



CPOC February 2025 Complaint Referral Report

In February 2025, 11 complaints of police misconduct were received by CPOC and referred to the Philadelphia Police Department (PPD) Internal Affairs Division (IAD).

Summaries of the 11 complaints from February 2025 are below. All demographic data is reported by complainants. These complaints only represent complaints submitted directly to CPOC and do not include complaints filed directly with PPD.

These summaries are allegations made by complainants, they do not represent any findings of fact or conclusions.

Date Received	Demographics	Division	Summary
2/02/2025	Anonymous	Central	An officer was called to the scene of a car accident. The complainant reported that the officer stood around for 2 hours and did nothing. The officer had a “don’t care attitude” when interacting with the individuals involved in the accident as well as highway patrol dispatch employees.
2/03/2025	M – not provided	Central	The complainant called the police to report an incident involving money fraud. The police didn’t come to take a report, even after the complainant called back several times. Later, the complainant saw a police vehicle and attempted to speak with the officer to report the situation. The officer did not respond and continued to drive away.
2/04/2025	M – W	East	The complainant called 911 to report noise violations coming from a club nearby and a vehicle parked on their sidewalk. The police never responded.
2/05/2025	Anonymous	North East	The complainant reported that they are being harassed by police.
2/06/2025	F – B/AA	South West	The complainant’s child was killed in an accident in the fall. An officer contacted the family and gave them their business card. The child’s belongings were not delivered to the family after the accident. Instead, friends of the child had to go to the scene of the accident and retrieve the belongings. The complainant reported there was later a news article with false information about the accident and their child. The complainant was upset that PPD reported inaccurate information to the press.
2/07/2025	Anonymous	Online	The complainant reported an officer bragging about purchasing sex from young women.
2/12/2025	F – NA	Central	The complainant reported that police officers entered and searched their home without providing proper identification or paperwork. The officers said that the landlord gave them permission to enter the home, since the complainant was illegally living there. The door was left broken after the police left the scene.

2/14/2025	M – W	Central	The complainant was attending the Superbowl victory parade and went to use the bathroom. Their backpack was reported as “suspicious” and was picked up by police. The complainant reported arguing with two officers to get their backpack back. Upon getting it back, they discovered their lunch was missing from the bag.
2/17/2025	M – B/AA	Central	<p>The complainant reported that after the Super Bowl, they were out near a big crowd and the police wanted everyone to disperse. During the commotion, the complainant’s shoe slipped off, and they were trying to find it.</p> <p>The next thing the complainant remembered was being on the ground with a group of officers standing over them, kicking and hitting them with their batons. The officer then cuffed their wrists extremely tightly, causing them to lose feeling and leaving scars. After being handcuffed, the officers took the complainant to a van and left them alone in the dark for an unknown amount of time. Eventually, they were driven to the police station, where they were held and not allowed to use the bathroom after hours of waiting before being released. Despite having a concussion, the complainant was never offered medical attention. The complainant’s property was not returned, and they were missing money.</p>
2/25/2025	F – W	Central	The complainant went to the district to file a police report. The officer at the window told them they could call 911 to file a report. The individual asked why they would do that since they were there in person. The situation escalated and the officer became hostile, yelling at the complainant. The complainant was eventually able to find a supervisor to help them file the police report.
2/26/2025	Not provided	North East	The complainant reported their child’s partner threatened violence with a firearm. The complainant called the police to make a report and request service. The dispatcher coded it as a nonpriority and did not ask for information about the offender. The offender has warrants against them, so the complainant was upset that their call was not taken seriously, considering the threats of violence.