



BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Mission Statement

On behalf of the Citizens of Baltimore City, the Public Safety Committee will be responsible for matters concerning public safety, including, but not limited to, emergency preparedness, police services, fire/EMS, & their administrative functions.

The Honorable Mark Conway

CHAIR

PUBLIC HEARING

9/9/2025

1:00PM

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LO25-0005

Crime Reduction & Violence Prevention

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Legislative Oversight Hearing

LO25-0005

Crime Reduction & Violence Prevention

For the purpose of the committee holding regular hearings with the Police Department, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement, and other agencies to monitor the progress of the City's crime reduction and violence prevention efforts.

BACKGROUND

In 2024, the City enacted [ordinance 24-325](#), establishing an Office of Returning Citizens (“the Office”) within the Mayor’s Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement (“MONSE”) to serve as an advocate for returning citizens; coordinate service delivery to returning citizens, promote the general welfare for returning citizens; and, advise on city policy matters related to returning citizens. Within the Office, the ordinance also established a Re-Entry Action Council to advise the office on matters related to the Office’s responsibilities. The ordinance also requires that the Office provide an annual report to the Mayor and City Council Detailing its activities and policy and legislative proposals to promote the welfare of returning citizens.

Before the enactment of ordinance 24-325, the Scott administration implemented the “[Returning Citizens Behind the Wall](#)” program to connect returning citizens with job opportunities and training; however, despite the program’s initial ambitious goals of working with nearly 3,000 people, the program’s initial cohort included only 22 individuals and intended to assist about 500 over fiscal years (FYs) 2024 and 2025. In FY 2025, the program set a target of assisting 33 individuals.

Outside of MONSE, the Mayor’s Office of Employment Development also administers [workforce services](#) to assist returning citizens with their transition from incarceration to employment.

FISCAL NOTE

The total MONSE [budget projections](#) for FY 2025 and FY 2026 are significantly higher than the actual FY 2024 spend due to increased funding from federal, state, and special grant sources, and spending on expanded services. The service including the Returning Citizens Behind the Wall program has also seen an increase in its budget over the same period with the increasing spending primarily being allocated to contractual services.

The Mayor's Office of Employment Development Workforce Development service has seen a similar increase in its budget; however, its increasing spending has primarily been allocated towards salaries, rather than contractual services. In addition, each year the service has been consistently expanded to include more returning citizens.

REPORTING AGENCIES

- Baltimore Policy Department
- Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement

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Agency Reports



BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Vice Chairman Zac Blanchard**

September 23rd, 2025



CLEARANCE RATES

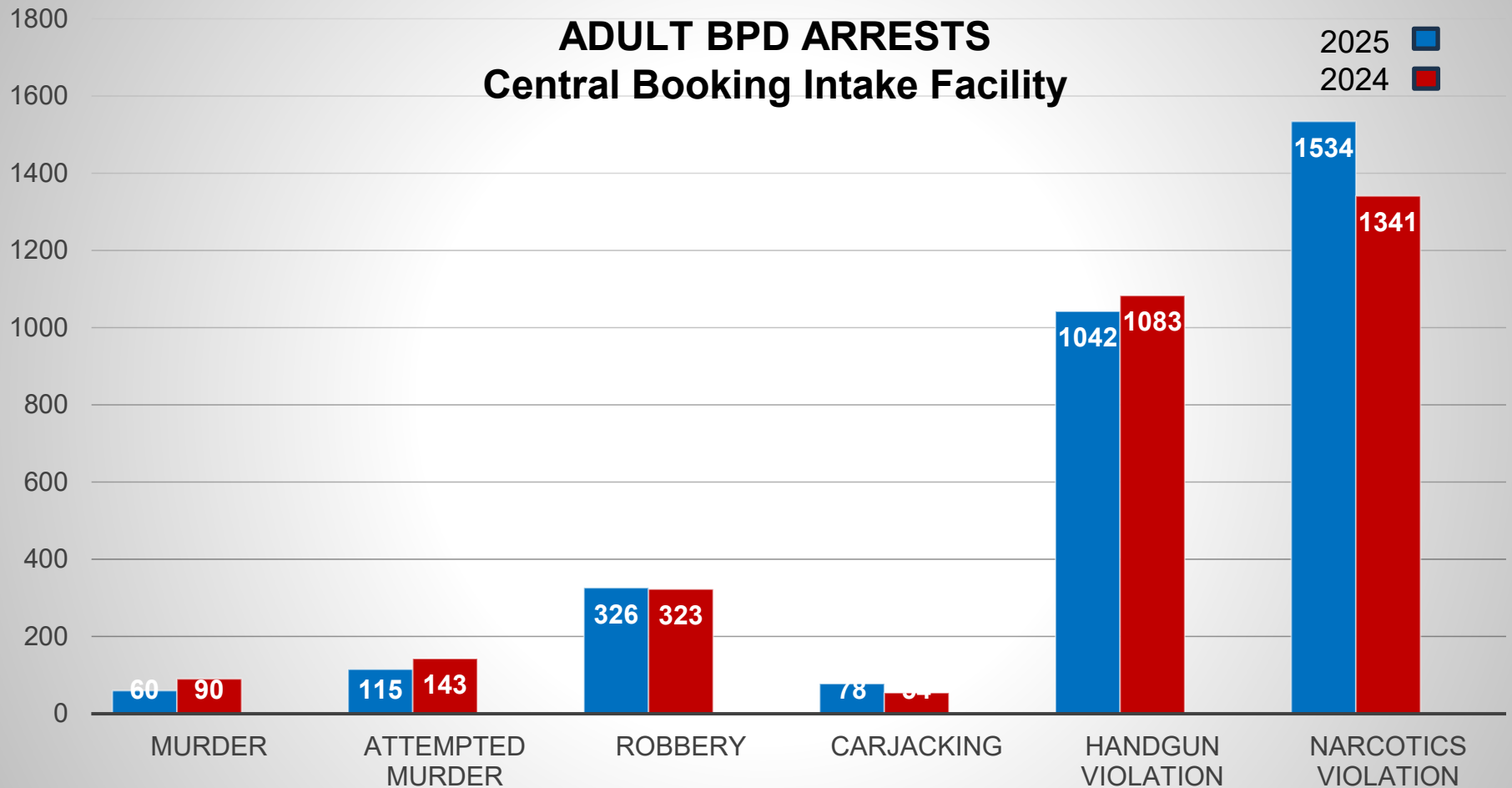
CRIME	2025	2024	2023	NATIONAL AVERAGE	AVERAGE FOR SIMILAR SIZE CITIES
HOMICIDE	60.4%	58%	30%	57.8%	54.7%
SHOOTING	43.7%	35%	27%	--	--
RAPE	49.1%	24%	23%	26.9%	28%
ROBBERY	42%	36%	23%	27.6%	--
BURGLARY	27.3%	25%	12%	14.4%	--
AGG ASSAULT	65.1%	61%	44%	46.1%	--
ARSON	35.9%	35%	20%	26.9%	19.1%



CLEARANCES FOR ALL YEARS
THROUGH SEPTEMBER 16

SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS

ADULT BPD ARRESTS Central Booking Intake Facility



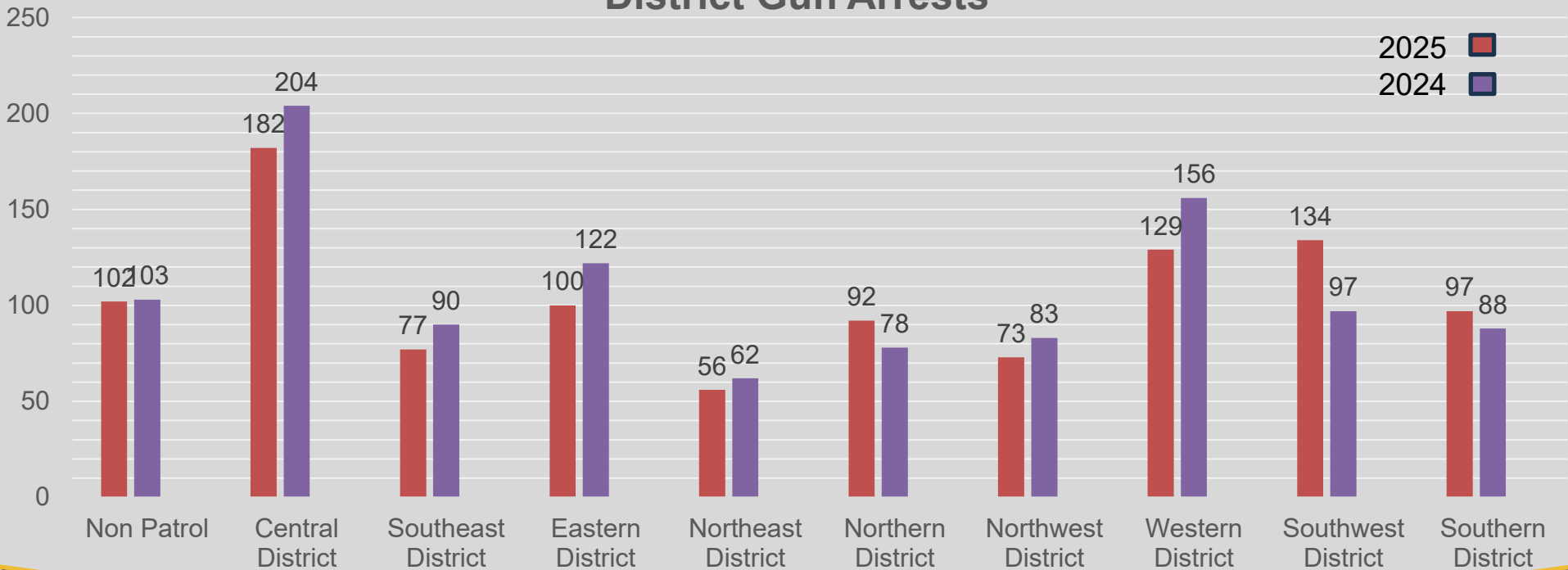
ARRESTS FOR ALL YEARS
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**No deduplication of arrests. Some arrests may count in more than one category.*

GUN-RELATED ARRESTS

Year	Patrol	Non-Patrol	Total
2025	940 - 4%	102 - 1%	1042 - 4%
2024	980	103	1083

District Gun Arrests

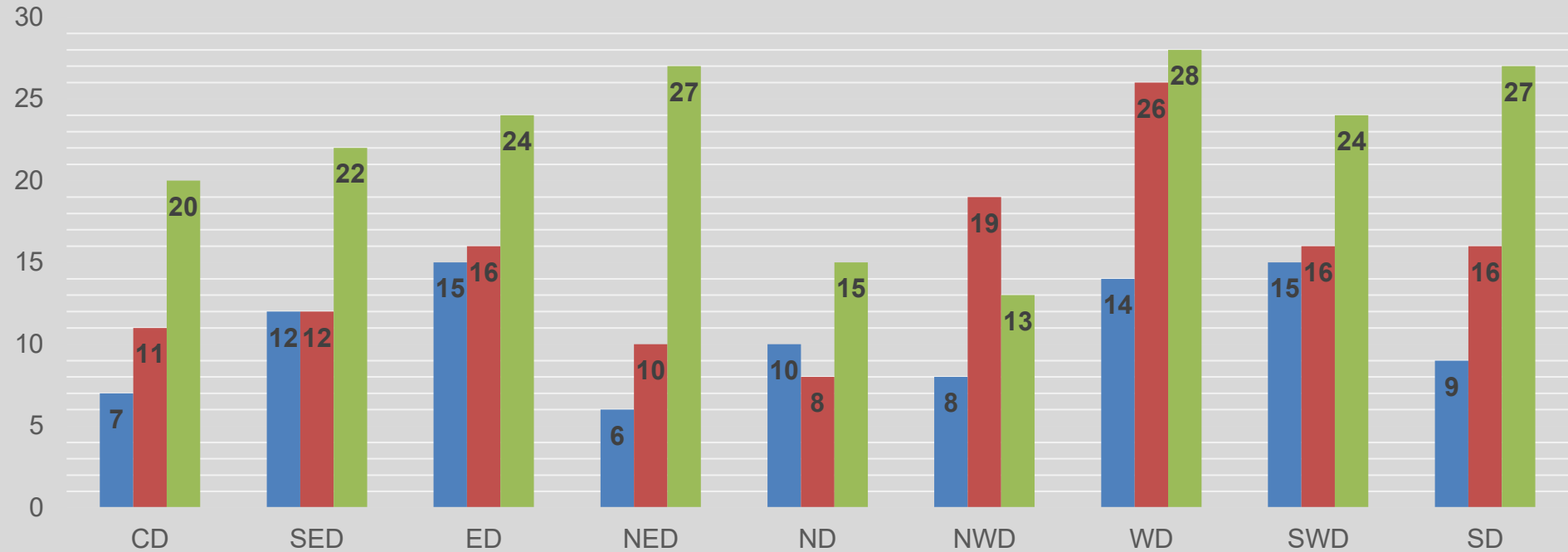


GUN ARRESTS FOR ALL YEARS
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CITY-WIDE CRIME OVERVIEW

Homicides by District

■ 2025 ■ 2024 ■ 2023



YEAR	CD	SED	ED	NED	ND	NWD	WD	SWD	SD	Total
2025	7	12	15	6	10	8	14	15	9	96
2024	11	12	16	10	8	19	26	16	16	134
2023	20	22	24	27	15	13	28	24	27	200

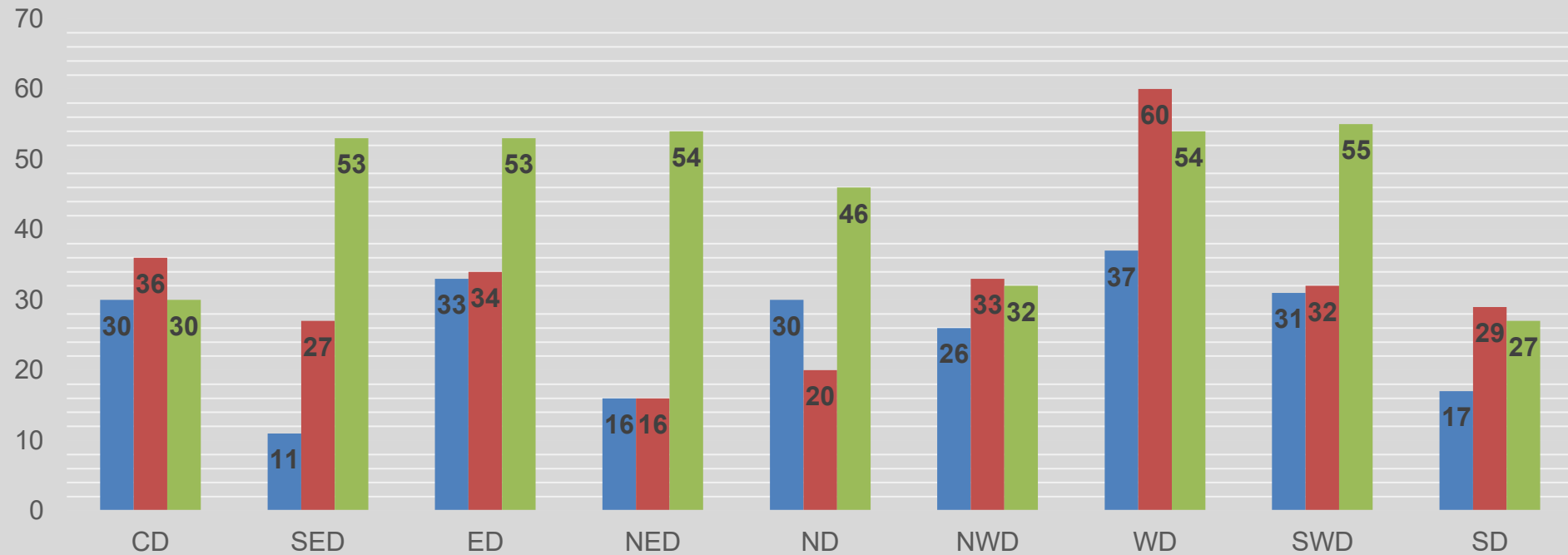


VICTIM COUNTS FOR ALL YEARS
THROUGH SEPTEMBER 16

CITY-WIDE CRIME OVERVIEW

Non-fatal Shootings by District

■ 2025 ■ 2024 ■ 2023



YEAR	CD	SED	ED	NED	ND	NWD	WD	SWD	SD	Total
2025	30	11	33	16	30	26	37	31	17	231
2024	36	27	34	16	20	33	60	32	29	287
2023	52	53	53	54	46	32	54	55	76	476

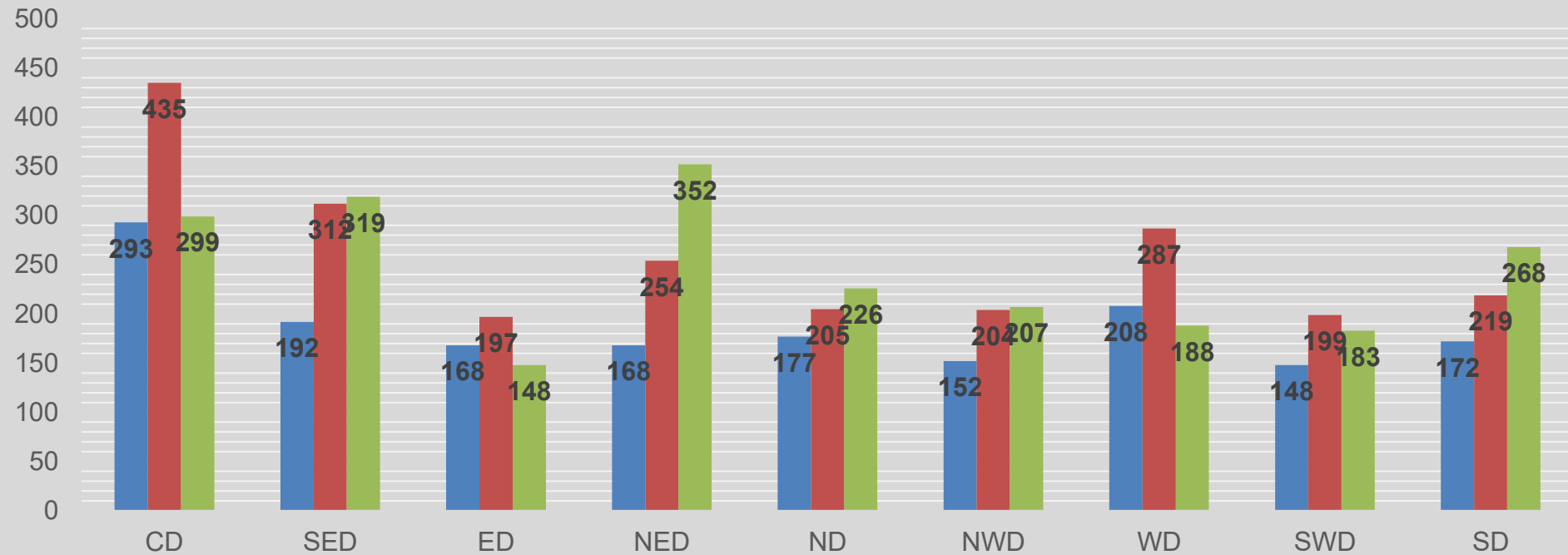


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CITY-WIDE CRIME OVERVIEW

Robberies by District

■ 2025 ■ 2024 ■ 2023



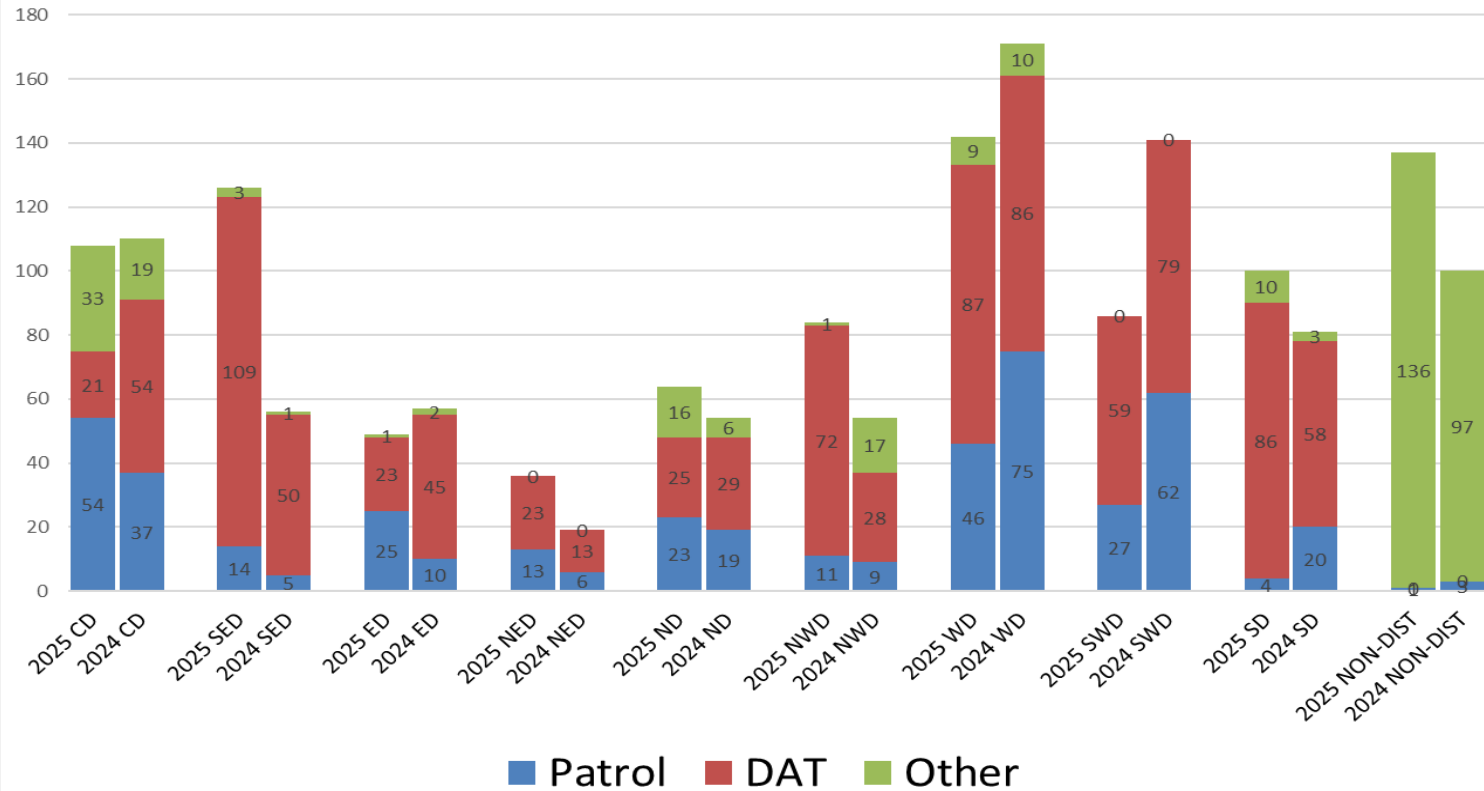
YEAR	CD	SED	ED	NED	ND	NWD	WD	SWD	SD	Total
2025	293	192	168	168	177	152	208	148	172	1678
2024	435	312	197	254	205	204	287	199	219	2312
2023	299	319	148	352	226	207	188	183	268	2196



INCIDENT COUNTS FOR ALL YEARS
THROUGH SEPTEMBER 16

FELONY CDS ARRESTS

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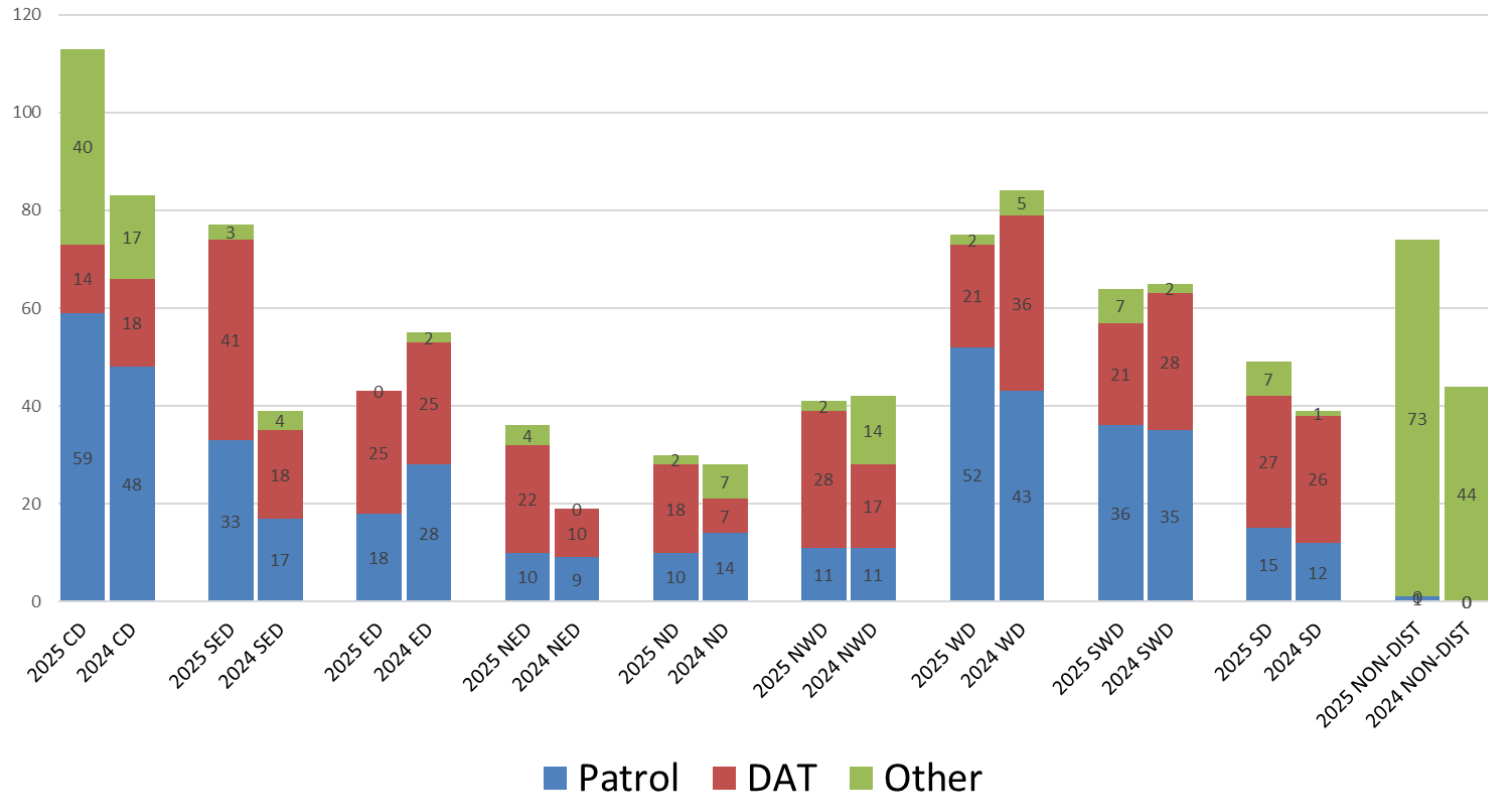
YEAR	CD	SED	ED	NED	ND	NWD	WD	SWD	SD	NON	Total
2025	108	126	49	36	64	84	142	86	100	137	932
2024	110	56	57	19	54	54	171	141	81	100	843

ARRESTS FOR ALL YEARS
THROUGH SEPTEMBER 16



MISDEMEANOR CDS ARRESTS

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YEAR	CD	SED	ED	NED	ND	NWD	WD	SWD	SD	NON	Total
2025	113	77	43	36	30	41	75	64	49	74	602
2024	83	39	55	19	28	42	84	65	39	44	498



ARRESTS FOR ALL YEARS
THROUGH SEPTEMBER 16

DOMESTIC AND YOUTH VIOLENCE VICTIMS

Domestic Violence - Three Year Comparison

CRIME TYPE	2025	2024	2023
HOMICIDE	0	1	2
SHOOTING	1	8	4
RAPE	14	33	37
ROBBERY - CARJACKING	2	2	2
ROBBERY	202	240	210
AGG. ASSAULT	1062	1120	1273
BURGLARY	145	99	114
AUTO THEFT	34	29	39
LARCENY	226	292	332
LARCENY FROM AUTO	13	13	17
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS OR ACCESSORIES	11	11	13
ARSON	1	5	7
COMMON ASSAULT	2061	2325	2499

Youth Violence - Three Year Comparison

CRIME TYPE	2025	2024	2023
HOMICIDE	2	12	12
SHOOTING	27	23	74
RAPE	61	86	62
ROBBERY - CARJACKING	3	18	7
ROBBERY	192	278	199
AGG. ASSAULT	274	344	418
BURGLARY	17	11	13
AUTO THEFT	2	5	8
LARCENY	65	91	108
LARCENY FROM AUTO	2	3	10
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS OR ACCESSORIES	1	1	2
ARSON	1	1	2
COMMON ASSAULT	679	738	791

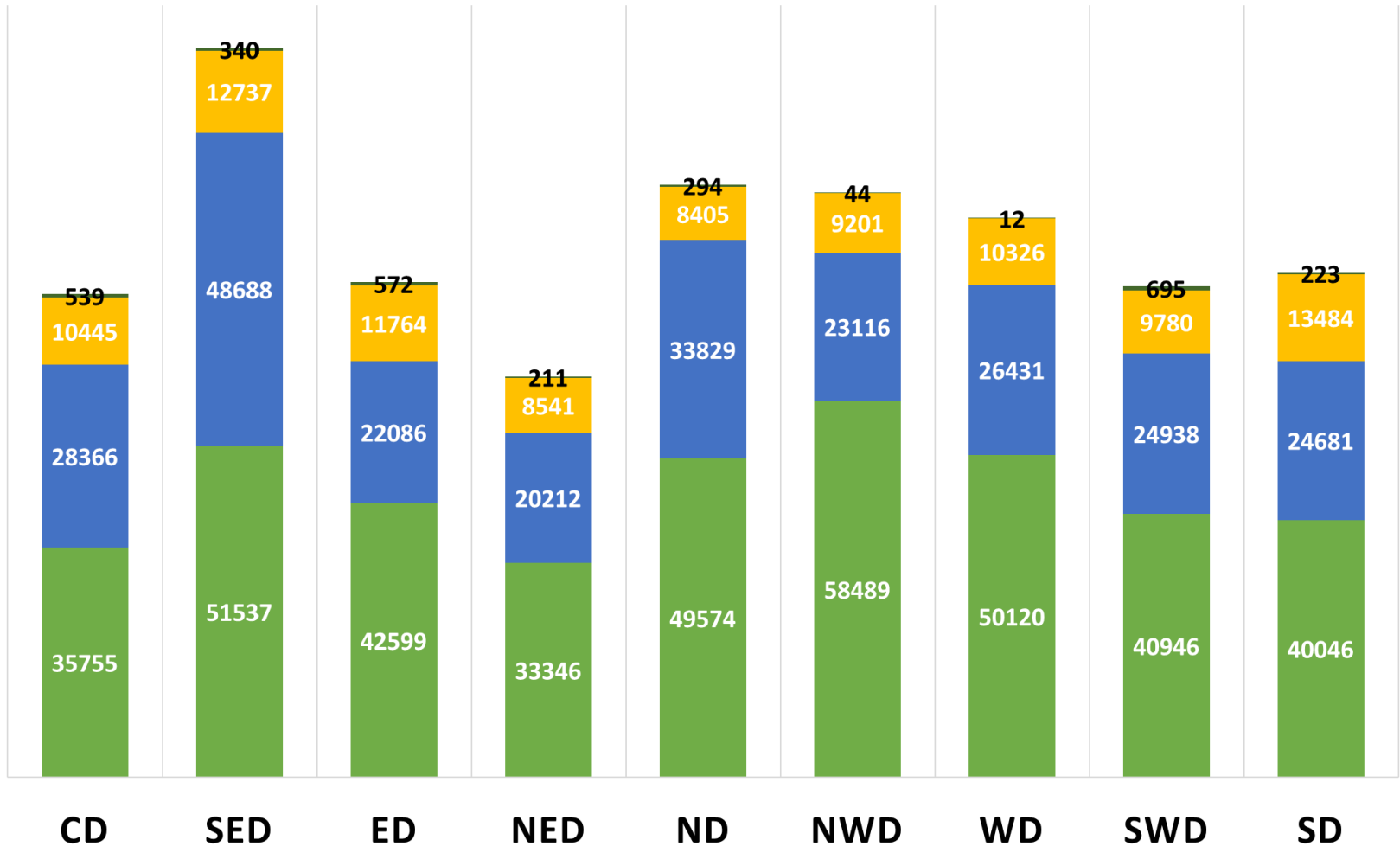


VICTIM COUNTS FOR ALL YEARS
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CAD PROACTIVITY

PROACTIVITY

■ BUSINESS CHECK ■ FOOT PATROL ■ TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT ■ BICYCLE PATROL



ACTIVITY FOR CURRENT YEAR
THROUGH SEPTEMBER 16



^Minimum four (4) minute call duration

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

- The Accident Investigation Unit (AIU) has seen a significant drop in traffic accident fatalities through September of this year

Year	Total Crashes	Total Victims	DIF
2023	31	32	
2024	37	40	+19.4%
2025	21	22	- 43.24%



RECRUITMENT

■ Recruitment Efforts

- Recruitment campaign across multiple media platforms
 - Leading to significant increase in recruitment website traffic
 - Over 3,000 more interactions on the website since Feb. 2025
- Relocation to Baltimore City Incentive
 - \$1,000 a month for one year

■ Police Recruits

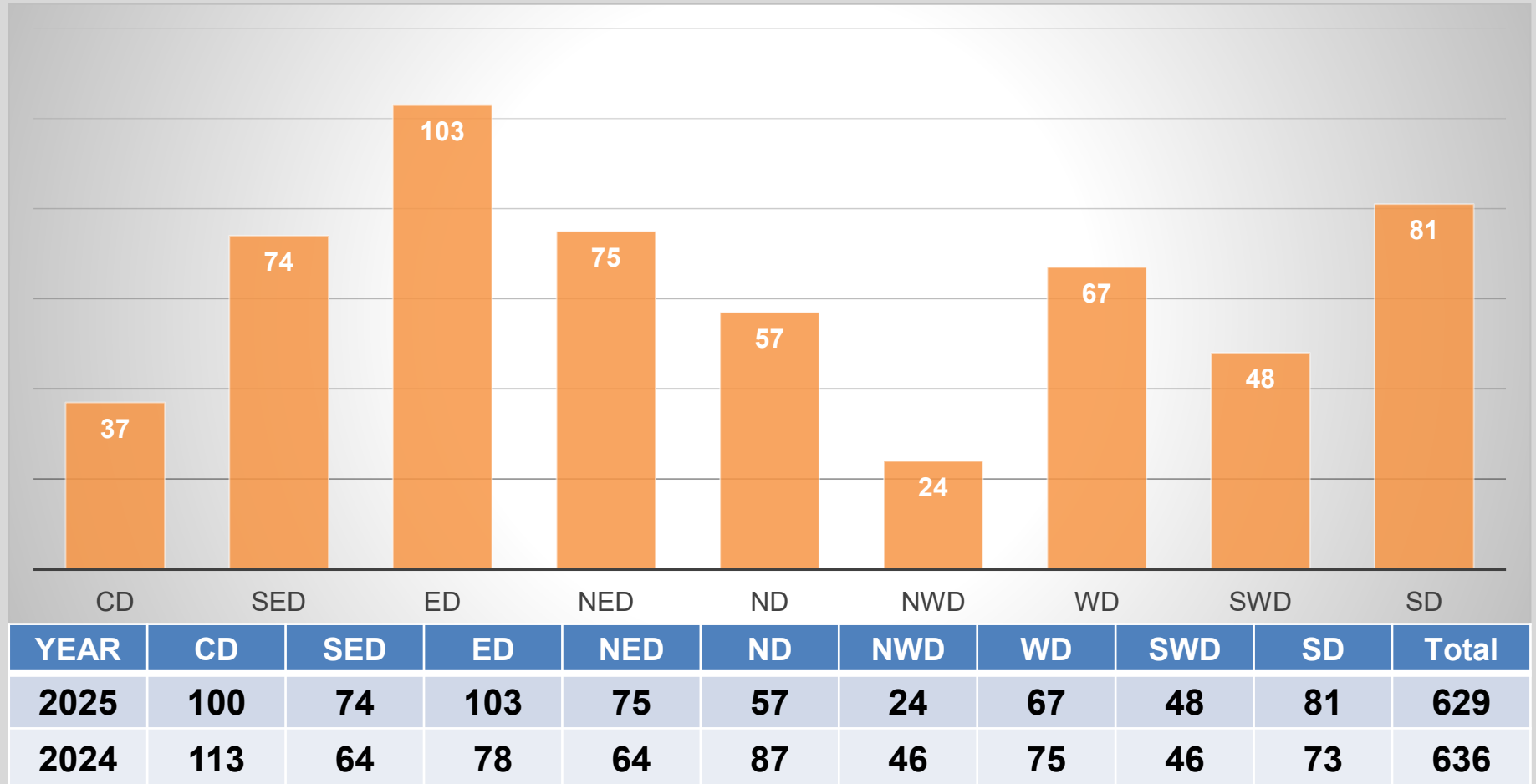
- 153 new recruits in 2025 compared to 93 in 2024
- 5 classes in 2025
- 5 more classes planned for 2026

■ Cadets

- 17 hired in 2025 compared to 6 in 2024
- 5 have transitioned to Police Trainees compared to 1 in 2024



JUVENILE ARRESTS

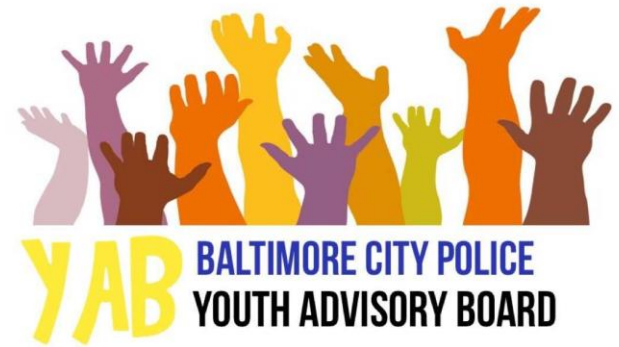


*YTD 9/15/25
 *2025 includes Paper Referrals

^Arrest counts aggregated by district geography
 ED includes school police

Youth Advisory Board

- Consent Decree
- Framework
- Youth Participation/ Youthworks
- Next Steps/ ACCE Academy Partnership



JUNIOR CADETS

- **90 Jr. Cadets**
 - Maximum capacity
- **Representing 20+ Baltimore High schools**
 - Meetings with District NCOs
- **Discussion Curriculum**
 - Public Safety
 - Nutrition
 - Employment Education
- **Goal**
 - Obtain funding and expand capacity.



Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation

■ Badges for Baseball

— Mentorship program for youth 9-14

— Program Expansion

- May 27th NCO training held at Living Classrooms
- '25 Summer Camp Held from August 5-7
- 1 Major, 3 Sergeants, 6 Officers, 2 Professional
- Towanda Recreation Center July 14 – August 18 ND/NWD

— Goal

- Funding goal achieved for the Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation
- Meeting with Orioles public affairs on September 25th



BALTIMORE CITY
RECREATION & PARKS

**BADGES FOR
BASEBALL**

Join us every Monday from
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM at
Towanda Rec Center for
an exciting afternoon of
baseball, mentorship, and
community connection!

 Led by Baltimore police officers

 Learn baseball skills & teamwork

 Build positive relationships

 Fun drills, games, and prizes

 Mondays | 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

 All summer long

Ages: 9 to 14, coed

Free and open to youth of all skill levels!





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