



POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Santa Cruz Police Department (SCPD) provides protection and law enforcement services to the community. The Police Department's primary objective is to reduce crime as well as the perception of crime and fear through a commitment to community-oriented policing and problem-solving. The department's mission states, "committed to public safety through exemplary service."



Police Efforts Include:

- ✓ Prevention of Crime
- ✓ Detection and Apprehension of Offenders
- ✓ Traffic Enforcement
- ✓ Community Program Services
- ✓ Accident Prevention and Investigation
- ✓ Regulation and Control of Hazardous Conditions
- ✓ Recovery and Return of Lost and Stolen Property

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Directory:

- ☎ 831-420-5810 - Administration Division
- ☎ 831-420-5820 - Investigations Section
- ☎ 831-420-5850 - Operations Division
- ☎ 831-420-5900 - Property Section
- ☎ 831-420-5870 - Records Section
- ☎ 831-420-5960 - Sergeant's Office

Core Services

- Safeguard the community from crime through prevention, deterrence, and problem solving
- Preserve life, property, and the public peace through the appropriate enforcement of laws and ordinances
- Investigate violent crime, theft, and traffic collisions and assist in the prosecution of offenders in collaboration with the District Attorney
- Provide traffic control at major events and proactively patrol traffic to enforce traffic laws
- Work closely with Santa Cruz City Schools district and provide a School Resource Officer to serve the local middle and high schools
- Manage the crossing guard program, which staffs critical intersections within the City to ensure the safety of children going to and from school
- Conduct gang prevention, intervention, and investigation programs
- Conduct proactive and reactive narcotic investigations
- Provide public counter service, file criminal complaints, and manage evidence
- Process, maintain, and distribute police reports and fire reports
- Prepare statistical data required by law and respond to report requests and inquiries from citizens and other authorized entities
- Maintain a Community Services Officer (CSO) program to expand community services by absorbing the lower-risk tasks previously assigned to police officers
- Deploy volunteers who assist patrol and CSOs with duties such as parking enforcement, visitation of shut-ins, and foot patrols in downtown and the beaches
- Work with community members to resolve quality-of-life problems



Accomplishments and Goals

FY 2024 Accomplishments	Fiscal Sustainability & Transparency	Strong Business & Vibrant Downtown	Housing	Homelessness Response	Public Safety & Community Well-Being	Natural & Built Infrastructure	Thriving Organization
Purchased and distributed new digital radios to patrol staff						X	X
Reestablished a Downtown Unit ❤️		X			X		
Hired a recruitment manager and established a recruitment team							X
Added evening DUI traffic patrols ❤️					X		
Awarded a \$256,568 Tobacco Enforcement grant to address illegal tobacco sales	X				X		
Received City Council approval to acquire and deploy Automated License Plate Readers and Unmanned Aerial Systems		X			X		X
Updated and expanded wellness facilities and services for officers							X
Expanded personnel on the Homelessness Response Team ❤️				X			



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Expand the Downtown Unit to evening patrols ❤️		X			X		
Development of an Integrated Crisis Response Team ❤️				X	X		
Conduct a comprehensive staffing study					X		X
Host a Spanish and English-speaking Citizens Academy 🏛️					X		
Host a Teen Public Safety Academy					X		X
Update radio infrastructure throughout the city						X	
Expand the Homelessness Response Team to open spaces and City parks ❤️				X	X		
Increase compliance inspections of alcohol, cannabis, and tobacco-related establishments ❤️					X		



Workload Indicators and Performance Measures

Workload Indicators	Strategic Plan Focus Area	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Estimate	FY 2025 Projected
Number of calls for service ❤️	Public Safety & Community Well-Being	87,761	87,251	74,556	75,705	76,000
Number of arrests ❤️	Public Safety & Community Well-Being	3,077	3,152	2,787	2,699	2,800
Number of citations ❤️	Public Safety & Community Well-Being	4,139	4,273	3,838	4,475	4,500
Number of reports written ❤️	Public Safety & Community Well-Being	22,368	22,762	21,965	19,823	20,000



Performance Measures	Strategic Plan Focus Area	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Estimate	FY 2025 Goal
Patrol officer retention rate ❤️	Public Safety & Community Well-Being	72%	76%	81%	87%	90%
Percent of patrol workforce participating in wellness programs	Thriving Organization	72%	N/A	72%	75%	80%
Percent increase of officer-initiated calls for services ❤️	Public Safety & Community Well-Being	-27%	-5%	10%	-12%	10%

Budget Summary - Police

		Fiscal Year*	Fiscal Year 2024			Fiscal Year
		2023 Actuals	Adopted Budget	Amended* Budget	Year-End Estimate	2025 Adopted
EXPENDITURES BY CHARACTER:						
Personnel Services		22,050,860	23,985,872	23,987,433	23,680,495	24,863,051
Services, Supplies, and Other Charges		5,536,057	9,533,819	10,038,863	9,650,104	10,377,393
Capital Outlay		150,713	-	170,942	-	-
Debt Service		13,428	13,428	13,428	13,428	11,190
Total Expenditures		<u>27,751,058</u>	<u>33,533,119</u>	<u>34,210,666</u>	<u>33,344,027</u>	<u>35,251,634</u>
EXPENDITURES BY ACTIVITY:						
Police Administration	2101	2,487,885	5,728,124	5,771,068	6,081,959	6,393,872
Police Investigations	2102	3,635,256	3,826,822	3,826,822	4,566,243	4,668,373
Police Patrol	2103	15,269,336	16,890,759	16,539,586	16,773,729	16,517,702
Police Community Services	2104	836,752	1,362,307	1,452,239	236,859	966,221
Police Traffic	2106	1,452,523	1,314,527	1,314,527	1,653,791	1,437,446
Police Records	2107	3,721,078	3,866,435	4,049,849	3,774,985	4,053,331
Homelessness Response	6105	248,227	341,029	1,053,460	253,345	1,009,951
Subtotal General Fund		27,651,058	33,330,003	34,007,550	33,340,911	35,046,896
Police Patrol	2103	100,000	203,116	203,116	3,116	204,738
Subtotal Other Funds		100,000	203,116	203,116	3,116	204,738
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RESOURCES BY FUND:						
General Fund	101	783,479	760,750	1,013,440	688,896	1,115,003
Supplemental Law Enforcement Services	211	156,499	400,000	200,000	221,119	200,000
Traffic Offender	212	30,105	-	-	23,766	-
Police Asset Seizure	214	-	-	-	280,539	-
Public Safety Impact Fee - Police Fund	215	89,844	100,000	100,000	20,000	100,000
Total Resources		<u>1,059,928</u>	<u>1,260,750</u>	<u>1,313,440</u>	<u>1,234,320</u>	<u>1,415,003</u>
Net General Fund Cost		<u>(26,869,550)</u>	<u>(32,569,253)</u>	<u>(32,994,111)</u>	<u>(32,652,015)</u>	<u>(33,931,893)</u>
		FY 2023			FY 2024	FY 2025
L AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL:		136.00			135.00	138.00

*Sums may have discrepancies due to rounding

Staffing

Positions	FY 2022 Amended*	FY 2023 Amended*	FY 2024 Amended*	FY 2025 Adopted	FY 2025 Change
Administrative Assistant I/II	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	-
Administrative Assistant III	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	-
Chief of Police	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	-
Community Relations Specialist**	1.00	1.00	-	-	-
Community Service Officer I	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	-
Deputy Police Chief	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	-
Police Investigative Analyst	-	-	-	1.00	1.00
Police Lieutenant	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	-
Police Officer***	79.00	79.00	79.00	79.00	-
Police Property and Evidence Specialist	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	-
Police Property and Evidence Supervisor	-	-	-	1.00	1.00
Police Records Manager	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	-
Police Records Supervisor	-	-	-	1.00	1.00
Police Records Technician	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	-
Police Sergeant ****	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	-
Principal Management Analyst	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	-
Senior Police Property and Evidence Specialist	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	-
Senior Police Records Technician	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	-
Victim Advocate	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	-
Total	136.00	136.00	135.00	138.00	3.00

*Amended salary authorizations are adopted staffing plus any mid-year adjustments

** 1.00 FTE Community Relations Specialist began reporting to City Manager's Office in FY 2024

***8.00 FTE Police Officers unfunded; 1.00 FTE performs duties in support of the City Manager Office's Homelessness Response Team

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Organization Chart

