

# ANNUAL REPORT

**Lake Jackson Police Department**



# 2024



As a part of the Lake Jackson Police Department's commitment to transparency, we continue to make our policies, procedures, and data available to the public. Annually, we compile a comprehensive report on crime, calls for service, traffic, arrest, training, and all other statistical data for the City of Lake Jackson Police Department. This review of 2024 also includes data from the four previous years to provide context and historical information on citywide crime trends and new developments in the department for 2024.

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# *Message from the Chief*



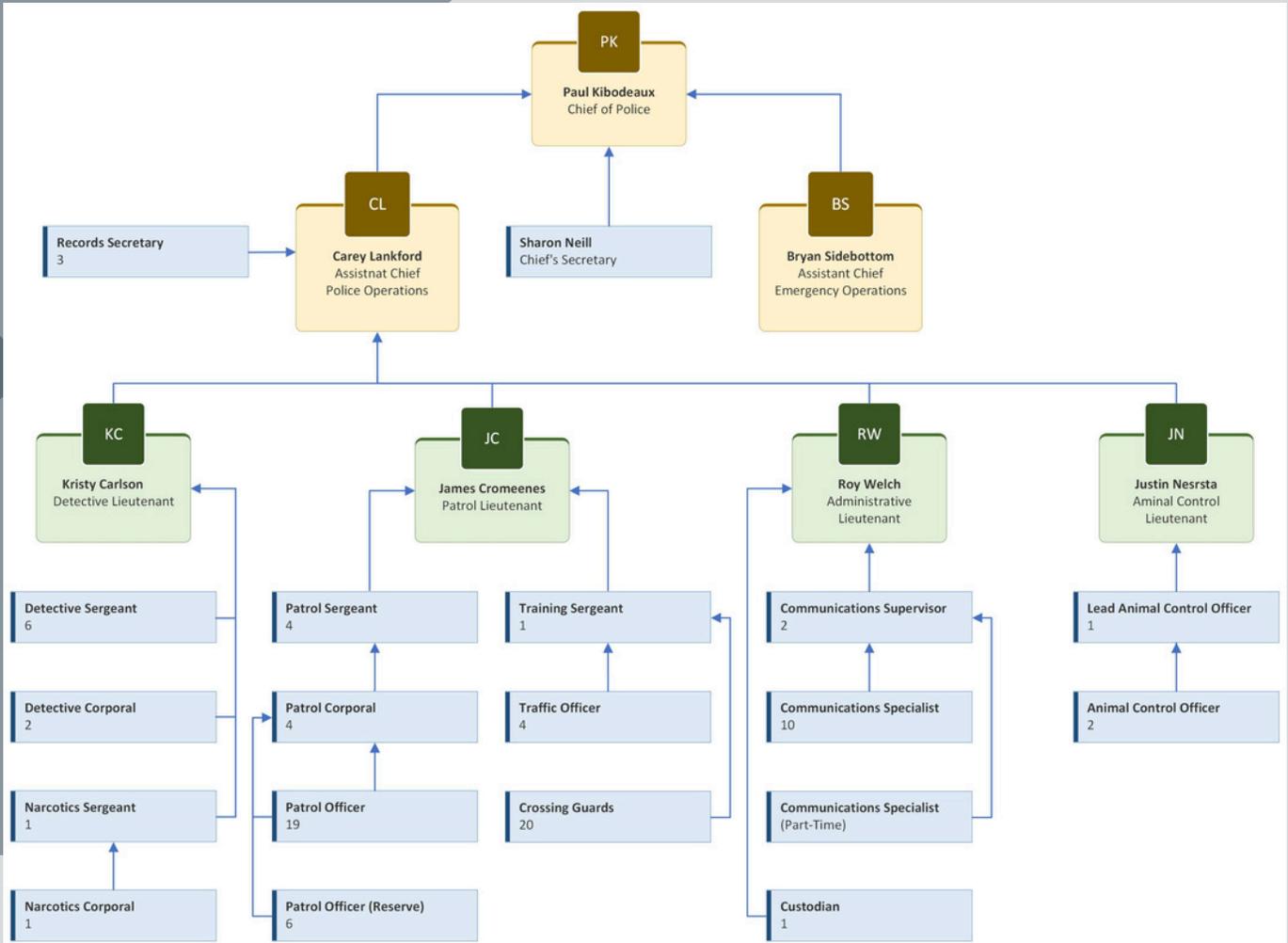
In modern law enforcement, changing technology is one of the few things to count on, and 2024 was a lot about change. At the beginning of my career, an officer gathered information for a report and handwrote everything on a piece of paper, which was then typed on a tri-colored report form. I couldn't help but feel sorry for the person who had to type the report because they had to read abysmal handwriting and be quick with white, yellow, and pink correction fluid. Thankfully, this changed for the better with a computerized report management system (RMS) which would not only allow officers to type a narrative into a report, but input important data for names, vehicles, locations, evidence, etc., into searchable databases.

It was a new age when the Lake Jackson Police Department teamed up with Central Square in 1999 with its Pistol RMS and jail management system. After 25 years of technical support for their product, which upgraded to "One Solution", we reached a point where the company was abandoning the platform for their latest system, "Enterprise". This wholesale change required us to keep One Solution afloat while IT worked to install, test, and finally "flip the switch", which happened in September of 2024. There were decades of data migration, plenty of bugs to work out, and officers put their training on the new system to the test. Like when the Lake Jackson Police Department became the very first agency in Texas to use the sophisticated Central Square platform in 1999, this will be an ever-evolving RMS/CAD system to take us well into the future

In addition to the major change in RMS, we partnered with Lexipol to modernize our policy and procedures. Moving from a policy "book", with Periodic revisions sometimes years apart and requiring the department to work off of department directives until the manual was finally updated, Lexipol provides updates derived from law enforcement best practices and changes in state or federal law as quickly as they occur. The policy is available on an application available to all officers, which pushes out updates that require acknowledgment and can provide testing for comprehension. The policy system provides periodic training on major policies and can be set up to disseminate training on selected topics as well. Partnering with Lexipol will guide our department toward accreditation in the very near future.

Along with another year of outstanding police work, these technological advances keep the Lake Jackson Police Department at the forefront of providing professional law enforcement service and will sustain us for many years.

# Lake Jackson Police Department Organization Chart



## MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Lake Jackson Police Department to positively impact the quality of life throughout the community by delivering professional and courteous services, preserving the peace, enforcing the law and Constitution, protecting property, and providing a safe environment for all citizens.

# Patrol Division

Lead by Lt. James Cromeenes

## Field Operations

The Lake Jackson Police Department Patrol Division consists of 1 Division Lieutenant, 4 Patrol Sergeants, 4 Patrol Corporals, 19 Patrol Officers, 4 Traffic Officers of which 2 are assigned to motorcycles and 2 are assigned to a patrol car, and 4 Reserve Officers.

The duties and responsibilities of the Patrol Division are to respond to emergency and non-emergency calls, patrol business districts and residential neighborhoods, enforce traffic laws, and community policing. The Patrol Division is divided into 4 shifts, with each shift consisting of 1 Patrol Sergeant, 1 Patrol Corporal, and 4 - 5 Officers. The Traffic Officers work separately from the shifts and are assigned to work primarily during the daylight hours during heavier traffic flow and respond to traffic complaints, traffic accidents, reckless driver calls, and other traffic-related calls, which are based on recent trends, construction, traffic flow, traffic violations, etc.

Each Patrol Vehicle is equipped with the latest modern equipment available to assist Officers in the performance of their duties and to allow them to spend more time on patrol. Some of the equipment to mention is radar-stationary/moving, Axon Video Cameras, advanced lighting, and safety signals, which include low-frequency sirens, an Opticom traffic control system that transmits a signal to approaching intersection traffic signals and directs the traffic signals to change, allowing the intersection to clear for approaching emergency vehicles. In addition, there are in-car laptop computers used for report writing, obtaining information from the department's mainframe computer, and obtaining driver's license and criminal history information for investigative purposes. Within the year 2024, three of the patrol units were replaced to help maintain lower maintenance costs to our fleet.

## Patrol Division

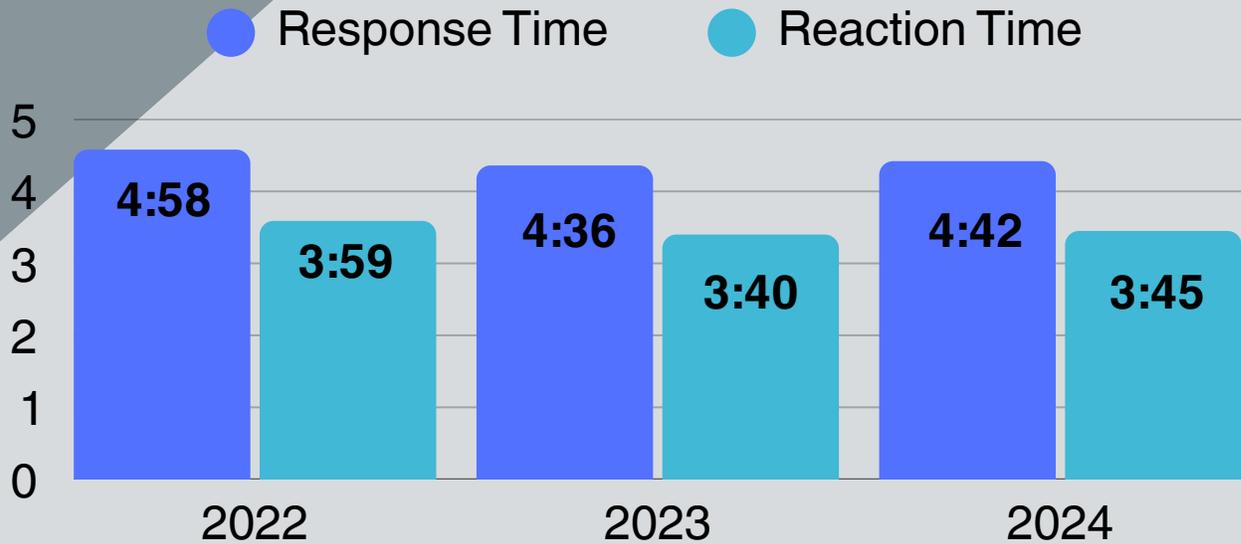
Over the year 2024, one Patrol Corporal was promoted to Patrol Corporal, and one Patrol Corporal transitioned to Detective Corporal. With this movement, along with openings, a total of seven new Patrol Officers were hired, and seven Patrol Officers resigned, for various reasons. We currently have one vacant position being held for an Officer who serves in the Army National Guard and is currently on deployment. In addition to that, we currently have four vacant positions on Patrol, that are actively being filled.

## Patrol Division Unmanned Hours

When full, the Patrol Division works a total of 66,560 hours per year. The standard total hours worked per officer each year is 2,080 hours. In 2024, the Patrol Division had a total of 7,125.75 hours that were unmanned due to personnel resigning, retiring, transferring to other divisions/departments, and one Patrol Sergeant on military deployment to the U.S. southern border. Those hours equal 10% of the total man hours or the equivalent of 3.42 patrol positions for the year.

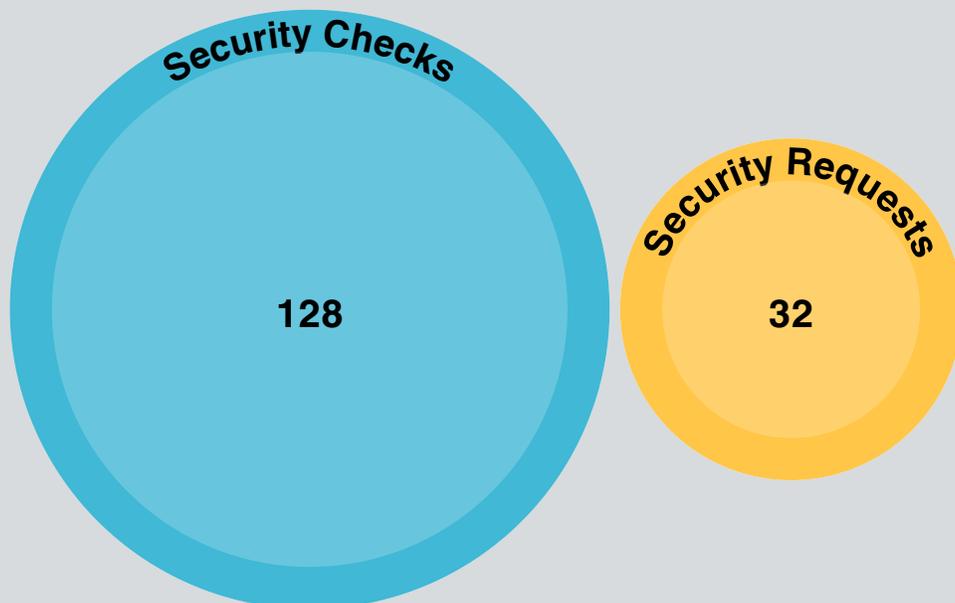
## Patrol Division Priority Calls

From the time priority calls (highest priority call requiring emergency response) were received, entered into the computer, dispatched, and arrived, patrol officers had an average response time of 4.42 minutes. We had an average reaction time, (response time after the officer received the call) of 3.45 minutes. Reaction time is the actual response time police agencies use for response time statistics.



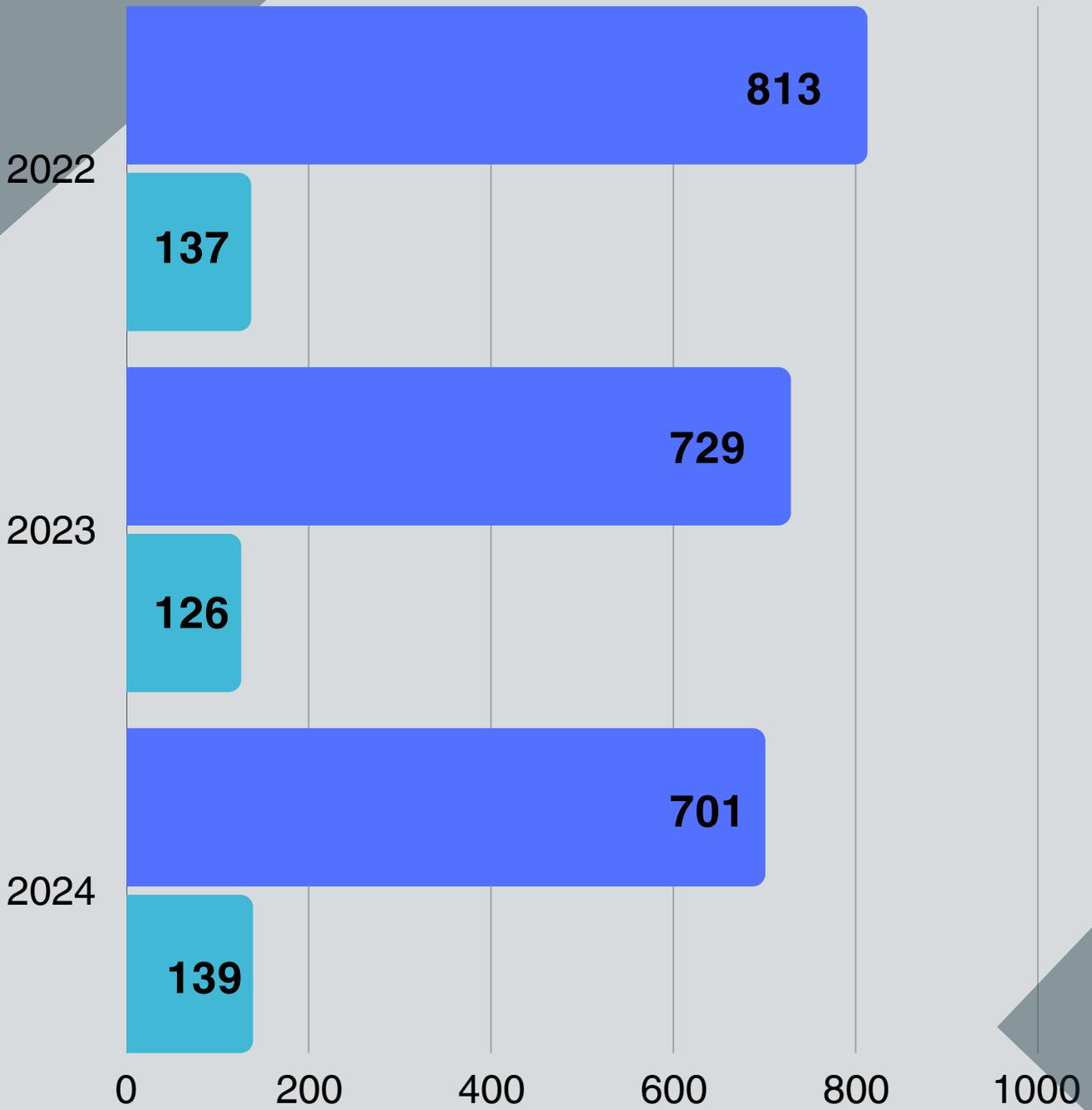
## Patrol Division Security Checks

As a further service to our community, the police department offers residential security checks. Officers will check residences for a maximum of thirty days while the homeowner is away. In 2023, the police department received 117 requests for residential security checks and recorded 428 responses to these requests.



# Patrol Division Worked Accidents

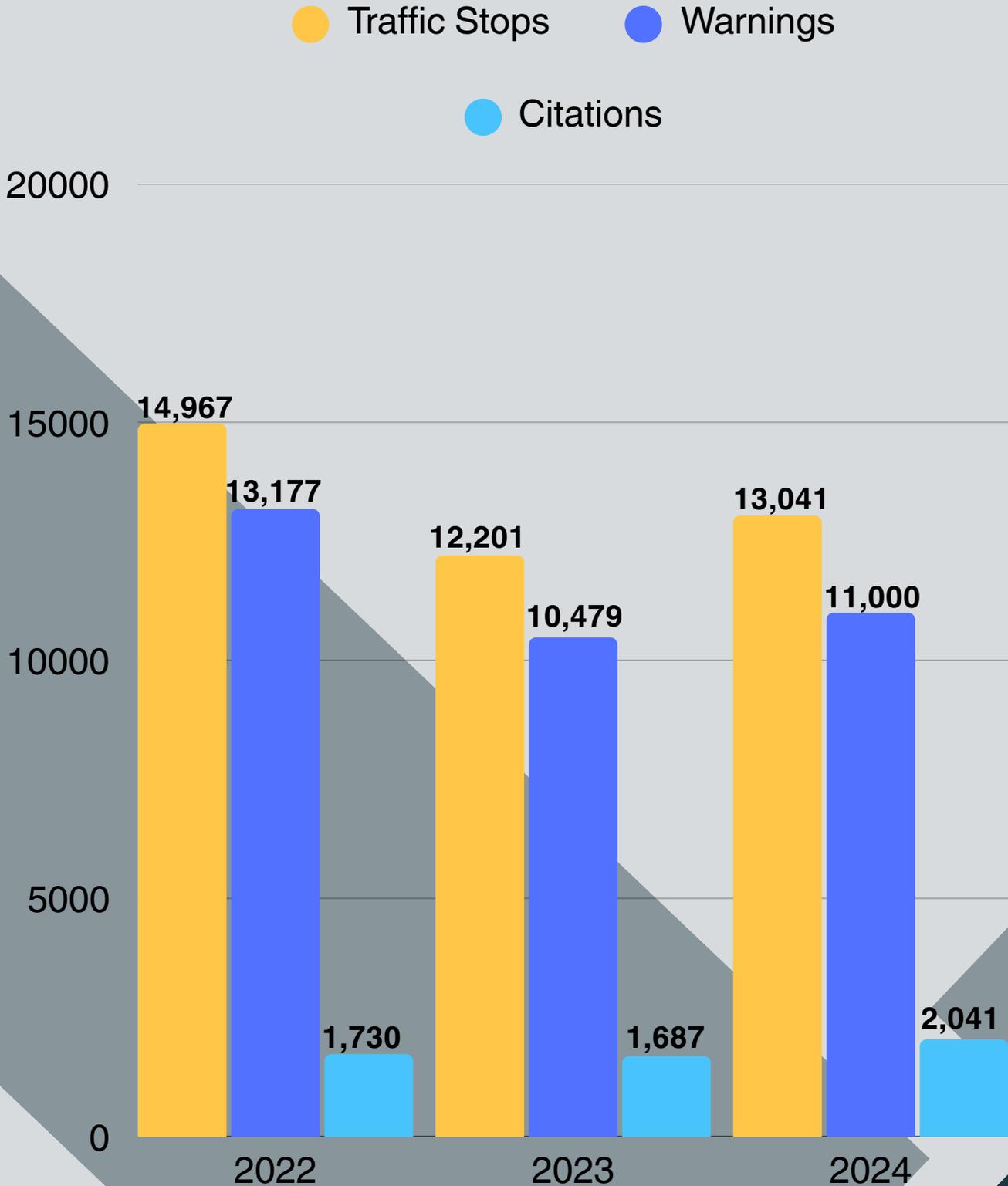
● Total Accidents    ● Injury Accidents



2 Fatality Accidents in 2024

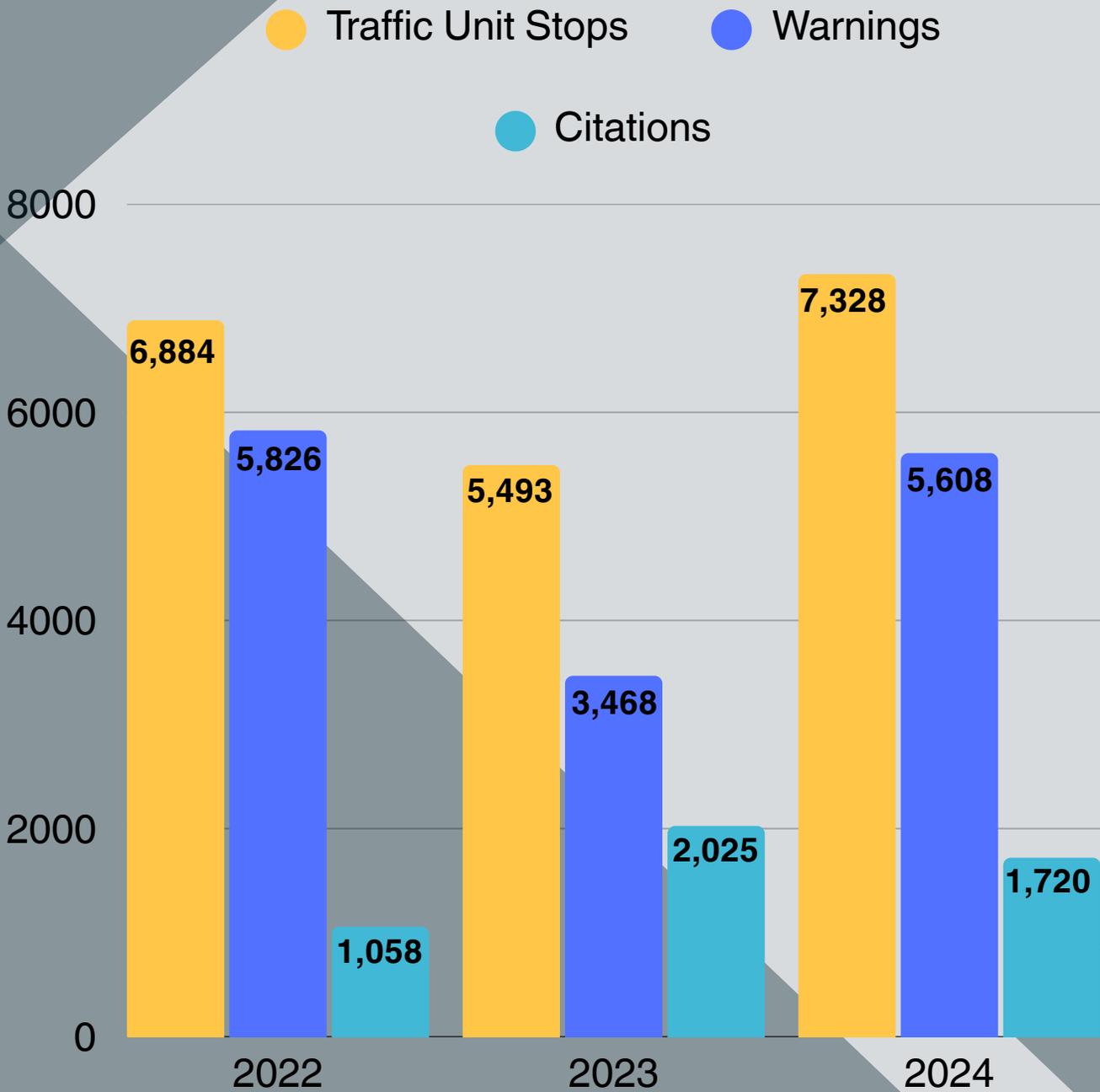
## Traffic Offenses

In 2024 the overall number of traffic stops made by the entire Patrol Division was 13,041. Those stops either resulted in a Citation filed through the Municipal Court and potentially punishable by fine, or a Warning, meant to educate motorists of traffic laws and dissuade them from committing future traffic related violations.



## Traffic Unit

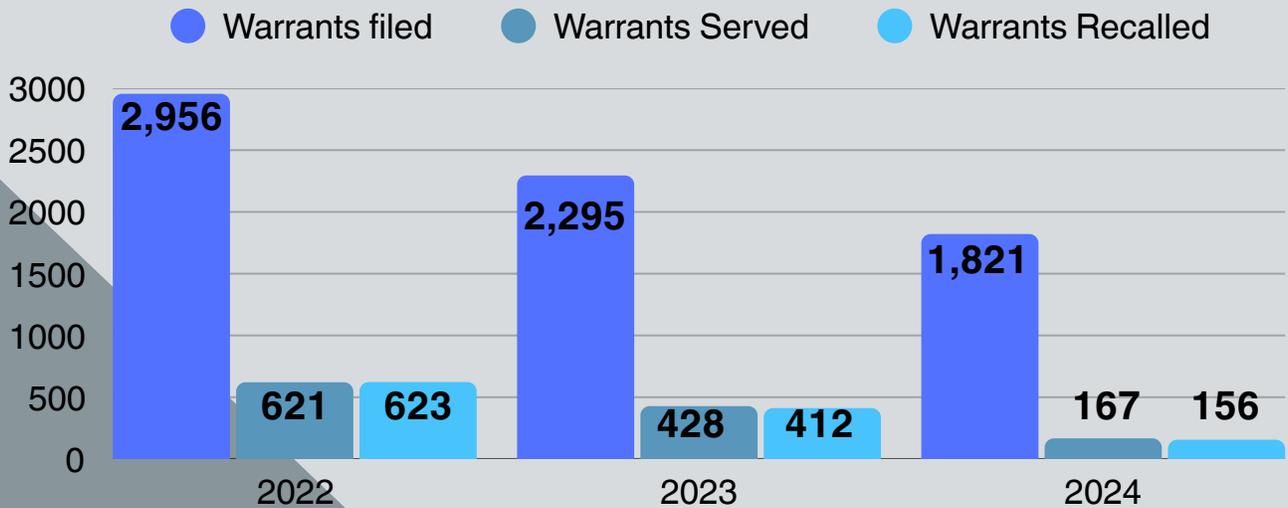
The Traffic Unit consists of four officers, two officers who are trained to use motorcycles, and two officers assigned to vehicles. All officers of the Traffic Unit have additional training for the investigation of vehicle crashes. In 2024 the Traffic Unit alone was responsible for 56% of all traffic stops.



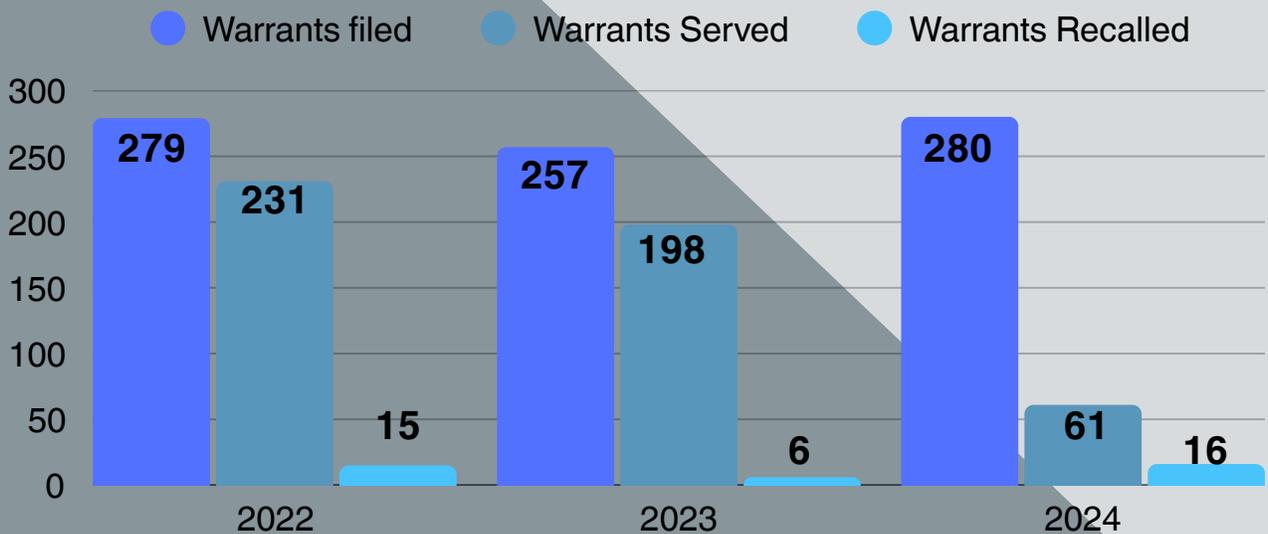
## Warrant Activity

The charts below describe our warrant activity for the previous five years. Warrants we manage are issued through our Municipal Court and Justice of the Peace Court. All officers are responsible for warrant execution, which encompasses locating and arresting the wanted person. Our Communications Specialist enters warrants from the courts into our computer database and maintains them in the dispatch office.

### Municipal Court Warrants

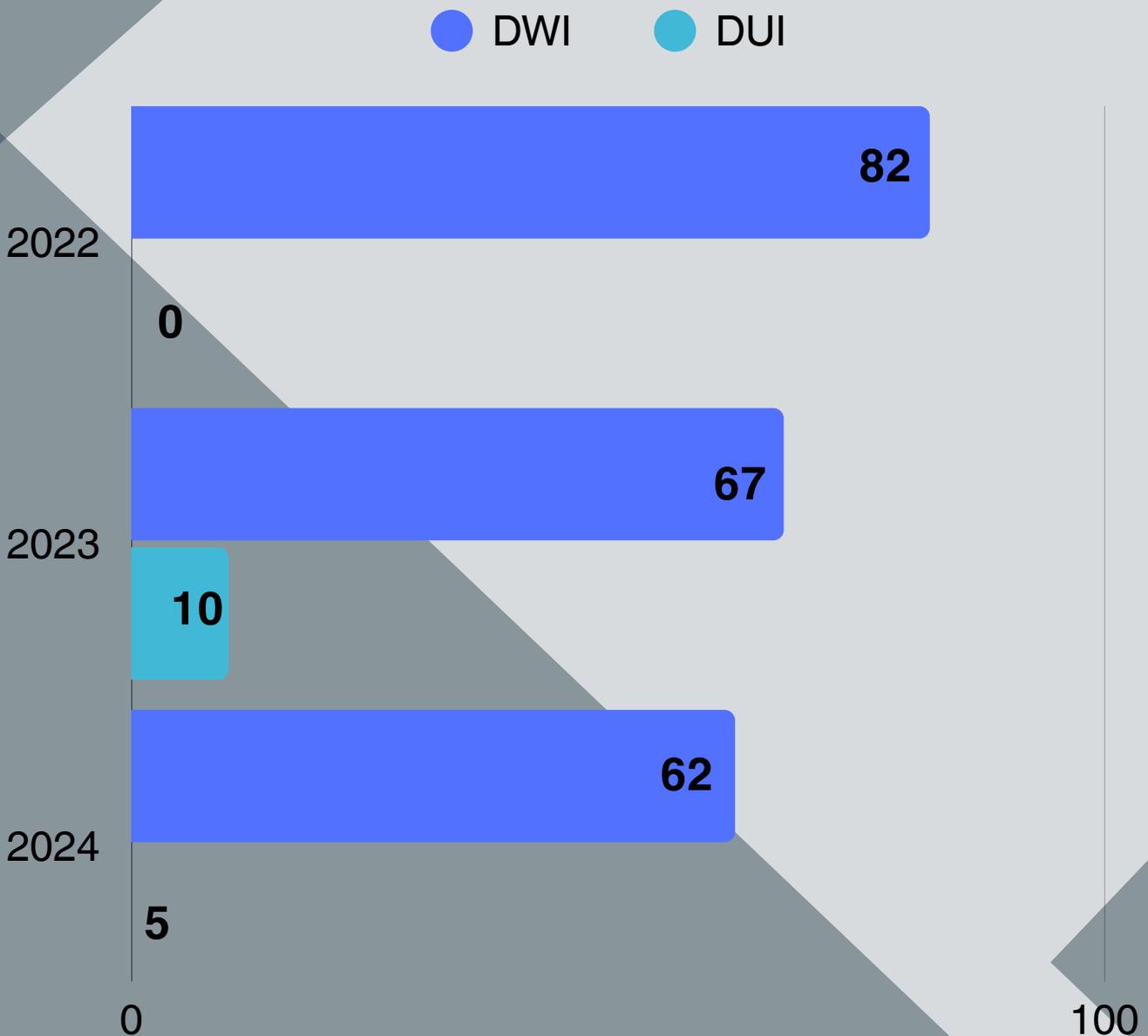


### Justice of the Peace Warrants



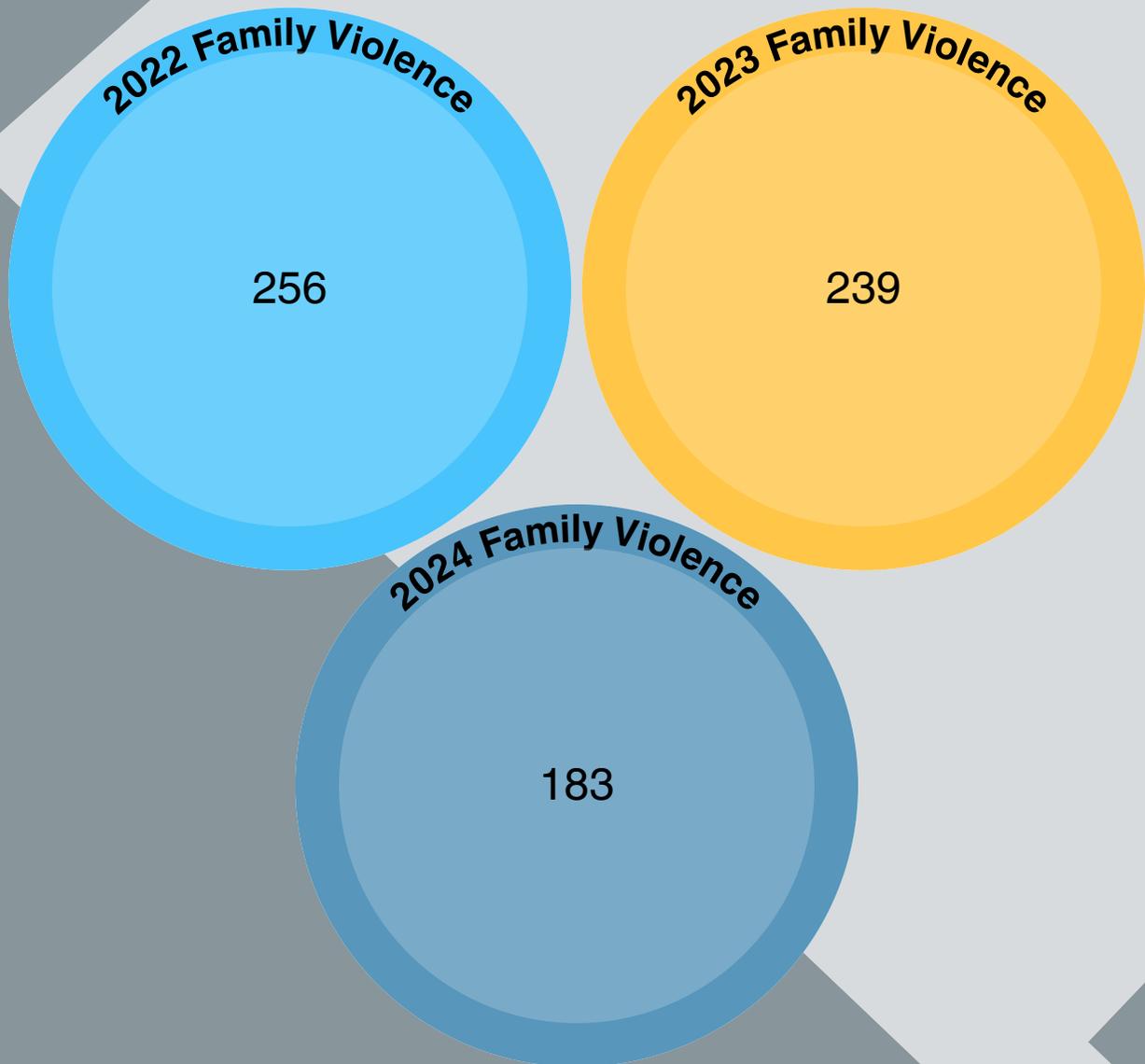
## Intoxication Offenses

Offenses involving Driving While Intoxicated, Intoxication Assault, Intoxication Manslaughter, and Driving Under the Influence are crimes committed by adults and juveniles who have consumed intoxicants and operate a motor vehicle. For juveniles, the violation is with any notable amount of alcoholic beverage on their breath which includes persons under the age of twenty-one. For adults twenty-one years of age and older, the blood alcohol level must be 0.08 or greater. Driving While intoxicated does not only involve alcohol. This offense also includes any other substances which may impair the driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle.



## Family Violence Offenses

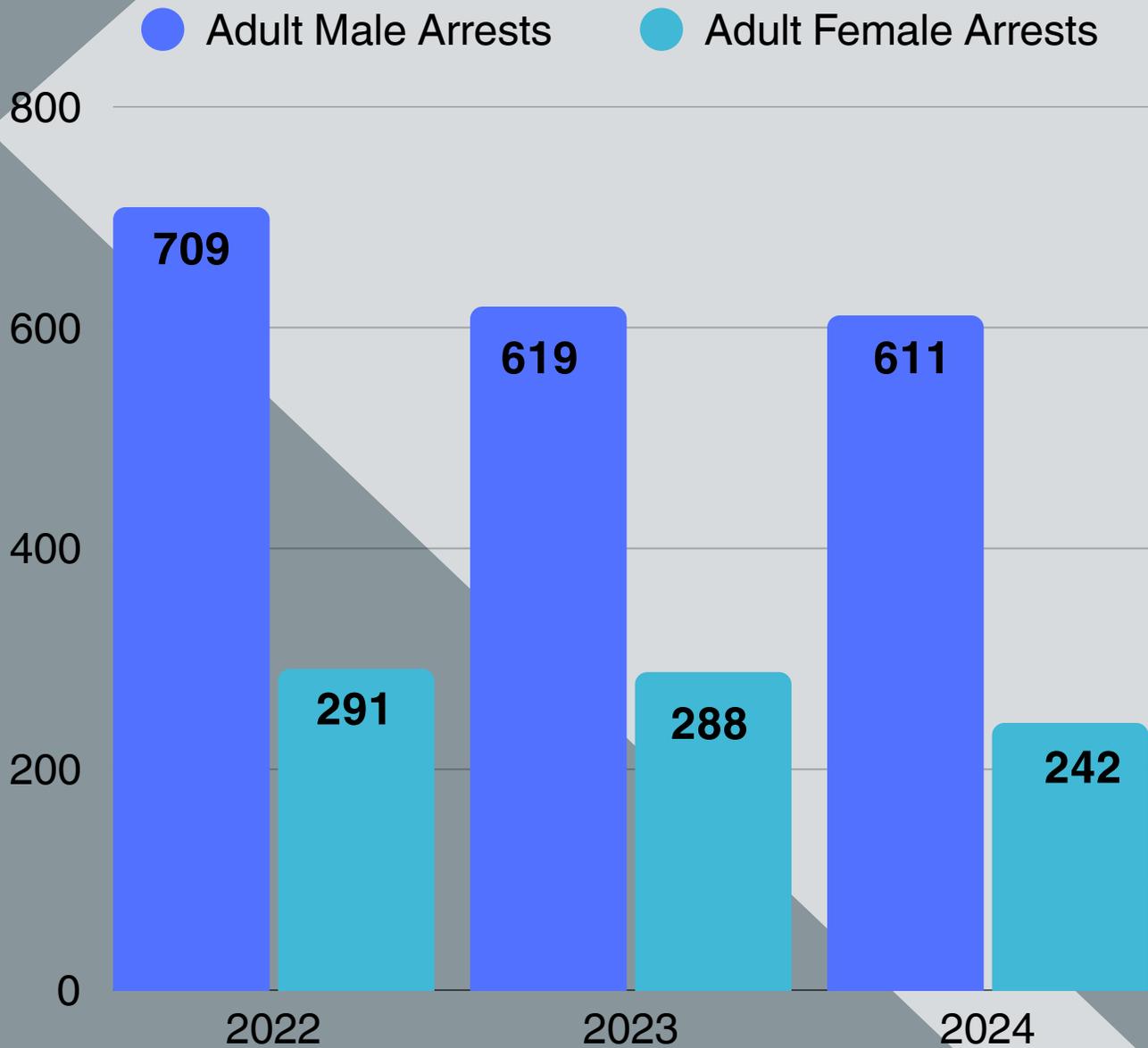
Family Violence is a continuing issue in our city. In 2022, the number of Family Violence offenses was 256. In 2023, the number of Family Violence offenses was 239, and in 2024 the number of Family Violence offenses was 183. Family violence cases may go unreported as the victims are reluctant to report the crimes for fear of retaliation.



## Jail/Holding Facility

The Lake Jackson Police Department jail facility is operated under State guidelines as a temporary holding facility providing housing, care, and custody of individuals arrested. The facility has accommodations for up to 16 occupants and has 2 detoxification cells.

Persons in custody for only Class C offenses are detained for less than four days prior to posting bond, paying fines, or given credit time served. Individuals arrested for Class B or above offenses either post a bond or are transferred to the Brazoria County Detention Center.



# Criminal Investigations

Lead by Lt. Kristy Carlson

The Lake Jackson Police Department Criminal Investigations Division (CID) is comprised of 12 officers. This division is staffed by a Detective Lieutenant, five Detective Sergeants, two Detective Corporals, one Narcotics Sergeant, one Narcotics Corporal, one Detective Sergeant/Asst. Evidence Sergeant, and one Reserve Detective.

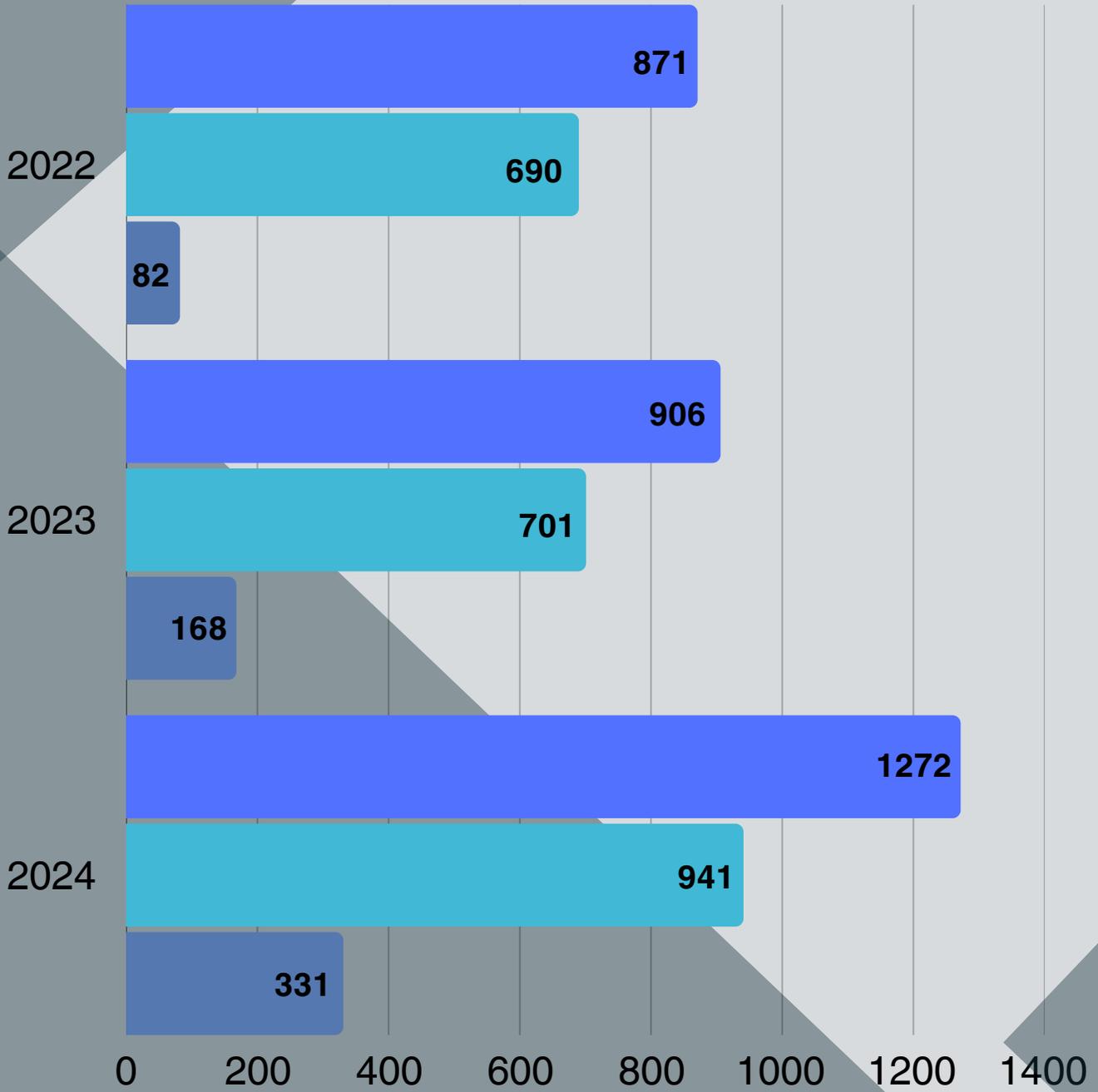
In 2024, the Drone Operations within the Criminal Investigations Division experienced significant growth, driven by an increasing demand for drone technology in both operations and investigations. The Lake Jackson Police Department Investigations Division has emerged as the central hub for aerial and digital forensic needs in southern Brazoria County. In response to this growing demand, a dedicated area within the Criminal Investigations Division was established to house Drone maintenance and Digital Forensics operations.

Also in 2024, the Lake Jackson Drone fleet played a crucial role in various operations, logging over 200 missions and over 100 flight hours. The drone's contributions spanned across multiple areas, including City Operations, Emergency Management, Search and Rescue missions, and supporting case investigations, demonstrating the growing importance and versatility of drone technology within law enforcement and public safety efforts.

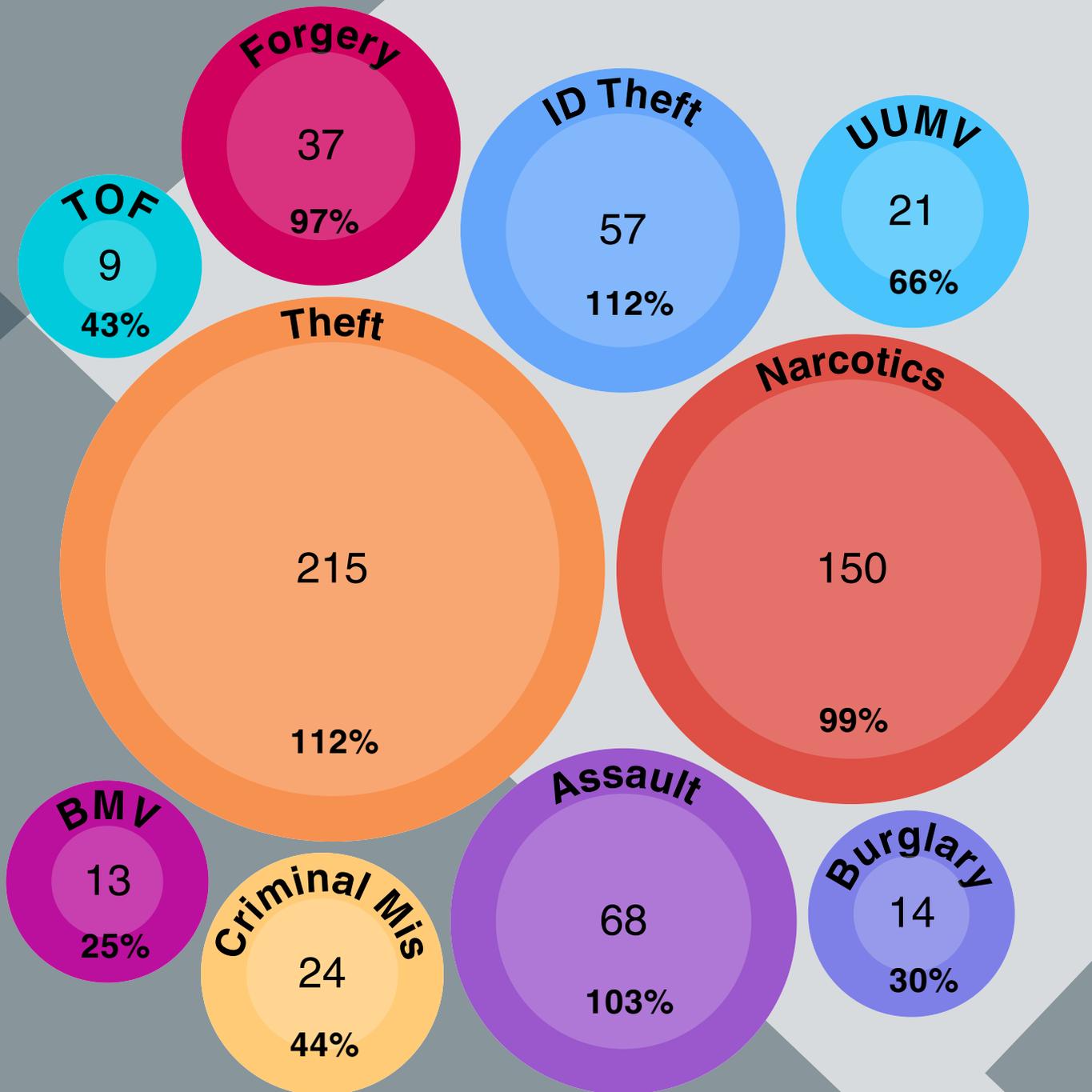
The Criminal Investigations Division (CID) remains dedicated to tirelessly and proactively investigating all forms of criminal activity and identifying those responsible. This commitment is carried out through a combination of traditional investigative methods and cutting-edge technological processes. As society becomes increasingly reliant on technology, criminals have found new ways to exploit these advancements, often using them to remain anonymous and evade detection. These evolving tactics have created a need for a new generation of investigators who are not only well-versed in traditional methods but also skilled in leveraging modern technology to uncover digital evidence that was previously unimaginable in past years. By staying ahead of these technological trends, CID is able to address the challenges posed by the digital age, ensuring that justice is served and those responsible for crimes are held accountable.

## Criminal Investigations Case Stats

Assigned Cleared Pending

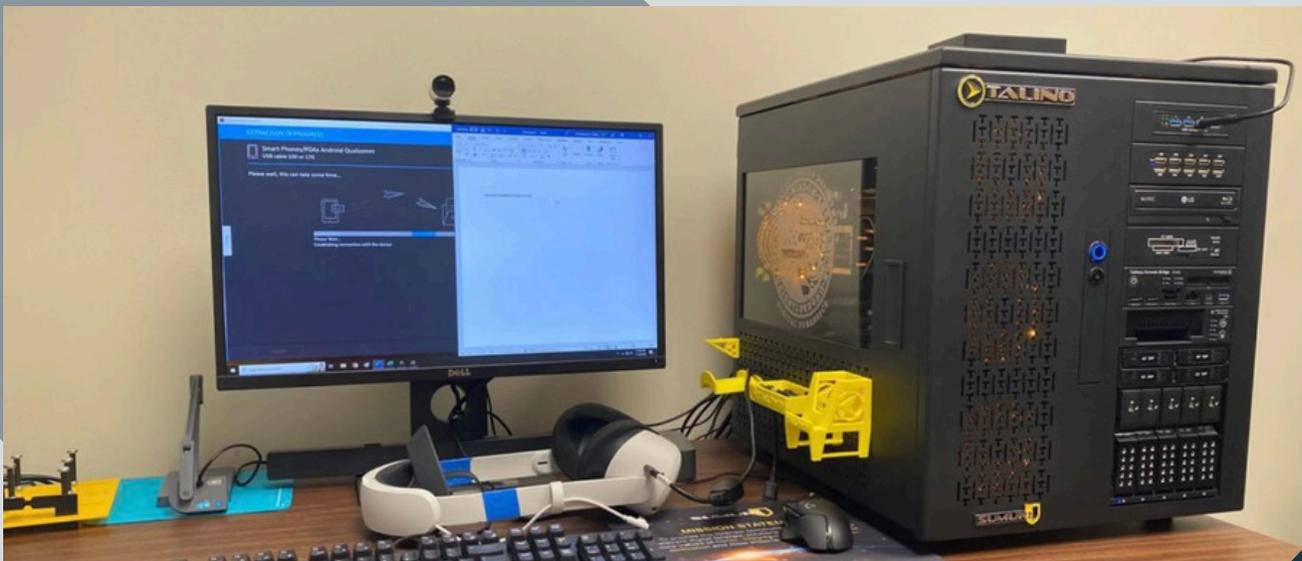


# Criminal Investigations 2024 Top Ten Offenses & Clearance Percentage



# Specialized Units

Narcotics / Drone / Digital Forensics / SWAT



# Narcotics

The Lake Jackson Police Department Narcotics Division had a very active year, both in terms of focusing on local drug issues and working with regional and federal partners. In 2023, the Narcotics Division was part of Safe Streets FBI Task Force, working on both local and federal cases. However, in 2024, the focus of the Narcotics Division shifted away from the FBI Task Force to concentrate on addressing the growing drug activity within our local area. Over the past year, the division worked diligently on cases within Lake Jackson and surrounding cities, as well as collaborating with the Brazoria County Task Force on operations within the City of Lake Jackson.

Additionally, the Lake Jackson Patrol Division has been an integral partner in the fight against drugs, working closely with our Narcotics officers on various drug-related cases and intelligence sharing. The Patrol Division routinely makes drug-related arrests through traffic stops and calls for service, helping to combat drug activity on the streets.

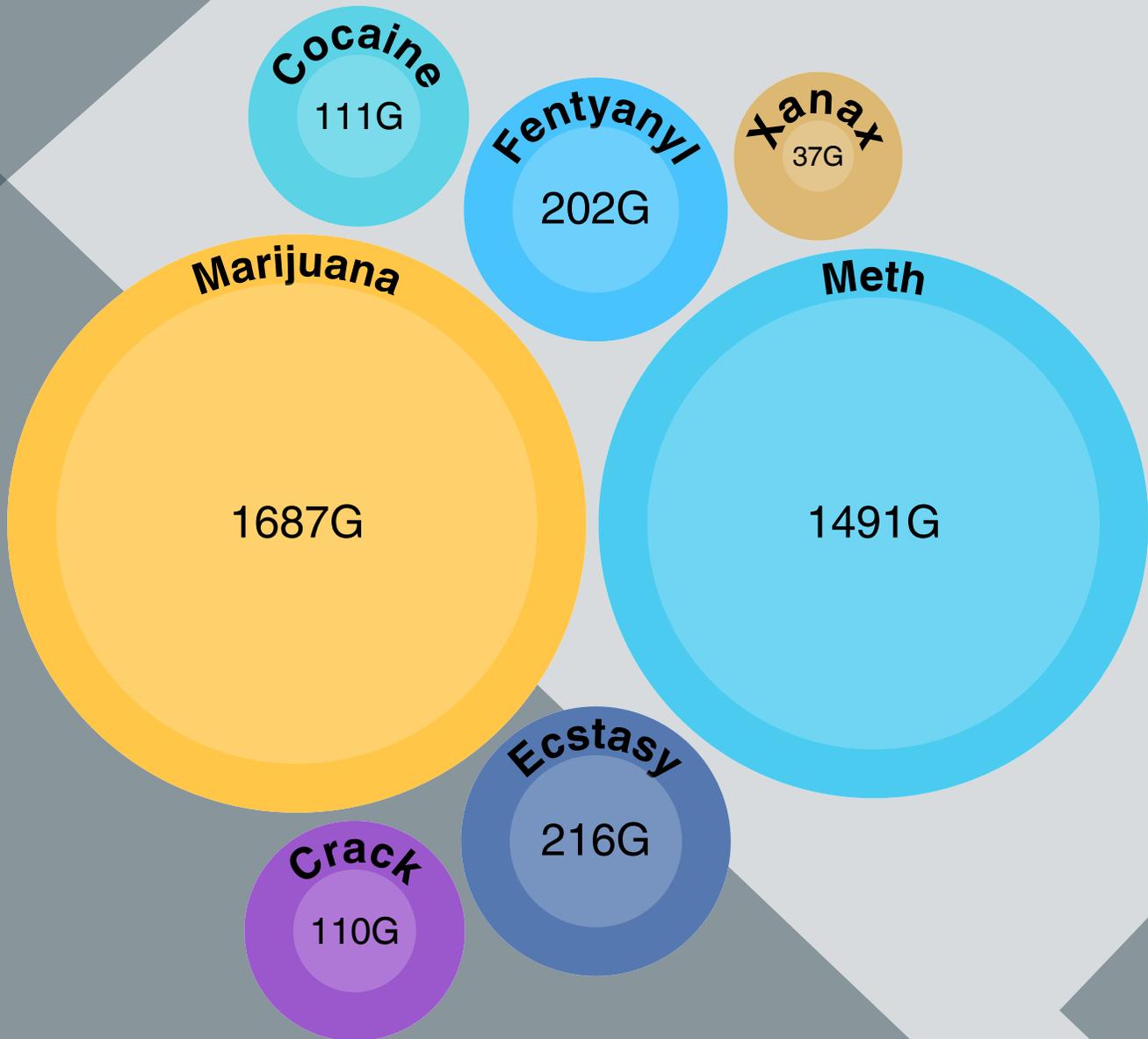
We would like to express our sincere appreciation to the citizens of Lake Jackson for their continued support of the Lake Jackson Police Department and our law enforcement partners. Together, we are making strides to keep our community safe.

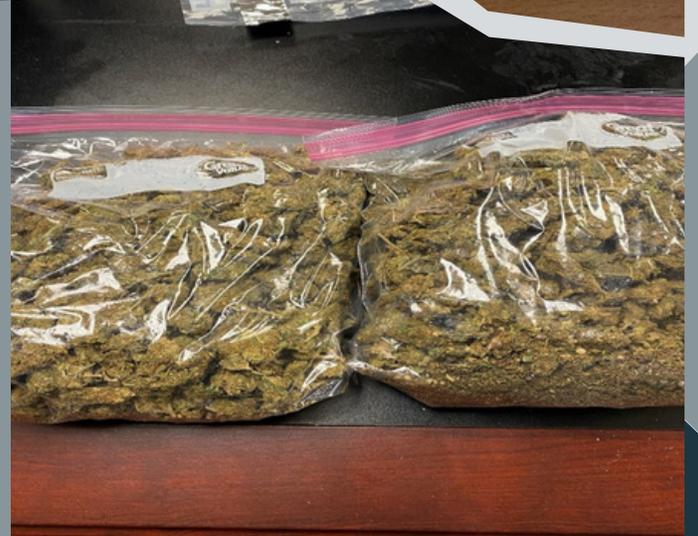
## Narcotics Summary

	Search Warrant	Arrest	Total Cases	Money Seized	Prop Seized	Narcs Seized	Forfieted to LJ
2022	9	62	99	\$900,000	\$886,268	5,166,200	\$70,949
2023	18	50	198	\$590,539	\$35,300	\$375,000	\$69,188
2024	13	25	112	\$25,075	\$57,600	\$184,070	\$25,075

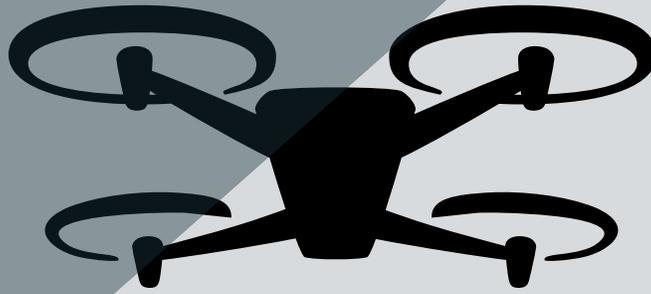
## 2024 Narcotics Seizures

- Firearms - 11 Confiscated



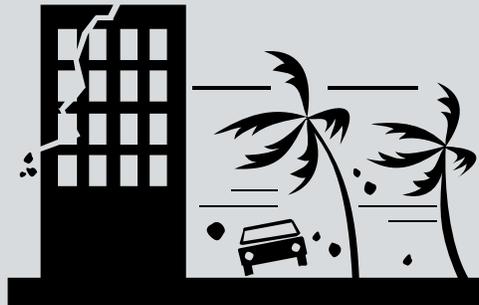


# Drone

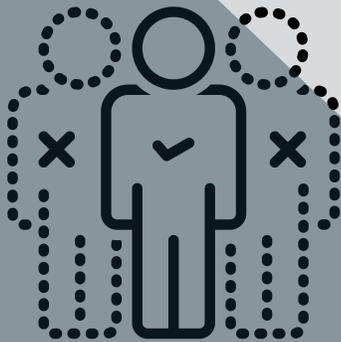


The drone team supports patrol operations as well as assisting the Special Response Team, Crime and crash scene reconstructions not only for Lake Jackson but surrounding agencies as well.

## 2024 Drone Operations Flew Over 200 Missions



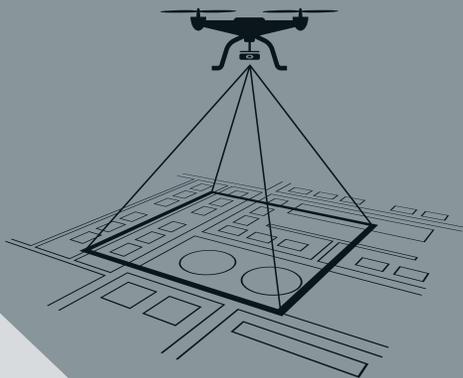
**23 Hurricane Beryl Surveys**



**6 Person Searches**



**53 Tactical Operations**



**20 Crash / Crime Scenes**



**36 City Events / Surveys**

# Digital Forensics

The digital forensics unit specializes in locating, extracting, processing, and analyzing digital evidence from cell phones, tablets, laptop, and camera systems. The digital forensics unit regularly assists surrounding agencies with their digital forensic needs as well.

## 2024 Digital Forensics

**98 Pieces of Digital Evidence Processed and Examined**



# SWAT

The Lake Jackson SWAT Team is a group of selected police officers specifically trained to handle certain crisis and high risk situations such as narcotics search warrants, high risk arrest warrants, barricaded persons, and hostage situations which are beyond the capacity of regular police personnel.



**2024 Had 26 SWAT Operations**



**2 Barricaded Persons**



**17 Search Warrants**



**4 High Risk Arrest Warrants**

# Support Services

Lead by Lt. Roy Welch

The Support Services team consists of the Administrative Lieutenant, the Training Sergeant/Community Relations, two (2) full-time Communications Leaders, ten (10) full-time Communications Specialists, two (2) part-time Communications Specialists, three (3) Record Secretaries, one Administrative Secretary, twenty-two (22) crossing guards, and one Custodian. Two (2) Systems Analysts, who are a part of the city's Information Technologies Department; a division of Finance, are permanently assigned and stationed within the police department for continuous direct support.

2024 saw the completion of upgrading the over 20-year-old Central Square OneSolution RMS, CAD system to the new Central Square Enterprise System for RMS, Jail, and CAD. The upgrade of the 911 system to the new NexGen 911 platform enhances the overall capability of the 911 system throughout the entire region. This 911 system further aids in new-generation locating capabilities when someone calls from a cellular phone. The phone system was reconfigured to support Internet protocol (IP) for future implementation.

The Lake Jackson Police Department's Communications Specialist ("telecommunicator" or "dispatcher") personnel play a significant role in public safety. They are the citizen's first line of communication when they need any form of assistance. Each new telecommunicator must attend a mandatory 108-hour, 3-week telecommunicator course, pass a state exam, complete a 24-hour State NCIC/TCIC Full Access course along with passing that state exam, and pass a physical/drug screen and psychological evaluation to obtain the license. In addition to obtaining the license, the state requires each telecommunicator to take at least 20 continuing education hours within each training cycle to maintain the license. Telecommunicators are further mandated to take six (6) classes; Cultural Diversity, Ethics, Crisis Communication, Spanish for Law Enforcement, Legislative Update, and Cardiac Communications for Telecommunicators in addition to the 20 continuing education hours.

The duties of a Communications Specialist are extensive and vary from answering general administrative telephone calls to emergency 911 telephone calls. The Lake Jackson Police Department Communications Specialists dispatch for the Lake Jackson Police Department, Lake Jackson Fire Department, Lake Jackson Emergency Medical Services (EMS), the Lake Jackson Animal Control Department, Lake Jackson Fire Marshall's Office, Richwood Police Department, and Richwood Fire Department.

## **Support Services**

In 2024, Lake Jackson telecommunicators manually entered 2,344 warrants issued by the Lake Jackson Municipal Court and Brazoria County judges into the state and local database. Lake Jackson telecommunicators also manually entered 3,361 handwritten citations and warnings into our city database.

The majority of requests for police services come through the telephone system. The telecommunicator enters the information into the CAD system and then dispatches it to the appropriate first responders. Each documentation record in the CAD system is recorded as an “event,” and in 2024 there were a total of 61,848 events entered. Those events encompass all calls for the Lake Jackson Police Department, Lake Jackson Fire Department, Lake Jackson EMS, Lake Jackson Animal Control, Richwood Police Department, and Richwood Fire Department. Between the two (2) charts below you will find a difference of 4,412 events because of the Richwood Police Department, Richwood Fire Department, and canceled events, where dispatch received a call, but the responding officer was canceled before arriving.

The Lake Jackson Police Department saw a decrease of 917 events, the Lake Jackson Fire Department saw an increase of 315 CAD events, which was caused because of storm-related events in 2024, and the Lake Jackson EMS Department saw an increase of 158 events from the previous year. The Richwood Police Department saw a decrease of 20,319 events and the Richwood Fire Department saw an increase of 29 events from the previous year.

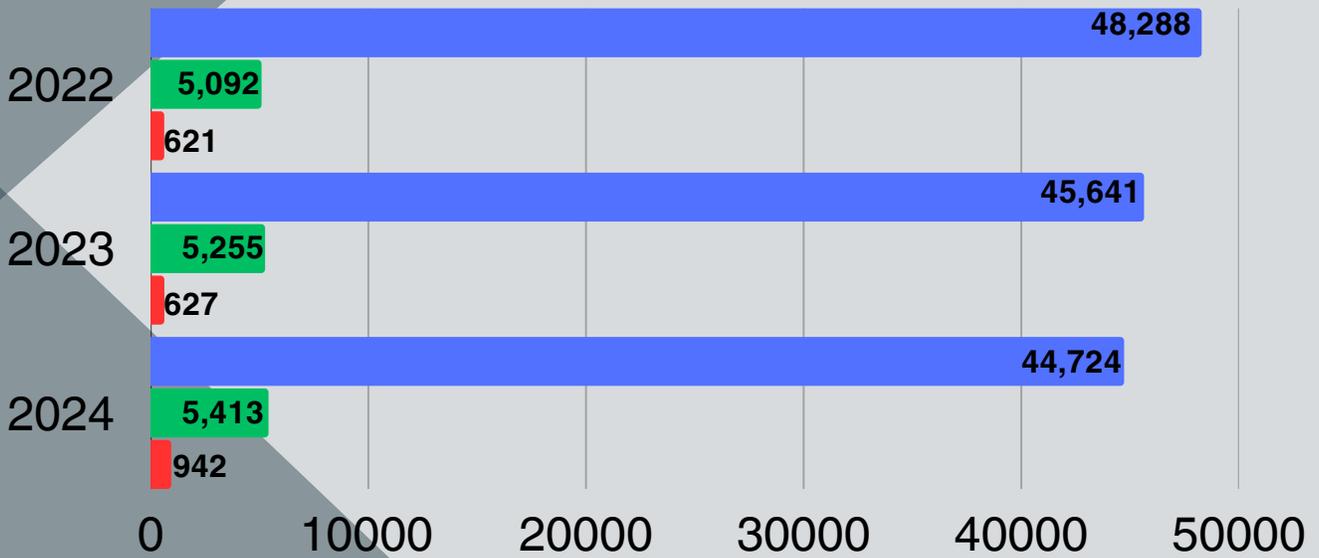
The 10,769 total events in 2024 for the City of Richwood reflect about 17.42% of the overall workload for Lake Jackson Dispatch, a service that has been provided to Richwood since 2012.

## Support Services

The below chart indicates the total calls for service for each City and Department since 2022

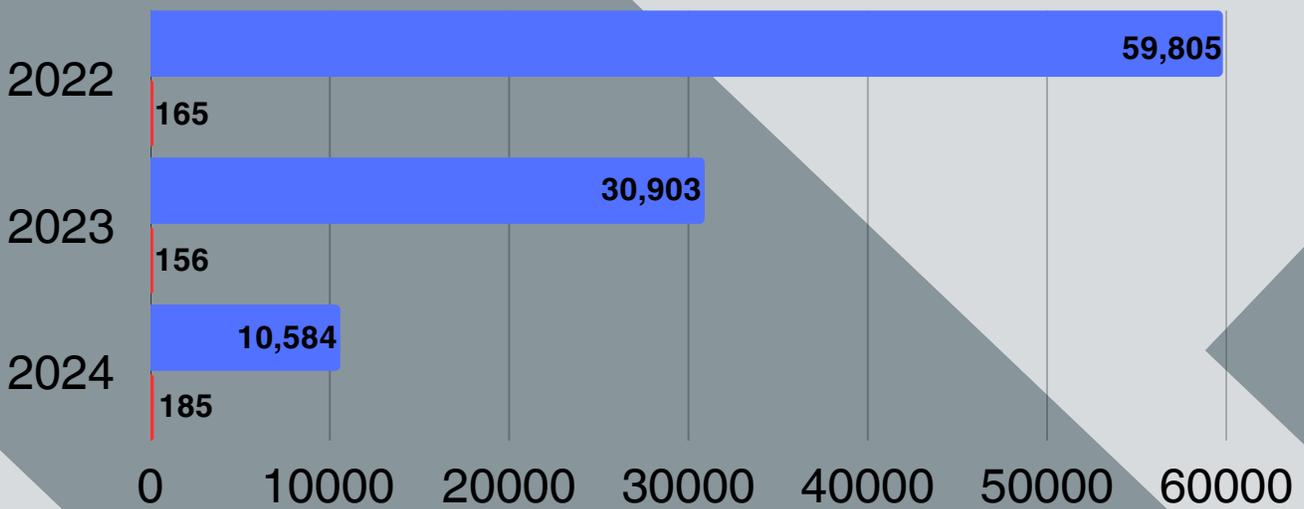
### Lake Jacskon Emergency Services

● Police ● Ems ● Fire



### Richwood Emergency Services

● Police ● Fire



## Support Services

Calls are assigned based upon differing levels of urgency. “Priority” is the highest level, which indicates an immediate danger to life or a major crime in progress. The next level of significance is “High,” followed by “Medium,” “Low,” and “Normal.” As the threat level lowers, so does the response urgency. Below is a chart indicating the events assigned, by urgency scale, for the Lake Jackson Police Department for 2024.

A notable difference can be seen in the 2024 urgency scale call totals, in relation to previous years, as shown in the chart below. This is due to how the new Enterprise CAD system categorizes call responses in the urgency scale, and the addition of new response codes in the new system that did not exist in the previous system. An example would be a previous “General Threats” call, would now be broken down into Threat Physical (Priority), Threat Verbal (High), Threat Actor not of Scene (Low), and so on. This granular separation is applied to all Police, Fire, and EMS calls for service in the new system.

### Urgency Scale Calls Since 2022

Lake Jackson	2022	2023	2024
Priority	677	749	2,822
High	550	556	1,085
Medium	11,123	10,869	9,342
Low	35,701	33,272	26,518
Normal	236	195	6,900

## Support Services

Most life-threatening and critical calls reported to the Lake Jackson Police Department are through the 911 system. Our Telecommunication Specialists received 11,946 such calls in 2024. With the growth of our residential and commercial population, the police department has continued to receive a consistently large volume of 911 calls. The Lake Jackson Police Department Communications Division received 72,878 non-911 calls in 2024, which brings the total number of answered calls by our telecommunicators to 84,824.

**84,824**

**911 CALLS**



**NON- 911 CALLS**



## **2024 FOIA / Records Requests**

<b>Type of Record</b>	<b>Number of Requests</b>
<b>Accident Reports</b>	<b>309</b>
<b>Backgrounds for Military or Firearms</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Court Records</b>	<b>85</b>
<b>Criminal Justice Background Checks</b>	<b>119</b>
<b>Other Police Records</b>	<b>227</b>
<b>Police Reports</b>	<b>214</b>
<b>Total Requests</b>	<b>959</b>

## 2024 Permits / Alarm Registrations

In 2024 we registered 499 alarm sites including 320 residential sites, 149 non-residential sites, and 8 city buildings. All alarm permit renewals are \$50.00, and are due January 1st each year. New alarm permits that are received throughout the year were pro-rated. A total of \$36,240.94 was collected for alarm permits/registration and false alarm fees.

499

### Alarm Registrations



15

### Wrecker Registrations



27

### Solicitor Registrations



The Police Department responded to 664 false burglary and panic/holdup alarms in 2024. We also responded to 154 false fire alarms for a total of 818 false alarms. This year we received 1 true alarms where entry or attempted entry was revealed and 3 true fire alarms.

### 2024 Police Responded to

818  
False Alarms

4  
True Alarms



# Community Policing

Sergeant Ross continues to serve as the Community Relations Liaison, facilitating and attending as many community events as possible. Community policing remains a collective effort within the Lake Jackson Police Department, with contributions from all personnel. Whether it is a Patrol Officer interacting with citizens during their shift or the Community Relations Officer hosting dedicated events, every member plays an important role in strengthening community ties.

Throughout 2024, the Community Relations Officer conducted numerous youth education events across various educational institutions, including daycares, primary, intermediate, and secondary schools within the City of Lake Jackson. With the Training Division's increased responsibilities, the Traffic Division has provided essential support by taking on additional community relations events, which have sometimes impacted manpower availability in other divisions.

The Community Policing Division has offered a wide range of programs for Lake Jackson residents. Area businesses frequently requested and scheduled employee presentations and tours of the police department. Additionally, the Community Policing Division provided multiple Civilian Response to Active Shooter courses to several large businesses within the city in 2024.

For National Night Out 2024, Police, Fire, and EMS personnel were deployed into neighborhoods to meet and interact with citizens at their preplanned events. For those who did not organize neighborhood gatherings, a large community event was hosted at McLean Park.

The Blue Santa program continued its mission of assisting families in need during the 2024 Christmas season. The Lake Jackson Police Department Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, alongside other City of Lake Jackson employees, collaborated to shop for the children selected by the program. In total, over 29 families and 80 children benefited from the program, receiving gifts that helped bring joy and happiness during the holiday season. The success of the Blue Santa program would not be possible without the overwhelming support from Lake Jackson's citizens, businesses, governing officials, and volunteers. The Police Department's Facebook page remains a valuable communication tool. In addition to disseminating information about events, departmental outreach, press releases, and daycare and school visits, the page has been instrumental in soliciting the public's assistance in identifying suspects and solving cases.

The Lake Jackson Police Department remains committed to fostering strong partnerships within the community and looks forward to building upon these efforts in the future.

## Community Policing



# Emergency Management

Lead by Asst. Chief / Deputy EMC, Bryan Sidebottom

2024 was a very active and devastating year for the City of Lake Jackson and the Houston region. Hence, the Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC), who is also the Assistant Chief of Police for Emergency Operations, was very busy.

In March, the Deputy EMC, along with Public Works personnel and equipment, deployed to the City of Angleton to assist them when a severe storm damaged the city, causing lost power and lots of vegetative debris blocking the roadways. In May, the Deputy EMC deployed for three days to the City of Houston Emergency Operations Center to assist them in contacting their State of Texas Emergency Assistance Registry (STEAR) registrants due to severe weather that devastated the city.

In July, Hurricane Beryl caused severe damage to the City of Lake Jackson and the region. The Deputy EMC was the incident's Deputy Incident Commander (IC). President Biden issued a federal disaster declaration due to the severity of the damage. The city was without power for several days, which hindered humanitarian and recovery efforts. The city requested assistance from Brazoria County and the Texas Division of Emergency Management to assist in the recovery efforts. In addition, the city worked with National Volunteer non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to help our local community. This included providing supplies through a Point of Distribution (POD) site. The city and the community are still in recovery mode and are working with FEMA and TDEM.

The Deputy EMC is involved with several organizations and associations within the state and region. Some of those organizations include the Brazoria County Emergency Management Coordinator group, Brazoria County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), Brazoria County Hurricane Expo Committee, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) State of Texas Emergency Assistant Registry (STEAR) Workgroup, voting member for Brazoria County in the Houston Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Risk Management and Critical Infrastructure Protection Committee (RMCIP), Houston Region Supply Chain group member, the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM), and the Emergency Management Association of Texas (EMAT). The Deputy EMC represented the City of Lake Jackson well within each entity.

## Emergency Management



The Deputy EMC is a Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) instructor. He co-instructed two Intermediate Incident Command System (ICS) G-300 courses and two Advanced ICS Complex Incidents G-400 courses. The Deputy EMC had to cancel another set of ICS classes due to Hurricane Beryl. The Deputy EMC collaborated with the Velasco Drainage District and a local vendor to provide free water pump training for the City of Lake Jackson, Velasco Drainage District, and other local jurisdictions within the Brazosport area. He facilitated chainsaw training for Public Works personnel on operating chainsaws before hurricane season. Finally, the Deputy EMC attained in-service training by attending two emergency management conferences and other in-person and online courses for over 100 training hours.

The Deputy EMC has been very active within the community, county, and state regarding hurricane preparedness and disasters. He participated in the Southeast Texas Hurricane Evacuation Study meetings for vulnerability analysis. In collaboration with TDEM, he hosted a site at the Civic Center to issue official Personal Identity Verification – Interoperable (PIV-I) identification cards for all jurisdictions within Brazoria County. He was the guest speaker for the Brazoria County Rotary Club and spoke to seniors at a senior community. As a Brazoria County Hurricane and Disaster Expo Committee member, he helped host and facilitate the expo in June at the Brazoria County Fairgrounds.

The Deputy EMC was the Incident Commander in charge of security for the City's Festival of Lights Parade, which draws thousands of spectators. He oversaw law enforcement officers from ten law enforcement agencies, fire department personnel, EMS personnel, and public works personnel. The event was a success, and other agencies have asked him to help them write their EAP plans.

Lastly, the Deputy EMC earned his Certified Emergency Manager "CEM" designation with the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM). There are less than 4,000 certified emergency managers in the world through IAEM.

In conclusion, 2024 was a busy and notable year for the Office of Emergency Management's history books.

# Animal Control Division

Lead by Lt. Justin Nesrta



## **Animal Control Division**

- **Animal Control Administration began meeting regularly with City Management to begin preparations for the new shelter facility that is expected to be completed sometime by the end of 2025.**
- **The City of Lake Jackson Animal Control Shelter Standard Operating Procedure was presented to City Management and Legal Department for review and editing. The final draft has been prepared and is ready to present to City Council for approval.**
- **The Lake Jackson Animal Shelter Advisory Board Protocol was submitted to City Management and Legal Department for review and editing. The final draft has been prepared and is ready to present to City Council for approval.**
- **The Animal Control Division has begun replacing broken and damaged transport kennels with Crash Rated Kennels from Expedite International/Lucky Duck.**
- **The Animal Control Division established a professional relationship with Vortech Pharmaceuticals, and Patterson Veterinary Supply, reducing the overall cost for Veterinary and Medical Expenses.**
- **The Animal Control Division hosted Texas Academy of Animal Control Officers who instructed an applied course in Chemical Capture and Restraint at the police department training room. All three Lake Jackson Animal Control Officers attended this training as well as Animal Control Officers from surrounding agencies.**
- **Unit # 1131 was upfitted with new decals clearly marking it as Animal Control.**
- **In addition to the statistics listed below, the members of the Animal Control Division also completed a total of 1,637 follow-up investigations into cases and calls for service.**
- **A total of 67 bats were collected and sent for rabies testing, of which only 2 tested positive for the rabies virus.**

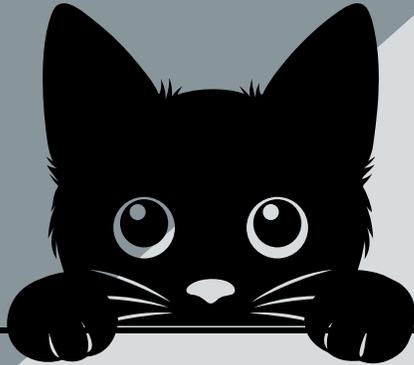
## Animal Control Division

<b>Calls Received</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>Stray Dogs Picked Up</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>303</b>
<b>Stray Cats Picked Up</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>164</b>
<b>Animals Taken To Shelter By Humane</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>385</b>
<b>Animals Taken To Shelter By Patrol</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>111</b>
<b>Other Animals Picked Up</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>261</b>
<b>Dead Animals Picked Up</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>165</b>
<b>Animal Bites - Shelter</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Animal Bites - Other</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>64</b>
<b>Miscellaneous Reports</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>116</b>

## Animal Control Division

<b>Calls Received</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>Animals Quarantined</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>Quarantine Checks</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>316</b>
<b>Citations</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>77</b>
<b>Warnings</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Traps Set</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>58</b>
<b>Traps Picked Up</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Miscellaneous Public Service</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Advice Given</b>	<b>1262</b>	<b>1532</b>	<b>1595</b>
<b>Transports To Lab</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>61</b>

**Animal Control Division**



<b>Calls Received</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>Assist Other Agencies</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Programs</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>School Crossings Covered</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Total Calls For Service</b>	<b>2596</b>	<b>3609</b>	<b>3455</b>

# Training Division

Lead by Sgt. Nick Ross

Since January 1, 2024, the Lake Jackson Police Department Training Division has provided 28 classes for law enforcement personnel, totaling 450 hours of instruction delivered by Lake Jackson instructors. These courses were reported under the Lake Jackson Police Department's Training Contract as of December 31, 2024. The number of classes and instructional hours slightly decreased compared to 2023, primarily due to the Training Room undergoing renovations for most of the year.

Throughout 2024, Lake Jackson Police Department personnel received a combined total of 8,594 hours of reportable training accredited by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE).

All officers hired by the Lake Jackson Police Department complete a Field Training Program, with experienced officers typically completing a 6-week (306-hour) program and new officers completing an 11-week (565-hour) program. Per TCOLE guidelines, a maximum of 160 hours from Field Training can be reported as official training hours; any hours exceeding this limit are categorized as non-reportable training.

In 2024, the Department continued to offer online training opportunities for officers and telecommunicators through OSS Academy. Personnel completed an additional 570 TCOLE-accredited hours via the OSS Online Training Academy.

## Breakdown of 2024 Training Hours:

1. Command Staff received 341 hours of reportable training.
2. The Investigations Division received 692 hours of reportable training.
3. The Patrol Division received 6008 hours of reportable training and 1,620 hours of non-reportable training.
4. Communications Personnel received 465 hours of reportable training and 405 hours of non-reportable training.

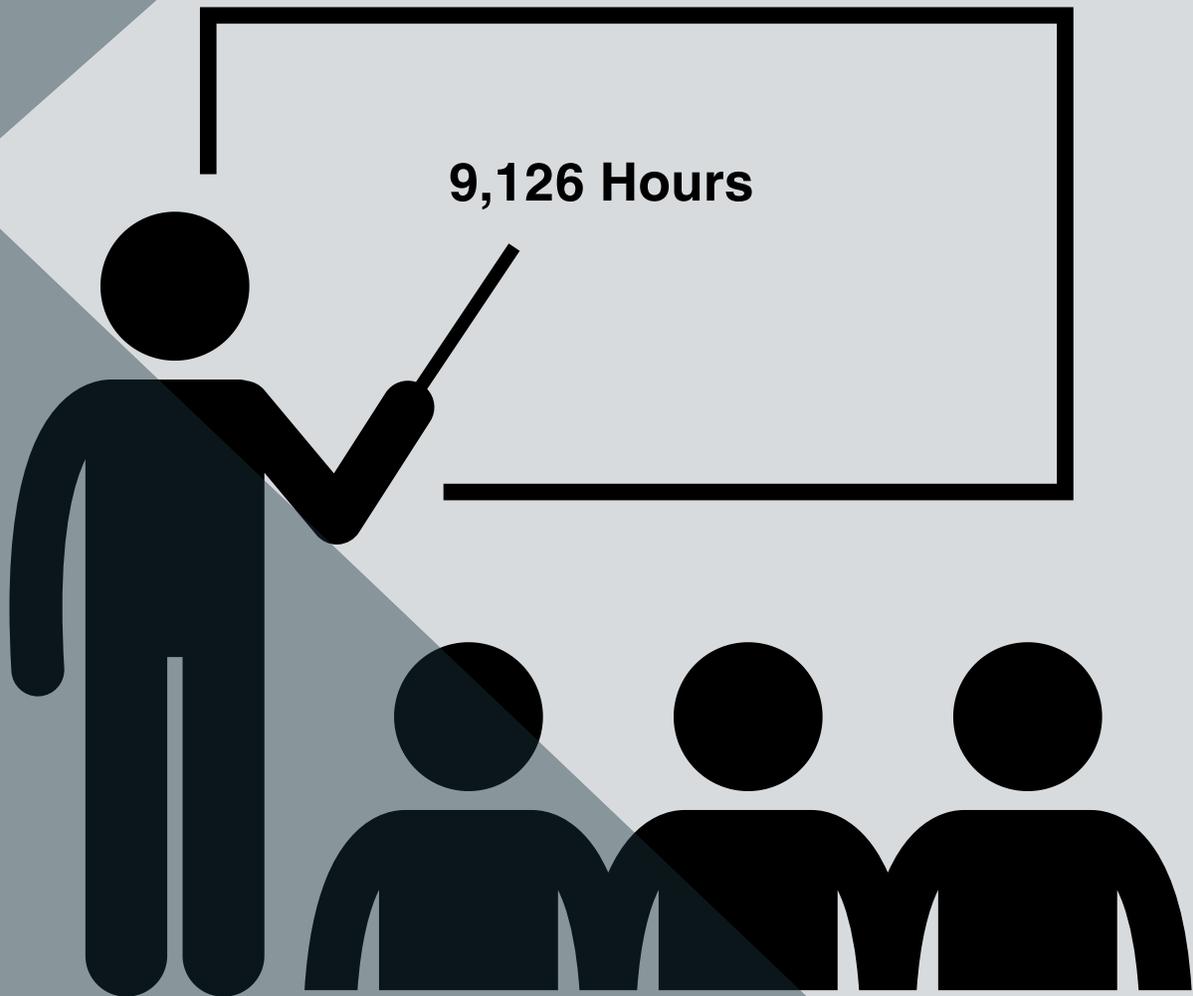
The total training hours in 2024 were 9,126 hours.

The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) mandates that all law enforcement officers and telecommunicators complete the required continuing education every two-year training cycle. The most recent cycle concluded on August 31, 2023, and the current cycle will end on August 31, 2025.

The Lake Jackson Police Department remains committed to providing high-quality training to ensure our personnel are well-equipped to serve the community professionally and effectively.

Training Division Total

2024 Total LJPD Training



# 2024 Training Totals By Division

Patrol  
7,628 Hours



Investigations  
692 Hours



Command Staff  
341 Hours



Animal Control  
167 Hours



Communications  
870 Hours

Training Division / 2024 Certifications Earned

5

Basic Peace Officer



1

Advanced Peace Officer



3

Master Peace Officer



# 2024 Racial Profiling Report Analysis

## LAKE JACKSON POLICE DEPT.

<b>01. Total Traffic Stops:</b>	13041	
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### 02. Location of Stop:

City Street	5832	44.72%
US Highway	0	0.00%
County Road	13	0.10%
State Highway	7183	55.08%
Private Property or Other	13	0.10%

### 03. Was Race known prior to Stop:

NO	13022	99.85%
YES	19	0.15%

### 04. Race or Ethnicity:

Alaska/ Native American/ Indian	41	0.31%
Asian/ Pacific Islander	307	2.35%
Black	1519	11.65%
White	9384	71.96%
Hispanic/ Latino	1790	13.73%

### 05. Gender:

Female	4993	38.29%
Male	8048	61.71%

### 06. Reason for Stop:

Violation of Law	34	0.26%
Pre-Existing Knowledge	10	0.08%
Moving Traffic Violation	10952	83.98%
Vehicle Traffic Violation	2045	15.68%

### 07. Was a Search Conducted:

NO	12960	99.38%
YES	81	0.62%

### 08. Reason for Search:

Consent	9	0.07%
Probable Cause	34	0.26%
Inventory	8	0.06%

Incident to Arrest	28	0.21%
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**09. Was Contraband Discovered:**

YES	39	0.30%
NO	42	0.32%

**10. Description of Contraband:**

Drugs	28	0.21%
Weapons	0	0.00%
Stolen Property	1	0.01%
Other	6	0.05%

**11. Result of Stop:**

Verbal Warning	251	1.92%
Written Warning	10682	81.91%
Citation	2014	15.44%
Written Warning and Arrest	67	0.51%
Citation and Arrest	16	0.12%
Arrest	11	0.08%

**12. Arrest Based On:**

Violation of Penal Code	26	0.20%
Violation of Traffic Law	4	0.03%
Violation of City Ordinance	0	0.00%
Outstanding Warrant	64	0.49%

**13. Was Physical Force Used:**

NO	13041	100.00%
YES	0	0.00%

**14. Total Number of Racial Profiling Complaints Received:**

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Ending Date: 12/31/2024

## Offenses Known to Police

Agency: LAKE JACKSON PD

Classification of Offenses	Offenses Reported	Offenses Cleared	Projected Rate/1000	Last YTD Reported	Percent Change
Animal Cruelty, Total	3	0	0.11	3	0.00%
Arson, Total	1	1	0.04	0	-
Assault Offenses, Total	390	211	14.22	401	-2.74%
Aggravated Assault	50	28	1.82	51	-1.96%
Intimidation	52	28	1.90	33	57.58%
Simple Assault	288	155	10.50	317	-9.15%
Bribery, Total	0	0	0.00	0	-
Burglary/Breaking and Entering, Total	38	12	1.39	45	-15.56%
Counterfeiting/Forgery, Total	34	12	1.24	24	41.67%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property, Total	137	39	4.99	82	67.07%
Drug/Narcotic Offenses, Total	69	56	2.52	68	1.47%
Drug Equipment Violations	5	2	0.18	0	-
Drug/Narcotic Violations	64	54	2.33	68	-5.88%
Embezzlement, Total	2	1	0.07	0	-
Extortion/Blackmail, Total	1	0	0.04	0	-
Fraud Offenses, Total	68	20	2.48	85	-20.00%
False Pretense/Swindle/Confidence Game	36	13	1.31	67	-46.27%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Machine Fraud	19	5	0.69	17	11.76%
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0.00	0	-
Wire Fraud	1	0	0.04	0	-
Hacking/Computer Invasion	1	0	0.04	0	-
Identity Theft	9	0	0.33	1	800.00%
Impersonation	2	2	0.07	0	-
Gambling Offenses, Total	6	0	0.22	11	-45.45%
Betting/Wagering	6	0	0.22	9	-33.33%
Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	0	0	0.00	1	-100.00%
Sports Tampering	0	0	0.00	0	-

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## Offenses Known to Police

Agency: LAKE JACKSON PD

Classification of Offenses	Offenses Reported	Offenses Cleared	Projected Rate/1000	Last YTD Reported	Percent Change
Gambling Equipment Violations	0	0	0.00	1	-100.00%
Homicide Offenses, Total	2	0	0.07	1	100.00%
Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter	2	0	0.07	1	100.00%
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0.00	0	-
Human Trafficking, Total	0	0	0.00	0	-
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	0.00	0	-
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0.00	0	-
Kidnapping/Abduction, Total	6	4	0.22	9	-33.33%
Larceny/Theft Offenses, Total	410	117	14.95	414	-0.97%
Motor Vehicle Theft, Total	39	14	1.42	32	21.88%
Pornography/Obscene Material, Total	4	0	0.15	3	33.33%
Prostitution Offenses, Total	0	0	0.00	0	-
Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	0	0	0.00	0	-
Prostitution	0	0	0.00	0	-
Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0.00	0	-
Robbery, Total	5	1	0.18	4	25.00%
Sex Offenses, Total	20	4	0.73	18	11.11%
Fondling	6	1	0.22	4	50.00%
Rape	12	3	0.44	12	0.00%
Sexual Assault with an Object	0	0	0.00	0	-
Sodomy	2	0	0.07	2	0.00%
Sex Offenses, Non-Forcible, Total	0	0	0.00	0	-
Statutory Rape	0	0	0.00	0	-
Incest	0	0	0.00	0	-
Stolen Property Offenses, Total	15	4	0.55	1	1400.00%
Weapons Law Violations, Total	8	7	0.29	11	-27.27%
<b>Group A Offense, Total</b>	<b>1,258</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>45.86</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>3.80%</b>

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## Offenses Known to Police

Agency: LAKE JACKSON PD

Classification of Offenses	Offenses Reported	Offenses Cleared	Projected Rate/1000	Last YTD Reported	Percent Change
<b>Crimes Against Person, Total</b>	418	219	15.24	429	-2.56%
<b>Crimes Against Property, Total</b>	750	221	27.34	687	9.17%
<b>Crimes Against Society, Total</b>	90	63	3.28	96	-6.25%
<b>Officers Killed or Assaulted YTD</b>	5			4	25.00%

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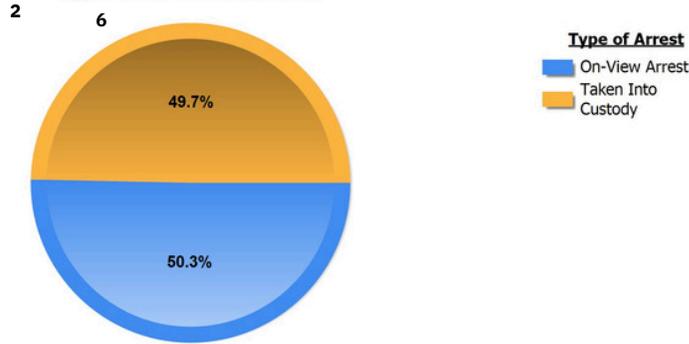
## Type of Arrest

Agency: LAKE JACKSON PD

Offense: Group B Offenses

Offense	On-View Arrest	Taken Into Custody	Total
90C - Disorderly Conduct	3		3
90D - Driving Under the Influence	43	5	48
90F - Family Offenses, Nonviolent	3	2	5
90J - Trespass of Real Property	12		12
90Z - All Other Offenses	93	14	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>

Type of Arrest Distribution



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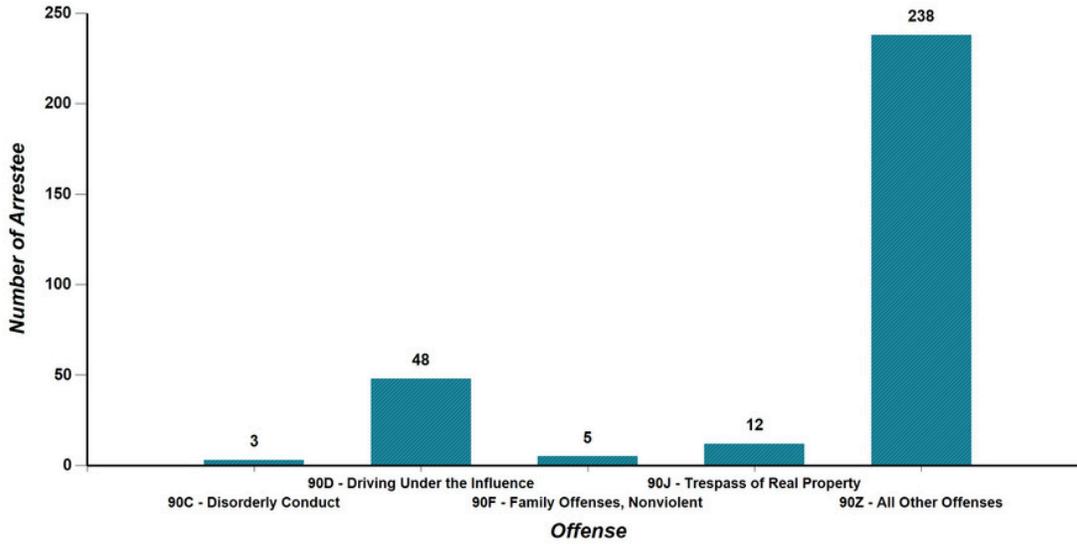
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## Type of Arrest

Agency: LAKE JACKSON PD

Offense: Group B Offenses



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