

# Highlights

## Why We Did This Audit

On March 24, 2022, The City Council passed [Ordinance 220216](#) creating the Community Policing and Prevention Fund. The ordinance also directs the City Auditor to schedule and conduct quarterly audits of the Board of Police Commissioners efforts to meet the city's expectations as outlined in the ordinance and report to the Council as soon as practical after the end of each fiscal quarter.

## Objective

Did the Police Department spend the Community Policing and Prevention Fund as expected by the City Council during the second quarter?

## Background

The ordinance establishes the city's expectations regarding the Police Department's expenditure of \$33.36 million in the 12 categories during fiscal year 2023. (See Exhibit 1.)

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## PERFORMANCE AUDIT – February 13, 2023

### FY 2023 Second Quarter: Police Spending from the Community Policing and Prevention Fund

#### What We Found

The Police Department reported spending about 21% of the funds appropriated to the Community Policing and Prevention Fund (CPPF) and allocated these expenditures to eligible spending categories in the second quarter. The department spent about half of CPPF through the second quarter.

For the second quarter, we verified whether officers were assigned to dedicated patrol and community outreach in Kansas City, Police Crime Lab expenses allocated to CPPF, and newly hired officers as reported. The City Council may not have expected the department to include an academy class that began in the previous fiscal year in the category for hiring at least 88 new officers. Additionally, we projected the fund category for hiring of new officers to have at least \$1.5 million in unspent dollars for fiscal year 2023.

We did not request a response from the department because we did not make any recommendations.



Exhibit 1: CPPF 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Expenditures Compared to Appropriation, by category, FY 22-23

| Spend Category  | Council Appropriation | 1st Quarter Expenses | 2nd Quarter Expenses | Percent Spent |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| (a) Hiring of at least 88 officers with a focus on diversity recruitment                    | \$4,000,000           | \$349,310            | \$383,936            | 18%           |
| (b) Salary increases  | \$5,152,653           | \$805,328            | \$993,643            | 35%           |
| (c) Dedicated patrol and community outreach staff   | \$4,278,763           | \$771,505            | \$684,623            | 34%           |
| (d) Establishment of Community Action Network (CAN) Centers in East Patrol and Metro Patrol | \$400,000             | \$48,861             | \$65,617             | 29%           |
| (e) Full-time dedicated Crisis Intervention (CIT) officers                                  | \$550,228             | \$142,749            | \$125,361            | 49%           |
| (f) 9-1-1 Call Takers and Communications Unit operations                                    | \$6,570,400           | \$1,232,948          | \$1,153,538          | 36%           |
| (g) Violent Crimes Division victim and witness support services                             | \$7,000,000           | \$3,099,494          | \$2,647,237          | 82%           |
| (h) Special Operations Division and Traffic   | \$2,588,875           | \$2,588,875          | \$ ---               | 100%          |
| (i) Police Crime Laboratory including DNA Detection Software                                | \$2,000,000           | \$1,113,598          | \$886,402            | 100%          |
| (j) Dedicated School Resource Officers (SRO) for Public Schools in Kansas City              | \$320,000             | \$124,122            | \$89,733             | 67%           |
| (k) Enhanced publicly available data reporting  | \$200,000             | \$14,526             | \$30,968             | 23%           |
| (l) Enhanced cell phone analytical software and support                                     | \$300,000             | \$205,430            | \$18,210             | 75%           |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>\$33,360,919</b>   | <b>\$10,496,748</b>  | <b>\$7,079,268</b>   | <b>53%</b>    |

Sources: KCPD Fiscal Division and City Auditor's Office Analysis.



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