PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

SEPTEMBER 2023 CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICE ACTIVITY:

- Santa Clara-Ivins Public Safety officers assisted with the "Cops and Donuts" at the Santa Clara schools, where the officers interacted with the kids and handed out donuts.



- Officer Jessop responded to a report of a traffic crash at the Docena Roundabout. He investigated a truck that had struck the roundabout, causing significant damage to the truck, the median, and landscaping. The operator was not on the scene but was found passed out in an adjacent field. The driver was arrested for DUI and related offenses. Sgt. Hallman called, and the Washington County Sheriff's Office assisted. It took several hours and two tow trucks to get the scene cleared.



- Officer Jessop made a traffic stop and, during the stop, noted several odd indicators from the driver and occupant. Officer Hayes and Sgt. Hallman responded to assist. A consent search was obtained after the driver presented a false ID document. As a result of the search, a large sum of cash (approximately $5,000) and over a pound of methamphetamine were found hidden in the car. Det. Pondoyo and the Washington County Drug Task Force agents were contacted and asked to respond to assist. Both occupants were ultimately arrested and charged for various offenses, including possession with intent to distribute. Each received a no-bail bond. Captain Rodgers responded to the scene, and the Washington County Sheriff's Office assisted as well.
- Officer Pikyavit stopped a vehicle and informed the subject they had an active arrest warrant. The subject then fled from the stop, and a vehicle pursuit followed. The subject then drove on Hwy 91 and continued westbound. Officers followed and terminated the pursuit at mile marker 6 on Hwy 91. The subject was last seen heading south towards Arizona. Later, officers found that the subject fled from Arizona DPS, was spiked, and pitted just before I-15. The subject then fought with officers while they attempted to arrest them. The subject was placed into custody and transported to Kingman for booking. Officer Pikyavit completed a complaint requesting charges of interfering with arrest, evading, and reckless driving.
- Officer Hayes and Pikyavit responded to a four-car crash on Santa Clara Drive near the Summit Athletic Club. It was believed the heavy rain contributed to the crash. No injuries were reported, but all four vehicles sustained minor damage.

- Officer Jessop and Hayes responded to a Suspicious Vehicle reported by Harmons in Santa Clara. Witnesses reported the car had been peeling out in the parking lot, had lost control, and had crashed into the curb next to the gas pumps. The driver of the car had fled on foot, and the airbags had been deployed. Officers responded to the vehicle owner's address and found that the car had been stolen, and the owners were not aware it was missing yet. The following morning, Officer Ray checked with all canvassed the area for video. The suspect was located and charged.

- Officers Hall, Hayes, Jessop, and Sgt. Hallman responded to several reports of the roadways flooding due to the active storms. The Ivins City Streets Dept. and the Washington County Sheriff's Office were called to assist. They cleared storm drains and provided traffic control in several areas. Along 200 S Main and 200 West Center, the amount of water pushed open the manhole covers on several storm drains. Officers Hayes and Hall also secured additional covers, and City Streets canvassed the area to check for more. The following morning, Officer Ray found several areas in Santa Clara and Ivins where the roadways needed to be cleared and coordinated with Streets of both cities to get them cleaned.

- Dispatch received a call where a juvenile asked for help. The calling party stated the juvenile appeared to be emancipated and malnourished, with open wounds and duct tape around the extremities. The juvenile was asking for food and water. The condition of the juvenile was so severe that they were seen by medical personnel and transported to a local area hospital. Officers obtained a search warrant for this incident. Officers are diligently working to investigate this incident of child neglect and abuse. They have interviewed several individuals throughout the state. It is still an active investigation.

CALLS OF SERVICE/INCIDENTS	IVINS CITY	SANTA CLARA CITY	
Accidents/Hit and Run – 8	*5*	*3*	
Alcohol – 3	*2*	*1*	
Business/Residential/Panic Alarms – 8	*7*	*1*	
Burglaries/Thefts – 13	*6*	*7*	
Citizen Assists –22	*14*	*8*	
Drugs –4	*1*	*3*	
DUI – 3	*2*	*1*	
Extra Patrols – 128	*72*	*56*	
Family Fights – 9	*7*	*2*	
K9 Details – 8	*3*	*3*	*2 (Other)*
Missing Subjects – 7	*2*	*5*	
Traffic Hazards – 18	*7*	*9*	*2 (Other)*
Traffic Offenses – 79	*40*	*39*	
Warrants –3	*0*	*3*	
Total Calls for Service – 677	*383*	*290*	*4 (Other)*

Arrests (Juvenile/Adult) – 5/40

Total Citations – 402 with 524 violations

Speeding-Related Citations – 180

TRAINING:

- Officer Heinze attended the Defensive Tactics Instructor and Impact Weapon Familiarization Course from POST to become a certified instructor.
- Officer Hall and Det. Pondoyo attended the Glock Armorer School.
- Officer Ray attended the Axon Taser Instructor School.
- Sgt. Hallman and Det. Bate attended the Washington County Metro SWAT Team, co-trained with Kane County SWAT night of ops, with night vision and thermals.

EVENTS:

- The officers have been busy this month with celebrating Ivins City Heritage Days and the Santa Clara City Swiss Days. Officers greeted and handed out pamphlets to the public at the Santa Clara-Ivins Police Dept. during Heritage Days. During Swiss Days, Officer Hall did K9 demonstrations, and Sgt. Hallman did drone presentations as the crowd viewed it on the command trailer screen. Officers used directed traffic, secured the area for safety, and assisted the public with their needs.










CODE ENFORCEMENT

- The Code Enforcement incidents this month involved parking issues and an abundance of noxious weeds due to the heavy rain fall this month.

CODE ENFORCEMENT	IVINS CITY	SANTA CLARA CITY
Total Incidents – 53	*31*	*22*
Active Cases – 15	*10*	*5*

VICTIM ADVOCATE

- Victim Advocate Tanya had 18 incidents she assisted with. The incidents include family fights, CANRS (child abuse), stalking injunctions, protective orders, and assistance with other crime victim reparations processes. She also assisted with completing GRAMA Requests involving victims.
- The revisions have been completed on the VOCA Grant and awaiting the award letter. There will be an upcoming Desk Review audit for the grant Tanya is preparing for.

VICTIM ASSISTANCES	IVINS CITY	SANTA CLARA CITY	
Adults –12	*8*	*3*	*1 (Other)*
Juveniles –22	*15*	*7*	

ANIMAL CONTROL

- Animal Control officers attended Ivins City Heritage Days and visited with multiple citizens. They adopted a cat. They also participated in Santa Clara Swiss Days with a booth, where they adopted 19 cats/kittens. They have been busy educating the public this month. They had a significant commitment this month with rescue pulling multiple long-term dogs.





