Colusa Police Department

Monthly Report for April 2022

Monthly Activities

- City Council Meetings
- Concealed Weapons Permits interviews and application processing
- Participated in the Family Fair at Burchfield Primary School
- Participated in the 'Every 15 minutes' program at Colusa High School
- Attended Colusa County Partnership meeting
- Attended Juvenile Justice Committee meeting

Patrol Statistics

- There were 347 calls for service for patrol officers with 28 agency assists. This is a decrease from March which was 366. The call volume continues to be lower than 2021. In April 2021, there were 439 calls for service. This is approximately a 20% decline from the prior year.
- During April 2022, there were 15 in-custody arrests. There were 13 citations issued in lieu of subjects being booked in jail. A vast majority of those citations issued were drug related offenses and suspended driver's licenses. There were 4 domestic violence related arrests made in April. There was 1 DUI related arrest made. There were 48 reports initiated with 47 being investigations.
- During the month of April, officers initiated 141 traffic enforcement stops. There were 52 citations issued for various vehicle violations. There were no reportable traffic collisions, only information exchanges.
- The Police Services Manager handled 65 calls for service during the month of April. These calls for service don't include telephone calls fielded by the Police Services Manager. Additionally,

she continues to handle a significant number of CCW applications. DOJ clearances for CCW applicants continues to experience delays. *Note: The Police Services Technician's calls for service are separate from patrol officers' calls for service.*

Items of Interest

The Colusa Police Department and Colusa County District Attorney's Office continue to
investigate the murder of Giovanny Alcaraz. The integrity of Alcaraz's murder investigation is
paramount. It is for this reason that specific details surrounding the events that led up to and
the murder itself aren't made public. The Colusa Police Department will not engage nor
comment on speculation put forth on social media. The United States Marshal Service is
attempting to locate the suspect, Christian Suarez. Suarez is 5-09 in height, 120 pounds, with
black hair and brown eyes. An arrest warrant has been issued for Suarez who is pictured below.
If anyone has any information related to the location of Suarez and/or the murder of Giovanny
Alcaraz, please contact the Colusa Police Department.



- Traffic congestion continues to be an issue at both Burchfield Primary School and Egling Middle School. Please remember that left turns are not permitted from the parking lots of both schools on to either Fremont Street or Webster Street. Trying to make left turns creates congestion both in the parking lots as well as the streets. Signage is posted at both schools. Additionally, please do not stop in the roadway and allow children to exit the vehicle. Not only is this not safe but it is also a violation of the California Vehicle Code.
- During the month of April, patrol staff transitioned from 10 hour shifts to 12 hour shifts. The change in shift length is a result of staffing shortages. We are continuing to accept applications for police officer.
- Beginning in January 2022, law enforcement throughout Colusa County is required by the California Department of Justice to compile 'stop data'. The data collected is pursuant to Assembly Bill 953, commonly referred to as Racial and Identity Profiling Act (RIPA). Any time an individual is detained and/or searched, an officer must make an entry into data collection application being utilized. The data includes the age, ethnicity, gender identification, location, and reason for contact. Additional information such as if the individual is homeless and gender identity related information is also documented. The names of the individuals contacted nor

their addresses noted in this data. The most frequent law enforcement contact that this data would be collected is during traffic enforcement stop. Traffic enforcement stop are generally considered self-initiated activity for law enforcement officers. These stops are not included in the 'Calls for Service' statistics. Some agencies choose to include this type of activity with their service call statistics however the Colusa Police Department doesn't to maintain accurate tracking of call volume.

The Colusa Police Department has partnered with the company RIPALog to assist with compiling, processing, and submitting the data to California DOJ. Officers have been utilizing an application on their department issued cell phone to enter this data. While it takes an officer approximately 1 to 2 minutes to enter data into the cell phone application, the processing and review of this data is somewhat time consuming for the supervisors and adds an additional 1 to 2 hours of work.