

I would like to point out that some of the questions being raised at this moment could be answered initially if there were timely and transparent data provided by the Mendocino County Sheriff's office.

Arrest data that are publically available are from 2018 from Open Justice. The sheriff frequently states on facebook that violent crime is up.

1. We need transparent and timely data. on a monthly basis aggregated by numbers and types of call and arrests by demographics.

- 5,078 ARRESTS MADE

Police made 5.7x as many arrests for misdemeanors as for violent crimes in 2016-2018.

- ARRESTS FOR LOW LEVEL OFFENSES

3,148 Misdemeanor Arrests | 19.6 per 1k residents

- 24 CIVILIAN COMPLAINTS OF POLICE MISCONDUCT

Only 1 in every 5 complaints were ruled in favor of civilians from 2016-18

2. We need to begin to address the contract (expiring in 2022) language that:

Disqualifies Complaints

Restricts / Delays Interrogations

Gives Officers Unfair Access to Information

Reforms like those proposed by 8cantwait are more performative than effective. This has been well documented the campaign was based on faulty data. Lets focus on transparency, contracts/MOUs that limit accountability, reducing LE contact with citizens that could better be responded to by responsive community service programs.

I have access to law enforcement data and experts, If you have questions about budgets, contracts, use of force or other issues, I am happy to respond and find answers that are not readily available to me.

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