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RED BLUFF POLICE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT





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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

As I pause and reflect on the past year, it is gratifying to think about all we have accomplished. While 2020 was an unusual and challenging year, it was also a year in which the dedicated men and women of our Department once again shined. On behalf of the members of the Red Bluff Police Department, I am pleased to present our 2020 annual report. In addition to offering a glimpse into some of the fine work performed by Department personnel, this report provides an overview of Police Department activity during 2020. It also includes local crime data and information regarding the various units within the Department.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention "Covid" as it certainly did take a toll on the Police Department in a variety of ways. Many personnel were required to miss work due to exposure or confirmed infection which resulted in staffing challenges throughout the Department. Thankfully, none of our members were seriously affected by this virus.

Due to the State mandated shutdowns, calls for service diminished during March and April before rebounding to ordinary levels throughout the remainder of the year. As a result, there was a slight reduction in total incidents (32,633 versus 35,983 in 2019). We also saw reductions in other data points including a 55% reduction in reported vehicle collisions and a 46% reduction in traffic citations issued.

Like the substantial decline in vehicle collisions, most other data points saw significant decreases in 2020. For instance, our total Part 1 Crimes saw a 12% reduction with 1,163 such crimes, the lowest level since 2011. Also noteworthy was the considerable reduction of stolen vehicles. With a total of 80 stolen vehicle reports, this represented a 25% decrease from 2019 and was the first time having less than 100 such reports since 2015 (when there were 99 stolen vehicles).

In addition to the statistical data mentioned above, while reviewing this report you are likely to note a variety of images reflecting our ongoing community involvement and connection. True public safety requires considerable and consistent collaboration between law enforcement and the community we serve. Our hope is through these ongoing efforts we will continue working together to reduce crime and to make Red Bluff a great city to live, to work, and to play.

I want to encourage you to explore the entirety of this report as I believe it will lead you to conclude that we have some of the very finest sworn and civilian staff in law enforcement today; men and women who serve our community with pride and integrity every single day.

Any fact facing us is not as important as our
attitude toward it, for that determines our
success or failure.
- Norman Vincent Peale

OUR MOTTO

Service with integrity

OUR MISSION

We, the members of the Red Bluff Police Department, are committed to being responsive to our community in the delivery of quality services. Recognizing our responsibility to maintain order while affording dignity and respect to every individual, our objective is to improve the quality of life through a community partnership which promotes safe, secure neighborhoods throughout the city.

OUR TEAM VISION

We are committed to integrity, trust, and respect through teamwork and accountability in support of our mission.

OUR VALUES

Integrity: Above reproach. Recognize and maintain the highest ethical standards.

Commitment: Resolve to support the department mission and each other.

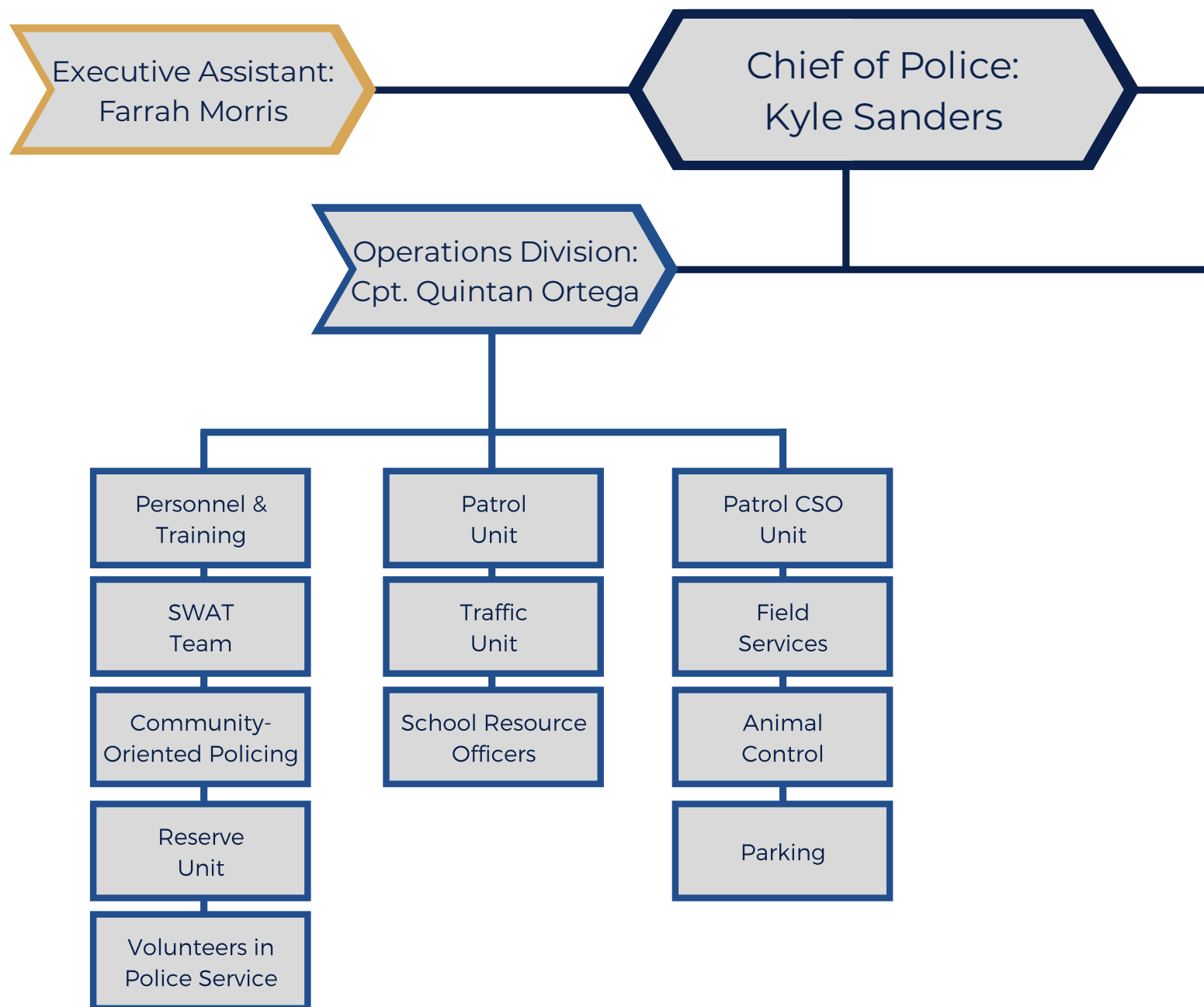
Courage: Having the inner strength to do the right thing in the face of adversity, irrespective of the consequences.

Communication: Honest, respectful, and understood communication delivered in a timely manner.

Loyalty: Always following department philosophy.

Empower: Enabling team members to make decisions, to have input over their work, and openly share suggestions and ideas

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



Professional
Standards

Grants and
Special Programs

Citizen Advisory
Committee

Support/Special
Services:
Lt. Matt Hansen

Manager:
Cindee Spurgeon

Investigations
Unit

Major
Crime

Vehicle
Equipment &
Technology

Support CSO
Unit

Property and
Evidence

Vehicle
Maintenance

Dispatch
Unit

Records
Unit

DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

CRIME	2019	2020	CHANGE
HOMICIDE	1	1	0%
RAPE	26	22	-15%
ROBBERY	14	20	43%
ASSAULT - SIMPLE	409	378	-8%
ASSAULT - AGGRAVATED	92	80	-13%
BURGLARY	205	112	-45%
LARCENY	467	440	-6%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	115	80	-30%
ARSON	22	30	36%
TOTAL	1,321	1,163	-12%

ARRESTS	2019	2020	CHANGE
ADULTS	1,394	1,143	-18%
JUVENILES	140	62	-56%
TOTAL	1,534	1,205	-21%

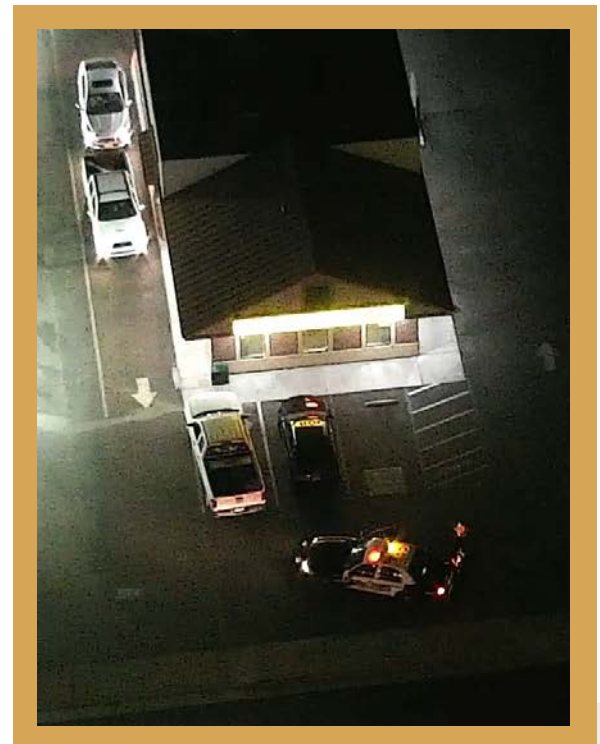
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	2019	2020	CHANGE
CALLS	302	158	-48%
ARRESTS	89	71	-20%

PARKING CITATIONS	2019	2020	CHANGE
REGISTRATION	65	43	-34%
OTHER	32	27	-16%
TOTAL	97	70	-28%

WRITTEN REPORTS	2019	2020	CHANGE
ORIGINAL	3,994	3,348	-16%
SUPPLEMENTAL	2,349	2,432	4%

CITATION/ARRESTS	2019	2020	CHANGE
DUI (DRUNK DRIVING)	143	63	-56%
HIT AND RUN	35	29	-17%
SPEEDING	48	24	-50%
RECKLESS DRIVING	6	2	-67%
STOP SIGN	40	17	-58%
TRAFFIC LIGHT	16	19	19%
FAILURE TO YIELD	21	5	-76%
TURNING MOVEMENT	9	4	-56%
WIRELESS DEVICE	60	15	-75%
MISC. MOVING VIOLATION	7	8	14%
NON-MOVING VIOLATION	0	0	0%
4000(A) VC	156	56	-64%
SAFETY BELT	29	3	90%
LICENSE VIOLATION	66	105	59%
EQUIPMENT VIOLATION	65	20	-69%
BICYCLE VIOLATION	4	8	100%
CHILD SAFETY SEAT	1	1	0%
TOTAL	706	379	-46%
TOTAL TRAFFIC/CRIMINAL	1,602	1,132	-30%

TRAFFIC COLLISIONS	2019	2020	CHANGE
FATAL	1	2	100%
INJURY	69	58	-16%
PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY	285	98	-66%
TOTAL	355	158	-55%





OPERATIONS DIVISION

Captain Quintan Ortega

Policing during 2020, especially during the pandemic, was complex. However, we met the challenge to continue providing service to the community. This year also brought upgrades to the online reporting system, which now allows people to submit and receive reports instantaneously for several types of crimes.

The Operations Division is comprised of Sergeants, Corporals, Officers, and Community Service Officers (CSO) whose primary function is to deliver initial police services to the community. These uniformed personnel provide police response to calls for service as well as the initial response to an emergency 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Other personnel within the Operations Division include two full-time School Resource Officers (SRO) and one traffic officer, when available. The Volunteers in Police Services (VIPS) also fall within the Operations Division. Programs associated with this division not previously mentioned include K-9, COPPS, Field Training, Special Events, Professional Development, SWAT, and G.R.E.A.T.

The Operations Division accounts for most of the department's measurable workload and is the most visible in the community as they are usually the primary contact for persons seeking police services. All personnel within the Operations Division worked persistently throughout 2020 to address a year filled with challenges. These men and women routinely made sacrifices for the betterment of the Department and to improve the quality of life within the City of Red Bluff.

K-9 UNIT

This is the ninth year the Red Bluff Police Department has had dual-purpose K-9 teams. K-9 "Many" has been working with Sergeant Brown since 2011. K-9 "Aries" has been partnered with Sergeant Bowen since late 2019. Both K-9 teams undergo 16 hours of training each month in addition to annual P.O.S.T certifications.

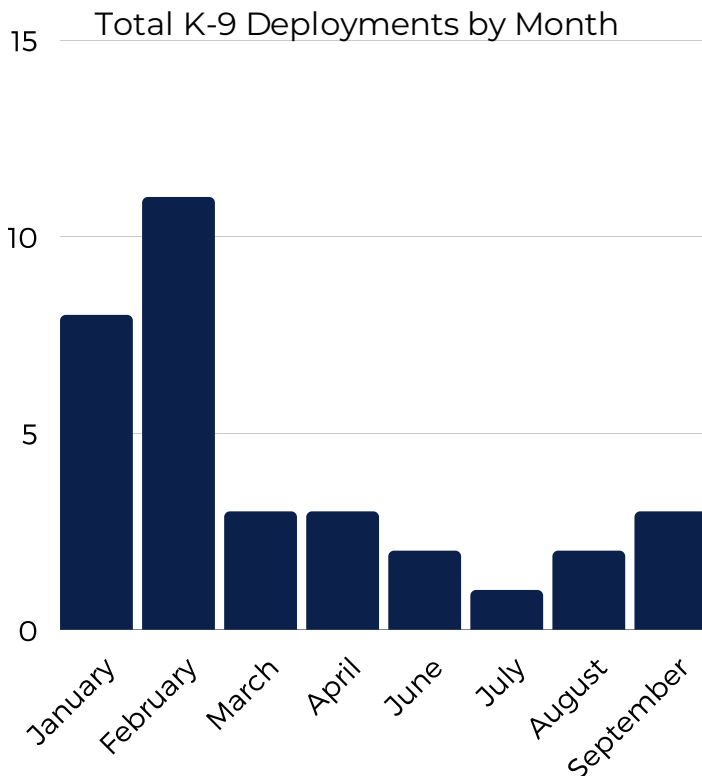
Our K-9 teams are assigned to patrol and assist in a variety of ways. Both K-9s are trained for narcotics detection, apprehension, and evidence searches.



K-9 ARIES



K-9 MANY



K-9 FIND TOTALS	MANY	ARIES	TOTAL
CASH	\$44,550	\$0	\$44,550
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	24 ITEMS	14 ITEMS	38 ITEMS
METHAMPHETAMINE	14 GRAMS	15.5 GRAMS	29.5 GRAMS

VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICE

The Red Bluff Police Department VIPS helped the community in many ways during 2020, donating nearly 600 hours of service. Much of that time was dedicated to cleaning up graffiti around the city. The program was established in 2013. Since then, the volunteers have donated over 9,400 hours of service to the community and department.

Current Roster

Clay Parker, Lead VIP
Lilly Parker
Felicia Gould
Kim Ochoa
Tim Weatherson
Maureen Greer
Polly Poerink
Dan Jackson, Chaplain

VIPS 2019 Achievements

VIPS contributed to the department in a number of key ways. Below is a brief list of just a few things they accomplished in 2020:

- Painting at the police department
- Graffiti clean-up
- Assisting with community Halloween event
- Traffic control for the Christmas Parade
- Assisting with major fires
- Providing support at the RBHS graduation
- Extra patrols at State Theater concerts



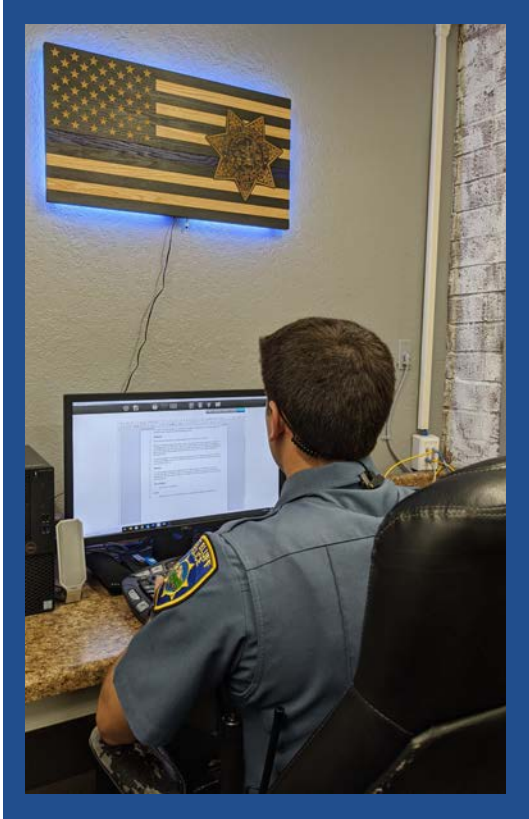
Before



After



COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

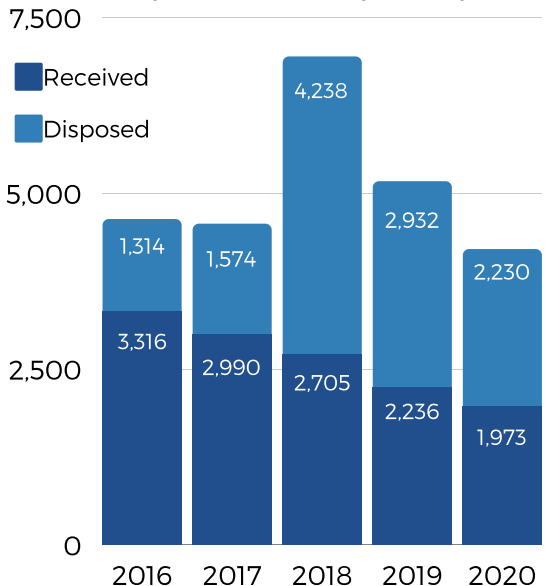


The Community Service Officer (CSO) Unit is committed to supporting the mission of the Red Bluff Police Department. Operationally, the non-sworn CSO unit is divided into two sections: a patrol unit which is overseen by the operations division commander, and a support unit overseen by the support/special services division commander.

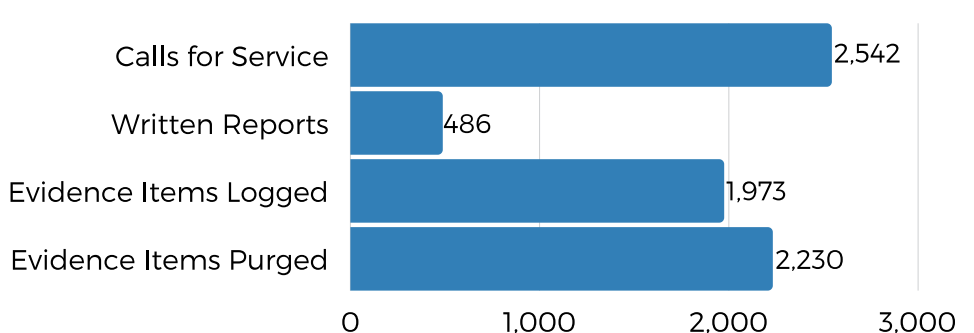
Patrol CSOs are responsible for taking "after-the-fact" reports and incidents where a suspect is not on-scene. Patrol CSOs also respond to minor traffic collisions, conduct their own follow-up investigations, and prepare their own reports. The contributions of the patrol CSO cannot be overstated, as many of the cases and reports they handle would otherwise be assigned to a sworn officer.

Support/Special Services CSOs are tasked with other essential duties necessary to the daily functions of the police department. Some of these duties include animal control, city-wide parking enforcement, and fleet vehicle maintenance. Additionally, one full-time CSO is assigned to the department's Property and Evidence Unit.

5-year Inventory Analysis



CSO Statistics for 2020



SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS/G.R.E.A.T.

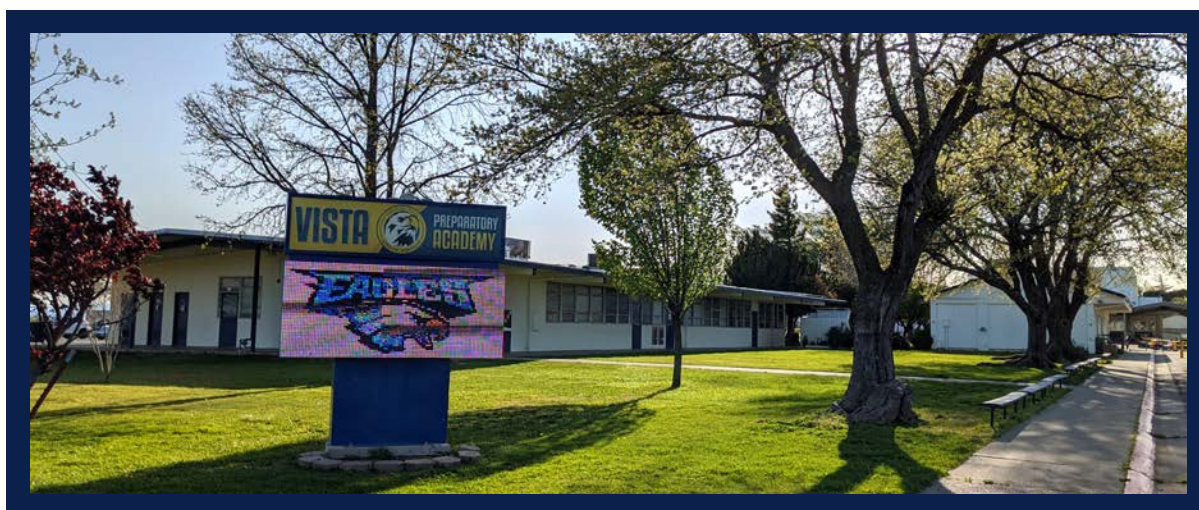
School Resource Officer Matthew Coker works as the G.R.E.A.T. program instructor at Vista Preparatory Academy, which he has done for eight semesters since August 2016. In that time, he has taught more than 840 students. In 2020 alone, more than 210 students participated in the program. Additionally, he also taught one semester of the G.R.E.A.T. program to the fourth grade classes, a total of 60 students, at Jackson Heights School.

Seven of the seventh grade classes from Vista Preparatory Academy participated in G.R.E.A.T during the 2020 school year. Each one also planned, organized, and completed a "Making Vista a Better Place" project. Those projects included positive message t-shirts, a mural of motivation posters, and repainting the basketball courts.

GREAT classes teach students life skills, which include the following:

- Truth about gangs and violence
- How gangs affect their future
- Defining their roles in the community
- Developing and achieving goals
- Decision-making skills
- Refusal and dealing with peer pressure
- Anger management skills

Between January 1 and December 31, 2020, SRO Coker took a total of 40 criminal reports, only 11 of which originated from incidents at Vista Preparatory Academy.



During the 2019-20 school year, Officer Lela Rosas served as the Red Bluff High School District's School Resource Officer. While in that role, Officer Rosas participated in scheduled school events and initiated ways to bridge relationships between the students and staff.

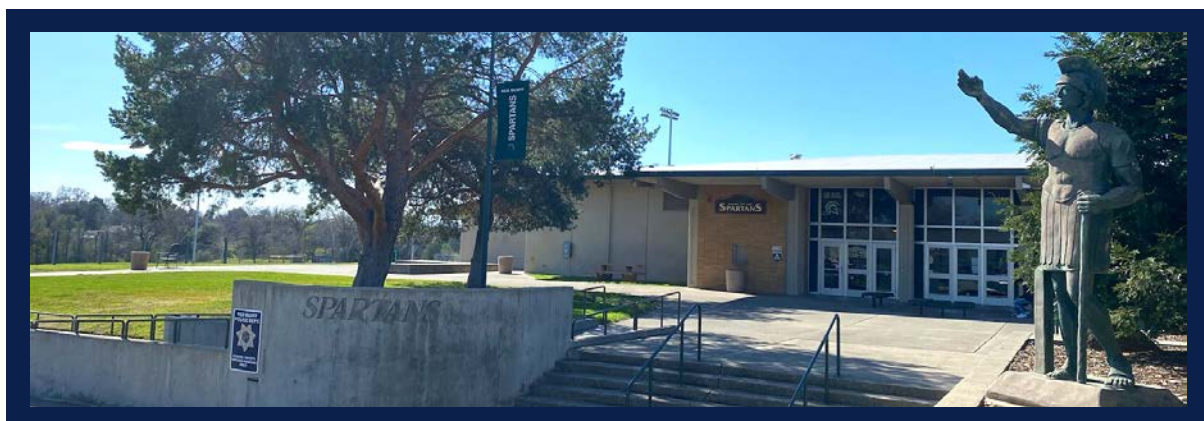
SRO Rosas has worked hand-in-hand with Red Bluff High School staff and Tehama County Juvenile Probation to implement a diversion program offered to many first-time offenders. The program provides education on communication, coping, and problem-solving skills.

Over the last year, SRO Rosas has also worked with Empower Tehama to provide parents and guardians with information regarding the indicators and prevention for human trafficking among the youth.

Additionally, she and SRO Coker joined efforts with the Corning and Los Molinos SROs to combat tobacco sales to minors. During the joint operation, multiple individuals were identified and cited for selling tobacco to a minor.

SRO Rosas is also a member of the Red Bluff High's *School Safety Team* and *Threat Assessment Team*. These teams address safety concerns on the school campus and with students.

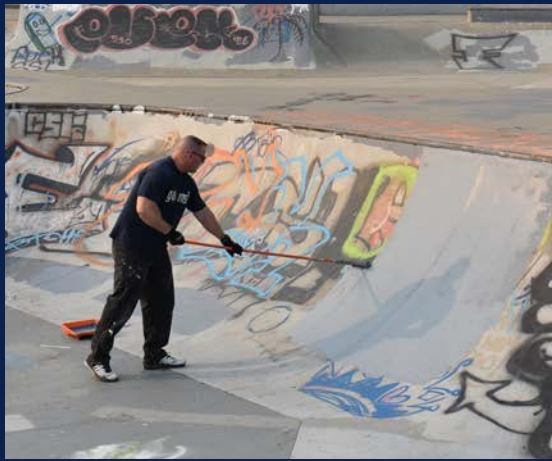
While performing her duties at the Red Bluff High School, SRO Rosas has also been successful in building positive relationships with varying students. Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, she has also conducted numerous home visits for students within the district.





COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND SPECIAL EVENTS





NEW ASSIGNMENTS, HIRES, AND DEPARTURES

Sergeant Bill Williams Resigned, February
 Officer James Talley Resigned, June
 CSO Nigel Mist Resigned, June
 Corporal Michael Graham Retired, October

Sergeant Kevin Bowen Promoted, July
 Dispatcher Brittany Bickley Reserve, October

Officer Hunter Davidson Hired, June
 Officer Marissa Woodward Hired, August
 CSO Cameron Ortega Hired, August
 Officer Camron Zerbel Hired, October
 Reserve Dispatcher Joyce Jackson Hired, November
 CSO Julie Zeeb Hired, December





SUPPORT AND SPECIAL SERVICES DIVISION

Lieutenant Matt Hansen Investigations

Early in 2020, Red Bluff Police Detective Sgt. Williams left for the Yuba City Police Department and another detective was placed on an extended medical leave of absence for a work-related injury. This reduced the staffing level of the unit by approximately 65 percent. The unit is currently staffed by Lt. Hansen, Det. Baxter, and Reserve Det. Rich Davidson on a part-time basis.

Despite the reduced staffing, the Detective Unit still investigated 135 cases. Some of the less serious cases were investigated by senior police officers and School Resource Officers. This year's case load included:

- 44 Missing persons/runaways
- 17 Child sex crimes
- 13 Adult sex crimes
- 6 Arsons
- 6 Child pornography
- 5 Child abuse
- 5 Assaults with a deadly weapon
- 2 Kidnappings
- 2 Attempted homicides
- 1 Homicide
- 1 Parental child abduction

Some notable cases in 2020 include:

20-192: Dana Brown and Kyle Grinnell were arrested and charged for attempted murder after beating and stabbing two men during a fight in an open-space area near Reeds Creek.

20-1047: Gregory Tamagni was arrested and charged for an assault with a deadly weapon after pulling a knife during a fight in City Park and cutting the victim.

20-1935: Elfego Chavez was arrested for murder after shooting a man in front of FoodMaxx

20-1817: A fire near Vista Ridge Apartments consumed several acres of wildland and burned down a commercial building containing classic cars, causing more than one million dollars in damage. A juvenile was identified as starting the fire by throwing a sparkler into the dry grass.

20-2308: Christopher Wiessner was arrested for possession of child pornography and child molestation after detectives identified the victim who was among the images Wiessner uploaded to the Internet.

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

The Red Bluff Police Department's Communications Center consists of six dispatchers, two reserve dispatchers, and a Manager. The center is staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year. There are usually one or two dispatchers on duty at any time.



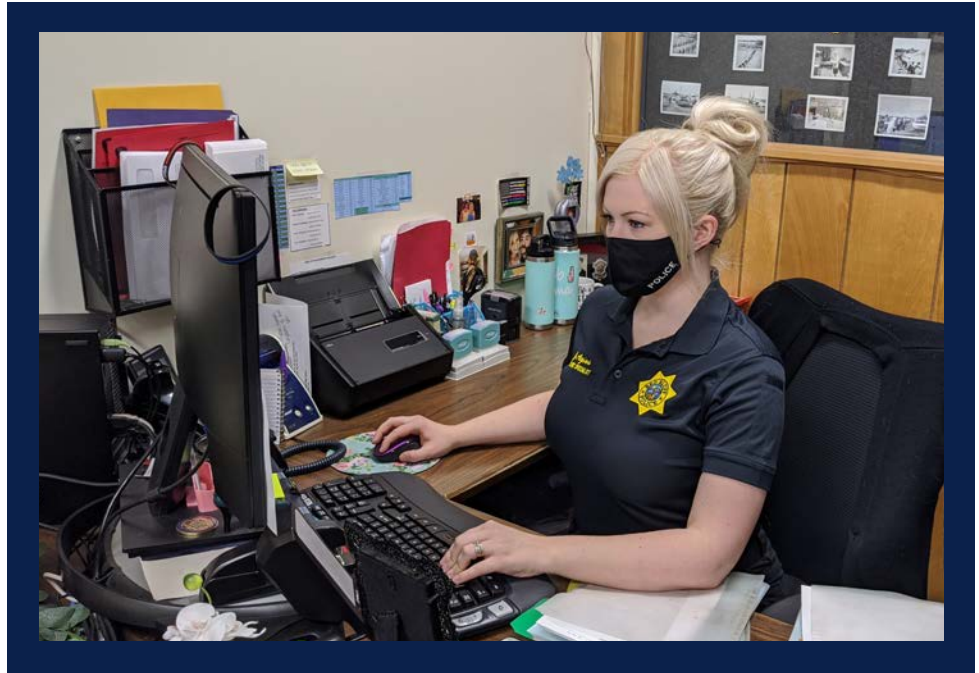
CALLS BY TYPE	2019	2020
INCOMING	50,309	45,086
OUTGOING	12,733	12,160
TOTAL	63,042	57,246
TOTAL 911 CALLS	11,564	11,213
% OF 911 CALLS ANSWERED IN 0-10 SECONDS	98%	98%

The dispatchers' primary responsibilities include answering emergency and non-emergency phone lines, keeping track of all on-duty personnel, and monitoring the department's primary radio channel and allied agency radio channels.

Dispatchers use a Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system to input calls for service and keep track of all units. They prioritize these calls for service quickly and efficiently, and then dispatch the appropriate units. For these reasons, the Communications Center is considered the hub of the department.

RECORDS SPECIALISTS

The job duties of a Records Specialist at the Red Bluff Police Department are varied. They include being the first line of interaction with the general public in the office, processing paperwork of all arrested persons for submission to the DA or court, reviewing citations and reports for accuracy, preparing and releasing police reports, and answering phone calls and counter inquiries. Under general supervision, records specialists maintain police records and provide information and assistance to department personnel, allied agencies, and the general public.



REGISTRATION TYPE	2019	2020	CHANGE
ARSON	6	7	17%
GANG	0	0	0%
NARCOTIC	26	1	-96%
SEX	282	345	22%
TOTAL	314	361	15%

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL



Chief
Kyle Sanders



Captain
Quintan Ortega



Lieutenant
Matt Hansen



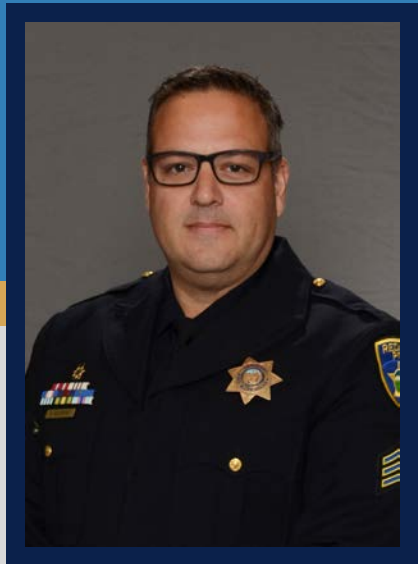
Executive Assistant:
Farrah Morris



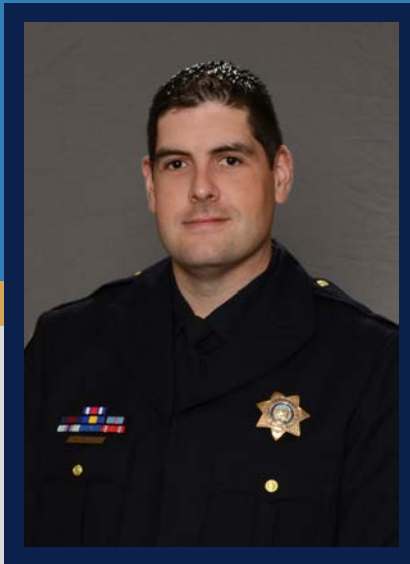
Sergeant
Kevin Busekist



Sergeant
Michael Brown



Sergeant
Aaron Murray



Sergeant
Ruben Murgia



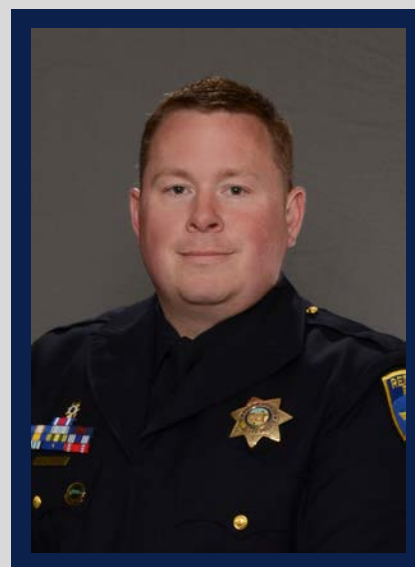
Sergeant
Kevin Bowen



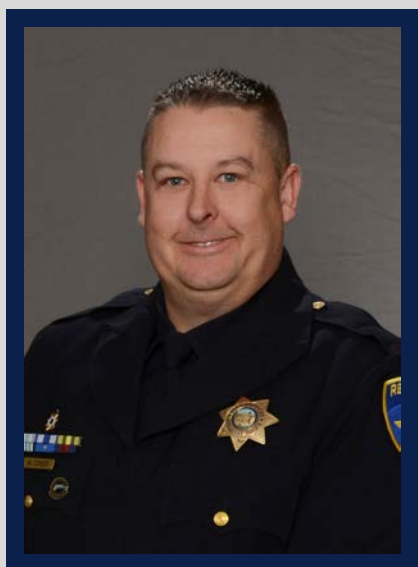
Corporal
Michael Graham



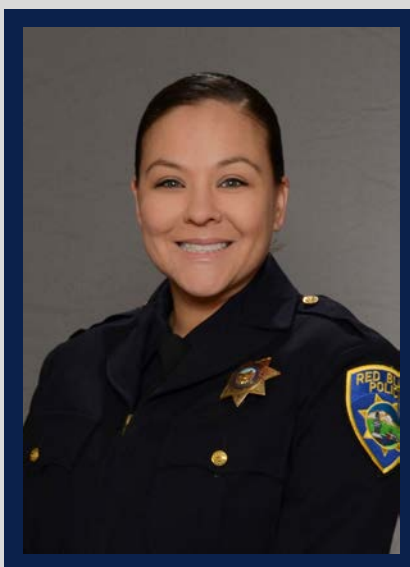
Corporal
Stephen Harper



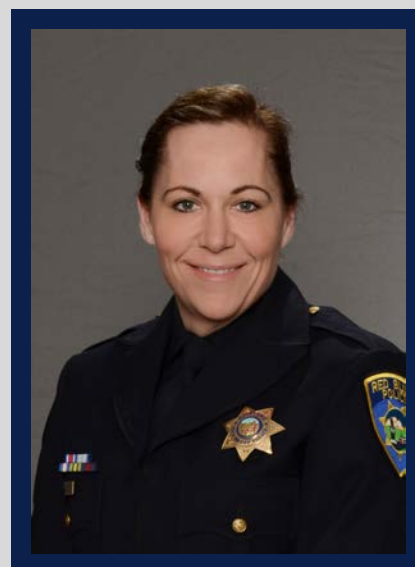
Detective
Sean Baxter



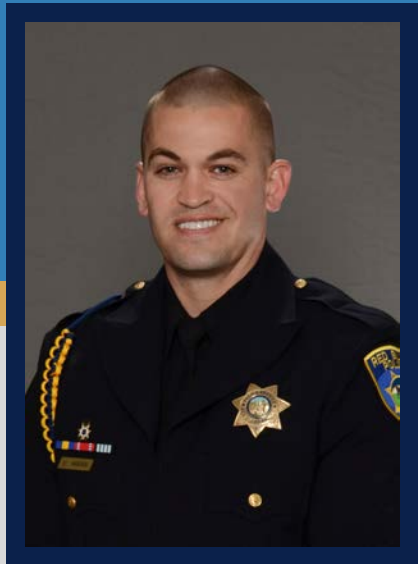
Officer (SRO Vista)
Matthew Coker



Officer (SRO RBHS)
Lela Rosas



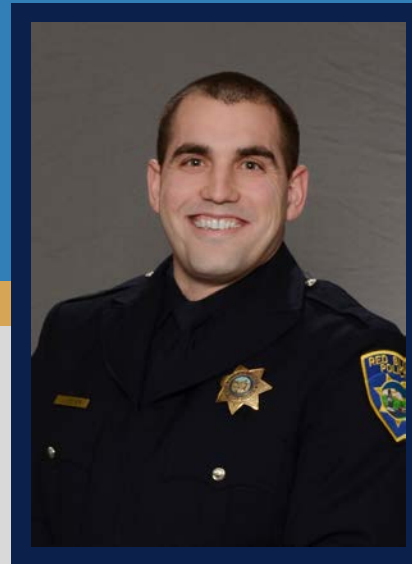
Detective
Heidi Curtis



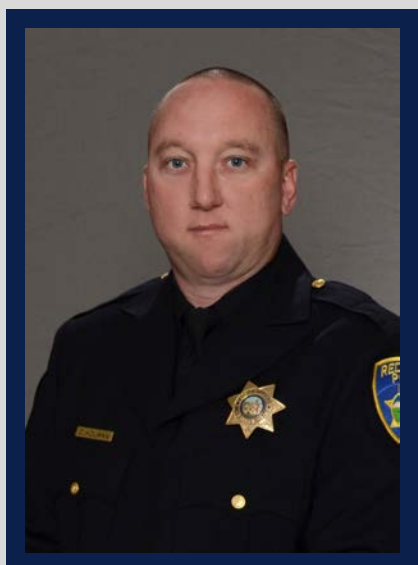
Officer
Matt Haman



Officer
James Talley



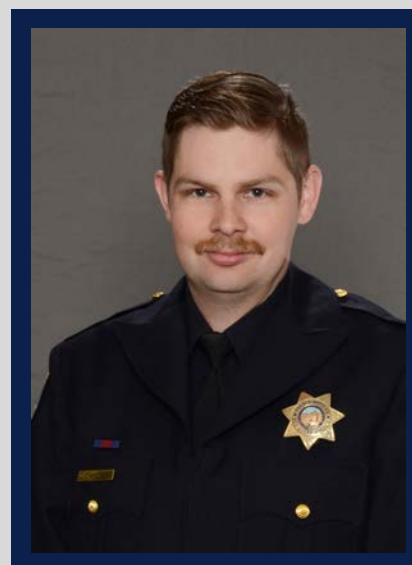
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Jake Dever



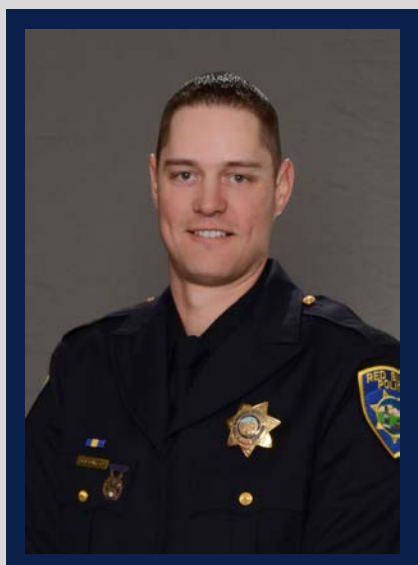
Officer
Darren Holman



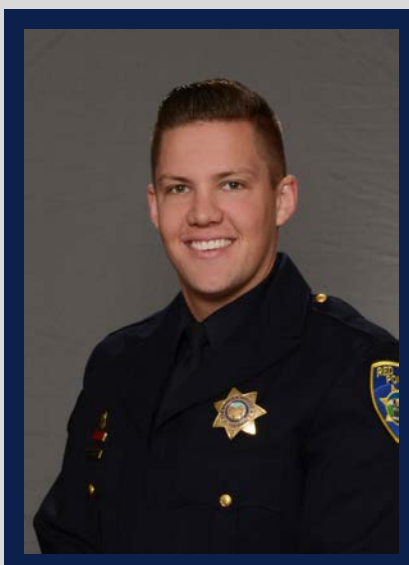
Officer
Jerold Gallegos



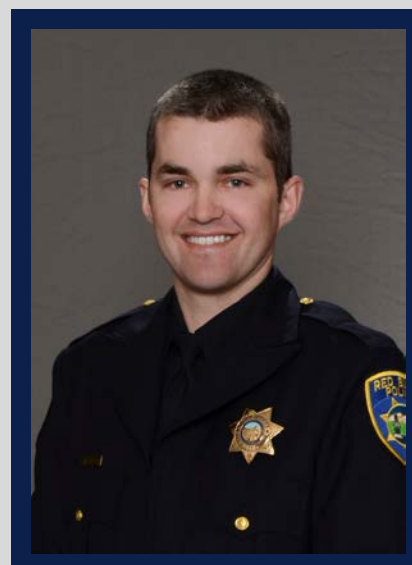
Officer
Colin Dahlberg



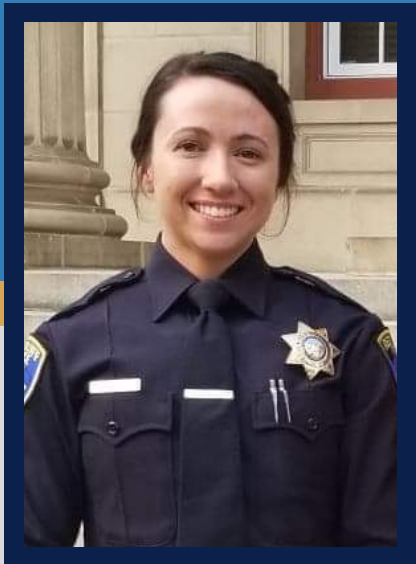
Officer
Nate Benton



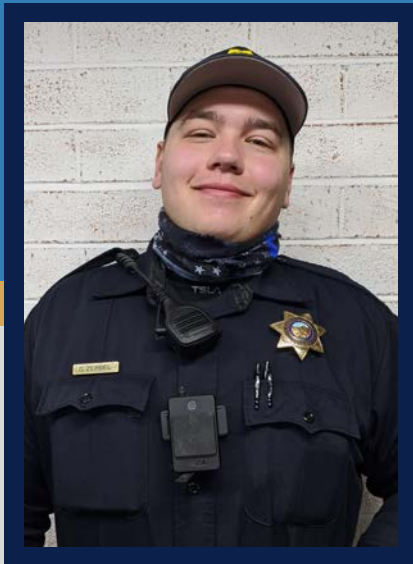
Officer
Ron Johnson



Officer
Charles Lampron



Officer
Marissa Woodward



Officer
Camron Zerbel



Officer
Hunter Davidson



Reserve Officer
Rich Davidson



Reserve Officer
David Greer



CSO
Russ Tyndall



CSO
Riley Garcia



CSO
Nigel Mist



CSO
Abbie Fambrough



CSO
Cameron Ortega



CSO
Julie Zeeb



Records/Dispatch Manager
Cindee Spurgeon



Records Specialist
Jessica Hoehman



Records Specialist
Jessica Agius



Dispatcher
Suzette Erb



Dispatcher
Janee Hoover



Dispatcher
Amber Dulle



Dispatcher
Quenton Mullins



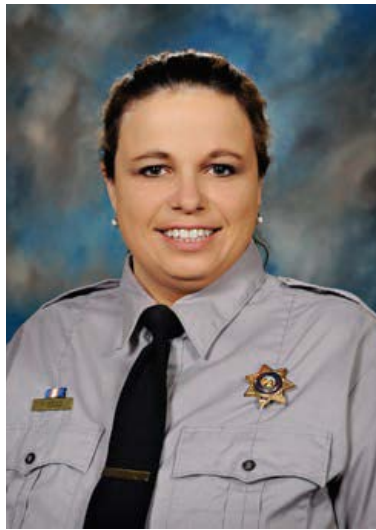
Dispatcher
Stephanie Mangum



Reserve Dispatcher
Brittany Bickley



Reserve Dispatcher
Joyce Jackson



VIP
Felicia Gould



VIP
Kim Ochoa



VIP
Clay Parker



VIP
Polly Poerink



VIP
Tim Weatherson



Chaplain
Dan Jackson

AWARD RECIPIENTS

OFFICER OF THE YEAR SERGEANT MICHAEL BROWN

CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR JESSICA HOEHMAN

VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR CLAY AND LILLY PARKER

LONGEVITY

Dispatcher Suszette Erb	Fifteen Years
SRO Matthew Coker	Ten Years
Dispatcher Brittany Bickley	Five Years
Officer Colin Dahlberg	Five Years
Officer Jake Dever	Five Years
CSO Riley Garcia	Five Years
Corporal Stephen Harper	Five Years
Officer Darren Holman	Five Years
Dispatcher Quenton Mullins	Five Years
SRO Lela Rosas	Five Years

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Sergeant Michael Brown	2nd Award
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UNIT CITATION

Sergeant Michael Brown	2nd Award
Sergeant Kevin Busekist	2nd Award
Officer Colin Dahlberg	1st Award
Officer Jake Dever	1st Award
Corporal Stephen Harper	2nd Award
Dispatcher Stephanie Mangum	1st Award
Sergeant Ruben Murgia	1st Award
Captain Quintan Ortega	3rd Award
SRO Lela Rosas	2nd Award
Officer James Talley	1st Award

MERITORIOUS SERVICE

Sergeant Michael Brown 1st Award
Sergeant Kevin Busekist 1st Award
Officer Colin Dahlberg 1st Award
Corporal Stephen Harper 1st Award
Sergeant Ruben Murgia 1st Award
Captain Quintan Ortega 2nd Award

MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Officer Jake Dever 1st Award

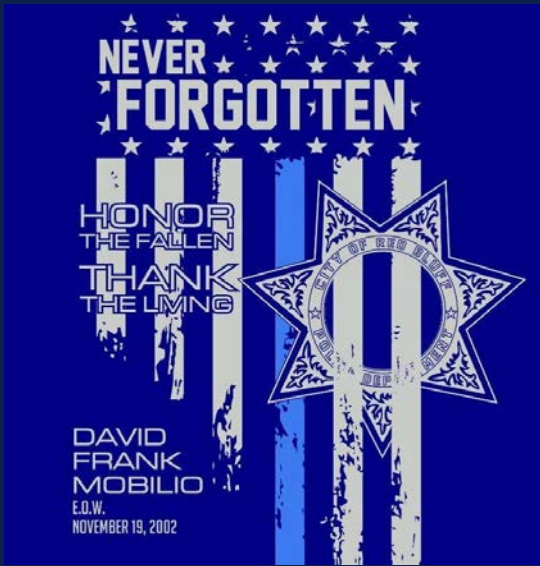
LETTERS OF COMMENDATION

Sergeant Kevin Bowen (two letters)
Officer Colin Dahlberg
Corporal Stephen Harper
CSO Russ Tyndall

GOOD CONDUCT

SRO Matthew Coker 3rd Award
Dispatcher Amber Dulle 2nd Award
Dispatcher Suzette Erb 4th Award
Dispatcher Stephanie Mangum 1st Award
CSO Nigel Mist 1st Award
Executive Assistant Farrah Morris 4th Award
SRO Lela Rosas 1st Award
CSO Russ Tyndall 2nd Award
VIP Maureen Greer 1st Award
VIP Polly Poerink 1st Award

OFFICER DAVID FRANK MOBILIO



**ANY FACT FACING US IS
NOT AS IMPORTANT AS
OUR ATTITUDE
TOWARD IT, FOR THAT
DETERMINES OUR
SUCCESS OR FAILURE.**

NORMAN VINCENT PEALE

