



City of
SACRAMENTO

Office of Public Safety Accountability

Quarterly Report

Q4 – 2022

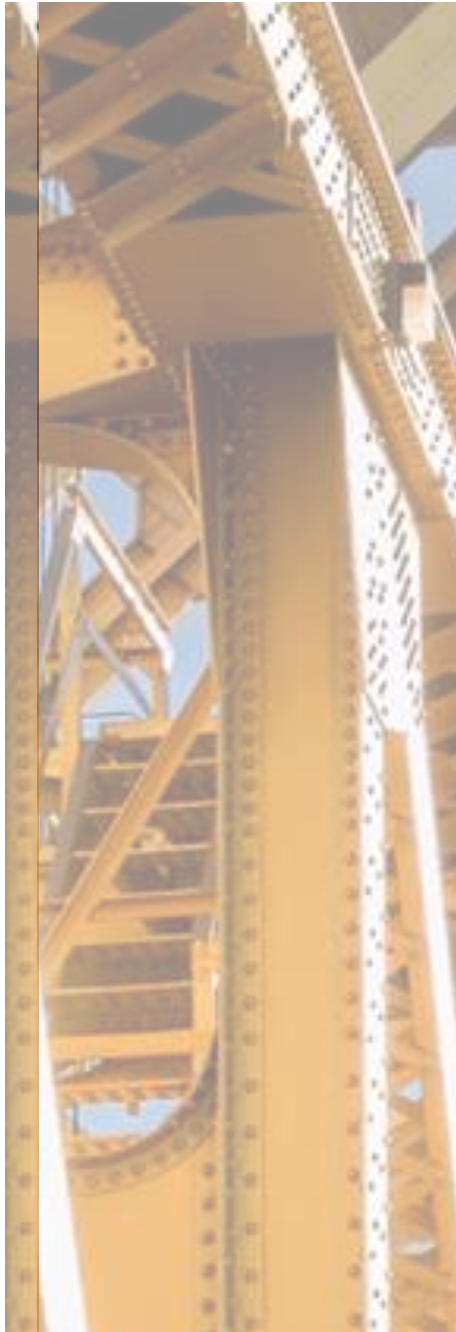
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As required by City Code section 2.22.040, the director, at a minimum, shall prepare quarterly reports consistent with California Penal Code section 832.7(c), relating to the number, kind, and status of all citizen complaints filed against police department personnel for review by the Sacramento community police review commission and the city council.



SUMMARY

The City of Sacramento’s Office of Public Safety Accountability (OPSA) encompasses oversight practitioners responsible for the investigation, review, and audit of allegations of misconduct involving the Sacramento Police Department (SPD) and the Sacramento Fire Department (SFD) personnel. OPSA ensures that investigations have been completed fairly, thoroughly, and objectively.

The Office of Public Safety Accountability continues its efforts in the improvement of policing and better serving the interests of the public. The goals and objectives of the office involves creating meaningful opportunities for the community to influence decisions that impact them, incorporating innovative and progressive ideas to resolve issues, explaining challenges and limitations, and ensuring outcomes meet goals while remaining inclusive and accessible.

OPSA MISSION

The Mission of the Office of Public Safety Accountability is to improve the relationship between the City's public safety departments and the community they protect and serve. We promote trust, excellence, transparency, and accountability through independent and impartial oversight of complaints related to public safety employee misconduct.

SPOTLIGHT: COMPLAINTS

- Complainant alleged that he was falsely accused of being involved in a sideshow and that he does not recall giving officers permission to search his vehicle.
- Complainant alleged that inappropriate behavior by a custodian was witnessed in the men's restroom in police headquarters.
- Complainant alleged that his employee's daughter was sexually assaulted. His employee contacted the police and was told that there was nothing that could be done.
- Complainant alleged that officers conducted an illegal probation search at her residence and that two officers are harassing her.
- Complainant alleged that an officer is harassing him. He alleged that the officer stopped him and issued him a citation in retaliation to a complaint that filed on the officer with Internal Affairs in 2018.
- Complainant alleged that officers pulled him over on a traffic stop because of his race and hairstyle.
- Complainant alleged that her sons and nephew were pulled over by officers and told to get out of the vehicle. Her sons and nephew were detained in the back of the police vehicle for a routine traffic stop.

WAYS TO FILE A COMPLAINT



Call: (916) 808-7525



Online: <https://www.cityofsacramento.org/OPSA>



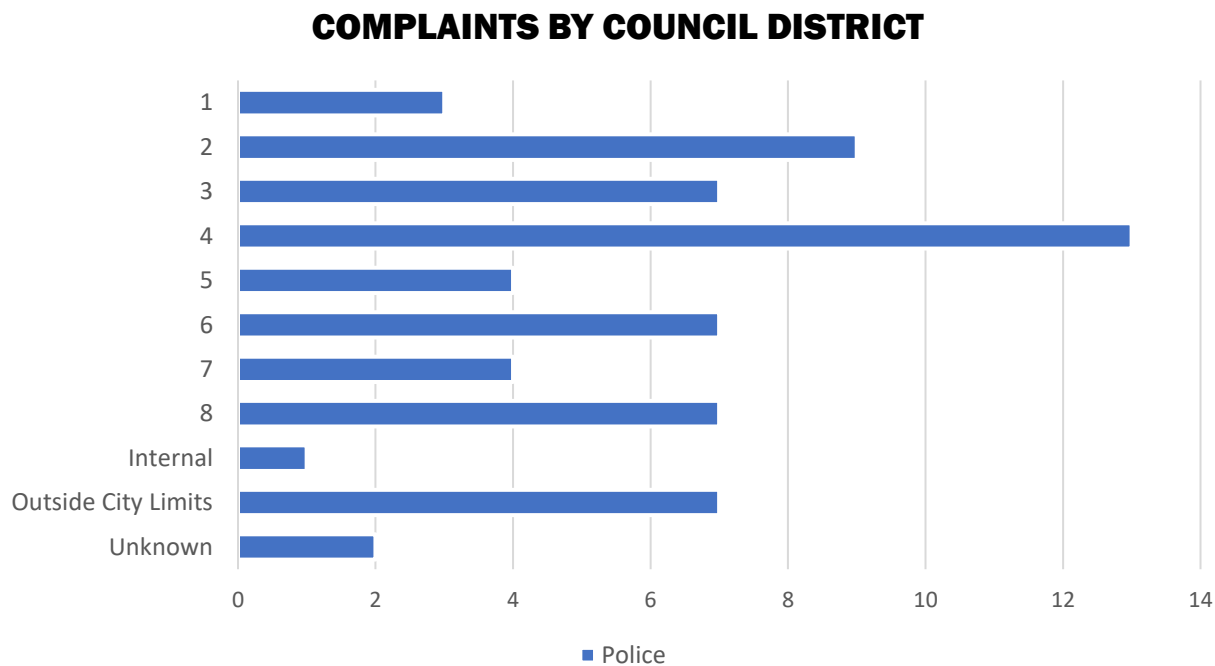
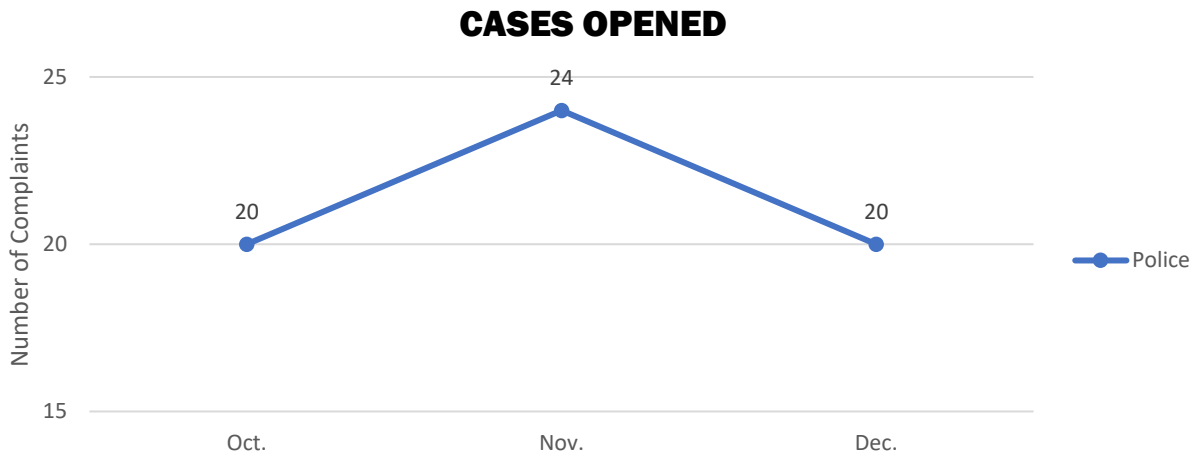
Mail: 915 I Street, Historic City Hall 3rd Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Due to COVID-19, OPSA staff is currently not available to receive in person complaints at the office.

ALLEGATIONS/COMPLAINTS

The Office of Public Safety Accountability received 64 complaints against police personnel containing 183 allegations during the Fourth Quarter of 2022.

There were 13 additional allegations of misconduct reported to the office that did not involve public safety employees in the City of Sacramento. The OPSA staff does its best to connect these complainants with the proper agency or provide further information to help them resolve their concern.



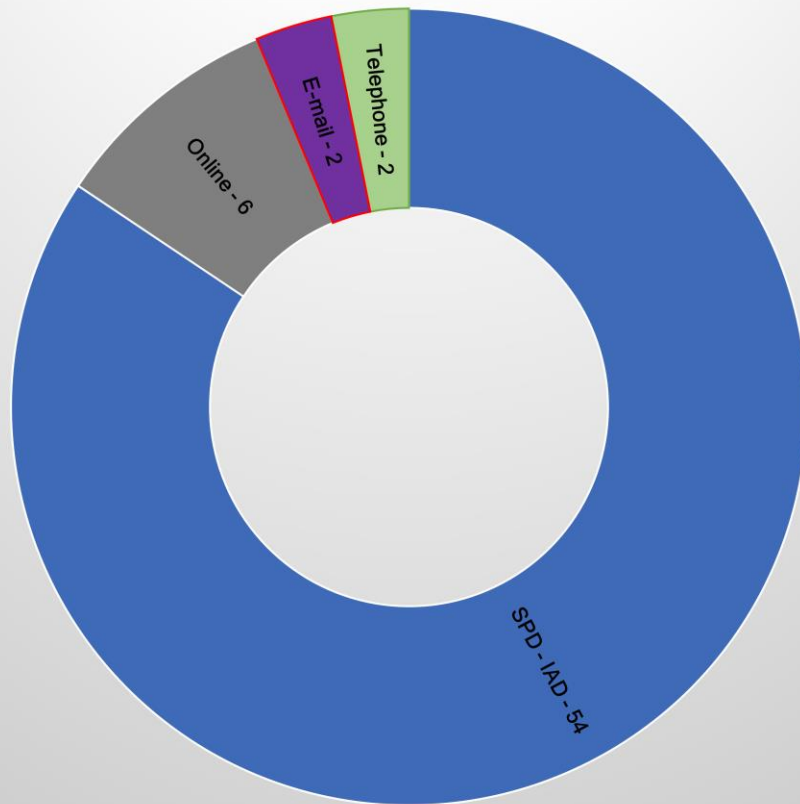
ALLEGATIONS BY TYPE

Allegation	Number of Allegations
	Police
City Equipment	0
Conduct Unbecoming	6
Discourtesy	18
Discrimination	1
Dishonesty	4
False Arrest	23
Force	7
Harassment	5
Improper Search & Seizure	37
Improper Tactics	18
Insubordination	0
Missing Property	1
Neglect of Duty	23
Profiling	10
Service	26
Traffic	4
Total	183

Note: One complaint can include multiple allegations.

COMPLAINT FILING METHOD

■ Online - 6 ■ SPD - IAD - 54 ■ Telephone - 2 ■ E-mail - 2

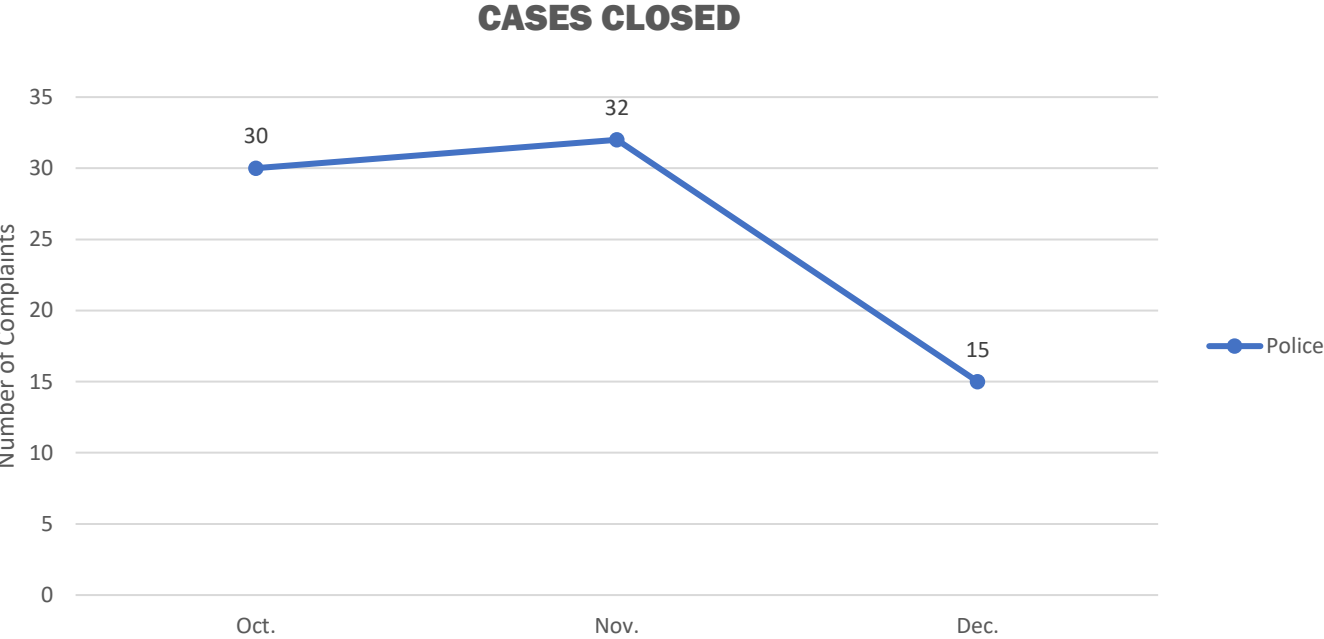


Note: Internal Affairs Division (IAD)

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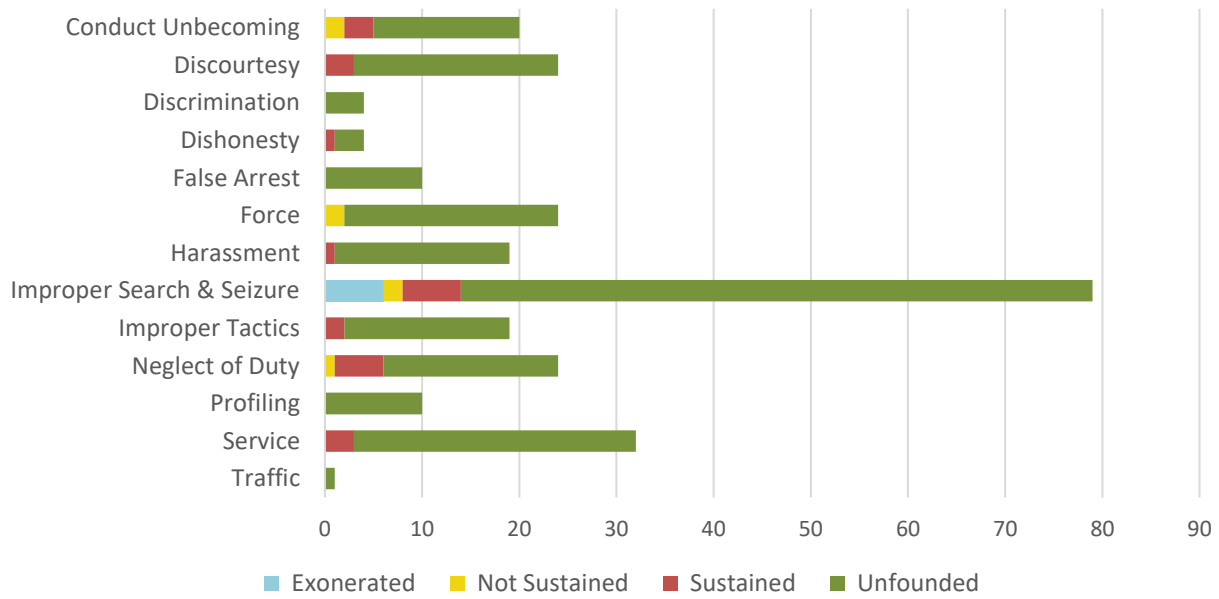
Police

There were 77 police complaints containing 270 allegations that were closed during the Fourth Quarter of 2022. 24 of the allegations were closed with a disposition of Sustained, which is a 9% Sustained rate. The remaining 246 allegations did not yield any policy violations.

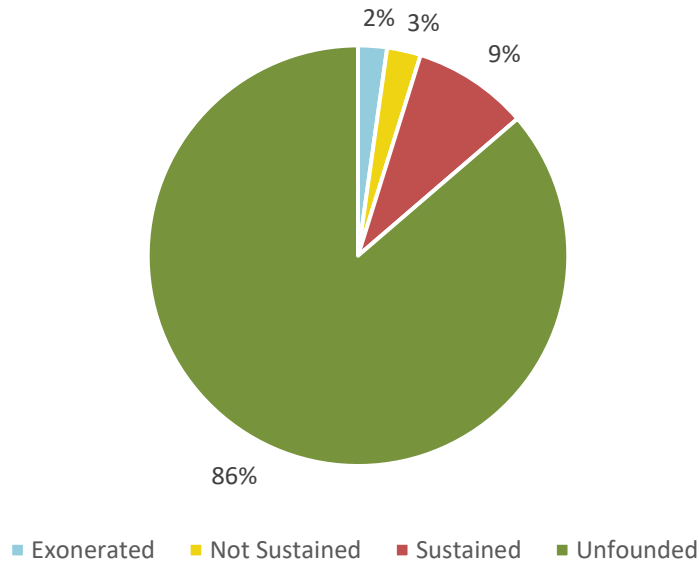


Police

DISPOSITIONS BY ALLEGATION



ALLEGATION DISPOSITIONS



COMPLAINANT DEMOGRAPHICS

The OPSA does its best to collect demographic information from complainants and through information provided by SFD for complaints filed directly with each department. Departmental complaints that are internally generated without a specific complainant are not included in the data below.

Complainant	Police	
	Number	Percent
Age		
18 and under	0	0%
19-30	16	27%
31-40	9	16%
41-50	15	26%
51-60	7	12%
61-70	5	9%
Over 70	2	3%
Unknown	4	7%
Total	58	100%

Gender	Number	Percent
Female	31	53%
Male	26	45%
Unknown	1	2%
Total	58	100%

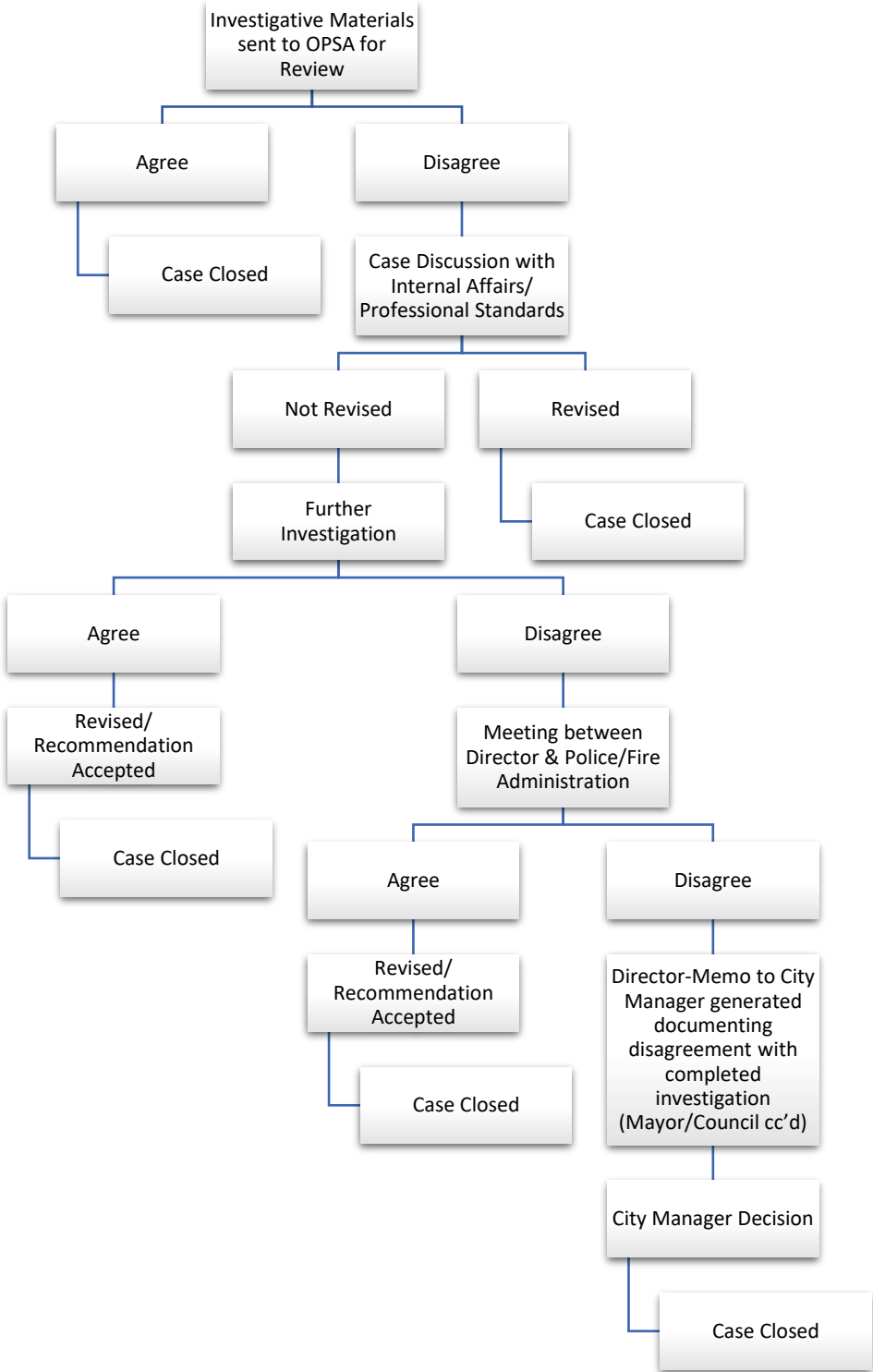
Race/Ethnicity	Number	Percent
Asian	1	2%
Black/African American	33	57%
Hispanic/Latino	6	10%
White/Caucasian	12	21%
Bi-racial	1	2%
Unknown	5	8%
Total	58	100%

Note: Percentages may not add up due to rounding. Internal cases are not included in this data set. OPSA tracks additional Gender/Race/Ethnicity categories, but only includes reportable quarterly data.

REVIEWS

An overview of the OPSA review process can be found in the chart below.

Review Process Chart



REVIEWS

Under the direction, control, and supervision of the City of Sacramento Mayor and City of Sacramento City Council, the Office of Public Safety Accountability tracks and monitors any internal investigation, reviews completed investigations, and advises the Sacramento Police Chief and the Sacramento Fire Chief of deficient investigations involving misconduct allegations against public safety personnel.

OPSA receives all police and fire complaints, regardless of where the complaints are filed. After OPSA conducts a preliminary review of each alleged complaint, a determination is made as to whether the case will or will not be reviewed. OPSA documents the determination by sending a review form to the Sacramento Police Department Internal Affairs Division and Sacramento Fire Department Professional Standards Division indicating whether the case will be reviewed or not reviewed. For all cases selected for oversight review, OPSA receives access to all investigative materials utilized to render a finding prior to discipline being imposed.

During Q4 of 2022, OPSA reviewed 43% of the completed investigations filed against the Sacramento Police Department. Of the completed investigations reviewed by OPSA, eight investigations for police required further review.

Review Finding Options

- Agree
- Discussed – Revised
- Discussed – Not Revised, Memo Sent
- Discussed – Further Investigation, Agree/Recommendation Accepted
- Discussed – Further Investigation, Disagree/Memo Sent

Further Review Results

Month	Case Type	Recommendation/Disagreement	Outcome
October	Police	Allegation Should Be Sustained	Discussed – Further Investigation - Agree
October	Police	Allegation Should Be Sustained	Discussed – Further Investigation - Agree
October	Police	Allegation Should Be Sustained	Discussed – Further Investigation - Agree
October	Police	Additional Allegation	Discussed-Further Investigation, Agree/Recommendation Accepted
November	Police	Allegation Should Be Sustained	Discussed – Further Investigation - Agree

November	Police	Allegation Should Be Sustained	Discussed – Further Investigation - Agree
November	Police	Allegation Should Be Sustained	Discussed – Further Investigation - Agree
December	Police	Allegation Should Be Sustained	Discussed – Further Investigation, Disagree/Recommendation Under Consideration

CRITICAL INCIDENTS

Officer-Involved Shooting - 6800 Block of Di Lusso Drive

On October 11, 2022, just after 12:00 p.m., Sacramento Police Department detectives were at a residential apartment complex in the 6800 block of Di Lusso Drive in Elk Grove. The detectives were attempting to locate 32-year-old Terry Sharp, who was wanted for a felony fraud warrant originating from Orange County (CA) and was a person of interest in an active assault investigation in the City of Sacramento.

Around 12:10 p.m., detectives located Sharp in the complex's parking lot and attempted to arrest him. When the detectives made contact with Sharp, he began manipulating a firearm that he was holding. Detectives told him to drop the gun multiple times. Sharp refused their commands while continuing to hold the gun and an officer-involved shooting occurred.

Officers rendered emergency aid before medical personnel transported Sharp to an area hospital for treatment. He remains in police custody as he receives medical treatment. Detectives recovered Sharp's firearm at the scene.

This incident is being investigated by the Elk Grove Police Department's Investigation Bureau, the Sacramento Police Department's Internal Affairs Division, and Professional Standards Unit. Sacramento Police Department Force Investigation Team will also conduct an investigation into the incident. The investigation will focus on policy, tactics, and training regarding the use of force. The Office of Public Safety Accountability and the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office are providing oversight by monitoring the investigation.

This incident falls under the City Council's policy on Police Use of Force as well as Senate Bill 1421. As a result, the video and audio associated with this incident will be released to the public within 30 days.

OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT

None