
SALT LAKE CITY COUNCIL MEMO

DATE: February 25, 2005
SUBJECT: Police Operations Bureau Briefing
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The Police Department is organized with an Office of the Chief and three bureaus: Operations Bureau (patrol); Investigative Bureau (detectives); and Administrative Bureau (training, dispatch, records, etc.)

As part of the Council's request for individual division briefings, the Police Operations Bureau will brief the Council and respond to Council Member questions. The Operations Bureau provides initial police response to all requests for police assistance and is the core support group for the Department's community policing efforts. The Pioneer and Liberty Patrol Divisions, in addition, provide specialized field assistance to the patrol units in the form of bike patrols and service dog support. Other functions in this bureau are Youth & Family Specialists, Crisis Intervention Team, retired officers program and secondary employment coordination.

The Administration has provided the following paperwork: (See attached.)

- Organizational charts
- Patrol beat boundaries
- Noteworthy events
- Response times
- Calls for service
- Sworn staffing
- Officer caseload

The following chart shows the adopted budget for each of the last four years.

Police Operations Bureau Budget Comparison		
Fiscal Year	Budget	Percent Change
2001-02	\$17,800,068	
2002-03	\$17,253,328	(3.1%)
2003-04	\$17,922,653	3.9%
2004-05	\$18,384,806	2.6%

Following the bureau's presentation, Council Members may wish to ask questions including some of the following:

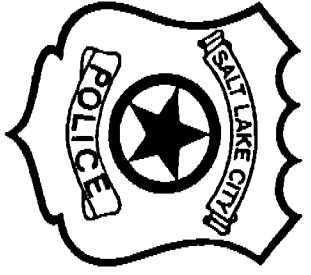
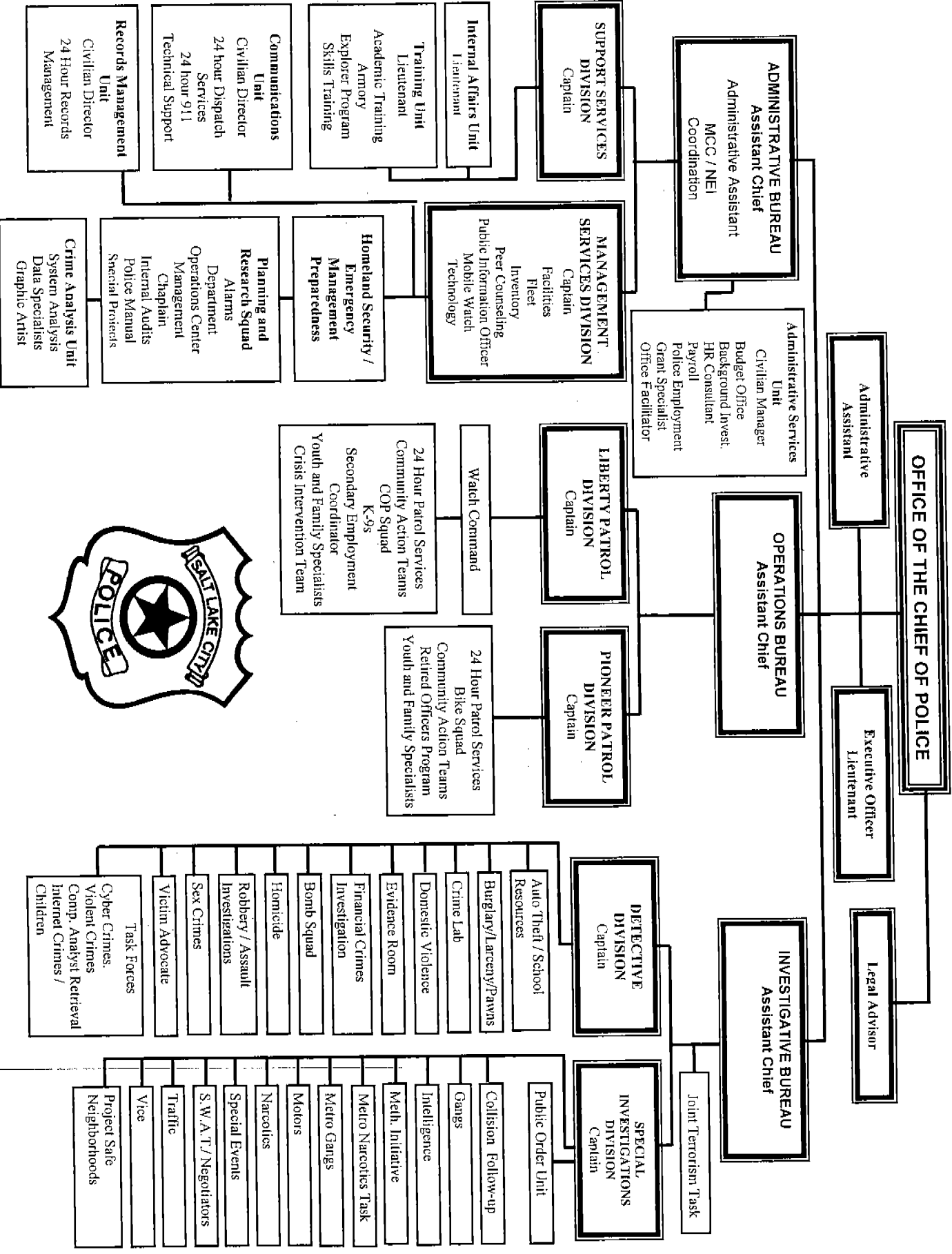
1. According to the graph of calls for service, the number of calls has decreased from 260,000 in 1998 and 1999 to about 230,000 in 2004. What do you think are some of the reasons or achievements that resulted in a decrease in calls for service?
2. How does the number of priority-one calls for service of 2,723 in calendar year 2004 compare to 2003 and 2002? Are priority-one calls for service increasing or decreasing?
3. How does the median priority-one response time of 5 minutes 30 seconds in calendar year 2004 compare to 2003 and 2002? Is response time increasing or decreasing?
4. What is the current status of vacant positions within the bureau? How many positions are being held for officers currently serving in the military?
5. What is the total number of sworn officers in the bureau and how many of these are dedicated to traffic enforcement?
6. Are there staffing options for increasing traffic enforcement? Are there options for increasing traffic enforcement in residential neighborhoods?
7. Is the Bureau taking full advantage of technology?
8. Compared to similar police departments, are the service levels of the Salt Lake City Police Operations Bureau about the same, greater or below the service levels of similar police departments?
9. What are the most significant challenges the Operations Bureau will face in the near future?

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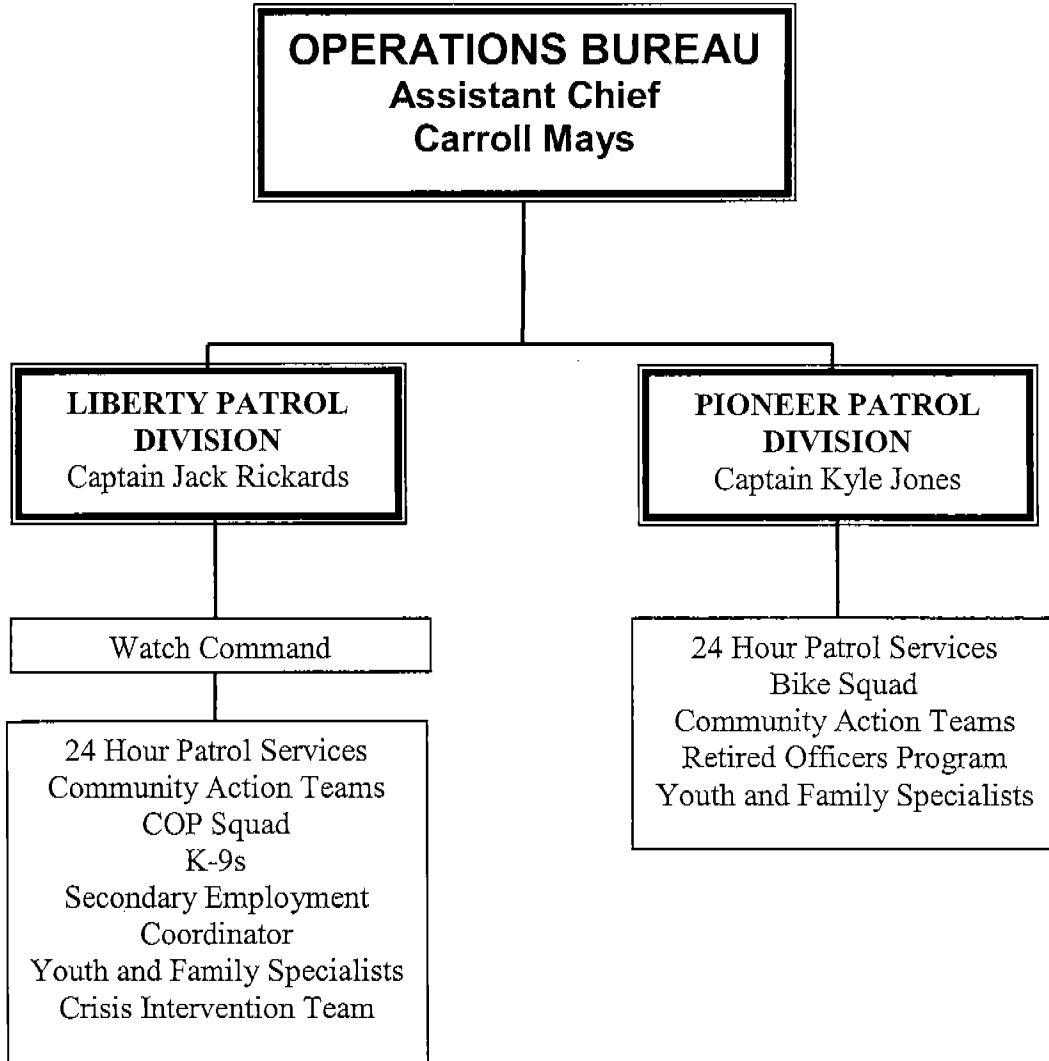
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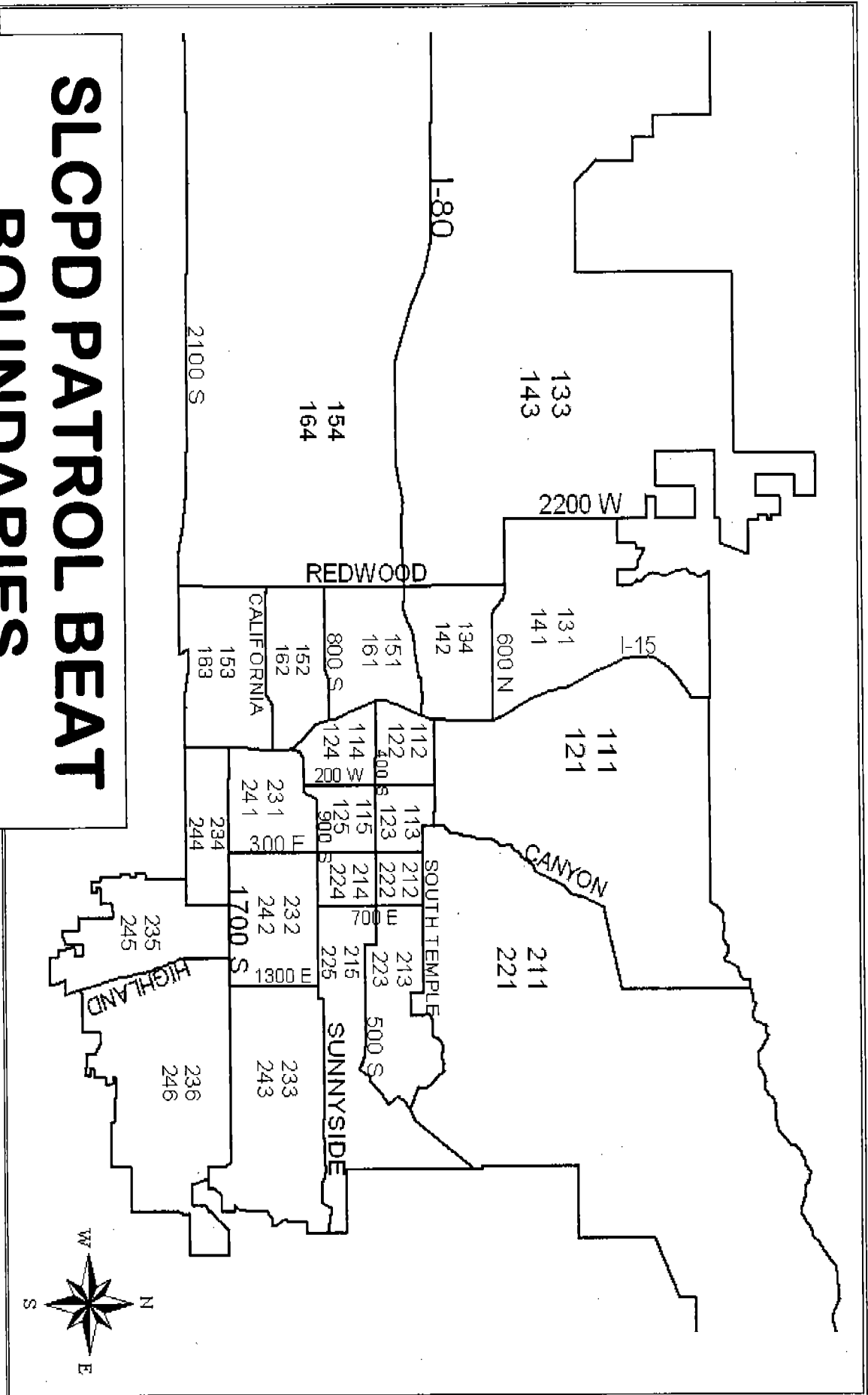
SLECPD ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



OPERATIONS BUREAU ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



SCLCPD PATROL BEAT BOUNDARIES



Noteworthy Events

Home Visits with High Risk Parole Offenders

Beginning last October officers have been making home visits with high risk parole offenders with agents of AP&P. These visits are in addition to the normal monthly home visits by agents. Since that time officers have made over 200 visits with these offenders who reside in the Pioneer Division. During these visits numerous violations have been found and approximately ten parole fugitives have been arrested. This program will occur on a weekly basis through October 2005 and longer if more funding for AP&P can be found. There are over 1400 wanted felons who live within the Pioneer Patrol Division. Since November 2004 officers have been actively pursuing these felons. To date we have located and arrested 167 people wanted on felony warrants and served 315 misdemeanor warrants. This is a division wide initiative and the goal for this year is to arrest 700 wanted felons.

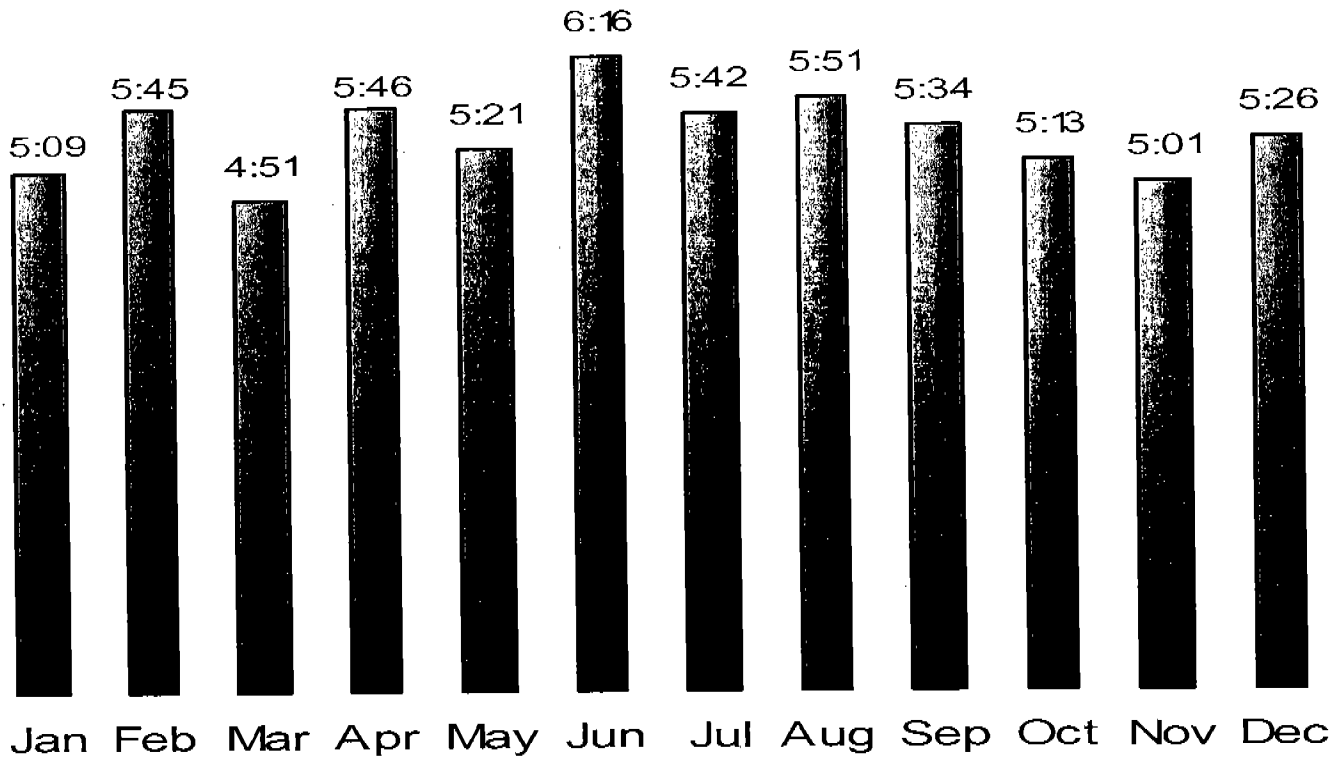
Apprehension of Home Invasion Robbers December 2004

An ATL from West Valley City Police Department (WVCPD) was initiated for a suspect vehicle in a home invasion robbery. An officer was able to locate the car and then coordinate with WVCPD. As he was talking to detectives, he observed a second suspect car pull up to the address and then leave. He stopped this car and arrested two suspects from the home invasion robbery.

The Officer later assisted in the surrender of several other suspects at the residence. Through his work, three of the five suspects were detained and held for WVCPD.

Later in the same day, he located and arrested an additional suspect for a 1st degree felony warrant. The suspect gave a post Miranda confession to the incident and a .22 handgun was recovered. This weapon had been used in the robbery.

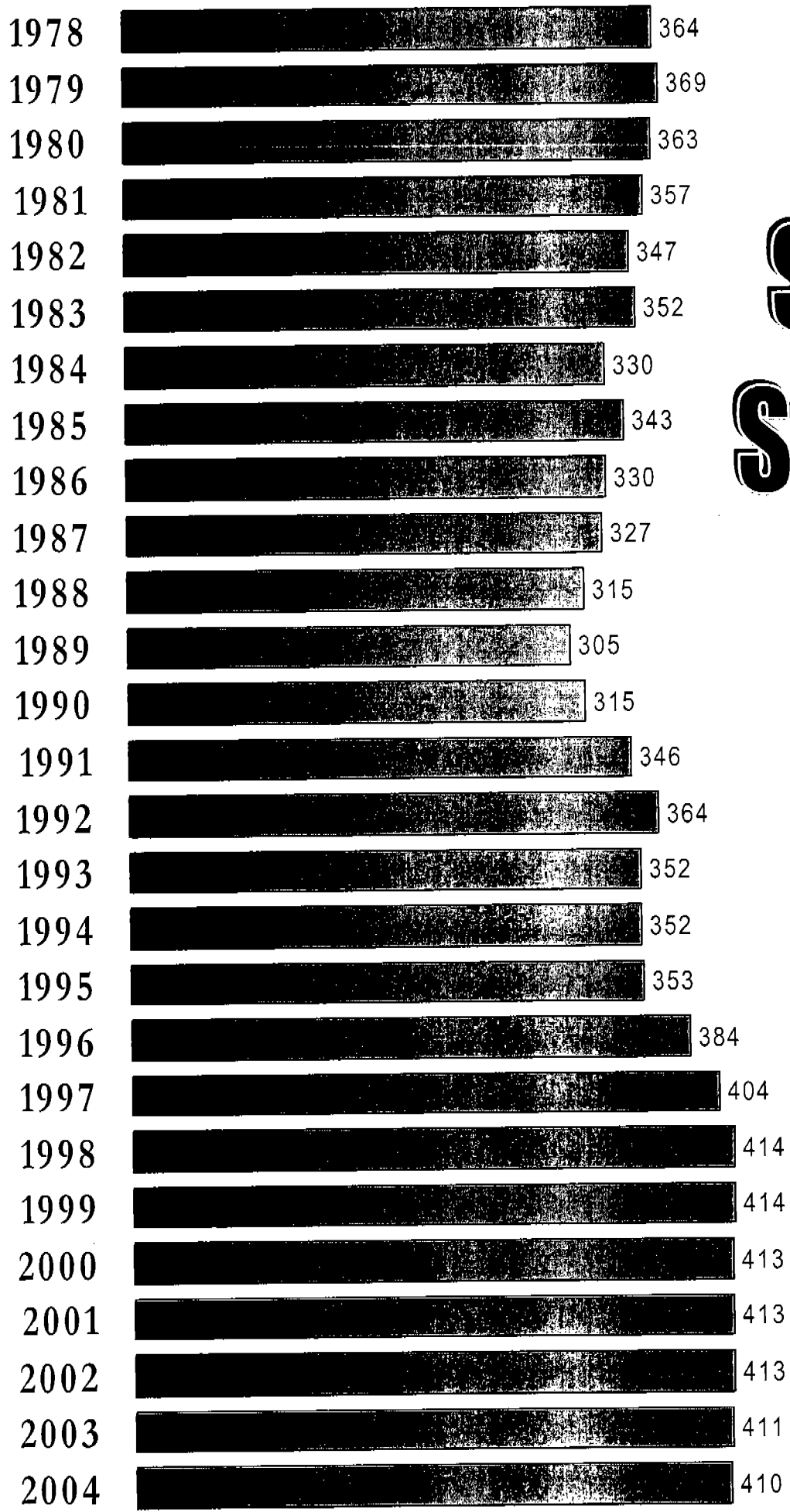
Police Department 2004 Median Response Times Priority One Calls for Service



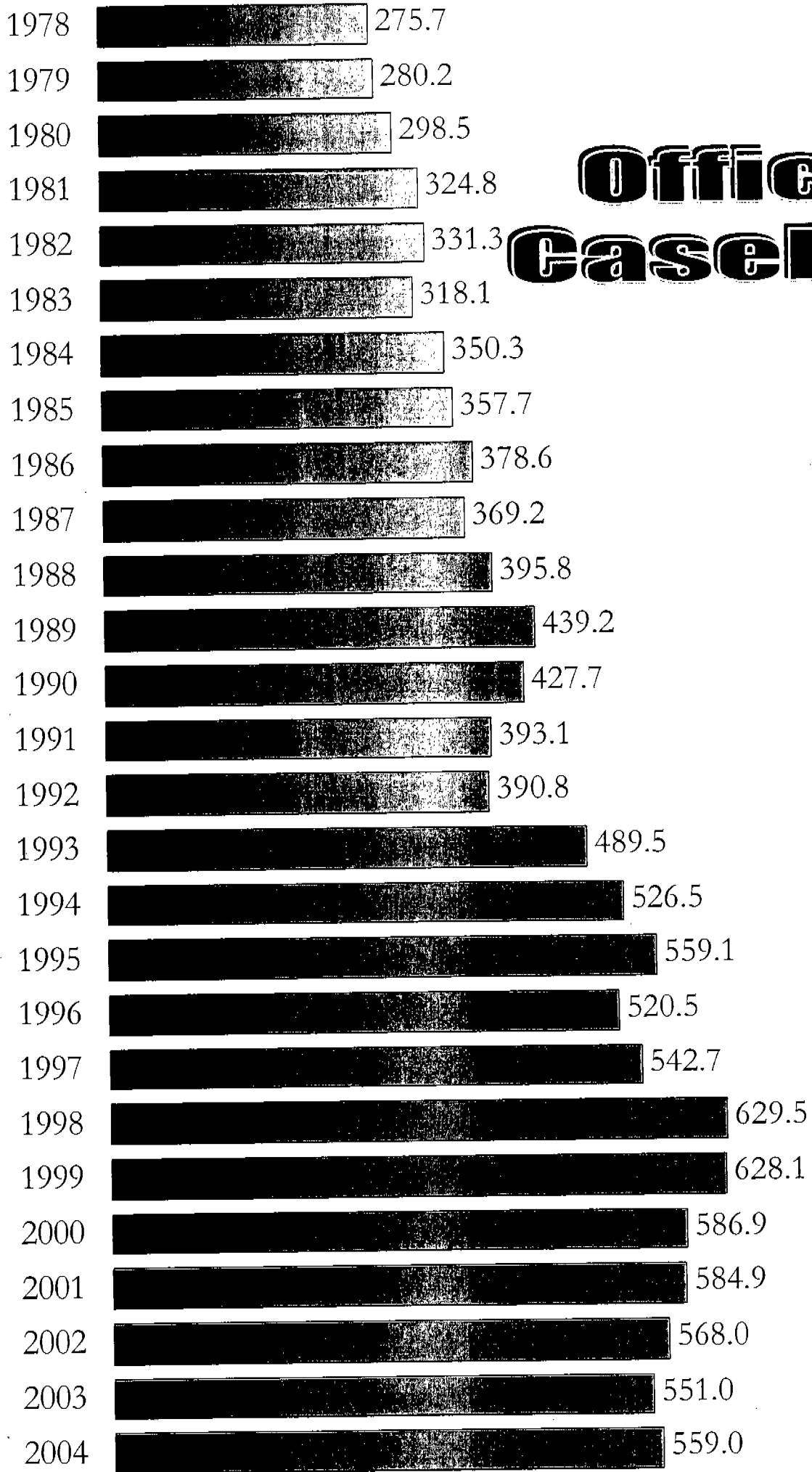
Police Department Total Calls for Service	229,656
Police Department Priority One Calls for Service	2,723
Annual Priority One Median Response Time	5:30

1978	[REDACTED]	100357
1979	[REDACTED]	103396
1980	[REDACTED]	108355
1981	[REDACTED]	115959
1982	[REDACTED]	114959
1983	[REDACTED]	111988
1984	[REDACTED]	115585
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calls for Service



Sworn Staffing



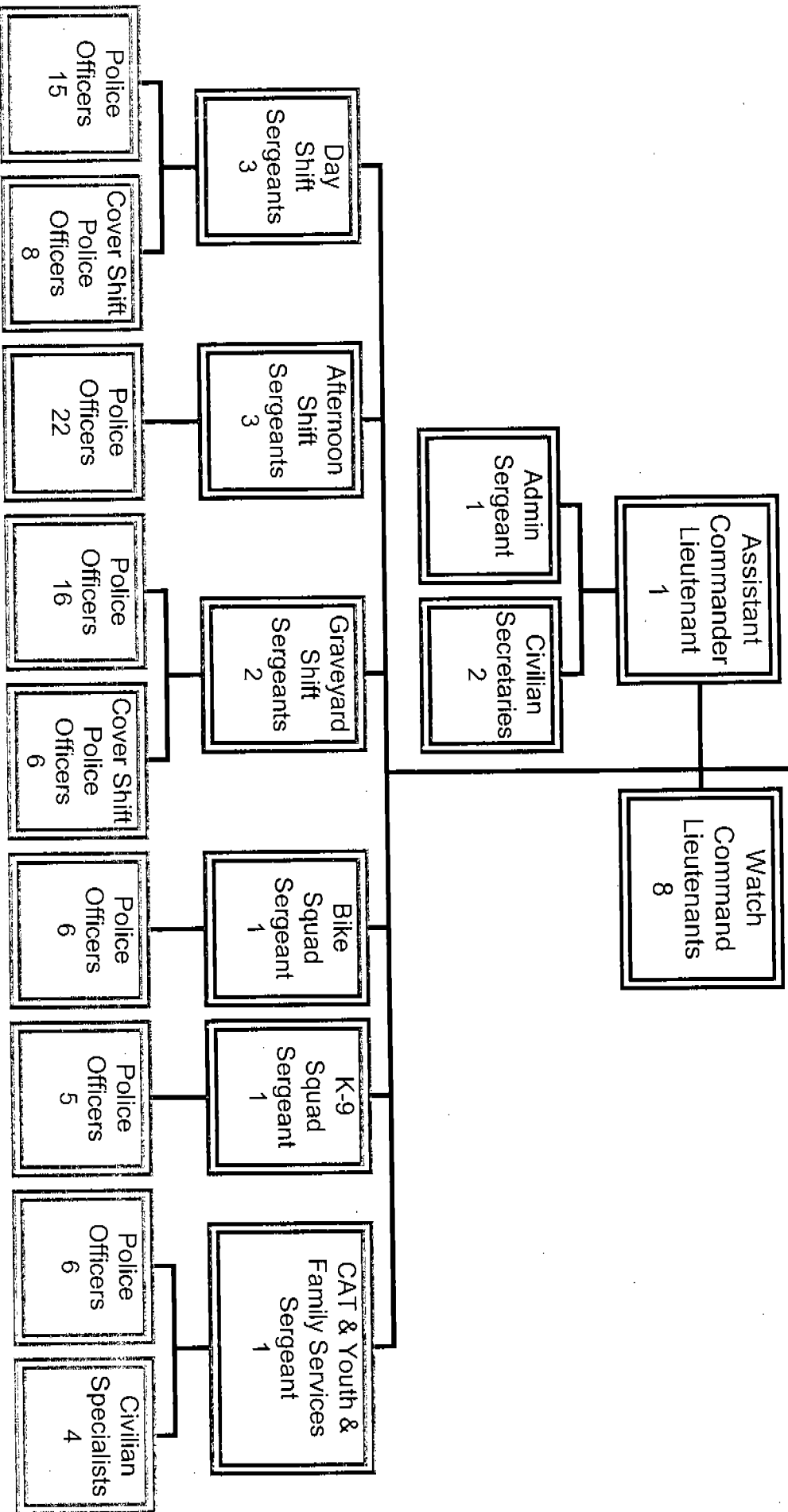
Officer Caseload

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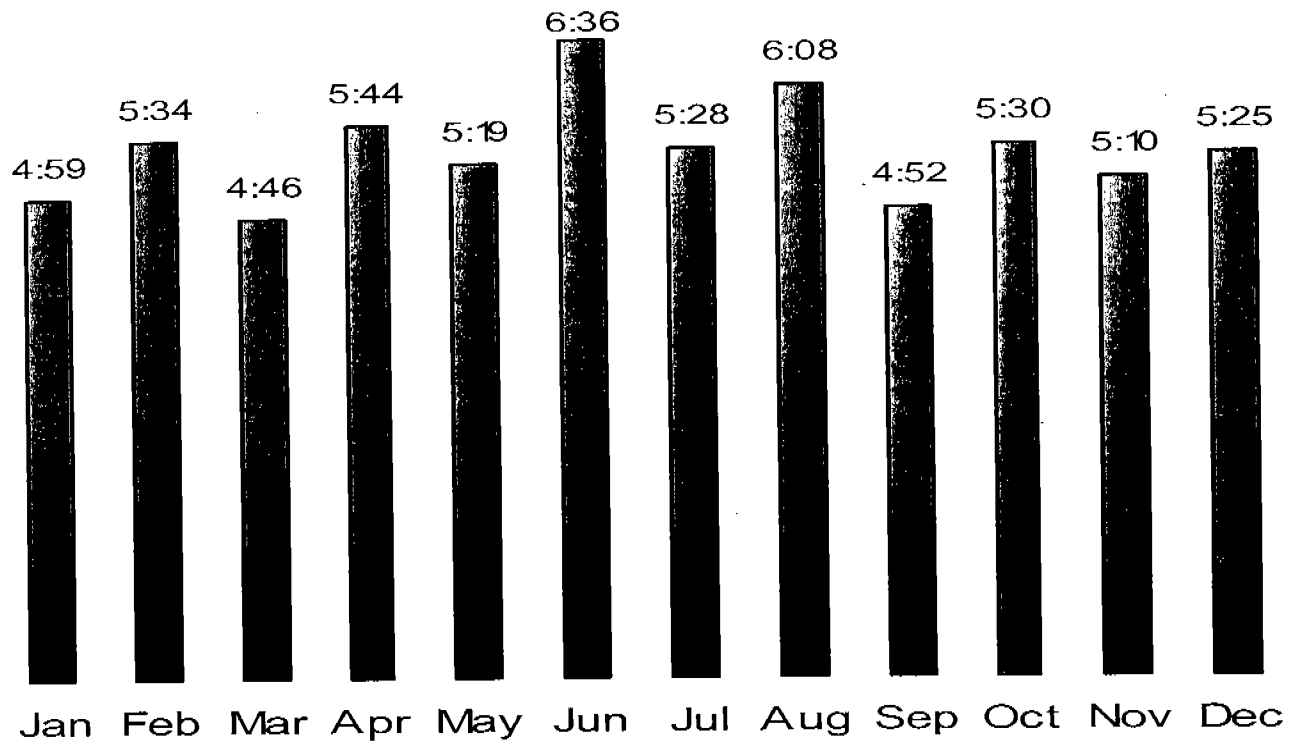
Liberty Patrol Division Organizational Chart



Liberty Patrol Division

2004 Median Response Times

Priority One Calls for Service



Police Department Total Calls for Service	229,656
Police Department Priority One Calls for Service	2,723
Liberty Patrol Priority one Calls for Service	1,299
Annual Priority One Median Response Time	5:26

Noteworthy Events

On View Robbery March 2004

An officer was holding surveillance on a convenience store that had recently been robbed. As he was observing the store, a male entered with a towel wrapped around his face and jumped over the counter. The suspect took several cartons of cigarettes and told both of the clerks he had a gun. As the suspect exited the store with the stolen property, the officer was in position to apprehend him. The subsequent investigation resulted in the arrested person also being charged with a robbery that had occurred on an earlier date.

Robbery in Progress August 2004

An officer observed two juvenile females loading beer into a vehicle outside a convenience store. He quickly realized that the activity outside the store was a result of an armed robbery taking place inside. The officer observed a customer being pistol whipped by a suspect and quickly organized the response of additional officers and acted decisively, leading to the apprehension of four individuals at the scene and the fifth soon afterward. These arrests proved crucial in solving eight additional robberies including one in West Valley City where an 80 year-old female was terrorized in her home and had her vehicle stolen.

Burglary in Progress October 2004

An officer responded to a burglary in progress call. During the previous week there had been several burglaries in this neighborhood. A witness had recorded a license plate and description of a possible suspect vehicle. After completing his investigation at the scene, the officer followed up on the suspect vehicle and later located it as well as a suspect. The officer conducting an interview with the arrested person, who eventually admitted his involvement in the burglaries and named other participants. Because of his tenacity, investigative and interviewing skills, several active burglars have been arrested. As of this date, thirteen burglaries, dating back to July of 2004 have been cleared. Much of the property has been recovered.

Noteworthy Events

Suicidal Subject October 2004

An officer responded on an aggravated assault/suicidal subject call in which the suicidal subject was threatening to jump. The subject was talked away from the ledge but would not allow officers to approach. When he consented to allow Crime Lab Technicians to take photos of his injuries, the officer volunteered to dress in Lab Technician clothing, take off his weapon and gun belt, and approach the suspect. He was able to successfully take the suspect into custody.

Endangered Citizen December 2004

An elderly citizen recently left a health care facility and returned to his residence, which has been the subject of numerous health and zoning problems. The problems had caused neighbors to raise serious nuisance concerns affecting their quality of life. In addition to concerns about the home, the health of the resident was rapidly deteriorating. Members of the Community Action Team spent a great deal of time coordinating efforts with Health, Zoning, Adult Protective Services and the VA Hospital, attempting to resolve the situation. These efforts resulted in the resident voluntarily going to the VA Hospital for needed medical care and ultimate placement in an appropriate care center. At last visit, the gentleman involved appeared to be in better physical condition.

Domestic Violence / Medical Assistance December 2004

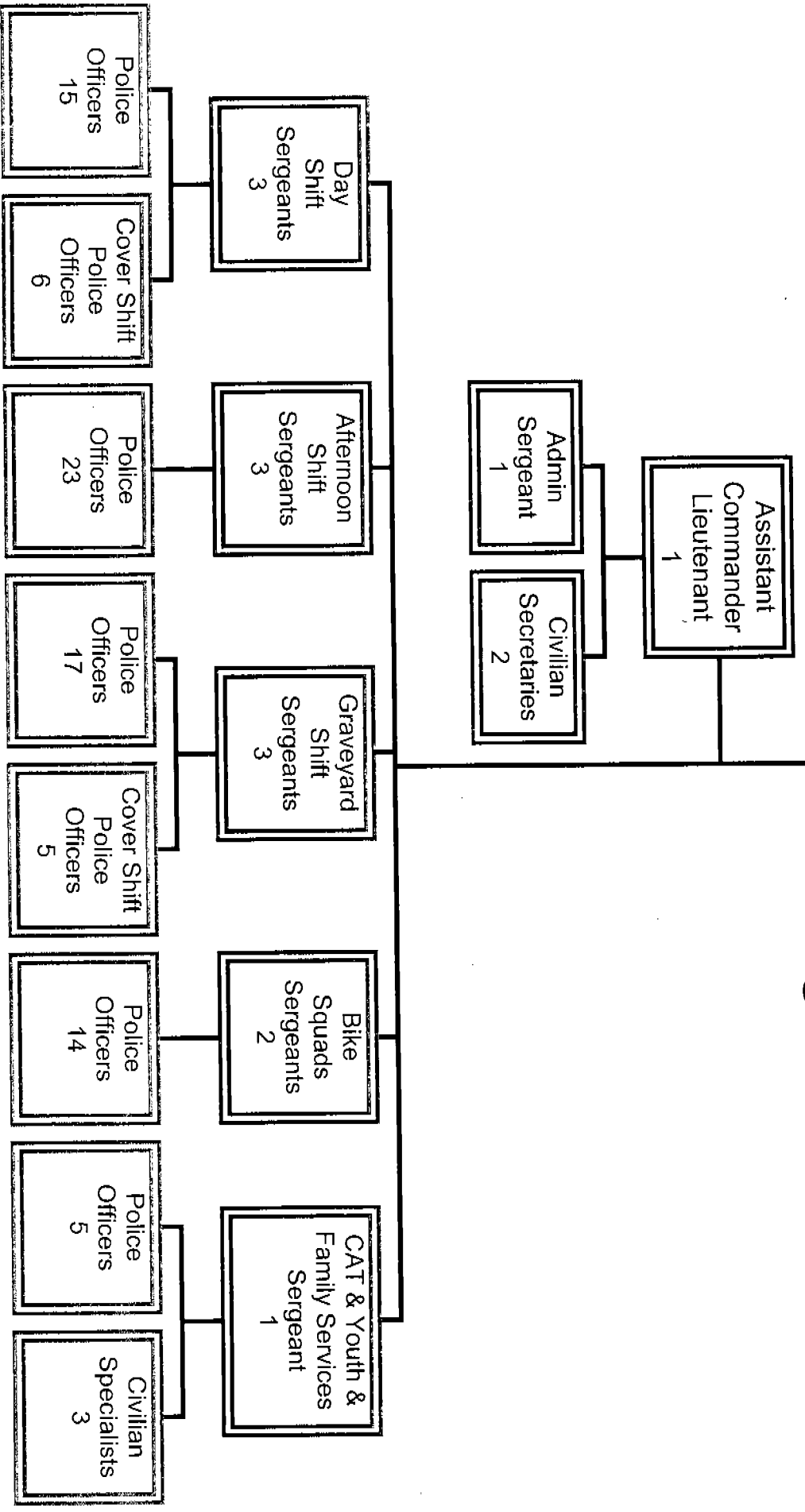
An officer responded to an unknown problem. Upon arrival, officers noticed signs that a violent struggle had taken place including a large amount of blood on the sidewalk. After a possible suspect ran from the officer, she was able to apprehend him and bring him back to the scene. Once back at the scene she realized the individual had sustained a deep laceration to his arm and she applied direct pressure to the wound until paramedics were on scene. Her actions may have saved the man from serious injury or death.

Pioneer Patrol

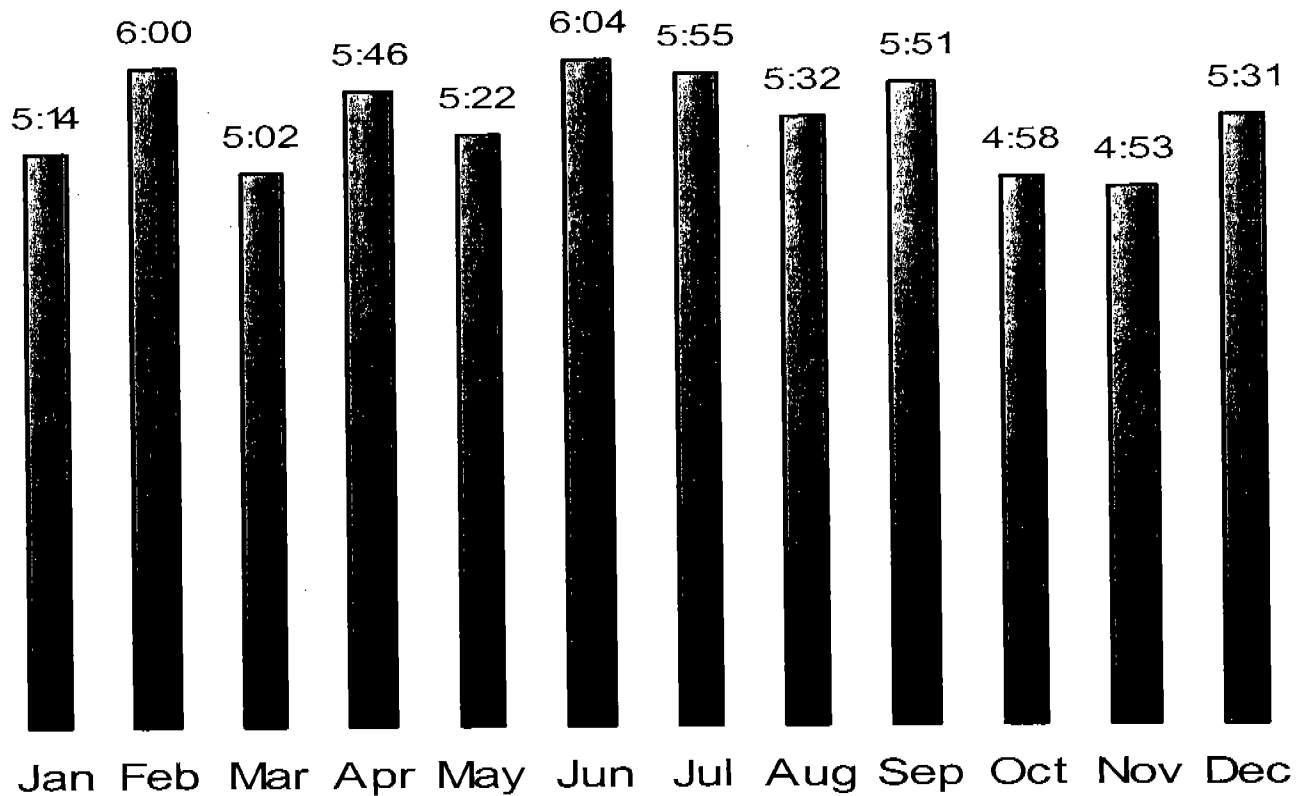
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Pioneer Patrol Division Organizational Chart



Pioneer Patrol Division 2004 Median Response Times Priority One Calls for Service



Police Department Total Calls for Service	229,656
Police Department Priority One Calls for Service	2,723
Pioneer Patrol Priority One Calls for Service	1,424
Annual Priority One Median Response Time	5:31

Noteworthy Events

Apprehension of Robbery Suspect January 2005

On January 12, 2005, the Crime Analysis Unit (CAU) and the burglary detectives determined that there was a series of burglaries occurring in one beat. The burglaries were confined to an area which was about 3 blocks by 5 blocks in size. On January 14th, the CAU completed their analysis and had identified three individuals who were possibly responsible for these burglaries. Later that afternoon the analysis of the problem was given to the Watch Commander, who was asked to coordinate a plan to resolve this problem. The Watch Commander put together a team composed of the case detective, the beat officer, and agents from AP&P. These officers began a search for the three primary suspects and located one early that evening. He was arrested on an outstanding Burglary warrant and told the burglary detective that the break-ins would "stop". On January 18th, an outside agency arrested the second subject on an outstanding narcotics warrant and on January 29th, Pioneer officers located the third, also arrested on an unrelated felony warrant. Since January 16th, only one business has been burglarized and none since the second of the three subjects was arrested. This case demonstrates the importance of team work between the patrol, CAU, detectives and AP&P and how important it is to quickly locate and arrest those individuals who have active felony warrants.

Theft / Aggravated Robbery / Foot Pursuit January 2005

Three arrested persons and a suspect entered an establishment through an emergency exit. The security guard observed this and had the clerk put all of the money in the safe. One of the individuals grabbed the empty till while the other three went upstairs. All four ran out of the building, where the empty till was tossed. As officers were responding, the four walked up to several victims that had just exited their car in the parking lot and exchanged derogatory comments. One of the arrested persons then pointed a gun at the victims and demanded the wallet of one victim. Another arrested person grabbed a second victim and took cash from him. Both victims were assaulted. The officer responding on the theft was able to capture one arrested person after a brief foot pursuit. The arrested person tossed the gun under a parked car, where it was recovered by officers. Another officer and an AP&P agent took one individual into custody. A third arrested person was also taken into custody and charged with aggravated robbery. The fourth suspect was not located. A fourth male was stopped but could not be connected to either incident and was released.

Noteworthy Events

Foot Pursuit/Recovered Stolen January 2005

An officer observed a stalled motorist trying to move his vehicle out of the roadway by pushing it. The officer stopped to help and pushed the vehicle to the side of the road. The driver however just walked away from the vehicle and the officer without even saying "Thank you". The officer quickly ran the plate and the vehicle came back as stolen. He tried to stop the suspect, who had fled on foot westbound. A State Commerce investigator saw the suspect leading the pursuit and assisted by blocking the suspect's path with his car. The officer was then able to tackle the suspect, who was wanted on two warrants for \$50,000 and \$30,000. He was also booked on the stolen car and meth found in the car.

Burglary January 2005

Officers responded to an alarm/open door. Further alarm drops indicated someone was inside. Officers contained the building. The suspect briefly poked his head out a rear door. After verbal challenges were issued and unanswered, K-9 Jango was deployed into the building. The individual immediately surrendered to officers and was taken into custody without incident. Stolen property was recovered from his person and he was booked in jail for burglary.

Voyeurism (Peeper) February 2005

An officer had been holding surveillance on one address for the past two mornings. On this date, he observed the suspect lie down on the property next to a window. The officer then confronted and arrested the suspect, who was transported to the Police Department and interviewed by Detectives. He then confessed to other incidents of trespassory voyeurism. The arrested person was then booked into jail on 5 counts.

Recovered Stolen Vehicle and Fleeing February 2005

An officer responded to an area and engaged the suspect driving a stolen vehicle. A short chase ensued and he was able to capture the suspect with the assistance of citizens / victims. This apprehension resulted in the clearing of eleven cases of burglary, stolen vehicles, and various stolen property. The arrested person is also the subject of several trespassing cases over the past few months.