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"Maintaining a Safe Community since 1851"

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS
 FROM: TURU VANDERWIEL, CHIEF OF POLICE 
 DATE: JANUARY 21ST, 2020
 RE: MONTHLY REPORT - SONORA POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

The attached information is for December 2019.

	Dec 2019	Nov 2019	Dec 2018
Total Incidents	1,414	1,400	1,080
Calls for Service	600	712	636
Officer Initiated	814	688	444
Total Arrests	72	62	74
Felony Arrests	12	9	13
Misd. Arrests	60	53	61
Total Reports	154	138	150
Parking Citations	45	109	66
Moving Citations	24	23	16
Domestic Violence	3	1	8
Collision Incidents	35	40	-----
Collision Invest.	17	13	8
Animal Calls	22	47	36
Public Intox. / UID	11	12	10
DUI Arrests	7	5	14
Total Phone Calls	2,173	2,218	2,415
Average Per Day	70	74	78
Vehicle Releases	6	5	10

**Collision Incidents* is a new category reflecting actual collisions occurred within the City.

BEAT 1

Violent Crimes:

- 2 Felony Batteries with Serious Bodily Injury *
(* Felony Cruelty to Elder/Dependant Adult Occurred During One)
- 1 Felony Domestic Violence
- 1 Felony Assault with Deadly Weapon/Force
- 1 Felony Robbery
- 1 Misdemeanor Cruelty/Endangerment to Child
- 3 Misdemeanor Domestic Violence
- 1 Misdemeanor Attempted Battery on School Grounds

Burglaries / Other Larceny:

- 1 Stolen Vehicle (Recovered in Ripon)
- 3 Business Burglaries
- 4 Business Burglaries (Shoplifting)
- 1 Burglary of Storage Shed
- 2 Vehicle Burglaries (In Storage Yards)
- 5 Vehicle Burglaries
- 1 Grand Theft From Vehicle
- 5 Petty Thefts (Shoplifting)
- 1 Petty Theft (From Recovered Lost Backpack)
- 1 Petty Theft From Vehicle
- 1 Petty Theft From Business
- 1 Theft From Business by Fraud

BEAT 2

Violent Crimes:

- 1 Felony Battery with Serious Bodily Injury

Burglaries / Other Larceny:

- 1 Stolen Vehicle (Recovered in Ceres)
- 2 Vehicle Burglaries
- 1 Residential/Garage Burglary
- 1 Petty Theft (From Residential Yard)

12/01/2019 -12/31/2019



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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Turu VanderWiel, Chief of Police
DATE: January 21st, 2019
RE: Area 1 Monthly Report

MEMORANDUM

The supervisor responsible for Area 1 reporting is on an extended leave of absence. No report for Area 1 will be submitted for December, 2019.

Area 2 Monthly Report December 2019

Neighborhood Watch:

MYERS HILL:

- No updated activity.

N. STEWART:

- No updated activity.

HIGHLANDS VIEW:

- Inactive.

Cases For discussion:

19-1632. One driver was killed, and one driver was injured in a head-on crash on W. Stockton St. near the intersection of Mill Villa Ct. on the morning of December 13th. A 2016 Nissan Sentra traveling west and a 2016 Ford van heading east on Stockton Road collided when the Nissan crossed over into opposing traffic, resulting in a head-on collision at about 8:30 a.m. The driver of the 2016 Nissan was pronounced dead at the scene by medical personnel. The driver of the Nissan was identified as Matthew J. Winn, 23, of Modesto. The van was driven by a 56-year-old Sonora woman who was transported to a Modesto for serious but non-life-threatening injuries. The fatal crash remains under investigation, and it is not known whether drugs or alcohol played a role.

19-1659. On December 17th, we arrested 30-year-old Luis Albert Ramirez on five felonies and three misdemeanor charges stemming from a burglary to a Sonora restaurant. Just before 7:30 a.m., a Sonora resident called to report seeing a suspicious male leaving the area of Gus's Steakhouse with a large container of items on a dolly. The courageous caller not only alerted law enforcement but followed the subject on foot until we arrived. The responding officer located and detained Luis Ramirez in the area of Fir Dr. and Pine St. Ramirez was in possession of several items that the officer believed to be stolen. Another officer responded to Gus's Steakhouse and located an open door and after clearing the building was able to confirm the items in Ramirez's possession were in fact, stolen from that business. Among the many stolen items Ramirez had in his possession were three firearms, collectible sports memorabilia, knives, food products, and over \$300 in cash. The total value of the stolen and the recovered property was estimated to be well over \$5,000. Ramirez was also found to be in possession of burglary tools, as well as heroin and methamphetamine. Ramirez was booked at the Tuolumne County Jail for charges including burglary, drug possession, possession of burglary tools and weapon possession charges. His bail was set at \$25,000. Thanks to the actions of an alert citizen, the private business owner was able to recover all of his stolen property. There will, however, be costs associated with the repair of the damaged door Ramirez pried open to gain entry.

Recruitments:

- 1 open Police Officer position. 1 academy graduate is in the final portions of the hiring process.
- 1 SRO part-time position open funded by a grant from DOJ.
- 1 open Lieutenant position actively being recruited.
- 1 open part-time Dispatcher/Records Specialist position actively being recruited.

Training:

- In-house Sexual Harassment training for all staff. (2.5 hours each)
- Officers' Mallon, Weber, and Durham attended a two-day course on Policing in Today's Society. (16 hours each)
- Officer Brandow attended Perishable Skills training. (40 hours)
- Recruit Paulsen is in his third month of the Police Academy. (160 hours)

Field Training Program:

- Reserve Officer Duffy continues with his field training.
- SRO Bell is in phase 2 of field training with Officer Mallon.
- Officer Johnson had his first day of phase 1 training with Officer Mallon.

Community/Special Events:

- On December 14th we had Officers help with the annual Shop-with-a-Cop event at Walmart.
- On December 20th Officers and staff attended the Pop Hudson Sing Along at Court House Park.

Range:

- The next range qualification will be in January.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sgt. Curtis Hankins



PATROL STATISTICS
REPORTING PERIOD: DECEMBER 2019

01/07/2020

Statistic	Count
Total Incidents	1414
Calls for Service	600
Officer Initiated Incidents	814
Traffic Stops	104
Other OIA Incidents	710
Bus/Building checks	0
Veh/Ped Check	0
Total Officer Reports	154
Accident	17
Crime	41
Felony Arrest	4
General Information	26
Infraction Arrest	0
Juvenile Arrest	5
Misdemeanor Arrest	43
Warrant Arrest	18
Unclassified Reports	0
Total Misdemeanor & Felony Arrests	72
Misdemeanor Arrests	60
Felony Arrests	12
Total Citations	98
Animal/NOV	1
Infraction	2
Juvenile	1
Misdemeanor	21
Vehicle - Moving	24
Vehicle - Parked	45
Voided	4
FIs	3