# PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

## MAY 2025 CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

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## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### POLICE ACTIVITY:

- This month, the patrol team has seen an increase in drug and alcohol arrests. They have removed three guns from the streets: two in Ivins and one in Santa Clara.
- SCIPD Officers, who were assigned to the Washington County Metro SWAT team assisted in two callouts. In Hildale they apprehended a homicide suspect who was hiding in a house. In Virgin an armed and barricaded suspect wanted for aggravated assault was taken into custody.
- An investigations team member assisted the Washington City Police Department execute a warrant resulting in the arrest of several individuals for illegal activities, including possession of fraudulent documents and narcotics.

### TRAINING:

- Det. Pondoyo, Officer Hall and Sgt. Tobler trained officers on firearms qualifications for the monthly department training.
- SCI Police hosted training for the Regional Sniper Teams.
- Officer Heinze graduated from the five-day, 80+ hour SWAT school in Utah County.
- Victim Advocate Tanya attended the Annual Crime Victim Conference.
- Sgt. Tobler attended the three-day Utah Children's Justice Symposium.
- Det. Ray attended the International Outlaw Motorcycle Gang Investigators Association Conference.



### EVENTS:

- Officer Jon Ward was honored as the School Resource Officer of the Year. With 24 years of experience in public safety, Officer Ward has made a significant impact in the community. He started an after-school Chess Club at Lava Ridge Intermediate, which has now expanded to four schools and has over 100 members. Additionally, he teaches self-defense courses to youth, demonstrating his commitment to empowering the next generation by fostering resilience, leadership, and critical thinking.



- This month, officers also provided security and traffic control at the Ironman event and the LPGA tournament at Black Desert.

| Calls for Service | Total | Ivins City | Santa Clara City | Yearly Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Accidents/Hit and Run* | *14* | *3* | *11* | *49* |
| *Alcohol/DUI* | *5* | *3* | *2* | *15* |
| *Drugs* | *15* | *7* | *8* | *29* |
| *Family Fights/Assaults* | *5* | *1* | *4* | *50* |
| *Warrants* | *11* | *5* | *6* | *35* |
| *Total Calls for Service* | *472* | *271* | *201* | *2,187* |
| *Crimes Against Persons* | *6* | *2* | *4* | *88* |
| *Crimes Against Property* | *7* | *2* | *5* | *129* |
| *Substance Abuse Calls* | *18* | *9* | *9* | *56* |
| *Mental Health Incidents* | *9* | *7* | *2* | *66* |
| *Arrests – Adults* | *40* | *18* | *22* | *126* |
| *Arrests – Juveniles* | *8* | *1* | *7* | *16* |

## Animal Control

- As of now, the shelter is housing two dogs and eleven cats.
- Animal Control Officers hosted a successful dog adoption event at the Red Cliffs Mall. We are pleased to report that all six dogs available for adoption at that time found new homes.
- Currently, we have adequate space to accommodate additional dogs. However, we are approaching cat capacity, with a noticeable increase in feline intake. Kitten season has officially begun, and we anticipate a continued influx of kittens in the coming weeks.

| Animals Intakes | *Dogs* | *Ivins* | *SC City* | *Other* | *Cats* | *Ivins* | *SC City* | *Other* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Total Intakes* | *14* | *5* | *5* | *4* | *9* | *6* | *1* | *2* |
| *Owner Reclaim* | *10* | *4* | *4* | *2* | *-* | *-* | *-* | *-* |
| *Adoptions* | *9* | *9* | *-* | *-* | *2* | *2* | *-* | *-* |
| *Rescue* | *-* | *-* | *-* | *-* | *2* | *2* | *-* | *-* |
| *DOA* | *-* | *-* | *-* | *-* | *1* | *1* | *-* | *-* |
| *Euthanized* | *-* | *-* | *-* | *-* | *-* | *-* | *-* | *-* |
| *In Shelter* | *2* | *2* | *-* | *-* | *11* | *10* | *1* | *-* |
| *TNR* | *1* | *-* | *1* | *-* | | | | |
| *Other* | *4* | | | | | | | |