Monterey Police Department Transition to CIBRS and NIBRS Reporting

The Monterey Police Department (MPD) is transitioning to the California Incident-Based Reporting System (CIBRS), an expansion of the FBI’s National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) from the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) standard. MPD is making this change to meet state and federal data standards and to support the national transition to NIBRS.

As the new data collection standard, CIBRS and NIBRS capture details on victims, known offenders, relationships between victims and offenders, arrestees, property, and drugs involved in crimes within an incident, representing a substantial shift in crime reporting. The additional detailed crime incident data will provide greater analytic capability and makes CIBRS and NIBRS a superior crime-reporting standard to the previously utilized Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) standard.

MPD began reporting CIBRS-compliant crime data to the California Department of Justice (CA DOJ) for submission to the FBI’s National Incident-Based Reporting System on March 1, 2022, for a validation period of three months. While the MPD transitions to the CIBRS and NIBRS reporting, the MPD will continue to submit monthly Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) data. Effective July 1, 2022, the MPD will fully transition to CIBRS and NIBRS reporting and discontinue UCR reporting.

The new CIBRS and NIBRS reporting will yield a different format for data collection which will result in different statistical markers than the UCR data.

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