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2014 ANNUAL SUMMARY INTERNAL AFFAIRS

COMPLAINTS:

Between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014 the Middletown Police Department Internal Affairs Division investigated seventeen (17) complaints of employee misconduct.

Eight (8) of the cases originated from citizen complaints. Of those eight (8) citizen complaints, four (4) were for Conduct Unbecoming an Officer and three (3) were for Violations of a Department Policy or Rule/Regulation. One (1) of the complaints was for excessive force. Seven (7) of the complaints were not sustained and one (1) complaint related to Violation of a Department Policy or Rule/Regulation remains pending investigation. This report will be amended upon disposition of that investigation.

The MPD initiated nine (9) internal investigations. Of those nine (9) complaints two (2) were for Conduct Unbecoming an Officer, three (3) were for violations of a Department Policy/Regulation, and four (4) investigations were mandatory Internal Affairs reviews of police pursuits. Five (5) of the complaints were sustained. Three (3) of these sustained complaints were for violations of a rule or regulation and two (2) were for conduct unbecoming an officer.

The following chart depicts the time frame of when the complaints were received, by whom they were initiated, and whether they were substantiated or not.

Month Investigation Began	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Generated Within Department	Citizen's Complaint
January	0	0	0	1
February	1	0	1	0
March	0	0	0	0
April	0	0	0	0
May	1	1	2	0
June	1	3	3	1
July	0	2	1	1
August	1	1	1	1
September	0	1	0	1
October	1	1	1	1
November	0	0	0	0
December	0	2	0	2

The following is a breakdown of the types of complaints investigated:

Breakdown	# of incidents
Criminal Act	0
Excessive Force	1
Civil Rights	0
False Arrest	0
Discourtesy	1
Harassment	0
Conduct Unbecoming	6
Viol. Dept Policy	5
Police Pursuit Review	4
Police Veh. Accidents	0

DISCIPLINE

Description of Disciplinary Action	Action Taken
Verbal Reprimands, Counseling or Training	3
Written Reprimand	1
Administrative Leave	0
Suspension Without Pay	1
Demotion	0
Dismissal	0

These sustained investigations resulted in three (3) reprimands with retraining and one command referral to counseling as well as one (1) written reprimand, and one (1) suspension. One of the officers disciplined resigned from the department.

The Middletown Police Department is committed to monitoring the performance of sworn and civilian department employees. The residents of Middletown delegate considerable authority to the police and expect service that is professional and consistent with department policies, rules and regulations. The Middletown Police Department will initiate complaints as well as investigate citizen complaints to include those complaints received anonymously. The goal of your police department is to build professionalism and improve your trust in the Middletown Police Department.

Respectfully,

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