

# Change in Response Times

Redistricting 90 Day Comparison



# Presentation Agenda

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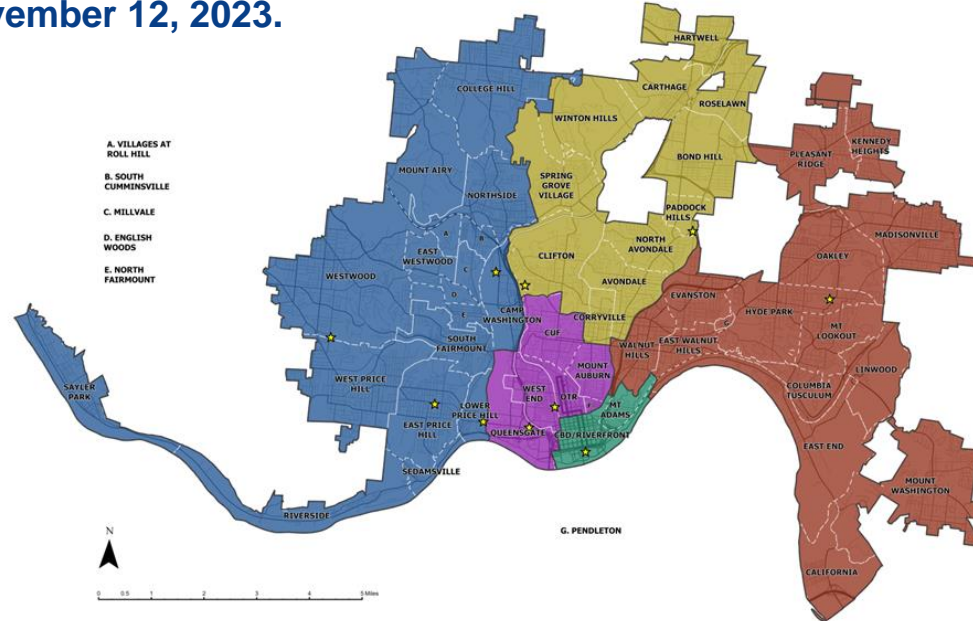
- CPD/ECC Changes
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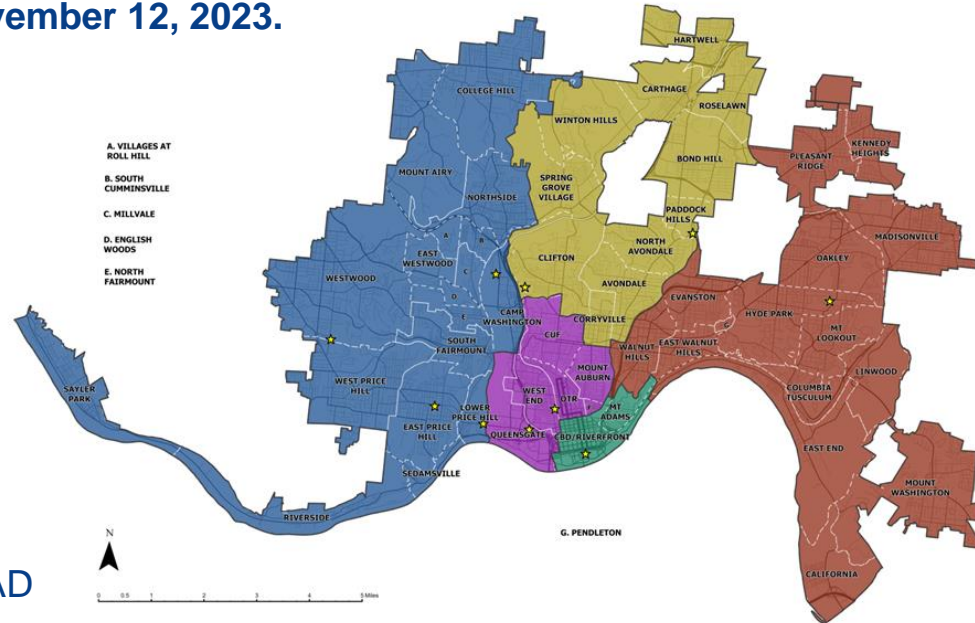


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- CPD reallocated *formerly* D5 officers
- ECC & CPD restructured beat coverage
  - Who backs up who? And when?
- ECC updated radio procedures
  - Tones for priority runs
  - Utilizing MDC for low priority messages
- ECC turned on Computer-Aided portion of CAD



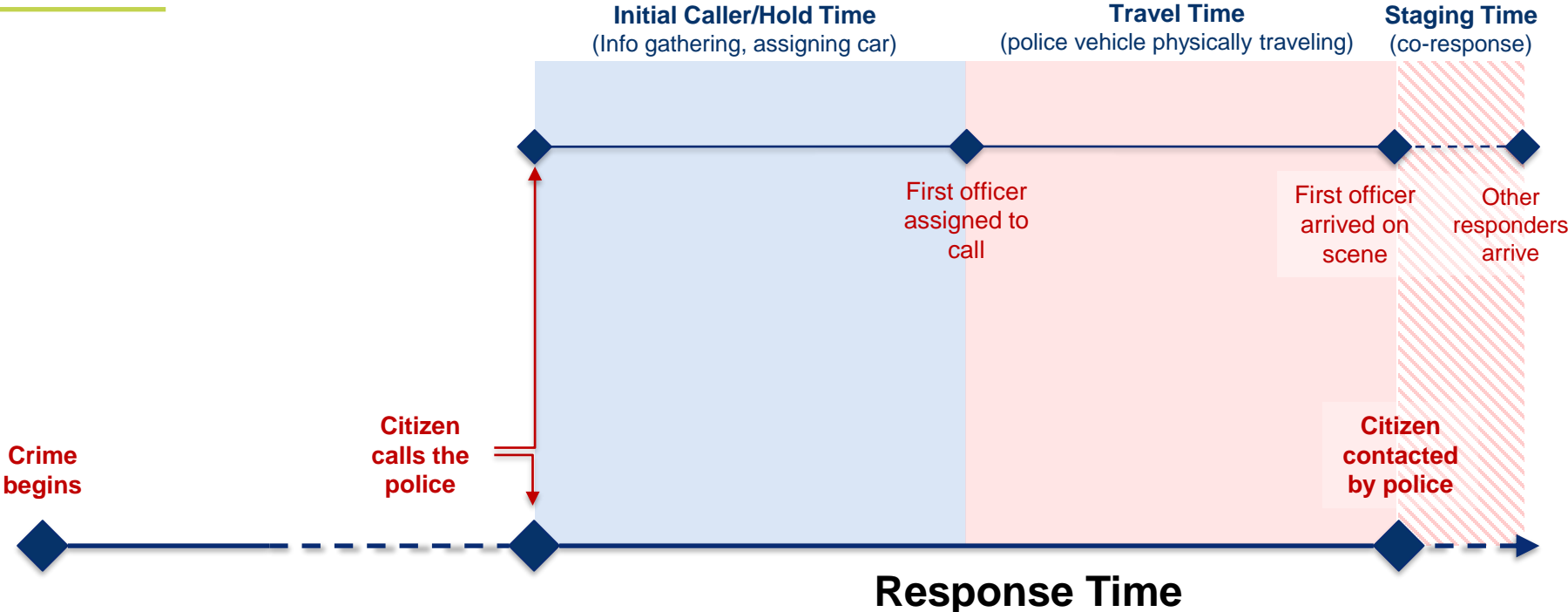
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# Response Time Refresh

Response times are **more complicated** than just picking up the phone and driving to a scene.



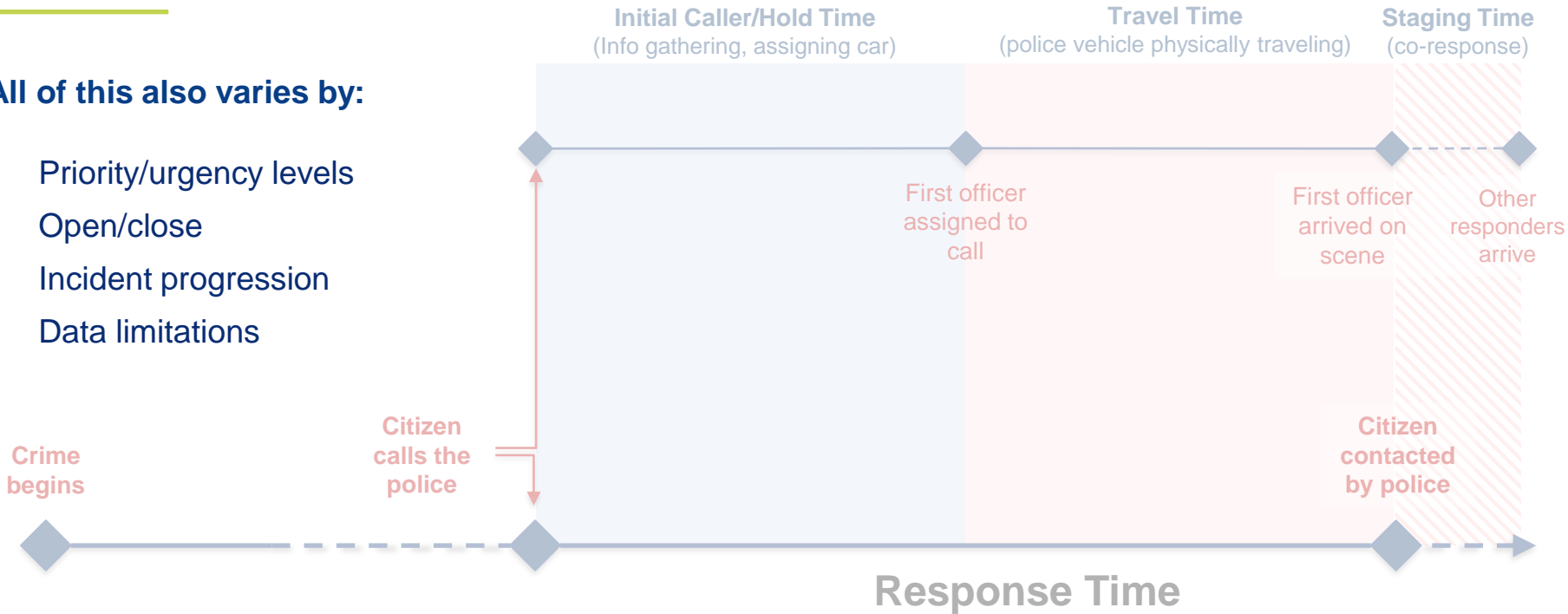
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All of this also varies by:

- Priority/urgency levels
- Open/close
- Incident progression
- Data limitations



# Response Time Refresh

Year	2019	2020	2021	2022	Change
New Orleans	50.8	83.6	97.2	145.8	+95.0
Nashville	44.2	40.3	57.8	73.8	+29.6
Portland	26.6	37.5	40.4	48.6	+22.0
New York	18.0	17.3	30.2	33.0	+15.0
Seattle	48.9	42.6	55.6	61.8	+12.8
San Francisco	65.9	58.7	66.9	78.5	+12.5
Sacramento	54.0	48.9	60.0	63.7	+9.7
Detroit	31.4	31.5	33.8	40.4	+9.0
Virginia Beach	22.1	21.5	23.8	29.8	+7.7
Gilbert	21.9	20.0	22.5	25.8	+3.9
Montgomery County	23.0	20.1	22.3	25.3	+2.4
Boise	21.5	23.8	24.6	23.0	+1.5
Chandler	20.8	20.5	22.2	22.0	+1.1
Mesa	8.0	7.8	8.9	8.8	+0.9
Cincinnati	22.9	20.8	22.5	22.2	-0.7

Average estimated response times for agencies with available Calls for Service data, 2019 - 2022 (Source: agency open data)

**Initial Caller/Hold Time**  
(Info gathering, assigning car)

**Travel Time**  
(police vehicle physically traveling)

**Staging Time**  
(co-response)

**All Avg: 17 mins**

**Priority Avg: 6 mins**

**Shots/Spots Avg: 5 mins**

**All Avg: 9 mins**

**Priority Avg: 7 mins**

**Shots/Spots Avg: 6 mins**

**Response Time**

<https://jasher.substack.com/p/police-are-taking-longer-to-respond>



# 90 Day Comparison: Methods

## Types of Calls

- Citizen-generated
  - All calls
  - Priority, Urgent, Routine

## Methods

- T-test (pre/post) & significance
- Removed outliers ( $> 2$  SD)

## Limitations

- All changes happened at same time (ECC & CPD)
- Sample size & seasonal differences
- Reasonable to assume officers learning beats
- CFS data complexities

### CAD Priority Levels

"Priority"
<p><b>Red</b> = High priority, life threatening, in progress ie. Shooting, robbery personal, animal attack, carjacking</p>
<p><b>Orange</b> = High priority, potentially life-threatening or weapon-involved, in progress ie. MHC violent, weapon incident, crash injuries</p>
"Urgent"
<p><b>Yellow</b> = Urgent, non-life threatening, in progress, just occurred or suspect in area ie. Reckless activity, burglary (IP), vehicle theft (JO)</p>
<p><b>Blue</b> = Urgent, not in progress, but injury or unknown trouble ie. 911 Silent, MHRT, family trouble</p>
"Routine"
<p><b>Purple</b> = Routine, not in progress, response needed ie. Damage (NIP), theft (NIP), abandoned vehicle</p>
<p><b>Green</b> = Routine, not in progress, referral to desk or other non-patrol ie. Station run, lock out non-urgent</p>

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## Overview

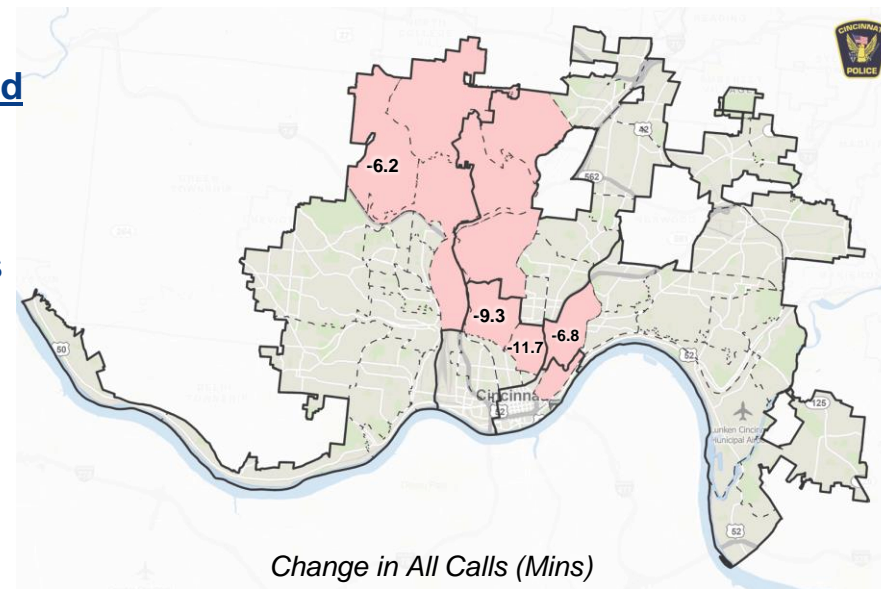
- Redistricting **did not** result in slower response times
- Furthermore, response times were **improved** with the changes made by ECC

## City Wide

- Average decrease of 3 minutes, 30 seconds

## Redistricted Only

- **Priority:** No sig change
- **Urgent:** -3 minutes
- **Routine:** -6 minutes



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## Change in All Calls (Mins)

Table 1. Change in Response Times for Neighborhoods Affected by Redistricting; 90 Days Before/After Redistricting Date

District	Neighborhood	Count		Average Response Time (Mins)		
		Pre	Post	Pre	Post	Change
CBS	Mt Adams	174	138	29.1	25.2	--
D1	CUF	1,281	952	33.5	24.2	-9.3
	Mt Auburn	586	551	34.5	22.9	-11.7
D2	Walnut Hills	1,173	957	31.4	24.6	-6.8
D3	Camp Washington	507	516	24.8	23.9	--
	College Hill	797	803	27.2	25.5	--
	Mt Airy	822	826	28.8	22.6	-6.2
	Northside	613	614	26.0	22.7	--
D4	Clifton	801	721	26.8	28.4	--
	Spring Grove Village	363	334	24.2	23.3	--
	Winton Hills	586	648	23.0	25.1	--
Affected Neighborhoods		7,703	7,060	28.9	24.4	-4.5
Total City		32,045	28,372	27.9	24.4	-3.5

Notes: Changes are only reported if the difference is statistically significant (p <= 0.05)

## Change in Priority Calls (Mins)

Table 2. Change in "Priority" Response Times for Neighborhoods Affected by Redistricting; 90 Days Before/After Redistricting Date

District	Neighborhood	Count		Average Response Time (Mins)		
		Pre	Post	Pre	Post	Change
CBS	Mt Adams	7	7	12.1	11.6	--
D1	CUF	73	58	14.1	11.3	--
	Mt Auburn	45	35	16.1	11.0	-5.1
D2	Walnut Hills	73	62	14.2	15.1	--
D3	Camp Washington	41	34	12.5	12.7	--
	College Hill	58	52	11.6	14.0	--
	Mt Airy	69	68	13.7	13.8	--
	Northside	57	44	12.2	13.5	--
D4	Clifton	57	36	14.0	17.9	--
	Spring Grove Village	26	29	14.2	16.0	--
	Winton Hills	73	64	13.8	16.6	--
Affected Neighborhoods		579	489	13.6	14.1	--
Total City		2,348	1,923	13.5	13.3	--

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# CPD Continual Monitoring

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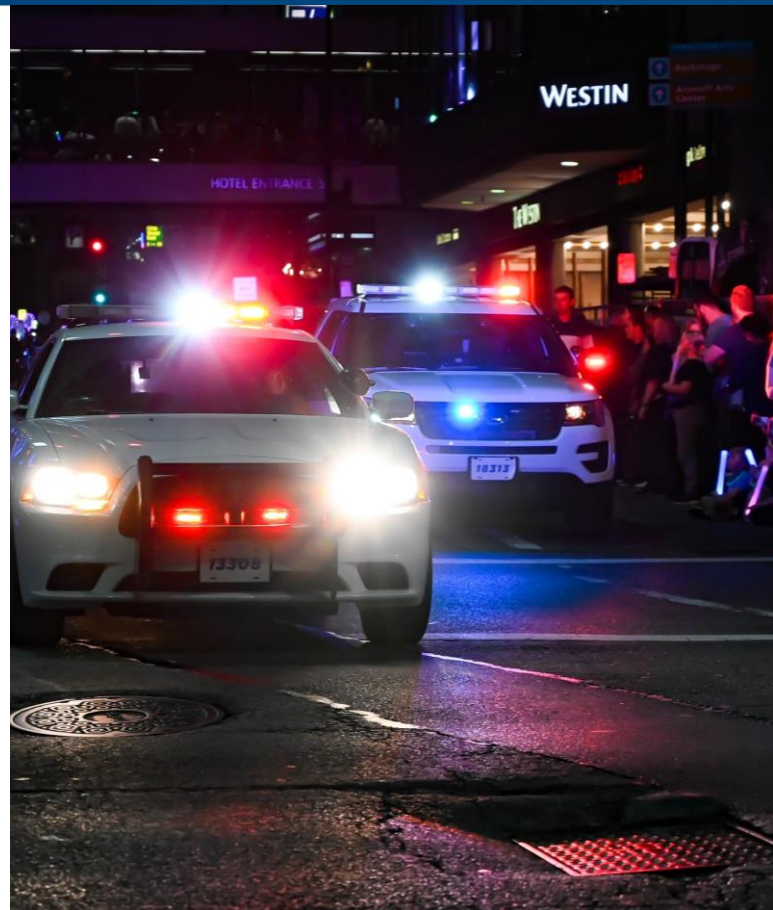
## Assistant District Commander

### Monitoring Priority Calls

- Weekly reviews
- Summertime peak

### Ongoing Problem Solving

### CPD/ECC Adjustments as Needed



# Questions?

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## Cincinnati Police Department

Chief Teresa Theetge

Dr. Jillian Desmond

## Emergency Communications Center

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