

Annual Use Report
Santa Clara County District Attorney's Crime
Laboratory
Security Cameras
January 15, 2019 - August 31, 2019

1. Description of How the Technology Was Used

The Crime Laboratory's security cameras were used to capture video images of the facility perimeter, lobby, and areas within the building, including specific rooms where evidence and firearms are stored.

2. Data Sharing with Outside Entities

In the reporting period, a short (2 minute, 17 second) video excerpt and single still frame of one civilian gentleman who approached the evidence intake area to report a possible crime, was shared with members of the District Attorney's Bureau of Investigation (BOI) for the purpose of identification and to evaluate any possible threat to Crime Laboratory employees.

3. Community Complaints or Concerns about the Technology

The Crime Laboratory received no formal complaint or expression of concern about the technology in the reporting period.

4. Audits/Policy Violations

There were no non-privileged internal audits or violation of the use policy in the reporting period.

5. Effectiveness of Achieving Identified Purpose

There were no Crime Laboratory facility breaches in the reporting period. The short video excerpt and single still frame mentioned in Section 2 above did help the BOI identify the individual in question. The Crime Laboratory expects to get a security camera upgrade in the near future.

6. Public Records Act Requests

No California PRAs pertaining to the Crime Laboratory's security cameras were submitted in the reporting period.

7. Costs Incurred from January 15, 2019 – August 31, 2019

Apart from the electricity to power them, there was no cost associated with the use of the Crime Laboratory's security cameras in the reporting period.