# Strategic Communications Office Media Relations Unit





## **CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**

Police Department



## MRU Role & Responsibilities

The Strategic Communications Office is responsible for strategizing all external and internal messaging and communications on behalf of the SFPD. The Director of Strategic Communications provides oversight to the Media Relations Unit (MRU).

Members assigned to the MRU are responsible for the following duties:

- Act as the point of contact for the various media outlets (print, television, radio, and social media).
- Provide information to the public by responding to media inquiries, compiling information for public records requests, and by creating multimedia content to convey messages and provide public safety updates from the Department.
- Oversee the overall social media presence/accounts, that include posting updates and maintaining content for the SFPD website.







## 0390 Chief of Police Sworn 0395 Assistant Chief Administration Sworn 0953 Director **Strategic Communications Professional Staff Media Relations Office Support** 1424 Clerk Q52 Sergeant **Professional Staff** Sworn **Public Relations Media Relations** 1842 Management 3 - Q2 Officers Sworn Assistant Professional Staff \*Currently Only 2 Staffed **Public Relations/ Social Media** 1310 Public Relations Assistant **Professional Staff** Videographer/ Photographer 1766 Videographer **Professional Staff**

# MRU Positions & Budget Allocations

| Unit Position                     | Class | Cost      | # of Pos | FY 22<br>Budget |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------|-----------------|
| Director                          | 0953  | \$289,423 | 1        | \$289,423       |
| Sergeant                          | Q52   | \$210,378 | 1        | \$210,378       |
| Public<br>Information<br>Officers | Q4    | \$183,841 | 3        | \$551,523       |
| Management<br>Assistant           | 1842  | \$145,039 | 1        | \$145,039       |
| Clerk                             | 1424  | \$125,000 | 1        | \$125,000       |
| Public Relations<br>Assistant     | 1310  | \$113,615 | 1        | \$113,615       |
| Videographer                      | 1766  | \$120,941 | 1        | \$120,941       |



## **Applicable Policies**

The following are Department policies and procedures that outline specifics duties performed by the Media Relations Unit

| Department General Order (DGO)                     |  |  |
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| DGO 1.08, Community Policing                       |  |  |
| DGO 2.09, Personal Use of Social Media             |  |  |
| DGO 3.16, Release of Police Reports                |  |  |
| DGO 8.02, Hostage and Barricaded Suspect Incidents |  |  |
| DGO 8.09, Media Relations                          |  |  |
| DGO 9.02, Vehicle Accidents                        |  |  |

## **Department Bulletin (DB)**

DB 18-040, Release of Information to the News Media and/or Public Regarding Homicide Detail Investigations

### **Department Manual**

Department Manual 22, SFPD Media Resources Manual

## **Department Notice (DN)**

DN 20-106, Guidelines for Handling Stranger and Parental Abductions of Children

DN 20-112, Department Medial Relations and Social Media – Booking Photos & Arrestee information

DN 20-123, Procedures for Responding to Requests for Incident Reports at District Stations

DN 20-139, Signing Release Forms for SF Animal Care and Control Documentation

DN 20-140, Management of Department Social Media Accounts

### **Unit Order**

Unit Order 16-03, Media Relations Response to Officer Involved Shooting

Unit Order 21-01, Aligning Strategic Communication with Community Engagement Division Efforts



Thank you.

Any questions?