

Assembly Bill 481 (AB 481)



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UC POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2025 OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT

University of California Police Department Policy “Military Equipment” requires an annual report to be submitted to the Regents on an annual basis and posted on the police department website for as long as the equipment is in use.

Annual Report

Upon approval of a military equipment policy, the Chief of Police or the authorized designee should submit a military equipment report to the governing body of each type of military equipment approved within one year of approval and annually thereafter for as long as the military equipment is available for use (Government Code § 7072).

The Chief of Police or the authorized designee should also make each annual military equipment report publicly available on the Department website for as long as the military equipment is available for use. The report shall include all information required for the preceding calendar year for each type of military equipment in the Department inventory (Government Code § 7072).

The annual military equipment report shall, at a minimum, include the following information for the immediately preceding calendar year for each type of military equipment:

- (a) A summary of how the military equipment was used and the purpose of its use.*
- (b) A summary of any complaints or concerns received concerning military equipment.*
- (c) The results of any internal audits, any information about violations of the military equipment use policy, and any actions taken in response.*
- (d) The total annual cost of 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.*
- (e) The quantity possessed for each type of military equipment.*
- (f) If the law enforcement agency intends to acquire additional military equipment in the next year, the quantity sought for each type of military equipment.*

A. How Used and Purpose of Use

All campuses train annually on their equipment which requires the use of ammunition where applicable. The following campuses deployed equipment in a non-training setting:

- UC Davis (UCD) deployed drones 11 times for patrol and special events.
- UC Los Angeles (UCLA) deployed the following:
 - Approximately 240 PepperBall Pava Powder projectiles were used during an incident involving an aggressive crowd. None of these rounds were aimed at individuals and there were no reports of these rounds directly impacting any person.
 - The Long Range Acoustic Device (LRAD) equipment for crowd management was used approximately 71 times during incidents.
 - One Def-Tec 40mm eXact Impact Munition Model #6325 was used during an arrest when a suspect put their hand near a police officer's firearm.
- UC Santa Cruz (UCSC) used the LRAD equipment for crowd management.

B. Complaints or Concerns

UC Berkeley (UCB), UCD, UC Merced (UCM), UC San Diego (UCSD), UC San Francisco (UCSF), UC Santa Barbara (UCSB), and UCSC Police Departments received no complaints or concerns during the fiscal year regarding the purchase or use of military equipment or the military equipment policy.

UC Irvine (UCI) received one complaint after the publication of last year's annual report, following the public AB 481 meeting held on August 28, 2024. The 2024 annual report was subsequently updated to include the complaint.

UCLA received three complaints related to incidents involving the use of AB 481 equipment. UCLA was not the agency that deployed the equipment in those incidents.

UC Riverside (UCR) received several complaints from community members related to its AB 481 inventory during its annual public meeting. The complaints centered around the possession of military equipment, not a particular item in its inventory or deployment.

C. Internal Audits

All campuses conducted audits of their military equipment and there were no violations of the policy found.

D. Total Costs and Funding Source – Fiscal Year 2025-2026

UCD, UCM, UCR, UCSF, UCSB and UCSC did not purchase any new military equipment during this fiscal year.

The chart below details purchases made by campuses.

Campus	Purchased	Amount
UC Berkeley	Winchester Ammo Remington .223	\$4,470.00
	Hornady 80625 Ammo Remington .223	\$1,422.00
UC Irvine	Ammo	\$7,576.12
UCLA	(2) PepperBall VK-SBL Pro launchers	\$2,762.00
	(5) 375 PepperBall Live-X Pava Powder Projectiles	\$1,244.00
	(50) 20 PepperBall YXR Live-X Pava Powder Projectiles	\$4,360.00
UC San Diego	(3) Def-Tec 40mm launchers	\$5,190.00

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E. Quantity**AB 481 Military Equipment Inventory**

Categories and Descriptions	UCB	UCD	UCI	UCLA	UCM	UCR	UCSD	UCSF	UCSB	UCSC	Total
Category 1 - Unmanned, remote Piloted, Powered Aerial or Ground Vehicles											
Remotec Andros F6A Robot	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (drone)	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (drone)	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Category 10 - Specialized firearms and ammunition of less than .50 caliber, including assault weapons as defined in Sections 30510 and 30515 of the Penal Code, with the exception of 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 a state agency											
Sig-Sauer MCX 5.56 Short Barrel Rifle (SBR) Patrol Rifle			20								20
Sig Sauer M400	12								12		24
Colt Carbine (LE 6721)								49			49
Colt Carbine (LE 6940)					5**				7		12
Colt Carbine (LE 6943)								5			5
Colt M4 Model (LE6933)	12	20									32
Colt Carbine (LE 6920)					15**	10		5	5		40
Colt Enhanced Patrol Rifle EPR (16")				22				10			32
Colt M4 Carbine 5.56 Patrol Rifle						7	1			23	31
Windham AR-15 .223, WW-15 (simmunition training only)										2	2
Ruger AR 5.56 Patrol Rifle (Model 08500)							50				50
Hornady #80625 .223 Remington	2,000				500						2,500
Hornady 5.56 TAP Rifle Rounds 75gr HP					9,600						9,600
LMT AR 5.56 Patrol Rifle							10				10
Speer LE Centerfire .223 Rem 62 Grain Ammunition							5,500				5,500
Speer Gold Dot .223 Ammunition (Duty)									6,000		6,000
Federal American Eagle .223 Ammunition (Training)									21,500*		21,500
Winchester Ammo (Remington .223)	3,000										3,000
Winchester Ammo (Remington .223) (Duty 64 grain bonded Hollow Point)								53,000			53,000
Winchester Ammo (Remington .223) (Range 55 grain Full Metal Jacket)								54,000			54,000
Winchester Ammo (Remington .223) Frangible				10,000							10,000
Winchester.556 Rifle Rounds (Duty 64 grain bonded Hollow Point)			4,000	13,500		3,000				4,000	24,500
Winchester.556 Rifle Rounds (Range 55 grain Full Metal Jacket)		5,000	12,000	16,000		12,000				9,000	54,000
Winchester.556 Rifle Rounds (Range 55 grain Full Metal Jacket)							5,000				
Category 11 - Noise-Flash Diversionary Devices and Explosive Breaching Tools											
Def-Tec Multi-part Plus II Distraction Device Model #8922	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	10
Category 12 - Munitions Containing Tear Gas or OC Excluding Standard Service Issued Hand-Held Pepper Spray											
FN Herstal 303-5 18mm Rounds (PAVA/OC)	300	0	150	0	0	0	105	1350	0	0	1905
Def-Tec 40mm Direct Impact Munition Model #6320 (OC)	5	0	0	41	0	0	5	4	0	0	55
Def-Tec 40mm Direct Impact Munition Model #6322 (CS)	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	18	0	0	28
FTC PAVA Capsaicin Rounds	0	0	0	1600	0	0	750	0	0	0	2350
Def-Tec MK-9 Pepper Spray (OC) Canisters, Model #5099	8	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
FTC PAVA Capsaicin Rounds	0	0	0	3000	0	0	0	0	0	0	3000
Category 13 - Taser Shockwave, Microwave Weapons, Water Cannons, and Long Range Acoustic Devices											
Long Range Acoustic Device (LRAD)	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	11
Long Range Acoustic Device (LRAD)			1								1
Category 14 - Kinetic Energy Weapons and Munitions											
FN Herstal 303 Launcher	4	1	1	0	1	5	1	4	1	1	19
FN Herstal 303-3 18mm Rounds (Washable Paint)	150	285	0	0	0	200	105	1350	0	200	2290
Def-Tec/LMT 40mm Launcher (Models #1327, #1425, #1426, #1460R)	0	5	18	18	6	7	12	14	15	11	106
Def-Tec 40mm eXact Impact Munition Model #6320	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Def-Tec 40mm eXact Impact Munition Model #6325	100	141	165	300	0	80	93	172	175	55	1281
Def-Tec 40mm Bean Bag Round Model #6025	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	22
Def-Tec 40mm Training Munition	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	75
FTC Pepper ball Rifle	0	0	0	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	6
PepperBall VK-SBL launcher	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
PepperBall Live-X Pava Powder Projectiles (375 count)	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
PepperBall YXR Live-X Pava Powder Projectiles (50 count)	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
PepperBall VK-SBL launcher	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
PepperBall Live-X Pava Powder Projectiles	0	0	1000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1000
PepperBall YXR Live-X Pava Powder Projectiles	0	0	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500
Penn Arms 40mm L640-3 Launcher	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Penn Arms 40mm L140-3 Launcher	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
CTS 4557 40mm Sponge Round Spin Stabilized Direct Impact	600	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	600
CTS 4557-01 Inserts 40mm Sponge Reload	600	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	600
FN Herstal 303 Launcher	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Def-Tec 40mm eXact Impact Munition Model #6325	0	0	35	100	0	0	0	0	150	0	285
Def-Tec/LMT 40mm Launcher (Models #1327, #1425, #1426, #1460R)	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	10	7	0	22
PepperBall VK-SBL launcher	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
FN Herstal 303 Launcher	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Def-Tec 40mm eXact Impact Munition Model #6324	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Def-Tec 40mm eXact Impact Launcher Model #6324	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
* UCSB corrected inventory amount from 2024											
**UCM corrected model number of rifles, total quantity has not changed											
<div> <div>Legend</div> <div> <div>Black Ink</div> <div>Current Inventory</div> </div> <div> <div>Red Ink</div> <div>Request for approval for new equipment</div> </div> <div> <div>Blue Ink</div> <div>Requests to add additional equipment to existing inventory</div> </div> <div> <div>Green Ink</div> <div>Removed from inventory</div> </div> <div> <div>Purple Ink</div> <div>Pending delivery from manufacturer</div> </div> </div>											

Inventory Corrections

- UCSB corrected previously reported inventory count of munitions from 19,500 to 21,500.
- UCM corrected previously reported rifles with the correct model number. The total count has not changed.

F. Request for New Military Equipment

UCB, UCD, UCM, UCR, and UCSC do not request new equipment. UCI, UCLA, UCSB, UCSD, UCSF are requesting the following inventory:

Request For Category 1 - Unmanned, Remotely Piloted, Powered Aerial Or Ground Vehicles—The Use Of Drones By University Of California Police Departments

UCSD is requesting to purchase two (2) unmanned aerial vehicles/systems (drones) to assist with patrol operations and special event safety. UCB, UCLA, UCSC and UCSF previously requested to purchase drones and are working on a systemwide purchase contract for the best pricing.

UCB continues to research robot platforms from the 2024 request.

Request For Category 10 – Specialized firearms and ammunition of less than .50 caliber, including assault weapons or greater, excluding standard-issue shotguns and standard-issue shotgun ammunition

UCSD is requesting to purchase 5,000 rounds of 5.56 patrol rifle ammunition at a cost of approximately \$3,300.00 to replenish rounds used during training.

Requests For Category 13 – Taser Shockwave, Microwave Weapons, Water Cannons, and Long Range Acoustic Devices

UCI is requesting to purchase an additional Long Range Acoustic Device to provide evacuation and dispersal directions at more than one location (UCI Campus and UCI Medical Centers).

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Requests For Category 14 – Kinetic Energy Weapons And Munitions

UCI is requesting to replenish (35) Def-Tec 40mm eXact iMpacT Munition for SRT members. In addition, requesting to purchase the following new equipment:

Type: PepperBall VK-SBL

Quantity: 5

Cost: Approximately \$1,481 each

Lifespan: No lifespan indicated by the manufacturer. Lifespan varies on operational usage and wear.

Capability: Can fire munitions with a maximum effective range of one hundred fifty (150) feet.

Manufacturer Description: The VK-SBL offers all the features of the VKS PRO™ in a lighter and smaller form factor. Able to deploy both .68 caliber round or long-range VXR™ projectiles, the VK-SBL has a shorter barrel, a 7-inch handguard, and a reflex sight. The VK-SBL easily adapts to different roles and situations, from routine patrols to specialized operations, while maintaining accuracy and control



Type: PepperBall PAVA Projectiles

Quantity: 1,000 rounds

Cost: Approximately \$1,000

Lifespan: Three years

Capability: Can fire munitions with a maximum effective range of one hundred fifty (150) feet.

Manufacturer Description: A powerful concentration of 5% PAVA powder. Excellent for direct impact, area saturation and crowd control approximately 150 feet.



Type: PepperBall Paint Marking Projectiles

Quantity: 500

Cost: Approximately \$2,200

Lifespan: Three years

Manufacturer Description: The VXR™ Marking™ projectile contains a paint solution that can be used to mark suspects for later apprehension and/or marking doors, openings, or objects for identification.



UCLA is requesting to increase existing inventory by the following amounts:

- Def-Tec 40mm eXact iMPact Munition Model #6325 by 100 rounds.
- Def-Tec/LMT 40mm Launcher by 5
- PepperBall VK-SBL Launcher by 4

UCM is waiting for delivery of previously requested and purchased equipment. Delivery is anticipated in 2025.

- Def-Tec 40mm launchers by 5
- Def-Tec Model #6324 eXact iMPact 40mm Sponge Round by 100

UCSB is requesting to increase existing inventory used during annual training:

- Def-Tec 40mm eXact iMPact Munition Model #6325 by 150

EXPIRED EQUIPMENT

All expired equipment will be stored out of use until safe disposal can be arranged.

UCSB has the following inventory that has reached the manufacturers expiration date. These items will be replaced with exact models using department funds. **Note:** Inventory will be reduced by one (1).

- Def-Tec 40mm Launcher Model #1625 by 7

UCSF has the following inventory that has reached the manufacturers expiration date. Some items will be replaced with exact models using department funds.

Replaced using department funds

- Def-Tec 40mm Direct Impact Munition Model #6320 (OC) by 4
- Def-Tec 40mm Direct Impact Munition Model #6322 (CS) by 18
- Def-Tec Multi-port Plus II Distraction Device Model #8922 by 10

Will not be replaced

- Def-Tec MK-9 Pepper Spray (OC) Model #5099 by 4

TRANSFER OF INVENTORY

UCLA will no longer use the FN Herstal 303 launcher and will transfer its existing inventory of one (1) to UCR. There is no cost associated with the transfer, and UCR currently utilizes the platform.