



Redwood City Police
Department
2024
Annual Military Equipment Use Report

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Background

The Redwood City Police Department (RCPD) is committed to a culture of transparency, community engagement and cooperation, accountability, and compliance with the law, with a focus on building public trust. To this end, the Department has published this Military Equipment Use Report in accordance with state law. Reporting requirements for police use of Military Equipment are governed by California Government Code sections 7070, 7071, and 7072, which codify the requirements for reporting law enforcement's acquisition, use, and funding of "military equipment." The Legislature's stated purpose in enacting these code sections is to give the public information regarding any funding, acquisition, or use of military equipment by state or local government officials to increase transparency, accountability, and oversight. The same applies to the public's right to participate in any government agency's decision to fund, acquire, or use such equipment. State law requires law enforcement agencies that seek to continue the use of military equipment acquired prior to January 1, 2022, to receive annual approval from their governing body, in our case the Redwood City City Council. Council last approved Redwood City Police Department Policy 703 – Military Equipment and the Military Equipment Inventory by ordinance (3649) on April 15, 2024. This document serves as a Military Equipment report covering the period from Jan 1st, 2024 to December 31st, 2024. The policy and inventory list are located on the Redwood City Police Department's website at:

<https://www.redwoodcity.org/departments/police-department/about-us/departments-policies/police-department-policy-proposals/>

California Government Code § 7072 requires law enforcement agencies to annually prepare, a Military Equipment Report. The report is required to contain the following information:

1. A summary of how the military equipment was used and the purpose of its use;
2. A summary of any complaints or concerns received concerning the military equipment;
3. The results of any internal audits, any information about violations of the military equipment use policy, and any actions taken in response;
4. The total annual cost for each type of military equipment, including acquisition, personnel, training, transportation, maintenance, storage, upgrade, and other ongoing costs, and from what source funds will be provided for the military equipment in the calendar year following submission of the annual military equipment report;
5. The quantity possessed for each type of military equipment; and
6. If the law enforcement agency intends to acquire additional military equipment in the next year, the quantity sought for each type of military equipment.



Definitions

Pursuant to Government Code §7070, the following definitions are applicable to the Department's military equipment inventory:

Governing Body – The elected or appointed body that oversees the Department

Military Equipment – Includes, but is not limited, to the following:

1. Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered aerial or ground vehicles;
2. Mine-resistant ambush-protected (MRAP) vehicles or armored personnel carriers;
3. High mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicles (HMMWV), two-and-one-half-ton trucks, five-ton trucks, or wheeled vehicles that have a breaching or entry apparatus attached;
4. Tracked armored vehicles that provide ballistic protection to their occupants and utilize a tracked system instead of wheels for forward motion;
5. Command and control vehicles that are either built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units;
6. Weaponized aircraft, vessels, or vehicles of any kind;
7. Battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature. This does not include a handheld, one-person ram;
8. Firearms and ammunition of .50 caliber or greater, excluding standard-issue shotguns and standard-issue shotgun ammunition;
9. Specialized firearms and ammunition of less than .50 caliber, including assault weapons as defined in Sections 30510 and 30515 of the Penal Code, except for standard issue service weapons and ammunition of less than .50 caliber that are issued to officers, agents, or employees of a law enforcement agency or state;
10. Any firearm or firearm accessory that is designed to launch explosive projectiles;
11. "Flashbang" grenades and explosive breaching tools, "tear gas," and "pepper balls," excluding standard, service-issued handheld pepper spray;
12. Munitions containing tear gas or OC, excluding standard, service issued handheld pepper spray;
13. TASER® Shockwave, microwave weapons, water cannons, and long-range acoustic devices (LRADs);
14. The following projectile launch platforms and their associated munitions: 40mm projectile launchers, "bean bag," rubber bullet, and specialty impact munition (SIM) weapons;
15. Any other equipment as determined by a governing body or a state agency to require additional oversight.



Equipment Overview

The Redwood City Police Department does not own any equipment received from any branch of the military or Department of Defense and does not participate in the Law Enforcement Support Officer (LESO) 10-33 program. The term “military equipment,” as used in the statute, in fact does not necessarily indicate equipment that has been commonly used by the military or was necessarily designed for a military purpose. Pursuant to 7070(c), items deemed to be “military equipment” include, but are not limited to: unmanned aerial or ground vehicles, armored vehicles, command and control vehicles, pepper balls and launchers, less lethal shotguns, less lethal 40mm projectile launchers, chemical irritants (CS gas) and diversionary devices. With the exception of patrol rifles, the less lethal 40mm launchers firing sponge baton rounds, and the Tahoe command and control vehicle, RCPD’s military equipment is used exclusively by members of the Redwood City Special Response Team (SRT) in controlled operations under close command staff supervisor and subject to strict use of force and de-escalation policies. The full military equipment inventory list can be found on the Department’s web page using the link referenced above.

The Department is authorized to deploy the following types equipment described in the statutorily defined categories. These include:

Agency Owned Equipment

1. Specialized firearms and ammunition of less than .50 caliber, including assault weapons as defined in Sections 30510 and 30515 of the Penal Code
 - 4 Colt LE6945 semi-automatic 5.56mm rifles
 - 15 Colt M4 select fire 5.56mm rifles
 - 23 H&K MP5 select fire 9mm submachine guns
 - 91 semi-automatic 5.56mm patrol rifles, various makes and models (77 Colt LE6920, 10 Daniel Defense DCM4, 1 LWRC M6IC, 1 Noveske N4, 1 BCM BCM4, 1 S&W MP15).
 - 2 Accuracy International bolt action .308 Caliber precision rifles
 - 1 Remington bolt action .308 Caliber precision rifle
2. Mobile Command Vehicles (MCV)
 - 1 Workhorse / Mattman Truck – Equipment Transport
 - 1 2015 Chevy Tahoe Command Vehicle
3. Battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature
 - 1 Remington 870 12 Gauge Breaching Shotgun



- 1 Kinetic Breaching Tool (KTB)
- 4. Noise-flash (“flashbang”) diversionary devices
 - 42 Defense Technology Low Roll Distraction Devices
 - 19 Expired Defense Technology Low Roll Distraction Devices – training only
- 5. Munitions containing tear gas or OC, excluding standard, service-issued handheld pepper spray
 - 10 Defense Technology Flameless Tri-Chamber CS Model 1032 Grenades
 - 4 Defense Technology Spede Heat CS Model 1072 Grenades
 - 5 Defense Technology Triple-Chased CS Model 1026 Grenades
 - 10 Defense Technology Riot Control CS Model 1092 Grenades
 - 10 Defense Technology Feret 40mm Liquid Penetrator Rounds CS Model 2262
 - 10 Defense Technology Muzzle Blast 40mm Rounds CS Model 6042
 - 5 FTC/VKS Model Pepperball Launchers and pepperball munitions
- 6. Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered ground vehicles
 - 4 RoboteX Avatar Tactical Robots
- 7. Kinetic energy weapons and munitions
 - 36 Defense Technology 40LMTS 40mm Launchers
 - 2 Remington 870 Less Lethal Bean Bag Shotguns
 - 2 Defense Technology 400 Tactical 4-Shot Launchers
- 8. Long Range Acoustical Device (LRAD)
 - 1 HyperSpike Long Range Acoustical Device

[Authorized to Use \(Owned by other Public Safety Agencies\)](#)

- 9. Armored Personnel Carriers with Breaching Capability
 - Lenco Bearcat G3 Armored Rescue Vehicle - operated by San Mateo County Sheriff’s Office (SMCSO)
 - Lenco Beat MARS Armored Rescue Vehicle – operated by Daly City PD
 - Lenco Bear Medevac (MedCat) Armored Medical Transport – owned by San Mateo County Bureau of Emergency Services
 - IAG Sentinel Armored Rescue Vehicle - owned by San Mateo County Bureau of

Emergency Services, operated by San Mateo PD.

10. Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered aerial vehicles

- DJI Matrice 300 RTK Drone – operated by SMCSO
- Mavic II Enterprise Dual/Advanced Drone – operated by SMCSO
- DJI Matrice 300 RTK Drone – operated by Redwood City Fire Department (RCFD)
- Mavic II Enterprise Dual/Advanced Drone – operated by RCFD

11. Mobile Command Vehicles

- San Mateo County Sheriff's Office Mobile Command Vehicle

Comparative Equipment Chart

This chart provides a comparative look at the type of equipment either owned or authorized for use by 13 other Bay Area Municipal Police Departments of a size similar to Redwood City PD. As the chart shows, Redwood City is in line with other similar sized cities with respect to the equipment it owns and/or is authorized to use.

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Military Equipment Usage

SRT TEAM Activation – Warrant Service

March 20th, 2024

1800 Block of East Bayshore Road, East Palo Alto

Suspect: Hispanic Male, 20-years-old

The East Palo Alto Police Department investigated an armed robbery which occurred in their city on 2/18/2024. Through the investigation, EPAPD Detectives identified 3 suspects who committed the robbery. The San Mateo County Sheriff's Office SWAT team was tasked with executing two warrants in the 1800 Block of East Bayshore Road. The SMCSO's SWAT team then requested the assistance of the Redwood City Police Department's Special Response Team (SRT) to serve one warrant, while the SMCSO's SWAT served the other warrant. On 3/20/2024, RCPD SRT members surrounded the residence and one diversionary device was deployed in the rear yard of the residence. Once deployed, announcements to the occupants inside the residence began. Ultimately four occupants exited the residence and were detained without incident. The primary person of interest was one of the four occupants detained.

SRT Team deployed with:

- San Mateo PD armored rescue vehicle
- AMR MedCat armored rescue vehicle
- Rifles (M4 and MP5)
- Defense Technology 8933 low roll non-reloadable distraction device
- Workhorse/Mattman equipment command and control vehicle
- CS gas
- 40mm less lethal

Note: The SRT team did not use/deploy any firearms, CS gas, or 40mm baton rounds during this incident. SRT team members were merely equipped with these items and able to deploy them if needed.



SRT Team Activation – Warrant Service

April 18th, 2024

2700 Block of Marlborough Ave, Redwood City

Suspects: Black Male, 36 years old / Black Female, 51 years old

The Redwood City Police Department investigated a robbery which occurred in Redwood City on 3/26/2024. Through the investigation, Redwood City PD Detectives identified two suspects who participated in the robbery. RCPD secured search warrants and arrest warrants for each of the two suspects who both resided in the 2700 Block of Marlborough Avenue in Redwood City, with the male suspect living in the garage area of the residence. The RCPD SRT team was tasked with serving the warrants. On 4/18/2024, RCPD SRT members surrounded the residence. Once evacuations and searches of the building were complete, the primary suspect was called out of the residence where he was taken into custody peacefully. One NFD (flashbang) was utilized during this incident. The other suspect was not at the residence at the time of the warrant service.

SRT Team deployed with:

- San Mateo County Sheriff's Office armored rescue vehicle
- San Mateo PD armored rescue vehicle
- AMR MedCat armored rescue vehicle
- Rifles (M4 and MP5)
- Defense Technology 8933 low roll non-reloadable distraction device
- Workhorse/Mattman equipment command and control vehicle
- CS gas
- 40mm less lethal
- San Mateo County Sheriff's Office interior drones

Note: The SRT team did not use/deploy any firearms, CS gas, or 40mm baton rounds during this incident. SRT Team members were merely equipped with these items and able to deploy them if needed.



SRT Team Activation – Warrant Service

September 30th, 2024

1100 Block of Carlton Ave, Menlo Park

Suspect: Hispanic Male, 33 years old

The Redwood City Police Department investigated a murder which occurred on 9/27/2024. Through the investigation, RCPD Detectives identified one suspect who they believed committed the murder. Redwood City PD secured a search warrant and an arrest warrant for the suspect. The RCPD SRT Team was tasked with serving the warrants in the 1100 Block of Carlton Avenue in Menlo Park. On 9/30/2024, the suspect was located and placed under arrest outside of the residence. Once the suspect was arrested the RCPD SRT Team conducted a “surround and call out” at the residence. Three additional persons were removed from the residence peacefully prior to a search of the residence being conducted.

SRT Team deployed with:

- San Mateo PD armored rescue vehicle
- San Mateo County Sheriff’s Office armored rescue vehicle
- AMR MedCat armored rescue vehicle
- Rifles (M4 and MP5)
- Defense Technology 8933 low roll non-reloadable distraction device
- Workhorse/Mattman equipment command and control vehicle
- CS gas
- 40mm less lethal

Note: The SRT team did not use/deploy any firearms, CS gas, or 40mm baton rounds during this incident. SRT Team members were merely equipped with these items and able to deploy them if needed.



SRT Team Activation – Warrant Service

November 7th, 2024

1900 Block of Capitol Ave, East Palo Alto

Suspect: Hispanic Male, 23 years old

The Fremont Police Department investigated a murder which occurred in their city on 7/20/2024. Through the investigation, Fremont PD Detectives identified three suspects who participated in the murder and two additional suspects who were determined to be accessories to the crime after it had been committed. Fremont PD secured search warrants for 5 residences, to be served simultaneously. The RCPD SRT Team was tasked with serving the warrant in the 1900 Block of Capitol Ave in East Palo Alto. On 11/7/2024, RCPD SRT members surrounded the residence and two diversionary devices were deployed. All occupants exited the residence and the suspect was determined to not be in the residence.

SRT Team deployed with:

- San Mateo PD armored rescue vehicle
- AMR MedCat armored rescue vehicle
- Rifles (M4 and MP5)
- Defense Technology 8933 low roll non-reloadable distraction device
- Workhorse/Mattman equipment command and control vehicle
- CS gas
- 40mm less lethal
- Kinetic Breaching Tool
- Hyperspike HS-10 Portable Acoustic Hailing Device

Note: The SRT team did not use/deploy any firearms, CS, or 40mm baton rounds gas during this incident. SRT team members were merely equipped with these items and able to deploy them if needed.



Summary of SRT activation since 2022:

Year	Total Activations	Location	Force Used	Arrest Made	Circumstances:
2022	1	Adams St, RWC	No	Yes	Criminal Barricade
2023	5	E. Bayshore Rd, EPA	No	Yes	SRT Warrant Service
		Madison Av, RWC	Yes	Yes	Criminal Barricade
		Waterside Cir, RWC	Yes	Yes	Criminal Barricade
		Laurel St, RWC	No	Yes	SRT Warrant Service
		Coleman Pl, Menlo Park	No	Yes	Criminal Barricade
2024	4	Capitol Ave, EPA	Yes	No	SRT Warrant Service
		Carlton Av, Menlo Park	No	Yes	SRT Warrant Service
		Marlborough Av, RWC	No	Yes	SRT Warrant Service
		E. Bayshore Rd, EPA	No	Yes	SRT Warrant Service

Patrol Division – Drone use for vehicle collision

March 2, 2024

700 Block of El Camino Real, Redwood City

A vehicle versus pedestrian collision occurred in the 700 Block of El Camino Real. The pedestrian was pronounced deceased at the scene. RCFD was requested to acquire drone footage of El Camino Real.

Equipment used:

- RCFD drone

Patrol Division – Drone use for missing person

March 8, 2024

Shaw Ct, Redwood City

An at-risk missing person was reported missing and he was believed to be in the area of Stulsaft Park. A thermal capable drone was requested and RCFD responded to assist. The missing person was not located at Stulsaft Park.

Equipment used:

- RCFD drone

Patrol Division – Drone use for person experiencing mental health crisis

March 9, 2024

Shaw Ct, Redwood City



A subject experiencing a mental health crisis parked his van near an elementary school. The subject had several firearms registered to him. A drone from the San Mateo County Sheriff's was used to search the van prior to officers making contact. The subject was located on foot at another location.

Equipment used:

- SMCSO drone

[Patrol Division – Drone request for wanted subject](#)

April 19, 2024

300 Block of El Camino Real, Redwood City

A subject stole a vehicle and later used it to ram into an occupied police vehicle. The vehicle was located on Silver Hill Road a short while later and a drone was requested for surveillance. The subject entered the stolen vehicle and drove away. The subject was arrested at Planet Fitness in Redwood City a short time later.

Equipment requested:

- SMCSO drone

[Patrol Division – Drone use for vehicle collision](#)

October 28, 2024

Whipple Avenue / East Bayshore Road, Redwood City

A solo vehicle collision occurred at the intersection of Whipple Avenue and East Bayshore Road. The driver drove into a concrete jersey barrier and the driver was pronounced deceased several hours later. A drone was requested to scan the area for debris associated to the collision.

Equipment used:

- RCFD drone



Drone Use Chart

This chart provides a look at the drone deployments by RCPD for year 2024.

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Missing Person			1									
Wanted subject search				1								
Mental Health Crisis			1									
SRT Operation				1								
Search and Rescue												
Accident Investigations			1							1		
Monitoring of large public events												
Crime scene												
Traffic management												
Total # of uses			3	2						1		

40MM Sponge Rounds used during this reporting period

A total of eight 40mm sponge rounds were fired during this reporting period. These rounds were discharged in seven separate incidents: one round each in six incidents, and two rounds in an additional incident. The suspects involved in these incidents included three Black males aged 24 and 30, four Hispanic males aged 33, 35, and two 39-year-olds, as well as one White male aged 25. The department completed use of force reports and reviews for each of the eight incidents and determined all uses were within both the law and department policy.



Equipment Not Used During the Reporting Period

1. Chemical Agent Munitions

- Defense Technology Flameless Tri-Chamber CS Model 1032 Grenades - **0** Uses
- Defense Technology Spede Heat CS Model 1072 Grenades – **0** Uses
- Defense Technology Triple-Chased CS Model 1026 Grenades – **0** Uses
- Defense Technology Riot Control CS Model 1092 Grenades - **0** Uses
- Defense Technology Feret 40mm Liquid Penetrator Rounds CS Model 2262 - **0** Uses
- Defense Technology Muzzle Blast 40mm Rounds CS Model 6042 – **0** Uses

2. Kinetic Weapons

- 5 FTC/FKS Model Pepperball Launcher – **0** Uses
- Remington 870 Less Lethal Bean Bag Shotgun – **0** Uses

3. Breaching Apparatus

- Remington 870 12 Gauge Breaching Shotgun – **0** Uses

4. Specialized Firearms

- H&K MP5 select fire 9mm rifles – **0** Uses
- Colt M4 select fire 5.56mm rifles – **0** Uses
- Accuracy International bolt action .308 Caliber precision rifle – **0** Uses
- Remington bolt action .308 Caliber precision rifle – **0** Uses

5. Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered ground vehicles.

- RoboteX Avatar Tactical Robot – **0** Uses

6. Armored Vehicles with Breaching Capability

- Lenco Bear MARS Armored Rescue Vehicle – **0** Uses



Summary of Community Complaints or Concerns

The application and use of Military Equipment may cause questions and/or concerns for members of the community. The Redwood City Police Department is committed to responding to complaints, concerns and/or questions received through any of the below-listed methods in a timely manner.

There were no community complaints made related to the use of military equipment by the Redwood City Police Department during the reporting period.

Pursuant to California Government Code §7070(d)(7), members of the public may register complaints or concerns or submit questions about the use of each specific type of military equipment in this policy by any of the following means:

1. Via email to: RCPD@redwoodcity.org
2. Via phone call to: (650) 780-7100
3. Via mail sent to:

Redwood City Police Department
Attn: Military Equipment Compliance Officer
1301 Maple Street
Redwood City, CA 94063



Summary and Responses to Military Equipment Use Policy Violations

The Department has reviewed each use of the military equipment that occurred during the reporting period and has not found any policy violations related to its use during the reporting period and no administrative investigations are on-going.



Training and Personnel Costs

The safe and proficient use of the equipment outlined by AB481 requires countless hours of initial and on-going training, as well as required certifications. Most training for department personnel is conducted internally by certified department personnel to ensure adherence to law and policy. There are times when department personnel are sent to external training courses to enhance and supplement internal training and to obtain “train the trainer” certifications. Consumable and non-consumable equipment is used during training to ensure proficiency and competency during real-life emergencies.

	Equipment	Consumables Used	External Training	Total Cost
1.	Redwood City Tahoe Command and Control Vehicle	\$0	\$0	\$0
2.	Lenco BearCat GG3	\$0	\$0	\$0
3.	Lenco BearCat/MedCat	\$0	\$0	\$0
4.	Lenco Bear MARS	\$0	\$0	\$0
5.	IAG Sentinel Armored Vehicle	\$0	\$0	\$0
6.	Robotex Robots	\$0	\$0	\$0
7.	Defense Technologies Distraction Devices	\$1,760	\$0	\$1,760
8.	Deftech LMT 40 MM Kinetic Energy Projectiles (Training)	\$600	\$0	\$600
9.	Accuracy International .308 Precision Rifle	\$1,437.60	\$0	\$1,437.60
10.	Remington Breaching Shotgun (Model 870, 12 Gauge)	\$0	\$0	\$0
11.	Patrol Rifle - 5.56 semi-automatic rifle	\$4,041.60	\$0	\$4,041.60
12.	Colt M4 select-fire 5.56mm rifle	\$1,185	\$0	\$1,185
13.	MP5 9mm submachine gun	\$1,995.00	\$0	\$1,955.00
14.	Pepperball Launchers	\$0	\$0	\$0
15.	Defense Technologies CS Gas Systems (All Types)	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total:	\$11,019.20	\$0	\$11,019.20

Training Type	Hours	Total Cost
SRT Training Overtime Personnel Hours	1,249	\$191,473.41 (Overtime Cost)
Total SRT Training Hours for 2024	1650	



Equipment Costs

The following were the equipment related expenditures for January 2024 through December 2024. Also listed is the projection of expenses in calendar year 2025. Equipment expenditures include the acquisition of new equipment, the replacement or repair of damaged equipment, and the ongoing maintenance of our AB 481 military equipment, which are captured in our Annual Maintenance/Replacement column. All costs are absorbed through the existing authorized police department budget and the department is not seeking any additional funds related to military equipment use.

	Equipment	Acquisitions	Annual Maintenance	Projections
1.	Redwood City Tahoe Command and Control Vehicle	\$0	\$12,600.00	\$13,000.00
2.	Workhorse / Mattman Truck – Equipment Transport	\$0	\$2,700	\$3,000.00
3.	Patrol Rifles	\$0	\$0	\$0
4.	Colt M4 select-fire 5.56mm rifles	\$0	\$0	\$0
5.	H&K MP5 select-fire 9mm submachine guns	\$0	\$0	\$0
6.	Accuracy International .308 caliber rifle	\$0	\$0	\$0
7.	Defense Technology Low Roll Distraction Devices	\$3880.24	\$0	\$1,000
8.	Defense Technology 40 MM Kinetic Energy Projectiles/Launchers	\$9,326.42	\$0	\$1,000
9.	Accuracy International .308 Precision Rifle	\$0	\$0	\$0
10.	Remington Breaching Shotgun (Model 870, 12 Gauge)	\$0	\$0	\$0
11.	RoboteX Avatar Tactical Robots	\$0	\$0	\$0
12.	Pepperball Launchers	\$0	\$0	\$0
13.	Defense Technologies CS Gas Systems (All Types)	\$0	\$0	\$0
14.	5.56mm Ammunition (Patrol and M4 Rifles)	\$5,226.60	\$0	\$10,000
15.	9mm Ammunition (MP5)	\$1,995.00	\$0	\$2,500
16.	308. Ammunition	\$1,437.60	\$0	\$5,000
17.	HyperSpike Long Range Acoustical Device	\$4,173.05	\$0	\$0
18.	Kinetic Breaching Tool	\$12,695.00	\$0	\$0
	Total:	\$38,733.91	\$15,300	\$35,500



Total Annual Expenditure - January 2024 through December 2024

Acquisitions	Maintenance	Personnel	External Training	Total
\$38,733.91	\$15,300	\$191,473.41	\$0	\$245,507.32

Projected Acquisitions for 2025

While some purchases and acquisitions can be anticipated, the unanticipated replacement of existing military equipment may be necessary due to damage beyond that of repair. Replacement of these items will be handled on a case-by-case basis dependent on operational and departmental needs. These unexpected needs-based acquisitions will be in accordance with department policy and AB 481.

Consumable Military Equipment

Consumable military equipment acquisitions in the next 12 months will remain consistent with current department replenishment schedules and policies. Acquisitions and purchasing of these consumables will replenish quantities previously approved by the Department. Categories of consumables are as follows:

- Ammunition - all calibers
- Diversionary Devices
- Chemical Agents
- Specialty Munitions (40mm and Less Lethal Munitions)
- Pepperball Rounds

Projected costs associated with consumables are listed in the chart in the "Equipment Costs" section of this report.



Non-Consumable Military Equipment

Defense Technology 400 Tactical 4-Shot Launcher Update:



Council approved the use and storage of five Defense Technology 400 Tactical 4-Shot Launchers by the Police Department in April 2024. Due to rising costs, only two Defense Technology 400 Tactical 4-Shot Launchers were purchased instead of five. The cost for a single launcher was \$3,580.00 and the two launchers ordered arrived in late January 2025 for a total cost of \$7,867.05.

HyperSpike – Long Range Acoustical Device (LRAD) Update:

Council approved the use and storage of the Long Range Acoustical Device (LRAD) by the Police Department in April 2024. The LRAD arrived in June 2024 and the purchase price was \$4,173.05. The LRAD is a powerful and effective means of communication and can project clear and intelligible messages over long distances, allowing law enforcement officers to communicate with individuals at critical incidents or crowds in emergencies or during public gatherings. The LRAD may be used during natural disasters, crowd management, emergency situations, search and rescue operations, and traffic control operations.





Drone Update:

Council approved the use and storage of drones by the Police Department in April 2024. The Department is still in the process of creating a drone program and anticipates having the drone program operational by the end of 2025. The drone program will include training of personnel, the acceptable uses, creation of department policy, and storage of data and data sharing parameters. The total startup cost for the program is approximately \$87,000.

Kinetic Breaching Tool (KTB) Update:



Council approved the use and storage of the Kinetic Breaching Tool by the Police Department in April 2024. The total cost was \$12,695.00. The use of this breaching apparatus shall only be authorized by an Incident Commander or SRT Commander, based on the specific circumstances of a given critical incident. It may also be used by the SRT Team during SRT training exercises. It shall be used only by employees trained in its use, and in a manner consistent with Department policy and training.

Armored Rescue Vehicle Update:

Council approved the use and storage of an armored rescue vehicle by the Police Department in May 2023. The vehicle was acquired through a federal grant awarded to the Port of Redwood City. The Port reached a contract with Lenco, and the acquisition will take place in summer 2025. The Department is developing a policy related to the use of the vehicle and will present this policy as part of its 2025 annual military equipment report.



Conclusion

This Annual Military Equipment Use Report is intended to not only adhere to the law and Redwood City Police Department policy, but also demonstrate our commitment to transparency with the information provided to our community and elected officials. The equipment, resources, and training outlined in this report support the Redwood City Police Department's efforts to protect our community, and enhance the safety of the public and officers. Our police department firmly believes responsible use of the equipment outlined in this report enhances our ability to deliver the highest level of professional, efficient and effective service when faced with incidents requiring a thoughtful law enforcement response. Understanding law enforcement is a partnership between the police and community, we will continue to serve and do all we can to guard against harmful actions of a few individuals, providing our community with "Excellent Service with Integrity and Respect."