

Body-worn cameras



Transparency



Accountability



Evidence
Collection

In late 2015, we asked you to take a survey about body worn cameras. Thank you for participating! We are going to use the information from the survey:

- *To help us decide what our policies will say
- *To build our community education program



Stay tuned to see & comment on a draft of the policy and to see our community education program

2015 SURVEY RESULTS 2,235 RESPONSES

What do you think about body-worn cameras for law enforcement in Colorado Springs?



support a body-worn camera program for CSPD



think the cameras will show CSPD officers usually handle the public appropriately



think the program is a good use of tax dollars



think CSPD officers treat citizens fairly and show respect for citizens

What other information do you want us to consider in implementing this program?



You want us to carefully balance the public's right to know about police actions with people's privacy

In what situations will you release video?

If I'm in the video, will you tell me if you are going to release it?



You want to be sure:

- *We explain to the public when the cameras are going to be on or off
- *No one can tamper with the footage
- *The footage is stored for the right amount of time
- *We have taken into account sensitive situations, like victims of sexual assault or situations involving children

Limitations of Body Worn Cameras

After looking at the survey results, we think it is even more important for us to let the community know Body Worn Cameras have limitations and aren't going to give all the information in any given situation. They can't take the place of a thorough investigation.

To put it simply: Watching a video is not exactly the same as being there in person.

- *The camera only records in 2-D
- *The camera does not follow the wearers' eyes nor does it see as they see
- *Camera speed is not the speed of real life
- *Cameras may "see" differently than the human eye in low light
- *There are important danger cues that might not come through on a recording.