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**ANNUAL REPORT 2020**

**Community**

**Understanding**

**Service**

**Ethical Treatment**

*It is the mission of the Syracuse Police Department to prevent crime, enforce the law, and **understand** the needs of the **community**, while providing professional **service** and **ethical treatment** for everyone.*

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# Letter to the Mayor

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Ben Walsh, Mayor

April 12, 2021

Honorable Ben Walsh  
Office of the Mayor  
City Hall  
Washington Street  
Syracuse, New York 13202

Dear Mayor Walsh:

I respectfully submit to you the Syracuse Police Department's 2020 Annual Report.

The information and statistics captured in this report are indicative of the outstanding dedication and performance of the employees of the Syracuse Police Department.

You can be assured that the members of this Police Department will continue to work diligently to ensure a safe and secure city for the residents of Syracuse.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "KTB", is written over a horizontal line.

Kenton T. Buckner  
Chief of Police

# Annual Report Highlight

In 2020, COVID-19 impacted all aspects of daily life and there were no exceptions in the Syracuse Police Department. Seemingly overnight, the brave men and women of the Syracuse Police Department were forced to make several operational adjustments in order to continue providing vital public safety services in the midst of unknown and ever-changing circumstances and information regarding COVID-19.

Fortunately, through the use of innovative solutions like taking non-emergency reports over the phone or online through the Department's E-Serve and Tele-Serve services, extensive use of personal protective equipment, and routine decontamination processes, the Department was able to continue safely providing public safety services throughout the pandemic. Due to the shutdown that occurred after the arrival of COVID-19 in Onondaga County, some of the figures in this report (arrests, missing persons investigations, special events, etc.) have been impacted significantly when compared to the prior years.

After the initial shock of COVID-19 subsided, the Department settled into another unpredicted challenge - continuing to provide services under a new and more restrictive contingency budget. The City's revenue was significantly impacted by COVID-19 and all City departments were forced to adapt to these new circumstances and continue providing services with fewer resources. As the City's largest department, SPD was asked to sacrifice more than other City departments, but the Department was able to continue providing vitally needed services due to the perseverance and resilience of its staff.

The year 2020 will be remembered for the COVID-19 pandemic, but if another impactful event were to stand beside the pandemic in the history books it would be the public outcry and calls for police reform following the George Floyd incident in Minneapolis, MN on May 25th. Fortunately, the majority of protests within the City of Syracuse were peaceful. However, it was abundantly clear that the Syracuse Police Department had many opportunities for improvement.

The Syracuse Police Department is committed to continuous efforts to improve the effectiveness of the department and keeping the people of the City of Syracuse safe. In 2020, in response to community protest and calls for reform, Mayor Ben Walsh issued an executive order mandating key reforms within the Syracuse Police Department. After the executive order, the Department entered into a collaborative process with Mayor Walsh's Administration and key community stakeholders to begin the planning of these targeted police reform efforts.

With the help of the Mayor's Office, members of the community, and public input; we are confident that reform efforts will not only improve the operation of the police department, but will strengthen the relationship between the community and those tasked with keeping the people of Syracuse safe. After reviewing our annual report, I am sure you will fully understand and appreciate the hard work of the men and women of The Syracuse Police Department for their collective effort.

# Evaluation of 2020 Goals and Objectives

## **Continue to build diversity at every level of the Police Department**

In 2020, the Syracuse Police Department partnered with the Collaborative Reform Initiative Technical Assistance Program (CRI-TAC) through the U.S. Department of Justice. CRI-TAC provided technical assistance pertaining to the Department's recruitment, hiring and retention programs. CRI-TAC also provided a full on-site assessment of our current practices. The results of the assessment are expected in 2021.

Additionally, the Syracuse Police Department Recruitment Section created partnerships with the NAACP, La Liga and New American Forum to develop community recruiters. The Department also increased diversity in the Training and Education Division (Sgt. Jason Tom, Lt. Julie Shulsky), and promoted Carlos Romain - who is now in charge of School Information Resource Officers (SIRP) Section - to Sergeant.

## **Continue improving all aspects of the Department's recruitment and hiring processes**

The Department took several steps in 2020 to improve recruitment and hiring processes. Lt. Julie Shulsky and Sgt. Jason Tom attended a Recruitment, Hiring and Retention workshop in Bristol, Rhode Island, the Collaborative Reform Initiative Technical Assistance Program (CRI-TAC) conducted an assessment of the Department's recruitment and hiring, and the Recruitment Section is working with Solon Quinn Studios to update the Department's recruitment materials.

Additionally, the Department has created a more diverse and expansive Recruitment Team, increased advertisement on social media platforms and the Recruitment Team has created partnerships with the NAACP, La Liga and New American Forum to develop community recruiters.

## **Offer more in-service opportunities and train more sworn and non-sworn employees, including at the Executive Level.**

In 2020, all Sworn members were provided with 24 hours of in-service training. The 24 hours included eight hours of executive level training for all commanders in the Department. The Training and Education Division hosted three Community Service Officer academies. Each CSO academy consists of 40 hours of training. Additionally, all members of the department were offered additional virtual trainings through Lexipol.

## **Improve the processes of the Central Records Division**

In 2020, the Central Records Division (Records) implemented a uniform schedule for all employees. All three shifts - providing 24 hours of coverage - now work a 5-2 schedule. Records also hired four new Community Service Officers (CSOs), which cut the Division's overtime costs. Along with the new hires, Records also cross-trained the front desk CSO's for emergency purposes.

Records now has quarterly staff meetings to keep everyone abreast of what's happening on each shift and also to discuss innovative ways to keep Records operating efficiently. Warrants are updated daily, sealing orders have moved from a seven-month backlog to a five-month backlog, and data entry is currently working three days in the building and two days remote which allows them to scan and process efficiently as if they were in the building five days.

# Evaluation of 2020 Goals and Objectives

## Create and build a Cadet and Mentor Program with partnership through Public Service Leadership Academy on the campus of George Fowler High School

The Cadet Program has been designed and is currently awaiting funding for implementation. The primary goal of this program is to increase the diversity of the Syracuse Police Department. Cadets will be paid employees and will receive training and work experience. The training will be focused on ensuring that each Cadet has the best opportunity of becoming a Syracuse Police Officer. The program will include exam preparation, physical fitness training and any additional training necessary to alleviate any hinderances to a successful completion of the hiring process and police academy.

Each Cadet's work experience will include job shadowing, ride alongs, working with the Community Relations Division during public outreach events and any additional work, as assigned, that needs to be accomplished at the Syracuse Police Department. As of this writing, we are awaiting a grant award that will fund up to 10 candidates and a Director to run the program. The Department is also exploring funding the program through the normal operating budget, which allows the Department flexibility in administering the program, as well as the ability to continue the program if the grant is not awarded and/or after the grant period has ended.

## Increase the use of E-Serve and Tele-Serve reporting programs

The Tele-serve and E-serve pilot period ended in the first quarter of 2020. The entire program went live late in the first quarter. Tele-serve and E-Serve were both used heavily during the early months of the COVID-19 pandemic to minimize exposure risk for the public and police officers. There was a 51% increase in the number of reports completed by Tele-serve/E-serve in 2020 compared to 2019.

	2019	2020	Percent Change
E-serve	1,091	840	-23%
Tele-serve	0	809	*
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,091</b>	<b>1,649</b>	<b>51%</b>

## Create Citizen Advisory Councils composed of Community Leaders to meet regularly with Police Administration

A citizen advisory council group was created for each patrol district (North, Southwest and Southeast). Each group met during the first quarter of 2020 where members were provided with an explanation of the council's purpose and were provided with an overview of the Syracuse Police Department.

Since the initial meeting, the Advisory groups have met each quarter using an online meeting platform due to the COVID-19 pandemic. New members have been added to the Advisory Councils throughout the year as necessary.

## Transition the Dog Control Unit from the Parks Department into the structure and Command of the SPD

The City's Dog Control function was officially moved to the Police Department on July 1st, 2020. The City's Corporation Counsel drafted a revised City Ordinance that required Common Council approval for the move to occur. The Syracuse Police Department then created a new section called the Dog Control and Animal Cruelty Section. A new policy for this function was developed in accordance with the Department's Lexipol project.

# Evaluation of 2020 Goals and Objectives

## **Work toward improving the quality of community life within the city by building stronger connections through Neighborhood Watch Groups and Tomorrow's Neighborhoods Today (TNT) Groups**

Over the course of 2020, the District Captains and the Uniform Bureau Deputy Chief worked hard to improve the Police Department's footprint and response to Neighborhood Watch and TNT groups amidst the COVID-19 pandemic and the City's contingency budget cuts. The District Captains provided information on crime and Police Department updates to each group, and Neighborhood and TNT leaders passed constituent complaints back through to the Captains for the Police Department to address. Reports from both groups have been very positive.

## **Improve efforts to investigate property crimes by improving and increasing the collaboration between the Criminal Investigations and Patrol Divisions**

A pilot program was developed whereby Criminal Investigation Detectives and Patrol Officers would work in conjunction to follow up on property crimes, mostly shoplifting, occurring at the Destiny Mall. Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, Destiny was a large contributor to larceny crime in the City. Officers worked directly with the mall and store management to provide loss prevention awareness training and to make arrests of repeat larcenists. In addition, Syracuse police officers were hired at several Destiny store sites to assist in loss prevention. At Victoria's Secret alone officers prevented the theft of thousands of dollars in merchandise.

## **Continue Improving all aspects of the Human Resource Division**

The Human Resources Division (HRD) is now composed of a completely non-sworn staff, with human resource experience, allowing sworn officers to work in other units that require their special expertise and training. Utilizing electronic system management, HRD is improving communication to all personnel in the department. Working with the City Hall Administration to complete the City's goals of progressive automation, the HRD has provided integral information on the project team as upcoming timekeeping and human capital management systems are developed. Once integrated, these systems will take the efficiency and communication of the Human Resources Division to an improved level of professionalism within the Department.

## **Maintain or attain certifications for the Police Department through New York State and the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA)**

In September 2020, the Syracuse Police Department (SPD) officially enrolled in the CALEA Law Enforcement agency accreditation process, the gold standard in law enforcement accreditation. SPD has three years to ensure that the Departmental policies, procedures, and practices are in-line with the nearly 500 CALEA accreditation standards and, once verified by CALEA, the Department will officially be awarded CALEA accreditation.

The Department was scheduled to go through a NYS accreditation audit in the first half of 2020. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic the audit was postponed until January of 2021. The audit results were received in March and showed that the Department was compliant with the NYS accreditation standards audited and therefore maintained NYS accreditation.



# Evaluation of 2020 Goals and Objectives

## **Continue to build out the department's Emergency Management infrastructure and capabilities**

SPD Emergency Management (EM) was successful in expanding its infrastructure and capabilities in 2020 by taking advantage of training opportunities and by collaborating with other departments within the City of Syracuse.

Early on in 2020, members of the EM team began the Federal Emergency Management Agency National Emergency Management Basic Academy (NEMBA) held at the New York State Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services training facility. Unfortunately, the academy was suspended in March of 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. However, members of the EM team were able to attend trainings such as Sports Events Risk Management (FEMA), The Critical Role of Threat Assessments (ASIS) and Recuse Task Force for Incident Commanders (IPSA).

EM was successful in expanding its capabilities and infrastructure through the use of the Incident Command System (ICS). EM and the Syracuse Fire Department (SFD) established a unified command early during the COVID-19 pandemic response. The collaboration between EM and SFD was very effective so EM and SFD expanded the unified command to include members of other City departments. EM has strengthened its relationships with other City departments especially that with SFD.

Additionally, EM was able to successfully reallocate grant money to purchase a gas mask, voice projection box (attaches to a gas mask) and gas filters for every sworn member of the Syracuse Police Department. EM also applied for and was awarded grant money to help better secure the Public Safety Building and purchase equipment to fit test the gas masks that will be deployed to each police officer.

## **Increase the department's clearance rate for Aggravated Assaults**

The Investigations Bureau made several operational adjustments in 2020 to increase the department's clearance rate for aggravated assaults. However, due to a 6% staffing reduction in the Criminal Investigations Division (CID), a 4% staffing reduction department-wide, and a 16% increase in the number of aggravated assaults reported to the Syracuse Police Department (791 in 2019 vs 916 in 2020); the CID clearance rate for aggravated assault-related cases decreased by 1.4% (40% in 2019 vs 38.6% in 2020) while the department-wide clearance rate decreased by 12% (63% in 2019 vs 51% in 2020).

## **Develop an Early Warning System to identify and monitor officers exhibiting patterns of problematic behavior and that need additional training, and/or professional assistance**

The early warning system for Officers in the Department IA Pro software is still being implemented. During the implementation process, the Department has identified potential problems that, if go unaddressed, will have a negative impact on the early warning system's effectiveness. For example, officer's direct supervisors change regularly. If notifications are sent to direct supervisors the likelihood of improper notification increases. However, by sending notification to an officer's Captain the odds of a notification being received by the wrong person are much lower. The next step in the implementation process is determining with the Chief's Office the criteria for the system to automatically generate warning notification to the Captains (i.e. three uses of force and/or four citizen complaints inside of a 6 month period.) Full implementation of the early warning system is expected in 2021.

# Evaluation of 2020 Goals and Objectives

## **Improve citizen complaint processes within the Office of Professional Standards by recording interviews**

In 2020, several changes were implemented in the day-to-day operations of The Office of Professional Standards (OPS). Chief Buckner has mandated that all interviews of parties involved in the cases investigated by OPS are recorded (officers, civilians, witnesses, etc.). Additionally, Lt. Izzo purchased a hand held recorder for each detective Sergeant in the unit to enable the recording of interviews. There was also an audio and video recording system installed in a room exclusively used for interviews within OPS. The ability to record these interviews is one of many steps the department has taken toward building trust in the community and shows the departments continued commitment to maintain transparency to the community.

## **Develop a Gang and Drug-enforcement / Major Case Unit within the department**

In 2020, the Gang Violence Task Force - previously an independent entity in the Syracuse Police Department - was added as a section within the Special Investigations Division. Gang Violence Task Force detectives and Narcotics detectives immediately initiated multiple joint investigations designed to maximize their expertise and focus their resources on the most prolific gang and drug offenders in the City. Two of those investigations, worked jointly with other local, state and federal partners, produced substantial results and have had a profound impact on public safety in Syracuse neighborhoods.

The first of those two investigations spanned many months, and dismantled a drug trafficking organization operating between Puerto Rico, New York City, and Syracuse. Sixteen defendants from Syracuse, Bronx, NY, and Puerto Rico were arrested and charged federally, with conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute cocaine and heroin. As part of the investigation, 4.5 kilograms of cocaine, 1, 140 bags of heroin (approximately 44 grams), \$75,000, a ghost gun, and three handguns - a Taurus PT 809 9mm handgun, a Ruger revolver, a Highpoint .40 caliber handgun, were recovered.

The second of those two investigations also spanned months, and dismantled a drug trafficking organization operating in Syracuse. Eleven defendants from Syracuse and Hazelton, PA were arrested and charged federally with conspiracy to distribute, and possession with intent to distribute, heroin and fentanyl. In addition, two of the 11 defendants were also charged with possessing a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime. As part of the investigation, multiple kilograms of heroin and fentanyl, firearms, vehicles, and thousands of dollars in U.S. currency were seized.

# 2021 Goals and Objectives

The primary goal of the Syracuse Police Department in 2021 is to complete a series of major projects that were started in 2020. The Projects the Department aims to complete or fully implement in 2021 are:

- Patterns and Practices Investigation by the Office of the Attorney General
- ACLU Freedom of Information requests
- Compliance with Mayor Walsh's Executive Order
- Compliance with Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 203
- Overhaul of the Office of Professional Standards and Citizen Review Board process
- Overhaul the Human Resources Division within the Syracuse Police Department
- Stand up a Legal Office within the Syracuse Police Department
- Finish the complete overhaul of the Department's policy manual with Lexipol
- Being the CALEA Accreditation process for the Training Academy and make progress on attaining accreditation for the agency
- Complete the full implementation of the Kronos timekeeping software
- Comply with the new Right to Know legislation
- Implement the findings from the CRI-TAC departmental assessment
- Stand up the Office of Community Engagement
- Complete the audit from the Audit Department

In addition to the projects above, the Department is working on right-sizing the agency. This entails, but is not limited to, reviewing staffing numbers, reviewing and revamping the Department's organization chart and structure, and examining our processes and procedures.

Lastly, the Department is implementing and illuminating the principles of Community Oriented Policing (Partnerships, Prevention, Problem-Solving) in all three bureaus within the Department.

# 2020 Departmental Organizational Chart

The Department maintains an organizational chart that identifies the different components of the organization and establishes the chain of command and clear lines of authority. The four main components of the department are the Chief's Office, the Uniform Bureau, the Investigations Bureau, and the Support Services Bureau.



**Syracuse Police Department**  
Organizational Structure

# The Office of the Chief of Police



**Kenton T. Buckner**  
Chief of Police  
Appointed Dec. 2018

*Chief of Police, Kenton T. Buckner, is the Chief Executive Officer of the Syracuse Police Department and is the final authority in all matters of Department policy, operations, and discipline. The Chief of Police is accountable to the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Syracuse.*

## The Office of the Chief of Police

- Ensures the Department's mission is executed
- Plans, organizes, directs, staffs, coordinates, and controls all Departmental functions
- Develops Strategic goals and objectives
- Empowers and leads Department employees
- Creates a vision for the future state of the Department
- Reports to the Mayor and Common Council

The Office of the Chief of Police is composed of the following areas:

### Office of Legal Affairs

- Assists the Chief and his Command in developing and reviewing policies, practices, and training to ensure all are lawful as written and applied
- Assists Department Chiefs, Commanders, Supervisors, and Members in the review, interpretation, application, and enforcement of local, state, and federal laws
- Assists the Department in its participation in judicial, administrative, and legislative processes, and acting as liaison to the City of Syracuse Office of Corporation Counsel, as well as various local, state, and federal boards, offices, and agencies, regarding Department legal matters.
- Analyzes the Department's vehicle pursuits.



**Joseph L. Cecile**  
First Deputy  
Chief of Police

### Audit and Budget Control Division

- Prepares and manages the Department's budget
- Maintains records concerning the requisition of agency property and expenditures
- Administers employee status, payroll, and program information,
- Conducts cost analyses and maintains Department overtime and financial records.

### Office of Professional Standards

- Facilitates the process of receiving internal and external complaints alleging employee misconduct
- Investigates complaints against members of the Department
- Maintains complaint documentation
- Prepares charges (criminal, civil, and Departmental) when appropriate
- Assists the Department in arbitration.

### Office of Public Relations

- Responsible for acting as the Department liaison to the media
- Coordinates all inquiries from the media
- Prepares news releases issued by the Department
- Manages Department social media accounts
- Acts as a spokesperson when requested or directed

# The Office of the Chief of Police

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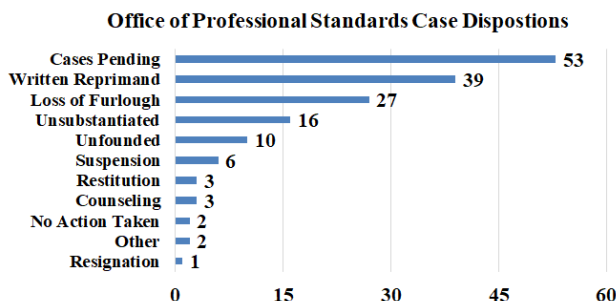
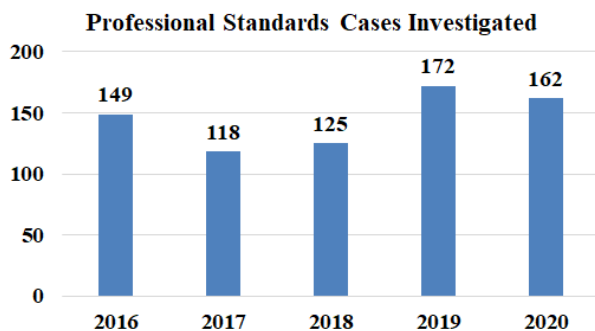
## DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET

The Audit and Budget Control Division prepared the Department's original budget of \$47,936,924 for the fiscal year (July 1 - June 30). However, due to the financial impact from COVID-19 on the City of Syracuse, the Department was forced to adopt a new contingency budget (10% lower) in the first half of the fiscal year.

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## CASES INVESTIGATED

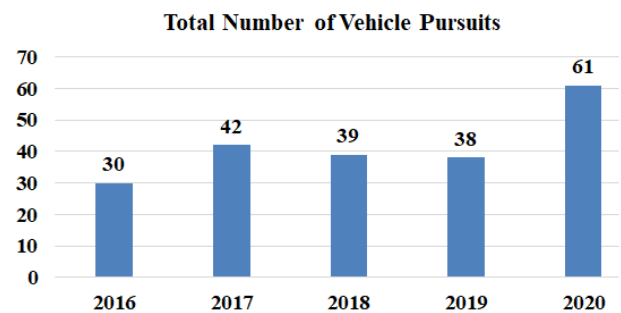
The Office of Professional Standards investigated 162 complaints against members of the Syracuse Police Department in 2020. The 162 cases is the second highest number of cases investigated in the last five years. The only higher year was 2019 with 172.



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## VEHICLE PURSUITS

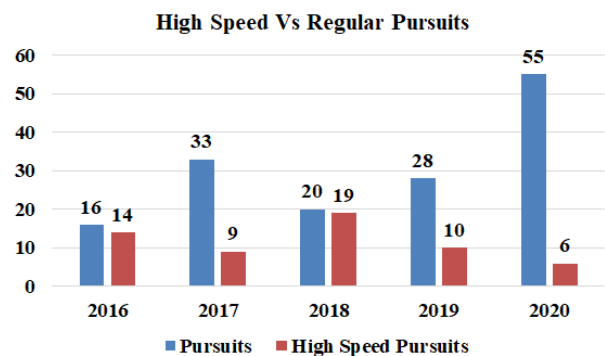
In 2020, the Office of Legal Affairs conducted 61 vehicle pursuit investigations. The 61 pursuits represented a 61% increase in the number of pursuits when compared to 2019 (38 pursuits). Of the 61 pursuits, there were only eight injuries to an officer or suspect.



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## HIGH-SPEED PURSUITS

Despite the significant increase in vehicle pursuits in 2020, only six pursuits - or less than 10% - were high-speed pursuits. The lowest number of high-speed pursuits in the last five years.



# Report on the Uniform Bureau Operations



**Richard H. Trudell**  
Deputy Chief  
Uniform Bureau

The Uniform Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief of Police, Richard H. Trudell, who is responsible for providing direct police services to the public. These services include street patrol, traffic control & enforcement, responding to calls for service and emergencies, and community-oriented policing operations. The Bureau is composed of the Patrol Division and the Patrol Services Division.

## The Patrol Division

- Responds to calls for police services
- Conducts thorough preliminary investigations of all offenses
- Conducts follow-up investigations in cases where responsibility is not yielded to another Division or Section
- Enforces laws and regulations
- Apprehends offenders and recovers stolen property
- Conducts crime prevention and suppression activities
- Maintains close liaison with the community and fosters positive police community relations

The Patrol Division is the largest component of the Uniform Bureau. It consists of the "A", "B" and "C" Watches.

A Watch Activity - 2020	
Felony Arrests	622
Misdemeanor Arrests	1,754
Violation Arrests	860
Appearance Tickets	628
Warrant Arrests	641
Total Arrests	4,505
Traffic Tickets Issued	2,257
Parking Tickets Issued	2,155
Calls for Service	57,095
With Reports	11,689
Without Reports	47,263
Number of Reports	18,710

B Watch Activity - 2020	
Felony Arrests	630
Misdemeanor Arrests	1,564
Violation Arrests	534
Appearance Tickets	529
Warrant Arrests	566
Total Arrests	3,823
Traffic Tickets Issued	621
Parking Tickets Issued	1,947
Calls for Service	50,684
With Reports	11,810
Without Reports	39,055
Number of Reports	19,888

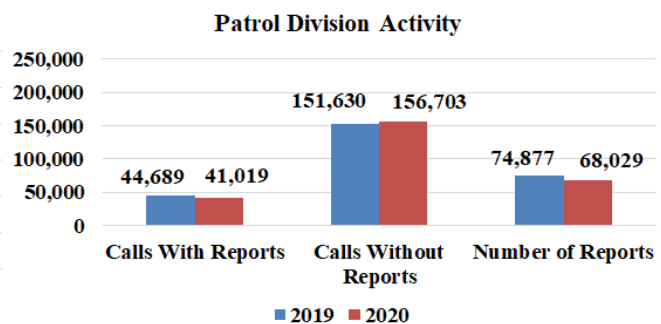
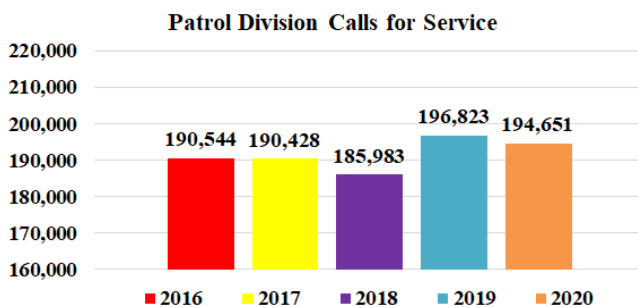
C Watch Activity - 2020	
Felony Arrests	1,131
Misdemeanor Arrests	2,684
Violation Arrests	1,487
Appearance Tickets	1,242
Warrant Arrests	1,038
Total Arrests	7,582
Traffic Tickets Issued	2,757
Parking Tickets Issued	2,425
Calls for Service	86,872
With Reports	17,520
Without Reports	70,385
Number of Reports	29,431

The "A" Watch's hours of duty are 10:00 PM to 7:00 AM, with roll calls at 10:00 PM and 11:00 PM daily.

The "B" Watch's hours of duty are 6:00 AM to 3:00 PM, with roll calls at 6:00 AM and 7:00 AM daily.

The "C" Watch's hours of duty are 2:00 PM to 11:00 PM, with roll calls at 2:00 PM and 3:00 PM daily.

\* It is possible for more than one unit to respond to a call for service. For example, a patrol vehicle and a K9 unit may respond to the same call for service.

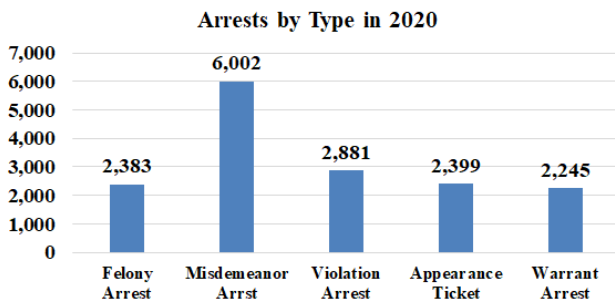
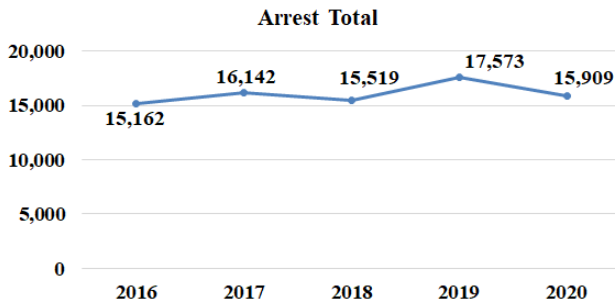


# Report on the Uniform Bureau Operations

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## TOTAL ARRESTS

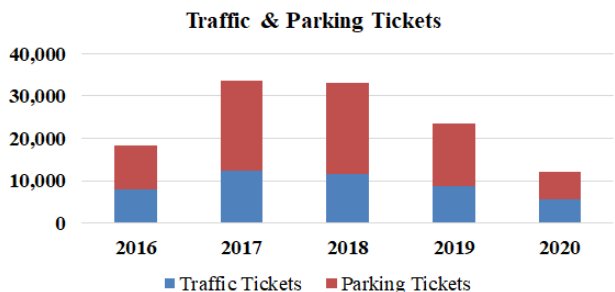
There were 15,909 arrests in 2020 for all categories of arrest (Felony, Misdemeanor, Violation, Warrant, and Appearance Tickets). A 9.4% decrease from 2019.



# 12,162

## PARKING & TRAFFIC TICKETS

In 2020, the Syracuse Police Department issued 5,635 traffic tickets and 6,527 parking tickets. The 12,162 tickets issued was the lowest total in last five years.



The following table depicts the average annual workload per office assigned to the A, B, & C Watches for the categories listed:

Watch	A	B	C
Felony Arrests	11	11	17
Misdemeanor Arrests	30	27	40
Violation Arrests	15	9	22
Appearance Tickets	11	9	19
Warrant Arrests	11	10	16
Traffic Tickets Issued	39	11	41
Parking Tickets Issued	37	33	36
Calls for Service	984	859	1,297
With Reports	202	200	262
Without Reports	814	662	1,051
Number of Reports	322	337	439

## The Patrol Services Division

- Serves as the administrative arm of the Uniform Bureau Deputy Chief.
- Disseminates directives & information
- Obtains equipment necessary for patrol operations
- Analyzes statistical data of patrol activity systems and processes.
- Monitors levels of efficiency and effectiveness.
- Oversee operations of the Airport Section, K-9 Section, SIRP Section and Traffic Section.

## Airport Section

The Airport Section provides police services and security at the Syracuse Hancock International Airport and ensures compliance with, and the enforcement of, Federal Aviation Regulations and standards, and local, state, and federal laws.

# 2,189

## AIRPORT SECURITY CHECKS

The Airport Section conducted 2,189 security area checks in 2020.



# Report on the Uniform Bureau Operations

Airport Section Activity - 2020	
Felony Arrests	1
Misdemeanor Arrests	2
Violation Arrests	4
V&T Stops	4
UTT's	5
Parking Tickets	960
SIDA Checks	2,189
In Flight Emergencies	9

## K9 Section

Composed of seven canine teams. Each team receives special training in building searches, area searches, tracking, obedience, and either narcotics or explosive devices

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## CALLS FOR SERVICE

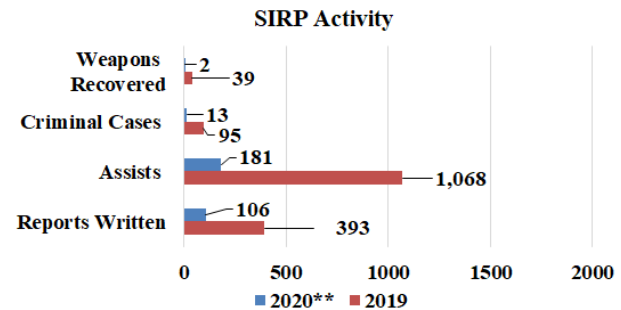
Members of the K9 Section were utilized on 3,672 calls in 2020. The team's primary activities were conducting searches and building perimeter checks.

K9 Section Activities - 2020	
Calls for Service	3,672
Felony Arrests	39
Misdemeanors	29
Violation Arrests	15
Building Searches	182
Explosive Searches	62
K-9 Tracking	25
Open Area Searches	80
Building Perimeter Checks	768
Apprehensions	38
UTT's	36
K-9 Demonstrations	1
Ofc. Protection	59
Drug Searches	6

## SIRP Section

The School Information Resource Section is a group of detectives assigned to the City of Syracuse School District. Detectives are responsible for all police matters within the school. They make class presentations, conduct security checks, and work with various school groups and clubs.

\*\* The COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on the work of the SIRP Section. \*\*



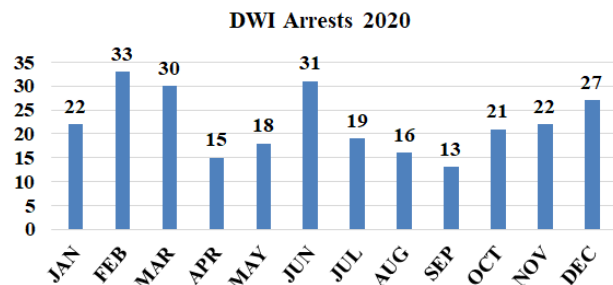
## Traffic Section

A proactive traffic enforcement component of the Department and is responsible for enforcing NYS laws and City of Syracuse ordinances governing vehicles and traffic.

# 2,054

## TRAFFIC & PARKING TICKETS

There were 1,714 Uniform Traffic Tickets and 340 Parking Tickets issued in 2020.



# 10

## FATAL VEHICLE CRASHES

There were 10 people killed in fatal motor vehicle crashes in 2020.

# Report on the Investigations Bureau Operations

The Investigations Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief of Police, Derek P. McGork, who is responsible for overseeing the investigations of crimes committed against persons, property, and serious or unusual incidents after the initial response and investigation by the Patrol Division. The Investigations Bureau also investigates narcotic and vice activity. This Bureau is composed of the following Divisions, Sections, and Units:



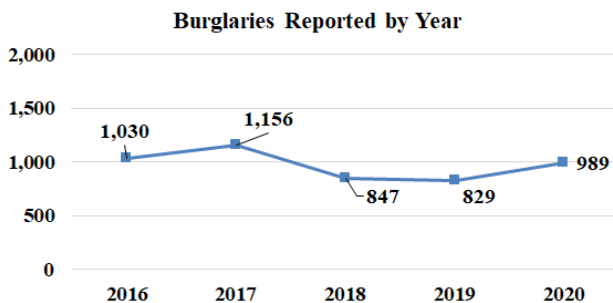
**Derek P. McGork**  
Deputy Chief  
Investigations Bureau

## The Criminal Investigations Division (CID)

The Criminal Investigations Division (CID) conducts follow-up felony investigations initiated by the Patrol Division and, when requested, assists in primary investigations. CID also clears crimes through arrest and recovery of stolen property, executes search and arrest warrants, and apprehends fugitives. As the department liaison with representatives from federal, state, and other municipal agencies, CID exchanges information on known criminals and criminal activity, and coordinates information with prosecuting agencies during investigations for upcoming court cases.

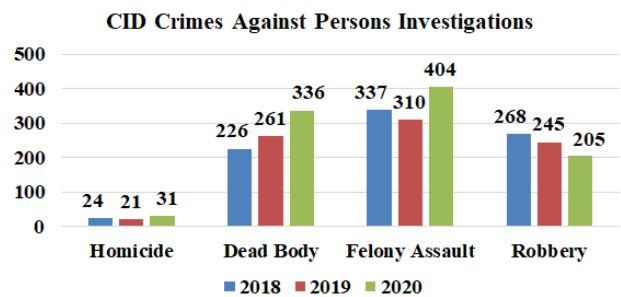
**2,679**  
**FELONY INVESTIGATIONS**

In 2020, CID personnel conducted 2,679 felony investigations. The largest number of investigations were for Burglaries (989).



## Case Investigation Section

Conducts criminal investigations, primarily of felony crimes against persons such as homicide, rape, robbery, assault, and unattended deaths. The Section also investigates criminal acts involving the loss of, or damage to, property such as burglary, arson, and larceny.



## Homicide Section

The component of the CID with dedicated personnel charged with investigating homicides and suspicious deaths that have occurred within the last 5 years.

**31**  
**HOMICIDE INVESTIGATIONS**

There were 31 homicides within the City of Syracuse in 2020. A 48% increase over 2019 and the highest number since 2016 (31). Of the 31 homicides in 2020, 23 were closed by arrest as of the publishing of this report.

Homicide Section	2019	2020
Homicide Investigations	21	31
Closed by Arrest	18	23

# Report on the Investigations Bureau Operations

## Cold Case Section

The Cold Case Section investigates unsolved homicides or prolonged missing person investigations. Detectives maintain the Cold Case Webpage on the Department's website, [www.syracusepolice.org](http://www.syracusepolice.org) that includes case history/photos to reach a wider audience and help cultivate case tips.

**82 → 104**

### DEPARTMENT COLD CASES

In 2020, the number of cold cases in the department increased from 82 to 104.

Case Type	2019	2020
Current Cold Cases	82	104
Homicide	71	82
Missing Persons	9	16
Suspicious D.O.A	1	5
Fatal Fire	1	1

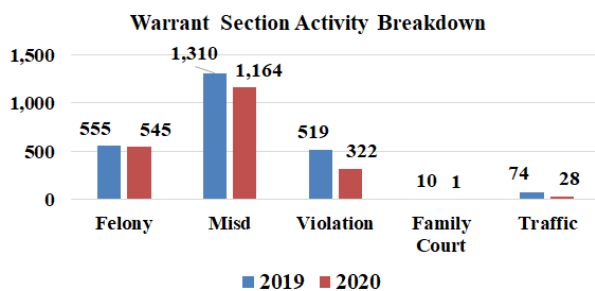
## Warrant Section

Responsible for the execution of outstanding misdemeanor and felony arrest warrants. The Section develops information on the whereabouts of suspects and coordinates investigations with other law enforcement agencies in order to apprehend fugitives.

**2,060**

### WARRANT CHARGES

There was a 17% decrease in the number of warrant charges executed by the Warrant Section in 2020. The decline was largely made up of lower Misdemeanor and Violation warrants.



**5,329**

## CASES PHOTOGRAPHED

The Crime Scene Unit was responsible for photographing 5,329 cases in 2020. Evidence Technicians produced almost 265,000 crime scene photographs.

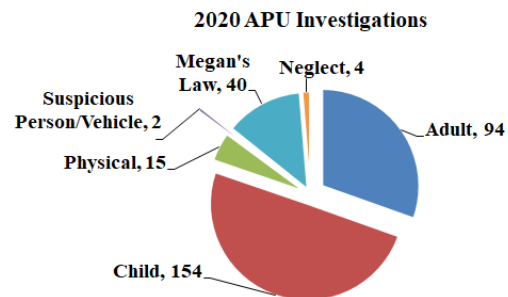
Crime Scene Unit	2020
Homicides	31
Homicide/Suicides	2
Officer Involved Shootings	3
Assaults	6
Infant Deaths	0
Suspicious Deaths/Incidents	1
Cell phones processed	0
Vehicles Processed	126
Crime Scene Sketches	36
ET Cases Photographed	5,329
ET photographs	236,384
CSU photographs	28,554
Fatal Fires	3

## Family Services Section

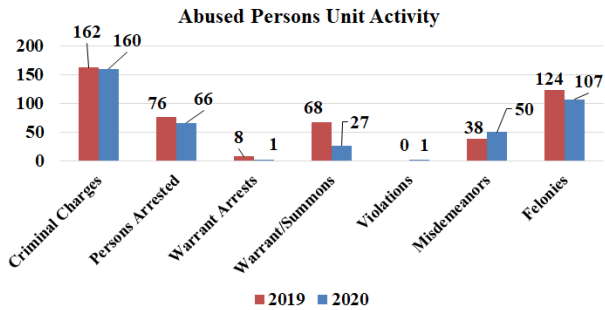
The Family Services Section initiates and conducts follow-up investigations regarding youth and family related matters, and oversees operation of the Abused Persons, Missing Persons, and Youth Enforcement Units.

### Abused Persons Unit (APU)

Responsible for investigating sex offenses, including child pornography, all felony physical child abuse and neglect incidents, and identifying and apprehending offenders. The Unit works closely with Onondaga Child Protective Services, The Rape Crisis Center, Department of Probation, and New York State Parole.



# Report on the Investigations Bureau Operations



Sex Offenders	2020
Level 1	183
Level 2	281
Level 3	225
Pending Assignment	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>695</b>

## 280

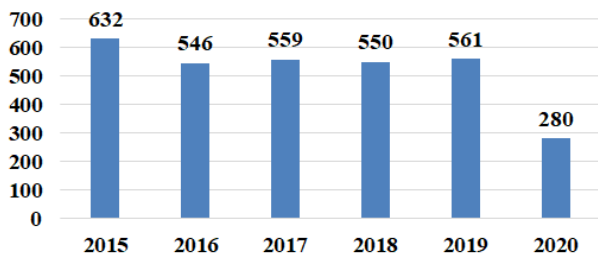
### MISSING PERSONS INVESTIGATIONS

The Missing Persons Unit investigated 280 instances of missing persons in 2020.

#### Missing Persons Unit

Responsible for conducting investigations of missing persons

Missing Persons Investigations by Year



#### Youth Enforcement Unit

Primarily responsible for investigations of crimes perpetrated by juveniles. The Unit is responsible for diverting offenders by making referrals to appropriate agencies, and acting as a liaison with other youth service providers and agencies concerned with the problems and needs of youth. The Unit maintains juvenile records and reports, and coordinates juvenile operations with other Divisions within the

Department. Additionally, the Unit assists other Units with Family Court, Social Services referrals, and crime prevention.

Youth Enforcement Section Activity	2020
Cases Sealed by Court Order	198
Juvenile Cases	332

### Special Investigations Division

Conducts investigations into organized crime, narcotics trafficking, and vice-related activity. Additionally, coordinates enforcement efforts, including inter-agency efforts, to combat metropolitan-wide narcotics trafficking.

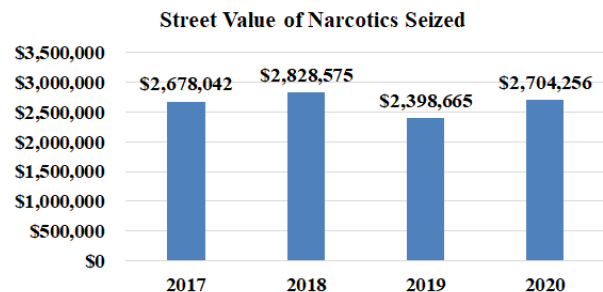
#### Narcotics Section

Responsible for the suppression of narcotics trafficking, from street level to major criminal conspiracy activity. The Narcotics Section maintains and develops narcotics distribution intelligence files, develops informants, executes search warrants, makes arrests, and initiates counteractive measures to combat illegal drug activity.

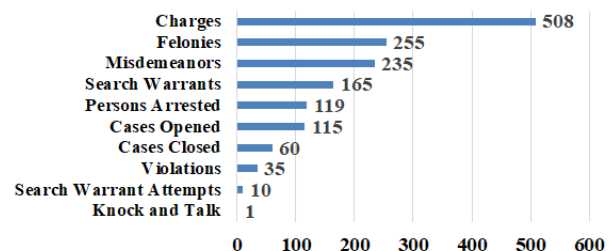
## \$2,704,256

### SEIZED NARCOTICS STREET VALUE

In 2020, the Narcotics Section seized close to over \$2.7 million in illegal drugs including over \$2 million in cocaine.



Narcotics Section Activity 2020



# Report on the Investigations Bureau Operations

## Technical Operations Section

Responsible for the maintenance, operation, and deployment of electronic surveillance equipment. Tech Ops provides technical support to Department Units and tracks narcotics forfeiture cases. The Tech Ops Section identifies and tracks transient narcotics dealers and multi-jurisdictional narcotic organizations operating in our area. Members act as a liaison with other local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies. Additionally, Tech Ops provides escort operations for resident and visiting dignitaries.

# 111

## FORFEITURE CASES

In 2020, the Technical Operations Section took part in 111 State and Federal seizure cases.

Technical Operations	2020
Pole Camera Installation	80
GPS Tracking	20
Search Warrant Photo CD's	79

Forfeiture Operations	2020
State Currency & Vehicle Cases	75
State Cash Amount	\$175,989
Federal Currency & Vehicle Cases	36
Federal Cash Amount	\$428,502

Protective Escort Operations	2020
Advance Operations	3
Escort Details	3

## Gang Violence Task Force (GVTF)

The Syracuse Gang Violence Task Force (GVTF) is a multi-agency task force that aggressively targets violent gangs and their members. GVTF uses long-term investigations that are prepared and presented to the federal court system for prosecution. The Continuing mission of GVTF is to partner with federal, state, and local authorities to combat gang crime in the City of Syracuse.

Throughout 2020, GVTF conducted a large-scale investigation into a criminal gang operating within the City of Syracuse.

The gang is responsible for numerous acts of violence within the city and Onondaga County, including shootings resulting in injuries/deaths and other gun-related crime.

GVTF collaborated with multiple agencies during the investigation including the Onondaga County Sheriff's Office, the NYS Police, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Internal Revenue Service, the NYS Attorney General's Office, the Onondaga County District Attorney's Office, and the Offices of the United States Attorneys.

The focus of this investigation was on the structure of the gang along with the criminal activities that coincide, including the trafficking of illegal narcotics. Members of GVTF utilized various investigative tools that led to the recovery of a substantial amount of illegal narcotics and illegal firearms from the streets of Syracuse.

The investigation led to the recovery of 5,860 grams of heroin, 1,411 grams of fentanyl, 44 grams of MDMA, 146 grams of crack cocaine and 103 grams of marijuana. Additionally, the investigation recovered eight illegal handguns and resulted in the seizure of \$262,619 and six vehicles.

## Criminal Intelligence Section

Responsible for collecting, evaluating, analyzing, and disseminating intelligence related to criminal activity, illegal narcotics, gangs, serial crime events, and quality of life problems. The Section identifies crime trends by analyzing factors such as time, method of operation, and hot spot identification. The field intelligence officers gather more in-depth information through street interviews with officers, the public, debriefings of arrested individuals, and criminal informants. The Section provides services to all law enforcement agencies throughout Onondaga and adjacent counties by distributing work products and completing intelligence bulletins.

# Report on the Investigations Bureau Operations

<b>Bulletins Distributed</b>	<b>2020</b>
Officer Safety	152
Wanted For Offense	236
General Police Info	3,330
Investigative Lead Reports	351
<b>Total Bulletins</b>	<b>4,069</b>

<b>Crime Analysis Section</b>	<b>2020</b>
Special Research Projects/Studies	4,370
Inmate Release Notices	388
Anonymous Tips Received	1,285

# Report on the Support Services Bureau Operations

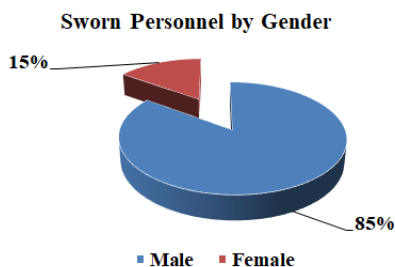
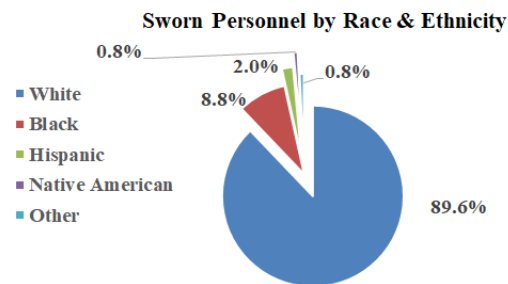
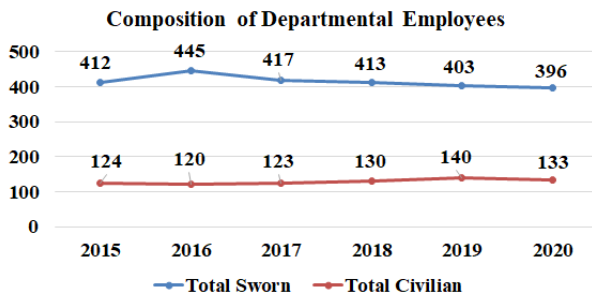
The Support Services Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief of Police, Richard F. Shoff, Jr., who is responsible for coordinating and overseeing the Department's operations and daily administrative functions. The Administration Bureau is comprised of the following Divisions, and Sections:



**Richard F. Shoff Jr.**  
Deputy Chief  
Support Service  
Bureau

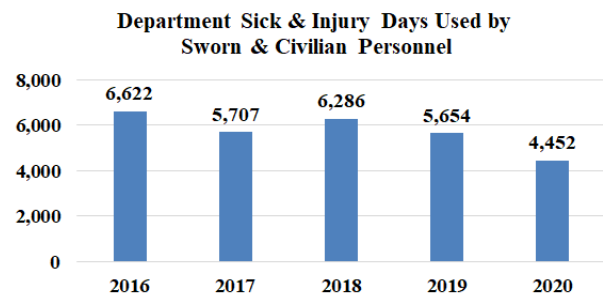
## The Human Resources Division

The Human Resources Division is responsible for the selection of all Department employees, establishing and maintaining procedures that conform to federal and state regulations for hiring, maintaining human resources records and all documentation relating to appointments, transfers, retirements, terminations, secondary employment, and commendations. Additionally, the HR Division maintains and validates employee records of attendance; furlough, military, and administers time accumulated and/or used by all employees, prepares reports for the New York State Police and Firemen's Retirement System, and maintains the Department Roster and Personnel Status Reports.



## Medical Section

The Medical Section maintains and validates employee records of attendance and monitors medical leave procedures. Additionally, the Section maintains personnel records of employees who have been assigned to administrative leave and prepares reports for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.



## Emergency Management Section

Facilitates the strategic application and management of information and resources in the deterrence, detection, prevention, and mitigation of the effects of natural, technological, and man-made hazards that can negatively impact the community; and strengthens the preparedness, timely response, and recovery from any disaster, critical incident, or other emergency.

# Report on the Support Services Bureau Operations

## Special Events Section

Plans and coordinates staffing and traffic control operations for numerous community events conducted in the City of Syracuse.

Special Events Activities	2019	2020
Major Community Events	74	1
Carrier Dome Events	54	24
Dome Attendance	750,042	220,038
Officers Assigned	1026	353
Parade Permits	32	1
Assembly Permits	136	49
Movie Production Permits	2	1

## Training and Education Division

Coordinates and administers Department training programs and the Police Officer Basic Academy, administers training to officers from outside agencies, develops Department training standards and programs, monitors training methods and identifies training needs necessary for adherence to state and federal laws and Department policies, prepares and distributes Training Bulletins, administers the in-service and field training officer programs, physical fitness evaluations, firearms training and qualifications, and Academy programs, and maintains training records and lesson plans.

# 34

### NEW OFFICERS CERTIFIED

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the Training and Education Division trained and certified 34 new police officers for four agencies in 2020.

Training Division Activity	2020
Police Academy Classes	1
Total Officers Certified	34
Outside Agencies Attending	3
Community Service Officers	25

In-Service Training Sessions	2020
Total Officers Trained	348
Outside Agencies Attending	0
Police Officers	272
Topics Instructed (Officer)	8
Supervisors	50
Topics Instructed (Supervisor)	8
Command Officers	26
Topics Instructed (Command)	1
Retraining	55

Certified Course Instruction	2020
NYS BMP OPS	8
Seminars	17
Specialized Training	36
Outside Agencies Attending	2

# 348

### OFFICERS RECEIVING TRAINING

In 2020, 348 Police Officers, Supervisors, or members of the Departments Command staff received in-service training.

## Armament Section

Coordinates Department firearms training and maintains Department weapons, related inventory, and firearms proficiency records for all officers.

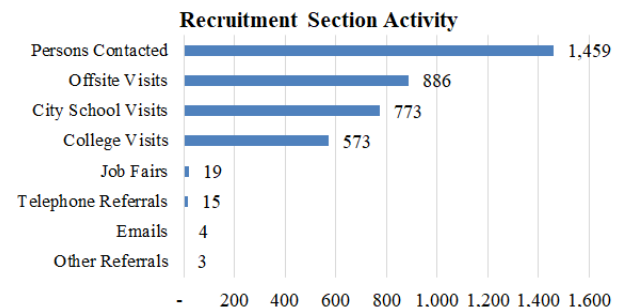
## Recruitment Section

Responsible for recruiting the most qualified applicants available for actual and anticipated vacancies within the Department. Recruitment personnel strive to develop and maintain a racial and ethnic composition within the Department that mirrors the demographic composition of the City of Syracuse.

# 1,459

### POTENTIAL APPLICANTS CONTACTED

In 2020, the Recruitment section contacted 1,459 individuals about joining the Syracuse Police Department.



## Technology and Program Management Division

Develops, publishes and maintains records of all Department rules and regulations



# Report on the Support Services Bureau Operations

and orders, except Personnel orders and Training bulletins, which are maintained by the Human Resources Division and Training and Education Division, respectively. Additionally, the Division conducts research and planning projects as directed by the Chief of Police, develops, manages and provides forms control services, and implements and implements Department computer systems.

## 27,109

### COMPUTER SUPPORT SERVICES

In 2020, the Technology and Program Management Division provided computer support services, including answering helpdesk tickets, to members of the Department on over 27,000 occasions.

Policies & Procedures Management	2020
Temporary Orders	31
Personnel Orders	469
Memo Orders	56
General Orders	22
Departmental Orders Issued	578
Forms Control Management	2020
Forms Created	7
Forms Revised	16
Forms Revised/Created	23
Information Systems & Technology	2020
Computer Systems Support Services	27,109
Hardware Systems Maintained	930
Hardware Purchased	206
Hardware Installed/Implemented	172
Software Systems Maintained	33
Software Purchased	32
Software Installed/Implemented	32

### Central Records Division

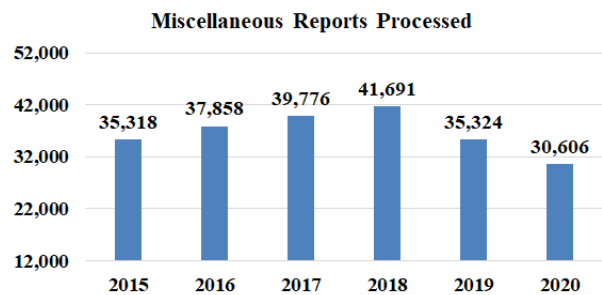
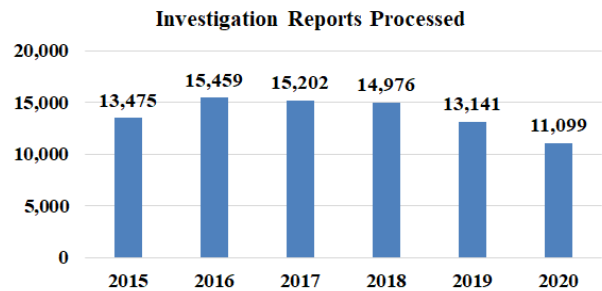
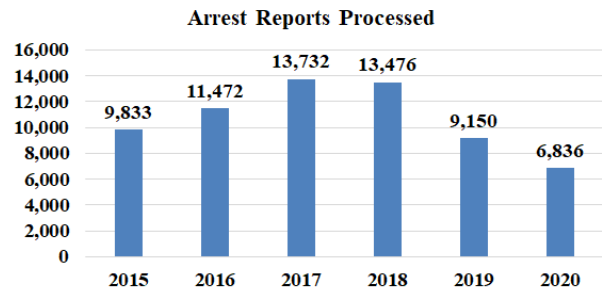
Processes, maintains, and distributes police records like incident and follow-up reports, criminal process documents, and criminal history information. Additionally, processes freedom of information (F.O.I.L) requests and oversees the Department's use of the e-JusticeNY- Integrated Portal Maintains

computer information, indexes, and records, and provides photocopying and mailing services.

## 48,541

### TOTAL REPORTS PROCESSED

In 2020, the Central Records Division processed a total of 48,541 investigation, arrest, and other miscellaneous reports.



### Data Management Section

Inputs Syracuse Police Department information into Central New York Law Enforcement Analysis Database System (CNYLEADS); and the County-Wide Criminal History Information Reporting System and generates Uniform Crime Reports and statistical requests as required.

# Report on the Support Services Bureau Operations

## Ordinance Enforcement and License Section

Inspects, enforces, and processes violations of City licenses and ordinances. Enforcement efforts are coordinated with Department Units, and other City Departments such as Codes, Zoning, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation to eliminate physical decay in neighborhoods and achieve compliance.

Activities	2020
Red Tags Issued	246
Red Tag Vehicle Tows	9
Salvage Certificates	75
Abandoned vehicle complaints	49

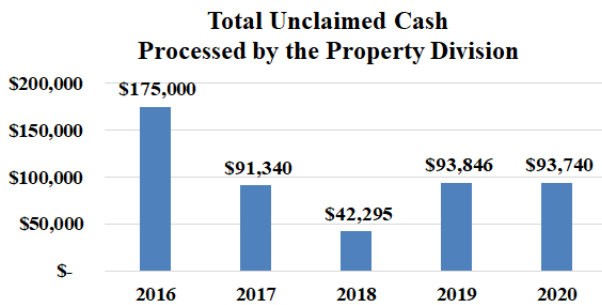
# 18,373

## PROPERTY ITEMS PROCESSED

In 2020, the Property Division processed 18,373 items. Additionally, the Division processed 678 guns and 1,824 drug items.

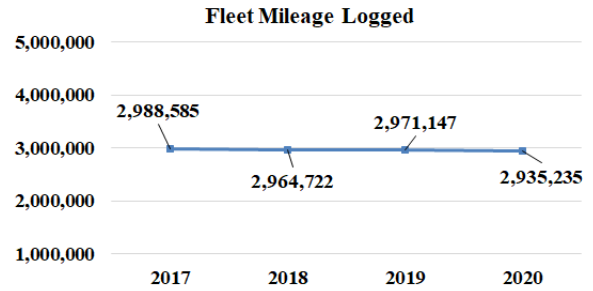
### Property Division

Responsible for the custody and disposal of physical evidence, found or recovered property, & property held for safekeeping. Additionally, maintains the departments inventory records, orders and stores supplies, and prints department forms.



## Transportation Division

Maintains all Department vehicles and prepares vehicles for auction, prepares specifications for the purchase of new vehicles and completes vehicle repair work and maintenance on fleet vehicles.



# 1,664

## REPAIR ORDERS COMPLETED

The Transportation Division completed 1,664 repair orders on Department vehicles in 2020.

Transportation Division Activities	2020
Vehicles In Service	340
Out of Service	25
New Purchase	32
Auctioned	16
Auction Revenue	\$44,625.00
Gasoline Dispensed (gal.)	280,133
Diesel Dispensed (gal.)	435
Total Fuel Cost	\$825,521.00
Fleet miles per gallon	10.4
Repair Orders Completed	1,664
Preventative Maintenance	863
Fleet mileage logged	2,935,235

## Accreditation and Innovation Division

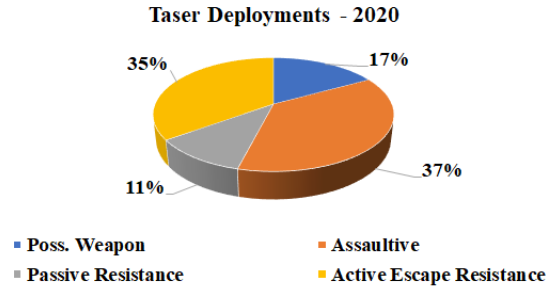
The Accreditation and Innovation Division is responsible for ensuring Department compliance with NYS Accreditation program standards, identifying and implementing process improvement efforts Department-wide, and preparing and publishing the Department's annual report. Additionally, the Division is leading the Department's efforts to obtain accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA).

Accreditation and Innovation Activities	2020
Verification of NYS Standards	110

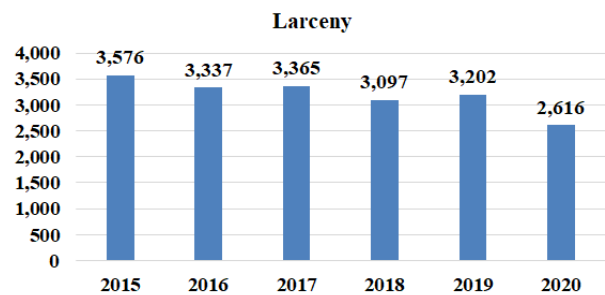
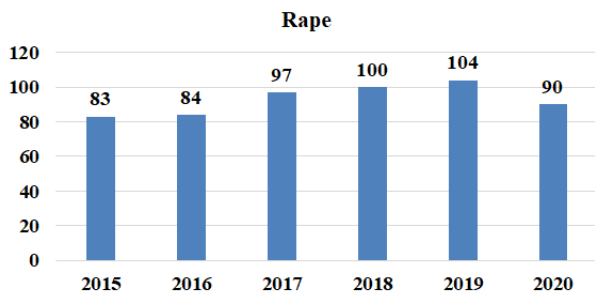
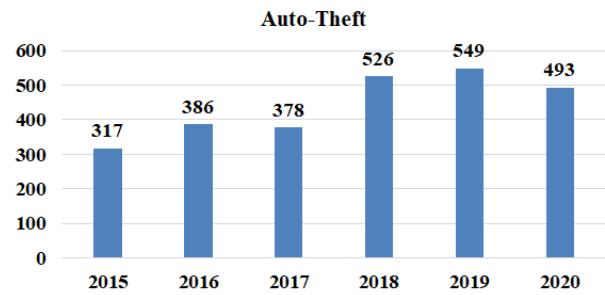
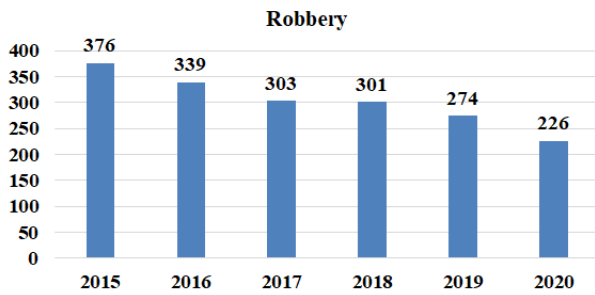
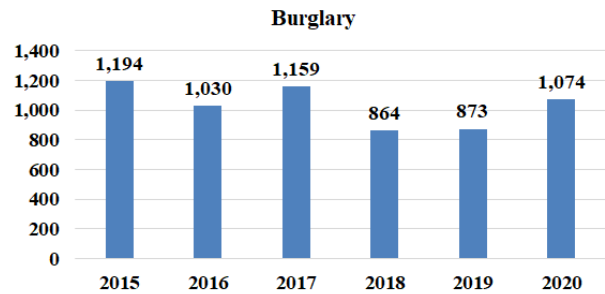
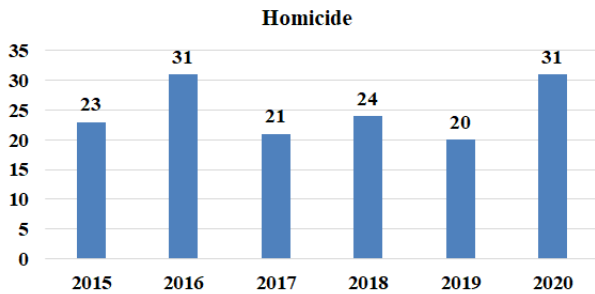
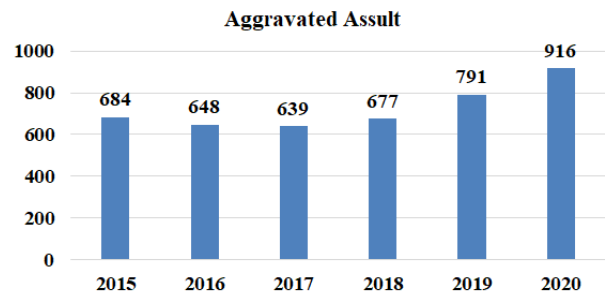
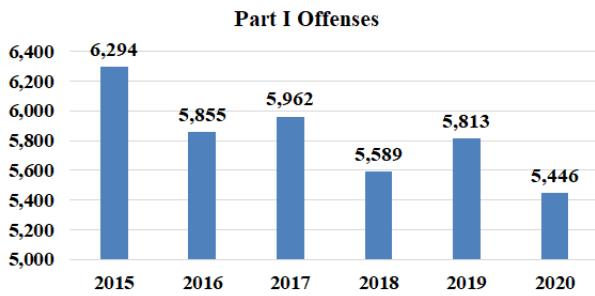
# Department Taser Review

In 2020, there were 35 total incidents involving the use of a Department-issued taser.

- 71% of incidents gained compliance with a laser display only.
- 78% of incidents where a taser was used were felony or misdemeanor incidents.
- 37% of incidents where a Taser was utilized were a result of the suspect being Assaultive/High Risk: agitated combative state, physically assaultive actions and/or exhibiting behavior that poses serious injury to another (e.g. punching, kicking, clenching of fists, etc.)
- 35% of incidents where a Taser was utilized were a result of the suspect being Active/Escape Resistant: actions such as pushing, pulling, evasive arm movement, flailing, flight, muscle tension, etc. to avoid control. This does not include attempts to harm the officer.
- 11% of incidents where a Taser was utilized (Laser Display Only) were the result of the suspect being Passive Resistant: actions of non-compliance to Officers lawful verbal direction.
- 17% of incidents involved a weapon or threatened the use of a weapon against oneself or police.



# Statistical Review - Uniform Crime Reporting Part 1 Offenses



Part 1 Offense figures are as of February 16, 2021. These figures are based on offenses reported to SPD and are retrieved from the department's Records Management System. The figures include some offenses that may be reclassified after further investigation.

# Awards, Promotions, and Retirements

## 2020 Departmental Awards

(Awarded for actions during calendar year 2019)

### Francis Hendricks Medal for Bravery

Police Officer Matthew Tynan

### John C. Dillon Award

Lieutenant Daniel Belgrader

### Jerome P. Slater Medal for Bravery

Detective Andrew Murphy

Detective Christopher Updike

### Chief's Achievement Medal

Detective Jacob Breen

### Mayor's Achievement Medal

Police Officer Brandon Hanks

### Wallie Howard Jr. Medal

Detective Jerry Mosqueda

### Captain Richard Walsh Award

Detective Steve Kilburn

### Timothy Laun Award

Deputy Chief Richard Trudell

### Distinguished Service Award

Police Officer David Crow

### PBA President's Medal

Police Officer Gregory DiPuccio

### PBA Valor Medal

Police Officer James Hiltbrand

Sergeant Patrick Moore

### PBA Merit Award

Police Officer Brandon Pylinski

Police Officer Leonard Brown

Police Officer Joel Dorchester

Detective Andrew Quinn

### Prestigious Service Medal

Detective Andrew Rawson

Detective Timothy Martins

### SPD Life Saving Award

Police Officer Matthew Hockwater

Police Officer Andrew Lopresti

Detective Scott Clarke

Police Officer Ryan Linnertz

Police Officer Joseph Hilliker

Sergeant Brent Potts

Lieutenant Donald Patti

### Officer of the Year A Watch

Police Officer Tyler Goode

### Officer of the Year B Watch

Police Officer Patricia Sargeant

### Officer of the Year C Watch

Police Officer Matthew Tynan

Police Officer Gregory DiPuccio

## Officer of the Month Recipients 2020

### January

A Watch - R. Keefe

B Watch - K. Froio

C Watch - A. Cecile

### February

A Watch - I. Reynolds

B Watch - J. Giarrusso

C Watch - K. Kimpel

### March

A Watch - D. Pietricola

B Watch - P. Otis

C Watch - W. Brainerd

### April

A Watch - R. McGovern

B Watch - J. Caceres

C Watch - A. Bredis

### May

A Watch - H. Roebuck

B Watch - P. Sargeant

C Watch - D. Ettinger

### June

A Watch - A. Sticca

B Watch - E. Quinones

C Watch - N. Krause

### July

A Watch - A. Wolf

B Watch - J. Fleming

C Watch - J. Nowodworski

### August

A Watch - C. Buske

B Watch - D. Crow

C Watch - J. Tolone

### September

A Watch - K. Sheehan

B Watch - C. Gaj

C Watch - B. Pylinski

### October

A Watch - A. Clark

B Watch - D. Medlock

C Watch - J. Blazey

### November

A Watch - J. Murray

B Watch - D. Shipe

C Watch - J. Senf

C Watch - S. Shanley

### December

A Watch - M. DeBottis Jr.

B Watch - J. Moran

C Watch - G. Prudhomme

# Awards, Promotions, and Retirements

## Promotions 2020

### **To the Rank of Sergeant**

Police Officer Daniel Walsh  
Police Officer JM Giarrusso  
Police Officer Joseph Commisso  
Police Officer Taras Senenko  
Police Officer Brett Leonard  
Police Officer Carlos Romain  
Police Officer Patrick Moore  
Police Officer Dallas Pelz  
Police Officer Jason Springer  
Police Officer Matt Liadka  
Police Officer Seth Baker

### **To the Rank of Lieutenant**

Sergeant David Hart  
Sergeant David Metz  
Sergeant Donald Patti  
Sergeant Steve Abbott  
Sergeant Patrick VanSlyke

### **To the Rank of Captain**

Lieutenant Michael Yarema

## Retirements and Dates of Service

### **Police Officer Thomas Nicolini**

*July 23, 1999 - January 17, 2020*

### **Police Officer Thomas Glauberman**

*September 6, 1996 - January 30, 2020*

### **Police Officer Scott Carns**

*June 13, 2004 - January 31, 2020*

### **Sergeant Richard Smith**

*September 29, 1994 - March 21, 2020*

### **Police Officer Bruce Terry**

*August 25, 1989 - March 31, 2020*

### **Captain John Brennan**

*October 8, 1969 - April 15, 2020*

### **Police Officer William Schroeder**

*April 15, 1994 - April 29, 2020*

### **Sergeant Rick Raymond**

*February 22, 2010 - April 30, 2020*

### **Sergeant James Renna**

*April 15, 1994 - May 30, 2020*

### **Lieutenant John Fay**

*April 15, 1994 - June 30, 2020*

### **Lieutenant Russell Gates**

*April 16, 1990 - June 30, 2020*

### **Sergeant Michael Musengo**

*November 24, 1992 - June 30, 2020*

### **Police Officer Jacquelyn Olson**

*July 23, 1999 - July 23, 2020*

### **Police Officer Jimmie Johnson**

*July 23, 1999 - July 27, 2020*

### **Police Officer John Kaufman**

*September 23, 1988 - July 31, 2020*

### **Sergeant David Proud**

*March 31, 1989 - July 31, 2020*

### **Sergeant Joseph White**

*July 23, 1999 - July 31, 2020*

### **Police Officer Michael Boni**

*August 25, 1989 - August 3, 2020*

### **Sergeant William Galvin**

*February 13, 1985 - August 29, 2020*

### **Sergeant James Liberatore**

*September 6, 1988 - September 10, 2020*

### **Police Officer Charlie Fassinger**

*December 1, 2008 - September 11, 2020*

### **Police Officer Timothy MacDerment**

*June 13, 2004 - September 30, 2020*

### **Sergeant Kimberly Calverase**

*November 14, 1997 - October 22, 2020*

### **Police Officer Jeffrey Goodrow**

*November 14, 1997 - November 30, 2020*

## Deaths of Sworn and Retired Members 2020 and Years Served

### **Thomas Seals**

*Passed March 12, 2020*

*Served July 13, 1966 - July 13, 1996*

### **Raymond Huff**

*Passed March 26, 2020*

*Served September 1, 1978 - December 20, 1991*

### **Richard Gervais**

*Passed April 15, 2020*

*Served March 15, 1957 - November 25, 1977*

### **Lawrence Sequin**

*Passed May 14, 2020*

*Served August 10, 1964 - March 1, 1985*

### **William LaShomb**

*Passed October 11, 2020*

*Served May 16, 2008 - October 11, 2020*

### **John Bozzuto**

*Passed December 11, 2020*

*Served May 15, 1975 - January 1, 1989*

### **Henry Abbott**

*Passed December 19, 2020*

*Served July 15, 1957 - March 28, 1978*

# Community Events

## Mr. H.R. Clothing Store 1st Annual Halloween Basket Give Away

The Holifield family and volunteers prepared over 400 Halloween baskets that were handed out to the children in the community on Saturday, October 31st.



## Water Balloon Toss

New event – Build positive relations with residents who reside near the Wilson Park/Gauge Court area. The Community + Syracuse Police + balloon battle was a success! These kids may have won this time, but we will bring reinforcements next time!



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## ED23 Hoops & SPD Back To School Basketball Clinic – (Kirk Park)

An SU alumni - Eric Devendorf offered a free basketball clinic to 75 lucky Syracuse children. The children who were selected received basketball lessons taught by SU alumni & SPD officers. Each child received an SU basketball, bag with a new pair of sneakers, shirt, socks, towel and food. The children also got hair cuts if they were interested in getting an edge up free of charge.



## The C.N.Y. Bicycle Giveaway

The CNY Bicycle Giveaway receives donations (old/new bicycles, stores etc.) so the bicycles can be restored and given to families who need a bicycle. The Community Relations section worked with Jan Maloff (Created the CNY Bicycle Program) on 2 separate occasions during the COVID-19 pandemic. Both events were a huge success.





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## Skippy's Ice Cream Truck

The Community Relations section visited different sections within the city (Gauge Court, Butternut Street, Salina Street/Wood Ave, Wilson park, 1800 E. Fayette Street etc.) to build positive relationships with the citizens in which we serve. The above listed areas were challenging at times due the George Floyd Protest and an officer involved shooting that occurred on Wood Ave. The event brought the community together in a positive way which out shined the negative events.

