

MONTHLY REPORT

MONTEREY POLICE DEPARTMENT



Narrative

Citizen Comendation

08-11-2020 - Today I had the great pleasure of having a wonderful experience with some of your officers that I wanted to tell you about. My young son and I were playing ball hockey in my driveway on the hill on Harrison Street when his ball rolled all the way down the hill. He's only 16 months so was very sad and it was a bit far for us to walk down and get it. By coincidence, one of your patrols saw the ball and I observed them drive down the hill, one of the officers got out, crawled into the storm drain to grab it and they drove it right back up. With a smile and absolute courtesy, they gave it back to him and made his day. In a time when police across this country are facing extraordinary pressure for a number of reasons, these officers took the time to do a small thing that had a big impact for that kid. I'm thrilled that his first interaction with police officers will be a foundation of trust and confidence that I know your team deserves. I certainly continue to have the highest respect for all it is that your officers do and will ensure that my boys remember that too. Thank you for all that your team does for this community.

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Homicide

On July 27, 2020, Richard Thompson, age 39 of Seaside was involved in two physical altercations that were separated by approximately seven hours in the City of Monterey. Thompson suffered injuries in both altercations and was treated at local hospitals after both incidents. After being treated and released after the first incident, Thompson was involved in the second incident, where he was burglarizing a local business. On August 10, 2020, Thompson died while in the hospital where he had been since the second incident. Thompson's death was ruled a homicide by the Monterey County Coroner's Office. The Monterey Police Department (MPD) investigated both incidents and arrested the subject that assaulted Thompson in the first incident, for assault with a deadly weapon. The Monterey County District Attorney's Office will determine what charges will be filed in relation to the two incidents.

Car Week Events August 13, 14, 15, 2020

- While there were no sanctioned events in Monterey, due to the COVID-19 issues, Laguna Seca hosted several events over the weekend. Social media events also advertised for car enthusiasts to come to Monterey including an event titled "Fuel Run Monterey."
- The MPD increased staffing to address anticipated vehicle related issues to include: speed related violations, exhibition of speed, reckless driving, speed contests, equipment violations, and illegal smog modifications.
- The MPD utilized social media to advise potential violators that the vehicle code would be strictly enforced. The MPD's enforcement resulted in the following:
 - 08-13-2020 Thursday – (14) citations primarily for speed in the tunnel.
 - 08-14-2020 Friday – MPD staffed (4) additional officers - (27) citations; (1) driving under the influence arrest.
 - 08-15-2020 Saturday - MPD staffed (4) additional officers – (26) citations.



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Monterey County Fires

- **Mutual Aid & Assistance**

- 08-19-2020 Wednesday – The MPD assigned (2) officers to assist with residential evacuations due to the River Fire and (3) officers to assist with residential evacuations due to the Carmel Fire.
- 08-22-2020 Saturday – The MPD assigned (6) officers to assist with evacuations due to the Carmel Fire.
- 08-23-2020 Sunday – The MPD assigned (5) officers to assist with road closures and security patrols of evacuated areas related to the River fire.
- 08-24-2020 Monday – The MPD assigned (3) officers to assist with security patrols.

- **Fire and Evacuation Planning for Peninsula**

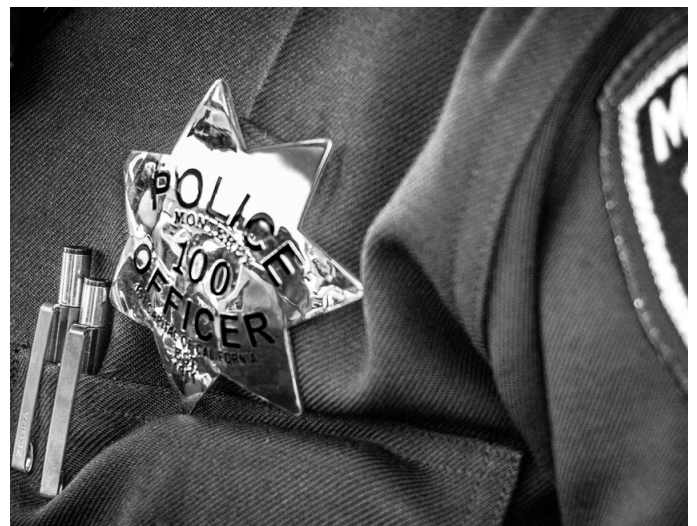
- 08-22/23-20 Saturday & Sunday – The MPD command worked with the Monterey City Emergency Operations Center staff and Monterey County Office of Emergency Services Emergency Operations Center to plan for and staff a possible evacuation of the Monterey Peninsula due to the weather forecast of high winds and dry lightning storms approaching the region in addition to the on-going River and Carmel Fires.

- **MPD Staff Evacuated from their homes**

- 08-19-2020 - (9) MPD staff were forced to evacuate their homes.
- 08-22-2020 – (1) additional MPD staff member evacuated their home.

Protests / Rallies

- 08-14-2020 Friday – CAT officers monitored a “Shelter in Place/face covering protest” at Fremont and El Estero.
- 08-15-2020 Saturday – CAT Officers monitored a “Republican Women’s Rally” at Window on the Bay Park.
- 08-19-2020 Wednesday – MPD responded to Helvic and Casa Verde involving a neighborhood protest regarding street construction. MPD was able to mediate the issue with neighbors and worked with the Streets and Traffic Division to ensure the work continued while the protesters were able to exercise their First Amendment rights.
- 08-22-2020 - Saturday – CAT Officers monitored a “Back the Blue Rally” at Fremont and Camino El Estero.



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COVID-19 - Education/ Enforcement

As the summer months attract people to Monterey, issues surrounding COVID-19 distancing and potential transmission of the disease are increased. In order to address this given the COVID-19 pandemic, the MPD has actively worked with Monterey City Code Compliance Officers, City Attorney's Office and District Attorney's Office to ensure businesses and individuals were complying with the City, State and County COVID-19 guidelines.

Beach / Waterfront Enforcement - Closures/Restrictions

Saturday/Sunday – 08-15/16-2020

- McAbee and San Carlos beaches were closed (except to enter the water) and parking near the waterfront was limited.
- MPD assigned (2) officers on ATVs and (1) CSO to enforce the various orders related to COVID-19. Consistent patrols were conducted along the beach waterfront, at San Carlos Beach, at McAbee Beach, near Old Fisherman's Wharf 1 and along Cannery Row.
 - Approximately (200) people were asked to leave San Carlos and McAbee beaches on Saturday.
 - Approximately (250) people were asked to leave San Carlos and McAbee beaches on Sunday.
 - While the MPD staff had masks for people none were passed out as all persons contacted had facial coverings.
- The MPD issued approximately (40) parking citations in the Del Monte Beach neighborhood for persons illegally parked.

Saturday/Sunday – 08-22/23-2020 (Many MPD resources were devoted to mutual aid to assist with the fires in Monterey County.)

- McAbee and San Carlos beaches were closed at all times, not just weekends (except to enter the water) throughout the summer from Saturday 08-22-2020 to September 22, 2020. Additionally, all beaches (including the main Monterey Beach) are closed over the Labor Day holiday from Friday, 09-05-20 to Sunday, 09-07-20.



- Additional barriers and signs were placed at the closed beaches.
- MPD assigned (1) officer and (1) CSO to enforce the various orders related to COVID-19. Consistent patrols were conducted at San Carlos Beach, McAbee Beach, near Old Fisherman's Wharf 1 and along Cannery Row.
 - McAbee Beach – no violations observed
 - San Carlos Beach – (7) people cleared from the beach.
 - Cannery Row – (5) masks provided.
 - Old Fisherman's Wharf – no violations observed.

Saturday/Sunday – 08-29/30-2020

- On Saturday - (1) CSO and (1) Officer patrolled the waterfront & (2) Officers patrolled Del Monte Beach on ATVs.
 - (24) people were told to leave San Carlos & McAbee beaches.
 - (2) masks were passed out on Cannery Row.
 - Wharf 1 had light foot traffic and no masks issued.
 - Minor crowds on Del Monte Beach.
- On Sunday - (1) CSO and (1) Lieutenant patrolled the waterfront & (2) Officers patrolled Del Monte Beach on ATVs.
- Approximately (90) people were told to leave San Carlos and McAbee beaches.
- No masks were passed out - if persons did not have masks on when asked they produced masks and put them on.
 - Minor crowds on Del Monte Beach
 - (1) subject was arrested for being under the influence of alcohol and resisting arrest.



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COVID-19 - Education/ Enforcement

- 08-10-2020 – The MPD contacted a group of 8-10 regarding mask questions at the 100 block of Tide. The group was educated.
- 08-10-2020 - The MPD responded to a call regarding kids at the Hilltop Park playground. The parent was educated and complied.
- 08-18-2020 - The MPD contacted the DA's office regarding complaints at a local gym. Some gyms are operating as "day camps." Day camps are allowed to operate with specific guidelines in place such as temperature checks, cohort size, and masks. They are not required to be "all day" camps. Officers responded to the gym and found staff had marked the floor with tape indicating where children can stand so that social distancing is followed and they have set up a health screening/temperature check protocol for children as they arrive. Staff was not requiring the children to wear masks and staff was provided the information and educated on the requirements. The MPD documented this in an informational report.
- 8-19-2020 - Officers responded to a restaurant based on a complaint. No violations were observed. All staff members were wearing masks. The staff was educated regarding the previous complaint.
- 8/23/2020 - A CSO was dispatched to Alvarado regarding a homeless subject not wearing a mask. The CSO provided the subject with (2) masks and he complied.
- 8-23-2020 - Officers were dispatched to Window on the Bay Park regarding a group not wearing masks. The group was admonished and everyone in the group produced a mask and complied.
- 8-24-2020 - Officers were dispatched to a club, regarding a SIP violation. Upon arrival the business was closed and no violations were observed.
- 08-30-2020 – Approximately (12) people were told to leave the Laguna Grande soccer field in violation of the SIP order.
- Multiple hotels in Monterey have been housing COVID+ patients to shelter in place. Some of the hotels have been coordinated by Monterey County and others coordinated by the agricultural industry. MPD has responded to some of these hotels for various disturbances and other issues related to persons that have been placed at the hotels.





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PATROL

- 08-01-2020 – The MPD assisted MCSO with closing the recreational trail for an hour between Ramona and English while their bomb squad unit removed what appeared to be explosive devices found in the greenbelt above Highway 1 near Del Monte off ramp.
- 08-03-2020 – The MPD responded to a call originating from a room at a local hotel. The caller claimed to have firearms and that dead bodies were inside the room. The male caller and another female made multiple outlandish claims and unusual queries of the dispatchers. Officers responded, formulated a plan and contacted the occupants of the room. The occupants were unaware and did not appear to be the same as the caller(s). This appears to have been a prank call or “swatting” incident.
- 08-07-2020 – The MPD was dispatched to two residential burglaries in progress simultaneously. The first burglary occurred on Dundee and the suspect was described as a female last seen running east on Bruce. The suspect was standing in the victim’s bedroom when they woke up and she ran out the back door. The other burglary occurred on Hannon. The suspect was standing in the living room and when contacted by the victim the suspect ran out the back door. There was no suspect description. During the course of the investigation, officers identified the female suspect from the second incident (on Dundee) as Michelle Bozarth, 37-years old of Monterey. On August 10, 2020, Bozarth was located by Monterey Police Officers and arrested for the burglary on Dundee.

- 08-17-2020 Pacific Grove PD responded to a person who was shot in the head but conscious and breathing. The victim was in a business and the suspect was in a vehicle outside of the business. The officers saw that the suspect was armed with a gun. Mutual aid was requested and MPD immediately sent three patrol units. The Monterey Peninsula Regional Special Response Unit (MPRSRU) was called to the scene and many off-duty members from MPD and other peninsula agencies responded. MPRSRU was able to contain the suspect and on multiple occasions the suspect pointed the gun towards officers who were tactically located behind cover. SPRSRU was able to negotiate with the suspect and convinced her to peacefully surrender.





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PATROL CONTINUED

- On 08-17-2020, the MPD was advised that Alan Smith, a 38-years old male, of Monterey had manufactured a “zip gun” and possessed ammunition. A “zip gun” is a makeshift object (such as a pipe) altered to accept and fire live ammunition. The MPD attempted to contact Smith in his driveway in the 700 block of Oak Street in an effort to arrest him. Smith ran to his front porch and tried to enter the house, however the front door was locked and Smith was not able to gain entry into the house. The front porch was surrounded by a short wood railing which created some containment, however there was concern Smith would attempt to flee or attempt to break into the house (which contained other family members), creating a more dangerous situation. MPD officers continued dialogue with Smith in order to have him voluntarily surrender. Officers were aware that Smith had previously made “zip guns,” often times carried knives and were unsure if he had any weapons. While some officers continued to attempt dialogue with Smith, others created a plan to contain the situation and utilize a variety of tools dependent on the circumstances as they developed. The MPD devoted almost all police resources in the City to the situation. All MPD officers on scene had attended Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training and de-escalation training. One of the detectives on scene was a member of the Monterey Peninsula Hostage Negotiations Team.

During the situation, officers could see the clips to two knives in Smith’s pockets and Smith related that he had “blades.” Smith continuously stated that he would not comply with the officer’s requests and if the officers walked onto the porch, “it would end badly.” Monterey officers continued dialogue, negotiations and de-escalation tactics with Smith in an attempt to take him into custody. Smith continued to disregard officer’s requests to disarm himself and surrender. After approximately 3 ½ hours officers deployed several less lethal munitions, and a taser which had little to no effect on Smith, however they distracted him long enough for officers to utilize a plastic shield and body weight to overcome him and take him into custody without serious injury to Smith or officers.

- 08-20-2020 – The MPD took a report of a burglary at the Monterey Library, during the morning hours. Later in the afternoon, a citizen observed a homeless looking individual with two laptops that said “Monterey Library” on them at the Starbucks on Lighthouse and David. The citizen called MPD but the subject had already left. MPD and PGPD started searching for the subject. PGPD located him on David Ave. resulting in a short pursuit where the suspect ran into a Tesla on his bicycle and after the collision ran toward Lighthouse. An MPD motorcycle officer was able to apprehend the suspect and recover the stolen laptops.



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COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM (CAT)

- CAT assisted with transporting a homeless female from the Gathering for Women to a hotel for which she had a voucher.
- Two members from CAT gave a public safety presentation to “College Living Experience” students.
- Encampment Noticing & Abatement
 - Noticed (64) encampments
 - Abated (48) encampments
 - (28) Del Monte Beach, (17) Window on the Bay,
 - (1) at Don Dahvee Park, (2) at Iris Canyon.
 - Officers provided flyers to homeless persons with information regarding services available to them.

MULTI-DISCIPLINARY OUTREACH TEAM (MDOT)

- MDOT collaborated with Adult Protective Services to assist a homeless female that congregates on Pacific Street.
- Social workers from CHOMP and Interim rode with CAT officers to conduct homeless outreach.
- The COVID situation has created challenges for several members of MDOT to participate due to potentially being exposed to COVID and staffing issues in their primary work locations.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT / TRAINING

- The MPD will be holding a promotional assessment board for the rank of sergeant in October.

- On 08-19-2020, Chief Hober provided a 1.5 hour “virtual” recorded promotional preparation seminar regarding not only promotional assessment strategy but also leadership expectations.

INVESTIGATIONS

- A subject was involved in a felony vehicle pursuit with the Seaside Police Department. During the pursuit, a Monterey officer identified the driver and the pursuit was canceled by SSPD. The following day, detectives located the suspect walking in Monterey and after he struggled with officers he was able to be taken into custody and was booked at county jail.
- Detectives served a search warrant on Via Isola. The warrant was in relation to drug sales and a drug overdose. Detectives located drugs, burglary tools, and drug paraphernalia and arrested a subject.
- Detectives assisted with many of the incidents described above to include the fire mutual aid and several of the critical incidents.

NARCAN ADMINISTERED LIFE SAVING

- 08-23-2020 – MPD, MFD and AMR responded to a local hotel regarding a possible overdose. Officers located a subject who was unconscious with shallow breathing. Officers administered Narcan and the victim was transported to a local hospital.
- 08-25-2020 - MPD responded to a possible overdose and administered Narcan. The subject regained consciousness and was transported to a local hospital.



Staffing, Foot Patrols and Tidelands

MPD Proactive Foot Patrols

	Patrol Officers	CSOs
Staffing		
Sworn (as of 08/31/2020)		
53 authorized		
-4 frozen		
-0 unfilled		
-0 extended leave		
-3 academy		
-2 training		
-0 light duty		
"Street ready" down 17%		
Non-Sworn (as of 08/31/2020)		
19 authorized		
-1 frozen PST		
-0 training PST		
-1 frozen CSO		
Down 10%		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alvarado Street 53 Cannery Row 37 City Hall 14 Del Monte Beach 74 Laguna Grande 37 Monterey Library 13 Recreation Trail 28 Transit Plaza 46 Wharf 1 47 Wharf 2 76 Other 10 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 9 0 13 0 0 1 0 7 1 10
TOTAL FOOT PATROLS :	435	45
Tidelands Area		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Police Officers 201 hours Community Service Officers 64 hours 	
TOTAL TIDELANDS AREA	265 hours	



Traffic Enforcement & CAT Detail

August 2020-Traffic Enforcement Detail 2 Sworn Officers

Traffic Stops	127	Community Outreach Meetings	0
Hazardous Citations	56	Training Hours	24
Non-Hazardous Citations	21	Beat-Patrol Hours	148
Injury Collision Reports	6	Court Hours	5
Other Reports	26	Special Event Hours	10

August 2020-Community Action Team (CAT) 1 SGT, 2 Sworn Officers, 2 FT CSO

Arrests	7	Jail Transports	8
Citations	34	Reports Completed	57
Encampment Abated	48	Training Hours	112
Community Outreach Meetings	1	Special Event Hours	82
Foot Patrol Hours	125	Beat-Patrol Hours	143



Department Activity- August 2020

Calls for Service August 2020	
Priority 1	297
Priority 2	587
Priority 3	1540
Priority 4	1441
Priority 5	102
Priority 6	69
Priority 7	393
Total CFS	4429

Calls for Service Legend	
Priority 1	Emergency
Priority 2	Immediate response required
Priority 3	Respond as soon as possible
Priority 4	Respond when available
Priority 5	Cold – Respond as needed
Priority 6	Information only – No response necessary
Priority 7	Administrative

Department Activity August 2020										
	Narrative Reports	Supp. Reports	Felony Arrests Booked	Misd. Arrests Booked	DUI Arrests	FI Cards	Haz/ Non- Haz/ Admin Cites	Parking Cites	I Case	Total
Patrol Officers	336	95	23	75	11	108	79	95	14	836
CAT ¹	31	10	2	5	0	4	27	2	21	102
Traffic	29	7	0	4	2	3	77	0	0	122
Sergeants ²	10	14	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	31
Investigations ³	4	83	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	93
Records	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	47
CSO	8	8	0	0	0	0	1	1	22	40
Lieutenants	1	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	6
Totals	443	219	29	85	13	116	193	99	80	1277

¹ CAT patrol and CAT Sergeant

² Patrol Sergeants

³ Inv. Sergeant and Detectives



Part I and Part II Crime - August 2020 (as reported to the FBI and pending FBI verification)

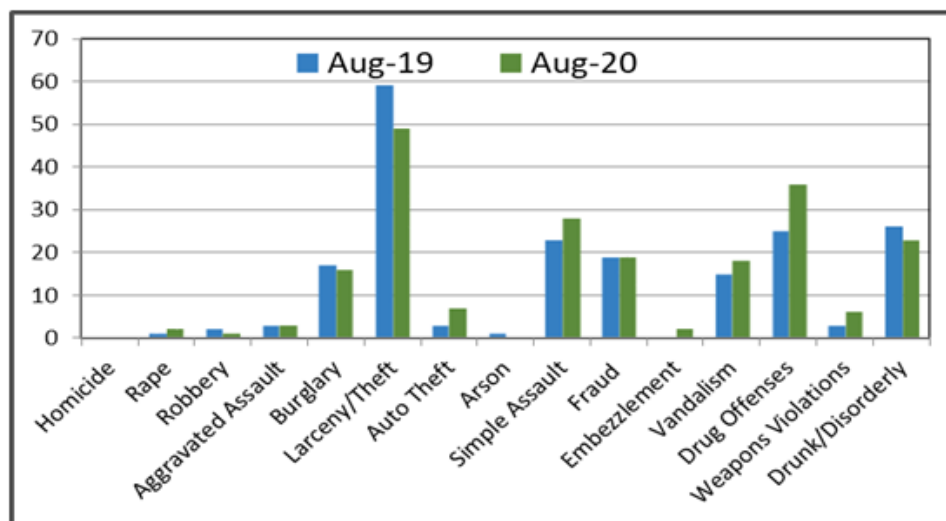


Table A- August 2019 v. August 2020

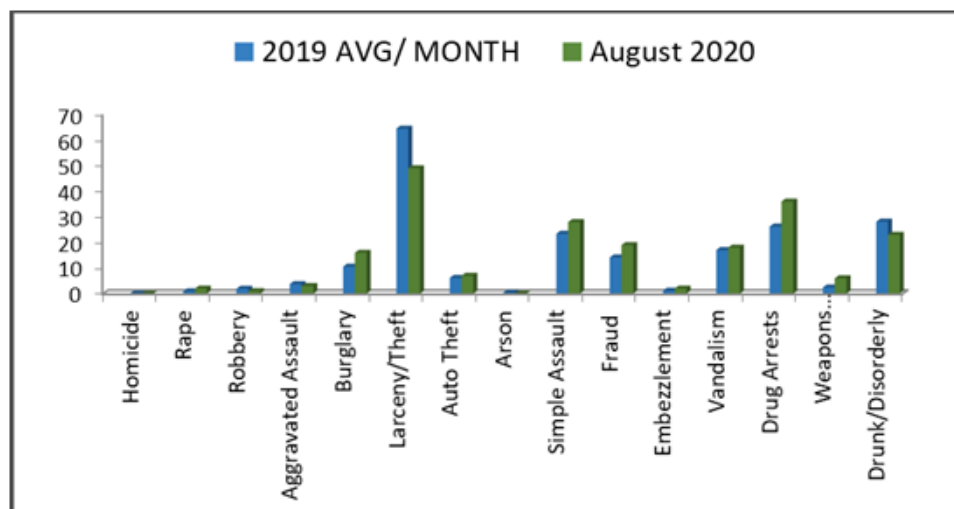


Table B- Monthly Average v. August 2020