



HIGHLAND PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT
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Highland Park Police Department Use of Force Incidents

January 1st – March 31st 2021

Between January 1st and March 31st, 2021, Highland Park Police Officers answered a total of 5,199 calls for service. Over the course of that time officers used force on one individual.

The one individual:

- Individual was Caucasian male
- Individual resides in the Borough of Highland Park

In regards to the types of force used:

- On the 1 occasion officers used Physical Force* by using their arms to detain the subject
- Neither the suspect, nor any officers involved, sustained any injury during this incident
- The individual resisted arrest/officer control

Origins of initial police contact:

- This incident did not originate from one of the 866 traffic stops our officers conducted
- Incident occurred while officers were attempting to make an arrest and/or conduct an investigation
- This incident was citizen initiated and the officers were dispatched to the location

The use of force is never a routine matter and the Highland Park Police Department takes each of these incidents very seriously. Each use of force incident is reviewed by Police Administration.

* Per NJ AG Guidelines Definition - Physical force involves contact with a subject beyond that which is generally utilized to effect an arrest or other law enforcement objective. Physical force is employed when necessary to overcome a subject's physical resistance to the exertion of the law enforcement officer's authority, or to protect persons or property. Examples include wrestling a resisting subject to the ground, using wrist or arm locks, or other similar methods.