



# EUREKA POLICE DEPARTMENT

2019 IN REVIEW





## 2019 COMMUNICATIONS

Eureka Police and Fire Communications Center  
Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP).

- 30,536 911 calls
- 95,960 inbound and outbound administrative calls
- 126,496 total (Average of 346 a day)



# 2019 COMMUNICATIONS



**76,910 TOTAL INCIDENTS**

Average of 211 a day

- 87% Police in Nature
- 13% Fire and Medical

8% increase compared to 2018



# 2019 PATROL STATISTICS



Photo by Lost Coast Outpost

## 67,253 POLICE INCIDENTS

Average of 184 a day

## 42,715 CALLS FOR SERVICE

- 64% of total

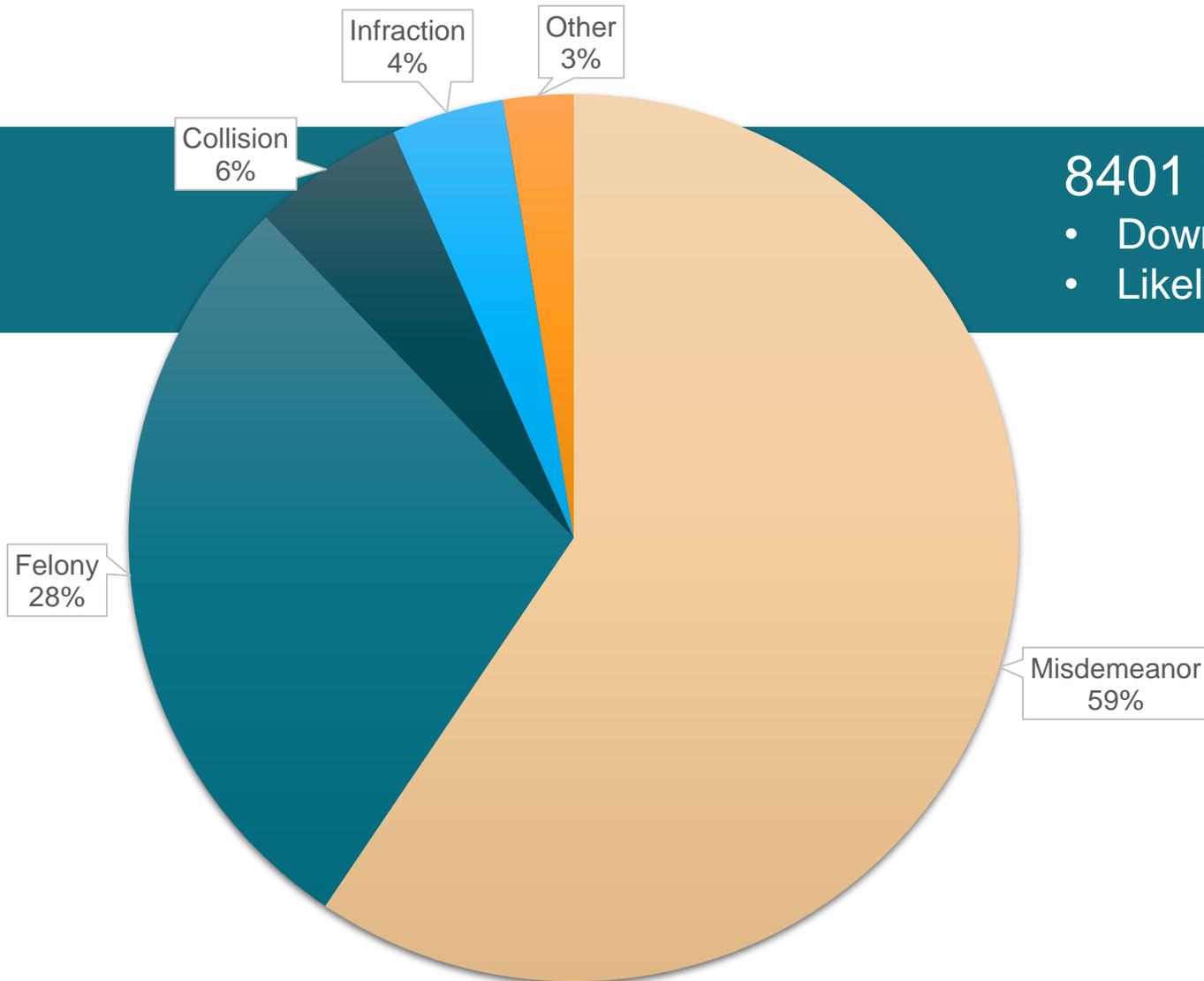
## 24,538 OFFICER-INITIATED

- 36% of total
- Increase of 4,488 (22%) compared to 2018\*
  - 25% traffic stops
  - 75% other officer-initiated (field interview, vehicle investigation, etc.)

*\*Likely due to the first full year of CSET proactive contacts*



# 2019 REPORTS



## 8401 Total Reports Taken

- Down 400 compared to 2018
- Likely due to reduction in EMC Infractions



# 2019 ARRESTS & CITATIONS



**4,579** TOTAL ARRESTS

Average of 13 a day

**1,068** FELONY

- 23% of total

**3,511** MISDEMEANOR

- 77% of total

**3,522** INDIVIDUAL JAIL BOOKINGS

More than double any other agency in Humboldt

**2,661** CITATIONS

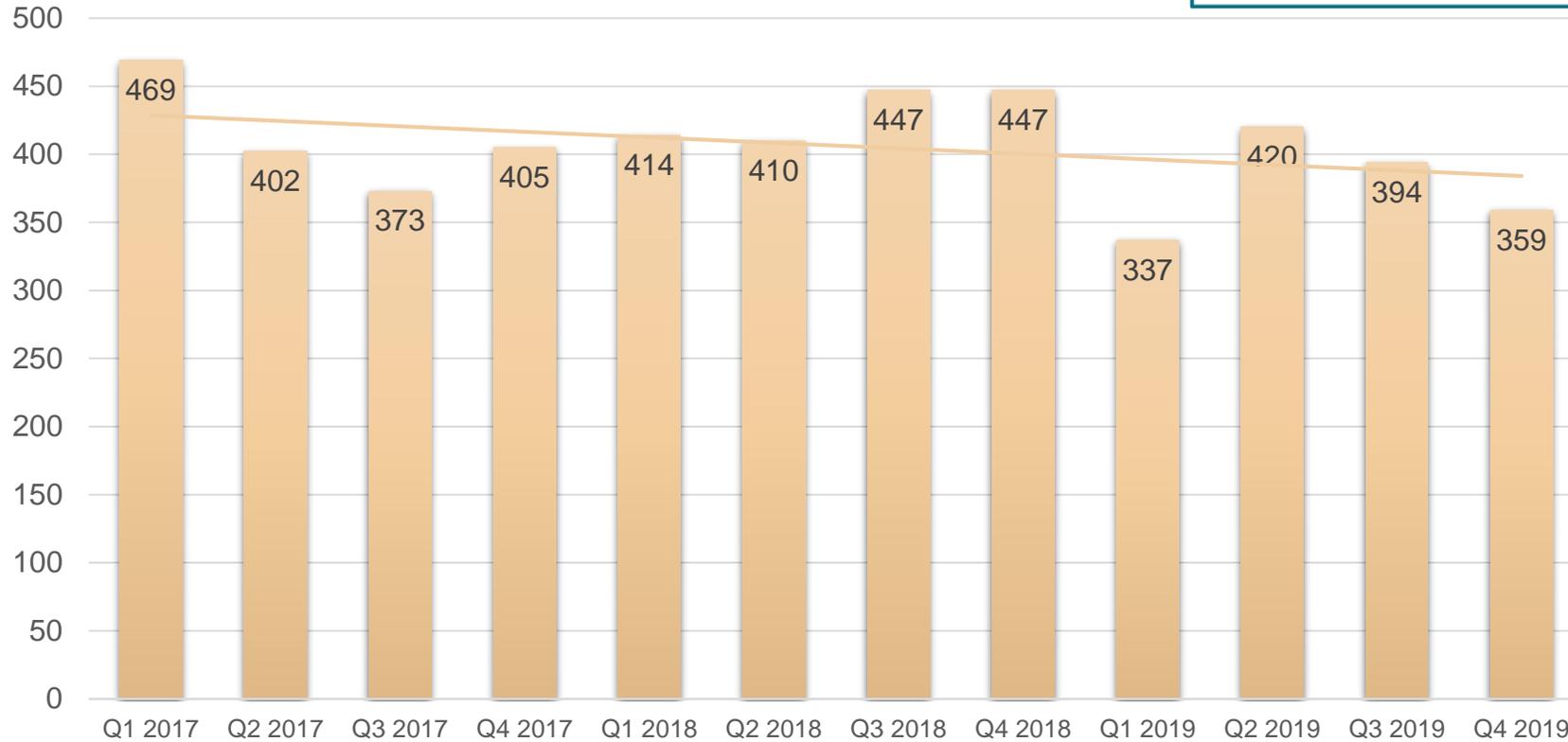
- 71% Traffic
- 19% Other
- 10% Eureka Municipal Codes



# PART 1 CRIMES

**10% overall reduction** in Part 1 crimes compared to 2018. Compared to a 3 year average (19, 18, 17), 2019 was 7% lower than the average.

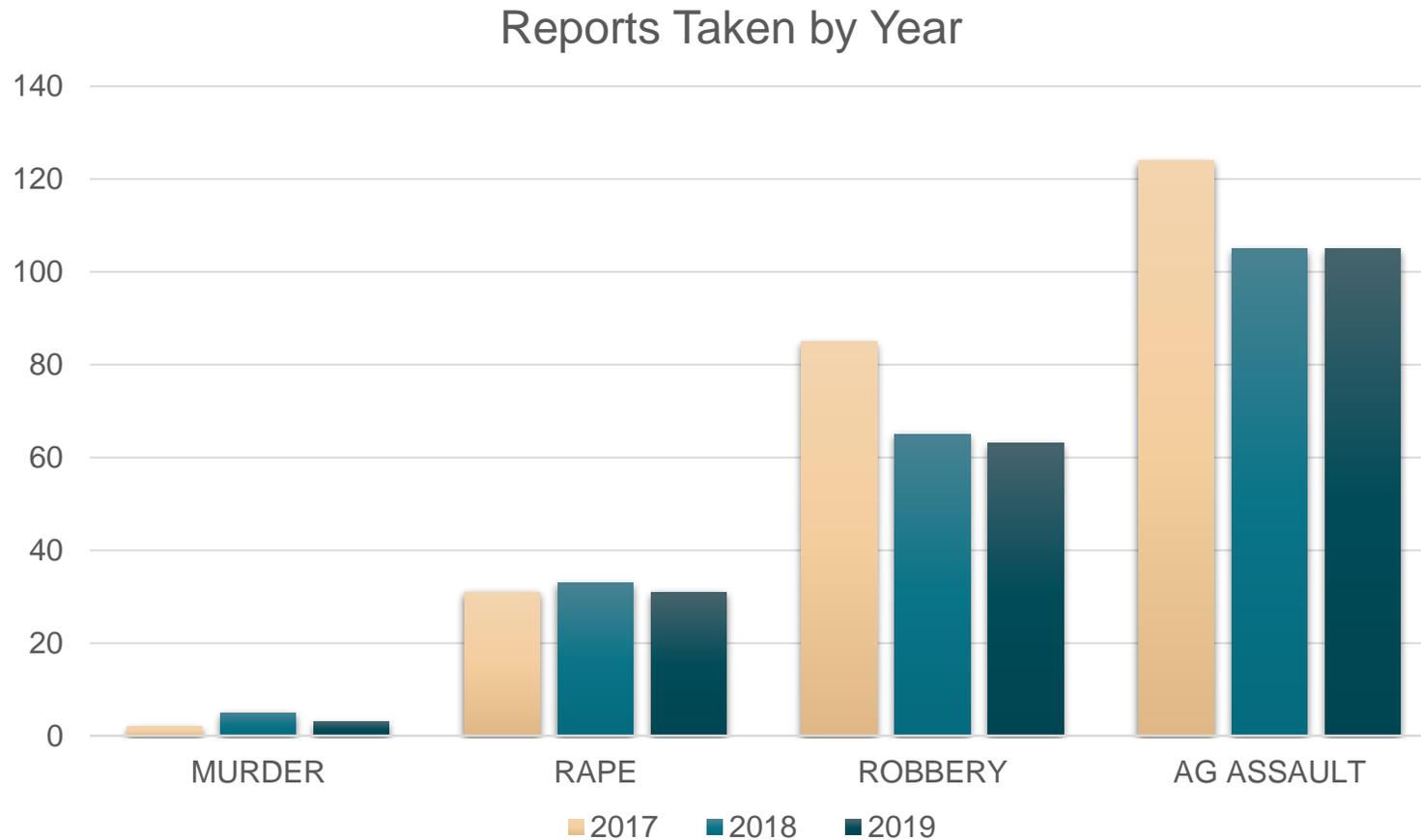
Part 1 Crimes by Quarter



The City of Eureka is trending down in overall Part 1 Crimes  
The FBI Uniform Crime Report (UCR) Part 1 Crimes include: murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, and vehicle theft.



# VIOLENT CRIME



Robbery and Aggravated Assaults saw significant decreases in 2018 and 2019 compared to 2017 likely due to the prosecution of several prolific robbers.



# VIOLENT CRIME

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- **25% reduction in robbery** reports in 2019 and 2018 compared to 2017
- **15% reduction in aggravated assault** reports in 2019 compared to 2018



# 2019 PROPERTY CRIME

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## 186 Stolen Vehicles

- Average of 16 a month
- 10% Reduction compared to 2018
- 94% Recovery Rate



## 109 Residential Burglaries

- Average of 9 a month
- 33% Reduction compared to 2018



## 980 Larceny Reports

- Average of 82 a month
- Makes up 72% of all property crime
- Makes up 62% of all reported crime



# EUREKA POLICE DEPARTMENT



# STAFFING

From June 2018 – Feb. 2020, EPD has successfully welcomed 22 new members to our family.



# STAFFING: SWORN

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For Fiscal Year 2019/20, EPD is allocated 49 fulltime sworn positions including:

- 38 Police Officers (excludes new fully funded Measure Z Parks/Waterfront Ranger)
- 9 Police Sergeants
- 2 Police Captains

This is down from a high of 54 allocated sworn positions in FY 2017/18\*

*(\*In June 2018, City Council adopted a Resolution approving a 5% base salary increase for EPOA sworn officer and dispatcher positions to improve recruitment and retention efforts. The cost was covered by salary savings from 4 police officer positions that were unallocated)*



# STAFFING: SWORN



With the hiring of two entry level officers on February 1, 2020, all allocated sworn officer positions are currently filled +1.

- 7 of these officers are currently in field training and an 8<sup>th</sup> still has to complete the basic police academy (due to graduate in June 2020)
- It is important to note this is a constant work in progress and can quickly change (due to pending retirements and resignations)



# STAFFING: DISPATCH

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For Fiscal Year 2019/20, EPD is allocated 12 Communications Center personnel:

- Communications Manager
- 4 Senior Dispatchers
- 7 Communications Dispatchers

EPD dispatchers are the only ones in Humboldt County who dispatch for all three disciplines—police, fire and medical.

- This requires a substantially higher and more costly level of training and expertise
- It also increased the stress and trauma they are exposed to



# STAFFING: DISPATCH

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- Currently, 9 of 11 total dispatcher positions are filled
  - 2 Senior Dispatchers
  - 6 regular Dispatchers
  - 1 new Dispatcher in CTO training
- We are working diligently to fill the remaining vacant positions as a top priority (recruiting and retention remains a major challenge\*)



\*In June 2019, EPD's emergency dispatch center hit critically low staffing levels with 5 of 11 dispatcher positions being vacant. The creation of an innovative new Communications Dispatcher Trainee Classification has helped.



# STAFFING FOR EXCELLENCE

