



2021 Annual Report



MARION
Police Department



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CHIEF'S REPORT TO MAYOR

Mayor Schertzer,

2021 was an historic year that presented many challenges to the Marion Police Department. There were a lot of successes at the Marion Police Department as well. Our top line success story comes from our annual community survey, which tells us that 71.3% of our community are satisfied to a good or great extent considering the overall performance of the Marion Police Department.

A global pandemic raged on throughout the world, including here in our community and in our police department. While we had no significant illness amongst our workforce, we did have numerous officers and employees who had COVID-19. We continued to build on the lessons learned from 2020 in dealing with this virus and still being able to deliver exceptional services.



Chief Jay McDonald

The staffing at the Marion Police Department was the most significant hurdle our agency encountered. We were fortunate to receive a grant to hire three police officers and we also had to replace Major Jeff Clewell and Detective Dave Troutman, who each retired and Detective Sam Walter who left MPD for a federal law enforcement agency. From September of 2020 through the end of 2021, the Marion Police Department hired 14 new officers. Five of those officers left the agency, four of them spent the year in the academy and are just graduating in January of 2022, four completed their training and are on the streets and one is still in his field training program and at the beginning of his career.

These staffing challenges caused an unprecedented level of overtime to be used by the Marion Police Department, much of it mandated, to ensure that minimum staffing levels on the street were maintained. To help address the staffing shortages, we were forced to move officers from outside of Operations into patrol duties to cover shifts. We still are worried about the excessive levels of overtime for 2022 but are hopeful that new officers coming out of the academy will help with this issue.

Fatal drug overdoses continue to be a major issue for our community. At the time of this report being written, Marion County has 34 confirmed fatal drug overdoses. That is below the 42 we had in 2020 but numerous autopsies are still pending and it is likely that our numbers will be around the same as 2020, which was an all-time high. We are working in partnership with MARMET, the Marion County Prosecutor, drug addiction service providers and Marion General Hospital on ways to reduce this tragic number for our community.

The Marion Police Department continued its department wide focus on our commitment to make an MPACT in our community in 2021. MPACT is an acronym for "Marion Police and Community Together" and it is not just a slogan, it is strategy for continuing to drive down crime rates and building upon our positive relationship with the community.



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We completed three TAPS (Teens and Police Service) Academies with at-risk teens at Grant Middle School. Our goal is to build relationships with these teens and provide mentorship to kids who may be at risk of falling through the cracks.

A #BooksAndBadges program was started, after a partnership with the Starfish Assignment was established. Uniformed officers read books to elementary school students and then those books are provided to every child in that classroom. This is a great way to help build relationships and to stress the importance of literacy in our community.

In response to community complaints, we purchased another speed monitor to give us another tool to address speeding complaints from community members. We also worked with Marion City Councilman Kai Meade and Mayor Schertzer to fund a traffic overtime program that will begin in 2022 to help address community concerns and make Marion safer.

We expanded the use of body cameras to include SRO's, SRT and investigations. We also upgraded some of our body cameras. We will need to make an investment into upgrading the rest of our body cameras in the near future but this tool is important for our officers and worth the cost. We added in-car cameras to all newly purchased cruisers, including three bought and received in 2021. This product helps gather evidence and information for use in criminal and administrative instances.

MARMET continues to be a leader in drug enforcement in Ohio. We were chosen by the Ohio Attorney General to host a new machine that allows us to test drugs locally using a MX908 mass spectrometry device. This machine will enable MPD and our regional law enforcement partners to turn around evidence in a much faster time frame.

We have continued to build upon our partnerships with the Marion County Sheriff's Office. We are in the process of merging our SRT teams into one county-wide team. We are doing the same with our Crisis Negotiators as well. We have entered into an agreement with Tri-Rivers and the Marion County Sheriff's Office to purchase a use of force simulator to provide cutting edge training to all our officers. This should be up and running in the spring of 2022. Lastly, deputies with the Sheriff's Office have begun to participate in some of our events to help them broaden their efforts to reach out to the community and help us make an even bigger MPACT.

The Marion Police Department undertook efforts to increase communication and to receive feedback from all levels of the agency. We did a departmental survey and end of the year interviews with all employees to give and receive feedback on how best to improve our workplace. All supervisors and field training officers took a series of classes aimed at improving our leadership skills. This increased dedication to open the flow of communication and exchange ideas will undoubtedly lead to a more effective workplace.

Officer Corey Galyk was selected by his peers to be the 2021 Officer of the Year. Lt. Mike Shade was named the very first ever Supervisor of the Year and Det. Colin Lowe was the Marion Police Department nominee to be the City of Marion employee of the year. All three of these officers are outstanding repre-



CHIEF'S REPORT

representatives of this department and provided exemplary service to the community. There were many other employees who deserved recognition in this or similar manners throughout 2021, which makes the selections of these three officers for their honors all the more impressive.

All of the above listed highlights for 2021 are done with an eye on better protecting and serving our community. We have continued to do that very effectively, thanks to the hard work and skills of the members of the Marion Police Department. Our crime numbers continue to decline in most categories. We have seen reduction of 80% decrease in Aggravated Burglaries and Burglaries from 2015 to 2021. We have seen an 85% reduction in breaking and entering reports in the same time frame. Thefts have gone down 49% over that period as well.

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Agg. Murder / Murder	1	1	1	4	3	2	3	2
Agg. Assault / Felonious Assault	35	46	34	29	31	35	32	27
Assault	207	255	268	177	190	169	115	126
Domestic Violence	253	314	329	319	309	293	325	358
Agg. Burglary / Burglary	387	464	343	208	179	164	97	93
Breaking and Entering	253	325	177	128	103	101	64	50
Agg. Robbery / Robbery	40	44	38	34	27	29	11	23
Theft	842	957	775	648	600	630	501	486
Rape	29	50	24	36	10	35	33	27

We are very appreciative of the support we receive from Mayor Scott Schertzer, Safety Director Randy Caryer, City Council members and, most of all, the Marion community

I am proud to be a member of the Marion Police Department TEAM. I am proud of the men and women who protect and serve this community. They do a fantastic job and it is an absolute honor to lead them.

Jay McDonald
Chief of the Marion Police Department



ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Chief of Police
Chief Jay McDonald

Operations Division
Major BJ Gruber

1st Shift

Lt. Mike Radcliff #7
Lt. Mike Shade #11
Lt. Josh Harris #19
Ofc. Casey Thomas #31
Ofc. Nick Esterline #38
Ofc. Rob Gery #41
Ofc. Mike Diem #43
Ofc. Montel Smith #62
Ofc. Mason Bischoff #65
Ofc. Faith Combs #66
Ofc. Gavinn Scheff #77
Ryan Beveridge #80

2nd Shift

Lt. Eric Marsh #15
Lt. Rob Musser #18
Lt. Jared Robinson #48
Ofc. Dana Jagger #52
Ofc. Chris Coburn #55
Ofc. Dylan Reese #56
Ofc. Justin May #60
Ofc. C.J. Flach #68
Ofc. Dena Benroth #70
Ofc. Caleb Rector #74
Ofc. Corey Galyk #75
Ofc. Ryan Kelly #76

3rd Shift

Lt. Mark Elliott #17 & Lt. K9 Six
Lt. Richard Wheeler #49 & K9 Joker
Lt. Mike Kindell #46
Ofc. Andy Isom #27
Ofc. Dan Ice #29
Ofc. Bret Thomas #45
Ofc. Matt Cochell #63
Ofc. Dylan Kelley #69
Ofc. Sebastian Walker #71
Ofc. Nick Geurkink #72
Hannah Greer #78

Investigations Division
Major Chris Adkins

Detective Bureau

Lt. Jim Fitsko #13
Det. Scott Sterling #25
Det. Erica Delp #61
Ofc. Katie Barber #73

MARMET

Lt. Jamie Ralston #16
Det. Matt Creps #35
Det. Matt Baldrige #40
Det. Colin Lowe #59 & K9 Stash

Operations Division

MPACT - SROs

Ofc. Dave Dunaway #30
Ofc. Shane Gabriel #32
Ofc. Todd Monnette #37
Ofc. Joe McDonald #50

Administration Division

Reserve Officers

Randy Caryer
Tim Rowe
Norm Ratterman
Schyler Trent
Kirby Brandenburg
Dave Troutman
Jerry Zacharias

Administration Division
Major Jon Shaffer

**MPACT Coordinator/
SRO Supervisor**

Lt. Ed Brown #10

Code Enforcement
Temporarily Vacant

JV MPACT Officer

Lt. Ed Brown #10

Field Training

Brittany Ewalt #84 (LOA)
Katrina Rostorfer #85
Dan Duke #88

Academy

Ofc. Mason Kent #82
Ofc. Kegan Pelphrey #83
Ofc. Michael Starrs #86
Ofc. Matt Mauldin #87

Administrative Assistant

Dustin Evans

Records Clerk

Nicole Trent

Property Caretakers

Amanda Adkins
Nicole Wheeler

Property Manager (Fleet)

Jerry Parker

Security Screener

Temporarily Vacant



STAFFING TABLE

Chief of Police	
<u>Actual</u>	<u>Approved</u>
1	1

Operations Division		
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Approved</u>
Major	1	1
Lieutenants	9	9
Patrol Officers	26	31
School Resource Officers	4	4
Military Leave	0	N/A
Total Sworn	40	45

Investigations Division		
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Approved</u>
Major	1	1
Lieutenants	2	2
Detectives	6	6
Total Sworn	9	9

Administration Division		
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Approved</u>
Major	1	1
MPACT Lieutenant	0	1
JV MPACT Officer	1	1
Code Enforcement Officer	0	1
Field Training	2	N/A
Academy Training	4	N/A
Leave of Absence	1	N/A
Total Sworn	9	4
Records / Secretary	2	2
Property Caretaker	2	2
Property Manager (Vehicles)	1	1
Total Non-Sworn	5	5

Reserve Unit	Total Sworn Reserve	7	N/A
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Actual Sworn	59	Actual Non-Sworn	5
Approved Sworn	59	Approved Non-Sworn	5

Total Actual Personnel	64
Total Approved Personnel	64

*Sworn officers approved at one time was 69 if funding was available. Totals do not count Reserve Officers.



RETIREMENTS IN 2021



Major Jeff Clewell #4

Major Jeff Clewell retired on April 2, 2021 after starting his career in 1993 with MPD. He made his way through the ranks as a Lieutenant and then Major. He retired as the commander of Investigations Division after also serving as the commander for the Operations Division for much of his time as Major.

Major Clewell was the hardest working line officer and was well known for leaving no rock unturned in his efforts to do right by his community. Ever driven to do the right thing, even when it was the hard thing. He was always centered in integrity, fairness and passion for the people he served. Those attributes carried over to his years of service as a supervisor and key member of command staff where he played an instrumental roll in guiding the agency to the level of service and professionalism that we enjoy today.

Well respected by his peers and members of the community alike, Maj. Clewell is the gold standard in community policing and we are all better for his effort and dedication.

Thank you for your years of selfless service in the US Army and for your three decades of impeccable service to the residents of Marion. Congrats, Jeff, and best wishes in retirement!



Det. Dave Troutman #26

Det. Dave Troutman started his career with the Marion Police Department in 1991 and served as a dispatcher and jailer until his appointment to police officer in 1996. He attended the Ohio Highway Patrol Basic Academy in 1996 and graduated in 1997. Det. Troutman spent many of his last years before retirement in the MARMET drug taskforce, working hand-in-hand with federal law enforcement agencies to help put a dent in illegal drug trafficking. With 31 years of combined service to the City of Marion, Dave will leave a significant void in the halls of MPD with his retirement.

Congratulations, Dave. Thank you for your years of dedicated service and we wish you the very best in all your future endeavors!



PROMOTIONS IN 2021



Major BJ Gruber #9



On April 2, 2021, Lt. BJ Gruber was promoted to the rank of Major. Major Gruber began his career serving this community as a dispatcher for the City of Marion then as a Deputy Sheriff with the Marion County Sheriff's Office. He returned to the Marion City Police Department when he was sworn in as a patrol officer on 03/09/98. He was promoted to Lieutenant on 05/06/2003 and has held a variety of positions throughout his career. Most notably, Major Gruber was the driving force behind the department's MPACT program.

Major Gruber was assigned by Chief McDonald as the Operations Commander for the department where he supervises nine Patrol Lieutenants and Lt. Ed Brown who serves as the supervisor for the four School Resource Officers.



Lt. Mike Kindell #46



On April 2, 2021, Officer Mike Kindell was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Prior to being sworn in as a Patrol Officer at MPD on 12/16/2013, Lt. Kindell served our country for years in the United States Air Force. Since joining MPD, he has worked in both the Patrol and Investigations Divisions.

Lt. Kindell was assigned to 3rd shift upon his promotion along side Lt. Mark Elliott and Lt. Richard Wheeler.



SUPERVISOR & OFFICER OF THE YEAR



Lt. Mike Shade #11

This year was the first in which MPD has recognized a “Supervisor of the Year” and Lt. Mike Shade was selected by his peers to receive this honor in 2021.

Numerous MPD Officers provided brief descriptions as to why Lt. Shade received their nomination. Lt. Shade is hard-working and always helpful. He rarely gives you the impression that he’s having a bad day. He is knowledgeable, reliable and brings a sense of calm to any situation he encounters. He is fair in all of his dealings, both inside and outside of the office and is an all around “good guy”.

These fantastic attributes make it clear as to why Lt. Shade received the majority of votes for the inaugural honor of “Supervisor of the Year”. 2021 would be Lt. Shade’s final year with MPD as he officially retired in January of 2022. We thank Mike for being such a fantastic presence at MPD over the last 25 years and we wish him nothing but the best in his next adventure.



Officer Corey Galyk #75

Officer Corey Galyk was selected by his peers as the 2021 Officer of the Year.

Officer Galyk was born and raised in Marion County, graduating from River Valley High School in 2008. He attended the Marion Technical College law enforcement academy in 2011 and also obtained an associate degree.

Officer Galyk came to Marion PD from the Marion County Sheriff’s Office where he first started in 2015. During his time with the Sheriff’s Office, he became certified as a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) as well as a Field Training Officer and served on the drug task-force for about one year. He was promoted to lieutenant at the MCSO in 2017 and became a K9 handler in 2018.

Prior to the Sheriff’s Office, he worked for the Tiffin Police Department for about two years.

Officer Galyk is currently a Field Training Officer at the Marion Police Department and has done an outstanding job in his short time at MPD.



NEW OFFICERS FOR 2021



Officer Hannah Greer #78

Officer Hannah Greer was hired on 1/4/2021 while still in the Columbus State Police Academy. Hannah is a graduate of River Valley High School in 2014 and graduated from Ohio University with a BA in Criminal Justice. Hannah completed the police academy in June of 2021.

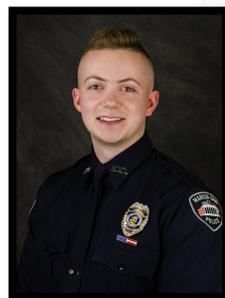
When Hannah finished with field training in October 2021, she was assigned to 3rd shift.



Officer Ryan Beveridge #79

Officer Ryan Beveridge was hired on 3/22/2021. He is a 2011 graduate of Cardington-Lincoln High School in Cardington, Ohio and a 2014 graduate of the police academy at Marion Technical College.

When Ryan finished with field training in September 2021, he was assigned to first shift.



Officer Mason Kent #82

Officer Mason Kent was hired on 5/17/2021. He is a 2018 graduate of Bucyrus High School. Mason is a 2020 graduate of Ohio University with a BA in Sociology-Criminology and is working on a BA in Psychology.

Mason started the police academy in June of 2021 at the Columbus Police Department and graduated on 1/18/2022.



Officer Kegan Pelphrey #83

Officer Kegan Pelphrey was hired on 5/17/2021. He is a 2017 graduate of Lexington High School and a 2021 graduate of Ashland University with a BA in Criminal Justice.

Kegan started the police academy in June of 2021 at the Columbus Police Department and graduated on 1/18/2022.



NEW OFFICERS FOR 2021



Officer Katrina Rostorfer #85

Officer Katrina Rostorfer was hired on 8/22/2021. She is a 2014 graduate of Kenton High School and has an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice and one in Law Enforcement from Marion Technical College as well as a BA in Criminal Justice from Ohio University in 2020. Katrina graduated from the MTC police academy in 2021. Katrina also served as Michael served our country as a 14S AMD Crew-member - Private First Class with the 2-174th ADA Battalion in the Army National Guard.

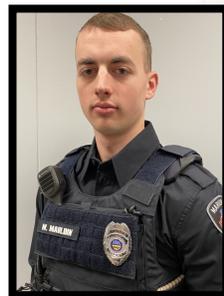
When Katrina completed field training, she was assigned to 3rd shift.



Officer Michael Starrs #86

Officer Michael Starrs was hired on 8/22/2021. He is a 2014 graduate of River Valley High School and served our country as a Machine Gunner/ Sergeant with the 1st BN 6th MAR 2nd MAR DIV in the Marine Corps.

Michael started the police academy 8/23/2021 at the Ohio State Highway Patrol and graduated on 1/18/2022.



Officer Matt Mauldin #87

Officer Matt Mauldin was hired on 8/22/2021. He was home-schooled in Marion and is a 2018 graduate. Prior to joining Marion PD, Matt was a dispatcher with the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

Matt started the police academy 8/23/2021 at the Ohio State Highway Patrol and graduated on 1/18/2022.



Officer Daniel Duke #88

Officer Daniel Duke was hired on 10/13/2021. He is a 2009 graduate of Medina High School in Ohio and earned an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement from Akron University in 2013. Dan graduated from the police academy at Kent State University in 2015.

Dan comes to Marion PD from Carey PD where he was an officer for about 2 1/2 years. He was also an Auxiliary Deputy at the Marion County S.O. and worked locally at the Multi-County Correctional Center for several years.



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The Marion Police Department experienced much change in 2021. At the start of 2021, the Operations Division was comprised of three shifts and staffed by nine Patrol Lieutenants and 25 Uniformed Patrol Officers. Additionally, there were four School Resource Officers assigned to cover the Marion City School District's ten school buildings. 2021 was heavily impacted by staffing challenges and at the start of the year, the 25 patrol officers were six below the approved strength of 31. This had an average impact of two fewer officers per shift, which had an impact on the efficiency of our operations, while also requiring significant overtime to cover staffing shortfalls.

In many ways, the key challenges we experienced in 2021 were carried over from 2020 and could be identified as "Sickness and Staffing" and frequently these two issues were heavily intertwined. Further intensifying those challenges were the significant leadership changes that occurred amid Covid and staffing shortages.

Chief McDonald and Major Chris Adkins (Commander of the Investigations Division) were both promoted on December 28th, 2020 along with Operations Lt. Richard Wheeler. On April 2nd, Major Jeff Clewell (Operations Commander) retired, which resulted in my promotion to fill his vacancy. Additionally, Officer Mike Kindell was promoted to Lieutenant in Operations. To summarize, we started 2021 with a new Chief of Police, two-thirds of the Command Staff were new to their positions, as were two of the nine Patrol Lieutenants. I am blessed to work with such fantastic leaders. If not for the willingness of these supervisors to take on new challenges with support of existing team leadership, our ability to be successful would have been negatively impacted.

While it is difficult to switch up key roles in the midst of such unprecedented change and challenge, all have accepted their role with knowledge of what is at stake and managed to galvanize their skills and energy to take MPD to greater heights. Change is hard, particularly for cops. But, with that change comes new ideas, momentum and opportunity and I am excited to see the great things that this team accomplishes in the months and years ahead.

With each leadership change comes adjustments in how we deliver services to our community and those changes range from small to significant. We rely heavily on our nine Patrol Lieutenants to oversee the operations of their individual shifts and to ensure that our officers are being true to our mission in service to all in our community. Regardless of the organization or industry, it is widely recognized that the front-line supervisor has the most difficult assignment. Our Lieutenants must relay the expectations of the organization while providing support to and supervision of our line officers to ensure the needs of our officers are met, while also maintaining a positive culture, policy compliance and efficiency. Our Lieutenants are well-respected by their officers and do a fantastic job of balancing the weighty expectations that are placed on their shoulders.

Leadership takes on many forms but I am consistently reminded that leadership does not require a



Major BJ Gruber



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rank. Our agency and indeed our community is fortunate to have highly skilled, service driven uniformed Patrol Officers who are truly the key drivers of the positive work that we do to both serve and protect the City of Marion. Patrol Officers are the most visible form of government in our country and our Officers are without question, the “bread and butter” of what we do as a professional Police organization. Our officers may be tasked with handling parking complaints, traffic crashes, calls of domestic violence and play a key role in working a homicide case all in the same shift. We have K-9 Officers, SRT (Special Response Team) Officers, HNT (Hostage Negotiation Team) Officers, CIT (Crisis Intervention Team) Officers, DRE (Drug Recognition Expert) Officers, ARIDE (Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement) Officers, FTO (Field Training Officers). We have officers who are fantastic at investigating and documenting major investigations. We have officers who are driven to work drug interdiction to remove guns and drugs from our streets. Each shares the common goal of working to create deeper and more positive connections with the community we serve. I pray daily for their safety, and I am consistently thankful for the unbelievable work that they do under such incredibly challenging circumstances, extreme weather conditions, long and often unpredictable work schedules and all under the scrutiny of public opinion and immensely high agency expectations.

To the nine Patrol Lieutenants and the now 33 Patrol Officers of the Operations Division, I offer you my sincere appreciation and admiration for all you do each and every day. It is my honor to serve you, support you and share the important work that you do.

I would like to share a quick synopsis of just some of the fine work that was accomplished in 2021 by Patrol Officers in the Operations Division, with the support of the Administrative and Investigative Divisions of MPD. Our officers responded to three homicide calls within a few short weeks at the end of 2020 and the beginning of 2021. These cases are emotionally taxing and require a robust agency response with immense resources.

Homicides have remained consistent over the last seven years with an average of 2.3 per year. Aggravated and felonious assaults have remained consistent over this period while assaults have dropped by half since 2015.

We handled 33 more domestic violence calls in 2021 compared to 2020. We handled 65 more domestic violence calls in 2021 compared to 2019 and there appears to be a direct nexus between this uptick in domestic violence and the COVID pandemic. As more people have been confined to their home and perhaps restrained from their ability to leave due to health or financial constraints, we have seen an unfortunate trend in this destructive category of crime. We continue to work diligently with community partners (our schools, Turning Point, Victim’s Assistance) and others to find progressive solutions to reverse this trend.

Aggravated burglary and burglary numbers for 2021 were approximately 1/5 of what they were in 2015, with a drop of approximately 350 burglaries (or one per day) as compared to 2015.

Breaking and entering crimes (burglaries to commercial or unoccupied structures) are less than 1/6 of what they were in 2015, representing a drop of 275 such crimes from 325 in 2015 to 50 in 2021.

Aggravated robbery and robbery doubled from 2020 to 2021 but were still half of what they were in



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2015.

Thefts have dropped in half since 2015 (957) compared to 2021 (486).

MPD handled six fewer sexual assault investigations in 2021 compared to 2020 and the 2021 number of 27 is also half of what we saw in 2015 (50).

A multitude of factors can impact these numbers. Residents may not have reported crimes in a consistent way over this period. Additionally, we have seen improved economic conditions in our community over this span. What we do know is that the arduous work of our Officers has certainly impacted these positive crime trends through proactive patrol, both preventing and solving crimes in the City of Marion.

In providing the following synopsis of work being done by our officers, it is evident that in spite of the significant reductions in many serious crimes, our officers continue to face dangers every day. Many of the following calls relate to the possession, use or threat of guns. Additionally, many of these calls relate to stolen vehicles. Citing every exceptional case would be particularly challenging given the purpose of an annual report but it is my hope that the following examples will provide a good sampling of the types of calls that our officers handle every day on the streets of Marion.

Sampling of Notable Cases of 2021

1/1/21 Officers respond to report of a reckless driver which results in recovery of a reported stolen vehicle and multiple charges on the driver.

1/11/21 Officers respond to check the welfare of a female and through astute observation and persistent investigation, they arrest the offender, allowing the victim to escape an incredibly dangerous living situation.

1/18/21 Officers respond to a report of shots fired, locating a male victim who had been shot and later died after transport to the hospital. Assisted by MARMET and Investigations, a seventeen-year-old suspect was arrested for murder.

1/21/22 Officers respond to a fatal roll-over crash where the driver of the at-fault vehicle fled on foot. Officers quickly located the at-fault driver and were assisted by OSP and MCFD.

1/24/21 Officers respond to shots fired complaint which results in an hours long standoff and activation of SRT. Assisted by Investigations, MCSO and MFD, SRT would ultimately gain entry and arrest multiple occupants in the home.

1/27/21 Officers respond to shots fired call and charge a subject with pointing and discharging a firearm.

1/28/21 Traffic stop leads to K9 alert and the seizure of a handgun and marijuana. The driver had previous weapons violations.

2/9/21 Officers handled a stolen vehicle early in the shift and later recover the stolen vehicle and arrest the suspect.



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2/11/21 Officers took report of a stolen vehicle and later locate the vehicle and a suspect nearby who was arrested (with the keys in his pocket) and charged.

2/15/21 Officers respond to report of subject looking into windows in residential neighborhood. They locate the suspect who is experiencing a mental health episode. After refusing to cooperate with officers, he is transported to MGH for a psych eval and later transported to the MCCC on a probation violation.

2/18/21 Officers searching for a wanted person find the male subject is unwilling to surrender, using his son as a shield and resulting in a lengthy standoff. As a direct result of the fine work of our officers, the matter was resolved without injury to any of the parties involved and the subject was arrested on multiple additional charges.

2/23/21 Officers respond to a suspicious vehicle call and through investigation, locate a male and a female who are both in possession of handguns and methamphetamine. It was also discovered that the female's four-year-old child had been left in a nearby apartment alone. MARMET assisted with a search warrant and when it was all done, Officers recovered two handguns, \$3,500 in cash and 261 grams of meth. The following day it was found the male provided a false name and was wanted for two federal warrants out of Columbus.

3/8/21 Officers respond to a welfare check. Ultimately, they force entry into the home and find the male resident facing away from them with a knife. The male stabbed himself in their presence. Officers render aid and find the suspect's wife deceased in the home as the result of a gunshot wound. The suspect was flown to Columbus due to the seriousness of the self-inflicted wound and was arrested for the murder of his wife.

3/10/21 Multiple officers respond to a report of a shooting which results in the death of the victim. The subject who admitted to accidentally pulling the trigger was charged with weapons under disability and involuntary manslaughter.

3/13/21 Proactive traffic stop results in the seizure of a firearm and drugs that the suspect attempted to hide upon the approach of the officer who initiated the stop. This resulted in the arrest of a Columbus area suspect with six active warrants and a violent criminal history.

3/15/21 Officers locate a stolen vehicle and arrest the juvenile suspect for stealing his 4th vehicle in an abbreviated period of time.

3/19/21 Officers locate a highly impaired driver with her child in the car. A positive K9 alert resulted in drugs and syringes being located in the car. The driver admitted to snorting Ritalin, meth and using heroin. She was charged with OVI and child endangering and officers were able to place the child into a more safe environment with the aid of CSB.

3/22/21 Officers handle a sexual assault case and after collecting evidence and conducting an extensive interview, a confession is obtained, resulting in significant criminal charges.

3/23/21 After escaping from the jail alternative center, the subject is in custody within 10 minutes



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thanks to two officers who were in the area on an unrelated call, finding him in a nearby apartment complex.

3/27/21 Officers respond to burglary in progress and arrive to locate the suspect on the perimeter of the home. He was arrested and charged with burglary.

3/31/21 Officers handle a significant burglary, developing a suspect and surrounding the suspect's home. The suspect was arrested and nearly all of the \$15,000 in jewelry was recovered. The suspect confessed and was arrested.

4/2/21 Officers locate a previously reported stolen vehicle and through astute observations and great police work, they identify where the suspect is located. With the assistance of MMC probation, the suspected was located and admitted to taking the vehicle.

4/4/21 Officers respond to a call involving a person experiencing a mental health crisis while in possession of a knife and a hatchet and threatening to harm others. Officers did an excellent job bringing this to a peaceful resolution. The subject was transported for a psych eval and later arrested.

4/5/21 Officers handle a breaking and entering complaint and through communication and great collaboration resulting from a found laptop, Officers connect the dots back to the break-in which leads to identifying a suspect and obtaining a confession.

4/8/21 Officers locate a suspicious vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed, matching the description of a previously reported stolen vehicle. Following a pursuit, the vehicle blows a tire and the suspect is arrested for theft of a motor vehicle, OVI, Failure to Comply, Possession of drug instruments and multiple traffic offenses.

4/11/21 Through contact with the driver during a traffic stop, the driver provides a false name and attempts to flee, while reaching into his waistband. Fearing he is attempting to gain access to a weapon, Officers tackle the subject to the ground and find that he is concealing oxycodone pills and syringes in his waistband. He also had two warrants for his arrest and was subsequently taken to jail.

4/15/21 Officers initiate a traffic stop on a vehicle going left of center, nearly striking the Officer head-on. The driver was slow to stop but was later brought back to MPD for OVI testing. He refused to provide a sample and challenged the officers to fight. A search warrant was obtained for a blood draw and the subject was arrested and charged with his 7th OVI offense over the last 20 years.

4/17/21 Officers encounter a highly intoxicated individual outside a local gas station. The subject is confrontational and aggressive with officers who do an excellent job of employing de-escalation techniques. A use of force ensued, and the subject was transported to MGH due to a self-inflicted injury at the jail. Upon being treated, he was returned to MCCC.

4/19/21 Officers handle a stolen vehicle complaint that was later located in Wyandot County with several juveniles and a loaded handgun. MPD Officers assist in the investigation and interviews, obtaining a confession.



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4/25/21 A complex call that begins as a disturbance is found to be the result of a domestic violence call. The female was arrested for felonious assault and DV as she struck the male in the head with a hammer, causing serious injury. The male was arrested for DV and weapons under disability (as he was illegally in possession of a handgun). A third person was found hiding in the involved motel room and was arrested for an FTA warrant.

4/26/21 A traffic stop for speeding results in seizure of nearly 70 grams of marijuana, 14 containers of hash oil, 12 boxes of THC vaping cartridges and drug paraphernalia.

4/28/21 Officers handle a chaotic and tense domestic in a local park where Officers are flagged down after a female reported that she was threatened to be killed by a male who was walking away from the scene. When he failed to comply, he was tackled, which resulted in one of the officers being injured. The male was arrested and was transported to the hospital where he continued to cause problems and attempted to harm himself. He was on federal probation out of Chicago and subsequently arrested.

4/28/21 Officers respond to suspicious person call of a 19-year-old male living in a tent in a city park and meeting with a 12-year-old girlfriend there. This was connected to another case where the same 19-year-old male was exposing himself to another female and charges were filed relating to Criminal Child Enticement.

4/28/21 Officers respond to a call of an unconscious male passed out behind the wheel of a car and he is charged with OVI and found to be in possession of marijuana, Xanax, methamphetamine, and he is charged with his 9th OVI offense.

5/2/21 Officers respond to report of shots fired. A child in the neighborhood gives a description of a subject they saw holding a gun. Officers observe this subject go into a house and find he has multiple warrants. He ultimately comes outside and is arrested. After obtaining permission to search the home, a firearm was located that was believed to have been used by the arrested subject.

5/4/21 Officers respond to a report of a female screaming for help. They arrive to find a female standing on a roof with her infant son, believing there were people in her home trying to harm them. She was found to be under the influence of meth and was peacefully taken into custody and charged with DOC Intox and Child Endangering.

5/7/21 Officers observe a crash and one of the drivers was impaired, arrested and charged with his 9th OVI offense. He was on probation at the time for felony OVI.

5/13/21 Officers respond to an apartment complex for a report of a subject with a knife making threats. The individual was not cooperative, appeared unpredictable and high. He shoved one of the Officers and tried to escape which resulted in a significant physical altercation between the subject and three Officers. Multiple taser deployments ensued as the subject tried to pull one of the Officers' guns from their holster. In all, it was a 2 ½ minute all out fight in which the Officers handled themselves with incredible bravery and perseverance. The subject was arrested for multiple charges, including assault on an Officer, and attempted aggravated robbery.



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5/15/21 A male came to MPD asking for an escort to pick up his 13- and 15-year-old brothers who along with their mother and two other siblings had been tormented and held against their will with the threat of physical violence and injury with a handgun for an extended period of time. Additionally, it was found that the male had knocked out the front teeth of the female just days prior. Officers set up surveillance on the house and arrested the subject as he was seen leaving the house and ultimately he was arrested on multiple serious charges. A handgun was located in the home and the subject was charged with multiple serious offenses. Officers made a clear difference in the lives of this family.

5/17/21 Officers handle a hit-skip crash and find the driver hiding in bushes nearby and he is charged with his 5th OVI offense.

5/22/21 Officers respond to investigate a subject taking sexually explicit videos of juveniles. Due to a thorough investigation and interview, the suspect admitted to creating these illegal videos.

5/25/21 Officers conduct a traffic stop and upon hearing "federal probation" on the radio, the suspect fled on foot and was chased and arrested by assisting officers. The federal probation officer indicated that the subject was not even supposed to be in Ohio.

05/28/21 Officers respond to domestic where the reporting party says she saw the male point a gun at the female and assault her. The firearm was recovered, and he was arrested on multiple charges.

6/4/21 A MARMET Detective is driving down the road and sees a bloodied female running around a yard with a hatchet. We found this to be the result of two pit-bulls that had violently attacked multiple people resulting in serious injury. The Detective shot the first pit bull which was still actively chasing the female and ultimately the second (and more aggressive dog) was put down as well. There is no question that the quick actions of this Officer preserved life.

6/5/21 Officers locate a male walking on the street as the result of a call from a concerned citizen. The subject is found to be in possession of a handgun he purchased "from the street" as well as heroin.

6/25/21 Officers handled a theft of a riding lawn mower and later located the stolen mower on another property, hidden beneath a tarp.

6/25/21 Officers locate subject they are looking for related to the theft of a bicycle. The subject took off on foot, was tackled, arrested, and charged with the theft.

06/27/21 Officers respond to a report of a female being held against her will. She was found injured and the suspect was identified, arrested and charged with DV and Unlawful Restraint.

7/2/21 Officers responded to a local bar in regard to a man with a gun, threatening to "shoot up the bar". Officers responded to the bar, located the male and found the loaded gun in his vehicle.

7/9/21 A traffic stop results in a call for K9 assistance and a positive alert. Located because of the search was a loaded handgun, 171 grams of meth, heroin, fentanyl, marijuana, drug paraphernalia and \$3,080 in cash.



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7/10/21 A father reported that his 14-year-old son was convinced to meet up with a 41-year-old male who he met online. The adult male picked up the boy in Marion and was found to have taken him to an address in Delaware County. MPD officers coordinated with the outside law enforcement agency and the child was found at the suspect's residence. The suspect was charged with Importuning, Corruption of a Minor and Rape and the child was returned to Marion.

7/20/21 Officers handled a package theft from a front porch and were able to obtain video. One of MPD's civilian property officers recognized the subject who was subsequently charged with theft.

7/23/21 What started as a CSB referral for investigation out of Alabama, resulted in a sexual assault investigation in which a 13-year-old female was found to be pregnant by a 27-year-old male. The suspect was also found to be listed as one of Pennsylvania's "Most Wanted" out of a robbery case. Officers converged on his location and he attempted to flee but was arrested without incident.

7/25/21 Officers responded to a call of a male assaulting a female. Both were in the house and the female came out and indicated that she had been assaulted and the male was still inside and refusing to come out. With the aid of Detectives, a search warrant was obtained and just prior to serving the warrant he tried (to no avail) to flee out the front door. He was taken into custody and charged with felony DV and various other offenses.

7/27/21 MPD officers were sent to assist MCSO on a vehicle pursuit near the city limits. The suspect crashed and fled and was ultimately located by an MPD K9 team.

7/29/21 Officers responded to a shots fired call and found casings outside the home. It appeared a disturbance escalated into shots being fired. Investigation led to witnesses who were able to identify the suspect, resulting in criminal charges.

7/31/21 Officers received a call from a female indicating that her boyfriend had been controlling her for an extended period of time, would not let her or the children leave the house and has regularly assaulted her and threatened her with a gun. He regularly made threats to shoot the kids if she did not return home or if she called the Police. We attempted contact and the subject would not communicate as he was now in the house alone. SRT and HNT were activated and a throw phone was delivered into the house to establish contact. After a prolonged negotiation which spanned 5 hours, the subject was peacefully talked out of the house by our HNT negotiators. The handgun was located in the home and the suspect was charged with multiple felonies.

8/2/21 Officers and Detectives worked in conjunction with MFD investigators to solve a string of numerous residential arsons to abandoned houses, as well as related breaking and entering cases. Evidence was located and a confession obtained from the suspects.

8/5/21 Officers solved another arson on the City's west side involving juveniles who were "bored and wanted to light a fire".

8/12/21 A subject was developed in multiple catalytic converter thefts and he was located driving his truck on the North side of town. A stop was attempted which resulted in a lengthy vehicle pursuit. Ultimate-



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ly, the subject drove off road in the county and into a cornfield which resulted in an hours long manhunt on foot. The subject was found injured but was transported to MGH and then MCCC for multiple charges.

8/13/21 An off-duty officer located a reported stolen vehicle. MPD Officers converged and attempted a stop on the vehicle which took off and crashed into a privacy fence. The 14-year-old driver was arrested.

8/13/21 Officers handled a hit-skip call and obtained suspect vehicle information. They located the car and the suspect denied involvement. Good investigative work led to officers obtaining video footage from a neighbor who lives near the suspect, showing that the suspect was indeed the driver of the hit-skip vehicle.

8/14/21 Officers respond to a road rage incident where one party brandished a firearm. They located the suspect at a nearby hotel with crack cocaine and though uncooperative, he was arrested without incident.

8/16/21 After responding to a domestic violence incident, the male barricaded himself in the house and refused to come out. Officers forced entry into the home and arrested the suspect without incident.

8/18/21 Officers respond to a report of a subject holding a female against her will at gunpoint. They arrive, initiate contact with the female and are able to get the male in custody as well before finally locating the handgun used in this crime. The male was charged with Weapons under disability and later found to be in possession of heroin.

8/25/21 Officers responded to the assist MCSO Deputies who were chasing an armed subject who held his girlfriend at gunpoint. The subject fled into a cornfield and all MPD personnel were dispatched to assist. The subject fired rounds at Officers who were searching for him and later shot himself in the leg prior to being taken into custody. The subject was from Columbus and had been in Marion to commit thefts. The case resulted in the recovery of two stolen vehicles, two stolen firearms, numerous items of stolen property from nine different thefts from motor vehicles in the area and the suspect was charged with Felonious Assault, Aggravated Burglary, Grand Theft, Theft of a Firearm, Kidnapping, Discharging a firearm into a Habitation and Weapons Under Disability.

9/5/21 Officers responded to and investigated the death of a pedestrian who was struck by a moving train after attempting to crawl under the previously stopped train.

9/8/21 Officers initiated contact with a suicidal female who was in possession of a handgun and had the gun pointed to her head. Negotiations were initiated and after approximately 75 minutes, the female put the gun down and submitted to a psych evaluation.

9/12/21 Officers locate a subject that appears to be breaking into cars. A foot chase ensues and in the process, the suspect is seen throwing a gun and live rounds. After a lengthy foot pursuit the suspect was caught and charged with CCW, Weapons Under Disability, Tampering With Evidence, Obstructing, Resisting Arrest and Receiving Stolen Property.



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9/24/21 Officers handle a report of a Breaking and Entering to a shed where over \$10,000 in tools were stolen. With aid of Detectives, a suspect was developed and all of the tools were recovered.

10/1/21 A RapidSOS hit allowed Officers to quickly track a female who called dispatch to report that she was going to kill herself. Once the location was identified, forced entry was made to the home and the intoxicated female was taken to MGH for a psych evaluation.

10/1/21 In searching for a habitual runaway juvenile who reportedly stole a firearm, Officers located a friend of the juvenile who was in possession of a handgun. The missing juvenile was later located and charged with theft of a firearm.

10/9/21 Officers and Detectives worked together to solve a B&E to a gaming store where hundreds of items were stolen. This resulted in obtaining a search warrant of the suspect's home where the stolen goods and two stolen assault rifles were located.

10/10/21 Officers responded to a report of a person involved in a mental health crisis who was speaking in a nonsensical manner while in possession of a gun. Officers ultimately located the subject at a nearby gas station pumping gas. A loaded pistol and edged weapons were found on the front seat of the truck as the subject told officers that he was looking for "farmers and terrorists", clearly not in his proper state of mind.

10/13/21 Officers respond to an alarm call at a local bicycle shop and upon arrival, the first Officer sees three juveniles fleeing the business. One of the juveniles was immediately taken into custody and a confession was obtained.

10/13/21 Officers handled a case where multiple juvenile suspects seriously assaulted a juvenile female. Officers located a key suspect who still had the victim's blood on her person. When Officers attempted to place the suspect under arrest, both the suspect's boyfriend and father attempted to interfere with the arrest, making for a very challenging situation for the Officers.

10/24/21 Officers responded to an armed robbery at a local pizza shop and another on 10/26/21 at a local convenience store which was believed to involve the same suspects. The suspects escalated their behavior on the second incident and physically assaulted the store employee. With aid of the Investigations Division, suspects were developed in these cases resulting in criminal charges.

10/30/21 Officers responded to a call of shots fired on the North side and upon arrival, found multiple parties leaving the area simultaneously. A short time later, a second shooting call came in at a bar on the South side and was believed to be the same subjects that were involved in the first incident. A subject was shot in the arm from this incident but refused to cooperate with investigators.

11/4/21 When taking a subject into custody for an emergency psychiatric hospitalization, the subject lunged at the Officer and attempted to grab his firearm. The Officer did an excellent job of de-escalation and was able to connect the subject with mental health services without further incident.

11/20/21 Officers locate an OVI driver who was swerving and caused a crash. The stop resulted in a



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short, low speed pursuit and the arrest of the driver.

11/2/21 Officers responded to a welfare check of an elderly female. They forced entry, finding the female inside who had fallen three days prior and was unable to get up.

11/5/21 Officers respond to a burglary in progress, locate the suspect on scene and arrest him.

11/27/21 Officers respond to an aggravated burglary/home invasion involving two suspects with guns who stole a bookbag that contained a gun. Officers located one suspect and the stolen handgun and he was ultimately charged with aggravated burglary.

12/1/21 Officers responded to a domestic related stabbing. The female subject was later located, interviewed and arrested for felonious assault.

12/3/21 Officers arrested a suspect for theft of a motor vehicle that occurred in Marion. This same subject was wanted in connection with stolen vehicles in Mansfield, Bucyrus and Ontario as well.

12/12/21 Officers responded to a report of shots fired at 0500 hours. They locate two females and the firearm and this results of charges of discharging in city limits.

12/18/21 Officers locate a reported stolen vehicle and attempt a stop. The suspect flees resulting in a pursuit and after a crash, the officer gives chase on foot. The officer was able to successfully place the suspect under arrest without further incident. A loaded pistol and methamphetamine were located in the vehicle.

12/19/21 Officers were investigating an importuning case between a 20-year-old male and an 11-year-old female. When investigating an unrelated 911 hang-up call, they locate and arrest the suspect of that case.

12/20/21 Officers respond to a gas station for a subject passed out behind the wheel. He is found to have two prior OVI's and was arrested for a felony OVI.

12/22/21 Officers locate a vehicle stopped in the roadway and the driver was high on meth. After a K9 sniff, the vehicle was searched and located was .7 grams of fentanyl and 11.7 grams of meth. The suspect was charged with drug possession and falsification.

School Resource Officers

Our School Resource Officers continue to do exceptionally important work in our ten Marion City School buildings. Additionally, our SRO's assist other schools within the city, such as St. Mary and Marion Preparatory Academy.

Our SRO's are largely paid for by the Marion City School District to cover the cost of their salaries for the 9-month school year. Our Officers work hard to create positive connections with both students and staff alike.

Our School Resource Officers both participate in and create many positive events throughout the



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course of the year, from trick or treat to National Night Out. Our Officers are there to support our students and staff while also playing a key role in the security of the school buildings.

Our SRO's have engaged in multiple TAPS (Teens and Police Service Academy) mentoring sessions this year as well as multiple Books and Badges events where our Officers read to elementary school children.

We are proud of our community partnerships with Marion City Schools and while other jurisdictions have seen their SRO's removed from school buildings, we have great confidence in the need they fill and the role they play in ensuring a safe learning environment in each of our schools.

Please refer to the individual SROs' annual reports for a more detailed account of their work from 2021.

As we look forward to 2022, we hope to see improved staffing, less COVID, a continued downward trend in crime data and the on-going safety of our brave men and women who serve selflessly to ensure that Marion is a safe place to live, work and play.

Respectfully submitted,
Major B.J. Gruber
Operations Commander



INVESTIGATIONS REPORT

The Investigation Division of the Marion Police Department is made up of two units. The Detective Bureau, which is led by Lieutenant James Fitsko, and the Drug Task Force Unit (MARMET), which is led by Lieutenant Jamie Ralston.

During 2021, we had staff changes which saw Lt. Ed Brown move to MPACT with the promotion of Lt. B.J. Gruber to Major Gruber and Det. Dana Jagger being assigned to the Patrol Division. I would like to thank them both for their magnificent work and dedication.

At the end of 2021, the Detective Bureau consisted of Det. Scott Sterling, Det. Erica Delp, and Det. Sam Walter. They worked extremely hard this year with limited staffing to ensure that victims get justice and that quality cases get submitted to the Marion County Prosecutor's Office. Lt. Fitsko and his staff worked on many major crimes and crimes scenes that occurred in the City of Marion. They reviewed well over 608 cases this year and submitted them for charges.

Lt. Jamie Ralston took over in January of 2021 as the unit supervisor for the MARMET Task Force after the promotion of Lt. Chris Adkins to Major. This unit is a department in and of itself. Lt. Ralston's dedicated staff consisted of Det. Matt Creps, Det. Matt Baldridge, Det. Colin Lowe and K-9 Stash. Not only does Lt. Ralston supervise MPD detectives but he also supervises Det. Stacy McCurry, Det. Keith Griffin, and Analyst Blake Higgins from the Marion County Sheriff's Office. MARMET had a momentous year with recording breaking seizures. Their demanding work does not go unnoticed.

In 2021, there was an increased number of cases submitted from the previous year. A total of 100 additional cases were reviewed and submitted for charges. This number is just slightly under 2019 numbers.

Sex offenses, which includes Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC), take up a vast amount of time and resources. Often sex offense cases involve some type of social media application which takes time to obtain warrants and sort through all the data sent by social media provider.

ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children)

Detectives worked on 24 total ICAC cases for 2021. Several of these cases were closed out with arrest



Major Chris Adkins

Month	2019	2020	2021
January	54	52	31
February	72	40	51
March	41	43	63
April	51	39	49
May	50	44	53
June	46	54	41
July	81	51	34
August	43	40	66
September	43	42	53
October	59	34	75
November	76	20	43
December	38	49	49
Total:	654	508	608



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and convictions with most of the defendants getting many years if not decades of time in prison.

Homicides

21-00255 On January 18, 2021, patrol officers were sent to 126 S. Seffner Ave on a shooting call. The victim was later pronounced deceased. A murder investigation took place and within hours, developed Ziair Green (age 17) as a suspect. Green was later arrested and is awaiting trial in Common Plea Court. Fantastic job by all involved.

21-00908 On March 8, 2021, patrol officers were sent on a check the welfare call. Shortly after arriving, officers made entry to the house where they located a deceased female and canine. Inside, officers located Ronald Gibson with a self-inflicted wound. Ronald Gibson was later charged with the murder of his wife. Ronald Gibson's case is still pending a trial.

Involuntary Manslaughter

21-00930 On March 10, 2021, patrol officers and detectives responded to 338 Latourette Street on a shooting call. Michael Birchfield was located with a single gunshot wound and later died because of his injuries. The investigation led to the arrest of Jeremy Criswell, a friend of the deceased. Criswell was in possession of the firearm and accidentally fired the weapon killing Birchfield. Criswell later plead to Involuntary Manslaughter.

Notable Calls

21-03616 On August 12, 2021, Marion City and Marion County saw a rash of catalytic converters stolen. Marion PD and Marion County Sheriff Office detectives worked on the case together and developed Nathan Jolley as a suspect. That day, he was seen driving and a pursuit was initiated. Jolley was later followed at a safe distance for 20 plus miles. When officers started to close in, he ran his truck into a corn field and fled on foot. After a three-hour man hunt, Jolley was located and charged.

21-04910 On October 21, 2021, Norris Grocery was robbed at gun point. Detectives had little information to move forward with the case. In just over a weeks' time, two more armed robberies were reported at Domino's Pizza and Pop's Carry Out. Cedrick Riley and a juvenile were developed as suspects. Within days, both were arrested, and the case is still pending. Those involved did an outstanding job and Marion PD was assisted by their partners at the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

Respectfully,
Major Chris Adkins



ADMINISTRATION REPORT

The Administrative Division has a support role within the Marion Police Department and provides assistance to Operations and Investigations throughout the year. Some of the responsibilities within the Administrative Division include the MPACT program, records, property room, computer operations, quartermaster, training, grant applications, policy and vehicle fleet management. Also included as a duty of this division is the compilation of monthly reports, this yearly report, and other tasks as assigned by the Chief to assist in the day-to-day and long-term goals of the department.



Major Jon Shaffer

MPACT

MPACT stands for Marion Police and Community Together. This community-based program is led by Lt. Ed Brown. Lt. Brown took over for BJ Gruber when he was promoted from Lieutenant to Major in April of 2021. Lt. Brown hasn't missed a beat in building on the excellent foundation that Major Gruber set.



One of the goals for the MPACT program was to hold a Citizen Police Academy during the year. Led by Lt. Ed Brown, on September 16th, MPD hosted the first of 10 weeks of classes for the Academy. The academy was designed to provide the citizens of Marion a hands-on opportunity to learn more about MPD and the service provided. On November 18th, 10 community members graduated from the academy after presentations by several MPD officers on drug laws and the enforcement of those laws, traffic enforcement, crime scene processing, the history of the PD, and a lot more.

Also under the MPACT umbrella is the JV MPACT Officer. This position was made possible by the COPS Hiring Program (CHP) grant from 2020. The main focus of this position is to provide mentoring and police-initiated diversion. Officer Montel Smith was assigned to this position for the 2021 year, but, due to shortage of officers in the Patrol Division, he was temporarily moved back to Patrol. Lt. Brown took over his duties as the JV MPACT Officer for the remainder of the year. Officer Smith was able to resume this position at the beginning of 2022.

The Code Enforcement Officer is Casey Thomas. Officer Thomas was also moved back to the Patrol Division near the end of 2021 due to the same shortages. Prior to that, he made quite an impact in removing or gaining compliance for junk motor vehicles, removing tires for the City's right-of-way, and more. He was also able to resume his duties at the beginning of 2022.

Explorers

Another goal of the Administration Division was to revitalize the Explorer program. Officer Joe McDonald was assigned this task as the Grant Middle School Resource





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Officer with the assistance of Lt. Ed Brown and as a joint venture with the Marion County Sheriff's Office. The Explorer program looks to give 14–20-year-old students a chance to learn about the law enforcement field in a very hands-on way. The Sheriff's Office had several former Explorers enter the LE field previously, and, with the recruiting challenges all of LE face right now, it is a good way to try to broaden our reach of perspective applicants.

The first meeting for potential Explorers was held at the beginning of January and is well underway.

Administration/Records

Nicole Trent is the Records Clerk for MPD. The majority of Nicole's day is composed of filling public records requests. With the seemingly increased number of body camera requests, this has become a very time-consuming and detailed task. Each body camera is redacted per public record laws, then reviewed by me as an extra quality assurance step. I often call on previous training and the help of Law Director Mark Russell to answer questions about what can be released. Nicole also handled the traditional report requests. In addition to records requests, Nicole handles the sealing and expungement of records sent from the courts, fingerprint checks for the public, and attaching files to reports.



Nicole Trent



Dustin Evans

Dustin Evans is the Administrative Assistant for the police department. Dustin takes care of all things purchase order or invoice-related for the police department. He also is very helpful with any additional administrative tasks that are required.



Amanda Adkins

Property Room

Amanda Adkins and Nicole Wheeler handle all property room duties. Any property that comes to the PD to be secured as evidence, found property, or safekeeping goes through them. They do a fantastic job managing the large amount of property that comes in on a daily basis.

For 2021, Major Adkins worked with the Amanda and Nicole to develop a "cashless" property room. The police department is permitted by law to have a non-interest-bearing account at a bank to hold funds that normally would be kept in the property room.



Nicole Wheeler

Records Management

A third goal for the Administration Division was to train on and implement the new CAD/RMS/Mobile software system county-wide for law enforcement. In October of



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2021, in conjunction with the Marion County Sheriff's Office, we decided to end our contract for CAD/RMS/ Mobile with SOMA Global. Due to this, the process of finding a new vendor began and continued after the first of the year. It's a long, but important process because these software systems are the backbone of the computer system at the police department.

Grants

The department continued the work of the COPS Hiring Program (CHP) grant from 2020 that provided for three police officers. Officers completed four community policing trainings online through the COPS Training Portal as part of the grant. Officer Montel Smith and Lt. Ed Brown worked together as the JV MPACT Officers and held three TAPS Academy classes throughout the year. TAPS focuses on police mentoring for middle school-aged students. The other main focus is police-initiated diversion which the continued to do as well.

In addition to the CHP grant, the department closed out the CESF grant that helped provide funding at the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020. Due to a backlog, the remaining equipment that was ordered was delivered in 2021.

The department also applied for a grant through the State of Ohio to supplement and upgrade the department's body-worn camera program. The department first implemented body cameras in 2015. Since then, technology has changed tremendously and the current cameras need replaced. Near the end of January 2022, it was found that Marion PD was awarded \$93,092 for this program. This will go a long way in replacing the existing body cameras with better technology.

Fleet/Training/Recruitment & Hiring

Vehicle fleet, training and recruitment & hiring are covered as separate sections of this annual report. Jerry Parker does a fantastic job in maintaining the police department fleet.

City Hall Security Desk Screeners

Near the end of 2021, the police department began the process of hiring security screeners to supplement the police officers in the front lobby for the security desk. At the beginning of 2022, Steve Walton and Juanita Rosvanis were hired, trained, and began their duties as security screener. We're excited to have them at MPD.

Respectfully,
Major Jon Shaffer



Jerry Parker



MARMET REPORT

The Marion-Metrich Drug Task Force, better known as MARMET, is charged with investigating drug and vice crimes within Marion County. Comprised of members from the Marion Police Department, Marion County Sheriff's Office, and Marion County Prosecutor's Office, the local drug task force is part of a greater regional unit known as METRICH based out of Mansfield, Ohio and is governed by a Board consisting of Sheriff Matt Bayles, Chief Jay McDonald, and Prosecutor Raymond Grogan.

Drugs continue to be the main crime problem in Marion County. The drug problem leads to the thefts, burglaries, robberies, prostitution, and assault calls. MARMET continues to work aggressively with the court system to address the problem as best we can, but this epidemic is not limited to Marion County. More people die from opiate-related deaths in Ohio than from vehicular accidents. Employers have often reported that they experience trouble finding potential employees because of drug-related issues. MARMET remains committed to assisting Marion County by aggressively pursuing drug traffickers who bring these lethal drugs into our community.

In previous years, heroin has been the most prominent drug abused in Marion County. Heroin continues to be the deadliest drug in our county, especially when it is combined with other drugs. Although recently, we are seeing that the most popular drug of choice tends to be methamphetamine and cocaine. Methamphetamine is the most dangerous drug for law enforcement personnel to encounter, requiring a great deal of training for our detectives. All of these drugs have taken a strong hold in this community, and they continue to affect numerous lives.

While there are still several results that we do have back yet, Marion County ended the year with at least 34 lives lost due to drug overdose and at least 271 non-fatal overdoses. Marion repeatedly sees heroin laced with the powerful prescription drug, Fentanyl. This includes fentanyl analogs such as Furanylfentanyl and Carfentanil which we are still seeing being detected in fatal overdoses. Fentanyl is reported as being 50 times more potent than heroin and up to 100 times more potent than morphine. Carfentanil is the most potent fentanyl analog detected in the United States and is approximately 10,000 times more potent than morphine, 100 times more than fentanyl, and 50 times more than heroin.

Recently, the most common analogs that we have been coming across are para-fluorofentanyl and the resurgence of acetyl fentanyl. Studies suggest that acetyl fentanyl's potency is 5 to 15 times that of heroin. All of these fentanyl analogs are extremely dangerous and can be disguised in or as several other different types of drugs, such as heroin or prescription pills. Counterfeit pills may contain fatal amounts of fentanyl or methamphetamine and are extremely dangerous because they frequently appear identical to legitimate prescription pills, and the user is likely unaware of what they are truly using and just how lethal they can be.



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Of the 34 fatal overdoses in 2021, so far at least 17 (50%) of them have come back as fentanyl or fentanyl mixed with another drug. These additives are so dangerous that MARMET has taken preventative steps to try to ensure our officers are not negatively impacted to them through an accidental exposure. To give a better understanding of how dangerous fentanyl really is, there are a couple pictures shown. The second picture is 2 milligrams of fentanyl, which is a lethal dose in most people.

On a day-to-day basis, MARMET is led by Lt. Jamie Ralston of the Marion Police Department with the assistance of Major Ken Rittenour from the Marion County Sheriff's Office. For the beginning of 2020, the unit was led by Major Chris Adkins, until later in the year when he was promoted to Major of Investigations. Major Adkins still assists the Drug Task Force anytime that is needed. MARMET consists of Detective Colin Lowe, his partner K9 Stash, Detective Matt Baldrige, and Detective Matt Creps from the Marion Police Department. Along with Detectives Keith Griffin and Stacy McCurry of the Marion County Sheriff's Office. Blake Higgins continues to serve as the analyst for MARMET.

MARMET continues to be assisted by the Investigations units of the Marion County Sheriff's Office and the Marion Police Department. Marion County Sheriff's Office Investigations unit is led by Major Ken Rittenour along with Detectives Jim Soice and Christy Uteley. Marion Police Department Investigations unit being led by Major Chris Adkins and Lt. Jim Fitsko along with Detectives Erica Delp, Katie Barber, and Scott Sterling. MARMET also works closely with Marion County Adult Probation and Ohio Adult Parole Authority, who provide a great deal of information that is very valuable to the Task Force.

MARMET is a self-sufficient operation, with tax dollars being spent only towards the salaries of the people assigned to the unit. All other operating costs are met through monies seized from offenders of drug investigations. In 2021, the Drug Task Force seized in total \$79,625.00

Lt. Ralston continues to help and be an active member of the MARC Court (Drug Court) treatment team with Judge Teresa Ballinger. MARMET will continue to support Judge Ballinger in her efforts to help Marion County. In 2021, Members of MARMET Drug Task Force had in total provided at least 24 drug awareness education training or presentations. MARMET knows it cannot arrest everyone connected to illegal drugs in Marion County and make the drug issue go away. It also knows that enforcement cannot be left off the table either and must be a vital part of any plan to reduce the impact of drugs in our community.

In 2021, Marion County saw a decrease in non-fatal overdose calls with the total being 271, which is 16 less than we had in 2020. Marion County also saw a decrease in overdose deaths in 2021 with a total of 34, this is 8 less overdose deaths than we had in 2020. This number is not solid as autopsy reports are still being completed.

MARMET continues to have available a TIPS line for the public to call in information and remain



<https://www.dea.gov/galleries/drug-images/fentanyl>



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anonymous if they would like to do so. This year the TIPS line received around 1,000 calls. In 2021, MARMET also launched an online tips portal where people can send in tips anonymously via a website to give citizens an additional way to share information with law enforcement. People who would like to send in tips are also able to do so by email or by contacting the Marion Police Department or Marion Sheriff's Department Facebook pages. We are always looking to engage with the community in any way possible to receive information about drug trafficking activity or concerns in their neighborhood.

MARMET had many noteworthy cases in 2021

February 18: MARMET detectives, along with assistance of the Marion Co. Sheriff's Office, executed a search warrant in the 3000 block of Marion Waldo Rd. Detectives seized 391 grams of fentanyl and 51 grams of cocaine. The Fentanyl seized during this search warrant was enough of an amount to kill an estimated 195,000 people. Jorge Moctezuma was charged with Trafficking in Fentanyl and Trafficking in Cocaine.

February 23: Patrol Officers from the Marion Police Department responded to the 1300-block of Crescent Heights Rd for a reported suspicious occupied vehicle. Their investigation resulted in the seizure of two loaded handguns, 85.7 grams of methamphetamine and \$3,536 in U.S. Currency. Following this stop, MARMET detectives responded and executed a search warrant at the suspect's apartment which resulted in an additional 175.6 grams methamphetamine. Shannon Shannin was charged with Trafficking in Methamphetamine, Weapons under Disability, as well as Carrying a Concealed Weapon. Michael Marshall was charged with Possession of Methamphetamine, Weapons under Disability, Carrying Concealed Weapon as well as Obstructing Justice and active felony warrants.

June 9: MARMET Drug Task Force detectives executed a search warrant in the 300-block of Willow St. In total, 14,015.6 grams of marijuana along with \$11,250.00 in cash and 3 firearms.

July 30: MARMET Drug Task Force members served two search warrants in the 400-block area of Roberts Ave., resulting in a seizure of 1,056.6 grams of Fentanyl along with 723.6 grams of Cocaine.

August 3: MARMET detectives along with the Marion Special Response Team executed a search warrant in the 1000-block of Fairwood Ave reference an ongoing drug investigation. In total, \$2,073.00 cash was seized along with 5.9 grams of Fentanyl and two firearms.

August 19: MARMET executed a search warrant at a storage unit located at 1300 Harding Hwy E and seized in total, \$2,938.1 grams of marijuana along with 13 firearms.

August 20: MARMET served a search warrant in the 500 block of Decatur St and seized in total \$737.00 cash, 356.3 grams of marijuana, 24.5 grams of methamphetamine, 6.8 grams of cocaine, and 35 prescription pills.

October 28: MARMET detectives along with the Marion Special Response Team, Marion County Sheriff's Office, Marion City Police Department, Wyandot County Major Crimes Unit, and the Marion County Prosecutors Office executed three search warrants, referencing an ongoing narcotics investigation, simultaneous-



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ly after an investigation by detectives from the MARMET Drug Task Force. Search warrants were executed in the 2000-block of Matheny Dr., 2000-block of Whetstone River Rd S., and the 200-block of S. Main St. in Cal- edonia. In total, 170.7 grams of suspected methamphetamine, 335.1 grams of suspected marijuana, sus- pected Ecstasy pills, nine firearms and \$3,337.00 in cash was seized.

November 8: MARMET detectives obtained and served a search warrant for an address on Dennis Ave and in the 100 block of Hane Ave. Detectives seized three firearms and 301 Percocet pills.

December 8: MARMET detectives with assistance from Marion City Police Department, Marion County Sher- iff's Office, and the Marion Special Response Team served a search warrant in the 700-block of Creston Ave after an investigation by detectives from the MARMET Drug Task Force. Detectives seized 70.3 grams of her- oin/fentanyl that had been broken down into 159-unit doses, 27.7 grams of suspected crack cocaine that had been broken down into 63 bindles and suspected Ecstasy pills. There was also \$1,295.00 cash seized. Brushaun Baker and Latoy Hodges, from Chicago IL., were both arrested and charged with Trafficking in a Fentanyl-Related Compound, Trafficking in Heroin, and Trafficking in Cocaine.

December 17: MARMET detectives along with assistance from the Marion Special Response Team, executed a search warrant in the 600 block of E Church St. reference an ongoing drug investigation. In total, the fol- lowing items were seized: 61.6 grams of cocaine, 107 Percocet pills, 3.77 grams of crack cocaine, 11.2 grams of Fentanyl, 226 grams of marijuana, 10 firearms along with \$5,526.00 cash.

Technology, funding, and the ever-changing drug world remains MARMET's biggest challenges. Drug dealers adapt to what law enforcement has figured out and change their way of transportation and conceal- ment. MARMET continues to do its best to stay at the forefront and always stay one-step ahead. We would like to thank Judge Theresa Ballinger, Judge Warren Edwards, Former Judges Jason Warner, and William Fin- negan, along with Judge Matthew Frericks for their support of law enforcement in Marion County, Ohio.

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MARMET Drug Task Force



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The information below is collected from Marion Police Department, Marion County Sheriff's Office, and the Marion Post of the State Highway Patrol:

MAJOR DRUG STATISTICS FOR MARION COUNTY 2021

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
New Cases	990	611	575	548	326	184	266
Indictments	488	585	518	581	546	426	591
Search Warrants	183	271	257	193	186	184	163
Drug Education Programs	16	21	49	40	34	20	24
Money Seized	\$183,085.00	\$123,195.00	\$69,716.00	\$783,088.00	\$80,310.49	\$100,947.35	\$79,625.00
Heroin/Fentanyl (grams)	2,098	843.63	1,083.30	546.34	469	1,214.41	1,835.30
Cocaine (grams)	114	906.86	169.2	163.2	521.2	215.94	524.6
Crack Cocaine (grams)	615	496.62	299.9	335.9	344.7	272.6	972.4
Prescription Drugs (pills)	2,277	3,923.50	4,160	1,523.60	2,115.30	1,288.80	1,037
Guns	86	81	77	187	236	210	196





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As timing would have it, I took over as the MPACT coordinator in April of this year as the COVID restrictions began to lessen, allowing for more community engagement. Going into this, I already knew we had great partnerships with the community, specifically with the Marion City Schools and the city's Love Our Neighborhoods organization. I began to build more relationships with MARCA and Wings of an Angel to foster relationships with our developmentally disabled population who is often apprehensive in their interactions with the police. I also began to build partnerships with other organizations to include Starfish Assignment, 2nd and Seven Foundation, iHeart Media, the Marion Public Library, the Jerzee and the Lance and Aileen Porter Foundation.

Working with Love Our Neighborhoods, we participated in several neighborhood clean up projects, taking tons of trash and brush out of the city's neighborhoods as well as the Tire Turn in Day in April. Seven huge dumpsters of scrap tires were filled in one day at this event.

I ended my first month of my new position getting back to the basics of MPACT. We opened up the storage room and brought out all the T-shirts, sunglasses, frisbees etc. and spent a day visiting kids in parks, residential neighborhoods and the Boys and Girls Club to interact with the youth in our community in a positive way.

We continued our partnership with Dairy Queen in the Nationwide Children's Hospital Bicycle Safety Campaign. Several of our officers also met with Paul James of iHeart Media and recorded Public Safety Announcements which air randomly during commercial breaks throughout the day. The first one was aired within an hour of being recorded and prior to all of them being done.

This partnership continued into the Summer Lunch Program with the City Schools. Due to COVID, this dramatically changed into a once a week drive thru. We worked with iHeart and their Prize Wheel to hand out lots of cool prizes to kids every week.

This year, I started what I hope to be an annual event by playing a game of kickball with the Special Olympic Athletes on June 17th. MPACT was able to provide hotdogs, drinks and popsicles for the event which turned out to be one of best days of my career. One of the DD clients was overheard saying to his caregiver as he walked away, "This was the best day of my entire life." Then a week later, members of the Special Response Team once again participated in the Special Olympics Torch Run as they have in years past.

In July of this year, with the COVID restrictions being relaxed, the Citizen's Police Academy Alumni was able to start meeting in person again. We were also able to once again hold our Women's Self Defense



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Class in partnership with the Marion Victim's Assistance Program.

MPACT was also invited to participate with Story Time at the Jerzee this summer. This was a great program for young children to meet at the Jerzee for stories, singing and dancing. They met once a week during the summer and it was capped off with Christmas in July. I had the unique privilege of driving Santa to the event which was extremely well attended.

In addition to this, we were invited to a number of community events throughout the year. Officer Dunaway attended the Latino Health Fair at the St. Mary School gymnasium. I attended the DaVita ribbon cutting ceremony and open house. Lt. Elliott, Six and I attended the Waldo Summer Festival while Lt. Wheeler, Joker and I attended the Family Fun Night at Steak and Shake. Officer Dunaway and Smith attended the youth Disc Golf event at Sawyer Ludwig Park. This was the first year for this event and the turn out was much larger than expected. Officer Dunaway also went to the Randy Cleveland Car Show in support of Safety City. In September, I attended the Youth Drug Free Rally on South Main St. that was sponsored by Drug Free Marion through the Marion Crawford Prevention Program. Lt. Elliott, Six and I also attended the DeWolfe House Fall Festival.

The biggest event of the year, though, was our own National Night Out which is annually held the first Tuesday in August. The community really comes together for us to be able to put this event on. The front of Grant Middle School is filled with bouncy houses, we have live music, food trucks, free hotdogs, and booths set up by a number of community groups. This year we added in a dunk tank that several of our officers including the Chief of Police, Jay McDonald sat in, as did the county prosecutor, Ray Grogan, School Superintendent Ron Iarussi and Marion County Sheriff Matt Bayles. The highlight is always the mascot dance off which had twelve participants this year. The whole event ends with fireworks.

On August 14th, in partnership with Pastor Corredon Rogers of New Hope Baptist Church, we held our first father/son softball game. The Porter Foundation provided T-shirts to all the participants. We once again provided food and drinks for the game as well as players.

Speaking of softball, the members of the Police Department were challenged to a game by one of the local 10u softball teams in Lincoln Park. This game was extremely well attended by family and friends of the kids and the feedback was incredible.

MPACT also did a large scale school supply drive in which we were able to provide needed supplies to all the schools in Marion County. We have also distributed hundreds of hats and gloves to kids who need them at the schools and on the streets.

On September 16th, we were able to start up our Citizen's Police Academy once again. We met once a week for two and a half hours in this ten week program which ended November 18th. We graduated ten people from our CPA program this year.

October 6th was Coffee with a Cop Day. Coffee and Crumb Café set up in the parking lot of City Hall for this event. There was a steady line of people that came out to visit with officers for the entire two hours



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we ran this event.

On October 14th, we were challenged to a game of volleyball by the Harding High School varsity team. We would like to say that we won but we can say that we all had a good time.

Officer Dunaway and I also participated in the Marion Downtown Inc. Monster March on October 16th. October 30th was the traditional Beggar's Night for the City of Marion. All four SROs and I teamed up with CPAAA members and spread out throughout the community to hand out candy to all the ghouls and goblins trick or treating. In both of these events, it was really cool to see how many kids dressed up as police officers.

In November, we were challenged to a game of softball by the Marion City Fire Department. We invited the community to come out and enjoy the game.

December brought about the holiday season. I drove Safety Pup through the Downtown Marion Inc. Christmas parade. We also put the law enforcement cardinal in the parade with the artist who painted it, our very own Amanda Adkins. Prior to the start of the parade, Safety Pup and I got to visit with groups of kids who were headed for their seats on the parade route.

On December 16th, we held our second largest event of the year with Cops, Kids and Cocoa. This year we held it at the Grant Middle School cafeteria and partnered with the Marion County Sheriff's Office. Over and above having Santa, cookies and cocoa, we had donations so each child in attendance walked away with a goody bag of snacks and another bag of knickknack style toys. The coolest piece of this, though, is that we had art projects from the students at Grant Middle School decorating the walls and the students at Pleasant made all the tree ornaments and decorations. It was truly a community event and we could not have done without the support of so many.

Throughout the year, we have done many different trainings and assessments for our community. Maj. Gruber and I did an active attacker training for Sakamura. Officer Dunaway, Monnette and I did the same type training for St. Mary School. Officer Dunaway and I have since returned to St. Mary to complete a safety/ security assessment. Of course, we have done similar state assessments on all of our public schools, as well as GOAL Academy. I was asked to do a security walkthrough at Temple Israel and Officer McDonald and I spoke with the security team at Trinity Baptist Church. I have been asked to come as a guest speaker to the MTC basic police academy class about the MPACT program and my career in law enforcement. I presented a class on Scams for the Adult Lifelong Learning class at the Marion Public Library. Maj. Adkins presented a class on personal safety for the same program. I also put together two presentations for Internet Safety at the Library, one for middle school students and one for parents and guardians.

I attended the Basic Crime Prevention Class through the OCPA as well as Basic SRO training through the OSROA. I have also joined the Ohio Law Enforcement Explorers Advisor Association and attended their annual conference.

My biggest accomplishment of the year is our Books and Badges Program. This not only allows for



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officers to positively interact with the kids in our community but also gives us a platform to promote literacy. Thanks to our partners with Starfish Assignment and 2nd and Seven Foundation, we are able to provide each of the students (Grades K-5) with a copy of the book that we read to take home with them. This program has been extremely well received and we have been in at least two classrooms in each of the city's elementary schools. In the case of St. Mary's, we have visited every classroom. In total, we have visited twenty four classrooms this year.

This year, we have also made visits to the YMCA preschool as well as several of the classrooms at some of our elementary schools. I also, along with Chief McDonald and Officer McDonald have made several visits to MARCA and Wings of an Angel to visit and speak with them about different safety issues. I have been working with Officer Joe McDonald and other members of both MPD and MCSO to develop our new joint Explorer program. Lastly, I have been working with the Marion City Schools and Drug Free Marion in developing a Handle with Care program for the City of Marion. This will identify kids who experience trauma and help to get them assistance if needed.

Respectfully Submitted,
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2021 was the first year for the Juvenile MPACT program. Officer Montel Smith was named as the Juvenile MPACT Officer and Officer Ben-roth and Officer Ryan Kelly were named as his assistants. The assistants remained assigned to the Patrol Division but to give special attention to calls involving youth. With this program, we also implemented our Teen and Police Service Academy (TAPS). This is a program designed to build relationships with the youth in our community in hopes of preventing future crimes through mentorship. The implementation of this program has brought with it a learning curve to ensure the scheduling and that we are getting the right kids in the program. The Police Department identified the middle school aged kids as the ones we can have the most impact with to curb crime, specifically violent crime, in the future.

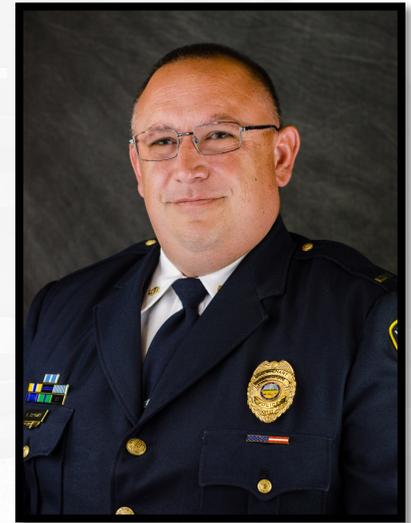
Our first TAPS program was held at Grant-Withrow Middle School. There were ten youth participants in the program and of this, only five students graduated the program. The graduation was held at Blue Fusion and each graduate was given a nice gift as well as certificate. Most of the youth in this first session already had criminal histories which raised the questions if the program had much of an impact with them on their future decisions and behaviors.

Over the summer months, we attempted to run a second TAPS program in the Police Department's classroom. Again, we began with ten youth enrolled in the program and we provided the transportation for the youth to get to the classes. The attendance was low and continued to progress to the point that there were some days, we had no kids answer their doors. We had no graduates from the summer session and realized that this would be impractical to run in the summer again.

In September, Officer Smith was temporarily moved from this position and back into road patrol due to staffing issues. I assumed the responsibilities of the Juvenile MPACT Officer. I met with the assistant MPACT Officers and set up a program for them to report to me any Police Initiated Diversion that they completed. This would be for minor offenses in which the officers would meet with the youth and their parents and make referrals to other agencies in lieu of criminal prosecution.

We also held out third TAPS session of the year, beginning in October. With this, we also utilized our third location, the blended learning lab at Grant Middle School. I met with the dean of students at the school, Liz Taylor, to have her help identify those students who are beginning to have disciplinary issues and starting to slide down the slippery slope.

This class had ten students enrolled. Unfortunately, one left the school halfway through the curriculum. Again, we only graduated five students, mostly due to poor attendance, for a variety of reasons. We



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Officer Montel Smith



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really began to see some positive results with the class, though. One of the female students was adamant that she was not doing this class when her mother signed her up for it. She went on a rant on how she did not like cops and wanted nothing to do with them. Halfway through the month of November, this same student was recruiting other kids for our next session.



Another student told school administrators that because of TAPS, he has quit vaping. He now has aspirations of becoming a police officer. I also had the opportunity to speak with two students who had to miss a class because of school discipline. Both were more upset about missing TAPS more so than the fact that they had to serve ALC or suspension.



One of the lessons we learned from the prior classes is that we cannot limit ourselves to just an hour a week while the kids are in school in order to mentor these kids. With that in mind, Officer McDonald and I visited each of the kids enrolled in the program during the week of Thanksgiving and the week of Christmas when school was not in session. We could see not only the impact that this had on the kids but their family members, as well.

Currently, I am working with Mrs. Taylor to schedule our next TAPS sessions and identify the students to enroll in the program. The current plan is to run two separate sessions a week. I will be looking to re-enroll some of the students that did not complete the last session that would benefit from our continued efforts to work with them. I am also working on developing some type of post-TAPS program so we can continue to provide mentorship and support to those kids who have graduated our program.

In recognizing that we are only getting a limited number of youth involved in our TAPS program, I began other mentorship efforts within Grant Middle School. I began randomly, on a regular basis, stopping into the Alternative Learning Center (ALC- formerly known as In-School Suspension) and talking to those students about the choices that they made which resulted in them being placed in there. I also began visiting, talking with and helping the kids in the Blended Learning Center. These are the students who do most of their school work virtually from home. They are required, however, to come into the building for several hours a week. Being that this is all the time they spend in the building, I wanted to reach out and attempt to build a foundation with them since they do not see the SROs on a regular basis and thus do not have the opportunity to interact with and officer outside of the potential call on the street.

In addition to this, Officer McDonald and I have been meeting with members of this departments administration as well as the Marion County Sheriff's Office to develop a joint Explorer's Program. I attended the Ohio Law Enforcement Explorer's Advisor's Association Conference on December 1st and 2nd this year. Officer McDonald has diligently been working to identify youth that may be interested in a career in law enforcement. This program continues to develop and our first meeting with the youth is set for January of 2022.

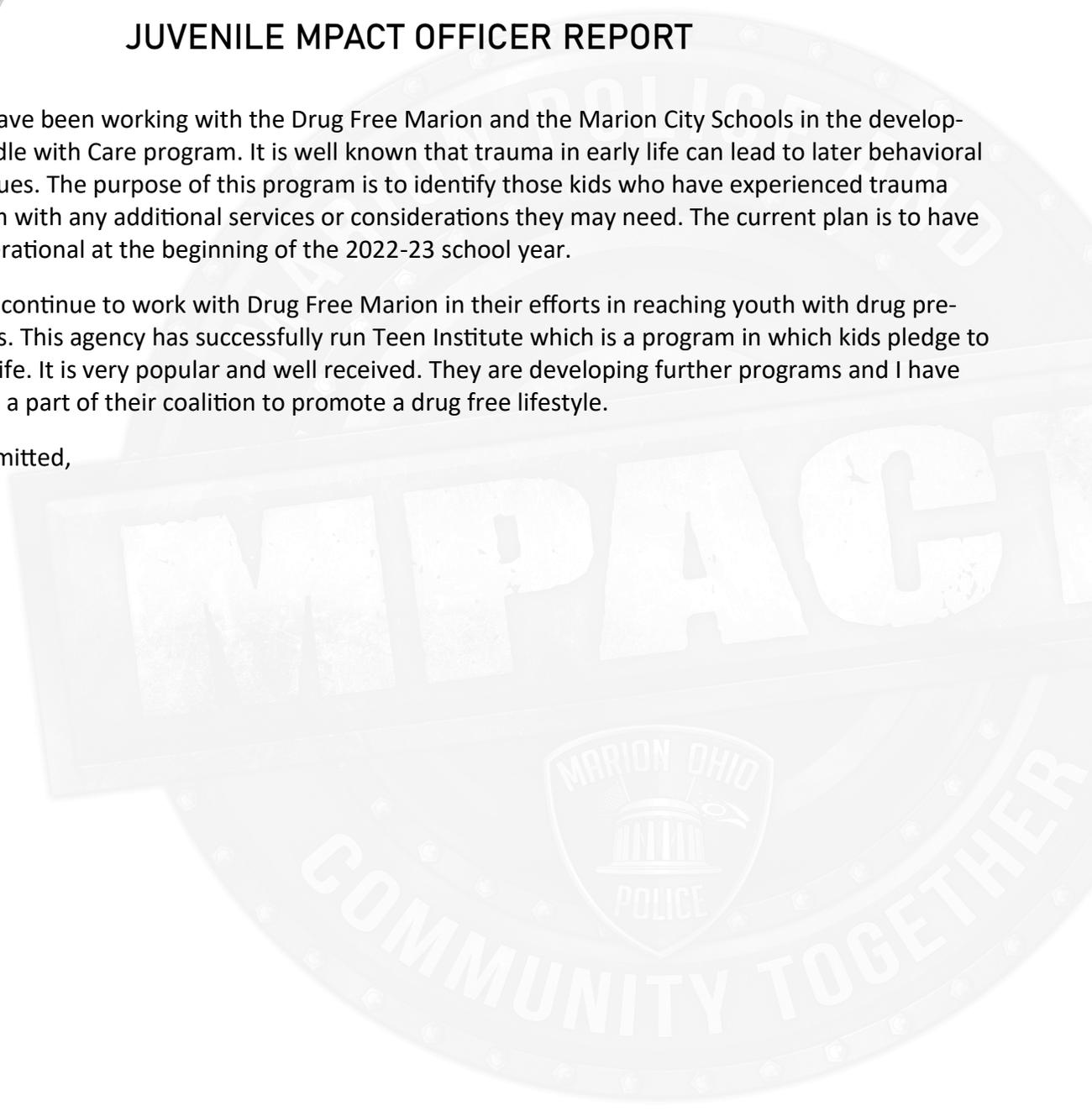


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Lastly, I have been working with the Drug Free Marion and the Marion City Schools in the development of our Handle with Care program. It is well known that trauma in early life can lead to later behavioral and addiction issues. The purpose of this program is to identify those kids who have experienced trauma and provide them with any additional services or considerations they may need. The current plan is to have this program operational at the beginning of the 2022-23 school year.

I will also continue to work with Drug Free Marion in their efforts in reaching youth with drug prevention programs. This agency has successfully run Teen Institute which is a program in which kids pledge to lead a drug free life. It is very popular and well received. They are developing further programs and I have been asked to be a part of their coalition to promote a drug free lifestyle.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lt. Ed Brown





HARDING HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

The year started with a delayed return from winter break and school did not resume until Jan 19th. I did numerous home visits talking to families and students, along with staff, about getting failing grades and getting caught back up. When we did return it was a Hybrid model and there were no students at the school on Wednesdays. The amount of students that had mental health issues over the year were unbelievable. I transported more students to ER for evaluation this year than ever before.

Vaccinations were offered to staff in February and with over 80% participation school was able to go back to a full week starting in March. Harding High School was honored as one of three in hosting the Ohio High School Wrestling Tournament. This was a real boost for the businesses in Marion. We were able to host a vaccination clinic here in the school for students and the community.

We began preparing for end of year activities with prom in the courtyard, senior breakfast, and graduation at the stadium. All of these went very well. This is the first activities that this group of students have been able to take part in almost two years because of COVID.

Summer was odd, the school's summer food program was turned into a drive thru on one day a week getting a week's supply. We were given the go ahead for National Night Out and in August we had our event with awesome attendance and even more community partners being involved.

School returned from summer break with the continued mask mandate. (Which was then dropped after Thanksgiving break.) The behaviors seemed to escalate when school started back for August and September. Tik Tok challenges seemed to be an issue as well. Football was back with fans in the stands. I did notice that the mental health concerns reduced as we got toward the end of the year. There were not many criminal filings throughout the year from Harding High School, but I had numerous involvements with Children Services and assisted several families in finding community services needed for various reasons.

Criminal Filings are as follows:

- Agg Arson—3
- Vandalism---1
- Robbery---1
- Inciting Violence---1
- DOC Fighting---8
- Felony Assault---1
- Unlawful Sexual Conduct with a Minor---1

Respectfully submitted,
SRO Dave Dunaway



Ofc. Dave Dunaway





GRANT MIDDLE SCHOOL REPORT

Total number of cases filed (23) in 2021.

Charges filed:

Disorderly Conduct: 4

Domestic Violence: 1

Menacing: 1

Unruly Juvenile: 4

Assault 4

Sexual Assault 1

Disseminate matter harmful to juvenile 1

Drug Abuse Marijuana 1

Theft 2

Pandering Obscenity 2

Warrant/ Tampering 1

Endangering Children 1



Ofc. Joe McDonald

Off. Reed retired in May of 2021, he will be missed. Off. Joe McDonald took over as SRO in August of 2021.

October the school held Literacy night on 10-28-21. Halloween party where the kids had a lot of fun coloring, painting, solving a murder mystery, and many other activities. They followed the night up with some pizza. Staff and students all seemed to have fun.

The first lock down drill of the year was completed in combination with a K9 locker sniff on 10-12-21. Marion City K9s along with others from across central Ohio were on site for this. Nothing found.

The Thanksgiving meal did not take place since the school district went to remote learning that week with little notice. On return, the mask mandate was lifted. The first day without masks the students seemed to be happier.

On Dec. 16th, Grant hosted the Coco with Cops which was held in the new cafeteria in this building. Grant even provided kitchen staff for the event. During the day, some students lent a hand in setting up, Lt. Brown was heading the show. Big thanks to Dale Baker for sitting in as Santa. Another big thanks to all those who contributed to making the night special for so many kids.

School administration here at Grant handle a majority of the discipline without LE assistance. I was asked on numerous occasions to check cameras and watch video which helped identify suspects to many incidents. Once the suspect(s) were located and identified, administration did the rest.

Every morning I check every classroom door to ensure the doors are locked, several students ask me why I check the doors. I just tell them for their safety. Multiple teachers have thanked me for walking the halls and checking the doors. I try being in the halls between classes and in the lunch room during the lunch





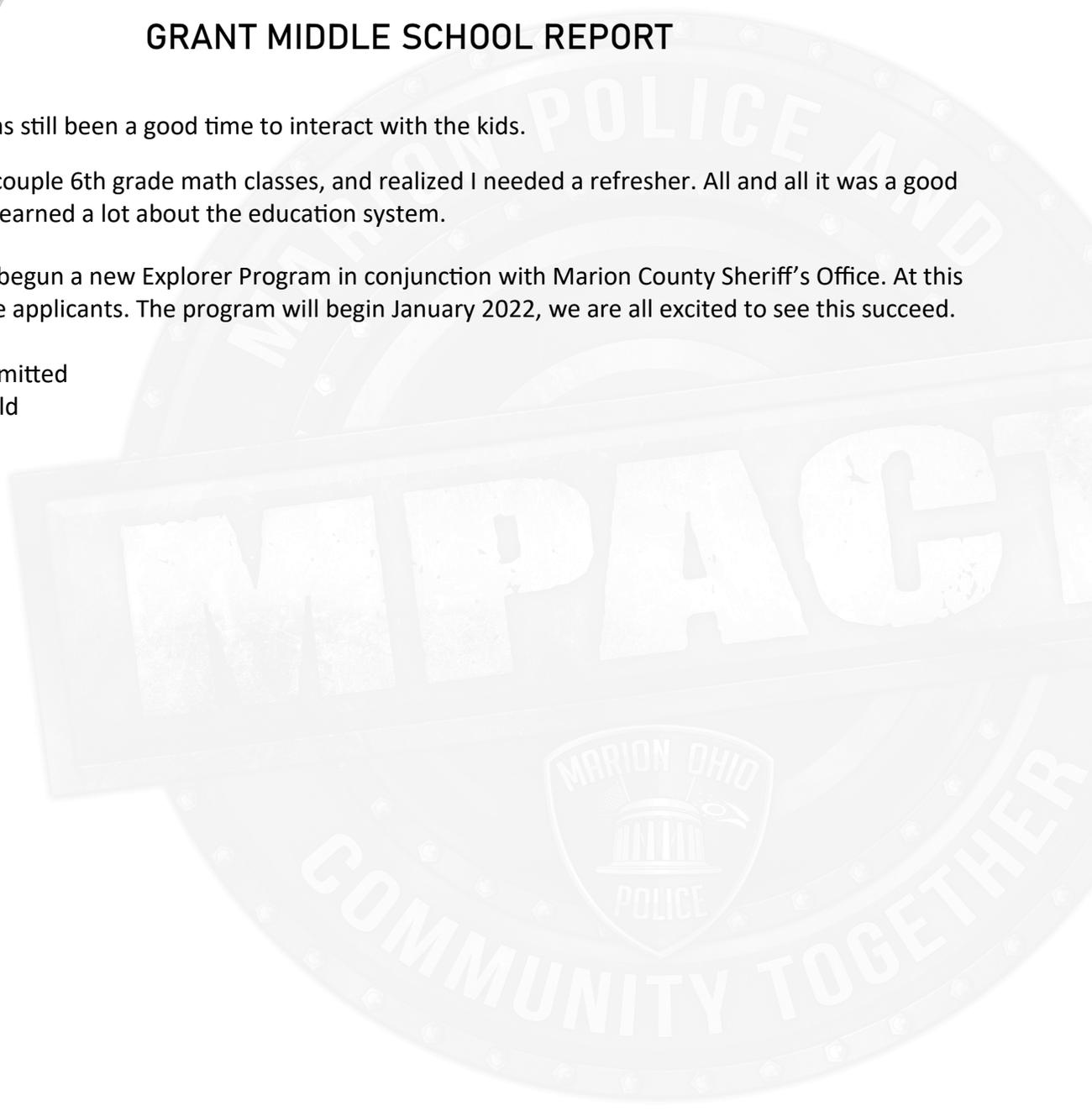
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periods as this has still been a good time to interact with the kids.

I sat in a couple 6th grade math classes, and realized I needed a refresher. All and all it was a good year, and I have learned a lot about the education system.

We have begun a new Explorer Program in conjunction with Marion County Sheriff's Office. At this time we have five applicants. The program will begin January 2022, we are all excited to see this succeed.

Respectively Submitted
SRO Joe McDonald





SRO REPORT

As of January of 2021 I continued my assignment as the SRO at Grant Withrow, George Washington Elementary, Taft Elementary, and Benjamin Harrison Elementary. During the summer, I was assigned to the Patrol Division as I have every year since becoming an SRO. The new school year began on August 16th and my assignments stayed the same. The only change was that Grant Withrow moved locations to the former Marion Recreating building at 240 W. Church St and the name was changed to the Withrow Equity Center.

My primary responsibility as an SRO is to help provide a safe environment inside the schools and to provide safety from any external sources that might come from outside the school. I work very hard to have good relationships with the students and interact with them in anyway I can. I have joined many classroom activities and have joined many activities on the playgrounds and in the gyms. Some of the things I'm involved in on a regular basis are the Safety City Program, the TAPS Academy, and the Books and Badges Program. I have attended multiple sporting events, school dances, and holiday parties.

Although I do not get involved in basic discipline issues, there are times when I'm asked to assist the staff. These situations would include things like students leaving the building, actively fighting, making threats to staff or other students, damaging property, or committing minor theft offenses. It is very rare that charges are filed during these events, but I usually take the time to try to talk to the student and inform them where this type of behavior might lead in the future if they don't learn from things now. I have also handled multiple custody related issues. Another area where my assistance is needed is in the pick up and drop off car lines. I have dealt with several parking and traffic related issues.

Below is a list of the offenses I investigated in 2021.

- Sex offenses-4
- Assaults-1
- Gun calls-1
- Fights-2
- Drug related calls-2
- Child abuse-1

Respectfully,
SRO Shane Gabriel



Ofc. Shane Gabriel





SRO REPORT

The 2021 school year challenged our educators with how COVID affected the way our schools had to teach their students. COVID affects everyone but the educators accepted the challenge and succeeded.

We were still able to do our Book and Badges program. Second and Seven Foundation donate the books that we read to the elementary grade levels. The students are given a copy of the book to take home so they can follow along. I like to thank the all the students, teachers, canines, and fellow officers who participated to make the program a success.

Music teacher Mrs. Schertzer with McKinley Elementary School put together a very nice Christmas musical performance using students from various grades. It was great to hear the students perform and come together as one before going on Christmas break. Great performance to all who were involved.

I participated in another TAPS program at Grant Middle School. I hope the graduating students of TAPS will take what they learn and apply it to their everyday decision making.

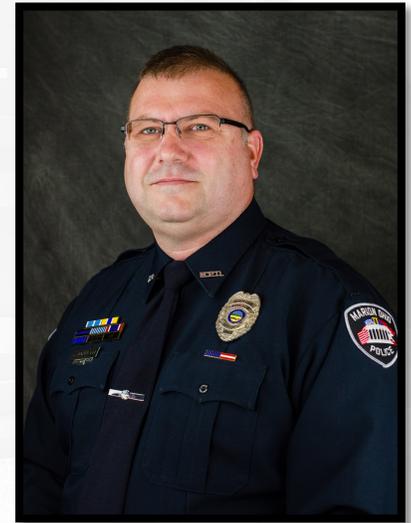
I worked the ESP's in locating and getting students with attendance issues back into the school setting.

Student behavior is still an issue within the schools. Teachers and administrators are doing their best to tackle the inappropriate behavior which I have seen improving as the school year goes on.

Fire, Tornado, and safety evacuations drills are current.

Only two reports for the year were sent to the Marion County Juvenile Prosecutor for review of criminal charges.

Respectfully Submitted,
SRO Todd Monnette



Ofc. Todd Monnette

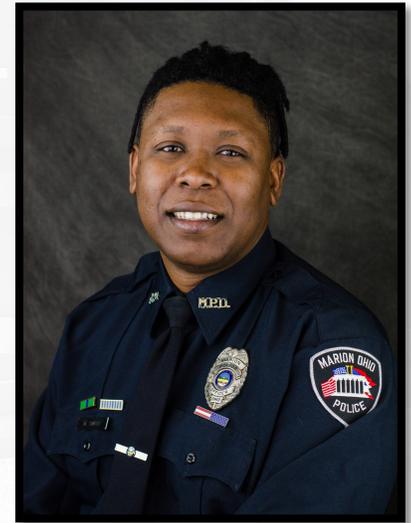




JUVENILE REPORT

The Marion Police Department handled 174 cases during 2021 in which juveniles were either arrested or charges were requested. These cases involved 132 males and 42 females. Of the 174 cases, 147 were filed by the prosecutor's office or sent to Diversion and 27 were closed without filing charges.

Respectfully,
Ofc. M Smith



Officer Montel Smith

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Taken to JDC	73*	46	106	113	111
<i>*JDC and Family Resource Center</i>					
Crimes of Violence					
Felonious Assault	6	3	10	0	0
Assault	18	9	32	56	25
Domestic Violence	18	20	22	26	18
Aggravated Robbery/ Robbery	2	1	13	3	1
Aggravated Menacing/Menacing	10	1	17	13	16
Crimes Against Society					
Disorderly Conduct	13	19	63	94	57
Obstructing Official Business	21	7	12	33	16
Falsification	2	3	0	0	0
Underage Consumption	3	5	5	12	4
Conveyance of Deadly Weapon to School	1	1	1	3	2
Resisting Arrest	6	1	10	5	0
Aggravated Riot/Riot	0	0	0	1	14
Inducing Panic/Making False Alarms	4	1	10	5	7
Juvenile Related Offense					
Unruly, Curfew, or Wayward	29	39	76	69	37
Illegal Use of Tobacco	0	0	0	0	1
Probation Violation	3	3	0	0	0



JUVENILE REPORT

Drug Related Offenses

Possession of Drugs	9	4	4	18	6
Trafficking	1	0	1	0	2
Drug Paraphernalia	0	6	1	6	1

Property Crime

Theft	6	4	26	23	23
Criminal Trespass	2	12	6	14	20
Agg Burglary/Burglary	2	2	5	2	6
Breaking & Entering	8	0	1	6	3
Vandalism	6	1	0	6	7
Criminal Damaging/Mischief	9	11	16	23	18
Receiving Stolen Property	1	0	5	3	5
Agg. Arson/Arson	6	0	0	0	0
Unauthorized Use of Vehicle	9	0	0	0	0

Sex Offenses

Rape	2	3	3	5	4
Gross Sexual Imposition	3	0	1	1	0
Human/ Sex Trafficking	0	1	0	0	0
Pandering Obscenity w/ Minor	8	1	0	0	0
Disseminating Harmful Material	4	0	0	0	0

Traffic Citations

42	17	53	44	44
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K9 UNIT

Lt. Elliott & K9 Six
Det. Lowe & K9 Stash
Lt. Wheeler & K9 Joker



Lt. Mark Elliott

Our numbers are still down compared to 2019 due to COVID restrictions but are slightly higher than 2020.

Our unit had 253 uses in 2021 which is up from 248 uses in 2020.

Our teams assisted 9 other agencies throughout the year with calls ranging from school sniffs, traffic stops, search warrants and tracks. One of the tracks ended with a suspect apprehension/bite.

2021 was another year with COVID restrictions and less opportunity to use our K-9's. Our community support was still incredible and we were able to start going to public events again. We attended over 33 events and it was great to be able to spend time out in the community. We still have what I would consider the most supported K9 Unit in Ohio, if not the country, and every one of our members appreciates that support.

In 2022, I would still like to increase the times our K-9s are used and called out by our department and others. The members of our unit know this is a 24 hour a day, 7 day a week position and want to take every opportunity to help our department and community. We would like to continue conducting K9 demonstrations and public appearances. I would also like to increase the size of our Unit to 3 dual purpose K-9s allowing us to have a team on each shift.

In 2022, we will be switching to new K-9 management software used by the majority of departments in our training group. It will allow us to share information and make logging our training easier.

K-9 Six turns 11 years old in June of 2022 and will be retiring sometime this year. He still hasn't slowed down and wants to work every day but his time as an active K-9 is close to the end. He deserves to retire and live the life of a pet and enjoy his family. For now, he still gets excited to come to work every night.

Lt. Mark Elliott
K-9 Unit Supervisor



K9 UNIT

3/13/21 K-9's Six and Stash escorted River Valley wrestlers to the state wrestling meet.



This year the Marion Rural King began donating food each month for K-9s Joker and Stash.



Thank you!



K9 UNIT

6/24/21 K-9s Six and Joker along with Lt. Elliott and Lt. Wheeler ran the Marion County leg of the Law Enforcement Torch Run to support the Ohio Special Olympics.



8/3/21 All three of our K-9s attended the National Night Out at Grant Middle School.





K9 UNIT

9/13/21 thru 9/17/21 K-9 Six and K-9 Joker attended the yearly week long in-service put on by Storm Dog Tactical. The teams worked large area searches, gunfire drills, legal training and many other areas our K-9 teams encounter while working.

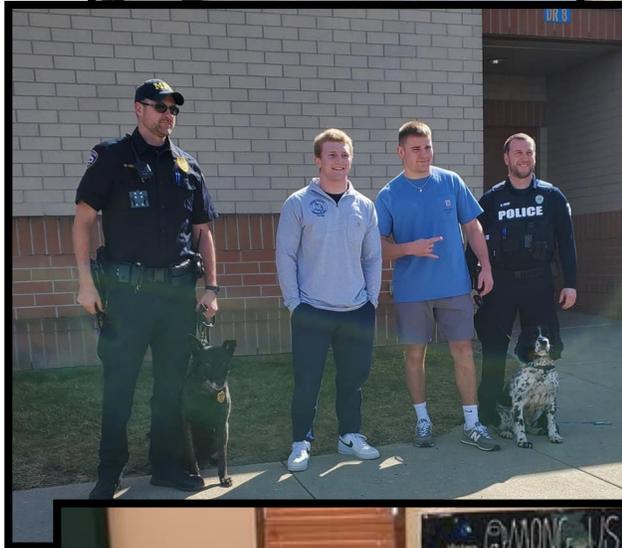


3/16/21 & 10/12/21 All three of our K-9s, both K-9s from the Marion County Sheriffs Office, and several teams from our Storm Dog Tactical training group conducted sniffs at schools in Marion County.





K9 UNIT





LT. K9 SIX

Six had 128 deployments in 2021

1/28/21 K-9 Six was requested by Ofc. R. Kelley. After a positive alert to the vehicle that had been stopped, a pistol was located.

2/11/21 Lt. Elliott and K-9 Six responded to a recovered stolen vehicle that had crashed. After setting a perimeter a track was started. During the track the suspect was located by perimeter units trying to get away. Six tracked to the suspect who had the vehicle keys in his pocket.

2/12/21 K-9 Six was requested by Sgt. Menendez of the Marion Post of the Ohio Highway Patrol. After a positive alert to the vehicle he had stopped a loaded pistol and marijuana was located inside.

3/13/21 K-9 Six escorted Pleasant wrestlers to the state wrestling meet.

6/16/21 Six turned 10 years old.

7/27/21 Six assisted the Marion County Sheriffs Office locate a suspect who had fled after a vehicle pursuit. Six tracked the suspect over a half mile before locating and apprehending him. This was his second apprehension bite.

8/9/21 Six and other officers were involved in a vehicle pursuit where the vehicle crashed and the suspects fled on foot. Six conducted a track that lead to two males walking in the area.

12/6/21 K-9 Six travelled to Granville to assist with school sniffs.



Lt. K9 Six





LT. K9 SIX





K9 STASH

Stash had 11 deployments in 2021

3/22/21 K-9 Stash assisted MARMET with a vehicle search. After a positive alert, crack cocaine was found in the vehicle.

4/13/21 K-9 Stash assisted MARMET Detectives with a search warrant. Stash located crack cocaine, prescription drugs, marijuana and other drug paraphernalia.

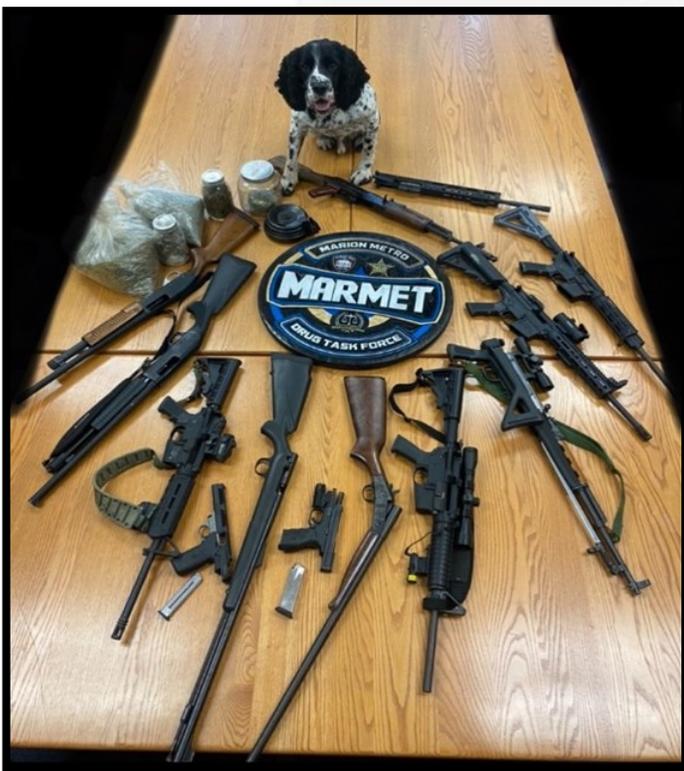
6/8/21 K-9 Stash turned 8 years old.

8/19/21 K-9 Stash assisted in obtaining a search warrant for a storage unit where a large amount of marijuana, firearms and ammunition was located.

8/25/21 Stash was requested to assist with obtaining a search warrant. He alerted to a safe that was later found to obtain marijuana and a firearm.

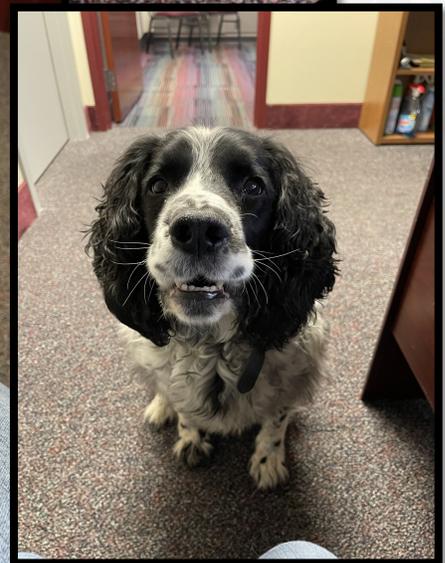
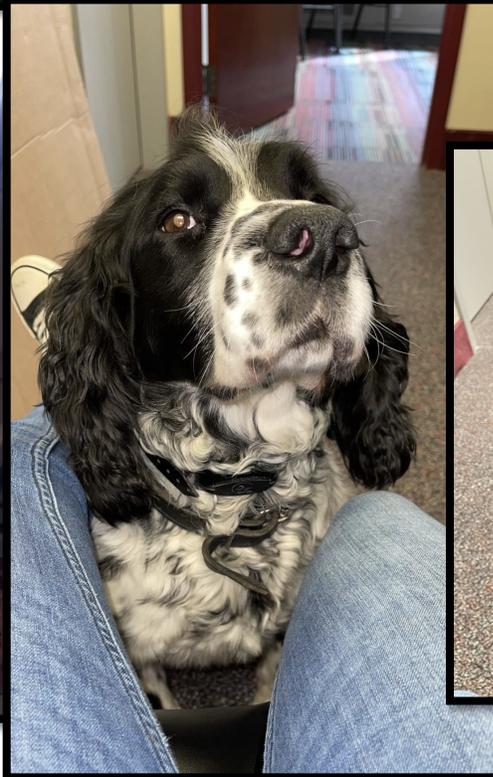
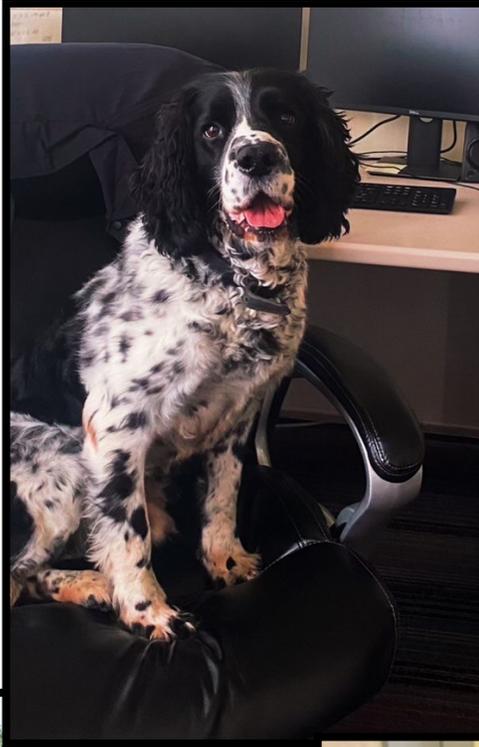


K9 Stash





K9 STASH





K9 JOKER

Joker had 114 deployments in 2021

1/17/21 K-9 Joker was requested by Ofc. R. Kelly. After a positive alert to the vehicle they had stopped, suspected crystal methamphetamine was located.

2/14/21 Lt. Wheeler and K-9 Joker responded to a suspicious person/vehicle call. After a positive alert to the vehicle it was searched and a loaded pistol was located.

4/30/21 K-9 Joker was requested by Ofc. R. Kelly. After a positive alert to the vehicle suspected heroin and other paraphernalia was located in the vehicle.

7/10/21 K-9 Joker was requested by Ofc. Geurkink. After a positive alert to the vehicle it was searched and 173 grams of suspected methamphetamine, a gun, prescription drugs, fentanyl, and other paraphernalia.

8/12/21 K-9 Joker and K-9 Viking from the Sheriff's Office assisted several other officers and deputies with a search for a suspect who lead officers on a lengthy pursuit. The suspect was located hiding in a corn field.

12/8/21 K-9 Joker was requested by Trp. Shellhouse. After a positive alert to the vehicle, methamphetamine was located inside.

12/23/21 K-9 Joker was requested by Ofc. Rostorfer. After a positive alert to the vehicle, it was searched and 11 grams of methamphetamine and heroin was located.



K9 Joker





K9 JOKER





OVI REPORT

2021 was another challenging year due to the Covid-19 pandemic, along with manpower shortages on the streets. In 2021, Officers made 131 OVI arrests, a 16% increase from 2020 and a 28% increase from 2019. Officers of the Marion Police Department are committed to arresting impaired drivers and making the roadways safer.

The 2021 OVI Excellence Award was earned by Officer Ryan Kelly. Off Kelly split his time between 2nd and 3rd shifts last year and made 18 OVI arrests. Off Kelly also has training in detecting “drugged drivers” and aggressively pursues impaired drivers. Lt Musser, Off Barber, Off Flach, and Off Beveridge also made an impact with OVI arrests.



Lt. Rob Musser

Alcohol vs drug impaired driver arrests:

- *2021 73% alcohol impaired and 27% drug impaired
- *2020 67% alcohol impaired and 33% drug impaired

OVI training is a priority. MPD is sending Officers for advanced training in detecting drugged drivers. We are seeing an increase of toxicology results with multiple drug combinations, two of the most common being methamphetamine and fentanyl mixtures.

2021 OVI Highlight

Officer Reese was sent to the area of Vernon Hts Blvd/Mt Vernon Av for a reported drunk driver who was doing donuts in the roadway. Off Reese located the vehicle and got behind it for a traffic stop. When Off Reese exited his cruiser, the driver put the car in gear and took off. A short pursuit with speeds around 60 mph ensued, and the driver eventually pulled over and turned the car off. The female driver was arrested for OVI and Possession of Drugs. The driver was highly impaired and found in possession of methamphetamine. Her toxicology came back positive for both cocaine and methamphetamine. Excellent work, Dylan!

2021 OVI EXCELLENCE AWARD



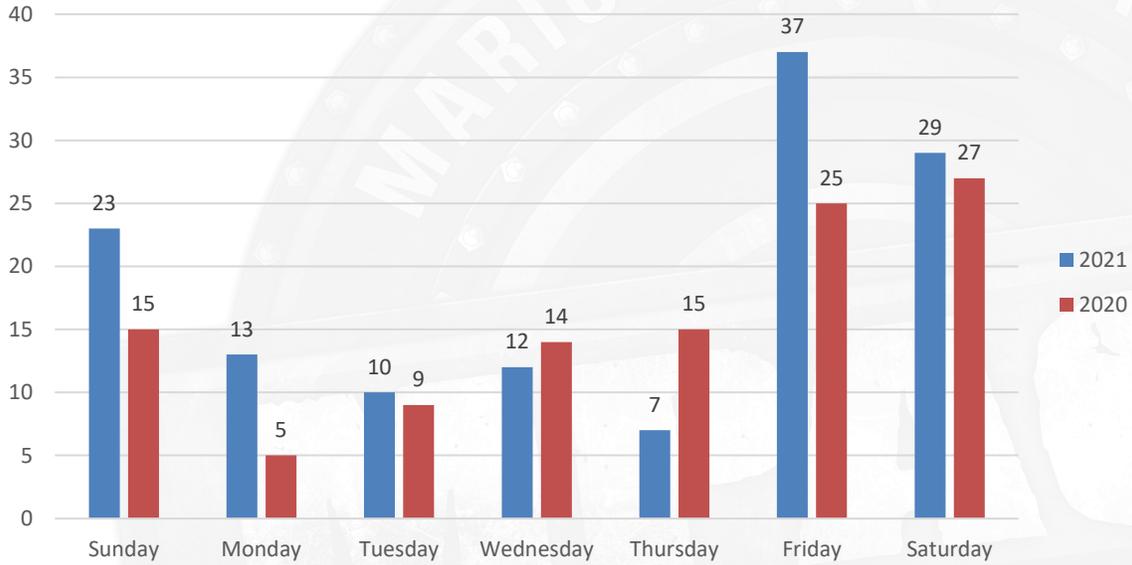
Officer Ryan Kelly #76



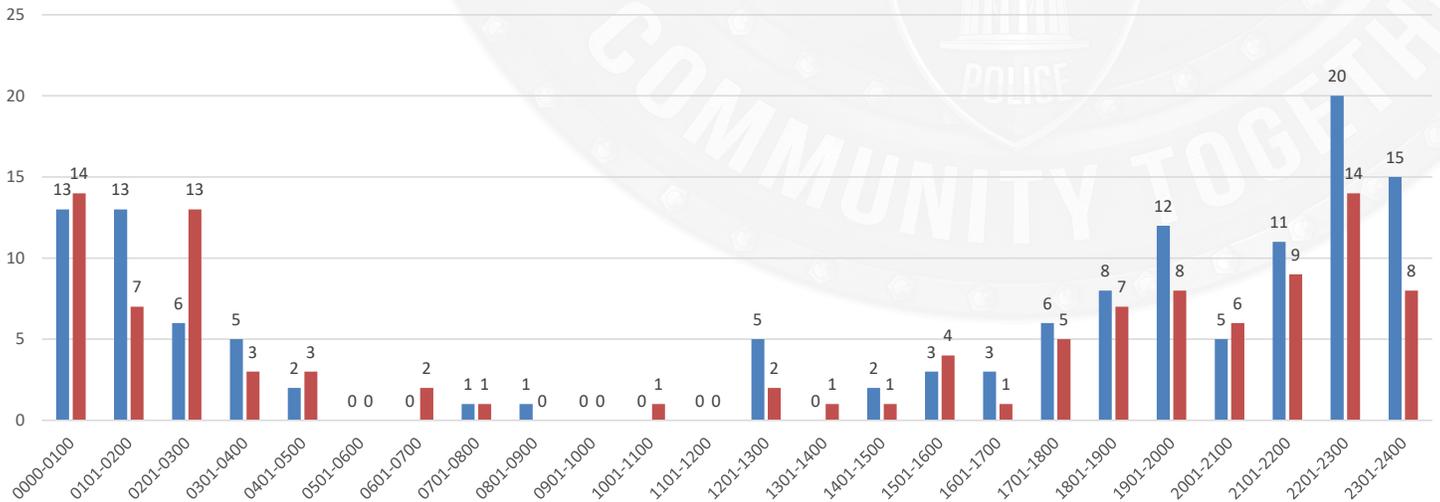


OVI REPORT

Day of Week



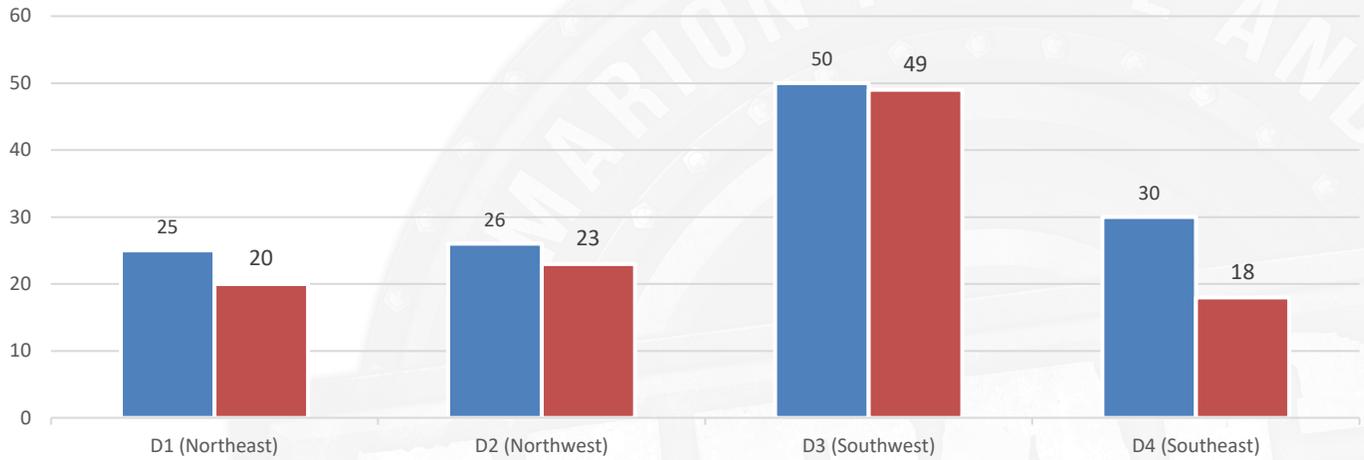
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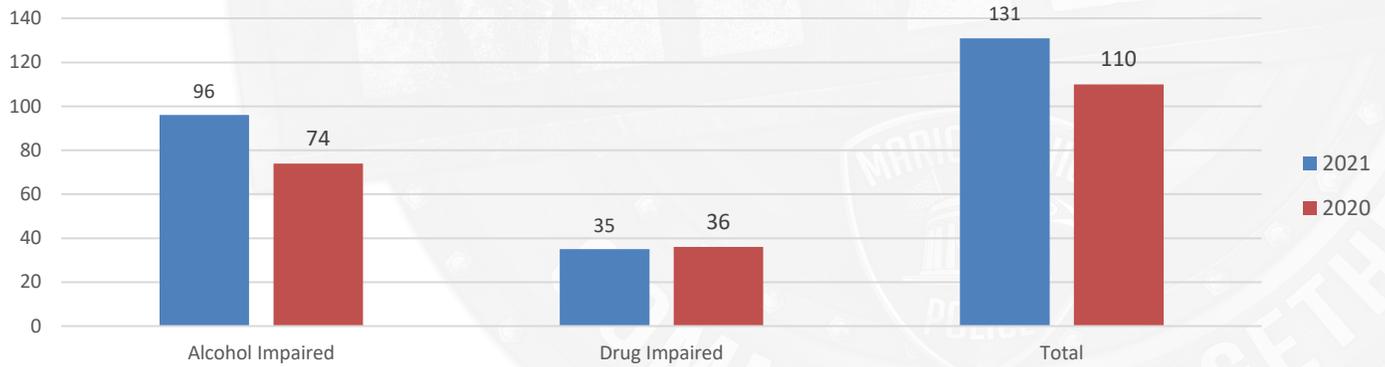


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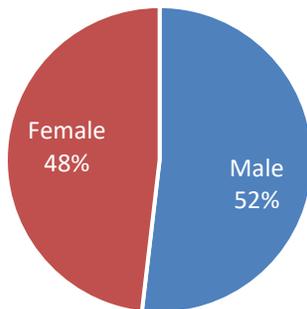
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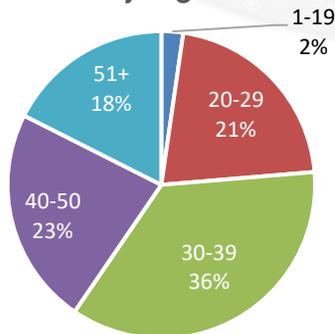
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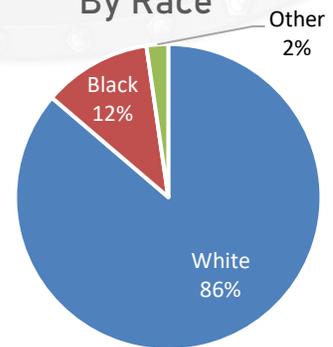
By Gender



By Age



By Race





OVI REPORT

2021 OVI's

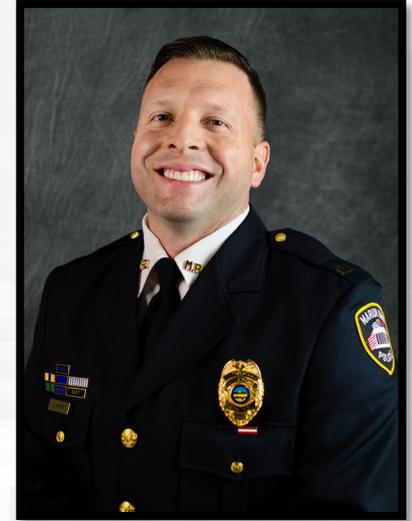
Name	Unit #	Shift	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Radcliff	7	1													0
Shade	11	1													0
Fitsko	13	3													0
Marsh	15	2													0
Elliott	17	3				1		1	3						5
Musser	18	2	1		4	1	3			1			1		11
Harris	19	1					1								1
Robinson	48	2					1								1
Wheeler	49	3		1			1		1		1			1	5
Kindell	46	3			1										1
Isom	27	3													0
Ice	29	3													0
Esterline	38	1													0
Gery	41	1													0
Diem	43	1													0
B.Thomas	45	3	1			1		1							3
McDonald, Joe	50	1				1									1
Jagger	52	2													0
Coburn	55	2											1	1	2
Reese	56	2			1	2	1		3						7
May	60	2	1		1	1							1	1	5
Cochell	63	3													0
Walter	57	1		1											1
Bischoff	65	1													0
Combs	66	1												1	1
Flach	68	2			3	1		1				1		2	8
Kelley, D.	69	3			1									1	2
Benroth	70	2	1					1							2
Walker	71	3		1				2	2	1				1	7
Geurkink	72	3	2				3					1			6
Barber	73	2	1	3		1	3	1	1						10
Rector	74	2	1	1				1		1	1			2	7
Galyk	75	2			1	1	2		2						6
Kelly, R.	76	3	1	3	1	4		1	3	3	1		1		18
Scheff	77	2	1	1	1		1								4
Greer	78								1	1	1	1			4
Beveridge	80					2	3	1	1			1			8
Davis	81										2				2
Rostorfer	85												1	2	3
Totals			10	11	14	16	19	10	17	7	6	4	5	12	131

*List does not include officers and supervisors whose primary job is not on Patrol.



SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM REPORT

The Marion City Police Department Special Response Team (SRT) is comprised of seven full time sworn peace officers from the Marion City Police Department. These officers have received intensive training and received certification in the use of special weaponry and tactics. The Special Response Team was established to provide specialized support in handling rapidly evolving operations where intense negotiations and/or special tactical deployment methods beyond the capacity of field officers appears to be necessary. The Marion City Police Department Special Response Team is under the direct supervision of the Chief of Police of the Marion City Police Department.



Lt. Josh Harris

SRT Team Members

Beginning January 1, the primary focus of the years training was to streamline the training and operational services of the Marion City Police Department Special Response Team (SRT) and the Marion County Sheriff's Office Counter Assault Team (CAT). This venture was decided upon by the Marion City Police Department Chief of Police, Jay McDonald and the Marion County Sheriff, Matt Bayles. The team positions still remained separate during this time but the two teams trained together throughout the year to improve readiness. Lieutenant Mike Wheeler of the Marion County Sheriff's Office oversaw the Marion County Sheriff's Office CAT Team and Lieutenant Josh Harris and Lieutenant Richard Wheeler oversaw the operations for the Marion City Police Department SRT Team.

No additional team members were added to the Special Response Team during the calendar year of 2021. At the completion of the merger with the Marion County Sheriff's Office, additional team members will be added. During 2021, three team members resigned from their position on the special response team.

Vehicles

The Marion City Police Department Special Response Team has two vehicles that are primarily used during operations. The Marion City Police Department has a retired transit bus that is not equipped with any ballistic panels. The maintenance of this vehicle is overseen by Fleet Manager Jerry Parker.

The second vehicle is the Marion City Police Department TRV. With the assistance of Lieutenant Marsh this vehicle was awarded to the Marion City Police Department in 2014 from the United States Government, specifically the Department of Defense. The vehicle was obtained at no cost through the government 1033 program. Lieutenant Marsh currently oversees the operation of this vehicle outside of specific SRT functions.

The TRV is an armored vehicle on a six-wheel base. The vehicles high stature provides the ability for it to pass through high water easily and proved itself critical in rescuing stranded motorists during flooding within the city of Marion in September of 2020.



SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM REPORT

Operator Assignment and Specialty Training

OFFICER RANK AND NAME	ASSIGNMENT	SPECIALTY TRAINING
Lieutenant Josh Harris	Team Leader	Precision Rifle/Breacher
Lieutenant Mark Elliott	Team Leader	K9 Six / Shotgunner
Lieutenant Jared Robinson	Operator	Entry Team / Grenadier
Officer Bret Thomas	Operator	Entry Team
Officer Joe McDonald	Operator	Entry Team / Precision Rifle
Officer Justin May	Operator	Entry Team / Grenadier / Breacher
Officer Mason Bischoff	Operator	Exterior Team



Photo from left to right: Lt. Josh Harris, Ofc. Joe McDonald, Ofc. Bret Thomas, Ofc. Mason Bischoff, Ofc. Matt Creps, Ofc. Sam Walter, Ofc. Richard Wheeler, Ofc. Justin May, Lt. Mark Elliott, Lt. Jared Robinson Front: Lt. Six (K9)

Yearly Team Training

The Marion City Police Department Special Response Team conducts twelve scheduled training days at 10 hours each. These training days are scheduled one per month and at the end of the year this establishes 120 hours of total team training. Through the year, two primary training locations were used. The Marion County Airport hangar and the East Group Training Facility.

The E.A.S.T. Group Training Facility is a training location that has two outdoor shooting ranges, a classroom location and a live fire shoot house. The firearms training for the year was approved by Lt. Harris and Lt. Mike Wheeler and closely ran by Lieutenant Elliott, Lieutenant Richard Wheeler, and Deputy Brett Rinker.



SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM REPORT

Through the year, team members attended additional training outside of the standard monthly training. That training included Basic SWAT, Critical Incident Training (CIT), Less Lethal Munition instructor certification, and the Ohio Tactical Officer's Association Conference. Additional training completed during the year totaled 306 hours. This brought the teams accumulative training for 2021 to 426 hours.

In February, Deputy Marburger and Medic Williams instructed a team training on Tactical Emergency Medical training. The training reviewed how to treat and assess massive trauma and ways to treat those injuries.

For the monthly training in April, Lieutenant Wheeler of MCSO instructed the team with their yearly Less Lethal, NFDD, and Chemical Weapons class room and recertification. This was an 8-hour class room and range time course.

Officer Mason Bischoff and Detective Sam Walter both attended their Basic SWAT School from April 26th to April 30th at the Westlake Ohio Police Department. This training was a week-long 40-hour course.

In June, the team members of the Marion City Police Department and the Marion County Sheriff's Office took part in the Law Enforcement Torch Run. This is a yearly event and the proceeds go toward the Special Olympics. This particular leg of the run started at the Marion City Police Department and ended at the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

Lt. Harris and Officer May attended the Ohio Tactical Officer's Association (OTOA) training conference from June 7th through June 10th. The conference was held in Sandusky, Ohio. Officer May attended training which made him the newest Less Lethal and Chemical Munitions instructor. Lieutenant Mike Wheeler and Officer May are both Less Lethal instructors and oversaw the team's training on this topic throughout 2021.

In June, the team members of the Marion City Police Department SRT Team and the Marion County Sheriff's Office CAT Team took part in the Law Enforcement Torch Run. This is a yearly event and the proceeds are donated to the Special Olympics. This year each participant's entry fee was paid for by the Steve Young Memorial Lodge #24. This particular leg of the run started at the Marion City Police Department and ended at the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

As of June 30, 2021, Detective Creps has chosen to step away from the Special Response Team. Detective Creps had joined the Special Response Team in 2013. During this time, he played a vital role in the development and furtherance of the team's operational capabilities. We thank Detective Creps for his time of service and dedication to this unit. Thank you, Detective Creps for your years of dedication, service, and commitment to this team and to the City of Marion.

As of September 5, 2021, Lieutenant Richard Wheeler also decided to step away from the Marion City Police Department Special Response Team. Lieutenant Wheeler had joined the team as Officer Wheeler in 2016. During his time on the team Lieutenant Wheeler had been promoted to Lieutenant, held the position of Precision Rifle Operator Instructor, and had been recently appointed to a Team Leader. We thank



SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM REPORT

Lieutenant Wheeler for his time and dedication to this team over the last few years. Thank you, Lieutenant Wheeler for your years of dedication, service, and commitment to this team and to the City of Marion.

As of November 11, 2021, Detective Sam Walter resigned from the Marion City Police Department and accepted a Federal law enforcement position with the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS). Detective Walter joined the Marion City Police Department Special Response Team on October of 2016. During his time on the team, he played a vital role as the teams Tactical Emergency Medical Support (TEMS) individual. Detective Walter was originally hired at the Marion City Police Department on August 10, 2015. He left the department for a brief time and returned in February of 2019. He returned to the team when he returned to the department. Thank you, Detective Walter for your years of dedication, service, and commitment to this team and to the City of Marion.

October 18th through 22nd, we had five team members from MCSO AND MPD attend Crisis Intervention Training (CIT). This training provides officers with the knowledge skill set to better handled individual's when they are experiencing an emotional or mental crisis. The training was a week long and consisted of 40 hours of classroom work. The following attended this training: Lieutenant Jared Robinson, Officer Bret Thomas, Officer Mason Bischoff, Deputy Jesse Allen, and Detective Sam Walter.

Yearly Activations

In 2021, the Marion Special Response Team had a total of 11 activations in the Marion County. This is an increase of one activation from 2020. All of the activations in 2021 encompassed the Marion City SRT Team and the Marion County CAT Team. The following is a brief overview of the dates and additional information from those activations:

January 22, 2021 – 389 Mary Street and 384 Mary Street had search warrants done simultaneously at the request of the MARMET Drug Task Force. A knock and announce search warrant was completed at both.

January 27, 2021 - 208 Lincoln Avenue after the report of a shooting at this location. Less lethal chemical munitions were deployed into the location and after a brief stand off the suspects inside the home were located without incident.

July 31, 2021 – 1315 Crescent Heights Road for the report of an active domestic involving a weapon which had evolved into a barricade subject. The Marion City SRT Team and Marion County CAT Team members responded along with the Marion City Police Department Hostage Negotiations Team (HNT).

After a throw phone was deployed into the home the hostage negotiators on site were able to speak to the male. After he stopped speaking to negotiators, he was located and taken into custody without incident by members of the Marion SRT Team, Marion CAT Team and Marion PD patrol units.

A search of the home yielded the firearm he was in possession of and large amount of ammunition. He was arrested for Domestic Violence, Aggravated Menacing, Obstructing Official Business, Weapons While Intoxicated, and Having Weapons Under Disability.



SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM REPORT

August 3, 2021 – 1001 Fairwood Avenue to assist the MARMET Drug Task Force with a knock and announce search warrant at this location.

August 11, 2021 - Larue Prospect Road for the report of a barricaded suspect. Once the two teams arrived, a search of the house was conducted. Just prior to this, two of the four individuals inside the home had come out. Inside the home two additional occupants were located. Located inside was a runaway 16-year-old female, two adult males and one adult female. One of the males was a registered sex offender who had absconded and failed to report his new address.

August 19, 2021 – Larue Green Camp Road for the report of a suicidal male who was barricaded inside his residence. The barricaded incident had stemmed from a domestic which had taken place at the same location. The male was reportedly inside, intoxicated and in possession of a rifle. After gun shots were heard coming from inside the home, the MCSO robot was used to make entry into the home. The male was located with a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head. He was still conscious and in need of medical attention. The SRT/CAT members made entry into the home and located him. He was transported from the scene by medics and transferred to a trauma center.

August 25, 2021 - Columbus Sandusky Road South for the report of a male firing a weapon at a deputy in the area. MCSO and MPD were also assisted by members of the Ohio State Highway Patrol SRT team who had been in the area. The suspect was located at this address by one of those OSP units. He was apprehended behind this location hiding in a corn field. He sustained multiple self-inflicted gunshot wounds to his leg. He was treated at the scene by CAT Team medics and then transported to MGH by medics. The investigation resulted in connecting the male to multiple vehicle thefts which had taken place throughout the night. He was in possession of a handgun that had also been reported stolen through the Marion City Police Department the day before. He also had a stolen 30-06 rifle which he had obtained through the night during the burglaries. Once he was released from Marion General Hospital, he was taken to Multi County Jail for formal charges.

October 28, 2021 - The Marion City Special Response Team and the Marion County Counter Assault Team assisted the MARMET Drug Task Force in serving two of three knock and announce search warrants. One team executed a search the warrant at Matheny Avenue and the team other executed a search warrant at Whetstone River Road North. A third location was completed by MARMET detectives. This was on South Main Street in Caledonia. These three warrant services were done simultaneously.

MARMET seized the following:

- 170.7 grams of suspected Methamphetamine
- 335.1 grams of suspected Marijuana
- Suspected Ecstasy pills
- 9 firearms
- \$3,337.00 in cash was also seized

December 8, 2021 – The MCSO CAT team and Marion SRT teams assisted the MARMET Drug Task Force with a search warrant at Creston Avenue. Two individuals were taken into custody as a result of the warrant.



SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM REPORT

MARMET Drug Task Force recovered suspect Ecstasy, Fentanyl, and Cocaine. Brushaun Baker and Latoy Hodges both from Chicago, Illinois were taken to Multi County and charged with being in possession of illegal drugs.

December 17, 2021 - The Marion SRT Team and the Marion County CAT Team assisted the MARMET Drug Task Force while serving a search warrant in connection with the sale of illegal narcotics. Taken into custody was Deante Ford and Nathaniel Rice, both of Marion.

MARMET seized the following:

- 61.6 grams of suspected cocaine
- 107 Percocet pills
- 3.7 grams of crack cocaine
- 11.2 grams of suspected fentanyl
- 226 Grams of suspected marijuana
- \$5,526.00 dollars was seized
- In total 10 firearms were seized.
- Advancement training into 2022

In 2021, the focus was to combine training and resources in order to stream line processes and operational readiness of both departments. We hope to continue to build off of the successes from 2021 and carry them into 2022.

The East Group Training Facility will continue to be used as the year progresses and a special focus will be made on performing mock operations. Specifically, those operations that involve the use of a Hostage Negotiations Team/Crisis Team.

An additional personnel vehicle is being added to our fleet and this will be used as a transport vehicle and a mobile command center.

Two additional Precision Rifle Operations will be added to the teams into 2022 and they will attend Basic Sniper School.

The Marion City Police Department has approved for five officers to attend the Ohio Tactical Officers Association (OTOA) conference. This has not yet been scheduled. It is our hope that the ongoing issues with COVID-19 subside and the team members can attend this beneficial critical training.

The Special Response Team currently has seven members, at this time there are openings for additional team member.

Respectfully submitted,
Lieutenant Josh Harris
Team Leader



CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Many great things happened this year in the community. We created a group named Love our Neighborhoods. This group focused on certain areas of the city to clean up. It was decided we would be conducting eight clean ups for this year beginning in March and ending in October.

We created this group as a result of a successful pilot program last year. We conducted a few small cleans ups and found that the people in the communities wanted their neighborhoods free of trash and litter. The residents participated and began helping others clean their properties. The community came together and several volunteers showed up to help.

During these clean-ups, we had hundreds of volunteers participate. Volunteers came from local businesses and high school students. The employer would allow their employees to attend the clean ups and still get paid. We had several businesses donate to the group. These donations were used for food and materials during the clean ups.

This program was very successful this year. We were able to remove 310 tons of trash/litter and 14.11 tons of brush from these areas. A total of 2,047 scrap tires were collected and many junk motor vehicles were removed. We will be continuing this program next year. Our goal is to find different areas in the city that need our attention and help the citizens there.

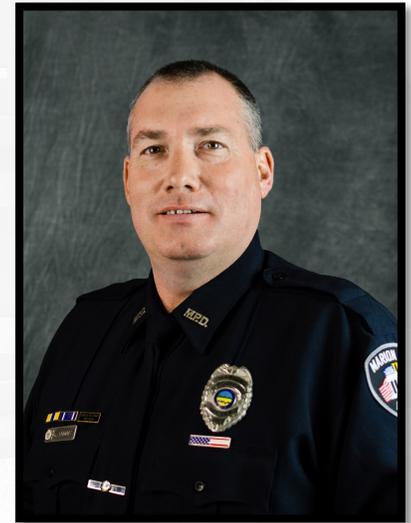
Our group also planned two free tire drop offs for city residents. The first one was conducted in April at Lincoln Park. The residents had to show proper identification to drop the scrap tires off. A total of 2,070 scrap tires were collected. The second drop off was held at Swayers-Ludwig Park in October. A total of 1200 scrap tires were collected. This was successful and we will be doing the free tire drop off next year.

I was able to get a grant for the next two years through the EPA to dispose of scrap tires found on city property or the city right of way. I have been able to collect 2,466 scrap tires from city property. If we did not have this grant, the city would have had to pay to get rid of these tires. The price to get rid of one passenger tire is \$3.50. This grant has saved the city of Marion around \$8,600.00.

I was able to attend several county land bank meetings this year. I was concerned because I have found many properties that have caught fire and needed demolished. These properties were brought to the attention of the land bank hoping they would take control of property and remedy the blighted property. This is a lengthy process, and only some have been demolished this year.

This past year I have been getting complaints frequently from officers and citizens about vacant unsecured houses. Back in January and February I was able to work with city employees and board up these houses. A total for 70 houses were secured this year.

I received many complaints this year, but again I was able to be more proactive and working areas that have junk motor vehicles on private properties. I was not able to work many complaints during the last four months of the year due to a manpower issue within the department. With that being said, my total



Ofc. Casey Thomas



CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

calls for service were 762. I ended up issuing 30 citations for a variety of code violations. The total amount of automobiles, campers, trailers and boats removed or brought back into compliance was 443.

Vehicles Removed/ In-Compliance		Tires Removed	
2021	2020	2021	2020
443	534	7637	4094

The total amount of scrap tires collected between free tire drop offs, found in city right of way and clean ups was 7,637. This was an increase of over 3,500 scrap tires from last year.

I've received many compliments this past year from residents and how this city needed a group like "Love your Neighborhoods" to help clean up properties and neighborhoods that need it. Officers and residents emailed or called me telling me how the city is looking cleaner. I truly believe this program is making a difference in our community. If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,
Officer Casey Thomas



INTERNAL AFFAIRS REPORT

The Internal Affairs function of the Marion City Police Department was established to register, records, and investigate complaints made against members of the Marion City Police Department. It is the policy and goal of the Marion Police Department to promptly investigate and make a finding concerning all allegations of misconduct by members of the Department.

All investigations of alleged misconduct by a member shall result in a finding as follows:

Unfounded- When the investigation discloses that the alleged acts did not occur or did not involve department members. Complaints that are determined to be frivolous will fall within the classification of unfounded.

Proper Conduct- When the investigation discloses that the alleged act occurred but that the act was justified, lawful and/or proper.

Insufficient Evidence- When the investigation discloses that there is insufficient evidence to sustain the complaint or fully exonerate the member.

Improper Conduct- When the investigation discloses sufficient evidence to establish that the act occurred and that it constitutes misconduct.

Internal Affairs investigations are initiated by either a citizen's complain (external) or by a department complain (internal).

During 2021, a total of 29 complaints were investigated. Internally, 26 complaints were made and, externally, citizens made up three complaints. This is an increase of 45% in total officer complaints from 2020.

The following outlines the results of the internal affairs investigations for 2021:

	Internal Complaint	External Complaint
Unfounded Complaints	1	0
Proper Conduct	0	1
Insufficient Evidence	0	1
Improper Conduct	25	1
Total	26	3



Major Chris Adkins



INTERNAL AFFAIRS REPORT

In cases that warranted personnel action, the following actions were taken:

	Internal Complaint	External Complaint
Counseling	13	0
Written Reprimand	4	0
Suspension	8	1
Demotion	0	0
Termination	0	0
Total	25	1

Respectfully,
Major Chris Adkins



GRIEVANCE REPORT

During 2021, there was one grievance filed. A brief description and disposition of it is as follows:

GR 21.01- Filed by the FOP-OLC Blue Unit on behalf of a member. The grievance was denied after Step 2 by Chief McDonald after a claim on discrimination was filed under section 5.1 as it relates to the Covid vaccine. The grievance was dropped by the FOP-OLC Union.

There was also only one grievance filed in 2020. This is evidence of good working relationship between the officers and the administrative and we look forward to continuing this atmosphere of teamwork and solving our disputes in a professional manner in the coming years.

Respectfully,
Major Chris Adkins



Major Chris Adkins



USE OF FORCE REPORT

At the start of 2021, the administration of the Marion Police Department implemented a strict adherence to the policy in reporting of use of force. Our policy defines force as the application of physical techniques or tactics, chemical agents, or weapons to another person. It is not a use of force when a person allows him/herself to be searched, escorted, handcuffed, or restrained. Previously, grabbing someone and placing the hands behind their back with a very minimal amount of force did not trigger a use of force report or investigation into that force. In 2021, that change was made to adhere to our existing policy.

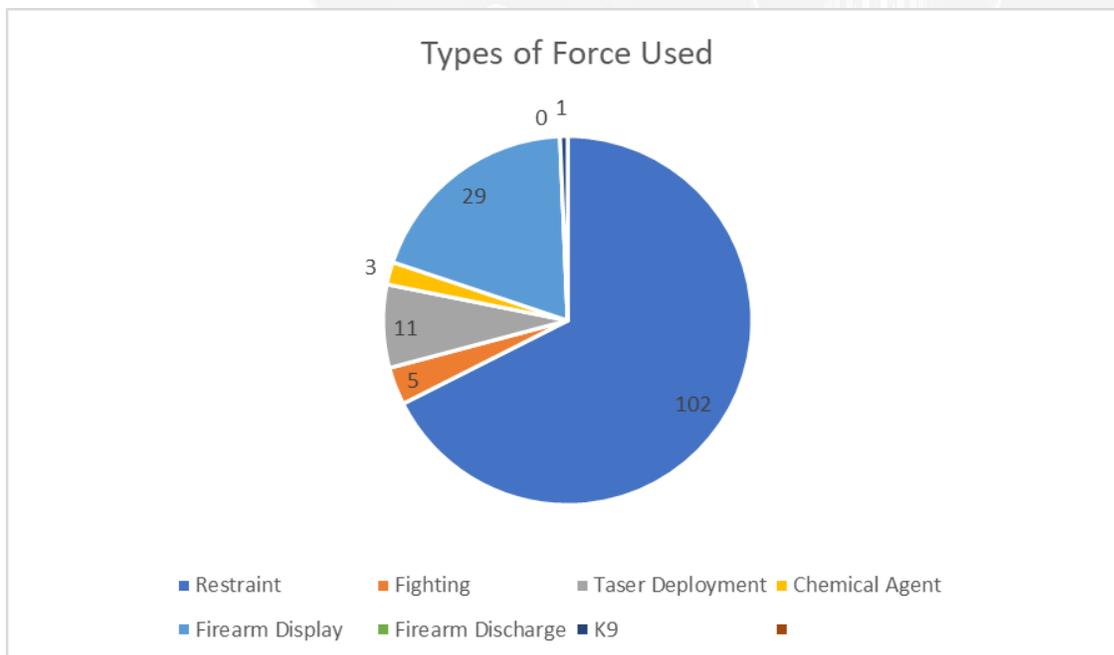


Chief Jay McDonald

The Use of Force policy of the Marion Police Department requires that a written report be completed every time there is a use of force on anyone or the discharge of a firearm. Every use of force report is then investigated by the officer's supervisor, reviewed by supervisor's Major, and then reviewed again by the Chief of Police. In 2021, we had 151 uses of force. 150 of them followed our use of force policy. Internal discipline and corrective training were mandated in the one instance outside of the policy.

There were no firearm discharge instances in 2021.

Below is a summary of the Uses of Force for 2021:





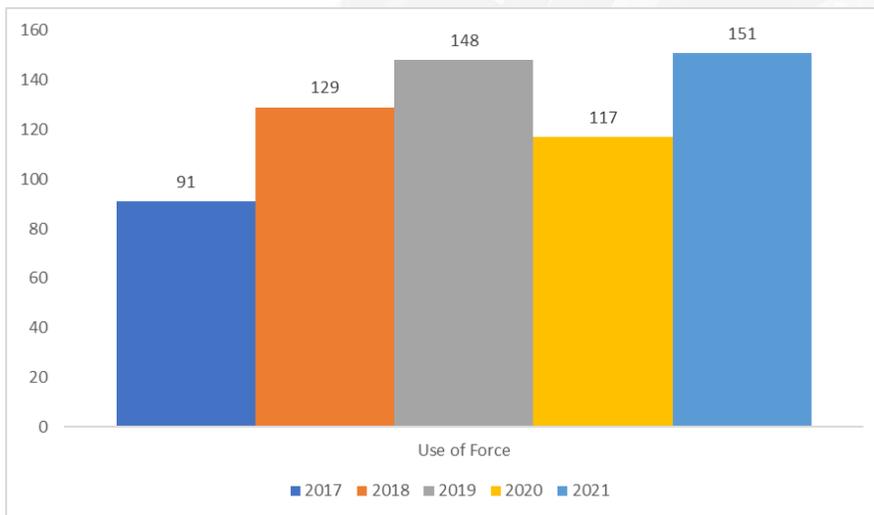
USE OF FORCE REPORT

The overall numbers of use of force instances are slightly higher in 2021 than they were in 2020 but are virtually identical to the number of instances in 2019.

Respectfully,
Chief Jay McDonald



Chief Jay McDonald





VEHICLE PURSUIT REPORT

The Marion Police Department engaged in 10 vehicle pursuits in 2021, the same number of pursuits that occurred in 2020.

By policy, all vehicle pursuits are documented in a pursuit report that is reviewed by the command staff for policy violations. Of the 10 pursuits reported, three had minor violations and resulted in retraining for the officers and no discipline was required.

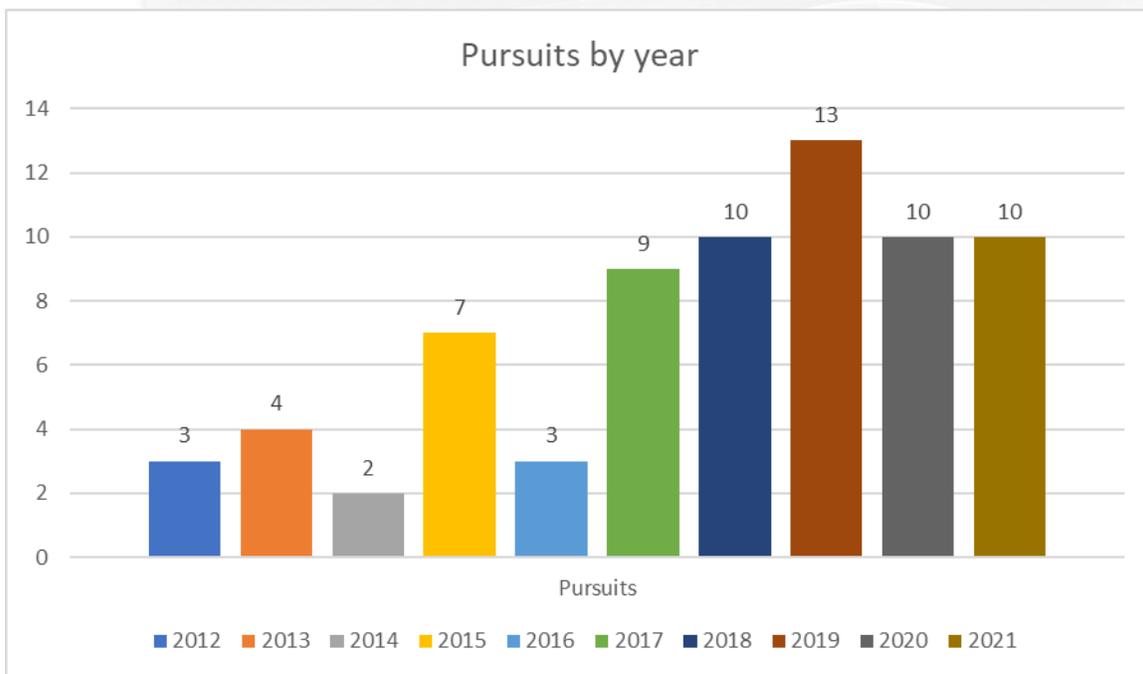
No citizens or officers were injured, nor were any department-owned vehicles damaged as a result of these pursuits.

The Marion Police Department has a very strict pursuit policy which leads to very few pursuits, and safety of the public and officers is the number one concern. Additionally, all officers with the department receive annual training on the policy.



Chief Jay McDonald

Respectfully,
Chief Jay McDonald





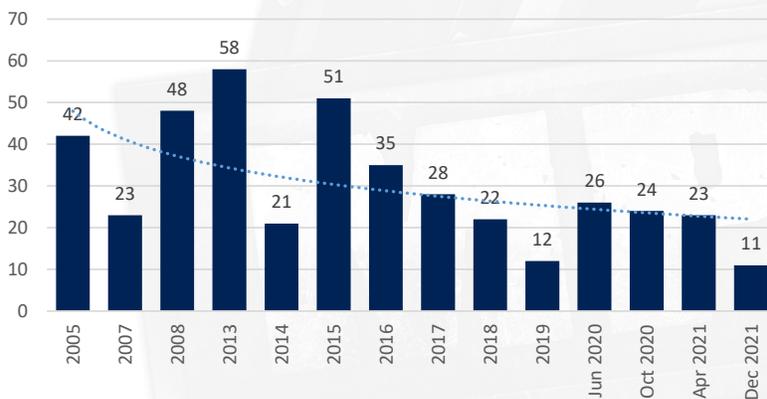
RECRUITING AND HIRING REPORT

The average number of applicants per cycle at the Marion Police Department since 2005 is 30. Of the applications received, some do not qualify because of missing paperwork, failing the physical agility, or for some other reason that they are disqualified before the Civil Service Commission forwards names to us to interview. For example, in October of 2020, we had 24 applications, but only had 11 people to interview after all was said and done.



Major Jon Shaffer

APPLICATIONS FOR POLICE OFFICER



Overall, police applications are down nationwide with no end in sight. According to Sgt. Natalie Davis who was cited in an article by the [New York Times](#), “St. Paul, Minn., received 178 applications” in 2021 which was “down about half from the 366 received in 2016.” A [CNN article](#) from October of 2021, indicated that it’s not just a police problem, but rather a problem for many companies in the U.S. According to that article, the National Association of Business Economics (NABE) “found that nearly half — 47% — of respondents to its Business Conditions Survey reported a shortage of skilled workers in the third quarter. That’s up from 32% reporting shortages in the second quarter of the year, which already was too high for comfort. And nobody thinks the labor shortages will just disappear as 2021 turns to 2022.”

According to an article regarding a Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) report cited in a [Police1](#) in 2021, “the applicant shortage is not a short-term issue that can be resolved by agencies relying solely on traditional recruitment methods to fill the ranks.”

What we have done to increase our applicant pool prior to 2021:

- Lateral hiring: We implemented certain lateral hiring policies to include a higher wage if the person has previous experience as a full-time police officer in Ohio. This also includes higher vacation accrual sooner.
- National Testing Network (NTN): Applicants can take the test from many different places, including online and many different States.



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- **Agility:** For those already OPOTC-certified, the agility standard was lowered. The applicants have already proven they can do the physical demands of the job when they completed the academy. For those who do not have the academy, they would go at the City's expense, so it is important they can do the minimum requirements. We also have two different dates for applicants to take the agility. We have officers working with us now who failed the first day but came back and passed everything the second time. Without the second opportunity, they would have needed to begin the process all over again.
- **Website:** Within the last couple of years, we have updated the PD website with a lot more information for prospective candidates. When we are accepting applications, we update it with the most current information. <http://marionohiopolice.com/join/>
- **Flyer:** We created a professional flyer to handout that shares many of the same things as the website.
- **Recruiting video:** We contracted with Ten Peak Media to help create a recruiting video. It turned out very professional and shows a glimpse of what our officers do at MPD. A shorter version was also played on the Community Advertising Network (CAN) in local businesses. <https://vimeo.com/480722898>
- **Job fairs:** We have participated in job fairs when restrictions allowed. This included purchasing professional looking items for that purpose, such as a tablecloth and side banners.
- **Academy instructors:** Instructors at the Marion Technical College Police Academy are one of our best sources for drawing in applicants. Chief McDonald, Major Adkins, Major Gruber, Lt. Radcliff, and Lt. Elliott all do a great job of promoting MPD as a career destination.
- **Facebook/Twitter:** Because so many people are on social media, in addition to passing along information to the community, these posts help show applicants what MPD is about.
- **Billboard:** We have been given free use of the downtown digital billboard by Mike Zucker.

What we did in 2021:

In 2021, we completed many of the same recruiting efforts that we had in the past and added to it. For this last cycle of recruiting in 2021, Lt. Ed Brown made an effort to contact every police academy in the State of Ohio (45 in total). He shared the recruiting flyer and general information about MPD. Former Marion PD officer Brian Liston shared a photo of the flyer hanging on a bulletin board at Butler Tech near Cincinnati.

During the same time frame, it was found that three of the colleges with academies have virtual job boards through collegecentral.com, including Marion Technical College, Owens Community College and Clark State Community College. Accounts were set up on this and the posting was created. Marion Technical College hosted a virtual Job and Internship Fair that we also participated in. On November 3rd, the online job boards for all three schools was updated. On December 14th, with the new job posting was placed on the virtual job boards at MTC, OCC and CSCC by Lt. Brown.



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Contact was made by Lt. Brown with iHeart Media and radio spots were purchased to be aired ten times a week on both WMRN and WYNT, the two FM radio stations that service the Marion and surrounding areas. The radio spots aired between December 15 and January 17, 2022.

Some additional ideas that have been discussed include:

- More outreach: According to a Dolan Consulting Group training from 2019, current officers they surveyed with less than five years on the job would have chosen careers in the business field, medical field, at a fire department, in the military or in education if they had not become an officer. It may be beneficial to reach out to more people at universities, churches, and other groups along the alternate career lines.
- Streamline the application process: Our current application process is completely done by paper, except that applicants can email a photocopy of their application to the HR Clerk. With the technology available, it would be beneficial to make the process of applying easier through an online portal.
- Restart the Explorer/Cadet program: While the last Explorer program several years ago did not produce any officers, it has in the past for the Marion County Sheriff's Office. Current MPD Officer Ryan Kelly, who was initially at the SO, was also an Explorer there. There are others over the years who also started as an Explorer and became an officer, deputy, or trooper. As of January 2022, this program has been revamped and will hopefully continue to grow in 2022 and beyond.
- Increase or remove the maximum age for applicants: We have explored this thought in the past for applicants. Currently, applicants must be under 35 years old. The age is set by ORC but can be adjusted by City Council.
- Sign-on bonus: Officers could have more incentive to recruit applicants if they would receive a small bonus for each applicant who was hired as an officer and remained for a certain time. Additionally, it was suggested to have a sign-on bonus for new hires. They could receive a bonus when hired and if they remain past a certain date. These are ideas that have been implemented in other jurisdictions around the country.
- Additional instructors for MTC: It is expensive to send MPD personnel to instructor school but probably worthwhile to have more officers who can teach at the local academy. At the very least, it will be important to maintain the number of instructors going forward.

At the end of 2021 and beginning of 2022, we started a recruitment team that is comprised of Lt. Richard Wheeler, Lt. Ed Brown, and Officers Dena Benroth, Caleb Rector, Corey Galyk, and Ryan Kelly. Lt. Wheeler volunteered to lead this effort and we will continue to try to build these efforts into 2022.

Respectfully,
Major Jon Shaffer



TRAINING REPORT

Training is vital to the growth of any organization and any person in that organization. The Marion Police Department is committed to offering relevant and timely training to its officers and employees.

Some of the roadblocks normally include funding and staffing. Funding was not an issue in 2021. We were fortunate to have been provided the funding needed to send employees to training. The main issue for 2021 and years prior was providing for coverage in the Patrol division to send officers to training. With Patrol already being short on officers due to a larger than normal number in field training or attending the police academy, it made it more difficult in 2021.

In March of 2021, the police department held two annual training days in conjunction with the Marion County Sheriff's Office. The topics of this training included:

- Annual Use of Force & Firearms Policy—Lt. Mark Elliott
- Annual Taser Refresher—Lt. Mark Elliott
- Courtroom Prep & Testimony/Mock Trial—Marion County Assistant Prosecutor Bailey Higgins
- Legal Update—Marion County Assistant Prosecutor Bailey Higgins
- Drug Containers—Major Chris Adkins
- Diversity training—Ohio State Highway Patrol—Major Chuck Jones, Captain Marvin Hill, Sgt. Misty Waller and Dr. Lea Kovacsiss
- Annual Vehicle Pursuits Refresher—Major BJ Gruber
- Traffic Stop Safety—Lt. Rob Musser

Also starting in March, all officers at the police department completed training for the 2020 COPS Hiring Program (CHP) grant. This training included:

- *Community Policing Defined*—This 2-4 hour training was comprised of four modules and explored partnerships, problem solving and organizational transformation as they relate to specific issues and challenges facing today's law enforcement professionals and the communities they serve.
- *New Perspectives on Community Policing*—New Perspectives on Community Policing is a free, web-based training course that examines the key components of community policing: community partnerships, organizational transformation, and problem solving.
- *Community Policing: Improving Police Efficacy and Building Trust*—This training is a 2.5-day instructor development program that challenges participants to consider the principles and practices of community policing as a means of building trust and achieving the public safety mission by engaging the community in the shared responsibility of effective policing. Participants examine the current state of policing, exploring and discussing issues which contribute to a cycle of dysfunction that left unchecked can have devastating long-term impacts on police practitioners, their agencies and communities. The



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Training

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course encourages participants to develop and employ more functional patrol techniques that increase cooperation from community members, increase efficiency in arrests and seizure activity, and decrease liability associated with complaints.

- *Changing Perceptions: A Fair and Impartial Policing*—Changing Perceptions is a video-based simulation in which learners assume the roles of three different law enforcement officers in an interactive movie, make decisions for these officers and experience the consequences of their choices. The program trains officers on the effect of implicit bias and gives them the information and skills they need to reduce and manage their biases. Additionally, by allowing officers to experience the same encounter from two perspectives (officer and possible suspect) simultaneously, this program provides officers an insight into the biases that some members of the community may harbor toward police and why those biases exist.

In June of 2021, Major Jon Shaffer, with the assistance of Lt. Eric Marsh, retrained all MPD employees on the body-worn camera and in-car video policy. Also in June, the police department sent Officers Mason Kent and Kegan Pelphrey to the Columbus Police Academy. In August, Officers Michael Starrs and Matt Mauldin were sent to the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy in Columbus. All four graduated in January of 2022.

Beginning in September of 2021, in conjunction with the Marion County Sheriff's Office, all supervisors and field training officers began an 8-session training on leadership and organizational change through Jack Slavinski. Each of the eight sessions was between 1.5 to 2 hours in length.

Additional training to monthly SRT and K9 training and training listed included:

- FTO Training: Legal Liability and Best Practices - Lt. Rob Musser, Officer Dylan Reese, Officer Sam Walter, Officer Mason Bischoff
- Context is Key: Recognizing and Responding to Stalking - Lt. Mark Elliott, Lt. Josh Harris, Detective Erica Delp
- Looking Forward, Looking Back: Considering the Response to Stalking - Lt. Mark Elliott, Lt. Josh Harris, Detective Erica Delp
- OAG Human Trafficking Summit 2021 (LE) - Detective Dana Jagger
- The Reid Technique of Investigative Interviewing and Positive Persuasion - Detective Erica Delp
- Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events Instructor—Lt. Ed Brown, School Resource Officers Dave Dunaway, Robb Reed and Todd Monnette
- Supervisor Training and Education Program (STEP) XXV—Lt. Jared Robinson
- IACP First-Line Leadership—Officer Mike Kindell
- Analysis of Patterns of Deception and Denial Among Sex Offenders - Detective Dana Jagger
- Internal Affairs Investigations: Striking the Right Balance—Major Chris Adkins
- Constitutional Use of Force - Lts. Jared Robinson and Richard Wheeler
- Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events Instructor—Major Jon Shaffer, Lt. Ed Brown, SRO Shane Gabriel
- Video Surveillance Techniques—Lt. Jamie Ralston, Det. Matt Creps
- IACP First-Line Supervisor—Lt. Mike Kindell
- Averting Targeted School Violence - Major BJ Gruber, Lt. Ed Brown, SRO Todd Monnette, MPACT JV Officer Montel Smith
- Synthetic and Emerging Drugs Trends "Threat Detection and Identification – See the Unseen" - MARMET Detectives
- NICS Indices Submissions Training "What & How" - Det. Scott Sterling
- Impact Weapons Instructor - Lt. Mark Elliott
- Obtaining and Using Google Location Data for Forensic Analysis Webinar - Lt. Jamie Ralston, Det. Matt Creps, Analyst Blake Higgins
- Internal Affairs - Majors Jon Shaffer, Chris Adkins, BJ Gruber
- Interview and Interrogation Techniques - Officers Dan Ice, Joe McDonald, and Justin May
- School Safety 101 - Lt. Ed Brown



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- Active Shooter Preparedness - Reserve Officer Tim Rowe
- BMI WebCheck training - Records Clerk Nicole Trent and Admin Secretary Dustin Evans
- Body-Worn Cameras in 2021: Legal Liability & Best Practices - Major Jon Shaffer
- Mid-Level Narcotics Investigations - Lt. Jamie Ralston, Dets. Matt Creps and Matt Baldrige
- Field Training Officer Online - Officer Justin May
- Basic SWAT—Det. Sam Walter and Officer Mason Bischoff
- After-Action Review and Reporting - Officer Todd Monnette
- Introduction to SRO Programs - Officer Todd Monnette
- Field Training Officer Seminar—Officers Dylan Reese, Mason Bischoff and Ryan Kelly
- CST Forensic Interview Training—Detective Sam Walter
- Drafting Narcotic Search Warrants—Lt. Jamie Ralston and Det. Matt Creps
- Advanced Search and Seizure—Lts. Jim Fitsko, Jamie Ralston, Rob Musser, Det. Erica Delp, Officers Matt Cochell and Officer Todd Monnette
- Search Warrant Training—Investigations and MARMET
- Multidisciplinary Team Response to Child Sex Trafficking Online - Det. Sam Walter
- Hostage Negotiations and Crisis Intervention, Phase I and II—Lt. Ed Brown, Officer Dan Ice
- Supervisor Training and Education Program (STEP) through the Ohio Association of Chief's of Police—Lt. Jared Robinson
- Knock & Talk Investigations - Lt. Jamie Ralston and Det. Matt Creps
- Tracking Cell Phones, GPS, Cell Sites—Lts. Jamie Ralston and Jim Fitsko
- Interview and Interrogation—Det. Erica Delp and Officer Dylan Kelley
- Following the Evidence in Child Abuse and Exploitation Cases—Det. Sam Walter
- Drug Recognition Expert—Officer CJ Flach
- Social Media for Law Enforcement—Lt. Jim Fitsko
- Ohio Tactical Officer's Association Conference—Lt. Josh Harris and Officer Justin May
- Distraction Device Munitions Instructor—Officer Justin May
- Less Lethal Impact Munitions Instructor—Officer Justin May
- Chemical Agent Munitions Instructor—Officer Justin May
- Putting the "T" back in Training—Lt. Rob Musser
- Detective Deceptive Behaviors—Officer Hannah Greer
- Creating a Community Action Plan for the Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse Online—Detective Sam Walter
- Field Training Officer (Online) - Officer Dan Ice
- Module 1: Street Tactics for the Female Enforcer - Officer Hannah Greer
- Social Media and the 1st Amendment - Lt. Ed Brown
- Child Abduction Response Team Training (CART) - Major BJ Gruber, Lt. Jim Fitsko
- Module 2: Mental Tactics for the Female Enforcer - Officer Hannah Greer
- Module 3: Emotional Survival for the Female Enforcer - Officer Hannah Greer
- School Resource Officer (SRO) - Lt. Ed Brown, Officers Joe McDonald and Montel Smith
- MC908 training—Lt. Jamie Ralston, Det. Matt Baldrige
- The Reid Technique of Investigative Interviewing and Positive Persuasion - Officer Justin May
- Response to At-Risk Missing and High-Risk Endangered Missing Children - Officer Eric Marsh
- Police Rifle-Carbine Instructor - Lt. Mark Elliott
- De-escalation, Intervention & Force Mitigation - Officer Dylan Reese and Ryan Kelly
- Common IA Pitfalls to Avoid - Major Chris Adkins
- PLX Training - MARMET
- Field Training Officer Online - Officer Mike Diem
- SOMA Workshop—Major Jon Shaffer, Lt. Rob Musser, Lt. Josh Harris, Officer Corey Galyk, Detective Sam Walter
- Street Survival—Officer Robert Davis
- Report Writing Online—Officer Robert Davis



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- 2021 Annual K9 In-Service—Lt. Mark Elliott, Lt. Richard Wheeler
- Taser Instructor Re-Certification—Officer Ryan Beveridge
- New Chief's Training—Chief Jay McDonald
- BAC DataMaster training—Officers Gavinn Scheff and Ryan Beveridge
- Response to Mass Violence & Mass Protest Seminar—Lt. Josh Harris
- Crime Prevention Association Conference—Lt. Ed Brown
- C.I.T. training—Lt. Jared Robinson, Officers Mason Bischoff, Bret Thomas, and Caleb Rector
- Sexual Assault Investigations—Officers Montel Smith and Corey Galyk
- Reid Interview and Interrogation—Detective Erica Delp, Officers Dylan Reese and Chris Coburn
- Cryptocurrency Investigations—Lt. Josh Harris
- A Deeper Understanding: Root Cause Analysis in Law Enforcement—Chief Jay McDonald
- Internal Affairs—Lt. Richard Wheeler
- Chief's Conference—Chief Jay McDonald & Major Chris Adkins
- NCMEC-Harnessing Resources for Missing/Exploited Children Investigations—Lt. Jim Fitsko, Officers Katie Barber and Dylan Reese
- Child Abuse and Neglect Instructor—Lt. Mark Elliott
- Street Survival Online—Officer Katrina Rostorfer
- Technology/Social Media & School-based Policing—Officer Shane Gabriel
- Child Abuse and Neglect Instructor—Lt Mark Elliott
- 2021 OLEEA Conference - Lt Ed Brown
- Evidence Technician—Det. Erica Delp
- Roadway Tactics: Avoiding Preventable Fatal Behaviors Online—Officer Katrina Rostorfer

Respectfully,
Major Jon Shaffer



FLEET REPORT

Jerry Parker is in charge of all police vehicles and does an excellent job providing for their overall care and upkeep. He has continued to work well with Ford, Dodge, PARR, G&J Auto Body, the City garage and other vendors to ensure that our vehicles are well maintained and safe to drive.

In 2021, we were able to add three new marked Patrol vehicles to the fleet near the end of the year. These three 2021 Ford Explorers were purchased from Mathews Ford, outfitted by PARR in Bucyrus, and G&J Auto Body in Marion applied the decals. The department added in-car camera systems from WatchGuard Video to these three new SUVs. These camera systems are setup to automatically record with certain triggers, such as the lightbar being activated, and to download when parked on station. The videos are then stored on the same server where the body cameras videos are stored. After not having in-car cameras for some time due to the use of body cameras, the department now has five total police vehicles with in-car cameras.

The department also added a fourth Patrol car that is assigned to Major BJ Gruber. This car was purchased used from Mathews Ford and was previously a Patrol car for the City of Hilliard. It was purchased with over 100,000 miles but was in good shape. It only required minor alterations to make it work for Marion PD and Major Gruber.

The City of Marion held an auction in June of 2021 that included police vehicles. We auctioned a 2005 Ford Escape and a 2003 Ford F-150. Both vehicles were for general utility use for the department.

With the addition of the four vehicles in 2021, the department has 27 vehicles assigned for Patrol use, including two vehicles specifically outfitted for K9 officers and their K9 partners. There are four assigned for administrative use, which includes the Chief's SUV, the MPACT vehicle and two for utility use. The vehicles assigned for utility use include an old 2010 Patrol car (car 50) and a 2004 Ford Explorer. There are also four vehicles assigned for use by Investigations that were manufactured in 2008, 2009, 2014, and 2019. There are two old cruisers that have been retrofitted with different decals and lights that the Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAA) use for house checks and other functions.

The administrative vehicles and the cars assigned to Investigations have served the department well, but some need to be replaced. We were fortunate to add a 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan in 2020 for Investigations' use. One of current unmarked vehicles is a 2004 Ford Explorer that we have maintained and used for 17 years now, but it needs to be replaced. It's a car that's used as a general utility vehicle by officers to take to training as well as being shared between staff as needed. The Department also has an armored TRV for tactical use, demonstrations, natural disaster response or other use as needed.

Respectfully,
Major Jon Shaffer



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CAR #	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	ASSIGNMENT	END OF 2021 MILEAGE	END OF 2020 MILEAGE	MILES DRIVEN IN 2021
1	2014	DODGE	CHARGER	OPERATIONS	94,863	83,871	10,992
3	2017	FORD	EXPLORER	ADMIN - CHIEF	34,794	30,999	3,795
4	2016	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS - MAJOR GRUBER	109,520	N/A	N/A
6	2011	FORD	CROWN VIC	OPERATIONS	107,394	102,686	4,708
7	2014	FORD	TAURUS	OPERATIONS	121,802	99,891	21,911
8	2014	FORD	TAURUS	OPERATIONS	110,790	105,308	5,482
9	2015	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	132,445	126,316	6,129
10	2015	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS - K9 ELLIOTT	82,403	70,447	11,956
11	2016	DODGE	CHARGER	OPERATIONS	37,512	30,629	6,883
12	2014	DODGE	CHARGER	INVESTIGATIONS	46,369	41,366	5,003
13	2014	DODGE	CHARGER	OPERATIONS	122,406	108,614	13,792
16	2011	FORD	CROWN VIC	CPAAA	122,857	120,951	1,906
17	2008	FORD	CROWN VIC	CPAAA	123,758	122,170	1,588
18	2004	FORD	EXPLORER	ADMIN - UTILITY USE	101,754	100,066	1,688
19	2016	DODGE	RAM PROMASTER	ADMIN - MPACT	17,120	15,400	1,720
20	2019	DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	INVESTIGATIONS	35,985	31,624	4,361
22	2016	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	94,500	82,462	12,038
23	2016	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	114,780	96,105	18,675
24	2016	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	101,722	87,588	14,134
25	2018	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	63,529	48,573	14,956
26	2018	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	64,796	45,145	19,651
27	2018	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	66,104	44,094	22,010
28	2018	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	76,119	52,665	23,454
29	2018	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	74,673	55,722	18,951
30	2006	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS - SRO	128,087	125,030	3,057
31	2020	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	30,925	15,303	15,622
32	2020	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	21,720	10,043	11,677
33	2015	FORD	EXPEDITION	OPERATIONS - K9 WHEELER	76,173	65,611	10,562
34	2020	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	15,936	1,280	14,656
35	2020	FORD	F150	OPERATIONS	11,776	2,552	9,224
36	2021	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	817	N/A	817
37	2021	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	1,218	N/A	1,218
38	2021	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	2,170	N/A	2,170
45	2008	FORD	CROWN VIC	INVESTIGATIONS	45,043	42,707	2,336
46	2009	FORD	FUSION	INVESTIGATIONS	103,160	99,453	3,707
50*	2010	FORD	CROWN VIC	ADMIN - UTILITY USE	138,797	138,797	0
53	2011	FORD	CROWN VIC	OPERATIONS - SRO	144,414	141,898	2,516
TOTALS					2,778,231	2,345,366	323,345
AVERAGES					75,087	71,072	8,982

All mileage was taken near the end of each year.

*Odometer does not work in car 50. It is not driven regularly.

Car #4 was a used car that had been a police car with the City of Hilliard.

Sold at auction in June 2021

4	2005	FORD	ESCAPE	ADMIN - UTILITY USE
5	2003	FORD	F-150	ADMIN - UTILITY USE



PROPERTY ROOM REPORT

Several goals were met in 2021 for the property room. One major goal that was accomplished was a Cashless Property Room policy was implemented with the help of Major Shaffer and Major Adkins. Since August 2021, all money turned into the property room has been deposited into a non-interest-bearing account.

The property room was able to participate in a joint auction with the City and County. An overhaul of the sally port was done during the summer months, disposing of evidence and old equipment. Ending the year, we were able to complete a successful spot audit of money, guns, drugs, and jewelry.

The spot audit was a success. A breakdown is below:

- **Cash**—All cash was accounted for and four randomly selected envelopes were opened and the amount was verified.
- **Jewelry**—All jewelry was located and verified.
- **Firearms**—Ninety-nine guns were selected to audit. Ninety-seven of the 99 were here and verified, while the other two are currently being held at the courthouse as state exhibits, so, all 99 guns were accounted for.
- **Drugs**—330 drug packages were chosen to verify. Of the 330 on the list, we found 4 items that were not “scanned out” to be destroyed. Those items were fixed in RMS to show that they are no longer here. One drug package on the list is at the courthouse, being held as a state exhibit, and 8 packages are currently at BCI for testing.

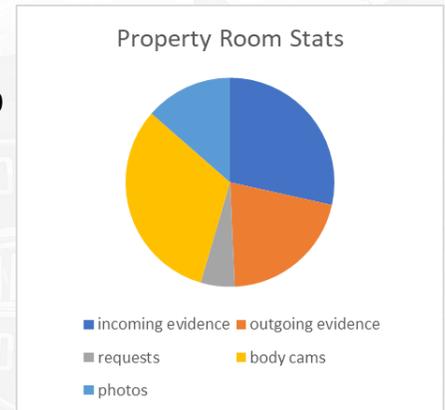
A couple of goals for the upcoming year include:

- Taking out more property than what comes in
- Completing the cashless property room process
- Start a streamline process for disposing of guns (convert, destroy or trade in)
- Start an option for online auctioning for disposing of property

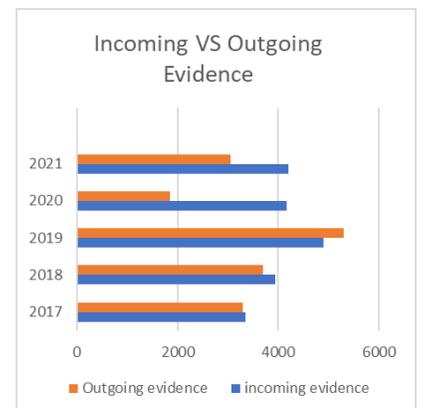
Sincerely,
Amanda Adkins



Amanda Adkins



Incoming evidence items.....	4,200
Outgoing/disposed evidence.....	3,062
Email Requests.....	779
Body cams.....	4,700
Photos.....	2,000





DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORT

Monthly Summary Domestic Violence Incident Calls

For Incidents Reported Between: 1/1/2021 and 12/31/2021

I. Relationship of Persons Involved

	<i>Victim</i>			<i>Offender</i>			<i>Unclear Participant</i>		
	<i>Fatal</i>	<i>Injury</i>	<i>No Injury</i>	<i>Fatal</i>	<i>Injury</i>	<i>No Injury</i>	<i>Fatal</i>	<i>Injury</i>	<i>No Injury</i>
<i>Wife</i>	0	24	30	0	1	22	0	0	2
<i>Husband</i>	0	11	9	0	2	49	0	0	2
<i>Parent</i>	0	14	20	0	3	10	0	0	2
<i>Non-Parent w/child in common</i>	0	26	55	0	5	78	0	0	5
<i>Child(ren)</i>	0	4	10	0	2	30	0	1	1
<i>Other family or household member</i>	1	44	31	0	11	64	0	2	8
<i>Former Spouse</i>	0	5	11	0	0	16	0	0	4
<i>Live-in Partner</i>	0	61	49	0	11	99	0	3	7
<i>Other</i>	0	7	30	0	1	36	0	0	0
Total	1	196	245	0	36	404	0	6	31

<i>II. Race</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Off.</i>	<i>UP.</i>
<i>Asian</i>	3	0	0
<i>African Amer.</i>	57	110	8
<i>Caucasian</i>	374	321	29
<i>Native Amer.</i>	0	0	0
<i>Hispanic</i>	4	4	0
<i>Other</i>	2	2	0
Total	440	437	37

<i>III. Age</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Off.</i>	<i>UP.</i>
<i>Age 0-17</i>	20	33	6
<i>Age 18-40</i>	284	289	21
<i>Age 41-59</i>	114	101	9
<i>Age 60-84</i>	22	15	1
<i>Age 85+</i>	1	0	0
Total	441	438	37

<i>IV. Sex</i>	<i>Vic.</i>		<i>Off.</i>		<i>UP.</i>	
	<i>M</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>F</i>
	104	339	353	87	20	17

V. Action taken by Officers

- A. Arrest under ORC Sec. 2919.25, 2919.27, or equivalent local ordinance*
- B. Arrest under other ORC Section(s) or equivalent local ordinances*
- C. No Criminal Charges Filed*
- D. Total*

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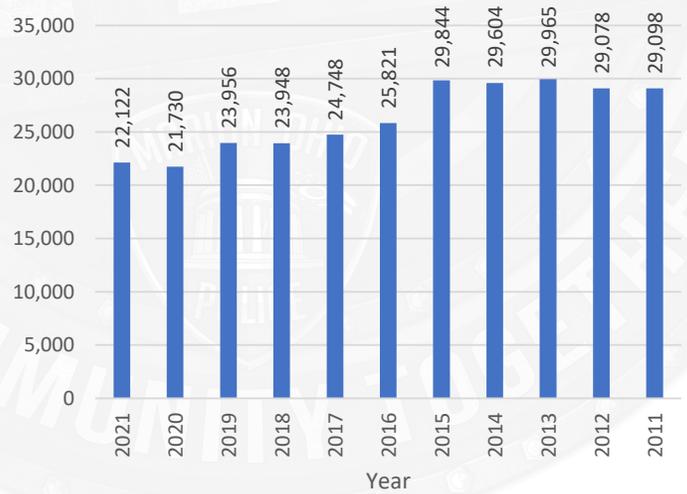
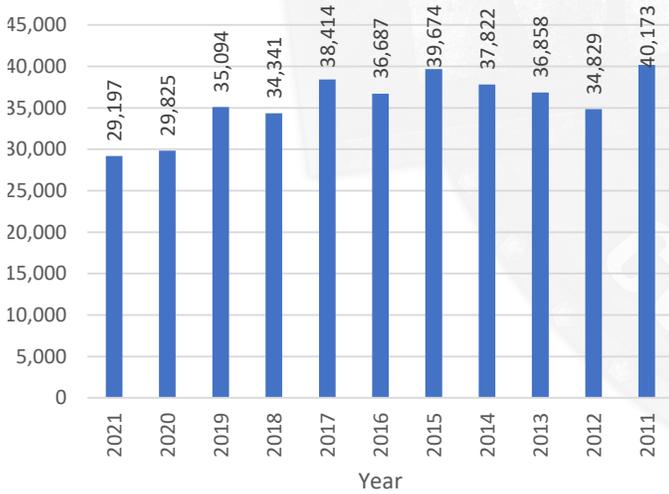


CALLS FOR SERVICE REPORT

Calls for Service Totals by Year

Year	w/o Cancelled Calls	+/-	Calls/Day
2021	29,197	↓ -2.11%	80
2020	29,825	↓ -15.01%	81
2019	35,094	↑ 2.19%	96
2018	34,341	↓ -10.60%	94
2017	38,414	↑ 4.71%	105
2016	36,687	↓ -7.53%	101
2015	39,674	↑ 4.90%	109
2014	37,822	↑ 2.62%	104
2013	36,858	↑ 5.83%	101
2012	34,829	↓ -13.30%	95
2011	40,173		110
Average	35,719		98

Year	w/o Cancelled or Self-Initiated Calls	+/-	Calls/Day
2021	22,122	↑ 1.80%	60
2020	21,730	↓ -9.29%	59
2019	23,956	↑ 0.03%	66
2018	23,948	↓ -3.23%	66
2017	24,748	↓ -4.16%	68
2016	25,821	↓ -13.48%	71
2015	29,844	↑ 0.81%	82
2014	29,604	↓ -1.20%	81
2013	29,965	↑ 3.05%	82
2012	29,078	↓ -0.07%	80
2011	29,098		80
Average	26,356		72



5 Years Comparison

2021	29,197	↓ -23.99%	80
2017	38,414		105

5 Years Comparison

2021	22,122	↓ -10.61%	61
2017	24,748		68

10 Years Comparison

2021	36,687	↓ -8.68%	101
2011	40,173		110

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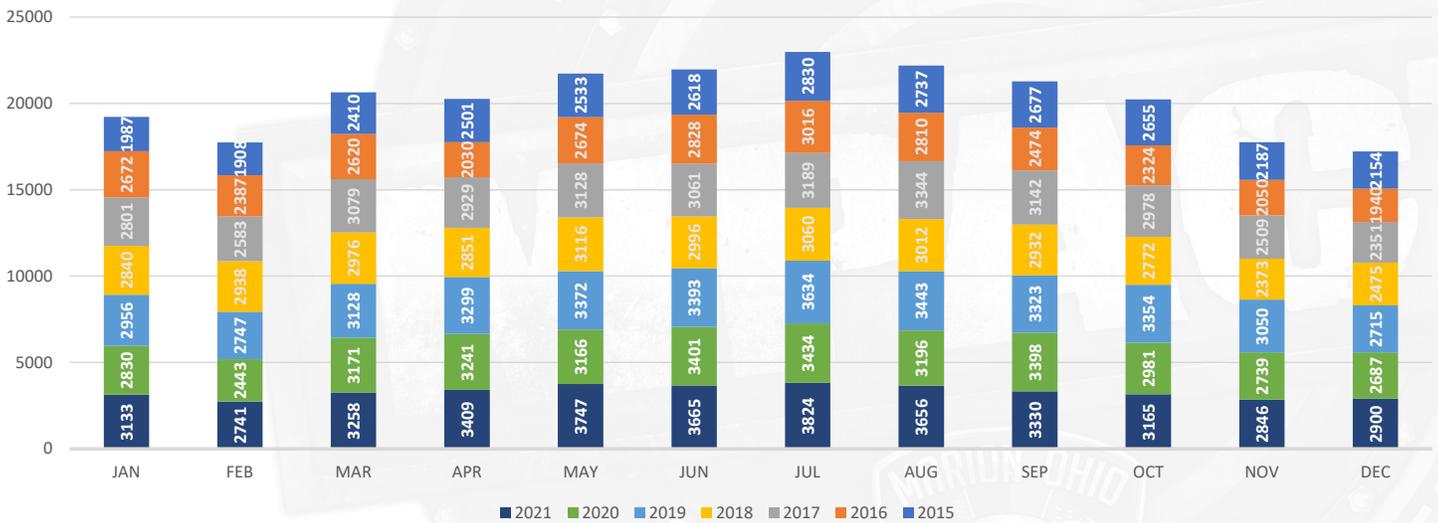
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Calls for Service Totals by Month

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL	+/-
2021	1987	1908	2410	2501	2533	2618	2830	2737	2677	2655	2187	2154	29,197	↓ -2.11%
2020	2672	2387	2620	2030	2674	2828	3016	2810	2474	2324	2050	1940	29,825	↓ -15.01%
2019	2801	2583	3079	2929	3128	3061	3189	3344	3142	2978	2509	2351	35,094	↑ 2.19%
2018	2840	2938	2976	2851	3116	2996	3060	3012	2932	2772	2373	2475	34,341	↓ -10.60%
2017	2956	2747	3128	3299	3372	3393	3634	3443	3323	3354	3050	2715	38,414	↑ 4.71%
2016	2830	2443	3171	3241	3166	3401	3434	3196	3398	2981	2739	2687	36,687	↓ -7.53%
2015	3133	2741	3258	3409	3747	3665	3824	3656	3330	3165	2846	2900	39,674	
Average	2872	2639.833	3038.667	3145.8	3305.8	3303.2	3428.2	3330.2	3225	3050	2703.4	2625.6	36842	

*The busier the month, the darker the green as compared to the other months in the same year.

*Information from CAD - Reports-->Other Reports-->Events by Nature Code by Agency (Agency: MPD, Total # from Subtotals for MPD)

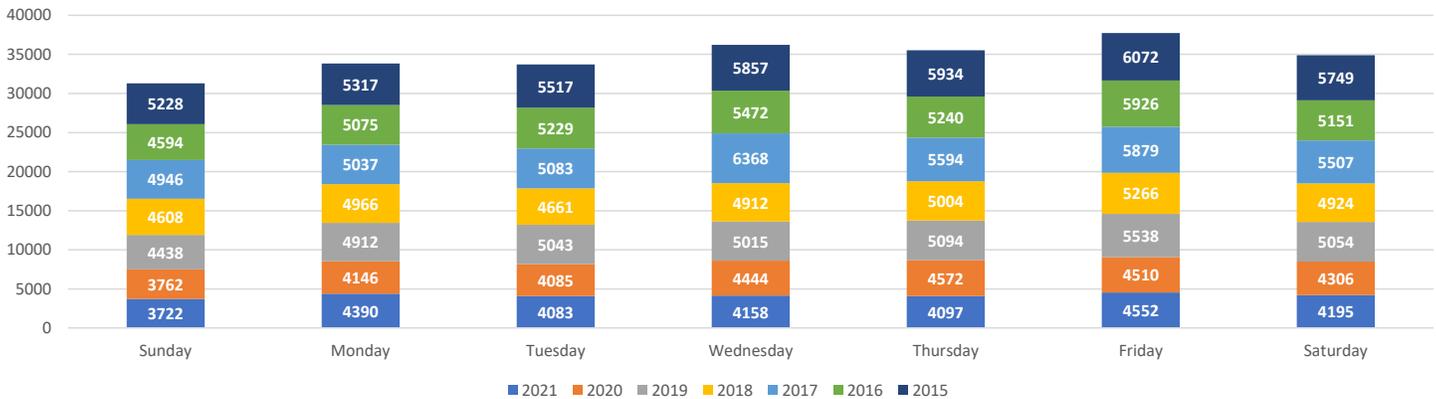


Calls for Service Totals by Day

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Total	+/-
2021	3722	4390	4083	4158	4097	4552	4195	29,197	↓ -2.11%
2020	3762	4146	4085	4444	4572	4510	4306	29,825	↓ -15.01%
2019	4438	4912	5043	5015	5094	5538	5054	35,094	↑ 2.19%
2018	4608	4966	4661	4912	5004	5266	4924	34,341	↓ -10.60%
2017	4946	5037	5083	6368	5594	5879	5507	38,414	↑ 4.71%
2016	4594	5075	5229	5472	5240	5926	5151	36,687	↓ -7.53%
2015	5228	5317	5517	5857	5934	6072	5749	39,674	
Average	4763	5061	5107	5525	5373	5736	5277	36,842	

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*Information from CAD - Reports-->Graphical Reports-->Calls for Service by Day of Week (Agency: MPD, Summary code: Blank, Self-initiated included)





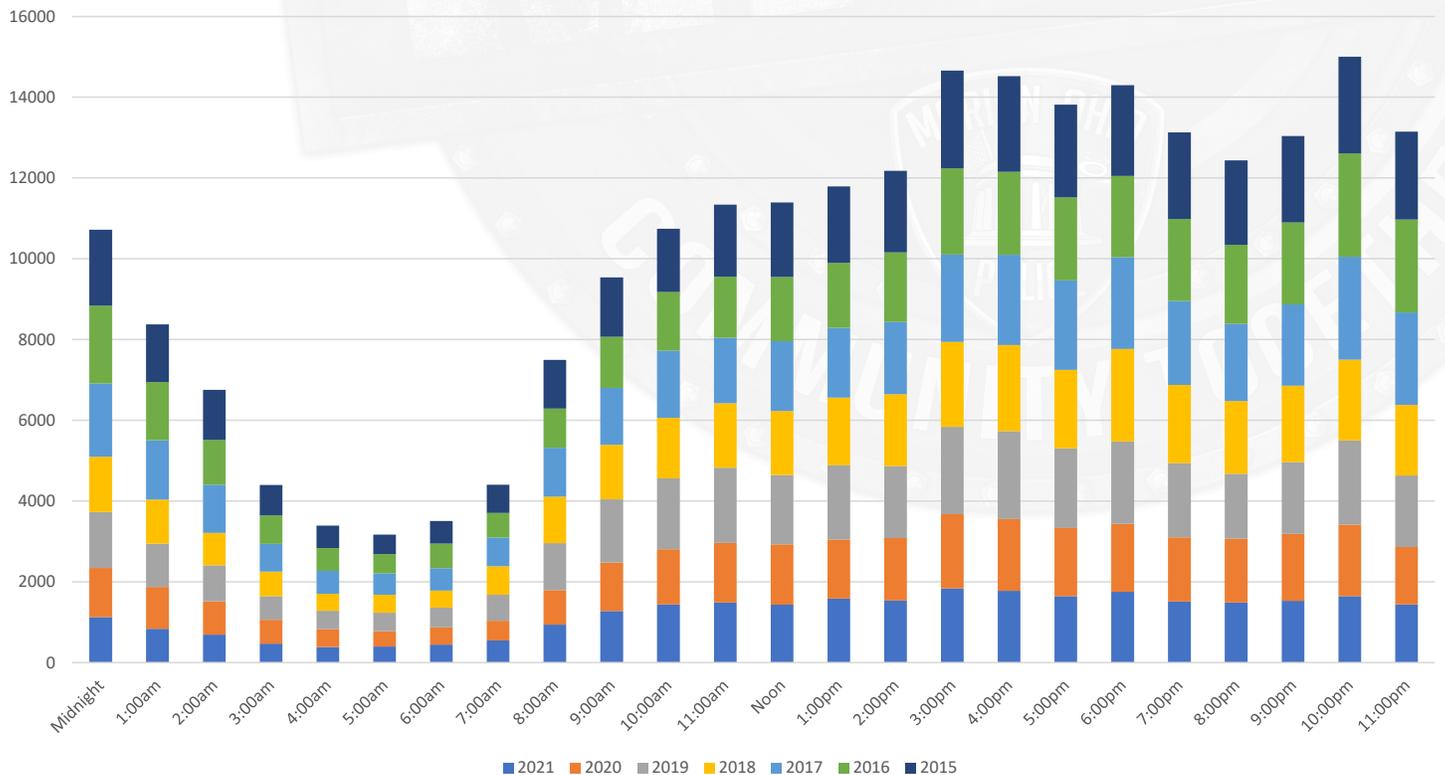
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Calls for Service Totals by Hour

	Midnight	1:00am	2:00am	3:00am	4:00am	5:00am	6:00am	7:00am	8:00am	9:00am	10:00am	11:00am	Noon
2021	1127	836	689	470	382	398	442	549	938	1273	1439	1484	1430
2020	1213	1035	827	589	448	377	427	487	857	1201	1370	1479	1499
2019	1390	1071	891	583	450	461	492	646	1164	1565	1748	1862	1717
2018	1364	1096	802	609	425	444	420	702	1149	1351	1503	1598	1581
2017	1814	1469	1197	690	566	530	555	713	1213	1409	1664	1619	1730
2016	1931	1440	1106	701	563	474	608	610	969	1269	1454	1511	1590
2015	1881	1428	1243	755	556	482	560	699	1204	1467	1563	1789	1845
Average	1676	1301	1048	668	512	478	527	674	1140	1412	1586	1676	1693

	1:00pm	2:00pm	3:00pm	4:00pm	5:00pm	6:00pm	7:00pm	8:00pm	9:00pm	10:00pm	11:00pm	TOTAL	+/-
2021	1583	1537	1837	1776	1646	1754	1508	1488	1529	1645	1437	29,197	-2.11%
2020	1465	1549	1836	1780	1686	1679	1592	1580	1658	1767	1424	29,825	-15.01%
2019	1837	1783	2164	2171	1975	2043	1840	1605	1776	2086	1774	35,094	2.19%
2018	1677	1773	2105	2134	1943	2291	1931	1803	1894	2001	1745	34,341	-10.60%
2017	1728	1790	2162	2239	2218	2268	2082	1911	2009	2549	2289	38,414	4.71%
2016	1606	1726	2131	2053	2054	2014	2030	1957	2032	2558	2300	36,687	-7.53%
2015	1897	2021	2422	2368	2295	2247	2144	2094	2140	2397	2177	39,674	
Average	1749	1819	2197	2193	2097	2173	2005	1874	1970	2318	2057	36,842	

*The busier the hour of day, the darker the green as compared to the other times in the same year.
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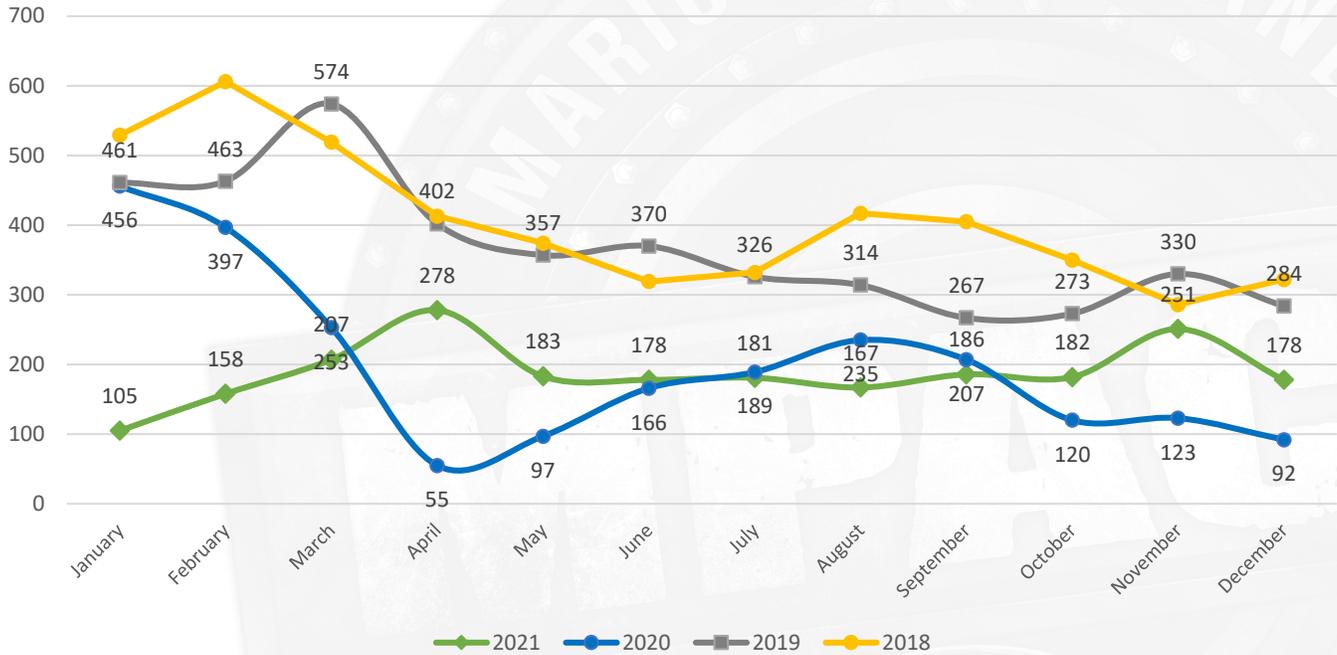
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CFS DESCRIPTION	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	2021
Assault (08)	8	8	11	13	11	5	11	12	21	11	12	11	134
Burglary (12)	10	4	10	10	6	7	8	3	8	12	7	5	90
Burglary Alarm (12B)	44	43	62	62	53	58	50	48	46	48	52	59	625
B&E (12C)	2	1	0	3	6	4	5	2	5	3	3	2	36
Domestic (20)	120	93	108	84	116	132	131	99	116	126	123	124	1372
Fight (26)	4	5	10	3	12	6	13	9	8	12	7	6	95
Fight w/ Weapons (26A)	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	9
Homicide (32)	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Theft (36)	36	25	37	35	36	42	50	58	52	52	38	42	503
Shoplifter (36A)	10	5	2	1	4	1	2	0	3	4	7	3	42
Theft from Vehicle (36C)	7	6	10	9	7	19	16	23	11	12	12	10	142
Person w/ Gun (40)	3	1	2	0	4	7	5	5	1	5	3	3	39
Person w/ Knife (40A)	0	1	2	0	2	0	0	1	5	4	1	0	16
Drug Overdose (42O)	15	24	35	29	22	21	24	28	19	22	12	14	265
Rape (48)	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	1	2	7
Sex Offense (48A)	7	5	11	10	15	6	7	10	12	11	7	7	108
Armed Robbery (50C)	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	1	0	6
Strong Armed Robbery (50D)	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	8
Shooting (52)	2	0	0	6	1	1	1	2	0	2	0	1	16
Shots Fired (52A)	11	4	15	8	3	6	18	8	12	10	8	5	108
Stabbing (54)	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	2	8
Stolen Vehicle (56)	8	5	10	7	5	6	9	8	7	9	7	10	91
Traffic Stops (57)	105	158	208	278	183	178	181	166	186	182	251	178	2254
Suicide (58)	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	5
Attempted Suicide (58ATT)	7	2	10	4	3	3	9	7	1	13	5	12	76
Suicide Threats	14	21	19	10	25	21	20	23	30	28	21	15	247
Suspicious Activity (60ACT)	44	32	40	43	35	56	34	60	40	41	34	45	504
Suspicious Person (60)	43	40	61	59	55	74	73	52	85	80	59	60	741
Suspicious Vehicle (60A)	49	36	50	53	35	41	46	50	46	42	29	29	506
In Pursuit (25/62P)	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	8
Vandalism (64)	15	2	12	13	12	11	14	10	22	9	6	24	150
Vandalism to Vehicle (64A)	8	2	6	12	16	19	14	18	15	18	6	15	149
Total for Month (all calls):	1987	1908	2410	2501	2533	2618	2830	2737	2677	2655	2187	2154	29,197

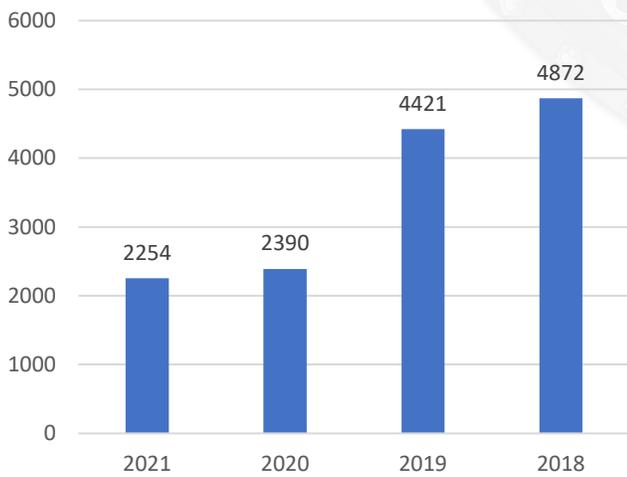


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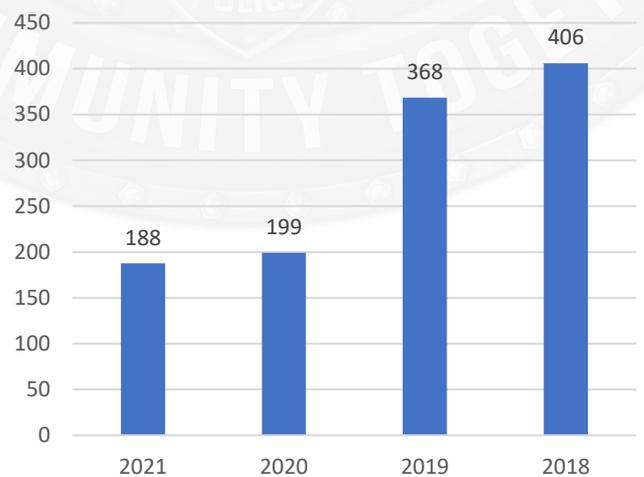
Total Traffic Stops



Total Stops by Year



Average Stops per Month by Year



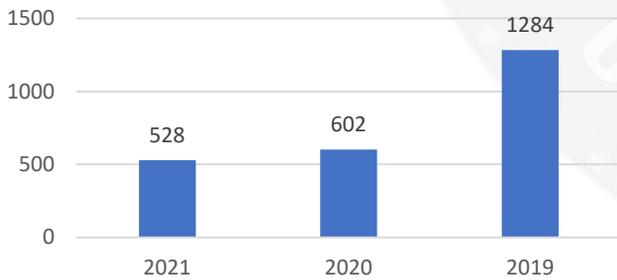


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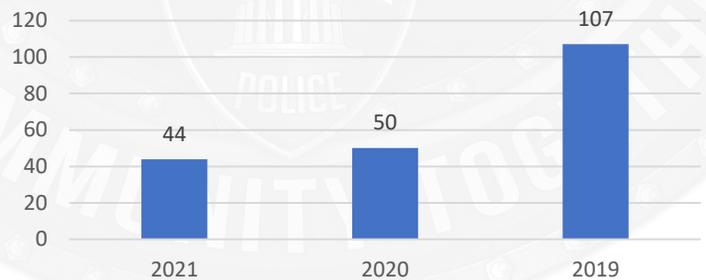
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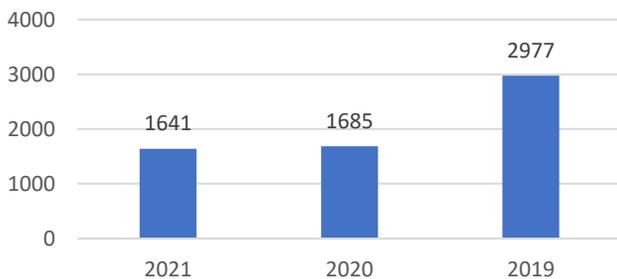
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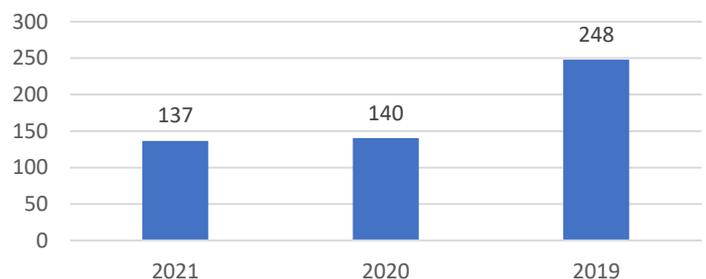
Average Citations per Month by Year



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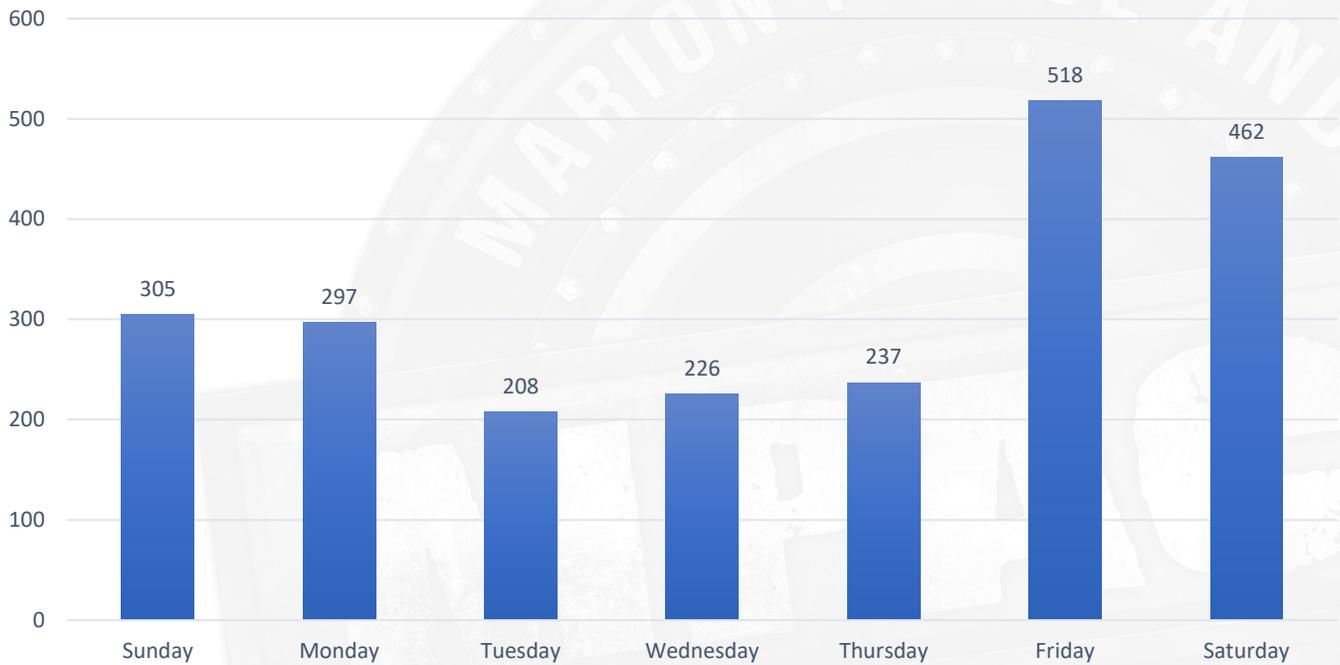
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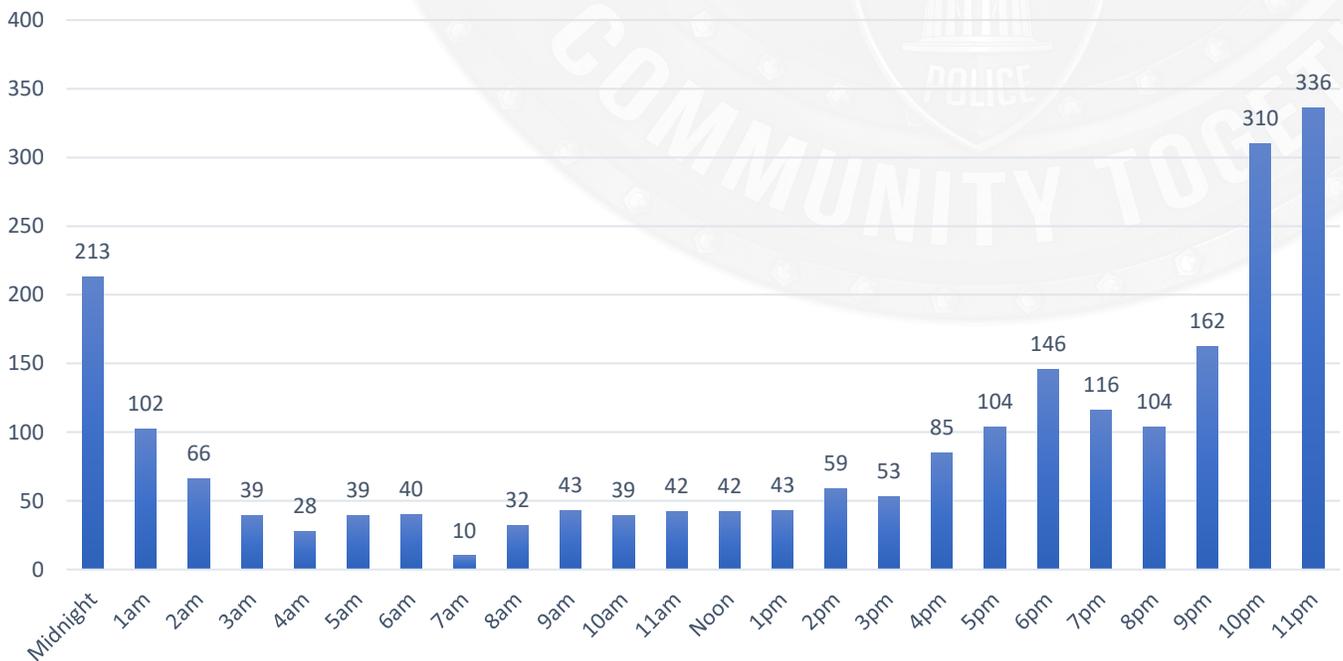


TRAFFIC STOPS REPORT

Traffic Stops by Day



Traffic Stops by Hour





TRAFFIC STOPS REPORT

TOTAL STOPS FOR MONTH:		2254		
CITATIONS				
Code		Total	Percentage of Citations	Percentage of Total Stops
41A	White Violator	439	83.1%	19.5%
41B	Black Violator	71	13.4%	3.1%
41C	Hispanic Violator	14	2.7%	0.6%
41D	Asian Violator	3	0.6%	0.1%
41E	Other Violator	1	0.2%	0.0%
TOTALS		528	100.0%	23.4%

WARNINGS				
Code	Description	Total	Percentage of Warnings	Percentage of Total Stops
42A	White Violator	1441	87.8%	63.9%
42B	Black Violator	169	10.3%	7.5%
42C	Hispanic Violator	23	1.4%	1.0%
42D	Asian Violator	1	0.1%	0.0%
42E	Other Violator	7	0.4%	0.3%
TOTALS		1641	100.0%	72.8%

OTHER/UNKNOWN				
Code	Description	Total	Percentage of Warnings	Percentage of Total Stops
43/46	Report Made/Officer Handled	85	100.0%	3.8%

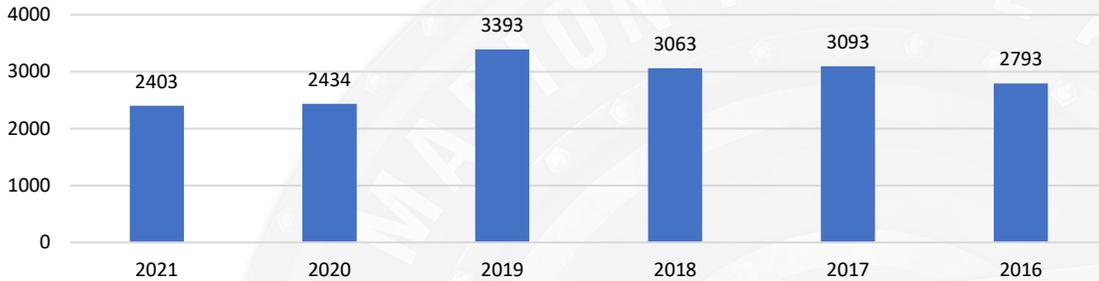
Race and Hispanic Origin		
White alone, percent		84.5%
Black or African American alone, percent (a)		9.6%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone, percent (a)		0.4%
Asian alone, percent (a)		0.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone, percent (a)		0.1%
Two or More Races, percent		4.6%
Hispanic or Latino, percent (b)		3.6%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino, percent		82.8%

City of Marion estimates based on US Census Bureau website data from July 1, 2021.

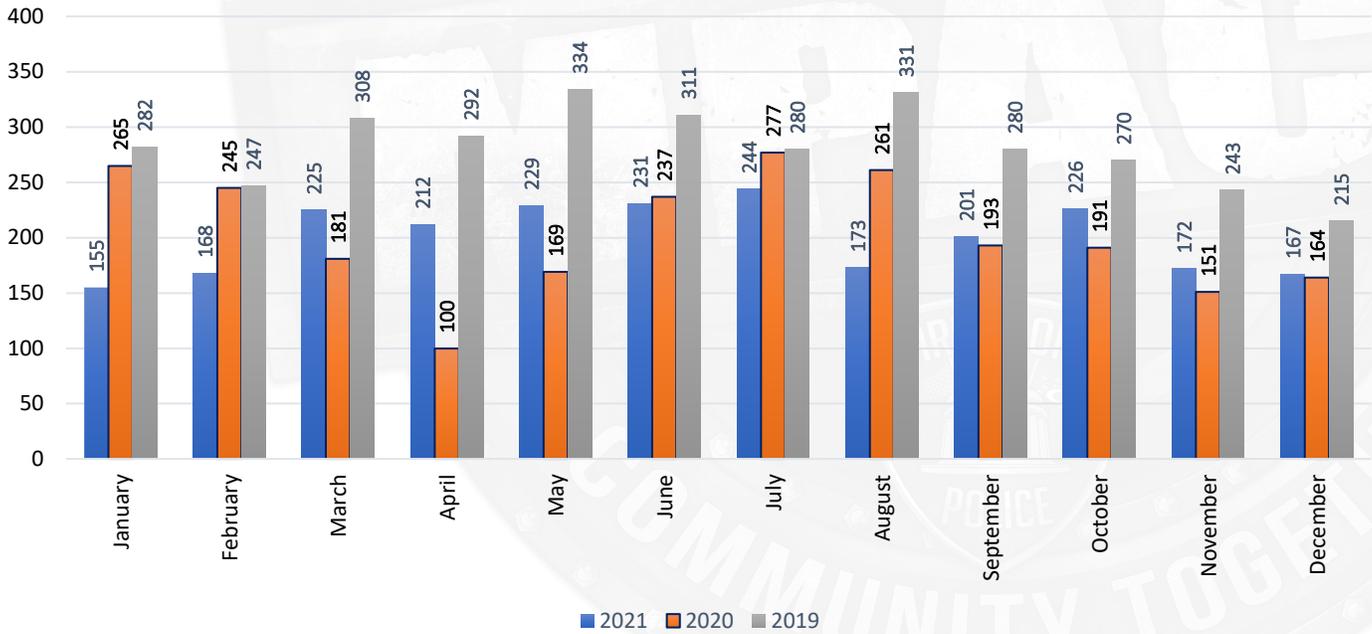


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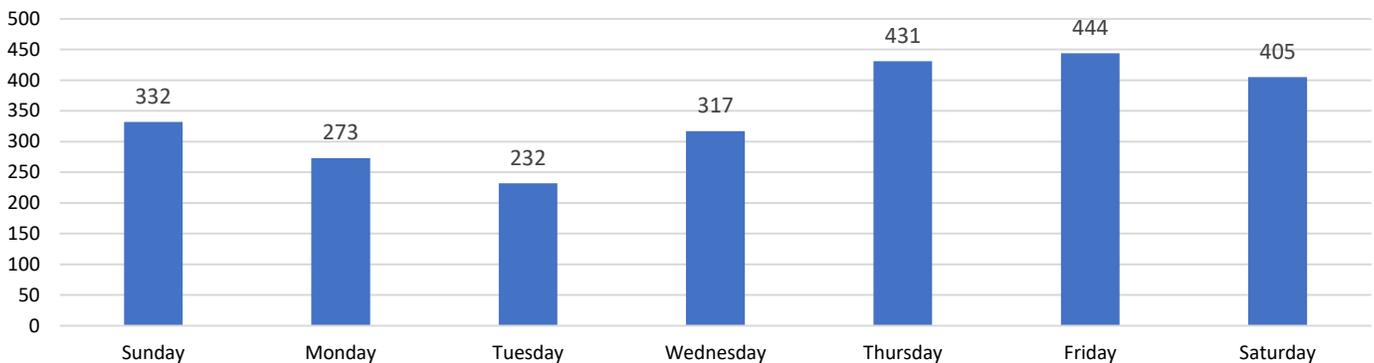
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Charges by Month



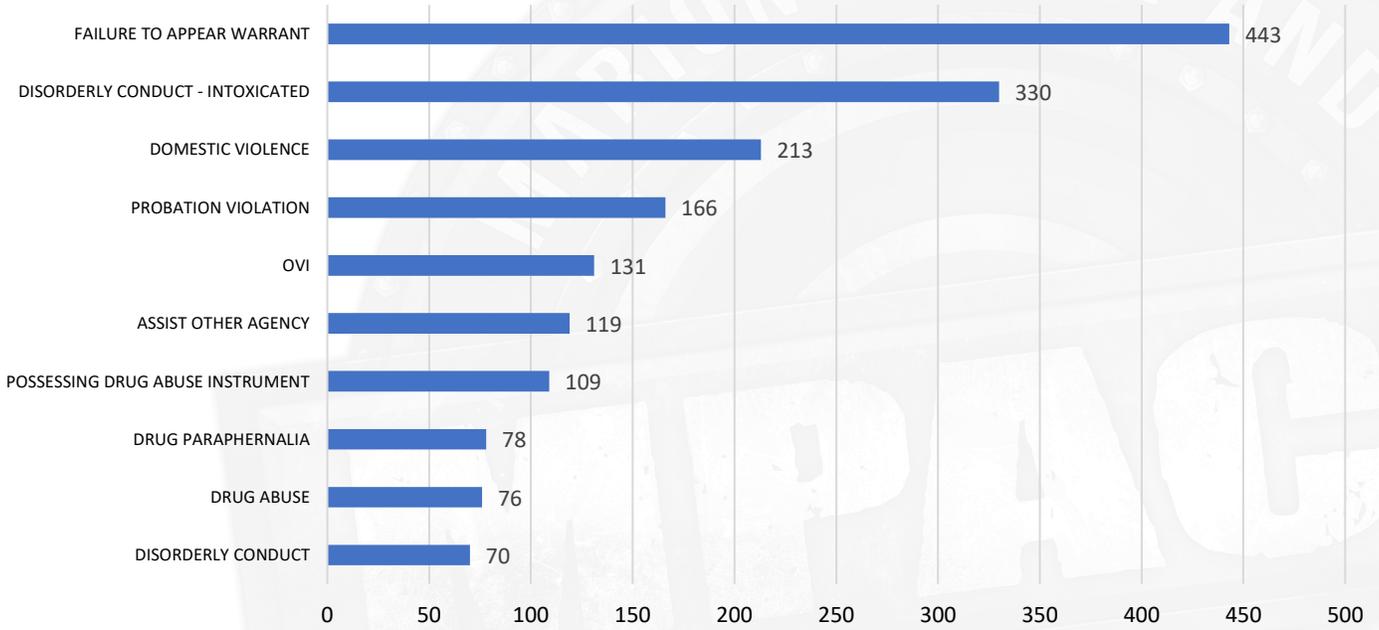
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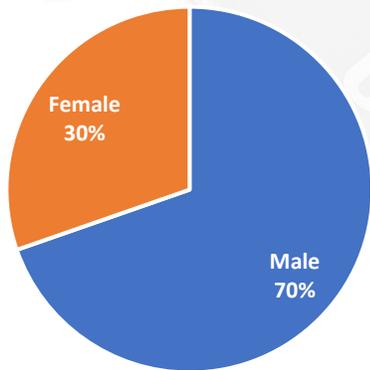


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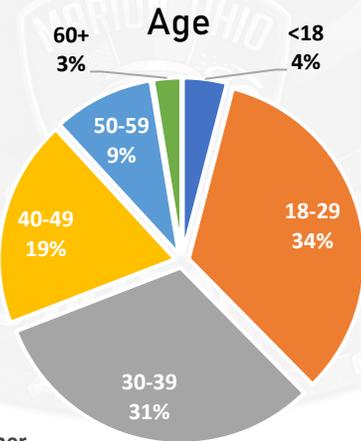
Top 10 Arrests/Summons by Charge



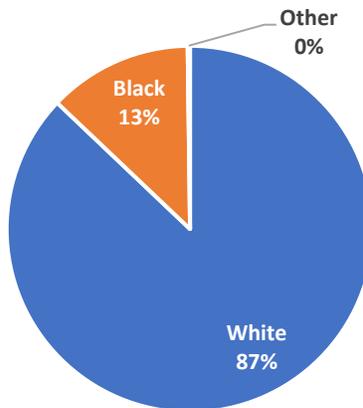
Gender



Age



Race





TRAFFIC CRASH REPORT

Crashes by Severity

Select County

Marion

From Date (>=) To Date (<=)

1/1/2021 12/31/2021

Select Map

Crash Point

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Top Crash Routes

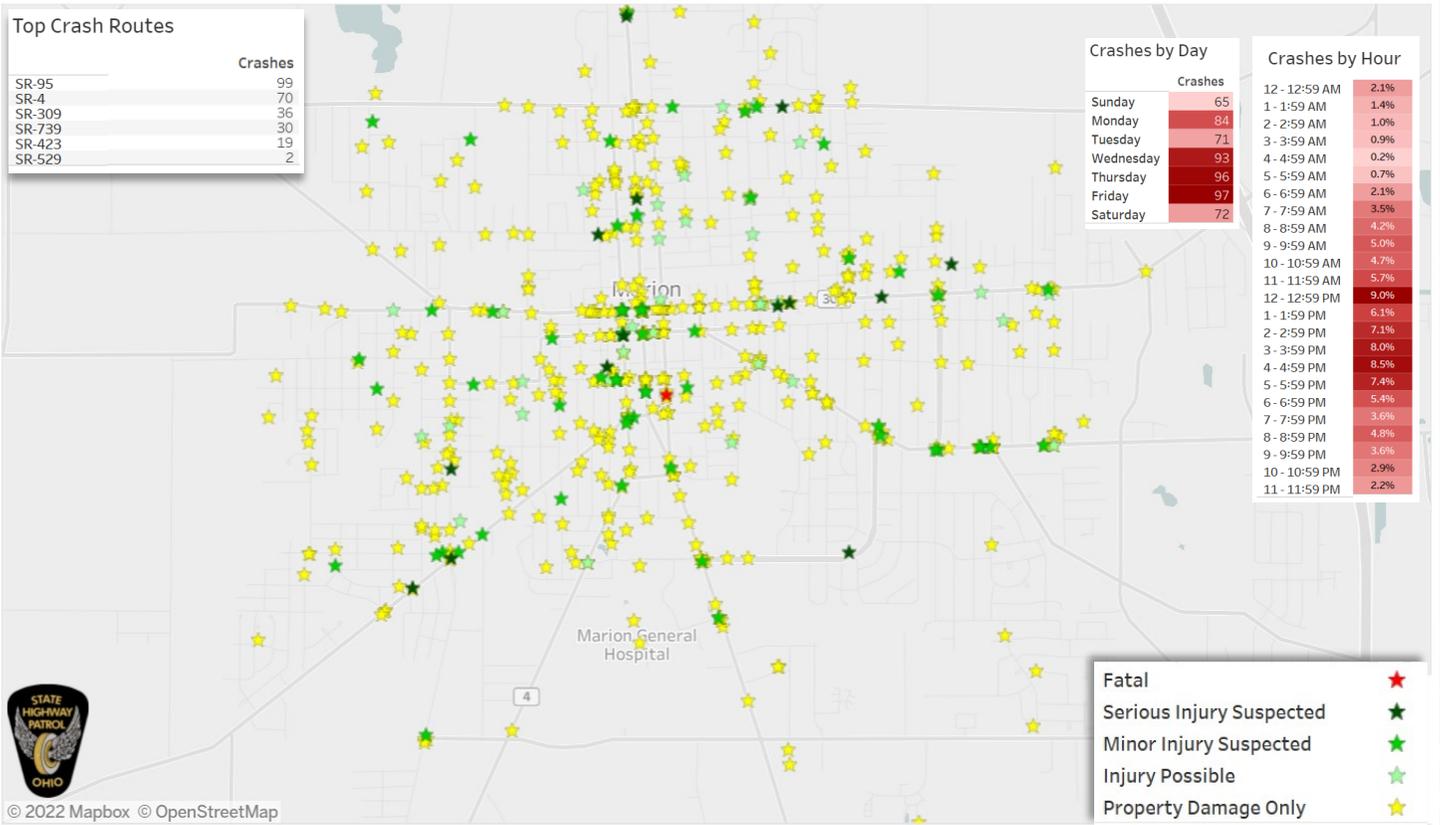
Route	Crashes
SR-95	99
SR-4	70
SR-309	36
SR-739	30
SR-423	19
SR-529	2

Crashes by Day

Day	Crashes
Sunday	65
Monday	84
Tuesday	71
Wednesday	93
Thursday	96
Friday	97
Saturday	72

Crashes by Hour

Hour	Crashes
12 - 12:59 AM	2.1%
1 - 1:59 AM	1.4%
2 - 2:59 AM	1.0%
3 - 3:59 AM	0.9%
4 - 4:59 AM	0.2%
5 - 5:59 AM	0.7%
6 - 6:59 AM	2.1%
7 - 7:59 AM	3.5%
8 - 8:59 AM	4.2%
9 - 9:59 AM	5.0%
10 - 10:59 AM	4.7%
11 - 11:59 AM	5.7%
12 - 12:59 PM	9.0%
1 - 1:59 PM	6.1%
2 - 2:59 PM	7.1%
3 - 3:59 PM	8.0%
4 - 4:59 PM	8.5%
5 - 5:59 PM	7.4%
6 - 6:59 PM	5.4%
7 - 7:59 PM	3.6%
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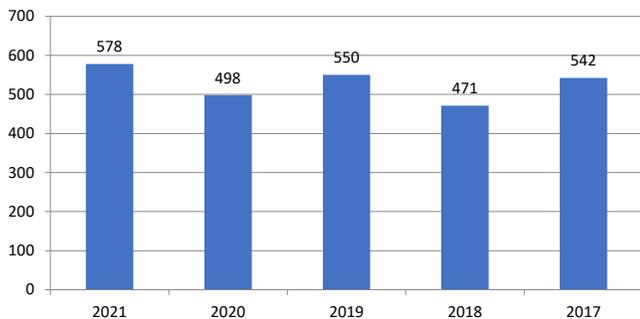


Fatal	★
Serious Injury Suspected	★
Minor Injury Suspected	★
Injury Possible	★
Property Damage Only	★

Crashes by Month and Year

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
2017	40	39	48	54	44	53	44	45	32	44	50	49	542
2018	51	26	53	33	33	39	42	46	40	46	27	35	471
2019	63	24	46	47	47	37	36	48	52	60	45	45	550
2020	43	65	35	17	21	46	42	50	44	52	32	51	498
2021	54	57	48	46	40	53	38	53	46	57	42	44	578
Grand Total	251	211	230	197	185	228	202	242	214	259	196	224	2,639

Crashes by Year



Crash Variables

Alcohol-Related	21
Bicycle-Related	11
Commercial-Related	18
Deer-Related	3
Distracted-Related	38
Drug-Related	17
Failure To Yield-Related	87
Mature-Related	207

Motorcycle-Related	11
OVI-Related	33
Pedestrian-Related	5
Ran Red Light/Stop Sign...	50
School Bus-Related	3
Speed-Related	46
Teen-Related	69
Unbelted-Related	100
Youth-Related	141

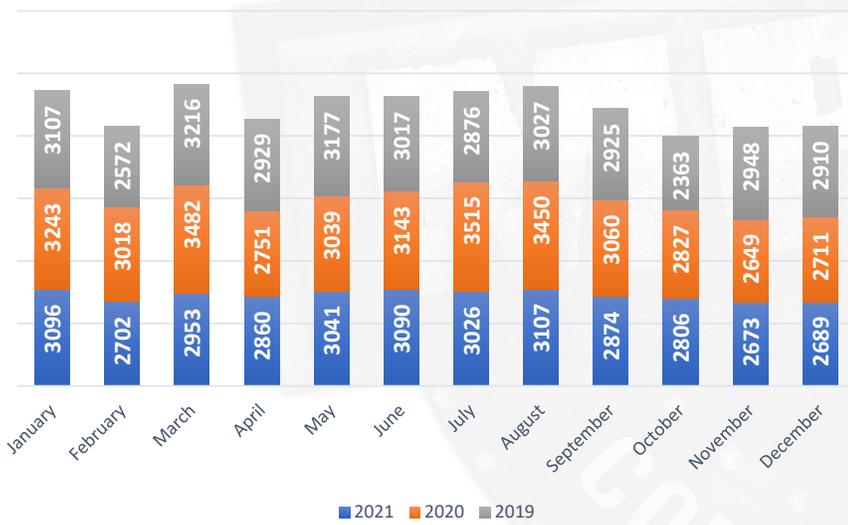


GAS USAGE REPORT

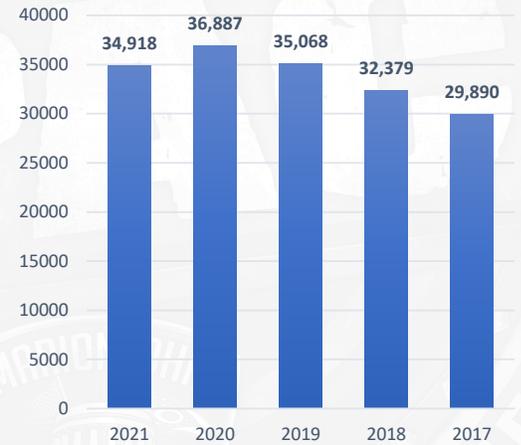
The total number of gallons of gasoline used for 2021 was down from 2020 by 5.34% but up over five years by 16.82%. March and August saw the most gas used over the last three years while October had the least amount used.

The average price of a gallon of gas increased by almost 41% from 2020 to 2021. The average price in 2020 was a five year low. Since 2017, the average price of gas per gallon for the police department increased 33%. The monthly of July had the highest average cost for a gallon of gas while April saw the cheapest price per gallon over the last three years.

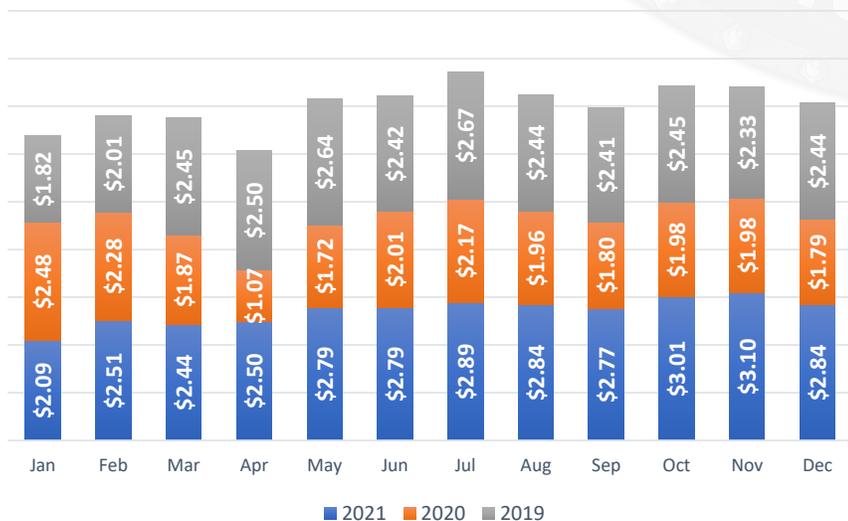
Gallons of Gas Used



Total Gallons by Year



Cost per Gallon



Avg. Cost/Gallon by Year

