

CITY OF TULIA POLICE DEPARTMENT



2023 ANNUAL REPORT

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF



The Tulia Police Department is committed to providing the best quality police services for our community and visitors. We take pride in recognizing the best practices, striving for continuous improvement and building on accomplishments from the past.

The 2023 Annual Report is a reflection of how the department functioned throughout the year and the accomplishments achieved. As we reflect on the information provided in this report, we look to the future to improve the services the department currently provides and hopes to provide in 2024.

~ Chief Paul Brown

INTRODUCTION

The Tulia Police Department is a full-service police agency, providing a variety of services for the community including:

- 24-Hour uniformed patrols by professional, sworn police staff
- 24-Hour communications center operated by state certified telecommunicators
- Animal Control operations that is responsible for the effective and humane care of animals, enforcement of city ordinances and State law.

Entering 2024 Tulia Police Department staffing is as follows

- Tulia Police Department is authorized 10 sworn positions. Currently the department is staffed at 9.
- Tulia Police Department is authorized 5 telecommunicators. Currently the department is staffed at 4.
- Tulia Police Department is authorized 1 animal control officer and is fully staffed.
- Tulia Police Department is authorized 1 administrative assistant and is fully staffed.

DEPARTMENT STATEMENTS

Our Vision

Our vision is a community partnership where the public has full faith and confidence in its police department to provide an atmosphere where people feel safe, secure, and acknowledged.

Our Mission

Our mission is to serve in partnership and with the support of our community, in an effort to protect all citizens. We will recognize and respect the constitutional rights of all and will uphold local, state and federal laws, while maintaining the highest professional and ethical standard.

Our Core Values

Our Core Values Honor, Unity, and Integrity.

Our Philosophy

We are committed to maintaining high ethical standards by conducting ourselves with integrity, compassion and accountability.

We, both as individuals and as an organization, strive to be leaders in our profession and in the community we serve. Effective leadership will model the way, enable others to act and inspire a shared vision.

We endorse the principles embodied in our Constitution. We respect and protect the rights of all persons, and we endeavor to ensure the safety, security and protection of life and property.

Integrity is central to the values we embrace and establishes the foundation for community trust.

We are accountable to each other and to the community we serve, and we expect ethical, legal and moral behavior in all aspects of our lives.

We strive to maintain the highest quality of life for all that reside within and visit our community. Our values guide our work and decisions, help us contribute to the quality of life and promote a positive work experience.

Our Approaches

Vigorously pursue criminals and those that harm our community.

Demonstrate proactive, progressive, and preventative policing at all levels.

Maximize the use of technology to achieve effectiveness and efficiency.

Utilize problem solving techniques to address issues of crime and disorder.

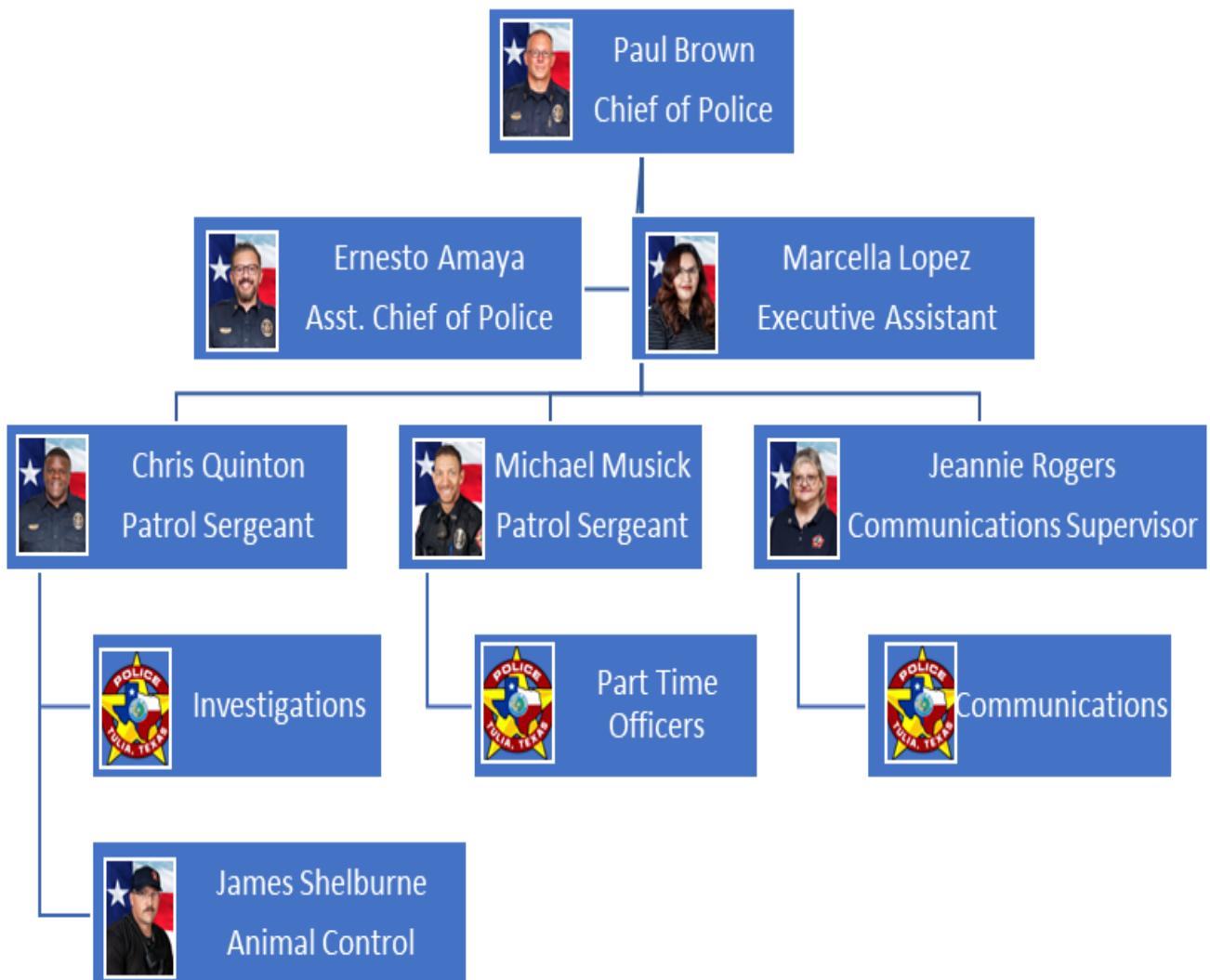
Foster an organizational culture of integrity and accountability through leadership.

Invest in the community by promoting cooperation and trust with our citizens.

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In 2023, The Tulia Police Department focused on technology to assist with better serving our community. We recognized that through technology we could accomplish our mission without having a detrimental impact on the City budget.

The department partnered with Kologik software for Record Management Systems (RMS) and Peace Maker Technologies for in car hardware. Combining the two will allow officers to work from their patrol vehicles, rather than returning to the office after each call to complete the report. This makes us more efficient and keeps officers visible in the community, therefore deterring criminal activity. The technology also decreases the work load on our communications center. With Kologik, we now can partner and share information with all other departments on the Kologik system, including Swisher County Sheriff's Office, Briscoe County Sheriff's Office and Dimmitt Police Department. In total there are over 800 agencies in the State of Texas using Kologik software.

Peace Maker Technologies brings the actual computers and ticket writers into the vehicle. Having electronic citations allows us to better and more efficiently work with the City of Tulia Municipal Court and enables those issued citations a more efficient way to take care of that citation. Peace Maker also keeps track of all racial profiling data. We now have the capability to pull racial profiling data on the department as a whole or an individual officer at anytime. Previously this was only accessible at the end of the calendar year. By having this resource, we are far more transparent with the community, and can address problems the moment they arise.

In this report we will outline how the Tulia Police Department is reducing crime, the fear of crime and improving the relationships between the police department and the community.

Total Calls Received for service	2022	2023	Difference %
	5,993	6,417	+7% or +432 Calls
Incident Reports By Tulia PD	2022	2023	Difference %
*TISD PD Established late 2022	710	662	-7% or -48 Reports Taken

Arrest 2022	Arrests	Male	Female	White	Black	Indian	Asian	Unknown
CITATION	72	40	31	56	13	0	0	3
ON VIEW	61	41	20	48	13	0	0	0
SUMMONED / CITED	15	7	8	13	1	0	0	1
TAKEN INTO CUSTODY	57	41	16	38	18	0	0	1
UNKNOWN	9	5	4	4	5	0	0	0
WARRANT	74	50	24	56	17	0	0	1
Total	288	184	103	215	67	0	0	6



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ARREST (CONT.)

Arrest 2023									
Arrest Type	Arrests	Male	Female	White	Black	Indian	Asian	Unknown	
CITATION	91	59	32	79	12	0	0	0	
ON VIEW	58	48	10	45	12	0	0	1	
SUMMONED / CITED	15	10	5	10	5	0	0	0	
TAKEN INTO CUSTODY	97	69	28	74	22	0	0	1	
UNKNOWN	12	8	4	6	4	0	0	2	
WARRANT	41	23	18	37	4	0	0	0	
Total	314	217	97	251	59	0	0	4	
Arrest Totals by Year	2022			2023			Difference %		
	288			314			+8%		

Major Crimes

Murder	2022	2023	Difference %	Rape	2022	2023	Difference %
	2	1	-50%		3	1	-66%
Robbery	2022	2023	Difference %	Burglary	2022	2023	Difference %
	2	2	0%		39	13	-66%
MV Theft	2022	2023	Difference %	Arson	2022	2023	Difference %
	10	7	-30%		1	0	-100%
Human Tfkng	2022	2023	Difference				
	0	0	0%				
Citations	2022			2023			Difference %
	492			680			+32%



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Telecommunications:

The Mission of the Tulia Police Department Telecommunications Center is to protect life and property and to assist agencies that depend on Tulia Police Department Telecommunications Center for first responder information.

Tulia Police Department Telecommunications Center dispatches for 17 entities in Swisher and Briscoe Counties. They answer all incoming phone calls for both counties, 9-1-1 calls and maintain TCIC files for Swisher County, Briscoe County, Kress PD and Happy PD.

Total Phone Calls Rcvd	2022	2023	Difference %
*Does not include 9-1-1	20,650	29,344	+30% or +8,694 calls

Total 9-1-1 Calls Rcvd	2022	2023	Difference %
	3,372	4,029	+18% or +657 calls

Animal Control:

The mission of the Tulia Animal Control is to protect and advocate for companion animals in need, and to build a humane community that promotes compassion and seeks to strengthen the human-animal bond.

The Tulia Animal Control is housed and supervised with the Tulia Police Department. The pound is located at 1480 NW 6th Street.

	Loose Dog	Re-Claims	Trap Request	Owner Surr.	Euthanasia	Bite Report	Adoptions
2022	156	44	26	49	11	6	21
2023	125	51	41	56	5	6	46
Difference	-20%	+15%	+45%	+13%	-75%	0%	+119%

Citations	2022	2023	Difference %
	20	24	8%