



Greenbelt Police Department 2009 Annual Report Internal Affairs Investigations



In accordance with Department policy and CALEA Standard 52.1.5, an annual statistical summary based on the records of internal affairs investigations is to be compiled and made available to the public and agency employees. In addition to the records of the internal affairs investigations, a statistical summary of all complaints and dispositions is also to be compiled.

For the purpose of this report, all traffic collisions involving Departmentally owned vehicles have been included. Those collisions which were deemed by the Departmental Collision Review Committee to have been preventable will be listed in the “Sustained” column. Those collisions which were not preventable are listed in the “Exonerated” column.

Finally, an analysis of use of force incidents is to be completed annually to reveal patterns or trends that could indicate training needs, equipment upgrades, and/or policy modifications. An analysis by the Departmental Use of Force Committee was conducted in January 2010. That analysis is separate from this report.

Complaint Type	Admin. Closed	Exonerated	Not Sustained	Sustained	Unfounded	Open/Suspended	Total	Investigated by Division Commander	Internal Affairs Investigation
Excessive Force	0	*1	1	0	0	**1	3	0	3
Unnecessary Force	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Traffic Collisions	0	16	0	5	0	0	21	21	0
Misconduct	0	1	8	2	2	0	13	13	0
Policy Violations	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	0
Courtesy	0	2	2	0	0	0	4	4	0
Grand Total	1	20	13	7	2	1	44	41	3

* Excessive Force IA resulted in a sustained finding for a violation outside of the use of force policy.

** Excessive Force IA was initiated in late 2009 and will remain open into 2010.

Dispositions Types:

1. Administratively Closed: When investigations are completed and non-disciplinary actions, such as training or counseling, are provided.
2. Exonerated: When investigation determines that the incident did occur, but the actions of the accused were justified, lawful and proper.
3. Not Sustained: When an investigation fails to disclose sufficient evidence to prove or disprove an allegation.
4. Sustained: When the investigation discloses sufficient evidence to establish a prima facie case with respect to the allegations of misconduct.
5. Unfounded: When the investigation indicates that the alleged acts did not occur.