OBJECTIVE
The West Sacramento Police Department has implemented policies and protocols and has initiated additional programs and activities to fulfill directives and recommendations set forth through State and Federal initiatives. The purpose of this report is to provide a quarterly update and elicit City Council’s input regarding the current and future direction of these efforts.

RECOMMENDED ACTION
Staff respectfully recommends that the City Council receive the 2019 fourth quarter (Q4) report on 21st Century Policing, a City Council 2016 Strategic Plan high priority item, and provide appropriate feedback, if any.

BACKGROUND
The U.S. Department of Justice’s (DOJ) publication of the President’s Task Force on 21st Century Policing (May 2015) emphasizes the importance of building strong relationships between law enforcement and the communities they serve. The intent of this initiative is to promote transparency, accountability and community engagement in order to develop and maintain public trust. It endorses a series of measures, referred to as “pillars,” which outline recommendations for law enforcement agency practices. The Department values its relationship with the public and recognizes that a healthy community-police relationship is a cornerstone of effective public safety services.

On April 20, 2016, Department staff presented information regarding the President’s Task Force on 21st Century Policing and California Assembly Bill 953 (AB 953), known as the Racial and Identity Profiling Act of 2015 (RIPA). Per Council request, the Department has been providing quarterly reports on the City’s crime data and the statistical data and analysis associated with 21st Century Policing and RIPA requirements. These comprehensive reports have proven to be a beneficial mechanism for informing and soliciting input from Council and the community and directing attention and resources to issues identified during the reporting process.

ANALYSIS
The following overview of Department efforts reflects and exemplifies the desire to align with and exceed many of the recommendations of the 21st Century Policing report.

Pillar 1 - Building Trust and Legitimacy
Collecting and reporting the data associated with RIPA and overall Department activities will help the Department, City leadership and our community better assess the legitimacy of police activities. Although the State mandate demands that this information be reported to State DOJ, it is important that this information is available and actionable for the Department. To that end, the Department has been working on methods to capture, analyze and display RIPA and other public contact data as a means to evaluate the efficacy of policing efforts. Although technology-enabled data capture is ideal and has been conceptualized, it has not yet been pursued as a priority relative to other demands with City IT staff. Staff continues to gather the currently tabulated data through existing reports and the completion of handwritten field contact cards, and then manually aggregates the data with the assistance of available software.
This report contains the currently accessible data required by RIPA and an overview of the current crime data for Q4. The Department continues to pursue enhanced methods of data capture and analysis to produce the most comprehensive reporting possible given the technological and analytical challenges associated with this endeavor.

**RIPA Executive Summary**

The Department calculates the racial demography of incidents that result in Field Interviews (FIs), Citations and Arrests within each racial category. The purpose is to watch for fluctuations across the categories such as an increase or decrease within a particular race.

Notable in this quarter’s reporting is the overall disparity between the census-based population of Black/African American residents and the categories the Department currently monitors (citations, arrests and field contact cards.) The Department will continue to monitor this disparity to examine potential causative or correlative factors. It is also worth noting that a similar finding was noted in the recent annual RIPA report issued by the California DOJ which reported on the aggregated data of the “first wave” of agencies (the eight largest California law enforcement agencies (see Attachment 4). This may suggest that a myriad of contributing societal or justice system factors influence these outcomes. The Department will continue to track the statewide data and analysis as it continues to compare local findings against statewide trends.

In the three categories currently analyzed, the distribution of contacts followed closely with trends that have remained consistent over the past few years. The following is a brief description of the data captured in these three areas. Further detail is available in Attachment 3.

**Field Interview Cards (FI's)** – Throughout calendar year 2019 all demographic categories remained under a 5% fluctuation range quarter to quarter, except for White which had a 7% fluctuation range.

**Arrests** – The American Indian, Asian and Other/Unknown categories remained relatively consistent over the last four quarters. Both Black and White had a fluctuation of 6%, which Hispanic experienced a 4% fluctuation.

**Citations** – All racial categories had minimal fluctuations except for Hispanic and White, which experienced 5% fluctuations. Other/Unknown had a 6% fluctuation.

The Department also calculates the percentage breakdown across the three geographical “beats” within the city to watch for fluctuations within each area. The distribution of FIs, Arrests and Citations across the beats has remained consistent over the last four quarters in spite of variances in overall volume in each category.

**Crime Executive Summary**

**Total Crime Year to Date 2018 vs. 2019**

Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) standards are a series of annual criminological studies prepared by the FBI. UCR contains official data on crime that is reported to law enforcement agencies across the United States. **Part I crime** is defined by the UCR to include homicide, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny theft, motor vehicle theft and arson.

In 2019 there was a 9% increase in total Part I crime compared to 2018. There was a 16% decrease in violent crime (a decrease of 35 incidents), however, there was a 13% increase in property crime (an increase of 143 incidents), which drove the overall increase in crime.
Q4-19 Total Part I Crimes by Type

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Violent Crime
In Q4-19, the city experienced 21 robberies, 12 of which resulted in arrest.
In Q4-19, there were 25 aggravated assaults, 14 of which resulted in arrests.
The distribution of violent crime incidents across the three city beats remained consistent, with Beats 1 and 2 registering the highest number of violent crimes.

Property Crime
The Q4-19 property crime total is higher than the previous two years, with a 14% increase as compared to the Q4-18 total and a 39% increase as compared to Q4-17. Consistent with historical trends, beats 1 and 2 remained the most impacted areas of the city in regard to property crime.
The Department utilizes the Compstat process to analyze data associated with calls for service, enforcement and investigative outcomes, special and other anticipated events and other factors to effect data-driven or intelligence-driven resource deployments. These deployments may address quality of life issues, violent or property crimes, or procedural issues. These can be reactive deployments to clusters or trends identified in data analysis or proactive or preventative deployments. As the result of discussions in weekly Department meetings, Compstat “tasks” can be created whereby specific actions are requested by Department members.

Compstat analysis and meetings produced 14 tasks during Q4-19. Six of these tasks were related to vehicle burglaries or theft of motor vehicle parts, specifically catalytic converters. The theft of catalytic converters from Toyota Prius’ is a regional trend and is being addressed by Yolo County’s Special Investigations Unit in collaboration with a Sacramento County special taskforce. Four of the tasks in Q4-19 addressed traffic related concerns and four addressed burglaries and trespassing at various locations throughout the city.

Traffic Executive Summary
In addition to crime activity, it is important to recognize traffic related statistics as they also impact the daily lives of those who travel throughout the city.

TRAFFIC COLLISIONS AND CITATIONS

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While the Traffic Unit remained short one officer due to a promotion, patrol accounted for the increase in overall citations. There was a decrease in traffic collisions in areas identified during the previous quarter. A new Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) grant period began and one DUI checkpoint was conducted as part of the grant.

Due to complaints generated from businesses in the areas of the Riverside Parkway and Embarcadero, the Traffic Unit continued to work with the City Manager’s Office and the Economic Development Department to address ongoing parking issues. Signage was posted that enabled effective enforcement.

A significant amount of staff time was focused on planning and managing special events including a Morelia vs. Chivas soccer match and a Valdivia Latin concert at Sutter Health Park.

**Pillar 2 - Policy and Oversight**

**Risk Management**

In Q4-19 the department took steps to advance risk management with the development and implementation of the Professional Standards and Training Division. The division will focus on the alignment of training, policy, accreditation and professionalism within the Department. This will create a consistent focus on the implementation of best practices and verify their use to mitigate risk. The division will be supervised by a Lieutenant and will encompass training, accreditation, policy, human resources and professional standards.

**Accreditation**

Policies regarding training and education as well as lesson plans and training materials from Firearms, Defensive Tactics and Tactical Communication were reviewed in light of Senate Bill (SB) 978. This was done to ensure compliance by the Department and any necessary changes or updates were implemented. In addition to the yearly review of each major policy, such as Use of Force, Vehicle Pursuits and Firearms, the Department continues to review all policies and distributes them regularly to all personnel for their review and signature of acceptance. The Department’s entire policy is available online through the City’s webpage, which also maintains compliance with SB 978.

**Pillar 3 - Technology and Social Media**

The Department continues to promote the use of social media for community outreach and connection. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Nextdoor platforms are used to share community events such as Coffee with a Cop and community meetings, solicit community input and assistance through community surveys and missing persons posts, and to share what is happening in the City and Department. In addition to general information, the department uses social media to provide the public with specific information regarding specific crimes. During this quarter, the department used social media to advise the public of a regional trend of catalytic converter thefts from Toyota Prius vehicles. Another post regarding a specific crime trend was regarding the theft of “Porch Packages” left by delivery companies. The Department also utilizes ZenCity to review the stories and posts that have generated the highest amount of public sentiment discourse to gauge the efficacy of our community outreach. A summary of the Q4 Zen City findings is included in Attachment 1.

The department received and responded to 218 West Sacramento Connect submittals. The concerns were regarding issues related to traffic and parking, homelessness and other suspicious circumstances.

**Pillar 4 - Community Policing and Crime Reduction**

**Youth Outreach**

The Department participated in three community Halloween events, passing out candy, and visiting with local youth. The Department participated in the Touch-A-Truck event at Raley Field, giving local youth an opportunity to get up close and personal with officers and their equipment, as well as other “working” vehicles. Children and their families were able to explore a police SUV, climb in and take photos with the Polaris Utility Vehicle, and watch a demo of the department’s new EOD robot.

The Thanksgiving holiday provided an opportunity for Officers to take part in a community day of giving, passing out food, clothes and warm blankets for Yolo County Children’s Alliance Community Give Away Day. The Community Services Unit participated in seven separate fall festivals at community centers and schools throughout the city.

During the Christmas holiday season, the Department continued growing both the Shop with a Cop program as well as the Annual Toy Drive. This year, WSPD partnered with the Yolo County District Attorney’s Office, West
Sacramento Community Foundation, Collings Teen Center and BBCAN to host 40 local youth in the fourth annual Shop with a Cop event. The toy and clothing drive supported more than 440 West Sacramento youth.

The Department, along with other City departments hosted a Christmas event for families in a new Transitional Housing Complex within the city. This event helped supply necessities along with Christmas gifts for families transitioning from homelessness into housing opportunities within the city. Officers were on hand for the delivery and to engage with the youth in the complex to help enhance the homes and holidays for the families as they transition.

These events were in addition to community hosted events in the month of December which included West Sac Play's Cocoa with Santa event, Collings Cares Christmas Giveaway for local youth as well as the West Sac Kids Give Back event to create hygiene packages for those in need.

Community Outreach
Senior Lead Officers and School Resource Officers participated in a Parent University Meeting at Southport Elementary School. During this meeting, officers discussed social media and parenting in a digital age, to increase awareness and help parents better monitor their children’s social media activity. The fourth quarter was home to National Coffee with a Cop Day which was hosted at the Southport Starbucks. A senior citizen focused Coffee with a Cop event was hosted at the West Sacramento Community Center Senior Lounge.

The Department also participated in the Yolo County District Attorney’s Senior Resource fair, informing seniors about services and theft and fraud prevention. The Senior Knit and Crochet group from the West Sacramento Community center graciously accepted an invitation to join the department in wrapping gifts for our local West Sacramento youth as part of the Annual Toy Drive.

Homelessness and Community Impacts
The following data outlines the Department’s Q4 efforts to address homelessness and its impacts:

- 261 contacts were made with homeless individuals
- 263 intake appointments were conducted
- 82 people were permanently housed
- 99 were referred to County services
- 14 motel vouchers were distributed
- 20 individuals received placement in a homeless shelter
- 9 people were assisted with eviction prevention

The Police and Parks and Recreation Departments, coordinated 115 illegal camp cleanups, resulting in the removal of 378 cubic yards of trash. There were 21 additional cleanup activities addressing issues in both public and open spaces resulting in the removal of 135 cubic yards of debris. The Downtown Streets Team volunteered 1,854 hours of assistance with cleanup, resulting in the removal of 39,480 gallons of trash. Additionally, the Team collected 503 hypodermic needles.

West Capitol Avenue Active and Secure
The Motel Inspection Task Force, consisting of Code Enforcement, the Fire Department, the Police Department and the Homeless Outreach and Services Coordinator, inspected every motel in the City. The results for the 2019 Motel Inspection Program were slightly better than the 2018 results as only five Motels failed the initial inspection by the City and those five will need to be re-inspected at the bi-annual mark. Of the five Motels that did not pass the inspection, all were given scores that were just short of a passing grade. Violations consisted of broken windows and screens, non-functioning heaters and other electrical appliances, broken or missing plumbing fixtures, and a few motels had cockroach or other infestation issues.

For a number of years, a particular property in Beat 1 had become more and more infested with drug and nuisance problems and had culminated in a tremendous amount of time and resources being committed by Code Enforcement and Police Departments. In 2019, along with approval from the City Council, the Code Enforcement and Police Departments teamed up with City Attorney Staff and obtained a Drug Nuisance Abatement Court Order against the property and the now previous property owner. In late 2019, and just short of fully enacting that court order, the property changed ownership. The new owner has not only removed all of the junk and debris that once littered the property, but they are currently in the process of working with the City Building Division to completely remodel and rehabilitate the structure.
Pillar 5 - Training and Education

The Department sent 80 personnel to outside training courses involving topics such as:

- Interview and Interrogation
- Radar/Lidar (Speed measurement tools)
- Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Detection
- Use of Force Analysis
- Racial and Cultural Diversity
- Crisis Intervention Techniques
- EVOC Update (Emergency Vehicle Operation and Control)
- Hostage Negotiation Techniques

The Department’s Advanced Officer Training (AOT) courses were successfully updated and approved by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) for the 2020 Calendar training year. The Department continued with its “in-house” AOT curriculum and topics included Tactical Communication, scenario-based training, and firearms. The Department further developed its “in-house” AOT instructors and sent officers to the Tactical Medicine, Racial and Cultural Diversity, and Force Encounters Analysis courses.

Detectives were sent to specialized courses including: Officer Involved Shooting Investigations, Hardware Hacking, and Child Exploitation Investigations. The Traffic Team attended a two-day Vehicular Homicide Investigative Techniques and Case Preparation seminar. One Sergeant began his SBSLI 8-month Leadership Course and 39 officers attended EVOC Update.

Administrative Overview

Personnel
During Q4, one Police Officer, one Sergeant, one Police Records Technician, one Court Liaison and the Police Chief left the Department. The Department hired one Program Assistant and two Police Recruits to attend the academy.

Budget
The end of Q4 represented the halfway point of the fiscal year. The Department had utilized 31% of the annual allocation for Operations and Maintenance and 47% of the annual allocation for personnel costs.

Environmental Considerations
N/A

Commission Recommendation
N/A

Strategic Plan Integration
These efforts support the City’s vision of people feeling safe and secure and are consistent with the 2016 Strategic Plan goal related to 21st Century Policing. They also support the 2017 Strategic Plan Top Priority of “Law Enforcement and Youth Outreach” and the 2018 Strategic Plan Top Priorities “Community and Youth Outreach” and “Homelessness and Community Impacts.”

Alternatives
The City Council may direct staff to pursue additional or alternative methods of meeting the requirements and recommendations outlined by the RIPA and recommendations contained in the President’s Task Force on 21st Century Policing.

Coordination and Review
This report was prepared by Police Department staff.

Budget/Cost Impact
Because this is an information only item, there is no budget impact.

ATTACHMENT(S)
1. Zen City Report
2. Police Beat Map
3. Detailed Statistical Data
4. RIPA Data