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Chief's Message



Greetings Shoreline Crime Fighters,

This week I want to put out a little rumor control. There is a rumor out there that KCSO is looking to reduce the staffing at the Unincorporated Precincts in order to fill the Contract Cities. That is not what is happening. There are discussions on minimum staffing levels for cost savings, but that has nothing to do with the Contract Cities. There is an effort over the next few months to fill vacancies in the Transit Contracts in anticipation of FIFA, as well as to address the fact that Sound Transit has been waiting to fill some of its vacancies since 2016. However, we are still moving

forward with filling our vacancies as quickly as possible. We are using the training program to fill our openings, and I am optimistic that by doing this we will have a significant difference is our staffing level by the beginning of the summer. Fingers crossed!

Speaking of summer, we were able to obtain funding from the City to promote our Anti-Crime efforts from June-September. What does this mean? It means that we will have \$50,000 of designated funds to staff X cars during our busiest time of year so that these deputies can focus on our hot spots. Sgt. Merclich has volunteered to run this program for us, and he will be seeking out active deputies to fill these O/T slots. This will be a great opportunity to work special projects and perform proactive work that will make a difference here in Shoreline. I am excited to see how this pilot program performs. This may be an opportunity to show the City Council the need for these types of FTEs for future expansion.

That's all for now,

Chief Tommy Collins

Police Services Report Presentation



On Monday, March 17, Chief Collins, Captain Angelo, and Captain Woodruff presented the 2024 Shoreline Police Services Report at the Shoreline City Council meeting.

Key highlights include:

- Call Volume: Officers responded to 14,557 calls for service.
- On-View Activity: Increased by 32%, from 9,482 in 2023 to 12,487 in 2024.
- **Response Times**: Reduced by approximately one minute for priority X calls.

- **Traffic**: Number of collisions remained steady, while traffic citations rose significantly.
- **Crime Rates**: Commercial and residential burglaries decreased.
- **Use of Force**: Out of 27,044 police contacts, only 16 involved force. Of 1,013 arrests, only 16 involved force. There were <u>no</u> incidents of excessive use of force.
- **Case Resolution**: Cases closed or cleared increased from 689 to 902, driven by restructuring and enhanced follow-up efforts.

Looking ahead, the department has set five key goals for 2025:

- 1. **Team Training**: Focusing on individual and team training, including defensive tactics.
- 2. **Shoreline Explorers Program**: Launching a new program with the first meeting next Wednesday.
- 3. **Staffing**: Currently, eight vacancies with several officers in training; aiming to reduce vacancies to five or six.
- 4. **Traffic Enforcement**: Expanding traffic enforcement with additional DUI vehicles and officers.
- 5. **Retail Theft Program**: Reviving a successful program to address retail theft, led by Detective Toby Velie, in collaboration with local businesses.

"The PSR was well received by the Council, and they were supportive our continued efforts to make this city safer." - Captain Neil Woodruff



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