



Meeting Minutes



Police Advisory Board	
Date & Time:	May 19, 2022 - 7:00 pm
Location:	City Hall-Conference Room A 22560 SW Pine Street



P.A.B. Members:	Council Liaison:
Brian Dorsey - Chair	Councilor Kim Young
Megan Thornton - Vice Chair	City Staff:
Diane Foster	Ty Hanlon – Police Chief
Mike Meyer	Angie Hass – Admin Assistant III
Marie Schapp	
Mike Schultz	Guest Speaker: DA Kevin Barton
Mike Smith	
Chris West	
Laurie Zwingli	

This meeting was live-streamed (and recorded) through the City of Sherwood's YouTube channel.

The video is available for viewing: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IWeJ3_bTaUA .

1. Call to Order

Chair Dorsey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Board Members Present: Chair Brian Dorsey, Vice Chair Megan Thornton, Diane Foster, Marie Schapp, Mike Schultz (attended via Zoom), Mike Smith and Chris West

Board Members Absent: Mike Meyer and Laurie Zwingli

Staff & City Council Liaison Present: Chief Ty Hanlon, Councilor Kim Young and Admin Assistant - Angie Hass

3. Approval of Minutes

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Vice Chair Thornton moved that the March meeting minutes be approved as presented. Ms. Schapp seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor.

4. Board Member Announcements (Chair)

Mr. West stated that it was great to see the radar trailer back out on Sunset, especially the location that it's at. During his time on the Traffic Safety Committee, that was always a spot of concern.

It's always great to acknowledge the job the PD staff's doing on social media. He appreciates the FB posts that shows the weekly number of calls the officers are going out on. He and a colleague, who also lives in town, were wondering if the activity has gone up or down, due to the posts. He wondered what the trend was. They're seeing the numbers of interactions officers are having each week, but it would be nice for a reference. He noted that this is on the agenda for a later discussion (5c), so he'll wait for the Chief's presentation for that.

He added that he hates to be second to Tigard and just saw a Tigard PD post showing that they just finished their Citizens Academy. He would like to see that back on the agenda for Sherwood.

Ms. Foster stated that what she had to say was similar to what Chris said. She complimented the SPD on their social media posts and was especially happy with the weekly police activity posts. It seems like it's getting a lot of positive reaction from the community, particularly the SRO updates. The parents in Sherwood seem like they're really responding, particularly in the high school space, but parents of middle school kids and younger have also responded positively. The SRO updates are long, but they give a lot of information. Vice Chair Thornton stated that the SRO posts are definitely spawning a lot of conversations at home. People are saying that they are talking with their kids about these things. Regardless of what age your children are, she thinks it's fantastic. Ms. Foster added that they are great topics. Some people think that because they live in Sherwood, that those things don't happen here. She feels that the posts have been really well received.

Ms. Schapp spoke about her family's recent 9 pm routine and how those social media reminders are helpful to them.

Vice Chair Thornton agreed with Ms. Foster, wholeheartedly, that the police department communication has improved drastically over the last few months. She loves it as a citizen and as a board member. Officer Wolfer's comments and his presence at the school board meetings is great to see. She commented on the recent threat that occurred at Middleton Elementary. She felt that the Sherwood police force did a fantastic job and she had zero complaints - as a mom, a citizen and a board member. Her only hope was that, from an advisory board standpoint, how they can help the department get more communication out for simple things and elaborated a bit on that.

She found one thing interesting that her husband said in regards to the Middleton event. She had thought it best to keep their son at home that day, but her husband stated that of all the days for him to be in school, that day would be the safest, because they are locked down and the police are there.

Mr. Schultz apologized that he couldn't attend the meeting in person that evening. He had gotten called in to work.

Mr. Smith shared that he was recently rear ended by a 92-year-old driver in The Ackerly parking lot. He was still kind of processing all of it.

Chair Dorsey wasn't able to attend the Coffee With the Force event, but he did see from the social media photos that it was a great success and a great opportunity to interact with the community. The kids loved it and so did the officers. The event allowed the officers to establish a better relationship with the community. That's always needed, wonderful to see, and to be a part of. Hopefully they'll be hearing about more opportunities that the community will have to see the PD out, bumping elbows and shaking hands with folks. He thought the play on words with "Coffee with the Force" was genius.

The new hires look awesome. It's really great to get some new folks on board. He is looking forward to seeing them out on the streets. The PD is doing a great job training them up and teaching them how things are done here in Sherwood.

5. Business (Chair)

a. PAB Term Expirations (6/30/2022): Chris West, Mike Smith & Brian Dorsey

Chair Dorsey stated that he would like to continue on the board. There was a brief discussion on how the reappointment process works. It was determined that all three board members wished to remain on the board.

i. PAB Liaisons for TSC – Term Expirations (6/30/2022): Diane Foster & Laurie Zwingli

In regards to the term expirations for the liaisons to the Traffic Safety Committee, Chair Dorsey stated that it is always an honor for this board to be able to work with the community in this way. Traffic is such a huge issue.

Ms. Foster stated that she's really enjoyed being on the committee and would continue, if nobody else wanted to. At the same time, if somebody else wants to see what it's like, then she's open to that as well.

As Ms. Zwingli was not present at this meeting, this will roll over to the June meeting agenda.

b. Washington County District Attorney, Kevin Barton

(Please tune into the YouTube video at the 15:50 minute mark for the complete presentation.)

DA Barton wanted to talk to the board about what they're seeing in the DA's Office, from a countywide perspective, and to answer questions that the board members may have. He proceeded to share his screen to present his PowerPoint slides. (See Exhibit "A".)

DA Barton shared a story of an incident that occurred just prior to that last Christmas, in order to provide a real life example. The incident involved a Sherwood woman who lives in a neighborhood around the Ridges Elementary School. She was up late wrapping Christmas presents and saw a man actively trying to break into her house, into the side door right into her garage. She immediately called 911. Sherwood PD arrived in less than two minutes.

DA Barton stated that was not the end of the story. The interesting thing about this incident is that at 11 pm that same evening, that same man walked up the street from a homeless encampment in Portland and threw a brick through a basement level window of a very nice home in the northwest area of Portland. He proceeded to break into that house. Everyone in that house was asleep except for a little girl, around 8 or 9 years old. She knew somebody was in her house but was too scared to walk across the hallway to tell her mom and dad. So instead, she just kind of sat there and listened while the guy rummaged around downstairs going through the family's things. Then he actually started walking up the stairs. Luckily, he bumped into something hanging on the wall causing it to fall down, making a big noise. The dad woke up thinking that one of his kids was out of bed. Once out in the hallway, he confronted the man. It could have gone very poorly at that point but, luckily, that man turned and ran downstairs. He had already grabbed the car keys, so drove off in the family's car, heading south. That is how he ended up in Sherwood. That family did the same thing that the Sherwood woman did, which was calling 911. The difference was that they had to wait on hold for 10 minutes before the dispatcher said "911, what's your emergency?".

DA Barton stated that the reason he shared that story is because it truly is a tale of two cities, where you have two different responses. It's an example of how, luckily, we are blessed to live in a community where things are working. This kind of sets the stage for what we're dealing with right now. (See PowerPoint.)

c. SPD Stats Review, Chief Hanlon

Before Chief Hanlon presented his PowerPoint to the group, he introduced two of Sherwood's newest recruit Officers who were in attendance. He plans to ask all the new officers to attend these meetings, as he wants them to be familiar with the Police Advisory Board and Traffic Safety Committee and for the board and committee members to be familiar with them. Officer Breanna Woodward and Officer Bronson Ramos each shared a bit about themselves. Chief Hanlon shared that they had been attending a Pre-Academy in Hillsboro for the last five weeks, with a few more weeks to go. They will both begin the Police Academy in August. It will be awhile before they'll be out and on the roads, but they're working their way to that goal. He confirmed that the PD had just hired three recruits and one lateral.

Chief Hanlon proceeded to share his screen and began his PowerPoint presentation, updating the PAB on the SPD's Service Statistics. **Exhibit "B" (Please tune into the YouTube video at the 1 hour, 19 minute mark for the complete presentation.)**

The raw data he put together was concerning several of the things that DA Barton had talked about. The numbers he would be going over, however, are just for Sherwood.

After sharing all of the updated statistics, Chief Hanlon stated that Sherwood is the second safest city in the state. His goal is to be number one. His hope is for the Police Advisory Board to start addressing the PD's needs and the impacts that they're seeing. He'd like their thoughts on what they can do, collectively, to prioritize the services that they'd really

like to see from the Police Department for the community. Vice Chair Thornton thought, another staffing study would be a good place to start. Councilor Young stated that they will be doing that and that it is in the Council goals.

In regards to staffing, Chief Hanlon added that everything these days is technology driven. The majority of the crimes that they're investigating now, have a nexus to a cell phone, laptop, computer, etc. They have to write search warrants and then extract that data. They need specialized teams to do this. This makes it very complicated to complete the investigations.

DA Barton stated that four years ago, the county started up a digital forensic lab and how it has been beneficial to centralize these services. They have special analysts trained to get into phones, etc. He said that every crime has a technology component to it and elaborated a bit on that.

Vice Chair Thornton stated that there are most likely other crimes occurring in Sherwood that are priority one that are not shown on the data, such as cyber-crimes, etc. The SPD will need more staffing, eventually, for these types of crimes. Those conversations probably need to happen, too.

6. Traffic Safety Committee (TSC) Update (Staff and/or Liaisons)

Ms. Foster reported that Community Development Director, Julia Hajduk, is currently working on submitting an improvement application through the county for Edy Rd. It will include some road work and sidewalks. Ms. Hajduk will be including a letter of support from the Traffic Safety Committee in that process.

City Engineer, Bob Galati, informed the committee that he will be retiring before the end of this year. The City is hoping to find somebody to overlap with him so that they can work together before he leaves.

There's a lot of focus on Edy and Elwert roads. Mr. Galati just completed a traffic study report that they will be talking about at their next TSC meeting. Adjusting the speed limit on Edy and Elwert requires county and state level approvals and cannot be reduced more than 10 mph at a time. They have submitted a request to lower the speed limit to 35. Councilor Young stated that the City is addressing that with the county, as it is felt that 35 is too high in certain locations. Ms. Foster added that the 35 mph had been approved by the county and it is now being reviewed at the state level.

7. Councilor News

For the sake of time, Councilor Young just made one announcement stating that Community Development Director, Julia Hajduk, had accepted a position as City Manager for Stayton. She has two weeks left with Sherwood.

8. Staff Report(s)

a. SPD Staffing / Hiring Update – Chief Hanlon

This information was provided earlier in the meeting (see agenda item, 5c).

9. Citizen Comment (See Exhibit "C".)

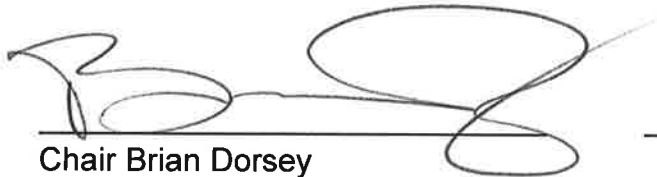
Submitted by Sherwood citizen, Robert Ahrens and read aloud by Angie Hass.


10. Adjourn (Chair)

Vice Chair Thornton made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Schapp seconded the motion. All board members were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 16th at 7 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:


Chair Brian Dorsey


Date

Attest:


Angie Hass, Admin Assistant III


Date



Exhibit "A"

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and
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Crime in Washington County

- Three primary factors:
 - Funding
 - Addiction
 - Portland
- Not *caused* by pandemic, but *exacerbated* by it
- First, some good news...





A Look at the Numbers

Washington County's Person and Property Reported Crime Statistics



 **50%**
Lower Than Multnomah County

 **30%**
Lower Than all of Oregon

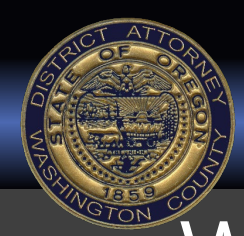
Source:

-Information on reported crime for Oregon counties comes from the Oregon State Police interactive crime data tool, <https://www.oregon.gov/osp/pages/uniform-crime-reporting-data.aspx>, and from the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission crime data dashboard, <https://www.oregon.gov/CJC/SAC/Pages/oucr.aspx>.

-Date range is 1/1/20 to 11/30/21

Crime in Washington County

- Washington County is the safest large county in Oregon
 - Lowest overall crime rate of 5 most populous counties
 - 4 of 20 safest cities in Oregon are in Washington County
 - Homicide rate in Washington County was *9 times lower* than Multnomah County (2020)



Washington County is a statewide leader in:

- **Use of specialty/treatment courts**
 - We operate a dozen programs
- **Supporting vulnerable victims (children and DV victims)**
 - We are establishing the Family Peace Center
- **Efficient use of government resources**
 - DA's Office is about 1/2 the size as Multnomah County
- **Prosecuting crime**
 - We filed more criminal cases in 2020 & 2021 than Multnomah County





FUNDING



Washington County Jail

- 2nd smallest jail in Oregon per capita
- Forced releases likely to exceed 2,000 this year (1,097 forced releases in 2021)
- County needs to increase funding and expand capacity



Washington County Sheriff's Office Hillsboro, OR Forced Release Report

For the week, 02/27/22 to 03/05/22		Forced Releases each year through March 5		Total forced releases for the year	
Total Bookings:	194	2022	353	2022 (to date)	353
Total Releases:	196	2021	67	2021	1097
Total Forced Releases:	19	2020	192	2020	463
		2019	217	2019	1069



Washington DA's Office

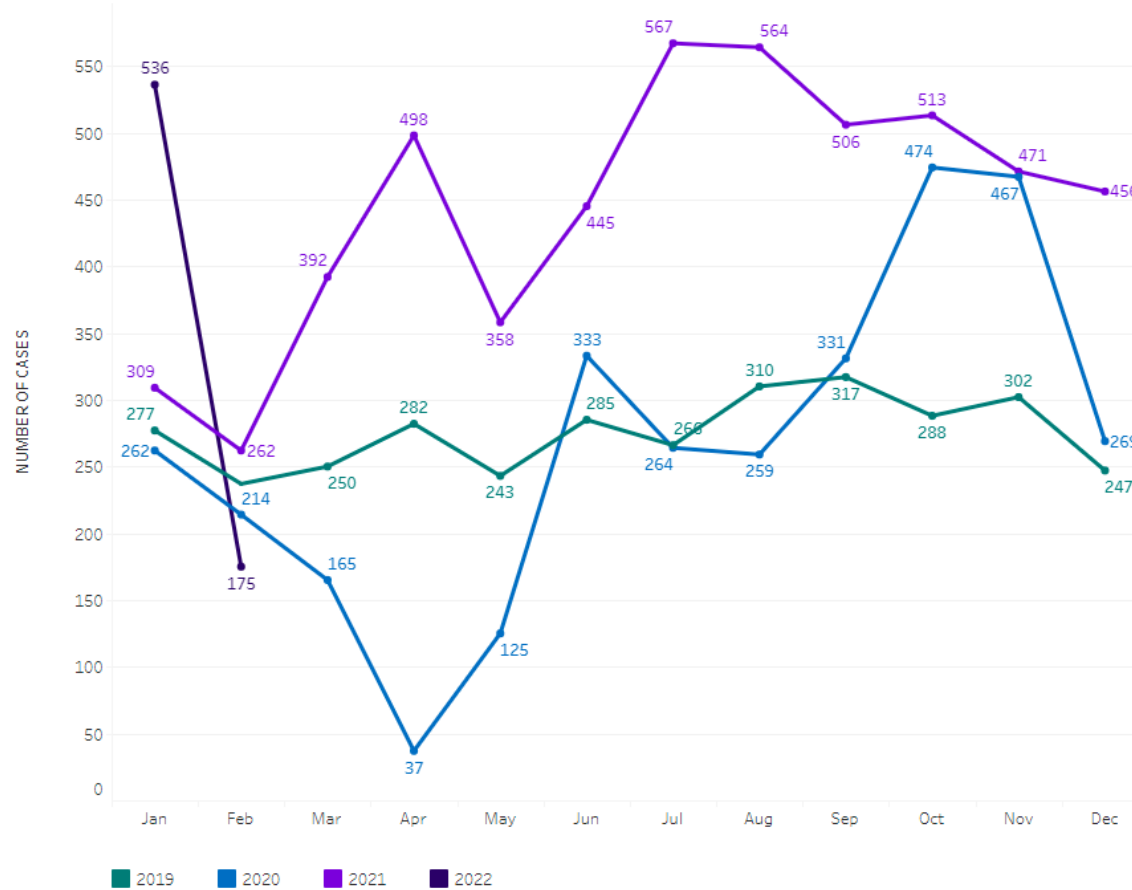
- Wash. County budgets 76% of what Mult. County does for prosecution
- Wash. County prosecutors carry 186% caseload as Mult. County
- We need more prosecutors, victim advocates and support staff
- County needs to increase public safety funding





Washington County Circuit Court

FAILURES TO APPEAR



NOTES

Cases with an FTA event code entered since January 1, 2019. Excludes Juvenile cases.
 Calculations by case. Double counting may occur if the defendant FTA'd in multiple months/years.

2019	January	277
	February	237
	March	250
	April	282
	May	243
	June	285
	July	266
	August	310
	September	317
	October	288
	November	302
	December	247
2020	January	262
	February	214
	March	165
	April	37
	May	125
	June	333
	July	264
	August	259
	September	331
	October	474
	November	467
	December	269
2021	January	309
	February	262
	March	392
	April	498
	May	358
	June	445
	July	567
	August	564
	September	506
	October	513
	November	471
	December	456
2022	January	536
	February	175

Data as of 2/11/2022 4:00:30 AM



ADDICTION



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- Addiction is a significant factor in property crime
 - Meth and Heroin addiction is epidemic
 - Overdose deaths are skyrocketing

Details of Findings: SUDORS Opioid Overdose Deaths

Mortality data for 2021 are not yet complete, as a result numbers for recent months may change. Unintentional opioid overdose deaths in 2021 are higher than the corresponding months of 2020 and 2019.

- 2019 unintentional opioid overdose deaths total 280.
- 2020 unintentional opioid overdose deaths currently total 472.
- 2021 unintentional opioid overdose deaths from January to August currently total 473.

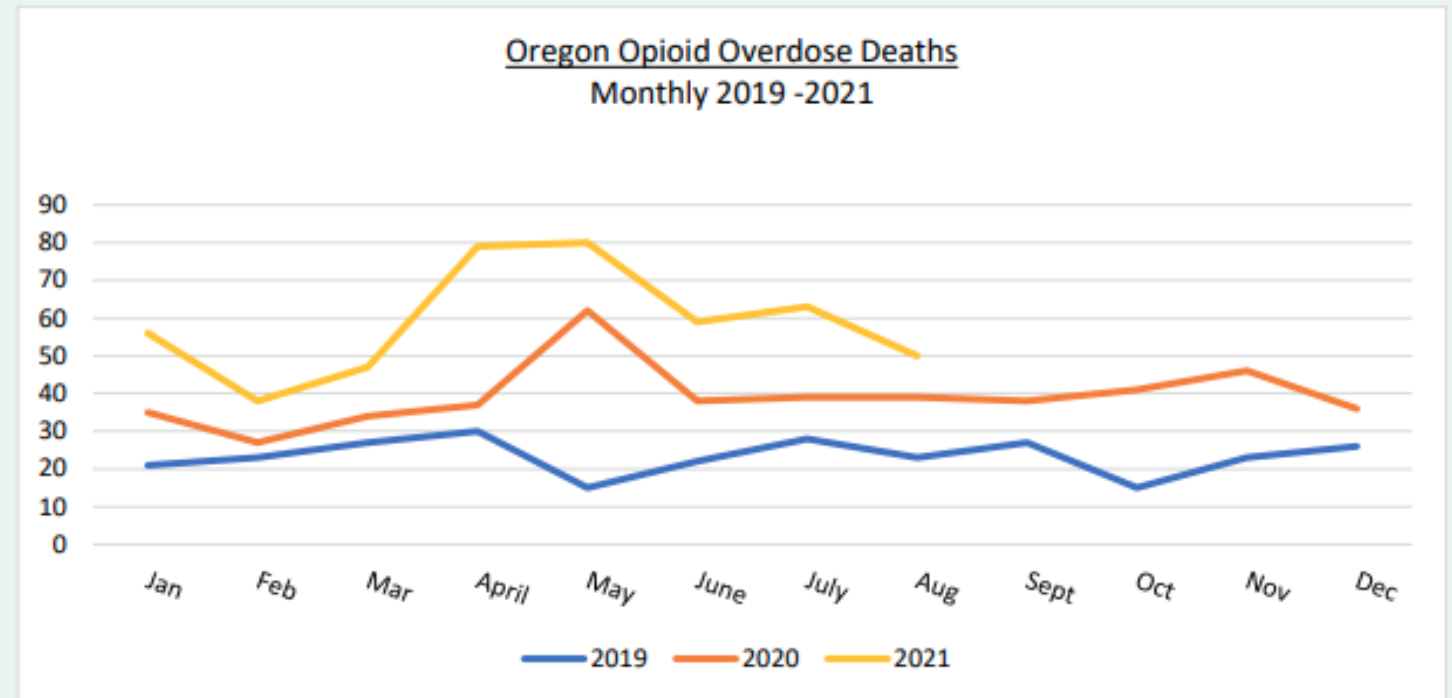
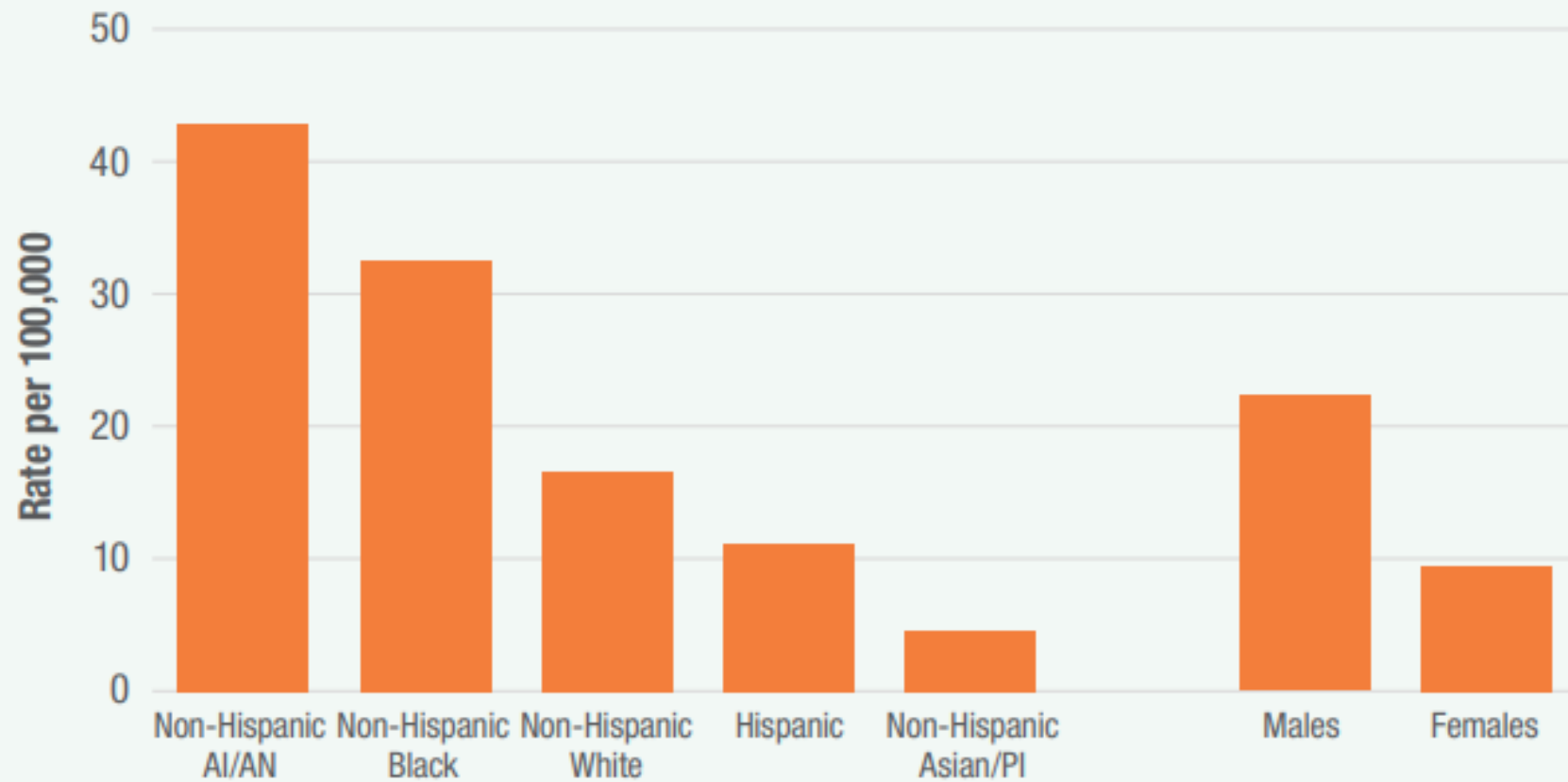




Figure 3: Crude rates of unintentional drug overdose death by race/ethnicity and sex, Oregon, 2020



Source: SUDORS



- BM 110 decriminalized most drug possession as of Feb 2021
 - Key goal: increase addiction treatment
- Result:
 - Most drug users do not receive a citation
 - For those who do, most don't show up in court
 - For those who do show up, most don't receive treatment

BM 110

Class E Violations Through 12/31/21

- Filed in 33 circuit courts
- 1826 Cases with Class E violations
 - 49 with offenses reduced from criminal charges filed before 2/1/21
 - 1777 cases on or after the 2/1/21 effective date
 - 1314 with convictions (74%)
 - 498 in court
 - 816 failed to appear
 - 129 with dismissals (7%)
 - 329 pending (18%)
 - 13 juveniles cases
 - 55 assessment/screening verifications received
 - 143 people have multiple cases with Class E violations
 - Most Class E violations are for possession of meth (67%) or heroin (21%).
 - 123 were issued to non-Oregon residents from 14 states.



PORTLAND

Burglary—81% increase since 2019

	Multnomah County	Remainder
2019	8.8%	91.3%
2020	14.3%	85.7%
2021	16.0%	84.0%

Robbery—114% increase since 2019

	Multnomah County	Remainder
2019	7.8%	92.2%
2020	7.5%	92.5%
2021	16.7%	83.3%

Unlawful Entry into Motor Vehicle (UEMV)—85% increase since 2019

	Multnomah County	Remainder
2019	9.3%	90.7%
2020	9.3%	90.7%
2021	17.2%	82.8%

Unlawful Use of Vehicle (UUV)—35% increase since 2019

	Multnomah County	Remainder
2019	14.2%	85.8%
2020	14.3%	85.7%
2021	19.2%	80.8%

Firearms Offenses—139% increase since 2019

	Multnomah County	Remainder
2019	4.6%	95.4%
2020	14.4%	85.6%
2021	11.0%	89.0%

Multnomah County Criminals in Washington County



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Portland sees over 10,000 stolen vehicles in the past year, police data shows

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5 Comments



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- 10,000 cars stolen last year in Portland (28 every day)
- # of stolen cars doubled Feb 2022 compared to Feb 2021

Gresham and Portland car thefts plotted against Multnomah county property and drug prosecution reductions

CONVICTION AND SENTENCE REDUCTIONS vs. CAR THEFTS



LEFT SCALE

- Months of Multnomah County Property and Drug Prison Sentences Imposed
- Reported Car Thefts in Portland and Gresham

RIGHT SCALE

- Multnomah County Property and Drug Conviction Total

NOTES

(1) Prison sentence totals reflect a rolling sum of 12-month prison terms imposed in Multnomah County. (2) The 2021 data are projections based on year-to-date information available as of December 2021.

SOURCES

Oregon Criminal Justice Commission JRI dashboard
FBI Crime Data Explorer

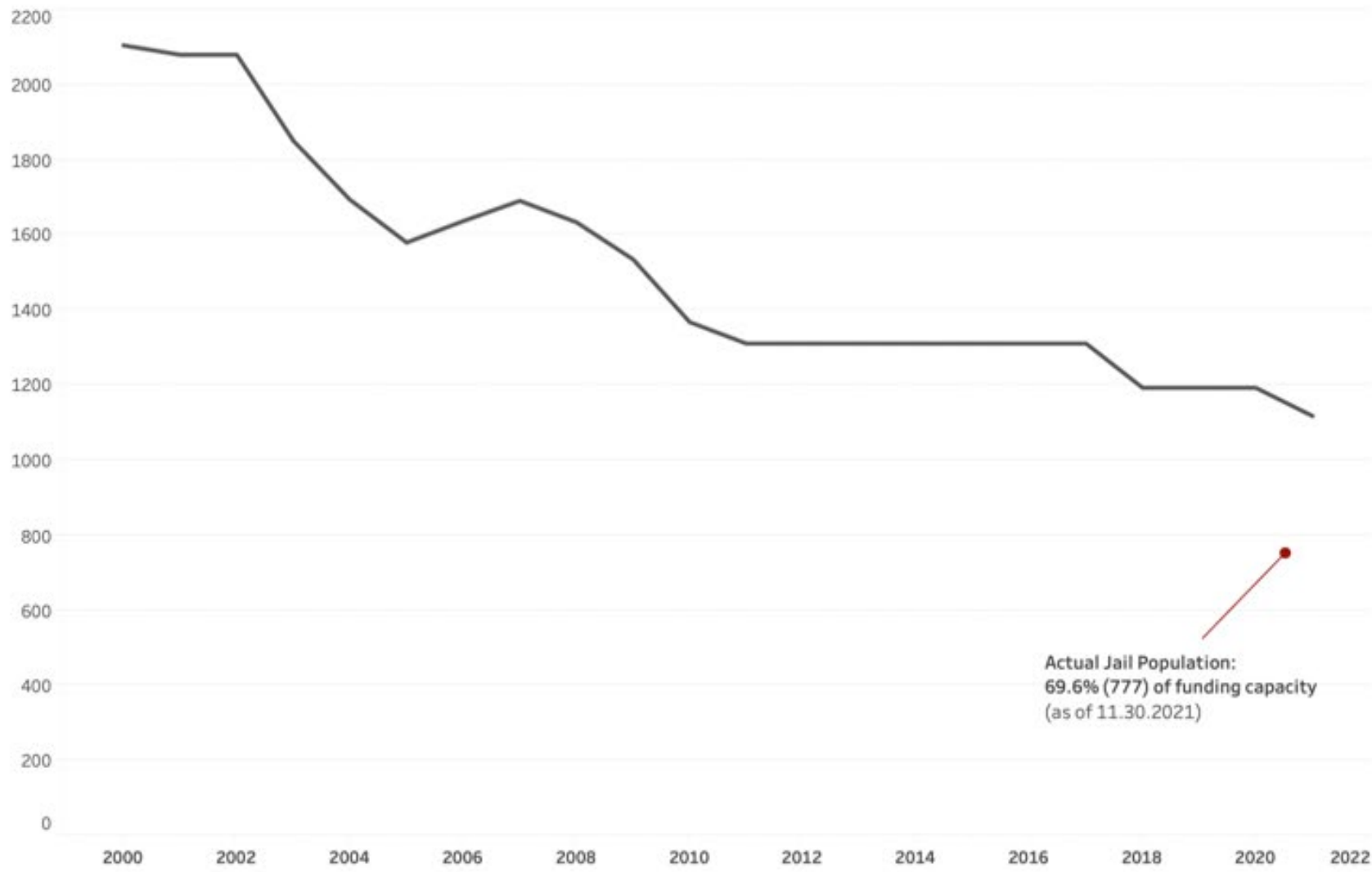
Reductions in criminal offenders under supervision in Multnomah County



Sources: 2015-2020 Multnomah County historical budgets, Multnomah County Dept. of Community Justice adopted budgets

Multnomah
County
reductions
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jail beds

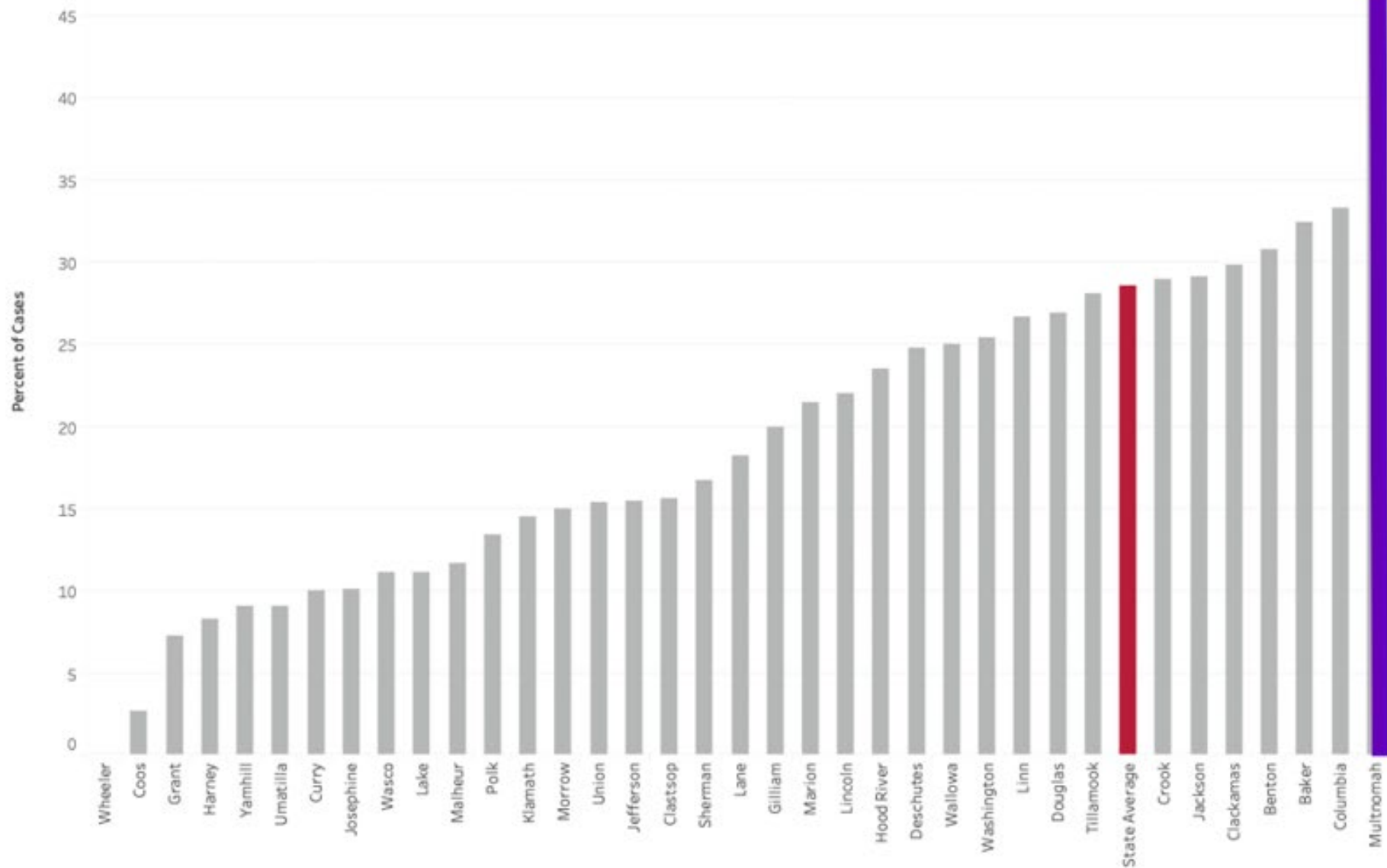
MULTNOMAH COUNTY JAIL BED REDUCTIONS



Actual Jail Population:
69.6% (777) of funding capacity
(as of 11.30.2021)

Sources: 2001-2021 Multnomah County historical budgets,
Multnomah County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) adopted
budget, MCSO Monthly Jail Report

AGE OF FELONY CASES (2021)
PERCENT OF CASES OVER 12 MONTHS





Ways you can help

- Contact County Commissioner
- Talk to friends/neighbors
- Share awareness on social media
- Work with cities to communicate with county





Q. What can you do?

A. Contact your **county commissioner** to indicate your support for **funding public safety**

and

Contact your **legislator** to indicate your desire to address failures of **BM 110**

Questions?



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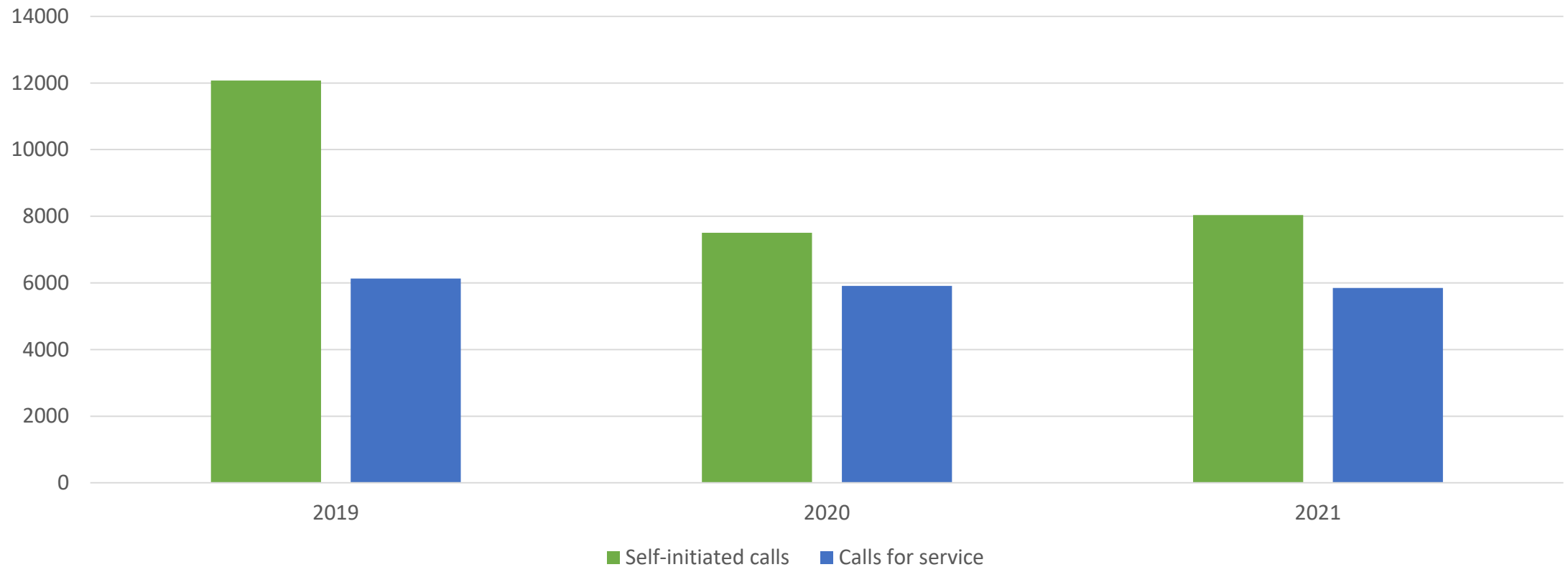
Exhibit "B"

Update on Service Statistics Sherwood Police Department

Ty Hanlon, Chief

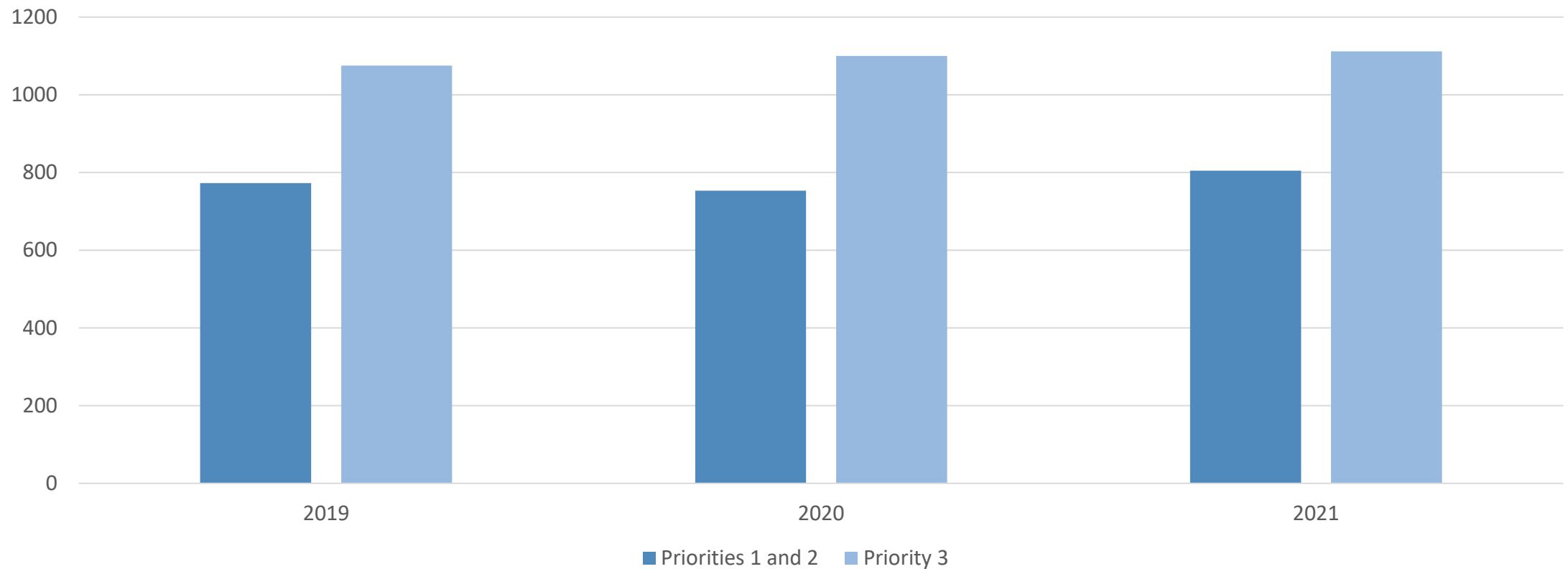
Calls for service are unchanged despite pandemic.

Annual number of service events.

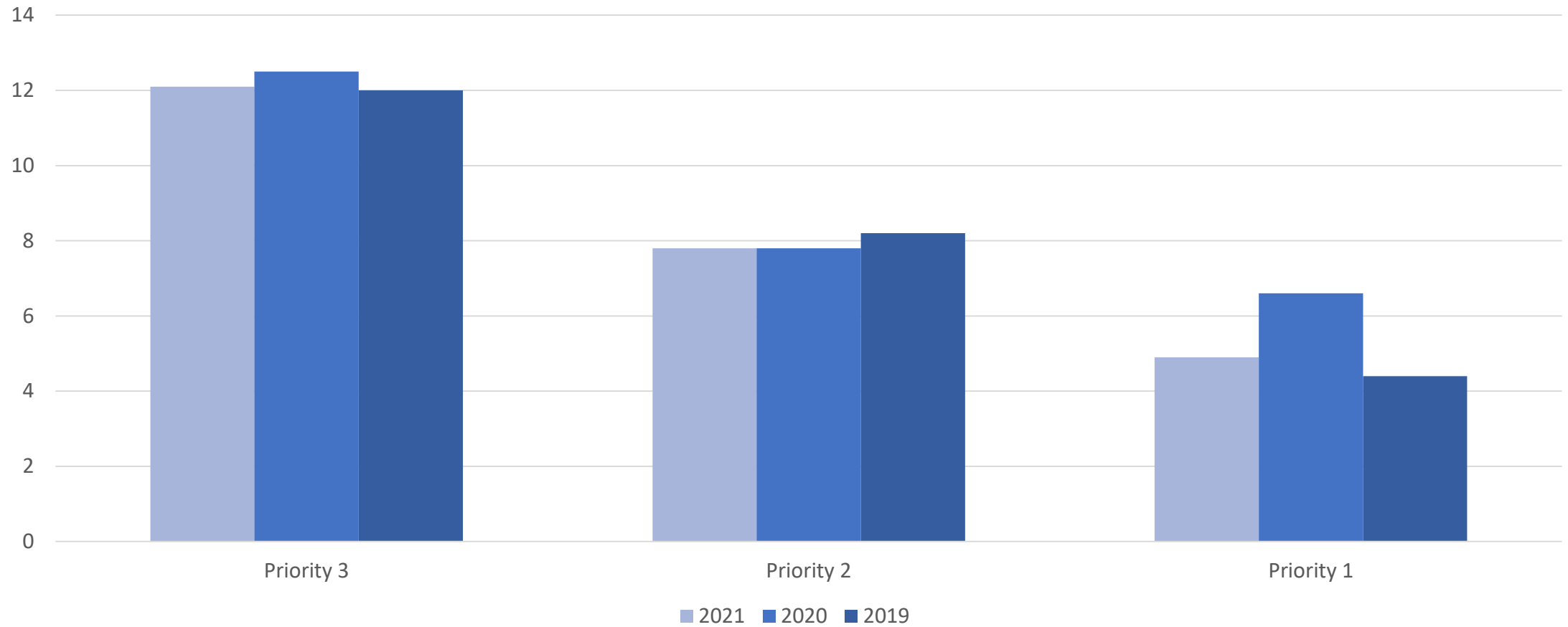


Annual number of high priority calls for service have been consistent over the last 3 years.

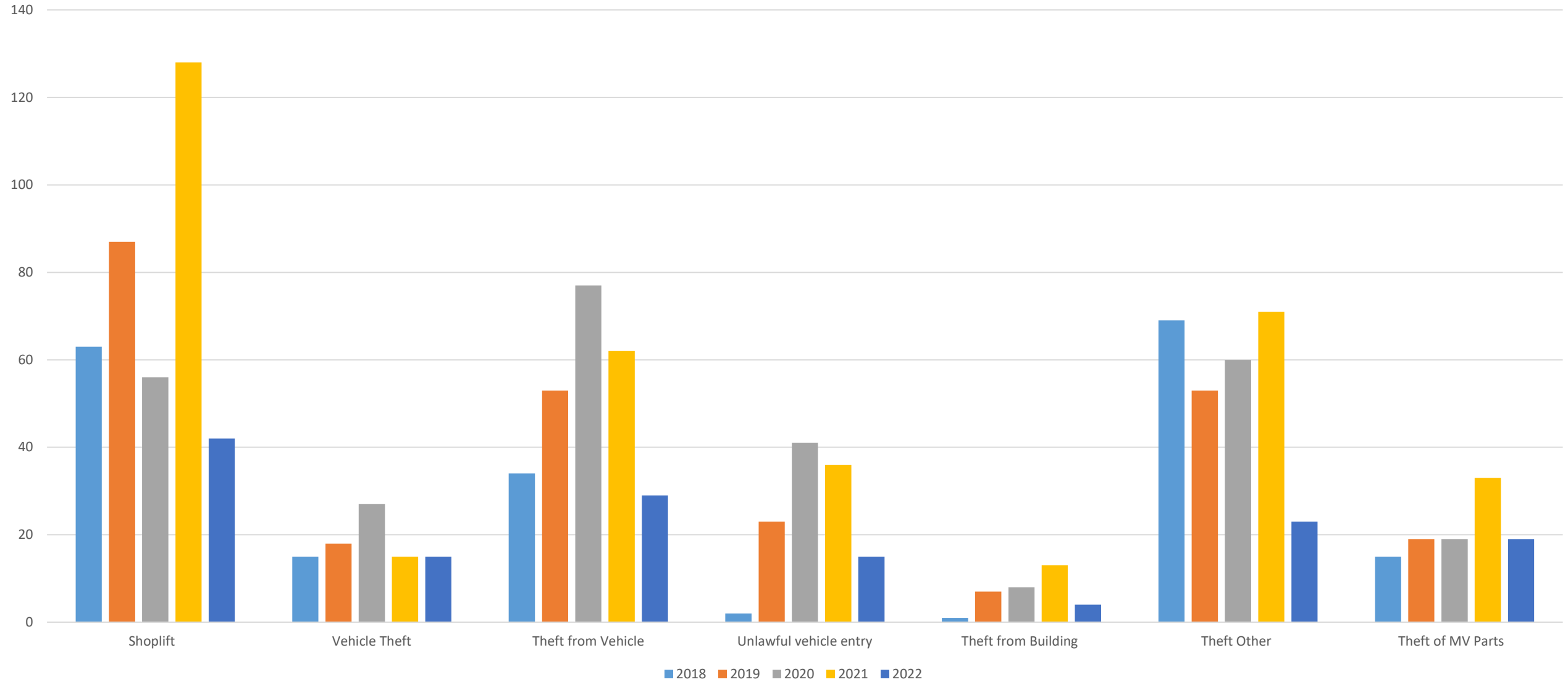
Annual number of calls for service, by priority category.



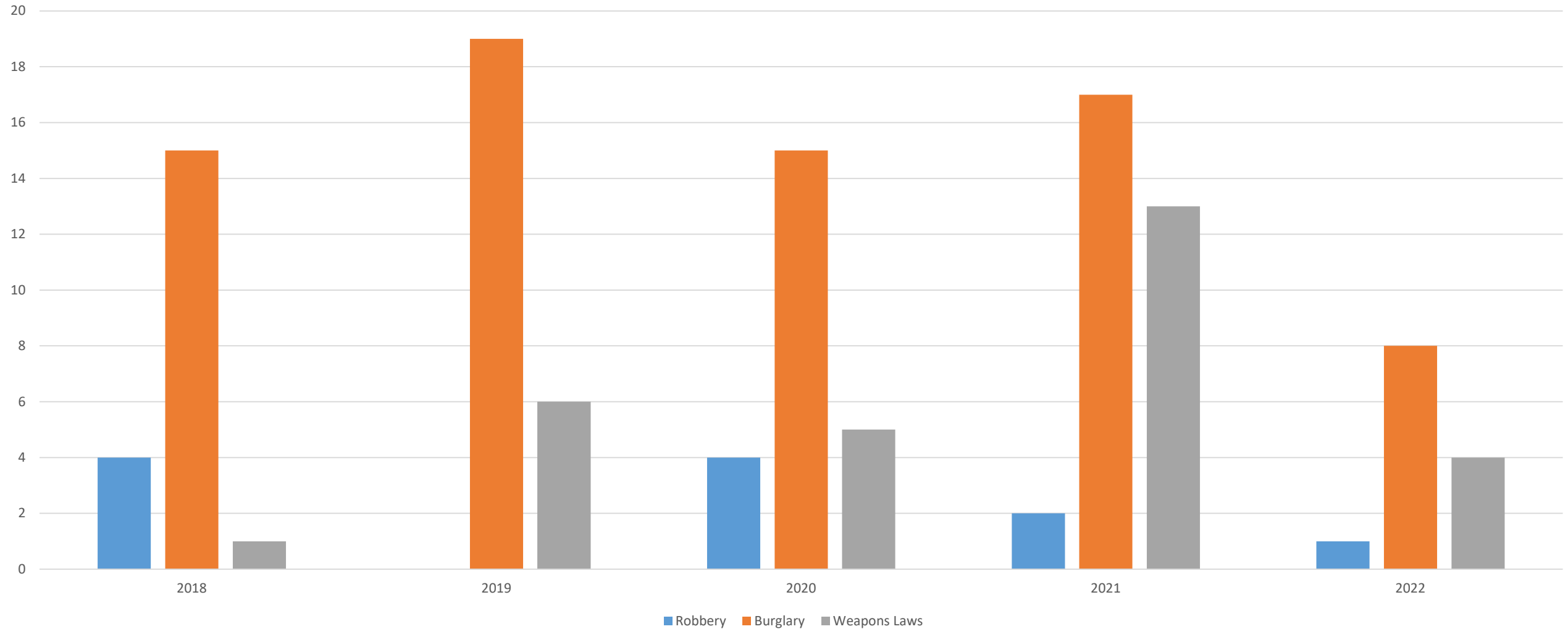
Average Response Time For Calls For Service (minutes)



Theft Related Crimes Increase



Rise in Serious Offenses



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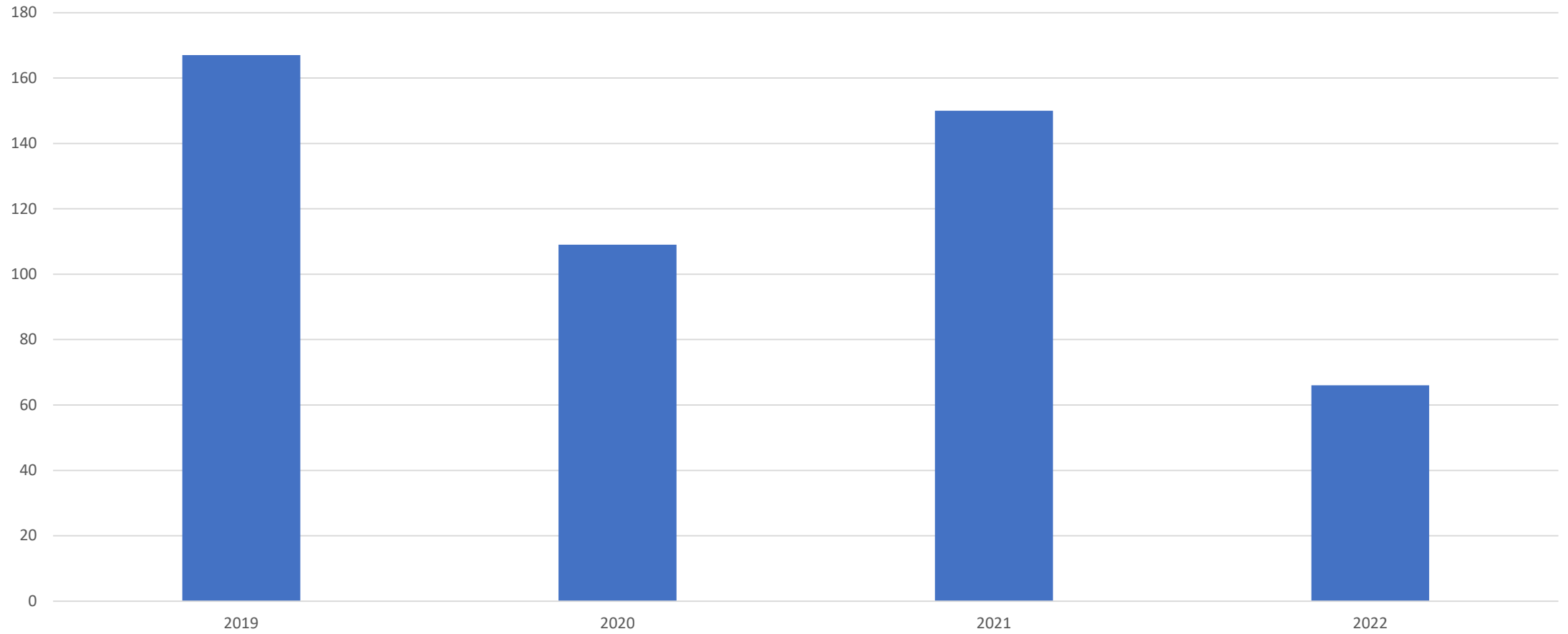


Exhibit "C"

From: Robert Ahrens

Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 4:18 PM

Subject: Citizen Comment for the Thursday, May 19, 2022 meeting of the Advisory Board

To the Sherwood Police Advisory Committee

This is a Citizen Comment for the Thursday, May 19, 2022 meeting of the Advisory Board.

My name is Robert Ahrens, and I live in Sherwood, Oregon.

Recently, I have seen multiple instances of a reference to the Sherwood Police Foundation Facebook Page in the "Suggested Pages" section of my own Facebook feed. Obviously, Facebook has noticed our mutual location!

Before I get to my concern, though, I'd like to preface by noting that nothing about this should indicate a lack of support for our Police Department nor the individual members/employees of that Department. They do a dangerous job, and for that, they have my full support.

But the picture the Foundation uses for their cover photo on Facebook is the black & white thin blue line flag that, unfortunately, holds some very unpleasant connotations for many Americans because of its adoption by some extremist groups. For that reason, I and many people do not see it as a fitting symbol to bring people together as a community. It is the cover photo for their page, and to have it appear on a "Suggested Page" section isn't comfortable for me to see. I believe it sends the wrong message to the public.

I have urged the Foundation to rethink their use of this symbol, so our community can move forward without the division it can cause. I also urge the Sherwood Police Department to consider its own response to the use of it as well.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my concern with this issue.