

# GRAND JUNCTION POLICE DEPARTMENT



**Quarterly Report**  
*January - March 2025*



# MESSAGE FROM CHIEF MATT SMITH

Greetings community members and friends,

I'm pleased to present our first Quarterly Report for the Grand Junction Police Department. For many years, we have released an annual report highlighting our teams, operations, and key statistics. In our ongoing commitment to transparency and accountability, we are now introducing quarterly reports to provide more frequent updates on the work the men and women of the Grand Junction Police Department are doing to keep our city safe.

Of course, these numbers only tell part of the story. Behind each call, each interaction, and each case is a dedicated sworn or professional staff member making a difference in our community.



One of the standout moments this quarter was our annual 36-hour In-Service Training, which all sworn officers participate in each year. Held from January through February, this rigorous training ensures our officers remain highly skilled and prepared to serve. I am proud that our department consistently exceeds the required POST training hours, demonstrating our unwavering commitment to excellence in public safety and community service.

Another milestone this quarter was the launch of the GJPD Animal Control Unit. This new team has already made a meaningful impact, and I hope you've seen the difference in our community as well. Their work enhances public safety and strengthens our ability to provide responsive, compassionate service to residents and their pets.

Public safety is a partnership, and we deeply value the relationships we continue to build with the people we serve. Your trust and engagement make us stronger, and we welcome your feedback as we work together to keep Grand Junction safe. I encourage you to follow us on social media to stay informed about important updates, crime prevention tips, and the work your GJPD team is doing every day.

Stay safe, and as always, call us if you need us.

Sincerely,

*Chief Matt Smith*



# By the Numbers

## GJPD CALLS FOR SERVICE



*Calls for service are incidents sent to officers by the Grand Junction Regional Communication Center or incidents that officers come upon while working.*

**20,312**



### 953 ARRESTS

|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| Felony      | 241 |
| Misdemeanor | 712 |



### 384 TRAFFIC CRASHES

|            |     |
|------------|-----|
| Non-injury | 286 |
| Injury     | 98  |



### OPEN RECORDS REQUESTS

**1,177**



### PROPERTY & EVIDENCE ITEMS COLLECTED

**5,146**



### TRAFFIC STOPS

**2,787**

TOTAL TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED  
(COUNTY & MUNICIPAL)

**1,077**





# GJPD HIGHLIGHT



The Grand Junction Police Department Animal Control Unit was established in January 2025, following a restructuring of Mesa County Animal Services operations. While Mesa County Animal Services provides shelter services, the Grand Junction Police Department addresses animal control issues within the City of Grand Junction.

The GJPD learned of the restructure in mid-summer of 2024 and worked diligently to prepare an Animal Control Unit from the ground up, ensuring it was fully operational by January 1, 2025.

With a strong focus on excellent customer service and reuniting lost pets with their owners, the new Animal Control Unit has already made a meaningful impact. In just three months, this team of dedicated Animal Control Specialists handled **1,164** animal-related calls for service and successfully reunited **85** animals with their owners.

Since launching the GJPD Animal Control Unit, we've had the opportunity to collaborate with amazing community partners who share our dedication to animal welfare. We're grateful for the support and look forward to continuing these efforts together.



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Non-Emergency Dispatch 970-242-6707