PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

NOVEMBER 2023 CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICE ACTIVITY:

- Sgt. Hallman made a traffic stop on a speeding car, and after contact with the driver, he detected the odor of raw marijuana. The driver had two containers of marijuana and two apple pipes. The driver was issued a citation for speeding, possession of marijuana, and possession of paraphernalia.
- Officer Jessop stopped a vehicle for a traffic offense. During the stop, he found the driver had a suspended driver's license. Jessop gained consent to search the vehicle. He found a backpack belonging to the passenger that contained marijuana and related paraphernalia. The vehicle was state impounded. The driver was cited for having a suspended driver's license and a traffic offense. The passenger was cited for possession of marijuana and paraphernalia.
- Officer Jessop made a traffic stop for an equipment violation. After contacting the driver, he noted signs of impairment and an odor of alcohol. A roadside investigation ensued, which resulted in the driver being arrested for DUI.
- Officer Ray conducted a traffic stop on a subject who had a warrant. The subject gave the officer a vape pen and relayed it contained THC. The subject was booked into jail on the above charges.
- Officers responded to a Brandishing call in Santa Clara, where a subject had pulled a firearm during a road rage incident. Officers met with the victim, and they stated the suspect pointed a firearm at them. The suspect was identified, questioned, and arrested for aggravated assault.
- There has been an increase in traffic accidents this month. Several officers responded to assist with a personal injury crash where it was reported a vehicle had gone over the bridge and was upside down in the river. On arrival, the officers found the driver sustained serious injuries and was transported by ambulance. The Washington County Sheriff's Office handled the DUI investigation with SCIPD's assistance.
- Officers responded to a crash with injuries, where it was reported the driver was unconscious. Officers investigated the incident and found the driver to have an overdose. The driver was arrested for felony DUI and two counts of child endangerment, along with other miscellaneous drug and traffic offenses.

- Officer Peluffo responded to an injury crash in Ivins. It was found a car had rear-ended another. The driver was cited.
- Several officers responded to a crash in Santa Clara. On arrival, the officers found that one car had t-boned another.
- Officer Pikyavit responded to assist the Washington County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) on an accident on Old Highway 91. When he arrived, it was found a vehicle had flipped, and the driver was ejected. The driver was pronounced deceased on the scene, and WCSO handled the crash as it was in their jurisdiction.

TRAINING:

- SCIPD officers participated in a DUI investigations training course, Federal United States Department of Justice resources, and other miscellaneous topics for their monthly training.

EVENTS:

- Officer Muse and Office Peluffo participated in the O'Reilly Auto Parts "Rev'd Up 4 Rotary" 1st Annual SGR Car Show event at Tuacahn.
- Officer Muse and Offer Ray participated in a bike rodeo event for a group of kids.
- Several officers assisted during the Tuacahn concert events this month.







*As of this report, the Santa Clara-Ivins Police Department will start reporting monthly incidents where individuals are experiencing a mental health crisis along with substance abuse incidents.

Calls of Service/Incidents:	Ivins City	Santa Clara City	Other
Accidents/Hit and Run – 6	*1*	*4*	*1*
Alcohol/DUI – 5	*3*	*2*	
Business/Residential/Panic Alarms – 19	*14*	*5*	
Burglaries/Thefts – 5	*3*	*2*	
Citizen Assists – 46	*22*	*24*	
Death – 1	*1*	*0*	
Drugs – 13	*7*	*6*	
DUI – 3	*2*	*1*	
Extra Patrols – 169	*118*	*48*	
Family Fights – 7	*5*	*2*	
Missing Subjects – 5	*2*	*3*	
Traffic Hazards – 10	*6*	*4*	
Traffic Offenses – 69	*41*	*28*	
Warrants – 12	*7*	*5*	
Welfare Checks – 12	*4*	*8*	
Total Calls for Service – 761	*481*	*278*	*2*
Substance Abuse Calls – 10	*6*	*4*	
Mental Health Incidents – 53	*44*	*9*	
Arrests – Juveniles 13/Adults 49	*5/31*	*8/18*	
Total Citations – 475			
Violations – 617			
Speeding-Related Citations – 216			

K9 Details

- Officer Heinze made a traffic stop on a vehicle. Officer Hall and Copper were called out for a K9 Detail in Ivins. K9 Copper was deployed to conduct a free air sniff of a vehicle at a traffic stop and observed an indication. The vehicle was searched, and methamphetamine, marijuana, and related paraphernalia were located, along with a pistol.
- Officer Hall stopped a vehicle for a traffic offense. He found that the driver had two active arrest warrants and was driving on a suspended DL. The driver was placed into custody and transported by Officer Hayes. While waiting for a driver to collect the vehicle, Officer Hall conducted a K9 sniff, and Copper made an indication of the vehicle. After the search was conducted, Marijuana and related paraphernalia were located. The driver was charged with possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia, driving on a suspended DL, and served with the two active arrest warrants.
- Officer Hall stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation and contacted the driver. During the stop, he found the driver could not provide proof of insurance. He ran K9 Copper, and she indicated on the vehicle. Officers searched the vehicle, and a THC vape was located. The driver was charged with possession of marijuana and paraphernalia.
- Officer Hall responded to assist St. George Police Department. Upon arrival, Copper indicated on the vehicle. Officers searched the vehicle, and Fentanyl and a weapon was found. Four individuals were arrested, and two of them were for distribution amounts of Fentanyl.

K9 Details	Ivins City	Santa Clara City	Other
Total Incidents – 7	*3*	*3*	*1*

Code Enforcement

- The Code Enforcement incidents this month involved parking issues, abandoned vehicles and nuisance complaints. There are seven open cases in Santa Clara and nine in Ivins.

Code Enforcement	Ivins City	Santa Clara City
Total Incidents –29	*11*	*18*

VICTIM ADVOCATE

- Lt. Studley and SCIPD Victim Advocate Tanya completed the Desk Audit Review for the 4th quarter of the last grant cycle. They met in person with the auditors and no issues were found.
- Tanya attended meeting by Utah Office for Victims of Crime (UOVC) regarding systems-based advocates (law enforcement, courts) and community-based advocates (shelters) and their role in Sexual Assault cases as they proceed through the system.
- Tanya also attended monthly SART (Sexual Assault Response Team) meeting at the Washington County Attorney's Office.
- Tanya had several incidents she assisted with this month. The incidents include family fights, CANRS (child abuse), stalking injunctions, protective orders, court hearings, funerals, and assistance with other crime victim reparations processes. She also assisted with completing GRAMA Requests involving victims.

VICTIM ASSISTANCES	IVINS CITY	SANTA CLARA CITY	OTHER
Total – 48	*20*	*27*	*1*
Adults – 26	*11*	*14*	*1*
Juveniles – 22	*9*	*13*	

ANIMAL CONTROL

- Animal Control had 108 calls with 71 in Ivins, 36 in Santa Clara and one in St. George.

ANIMAL INTAKE	*DOGS*	*CATS*	*OTHER*
Total Intakes	*28*	*10*	*4*
Owner Reclaim	*10*	*1*	*0*
Adoptions	*0*	*3*	*2*
Rescue	*4*	*1*	*2*
DOA	*0*	*4*	*0*
In Shelter	*14*	*17*	*0*
TNR – 0			