Goal 2 - Safe & Beautiful Neighborhoods

Set the Standard for a Safe and Secure City

DIGITAL VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEMS



Previous Council update 2/24/22 Previous Council update 8/6/2019



DIGITAL VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEMS





THE BEGINNING



Summer of 2018, City Rep Henry Rivera received \$110,000 from Andeavor Corp to finance the purchase of body worn cameras







Funding Distribution



• 34 BODY WORN CAMERAS and CHEST MOUNTS \$ 78,553.25

• 2 SERVERS \$ 31,446.75

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TOTAL SPENT

\$110,000.00

OTHER COSTS IT RELATED

\$ 62,893.70

(hardware, hard drives power supply, dell pro-support etc.)

- Cameras were deployed 17 to DWI and 17 to CIT in June 2019
- In 2020 Received \$50,000 from the Cardwell Foundation
- In 2021 Purchased 28 replacement body cameras



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DIGITAL VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEMS

BENEFITS OF THE PROGRAM





Promote Public Trust

Ensure Public Safety

Deploy 700 Body Worn Cameras 410 Vehicle Integrations 5 Year Service Contract Cloud Based Storage Additional Personnel

Improve Transparency

Enhance Accountability





DIGITAL VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEMS PROJECT



FIVE YEAR ESTIMATED COST ANALYSIS

5 YEAR LEASING OPTION

PATROL AND TRAFFIC ONLY

BWC – Body Worn Camera

MVR – Mobile Video Recorder

Cameras Service Lease Agreement	700	764	827	890	952	
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total
BWC Total	\$896,960.00	\$882,848.00	\$949,233.00	\$1,016,517.00	\$1,081,834.00	\$4,827,392.00
410 Vehicle MVR Costs	\$634,680.00	\$634,680.00	\$634,680.00	\$634,680.00	\$634,680.00	\$3,173,400.00
Personnel costs and Computers	\$157,342.00	\$840,167.00	\$848,569.00	\$857,055.00	\$865,624.00	\$3,568,757.00
BWC and MVR Total for Patrol and Traffic	\$1,688,982.00	\$2,357,695.00	\$2,432,482.00	\$2,508,252.00	\$2,582,138.00	\$11,569,549.00

FUNDING SOURCES



1. Office of the Governor approx.

2. Veronica Escobar Discretionary funds approx

3. ARPA funds approx.

\$ 331,000

\$ 525,000

\$6,600,000

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\$7,456,000

The above funding sources will provide approximately 3 years of cost for the program. This allows the city time to provide a funding plan for the remaining two years of costs

4. General fund/other funds needed for patrol and traffic

\$4,113,549



BWC and 410 MVR for Patrol and Traffic 5 year program

\$11,569,549.00

DVRS PERSONNEL



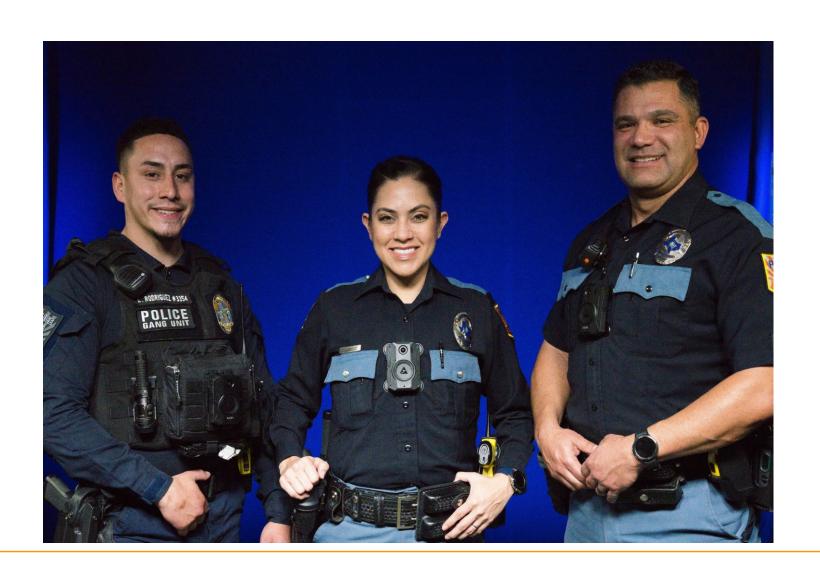
- 1 Police Information Manager
- 1 Business Systems Analyst
- 2 Mobile Network Admin
- 5 Police Support Specialist
- 4 Records Specialists
- 3 Uniformed Officers





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AXON BODY 3









MOUNTS



Assigned to officers that wear patrol uniforms daily.



AXON Body 3 Flexible Rapid Lock Magnetic Mount





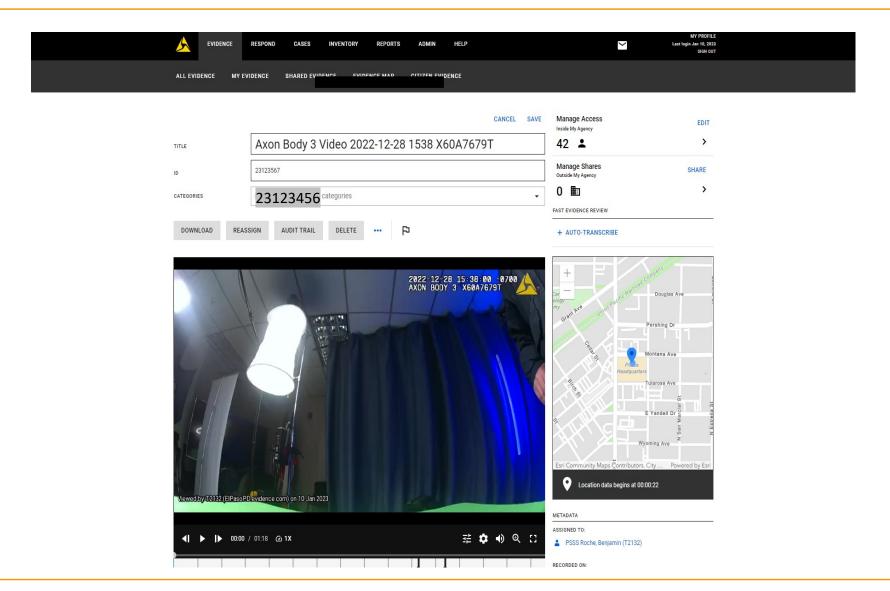
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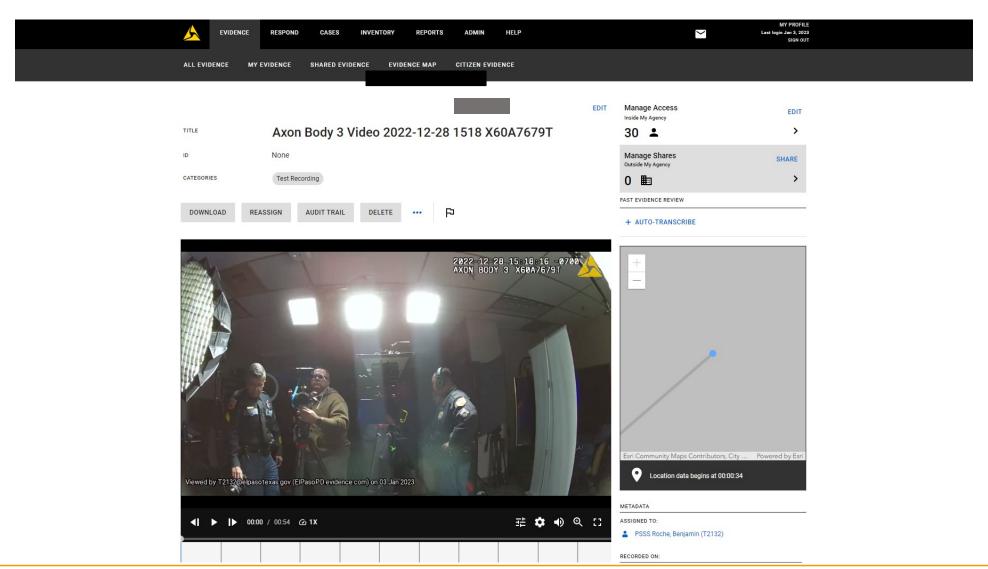
CREATING EVIDENCE







SHARING EVIDENCE





Police Survey



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- Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department
- Colorado Springs Police Department
- Columbus Police Department
- Dayton Police Department
- Houston Police Department
- Kansas City Police Department
- Louisville Metro Police Department
- Minneapolis Police Department
- Oklahoma City Police Department
- Omaha Police Department
- Phoenix
- Plano Police Department
- Prince George's County Police Department
- San Antonio Police Department
- Seattle Police Department
- Vancouver Police Department (Canada)





El Paso Police Department Abandoned	Chapter 11: Digital Video		
Auto Unit Operations Manual	Recording Systems		
1101 Body Worn Cameras	Policy Effective: 01/10/2023		
	Previous Version: 01/11/2021		

1101 BODY WORN CAMERAS

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the use and management of body worn camera (BWC) systems. It is the policy of the El Paso Police Department to utilize BWC systems to record officer-citizen contacts, police activities, critical incidents, arrests, and interactions to create video/audio evidence of events as they occur. These recordings assist in the documenting of evidence, enhancing officer safety, and allowing for objective review and analysis of officer-citizen interactions. Only Department supplied BWCs are authorized. Officers shall not use personally owned or other recording devices to record and/or copy video/audio footage.

1101.1 DEFINITIONS

- A. Body Worn Camera (BWC). A camera system capable of recording audio and video and designed to be worn on the most outer clothing of an officer.
- B. Metadata. Descriptors used to identify digital evidence. Examples of Metadata include officer name, vehicle ID, vehicle speed, date and time, and GPS location.
- C. Digital Evidence (DE). Includes, but is not limited to, photographs and audio/visual records that are stored digitally.
- D. Digital Video Recording Systems Unit (DVRS unit). Responsible for the administration of the evidence library, issuance, inventory, and troubleshooting of devices and licenses. Coordinates with IT services when necessary.



POLICY 1101.05 ON RECORDINGS



Officers shall begin recording for the following events and continue recording until the event has concluded. Any deviation(s) will require a supervisor's approval and must be documented in the officer's video and report. The following constitute reasons for activating a BWC:

All dispatched calls for service;

All officer-initiated calls for service and contacts, including but not limited to: traffic/pedestrian stops, arrests, vehicle/foot pursuits, and code III response and traffic control.

When assisting another unit on a call for service,

Any citizen initiated contact(s) or a flag-down request for any public safety concerns or services.

Service of search or arrest warrants on the premises of a residence, business, or building if the officer is assisting in such service of search or arrest warrants.

Subsequent arrest, handcuffing, and search of violators will take place in view of the camera when practical and in accordance with Departmental policies.

Officers shall not stop a recording during a public encounter.



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POLICY 1101.06 ON ENDING RECORDINGS

Unless otherwise permitted by this policy once the BWC is activated, it shall remain on until the incident has concluded.

For the purpose of this section, conclusion of the incident has occurred when:

- 1. All arrests have been made, and arrestees have been searched and transported to an appropriate regional command, secured facility, and inside the facility;
- 2. All witnesses and victims on-scene have been interviewed;
- In the event a recording was stopped and does not meet the above criteria, officers will document on their Daily Activity Report (DAR) the reason for stopping the recording.

 Officers will note the reason in the narrative of the Activity and Disposition section of the DAR.



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Exact Matches:

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- 1. 318.1 Definitions
- 2. 622.6 Digital Photographic/Video Evide:
- 3.811.1 Definitions
- 4. 816.3 Disposal Of CJIS Information And
- 5. 820 AVL InMotion
- 6.821 Cloud-Share
- 7. 821.1 Cloud-Share Instructions
- 8. 821.2 Cloud-Share User Responsibilities -
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EL PASO POLICE DEPARTMENT PROCEDURES MANUAL

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

REFERENCE

The purpose of this document is to give practical meaning to our stated Department Mission and Values by setting forth for a officers and employees of the El Paso Police Department articulated policies, procedures and code of conduct which encompas and describe expectations of behavior and conduct, both on duty and off-duty.

INTRODUCTION





Basic Peace Officer Course Training

Previous
TCOLE
Hours
Required:

643 Hours

Previous
Additional
Hours EPPD
Standard:

597 Hours

Total BPOC
Training
Hours:

1,240 Hours

Current
TCOLE
Hours
Required

858 Hours

Current
Additional
Hours EPPD
Standard:

720 Hours

Total BPOC
Training
Hours:

1,578 Hours

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TRAINING

- **858** hours for basic peace officer course, TCOLE requirements
- 720 additional hours for departmental training.
- 1,578 total Academy is 10.5 months
- After basic Peace Officer Course new Officers are on probation for an additional 12 months with monthly performance evaluations and tests
- After 12 months of probation are completed officers are sent back to the academy to receive 80 hours of training to receive Intermediate Officer certification from TCOLE

Professional Police Practices

- Ethics
- Professional Policing

Use of Force

- De-escalation Strategies
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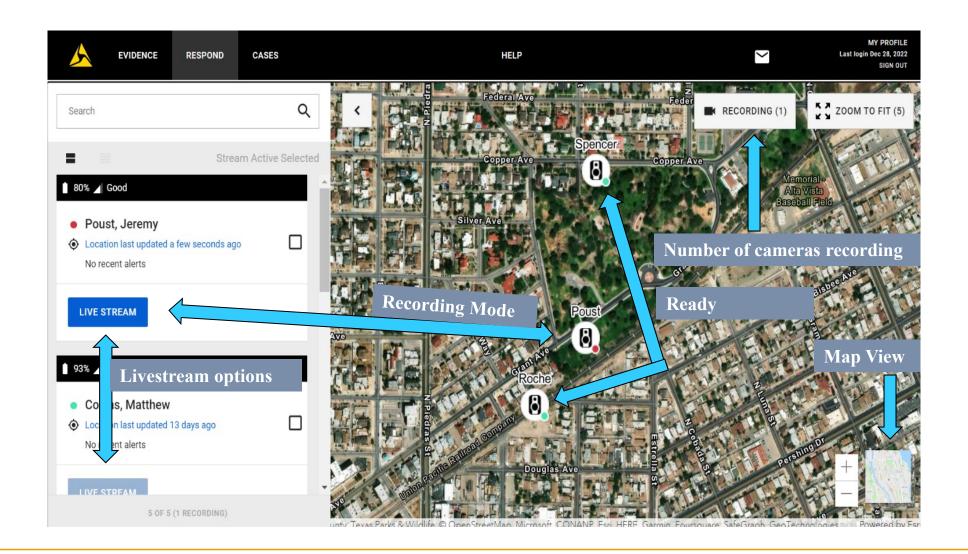
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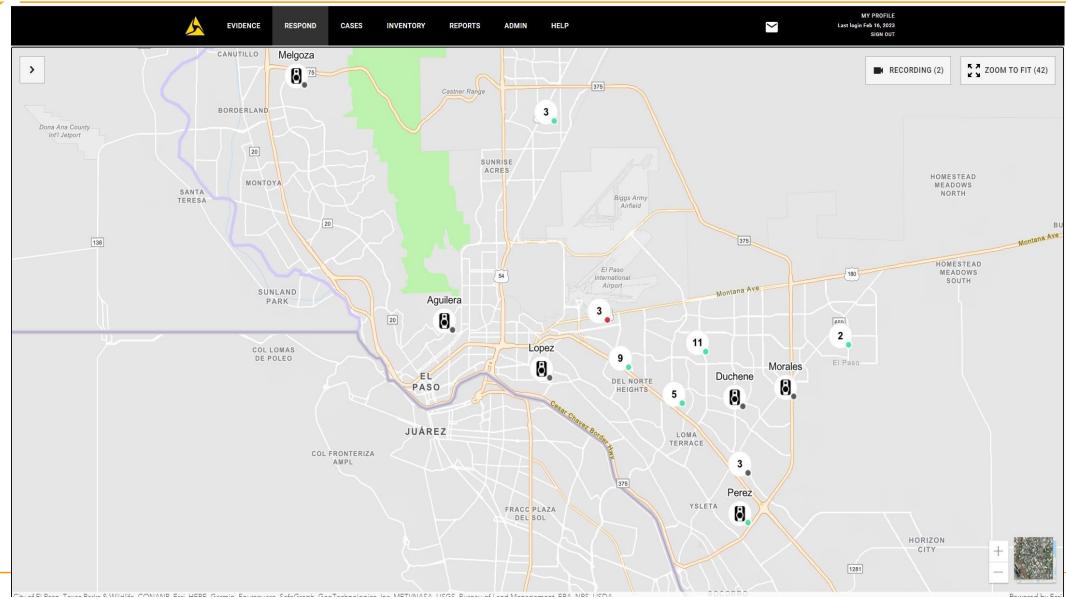
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AXON RESPOND









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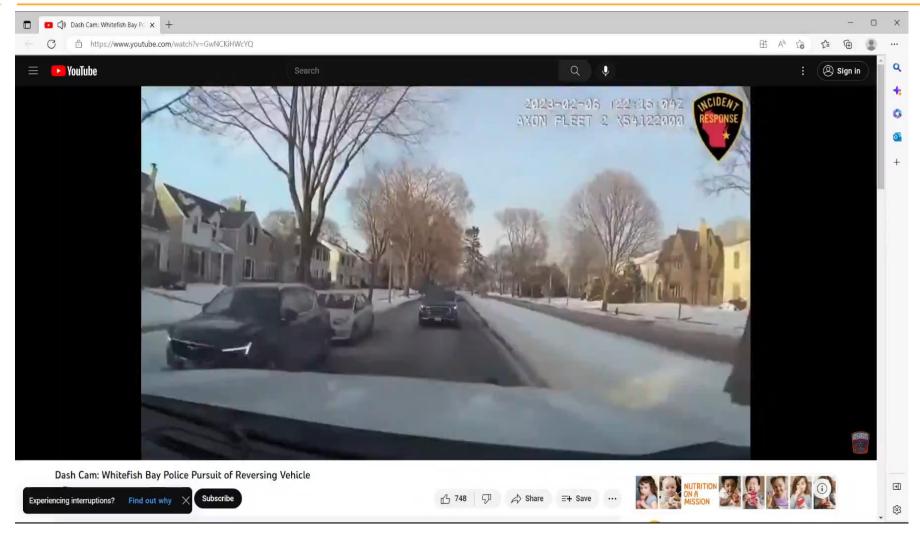


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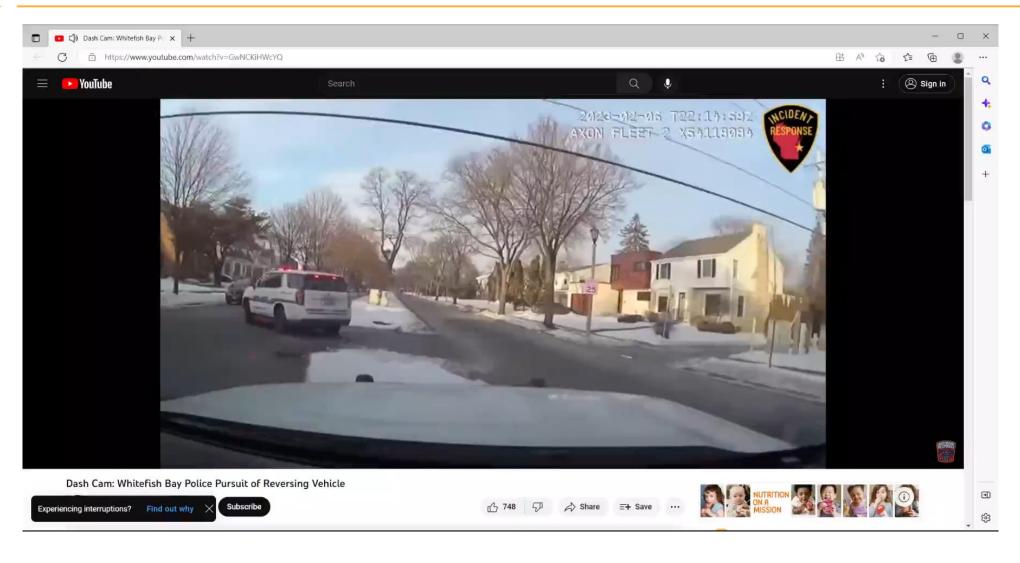
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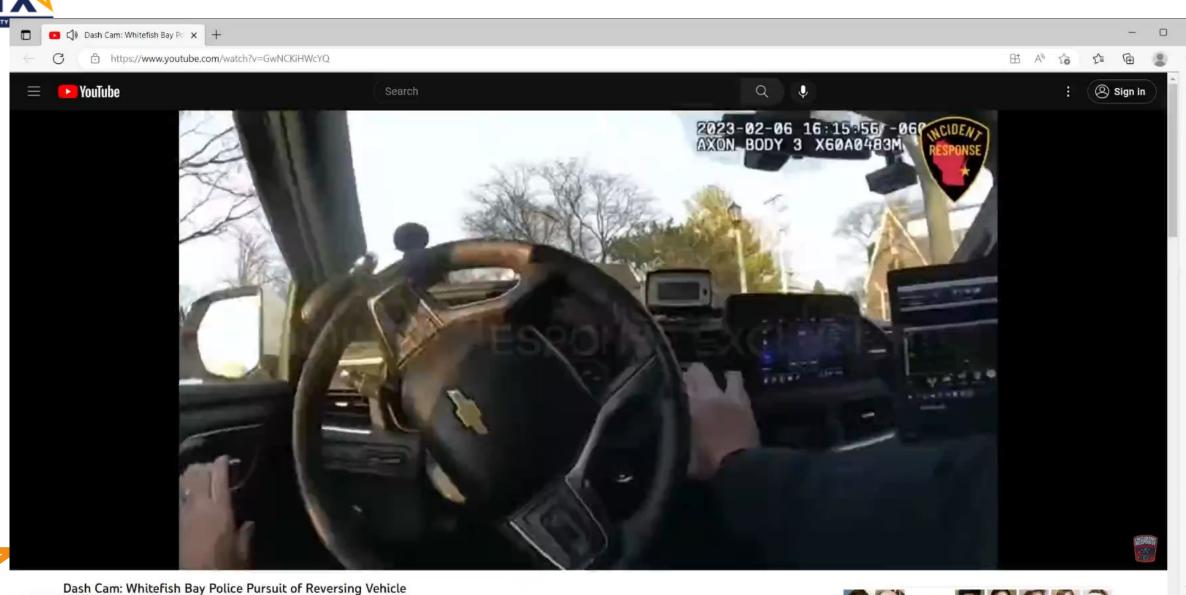




CAMERA FOOTAGE FREEMONT PD



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AXON RESPOND



- Allows Desk Officer and/or Supervisors to view live video and see the officers location on a map to provide intervention, immediate assistance or just a visualization of officers location
- Force multiplier the desk officer or supervisor can immediately send officers to the correct location especially if the officer is unable to utilize his radio
- Allows Supervisors to audit interactions between officers and community





DIGITAL VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEMS BODY WORN CAMERA ESTIMATED ROLL OUT AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH



During January through mid February the Pebble Hills Regional command was selected to be the pilot project for the body camera portion of the program







Northeast Feb 14-2/24 completed

Westside Mid March

Mission Valley Mid April

Central Mid May



COMMUNITY OUTREACH



- Community Outreach started last week with the PSA from the Public Affairs and Communications Office
- Today's meeting to council
- First community meeting will be held with City Rep Rivera on March 1st welcoming invitations from other council members

to attend their community meeting

Follow up meetings with PDCFT









 The DVRS team will be conducting presentations at the five regional commands during their Citizen Advisory Board Meetings

WSRC	February 28 th	at 5:30 pm
PHRC	March 14 th	at 6:00 pm
MVRC	March 21st	at 5:30 pm
CRCC	April 3 rd	at 5:30 pm
NERC	April 11 th	at 6:00 pm



NEXT STEPS AXON FLEET 3



- The DVRS unit is preparing to receive the mobile video recorders for the cars in the next few months.
- Axon team will be coming down to El Paso to do the removal of the current Watchguard system and install the new Axon system.
- Once the systems are installed they will link with the body cameras and will be a fully functional DVRS unit.



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