



MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP POLICE

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2016 Internal Affairs Summary

In 2016, Fourteen (14) officer complaints were filed with the Office of Professional Standards of the Manchester Police Department. These complaints were lodged by either citizens, or members of the agency who identified behavior or actions which did not meet the agency's standards.

The four (4) complaints reported by citizens were as follows:

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

The ten (10) complaints internally generated were as follows:

- (10) 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 was documented as follows: the one (1) citizen complaint involving an improper search was closed with a disposition of unfounded, meaning that the alleged incident did not occur, the 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, the two (2) citizen complaints involving violations of department rules and regulations were closed with one (1) sustained, meaning the investigation disclosed sufficient evidence to prove the allegation and the actions of the officer violated a provision of the agency's rules and regulations or procedures, and one (1) closed with a disposition of exonerated, meaning the alleged incident did occur, but the actions of the officer were justified, legal and proper.

With regard to the internally generated complaints the outcome of each investigation was documented as follows: eight (8) of the complaints were closed with dispositions of sustained, and two (2) were closed with dispositions of exonerated.

Officers of the Manchester Township Police Department received eighty two (82) compliments and notices of positive performance in 2016 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.

14 total Complaints: Sustained (9), Exonerated (3), Not-sustained (1), Unfounded (1)