



STREETSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT



2022 ANNUAL REPORT by Chief Patricia Wain

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As we look back on 2022, we saw changes in staffing, equipment and community involvement. But most importantly, we saw acts of service from members of the Streetsboro Police Department that remind us of why we do what we do and should make the residents of our community proud. Finally, we saw a tragedy become a legacy of change.

Our staffing changes started with the retirement of Detective Jason Sackett. Jason joined the Department in 1999 as a part-time patrol officer before transitioning to full-time patrol in February of 2000. He served as a member of the Summit Metro Crash Team before finishing his career working full-time in the Detective Bureau. Officer James Curby left the department in December of 2022. He started at the Department in December of 2001 and retired as a full-time patrol officer in December of 2022. Officer Mohammad Arida also left the department in September 2022 to pursue a different career.



Filling our vacancies started with hiring an experienced officer in Joseph Takash. Officer Takash was sworn in on January 10, 2022 by Mayor Glenn Broska. He came to us as from Hubbard PD where he had served for over three years. The second position was filled by another experienced officer in Daniel Shetler. Officer Shetler started on January 21, 2022 and came to us from Canal Fulton PD where he had served for over four years. Officer Ryan Miller was sworn in as yet another experienced addition to our patrol division on March 14, 2022. Officer Miller joined us from Canal Fulton PD where he had served for almost 4



years. For patrol, we ended the year with the swearing in of Officer Matthew Martinez. Officer Martinez joined the Department between Poland Village and Milinda Long both started on Dispatcher Rein and Dispatcher welcome additions to fill our of 8 dispatchers while we Jodi Meyer's planned last day in January of 2023.



after serving over 4 years combined Poland Township Police Departments. Angela Rein and December 19, 2022 to fill the open spots in Dispatch. Both Long are new to the telecommunications field and were dispatching vacancies. Staffing note: we had a brief period started training Dispatchers Rein and Long due to Dispatcher

With the departure of Detective Sackett, Officer Fogleman became a full-time Detective and Officer Kyle French took over the role as School Resource Officer. Officer French is making his mark in the position. He was able to obtain a donation of 15 sensory communication kits from the Hussman Autism Institute and created the Facebook page SRO Kyle to showcase the SRO program. A part-time SRO position was added to the budget and the search is on for the perfect candidate to fill the spot.



We are on our twenty-third year of being in the current station and repairs and necessary upgrades have become the norm. The old windows had deteriorated to the point that some were held together with electrical tape and the surrounding structures had warped enough to cause some of the outer brick to crumble and the interior to separate from the walls. Council approved the window project in 2021 but due to supply chain delays, the project was not completed until April of 2022.

We continue to provide our officers and dispatchers with the best possible equipment in order to do their jobs as efficiently and safely as possible. We follow a schedule to replace aging body cameras and in-car Mobile Data Terminals (MDT.) The largest update we planned in 2022 was the purchase of a new dispatch radio console. The current system was purchased in 2014 and, as with most technology that old, it was becoming obsolete. The MC7500 system was outdated and parts were no longer being made. Any future repairs, if they could be made, would have to be made using 'scavenged' parts from other decommissioned systems. The



replacement was originally projected to cost nearly \$200,000. System changes along with additional reconfiguring and different product availability allowed us to end with a projected cost of approximately \$162,000. Due to on-going supply chain issues, the equipment isn't scheduled for install until the end of January 2023. The new Motorola Scout E8 will provide our dispatchers, officers, fire department and community with the much-needed security of knowing the radio system will be secure and operational. We continue to use GeTac for our body and dash cams along with recording our interview rooms. We made our second payment of five to Equature and Insight as our system for recording our phone lines and radio channels. Equature came with a multitude of additional features not available with our previous system including word or name search features. Insight is an incredible feature that makes live 911 audio and video feed available to the dispatchers and responding officers. 911 callers can be given the option of accepting a link to open their cameras to dispatch, while not a common necessity, in a critical incident it can provide life-saving information.

In 2017, we created a UAV (Unmanned Aerial Vehicle) program which is coordinated by Officer Scott Hermon. We have four pilots and they have used the UAV for documenting crash scenes and for looking for individuals. Near the end of 2019, we added a new UAV called a Mavic Mini. It is a very small UAV that is much easier to deploy and is easier to use indoors should we need to clear or search a building, rather than putting officers or K9s in jeopardy. As the technology continues to get better, we plan to move this program forward. The UAV's have continued to be useful in area searches for missing children and adults as well as mapping crash scenes.



In law enforcement, it is vital that we work well with our public safety partners. Here are some examples of how we were able to do that in 2022. As a member of the Portage County Safe Communities Coalition, each year we team up with public safety agencies from around the county to keep our road safe. As part of the coalition, we usually



participate in: "None for Under 21" but due to the Covid 19 pandemic it was cancelled for 2021 and 2022. We did participate in the "Click in or Ticket" event and the following weeks long campaign; the "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" kickoff event and campaign. Thanks to Sergeant Siedlecki, we continue to work closely with ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children) to bring child predators to justice. Sergeant Siedlecki's ongoing participation with ICAC has resulted in numerous



arrests of offenders attempting to have illicit contact with underaged victims. We have also maintained our participation in the Metro SWAT Team and the Summit Metro Crash Response Team. The continued partnership with the Metro Swat team allowed us to obtain extra man-power for the City's Bicentennial celebration and peacefully resolve a barricade situation at the end of 2022. Partnering with the Summit Metro Crash Response Team supplies the expertise and equipment needed for serious or fatal crashes. The team responded to two significant crashes in Streetsboro in 2022. With the dissolution of the Portage County Drug Task Force, we began the process to join the regional DEA Task Force. The process was long but we are happy to announce our officer was approved for a detective position to serve alongside representatives from other Portage County cities.



During much of the year, while our police department continued its day to day activities and patrol, contacts with the community, both residents and those passing through, was somewhat limited to prevent the spread of the Covid-19 virus. It was, and continued to be, the highest priority to keep officers healthy to maintain service and protection to the Streetsboro Community.

As always, we try to stay very involved with our involvement with long standing programs such as



Take Back, Family Days, and precautions due to the Covid-annual events. We were Due to the participation and able to take over 30 children spree. Officers and members, City Officials including Mayor Broska, and Council Members Jennifer Wagner and Anthony Lombardo, members of the Streetsboro Fire



community. We wanted to continue our Neighborhood Watch, National Prescription Drug of course, Shop-with-a-Cop, but safety 19 Pandemic altered or eliminated many of the excited to get back to Shop-with-a-Cop for 2022. help of many volunteers and donors, we were on a Christmas shopping department family



Department along with the help of Streetsboro Service Department and the Parks and Rec department, Aurora PD, Windham PD, Twinsburg PD and the Ohio State Highway Patrol all helped to make this an amazing event. The children were treated to a Dunkin donuts breakfast followed by a lights and siren parade to Walmart. Walmart provided a generous grant and employees dedicated to the event, Dairy Queen supplied a made to order lunch and ice cream to end the shopping trip. A special thanks to Officer French for organizing the lunch and to Administrative Assistant Sharon Gumm who handled all of the behind the scenes organizing, arranging and overall making the event the success that it is. Ofc Fogleman is always an integral part of Safety Land and is vital to our relationship with our children and schools through our DARE and SRO programs. Safety Land is always an



opportunity to connect with our community's children. Ofc Siedlecki organized the Fill-a-Cruiser event this year as he does every year. As we have for the past several years, we teamed up with AAA for the bike helmet program where our officers handled out "citations" to kids wearing bike helmets. The kids were then able to get a free pizza at Gionino's with that citation. The citations are a great incentive for the children's safety and give officers a positive interaction with the kids.



It is always important to recognize our employees for their efforts throughout the year. For 2022, Officer Dennis "DJ" Sheldon was chosen as the Employee of the Year after being nominated by a many of his peers. Officer Sheldon took the initiative to modernize many things around the department including QR codes to new websites to access templates, policies and procedures. He has been instrumental in recruiting new members to the department. Finally, he has made a positive impact in the department's field training officer program, reaching out to check on officers before and after the training

patrol officer, Officer Chris Petro was, once enforcer in arrests of the most impaired enforcement has undoubtedly saved lives and French has earned the 2022 Chief's with the schools and the new SRO program. inception of the well-liked "SRO Kyle" <https://www.facebook.com/SROKyle>. He has PD/schools through grants.



period. The department's senior again the department's top drivers. His work in OVI prevented injuries. Officer Kyle Achievement Award for his work Officer French is making the program is own with the Facebook page found at also obtained various items to be donated to the



No case made more of an impact on the members of the police department, the students and faculty of the Streetsboro City Schools and the Streetsboro community more than the tragic death of high school student James Woods on November 19, 2022. James took his own life after becoming the victim of the lesser-known crime of sextortion. Sextortion – when someone threatens to share your private and sensitive material – typically images – with your family, friends or the public unless you pay them off. James’ parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woods, chose to go public with what had happened to their son in an effort to save future children from being victimized. With the support of his family, we were able to release information to the public about the crime which drew national attention and awareness. James’ legacy, through his mother and father, will be in education and prevention.



Although much of the work our employees do is intangible and cannot be quantified, we still have to keep statistics on crime rates, traffic crashes, traffic cites and more. In 2022, we saw a very slight increase in our serious criminal incidents, with a more significant increase in our general criminal incidents. Total incidents showed a minor increase from 2021 after nearly doubling from 2020 into 2021. We also saw a 12% increase in our service calls this year over 2021. 2021 saw a near doubling from 2020 as the Pandemic concerns decreased and people left their homes, restaurants and bars were re-opened. Over the previous four years, our service calls have trended near the same, but as we expected, we saw a significant increase when the Covid-19 Pandemic loosened its hold and the upward trend has continued. Traffic crashes increased 2022 and we saw an approximate 9% increase in crashes for 2022. The majority of the increase falling in the private property, deer and injury crash categories. Overall, we expect to see increasing trends in calls for service. We have seen an increase in demand for police services over the last several years, excluding the height of the Pandemic. We expect to see those trends continuing.

With another year behind us, we plan to move forward into the new year by continuing to serve our community with pride, integrity and professionalism.

Thank You,

Patricia Wain

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Chief of Police

Streetsboro Police Department

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.

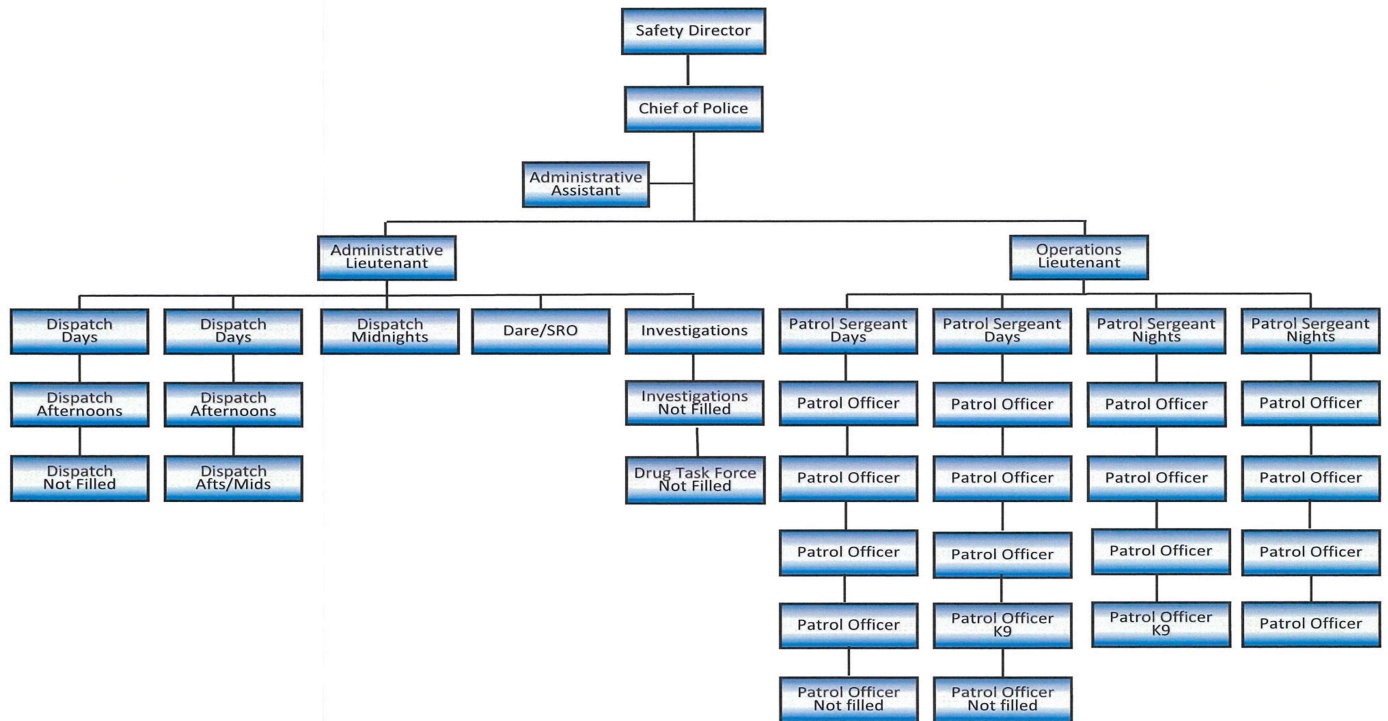
COOPERATION: We recognize the importance of cooperation and teamwork within our department as well as with other departments and our community; cooperation will enable us to achieve common goals.

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.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



PERSONNEL

This list of employees was current on December 31, 2022.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Years at SPD</u>
Patricia Wain	Chief of Police	27
Troy Beaver	Operations Lieutenant	30
Richard Polivka	Administrative Lieutenant	27
Jon Hurley	Sergeant	17
Justin Leidel	Sergeant	19
Stanley Siedlecki	Sergeant	11
Michael Graham	Sergeant	10
Jason Fogleman	SRO/DARE/ Investigator	22
Kyle French	Patrol/SRO	6
Christopher Petro	Patrol	27
Aaron Coates	Patrol	22
Scott Hermon	Patrol	20
Michael Cipriano	Patrol	15
Jason Hall	Patrol	15
Ryan Wolf	Patrol	13
Joshua Bartholomew	Patrol	12
Matthew Plesz	Patrol	11
Thomas Ondecker	Patrol	11
Gene Larson	Patrol	11
Luke Nelson	Patrol	4
Torey Frame	Patrol	3
Dennis Sheldon	Patrol	2
Matthew Colvin	Patrol	2
Joseph Takash	Patrol	1
Daniel Shetler	Patrol	1
Ryan Miller	Patrol	1
Matthew Martinez	Patrol	New Hire
Sharon Gumm	Administrative Assistant	23
Linda Leanza	Dispatch	30
Josee Acklin	Dispatch	15
Alexsander Melomed	Dispatch	14
Haley Otto	Dispatch	8
Jodi Meyer	Dispatch	3
Franklin Puz	Dispatch	2
Angela Rein	Dispatch	New Hire
Milinda Long	Dispatch	New Hire

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. Each year, officers responded to a wide variety of calls ranging from vehicle lockouts to violent felonies.

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 are assigned to one of four (4) platoons, two (2) on nights and two (2) on days while working twelve (12) hour shifts. With these shifts, the police department provides our residents with round the clock coverage all year.

Field Training Officers (FTO) / 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 are certified as FTO's / CTO's:

Lt. Troy Beaver (FTO Coordinator)

Ofc. Michael Cipriano

Ofc. Scott Hermon

Sgt. Stanley Siedlecki

Ofc. Matthew Plesz

Disp. Josee Acklin

Disp Linda Leanza

Disp Alex Melomed

Ofc. Gene Larson

Ofc. Tom Ondecker

Ofc. Kyle French

Sgt. Jon Hurley

Ofc. Ryan Wolf

Disp Haley Firtik

Ofc. DJ Sheldon

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 and the Administrative Lieutenant. 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 was the DARE Officer until the 2021-2022 school year. 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 was taught to 5th grade students at Deer Intermediate School.



The program is approximately twelve (12) weeks long. Ofc Fogleman visited assigned classes each week and taught a prescribed course curriculum regarding drugs, alcohol and peer pressure.

Ofc Fogleman received the State of Ohio DARE Officer of the Year Award in 2018 by DARE Ohio.

Detective Bureau

The Streetsboro Police Department currently has one investigator assigned to the detective bureau following the retirement of Detective Sackett. Due to the staffing levels, the second full time investigator position was not filled. The detective is 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 detective is also responsible for all background investigations on prospective employees. Our SRO also serves as an investigator for juvenile related cases.

K9 Teams

Our department currently has two (2) K9 teams: Ofc Aaron Coates and K9 Reno began working together in January 2018 and Ofc Hall and K9 Kaya have been working together since June 2016.

As part of the assignment as a K-9 Handler, the teams must train at least twice a month to keep both the officer and the animal proficient in several areas. Both K9 teams train bi-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).

Both K9 teams participate in multiple community relations events throughout the year such as K9 demonstrations and Meet and Greets. Both teams are also trained in multiple disciplines such as Narcotics, Criminal Apprehension and Tracking and they utilize their training throughout the year in various situations while on patrol.



Officer Jason Hall
K9 Kaya



Officer Aaron Coates
K9 Reno



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 Summit and Portage County law enforcement agencies. There are presently two (2) Streetsboro Officers assigned to this regional team in the capacity of tactical operators and/or hostage negotiators.

Summit Metro Crash Response Team

The crash team is composed primarily of agencies in Summit County and is designed to provide members with professionally trained crash investigators to document, analyze and reconstruct serious injury and fatal crashes for both criminal and civil purposes. It gives our department access to experienced and trained crash investigators along with specialized equipment and it gives our officers assigned to the team ongoing training and experience. We currently have three (3) officers assigned to the team, two of which are on the training staff.

Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Team

The UAV program was developed to add capabilities to the department in situations such as Search and Rescue, Criminal Apprehension, Crime/Crash Scene Documentation, Suspicious Packages, Fire Situations, and more. The UAV is typically deployed to document crash scenes or to look for missing or wanted persons. In order to operate a UAV for law enforcement purposes, we must comply with all FAA regulations including the certification of pilots and currently have four certified pilots. We have two UAVs, one of which has infrared capabilities.



Bike Patrol Team

The patrol bikes are typically ridden in the warmer months through the neighborhoods and the business parking lots and during special events such as Family Days and parades. They provide a great opportunity for our officers to interact directly with the public. Each of the officers continue to say that the feedback from the public is very positive and they love seeing us out on the bikes. With the addition of several new officers in 2022, we look forward to increasing our trained bike patrol staff.

Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC)

ICAC is a national network of 61 coordinated task forces representing over 4,500 federal, state, and local law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies. These agencies are continually engaged in proactive and reactive investigations and prosecutions of persons involved in child abuse and exploitation involving the internet. We have worked with ICAC for a few years but became more involved in 2017 when we joined a program that specifically targets child sex predators. Sgt. Stan Siedlecki, who works closely with ICAC, has participated in numerous child predator stings with ICAC in Cuyahoga County, Franklin County and Mahoning County over the last several years resulting in dozens of arrests for offenses against children.



Portage County Safe Communities

Safe Communities was introduced to Ohio in December, 1996, as a conceptual strategy for comprehensive traffic injury control at the local level. The goal is to reduce preventable crashes by increasing seat belt usage, increase motorcycle safety awareness, reducing distracted and impaired driving. Safe Communities is funded through Ohio Department of Public Safety and based on a three-year average of fatal crashes. Portage County Safe Communities coalition is comprised of safety advocates including local, county, state law enforcement, ODOT, UH Portage Medical Center, MADD, Portage County Health Department, Portage County Coroner's Office, Mental Health & Recovery Board, AAA, and local businesses.



Communications and Records

The 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.



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 is authorized to employ seven (7) full time Communication Operators and our goal would be to add at least two (2) full time positions in the future. At the end of 2022, we only had 6 full-time dispatchers and two in training.

2022 AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Employee of the Year:

Officer Dennis “DJ” Sheldon

Nominated by his peers for his proactive police work

Chief’s Achievement Award

Officer Kyle French

OVI/MADD Award

Ofc Christopher Petro

Most impaired driving arrests. He has won this award 22 times.

Perfect Attendance (0 hours of sick time used):

Disp Linda Leanza

Sgt Justin Leidel

Ofc Michael Cipriano

Ofc Jason Hall

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.

In 2022, we are proud to announce we had **zero** citizen’s complaint filed against our officers. This is a testament to the professionalism the patrol officers exercise on a daily basis.

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 2022, SPD officers were involved in seven (7) incidents which involved a Use of Force. Of those, all but one were found to be compliant with SPD Use of Force policy, one (1) resulted in retraining. Of the seven (7) total incidents: five

(5) were hands only where no weapons were involved and two (2) included the use of a Taser. The incidents resulted in two (2) minor injuries to the officers involved and four (4) minor injuries to the subjects (two of the injured subjects were the expected results of the taser probes.)

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 2022, our officers were involved in two (2) pursuits. In late 2019, we changed our pursuit policy from a discretionary policy to a more restrictive policy to minimize the danger of these pursuits to the public, motorists on the roadways and our officers. Our officers have adjusted to the new pursuit policy. One pursuit was found to be within policy and one was found to be out of compliance with policy and resulted in a one-day suspension and probation extension.

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. Lexipol provides daily training bulletins (DTB's) that officers can complete during the month. The DTB's reinforce high risk and low occurrence critical thinking, as well as standard refreshers for day-to-day operations. The State of Ohio mandated 24 hours of Continuing Professional Training for 2022. Those hours were met through eOPOTA and PoliceOne online training.

In-service training included Taser, Medical Dispatch training through APCO, firearms training, and many shift level trainings coordinated by the shift supervisors. In-service training also includes online training through sites such as EOPOTA and PoliceOne online.

External Training

Outside training needs are met by sending personnel to specialized training workshops through many different 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 current training to staff is critical. We send officers all across the state of Ohio and occasionally to other states to receive training. Officers were able to attend webinars, more in-person classes than they were in 2021. Officers were able to attend in-person training programs for Firearms, Resiliency and Organizational Wellness, Basic Traffic Crash, CIT, STEP, FBINAA, Gracie Survival Tactics, Advanced Traffic Collision, OACP First Line Supervision, Advanced Patrol Tactics, Active Threat, Department of Homeland Security FLETC Leadership Academy, Collision Reconstruction, Interview and Interrogation, Encounters with Individuals with Mental/Developmental Disabilities, Human Trafficking/Child Advocacy Center, Asher training and much more.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH and SPECIAL EVENTS

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 notable events, community policing and engagement events members of the Streetsboro Police Department participated in during 2022:

- Super Bowl NHTSA Driver Sober campaign with Portage Safe Communities
- Officers played cornhole with children at the Bicentennial picnic
- Pizza parties and games at the elementary school
- AAA and SPD **Helmet Smart** program where Gioninos supplied pizza for kids wearing helmets
- **Fill-a-Cruiser** events where food and cash were donated to food pantries
- Participated in **Safety Land**
- Participated in a **NAACP Partnering for Public Safety** event
- National **“Click it or Ticket”** campaign and kickoff event at Aurora Farms
- Continued work with our social media campaign allowed us to get tips to solve a several criminal cases
- Provided “Drive Slow” yard signs to our residents
- Officer French created a public safety video for Safe Communities
- Officer Petro located a housefire while on patrol
- Sergeant Hurley located a housefire while on patrol
- Chief Wain, Lt Beaver, Lt Polivka, Officers Hermon, French, Fogleman and Colvin participated in ice cream with Defer 4th and 5th graders
- Participation in the national **“Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over”** campaign
- Chief Wain participated in an on-line parole hearing for Michael York (93 murder of Heather Sedivy)
- Officer Hermon and Detective Fogleman participated in **Ice Cream with a Cop** at Defer
- Sergeant Siedlecki and Officers Hall and Wolf were interviewed for Discovery ID bodycam tv show
- Lt Polivka, Lt Beaver, Office Hermon and Detective Fogleman participated in reading with 4th and 5th graders
- Participated in **9-11** Ceremony at City Hall and 9.11 Mile Remembrance Run
- Officer Hermon and Detective Fogleman participated in **Lunch and Learn** in City Park with Senior Citizens
- Multiple events for the Bicentennial
- **Trunk or Treat** hosted by Parks and Recs Officers French and Bartholomew
- **Trunk or Treat** hosted by Ohio State Highway Patrol
- **Trick or Treat** hosted by the Greater Akron Autism Society at Trail Lake Park
- Officers handed out candy and glow sticks during the city **Trick or Treat**
- **Shop with a Cop**, full event at Walmart where over 30 children participated in a lights and siren parade to a shopping spree followed by lunch at DQ
- Officer French with **Young Explorers** on how to serve the community
- Officer Colvin received national attention for his arrest of a Doordash driver and completion of the driver’s deliveries
- **Fill a Cruiser** Sgt Siedlecki, Officer Coates, Dispatcher Meyer and Chief Wain received 6 car loads of food and over \$1000 in donations

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.cityofstreetsboro.com/departments/police-department/

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. By the end of 2022, we exceeded 15,000 followers. 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 has been used by some departments to inform the public of information during critical incidents such as the Boston Marathon bombing. We currently have almost 5,600 followers on



Twitter. Check us out at: www.twitter.com/streetsboropd or [@streetsboropd](https://twitter.com/streetsboropd)

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 almost 11,500 contacts receiving our Nixle alerts. In order to receive our alerts go to: www.nixle.com or **Text your zip code to 888777**

Instagram

We started an Instagram account in 2019 to add an additional location where community members can find information. It is still relatively new and at this point has over 970 followers. Find our Instagram at:



@streetsboropd

Neighbors by Ring



We are in the process of starting a partnership with Neighbors by Ring to leverage the video technology of Ring to help solve crimes and keep our neighborhoods safe.

STATISTICS

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. 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 2022 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.

Serious Criminal Incidents	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Criminal Homicide	0	0	0	0	1
Rape	3	4	0	1	0
Robbery	13	1	1	8	0
Assault	18	24	12	1	1
Arson	2	0	0	3	0
Burglary/Breaking Entering	0	3	19	14	18
General Theft	228	204	166	129	129
Motor Vehicle Theft	14	25	12	20	14
Total Serious Incidents	261	261	210	238	216

Total Incident Reports	3168	3032	1581	2714	2694
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General Criminal Incidents	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Sex Offense	17	8	9	16	20
Domestic Violence	63	51	52	43	44
Forgery	0	1	0	1	3
Counterfeiting	2	2	3	4	6
Fraud/ID theft	103	99	50	41	48
Receiving Stolen Prop	3	0	3	5	2
Vandalism	7	2	0	2	2
Criminal Damaging	44	27	42	52	35
Criminal Mischief	8	3	11	14	15
Trespassing	20	15	12	16	15
Drug Related	125	86	138	136	128
Telecom Harassment	39	49	58	34	36
Menacing	12	9	9	10	9
Gambling	0	0	1	0	0
CCW	4	23	5	6	6
Disorderly Conduct	10	12	13	17	14
Total General Criminal Incidents	457	387	406	424	404

Calls for Service	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Domestic Dispute	147	207	160	151	140
Psychiatric Situation	163	177	110	98	106
Suicide	4	5	1	5	0
Attempted Suicide	0	1	4	4	8
Welfare Check	554	587	320	326	284
Animal Related	490	380	226	278	223
Vehicle Lockouts	685	412	290	501	508
Drug Overdose	18	16	22	14	23
DOA	57	38	27	0	0
Juvenile Related	395	307	189	266	233
Alarm Drops	1434	1219	692	744	787
Disturbance	471	462	345	333	330
Noise	231	235	182	129	97
Suspicious Behavior	1322	1257	946	937	840
Community Policing	3082	1669	1664	1697	1446
Fire Related	1288	900	488	559	512
EMS	2314	1931	1565	1559	1719
Traffic Related	1282	1208	1058	1148	999
Disabled Vehicles	641	451	371	481	489
Mutual Aid	370	484	353	385	384
Other Service Calls	27043	25362	9622	12744	12368
Total Calls for Service	41991	37308	18635	22101	21242

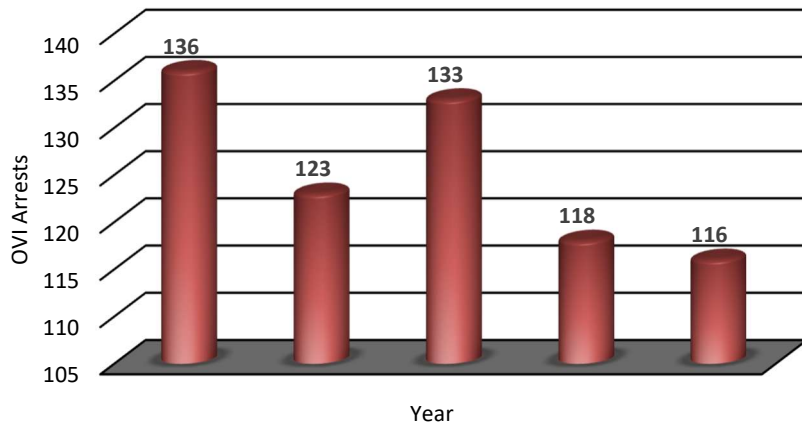
Traffic Enforcement	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Self-Initiated Traffic	5257	3386	3150	6548	5939
Total Traffic Cites	1547	1336	1454	1927	1739
OVI Arrests	136	123	133	118	116
Parking Cites	58	40	50	61	61

Traffic Crashes	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Hit Skip Crashes	35	36	39	6548	5939
Property Damage Only	299	300	281	1927	1739
Injury Crashes	118	103	114	118	116
Fatal Crashes	2	1	0	61	61
Deer Crashes	40	26	23	31	28
Private Property Crash	152	125	132	170	135
Total Reportable Crashes (HS+P+I+F+D)	646	466	457	457	497

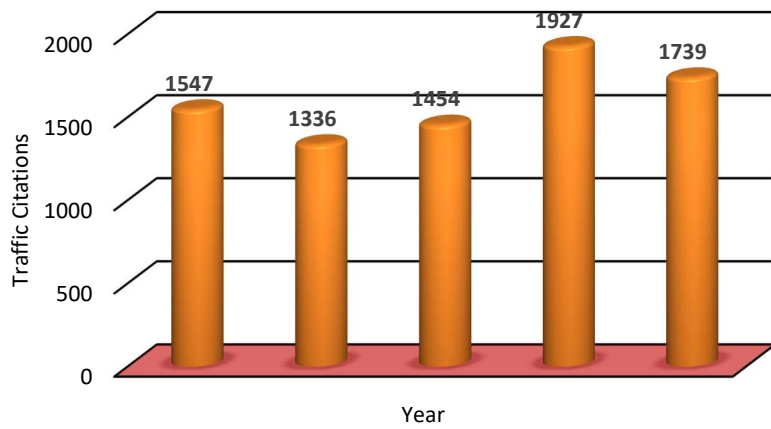
Arrests/Charges	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total Arrests	822	621	501	528	711

Total Charges Filed	1244	883	807	790	1097
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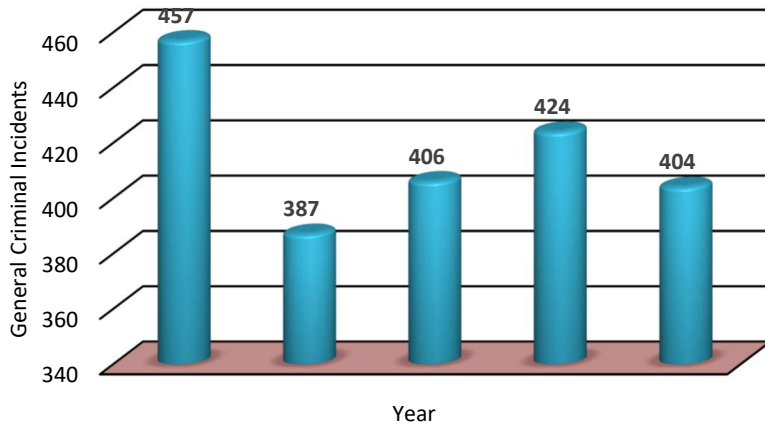
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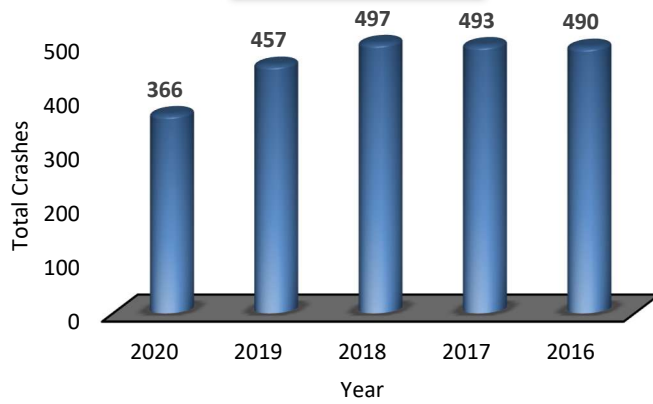
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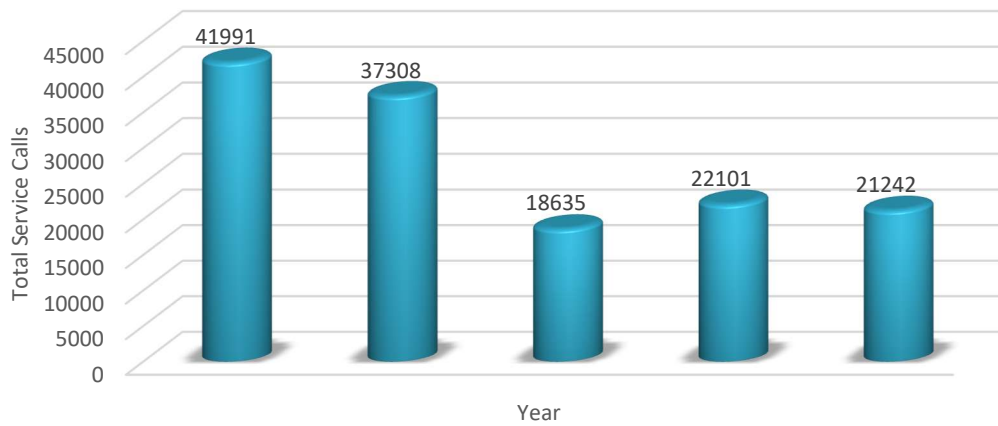
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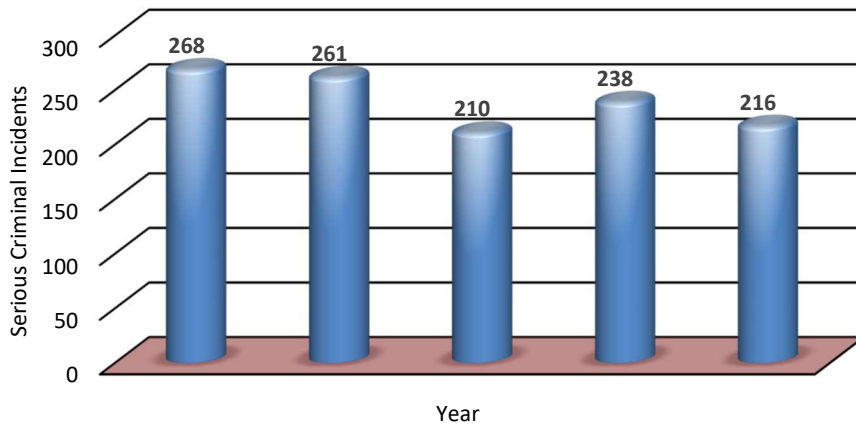
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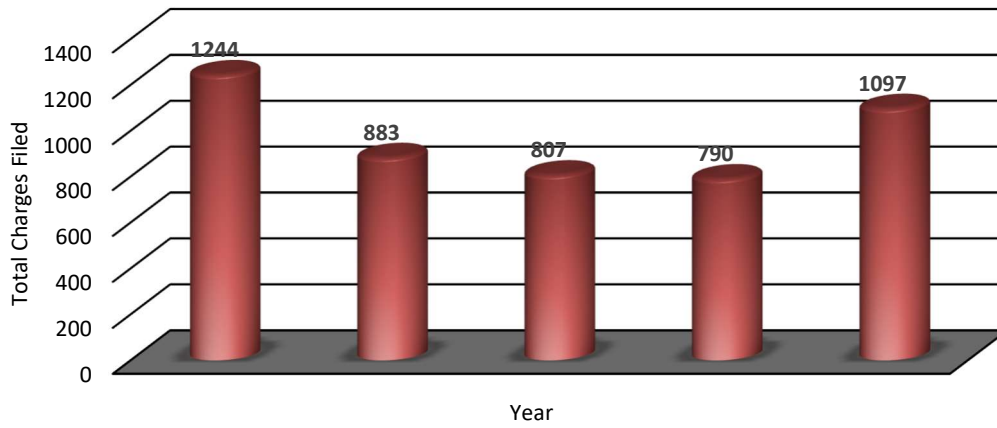
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Serious Criminal Incidents



Total Charges Filed



Total Incidents

