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VIA EMAIL

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RE: Public Records Act Request – Police Officer – Domestic (intimate partner) Abuse policies
(Eureka Police Department)

Dear Beryl,

The Eureka Police Department received a Public Records Act request for information including;

1. All policies guiding law enforcement response to incidents of domestic violence...
2. ...as well as all available reports and statistics regarding the number of related calls for this type of disturbance or crime for the period from January 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.
 - If incidents of this sort are categorized under a particular type or incident type number, provision of the proper record keeping terminology would be appreciated.
3. All policies, disciplinary procedures, reports, reporting requirements, or available statistics regarding the alleged or actual act of domestic violence (also known as intimate partner abuse) committed in any form by an employee or member of this law enforcement agency

In response to item #1, the following documents outlining the Department's response to reports of domestic/intimate partner violence are included:

- Eureka Police Department Policy §319 – Domestic Violence
- Eureka Police Department Policy §335 – Victim and Witness Assistance
- Eureka Police Department Policy §420 – Cite and Release Policy

In response to item #2:

- Call takers classify calls for service by various incident types. Two call types are the most common:
 - **2735/2735R** (domestic violence incident just occurred/or domestic violence report). Calls are categorized in this manner when the caller is able to confirm the act of violence occurred between those in an intimate partner relationship as defined in California Penal Code §273.5.
 - 8 pages of call for service statistics for this time period are included
 - **415MW** (disturbance between male & female) or **415MWIP** (physical disturbance between male & female). Calls are categorized in this manner

when the caller sees or hears a male and female in an argument (verbal and/or physical) but does not know what their relationship is. This is a broad category and covers a myriad of disturbances between individuals.

- 55 pages of call for service statistics for this time period are included

In response to item #3:

- The Eureka Police Department Discipline Manual is attached. Pages 14-30 address complaints about personnel misconduct.
- There have been no domestic violence/intimate partner abuse complaints received or investigations conducted regarding employees or members of the Eureka Police Department during the responsive time period.

Please advise if I can be of any further assistance in this matter.

Regards,



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