



2023 ANNUAL REPORT

SANTAQUIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Santaquin City Police Department

2023 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. In 2023, we had a 9% increase in police service calls from the previous year (9,481 vs. 7,981 in 2022). We also saw a 19% increase in case numbers (4,851 vs. 4,072 in 2022).

In June of 2023, we transitioned K9 Andy into retirement, and trained and certified a new dog, Roxy. We successfully completed another high school internship program, and also had a few officers participate in shop with a cop. We value opportunities like this for community outreach, and we look forward to more opportunities as circumstances permit.

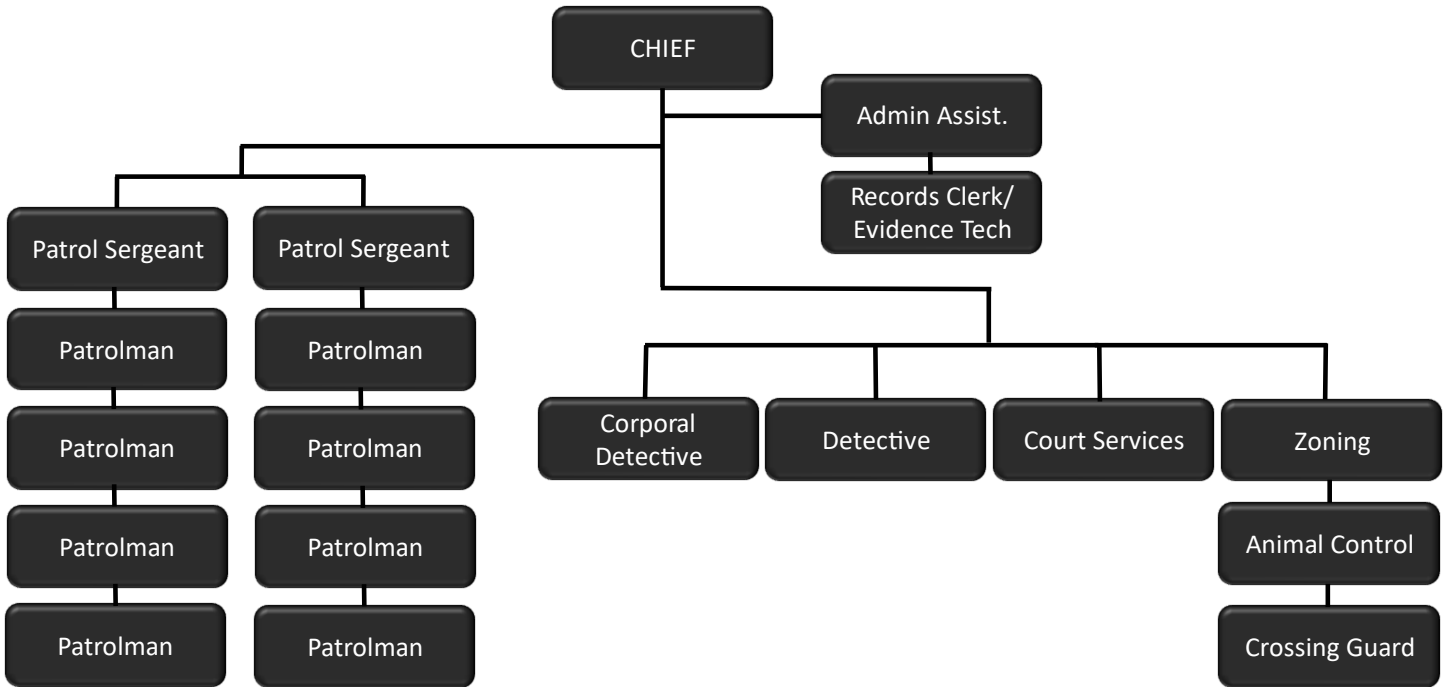
As you look over the information in the following pages, please contact me with any questions you may have.

Respectfully,

Rodney Hurst
Chief of Police

POLICE DEPARTMENT

2023 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 2023

Total Police Service Calls	9,481
Avg Daily Police Service Calls	26
Cases	4,851
Avg Monthly Cases	405
Avg Daily Cases	14

Crimes Against Person	460
Homicide	0
Sex Offense	35
Assault	65
Child Abuse/Neglect	81
All Other Crimes Against Person	279
Property Crimes	349
Robbery	0
Fraud/Forgery/Financial Crime	68
Burglary	7
Vehicle Burglary	9
Motor Vehicle Theft	8
Theft	45
Arson	0
Vandalism	68
All Other Property Crime	144
Domestic Violence	79
Arrests	366

Traffic	4,224
Accidents	212
Stops	2,966
Citations	1,045
Fatalities	1
DUI Offenses	46

Total K9 Deployments	22
K9 Deployments Without Arrest	14
K9 Deployments With Arrest	8
K9 Presentations	17

**NOTE: K9 Andy retired in June, and new K9 Roxy was in training for 4 months before she was certified in October. We went 4 months without a K9 in 2023.*

Administrative

Budget

2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget	
Total Police Budget	\$2,619,621

Grants

Beer Tax Funds- \$15,027.89
For: In-car and body-worn cameras to assist in the apprehension of alcohol-impaired drivers.

JAG Grant Funds- \$4,000
For: Storage (shipping) container for firearms equipment.

Personnel Actions

	Hired	Resigned	Retired
Full Time Sworn Officer	3	2	0

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.

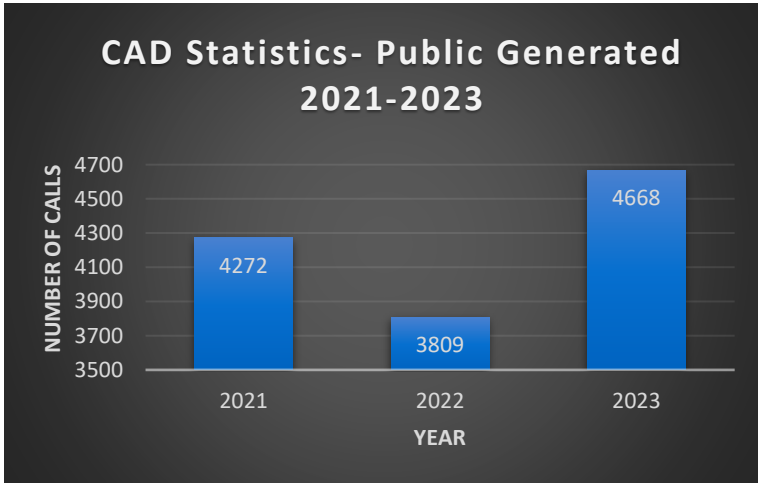
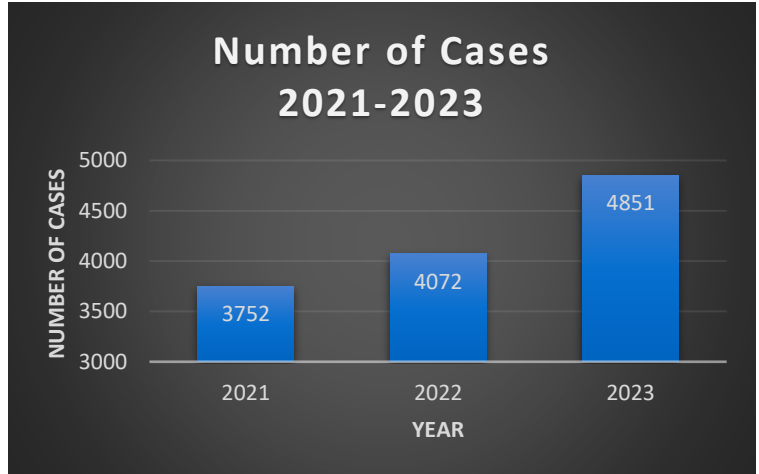
Citizen Complaints

Citizen complaints are those that come from outside sources, including third-party complaints. Citizen complaints are categorized into four (4) 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 calls that were specifically generated by the public over the past three (3) years.



Top 10 Cases

Top 10 Cases	
Animal Call	600
Traffic	424
Agency Assist	180
Juvenile Problem	139
Parking Problem	138
Motorist Assist/Keys	108
Drugs/Paraphernalia	104
Civil Problem	86
Keep the Peace	84
Domestic Violence	79

Cases

Cases are created from police service calls that require documentation by the responding officer. It is interesting to note that although our dispatch calls for service went down in 2022, our number of cases increased. This could have been due to more calls coming through the office than ever before, where dispatch may not have needed to be involved. However, in 2023, the number of public-generated calls as well as the number of cases increased substantially, reflecting the continual growth of our city.

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).

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-based would report only the most severe crime, NIBRS reports all crimes committed within an incident.

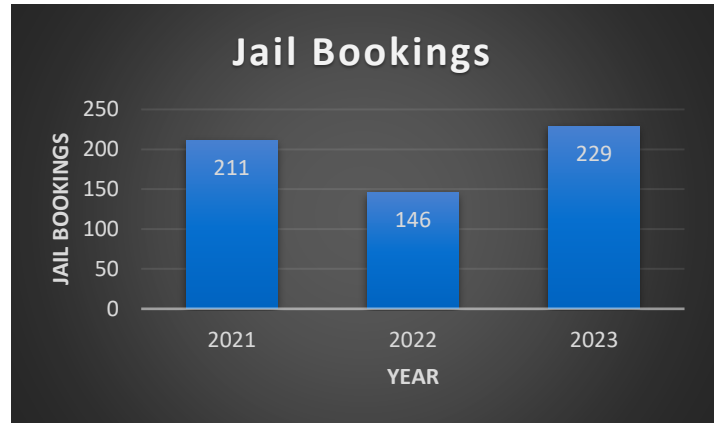
The index crimes reported to the state and FBI over the past two (2) years are listed below.

Index Crimes			
	2022	2023	Change
Homicide	0	0	0%
Rape	1	0	-100%
Robbery	2	0	-100%
Aggravated Assault	3	10	233%
Burglary	8	7	-13%
Larceny/Theft	56	51	-9%
Motor Vehicle Theft	4	7	75%
Total Index Crimes	74	75	2%

Yearly Comparison of Index Crimes

Arrests

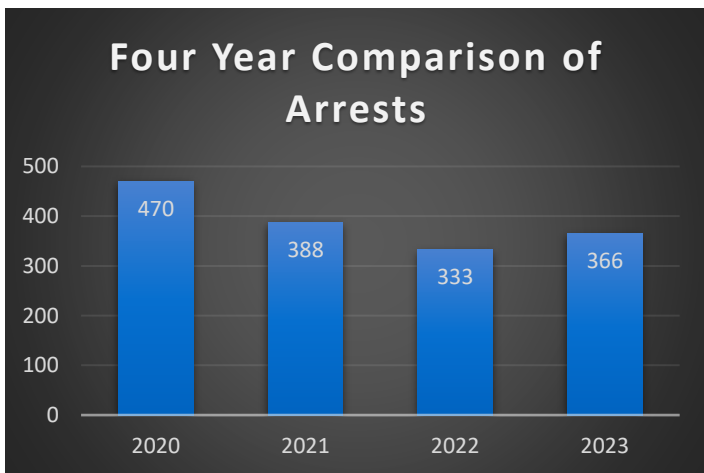
An arrest is counted when criminal charges are filed on an individual regardless if the individual was cited and released, served with a summons to appear in court, or physically arrested and booked into jail.



2023 Arrest Demographics

Age Range	
7-14	5%
15-19	17%
20s	22%
30s	24%
40s	21%
50s	6%
60+	5%

Arrests by age range

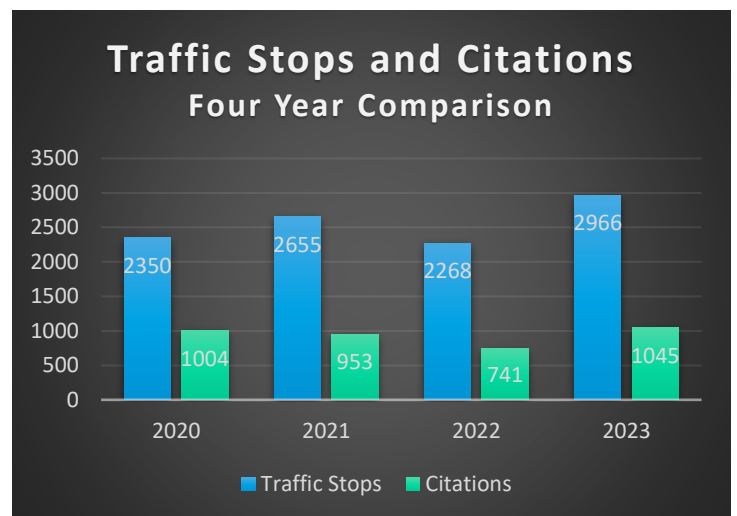


The following graph displays the number of jail bookings over the past three years.

Traffic

Stops and Citations

There were a total of 2,966 traffic stops and 1,045 citations in 2023.



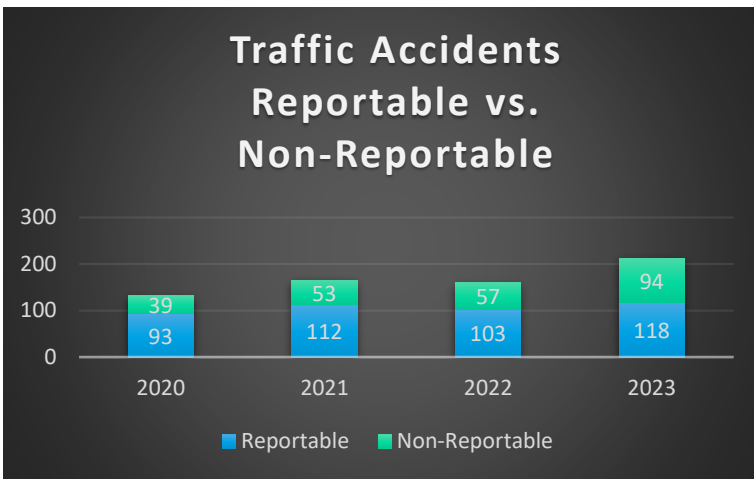
Accidents

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 212 accidents reported in 2023; 118 reportable and 94 non-reportable.

Fatalities

There was one fatality accident in Santaquin/Genola in 2023.



Four-year comparison of traffic accidents

Investigations

The Detective Division investigated 183 cases in 2023.

Property

	2022	2023	Change
Items Received	252	313	24%
Items Released	66	81	23%
Items Destroyed	283	240	-15%

Yearly comparison of property items handled

Code Enforcement/Animal Control

The code enforcement officer generated 189 cases in 2023, while our animal control officer (ACO) generated 480 cases. Since both officers are also sworn law enforcement officers, not all of these cases were strictly animal or code enforcement.

Below are the code enforcement/ACO cases our whole department has taken in 2023.

Code Enforcement/ACO Cases	
Abandoned Vehicle/Impounds	22
Animal Complaint	600
Motorist Assist/Keys	108
Nuisance	13
Parking Problem	138
Other Code Enforcement	78
Total	959

Code enforcement/ACO cases by violation

Code Enforcement/ACO Citations	
Animal	45
Other	4
Total	50

Code enforcement/ACO citations

Victim Advocate Services

Santaquin City contracts with the Utah County Sheriff's Office for victim advocate services. The services offered are broken down into the following categories:

- Information and Referral
- Personal Advocacy/Accompaniment
- Emotional Support/Safety
- Shelter/Housing
- Criminal/Civil Justice System
- Additional Services

The following graph displays the number of services offered in the year 2023 in comparison to 2022.

