

# Bethlehem Police Department



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Annual Report

Town of Bethlehem, New York

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



I am honored to provide the 2013 department annual report for your review. This report contains information on trends in our community as well as the department's proactive approach to crime and information on department operations, and responsibilities.

Our priorities include community participation and activism, assisting youths and families at risk, professional training to assure that we have the most capable, effective, efficient and compassionate personnel along with strong uncompromising enforcement of the laws, which is administered fairly and consistently.

Our members are the finest trained, professionals, which I have had the pleasure of working with and commanding. My heartfelt thanks to them for the job they do each and every day in their service to the Town of Bethlehem.

We look forward to 2014 and the many challenges that will undoubtedly face the department and Town. As budget considerations are at the forefront of business decisions our goals remain the same, to provide the best possible public safety services to our community in a responsible, accountable and cost effective manner.

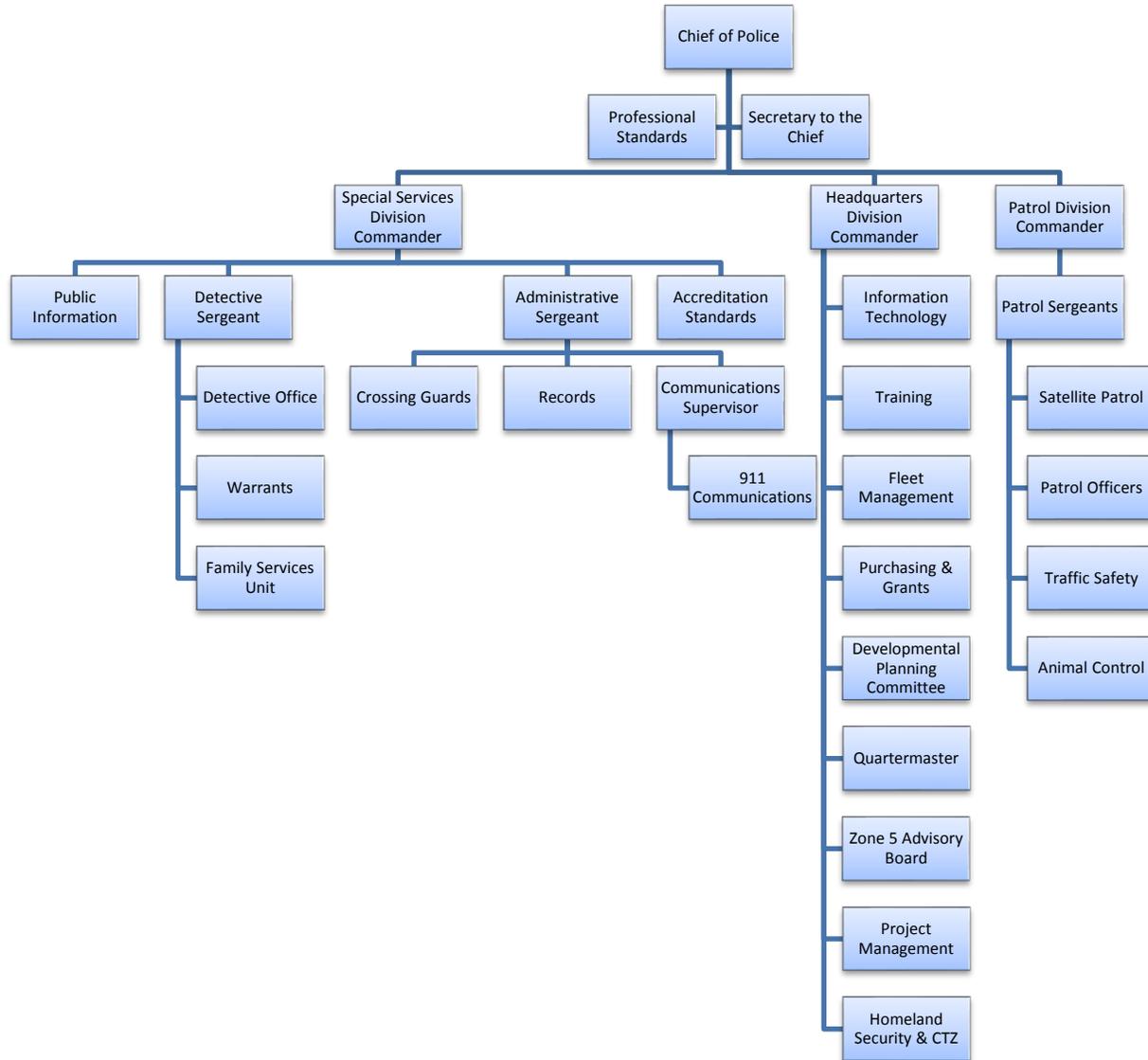
I welcome your comments and suggestions and hope that you find this report informative.

Respectfully,

*Louis G. Corsi*

Chief of Police

# ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



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# ADMINISTRATION

## TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Police Department



### **Louis G. Corsi** *Chief of Police*

Louis G. Corsi is the Chief of Police of the Bethlehem Police Department. He is a thirty- four year veteran of law enforcement with a degree in Criminal Justice and has held the positions of Patrol Officer, Patrol Sergeant, Lieutenant and Deputy Chief before being appointed to the position of Chief in 2003.

Chief Corsi is an active member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the New York State Association of Chiefs of Police, Northeastern Chiefs Conference where he serves as president and the F.B.I. Law Enforcement Executive Development Association.

The Chief is a member of the Advisory Board at the Glenmont Job Corps Center, a member of the Albany County Traffic Safety Board and an Executive Board member for the Zone Five Regional Law Enforcement Training Center where he also serves as President on the Board of Directors. Appointed by Governor Pataki and then reappointed by Governor Paterson, the Chief held a seat on the New York State Accreditation Council as the representative of the New York State Chiefs Association. He is a strong proponent of police professionalism and continuing education and training.

The police department has assumed a leadership role in the development and implementation of the E-911 countywide emergency communications systems and serves as one of the five primary PSAPs (Public Safety Answering Points) within the county. The department was the first to provide an interactive computer aided dispatch (CAD) and records management system in the county and continues to work closely with federal, state and local agencies to develop new computer applications which will further ensure the delivery of efficient and effective public safety services.

The department is committed to family services and has received statewide recognition for its innovative pro-active programs designed to educate, inform and protect parents and children and to deal with those special types of problems unique to family life and raising children. The police department is a charter member of the Albany County Coalition against Domestic Abuse and

actively participates in enforcement, legislation and protection with regards to victims of domestic violence.

Traffic safety is a priority of the department and members have received national, state and local recognition for their accomplishments. The department has received several grants to further traffic safety efforts in the Town of Bethlehem and has accident investigation and reconstruction specialists on staff to determine cause, assist in prosecutions and to determine priorities in our prevention programs. The Division of Criminal Justice Services, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee have honored the department for its contributions to traffic safety.

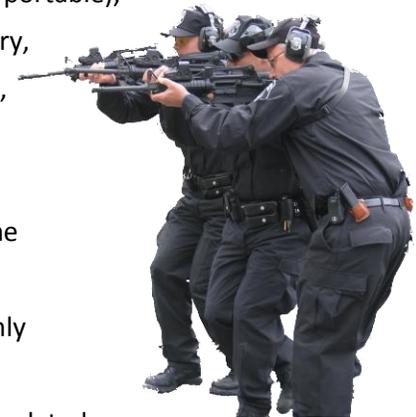
The town has provided state of the art investigational equipment to our detectives including a laser fingerprint device for identifying latent prints, audio and video surveillance equipment, high-resolution photographic capabilities and other technical material used in support of criminal investigations. We have learned that DNA is the fingerprint of the future and have trained our investigators in collecting and identifying DNA evidence, while providing state of the art equipment to accomplish this task. The availability of these types of resources to the investigators provides for increased efficiency and effectiveness and has often led to the identification, apprehension, prosecution and conviction of suspects.

## SPECIAL SERVICES DIVISION / HEADQUARTERS DIVISION

Lieutenant Thomas M. Heffernan, Jr. commands the Special Services and Headquarters Divisions. Lieutenant Heffernan began his law enforcement career in 1990 serving as a patrol officer, patrol sergeant and patrol commander over the years. He holds a degree in criminal justice and is responsible for the Detective Office, Family Services Unit, public safety communications, E-911 emergency phone system, computer aided dispatch, police hard copy and electronic records, federal and state record reporting, New York State Sex Offender Registry, Freedom of Information Requests and pistol and explosives licensing. He works closely with local police agencies, fire departments and emergency medical services to assure that responses are coordinated through the communications center so that there is an immediate response to an emergency or other medical service. Sergeant Robert J. Helligrass, Sr. is second in command of the division and in charge of the records section.



The responsibilities of the Headquarters Division include all aspects of departmental training, management of grants, purchasing, overseeing the operation and maintenance of all radio equipment (fixed, mobile and portable), police computer systems (fixed, mobile and portable), Project management, Quartermaster (uniforms and equipment), Inventory, fleet management, crime analysis and statistical research, Annual Report, planning and research. Additionally, Headquarters represents the police department on the town's Developmental Planning Committee. The Development Planning Committee (DPC) consists of representatives of the various Town departments that are involved in facilitating or servicing development projects in Town. The DPC holds regularly scheduled monthly meetings during which prospective developers can present development concepts and receive feedback from the Town on a host of development related issues. The DPC facilitates early communication between the Town and developers during the project concept phase with regard to a variety of issues.



## TRAINING

Headquarters is responsible for all departmental training and the maintenance of required certifications. The Division schedules personnel to attend training and sets up in-house programs that we sponsor for law enforcement agencies throughout upstate New York. The Bethlehem Police Department is known statewide for its commitment to law enforcement training and we view the education of our personnel as a very high priority. Although there is an effect on available manpower when personnel are assigned for training, there are certifications that must be maintained regularly.

Some examples include:

- First Aid-CPR, Automatic External Defibrillators
- Firearms Certification (twice a year)
- Rapid Response to an Active Shooter
- Use of Force/Defensive Tactics
- Domestic Violence
- Hazardous Materials/Incident Response
- Blood Borne Pathogens-HIV/AIDS-Hepatitis Risk Avoidance



Other training courses sponsored by the Bethlehem Police Department include:

Standardized Field Sobriety Testing

School Resource Officer

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement

TASER

Street Survival

Basic Course-Telecommunicators

Drug Abuse Resistance Education

Federal and State requirements for training are ever increasing and the burden for this training is placed directly on each municipality due to budget cuts. We are very fortunate to have outstanding personnel who are certified trainers so that we may meet and exceed minimum training guidelines. The unfortunate effect of these requirements is the reduction in the number of officers available to respond to calls for service.

The concept of regionalism is clearly demonstrated by our participation in the Zone 5 Regional Law Enforcement Training Academy, which coordinates all state certified training in ten counties. Chief Corsi



serves on the Board of Directors as President. This cooperative effort saves money for every municipality in the zone which participates and provides consistent, quality and professional training.

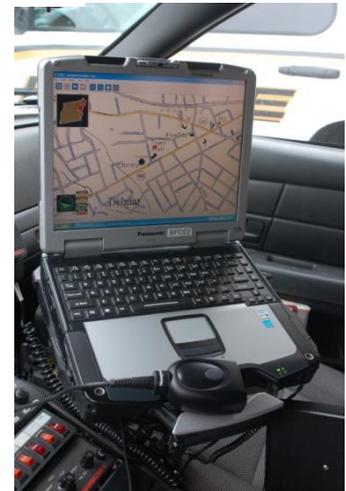
## FLEET MANAGEMENT

The Headquarters Division is responsible for the police department fleet of vehicles, consisting of marked and unmarked patrol cars, unmarked administrative /command / detective cars and specialty vehicles. (Field Operations Unit, DARE car and Animal Control vehicle). The goal of fleet management is to provide the necessary transportation for the delivery of services to the people of the Town at the best possible price. We are fortunate to have the Town Highway Department maintaining these vehicles and keeping them in safe operating condition. They do an excellent job at a reasonable cost. Through the management of fleet operations, substantial savings were found in the cost of replacing police vehicles.



## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Headquarters is also responsible for servicing and supporting the I.T. needs of the police department. Currently the department has a mobile computer fleet consisting of fourteen mobile data terminals or MDTs. Each MDT is a ruggedized Panasonic Toughbook with several peripherals to include a printer, barcode scanner, GPS antenna, and GOBI cell connectivity. The predominant software used in patrol cars is TraCS (Traffic and Criminal Software) which allows for electronic tickets and accident reports to be issued. Electronic tickets and accident reports have greatly increased the efficiency of the department by reducing paper work and time consuming data entry tasks.





Each traffic unit has a DVM or Digital Video Mirror (left) that digitally records video and audio anytime the emergency lights are activated. The vehicle data modems allow for the officer to receive information about suspects, and vehicles, directly to their MDT rather than having to rely on a dispatcher to relay information to them over the radio.



Additional technology in the fleet is two License Plate Readers or LPRs (left). The LPR system is a tool that the traffic enforcement officers use to investigate and locate more serious infractions of the NYS Vehicle and Traffic Law such as, suspended drivers and suspended vehicle registrations. Since the implementation of the LPR system, Vehicle & Traffic Law misdemeanor summons have increased.

The police department also uses technology inside the station, including the arrest booking process. Fingerprints are no longer done on print cards, but via a laser fingerprinting system that captures the fingerprints and instantly digitizes them for transmission to NYS DCJS and the FBI. Photographs are also done digitally and transmitted along with the fingerprints allowing for rapid confirmation of a suspect's identity and more efficient data flow both ways between the department, DCJS and the FBI.



Evidence integrity is a major consideration of any criminal investigation. That is why the Bethlehem Police Department's Detectives Division employs evidence barcode tags. All evidence taken in by the Detectives is tagged with a computer generated barcode label containing pertinent case information and

automatically logged into evidence. A handheld barcode scanner is then used to track the evidence through its life cycle in the department's evidence lockers ensuring that a proper chain of custody is always maintained. The scanner has also increased the efficiency of the Detective Division by greatly decreasing the number of man hours required to conduct evidence inventories.



The Headquarters Division also maintains a cellular network connecting the patrol cars to both internal and external law enforcement databases. This is accomplished using a VPN or Virtual Private Network that allows for the fast, secure, and uninterrupted exchange of data between patrol vehicles and the police station. Police officers can now access law enforcement records on the road as well as transmit completed accident reports and tickets to the station. This gives our officers the critical information they need at their fingertips and allows the officers to spend more time on patrol and less time in the station.



## **DETECTIVE OFFICE**

The Detective Office consists of three detectives under the immediate direction of Detective Sergeant Adam Hornick. Their duties include the investigation of all major offenses and unattended deaths. They conduct extensive background investigations of applicants for employment and are responsible for the security, storage, accountability and disposition of all evidence and property coming in to the possession of the police department. The Detectives Office works closely with the Albany County District Attorney's Office, as well as with the victims of crime. They work cases with investigators from other law enforcement agencies including local police, state and federal authorities. They assist patrol officers in investigations and arrests and ensure continuity in the chain of evidence necessary for the successful prosecution of a criminal case.

## **FAMILY SERVICES UNIT**

The Family Services Unit (FSU) consists of three Detectives, two School Resource Officers and a D.A.R.E. Officer, under the immediate direction of Detective Sergeant Adam Hornick. Members of the FSU are specially trained and state certified experts in dealing with adolescent behaviors and problems. They are New York State certified Police Juvenile Officers, School Resource Officers and members of the State of New York Police Juvenile Officers Association. All FSU members are assigned to specific schools within the Town of Bethlehem in conjunction with their necessary duties. These assignments assist in creating a relationship that helps with the investigations they are assigned. They visit all elementary, middle and high schools in the Bethlehem School District and A.W. Becker Elementary School in the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School District as well as St. Thomas the Apostle Parochial School.

The FSU has an expanded role in the way that the department interacts with families at risk. Not only is the unit responsible for all investigations where the suspect is less than sixteen years of age, but is also directly involved in other family matters, such as: Domestic violence follow-up, sex offender notifications / management, Elder abuse, child sexual exploitation and abuse both physical and sexual, and provides a number of child safety presentations throughout the town.

The primary focus of the Unit is threefold:

Investigations – Members of the FSU conduct a wide range of investigations. Some of the more common complaints investigated are: Criminal mischief, graffiti, drug sales, drug possession and sexual

assaults. Additionally, the FSU conducts “sting” operations to prevent the sale of alcoholic beverages or tobacco products to underage persons.

Prevention - Crime prevention efforts are provided to make individuals, businesses, neighborhoods and certain vulnerable persons more aware of how to protect themselves from becoming the victim of a crime.

Education - Educational and informational programs are conducted throughout the year. Presentations such as internet safety, young adult legal rights, elder concerns, home alone and bicycle / walking safety are some examples.

The FSU works closely with the Albany County Family Court, Albany County Attorney’s Office, Albany County District Attorney’s Office, Albany County Probation Department, Albany County Office of Children and Family Services as well as a variety of other social agencies. The members are sensitive to family dynamics and attempt to bring together all of the resources necessary to help a child or family in crisis. Additionally, the establishment of the Bethlehem Youth Court has provided another avenue for the disposition of non-violent offenses. The involvement of students as prosecutors, judge, jury and defense representatives has had a meaningful impact on all of those who participate as well as the offender, who is judged by his/her peers.

## **SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM**

The School Resource Officer (SRO) Program was initiated in January of 1996 with the approval and cooperation of the Bethlehem Town Board and the Bethlehem Central School District. This pilot program was completed at the end of the school year and upon review, all agreed to continue the program full time. The program continues today and is recognized statewide as one of the most successful youth violence prevention programs between a municipality and a school district.

The concept behind the SRO Program is simple. To put another positive role model in the schools to help with children at risk, provide specialized teaching and instruction, interact with children in an informal setting and to provide a presence, which helps to assure a safe, effective learning environment. This partnership between the schools and the police has proven to be a very effective means for sharing common concerns and providing a unified effort in our children’s education and well-being.

SROs interact with school administration, guidance staff, teachers, school support staff and students. They attend most school social functions and sporting events. They work closely with school staff and parents to support children entering the Middle School and the High School.

### **Bethlehem Central High School-**

Detective Chad Rice is assigned to the Bethlehem Central High School during the school year. Detective Rice is a certified school resource officer, juvenile officer and a DARE instructor. He is a member of the New York State Juvenile Police Officers Association, the state and national DARE Officers Association and the state and national School Resource Officers Association.

Some of the activities that Detective Rice is involved in at the high school include:

- Teaching and participating in Health and Social Problems classes.
- Participating in Government, Business, English, Physics and Physical Education classes.
- Assisting with student orientation in the move from the eighth grade to the ninth grade.
- Partnering with administration and students to help maintain a safe and orderly environment throughout the school year.

### **Bethlehem Central Middle School-**

Detective Mike Whiteley is assigned to the Bethlehem Middle School during the school year. Detective Whiteley is a certified school resource officer, juvenile officer and a DARE instructor. He is also a member of the New York State Juvenile Police Officers Association and the state and national DARE Officers Association. Detective Whiteley remains an active member of the board of directors for the Bethlehem Youth Court. Further information about Detective Whiteley and the SRO program can be found at [http://bcasd.k12.ny.us/middle/BCMS\\_SRO.html](http://bcasd.k12.ny.us/middle/BCMS_SRO.html)

Some of the activities that Detective Whiteley is involved in at the middle school include:

- Teaching Stranger Abduction, Project Adventure, English, Substance Abuse Avoidance and Physical Education.
- Mediation between students.
- Acting as mentor to several students; assisting with personal problems, school projects and family activities.
- Partnering with school administrators in developing and implementing school safety standards as required by the State Education Department and monitoring the response to assure compliance.
- Participating in school social activities as well as professional development programs attended by the teaching staff.

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Detective Ken Beck is assigned to all Town of Bethlehem public Elementary Schools during the school year. Detective Beck's primary responsibility within the schools is to present the nationally known Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program. When not teaching D.A.R.E., Detective Beck is frequently called upon to conduct presentations on various child safety issues to students in kindergarten through fourth grades or to assist the School Resource Officers assigned to the other schools.

## DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION



The most visible program that the department provides is Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE). Each fifth grade class at Bethlehem Central Schools, St. Thomas School and A.W. Becker Elementary School is provided this nationally recognized program, teaching more than 500 kids each year. The DARE program teaches students self-esteem at a critical time during their adolescence and provides no-nonsense information about drug and alcohol abuse as well as preventing violence.

The DARE program is sometimes criticized on a national level, mainly because the value of the program is not fully understood by its critics. Any prevention program is difficult to quantify with regards to its success. DARE is just one piece of the puzzle that works together with educators, business leaders, community leaders, the clergy and local government to provide support for adolescents during a difficult time of their life.

The DARE Program brings together the many resources in the community in a common effort to provide our children with the knowledge and techniques for avoiding substance abuse, negative peer group pressure and helps to raise a child's self esteem. The success of this program lies with our ability to bring government, law enforcement, schools, clergy, parents, students and community leaders together, working as partners for the future of our youth.

## SUMMARY

The School Resource Officer Program and the DARE Program are prevention efforts. Their value cannot be measured or quantified.



But in our experience of more than thirty years, we have found that when segments of the community come together with a common mission such as with the schools and the police, the children benefit, the schools enjoy a resource not otherwise available and the image and the effectiveness of the police are increased by making them part of this common effort.

Positive role models in our schools and otherwise in our community provide a base from which our children's lives may be enriched. These partnerships help to provide a safe, nurturing environment and contribute to the quality of life in the Town of Bethlehem.

## **BIKE PATROL**

The Bike Patrol program is used to supplement vehicle operations and provide a presence in areas of the town not readily accessible by patrol cars. It promotes a greater public contact while increasing police presence. Bike patrol officers are also responsible for presenting bicycle safety courses.



## **CRIME PREVENTION**

Preventing crime saves money, saves lives, reduces injury and reduces property loss. The patrol car that you see on the street is by its presence, a crime prevention tool used in conjunction with a formalized crime prevention program that works together with community groups and the elderly to help educate against elder abuse and current crime prevention programs. Specially trained officers follow-up every serious offense to provide information to victims on how better to protect themselves and their property.

## OPERATION ID

Operation ID is a program where Crime Prevention Officers provide a distinctive identification number that can be tracked anywhere in the country by any police department. This number, specific to a person or a family is then applied to any of the owner's property by use of an engraver, provided by the department. The use of owner-applied numbers deters theft and facilitates the recovery and establishment of ownership of lost and stolen property.

## COMMUNICATIONS CENTER



The Police Department is responsible for police, fire, advanced and basic life support and heavy-duty rescue dispatching in the town. Communications personnel are highly trained and have often sustained life, or helped to revive patients while awaiting the arrival of emergency medical services.

CAD, or Computer Aided Dispatching, is a fully interactive system providing computer based support for daily call taking and dispatching of single and multiple units of police, fire and emergency medical services. All call and unit activity are automatically time stamped and tracked. "Run cards", programmed for all of the mutual aid agreements between fire departments and EMS quickly identify the appropriate units to dispatch, thereby eliminating any delay. Access throughout the system by all officers and telecommunicators can be made directly to state and federal criminal/informational systems from any terminal.

CAD also coordinates all information coming in to the police department and records information about persons, addresses, offenses and incidents. This data is instantly available when an inquiry is made about any of these subjects and provides life saving information to units responding to an emergency.

CAD can provide information such as hazardous material storage, medical histories, history of violence with a person or at an address and other information that is readily available to the first responders to an incident. CAD allows them to more efficiently, safely and effectively serve the public.



CAD further provides for electronic reporting of data required by the federal and state government, the automatic entering and printing of the majority of reports generated by the department and direct-link

operations to the Division of Criminal Justice Services, Motor Vehicle Department, National Crime Information Center and Interpol. The system is also part of NYSPIN (New York Statewide Police Information Network) which is the system by which all law enforcement agencies in the state communicate.

Future enhancements of the CAD system will provide for on-scene direct entry and inquiry to federal, state and local computer data banks. All of this technology will reduce the time needed for an officer to do paperwork in the station and keep more officers available to respond to calls for service.

Fully implemented in 2011, the eJusticeNY Integrated Justice Portal (the Portal) provides a single interface through which authorized users can access information from a variety of Federal, State and local agency sources. The Portal improves the administration of justice by ensuring that data needed to support criminal justice is available when and where it is needed through a single point of access – at the click of a mouse! The Portal represents a significant milestone in ongoing and longstanding efforts to enhance the quality and availability of criminal justice information. By tying information together and pushing it to the “front-line”, the Portal addresses the need for an efficient data delivery system, and provided authorized users with simple and inexpensive access to timely and complete information to improve public safety and the administration of justice.

## **FIELD OPERATIONS UNIT**

The field operations unit is capable of providing all emergency functions, including a direct link to state and federal databases, from anywhere in the town. The unit can be used at the scene of major incidents as a command center.



The Field Operations Unit in action responding to a Hazardous Materials Situation at 633 Delaware Ave.

## RECORDS

The Records Section secures and stores all departmental records. It is the repository for all departmental records of arrest, incidents, accidents and other departmental reporting. The Records section is responsible for data entry and retrieval and for all federal, state and local statistical reporting. The records section is also responsible for all Freedom of Information Requests received.



Only authorized personnel can access prohibited information such as juvenile records, sealed court records, etc.

## NEW YORK STATE SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRY

New York State provides law enforcement agencies with a registry of sex offenders who have been convicted and are now living in our communities. The Special Services Division maintains this registry and makes information available to the public as allowed by law. Offender Watch is a free resource available to the public that alerts and informs them about registered sex offenders in their neighborhood. For residents of the Town of Bethlehem the web site is:

[http://www.sheriffalerts.com/cap\\_main.php?office=54797](http://www.sheriffalerts.com/cap_main.php?office=54797). There are also links to this resource on the town's web site.

**PROMOTING SEX OFFENDER AWARENESS!**

**SEARCH** for sex offenders in your local area  
**REGISTER** to receive email alerts  
**PROTECT** your family with safety tips and information

*Offenderwatch*<sup>®</sup>  
Knowledge is a click away

## ACCREDITATION

Accreditation is the process by which police organizations demonstrate that they operate within generally accepted standards. Its purpose is to enhance the effectiveness, efficiency and professionalism of an agency while promoting training and public confidence in law enforcement. Originally accredited in 1990 as the fourth department statewide to achieve this honor, the Bethlehem Police Department is preparing for its fifth re-accreditation which is scheduled for 2015.



## PATROL DIVISION

The Patrol Division is commanded by Lieutenant Robert Berben. Lieutenant Berben has been a law enforcement officer since 1987 with a degree in Criminal Justice and has held the positions of Patrol Officer, Patrol Sergeant and Special Services commander.

Six Patrol Sergeants supervise twenty-two Patrol Officers and provide the initial response to calls for emergency services. Patrol personnel work out of the main building located at 447 Delaware Avenue in Delmar and out of a satellite office located in the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance building on Route 9W in Selkirk.



Patrol vehicles are equipped with modern equipment including multi-channel two-way radios, emergency extrication equipment, hazardous/emergency warning lights, signs and other devices and emergency first aid supplies. All of the vehicles have mobile data capability which enables officers to have a direct link to state and federal data bases from the field. All of the patrol officers are trained to sustain life in an emergency until relieved by Emergency Medical Service personnel and have often saved lives, or even brought a victim back to life, through their dedicated efforts.

Officers are provided with safety equipment to make them more visible in reduced lighting situations, disinfectants and cleaning materials to prevent contamination by the AIDS and Hepatitis-B viruses and materials to clean scenes where rabies exposure or other contamination is suspected. Each car also carries biohazard disposal equipment and evidence collecting gear for safely securing biohazard evidence.

The Patrol Division is responsible for the initial investigation of most criminal offenses and motor vehicle crashes. They provide services that are often found in suburban communities that are unavailable to larger municipalities, such as assisting people who are locked out of their vehicle, checking vacant properties and homes where people are away on vacation, as well as many "quality-of-life" issues, through a modified community policing program.

Making property checks for example, is not only a service to our community, but assures that the patrol units get into every residential neighborhood with a degree of regularity. Often the erroneous perception is that the police only patrol the main highways, but this is only because they are more visible to more people at those times.

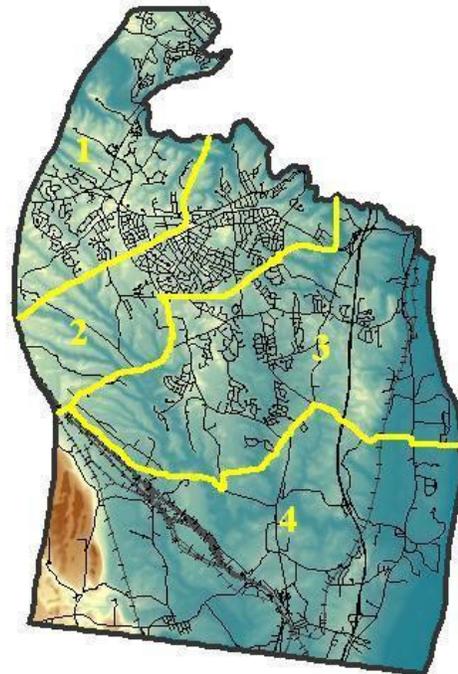
The Bethlehem Police Department takes a proactive role with regards to traffic safety. All officers regularly enforce traffic laws in residential areas as well as on major highways and in special areas that have been identified as potential hazards. Two officers are specially trained and certified as federal and state inspectors and conduct road checks throughout the town to assure that commercial vehicles are in compliance with all safety regulations.



Federal, state and county grants have been awarded to the police department, which makes it possible for the Patrol Division to engage in selective enforcement activities and "Community Policing" efforts. Some of these activities include STOP-DWI programs; Vehicular Homicide, Manslaughter and Assault initiatives where a person has been killed or seriously injured by a driver under the influence of alcohol or drugs, and Victims' Impact Panels. "Operation Access", a handicapped parking enforcement effort, educational presentations to students and to the public, seat belt/passenger restraint, child safety seat inspection stations, and speed and alcohol enforcement.

The purpose of these initiatives is to save lives, prevent and reduce serious injuries to motorists and passengers, and to be part of a nationwide effort to promote the principles of traffic safety.

The town is divided into four patrol zones as determined by the number and type of calls for service. Zone 1 covers Slingerlands and North Bethlehem, Zone 2 covers Delmar and Elsmere, Zone 3 covers Glenmont and parts of Delmar, and Zone 4 covers Selkirk, South Bethlehem and part of Glenmont.



The Satellite Station, located in Selkirk, is responsible for all of the Zone 4 area and portions of Zone 3. Officers report to their office in the Bethlehem Ambulance building for duty and work out of that office 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The response from the public for this effort has been overwhelmingly favorable and our ability to respond to emergencies more quickly in the southern part of the town has saved lives and made the police a more visible presence in the community. Officers working out of the satellite office have formed a "partnership" with the community in the spirit of community policing. Initial funding for this very effective concept has been provided through a "COPPS" (Community Oriented Policing and Problem Solving) grant, a program made possible

by the Omnibus Crime Bill of 1994. The satellite office is under the direction of the Station Commander, Sergeant Brian Hughes, an experienced veteran of the department.

The Selkirk satellite operation has involved the police department in the community with excellent results. This program and the "Community Policing" concept has shown itself to be the standard for future public safety policies. Community programs conducted in the satellite areas include snowmobile safety, young boater safety, ATV safety, pedestrian safety and bicycle safety. Crime Prevention and Town Senior Services programs are also provided to residents and businesses. Because of the high volume of truck traffic moving through the area, commercial vehicle safety inspections are conducted in conjunction with the State Department of Transportation to assure that commercial vehicles meet all safety standards.

The Patrol Division of the Police Department is the most visible of all of the public safety services provided in the town. The division takes a very pro-active position in the enforcement of the vehicle and traffic law in an effort to reduce traffic fatalities and injuries. Strict enforcement of speed, seatbelt, and occupant protection, child restraint statutes, active drinking and driving enforcement and the many safety features now found in motor vehicles have led to a dramatic reduction in fatalities and have reduced the severity of injuries suffered in car crashes.

Today there is a much greater public awareness of traffic safety issues. Communities demand that their local governments provide highway safety for vehicles, pedestrians, bicyclists, in-line skaters and others who share the roadway. The public is also more aware of their own responsibilities in taking steps to maximize personal safety.

Miles driven on patrol in the town average about 360,000 or more per year. The patrol fleet consists of marked vehicles that are fully equipped with emergency equipment and supplies. Vehicles are maintained in top condition economically and efficiently by the Town Highway Department.

The Bethlehem Police Department has a serious concern for the heavy commercial traffic traveling over the roadways in the town. Industries such as CSX, Sabic Innovative Plastics, Owens-Corning, BOC Gases, Air Products, TEPPICO, Callanan Industries and several large freight and construction companies, put large trucks and other vehicles on the road, often laden with hazardous materials or other dangerous cargo. We have taken an active role with the State Department of Transportation in monitoring this traffic and conducting periodic road checks to remove commercial vehicles from the road when they do not meet state and federal safety standards.



## TRAFFIC SAFETY



Traffic safety is a broad responsibility for police agencies. The Bethlehem Police Department has established itself as being proactive in many facets of traffic safety while being tempered with consistency and fair enforcement. The department uses the three “E’s” generally associated with traffic safety. Enforcement and

Education are the two more commonly associated components with Engineering being overshadowed.

The goal of our efforts is to reduce every type of crash, including those caused by impaired driving, motorcycles, pedestrians, bicycles and commercial vehicles, making our roadways safer. To accomplish this goal we will remain dedicated to traffic safety and responsive to the community.

Our traffic safety efforts are consistent with national programs and target the dangers of aggressive and distracted driving behaviors, occupant restraint compliance, speed enforcement and zero tolerance for operating while impaired by alcohol or drugs.

There are several independent programs that the department has undertaken and remains committed to that allows a greater commitment to traffic safety as well as a flexibility that continually addresses the changing and varied needs of the Town.

In order to understand our commitment it is necessary to look at the formalized program, which began in the 1990’s. The Department received funding from the National Highway Safety Administration,

(NHTSA) through the acceptance of a grant from the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for restraint compliance and motorcycle helmet enforcement. In response, the department created the position of Traffic Safety Investigator in order to meet the goals set forth by the grant. The resulting efforts by this program in conjunction with overall department participation raised the Town's restraint compliance well beyond the National and State compliance level.

As the traffic safety program evolved, the department expanded its role for both enforcement and education. The following are community presentations made by Traffic Safety Investigators:

- Defensive Driving
- Pedestrian Safety
- Occupant Restraint and child passenger safety
- DWI Deterrence
- Mock DWI crashes for High School students
- High School Driver Education programs
- Alcohol Awareness/SLA Seminar
- Commercial Motor Vehicle awareness & compliance
- Bicycle Safety



These topics have been presented in the Town of Bethlehem and in support of County and State events, which have been held at Colonie Center and Crossgates Mall as well as other venues such as the Times Union Center and the Empire State Plaza.

Officers start receiving their law enforcement education at the Police Academy. Currently, Chief Louis G. Corsi serves as the Board president for the Zone 5 Regional Law Enforcement Training Academy. The following traffic safety curriculums have been designed for both recruit and in-service personnel:

- Commercial Motor Vehicle enforcement
- Standardized Field Sobriety testing
- Breath Analysis Operators certification/re-certification
- Professional Traffic Stops
- Vehicle & Traffic Law
- Traffic Direction and Control

In addition, the department sends personnel to training conferences, provides in-service training and education on legal updates and court decisions to maintain a high degree of officer proficiency.

New York State has enacted “Zero Tolerance” laws for vehicle operators under the age of twenty-one who drive under the influence of alcohol. Young drivers may now be summoned for a blood content as little as .02% and their driving privileges subsequently suspended or revoked after an Administrative Motor Vehicle hearing.

The Bethlehem Police Department was involved in one of the first cases in Albany County that resulted in a license suspension. Subsequently, the department actively participated in statewide training for officers. Attorneys and motor vehicle administrative law judges participated as well.

The department’s goal for community education is to develop voluntary compliance which will further reduce injuries and deaths from traffic crashes, but studies and real experiences have shown that the lessons learned here carried beyond the borders of the Town and impact many other lives.

The department has long realized the changing needs of traffic safety. There is an ongoing analysis of statistics received from the State Department of Motor Vehicles, from data collected by the department and most importantly from the involvement of the residents in response to traffic complaints and concerns which are subsequently investigated and evaluated. The Town is not a large enough sample to forecast broad trends so to identify clearly a cause and effect relationship. However, what has been seen is that our long term data supports what is being reported on a statewide and national level. This nationwide initiative coordinates state, county and local law enforcement efforts, traffic engineering planning and data collection all in a concerted effort to reduce injury and fatal crashes.

The department’s ability to investigate crashes has also been enhanced by funding with the purchase of an electronic total work station (ETWS). This surveying & mapping equipment most easily recognized at construction sites had been adapted for use by law enforcement in the collection and documentation of evidence points. The department has used this equipment for vehicle crashes as well as felony criminal cases.

Partnerships have been developed with members of the NY State Police Crash Reconstruction Unit, which have enhanced these investigations and provided documents necessary for presentations to court cases.

2007 brought about many changes in the department, but especially in the field of traffic safety. The Chief of Police in recognition and acknowledgement of the expanding and redefining role of the Traffic Safety Officer designated the position as Traffic Safety Investigator. The Investigator status defines more appropriately their job description.

The department implemented the TraCS system equipping all patrol units with mobile data terminals capable of electronic ticketing and motor vehicle / NYSPIN inquiries. In 2008 the role of TraCS was expanded to include electronic accident reports.

The Division of Criminal Justice Services has added new technology to the breath-testing instrument. The department was able to replace the existing breath-testing instrument upgrading to a new generation of infra-red breath testing instrument.

The Bethlehem Police Department has recognized that the daily commute for many is a quality of life issue. The department continually looks for ways to improve its response to the community's desire to travel in safety. Education, Engineering and Enforcement are all part of the solution. Safety is everyone's business and though not a pleasant experience, the issuing of citations is a necessary step in the overall traffic safety program to reduce injuries and deaths. When traffic laws are disobeyed all users of the roadways are endangered. The department hopes that the use of the three "E's" will encourage all to drive safely and responsibly making our roadways safer for all users.

## **ALBANY COUNTY STOP-DWI PROGRAM**

The Albany County Special Traffic Options Program is focused on the enforcement of the Driving While Intoxicated or Impaired laws and provides payments to localities for enforcement, training, education and equipment. Funding comes from fines collected for DWI and DWAI convictions in local courts. The money is turned back to the municipalities through local grants, administered by the County. The department continues to support the saturation patrols known as DWI Blanket Patrols for alcohol and drug impaired enforcement on the County and State level .

Victim Impact panels, the first of which was conducted at the Bethlehem Central High School, mock DWI crashes, and Students Against Destructive Decisions (S.A.D.D.) sponsored events are part of the STOP-DWI program and have continued to personalize the tragedies resulting from alcohol related, speed and non-restraint use crashes in an attempt to heighten the awareness of the seriousness of this problem. The Traffic Safety Investigators and the School Resource Officers partner with students in a continuing commitment to prevent the unnecessary loss of lives.



The Chief of Police, as a member of the Albany County Traffic Safety Board, is able to assure the department's participation in all regional events. Further, the distribution of federal and state funds to

police agencies in Albany County must be done with the approval of this board and the Chief's membership provides for equitable distribution for the Town's share of these funds.

## **ALBANY COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY AWARENESS COMMITTEE**

The Bethlehem Police Department is a member of the Albany County Traffic Safety Awareness Committee, which focuses on preventing crashes and reducing injuries through education and coordination of law enforcement agencies for traffic safety events. The committee also provides programs on child restraint seats and occupant protection. Currently, the department holds child safety seat checks by appointment only.

## **NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION GRANTS**

Federal grants are administered through the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee and provided to localities for specific traffic safety efforts with the approval and recommendations of the County Traffic Safety Board. This provides for a consistent, nation-wide direction in priority areas of traffic safety.

NHTSA is currently funding a traffic safety program to encourage the use of seat belts and child restraints, for the dangers of aggressive and distracted driving behaviors and for driving while intoxicated or impaired enforcement. The purpose of these grants are to reduce every type of crash.

Public education and increasing public awareness is an important part of this effort. Trained officers go into the schools and teach young drivers and students too young to drive the importance of wearing a seat belt and shoulder harness as well as using child restraint seats whether they are the operator or a passenger. Parents often tell us how they were admonished by their children for not properly using restraints, the kids often quoting the officer that they had met at one of our training programs. Other programs are presented to civic groups, concerned citizens and professional organizations, all in an effort to raise awareness as to the importance of buckling up.

The Bethlehem Police Department, the Chief of Police and our Traffic Safety Investigators have received awards from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee and the Albany County Traffic Safety Awareness Committee for our efforts, which resulted in seat belt/child restraint compliance, exceeding 80%. This recognition represents the efforts of our officers whose purpose is to save lives and reduce injuries in automobile crashes.

The police department has a continuing Alcohol Awareness Program, which has several purposes - to create a police liaison between the various school, government, parent, student, community and civic groups who share a concern for youths under the age of twenty-one who unlawfully use or possess alcoholic beverages. It also provides factual, non-judgmental information to youths about the dangers of alcohol use and abuse. Our goal is to create an atmosphere in the Town of Bethlehem that tells our children that we know that they have problems, but that we care about their future and are working hard to make Bethlehem a better place to live and grow up. In furtherance of this, our efforts are directed at adults as well as children so that the many influences that contribute to the problems may be addressed.

Our Alcohol Awareness Program compliments our enforcement efforts by providing information to our residents and their children; by becoming part of a community wide effort to intervene with people at risk, or people who put themselves at risk before they suffer medical, legal, emotional or family problems resulting from the use or abuse of alcohol.

## ANIMAL CONTROL



The town has one full time Animal Control Officer scheduled for forty hours a week coverage. Calls for Animal Control Services continue to increase, fueled mainly by the public's awareness and concern for the possibility of exposure to rabid animals and most recently, the West Nile Virus. The purpose of Animal Control Services in a suburban community are best described by Animal Control Officer Richard A. Watt:

"To provide the enforcement of the appropriate Federal, State, County and Town laws, regulations and codes. To provide humane care to animals both domestic and wild. To protect both people from animals and animals from people. To provide educational information to the public concerning animal/people cohabitation. To help coordinate the efforts of different groups and agencies involved with the above. To serve the residents, their guests and their animal companions of the Town of Bethlehem, in a professional and compassionate manner."

Animal Control Services are provided by specially trained and equipped personnel who are also available in emergency situations. They are active in assisting our residents with domestic and wild animal problems, presenting informational seminars on rabies and other animal threats, licensing, animal cruelty enforcement and town code enforcement.

Animal Control also contributes in many unseen ways, such as a first line of warning for environmental problems and diseases. Animal Control Officers collect and provide the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Wildlife Pathology Unit with specimens that meet certain criteria for forensic examination, such as rabies vector species, suspicious or unnatural animal deaths and various birds such as crows and their related species. Animal Control is and has been for years the single-leading contributor to the New York State Wildlife Pathology Unit of gathered animal specimens in the state. The results of these submissions have provided evidence of illegal hunting, illegal pesticide application and toxic waste. In addition, it allows a variety of other agencies such as the New York State Department of Health and Center for Disease Control to use the information gathered from animal submissions to monitor and understand such diseases as rabies and West Nile Virus.

The Capital District Animal Control Officers Association was formed in 1995 with Bethlehem ACO Richard Watt elected the first president. They are dedicated to:

- Increasing requirements and qualifications for officers
- Improving public education
- Working more closely with the public
- Improving training
- Improving interdepartmental cooperation
- Attaining peace officer status to more effectively enforce cruelty to animal statutes.

Animal Control Officer Richard A. Watt continues to serve the Town of Bethlehem with compassion and kindness, and a dedication to protecting our residents, their pets and wildlife in general.

## Crime Reporting

### NYS Incident-Based Reporting (IBR)

Incident-based reporting (IBR) is a streamlined way of submitting a police department's required crime reports. IBR replaces multiple reports with a single monthly computerized submission. Instead of summarizing key events, Incident Based Reporting records specific incident details, including information about the offender, victim, and property. Data are collected on all types of crimes, not just the most serious offenses. If multiple crimes occur during a single incident, they are all reported. DCJS then uses the computer-generated IBR files to classify the crimes into Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) categories.

Over the past four years the number of New York State Law Enforcement agencies that submit their crime reports through IBR has increased by 70 percent, with 184 agencies reporting through IBR as of July 2006. Many additional agencies are working with DCJS to make the switch from UCR to IBR.

#### Advantages of Using IBR

- 1) IBR reduces police department crime report paperwork and saves staff time.** Uniform Crime Reporting requires the department to submit seven different monthly forms. These forms can be complex and time consuming to complete. IBR files are produced by the department's records management system (RMS) software and submission of most data can be done by email.
- 2) IBR improves the accuracy of reported information.** When agencies transition to IBR, they generally report improved accuracy in their reported crime data. Agencies report that there are significantly fewer errors with regard to classification of crimes. In addition, crimes that are reported and then subsequently determined to be unfounded are automatically removed from the IBR submission files. The current UCR reporting protocols have no mechanism to remove unfounded cases from the month in which they were originally reported.
- 3) IBR expands the information on the local crime picture which is readily available to local departments.** All participating IBR agencies receive a crime analysis report on their reported crime from DCJS. This report provides an excellent starting point for understanding the local crime picture, and includes details on victims, suspects, crime locations, drugs seized and weapons used. Ad hoc reports are also generated by DCJS upon request. In addition, the structure of IBR files makes local crime analysis, including mapping, easier to do.

## CHARTS

### IBR Offenses

IBR Offense	2011	2012	2013
100 - Kidnapping	11	11	4
11A - Forcible Rape	6	2	0
11B - Forcible Sodomy	4	4	0
11D - Forcible Fondling	9	4	2
120 - Robbery	6	2	5
13A - Aggravated Assault	14	12	10
13B - Simple Assault	167	202	149
13C - Intimidation	89	96	72
200 - Arson	5	0	0
210 - Extortion/Blackmail	1	0	0
220 - Burglary/Breaking and Entering	92	65	51
23A - Pocket-Picking	2	0	0
23B - Purse-Snatching	2	1	2
23C - Shoplifting	71	95	148
23D - Theft from a Building	95	66	66
23F - Theft from a Motor Vehicle	59	64	21
23G - Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	6	7	9
23H - All Other Larceny	280	229	204
240 - Motor Vehicle Theft	12	5	7
250 - Counterfeiting/Forgery	43	26	38
26A - False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	5	8	8
26B- Credit Card/ATM Fraud	0	1	0
26C - Impersonation	91	86	126
280 - Stolen Property Offenses	33	24	17
290 - Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	250	214	216
35A - Drug/Narcotic Violations	117	117	66
35B - Drug Equipment Violations	6	7	4
36B - Statutory Rape	1	2	0
370 - Pornography/Obscene Material	1	7	2
40B - Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	0	1	0
510 - Bribery	0	1	0
520 - Weapon Law Violations	34	29	17
90A - Bad Checks	3	5	6
90C - Disorderly Conduct	8	5	0
90D - Driving Under the Influence	164	128	82
90G - Liquor Law Violations	1	0	0
90J - Trespass of Real Property	154	123	96
90Z - All Other Offenses	1453	1100	699
999 - Do Not Count	2	0	3
<b>TOTAL OFFENSES</b>	<b>3297</b>	<b>2749</b>	<b>2131</b>

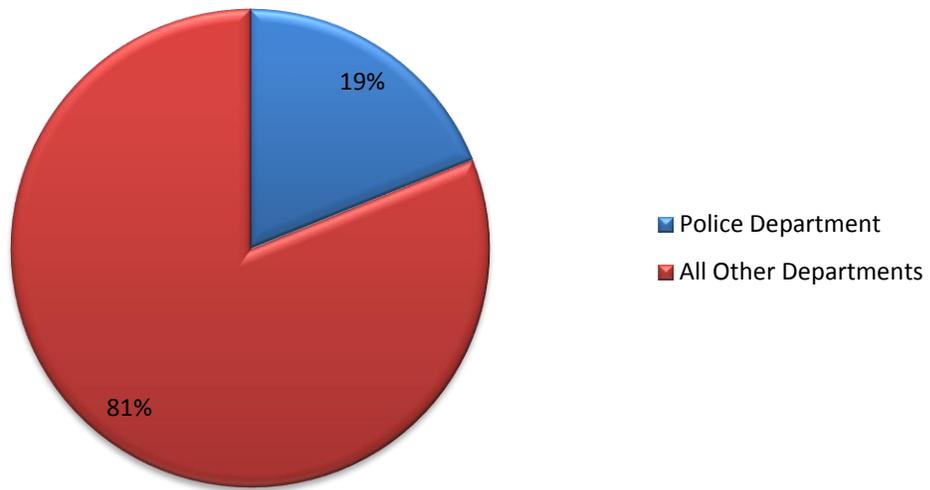
## BUDGET

The Chief of Police is responsible for administering the funds for police services, public safety communications and animal control, found in three separately managed accounts. The majority of money spent within each of these accounts is for personal services.

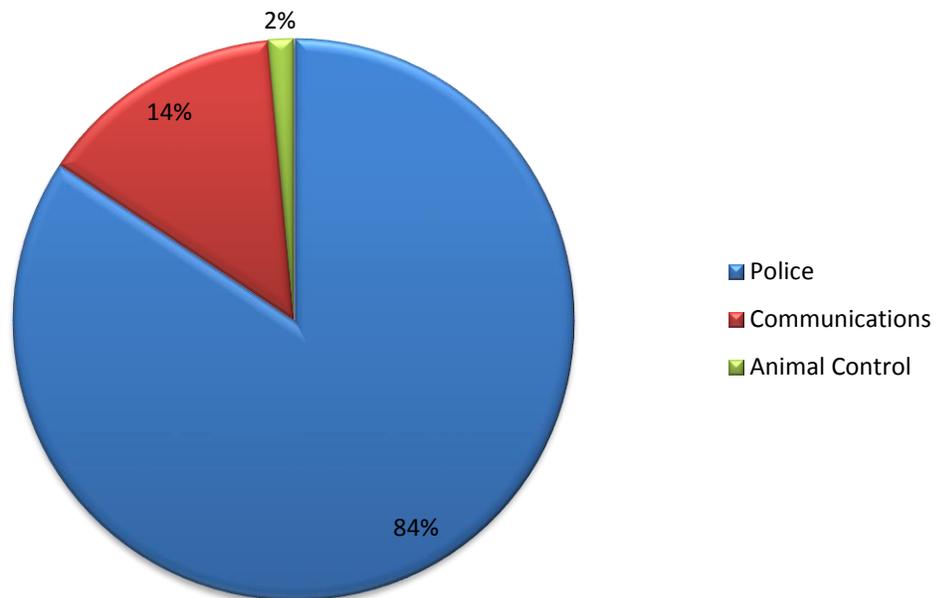
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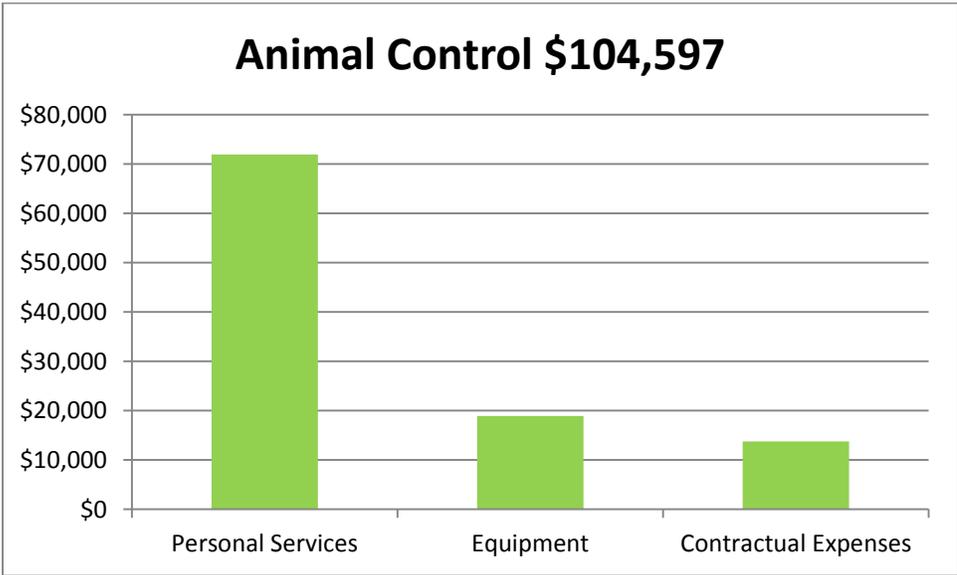
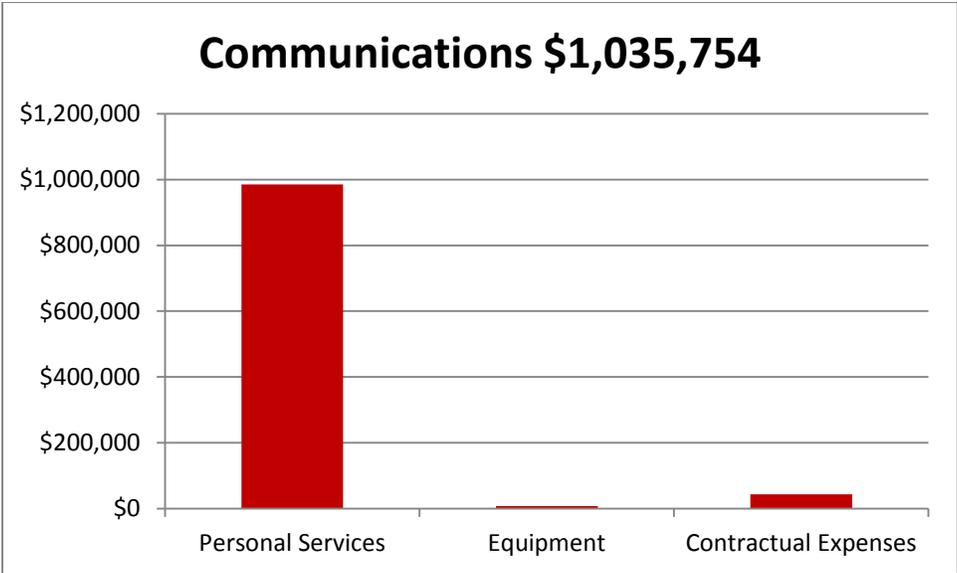
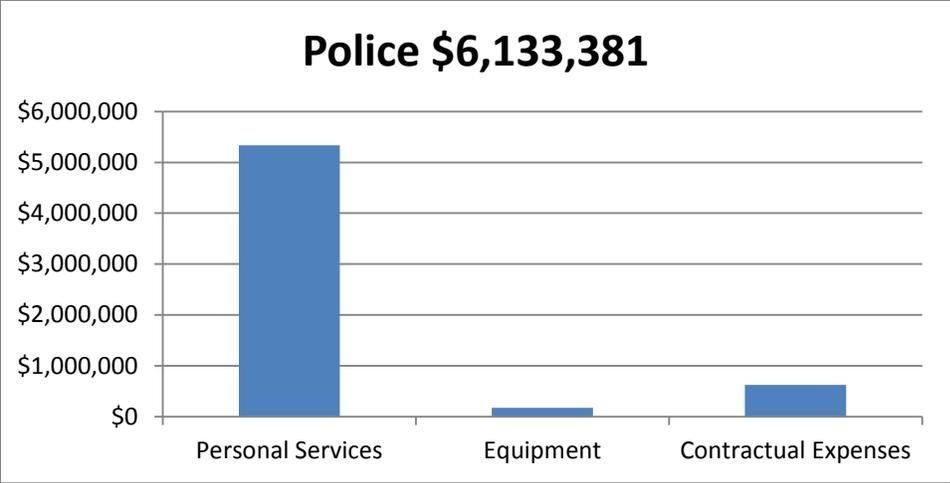
<b>Police Department</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>Personal Services</b>	5,454,457	5,606,592	5,335,700
<b>Equipment</b>	114,825	118,000	175,436
<b>Contractual Expenses</b>	613,441	615,884	622,245
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,182,723</b>	<b>6,340,476</b>	<b>6,133,381</b>
<b>Communications</b>			
<b>Personal Services</b>	1,062,999	1,079,442	985,428
<b>Equipment</b>	10,000	10,000	7,100
<b>Contractual Expenses</b>	38,950	38,900	43,226
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,111,949</b>	<b>1,128,342</b>	<b>1,035,754</b>
<b>Animal Control</b>			
<b>Personal Services</b>	63,181	64,552	71,917
<b>Equipment</b>	0	0	18,940
<b>Contractual Expenses</b>	14,604	13,084	13,740
<b>Total</b>	<b>77,785</b>	<b>77,636</b>	<b>104,597</b>
<b>Department Totals</b>	7,372,457	7,546,455	7,273,732
<b>Total Town Budget</b>	39,723,421	38,587,715	38,407,198
<b>% of Total Town Budget</b>	18.6	19.6	18.9

### 2013 Town Budget \$38,407,198

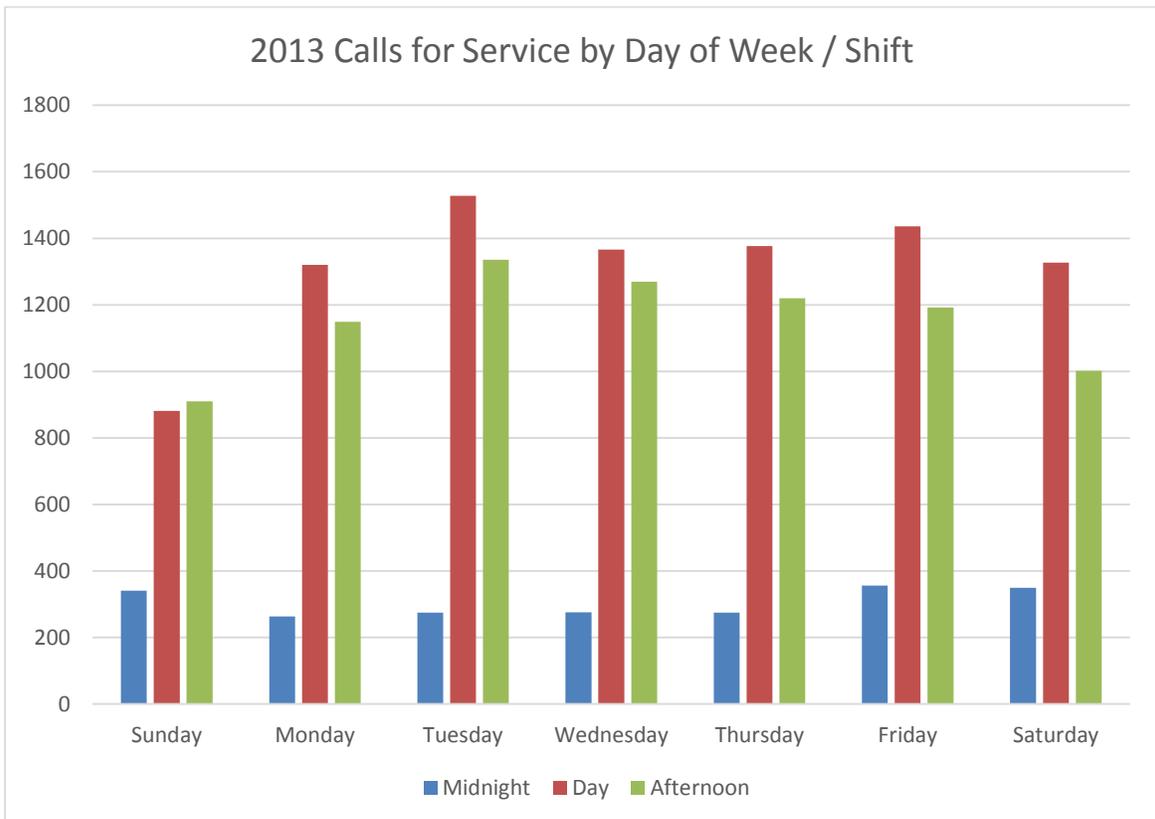
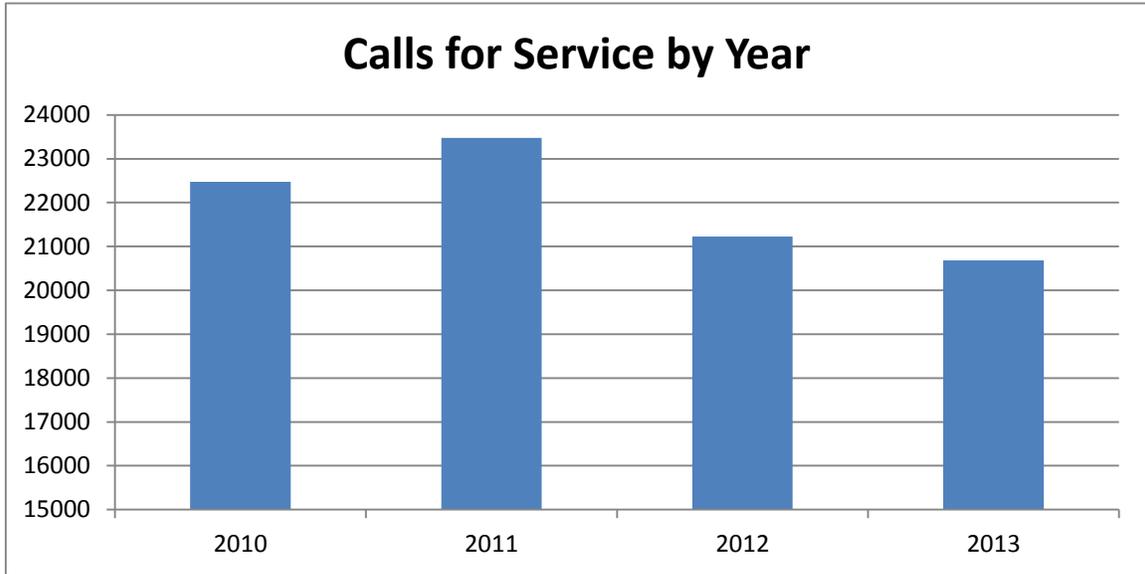


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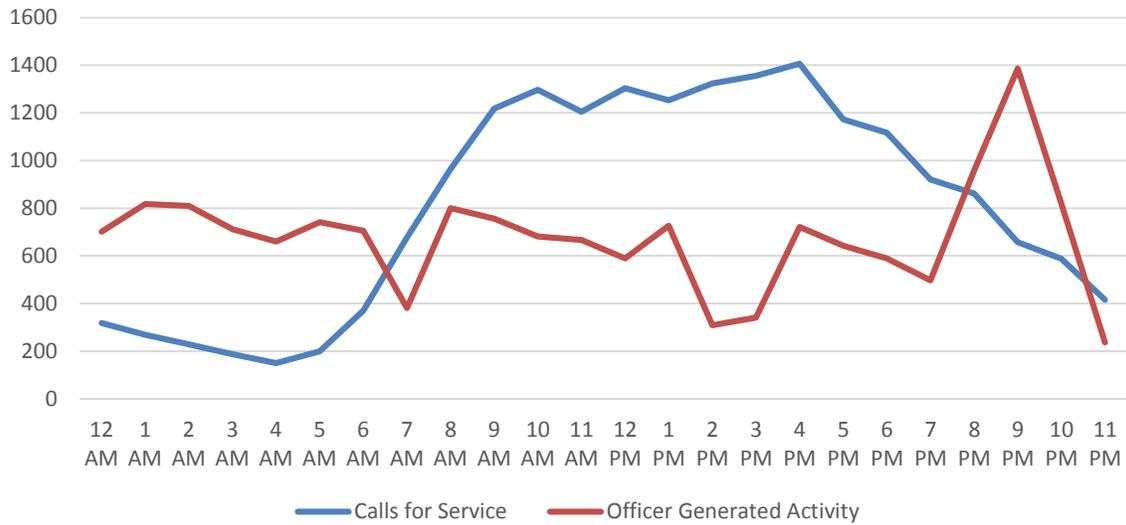




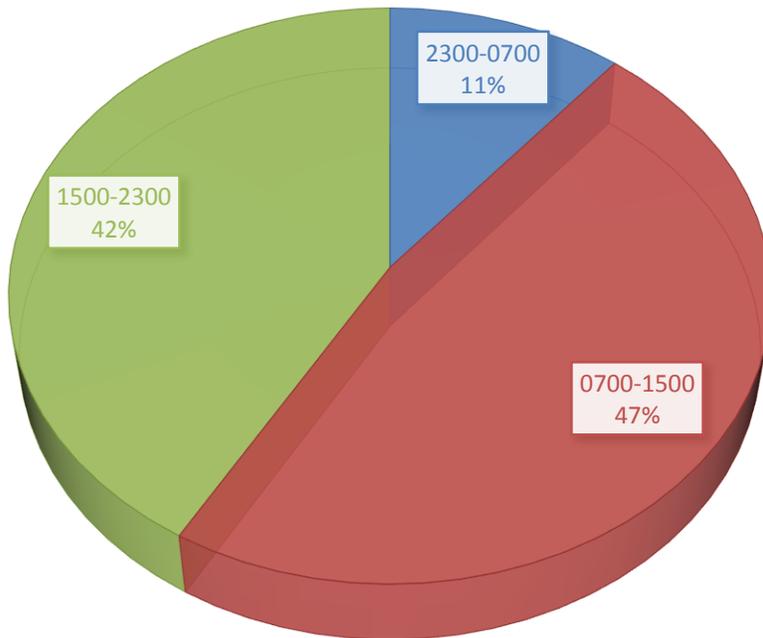
## CALLS FOR SERVICE



### 2013 Calls for Service and Officer Generated Activity by Hour of Day



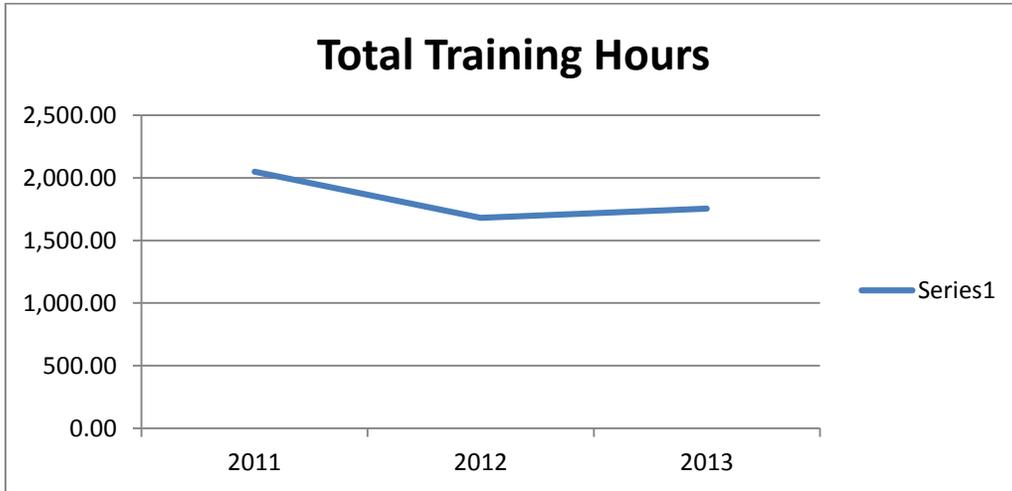
### 2013 CALLS FOR SERVICE BY SHIFT



## HEADQUARTERS

### Training hours:

	2011	2012	2013
<b>Police Department Personnel</b>	1,690.25	1,632.75	1,730.40
<b>Communications Personnel</b>	342	15.5	16
<b>Animal Control</b>	16	33.5	7.5
<b>TOTALS</b>	2,048.25	1,681.75	1,753.90



## SPECIAL SERVICES

### Detectives

This chart represents the number of cases assigned to Detectives involving these charges.

CASE CHARGES	2011	2012	2013
ABANDONMENT OF DISABLED ANIMAL			1
ACT IN MANNER INJUR CHILD LESS THAN 17	40	34	20
AGG HAR-2ND:RACE/RELIGION	1		
AGG HAR-2ND:TELEPHONE	2	5	5
AGG HARASSMENT-2:CAUSE COMMUNICATION W/PERSON TO A	4	3	4
AGG HARASSMENT-2:PHONE/TELEGRAPH/WRITTEN COMMUN TO	5	6	8
AGG UNLIC OPER 2-PREVIOUS CONV	4		
AGG UNLIC OPER-2:3/MORE SUSPEN	2	2	2
AGG UNLIC OPER-ALCOHOL RELATED		1	
AGG UNLICENSED OPERATION-1ST	2		
AGGRAV HARRASS-2:COMMUNICATE IN MANNER LIKELY TO C	15	14	
AGGRAVATED DWI:WITH A CHILD-PASSNGER LESS THN 16-1	2	1	
AGGRAVATED FAMILY OFFENSE - MORE THAN 1 OFFENSE WI			4
AGGRAVATED UNLIC OPER VEH-3RD	4	2	2
AGGRAVATED UNLIC OPER/MV-1ST	2		
AGGRAVATED UNLIC OPER/MV-2ND	1		
AGGRAVATED UNLICENSED OPER-2ND	2		
ARREST FUGITIVE W/O WARRANT			5
ARSON-2ND:INTENT PERSON PRESNT	1		
ARSON-3RD:INTENTIONALLY DAMAGE	9		2
ARSON-4TH:RECKLESSLY DAMAGE		2	
ARSON-5-INTENT DAMAGE PROPERTY	5	3	
ASLT W/INT CAUS SERIOUS PH INJ			1
ASLT W/INT CAUSE PH INJ W/WEAP		1	5
ASLT W/INT CAUSES PHYS INJURY	7	10	13
ASLT:RECKLSLY CAUSE PHYS INJRY		1	
ASSAULT 2-W/INTENT CAUSE PHYS INJURY TO OFFICER/FI			1
ASSAULT-2ND DEGREE	2		
ASSAULT-3RD		1	1
ATV VIOL:UNREGISTERED			1
AUTO STRIPPING-3RD	3		
AVOIDING INTERSECTION/LIGHT		1	
BAIL JUMPING-2ND DEGREE			1
BAIL JUMPING-3RD DEGREE	1		2
BENCH WARRANT	5	6	9

BURG 1ST/DISPLAY LOADED FIRARM		1	
BURG DWELLING CAUSING INJURY		1	
BURG:USE/THREAT-WEAP DURNG ACT		1	
BURGLARY 2ND DEGREE: ILLEGAL ENTRY- DWELLING	47	45	23
BURGLARY-2ND	1	2	
BURGLARY-3RD	41	19	25
C/P FORGERY DEVICE:MANUF/POSS	1		
CARE OF ANIMAL BY PET DEALER	1		
COERCION-2ND DEGREE: FEAR OF PHYSICAL INJURY TO A	2	1	
COMPUTER TAMPERING-4TH DEG: INTENTIONALLY ALTER/DE		1	
CONFINEMENT OF COMPANION ANIMAL IN VEHICLE: EXTREM			2
CONSPIRACY -4TH	7	7	2
CONSPIRACY -5TH		1	
CONSPIRACY -6TH	5	3	1
CONSPIRACY-5TH	6	1	12
CONTR SUBS IN NON ORIG CONTNR	1		
CPCS-3RD:HALLUC W/INT/SELL	2		
CPCS-3RD:HALLUCINOGENIC SUBST	2		
CPCS-3RD:NARC DRUG INT/SELL	2	4	1
CPCS-4TH:360 MILGRM METHADONE	1		
CPCS-4TH:HALLUCINOGEN			1
CPCS-4TH:HALLUCINOGENIC SUBST		1	
CPCS-5TH:WITH INTENT TO SELL			1
CPSP 3RD-VALUE OF PROP > \$3000	4	2	5
CPSP-4TH:POSS CREDIT CARD	8	11	8
CPSP-4TH:PROPERTY VAL >\$1000	2		1
CPSP-4TH:VEH-EXCEPT MOTORCYCLE	2	1	2
CRIM CONTEMPT-1ST:COMMUNICATES		1	1
CRIM CONTEMPT-1ST:PHY CONTACT	3	1	2
CRIM CONTEMPT-1ST:PHY MENANCE	1	1	1
CRIM CONTEMPT-1ST:TELEPHONES	2	2	3
CRIM CONTEMPT-2ND:DISOBEY CRT	7	8	12
CRIM CONTMPT-1:VIOL PL215.50(3)-PRIOR CONV AGG/CRI	1		4
CRIM DIVERSON PRESCRIP-4TH	2	4	
CRIM IMPERS-2ND:OTHER PERSON	6		
CRIM MIS 4:DISABLE EQUIP TO PRVNT REQUEST FOR EMRG	2	1	1
CRIM MIS:INTENT DAMAGE PROPRTY	60	52	61
CRIM MIS:RCKLS PROP DAM > \$250		1	2
CRIM MIS-4:DISBLE EQUIP PRVNT EMRGNCY CALL PROTECT			2
CRIM MIS-4:DISBLE EQUIP TO PRVNT EMRGNCY CALL POLI	5	5	3
CRIM MISCHIEF 3:PROP/HATE CRME			1
CRIM MISCHIEF 3:PROPERTY> \$250	21	28	25

CRIM NUISANCE 2-UNLAWFL CONDUCT		1	
CRIM OBSTRUCTION BREATHING/BLOOD CIRCULATION-APPLY	4	6	4
CRIM POSS CONTR SUB/NARCO		4	
CRIM POSS CONTRL SUB-5TH:NARC	4	1	
CRIM POSS CONTRL SUBST	13	17	3
CRIM POSS MARIHUANA-1ST:10 LBS		2	
CRIM POSS MARIHUANA-2ND:>16 OZ	7		
CRIM POSS MARIHUANA-4TH:>2 OZS		2	3
CRIM POSS MARIHUANA-5TH: >25GR	2	3	
CRIM POSS MARIHUANA-5TH:PUBLIC	1		
CRIM POSS NARCO DRUG-4TH			1
CRIM POSS WEAP - 4TH DEG	4	1	
CRIM POSS WEAP 3RD-AMMO CLIP	5	2	
CRIM POSS WEAP 3RD-ASSLT RIFLE	2	2	
CRIM POSS WEAP-3RD:BOMB/SILENT		4	1
CRIM POSS WEAP-3RD:DEFACE WEAP		1	
CRIM POSS WEAP-3RD:PREV CONV	3	2	1
CRIM POSS WEAP-4TH:FIREARM/WEP	12	2	5
CRIM POSS WEAP-4TH:INT TO USE	8	9	12
CRIM POSS WEAPON 4-FELON HAS RIFLE/SHOTGUN/ANTIQUE	3		
CRIM POSSESSION STOLN PROP-5TH	7	8	10
CRIM SALE CONTRL SUBST-5TH	1	2	
CRIM SALE MARIHUANA-2ND:4 OZ	1	1	1
CRIM SALE MARIHUANA-3RD:25 GRM		1	
CRIM SALE MARIHUANA-4TH	2	2	
CRIM SALE MARIHUANA-5TH:2 GRAM	3		
CRIM SALE PRESCRIPTION CNT/SUB			1
CRIM TRESPASS 3RD: RAILROAD		1	
CRIM TRESPASS 3RD:ENCLSD PROP	10	2	7
CRIM TRESPASS 3RD:SCHOOL	13	2	6
CRIM USE DRUG PAR-2ND:PACKAGE		1	
CRIM USE DRUG PARA 2ND SCALES		1	
CRIMINAL CONTEMP- 2ND		1	
CRIMINAL FACILITATION-4TH	3		2
CRIMINAL IMPER 1ST:PHYSICIAN		1	
CRIMINAL IMPERSONATION-1:IMPERS POLICE OFFICER/FED		1	
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - 2ND	4	4	11
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF-1ST		2	
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF-3RD	2	2	4
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF-4TH	23	7	2
CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING OR BLOOD CIRCULA		3	
CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF A WEAPON-2ND DEGREE: DISGUI		1	

CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF A WEAPON-2ND DEGREE: LOADED	2		
CRIMINAL POSSESSION WEAPON-2ND DEGREE: 5 OR MORE F		1	
CRIMINAL SALE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE 2ND: 125 MG HAL		1	
CRIMINAL SEX ACT 3:ACTOR 21 YRS OR MORE/VICTIM LES		2	
CRIMINAL SEX ACT-2ND: ACTOR 18 YRS OR MORE/VICTIM	2		
CRIMINAL SEXUAL ACT-1ST DEGREE: BY FORCIBLE COMPUL	4	2	
CRIMINAL TAMPERING-3RD		3	6
CRIMINAL TAX FRAUD IN THE FIFTH DEGREE	4	1	1
CRIMINAL TRESPASS 2ND - ENTER/REMAIN UNLAWFULLY IN	1	3	5
CRIMINAL TRESPASS IN THE SECOND DEGREE	1		
CRIMINAL TRESPASS-3RD	4		
CRIMINAL USE FIREAREM 1ST DEG	4		
CROSSING ROAD HAZARD MARKINGS	1	1	1
CSCS-3RD:25 MIL HALLUCINOGEN		1	
CSCS-3RD:NARCOTIC DRUG		2	5
CSCS-4TH:NARCOTIC PREPARATION	1		
CUSTODY OF MENTALLY ILL PERSON	41	55	58
DEFRAUDING GOVT-USE PROPERTY/RESOURCES WORTH MORE			1
DEPORTABLE ALIEN VIOLATION			4
DIS/CON:FIGHT/VIOLENT BEHAVIOR		2	
DIS/CON:OBSCENE LANG/GESTURES	2	2	
DISOBEY TRAFFIC DEVICE- HOV		1	
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	1		
DISSEMINATE INDECENT MATERIAL TO MINORS- 1ST DEGRE		2	1
DRINKING ALCOHOL IN M/V ON HWY	2		
DRIVE LEFT OF PAVEMENT MARKING	2		
DRIVING WHILE ABILITY IMPAIRED BY ALCOHOL	1		
DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED- 1ST OFFENSE	7	2	
ENDANGER WELFARE INCOMPETENT/PHYSICALLY DISABLED P			2
ENDANGERING INCOMPETENT PERSON	2	1	
EQUIP VIO:BROKEN GLASS	2	1	
EQUIP VIO:EXHAUST SYSTEM	2	2	
EQUIP VIO:FAIL DIM LIGHTS	1		
EQUIP VIO:WINDSHIELD TINT VIOL		2	
EQUIP VIOL:NO HEAD LIGHTS		1	
EQUIP VIOLATION- SAFETY GLASS	2		
EQUIP VIOL-AUDIO/VISUAL DEVICE			1
EQUIP VIOL-STOP LIGHTS			1
ESCAPE CSTDY CHG/CON C/D/E FEL		1	
ESCAPE-3RD		1	
EXECUTE BENCH WARRANT	2	5	6
EXECUTE WARRANT OF ARREST	3	4	3

FACIL AGGR UNLIC OPER VEH-2ND	1		
FAIL EXERCISE CONTROL OF MINOR			1
FAIL TO KEEP RIGHT:2 LANE ROAD	9	5	3
FAIL TO RETURN LIC/REG/PLATES		1	
FAILED TO STOP AT STOP SIGN		1	
FAILED TO TURN AS REQUIRED		1	
FAILED TO USE DESIGNATED LANE	1		
FAILURE TO LICENSE OR VACCINATE			1
FAILURE TO OBEY POLICE OFFICER	5	1	
FAILURE TO OBEY TRAFFIC DEVICE	1	1	
FAILURE TO PROVIDE FOOD/DRINK	2		
FALSE INFORMATION RE: INCIDENT	1		
FALSE PERSONATION	3	3	2
FALSE REPORT 2-PRIV PREMISES		1	1
FALSE REPORT EMERGENCY-3RD	1		
FALSE RPT-INCIDENT DIDNT OCCUR			1
FALSE WRITTEN STATEMENT	1		1
FALSIFY BUSINESS RECORDS-1ST	2	2	1
FLEE OFFICER IN MOTOR VEH-3RD	5	1	
FOLLOWING TOO CLOSE		1	
FORCIBLE TOUCHING	5	3	
FORCIBLE TOUCHING OF ANOTHER'S SEXUAL/INTIMATE PAR			3
FORGERY 1ST:GOV INSTRUMENT	2		
FORGERY 2:DEED/WILL/CONTRACT	3	1	2
FORGERY 2ND: PUBLIC RECORD			2
FORGERY 2ND:MED PRESCRIPTION		1	1
FORGERY 2ND:OFFICIAL DOCUMENT	2	1	
FORGERY 2ND:TOKENS	2	2	2
FORGERY-3RD	1	2	4
FRAUD TO DECEIT		1	
FRAUD TO DECEIT-FALSE NAME		1	
FRAUDULENT ACCOSTING		1	
GR LAR 4:VALUE PROPERTY >\$1000	39	42	49
GR LAR-4TH:FIREARMS	1		1
GR LARC-2ND:PROP VALUE >\$50000	2	2	3
GR LARCENY-4TH:AUTO OVER \$100	8	3	3
GRAND LARCENY 3RD DEGREE	19	10	5
GRAND LARCENY 3RD DEGREE: AS A HATE CRIME			1
GRAND LARCENY 3RD DEGREE: PROPERTY VALUE EXCEEDS \$	32	29	35
GRAND LARCENY 3RD: VALUE GREATER THAN \$3000 AS A H			1
GRAND LARCENY-4TH:CREDIT CARD	30	26	44
GRAND LARCENY-4TH:PHONE SERV		1	2

HARASSMENT 1ST-STALKING	1	1	2
HARASSMENT 2ND	7	9	5
HARASSMENT-2ND	14	12	28
HARASSMENT-2ND:PHY CONTACT	86	124	78
HARRASSMENT-2ND:FOLLOW PERSON	3	3	2
HEALTH CARE FRAUD-5TH DEGREE		1	
HINDERING PROSECUTION-2ND		1	3
I.C.E. WARRANT	1		
IDENTITY THEFT 1- OBTAIN GOODS	4	4	14
IDENTITY THEFT 1:COMMIT IDENTITY THEFT 2/PREVIOUS	1		
IDENTITY THEFT 1-COMMIT FELONY	5	6	29
IDENTITY THEFT 1ST- CAUSE LOSS	4	1	2
IDENTITY THEFT 1ST DEGREE			1
IDENTITY THEFT 2- OBTAIN GOODS	12	5	28
IDENTITY THEFT 2-COMMIT FELONY	3	8	5
IDENTITY THEFT 2ND- CAUSE LOSS	1	3	1
IDENTITY THEFT 2ND DEGREE	1		1
IDENTITY THEFT 3-OBTAIN GOODS	7	11	27
IDENTITY THEFT 3RD DEGREE			1
ILL SIGNAL:LESS THAN 100 FEET	1		
ILL SIGNAL:UNSAFE/FAIL TO	4	1	
ILL SIGNAL-FRoM PARKED POSITON	2		
ILL USE/SALE NITROUS OXIDE			3
ILLEGAL TIRES	2		
IMMIGRATION VIOLATION OVERSTAY		1	
IMPEDE TRAFFIC:DRIVE TOO SLOW	1		
IMPROPER LANE:LEFT TURN	2		
IMPROPER LEFT TURN:2 WAY ROAD	1		
INADEQUATE OR NO STOP LAMPS			1
INDECENT COMP MAT MINOR 2ND		2	
INSURANCE FRAUD-3RD:> \$3000	1		
INSURANCE FRAUD-5TH	4		1
ISS BAD CHK:W/KNOW INSUFF FUND	1	1	
JOSTLING HAND NEAR POCKET	1		
LABOR TRAFFICKING: WITHHOLD PASSPORT/IMMIGRATION D		1	
LEAVE DOG CAR EXTREME WEATHER			2
LEAVE INJURY ACCIDENT- PRIOR	1		
LEWDNESS-EXPOSE BODY IN PUBLIC	2	2	1
LIC PLATE VIOL:IMPROPER PLATES		1	
LIC PLATE VIOL:REG PLATE DISP		2	
MAKING GRAFFITI	29	5	15
MENACING POLICE/PEACE OFFICER			1

MENACING-2ND	1		
MENACING-2ND:WEAPON	6	10	4
MENACING-3RD	4	2	3
MONEY LAUNDERING-4TH			1
MV LICENSE VIOL IMPROP LICENS	1		
MV LICENSE VIOL:NO LICENSE	4	4	3
MV VIOL:FAIL NOTFY ADDRESS CHG	1	1	
MV VIOL:FAIL NOTIFY ADRESS CHG		1	
MV VIOL:OPER UNREGISTERED VEH		1	
MV VIOL:REGISTRATION SUSPENDED		1	
NO/INSUFFICIENT TAIL LAMPS	1		
OBSCENITY-3RD	1		
OBSTRCTNG TRAFFIC AT INTRSECTN	1		
OBSTRUCT GOVERNMENTL ADMIN-2ND	3	3	3
OFF MISC:PUB SER PRFRM IL FUNC		1	
OPER LEAVES SCENE OF ACCIDENT	2		
OPER MOTOR VEH W/ .08 OF 1% OR MORE ALCOHOL IN BLO	3	1	
OPER MOTOR VEHICLE W/O INS	1	1	
OPER MV W/O INSPECT CERTIFICAT	5	1	
OPER MV WHEN LIC/REGIS IS SUSP		1	
OPER UNREGISTERED MOTORCYCLE	1		
OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLE WITHOUT INSURANCE		1	
OPERATING MOTOR VEHICLE IMPAIRED BY DRUGS 1ST OFFE		2	
PASS CHK W/INSUF FNDS/REF-PAY		1	
PASSED VEHICLE ON RIGHT		1	
PERJURY-3RD			1
PERSON IN NEED OF SUPERVISION		3	2
PERSON LESS THAN 21 OBTN ALCOHOL-FRAUD	1		
PETIT LARCENY	94	107	89
PETIT LARCENY/AS A HATE CRIME			1
POS OBSCENE MAT:SELL MINOR 2ND			1
POSSESS FORGED INSTRUMENT-1ST	15	3	5
POSSESS FORGED INSTRUMENT-2ND	8	14	32
POSSESS FORGED INSTRUMENT-3RD	2	2	2
POSSESS OR TRANSPORT OR OFFER FOR SALE UNSTAMPED C		1	
POSSESS/TRANSPORT/OFFER FOR SALE UNSTAMPED CIGARET			1
POSSESSION HYPODERMIC INSTRUMT	4	5	2
POSSESSION OF BURGLAR TOOLS	2	2	2
POSSESSION OF GRAFFITI INST	3	2	8
PRESEDENTIAL THREAT			1
PROH USE OF WEAP		1	
PROMOTE A SEXUAL PERFORMANCE BY A CHILD <17 YRS OF		1	

PUB APP UNDR INFL NARC/DRUG			1
PUBLIC LEWDNESS	2	2	2
RAPE 3: VICTIM <17, PERP >21	4	2	
RAPE:INCAPABLE OF CONSENT	1		
RAPE:INTRCRSE FE PHYS HELPLESS	1		
RAPE-1ST	2		
RAPE-1ST:FORCIBLE COMPULSION	9	2	
RECEIVING UNLAWFUL GRATUITIES		1	
RECKLESS DRIVING	2	1	
RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT PROPERTY	2		1
RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT-1ST	5	2	1
RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT-2ND	5	11	6
REFUSAL TO TAKE BREATH TEST	2		
RESISTING ARREST	6	8	4
REVOKE PAROLE/COND RELEASE/PRS		2	1
ROB-1ST:FORC THEFT/DEADLY WEAP	4		4
ROB-2ND:CAUSES PHYSICAL INJURY		1	
ROBBERY-1ST:DISPLAYS FIREARM	1	1	4
ROBBERY-1ST:USE DANGER INSTRMT	3	1	
ROBBERY-2ND		2	
ROBBERY-2ND:AIDED BY ANOTHER		3	
ROBBERY-2ND:DISPLAYS FIREARM		1	
ROBBERY-3RD	1		2
RT OF WAY VIOL:LEFT TURN	2		
SALE/EXPOSING DISEASED ANIMAL	1		
SCHEME DEF 1ST:10 OR> PERSONS		1	6
SCHEME DEF 1ST:PROPERTY> \$1000		2	5
SCHEME TO DEFRAUD-1ST DEGREE			1
SCHEME TO DEFRAUD-2ND DEGREE		1	
SELL CIGARETTE BELOW COST W/INTENT AVOID TAX/HARM		1	
SEX ABUSE:VICTIM PHYS HELPLESS	1		
SEX OFF FAIL VERIFY-PRIOR OFF		1	
SEX OFFENDER FAIL REPORT CHANGE ADDR/STATUS IN 10		1	1
SEX OFFENDER FAIL TO MAIL VERIF FORM IN 10 DAYS-1S		1	
SEX TRAFFICKING: WITHHOLD PASSPORT/IMMIGRATION DOC		1	
SEXUAL ABUSE 1: VICTIM LESS THAN 13/DEFENDANT 21 O			1
SEXUAL MISCONDUCT: ORAL/ANAL SEXUAL CONDUCT WITHOU	1	1	
SPEED VIOL:EXCEED 55 MPH	1		1
SPEED VIOL:EXCEED CONDITIONS	1	1	
SPEED VIOL:IMPRUDENT SPEED	1	1	
SPEED VIOL:POSTED LIMIT	4	2	1
STALKING 4TH:AT EMPLOYMENT	1		

STALKING 4TH:CAUSE FEAR		1	1
STALKING 4TH:ILL COMMUNICATE		4	5
STRANGULATION 2ND-OBSTRUCT BREATH/BLOOD CIRC-CAUSE	1	1	
SX ABUSE:CONTCT-FORCBL COMPLSN	4	2	
TAKE INCAP PERSON FOR TREATMNT	3	2	4
TAMPERING/CONSUMER PRODUCT 2ND			1
THREW/DEPOSITED REFUSE ON HWAY			1
TORTURE/INJURE/NOT FEED ANIMAL	1		2
TRADEMARK COUNTERFEITING 3RD	1		
TRAFFIC DEVICE VIOL:RED	2	1	
TRESPASS	28	42	25
UNAUTH PRACTICE OF PROFESSION		2	
UNAUTH USE VEH:W/O OWNER CNSNT		2	3
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF VEHICLE-2		1	
UNL OPER ATV PVT PROP NO CONS			1
UNLAW DEAL CHILD-1ST:ALCOHOL	5	1	
UNLAW GROW CANNABIS	5	4	13
UNLAW POSS ALC PERSN UNDER 21	4	2	
UNLAW POSS/USE FIREWORKS	2		
UNLAW POSSESS NOXIOUS MATTER		1	
UNLAWFUL DUMPING			1
UNLAWFUL ENTRY / VIOLATION		1	
UNLAWFUL IMPRISONMENT 2ND	10	11	3
UNLAWFUL POSS PERSONAL ID- 3RD		2	5
UNLAWFUL POSS WEAPON PERSON<16	6		
UNLAWFUL POSSESSION MARIHUANA	36	30	12
UNLAWFUL POSSESSION SKIMMER DEVICE 2ND:INTEND IDEN			4
UNLAWFUL USE OF CREDIT CARD		1	
UNLAWFULLY SELLING FIREWORKS		1	
USE FRD/DECEIT OBTN CONT SUBST	4	4	
USE VEH:BY TEMP CUSTD-NO CNSNT	1		1
VIO PROB-F			1
VIOL PROB-M	1	1	
VIOLATE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY REQUIREMENT-1ST OFFE			1
(blank)	248	333	266
Grand Total	1564	1527	1431

## Family Services Unit

Calls for service	1157
Reports	147
Adult arrest	33
JV arrest	23
Investigations	638
School events	79
Referral to CPS/MH	7
Sex offender registry	63
Senior Programs	6
DARE classes taught	176

## Family Services Unit Programs:

During 2013 FSU members also taught the following programs to our schools and community. These multi-faceted programs are designed as outreach programs and are taught in a variety of locations in town. The purpose of these programs is awareness, education, safety and crime prevention. During the year these family services programs reached our community's youth, parents and elderly population in efforts to raise awareness and partner with the community.

### In school programs (50 programs taught)

### Community Programs (21 programs taught)

Internet safety

Cell/internet safety

Investigations Q + A

School safety (for parents)

US Constitution and Law

Personal safety

Career Day

Camp Counselor Training

CSI

Fingerprinting

Fingerprinting

Crimes against the elderly

Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety

Consequences of Actions

Officer friendly

BYC Code of conduct

Constitution Day

Officer friendly

Men/Women in law enforcement

Halloween tour and safety

Halloween safety

BYC Induction

Santa letters

Station Tours

## PATROL DIVISION

### Patrol:

	2011	2012	2013
Motor vehicle stops	7,490	5,391	4,159
Traffic Arrests	5,610	4,033	2,226
Speed Arrests	576	499	297
DWI Arrests	92	65	53
Violation Arrests	184	91	108
Misdemeanor Arrests	681	943	501
Felony Arrests	210	108	105
Seat Belt/ Child Restraint Violations	514	201	110
Cell Phone Use	116	83	68
Parking/Warning Tickets	205	117	210
Traffic Details in response to Community Concerns	2209	1,817	1,484
Fatal Accidents	1	2	0
Personal Injury Accidents	116	119	129
Alcohol Related Personal Injury Accidents	6	4	3
Property Damage Accidents	586	521	508
Property Damage Accidents (Non-Reportable)	362	337	326
Property Checks	11,001	10,676	9,718
<b>Total</b>	<b>29,959</b>	<b>25,007</b>	<b>20,005</b>

### SELECTED ANIMAL CONTROL CALLS

	2011	2012	2013
<b>Information Requested</b>	1	8	1
<b>Animal Annoying</b>	275	360	256
<b>Animal Bite</b>	19	20	17
<b>Animal Cruelty</b>	58	71	54
<b>Dead/Injured Animal</b>	285	251	290
<b>Lost animal</b>	170	163	160
<b>Found Animal</b>	152	142	156
<b>Rabies Investigation</b>	51	106	116
<b>Running at Large</b>	278	277	209
<b>Trapped Animal</b>	5	8	7
<b>Animal other</b>	112	90	133
<b>Total</b>	<b>1406</b>	<b>1496</b>	<b>1399</b>

## CALLS FOR SERVICE

### Calls for Service by Dispatch Type:

<b>911 EQUIPMENT FAILURE</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>ABC-UNDER AGE DRINKING (65C)</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>ACCIDENT-LEAVING THE SCENE OF A PDA</b>	<b>89</b>
<b>ACCIDENT-LEAVING THE SCENE OF A PIA</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>ACCIDENT-OTHER</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>ACCIDENT-PERSONAL INJURY AUTO</b>	<b>146</b>
<b>ACCIDENT-PROPERTY DAMAGE AUTO</b>	<b>817</b>
<b>ACCIDENT-PROPERTY DAMAGE-NO REPORT</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>ACCIDENT-Unknown Injury Auto</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>ALARM-BURGLARY NON-BANK</b>	<b>1053</b>
<b>ALARM-BURGLARY-BANK</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>ALARM-OTHER</b>	<b>101</b>
<b>ALARM-ROBBERY BANK</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>ALARM-ROBBERY NON-BANK</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>ALL OTHER INCIDENTS</b>	<b>1342</b>
<b>ALL OTHER SELF INITIATED ACTIVITY</b>	<b>140</b>
<b>Animal Control Request for info</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-All Other</b>	<b>133</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-Animal Annoying</b>	<b>256</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-Animal Cruelty</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-Animal In Trap</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-Dead/Injured Animal</b>	<b>290</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-Dog Bite to Human</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-Dog Killing Animal</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-Dog Running at Large</b>	<b>209</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-Found Animal</b>	<b>156</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-General Assistance</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-Lost Animal</b>	<b>160</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-Overdue Dog License Inv</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL-Possibly Rabid Animal</b>	<b>116</b>
<b>ARREST-BENCH WARRANT-BETHLEHEM COURT</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>ARREST-BETHLEHEM COURT WARRANT</b>	<b>92</b>
<b>ARREST-OTHER</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Assist FBI - Task Force</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>ASSIST-AMBULANCE/EMS</b>	<b>2725</b>
<b>ASSIST-CDPC</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>ASSIST-CITIZEN (DIRECTIONS,INFO,ETC)</b>	<b>828</b>
<b>ASSIST-FIRE DEPARTMENT (RESCUE/TRAFFIC)</b>	<b>719</b>

<b>ASSIST-OTHER</b>	25
<b>ASSIST-OTHER PD/LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY</b>	336
<b>AWOL FROM INSTITUTION-NOT FILE 6 YET</b>	8
<b>BURGLARY</b>	56
<b>CHECK-FOR DEBRIS IN ROADWAY</b>	142
<b>CHECK-FOR EXPLOSION</b>	3
<b>CHECK-FOR FLOODING CONDITION</b>	11
<b>CHECK-FOR GAS ODOR/LEAK</b>	1
<b>CHECK-FOR WIRES DOWN/ARCING</b>	51
<b>CHECK-ON ROAD CONDITION</b>	28
<b>Child Safety Seat Check</b>	56
<b>COMMUNITY CONTACT</b>	1
<b>Court Security Detail</b>	77
<b>Court Security Detail Property Vouchered</b>	1
<b>CRIMINAL MISCHIEF</b>	196
<b>Detective Office Investigation</b>	195
<b>DISORDERLY CONDUCT/PERSON</b>	1
<b>DISPUTE-CIVIL</b>	23
<b>DISPUTE-DOMESTIC-BELIEVED/NON-VIOLENT</b>	144
<b>DISPUTE-NEIGHBOR</b>	37
<b>DNA Sample</b>	4
<b>DRUG RELATED INCIDENT</b>	49
<b>Equip in need of service</b>	25
<b>FAMILY COURT ORDER VIOLATION</b>	15
<b>Family Services Programs</b>	391
<b>Fingerprinting</b>	154
<b>FIREWORKS</b>	38
<b>FOIL Request</b>	180
<b>FOLLOW-UP</b>	781
<b>FORGERY</b>	127
<b>HARASSMENT</b>	54
<b>HARASSMENT-AGGRAVATED</b>	135
<b>HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</b>	17
<b>INFORMATION-POLICE/GENERAL</b>	863
<b>LANDLORD/TENANT DISPUTE</b>	15
<b>LARCENY-BAD CHECKS</b>	16
<b>LARCENY-GENERAL PETIT/GRAND</b>	354
<b>LARCENY-POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY</b>	4
<b>LARCENY-SHOPLIFTING PETIT/GRAND</b>	119
<b>LARCENY-THEFT OF SERVICES</b>	4
<b>Letter of Good Standing</b>	4

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## 2013 SYNOPSIS OF SIGNIFICANT CASES

January 25, 2013 - After a four month investigation into an armed home invasion and assault in Elm Estates, detectives are able to secure two sealed indictments against the individuals who are responsible for this heinous crime. The two subjects are indicted on eight violent felony counts of robbery, burglary, criminal possession of a weapon, assault, and strangulation. Both defendants end up pleading guilty and are sentenced to 14 year terms in state prison. 12-14608

January 31, 2013 – After a long term investigation into a series of burglaries and car larcenies over the summer of 2012, Bethlehem Detectives receive a grand jury indictment for the subject responsible for multiple larcenies and burglaries in the Slingerlands and Delmar area. After his arrest the defendant pleads guilty and is sent to State Prison. 12-09780.

February 5, 2013 – Bethlehem and Albany detectives work jointly on a series of commercial burglaries and are able to identify a known repeat burglar as the responsible party for these crimes. He is arrested for the burglaries in Bethlehem and later returns to state prison for his crimes. 12-19578

February 19, 2013 – Bethlehem detectives identify a Menands man as being responsible for a series of forged checks passed at multiple financial institutions around the capital district. He is later arrested and convicted of a felony offense. 13-01962

February 20, 2013- Police conduct an in-depth investigation into a fatal fire at a residence in Glenmont. The homeowner died as a result of smoke inhalation and the fire is ruled accidental. 13-02778

February 25, 2013 – After being contacted in reference to a suspicious person, detectives develop information that a fugitive is attempting to launder money through a Delmar business. After three days of surveillance with Parole officers and US Marshals the defendant is arrested by Bethlehem Police after getting off a CDTA bus in Delmar. He is subsequently returned to state prison. 13-02348

February 25, 2013 – Police investigate the passing of counterfeit currency at the Selkirk Stewart's store. After an investigation into the case a suspect is developed. He is located and arrested by Bethlehem detectives and members of the US Secret Service. The defendant later pleads guilty and is sentenced to state prison. 13-02781

March 6, 2013 – A subject was arrested while committing an in-progress burglary in Delmar. During the course of this investigation it was determined that the subject was being deceitful and giving a false name. Detectives worked diligently to obtain his true identity and later determined that he was wanted in both North Carolina and Colorado for burglaries. In addition to the Delmar burglary he was charged as a fugitive from justice and later sentenced to state prison time, before being sent to these states. He was also determined to be a criminal gang member. 13-03467

April 4, 2013- After investigating a series of fire at the Glenmont Job Corps, detectives arrest a resident for felony arson and reckless endangerment. The defendant later pleads guilty to setting the fires. 13-04974.

April 15, 2013- A complaint is made in reference to a house keeper who is reportedly stealing from residences that she works at. After tracking the stolen property and locating the suspect, detectives make an arrest. The woman a long-time family friend is responsible for stealing thousands of dollars from the homes of elderly people and pawning the valuables. She later pleads guilty to a felony offense. 13-04820

April 17, 2013 – After investigating a larceny from a Glenmont business and locating an unoccupied stolen vehicle in Slingerlands, detectives close in on their suspect. After arriving at the residence, a mother-son team are subsequently arrested for an elaborate scheme of stealing brand new vehicles, and license plates from capital district car dealerships. Detectives locate multiple stolen vehicles in one day, including one in the defendant's driveway. The actions of this investigation solved multiple vehicle thefts in Albany, Schenectady and Rensselaer counties. The mother-son duo were both sentenced to state prison as a result of this investigation. 13-05561, 13-05650, and 13-05690.

April 22, 2013- After a series of burglaries in Selkirk and the Town of Colonie, both agencies are able to determine a series of suspects. The suspects are subsequently indicted for over a half dozen burglaries in the capital district and sent to state prison.

13-00726 and 13-00734

April 25, 2103 – Bethlehem detectives conduct a traffic stop on a New York City Taxi just before midnight in the Selkirk area, for violations of the vehicle and traffic law. The investigation results in the vehicle being searched and thousands of dollars in cash and untaxed cigarettes are located in the vehicle and seized. The Bronx man driving the vehicle is arrested and charged with various Penal and Tax Law crimes. He later pleads guilty and forfeits the cash to the Town. 13-06103

May 21, 2103 – Bethlehem Detectives work jointly with the DEA over several months in reference to a subject selling prescription pills illegally. The subject is ultimately arrested for multiple felony counts of criminal sale of a controlled substance. 13-02850 and

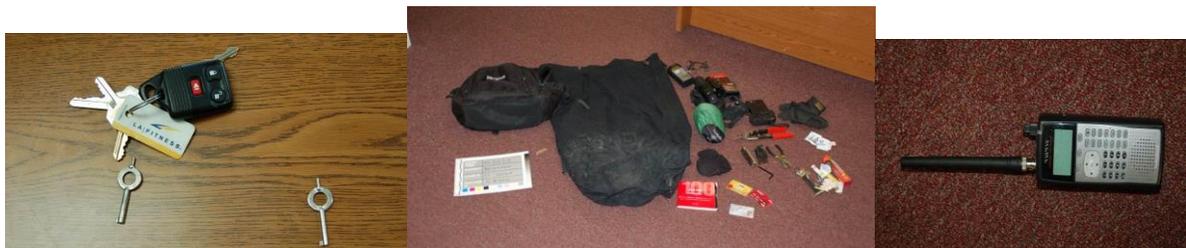
13-07484

June 24, 2013 – After investigating a residential burglary in Delmar, and working on a recent burglary pattern in the capital district, a suspect was identified and arrested in Colonie while attempting to commit further burglaries, while operating a car stolen from a Delmar burglary. Bethlehem and Colonie detectives worked together to recover stolen property and to obtain a confession and DNA evidence against the defendant, a four time felon. He is later sentenced to twelve years in state prison for his role in these burglaries and thefts. 13-09586, 13-09418 and 13-09281

July 3, 2103 – As a result of a lengthy fugitive investigation, detectives and US Marshals locate and arrest a Selkirk man wanted for failing to register as a sex offender. 12-18568

July 5, 2013 – Police began investigating a series of Postal Money Orders that were being sent to a White Plains man under fraudulent pretenses that the elderly victim had won the Jamaican lottery. Detectives were able to develop a suspect and traveled to White Plains to affect his arrest. He later confessed to detectives that he was targeting the elderly to make money. He was arrested for Grand Larceny, Scheme to Defraud and Money laundering; his charges were elevated to hate crimes for his targeting of the vulnerable elderly population. The investigation also determined that the subject was wanted as a fugitive from justice in the state of Georgia, and he was charged accordingly as well. The defendant later pled guilty and was sent to state prison. 13-08166

July 19, 2013 – After a series of burglaries and larcenies at the Vista Technology campus. Detectives locate a vehicle and suspect, who came from the state of Kentucky to visit friends. After locating and arresting the subject he is arrested for the crimes and found to have a large amount of stolen property and survival gear in his vehicle. He later pleads guilty to felony burglary charges.



July 24, 2013 – Bethlehem detectives conduct a traffic stop during a STOP DWI blanket patrol. The occupant of the vehicle, a Georgia man, is subsequently arrested for felony criminal possession of cocaine. His vehicle and currency are seized and later forfeited to the Police Department. 13-11598

August 5, 2013 – Bethlehem detectives coordinated a multi-agency raid on the Glenmont Chinese Buffett, in reference to credit card skimming. Multiple agencies participated in the raid that resulted in the arrest of three individuals for federal immigration warrants. Additionally, another subject was arrested after being the first person in the Town of Bethlehem found in possession of an illegal credit card skimming device. This subject later pleads guilty and is sentenced to state prison. The other three subjects are turned over to federal immigration officials and later deported. The case continues to grow and over 45 victims in the capital district are identified. Bethlehem detectives continue to lead the investigation that includes members of the FBI, US Secret Service, Department of Homeland Security, State Police, Colonie Police, Albany Police, East Greenbush Police, and Rensselaer Police. Bethlehem detectives are able to identify a source location in New York City and the case has ties to multiple other states. Detectives work with state, local and federal investigators and additional search warrants are executed and arrests made in the states of Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Illinois and Tennessee. The investigation would continue throughout the year and continue to grow in complexity and both the number of victims and the number of suspects. 13-12267



August 8, 2013- Bethlehem police take a report of a dog being abandoned in a wooded area in Glenmont. Based on the investigation and information developed, detectives arrest three Selkirk residents on animal cruelty charges. 13-12166

August 21, 2103 – A man disguised in construction clothes robs the Slingerlands Trustco Bank and displays a handgun, and flees with cash. After a day of proactive policing and lead development, and despite being fully masked and disguised within twenty-four hours detectives develop a suspect and locate the suspect vehicle. Detectives continue to work throughout the night and executed multiple search warrants on the suspect’s home in Montgomery County, vehicle and cell phone. As a result a statewide manhunt commences with the aid of the New York State Police. After one week of round-the-clock police work, the suspect is arrested in the state of South Carolina, and Bethlehem police send a tip to the North Myrtle Beach Police Department. The suspect is subsequently extradited back to New York by Bethlehem Detectives and State Police Investigators. He later pleads guilty in Albany County Court, and is sentenced to nine years in state prison. 13-13235



August 27, 2013 - After a series of thefts of large construction excavation equipment. Bethlehem detectives locate all of the stolen property in Greene County. After contacting State Police and obtaining a search warrant detective recover over \$340,000 in stolen construction equipment. The items had been stolen from Albany, Greene and Rensselaer counties, and closed over a dozen cases with two arrests. 13-13444, 13-13449 and 13-13452.

October 28, 2103 – After investigating a burglary to a Selkirk business detectives determine that the suspect is operating a vehicle that was reported stolen in the City of Albany. Further, detectives are able to track the vehicle and the suspect to Essex County where it is involved in the theft of lottery tickets. Detectives subsequently identify the suspect, who confesses to the burglary and the theft of the vehicle, as well as to numerous thefts from motor vehicles in the City of Albany. He is later sentenced to state prison. 13-17255.

November 11, 2013 – After an investigation into a report of animal cruelty and maltreated equines, police execute a search warrant on a horse farm in Delmar. The two proprietors of the property are arrested for eight counts of animal cruelty. Eight equines are seized from the property for their own safety. 13-16732

November 27, 2013 – While continuing their investigation into credit card skimming and Identity Theft at the Glenmont Golden Town Buffett, detectives travel to Foxwoods Casino in the State of Connecticut and locate one of their suspects gambling around 1 o'clock- in the morning. After interviewing the suspect and obtaining a confession, the suspect is arrested by the Tribal Police as a fugitive from justice from the Town of Bethlehem. The suspect is subsequently arraigned in District Court in Connecticut and waives extradition, and is returned to New York by Bethlehem detectives. He later pleads guilty to multiple counts of identity theft and is sentenced to state prison. 13-11651 and 13-11958

December 5, 2013 – Bethlehem detectives work with US Department of Labor officials, and arrest a Selkirk man for Defrauding the Government and Grand Larceny, after an investigation into a series of incidents on government property in Selkirk. He later pleads guilty to a felony. 13-19248

December 13, 2013 – Based upon an identity theft report Bethlehem detectives obtain a Superior Court warrant issued, by Albany County Court for a defendant who failed to appear in court. After tracking leads from Delmar to Albany, to Maryland and then the state of Washington, detectives obtain a possible address for the defendant. Based upon this information deputies from the Kitsap County Sheriff's Office in the State of Washington arrest the defendant. She is later extradited back to New York State by the District Attorney's office and indicted by Bethlehem police for felony bail jumping charges. 12-07046 and 13-20042.

December 26, 2013 – After receiving a report of a deceased individual in a Glenmont parking lot detectives began an intensive investigation. It was later determined that the subject had died due to natural causes. 13-20384

***As continued proof that crime knows no boundaries in 2013 alone, Bethlehem detectives traveled to the following counties on investigations, cases and arrests; Schenectady, Greene, Ulster, Orange, Schuyler, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Warren, Montgomery, Fulton, Westchester.***

***One fugitive was also extradited by detectives from the State of South Carolina and returned to Bethlehem to face felony bank robbery charges. Another fugitive was extradited by detectives from the State of Connecticut back to Bethlehem to face charges of Identity Theft and Possession of a Forged Instrument.***

***Based on an investigation into an active felony warrant issued by Albany County Court, Bethlehem Detectives develop leads that the defendant has fled and is living in northern Washington, just south of the Canadian border. Information is relayed to Sheriff's Deputies in the State of Washington and the defendant is arrested and extradited back to New York by Investigators from the District Attorney's Office, to face charges.***

*Detectives also traveled to the States of Massachusetts and Rhode Island in the furtherance of their criminal investigations.*

## 2013 Officer of the Year Award

The 2013 Officer of the Year Award went to all members of the Detectives and Family Services Unit.



The Detectives assigned to the department Special Services Division are responsible for the investigation of all major crimes and unattended deaths in the Town of Bethlehem. They conduct extensive background investigations of applicants for employment and are responsible for the security, storage, accountability and disposition of all evidence and property coming in to the possession of the police department. They work cases with investigators and Detectives from other law enforcement agencies including local police, state and federal authorities. They assist patrol officers in investigations and arrests and ensure continuity in the chain of evidence necessary for the successful prosecution of a criminal case.

Over the years there has been an increasing demand on investigators for information and supporting facts and documentation when pursuing a criminal prosecution. To assure a successful outcome in a criminal case Detectives are held to a standard of proof, which must be met. The close working

relationship with the Albany County District Attorney's Office has provided the town with their part of the criminal justice system which is efficient, effective and fair, maintaining a sensitivity to both the victim and the offender.

Notable investigation during 2013:

1. Detectives secured sealed indictments of two individuals responsible for an armed violent home invasion in Elm Estates. These efforts resulted in both subjects receiving 14-year prison sentences.
2. Investigated a series of construction equipment larcenies and located stolen property in excess of \$340,000, solving cases in Rensselaer, Greene and Albany County, resulting in multiple felony arrests.
3. Assisted in the arrest of an in-progress burglary arrest in Delmar, and worked diligently to ascertain the defendant's true identity, uncovering the fact that he was a fugitive from justice wanted in two states for violent felonies.
4. Conducted an investigation into crimes against the elderly, and arrested a White Plains man on felony charges relating to a Jamaican Lottery scam. Detectives were pioneers in Albany County by securing the first hate crime indictment against an individual who targeted the elderly. These actions led to the arrest of a man also wanted in Georgia, who subsequently pled to state prison time.
5. Worked with Colonie and Albany Police to apprehend a homeless ex-con responsible for committing multiple residential day-time jewelry burglaries.
6. Led the investigation into a series of stolen vehicles from car dealerships in two other counties; resulting in the arrest of a mother and son team and recovering three stolen vehicles in one day.
7. Worked with parole officers and US Marshal's to apprehend a wanted fugitive who was attempting to launder money through a Delmar business.
8. Led the investigation and arrest of a man responsible for stealing a car in Albany, then committing a burglary in Selkirk, and committing other crimes in Essex County.
9. Located and arrested a Kentucky man in reference to a series of larcenies and burglaries at the Vista Technology Campus, which led to the recovery of all of the stolen property.
10. Led the investigation into the Trustco Bank Robbery in Slingerlands, and worked with authorizes in five states, and dozens of agencies to identify and apprehend the masked offender in an unprecedentedly quick fashion.
11. Worked to quickly identify and apprehend the Delmar Citizen's bank robber, and recover large amounts of physical evidence.
12. Spearheaded an on-going multi agency effort of local, state and federal law enforcement officers into a large scale identity theft case involving skimming credit cards at a Glenmont

restaurant. This has resulted in six arrests, and similar search warrants and investigations in Connecticut, Rhode Island and Pennsylvania.

- -The special services unit was responsible for the seizure and recovery of over half a million dollars in stolen property, cash and assets during cases investigated in 2013.
- -Detectives were responsible for investigating 838 cases, which resulted in the arrests of over 150 individuals.
- -Detectives were also responsible for executing 22 search warrants.
- -Detectives were also responsible for conducting and leading 11 fire investigations, including two fatal fires. Arson arrests and convictions were also reached in all incendiary fires in the town in 2013, maintaining the agency's unusually high arrest and conviction rate for this violent and dangerous crime.
- -Detectives conducted 31 unattended death investigations in the last twelve months.

While the victims to the crimes the special services members investigated are here in the Town of Bethlehem, the suspects and their criminal activity continues outside of even the Capital District. In 2013 alone, detectives traveled to the states of South Carolina, Connecticut and Rhode Island to effect arrests and further investigations. Further, they worked closely with authorities in the State of Washington and the district attorney's office to arrest and extradite a fugitive who was wanted for crimes in the Town of Bethlehem. Detectives also traveled to Saratoga, Schenectady, Greene, Ulster, Orange, Rensselaer, Warren, Schuyler, and Westchester counties, in addition to multiple boroughs in New York City during the furtherance of their investigations.

