



Houston Police Department

Operational Summary

January 2013

Report Date Range: January 1, 2013 to January 31, 2012

The Badge Means We Care

The mission of the Houston Police Department is to enhance the quality of life in the city of Houston by working cooperatively with the public to prevent crime, enforce the law, preserve the peace, and provide a safe environment.

Classified Employees ¹		
	Jan 12	Jan 13
Class A	5,329	5,338
Class B	0	0
Class C	2	2
TOTAL	5,331	5,340
Population	2,279,622	2,087,844
Rate per 1,000	2.34	2.56

Crime Statistics ² - Part I Crime				
	YTD 12	YTD 13	YTD Difference	YTD % Difference
Murder	15	16	1	6.7%
Forcible Rape	58	56	-2	-3.4%
Robbery	830	951	121	14.6%
Aggravated Assault	929	782	-147	-15.8%
VIOLENT CRIME	1,832	1,805	-27	-1.5%
Burglary	2,427	2,315	-112	-4.6%
Theft	5,495	6,124	629	11.4%
Auto Theft	1,070	1,197	127	11.9%
NON-VIOLENT CRIME	8,992	9,636	644	7.2%
TOTAL PART 1 CRIMES:	10,824	11,441	617	5.70%

Commendations ³				
	YTD 12	YTD 13	YTD Difference	YTD % Difference
Citizen	75	110	35	46.7%
Department	380	306	-74	-19.5%
TOTAL	455	416	-39	-8.6%

Complaints ⁴				
	YTD 12	YTD 13	YTD Difference	YTD % Difference
Internal Complaints	76	75	-1	-1.3%
External Complaints	16	19	3	18.8%
TOTAL	92	94	2	2.2%
New Cases	247	198	-49	-19.8%

Response Times ⁵				
	YTD 12	YTD 13	YTD Difference	YTD % Difference
Priority 1	4.8	4.9	0.1	2.1%
Priority 2	9.9	10.0	0.1	1.0%
Priority 3	21.5	22.3	0.8	3.7%
Priority 4	34.0	34.8	0.8	2.4%
AVERAGE	17.6	18.0	0.4	2.5%

Calls for Service ⁵				
	YTD 12	YTD 13	YTD Difference	YTD % Difference
Priority 1	2,553	2,684	131	5.1%
Priority 2	13,836	14,141	305	2.2%
Priority 3	19,886	19,598	-288	-1.4%
Priority 4	17,684	16,948	-736	-4.2%
All Other codes	39,330	38,736	-594	-1.5%
TOTAL	93,289	92,107	-1,182	-1.3%

HPD and the Community: A Sampling of Notables⁶

Town Hall Meeting - On January 26, 2013, the Police and Clergy Alliance, along with Mayor Annise Parker and Chief Charles A. McClelland, Jr., hosted a Citywide Town Hall Meeting at Lakewood Church in Houston, Texas. After an introduction by Lakewood co-founder Dodie Osteen, Chief McClelland addressed the Department's goals, challenges, and major cultural improvements. The HPD Command Staff took questions from the audience and through social media. Afterwards, Captains from all patrol areas were on hand to meet one-on-one with the citizens who attended the session. Outside the sanctuary, various support groups, such as the Volunteer Initiatives Program and the Youth Police Advisory Council, were on hand to answer questions and provide information as well.

Academy Class 214 - On January 8, 2013, Mayor Annise Parker and Houston Police Chief Charles A. McClelland, Jr. welcomed 70 new police officers to the HPD ranks to serve and protect the citizens of Houston. The graduation ceremony for the 13 women and 57 men in Cadet Class 214 as held at the L.D. Morrison Sr. HPD Training Academy at 17000 Aldine Westfield Road.

Homeless Outreach Team Van - Houston Police Chief Charles McClelland and Mayor Annise Parker accepted the keys to a new van during a ceremony at Discovery Green. The new van for HPD's Homeless Outreach Team (HOT) has the department's new black-and-white design and is equipped with a wheelchair lift. It was donated by the Frees Foundation and the Simmons Foundation. The Homeless Outreach Team is a full-time force comprised of officers who go out every day, build relationships with the homeless and help them connect with government services. The new vehicle replaces a worn out 1999 van that was barely running. Chief McClelland stated "Obviously our patrol cars are not equipped to assist our most vulnerable residents who may be in wheelchairs and need other assistance, but this van will certainly eliminate this and it goes a long ways to help us connect our homeless to government services that they so desperately need." James Pinkerton of the Houston Chronicle, posted this story regarding the HPD's Homeless Outreach Team (HOT) unit.



¹ Human Resources WPABH report. Class B Officers were converted to Class A. ² UCR data reported to the FBI. ³ Human Resource Committee Monthly Report. ⁴ Complaints compiled from all issue classifications, department wide. Statistics represent number of employees involved in each allegation category. Multiple complaints may make up a single allegation. Some complaints may be modified upon conclusion of open investigations. ⁵ CFS Codes were changed in May 2012. Numbers differ from other published numbers due to more accurate filtering of CFS numbers. ⁶ HPD Official Website, HPD and City of Houston Press Releases, and HPD Facebook Pages.