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2019 Internal Affairs Summary Report

During 2019, two internal affairs complaints were lodged by citizens against members of our department. The disposition categories are:

- 1. Sustained The investigation disclosed sufficient evidence to prove the allegation by a preponderance of the evidence.
- 2. Exonerated The alleged incident did occur, but the actions of the officer were justified, legal and proper.
- 3. Not Sustained The investigation failed to disclose sufficient evidence to clearly prove or disprove the allegation.
- 4. Unfounded The alleged incident did not occur.
- 5. Administratively Closed In some cases, the complaint or investigation is closed prior to reaching a disposition. Examples include situations when a complainant voluntarily requests that a complaint be withdrawn, or the subject officer terminates his or her employment prior to disposition of the complaint.

The dispositions of 2019 complaints are as follows:

- 1 Exonerated
- 0 Sustained
- 0 Not Sustained
- 0 Unfounded
- 0 Administratively Closed
- 1 Open Investigations

In addition, during 2019, ten investigations were conducted which stemmed from internal complaints filed within the organization. These internal complaints usually originate from a supervisor detecting deficiencies in an officer's performance, a policy violation or an investigation of a motor vehicle crash involving an officer while on duty operating a department vehicle. The dispositions of these investigations are as follows:

- 0 Exonerated
- 7 Sustained
- 0 Not Sustained
- 0 Unfounded
- 0 Administratively Closed
- 3 Open Investigations

In accordance with reporting requirements outlined in the New Jersey Attorney General Guidelines governing Internal Affairs Policy and Procedures, there were no complaints where a fine or suspension of ten days or more were assessed to a member of the agency in the year 2019.