MADERA POLICE DEPARTMENT



Records Division

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Re: California Public Records Act Request

To Whom it May Concern:

The Madera Police Department ("Department") receipt your Public Records Act request seeking the following records:

1. the total number of use of force incidents reported from 2017-2022, separated by year.

2. the total number of use of force incidents, separated by type of force and year, from 2017-2022 (for example, information that specifies the number of taser incidents in 2022, baton incidents in 2022, taser incidents in 2021, baton incidents in 2021, etc.)

3. the total number of civilian complaints against law enforcement that were reported and the total number sustained from 2017-2022, separated by year.

4. the total number of civilian complaints alleging law enforcement use of excessive force that were reported and the total number sustained from 2017-2022, separated by year.

5. the total number of civilian complaints alleging biased policing or racial profiling that were reported and the total number sustained from 2017-2022, separated by year.

6. the total number of civilian complaints alleging criminal conduct that were reported and the total number sustained from 2017-2022, separated by year.

7. the total number of officer-involved shootings from 2017-2022, both fatal and non-fatal, separated by year.

8. the total number of people who police used force against in 2022, broken down by race/ethnicity.

When available, I would appreciate being sent individualized data in this request in spreadsheet format. If individualized data are unavailable, please send information that includes aggregate statistics for the item instead.

Note that my requests for civilian complaints are specifically for civilian complaints, please do not include complaints filed by one officer/the department against another officer.

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The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled in electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

The department is currently evaluating the records for those that we have and that are releasable. The Madera Police Department will make all reasonable efforts to provide the requested records to you in a manner consistent with the PRA by no later than April 11, 2024, provided that we will timely notify you if this is not possible.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your request, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Celia Garnica Auxiliary Services Supervisor 559.675.4224