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**2020 Internal Affairs Summary Report**

During 2020, three (3) internal affairs complaints were lodged by citizens against members of the department. The disposition categories are:

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| 1. Sustained-                  | The investigation proved the allegation by a preponderance of evidence.   |
| 2. Exonerated-                 | The alleged incident did occur, but the actions of the officer were legal, proper and justified.  |
| 3. Not Sustained-              | The investigation failed to disclose sufficient evidence to prove or disprove the allegation.   |
| 4. Unfounded-                  | The alleged incident did not occur.   |
| 5. Administratively<br>Closed- | In some case, the complaint or investigation is closed prior to reaching a disposition. Examples include situations when a complainant voluntarily requests that a complaint be withdrawn, or the subject officer terminates his or her employment prior to the disposition of the complaint. |

The dispositions of the 2020 complaints are as follows:

- Sustained- 0
- Exonerated- 3
- Not Sustained- 0
- Unfounded- 0
- Administratively  
Closed- 0
- Open Investigations- 0

During 2020, five (5) investigations were conducted which stemmed from internal complaints filed within the organization. These internal complaints usually originate from a supervisor detecting officer performance deficiencies, a policy violation or an investigation of a motor vehicle crash involving an officer while on duty driving a department vehicle. The dispositions of the cases are as follows:

- Sustained- 2
- Exonerated- 3
- Not Sustained- 0
- Unfounded- 0
- Administratively  
Closed- 0
- Open Investigations- 0

**In accordance with the reporting requirements outlined in the New Jersey Attorney General Guidelines governing Internal Affairs Policy and Procedures, there were no complaints where a fine or suspension of ten (10) days or more were assessed to a member of the agency in the year 2020.**