

# STAFF REPORT

## *City Council Consent Item*

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DATE: February 20, 2024

TO: Honorable Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Matthew A. Eberhardt, Acting Chief of Police

THROUGH: Merritt Perry, City Manager

SUBJECT: **Police Department Monthly Report for January 2024**

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive report as an informational item.

### **Patrol Statistics:**

During January 2024, the Fortuna Police handled 1,345 calls for service. 53 arrests were made including 9 felony arrests and 44 misdemeanor arrests. 61 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:**

- One lateral law enforcement officer with local area experience is progressing through the pre-employment, background investigation phase.
- Interviews and testing are ongoing for one Public Safety Dispatcher position.

### **Training:**

- On January 10, 2024, Sergeant Phinney graduated from the Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute (SBLI). An 8-month program facilitated by the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST). The program stimulates personal growth, leadership, and ethical decision making in front-line supervisors.
- On January 8, 2024, Chief Day began the 10-week Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy (FBINA). This training is for senior law enforcement professionals and encompasses, the latest issues facing policing and strategies to navigate them, professional development, best practices in policing, and much more.

### **Community Events:**

During January, Acting Police Chief Eberhardt presented at the Fortuna Chamber of Commerce State of the City Breakfast.

**K-9 Program:**

January 18, 2024, a drive-thru fundraising dinner was held at the Veterans Hall for the K-9 Program. The community support for the K-9 Program was greatly appreciated.

**RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:**

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