

# SUISUN CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Annual Report 2021



# OUR MISSION

It is the mission of the Suisun City Police Department to provide the highest level of services in partnership with our diverse community to safeguard life and property.

# OUR VISION

The Vision of the Suisun City Police Department is to be an organization that will make a proactive commitment to invest in the development of our team; to enhance public safety services that will adapt and evolve to the needs of our community.



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# CHIEF'S MESSAGE:

On behalf of the Suisun City Police Department, it is my pleasure to present the police department's annual report. This report for 2021 will highlight some of our accomplishments and some of the hard work done by our staff over the past year. My hope is this report will provide a glimpse into the department and provide you with an update on our areas of focus in 2021.



During 2021, the COVID-19 global pandemic continued to play a major role in hindering our ability to interact in person and engage with all of you to the level we have come to expect in Suisun City. Despite these challenges, the women and men of the Suisun City Police Department continued to serve 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to enhance the safety and security of our city. We are proud to be **Your Police Department** and to be a part of the Suisun City Community. We cannot be successful without the amazing support the community of Suisun City shows us.

2021 marked the 100-year anniversary for the Suisun City Police Department. According to city records, the Suisun Board of Trustees, the body that was eventually renamed the Suisun City Council, appointed Anson Burdick as the Suisun Town Marshall in November of 1921. This made him the first deputized law enforcement officer employed by Suisun City. Unfortunately, as many of you may know, Anson Burdick was killed in the line of duty on September 1, 1927. While subsequent appointments to his post were made changing the position's title along the way, the deputization of Marshal Anson Burdick in 1921 was the beginning of what we now know as the Suisun City Police Department. "Serving since 1921," became our motto and helped us to acknowledge our past and focus on our future.

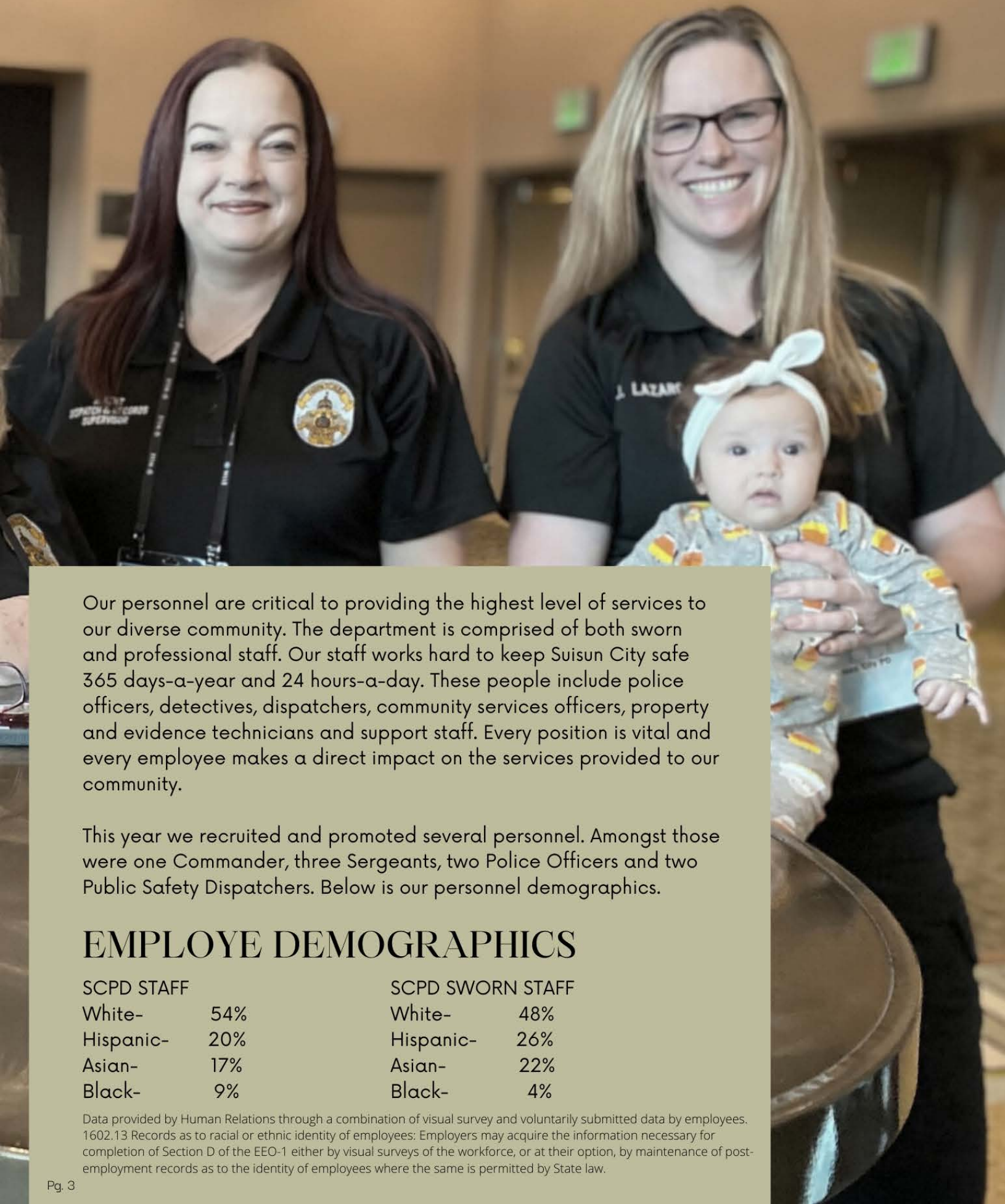
During 2021, we also evaluated our Mission, Vision, and Core Values. In that process, we wanted to ensure our Mission Statement re-affirmed our moral contract with you the community, who entrust us to serve you. We wanted to develop a vision that inspired our current and future employees to advance the Department towards a shared vision. Finally, we wanted to assess our Core Values to affirm our guiding principles of service to the community. You can see our Mission and Vision Statements on the adjacent page. Our Mission acknowledges that above all else, our role is to be in service of our diverse community. Our Vision acknowledges that to accomplish this mission, we must commit to the development of our personnel to improve our capability to provide exemplary services. Finally, our Core Values of Integrity, Community Service, Respect, Leadership, and Innovation help to guide us to seek and identify meaningful long-term solutions and relationships with the community.

We are honored to represent Suisun City and proud to serve this great community.

Sincerely,

*Avron Roth*

# OUR PERSONNEL



Our personnel are critical to providing the highest level of services to our diverse community. The department is comprised of both sworn and professional staff. Our staff works hard to keep Suisun City safe 365 days-a-year and 24 hours-a-day. These people include police officers, detectives, dispatchers, community services officers, property and evidence technicians and support staff. Every position is vital and every employee makes a direct impact on the services provided to our community.

This year we recruited and promoted several personnel. Amongst those were one Commander, three Sergeants, two Police Officers and two Public Safety Dispatchers. Below is our personnel demographics.

## EMPLOYEE DEMOGRAPHICS

### SCPD STAFF

White-	54%
Hispanic-	20%
Asian-	17%
Black-	9%

### SCPD SWORN STAFF

White-	48%
Hispanic-	26%
Asian-	22%
Black-	4%

Data provided by Human Relations through a combination of visual survey and voluntarily submitted data by employees. 1602.13 Records as to racial or ethnic identity of employees: Employers may acquire the information necessary for completion of Section D of the EEO-1 either by visual surveys of the workforce, or at their option, by maintenance of post-employment records as to the identity of employees where the same is permitted by State law.

# PATROL

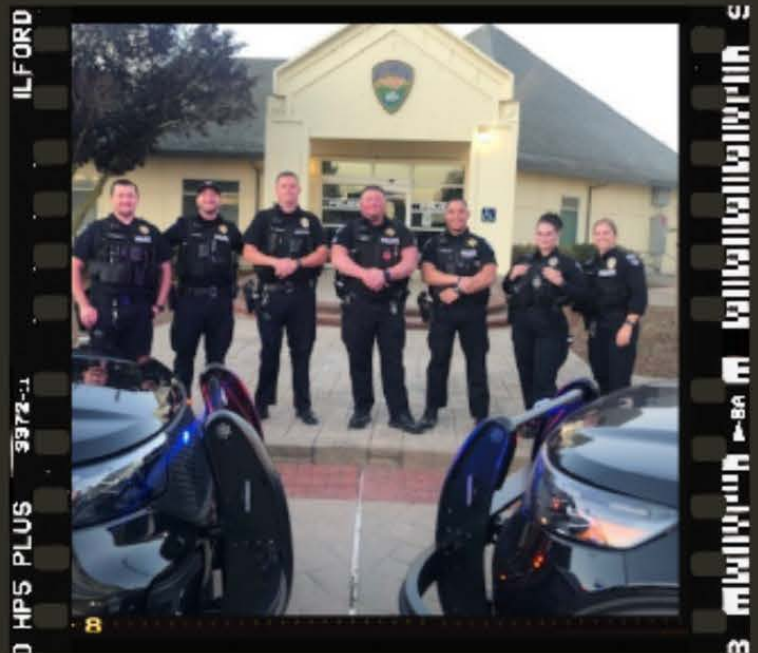
## 2021 Patrol Statistics

Police patrol is the primary service performed by the Suisun City Police Department. Patrol is staffed 24 hours a day, everyday to serve the community. Patrol conducts proactive patrols, which are intended to deter, detect, and apprehend criminal law violators. Patrol personnel often mediate civil disputes including child custody, neighborhood disagreements, and business disputes. Patrol is also the initial investigator for all criminal activity that occurs in Suisun City. Patrol investigates traffic collisions, missing persons, thefts, domestic violence, robbery, child abuse, and other misdemeanor and felony crimes.

Patrol serves as the City's first police responders. Throughout the ongoing global COVID-19 pandemic, our patrol personnel have continued to respond to calls for service, make proactive contacts and assist members of the community.

In 2021, Suisun City Police Department Patrol responded to 24,907, incidents. Of those incidents, officers created 3,327 case numbers, that resulted in police reports. Officers made 802 arrests, cited 827 people, investigated 278 collisions and booked 1,258 pieces of property and evidence.

The women and men of the Suisun City Police Department are grateful for the opportunity to serve such a diverse and supportive community. Our officers recognizes the support of our community and our shared goal of serving Suisun City.



## GUN VIOLENCE

The City of Suisun City had several incidents involving gun violence in 2021. Officers responded to 73 calls of shootings. Officers investigated 11 shootings, where evidence substantiated that a shooting occurred. These incidents were indicative of a larger nationwide increase in gun violence and shootings. The Department deployed additional resources and conducted proactive enforcement in order to mitigate the risk of gun violence. Officers recovered 50 guns in 2021 from calls for service, traffic and pedestrian contacts.

# TRANSPARENCY

## USES OF FORCE

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The Department accepts all complaints made against our employees. These complaints are investigated on an individual basis by an uninvolved supervisor or an outside investigator, depending on the allegation.

In 2021 the Department received a total of 7 citizen complaints for discourtesy, conduct, improper service, excessive force, etc. Of those complaints 1 was sustained.

## TRAINING

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The Department strives to de-escalate incidents and use a reasonable amount of force required to effect an arrest, overcome resistance, and prevent escape. In 2021 the Department had 13 Uses of Force reported out of 29,447 incidents. A 0.0004% use of force to incident ratio.

## COMPLAINTS

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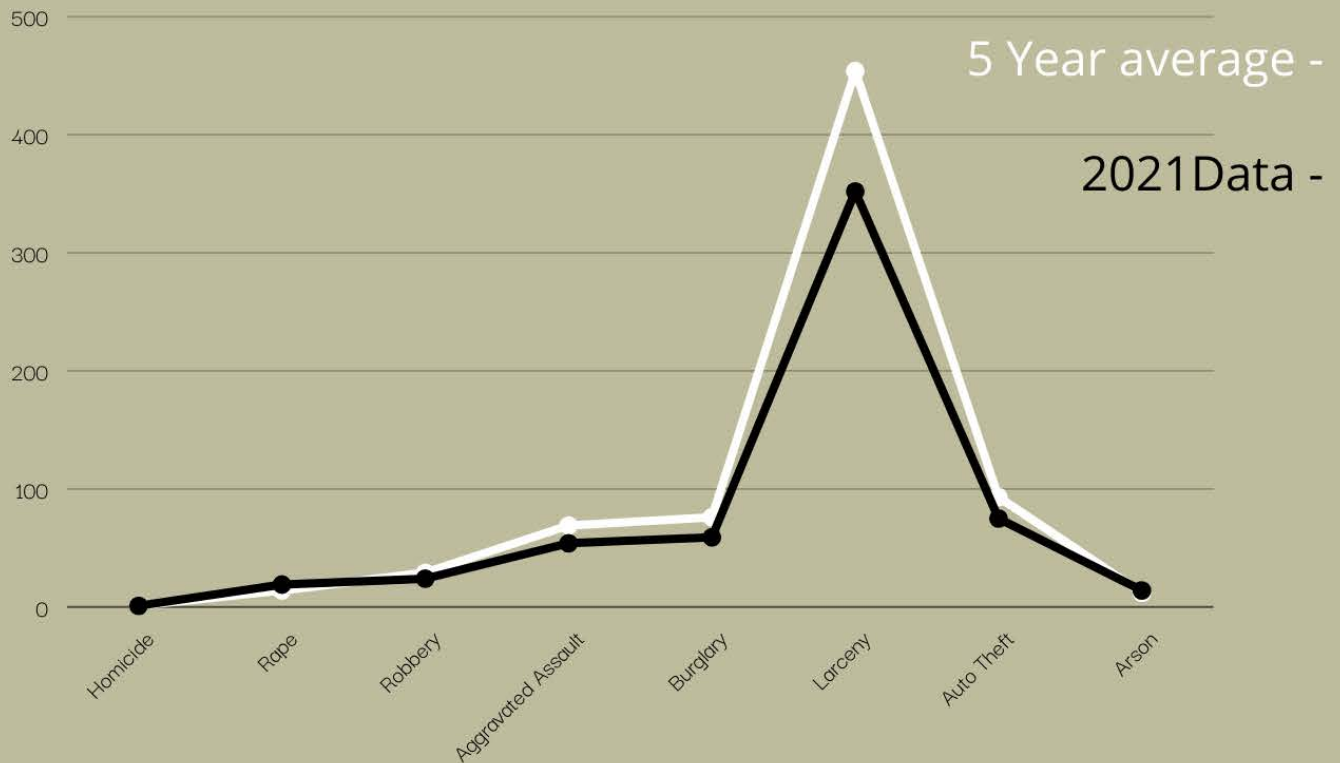
The Suisun City Police Department recognizes that the best tool for reducing Uses of Force and Citizen Complaints is training. In 2021, the Department made training of personnel a priority for the year.

The Department identified and trained a new Training Manager. The training manager works closely with other agencies and course providers to ensure our personnel are receiving the best training available.

Department-wide, our personnel attended over 4,300 hours of training online and in-person in 2021.

# UNIFORM CRIME REPORT pn 2021 STATISTICS

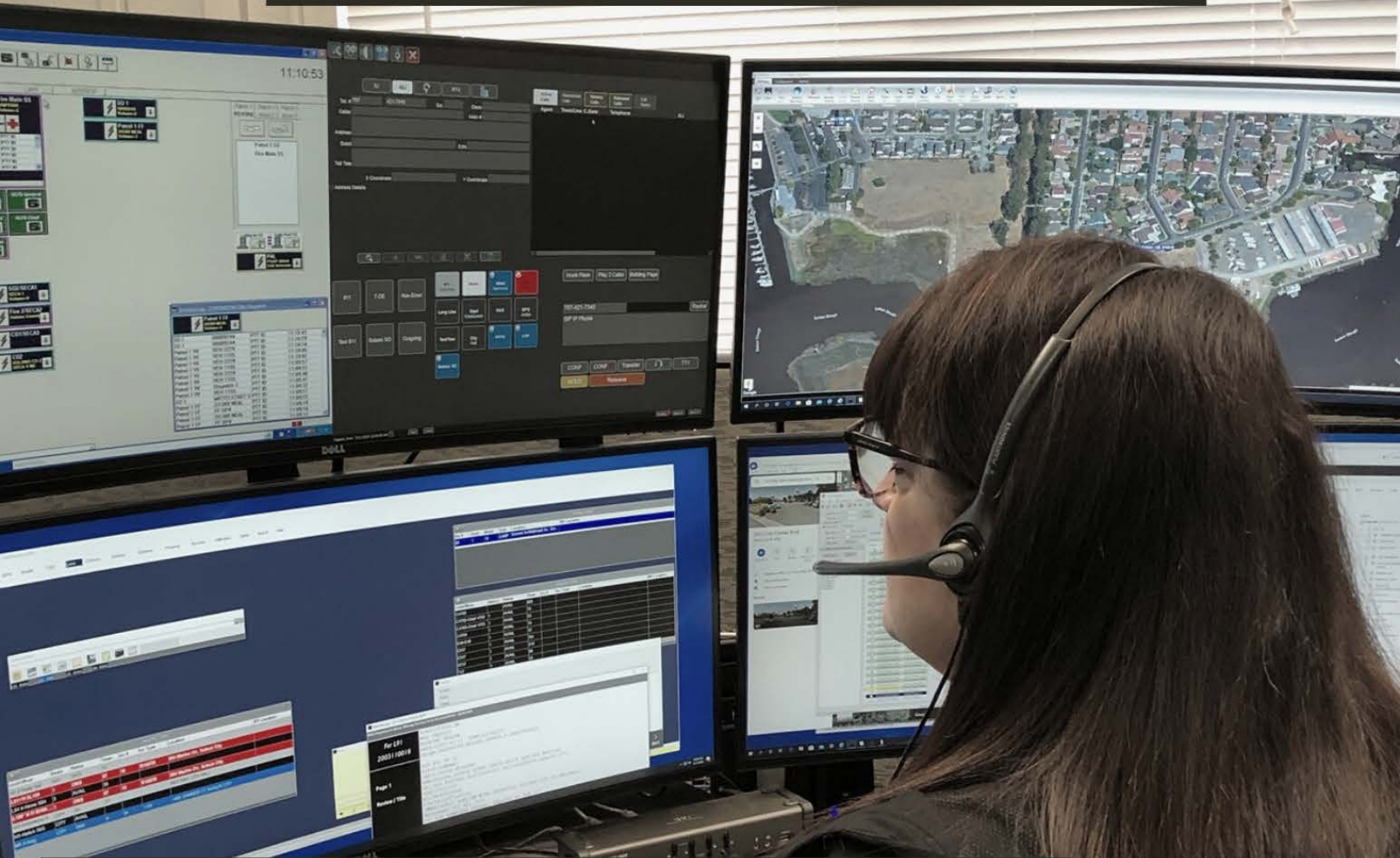
A comparison of crime by incident type and over time.



The Uniform Crime Report (UCR) is a set of data gathered by law enforcement agencies nationwide, which is reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI). This crime data helps federal, state and local governments to assess crime trends for the current year against those of previous years. The crimes reported to the FBI in the UCR include; Homicide, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Larceny, Auto Theft and Arson. These crimes are collectively known as "Part-1 Crimes." In 2022 we will transition to the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS), which will enhance incident based reporting.

Suisun City captures UCR data on Part-1 crimes and compares those crime rates to a 5-year average. This year's comparison includes 2021 crime data as compared to 2017-2021 Part-1 crime rates. Overall, Part-1 crimes in Suisun City reduced in 2021. Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Larceny and Auto Thefts all fell 16-22% versus the 5-year average. Part-1 crimes that increased included Arson 20% and Rape 37%, versus the 5-year average. Overall, Part-1 Crimes were down 20% in Suisun City during 2021, versus the 5-year average.

# DISPATCH



The Suisun City Police Department Dispatch Center is responsible for handling and processing all in-coming telephone calls to include 9-1-1 calls, radio operations for police, fire and EMS services in Suisun City. In 2021, the dispatch center handled 10,549 9-1-1 calls, 34,894 business line calls and made 12,361 out-going calls to coordinate service delivery to the community.

The dispatch center created a total of 29,447 incidents while also managing the SCPD lobby. SCPD Dispatchers are also responsible for all SCPD records functions and are responsible for the processing and dissemination of police reports to citizens and allied agencies, assembly of discovery for cases moving through the court system, records and background checks, registration of sex offenders and much more!

The year 2021 was unprecedented due to the continuous challenges of the pandemic, but SCPD dispatch remained committed to overcoming obstacles to ensure the needs of the community were met.



# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In 2021 the Suisun City Police Department remained committed to enhancing our service capabilities through technology and partnerships. These projects helped the department move towards accomplishing our 2021 goals.

The Department implemented technology in our Records Management System (RMS), which captures and records stop data in accordance with the California Racial and Identity Profiling Act (RIPA). This data is collected by officers in the field, entered into our RMS system and reported to the California Department of Justice (DOJ). RIPA is a state-wide initiative designed to create transparent data in regards to police detentions. Our Police Support Services Manager worked diligently with our vendor and CA DOJ to ensure our RIPA data was being captured and reported appropriately.

In 2022, the Department will transition from UCR reporting to the California Incident Based Reporting System (CIBRS) as part of NIBRS. This transition required new technology for our property and evidence unit. With our new solution reporting information, including property and evidence, we will be able to accurately report to CIBRS.

We took steps in 2021 to better connect unhoused community members with wrap-around services. The Department partnered with Solano County and our non-profit partners to host resource and outreach events for unhoused persons in our City. The events aimed to connect resources and care to the unhoused community members. Additionally, the Department sought and obtained a \$68,400 grant for two shelter beds for our unhoused community members. These beds were utilized throughout the year and served as a vital tool in addressing concerns in our community.

People experiencing crisis either at home or in the community are often suffering from ongoing illness, which compounds their crisis. Solano County Mental Health approached Fairfield and Suisun City, to take part in a Mobile Crisis pilot program. The program allowed for co-response of law enforcement and mental health clinicians initially. The program grew to a point where certain mental health calls could be handled by clinicians alone. In conjunction with this pilot program, the Department hosted training with the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), which helped personnel understand interactions with people in mental health crisis. Overall, the pilot and training has been successful and continues to grow and evolve.

# INVESTIGATIONS

The Suisun City Investigations Division continued its exemplary work through 2021. Detectives continue to work with allied agencies, including state and federal agencies, while conducting local human trafficking Investigations in addition to regular cases.

With the ongoing evolution and expansion of social media and cellular phones, most cases now come with a technological aspect which increases the time required to complete a case. With this in mind, Detectives received training in high-tech crime issues to supplement current investigative techniques. The Investigation Division received 110 new cases in 2021, and cleared 89. The Investigation Division had 30 active cases at the end of 2021. Detectives are working on a homicide that occurred in December. One detective is assigned to the Solano County Major Crimes Task Force (MCTF). Detectives in the Investigation Division participated in community engagement through National Night Out, National Walk to School day and other presentations and forums.

The Investigations Division is overseen by one Commander. The Investigations Division is staffed with 1 Investigations Sergeant and 2 Detectives.

# PROPERTY & EVIDENCE

SCPD was able to secure a full time Property and Evidence Technician position in 2021 to coordinate and manage property and evidence operations. The position was previously filled by a part time employee and the expansion to full time allowed SCPD to move forward with the acquisition of a new and enhanced property and evidence software platform that is linked to our Computer Aided Dispatch and report writing software. The transition to the new software is ongoing but will be a major asset in managing the inventory, space and efficiency of our property and evidence facilities. Over 1200 items were booked into the SCPD property room in 2021, 50 of which were firearms.

# COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICERS



The Suisun City Police Department employs two full time Community Services Officers (CSOs) and one part-time School Safety Officer (SSO) assigned to the Support Services Division.

CSOs investigate parking complaints, assist with traffic control, attend community events and investigate city ordinance violations. The SSO assists with traffic safety and parking concerns around our schools. All CSO's issue parking citations and conduct abandoned vehicle abatement.

The Community Services Officers are also a part of the Crime Scene Investigation Team and are called out on major crime scenes day or night.

# 2022 GOALS

Increase departmental capabilities through employee development, evaluation, and training.

Fully staff the department to ensure quality service delivery to our community.

Enhance the wellness of our personnel to strengthen morale and health of our employees.

Utilize advancements in technology to ensure equitable service to the public.

Utilize technology to acquire service delivery feedback from those we serve.



Anson Gray Burdick  
Deputized Suisun Town Marshal  
November 8, 1921



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