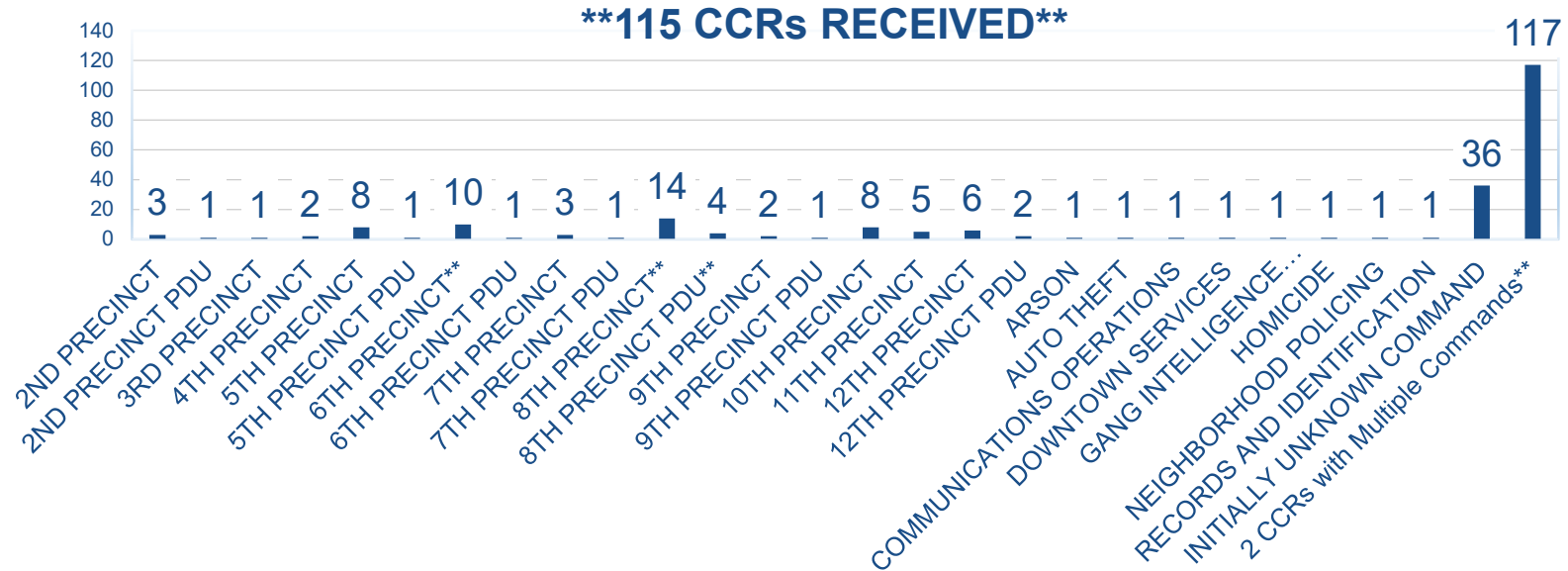
22% INCREASE



UNIT RECEIVING CITIZEN COMPLAINTS

Unit Receiving CCR Report	Email	In-Custody	Letter	Online	Telephone (or TDD)	Walk In	Total
2ND PRECINCT					3	4	7
3RD PRECINCT					1	2	3
4TH PRECINCT					1	1	2
5TH PRECINCT					3	2	5
6TH PRECINCT					4	4	8
6TH PRECINCT PDU					1		1
7TH PRECINCT					2	2	4
8TH PRECINCT					3	7	10
9TH PRECINCT						2	2
10TH PRECINCT		1			3	3	7
11TH PRECINCT					3	3	6
12TH PRECINCT					3	2	5
12TH PRECINCT PDU					1		1
COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS					1		1
HOMICIDE	1						1
INTERNAL AFFAIRS					2	1	3
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INVESTIGATOR			4	3	42		49
TOTAL	1			3	73		115

CITIZEN COMPLAINTS ALLEGED COMMANDS INVOLVED



NOTE: **2 Citizen Complaints of the 115 Citizen Complaints received involved multiple commands

36 Citizen Complaints Initially filed as Unknown (Commands) are identified through the OCI Investigative Process

CITIZEN COMPLAINTS- CLOSED

111 OCI CCRs CLOSED - FEBRUARY 2022						
152 ALLEGATIONS' FINDINGS						
Allegation	Total	Admin_ Closure (64%)	Exonerated (6%)	Inconclusive (14%)	Sustained (11%)	Unfounded (5%)
Arrest (1%)	1	0	1	0	0	0
Demeanor (27%)	41	18	2	12	7	2
Entry (0%)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Force (4%)	6	3	1	1	0	1
Harassment (3%)	5	5	0	0	0	0
Procedure (40%)	61	44	4	5	6	2
Property (8%)	12	8	1	2	1	0
Search (1%)	2	2	0	0	0	0
Service (16%)	24	17	0	2	2	3
Total (111 CCRs Closed)	152	97	9	22	16	8

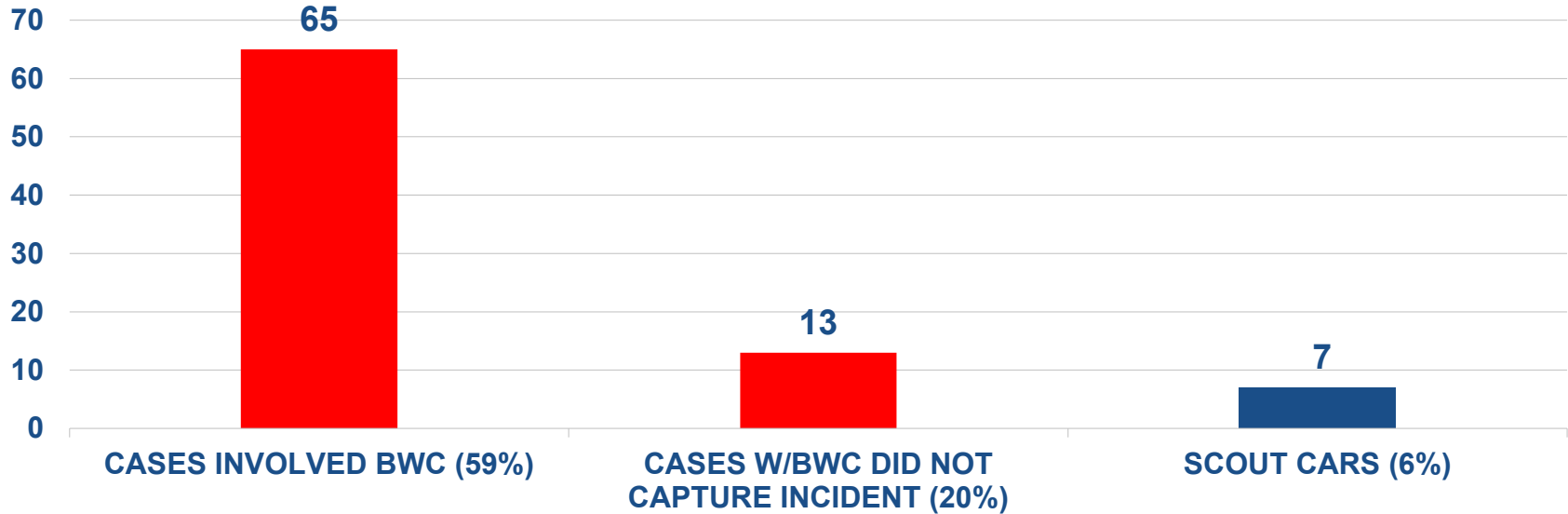
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BODY WORN CAMERA (BWC)

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SCOUT CAR CAMERA

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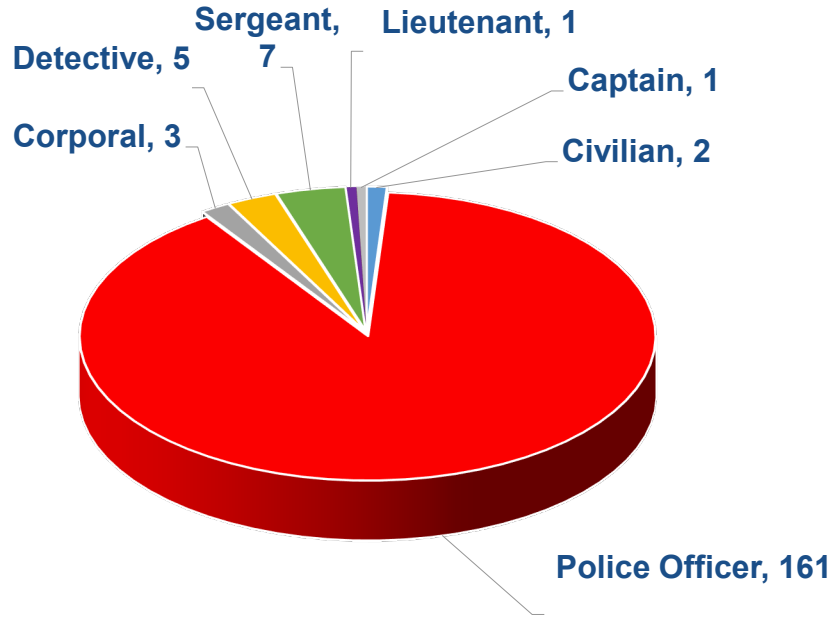


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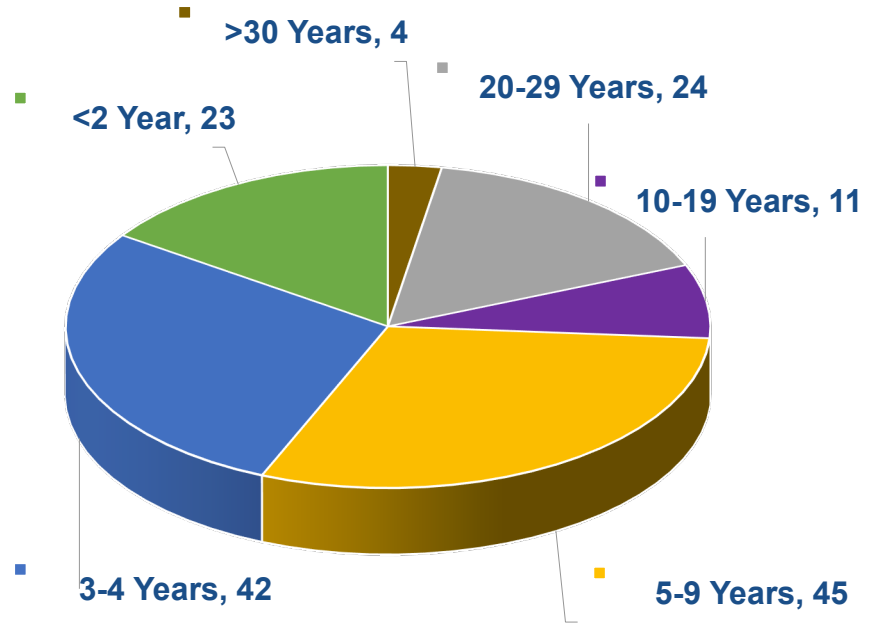
DPD MEMBERS BY RANK & SENIORITY

149 DPD Members Identified

RANK



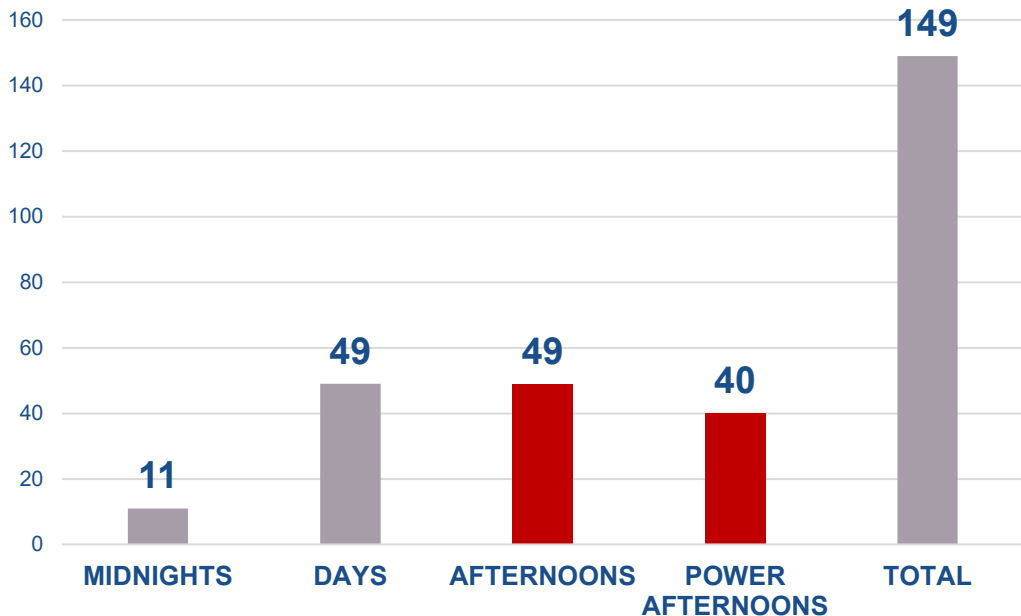
SENIORITY



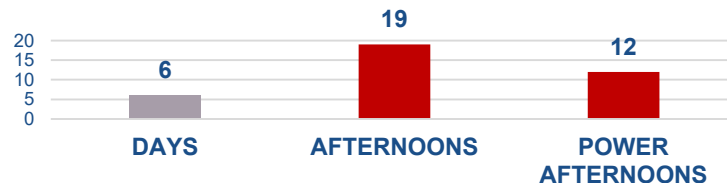
DPD CALLS FOR SERVICE

111 CCRs CLOSED FEBRUARY 2022

149 DPD MEMBERS INVOLVED
89 WORKING AFTERNOONS



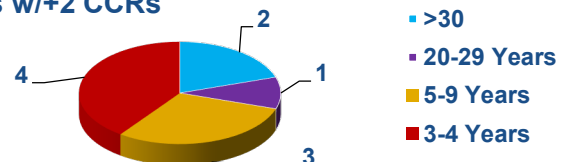
3-4 Years Seniority



< 2 Years Seniority



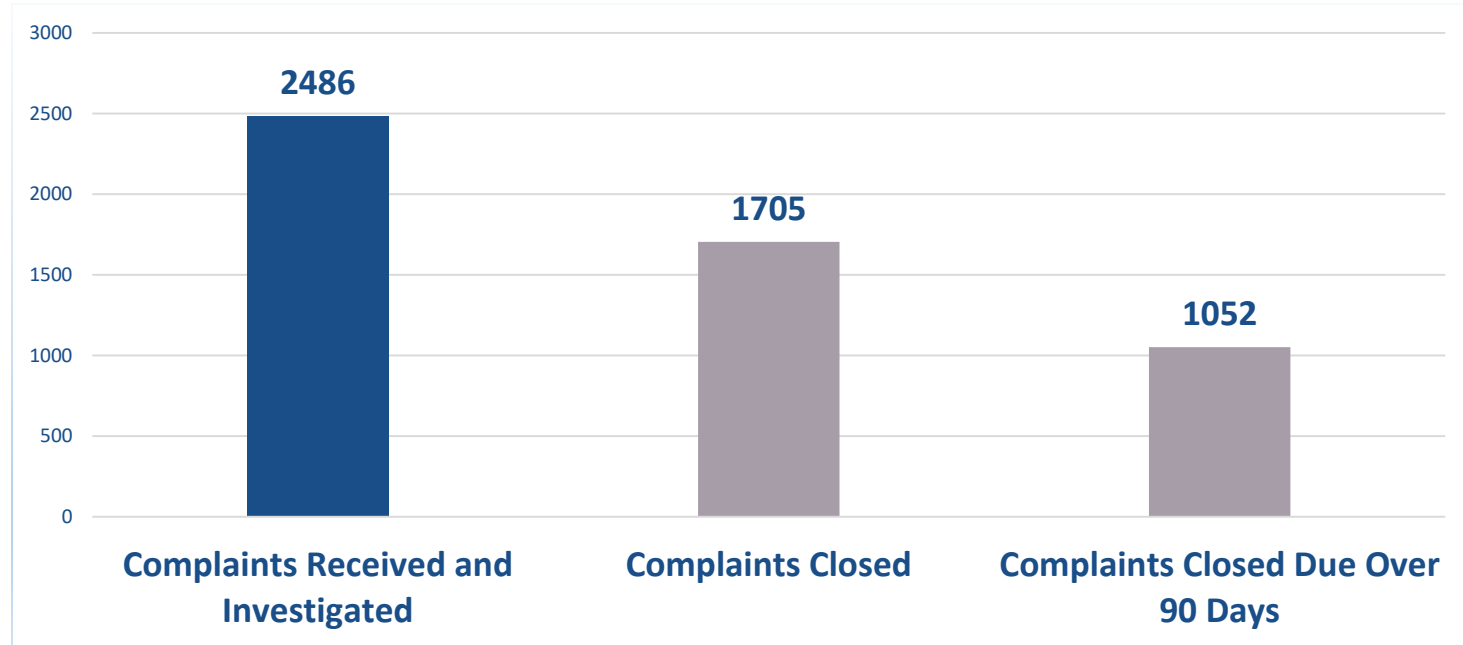
10 Members w/+2 CCRs



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FEBRUARY 27, 2020 TO FEBRUARY 28, 2022



FOIA REQUESTS

The Office of the Chief Investigator received the following City of Detroit Law Department FOIA Requests as of February 28, 2022:

- **2022:** 14 FOIA Requests

Prior Years FOIA Requests Processed:

- **2021:** 71 FOIA Requests
- **2020:** 24 FOIA Requests
- **2019:** 22 FOIA Requests
- **2018:** 19 FOIA Requests

HOW TO FILE A CITIZEN COMPLAINT



- ❖ In Person at the
Office of the Chief Investigator
900 Merrill Plaisance
Detroit, MI 48203
- ❖ Phone: (313) 596-2499
- ❖ Fax: (313) 596-2482
- ❖ Online: detroitmi.gov/bopc
- ❖ Any DPD Precinct

THANK YOU!

Any questions?