



# Polk City Police Department

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To: Honorable Mayor and Council Members

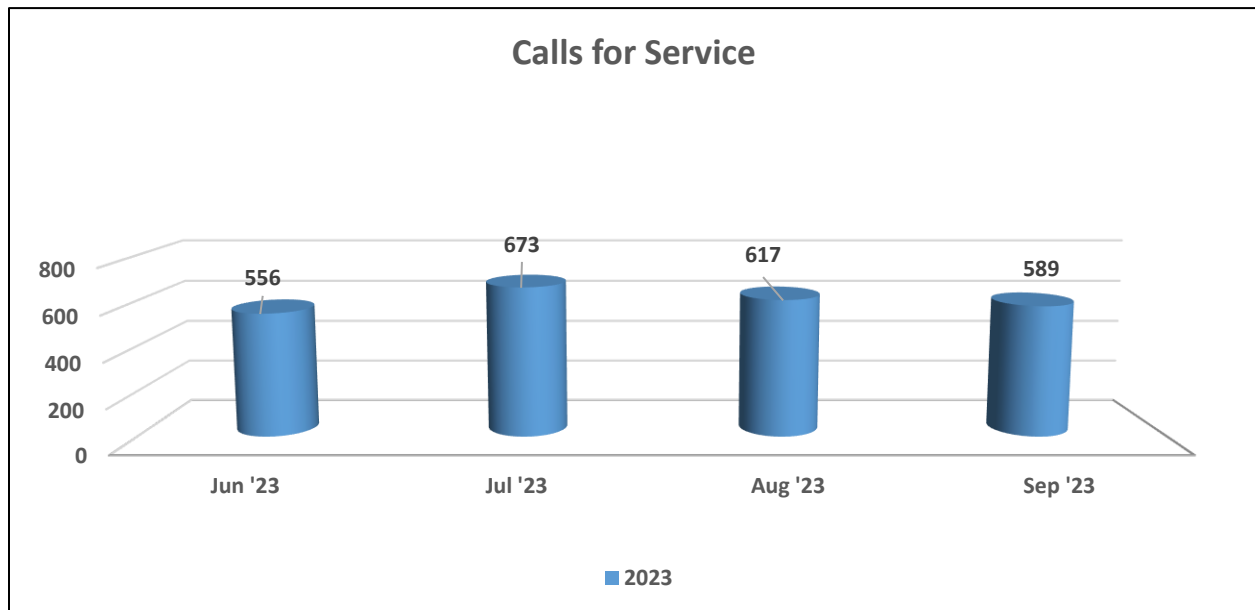
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Re: September 2023 Monthly Report

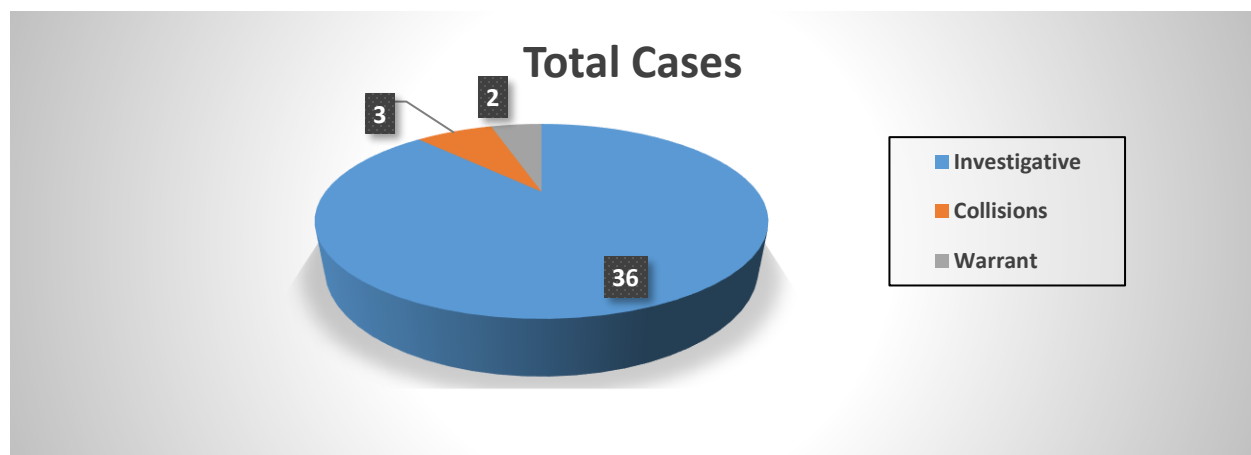
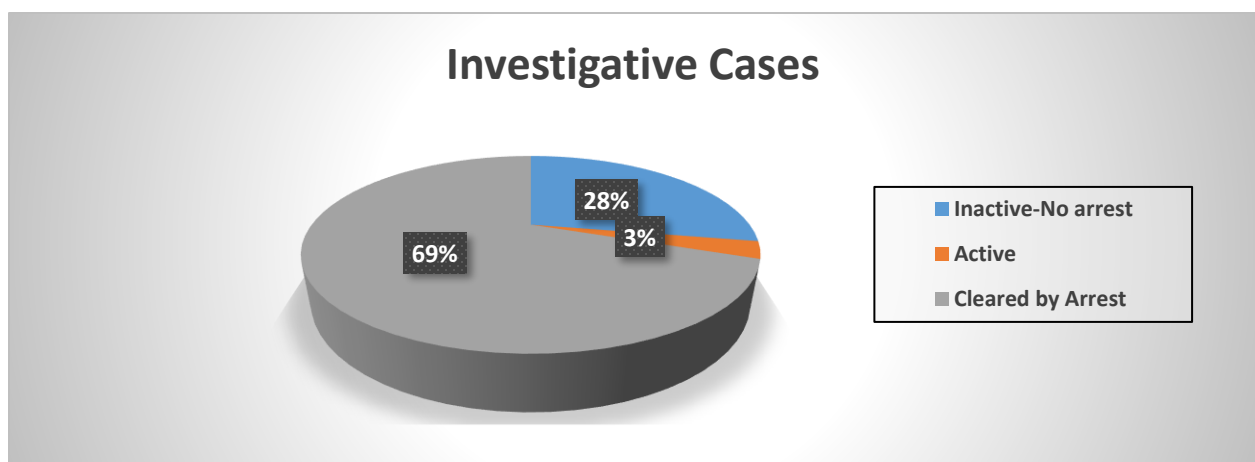
## **Calls for Service**

The total calls for service for the month of September were **589**. This includes response to citizen complaints/reports, assists, self-initiated activities such as traffic stops, building checks, suspicious persons, and case follow up. Among these calls for service Polk City Officers conducted **199** traffic stops.



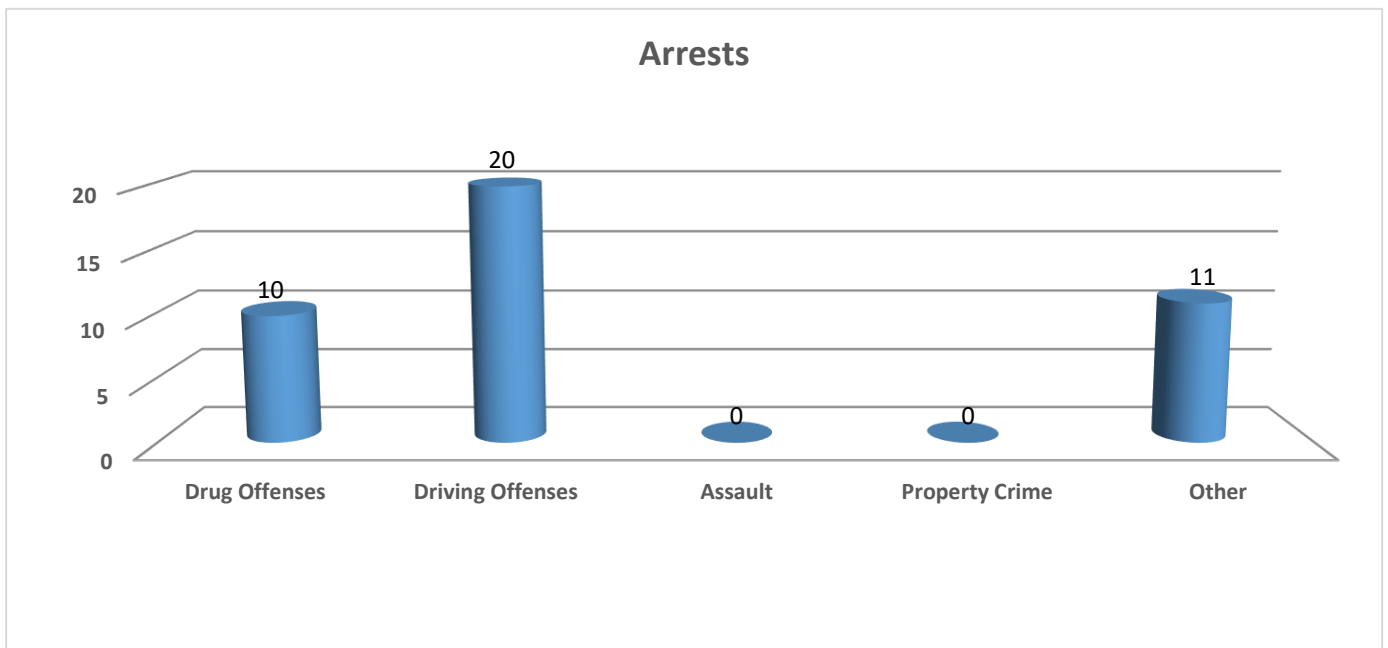
## Cases Made

The Police Department had **41** total cases during the month of September. **36** of the cases were investigative incident reports and **3** were for vehicle collisions, and 2 for wanted persons. There is **1** active investigation this month. There was a **69%** rate of cases cleared by arrest, for investigative cases in September.



## Arrests Made

The Police Department made **41** arrests and issued **66** citations and **171** warnings. The arrests consisted of **20** driving related offenses, **10** drug related offenses, **11** for miscellaneous offenses which included wanted subjects, trespassing, and child endangerment.



## **Notable Incidents**

### **23-0344**

On September 23<sup>rd</sup> a Polk City Officer stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation on W. Bridge Road. The driver, a 20-year-old Urbandale man, was found to have a barred driver's license. He was arrested and charged with Driving While Barred. He was booked into the Polk County jail.

### **23-0338**

On September 17<sup>th</sup>, a Polk City Officer was dispatched to the 400 block of E. Madison Drive for a report of 3 suspicious subjects entering an unoccupied home. The officer responded and contacted 2 women and one man who claimed they had been given consent by the homeowner to go into his house while the homeowner was in jail. Investigation by the officer discovered this was not accurate and they were in fact trespassing. All three subjects were arrested for Trespass. The man had an outstanding warrant for his arrest as well. They were all booked into the Polk County Jail.

### **23-0351**

On September 26<sup>th</sup> a Polk City Police Officer stopped a vehicle on NW Big Creek Drive for a traffic violation. The driver, a 25-year-old Rockwell City man, was found in possession of marijuana, cocaine, a loaded pistol, and some drug paraphernalia. He was charged with 2 counts of Possession of Controlled Substance, a count of Ineligible Persons Carrying Dangerous Weapon and a count of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was booked into the Polk County Jail.

## Officer Training

Officer Garrison continued his Basic Peace Officer Training at Hawkeye Regional Academy in September. Officer Garrison is scheduled to graduate from the academy on October 27<sup>th</sup>. He will complete the remainder of the field training program and then be assigned to the night shift.



Officer Spencer Stover started with our department on September 11<sup>th</sup>. He has entered our department's field training program. Prior to entering our field training program, Officer Stover was instructed by department instructors on topics including firearms training, use of force, Taser, baton, handcuffing, searching, de-escalation, mental health, and many other topics. Officer Stover is set to complete the department's field training program in mid-November.

Officer Blaha-Polson completed Midwest Counterdrug Training Center's course on Highway Drug Interdiction for patrol. This course instructs officers on advanced techniques to interdict the flow of drugs on our streets. This is a 24-hour course taught by instructors who are experts on the subject.

### **In-Service Training**

In September, officers completed the classroom portion of emergency vehicle operations training. The classroom portion is a 2-hour course done before our upcoming emergency vehicle operations exercises scheduled for October. Certified instructors will be providing our staff with refresher training in pursuit driving, evasive maneuvers, and slow speed driving techniques.

Officers also attended our annual Officer Wellness Training on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Representatives from areas of financial, physical, and mental wellness presented to our staff.

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Delaney 7

Blaha-Polson 30

Sherman 8

Whipple 6

Garrison (at ILEA)

Stover 54

Aswegan 6

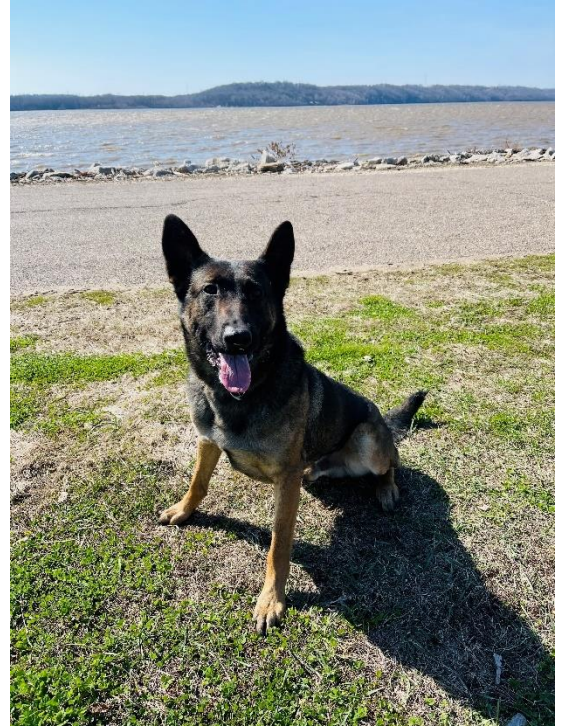
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**Total Training Hours: 143**

## **K9 Program**

Polk City PD K9 Team, Officer Aicher and Eudoris, logged 16 hours of training in September. Training was conducted on various tasks including tracking and narcotics detection.

Eudoris was deployed twice in September – once for narcotic detection and once for tracking.



On September 28<sup>th</sup>, Officer Aicher and Eudoris were requested by the Polk County Sheriff's Office to support the investigation into the whereabouts of a subject involving a shooting in Grimes. Eudoris led law enforcement to a storm water drain where it was believed the subject threw the gun he used in the shooting. Although no gun was found, there was evidence that showed Eudoris had alerted to an area where the subject had discarded other property.

Officer Aicher and Eudoris were also deployed for narcotics detection on a vehicle involved in an investigation in Polk City. Eudoris alerted to the odor of narcotics in the vehicle. The subject, a 44-year-old Polk City man, was found in possession of drug paraphernalia. He was arrested and booked into the Polk County jail.



## Community Outreach

Officers Garrison and Stover represented the police department at the annual Polk City Fall Festival. Officers handed out some items to children, gave some tours of our newest patrol car, and were on hand to answer questions from adults and children alike. Thank you to all that visited us. Officers Garrison and Stover had a ton of fun!





