

# CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

## 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

~ 150 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE ~

# CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

## OUR MISSION

To create a safer Chico and to improve quality of life by partnering with our community and providing dedicated service.



## OUR VALUES

Integrity  
Courage  
Respect

## IN MEMORIAM

On February 22, 1938, Chico Police Officer Carleton J. Bruce, age 36, was fatally shot while answering a call for service. Officer Bruce is the only Chico Police Department officer to lose his life in the line of duty.

Officer Carleton Bruce and Officer Tom Jones entered Joe's Tamale Parlor in downtown Chico to investigate an unknown disturbance. A suspect fired at the officers, striking Officer Bruce in the stomach. Officer Bruce was transported to Enloe Hospital where he was attended by several doctors, including Dr. Newton Thomas Enloe himself. Officer Bruce ultimately succumbed to his injuries. A clear motive for the shooting was never established.

The Chico Police Department vowed to never forget Officer Carlton Bruce or his devotion to the department and to the community of Chico. Annually, on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, Chico Police Department Honor Guard, Command Staff, department personnel and members of Officer Bruce's extended family gather at his gravesite to remember this fallen hero.





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# CITY OF CHICO

Chico was founded in 1860 by General John Bidwell and incorporated in 1872. Located in Butte County, California, Chico is the cultural and economic center of the northern Sacramento Valley and the largest city north of Sacramento. Chico is known as a college town, the home of California State University, Chico and for Bidwell Park, one of the largest urban parks in the world.

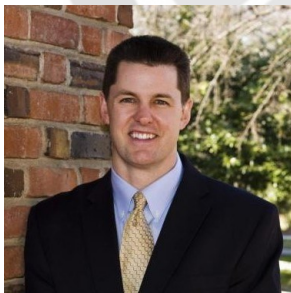
Over the years, the city has grown to encompass over 34 square miles with a population of 107,394 (California State Department of Finance Estimate, January 2023). Chico maintains a special sense of community and small town living, even as it has developed into a vibrant regional center for business and cultural activities.



## CHICO CITY COUNCIL

The City of Chico is a charter city and operates under a Council-Manager form of government whereby the elected City Council sets policy objectives and the City Manager ensures they are carried out and administered effectively.

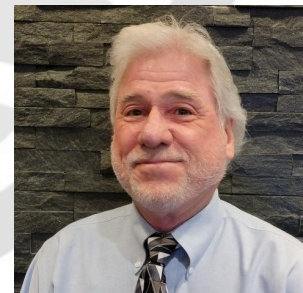
The Chico City Council is composed of seven members representing seven individual districts. Councilmembers are elected to serve staggered four-year terms, with either three or four seats up for each election. The Council itself selects a Mayor and Vice Mayor from among its members to serve two-year terms.



**Sean Morgan**  
District 1



**Kasey Reynolds, Vice Mayor**  
District 2



**Dale Bennett**  
District 3



**Addison Winslow**  
District 4



**Andrew Coolidge, Mayor**  
District 5



**Tom van Overbeek**  
District 6



**Deepika Tandon**  
District 7



# MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF



The Chico Police Department is pleased to present our 2022 annual report. This marks the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the incorporation of the Chico Police Department. We have and continue to provide quality customer service to the community we serve daily.

The Chico Police Department Mission Statement reads, “To create a safer Chico and improve quality of life by partnering with our community and providing dedicated service.” The men and women of the Chico Police Department in every role continue to be devoted to providing service with our core values, integrity, courage, and respect as our guiding principles.

You will find we have instituted several initiatives within your police department, which we feel will provide the community with better customer service, improved safety, and quality training for your police department. We have a completely certified Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) team of pilots which provide advanced technology for improved community and officer safety and de-escalation tactics. You can find our drone flights posted on the department website for full transparency of our operations.

We have partnered with the Butte County Sheriff’s Office in a superagency agreement to implement a new record information management system (RIMS). This now means all agencies in Butte County are on the same computer aided dispatching system and creates emergency dispatching redundancies for improved community safety.

We now have automated license plate readers (ALPR) active within the community. These systems will assist in reducing and recovering stolen vehicles, stolen license plates, and will also notify the police department when a wanted person for crimes or someone listed as a missing/at risk associated to a vehicle is within the community.

I thank you, our community, for your continued support. We work hard to build relationships based on trust as everything we do is predicated on trust and transparency. The annual report provides the community with information about your police department and everything we are doing to make Chico a safe place to live, work, and recreate within. We thank this community for the support you provide for the department!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Billy Aldridge". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Billy Aldridge, Chief of Police

## **About Chief Billy Aldridge**

Chief Billy Aldridge was born and raised in Monroe, NC where he graduated high school before joining the US Air Force and served for nearly eight years. He attended the Yuba College Police Academy in 2001 and began his law enforcement career with the Butte County Sheriff’s Office in September 2001.

In February 2005, Aldridge joined the Chico Police Department. He has worked as a Patrol Officer, Field Training Officer, Crime Scene Investigator, Mobile Field Force Team Member, Use of Force Instructor, and Street Crimes Detective. Aldridge was promoted to Sergeant in December 2009, Lieutenant in April 2015, Captain in March 2020, and Chief of Police in December 2022.

Chief Aldridge holds a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice management and a master’s degree in organizational management with a specialty in human resource management. He holds Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Basic, Intermediate, and Advanced certifications as well as Supervisory and Management level certifications.

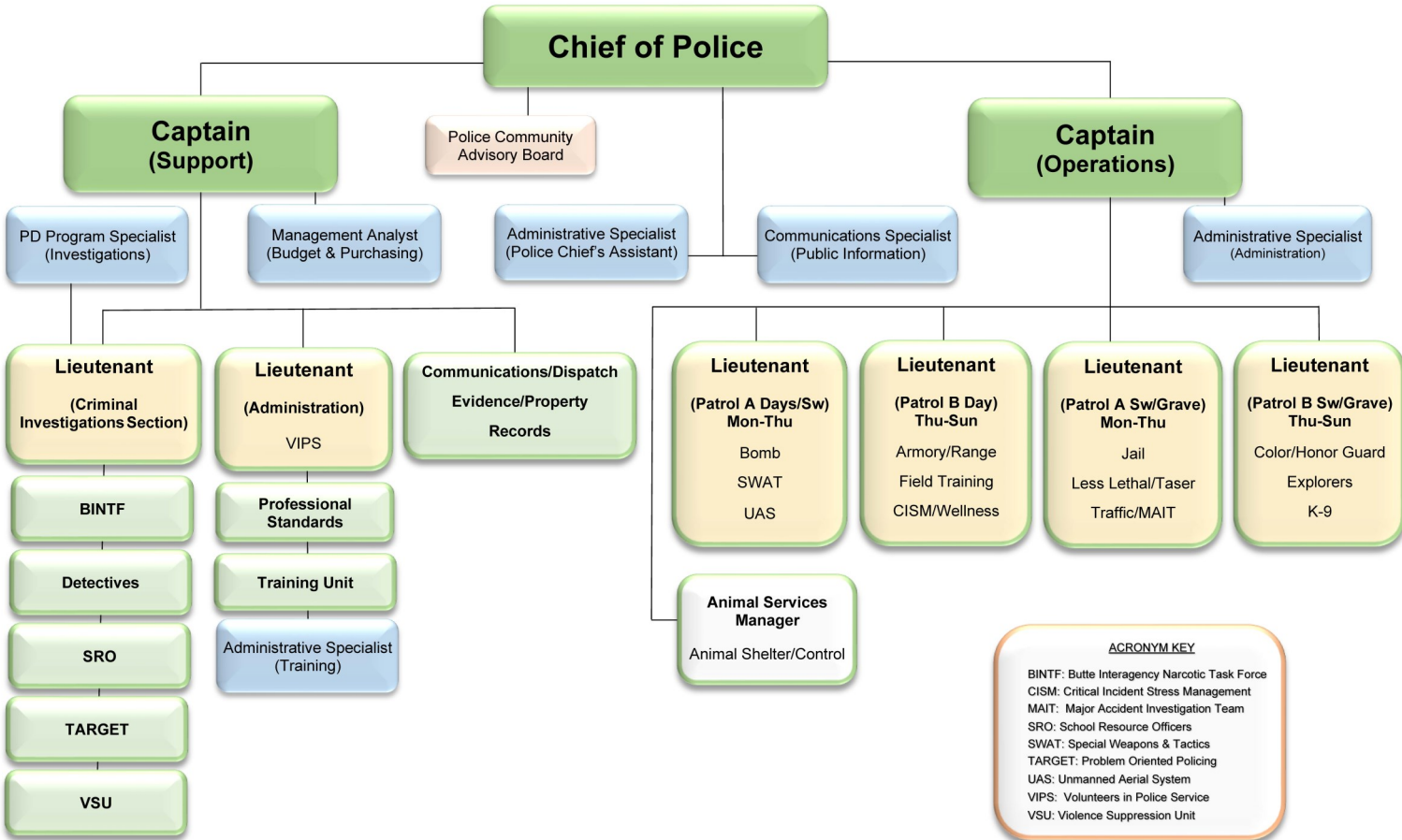
Aldridge is a graduate of the Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute (SBSLI), Executive Leadership Institute at Drucker School of Management, and the POST Executive Development Course.

Chief Aldridge and his wife Rosemary have been married for over twenty-four years and have two sons. Outside of work, he enjoys fishing, boating, softball, yardwork, spending time with his family, and volunteering in the community.

# ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



## Police





# COMMAND STAFF



**Billy Aldridge**  
Chief of Police



**Greg Keeney**  
Captain - Operations



**Jeramie Struthers**  
Interim Captain - Support



**Mike Rodden**  
Patrol Lieutenant



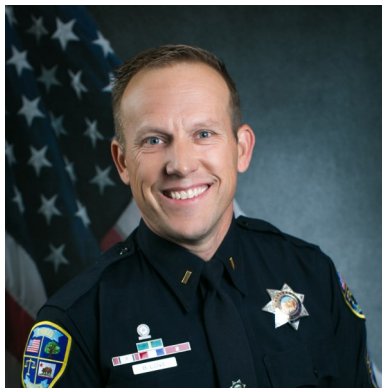
**Brian Miller**  
Investigations Lieutenant



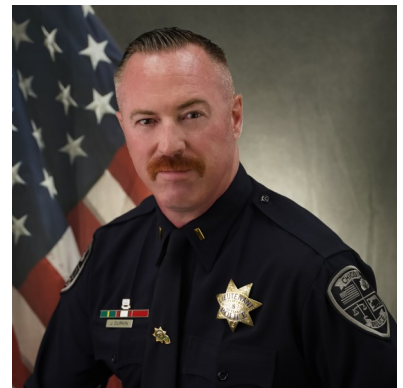
**Terry Tupper**  
Patrol Lieutenant



**Omar Peña**  
Administrative Lieutenant



**Ben Love**  
Patrol Lieutenant



**Jeff Durkin**  
Patrol Lieutenant

# FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 BUDGET

The City of Chico receives funding from taxes, grants, charges for services, assessments, and fines. The City then appropriates this revenue to provide services to the community such as public safety, housing assistance, parks, public works projects and maintenance, among other services.

The Chico Police Department is primarily funded through the revenue in the City's General Fund.

\*The remainder of the department's operating funds are received through a variety of grants.

## Chico Police Department

Total Operating Budget\*

**\$32,488,790**

Salaries & Benefits

**\$26,758,927**

Materials & Supplies

**\$621,986**

Purchased Services

**\$428,721**

Other Expenses

**\$560,659**

Allocations For Utilities  
and Internal Services

**\$4,118,497**

### TOTALS

**City of Chico FY2022-2023**

Total Budget

\$211,111,708

**General Fund FY2022-2023**

Total Revenue

\$67,069,574

**Police FY2022-2023**

Total from General Fund

\$31,341,026

For further details, please see the FY2022-23 Final Annual Budget on the City of Chico website at: <https://chico.ca.us/city-budget>



# DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

The Chico Police Department is allocated 107 full time sworn and 65.5 non-sworn employees.

<u>Employee Classification</u>	<u>Full Time Positions</u>	<u>Filled Positions*</u>
Sworn Employees	107	94
Professional Employees	65.5	50.5
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>172.5</b>	<b>144.5</b>

\*As of 12/31/22

## Sworn Personnel

Title	Total
Police Chief	01
Captain	01
Lieutenant	06
Sergeant	15
Police Officer	69
Park Rangers	02
<u>Vacant Positions</u>	<u>13</u>
<b>Total Sworn</b>	<b>107</b>

## Professional Personnel

Title	Total
Communications Supervisor	04
Public Safety Dispatcher	14
Property & Evidence Supervisor	01
Evidence Technician	02
Records Supervisor	01
Records Technician	08
Management Analyst	01
Administrative Analyst	03
Communication Specialist	01
Police Program Specialist	01
Community Service Officers	08
Parking Services Specialist	01
Animal Services Manager	01
Animal Control Officer	02
Registered Vet Technician	01
Animal Services Technician	01
Animal Services Associate	0.5
<u>Vacant Positions</u>	<u>15</u>
<b>Total Professional</b>	<b>65.5</b>

### Vacant Positions

As of 12/31/22

Police Captain	01
Police Officer	11
Sworn Park Ranger	01
Public Safety Dispatcher	06
Evidence Technician	01
Records Technician	01
Community Service Officer	02
Parking Services Specialist	01
Animal Services Technician	02
<u>Animal Services Associate</u>	<u>02</u>
<b>Total Vacant Positions</b>	<b>28</b>

The Chico Police Department also employs hourly School Crossing Guards and totaling 1.18 full time equivalent positions.

# PROMOTIONS, NEW HIRES & RETIREMENTS

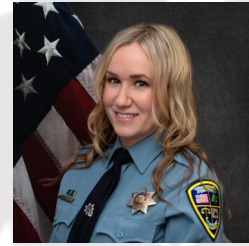
## Promotions



**Billy Aldridge**  
Chief of Police



**Tony Ferreira**  
Sergeant



**Loren Ferreira**  
Communications Supervisor

## New Hires



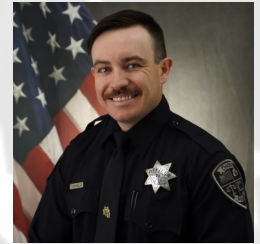
**Hailene Cisneros**  
Evidence Technician



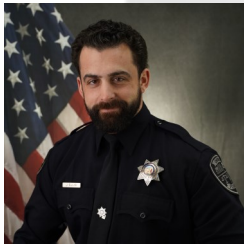
**Kelly DeLeon**  
Public Information Officer



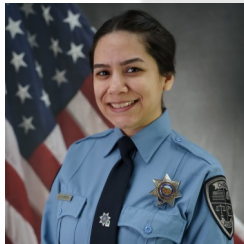
**Mary Dodge**  
Records Technician



**Tanner Donnelly**  
Police Officer



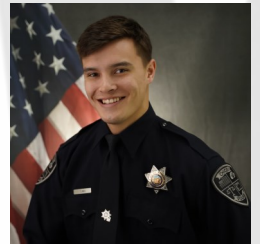
**Jake Ellis**  
Police Officer



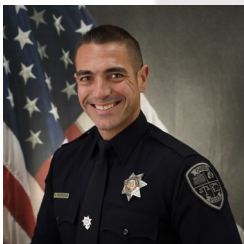
**Marissa Garcia**  
Public Safety Dispatcher



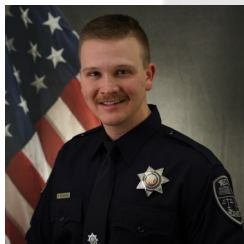
**Joel Holmes**  
Sworn Park Ranger



**Tristan James**  
Police Officer



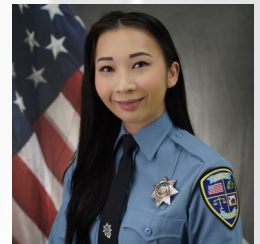
**Andrew Piersons**  
Police Officer



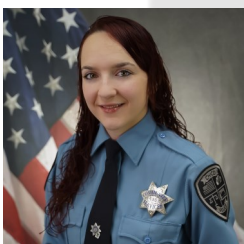
**Will Robinson**  
Police Officer



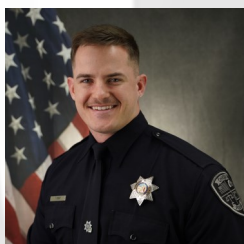
**Mariah Smith**  
Records Technician



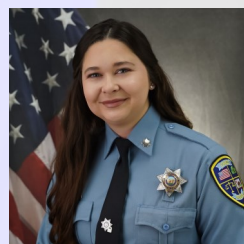
**Alina Thammavong**  
Police Records Technician



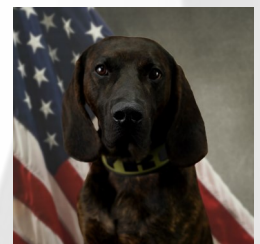
**Alyssa Varao**  
Community Services Officer



**Travis Voight**  
Police Officer



**Alexis Williams**  
Police Records Technician

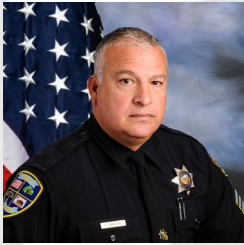


**Pyro**  
K9



# PROMOTIONS, NEW HIRES & RETIREMENTS

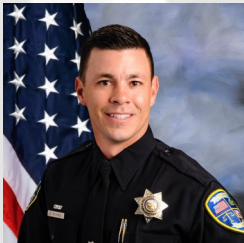
## Retirements



**Cesar Sandoval**  
Police Sergeant  
Chico PD Years of Service:  
04/12/1999 - 06/14/2022



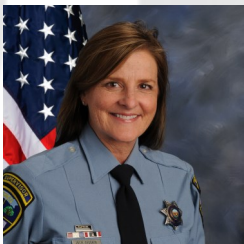
**James "Jim" Parrott**  
Police Detective  
Chico PD Years of Service:  
06/24/1996 - 12/13/2022



**Wayne Rockwell**  
Police Officer  
Chico PD Years of Service:  
08/14/2006 - 12/26/2022



**Neil Simpson**  
Police Officer  
Chico PD Years of Service:  
01/12/2004 - 07/04/2022



**Julie Ceccato**  
Communications Supervisor  
Chico PD Years of Service:  
04/25/1999 - 07/14/2022



**Aron**  
K9  
Chico PD Years of Service:  
11/01/2016 - 03/31/22



**Chief Matthew Madden**  
Chico PD Years of Service:  
07/27/1997 - 09/23/22

Chief Matthew Madden graduated from Paradise High School in June 1990, along with his wife Jennifer. In October 1992, he graduated from the 79<sup>th</sup> Butte College Law Enforcement Academy and was hired as a Deputy Sheriff with the Yuba County Sheriff's Department in January 1993.

Chief Madden and Jennifer had a strong desire to return to Butte County to raise their children. So, he tested with the Chico Police Department and was hired in July 1997. He promoted to Sergeant in September 2008, Lieutenant in November 2015, Deputy Chief of Police in March 2017, and Chief of Police on August 30, 2020. On April 1, 2022, Chief Madden became Chico's Interim City Manager. He spent several weeks in that role, before returning to the police department to finish out his career with almost 30 years in law enforcement.

Chief Madden was awarded the Chico Police Department's Medal of Courage in 2000 and again in 2013. In 2006, he was selected as the Chico PD Officer of the Year and was awarded the department's Medal of Merit. He also earned seven additional Class "A" Commendations During his career at the Chico Police Department. Chief Madden retired on September 23, 2022.

# 2022 AWARDS AND HONORS

## Of the Year

“Of the Year” award recipients are nominated by their peers and selected by the Chief of Police



**Vincent “Ed” Marshall**  
Peace Officer  
of the Year



**Kristen Hernandez**  
Public Safety Dispatcher  
of the Year



**Lynn Theissen**  
Civilian Employee  
of the Year



**Gina Catallo-Kokoletsos**  
Animal Services Employee  
of the Year



**Lynn Jacobs**  
Volunteer (VIP) of the Year



**Peter Hansen**  
Chaplain of the Year



# 2022 AWARDS AND HONORS

## Lifesaving Medal



**Officer Wayne Rockwell**  
Lifesaving Medal

The Chico Police Department Lifesaving Medal is awarded to members of the department who, while serving in an official capacity, distinguish themselves conspicuously by performing an act which likely results in the saving of a human life.

The Lifesaving Medal is the third highest award presented by the department, after the Medal of Valor and Medal of Courage.

In 2022, Chico Police Department awarded the Lifesaving Medal to Officer Wayne Rockwell for his quick and decisive actions that saved a human life.

## Camp Fire Badge Presentation

On November 8, 2018 the Camp Fire swept through the town of Paradise and surrounding areas, leaving behind a lasting impact on our community. Several Chico PD employees and retirees lost their homes in the fire.

When a member of our organization provides 10 years of service or more, they are awarded their badge at the time of their retirement. To many retirees, this badge is a very meaningful symbol of their dedication to the community they served.

With this in mind, members of Chico's Faith Community Group joined together to raise funds and work with vendor partners at Galls and Blackinton, the largest U.S. badge manufacturer, to replace the badges of the Chico Police Department retirees whose badges were lost in the Camp Fire. The outpouring of support was so great that not only did retirees receive their retirement badge, but they also received every badge they ever wore during their career with Chico PD.

On June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 replacement badges were presented to the following Chico Police Department retirees:



**Chief Jim Massie**

**Chief Kirk Trostle**

**Captain Ken Klassen**

**Lieutenant Linda Dye**

**Officer Matt Seipert**

**Officer Rob Sheridan**

**Officer Dave Richardson**

**Community Services Officer Tim Truby**

**Community Services Officer Renee Anderson**



# CRIME STATISTICS

The Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program collects data on serious crimes against persons and property. Local departments across the country send monthly reports to the FBI. For UCR purposes, criminal offenses are divided into two major groups: Part I Offenses and Part II Offenses.



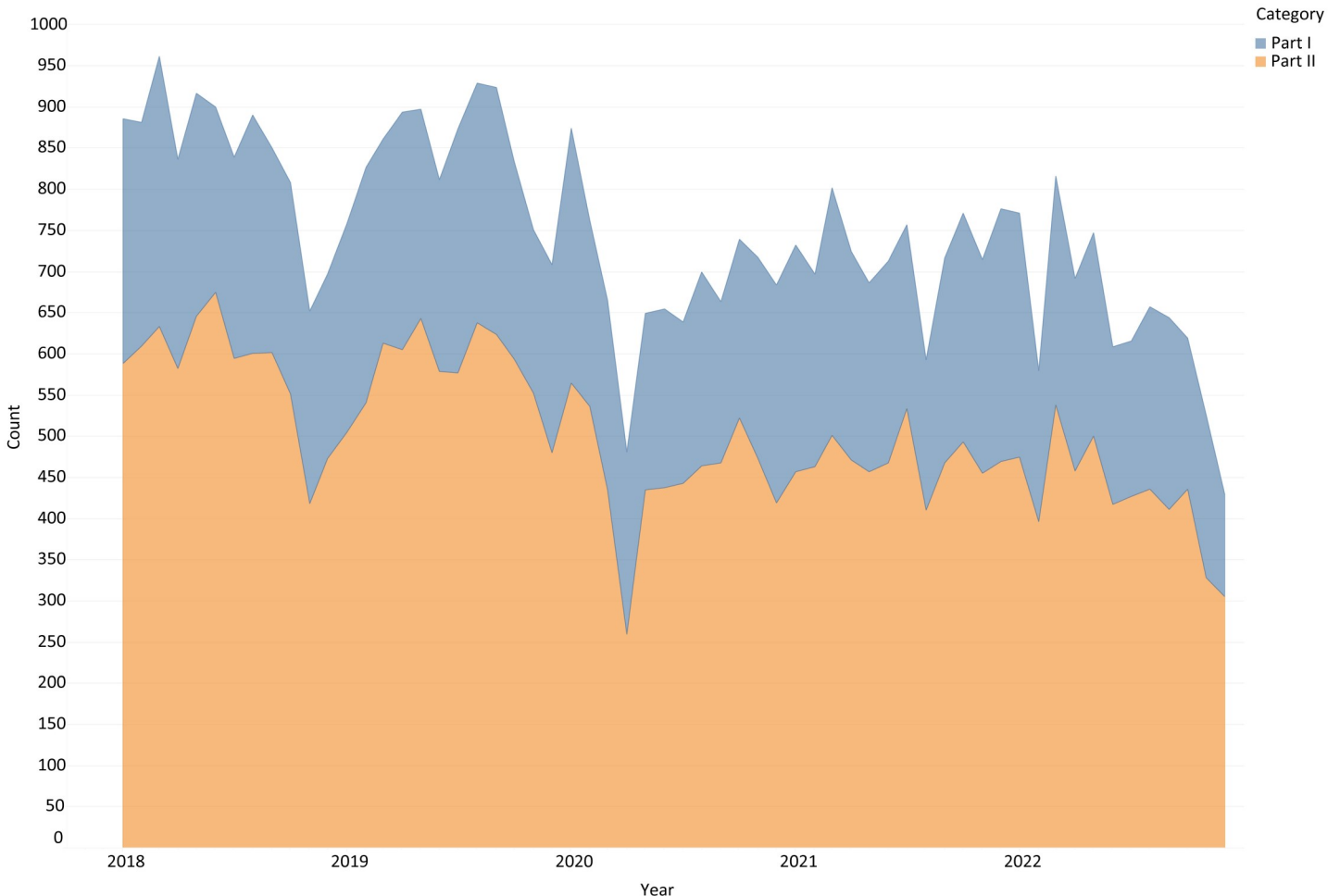
Part I Offenses are broken in to two categories: Crimes Against Persons and Property Crimes. Crimes Against Persons are crimes that are violent, physical, and often high profile. Homicide, Rape, Robbery, and Aggravated Assault are crimes contained within this category. Property Crimes involve the taking or destroying of another person's property. Property Crimes do not involve force or threats toward the owner. These crimes include Burglary, Larceny, and Motor Vehicle Theft. All other crimes are considered Part II offenses, or traffic related, and are not reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

In 2023, Chico PD will transition from UCR reporting to National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). NIBRS is a more comprehensive crime data collection system because of its ability to provide circumstances and context for crimes. NIBRS includes all offenses within a single incident and additional aspects about each event like location, time of day, and whether the incident was cleared by an arrest.

Ultimately, NIBRS will improve the detail and overall quality of crime data, which will help law enforcement and communities use resources more strategically and effectively.

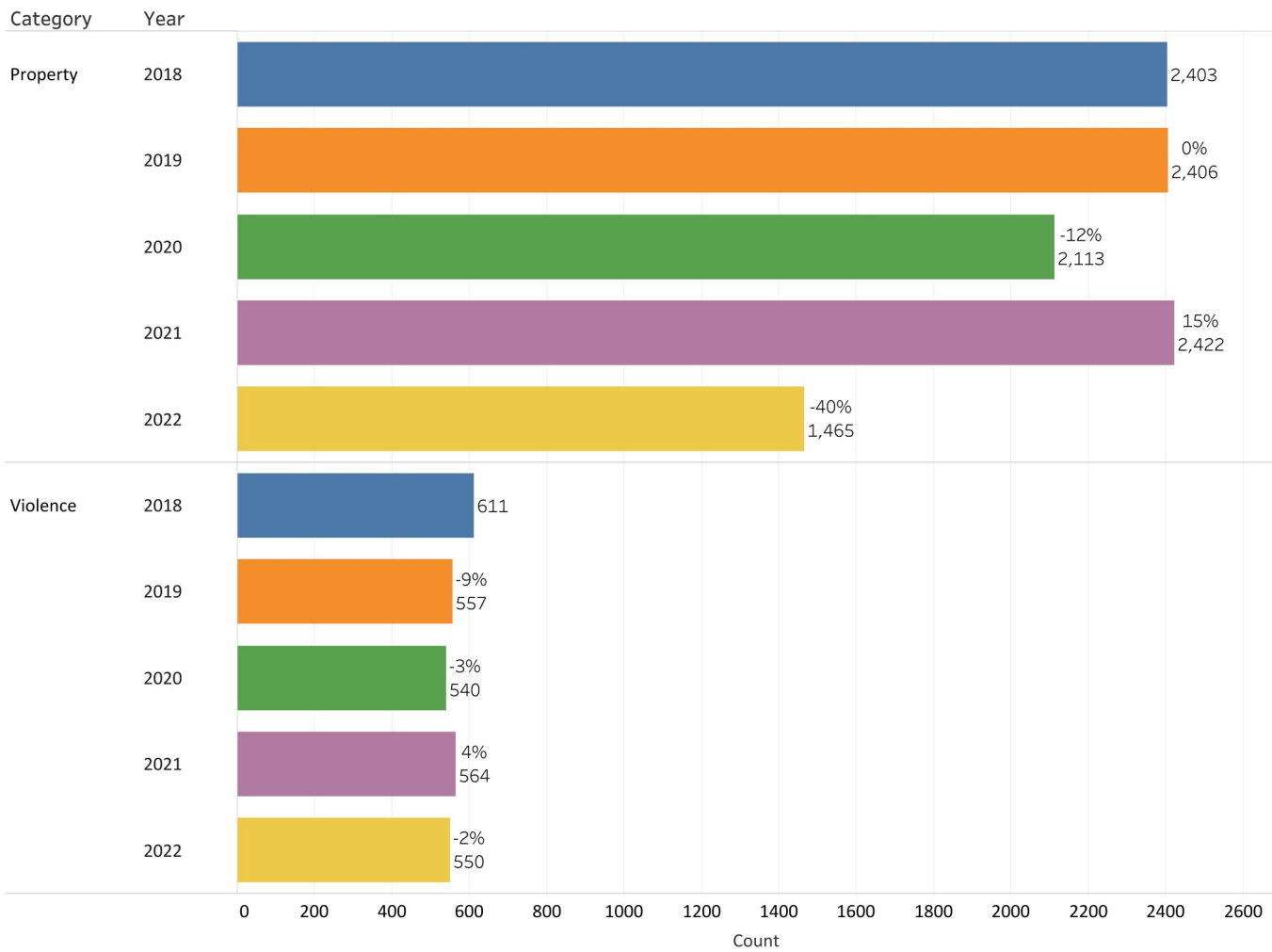
Crime information is available at the CPD Public Safety Portal: <https://chico.crimegraphics.com>

2018 - 2022 Part I and Part II Crime



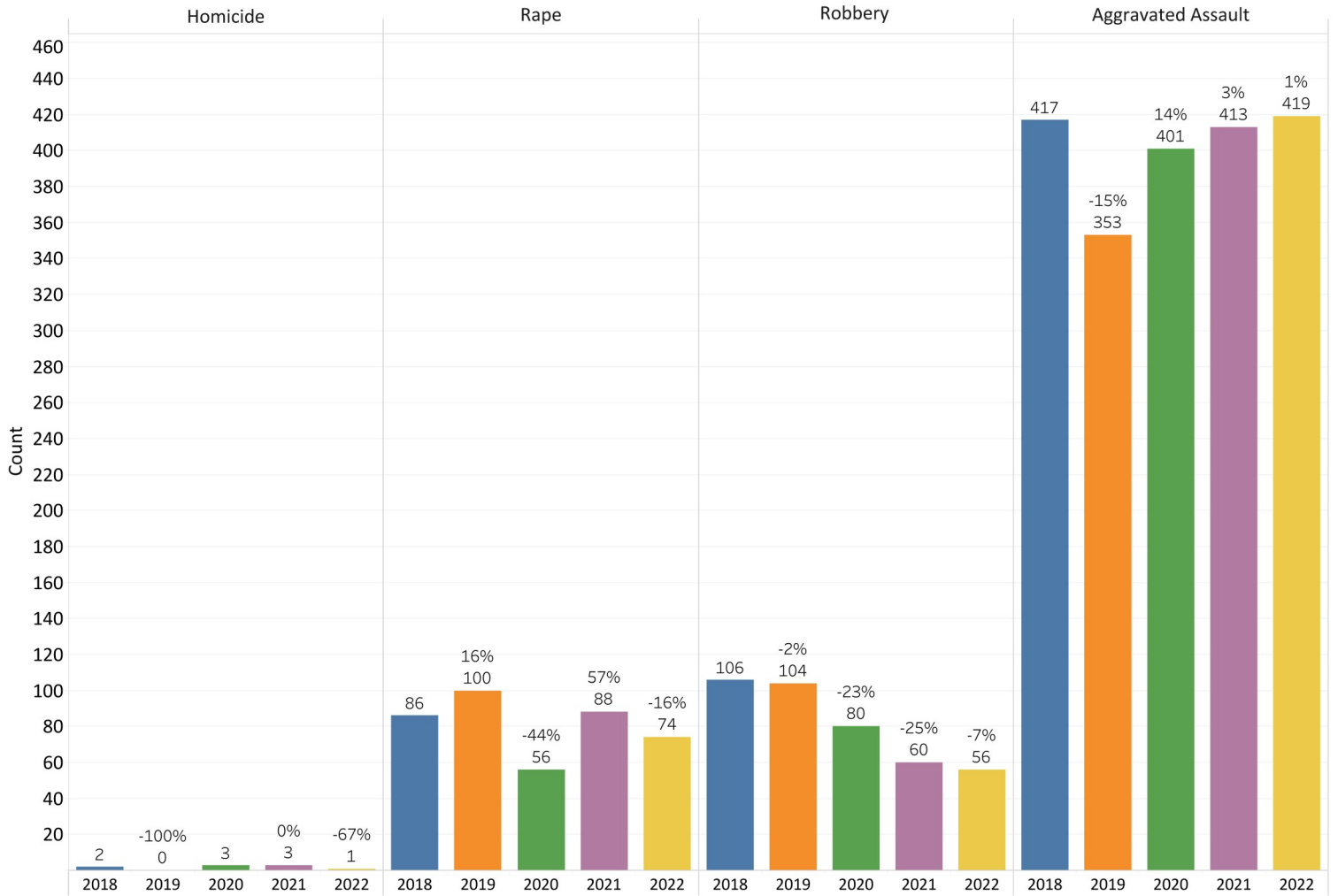
# CRIME STATISTICS

## Crime by Category



# CRIME STATISTICS

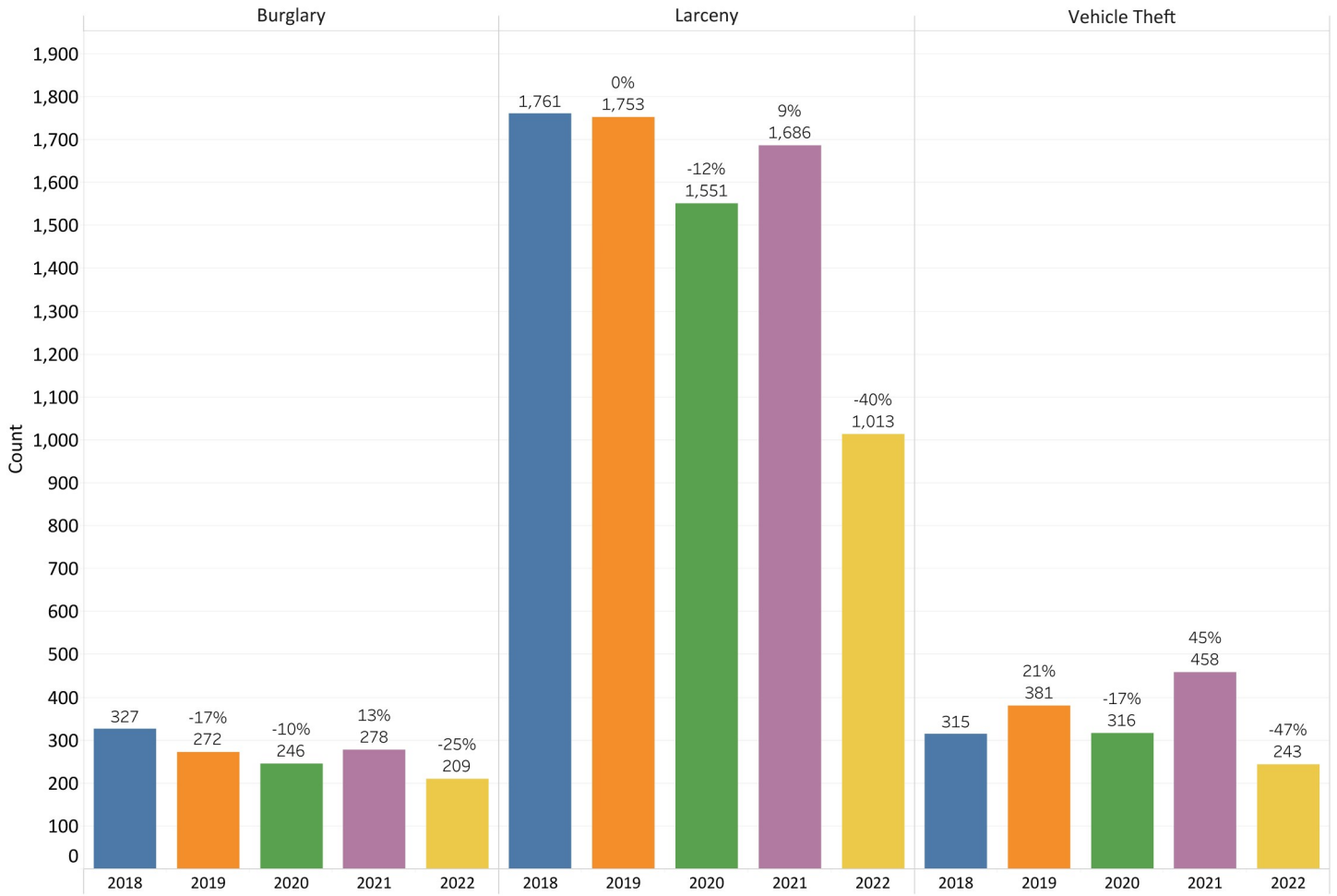
## Violent Crime by Year





# CRIME STATISTICS

## Property Crime by Year



# PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

The Chico Police Department is committed to providing fair and impartial law enforcement services as we serve our community. The Professional Standards Sergeant is an integral part in maintaining the confidence of the public in the Police Department. The Professional Standards Sergeant's primary job function is to investigate citizen complaints and conduct administrative investigations, while strictly adhering to the Peace Officer Bill of Rights.

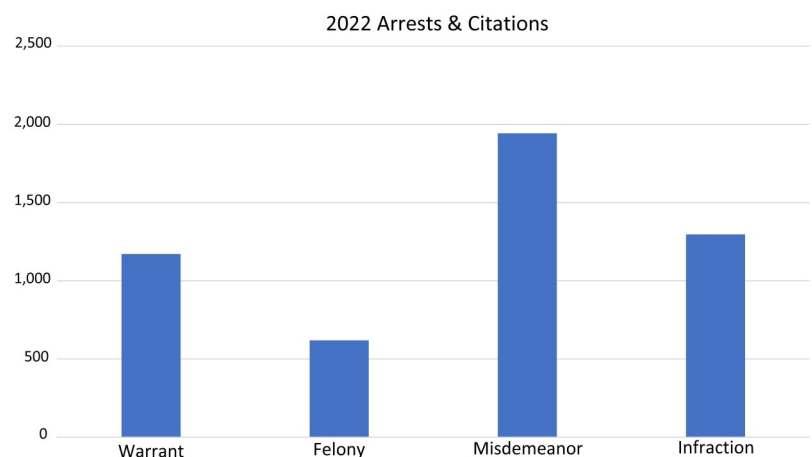
Personnel Complaints									
	2020			2021			2022		
	I	E	T	I	E	T	I	E	T
Unfounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	9	10
Sustained	1	0	1	5	2	7	6	0	6
Not Sustained	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	5	6
Exonerated	1	0	1	2	1	3	0	10	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>32</b>

Key
I=Internal (Department Generated)
E=External (Citizen Complaint)
T=Total

## USE OF FORCE

The Chico Police Department tracks all instances when an officer employed by the department uses force in the course of duty. In 2022, officers proactively initiated contact or were dispatched to 46,961 calls for service\*. Of those contacts, 72 or 0.15% of all calls for service resulted in an officer using force. These calls for service include 5,032 arrests and citations issued.

Use of Force Statistics By Incident Type	
Incident Type	Total Number 2022
Traffic Stop	3
Violent Subject	11
Warrant Service	1
Disturbance	25
Suspicious Subject	5
Criminal Investigation	16
Trespass	0
Mentally Ill	2
Suicidal Subject	2
Pedestrian Contact	4
Other	3
<b>Total:</b>	<b>72</b>



Use of Force Incidents Compared to Calls for Service	
Total Calls for Service	46,961
Total Use of Force Incidents	72
Percentage of Calls Resulting in an Officer Using Force	0.15%
<i>*Calls for service include all calls where a police officer is sent to a call and is physically present at scene</i>	

# TECHNOLOGY

Advancements in technology have provided the Chico Police Department with leading-edge tools to help provide enhanced services to the community.



The **Body Worn Camera System** provides clear evidentiary material when prosecuting crimes and acts as an enhanced management system of accountability for police officers and community services officers. The Chico Police Department utilized the Axon Body Camera system, which incorporates audio and video in a recording device. These cameras are designed for use in the tough environmental conditions that may be encountered in law enforcement.

**Text to 911** is a reliable and safe way to reach Chico Dispatch from a mobile phone or device. Voice calls provide more information to dispatch centers however, Text to 911 is a good option when dangerous situations make it unsafe to make a voice call, or for those who have a hearing or speech impairment. Text messages do not provide a GPS location, although by using Rapid Deploy (through the state 911 system) the text will plot on the map with about 90% degree of confidence and provides latitude/longitude coordinates. The caller should be prepared to confirm the address, but our agency will have a general idea of where the caller is located.



The **Emergency Preemption Plan** is implemented when Chico Dispatch sends officers or fire personnel to a priority call or CODE 3. This system allows the normal operation of traffic lights to be preempted to halt conflicting traffic and allow emergency vehicles the right of way. Traffic lights on the Esplanade from Memorial through Cohasset turn green when an emergency vehicle is within 1,500 feet of the signal. This preemption is accomplished through GPS and CAD through call types, keywords, and trigger codes and allows for quicker response times.

**RIPALog** is a data collection tool that assists in fulfilling the reporting requirements of Assembly Bill 953, known as the Racial and Identity Profiling Act (RIPA). RIPA requires the most of California's law enforcement agencies to collect information on all "stops" and report this information to the California Department of Justice (DOJ). "Stops" are defined as any detention or search, including consensual searches.



**Automated License Plate Readers (ALPRs)** are specialized cameras placed in strategic locations throughout the city.



The data associated with vehicle license plates is captured and stored for official law enforcement purposes to include: identifying stolen or wanted vehicles and persons associated with vehicles, stolen license plates, and missing persons.

Chico PD has installed several ALPRs. The system will be fully operational in 2023, once required training for those authorized to use or access the ALPR system is completed. Through integration with cloud-based software, the ALPR system will be able to send real-time alerts to officers, detectives, and command staff when a positive hit is made. The ALPR system allows for collaboration with other agencies by sharing and subscribing to multi-jurisdictional "hot lists".

In 2023, Chico PD will be migrating to the **RIMS Computer Aided Dispatching (CAD) and Records Management System (RMS)**, creating interoperability with other law enforcement agency systems within Butte County. RIMS CAD is a cloud-based program and in case of emergency, Chico Dispatcher can work from any RIMS agency dispatch center in Butte County or even remotely. RIMS RMS is powerful, robust, and one of the most comprehensive records management systems on the market.



Sun Ridge Systems, Inc.



# PATROL



Patrol is the primary function of every municipal law enforcement organization and is the backbone of the Chico Police Department. Most of the resources of Chico PD are assigned to Patrol. Patrol Officers are the first responders to both emergency and non-emergency calls for service and must be able to address crime and nuisance problems in the community.

Chico Patrol Officers typically spend their shift answering calls for service, interacting with the community, writing reports, issuing citations, making arrests and a variety of other activities as needed. Officers conduct proactive patrols in neighborhoods and in business areas to deter crime and improve visibility. The Chico Police Department deploys Patrol Officers in two groups. The groups are divided into an “A” Team and a “B” Team.

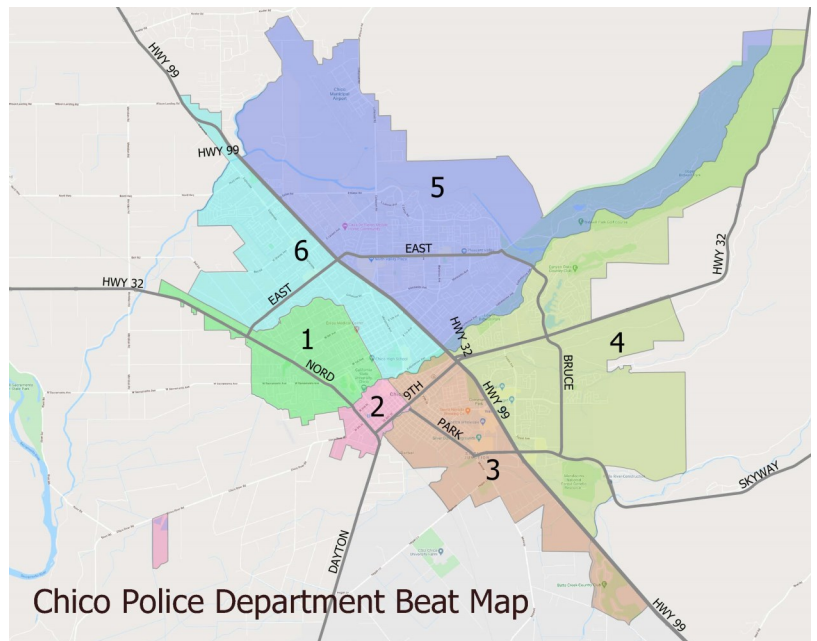
- A Team is comprised of four shifts: Dayshift, Mid-Day/Early Swing Shift, Swing Shift and Graveyard. A Teams work Monday through Thursday on 10 hour shifts and provide 24 hours of coverage.
- B Team is comprised of three shifts: Day Shift, Swing Shift and Graveyard. B Teams work three 12½ hour days on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, providing 24 hours of coverage.

The combination of all seven teams provides just enough coverage to respond to calls for service in a reasonable manner as well as routinely taking self-initiated enforcement or crime prevention efforts as time allows.

Many Patrol Officers are also tasked with “collateral” assignments. Each of these collateral assignments require special training and expertise. Each assigned officer is expected to be available for deployment to special details or critical incidents. Examples of collateral assignments include:

- K9 Handler
- SWAT Operator
- Crisis Negotiator
- Field Training Officer
- Crime Scene Investigator
- Defensive Tactics Instructor
- Armorer
- Bomb Technician
- Firearms/Range Instructor
- Unmanned Aerial Pilot
- Major Accident Investigator
- Peer Support Team Member

The Patrol Division is authorized to be staffed with 1 Captain, 4 Lieutenants as Watch Commanders, 7 Sergeants, 48 Police Officers and 7 Community Service Officers to cover the 6 geographical “beats” within the City of Chico limits.



# K9 UNIT



The Chico Police Department maintains four K9 Teams, assigned across the Patrol Division. K9 Officers are Patrol officers who have been selected to be handlers, and as such the K9 assignment is a secondary duty. K9 Teams respond to calls for service within their assigned beats as would any other Patrol officer.

In 2022, K9 Aron retired after serving the Chico Police Department for several years and will spend his retirement with his former handler. With his retirement, a new canine was added to the unit. K9 Pyro is a Plott hound and certified in scent specific tracking/trailing, bringing a unique skill set to the Chico Police Department. He is a non-apprehension canine that can be used to locate missing people, as well as crime suspects. K9 Pyro may also be utilized as a resource to allied agencies in the surrounding area.



K9s Pax, Kimbo and Odin are trained in multiple disciplines to include narcotics detection and apprehension. K9 Teams are called upon to conduct high risk searches for dangerous individuals, searches of vehicles suspected of transporting narcotics, and apprehending violent and assaultive subjects. They are deployed to de-escalate violent encounters and mitigate injury or loss of life to officer or suspect.



Police K9s are specifically selected for their obedience, drive for work and willingness to selflessly sacrifice. Upon selection, K9 teams attend and must pass a 5-week California POST certified course. They train a minimum of 16 hours per month to maintain a K9s obedience, proficiency in their searches/apprehension and proficiency in narcotics detection. K9 Teams must also pass a yearly rigorous recertification course.

While the City of Chico provides for the purchase, training, and initial equipping of the K9 team, needs specific to the canine and its long-term care are provided by generous support from donations made through the North Valley Community Foundation's Chico Police K9 Fund: <https://www.nvcf.org/funds/Chico-Police-Department-K9-Unit>



**K9 Pax**  
Handler: Officer Cox



**K9 Kimbo**  
Handler: Officer Marshall



**K9 Odin**  
Handler: Officer Parsons



**K9 Pyro**  
Handler: Officer Page



# DETECTIVE BUREAU

The Chico Police Detective Bureau conducts follow-up investigations on felony level crimes against persons and property. Detectives within the Bureau are well-rounded and investigate crimes such as Homicides, Sexual Assaults, Child Abuse, Elder Abuse, Domestic Violence, Burglaries, and Robberies. The Detective Bureau is responsible for processing Sex Offender and Arson Registrants. They conduct Sex Offender Compliance checks throughout the year to confirm the information reported by these Offenders is correct. Detectives work closely with Butte County Children Services Division and Adult Protective Services to follow-up on community reports of Child and Elder Abuse (referrals). All Missing Persons are assigned to a Detective. Detectives also work with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office Hi-Tech Crimes Bureau, investigating Internet Crimes Against Children.

2022 Detective Bureau Statistics	
Cases Investigated	234
Arrests/Requests for Complaint (RFC)	85
CPS Referrals	322
APS Referrals	217
Missing Person Cases Investigated	90
Sex Offender Registrants Supervised	213
Sex Offender Out of Compliance Arrests/RFC	13

The Detective Bureau is allocated 8 Detectives, 1 Sergeant, 1 Lieutenant, and 1 Police Program Specialist.

## VIOLENCE SUPPRESSION UNIT (VSU)



The Violence Suppression Unit (VSU) is a team of detectives tasked with investigating significant crimes of violence, threats to the public, gang crimes, robberies, and fugitive apprehension. The team is comprised of 3 Detectives and 1 Sergeant. The VSU frequently collaborates with Patrol, Detectives, School Resource Officers (SRO), and SWAT to investigate and apprehend suspects in dangerously violent felony crimes.

In 2022, the VSU investigated and apprehended suspects in hate crimes, violent armed robberies, an unprovoked murder attempt of an elderly jogger, an organized retail crime gang, a mass shooting, and an attempted plot to commit a mass casualty incident. The VSU is committed to making the City of Chico a safer place to live.

2022 VSU Statistics	
Cases Investigated	46
Search Warrants Served	45
Arrests	25

### Notable Cases

Crime	Date	Summary
459 P.C.	01/14/22	Organized retail theft; criminal group arrested
245 P.C.	01/22/22	Shooting at a party; suspect arrested
29800 P.C.	04/02/22	Armed felon; suspect arrested at a neighborhood park
211 P.C.	04/28/22	Camp Fire victim robbed of insurance settlement; suspects arrested
664/187 P.C.	06/02/22	Murder attempt of an elderly jogger; suspect arrested
211 P.C.	08/17/22	Armed robbery with approximately \$80,000 taken; 3 suspects arrested
664/187 P.C.	09/02/22	Multiple (5) victims shot at a party; suspect arrested
422 P.C.	09/22/22	Mass Casualty Incident plot; suspect arrested
422.6 P.C.	11/03/22	Multiple location Hate Crime vandalism; suspect arrested



# TARGET



The goal of the TARGET team is to reduce chronic crime and quality of life issues in the community using creative, long-term solutions. TARGET team members, under the supervision of the TARGET Sergeant, are responsible for identifying and partnering with other community advocates and organizations to address these problems. History shows that the TARGET team approach can be very effective in reducing calls for service to particular locations and persons, which helps free time for Patrol to focus on their many other responsibilities.

In compliance with the Warren v. Chico settlement agreement, the City of Chico identifies, provides notice, and enforces against illegal encampments after sheltering options are provided. The Target Team is the primary entity responsible for this enforcement, working in conjunction with Chico's Department of Public Works, Outreach and Engagement Team and Pallet Shelter Staff.

In 2022, 500 calls for service were forwarded to TARGET and they led the effort in the clearing of 400 encampments, in compliance with the Chico v. Warren Settlement agreement. The TARGET team is staffed with 1 Sergeant, 2 Officers, 1 Community Service Officer (CSO), and 2 Sworn Park Rangers. In 2022, TARGET is involved with:

- Summer bike patrol details downtown and interacting with the Downtown Chico Business Association and Downtown Ambassadors
- Networking with service providers including the Jesus Center, Torres Shelter, Pallet Shelter, Veterans Affairs, Point of Contact, and Butte County Behavioral Health
- Partnering with local retailers in shoplift operations
- Collaborating with City of Chico Public Works, Parks Department, and Code Enforcement for cleanups and vehicle abatement while enforcing quality of life crimes in Chico parks, waterways, and downtown
- Reuniting those experiencing homelessness with family through the H.E.L.P Program
- Community events such as Neighborhood Watch Meetings, Thursday Night Market, Coffee with a Cop, Salvation Army Toy Drive, and the Special Olympics Torch Run

## SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS (SROs)

The SRO Program is designed to improve school safety, reduce juvenile crime, and develop positive and trusting relationships between law enforcement and our youth.

School Resource Officers (SROs) work in partnership with the Chico Unified School District (CUSD) to have a Chico PD officer present on school campuses. The SRO unit is staffed with 3 SROs and 1 Sergeant. The 3 SROs are currently funded through an Anti-Tobacco grant from the Department of Justice (DOJ), while the Chico Police Department funds the Sergeant position. The Chico Unified School district has 3 high schools, 3 junior high schools, 12 elementary schools. There are approximately 12,000 students within the school district.



SROs work closely with the school district and school campus officials to ensure security and safety concerns are updated and/or addressed, as well as coordinate emergency reaction plans between the school district and police department.

SROs investigate any crimes that occur on and off school campus that relate to students or staff. In addition, they educate students and staff regarding the dangers of tobacco and nicotine and also conduct enforcement related to tobacco sales and the use by students on and off campus. In 2022, over 100 local tobacco retailers were inspected to ensure they are following the law and SROs conducted two decoy operations to identify retailers who are selling to minors.

# CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION (CSI)

The Chico Police Department Crime Scene Investigation Unit (CSI) is comprised of 12 officers assigned to the Patrol Division. These officers handle their normal patrol duties as well as the added assignment of CSI. They are specially trained in the detection, collection, preservation, and analysis of evidence and crime scenes. The evidence and documentation they assemble may later be presented in court.

There is a minimum of at least 2 Crime Scene Investigators on call at any given time. These officers must be able to respond for any major crime that would require detailed processing.

The Chico Police Department has a mobile crime scene equipment trailer with state-of-the-art equipment that can be taken to almost any major scene. The mobile CSI trailer contains items such as a Leica laser mapping system that has the capability to collect over one million data points per second to document a scene.

Recently, 4 newly appointed Crime Scene Investigators attended a two-week course on documentation, collection, and the preservation of crime scenes.



## UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEM (UAS)



The Chico Police Department started its Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) program, commonly known as drones, in July of 2021.

The program has grown to include 10 pilots who hold a commercial drone, Part 107 license, issued by the Federal Aviation Administration. Chico PD has 13 drones ranging from small “micros” to our largest platform, the “Matrice 30”. The Mavic Enterprise Advanced drones along with the M-30’s have a thermal camera that allows Officers to track activity more effectively in the dark.

Since the launch of the UAS program, Chico Police have deployed UAS over 150 times. In 2022, UAS was utilized 116 times. Several of these deployments proved invaluable, keeping Officers safer on the ground along with finding a hiding or fleeing suspect. Last December, UAS was called to Magalia to assist BCSO with a missing person. Within a few minutes in the air, UAS located the missing person, who was lost in the cold, and they were recovered safely.

Drones are used for all types of police work to include, but not limited to:

- Bomb or Suspicious Packages
- Crime Scene Investigations
- Criminal Investigations
- Critical Incident Management
- Community Relations
- Crowd Control
- Locating Suspects
- Major Accident Investigations
- Missing Persons Investigations
- Perimeter Searches and Security
- Search and Rescue
- Search Warrants
- Special Events
- Training





# TRAFFIC & PARKING SERVICES



The Chico Police Department Traffic Unit consists of 1 Motorcycle Sergeant and 2 full-time Parking Services Specialists.





The primary mission of this unit is to ensure the safety of the public using our roadways. Traffic specializes in traffic enforcement and collision investigations throughout the city. One Parking Specialist is dedicated

to downtown enforcement while the other Parking Specialist is mobile and enforces parking violations city-wide.

Chico PD was awarded a \$318,986 DUI Reduction Grant in 2021 from the California Highway Patrol through Cannabis Tax Funds. The grant work was completed in 2022 and Chico PD conducted 20 DUI saturation patrols that netted 27 DUI arrests. Additionally 4 DUI checkpoints were conducted during the 2022 year.

During the checkpoints, a total of 2,163 cars were screened, 9 drivers were cited for driving suspended, 22 drivers were cited for driving unlicensed, 3 vehicles were towed, and 4 drivers were arrested for driving impaired.



<u>TOTALS</u>	
 Citations Written	389
 Non-Injury Collision Reports	80
 Injury Collision Reports	62
 Vehicles Towed for Suspended or Unlicensed Drivers	50



## MAJOR ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION TEAM (MAIT)



The Chico Police Department Major Accident Investigation Team (MAIT) is deployed for any major collision resulting in death, serious bodily injury that may result in death, or serious collisions involving felony criminal activity. MAIT personnel are trained in advanced accident investigation and are responsible for completing the technical aspects of the collision including documentation of the scene and coordinating the completion of a factual diagram. MAIT personnel are also responsible for conducting any follow-up associated with the collision.

In 2022, MAIT investigated 13 serious collisions. 9 of those collisions were fatal with 4 of the cases resulting in criminal charges being filed with the District Attorney's Office. The remaining cases were single vehicle, non-prosecutable cases.

# TRAINING UNIT



Employees of the Chico Police Department require regular training to keep up with changing legislation, to reinforce perishable skills, and to introduce advanced techniques. The Chico Police Department Training Unit is tasked with coordinating all training for the members of the Police Department.

The Training Unit is staffed with 1 Sergeant and 1 Administrative Specialist. Personnel in the Training Unit must ensure that members of the Police Department are receiving all state mandated training, while coordinating ongoing career development training for staff.

The Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) sets the minimum selection and training standards for California law enforcement. Training requirements are broken down into a 2-year cycle. There is a minimum of 97 hours of mandated training every 2 years per officer. The number of actual training hours may be more, dependent on specialty assignment or additional duties that the officer performs. Collateral assignments include Armory, Bomb Squad, Crime Scene Investigator, Crisis Negotiation Team, etc.

24 hours of continuing education is also required every two years. 16 of those hours are refreshers of perishable skills such as Emergency Vehicle Operation Course (EVOC), Firearms, and Use of Force and 8 hours are discretionary. Some of the minimum requirements for perishable skills may not be deemed adequate by Chico PD and additional training is provided based on funding and time.

## 2022 Highlights:

- In 2022, the Training Unit provided 130 hours of internal training to department staff during in-service training days which covered Federal and State legislative mandates, California Commission on Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) mandated training, and agency policy requirements
- 92 members of the Police Department were sent to external trainings for a total of 3,048 training hours



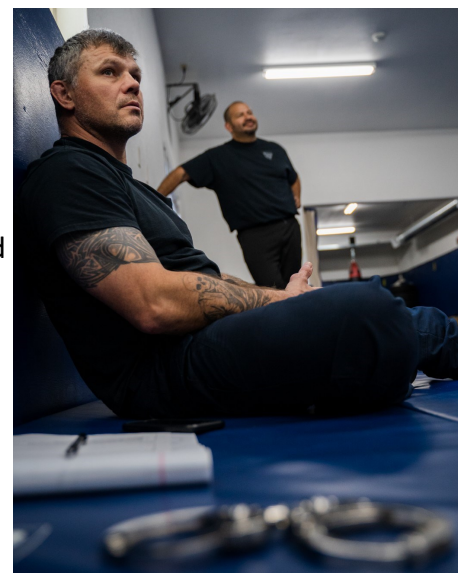
# DEFENSIVE TACTICS



The Defensive Tactics (DTAC) training cadre is responsible for instructing arrest and control tactics for the Chico Police Department in order to safeguard all members of our community.

Instructors teach all newly hired police officers in a 20-hour curriculum prior to the start of the Field Training Officer (FTO) program. DTAC Instructors also teach continuing education in perishable skills POST mandated courses.

Furthermore, DTAC instructors provide training in de-escalation, use of force, and legal updates for state and federal laws. Instructors are certified by POST and the unit is supervised by 1 Sergeant and 1 Lieutenant.





# FIELD TRAINING PROGRAM (FTO)



The Chico Police Department's Field Training Program (FTO) is the foundation of the development of its officers into professional guardians of the City of Chico. The program is a minimum 19-week training program which starts when a new officer graduates from a California POST certified academy. The FTO Program is an intense hands-on training which follows a scripted 5-phase plan with the goal of taking the new officer straight out of the academy to a level they can operate as a proficient solo-officer, capable of handling patrol calls for service independently.

The Chico Police Department has rigorous standards required of a new officer in order to graduate from the FTO Program. Governed by the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST), whose mission is to, "continually enhance the professionalism of California law enforcement in serving its communities," the Chico Police Department's FTO Program meets POST standards and exceeds them through advanced training in Officer Safety, Control of Conflict, De-Escalation, knowledge of law and policies and communication, among multiple other categories (31 categories in all).

During 2022, 6 new officers (including 3 hired at the end of 2021), successfully completed the required field training for their official police officer numbered badge. All of these officers now work the streets of Chico as Police Officers and are expected to uphold the high standards we have developed, including our core values of Integrity, Courage and Respect. An additional 6 were hired in 2022 and are currently in the Field Training Program going into 2023.

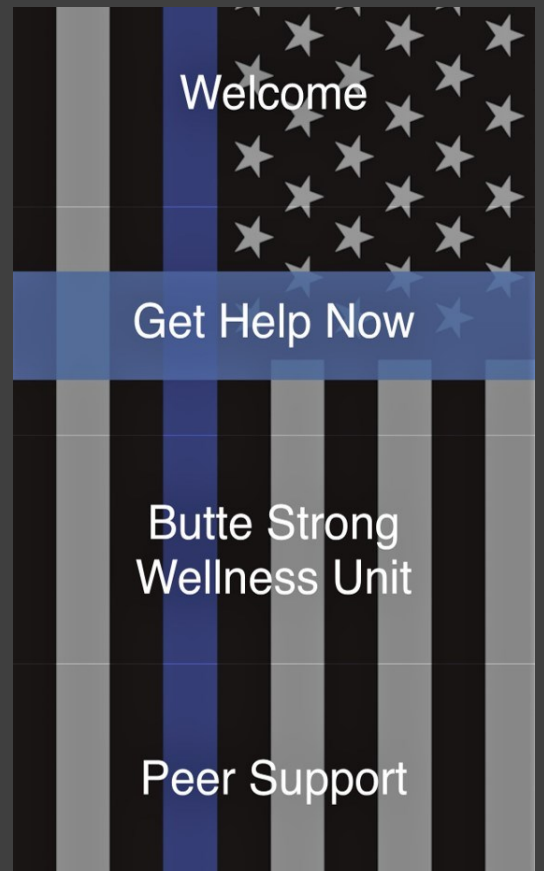
## WELLNESS PROGRAM & PEER SUPPORT TEAM (PST)

The Chico Police Department prioritizes employee wellness to foster fitness for duty and to support a healthy quality of life for department members. The wellness program is intended to be a holistic approach to a member's well-being and encompasses aspects such as physical fitness, mental health, and overall wellness.

The Chico Police Department Peer Support Team (PST) is comprised of 9 employees including Police Officers, Sergeants, Dispatch, and Records personnel. The role of the Chico Police Department Peer Support Team is to be available to listen, support, refer, and assist employees and family members during professional or personal, stressful, or difficult periods in their lives. The Peer Support Team is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to all department employees.

The PST works closely with the Butte Strong Wellness Unit for health and wellness services and the Butte County Critical Incident Stress Management Team for major traumatic events. The Chico PD PST is comprised of the following individuals:

- Sgt. Mark Bass
- Sgt. Tony Ferreira
- Detective John Nickelson
- Detective Miranda Pierce
- Officer Tom Cox
- Officer Darrin Brown
- Officer Jeremy Gagnebin
- Dispatcher Loren Ferreira
- Records Supervisor Lupe Villela



# CRISIS NEGOTIATION TEAM (CNT)



The mission of the Crisis Negotiation Team (CNT) is to respond to critical incidents and establish communication with barricaded subjects, hostage takers, or subjects of high-risk arrest warrants to peacefully resolve an incident. CNT is often deployed in a complimentary function with the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team to work towards the common goal of a peaceful resolution to a critical incident. CNT a specialty assignment, in addition to an officer's primary duties.

The Chico Police Department Crisis Negotiation Team is comprised of 9 Police Department Officers and Sergeants and 1 California State University, Chico Police Officer.

## SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS (SWAT)

The Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team serves our community as a team of specially trained personnel whose mission is to preserve life during extremely high-risk operations and dangerous situations. Missions may include armed and dangerous subjects, hostage situations, and service of high-risk arrest or search warrants. Each member of the team undertakes the assignment voluntarily. As such, SWAT is an additional assignment on top of their primary duties.



The Chico Police Department SWAT Team is comprised of 14 Police Department Officers and Sergeants, 2 Dispatchers, and 2 Chico Fire Department Firefighters that serve as team medics.

In 2022, SWAT was deployed 9 times. The team's specialized training and equipment were utilized in search warrants for armed felons, an arrest warrant for a murder suspect, an attempted murder, and for terrorist threats.

## HONOR GUARD

The Honor Guard is a ceremonial unit comprised of specially selected, sworn members of the Chico Police Department. They serve as official representatives of the department and as "guardians of the colors" by displaying and escorting the national flag at various functions such as police funerals, memorial services, and a variety of civic events.

In 2022, the Chico Police Honor Guard attended services for Salinas Police Department Officer Jorge David Alvarado, Jr. as well as the annual graveside memorial service for Chico Police Department's own Officer Carleton Bruce. The Honor Guard is also proud to have been part of a local tradition, the Almond Bowl football game between Chico High and Pleasant Valley High.



# BUTTE INTERAGENCY NARCOTICS TASK FORCE (BINTF)



The Butte Interagency Narcotics Task Force (BINTF) is comprised of agents from law enforcement agencies throughout Butte County and the State of California, trained in the investigation of illicit drug trafficking. The Chico Police Department has one Sergeant and one Detective assigned to the unit.

In 2022, Butte County, like many other counties in California, saw a continued increase in illicit drug overdose deaths, many which occurred in Chico. As the prescription opioid crisis lessened, a dual threat emerged in the form of synthetic drugs - methamphetamine and fentanyl. Final and complete data regarding overdose deaths for 2021 is now available<sup>1</sup>:

- 114 individuals died as a result of illicit drug overdoses in Butte County in 2021
- Deaths related to Fentanyl more than quadrupled in 2021, in comparison to 2020
- Methamphetamine related deaths also rose in 2021, and represented the single deadliest illicit drug in our area

Recognizing these dangerous trends and the need for additional resources, BINTF sought a High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) designation through the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) and the Executive Office of the President. Butte County was successful in that effort, becoming only one of five HIDTA designations in the United States for 2022, and the only one West of the Mississippi.



In addition to bringing enforcement related resources to Chico and Butte County, HIDTA also brings additional drug prevention and educational resources to our region. Partnering with existing drug prevention and education components within and surrounding Butte County, HIDTA enhances those efforts, which also play a critical role in the overall strategy of drug control policy.

<sup>1</sup>Data for 2022 is not yet complete

## BUTTE INTERAGENCY BOMB SQUAD

The Butte County Interagency Bomb Squad is a regional response team comprised of 6 Officers and/or Sergeants from multiple Law Enforcement Agencies in Butte County.

The Chico Police Department has 2 trained bomb technicians on the team. Each Bomb Squad member is a graduate of the FBI's Hazardous Devices School at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, Alabama.

The Bomb Squad currently responds to situations related to explosives from Butte County to the Oregon border. These situations included the identification and rendering safe of hazardous devices, improvised explosive devices (IEDs) and suspicious packages. During 2022, the Bomb Squad completed 26 missions in and around the Northstate.



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|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------------|----|
| • Bomb Threats        | 1 | • Recovery of Explosives          | 5  |
| • Explosion           | 1 | • Recovery of Precursor Chemicals | 3  |
| • Hoax Devices        | 2 | • Improvised Explosive Device     | 12 |
| • Suspicious Packages | 2 | (IED) Recoveries                  |    |



# COMMUNICATIONS









Public Safety Dispatchers are the first point of contact for most citizens with the Police and Fire Departments. These highly trained personnel provide a lifeline to law enforcement, fire, medics, and other emergency services.




The Chico Police Dispatch Center received 197,587 phone calls in 2022. The National Emergency Number Association (NENA) standard for answering 911 calls is 90% answered within ( $\leq$ ) 15 seconds and 95% within ( $\leq$ ) 20 seconds. Chico Police Dispatch exceeded these standards with 96.25% of all 911 calls answered within ( $\leq$ ) 15 seconds and 98.78% within ( $\leq$ ) 20 seconds.

Chico Police Dispatchers answer 911 calls, triage non-emergency calls, and quickly and effectively provide information to callers, officers in the field, and other first responders. The calls that Dispatchers receive vary widely; they can be as simple as questions regarding city services to life and death emergencies. In addition to actively receiving calls for service, Dispatchers simultaneously operate Police and Fire radio and electronic data communications, which includes dispatching calls by priority, tracking the location of all field units, monitoring the status of police and fire personnel, and processing requests for records checks. Dispatchers have access to several state and nationwide databases to assist Officers in the field.

In 2022, Chico Dispatchers attended training courses to enhance their skills and knowledge on the topics of: Critical Infrastructure, Principled Policing/Implicit Bias, Dispatcher Wellness, and Conflict Management. Dispatchers also attended Training Officer courses, Supervisory School, the POST Academy Instructor Certification Course (AICC) and a Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) conference for Chico's upcoming transition to RIMS Records and Case Management System.

<u>CAD INCIDENTS</u>		
	Citizen Generated (Police)	43,405
	Self - Initiated (Police)	9,918
	<b>Total Police</b>	<b><u>53,323</u></b>
	CAD Incidents - Fire	14,064
	Other (Animal Control, VIPS, Etc.)	2,304
	<b>Total CAD Incidents (Police &amp; Fire)</b>	<b><u>69,691</u></b>

<u>PHONE CALLS</u>		
	Non-911	40,709
	911	51,729
	Admin Line	105,149
	<b>Total (Inbound &amp; Outbound)</b>	<b><u>197,587</u></b>
	<b>Total (Inbound Only)</b>	<b><u>151,058</u></b>

<u>TEXT TO 911</u>		
	Citizen Initiated	44
	Total Inbound*	199
	*Includes Citizen Initiated	
	Total Outbound	193
	<b>Total Text to 911</b>	<b><u>392</u></b>

# PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE



The Property Section is responsible for receiving, documenting, storing, and maintaining the integrity and security of all items of property and evidence submitted by the Chico Police Department. The Property Section manages over 3,000 square feet of storage space, in which they have the duty to protect the chain of custody of over 52,000 items of property and evidence.






Property received into the department includes a wide variety of items to include bicycles, personal property, firearms, narcotics/controlled substances, biological evidence, money, and any items which may be viewed as evidence. Receiving property and evidence includes the responsibility for proper packaging,

documentation, safety, and security of the items. Contamination of evidence by improper packaging can lead to questions of evidence validity in court. If precise documentation rules are not followed; including correct descriptions of evidence, serial number notation and receipts given to property owners, then there is also a question of the integrity of the evidence. Proper packaging also assures a barrier between the evidence handlers and the potentially hazardous items.

To help the Property Section personnel with the storage of all items of property and evidence, the agency has continued to utilize a state-of-the-art tracking system. This system has built-in barcoding capabilities, a retention module that places a review date on all items brought into the facility, produces letters to the owners of property, and eliminates the need to handwrite Property Receipt Forms.

The Property and Evidence Section is allocated with 3 Technician positions, along with the Property and Evidence Supervisor. Laws regarding the retention of property and evidence is constantly changing. Personnel must stay abreast of these changes and must evaluate each item of property and evidence for their retention.

2022 was the first time in over 5 years the Property Section was able to purge more items than they took in. This is due to the hard work of all staff members in the facility and their drive to clear out space for incoming items of property and evidence.

<b>TOTALS</b>		
<b>In 2022, the Property Section personnel handled a total of 16,184 items</b>		
<b>7,796 items were brought into the facility</b>		
	<b>Handguns</b>	<b>116</b>
	<b>Long guns</b>	<b>56</b>
	<b>Bicycles</b>	<b>359</b>
	<b>Cellphones</b>	<b>353</b>
	<b>Backpacks</b>	<b>522</b>
	<b>Items of narcotics</b>	<b>805</b>
<b>8,388 items were removed from the facility</b>		



# COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS (CSOs)



Currently, the Chico Police Department employs 8 full-time Community Service Officers (CSOs); 7 assigned to Patrol, and 1 assigned to the TARGET team. In 2022, Patrol Community Service Officers booked 2,752 arrests into the Jail Management System (approximately 8 per day). Additionally, CSOs made 1,350 transports to Butte County Jail (approximately 4 per day).

Patrol CSOs support their assigned Patrol Team by taking non-emergency calls and authoring reports. In 2022, Patrol CSOs authored 549 police reports, including found property and cold thefts. They also assist with non-injury traffic accidents, serve subpoenas for court, and perform countless other duties.

The CSO assigned to the TARGET Team helped several Chico communities begin or maintain Neighborhood Watch

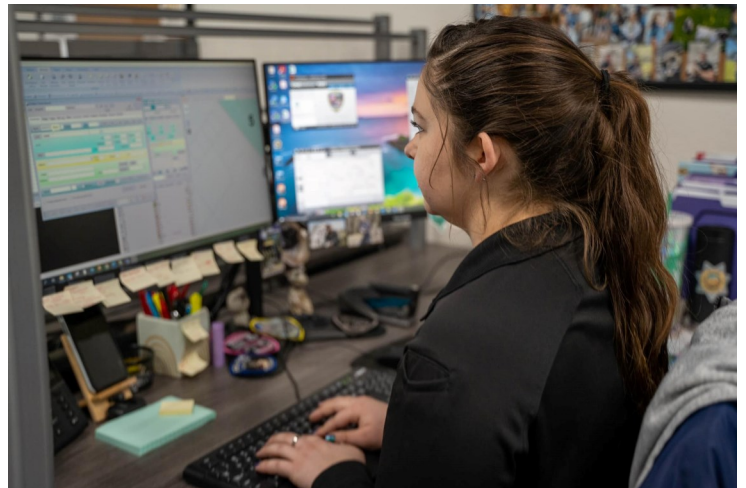
programs, assisted businesses and residents with Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) security surveys, authored crime prevention tips and public service announcements and provided on-camera interviews with various media outlets, helped organize community safety programs such as National Night Out, and assisted the TARGET Team with unhoused camp clean ups.

<u>TOTALS</u>		
	Arrests Booked	2,752
	Jail Transports	1,350
	Reports Written	549

## RECORDS DIVISION




Records personnel are generally the first contact for citizens at the front counter of the Chico Police Department. Records Technicians staff the front counter and answer all non-emergency telephone calls during normal business hours (8 a.m. to 4 p.m., excluding holidays). Record Technicians assist citizens with obtaining police reports, fulfilling Public Records Act requests, releasing stored vehicles, accepting and booking found property, confirming corrections on traffic citations, and providing general assistance to the public.

When they are not assisting the public, Records Technicians are processing every form, citation, and report that is generated at the Police Department. They also prepare arrest reports for submission to the Butte County District Attorney's Office, Butte County Superior Court, and Butte County Probation Department for prosecution.



Records Technicians process all crime reports submitted by the public to our online portal, fulfill background check requests, fingerprint applicants, submit monthly Uniform Crime Report statistics to the Department of Justice, issue permits for driver and vehicles for hire applications, and process subpoenas, warrants, and extraditions.

Maintaining the security and integrity of police records is an essential component of the Records Division. To accomplish this mission, the Records Section is staffed by a Supervisor and 9 Records Technicians.

<u>TOTALS</u>		
	Reports Processed	8,627
	Online Reports	1,586
	Warrants Entered	514



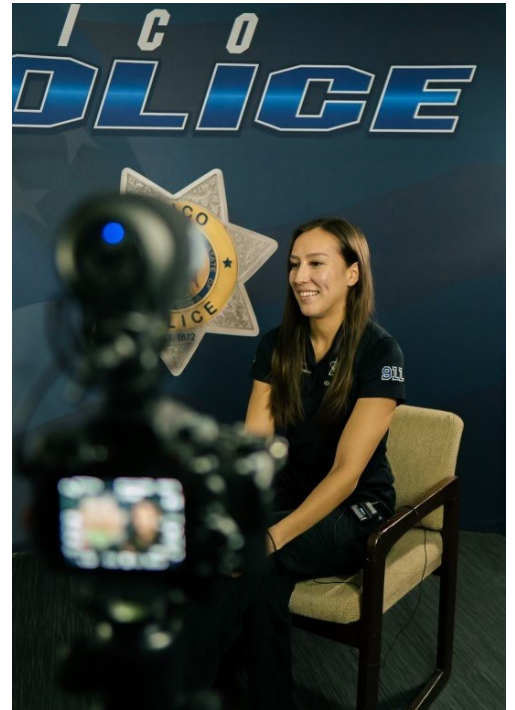
# SOCIAL MEDIA AND RELATIONS TEAM (SMART)

The mission of the Chico Police Department Social Media and Relations Team (SMART) is to bridge the gap of communication between our Police Department and the Community we serve with integrity.

Chico PD's SMART Team is led by a sergeant and the department's Public Information Officer (PIO), with nine additional members who are all Chico PD employees, with the SMART Team being an additional assignment to their regular duties. Together, the team manages the content for all social media platforms, event coordination, as well as media and community outreach. Members were identified for the SMART team to work in areas matching their skill set such as photography, videography, drone operations, and content creation.

The Chico PD SMART Team is comprised of the following individuals:

- PIO Kelly DeLeon
- Sergeant Tony Ferreira
- Officer Victoria Bambauer
- Officer Jack Ditty
- Officer Austin Jones
- Officer Jamie McElhinney
- Officer Trey Reid
- Officer Jordan Saldano
- Dispatcher Laura Jaks
- Dispatcher Victoria Pinasco
- Administrative Specialist Carly Gott



## SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

The Social Media and Relations Team of professionals is committed to providing accurate, valuable, and transparent information to the community through our social media platforms in order to educate, notify, and inform them of emergency situations, special events, and the department's daily happenings and activities.

### Be sure to like, follow, and subscribe!

#### Facebook

ChicoPoliceDepartment  
23K Facebook Followers



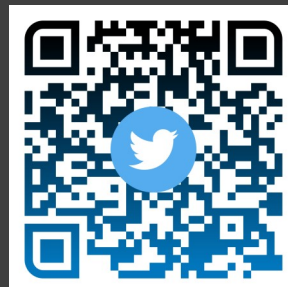
#### Instagram

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8K Instagram Followers



#### Twitter

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#### YouTube

Chico Police Department California  
25K Subscribers





# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT






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**COFFEE**  
*With a COP*



**Tuesday, October 4th**  
**8 AM to 10 AM**

- Beatniks Coffee House** - 1387 E 8th St
- Grateful Bean** - 6 W Eaton Rd
- Mondos Coffeehouse** - 995 Nord Ave #100
- Bidwell Perk** - 664 E 1st Ave
- Day Camp Coffee** - 1925 Market Pl STE 150






# ANIMAL SERVICES



Chico Animal Services is a section under the Chico Police Department and includes both Chico Animal Control and the Chico Animal Shelter. Animal Services provides mandated animal related services as required by law and is staffed with 2 Animal Control Officers, 1 Registered Veterinary Technician, 3 Animal Services Technicians, 2 full time and 1 part time Animal Services Associate, and 1 Animal Services Manager.

Animal Control is responsible for enforcing all animal related municipal codes and state laws, picking up stray dogs, enforcing dog licensing, investigating bite reports, and quarantining animals for Rabies observation. Staff at the Chico Animal Shelter, which is owned and operated by the City of Chico, are responsible for housing animals picked up by Animal Control, and stray dogs, sick or injured cats and orphaned kittens found within city limits.

In 2022, Animal Control investigated 233 bite reports, quarantined 158 animals for rabies observation and returned 103 dogs to their owners in the field.

Shelter staff took in and cared for 1,180 animals. Staff adopted out 425 animals, returned 256 animals to their owners, assisted with the trap/neuter/return of 171 cats and re-released 13 wild animals to their habitat. 101 animals were transferred to rescue groups, and 6 animals were transferred to other animal control agencies.

Shelter staff work 7 days a week, including holidays, and rely heavily on help from volunteers. The shelter hosts volunteers from Chico State, community service workers from multiple counties, as well as members of the public. Volunteers help with tasks like laundry, walking dogs, fostering animals and clerical work.

To find out more about volunteering visit: <http://www.chicoanimalshelter.org/volunteer.html>

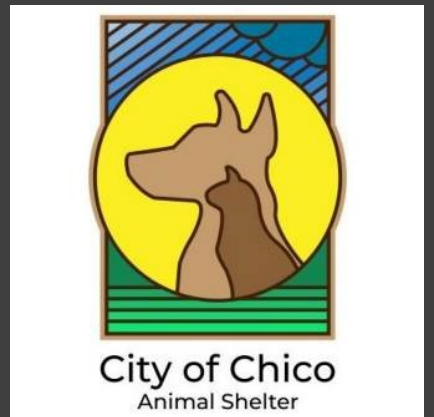
While the city provides funding for animal control operations, running of the shelter facility (staffing, utilities and maintenance) and care of the animals during the mandated holding period, all other costs are funded through generous donations made through the North Valley Community Foundation's three Animal Shelter Funds.

The Animal Shelter Medical Fund covers the costs of spaying/neutering, testing, and vaccinating of animals prior to adoption, as well as treatment of medical conditions ranging from skin infections to orthopedic surgery. In 2022 the Medical Fund provided for 373 spay/neuters, with 309 done in the grant funded on-site surgical suite <https://www.nvcf.org/funds/Chico-Police-Department-Animal-Shelter-Medical>



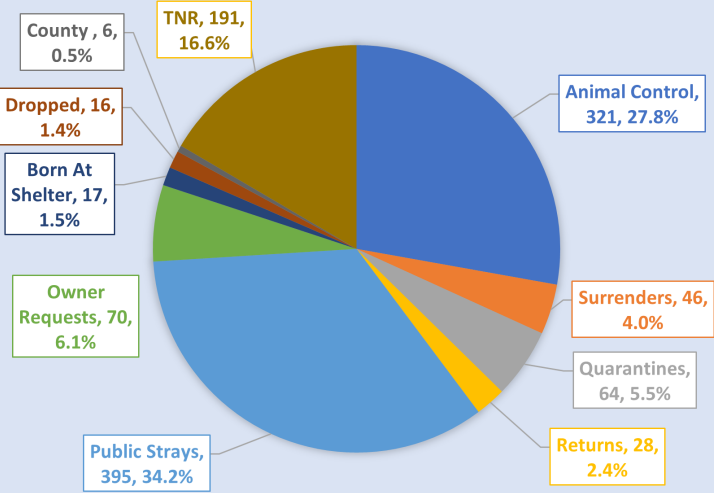
The Foundation Animal Shelter Fund helps provide items like ice blocks to cool off dogs during the summer and supplies for foster homes. <https://www.nvcf.org/funds/Chico-Police-Department-Foundation-Animal-Shelter>

The Animal Shelter Equipment Fund helps fund the purchase of one-time purchases of equipment. <https://www.nvcf.org/funds/Chico-Police-Department-Animal-Shelter-Equipment>

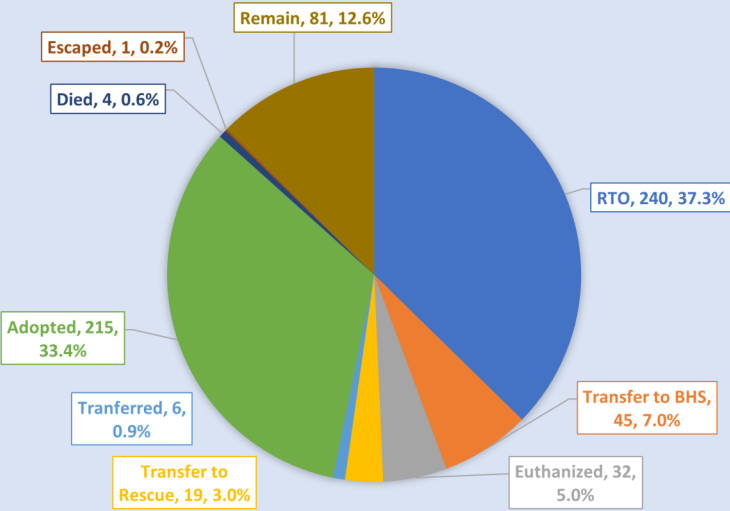


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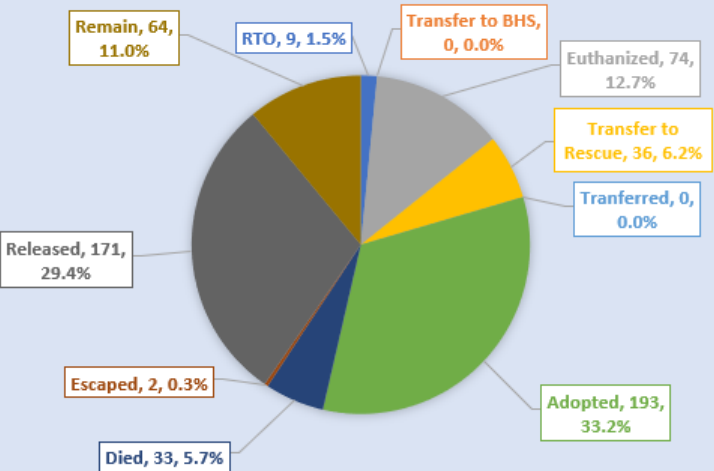
## INTAKES BY SOURCE



## DOG OUTCOMES 2022



## CAT OUTCOMES 2022





# VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICE (VIPS)






Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) is an organization made up of a diverse group of uniformed citizens dedicated to serving their community. VIPS assist the Chico Police Department by performing routine police functions to help the department provide quality law enforcement service in our community.

Duties include house/vacation watch, emergency callouts, special event detail, towing abandoned vehicles, LiveScan fingerprinting, Day and Night Patrol, Bidwell Park Bike Patrol, coordinating the Citizens Police Academy, and many other assignments. Assistance from VIPS allows police personnel to focus on proactive policing efforts.

The VIPS program is directly in line with the Community Policing philosophy of the Chico Police Department. VIPS are an integral part of the Chico Police

Department, promoting safety and awareness and enhancing police services, thereby creating a better relationship between the Police Department and the Chico community. The Chico Police Department could not accomplish its mission without the aid of the Volunteers in Police Service.



TOTALS	
 Volunteer Hours	7,628
 Volunteers	44
 Callouts	24

# CHICO POLICE CHAPLAINS ASSOCIATION



The Chico Police Chaplains Association exists to provide non-denominational physical, mental, and spiritual support to the City of Chico Police Department personnel and victims of crimes and tragedies in the greater Chico area. The Chaplains are all ordained ministers of varied religious organizations in Chico and serve on a volunteer basis.

Chaplains aid the law enforcement family in many ways, from counseling and spiritual support to comfort care, and enjoyment in the busy times of city-wide events. Chico Police Chaplains have ridden along for thousands of hours with officers on the beat; served officers meals during special operations; led in prayer over police memorials; counseled those suffering the natural severity of the profession; visited

sick and injured employees; and performed wedding and funeral services for department employees. Strict confidentiality is kept, pursuant to the pastoral confidentiality available as ordained ministers.

Chaplains also serve as an extension of the Chico Police Department to members of the public impacted by unexpected death, crimes of violence, and critical incidents. On-call hours are on a 24-hour basis and each Chaplain has duty days when they will respond as called out to enhance public safety and well-being in accordance with the mission of the police department.





# POLICE COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD (PCAB)

The Chico Police Department strongly embraces the philosophy of Community Policing in all its daily operations and functions. The Police Community Advisory Board (PCAB) is a link between the Chico community and its police department working to enhance communication and transparency between the department and the public.

The board is composed of diverse members who represent stakeholders in the Chico community. PCAB is a resource for the Chief in the development of community policing strategies and addressing community concerns. By working together, the police and the community can improve the quality of life in neighborhoods citywide.

In 2022, PCAB met to discuss a variety of topics including Officer Safety and Wellness and Support Service Units such as the Butte County Behavioral Health Mobile Crisis Team. PCAB released an annual report with a summary of the topics covered in 2021-2022, as well as recommendations to the Chico Chief of Police. The full report can be found on the City's website:

<https://chico.ca.us/police-community-advisory-board>



## BOARD MEMBERS



Giovanni Tricceri  
PCAB Chair



Kasey Reynolds  
Councilmember



Antonio  
Arreguin-Bermudez, PhD



Gloria Halley



Michael Lo



Scott Kennelly



Tray Robinson



Tom van Overbeek



Julia Yarbough



# JOIN OUR TEAM!

The Chico Police Department is comprised of dedicated sworn and civilian personnel committed to the safety and well-being of our community. The Chico Police Department continues to seek capable and confident individuals who would like to make a difference.



APPLY ONLINE AT:

<https://www.JoinChicoPD.com>

