

**Town of Triana Regular Council Meeting**  
**Monday, July 11, 2022**  
**6:30p.m.**

The mayor called the meeting to order. Roll call: Council Members George Ragland, Jason Garstka, Levoneia Ayers, Casey Whitman and Mayor Mary Caudle. Members present constituted a quorum. Council Member Erica Hopkins was absent

Legal counsel Caleb Ballew and the clerk Sharron Humphrey were also present.

Approval of minutes: Council Member Whitman made the motion to approve the minutes dated June 27, 2022. Council Member Ayers seconds the motion. Motion carried.

**Mayor Caudle's Report:** Senator Orr is on the agenda to do a presentation; once he arrives, we will change the regular order of business to allow him to speak.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Fire & Police:** Chief Powell presented his midyear report to the council, see attached report. Chief reported we have applied for a grant through Cops Grant to hire three officers we should hear something around mid-September. We applied last year and were turned down hoping this year will be different. If awarded the grant will put us slightly above the recommended 2.5 Officers per 1,000 residents and allow them to patrol 24/7. The new patrol car should be stripped, equipped and ready to go on tomorrow.

Council Member Ragland asked if we had any applications in for police officer, Mayor stated we're still advertising and looking for another officer. Chief Powell asked if we were hiring a full-time or part-time person. Mayor stated council said full-time.

Chairperson Ragland reported the Police Dept. traveled 2,498 miles, made 26 traffic stops, 15 warning citations, 16 traffic citations, 95 calls for service, 2 arrest and 10 reports.

Fire Dept. responded to 2 outside fires, 3 fire alarms and 12 Emergency calls.

**Finance:** No Report

Mayor Caudle stated: the gym has two AC units, one of the units have been repaired she stated we need to look at repairing the other one. Suggested moving forward to accept bids to repair it. Council in agreement.

We're using new copier temporarily until ours comes in. She thanked Councilman Whitman for hooking up the computers to the printer.

We have the new service agreement from Cintas everything is pretty much the same may go up after more staff is hired. Term is 1 year. Council in agreement.

Mayor stated the pump to the well owned by the Toney's has gone out. We have a \$14,000.00 estimate to repair it. Councilman Whitman asked did we own the pump but pay them for water. Mayor stated the Toney's own the pump. The agreement states we will make necessary repairs and pay them an amount

for water used. Council Member Ragland stated they do not own the pump the town purchased the pump. Mayor stated the pump is in the well on their property.

Ragland stated six years ago he mentioned we needed to dig a well. He stated Mr. Murphy can go in cornfield dig and find water. We go into Towne Lakes dig can't find water.

Mayor stated this did not happen while she's been mayor. This was done years back when they searched for water that well was put in when the lake was put in. Council Member Ayers asked if this was the only quote received or do we have the means to get multiple quotes. Mayor stated Hand Service is the only company in North Alabama that digs and repairs wells in this area.

Motion by Council Member Ragland to have the well repaired at a cost of \$14,580.00. Council Member Ayers second the motion. Motion carried.

**Utility:** No Report

**Park & Recreation:** No Report

Council Member Ragland stated we agreed to purchase some mats for the gym walls for Park & Rec. Mayor Caudle stated we had a work session and discussed it. The Rec Coordinator was supposed to get bids. He was working on the bids he sent her two. He has not completed items as requested. She plans to get Ms. Ayers to help with getting bids.

**Streets and Cemetery:** Chairperson Garstka stated getting the street signage for Landess Cir is still on their radar hopefully this week, and that Zierdt Road is at the beginning stage of potholes repair. Mayor stated the Whole town has been scheduled for street repair this week

Mr. Garstka thanked Mayor Caudle for coordinating with Commissioner Steve Haraway and other parties for the repairs.

Council Member Ragland reported he was down at the cemetery today and noticed some trees that needs to be trimmed. The grave digger stated he can cut the branches back. Some family members stated to him that they would like for their loved ones to be buried under the tree.

Mayor stated she will have Sharron to reach out and get some quotes from him.

Mayor Caudle stated everyone should have received a draft of the cemetery deed sent to their emails, she stated it looks good and for those who have already purchased plots they will be able to identify where their plots are.

Council Member Whitman suggested that if someone is reserving property, they may want to consider marking it out with pins or rebar.

Motion by Council Member Whitman to approve the use of cemetery deed. Council Member Ayers seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor reported we sent out five letters from the Code Enforcement Officer, the letters reference weeds, junk, grass things like that. The letters will be kept on file for anyone wanting to look at them.

Mayor reported we had a Public Hearing earlier to discuss moratorium on large scale developments. She stated it was a good meeting. She asked if there were any comments, anything that may need to be added. Council Member Whitman asked if they may need language that talks about annexations. He



stated annexations are not a rezone. Mayor stated that's correct because if the land is annexed into Triana then it's not already zoned.

Attorney Ballew stated the way he recalls the language he does not think it would restrict annexations, but he does think it would be safe if the town wants to specifically allow in instead of relying on the fact that it's not restricted to assume that it's still allowed.

Mayor Caudle stated that is one of the things that came up during the Public Hearing.

Attorney Ballew stated the moratorium would apply to everyone equally. If they're going to annex in, they have to understand they're coming into the town with its current law. He stated we could include in the ordinance to say, annexations are still permissible under this ordinance.

Council Member Ragland asked can we afford it annexing.

Mayor stated we're not putting it in saying we'll annex during the moratorium if someone wanting to annex land into Triana they would have to follow the same law.

**Public Comments:**

Theresa Nelson stated last week the County came down and paved part of Wall Triana, but they did not do Landess Cir where the pothole is. She spoke with the guy about filling in the hole, but he had already dumped everything off his truck. He did not say Landess Cir was on his list to repair. She stated she would hate to see an accident happen with someone hitting that hole.

Mayor stated they have it on their list, they will finish up the whole town hopefully this week.

Betty Williams reported work has resumed on the clinic. Chris will be here next month to start working on the water on the outside.

Ms. Williams presented drawings for the Veterans Park, she asked do they need approval from the town as to where to put it. Mayor stated it will be across the street from the park near where the old senior building was. Ms. Williams asked will they need inspections or permits first. Mayor stated it will have to go through permitting.

Ms. Freeman asked for clarity on the Historical Society having to have permits just to pour the concrete. Mayor Caudle stated anytime you pour concrete you have to have a permit and get it inspected. She further stated because it's for the Town it will not be a cost to them, but it still has to have a permit.

Motion by Council Member Ayers to move forward with the Triana Veterans Memorial site and landscape plans. Council Member Garstka seconds the motion. Roll call vote, Ragland-yes, Garstka-yes, Ayers-yes, Whitman-yes and Caudle-yes. Unanimous consent, motion carried.

Ms. Williams reported the Historical Society applied for a \$30,000.00 Grant with Montgomery Society Commission. If the Grant is funded, they will repair the roof and get a new garage door for the bathroom.

Mayor stated to keep your fingers crossed that we get approved for the grant the town did for the whole bathrooms. We should know something in November.

Mrs. Freeman stated there's a bad pothole over on Ervin Lane that nothing has been done about.

Mrs. Freeman asked do you have to have a permit to fill in with topsoil.

Mayor stated there's nothing in our files to say, but if you dig out and move so much you have to get a permit.

Ms. Freeman asked how soon the deed to the cemetery plot. Mayor stated they just voted on them as soon as Sharron gets the information to fill in the spot with the person's name, by the end of the week.

Ms. Freeman asked did the people bringing in the soil have to have a license with the Town of Triana. Mayor stated they should most of the contractors working in the subdivisions have sub-license through the builders.

Ms. Freeman stated driving down Record St there was a cross area in the curve that's filled in now. The town needs to put more signage in the curve, a driver going straight will end up in the property owner's land. Mayor Caudle stated she and Ms. Ayers were near the area discussing putting up some signage spacing them out. Ms. Ayers stated before she became a Council Member she asked for that same thing, additional curve signage. Mayor asked Council Member Garstka to order more curve signage to be spaced out on Record St.

Patsy Parvin stated she would like to see the town and citizens get behind this Veterans Memorial.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

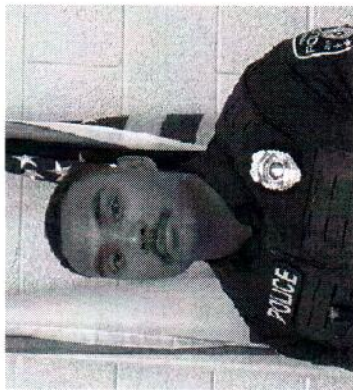
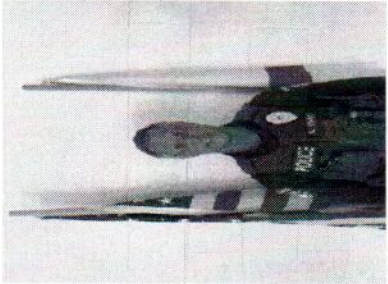
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Sharon Humphrey

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Mayor or Chair Pro Tempore



# Triana Police Department



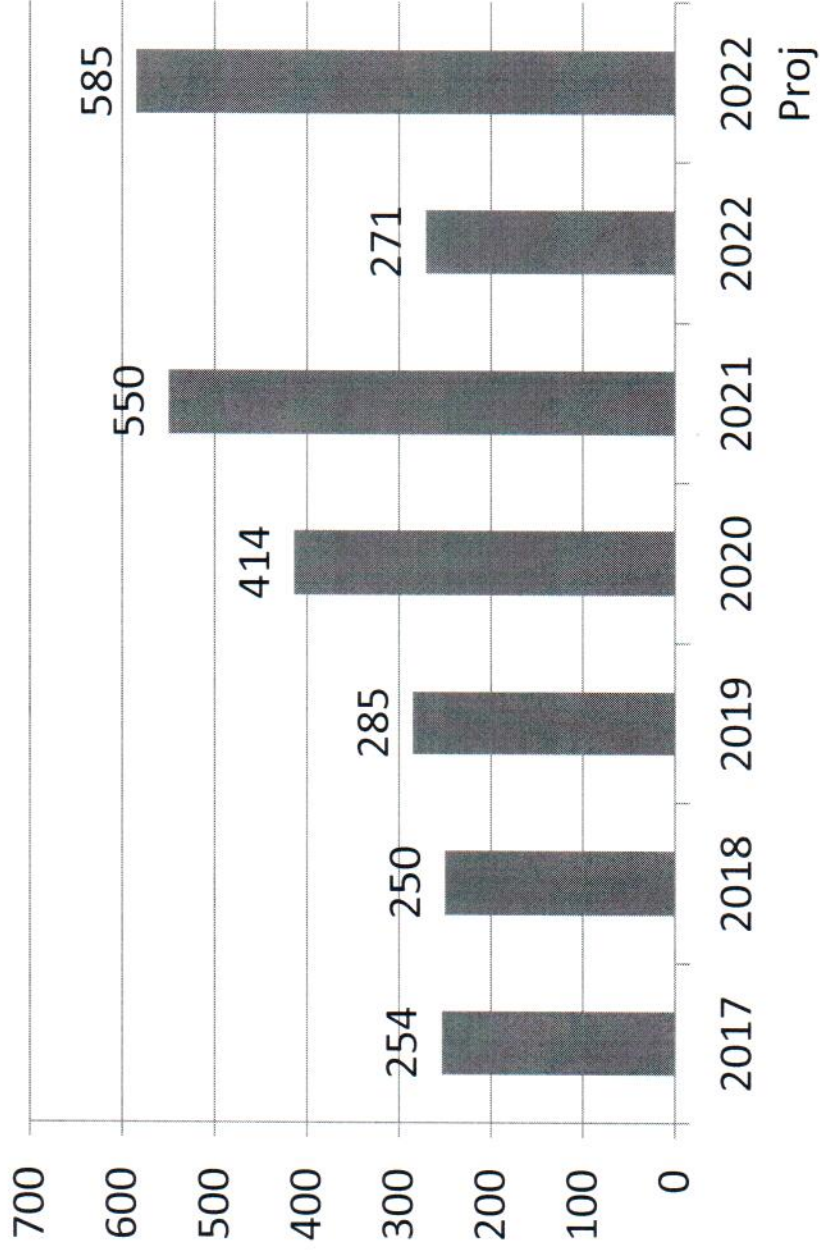
# 2022 MID-YEAR REPORT

# Patrol

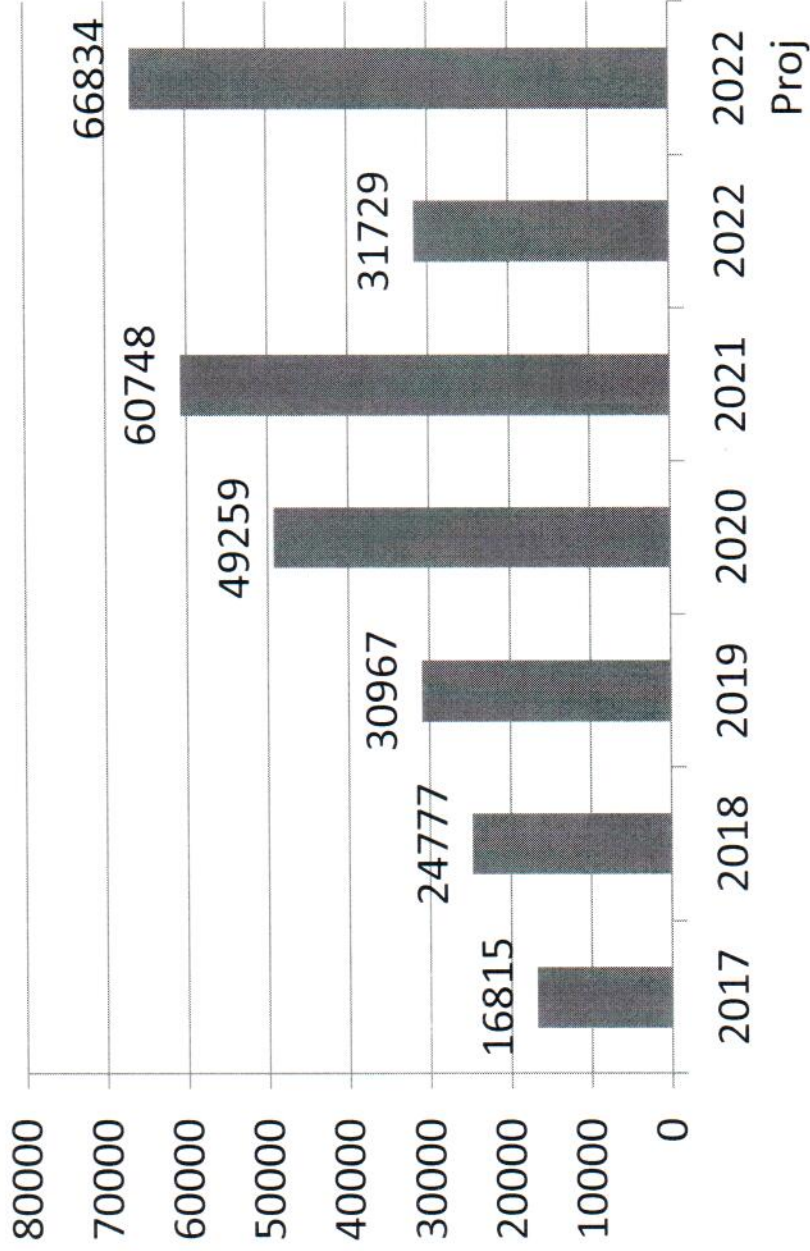




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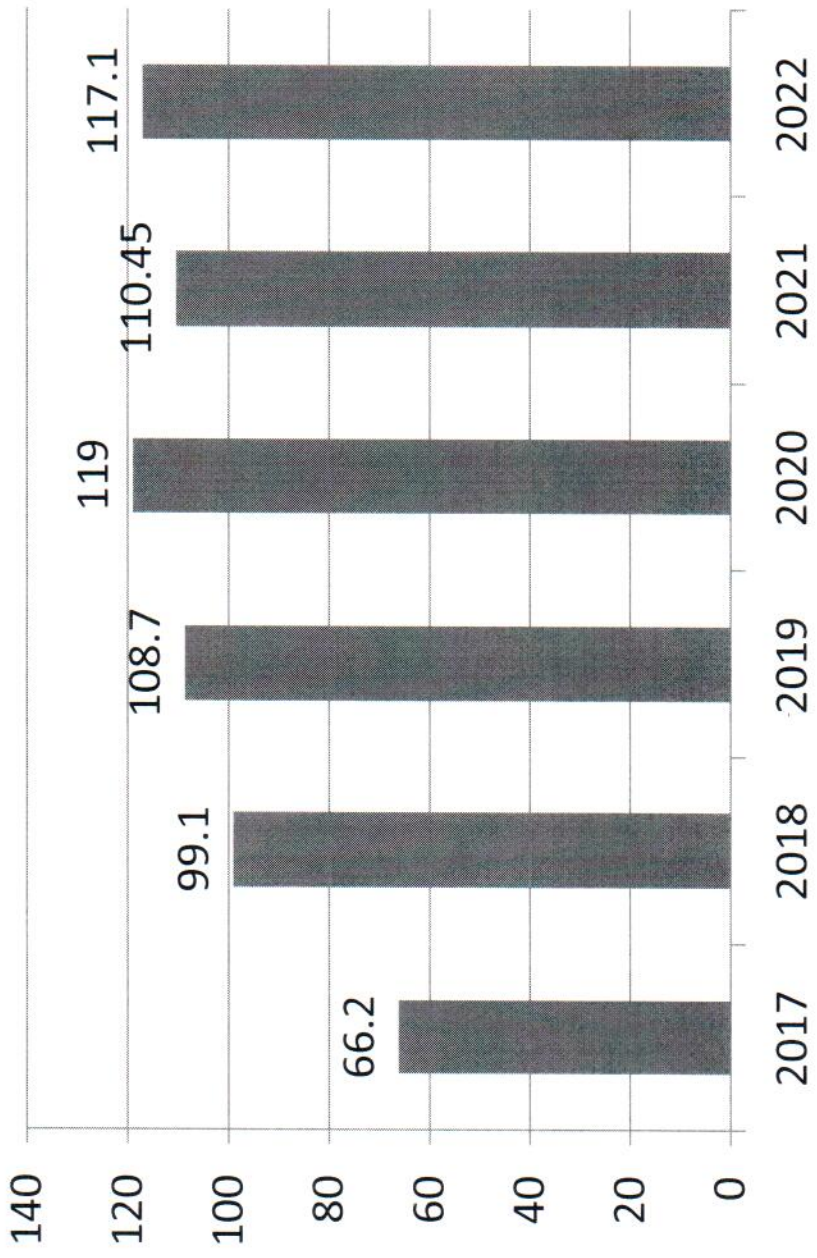


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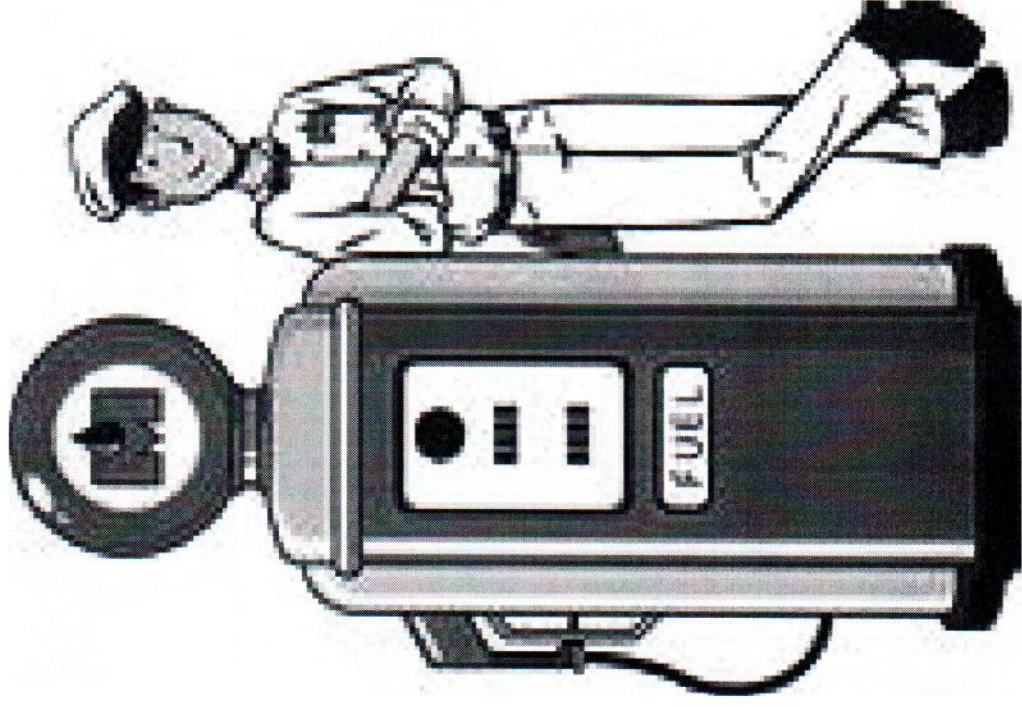




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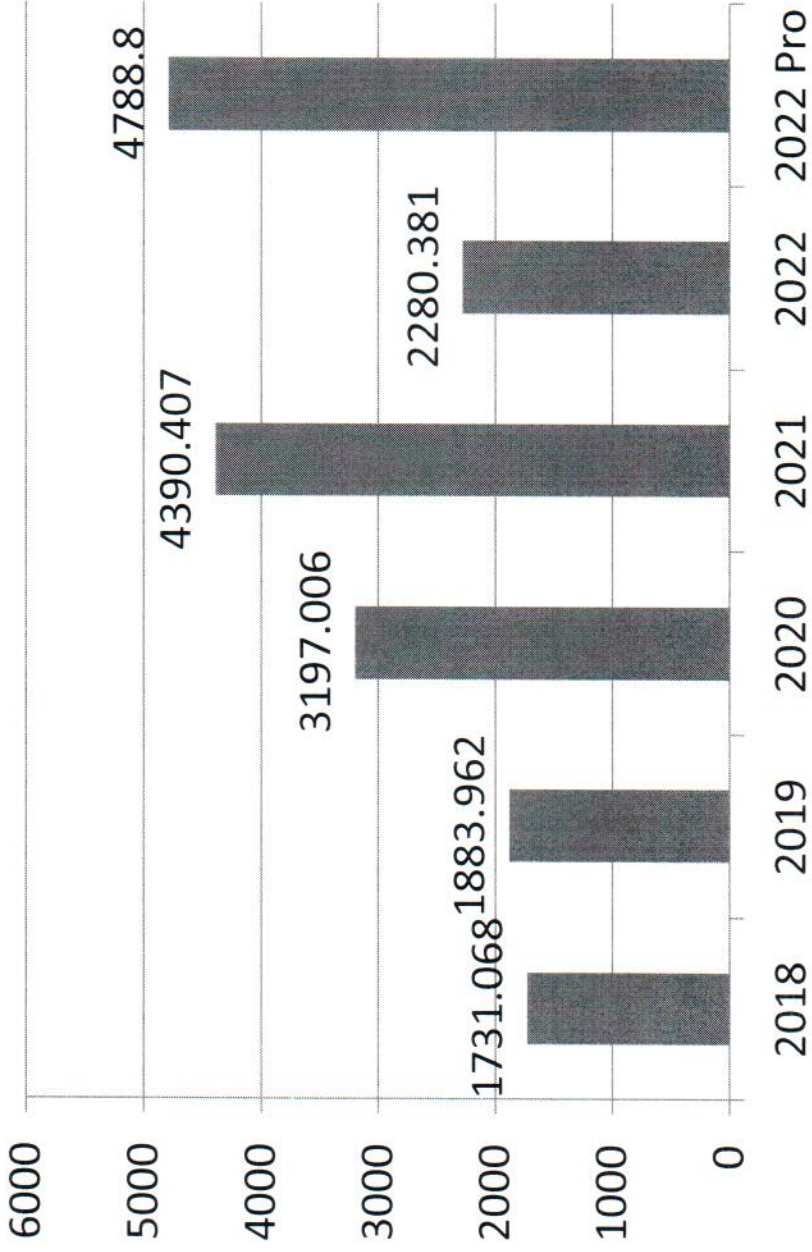


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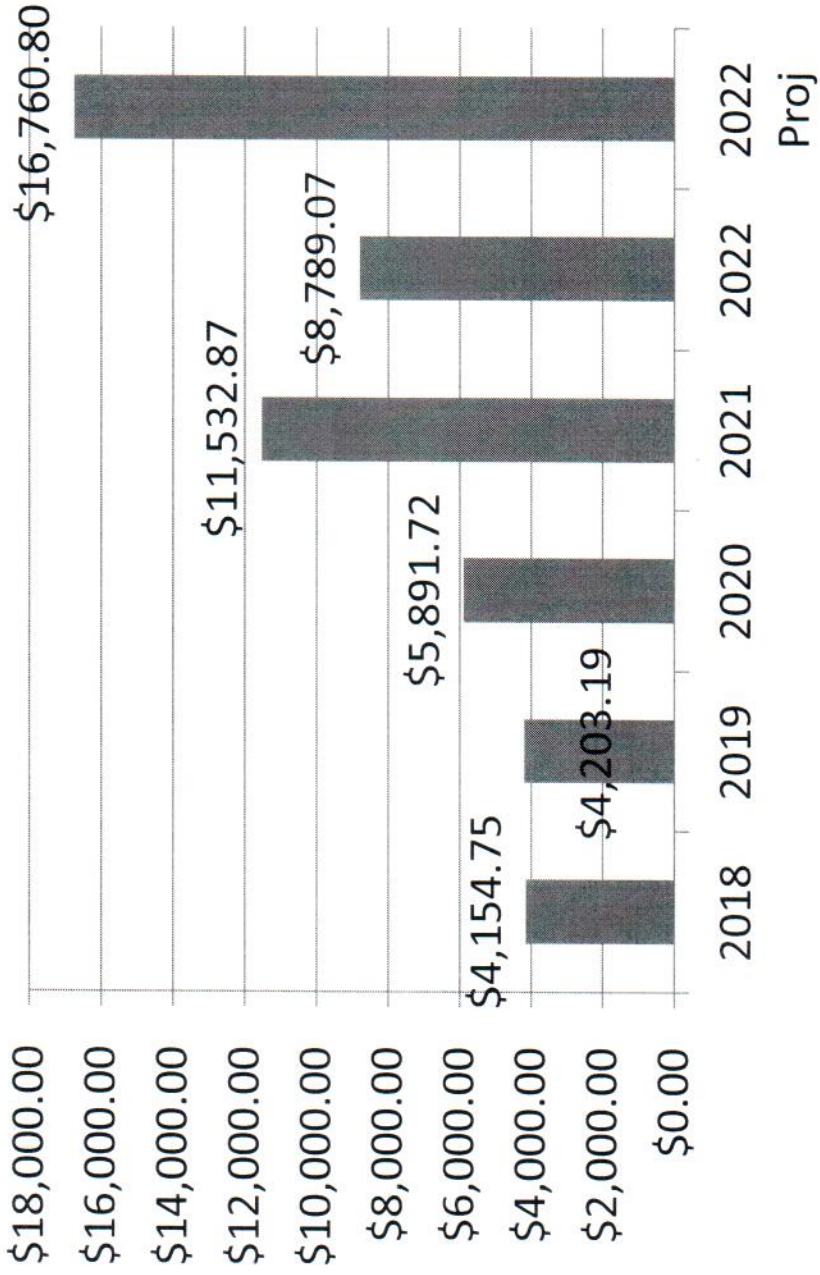




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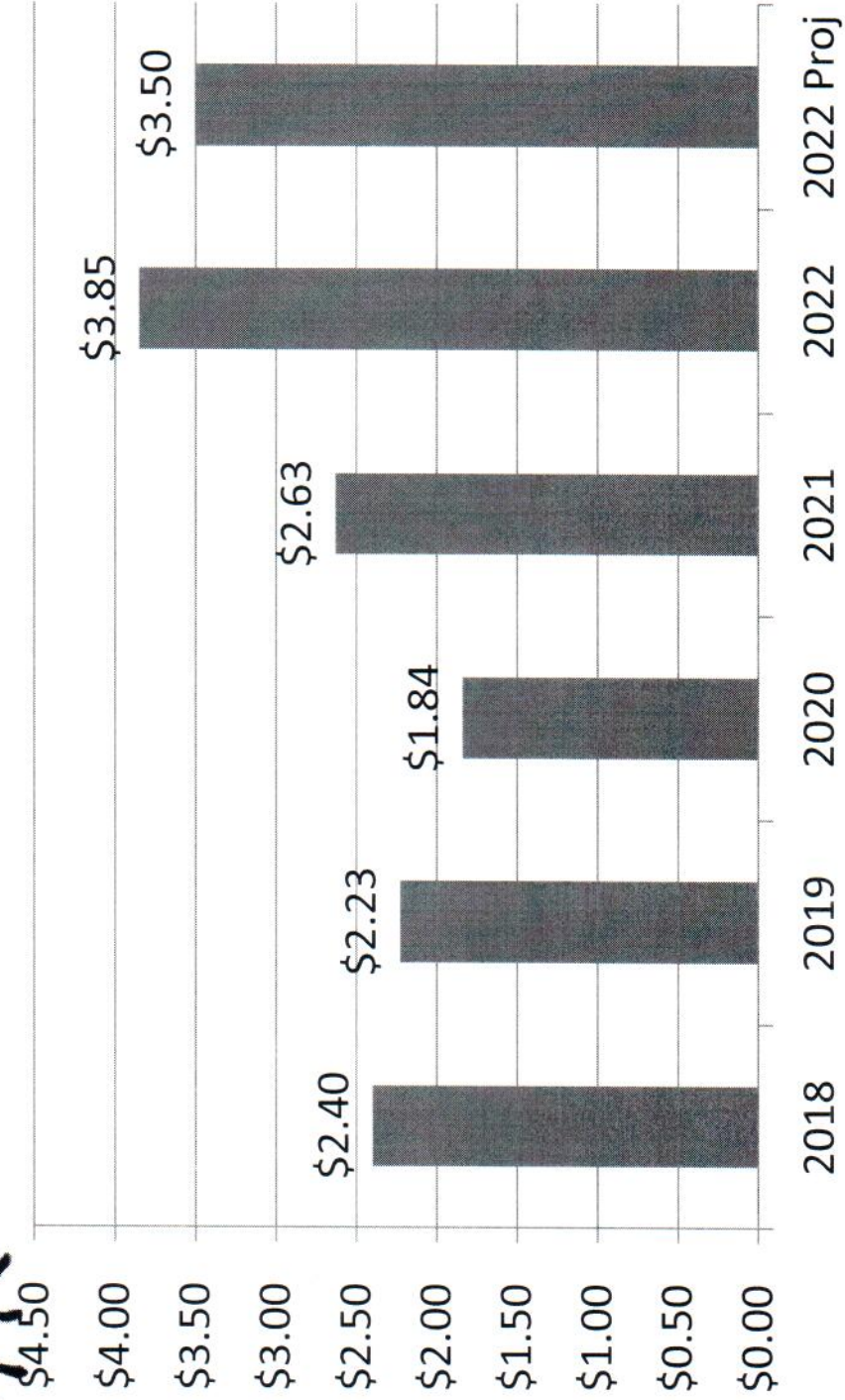
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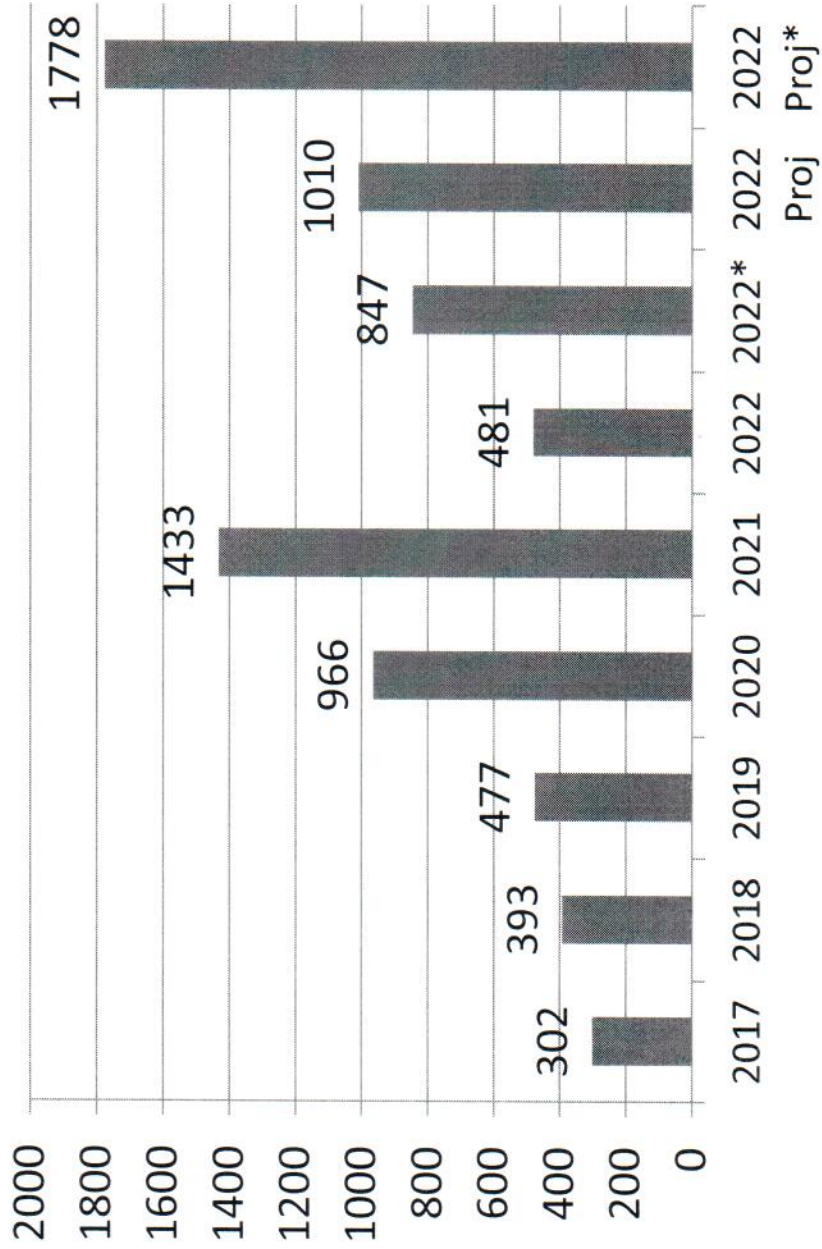


# CALLS FOR SERVICE

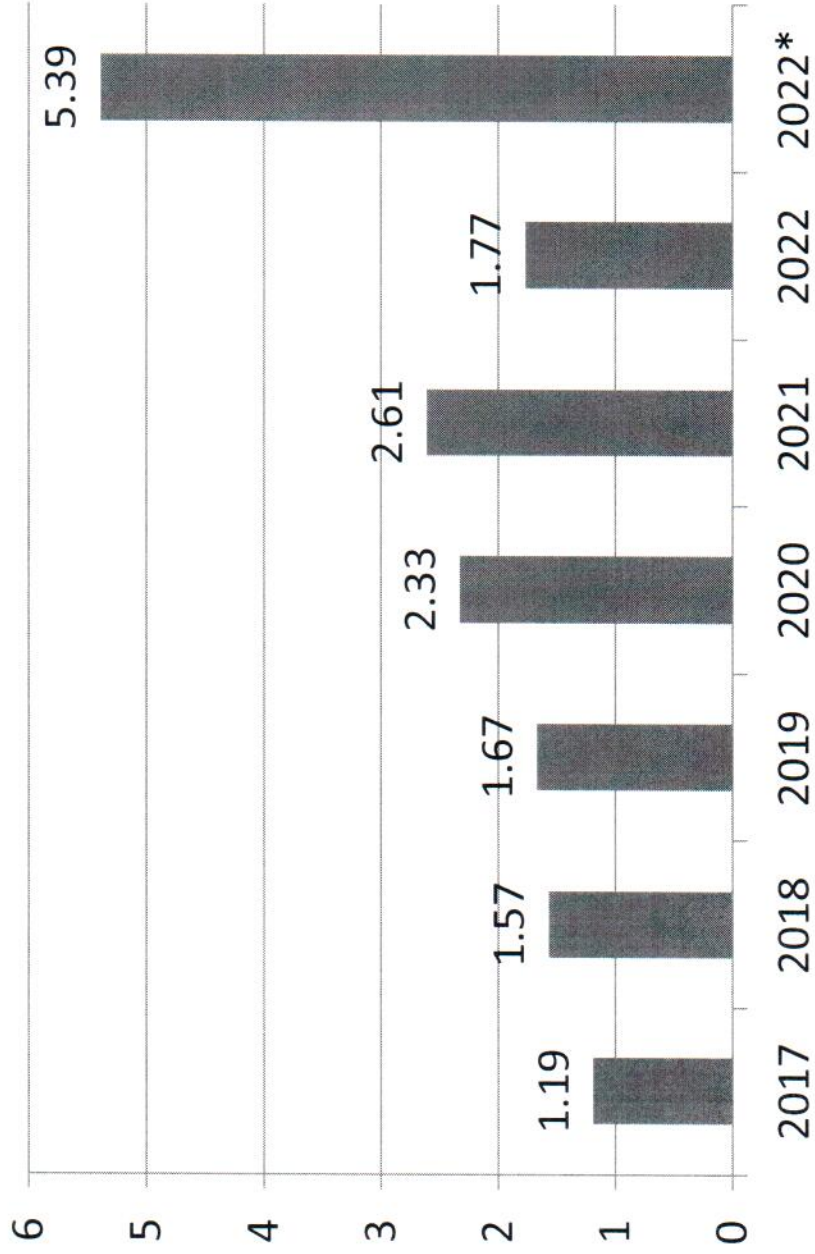




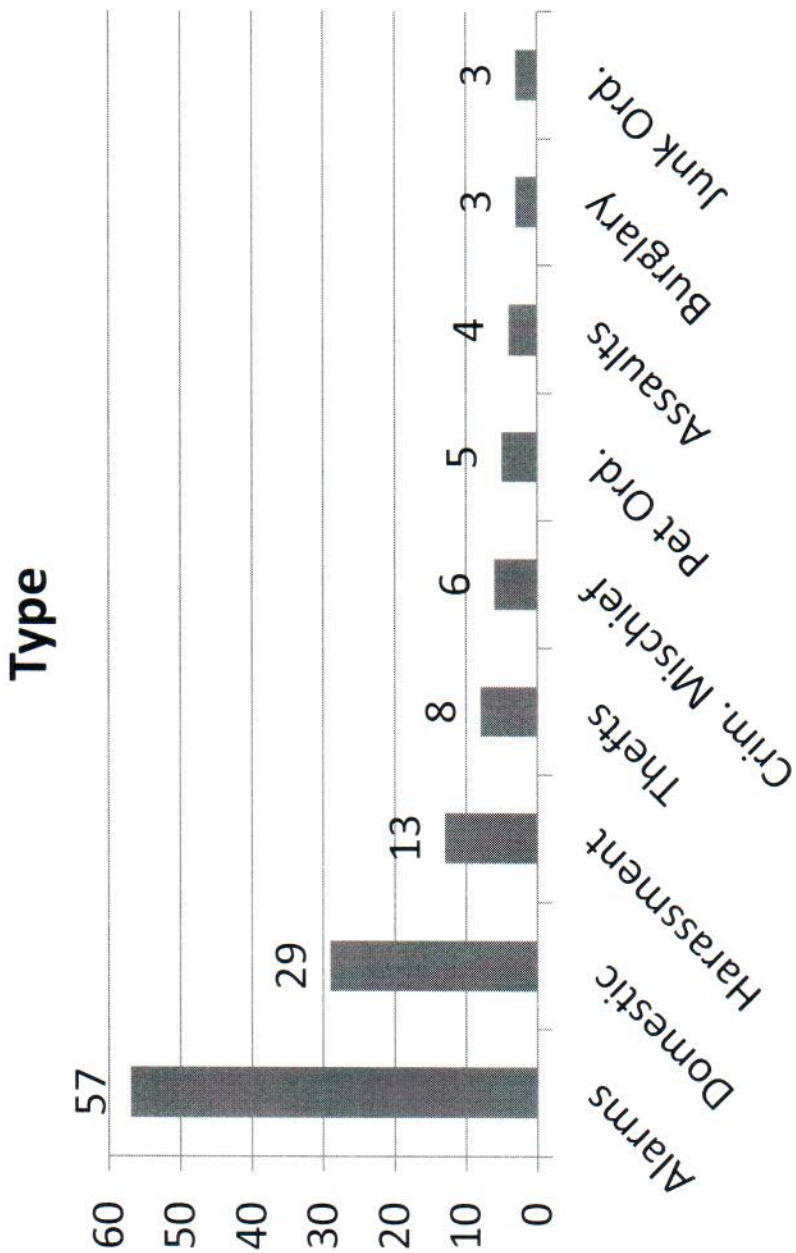
# Calls For Service



# Calls / Shift Average



# What are we responding to?



Triana Police Department responded to 46 calls for fireworks over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Weekend.

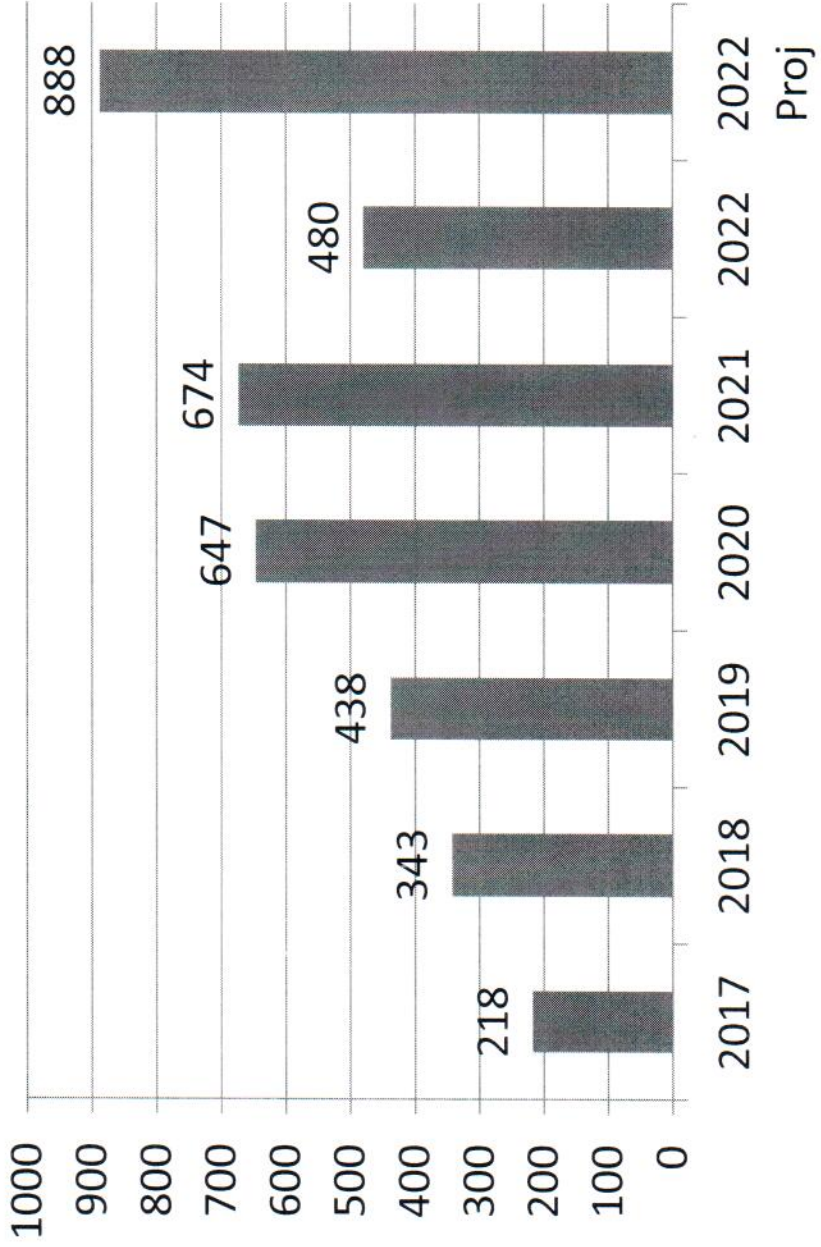


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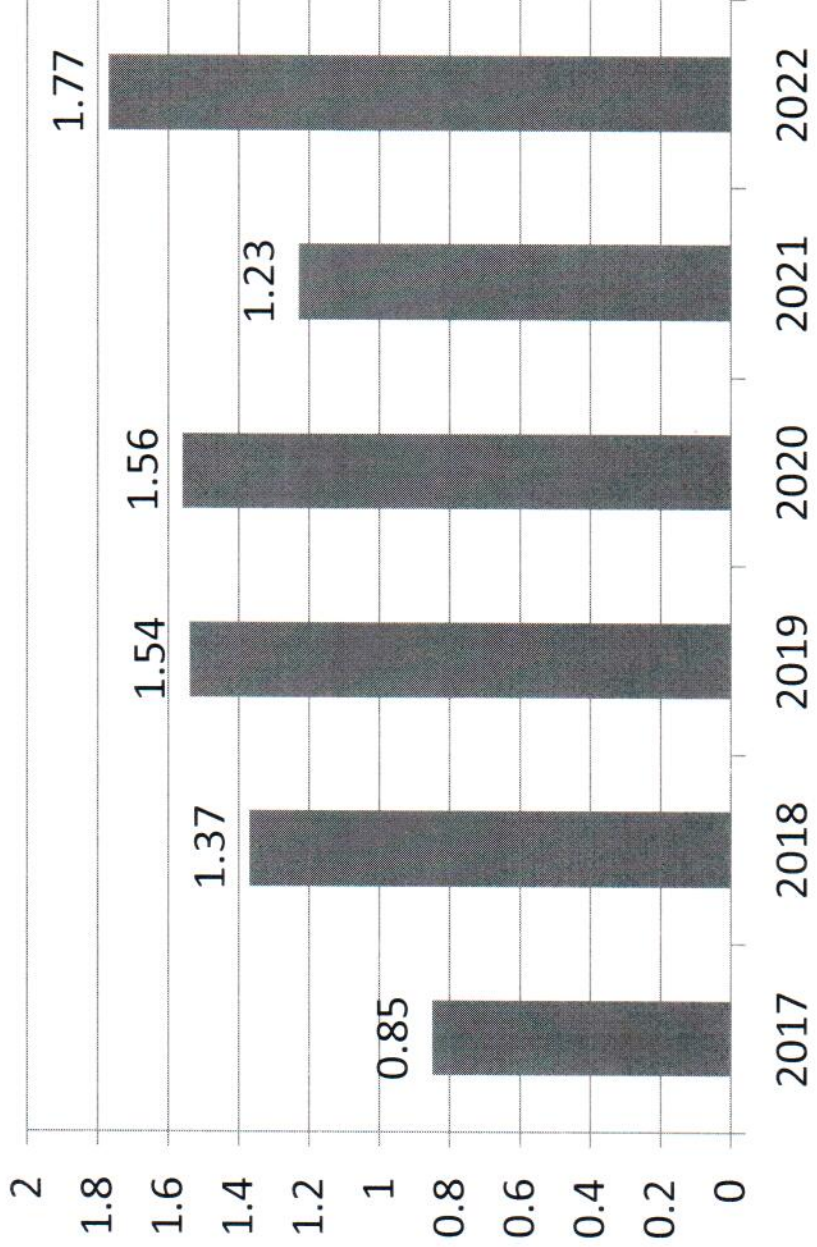




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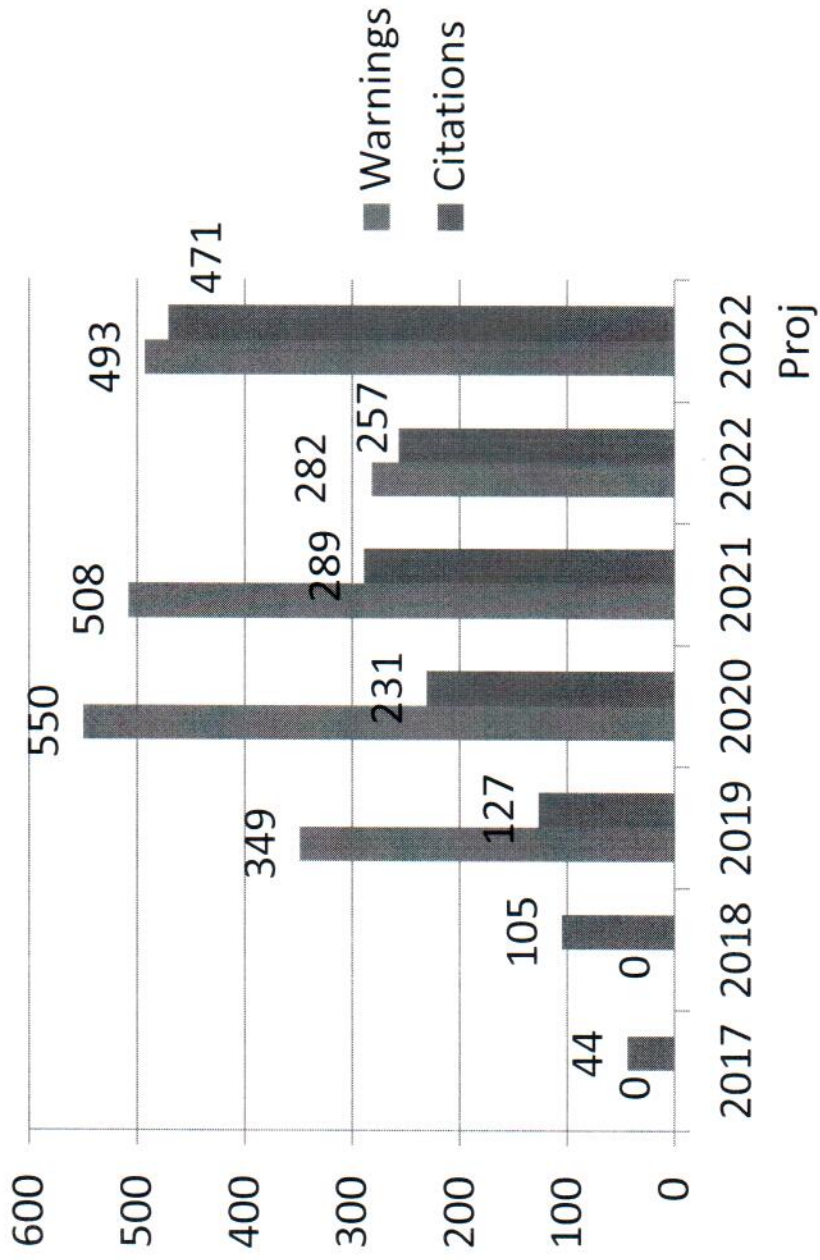


# Traffic Stops / Shift

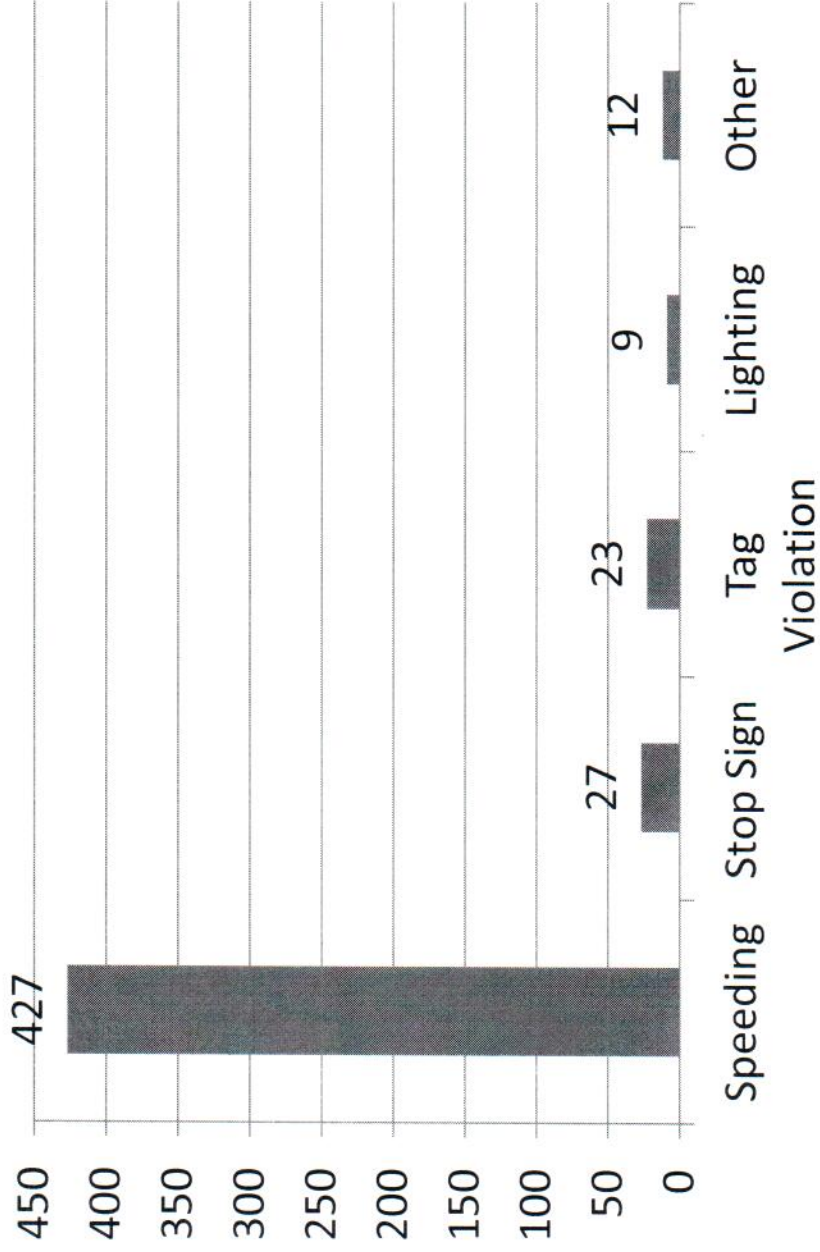




# Citations /Warnings Issued



# What are we stopping people for?



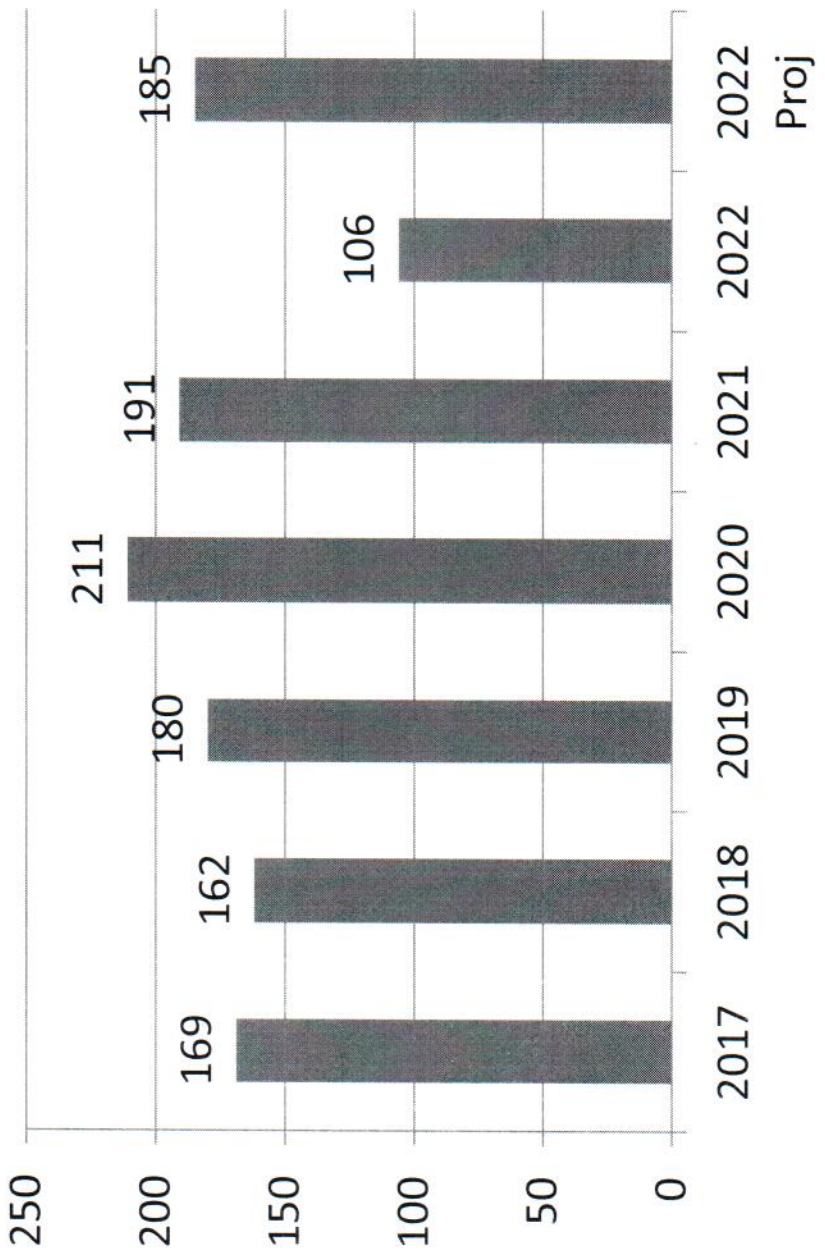


# Reports

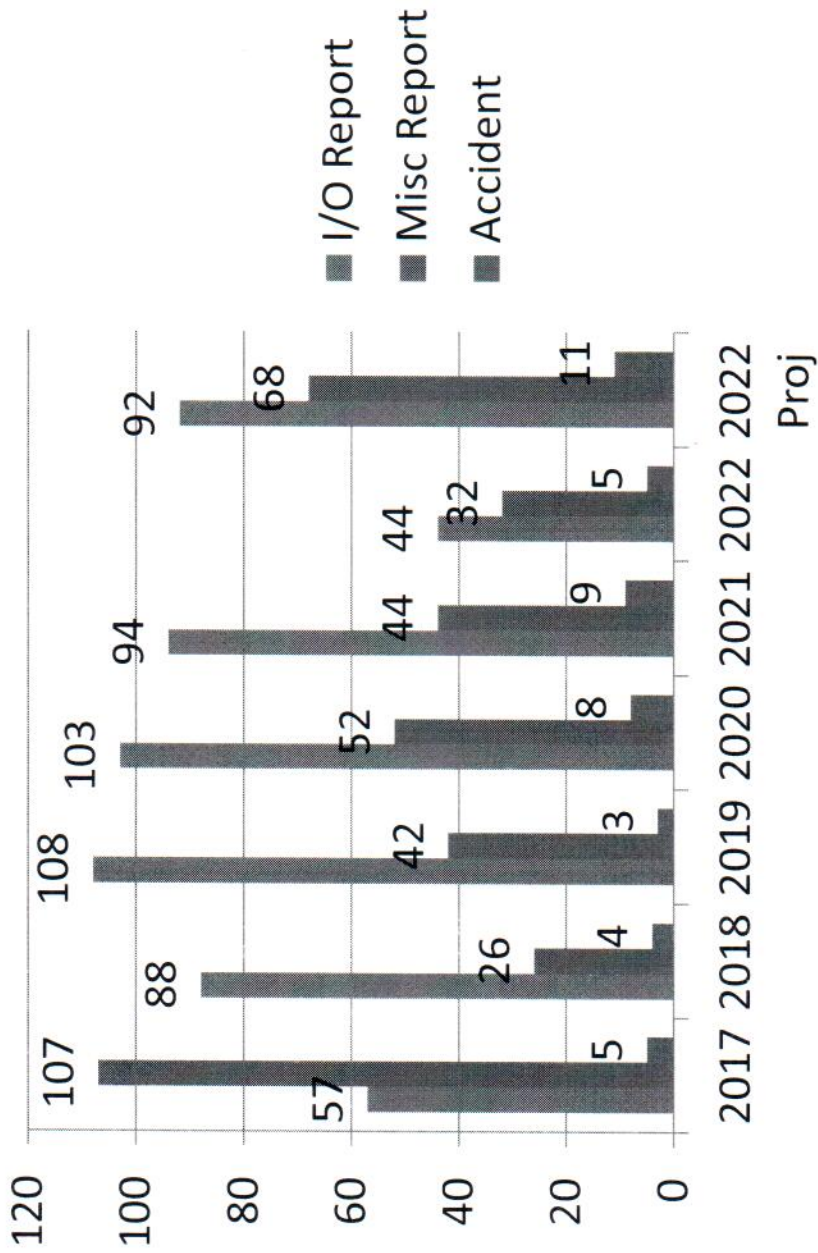




# Total Reports



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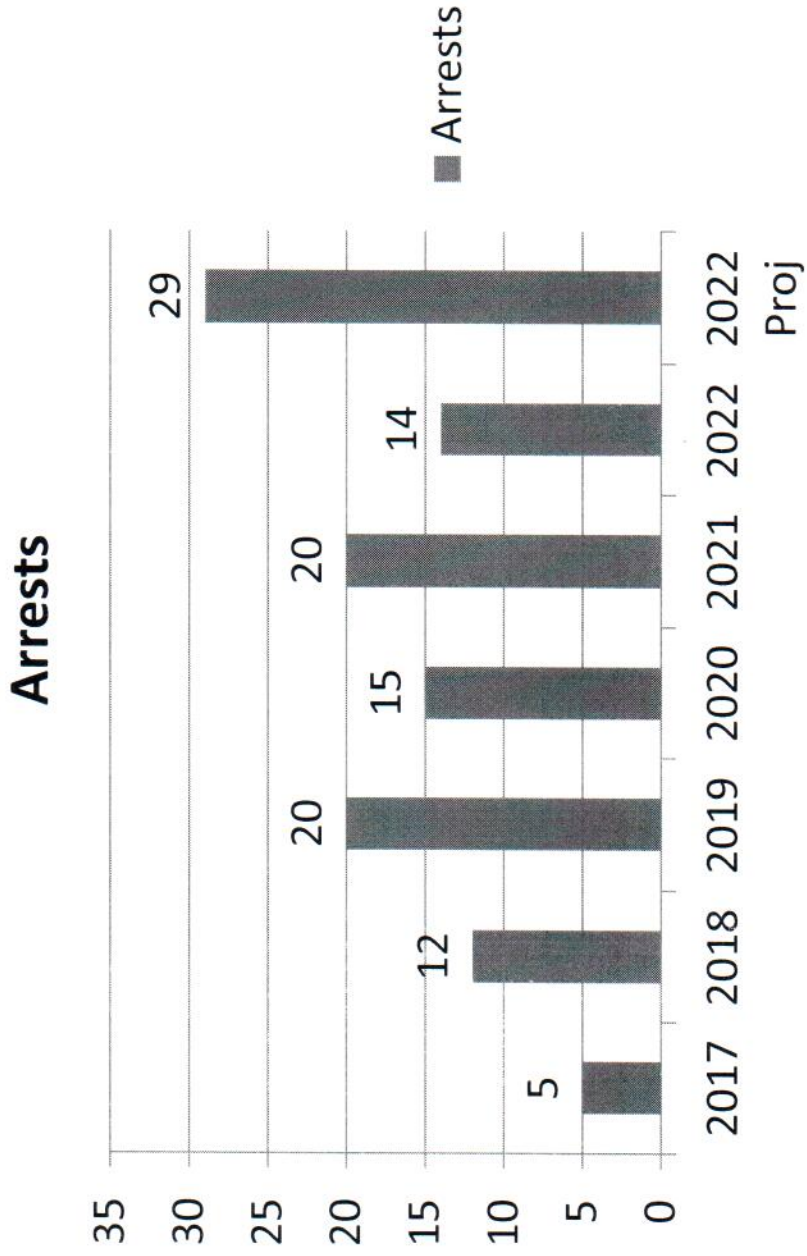


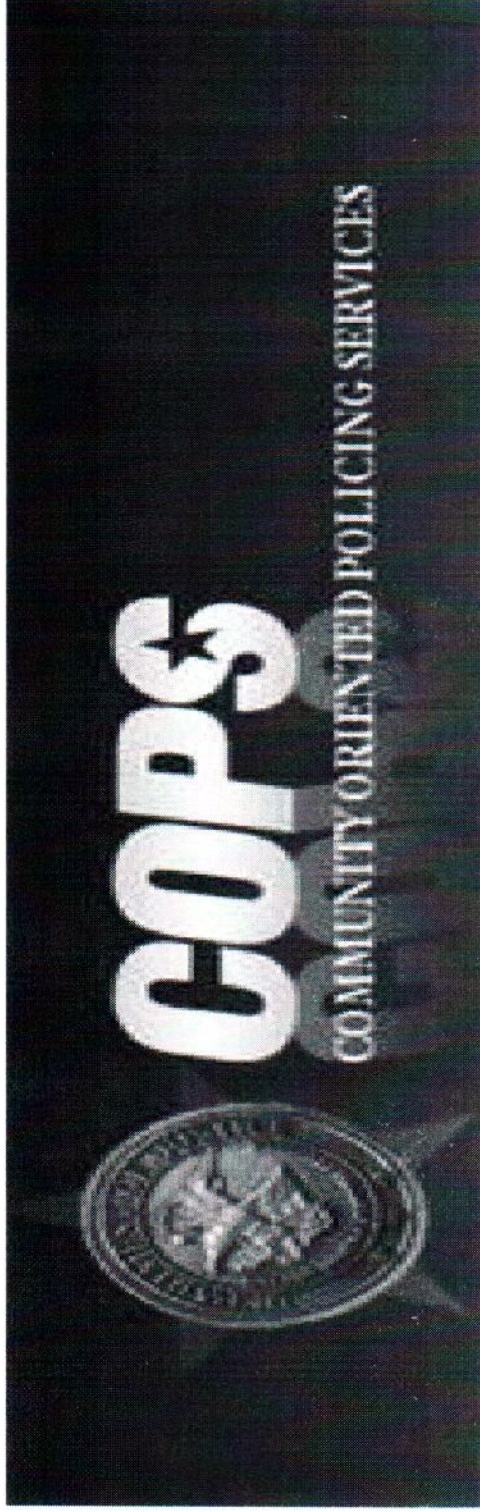
# ARRESTS





# Total Arrests / Year





The Triana Police Department has submitted (Thanks Sharon & Mayor Caudle for your assistance) an application for funding to hire Three (3) full-time Police Officers. Total projected cost of the grant is \$438,609.60 over three years. The program (if approved) will cover \$328,957.20 and Triana's share would be \$109,652.40 over three years.