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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Alcohol Beverage Control

DATE: Monday, February 27, 2023

  
FROM: James Hoelscher, Enforcement Chief

RE: Enforcement Report, Alcohol

The AMCO Enforcement Unit is currently fully-staffed and continues to respond to complaints and answer questions, inspect premises and investigate observed and reported violations.

AMCO Enforcement has recently been invited to teach at the Village Police Officer Academy #40, held in Bethel from January 26 to February 17, 2023. Investigator Chiesa travelled to Bethel and instructed VPO's in Alcohol & Marijuana Laws. Investigator Chiesa also provided instruction for Electronic Control Devices (TASER).

In addition to this training, AMCO Enforcement gave a presentation to the attendees of the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Fire and Buildings Officials Forum on February 15, 2023.

We are starting the process of recruitment for an addition of a Special Investigator I position (range 19) starting in FY2023.

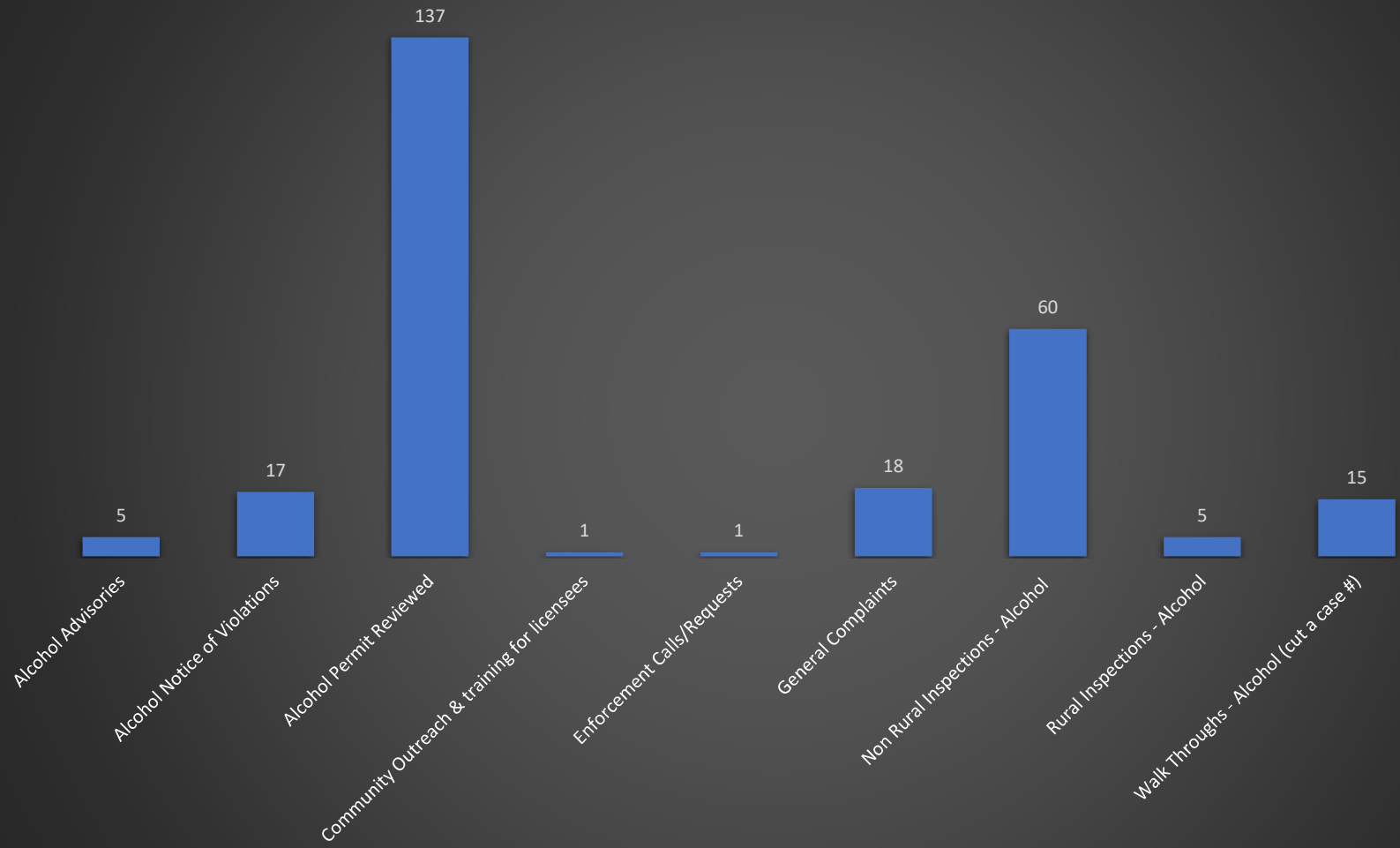
We have focused on alcohol inspections and have increased our inspections by nearly 200% from the last reporting year. We have also increased our marijuana inspections by 128%. This increase has occurred without any detriment to any other services AMCO Enforcement provides and is a result of the Enforcement staff meetings on varying topics with the goal of improvement and streamlining.

We are also working closely with Director Wilson and AMCO's Local Government Specialist on receiving accurate quarterly reports for alcohol violation within municipalities.

<b>Enforcement Activity</b>	<b>2020 Total</b>	<b>2021 Total</b>	<b>2022 Total</b>
Investigations	210	131	166
Alcohol Walk-throughs	360	264	211
Alcohol Inspections	104	246	488
Alcohol NOVs	26	72	51
Alcohol Advisory Notices	26	12	22
Alcohol Permits reviewed	294	708	914
Marijuana Walk-throughs	138	94	45
Marijuana Inspections	75	90	105
Marijuana NOVs	126	210	240
Marijuana Advisory Notices	36	25	27
Marijuana Background Conducted (MJ-18)	21	12	12
Marijuana Handler Cards Issued	2275	2616	2444
Compliance Checks/Shoulder Taps	0	0	0
Criminal Charges	0	2	1
Training Provided	45	52	18
Public Appearance/Community outreach**	1	21	2
Enforcement Calls/Requests/General Enforcement Email	11,086	7094	7736

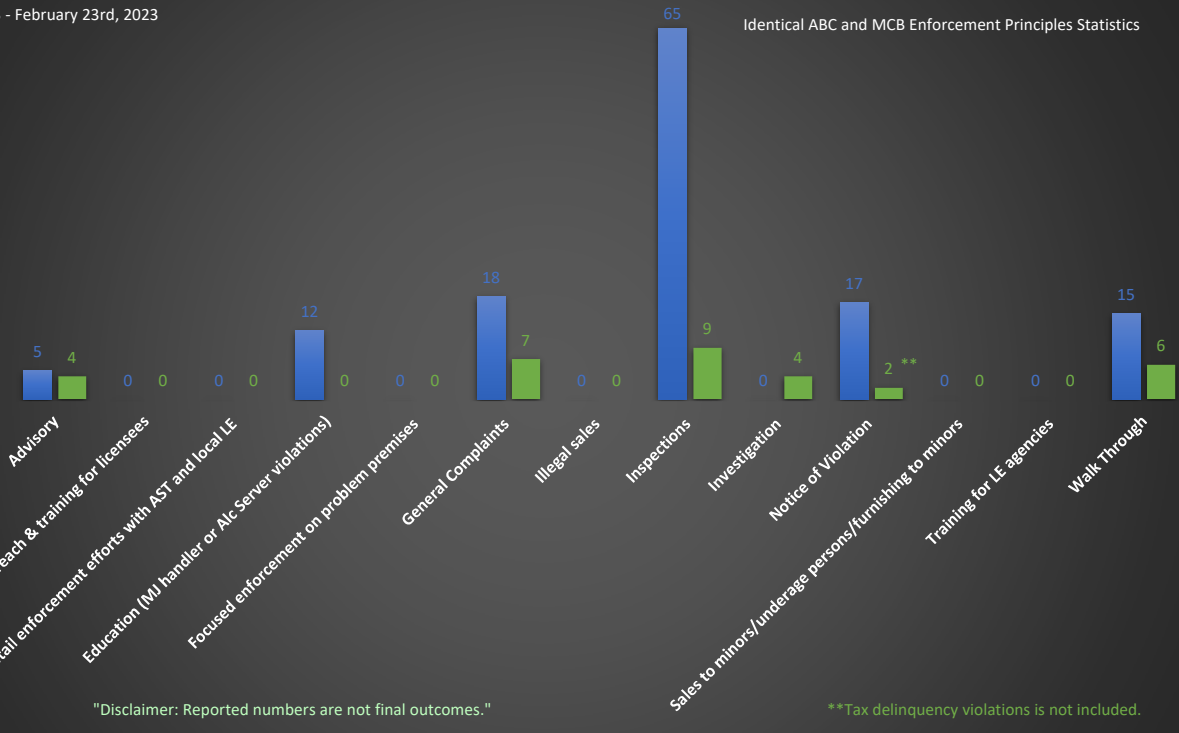
\*\*Community outreach implemented in 2021\*\*

# ABC Enforcement Principles



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Alcohol  
Marijuana



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\*\*Tax delinquency violations is not included.