



# CROMWELL POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## MEMO

**TO:** Anthony Salvatore, Town Manager  
**FROM:** Chief Fred Sifodaskalakis  
**SUBJECT:** Use of Force Analysis  
**DATE:** January 2, 2024

In 2023 the Cromwell Police Department made 380 criminal arrests, 875 motor vehicle contacts, an estimated 66 Police Emergency Examination Requests for emotionally disturbed people in a total of 15,273 calls for service.

In total there were twelve (12) different officers/sergeants that used force in twelve (12) incidents for 2023 compared to sixteen (16) different officers/sergeants that used force in eighteen (18) incidents for 2022.

The use of force reports by officers showed a person in crisis accounted for three (3) of the use of force incidents. Mental health related to a medical accounted for two (2) use of force incidents. Combative subjects' arrests accounted for six (6) use of force incidents. The deployment and pointing of a firearm accounted for one (1) incident and the use of a Taser accounted for one (1) separate incident in which compliance was gained or the incident no longer dictated the use of force. There was one (1) incident involving Cromwell Officers, who are members of the Capital Region Emergency Services Team (C.R.E.S.T.), which OC was deployed during a barricaded suspect call out in another town. All other incidents were physical control techniques deployed by officer.

There were three (3) officers with 5 years or less experience, five (5) officers with 6-11 years of experience, four (4) officers with 15-21 years of experience.

Subjects of use of force by officers accounted as follows: twelve (12) adults, eight (8) were males and four (4) were females. Ten (10) were Caucasian, zero (0) Hispanic and two (2) were African American. There were no policy violations noted during this period and no trends of abuse and/or improper use of force.