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TULSA POLICE
PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE
Crimes, Community Policing, and Traffic Enforcement

Community Oriented Policing Services
- 5 year period
- Service oriented
- Use of police officers through attrition (if necessary)
- Community oriented policing includes traffic enforcement
- Approved: 2001 (CBS Grant Manual)
- Academy class would start in June 2000

Public Safety Consequences
- Police - reduced community policing efforts by reducing authorized strength
- Police - to addition of dedicated traffic personnel
- Police - assurance policy to maintain officers during times of economic uncertainty
- Non-approval - reduction of community dedicated traffic personnel to other fields
- Non-approval - loss of opportunity lost

Who's about to change?
- If necessary, positions can be adjusted through
  - attrition (CBS Grant Manual)
  - Ward realignment
  - Ward non-commit funds the city cannot spend

MOR Statistics
- MOR officers available for traffic enforcement (50% of sworn personnel)
- MOR traffic officers make up 9% of enforcement personnel
- Most traffic officers make up 95% of enforcement personnel, collisions make up 5% of calls for service
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**Additional Traffic Safety Initiatives**
- Childproofing Safety Seats Grant
- Teen Driver Safety Grant
- All-Wheel Assist Grant SEIK & MDOT Joint
- Peds & Pedestrians
- Speed Bump Light Grant
- Seat Belt (Click it or Ticket) / Child Seat Checkpoint
- Public Education
  - Saturation Enforcement (i.e. Memorial & Peoria)

**Traffic Collisions**
Traffic Collisions are at the lowest in 10 years:

- 2000: 1200
- 2001: 1000
- 2002: 900
- 2003: 800
- 2004: 700
- 2005: 600
- 2006: 500
- 2007: 400
- 2008: 300
- 2009: 200
- 2010: 100

**Traffic Citations**

- Increased in the measure of effectiveness. Through enforcement, citations decline as collisions decline.

**Efficiency/Achievement**

- Directed Patrol
- Mayor's Action Center
- Annual Divisional Traffic Report
- Annual Buckle Down Awards
- Monthly Traffic Safety Newsletter

**Future Efforts**
- More mobile data terminals
- Increase speed
- Increase efficiency
- Increase multiple violators
- Complaint
- Analysis
- Improved deployment
- Court/Police coordination
- Traffic enforcement equipment replacement

- Greater community policing capability
- Faster response to neighborhood problems
- Maintain dedicated traffic enforcement positions
- Enhanced efficiency of service
- Seizes a one-time opportunity with limited risk
- No neighborhood left behind