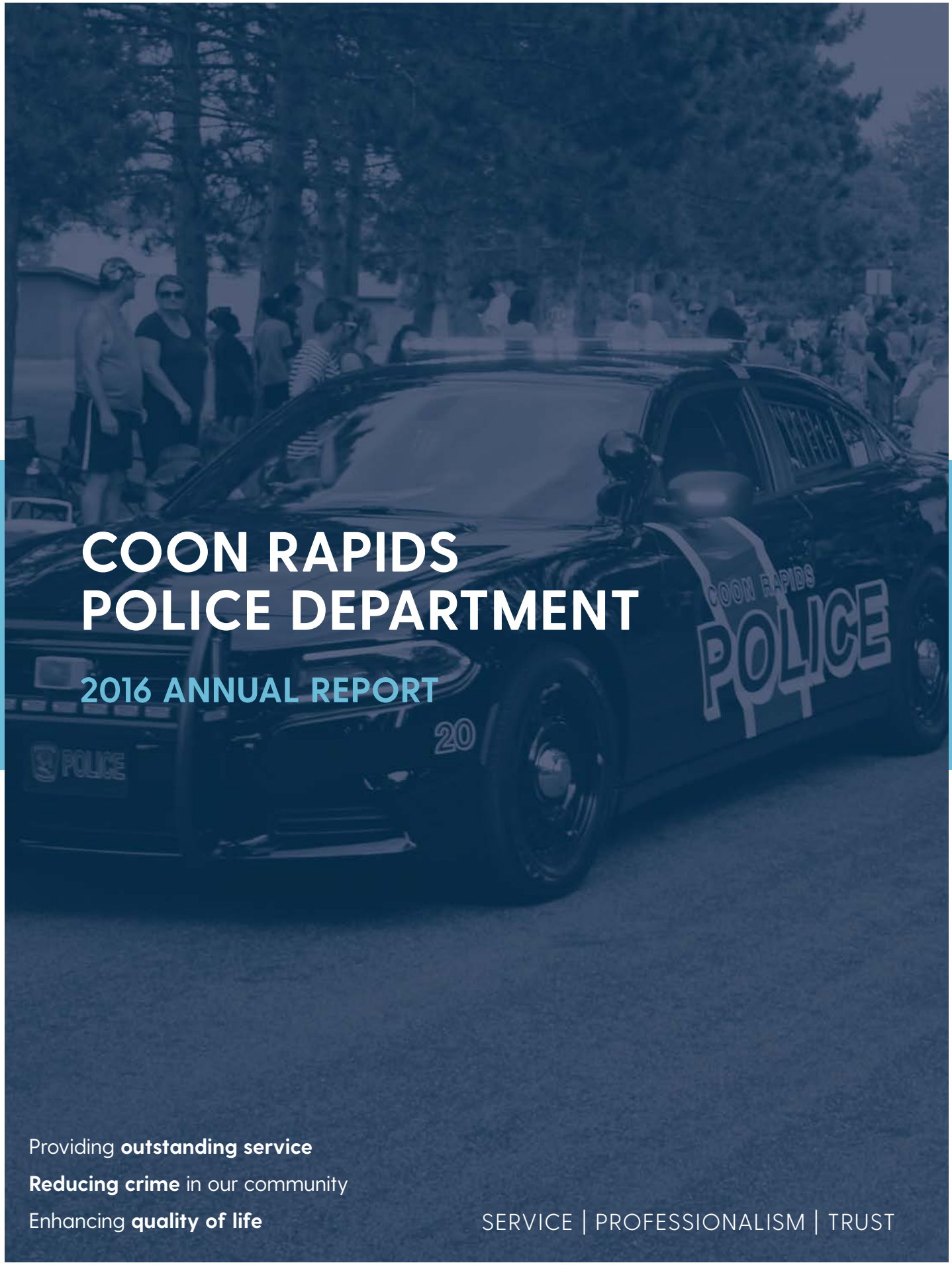

COON RAPIDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

2016 ANNUAL REPORT

Providing **outstanding service**

Reducing crime in our community

Enhancing **quality of life**

SERVICE | PROFESSIONALISM | TRUST

COON RAPIDS AT A GLANCE

Incorporated 1952

Population 62,527

Geographic Area 23.34 sq. miles

City Streets 221 miles

Developed 91%

Number of Jobs 22,106

Housing Units 24,462

Median Household Income $64,694

Parks 48 parks 40 miles of trails, 800 acres of park land

Welcome to Coon Rapids. Our Police Department prides itself in providing superior service to our community. We have a sworn staff of 65 officers that have worked very hard to create a culture of working in partnership with our community as we strive to fulfill our mission to enhance public safety. It is the intellect, passion and people skills of our staff that is paramount, therefore, we invest significantly in providing the best training possible. Additionally, our department uses state-of-the-art equipment to ensure officers have the tools they need to be effective public servants.

Together we can continue the important work of keeping our community a safe place to live and work!

Chief Brad Wise

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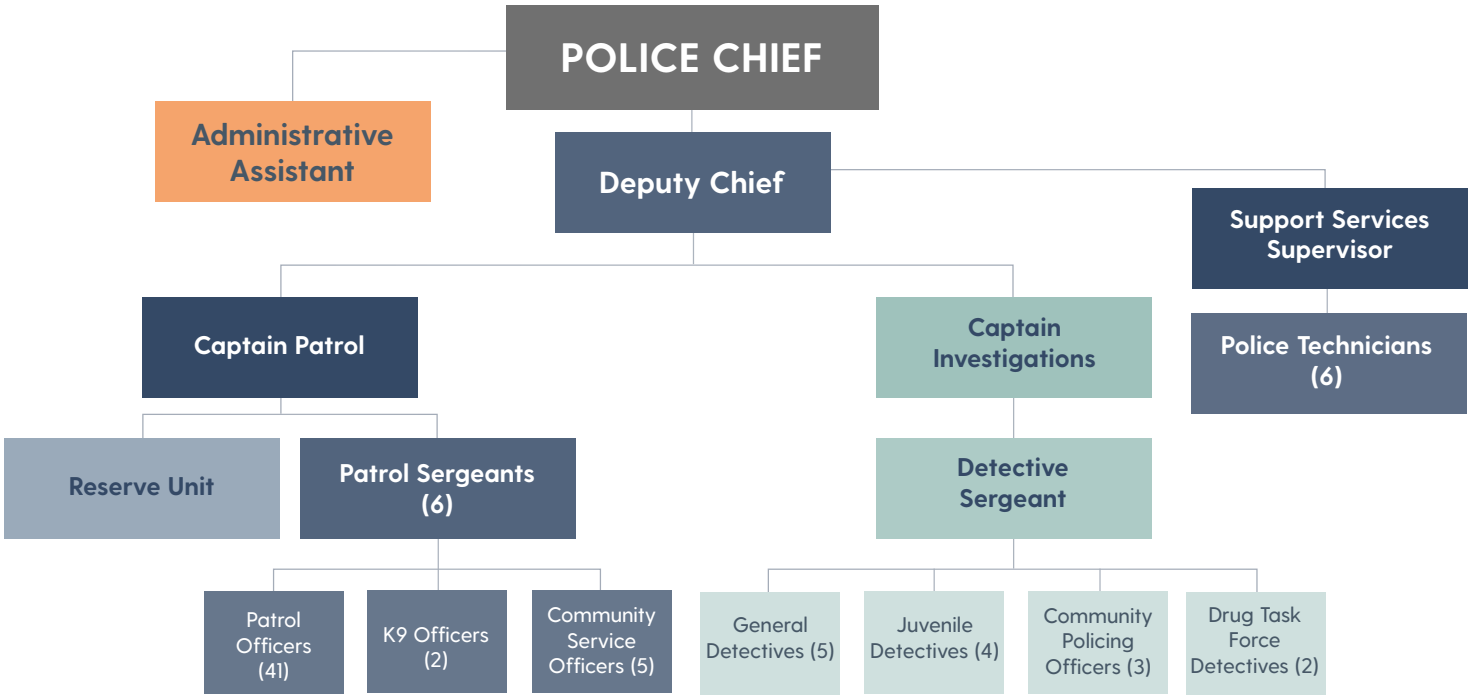


2016 Authorized Strength

Sworn Police Officers / Full Time	65
Civilian / Full Time	7
Civilian / Part Time	5

2016 City Budget

General Fund	$29,439,801
Police Department	$9,655,166

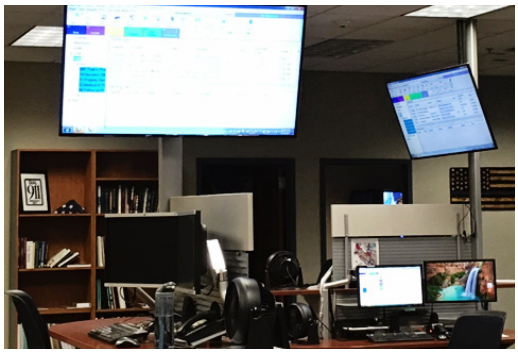
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

This division includes Police Chief Brad Wise, Deputy Chief Paul Ireland, Administrative Secretary Liza Brazelton and Support Services Supervisor Renee Kaulfuss. Five full-time Police Technicians and one Information Specialist work during business hours, Monday through Friday.

The Administrative Division is responsible for the overall management of the department by providing all employees with the resources and equipment necessary to perform our mission.

EQUIPMENT

The most visible piece of police equipment is the patrol vehicle. All police patrol vehicles are outfitted with computers, Automated External Defibrillators and video recording equipment. Patrol vehicles are acquired through the budgeting process based on a system of replacement set up by Officer Steve Beberg. Officer Beberg takes great pride in providing patrol officers with a mobile office that is designed well and provides the tools and technology that officers need to do their jobs. His inventive and fiscally responsible work has resulted in a Coon Rapids Police vehicle being featured at the 2016 MN Chief's Convention.



The police department also utilizes six bicycles. Several officers are trained to use the bikes during large gatherings when squad cars are not practical.

In 2016, Captain Jon Urquhart directed an upgrade to facility technology. The project resulted in the installation of several smartboards and monitors throughout the police department and an additional smartboard in the police lobby.
The smartboards will be utilized for training, daily roll call briefings and most importantly, for emergency management. The public is able to read public safety information on the lobby smartboard. The upgrade has also greatly reduced department reliance on paper.

Administration oversees the maintenance, repair, replacement and budgeting for digital recorders, firearms, cameras, computers and transcribing equipment.

TRAINING

Administration ensures that all officers attend continuing education and training required by the MN POST Board (Peace Officer Standards and Training) for peace officer licensing. This required training includes a review of use of force and use of deadly force. Officers take part in video scenarios that test deadly force decision making. They also attend hands-on use of force/defensive tactics training as well as firearms training annually. These trainings are under the supervision of fellow officers and supervisors who are certified instructors. POST also requires that officers receive emergency vehicle operation training every five years. This training takes part at the MN Highway Safety and Research Center in St. Cloud, MN. Officers drive squads provided by the center and go through high speed maneuvers in accident avoidance, braking and cornering. There is also a skid pad that simulates slippery conditions.

Officers hold certifications in first aid and emergency medical response which must be renewed every two years. In addition, officers are sent to training on a variety of contemporary subjects including mental health, active shooter incidents and terrorism. The sergeants attend a series of supervision and management courses through the Minnesota BCA (Bureau of Criminal Apprehension).

Captain Urquhart attended the 264th session of the FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA from April to June. The National Academy is a highly sought-after training program that focuses on leadership and self-improvement. The academic courses are accredited through the University of Virginia at the undergraduate and graduate level.

RECORDS

A major function of administration is maintaining police records and data. Police technicians transcribe reports, file, update, and report to state and national databases. In addition to maintaining police records, the support services staff respond to various inquiries by phone, walk-in, email and direct mail from the public and other criminal justice agencies. Technicians maintain the tracking of evidence and property, including video evidence.

In 2016, the Administration Division entered into a partnership with the Anoka County WorkForce Center Internship Program. WorkForce provided interns to assist with the workload of the records division. The department provided the interns with a positive work environment and a place to gain office skill experience. The paid internships were funded by the Anoka County WorkForce Center.

In 2016, the Records Unit processed 33,532 records and 4800 citations.

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

Administrative Secretary Liza Brazelton provides administrative support to the Chief of Police and other areas of the department. Her responsibilities include maintaining supplies and office equipment as well as administrative support for Emergency Management. Liza is in charge of the summer college internship program. She interviews and selects applicants to work in the records division and participate in ride-a-longs. Liza monitors alarm calls that officers are dispatched to. She notifies individuals and businesses that have false alarms and issues warnings followed by administrative fines for repeated false alarms.

Animal control issues in the city are managed by Liza. She works with the Community Service Officers to address multiple pet permit violations and administrative orders involving dog bites. Liza coordinates appeal hearings for potentially dangerous dogs. Liza also plans and coordinates an annual pet fair.

In 2017, Liza will also be coordinating the Night to Unite event and assisting the COPPS Unit in other areas of crime prevention.

Pet Fair 2016. “Picture courtesy of ABC Newspapers”

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

There are three State of Minnesota certified emergency managers within the Department. They are Chief Brad Wise, Captain Jon Urquhart and Sergeant John Stahnke. The City of Coon Rapids has an Emergency Management structure that coordinates planning and response with Coon Rapids Fire and Public Works as well as other local communities, Anoka County, the State of Minnesota, and Federal Emergency Management organizations. Emergency Management works to:

- Coordinate response and relief efforts with other agencies and resources
- Develop and maintain emergency operation plans
- Drill and conduct exercises in preparation or prevention of real disasters
- Provide educational information to the public
- Respond to and manage emergency and disaster incidents
- Test and maintain public warning systems

In 2016, supervisors, officers and staff participated in 15 emergency management exercises. Some of these exercises covered pre-planning and preparedness for pandemics (in partnership with the Anoka County Department of Health) and Pipeline Safety. In July, a full scale exercise was conducted with Northern Natural Gas and CenterPoint Energy. The training scenario was an attack on a major gas pipeline in the city. Agencies that participated in this exercises included; MN Office of Pipeline Safety, FBI, Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Allina Health Emergency Medical Services, Coon Rapids Fire and Public Works Departments. The Brooklyn Park Fire Department's Mobile Command Post was used in the exercise. In addition, officers and school staff participated in several school emergency preparedness drills.

ASSISTANT SYSTEMS MANAGER

In February of 2016, The City of Coon Rapids entered into an agreement with the JLEC (Anoka County Joint Law Enforcement Council) to host a 32 hour per week Assistant Systems Manager position. Police department Records Technician Britta Maddox was appointed to fill the position. The Joint Law Enforcement Council pays for 32 hours per week for this position. The City of Coon Rapids pays for the remaining eight hours per week. The Assistant Systems Manager provides technical support and training for all aspects of the Public Safety Data System. This encompasses CAD (Computer Assisted Dispatch), Mobile access for Law and Fire agencies, report writing and records maintenance. The Assistant Systems Manager's primary focus is end-user training, troubleshooting and working with vendors to test upgrades or new features.

The remaining eight hours of this position is dedicated to assisting the police department with digital evidence such as squad videos, photos and electronic documents. Additionally, Britta Maddox troubleshoots computer–related issues and assists with digital investigations.

ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION PERSONNEL CHANGES

New Employees

Britny Schmitz – Information Specialist	April 4, 2016
Darrin Williams – Informational Specialist	November 28, 2016

Change in Status

Britta Maddox – PSDS Assistant System Manager	February 29, 2016
Britny Schmitz – Records Technician	October 24, 2016

Resignations

Kimberly Reinke – Records Technician	October 12, 2016

2016 AWARDS

Renee Kaulfuss, Ann Patterson, Carey Strouse, Christy Bonczek and Sue Theis received Awards of Merit in recognition of excellent work and leadership in the planning and implementation of the Public Safety Data System project.

Britta Maddox received an Award of Merit in recognition of excellent leadership in the planning, implementation, training and technical aspects of the Public Safety Data System project.

GRANTS

In 2016, the department applied for and was awarded a Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of $10,380.00. This money was used to purchase needed equipment that was not included in the 2016 budget.

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION GOALS FOR 2017

- **Implement eCharging interface from our field-based reporting (FBR) system into the courts eCharging program.**
- **Terminate the J.L.E.C. contract with APS TicketWriter, and replace with our own in-house (FBR) citation writing system. This will streamline efficiency for officers and records staff.**
- **Increase our ability to use reporting capabilities of the system. This would allow agencies to efficiently pull data for statistical information, performance measures and annual reports.**

Our success is largely based on a fiscally responsible budget with the support of our elected officials. The Mayor and City Council understand that Coon Rapids police officers are committed to protecting and serving our citizens. We thank them for their support and leadership.

INVESTIGATION DIVISION

This division includes Captain Jon Urquhart and Detective Sergeant John Stahnke. Five detectives are assigned to general investigations. They are primarily assigned to investigate serious crimes (felonies). Three detectives and one officer are assigned to investigate juvenile crime, missing juveniles and child protection issues. Three officers are assigned to the Community Oriented Policing and Problem Solving (COPPS) Unit. The COPPS officers specialize in policing both apartment and single family rental properties as well as retail areas of the city. They are tasked with finding long term solutions to persistent problems.

Division members are also responsible for several specialties; including arson, predatory offenders, auto theft, forfeitures, pawn shops, mental health, elder abuse, missing adults and juveniles. They also serve as firearm instructors, defensive tactics instructors, Taser instructors and crime scene processors.

Some of the more challenging cases that occurred in 2016 include multiple burglaries at two storage facilities, two high-profile robberies at local businesses and the theft of multiple vehicles from several car dealerships. All of these complex cases were investigated and resulted in arrests.

PREDATORY OFFENDERS

One investigator, with the help of several patrol officers, ensure compliance with the offenders that reside in the city. They make sure that they are registered in accordance with the law. In 2016, we held a community meeting for a Level 3 offender that moved in to the city. This was held in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Corrections who is responsible for the designation of the offenders.

ANOKA-HENNEPIN NARCOTICS AND VIOLENT CRIMES TASK FORCE

Two Coon Rapids officers are assigned to this unit to try and lessen the impact of narcotics and violent crimes in our community. They work long hours trying to attack the illegal flow of narcotics into the city. One of the officers assigned to this unit was a co-case agent in a case that eventually led to the seizure of over 130 lbs. of Methamphetamine housed in a neighboring suburb and multiple indictments. This was the largest seizure of Methamphetamine in State history. A second case led to the arrest of a resident that had 35 lbs. of Methamphetamine, several guns along with other drugs.

ANOKA-HENNEPIN NARCOTICS & VIOLENT CRIMES TASK FORCE

Reported 2016

Drug Type/ Unit	Total	Seized	Purchased
Cash		$513,900	
Cocaine (grams)	1158.6	883.97	274.63
Crack (grams)	11.85	11.85	
Ecstasy (doses)			
MJ Wax (grams)			
Heroin	56.6	49.35	7.25
LSD/Acid (hits)			
Marijuana (grams)	14,495.54	14,487.24	8.3
Meth (grams)	88,385.19	87,768.03	617.16
MJ Grow (plants)	5	5	
MJ wax/BHO (grams)	2342.91	2,342.91	
MJ Synthetic (grams)			
Morphine (tabs)			
Mushrooms			
Oxycodone (tabs)			
Prescription (tabs)	465	465	
Steroids (doses)			
Amphetamine Salts	50	50	
Vehicle	9	9	
Weapons (guns)	10	10	

NIGHT TO UNITE

Night to Unite is held on the first Tuesday in August. The event is designed to generate support for and participation in local anti-crime programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit, and foster police-community partnerships. Activities include neighborhood block parties which are attended by Coon Rapids police officers. Officers visit with citizens, share crime prevention tips and socialize. In 2016, Coon Rapids citizens organized 110 block parties throughout the city with an estimated 2400 participants.

INVESTIGATION DIVISION PERSONNEL CHANGES

Brian Beedle
Patrol Officer/COPPS Unit — March 8, 2016

Dawn Berglund
Patrol Officer/School Liaison Officer — March 21, 2016

Retirements

Bradley W. Johnson - Detective
December 30, 2016

Bradley Johnson was hired on March 31, 1986, and was initially assigned to the Patrol Division. He served as a Field Training Officer from 12/91 to 8/03. He also served as an Explorer Post Advisor from 9/95 to 9/97. In August of 2003, he was promoted to Detective with an assignment to Coon Rapids High School. During his 30 year tenure, Detective Johnson was awarded two Awards of Merit and one Award of Valor. He served on a statewide board to address bullying in schools.

David J. Westberg - Detective
December 30, 2016

David J. Westberg was hired on August 29, 1988, and was originally assigned to the Patrol Division. During his time as a Patrol Officer, he was an Explorer Post Advisor from 8/1992 until 6/1995. He was a Field Training Officer from 10/1992 until he was promoted to Detective in 1999. He also was a Crime Scene Processor from 1992 until he retired. Westberg also served as a Union Steward from 10/1997 until 05/2003.

He also received three Awards of Merit from the department and a City award of Professional Achievement. He received an award from the FBI for his work in solving a bank robbery that had ties to ten other robberies. The United States Secret Service presented him with an award for solving a series of counterfeiting cases and the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association awarded him the Meritorious Service award for his work in solving a homicide in 2003. He was also known as a statewide expert in forfeitures.

AWARDS

Detective Matt Lund received an Award of Merit for investigating a narcotics case which netted forty six pounds of narcotics.

GRANTS

Anoka County Auto Theft Task Force

This program is funded by a competitive grant from the Department of Commerce with the goal of reducing the amount of auto thefts through education and enforcement.

The task force is a cooperative effort among Anoka County law enforcement agencies to reduce the occurrence of auto theft through education and directed enforcement. Education in the form of informational pamphlets, billboards and newspaper ads. Enforcement through information sharing and coordinated investigations among multiple agencies. Some investigations have been extremely complex, involving hundreds of stolen autos, and involving agencies in other states.

The grant is funded by the Department of Commerce through registration tab fees. Coon Rapids Detective Chad Duckson wrote the past and current grant applications and he is responsible for quarterly reports, fund distribution and accounting, directing operations and record keeping.

INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION GOALS FOR 2017

- **To aggressively investigate the crime of burglary and reduce its occurence.**
- **Work in a proactive manner to reduce the crime rate in Coon Rapids.**
- **Continue to integrate technology into the division for better efficiency.**

Trends: We are seeing more and more complex cases in all criminal areas that require a larger investment of time devoted to each case.

PATROL DIVISION

This division includes Patrol Captain Tom Hawley, Patrol Sergeants Rick Boone, Daren Keasling, Ben Bautch, Brady Madson, Bill Steiner and Mike Blair. The patrol sergeants supervise 41 officers and five community service officers (CSO). Sergeants and officers are assigned to four ten hour shifts, 6:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Noon to 10:00 PM, 4:00 PM to 2:00 AM and 9:00 PM to 7:00 AM. The shifts overlap to provide extra officers during busy times of the day or night. Officers rotate shifts up to three times a year and rotate between four patrol sectors to keep familiar with all areas of the city.

The patrol officers respond to a wide variety of emergency and non-emergency calls in marked police vehicles. They respond to crime reports, crimes in progress, traffic crashes and many non-crime calls for service such as medical emergencies and mental health crises. When not dispatched to calls, patrol officers enforce traffic laws and city ordinances, patrol problem areas, serve arrest warrants and engage in many other services.

In addition, officers serve as instructors for the department in the areas of defensive tactics and firearms. These instructors provide training each year for all officers.

The Coon Rapids Police and Fire Departments delivering food shelf items for the Anoka County Brotherhood Council.

HEART SAFE PROGRAM

According to the Minnesota Department of Health, sudden cardiac arrest is the second-leading cause of death in Minnesota, responsible for almost 20% of deaths. The Heart Safe Communities initiative is an effort to prevent death from sudden cardiac arrest by:

- Increasing community and public awareness of sudden cardiac arrest.
- Placing automated external defibrillators (AEDs) wherever people live, work and play,
- Educating the public on how to administer hands-only CPR.

Heart Safe Coon Rapids

A Heart Safe City designation recognizes a community's efforts to prepare its staff and citizens to respond when someone suffers a sudden cardiac arrest. Any municipality, county or organization in Minnesota can apply for the Heart Safe designation from the Minnesota Department of Health and American Heart Association. In November of 2013, Coon Rapids received the designation as a Heart Safe Community thanks to the efforts of Officer Bryan Platz and several volunteers with the Heart Safe Coon Rapids program. Coon Rapids became the first city in Anoka County and the 25th city in the state to receive an official designation. Heart Safe Coon Rapids volunteers have trained over 13,000 people in the community in hands-only CPR and Automated External Defibricator use. Officer Platz and volunteers were instrumental in identifying public areas of the city where AEDs could be placed. Initially, there were only 23 AEDs in public areas of the city. That number has grown to 150 due to the efforts of the program. Heart Safe volunteers have also trained employees at over 60 businesses in the community.

In February, Officer Platz was invited to speak to community leaders in the city of Worcester, United Kingdom to assist in their efforts to become the first city in that nation to initiate the program. Officer Platz has been invited to return to the United Kingdom in April of 2017 to take part in meetings with government and emergency services leaders in an effort to expand Heart Safe nationally.

In 2016, Heart Safe volunteers finished training all students and faculty at the Coon Rapids High School. As a result of their efforts, the Coon Rapids High School was designated as a Heart Safe Campus. It became the first public high school in the state to receive the designation.

Members of Coon Rapids Heart Safe currently serve on several state and national committees and have been instrumental in the expansion and evolution of the program. In 2017, Heart Safe Coon Rapids will begin to promote the use of sudden cardiac arrest kits that will contain new first responder equipment. The new equipment has proven to be more effective for the immediate treatment of sudden cardiac arrest and the goal is to install the new cardiac arrest care kits in every squad car in the county. The cost of the kits is being covered through a grant from the Mercy-Unity Hospital Foundation. Only one other city in the nation is currently rolling out this program.

And finally, several lives have already been saved by Heart Safe Coon Rapids trained citizens. In 2016, a Coon Rapids Little League coach received training just eight days before witnessing a team member go into cardiac arrest on the field. The coach performed CPR for 12 minutes until the arrival of paramedics. The victim was hospitalized and released less than a week later and is expected to make a complete recovery.

Heart Safe Training at Coon Rapids High School

SPECIALTY ASSIGNMENTS

Several patrol officers serve in specialty assignments that enhance the effectiveness of the division. Two officers are certified K-9 handlers. Officer Brian Sternquist has a K-9 partner "Taz" and Officer Interna Kim has a K-9 partner "Ike". These K-9 partners assist in searching for missing persons and suspects, make apprehensions of wanted criminals and perform dog demonstrations for many community groups.

Picture courtesy of ABC Newspapers

Another specialty assignment for patrol officers is teaching D.A.R.E (Drug Abuse Resistance Education). Since 1988, the Police Department has provided patrol officers to instruct the nationally recognized D.A.R.E. program in all elementary schools in Coon Rapids.

Through the D.A.R.E. program, officers help students:

- Learn accurate information about drugs and violence
- Have an understanding of the effects of drug abuse that go beyond the physical ramifications and extend to emotional, social, and economic aspects of life
- Understand responsibility, decision-making and problem solving skills and strategies to help students make informed decisions that will help them resist drug use, peer pressure and violence
- Learn skills to resist peer pressure
- Understand how to choose good friends, help others, resist bullying, build self-esteem and develop confident communication skills
- Learn drug avoidance techniques

For the 2015-2016 school year, 654 fifth grade students graduated from the program.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

Four part-time community service officers cover shifts from 7:00 AM to 10:30 PM. New for 2016 is one full-time CSO. The community service officers perform many service type duties including vehicle lockouts, animal complaints/control, paper service, equipment maintenance and many other duties to free up patrol officers. The part-time CSO's are interns that are attending school toward becoming eligible to be hired as sworn patrol officers. Over the years the department has hired many former CSO's as police officers when they complete their degrees.

POLICE RESERVE UNIT

The Patrol Division accomplishes its mission with the assistance of civilian volunteers (police reserves) that are trained to assist the police with non-enforcement duties. Police reserves are members of the community that work full time jobs in addition to volunteering their time to the city. Non-enforcement duties they perform include traffic direction and crowd control at the 4th of July parade and carnival, the Epiphany Springfest, high school football and hockey games, traffic direction at accidents and prisoner transports. Some police reserves work paid details patrolling the parks and some work at Anoka-Ramsey Community College providing security. The Coon Rapids Police Reserve Unit also assists in emergencies and natural disasters in the community and around Minnesota. There are currently 13 police reserves that receive the same first aid/CPR training that police officers receive. In 2016, the Reserve Officer Unit continued their longstanding dedication to community service by providing 1,236 volunteer hours to the police department. In the fall of 2016, eleven new reserve officers joined the unit and they will begin their training in early 2017.

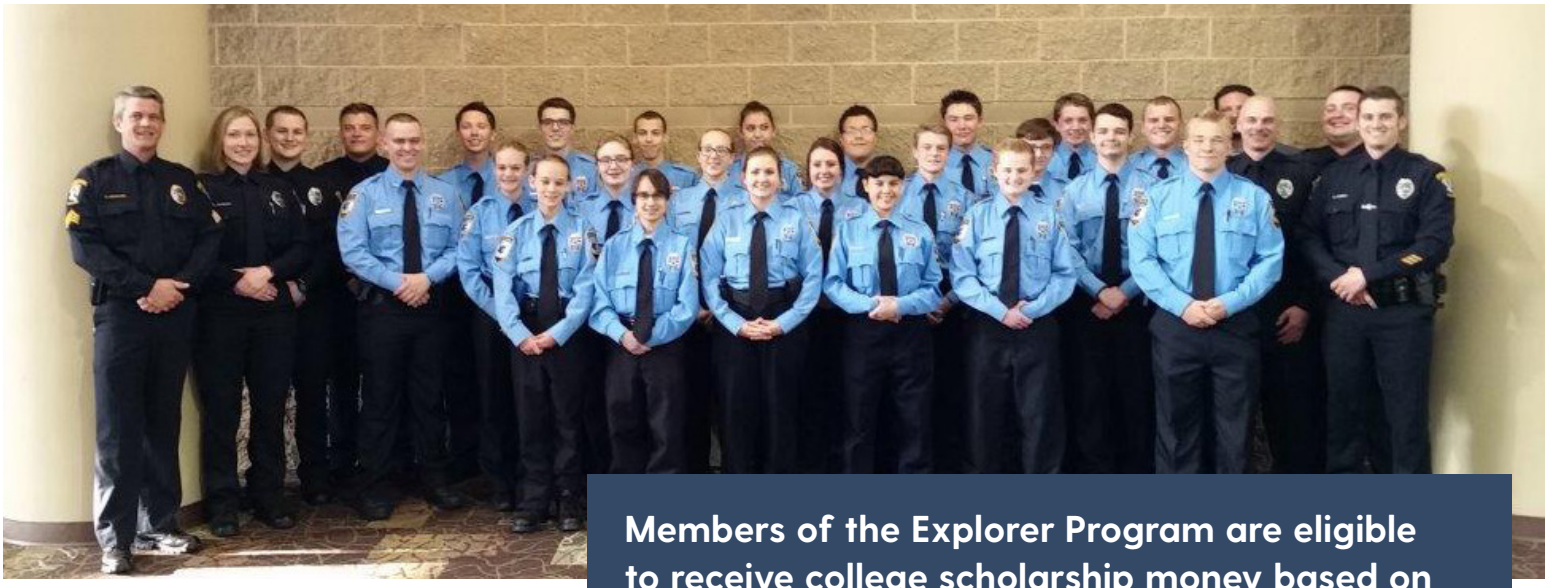
POLICE EXPLORERS

The Coon Rapids Police Department sponsors a Law Enforcement Explorer Post. The Explorer Program is available to young adults between the ages of 14 and 20 who a have an interest in law enforcement The Explorer Program is part of Learning for Life's Career Education Program which is an affiliate of the Boy Scouts of America.

As a member of the Police Explorer program, young adults learn first-hand the duties and responsibilities of police officers. The program assists young adults in building maturity and self-confidence through scenario based training. Police explorers have the opportunity to ride along with Coon Rapids Police Officers and observe real world law enforcement situations.

Coon Rapids Police Explorers assist the community by volunteering at several community service events throughout the year. Coon Rapids Police Explorers can be seen assisting the police department during the Coon Rapids Fourth of July festivities as well as the Coon Rapids High School homecoming parade.

Every year, members of the explorer program attend the State Law Enforcement Explorer Conference in Rochester, MN. During the conference, they compete against police explorers from around the state to test their knowledge in various law enforcement situations.



Members of the Explorer Program are eligible to receive college scholarship money based on their performance at the state conference.

POLICE CITIZENS ACADEMY

The 10th Coon Rapids Police Citizens Academy took place during the fall of 2016. Sixteen members of the community committed to the ten week program. The Police Citizens Academy is a free program offered by the police department as an educational tool for community members. The program allows citizens an inside look at the police department and introduces attendees to many of the officers who serve the community. During the course of the program, participants learn about a variety of topics by participating in lectures, demonstrations, tours, ride-a-longs, and hands-on exercises. Attendees learn about criminal investigation, crime scene processing, use of force, including deadly force, and traffic enforcement. The next Police Citizens Academy will take place during the fall of 2018.

SAFE KIDS

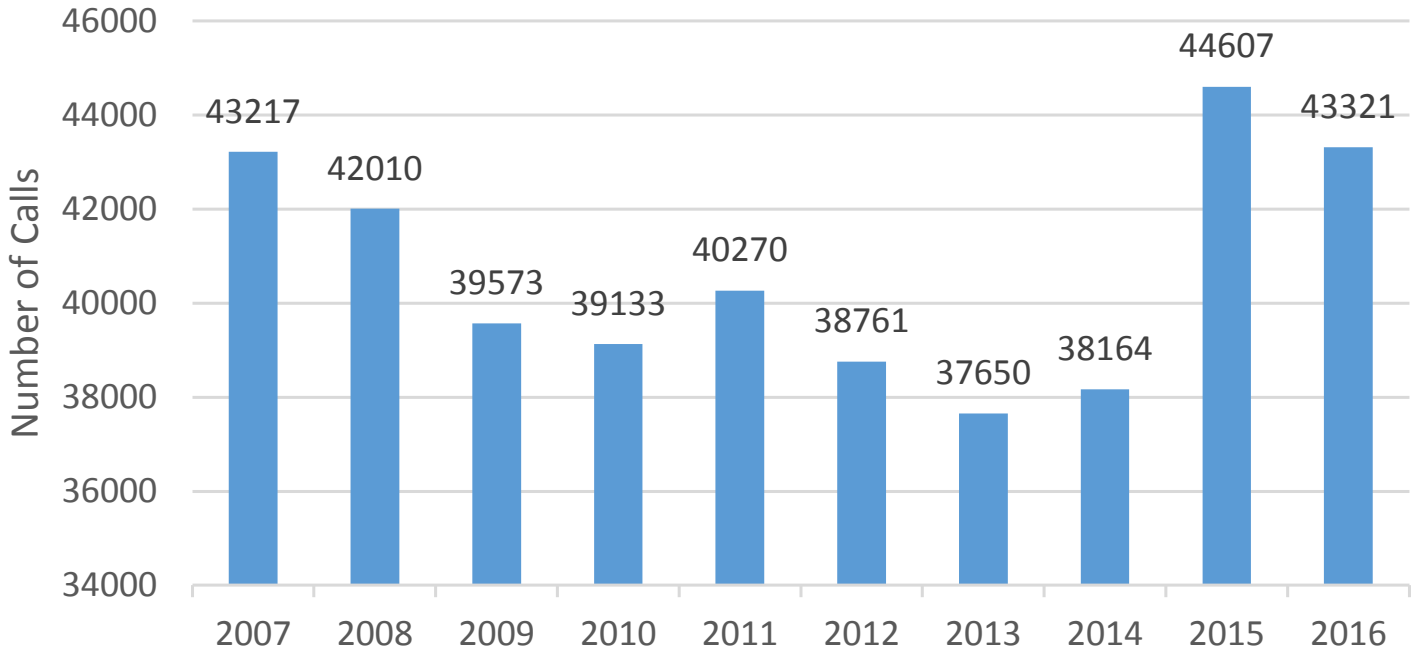
Safe Kids Anoka County is a local chapter that operates under Safe Kids Worldwide, a global network of organizations working to prevent unintentional childhood injuries which are the leading cause of death and disability for children. Officer Cameron Gustafson represents Coon Rapids in the program.

Officer Gustafson provides educational services to children and families by instructing at:

- Kids' Safety Camps
- Bike Helmet Clinics/Sales
- Car Seat Inspections/Clinics
- Educational Booths at Community and Prevention Events

In 2016, Officer Gustafson hosted 15 car seat installation clinics at the Coon Rapids Police Department for a total of 120 seats checked. In addition, 15 new car seats were donated to low-income families. The car seats were obtained through a grant and from the Safe Kids Coalition.

Calls for Service



Top Ten Calls for Service

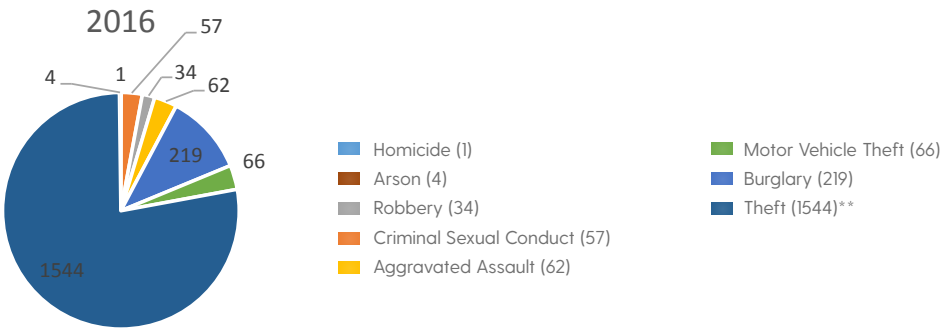
	Number of Calls
Medicals	3,573
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Phone Call/Other	2,764
Domestics	1,985
Accidents	1,889
Complaints (Noise, Motor Vehicle/Other)	1,735
Theft (Includes Shoplifting)	1,600
Alarms (Banks, Business and Residential)	1,421
Civil Disputes	960
Animal Complaints	912
Assist Other Law Enforcement Agencies	756

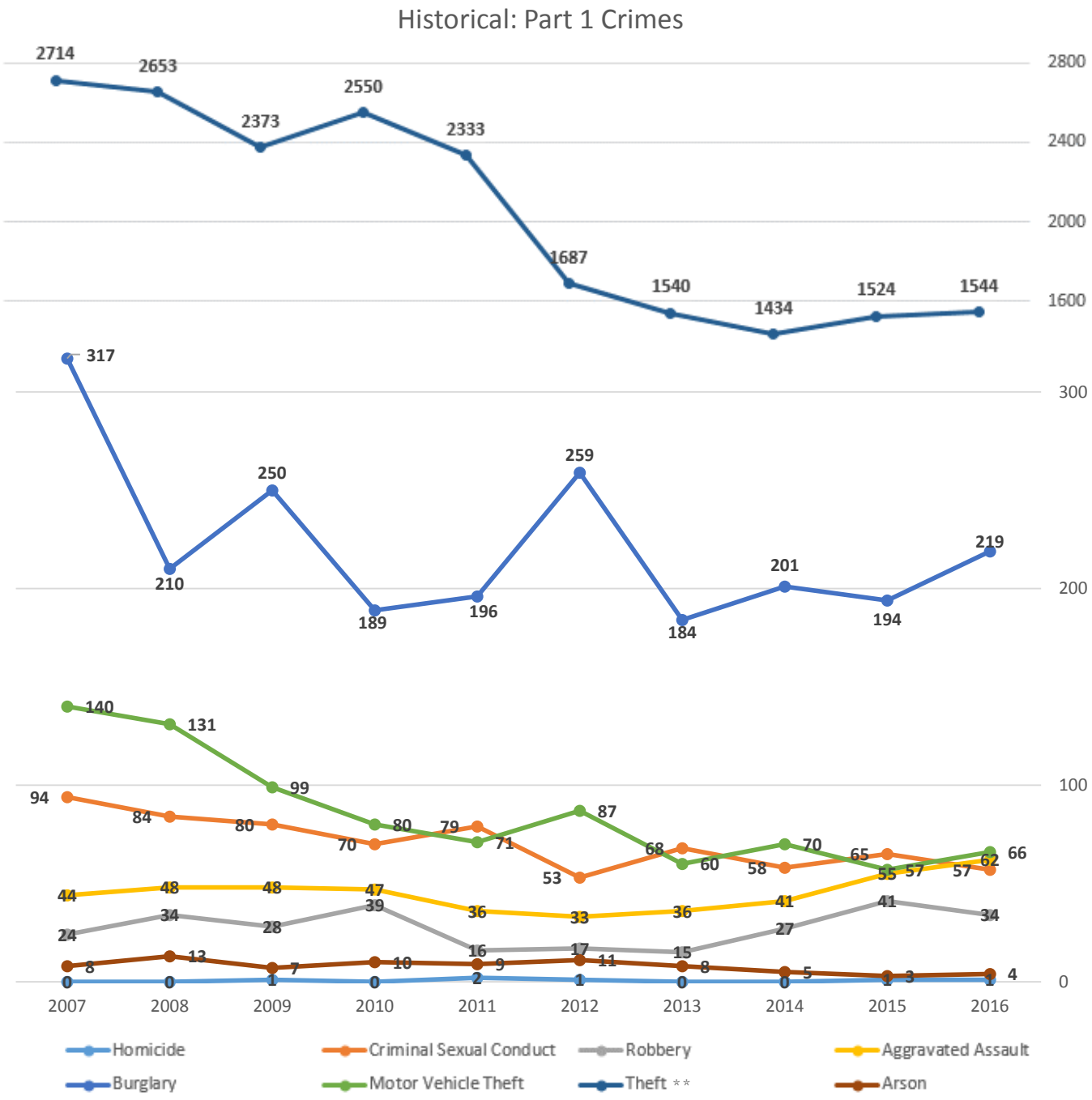
Top Ten Crime Calls

	Number of Calls
Theft (includes shoplifting)	1,600
Disorderly Conduct	652
Damage to Property/Vandalism	503
Narcotics	362
Assaults	290
Driving while Intoxicated/Under the Influence	269
Burglaries	203
Fraud	96
Obstruct Legal Process	91
Trespass Including (Violate Trespass Notice)	72

2016 Total Service Calls: 43,321

History of Crime





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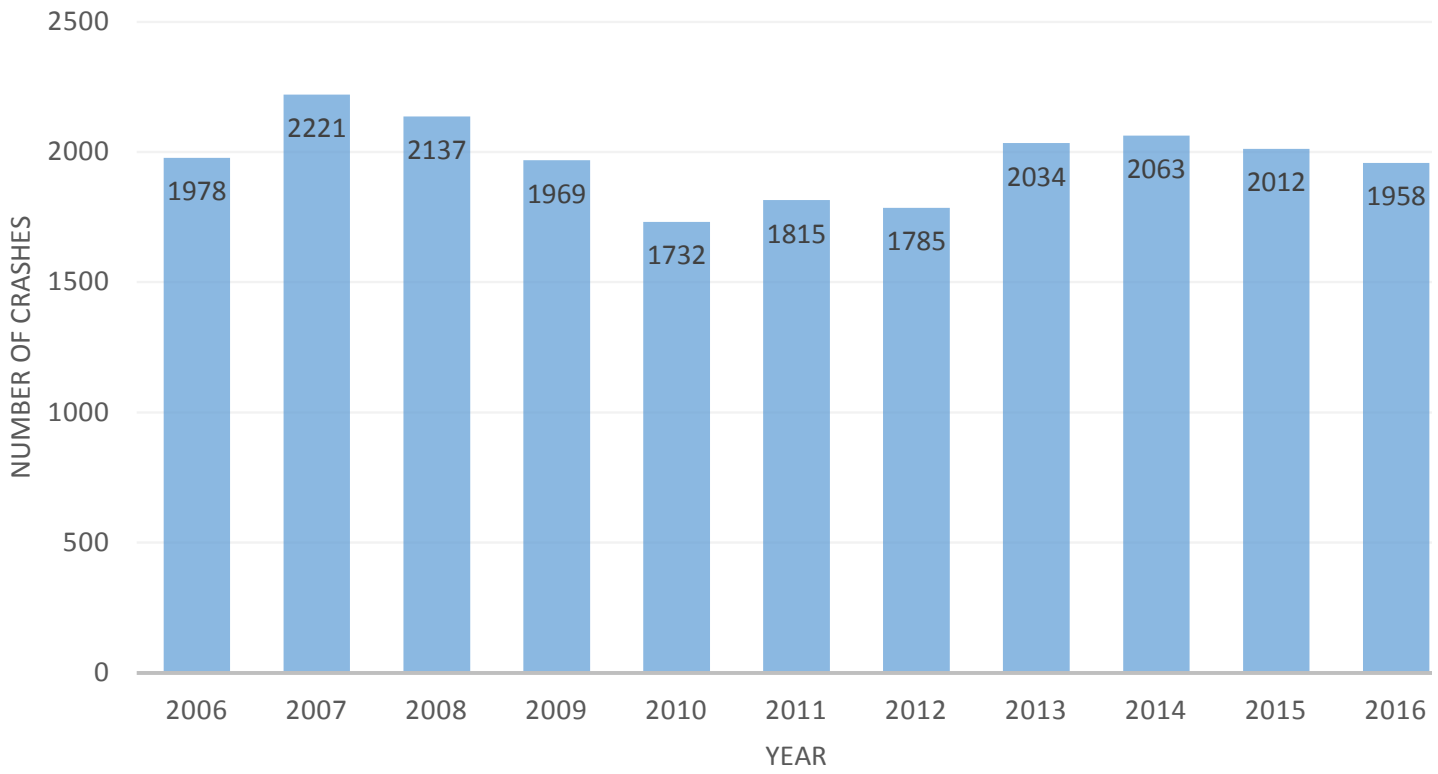
Crashes 2006-2016



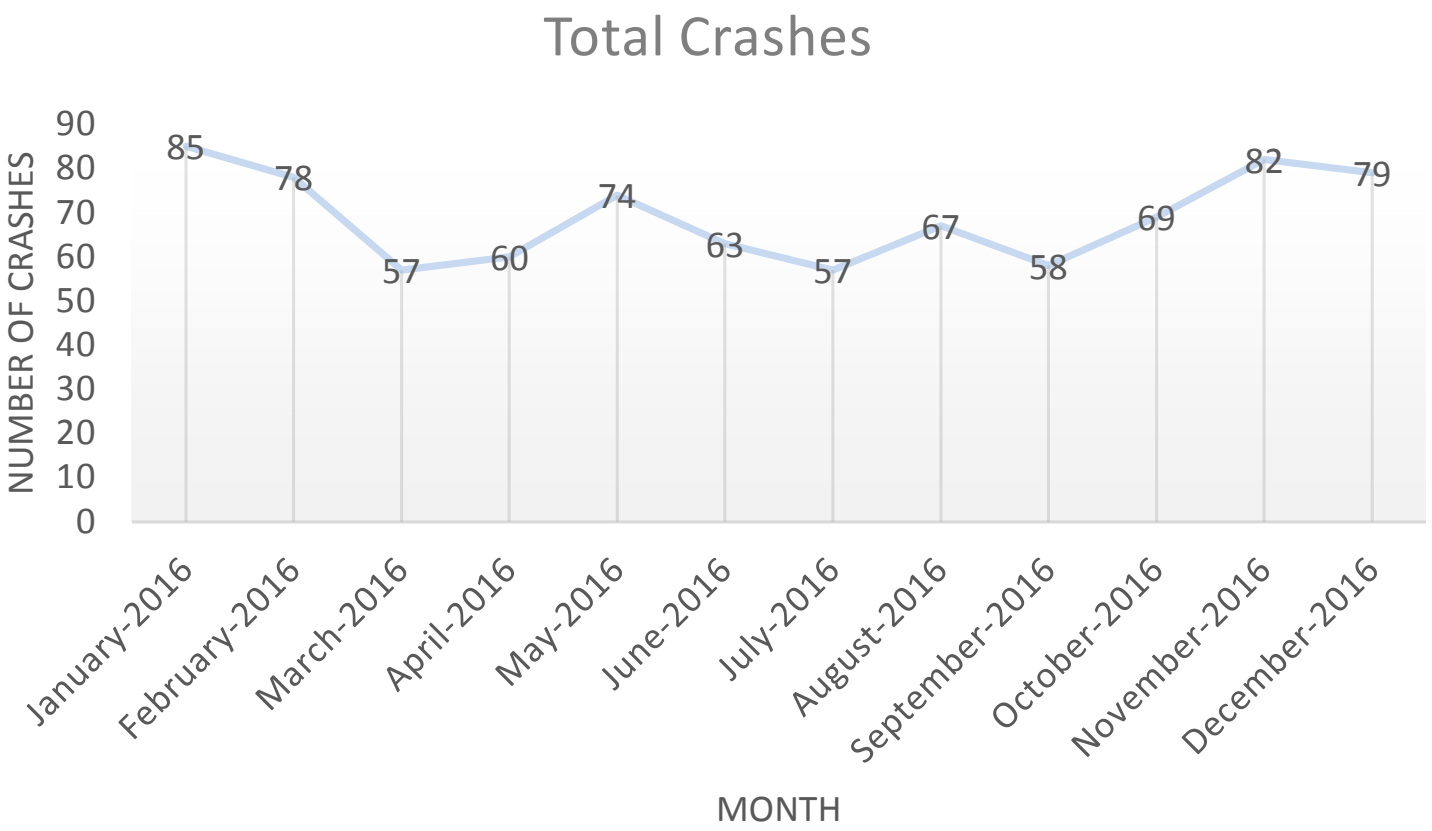
Contributing Factors to Crashes

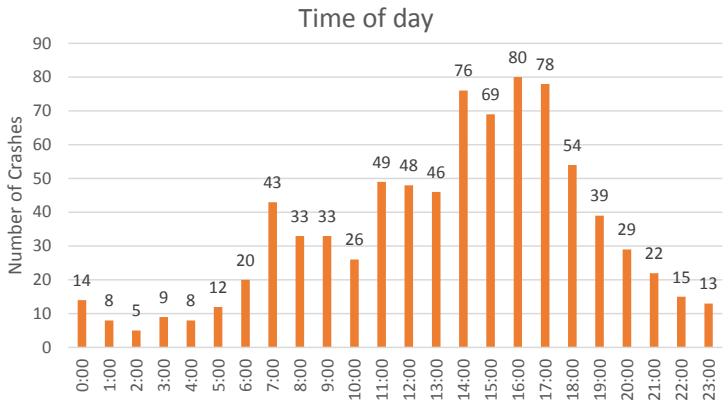
Failure to Yield Right-of-Way	130
Other Contributing Action	111
Following Too Closely	97
Driver Distracted	95
Operated Motor Vehicle in Careless, Negligent or Erratic Manner	91
Unknown	62
Improper Turn/Merge	41
Ran Red Light	37
Failed to Keep in Proper Lane	33
Swerved or Avoided Due to Wind, Slipper Surface, Motor Vehicle, Object, Non-Motorist in Roadway, etc.	23

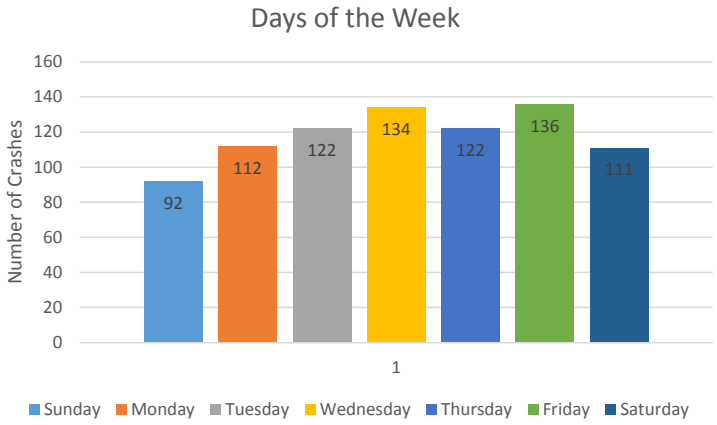
2016 Most Common Crash Areas (includes all reported crashes)

Highway 10 NW/Hanson Blvd NW	Hanson Blvd NW/Northdale Blvd NW
Highway 10 NW/Round Lake Blvd NW	Highway 10 NW/Main St NW
Coon Rapids Blvd NW/Hanson Blvd NW	12500 Block Riverdale Blvd NW
Highway 10 NW/Foley Blvd NW	4000 Block Coon Rapids Blvd NW
13000 Block Riverdale Dr NW	2300 Block Northdale Blvd NW

Total Crashes







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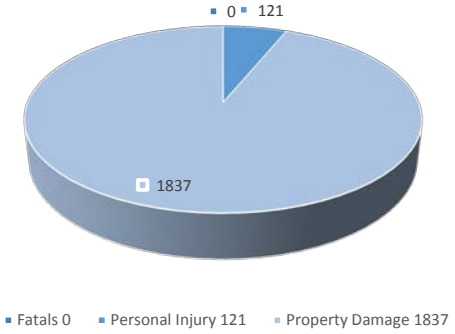

Top Ten Citation Violations

	Number of Violations
Speed	1,293
Insurance Violations	800
Driver's License Violations	737
Parking Violations	614
Theft Including Shoplifting	348
Stop/Yield Violations	300
Equipment Violations	264
DWI/DUI Under Influence Violations/Not A Drop	162
Seatbelt Violations	158
Registration Violations	133

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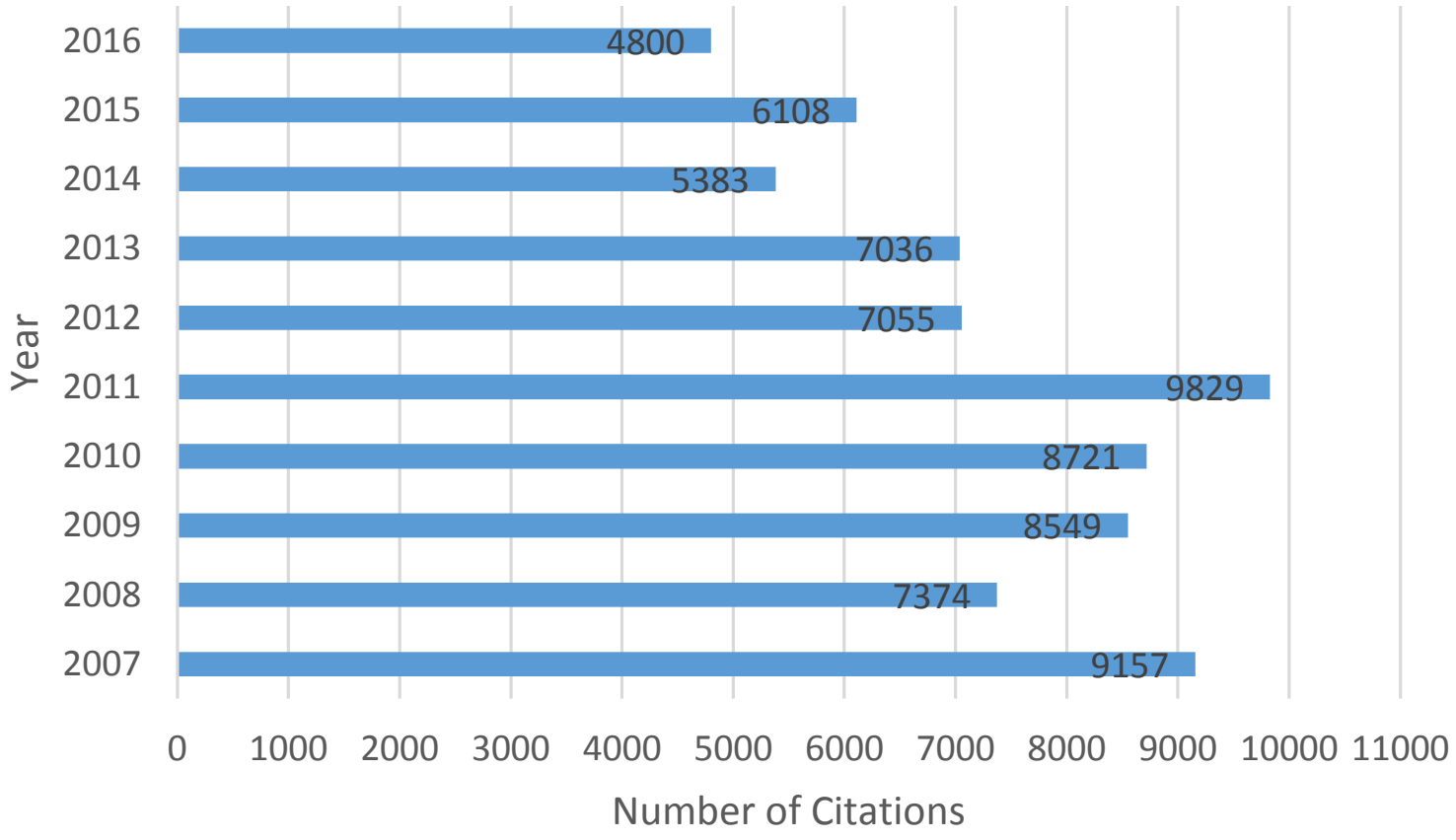
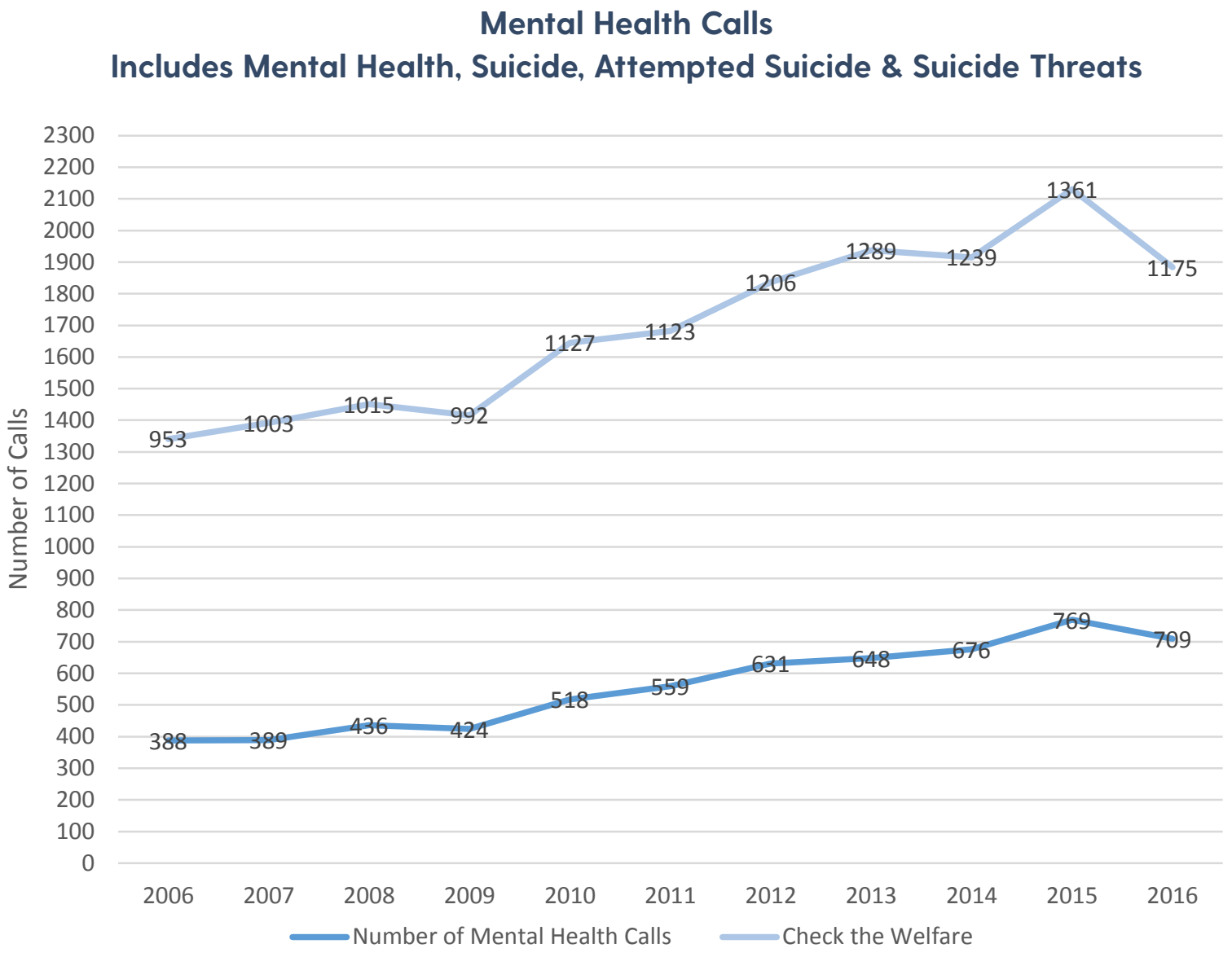


Mental Health Related Calls for Service 2006 – 2016

Since 2006, Coon Rapids officers have experienced an 83% increase in mental health related calls. This increase coincides with a national trend of an increase in police contacts with mentally ill individuals. Coon Rapids officers respond to a variety of mental health related calls including suicide threats and attempts, drug and alcohol impairment and check the welfare. Mental illness or impairment plays a role in many police/citizen contacts and this often requires a specialized response from officers. The Coon Rapids Police Department has made it a priority that officers attend the latest mental health related training available. Most officers and supervisors have attended hands-on training with strategies on how to diffuse and assist people in mental health crisis.

Training includes: Crisis Intervention Team (C.I.T.) Certification, De-escalation Strategies for MN Veterans in Crisis and Law Enforcement, Cultural Competency/Conflict Management and Autism Spectrum Disorders.



PATROL DIVISION PERSONNEL CHANGES

New Employees

Alex Hattstrom – Patrol Officer	February 8, 2016
Eric Burns – Community Service Officer	March 3, 2016
Jacob Lindgren – Community Service Officer	March 18, 2016
Eric Prindle – Community Service Officer	October 25, 2016
Troy Hyland – Patrol Officer	November 28, 2016
Samuel Laudenslager- Patrol Officer	November 28, 2016
Meng Yang – Community Service Officer	December 20, 2016

Change in Status

Tyler Olson – Patrol Officer	February 8, 2016
Brian Beedle – Patrol Officer/COPPS Unit	March 8, 2016
William (Bill) Hammes – Patrol Officer	March 13, 2016
Dawn Berglund – Patrol Officer/School Liaison Officer	March 21, 2016
Interna Kim – Patrol Officer/K9	June 18, 2016
Steven Minion – Patrol Officer	August 22, 2016

Resignations

Hans Link – Patrol Officer	July 20, 2016
Tyler Olson – Patrol Officer	October 14, 2016

Retirements

Kenneth Young – Patrol Officer	September 29, 2016

Kenneth "Will" Young became a patrol officer on January 7th, 1991 and worked his entire career as a patrol officer. Ken taught DARE at Eisenhower and Hoover Elementary Schools from 2000-2016.

2016 PATROL AWARDS

- **Officer Dan Durette** and **Officer Nik Oman** received an Award of Valor for entering a house filled with carbon monoxide gas to save two citizens.
- **Captain Tom Hawley** and **Officer Bryan Platz** received an Award of Valor for ending the crime spree of a dangerous felon fleeing a shooting.
- **Officer Nik Oman** and **Officer Alex Hattstrom** received an Award of Merit for apprehending a burglary suspect.
- **Officer Dan Freiberg** and **Officer Justin Hovorka** received Awards of Merit for being top performers in DUI enforcement.
- **Officers Jaime Jackson, Chris Grew, Justin Hovorka, Tyler Brown, Ariel Huddleson, Dan Durette** and **Michelle Coffey** received Awards of Merit for their response to a riot situation.
- **Officers Adam Jacobson, Alyssa Newbury, Denny Cook, Chris Grew** and **Sergeant Bill Steiner** received Awards of Merit for their response to a homicide situation.

GRANTS

In 2016, the Coon Rapids Police Department participated in a DWI Officer grant offered through the Office of Traffic Safety. The grant allows the police department to add an officer dedicated to the enforcement of impaired driving violations. The grant funds nearly 100% of the salary for the extra police officer position and the cost of an additional patrol vehicle.

In 2016 several officers took turns filling the grant position and were responsible for the arrest of 124 offenders. An added benefit to the department is realized by the experience these officers gain processing impaired drivers. Recent changes in DWI law has made it more difficult and time consuming to process impaired drivers. Some arrests are now requiring officers to apply for a search warrant. DWI officers become valuable sources of information to other officers on the department and they allow the Patrol Division to stay at full strength to respond to other emergencies.

This is the second year the department participated in this grant.

PATROL DIVISION GOALS FOR 2017

- **Provide prompt, professional police service to the community.**
- **Increase life expectancy as a Heart Safe Community via prompt response to medical emergencies and the use of ground-breaking technology for cardiac arrest including automatic external defibrillators (AEDs) and ResQPump CPR-assist devices.**
- **Continue extensive training on de-escalation techniques and responding to persons in mental health crisis.**

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