



ANNUAL REPORT 2025

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A Message From Sheriff Dave Kain



This year is especially meaningful to me. It marks the third year of my first term serving as your Tehama County Sheriff-Coroner, and it also represents my 30th year in law enforcement. I have spent my entire career serving this community, and it is truly the honor of a lifetime to serve the county that I call home.

Over these decades, I have seen our profession change in many ways. Law enforcement challenges evolve, technology advances, and expectations grow. But what has never changed is the heart behind the badge. Every day, the men and women of the Tehama County Sheriff's Office show up with dedication, compassion, and a deep commitment to protecting their neighbors. They serve not for recognition, but because they care about this community.

When I took office, one of our greatest challenges was a historic staffing shortage that impacted nearly every part of our operations. Together, through creativity, persistence, and a shared commitment to moving forward, we have reduced that deficit by more than half and restored all essential services. While there is still work to do, these efforts have created stability and positioned us for a stronger future.

Our jail operations are also moving in a positive direction. Our current facility is nearing its functional capacity, and preparations are underway to staff and open the new jail. This progress is critical to public safety. It allows us to keep violent and repeat offenders off our streets while also providing programs designed to help younger and vulnerable inmates break the cycle and return to our community with a better path forward.

We have also made important progress in Animal Regulation, filling two of three previously vacant positions and working to complete our team. This will allow us to better respond to calls, improve enforcement, and serve both our residents and the animals that are part of so many families in this county.

Technology continues to help us serve more effectively. From expanding our drone and aviation programs to improving communication through social media and our updated website, we are finding new ways to stay connected, respond quickly, and remain transparent. We have also modernized our hiring process, allowing us to bring dedicated individuals into this profession faster than ever before without reducing our standards.

The Sheriff's Office is also proud to be leading the updating and expansion of radio communications throughout Tehama County. Through the responsible use of county-allocated funding, discretionary funding, unspent salary savings, and grant funding, we are working to build a more reliable and seamless communications network. This investment is critical to the safety of our personnel and our partner agencies, and it will ensure we can communicate effectively during emergencies such as wildfires, floods, and other disasters. Reliable communications allow us to coordinate evacuation efforts quickly and efficiently, helping protect lives when every second matters.

I am also encouraged by the most recent FBI crime statistics for Tehama County comparing 2024 to 2025, which show a significant decrease in nearly every major crime category. While crime trends are influenced by many factors, I believe this progress strongly correlates with our continued efforts to restore adequate staffing and return to proactive policing rather than simply reacting to calls for service. By increasing our presence in the community, focusing on prevention, and addressing issues before they escalate, our personnel are helping create safer neighborhoods throughout the county.

This report represents more than numbers and statistics. It reflects the hard work, sacrifice, and commitment of the people who serve here, and the trust placed in us by the community. I want to sincerely thank the employees of the Sheriff's Office for their professionalism and heart, and I want to thank the citizens of Tehama County for your continued trust and support. The recent community survey made it clear what I have always believed – this is one of the best communities in California to be a law enforcement professional, and it is a privilege to serve you.

We do not take that trust lightly. We will continue to serve you with integrity, professionalism, and unwavering dedication.

This community has given me my career, my purpose, and my calling. Serving you has been the honor of my lifetime, and I remain committed to ensuring that the Tehama County Sheriff's Office continues to serve with heart, strength, and integrity for generations to come.

Respectfully,

Sheriff Dave Kain
Tehama County Sheriff-Coroner



CUSTODY DIVISION

The Custody Division continues to be a cornerstone of public safety in Tehama County. In 2025, we made significant strides toward improving operations, staffing, and infrastructure to meet the growing demands of our community. The jail staff booked and processed over 2,506 individuals this year.

Staffing Progress:

Our most pressing challenge has been addressing the historic staffing deficit. This year, we successfully hired and trained additional correctional deputies, continually attempting to reduce vacancies and preparing to meet the staffing requirements for the jail expansion. While staffing remains a priority, these gains have allowed us to restore critical services and attempt improvements in confinement supervision.

Inmate Programs:

We continued to expand rehabilitative programs, including vocational training in automotive repair at the Auto Shop and agricultural work through the Work Farm initiative. These programs aim to reduce recidivism by equipping individuals participating in alternative incarceration programs with practical skills for successful reintegration into society.

Technology Enhancements:

The division implemented new digital tools for population management, including electronic tracking systems and improved communication platforms. These upgrades enhance operational efficiency and support transparency in our processes.

Looking Ahead:

Our focus for 2026 will be completing the jail expansion, continuing to recruit and retain qualified staff, and expanding educational and vocational programs. These efforts reflect our commitment to maintaining a secure, humane, and progressive correctional environment for Tehama County.

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Food Services:

The jail kitchen staff provides meals each day, all of which must meet strict nutritional requirements. As the current jail returns to population capacity, the food and resources needed continue to grow and the addition of a modernized kitchen area in the jail expansion will provide much needed updates. As of the end of November, the jail kitchen staff have served about 126,204 meals in 2025.

Jail Expansion Project:

Construction on the jail expansion is well underway and looks like it will be completed in early 2026. This project will add much-needed bed space and modernize security systems, enabling us to house violent and repeat offenders locally rather than transferring them to other jurisdictions. The expansion will also include updated medical facilities and improved housing units designed for safety and efficiency.



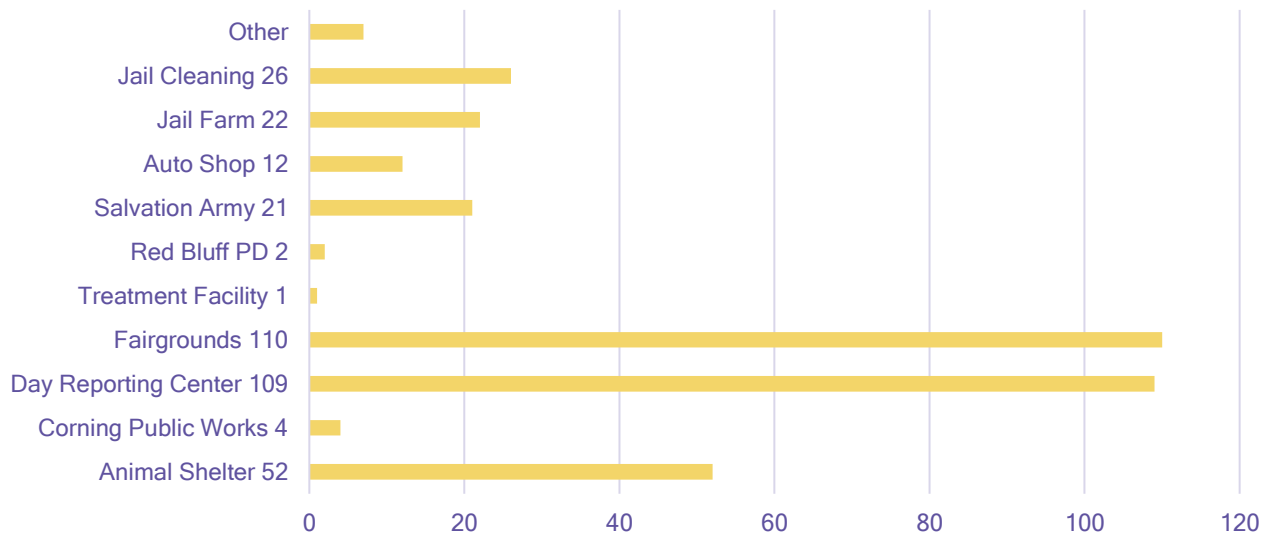
Alternate Custody Programs (Work Farm and Auto Shop):

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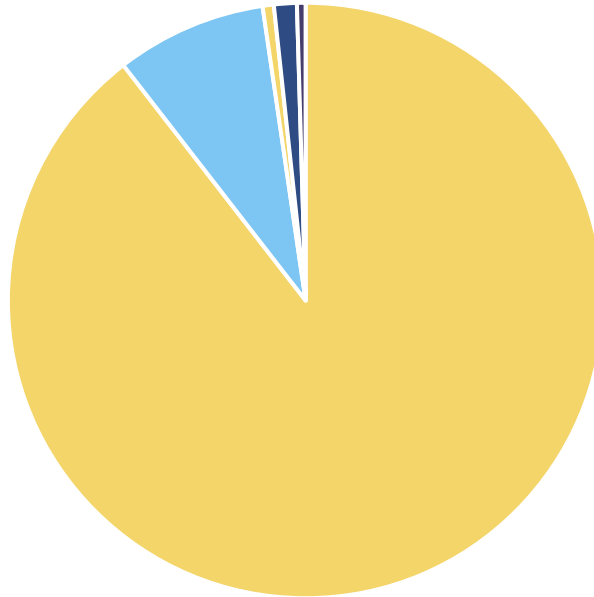
reintegration into society. There were 369 individuals placed on alternative custody programs in 2025. Many individuals were assigned to community service through the Tehama County Animal Shelter, Tehama County Probation's Day Reporting Center and the Tehama County Fairgrounds, providing hours of work to the community.

Individuals Assigned To Alternative Custody 2025



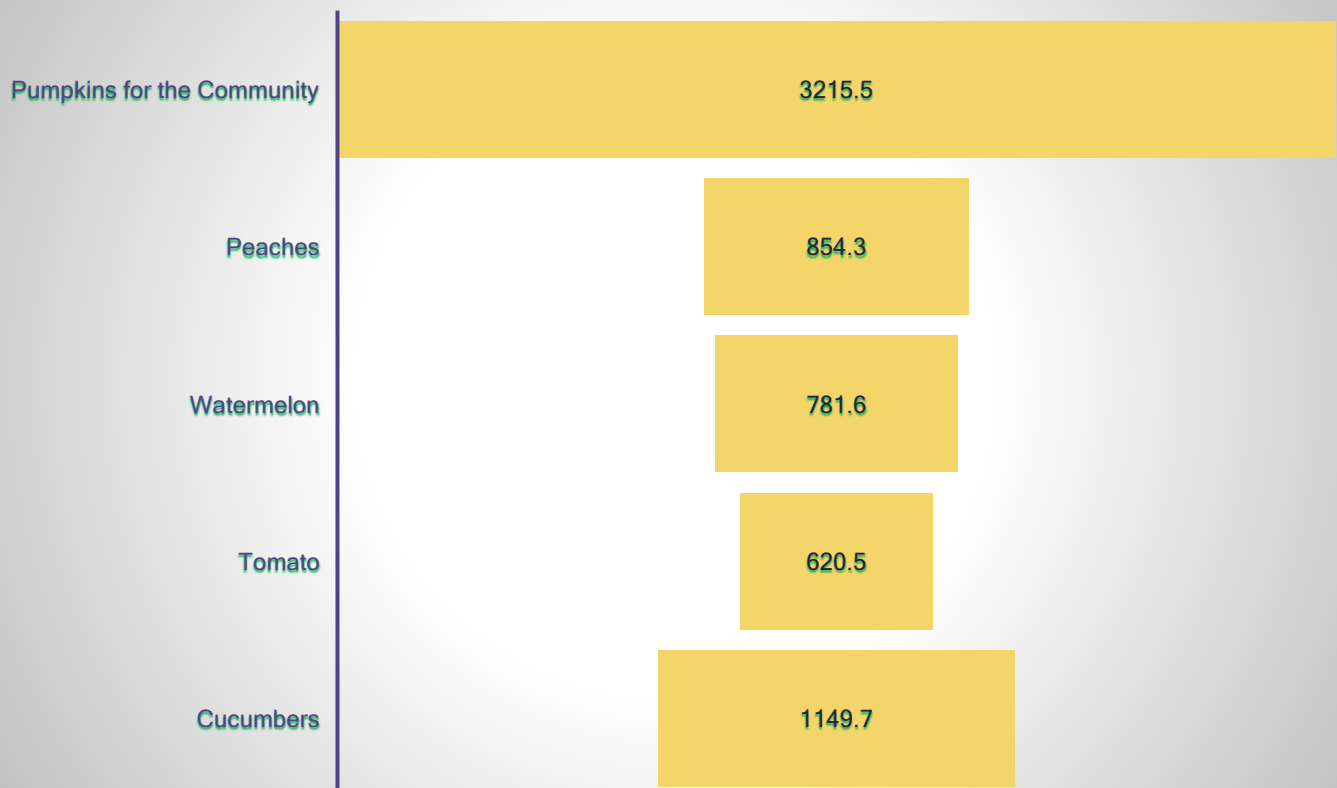
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Jail Transportation 2025



■ Nurse Visits: 9,598 ■ Doctor Visits: 877 ■ Dental Visits: 65 ■ Inmates To Prison: 133 ■ Off Site Medical Visits 50

Work Farm Production in Pounds



OPERATIONS DIVISION

The Operations Division remains the backbone of the Tehama County Sheriff's Office, providing essential law enforcement services across the county. In 2025, we focused on strengthening patrol coverage, enhancing investigative capabilities, and improving community engagement.

Patrol Services:

This year, we successfully increased patrol staffing levels, allowing for more consistent coverage in rural areas. Proactive patrols helped reduce property crimes in several high-impact zones.

Investigations and Major Crimes Task Force:

Our detectives and investigators assigned to the county wide Major Crimes Taskforce handled a wide range of cases, including major narcotics investigations, violent crimes, and property theft rings. Tehama County Sheriff's Detectives handled over 230 cases, while the Major Crimes Taskforce dealt with 101 major criminal cases in 2025.

Dispatch and Communications Center:

The Sheriff's Dispatch Center remains the hub of the Tehama County Sheriff's Office Operations Division. Our Dispatchers handled 15,330 total incidents, dispatching deputies 12,978 times. The Tehama County Sheriff's Dispatch Center maintained 7,130 active warrants and completed 2,546 restraining order entries in 2025. During 2025, the Dispatch Center handled 14,272 9-1-1 calls and 49,203 regular business line calls, for a total of 63,475.

Community Engagement:

The Operations Division expanded outreach programs, including neighborhood watch partnerships and school safety initiatives. Deputies participated in over 40 community events, reinforcing trust and transparency between law enforcement and residents. The Tehama County Sheriff's Office was invited to many school events and career day events.

Technology Integration:

We deployed upgraded body-worn camera systems to improve evidence collection and officer accountability. These enhancements support our commitment with transparency and operational efficiency.

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Animal Regulations:



This year, we successfully increased the Animal Regulation staffing levels, allowing for more consistent coverage in rural areas of the County. Proactive Animal Regulation Officers helped reduce the number of loose animals, investigated animal cruelty and dealt with some very unusual animals.

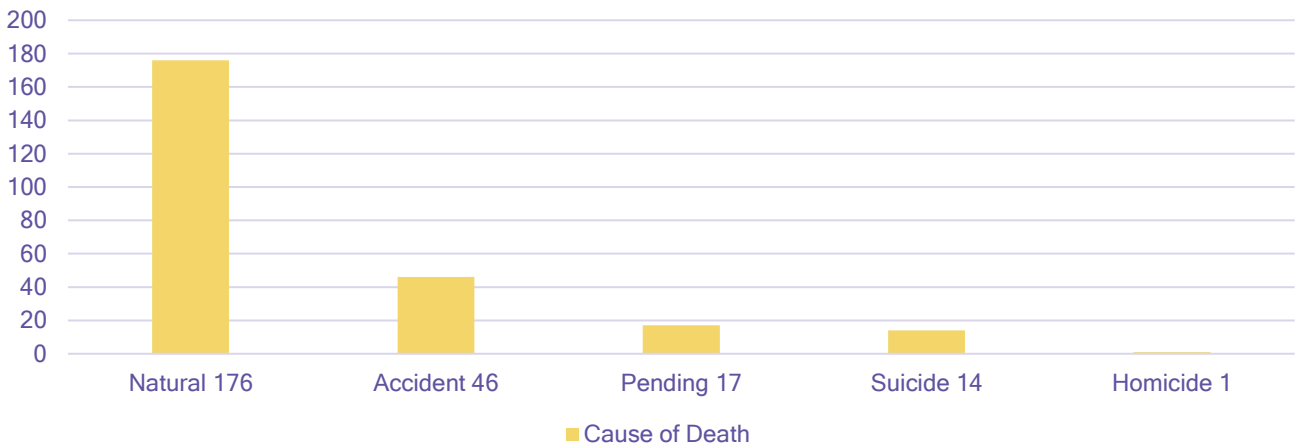


Coroners:

Our dedicated team of Deputy Coroners bring diverse expertise in anthropology, forensic medicine, and ABMDI certified investigations. Collaborating with allied agencies across Tehama County, they work diligently to determine the cause and manner of death with accuracy, integrity, and compassion.

“Every body has a story to tell - it’s our job to listen and speak for those who no longer can.”

254 Cases Investigated in 2025, Cause of Death Chart



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Boating Safety Unit:



Boating Safety Unit

Deputies assigned to the Boating Unit patrol 82 miles of the Sacramento River in addition to Black Butte Lake.

In 2025 boating deputies investigated 3 boating accidents and 5 drownings. Patrolling over 1,500 hours on county waterways,

deputies issued over 100 warnings, 7 citations, and inspected over 100 vessels. The Boating Unit assisted vessels in distress, people in distress, and conducted boating safety presentations throughout the county. The Unit continues to present “Aqua Smart” water safety education to grades K-8 during summer and after school programs. This program alone has been presented to over 500 children annually.

The Boating Safety Unit patrolled and protected boaters, rafters and swimmers at numerous special events, including the 4th of July fireworks event at City Park in Red Bluff, the Black Butte Sailing Regatta, California River Quest Race and several organized rafting and canoe trips.

Drone Team:

The Tehama County Sheriff’s Office filled out the drone team, with five licensed drone pilots under part 107 licensing requirements. In 2025 they flew 19 missions and logged over 1,850 flight minutes. Drone missions include missing person searches, search warrant service safety oversight, patrol assists and evidence gathering picture/video for crime scenes.



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K-9 Teams:



The Sheriff's Office has three full-time K-9 teams assigned to the Operations Division. The dog and handler are a force multiplier for patrol, by assisting in violent offender apprehension, drug and article searches and rapid perimeter setup and searches. The K-9 teams also provide hours of community service with school visits and local events.



ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

The Tehama County Sheriff's Office Administration Division is dedicated to delivering professional, ethical, and community-focused law enforcement services throughout Tehama County. The Administration Division oversees personnel and recruitment, fiscal management, policy development, training, records, community outreach, and intergovernmental coordination. TCSO remains committed to serving residents and visitors with integrity, respect, and accountability.

Records Unit:

The Records Unit serves as a critical administrative hub within the Tehama County Sheriff's Office, providing essential services that support both departmental operations and public access to information. This unit is responsible for the processing, administration, and oversight of a wide range of permits, including bingo and dance permits, explosives storage and transportation, and special event permits. The division also manages the preparation, review, and issuance of Concealed Carry Weapon (CCW) permits for qualified county residents. The Records Unit is tasked with the registration and maintenance of records for individuals convicted of specific sex, arson, and controlled substance offenses, ensuring compliance with state and federal reporting requirements.

Civil Unit:

The Sheriff's Civil Unit is responsible for processing and serving many different court orders and documents. The Civil Unit handles simple and complex real property levies, court subpoena service, evictions, restraining order service, criminal protective order service, wage garnishments and more. The Civil Unit processed over 902 service requests, completing 1,719 attempts and successful services in 2025.

Fiscal Management Unit:

The Fiscal Unit is responsible for preparing and administering the Sheriff's Office annual operating budget, totaling more than \$25 million. The unit ensures sound fiscal stewardship through comprehensive oversight of expenditures, revenues, and internal financial controls. Throughout the year, the Fiscal Unit processes payments to more than 300 vendors for essential services and supplies and manages the submission of invoices to a wide range of agencies and entities.

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The Fiscal Unit administers department-wide payroll, grant management, and all related billing functions, ensuring accuracy, compliance, and timely processing. This year, the unit processed more than 100 renewal agreements and approximately 50 one-time agreements. It also managed 15 active grants requiring quarterly reporting, generating more than \$1.5 million in revenue for the Sheriff's Office.

Volunteer Groups and Community Outreach:

The Tehama County Sheriff's Office is home to some of the most dedicated and giving volunteer groups around. S.T.A.R.S. (Sheriff's Team of Active Retired Seniors), CERT (Community Emergency Response Team), Chaplain Corps, Reserve Deputy Sheriffs, and Tehama County Search and Rescue are comprised of skilled, valuable and important community members who go through specialized training to aid the community. Hundreds of volunteer hours are logged each year from these groups during disasters and during normal business hours.



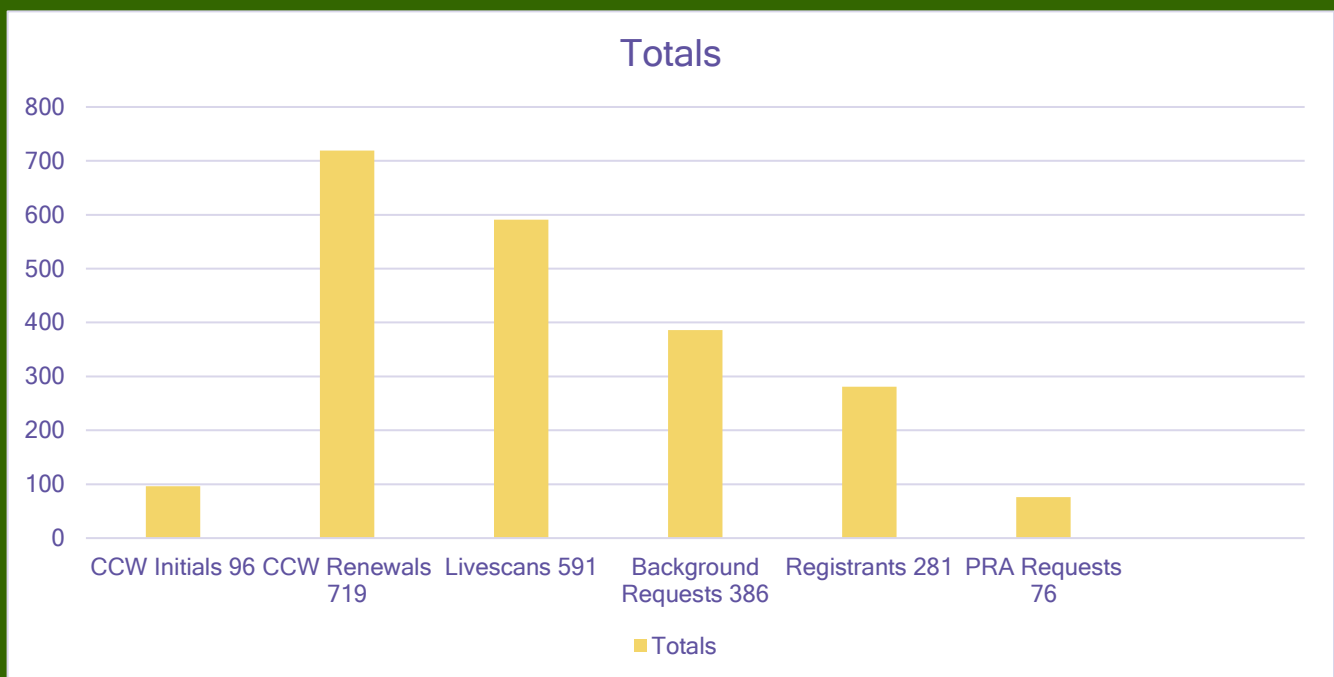
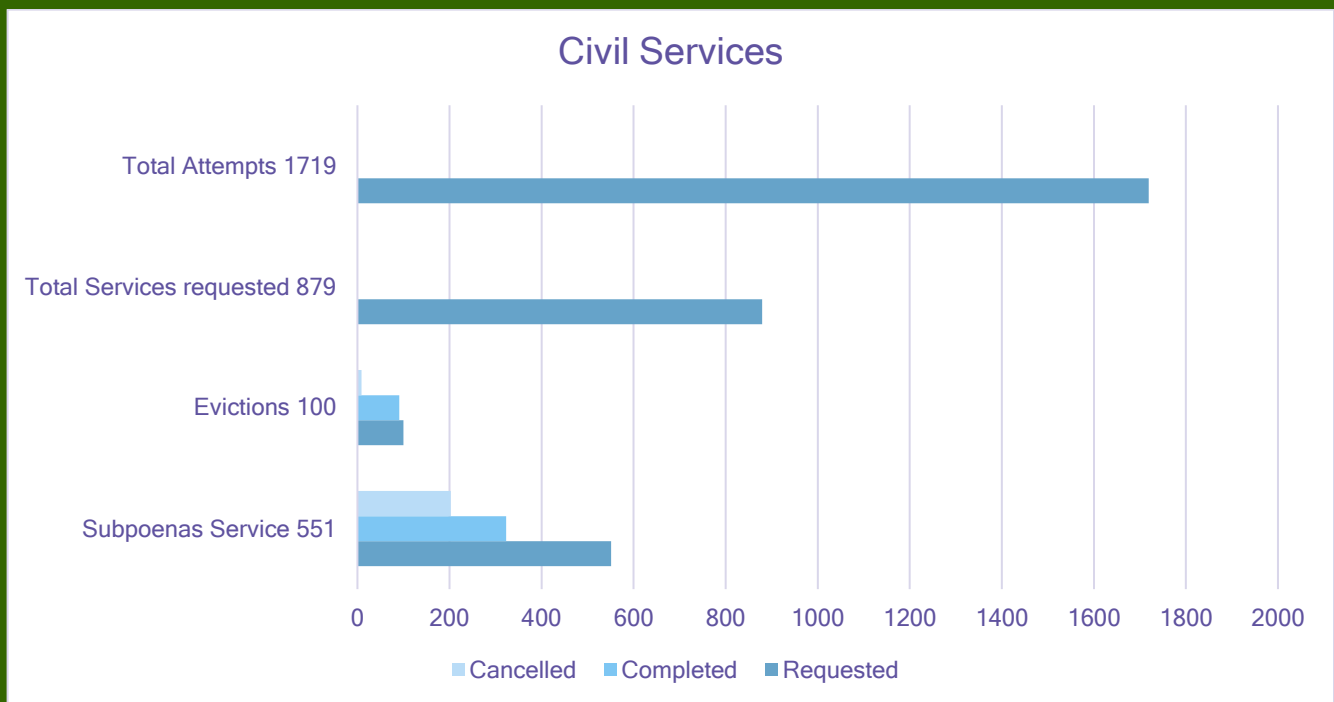
Office of Emergency Services:

The Tehama County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services (OES) coordinates preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation efforts for a wide range of emergencies affecting Tehama County.

OES personnel respond to natural disasters and emergency incidents including floods, wildfires, hazardous materials releases, and other significant public safety events. The office also supports regional and statewide emergency operations through California's Mutual Aid System and, when requested, may assist jurisdictions beyond the state during large-scale or extraordinary incidents.

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During emergencies, OES is responsible for mass public warning and evacuation notifications. Emergency alerts are issued through the **Tehama Alert** system using the Everbridge platform, while evacuation warnings and orders are disseminated through **Genasys Protect**, ensuring timely and accurate communication to residents and visitors.



SHERIFF'S OFFICE FACILITY UPDATES AND UPGRADES

Morgue:

In 2024 the Sheriff's Office began an upgrade and update project in the morgue. The goal was to increase the storage capacity and update the facility and autopsy room. The project continues with the storage capacity upgrade completed this year. A walk-in cooling unit was installed,



adding much needed storage space. Additional ventilation and air processing equipment is pending the bid process, ordering and installation.

Landscape Project at the Antelope Office:



Landscaping and new outdoor tables, shade structure and flagpole surround were finished this year on the east side of the Antelope Office.

Work Farm Equipment:

The Sheriff's Office Work Farm gained a new tractor and implements this year, providing modernized equipment to provide training and experience to those in the alternative work program to gain valuable, employable skills.



Promotions:

Margaret Arano from Dispatcher to Major Crimes Analyst 06/25/2025

Jose Campanero from Corrections Deputy to Deputy Sheriff - Court Bailiff 06/29/2025

Veronica Manzo from Dietary Cook to Dietary Cook Supervisor 06/25/2025

Kaden Evans from Animal Regulations Officer to Corrections Deputy 06/25/2025

Hiring:

The Sheriff's Office hired eighteen individuals, including two returning employees, who had left for other agencies. Reserve Deputy Guido Concello joined the Tehama County Sheriff's Office on February 9th, 2025.

On September 27th, 2025 the Sheriff's Office conducted a large-scale hiring event with 35 applicants in attendance. The hiring event included an introduction from Sheriff Kain, oral boards for multiple positions, background investigation meetings, tours of the facilities and lunch. Several of the attendees completed the process and over the course of the following months were hired, including patrol deputies, correction deputies, and a dispatch supervisor.

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of the

TEHAMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

ONE-DAY HIRING EVENT

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DEPUTY



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FBI statistics for Tehama County by Year

	Violent Crimes	Homicide	Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault
2025	73(dec)	1(dec)	6(dec)	2(dec)	64(dec)
2024	123	3	31	18	71
2023	112	1	17	12	82
	Property Crime	Burglary	Larceny-Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson
2025	175	70	95	9	1
2024	293	137	135	21	0
2023	361	116	211	28	6





“I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California; that I take this obligation freely and without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.”

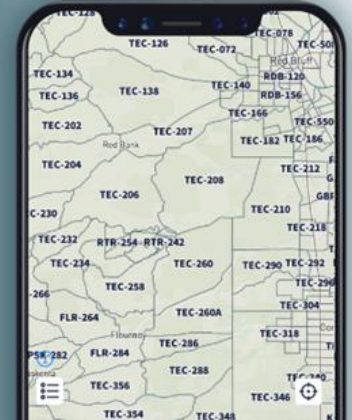


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