



# **Detroit Police Department Child Abuse Unit**

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## CHILD ABUSE

“Child abuse” occurs when harm or threatened harm to a child’s health or welfare occurs through non-accidental physical or mental injury, sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, or maltreatment by a parent, a legal guardian, teacher, a member of the clergy or any other person responsible for the child’s health and welfare where they have ***care, custody and control of the child when the abuse occurs.***

Child Abuse 1<sup>st</sup> Degree

Child Abuse 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree

Child Abuse 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree

Child Abuse 4<sup>th</sup> Degree



## FORMS OF NOTIFICATIONS

- 911 CALLS FOR SERVICE
- HOSPITAL STAFF
- LAW ENFORCEMENT NOTIFICATIONS
  - CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES (CPS)

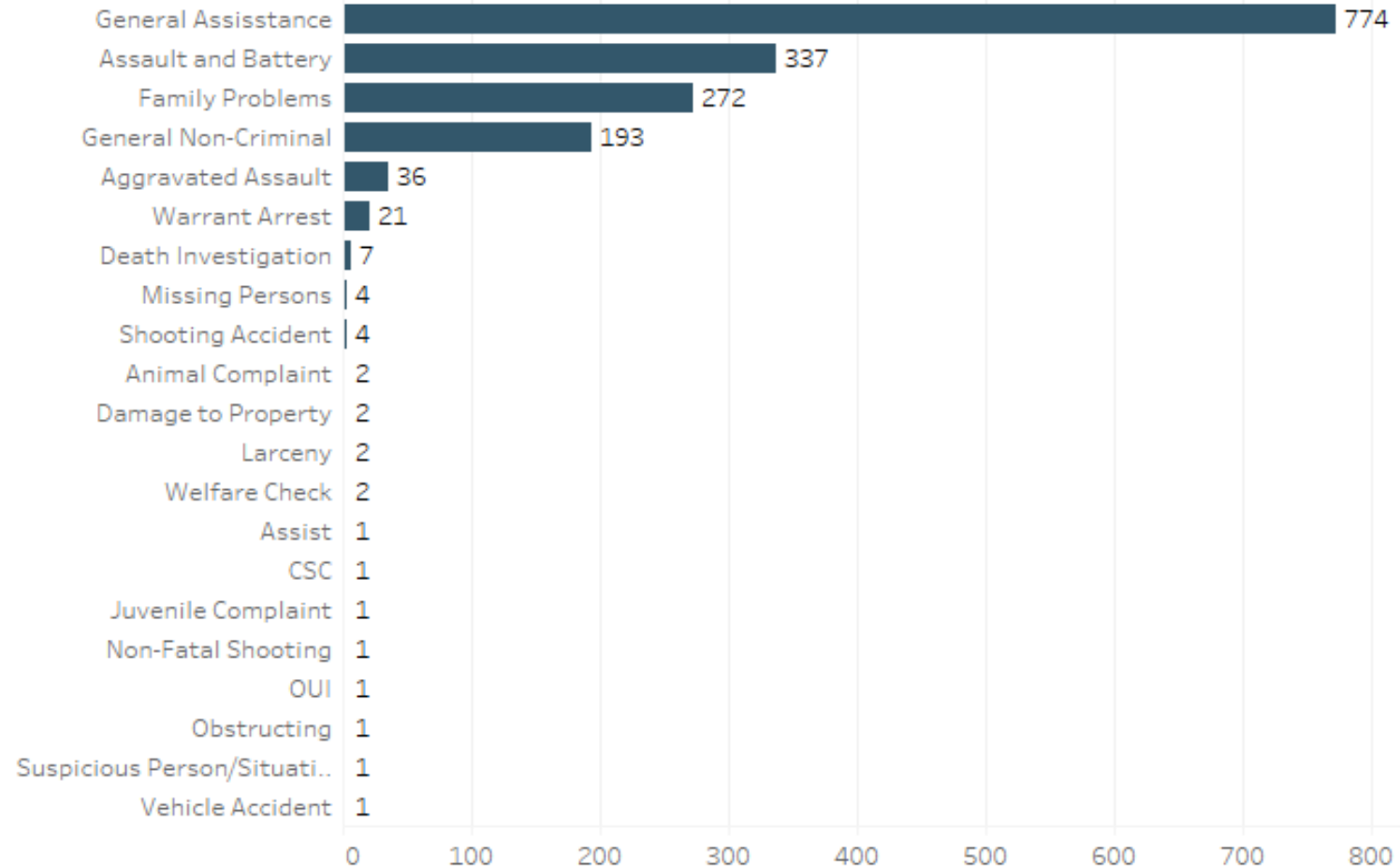


## MOST COMMON TYPES OF REPORTED CHILD ABUSE

- Guns
- Unsafe Sleep
- Discipline
- Egregious Acts



## OVERALL YTD CASES



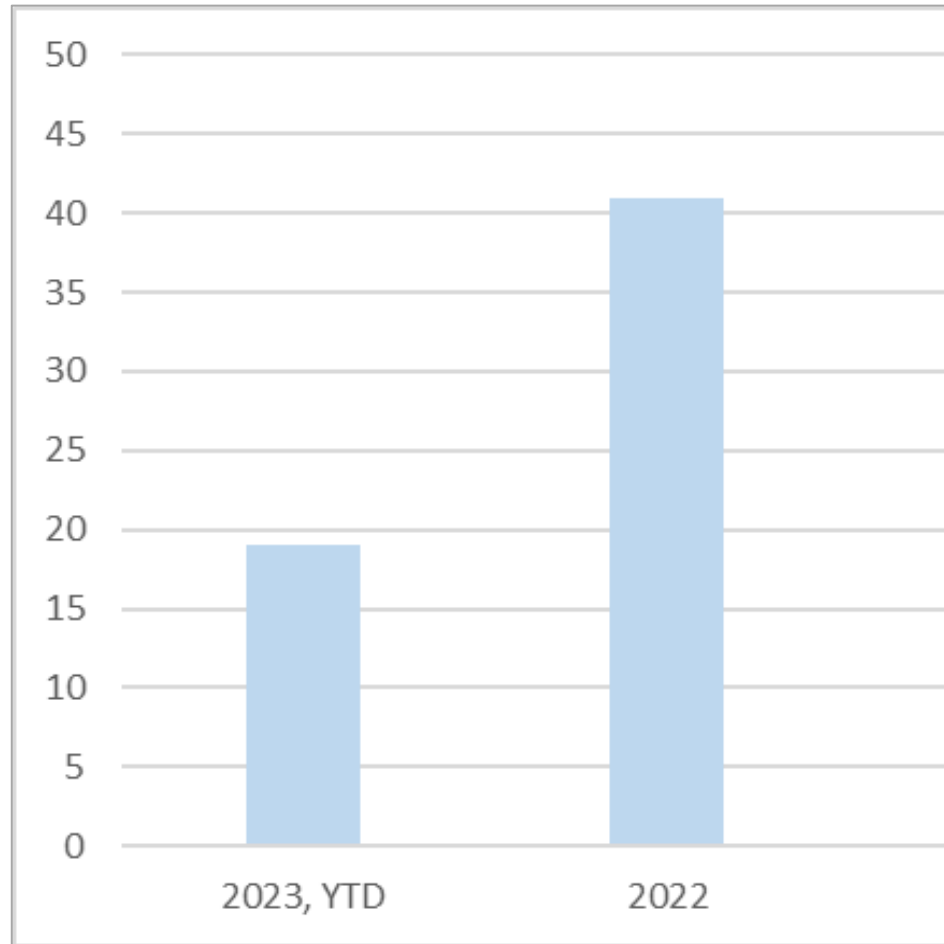


## CASE STATS – COMPLAINTS 2023

COMPLAINTS	ASSIGNED	CLOSED
Felony's	509	352
Misdemeanor's	1,096	829
2022 Cases closed in 2023		160
Total cases closed in 2023		1,341



## Baby Deaths – 2023 YTD





## COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND PREVENTION

Raise Awareness, Empower Victims, Break the Cycle

### Child Abuse Awareness Month Events

- April - launched with the Pinwheel placement
- 7<sup>th</sup> Precinct Event
- 10<sup>th</sup> Precinct Event

**“Hear Me Out”**

Child Sexual Assault







# QUESTIONS

