



City of Nome Police Department

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4th Quarter Statistical Report
October 1st to December 31st, 2020

General patrol statistics

Total Calls for Service counting keep check patrols: 3096
Of which Alcohol Related: 954

Total Arrests: 144
Alcohol Related: 109

Total Charges: **551**

Total Citations: 107

Total Incidents (Reports): 297

Total Intoxicated Person's calls: 228

Total Ambulance Requests: 177

Total Fire Department Response: 16

Total Sexual Assaults: 20

Dispatch Statistics

911 calls - 273
Non-emergency calls 1,267

RapidSOS is in the pilot phase at Nome Police Department. Sgt Harrison initially discovered and started the process, CO Supv. Silva Weaver took it over and implemented the program. It's still under the training phase. The purpose is to help identify the location of 911 callers. Nome is first agency in Western Alaska to pilot the program. Currently it's 95% accurate even with our limited cell towers.

Three radio quotes have been successfully obtained and submitted from REVL, Artic Com, and Pro Com. It's pending currently the direction that the city will take to upgrade our critical failing radio system.

Personnel

Officer Raymond Murray resigned October, 2020.
CO II Silver Weaver, Promoted to Dispatch Supervisor December, 2020.
Dispatch Supervisor Ecke, reassigned to CO II, supervisor and be assigned that position.
Officer Elizabeth Jachim is still out on works man compensation for an undetermined amount of time due to knee injury.

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Frank Hunsicker is a new officer hired who is residing in Nome.
Two new potential Officers are in the Background stage of being hired.

Currently, Nome Police Department is critical staffing for patrol needs in part caused by difference of conventional employees and rotational employees. Patrol is operating with four patrol officers, one a shift. This has been an extreme burden on the department and the individual employees. Calls for Service are at another record all time high with the lowest level of personnel in the field.

Investigator C. Murray in January will be assigned to help patrol until new hires are found.

Officer Nguyen resigned January, 2021.

The Nome Police Department dispatch center is fully staffed, the need for more full time positions exist as currently there are (5) five, in history sake at least (6) six has been the minimum.

DV/SA Coordinator was filled with the re-hire of Sharon Sparks.

Vacancies

Currently four (4) police officer spots are vacant. Possibly (5) five, if funds for Officer E. Jachim's are coming from the community police office grant.

There are no dispatch or support role vacancies.

Vehicles

Officer Martino showed a strong interest in helping take care of the fleet and was assigned our fleet manager and works with Kelly Corns in regards to service and repairs.

With giving the F-250 away, needs for next fiscal year would be one (1) new patrol vehicle.

319 –Went to Public Works, who traded it with the Port. (Chief's old truck)

302 – Old CSO Van
Good condition from repairs made last couple of quarters.

679 – New Ford Expedition
Good condition

318 – Ford Expedition
Fair condition, no major issues at this time. Higher miles.

321 – Silver unmarked Explorer
Good condition, Investigators vehicle (shaking when going over 40mph, pending quote)

322 – Black Explorer
Good condition, just changed wheel bearings.

323 – White Explorer
Good condition, TPMS sensor bad

329 – Dodge CSO Van
Good condition, not drivable in the winter even with studded tires due to the light weight and only 2WD.

482 – Ford Expedition
Good condition, transmission repair was done.

481 – Ford Expedition

Fair Condition, Officer R. Murray crashed the vehicle into a light pole, damage to the front bumper bar and bumper, but mechanically intact.

885 – F-150

New condition – one had strobe issues was fixed by a grounding, connector problem. Antenna just broke off due to the height hitting the garage doors.

887 – F-150

New condition – one tail-light had crack in it, unknown causes, temporarily fixed by silicone.

Blue Chevy Silverado

Fair condition, driven by Chief

NEST Shelter (Mini Convention Center)

The shelter has shown to be an ever increasing area for calls for service. As the shelter operators 24/7. Ambulance calls has dramatically increased. Arrests have increased, and general requests for police help has increased. The city building is still functioning, but damages from the patrols have existed from calls for service such as food being spilled or thrown, assaults, furniture or items being moved or thrown, and general fights in and outside the building. The doors are holding, but are constantly being pulled, pushed, or even trying to be broken by patrons by rocks, crutches, or their fists.

INVESTIGATIONS

Investigators are being operated under the supervision of Deputy Chief Pruckner. Extreme production and efficiency has been found with Investigator Scott Weaver and Cordell Murray. Higher felonious cases, missing persons, death investigations and specifically sexual assault cases are referred to the investigations department once the patrol unit has taken the initial case. This has been effective and rapport with the district attorney has grown. By allowing patrol to focus on their calls, Investigations have been able to directly focus on cases specifically for a better quality case and helping the victim through their trauma. They also work with DV/SA Coordinator Sharon Sparks who has been a tremendous help to the department and following up with victims or advocating for them.

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