

ANNUAL REPORT

2016



Beavercreek Police Department Attains Accreditation with Excellence 2016

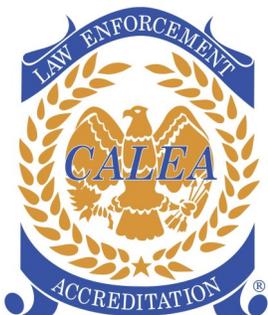


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Section I

Introduction

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

I am pleased to present the Beaver Creek Police Department's 2016 Annual Report. It was another successful but challenging year, culminating with the organization receiving **Meritorious Accreditation with Excellence** from the Commission on Accredited Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), our sixth award since first becoming accredited in 1999. The agency also obtained **Certification** from the newly formed Ohio Collaborative, which establishes recommended law enforcement standards and practices for Ohio police agencies with emphasis on strengthening Police-Community relations.

The commitment to professional excellence is the mission of this organization. These accomplishments are a direct result of the hard work by the dedicated men and women of the Beaver Creek Police Department, including our COPP volunteers. It also reflects the positive collaboration with our community and we share these accomplishments with them. I want to thank everyone, including our community partners, who contributed to this achievement.

Striving for excellence requires implementing new strategies and policies to keep pace with changing laws and technologies. One technology advancement implemented in late 2016 now allows us to utilize "Text to 9-1-1." This innovation enables citizens to use mobile devices to send a text directly to our public safety dispatch center in an emergency situation. This advancement was made possible by a 2015 update to our 9-1-1 system, putting in place the Next Gen platform needed to accommodate the texting capability.

Like many communities, one of the continuing challenges Beaver Creek faces is experiencing the "opiate epidemic." No community is immune from this issue which speaks to the severity of the problem. Drug overdose related calls have increased significantly this past year. These calls are taxing all first responder resources and impacting families throughout this country. We continue to work with our community partners to seek ways to minimize this problem's devastating impact on many families.

In 2016, the state required each police officer complete eleven (11) hours of mandated Continued Professional Training (CPT) in certain subject matters to maintain Ohio peace officer certification. 2017 will see an increase to twenty (20) CPT hours for every police officer to remain certified. We certainly endorse and embrace any efforts to enhance our profession and increase the public's confidence in our ability to serve and protect them.

As we go forward in 2017, working in partnership with our citizens continues to be our priority in making Beaver Creek a better community in which to live, work and play. I wish to thank the Mayor, each member of the Beaver Creek City Council, City Manager, and other Department Directors for their support and assistance during 2016.

Dennis L. Evers
Chief of Police

Mission Statement

We, of Beavercreek Police Department, are committed to work in partnership with our community, to safeguard life and property while ensuring the rights of all people, and thereby enhancing the quality of life for our citizens.

Organizational Values

FAIRNESS

We will consistently treat everyone with dignity, compassion and respect without prejudice. We will protect the constitutional and civil rights of all people through impartial enforcement of the law.

INTEGRITY

We will strive to uphold public trust by being honest, competent and consistent in our beliefs and actions. We will hold ourselves accountable to the highest standards of professionalism through moral and ethical conduct.

LOYALTY

Members of this organization shall remain dedicated to the accomplishment of the mission and are willing to support one another in pursuit of personal and professional excellence.

Fundamental Goals

- Nurture the respect, confidence and trust of our community and other departments.
- Detection and apprehension of criminals.
- Increase pro-active/preventive initiatives throughout the community.
- Maintain order and safety through the community.
- Identify and address current and future needs of our community with regard to police service.

Section II

Organization

DEPARTMENT COMMAND STAFF



Chief Dennis L. Evers



Captain Jeff Fiorita
Operations



Captain Eric Grile
Investigations
(Jan. - Sept. 2016)



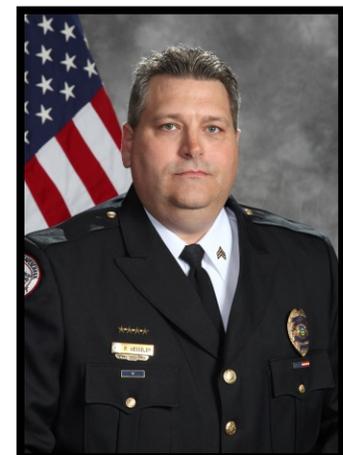
Captain Scott Molnar
Support Services



Captain Chad Lindsey
Investigations
(November 2016 -)



Karen Mahaffey
Administrative Assistant



Sergeant Phil Wessler
Accreditation Manager

2016 DEPARTMENT TRANSITIONS

New Assignments:

- John Bondy – to Detective
- David Majercak – to K9 Officer

New Hire(s):

- Lori McIntosh– Communications Operator

New K-9: Hans

Promotions:

- Vincent (Nick) Amato – to Sergeant
- Daniel Krall – to Sergeant
- Chad Lindsey – to Captain

Retirements:

- Sergeant James Wuebben
- K-9 D.J.

Service Milestones:

- Officer Chris Williams – 25 years

Transitions:

- Captain Eric Grile (accepted position at Hilliard Police Department)

Beavercreek Police Department

Organization by Function

The Beavercreek Police Department is the primary law enforcement agency for the City of Beavercreek. The department's primary responsibilities include the prevention of crime, protection of life and property, suppression of criminal activity, apprehension and prosecution of offenders, regulation of non-criminal conduct, and preservation of the public peace. Under the command of the Chief of Police, the Police Department's responsibilities are further divided into three sections: **Operations Division, Support Services Division and Investigations Division.**

The **Chief of Police** is responsible for all Police Operations. The Chief coordinates, organizes, directs and controls activities, implements policy, and makes necessary personnel and procedural changes to ensure the effective operation of the Police Department. Three Division Captains and the Administrative Assistant are directly accountable to the Chief of Police. The Administrative Assistant also provides assistance to the Chief of Police on Budgeting and Purchasing matters.

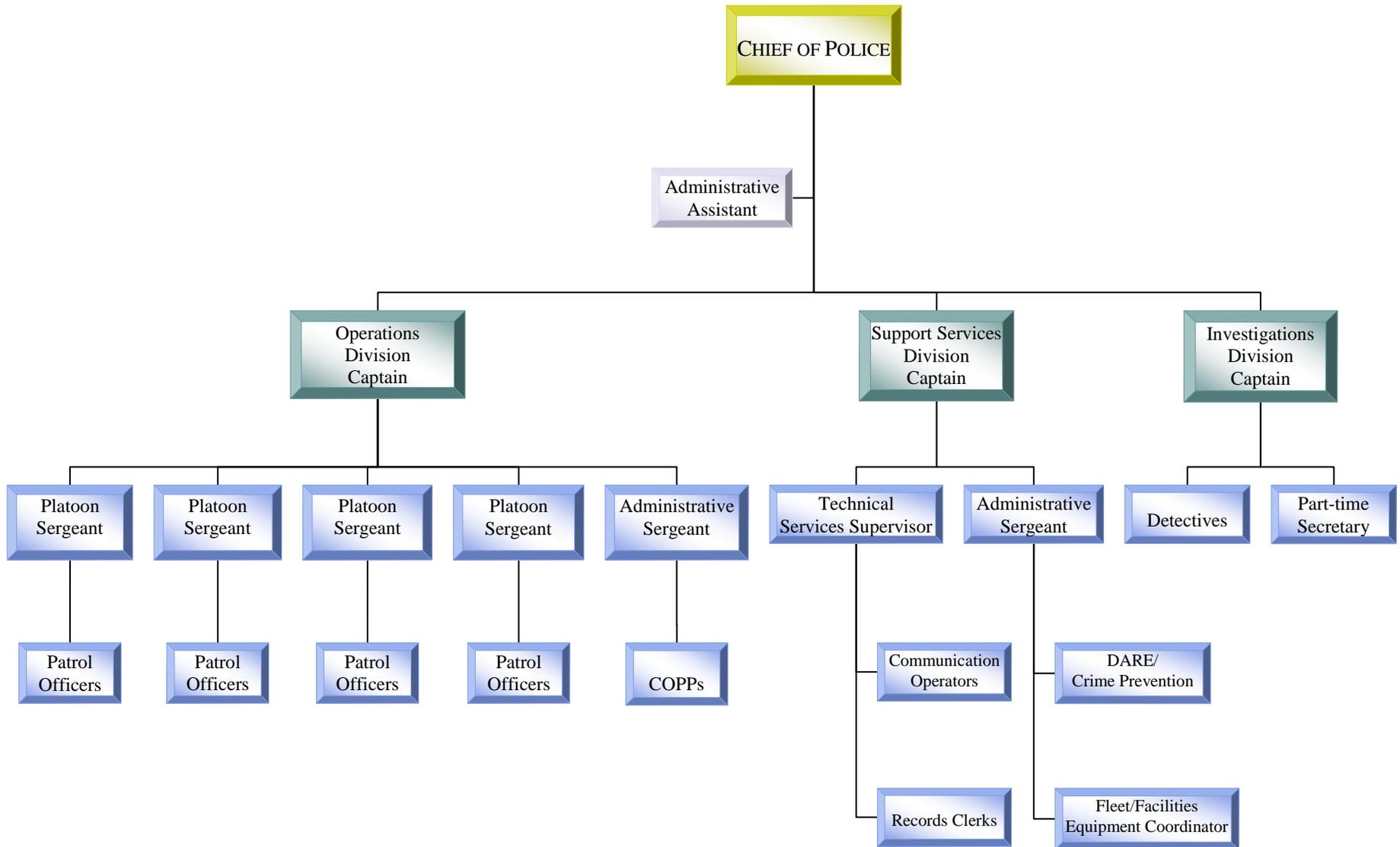
The **Operations Division** is commanded by a Captain and is responsible for all primary police functions. These functions include: Patrol duties, Traffic section, Bicycle Officers, Legal Process, Collection and Preservation of Evidence, Community Oriented Police activities, Scheduling, Citizens Police Academy, School Resources, Canine Officer and Citizens on Preventive Patrol.

The **Support Services Division** is commanded by a Captain and consists of a variety of functions that include: Police Communications, Accreditation, Records, Internal Affairs, Training, Evaluations, Grievance administration, Discipline, Inspections, Planning and Research, Regional Emergency Response Team, Civilian Bike Patrol, Crime Prevention, Community Relations, DARE, Recruitment and Selection, Fleet, Facilities, Uniforms and Equipment, Property Room Management, Planning & Research, and Grant Administration.

The **Investigations Division** is commanded by a Captain and consists of several functions that support the operations of the Police Department. These functional responsibilities include: General Investigations, Juvenile Operations, Vice, Narcotics, Organized Crime, Crime Analysis, Criminal Intelligence, Victim/Witness Liaison, and Public Information.

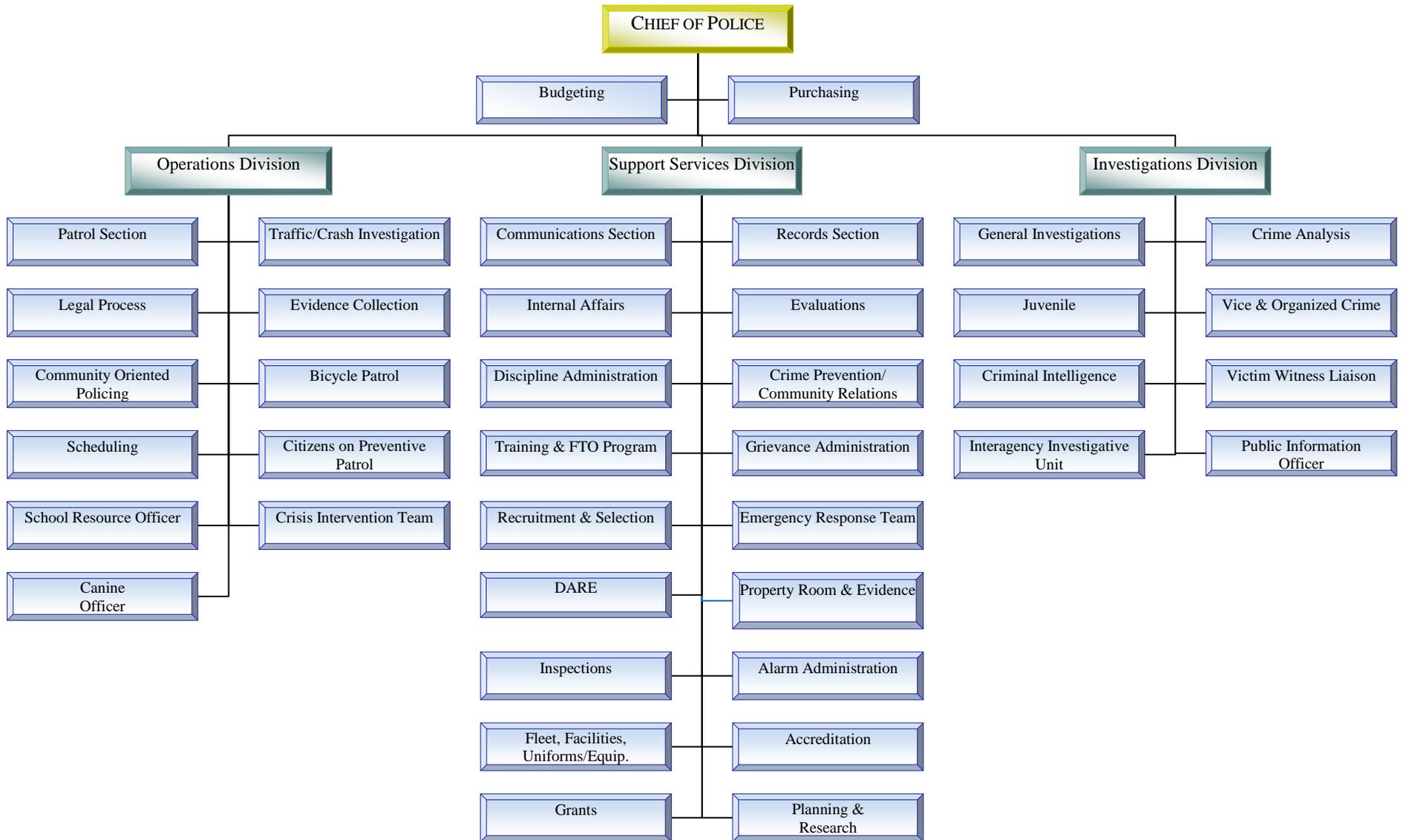
BEAVERCREEK POLICE DEPARTMENT

ORGANIZATION BY STRUCTURE (Appendix G)



BEAVERCREEK POLICE DEPARTMENT

ORGANIZATION BY FUNCTION



Section III

Organizational Awards

2016 Beaver Creek Police Department Awards

The Beaver Creek Police Department's annual department meeting was held on Wednesday, January 25, 2017 to recap the events and achievements of 2016 and present the goals and objectives of 2017. Numerous letters of recognition and awards were also presented to department employees honoring their efforts throughout the past year.

The following individuals were given Letters of Recognition: **Officers Matt Barber, Chris Beisner, Brian Burkett, James Burton, Joel Diaz, David Durkin, Tyler Fruhwirth, Charmaine Hall, David Holley, Cynthia Peffly, James Spicer, Jennifer Stephens, Todd Suchy, Frank Trimboli, Chris Unroe, and Barry Wisecup; Detectives Adam Kempf, Andy Lee, and Brad Piasecki; Sergeant David Darkow and Captain Jeff Fiorita; Communications Operators Sara DeBorde, Heather Jolly, Jennifer Kochaney, and Lisa Wessler; and Records Clerk Robert Eggleton. Officers John Bondy, Brian Burkett and David Holley, and Detective Brad Piasecki received Department Commendations. Officer Nick Coltrane received a Meritorious Service Award for his heroic efforts while responding to a house fire.**

C.O.P.P. Don Adams was honored as the "2016 C.O.P.P. of the Year" for dedicating his time and talents to community policing, preventive initiatives, and special events throughout the Beaver Creek area as a member of the volunteer organization Citizens on Preventive Patrol for over eight years; **Records Clerk Greg Wiesert** was recognized as "2016 Civilian Employee of the Year" for his proficiency, initiative and spirit of cooperation; **Sergeant Phil Wessler** was awarded "2016 Officer of the Year" for his exemplary performance as Property and Accreditation Managers, and for his role in the agency attaining reaccreditation with Excellence from CALEA and the Award of Certification from the State of Ohio Collaborative; and **Officer Rodney Curd** was presented with the "Chief's Award of Merit." **Officer Chris Williams** was recognized for achieving twenty-five years of service in 2016. **Officer Tim Lammert** was also acknowledged for being honored in 2016 with the Knights of Columbus "Blue Coat Award" for his service to community, church and family.

We are proud to honor these individuals for a job well done. Their personal and professional excellence inspire confidence in our agency and are consistent with our Mission Statement to work in partnership with the community to safeguard the lives and property of our citizens while supporting each other in the accomplishment of our mission.



Sgt. Phil Wessler
2016 Officer of the Year



Greg Wiesert
2016 Civilian of the Year



Don Adams
2016 C.O.P.P. of the Year

2016 Department Awards

Department Commendations



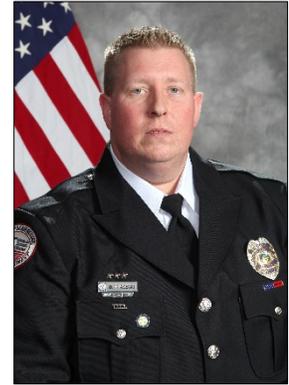
Officer John Bondy



Officer Brian Burkett



Officer David Holley



Det. Brad Piasecki

Meritorious Service Award



Officer Nick Coltrane



Officer Rodney Curd
Chief's Award of Merit



Officer Tim Lammert
2016 KOC Blue Coat Award



Officer Chris Williams
25 Years of Service



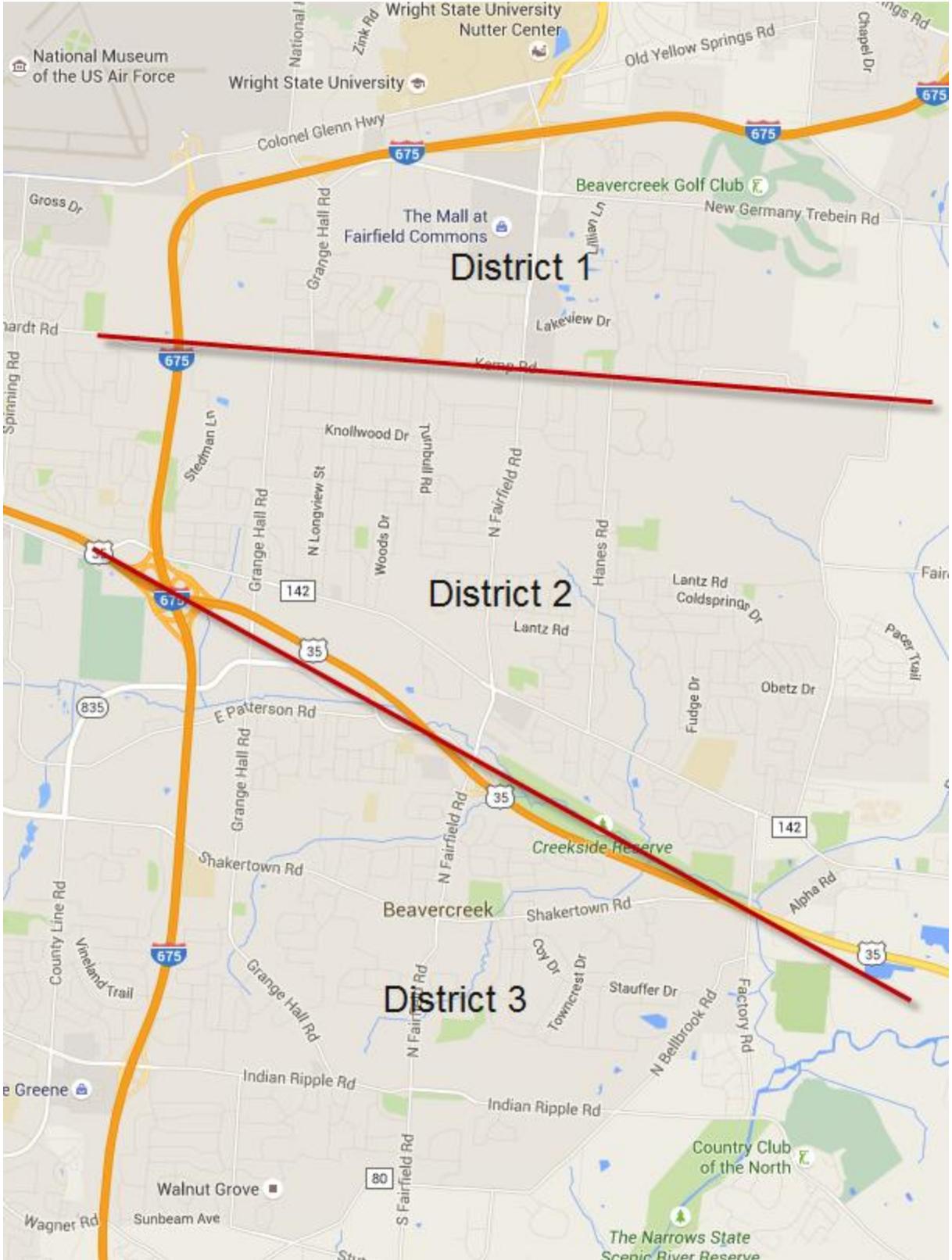
**Greene County Domestic and Sexual Violence Consortium
2016 "Excellence in Service" Award Winners**

(l-r: Sgt. Chad Lindsey, Communications Operator Yalonda Weber, Communications Operator Faith Lammert, and Officer Cynthia Peffly)

Section IV

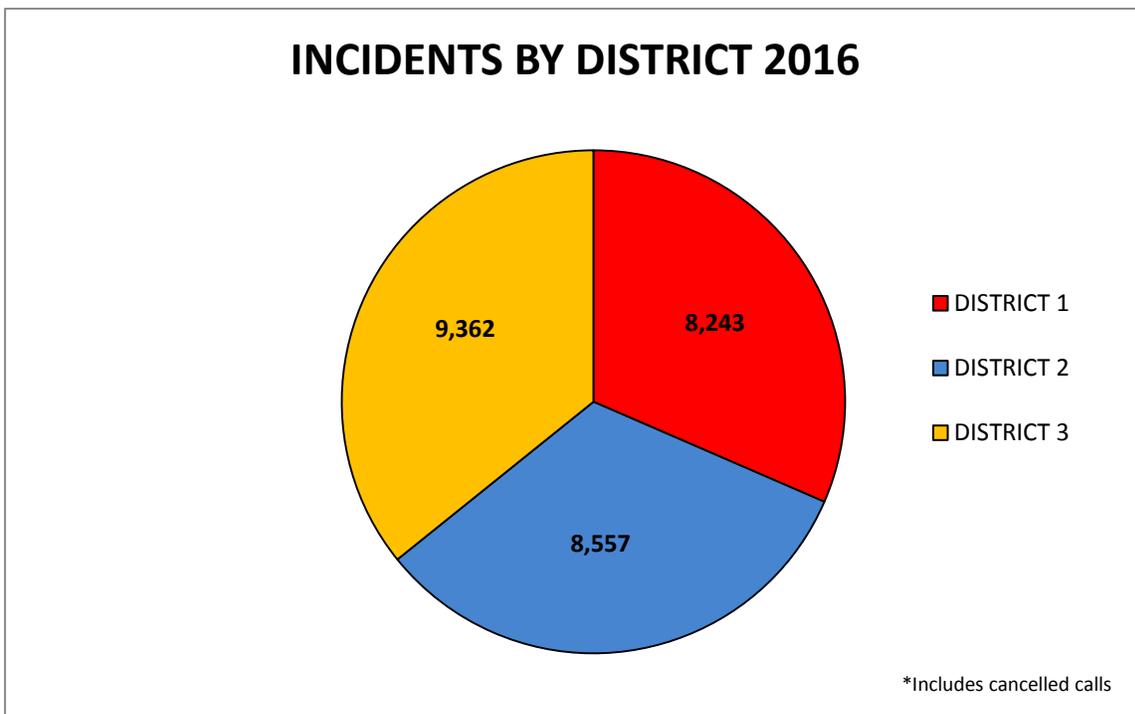
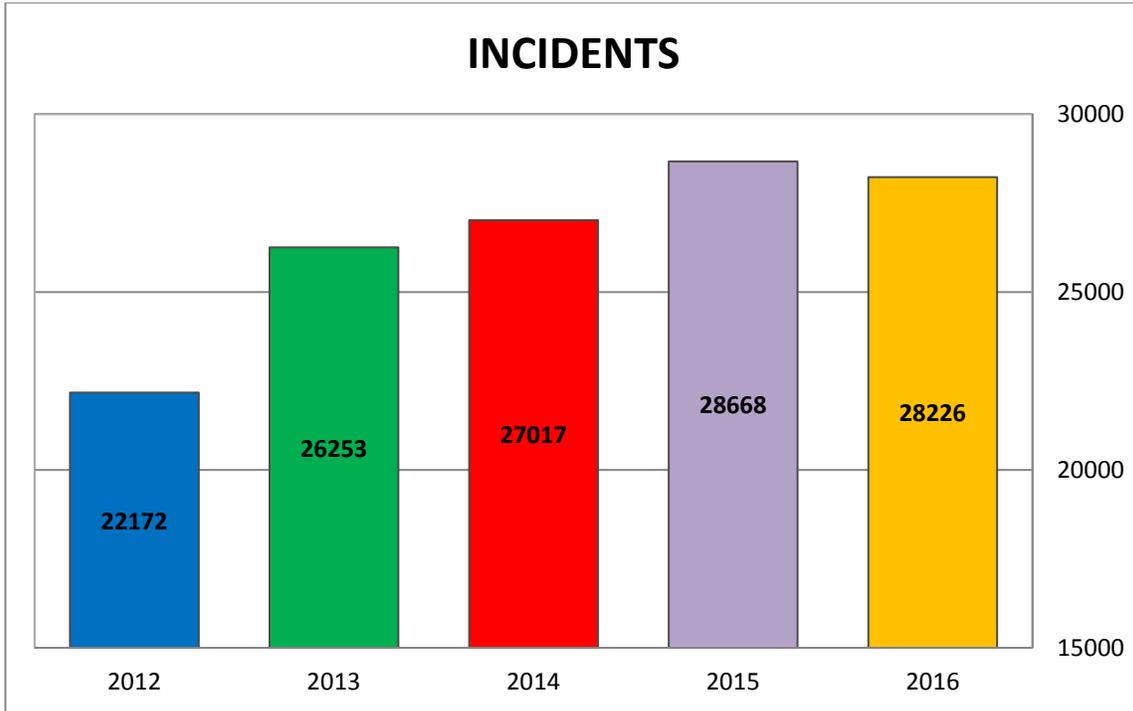
Activity Summary

POLICING DISTRICT MAP



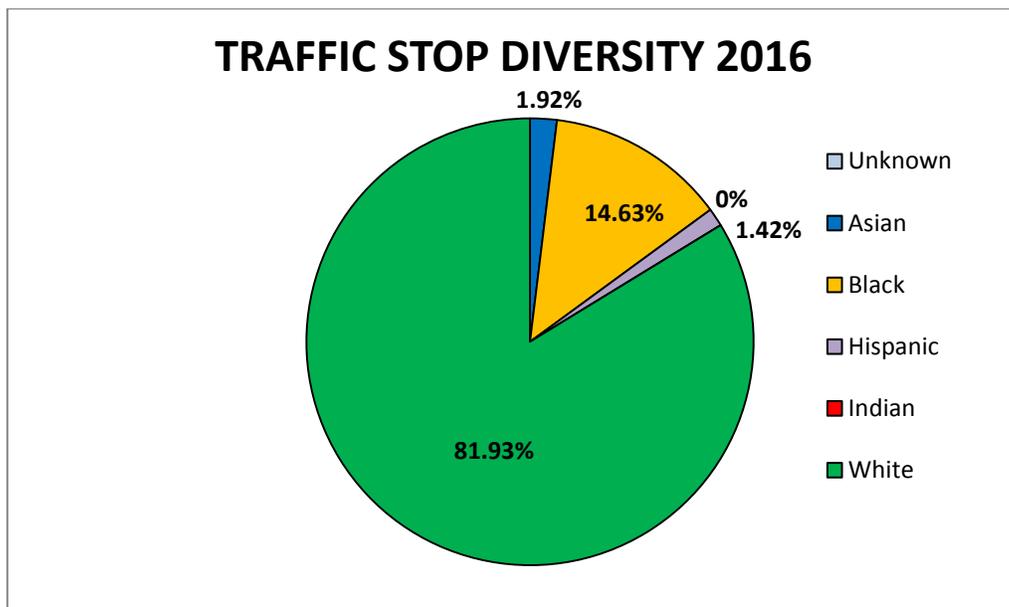
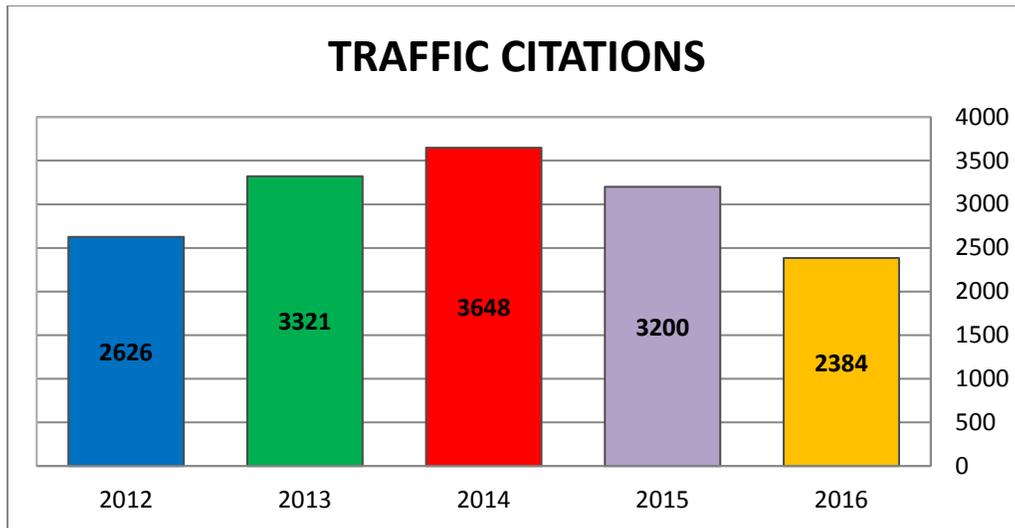
INCIDENTS FIVE YEAR COMPARISON 2012 – 2016

INCIDENTS BY DISTRICT 2016



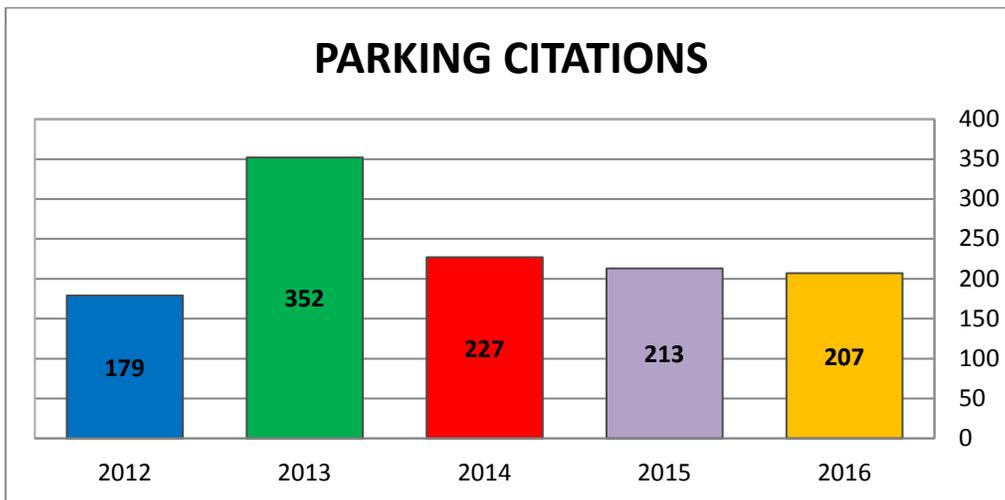
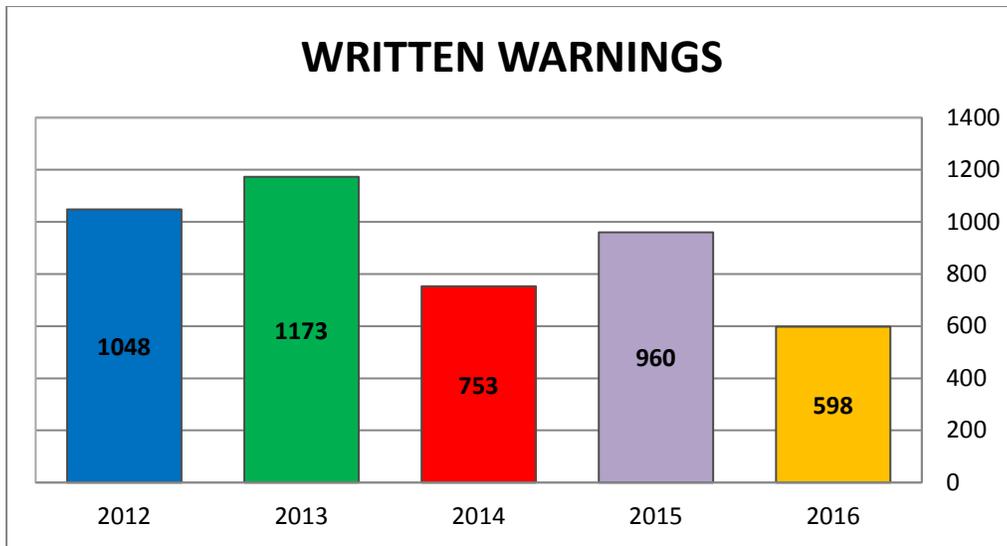
TRAFFIC CITATIONS FIVE YEAR COMPARISON 2012 – 2016

TRAFFIC STOP DIVERSITY 2016



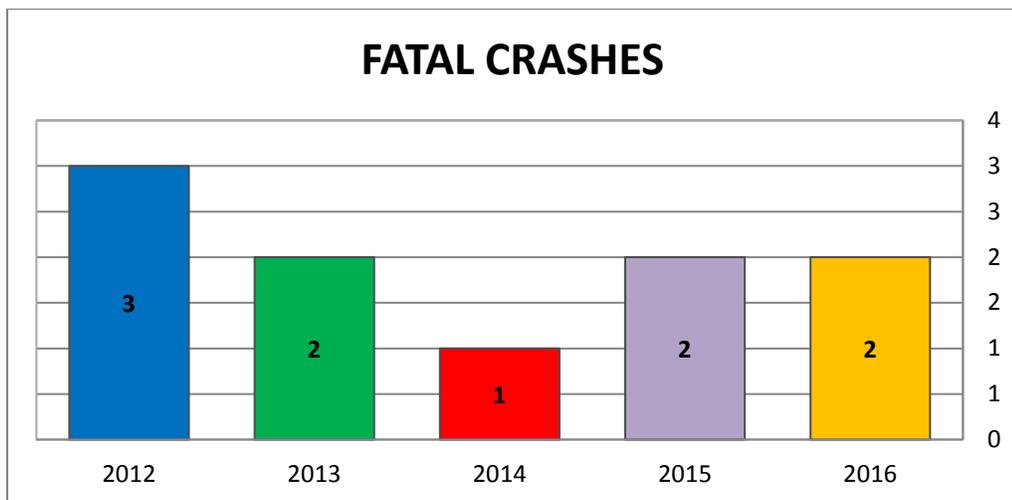
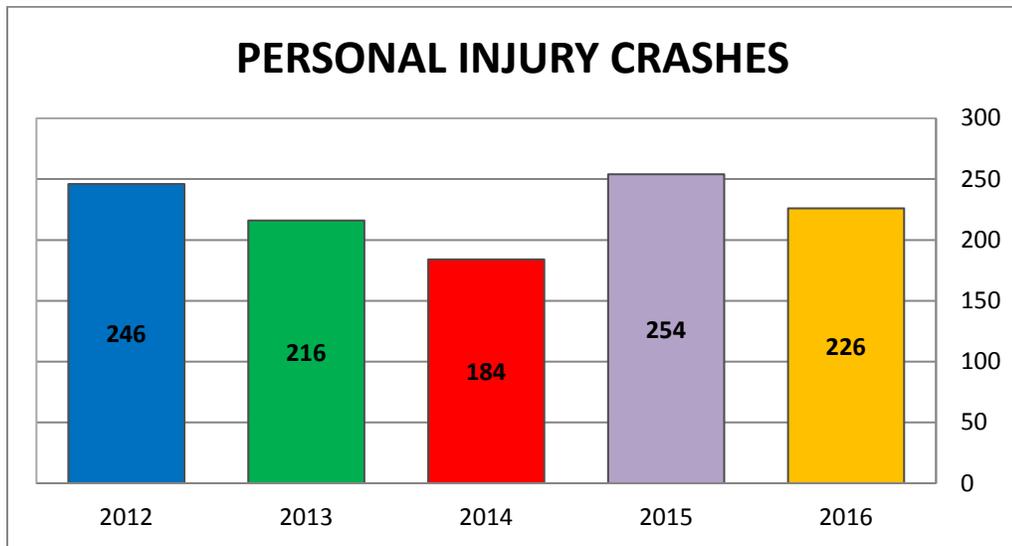
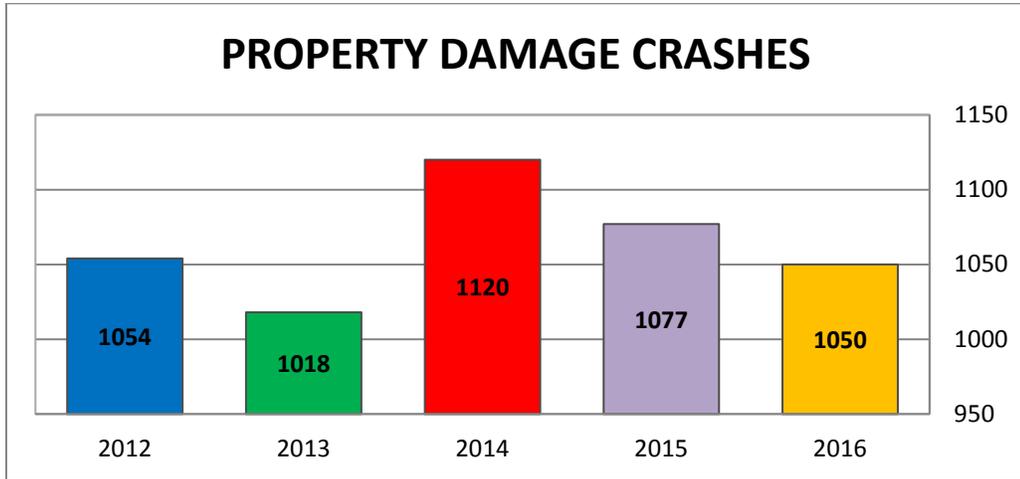
TRAFFIC ACTIVITY

FIVE YEAR COMPARISON 2012 – 2016



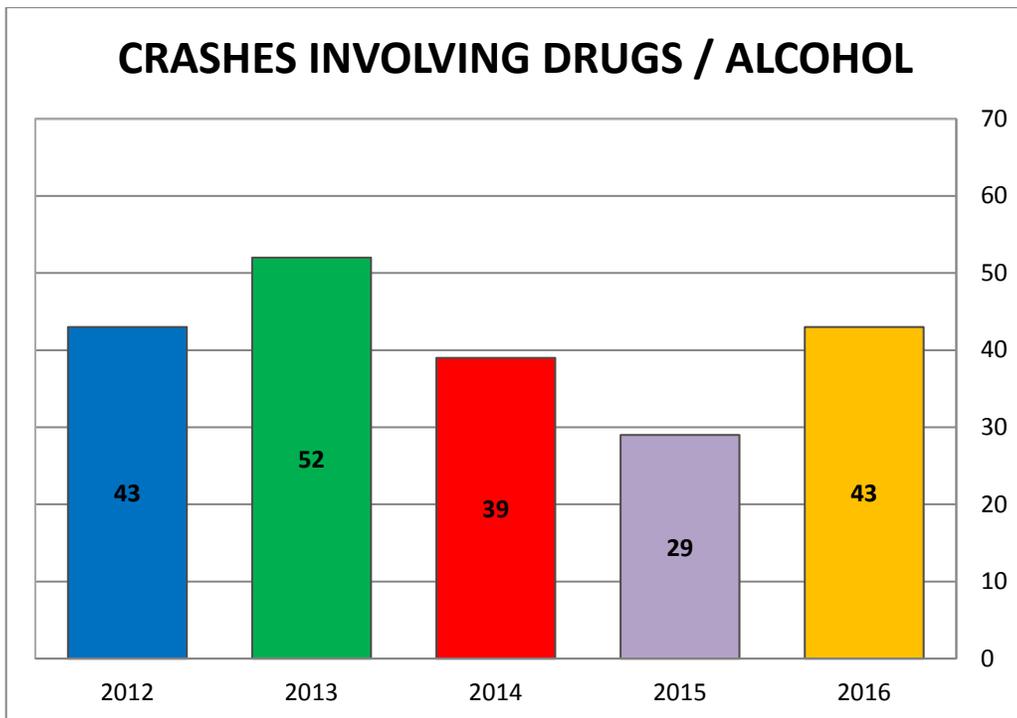
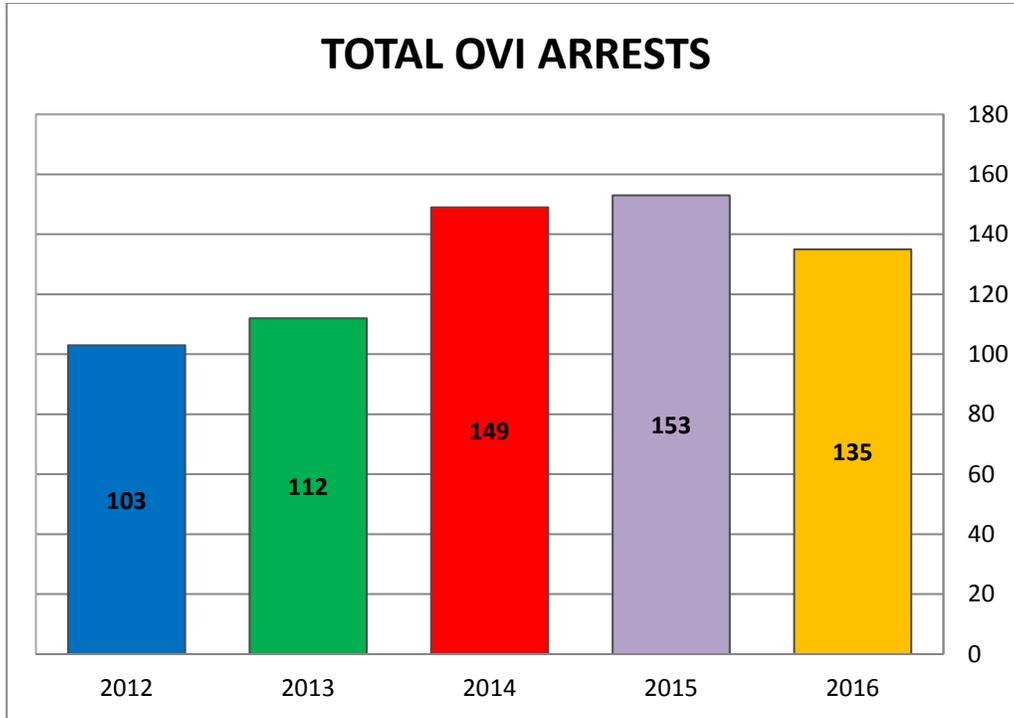
CRASH STATISTICS

FIVE YEAR COMPARISON 2012 – 2016



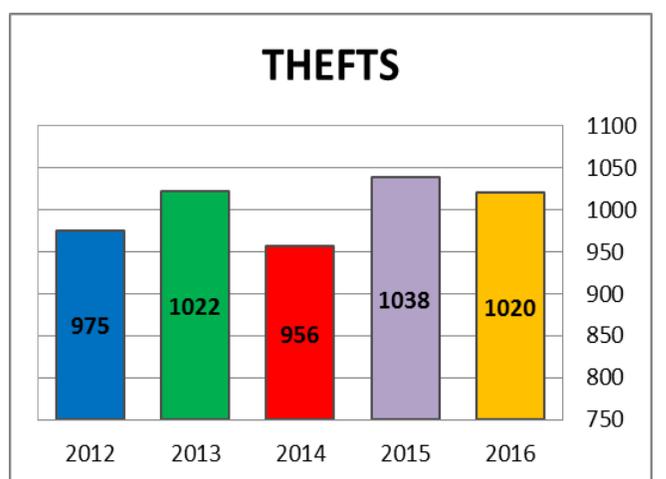
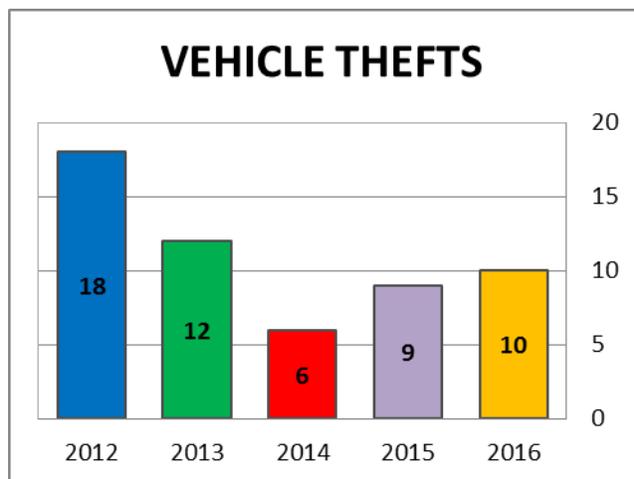
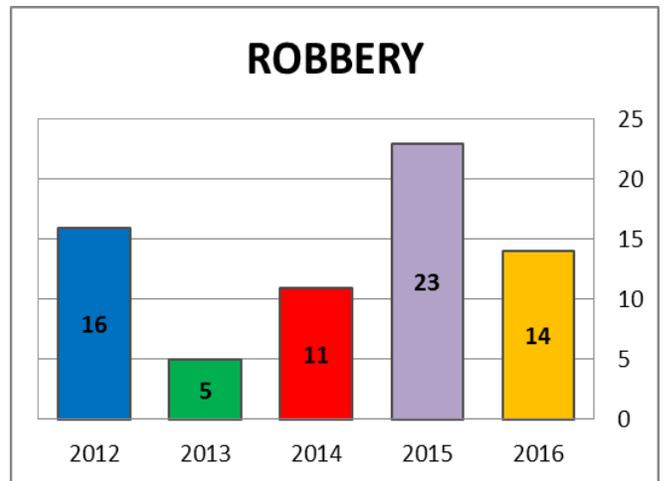
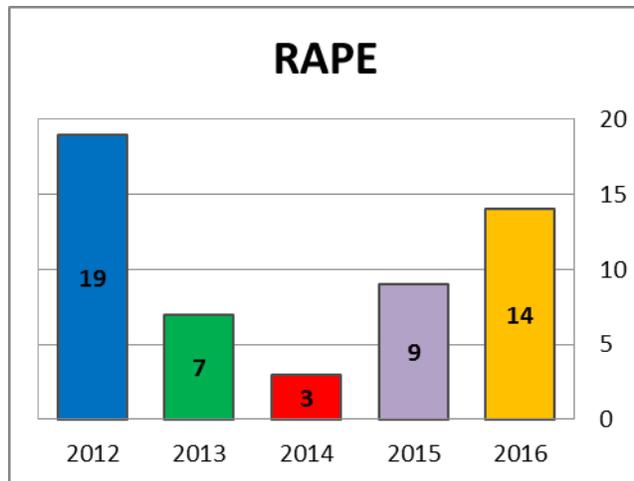
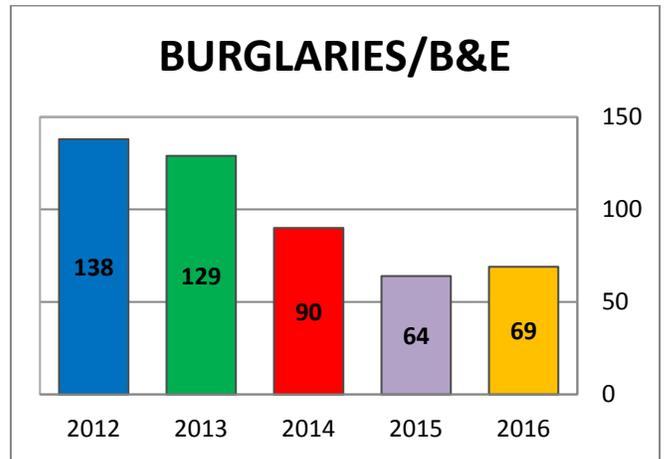
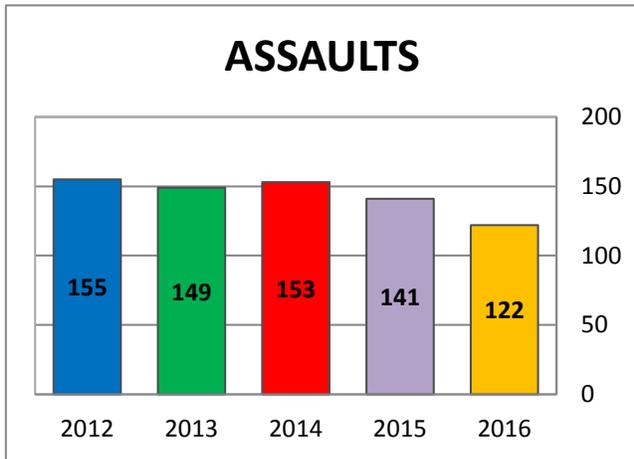
OVI STATISTICS

FIVE YEAR COMPARISON 2012 – 2016



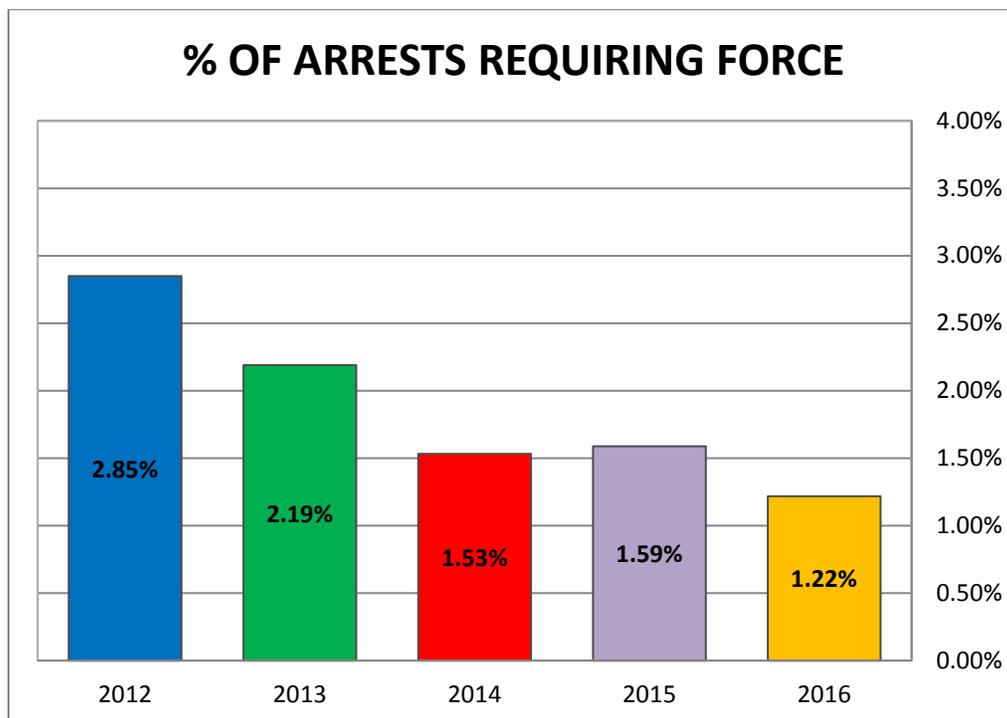
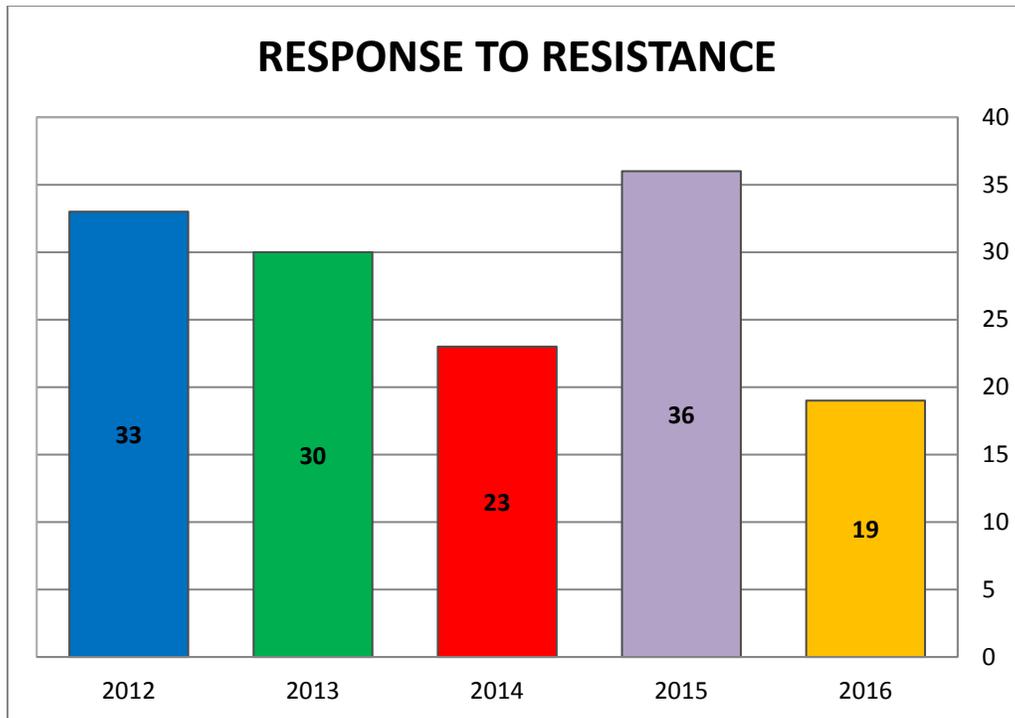
SERIOUS CRIME ACTIVITY

FIVE YEAR COMPARISON 2012 – 2016



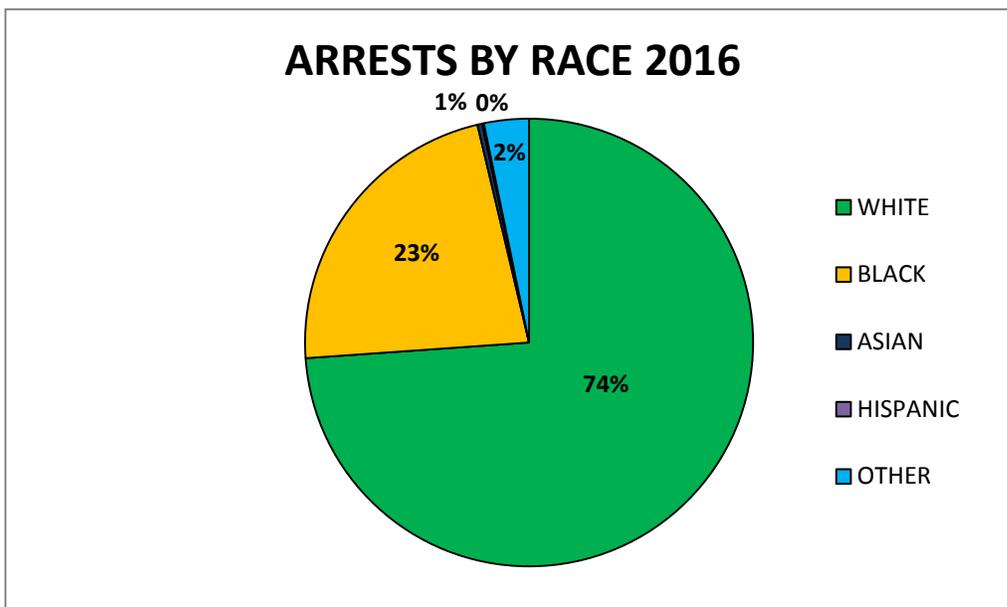
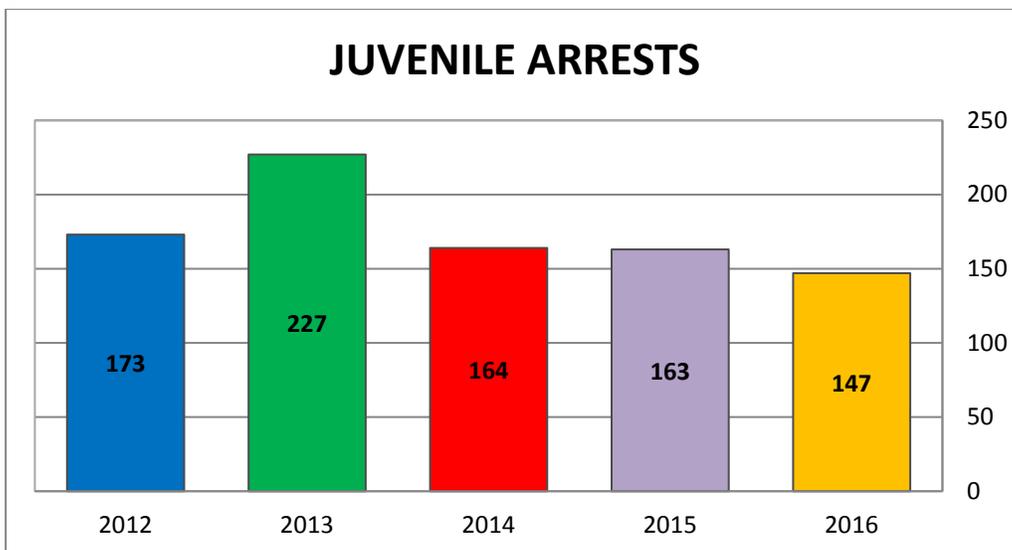
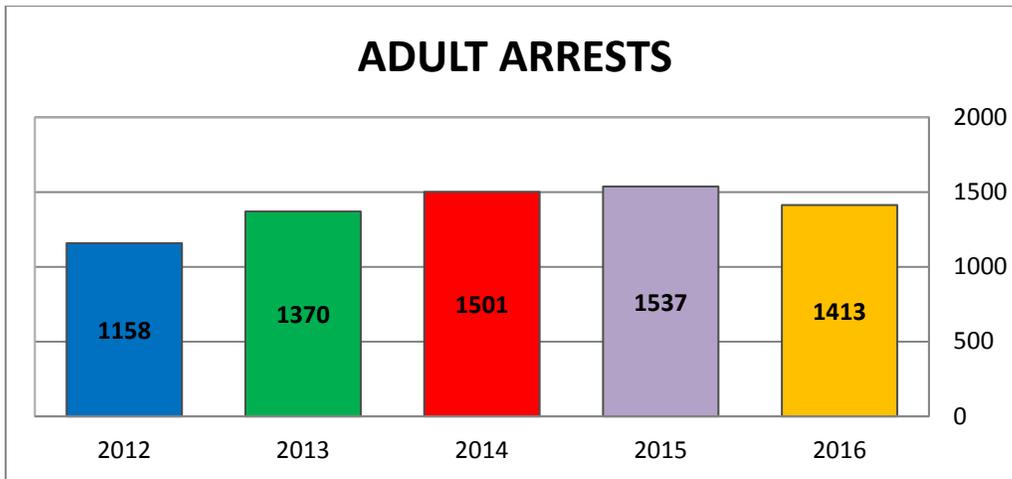
RESPONSE TO RESISTANCE

FIVE YEAR COMPARISON 2012 – 2016



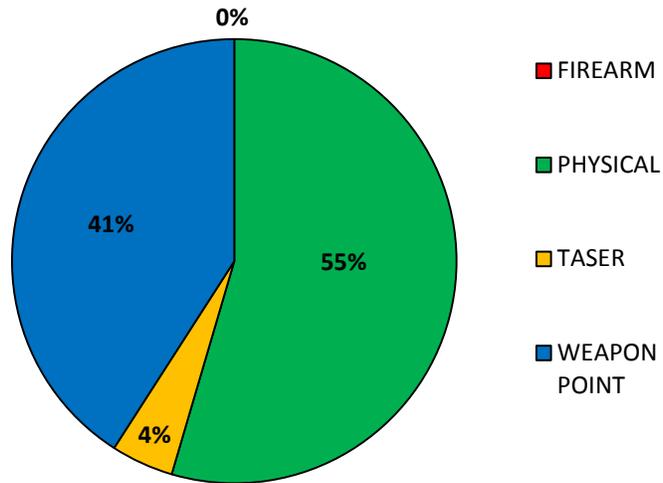
ARRESTS FIVE YEAR COMPARISON 2012 – 2016

ARRESTS BY RACE 2016

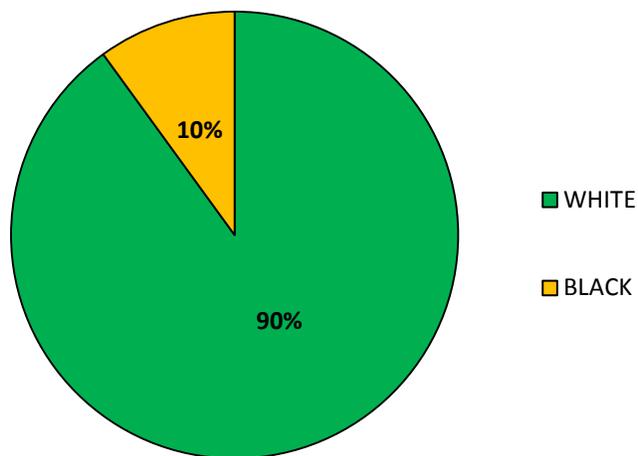


USE OF FORCE 2016

TYPE OF FORCE USED 2016



USE OF FORCE BY RACE 2016



Section V

Citizens on Preventive Patrol Summary

C.O.P.P.

Citizens on Preventive Patrol

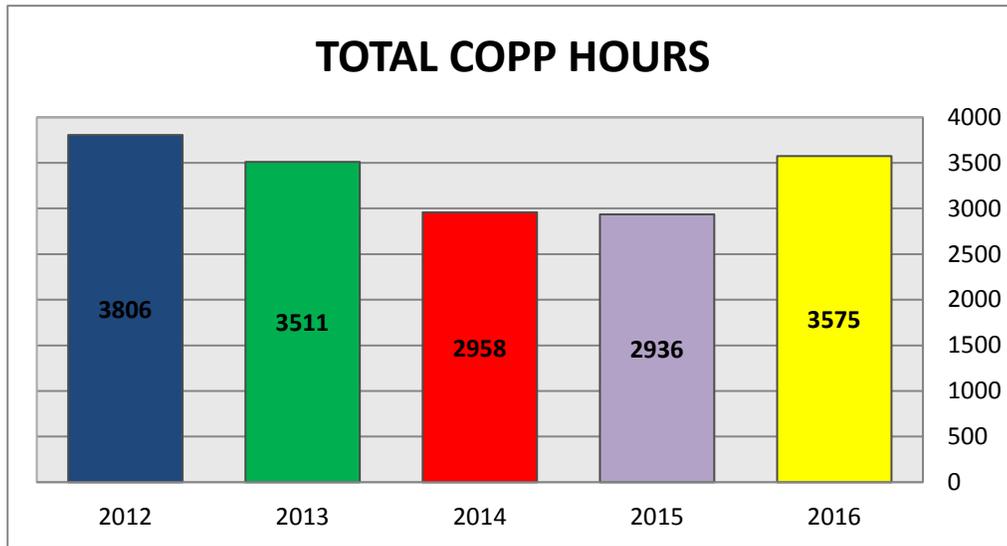
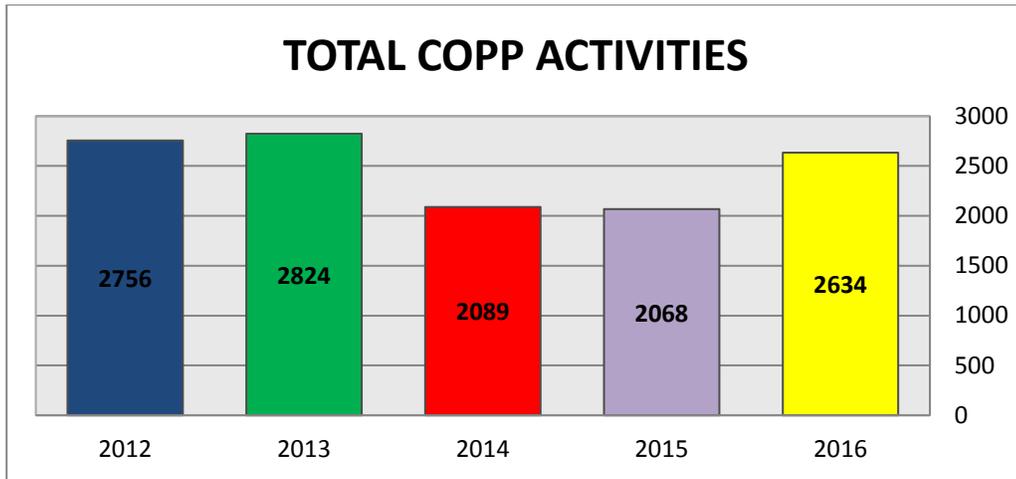


The Citizens on Preventive Patrol (COPP) program is entering its thirtieth service year and this group of non-paid volunteers continues to save taxpayer dollars for the police department budget. COPP volunteers perform non-enforcement duties such as patrolling Beaver creek roadways providing assistance to disabled motorists, assisting police by directing traffic at crash scenes and civic events such as the Popcorn Festival, conducting vacation house checks, and securing parks throughout the city. Their invaluable service supports the mission of the police department to provide quality service to our residents, freeing up the police force to perform their regular patrol and law enforcement duties.

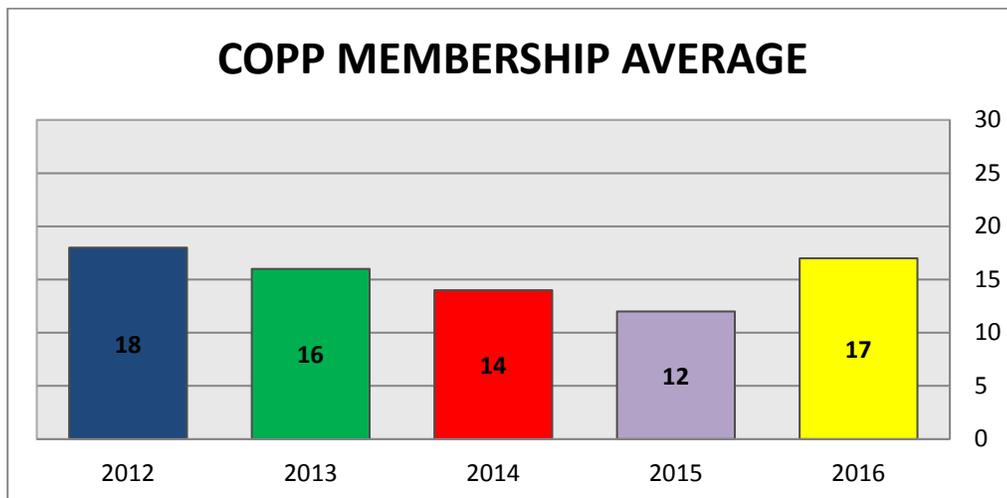
In 2016, there were seventeen active COPP members who worked over 3,500 duty hours in support of the Beaver creek Police Department and the citizens of Beaver creek. Their dedication to the community reflects the high standard of service excellence Beaver creek residents can depend on.



COPP VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT SUMMARY



Activities included vehicle crash assists, fire department assists, vacation house checks, securing community parks, citizen assists, special civic duties, and special details.



Section VI

In Partnership with Our Community

2016 Community Engagement Summary

Committed to work in partnership with our community, as outlined in our Mission Statement and Fundamental Goals, the Beavercreek Police Department participated in numerous tours, presentations, activities, programs and public safety campaigns throughout the community in 2016. Officers conducted building tours for scout groups, child care centers, and civic groups; performed car seat safety checks; attended neighborhood watch meetings; participated in public safety days at several local businesses and places of worship; conducted "Eye on Speed" details in residential areas; presented safety and security tips to local learning centers and churches; and made numerous visits to all of the Beavercreek City Schools throughout the school year.

Some of the year's highlights include:

- Officers Dave Holley and Jennifer Stephens helped select and size shoes for students at Parkwood Elementary School's *Shoes for the Shoeless* program January 15.
- Officer Chris Williams and K-9 DJ attended the Mardella Neighborhood Watch Group meeting and discussed the K-9 program and current crime trends March 15.
- Officers attended the Hillside Chapel Community Pancake Breakfast March 17.
- Officer Chris Williams and K-9 DJ participated during Law Enforcement Week at Beavercreek High School March 22 & 23.
- Platoon 3 officers participated in a Better Business Bureau presentation on senior scams at Peace Lutheran Church on April 14.
- Officers partnered with Soin Medical Center during its annual Safety Day event April 20.
- Platoon 1 officers partnered with the Beavercreek Parks Department annual Summer Kick Off and Kite Fly at Dominic Lofino Park April 23.
- Officers Rodney Curd and Kevin Kovacs discussed the job of an evidence technician with Shaw and Parkwood Elementary School students April 26.
- Officer Tim Lammert attended Primrose Academy's *Spring Fling Event* and presented information about the Police Department's Child Safety Seat Inspection program April 30.
- Officer Dave Holley displayed a patrol car and spoke with children at the Beavercreek Church of the Nazarene Day Care May 12.
- Officers read to students at Parkwood Elementary during *Right to Read* week May 13.
- Beavercreek Police partnered with Greene County Safe Communities, The Greene Town Center, City Barbeque, and area law enforcement agencies to kick off the annual "Click It or Ticket" campaign May 16 and the annual "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" campaign August 16.

- Beavercreek officers displayed patrol cars at Beavercreek Township Fire Department's Open House events at Station 64 May 17 and Station 63 May 19.
- Platoon 1 officers participated in the *Youth Fishing Derby* at Dominic Lofino Park May 21.
- Officer Kris Brownlee partnered with the Beavercreek Bikeway and Non-Motorized Transportation Advisory Committee (BANTAC) at the annual Bike Rodeo May 21.
- Platoon 1 officers read to Shaw Elementary students during their *Read with a Hero Days* May 23 and 24.
- Officer Chris Williams and K-9 DJ gave a demonstration at the Goddard School safety day event June 3.
- Officer Dave Holley assisted with judging at the annual Beavercreek Baptist Church Classic Car Show June 18.
- Officer Kevin Kovacs participated in the annual *Child Safety Day* event Mall at Fairfield Commons June 24.
- Officer Kevin Kovacs presented babysitting safety tips to adults and teenagers at C.I. Beaver Hall in partnership with Better Baby Sitters July 18.
- Annual Open House held July 23. Police department personnel answered questions, demonstrated equipment and provided food and refreshments to several hundred in attendance.
- Officers participated in Beavercreek Christian Church's *Super Hero Week* August 5.
- Beavercreek Police Department won the annual Battle of the Badges Blood Drive (in competition with the Beavercreek Township Fire Department) August 29.
- Platoon 2 officers participated in the Primrose Academy *Community Helpers* event October 10.
- Officer Mark Brown presented self-defense and safety tips at the First Command Financial Services *Fall Women's Expo* October 21.
- Platoon 2 officers helped pass out candy at the Christian Life Center's *Cruise-in for Candy and Movie Night* October 29.
- Platoon 1 officers read stories to children at the Beavercreek Public Library November 5.
- Officer Kevin Kovacs partnered with the Mall at Fairfield Commons to present holiday shopping tips to the Miami Valley Hospital Mall Walkers December 9.
- Officers volunteered to make stuffed animals at the annual Dayton Children's Hospital "Build a Bear" event held inside the Mall at Fairfield Commons December 23.

2016 D.A.R.E. Officer, Youth and Crime Prevention Community Activities

Officer Kevin Kovacs instructed the D.A.R.E. program classes at Fairbrook, Parkwood and E.G. Shaw Elementary Schools in the first half of 2016. Main, Valley, Trebein, and St. Luke elementary schools received D.A.R.E. instruction during the second half of 2016. Approximately 650 students were certified as D.A.R.E. graduates in the *"Keeping it Real"* curriculum. with graduation ceremonies held at each individual school. The curriculum is designed to help fifth and sixth grade students learn how to make safe and responsible choices.

Throughout 2016 Officer Kovacs also:

- Conducted or arranged tours of the police department for various scouting groups, day care and childhood learning centers, and other visitors;
- Co-hosted the annual summer D.A.R.E. Camp held at Camp Birch in Yellow Springs, with 42 sixth grade campers and ten high school peer counselors attending from Beavercreek and Xenia;
- Participated in the "Police and Youth Together" camp hosted by the National Conference for Community and Justice of Greater Dayton. The camp brings police officers together with urban and suburban youth to promote trust and cooperation;
- Participated in "Build-A-Bear" charity event to provide stuffed animals for patients at Children's Hospital unable to go home for Christmas. This year 281 stuffed animals were delivered to Children's Hospital; and
- Participated in the Child Safety Day event hosted by the Mall at Fairfield Commons and the Sinclair Community College Safety Expo.

As the Crime Prevention Officer, Officer Kovacs has developed presentations to help increase crime awareness and reduce crime risk for Beavercreek citizens, their families and community businesses. These training programs include: Identify Theft; Teen & Youth Internet Safety; Personal Safety; Neighborhood Watch; Workplace Violence; Making Our Home Secure; and Financial Institutions and Business Robbery.



2016 School Resource Officer Activities

During the 2016 school year, BHS School Resource Officer (SRO) Mark Brown was involved in numerous activities with our students, educators and City of Beaver Creek citizens, including:

- Implemented the ALICE program (**A**lert, **L**ockdown, **I**nform, **C**ounter, **E**vacuate) throughout the school district – a two part educational and practical scenario-based program;
- Presented during Law Enforcement week, in conjunction with the Government Classes, to expose the students to various aspects of being a police officer;
- Taught:
 - Drug and alcohol awareness to multiple health classes using impaired goggles as a real-life teaching aid;
 - Government classes on 4th Amendment and search and seizure issues; and
 - Crime Scene Investigation and Evidence classes to a Forensic Science Class;
- Participated in the Homecoming Parade as well as attending and chaperoning the Prom and Homecoming dance;
- Attended and worked at numerous sporting events supporting Beaver Creek teams;
- Coordinated and attended a K9 demonstration along with field trips for the Government classes to the Beaver Creek Police Department and the local courthouses;
- Assisted various schools' staff and crisis teams with conducting table-top exercises; and
- Worked with Middle School SRO Matt Hickey to provide every school with supplies and equipment for building safety.



2016 School Resource Officer Activities

Officer Matt Hickey is assigned to the Beaver Creek School District as the School Resource Officer for the middle schools. His primary responsibility is for Ankeney and Coy Middle Schools, but he is also available across the district, encompassing eleven school facilities.

In 2016, SRO Hickey:

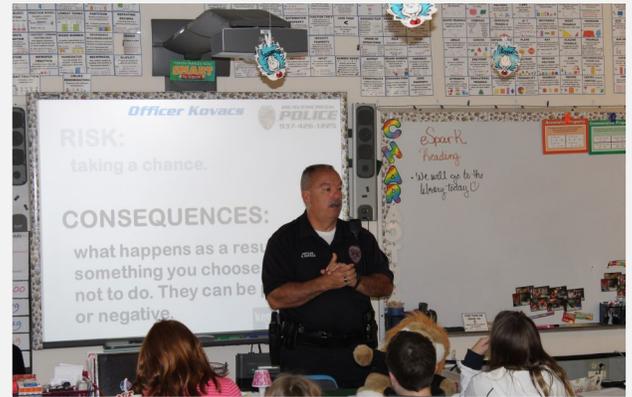
- Assisted SRO Brown with implementing the ALICE Training concepts (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) - a two-part educational and practical scenario-based training;
- Conducted mock traffic stops with SRO Brown during BHS Law Enforcement Week;
- Taught “Drug Awareness” to 8th grade “Fitness For Life” classes and all middle school Health Classes;
- Attended and worked numerous sporting events supporting Beaver Creek teams;
- Completed training on managing school bus crisis situations;
- Coordinated a K9 narcotics sweep at Coy Middle School;
- Assisted various schools’ staff and crisis teams with conducting table-top exercises; and
- Worked with SRO Mark Brown to develop a unified crisis manual for public safety officers responding to critical incidents at the schools.



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COMMUNITY



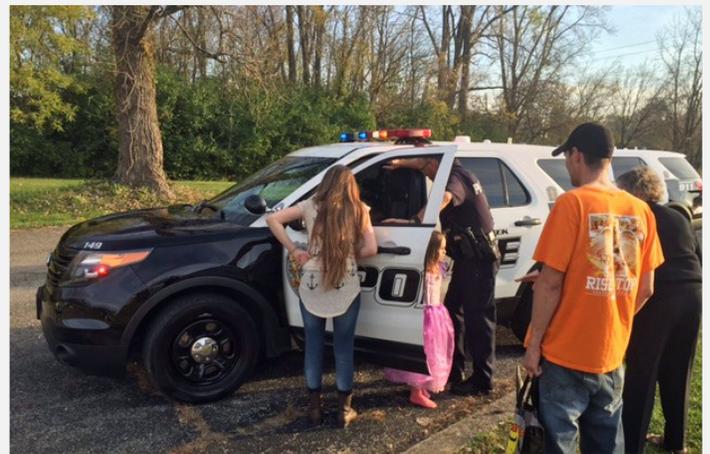
Chief Evers reads to Primrose Academy students



Officer Kevin Kovacs conducts DARE class



Guest Judge Officer Dave Holley at BBC Car Show



Trunk or Treat at Christian Learning Center



Officers Kris Brownlee and Jennifer Stephens at Clark State Career Fair



Officer Chris Williams & K9 DJ at Mardella Neighborhood Watch Meeting

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COMMUNITY



Officer Kovacs at Fairfield Commons Safety Days



Officer Tim Lammert at Fairfield Commons Safety Days



Citizens Police Academy Class #14



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COMMUNITY



Platoon 1 Assists with Grangeview Acres Park Rehab



Officer Lammert conducts car seat check



Officer Brownlee with Greene County Law Enforcement Explorers



Officer Williams and K9 DJ at Trebein School



Officers Mark Brown and Matt Hickey conduct Active Threat training

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COMMUNITY



CPA Class #14 Representative Carolyn Wilt presents class gift to K9 Hans and Officer Dave Majercak



DARE Officer Kevin Kovacs with 2016 DARE Campers

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COMMUNITY



"Thank a Police Officer Day"

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COMMUNITY

Annual Police Appreciation Lunch provided by Pat Roeller



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COMMUNITY



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COMMUNITY



Officers Jennifer Stephens (above) and Dave Holley (right) assist with Shoes for the Shoeless Program



2016 City of Beaver Creek Try a Truck Event

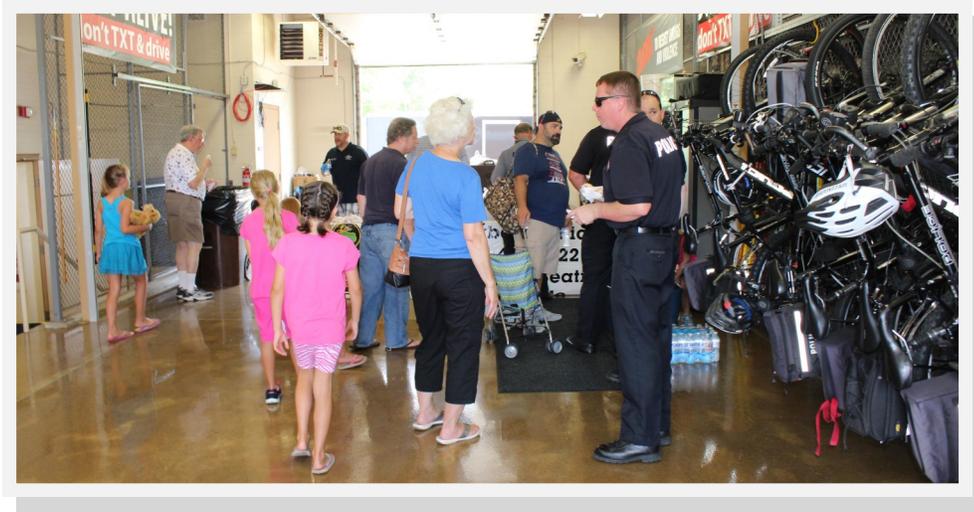
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Citizen Surveys 2016

The Beavercreek Police Department conducts documented random surveys of citizen opinions on a monthly basis. The survey instrument is mailed to 5% of all citizens making a call for service, and 5% of all citizens who receive enforcement action (i.e. citation, summons, arrest, etc.). Results from the survey instrument reflect:

- Overall agency performance;
- Overall competence of agency employees;
- Citizen's perception of Officer's attitudes and behavior;
- Concerns over safety and security within the agency's service area
- Citizen recommendations and suggestions for improvement.

Completed surveys are forwarded to the Office of the Chief of Police and used to improve services, procedures and efficiency, and to initiate new training programs. Approximately 10% of those surveys sent out were returned.

COMMENTS: *(Taken verbatim from returned surveys)*

"The officer that came out to my accident was very nice and great with my children. Given the circumstances in requiring the officer was not a pleasant experience, the officer was very supportive and nice. Thank you."

"The officers were very nice. They were very professional and courteous. I could not have asked for better."

"I had an auto accident on N. Fairfield near the bridge over I675. Fairborn Police responded but claimed I was 20 feet... in Beavercreek's jurisdiction. It took a while for the officer to respond."

"Off... did a great job. I really appreciate him tracking down the hit and run driver."

"Officer was highly professional and friendly."

"The officer's response was in relation to an auto accident. I was pleased with the officer's courtesy and professionalism."

"The department responded to my request to file a report when someone damaged my property and stole a few political signs. The officer who responded was polite, fair and reasonable. My thanks to the Beavercreek PD."

"The officer was professional and nice to me."

"I exceeded the speed limit on US-35 eastbound. Totally my fault. The officer pulled me over and was super nice about the whole incident."

"I was speeding on Grange Hall Rd. (top of hill speed trap) 54mph in a 35. – coming down hill. I would have liked to know where Off... was sitting when he buzzed me. He got 54mph on his radar. I've gone by that church 1000's of times and there is no way to even slow down coming down that hill. Without braking, you even coast @ 45mph. –Bummer for me- Professional officer doing his job though."

Section VII

2016 Goals and Objectives

BEAVERCREEK POLICE DEPARTMENT 2016 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

DEPARTMENT GOALS

Prevention of Crime Deterrence of Crime Apprehension of Offenders
Recovery and Return of Property Utilization of Resources

As a means of fulfilling these goals, the City of Beavercreek Police Department has set performance objectives for each Division in 2016 to include:

ADMINISTRATION

A-001 Complete implementation of a social media web presence for department.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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A-002 Complete implementation of mobile PD Application.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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A-003 Continue supervisory training for command and supervisory personnel.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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A-004 Explore implementation of a Citizen Advisory Committee.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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INVESTIGATIONS

I-001 Continue college intern program with one (minimum) intern per semester.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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I-002 Expand efforts in Human Trafficking related investigations.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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SUPPORT SERVICES

S-001 Review annual training calendar against OPOTA requirements for maintaining Peace Officer certifications.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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S-002 Explore new evaluation system for all police department employees.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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S-003 Conduct quarterly quality control evaluation for all police, fire and EMS calls for service into the Communications Center.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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S-004 Coordinate the holding of Police Department Open House in conjunction with National Police Week in May.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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OPERATIONS

O-001 Conduct at least one liquor enforcement and tobacco enforcement operation at known complaint locations of liquor and tobacco sales establishments.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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O-002 Conduct at least one OVI sobriety checkpoint in the city in conjunction with Ohio State Highway Patrol.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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O-003 Recruit and train new members to supplement COPP membership.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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O-004 Conduct at least one K-9 drug/contraband search at the High School and Junior High School during the 2016-2017 school year.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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O-005 Conduct one Citizen's Police Academy session in 2016.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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O-006 Implementation of pilot program evaluating Body Worn Cameras.

Percentage completed:	25%	50%	75%	100%
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Section VIII

Media

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Chamber recognizes community members



Photos by Barb Slone | Greene County News
ABOVE, outstanding Young Persons of the Year were Makaila Saylor and Chelsea Hoff. They were recognized for their charity benefit to help Children's Medical Center children at Christmas. AT LEFT, Carol Graff presented John Mercs with the Beaver Creek Township Employee of the Year Award.



ABOVE, the Beaver Creek Chamber of Commerce celebrating 50 years hosted its annual awards banquet Friday honoring community members throughout the year. Mike McGuffey was named the firefighter of the year for his off-duty response to a lawnmower fire. AT LEFT, Don Adams accepted the Beaver Creek City Group of the Year Award for the Citizens on Preventative Patrol (COPP) group presented to them by Beaver Creek Police Chief Dennis Evers.

Police conduct underage alcohol checks ^{5/6/16}

Greene County News

BEAVERCREEK
— The Beaver Creek Police Department conducted undercover liquor enforcement compliance checks Friday at 23 locations in the city.

According to a release from the department, the operation was aided by 19-year-olds who attempted to purchase alcohol at liquor establishments, convenience marts and drive-through stores. Employees at four of the targeted businesses reportedly sold to the informants and were subsequently cited and released for sale

“The checks are periodically conducted by the Beaver Creek Police Department to ensure compliance and to deter minors from attempting to purchase alcohol. The Ohio Investigative Unit will send letters to all businesses that were found to be in compliance thanking them for following the law by carding customers to ensure no underage sales occur.”

— Beaver Creek Police Department release

of intoxicating liquor to persons under the age of 21, according to police.

“The checks are periodically conducted by the Beaver Creek Police Department to ensure compliance and to deter minors from

attempting to purchase alcohol,” the release stated. “The Ohio Investigative Unit will send letters to all businesses that were found to be in compliance thanking them for following the law by carding customers

to ensure no underage sales occur.”

Said Beaver Creek Police Chief Dennis Evers, “Our enforcement efforts are designed to protect our youth. We want to commend the businesses that were in compliance for reducing the opportunity for our youth to possess and consume alcohol. We would recommend for those businesses not in compliance, that they take the necessary steps to train their employees on the law and the potential penalties if they don’t comply with the law.”

Content provided by the Beaver Creek Police Department.

Lammert receives Blue Coat Award ^{6/2/16}

News-Current Report

BEAVERCREEK
— Beaver Creek Police Department Officer Tim Lammert has received the 2016 Knights of Columbus Council 7981 Blue Coat Award.

Hired in 1999, Officer Lammert has served the agency as a patrol officer with credentials including Crisis Intervention Team member, Field Training Officer, Technical Crash Investigator, Evidence Technician, and Officer-in-Charge. As a certi-



Lammert

fied Child Passenger Safety Seat Technician, Officer Lammert teaches citizens

how to properly install and utilize child safety seats in their vehicles. His efforts to educate others about proper safety seat use illustrate his commitment to safeguarding the lives of our citizens, especially our youngest community members.

According to officials, he is “well respected by his peers and regarded as a team player, Officer Lammert is always willing to help and continually portrays a positive attitude at work and toward the public.”

Dedicated to his family, church, police department and fellow officers, and the community he serves, Officer Lammert has managed to successfully balance his time between all. He volunteers with the Girl Scouts and assists with coaching youth softball,

both of which enable him to spend time with his daughter.

“Officer Lammert is very deserving of the Blue Coat Award, not only because of his strong commitment to family, church, and community, but also for his dedication to the law enforcement profession,” said Knights of Columbus officials.

He was recently honored by the Knights of Columbus at its annual banquet at St. Luke Catholic Church on May 14.

Chief requests more staff as BPD 'spread thin'

By Nathan Pilling
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BEAVERCREEK — Beaver Creek's police chief is requesting additional staff for the city's police department, partially in an effort to maintain the city's proactive policing model, he said Monday.

At a Beaver Creek City Council work session Monday night, police chief Dennis Evers suggested adding three to five police officers, three additional communications operators, one additional clerk, as well as increasing an administrative assistant's hours during the week.

The city's police department is currently authorized by City Council to have 48 members on staff, two more than was authorized in 1996, according to Evers.

According to U.S. Census Bureau data, the city's population grew about 25 percent, from about 36,700 to about 46,000, from 1996 to 2014.

Evers said the department is "spread thin" with two officers committed to city schools, two

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Submitted photo

The Beaver Creek Police Department is currently authorized to have 48 members on staff.

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committed to the Greene County ACE Task Force, some individuals on injury leave and one officer on administrative leave "with no end in sight" following the John Crawford III Wal-Mart shooting incident in 2014.

The additional officers would be needed to continue using the "proactive policing model" the department adopted in 1998, according to Evers. The model seeks to increase proactive and preventative initiatives throughout the community, as opposed to a reactive model that chases problems, according to Evers.

The communications operators would be needed in response to new Ohio Department of Administrative Services rules, which require two dispatchers to be on duty and available to receive and process emergency calls at all times. The department would need to be compliant with the new rules by May 2018 or it would face losing about \$100,000 a year in 911

funding, Evers said.

The additional clerk would aid in fulfilling public records requests and would deal with video redaction associated with implementing a police body camera program, according to Evers.

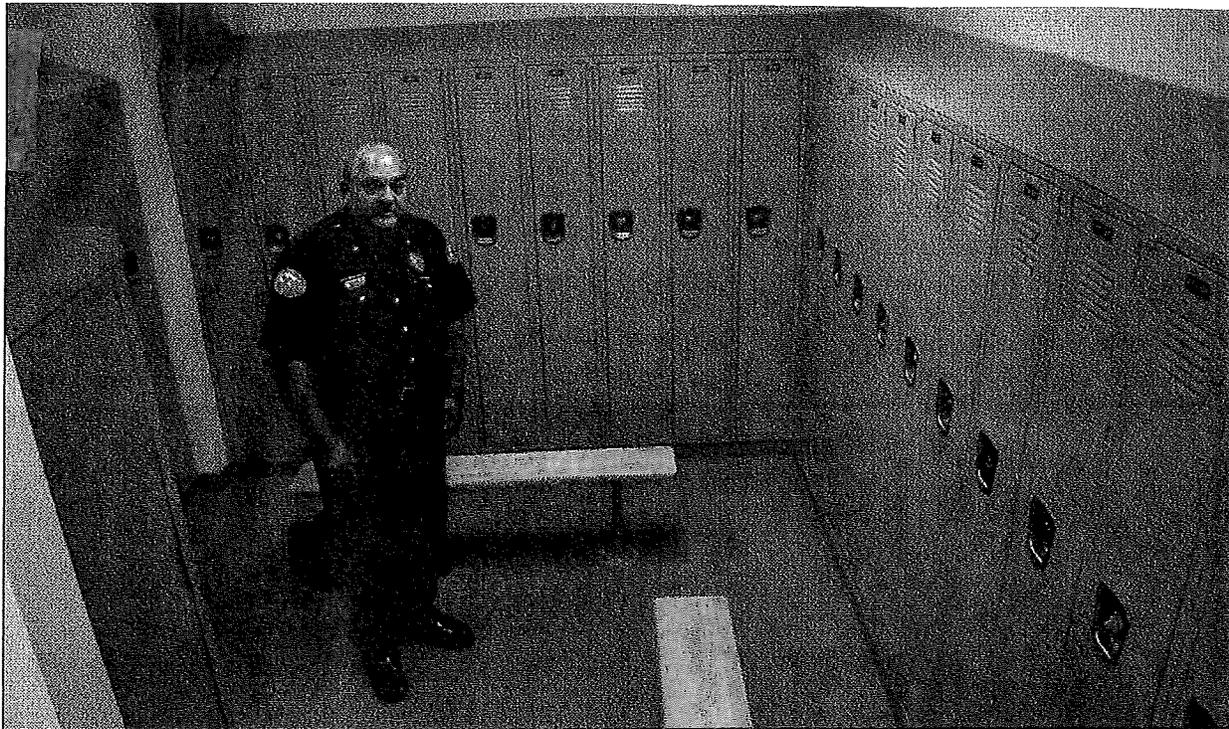
"We've worked very hard over the last 20 years to put us in the position we're in right now," Evers said. "I just want to make sure that we're recognizing, when incident [call] numbers go up and officer staffing is at an optimum level ... we're going to see a reduction in those crime numbers. We want to keep that trend. That's the trend we want to see."

The staffing changes could mean voters could be asked to consider a larger police levy when the current levy expires in tax year 2018, with collections in 2019.

"What I don't want to happen is that we fall behind, and we start chasing the [crime] problem," Evers said. "When that happens it's very, very difficult to reverse."

"We have a relatively safe community," he said. "I'd like to keep it that way."

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Beaver Creek Police Chief Dennis Evers stands in the police building's men's locker room, which "lacks adequate space" to meet the department's needs, according to city documents.

Officials eyeing upgrades

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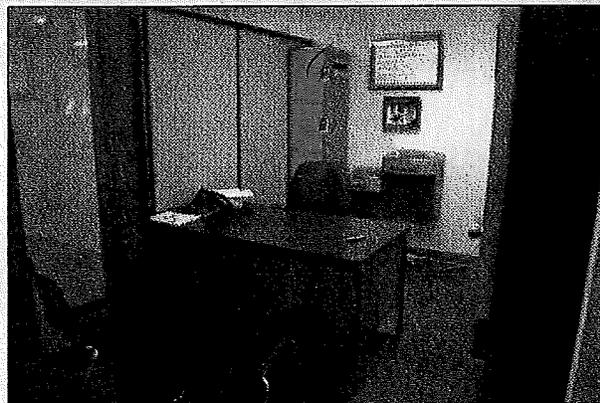
BEAVERCREEK — Beaver Creek officials are looking into upgrades for the city's police building.

"We've maxed out every inch of this building," police chief Dennis Evers said of the department's current 11,900-square-foot facility on Research Park Drive. "There's just no room to expand or grow."

According to Evers, several building deficiencies are driving the initial considerations. A largely unused space

near the building's entrance; a witness interview area in the facility's lobby, which affords little privacy; lack of space in the building's roll call room and men's locker room; and an unsecured outdoor parking area for the department's vehicles, are areas where upgrades are needed "in the not-too-distant future," according to the chief of police.

He also noted that when assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies recently conducted an on-site inspection, they noted



The department's witness interview area is in the police building's main lobby area.

"several issues" with the building, including security concerns and that the building's holding area was inadequate for segregating detainees by

age and gender.

City officials are in the process of choosing a firm to conduct

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feasibility study, which would help to determine what upgrades could be

made and how expensive they would be.

Evers noted that while a new police building "may" come out of the discussions, he said, "This is by no means an attempt to get a new

building."

"I just want to know, is it feasible to do anything in this building?" Evers said. "If it is, then what can we address as far as the deficiencies we've identified and potentially,

what's the cost associated with that? That's the first step."

Evers said the department moved into its current building in 1997.

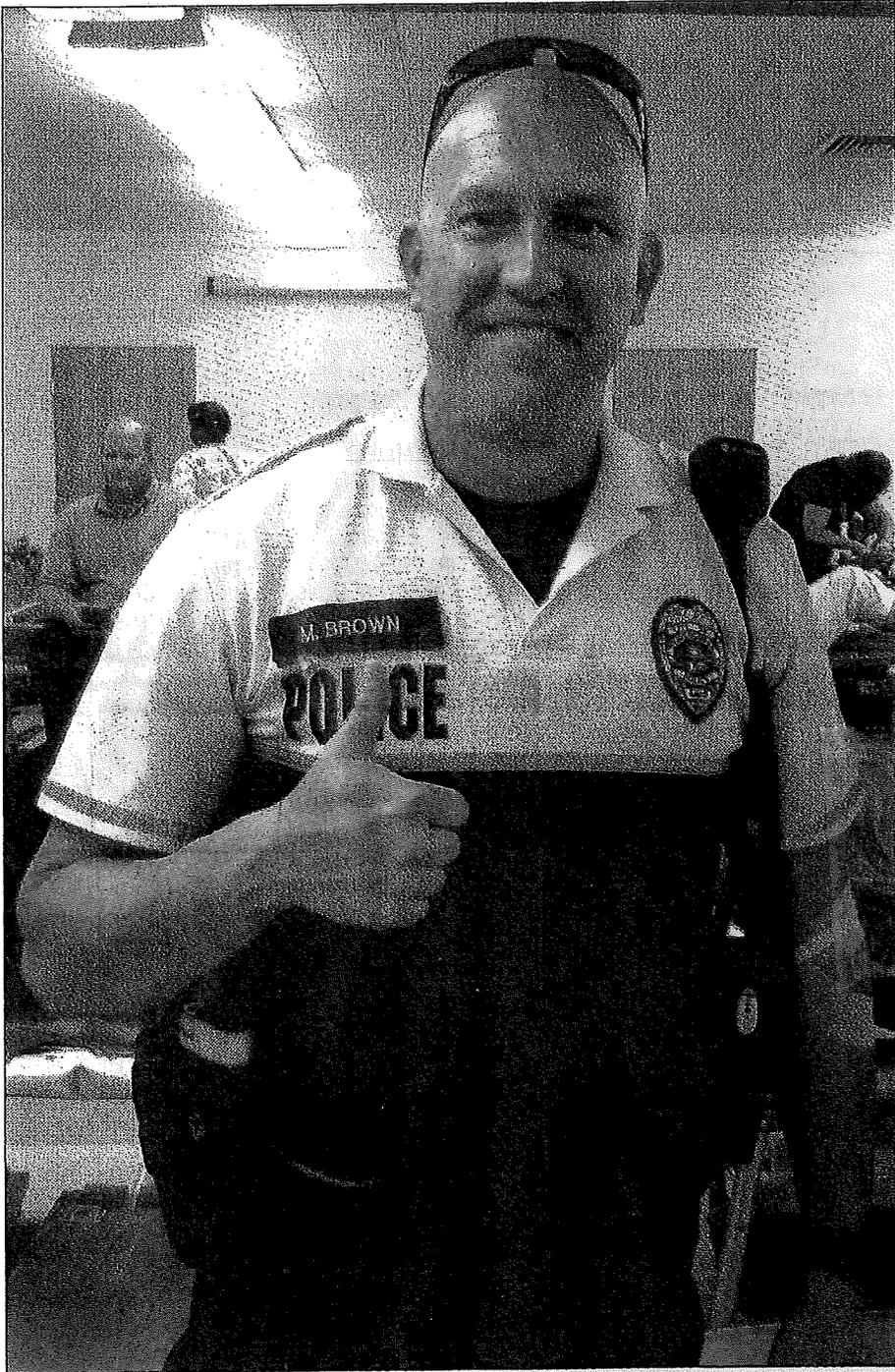
"To be honest with you, we outgrew it the day we

moved into it," he said. "We have squeezed everything out of the space we have in here."

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Donors gave blood and voted for either the fire or police departments during the blood drive.

Police win the battle

Record number of donors give blood

News-Current Report

BEAVERCREEK — Community Blood Center continues to see an increase each year the

Beavercreek police and fire departments go head to head for the community.

On Monday, Aug. 29, it was the Beavercreek

Police Department that pulled an upset with 61 votes over the Beavercreek Fire Department with 57 votes at Peace Lutheran Church in the Third Annual Battle of

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ing the summer months.

This is because people usually go on vacations and schools that usually provide donations are out of session. Even though the blood donations are at its lowest, blood use is normally at its highest during the summer because of accidents, surgeries, trauma, etc.

"This is just our way of giving back," Cochran said. "You just never know when a family member or you may need blood. We just want to make sure there's enough."

Donors - 99 Donations; 2015 - 101 Donors - 87 Donations and 2014 - 114 Donors - 88 Donations.

"By doing the blood drive, it's just a fun thing for both departments to do to help the community," said Beavercreek Township Auxiliary Fire Department Pat Cochran said.

In 2014, the fire department won 59-41 and in 2015, 52-33.

The reason for the blood drive is because donations are at its lowest point dur-

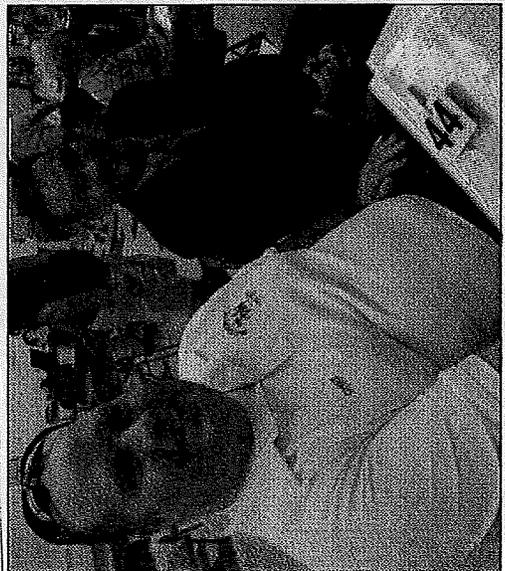
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the Badges Blood Drive. The last two years the fire department has won that title.

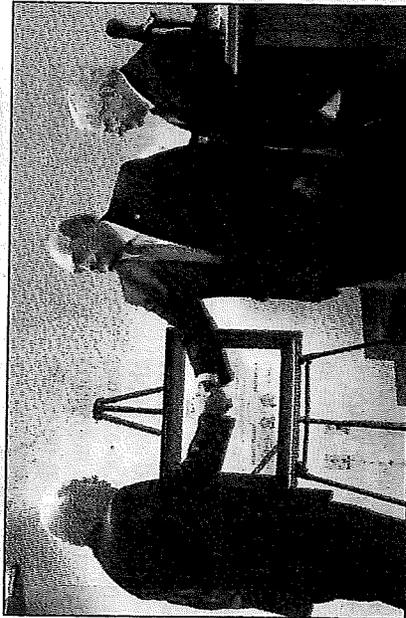
According to the CBC, the Beavercreek Battle of the Badges had 126 donors, including 19 first-time donors and 99 donations for 118 percent of goal.

This year marked the biggest show of support for the Battle of the Badges: 2016 - 126



Submitted photo
Chief Van den Bos with Township Administrator Alexander Zaharjeff wait to give blood during the Battle of the Badges.

Police get top accreditation



Submitted photo
Chief Douglas Knight, Commissioner of the Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agency, presented Beaver Creek Chief Evers and the police department with an accreditation of excellence gold standards.

By Danielle Coots
For the News-Current

BEAVERCREEK — Chief Douglas Knight, Commissioner of The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agency (CALEA) presented Beaver Creek Chief Evers and the police department with an accreditation of excellence gold standards. This is the department's 6th consecutive year receiving this award, with the first being in 1999.

"CALEA was created in 1979 when founding organizations such as International Association of Chiefs of Police, The National Association of Black Law Enforcement Executives, The National Sheriff's Association and the Police Executive Research Forum recognized a need within the law enforcement community to develop professional standards to enhance the delivery of police services to the citizens throughout the

community," Knight said. The accreditation standards have been developed and set by some of the highest respected police professionals in the Midwest. The standards cover a wide range of administrative duties and other standards that are designed to strengthen police standards and the safety of the community.

The Beaver Creek Police Department has excelled with high standards of service.

"The certificate itself is just a matted paper within a frame, but it has a much broader symbolic meaning. The certificate clearly represents the agencies effort to achieve accredited status thereby demonstrating its willingness to change in order to effectively address public safety concerns," Knight said. "It also demonstrates an ongoing dedication to ensuring the agencies

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resources that are constantly managed to ensure the safety of the

community, resident, visitors, workers, customers."

Beaver Creek Chief Dennis Evers thanked all that support the police department, especially during the accreditation process.

"I want to take a moment to thank the men and women in the Beaver Creek Police Department because they are the ones that go out every day and deliver a very professional ser-

vice. I'm very proud of them," said Chief Evers. "We could not do what we do without the support of the community and volunteers. It's a collaborative effort that we received this award."



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November 18, 2016

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OHIO AWARDS CERTIFICATION TO THE BEAVERCREEK AND BELLBROOK POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR ADOPTING STANDARDS

COLUMBUS – The Beavercreek and Bellbrook Police Departments (Greene County) have adopted and implemented state standards established by the Ohio Collaborative Community-Police Advisory Board as part of the state's efforts to strengthen community and police relations.

The agencies join nearly 120 other agencies who have become certified by meeting standards for the use of force, including deadly force, and agency recruitment and hiring. The standards are the first of their kind in Ohio and were developed by the Collaborative in August 2015.

The state has partnered with the Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association and the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police to help certify Ohio's nearly 1,000 law enforcement agencies on a process to ensure that they are in compliance with Ohio's new standards.

Certifications will continue throughout 2016. The first list of all Ohio compliant agencies will be published in March 2017.

For more information on the Ohio Collaborative, the certification process for law enforcement and the complete list of agencies who have been certified, please visit: <http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/ohiocollaborative/>

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Two promoted in the department

By Danielle Coots
For the News-Current

BEAVERCREEK —
The Beaver Creek Police
Department promoted

two of their own in
November. Nick Amato
and Chad Lindsey are get-
ting settled in their new
positions of Sergeant and
Captain.

The police department
celebrated the promotions
on Nov. 11 in front
of family, friends and

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colleagues. Chief Evers introduced them in their new capacity to Beaver Creek City Council on Nov. 28.

"Both Captain Lindsey and Sergeant Amato have been positive contributors to our organization, exemplifying the agency's organizational values and mission statement. I'm confident they're among our future leaders and will do remarkable work to continue moving the Beaver Creek Police Department forward," Police Chief Dennis Evers said.

According to the official press release provided by the Beaver Creek Police Department, Sergeant Amato received a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Kentucky University. He graduated from the Ohio State Highway Patrol Training Program and then secured a position as a law enforcement officer with the Beaver Creek Police Department in 2004.

"I really enjoy helping people and putting away the bad guys. If I can intervene and help just one person, I think it's all worth it," Sergeant Amato said. "I wouldn't be where I am today without my family and friends. My family has sacrificed tremendously over the years to allow me to keep pushing forward, and I'll be forever grateful."

During his time with the police department, Amato worked as an evidence technician, field training officer, officer-in-charge and crisis intervention team member. He was assigned to the Investigations Division as a detective in 2010, where he spent approximately five years with the Greene County ACE Task Force. In 2014, he was reassigned to the general assignment section of the Investigations Division. Currently, he is attending the supervisor



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Pictured are Beaver Creek Police Chief Dennis Evers, Captain Chad Lindsey and Sergeant Nick Amato.

training and education program administered by the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police and will graduate in December.

"I've had the privilege of working with so many great people at Beaver Creek Police Department. I'm honored to work side-by-side with them. Beaver Creek is a great community and we take pride in keeping our community and we take pride in keeping our community safe at all costs," Sergeant Amato said. "It's going to take some time to get adjusted to patrol again. I was assigned to the detective section for the last seven years. I think it's imperative to be proactive and change with the times, hopefully, one step ahead."

Sergeant Amato will be working the night shift platoon.

Captain Lindsey collects board games to play with his family. Currently, he has more than 70 board games. In his

spare time, he loves catching movies, reading, watching sports.

"During my senior year in high school, I rode with a local officer as part of a 'Government Day' and after observing his professionalism and how he cared about helping the community, I immediately knew I wanted a career in law enforcement," Captain Lindsey said. "I was honored and humbled to be promoted to captain. I'm excited to take on the challenges of a new position. I'll work hard to accomplish the goals of my division and the department while upholding our mission statement and values of fairness, integrity and loyalty."

Captain Lindsey is a graduate from University of Dayton with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. Lindsey graduated from the Ohio State Highway Patrol Training Academy and was

hired by the Beaver Creek Police Department in 2002.

"It might sound like a cliché, but the one thing I love the most about the job is helping people resolve problems and difficult situations in their lives. Regardless of the position I've held at the department, my primary goal has been to treat people fairly and with respect and to do everything in my power to protect and serve," Captain Lindsey said.

During his career with the police department, Captain Lindsey has served as an evidence technician, technical crash investigator, crisis intervention team member, hostage negotiator and officer-in-charge. He was assigned to the Investigations Division as a detective in 2013, became a certified polygraph examiner in 2014, and was promoted to sergeant in 2015. He has received both department and civic recognition, including

Department Commendations and a Meritorious Service Award. He was honored with a Miami Valley Crime Stoppers Officer of the Year Award in 2010. Lindsey is currently attending Police Executive Leadership College, administered by the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police and will graduate soon.

"My support system started with my parents as I worked my way through college. It's continued with my wife and kids as I have advanced in my career and taken on new challenges and responsibilities. The chief, command staff, and fellow employees at the police department have helped me develop as an officer and leader," said Captain Lindsey.

Captain Lindsey will oversee and command the investigations division.

"Congratulations to both of you on your current promotions," Beaver Creek City Mayor Bob Stone said.

Police captain graduates from leadership college

For News-Current

BEAVERCREEK — The Beaver Creek Police Department announced Captain Chad Lindsey graduated from Police Executive Leadership College (PELC) Class 70 in Worthington on Nov. 18.

Captain Lindsey was among a class of 36 law enforcement professionals who join the ranks of over 2,000 graduates from the PELC program since its inception in 1987. PELC, administered through the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police Law Enforcement Foundation, is designed to provide law enforcement executives with vital advanced level leadership training to enable their organizations to meet current demands and the requirements of tomorrow. The Beaver Creek Police Department has long been committed to an emphasis on and investment in advanced level professional training to address the needs of our agency and community.



Captain Chad Lindsey

Captain Lindsey has worked for the Beaver Creek Police Department since 2002. He holds a bachelor of science in criminal justice studies from the University of Dayton. He has worked various functions within the police department to include time in the uniform patrol and investigations divisions and became a certified polygraph examiner in 2014. Prior to his current assignment as Investigations Division Commander he was a patrol supervisor.

Story courtesy of Beaver Creek Police Department.

Sergeants graduate from STEP

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BEAVERCREEK — Beaver Creek Police Sergeants Vincent (Nick) Amato and Daniel Krall graduated from Supervisor Training and Education Program (STEP) Class 16 in Worthington on Dec. 7.

STEP is a series of weekly courses attended over a three month period that is designed to help develop critical competencies in the new first line supervisory and management theory is translated into professional practice.

STEP includes 13 in-class sessions with interactive discussions as well as out-of-class assignments. STEP is administered through the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police Law Enforcement Foundation.



Krall



Amato

Sergeant Amato began his law enforcement career with the Beaver Creek Police Department in 2004. During his tenure, he has worked in various job functions within the department and spent approximately five years with the Greene County ACE Task Force. In 2014, he was reassigned to the general assignment section of the Investigations Division. He was promoted to sergeant in November 2016.

Sergeant Krall began his law enforcement career when

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he joined the Beaver Creek Police Department November 2001. During his tenure with the agency, Sergeant Krall has assumed many job functions and has been a member of the Regional Emergency Response Team since 2013. He was assigned to the Investigations Division as a detective in 2014 and promoted to sergeant in January 2016.

Story courtesy of the Beaver Creek Police Department. *12/22/16*

Perales presents recognition to police department

By Danielle Coots
For the News-Current

BEAVERCREEK —Ohio State Representative Rick Perales presented the Beavercreek Police Department and the COPPs with recognition of excellence regarding the outstanding accreditation for law enforcement for 2016.

“Given the events at Ohio State recently, it makes us very mindful of how important our police department is. Nobody in the region has a better police department than Beavercreek,” Perales said during his presentation at the past city council meeting that was temporarily being held at Senior Center.

This is a recognition that the police department has earned annually

since 1999. Only 5% of the police agencies in the country win this award and less than 2% of those do it with excellence, like the Beavercreek Police Department has. Rigorous standards determine the eligibility.

“We already knew we had a great police department and tremendous leadership in our chief, but this just verifies that,” Perales said. “I’m a citizen of this community and I really appreciate it.”

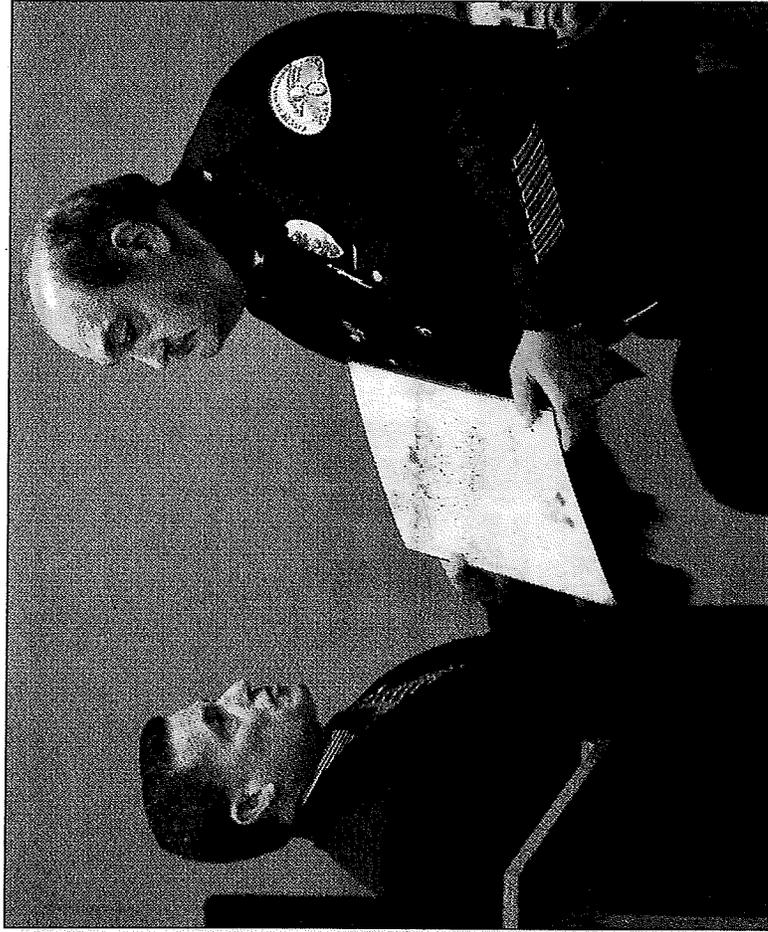
“Upon behalf of the men and women of the police department, we thank you Rick for this honor. But, this is because of a partnership that we have with the community and our residents, city council and all the departments within the city, we are not successful by ourselves.

It’s because of the collaborative we have with these organizations and individuals that allows us to keep our community safe,” Beavercreek Police Department Chief Dennis Evers said.

Recognition didn’t stop with the police department. Perales also presented recognition to the Citizen of Preventative Patrol (COPP) for their hard work in the community. The award was actual from 2015 from the Beavercreek Chambers of Commerce but Perales wanted to present it to the COPP at the same time as the police department.

“Thank you to all our COPP volunteers. We appreciate them all,” Perales said.

Danielle Coots is a freelance writer for Greene County News.



State Representative Rick Perales presented Beavercreek Police Chief Dennis Evers with award of excellence.

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Beavercreek Officer Dave Majercak with K-9 Officer Hans.

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There's a new K9 in town

By Danielle Coots
For the News-Current

BEAVERCREEK
— Beavercreek Police Department's K-9 DJ retired and now there is a new dog with a new handler. Officer Dave Majercak just finished his

K-9 training with his new side-kick, Hans. The new K-9 is trained and ready to go to work with the police department.

The duo completed training Nov. 18, but they are continuing to bond and getting to know each other.

"I look forward to working with Hans. He's my partner. He's not the new family pet, but we're working on developing a close bond," K-9 officer Majercak said.

The prior police dog,

DJ, served the Beavercreek police department for the past nine years and retired at the age of 11. DJ was a Belgian Malinois shepherd dog and was partnered up with Officer Williams. Like DJ, Hans and Majercak were trained by the Police Dog Services in Germantown with Steve Dunning.

"He was a wonderful trainer. I might need some more work, but Hans will be fine," said Officer Majercak.

Hans is a 21-month-old Belgian Malinois and takes commands in German and understands English. He can be seen out during community events like the Police Department's Annual Open House.

"We call them Hans and Frans. So, if you see them out and about, feel free to call them that," Beavercreek Chief Dennis Evers said.

The K-9 program was originally funded by the seizure of drug money. The funds that were appropriated helped fund the training of the dog, the purchase

of the dog and essentials for the dog's care. The K-9 unit has been responsible for tracking burglar suspects, bust drug dealers, seizure of property, vehicles, weapons and narcotics. The program has been instrumental in assisting schools with narcotic searches, assisting mutual aid throughout the Miami Valley and much more. The same and more

is expected with K-9 Hans.

"One of the things that DJ excelled at was public relations. That was a big plus and we're hoping that Hans will continue that," Chief Evers said. "He's been a good dog so far."

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Beavercreek K-9 gets his vest

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BEAVERCREEK — The Beavercreek Police Department has received a donated protective tactical vest and first-aid kit for its newest officer, K9 Hans.

Lorna Furderer, with the Ohio Chapter of Vesting America's Police K9s presented both items to Hans and his handler Officer David Majercak on Dec. 8.

Vesting America's Police K9s is a non-profit organization that provides K9s with protective equipment typically only afforded their human counterparts.

While on duty, law enforcement dogs are asked to risk their lives by going ahead of their human officers, often confronting serious and possibly fatal danger, to protect their human officers and our local communities.

The funds for the



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The Ohio Chapter of Vesting America's Police K9s' Lorna Furderer presented both items to Hans and his handler, Officer David Majercak.

vest were generously donated by Elsie Mommensen and the first aid kit was provided by "We Ride to Provide," an organization which organizes the only national annual K-9 memorial event that

pays tribute to fallen police dogs.

They also assist officers with the purchase of safety equipment.

Story courtesy of the Beavercreek Police Department.

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Text-to-911 service there, just in case

City's police chief calls feature, which is not a replacement for calls, a first for Greene County.

By Will Garbe
Staff Writer

BEAVERCREEK — Beaver Creek is the first community in Greene County to adopt a text-to-911 service, a feature made available through the city's new emergency dispatch system, Chief Dennis Evers said.

Beaver Creek's text-to-911 service is not a replacement for phone calls, Evers said, but rather another way to contact police in case calling police is not an option or could jeopardize safety. If possible, the public should always call 911, he said.

"We're not advocating it replace it. Any time you can call, it's preferred over the text method," Evers said. "There are going to be circumstances that present themselves when texting is the only option."

The system has been tested and is operational, Evers said,

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LOCAL COVERAGE

The Dayton Daily News covers Greene County and brings you local stories you can use, like this one about Beaver Creek adopting a new text-to-911 service.

TIPS FOR TEXTING 911

Beaver Creek police Chief Dennis Evers said citizens should remember these tips when texting 911:

- Text 911 only when you cannot call. Never text as a replacement for calling 911
- Keep messages short to prevent your cellphone carrier from breaking them up
- Describe the situation and state your location
- Spell out words and avoid slang and emojis
- Stay engaged with the dispatcher after sending the first message

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although the department has not yet received a text from a citizen.

The Beaver Creek service is available to Verizon, AT&T, Cricket, Sprint and T-Mobile data plan customers. Customers outside the jurisdiction of Beaver Creek police who text 911 will receive an automatic reply message directing them to call 911.

Evers said the system is not yet accurate enough to guarantee texters will be located, meaning the user must still provide dispatchers an address or location.

The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Regional Dispatch Center is already capable of receiving text messages to 911. In 2015, the office announced the service was available within the 16 jurisdictions served by the county center. The service was promoted as a way for hearing or speech impaired persons, or victims of domestic crimes or crimes in progress, to communicate directly with the dispatch.

Butler County additionally allows text-to-911 services.

Evers said Beaver Creek's text-to-911 expansion was a feature of the new 911 system the city purchased last year. Funding for the system, which cost around \$140,000, came in part through the 911 surcharge applied to cell phone bills, Evers said.

Seniors receive top honors



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Skyler Coleman and Jacen Millette were nominated by School Resource Officer Mark Brown for their outstanding contributions to their school and community.

Coleman, Millette named Students of the Year

News-Current Report

BEAVERCREEK — The Miami Valley Crime Stoppers Association recognized Beavercreek High School seniors Skyler Coleman and

Jacen Millette with Student of the Year awards at its annual recognition luncheon on Dec. 8.

Coleman and Millette were nominated by Beavercreek School Resource Officer Mark Brown for their outstanding contributions to their school and community.

As student aides, both Skyler and Jacen assist SRO Brown with classes and building security and

safety. Both are members of the Peer Listening Awareness Committee and counsel students about self-esteem, depression and suicidal tendencies.

In association with Project Brite Star, the local chapter of the Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Program, they both deliver presentations to Miami Valley schools raising awareness on depression and suicide. In addition to

their school commitments, both Skyler and Jacen actively participate in various extracurricular athletic and community activities. With their dedication to serving as advocates for their peers, they are exemplary role models to the youth and future leaders of the Miami Valley.

Story courtesy of the Beavercreek Police Department.



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