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Reference: Calls for Services at/around 2903 Hamilton Street

Executive Summary

A review of arrests and calls for service data for the last three years in the Hamilton Street area clearly shows that this area is an excessive burden to the city and police department resources. 18% of all the department's arrests and 10% of our calls for service emanate from this relatively small area. The police department has been attempting to reduce the calls in this area and improve the quality of life issues with the use of the Community Police Problem solving model "S.A.R.A," Scanning-Analysis-Response-Assessment. This ongoing project shows that arrests have dropped, but our CFS (calls for service) have increased. We are going to recommend the Community Action Team look deeper into the statistics to help the police department restructure our response.

Report

I was requested to review the CFS in and around the address of 2903 Hamilton Street. The Police Department's current Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) system and Records Management System (RMS) came online on October 25, 2016. Our research and records reflected in this report start on that date through December 31, 2019.

The area that was researched includes the "triangle" area encompassed by the 2900, 3000, and 3100 Blocks of Hamilton Street, the 5300 and 5400 blocks of Ager Road, and the 5300 block of Queens Chapel Road.

Two broad categories were queried in this geographical area. Arrests and CFS. Arrests were divided into four areas, Warrants, Criminal Citations, On-View, and Driving Under the Influence (DUI).

The second category is CFS. CFS are listed by call type; the dispatcher determines this.



In addition to the search of the “triangle” area described above, the exact address of 2903 Hamilton Street was searched to specifically see what calls were strictly associated with that address.

Arrest data in the “triangle.”

Total Arrests Hamilton Street triangle – Hamilton Street, Queens Chapel Rd, and Ager Rd

	Warrants	Criminal Citations	On-View	DUI	Totals
2016	5	12	1	0	18
2017	27	30	59	13	129
2018	26	87	36	1	150
2019	31	35	25	2	93
	89	164	121	16	390

Arrests with the exact address of 2903 Hamilton Street

	Warrants	Criminal Citations	On-View	DUI	Totals
2016	0	0	0	0	0
2017	2	2	6	0	10
2018	4	4	3	0	11
2019	2	1	0	1	4
	8	7	9	1	25

The arrests made in this small geographical triangle represents almost 18% of the arrests made in the city in 2018.

The data for alcohol-related CFS and arrest is not readily available. It is certain from interviews with officers that most of our CFS anecdotally have alcohol/drugs as a contributing factor.

The alcohol citation data that is available reveals that between 2017 to 2019 that 103 citations were issues for alcohol related offenses in the “triangle”. Our records indicate that 107 were issued citywide.

The total CFS in the “triangle” average is 2612 (not including 2016) of the approximately 25,000 CFS the department responds to each year. This represents 10% of all the calls responded to across the city.

	CFS
2016	462
2017	2513
2018	2524
2019	2801
	8300



An examination of the calls that were received from the exact address of Lee's Restaurant from October 2016 to December 31, 2019, reveals the following breakdown.

CFS at 2903 Hamilton St. from Oct 2016 to December 2019	
911 DISCONNECT	5
ACCIDENT	9
ADDED INFORMATION	2
ARMED PERSON	7
ASSAULT	12
ASSIST	8
Assist the Fire Dept	8
CDS COMPLAINT	3
CHECK WELFARE	12
DISORDERLY	39
DWI DRIVER	4
FIGHT	27
FOOT PATROL	6
FOUND	1
HIT AND RUN	11
INJURED PERSON	10
LOITERING COMPLAINT	24
LOST PROPERTY	2
MISC POLICE INCIDENT	7
PREMISE CHECK	24
PROPERTY DAMAGE	5
REPORTED CIT ROBBERY	1
SHOPLIFTING	2
SUBJECT STOP	53
SUICIDE	1
SUSPICIOUS AUTO	113
T - Traffic Stop	50
911 DISCONNECT	5
ACCIDENT	9
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Clearly, this area needs resources from the city, with many other agencies assisting. Even with the non-stop efforts by the police department over the last many years, we cannot “enforce” our way out the problem.

As stated in the executive summary, when staffing permits, we are going to redouble our efforts with the S.A.R.A model to identify specific causality, then identify the proper resources to address these underlining issues.

