

BWC REPORT | 2018 Q3

The Saint Paul Police Department is committed to delivering trusted service with respect—every day, without exception. This report compiled quarterly is another way we show accountability to our community.

Trust is the foundation on which our department is built, and an unwavering commitment to transparency is one of the most important ways we build trust with our community.

To ensure that we are following our Body Worn Camera Policy, the department has established our own Quality Control Process. This process is a deliberate and detailed quality review of policy adherence conducted by supervisors, the Response to Resistance and Aggression review committee, a technical audit by our technology unit and twice monthly our Body Worn Camera Review Committee conducts an in-depth review of randomly selected video.

The Body Worn Camera Review Committee and members of our Technology Unit review videos as an ongoing process to ensure that cameras are being used properly and videos are being disseminated to the public in accordance with state law and department policy.

The Body Worn Camera Review Committee also reviews 24 randomly selected videos each month. All body worn camera videos captured by sworn employees, regardless of rank or assignment, are subject to this review.

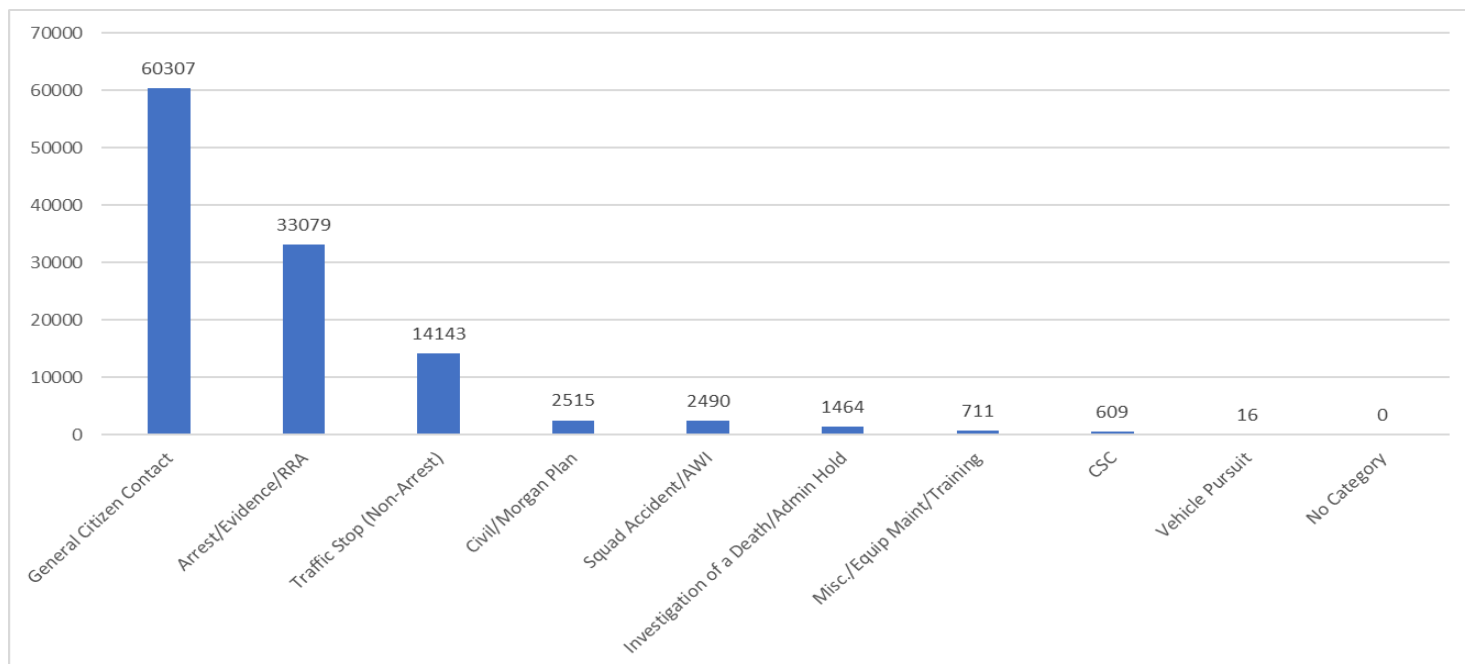
The Technology Unit is responsible for ensuring that the Body Worn Camera Program is operating within policy and statutory requirements, with a specific focus on making sure videos are being recorded, saved, categorized, retained, accessed, managed and deleted properly.

The following is the Body Worn Camera Report for the third quarter of 2018:

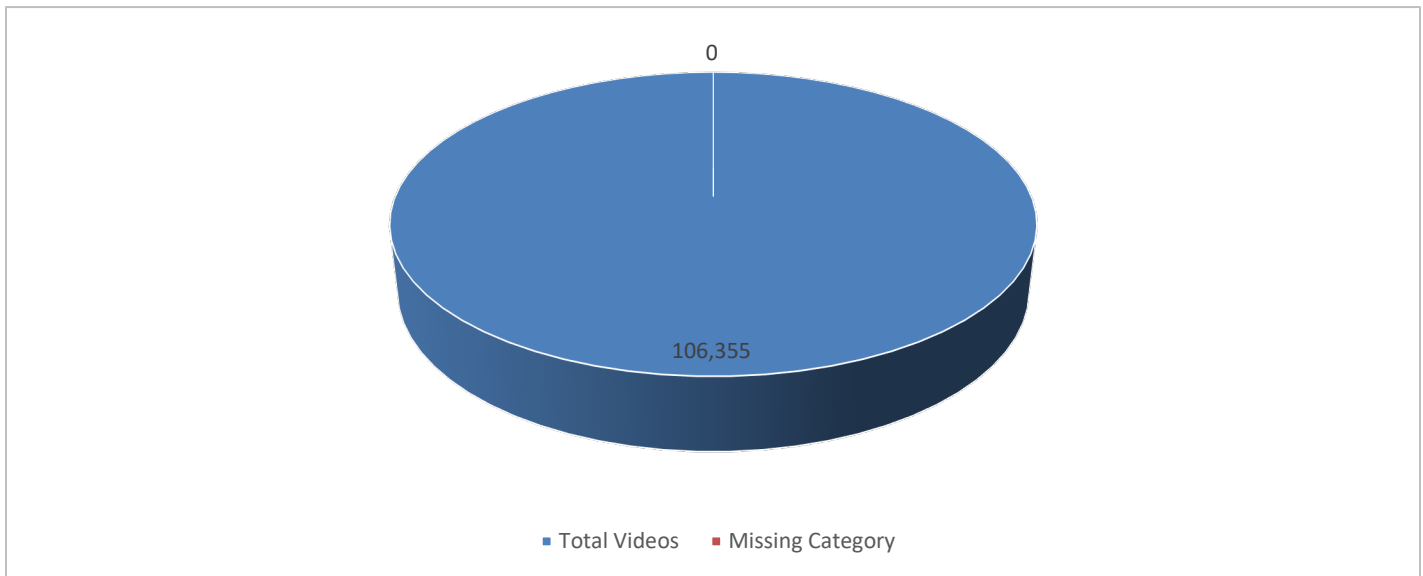
- Total videos during the 3rd Quarter: 106,355
- Total hours recorded: 20,727.83

Below is a breakdown of the categorization of Videos:

* Note: some videos have more than 1 category (a category is the title used to identify the type of video captured)



Categorized Videos during the 3rd quarter: 100 percent of 106,355 videos *



* Note: This means that all 106,355 videos have a category assigned to them. Further random reviews are conducted by the technology unit and the BWC Committee to identify accurate categorization of videos as per policy.

BWC Videos created by Division and Unit

Operations Division	
Unit Name	# of Videos
ACOP	1043
CANINE	2504
CENTRAL CODE ENFORCEMENT	25
CENTRAL DISTRICT	19311
CENTRAL INVESTIGATIONS	30
CITY WIDE MOTORS	1138
CITY WIDE TRAFFIC	2149
CITY-WIDE SERVICES	2
DOWNTOWN BEAT	5283
EAST CODE ENFORCEMENT	256
EAST INVESTIGATIONS	47
EASTERN DISTRICT	34968
FORCE	2024
MOUNTED POLICE	111
OPERS ADMIN	49
SPECIAL OPERATIONS UNIT	34
TRAFF ACC	768
WEST CODE ENFORCEMENT	16
WEST INVESTIGATIONS	79
WESTERN DISTRICT	31286

Major Crimes Division	
Unit Name	# of Videos
AUTO THEFT	249
BURGLARY	19
CAPERS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	362
CAPERS-SEX CRIMES	110
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	72
CRIMES AGAINST ELDERLY	29
FAMILY & SEXUAL VIOLENCE	62
FRAUD/FORGERY	4
GANG UNIT	1480
HOMICIDE/ROBBERY	38
HUMAN TRAFF-VICE	20
MN CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN	16
NARCOTICS	69
POR	370
PROPERTY CRIMES UNIT	28
S.I.U.	120
SAFE STREETS	7
YSS-JUVENILE	230
YSS-SCHOOL RESOURCE OFF	375

Support Services Division	
Unit Name	# of Videos
COMM SERV/MAINT	3
EAP	7
FORENSIC SERVICES UNIT	408
MENTAL HEALTH UNIT	302
PROPERTY ROOM	3
SUP SERV ADMIN	24
TARGET RANGE	10
TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	399
TRAINING	9
VIDEO MANAGEMENT	81

Chief's Office	
Unit Name	# of Videos
CHIEF'S OFFICE	305
INSPECTION	20
INTERNAL AFFAIRS	1

Body Worn Camera Quality Control Review Information

The Body Worn Camera Review Committee audited a total of 72 randomly selected videos during the third quarter of 2018. The charts below show the rank and assignment of the employees whose videos were reviewed.

Employee Rank		
Officer	38	52.78%
Sergeant	28	38.89%
Commander	4	5.56%
Sr. Commander	2	2.78%

Employee Division		
Chief's Office	1	1.39%
Operations	53	73.61%
Major Crimes	16	22.22%
Support Services	2	2.78%

There were 72 videos selected for audit. Those 72 videos were created by 69 individual employees. Of these 69 employees, three had two videos selected.

Video Category *		
General Citizen Contact	25	26.32%
Arrest/Evidence/RRA	21	22.11%
Traffic Stop (Non-Arrest)	13	13.68%
Squad Accident/AWI	7	7.37%
Misc./Equip Maint./Training	6	6.32%
Civil/Morgan Plan	7	6.32%
Investigation of a Death/Admin Hold	5	5.26%
Vehicle Pursuit	6	6.32%
CSC	6	6.32%

** Some videos have more than 1 category*

Policy Compliance Audit

Of the 72 videos audited for this quarter, 68 were found to have no corrective action needed. One video resulted in a letter of commendation being written to the district Senior Commander because of the outstanding work done by the officer. One resulted in supervisory coaching. Four reviews showed potential policy violations such as missing the 30-second buffer, not recording prior to arrival, or ending the recording early. These resulted in memos being written to the Assistant Chief explaining the violations for further follow-up to be completed by the employee's chain of command.

Review Committee Recommendation Summary *		
1 - No Action Needed	68	91.89%
2 - Positive Training Video	0	0.00%
3 - Kudos (recognition)	1	1.35%
4 - Add to Training Curriculum	0	0.00%
5 - General Roll Call Training Request	0	0.00%
6 - Supervisory Coaching	1	1.35%
7 - Memo to Assistant Chief **	4	5.41%
8 - Memo to IAU	0	0.00%

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***The 4 potential violations were Investigative and found to be violations of policy resulting in supervisory counseling*

BWC Quality Control Work Sheet Data Points			
	Yes	No	N/A
Owner is correct	72	0	0
Case Number correct	71	1	0
Category correct/appropriate	71	1	0
Uploaded within policy	72	0	0
Activated prior to arrival (dispatched calls)	63	2	7
Buffer = 30 Seconds (or proper exception)	68	2	2
BWC header and proper narrative exist	20	1	51
Recording ended appropriately	68	2	2
Mute during any portion	0	72	0
Mute, correctly documented	0	0	72
Reviewed audit log for video	72	0	0
If viewed, were post notes added?	2	0	70

Audit of Mandatory Recordings

In addition to the videos reviewed by the Body Worn Camera Review Committee, a Technology Unit Sergeant conducted compliance checks of randomly selected body worn camera videos related to traffic stops, burglary calls, and traffic crashes, all of which require mandatory recording.

- Mandatory Recordings for **Burglary Calls**:
 - o The data showed that during the 3rd quarter there were 545 instances where officers were dispatched to a burglary call (note: if a two-person squad was dispatched to a single burglary, the system is looking for two videos, one from each of the officers in the squad car).
 - o The computer-generated query showed that there were 27 missing videos from the expected 545 videos
 - o A human review showed that there were 12 instances where video would normally have been recorded but may not have been. These instances were referred to the unit commanders for follow-up to determine the exact circumstances. This means that only 2.20 % needed follow-up. This follow up is pending and will be noted as to outcome in the fourth quarter.

- Mandatory Recordings for **Traffic Crashes**:
 - o The data showed that during the 3rd quarter there were 4,042 instances where officers were dispatched to a traffic crash (note: if a two-person squad was dispatched to a single crash, the system is looking for two videos, one from each of the officers in the squad car).
 - o The computer-generated query showed that there were 242 missing videos from the expected 4,042 videos.
 - o A human review showed that there were 44 instances where video would normally have been recorded but may not have been. These instances were referred to the unit commanders for follow-up action to determine the exact circumstances. This means

that 1.09 % of the 4,042 incidents were potentially missing videos needing follow-up. This follow up is pending and will be noted as to outcome in the fourth quarter.

- Mandatory Recordings for **Traffic Stops**:
 - o The data showed that there were 11,876 instances where officers conducted a traffic stop (note: if a two-person squad did a single traffic stop, the system would be looking for two videos, one from each of the officers in the squad car).
 - o The computer-generated query showed that there were 641 missing videos from the expected 11,876 videos.
 - o A human review showed that there were 62 instances where video would normally have been recorded but may not have been. These instances were referred to the unit commanders for follow-up action to determine the exact circumstances. This means that 0.52 % of the 11,876 traffic stops were potentially missing videos. This follow up is pending and will be noted as to outcome in the fourth quarter.

Equipment Failure

The Saint Paul Police Department tracks all instances of body worn camera equipment failure.

Between July 1, 2018 and September 30, 2018 there were 31 instances of equipment failure noted by police officers. Equipment failures ranged from batteries not charging properly to defective cameras. In all instances, the cameras were repaired or returned to the manufacturer for service or replacement.

Supervisory Reviews

In addition to the videos reviewed through the department's Quality Control Process, another 3,697 videos were reviewed by supervisors and investigators as part of their day-to-day duties.

Supervisors and investigators are required to note and report any policy violations they identify related to body worn camera use, so issues can be addressed. As of this report, no violations have been reported.