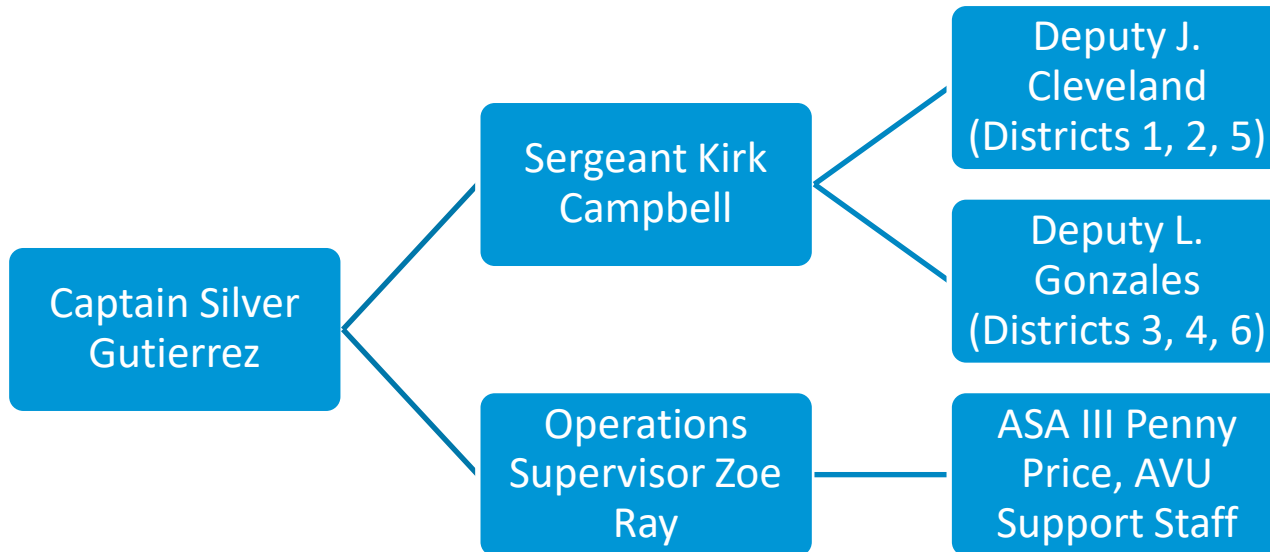


# **Denver Sheriff Department**

## Abandoned Vehicle Unit (AVU) Information and Statistics



# AVU Organizational Chart





## About the AVU

- The Abandoned Vehicle Unit (AVU) is responsible for the enforcement of statutes pertaining to abandoned vehicles as defined in the Denver Revised Municipal Code, Chapter 54, Article XV, Division 2, Section 54-811.
- Deputies address complaints that are received from numerous sources, such as police officers, citizens, neighborhood support systems, City and County of Denver ("CCD" or the "City") council members, police dispatchers, and abandoned vehicle warning (AVW) - seventy-two (72) hour notices.

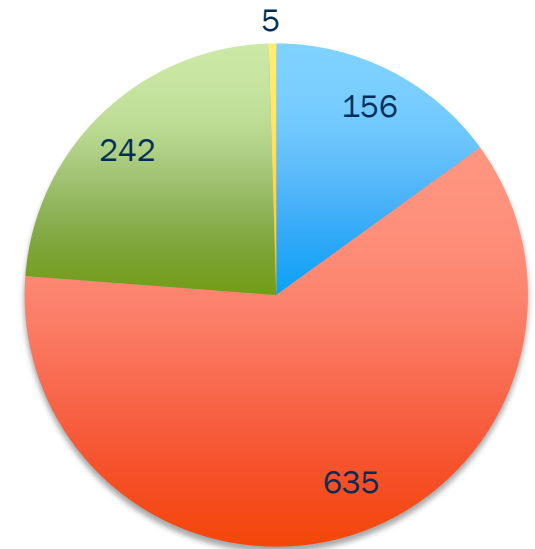


## Enforcement

### 2 Deputies are assigned to DPD Districts 1 through 6

- Parking in excess of 72 hours (\$25)
- Expired Plates/No Plates (\$75)
- Expired Plates/Excess 72 hours (\$75/\$25)
- Other violations (\$50)

# of Citations  
Jan - Dec 2022



- Excess 72 hrs
- Expired/No Plates
- Expired Plates/Excess 72 hrs
- Other



## AVU Statistics - 2022

### Time/Milage

- AVU Deputies -  
Hours on the street
  - 2,053
- Total miles driven  
on AVU vehicles
  - 15,767

### Outcome

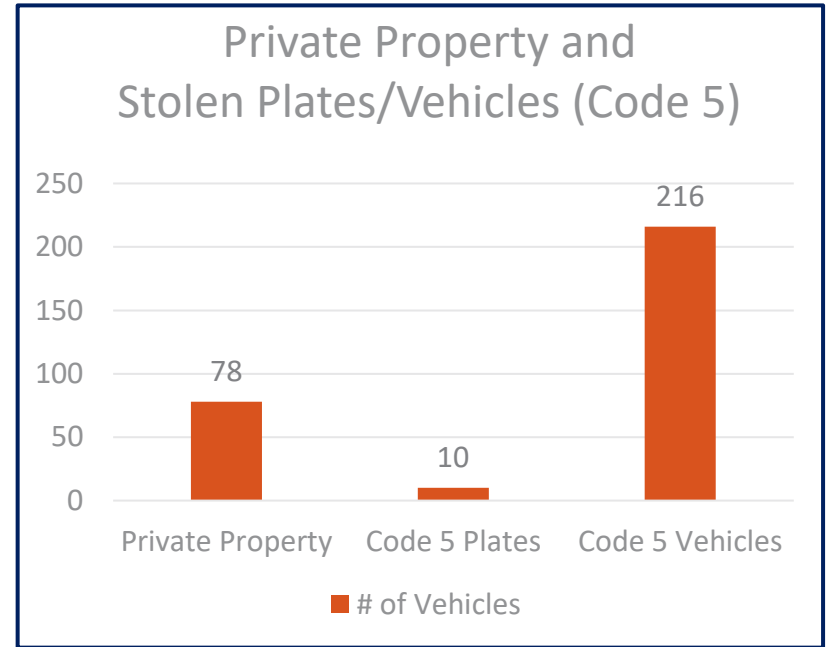
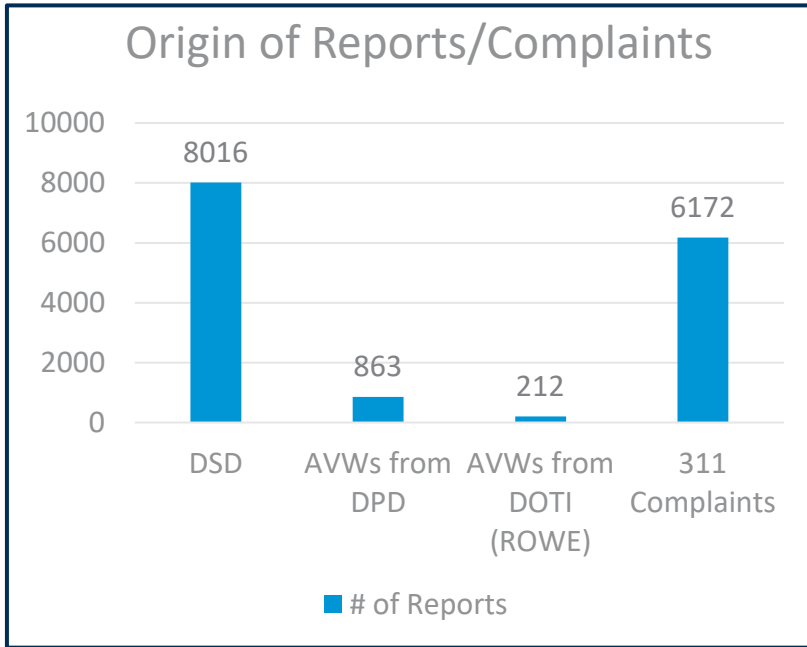
- Vehicles posted  
with warnings
  - 2,184
- Vehicles gone on  
arrival (GOA)
  - 10,412
- Total
  - 12,596

### Impounded Vehicles

- 853, including box  
trailers, motor  
homes, and  
campers



# Abandoned Vehicle Reports/Complaints



Jan - Dec 2022



## New City Parking Restrictions and Enforcement





## 54-465 Parking in excess of 72 hours

- Regular cars and small trucks must move every 72 hours
  - No distance requirement anymore (used to be 100 feet)
- BUT recreational vehicles shorter than 22' must move at least 700' away every 72 hours







## New Reporting Requirements

Any city agency that is authorized to tow or impound a vehicle must provide a report to City Council starting on August 10, 2023, and twice a year after that which includes the following information:

- Any attempt made to contact or assist the owner before towing
- Time and date vehicle was towed
- Specific reason vehicle was towed
- If vehicle was extensively damaged, a listing and photographic evidence of the damage
- If impounded and released, time and date that the vehicle was retrieved



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# Questions?