

WEST MILTON POLICE DIVISION

2023 ANNUAL REPORT



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Letter from Chief's Office

As your Chief of Police, I try to keep the citizens of West Milton informed about the events in the police division. We had a great year in 2023 with many events attended and much accomplished over the year.

I hope you find this annual report informative yet rewarding that your police division can accomplish so much with such a small, dedicated staff. We have strived for years to hire the best of the best, so the citizens of West Milton are well served. We answer any call from a citizen regardless of the matter and work to help them to resolve whatever their issue may be at the time.

During 2023 we hosted one of our largest Citizen's Police Academy classes. This was our 4th class we have hosted. All the participants had a great time and stated they didn't realize all that the West Milton Police Division does daily.

We also hosted our annual Municipal Open House in May that was well attended. This is a great event bringing the residents of West Milton to City Hall for an evening with all the divisions (Police, Fire, Public Works, EMS) to learn about the services provided. The Chasteen IGA in West Milton is an annual supporter of this event providing the refreshments for the attendees. It's always a great time and family oriented. The Police Division hosts this annually around National Law Enforcement Memorial Week.

As your Chief my door is always open, and the coffee is on if you want to stop and have a visit. Chief Jay of the West Milton Fire Department and I host a meet and greet with us every year for citizens to chat over coffee. We are here to serve as we stand behind our Core Values of Service, Integrity, & Respect!!! I am blessed to be your Chief of Police and I hope you learn something as you look through this report.

Sincerely,

Doyle Wright, Chief of Police

The Chief of Police is the chief executive officer for the West Milton Police Division. He or she is responsible for the protection of lives and property within the Municipality of West Milton through the operation and administration of all required law enforcement functions. The chief of police organizes, controls, and directs personnel and resources of the West Milton Police Division.

WEST MILTON PATCH



The West Milton Police Patch over the years has changed from an orange and black to triangle shape of blue and white in the 1950's-1960's to a green and white sphere looking patch in the 1970's. Again, in the 1980's the patch changed again to a blue and yellow then blue and white generic looking style. When Chief Kempel came to West Milton in 2008 he once again changed the patch to the current above configuration. However, the patch was yellow writing where there is white currently with a yellow edge. When Chief Busse took over in 2014 he again changed the patch to a shiny gold stitching for the letters and edging. Once again in the coming year of 2024 we will change the patch stitching to match the color scheme of our marked cars. We will go with the above patch for the traditional black and white with the lively colors in the middle reflecting our downtown. The patch is unique to our agency, having been designed under Chief Kempel.

MISSION STATEMENT

West Milton Police Division prides themselves on providing professional police services in partnership with the community to enhance the quality of life within the Municipality of West Milton, by providing a safe environment in which to live and work.

WEST MILTON POLICE CHALLENGE COIN



The employees of the West Milton Police Division are dedicated to the CORE VALUES below:

CORE VALUES

SERVICE

We strive to improve the quality of life in partnership with the community. Our commitment is unwavering in the face of many challenges confronting our officers.

INTEGRITY

We adhere to the highest moral and ethical standards. Honesty and sincerity serve as the foundation in dealing with each other and the community. In all we do, we have the courage and commitment to uphold these values.

RESPECT

We will treat all people with compassion, tolerance, and dignity by providing professional law enforcement services through highly trained personnel accountable to our community.

ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE

West Milton Police Division Command Staff



Chief Doyle Wright
7 Years of Service



Admin Sgt. Jason Stevens
16 Years' Service

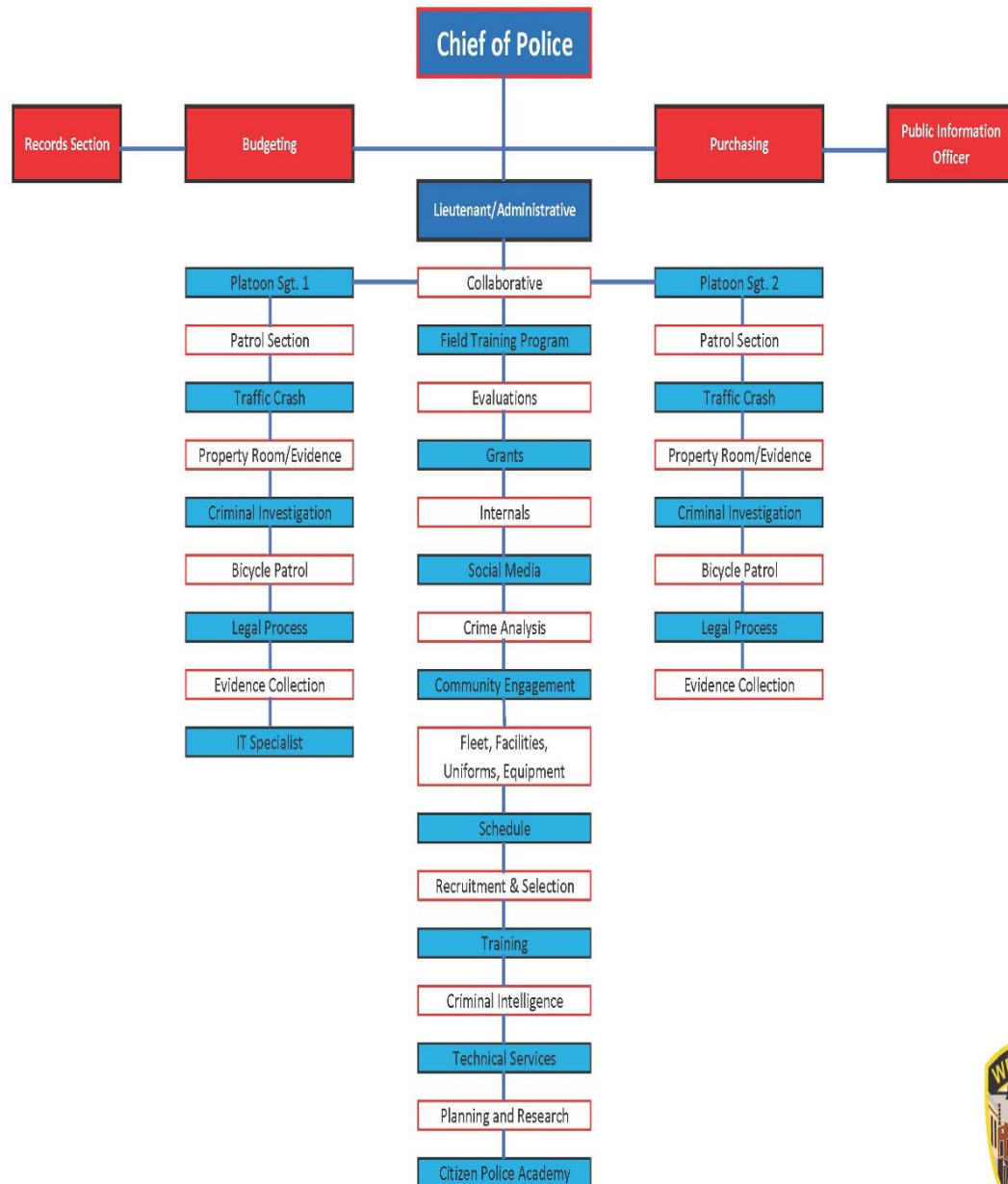


Sgt. James Leonard
9 Years' Service



Sgt. Ryan Ingle
8 Years' Service

FUNCTION CHART FOR DIVISION



Updated 7.6.2022

West Milton Police Division Staffing & Allocation Table

<u>Position</u>	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Chief of Police	1	1
Lieutenant	1	0
Sergeants	2	3
Officers	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
Total	9	9

<u>Administrative Division</u>	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Chief of Police	1	1
Lieutenant	1	0

<u>Uniform Patrol Division</u>	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Sergeants	2	3
Officers	5	5

POLICE OFFICER'S *Prayer*



LORD.

Give me the

COURAGE

to Face the

DANGERS

Of

MY WORK,

THE STRENGTH OF

BODY AND SPIRIT

TO HELP OTHERS AND

UPHOLD THE LAW, AND LORD,

PROTECT ME ALWAYS

2023 Award Recipients



Officer David Kiser

Letter of Recognition



Officer Chance Setters

Life Saving Award



Officer Cody Stemley

Officer of the Year, Life Saving Award



Officer Ben Davis

Two Letters of Recognition



Sergeant Ryan Ingle

Letter of Recognition



Officer Travis Bunch

Life Saving Award



Sergeant James Leonard

Life Saving Award

PERSONNEL HIGHLIGHTS

Chief Doyle Wright

Served Clark State Community College Police 1986 to 1987
Served Clifton Police Department 1987 to 1989
Served Enon Police Department 1987 to 1989
Served City of Beavercreek Police Department 1989 to 2014 retiring as a Captain
Served Clark County Sheriff's Office as Chief Deputy from 2014 – 2017
Served West Milton Police Division as Officer & Lieutenant January 2017 – August 2021
Chief– Serving West Milton Police Division August 2021 to Present

Sergeant James Leonard

Served City of Springfield Police Division 10 years
Sergeant - Serving West Milton Police Division 2014 to Present

Sergeant Ryan Ingle

USAF- SF/Criminal investigations Sergeant, (Veteran) 2 tours overseas (6 yr.)
Investigative Dept. Manager- Corrections Corporation of America TN. & LA. (2 yrs.)
Administrative Sergeant – Serving West Milton Police Division 2015 to Present

Sergeant Jason Stevens

Prior service as a St. Paris Police Officer and Champaign County Corrections Officer
Sergeant – Serving West Milton Police Division 2008 to Present

Officer David Kiser

Served New Madison Police and Arcanum Police for 6 years.
Officer – Serving West Milton Police Division 2020 to Present

Officer Chance Setters

Served as a Correction Officer for Miami County Jail for 2 years.
Officer – Serving West Milton Police Division 2020 to Present

Officer Cody Stemley

United States Army- Military police, (Veteran), 1 tour overseas.
Officer – Serving West Milton Police Division 2020 to Present

Officer Travis Bunch

Served as a Correction Officer for Miami County Jail for 2 years.
Officer – Serving West Milton Police Division 2022 to Present

Officer Ben Davis

USAF Sergeant Security Forces (Veteran) Served 7 years.
Officer – Serving West Milton Police Division 2022 to Present

2023 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

SERVICE * INTEGRITY * RESPECT

Below are the goals & objectives the West Milton Police Division have set for 2023:

- 001 Host Annual Municipal Open House during Police Memorial Week in May.
- 002 Conduct 4th Annual Citizens Police Academy Class in fall.
- 003 Conduct Defensive Driver Training for all personnel.
- 004 All personnel attend at minimum one offsite course for advanced training.
- 005 Conduct minimum of 2 additional shooting ranges in addition to state qualifier.
- 006 Replace existing sidearms with new sidearms for all sworn personnel.
- 007 Establish the FLOCK System and train all employees in the use.
- 008 Conduct Annual Active Shooter Training with Fire, EMS, and School Staff.

2023 GOALS & OBJECTIVES UPDATE

001 Host Annual Municipal Open House during Police Memorial Week in May.

25%	50%	75%	100%
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002 Conduct 4th Annual Citizens Police Academy Class in fall.

25%	50%	75%	100%
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003 Conduct Defensive Driver Training for all personnel.

25%	50%	75%	100%
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004 All personnel attend at minimum one offsite course for advancing training.

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008 Conduct Annual Active Shooter Training with Fire, EMS, and School Staff.

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*****Gray Shading shows how much of the goal was completed during the year.**

Uniform Patrol Division



The Uniform Patrol Division is responsible for field services that protect life and property. The division detects, deters, and prevents crimes from occurring, while apprehending violators. The division provides 24/7 patrol by uniformed officers and a variety of field operations and services 365 days per year. The primary functions of the Uniform Patrol Division are to preserve the public peace, respond to calls for service, render assistance to persons when necessary and conduct criminal investigations from start to finish.

PATROL SECTION

Supervisors

Sergeant James Leonard
Sergeant Ryan Ingle
Sergeant Jason Stevens

Years of Service

9
8
16

Officers

Officer David Kiser
Officer Chance Setters
Officer Stemley
Officer Travis Bunch
Officer Ben Davis

Years of Service

3
3
2
2
2

WEST MILTON POLICE DIVISION

YEAR	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
NUMBER OF CALLS FOR SERVICE	3305	4022	3048	2964	4641	4836

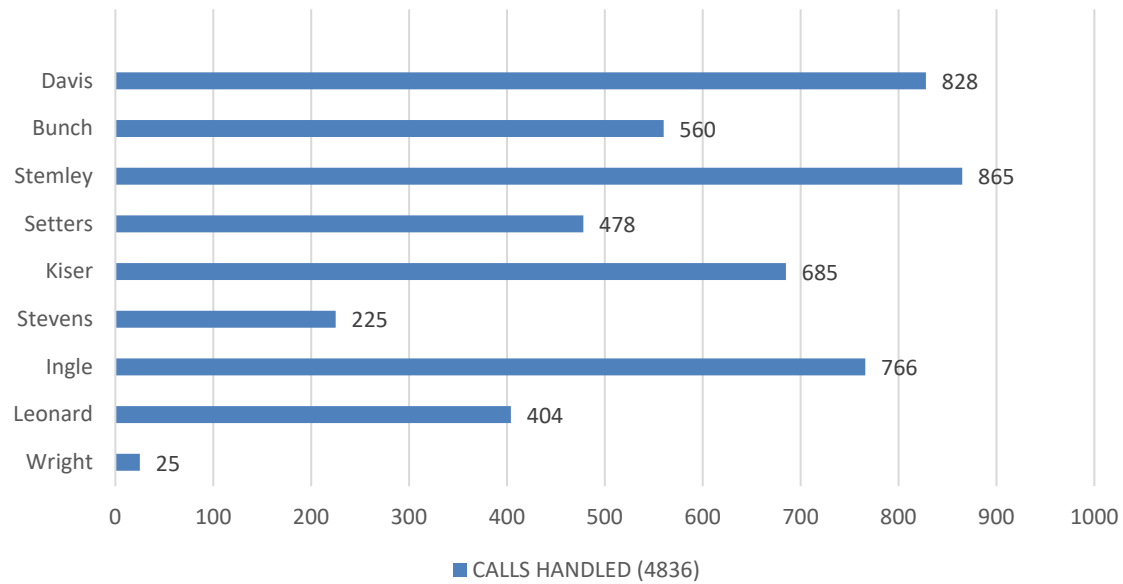


2023 STATISTICS	Total
Abandoned Vehicle	3
Alarms	35
Alcohol, Open Container	1
Animal Abuse	1
Animal Problem	96
Assault, Felony	2
Assault, Misdemeanor	6
Assist Agency	779
Assist Citizen	424
Breaking & entering or ATT B&E	0
Burglary or ATT Burg.	15
Child Abuse or Neglect	7
CPO / TPO Violation	4
Criminal Damaging	22
Criminal Mischief	1
Civil Matter	77
Dead Body	7
Disorderly Conduct	34
Domestic Dispute/Disturbance	41
Domestic Violence	18
Drug Overdose	5
Drug Paraphernalia	3
Drug Possession	7
Drug Trafficking	1
Driving Under Suspension	8
Falsification	1
Forgery / Counterfeiting	3
Found Property	13
Fraud	28
Fireworks Violation	7
Gross Sexual Imposition	2
Gunshot	1
Identity Theft	5
Information Report	39
Intimidation	2
Intoxicated Person	2
Junk Vehicle	11
Unruly Juvenile	31
Littering / Illegal Dumping	2
Menacing / Agg. Menacing	10
Mental Health Issue	10
Missing Person	6
Obstructing Official Business	3
Open Burning	2
OVI	27
Parking Problem	57
Property Damage	1
Public Indecency	1
Probation / Parole Violation	1
Rape	1
Receiving Stolen Property	1
Sexual Offenses	4
Strangulation Offenses	1
Suicide Attempt	4
Suicide	3
Suspicious Calls	140

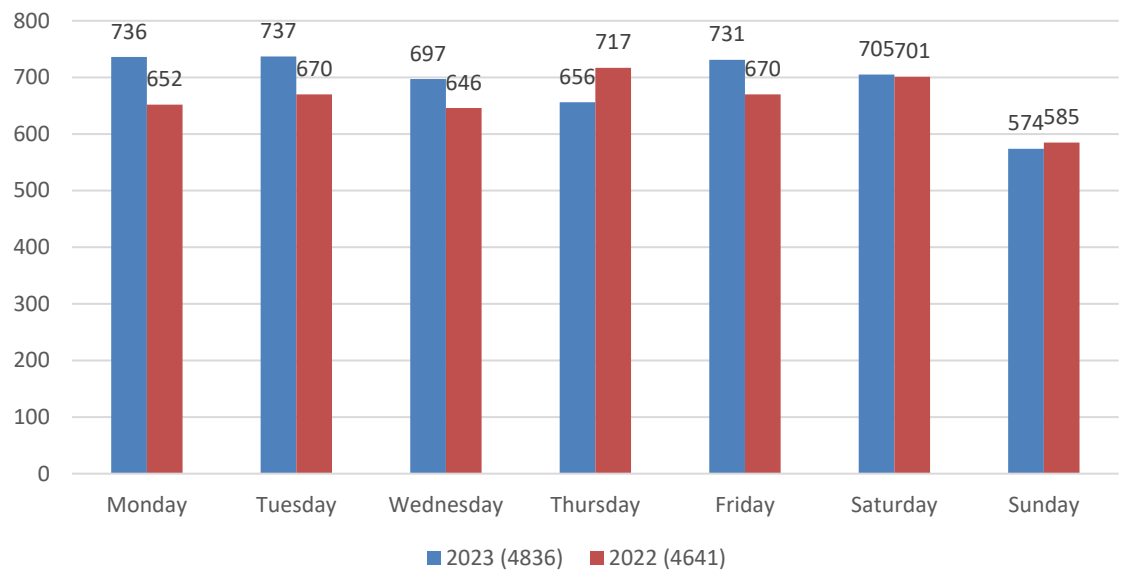
2023 STATISTICS CONTINUED	Total
Traffic Crash Hit-Skip	9
Traffic Crash Non-Injury	28
Traffic Crash Injury	5
Traffic Crash Private Property	2
Telecommunications Harassment	31
Theft Motor Vehicle	2
Traffic Offenses	1107
Theft of Property	25
Theft Shoplifting	2
Trespassing	29
Vandalism	2
Warrants	41
Welfare Fraud	15
Welfare Check	80
All Other Miscellaneous Calls	1432
Total	4836

STATISTICAL DATA

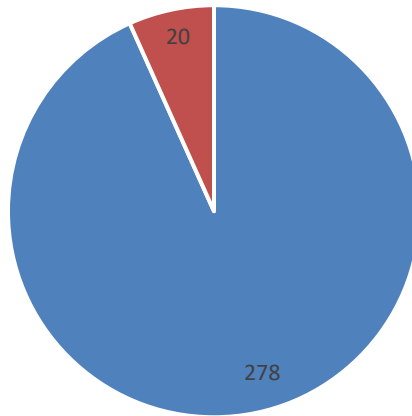
CALLS ANSWERED BY OFFICERS



CALLS BY DAY OF THE WEEK

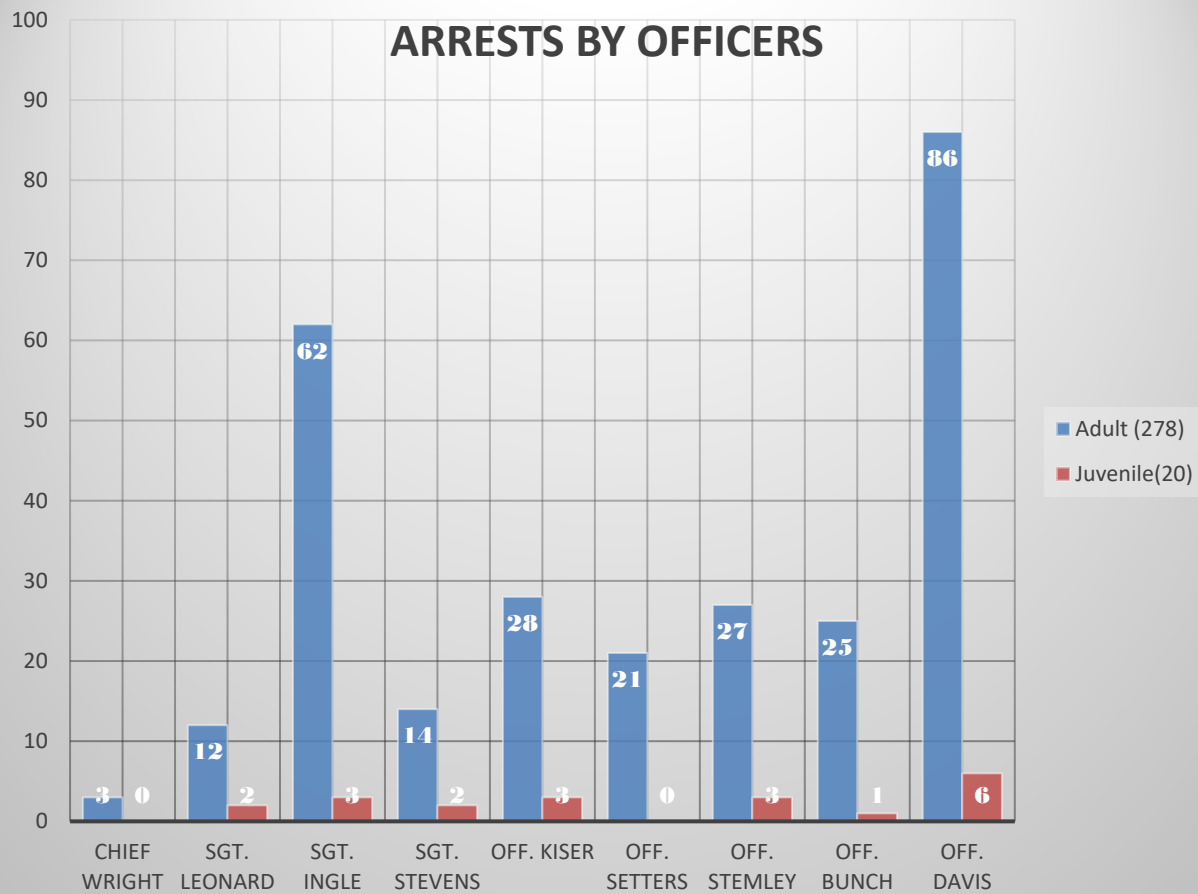


ARRESTS ADULT & JUVENILE

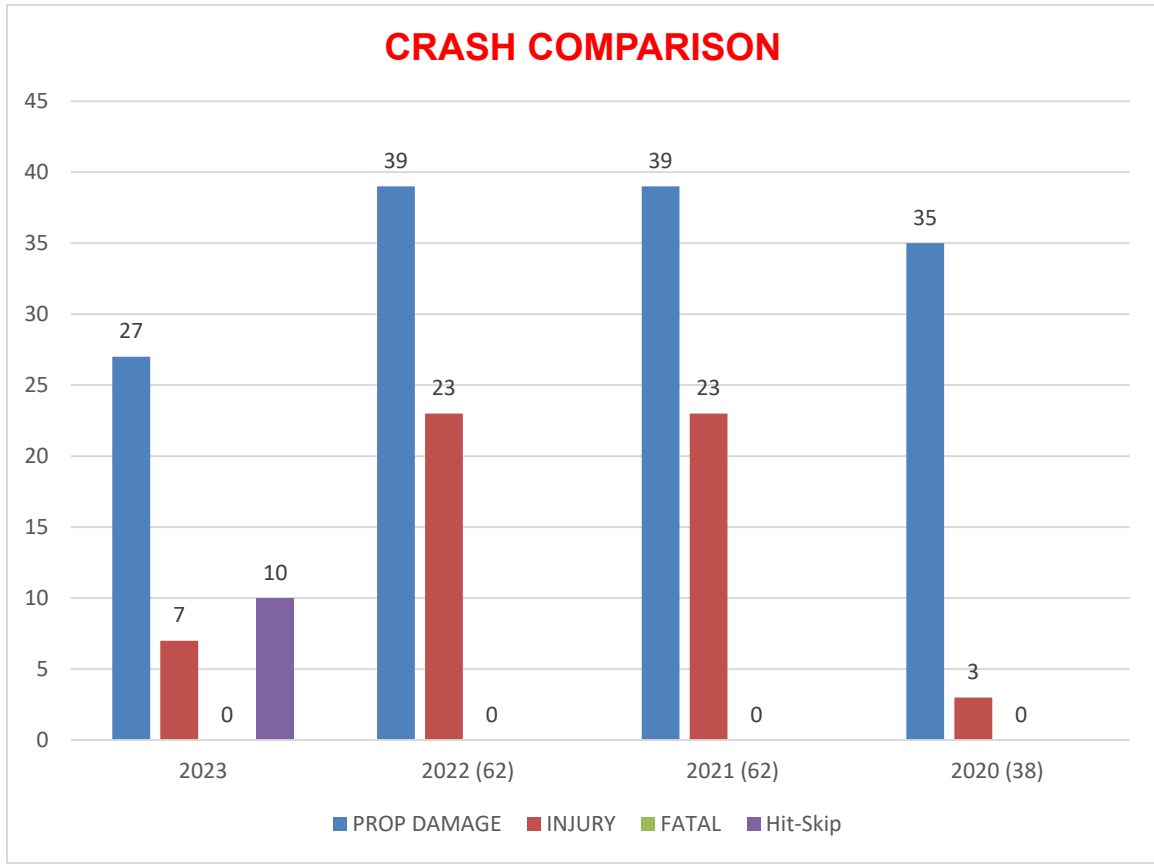


■ Adults (278) ■ Juveniles (20)

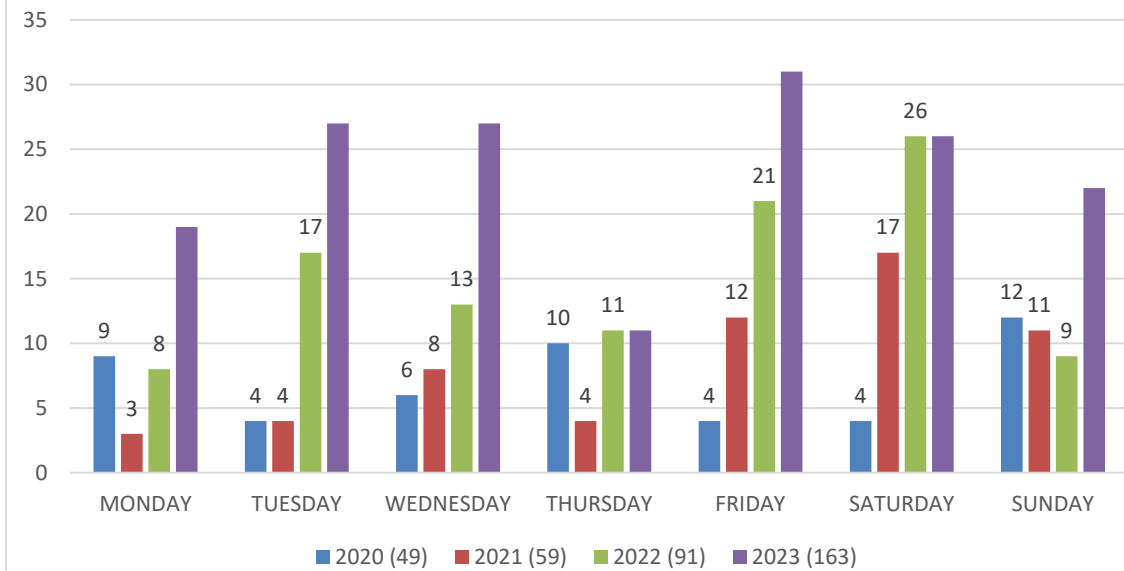
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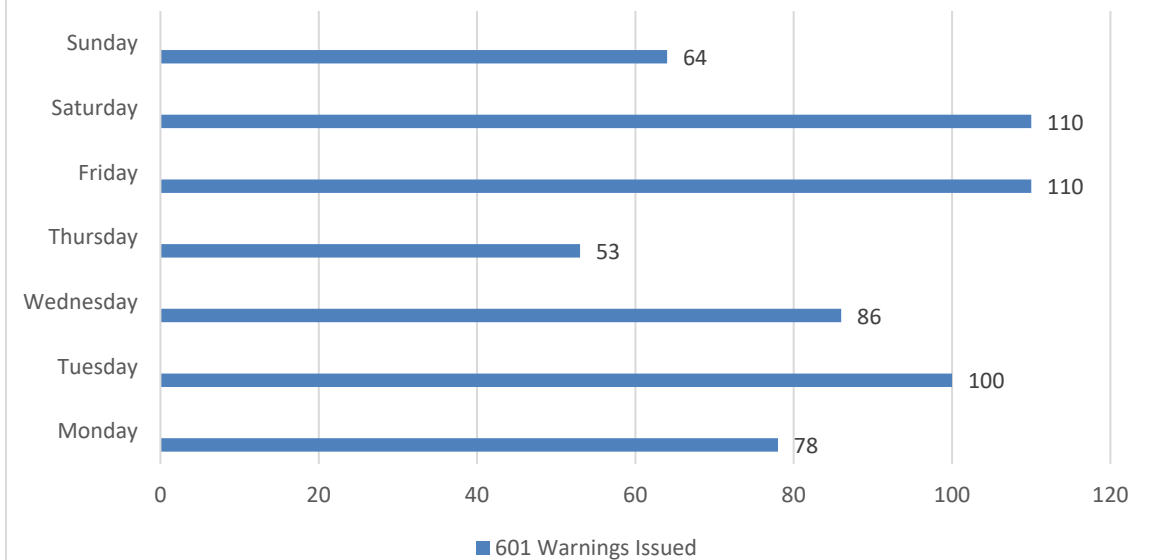
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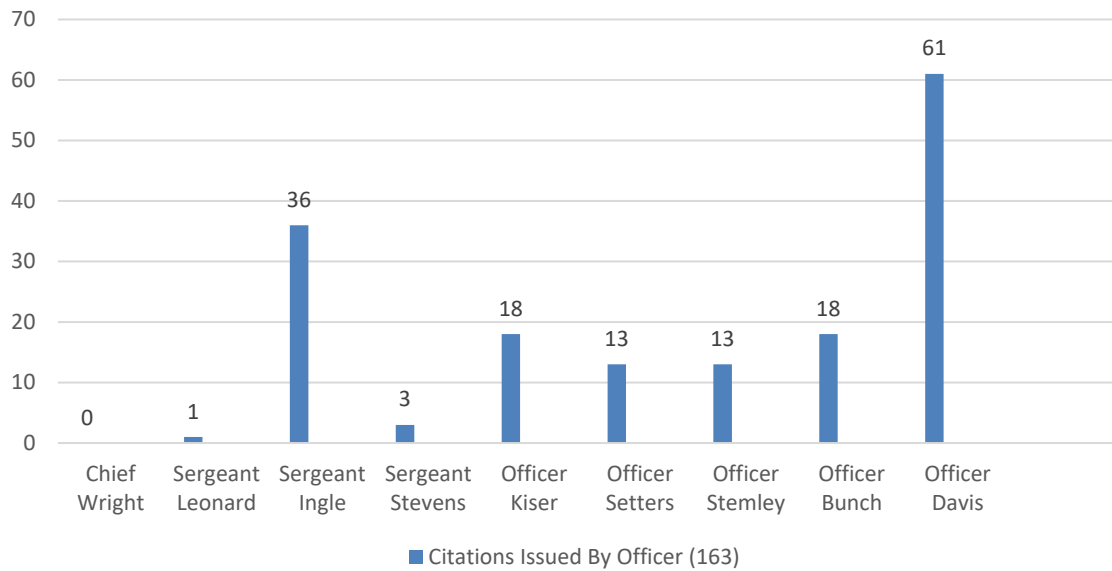
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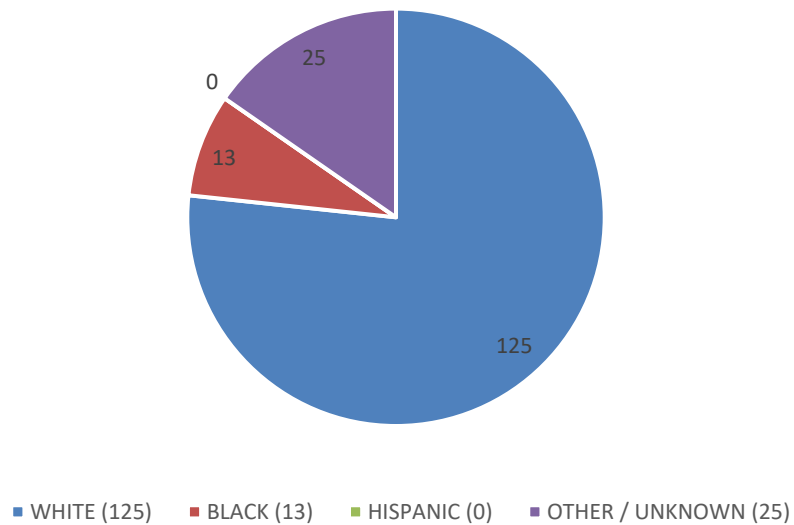
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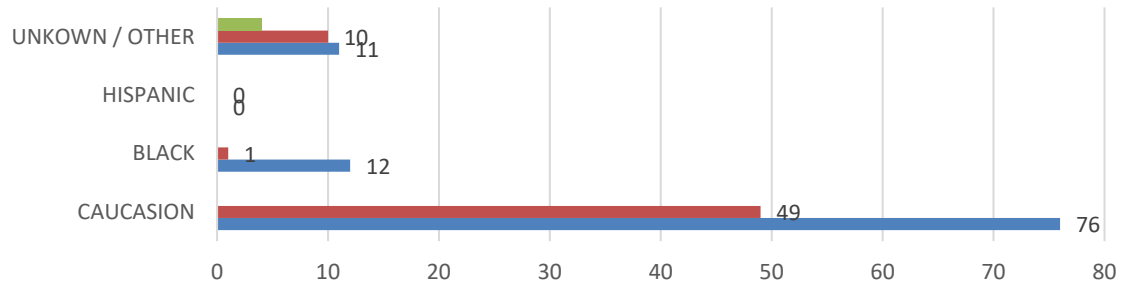
TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED BY OFFICER



DEMOGRAPHICS OF PERSON'S CITED BY RACE



DEMOGRAPHICS OF PERSON'S STOPPED BY SEX & RACE 2022



	CAUCASION	BLACK	HISPANIC	UNKOWN / OTHER
UNKOWN	0	0	0	4
FEMALES	49	1	0	10
MALES	76	12	0	11

■ UNKOWN
 ■ FEMALES
 ■ MALES

CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY



L-R: Bonnie Banta, Adrea Cavanaugh, Regina Johnson, Nikki Willis, Christy Grant, Noah Gauvey, Austin Grant, Wendy Heisey, Gregory Powell, and Byrant Owens

West Milton Citizen's Police Academy Class IV was held Monday nights September 18, 2023, through November 13, 2023. Sergeant Stevens served as the Academy Commander and enjoyed getting to know the citizens in the class. This is an annual class held to familiarize citizens with the operations of the West Milton Police Division. Each officer of the Division gets an opportunity to teach in the classroom and meet each of the citizens. Citizen participants enjoy a ride along with the officers and visit the local incarceration facility as well as the 9-1-1 Center. This class visited our firing range and were able to shoot all the weapons issued to the officers. Each year the common theme at the end of the class is "I wish this class was not over". We are pleased to offer this community relations course annually at no cost to the citizens participants.

Chief Wright

Citizen Survey's

During 2023 the agency sent out 112 surveys to random contacts the officers had during their shift. A template is used to make this random. Approximately every 25th call for service handled during the month receives a survey asking how the contact person would rate the service they received from the agency and officer. The surveys go out to people cited, arrested, filed a criminal complaint, or received some other services from the agency. The surveys are mailed with a self-addressed stamped envelope included for the return.

During 2023 we received 17 of the survey's back. All surveys received back in 2023 were mostly positive comments and ratings. Below is a sample of the comments received on the surveys in 2023.

- Your police department continues to be excellent in your professionalism and conduct. Outstanding officers.**
- I'm happy they showed up for a well check. They were very concerned and just wanted to make sure I went to the hospital. I have so much respect for all officers. The only thing I will say is if these guys would sit on Sanlor Avenue they would catch a ton of people speeding. Praying for officers always! God Bless and protect all of you!!**
- The first officer to respond was okay. The two officers that showed up later completely disregarded what actually took place. Continually try to say I changed my story. When I absolutely did not, and the entire police report I saw after was WRONG!! And absolutely should be fixed.**
- Not sure of the safety, I don't know if the man that completely stopped in front of me was ever contacted regarding his actions.**
- Body cams would be something all officers should be supplied. I believe body cams would be a peace of mind to all involved.**
- I was looking for a driveway to ACES and couldn't see it and needed help, so I drove to the officers and asked for help. Very helpful.**

AGENCY 2023 HIGHLIGHTS

- January 17:** West Milton Police Division notified they were awarded the ARPA Grant for First Responder Wellness. \$13,500 Grant.
- January 19:** Police Division semi-annual meeting held.
- February 1:** Sergeant Stevens and Chief Wright attended the Miami Valley Crime Prevention Association meeting. Sergeant. Stevens joined the association as a representative of West Milton Police.
- February 3:** Chief Wright graduated from the 14-month course called Certified Law Enforcement Executive "CLEE".
- February 8:** Chief Wright, Sergeant Ingle, and Sergeant Stevens attended training to become Certified Mental Health First Aid Responders. Hosted by the Tri-County Mental Health Board.
- February 21-25:** Chief Wright and Sergeant Stevens attended FEMA Center for Domestic Preparedness Incident Command Course in Anniston, Alabama. Free training.
- March 15:** K-9 Search was conducted at the high school and student parking.
- March 22:** Coffee with the Police and Fire Chiefs was held at McDonalds.
- March 20:** Officer Kiser and Officer Setters attended training to become Certified Mental Health First Aid Responders.
- April 2:** Sergeant Stevens attended the annual Ohio Crime Prevention Association Conference hosted in Columbus, Ohio.
- April 10:** Hosted Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Night in the Council Chambers.
- April 14:** Sergeant Stevens gave a tour of the police division to the Milton-Union Schools Special Needs Class.
- May 11-12:** West Milton Police Hosted Government Days for the graduating seniors.
- May 15:** West Milton Police Division hosted the annual Municipal Open House in conjunction with National Police Week.
- May 29:** West Milton Police Division staff worked the Memorial Day Parade held during the morning hours.
- June 6:** Semi Annual OHLEG audit conducted by Attorney General's Office. No issues found.
- June 7:** Officer Stemley read to the kids at the West Milton Library.

- July 4:** West Milton Police Division staff worked on the 4th of July Parade in the morning and the 4th of July Celebration activities in the evening.
- July 5:** Chief Wright read to the kids at the West Milton Library.
- July 10-14:** Sergeant Stevens assisted Miami County Sheriff's Office at Milton-Union Schools with the annual Safety Town presentations.
- July 18:** Sergeant Stevens and Officer Kiser presented "Danger Stranger" program to a group of young children at the West Milton Library.
- July 19:** Police Division semi-annual meeting held.
- July 25-26:** Sergeant Stevens assisted Miami County Sheriff's Office at Newton Schools with the annual Safety Town presentations.
- August 2:** Officer Stemley read to the kids at the West Milton Library.
- August 7:** West Milton Police Division notified they received the ARPA Grant for First Responder Retention Incentive. \$24,000 dollars.
- August 12:** Officer Stemley participated in the Book Bag giveaway at the Milton-Union Schools.
- August 14:** Sergeant Stevens participated with other county law enforcement agencies in the kid's day event at the Miami County Fair.
- August 15:** Officer Davis worked a traffic control for the annual Bob Schul Invitational at Milton-Union Schools
- August 19:** Officers participated in the 1st Responders Night at the Milton-Union High School Football Game.
- September 6:** Officer Kiser read to the Children at the West Milton Library.
- September 26:** Chief Wright and Sergeant Stevens attended training at the Tri-County Board of Mental Health for Trauma Informed Approach in a Youth setting.
- September 26:** Chief Wright and Sergeant Stevens gave a talk to Christina Smith Miami County Capabilities along with 3 clients about police Services.
- September 27:** West Milton Officers and City of Union Officers trained together in Defensive driving at the old Emory Freight parking lot in Vandalia.
- October 9:** Chief Wright and Sergeant Ingle conducted annual robbery Response training with Abbey Credit Union Employee's.
- October 17:** Sgt. Stevens participated in the annual sexual offender verification hosted by the Miami County Sheriff's Office.

- October 11:** Chief Wright and Officer Stemley along with the Fire Division and Milton Union Squad did a safety / vehicle presentation to the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Pre-School.
- October 26:** Chief Wright worked as a member of Rotary at the downtown Halloween Costume Parade. Officers handed out candy to kids out trick or treating.
- November 1:** Officer Kiser read to the kids at the library.
- December 15:** Sergeant Stevens participated in the annual FOP Christmas shopping with needy families at the Meijer's of Troy.

Use of Force & Internal Affairs

2023 USE OF FORCE REPORT

<u>Report #</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Primary Officer</u>	<u>Type of Force</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Findings</u>
23WM00989	03/13/23	Officer Davis	Taser Point	210 Yount Road	In-Compliance
23WM01324	04/08/23	Officer Setters	Physical	36 Teri Drive	In-Compliance
23WM01957	06/03/23	Sgt. Leonard	Physical	1301 S. Miami Street	In-Compliance
23WM02384	07/06/23	Officer Setters	Physical	26 Emerick Road	In-Compliance
23WM02550	07/18/23	Sgt. Ingle	Taser Discharge	1122 S. Main Street	In-Compliance
23WM03390	09/16/23	Sgt. Ingle	Physical	400 Block N. Main Street	In-Compliance
23WM03665	10/07/23	Officer Bunch	Physical	339 S. Miami Street	In-Compliance
23WM03699	10/10/23	Sgt. Ingle	Pursuit	S. Main St. / Market St.	Not In Compliance
23WM04189	11/20/23	Officer Setters	Pursuit	3404 Calumet Road	In-Compliance

2023 Internal Affairs Investigations

<u>IA</u>	<u>Type of Complaint</u>	<u>Date Closed</u>	<u>Findings</u>	<u>Discipline</u>
IA-23-01	Pursuit Violations	November 14, 2023	Sustained	Written Reprimand