INDEPENDENT POLICE AUDITOR

The mission of the San José Independent Police Auditor is to provide independent oversight of the police misconduct complaint process to ensure its fairness, thoroughness, and objectivity.

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The Independent Police Auditor (IPA) provides the public with an objective review of police misconduct investigations in order to instill confidence in the complaint process and to provide independent oversight. In addition, the IPA conducts outreach to the San José community, proposes recommendations to improve San José Police Department (SJPD) policies and procedures, prepares annual public reports about complaint trends, and works to strengthen the relationship between the SJPD and the community it serves.

In 2013-14, operating expenditures for the IPA totaled just over \$1.1 million, an increase of 12 percent compared to 2012-13 and 63 percent compared to ten years earlier. The IPA had 6 authorized positions in 2013-14, one fewer than in 2012-13.

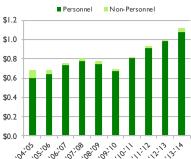
In 2013-14, the number of complaints received from the public regarding SJPD officers decreased 2 percent from 345 in 2012-13 to 339. Complaints were up 24 percent compared to five years earlier. The number of people receiving IPA outreach services at community events or meetings increased by 17 percent from 9,322 in 2012-13 to 10,861 in 2013-14. Over the past decade, the number of people attending outreach events has more than doubled.

Complaints Received and IPA Audits

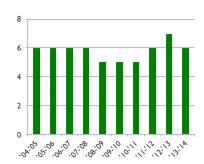


Note: The IPA audits only those complaints classified as "conduct complaints" or "policy complaints. In general, the SJPD must complete its complaint investigation within one year from the date that the complaint was received. Thus, complaints received in one fiscal year may not be closed and audited until the following fiscal year.

IPA Operating Expenditures (\$millions)



IPA Authorized Positions



Individuals Receiving Outreach Services at Community Events/Meetings

