



Chandler Police Department - PSS Memo No. 23-012

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To: Sean Duggan, Chief of Police

Thru: Melissa Deanda, Assistant Chief
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Subject: Use of Force Review, 2nd Quarter 2023

Procedure

- Please sign below acknowledging your review of the report.
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Professional Standards Section shall maintain inspection files and reports.

Background

The Chandler Police Department recognizes the current Arizona statutory law dictating that “no unnecessary or unreasonable force shall be used in making an arrest, and the person arrested shall not be subjected to any greater restraint than necessary for his detention.”¹ The Chandler Police Department stipulates officers must adhere to their training unless the situation justifies a deviation from that training.²

The Chandler Police Department began to utilize the Use of Force Review Board in 2008 to ensure the proper documentation of all applications of force, evaluate those applications for adherence to established policy, and determine any additional training needs.³ The board meets monthly to evaluate the prior month’s incidents, and quarterly reviews are prepared to share information and findings with the Citizen Review Panel.

This analysis contains use of force statistics for the second quarter of 2023 to identify prevalent trends or deficiencies per the current CALEA standard.⁴ In addition to an internal comparative analysis, this report will illustrate training issues that emerged throughout the quarter, as well as the number and general nature of injuries sustained by personnel and suspects.

2023 Second Quarter Review

The Chandler Police Department logged 2191 arrests during the second quarter of 2023, yielding a total of twenty-three (23) incidents resulting in a use of force by Chandler Police Officers to effect an arrest or detain a subject under reasonable suspicion or probable cause.

All reportable incidents were reviewed by the Use of Force Review Board. This board meets monthly to determine if the applications of force are justified in accordance with the policies of the Chandler Police Department.

The following tables document the twenty-three (23) incidents reviewed by the board for the months of April, May, and June of 2023. It includes the types of force used and dispositions. In some incidents there were multiple applications of force used by various officers. For this reason, there were forty-eight (48) distinct applications of force. This report will deliver the summaries of the twenty-three (23) reviewed incidents.

¹ ARS § 13-3881.B

² CPD G.O. E-01.200.B.3

³ CPD G.O. E-01.400.E.1

⁴ CALEA 1.3.13

Type of Force Used Second Quarter 2023

Force Used	Applications	Additional Details
Low Level Force	19	Take downs, pressure points, Hard hands, bolo wrap, etc.
Intermediate Force	29	K9 bite, fist strikes, knee strikes, kicks, less lethal, CEW, impact push, etc.
Total	48	

Total Force Used Second Quarter 2023

Total Arrests	Force Used	Percentage
2191	23	1.05%

Use of Force Demographics by Race/Gender/Age

Number	Race	Gender	Age Range	Average Age	%
10	White	Male	28-68	42	43%
5	White	Female	25-46	33	22%
6	Hispanic	Male	18-42	31	26%
1	Native American	Female	23	23	4.5%
1	Black	Male	24	24	4.5%

(23 total subjects in use of force incidents)

Policy Violations/Reviews

In the second quarter of 2023 there were no use of force incidents referred to Internal Affairs.

Training Issues

In the second quarter of 2023 there was one training issue identified by the Use of Force Board. The training issue consisted of an officer not making attempts to de-escalate a confrontation during a traffic stop. That officer's chain of command has addressed the incident.

Injuries

In the second quarter of 2023, thirteen (13) officers were injured during use of force incidents. The injuries sustained by officers were mostly minor in nature, generally consisting of sprains, abrasions, cuts, or bruising. Most of the officers' injuries appeared to stem from body-to-body contact, takedown techniques, and struggling to handcuff suspects on hard surfaces or from direct assaults on the officers themselves.

Twenty-two (22) suspects were injured or complained of injury during the use of force incidents. Most of these injuries were minor in nature, consisting of lacerations, abrasions, contusions, complaints of pain, and CEW puncture wounds.

Injured officers and suspects received medical attention when requested. Medical treatment was either provided on scene or at a hospital for more extensive care or evaluation.

Total Injuries When Force Used Second Quarter 2023

Suspects/Detainees	Officers	Total
22	13	35

Emotionally Disturbed/Impaired

Sixteen (16) subjects involved in use of force incidents were found to be emotionally disturbed, under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or a combination of impairments.

Conclusion

The reported types of use of force incidents during the second quarter of 2023 indicate officers used the appropriate level of force to effect the arrest of suspects. This illustrates that the use of force policy, defensive tactics training, board reviews, and overall departmental philosophy are aligned with established case law, statutory regulations, and the principles of community-oriented policing.

The following pages are the summaries that were presented to the Use of Force Board for the second quarter of 2023.

Incident Review Summaries
Summary 1

Date of Occurrence:	04/01/2023
Time of Occurrence:	1936
Incident Report:	23-037683
Personnel Involved:	Officer Cameron Wofford #839
Force Used:	Takedown
Subject Actions:	Resisting arrest, refusing police commands

Summary:

On April 1st, 2023, at 1936 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a call of a domestic disturbance at 660 E. El Prado Road in Chandler. The caller stated his roommate was drunk and they were involved in a disorder.

Officers arrived and spoke with the caller. The caller stated his roommate, Jacob Davis, was drunk and during an argument threw a hard piece of pizza at him striking him on the hand. The caller had a bleeding cut on his hand from the pizza.

Officers then contacted Mr. Davis who was sitting outside in the back yard. He was intoxicated, argumentative, and refused to answer questions. After several attempts to get information from Mr. Davis were unsuccessful, Officer Wofford grabbed Mr. Davis's arm to effect an arrest. Mr. Davis abruptly got up, pulled his arm away from Officer Wofford's grip, and attempted to walk away. Officer Wofford grabbed Mr. Davis by the torso and took him to the ground. While on the ground Mr. Davis resisted being handcuffed by tensing his arms. At one point he attempted to bite Detective Lauritzen, who had arrived and was assisting with the arrest. Mr. Davis was eventually handcuffed and taken into custody.

Mr. Davis sustained abrasions and contusions to his back and left elbow. Medical aid was not provided. Mr. Davis was booked into the Gilbert Chandler Unified Holding Facility. A Body worn camera captured the use of force, and photos were taken of the incident.

Charges on suspect:

Disorderly conduct DV
Assault DV

Injuries:

Mr. Davis sustained abrasions and contusions to his back and left elbow.

Summary 2

Date of Occurrence: 04/02/2023
Time of Occurrence: 2019
Incident Report: 23-038086
Personnel Involved: Officer Zachary Thomas #801
Force Used: CEW X2
Subject Actions: Refusing police commands, aggravated assault on officer

Summary:

On April 2nd, 2023, at 2019 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a call of an unknown problem at 87 W. Ivanhoe Place in Chandler. The caller stated her son was on drugs and holding a knife.

Officers arrived and spoke with the caller. The caller stated her son was on drugs and paranoid. He had been holding a knife and pacing in the home stating people were trying to get him. Officers observed the caller's son, identified as Raul Soto, having what appeared to be a physical and verbal confrontation with his father inside the home. A family member opened the home and allowed officers to enter. The officers saw Mr. Soto holding a power tool in one hand and a plastic bag with unknown items in the other. Two officers grabbed Mr. Soto's arms to handcuff and detain him. He tensed his arms and attempted to break free. As the officers struggled with him, Mr. Soto managed to exit the home and enter the carport area. During the struggle Mr. Soto kicked one of the officers. Officer Thomas warned Mr. Soto if he continued to resist, he would deploy his CEW. After several warnings Officer Thomas successfully deployed his CEW. The officers took Mr. Soto to the ground and attempted to handcuff him. After the CEW's 5 second cycle ended he continued to resist and began to reach into his waistband. Officer Thomas then drive stunned Mr. Soto's shoulder/back area with his CEW. Officers were then able to handcuff and detain him.

Mr. Soto sustained puncture wounds from the CEW deployment, as well as a laceration to his head. Paramedics responded and sedated Mr. Soto. He was then transported to a local hospital for treatment. Officers Andrews and Natividad sustained abrasions to their hands. A body worn camera captured the use of force, and photos were taken of the incident.

Charges on suspect:

Disorderly conduct DV
Resisting arrest

Injuries:

Mr. Soto sustained puncture wounds from the CEW deployment, as well as a laceration to his head.

Officers Andrews and Natividad sustained abrasions to their hands.

Summary 3

Date of Occurrence: 04/03/2023

Time of Occurrence: 2020

Incident Report: 23-038517

Personnel Involved: Officer Cameron Wofford #839, Zachary Thomas #801
Officer Tanner Hall #868, Officer Sergio Natividad #783

Force Used: Sage Gun, takedown

Subject Actions: Refusing police commands

Summary:

On April 3rd, 2023, at 2020 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a call of a DUI driver around McQueen Road and Warner Road in Chandler. The caller stated a yellow Nissan had struck a curb and a center median.

Officer Thomas spotted the vehicle around 175 N. McQueen Road and initiated a traffic stop. The vehicle made an abrupt turn and began to enter the residential complex located at 1075 E. Chandler Boulevard. As the electric security gate opened, Officer Thomas exited his patrol car and contacted the driver, later identified as Jonathon Vega. Mr. Vega refused to provide his driver's license, was reaching into the center console, and refused to put his vehicle in park. He then drove into the complex. Officer Thomas got back in his vehicle and followed. Mr. Vega pulled into a parking spot and abruptly got out. Officer Thomas gave him commands to get on the ground, but he refused, stating "shoot me" and making gestures as if he was going to re-enter his car. A Pitbull dog was in the back seat of the car. Several officers arrived, to include CIT trained officers and Crisis Negotiators. They tried to reason with Mr. Vega but to no avail. Officer Wofford, who had arrived with his Sage Gun, was also present. At one point during the negotiations Mr. Vega made a gesture as if he was going to return to his car and open the door. Officer Wofford deployed his Sage Gun striking Mr. Vega in the leg. Officers Thomas, Hall, and Natividad were able to move in, take him to the ground, and into custody.

Mr. Vega sustained a contusion to his leg from the Sage Gun and a laceration to his head from being taken to the ground. Paramedics responded and transported him to a local hospital for treatment. A Body worn camera captured the use of force, and photos were taken of the incident.

Charges on suspect:

DUI

Resisting arrest

Interfering with duties of a public official

Injuries:

Mr. Vega sustained a contusion to his leg from the Sage Gun deployment and a laceration to his head from being taken to the ground.

Summary 4

Date of Occurrence: 04/10/2023
Time of Occurrence: 2306
Incident Report: 23-41585
Personnel Involved: Officer Dan Hullings #428
Force Used: Takedown
Subject Actions: Refusing police commands, attempted aggravated assault

Summary:

On April 10th, 2023, at 2306 hours, Chandler Police Officer Hullings was on patrol around McQueen Road and Pecos Road in Chandler. He heard a woman screaming near a vehicle at a restaurant located at 1020 E. Pecos Road.

As Officer Hullings approached the driver of the vehicle who stated a woman was harassing customers at the restaurant and was banging on the restaurant window with a large skateboard. The driver provided the officer with a description of the woman and last direction of travel.

Officer Hullings located the woman behind a nearby strip mall and made contact. The woman, later identified as Andrea McMurray, fled from Officer Hullings after he ordered her to stop. The officer followed Ms. McMurray as she eventually got tired and slowed down. As Officer Hullings got out of his vehicle to make contact, Ms. McMurray raised the skateboard over her shoulder as if preparing to strike the officer. Officer Hullings ordered her to drop the skateboard, but she refused. Officer Hullings stepped to the side, grabbed Ms. McMurray by the arm, and took her to the ground. Ms. McMurray resisted being handcuffed by tensing her arms and not obeying the officer's commands. Officer Hullings kept control of her until additional officers arrived and handcuffed her.

Ms. McMurray sustained a laceration to her mouth from being taken to the ground. Paramedics responded and transported her to a local hospital where she was admitted. Officer Hullings sustained abrasions to his knee. A body worn camera captured the use of force, and photos were taken of the incident.

Charges on suspect:

Aggravated assault on an officer (Long form)

Injuries:

Ms. McMurray sustained a laceration to her mouth from being taken to the ground.

Officer Hullings sustained abrasions to his knee.

Summary 5

Date of Occurrence: 04/11/2023
Time of Occurrence: 1545
Incident Report: 23-41867
Personnel Involved: Officer Cameron Wofford #839
Force Used: CEWX2
Subject Actions: Refusing police commands, active aggression towards officers

Summary:

On April 11th, 2023, at 1545 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a domestic disturbance at 501 E. Ray Road in Chandler. According to the caller, her boyfriend had assaulted her.

Officers arrived and contacted the caller and her boyfriend, identified as John Walter. As the officers spoke to them separately, the caller explained how Mr. Walter had assaulted her by slapping her face. During their conversation, Officer Wofford could hear Mr. Walter getting upset with Officer Green. As he approached them, Mr. Walter clenched his fists and got into a fighting stance. Officer Wofford attempted to de-escalate Mr. Walter but was unsuccessful. Mr. Walter punched the side of the trailer and punched out a window. Officer Wofford drew his CEW and ordered Mr. Walter to the ground, warning him several times he would be "tazed." Mr. Walter refused. Officer Wofford deployed two CEW cartridges which connected with Mr. Walter. As he fell to the ground, officers approached and took him into custody.

Mr. Walter sustained puncture wounds from the CEW deployment. Paramedics responded and transported him to a local hospital where he was admitted. A Body worn camera captured the use of force, and photos were taken of the incident.

Charges on suspect:

Aggravated assault on an officer (Long form)
Assault DV (Long form)
Criminal Damage DV (Long form)
Disorderly conduct DV (Long form)
Obstructing a police officer (Long form)

Injuries:

Mr. Walter sustained puncture wounds from the CEW deployment.

Summary 6

Date of Occurrence: 04/19/2023
Time of Occurrence: 1627
Incident Report: 23-45140
Personnel Involved: Officer Jesse Land #843
Force Used: CEW
Subject Actions: Attempting to attack a family with a hammer

Summary:

On April 19th, 2023, at 1627 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a domestic disturbance at 750 S. Crosscreek Place in Chandler. According to the caller, Krystal Rebhun was on her way to the Crosscreek address to harm her ex-boyfriend armed with a hammer.

Officers arrived and contacted the ex-boyfriend and his family. As they spoke with the ex-boyfriend Ms. Rebhun was seen driving past the home in her car. Officers attempted to catch up to her and conduct a traffic stop. She failed to stop for the officers and returned to the ex-boyfriend's home. She exited her car with a hammer in her hand and walked towards the home. Officer Land ordered her to stop but she refused. Officer Land deployed his CEW, causing Ms. Rebhun to fall to the ground. She was placed in handcuffs and arrested.

Ms. Rebhun sustained puncture wounds from the CEW deployment and a laceration to her head. Paramedics responded and transported her to a local hospital for treatment. After being released, Ms. Rebhun was transported to the Gilbert Chandler Unified Holding Facility and booked. A body worn camera captured the use of force, and photos were taken of the incident.

Charges on suspect:

Threats DV
Disorderly conduct DV
Failure to obey a police officer

Injuries:

Ms. Rebhun sustained puncture wounds from the CEW deployment and a laceration to her head.

Summary 7

Date of Occurrence: 04/20/2023
Time of Occurrence: 0545
Incident Report: 23-45368
Personnel Involved: Officer Rich Rimbach #711, Officer Martin Orozco #818
Force Used: Takedown
Subject Actions: Fled from officer

Summary:

On April 20th, 2023, at 0545 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a trespassing at 600 W. Galveston Street in Chandler. The caller stated a previously trespassed person was at the store. The caller had locked himself in the store prior to calling police.

Officers arrived and the previously trespassed person, identified as Kevin Kelly. As Officer Orozco spoke to him, he abruptly took off running. Officer Orozco grabbed him by the arm to detain him as Officer Rimbach arrived and tackled him. Both officers and Mr. Kelly went to the ground. Mr. Kelly was subsequently taken into custody. It was later determined Mr. Kelly had not been previously trespassed.

Mr. Kelly sustained abrasions to his face and hands. Paramedics responded and treated him. Mr. Kelly was then transported to the Chandler City Court Holding facility to be seen by a judge. Officers Rimbach and Orozco sustained abrasions to their hands and knees. A body worn camera captured the use of force, and photos were taken of the incident.

Charges on suspect:

Obstructing a police officer

Injuries:

Mr. Kelly sustained abrasions to his face and hands.

Officers Rimbach and Orozco sustained abrasions to their hands and knees.

Summary 8

Date of Occurrence: 04/28/2023
Time of Occurrence: 2333
Incident Report: 23-48998
Personnel Involved: Officer Hunter Davisson #847
Force Used: CEWX2
Subject Actions: Refused to get out of vehicle

Summary:

On April 28th, 2023, at 2333 hours, Chandler Police Officer Davisson responded to a suspicious vehicle in the greenbelt area within a parking lot near a Goodwill store. The location was within the Town of Gilbert but due to the proximity of the location Officer Davisson responded.

Officer Davisson arrived and observed the vehicle was high centered on a curb within the parking lot. Officer Davisson contacted the driver, identified as William Carnduff. Mr. Carnduff stated he had come from a bar but had not had any alcohol to drink. His speech was slurred, he had red and watery eyes, and appeared to be sweating. Gilbert Police arrived to initiate a DUI investigation.

As Gilbert Officers instructed Mr. Carnduff exit the vehicle, he refused. After several requests, the decision was to remove him from the vehicle. Mr. Carnduff gripped the steering wheel and resisted being removed. Officer Davisson entered the passenger door and told Mr. Carnduff that if he did not release the steering wheel and get out, he would be "tazed." After he refused, Officer Davisson activated his CEW in drive stun mode on Mr. Carnduff's arm, causing him to release the steering wheel. He still resisted getting out, so Officer Davisson activated his CEW a second time in drive stun mode to his midsection. Mr. Carnduff was then removed from the vehicle and taken into custody by Gilbert Police Officers.

Mr. Carnduff did not sustain any visible injuries. He was taken to the Gilbert Chandler Unified Holding Facility by Gilbert Police and processed for DUI. A body worn camera captured the use of force. No photos were taken of the incident.

Charges on suspect:

DUI (Gilbert PD)

Injuries:

Mr. Carnduff did not sustain any visible injuries.

Summary 9

Date of Occurrence: 04/29/2023

Time of Occurrence: 0239

Incident Report: 23-49065

Personnel Involved: Officer Hunter Davisson #847, Officer Matthew Lerma #867

Force Used: Takedown, fist strikes

Subject Actions: Refused to identify themselves

Summary:

On April 29th, 2023, at 0239 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to Harrison Street and Jackson Street in Chandler to assist an officer who was contacting two males. The officer contacting the two males had requested non-emergency backup.

Officers Davisson and Lerma, along with other officers, arrived to assist. During the contact with the two males, the decision was made to arrest them both for failing to identify themselves. One of the males attempted to walk away but was handcuffed and arrested without further incident. An officer approached the second male, later identified as Ramon Martinez Alvarado, to effect an arrest. Mr. Alvarado turned and advanced towards the officer in an aggressive manner. Officers Davisson and Lerma grabbed Mr. Alvarado by his arms but he tensed up and attempted to break away. Both officers took Mr. Alvarado to the ground. Once on the ground Mr. Alvarado punched Officer Davisson in the face as he continued to actively resist and fight the officers. Officer Davisson delivered two fist strikes to Mr. Alvarado's head and positioned himself on top of him. As he continued to resist, Officer Lerma delivered three fist strikes to Mr. Alvarado's torso. Both officers gave instructions for Mr. Alvarado to stop resisting. Mr. Alvarado reached for Officer Davisson's knife that was on his duty belt. When Officer Davisson repositioned himself, he felt Mr. Alvarado grab his gun holster. Officer Davisson told Officer Lerma what Mr. Alvarado was attempting to do. Both officers repositioned themselves and were eventually able to take Mr. Alvarado into custody.

Mr. Alvarado sustained abrasions to his legs, arms, and torso. He refused medical treatment and was taken to the Gilbert Chandler Unified Holding Facility and booked. Officer Davisson sustained abrasions to his hands. Officer Lerma sustained abrasions to his neck. Officer Davisson's body worn camera became dislodged and inoperable during the altercation. Officer Lerma's body worn camera captured the use of force. Photos were taken of the incident.

Charges on suspect:

Aggravated assault on an officer
Obstruction
Resisting arrest
Interfering with the duties of a public official

Injuries:

Mr. Alvarado sustained abrasions to his legs, arms, and torso.

Officer Davisson sustained abrasions to his hands.

Officer Lerma sustained abrasions to his neck.

Summary 10

Date of Occurrence: 05/08/2023

Time of Occurrence: 0845

Incident Report: 23-53023

Personnel Involved: Officer Mariah Madaras #813, Officer Joseph Youcupicio #853

Force Used: Takedown

Subject Actions: Non-compliance with commands, attempted to break free from officers

Summary:

On May 8th, 2023, at 0845 hours, officers responded to a disorder at the Chandler Police Station lobby located at 250 E. Chicago Street in Chandler. There was already an officer contacting the disorderly person, who had been identified as Desiree Kirkpatrick. Additional officers responded to assist.

Officers arrived and contacted Ms. Kirkpatrick outside the lobby area. A records check revealed she had an active warrant for her arrest. Officers told her she was under arrest for a warrant. Officers Madaras and Youcupicio grabbed her by the arms to effect an arrest. Ms. Kirkpatrick resisted by attempted to break away. Both officers took her to the ground and into custody.

Ms. Kirkpatrick sustained an abrasion to her shoulder. She was provided medical aid by responding paramedics and was transported to the nearby Chandler City Court Holding Facility. Photographs were not taken of the incident. A body worn camera captured the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

Warrant

Injuries:

Ms. Kirkpatrick sustained an abrasion to her shoulder.

Summary 11

Date of Occurrence: 05/13/2023
Time of Occurrence: 0217
Incident Report: 23-54924
Personnel Involved: Officer Nathan Bailey #876, Officer Jay Clark #852
Force Used: Takedown, knee strikes
Subject Actions: Non-compliance with commands, active aggression

Summary:

On May 13th, 2023, at 0217 hours, Officer Bailey was on duty patrolling the area of Arizona Avenue and the 202 Freeway. He contacted a male later identified as Quinn Harrison who was trespassing behind a business located at 1400 S. Arizona Avenue in Chandler.

Upon contact Mr. Harrison refused to provide identification, became agitated, and clenched his teeth and his fists, challenging the officer to fight. Officer Bailey withdrew his CEW and kept Mr. Harrison at bay until other officers arrived to assist. Officers Bailey and Clark tried to take him into custody by grabbing his arms. Mr. Harrison resisted being arrested by tensing his arms, preventing the officers from handcuffing him. Both officers took Mr. Harrison to the ground. Mr. Harrison tucked both his arms underneath his body. Officer Bailey delivered several knee strikes to his torso to gain compliance as Officer Clark continued to pull on Mr. Harrison's arms to effect an arrest. Additional officers arrived and he was subsequently taken into custody.

Mr. Harrison complained of not being able to breathe. Paramedics arrived and transported him to a local hospital where he was admitted. Photographs were not taken of the incident. A body worn camera captured the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

Resisting arrest (long form)
Refusing to provide identification (long form)

Injuries:

Mr. Harrison complained of not being able to breathe.

Summary 12

Date of Occurrence: 05/14/2023
Time of Occurrence: 2200
Incident Report: 23-55615
Personnel Involved: Officer Nicholas Jordan #815
Force Used: Bola Wrap, takedown X2
Subject Actions: Non-compliance with commands, fled from officers

Summary:

On May 14th, 2023, at 2200 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a call of a theft at 2755 W. Chandler Boulevard in Chandler. According to the caller, two males had taken items without paying and fled. One of the males was observed to be in possession of a handgun. A description and direction of travel was provided.

Officer Jordan located the two males near 2595 W. Chandler Boulevard. Upon contact the two males fled on foot. Officer Jordan pursued one of the males, later identified as Joseph Gonzales. As he pursued Mr. Gonzales on foot, Officer Jordan deployed his department issued Bola Wrap with negative results. Officer Jordan was able to catch up with Mr. Gonzales and push him to the ground. Mr. Gonzales got back up and attempted to flee. Officer Jordan pushed him to the ground a second time and attempted to handcuff him. He was able to control once hand as Mr. Gonzales reached into his waistband with his other hand. Officer Jordan observed a firearm falling out of Mr. Gonzales' waistband. Officer Jordan was able to grab the firearm and throw it away as he continued to struggle with him. Once the gun was discarded, Mr. Gonzales became compliant and stopped resisting. He was taken into custody.

Mr. Gonzales complained of having asthma and had abrasions to his arm. Paramedics arrived and treated him prior to being transported to the Gilbert Chandler Unified Holding Facility where he was booked. Photographs were not taken of the incident. A body worn camera recorded the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

Shoplifting
Carrying a concealed weapon
Interfering with a public official

Injuries:

Mr. Gonzales complained of having asthma and had abrasions to his arm.

Summary 13

Date of Occurrence: 05/19/2023
Time of Occurrence: 0031
Incident Report: 23-57418
Personnel Involved: Officer Richard Rimbach #711
Force Used: Takedown
Subject Actions: Non-compliance with commands, fled from officers

Summary:

On May 19th, 2023, at 0031 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a call of threats with a gun at 299 S. Oregon Street in Chandler. According to the caller, a male stated he had a gun and threatened to shoot him in the face. An unknown object was seen in the male's hand. A description of the male and direction of travel was provided.

Officer Rimbach observed a male fitting the description of suspect at the corner of Oregon Street and Boston Street. Upon contact the male, later identified as Luis Hernandez, fled from Officer Rimbach on foot. The officer was able to catch up with Mr. Hernandez and took him to the ground. Once on the ground Officer Rimbach was able to take him into custody. No item was found in Mr. Hernandez.

Mr. Hernandez sustained abrasions to his forehead and hand. Paramedics arrived and treated him prior to being transported to the Gilbert Chandler Unified Holding Facility where he was booked. Photographs were not taken of the incident. A body worn camera recorded the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

Resisting arrest
Interfering with a public official

Injuries:

Mr. Hernandez sustained abrasions to his forehead and hand.

Summary 14

Date of Occurrence: 05/20/2023

Time of Occurrence: 0006

Incident Report: 23-57875

Personnel Involved: Officer Ryan Osborn #837, Officer Dallin Bacon #835,
Officer Kaitlyn Altmayer #871

Force Used: Takedown, knee strikes, fist strikes

Subject Actions: Non-compliance with commands, aggravated assault on officer

Summary:

On May 20th, 2023, at 0006 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a call of a domestic disturbance at 731 E. Oakland Street in Chandler. The caller stated his cousin, Luiz Ballesteros, had assaulted him and punched a hole in the wall.

Officers arrived and contacted Mr. Ballesteros who was standing at the entry of his bedroom. He was non-compliant and verbally abusive with the officers as they requested for him to come completely out of the room and speak with them. After developing probable cause to arrest him, Mr. Ballesteros was advised he was under arrest as the officers approached him to effect an arrest. As the officers attempted to arrest him, Mr. Ballesteros raised his hands and pushed the officers' hands and bodies back. At one point he struck Officer Bacon in the chest. Officers attempted to take him to the ground but found it difficult due to his size (6'0" tall and 400 lbs) and a confined hallway. Officer Osborn delivered three knee strikes to gain compliance, as Officer Bacon delivered a single fist strike to Mr. Ballesteros' face. Officers Altmayer, Bacon, and Osborn were eventually able to take him to the ground.

Mr. Ballesteros sustained a bloody nose. Paramedics arrived and treated him prior to being transported to the Gilbert Chandler Unified Holding Facility where he was booked. Photographs were taken of the incident. A body worn camera recorded the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

Resisting arrest
Aggravated assault on an officer
Disorderly conduct DV
Criminal damage DV

Injuries:

Mr. Ballesteros sustained a bloody nose.

Summary 15

Date of Occurrence: 05/22/2023
Time of Occurrence: 0150
Incident Report: 23-58626
Personnel Involved: Officer David Livingston #872
Force Used: Takedown
Subject Actions: Kicked at officers after being handcuffed

Summary:

On May 22nd, 2023, at approximately 0150 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a call of a welfare check at the intersection of Riggs Road and Lindsey Road in Chandler. The caller stated a male was walking in traffic and waving his arms.

Officer Livingston arrived and observed a male walking in the roadway. The male, later identified as Isaac Allcott, flipped off the officer upon contact. At one point Mr. Allcott attempted to open vehicle's door while it was stopped on the roadway. Officer Livingston approached Mr. Allcott and with the help of another officer that arrived, he was taken into custody without further incident. He appeared to be extremely intoxicated during the contact.

Once handcuffed Mr. Allcott was escorted to a nearby police car. Once at the police car Mr. Allcott started to resist by attempting to break the officer's grip and started kicking at officers. To prevent him from kicking, Officer Livingston grabbed Mr. Allcott's foot. This caused a loss of balance and he fell to the ground.

Mr. Allcott suffered a laceration to his chin. Paramedics responded and upon treatment Mr. Allcott started to projectile vomit. He was transported to a local hospital where he was admitted. Photographs were taken of the incident. A body worn camera recorded the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

No charges

Injuries:

Mr. Allcott suffered a laceration to his chin.

Summary 16

Date of Occurrence: 05/22/2023

Time of Occurrence: 2318

Incident Report: 23-59045

Personnel Involved: Officer Jay Clark #852, Officer Cameron Wofford #839,
Officer Dustin Hazer #840

Force Used: Takedown

Subject Actions: Resisting arrest, aggravated assault on officers

Summary:

On May 22nd, 2023, at 2318 hours, Officers' Clark, Wofford, and Hazer were in uniform and on duty completing a traffic stop near 868 S. Arizona Avenue. They observed Ruben Gonzales ride past them on a bicycle. They were aware Mr. Gonzales had a valid felony warrant for his arrest.

The officers contacted Mr. Gonzales and advised him he was under arrest for the warrant. When the officers went to arrest him, Mr. Gonzales began actively resisting and attempting to break free and flee. The officers took him to the ground. Once on the ground the officers told Mr. Gonzales he was under arrest and to stop resisting. He continued to actively resist by kicking and twisting, as well as positioning his legs to his chest to break free. The officers were able to place one wrist in handcuffs, but during the struggle Mr. Gonzales was able to place the arm with the handcuff under his body. He kicked Officer Wofford as he continued to resist. Additional officers arrived and he was eventually placed fully in handcuffs.

Mr. Gonzales sustained a laceration to his head and a broken ankle. Paramedics arrived and he was transported to a local hospital where he was treated and released. He was then taken to the Maricopa County Intake and Release facility and booked. Officer Hazer suffered a contusion and swelling to his wrist. Officer Wofford suffered abrasions to both his hands. Lt. Stewart suffered a laceration to his elbow. Officer Clark suffered a laceration and swelling to his wrist. Photos were taken at the scene and some of the body worn cameras captured the use of force. Several of the body worn cameras were detached during the altercation.

Charges on suspect:

Aggravated assault on an officer
Resisting arrest
Warrant
Drug paraphernalia

Injuries:

Mr. Gonzales sustained a laceration to his head and a broken ankle.

Officer Hazer suffered a contusion and swelling to his wrist.

Officer Wofford suffered abrasions to both his hands.

Lt. Stewart suffered a laceration to his elbow.

Officer Clark suffered a laceration and swelling to his wrist.

Summary 17

Date of Occurrence: 05/30/2023
Time of Occurrence: 1647
Incident Report: 23-62393
Personnel Involved: Lieutenant Dave Selvidge #L51
Force Used: Takedown
Subject Actions: Attempted to flee on motorcycle

Summary:

On May 30th, 2023, at 1647 hours, Lt. Selvidge was in uniform and on duty when he responded to a call of a DUI driver on a motorcycle around Alma School Road and Queen Creek Road in Chandler. After several attempts to locate the DUI rider, Lt. Selvidge located him near Arizona Avenue and Ocotillo Road as the rider was preparing to leave the private drive and enter the roadway.

Lt. Selvidge intercepted the rider, later identified as James Sloan, as he was preparing to leave. The officer turned on his overhead emergency lights and blocked the rider's way to stop him from leaving. As Lt. Selvidge got out of the vehicle, the rider attempted to ride around the patrol car and leave but stalled the motorcycle. The officer was able to grab Mr. Sloan, remove him from the motorcycle, and take him to the ground. A second officer arrived to assist and both officers were able to take him into custody.

Mr. Sloan complained of back and heart pain. Paramedics arrived and he was transported to a local hospital where he was admitted. Photos were taken at the scene and a body worn cameras captured the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

DUI (long form)

Injuries:

Mr. Sloan complained of back and heart pain.

Summary 18

Date of Occurrence: 06/07/2023
Time of Occurrence: 1425
Incident report: 23-65910
Personnel Involved: Officer Anand Kararia #850, Officer Steven Pfeifer #502
Force Used: Takedown
Subject Actions: Resisted being place in handcuffs

Summary:

On June 7th, 2023, at 1425 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a domestic violence call at 2381 S. Karen Street in Chandler. According to the caller her daughter, Elizabeth Glaser, assaulted her. When officers arrived, Ms. Glaser was walking away from the location.

Ms. Glaser yelled at Officer Kararia telling him she was going for a walk. The officer ordered Ms. Glaser to stop, telling her he needed to talk to her. She refused the officer's orders and continued to walk away. Officer Kararia again ordered her to stop and told her if she didn't, he would physically detain her. Ms. Glaser demanded the officer's name, then turned around and started to walk back towards the home where the caller was. Officer Kararia grabbed her right arm as Officer Pfeifer, who had just arrived, grabbed her left arm. Ms. Glaser tensed her arms and pulled them towards her chest to prevent the officers from handcuffing her. The officers took Ms. Glaser to the ground and placed her in handcuffs.

Ms. Glaser complained of back pain from a previous injury. Paramedics arrived and transported Ms. Glaser to a local hospital for treatment. Photos were not taken of the incident. Body worn cameras captured the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

Interfering with a public official (long form)

Injuries:

Ms. Glaser complained of back pain from a previous injury.

Summary 19

Date of Occurrence: 06/08/2023
Time of Occurrence: 2138
Incident report: 23-66535
Personnel Involved: Officer Zachary Hardman #812
Force Used: Sage gun
Subject Actions: Attempted to go back into residence

Summary:

On June 8th, 2023, at 2138 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a burglary in progress at 3701 E. Kingbird Place in Chandler. The caller arrived home and discovered a man inside through the second story bedroom window.

Chandler Police Officers arrived and after setting up a perimeter, used a PA loudspeaker system and made announcements for the male to come out. After some time, the male, later identified as Bryan Combs, came out of the front door. Mr. Combs initially was following the directions of Officer Hardman to come down the driveway and surrender. Mr. Combs then turned around and started to walk back towards the front door of the home. To prevent him from going back in, Officer Hardman deployed a single 40 MM Sage Gun round striking Mr. Combs in the back. He turned back around, walked towards the officers, and got on his knees, and was taken into custody. Once in custody it was determined Mr. Combs was a neighbor who was intoxicated and believed he was in his own home.

Mr. Combs sustained a contusion to his lower back. Paramedics arrived and provided medical aid. Mr. Combs was transported to the Gilbert Chandler Unified Holding Facility where he was booked. Photos were taken of the incident and several body worn cameras recorded the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

Interfering with a public official (long form)

Injuries:

Mr. Combs sustained a contusion to his lower back.

Summary 20

Date of Occurrence: 06/14/2023
Time of Occurrence: 1738
Incident report: 23-69056
Personnel Involved: Officer Zachary Hardman #812
Force Used: Push
Subject Actions: Attempted to flee while in handcuffs, assaulted officer

Summary:

On June 14th, 2023, at 1738 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a call of a violation of a court order at 858 W. Monterey Street in Chandler. The caller advised Kyle Toogood had returned after having been served with an order of protection earlier in the day.

Officers arrived and contacted Mr. Toogood. He was sitting on the ground on the side of the home. Officers handcuffed Mr. Toogood and took him into custody without incident. As the officers were escorting him to the patrol car, Mr. Toogood broke Officer Buenrostro's grip, kicked him in the leg, and fled on foot. Officers gave chase, with Officer Hardman catching up to Mr. Toogood and pushing him to the ground. Other officers arrived and Mr. Toogood was taken into custody a second time.

Mr. Toogood sustained an abrasion to his knee. Medical aid was not provided. He was transported to the Maricopa County Intake, Transfer, and Release facility where he was booked. Photos were not taken of the incident and several body worn cameras recorded the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

Aggravated assault on an officer
Escape
Violation of a court order

Injuries:

Mr. Toogood sustained an abrasion to his knee.

Summary 21

Date of Occurrence: 06/17/2023
Time of Occurrence: 1030
Incident report: 23-70165
Personnel Involved: Sergeant David Kerzie #S148
Force Used: Handcuffing
Subject Actions: Resisted being placed in handcuffs

Summary:

On June 17th, 2023, at 1030 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a call of domestic violence at 735 E. Saragosa Court in Chandler. The caller advised a male had assaulted a pregnant woman and was now arguing with the pregnant woman's sister. The pregnant woman's sister was identified as Megan Begay.

Sergeant Kerzie arrived and contacted the group. He observed Ms. Begay waving her hands and arms as she yelled at a male. He asked Ms. Begay to walk towards him and sit on the curb. She refused and yelled at the sergeant. Sergeant Kerzie continued to give commands to separate the group and stop them from arguing but got no compliance. Ms. Begay then started to walk towards the open door of a vehicle. Sergeant Kerzie ordered her to stop as he approached her. He grabbed Ms. Begay's arm to detain and prevent her from getting into the car. She initially pulled away, but Sergeant Kerzie was able to press her against the car. She resisted placing her hands behind her back as Sergeant Kerzie attempted to handcuff her. Eventually Ms. Begay was placed in handcuffs and placed in the back of a police vehicle as additional officers arrived.

Ms. Begay complained of injuries to her wrists from being handcuffed. Medical aid was not provided. She was issued a citation and released. Photos were taken of the incident and a body worn camera recorded the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

Interfering with a public official (citation)

Injuries:

Ms. Begay complained of injuries to her wrists from being handcuffed.

Summary 22

Date of Occurrence: 06/18/2023
Time of Occurrence: 1540
Incident report: 23-70654
Personnel Involved: Officer Marysol Green #717, Officer Josh Mendez #596
Force Used: Takedown
Subject Actions: Resisted being placed in handcuffs

Summary:

On June 18th, 2023, at 1540 hours, Chandler Police Officer Green was on patrol around Park Avenue and California Street. She observed a vehicle driving over the speed limit. As she attempted to catch up and conduct a traffic stop, the vehicle pulled into the residential driveway of 175 W. Orchid Lane.

Officer Green initiated a traffic stop. As she started to get out of her patrol car the driver, later identified as Ariana Braden, abruptly opened the driver door and placed both feet on the ground. Believing Ms. Braden was going to flee, Officer Green ordered her to stay in the car. Ms. Braden started to yell at Officer Green about knowing her rights and saying she could keep her door open. Officer Green approached the vehicle and observed a male passenger in the front passenger seat. Both Ms. Braden and the male began to argue with Officer Green and demanded she get off their property. Officer Mendez arrived to assist in the traffic stop. Officer Mendez asked Ms. Braden to get out of the vehicle, for which she complied. Officer Green immediately smelled an odor of alcohol once she got out of the vehicle. Once they were at the rear of the vehicle Ms. Braden attempted to walk away from Officer Mendez. Both officers ordered her to place her hands behind her back so that they could detain her in handcuffs. Ms. Braden refused, tensed her arms, and resisted being handcuffed. Both officers took Ms. Braden to the ground and handcuffed her.

Ms. Braden sustained abrasions to her left shoulder and elbow. She was offered medical aid but refused. She was transported to the Chandler Police Station so a DUI investigation could be conducted. She was then issued a citation and released. Photos were taken of the incident and a body worn camera recorded the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

Interfering with a public official (citation)
Speeding (citation)
Expired (citation)

Injuries:

Ms. Braden sustained abrasions to her left shoulder and elbow.

Summary 23

Date of Occurrence: 06/26/2023
Time of Occurrence: 1122
Incident report: 23-73690
Personnel Involved: Officer Marcelo Camacho #749, Officer Jose Coronado #842
Force Used: CEW X2, Pepper Spray X2, Fist strikes X4
Subject Actions: Aggravated assault on an officer, fled from police

Summary:

On June 26th, 2023, at 1122 hours, Chandler Police Officers responded to a call of a suspicious person around Cottonwood Street and Kempton Road in Chandler. According to the caller, a male lunged at a passing vehicle while carrying a bat or metal pole. When the caller stopped and approached the male, the male swung the item at him. A description of the male and a direction of travel was provided.

Officer Coronado located the male as he entered a vehicle on the driveway of 2453 E. Kempton Road. Officer Coronado surveilled the male in the vehicle while waiting for additional units to arrive. It appeared to Officer Coronado the male, later identified as Bryce Hunter, had broken into the car and was rummaging through it. Once Officer Camacho arrived, Officer Coronado approached Mr. Hunter who was still in the vehicle. Officer Camacho approached from the passenger side of the vehicle without Mr. Hunter noticing him. Officer Coronado asked Mr. Hunter to exit the vehicle and he complied. Both officers noticed the steering column to the vehicle had been damaged and partially removed. The vehicle's interior appeared to have been rummaged through.

Both officers approached Mr. Hunter and grabbed his arms to detain and handcuff him. Mr. Hunter broke free, and in the process punched Officer Coronado in the chest. Officer Coronado punched Mr. Hunter in the face as he ran from officers towards the residence's front door. Officer Coronado attempted two CEW probe deployments as he chased Mr. Hunter. Both sets of probes struck Mr. Hunter's back, but he was able to reach around and remove the probes. Officer Camacho delivered a burst of pepper spray at Mr. Hunter but missed. He reached the front door of the residence and attempted to enter. A female came out the front door and as Mr. Hunter attempted to enter the home, someone from inside the home closed the door on him. He then hid behind the woman who had come out (later determined to be an ex-girlfriend). The officers approached and grabbed Mr. Hunter, taking him to the ground. He tucked his arms under his chest to prevent the officers from arresting him. Officer Coronado delivered three fist strikes to Mr. Hunter's right arm to gain compliance as Officer Camacho delivered a burst of pepper spray to Mr. Hunter's face. Mr. Hunter immediately complied following the pepper spray and was taken into custody.

Mr. Hunter sustained irritation to his eyes from the pepper spray, and puncture wounds from the CEW deployment. He also sustained abrasions to his neck, back, and knees. Paramedics responded and rendered aid. He was transported to the Gilbert Chandler

Unified Holding Facility and booked. Officer Coronado sustained abrasions to his knees and his right hand was injured. Officer Camacho sustained abrasions to his right hand and both knees. Photos were taken of the incident and a body worn camera recorded the use of force.

Charges on suspect:

Aggravated assault on an officer
Criminal trespass
Resisting arrest

Injuries:

Mr. Hunter sustained irritation to his eyes from the pepper spray, puncture wounds from the CEW deployment, and abrasions to his neck, back, and knees.

Officer Coronado sustained abrasions to his knees and his right hand was injured.

Officer Camacho sustained abrasions to his right hand and both knees.