

2023 Translator & Interpreter Program Annual Report



Report Time Period: 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2023

Overview

The Michigan State Police created the Translator and Interpreter Program in 2021 to provide translation and interpretation services using members of the department who have existing backgrounds in cultural and language skills. The Translator and Interpreter Program is designed to support worksites, partner agencies, and communities throughout Michigan.

2023 in the Numbers



37 Program Team Members
Increase of 12 from 2021



33 Requests From
Outside Agencies
Increase of 21 from 2021



186 People Assisted



20 Languages Provided

2023 Translator & Interpreter Program Highlights

Assisted the Saginaw County Medical Examiner's Office with interpretation for a phone call to a suicide victim's family related to the autopsy, toxicology, and information about personal belongings.

Assisted a trooper from the MSP Hart Post with an operating while intoxicated investigation via phone for a Spanish-speaking citizen.

Assisted the MSP Grand Rapids Post with a phone call from an individual who had contacted the front desk about his vehicle that was recently involved in a traffic crash. He was inquiring about the impound lot his vehicle was in and the process for picking it up.

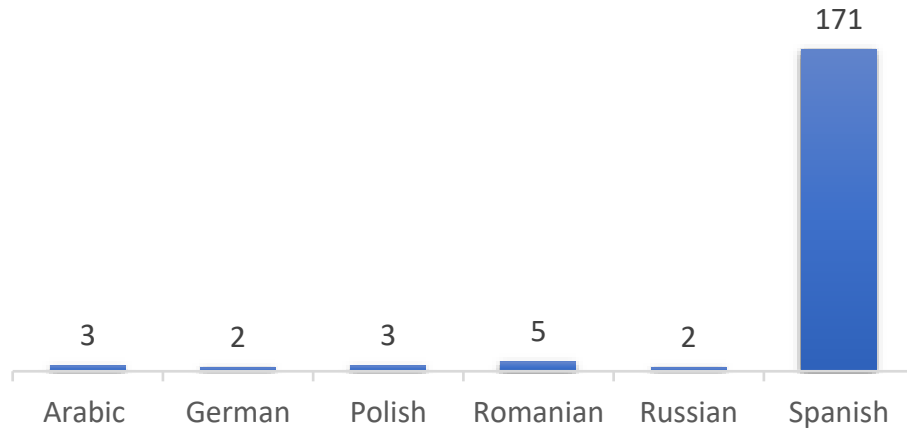
Assisted the Jackson County Sheriff's Office with forensic analysis examinations of cell phones related to a larceny investigation. Communication and audio messages were translated to locate evidence related to several larcenies.

Assisted the Battle Creek Police Department and victim services with translating the details of a homicide for the victim's family, along with information about upcoming court proceedings. Briefed family with lead detective and victim advocate.

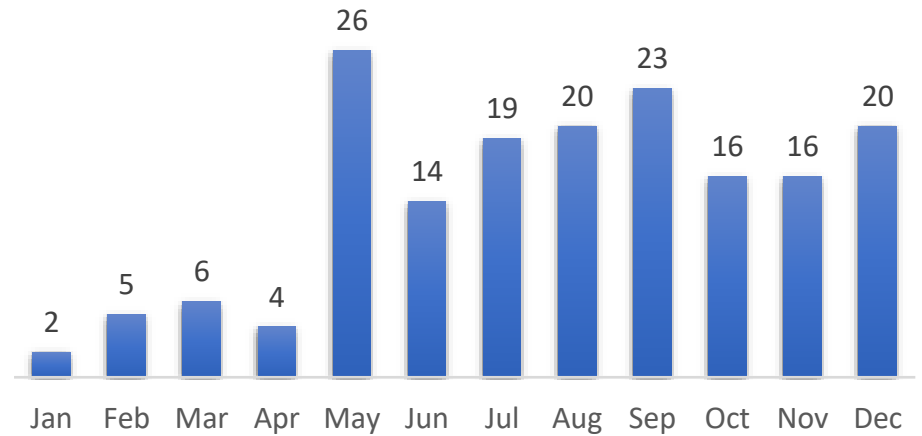
Assisted the Coldwater Police Department with an interview involving multiple Spanish-speaking citizens related to a death investigation, in addition to initiating contact with the Mexican consulate so that a death notification could be started with the family in Mexico.

Assisted the MSP Lakeview Post with an interview with a Spanish-speaking citizen at a residence where troopers were investigating a domestic violence complaint.

Languages Requested



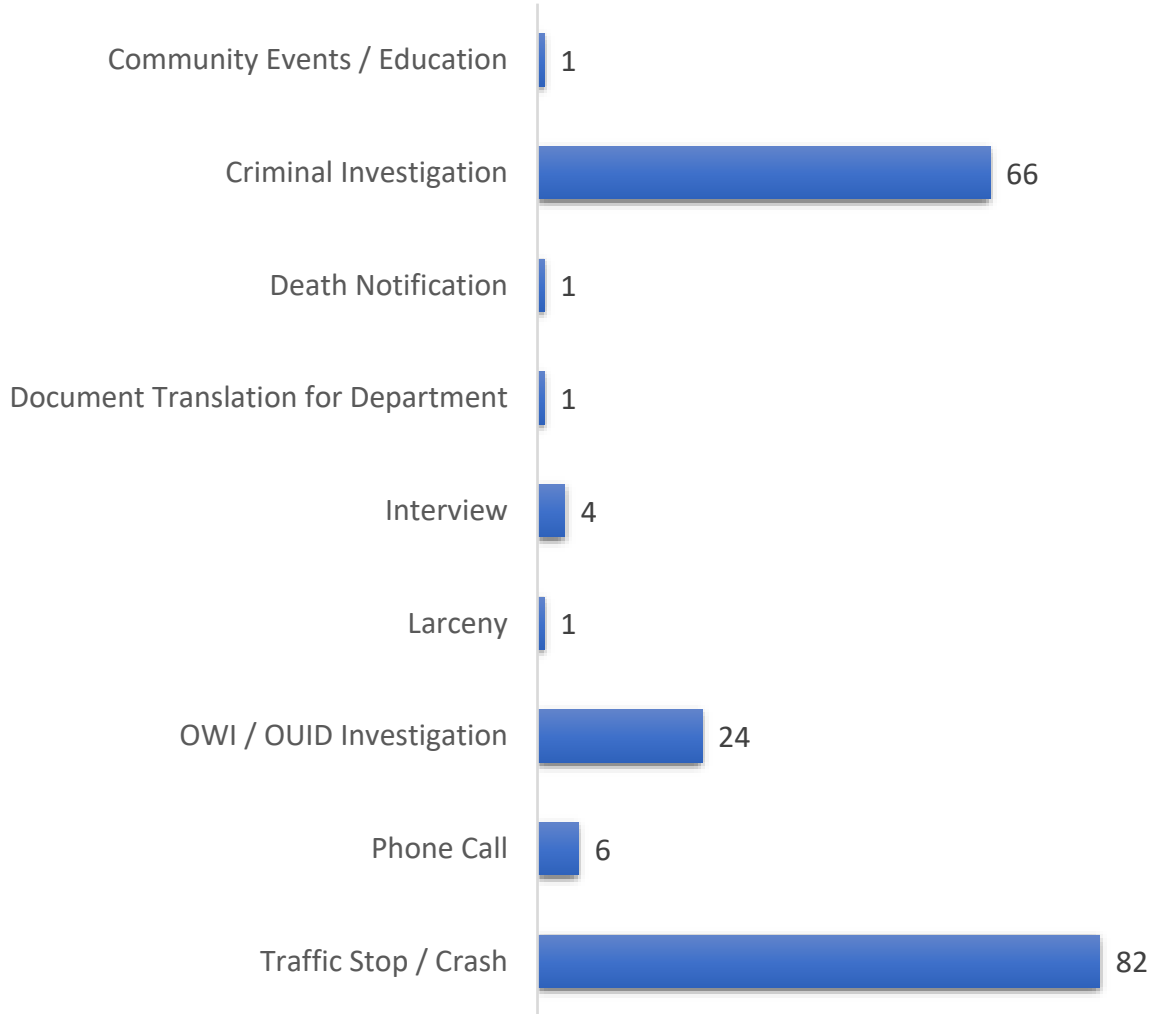
Requests Per Month



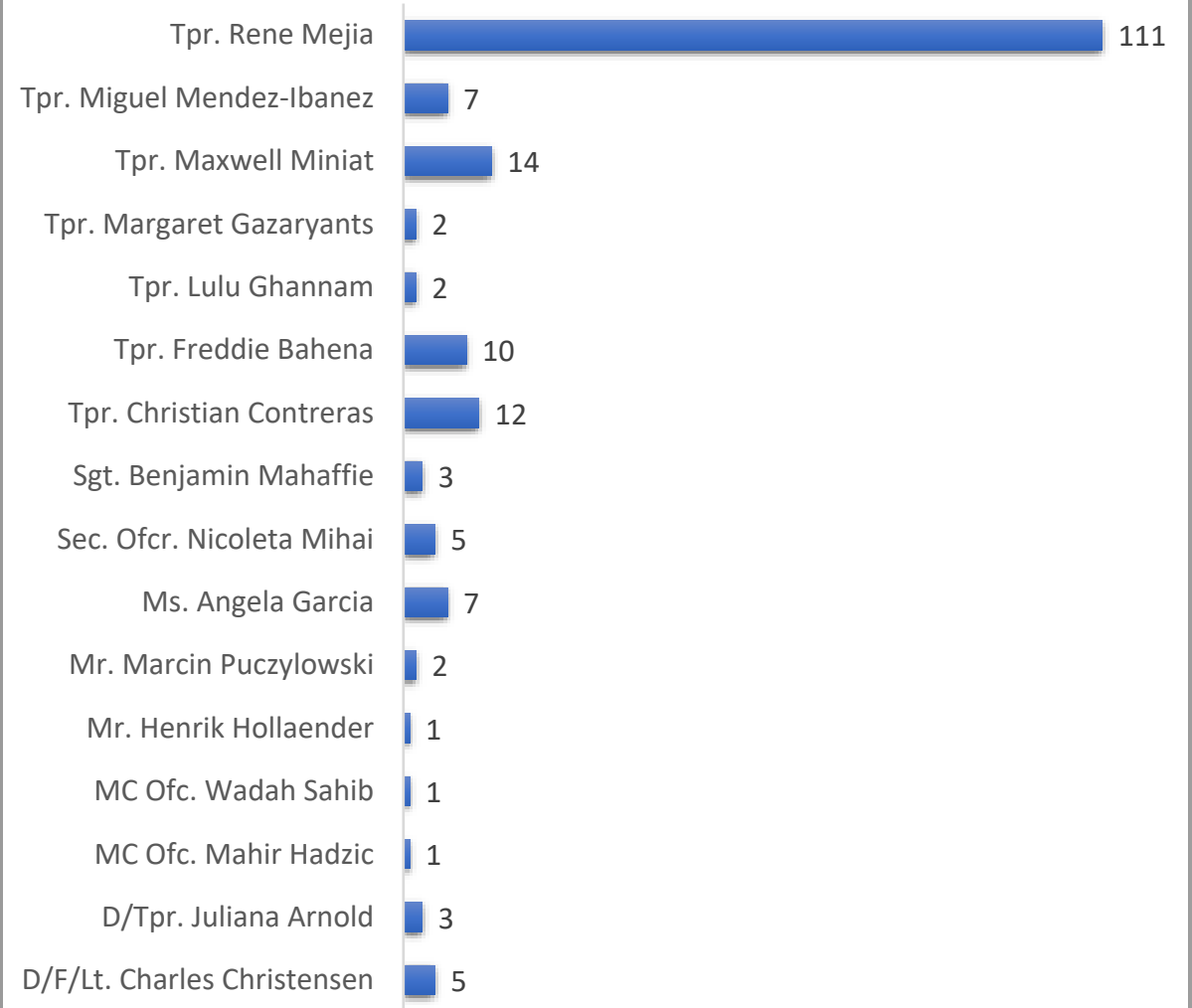
Available Languages

Albanian	Hungarian
Arabic	Malayalam
Bengali	Polish
Bosnian	Portuguese
Croatian	Romanian
Dutch	Russian
French	Serbian
German	Spanish
Gujarati	Telugu
Hindi	Urdu

Reason for Request



Requests per Translator



County and Local Agencies Served

