



## ANN ARBOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

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# Media Release

## Ann Arbor Police Department Launches New Transparency Dashboard

Beginning on April 6, 2023, community members can now access crime statistics from the Ann Arbor Police Department that includes calls for service, arrests and citations. The interactive dashboard allows the public to sort through the data by race and gender of those involved. It also includes citations issued month-by-month, the top calls for service, as well as the option to sort through arrests and charges.

“The public is owed transparency and accountability, and our new dashboard is the first step in a commitment to providing greater transparency to the Ann Arbor community. Our goal is to continue to increase the information listed in our dashboard, with plans to include police use-of-force incidents in the very near future,” said Interim Police Chief Aimee Metzger.

The dashboard is divided into three main categories:

**CALLS FOR SERVICE:** Represent the incidents requiring police response or attention. These can be requests for service which are called into 911, called into a non-emergency number, or are initiated by officers when they perform services in the field.

**ARRESTS:** Defined as when a person is taken into the government’s custody and detained. Some arrests are completed when a paper summons is issued on the scene, while others involve an arrestee being transported to a law enforcement facility. When an officer is unable to determine race and gender, the arrest race and gender categories are marked as UNKNOWN.

**CITATIONS:** A legal notice to a person or motor vehicle charged with a violation of law (or city ordinance), especially a minor violation. The cited person or motor vehicle is the defendant. A citation can be a civil infraction or a misdemeanor depending on the seriousness of the violation. All defendants who receive a citation must respond to the allegations in the citation. When an officer is unable to determine race and gender, the race and gender categories are marked as UNKNOWN.

The dashboard can be found on the Ann Arbor Police Department’s website. Information is updated every five minutes.