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# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT BUREAU

# 2020 Biannual Report

January 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020

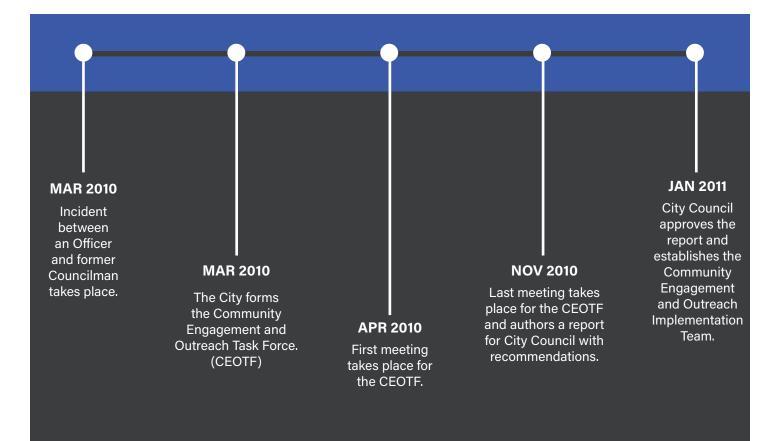


# Community Engagement & Outreach Task Force

The City formed the Community Engagement & Outreach Task Force (CEOTF) after an incident in 2010 involving a Phoenix Police Officer and a former councilman. This incident surfaced feelings and perceptions about the Phoenix Police Department, as well as its interactions with members of the community.

The CEOTF created a report with recommendations to implement strategies, as well as programs to address officer training. These recommendations established the Community Engagement and Outreach Implementation Team.

The recommendations and strategies have continued to be a major proactive emphasis within the Community Engagement Bureau and have led to amazing community programs and services.



# ENGAGEMENT BUREAU

The Community Engagement Bureau (CEB), formerly known as the Community Relations Bureau, is the central hub for citywide community engagement. CEB routinely works with personnel from all seven precincts to enhance the quality of life for the residents of Phoenix.

The Phoenix Police Department understands the importance of building and maintaining effective community partnerships. Often, these partnerships work behind the scenes to increase the quality of life for the residents of Phoenix. In this report, the Department highlights our community engagement as a way to collaborate, engage and increase connectivity with the citizens of Phoenix.

#### Crisis Community Engagement Team **Intervention Team** Community **Off-Duty Response Squad** Work Detail Police Community Activity League Programs

# **CEB SPECIALTY UNITS**

# PROGRAMS

- Citizen's Offering Police Support (COPS)
- Success With Effort & Training (SWET)
- Citizen's Police Academy (CPA)
- Probation to Reinvention (P2R)
- Police Academy Experience
- Family Police Experience
- Virtual Block Watch
- Cop for a Day

# Community Engagement Team

The Community Engagement Team (CET) aims to provide programs, services, events and platforms for community involvement to further community trust and partnerships.

- PRIDE Parade
- MLK Celebration
- World Refugee Day
- Veteran's Day Parade
- Community Connection Fair
- Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods

**EVENTS** 

- Blood Drives
- Community Fairs 🔍
- Neighborhood Clean-Ups •
- Special Olympics of Arizona 🔍
- Community Service Fund Drive
- Events at Local Universities and Colleges ●

### NVOLVEMENT

# SERVICES

- Ice Cream Truck Appearances
  - Refugee Arrival Training •
  - Active Shooter Training 

    Active Shooter Training
  - Stop the Bleed Training •

# CITIZEN'S OFFERING POLICE SUPPORT



COPS is a volunteer program dedicated to helping the Phoenix Police Department and the Community. We offer citizen volunteer and college internship opportunities from a non-enforcement capacity.

COPS has volunteer assignments in several specialty details and are required to donate four (4) hours each month per quarter.

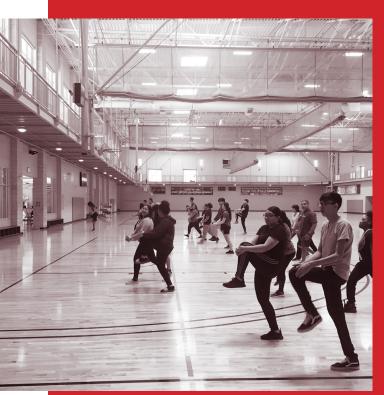
#### TOTAL VOLUNTEERS

135

total hours of service 4,703

TOTAL VALUE OF HOURS VOLUNTEERED \$ 120,0000 Approximate)

# SUCCESS WITH EFFORT & TRAINING SWET



SWET is a program, which started in November of 2018 and aims to educate and encourage participants to a healthier lifestyle by adopting basic exercise routines, without the necessity of a gym and/or weights.

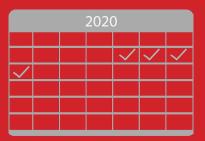
A SWET session comprises of six-weeks of exercise classes. Classes are held once a week for up to two hours. Discussions, focusing on life-choices and public safety, are held after each class.

#### TOTAL PARTICIPANTS

**268** 



#### TOTAL SESSIONS





# CITIZEN'S POLICE ACACDEMY CPA



CPA began in April 1986 with the goal of providing businesses and community leaders an inside look at the law enforcement profession, as well as the many resources readily available.

CPA sessions are composed of presentations, interactive activities and tours, which span over six-weeks. Topics covered include, but are not limited to use-of-force, crime lab, investigations, and police training.

#### TOTAL ATTENDEES

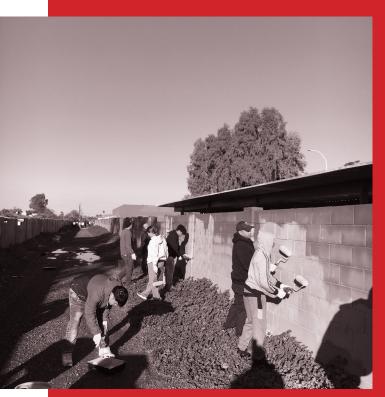
# TOTAL GRADUATES

#### TOTAL SESSIONS





# PROBATION TO REINVENTION P2R



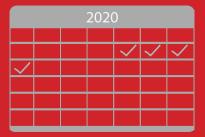
P2R is a mentoring program (started in January 2019) for juveniles on probation and/or diversion in partnership with the Maricopa County Juvenile Courts Division.

P2R youth interact with police officers, bi-weekly, over the course of five (5) weeks. Participants partake in structured activities and discussions with the goal of reducing the participants' potential path into the criminal justice system as adults.

#### TOTAL PARTICIPANTS

# TOTAL GRADUATES

#### TOTAL SESSIONS





# Police Academy Experience

#### TOTAL POLICE EXPERIENCE EVENTS

#### The POLICE ACADEMY EXPERIENCE

is a four (4) hour program designed to provide community members with a unique perspective glimpse into the daily responsibilities of a Phoenix Police Officer. Participants engage in simulated mock scenario-based training exercises and debrief on various topics, to include use-offorce.

#### The **FAMILY POLICE EXPERIENCE** was created to provide officers' families with practical and useful information regarding employee wellness.

#### TOTAL FAMILY POLICE EXPERIENCES:

#### DUE TO COVID-19- ALL POLICE EXPERIENCES HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED.

STATS FOR JANUARY TO JUNE OF 2020

#### ORGANIZATIONS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED

• Name of Org

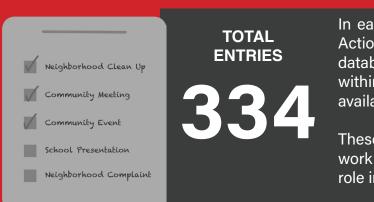
- Name of Org
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#### COMMUNITY ACTION OFFICER COORDINATOR – (CAO-C)

The CAO-C works with city departments, businesses and community members to develop crime prevention strategies. In addition, the CAO-C serves as a liaison between precinct CAOs, City Council and staff by maintaining a constant line of communication.

The CAO-C also provides support to additional programs and functions within the Community Engagement Bureau.





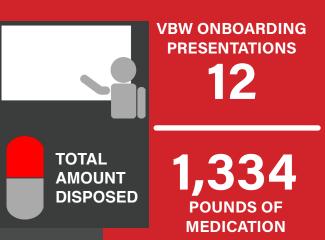
In early 2017, the CAO-C developed a Community Action Officer (CAO) and Weekly Precinct Report database to capture efforts performed by CAOs within each precinct. This information is now readily available to supervisors and command staff.

These entries are input daily and demonstrates the work being conducted by our staff emphasizing our role in community engagement.

#### **ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILTIES**

**Virtual Block Watch (VBW)** is one of the Department's contemporary crime prevention and investigative tools. It allows individuals/businesses to register their surveillance cameras with our department for crime prevention and suppression strategies.

**DEA Drug Take Back Event** is a national event that provides individuals an opportunity to properly dispose of their unwanted and expired prescription drugs with the Phoenix PD.



#### SPECIAL PROGRAMS COORDINATOR

The Special Programs Coordinator is responsible for generating Departmental participation in the Community Service Fund Drive (CSFD), coordinating Department blood drives and organizing the Phoenix Police Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics of Arizona (SPOAZ) and other related events.

The Special Programs Coordinator is also responsible for training SPOAZ representatives within the Department.

**2** BLOOD DRIVES HOSTED

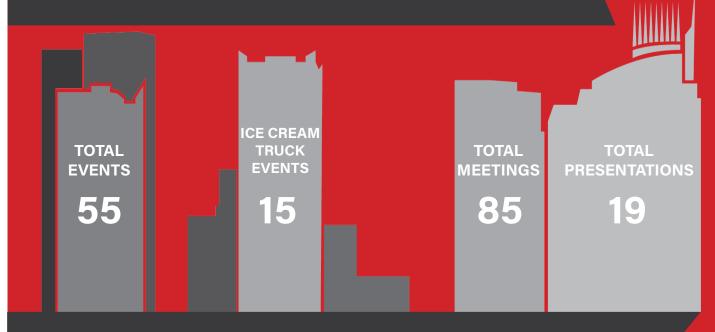
**132** SUCCESSFUL DONORS

400+ ESTIMATED LIVES SAVED



# **EVENTS/MEETINGS/PRESENTATIONS**

Members of the Community Engagement Team (CET) routinely collaborate and engage with members of the public in community related events. These events include speaking engagements and educational presentations. These events also provide an opportunity for CET's Ice Cream Truck to make appearances.



The Community Engagement Team routinely meet and exchange dialogue with our partners. It is imperative that we are in communication with outside organizations to ensure we are available to them in the event their groups are in need of current information on a particular matter of interest.

The Community Engagement Team conducts various presentations in the community. We conduct Active Shooter Training, Virtual Block Watch trainings, Public Safety presentations, school presentations on careers in law enforcement, Stop the Bleed trainings, and New Arrival Training for Refugees.

# Cop for a Day



Members of the Community Engagement Team (CET) facilitate educational opportunities for members of the community. Cop for a Day is a one-day experience for community members to have a more personal awareness and understanding of Phoenix Police operations.

Cop for a Day is issued via a certificate after an application has been submitted for approval. The day allows for up to two individuals, ages 18 or older to a personalized tour of our department.

#### TOTAL COP FOR A DAY CERTIFICATES:

4

# HISTORY

- The CIT was formed in June of 2015
- Fully operational in August of 2015
- Assists with mental health calls
- Comprised of two squads

# TRAINING

- Advance Crisis Intervention
  - Intelligence Officer
    - Negotiation Skills •
  - Additional Training

# CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM

The Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) is an innovative firstresponder model of police-based crisis intervention with community, health care and advocacy partnerships.

The Phoenix Police Department is also an active participant of the One Mind Campaign, which seeks to ensure successful interactions between police officers and persons affected by mental illness.

In addition to the two CIT squads assigned to the Community Engagement Bureau, the Phoenix Police Department has a total of 554 officers that are CIT trained. Of the **547** officers, **306** officers are currently assigned to the various patrol precincts and our Downtown Operations Unit.

# **TRAINED OFFICERS**

New Officers are not CIT trained as they do not yet meet the requirements of the national model. Police Chief Jeri Williams added additional mental health and crisis awareness training on top of their basic training for new academy graduates prior to them being assigned to the field training officer program.

# **New Officers**

# **CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM (CIT)**

The Phoenix Police Department serves approximately 5000 court ordered mental health pick up detention orders each year.

The CIT squads assist in lessening the demand for first responders in patrol. CIT squads provide individuals with the necessary resources to assist them during their time of crisis.



#### PRESENTATIONS

CIT conducts presentations with those who share a common goal of assisting those with mental illness. Several presentations were provided at two Phoenix Crime Free Multi-Housing meetings. In addition:

> 2 – 40-HOUR CRISIS INTERVENTION TRAINING classes were conducted to

#### 55 - OFFICERS

from

**2** – DEPARTMENTS

#### PARTNERS

**CIT** squads continue to build partnerships with community groups to raise education and awareness of mental health.

CIT develops and maintains a dialogue with numerous public/private partners to continue striving towards the common goal of assisting those in crisis to include but not limited to, Crisis Preparation and Recovery Inc, as well as those listed in the following chart.



# SQUADS

There are currently two (2) Community Response Squads who also oversee the Police Chief's Advisory Boards and the boards' quarterly meetings.

# **BOARD MEETINGS**

The Advisory Board meetings provide a forum to exchange information between the Phoenix Police Department and community members. This is accomplished through listening sessions of community concerns and having open discussions to create solutions to problems.

# Community Response Squad

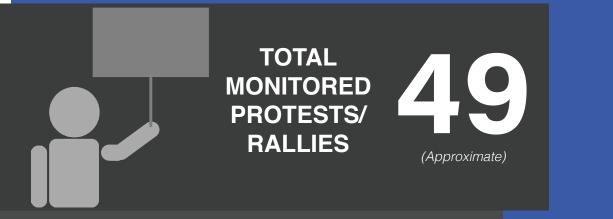
The Community Response Squad (CRS) is responsible for maintaining an ongoing, working relationship with all of our diverse communities. CRS also monitors protests, demonstrations, rallies and marches ensuring a safe environment and allowing groups to exercise their right to free speech and peaceful assembly. CRS also conducts Critical Incident Outreach within communities and neighborhoods to provide information and support to those impacted.

- ARAB
- ASIAN
- JEWISH
- REFUGEE
- FAITH BASED
- AFRICAN AMERICAN

# POLICE CHIEF'S ADVISORY BOARDS

- SIKH •
- LGBTQ •
- MUSLIM •
- HISPANIC •
- AMERICAN INDIAN
- CROSS DISABILITIES

# **COMMUNITY RESPONSE SQUAD (CRS)**



# MEETINGS 340

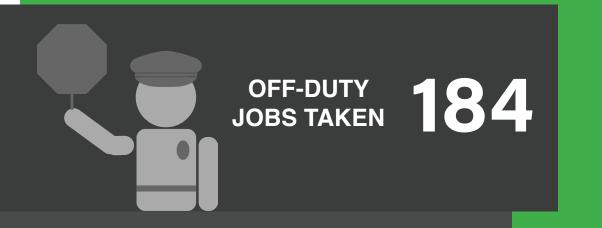
ADVISORY BOARD MEETINGS HOSTED AND ATTENDED



# OFF - DUTY WORK DETAIL

The Off-Duty Work Detail is responsible for monitoring all off-duty work, coordinating extra-duty work, receiving and recording off-duty work requests, assigning coordinators to off-duty work requests, and maintaining all original paperwork for off-duty jobs.

# **OFF-DUTY WORK DETAIL**







# Prog rams

- Drag Racing Against Gangs and Grafitti
- Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods
- Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol
- Block Watch
- Wake Up!

- Crime Free Multi-Housing
  - SafeBiz

# Community Programs Squad

The Community Programs Squad offers unique programs for the community to improve relations, provide public safety education and deter criminal activity.

# **DRAG RACING AGAINST GANGS & GRAFFITI** DRAGG



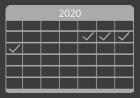
DRAGG is an innovative after school program that utilizes automotive education, creative car customization and community engagement to mentor high school students.

Phoenix police officers and individuals from the automotive industry participate in the program as instructors/mentors. Through DRAGG students receive a viable alternative to a life of gangs and graffiti with a possible career in the automotive industry.

#### TOTAL STUDENTS

WORK

TOTAL EVENTS **ATTENDED** 



(Approximate)

TOTAL HOURS OF

100

# Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods GAIN



GAIN (formerly known as National Night Out) is an annual event designed to unite neighbors and communities to help create safer neighborhoods. GAIN encourages resident to promote safety, neighborhood communication, and celebrate the success of rime prevention through involvement.

TOTAL BLOCK WATCH GROUPS SUPPORTING GAIN

172

# PHOENIX NEIGHBORHOOD PATROL



## PNP

The PNP program started as the Block Watchers on Patrol program in 1994. Its purpose is to encourage citizens to be proactive by patrolling their own neighborhoods and reporting any criminal activity.

PNP members are required to attend special training on various topics including observation skills, confrontation avoidance, patrol procedures, laws and liability, and the proper usage of 9-1-1 and Crime Stop.

# TOTAL MEMBERS TRAINED

**4,022** 

# NEW MEMBERS TRAINED

#### TOTAL CLASSES HOSTED

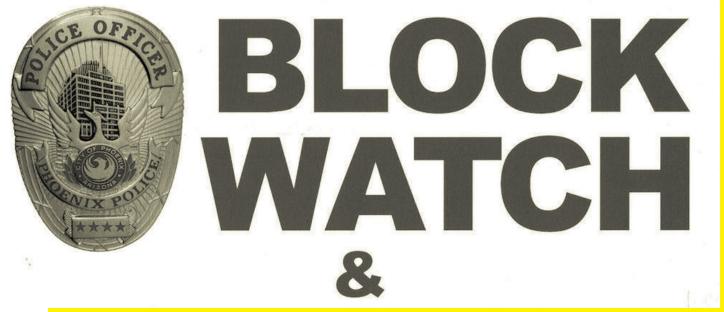




(3 classes were in Spanish)



In Partnership with the Phoenix Police Department



The BW program is a standalone program, although most of the training for new BW members takes place during PNP training sessions. BW's purpose is to encourage citizens to be vigilant of criminal activity.

BW members are encouraged to attend special training on various topics including observation skills, confrontation avoidance, patrol procedures, laws and liability and the proper usage of 9-1-1 and Crime Stop.

BW groups are supported by Community Action Officers (CAOs) and Block Watch Coordinators in each precinct. BW meetings are coordinated twice a month, which also includes meeting with the Phoenix Police Chief Advisory Boards. TOTAL REGISTERED BLOCK WATCH GROUPS

**552** 

# WAKE UP!



The Wake Up! program was created by Phoenix Police PD following a 1994 drive-by shooting of a 4-year old. The program deters 7th and 8th graders from gang involvement and violent behavior.

The Wake Up! program teaches social and personal responsibility, community pride, life management skills and conflict resolution.

PARTICIPATING CLUBS

**AROUND THE CITY** 

31

14

#### CLUBS HOLDING SUMMER PROGRAMS

CLUBS HOLDING WINTER PROGRAMS



CLUBS HOLDING SPRING PROGRAMS

# **CRIME FREE MULTI-HOUSING (CFMH)**

The CFMH program was developed in 1992 following a Bureau of Justice study, which resulted in the "Landlord Training Program". A crime specialist with Mesa PD developed a certificate program that produced the best community-based partnership for the rental community.

The City of Phoenix web-page provides the introduction to the CFMH program as a resource to rental property owners.



#### **CRIME PREVENTION THROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN**

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) is a concept that utilizes the assessment of physical structures pertaining to businesses or dwellings to deter criminal activity. The program incorporates a unique three-phase approach, which ensures crime prevention while maintaining a resident-friendly approach.

**PHASE 1** - Involves an 8-hour seminar. Participants are given an overview of the CFMH program using CPTED principles.

**PHASE 2** - Requires a CPTED evaluation and follow-up to certify the property.

**PHASE 3** - Requires an annual crime prevention meeting with residents.



# SAFE BUSINESS NETWORK (SAFEBIZ)

**APPROXIMATELY** 

**INDIVIDUALS** 

RECEIVED SAFETY PRESENTATIONS

In 2002, a strip-mall in South Phoenix generated multiple calls for service, daily. Police officers and the business owners began to work together to develop a solution for the root cause to the criminal activity in the strip-mall.

This model of working with business owners became known as the SafeBiz program.

#### **AUTHORITY TO ARREST**

TOTAL OF

3,091 AUTHORITY TO ARREST FORMS CURRENTLY ON FILE The Authority to Arrest grants police officers permission by property owners/managers to patrol their properties and arrest individuals who are trespassing.

This is a great solution for business owners who are dealing with trespassing issues.

#### PARTNERS

New and regenerated business partnerships include meetings with representatives from:

Recovery International, Empire Business Alliance, FedEx, Salvation Army Advisory Board, Arizona Organized Retail Crime Alliance (ORCA), Ring, Social Security Offices, Refugee Focus, Arizona Humane Society, United Parcel Services (UPS), Waste Management, Bolocop.org, Phoenix Hebrew Academy and the Christown Mall.

PAL

PAL consists of eight (8) officers and one (1) sergeant. The program was reintroduced in June of 2016 to address the needs of atrisk youth and build positive relationships between those youth and the police. PAL oversees our Cadet Program, as well.

# Guidelines

In order to accurately reflect the efforts in building positive relationships in the community, PAL officers work within the following guidelines:

- Collaborate with groups & organizations who have committed to working with the PAL program.
  - Engage with youth at locations throughout the city of Phoenix.
    - Participate in youth focused programs.

# Police Activities League

The Police Activities League (PAL) program is an organization where members of the police department interact with boys and girls in sports, as well as school-related activities. The PAL program teaches youth the importance of integrity, respect, discipline, self-esteem, leadership, teamwork and other valuable life skills that breed success.

#### YOUTH CENTERS INVOLVED **13**

#### APPROX. YOUTH ENGAGED **1,700**

- YMCA
- AZ RATTLERS
- PATHWAYS SCHOOL
- BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
- KROC SALVATION ARMY
- STUDENT CHOICE HIGH SCHOOL
- PHOENIX PARKS AND RECREATION

ABILITY 360

- AZ COYOTES •
- LAKE PLEASANT •
- AZ DIAMONDBACKS •
- PHOENIX SUNS/MERCURY ●
- GRAND CANYON UNIVERSITY •
- FRANKLIN POLICE & FIRE HIGH SCHOOL •

# **PARTNE**RSHIPS

# **POLICE CADET PROGRAM**



The Phoenix Police Cadet Program is a Public Safety Program for career-orientated young adults, ages 14 through 21. The program provides young adults with law enforcement training, leadership skills and knowledge with an emphasis on the importance of community relationships. The program instills sound morals and values, good physical fitness and provides many professional opportunities.

The service area served is the Phoenix Metro Area and incorporates 70+ young men and women.

### HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE SERVED 560

#### ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATED IN

**78** 

Includes community service events, competitions, training/ meetings and special events.

# HOURS OF TRAINING



# **END OF REPORT**