



Police Review Board Second Annual Report

August 26, 2021

Mission Statement

The Police Review Board brings **enhanced community oversight of the Anaheim Police Department (APD)** with independent review of major incidents while also **serving as a forum for community feedback and education** about the role of policing in Anaheim.

Serving as the community's voice, the Police Review Board brings added **oversight and accountability** while also building trust between the Anaheim Police Department and those it serves.

Recommendation #1

In an effort to reinforce the ways in which APD has updated its policies and practices in the last two years in response to the current reform initiatives, the Department should develop a video that summarizes these changes and promote it both externally (City Council, website, community meetings) and internally (training sessions, officer briefings).

Recommendation #2

Immediate family members should be able to access factual information that does not impede investigations of critical incidents.

In the event an immediate family member requests additional information that the APD is unable to provide, the APD will provide that family member with the phone number to the assigned investigator at the District Attorney's Office.

Recommendation #3

The Major Incident Review Team (MIRT) review should acknowledge and address any incidences of explicit language within critical events, with an eye toward potential accountability or other interventions such as counseling or training.

Recommendation #4

The Department should consult with its affiliated chaplains about relevant techniques, training, or other resources for effectively dealing with members of the public who are experiencing conflict or crisis, both in the patrol setting or other contexts.

Recommendation #5

The Department should focus resources and attention on the goal of expanding the “public safety pipeline” by working with Anaheim school districts, and should collaborate with local businesses and City officials to help fund the programs.

Looking Forward

As the Board moves into their third year, members will continue to advise and make police policy recommendations to the City Manager with support from OIR Group. The Board will receive more informational presentations to learn more about APD which will help formulate policy recommendations and engage residents to partake in potential policy changes.

The following topics will be presented in the third year:

- Community Care Response Team
- Officer Discipline
- Community Policing
- Mental Health Resources