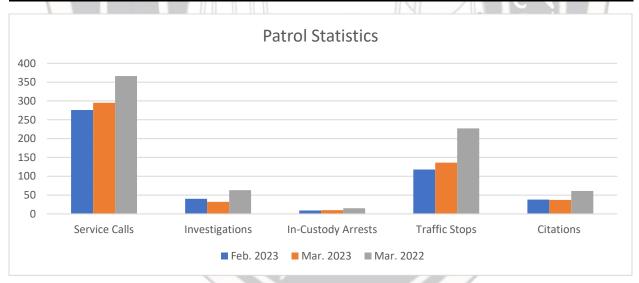
Colusa Police Department

Monthly Report for March 2023

Monthly Activities

- City Council Meetings
- Conducted CCW permit interviews.
- Attended Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) meeting.
- Attended School Attendance Review Board meeting.
- Assisted Colusa High School seniors with their senior projects.
- Attended Task Force Steering Committee meeting.
- Attended Homeland Security Committee meeting.
- Attended Colusa Fire Department Pancake Breakfast and received 4 quilts made by 'Friends Around the Block' for selected law enforcement officers.

Monthly Statistics



- There were 295 calls for service for patrol officers with 24 agency assists. The call volume was slightly higher compared to the month of February which was 276. Although we are early in the new year, we continue to maintain a lower call volume compared to 2022.
- During March 2023, there were 10 in-custody arrests. There were 3 citations issued in lieu of subjects being booked in jail. There were 2 domestic violence related arrests made in March. There were no DUI related arrests made. There were 32 reports initiated.

- During the month of March, officers initiated 136 traffic enforcement stops. There were 37 citations issued. Several of the citations issued were for stop sign violations and vehicle registration violations. There were 2 reportable traffic collisions.
- The Police Services Manager handled 93 calls for service during the month of March. These
 calls for service don't include telephone calls handled by the Police Services Manager.
 Additionally, she continues to handle a significant number of CCW applications. DOJ clearances
 for CCW applicants continued to experience some 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 continues to investigate the murder of Giovanny Alcaraz. Alcaraz was murdered 3 years ago on 3/26/2020, on Wescott Road in front of the Colusa Garden Apartments. The shooting that ultimately claimed the life of Alcaraz occurred in the late afternoon, in broad daylight. 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. He is from the Arbuckle area. An arrest warrant has been issued for Suarez who is pictured below. While the Colusa Police Department will occasionally receive investigative leads, we continue to ask for the public's assistance since it is strongly believed that Suarez remains in contact with family and some friends.

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. If anyone has any information related to the location of Suarez and/or the murder of Giovanny Alcaraz, please contact the Colusa Police Department.



 'School patrol' during the morning drop off and afternoon pick-up continues to see some challenges. A reminder to parents of Burchfield students who utilize the main parking lot located on Fremont Street, left turns are not permitted on to Fremont Street from the parking lot. This is one of the primary causes of congestion on Fremont Street. To those clever parents who make a right turn into the same parking lot from westbound Fremont Street, other motorists appreciate you for assisting in the flow of traffic. The same can be said for those utilizing the parking lot at Egling School. Those making left turns into both parking lots, while this turning movement is permitted, it does contribute to the back up of traffic on both Fremont Street and Webster Street. *Vehicles are not permitted to drop off/pick up students while stopped in a public roadway. It is unsafe and illegal (22500(g) VC).* This is an issue at all school campuses. It's important to have ample time to drop off children. With the winter weather upon us, the weather will present additional challenges to safely dropping off students. Please use caution while the weather is foggy and/or raining.

A very special thank you to Egling School's parent volunteer Crossing Guard, Mel Pina. Mel continues to jump into action and help with children crossing at the busy intersection of Webster Street and 8th Street. Not only does she help students cross the road safely but also starts their morning off right with a friendly 'hello'. Her time and efforts are greatly appreciated!! The results of her efforts are definitely noticeable.

