

San Jose Police Department Military Equipment Annual Report

Public Safety, Finance and Strategic Support Committee
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Assembly Bill 481

- Approved by Governor on September 30, 2021
- Increase transparency, and oversight in the funding, acquisition, and use of military equipment
- Requires law enforcement agencies possessing such equipment to have policies and supporting information available to the public
- Approval from the governing body (City Council)
- Annual Report
- Public meeting

Category 1 Military Equipment

- Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered aerial or ground vehicles.
- 33 devices
- Annual cost - \$8,500
- Deployments - 199



Category 2 Military Equipment

- Mine-resistant ambush protected (MRAP) vehicles or armored personnel carriers
- 1 vehicle
- Annual cost - \$6,500
- Deployments - 3



Category 3 Military Equipment

- High mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicles (HMMWV), commonly referred to as Humvees, two and one-half-ton trucks, five ton trucks, or wheeled vehicles that have a breaching apparatus attached.
- 3 vehicles
- Annual cost - \$19,500
- Deployments - 30



Category 4 Military Equipment

- Tracked armored vehicles that provide ballistic protection to their occupants and utilize a tracked system instead of wheels for forward motion
- 0 vehicles



Category 5 Military Equipment

- Command and control vehicles that are either built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units
- 6 vehicles
- Annual cost - \$18,120
- Deployments - 48



Category 6 Military Equipment

- Weaponized aircraft, vessels, or vehicles of any kind
- 0 vehicles

Category 7 Military Equipment

- Battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature
- Various dimensions and numbers
- Annual cost - \$6,262
- Deployments - 3



Category 8 & 9 Military Equipment

- Firearms and ammunition of .50 caliber or greater excluding shotguns
- Not currently possessed

Category 10 Military Equipment



- Specialized firearms and ammunition of less than .50 caliber, including assault weapons as defined in Sections 30510 and 30515 of the Penal Code
- 439 firearms
- Annual cost for firearms and ammunition - \$ 345,134
- Deployments - 0

Category 11 Military Equipment

- Any firearm or firearm accessory that is designed to launch explosive projectiles
- 8 firearms with attachments
- Annual cost - \$400
- Deployments - 3



Category 12 Military Equipment

- “Flashbang” grenades and explosive breaching tools, “tear gas,” and “pepper balls,” excluding standard, service-issued handheld pepper spray
- 1,336 pieces of equipment
- Annual cost - \$31,300
- Deployments - 27



Category 13 Military Equipment

- Taser Shockwave, microwave weapons, water cannons, and the Long Range Acoustic Device (LRAD)
- 7 pieces of equipment
- Annual cost - \$5,000
- Deployments - 13



Category 14 Military Equipment

- Projectile launch platforms and their associated munitions: 40mm projectile launchers, stun bag, rubber bullet, and specialty impact munition (SIM) weapons
- 256 launchers
- 3,356 munitions
- Annual cost - \$23,450
- Deployments - 16



Military Equipment Use Considerations

- Necessary because there is no reasonable alternative that can achieve the same objective of officer and community safety.
- Reasonably cost effective compared to available alternatives that can achieve the same objective of officer and community safety.
- Military equipment shall only be used by a Department employee only after applicable training, including any course required by the Commission of Peace Officer Standards and Training, has been completed, unless exigent circumstances arise.

Estimated
annual cost of
possessing
and acquiring
Military
Equipment

- \$1,500,000
- Includes ongoing purchase costs and maintenance of existing equipment
- Ongoing purchase costs of ammunition
- Additional equipment

Complaints

01

1 regarding the use of the stun bag shotgun

02

1 regarding the display of the stun bag shotgun (unfounded)

03

1 regarding the use of a “flashbang”

Law Enforcement Support Office Program

- Authorization remains to participate in the program
- No acquisition of equipment during this time period

Military Equipment Program

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Policy & Equipment

In compliance with Government Code §§ 7070 – 7073, the San Jose Police Department intends to keep the public informed about the agency's Military Equipment through this dedicated page.

The Military Equipment web page will list the policy, provide a copy of the most recent quarterly report, and provide the yearly inventory.

Any member of the public can register a question or concerns regarding Military Equipment use through the [Department Internal Affairs](#) or the [San José Independent Police Auditor](#).

Outcomes of the complaint process will follow the current practice of publishing employee discipline on the [City of San José's webpage](#).

Military Equipment Documents

 Council Memo Military Equipment	 Military Equipment Ordinance	 Requested Military Equipment	 Current Military Equipment	 Military Equipment Guidelines
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Law Enforcement Support Office Program (LESO)

Free viewers are required for some of the attached documents.
They can be downloaded by clicking on the icons below.

