



MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP POLICE

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2021 Internal Affairs Summary

In 2021, eleven (11) 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 six (6) complaints reported by citizens were as follows:

- (2) Demeanor;
- (1) Improper Search,
- (2) Differential Treatment,
- (1) Improper Arrest.

The five (5) complaints internally generated were as follows:

- (5) 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: one (1) citizen complaint involving demeanor was closed with a disposition of exonerated, meaning that the alleged incident did occur, but the actions of the officer were justified, legal and proper, one (1) citizen complaint involving demeanor was closed with a disposition of sustained, meaning the investigation disclosed a preponderance of evidence showed that the officer violated a law, regulation, directive, guideline, policy or procedure issued by the Attorney General, County Prosecutor, agency protocol, standing operating procedure, rule or training, the one (1) allegation involving an improper search was closed with a disposition of exonerated, the two (2) complaints involving differential treatment were closed with dispositions of exonerated and the one (1) complaint involving an improper arrest was also closed with a disposition of exonerated.

With regard to the internally generated complaints the outcome of each investigation was documented as follows: four (4) of the 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 not sustained, meaning that the investigation failed to disclose sufficient evidence to clearly prove or disprove the allegation.

Officers of the Manchester Township Police Department received eighty one (81) compliments and notices of positive performance in 2021 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.

11 Total Complaints: Sustained (5), Exonerated (5), Not Sustained (1)