

# THE BEAUMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT



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# LETTER FROM CHIEF SINGLETARY



In a world with increasing tension around law enforcement, the Beaumont Police Department continues to appreciate the support of our community. In 2022, we felt the support of our city in big ways! As a department, we never take the trust of the citizens for granted. With the endorsement of our citizens and the excellence of our officers, it is a great season at the Beaumont Police Department.

As we look forward to the future, exciting things are on the horizon. Law enforcement is progressing and technology is at the forefront of these changes. We see the opportunity to utilize advancements in technology. One such possibility is the development of a real time crime center here in Beaumont. This would allow businesses and other facilities in Beaumont to opt-in to a citywide surveillance system. With the support of our new city manager, Kenneth R. Williams, we see a program like this serving our city in the years to come. Along with technological advancements, our department is focusing on other areas of improvement. Through creative approaches to recruiting, we are attempting to reach both new recruits and current officers to join the Beaumont Police Department.

Being a Police Chief in a city the size of Beaumont is a difficult job. I have been blessed to work with a fantastic group of Officers and Civilians. We have worked hard together, to provide the best service possible to our citizens. We are fortunate to have citizens in Beaumont that understand how difficult our task is and for the most part, support us. We will continue to find newer and better ways to serve our citizens in these difficult times. God bless you.

*James P. Singletary*  
**BEAUMONT CHIEF OF POLICE**

## OUR MISSION

Our mission is to serve our community with integrity, fairness and respect.

## OUR PLEDGE

We pledge to work in partnership with our community to improve the quality of life, to provide for the protection of life and property, to reduce the occurrence and fear of crime, and to tirelessly pursue those who violate the law. We pledge to serve our community with courtesy. We pledge to continue to develop and promote a diverse and professional workforce and to develop leaders for tomorrow in order to provide the highest quality public service.

## OUR CODE OF VALUES

We value integrity. It is the foundation of all we do, upon which public trust and confidence is built. We value accountability. We are accountable to the public, to the department, and to each other. We value respect. We respect our citizens and ourselves. We value fairness. The principle that all are equal under the law guides our exercise of authority.

# BUDGET OFFICE

The Beaumont Police Department commits to stewarding taxpayer dollars well. In 2022, through disciplined fiscal management, BPD provided year-round, 24/7 police services at a cost below the amount budgeted by city leaders.

In Fiscal Year 2023 (10/01/2022 - 09/30/2023), the budget for the police department is \$44,865,300. This comes out to 30.6% of the \$145,612,400 city budget. The BPD is the largest department in the city, with 260 sworn personnel and 66 full-time civilian employees.

Approximately 89.4% of the department budget is spent on personnel salaries and benefits. The budget is managed by Budget Manager, Lieutenant Kelvin Wilson.

## COMMAND STAFF



**CHIEF  
JAMES SINGLETARY**



**ASSISTANT CHIEF  
WAYNE JEFFCOAT**



**ASSISTANT CHIEF  
JASON PLUNKETT**



**CAPTAIN  
TIM OCNASCHEK**

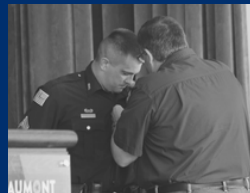


**CAPTAIN  
CHRIS SCHULDT**



**CAPTAIN  
ONAFRE TYLER**

## PROMOTIONS



1 Assistant Chief  
1 Captain  
2 Lieutenants  
3 Sergeants

# ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

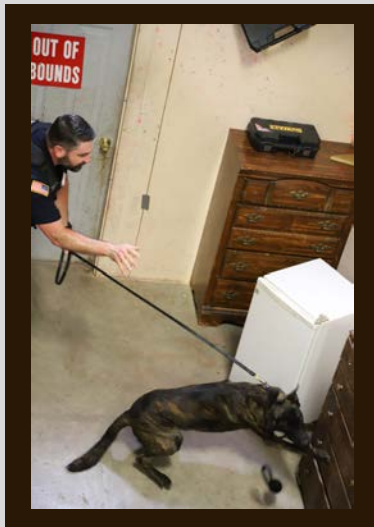
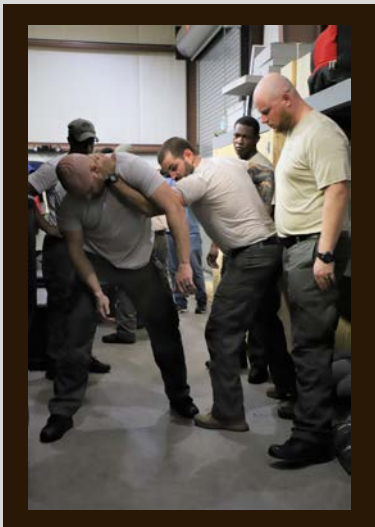
Captain Tim Ocnaschek oversees the Administrative Division as well as acting as the Emergency Management Coordinator for the City of Beaumont. This division has three lieutenants, five sergeants, six officers, and 57 civilians. The collateral units of SWAT, Hostage Negotiators, Special Response Team, Honor Guard / Rifle Team, and Peer Support also function under this division.

## PERSONNEL AND TRAINING

The Beaumont Police Department exceeds the minimum training requirements set forth by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. In 2022, officers attended 716 unique education courses accumulating 12,810 training hours.

In addition to professional officer development, the Training and Personnel Unit oversees the hiring and out-processing of sworn and non-sworn personnel. The unit guides candidates from application, through multiple testing requirements, hiring, and new hire orientation.

Finally, the Training and Personnel Unit oversees the use of the Firearms Range, departmental facilities, and the vehicle fleet.



TRAINING/PERSONNEL UNIT



# ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

## PERSONNEL AND TRAINING

### SWORN HIRES

Tyler Denman	Amanda Duvail	Zachary Moss
Dylan Pennington	Kenneth Bean	Nicholas Apple
Regginald Slaughter	Heath Holmes	Tyler Hardwick

At the Beaumont Police Department, **8%** of sworn employees work in the Administrative Division, **23%** work in the Criminal Investigations Division, and **69%** work in the Patrol Division.

### SWORN RETIREES

James Clay 36 years, 9 months	Stephen Williamson 20 years
Jeffery Skinner 35 years, 4 months	Kolin Burmaster 38 years, 9 months
Eddie Shehane 28 years, 6 months	Carol Mack 20 years

### CIVILIAN RETIREES

Dorothy Gray  
30 years, 1 month

### CIVILIAN HIRES

Katie Barras 911 Dispatch	Kylen Colfer 911 Dispatch	Lenzie Russell 911 Dispatch
Faith Boleware 911 Dispatch	Brenden Galloway 911 Dispatch	Karla Saucedo Records
Jace Boudreaux 911 Dispatch	Shirley Owens 911 Dispatch	Shadonna Sims 911 Dispatch

## HONOR GUARD

In 2022, the Honor Guard added three new members along with seeing one tenured member retire from the detail. The Honor Guard participated in **3** outside agency line-of-duty funerals, **1** local retiree funeral, and **2** BPD memorial ceremonies.



Photos from the 2022 Police Memorial

## INTERNAL AFFAIRS

This unit is made up of two sergeants who both answer directly to the Chief of Police. They are selected by the Chief of Police and investigate all formal complaints filed against Beaumont police officers: both internally and externally. Texas law specifies complaints against officers must be submitted in writing, and must be signed by the complainant. Additionally, the unit gathers and presents for review evidence in all incidents involving use of force, police vehicle accidents, and administrative inquiries.

# ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

## PROPERTY & EVIDENCE

Any evidence recovered in a criminal investigation is secured and preserved by this unit. The Property and Evidence unit also stores and disposes of property via court order. Additionally, they maintain all uniforms and accessories for the 260 sworn personnel.



Intake: 11,212 items  
Destroyed: 1,995  
Department Use: 1

Seized: 108  
Released: 640  
Auction: 0

Teleserve Reports	1,710
Protective Orders	218
Tresspass Affidavits	89
Open Records/Subpoenas	7,900
New Alarm Permits	654
Alarm Renewals	4,942

## RECORDS



The Records Unit processes, files and maintains police reports, and generates the monthly crime statistics filed with the Department of Justice. Additionally, the unit manages Teleserve reports, offense reports, case protective orders, and trespass affidavits. The unit also handles permits for commercial and residential burglar alarms, sets up new accounts, and processes false alarms. Finally, the unit processes all Freedom of Information (open records) requests.

## 911 DISPATCH CENTER

In 2022, the overall volume of phone calls handled dropped slightly, but the number of calls for service entered and dispatched rose by more than 10%.

<b>911 Calls</b>	<b>97,396</b>
<b>Non-Emergency Calls</b>	<b>231,113</b>
<b>Total Phone Calls</b>	<b>328,509</b>
<b>Total Calls for Service</b>	<b>149,079</b>



# ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION SWAT AND HOSTAGE NEGOTIATION

In 2022, the Beaumont Police Department's SWAT Team executed **46** high risk missions in main support of the narcotics unit. However, the SWAT Team also supported BPD's Persons and Special Crimes Units as well as federal partners like Homeland Security, the ATF, and the DEA.

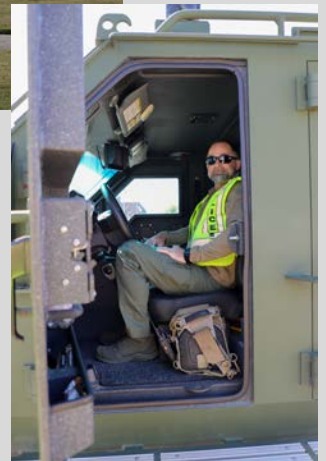
SWAT Team members conducted **280** hours of specialized tactical training as a team to include two full scale practical problems in conjunction with the Hostage Negotiation Team.



Members of the SWAT Team conducted a number of special events throughout the year including static displays to showcase equipment. SWAT also participated in BPD's Trunk or Treat.

Members of the BPD Hostage Negotiation Team (HNT) had mandatory training one day per month in 2022. Twice, HNT participated in joint scenarios/practical problems with SWAT.

The HNT prides itself in advanced training. This involves partnering with area agencies. In 2022, the HNT invited Liberty County DA's Office, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, and Pinehurst Police Department to participate in BPD training.



# ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

## EM: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



The BPD provides oversight to the City's Office of Emergency Management and Emergency Operations Center (EOC) under direction of Mayor Robin Mouton. EM coordinates response to major events, emergencies, and disasters.

### Community Outreach:

- Tours of the EOC.
- Briefing at Neighborhood Association Meetings.
- EM awareness training at Citizens Police Academy and Practicum in Policing.

### Planning

- Maintained state approved Emergency Operations Plan - including 22 primary annexes.
- 2022 Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan was accepted by FEMA and Texas Division of Emergency Management and awaits adoption from Beaumont City Council.

### Training and Exercise

- Participated in the Regional Emergency Notification exercise to test the system and encourage cell phone registration.
- Hosted virtual and in-person training courses for City and regional members. Approximately 800 students received more than 6800 hours of training.
- Developed EOC in-service training specific to Beaumont for personnel with assigned EOC roles during an incident.

### Response

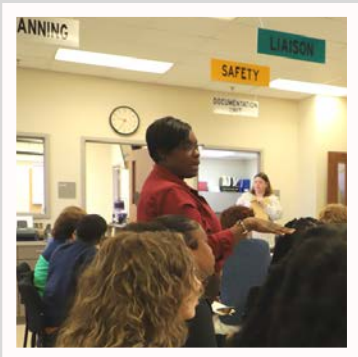
- The EOC remained activated to a Level III for ongoing Covid-19 response and recovery efforts.
- Several hazmat incidents and major events; including Mardi Gras, July 4th, and the new City of Beaumont Juneteenth event.

### Recovery

- Assisted the state with an update to finance/recovery training T600 course.
- Coordinated with FEMA and TDEM to facilitate the Public Assistance Program mitigation efforts and reimbursement for Harvey, Laura, Winter Storm Uri, and COVID.

### Finance

- Responsible for incident response billing for emergency responses involving hazmat and spills.
- Responsible for major event billing for major city events.
- Solicited a variety of grants for city infrastructure, projects, and resources.



# ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

## PCR: POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS



PCR continued to serve the community in many ways in 2022. One sergeant and four officers shared varied commitments and responsibilities while maintaining strong community and media contacts.

Officers Morrow and Riley planned and organized special events and continued to shine in educational appearances. Officers Valdez and Legendre offered presentations and training sessions, while also volunteering with other organizations. The unit also welcomed Sgt. Swope as supervisor over PCR in the later part of the year. He has already obtained additional pertinent training to benefit the PCR unit.

### Noteworthy:

- **4 Fun Days in the Park** - Sprott, Charlton Pollard, Perlstein, and Magnolia
- **Trunk or Treat** - 3,500 attendees
- **Weekly IEA Mentoring**
- **Gift of Life Pink Patrol Car** - 24 appearances and over \$10,000 raised
- **Neighborhood Associations** - researched and provided call statistics and safety updates to all neighborhood associations.



### 2023 Goals

- Explore new ways to communicate with the public
- Initiate more proactive interaction with media outlets
- Revamp Citizens in Action program - update vehicles, uniforms, etc.
- Educate student population - bullying, drug awareness, online safety, etc.



Scan for the mental health referral form



## PCR Activities and Programs

- City Council safety
- Neighborhood Associations
- Fun Days in the Park
- Santa in Blue
- McGruff appearances
- Trunk or Treat
- Police Memorial
- CAPP: Clergy and Police Partnership
- CPA: Citizens Police Academy
- CPA Alumni Association
- PIP: Practicum in Policing
- Explorers
- Police Community Advisory Committee
- Citizens In Action quarterly meetings
- Crime Stoppers meetings
- School presentations
- Community presentations
- Women's self defense
- Driving safety seminars
- Complaint and special attention follow-ups
- Museum tours
- IEA mentoring
- Coordinates ride-alongs
- Local Career Days
- Press releases and conferences
- Active shooter response training
- On-site safety assessments
- Gift of Life 5k & Pink Patrol Car
- Appearances at local festivals

## MENTAL HEALTH

In keeping with the needs of the community, BPD added the role of Mental Health Officer. In this role, Sgt. Cody Guedry has worked as a liaison with Spindletop MHMR. Moving forward, he aims to reduce mental health calls by identifying individuals involved in repeat law enforcement calls. He also plans to address the following:

- compile an updated list of local mental health resources
- making mental health resources available for SWAT callouts
- seek new training opportunities
- establish and revisit relationships with local mental health authorities



Calls coded Mental Subject: 663  
Mental Commitments: 586

# PATROL DIVISION

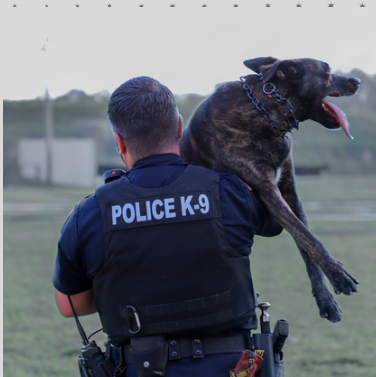
Captain Chris Schuldt oversees the Patrol Division. This division includes six lieutenants, 27 sergeants, 135 officers, and two civilians. K9, four Patrol Watches, Traffic, and the Special Assignments Unit make up this division.

The K-9 Unit currently has five K-9's and is staffed with one sergeant and four officers. We have four Belgian Malinois and one Dutch Shepherd, all of which are dual trained on narcotics and patrol work.

## K-9 UNIT



K-9 teams work seven days a week. The teams have overlapping shifts in efforts to provide maximum coverage. During normal shifts, the K-9 teams work directly with patrol officers by responding to all types of calls for service, and providing an additional level of safety for officers.



The K-9's track fleeing suspects and alert officers prior to making contact. They also conduct building searches for hidden suspects, keeping officers out of harm's way. When officers suspect narcotics are inside a vehicle, the K-9 is able to locate narcotic odor which provides probable cause for a search. This enables more narcotics to be seized and taken out of the community. During all high-risk incidents where K-9 teams have responded, no suspects have fled the scene. They have been taken into custody without incident, preventing injury to officers and suspects.



## K-9 CONT.

# PATROL DIVISION

The K-9 Unit is also tasked with responding to all SWAT call outs. K-9 clears buildings during high-risk entries and provides perimeter security on call outs and search warrants. In 2022, K9 Sugar was retired and K9 Loki was selected and assigned to Sgt. Lisenby. Sgt. Lisenby attended the K9 Handlers course and received certifications in narcotics and patrol.



## K-9 HIGHLIGHTS

- Answered 7,055 calls for service
- 87 Traffic contacts
- Responsible for 104 arrests
- Responded to 226 alarms
- Conducted 3,047 building checks
- Conducted 169 Narcotic searches with 57 finds
- Conducted 49 tracks or area searches for fleeing subjects, locating 13
- Conducted 33 building searches for suspects

## SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS UNIT (SAU)

The Special Assignments Unit both gathers and analyzes intelligence. The goal of this unit is to identify and respond to high-crime areas. Furthermore, they work towards pin-pointing crime patterns.

Calls for Service	Traffic Stops	Vehicle Crashes	Offense Reports	Arrests	Field Contacts	City Warrant Arrest Total	Citations Issued
1,449	921	3	130	497	92	\$152,406.66	304



# PATROL DIVISION

## FIRST WATCH



9:00pm-7:30am

## SECOND WATCH

6:00am-4:30pm



The four patrol shifts includes four shift lieutenants, 22 sergeants, 110 officers, and one Sergeant Field Training Coordinator. Each watch is further divided into three different zones in the city.

The four watches conduct proactive patrol and respond to calls for service throughout the City of Beaumont.

# PATROL DIVISION

## THIRD WATCH

11:00am-9:30pm



## FOURTH WATCH

4:00pm-2:30am



# PATROL DIVISION

## TRAFFIC UNIT

This unit enforces traffic laws, investigates all traffic related fatalities and follow-up investigations of hit and run crashes. The unit is responsible for wrecker and taxi inspections as well as parade permits. In 2022, the unit had **50** call outs - a **25%** increase. The unit also worked **16** fatality crashes - a **36%** decrease from 2021. The Traffic Unit responded to **87** special attention calls, issued **8,574** citations, inspected **270** commercial motor vehicles, provided **17** special escorts, and worked **1,271** state grant funded hours. Traffic also worked a record **43** special events in 2022 - up **25%** from the year prior. A pivotal part of the Santa in Blue gift program, the Traffic unit delivered gifts to a record **375** Beaumont children.

### Motorcycle Officers



### Traffic Officers



# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

Captain Onafre Tyler oversees the Criminal Investigations Division (CID). This division includes five lieutenants, nine sergeants, 41 officers, and 13 civilians. CID encompasses Auto Theft Task Force, Crimes Scene Unit (ID), Family Violence, Narcotics/VICE, Persons Crimes, Property Crimes (Burglary, Fraud, and Theft), and Special Crimes.

Violent Crime	Total	Clearance
Murder	18	13
Negligent Homicide	0	0
Rape	87	23
Robbery	259	65
Aggravated Assault	826	306
Property Crime		
Burglary	922	101
Theft	2,819	344
Auto Theft	350	91

## AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE

The Southeast Auto Theft Task Force recovered **76** stolen vehicles with a value of **\$1,497,230.00**. Task Force investigators also recovered equipment, weapons and other properties with a combined value of **\$711,757.00**. Overall, **\$2,208,987.00** in vehicles, equipment, weapons and other properties was recovered.



The Task Force investigators were assigned **2,342** cases which resulted in **111** arrests. Task Force personnel also conducted **882** VTR68(A) inspections (VIN verifications) which are part of the Vehicle Title and Registration process for vehicles and trailers. Many stolen vehicles and trailers were recovered during these inspections.

Task Force investigators also conducted a large-scale investigation involving a criminal gang responsible for the theft of over **60** vehicles. That case was accepted by the US Attorney's Office and is still currently being investigated, with at least **4** federal indictments thus far in the investigation.

# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

## CRIME SCENE UNIT (ID)

This unit is comprised of five highly trained civilian crime scene technicians. With the supervision of a sergeant, these civilians work alongside detectives to document, collect evidence, and aid in investigation of criminal offenses. This unit also houses the regional AFIS (Automated Fingerprint Information System) and NIBIN (National Integrated Ballistic Information Network) terminals.

Calls to the field: 4,000  
AFIS entries: 450  
NIBIN entries: 450



## FAMILY VIOLENCE

This unit investigates domestic violence cases. Detectives within this unit work with families to break the cycle of domestic abuse. Through working with various agencies like Family Services of Southeast Texas and Jefferson County Crime Victim's Assistance, they help victims and families develop strategies to escape and avoid abusive situations in the future. In 2022, the Family Violence unit was assigned and investigated **2,739** cases.



## NARCOTICS/VICE UNIT

Any violation or offense involving prostitution, gambling, or firearms is handled by this unit. The unit uses undercover buys of narcotics and surveillance to develop criminal cases.

Total search warrants: 105

Total currency seized: \$487,011.00

Knock and talks: 30

Guns seized: 114

Arrests: 253

Crack cocaine seized: 185.2 g

Cocaine seized 14.41 kg

Marijuana seized: 90.06 lb

Meth seized: 5.075 kg

Ecstasy seized: 66.65 g

# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

## PERSONS CRIMES UNIT

The Crimes Against Persons unit is responsible for investigating crimes against the individual. These crimes include harassment, terroristic threats, assault, aggravated assault, robbery, aggravated robbery, and homicides. The unit is also responsible for investigating all unattended and suspicious deaths. In 2022, there were **19** homicides in the city of Beaumont. Of the 19, **14** of these were investigated by the unit. The crimes unit works closely with other divisions, neighboring police agencies, and federal agencies. These close partnerships are essential in identifying prolific offenders, solving cases, and suppressing violent crime in Beaumont.



## PROPERTY CRIMES UNIT

This unit is tasked with investigating thefts, acts of vandalism, burglary, and financial crimes (fraud, credit card abuse, identity theft). In 2022, Property Crimes was assigned **2,550** cases. They cleared **797** cases, which led to **534** cases filed for arrest and **\$1,046,495** worth of stolen property and currency recovered.

## SPECIAL CRIMES UNIT

This unit investigates all crimes committed against and by juveniles aged 16 and under. These detectives also investigate all sex crimes involving both juveniles and adults. In 2022, the unit hired a civilian sex offender registrar who is now responsible for the registration and compliance of **740** sex offenders in the Beaumont area. The unit partners with many local agencies including the Garth House, Southeast Texas Alliance Against Trafficking, Harvest House, Child Protective Services, and other local law enforcement.



# Fun Days in the Park



With the goal of connecting to individual communities within the city, the BPD hosted four Fun Days in the Park in 2022. On Sunday afternoons during the summer, our officers and civilians set up games and activities in parks throughout Beaumont. This program is one of the best ways to show young children that the BPD cares.





# Trunk or Treat



BPD's Trunk or Treat is the largest Cops & Kids event of the year. 2022 saw the highest attendance of BPD's Trunk or Treat on record, at around 3,500 guests! Attendees visited booths run by K9, SWAT, Traffic, 911 Dispatch, and many more BPD units! Outside participants included IEA (Inspire, Encourage, Achieve), Beaumont Fire, BISDPD, Beaumont Emergency Hospital.



In May, the Beaumont Police Department held its annual Police Memorial Ceremony for fallen officers. However, after the discovery of two previously unknown BPD fallen officers, a special memorial ceremony was held in September.



## Police Memorial and Special Memorial

Officers. Ofc. George Frederick (EOW: 05/07/1902) and Ofc. James A. Gaines (EOW: 03/15/1917) were added to the police memorial, assuring that their sacrifice will forever be remembered. The discovery of Ofc. Frederick's story marks him as the first known black Beaumont Police Officer. Officer Frederick was born in 1860 during the time of slavery, and rose to become a Police Officer.



## Santa in Blue







## Leadership Beaumont



## Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association

## PID: Practicum in Policing In partnership with Lamar University



**SWAT School  
for law enforcement from  
outside area agencies.**





**Martin Elementary School**



**Lucas Elementary School**



**Marshall Middle School Leadership Group**



**Bob Hope School Jazz Ensemble**

BPD strives to make positive connections with the next generation of Southeast Texas.



**Regina Howell Elementary**



Buddy Walk 2022



Indiafest 2022



2022



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