

Campbell Police Department

Annual Crime & Traffic Report Year in Review



Message from Chief Greg Finch

The Police Department is similar to many other government agencies in that we supplement many of our essential services with volunteers. Last year, Police Department volunteers worked almost 4,800 hours. We have 14 Police Reserve Officers who have the same legal authority and perform many of the same law enforcement functions as full-time Police Officers. Our Reserve Officers donate their time to help out with patrol duties on busy shifts, work special events like the Boogie on the Bayou Festival and Oktoberfest, assist with emergency call-outs like fatal accidents, and even assist with investigations in our Detective Bureau. We also have Firefighters and Paramedics who donate their time as members of the S.W.A.T. team's Tactical Medic Unit. These hard working volunteers are an invaluable asset to the department.

Our Records Division also utilizes volunteers to assist with clerical work. Last year, our Records Division processed over 5,500 police reports and 6,000 citations. Records

Division volunteers help ensure that many of the tasks in the Records Division are completed in a timely manner. In the last year, we also reinstated our Police Explorer and C.E.R.T. programs. The Explorer program allows young adults between the ages of 15 and 20 to learn about law enforcement. Our Explorers help in the Records and Communications Divisions and ride with Police Officers in the field to assist them with many tasks such as completing routine forms, conducting traffic control, etc. The Campbell C.E.R.T. (Community Emergency Response Team) was recently re-energized with new volunteer leadership and will be available to assist during disasters. I am extremely grateful for all of our volunteers for their assistance in helping to make the City of Campbell a great place to live, work and play.

Sincerely,

Greg Finch, Chief of Police

Introduction

The information in this report reflects incidents that were reported to or observed by members of the Police Department. Many incidents are never reported to the Police Department, and, therefore, they are not included in these totals. This data is useful for a comparison with the statistics from previous years and other agencies to help identify general trends or patterns of activities for the Police Department

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911 Call Volume Analysis

City	911 Calls	Officers	911 Calls per Officer
Gilroy	24,177	58	417
Sunnyvale	41,409	106	391
Campbell	15,174	41	370
San Jose	383,984	1,049	366
Morgan Hill	12,583	36	350
Santa Clara	42,541	135	315
Mountain View	29,604	96	308
Milpitas	21,080	74	285
Los Gatos/Monte Sereno	9,640	38	254
Palo Alto & Stanford DPS*	28,856	124	233
Los Altos	5,743	30	191

One of the most accurate and consistent methods for comparing workload between public safety agencies is to compare 9-1-1 (emergency) call volume. The chart to the left shows the number of 9-1-1 calls per officer for Campbell and several of the other agencies in Santa Clara County.

* # of Officers (Palo Alto = 91, Stanford = 33)



Campbell Crime Rates and Traffic Statistics

The FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program divides offenses into two groups - Part I and Part II Crimes. Part I crimes are defined as offenses that are more serious crimes by nature and/or volume. Part II offenses are all crime classifications other than those defined in Part I. As noted in the chart below, Part I crimes in Campbell increased by 12% in 2012. Countywide, Part I crimes increased by 18%. Part II crimes increased by 4%. There were no reported homicides in Campbell for the fifth year in a row. We noted an increase in rapes from an annual total of 11 to 18. Robberies, aggravated assaults, and simple assaults all decreased in 2012. Thefts increased by 20% and motor vehicle thefts increased by 15%. Reported arsons increased by 143% from 7 in 2011 to 17 in 2012. This year, we noted a 19% increase in burglaries from 310 reported in 2011 to 370 reported in 2012. This total includes both residential burglaries and commercial burglaries. Countywide, burglaries increased by 24%. The Campbell Police Department takes great pride in our responsiveness to calls for service and dedication to proper documentation of crimes. We remain committed to providing outstanding public safety services to the community of Campbell.

The Campbell Police Department's Traffic Unit is comprised of a Sergeant, Agent, two Motor Officers, and two Community Services Officers. The unit is responsible for enforcement of traffic laws, collision investigations, abandoned vehicle enforcement, and parking enforcement, as well as managing the School Crossing Guard Program and coordination of the downtown special events. The Unit participates in several County and Statewide enforcement programs such as the Click-it or Ticket Seat Belt Compliance Campaign, Operation Safe Passage which focuses on school zone violations, Avoid the 13 DUI enforcement, and Distracted Driver campaigns. The ultimate goal of the unit through these traffic enforcement campaigns is to gain compliance of traffic regulations in an effort to eliminate injuries and deaths related to traffic collisions. We believe that if drivers buckle up, follow the rules of the road, focus on driving responsibly, and never drive after consuming alcohol, we will make huge advancements toward our ultimate goal.

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Traffic Statistics			Other Accident Statistics		
Category	2011	2012	Category	2011	2012
Accidents			Pedestrian	18	23
Fatal	0	3	Hit & Run	183	179
Injury	98	90	Bicycle	37	37
Non-Injury	485	481	Private Property	59	75
Total	583	574	Total	297	314

Part I Crimes			
Category	2011	2012	% Chg
Homicide/Manslaughter	0	0	0%
Rape	11	18	64%
Robbery	37	33	-11%
Aggravated Assaults	51	40	-22%
Simple Assaults	372	322	-13%
Burglary	310	370	19%
Theft	921	1101	20%
Motor Vehicle Theft	152	175	15%
Arson	7	17	143%
Total Part I Crimes	1861	2076	12%

County-wide Crime Rate Comparison (per 100,000 population)		
City	2011	2012
Campbell	4555	5205
Gilroy	3916	4582
San Jose	3145	3796
Milpitas	3406	3512
Santa Clara	3104	3434
Los Gatos	2664	2702
Mountain View	2419	2556
Morgan Hill	2360	2405
Palo Alto	2259	2371
Sunnyvale	1794	2203
Cupertino	1635	1883
Los Altos	1080	1203
Monte Sereno	829	1200
Saratoga	933	964
Los Altos Hills	833	713
Average	2329	2582



C.E.R.T. - Community Emergency Response Team

The Community Emergency Response Team is a group of dedicated volunteers, trained and ready to assist their neighbors, or other nearby communities in the event of a disaster. In January 2012, we determined that an active Community Emergency Response Team would be of great value to the City of Campbell and we began to revitalize our C.E.R.T. Program. In 2011, Campbell had one C.E.R.T. academy graduate. In 2012, we had 18. Our goal for 2013 is to recruit and train 50 new Campbell C.E.R.T. volunteers. Ultimately, our long term goals are to have one C.E.R.T. volunteer for every 100 residents or about 400 active Campbell C.E.R.T. volunteers ready to respond and assist public safety during a disaster.

We have been actively working to recruit new members, identify funding sources to support the volunteer efforts with equipment and training, identify group leaders willing to take leadership roles in their neighborhoods and draft operations guidelines for C.E.R.T. activation and performance. A large part of our recent success in revitalizing the C.E.R.T. Program is attributed to our 2012 Emergency Management Volunteer of the Year, Steven Teeter. Steven has worked tirelessly to recruit and organize members of this team.

This volunteer program is extremely important for the well being of our neighborhoods during a disaster and will be

invaluable in augmenting existing emergency services in response to disaster related calls for service.

For more information on joining this dedicated group of community volunteers, you may contact Steven Teeter at s_teeter@pacbell.net or check into the next available C.E.R.T. academy class through Santa Clara County Fire at: [http://www.sccfd.org/forms/2013 West Valley Regional CERT Calendar.pdf](http://www.sccfd.org/forms/2013%20West%20Valley%20Regional%20CERT%20Calendar.pdf)



Campbell Police Explorer Post

In March of 2012, The City of Campbell Police Department brought back its Explorer Program. The Explorer Program is designed to give youth, ages 14 to 20 years, an in depth look at law enforcement as a possible profession. The Explorers go through an application process, an oral interview, a background check and field training, which is structured in a similar fashion to what they would experience if they applied for a job in law enforcement. The Explorers are exposed to many aspects of law enforcement including, dispatch, records, and field work in the form of ride-alongs. The Explorers also perform many valuable tasks at



our department including citation processing, report filing, traffic control, working at festivals and special events, and assisting officers in the field.

The Campbell Police Department currently has 11 Explorers in the program and we are in the process of hiring several more. The Campbell Police Explorer Program was also recently granted non profit status with the Internal Revenue Service.

For more information regarding the Campbell Police Department Explorer Program please contact: Paula Gallagher at (408) 866-2126 or Officer Heitzman at (408) 866-2708.



Significant Cases

During 2012, the Campbell Police Department responded to 23,736 calls for service and 11,515 self-initiated, proactive service incidents. Our officers took 5,463 police reports and made 1,687 arrests. We participated in dozens of community meetings, forums, and educational campaigns. In addition, we successfully investigated several major criminal cases that resulted in the arrest of many dangerous subjects. The following is a summary of some of those cases.

- ◆ In January, we obtained information that illegal drugs were being sold from an apartment complex in Campbell. We obtained a search warrant with the assistance of the Santa Clara County Special Enforcement Team, retrieved 130 marijuana plants from three apartments at the complex and arrested the suspect for cultivation and sales of marijuana.
- ◆ In February, we investigated two fatal traffic collisions and two major injury collisions. We investigated an additional fatal collision in July.
- ◆ In March, we investigated a child molestation case where a father had been molesting his daughter for several years. The suspect attempted suicide but was unsuccessful and after treatment at the hospital he was booked into jail for multiple counts of child molest and incest.
- ◆ In June we responded to a report of a stabbing on Central Ave. Officers found the victim suffering from a knife wound. The suspect was known to the victim and officers tracked him to Southern California where he was arrested and returned to Santa Clara County for prosecution on attempted murder charges.
- ◆ In July we received information that a massage parlor on Hamilton Ave was a front for a house of prostitution. Working together with the Santa Clara County Special Enforcement Team, officers raided this parlor as well as three in San Jose and arrested the owners for operating multiple houses of prostitution.
- ◆ In August, several suspects broke into Fry's Electronics in the late night hours and stole approximately \$200,000 worth of Apple computer products. Officers worked tirelessly to identify the suspects. One suspect is now in custody for the crime. We have identified three others suspects and have active warrants for their arrests.
- ◆ From August to October, two banks in Campbell were robbed as well as four other banks in neighboring jurisdictions. Our investigators worked diligently to identify one suspect who was responsible for all six bank robberies. Once he was identified, officers waited for him to leave his residence on Union Ave in Campbell and arrested him, obtaining a full confession to all six cases.
- ◆ On August 17, we responded to an assault call where the suspect reportedly hit the victim in the head several times with a hammer without provocation. The suspect fled prior to our arrival. Through DNA analysis we were able to identify and arrest this violent suspect who was booked into jail for attempted murder.
- ◆ In October, after several months of investigation, Campbell PD coordinated a multi-agency gang sweep throughout Santa Clara County. This resulted in the arrest of eight violent street gang members as well as arrest warrants for several more. Narcotics and firearms were seized during this operation.



Resource Directory



9-1-1 Emergency - Injured or ill persons, fire or smoke investigations, in-progress or just occurred criminal activity, missing children, suspicious persons/vehicles or suspicious packages

(408) 378-8161 - Emergencies - Direct access to the Campbell Police Communications Center from cell phones. *(9-1-1 calls from a cell phone may be routed through the CHP to the appropriate law enforcement agency)*

(408) 866-2101 - Non-Emergencies - Crimes that occurred earlier, prior suspicious circumstances, requests to speak with an officer

(408) 866-2121 - Business Office - Campbell Police

Abandoned Vehicles	(408) 866-2712
Animal Control (Silicon Valley Animal Control)	(408) 764-0344
City Clerk	(408) 866-2117
Criminal Court	(408) 808-6600
District Attorney's Office	(408) 299-7400
Fire Department (non-emergency)	(408) 378-4010
Graffiti Hotline	(408) 866-2191
Poison Control Center	(800) 662-9886
Street Light Hotline	(408) 866-2781
Traffic Court	(408) 556-3000
Traffic Signals	(408) 866-2744
Victim Witness - (Victims of Crime)	(408) 295-2656
Volunteer Services	(408) 866-2122

Campbell Police Department - 70 North First Street, Campbell CA 95008

(408) 866-2121 - 24 Hour Non-Emergency (408) 866-2101

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