



# SALT LAKE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

**City Council Update – September 21, 2012**

Chief Mike Brown

# Park Safety in SLC

- There are approximately 100 parks of varying sizes within City limits.
- These parks account for approximately 735 acres of land.
- SLCPD Park Bike Squad formed in 2019.



# Park Safety in SLC | Park Bike Squad

- The Park Bike Squad is committed to proactive, community-based policing.
- Our parks face a wide range of issues including drug use, illegal camping, and rare occurrences of violent behavior.
- Keeping the parks clear of criminal activity and illegal camps from takeover requires a constant presence.





# Park Safety in SLC | Park Bike Squad

## Day-in-time snapshot of Park Bike Squad

- August 26, 2021
- Parks patrolled: Popperton, Fairmont, Liberty, Sugarhouse, Wasatch Hollow Natural Area, Sunnyside Park, SLC Cemetery, Lindsey Gardens, 11<sup>th</sup> Ave, Pioneer, and Warms Springs



# Park Safety in SLC | Park Bike Squad

- The Park squad is unable to give the required attention to the Parks because majority of their time is spent assisting Patrol with the extensive backlog for calls for service
- To maintain the level of safety and order the SLC Parks deserve, the Park Squad will need to spend more time actively patrolling the Parks, and off the radio.
- Officers work with community members to take reports and get park updates.

Call Designation	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	5 Yr Avg	% Change
	Week 37							
Call For Service	1949	2038	2154	2171	2588	2822	2180	29%
OnView	1250	1515	1023	1366	909	987	1212.6	-19%

Call Type	2020	2021	Diff	% Change
	Week 37			
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	177	176	-1	-1%
TRANSIENT PROBLEM 1047 PP10	76	155	79	104%
CELL 911 HANGUP	95	133	38	40%
UNWANTED PERSON PP10 PP80 TP50	126	111	-15	-12%
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES 1047 SC50	101	103	2	2%





# Case Example:

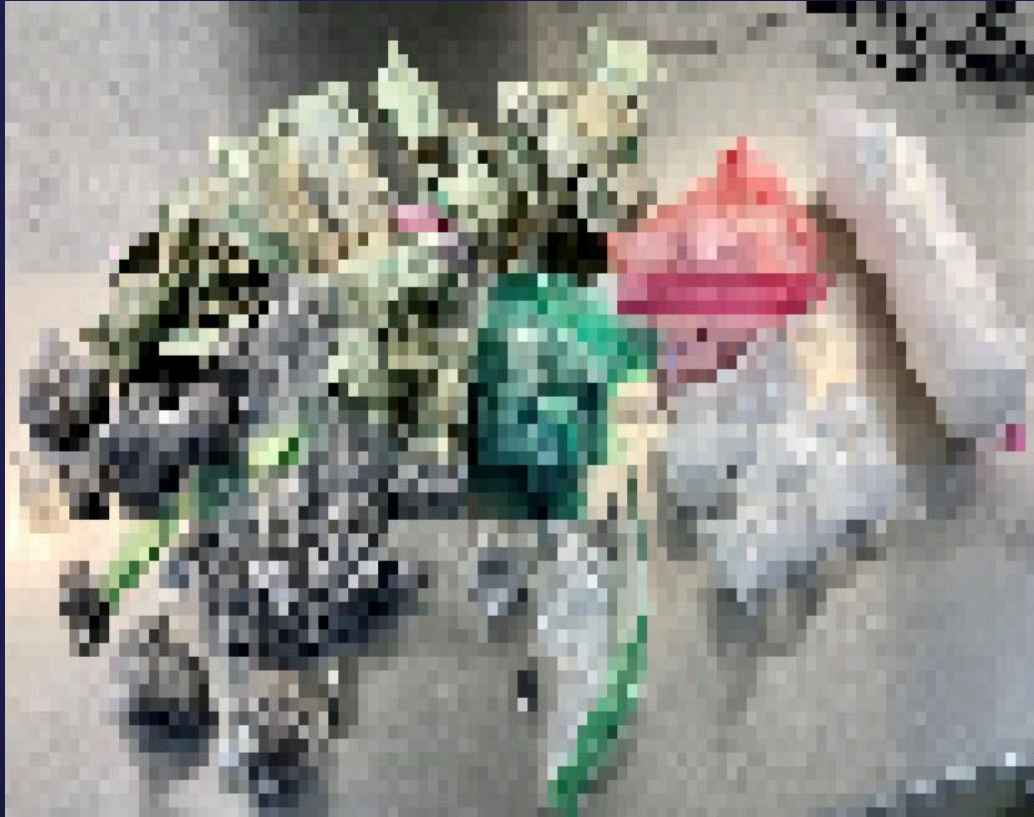
## Liberty Park Shooting (September 12)



- Sunday afternoon shooting.
- Multiple reports of shots fired in the park near the drum circle; no injuries.
- Officers' fast response and information from the community resulted in the suspect being arrested & firearm seized.



# Case Example: On-going Street Crimes Investigation



*\*Photo and park name redacted because of the ongoing investigation.*

- Pioneer, Central and the Park Bike Squads along with the Special Investigations Squad conducted a narcotics operation at two local parks\* .
- Multiple people were arrested.
- 793 grams of meth, 501 grams of heroin, 29 grams of spice, 150 oxycodone pills and \$5,319.00 in cash were seized.
- Investigation is ongoing.





# Focus Area Patrols Around Parks

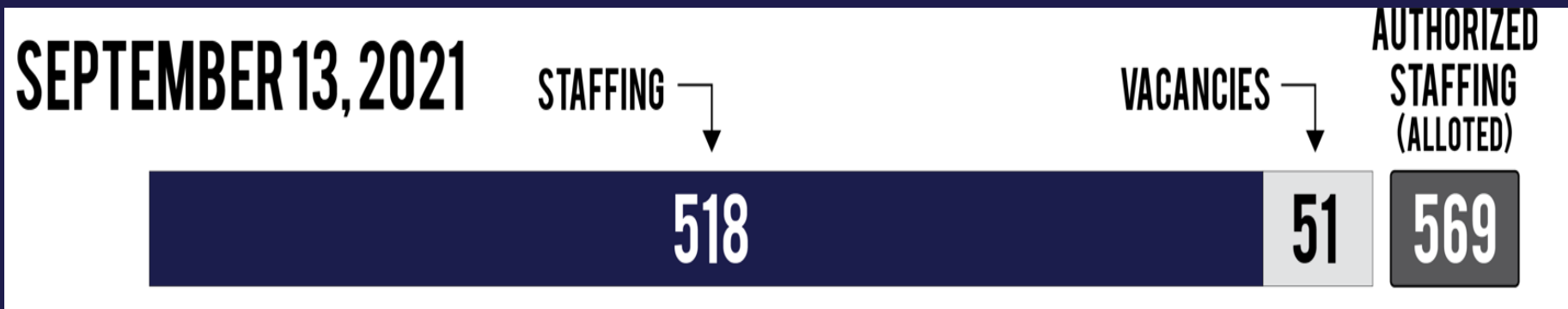


- On Monday, two officers working a Park shift at Tauffer Park recognized a suspicious vehicle
- Attempted a traffic stop but vehicle fled
- Suspect driver crashed into three vehicles
- Suspect arrested, booked on new charges and several felony and misdemeanor warrants
- Focus areas on Downtown Crime Mitigation and Community Reestablishment includes Tauffer Park and Pioneer Park.





# Staffing Update



## Recruitment Class 153.



Est. 19 officers in training will be eligible to take calls for service on their own by January 2022

## Recruitment Class 154.



Est. 21 officers in training will be eligible to take calls for service on their own by June of 2022

## Lateral Academy Starting Oct. 11, 2021



Est. 06 lateral officers in training will be eligible to take calls for service in November 2021

## Lateral Academy Starting Late 2021/Early 2022

We are projecting to run a Lateral Academy Class with hopefully 20 hires

## Recruitment Class 155

We are projecting to run Recruitment Class 155 with a maximum of 30 new hires starting January of 2022

## Recruitment Class 156

We are projecting to run Recruitment Class 156 of a maximum of 30 new hires starting May of 2022



# Questions

- Note: All the investigations listed here are on-going and specific information cannot be released.

