

STAFF REPORT

City Council Consent Item

DATE: August 7, 2023

TO: Honorable Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Casey J. Day, Chief of Police

THROUGH: Merritt Perry, City Manager

SUBJECT: Police Department Monthly Report for June 2023

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Receive report as an informational item.

Patrol Statistics:

During the month of June 2023, the Fortuna Police handled 1,371 calls for service. 40 arrests were made including 6 felony arrests and 34 misdemeanor arrests. 34 citations were issued for traffic offenses or other miscellaneous violations. Crime statistics and information on calls for service are available at **forpd.crimegraphics.com**.

Staffing:

- The police department has recruited two experienced lateral police officer candidates who are nearing the final phase of the background investigation. Both candidates are expected to be on-boarded in the month of July.
- Kennel Attendant Karlee Humphrey was selected for the part-time CSO position and is in the initial phase of the pre-employment background investigation.
- The police department has selected a candidate to fill the open Public Safety Dispatcher vacancy. The candidate is in the middle of the pre-employment background investigation.
- The police department is preparing to fill the following vacancies: Kennel Attendant.

**Command Staff is currently considering a recommendation for the addition of a second lieutenants position to the organizational chart.*

Status of Grant Awards/Applications:

Humboldt County Measure Z - Awarded funding for DTF position.
Running 4 Heroes – funded K-9 life saving equipment for K9 Fentanyl exposures.
USDA – Body Worn Camera: Submitted, awaiting approval and award.

COPS – Federal funding for a new police officer position: Submitted, awaiting approval and award.

Community Engagement Piece:

The Chief of Police presented to Eel River Youth Soccer Teams on preparation and response to mass-casualty events.

The Police Department launched Rodeo K-9 Fundraiser.

Social Media push featuring cold cases and request for public assistance.

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:

Receive Police Department Monthly Report (June). Consent Agenda vote.