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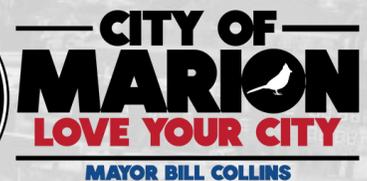


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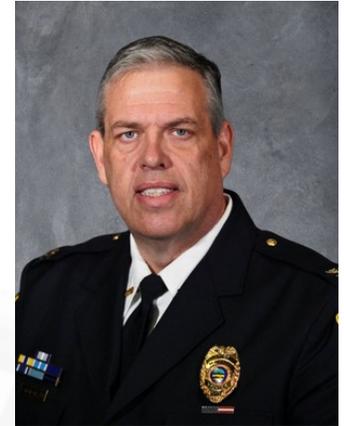
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Chief Jay McDonald's 2025 Report to Mayor Bill Collins

Mayor Collins,

2025 was once again a busy year for the men and women of the Marion Police Department. We had several challenges as an agency but there were also many accomplishments that made us proud.

Officer Michael Starrs was selected by his peers to be the 2025 Officer of the Year. Lt. Jim Fitsko was named the Supervisor of the Year and Amanda Adkins was named the Civilian of the Year. Mike Akers and Valerie Mettler, both with our Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, were given our Volunteer of the Year award. Major Chris Adkins was named the Ohio Drug Task Force Commander of the Year for 2025 by the Ohio NARCO association. I am thrilled to have all of them on our team and appreciate the #MPACT they have made in our community. There were many other employees who received recognition for their outstanding work in 2025, which will be detailed in the annual report.



Jay McDonald
Chief of Police

The Marion Police Department welcomed Officer David Miller, who was hired in 2024 but graduated from the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy on January 17, 2025. The Marion Police Department also hired Officer Austin Shaffer and two others on January 13, 2025. Officer Shaffer ended up taking a voluntary layoff at the end of the year and the other officers did not complete their probation. On August 22, the Marion Police Department hired Jacob Bartlett as our newest officer, and he will complete his training at the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy on January 16, 2026. Corey Galyk earned a well-deserved promotion to the rank of Lieutenant in October of 2025.

The Marion Police Department continued its department-wide focus on our commitment to make an MPACT in our community in 2025. MPACT is an acronym for "Marion Police and Community Together" and it is not just a slogan, it is a strategy for continuing to drive down crime rates and building upon our positive relationship with the community. Books and Badges; the women's self-defense classes; National Night Out; Light Ohio Blue; the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics; the Citizens Police Academy; Cops, Cookies and Cocoa; Cops and Kids Christmas program and numerous other #MPACT and community events allowed us to grow relationships in our community and our officers enjoy them as much as the members of the community they interact with.

Our relationship with our law enforcement partners has never been stronger. We continue to work with the Marion County Sheriff's Office every single day through our drug task force (MARMET) and our officially combined special response team. We also work together on many of our #MPACT events. The Ohio State Highway Patrol continues to be a dependable partner by assisting us with traffic crashes and in a training capacity. The FBI continues to be valued partners to our detectives, and they are heavily involved in keeping Marion safe. BCI provides a fantastic service through their crime lab to the Marion Police Department.

Our officers responded to 29,539 calls for service in 2025. We have seen decreases in all tracked crime categories. We have seen reductions in violent crime and property crime. Some of the reductions in drug crimes can be attributed to diversion programs at the Marion County Prosecutor's Office and the Municipal and Common Pleas Court. The drastic reduction in overdoses, particularly fatal overdoses, is remarkable. It remains the goal of the Marion Police Department to continue to drive down crime in the City of Marion.

We had zero homicides investigated by the Marion Police Department in 2025. Felony and misdemeanor assault calls decreased over the prior year.

After years of increases in Domestic Violence investigations, the Marion Police Department reinvigorated the

CHIEF'S REPORT

Domestic Violence Task Force, meeting with various stakeholders about ways to reduce the instances of this terrible crime. The result is a 42% reduction in reports of domestic violence to our agency when comparing 2023 and 2025. It is a 24% decrease from 2024 to 2025. Property crime continues to decrease as well.

Another statistic we are proud of is the massive decrease in drug overdoses. There were 31% less drug overdoses in the City of Marion in 2025 when compared to 2024. Our preliminary numbers also show a small decrease in fatal overdoses as well.

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Aggravated Murder/Murder	1	1	1	4	3	2	3	2	3	2	0	0
Agg. Assault/Felonious Assault	35	46	34	29	31	35	32	27	42	47	33	28
Assault	207	255	268	177	190	169	115	126	182	204	160	146
Domestic Violence	253	314	329	319	309	293	325	358	473	499	378	287
Agg. Burglary/Burglary	387	464	343	208	179	164	97	93	95	81	61	55
Breaking and Entering	253	325	177	128	103	101	64	50	63	53	53	47
Aggravated Robbery/Robbery	40	44	38	34	27	29	11	23	7	20	11	12
Theft	842	957	775	648	600	630	501	486	496	509	426	423
Rape	29	50	24	36	10	35	33	27	38	36	35	31
Drug Abuse	263	314	449	536	585	619	703	651	658	528	295	255
Drug Overdose (non-fatal)	n/a	n/a	n/a	239	269	259	294	271	207	167	84	58
Drug Overdose (fatal)	n/a	n/a	n/a	33	26	30	42	38	40	45	16	15

Marion Police Officers, prosecutors, judges, probation officers, social service providers and the community as a whole all play a role in these reductions in reported crimes. We can all be proud that Marion is safer today than it was just a few short years ago.

The Marion Police Department continues to be financially responsible with the tax dollars provided to us. We were able to remain within our budget, reduce overtime, and continue to provide excellent service to our community.

Our community remains a safe place to live, work and raise a family. I believe this is due in large part to the exceptional work of the officers of the Marion Police Department. 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.

We are very appreciative of the support we receive from Mayor Bill Collins, Safety Director Rob Cowell, City Council members and, most of all, the Marion community. Not every law enforcement agency receives that support, and we know how lucky we are.

Respectfully,
Chief Jay McDonald

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Chief of Police

Chief Jay McDonald

Operations Division

Major BJ Gruber

1st Shift

Lt. Ed Brown #5
Lt. Jared Robinson #12
Lt. Erica Delp #17
Ofc. Andy Isom #21
Ofc. Nick Esterline #28
Ofc. Matt Cochell #41
Ofc. C.J. Flach #44
Ofc. Dylan Kelley #45
Ofc. Sebastian Walker #47
Ofc. Aaron Adair #65
Ofc. Abby Fryman #67
Ofc. Andrew Decker #70
Ofc. Katrina Rostorfer #58

2nd Shift

Lt. Rob Musser #10
Lt. Dana Jagger #18
Lt. Corey Galyk #19
Ofc. Mason Bischoff #42
Ofc. Nick Geurkink #48
Ofc. Ryan Kelly #52 & K9 Shanel
Ofc. Hannah Greer #54
Ofc. Ryan Beveridge #55
Ofc. Mason Kent #56
Ofc. Kegan Pelphrey #57
Ofc. Matt Mauldin #60
Ofc. Devon Mallory #75
Ofc. Patrick Sterner #76
Ofc. David Miller #77

3rd Shift

Lt. Jim Fitsko #6
Lt. Mark Elliott #9 & K9 Ranger
Lt. Mike Kindell #14
Ofc. Bret Thomas #32
Ofc. Gavinn Scheff #53
Ofc. Michael Starrs #59
Ofc. Bryce Lowry #62
Ofc. Bryon Doubikin #63
Ofc. Walter Childers #66
Ofc. Brendan Damron #69
Ofc. Emma White #73
Ofc. Faith Renwick #74

Investigations Division

Major Chris Adkins

Detective Bureau

Lt. Dylan Reese #16
Det. Scott Sterling #20
Det. Mike Diem #31
Ofc. Justin May #38

Crime Analyst

Sabrina Wittkugle

MARMET

Lt. Richard Wheeler #13
Det. Matt Creps #26
Det. Matt Baldrige #29
Det. Colin Lowe #37

Operations Division

Field Training

N/A

Academy

Ofc. Jacob Bartlett #81

Administration Division

Reserve Officers

Norm Ratterman #302
Kirby Brandenburg #304
Dave Troutman #305
Mike Radcliff #307
Montel Smith #312
Sam Walter #313
Ofc. Austin Shaffer #314

Administration Division

Major Jon Shaffer

Administration LT/ SRO Supervisor

Lt. Josh Harris #11

Code Enforcement

Ofc. Dan Ice #22

MPACT Coordinator

Ofc. Caleb Rector #50

School Resource Officers

Ofc. Shane Gabriel #25
Ofc. Todd Monnette #27
Ofc. Rob Gery #30
Ofc. Dena Benroth #46

Administrative Assistant

Nicole Trent

Records Clerk

Heather Schramm
Tiffany Watkins

Property Caretakers

Amanda Adkins
Dustin Evans

Fleet Manager (Part time)

Jerry Parker

Security Desk (Part time)

Juanita Rosvanis
Steve Walton

Scheduling Clerk (Part time)

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	30	34
Field Training	0	N/A
Military Leave	0	N/A
Total Sworn	40	44

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

Administration Division	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Approved</u>
Major	1	1
Admin Lieutenant	1	1
MPACT Officer	1	1
Code Enforcement Officer	1	1
School Resource Officers	4	4
Academy Training	1	N/A
Total Sworn	9	8
Records / Secretary	3	3
Property Caretaker	2	2
Fleet Manager (Part time)	1	1
Security Desk (Part time)	2	2
Scheduling Clerk (Part time)	0	1
Total Non-Sworn	8	9
Reserve Unit		
Total Sworn Reserve	7	N/A

Actual Sworn	59	Actual Non-Sworn	9
Approved Sworn	62	Approved Non-Sworn	10

Total Actual Personnel	68
Total Approved Personnel	72

*This represents a snapshot of staffing at the end of 2025. Totals do not count Reserve officers.
Sworn officers approved at one time was 69 if funding was available.*

EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR

Supervisor of the Year—Lt. Jim Fitsko

Lt. Jim Fitsko, the longest serving member of the Police Department with over 34 years of service, was voted by his peers to be the 2025 Supervisor of the Year. Lt. Fitsko has served as a K9 handler and a detective, in addition to being a supervisor during his career at MPD. Lt. Fitsko also served as the President of the Steve Young Memorial Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police and a Commissioner on the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission. He finished his career assigned as a 3rd Shift supervisor at the department.

“Lt. Fitsko is very deserving of this award, and I am proud to have him help lead our agency. Lt. Fitsko is a steady supervisor who is respected by his team and the agency. Lt. Fitsko is someone I can count on and I was very proud to present him his award as the 2025 Supervisor of the Year.” - Chief McDonald.

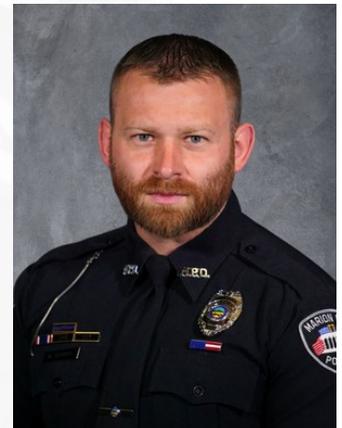


Jim Fitsko
Lieutenant

Officer of the Year—Officer Michael Starrs

Officer Michael Starrs, a four-year veteran of the Marion Police Department, was selected by his peers to be the 2025 Marion Police Department Officer of the Year. Officer Starrs was nominated by his supervisors on 3rd Shift because of his leadership within his team. Officer Starrs sets an example with his positive attitude, his drive to help victims and his desire to make an #MPACT in our community. Officer Starrs also serves on the MSRT team and is a leader with that group as well.

“Any police department would be thrilled to have a team full of officers like Michael Starrs. He works hard, he cares about others, and he is always smiling. Michael Starrs is very deserving of this prestigious award, and we are proud he is a member of the Marion Police Department.” - Chief McDonald



Michael Starrs
Officer

Civilian of the Year—Amanda Adkins

Amanda Adkins, a property caretaker with the Marion Police Department for 9 years, was chosen as the agency’s Civilian Officer of the Year for 2025. Amanda ensures that thousands of pieces of evidence and other kinds of property are received each year and are sent for scientific testing as needed, and are always accounted for. Amanda also lends her artistic talent to the City of Marion in a variety of ways, painting the windows of City Hall, painting the mural at the Homicide Victim Memorial Garden, and painting six of the Cardinals around town.

“Amanda is very deserving of this award. She does a difficult job in an exemplary manner each and every day. We are very lucky to have her on our team, and it is easy to see why Amanda was voted the Civilian Officer of the Year by her peers.” - Chief McDonald



Amanda Adkins
Property Caretaker

VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR

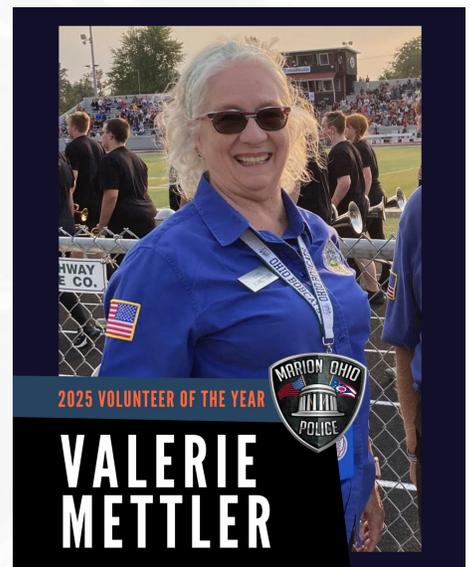
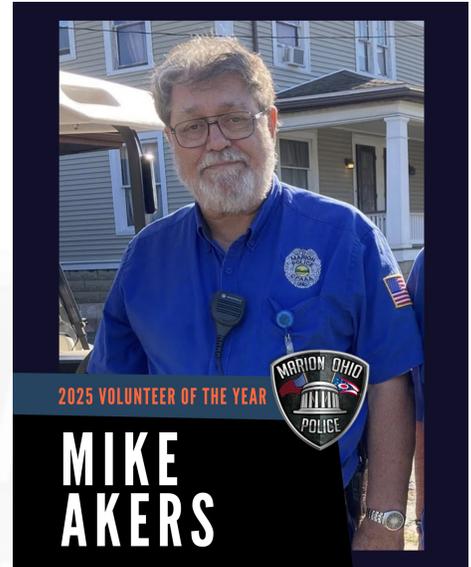
Volunteers of the Year—Mike Akers and Valerie Mettler

The Marion Police Department is proud to announce its 2025 Volunteers of the Year: Mike Akers and Valerie Mettler.

Mike and Valerie were selected for this honor in recognition of their outstanding service to the City of Marion as dedicated members of the Marion Police Department Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAA). Their commitment to community service and support of the department exemplifies the mission and values of the Marion Police Department.

Valerie and Mike are a familiar presence throughout the community, often seen in their light blue CPAAA uniforms at ball games, community events, and numerous service-related activities. Their dedication extends well beyond 2025, as they have consistently gone above and beyond for many years in service to Marion and its residents. The Marion Police Department is proud of the work they do and we are honored to have them as part of the MPD team.

The Marion Police Department CPAAA has contributed thousands of volunteer hours to the community, and we are deeply grateful to each member and their continued service and support of the City of Marion and its citizens.



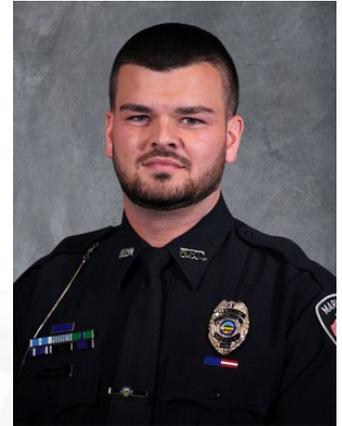
PROMOTIONS & RETIREMENTS

Promotion—Lieutenant Corey Galyk

On 10/1/2025, Mayor Collins swore in Officer Corey Galyk as lieutenant. Lt. Galyk started at Marion PD in March of 2020. He has been a Field Training Officer and part of the department drone team.

Lt. Galyk was born and raised in Marion County, graduating from River Valley High School. He 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 MARMET for about one year. He was promoted to lieutenant at MCSO in 2017 and became a K9 handler in 2018. Prior to the Sheriff's Office, he worked for the Tiffin Police Department for approximately two years.

Congrats, Lt. Galyk! We look forward to your leadership at the police department.

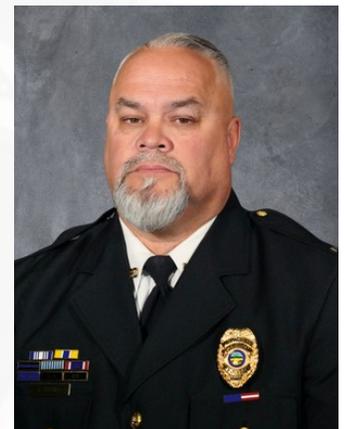


Corey Galyk
Lieutenant

Retirement—Lt. Jim Fitsko

Less than a week into 2026, Lt. Jim Fitsko retired from the Marion Police Department after 34 years of dedicated service. He was hired in November of 1991 and came to Marion by way of Toledo. During his time with the department, he served as a Patrol officer, K9 officer, detective, Investigations Bureau supervisor, and 3rd Shift Patrol supervisor. As previously noted, Lt. Fitsko was voted the 2025 Supervisor of the Year. He will continue to serve in the role of Reserve officer for Marion PD.

Congrats, Lt. Fitsko, and enjoy retirement!



Jim Fitsko
Lieutenant



OPERATIONS REPORT

2025 was a demanding year for the Operations Division, marked by decisive responses to shootings, stabbings, felony assaults, high-risk warrant services, and complex investigations. At the same time, the Division continued proactive community engagement and lifesaving interventions. Crime indicators showed encouraging reductions compared to 2024, especially in domestic violence (-24%), aggravated/felonious assault (-15%), and non-fatal overdoses (-31%). Murders remained at **zero** for both 2024 and 2025.



BJ Gruber
Major

Key highlights (vs. 2024):

- Aggravated/Felonious Assault: **33 → 28** (-15%)
- Assault: **160 → 146** (-9%)
- Domestic Violence: **378 → 287** (-24%)
- Burglary: **61 → 55** (-10%)
- Breaking & Entering: **53 → 47** (-11%)
- Robbery: **11 → 12** (+9%)
- Theft: **426 → 423** (-1%)
- Rape: **35 → 31** (-11%)
- Drug Abuse: **295 → 255** (-14%)
- Drug Overdose (non-fatal): **84 → 58** (-31%)
- Drug Overdose (fatal): **16 → 15** (-6%)

Staffing Overview (Operations Division)

Actual sworn staffing averaged **~60.5 officers** across the year, with **approved sworn staffing at 62** and **approved non-sworn at 10**. Totals fluctuated between **69–71 actual personnel** and **72 approved**, with SRO staffing steady at **four**.

	ACTUAL			APPROVED		
	Sworn	Non-Sworn	Total	Sworn	Non-Sworn	Total
January	62	9	71	62	10	72
February	61	9	70	62	10	72
March	61	9	70	62	10	72
April	61	9	70	62	10	72
May	60	9	69	62	10	72
June	60	9	69	62	10	72
July	60	9	69	62	10	72
August	61	9	70	62	10	72
September	61	9	70	62	10	72
October	60	9	69	62	10	72
November	60	9	69	62	10	72
December	59	9	69	62	10	72

Personnel Notes

- **Promotion:** Lt. Corey Galyk promoted in October, strengthening second shift leadership.
- **Hiring:** Three new officers were hired at the beginning of 2025. Austin Shaffer completed his field training after graduating from the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy but took a voluntary layoff in December. For the other two, one resigned at the beginning of the academy and another while in field training. Jacob Bartlett was also hired in August and went to the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy.

Operational Highlights

Violent-crime response and major incidents

- Multiple shootings and stabbings resolved swiftly with arrests, scene stabilization, and medical coordination (see “Exceptional Incidents” below).

High-risk warrant service & MSRT activation

- **MSRT activation** and multi-agency perimeter/search tactics used to safely apprehend barricaded and violent suspects, including crawlspace extractions and attic discoveries.

Lifesaving actions

- Officers applied tourniquets, carried individuals out of burning structures, performed infant CPR, and executed rapid well-being checks that likely prevented fatalities.

Community engagement & professionalism

- MPACT moments (youth football on Darius, school partnerships, Juneteenth participation, Buckeye Community School breakfast), strengthening trust and visibility.

Exceptional Incidents (Representative Highlights from 2025)

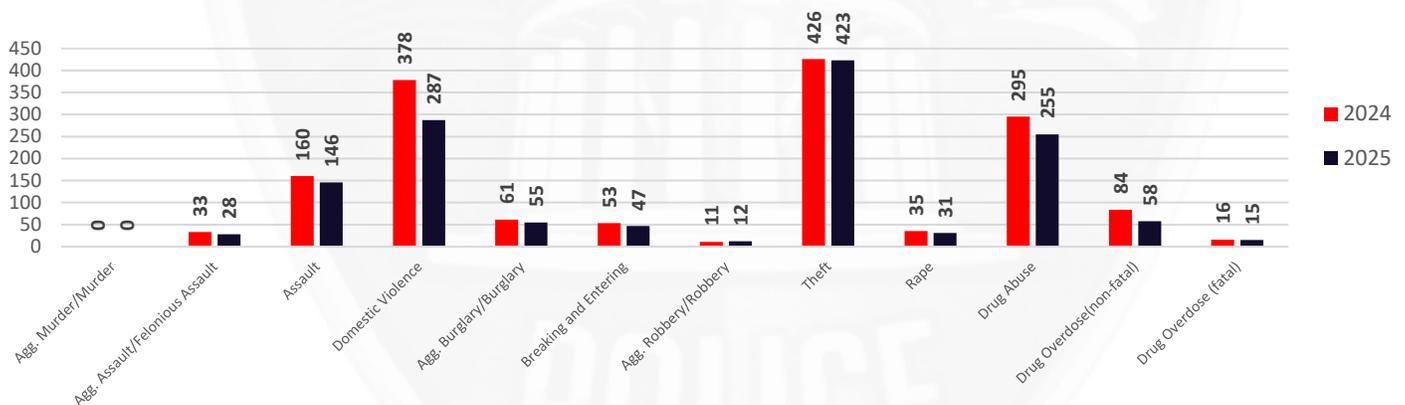
- **Jan 31 — Lynn Dr shooting:** Two victims flown to Columbus; shooter arrested for Felonious Assault. Rapid coordination at hospital and scene. (25-00343/25-00344)
- **Feb 10 — Windsor & W. Columbia shooting:** After a juvenile fight escalated, a round was fired from a vehicle; consent searches recovered the firearm and casing; confession obtained.
- **Feb 24 — Child endangerment arrest:** Neighbor intervention led to discovery of a toddler with alcohol paraphernalia; decisive action helped protect the children. (25-00603)
- **Mar 8 — Apartment stabbings (W. Center St):** Two victims stabbed; one transported to Columbus for hand surgery; suspect jailed. (25-00783).
- **Mar 22 — Violent threats & search warrant:** Suspect threatened to dismember neighbors; warrant obtained and arrest effected without further incident. (25-01025)
- **Apr 12 — Officer-involved shooting:** Armed suspect fired; officers returned fire, and rendered immediate medical aid; investigation turned over to BCI.
- **Apr 13 — Armed robbery (Dollar General):** Quick response and suspect description developed from scene evidence. (25-01318)
- **Apr 21 — Tourniquet lifesaving event:** Severe arterial bleed controlled by Officer Bischoff; squad advised the intervention was potentially life-saving. (CFS2553568)

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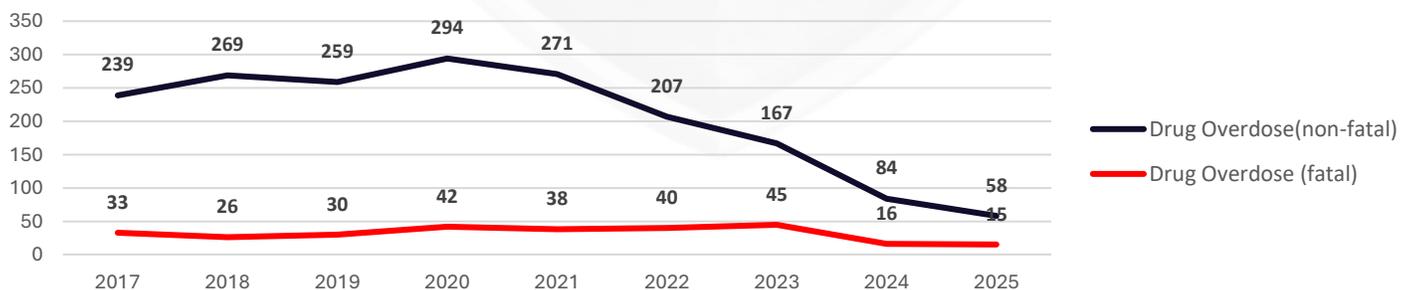
- **May 19 — MSRT deployment (Elk St):** Meth-impaired, armed suspect who chased tenants; MSRT entry and custody without injuries to officers or bystanders. (25-01865)
- **Jun — Stay Fit Training Center shooting:** Single round struck victim’s thigh after confrontation; victim flown to Grant; case stabilized through swift response. (25-02367)
- **Jul 5 — Infant abuse arrest:** Coordinated response and follow-up produced confession; felony DV & child endangerment charges. (25-02553)
- **Sept 21 — Drive-by shooting on N. Grand Ave.:** Bullets struck a residence; multi-agency operation (including OSP helicopter) led to multiple arrests on complicity to felonious assault & aggravated burglary. (25-03760)
- **Oct 16 — Six children safeguarded:** Forced entry for welfare check; children placed; felony endangering children arrest. (25-04146)
- **Dec 12 — Dino’s shooting:** Coordinated stops located suspects; two arrests (Complicity to Felonious Assault; Felonious Assault); broad follow-ups performed.
- **Dec 15 — Infant CPR lifesaving event:** Officer Kent initiated CPR on a premature infant until squad arrival; the baby stabilized at MGH. His quick and decisive actions saved the life of the baby. (25-04941)

Data Visualizations

Marion PD Crime Numbers: 2024 vs. 2025



Drug Overdose Trends



Awards & Honors

- **Supervisor of the Year:** Lt. Jim Fitsko
- **Officer of the Year:** Officer Michael Starrs
- **Civilian of the Year:** Amanda Adkins

Overall Assessment

- **Violence suppression:** Rapid response and follow-through on shootings/stabbings kept injury counts from escalating further, while arrests and charges (often with Detectives/MARMET support) strengthened accountability.
- **Proactive policing:** Traffic stops, K9, and LPR hits yielded significant narcotics and weapons recoveries, and quick suspect apprehensions (including parole/probation violators).
- **Officer bravery and heroism:** Numerous lifesaving interventions (tourniquets, infant CPR, fire rescues) reflect admirable courage and preparedness.
- **Staffing reality:** Operating at ~60–61 sworn (vs. ~62 approved; 69 approved ceiling if funded) required meticulous scheduling, cross-shift support, and multi-agency coordination; despite this, response quality remained high.
- **Demand signals:** Robbery ticked up slightly, and weapons offenses remained a persistent challenge—underscoring continued emphasis on gun crime investigations, youth violence prevention, and targeted patrols.

We enter into 2026 facing significant resource reduction due to budget cuts. Our main priority is to ensure the ongoing safety of our community and the safety of our officers by providing them with the tools to do their job effectively while also resolving to maintain staffing levels.

I am deeply appreciative of the courage, hard work and dedication shown by our officers each and every day. They are truly the best that this profession has to offer.

Maj. B.J. Gruber
Operations Commander

INVESTIGATIONS REPORT

Beginning on 1/1/25, the vacant lieutenant position in Investigations was filled by Lt. Dylan Reese. For the entirety of the year, the Investigations unit consisted of Lt. Reese, Det. Sterling, Det. Diem, Det. May, and Analyst Wittkugle. The unit continues to maintain a great working relationship with the Marion County Sheriff's Office and the Marion County Prosecutor's Office.

The detectives of the Investigations unit work hard to solve the most difficult and complex crimes which occur inside the City of Marion and to assist patrol officers with cases. Their dedication to the citizens of Marion does not go unnoticed.

Most of the time and resources of the Investigations unit are spent supporting the Operations unit on complex felony investigations. This support comes by way of crime scene investigations, search warrant preparations, subpoena requests, and more. A large amount of these requests for assistance are born from various sex offense investigations. Through 2025, Detective Diem continued to work tirelessly in this department. The bulk of these cases lead to prosecution and significant sentencing.

In 2025, the Investigations unit submitted more than 200 subpoenas. The vast majority of these were handled by Analyst Sabrina Wittkugle. Managing this many subpoenas within a year is not an easy task by any means. On 12/31/25, Sabrina worked her final shift at the police department. Sabrina has taken a job within the state prison system moving forward as a Senior Analyst. Her dedication and willingness to help will be dearly missed.

In 2025, there was an increase in the number of cases submitted for prosecution from the previous two years. These numbers do not include cases submitted by the MARMET drug task force.

Homicides

For the second year in a row, the City of Marion had no homicides in 2025!

Notable Cases

- This case carried over into 2025. 04/28/24, Officers responded to a home on Miami St. for a dog bite. An infant child was bitten by a household dog. The bite ultimately resulted in the death of the infant. The investigation/interviews carried over into 2025. The parents, after entering guilty, pleas each received three years in prison. 24-01761
- On 1/28/25, Major Adkins received a complaint from the Marion County Board of Elections in reference to illegal voting. Major Adkins conducted an interview with the suspect and obtained a full confession. He was sentenced to 18 months in prison. 25-00308
- On 2/22/25, Officers responded to an address on Olney Ave. for a burglary report. The home happened to be abandoned but still contained a noteworthy amount of property. 35 firearms were stolen from the home as well as a host of other property. Through the investigation, several different suspects were identified. This case required a substantial amount of follow up. The follow up lead to several firearms being recovered and several noteworthy convictions. 25-00624



Dylan Reese
Lieutenant

Cases Submitted

Month	2023	2024	2025
January	21	15	23
February	21	22	21
March	19	16	32
April	14	20	20
May	15	27	25
June	38	11	27
July	31	13	27
August	18	19	14
September	28	25	21
October	36	27	37
November	13	20	15
December	14	13	20
TOTAL	268	228	282

INVESTIGATIONS REPORT

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- Around May of 2025, Officers began receiving several sex offense cases involving various victims. These cases required follow up and assistance from Investigations. The suspect has been arrested and this case is still pending. There is a jury trial scheduled for February of 2026. 25-01675, 25-01679, 25-01680, and 25-02578
- On 4/13/25, Officers were dispatched to the OK Café in reference to a shots fired report. The suspect was identified and he was located on the other side of town later in the shift. His arrest resulted in an officer involved shooting. Investigations also took over the shots fired investigation at the OK. 25-01307
- On 5/8/25, Detective Diem began investigating an online Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) tip in reference to child pornography. A suspect was quickly developed. Through the course of the investigation, several subpoenas and search warrants were filed for various accounts belonging to him. One such subpoena was for an Apple account. It is believed Apple notified the suspect of the legal process filed and he fled the state. He has been reported missing since 5/18/25. His whereabouts are currently unknown but it is believed he hopped on a train in northern Ohio. 25-01667 & 25-02261
- On 6/22/25, Officers were dispatched to Oak St. for a sex offense. The suspect was alleged to have disseminated some images to a juvenile female that were inappropriate. In the days following the initial report, Investigations executed a search warrant at his home. He was arrested and entered a guilty plea in late December of 2025. As of press time, the sentencing is still pending. 25-02371
- On 7/2/25, Officers were dispatched to Cleveland Ct. in reference to a missing person report. A 73-year-old was reported missing by family members. The next day a body was located in a ditch in Morrow County just outside of Mount Gilead. This body was quickly determined to be the missing male. Investigations responded and worked with Morrow County SO on the investigation. It was soon discovered this was a homicide case with the cause of death being a gunshot to the head. The victim's nephew was developed as a suspect, who is a resident of Columbus, Ohio. A search warrant was served on his home where investigations uncovered evidence of the homicide. The suspect was also located and arrested after fleeing on foot. Ultimately, the charges in the case were filed in Morrow County. This case is still pending. 25-02510
- On 7/10/25, Officers responded to Congress St. in reference to a missing child. Parents at this location found their 11 year old son had gone missing from the home. This child was reported to suffer from autism. The area was canvassed but the child could not be located. Investigations responded to assist at the time of the call and it was determined the child may have been abducted in the early morning hours. Additional resources were requested and we received assistance from numerous agencies to include the FBI, BCI, Delaware Sheriff's Office, the Child Abduction Response Team (CART), Marion Sheriff's Office, and OSHP. In the end, our Investigations unit was able to obtain legal process for the victim's PlayStation account. This lead to the identification of a suspect who was a resident of Veedersburg, Indiana, near the Indiana/Illinois border. His vehicle was located on Flock cameras near the intersection of Davids and Bellefontaine here in Marion. With assistance from local Sheriff Deputies and local FBI agents, a search warrant was served on his residence in Indiana. The 11 year old victim was located, unharmed, less than 24 hours following his abduction. 25-02628
- On 9/22/25, Officers were dispatched to N Grand Ave. in reference to a disturbance. During the investigation, a vehicle turned onto Grand and fired several shots in the direction of two officers and several civilians. The investigation lead to the arrest of an adult male and a juvenile. This case is still pending, working its way through the court process. 25-03760
- On 11/12/25, Officers responded to the area of Scranton Ave. for a shots fired report. When officers arrived, the suspects had left the area but several shell casings were located in the roadway. The investigation revealed four

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juvenile suspects. The four allegedly met in this area to exchange firearms. The deal resulted in a shootout between the two groups. Miraculously, no one was injured and only one parked vehicle nearby sustained damage. All four suspects were located within two days. This case is still pending and working its way through the court process. 25-04493

Finally, I would like to thank each Detective for their dedication and hard work throughout all of 2025. I am looking forward to what is to come in 2026.

Respectfully, Submitted,
Lt. Dylan Reese



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The Administrative Division provides essential support to the Marion Police Department, assisting the Operations and Investigations Divisions throughout the year. Its responsibilities include oversight of the MPACT program, records, property, technology, training, grant coordination, policy development, and fleet management. The Division also prepares monthly reports, this annual report, and completes additional tasks assigned by the Chief to support the department's daily operations and long-term objectives.

MPACT

MPACT—Marion Police and Community Together—was established in 2015 by former Chief Bill Collins and then-Lieutenant BJ Gruber (now Major Gruber). The program strengthens connections between the police department and the community through outreach, education, and ongoing engagement.

In 2025, Officer Caleb Rector served his first full year as the program coordinator. Born and raised in Marion County and with more than five years of service at the Marion Police Department, Ofc. Rector led numerous outreach initiatives, including National Night Out, Books and Badges, and Hot Dogs and Heroes. With the opening of the YMCA Rec Center behind the police department, he relocated his office there to increase daily interaction with students and provide a positive presence. His work has been consistently appreciated by both the command staff and the community.

Ofc. Rector also oversees the police department's role in the Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAA). With approximately 25 active members, the CPAAA provides child ID services, assists at community events such as football games and the Popcorn Festival, and supports Citizen Police Academy classes. In Spring 2025, 18 residents completed the Academy, with 13 joining the Alumni Association. Longtime members Mike Akers and Valerie Mettler were recognized as the department's 2025 Volunteers of the Year for their exceptional service.

Officer Dan Ice continued his responsibilities in code enforcement, collaborating with multiple city departments to address issues such as junk vehicles and discarded tires. His efforts have contributed meaningfully to community clean-up and compliance.

School Resource Officers (SROs) also play a key role within the MPACT framework. In partnership with Marion City Schools, SROs help create a safe environment while fostering positive, non-enforcement interactions with students. Under the leadership of Lt. Josh Harris in 2025, Officers Shane Gabriel, Todd Monnette, Dena Benroth, and Rob Gery served in these roles and excelled across their assigned schools. Additionally, Officers Benroth and Monnette continued to support the Marion County Public Safety Cadets Post 5100, led jointly with the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

Administrative Lieutenant

Lt. Josh Harris was again assigned as the Administrative LT in 2025. His primary focus continued to be department training. Training included items outlined in our Training Plan by policy, annual Continuing Professional Training (CPT), Daily Training Bulletins (DTBs), organizing firearms training and qualifications, any additional training needs that arise, and individual training for each officer. For the third consecutive year, the PD increased both departmental and individual officer training hours overall.

The police department was reimbursed \$97,873.30 for CPT hours by the State of Ohio for 2025. This reimbursement is based on the total number of CPT hours completed (up to 40/officer) and the officer's hourly wage at the beginning



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Major



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of 2025. These funds will be used to continue to provide training throughout 2026 and beyond.

In addition to training, Lt. Harris was the SRO supervisor, providing direct supervision to the SROs and was the department liaison to the City Schools administration. He also applied for several grants. Some of the grants have been approved and implemented, such as the traffic grant, and others we are waiting on official word. Lt. Harris helped with many more tasks on a day-to-day basis and has proved to be an invaluable asset to the Administrative Division.

Administration/Records

Nicole Trent, Heather Schramm, and Tiffany Watkins were all part of the non-sworn staff in 2025. Nicole focused on purchase orders and bill payment as well as processing parking tickets and quartermaster requests. She is also vital in providing any additional support along the way as assigned by the command staff.

Heather continued to fulfill public record requests in 2025, and Tiffany joined as a full-time Records Clerk at the beginning of the year. While both can fulfill requests for reports or video, Heather generally focuses on video requests, such as body cam video, and Tiffany focuses on report requests. There were 2,221 record requests recorded and fulfilled in our online portal in 2025. Each request varies in volume and complexity.

When we entered 2025, the backlog of body cam video record requests was increasingly problematic due to the volume of requests and the detailed process for redacting each request. Due to this, it put us very behind as Heather was the sole person to fulfill report and video requests. It was obvious that we needed a solution and the City Administration agreed to allow us to add Tiffany.

Requests	2025
Online portal requests (all types)	2221
Video requests - prior HB 315 (4/2/25)	18
Video requests - after HB 315	74
-Estimate sent/not paid (\$13,144.42)	38
-Paid/fulfilled (\$1,855.95)	17
-Other (withdrawn, already paid, no reply, etc.)	19

In addition, House Bill 315 went into effect April 2, 2025. It allows law enforcement in Ohio to charge for the actual costs of producing body camera or in-car video. Fees are capped at \$75 per hour of work, with a maximum of \$750 per video requested. Adding both Tiffany full-time and with HB 315, we have been able to respond to requests much faster.

In addition to requests, Heather also handles the sealing and expungement of records sent from the courts. Tiffany also handles payroll submission to the Auditor's office and special duty requests from the public.

Property

Amanda Adkins and Dustin Evans 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 daily. Amanda completed a more detailed report as part of this annual report.

Fleet

Jerry Parker has been with the police department since 2014 and continues in his part-time role to see to it that our police cruisers and unmarked vehicles are in tip-top shape. Jerry pays attention to the details involved in keeping the vehicles running at their best, getting the most mileage out of each one of them. He works closely with the Mathews Ford garage in Marion and PARR in Bucyrus to make this happen.

Two new vehicles were planned to go into service in 2025: Car 6 and Car 47. Car 6 is a new K9 vehicle for Lt. Elliott and K9 Ranger. Both new cars are hybrids, which are the first two hybrids purchased by the PD. Car 38 was totaled in a crash and was replaced by car 48. Fortunately, Mathews Ford had a Ford Interceptor SUV on the lot, and we were able to reuse most of the equipment for car 38.

The police department also donated six vehicles to the Tri-Rivers Career Center. The year range for these vehicle was from 2008-2016. Instead of being crushed or auctioned, the donated cars were repurposed for their law enforcement and mechanical programs as they see fit.

City Hall Lobby Security Desk

In 2025, Steve Walton and Juanita Rosvanis continued to be the friendly faces visitors to City Hall see when they arrive. Steve retired at the end of 2025 and Juanita moved from part-time to full-time. Officers fill in on an as-needed basis.

Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS/Drones)

At the end of 2024, the department was able to acquire the two drones applied for and granted through the Ohio EMA grant from 2022. In 2025, Officer Sebastian Walker took on the duties as the department's UAS Coordinator. All pilots receive training, including training that covers FAA Part 107. They are also required to obtain their remote pilot certification through the FAA.

The drones Marion PD have are primarily meant and designed for indoor use. This makes it a much safer option for officers and all others involved when going into an unknown and potentially dangerous situation. The police department does not use a drone designed for outdoor use or have a Drone as First Responder (DFR) program. When an outdoor drone is needed, the Marion County Sheriff's Office assists if available.

Flock LPR

The Marion Police Department and the Marion County Sheriff's Office worked together to obtain a grant to reduce violent crimes several years ago. As part of that grant, stationary license plate reader (LPR) technology was added to our crime-fighting toolbox. This technology captures objective evidence without compromising individual privacy. It's used for retroactive searches to solve crimes after they've occurred. Additionally, it offers real-time alerts based on hot-listed vehicles to capture wanted criminals, locate stolen cars, find missing people, and more.

Since the inception of the LPRs, the Marion County Sheriff's Office has been the primary agency for the devices county-wide, including those within the city of Marion. While Marion PD has access to the data, the data belongs to the MCSO and is not stored for over 30 days.

- What's Detected: License plates, vehicles.
- What's Not Detected: Facial recognition, people, gender, race.
- Acceptable Use Policy: Data is used for law enforcement purposes only and not sold to 3rd parties.
- Prohibited Uses: Immigration enforcement, general traffic enforcement, harassment or intimidation, usage based solely on a protected class (i.e. race, sex, religion), or personal use. In accordance with Marion City Ordinance, it is also not used for minor misdemeanor traffic offenses. It is also not used to collect personal identifying information, such as names, date of birth, social security numbers, race, or sex.
- Misuse of the ALPR system may lead to departmental, civil, and/or criminal penalties.
- Access Policy: All system access requires a valid reason. All permitted access must be for legitimate law enforcement purposes only, such as when the data relates to a specific criminal investigation or department-related civil or administrative action.
- Hotlist Policy: Hotlist hits are required to be verified by someone prior to action.

These parameters along with the agencies that the LPR data is shared with can be found at <https://transparency.flocksafety.com/marion-county-oh-so>. The LPR policy is posted on the PD website, and no new locations were added in 2025. All officers received training prior to the use of the LPRs.

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The data collected from these LPRs has been invaluable in helping to solve serious, complicated, as well as state-wide crimes with a nexus to Marion. Just a few examples in 2025 include:

- While investigating the report of a 13-year-old girl being followed home from school, Det. Sterling located a suspect vehicle through Flock. The owner was found to be from Crawford County, on parole, and a registered sex offender in Florida. Additionally, Marion County SO arrested him in 2021 for driving around Kroger/Walmart parking lot exposing himself. The suspect was located and confessed. He eventually pled guilty to public indecency. 25-00325
- A vehicle was t-boned at the intersection of Davids St. and Bennett St., and the suspect vehicle took off. Flock was checked and a single plate matching that description was found right after the time of the call. A few addresses were checked for the registered owner, and the vehicle was located. The driver was served their citation. 25-00803
- Officers responded to a shooting with a report of multiple shots fired. One of the residents was in the bathroom when the suspect shot a .45 caliber pistol through the bathroom door at them. The round exited the back of the house. There was a house and garage full of people there but little cooperation. Flock was used to track down the suspect vehicle. A suspect was developed and charged. 25-01297
- Officer Lowry received a Flock alert for a stolen vehicle out of Toledo. He located the vehicle, conducted a traffic stop, and was able to recover the vehicle. 25-01744
- Officers responded to Congress St. in reference to a missing child. Parents at this location found their 11-year-old son had gone missing from the home. The area was canvassed but the child could not be located. It was determined the child may have been abducted in the early morning hours. Additional resources were requested and we received assistance from numerous agencies including the FBI, BCI, Delaware County Sheriff's Office, the Child Abduction Response Team (CART), Marion County Sheriff's Office, and the Ohio State Highway Patrol. In the end, Investigations was able to obtain legal process for the victim's PlayStation account. This led to the identification of a suspect from Veedersburg, Indiana, near the Indiana/Illinois border. His vehicle was located on Flock cameras near the intersection of Davids and Bellefontaine in Marion. With assistance from the Sheriff Deputies and FBI agents in Indiana, a search warrant was served on the suspect's residence in Indiana. The 11-year-old victim was located unharmed, less than 24 hours following his abduction.
- Two Marion PD officers went to an address on N Grand Ave. for a report of a disturbance. While investigating this incident, a silver SUV drove by and fired four rounds at them and four other residents who were all on the porch. A vehicle description was given and Dispatch, as well as Officer Galyk, located a vehicle using Flock matching this description. There was call history with this vehicle where Ofc. Galyk was able to locate it in the back yard. Ultimately, after a few hour stand-off, three males and three females were located at this address, including the shooter and driver of the SUV. 25-03760
- Ofc. Rostorfer received a Flock alert on a vehicle that was registered to a male who had two active warrants. She patrolled the area where the car was likely to be traveling based on the last Flock hit. She located it and conducted a traffic stop. Two males were arrested from the vehicle on warrants, as well as a possession of drug abuse instruments and falsification. 25-04535

Conclusion

The Administrative Division plays a critical role within the Marion Police Department. Its personnel deliver consistent, high-quality service to the residents of Marion, and their ongoing support to the Operations and Investigations Divisions is greatly valued.

Respectfully,
Jon Shaffer
Administration Major

MARMET Drug Task Force

2025 Annual Report

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Marion City Police Department



Richard Wheeler
Lieutenant



Overview

The Marion–Metrich Drug Task Force (MARMET) investigates drug and vice crimes across Marion County. MARMET is the local component of the METRICH Enforcement Unit (Mansfield, OH) and is governed by a Control Board consisting of the Marion County Sheriff, the Marion City Chief of Police, the Marion County Prosecutor, and a representative of The Ohio State Highway Patrol. MARMET’s mission is to reduce the availability of illegal narcotics, disrupt trafficking networks, and enhance public safety through intelligence-driven investigations, enforcement, and community partnerships.

Representation

Marion Police Department: 1 – Lieutenant; 3 – Detectives

Marion County Sheriff’s Office: 2 – Detectives

Marion County Prosecutor’s Office: Case Intake & Prosecution Support

Ohio State Highway Patrol: 1 – Task Force Officer (Trooper)

Key Performance Indicators (2025)

Metric	2025	2024
New Cases Opened	235	186
Indictments	182	303
Search Warrants Served	80	123
Money Seized (\$)	\$57,110.55	\$63,747.16
Heroin/Fentanyl (grams) Seized	232.8 grams	2,057 grams
Cocaine (grams) Seized	1,393.6 grams	3,449.3 grams
Crack Cocaine (grams) Seized	999.3 grams	1,053.5 grams
Methamphetamine (grams) Seized	1,692.3 grams	2,404.5 grams
Prescription Pills Seized (count)	1,903 DU	1,749 DU
Firearms Seized (count)	91	89
Non-fatal Overdoses (Marion County)	56	85
Fatal Overdoses (Marion County)	10	11

Drug Trends & Threat Assessment (2025)

The MARMET Drug Task Force continues to investigate those individuals and/or groups who traffic drugs within

Marion County. Comparing the seizure trends from 2024 to 2025, we see a large decline in the presence of heroin/fentanyl related compounds. Within Marion County, we are seeing more of the cocaine and crack-cocaine illicit drug, with methamphetamine being on the decline also. Pressed pills containing fentanyl and/or methamphetamine remained prevalent.

Operations & Noteworthy Cases (2025)

Case 1: January 9, 2025, City of Marion

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained a search warrant for a property in the 400 block of Darlington Ct, in reference to a drug trafficking investigation. As a result of the search warrant MARMET Detectives seized 92.78 grams of methamphetamine, one package also testing positive for fentanyl, \$839, 59 Rx pills, and items associated with drug manufacturing.

Nicholas Ulery: Charged and Convicted of drug related offenses, sentenced to 9-13½ years in prison.

Melinda Sumner: Charged and convicted of drug related offense(s), sentenced to 2-3 years in prison.

Case 2: January 23, 2025, Marion County

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained a search warrant for a property in the 2500 block of Marion Mount Gilead Rd, in reference to a drug trafficking investigation. As a result of the search warrant MARMET Detectives seized 353.68 grams of methamphetamine, 1.7 grams of cocaine, one package also testing positive for fentanyl, 1-pistol, and \$12,520.03.

Larance Anderson, was charged and indicted on multiple drug related offenses, and is awaiting trial.

Case 3: January 27, 2025, City of Marion

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained a search warrant for a property in the 200 block of Forest St, in reference to a drug trafficking investigation. As a result of the search warrant, MARMET Detectives seized 122.89 grams of cocaine and three firearms.

Kory Woods: Charged and convicted of possession of cocaine, sentenced to 36 months probation.

Case 4: March 25, 2025, City of Marion

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained search warrants for properties within the City of Marion, one being in the 280 block of Park Blvd and the other being in the 180 block of Silver St, in reference to a drug trafficking investigation. As a result of the search warrants, MARMET Detectives seized 100.94 grams of cocaine, 1 pistol, and \$1,340.

Crystal Miller: Convicted of Trafficking in Cocaine, sentenced to 3 years probation

Julian Jemison: Plead to Drug related offense, currently awaiting sentencing

Deonte Dunford: Charged and Indicted on drug related offenses, currently awaiting trial

Case 5: April 22, 2025, City of Marion

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained a search warrant for a property in the 500 block of E Mark St, in reference to a drug trafficking investigation. As a result of the search warrant, MARMET Detectives seized 233.68 grams of cocaine, \$1,155, (3) pistols, and one AK style rifle.

Courtney Myles was subsequently charged and indicted on various drug and weapons offense charges; he is currently awaiting trial in Marion County Common Pleas Court.

Case 6: May 13, 2025, City of Marion

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained a search warrant for a property in the 900 block of Libby Lane, in reference to a drug trafficking investigation. As a result of the search warrant MARMET Detectives seized 39.89 grams of methamphetamine, one package also testing positive for fentanyl, \$7,782.

Violet LeMaster: Charged and convicted of various drug related offenses. She was sentenced to 4-6 years in prison.

Case 7: July 23, 2025, City of Marion/Crawford County

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained a search warrant for a property in the 400 block of N Prospect St, in reference to a

drug trafficking investigation. As a result of the search warrant, MARMET Detectives seized 38.4 grams of cocaine and \$2,508.

Raheem Brown: Charged and indicted on numerous drug related offenses, awaiting trial

Angela Brown: Charged and indicted on numerous drug related offenses, awaiting trial

Case 8: September 9, 2025, City of Marion

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained a search warrant for a property in the 200 block of Kensington Ave, in reference to a drug trafficking investigation. As a result of the search warrant MARMET Detectives seized 24.17 grams of fentanyl, 1.71 grams of cocaine, \$5,294 and 1 pistol.

Paula Foreman: Convicted of Trafficking a Fentanyl Related Compound, sentenced to 5 years of probation

April Howard: Convicted of Possession of Cocaine, sentenced to 2 years of probation

Damont Roberts: Convicted of Trafficking in a Fentanyl Related Compound and Tampering with Evidence, sentenced to 5-7 years in prison.

Case 9: October 31, 2025, Marion County

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained a search warrant for a property in the 3800 block of Marion Williamsport Rd E, in reference to a drug trafficking investigation. As a result of the search warrant, MARMET Detectives seized approximately 336 grams of methamphetamine, 94 Rx pills, 2 pistols, and \$2,188.

Mitchell Brown was charged and indicted on drug and weapons related offenses; he is currently awaiting trial.

Case 10: November 6, 2025, Marion County

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained search warrants for properties in the 420 block of Owens Rd W and 2100 block of Marion Mount Gilead Rd, in reference to a drug trafficking investigation. As a result of the search warrant, MARMET Detectives seized approximately 49.09 grams of crack-cocaine, 20.34 grams of cocaine, \$1,400, and items associated with drug trafficking and drug manufacturing.

Karlise Owens: Charged and indicted on drug related offenses, currently awaiting trial

Tarik Chukes: Charged and indicted on drug related offenses, currently awaiting trial

Case 11: November 12, 2025, City of Marion

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained search warrants for a property in the 530 block of Pearl St, also conducting a traffic stop with a vehicle, as the result of a drug trafficking investigation. During the incident, MARMET Detectives seized 50.8 grams of cocaine, 4.22 grams of fentanyl, and \$150.

James Jacobs: Charged and indicted on drug related offenses, currently awaiting trial

Karla Tackett: Charged and indicted on drug related offenses, currently awaiting trial

Case 12: November 19, 2025, Marion County

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained search warrants for properties in the 1900 and 2100 blocks of Marion Mount Gilead Rd, in reference to a drug trafficking investigation. As a result of the search warrant, MARMET Detectives seized approximately 15.8 grams of methamphetamine, 650.6 grams of cocaine, 353.32 grams of crack-cocaine, and \$1,420.

LaShawn Mosely was charged and indicted on drug and child endangerment offenses; she is currently awaiting trial.

Case 13: November 25, 2025, City of Marion

Summary: MARMET Detectives obtained search warrants for two properties within the City of Marion, one being in the 130 block of Charles St and the other being in the 390 block of Franconia Ave, in reference to a drug trafficking investigation. As a result of the search warrants, MARMET Detectives seized approximately 112.76 grams of cocaine, 17.5 grams of methamphetamine, and \$9,417.

Curtis Gartrell: Charged and Indicted on numerous drug related offenses, currently awaiting trial.

Community Engagement & Tips

MARMET maintains an anonymous TIPS line (740-375-TIPS) and an online portal (mariontips.org), anyone wishing to leave a tip can utilize one of those two sources 24/7.

The MARMET Drug Task Force receives Tips about drug trafficking and various other criminal activities. In the year 2025, the MARMET Drug Task Force logged over 233 tips related to drug trafficking, compared to the 253 tip entries in 2024.

The MARMET Drug Task Force provides a no-cost training session to businesses, schools, community programs, and other organizations wishing to obtain information.

Inter-Agency Collaboration

The MARMET Drug Task Force is comprised of members from 4 different law enforcement agencies operating within Marion County. We are a part of the METRICH Enforcement Unit, based out of Mansfield, Ohio, and work closely with agencies in the Central Ohio area.

The Marion Special Response Team is relied on by the MARMET Drug Task Force for high-risk search warrants. The MARMET Drug Task Force is in constant communication with the leadership of the Marion Special Response Team to ensure the safety of not only our law enforcement personnel, but every citizen within Marion County.

In mid-2025, a Task Force Officer from The Ohio State Highway Patrol was added to the MARMET Drug Task Force.

Overdose Outcomes & Public Health Coordination

MARMET continued to encounter fentanyl and fentanyl analogs (e.g., para-Fluorofentanyl, acetyl fentanyl) as the primary drivers of overdose risk. Marion County has seen a consistent decline in reported drug overdoses, down 34% from 2024 and down nearly 67% from 2023. Drug overdose related deaths remained about the same in 2025 as 2024; however, the Marion County Coroner's office is still awaiting some finalized reports and this number could change.

The MARMET Drug Task Force has a member assigned to assist the Marion Municipal M.A.R.C. (Drug) Court.

Conclusion

MARMET remains committed to protecting Marion County by aggressively pursuing drug traffickers and supporting prevention and treatment partners to reduce harm.

We would also like to congratulate Major Chris Adkins, who was named the Ohio-NARCO Task Force Commander of the Year for 2025!

Respectfully submitted,
Lieutenant Richard Wheeler
MARMET Drug Task Force – Supervisor
Marion City Police Department

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2025 was Officer Rector's first year as the MPACT Officer. Officer Rector picked up right where Lt. Brown left off, with a ton of help from Lt. Brown. Officer Rector continued to build and strengthen community relationships while always building new ones.

Twenty twenty-five was also the opening of the YMCA Rec Center. A slow start in teen attendance through the summer. However now that school is in, the number has grown to up to 50 kids per day after school.

In the spring we ran a Citizens Police Academy. We had 18 people take the class which resulted in 13 new members in the CPAAA. We received a ton of positive feedback.

Our biggest event continues to be National Night Out. This year National Night Out was held on August 5th in the front lawn of Grant Middle School. This year may have been our largest turn out yet. This is in part due to the years of hard work by Lt. Brown and Major Gruber. We cannot thank our sponsors for this event enough for making it happen.

Over the summer we hosted four different Hot Dogs and Heroes events around the city. All of these were well attended. Our friend Chad, who normally cooks the hotdogs for us, fell ill. Due to this we had to make a late audible and cook all the hotdogs ourselves at these events. Thanks to the CPAAA, SRO Gery, and Lt. Harris we were able to keep tradition up and running.

We started a new and hopefully annual event of Cops and Kids Fishing out at the FOP lodge. We had a great turn out for this event. I partnered with Deputy Allen, Wildlife Officer Grote, and Steven with Pillar Credit Union. We had over 50 kids and parents show up to fish for the day. Thanks to Pillar Credit Union we were able to feed everyone in attendance.

Another new event hosted was a Teens and Cops basketball tournament at the Rec Center. This was very well attended, and a lot of basketball was played.

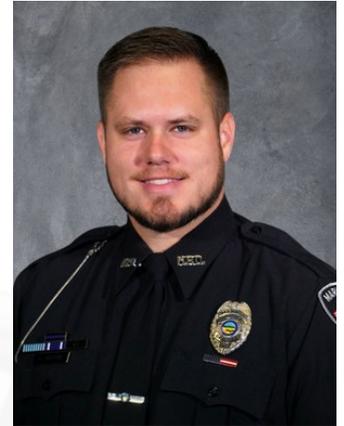
We made a small change to Coffee with Cops. Pastor Steven at Marion Naz invited us to come in any Sunday throughout the year to sit in their coffee shop before service starts and interact with people from the community. The day-shift Officers who work Sundays have done an amazing job with this and are there nearly every Sunday interacting with the community.

Faith and Blue was hosted at Founders Park on October 12th. This was very well attended, and we had lots of fun playing games and worshipping with community members.

Our last MPACT event of the year was Cops Cookies and Cocoa. We moved this event back to Grant Middle School again this year. We unintentionally planned this on the coldest day of the year. This hurt the attendance, but we still had a great turn out of kids and parents. They enjoyed crafts, cookies, cocoa, and meeting Santa.

Officer Rector and Lt. Harris went to SRO School this year to be better suited to help fill in at the schools when the SROs are off. We also started giving patrol officers tours of the school buildings this year. We are going to continue this through the new year and eventually expand it to the deputies as well as touring the county schools.

We conducted seat belt checks at Harding again for prom week. Thanks to our generous donors, we were able to hand out prizes for those students wearing seat belts.



Caleb Rector
Officer



I attended many non-MPACT organized events. Some of the events included the Polar Plunge, Academic Nights and festivals at the elementary schools, Drug Free Marion Family Day, Safe Kids Poster Awards, YMCA Healthy Kids Day, several community easter egg hunts, Marion K9 project Car Show, Cadets Car Show, Marion General mental health walk, Kingston Senior Expo, Latino fair, Waldo Fest, Rockin' Poppin' summer fest, MRDD Summer Bash, Story Time at the Jerzee, Center Street Community Clinic community cook out, Strongest Town Party, 9/11 first responders tribute at Meadows of Marion, First Responders tribute at Elgin football game, Drug Free Marion Teen Rally, Senior Resource Fair, Rec Center Fall Fest, Mayors Breakfast, Retiree lunch, several trunk or treats and trick or treats throughout the community, American Legion first responders appreciation breakfast, Drug Free Marion Trauma Conference, FOP Shop with a Cop, Christmas Peanut Push, Lighted Truck Christmas Parade and tree lighting, Christmas lights toy drive at the fairgrounds, Operation Santa Sleigh to Children's Hospital, and many more.

This year was also a busy year for community presentations. The most popular presentation being de-escalation, followed closely by senior scams. Below is a list of presentations given. Lt. Harris and I also did a few building safety assessments and attended several evacuation drills at the schools.

Community Presentations

- De-escalation- 8
- Senior Scams- 5
- Life talks with teens- 4
- Internet safety-2
- Bank Robberies-1
- Crase-1
- CPR-1

I took on a few new MPACT Roles this year. I accepted a board position with Mobile Meals of Marion County. They are a non-profit organization, non-government assisted meal program that feeds people for less than 7 dollars a day. These meals are delivered by volunteers as well.

I had the privilege of attending the Professionalizing Law Enforcement–Community Engagement Training (PLECET) National Conference in Chicago. This is the national community policing conference. Myself and Deputy Allen were able to go together and had a great time networking and attending workshops with community officers from all 50 states.

We continued our strong tradition of playing against and with our friends from the Marion County Board of Developmental Disabilities. We joined them this year for Volleyball, kickball, and baseball.

There is no way to put into words to say how great a year we have had in the community.

Respectfully written,
Officer Rector

MPACT REPORT



MPACT REPORT



HARDING HIGH SCHOOL SRO REPORT

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As the School Resource Officer at Harding High School in 2025, my responsibilities extended well beyond maintaining campus security. I was an active and engaged member of the school community, committed to creating a safe, supportive environment for both students and staff. Throughout the year, I developed strong relationships with students and faculty. I worked closely with Assistant Principal Mr. Wheeler to continue conducting scheduled safety drills, ensuring the school remained prepared and informed. I also attended numerous sporting events to support students while maintaining a safe atmosphere. Following winter break, my presence and responsibilities continued across many areas of school life as the new year began.

In the spring, prom was the much anticipated event. Officer Gery, Officer Gabriel, Officer Monnette and I partnered with Teen Institute to hand out tickets to students driving into school wearing their seatbelt. The tickets were placed in a bucket to be drawn for many prizes. All of the SRO's provided security at the Palace May Pavilion for the Prom dance on April 26th.

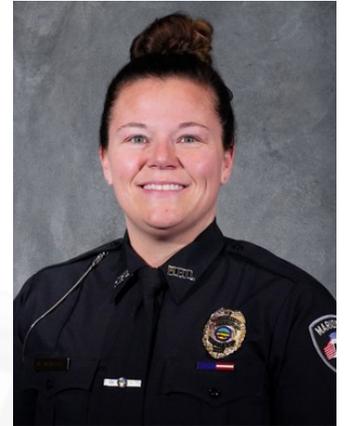
I attended the Marion County Public Safety Cadets meetings as a mentor/instructor. I helped instruct topics of learning and conduct scenarios for the topics to prepare for competitions. At the beginning of the year the Cadets held a firearm raffle as a fundraiser. On May 3rd the Cadets travelled to Westerville North High School where they competed against other Cadets from around Ohio. One Cadet won an individual award in marksmanship and one group placed in the burglary scenario. On May 17th, the Public Safety Cadets held their Second Annual Car Show to raise funds for competitions and equipment. Through the lessons, hands on activities, and scenarios they experience in the weekly meetings, the Cadets have made personal strides that are inspiring. The Marion County Public Safety Cadets program continues to grow and educate the future officers of Marion County.

From July 14th to July 18th, the Cadets traveled to Ontario, California to attend the National Public Safety Cadets Conference. During the trip, the Cadets competed against other Cadet and Explorer groups from across the country. In addition to the conference events, we visited the Griffith Observatory and Venice Beach. Navigating the Los Angeles-area traffic proved to be an experience not for the faint of heart. For all of the Cadets, this trip also marked their first visit to California, making the experience even more memorable and exciting. The Marion community and local businesses made the California trip possible with their generous donations to the car show and raffle prizes.

After summer break, the new school year began at Harding High School. I got back in the swing of things by attending weekly administration team meetings on Friday mornings to ensure our best communication and school safety. Overall, it was a successful year at Harding High School as the school resource officer. New head Principal Mr. Todd Schneider and assistant principals are making positive changes and have an intense focus on the safety of the students and staff. I handled several reports where the incident occurred outside of Harding High School. Together we are building positive relationships with students and especially at-risk students that could potentially be life changing for them.

Criminal Filings at Harding High School

- Assault—2
- D.O.C. Fighting—1
- Emergency Hospitalization—1
- Illegal Conveyance of Weapons—1
- Illegal Use of Minor in Nudity Oriented Material— 1



Dena Benroth
Officer

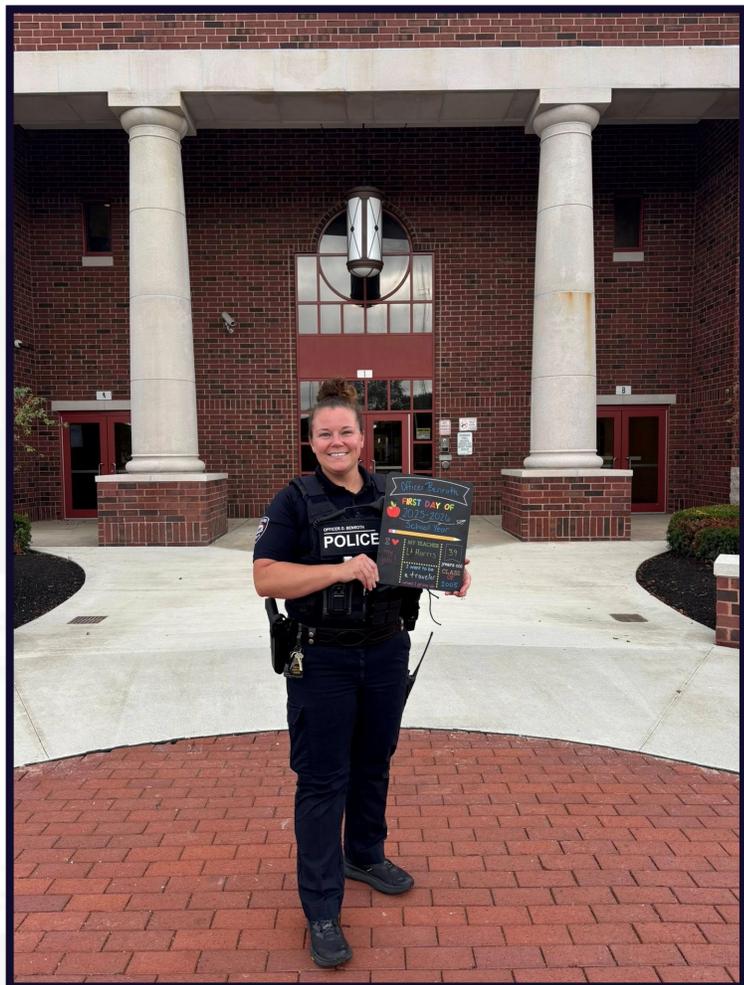


HARDING HIGH SCHOOL SRO REPORT

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- Inducing Panic— 1
- Poss. of Marijuana—1
- Telecommunication Harassment—1
- Voyeurism— 1

Respectfully Submitted,
SRO Dena Benroth



GRANT MIDDLE SCHOOL SRO REPORT

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I am very fortunate to be Grant Middle School's Resource Officer. The students and staff are great here. Every day is fun and rewarding.

On a daily basis I try and stop into the Alternative Learning Center Room (ALC), Mr. Arndt's ED classroom, and also the Reinforced Classroom (RC). This helps me build rapport with these students.

I have also been able to attend many winter and spring sports during the last half of the school year. Many students recognize that I am there and it helps engage in conversations about how they are competing in their sports.

During Spring Break I was able to deliver Blessing Bags and Goodie bags to students. We were able to speak with many students during their time off of school.

The 2024-2025 School year was a great year and I look forward to the 2025-2026 School year.

Prior to the school year starting I put out a short Safety Brief by email to the staff at Grant Middle school. This is just to remind them of the basics as we operate from day to day. The simple things like keeping their doors locked and closed while in class. Policing their hallways in between classes and knowing what is normal and what is not. Then if you See Something Say Something. There is other additional info in the Safety Brief email like a QR code to a video from the FBI about Run, Hide, Fight. There is also a link on how to install their Night Lock. I send a Safety Brief out every couple months as a reminder of things staff can do to keep everyone safe.

I also spoke with all of the new 6th grade students briefly during their first day in the school and talked about if you See Something Say Something.

During the first half of the 2025-2026 School year a normal school day consists of stopping at bus stops, greeting students as they enter and exit the building, interacting with them while they are in the hallway between classes, interacting with them during lunches and also going into their classes to participate with them. I am learning a lot of names and am getting to know a lot of the students.

I also stop in the ALC room, Mr. Rasey's ED classroom, and the Reinforced Classroom (RC) on a pretty regular basis and am building rapport with all of those students.

I was also fortunate to be able to go to Harding's Homecoming Dance, it was great to see so many students that were at Grant over the past two years. Their transition into High School seems to be going well.

I sat at Grant Middle School during Beggars Night. It was fun to see so many of Grant Middle Schools students and their families.

During the day to day operations at the school I have many opportunities to mentor students on appropriate behavior at school and in the community. I have also been able to attend fall and winter sports at Grant. This continues to help build rapport with these young student athletes.

I attended a Thanksgiving Feast put on by the SLC's. The food was excellent and it was fun interacting with the students during this meal.

In December I was able to help with the Cops, Cocoa, and Kids. Fun was had by all and we got to interact with sev-



Rob Gery
Officer

GRANT MIDDLE SCHOOL SRO REPORT

eral Grant Middle School students.

During Winter Break I was able to deliver Blessing Bags to students. Thanks Officer Rector for picking up more bags that were donated by Sahara Columbus. It was awesome connecting with all of the Grant Middle School Students outside of School.

It's been a great year at Grant Middle School. I look forward to the rest of this school year and hopefully many more.

SRO Rob Gery

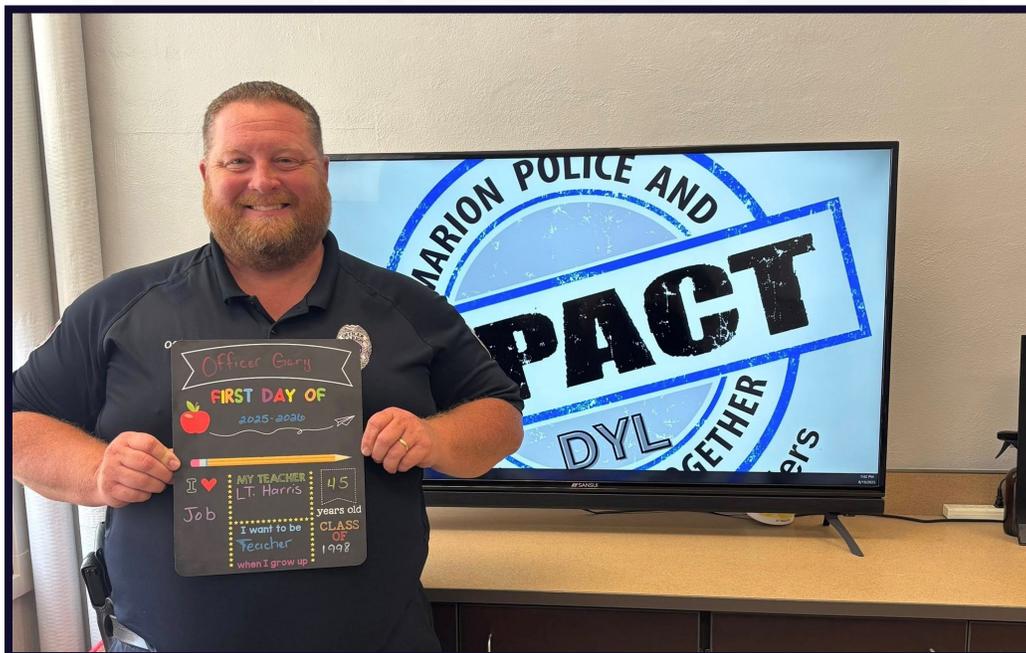
Reports sent to the Juvenile Prosecutor's Office for Charges

End of School Year 2024-2025

- 2025-00482 Unruly Juvenile
- 2025-00498 Assault
- 2025-01162 Assault
- 2025-01323 Assault
- 2025-01560 Trespassing
- 2025-01637 Theft
- 2025-01889 DOC Fighting

Beginning of 2025-2026 School Year

- 2025-03801 Assault
- 2025-04009 Disorderly Conduct
- 2025-04136 Assault
- 2025-04746 Assault
- 2025-04883 Assault
- 2025-04945 Disseminating Harmful Material to Juveniles
- 2025-04959 Assault



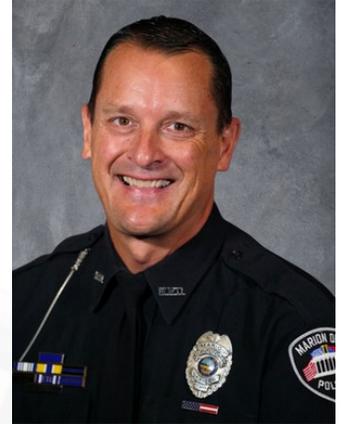
SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER REPORT

As the 2025 school year concluded, my assigned schools remained Benjamin Harrison Elementary, Taft Elementary, and George Washington Elementary. Shortly after the new school year started in August, it was determined that I would also cover Hayes Elementary School so Officer Monnette could spend more time at Growing Minds.

I have continued being active in the Safety City Program, Books and Badges, and The Buckle Up with Brutus program educating second graders about the importance of boosters and safety belts.

I also coordinate and participate in all evacuation and lockdown drills at the schools. Sometimes this will consist of simply locking down in a classroom all the way up to evacuating the entire school and walking to the school's designated evacuation point.

I attended Homecoming, Prom, and Graduation. Below is a list showing the number of programs I was a part of and also criminal calls. I still have a lot of events to schedule during the remainder of this school year.



Shane Gabriel
Officer

Activities and Cases Throughout the Year

- Books and Badges--8
- Safety City--9
- Buckle Up with Brutus--4
- Assault/DV/Sex Offenses--8
- Crashes--1

Respectfully,
SRO Shane Gabriel



SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER REPORT

The 2025-2026 school year for Garfield Elementary, McKinley Elementary, and Growing Minds schools is going well.

I've assisted the school ESP's in locating students with attendance issues and getting them back into the school setting. Talked to many students about behavioral issues.

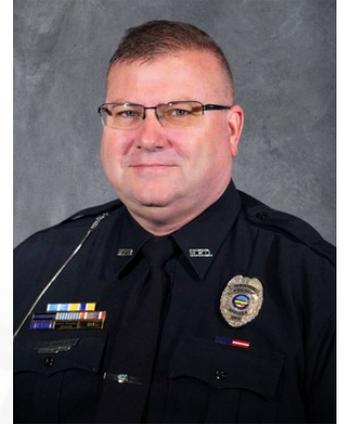
Tornado, fire, and active attacker drills are current. School buildings are checked daily for security issues. School staff have been doing great at making sure no doors were left opened. Elementary school bus stops issues are at a minimal.

Badges and Books reading and Buckle Up with Brutus programs are going great. It allows the students to meet and interact with other officers of the department. Students like that they get to keep a copy of the book which is signed by the officer reading to them.

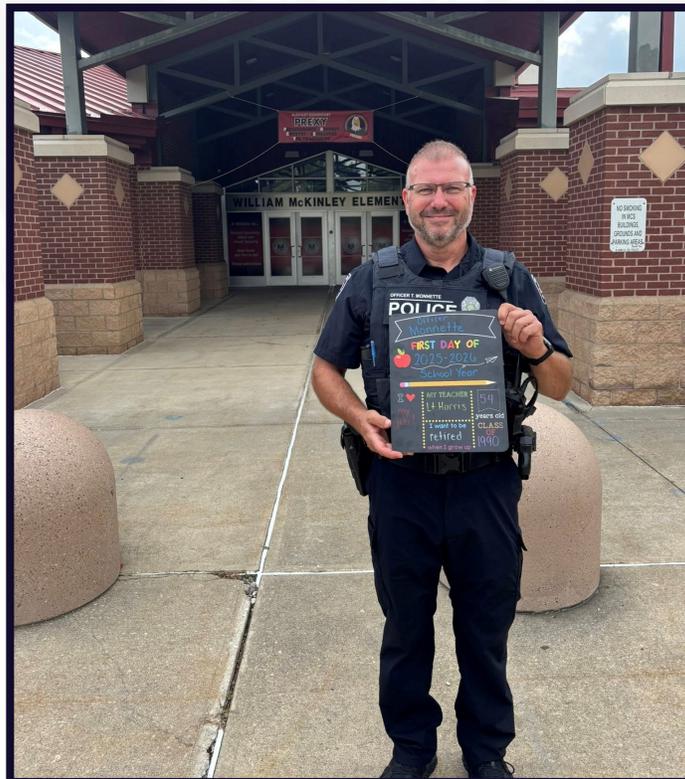
I get involved in school events. Looper lines are going well. Gives me a chance to interact with the students outside of the classrooms. Some of the events are recess, assemblies, Christmas, Thanksgiving, Halloween, and Veterans Day.

Seven reports have been written and sent to the Marion County Juvenile Prosecutor for criminal charges. One stop school bus traffic violation citation issued.

Respectfully,
Officer Todd Monnette



Todd Monnette
Officer



JUVENILE REPORT

During the year, Marion Police Department handled 211 juvenile cases. Forty-two (42) of those cases were repeat offenders.

- 93 cases were forwarded to Diversion
- 118 cases were forwarded to Prosecutor's Office

Of the 118 cases submitted to the Prosecutor's Office, charges were filed on 47 cases, 69 are still under review, and two cases were reviewed without charges filed.

The leading offense for the year was Domestic Violence. Thirty-five (35) juveniles were issued a citation for traffic violations during the year.

Sabrina Wittkugle



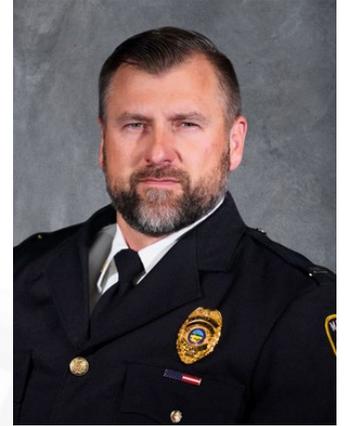
Sabrina Wittkugle
Crime Analyst



K9 REPORT

For 2025, the Unit consisted of K9 Ranger and K9 Shanel. There were no major changes or events. Ranger and Shanel continued to be active in the community and working to keep it safe.

The unit had 246 deployments and trained for over 260 hours.



Mark Elliott
Lieutenant



Lt. Elliott &
K9 Ranger



Ofc. Kelly &
K9 Shanel



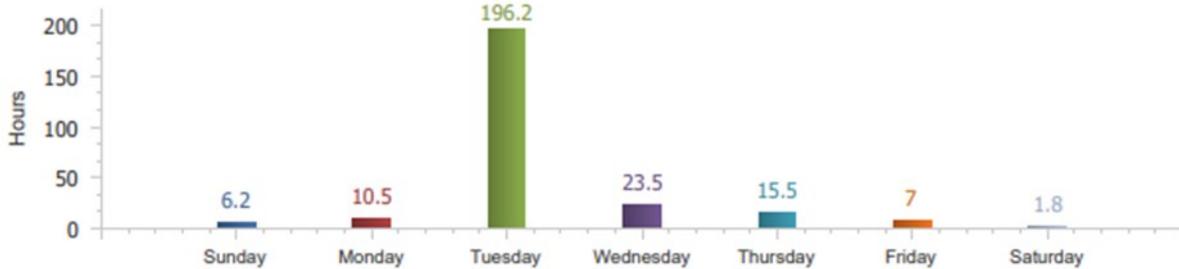


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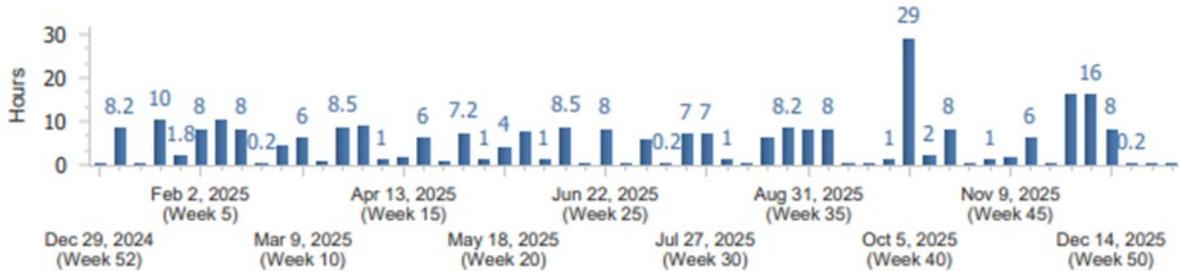
Overview

Total Training Time:	260.7 hours	Total Event Duration:	216.7 hours
Events Attended:	75	Avg. Event Time:	2.7 hours
Events With Training:	73	Performed Patrol Exercises:	107
Performed Detection Exercises:	95	Total Class Duration:	44.0 hours
Classes Attended:	6		

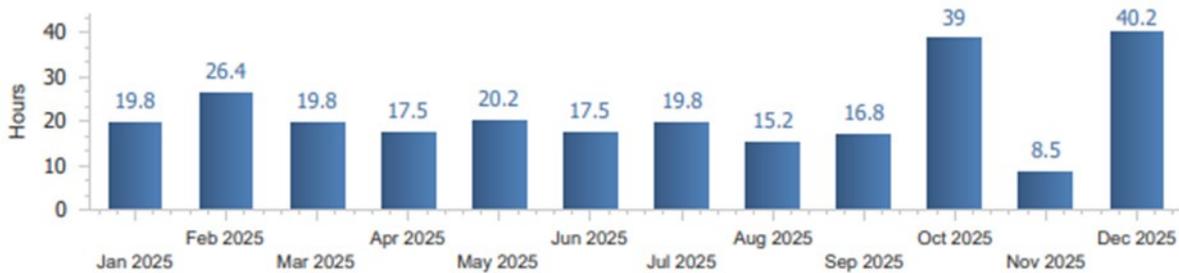
Training By Day Of Week



Training By Week



Training By Month





K9 REPORT

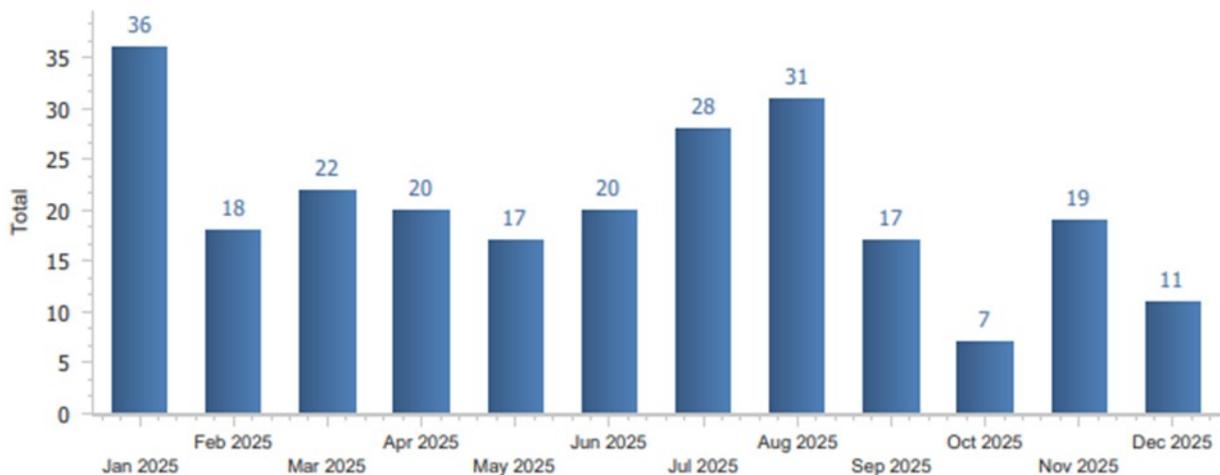
Overview

Performed Deployments:	246	Detection Deployments:	211	Patrol Deployments:	35
Not-Performed Deployments:	2	Dog Not Deployed:	1	Canceled Enroute:	1
Total Arrests:	69	Arrests With Bites:	0		

Deployments By Week

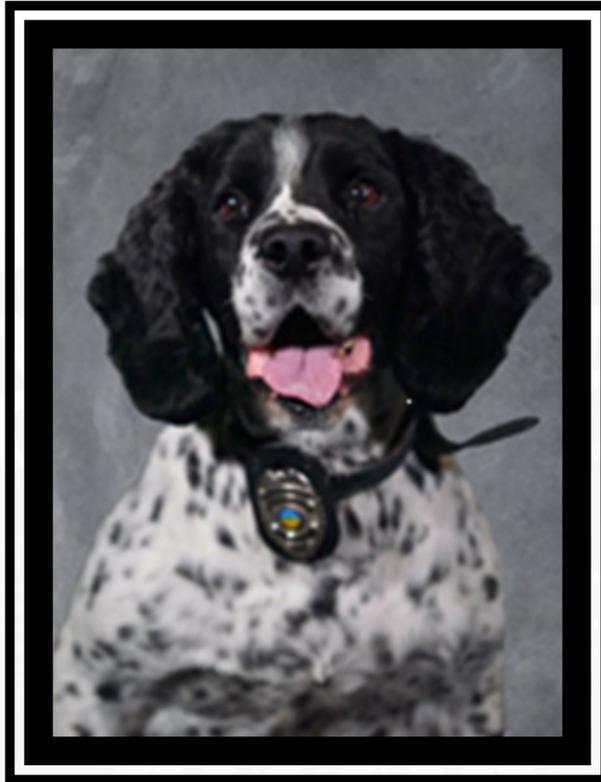


Deployments By Month





K9 REPORT



On January 28th, retired K9 Stash crossed the rainbow bridge while at home. Stash served Marion and communities all over the state of Ohio for 10 years, making him the longest serving K9 in Marion Police Department history.

Thank you for your service!





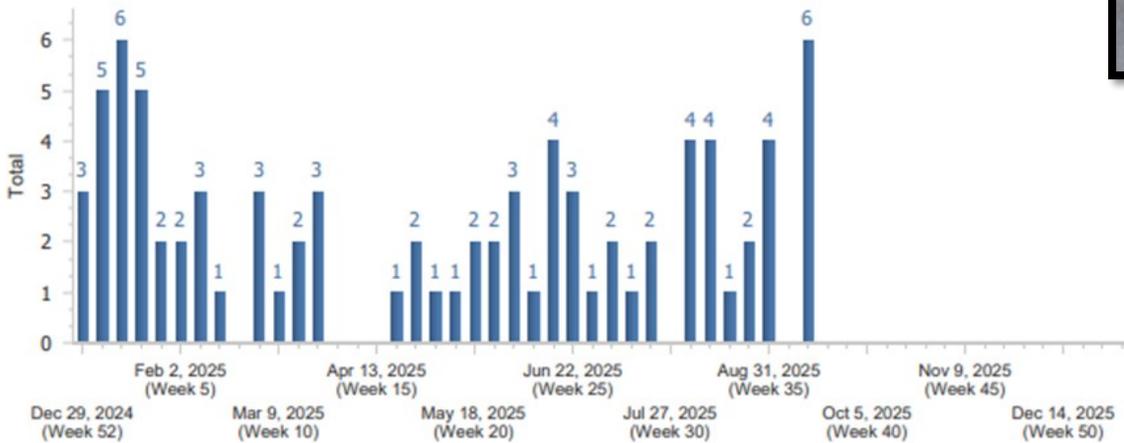
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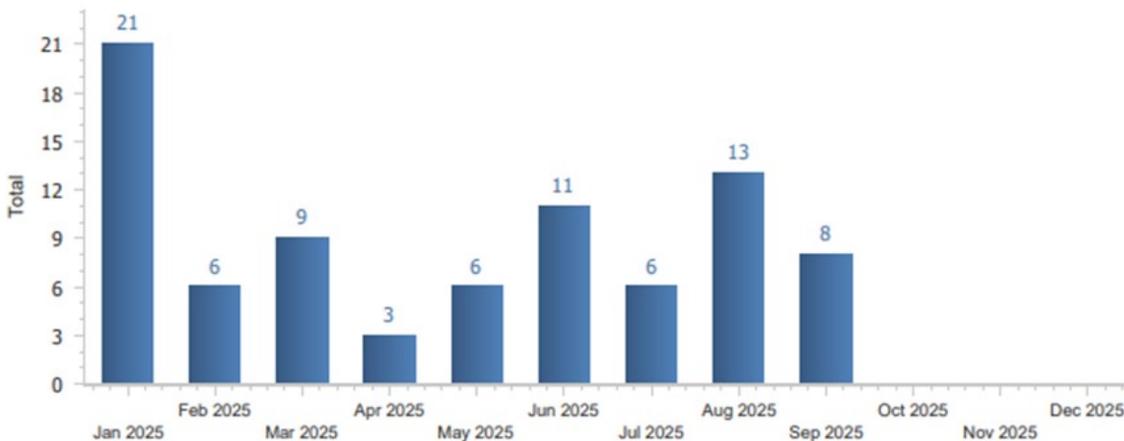
Performed Deployments: 83	Detection Deployments: 73	Patrol Deployments: 10
Not-Performed Deployments: 2	Dog Not Deployed: 1	Canceled Enroute: 1
Total Arrests: 18	Arrests With Bites: 0	



Deployments By Week



Deployments By Month





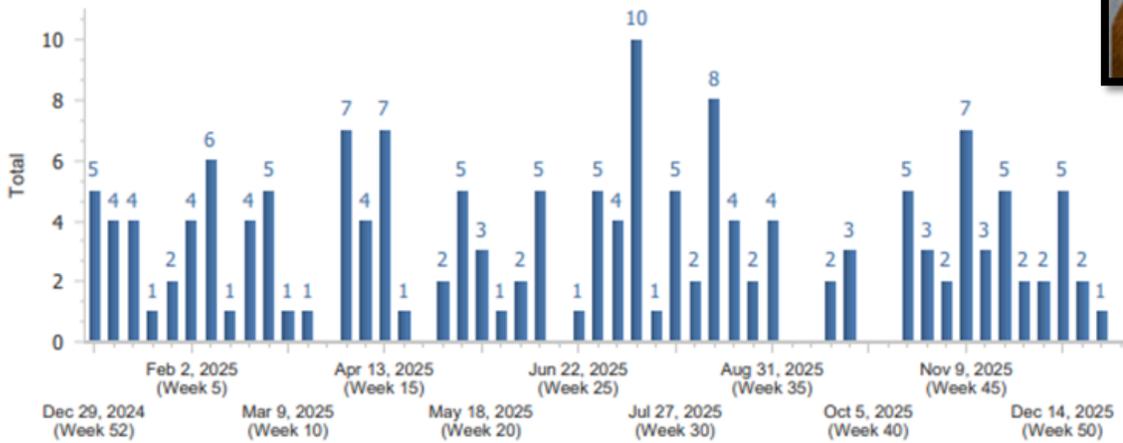
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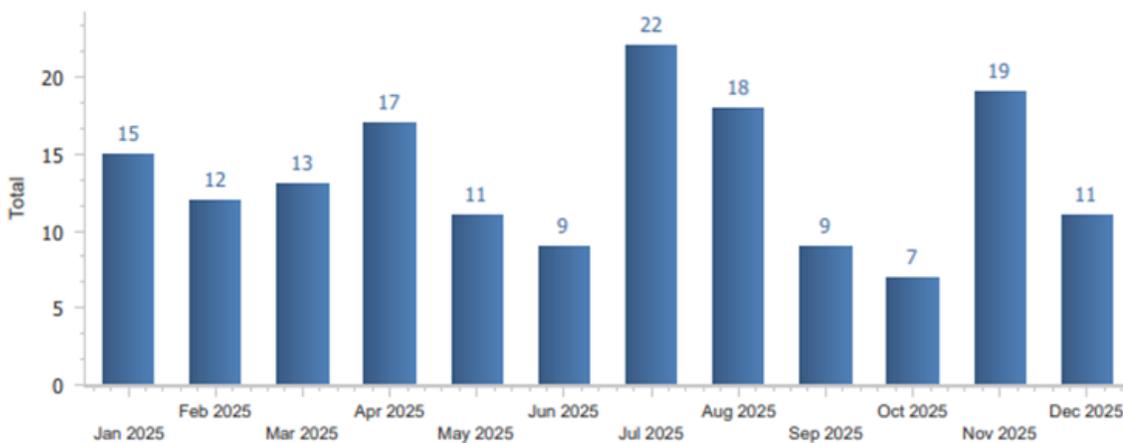
Performed Deployments:	163	Detection Deployments:	138	Patrol Deployments:	25
Not-Performed Deployments:	0	Dog Not Deployed:	0	Canceled Enroute:	0
Total Arrests:	51	Arrests With Bites:	0		



Deployments By Week



Deployments By Month





K9 REPORT





K9 REPORT



OVI REPORT

In 2025, Officers continued to identify and arrest impaired drivers. In 2025, Officers made 79 OVI arrests. This number is down around 20% from 2024. Officers of the Marion Police Department are committed to enforcing OVI laws, and are arresting drunk drivers and drivers who are impaired on drugs.

The 2025 OVI Excellence Award was earned by Officer Kegan Pelphrey. Officer Pelphrey made 22 OVI arrests in 2025. Officer Pelphrey is an excellent young Officer and aggressively seeks out impaired drivers. Officer Pelphrey and other Officers use additional training for detecting drug impaired drivers. Officer Michael Starrs and Officer Brandon Damon also made an impact with OVI arrests.

Alcohol vs drug impaired driver arrests:

- 2025 - 90% alcohol impaired and 10% drug impaired
- 2024 - 88% alcohol impaired and 12 % drug impaired
- 2023 - 74% alcohol impaired and 26% drug impaired

OVI training continues to be a priority. More Officers are receiving advanced training in detecting impaired drivers who are using drugs. Drug impaired drivers are causing crashes on the roadways and causing crashes that result in injury and death. We are continuing to see toxicology results with multiple drug combinations. Cases are being prosecuted at the felony level in which impaired drivers are causing injury during a crash.

2025 OVI Highlights

**Officers responded to the area of Bellefontaine/Miami for a crash, in which the vehicle was fully suspended on a guide wire. The driver jumped out of the vehicle with his dog and left the passenger in the vehicle. The passenger called 911 for help, since he was stuck in the vehicle. Officers found the driver a few blocks over and was arrested for OVI and other charges after a foot pursuit.

**Officer Kegan Pelphrey responded to a drunk driver call on State St and arrested a male for felony OVI. A search warrant was obtained for his blood, as the driver has 10 prior OVI convictions. His blood alcohol level was .230%.

**Officer Ryan Kelly conducted a traffic stop on an E-bike and the driver was intoxicated. The driver was arrested, and he was carrying 58 grams of cocaine on him. Felony charges were also filed.

**Officers responded to the 400-blk of Park Blvd for a vehicle that had crashed into a parked car, flipped, and landed on its side. Officers found the driver to be highly intoxicated, and there were two pre-teen kids in the vehicle. The children were taken to the ER with minor injuries and the driver was arrested for OVI and Child Endangering. Her blood alcohol level was later found to be .277%.

**Officers responded to a hit/skip crash off of E Church St, and quickly located three vehicles in close proximity that were damaged. The driver was tracked down after Officers followed his fluid trail on the roadway. The driver was arrested for felony OVI, and a search warrant was obtained for his blood. His blood alcohol level was .203%.



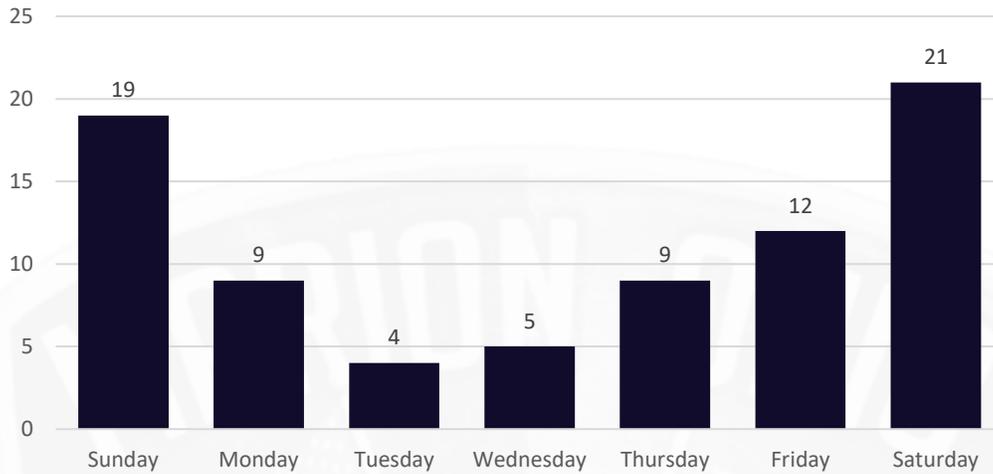
Rob Musser
Lieutenant

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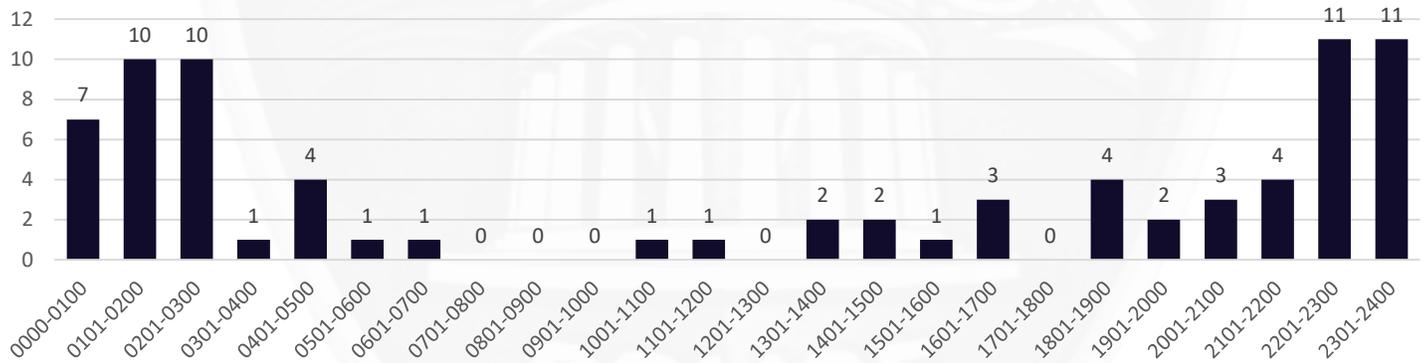


AVOID A DUI, PLAN FOR A SOBER RIDE.

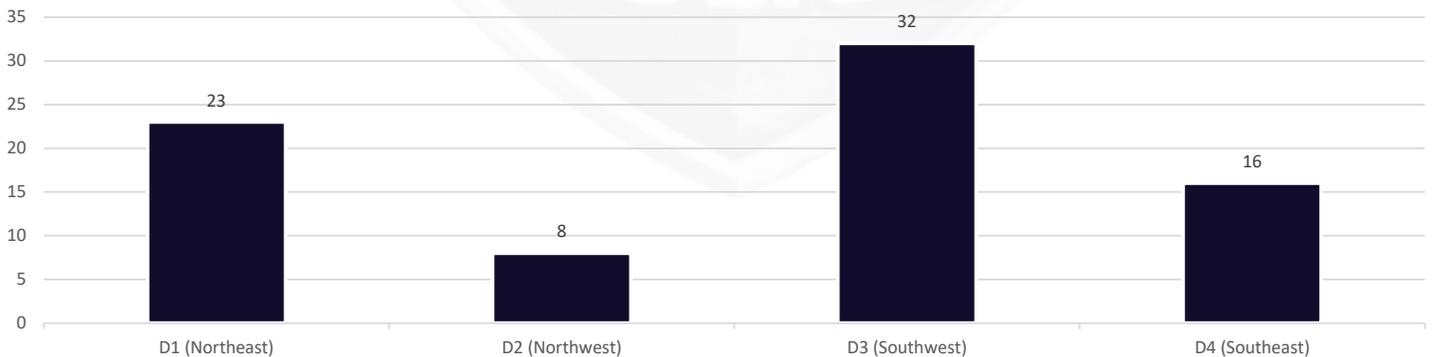
DAY OF WEEK



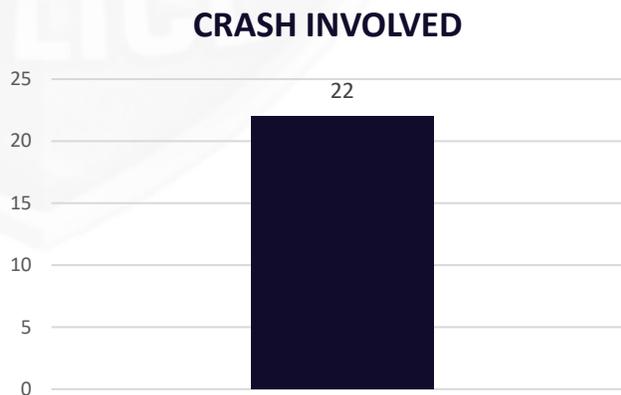
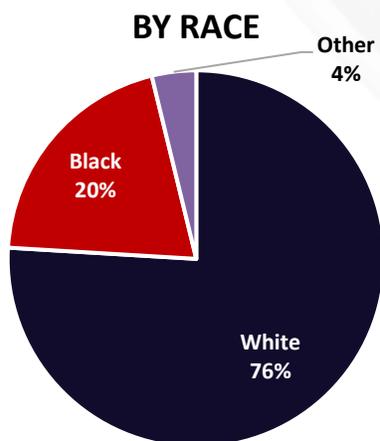
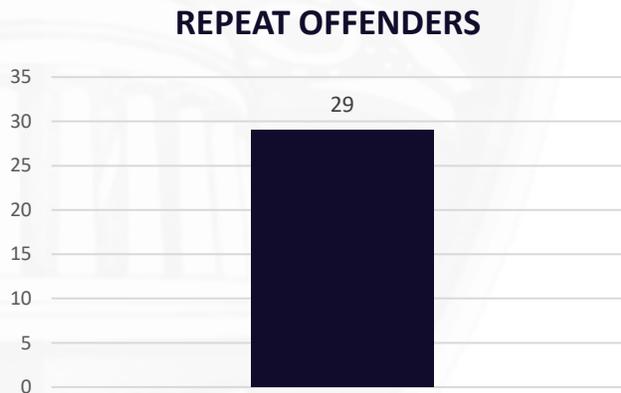
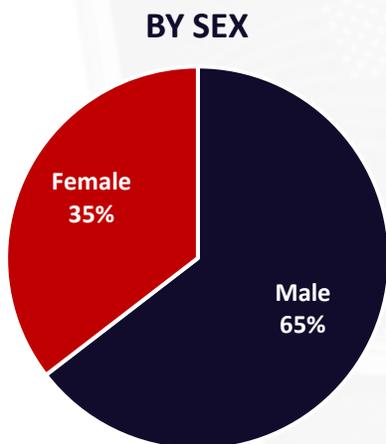
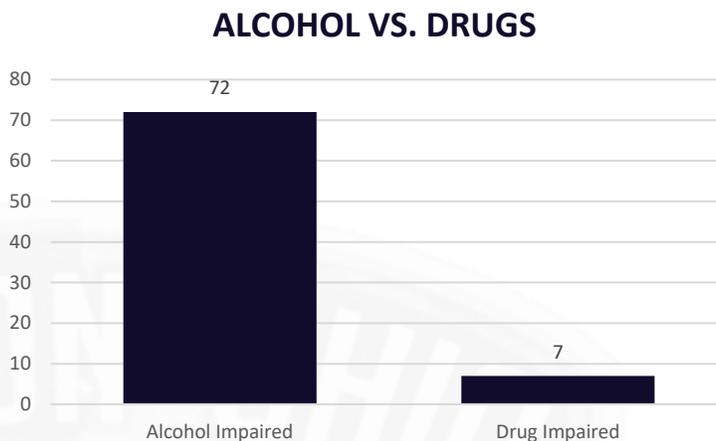
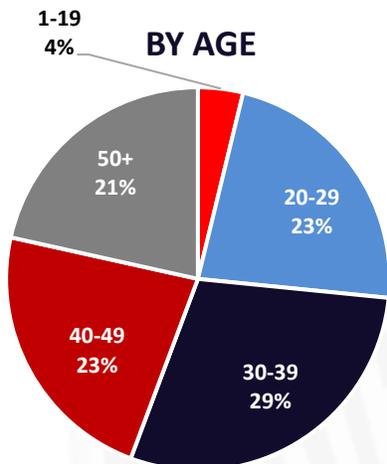
TIME OF DAY



BY DISTRICT



OVI REPORT



OVI REPORT

2025 OVI's

Name	Unit #	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Brown	5													0
Fitsko	6													0
Elliott	9					1		1						2
Musser	10													0
Robinson	12													0
Kindell	14													0
Delp	17													0
Jagger	18							1						1
Galyk	19	1		1							1			3
Isom	21													0
Thomas	32													0
Cochell	41													0
Bischoff	42													0
Flach	44		1									1		2
Kelley	45													0
Walker	47													0
Geurkink	48				1							1		2
Kelly	52		1	1				1			1	1		5
Scheff	53									1				1
Greer	54									1				1
Beveridge	55								1		1			2
Kent	56										1			1
Pelphrey	57	1	4	2	1	2	3	4		5				22
Rostorfer	58	1												1
Starrs	59	1				1		1		1	1	1	2	8
Mauldin	60													0
Lowry	62		2	1	1	2	1					1		8
Doubikin	63							1						1
Adair	65					1								1
Childers	66													0
Fryman	67						1							1
Damron	69		1	1				2		1			2	7
Decker	70				1									1
White	73										2			2
Renwick	74							1		1		1		3
Mallory	75		1											1
Sterner	76													0
Miller	77			1										1
Shaffer	78													0
Stickney	80									2				2
Totals		4	10	7	4	7	5	12	1	12	7	6	4	79

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

MARION SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM REPORT

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MARION SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM

COMMANDER, LT. RYAN WARD

ASST. TEAM COMMANDER, LT. DYLAN REESE



2025 was a productive year for Marion Special Response Team (MSRT). The year brought some personnel changes, some new skills, and some valuable collaborations with other teams.

As some may know, we stepped away from the E.A.S.T training facility at the end of 2024, which means we had to get creative this year in the facilities used for training. We utilized several different locations in and around Marion County to get this accomplished. Two separate months MCI was gracious enough to allow the team to utilize their "camp" on Marion Williamsport Rd. While this facility is not necessarily built like a normal house it afforded us a great space to work on team movements, entries, and active threat response. Mansfield Police Department recently developed a training facility in Richland County. This facility is equipped with a large classroom which has a pole barn attached. The pole barn is set up with a large shoot house with modular walls. While this facility is not set up for live fire, it can handle simunitions and can be designed to model a home comparable to where the team would normally operate. Mansfield PD has opened their doors to MSRT to use this facility whenever the schedule is clear, and we are very grateful. Lastly, the team spent several training days in Mt. Gilead. Just outside the village is a flat range and a large fire tower used for training by virtually all of Morrow County emergency services. MSRT was permitted to use this facility on numerous occasions, and it proved to be extremely valuable for the team in several different capacities.

Near the start of 2025 City Hall installed a new work out facility in the basement. MSRT worked with Sarah from Ohio Health to utilize this facility for nearly every training day of the year. Most of these days Sarah made herself available to administer a group workout for the team. The implementation of PT at the start of every training day has been great for the team. Thank you to Sarah for all of your hard work and flexibility on this!

As in years past, June was a busy month for the team. At the beginning of the month several team members traveled to Kalahari for the annual Ohio Tactical Officers Association (OTOA) conference. This year Deputy Blair, Deputy Newell, Officer Starrs, Officer Pelphrey, Officer Mauldin, Lt. Ward, and Lt. Reese all afforded the opportunity to attend. The OTOA conference provides high caliber training and an extremely discounted rate. It is absolutely invaluable to the team and those in attendance are appreciative of the opportunity. Unfortunately, the annual Special Olympics torch run fell during the week of the OTOA conference. Those who were not in attendance organized a special training day and participated in the torch run. Late in June, the team participated in their first joint training day of the year. The team spent the day at Mansfield PD's new facility training with Crawford County's team. Crawford County maintains a multi jurisdiction SWAT team similar to MSRT. The day was spent familiarizing ourselves with each team's tactics and developing relationships. These connections are extremely valuable in the event; either team needs additional assistance during high profile events in the future.

In July the team welcomed Genoa Police Department's Sgt. Shawn Combs and Delaware Police Department's Detective Chris Bates to the training. Both Shawn and Chris are members of Delaware Tactical Unit (DTU) and are OTOA instructors. Shawn and Chris certified the entire team on ladder operations. Utilizing ladders in operations allows the team to serve high risk search warrants with more safety and efficiency. By happenstance, later in July the team executed a narcotics search warrant in the city, and we were able to successfully use our new skill set.

MARION SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM REPORT

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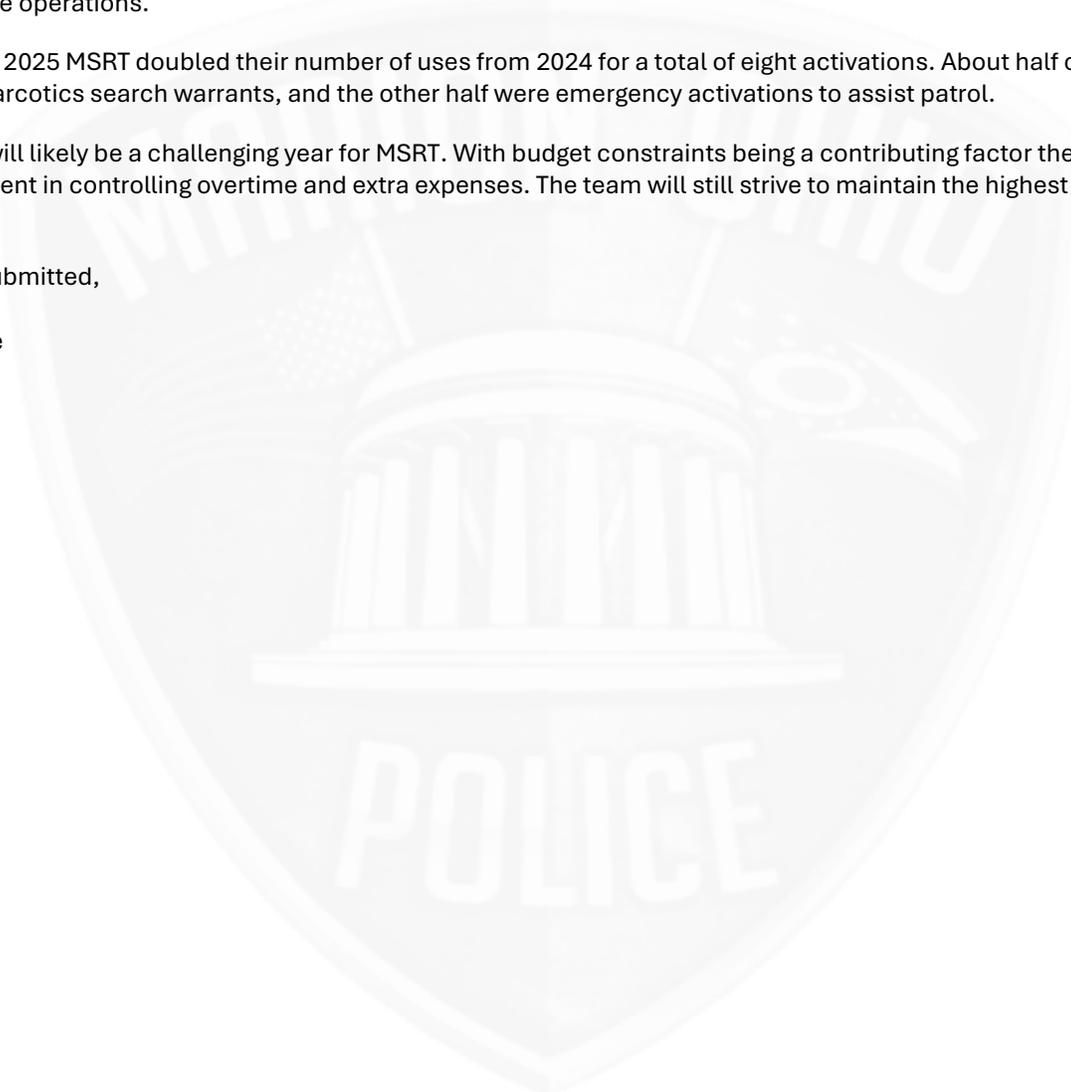
Near the end of July, Deputy Jesse Allen resigned from MSRT. Jesse was a cornerstone of the teams firearms training and was instrumental with the team's technological capabilities (drones and robots). Jesse leaves with approximately a decade of experience on SWAT. His presence on the team will undoubtedly be missed.

In December, the team was able to conduct a joint training with DTU. The training took place in Franklin County and covered Hostage Rescue tactics. DTU, historically, has been the primary team utilized to assist on high profile or lengthy operations. Having the ability to train and familiarize ourselves in a training environment is extremely valuable for inevitable future operations.

During 2025 MSRT doubled their number of uses from 2024 for a total of eight activations. About half of these activations were narcotics search warrants, and the other half were emergency activations to assist patrol.

2026 will likely be a challenging year for MSRT. With budget constraints being a contributing factor the team will need to be diligent in controlling overtime and extra expenses. The team will still strive to maintain the highest quality training possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Lt. Ryan Ward
Lt. Dylan Reese



CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

This year we had a very successful and productive year with Love your Neighborhood Clean-ups. Safety Director Cowell oversaw workers and equipment from the various City departments, including Sanitation, Streets and Sewer to remove a large amount of trash/junk, tires, and yard waste. City and County Probationers used these clean-ups to work off some of their Community Service hours. We also had numerous volunteers from Day One assist in the clean-ups.

These totals include 629 tons of trash/junk, 23 tons of yard waste, 2.8 tons of recycling, 32 various vehicles either removed or brought into compliance. Numerous dangerous and blighted structures, including burn out houses and falling down buildings/garages were torn down. A big thanks goes out to the individuals, organizations and City for providing lunch for the volunteers and City workers.

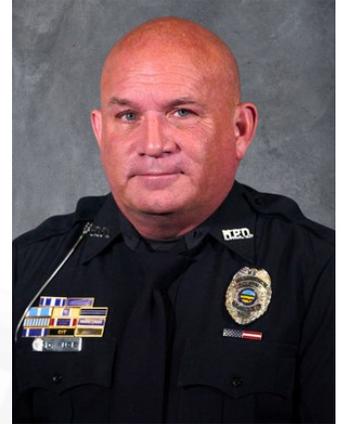
Around 17 abandoned houses boarded up, with some having to be boarded up more than once due to squatters tearing off the boards.

3782 scrap tires were collected from City properties, right of way, alleys and abandoned properties during the neighborhood clean ups and regular patrol. 2018 of those tires were collected at this year's free tire drop. The city has a Grant with the EPA and DKMM Recycling to dispose of the tires collected. With assistance from the City Service Director, we will be scheduling a free tire drop off for the citizens of Marion in June or July of 2026 at Lincoln Park. Citizens will be able to bring 10 tires per household with an ID or other proof of residency.

I had 547 calls this year and worked with the City Zoning Department and the Marion County Health Department on numerous code violations, littering complaints and junk motor vehicles. In many of the cases I handled, I gained compliance from the resident. I issued around 25 citations for various issues. Throughout the year over 100 cars, trucks, boats and trailers were either removed or brought into compliance by the owners.

In the upcoming year I am looking forward to the continuing effort of getting properties cleaned of excess garbage, junk vehicles and tires.

Respectfully,
Officer Dan Ice #22



Dan Ice
Officer

Summary

- 547 calls for service
- 3782 scrap tires were collected
- 100+ cars, trucks, boats and trailers were either removed or brought into compliance
- ~ 17 abandoned houses boarded up

Neighborhood Cleanups

- 629 tons of trash/junk
- 23 tons of yard waste
- 2.8 tons of recycling
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INTERNAL AFFAIRS REPORT

Overview

The Internal Affairs function of the Marion City Police Department is responsible for receiving, documenting, and investigating complaints alleging misconduct by Department members. The Department is committed to ensuring that all allegations are addressed promptly, thoroughly, and impartially. Each investigation is conducted in accordance with established policy and results in a formal finding.



Chris Adkins
Major

Findings Classifications

All Internal Affairs investigations conclude with one of the following determinations:

- **Unfounded:** The investigation determined that the alleged act did not occur or did not involve Department personnel. Complaints found to be frivolous fall within this category.
- **Proper Conduct:** The investigation determined that the alleged act occurred; however, the actions were lawful, justified, and in compliance with Department policy.
- **Insufficient Evidence:** The investigation determined that there was not sufficient evidence to either substantiate the allegation or fully exonerate the involved member.
- **Improper Conduct:** The investigation determined that sufficient evidence existed to substantiate that misconduct occurred.

Summary of 2025 Investigations

Complaints

Internal Affairs investigations are initiated through either citizen complaints (external) or Department-generated complaints (internal). During calendar year 2025, a total of **43 complaints** were investigated. Of these, **26** were initiated internally and **17** were received from citizens. This represents an **8.5% decrease** in total officer complaints compared to 2024. One officer resigned while an internal investigation was pending.

Investigation Outcomes	Internal Complaints	External Complaints
Unfounded	1	0
Proper Conduct	2	9
Insufficient Evidence	1	0
Improper Conduct	22	6
Pending Completion	0	1
Resigned During Investigation	0	1
TOTAL	26	17

Personnel Actions

In cases where investigations resulted in sustained findings and warranted personnel action, the action as indicated in the Personal Action Taken table were taken.

Personnel Action Taken	Internal Complaints	External Complaints
Counseling	15	3
Written Reprimand	3	0
Suspension	4	3
Demotion	0	0
Termination	0	0
TOTAL	22	6

Conclusion

The Marion City Police Department remains committed to accountability, transparency, and professional standards. The Internal Affairs process serves as a critical mechanism to maintain public trust and ensure that Department members adhere to established policies and ethical obligations.

Respectfully submitted,
Major Chris Adkins

GRIEVANCE REPORT

Overview

During calendar year 2025, the Marion City Police Department, in coordination with the Chief of Police and City Administration, continued to work collaboratively with the recognized police unions to address and resolve labor-related concerns in a timely and professional manner. The grievance process remains an important mechanism for maintaining transparency, accountability, and constructive labor-management relations.

Union Representation

Collective bargaining units for police officers

- Blue Unit: Represents patrol officers
- Gold Unit: Represents supervisory personnel except the Chief of Police

Grievances

A total of **five (5) grievances** were filed by members of the police unions during 2025.

- Blue Unit members filed four (4) grievances
- Gold Unit members filed one (1) grievance

Summary of Grievances

Supervisor Promotional Examination – Eligibility - May 2025

- Two Blue Unit members filed a grievance regarding eligibility requirements for the Lieutenant promotional examination. The employees asserted they should be permitted to take the examination because they would meet the required five years of service by the projected date of promotion.
- A review of applicable Civil Service rules confirmed that patrol officers must complete five years of service with the Marion City Police Department prior to taking the promotional examination. Based on this determination, the FOP/OLC declined to advance the grievance, and the matter was formally closed.

Overtime Scheduling - July 2025

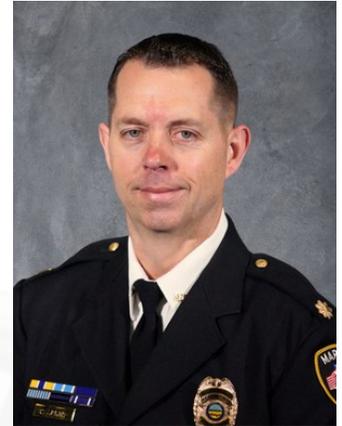
- In July 2025, one Blue Unit member and one Gold Unit member filed grievances related to overtime scheduling. An internal review determined that two employees had been inadvertently omitted from the overtime rotation roster.
- Following a meeting with the Chief of Police, the oversight was corrected. Both grievances were resolved through administrative action and subsequently closed.

Leave Time Bank Usage - November 2025

- A Blue Unit member filed a grievance regarding the required use of leave time banks while on department leave. The matter was reviewed during a meeting involving the grievant, the FOP/OLC, and the Chief of Police.
- After discussion, the FOP/OLC and the member elected not to advance the grievance to the next contractual step. The grievance was closed without further action.

Conclusion

The resolution of grievances during 2025 reflects the continued strong working relationship between the Marion City Police Department, City Administration, and the represented unions. All grievances were addressed promptly, professionally, and in accordance with applicable labor agreements, policies, and procedures.



Chris Adkins
Major

GRIEVANCE REPORT

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The Department remains committed to open communication and cooperative problem-solving to ensure effective labor relations and organizational stability.

Respectfully submitted,
Major Chris Adkins
Grievance Coordinator



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.

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. Every use of force report is then investigated by the officer's supervisor, reviewed by that supervisor's Major, and then reviewed again by the Chief of Police.

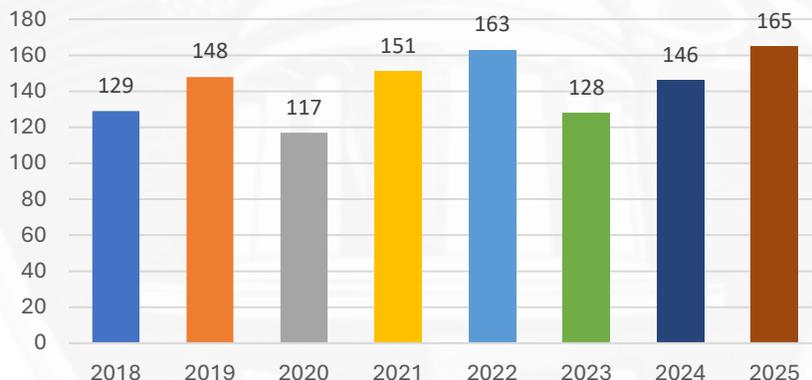
In 2025, we had 165 uses of force. The number of uses of "restraint", the most typical use of force, was down by 28% from the previous year. The use of Taser is down by 31% from 2024. One officer was forced to discharge his firearm to defend himself and others. Lastly, a change in reporting requirements has caused a reporting increase of firearm displayed from 15 in 2024 to 54 in 2025.



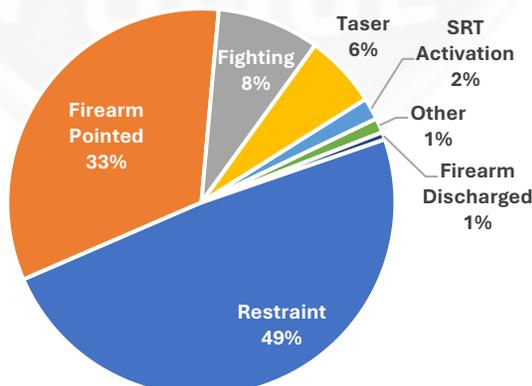
Jay McDonald
Chief of Police

Respectfully,
Chief Jay McDonald

Use of Force by Year



Type of Force



Some uses of force incidents fall into multiple categories. This chart represents only the highest level of force noted.

VEHICLE PURSUIT REPORT

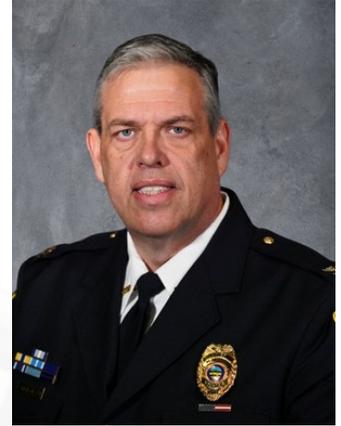
The Marion Police Department engaged in six vehicle pursuits in 2025. This is a decrease from the 12 we had the previous year (2024) and from the 17 in 2023.

By policy, all vehicle pursuits are documented in a pursuit report that is reviewed by the command staff for policy violations. Of the six pursuits reported, four had technical violations of the policy, such as unclear radio traffic. One pursuit resulted in a counseling for a violation of the pursuit policy.

Four of the six pursuits lasted less than one minute. One pursuit lasted two minutes and one second. The final pursuit lasted three minutes and thirty-four seconds.

Officers engaged in the pursuits due to the suspect vehicle being stolen (two of the pursuits); the vehicle being associated with warrants (two of the pursuits) and traffic violations (two of the pursuits.)

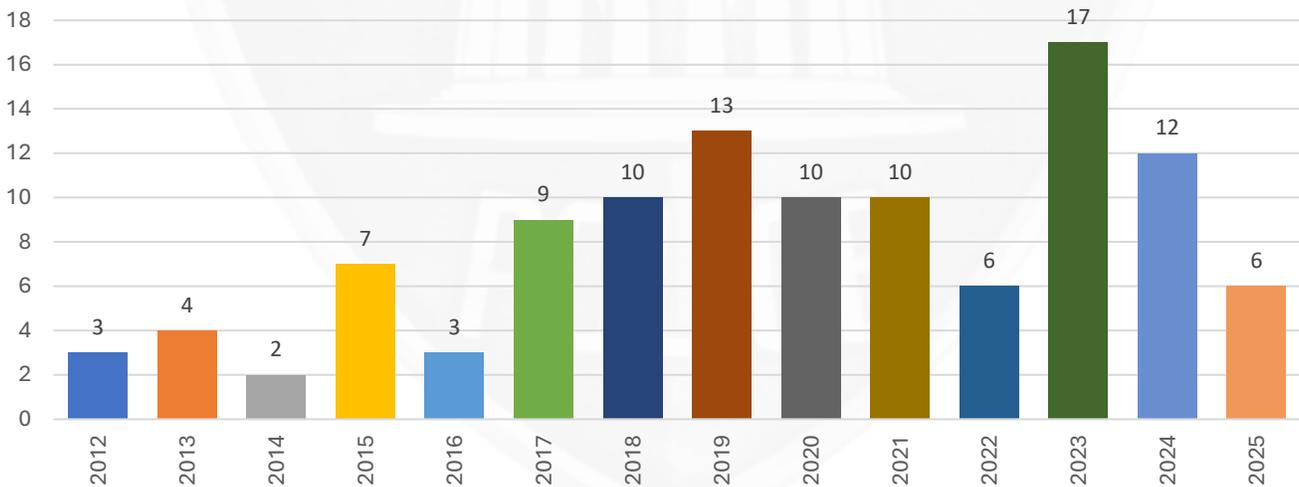
The Marion Police Department has a very strict pursuit policy and the safety of the public and officers is the number one concern. Additionally, all officers with the department receive annual training on the policy.



Jay McDonald
Chief of Police

Respectfully,
Chief Jay McDonald

Pursuits by Year



RECRUITMENT & HIRING REPORT

This annual report serves as the Marion Police Department’s Recruitment Plan. The objective for the department is to attract high-quality candidates who reflect the community we serve.

To further the goal of recruiting qualified candidates who represent the Marion community, the department actively participates in job fairs within and around the city. Throughout the year, Officers Lowry and Rector attended multiple events. In April, Officer Rector represented the department at the MTC/OSUM job fair. In October, Officer Lowry attended a job fair hosted by Marion Technical College, which targets high school seniors already enrolled in college programs to help connect them with professionals in their future career fields. Later in October, Officers Lowry and Rector also participated in an all-careers fair at Tiffin University. These events generated significant interest, and several students completed recruitment interest forms for employment opportunities.

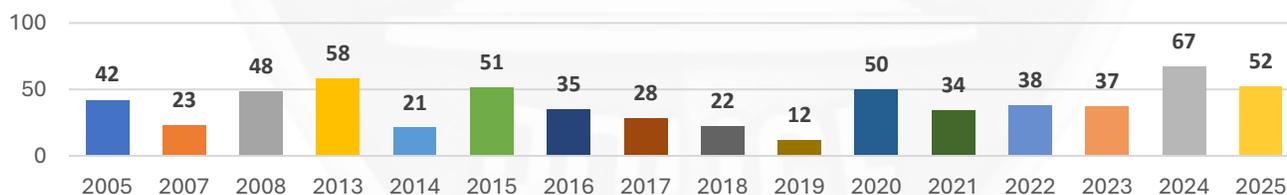


Caleb Rector
Officer

Additionally, our four School Resource Officers play a vital role in recruitment efforts across the diverse student population of Marion City Schools. These dedicated officers foster early, positive, non-enforcement interactions beginning in the elementary schools. As students progress into high school, SROs provide consistent, visible, and professional representation of what it means to serve as a Marion police officer. Two of the SROs are also active leaders in the Cadet Program, which encourages participation from students of all sexes, races, and ethnicities.

We opened our first hiring process on March 3, 2025. Officer Jacob Bartlett was hired from this process and finished the academy in January 2026. We opened another process on July 21, 2025. Due to the city-wide hiring freeze, no one was hired from this process. We received 52 applications through the two hiring processes. This is only 15 less than the previous year with one less hiring process.

Applications by Year



Hiring Process

1. **Entrance exam.** Available through the National Testing Network (NTN) at any time. They also have many locations in Ohio and the US to take it. Candidates must score over a 65% to move forward.
2. **Application.** Applications are generally accepted 2-3x each year when the previous Civil Service list has been exhausted.
3. **Physical Agility.** If the candidate passes the entrance exam and submits their application within the designated timeframe, they are eligible to take the physical agility. The agility is based on OPOTA standards with a shorter run for those with their OPOTA certification since they have already proven they can complete the run when they graduated from the academy.
4. **Interviews.** If a candidate passes the agility, they get an interview. The number interviewed is based on the number of vacancies.
5. **Conditional Offer of Employment.** After the interviews, the interview panel recommends to the Chief who they

RECRUITMENT & HIRING REPORT

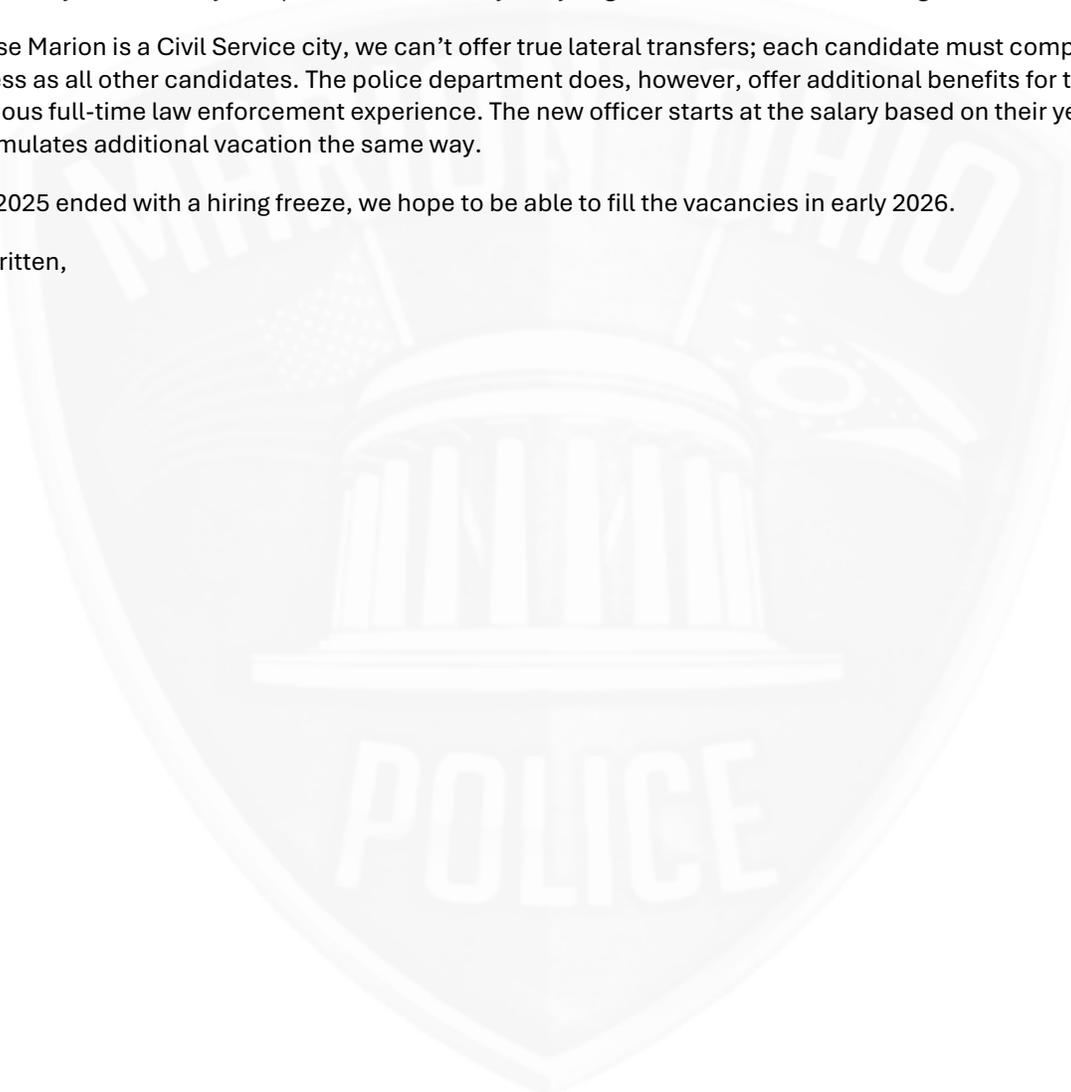
believe should move forward in the process and receive a conditional offer.

6. **Background Investigation.** Employment as a Marion Police Officer is conditional on successfully completing the background phase. This includes an in-depth background into the candidate, a psychological exam, and a physical with Occupational Health.
7. **Swear-in/Academy/FTO.** Once the candidate has passed all phases of the process, they are sworn in as an officer with the Marion Police Department. If they have not yet completed the academy, they are sent at the City's expense. If they have already completed the academy, they begin their 3.5-4.5 field training.

Because Marion is a Civil Service city, we can't offer true lateral transfers; each candidate must complete the same entrance process as all other candidates. The police department does, however, offer additional benefits for those who are hired with previous full-time law enforcement experience. The new officer starts at the salary based on their years of experience and accumulates additional vacation the same way.

While 2025 ended with a hiring freeze, we hope to be able to fill the vacancies in early 2026.

Respectfully Written,
Officer Rector



The Marion City Police Department continues to demonstrate its commitment to professional excellence and ongoing personnel development through purposeful investment in training. This commitment is reflected in a collaborative training strategy that includes participation in inter-agency programs, hosting on-site third-party training, and involvement in multi-agency initiatives. Additionally, department members engage in national-level training opportunities to ensure the integration of best practices and emerging standards within the law enforcement profession.

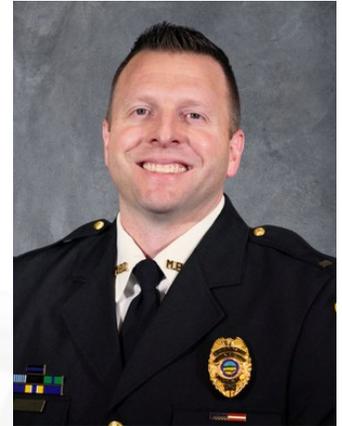
In 2025, the department placed a particular emphasis on specialized and high-impact training. This included Rescue Task Force preparedness, behavioral threat assessment training for all School Resource Officers conducted by the U.S. Secret Service, and participation in the North American Active Assailant Conference in Michigan. These initiatives further strengthen the department's capacity to respond effectively to complex incidents while maintaining the highest standards of professional competency.

Training activity in 2025 was extensive. For the third consecutive year, the Marion City Police Department increased both overall departmental and individual officer training hours. All sworn personnel successfully completed three 10-hour training sessions, exceeding the State of Ohio's mandated 24 hours of Continuing Professional Training (CPT). Collectively, these sessions accounted for approximately 1,860 training hours, with many officers significantly surpassing the required CPT threshold. As a result of this expanded training commitment, the department is estimated to receive ~\$90,000 in reimbursement from the State of Ohio for eligible training hours.

Beyond meeting mandatory training requirements, the department emphasized continued professional development by encouraging personnel to pursue advanced and specialized training across a wide range of disciplines. These efforts accounted for 4,602.5 hours of training, covering areas such as investigative techniques, crisis management, leadership development, and emerging law enforcement technologies. This comprehensive approach resulted in a total of 6,462.5 training hours completed by the department over the course of the year.

Through substantial investment in both mandatory and supplemental training, the Marion City Police Department has reaffirmed its commitment to excellence, adaptability, and community safety. This comprehensive focus on professional development enhances individual officer proficiency while strengthening the department's overall capacity to effectively serve and protect the community, setting a benchmark for law enforcement agencies throughout the region.

Lt. Josh Harris



Josh Harris
Lieutenant

PROPERTY ROOM REPORT

2025 was another productive year for the Property Room. We met our biggest goal that we set for ourselves every year, which is to dispose of more property than what comes in for the year. 2025 was a record year for dispositions and auditing. We disposed of 7,613 items while taking in 3,299 items.

Other duties included completing 3,331 email requests, attaching digital evidence from over 2,000 emails, disks and thumb drives and saved ~16,000 body cams.

In August of 2024, we started a shelf-by-shelf full audit and continued doing so this entire year. During these audits, we are looking at every single case to see if that evidence can be disposed of or needs to be held. If the evidence can be disposed, it is taken off the shelf and is then moved to the designated staging areas in the property room for destruction. After that, the only items left on the shelf are items that are still in the court process. We then run a new report and verify each item on the shelf is there that is supposed to be there. This can be a very time-consuming process but must be done. Last year, I estimated this process would take about 2 years and I believe we are on track for that timeline.

Last year we had some goals for disposing of firearms. We were not able to do a large quantity disposition of firearms this past year, so that is our top priority this coming year. We'd also like to establish a way of destroying guns ourselves. As always, a top goal would be to continue the trend of property dispositions.

Respectfully,
Amanda Adkins



Amanda Adkins
Property Caretaker

Property Room Stats	
Items taken in	3,299
Items disposed (destroyed or released)	7,613
Digital evidence attached to reports	2,000+
Email requests	3,331

Description

In 2023, the Marion Police Department (MPD) received funding through the ARPA First Responders Grant to support the development of a fitness and wellness program, along with additional initiatives aimed at enhancing officer recruitment, retention, and mental health resources. OhioHealth was selected to launch the fitness and wellness program in May 2023 and began providing regular onsite support shortly thereafter.

Beginning in 2024, Sarah, representing OhioHealth, served as the sole Wellness Consultant for MPD. Her focus has been on improving officer well-being by offering a variety of resources and opportunities for engagement, including:

- exercise program design
- health coaching
- group fitness classes
- body composition analysis, and more

Near the end of 2024, Sarah also led the renovation of the department's onsite fitness space. After receiving feedback about why the previous space was underutilized, she worked closely with the department to identify the features and equipment that would best support their needs. As a result of this project, the fitness space was significantly expanded and outfitted with new equipment designed to support safe, functional exercise aligned with the needs of the department.

With the opening of the renovated fitness space, utilization of the new equipment increased substantially. As more individuals opted for independent exercise sessions, group workouts were scaled back to better accommodate overall traffic in the gym. In response, Sarah increased the availability of health coaching and customized exercise program design.

Throughout 2025, engagement in wellness offerings remained consistent. Program data indicates that individuals who participated in at least one wellness service per month demonstrated, on average, reductions in body weight and body fat percentage, along with increases in skeletal muscle mass. Additionally, participant satisfaction with the wellness program has remained high, with more than 85% of respondents reporting positive experiences with the services offered.

Outcomes

- **TOTAL Exercise Programs Designed: 43**
- **TOTAL Health Coaching**
Discussions & Consultations: 574
- **% of People Engaged in at least**
One Wellness Offering in 2025: 88.5%
- **% of People Satisfied with**
Wellness Programming in 2025: 87.5%

Impact of Wellness Engagement on Body Composition

Body Composition Analysis has been offered each quarter via InBody Assessments. Of those that have done at least 2 assessments, the difference was taken between their first result and their most recent result. The average of these differences is as shown (only considering those who have completed at least 2 body composition analysis AND regularly



Sarah Barada
Wellness Consultant

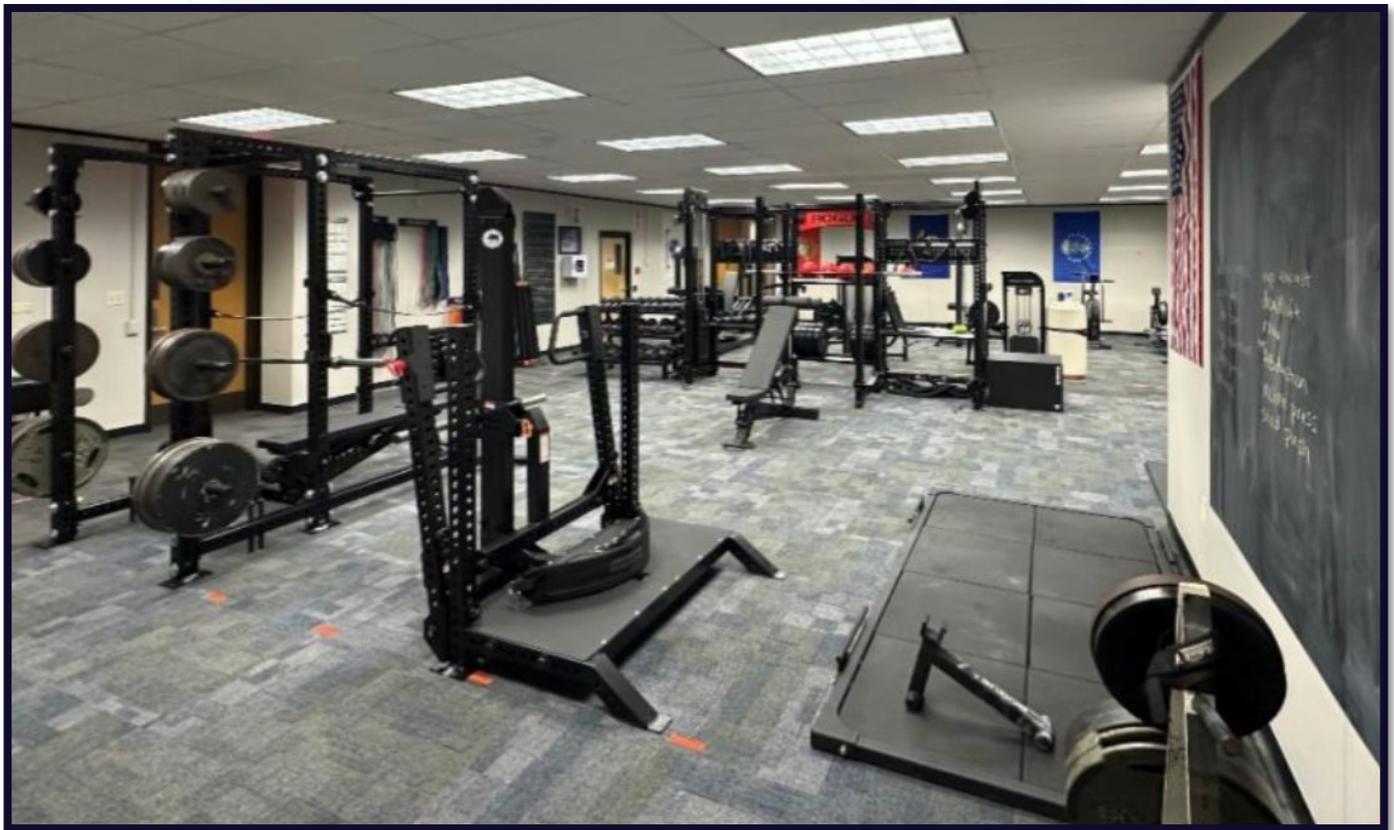
WELLNESS REPORT

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engage in at least 1 wellness offering per month):

- **AVERAGE CHANGE in Body Weight: - 4.25 lbs.**
- **AVERAGE CHANGE in Skeletal Muscle Mass: + 1.5 lbs.**
- **AVERAGE CHANGE in % Body Fat: - 3.05%**

Sarah Barada



FLEET REPORT

CAR #	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	ASSIGNMENT	END OF 2024 MILEAGE	END OF 2025 MILEAGE	APPROX. MILES DRIVEN IN 2025	
PATROL CARS								
1	4	2016	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS - MAJOR GRUBER	114,201	114,828	627
2	6	2025	FORD	EXPLORER HYBRID	OPERATIONS - K9 ELLIOTT	22	3,711	3,689
3	8	2014	FORD	TAURUS	OPERATIONS	151,114	154,747	3,633
4	10	2015	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS - SPARE K9	110,150	119,123	8,973
5	11	2016	DODGE	CHARGER	OPERATIONS	66,492	76,019	9,527
6	22	2016	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	128,872	136,327	7,455
7	24	2016	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	139,337	151,423	12,086
8	25	2018	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	99,808	110,020	10,212
9	26	2018	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	111,556	122,649	11,093
10	27	2018	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	117,575	133,093	15,518
11	28	2018	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	103,754	119,931	16,177
12	29	2018	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	97,509	115,536	18,027
13	30	2006	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS - SRO	136,163	138,034	1,871
14	31	2020	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	80,696	98,654	17,958
15	32	2020	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS - K9 KELLY	50,776	68,681	17,905
16	34	2020	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	68,346	83,215	14,869
17	35	2020	FORD	F150	OPERATIONS	34,482	39,438	4,956
18	37	2021	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	66,082	83,297	17,215
19	39	2023	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	26,593	48,280	21,687
20	40	2023	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	18,616	43,886	25,270
21	41	2023	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	14,031	33,231	19,200
22	42	2023	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	9,671	25,615	15,944
23	43	2024	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	4,348	17,838	13,490
24	44	2024	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	300	19,885	19,585
25	45	2024	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	9,300	29,679	20,379
26	46	2024	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	10,432	23,314	12,882
27	47	2025	FORD	EXPLORER HYBRID	OPERATIONS	11	8,632	8,621
28	48	2025	FORD	EXPLORER	OPERATIONS	28	3,757	3,729
TOTAL					1,770,265	2,122,843	352,578	
AVERAGE					63,224	75,816	12,592	

ADMINISTRATION/INVESTIGATIONS

3	2016	FORD	EXPLORER	ADMIN - CHIEF MCDONALD	51,398	58,045	6,647
12	2014	DODGE	CHARGER	INVESTIGATIONS	59,218	61,441	2,223
16	2011	FORD	CROWN VIC	ADMIN - CPAAA	134,542	137,691	3,149
18	2004	FORD	EXPLORER	ADMIN - UTILITY USE	107,400	108,066	666
19	2016	DODGE	RAM PROMASTER	ADMIN - OFC RECTOR	24,274	27,598	3,324
20	2019	DODGE	GRAND CARAVAN	INVESTIGATIONS	47,543	50,609	3,066
33	2015	FORD	EXPEDITION	ADMIN - OFC ICE	96,344	102,888	6,544
53	2009	FORD	FUSION	INVESTIGATIONS	111,269	114,143	2,874
54	2022	HONDA	CIVIC	INVESTIGATIONS	37,502	42,032	4,530
TOTAL					669,490	702,513	33,023
AVERAGE					74,388	78,057	3,669

All millege for 2025 is approximate as of 1/23/2026

Car 38 was totaled and replaced by car 48. Two hybrids were added to the fleet: car 6 & car 47.

CALLS FOR SERVICE REPORT

Calls for Service Totals by Month by Year

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL	+/-
2025	2,268	2,056	2,439	2,584	2,655	2,655	2,867	2,675	2,689	2,299	2,266	2,086	29,539	-5.45%
2024	2,451	2,367	2,559	2,890	2,935	2,636	2,735	2,702	2,817	2,516	2,344	2,289	31,241	-2.83%
2023	2,492	2,303	2,552	2,733	2,920	2,811	3,194	3,015	2,870	2,531	2,320	2,410	32,151	-1.29%
2022	2,184	2,521	2,924	2,669	3,050	2,927	3,039	2,921	2,920	2,827	2,293	2,297	32,572	11.56%
2021	1,987	1,908	2,410	2,501	2,533	2,618	2,830	2,737	2,677	2,655	2,187	2,154	29,197	
AVERAGE	2,276	2,231	2,577	2,675	2,819	2,729	2,933	2,810	2,795	2,566	2,282	2,247	30,940	

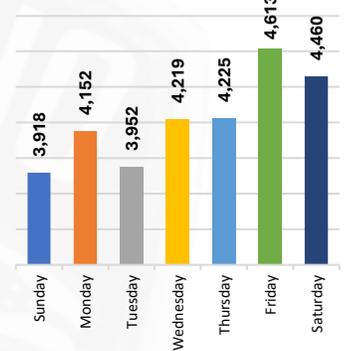
*The busier the month, the darker the green; the slower the month, the darker the red compared to the other months in the same year.

2025 Calls for Service Totals by Day by Month

Year	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Total
January	314	258	247	340	373	406	330	2,268
February	296	290	311	292	270	308	289	2,056
March	363	382	337	316	297	340	404	2,439
April	327	320	386	391	331	415	414	2,584
May	295	322	281	320	454	502	481	2,655
June	436	468	328	322	359	397	345	2,655
July	333	394	436	450	458	417	379	2,867
August	368	340	338	351	349	478	451	2,675
September	316	427	434	372	410	367	363	2,689
October	262	290	274	394	366	393	320	2,299
November	353	289	271	348	322	313	370	2,266
December	255	372	309	323	236	277	314	2,086
Total	3,918	4,152	3,952	4,219	4,225	4,613	4,460	29,539
Average	327	346	329	352	352	384	372	2,462

*The busier the day by month, the darker the green; the slower the day, the darker the red compared to the other days in the same month.

Calls for Service Totals by Day



2025 Calls for Service Totals by Hour

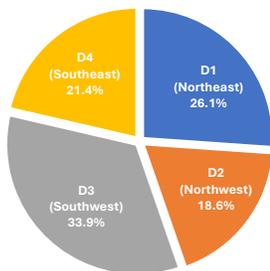


Top 10 Calls for Service by Call Code

47F : Case Follow Up	2423
09 : Officer Wanted	2253
55 : Disturbance	1660
65 : Well Being Check	1241
35 : On Patrol/Check Area	1088
10 : Assist Other Agency	960
911 : 911 Hang-Up	816
15 : Warrant Check	781
62PV : Parking Violation	770
60 : Suspicious Person	740

*does not include traffic stops

Calls for Service by District



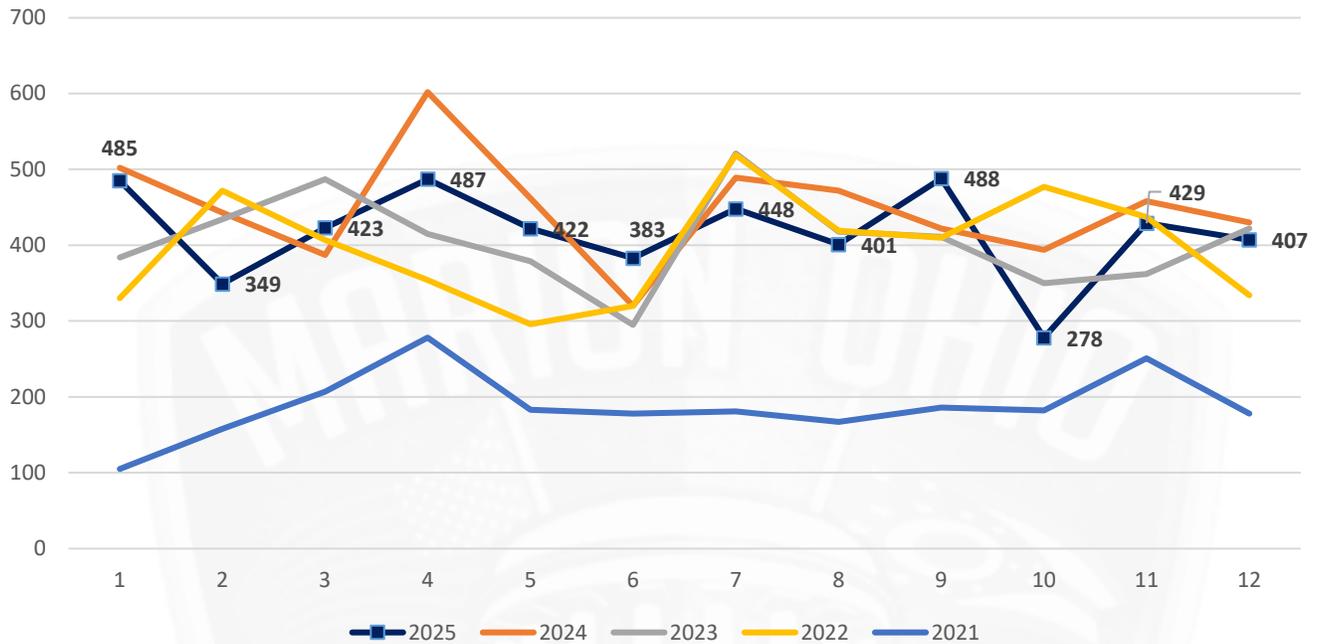
Assist Other Agency Calls	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL
Marion County S.O.	6	6	6	5	8	6	10	9	8	9	5	5	83
Ohio State Highway Patrol	18	10	8	5	5	6	5	9	5	8	7	6	92
Marion Fire Department	28	28	39	28	26	44	38	41	26	29	27	28	382
Probation/Parole	2	4	4	8	4	6	5	4	5	8	7	5	62
Children Services	6	7	14	8	7	11	10	3	9	7	7	4	93
Other/Outside Agencies	23	18	11	29	29	20	10	29	22	22	19	17	249
	83	73	82	83	79	93	78	95	75	83	72	65	961

SELECT CALLS FOR SERVICE REPORT

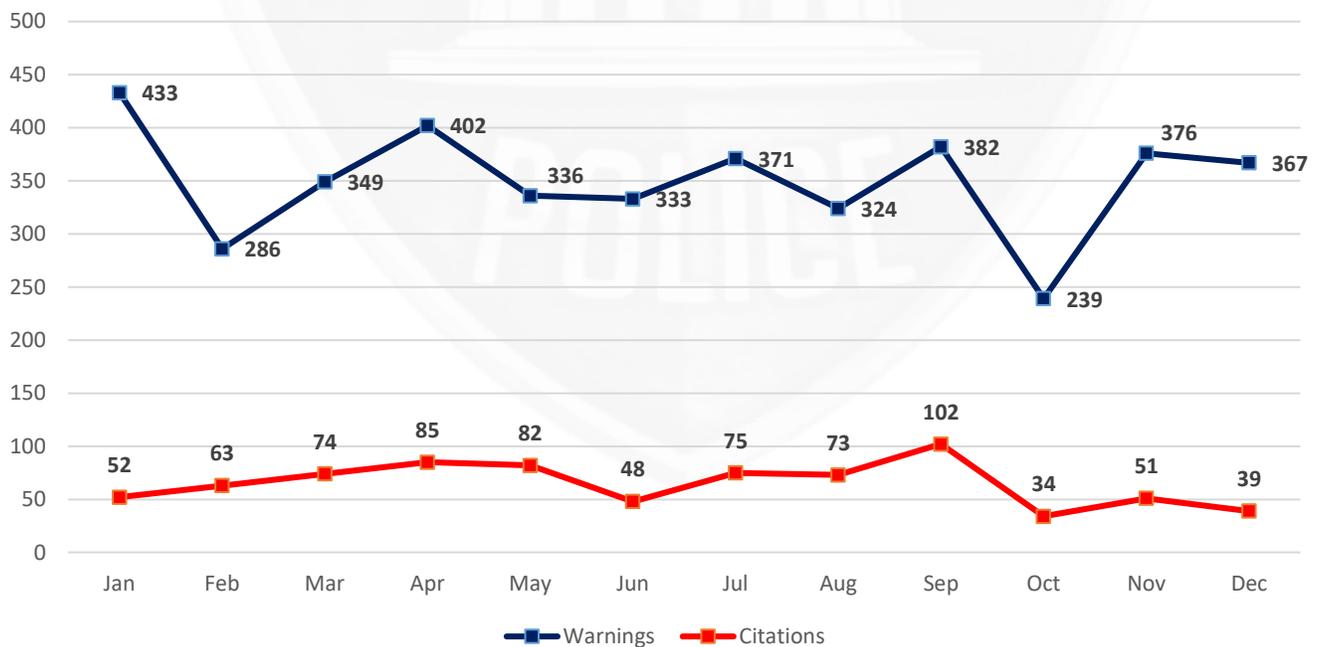
CFS DESCRIPTION	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	2025
08 : Assault	9	10	10	8	14	5	17	9	14	13	14	13	136
09M : Threats/Menacing	23	27	35	26	31	34	25	32	32	26	21	27	339
12 : Burglary	5	4	0	4	5	7	7	5	5	6	5	3	56
12C : B&E (Unoccupied)	1	1	2	3	0	2	4	2	3	6	5	1	30
19A : Phone Harassment	10	19	16	15	12	11	22	15	12	11	11	13	167
20 : Domestic	44	34	45	49	69	47	47	41	35	49	37	40	537
20S : Domestic Standby	4	6	4	10	18	15	14	10	5	5	7	9	107
20W : Domestic w/ Weapons	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	6
26A : Fight w/ Weapons	0	0	2	2	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	1	10
26 : Fight	3	3	2	8	6	4	5	5	16	7	5	5	69
32 : Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
34 : Juvenile	16	17	27	38	78	58	74	63	64	58	31	26	550
36 : Theft	17	24	33	27	30	46	32	42	35	29	31	28	374
40A : Person W/Knife	0	0	1	5	3	0	1	6	0	0	2	0	18
40 : Person W/Gun	3	0	3	2	2	1	1	3	5	0	2	3	25
48A : Sex Offense	8	6	4	8	10	4	6	7	11	6	6	2	78
48 : Rape	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	1	0	8
50B : Robbery Alarm	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	2	1	1	12
50C : Armed Robbery	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	4
50 : Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	4
52A : Shots Fired	5	2	8	8	7	5	2	9	9	8	10	11	84
52 : Shooting	0	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	3	1	13
54 : Stabbing	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	4
55 : Disturbance	93	96	127	157	136	152	153	165	173	147	129	119	1647
56 : Stolen Vehicle	3	0	6	7	7	4	2	2	4	2	5	6	48
58ATT : Attempted Suicide	5	3	6	2	2	2	8	6	7	3	1	2	47
58 : Suicide	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	7
58T : Suicide Threats	15	16	27	18	24	22	23	23	20	16	18	18	240
60ACT : Suspicious Activity	16	14	21	20	30	35	25	38	33	25	23	31	311
60A : Suspicious Vehicle	25	20	29	44	34	36	39	58	39	48	30	19	421
60 : Suspicious Person	38	42	52	63	79	73	79	71	62	56	65	52	732
64 : Vandalism/Criminal Damaging	8	18	23	17	28	17	35	20	22	20	14	14	236
76 : Mental	16	17	17	16	25	26	20	24	34	31	21	23	270
Total for Month (all calls):	2268	2056	2439	2584	2655	2655	2867	2675	2689	2299	2266	2086	29,539

TRAFFIC STOP REPORT

Traffic Stops by Month

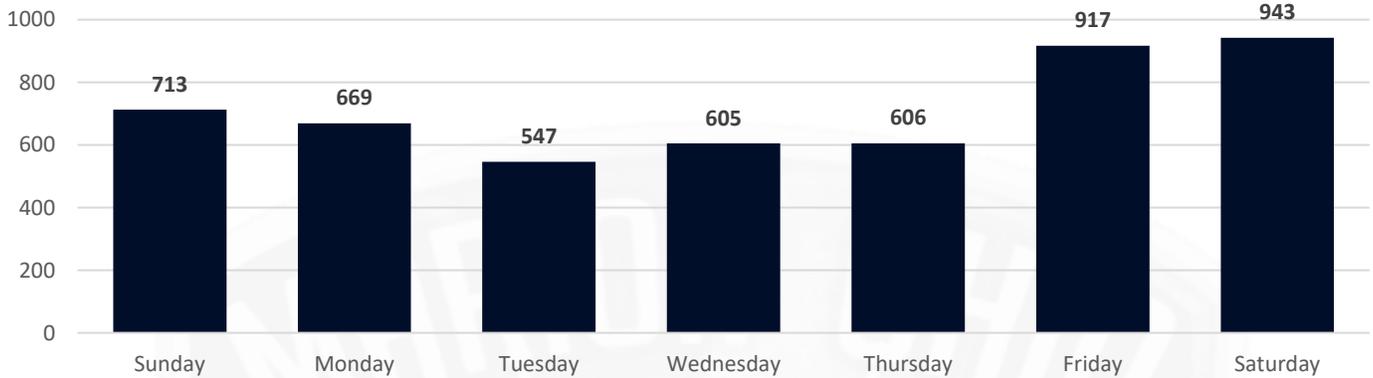


Citations vs. Warnings



TRAFFIC STOP REPORT

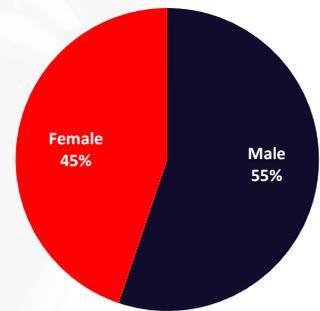
Traffic Stops by Day of Week



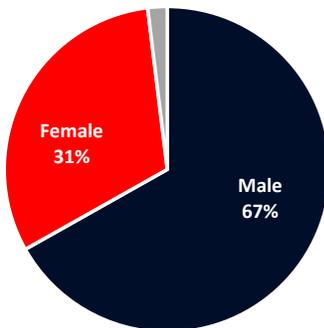
Traffic Stops by Time of Day



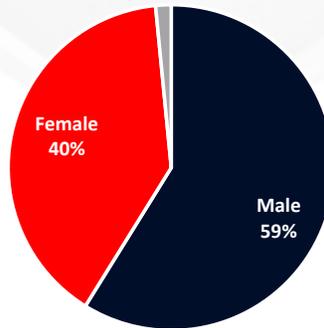
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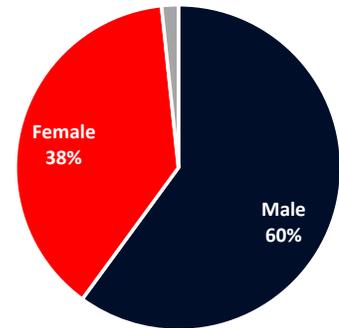
Citations by Sex



Warnings by Sex



Total Stops by Sex



TRAFFIC STOP REPORT

		TOTAL STOPS	5000
CITATIONS ISSUED BY RACE			
	Total	Percentage of Citations	Percentage of Total Stops
White Violator	636	81.6%	12.7%
Black Violator	119	15.3%	2.4%
Other/Unknown Violator	24	3.1%	0.5%
TOTALS	779	100.0%	15.6%
CITATIONS ISSUED BY ETHNICITY			
	Total	Percentage of Citations	Percentage of Total Stops
Not of Hispanic or Latino Origin	714	91.7%	14.3%
Hispanic or Latino Origin	32	4.1%	0.6%
Unknown	33	4.2%	0.7%
TOTALS	779	100.0%	15.6%

WARNINGS ISSUED BY RACE			
Description	Total	Percentage of Warnings	Percentage of Total Stops
White Violator	3559	84.3%	71.2%
Black Violator	535	12.7%	10.7%
Other/Unknown Violator	127	3.0%	2.5%
TOTALS	4221	100.0%	84.4%
WARNINGS ISSUED BY ETHNICITY			
	Total	Percentage of Warnings	Percentage of Total Stops
Not of Hispanic or Latino Origin	3937	93.3%	78.7%
Hispanic or Latino Origin	140	3.3%	2.8%
Unknown	144	3.4%	2.9%
TOTALS	4221	100.0%	84.4%



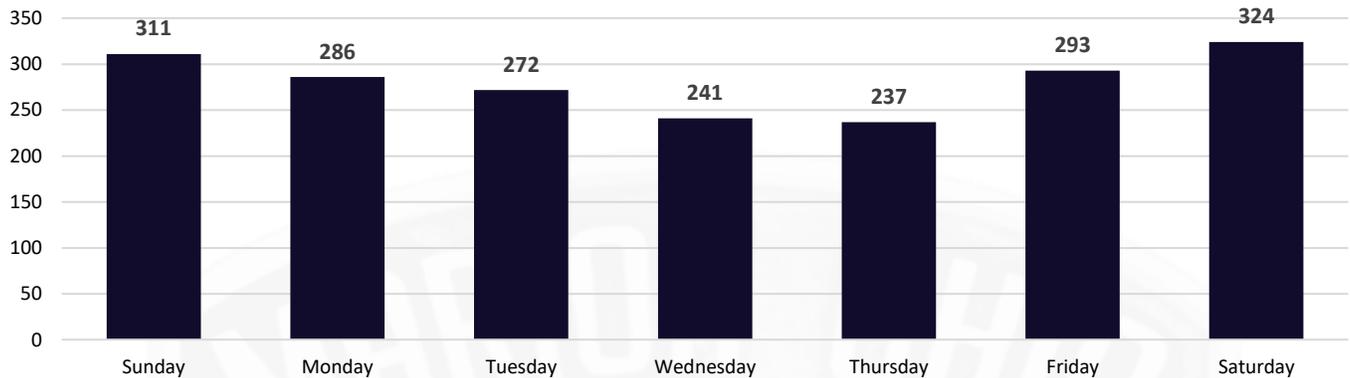
Population estimates, July 1, 2025, (V2025) NA

PEOPLE

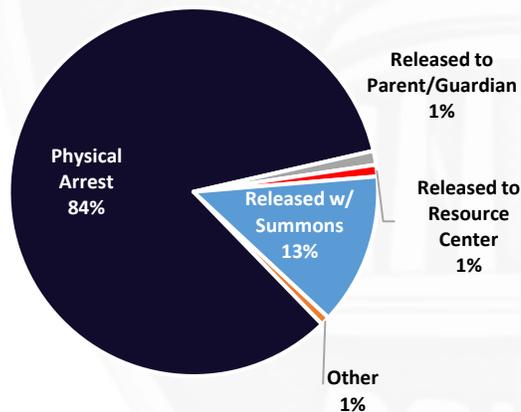
Race and Hispanic Origin	Percentage
White alone, percent	80.6%
Black alone, percent (a)	8.9%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone, percent (a)	0.1%
Asian alone, percent (a)	0.5%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone, percent (a)	0.0%
Two or More Races, percent	8.1%
Hispanic or Latino, percent (b)	4.0%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino, percent	79.5%

CHARGE REPORT

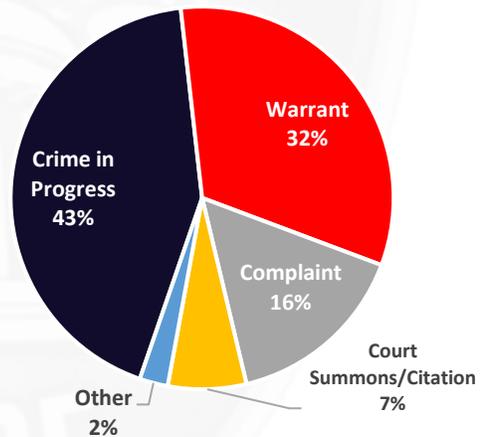
ARREST/SUMMONS BY DAY



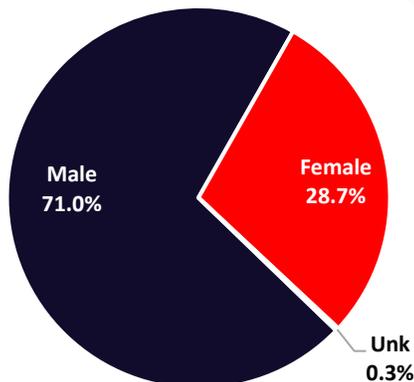
DISPOSITION



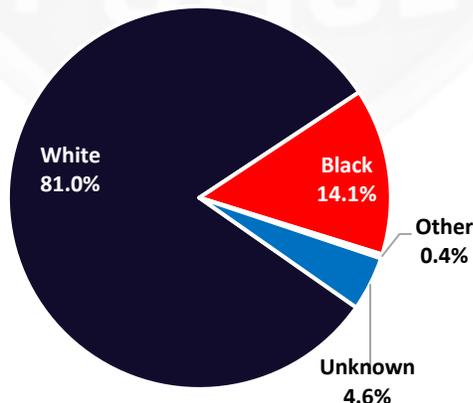
TYPE OF ARREST



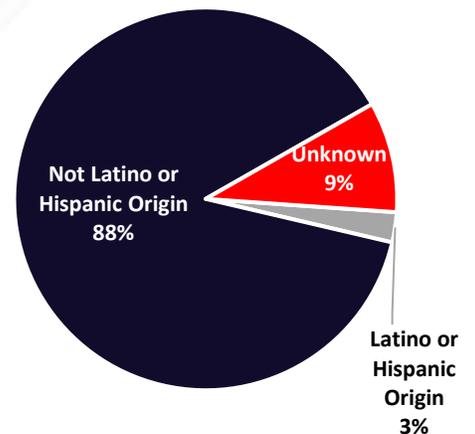
SEX



RACE



ETHNICITY



TRAFFIC CRASH REPORT



OSTATS - Crash Dashboard Crashes by Severity

Data Source: ODPS Electronic Crash System
Design and Layout: OSHP Statistical Analysis Unit
Ohio State Highway Patrol
Data Updated: Monday, January 5, 2026



User Guide

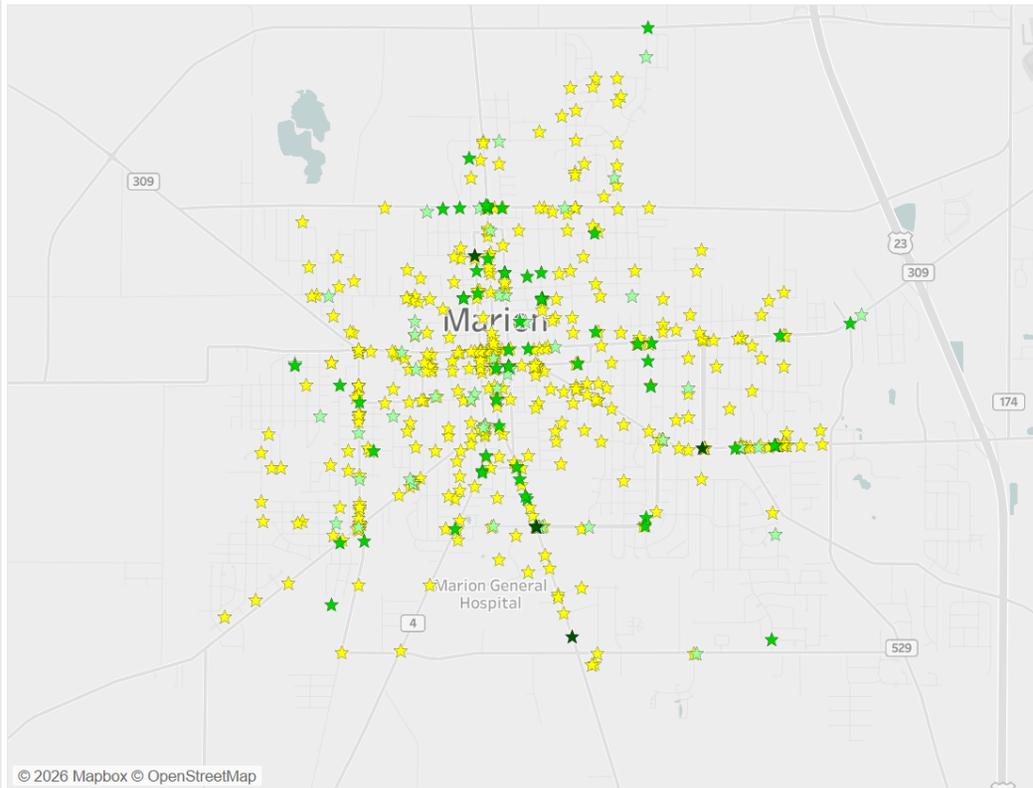
Select County
Marion

From Date (>=) To Date (<=)
1/1/2025 12/31/2025

Select Map
Crash Point

Select NCIC
05101 - MARION PD

- Serious Injury Sus.. ★
- Minor Injury Suspe.. ★
- Injury Possible ★
- Property Damage .. ★



Top Crash Routes

SR-95	79
SR-4	55
SR-739	25
SR-309	19
SR-423	11
SR-529	1

Crashes by Hour

12 - 12:59 AM	6
1 - 1:59 AM	8
2 - 2:59 AM	6
3 - 3:59 AM	6
4 - 4:59 AM	6
5 - 5:59 AM	10
6 - 6:59 AM	8
7 - 7:59 AM	17
8 - 8:59 AM	13
9 - 9:59 AM	25
10 - 10:59 AM	29
11 - 11:59 AM	32
12 - 12:59 PM	33
1 - 1:59 PM	36
2 - 2:59 PM	35
3 - 3:59 PM	57
4 - 4:59 PM	50
5 - 5:59 PM	36
6 - 6:59 PM	33
7 - 7:59 PM	23
8 - 8:59 PM	23
9 - 9:59 PM	14
10 - 10:59 PM	18
11 - 11:59 PM	11

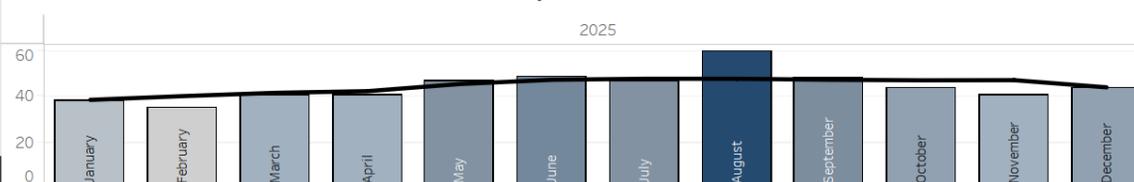
Crash Variables

Alcohol-Related	24
Bicycle-Related	10
Commercial-Related	23
Deer-Related	3
Distracted-Related	24
Drug-Related	8
Failure To Yield-Related	85
Mature-Related	186
Motorcycle-Related	5
OVI-Related	30
Pedestrian-Related	4
Ran Red Light/Stop Sign-..	46
School Bus-Related	3
Speed-Related	49
Teen-Related	73
Unbelted-Related	92
Work Zone-Related	2
Youth-Related	155

Crashes by Day

Sunday	54
Monday	67
Tuesday	74
Wednesday	84
Thursday	77
Friday	112
Saturday	67

Crashes by Month and Year



Crashes by Severity and Year

Severity	2025
Serious Injury Suspected	5
Minor Injury Suspected	59
Injury Possible	49
Property Damage Only	422
Total	535

Show Tables

Data does not include crashes inside the City of Marion but completed by an outside agency, such as fatal crashes completed by OHSP.

GAS USAGE REPORT

Gallons of Gas Used



Total Gallons by Year



Cost per Gallon



Avg. Cost per Gallon by Year

