

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 third 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 – April 17, 2023

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

What We Found

The Police Department reported spending about 19% of the funds appropriated to the Community Policing and Prevention Fund (CPPF) and allocated these expenditures to eligible spending categories in the third quarter. The department spent about 71% of CPPF through the third quarter.

For the third quarter, we verified officers and staff were correctly reported in the categories of 911 call takers and communications unit (f), and Violent Crimes Division victim and witness support services (g).

We also verified the accuracy of reported changes in the number of recruits in academy classes. Lateral recruits, officers transferred from other agencies, had not yet been charged to the Community Policing and Prevention Fund. Their third quarter charge included previous quarters they worked for the department.

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

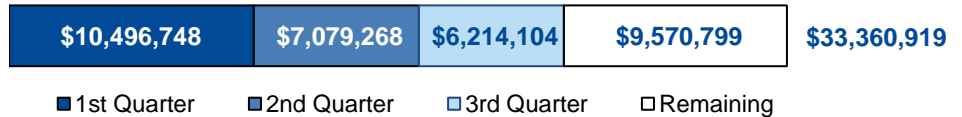


Exhibit 1: CPPF 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Quarter Expenditures Compared to Appropriation, by Category, FY 2022-23

Spend Category	Council Appropriation	1st Quarter Expenses	2nd Quarter Expenses	3rd Quarter Expenses	Percent Spent
(a) Hiring of at least 88 officers with a focus on diversity recruitment	\$4,000,000	\$349,310	\$383,936	\$967,587	43%
(b) Salary increases	\$5,152,653	\$805,328	\$993,643	\$1,357,735	61%
(c) Dedicated patrol and community outreach staff	\$4,278,763	\$771,505	\$684,623	\$763,534	52%
(d) Establishment of Community Action Network (CAN) Centers in East Patrol and Metro Patrol	\$400,000	\$48,861	\$65,617	\$80,940	49%
(e) Full-time dedicated Crisis Intervention (CIT) officers	\$550,228	\$142,749	\$125,361	\$171,186	80%
(f) 9-1-1 Call Takers and Communications Unit operations	\$6,570,400	\$1,232,948	\$1,153,538	\$1,462,175	59%
(g) Violent Crimes Division victim and witness support services	\$7,000,000	\$3,099,494	\$2,647,237	\$1,253,269	100%
(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	\$104,408	99%
(k) Enhanced publicly available data reporting	\$200,000	\$14,526	\$30,968	\$36,600	41%
(l) Enhanced cell phone analytical software and support	\$300,000	\$205,430	\$18,210	\$16,670	80%
Total	\$33,360,919	\$10,496,748	\$7,079,268	\$6,214,104	71%

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



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