



**2016**

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**Cape Girardeau Police Department**

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## Mission Statement



The mission of the Cape Girardeau Police Department is to protect life, property, and the rights of persons; to enforce ordinances and laws; and to preserve peace, order, and safety.

In the pursuit of our mission, the Cape Girardeau Police Department will establish effective relationships with the community through community partnerships, community involvement, and by nurturing public trust. We will hold ourselves to the highest standards of performance and ethics. We will be constantly aware of the needs of our community and those we serve. We will consider innovative strategies to improve working conditions and policing programs in order to enhance our service. We will continually strive toward community problem solving and accountability.

We will, through concerted efforts, improve the overall quality of life in our community.

# Chief's Message



I am honored to invite you to review the 2016 annual report of the Cape Girardeau Police Department. The last year was a productive one with work beginning on our new police facility that we hope to have completed in the spring of 2018. I am proud to be associated with an outstanding law enforcement agency at such an exciting time.

The police department continually sets ambitious goals for providing quality service and making Cape Girardeau a safe community in which to work and live. The men and women of the Cape Girardeau Police Department dedicate themselves daily to providing a safe environment for our citizens, business owners and visitors. We commit to serve the citizens of Cape Girardeau with integrity, honesty and transparency.

A key ingredient of our success is input from the citizens we serve. As in previous years, we place a premium on engaging with our community to solve problems that affect our neighborhoods. I encourage you to contact us with your concerns or comments as we strive toward providing exceptional service.

On behalf of all of the staff at your Cape Girardeau Police Department, I want to thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to serving you with pride in 2017.



**Wes Blair, Chief of Police**

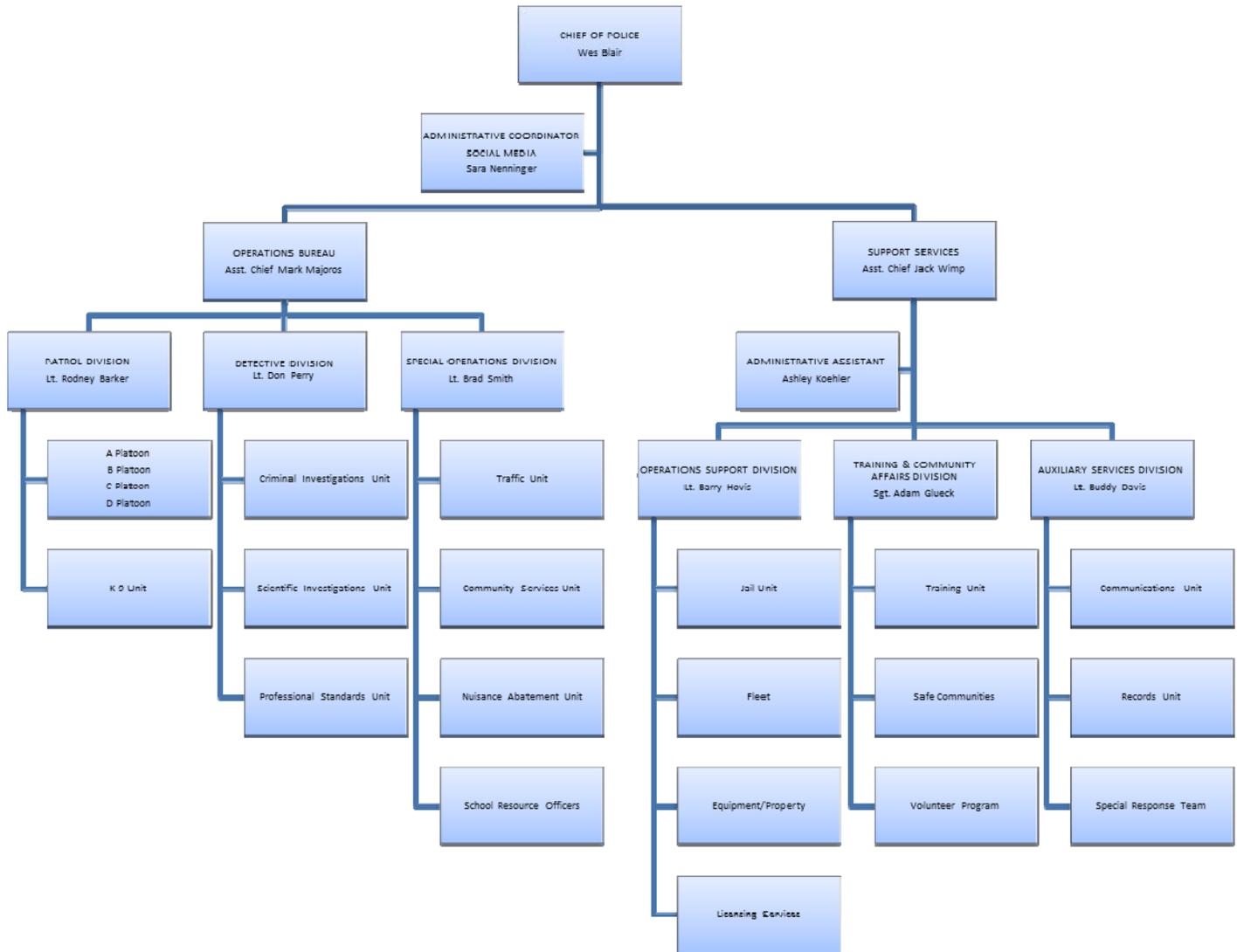


## Administrative Staff

### L to R:

- Sara Nenninger, Administrative Coordinator/  
Social Media Specialist;
- Chief Wes Blair;
- Assistant Chief Mark Majoros;
- Assistant Chief Jack Wimp;
- Lieutenant Barry Hovis;
- Lieutenant Rodney Barker;
- Lieutenant Don Perry;
- Lieutenant John "Buddy" Davis;
- Ashley Koehler, Administrative Assistant

# Organizational Chart





# Operations Bureau

Bureau Commander:  
Assistant Chief Mark Majoros

# Patrol Division



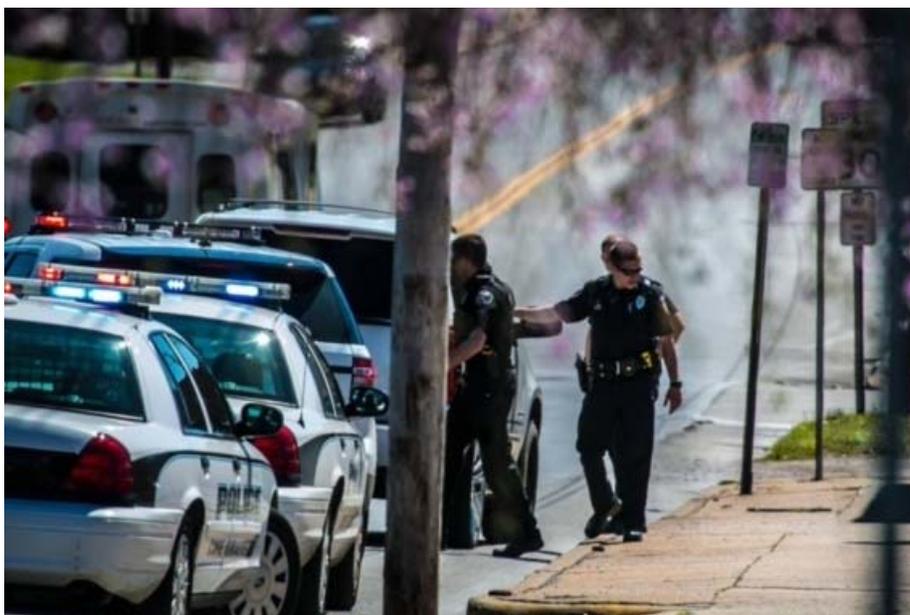
<i>Calls for Service:</i>	63,609
<i>Written Reports:</i>	8,785
<i>Arrests:</i>	3,166
<i>Juveniles Cited:</i>	227

**Division Supervisor:** Lt. Rodney Barker

When a citizen or visitor calls the Cape Girardeau Police Department for assistance, the initial responding officer is assigned to the Patrol Division. Officers of the Cape Girardeau Police Department who are assigned to the Patrol Division handle all of the initial investigative duties that pertain to calls for service in the City of Cape Girardeau. These officers meet with the reporting person, interview witnesses and suspects, collect evidence, and effect arrests. If a scene or criminal investigation is complex, the patrol officer can request the assistance from a specialized unit for additional investigative resources; however, the initial case is worked by the patrol officer.

In 2016, The City of Cape Girardeau added a fifth patrol zone. All five zones are staffed full-time. There are four Platoons that provide police services within the City of Cape Girardeau 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. Each platoon is supervised by a sergeant, corporal, and is staffed by police officers to ensure an efficient and effective patrol response.

The Cape Girardeau Police Department also began tracking mental-health related calls with reports in May 2016. We average three mental-health crisis reports a week, and during 2016 we became more equipped to handle such calls. Twenty-three of our officers have undergone Crisis-Intervention Team (CIT) Training. This allows at least one CIT officer per shift.

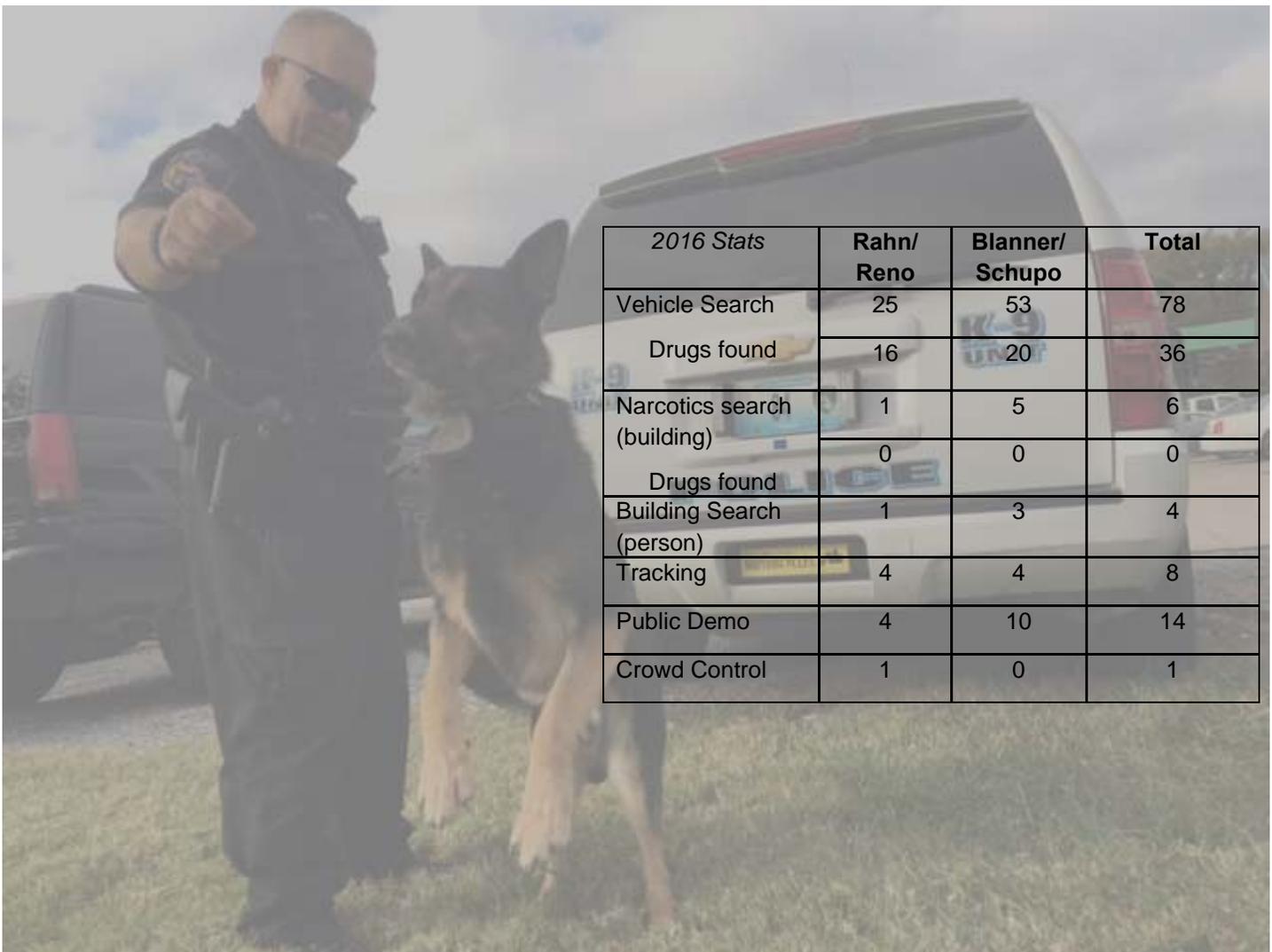


# K9 Unit



The Cape Girardeau Police Department’s K9 Unit is attached to the Patrol Division. The K9 Unit is a specialized component that consists of two highly trained dogs, and their handlers that assist patrol city-wide. The K9 Unit regularly assists patrol with locating and apprehending suspects, conducting searches, and assists on in-progress calls for service. The team also connects with the community during special events with visits to local schools and special venues to highlight the work that our dogs perform every day. There is extensive training that is conducted throughout the year to keep our canines ready for patrol operations.

With K9 Reno’s upcoming retirement in May of 2017 and K9 Schupo’s anticipated retirement in May of 2018, the Cape Girardeau Police Department is in the initial stages of a “Pay for the Pups” campaign. The initial cost for purchasing and training a new police K9 and handler is approximately \$14,000.



# Patrol Platoons



**A Platoon**

*Platoon Supervisor: Sergeant Keith Green*



**B Platoon**

*Platoon Supervisor: Sergeant Darren Estes*

# Patrol Platoons



## **C Platoon**

*Platoon Supervisor: Sergeant Joey Hann*



## **D Platoon**

*Platoon Supervisor: Sergeant Rick Schmidt*

# Detective Division



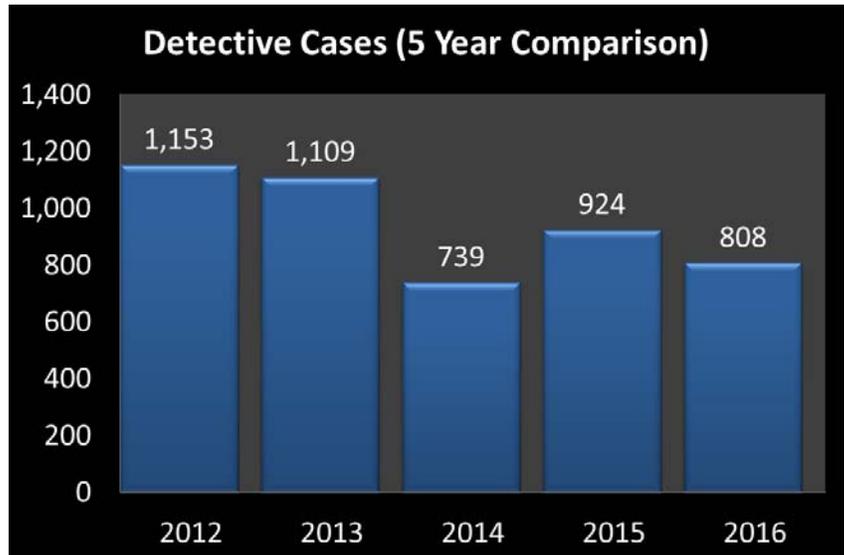
Cases Assigned: 808

Clearance Rate: 32%

Division Supervisor: Lt. Don Perry

The Detective Division is composed of specific crime specialists. The Division is staffed by a Detective Lieutenant, Detective Sergeant, two Detective Corporals, five Detectives, two Narcotic Investigators, and one Property and Evidence Technician/Clerk. In the Fall of 2016, a temporary full-time clerk was added to assist in Scientific Investigations Unit.

The Detective Division is responsible for investigating serious crimes against persons as well as property crimes, normally referred to as Part I Crimes.



## Property and Evidence Room

The Property Room maintains the integrity of evidence for criminal prosecutions and safe keeping of property for all citizens who come in contact with the department.

- Processed approximately 3,000 items of evidence



### Left to Right:

- Christina McGaugh, (SIU) Evidence Clerk;
- Detective Joe Thomas;
- Sergeant Jeff Bonham;
- Corporal Cary Dunavan (SIU);
- Corporal Jeff Lucas;
- Detective Doug Hays;
- Detective Jerry Franks;
- Detective Matt Peters;
- Lieutenant Don Perry;
- Detective Orrin Hawkins



The Professional Standards Unit (Internal Affairs) investigates allegations of employee misconduct to ensure compliance with the professional standards of the Department. This Unit is attached to the Detective Division and is staffed by the Commander of the Detective Division. These allegations may include, but are not limited to: Complaints of bias based on profiling, excessive force, alleged corruption, insubordination, breach of civil rights, false arrest, and other allegations of serious misconduct.

### 2016 Investigations and Findings:

Professional Standards Investigations:		Citizen Complaints:	
No. of Investigations:	3	No. of Investigations:	5
No. of Employees Investigated:	3	No. of Employees Investigated:	5
Findings of Misconduct:	3	Findings of Misconduct:	0
No. of Unfounded Investigations:	0	No. of Unfounded Investigations:	5

*Findings of Misconduct result in disciplinary actions that may include, but are not limited to: Written Reprimand, Suspension Without Pay, and/or Termination of Employment.*



The Cape Girardeau Police Department works diligently to maintain an open environment where our community members can freely tell us when they are pleased or dissatisfied with our performance. When we receive allegations of employee misconduct, we thoroughly investigate the incident to determine the appropriate response.

# Cape Girardeau/Bollinger County Major Case Squad



Several employees of the Cape Girardeau Police Department serve on the Cape Girardeau/Bollinger County Major Case Squad (MCS) in addition to their positions within the Department. The MCS was initiated in the late 1970's when Cape Girardeau County was plagued with a series of murders. Since 1983, the Major Case Squad, made up of officers and detectives from six law enforcement agencies has worked 57 cases. Assistant Chief Mark Majoros currently serves as the MCS Commander.

## 2016 Major Case Squad Activations

**March 31, 2016:** Airious Darling, age 28, was found shot to death on the front porch of a home at 612 Locust. Tavious L. Tipler, age 19 of Cape Girardeau, was charged with first degree murder, armed criminal action, and first degree endangering the welfare of a child. His bond was set at \$500,00 cash only. The Major Case Squad disbanded on April 5, 2016.

**May 19, 2016:** Domorlo McCaster, 28, of Cape Girardeau was found dead from a gunshot wound in the wooded area near the 600-block of Ranney Avenue. Mr. McCaster had been reported missing the morning of May 19th. Malcolm Harris, 24, of Cape Girardeau was arrested on May 27th and charged with second degree murder, armed criminal action, unlawful possession of a firearm, tampering with physical evidence, and abandonment of a corpse. His bond was set at \$5 million in cash or surety. Clarissa Simpson was also charged with tampering with physical evidence in connection with the McCaster homicide.

**May 19, 2016:** Hours after the McCaster homicide, another unrelated homicide occurred. Andrel Dolphin, Jr., a 17 year old Cape Girardeau resident, was shot in the 200-block of North Lorimier, He was transported to a local hospital where he was later pronounced deceased. Jonas M. Phillips, a 27 year old Charleston, Missouri resident, was taken in to custody on May 21st by members of the Major Case Squad, Sikeston Department of Public Safety, and the New Madrid County Sheriff's Office. Mr. Phillips was charged with second degree murder and armed criminal action, along with additional charges for firing a weapon at other subjects in the area of the time of the fatal shooting. Bond was set at \$5 million.

*The Major Case Squad worked diligently and methodically for a full 8 days on the McCaster and Dolphin cases; from about 4:30 p.m. on May 19th through the end of the work day on May 27th. The amount of time spent on them was significant greater than usual due to having two homicides hours within each other.*

**September 7, 2016:** Willie Brown, Jr., a 31 year old Cape Girardeau resident, was found shot in the 300-block of Hanover Street. He was pronounced dead at a local hospital. A 16-year-old male was charged with Brown's death and was held out of state on unrelated charges. Morteza Cleaves was later certified as an adult and charged with second degree murder. Bond was set at \$500,000. In addition, Tyeeema Cleaves was also charged with second degree murder in her connection with the Brown homicide.

**September 28, 2016:** Brent Johnson, age 30 of Cape Girardeau, was shot and killed in the 1200-block of South Ellis. Richard Jenkins, 30, and Laterrius Triplett, 22, were charged with second degree involuntary manslaughter, armed criminal action, and unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon. The shooting happened after Triplett and another man, Darieth Nunley, got into a fight outside a home during a party. As they struggled, the gun went off, striking Johnson. Bonds were set at \$200,000 cash or surety.

## Special Operations Division



The Special Operations Division oversees a variety of specialized units, projects, and events. Units in this Division include the Traffic Unit, Community Service Unit, the School Resource Officers, Nuisance Abatement, and Airport Security.

**Division Supervisor:** Lt. Brad Smith

### Community Service Officers



Community policing initiatives have been developed nationwide by local governments in an effort to help improve the quality of life. Community policing is a philosophy in which the community and law enforcement collectively decide what local and neighborhood problems are and what resources can be used to address them.

The Cape Girardeau Police Department has two Community Service Officers. These officers work primarily with neighborhood residents and groups serving as a link between them, the Police Department, service agencies, and the local government to help recognize crime trends and eliminate the source of crime in the community.



## School Resource Officers

In 2016, we added a fifth School Resource Officer to our School Resource Officer Program. These officers are assigned to the Cape Girardeau Public School District and provide a forum through which students, parents, faculty, and law enforcement officers can become better acquainted and, as a result, continue mutual respect for one another. These officers are involved in activities such as conducting classroom presentations, coordination of group discussions with students in the area of mutual concern, patrolling school premises and surrounding areas to reduce loitering and prevent criminal activity as well as stimulate student involvement in crime prevention programs.

## Cape Girardeau Police Explorers Post 4230

The Cape Girardeau Police Explorers Post 4230 was re-initiated by our School Resource Officers in the winter of 2016. This program is a year-round program and provides area youth (ages 14-20 years old) with the opportunity to learn the career of a police officer and to develop leaders within our community. Explorers are provided with opportunities to find out more about policing and their community while assisting the police department's various community events. There are currently 15 youth going through



## AIRPORT SECURITY

Since May 2002, the Department has been in contract with the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to provide security at the Cape Girardeau Regional Airport. Officers are assigned to provide security for screening passengers and luggage.

# Nuisance Abatement Unit



**Unit Supervisor:** Ptlm. Ty Metzger

<b>2016</b>	
<b>Animals</b>	3,689
<b>Warnings Issued</b>	580
<b>Summons Issued</b>	90
<b>Trash</b>	893
<b>Warnings Issued</b>	406
<b>Summons Issued</b>	9
<b>Zoning</b>	1
<b>Warnings Issued</b>	1
<b>Summons Issued</b>	0
<b>Weeds</b>	724
<b>Warnings Issued</b>	323
<b>Summons Issued</b>	2
<b>Nuisance</b>	1,311
<b>Warning Issued</b>	574
<b>Summons Issued</b>	17
<b>Signs</b>	272
<b>Warning Issued</b>	7
<b>Summons Issued</b>	0
<b>Parking</b>	1,845
<b>Warning Issued</b>	531
<b>Summons Issued</b>	550
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	414
<b>Vehicles</b>	223
<b>Warnings</b>	104
<b>Summons</b>	4
<b>Graffiti</b>	24
<b>Warnings</b>	17
<b>Summons</b>	0
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>9,372 (↓467)</b>
<b>Total Warnings</b>	<b>2,544 (↑94)</b>
<b>Total Summons</b>	<b>672 (↓208)</b>

The Nuisance Abatement Unit is comprised of a full-time supervisor, three full-time and one part-time Nuisance Abatement Officers. They are responsible for the many aspects of the Unit which includes animal control issues, litter, disabled vehicles, quality of life issues, and other health and nuisance abatement issues.

Note: Vehicles, illegal parking, signs, etc. were all previously classified under Zoning. Classification of these types of incidents changed in 2014 so every type of incident the Department handles could be noted. In these statistics, Zoning incidents are now classified as issues Nuisance Abatement handles at the request of other City Departments.

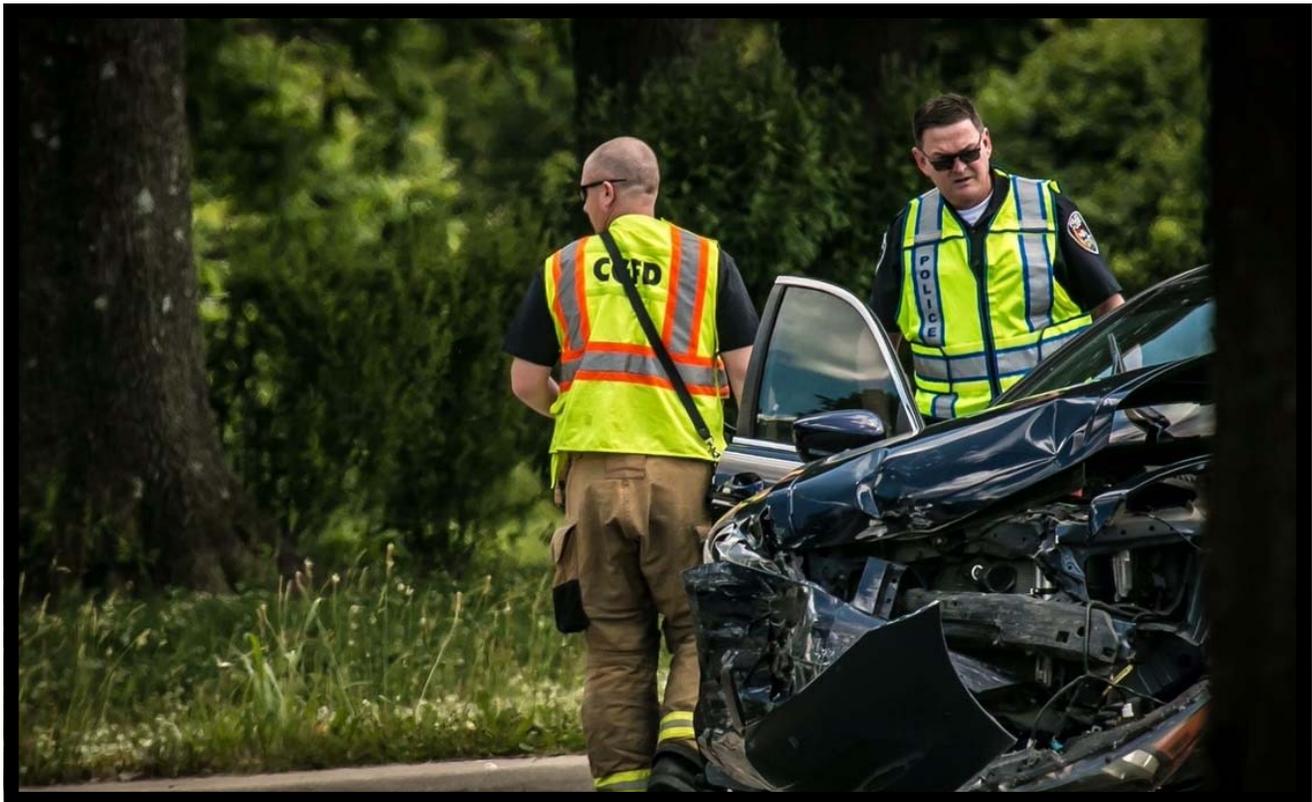




**Unit Supervisor:** Sgt. T. Kevin Orr

The Traffic Unit is one of the most visible units that the motoring public has contact with. Goals include ensuring the expeditious flow of traffic and compliance with local, state and federal laws. This is accomplished by utilizing several different approaches, including a combination of public education and enforcement efforts. Within the Traffic Unit, officers have advanced expertise in technical collision investigation, collision reconstruction, and drug recognition enforcement. The Traffic Unit also assists in the coordination of “Click It Or Ticket It” campaigns, DWI enforcement, Hazardous Moving Violations (HMV), as well as special events including parades or 5K events.

The average staffing for the Traffic Unit is six full-time officers and one sergeant. There is currently one Traffic Officer that is certified through the Missouri Safety Center as a crash reconstructionist.





# SUPPORT SERVICES BUREAU

Bureau Commander:  
Assistant Chief Jack Wimp

# Our Personnel



The Support Services Bureau is a group of highly skilled professional men and women who provide a varied array of essential services to the Cape Girardeau Police Department and our community. As the name suggests, one of the primary functions is providing support to our Department. This support takes a variety of forms ranging from Communications, Records and Training Units, the Jail, police supply and fleet services to being responsible for hiring processes, employee personnel records, and payroll as well as all of the Department's finance functions. While not as visible as our uniformed officers, these employees play an equally important role in the delivery of police services to the community members and visitors of Cape Girardeau.

The most important asset of the Cape Girardeau Police Department is our staff. Our Department is filled with talented and experienced individuals who hold many advanced certifications and degrees. Currently, 43% of our officers hold a Bachelors or Masters degree.

With an average of 9 years of service, their diversity and experience provides a balance of appropriate performance and preparation for the future.

The Cape Girardeau Police Department prides itself in having competent, capable, and relentless members. Employees serve extended productive careers which provides stability for the Department and a wealth of experience. We salute their dedication as they move through their career.

Years of Service	# of Members	Age	# of Members
0-5 years	42	21-25 years	5
6-10 years	15	26-30 years	18
11-15 years	9	31-35 years	15
16-20 years	7	36-40 years	11
21-25 years	4	41-45 years	10
26-30 years	2	46-50 years	9
Over 30 years	7	Over 50 years	19

## NEW HIRES

Jailer Michael Valentine, February 15

Jailer Ashley Lookhart, April 4

PtIm. Tanner Hiatt, April 4

PtIm. Kyle Evans, May 16

PtIm. Will Rogers, June 6

Nuisance Abatement Officer Stephanie Metz, June 6

PtIm. Matthew McAlister, June 27

Communicator Anissa Lewis, July 2

Communicator Sara Martin, July 30

Records Clerk Tonya Green, August 1

Nuisance Abatement Officer Matt Britt, August 29

Station Commander Adam Tucker, September 12

PtIm. Brock Benisch, September 12

PtIm. Jonathan Brotz, October 3

Communicator Hannah Stoelting, October 11

PtIm. William Sammut, November 7

PtIm. Darrin Sides, December 5

PtIm. Calvin Broz, December 12

## Employee of the Year



Each year, the Chief of Police accepts nominations for Employee of the Year. The distinction is one of great honor at the Department, as several people are usually nominated each year for very worth efforts.

The 2016 recipient is Corporal Jason Jurgens. Corporal Jurgens began his career in law enforcement with us 15 years ago and is currently assigned to the Traffic Unit.

Corporal Jurgens was tasked with implementing the electronic ticketing program after the resignation of Corporal Hickey and has worked tirelessly in getting all the kinks worked out of the program. He also conducted training and continues to work with municipal court, the police department, and the vendor to make the program successful. Along with the E-Ticket program, Corporal Jurgens is also very involved in the ongoing improvements in the field training officer program, and in the testing of various body-worn cameras and in developing a body-worn camera policy for the Department.

Corporal Jurgens works well with all employees of the Department and consistently volunteers to assist with other divisions when needed. He's often called upon by superiors to assist with traffic-related and technology matters. After being promoted to the rank of Corporal, he was assigned to handle several projects that were not within the realm of his duties. He took over these duties, and has done an outstanding job.

"Corporal Jurgens has excelled since being transferred to the Traffic Unit and being promoted to Corporal. He meets all requirements of his job description and exceeds those by handling many tasks that would not get done if he did not step up to the plate and take on the extra work," said Chief Wes Blair. "He is an excellent leader and is as tremendous asset to our Department."

For the reasons stated, Corporal Jurgens was rightfully chosen as our 2016 Employee of the Year, and we admire all he does for our organization and the community we serve.

## Auxiliary Services Division



**Division Supervisor:** Lt. John "Buddy" Davis

The Auxiliary Services Division was formed in 2015 after the Department acquired the Communications Unit from the Fire Department. The Division is overseen by an officer holding the rank of Lieutenant. There are two distinct functions within this Division—the Communications Unit and the Records Unit.

### Records Unit

The Records Unit of the Cape Girardeau Police Department is a civilian support unit consisting of four full-time Records Clerks and one Records Supervisor. The clerical staff performs general record maintenance and data entry for the Department. The Records Division is primarily responsible for processing all traffic tickets, incident, accident, traffic, and criminal offense reports.

The Records Unit handles a large number of requests for reports from the public and requests for background checks. The Unit is also responsible for submitting statistical data to the state government regarding criminal activity and arrest information.

The Records Unit processed 8,785 police reports plus numerous supplemental reports in 2016.



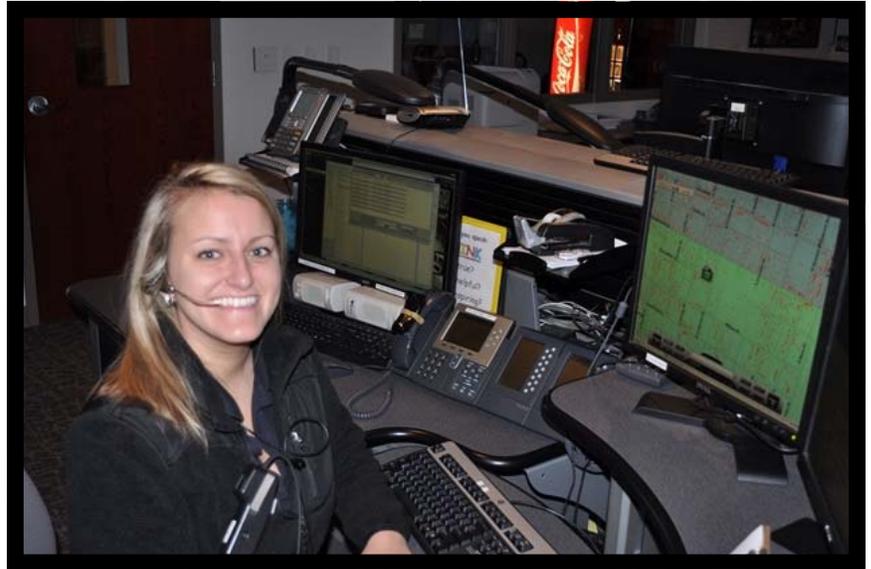
**Left to Right:** Tammy DeSpain, Records Clerk; Lori Vandeven, Records Supervisor; Clara Jane Fletchall, Records Unit temp; Janet Hahn, Records Clerk; Tonya Green, Records Clerk; Caylea Rhodes, Records Clerk

# Communications Unit



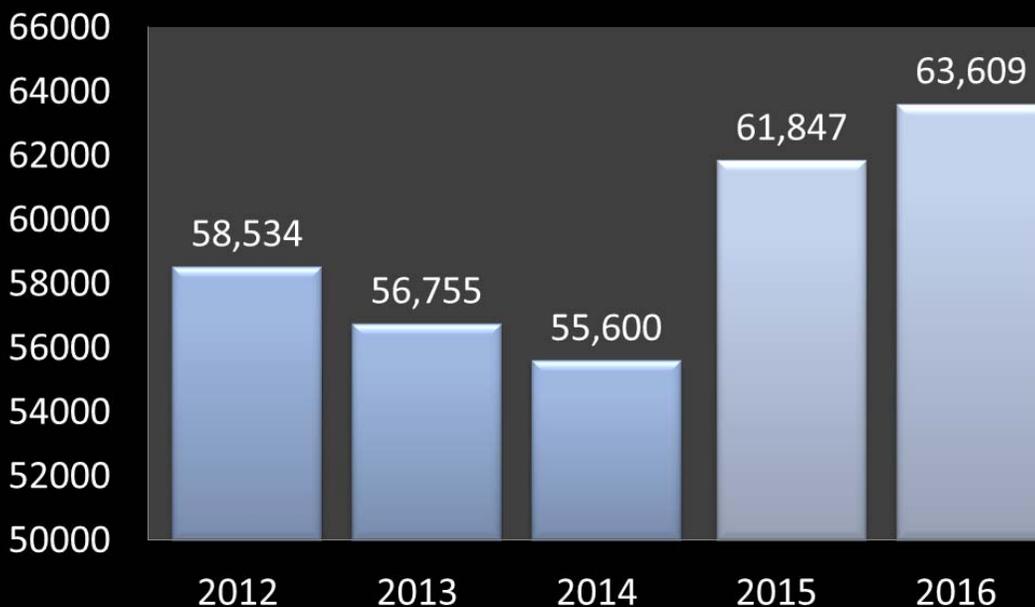
Unit Supervisor: Cheryl Stoffregen

The Cape Girardeau Public Safety Communications Unit is the nerve center and life-line of the Police Department. Operating seven days a week, 24 hours a day, the Communications Unit has the responsibility to answer all 911 emergency and non-emergency calls coming into the center. Our Communicators are responsible for deploying the appropriate police and fire units throughout the city in response to these calls.



The Unit is staffed with 12 trained full-time Public Safety Communicators, three per diem Communicators, two per diem call-takers, and a civilian communications manager. Each Communicator plays a vital part in the overall mission of the Cape Girardeau Police Department.

## CAD Calls (5 Year Comparison)



### 2016 in a Glance:

63,609 total CAD Calls  
8,471 Police Incidents  
5,117 Fire Incidents

*\*The remaining CAD incidents consisted of 911 hang-up calls, calls for other jurisdictions, duplicate calls on incidents, and calls that did not require a police report, etc.*

# Special Response Team



2016 Deployments: 7

2015 Deployments: 10

**SRT Commander:** Lt. John "Buddy" Davis

The Special Response Team, commonly known as SWAT, is a group of highly trained tactical officers designed for deployment during critical incidents. These incidents include, but are not limited to, hostage situations, barricaded subjects, high-risk search warrants, high profile escorts, and crowd control.

Members of the Special Response Team serve on a voluntary, part-time basis. They train a minimum of 12 hours per month in addition to the critical incident operations throughout the year. There are currently 12 special response operators, three paramedics, one auxiliary member, and one commander.





**Division Supervisor:** Lt. Barry Hovis

## Jail Unit

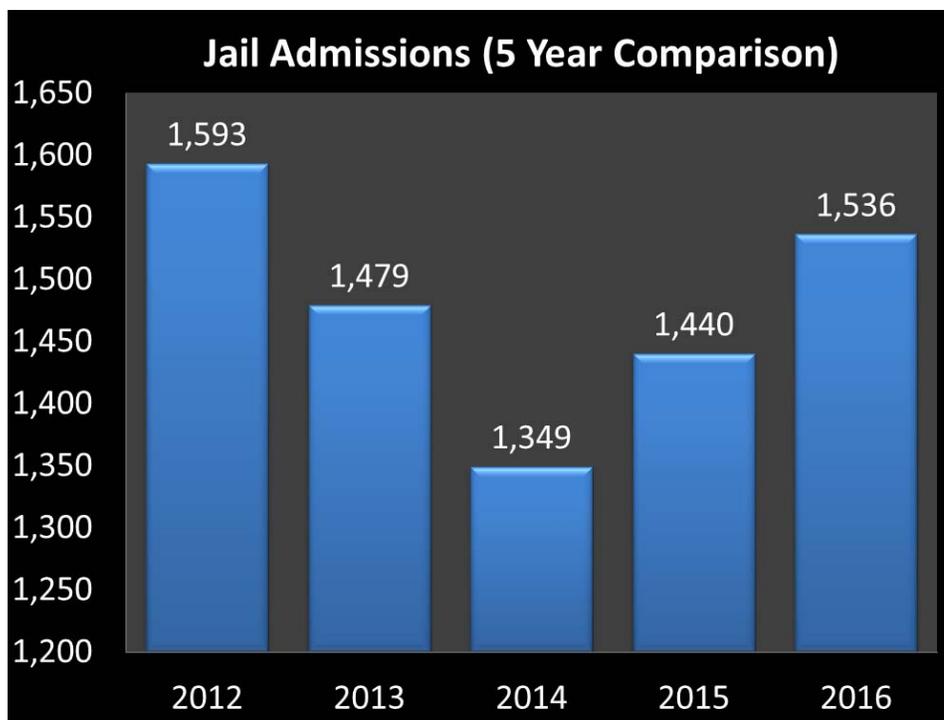
The Cape Girardeau Police Department houses a 29 bed, direct-supervision jail facility used primarily to house prisoners awaiting municipal trial or serving time for municipal ordinance violations.

During the 2016 calendar year, the jail was operated by six full-time jailers that covered the jail 24/7.

Designated prisoners are allowed to perform community service work in order to pay fines to the City of Cape Girardeau.

CITY	Male	955
	Female	440
PROTECTIVE CUSTODY	Male	108
	Female	33
FEDERAL	Male	0
	Female	0
STATE	Male	0
	Female	0
TOTAL ADMITTED		1,536

*The table represents the demographic data relating to prisoners housed in 2016.*



## Police Fleet & Equipment



**Division Supervisor:** Lt. Barry Hovis

In the summer of 2015, we began to introduce new patrol vehicles into our fleet. These new vehicles include the Dodge Charger and the Ford Explorer Police Utility Vehicle. These new vehicles continue to be introduced as the current cars need to be replaced. The new branding update was developed by a team of various Department employees in 2015.

Our patrol vehicles are equipped with laptops to give officers access to the data they need to be more effective and spend more time patrolling city streets. Police vehicles are funded by the Fire Sales Tax and Public Safety Trust Fund. Vehicles are replaced as needed every 7-10 years.

*The Cape Girardeau Police Department has a fleet that includes 89 vehicles. This total includes all patrol vehicles, unmarked police vehicles, a police motorcycle, and two all-terrain vehicles (ATVs).*



The Operations Support Division is responsible for the purchasing of uniforms and equipment for all commissioned officers, jailers, nuisance abatement officers, and communications officers. Uniforms and equipment are provided to our employees with no cost to the employee.

The duties and responsibilities of the uniform and equipment officer consists of ordering uniforms and equipment, receipt of items, maintaining departmental asset records, and issuing related equipment to all uniformed employees.

This Division works closely with various vendors and the City's Finance Department to maintain an adequate supply of necessary support items and equipment. Through continuous effort, projected planning, and ordering for future needs, Department personnel are provided with equipment to function effectively and provide the citizens of Cape Girardeau with the utmost in police services.

To outfit a new patrolman with uniforms and personal equipment (to include handgun, patrol rifle, duty belt, handcuffs, flashlights, radios, Taser, etc.), it costs approximately \$11,175.00. It should be noted equipment is re-used as often as possible and new equipment is not ordered for every probationary officer. Detectives are given a clothing allowance of \$400.00 annual.

In 2016, the uniform and small equipment budget was \$53,665.00.

# Training & Community Services



The Training and Community Services Unit is responsible for the Department's training unit, media relations, and crime prevention.

**Unit Supervisor:** Sgt. Adam Glueck

## Training Unit

The Training Unit is the first spot new officers will experience as they embark on their career. It's also a place that offers continued employee development throughout the year.

The Training Unit is committed to providing the most updated training curriculum for employees and other law enforcement agencies who may attend courses at our facility. The Training Unit ensures that all commissioned officers complete their state mandated POST program training hours during each three-year reporting period.

Officer training includes, but is not limited to:

- \* Active Shooter
- \* Reality-Based Scenarios
- \* Defensive Tactics
- \* Cultural Diversity
- \* Use of Force
- \* Domestic Violence

## Media Relations

The Cape Girardeau Police Department fosters cooperation and mutual respect between the Department and news media.

Sergeant Adam Glueck and Patrolman Rich McCall are assigned as media liaisons and are highly trained individuals who understand the importance of using the media as a valuable resource to keep the public informed as to the Department's activities. In this regard, they realize their role is to assist members of the media in completing the task of gathering information and reporting on news events impacting residents and visitors to the City of Cape Girardeau. The public's perception and image of the Department is largely dependent on the hard work of these officers.

## Safe Communities Program

The goal of the Cape Girardeau Safe Communities Program is to provide injury prevention strategies, primarily in the areas of traffic safety to the citizens of Cape Girardeau County.

The Safe Communities initiative is working to expand partnerships in the community to access local injury data. Through this information, areas of concern are determined and new effective strategies for injury prevention are developed. The program has two full-time coordinators, a part-time employee (TRACTION), and a 19 member Advisory Committee. Grants through the Missouri Department of Transportation-Division of Highway Safety provide funding for this program.

Safe Communities coordinates multi-jurisdictional law enforcement efforts throughout Cape Girardeau County.

# Social Media



The Cape Girardeau Police Department has maintained a Facebook and Twitter account since 2013, however, we began to greatly increase our presence on the popular social media sites in 2015 and throughout 2016. In early 2016, an Instagram account was added. The feedback from the community is overwhelmingly positive.

Social media continues to be a valuable resource for getting information out to the public in a timely manner. Twitter is often used by the Department to send out emergency status updates for motor vehicle

crash responses, or lane closures, while Facebook is primarily used to promote events such as “Coffee with Cops” and “National Night Out”, bringing awareness to



Cape Girardeau Police Department  
@capepolice



programs the Department has in place to engage citizens in public safety initiatives, and giving recognition to sworn and non-sworn personnel who have received compliments from citizens for their work. In addition, several posts requesting the public’s assistance in identifying and/or locating persons of interest or suspects proved to be extremely successful and resulted in several arrests throughout 2016.

Social media has also allowed citizens to ask questions or make statements (publicly or privately) and receive quick feedback back from the Department. Many have expressed how grateful they are in having the opportunity to approach us with questions in such an open manner.



The Department’s social media presence increased throughout the year, engaging a growing audience of interactive citizens. In 2016, our Facebook page grew from 5,605 likes to over 10,646. Our Twitter account went from 1,600 followers to 2,521 followers. Lastly, our Instagram currently has 1,392 followers. We anticipate these numbers will continue to grow as we actively seek to engage the citizens of our City.



Casey Carlisle ▸ Cape Girardeau Police Department  
December 14, 2016 · Cape Girardeau, MO · 🌐

There is a vehicle that had a tire issue on Bloomfield Road, and an officer stopped with his lights on to ensure the safety of the citizens while they changed their tire. I am not a citizen of Cape, but it makes me proud to be from Southeast Missouri knowing our officers truly care. #backtheblue



Ashley Farrar ▸ Cape Girardeau Police Department  
October 27, 2016 · Cape Girardeau, MO · 🌐

Just witnessed one of your officers stopping to shoot some hoops with a group of kids on Themis St. Way to go Cape PD! 🏀

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1 Comment

# Top Social Media Stories



Posted: June 10, 2016

Total Reach: 213.2K

Engagement: 45.6K

On June 7, while blocking traffic for a structure fire at Sprigg and Morgan Oak, Ptlm. Peters observed a 7 year old boy riding a bicycle across Morgan Oak. A pickup truck rounded the corner and the boy attempted to use his feet to stop the bike but had to lay it down to avoid getting hit by the truck. The boy got up from the ground and Ptlm. Peters met with him. He said he had to lay down his bike between it had no brakes. While speaking with the child, Ptlm. Peters learned that it was his apartment that was on fire. The next day, Ptlm. Peters was able to locate the little boy and take him to Walmart. Walmart assisted us in getting him a new bicycle, with brakes.



Posted: July 11, 2016

Total Reach: 171.2K

Engagement: 37.5K

Pokemon Go hit the country by storm over the summer of 2016. We reminded people that when playing in the fantasy world of Pokemon Go, to not forget reality and be aware of your surroundings. Humor was mixed in to very important safety reminders.

## \*\*CAPE GIRARDEAU POLICE OFFICERS HELP BRING IN LIFE FROM A DEADLY TRAGEDY\*\*

hero (noun) | he-ro \hir-(.)ō\ A person who is admired for great or brave acts or fine qualities.

Hero is not a term we use in law enforcement frequently. As a matter of fact, we believe it's a term that is often overused. However, last Wednesday, two of our officers exceeded the above definition and went above and beyond the call of duty.

On the morning of May 11th, Lt. Brad Smith and Cpl. Cary Dunavan were en route to the municipal airport with supplies for an airshow scheduled that evening. While traveling on I-55, they arrived on the scene of a fatal motor vehicle crash literally seconds after it happened. As the first responders on the scene, they encountered a pregnant victim who had been ejected from a vehicle and was suffering from mortal injuries. Instead of waiting for EMS to arrive, these two officers leapt into action and began providing CPR to the woman until other first responders arrived.

Upon arrival to the hospital, doctors performed an emergency c-section to deliver the baby, ultimately saving the infant's life. Cape Girardeau Fire Chief Ennis has informed us that doctors at the hospital were adamant that the swift actions by Lt. Smith and Cpl. Dunavan in immediately beginning CPR was what preserved the life of the unborn child until they could perform the c-section.

The actions of these officers were not merely courageous or brave, they were heroic. In that moment when life and death was being decided by mere seconds, they, without hesitation, acted quickly to save another's life. Their dedication to the sanctity of life and commitment to the preservation of life are to be highly commended. The Cape Girardeau Police Department is both honored and humbled to have men of this caliber among our ranks.

Lt. Smith and Cpl. Dunavan were presented with a commendation from Chief Blair yesterday afternoon. Both made the statement of, "We were just doing our job." Humility, selflessness, courage, patience, and compassion – five qualities that truly make a hero – five qualities that Lt. Smith and Cpl. Dunavan undoubtedly possess.

Lt. Smith and Cpl. Dunavan: Thank you for dedicating your lives to serving and protecting the citizens of Cape Girardeau. We are proud of you!

(Pictured Left to Right: Cpl. Cary Dunavan, Chief Wes Blair, Lt. Brad Smith



Posted: May 17, 2016

Total Reach: 116.9K

Engagement: 12.2K



Progress on the new Police Headquarters building, jail and Municipal Court began to take shape this year. Chiodini and Associates was selected as the architecture firm to design the building and Kiefner Brothers, Inc. was selected as the General Contractor for the project.

On August 2, 2016, demolition began on the building that formerly housed military reserve units at 2530 Maria Louise Ln. Once the building was completely razed, the contractor began preparing the site for a new building. Part of that preparation uncovered a problem with the soil that was under the existing building. The solution was to remove three (3) feet of soil from the site and replace it with an engineered rock base fill to stabilize the site.

On October 12, 2016, the architect, contractor, and City of Cape Girardeau broke ground for the new building. The contractor then built and poured the footings and foundations for the new building. During the soil remediation and footing/foundation construction, the design team continued to meet weekly to design the interior of the Police, Court and Jail facilities. The construction team experienced phenomenal working conditions due to unusually warm, dry weather during the fall months that kept the project progressing.

By early December, the footings and foundations were complete, and the contractor awaits the final design package to commence. The next steps will be to install the underground plumbing and build part of the jail walls, which should begin in early January 2017.

# Public Safety Trust Fund



In 2014, voters approved the renewal of Fire Tax until 2035. The revenue generated from this 1/8-cent sales tax is expected to be \$1.2 million per year. Half the funding will be used for facilities and the other half will be used to replace existing fire apparatus and police vehicles as needed. These expenditures are being tracked through the Public Safety Trust Fund. Below are expenditures that have been made from this fund by the Police Department.

## Cape Girardeau Police Department Trust Fund Expenditures through 2016

### Police Cars (fully equipped)

9 Police Vehicles FY 2015	\$239,672
<b>4 Police Vehicles FY 2016</b>	<b>\$100,206</b>

### Police Equipment

5 Petitions w/cages & gun racks	\$ 8,000	4Free Standing T-Mounts	\$4,800
Change out 9 New Vehicles (moving radios, lights, MDTs)	\$ 5,400	Aim Point Rifle Optics	\$5,000
New Vehicle Striping on New Vehicles	\$ 5,400	Air Soft Training Weapons	\$ 942
12 SRT Helmets	\$ 5,400	Camera (Back Lot)	\$1,186
2 Extra Mags for 80 Officers	\$ 6,400	Cargo Container (Storage)	\$3,075
Emergency Lights for 2 Vehicles	\$ 2,920	Push Bumper (Bomb Squad Tahoe)	\$1,212
Vehicle Radios for 2 Vehicles	\$ 8,846		
Mobile Data Terminals for 2 Vehicles	\$ 13,050		
Vehicle Sirens for 2 Vehicles	\$ 900		
Tire Deflators for 2 Vehicles	\$ 800		
Trunk Accessories for 2 Vehicles	\$ 300		
Equipment Installation Cost	\$ 2,700		

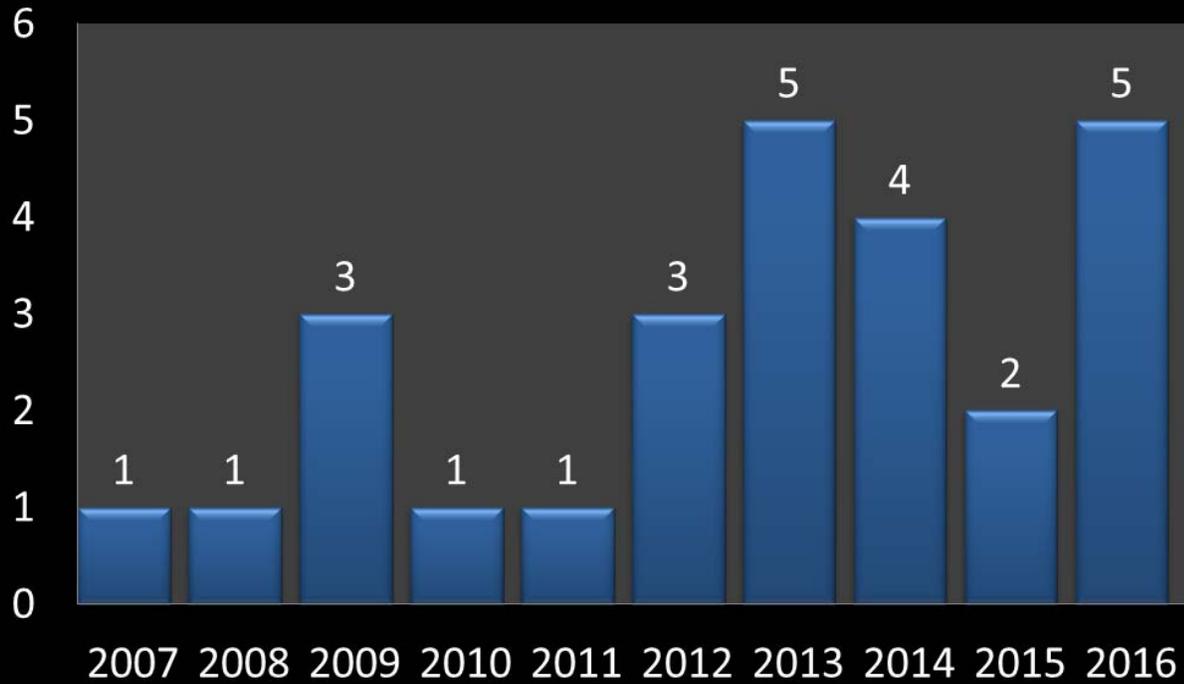
## Grants

Team Spirit	\$191,800.00
School Resource Officers (x5)	\$139,995.00
Safe Communities	\$ 88,226.00
TSA Grant (Airport Security Officers)	\$ 31,423.41
Various Traffic Safety Overtime Grants	\$ 20,500.00
Protective Vests Grant	<i>Approximately</i> \$ 1,000.00
STEP Enforcement Grants	\$ Unknown

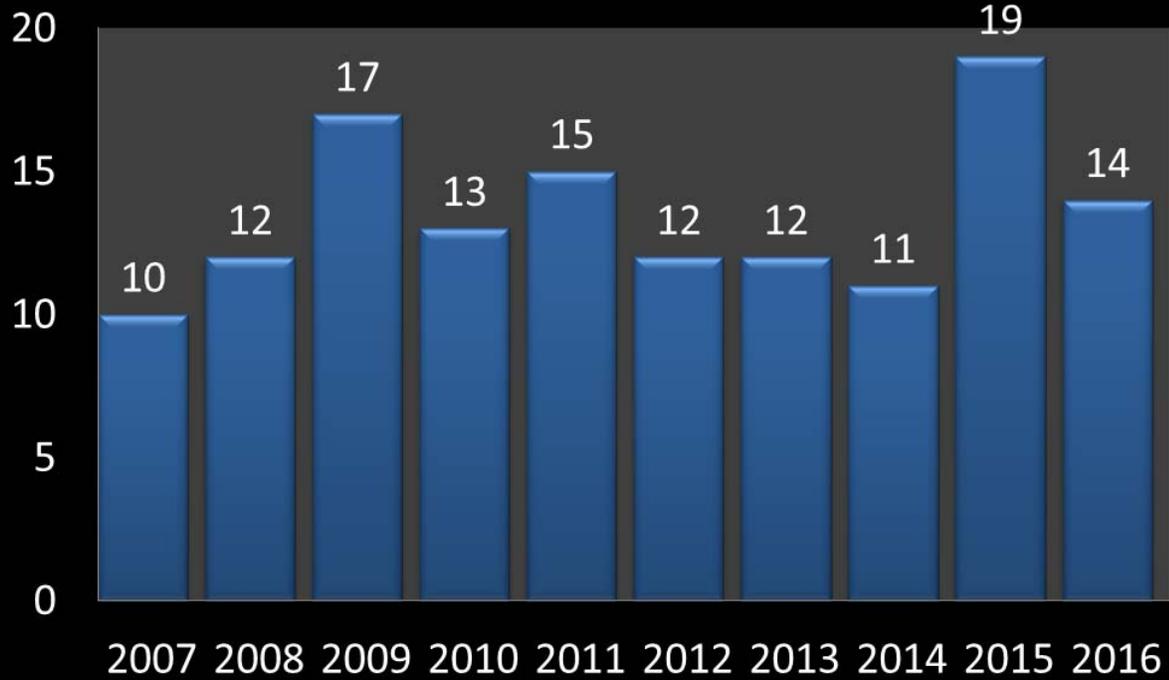
These are short-term grants (usually a few to several days) for traffic enforcement. They are usually approved a few months in advance and we do not know if they will be available next fiscal year.

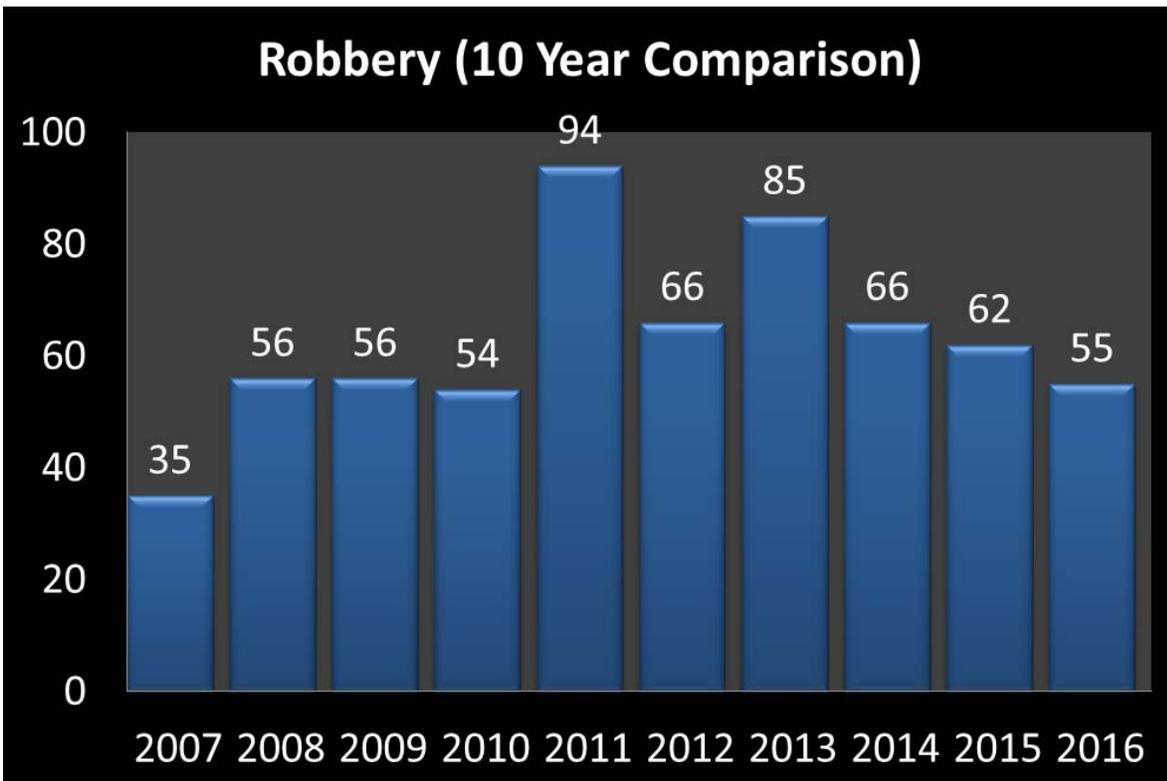
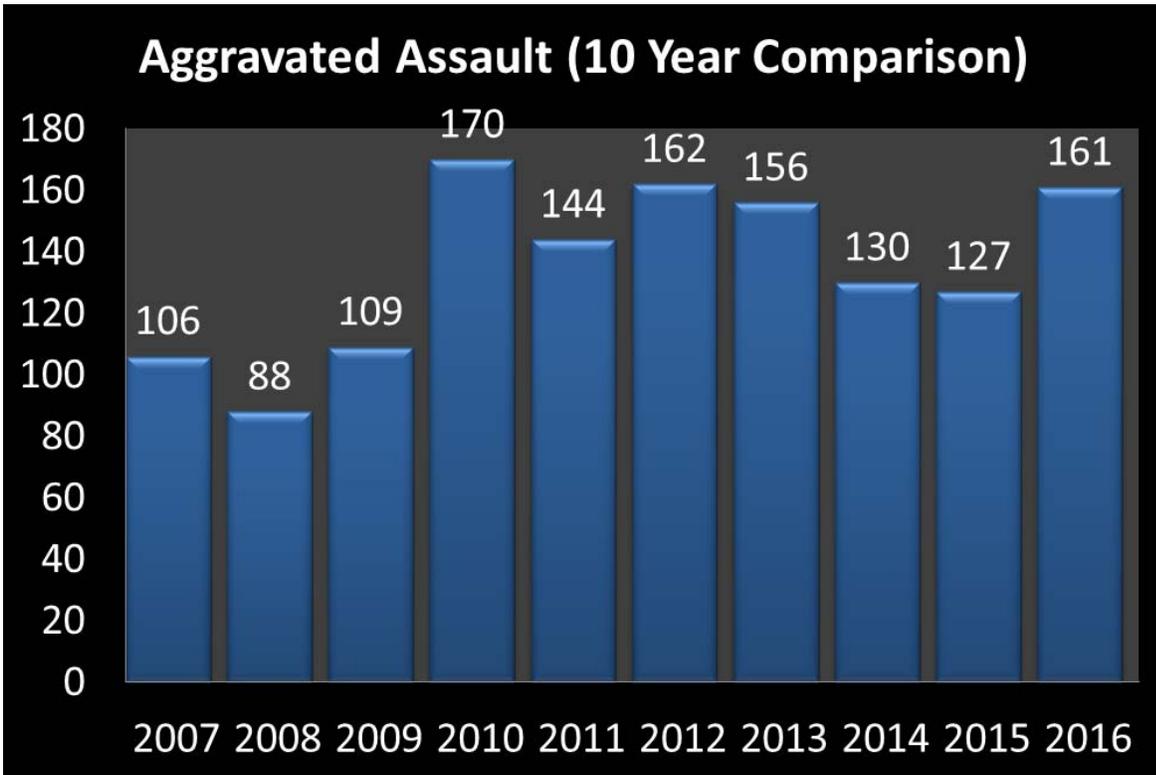


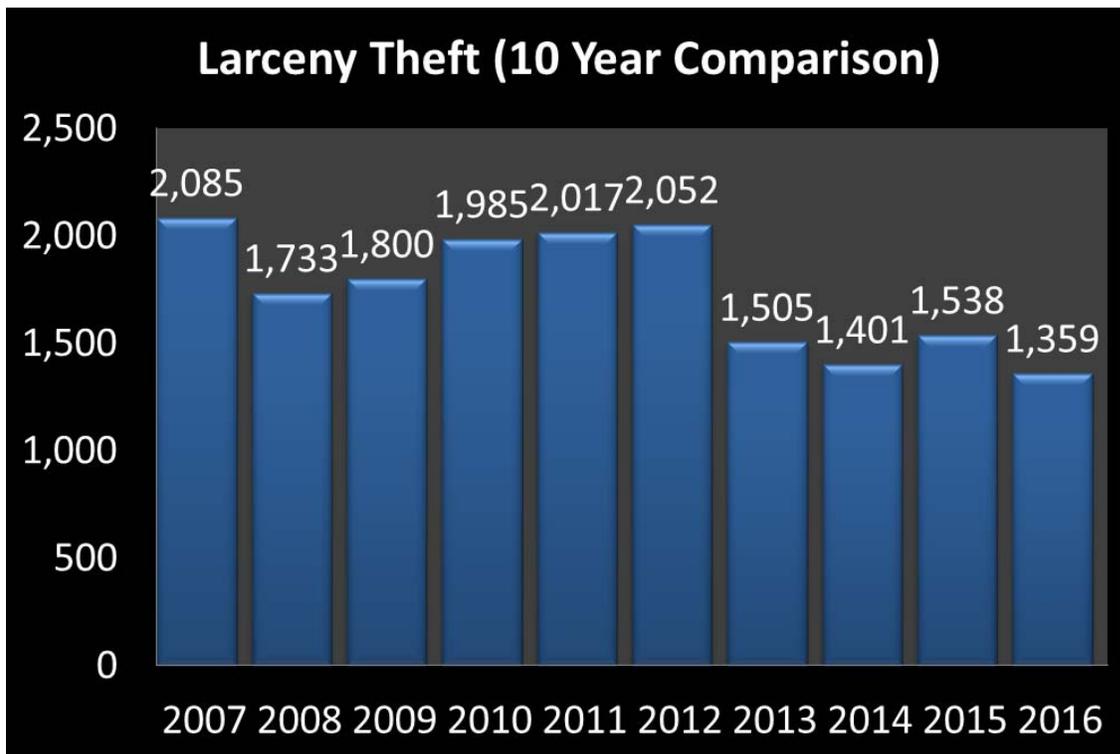
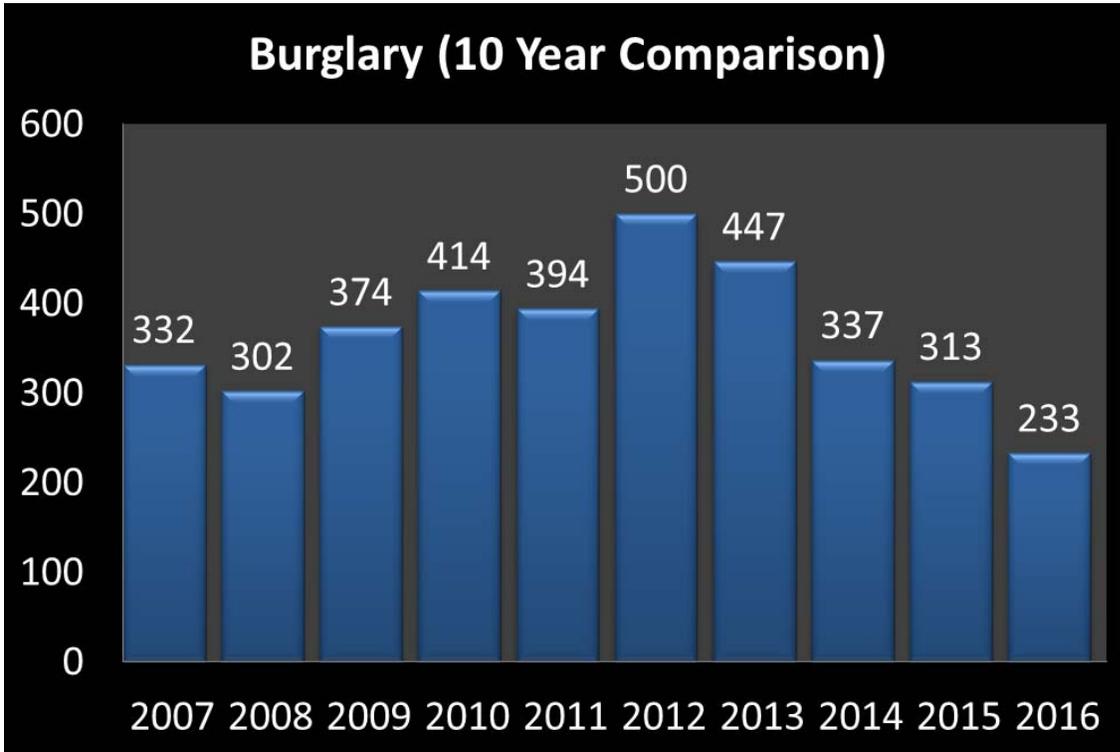
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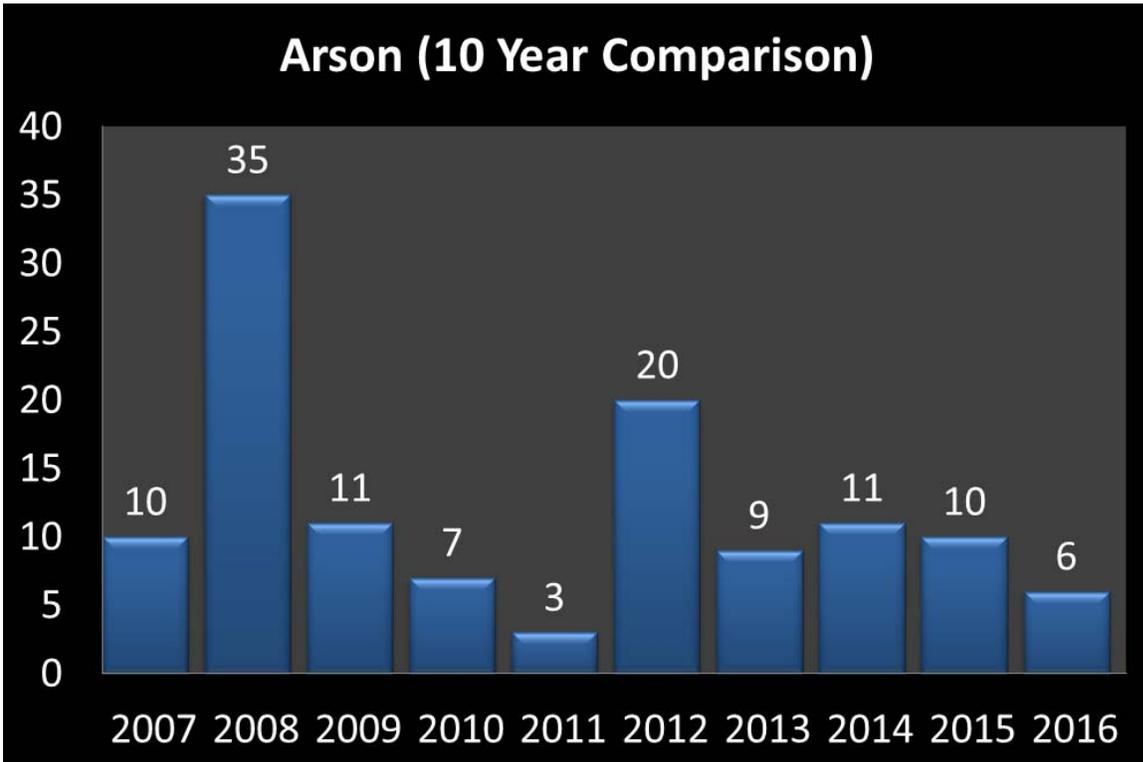
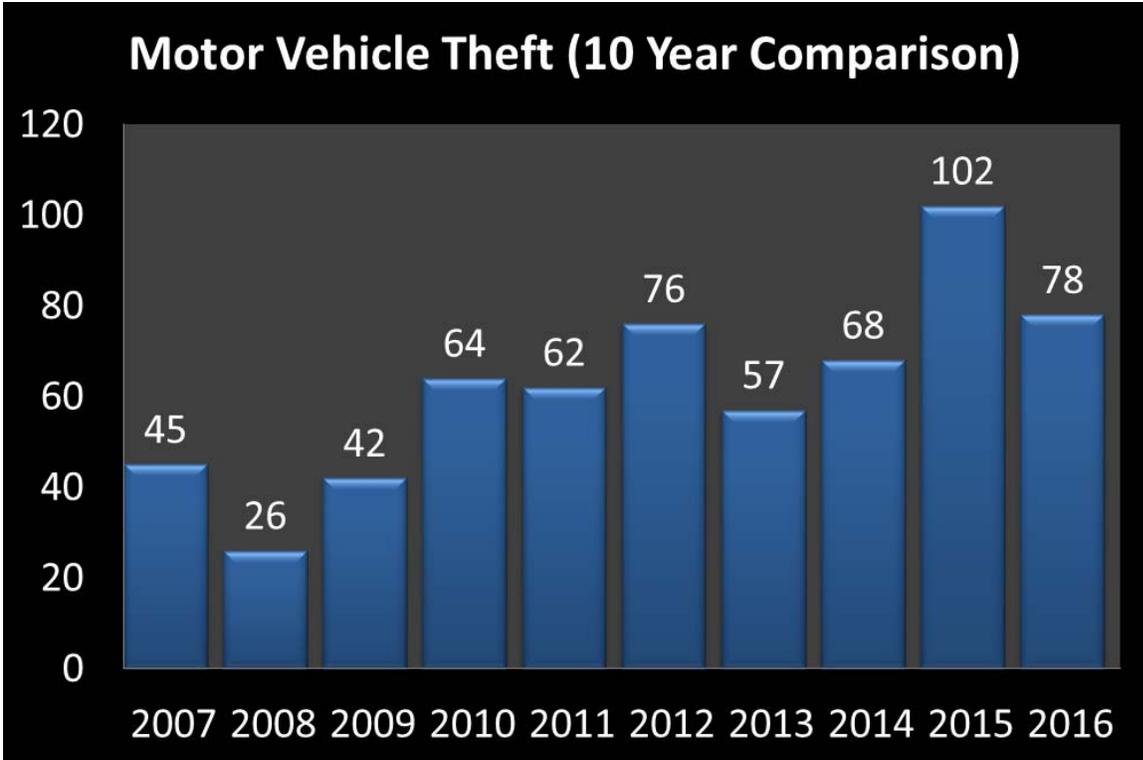


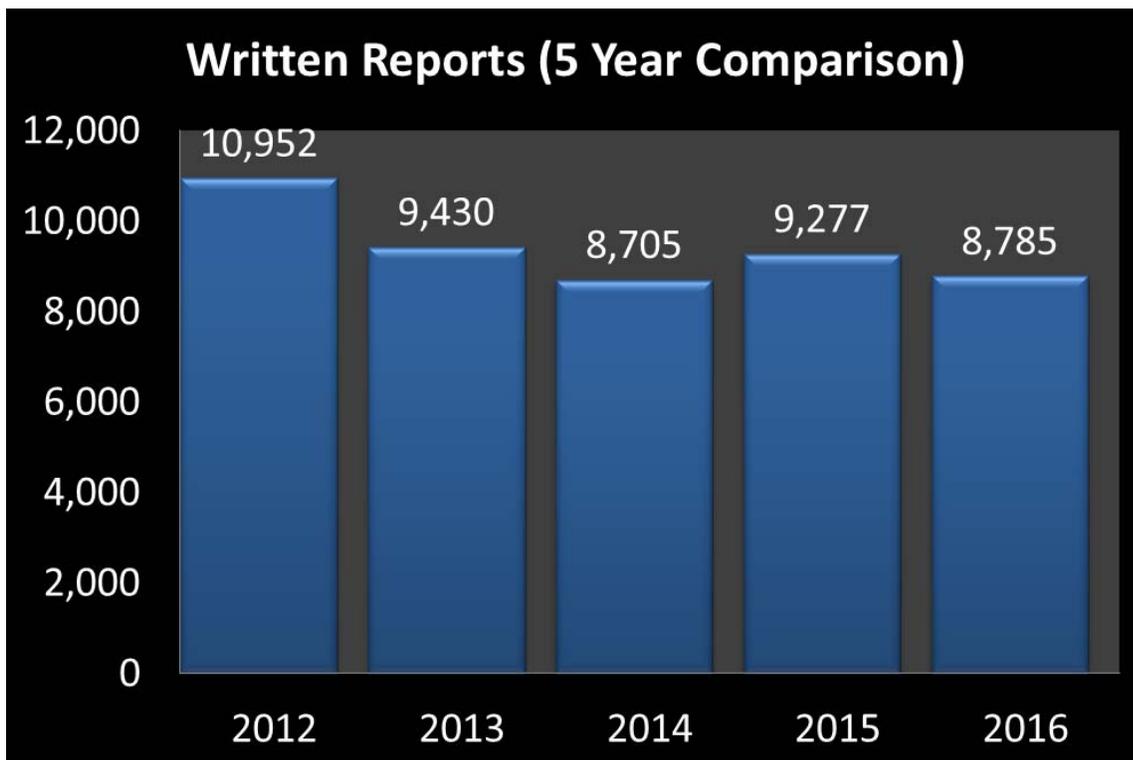
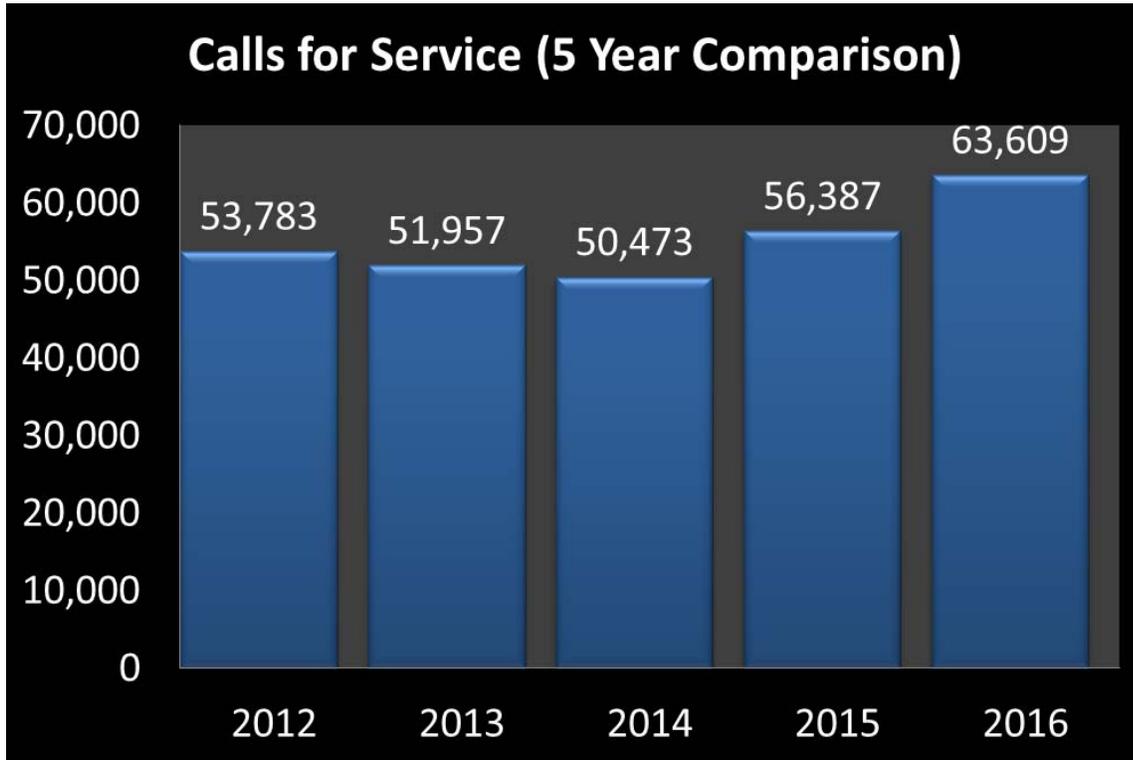
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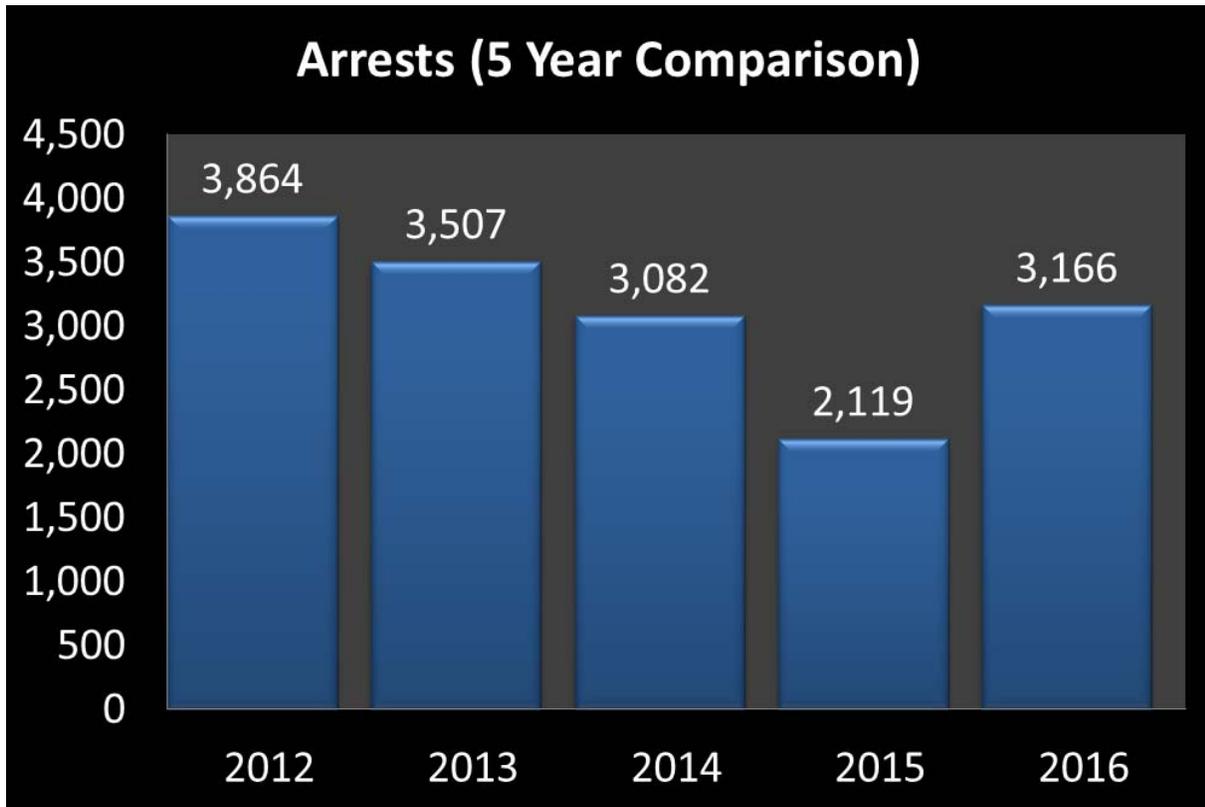


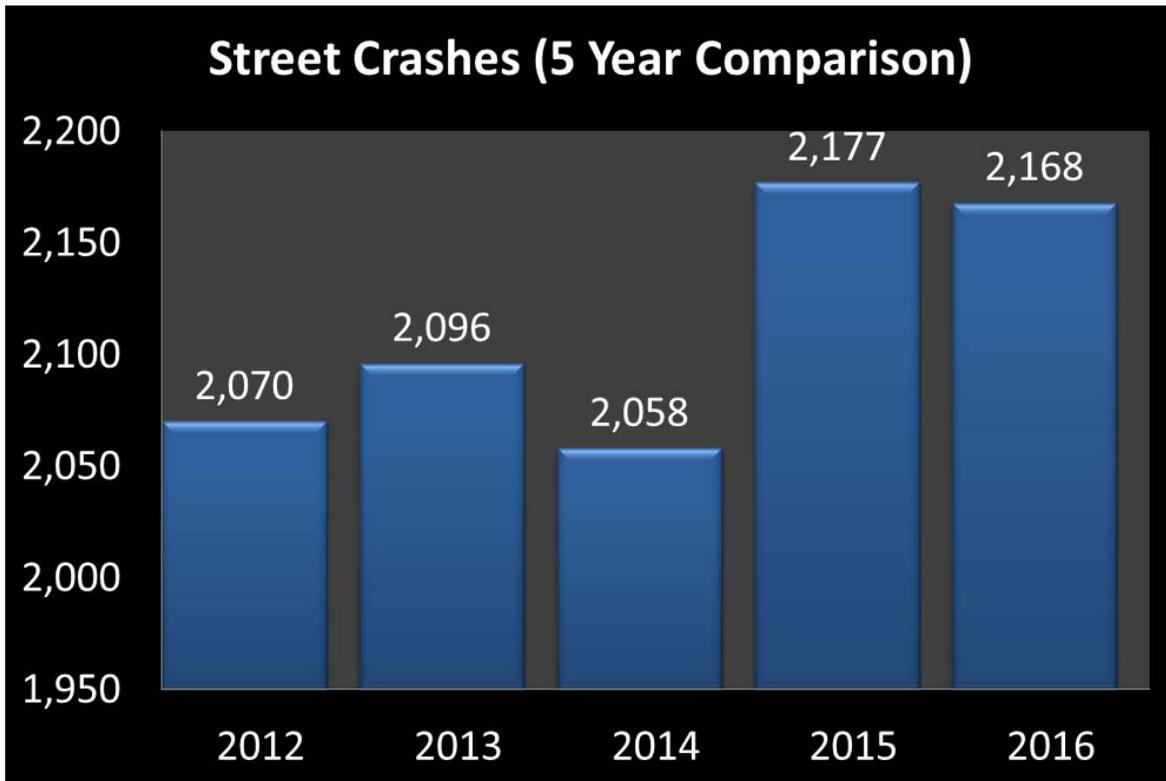
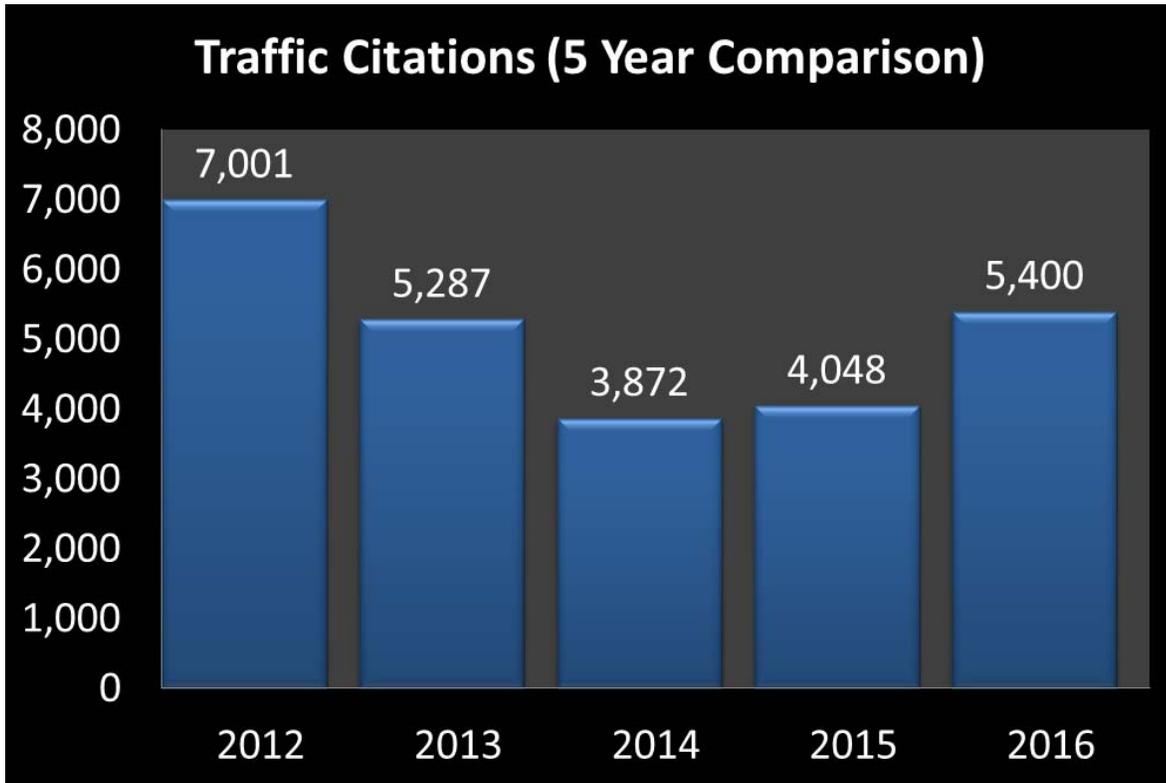














Violation		Hazardous Moving Violations (HMV)			
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Speeding	1980	1568	821	1082	1739
Carless & Imprudent	45	44	23	27	31
DWI	221	175	148	161	136
Other HMV	2070	1394	1116	1154	1246
Total HMV	4316	3181	2108	2424	3152
Violation		Non-Hazardous Moving Violations			
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Improper License	551	787	773	1001	1280
Leave the Scene of Accident	84	80	62	76	66
Seat Belt Violations	291	234	126	90	182
Other Non-HMV	789	539	444	464	720
Total Non-HMV	1715	1640	1405	1631	2248
Violation		Parking Violations			
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Improper Parking	1708	1239	1432	1089	743



## Type of Street Crashes

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Other Non-Collision	20	22	7	0	
Pedestrian	12	13	12	14	17
Parked Motor Vehicle	263	277	256	312	303
Railroad Train	0	0	0	0	0
Pedacycle	9	8	1	5	6
Animal	52	38	41	42	39
Fixed Object	231	271	245	264	275
Other Object	20	23	22	22	19
Moving Vehicle	1469	1429	1464	1507	1501
Unknown	1	0	0	0	1
MV on Other Roadway	0	0	0	0	0

## Damage or Injury, Street Crashes

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Property Damage Only	1800	1864	1788	1858	1859
Injury Crashes	266	228	269	315	305
Fatal Crashes	4	4	1	4	4

## Road Surface Conditions, Street Crashes

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Dry	1700	1576	1608	1711	1730
Wet	353	469	372	419	373
Snow, Ice	18	57	61	44	56
Other / Unknown	2	19	14	13	1
Mud	1	0	2	2	2
Water/Standing	0	2	0	7	1
Water/Moving	0	0	0	1	1
Slush	5	25	15	8	10



## Contributing Factors – Street Crashes

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Exceeding Speed Limit	9	17	13	13	10
Too Fast for Conditions	162	233	162	168	164
Improper Passing	34	32	14	18	26
Violation – Signal/Sign	94	105	98	100	113
Wrong Side of Road	8	10	8	6	8
Following Too Close	679	637	587	619	625
Improper Signal	2	3	3	5	2
Improper Backing	147	148	162	169	164
Improper Turn	80	83	78	85	94
Improper Lane Use/ Change	302	286	316	300	319
Wrong Way (One-Way)	0	2	1	1	3
Improper Start from Park	4	1	7	7	8
Improperly Parked	12	13	10	13	12
Failed to Yield	357	347	347	303	345
Alcohol	64	54	48	49	41
Drugs	17	13	12	10	16
Physical Impairment	11	17	14	13	11
Inattention	286	270	396	387	347
No Contributing Factors	1807	1822	1798	1918	1870



## High Crash Locations

## # of Crashes

Rt. K / Mt. Auburn Exchange	56
Kingshighway / Independence Exchange	56
Rt. K / Siemers Exchange	33
Broadway between Kingshighway and Walker St.	33
Rt. K / St. Francis Exchange	32



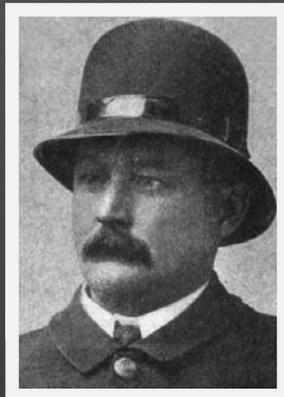
# Final Roll Call



PtIm. Albert Demortiers

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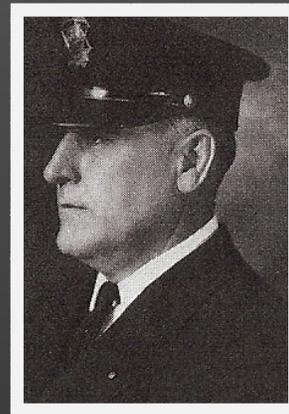
10/27/1917



PtIm. Willis A. Martin

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02/27/1921



Chief Nathaniel J. Hutson

EOW

10/07/1922



Auxiliary Officer  
Herbert L. Goss

EOW

03/10/1961



PtIm. Donald Crittendon

EOW

03/21/1961

*"Heroes Live Forever"*

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## Council-Manager Government

Mayor	Mr. Harry Rediger
City Manager	Mr. Scott Meyer

Council Members:

Ward 1:	Mr. Joseph Uzoaru
Ward 2:	Mrs. Shelly Moore
Ward 3:	Mr. Victor Gunn
Ward 4:	Mr. Robbie Guard
Ward 5:	Mr. Bob Fox
Ward 6:	Dr. Wayne Bowen

Full Time Commissioned Personnel: 80	2016 Calls for Service: 63,609
Full Time Civilian Personnel: 33	FY 2016 Police Budget: \$8,036,230

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