

Memorandum

City of Lawrence

Police Department

To: Community Police Review Board
From: Lieutenant David Ernst, Public Affairs
Date: September 24th, 2020
Re: Office of Professional Accountability Complaint Totals

BACKGROUND

Board Member Marie Taylor requested an agenda item to be placed on the September 30, 2020 Community Police Review Board meeting titled "Presentation on number of complaints the Lawrence Police Department received and reviewed by the Office of Professional Accountability from January 2017 to January 2020."

DISCUSSION

The Office of Professional Accountability (OPA) is responsible for handling personnel investigations. Most complaints or concerns are received and resolved by the employee's direct supervisor. Should OPA receive a complaint or concern that does not rise to the level of a personnel investigation, the matter would be forwarded to an employee's supervisor for resolution.

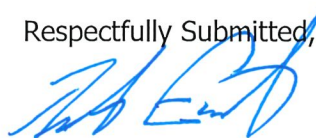
OPA logs all contacts the office receives. These contacts consist of general inquiries of police procedures, compliments or complaints. The following is a chart showing the number of contacts OPA had in 2017-2019 and how many of those contacts resulted in a personnel investigation.

Year	Contacts	Personnel Investigations
2017	52	13
2018	64	16
2019	41	9

Recommendation:

Receive report.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lieutenant David Ernst
Public Affairs Unit