



**MONTHLY REPORT**  
**By**  
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**INTRODUCTION:**

The monthly report is a monthly update of the activities of the City of Riverside Community Police Review Commission and gives the staff a chance to pass on information that they feel is important or noteworthy. The information provided in the twelve monthly reports forms the basis for the annual report.

**NACOLE:**

The CPRC was able to send a delegation to the NACOLE Conference in Miami, FL during the month of December. The conference proved to be very educational and afforded our commissioners the opportunity to network with other civilian oversight practitioners. The conference also provided an opportunity for commissioners to share some of their concerns with other practitioners, as well as learn how other jurisdictions are handling many of the same challenges faced by the Riverside CPRC. Former Attorney General Janet Reno was the keynote speaker. The Executive Director had the opportunity to participate in the elections for the 2006 NACOLE officers as well as network with key board members of the organization.

**CASE LOAD FOR 2005:**

The Riverside CPRC reviewed a total of 72 complaint cases in 2005 compared to 58 complaint cases in 2004. This represents an increase of 24%. The Commission also reviewed and adjudicated three Officer-Involved Death cases (OID). These were Volne Stokes, Rene Guevara and Summer Lane. The former cases were found to be "in policy" while the last case was found to be "out of policy." This marked the first time in the history of the CPRC that an OID case resulted in an "out of policy" decision by the Commission. Out of the 204 allegations reviewed by the Commission during 2005, the percentage for the top allegation categories are as follows:

- Improper Procedure – 41%
- Discourtesy – 19%
- Excessive Use of Force – 13%
- Criminal Conduct – 6%

Additional information and details of the 2005 caseload will be provided in our upcoming 2005 Annual Report due in March 2006.

**OUTREACH:**

The Executive Director and various commissioners attended 2 meetings or community events.

Meeting / Event	Activity
NACOLE Conference	Attended
New Officer Orientation	Presenter

A number of local organizations and groups have taken advantage of the opportunity to have CPRC commissioners come to their meetings and discuss the Commission and its work. If you would like to have a commissioner speak at one of your meetings, please call the office at (951) 826-5509.

## WORKLOAD – December 2005:

Cases Received	Lodged	Filed through CPRC	Filed through RPD
	3	1	10

A complaint is considered **lodged** when a citizen makes a complaint to the CPRC; it is **filed** when the completed complaint form is submitted.

Case Dispositions	Cases Reviewed	Withdrawn*	Administratively Closed**
	6	0	4

\***Withdrawn** complaint occurs when a member of the public requests to withdraw their complaint.

\*\***Administrative Closure** occurs when a case is closed for reasons other than being reviewed or being classified as Inquiries.

Allegations	U/F	Disc/SH	IDF	ISS	FA	FR	CC	MC
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12

**U/F** = Use of Force; **Disc/SH** = Discrimination/Sexual Harassment; **IDF** = Improper Discharge of Firearms; **ISS** = Illegal Search or Seizure;  
**FA** = False Arrest; **FR** = False Reporting; **CC** = Criminal Conduct; **MC** = Misconduct / Misconduct Noted;

Findings	Unfounded	Exonerated	Not Sustained	Sustained	Inquiry
	4	3	4	1	0

**Unfounded** - The alleged act did not occur. **Exonerated** - The alleged act occurred but was justified, legal and proper. **Not Sustained** - The investigation produced insufficient information to prove or disprove the allegation. **Sustained** - The Department member committed all or part of the alleged acts of misconduct or poor service. **Inquiry** - a member of the public is merely requesting clarification of a policy or procedure.

### Misconduct Noted

During investigations of alleged misconduct, all aspects of an officer's actions are inspected. When a policy violation is discovered beyond that alleged by the complainant, it is classified as "Misconduct Noted" and, by definition, is a "Sustained" finding. Of the cases reviewed this month, **no** allegations of "Misconduct Noted" were discovered.

### Cases on Hold

There are currently **no** cases on hold in our office. The Commission has either returned these cases to RPD for further investigation or they are being held pending further investigation by the CPRC investigator.

### Case Processing Analysis for Cases Reviewed in December 2005

This chart reflects the average number of days the Police Department and CPRC took to process Category 1 and Category 2 cases reviewed in December. These figures **do not** include cases that were held for further investigation.

	Category 1	Category 2
RPD investigation and administrative processing	56	98
CPRC processing and review	55	49

**Category 1** complaints are the most serious allegations such as criminal conduct and use of excessive force.

**Category 2** complaints are the less serious allegations such as discourtesy and improper procedure.

### Policy Recommendations

There were no policy recommendations made by the Commission in December 2005.