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CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES NEW DATA DASHBOARD
AIMED AT INCREASED TRANSPARENCY
Aggregate officer complaint data and analytics featured in new dashboard
as part of CPD’s effort toward increased transparency

The Chicago Police Department today launched a new Accountability Dashboard providing interactive data on investigations into complaints of officer misconduct. Offering an insight into investigations by the CPD’s Bureau of Internal Affairs (BIA), the website provides detailed data on status and outcome complaints dating back to January 2007, and also offers visitors an opportunity to file a complaint and to check the status of an existing complaint.

Facilitated by the requirements of the consent decree, the new Accountability Dashboard marks the third in a series of three new dashboards aimed at increasing public transparency.

“We take complaints of misconduct and criminal conduct by our members very seriously, and it’s important that our communities have a transparent line of sight into our investigations of suspected misconduct by our members,” said Bureau of Internal Affairs Chief Karen Konow. “To better serve and protect our City, the Chicago Police Department is focused on rebuilding trust with our communities by ensuring that we operate with the highest levels of transparency.”

The Accountability Dashboard, updated weekly, displays a series of interactive data sets of on the quantity, status and type of complaints filed against CPD officers. Dashboard visitors can also view the demographics of complainants as well as of the accused officers, along with the average time required to reach a disposition, investigation findings and number of complaints received against officers since 2007.

One highlight from the Accountability Dashboard reflects the dramatic decrease in the average amount of time required to reach a final disposition, which fell by 79% from December 2017 (177.6 days) to January 2019 (36.7 days).

“I am especially proud of this dashboard, which not only supports our broader data transparency efforts but also allows members of the public to quickly check on the status of a complaint,” said Bureau of Technical Services Deputy Chief Sabih Khan, who oversees the Strategic Data Analytics Division. “This new dashboard will provide insight into cases of reported officer misconduct, and will only result in making our department and the communities we serve stronger and safer for the future.”
The Accountability Dashboard is a central component of the Department’s ongoing efforts toward police reform and transparency, and facilitated by the consent decree, which required CPD to electronically publish aggregate data of allegations, complaints, processing and outcomes of administrative and misconduct investigations, and discipline.

Earlier this year, the Department launched a Gun Offender Dashboard, displaying public information related to adult arrestees with at least one felony firearms-related charge, and later created the Use of Force Dashboard displaying aggregate use of force incident data from information stored in CPD databases.

Members of the public can view and access the Accountability Dashboard at https://home.chicagopolice.org/statistics-data/data-dashboards/accountability-dashboard/

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