

MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP POLICE

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2019 Internal Affairs Summary

In 2019, six (6) officer complaints were filed with the Office of Professional Standards of the Manchester Police Department. These complaints were lodged by either citizens, or internally by members of the agency who identified behavior or actions which did not meet the agency's standards.

The three (3) complaints reported by citizens were as follows:

- (1) Demeanor;
- (1) Improper Search,
- (1) Violation of Department Rules and Regulations.

The three (3) complaints internally generated were as follows:

• (3) Violation of Department Rules and Regulations.

In each case, the Office of Professional Standards conducted internal investigations to determine whether the complaint was valid. The outcome of each investigation that was lodged by a citizen was documented as follows: one (1) citizen complaint involving demeanor was closed with a disposition of not sustained, meaning the investigation failed to disclose sufficient evidence to clearly prove or disprove the allegation, one (1) citizen complaint involving improper search was closed with a disposition of exonerated, meaning that the alleged incident did occur, but the actions of the officer(s) were justified, legal and proper, one (1) citizen complaint involving a violation of department rules and regulations was closed with a disposition of exonerated.

With regard to the internally generated complaints the outcome of each investigation was documented as follows: two (2) complaints involving violations of department rules and regulations were closed with dispositions of sustained, and one (1) complaint involving a violation of department rules and regulations was closed with a disposition of exonerated.

Officers of the Manchester Township Police Department received forty five (45) compliments and notices of positive performance in 2019 from citizens and police supervisors. Every Manchester Township police officer is held to the highest levels of professionalism, performance and service and the positive feedback received from the public and our supervisors exemplifies these standards.

6 Total Complaints: Sustained (2), Exonerated (3), Not Sustained (1)