



THE CITY OF STREETSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 Annual Report



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Chief of Police*

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2015 was a year that provided many changes for the police department. It started with the retirement of Chief Roy Mosley which was effective on January 5, 2015. Lt Darin Powers was named Interim Chief of Police and served in that capacity until July 14, 2015 when he was sworn in as Chief of Police by Mayor Glenn Broska. Subsequently, Sgt Patricia Wain was then promoted to Lieutenant on November 9, 2015 to fill the vacancy left by Chief Powers. Maxwell Zugay was sworn in on August 31, 2015 as a new patrol officer to replace a long time vacancy and at the very end of the year, Kyle French was offered a full time officer position and Melissa Falzini was offered a position as a full time dispatcher. Both will start their positions in 2016 which will bring the department to full staffing levels. Ofc Jim Curby returned to duty in October after spending a year on active duty with the US Navy. And sadly, Kathy Smith retired after serving the department as a dispatcher for seventeen (17) due to her ongoing battle with cancer.

Working with our community is still a top priority for our department. In 2015, we continued the tradition of involvement in programs such as: Safety Land, National Night Out, DARE, Neighborhood Watch, Fill-A-Cruiser, National Prescription Drug Take Back, Safe Communities, CIT, Family Days, Trunk or Treat and our biggest event of the year, Shop-with-a-Cop. This year, we took thirty (30) kids shopping and provided eight (8) more children with gifts. This is an incredibly rewarding experience for everyone that participates. We also continued our bike helmet safety program by teaming up with AAA and Dairy Queen to provide ice cream cones to kids that were found wearing their helmets. We continue to use our ALICE instructors to provide instruction and guidance to the schools, daycares and other businesses that would like to participate.

We also value our partnerships with outside organizations and agencies. This year we participated with Portage County Safe Communities and area law enforcement in the following events: Super Bowl drive sober campaign, an All Out Traffic Safety Day, St Patrick's Day Traffic Blitz, None 4 Under 21, Click it or Ticket kickoff and campaign, Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over kickoff and Campaign, the County Fair Booth and a Holiday drive sober campaign. We also worked with OSP to conduct two (2) sobriety checkpoints in one night. We joined the US Marshal's Northern Ohio Violent Fugitives Task Force and assigned an officer to work with them twice a month. And as always, we work closely with the Streetsboro City Schools with our SRO and DARE programs. We had over 150 graduates of the DARE program in 2015.

At the end of 2015, we had 28 full time officers and 6 full time dispatchers. They all do a great job, but at times, some stand out and deserve to be recognized. We recognized Josh Bartholomew, Linda Garner, Mike Cipriano and Jim Wagner at a February 2015 City Council meeting for their efforts in 2014. Josh Bartholomew also received a letter of commendation for rescuing a male who was about to be trapped between two vehicles and he received the county CIT Officer of the Year Award. Ofc Gene Larson and Ofc Art Milner received commendations for their efforts at administering CPR to an individual who had overdosed. Ofc Justin Leidel became the second officer on our department to become certified as a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) and in doing so, he received the highest grade in his class. Ofc Chris Petro received the MADD Award for his efforts at arresting impaired drivers. This was his 13th MADD Award in his 20 years of service at SPD. Ofc Justin Leidel and Ofc Tom Ondecker both received the Annual Fitness Award with the Metro SWAT Team. At the end of the year, we named Ofc Art Milner as the 2015 Officer of the Year and Disp Sara Newpher as the 2015 Dispatcher of the Year. In addition, Ofc Scott Hermon will receive the Chief's Achievement Award for all the work he puts into the department computer network along with his quality performance as a patrol officer.

As always, traffic is a major concern for our city. In 2015, we saw the highest number of traffic crashes the city has had in the past five (5) years. We also saw an increase in injury crashes and fatal crashes. These crashes are, in part, due to the high volume of traffic in the city. Because of these statistics, one of the areas the police department will focus on in the future is how to reduce our number of crashes, especially the injury causing crashes in the city.

Technology in law enforcement is always evolving and we are trying to keep up and give our employees the best tools possible to do their job. In 2015, we switched our internet service over to Time Warner and the city installed new VoIP phone service to all the city departments. We also added eStorage to our records system so that we can add files such as audio, video and pdfs to our reports. We received a Homeland Security grant to add two (2) more tablets to our fleet of vehicles and we began upgrading the lightbars on our vehicles as well. We began using the Lexipol online policy system which greatly enhances our ability to keep our policies up to date in order to reduce liability to the city. We also began upgrading our aging in-car video system by replacing our older outdated server with a large high capacity server that should serve us for many years.

Although we are involved in many community programs and social efforts, our primary purpose is to keep the community safe. We do this through crime prevention and criminal investigation. Our crime prevention efforts focus on community involvement through programs like Neighborhood Watch. Our officers have worked with residents in several neighborhoods in order to decrease crime through preventative efforts and directed patrols. However, once crimes are committed, it takes hard work and determination to solve many of these crimes. Our patrol officers and detectives spend much of their time investigating crimes and arresting the offenders. There were some notable arrests and incidents in 2015. The FBI arrested a Streetsboro man on child pornography charges after a lengthy investigation that involved SPD investigators. Our day shift officers assisted the drug task force in arresting two (2) males at a hotel. The males were suspects in an armed robbery in Ravenna and were armed at the time of the arrest. Our officers also worked with the task force on a city wide blitz to arrest drug offenders with warrants. A three (3) month investigation into the Defer Intermediate principal ended with his arrest by Twinsburg PD on Attempted Importuning charges. This was a joint effort between SPD, Twinsburg PD and Ohio BCI investigators. And in October, SPD officers tried to stop an individual suspected of shoplifting who fled in his vehicle. The supervisor wisely called off the pursuit but a short time later, the suspect crashed causing injuries to himself and others. These are just a few examples of the excellent work our officers and dispatchers do to keep our city safe.

One of the largest issues facing our country right now is the growing heroin epidemic. We have seen a dramatic increase in heroin overdoses and some heroin deaths in our city. In order to save lives, we have teamed up with the Portage County Department of Health to join Project DAWN. As part of this program, all of our officers were provided with two doses of Narcan or Naloxone which counteracts the effects of Heroin and other narcotics. Since our officers are often first on scene of an OD, they now have the tools to possibly prevent an OD death. Within the first two (2) weeks, SPD officers used the Naloxone twice on OD victims possibly saving their lives.

2016 will bring new challenges and new adventures for our department and our community. We are ready to face these challenges with courage, integrity and professionalism. We are proud to serve the City of Streetsboro.

Thank You,
Darin W. Powers
Chief of Police

MISSION AND VALUES

OUR MISSION

The members of the Streetsboro Police Department are committed to protecting life and property, ensuring safety, and engaging with our community to promote positive community relations and to solve problems.

OUR VALUES

ACCOUNTABILITY: We are responsible and dependable people who are accountable for everything we do, to each other as well as to the citizens of Streetsboro.

CITIZENSHIP: We pledge ourselves to preserving the public trust, obeying the law, and enforcing the law while respecting and protecting the rights of all citizens.

COMMUNICATION: We are committed to open and honest communication among ourselves and with the community. We respect and speak positively of our fellow employees.

COOPERATION: We recognize the importance of cooperation and teamwork within our department as well as with other departments and our community; cooperation will enable us to achieve common goals.

COURTESY: We are courteous and respectful in official dealings with the public, fellow employees, superiors and subordinates.

INTEGRITY: Our success depends on the trust and confidence of the citizens that we serve; we are honest and exhibit behavior that is beyond reproach and reflects the integrity of police professionals.

PROFESSIONALISM: We recognize that our community is entitled to professional, effective and efficient law enforcement services; we strive for excellence in our agency to make it more effective and responsive to the needs of the community.

PERSONNEL

This list of employees was current on December 31, 2015.

Chief of Police

Darin Powers

Administrative Assistant

Sharon Gumm

Lieutenants

Troy Beaver
Patricia Wain

Investigations

Brian Shaffer
James Wagner
Jason Hall

Sergeants

Andrew Suvada
Richard Polivka
Jon Hurley

Communications

Linda Leanza
Linda Garner
Josee Acklin
Alexander Melomed
Sara Newpher
Haley Otto

Patrol

Joseph Smolic
Christopher Petro
Aaron Coates (K9 Bo)
Jason Sackett
Justin Leidel
James Curby
Scott Hermon
Michael Cipriano
Ryan Wolf
Stanley Siedlecki
Joshua Bartholomew
Matthew Plesz
Thomas Ondecker
Daniel Mulcahy
John Milner
Michael Graham
Gene Larson
Maxwell Zugay

DARE/SRO

Jason Fogleman

PATROL DIVISION

Patrol is the largest Division of the Streetsboro Police Department and is the backbone of our agency. Its primary responsibilities are responding to calls for service from the community, keeping our roadways safe and locating and arresting violators of the law. In 2015, officers responded to a wide variety of calls ranging from vehicle lockouts to armed robberies.

As the first responder to criminal complaints, patrol officers are responsible for seeing to the medical needs of anyone involved, interviewing witnesses, recognizing and preserving evidence, determining whether, in fact, a crime has been committed, and identifying and ultimately arresting those responsible.

Officers of the Patrol Division are also expected to provide proactive services such as traffic enforcement, conducting business and property checks, and initiating contacts within our community to further enhance the department's interaction and partnership with the community.

Officers assigned to the Patrol Division choose one of three shifts every six months by seniority. Those shifts are days, afternoons and midnights. Each shift is supervised by a Patrol Sergeant. With these three shifts, the police department provides our residents with round the clock coverage all year.

Field Training Officers (FTO's) / Communication Training Officers (CTO):

All police officers hired by the Streetsboro Police Department must have attended and successfully completed a State of Ohio certified peace officer training academy. Officers hired by our department must have a current peace officer certificate in hand at the time of hire in order to be eligible for employment.

The FTO program is an additional eight (8) weeks of intensive training and evaluation where the probationary officer is paired up with an experienced officer. The FTO officer has been carefully selected and trained/certified as a Field Training Officer (FTO) through certification training provided by the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy. The goal of the FTO program is to prepare and develop probationary officers to act efficiently, effectively and safely in a solo patrol capacity.

We also provide an eight (8) week training program for all new dispatchers. As with the officers, we have selected experienced dispatchers to get certified as Communication Training Officers (CTOs). The program is designed to develop the dispatcher to act efficiently and effectively as an emergency police and fire dispatcher.

The following SPD Officers and dispatchers were certified as FTO's CTO's for 2015:

Lt. Troy Beaver (FTO Coordinator)

Lt. Tricia Wain

Sgt. Andrew Suvada

Ofc. Joseph Smolic

Sgt. Richard Polivka

Ofc. Ryan Wolf

Ofc. Jason Sackett

Ofc. Michael Cipriano

Sgt. Jon Hurley

Ofc. Scott Hermon

Ofc. Stanley Siedlecki

Disp Linda Leanza

Disp Linda Garner

Disp Josee Acklin

Disp Alex Melomed

Disp Sara Newpher

SPECIAL UNITS

School Resource Officer (SRO)

The School Resource Officer (SRO) Program is a collaborative effort with the Streetsboro School District. The Streetsboro Police Department presently has one (1) officer assigned as a School Resource Officer. The SRO is primarily assigned to Streetsboro High School, but will assist elsewhere in the district as needed.

Operationally, the SRO reports to the day shift Patrol Sergeant. He is currently assigned in our schools on a full-time basis during the school year.

The School Resource Officer Program has two main components. The first is designed to enhance the relationship between the school district, its students, teachers/administrators and the Streetsboro Police Department. The daily communication between police and school officials prevents many problems and mitigates existing problems for both the school and the police. The second component is to provide training and instruction in the school as needed, and informal counseling to students, staff and parents.

School security/action plans have been completed for the schools in Streetsboro, and the SRO participates in that process in conjunction with the Streetsboro school staff/administration. All plans are required to be reviewed annually.

DARE Program

The Streetsboro Police Department has conducted the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance and Education) Program in the Streetsboro Schools since 1992. Officer Mark Pennington (Ret.) was the original DARE Officer for the Streetsboro Police Department. In 2001, Officer James Wagner took over as the DARE Officer, and served in that capacity until 2011. Ptl. Jason Fogleman is the current DARE Officer. This a dual role, as the DARE Officer also serves as our School Resource Officer when not involved in DARE curriculum instruction.

To date, over 3,000 Streetsboro students have gone through the Streetsboro DARE Program, which is presently taught to 5th grade students at Defer Elementary School.

This program is approximately twelve (12) weeks long. A trained officer visits assigned classes each week and teaches a prescribed course curriculum regarding drugs, alcohol and peer pressure.

In 2015 approximately 160 5th grade students at Defer Elementary School graduated through our DARE Program.



K9 Team

Officer Aaron Coates is presently the K-9 Handler for the Streetsboro Police Department. Officer Coates was selected for this assignment in 2009 and works with his partner “Bo,” a Belgian Malinois. As part of the assignment as a K-9 Handler, weekly training is required to keep both the officer and the animal proficient in several areas.

Ptl. Coates & Bo train weekly with a cooperative regional K-9 training group consisting of several northeast Ohio police agencies known as B.A.R.K (Buckeye Area Regional K-9).

2015 K9 Team Activities and Events

- Girl Scout tour of the Streetsboro Police station
- Assist Aurora PD with drug sweep at High School
- Click it or Ticket event at Aurora Farms
- Streetsboro Dog Park Opening Ceremony
- Safety Town at City Hall
- Big D’s Tack Animal Palooza
- Family Days K9 Demo and walk throughs
- National Night Out at Target
- Demonstration for Noahs Ark Child Care
- Demonstration for Aurora Boy Scouts
- Demonstration for Aurora and Hudson Boy Scouts
- Drug Sweep at North Royalton High School
- Community Food Drive at Giant Eagle
- Baptist Church Craft Fair
- Shop with a Cop Event
- Multiple Drug Sweeps in Streetsboro Schools



2015 K9 Activity Summary

Category	Number
Apprehensions	0
Off duty call outs to assist outside agency	1
On duty call out to assist outside agency	14
Off duty call out for SPD	5
On duty K9 assists for shift personnel	87
Charges filed as a result of K9 usage	33
K9 Community Relations Events	15
K9 Team training hours	342



Portage County Drug Task Force

Under the direction of the Portage County Sheriff, this multi-jurisdictional agency investigates and apprehends offenders involved in the trafficking, distribution, and possession of illegal drugs within the communities of participating agencies. Partnership includes the Portage County Sheriff's Office, Portage County Prosecutors Office, Drug Enforcement Administration, Homeland Security, Kent Police Department, Aurora Police Department, Ravenna Police Department, Windham Police Department, Hiram Police Department, and the Streetsboro Police Department. Each agency assigns personnel to this county Task Force.

In 2015, the task force investigated cases in Portage County involving drugs ranging from marijuana to heroin to prescription drugs. They worked with drug units from other counties and federal agencies such as the FBI, DEA and ATF. As a result of the investigations they have worked, the task force continues to receive asset forfeiture funding. Thanks to the asset forfeitures and the grants received by the task force, they stopped taking agency buy in money in 2015. SPD currently has one investigator assigned to the task force full time.

Metro SWAT

This highly trained, professional, multi-jurisdictional, special weapons team responds to incidents within the jurisdictions of participating communities that require specialized weapons and tactics to deal with riotous activity, large crowd control, barricaded suspects, execution of high risk warrants, arrest of dangerous felons, the rescue of hostages or endangered persons, and other functions as appropriate. This regional organization is comprised of twenty (20) Summit and Portage County law enforcement agencies. The Metro SWAT governing Board of Directors is made up of police chiefs from participating agencies. In 2014, Metro SWAT was activated twenty (20) times total and once in Streetsboro. That activation was for a possible burglar inside a home; however, it turned out that no one was there once SWAT was on scene.

There are presently three (3) Streetsboro Officers assigned to this regional team in the capacity of tactical operators and/or hostage negotiators- Lt. Patricia Wain, Officer Justin Leidel and Officer Tom Ondecker.

Detective Bureau

The Streetsboro Police Department currently has two investigators assigned to the detective bureau, Brian Shaffer and James Wagner. They are responsible for investigating any crimes or incidents that are beyond the scope of normal patrol investigations. Some examples of incidents that the detective bureau investigates are: suspicious deaths, sexual assaults, robberies, burglaries, fraud, financial crimes, child abuse, cyber-crime, and miscellaneous thefts just to name a few. In addition to investigating cases, the detectives are also responsible for all background investigations on prospective employees. 2015 was an important year for backgrounds since we were attempting to hire one (1) dispatcher and two (2) officers. Multiple backgrounds were completed which resulted in hires in all three (3) positions.

Our detectives work closely with other investigative agencies including the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI), FBI, ATF, Homeland Security and others. In 2015, the detectives worked with Homeland Security on a child pornography case and worked with other outside agencies on several other cases.

NORTHERN OHIO VIOLENT FUGITIVE TASK FORCE



In 2015, the Streetsboro Police Department joined the Northern Ohio Violent Fugitive Task Force (NOVFTF). This is a task force led by the US Marshalls dedicated to the pursuit, apprehension, and successful prosecution of violent adult fugitives across the Northern District of Ohio with outstanding state and federal felony warrants. Ofc Jason Sackett is assigned to this task force on a part time basis.

COMMUNICATIONS/RECORDS

The Streetsboro Police Department Communications Center is staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week, by Communications Operators, better known as dispatchers. They are the initial point of contact for a majority of the public requiring police and fire services. They are an extremely vital component in delivering effective services to our community and their dedication and importance cannot be overlooked. Often times they are required to maintain a reassuring and calming demeanor in the face of extraordinary circumstances in order to assist the caller and the police officer or firefighter responding to an emergency. Examples of the types of training our Communications members receive includes: Emergency Medical Dispatch, Advanced Law Enforcement Dispatch, Advanced Fire Service Dispatch, Domestic Violence Dispatch, Suicide Prevention, and Active Shooter Response for Dispatch.

Some of the examples of work performed include:

- Receive and respond to telephone requests for emergency services
- In response to medical emergencies, provide First Aid or CPR instructions to stabilize the medical condition of persons until the arrival of medical assistance.
- Relay all vital information to responding police officers & fire personnel
- Utilize radio, telephone, and computer aided dispatch (CAD) equipment to direct specific law enforcement, fire department or medical units to the scene of an emergency.
- Refer non-emergency situations to the appropriate public or private agencies
- Make data entries into the police department's computer systems as well as various systems databases such as the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) and the state of Ohio LEADS (Law Enforcement Automated Data System).

Since we do not employ any personnel that would be primarily responsible for records functions, our Communications personnel are trained to maintain our records as well. This entails pulling reports for release to the public, filing documents and reports, processing paperwork, and compiling statistics.

The Streetsboro Police Department employs seven (7) full time Communication Operators: 2 assigned to Day shift, 2 assigned to Afternoon shift, 1 assigned to Midnight shift, and 2 assigned to a swing shift that may work a combination of shifts. However, in 2015, we were down a dispatcher for the majority of the year and operated with six (6) dispatchers. At the end of 2015, we hired an additional dispatcher that will start in 2016.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

The following SPD personnel received awards or recognition for service provided to our police department and our community in 2014:

2015 Officer of the Year

Ofc John (Art) Milner

Honorable Discharge

Roy Mosley

Kathy Smith

Letter of Commendation

Ofc Joshua Bartholomew

Ofc Art Milner

Ofc Gene Larson

CIT Officer of the Year

Ofc Joshua Bartholomew

5 Years Service

Ofc Joshua Bartholomew

Ofc Stanley Siedlecki

10 Years Service

None

15 Years Service

Ofc Jason Fogleman

Ofc Aaron Coates

25 Years Service

Det. Brian Shaffer

2015 Dispatcher of the Year

Disp Sara Newpher

OVI Enforcement Award

Ofc Christopher Petro

Chief's Achievement

Ofc Scott Hermon

Perfect Attendance (Full Year)

Chief Darin Powers

Sgt Andrew Suvada

Sgt Jon Hurley

Det Brian Shaffer

Ofc Christopher Petro

Ofc Aaron Coates

Ofc Justin Leidel

Ofc Scott Hermon

Ofc Michael Cipriano

Det Jason Hall

Disp Linda Leanza

20 Years Service

Lt Patricia Wain

Sgt Richard Polivka

Ofc Christopher Petro

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEWS

The Streetsboro Police Department is committed to providing law enforcement services that are fair, effective, and impartially applied. Toward that end, members are held to high standards of official conduct and are expected to respect the rights of all citizens. Officer adherence to these standards, motivated by a moral and professional obligation to perform their job to the best of their ability, is the objective of this agency. The effectiveness of a law enforcement agency is dependent upon approval and acceptance of police authority.

Citizen Complaints Against Personnel

The department must be responsive to the community by providing transparent formal procedures for the processing of complaints from the public regarding individual member performance. Citizen confidence in the integrity of the police department increases through the establishment of transparent complaint procedures. The confidence engenders community support for the police department and improves the relationship between police and the citizens they serve by facilitating cooperation vital to the department's ability to achieve its goals.

In 2015, the department received only one (1) citizen complaint filed against department personnel. After a thorough investigation of that complaint, it was found to be "Sustained." Corrective action was taken with the personnel involved.

Use of Force

Uses of Force by department personnel are taken very seriously by this department. Improper use of force can result in injury or death to civilians and officers and can lead to civil liability. It is considered a use of force when an officer uses physical techniques, chemical agents or weapons against another person. The United States Supreme Court has ruled that any use of force must be "objectionably reasonable" which means we have to ask the question, "Would any police officer in a similar situation feel that the force used was reasonable?" With all this in mind, our department reviews each and every use of force situation to determine if the officers were compliant with SPD policy and to determine if there are any training needs based on the situation.

In 2015, SPD officers were involved five (5) incidents which involved a Use of Force. Of those five (5) incidents, all five (5) were found to fall within SPD policy.

Pursuits

Vehicle pursuits expose innocent citizens, law enforcement officers and fleeing violators to the risk of serious injury or death. Vehicle pursuits require officers to exhibit a high degree of common sense and sound judgment. Officers must not forget that the immediate apprehension of a suspect is generally not more important than the safety of the public and pursuing officers. Due to the high risk involved, all pursuits are reviewed for compliance to policy and training needs.

In 2015, our officers were involved in four (4) pursuits and the reviews found that the officers were in compliance with policy in all four (4) situations.

TRAINING

Training is an integral part of establishing high professional standards within all organizations, and the community expects its police department to provide quality training in carrying out its service. The Streetsboro Police Department strives to provide quality training within financial constraints for all components of the organization. This is accomplished through internal (in-service) and external training resources to provide advanced training and career development opportunities, as well as specialized training.

In-Service Training

In-service training is provided to members of the department throughout the year. Much of this consists of informal training at the shift/roll call level. Areas of review include: Review of department policies, procedure, changes in state law, court rulings, community policing, officer survival & tactics, and other job-related subjects. In-service included:

- INTACTT Firearms Simulator and Live Fire Trailer
- Naloxone Training for Project DAWN
- ASP Baton Training
- Firearms Qualifications
- TASER Recertification

External Training

Outside training needs are met by sending personnel to specialized training workshops sponsored through the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy (OPOTA), the Ohio State Patrol, the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police, Powerphone, Public Agency Training Council (PATC), and other training providers. Training needs are reviewed and determined for all components of the organization. As technology, law enforcement best practices, tactics and case law continually evolve, providing training to staff is critical. The following summary represents training SPD members received in 2014:

ACTIVE SHOOTER RESPONSE ADMINISTERING NAXALONE ADVANCED BREACHING AMBER ALERT/CART ARIDE ASP TACTICAL BATTON INSTRUCTOR ASP BATTON USER BASIC CRIME SCENE BELOW 100 CIT ADVANCED DISPATCH CONTROLLED FORCE INSTRUCTOR CRIMES IN PROGRESS CRIMINAL PATROL CRISIS REALITY TRAINING CRISIS NEGOTIATORS CONFERENCE CYBER INVESTIGATION DARE/SRO CONFERENCE DEATH SCENE INVESTIGATION	DE-ESCELATE MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS DEALING WITH DIFFICULT PEOPLE DV LETHALITY FACTORS DV LEGAL UPDATES DRUG RECOGNITION EXPERT EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH EMERG VEHICLE OPERATIONS ENERGY AND CRUSH FOR CRASH IACP CONFERENCE INTERDICTION CONFERENCE NIMS ICS300 K9 FIRST AID LEADERSHIP IN CRISIS NALOXONE ADMINISTRATION OACP CRIME PREVENTION OHIO ALERTS TRAINING PATROL RIFLE	PEPPERBALL INSTRUCTOR PHYSICAL FITNESS CULTURAL DIVERSITY REID INTERVIEW AND INTERROGATION SAFEGUARDING PRIVACY SIG ARMORER SOVEREIGN CITIZENS SRO BUS SAFETY TASER/TASER INSTRUCTOR TASK FORCE COMMANDER WOMEN IN LE LEADERSHIP
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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Streetsboro Police Department recognizes that engagement, communication, and partnership with our community are vital to the law enforcement mission. Following is a summary of the community policing and engagement events members of the Streetsboro Police Department participated in during 2015:

- SPA donated to Chrissy Motz for the 2015 Law Enforcement Polar Plunge
- **DARE** Graduation
- Girl Scout tour of SPD
- Officers and dispatchers pooled funds together to replace a garage door for a senior resident
- St Patrick's Day enforcement blitz with other agencies
- Officers read to students at Campus Elementary during the Community Reading event
- Assist Streetsboro Schools with ALICE drills
- Three (3) **Fill-a-Cruiser** events where food and cash were donated to food pantries (Summer, Thanksgiving, Christmas)
- Two (2) **National Prescription Drug Take Back** Days sponsored by the DEA
- **Pinwheels for Prevention** to raise awareness for child abuse
- All Out Traffic Safety Day with other county law enforcement agencies
- Safe Communities "**None for Under 21**" event at Hiram College
- National "**Click it or Ticket**" campaign and kickoff event at Aurora Farms
- Traffic control for several 5K events
- SPA Scholarship awarded to a high school senior
- Officers assisted with the annual Memorial Day Parade
- Ofc Fogleman taught at **Safety Land** for a week. The SPA provided all participants with bike helmets
- Bicycle Helmet citation program with AAA and Dairy Queen
- Safe Communities 4th of July "**Crackdown on Drunk Driving**" event
- K9 Team attends opening for the Streetsboro Dog Park
- SPD hosted "**CIT for Educators**" training
- Officers assisted Twinsburg PD in escorting the American Veterans Traveling Tribute through Streetsboro to Twinsburg
- Chief Powers served as MC for the **Family Days** opening ceremony
- SPD officers had a strong presence for all four days of **Family Days** including the SPA booth
- Attendance at Target's "**National Night Out**" including fingerprinting and the K9 Team
- Chief Powers and Ofc Fogleman participated in the groundbreaking ceremony for the new high school
- Participation in the national "**Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over**" including their kick-off event
- Lt Beaver and Ofc Fogleman worked the Safe Communities booth at the county fair
- Tailgate event for the SHS football home opener
- Ice Cream social event at City Park
- Picnic provided to police and fire by Venture Church
- **Trunk or Treat** at Walmart hosted by Parks and Recs
- Officers handing out candy during the city **Trick or Treat**
- Escort Santa for the Holiday Lighting event at town square
- Attended appreciation luncheon provided by the Full Gospel House of Prayer
- **Shop With a Cop** event at Walmart where 38 children received gifts thanks to donations from local businesses and individuals.

SOCIAL MEDIA AND WEB PRESENCE

The Streetsboro Police Department is always looking for ways to communicate with our residents and to keep the community informed. Social media and other forms of electronic communications have become increasingly popular over the past few years and our department has attempted to leverage these means of communications to get information out to the public. As we have seen time and time again, our community is an amazing resource when it comes to our crime solving efforts. It is also important that the public be made aware when roads are closed or there are other incidents of public concern. Here are some of the ways in which we attempt to get that information out to our residents:

Website

We have maintained a department website for several years. We use our website to post information about any department programs and any forms the public may need. We also post information about our personnel and any training classes we are hosting. The information on this site is not meant to be up to the minute updates but more static information that can be used over a period of time. Please visit our website at:

www.streetsboropd.org

Facebook

Facebook is our primary means of disseminating information to the public quickly when we need to get information out that may concern the public or when we are asking our community for assistance. Each year, we post photos and other information regarding unsolved cases and in many of these instances our investigators and officers have been able to solve cases thanks to the tips of our followers. In 2015, our Facebook page surpassed 7,000 followers which is one of the largest followings for a police agency in northeast Ohio. Visit us on Facebook at:



www.facebook.com/streetsboropd



Twitter

Twitter is another method of quickly disseminating information quickly; however, with Twitter, the information is sent out in short messages. Twitter is has been used by some departments to inform the public of information during critical incidents such as the Boston Marathon bombing. We currently have over 3,500 followers on Twitter. Check us out at:

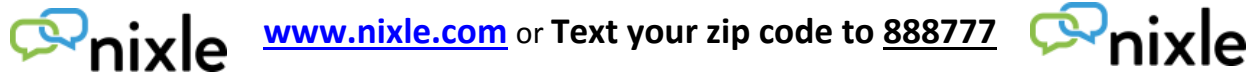


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Nixle

Nixle is a text alert system that we currently use to send out text and/or email alerts to anyone registered with Nixle for immediate public concerns such as: road closures, traffic crashes, dangerous subjects, missing persons and more. Our Nixle alerts also automatically get posted on our Facebook page. We currently have nearly 1,600 contacts receiving our Nixle alerts. In order to receive our alerts go to:



RAIDS Online

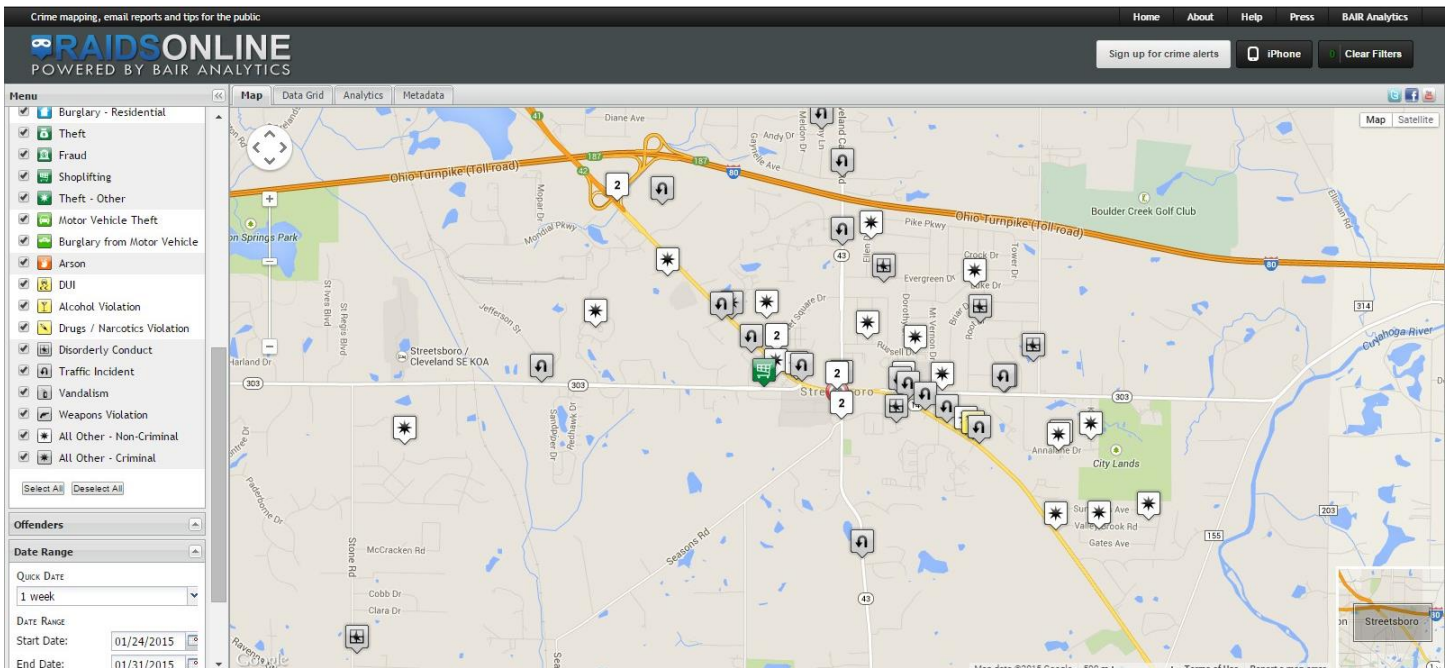
RAIDS Online is used to map our call information. Each day, we upload all our call location data to RAIDS and the data is then mapped based on the address information in the call data. Anyone can then visit the RAIDS website and view our call data on a map of our city. This is helpful for anyone that wants to see crime data for a specific neighborhood or crash data for our roadways. Users can also sign up for alerts anytime we respond to a call in an area. Visit the RAIDS Online site for Streetsboro at:



<http://www.raidsonline.com/?address=streetsboro,OH>



Here is an example of a RAIDS Online map for a one week period:



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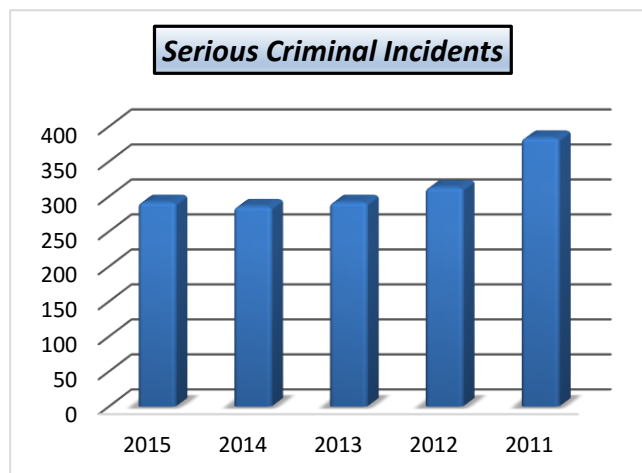
Much of what we do in law enforcement is not quantifiable in numbers and statistics, specifically in the aspects of the job that involve community relations. Quality of work is vitally important in our line of work and many officers have those intangibles that cannot be measured by numbers alone. Our supervisors do perform monthly reviews with each officer that cover those topics.

However, with that said, numbers and statistics are still the primary means of measuring crime rates and traffic crash data over a period of time. This section will attempt to show some of the numbers of what we have accomplished in 2015 and how that compares to previous years. Some of these numbers can vary greatly based on how procedures within the department change from year to year and how those statistics are generated from year to year.

Incidents and Calls for Service

This section is broken down into four categories: **Serious Criminal Incidents**, **General Criminal Incidents**, **Total Incidents** and **Calls for Service**. Incident reports are taken when crimes are committed or when officers have extended contact with citizens. Calls for Service are the number of actual calls officers responded to or initiated regardless of whether an incident report was filed.

Serious Criminal Incidents	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Criminal Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	1	2	2	1	0
Robbery	4	4	4	2	8
Felonious Assault	0	1	0	1	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	1	0	0	1
Burglary	25	4	7	1	40
General Theft	180	193	212	221	270
Shoplifting	74	76	62	76	64
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	5	5	11	1
Total Serious Incidents	292	286	292	313	384

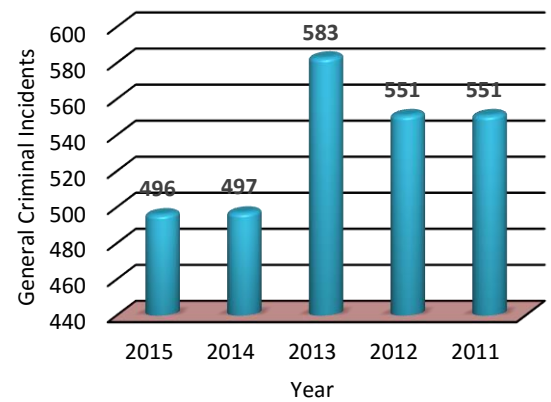


General Criminal Incidents	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Sex Offense	6	6	6	5	5
Simple Assault	29	20	24	27	27
Domestic Violence	60	54	68	66	66
Forgery	7	3	3	2	2
Counterfeiting	12	6	12	16	16
Fraud	28	34	30	34	34
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0
Receiving Stolen Property	0	11	8	4	4
Breaking and Entering	11	5	4	5	5
Vandalism	2	1	4	9	9
Criminal Damaging	57	77	70	77	77
Criminal Mischief	16	14	22	33	33
Trespassing	16	13	16	16	16
Drug Related	134	143	170	129	129
Telecom Harrasment	58	53	69	67	67
Identity Theft	24	11	9	16	16
Menacing	4	14	19	14	14
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law	8	16	23	14	14
CCW	4	3	2	1	1
Disorderly Conduct	20	13	24	16	16
Total General Criminal Incidents	496	497	583	551	551

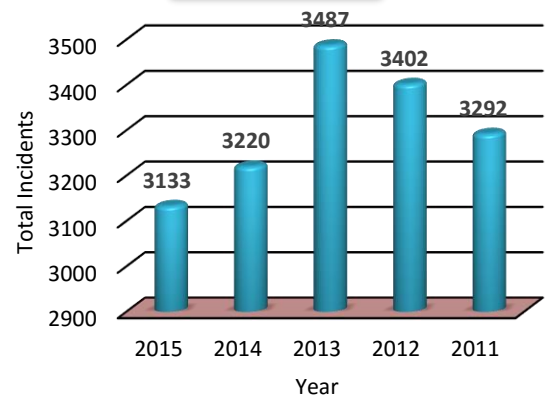
Total Incident Reports	3133	3220	3487	3402	3292
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Calls For Service	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Domestic Dispute	112	126	114	102	121
Psychiatric Situation	74	65	20	33	21
Suicide	1	0	8	3	0
Attempted Suicide	19	13	23	9	10
Welfare Check	194	207	213	222	183
Animal Related	222	192	166	166	171
Vehicle Lockouts	545	616	572	537	557
Found Property	81	92	84	78	86
Juvenile Related	213	213	222	295	263
Alarm Drops	762	882	810	847	735
Disturbance	232	209	289	318	272
Noise	92	116	169	162	144
Suspicious Behavior	703	790	901	1065	991
Community Policing	1557	1566	1039	831	471
Fire Related	369	470	397	390	369
EMS	1435	1416	1404	1458	1336
Traffic Related	828	997	1011	974	1127
Disabled Vehicles	571	594	598	622	657
Mutual Aid	326	332	195	156	165
Other Service Calls	12158	14428	16059	16630	19246
Total Calls for Service	20288	23120	24129	24751	26773

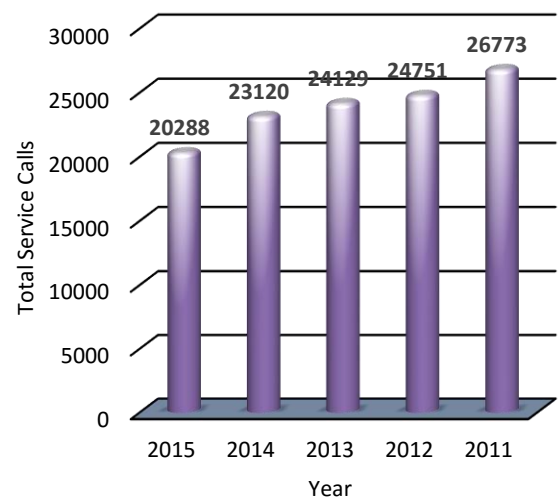
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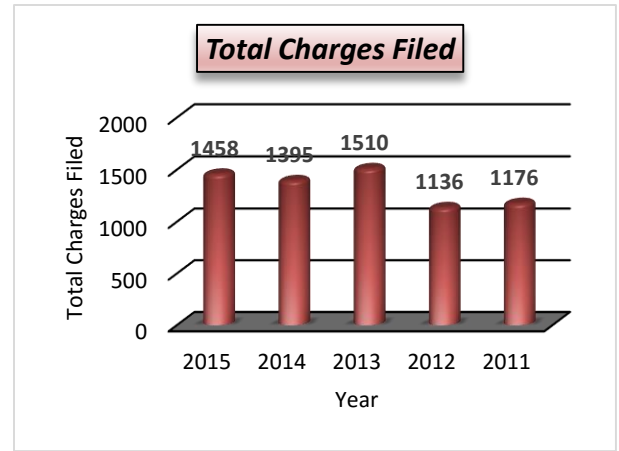
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Arrests and Charges

Arrests include all physical arrests, summons and warrants. Often, one person is charged with multiple charges which is why we differentiate between **Arrests** and **Charges Filed**.

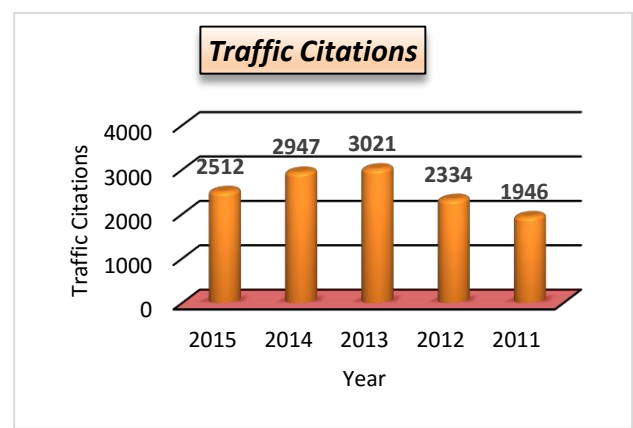
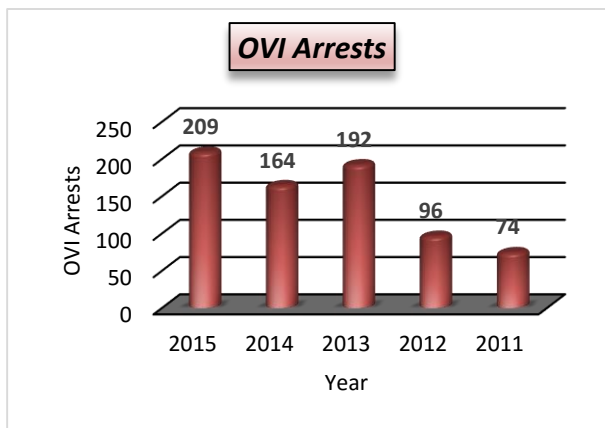
Arrests/Charges	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Total Arrests	893	925	981	781	823
Total Charges Filed	1458	1395	1510	1136	1176



Traffic Enforcement and Traffic Crashes

Streetsboro has the highest traffic rates in Portage County and one of the highest in Summit and Portage Counties. This makes traffic enforcement a vital function of the police department. Traffic crashes rates are also high in Streetsboro due to the volume of traffic. Traffic enforcement helps keep the crash rates lower.

Traffic Enforcement	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Self-Initiated Traffic	6549	7821	8979	6837	6636
Total Traffic Cites	2512	2947	3021	2334	1946
OVI Arrests	209	164	192	96	74
Parking Cites	77	56	41	148	218



Traffic Crashes	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Hit Skip Crashes	27	23	24	47	36
Property Damage Only	400	378	374	398	397
Injury Crashes	149	146	137	137	126
Fatal Crashes	1	0	0	2	2
Deer Crashes	26	11	26	33	50
Private Property Crash	156	138	145	144	156
Total Reportable Crashes (P+I+F)	550	524	511	537	525

