



For Immediate Release

June 12, 2020

Contact: Anne Bettesworth

Deputy Director of Public Affairs

Anne.Bettesworth@seattle.gov

OPA creates dashboard so public can track progress of investigations into SPD conduct at recent protests

Seattle, WA — The Office of Police Accountability (OPA) created a [website dashboard](#) showing progress into demonstration-related complaint investigations. OPA has been contacted over 17,000 times about SPD conduct at demonstrations over the past two weeks. At this point, the emails, phone calls, and other feedback boil down to 17 primary complaints, listed below. OPA is fully investigating each of these complaints.

The website has graphics representing the progress achieved thus far in each of the 17 investigations. Above each graphic is the OPA case number and specific case allegation. Below each graphic are the “next steps” in the investigation, which give the public some insight into what an investigation entails.

The dashboard shows that as of today, all 17 cases are between 30% and 50% complete. OPA is committed to finishing the investigations as quickly as possible while still abiding by legal and contractual timelines. The dashboard will be updated as investigations progress.

1. 2020OPA-0322 Child pepper sprayed (May 30)
2. 2020OPA-0323 Excessive force – punching (May 29)
3. 2020OPA-0324 Officer knee on necks (May 30)
4. 2020OPA-0325 Officer identification issues (multiple days)
5. 2020OPA-0326 Body-worn video not activated (multiple days)
6. 2020OPA-0327 Pepper spray use against protestors (multiple days)
7. 2020OPA-0328 Flashbang thumb injury (May 30)
8. 2020OPA-0329 Unsecured rifles in SPD vehicle (May 30)
9. 2020OPA-0330 Excessive force - punching (May 30)
10. 2020OPA-0331 Officers damaging storefront (May 30)
11. 2020OPA-0332 Excessive force - neck restraint (June 1)
12. 2020OPA-0333 Flashbang injury - reporter (June 1)
13. 2020OPA-0334 Overly aggressive crowd dispersal tactics (multiple days)
14. 2020OPA-0335 Flashbang injury - man sleeping (June 1)
15. 2020OPA-0337 Police radio threat against protestors (June 3)
16. 2020OPA-0344 Flashbang injury - woman (June 7)
17. 2020OPA-0345 Tear gas use post 30-day ban (June 7)

###