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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO THE BOARD
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The CCRB received 464 complaints in November. This is 167 more than in the same period of 2012, when the CCRB received only 297 complaints in the month directly following Hurricane Sandy. It is a 56% increase for this period.

From January to November, the board received 5,022 complaints within its jurisdiction. This is a 7% decrease in complaint activity when compared to the same period of last year. Total intake at the CCRB, including complaints within our jurisdiction and those we refer out, has declined by 25% year-to-date.

The board closed 363 cases in November. In the first eleven months of 2013, the board closed 1,848 fully investigated cases and substantiated 276, which is a substantiation rate of 15% of fully investigated cases. The truncation rate was 55%. This is 3 points higher than in the first eleven months of 2012, when the truncation rate was 52%.

In November, the mediation unit successfully mediated 14 cases involving 20 officers.

The agency's docket at the end of November was 2,819 cases, which is a 5% increase over the open docket in October when it was 2,678 cases. Ninety-two percent of our open investigations stem from complaints filed within the last year, and 65% were filed in the last four months. Of the open cases, 678 are awaiting panel review. That's 24% of the docket. 1,898 are being investigated and 243 cases are in the mediation program.

By date of incident, 13 cases in the CCRB's open docket are 18 months and older, as compared to 23 in November of 2012. This is 0.4% of the open docket. Three cases are on DA hold and 4 cases were filed months after the date of incident. Two cases are pending panel review, in two cases there was an investigator delay, and one case has been re-opened.

In October, the police department closed 4 substantiated cases involving 4 officers. They did not impose discipline against 1 officer, and 3 officers received instructions. From January through October, the disciplinary action rate is 57% and the department declined to prosecute rate is 29%. In cases in which the department pursued charges and specifications, the conviction rate is 81%. This includes officers who pled guilty to charges and officers who were found guilty after disciplinary trials. The guilty after trial rate is 60%.