







# FORT WAYNE

# POLICE DEPARTMENT





























A Year in Review









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# MISSION STATEMENT

The Fort Wayne Police Department, in partnership with our community, will strive to protect the life, property, and personal liberties of all individuals. We believe that the overall quality of life for all residents will improve through the deterrence of criminal activity and an understanding of the diversity of cultures within this community. Furthermore, we recognize the need for fair and impartial enforcement of the law with attention given to the highest possible quality of service delivery to the community.

# **DEPARTMENT INTRODUCTION**

The City of Fort Wayne is located in northeast Indiana and is the second largest city in the state. The City encompasses an area of about 110.67 square miles with a population of approximately 267,633 people. Fort Wayne's cultural climate is increasingly diverse. Fort Wayne's roots began in 1697 when the French and British built a series of three forts at the confluence of the St. Joseph River, St. Mary's River, and Maumee River near the Miami tribe village of Kekionga. The United States Army built Fort Wayne in 1794 and was named in honor of General "Mad" Anthony Wayne. Fort Wayne was platted in 1823 and experienced a rapid expansion after completion of the Wabash and Erie Canal. The proud tradition of the Fort Wayne Police Department (FWPD) began in 1829 with a single "Village Marshal". That tradition continues today with 480 sworn officers and approximately 62 civilians, the FWPD is led by Police Chief Stephen Reed. The Fort Wayne Police Department is a full-service, highly sophisticated professional agency. Through innovative leadership and dedication to providing quality services, our Department maximizes its resources to provide a high quality work environment. We give our officers the same respect and concern that we expect them to show all citizens with whom they come into contact in the line of duty.

# MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE CHIEF

# Police Chief Stephen R. Reed



Stephen R. Reed was appointed as Chief of Police on August 1, 2016, having first joined the department in 1993. During his career he has held the positions of Assistant Chief, Director of Training at the Fort Wayne Police Academy, Deputy Chief Southwest Division, Captain of Investigative Division, Sergeant of Internal Affairs, Homicide Team Sergeant and Detective. Prior to joining the Fort Wayne Police Department, he served as a patrol officer for the City of Butler Department and as a confinement officer for the DeKalb County Sheriff's Department.

Chief Reed is assisted by Assistant Chief Karl Niblick, Deputy Chief Paul Shrawder of the Southeast and Northeast Quadrants, Deputy Chief Steve Haffner of the Southwest and Northwest Quadrants, Deputy Chief James Feasel of the Investigative Support and Vice & Narcotics Divisions, and Deputy Chief Martin Bender of the Special Operations Division.



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# **COMMAND STAFF**



Stephen R. Reed



Stephen J. Haffner Deputy Chief - Western Quadrants



Paul A. Shrawder Deputy Chief – Eastern Quadrants



**Martin Bender** Deputy Chief – Special Operations



Karl M. Niblick Assistant Chief



James E. Feasel, Jr. Deputy Chief -Investigative Support/ Vice & Narcotics



David P. Nelson Captain - Office of **Professional Standards** 



Shane Lee Captain -Administrative Division



**Derrick Westfield** Captain – Southwest Division



William D. Corn Captain – Southeast Division



Scott Caudill Captain-Northeast Division



**Paul Smith** Captain - Northwest Division



Scott Berning Captain – Special Operations



**Thomas L. Bandor** Captain-Investigative Support Division



**Juan Barrientes** Captain – Training Academy



Kevin C. Hunter Captain – Vice & Narcotics Division



**Matthew Enyeart** Captain-Investigative Support Division



Mitchell McKinney Captain - Community Relations







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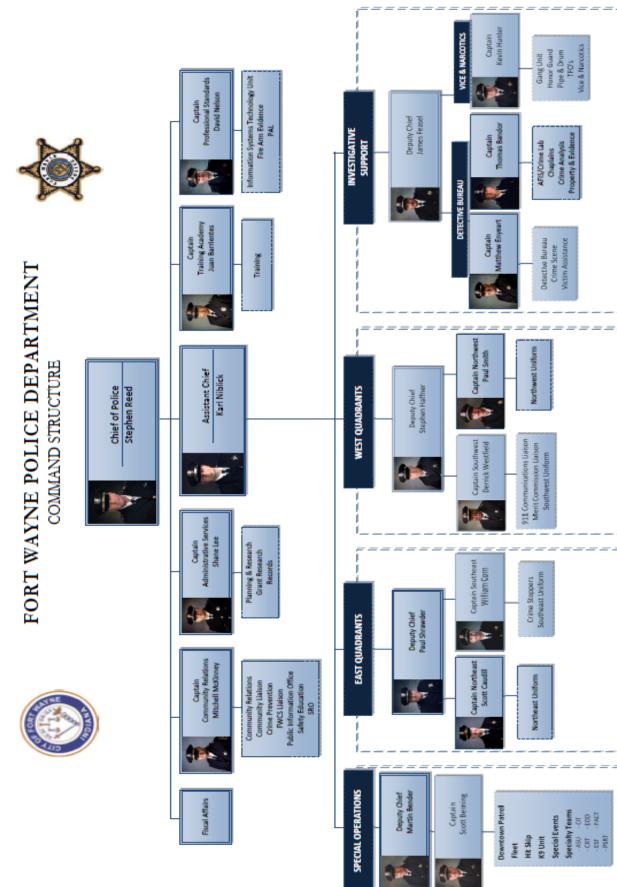
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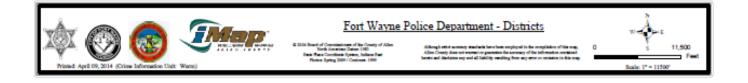




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# DISTRICTS







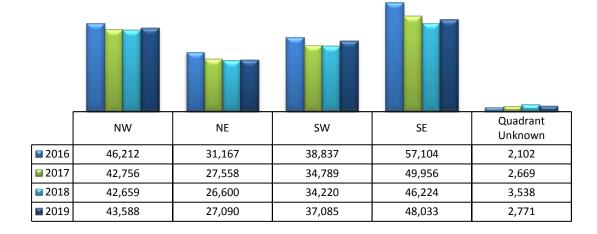
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# CALLS FOR SERVICE AND BUDGET

TOP 10 INCIDENTS (CALLS FOR SERVICE)	
NATURE OF INCIDENT	TOTAL INCIDENTS
Traffic Stop	22,636
Traffic Accident	8,409
Audible Alarm	7,630
Disturbance	7,568
Suspicious	7,264
Domestic Disturbance	6,859
Theft	4,636
Attempt Contact/Check Wellbeing	4,474
Community Oriented Policing	3,928
Unwanted Person	3,635



TOTAL CITY-WIDE CALLS FOR SERVICE



**CALLS FOR SERVICE BY QUADRANT** 

#### SWORN OFFICER (BUDGETED STRENGTH): 473 \$60,000,000 \$50,000,000 \$52,225,830 Wages & Benefits \$40,000,000 Supplies & Materials \$7,850,331 \$30,000,000 \$2,525,960 Other Services \$20,000,000 \$55,000 Capital Outlays \$10,000,000 \$-Supplies & Other Services Capital Outlays Wages & **Benefits** Materials

# 2019 POLICE BUDGET



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# CHIEF'S COMPLEX



Karl Niblick Assistant Chief

In 2019 Assistant Chief Karl Niblick commanded the Chief's Complex. The Complex consists of both civilian and sworn personnel who report directly to the Chief of Police and to the Assistant Chief. Many of these positions include administrative and technical support. The personnel assigned to the Chief's Complex include individuals working for:

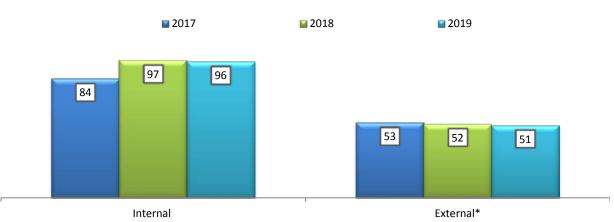
- Office of Professional Standards
  - o Internal Affairs
  - Information Systems & Technology Unit (ISTU)
  - Police Athletic League (PAL)
- Police Training Center
- Fiscal Affairs & Payroll

These dedicated men and women work tirelessly to keep the department running from day to day, so that we may carry out our mission to service the people.

# **OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS**

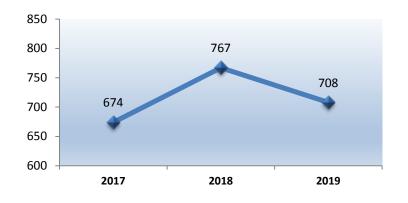
#### **INTERNAL AFFAIRS:**

The Office of Professional Standards, Internal Affairs Unit saw an overall decrease in activity during the 2019 calendar year. Capt. David Nelson commanded the Unit. The caseload was split between the two investigators in the unit, Sgt. Howard Johnson and Sgt. Kurtis Letz. Additionally, the Unit Commander, Investigators along with the office Administrative Assistant, coordinated, monitored and documented monthly drug tests. In all, 516 random drug screens were administered.



#### **3-YEAR COMPARISON OF FORMAL INVESTIGATIONS**

\* Includes torts & lawsuits



#### THREE-YEAR USE OF FORCE COMPARISON

TYPE OF FORCE/NUMBER OF REPORTED APPLICATIONS							
CATEGORY	CATEGORY <u>2017</u> <u>2018</u> <u>2019</u>						
Physical Force	609	785	670				
Chemical Agent	Agent 54		65				
Impact Weapon	5 8		2				
Aimed Firearm	36	366	320				
CED/Taser	105	119	112				
Other/K9/Beanbag	11	8	7				

		3-YEAR COMPARISON OF COMPLAINTS				
	Internal	External	Tort Claims	Lawsuits	EEOC	
2017	84	12	21	19	1	
2018	97	9	22	20	1	
2019	96	15	21	15	0	

2019 EXTERNAL COMPLAINTS BY RACE, SEX AND CATEGORY										
CATEGORY	<u>M/B</u>	<u>M/W</u>	<u>M/H</u>	<u>M/A</u>	<u>F/B</u>	<u>F/W</u>	<u>F/H</u>	<u>F/A</u>	<u>UKN</u>	TOTALS
EEOC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unreasonable Force	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	5
Improper Conduct	1	0	0	0	1	3	1	0	0	6
Investigative Negligence	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Lawsuit	7	4	0	0	2	4	0	0	0	17
Obedience to Dept. Policies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tort Claims	5	7	1	0	2	1	0	0	5	21
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
Totals	15	13	1	0	6	9	2	0	7	53



#### POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE (PAL):



In 2019 enrollments increased in basketball and football. Officers from the Allen County Sheriff's Department and the Fort Wayne Police Department stepped up to assist with coaching in the football program. During the year the USA football certification of coaches was completed again PAL continues to work with the Fort Wayne Juvenile Center to provide community service opportunities for students who have violations of the law. PAL provided youth soccer players an opportunity to practice indoors this year. Unfortunately, a new yoga program added last year did not garner enough participation and was discontinued.

PAL continues to be featured on the FWPD web site for increased exposure of the programs. Goals for 2019 include continued research to find more opportunities to better advertise PAL programs for the youth of our community, continued efforts to extend indoor practice opportunities to youth soccer teams to use the PAL center during inclement weather conditions, and maintaining the programs within the department budget.

PAL PROGRAM ENROLLMENTS					
Program	Enrollment	Staff			
AAU Basketball	323	21			
Coed Basketball	68	8			
Baseball	740	102			
First Aid Certification	104	1			
Football	434	89			
Open Gym	611	19			
Tennis	97	16			
Volleyball	48	4			
Youth Soccer	28	2			
Totals	2,453	262			

#### **INFORMATION SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGY UNIT (ISTU):**

The main responsibility of the ISTU in 2019 continued maintenance integrity of the Spillman system database, a task made more complex in 2019 due to the separation of the application from the underlying operating system. Members of the ISTU also trained both recruit and lateral classes in Spillman, MDC, and digital camera usage. ISTU personnel arranged for and conducted NIBRS training for FWPD officers, an effort that will continue into 2020. The office devoted many hours to developing Motorola Vault for use in disseminating digital evidence to the Allen County Prosecutor's Office. The ISTU also began the Department's transition to the Getac B300 for its in-car computer.

# **POLICE TRAINING CENTER**

In 2019 Captain Juan Barrientes commanded the Training Center. The mission of the Training Division is to provide training for officers of the Fort Wayne Police Department that meets or exceed State of Indiana mandates in training. Pursuant to Indiana Code 5-2-1-9(g), Indiana Police Officers are required to have 24 hours of annual training. At least 2 hours of training must include Firearms, Physical Tactics and Emergency Vehicle Operation (EVO). The Training Division strives to provide relevant and tactically sound training to enhance officer safety and solidify public trust. Additionally, The Fort Wayne Police Department Training Division assesses, selects and trains recruits in basic police training otherwise known as recruit training. During the year the Training Center provided



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training for approximately 480 officers, along with 10 lateral officers and 20 recruits in 2019. All officers who completed training either met or exceeded the state mandate of required in-service training, including topics mandated by the Law Enforcement Training Board (LETB).

The Fort Wayne Police Training Center also serves as a regional academy and host for training of other organizations, including our federal law enforcement partners. In an effort to ensure that members of the Fort Wayne Police Department continue our tradition of excellence, the Training Center diligently staffs a cadre with a variety of subject matter expertise.

2019 TRAINING HOURS*	
Lateral Officer Transfer	2,400
Specialty Teams Training	11,783
In-Services	6,510
Open Mat	51
Open Shoot/Firearms Training	4,137
EVOC (Emergency Vehicle Operations Course)	586
Police One (online)	3,085.25
Re-Entry	68.50
Miscellaneous Training	7,317.75
Total Hours:	35,939.50

\* 24- hours required training must include 2 hours firearms, 2 hours physical tactics/use of force training, and 2 hours police vehicle operation.

#### SIGNIFICANT AND NOTEWORTHY TRAINING HELD IN 2019:

- 64<sup>th</sup> Recruit Class (February-June)
- 20<sup>th</sup> Lateral Class (May-June)
- Department In-Service #1 (January)
- Field Training Officer Course (April)
- Department In-Service #2 (August)
- Department EVO Training (Sept.-Oct.)
- Summer Shoot/Taser Training (July-Aug.)
- Department Fitness Tests (June/Sept.)
- Basic SWAT School (Sept.)

- Bike School (June)
- Procedural Justice-UOF Presentation (Oct.)
- M4 Instructor Course (Aug.)
- High Rick Control Options Course (Nov.)
- Annual Retiree Qualifications (Nov.)
- Winter Shoot (Nov.-Dec.)
- Back-up Gun Qualifications (Dec.)



# **INVESTIGATIVE SUPPORT DIVISION**



James Feasel Deputy Chief Investigative Support Division

In 2019 the Investigative Support Division had a change of leadership with the Retirement of Deputy Chief Garry Hamilton. Deputy Chief James Feasel assumed Command of the Division, in addition to the Narcotics Division, and Lt. Matt Enyeart was promoted to the rank of Captain to handle the day-to-day operation. The Fort Wayne Police Department's Investigative Support Division (ISD) is responsible for conducting felony criminal investigations on incidents that occur within the City of Fort Wayne.

The Division consists of a number of assigned support sections or units that focus on specific or specialized areas of investigating criminal incidents. These include the Detective Bureau, Crime Scene Unit, Crime Lab Unit, Crime Analysis Unit, Victim's Assistance Unit, Street Crimes Unit, and Property and Evidence Room. Included within this report are the individual summaries from the supervisors and managers for the various sections and units within the ISD.

Homicide and Violent Crime Rates in 2019 continued to be significant issues for the City, Police Department, and especially for the Investigative Support Division. Homicides have gone down from 46 in 2018 to 29 in 2019 resulting in a decrease of 37%. A large percentage of the homicides in 2019 continue to

involve street level gangs and narcotics. Domestic related homicides continue to be the smallest percentage. The clearance rate for homicides committed was up from 54% in 2018 to 79% in 2019.

In 2019 reported Residential Burglaries continued to go down from 950 in 2018 to 910 in 2019 resulting in a decrease of 4%. Of those reported, there were 552 actual confirmed burglaries in 2018 compared to 319 in 2019. This was a decrease of 42%. This reduction is in part due to the diligent work of our Crime Suppression Detectives, Property Crimes Detectives, and Uniform Street Crimes Detectives. The Robbery Division also saw a significant increase of investigations. Cases assigned to the Division increased 20% from 343 in 2018 to 430 in 2019. Of those cases assigned, 205 of them were robberies in 2018 compared to 272 in 2019. This was an increase of 33%.

# **DETECTIVE BUREAU**

#### **HOMICIDE SECTION:**

The Homicide Section of the Fort Wayne Police Department is supervised by Detective Sergeant Tim Hughes and is staffed with eight investigators, who are all required to be on-call. In 2019 an additional investigator was added to the unit. During the year the section was assigned 217 cases. The Homicide Section is responsible for investigating all deaths or near deaths that appear to be suspicious in nature and all batteries by the use of a firearm. The Cold Case/Missing Person Section has one investigator, who reviews all missing persons and endangered runaways along with Cold Case Homicides. Investigators in these sections do and must work well with outside agencies such as the Allen County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, Indiana State Police, Allen County Police Department, Allen County Coroner's Office, Department of Child Services, FBI, DEA, NCMEC, and ATF.

The following is homicide data for 2019:

- 23 total homicides cleared/closed (79% overall clearance rate)
- 3 homicides ruled self-defense/no charges
- 4 homicide cases cleared/currently pending review by prosecutor
- 2 homicides cleared by exceptional means/suspect deceased
- 14 homicides cleared by arrest (48% cleared by arrest/charges filed)
- 14 people arrested and charged in 2019
  - o 2 people were charged in 2019 for homicides from previous years
  - 4 people were arrested and charged with Attempted Murder
- 6 homicides still active (20%)



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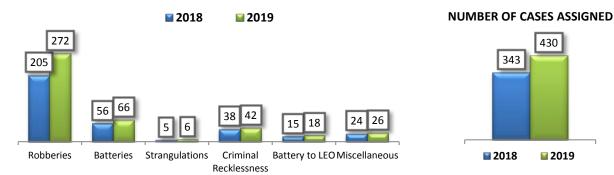
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	2019	2018	2017	2016
Total Homicide Victims	29	46	37	47
Northwest	3	14	10	3
Northeast	4	2	4	3
Southwest	3	5	3	4
Other Cases	14	56	62	15
Battery by Firearm	88	91	75	90
Cold Cases Reviewed	3	7	18	30
Missing Adults	83	74	98	41
Total Cases Assigned	217	274	290	223

#### **ROBBERY SECTION:**

The Robbery Division of the Fort Wayne Police Department is supervised by Detective Sergeant Kenneth Clement and consists of eight Detectives. The Robbery Division primary responsibilities include responding to all robberies, which occur during shift hours as well as Criminal Recklessness, Felony Batteries (other than Domestic) that occur on shift. They are also tasked with the follow up investigations on all Robberies, Felony Batteries (other than Domestic) and Criminal Recklessness cases which occurred previously and assisting detectives in the Homicide Division. The Robbery Division still responds to, investigates all bank robberies that occur within the city jurisdiction, and works in conjunction with the FBI in solving these crimes. In 2019 all Detectives received in-car lap top computers with iRecord. This has aided the section immensely, allowing them to document field interviews and the showing of photo arrays.

There were 357 reported robberies in 2019 compared to the 307 in 2018. The Robbery Division was assigned 430 cases for the 2019 calendar year, up from the 343 assigned cases in 2018. Cases are assigned based on solvability factors. The investigations are classified as follows:



#### **CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS SECTION:**

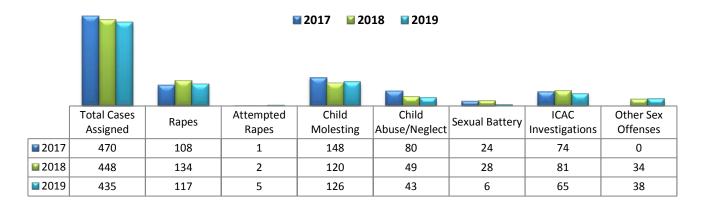
The Crimes against Persons Section (CAP) of the Investigative Support Division (ISD) is supervised by Detective Sergeant Todd Battershell and is staffed with (8) detectives who investigate felony cases that occurred inside the Fort Wayne city limits. The type of crimes investigated by CAP Detectives include rapes, sexual battery, child molesting, sexual misconduct with minors, child abuse, child neglect, voyeurism, stalking, and battery to elderly persons or persons with developmental delays. Many of these crimes are reported to the CAP Section of the ISD by outside agencies due to a delay in reporting by the victim. In addition, the CAP Section of the ISD also investigates Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC). These types of investigations include child internet predators, child pornography, child exploitation, and child solicitation.

CAP Detectives work on cases that are very sensitive in nature. They must possess strong interview and interpersonal skills, investigative knowledge, and ethics. Detectives in the CAP Section of the ISD must also have



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the ability to work well with outside agencies, such as the Department of Child Services, Allen County Prosecutors Office, Adult Protective Services, Sexual Assault Treatment Center, Center for Children, Indiana State Police, National Missing and Exploited Children, Federal Bureau of Investigations, and other law enforcement agencies. The table below represents the 2018 statistical information for the CAP Section of the ISD.



#### **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SECTION:**

The Domestic Violence (D.V.) Investigative Section was formed in 2004 using a Department of Justice grant to increase response and prosecution of domestic violence cases. The section works felony cases between adults with most cases having multiple charges (which may also include misdemeanors) and is supervised by Detective Sergeant Phyllis Barkley.

The D.V. Section is partially funded by a STOP grant from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute that helps supplement the Police Departments personnel costs, as well as a Victims Advocate position that is assigned to the Victims Assistance Unit. There continues to be changes to the Indiana domestic laws. This year having a previous strangulation conviction to any victim increased the level of the domestic battery charge. If there was no prior conviction for domestic battery but there was a prior strangulation conviction to any victim, the misdemeanor is elevated to a felony. If there is already a prior battery, or domestic battery conviction, the charge is then elevated to a higher-level felony charge.

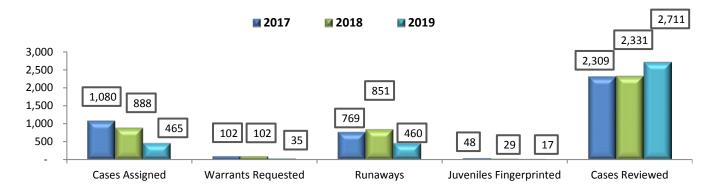
There continues to be repeat cases to the same victim and with victims who are recanting and refusing to provide information needed to pursue charges. Domestic/family violence dynamics are always difficult to investigate and pursue as family issues, along with victims and witnesses who are afraid of the retaliation from the suspects. Victims also fear losing their partners, their incomes and their children. Most often these crimes occur inside out of public view so lack of on- scene witnesses will hamper prosecution. The laws and procedures are constantly changing making it difficult to prosecute and hold offenders accountable. With the influx of social media, there are more and more requirements of forensics to prosecute. Cases can be long and drawn out before detectives can proceed with filing for charges.





#### **JUVENILE CRIMES SECTION:**

Detective Sergeant Michael Randolph retired in 2019; Detective Sergeant Mark Brooks now supervises the section. The Juvenile Aid Division (JAD) is responsible for investigating crimes which involve individuals (17) years of age and younger. The section is also responsible for the investigating of juvenile runaways and custodial interference investigations along with property crimes, sex crimes, crimes against persons and crimes that occur in the school setting. The juvenile system in the United State differs vastly from the adult criminal justice system. There are additional procedures and differently terminology used. The juvenile section is currently staffed with (1) supervisor and (4) detectives. Light duty officers have been utilized to assist with the Runaway caseload.



#### **FINANCIAL CRIMES SECTION:**

Detective Sergeant Cleophus Jones supervises the Financial Crimes Section. The section is responsible for insufficient funds checks over \$750.00. Counterfeit checks, forged stolen checks and other types of forged documents, credit card fraud and fraud on financial institutions, identity theft, insurance fraud, utility fraud, counterfeit currency, and power of attorney illegally obtained from Adult Protective Services, and a variety of frauds and computer related crimes.

The Section's cases, by their nature, often entail meticulous details and paperwork detailing financial records. Due to the new Privacy Act, which delays the time in which they can obtain Information, sending out Fraud Packets allows victims to get information quicker and allows cases to be processed much faster than having to obtain a subpoena. Additionally, sending out Fraud Packets to all victims will have the victims more actively involved in solving their own cases. Cases are reviewed on an individual basis. Since the implementation of the Fraud Packet, the number of assigned cases per detective has been streamlined.



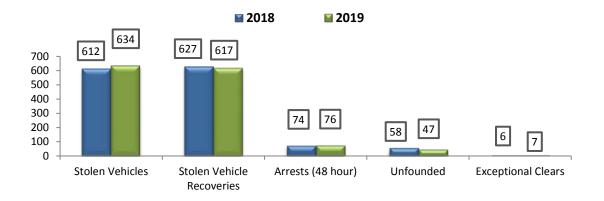


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#### **AUTO-THEFT SECTION:**

The Fort Wayne Police Department's Auto Theft Section is a subsection of the Investigative Support Division's Property Crimes Section; the area is supervised by Detective Sergeant Joe Hontz and is staffed with (2) detectives. Although much of their work goes unnoticed, they play an important role in the Investigative Support Division. Their duties go far beyond investigating stolen vehicle cases. In addition to stolen vehicles, they also investigate the theft of trailers, ATVs, lawnmowers, construction equipment and vehicle parts. They are often called upon for information regarding vehicles involved in other crimes or civil issues. Much of the Auto Theft Detectives time is spent working with records and the tow lots on vehicles that have been towed by the Department for various reasons. They also conduct vehicle inspections; work with the Attorney General's Office in policing the dealerships and answer questions from uniform officers, as well as officers from other area agencies. The nature of their investigations puts them in touch with police agencies from all over the United States and at times from other countries.

Auto thefts have increased the last three years in a row. Several factors are likely responsible, one of which is it appears that people leaving their keys in their vehicle and the vehicle unlocked or leaving it running to warm up is becoming more common. Perhaps some Public Service Announcements or educational opportunities to make the public aware would help. The other is the number of stolen vehicle reports being filed that should actually be "Attempt to Locate" reports. In the coming year the Auto Theft Section will work on putting some guidelines out to officers to help them determine which of these reports is appropriate.



#### **PROPERTY CRIMES SECTION:**

Detective Sergeant Carl Moore retired in 2019; Detective Sergeant Ben Truesdale now supervises the section. The Property Crimes Section is responsible for investigating felony property crimes such as burglary, felony theft, employee theft, and possession of stolen property. The section is divided into two areas (East/West).

NORTHEAST	2017	2018	2019
Reported Residential Burglaries	165	122	107
Actual Determined House Burglaries	67	72	55
Reported Business Burglaries	31	20	22
Actual Determined Business Burglaries	19	16	11
SOUTHEAST	2017	2018	2019
Reported Residential Burglaries	401	344	344
Actual Determined House Burglaries	247	219	96
Reported Business Burglaries	62	24	40
Actual Determined Business Burglaries	360	20	28

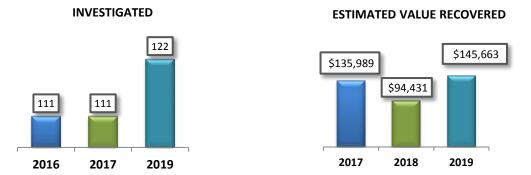


NORTHWEST	2017	2018	2019
Reported Residential Burglaries	239	204	179
Actual Determined House Burglaries	128	122	86
Reported Business Burglaries	51	51	46
Actual Determined Business Burglaries	32	33	23
SOUTHWEST/ABOITE	2017	2018	2019
Reported Residential Burglaries	286	280	218
Actual Determined House Burglaries	154	139	82
Reported Business Burglaries	54	48	39
Actual Determined Business Burglaries	33	35	20

#### **PAWN DETAIL UNIT:**

The Pawn Detail is a part of the Property Crimes Section of the Investigative Support Division of the Fort Wayne Police Department. It is supervised by Detective Sergeant Joe Hontz and is staffed full time by a single detective. The responsibilities of this detail include the recovery of stolen property at pawnshops and jewelry stores that purchase items from the public and are subject to City Ordinance 115. Further, this detail is responsible for maintaining the local "Known Offenders" list, and coordinating with local businesses to ensure that they comply with City Ordinance 115. For 2018, no businesses in Fort Wayne were cited for violating City Ordinance 115.

The Pawn Detail detective primarily conducts preliminary investigations for the Property Crimes Section involving recovered property taken in thefts/burglary investigations. The detectives conduct all of the background work and prepare a case report, freeing the follow-up detective to concentrate on locating the suspect. For the year 2019, The Pawn Detail handled a total of (122) pawn-related cases. For that period, the Pawn Detail recovered property that was estimated to be \$145,663.00 in value and has recovered property that has been estimated to be \$1,236,349.00 in value since 2011. The Pawn Detail detective continues to strive to maintain a positive working relationship between the Fort Wayne Police Department and local businesses that are governed by the Pawn Detail. That positive relationship has led to numerous tips from those businesses that have proven to be beneficial in criminal investigations conducted by the Fort Wayne Police Department.



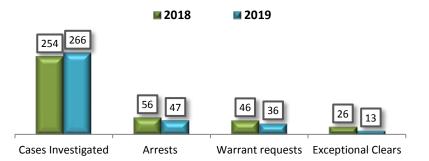
#### **CRIME SUPPRESSION UNIT:**

The Crime Suppression Unit was implemented in January 2008 and is supervised by Detective Sergeant Joe Hontz. The Crime Suppression Unit tracks the burglaries citywide and to look for patterns and similarities. They also identify individuals suspected of perpetrating numerous burglaries and other felony property crimes. The detectives are tasked with thoroughly investigating the cases that fall into these categories until an arrest is made, or all investigative resources are exhausted The Detectives assigned to the Crime Suppression Unit are encouraged the work together on cases and to work with uniform and other detectives in the property crimes section. There



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are (4) detectives assigned to the Unit. Their primary responsibility is to investigate burglaries, but may also work other felony theft cases, as well as battery to law enforcement, domestic battery, rape, robbery, fraud, felony trespass, felony fleeing, felony criminal mischief and a non-fatal shooting.



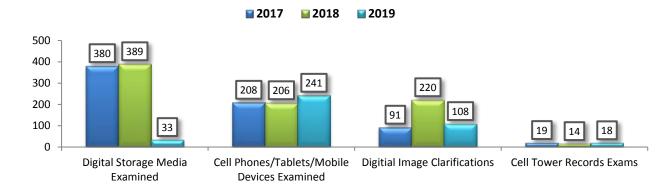
There has been an increase in business burglaries with (148) reported in 2019 versus (124) reported in 2018. This is something the Crime Suppression Unit has been attempting to address. The unit has not only been aggressively investigating these burglaries but also sharing information with other agencies with the hope of developing additional information to make an arrest.

The Crime Suppression Unit has been a part of the Investigative Support Division for the last twelve years. In 2008 there were 2,076 burglaries in Fort Wayne that were coded as residential burglaries. In 2019 there were 848 burglaries in Fort Wayne that were coded as residential burglaries. Residential burglaries have declined for the past three years in a row and have trended downwards nine out of the last twelve years. The Crime Suppression Unit has played a significant role in the reduction of residential burglaries in Fort Wayne and it is our goal to see that this trend continues.

#### **DIGITAL FORENSICS SECTION:**

The Digital Forensics Laboratory is supervised by Detective Sergeant Mark Brooks and conducts the examination of any electronic media evidence and analysis. This is typically, but not limited to: computer hard drives, memory cards, CDs, DVD's, cell phones, digital cameras, and video surveillance systems. The Unit also performs cell phone records analysis. The Unit began the year with (4) full time examiners (3 on 1<sup>st</sup> shift, 1 on 2<sup>nd</sup> shift). The Unit applied for the Coverdale Grant for 2019 and was successfully awarded. This allowed the section to add a fifth examiner in October. Examiners were selected for the exempt positions and not by seniority. The grant also covered the purchase of two Talino Forensic Processing Computers.

Cell phone and tablet examinations are increasing every year, along with digital video surveillance enhancements, the size of the storage media being examined is increasing exponentially. This increases the time required to process the data. At the beginning of 2019, the unit was backlogged twenty-one (21) cases of varying complexity. By July, the backlog was eliminated. This reduces the turnaround time for the unit to be able to process requests for assistance on cases.





#### **B-SHIFT INVESTIGATIVE SECTION:**

This section of the Investigative Support Division is responsible for conducting investigations into felony crimes occurring during the late afternoon and evening hours. The Section is supervised by Detective Sergeants John Shank and Shane Hopkins, and staffed with nine detectives. The B-Shift Investigative Support Division also has tenth detective assigned to it that performs forensic data recovery. When apprehensions are made, the detectives compile and complete the necessary paperwork and conduct the suspect/witness interviews that are required for the appropriate felony charges. B-Shift detectives also respond and investigate crimes with no apprehensions as a "preliminary investigation" which is then actually assigned for a follow up investigation by an A-Shift ISD detective. B-Shift ISD was up 81 cases in 2019 from 619 investigated in 2018. 48-hr cases were actually down slightly from 357 in 2018 to 342 in 2019. Preliminary Cases were up to 358 in 2019 from 262 in 2018. Domestic Violence related cases up 4% in 2019 with 205 compared to 197 in 2018 and Armed Robbery cases were up 51% in 2019 with 103 compared to 68 in 2018.

STATISTICS	2018	2019
Cases Assigned	619	700
Preliminary Cases	262	358
On-Site Arrests (48 hour)	357	342

#### **C-SHIFT INVESTIGATIVE SECTION:**

This section is supervised by Detective Sergeant William Michales and is staffed with six detectives. They are responsible for conducting investigations into felony crimes occurring during the hours of 11:00 PM-7:30 AM. The detectives investigate crimes against persons, which include robberies, batteries, rapes, shootings, and stabbings. The detectives also respond to felony property crimes when there is an apprehension, such as burglary, residential entry, trespassing, forgery, counterfeiting, auto theft, and weapon offenses. The C-shift Investigative Section only conducts preliminary investigations. C-shift detectives are often able to complete the scene canvas and the interviewing of non-direct witnesses, which frees up the homicide detectives to focus their efforts on the most involved portions of the investigation.

STATISTICS	2017	2018	2019
Cases Assigned	526	596	529
On-site Arrests (48 hours)	256	326	300

#### **STREET CRIMES UNIT**

The Street Crimes Unit (SCU) of the Fort Wayne Police Department started its operation in January of 2017. The SCU is supervised by Detective Sergeant John Shank and is staffed with five detectives. The SCU addresses crimes that are being committed by the same criminals on a daily, weekly or monthly basis, either individually or as a group. The SCU gathers all the needed documentation and witness statements to assemble a case against these individuals. The SCU detectives also look for patterns where there may two or more people operating together as a team or a group and get the appropriate charges filed against the entire group as a whole and not just the individuals.

The SCU has had success prosecuting by working closely with the Allen County Prosecutor's Office, local retailers, as well as other federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies. In 2019 the SCU successfully assembled 340% more "Corrupt Business Influence" cases than in 2018. Each CBI case in 2018, and all of the 2019 cases, which have been adjudicated through the courts, were successfully prosecuted with convictions.

STATISTICS	2017	2018	2019
Total Arrests (48 hours)	240	351	446
Corrupt Business Influence Cases	2	5	17
Total Investigations	N/A	1,355	1,803



# LABORATORY SERVICES (CRIME LAB)

The Fort Wayne Police Laboratory (FWPL) is Supervised by Eric Black and maintained by three civilian employees. The Crime Lab is responsible for conducting forensic examinations on evidence collected and submitted from various crime scenes including, but not limited to: latent fingerprint and palm print evidence, footwear, tire/track, postmortem fingerprints and other physical comparison for supporting the department in criminal investigations.

STATISTICS BY DIVISION	2017	2018	2019
Detective Bureau	1	3	6
Southeast Quadrant	116	71	51
Southwest Quadrant	57	54	30
Northeast Quadrant	43	17	15
Northwest Quadrant	53	35	28
Outside Agencies	22	12	17
Crime Scene	19	23	19
Latent Print Submissions	326	260	199
Fingerprint Identifications	206	150	175
Juveniles Printed	48	29	17
Total Cases	842	702	608

### **CRIME SCENE MANAGEMENT UNIT**

The Crime Scene Management Unit is supervised by Detective Sergeants Mark Dolezal and Tim Vachon and staffed with nine technicians. They are responsible for the proper documentation, preservation and collection of items of potential evidence for major felony crimes that occur within the City of Fort Wayne. The Crime Scene Management section of the Fort Wayne Police Department strives to have individuals trained in the latest methods of documentation, preservation and collection of evidentiary items. The technicians comprising the Crime Scene Management section should be capable of processing any scene in a competent and professional manner while participating fully in the Fort Wayne Police Departments Community Oriented Policing philosophy.

The following numbers indicate the number of technicians that responded to an investigation. Since more than one technician may respond to any given investigation, the numbers do not represent the actual number of particular crimes.

TECHNICIAN RESPONSES	2018	2019
Homicides	106	62
Suicide	36	44
Accidental Death	11	9
Other Death (Natural and SIDS)	33	36
Total Death Responses	186	151
Other Investigations	197	178



#### VICTIMS ASSISTANCE UNIT



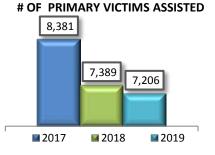
The Victims Assistance (VA) program provides comprehensive crime victim services to the City of Fort Wayne and surrounding communities. Advocates and volunteers passionately work to provide information to crime victims to reduce re-victimization as victims navigate through the criminal justice system. Primary and secondary crime victims receive direct services to help stabilize their lives and meet their immediate needs. The outreach program initiates contact to inform victims about available services and their rights as crime victims and survivors. Victim's Assistance collaborates with a number of community and state agencies to provide training,

community events and projects developed to address the emotional, physical, financial, social, spiritual, and cultural needs of crime victims.

For the 2019 year, the office provided services to 7,206 primary victims and 1,988 secondary victims. In addition, the office coordinates several events during the year: Diamonds & Denim, Rise up Against Domestic Violence, Candlelight Vigil, Santa's Workshop, and the Book Bag Giveaway to increase community involvement and bring awareness on victims' rights. Furthermore, the office has collaborated with Fort Wayne United to establish Meals 4 Healing with local churches in the community to provide meals to those families who have experienced a homicide of a loved one. Finally, the VA, in partnership with the Homicide Unit of FWPD, created *After the Yellow Tape* video series. Each video highlights a homicide case that is still missing that one piece of important information to bring justice to the surviving family.

#### TYPES OF CRIME VICTIMS ASSISTANCE HANDLES:

- Child Abuse
- Molest
- Homicide
- Domestic
- Sexual Assault
- DUI (Death or Injury)
- Robbery
- Assault
- Other (includes suicide, threats, stalking, arson, fraud, property, elder abuse, etc.)

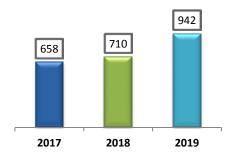


#### **EVIDENCE/PROPERTY ROOM**

The Evidence and Property Room's responsibilities are to ensure all evidence collected and turned in is in accordance to the Fort Wayne Police Department's policies and procedures. The Unit is responsible for maintaining the integrity of evidence by ensuring the proper handling, coding and storage of evidence to assist in investigations, prosecutions and the return of property to its rightful owner.

MAIN EVIDENCE ROOM STATISTICS	2017	2018	2019
Evidence Taken into Storage	14,965	14,902	15,804
Firearms Taken into Storage	642	710	942
ATF Traces Completed	606	672	812
IBIS Tested Firearms	408	416	599
IBIS Tested Shell Casings	716	585	539
Total Firearms Destroyed	0	0	659
Firearms Released to Owner	134	231	198
Total Items Destroyed (not firearms)	1,312	1,803	1,184
Total Items Purged (not firearms)	1,409	1,529	8,050







# **CRIME ANALYSIS**

The Crime Analysis Unit is responsible to review felony and misdemeanor reports for data accuracy, crime information and patterns. If a pattern or trend is identified, it is assessed developing maps and datasets and then forwarded to the appropriate quadrant commanders and/or to the Investigative Support Division section commanders. Statistical information is compiled and forwarded to the FBI-UCR using their summary based electronic format system of reporting.

The Unit reviews daily crime reports, hosts weekly Comstat meetings, prepares daily incident summary, prepares a weekly active warrant report, and monthly statistical reports for police commanders. Additional assignments include:

- Prepares Clery Act security reports, (a federal requirement for all colleges and universities) for the local colleges and universities within Fort Wayne;
- Provides calls for service statistics to individuals for relocation purposes;
- Provides certain incident reports to the State Health Department on death incidents;
- Provides monthly calls for service reports to private business' and Fort Wayne Community Schools; and
- Provides other statistical data to the Fort Wayne Journal Gazette, Comstat (weekly crimes meeting), and media, as needed.

#### **CRIME STOPPERS**



The Greater Fort Wayne Crime Stoppers is a non-profit organization that offers cash rewards and anonymity for tips that lead to an arrest. It is part of a national organization, but is operated by a Board of Directors consisting of local citizens with the cooperation of City and County law enforcement, covering ten Indiana counties and three Ohio counties. Crime Stoppers maintains a 1-800 tip line, local tip line, website and Facebook page. In 2019 the Crime Stoppers Office had a very good year and received over 1,600 tips for Fort Wayne and the surrounding Northeast Indiana area. Goals achieved include hiring a part-time employee position and increasing its social media accessibility.

CRIME STOPPERS STATISTICS	2017	2018	2019
Total Tips	887	1,054	1,603
Felony Charges	270	237	264
Misdemeanor Charges	188	274	215

#### POLICE CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM

Police Chaplaincy is a ministry of compassion, presence, and prayer set within the dangerous world of law enforcement. Police Chaplains serve the officers and civilian personnel of the police department and the community in which they live. They provide emergency counseling to those in crisis, make death notifications with compassion, pray with those who are in trouble, and provide a compassionate presence to those in grief. While the work of the Police Chaplain is sometimes difficult and taxing, the satisfaction gained by ministering to those in the worst possible situations is reward in and of itself. Chaplain Richard Hartman serves as the Lead Chaplain for the department. Nine active chaplains currently volunteer their assistance.



# **VICE & NARCOTICS DIVISION**



**James Feasel Deputy Chief** Vice & Narcotics

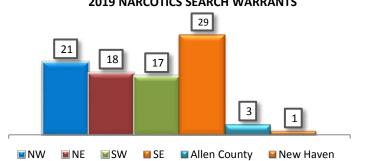
Deputy Chief James Feasel commanded the Narcotics Division in 2019. During the year the Narcotics Division focused on several major areas of enforcement including; long term investigations, highway and parcel interdictions, partnership with Allen County HIDTA, chronic problem properties, overdose trends, education and training for various citizens groups, and local street gangs and violent criminal activity. We saw an increase in seizures of Powder Cocaine, Methamphetamine, THC Wax/ Dap, THC Cartridges, LSD/Mushrooms, and Misc. Pills. The total number of non-fatal overdoses decreased 22% for 2019 with 834 compared to 1074 in 2018. The total number of drug poisoning deaths, however, increased 61% in 2019 with 135 compared to 104 in 2018. In addition, there are currently 35 fatal overdoses pending toxicology. The enforcement of the Chronic Problem Property Ordinance continued in 2019 resulting in a total of 476 hotel owner and owner/ manager initiated calls for service. In total, there were 2,360 general calls for service at suspected chronic problem properties for 2019.

The Narcotics Division continues our partnerships with the Federal, State, County and other local Law Enforcement Agencies. The Division initiated and completed a two-year investigation involving narcotics trafficking and was assisted by the FBI

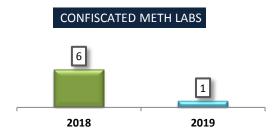
Safe Streets Task Force. As a result of this of this ongoing long-term investigation 1,458,221.0 grams of illegal narcotics, 107 firearms, 6,000 fentanyl base pills, 5,000 THC vaping cartridges, and approximately \$1,000,000.00 in U.S. currency was recovered. In addition, 28 arrests were made nationwide. From April through October of 2019 the Gang and Violent Crimes Unit conducted the Violent Crime Interdiction Detail involving multiple agencies for the second straight year. Our efforts were directed in high crime areas throughout the entire City based on criminal intelligence obtained regarding violent criminal activity in those areas. With the large number of homicides that had occurred in the City for 2018 being a consideration, the focus of the detail was to concentrate on the areas that were most affected by this violence again resulting in no reported fatal shootings or other types of homicides during the course of this detail.

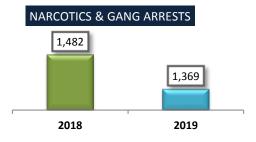
In addition to our enforcement efforts, the Division also focuses on narcotics addiction, treatment and recovery. Our partnerships with the Lutheran Foundation, Allen County Department of Health, Mental Health America, and Allen County Drug and Alcohol Consortium have assisted in creating the Mayor's Opioid Symposium, Fort Wayne/Allen County Task Force for Opioid Strategic Planning, Regional Mental Health Coalition/Leadership Council, Overdose Fatality Review Team, and FWPD Naloxone Program. In addition, we received grant money from the Lutheran Foundation to start the Hope and Recovery Team which involves two plain clothes Detectives going out and following up with people who have recently overdosed. These two Detectives work with Peer Recovery Coaches from Parkview Hospital to connect overdose victims to treatment services. The initial program has been a success and will continue in the upcoming year.

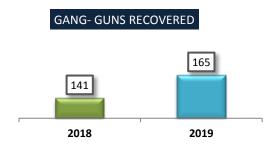
In 2019 the Division also was able to obtain new drug testing equipment from extra tax money dedicated to combat the opioid crisis. The new devices will allow immediate results after resting. The equipment will be extremely instrumental in aiding the division in getting ahead of new drug trends.

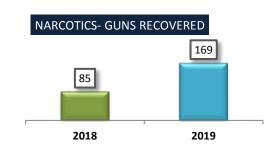


**2019 NARCOTICS SEARCH WARRANTS** 









PERFORMANCE INDICATORS			
CONFISCATED- GRAMS	2017	2018	2019
Cocaine-Crack	692.31	1,081.00	355.62
Cocaine-Powder	724.15	378.43	761.75
Marijuana	44,903.50	139,209.50	29,186.10
Marijuana Synthetic	6,892.80	3,284.80	1,109.60
THC-Edibles	12,012	753.70	428
THC-Wax/Dap	1,298.60	361.50	3,400
THC Cartridges	0	0	1,177
Heroin	711.44	1,589.80	341.80
Fentanyl	1,504.40	831.50	423
Methamphetamine	2,156.20	2,984	6,479
Ecstasy/MDMA	131.90	71.30	63
Miscellaneous Pills	3,597	5,461	6,123
LSD/Mushrooms	74.50	168.20	228
Totals	76,715.80	158,192.73	52,094.87

MISCELLANEOUS INDICATORS					
OTHER	2017 2018 2019				
Overdoses	12,00	1,074	834		
Overdose Deaths	126 104 139*				
Human Trafficking Cases	uman Trafficking Cases 13 34 2				
*3 fatal overdoses are pending toxicology					



#### PIPE AND DRUM BRIGADE



During 2019 the Pipe & Drum Brigade provided services at 20 events. These events included the Line of Duty Funeral of Indiana State Police Trooper Stephan, the Active Duty Funeral of the Winona Lake Fire Chief, and the Active Duty Funeral of one of our own. The Brigade also provided services at the Line of Duty Funeral of Whitley County K9 Cas. The Brigade provided services at five retiree funerals during 2019. In May the Brigade traveled to Washington, D.C. during National Police Week where it participated in ceremonies honoring FWPD Officer David Tinsley and ACPD Officer Joseph Cox. In November the Brigade participated in ceremonies honoring veterans at four of our local schools.

During 2020 the Brigade will continue its efforts to recruit from within the FWPD. The Brigade currently sits at 12 members with the addition of a new piper during 2019. The Brigade will work to expand its playlist this year in order to allow more flexibility in massed bands at line of duty funerals. The Brigade looks forward to serving fellow officers and the community anywhere the sound of pipes and drums might heighten the sense of honor and importance of a ceremony.

#### **HONOR GUARD**



replace worn out ones.

2019 was an active year for the Honor Guard. Between the regularly scheduled training, parades, and special events, combined with the funeral details of both active and retired officers from the department (as well as other agencies) the Unit was called upon to performs it's duties on a regular basis. This year the Honor Guard completed 37 commitments and represented a positive image for the Unit and the Department. The successful completion of each detail was made possible by the combined efforts of each team member. New equipment was purchased for (4) officers. During the year (3) members stepped down from the team, leaving the Honor Guard with (18) members.

In 2019 a large number of members attended two memorials for Officer David Tinsley. One occurred during the National Police Week Ceremonies in Washington, DC where Officer Tinsley's name was placed on the Fallen Officers Memorial Wall and the 2<sup>nd</sup> occurred in Indianapolis at the Indiana Law Enforcement Memorial. In 2020 the team hopes to fill the (3) open positions and to purchase new uniforms to





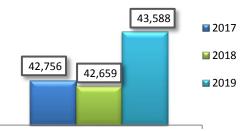
WESTERN QUADRANTS

In 2019 the Western Quadrants were commanded by Deputy Chief Stephen Haffner and Captains Paul Smith (Northwest) and Derrick Westfield (Southwest).

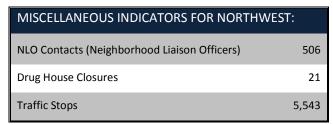
The Quadrant consists of Northwest Operations and Southwest Operations. The Northwest Quadrant provides police service to approximately 70,836 citizens and covers 34.5 square miles of territory. In 2019 the Northwest Division had 43,588 calls for service compared to 42,659 in 2018. This was an increase of 2.18%. The Division ended the year with an overall increase in crime (11.77%).

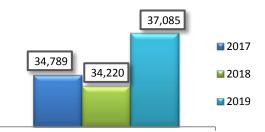
The Southwest Quadrant serves roughly 77,018 residents and covers 34.6 square miles of territory. During the year there were 37,085 calls for service compared to 34,220 in 2018. This was an increase of 8.37%. The Division ended the year with an overall increase in crime (6.65%).

Stephen Haffner Deputy Chief Western Quadrants



NORTHWEST CALLS FOR SERVICE





SOUTHWEST CALLS FOR SERVICE

MISCELLANEOUS INDICATORS FOR SOUTHWEST:	
NLO Contacts (Neighborhood Liaison Officers)	506
Drug House Closures	17
Traffic Stops 5	5,543

NORTHWEST PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:			
CRIME	2017	2018	2019
Homicide	10	14	2
Rape	30	30	32
Robbery	70	64	79
Aggravated Assault	96	106	91
Burglary	288	231	222
Larceny	2,092	1,727	2,012
Vehicle Theft	135	159	173
Arson	10	11	9
Human Trafficking	1	2	0
Total	2,732	2,344	2,620

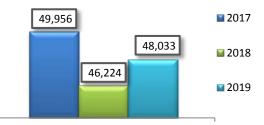
SOUTHWEST PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:				
CRIME	2017	2018	2019	
Homicide	3	4	4	
Rape	23	22	20	
Robbery	67	65	79	
Aggravated Assault	81	88	82	
Burglary	363	305	255	
Larceny	1,537	1,152	1,338	
Vehicle Theft	150	132	108	
Arson	14	6	7	
Human Trafficking	0	1	0	
Total	2,238	1,775	1,893	



# **EASTERN QUADRANTS**



**Paul Shrawder Deputy Chief** Eastern Quadrants



SOUTHEAST CALLS FOR SERVICE

NLO Contacts (Neighborhood Liaison Officers)

**Drug House Closures** 

Traffic Stops

MISCELLANEOUS INDICATORS FOR SOUTHEAST:

In 2019 the Eastern Quadrant was commanded by Deputy Chief Paul Shrawder and Captains William Corn (Southeast) and Scott Caudill (Northeast).

The Southeast Quadrant provides police service to approximately 48,205 citizens and covers 17.5 square miles of the City's total 110.36 miles. In 2019 the Southeast Division had 48,033 calls for service compared to 46,224 in 2018. This was an increase of 3.91%. The Division ended the year with an overall increase in crime (2.26%). While there was an increase, there was a notable decrease of reported aggravated assaults. Overall the SE quadrant receives more calls for service than the other quadrants in the City,

The Northeast Quadrant serves roughly 67,993 residents and covers 33.36 square miles of territory. In 2019 there were 27,090 calls for service, which is approximately 1.84% increase from 2018. The guadrant consists of Northeast Operations. The Division ended the year with an overall increase in crime (15.05%). Most notable was the increase in robberies, both to individuals and businesses. There was a notable decrease in aggravated assaults in 2019.

SOUTHEAST PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:			
CRIME	2017	2018	2019
Homicide	20	22	16
Rape	42	44	48
Robbery	119	135	136
Aggravated Assault	229	255	206
Burglary	461	337	383
Larceny	1,842	1,391	1,402
Vehicle Theft	179	187	223
Arson	30	18	28
Human Trafficking	0	0	0
Total	2,922	2,389	2,442

		27,090	
	26,600	27,050	2017
24,572			<b>2018</b>
			2019

#### NORTHEAST CALLS FOR SERVICE

MISCELLANEOUS INDICATORS FOR NORTHEAST:	
NLO Contacts (Neighborhood Liaison Officers)	738
Drug House Closures	18
Traffic Stops	3,385

Total	2,922	2,389	
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CRIME	2017	2018	2019
Homicide	4	1	4
Rape	17	22	29
Robbery	37	34	60
Aggravated Assault	60	73	56
Burglary	196	129	129
Larceny	1,046	849	1,011
Vehicle Theft	63	63	60
Arson	40	5	4
Human Trafficking	0	0	0
Total	1,463	1,176	1,353

# NORTHEAST PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

950

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7,169



SPECIAL OPERATIONS

#### FORT WAYNE POLICE DEPARTMENT



Martin Bender Deputy Chief Southwest Division

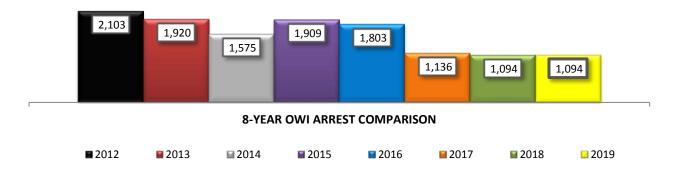
In 2019 Deputy Chief Martin Bender and Captain Scott Berning commanded the Special Operations Division. The Division consists of the Fort Wayne/Allen County Crash Team (FACT), Hit/Skip Section, Traffic Safety Grants, Emergency Services Team (EST), Crisis Intervention Team (CIT), Crisis Response Team (CRT), Hazardous Devices Unit (HDU), Public Safety Response Team (PSRT), Air Support Unit (ASU) and the K9 Unit.

#### **TRAFFIC OVERVIEW**

Lieutenant Tony Maze is the Traffic Grant Coordinator for the Fort Wayne Police Department and the Traffic Coordinator for the Fatal Accident Crash Team (FACT). He oversees the acquisition of traffic safety grants, their administration, and day-to-day coordination of the FACT team. Additionally, Lt. Maze oversees the Allen County Traffic Safety Partnership, which was formed in spring 2009.

8-YEAR CRASH COM	PARISON							
<u>Type</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Property Damage	8,790	8,842	7,574	10,742	11,351	9,149	9,169	9,167
Personal Injury	1,702	1,641	1,688	1,798	1,790	1,874	1,669	1,629
Hit-Skip	2,017	2,040	2,215	2,615	2,724	2,705	2,855	2,822
Fatals	16	12	17	12	18	21	14	22

In 2019 there were 1,094 people tested at "B-90" in the Allen County Confinement Center, the central location for the BAC DATA MASTER. The average Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) of those drivers arrested in Fort Wayne or Operating While Intoxicated (OWI) was .165%.

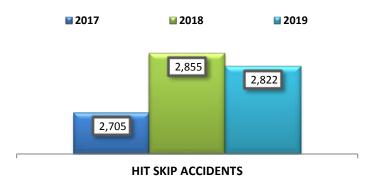


# FORT WAYNE/ALLEN COUNTY CRASH TEAM (FACT)

FACT was established in June 2006. The Unit consists of officers from the Fort Wayne Police Department; five teams with five officers on each team. These officers (who volunteer to serve on this team) are specifically trained to investigate serious injury and fatal crashes throughout Allen County. Grant assistance is obtained from the Governor's Council on Impaired & Dangerous Driving. In 2019 FACT responded to 42 serious bodily injury or fatal crashes in Fort Wayne, which was an increase of 35.5% in 2018. Of those, 21 were fatal crashes with 22 deaths as a result of those crashes.

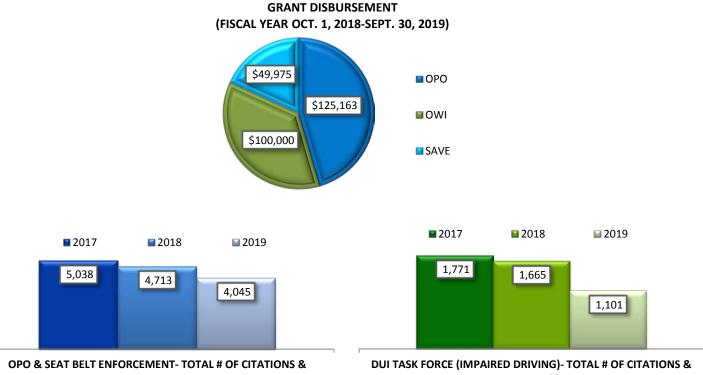


## **HIT-SKIP SECTION**



### **TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANTS**

The Governor's Council on Impaired and Dangerous Driving through the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI) awarded all grants to the department. In fiscal year 2018-2019 (October 1- September 30) the Fort Wayne Police Department was granted \$275,137.75 to be disbursed to agencies within the Allen County Traffic Safety Partnership.



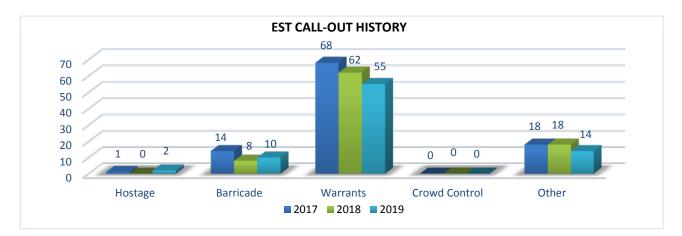
WARNINGS



# EMERGENCY SERVICES TEAM (EST)



In 2019 the Emergency Services Team resolved 81 operations (a 10% decrease from 2018) including 55 high risk warrant services, 2 hostage situations, 10 barricaded suspects, and 14 operations categorized as "other". Twelve (12) quick react team details for various festivals and events were provided. Of the high risk warrant services (37) were for the Vice and Narcotics Division, (10) for the Gang and Violent Crimes Unit, (4) for the Investigative Services Division, (2) for the FBI, (1) for the Auburn PD in reference to a burglary of firearms and 1 for the Kendallville PD in reference to an attempted murder. The team also provided

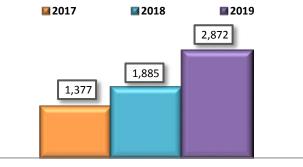


mutual aid to the city of Huntington in reference to a barricaded subject, and responded to a false report of an active shooter at the Glenbrook mall.

#### **CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM (CIT)**



The Fort Wayne Police Department Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Program (modeled after the original program in Memphis, Tennessee) was implemented on August 1, 2001 in order to provide an immediate response by trained law enforcement officers to deal with persons in the Fort Wayne community who are experiencing a mental health crisis. One goal established for the program was to divert persons with a mental illness from incarceration, and to treat the mental illness as the priority. During 2019 there were 2.872 reported mental health runs. This was a 52.4% increase from 2018. The CIT protocol was put into practice 1,591 times based on circumstances of the call.



**MENTAL HEALTH RUNS** 

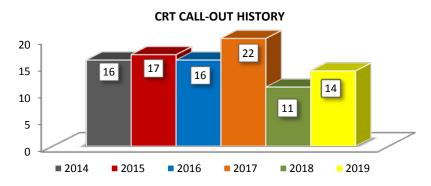
#### **CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM (CRT)**



The Crisis Response Team (CRT) was formed to respond to hostage, barricade situations, or suicidal incidents, which might require the use of negotiators. The ultimate goal of the CRT is to peacefully resolve all calls that they respond to, minimizing injury to officers, victims and suspects involved. In 2019 the team was comprised of 12 personnel. As a specialty team under the organizational authority of the FWPD Special Operations Deputy Chief, CRT provides crisis negotiations support in close coordination with the Department's

Emergency Services Team (EST) under the authority of the designated Incident Scene Commander during critical incidents involving barricaded suspect(s) or hostage-takers.

CRT continues to excel professionally as a negotiations team, with a high degree of career competency, career experience and healthy team dynamics among its members. Team members continue to provide instructional presentations and networked negotiations training and consulting to other police negotiations teams. During 2019 there were (14) CRT/EST/ASU critical incident callouts, including a suicidal jumper response between FWPD specialty teams and the Fort Wayne Fire Department for a successfully resolved incident on the Wells Street bridge. Additionally, one of these callouts included a successful mutual aid request for a barricaded drug suspect with an arrest warrant in Huntington, IN, at the request of the Indiana State Police. The FWPD CRT Unit response has continued to evolve into a more tiered response by on-duty specialty teams' personnel on the scene to assist operation officers during the beginning of potential hostage/barricade incident. This has resulted in fewer full EST/CRT/ASU callouts with higher officer safety.



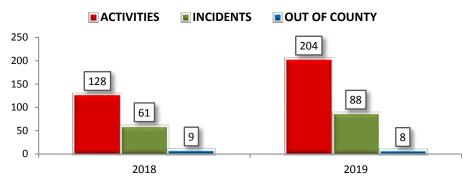
#### **HAZARDOUS DEVICES UNIT**



The Hazardous Devices Unit (HDU) consists of (8) members and is responsible for responding to 11 counties in Northeast Indiana. In 2019 the Unit responded to 204 calls to service, which was a 59.4% increase from 2018. The Unit also continued to develop stronger relationships with all branches of the United States Military, ATF, FBI, Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department, Department of Homeland Security (on a federal, state, and local level), Nuclear Detection Office, Oak Ridge National Labs, and the National Center for Training and Research. The paramount of all partnerships has been with the Air National Guard 122<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing.

In the past (2014) the National Counter-IED Capabilities Analysis assessment was completed. At that time the HDU received a "D" rating. In 2020 HDU will take delivery of

new equipment and will graduate two of their newest members, which will bring the Unit to an "A" rating. The new rating is exactly what the Unit needs for properly serving our community, the second largest city in Indiana. Additionally in 2020, the HDU has received approval for purchase of a new CBRNE (chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive) response vehicle and robot. Both will be great assets to the Unit, by replacing outdated apparatus and technology.





#### PUBLIC SAFETY RESPONSE TEAM (PSRT)



The Public Safety Response Team (PSRT) is a specially trained team that is responsible for responding on very short notice to serve the citizens of Fort Wayne during a time of civil unrest. Other responsibilities include, but are not limited to: civil disturbances, protests, large public gatherings, dignitary protection, crowd control, and any other detail that requires the assistance of a large number of officers.

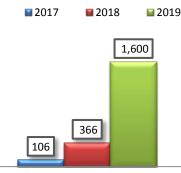
In 2019, the Public Safety Response Team participated in two joint training scenarios. In the spring, a massive training exercise involving other FWPD specialty units (EST, EOD, CRT, and ASU) was held at a local park. During this exercise, the new Crisis Response Team Command truck was used to demonstrate all of the video capabilities

consolidated for the command post. The second scenario was the third annual inter-operability training for the Mobile Field Force unit of the 122<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing of the Indiana National Guard. This training assists with the mutual aid support relationship that the department has with them.

# **AIR SUPPORT UNIT (ASU)**

The FWPD Air Support Unit was formally created on June 29, 2017 with the signing of PD17-2006. Annual flights for ASU have continued an upward trend since the unit's inception, with a 1409% increase from 2017 to 2019. ASU has continued to develop a close working partnership with the Fort Wayne Fire Department's ASU team, including the sharing of communications across teams. ASU logged nearly 900 flights on DroneSense in 2019, with an estimated 1600 flights for the year totaling approximately 250 flights hours in 125 missions and training. During the year ASU moved over to the DroneSense flight platform in May. It has been a powerful upgrade to their capabilities, allowing live streaming of video to dispatch to incident scene commanders, into the CRT vehicle for audio/video scene recordings during a critical incident callout, and as well to cell phones for supervisors and officers. ASU has continued to develop working group collaborative relationships with other public safety UAS teams in the state and country through relationships with the Hamilton County EMA UAS Working Group. In May 2019 a new City drone ordinance was passed to allow FWPD powers to regulate drone usage through parameters that avoid FAA federal preemption issues and with buy-in by drone flyers in the area. In July 2019 ASU hosted the first statewide UAS conference at Sweetwater Sound with attendees from out-of-state, including Columbus (Ohio) Police Department. During 2019 ASU also started the Allen County Drone Working Group in collaboration with the Allen County Department of Homeland Security.





FLIGHTS CONDUCTED



#### **DOWNTOWN PATROL**

In 2019 the Department implemented year-round patrolling for the Downtown Bike Patrol. The officers monitor the downtown area and near-by parks and trails. Staffing also increased from (3) officers to (7) officers.

- Radio Runs: 521
- Officer Initiated Runs: 843
- Citations Issued: 157

- Individuals Arrested: 250
- Community-Related Events: 126





In addition to their patrol duties, they also assist in the following community-related events.

- Escorted Tuesday evening Trek the Trails bicycle rides
- Bike to School Day/Safety Instruction for Price School in May
- Aboite Elementary Bike Rodeo
- Boy Scout Bike Rodeo

- Ride of Silence
- Winter Solstice Ride
- Active Commuter Breakfasts
- Open Streets
- Promenade Park Opening

#### **CANINE (K9) UNIT:**

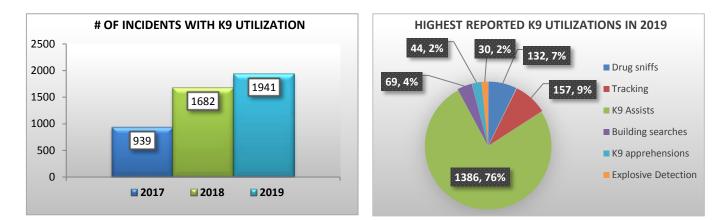


The K9 Unit training program is commanded by NAPWDA Master Trainer Sgt. Robert Theurer and consists of (14) K9 team members. The K9 Unit continued to provide service to the department fulfilling their commitment to the Operations Division and Narcotics Division. They also fulfilled requests for K9 demonstrations and lectures with a very minimum amount of overtime incurred. Instruction on K9 Policing was provided for the Fort Wayne Police Training Center. K9 Drug Interdiction programs for Fort Wayne Community Schools were taught during the year as well.

In 2019 there were (288) hours of specialized instruction, made available by in-house nationally accredited police K9 instructors. One Basic K9 class was held in 2019

totaling (560) hours of instruction for (2) new K9 teams, including one team for the Bluffton Police Department. In 2019 there were (72) hours of K9 instruction provided to neighboring agencies K9 teams. The Fort Wayne Police Department's Explosive Detection Dogs were utilized (30) times throughout 2019. The uses included threats and pre-event sweeps. Both explosive detection teams maintain National certifications that are recognized by both State and Federal agencies. All three K9 trainers successfully renewed their national accreditation from the North American Police Work Dog Association as Trainers of Police Utility and Narcotics Detection K9 teams.

One (1) FWPD Police Service Dog was retired in 2019. K9 Ado served the department for (8) years and retired to Florida along with his handler Officer Richard Jennings. Officer Jennings was a 22-year veteran of the K9 Unit.







Mitchell McKinney Captain Community Relations

# COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIVISION

Captain Mitchell McKinney commands the Community Relations Division. He is a 26year veteran of the department and brings a wealth of experience to his role. The mission of the Community Relations Division is to bring the police department and the community together to facilitate a better understanding of what the department does through the organizing of events in collaboration with other specialty teams and their equipment.

During the year the Fort Wayne Police Department Facebook page saw growth in the number of followers from 14,128 in 2018 to 20,706 in 2019. The Facebook site has proven to be very popular with the community and is very useful in answering questions. The page has also been used for recruitment efforts.

The Community Relations Division is comprised of (11) officers to include the division commander and (2) sergeants plus (6) SROs, a safety village officer and the multicultural liaison officer. All of the personnel are important in relating a positive message to the community in areas of enforcement, safety and community involvement.

During the 2019 year, several officers from other divisions assisted with events to augment the efforts of the Community Relations Division. In September 2019, at the annual award's ceremony, (71) community service awards were distributed to fellow officers for their commitment to excellent service to the citizens of Fort Wayne. The Community Relations Division continued its partnership with local businesses and organizations in various charity events held throughout the year. These events were successful due to the partnerships established over the years.

Event highlights include:

- The fourth annual *Safety Village Halloween Bash* conducted in partnership with the Fort Wayne Fire Department, the FOP and the PBA.
- The *Back to School Book Bag Giveaway* held at Headwaters Park West; more than 350 book bags were given away. This event was in partnership with the Salvation Army.
- Participated in the Annual Christmas Toy Program. Toys were graciously provided by the Mad Ants and Pacers during their Season of Giving and were distributed to families in need.
- Community Unity Nights held in October, November and December. A night for community and family engagement with the program topic: Keeping Out Youth Safe: Vaping, Sexting, Police Interaction, Apps Used, and More. FWPD collaborated with City Parks & Recreation, Fort Wayne UNITED, Community foundation of Greater Fort Wayne, and B96.9 radio station.
- The State Department brought a delegation from Myanmar to visit with the Fort Wayne Police Department. The group discussed community policing, recruitment, and the drugs & human trafficking that plague both our countries.
- Project Child Safe campaign began in June. Over 300 gunlocks were distributed to citizens in the community to promote child safety around guns.
- The annual *Pink Badge Campaign* to fight Breast Cancer raises money for the Vera Bradley Foundation for Breast Cancer and Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana. This campaign is conducted in partnership with the Lutheran Health Network, Lassus Handy Dandy convenience stores, Fire Police City County Federal Credit Union, Preferred Automotive Group and the Vera Bradley Foundation for Breast Cancer.
- Coffee/Cookies with a Cop held on various dates through the year. A new event was also held in May. FWPD participated in Dunkin' Cop on a Rooftop, a statewide event to raise donations for the Special Olympics Indiana.
- SRO's attended a Boys and Girls Clubs luncheon event *Smart Girls/Brilliant Women* at the Grand Wayne Center. FWPD's partnership with the Boys and Girls Clubs has been instrumental to community outreach.

- *Smart Girls/Brilliant Women* is a mentoring program to help girls navigate social and other challenges they face every day and encourage them to make the right choices.
- Junior Police Camp is held each summer and is supported by the Boys & Girls Club, Many Nations Church, and Bridge of Grace Ministries. Students are able to experience what it is like to be a police recruit.
- *Nontraditional Employment for Women* event was held at the Ivy Tech Public Safety Academy for area high school girls. The event was a workshop for the next generation of female leaders.

# MULTICULTURAL LIAISON OFFICER:

Officer Ricardo Robles has continued his efforts to educate and assist the Latino, Burmese, homeless and LBGTQ communities. He accomplishes this through formal meetings with the Multi-Cultural Committee, Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement program and the Allen County Mental and Behavioral Health Coalition. Officer Robles also has many informal meetings with the Burmese community leaders at events and celebrations. He has established relationships with consulates and ambassadors to further assist the Latino and Burmese communities including participating in recognition nights hosted at the Public Safety Academy that provide an opportunity to recognize outstanding community leadership to individuals in the Burmese and Latino communities. Officer Robles has been instrumental in bringing cultures together with our basic recruit classes by planning a multicultural breakfast to give the community a chance to meet and greet our newest members of the department. In February 2019 Officer Robles was the keynote speaker for the Mon National Day Community Event and was instrumental in arranging a Myanmar and State Department delegation visit to our City in October. The delegation visited with the Fort Wayne Police Department and the groups were able to share information about community policing, recruitment, and the drugs & human trafficking that plague both our countries.

# **PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER:**

The Public Information Officer (PIO) position saw a change this year in both personnel and rank. Sergeant Sofia Rosales-Scatena took over as the "face of the department", after Officer Michael Joyner retired. Sgt. Rosales-Scatena is a twenty-six year veteran of the Fort Wayne Police Department.

The main duty of the PIO is to respond to major incidents to manage the release of information to the media and the community. Sergeant Rosales-Scatena maintains close relationships with both local and national media and keeps busy disseminating information. As one of two supervisors in the Community Relations Division, Sergeant Rosales-Scatena is very active and attends community events to include but not limited to block parties, presentations to school groups and various group functions. She also conducts community talks on such topics including Scams, Vaping and Teens, Social Media Safety to name a few. Sergeant Rosales-Scatena has also been instrumental in increasing the Department's Facebook page 'likes' and 'followers' with her inventive and creative posts.

# SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM:

The Fort Wayne Police Departments School Resource Officer Program is a partnership with Fort Wayne Community Schools in which officers are assigned to work in area junior high schools during the school year to interact with our community's youth. Each of these officers does an outstanding job and provides much more than security for the schools. The SROs develop relationships by mentoring and building bridges between the students and the Fort Wayne Police Department. The SROs attend after school activities including parent/teacher conferences. This year the SROs continued teaching the Project ALERT curriculum in conjunction with the Drug and Alcohol Consortium of Allen County (DAC) to their seventh grade students alerting them to the dangers of alcohol and drugs and discussing alternatives to these substances. The SROs also assist with Remedy Live, a suicide prevention program, where their experience and training as Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) officers is very useful. Teaching students on Heather's Law and Erin's Law regarding child abuse and child sexual abuse prevention is an important element in this programming and has been conducted by Officer Alisha Smith. On a daily basis the SROs assist the school administration, teachers and parents with conflict mediations, making classroom visits and by addressing



attendance and discipline issues. The SRO's are also responsible for all the elementary schools that feed into their middle schools and occasionally speak at the high schools affiliated with their middle schools. When school is not in session the officers participate in community activities and help patrol the areas around their schools. They monitor dispatched runs that involves a juvenile and respond to investigate or assist. There are (6) SRO's who are assigned at various middle schools:

Ben Young—Northwood Middle School Alisha Smith—Kekionga Middle School Chris McAfee—Jefferson Middle School



Greg Addison—Portage Middle School James Payne—Lakeside Middle School Sherronda Freeman—Memorial Park Middle School



Each SRO in relation to their assigned school tracks performance measures. The following tables represent two periods for comparison.

2019 STATISTICS FOR FORT WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL): JANUARY-JUNE 2019			
Total Criminal Investigations (with control number)	81	Total Infraction Arrests	1
Total Administrative Teamwork	5,206	Smoking/Vaping Citations	3
Total Classes Taught	304	Total Felony Arrests	3
Total Classroom Visits	1,223	Total Misdemeanor Arrests	11
Conflict Incident Mediations/Resolutions	334	Total Drug Arrests	2
Parent Contacts	263	Firearms Seized	1
Home Visits	50	Other Weapons Seized	0
Academic Support	241	Total 911 Hang Ups	11
Elementary School Visits	58	C.I.T. Assessments/24-hour Detentions	85
After-School Activities	56	Total Drills (fire, tornado, lock-down)	24
Total			7,956

2019 STATISTICS FOR FORT WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL): JULY-DECEMBER 2019			
Total Criminal Investigations (with control number)	88	Total Infraction Arrests	2
Total Administrative Teamwork	4,760	Smoking/Vaping Citations	2
Total Classes Taught	260	Total Felony Arrests	1
Total Classroom Visits	1,037	Total Misdemeanor Arrests	8
Conflict Incident Mediations/Resolutions	276	Total Drug Arrests	0
Parent Contacts	261	Firearms Seized	0
Home Visits	53	Other Weapons Seized	3
Academic Support	152	Total 911 Hang Ups	12
Elementary School Visits	82	C.I.T. Assessments/24-hour Detentions	38
After-School Activities	82	Total Drills (fire, tornado, lock-down)	32
Total			7,149



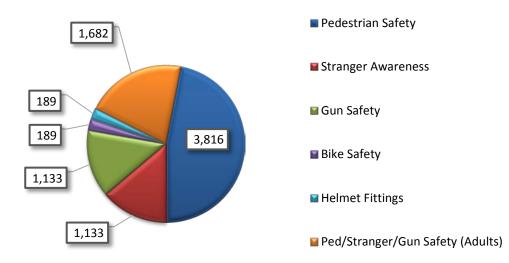
#### SAFETY EDUCATION BUREAU:



In 2019 Officer Joyce VanPelt retired from the Fort Wayne Police Department and her role as the "face of the Safety Education Bureau". She retired with over 34 years of service to department. Officer Jessica Ingram was appointed to oversee the Safety Education Bureau. She has been with FWPD for approximately 18 years. The Department's goal is to continue to make Safety Village complex a highly functional environment for teaching, learning and practicing safety.

#### 2019 OUTREACH AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Received new projector and DVD player.
- New Pedestrian Safety Videos, Stranger Awareness Videos, and Gun Safety Videos.
- Continued partnership with Peg Perego to repair their donated vehicles, recycle old batteries, and receive new batteries.
- Received new Safety Village coloring books from American Electric Power (AEP).
- Received coupons from Summit Bicycle for bike gear and bike safety classes.
- Halloween Bash held at Safety Village
- Pizza Hut provided free pizza coupons for Safety Village visitors.
- Gave 17 helmets to children at Thurgood Marshall.
- Presented summer program for the children at various summer camps.
- Working towards repairing or creating a new Parkview building at the Village.



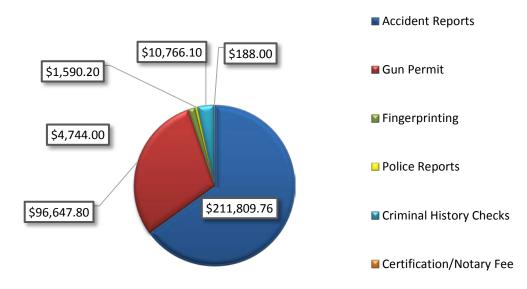
#### SAFETY EDUCATION ACTIVITIES FOR 2019:



#### FORT WAYNE POLICE DEPARTMENT

# **RECORDS BUREAU**

The primary responsibility of the Records Bureau is to maintain the security and integrity of all police records. The responsibilities include services to the public, as well as department officers and other police agencies in the form of accident reports, gun permits, incident reports, and fingerprinting. The number of calls answered by the Records Bureau in 2019 were 112,203: 99,064- Non-Emergency, 7,071 Police desk calls and 6,068 Teleservice calls. The total revenue generated in 2019 was \$325,745.86.



#### **RECORDS BUREAU- REVENUE GENERATED:**



# IN HONOR OF THOSE WHO HAVE FALLEN IN THE LINE OF DUTY

To those police officers who gave their lives unselfishly in the performance of their duties. These officers are deserving of our recognition and appreciation of their devotion to duty and service to our citizens.



NAME	DATE OF DEATH
Officer David Alexander Tinsley	September 11, 2018
Officer Bradley W. Matteson	October 5, 2000
Sergeant Kenneth William Hayden	September 12, 1989
Officer Omega Graham, Jr	December 10, 1987
Officer Kenneth Stevenson	July 17, 1969
Officer Matthew C. Gebhard	March 10, 1926

# 2019 PROMOTIONS

Officers wishing to further their career may participate in the Department's promotional process. Four components factor into the process: competitive exam, personal interview, past performance evaluations, and seniority. Final scores are tabulated, and then certified by an accountant and the Police Merit Commission. After this is completed, an eligibility list is generated. Every two years a new process is held.

MERIT RANK PROMOTIONS	JANUARY <b>7, 201</b> 9
Christopher Felton	Sergeant
John Nichter	Sergeant
Jeremy Webb	Sergeant
MERIT RANK PROMOTION	JULY 15, 2019
Michael Bell	Sergeant
MERIT RANK PROMOTION	DECEMBER 30, 2019

MERIT RANK PROMOTIONS	JUNE 14, 2019
Randall Hosford	Lieutenant
Sofia Rosales-Scatena	Sergeant
Josef Cutler	Sergeant
Shannon Hughes	Sergeant
MERIT RANK PROMOTION	November 4, 2019
Kerry Haywood	Sergeant

#### APPOINTED RANK PROMOTIONS

Juan BarrientesCaptain	.1/7/2019
Matthew Enyeart Captain	6/14/2019

Merit Ranks are standard, non-appointed ranks that change through promotion or demotion. Merit ranks include, Patrol Officer, Sergeant and Lieutenant.

<u>Appointed Ranks</u> are non-permanent ranks conferred upon a member by the Chief of Police (appointed by the Mayor). After serving in an appointed rank, a supervisor returns to his or her permanent merit rank.



# **DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS & COMMUNITY INITIATIVES**

#### **64TH RECRUIT CLASS GRADUATION CEREMONY**

The 64<sup>th</sup> recruit class ceremony was held on June 28, 2019 at the Rhinehart Music Center located at Indiana University – Purdue University Fort Wayne. 22 officers graduated from the 64<sup>th</sup> class. The class began on February 4, 2019. During their training a recruit class breakfast was held for members of the class to meet members of the community. Four officers were recognized for their outstanding achievements during the class: Officer Branden Lambiase graduated with honors and received the Outstanding Physical Fitness Award; Officer Kaytlin Wilfong received the Outstanding Academic Achievement Award; Officer Jonathon Yoder received the Top Gun Award; and Officers Amanda Miller, Lance Walker, Collin Bundy, Zach Zimmerman, Cody McBride, Jeremy Hoover, Ty Douglas, and Ross McGillivray graduated with honors. , (Photos by Rachel Von Stroup | The Journal Gazette)







#### FWPD K9 UNIT HIGHLIGHTED ON NATIONAL DOG DAY

FWPD's K9 Unit was highlighted on the Department's <u>Facebook page</u> on National Dog Day. Each dog was introduced, along with their work specialities and how they enjoy their time outside of the office. The FWPD K9 Unit is led by NAPWDA Master Trainer Sergeant, Robert Theurer and consists of (14) K9 team members.





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# **DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS & COMMUNITY INITIATIVES**



#### COP ON A ROOFTOP

On Friday, May 17, FWPD participated in Dunkin' Cop on a Rooftop, a state-wide event to raise donations for the Special Olympics Indiana.





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#### COFFEE WITH A COP & COOKIES WITH A COP

DUNKIN' TORCHRUN

This annual initiative was held multiple times during the 2019 calendar year. Free coffee for the adults and free cookies for the children. These events provide an opportunity to community members to sit and talk to the officers that protect them.





# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS & COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

#### FOP KOPS 4 KIDS SHOPPING SPREE

The Fraternal Order of Police- Indiana Wayne Lodge 14, continued their partnership with Meijer for the FOP's annual shopping spree during the holiday season. Parents and their children were joined by officers for Christmas shopping and refreshments.



#### DETECTIVE WINS GOLD AT THE WORLD FIRE/POLICE GAMES

Detective Steve Espinoza placed first in the bench press competition at the World Fire and Police Games in Chengou, China. He lifted 401.5 lbs and set a world record for his age group. This makes three golds medals for Detective Espinoza in the last three games.



#### 72ND MON NATIONAL DAY

FWPD Community Liaison Officer Ricardo Robles and City Community Liaison Palermo Galindo attended the 72<sup>nd</sup> Mon National Day. Officer Robles was the keynote speaker for this event in which 450 people attended.



#### PAINTING WITH A COP

On September 13, 2019, FWPD held its first "Painting with a Cop" at Washington Elementary. All had a great time, as officers spent time with the kids while building trust, respect, and understanding.













# **DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS & COMMUNITY INITIATIVES**

#### FORT WAYNE UNITED'S IRIC HEADLEY PRESENTED HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Iric Headley, head of Fort Wayne United, was the recipient of the Charles J. Ellis, Jr. Humanitarian Award, given by Indianapolis Ten Point Coalition in partnership with the Indiana Attorney General's Office. He was recognized at the state-wide level for the meaningful work that he and the Fort Wayne Ten Point Coalition have brought to the Fort Wayne area.





#### OFFICERS ATTEND COVENTRY MEADOWS SENIOR PROM

Coventry Meadows invited first responders to their Senior Prom on June 13, 2019. It was an elegant occasion with dinner and dancing. Everyone enjoyed the event.



#### FORT WAYNE UNITED'S TENPOINT COALITION



On October 25, 2019, Mayor Tom Henry joined by Police Chief Steve Reed, Reverend Dr. Charles Harrison, Oxford Community residents, TenPoint Coalition financial partners, TenPoint Coalition Foot Patrols and Fort Wayne UNITED representatives to announce that in the last twelve months, both violent crime and property crime decreased in the Oxford Community, the first recipient of Mayor Henry's TenPoint Coalition initiative that was launched on October 25, 2018.



#### FORT WAYNE POLICE DEPARTMENT

# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS & COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

#### PROTECTING PLACES OF WORSHIP FORUM

On May 31<sup>st</sup> an interfaith meeting for faith-based leaders and community members on how to prevent and respond to hate crimes against places of worship was held at the Public Safety Academy: Ivy Tech South Campus. The forum was facilitated by the U.S. Department of Justice Community Relations Division and hosted by FWPD and the City of Fort Wayne. Speakers included Mayor Henry and representatives from FWPD, US Attorney- Office for the Mathematical Science Community Field Office, and Homeland Security- Indianapolis.



#### **BLUE BUCKET BRIGADE**

The Blue Bucket Brigade was hard at work in 2019 and raised money for the Boys & Girls Club (BGCFW). The Blue Bucket Brigade is collaboration between Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 14, BGCFW, and Fort Wayne United, and helps support various initiatives each year.



#### AFTER THE YELLOW TAPE

Often times families have no idea what happens once the yellow tape is up and how their loved one's case will be handled. *After the Yellow Tape* was created to feature homicide cases missing that one crucial piece of information to help solve the case and bring justice to the families. Each video will feature a homicide detective highlighting a new cold case homicide.









#### FORT WAYNE POLICE DEPARTMENT

# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS & COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

#### 2019 ANNUAL BOOKBAG GIVE-AWAY

The annual Victim Assistance/FWPD Back to School Bookbag Give-Away was held on August 8, 2019. It was a huge success with approximately 500 bookbags being given away. Those who attended also received other goodies, such as hot dogs, toothbrushes/toothpaste, stuffed animals, and books. Contributors for the event include Preferred Automative Group, Parks & Recreation, Familia Dental, Fort Wayne United, Fort Wayne Fire Department, and the Ten Point Coalition.



#### VICTIM ASSISTANCE PARTICIPATES IN 35TH EMBASSY FESTIVAL OF TREES

Victim Assistance created and decorated a tree for display at the annual Embassy Festival of Trees. The tree was on display from November 27-December 4, 2019. They did not win an award but enjoyed the experience and the opportunity to bring awareness to a national initiative Rise Up Against Domestic Violence.











#### OFFICERS ATTENDED NATIONAL POLICE WEEK IN D.C.

National Police Week was held in Washington, D.C. from May 12-18. Officers and their families attended the ceremony to honor and pay respect to one of their own, Officer David Tinsley, who died in the line of duty on September 11, 2018.





# DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS & COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

#### **MYANMAR AND STATE DEPARTMENT DELEGATION VISIT**

On October 30, 2019, the State Department brought a delegation from Myanmar to visit with the Fort Wayne Police Department. The group discussed community policing, recruitment, and the drugs & human trafficking that plague both our countries. The important of culture, language, and understanding were also shared.



#### ANNUAL RAGER-STIVERSON POLICE/FIRE SOFTBALL GAME

On July 10 the Fort Wayne Police and Fire Departments played their annual softball game. The Fort Wayne Fire Department put up a good fight, but FWPD prevailed winning 19-16.





On June 10 Chief Reed has the pleasure of meeting with Mon Buddhist Monk Oke Kan Sa and his interpreter Mi Kyaikson Non during their tour of the department.



When Officers Hus and Hill went to assist a family they received a wonderful surprise. A young man came out with a poster thanking his heroes.



A new spin on an old Norman Rockwell classic featuring Officer James Payne.



# **DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS & COMMUNITY INITIATIVES**



K9 Ivy receives a body armor donation from Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. that was sponsored by William & Shari Haas of the Zaifert Foundation.



FWPD K9 Unit receives a donation of \$2,500 from Fire Police Federal Credit Union.



The Fort Wayne Police Department participated in the N.E.W. Workshop (Nontraditional Employment for Women) on October 1 at the Ivy Tech Public Safety Academy. The networking initiative is geared towards female high school students. The workshop gives students an opportunity to engage with female leaders in nontraditional careers and be encouraged to do what they want for a living. *#TheSkyIsTheLimit* 

