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**POLICE
ACCOUNTABILITY
BOARD**

MONTHLY REPORT

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

During July 2026, the Police Accountability Board continued advancing its mission to promote police accountability, transparency, and public trust through significant accomplishments in organizational leadership, case management, policy development, and community engagement.

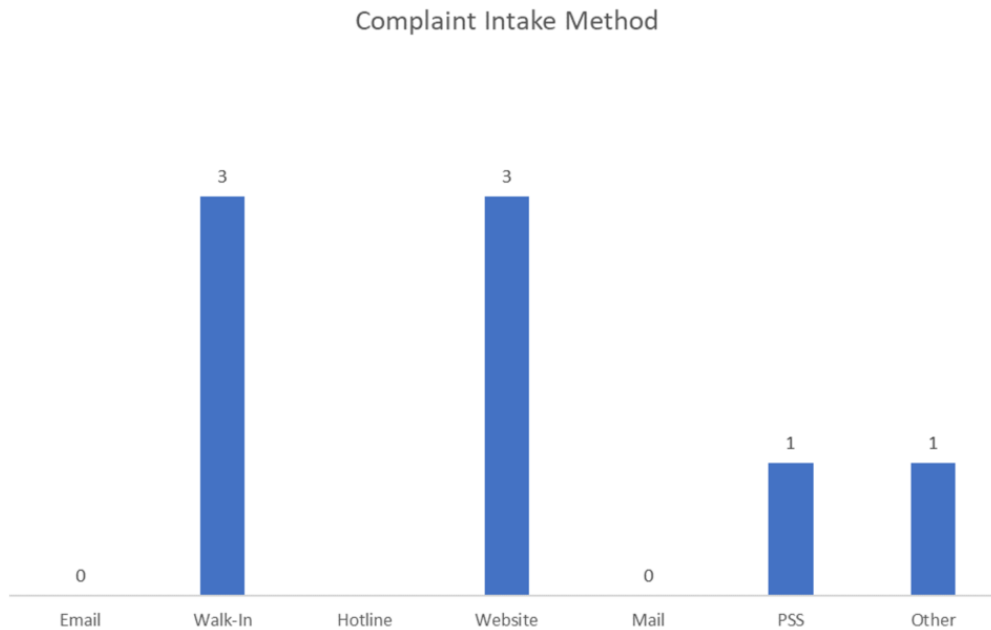
A major milestone this month was the National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement's (NACOLE) unanimous approval of the New York State Civilian Oversight Consortium as its first statewide affiliate pilot. This historic achievement positions the Rochester Police Accountability Board as a statewide leader in civilian oversight and establishes a collaborative framework for oversight agencies across New York. The PAB also continued its statewide survey to identify emerging trends, shared challenges, and opportunities for collaboration.

The agency received eight new complaints involving the Rochester Police Department, continued strengthening its analytical capacity through the completion of the Policy & Oversight Division's "What's the Story?" initiative, and expanded community engagement through 18 outreach activities that connected with 1,328 residents and stakeholders. These efforts demonstrate the Board's continued commitment to responsive service, evidence-informed oversight, public education, and meaningful community partnerships.

Collectively, July's accomplishments reflect the Board's continued progress toward strengthening civilian oversight locally while expanding its leadership and influence across New York State.

CASE MANAGEMENT

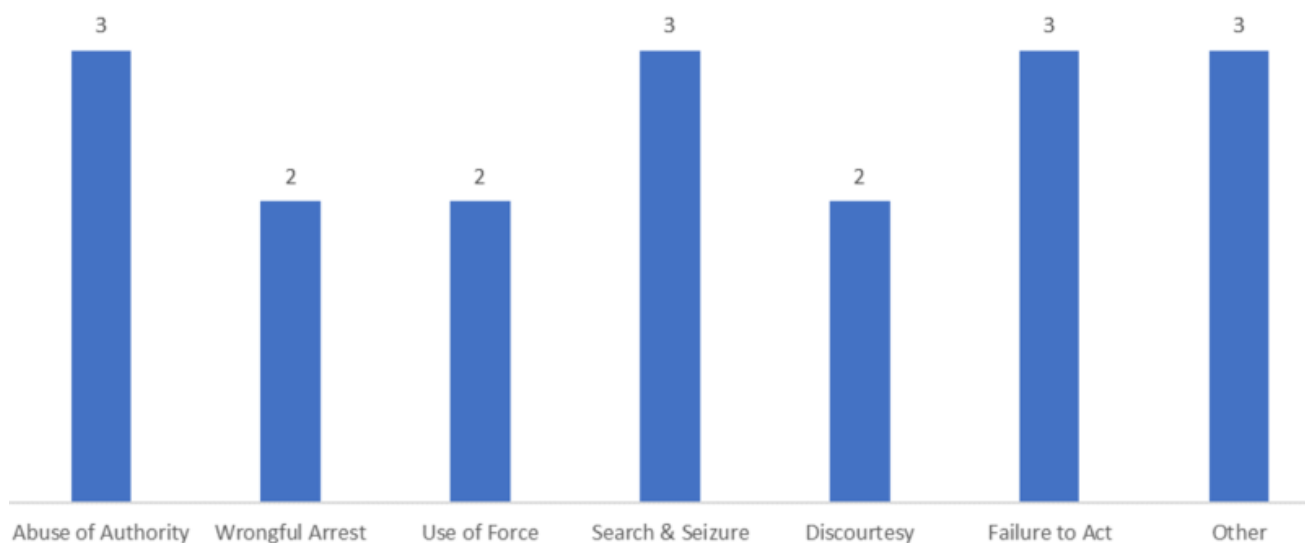
In July 2026, the PAB received eight complaints from community members concerning the practices of the Rochester Police Department (“RPD”).



Of the eight complaints received in July 2026, three were submitted through walk-in interviews, and three were submitted directly through the PAB’s website. During the same month, the RPD Professional Standards Section (“PSS”), which serves as the Department’s internal affairs unit, received one complaint and transmitted it to the PAB.

Each complaint received by the PAB is categorized based on the nature of the allegations presented. In July 2026, the complaints were distributed relatively evenly among the categories of Abuse of Authority, Wrongful Arrest, Use of Force, Search and Seizure, Discourtesy, and Failure to Act.

Complaint Category



Note: A single complaint can be assigned to multiple categories, depending on the substance of the associated incident. For example, a complainant may allege both *Discourtesy* and *Use of Force* during an interaction with the RPD, as well as recommend a change to RPD policy. In this case, the complaint would be associated with all three categories. As a result, the total number of complaints by category above (18) is greater than the number of complaints received this month (8). For more information regarding complaint categories, please see the definitions at the conclusion of this report.

POLICY & OVERSIGHT

In alignment with the PAB's mission to foster police accountability, transparency, and reimagined public safety, the Policy & Oversight Division—in collaboration with the agency's divisions—recently wrapped up a summer observational analysis micro-project.

Throughout June and July, the "What's the Story?" project sharpened our individual and collective analytical skills. Whether reviewing complaint files, gathering community input, or examining media coverage, this initiative strengthened our ability to evaluate text, video footage, and related artifacts with rigorous objectivity.

These foundational efforts are already elevating our day-to-day operations. Moving forward, the community can expect greater transparency not only through satisfaction surveys and feedback reports, but also through comprehensive educational briefs, policy analyses, oversight inquiries, and actionable proposals for policy reform.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community engagement remains central to the PAB's mission to promote transparency, accountability, and public trust. In July 2026, the Community Engagement Team participated in 18 outreach and engagement activities across Rochester and New Orleans, connecting with 1,328 individuals.

Highlights included tabling at community events such as Juneteenth and Square Fair, as well as attending the National Association of Community and Restorative Justice Conference. These efforts reflect the PAB's commitment to educating residents about their rights, sharing policy findings, and ensuring community voices help shape the future of police accountability.

Name	Address	Event Type	Date	Contacts
Measures for Justice	421 University Ave #1, Rochester, NY 14607	Intro/Relationship	7/2/2026	1
NACRJ Conference	555 Canal St, New Orleans, LA 70130	Network/Tabling	7/6/2026	520
West Side Farmers Market	831 Genesee St, Rochester, NY 14611	Network/Tabling	7/14/2026	53
NW Community Uplift	370 Jay St, Rochester, NY 14611	Network/Tabling	7/15/2026	32
Pride Festival	Highland Ave, Rochester, NY 14620	Network/Tabling	7/18/2026	125
Community Meeting on Homelessness	30 Church St, Rochester, NY 14614	Intro/Relationship	7/19/2026	58
NEMNU Meeting	1824 E Main St, Rochester, NY 14609	Intro/Relationship	7/20/2026	17
100 Men of Faith	121 Driving Park Ave, Rochester, NY 14613	Intro/Relationship	7/21/2026	30
Urban League Outreach on Thurston	597 Thurston Rd, Rochester, NY 14619	Network/Tabling	7/22/2026	42
NW Community Uplift	151 Otis St, Rochester, NY 14606	Network/Tabling	7/24/2026	28
SW Community Uplift	365 Jefferson Ave, Rochester, NY 14611	Network/Tabling	7/24/2026	53
Black Culture Festival	285 E Main St, Rochester, NY 14604	Network/Tabling	7/24/2026	118
Roc the Peace	170 Saratoga Ave, Rochester, NY 14608	Network/Tabling	7/25/2026	143
SE Community Uplift	160 Gregory St, Rochester, NY 14620	Network/Tabling	7/28/2026	62
Enlace & Refugees Helping Refugees	228 S Plymouth Ave, Rochester, NY 14608	P&O Collaboration	7/29/2026	5
NYCLU	121 Fitzhugh St N, Rochester, NY 14614	P&O Collaboration	7/29/2026	1
RESTORE	550 E Main St, Rochester, NY 14604	P&O Collaboration	7/29/2026	2
Reconnect Rochester Breakfast	400 Andrews St, Rochester, NY, 14604	Network/Tabling	7/31/2026	38
Total Contacts:				1328

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