



ARROYO GRANDE POLICE DEPARTMENT



2023 ANNUAL MILITARY EQUIPMENT REPORT, Prepared Pursuant to Government Code § 7072

In accordance with Government Code section 7072, the Arroyo Grande Police Department hereby submits for City Council review and approval the following annual military equipment report.

1. A summary of how the military equipment was used and the purpose of its use.

All military equipment owned by the Department, which is detailed in Exhibit A to the Department's Military Equipment Use Policy, was used exclusively for the purposes designated by that Policy. In general, those purposes include: 1) use of unmanned aircraft systems when they would assist officers or incident commanders in viewing urgent situations including collisions, missing persons, and crime scenes, among other things; 2) use of 40 mm impact round launchers and rounds to limit the escalation of conflict and preserve lives where the employment of lethal force is prohibited or undesired; 3) use of distraction devices to produce atmospheric over-pressure and brilliant white light and, as a result, cause short-term (6 - 8 seconds) physiological/psychological sensory deprivation to give officers a tactical advantage; 4) use of patrol rifles as precision weapons to address a threat from a greater distance than handguns when feasible; the patrol rifles provide officers with a higher probability of stopping a treat and protecting the public 5) use of chemical agents and smoke canisters to limit the escalation of conflict where lethal force is prohibited or undesirable; and 6) use of PepperBall launchers and projectiles to limit escalation of conflict where lethal force is prohibited or undesirable.

In 2022, the AGPD used items from Categories 1, 2, 4, and 6 for their stated purpose. These categories were use in operational deployments and during training actives to ensure officers are prepared to deploy the equipment in the safest manner for the protection of life. All officers received quarterly training and must complete a standard qualification course. All officers have completed a Patrol Rifle Course certified by the State of California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training. To support further Department operations, the AGPD plans to purchase four new unmanned aircraft systems (the "DJI Mavic Mini") in 2023. AGPD also plans to maintain the patrol rifles program in 2023 and will report on the program as part of its next AB 481 annual update to the Council. Finally, AGPD would like to note that as of 2023, all current inventories of Category 5 (chemical agents and smoke canisters) have expired and will be disposed of – the Department does not plan to continue the use of, or otherwise maintain, inventory levels of this category.

2. A summary of any complaints or concerns received concerning the military equipment.

The Department did not receive any complaints or citizen outreach concerning the Department's Military Equipment Use Policy or ongoing use of said equipment.

3. The results of any internal audits, any information about violations of the military equipment use policy, and any actions taken in response.

There were no violations of the Policy, and accordingly, no audits or actions took place in response.

4. The total annual cost for each type of military equipment, including acquisition, personnel, training, transportation, maintenance, storage, upgrade, and other ongoing costs, and from what source funds will be provided for the military equipment in the calendar year following submission of the annual military equipment report.

Costs associated with military equipment in 2022 totaled \$15,245.71. This breaks down as follows:



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- \$750 for use of the Department's two Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS, or drones) for search and arrest of offenders, traffic collision investigations, special event security, fire department support, and firework response.
- No cost in 2022 for use of the Department's nine 40 mm launchers and munitions; these items were used during personnel training, but were not deployed during field patrol operations in 2022. Current stock of duty munitions in this category is 50.
- \$9,873.21 to maintain the Patrol Rifle program in 2022, and \$4,292.50 to purchase patrol rifle ammunition in 2022, for use of the Department's 27 patrol rifles during field patrol operations and personnel training. Current approximate stock of duty rifle rounds is 4,000, and training rounds is 500.
- No cost in 2022 for use of the Department's six distraction devices; these were not needed for field patrol operations or personnel training.
- No cost in 2022 for use of the Department's 12 chemical agent and smoke canisters; these have now expired, and use will be discontinued by the Department in 2023.
- \$330 for projectiles for use with the Department's four PepperBall launchers. Current approximate stock of duty rounds is 300.

The Department anticipates spending approximately the same amount to use and maintain its current inventory in 2023, and also anticipates spending approximately \$2,000 to purchase four new UAS (the DJI Mavic Mini), to equip new pilots to be added to the Department's UAS team. The cost of maintaining the current inventory and purchasing the four new UAS will be sought during the review of the City's Fiscal Year budget for 2023.

5. The quantity possessed for each type of military equipment.

The quantity for each type of military equipment used in 2022 is listed in Attachment 1 (Inventory List) to the Military Equipment Use Policy, available on the City's website and in person at the Department.

6. If the law enforcement agency intends to acquire additional military equipment in the next year, the quantity sought for each type of military equipment.

The Department intends to spend approximately \$2,000 in 2023 to acquire four new UAS (the DJI Mavic Mini). These are miniature UAS that can record video, with approximately 25 minutes of flight time. The purpose of acquiring these new UAS is to equip new pilots that the Department plans to add to its UAS team, to facilitate more readily available UAS operations by patrol officers. The smaller profile of the DJI Mavic Minis is beneficial in indoor or confined space deployments. By providing an aerial view perspective, drones have proven to be a valuable tool for reducing risk of harm to officers and suspects, and in providing public protection.

In addition, when munitions for any stock identified as military equipment have reached significantly low levels or have been exhausted, the Department may order replacement stock based upon current approved city operational budget in a calendar year without City Council approval to maintain essential availability for the Department's needs. Any such purchases will be included in the following year's AB 481 report.