Public Safety Department
November 2020 City Council Staff Report

POLICE

SCI Police Department is currently participating in the annual "Click It or Ticket" campaign. It will end on Nov 26th. They have staffed multiple enforcement shifts based on being awarded Overtime Shifts that netted over 80 enforcement contacts. These contacts resulted in misdemeanor drug arrests, multiple citations, and several warnings.

The County-wide annual Shop with a Cop has been canceled this year due to COVID-19 concerns. The families in need will still get assistance through the program, but the children will not ride in the cop car or shop with an officer. Officers look forward to next year.

Patrol Division has kept extremely busy. Although balancing COVID-19 concerns with public contacts, they continue to see the officers conducting many focused patrols and staying visible and diligent for the communities. They have kept the speed trailers moving around, and the proactive approach has helped keep the speed complaints low. They have made multiple drug arrests lately that were the result of proactive police work from traffic stops.

SCI had another patrol deployment of the drone recently in Ivins. Officers located a suspicious vehicle at the Black Desert Resort. Based on the previous criminal incidents, we conducted an aerial survey of the property. Three individuals were located on the lot. A search of the property on foot would have taken up valuable time, and officers would not have found the third individual hiding in the rocks.

Investigations Division has worked on a couple of large cases this month, including a large-scale burglary/criminal mischief case.

SCIPD received gifts from the Cece and Charlie Harrington family, supported by several local businesses, including the Ice Box Grill, and wanted to express our thanks. The support from our community has been tremendous. The officers feel very blessed to work where they do.

ANIMAL CONTROL

This month Animal Control has had 18 dog intakes with 11 owners reclaimed and four adopted. They have also had six cat intakes, and one owner reclaimed with two adopted. There are currently four dogs and four cats in the shelter.

Animal Control has had a few run-ins this month with wildlife (coyotes) and domestic cats. We continue to encourage the residence of our cities to please keep your cats indoors. They cause problems with neighbors and have a possibility of not making it home. They have been receiving many donations with the holidays coming around. Animal Control is very grateful for our local residence helping the shelter and always asking us if we need anything.