

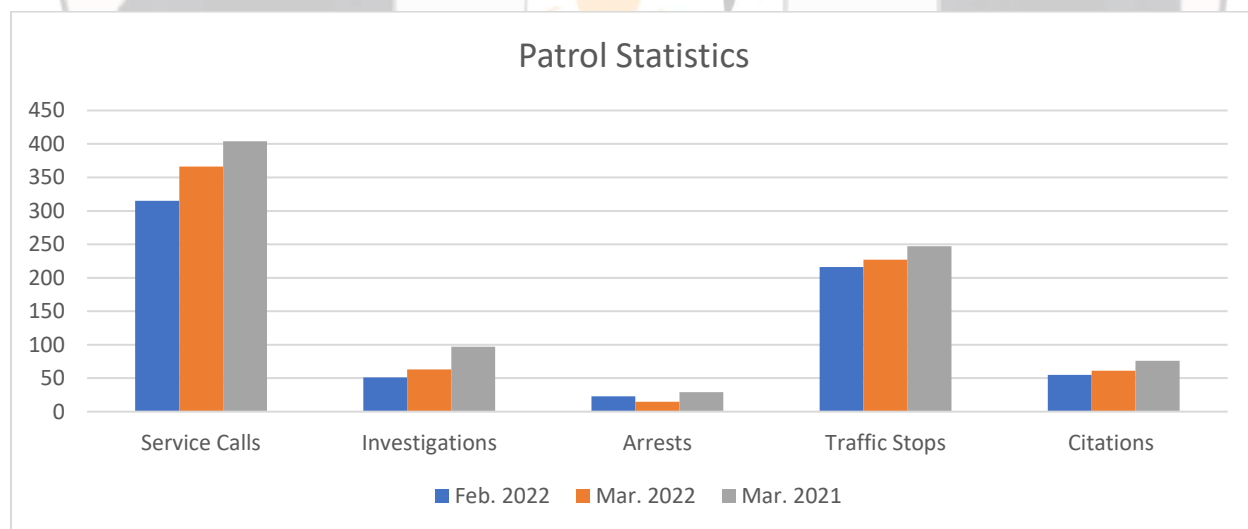
# Colusa Police Department

## *Monthly Report for March 2022*

### Monthly Activities

- City Council Meetings
- Concealed Weapons Permits interviews and application processing
- Met with Colusa County Sheriff's Office Task Force Steering Committee
- Met with Colusa County Office of Education regarding Truancy
- Met with staff at Burchfield Primary School regarding traffic problems

### Monthly Statistics



- With the implementation of the Racial and Identity Profiling Act (RIPA/AB 953), there are additional statistics that the Colusa Police Department is now required to capture. Any time an individual is detained and/or searched, an officer must make an entry into data collection application being utilized. The data being collected includes the age, gender, and race. Additional information such as if the individual is homeless and gender identity related information is also documented. The most common contact that law enforcement officers have during which this information is gathered are traffic enforcement stops. 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.

- There were 366 calls for service for patrol officers with 35 agency assists. This is an increase from February which was 315. The call volume continues to be lower than 2021. In March 2021, there were 404 calls for service. This is approximately a 10% decline from the prior year.
- During March 2022, there were 15 in-custody arrests. There were 11 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 2 domestic violence related arrests made in February. There were 2 DUI related arrests made. There were 63 reports initiated with 57 being investigations.
- During the month of March, officers initiated 227 traffic enforcement stops. There were 61 citations issued for various vehicle violations. There were only 2 reportable traffic collisions, one with injury.
- The Police Services Manager handled 72 calls for service during the month of March. 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 Giovanni 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 Giovanni 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 March, 6 vehicles were towed as part of vehicle abatement. These vehicles had been abandoned along public roadways for extended periods of time. With the availability of additional tow trucks, we are hoping to continue to tow vehicles on a regular basis.
- 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). The data includes the age, ethnicity, gender identification, location, and reason for contact. 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. The Colusa Police Department has partnered with the company RIPAlog to assist with compiling, processing, and submitting the data to California DOJ. During November and December, officers have been utilizing an application on their department issued cell phone to enter this data. In excess of 300 entries have been compiled. 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. During the month of February, officers made over 300 entries.

