

SANTAQUIN POLICE DEPARTMENT



2020 ANNUAL REPORT

Santaquin City Police Department

2020 Annual Report

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POLICE CHIEF’S MESSAGE

Santaquin City Mayor and Council:

The following report details the Santaquin Police Department’s activities throughout the past year. As you all know, 2020 was a very different and difficult year for all of us due to the Covid 19 Pandemic. For a time, we were asked to limit contact with the public wherever possible, therefore some of our officer-initiated numbers have gone down, when they normally would increase. However, you will find that despite the difficulties our department faced, our officers remained busy with requests for assistance from the public.

It is specifically interesting to note some of the trends this year. Unfortunately, the number of assaults, domestic violence situations, vandalism, DUI’s and drugs increased, while our DCFS reports (child abuse/neglect), traffic stops, citations and traffic accidents decreased. There may be a correlation between these numbers and the fact that children/adolescents were out of school, and families were quarantined at home in a confined environment. Schools are very big contributors to DCFS reports where they see children suffering at school. With families being quarantined, their travel was naturally minimized, thus decreasing accidents. With many unemployed during this time, finances among other conflicts could be a cause for so many domestic violence encounters.

While many of our community programs were temporarily put on hold, we look forward to the future with optimism. We appreciate your constant support and hope to gradually get back into a new and improved “normal”.

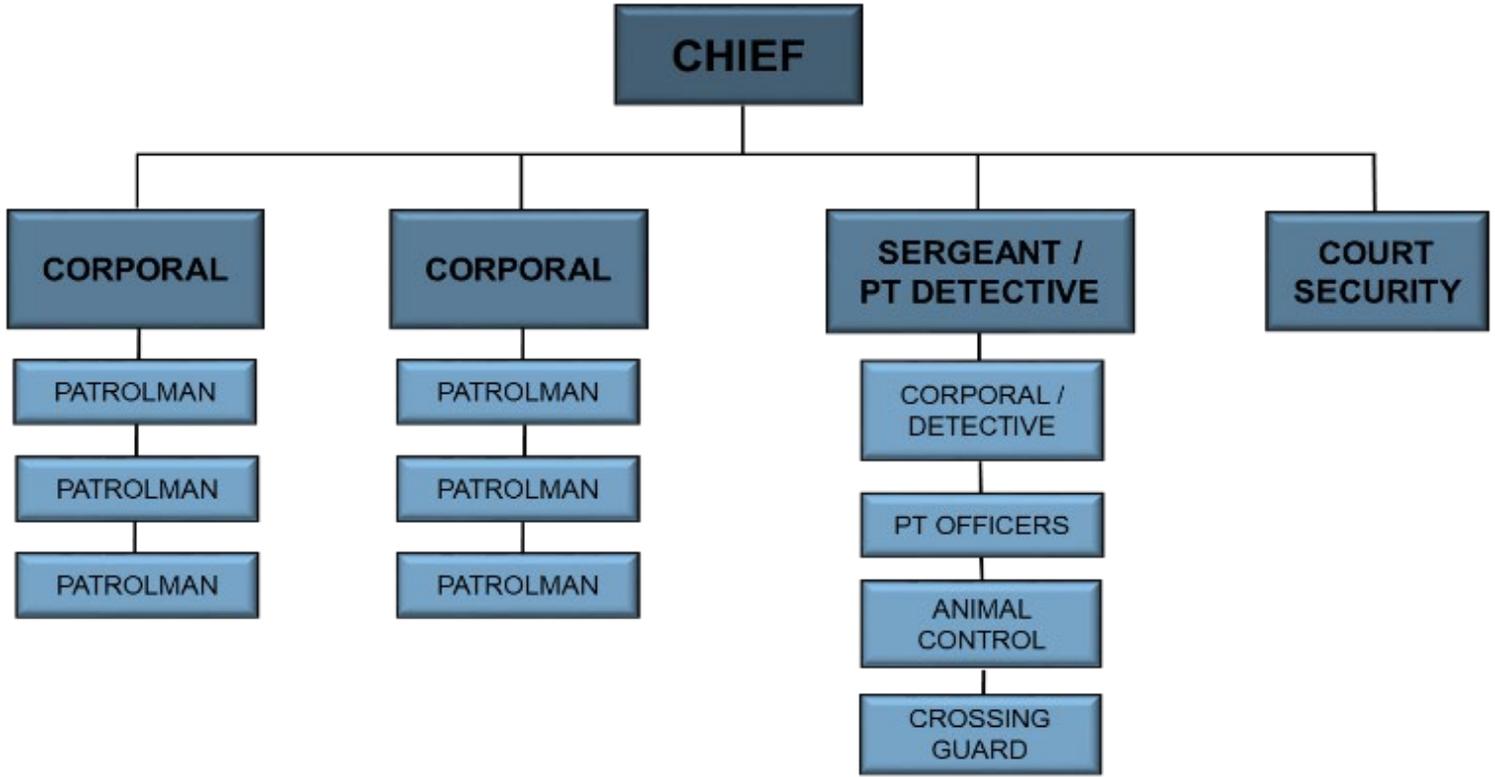
As you look over the information in the following pages, please contact me with any questions you may have.

Respectfully,

Rodney Hurst
Chief of Police

POLICE DEPARTMENT

2020 Organizational Structure



Mission Statement

The Mission of the Santaquin City Police Department is to provide a safe environment for life and property within Santaquin City through quality service.

Activity Summary 2020

Total Police Service Calls	8,333
Avg Daily Police Service Calls	23
Cases	3,573
Avg Monthly Cases	298
Avg Daily Cases	10

Crimes Against Person	431
Homicide	0
Sex Offense	19
Assault	47
Child Abuse/Neglect	60
All Other Crimes Against Person	305
Property Crimes	298
Robbery	0
Fraud/Forgery/Financial Crime	38
Burglary	13
Vehicle Burglary	19
Motor Vehicle Theft	5
Theft	57
Arson	0
Vandalism	70
All Other Property Crime	96
Domestic Violence	59
Arrests	470

Traffic	3,487
Accidents	132
Stops	2,350
Citations	1,004
Fatalities	1
DUI Arrests	51

Administrative

Budget

2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget	
Total Police Budget	\$1,992,801

Grants

JAG Grant- \$4,500

For: Tactical/Protection gear in preparation for future riots, etc.

SAFG Grant- \$1,122

For: Online officer training through PoliceOne Academy to maintain POST required training hours.

Beer Tax Funds- \$10,297.96

For: In car and body cameras to assist in the apprehension of alcohol-impaired drivers.

Personnel Actions

	Hired	Resigned
Full Time Sworn Officer	3	3
Part Time Office Clerk	1	2
Total	4	5

Professional Standards

The Police Department strives to ensure employees act in a manner consistent with Santaquin City's mission, values, and objectives. Complaints from citizens and alleged policy violations are taken seriously. Investigations are done to determine legitimacy of the complaint or violation and appropriate action is taken accordingly.

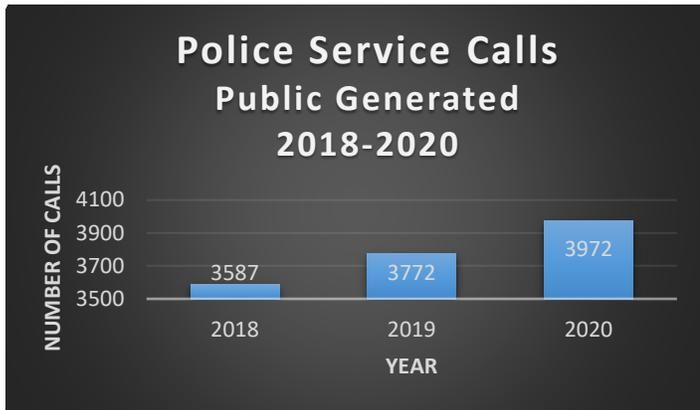
Citizen Complaints

Citizen complaints are those that come from outside sources, including third party complaints. Citizen complaints are categorized into four types: minor complaints, major complaints, service complaints, and confidential complaints. Complaints are thoroughly investigated and

the Police Chief notifies the complainant in writing of the final disposition.

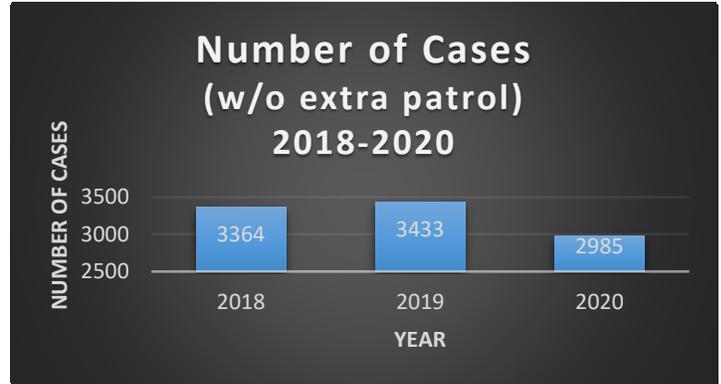
Police Service Calls

Police service calls include requests solely through dispatch, made by citizens for police service as well as officer generated activity, some administrative duties, and follow up on previous calls. These do not include the calls received through the office in which dispatch is not requested. The graph below depicts specifically calls that were generated by the public over the past 3 years. The increase in public service calls continues to grow, consistent with a steady growth of our city population.



Cases

Cases are created from police service calls that require documentation by the responding officer. The following graph displays the upward growth pattern, and then a drop in 2020. It is interesting to note, that although our case numbers decreased due to the pandemic, the number of public generated calls above still increased.



Top 10 Cases

Top 10 Cases	
Animal Call	575
Citizen Assist	441
Traffic	348
Drugs/Paraphernalia	143
Juvenile Problem	79
Trespassing	74
Keep the Peace	67
Child Abuse/Neglect	60
Civil Complaint	60
Theft	60

Part 1 Crimes

Santaquin City participates in the FBI’s UCR (Uniform Crime Reporting) program. In 2020, our department made the switch from summary-based reporting to incident-based reporting, which is known as NIBRS (National Incident Based Reporting System). The switch to NIBRS was required by the FBI as they retired the summary-based system in January 2021.

NIBRS reporting is much more in depth and provides the state and FBI with a more accurate depiction of the total crimes being committed. Where summary would report only the most severe crime, NIBRS reports all crimes committed within an incident.

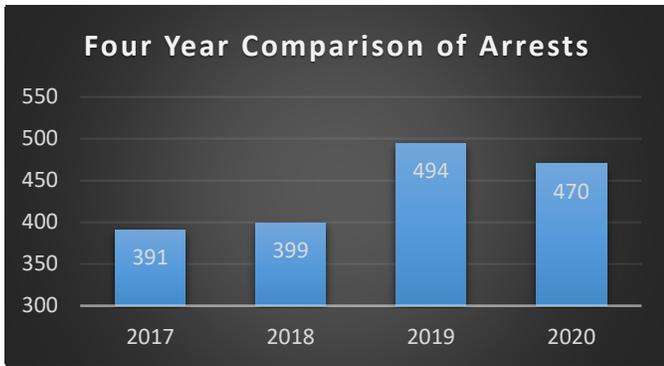
Below are listed the index crimes over the past 2 years.

Index Crimes			
	2019	2020	Change
Homicide	1	0	-100%
Rape	4	3	-25%
Robbery	1	0	-100%
Aggravated Assault	3	3	0%
Burglary	11	12	9%
Larceny/Theft	60	57	-5%
Motor Vehicle Theft	3	5	67%
Arson	0	0	0%

Yearly Comparison of Index Crimes

Arrests

An arrest is counted when criminal charges are filed on an individual regardless if the individual was cited and released, served with a summons to appear in court, or physically arrested and booked into jail. The slight decrease in 2020 is most likely from the changes due to the Covid 19 pandemic.



2020 Arrest Demographics

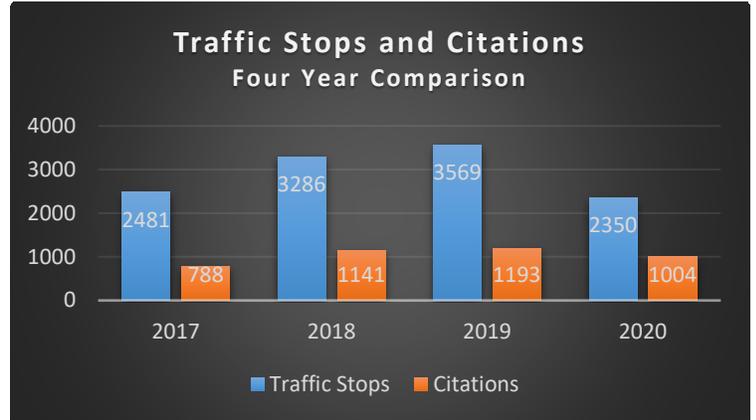
Age Range	
7-14	1%
15-19	26%
20s	34%
30s	24%
40s	11%
50s	3%
60+	1%

Arrests by age range

Traffic

Stops and Citations

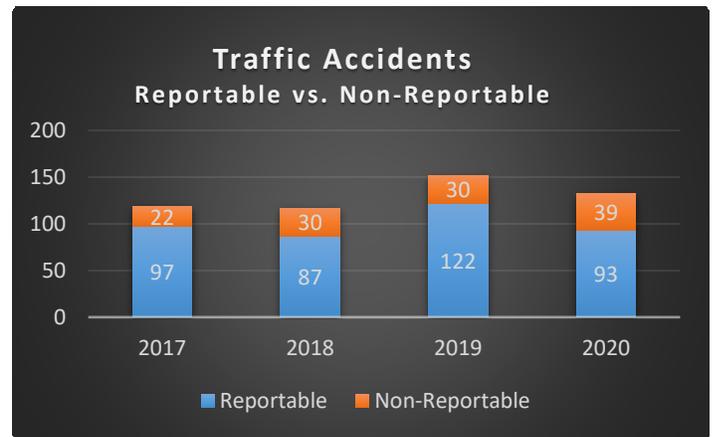
There were a total of 2,350 traffic stops and 1,004 traffic citations in 2020.



Accidents

Traffic accidents are categorized as either reportable or non-reportable. Accidents resulting in injury to or death of any person, or accidents with total property damage to the apparent extent of \$2,500 are considered reportable.

There were a total of 132 accidents reported in 2020; 93 reportable and 39 non-reportable.



Four year comparison of traffic accidents

Fatalities

There was one fatality accident in Santaquin/Genola in 2020.

Investigations Division

The Detective Division investigated 177 cases in 2020.

Sex Offenders

In 2020, there were 18 sex offenders registered in Santaquin/Genola.

Sex Offenders			
	2019	2020	Change
Registered Sex Offenders	9	18	100%
Compliance Checks	28	47	68%
Violations	1	0	-100%

Yearly comparison of sex offender registrations

Property

	2019	2020	Change
Items Received	311	334	7%
Items Released	70	38	-46%
Items Destroyed	16	10	-38%

Yearly comparison of property items handled

Typically our property numbers in regards to release and destruction fluctuate from year to year, however we do tend to see a continual increase in items received, as is evident in the table above.

Code Enforcement/Animal Control

In 2020, we didn't have a specific officer assigned to code enforcement. Most of the code enforcement cases were covered by our animal control officer (ACO), while others

were divided among the patrol officers as calls were received.

Our animal control officer (ACO) generated 348 cases in 2020; 288 of which were animal related.

Code Enforcement Cases	
Abandoned Vehicle	11
Animal Complaint	288
Motorist Assist	124
Nuisance	35
Paper Service	10
Parking Problem	84
Prison Transport	7
Total	559

Code enforcement cases by violation/classification

Code Enforcement Citations	
Animal	78
Other	20
Total	98

Code enforcement citations