

Independent Police Review Authority

Quarterly Report

October 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011

January 17, 2012

This report is filed pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2-57-110, which requires the filing of quarterly reports. This quarterly report provides information for the period October 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011. The information contained in this report is accurate as of December 31, 2011. All of IPRA's public reports are available at www.iprachicago.org.

Quarterly Overview

During the past quarter, IPRA moved its offices from leased space on the campus of the Illinois Institute of Technology, to a city-owned building at Chicago Avenue and Ashland Avenue (the Goldblatt Building). This move resulted in a significant savings to the City.

The impact of the move on IPRA's operations, however, can be seen in the number of investigations IPRA was able to close in November and December 2011. There was a significant decrease due to a number of factors, including personnel having to prepare for and execute the move. This had a particularly large impact on the number of investigations supervisors were able to review and approve for closing.

In addition, additional on-going factors contributed to the number of investigations IPRA closed. As has previously been reported, IPRA had a number of vacant Investigator and Supervising Investigator positions and several lengthy, unplanned medical absences. In December 2011, IPRA was able to fill two Supervising Investigator vacancies and four Investigator vacancies. As these individuals complete their training, IPRA expects to be able to complete more investigations in a more timely manner, without sacrificing the thoroughness of those investigations.¹

In the past quarter, IPRA opened 688 investigations. Of these, 210 resulted from a notification of a Taser discharge. IPRA responded to 7 officer involved shootings with an individual struck this quarter, a decrease from prior quarters. During this quarter, IPRA closed 594 investigations. This includes 175 Taser discharge investigations.

IPRA ended 2011 having sustained 59 investigations during the year. This was a significant increase from prior years. This reflects a concerted effort by IPRA to complete older sustained investigations that required additional levels of review before being closed. As part of this effort, IPRA Investigators were given goals for completing investigations and IPRA streamlined its internal review process for sustained investigations. IPRA continually attempts to identify ways to increase its efficiency to ensure that its limited resources are being used as effectively as possible. During the Fourth Quarter, as part of those efforts, IPRA began to work with the Office of Budget and Management to analyze IPRA's processes.

¹ IPRA added one additional investigator in January 2012, and currently has 4 Investigator vacancies among its 54 positions.

IPRA Cumulative Figures

	INTAKE (all allegations/ notifications) ²	IPRA Investigations Opened ³	IPRA Investigations Closed ⁴	IPRA Caseload ⁵
Sept. 2007	746	216	162	1290
4Q 2007	2273	613	368	1535
1Q 2008	2366	590	554	1571
2Q 2008	2436	640	670	1541
3Q 2008	2634	681	667	1555
4Q 2008	2337	699	692	1562
1Q 2009	2384	657	687	1532
2Q 2009	2648	755	651	1635
3Q 2009	2807	812	586	1981
4Q 2009	2235	617	654	1949
1Q 2010	2191	640	561	2028
2Q 2010	2626	868	832	2048
3Q 2010	2591	942	835	2168
4Q 2010	2127	746	681 ⁶	2233
1Q 2011	2023	610	711	2132
2Q 2011	2171	778	747	2159
3Q 2011	2335	788	749	2173
4Q 2011	2038	688	594	2237

² Pursuant to the IPRA Ordinance, certain events trigger an IPRA investigation even in the absence of an allegation of misconduct. The term “notification” refers to those events that IPRA investigates where there is no alleged misconduct.

³ This number includes investigations opened and assigned to IPRA as of the end of the identified quarter. It does not include investigations “Re-opened” because of the settlement of litigation, new evidence, or the results of the Command Channel Review process.

⁴ This number may include some investigations “Re-closed” after being Re-opened.

⁵ The caseload number for periods prior to 3Q 2009 are the numbers that IPRA previously reported in quarterly reports. As discussed previously, due to a calculation error, over time these numbers became inaccurate. The caseload number for 3Q 2009 reflects the results of IPRA’s complete audit of pending investigations.

⁶ The number of investigations closed and IPRA Caseload reflect a correction of numbers report in the prior report.

IPRA Investigations Opened by Incident Type⁷

	IPRA (COMPLAINTS)	IPRA (NOTIFICATIONS)					
	INFO & CR	EO	Hit Shooting (U#)	Non-Hit Shooting	Shooting/Animal	Taser	OC
Sept. 2007	195	4	4	3		3	2
4Q 2007	572	18	7	1		12	5
1Q 2008	475	16	8	12	18	31	16
2Q 2008	526	16	15	8	21	45	9
3Q 2008	563	8	14	10	20	52	13
4Q 2008	579	16	14	7	24	35	24
1Q 2009	553	11	9	9	25	39	14
2Q 2009	624	15	14	13	28	56	7
3Q 2009	657	21	18	16	18	63	22
4Q 2009	495	19	16	19	20	39	9
1Q 2010	482	13	12	14	29	74	15
2Q 2010	505	16	10	10	19	285	27
3Q 2010	576	15	11	10	30	285	16
4Q 2010	470	7	10	10	28	227	10
1Q 2011	377	17	15	12	27	155	10
2Q 2011	471	9	20	10	20	240	10
3Q 2011	460	15	16	17	22	248	9
4Q 2011	420	10	7	14	20	210	6

2-57-110(1): The number of investigations initiated since the last report

Between October 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011, IPRA issued 2038 Log Numbers. Of these Log Numbers, IPRA retained 688 for resolution. IPRA forwarded the remaining 1350 Log Numbers to the Internal Affairs Division of the Chicago Police Department for appropriate resolution.

Of the 688 Log Numbers retained by IPRA, IPRA classified 203 as Complaint Register Numbers. In addition, IPRA began Pre-affidavit Investigations for 217 of the Log Numbers retained by IPRA. The remainder of the retained Log Numbers consisted of 7 Log Numbers for shootings where an individual was hit by a bullet and a "U Number" was issued, 14 for shootings where no one was hit by a bullet, 20 for shots fired at

⁷ Note: A single investigation may fall into more than one Incident Type. For instance, an investigation may be both an Extraordinary Occurrence (EO) and a Complaint Register (CR). For this chart, the investigation is counted in all applicable Incident Types. They are counted only once, in the total Log Numbers retained by IPRA. As defined by ordinance, an Extraordinary Occurrence (EO) is a death or injury to a person while in police custody or other extraordinary or unusual occurrence in a lockup facility.

animals, 210 for reported uses of tasers, 6 for reported uses of pepper spray,⁸ 10 for Extraordinary Occurrences, and 1 for a “miscellaneous” notification.⁹

2-57-110(2): The number of investigations concluded since the last report

Since October 1, 2011, IPRA closed 594 Log Numbers. A Log Number is considered closed when IPRA completes its work on the matter, regardless of whether the Police Department is still processing the results.

2-57-110(3): The number of investigations pending as of the report date

As of December 31, 2011, there were 2237 investigations pending completion by IPRA. These include both allegations that have received Complaint Register Numbers, and those being followed under a Log Number, as well as officer-involved shootings, and Extraordinary Occurrences.

2-57-110(4): The number of complaints not sustained since the last report¹⁰

Between October 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011, IPRA recommended that 134 investigations be closed as “not sustained.”

In addition, 186 cases were closed after a Pre-affidavit Investigation because the complainants refused to sign an affidavit. IPRA recommended that 25 investigations be closed as “unfounded,” and 3 be closed as “exonerated.”

2-57-110(5): The number of complaints sustained since the last report

Between October 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011, IPRA recommended that 16 cases be closed as sustained.

⁸ As of December 31, 2007, IPRA issued a Log Number for notifications of uses of taser, pepper spray, or for shootings where no one is injured only if it received a telephonic notification of the incident or there was an allegation of misconduct. As of January 1, 2008, IPRA implemented procedures to issue Log Numbers for all uses of taser and shootings, regardless of the method of notification. In addition CPD issued a reminder to CPD personnel to provide notification to IPRA. IPRA continues to issue Log Numbers for discharges of pepper spray at the request of CPD personnel.

⁹ These numbers includes one Log Numbers classified as both a “U Number” and a Complaint Register. This Log Number is counted only once in the total number of Log Numbers retained by IPRA, but included in the breakouts of all applicable categories: U Number and Complaint Register.

¹⁰ The term “not sustained” is a term of art in police misconduct investigations. It is defined in CPD G.O. 93-3 as “when there is insufficient evidence either to prove or disprove allegation.” In addition, cases may be “unfounded,” which means “the allegation is false or not factual.”

2-57-110(6): The number of complaints filed in each district since the last report¹¹

Between October 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011, IPRA received complaints of alleged misconduct based on incidents in the following districts, as follows:

District 01 = 72	District 08 = 126	District 14 = 50	District 20 = 23
District 02 = 98	District 09 = 81	District 15 = 75	District 21 = 36
District 03 = 106	District 10 = 49	District 16 = 48	District 22 = 69
District 04 = 97	District 11 = 103	District 17 = 31	District 23 = 43
District 05 = 92	District 12 = 49	District 18 = 64	District 24 = 50
District 06 = 135	District 13 = 22	District 19 = 29	District 25 = 75
District 07 = 104			
	Outside City Limits = 24	Unknown location = 11	

2-57-110(7): The number of complaints filed against each officer in each district since the last report¹²

(See Attachment)

2-57-110(8): The number of complaints referred to other agencies and the identity of such other agencies

Between October 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011, IPRA referred 1365 cases to other agencies as follows:

Chicago Police Department – Internal Affairs Division = 1350

Cook County State’s Attorney = 15

¹¹ “Complaints” is defined as all reports of alleged misconduct, whether from the community or from a source internal to the Police Department, whether a Complaint Register number has been issued or not. This does not include, absent an allegation of misconduct, reports of uses of Tasers, pepper spray, discharges of weapons whether hitting an individual or not, or Extraordinary Occurrences. Districts are identified based on the district where the alleged misconduct occurred. Some complaints occurred in more than one District, they are counted in each district where they occurred. This list does include confidential complaints.

¹² This uses the same definition of “complaints” as the preceding section. Except as otherwise noted, if a member was assigned to one unit but detailed to another at the time of the complaint, the member is listed under the detailed unit.

ATTACHMENT: COMPLAINTS AGAINST CPD MEMBERS BY UNIT

District 001

Members 1-20: 1 complaint each

District 002

Members 1-23: 1 complaint each

Member 24: 2 complaints

District 003

Members 1-23: 1 complaint each

Members 24-30: 2 complaints each

District 004

Members 1-29: 1 complaint each

Members 30-32: 2 complaints each

District 005

Members 1-20: 1 complaint each

Members 21-23: 2 complaints each

Members 24-25: 3 complaints each

District 006

Members 1-37: 1 complaint each

Members 38-40: 2 complaints each

Member 41: 3 complaints

District 007

Members 1-34: 1 complaint each

Members 35-37: 2 complaints each

District 008

Members 1-34: 1 complaint each

Members 35-38: 2 complaints each

District 009

Members 1-18: 1 complaint each

Members 19-22: 2 complaints each

Member 23: 3 complaints

District 010

Members 1-19: 1 complaint each

Members 20-21: 2 complaints each

District 011

Members 1-27: 1 complaint each

Members 28-30: 2 complaints each

District 012

Members 1-14: 1 complaint each

Member 15: 2 complaints

District 013

Members 1-10: 1 complaint each

Member 11: 2 complaints

District 014

Members 1-14: 1 complaint each

Member 15: 2 complaints

District 015

Members 1-26: 1 complaint each

Member 27: 2 complaints

District 016

Members 1-11: 1 complaint each

Member 12: 2 complaints

District 017

Members 1-8: 1 complaint each

District 018

Members 1-7: 1 complaint each

Members 8-10: 2 complaints each

Member 11: 3 complaints

District 019

Members 1-14: 1 complaint each

District 020

Members 1-10: 1 complaint each

Member 11: 2 complaints

District 021

Members 1-17: 1 complaint each

Member 18: 2 complaints

District 022

Members 1-23: 1 complaint each

District 023

Members 1-16: 1 complaint each

Members 17-18: 2 complaints each

District 024

Members 1-16: 1 complaint each

District 025

Members 1-18: 1 complaint each

Member 19: 2 complaints

Recruit Training (044)¹

Members 1-8: 1 complaint each

Member 9: 2 complaints

Airport Law Enforcement Unit – North (050)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Airport Law Enforcement Unit – South (051)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Special Investigations Unit (079)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Deployment Operations Center Section (116)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Bureau of Internal Affairs (121)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Education and Training Division (124)

Member 1: 1 complaint

CAPS Implementation Office (135)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Special Events and Liaison Section (136)

Member 1: 2 complaints

Special Functions Group (141)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Traffic Section Administration (145)

Members 1-5: 1 complaint each

Records Inquiry Section (163)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Field Services Section (166)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Evidence & Recovered Property Unit (167)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Member 4: 2 complaints

Bureau of Detectives (180)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Narcotics Section (189)

Members 1-25: 1 complaint each

Members 26-32: 2 complaints each

Asset Forfeiture Division (192)

Member 1: 2 complaints

Gang Investigation Section (193)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Asset Forfeiture Section (196)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 1 (211)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Members 4-6: 2 complaints each

Member 7: 3 complaints

¹ These numbers include CPD members who are detailed to a District as part of their training, but are officially still assigned to Recruit Training.

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 2 (212)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Member 4: 2 complaints

Member 5: 3 complaints

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 3 (213)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Office of the Deputy Chief, Area 5 (215)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Office of the Deputy Chief, Central Control Group (216)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

OEMC Detail (276)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Gang Team Area 1 (311)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Gang Team Area 2 (312)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Gang Team Area 4 (314)

Members 1-6: 1 complaint each

Gang Team Area 5 (315)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Unit (353)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Alternate Response Section (376)

Members 1-12: 1 complaint each

Member 13: 3 complaints

Juvenile Intervention Support Center (384)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Gang Enforcement Section (393)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Forensic Services Unit – South (477)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Detached Services-Miscellaneous Detail (543)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Central Investigations Section (606)

Members 1-2: 1 complaint each

Major Accident Investigation Unit (608)

Member 1: 1 complaint

Detective Division, Area 1 (610)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Member 5: 1 complaint

Detective Division, Area 2 (620)

Members 1-9: 1 complaint each

Detective Division, Area 3 (630)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Detective Division, Area 4 (640)

Members 1: 1 complaint

Detective Division, Area 5 (650)

Members 1-4: 1 complaint each

Public Transportation Section (701)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each

Transit Security Unit (704)

Members 1-3: 1 complaint each