



**City Manager's Report**  
**August 28, 2018 City Council Meeting**  
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**Subject: Police Department 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Status Report**

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**Discussion:** The Placerville Police Department is comprised of two divisions; Operations (patrol) and Support (support and investigations). The following is a brief summary of activities performed within each division between April 1, 2018 and June 30, 2018.

**Operations:** Patrol duties comprise the majority of the workload of the police department. The table below breaks down the number of calls into our 9-1-1 PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point), calls for service where a citizen requests a patrol unit and self-initiated calls for service by individual patrol officers. Finally, I have included the number of arrests for all crimes with a separate column for arrests of individuals for driving under the influence of alcohol, illegal narcotics or prescription medications.

I have also included a column listing the number of calls for service related to homeless-transient individuals. Calls related to homeless individuals are increasing and will continue to rise with the increase in warm weather. Increased calls for service related to illegal camping along the El Dorado Trail and other open space areas of the city creates additional work not only for the police department, but for public works staff who facilitate the clean-up of debris left at illegal camp sites.

April 12-15th, 2018, Placerville PD staff worked overtime to cover the El Dorado County Fair. The City of Placerville is reimbursed for personnel costs associated with this four (4) day event. During the fair, almost every sworn member of the Placerville Police Department is required to work at least one or more of their days off.

On April 18, 2018, Placerville PD staff participated in "Every 15 Minutes" at El Dorado High School. This event takes place at EDHS every two (2) to three (3) years. This is a multi-agency event done in coordination with staff from El Dorado High School, El Dorado County Fire, Marshall Medical Center and the California Highway Patrol. The program is designed to give high school students and their parents the real experience of losing a loved one in a fatal crash involving someone driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

On May 7, 2018, command staff participated in the annual California Peace Officer's Memorial ceremony at the State Capitol.

On May 18, 2018, Placerville PD staff along with other city staff members facilitated AMGEN as it passed through Placerville. This event was preceded by multiple planning meetings with members of the California Highway Patrol, staff from our local elementary schools and other city staff members. Placerville PD staff was assisted by volunteers and members from the El Dorado County Sheriff's Department.

### Calls for Service

Year to year comparison	Dispatched	Officer initiated	Transient-illegal camping related calls	Total
2018	2261	2308	627	5196
2017	2270	3128	618	6016

### Arrests and Citations

Citations and arrests comprise activity after a call for service. The listed arrests include everything from domestic violence related offenses, impaired driving, thefts and trespassing.

Year to year comparison	Felony arrests	Misd. arrests	DUI arrests	Traffic cites	Total
2018	45	103	20	198	366
2017	50	115	20	220	405

**Coffee With A Cop:** Placerville PD has hosted six (6) “Coffee With A Cop” meetings this year. We publicize these and other events on various social media platforms.

**Staffing:** Staff shortages continue to be a challenge for the police department. During this time frame, we have hired one (1) Dispatch Records Technician, (1) Executive Assistant to the Chief of Police, (1) Community Service Officer (part-time position), and (1) police officer. We still have one officer off due to a work related injury.



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