



COLLEGE STATION POLICE DEPARTMENT INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

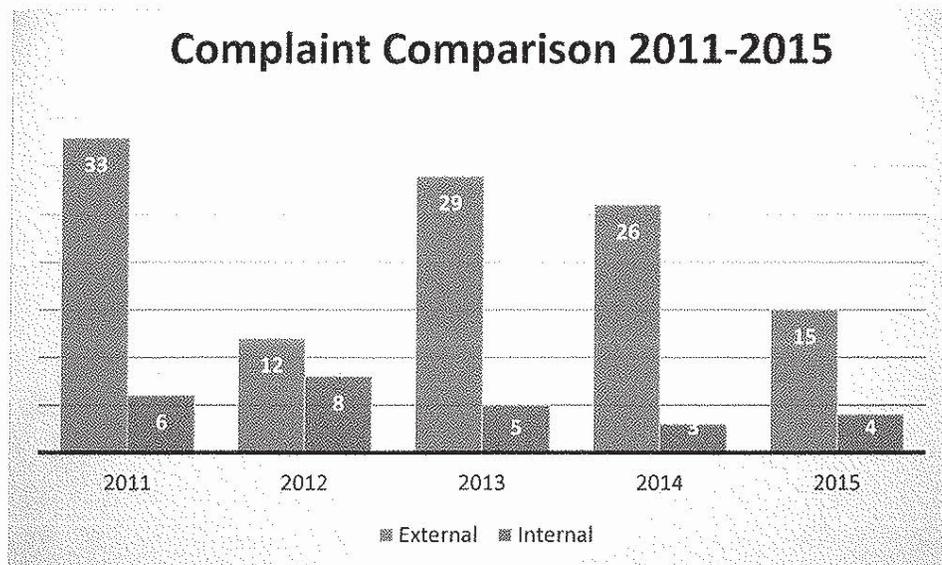
TO: Scott McCollum, Chief of Police
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REF: 2015 Internal Affairs Annual Summary
DATE: March 10, 2016

STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

This document contains a statistical summary of 2015 internal affairs investigations as mandated by Chapter 26 Section 2 (a) (3) of the College Station Police Department Policy.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

In 2015 there were a total of 19 complaints filed with the Internal Affairs Division compared to 29 in 2014. This represents a decrease of 34%.



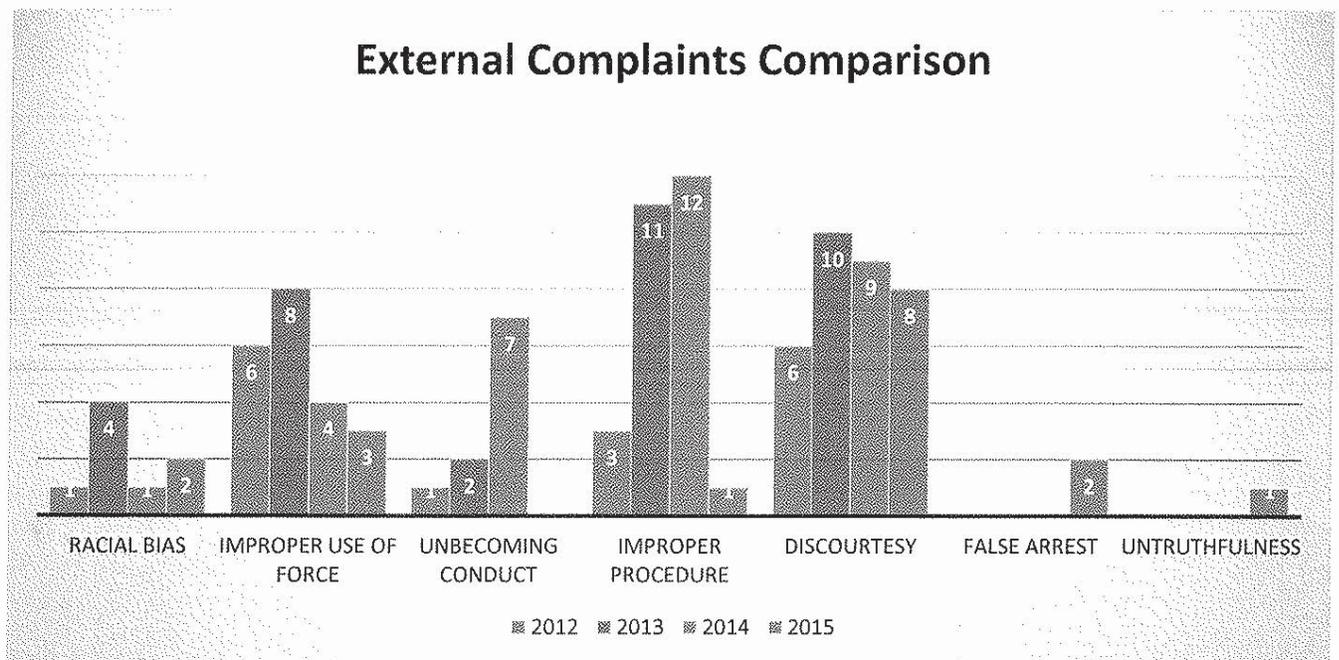
EXTERNAL COMPLAINTS 2015

In 2015, there were a total of 15 complaints with 17 allegations originating from persons outside of the department. This resulted in a 42 % decrease in complaints received when compared to 2014. In comparing the last five years of external complaints the yearly average is 23 which means we received 35 % fewer complaints than the five year average. The numbers we are dealing with are relatively small therefore having 8 fewer external complaints for the year does not amount to statistical significance.

In 2015, there were 8 allegations of discourtesy, which was the leading type of all alleged misconduct (53%). Excessive Force was the second most common external complaint with 3 reported, followed by Discrimination or Racial Bias with 2, and Untruthfulness and Improper Procedure with one each. There were no external complaints sustained in 2015. Nine of the complaints were exonerated while three were not sustained. There were two cases that were closed as No Further Action and one was unfounded.

2015 External Complaints (15 complaints with 17 allegations)						
Class 1	Received	Unfounded	Not Sustained	Sustained	Exonerated	NFA
Racial Bias	2				2	
Improper Use of Force	3	1			1	1
Untruthfulness	1				1	
False Arrest	2	1			1	
Class II	Received	Unfounded	Not Sustained	Sustained	Exonerated	NFA
Improper Procedure	1				1	
Discourtesy	8		3		4	1
Totals	17	2	3	0	10	2

External Complaints Comparison

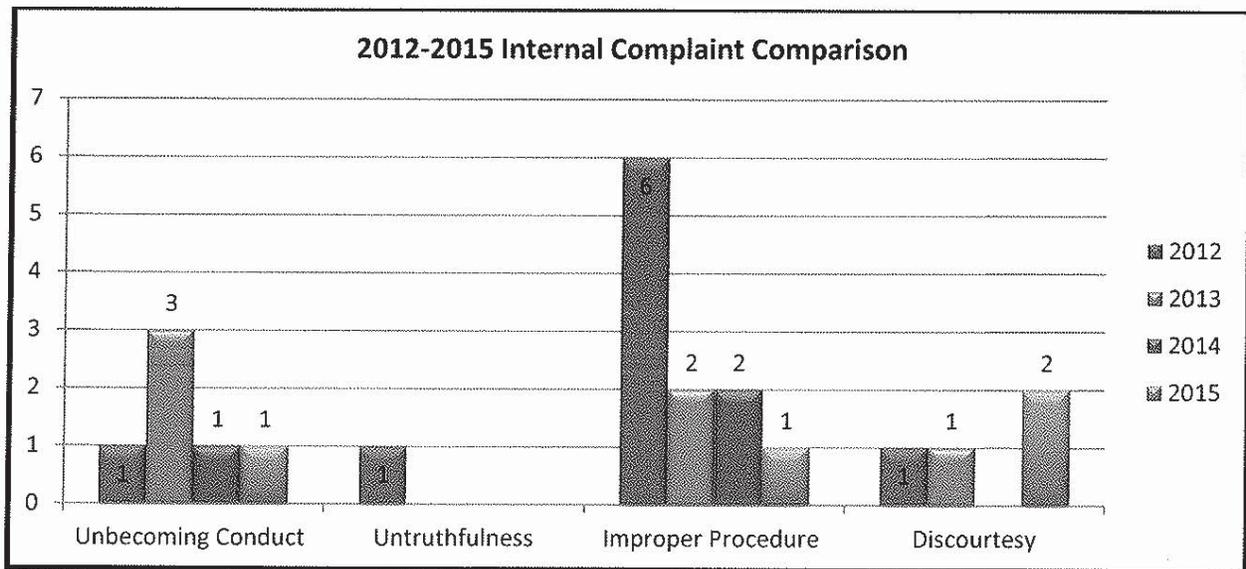


Seventy five percent of the external complaints received involved personnel assigned to Patrol. There was one complaint each for School Resource Officer, Motor, CID and CSTEP.

INTERNAL COMPLAINTS 2015

In 2015 there were a total of 4 complaints filed by personnel within the department, which is up from 3 filed in 2014. All four of the internal complaints filed were sustained. Two for Human Relations/ discourtesy resulted in written reprimands. One of those was a communications operator and one was a detention officer. One complaint was for improper procedure and also resulted in a written reprimand to a communications operator. The final was unbecoming conduct which resulted in termination for a patrol employee.

2015 Internal Complaints (4 complaints and 4 allegations)							
Class I	Received	Unfounded	Not Involved	Not Sustained	Sustained	Exonerated	Policy Failure
Excessive Force							
Unbecoming Conduct	1				1		
Class II	Received	Unfounded	Not Involved	Not Sustained	Sustained	Exonerated	Policy Failure
Improper Procedure	1				1		
Discourtesy	2				2		
Totals	4	0	0	0	4	0	0



CONCLUSION:

The data shows that complaints are lower this year than the five year average but the low numbers reduce the statistical significance of that drop. Additionally, when compared to the amount of contact employees have with the public (54,302 calls for service; 30,276 self initiated calls, and 25,587 citations) in 2015, the ratio of contact to complaints is extremely low. The data suggest that the Uniformed Patrol Division is more likely to be the subject of an investigation than other members of the department. The Uniformed Patrol Division is however the largest division and has the most interaction with the public, so this occurrence would not be unexpected. In reviewing and compiling the data, I did not observe any patterns that indicated there was a systematic problem.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

I have no recommended changes at this time.