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To Whom It May Concern,

We are responding to the attached GRAMA request, which we located in our SPAM folder as a result of active links embedded in the original message. We do not as a general policy activate embedded links in electronic communication due to the security exposure to our networks.

Thank you for your understanding.

Regards,


Jason Knight
Deputy Police Chief

1. Since January 1, 2016 to the present, how many times have South Jordan police officers used force on a person?

2016 – 66 total incidents – (Low number because of electronic use of force reporting system implementation.)

2017 – 133 total incidents

2018 – 116 total incidents

2019 – 104 total incidents

2020 – 78* total incidents

(*through July 30, 2020)

2. What type of force was used in those instances?

NOTE: the discrepancies in total numbers of those listed below from those in the "total incidents" category can be attributed to multiple officers reporting on the same incident.

2016

Firearm displayed – 35

Less Lethal displayed – 9

Less Lethal deployed – 6

Physical Restraint – 18

2017

Firearm displayed – 110

Less Lethal displayed – 20

Less Lethal deployed – 2

Physical Restraint – 60

2018

Firearm displayed – 85

Less Lethal displayed – 13

Less Lethal deployed – 8

Physical Restraint – 56

2019

Firearm displayed – 86

Less Lethal displayed – 17

Less Lethal deployed – 7

Physical Restraint – 49

2020*

(*through July 30, 2020)

Firearm displayed – 77

Less Lethal displayed – 10

Less Lethal deployed – 4

Physical Restraint – 37

3. Total number of civilian complaints alleging any type of misconduct from 2016-present.

We do not aggregate the data in this way because of the instances being so infrequent and do not create reporting methods for the purposes of GRAMA requests.

4. Total number of complaints alleging officers used excessive force from 2016-present.

None

5. Total number of civilian complaints alleging officers racially profiled.

One known complaint June 2020. None sustained.

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On July 20, 2020:

Subject: Government Records Access and Management Act Request: Police data collection project (South Jordan Police Department)

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Government Records Access and Management Act, I hereby request the following records:

1. the total number of use of force incidents, separated by year and by type of force used from 2016-2019 (for example, "27 taser incidents in 2016, 3 baton incidents in 2017, etc.)
2. the total number of civilian complaints alleging any form of law enforcement misconduct that were reported and the total number sustained, separated by year (for example, 8 complaints in 2016, 2 complaints sustained in 2017, 4 complaints in 2018, 1 complaint sustained in 2019, etc.)
3. the total number of civilian complaints alleging law enforcement use of excessive force that were reported and the total number sustained from 2016-2019, separated by year
4. the total number of civilian complaints alleging biased policing or racial profiling that were reported and the total number sustained from 2016-2019, separated by year

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 electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 10 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Samuel Sinyangwe

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