

CITY OF MADERA



POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2019

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LETTER FROM THE CHIEF

I want to welcome you to the Madera PD Family, it is my pleasure and honor to give you an inside look at your Police Department. As your Chief of Police one of my goals was to create an organization that is open, accessible to everyone in our community and has a servant's heart. We strive to be true partners with the community and understand the frequent needs of the public, which goes beyond the conventional expectations of law enforcement. I want to take this opportunity to give praise and accolades to the outstanding personnel that serve this community on a daily basis, your Police Department Personnel.



The Department is a diverse workforce of dedicated people who are ready to provide superior service delivery through the many divisions and functions of the organization. The Department is comprised of 70 sworn personnel and 34 nonsworn personnel, bringing our employee total to 104. The Madera Police Department values professionalism. We strive to provide quality customer service with integrity and endeavor to solve community problems and reduce crime through partnerships built upon a foundation of accountability, trust and compassion.

A goal of the Department's overall strategy for service delivery is to maintain an acceptable response time to calls for service from citizens. The Police Department works hard to maintain the lowest response times possible. For the third year in a row, I am proud to announce that Madera Police Department lowered our response time in all categories. The most impressive reduction was Priority 1 calls, which were reduced by over a minute.

The Communication Center is the hub of the Madera Police Department. In 2019 over 122,000 emergency and non-emergency calls from citizens residing within the City of Madera were received and processed, including Animal Control calls. 30,063 of those calls were 9-1-1 calls. Each call is evaluated to insure that the appropriate personnel are dispatched to handle the situation. The Police Department handled 60,432 events in 2019. Events include calls for service from the community (crimes, public safety concerns, etc.) and officer-initiated activities, such as vehicle stops and pedestrian checks. Calls for service from the community can result in a report being taken, an area check being made, an arrest made of a criminal, or a simple discussion with a citizen.

The Records office processed 30,212 reports out of 14,745 case files, and sent out 11,851 reports to various entities, such as the District Attorney's Office and insurance agencies.

The Motor unit issued 5,141 moving (vehicle code) citations, 1,336 parking citations, including 93 disabled person parking violations.

The Detective Division investigated 1,177 cases (up from 837 in 2018) and closed 99.7% of those during the year.

The Code Enforcement Division conducted 518 rental housing inspections (33% increase), handled 2,014 public nuisance complaints, removed 81 abandoned vehicles, issued 537 notice-of-violations and citations. All of these activities are undertaken to improve the quality of community life in Madera.

In 2019 your Officers reduced crime in the City of Madera by 18%. We reduced violent crime by 15% and property crime by 4%. All of this hard work was achieved while still providing all of our outstanding Community outreach programs. This is outstanding work being done by great people. They have earned the right to be called "MADERA'S FINEST"!

Chief of Police Dino Lawson



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Madera Police Department Mission Statement

The Mission of the Madera Police Department is to reduce crime, fear and disorder by creating a foundation of superior service delivery, citizen/police partnerships and proactive problem solving strategies through organizational planning and visionary processes. The Madera Police Department is an organization committed to the well being of the City of Madera and its citizens.

Madera Police Department Values Statement

The Madera Police Department values **professionalism**. We strive to provide quality customer service with **integrity** and endeavor to solve community problems and reduce crime through partnerships built upon a foundation of **accountability**, **trust** and **compassion**.



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ADMINISTRATION

The Madera Police Department is led by Chief of Police Dino Lawson who was appointed in 2017. Chief Lawson leads and directs 70 sworn and 35 non-sworn employees who are responsible for maintaining a safe, secure environment. Chief Lawson's Command staff consists of Commander Gino Chiaramonte and Lieutenants Brian Esteves—Operations, Dan Foss—Administrative Services, and Josiah Arnold—Investigative Services, and Office Supervisor Tanya Riviere. The role of our administrative staff is to provide leadership and resources to our dedicated staff so we can provide the highest quality of services to the City's residents and businesses to enhance community safety.

Collectively, the Administration Team represents over 127 years of law enforcement experience.



Lt. Dan Foss, Lt. Brian Esteves, Lt. Josiah Arnold
Office Supervisor Tanya Riviere, Chief Dino Lawson, Cmdr. Gino Chiaramonte



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PATROL TEAMS

Patrol is the largest division of the Madera Police Department and is accountable for a wide and diverse range of responsibilities within the agency. Patrol is composed of four teams,



each working 12-hour shifts. Each team is supervised by a Corporal and a Sergeant, with at least five patrol officers. Your patrol division responds to all immediate problems in the city. These include those that typically come to mind for a traditional law enforcement officer, such as vehicle collisions, theft, robbery, violent crime, fire, people in distress and missing persons. Patrol also responds to many non-emergency issues, such as assisting elderly crossing a busy street, or checking “things that go bump in the night”. There are no jobs too big or small, and your patrol officers are equipped and trained to handle them all.



Madera’s patrol officers pride themselves on being a part of the community. To a large degree, your safety and security has been placed in the hands of the patrol division. This is a massive responsibility that your



patrol officers fully understand, appreciate, and will be accountable for. Patrol is proud of this trust that has been placed on them and will perform to the best of their ability each and every day. Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to serve.



Far Left: Officers Dias and Clark spreading Christmas Cheer

Left: Corporal Boehm enjoying a “Learning with the Law” reading session



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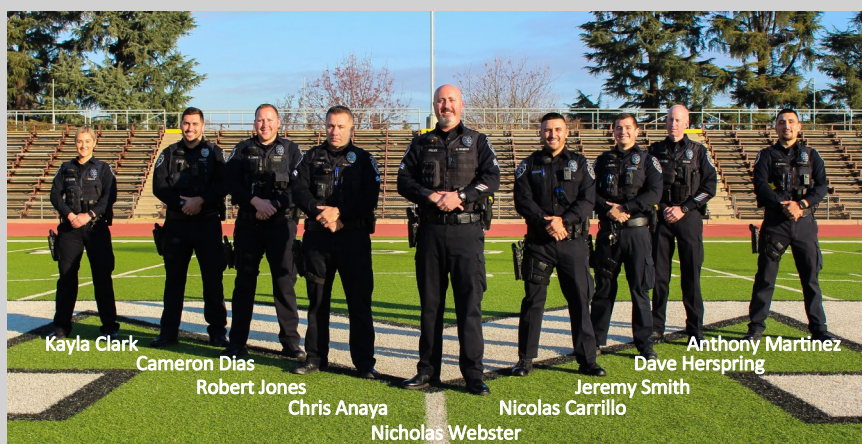
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Jesse Quintana
Kenneth Hall
Mark Adams
Marcy Noriega
Juan Villegas
Jared Maciel
Sean Plymale
& Gunz



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Brandon Bianchi, Mike Powell, Dina Santos,
Robert Mahoney, Christian Gomez,
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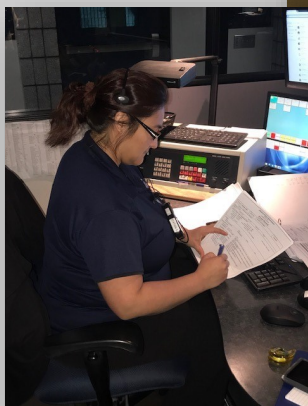
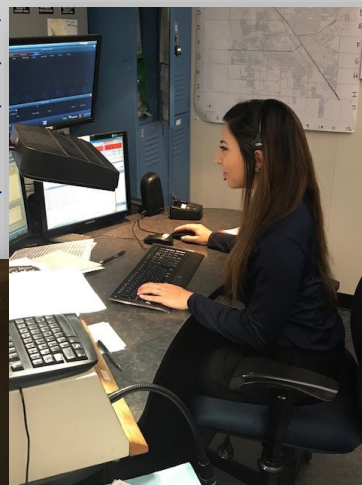


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COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

The Communication Center is the hub of the Madera Police Department. In 2019 122,403 emergency and non-emergency calls from citizens residing within the City of Madera were received and processed, including Animal Control calls. 30,063 of those calls were 9-1-1 calls. Each call is evaluated to insure that the appropriate personnel are dispatched to handle the situation. The Communications Center has three dedicated 9-1-1 trunk lines along with six non-emergency lines. At the touch of a single button we can transfer calls to surrounding jurisdictions. Calls are dispatched to officers via police radio. Dispatchers keep track of each officer's status as well as Code and Parking Enforcement officers' activity via the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system.

During 2019 the department undertook significant communications technology improvements, including, an upgraded radio and 9-1-1 call system which will ultimately allow our dispatchers to receive emergency calls via text message, and equipment that will provide the future capability of real-time surveillance of areas in the city that experience high crime rates. Money for these improvements were provided via the State's Emergency Telephone Users Surcharge, and Measure K Funds. Completion of the upgrades are expected by mid-2020.





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CALLS FOR SERVICE & RESPONSE TIMES

The Police Department handled 60,432 events in 2019. Events include calls for service from the community (crimes, public safety concerns, etc.) and officer-initiated activities, such as vehicle stops and pedestrian checks. Calls for service from the community can result in a report being taken, an area check being made, an arrest made of a criminal, or a simple discussion with a citizen. The chart on page 15 identifies the top ten call-for-service types the department handled.

A goal of the Department's overall strategy for service delivery is to maintain an acceptable response time to calls for service from citizens. The Police Department works hard to maintain the lowest response times possible. Calls are defined by three categories:

Emergency: Calls such as an armed robbery or burglary in progress, person not breathing, or traffic collisions involving injuries requiring a "Code-3" response with emergency lights and siren.

Priority 1: High priority, such as domestic violence, missing child and fight in progress.

Priority 2: Urgent calls, such as a disturbance or a non-injury traffic collision.

Priority 3: Non-urgent calls involving incidents that have occurred with no suspects, and no urgent need for an officer. An example is a vandalism that occurred the day before.

	2019	2018	2017	2016
Emergency	5 min 21 sec	5 min 22 sec	5 min 35 sec	6 min 56 sec
Priority 1	8 min 2 sec	9 min 16 sec	9 min 18 sec	8 min 48 sec
Priority 2	19 min 50 sec	22 min 21 sec	24 min	21 min 12 sec
Priority 3	44 min 58 sec	44 min 25 sec	54 min 24 sec	50 min 30 sec

- Response times listed are measured from the time the call is received by our dispatcher, to the time the officer arrives at the scene.





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TOP 10 CALLS FOR SERVICE

The table below compares the top ten calls for service types from for the last three years. These are calls from the community asking for assistance from the department. In all, officers responded to 32,222 community-initiated calls for service, an increase of approximately 3.4% from the prior year. In addition to the activities noted below, officers conducted 23,931 pro-active, or “officer-initiated” activities, such as vehicle stops and pedestrian checks.

Although calls for service increased, in general crime incidents were down from 2018; violent crimes saw a decrease of 15%, and property crimes were down 3%, as noted on page 18.

2017		2018		2019	
Request Officer	3,170	Request Officer	3,246	Request Officer	3,646
Check Area	2,138	Check Area	2,112	Check Welfare	2,187
Burglar Alarm	1,782	Check Welfare	1,652	Check Area	1,944
Stray Animal	1,477	Burglar Alarm	1,621	Stray Animal	1,605
Check Subject	1,448	Check Subject	1,592	Noise Disturbance	1,601
Check Welfare	1,334	Noise Disturbance	1,548	Check Subject	1,503
Noise Disturbance	1,327	Stray Animal	1,432	Burglar Alarm	1,448
Trouble with Subject	1,067	Trouble with Subject	865	Trouble with Subject	853
Trespass	893	Petty Theft	832	Trespass	807
Petty Theft	810	Check Vehicle	810	Petty Theft	801

It is also of interest to note the steady decrease in the number of burglar alarms over the past three years. At the same time noise disturbance calls—primarily loud parties—are steadily increasing.



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CRIME STATISTICS

The Madera Police Department submits crime statistics through the California Department of Justice and then to the FBI under the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. The nationwide data is available to the public and can be viewed at: <http://www.ucrdatatool.gov/>

	HOMICIDE	RAPE	ROBBERY	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	VIOLENT CRIME	BURGLARY	LARCENY	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	PROPERTY CRIMES
2014	6	17	72	210	305	472	1007	207	1686
2015	3	16	94	334	447	462	1135	325	1922
2016	3	24	99	393	519	299	1266	301	1866
2017	4	26	106	233	369	296	981	349	1626
2018	6	37	92	260	395	241	898	207	1346
2019	3	32	77	223	335	235	824	242	1288
Percentage decrease from 2018					-15%	Percentage decrease from 2018			-3%

We have provided six years of information for your review, 2014 through 2019, in the table above. Looking at crime over time can indicate trends and provide a basis for resource allocation in terms of staffing and deployment. 2019 saw a 15% drop in violent crimes, as well as a 3% decrease in property crimes.

Measure K continues to provide significant dividends to the City with additional staff and resources. As newly hired and trained officers began to shoulder more of the workload the department was able to fully staff the investigative units (Detectives and SIU). As a result these units were able to take on a larger caseload and increase the case closure rate (see pg. 16). The net effect of the Department's efforts this year saw an overall decrease in actual crime in the city.

It is much harder to quantify the effect that various community programs, such as the Neighborhood and Business Watches, G.R.E.A.T. Program, and the many others have on the levels of crime and livability in Madera. However, we are convinced that your participation and partnership with the department in these programs are absolutely essential to creating a great community!

New Year's Eve;
additional staff
preparing to insure
the City enjoys a safe
Holiday Eve!



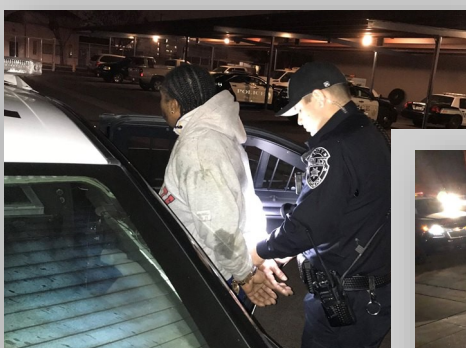


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ANNUAL ARREST STATISTICS—MADERA COUNTY

JAIL BOOKINGS

ANNUAL ARREST STATISTICS			
Agency	2017	2018	2019
Chowchilla PD	355	307	277
Madera PD	2081	2448	2228
Madera Sheriff	926	926	1032
Probation	283	Not Reported	287
Total	3645	3681	3824





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TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT UNIT

Traffic safety in the City is a high priority for the Police Department and arguably one of the most requested police services. During 2019 four officers were assigned to traffic enforcement: Officer Matt Saucedo, Officer Joseph Velasquez, Officer Shawn Fadley and Officer Joel Kellom.

The goal of our traffic division is to make the roadways within the City as safe as possible for all motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists. We strive to reduce the number of impaired drivers by focusing our enforcement efforts on driving under the influence violations and education. Our traffic division investigates traffic collisions and focuses our enforcement efforts on the driving violations that lead to traffic collisions. By actively searching for impaired drivers, thoroughly investigating traffic collisions, and enforcing driving laws we believe we can change the behavior of drivers in our city and reduce the number of people injured in traffic related incidents.

The Office of Traffic Safety web page is available at <https://www.ots.ca.gov/media-and-research/crash-rankings-results>. As indicated on page 14, Madera is ranked with 106 other cities of similar size having a population of 50,001-100,000.

IMPORTANT NOTE #1: The figures in the ranking column are shown as two numbers divided by a slash. The first number is the City of Madera's ranking in that category. The second number is the total number of cities/counties within that "Group". For instance, if you see "38/104", that means that city ranks 38th out of 104 cities of similar size.

IMPORTANT NOTE #2: Number 1 in the rankings is the highest, or "worst." A ranking of 1/106 would be classified as the highest or worst, 53/106 is average, and 106/106 is the lowest or best.



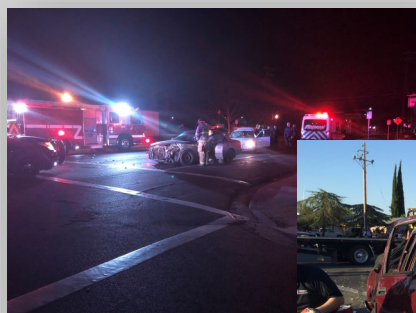


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TRAFFIC STATISTICS

Victims Killed & Injured				
Type of Collision	2017	2017 OTS Ranking	2018	2019
Total Fatal	1	27/106	2	5
Total Injury	214		206	153
Alcohol Involved	49	3/106	44	31
HBD Driver < 21	25	6/106	7	4
HBD Driver 21-34	23	9/106	19	13
Motorcycles	7	49/106	6	1
Pedestrians	21	31/106	20	15
Pedestrians <15	3	25/106	5	7
Pedestrians 65+	3	53/106	2	2
Bicyclists	12	30/106	8	11
Bicyclists <15	2	40/106	1	1
Speed Related	29	70/106	31	17
Nighttime (9pm-2:59am)	36	22/106	28	11
Hit and Run	17	10/106	14	19

Total DUI Arrests	2017	OTS Ranking	2018	2019
	260	103/106	305	338





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PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

The Department is committed to insuring its members perform their duties courteously, fairly, and within guidelines established by state law and city policies. Toward that end the department has established guidelines for reporting, investigation, and disposition of complaints regarding the conduct of employees. We are required by law to investigate every complaint. Complaint forms are accessible to the public at the Madera Police Department and on the City of Madera web page. Complaints are categorized as: Service Complaint, Misconduct Allegation, or Agency Investigation. The determination or type of complaint depends on the seriousness of the complaint or who initiates the complaint.

- Agency Investigation — initiated by the agency involving agency observed behavior.
- Service Complaints — initiated by the public on rude behavior or misunderstandings with the public.
- Misconduct Allegation — initiated by agency or public, involves violation of policy and City Rules and Regulations.

The table below presents the numbers of complaints received in 2017, 2018, and 2019. “Sustained” means that the department determined that the behavior or performance violated its policy expectations, and some form of corrective discipline was taken.

	2017	2018	2019
Service Complaint	14	19	13
Agency Investigation	0	1	0
Misconduct Allegation	8	9	12
Sustained	5	6	7



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INVESTIGATIONS



The Madera Police Department Investigations Unit is led by Sgt. Mark Trukki who supervises Detectives Blake Short, John Rosel, Hector Garibay, Brian Majors, Heath Middleton, Jaron McAlister, as well as Crime Analysis Technician Lacy Burleson.

The investigations unit is responsible for investigating all felony cases reported in the City of Madera. Some of the types of cases handled this last year were: homicide, assault, sexual assault, robbery, missing persons, burglary and fraud. In addition, the detective unit is responsible for the registration and supervision of 171 active sex registrants in the City of Madera. The Investigations Unit handled 1,177 cases in 2019 and were able to close approximately 99.7% of the case load generated. This is made possible by working closely with the community, asking them to take an active role in helping reduce crime in their own areas, and by holding ourselves accountable for the level of crime.

Det. John Rosel
Det. Blake Short
Det. Jaron McAlister
Sgt. Mark Trukki
Det. Brian Majors
Det. Hector Garibay
Det. Heath Middleton





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SUPPORT SERVICES



RECORDS DIVISION

Stephanie Pantoja
Celia Garnica
Melba Rangel
Tanya Riviere
Tara Maggiore



PROPERTY & EVIDENCE

Karyn Burns
Paige Gacayan
Tanya Riviere



ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

Tom Burns

Recruiting & Training

Lacy Burleson

Crime Analysis

Randy Williams

Administrative Staff Support



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SUPPORT PERSONNEL

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

Robert Hill
Warren Webb

Officers Hill and Webb are assigned to provide service primarily to the MUSD High Schools and Middle Schools. They responded to 1,768 calls on and around school campuses during the school period.



ANIMAL CONTROL

Ruben Hernandez

Ruben responded to 1,494 calls related to animal control issues during 2019. These include stray and vicious animal calls, as well as animal noise complaints. 214 dog licenses were issued during the year.

HOUSING AUTHORITY

Jason Valdez

Officer Valdez provides law enforcement services to approximately 994 housing units throughout the City of Madera.





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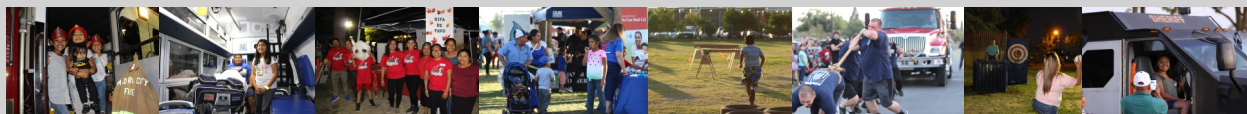
OUTREACH TEAM

AND SOME OF THE COMMUNITY PROJECTS WE SUPPORT



National Night Out FRC
 Spooktacular—First 5
 MUSD Harvest Festivals
 Madera County Annual Fair
 Red Ribbon Week—MUSD
 Neighborhood Watch Pro-
 gram MMA Night Lite Boo
 Fest—Madera Auto Center
 Pomegranate Festival
 Neighborhood Watch Pro-
 gram—97 Watches Special
 Olympics Torch Run Turkey

Trot for Inclusion H.O.P.E. Ministries Thanksgiving Dinner Small Fry Po-
 lice Department Tours Ronald MacDonald House Charities Big Broth-
 er / Bid Sister Soccer Tournament ShredFest Event Senior Scams Edu-
 cation Business Watch Program Active Shooter Presentations Blast
 from the Past—MLK Love Madera Volanté Health Fair—Virginia Lee
 Rose School Wellness Health Fair Graffiti Presentations—MUSD
 “Sergeant Santa” Coffee with a Cop MPAKT Parent Project Learning
 with the Law G.R.E.A.T. Mad Kids Summer Camp Socializing with the
 Seniors Cyber Crime Awareness May Day! May Day! - Valley Children’s
 Hospital Spring Festival—MUSD





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VARIOUS ACTIVITIES

Following are a few examples of the activities the department conducts:

- Officers issued 5,141 moving (vehicle code) citations. The top four moving violations were: unsafe speed (1,224), driving while using a phone (463), stop sign violations (349), and impeding traffic (300).
- Officers issued 1,336 parking citations, including 93 disabled person parking violations.
- The Records office processed 30,212 reports out of 14,745 case files, and sent out 11,851 reports to various entities, such as the District Attorney's Office and insurance agencies.
- Dispatchers answered 122,503 calls and processed 64,186 events, out of which 57,320 were handled either as "calls for service" or officer-initiated events. Many of the other events were transfers to allied agencies, such as CHP, Madera Sheriff, CDF (Cal-Fire), or Pistoiresi Ambulance. Our dispatchers work very hard!
- The Detective Division investigated 1,177 cases (up from 837 in 2018) and closed 99.7% of those during the year. Some of the cases are still ongoing.
- Code Enforcement conducted 518 rental housing inspections (33% increase), handled 2,014 public nuisance complaints, removed 81 abandoned vehicles, issued 537 notice-of-violations and citations. All of these activities are undertaken to improve the quality of community life in Madera.
- Numerous outreach events, such as: Coffee-with-a-Cop, Leaning with the Law, Harvest Festivals, health fairs, and "Trunk-or-Treats".



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CANINES

The Madera PD K-9 unit is currently filled by two officers; Officer Vasquez and his partner UNO and Officer Plymale and his partner Gunz. UNO is trained in narcotic detection and is part of the multi-agency task force, Special Investigations Unit (SIU). Gunz is currently assigned to the weekday shift and is trained in narcotic detection and suspect apprehension. The canines live with their handlers and their families. When not doing police work the canines participate in community outreach events such as the Madera District Fair, school demonstrations, and carnivals. They are highly trained animals that are required to formally train with a professional dog trainer twice a month, 8 hours each session. Their skills are evaluated yearly by an impartial outside observer.



Officer Sean Plymale with K9 Gunz and
Officer Ryan Vasquez with K9 Uno



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SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT (SIU)

The Special Investigations Unit (SIU) is a multi-agency task force that focuses on reducing crime, fear, and disorder through proactive policing strategies. Its focus is on gangs, high risk offenders, drug trafficking, stolen vehicles, and AB109 compliance checks. SIU is a resource to patrol and takes responsibility for ongoing issues identified as too extensive for patrol. SIU tracks violent crime statistics and works directed-enforcement operations to suppress violence. In 2019 SIU had a total of 397 reports, 193 arrests, 21 drug sale cases, and 20 weapons arrests. SIU was called upon by the District Attorney's Office on 46 occasions to prove gang membership and testify as experts in court proceedings, securing enhanced sentences for violent crimes committed by gang members.



Adrian Santoyo, Richard Gonzales, Clay Hoover, Cristien Aganza, Matt McCombs,
Ryan Vasquez & Uno, Eric Grijalva, Alma Garcia



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CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement is a critical division in the Police Department that focuses on community beautification and development. Department staff responds to residential property violations of the Madera Municipal Code which deal with problem areas such as public nuisance complaints, abandoned vehicles, vacant buildings, illegal dumping, and substandard housing. Code Enforcement also assists in community development by enforcing permit and license requirements for other city departments, including: Business License, Building, Engineering, Planning, and Public Works. Code Enforcement is especially beneficial to the Police Department as both police and code enforcement typically deal with the same types of problems presented by troubled properties. The support Code Enforcement provides to responding Police Officers has proven to be an asset especially for property investigation and case follow up. Code Enforcement works to bring violations to the attention of the responsible parties and provides the opportunity to correct the violations through education and follow up to ensure compliance is met.



Brent Cederquist
Viola Rodriguez
Claudia Mendoza
Ruthie Padilla
Lou Donaldson
Fabela Rodriguez
Maribel Hernandez
Andrew Martinez



BEFORE ...

...AND AFTER





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POST REQUIRED TRAINING

Our officers participate in a minimum of eight hours of in-service training every quarter. This training, commonly referred to as “range training”, consists of riot control, arrest and control tactics, firearms, less lethal devices, de-escalation, emergency driving, tactical communications, domestic violence response and CPR classes. Those officers who participate in specialized units and officers tasked with special outreach programs attend additional “professional development training”. Some examples of these assignments are SWAT, Detectives, SIU, Parent Project and Crisis Negotiations. The Madera Police Department prides itself on using cutting edge training practices. We combine skills-based training and scenario based training in all that we do. The bulk of our training is provided under guidelines developed by the California State Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training, or POST. During 2019 our officers and support staff attended approximately 3,007 hours of professional development training, and about 2,240 hours of range training.





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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Learning with the Law continues to provide Madera PD members with opportunities to read and interact with school-age kids. Currently the program is active at 13 MUSD campuses, where MPD Officers meet and read to students biweekly. Not only is MPD interested in building relationships with our adult community members, it's also important to build relationships with children of our community, as they will be our future residents and leaders. Our officers know that education is a key aspect in reducing crime and building community success, and they're excited to help out any way they can. In fact, as we move in to 2019, one of our officers has been invited to act as a Spelling Bee Judge at his Learning with the Law School.



2018 was our third year hosting Coffee-with-a-Cop events. Madera PD is a regional leader in these events. We've even been invited to help launch other law enforcement Coffee With a Cop programs. Our events are held monthly and upon request by private groups.



At the beginning of 2018 the department spearheaded an effort to provide assistance to parents raising children in difficult circumstances. The Parent Project has been a successful program for 30 years, providing effective parenting skills all over the United States in 10-week class sessions. The department partnered with our chaplains, Madera County Probation, and MUSD in providing these important opportunities for parents, and provides these classes in English and Spanish sessions.



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CITIZENS ACADEMY

This year we saw the graduation of Classes 9 & 10 of the Madera Police Department Police Citizen's Academy. The 13 week academy was designed to provide a better understanding of the Department's operations as well as the Madera County criminal justice system. The Department views the citizen's academy as the capstone program in our community outreach efforts. Two academy sessions are planned each year, one in the spring (March) and the other in the fall (August), and one Spanish academy each year in the Summer (June). The courses are taught by members of our department according to their expertise.



Spring 2019 Graduates
Class #11

Fall 2019 Graduates
Class #12





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EXPLORER PROGRAM

The purpose of the Madera Police Department Explorer program is to provide the young adults of Madera with an insight into a career in law enforcement. This is accomplished by providing a comprehensive program of appropriate training, service to the community and practical experiences.



Through their participation in the program, the Explorers develop leadership skills that are not only used while participating in the program but as well as in their family and social life.



With the encouragement and support of Chief Lawson and many other dedicated members of the Madera Police Department, our Explorers are provided the knowledge and skills necessary to become future leaders of our community.



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MadKids KIDS AND COPS UNITED

Madera Police held its 4th Annual MadKids Sports Camp in July at the John Wells Youth Center. The camp sold out with 100 kids in 4th-6th grades. The kids enjoyed daily activities with officers, Parks staff, and volunteers to include flag football, soccer, basketball, SWAT obstacle course and more. The continued goal of the sports camp was to build lasting relationships with the youth of our community and have the kids interact at a personal level with our Officers and Staff.



This positive environment gives us a chance to mentor and guide future leaders of our community in a fun way. The community played a large role in the success of the camp as multiple personal and business donations helped fund the program. Many of the volunteers came

from our local sports teams at Madera Unified School District. MadKids Camp will be back this summer, be sure to check our Facebook Page for times and details!

MPAKT (Madera Police and Kids Together)

MPAKT



In addition to MadKids, officers meet with kids on the first Saturday at the John Wells Youth Center from Noon to 2 pm for playing games, answering questions and generally just having a good time. We have been doing MPAKT for about three years now, and have been able to interact with Madera kids in a positive, non-threatening environment that helps foster trust and mutual respect.





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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

The City of Madera has an unprecedented 97 Neighborhood Watch groups as well as five Business Watch groups. These groups have joined with the police department to make our community a safer place to live and work.



In 2019 the Police Department, including representatives from Code Enforcement, Traffic Enforcement, Animal Control and Investigations, participated in 15 Neighborhood Watch meetings. Neighborhood Watch, at the end of 2019, has grown to 97 Neighborhood Watch groups. The program has continued to see growth since it was first established and we hope to continue to see our citizens working together to create safer neighborhoods.

NEIGHBORS DOING WHAT NEIGHBORS DO ...





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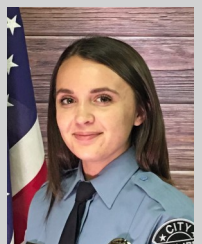
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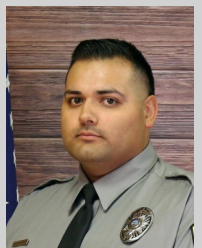
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Aug 21, 2003 to December 13, 2019
16 years of service with Madera PD



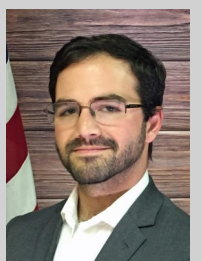
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Brianna Cebollero
Dispatcher
Hired December 23

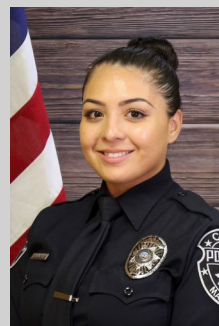


Ruben Hernandez
Animal Control Officer
Hired May 11



Ari Adams
Information Technology
Hired August 6

Officer Priscilla Ramirez
Hired April 6



Officer Dina Santos
Hired May 25



Officer Nicolas Carrillo
Hired August 6



Officer Reynard Camp
Hired August 6





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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out is an annual event held the first Tuesday of August each year and is dedicated to the development of crime awareness and neighborhood safety across the City of Madera. The event promotes and bolsters the bond between law enforcement and residents, and encourages residents' participation with their elected city officials and civil servants. National Night Out involves almost 40 million people in more than 16,000 communities across America.





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VOLUNTEERS & CHAPLAINS

Donna Upton, Jutta Webb,
Victor Ruiz, Anita Eden,
Sgt. Felix Gonzalez,
Stephanie Pantoja,
Brenda Howe & Jeff Upton
(Not pictured: Carey Mendiboure).



Chaplain Mike Farmer,
Chaplain Shaji Athipozhi,
Chaplain Tim Echevarria &
Chaplain Mike Unger.
Not pictured: Chaplain Dennis Sylvester



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YOUR MADERA POLICE DEPARTMENT



Taken August 23, 2018

★ Collectively, we represent over 815 years of experience providing law enforcement services to the City of Madera.





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FOR MADERA'S MOST WANTED!!**

