

# 2021

## ANNUAL REPORT



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# **LETTER FROM THE CHIEF**

*Annette M. Mecklenburg, Chief of Police*

On behalf of the men and women of the Cleveland Heights Police Department, it is my privilege to present our 2021 Annual Year-End Report. The report is an organized method of sharing with everyone valuable information about what we accomplished throughout the year and what each Unit has been focusing on to make the City of Cleveland Heights an exceptional and safe community in which to live and work.

As everyone is aware, 2021 continued to be a challenging year due to the COVID-19 pandemic and societal events. As a result of the pandemic, administrative measures were put into place to ensure that our level of service continued in a manner to maintain current operations, to ensure the safety and protection of our officers, and to continue to provide exceptional services that our community has come to expect from its Police Department. Unfortunately, some of our normal community events had to be canceled to protect the health and welfare of everyone due to the pandemic. However, we are confident that we will be able to resume many of our programs and events in the near future.

Newly added to the Annual Report this year are several categories including race data for traffic stops, complaints against the Police Department and their outcomes, and data involving the number of incidents involving use of force. This data will continue to be reported annually as the Police Department is dedicated to transparency.

I am incredibly proud and honored to serve this community along side the brave men and women that comprise our Police Department. All officers and civilian personnel are to be commended for their dedication to the community and their accomplishments throughout the year. Despite the challenges they face on a daily basis, they continue to serve with professionalism, pride, compassion and dedication.

As we move forward in 2021, I am confident that all members of the Police Department will continue to make the safety of the community their number one priority and strive to improve the service they are known for providing.

Sincerely,

Annette M. Mecklenburg  
Chief of  
Police

# **The Cleveland Heights Police Department**

## **Our Mission:**

The Cleveland Heights Police Department, in partnership with the community, is dedicated to protecting the lives, property and rights of all persons while maintaining order reducing fear, informing the public and enforcing the laws fairly and impartially.

The men and women of the Cleveland Heights Police Department will perform their duties with the highest degree of professionalism, honesty and dedication to those that they serve. These duties will be delivered under the direction of strong leadership with a commitment to continuing education.

All members of the Cleveland Heights Police Department will work as a unified group in order to uphold this mission.

## **Our Core Values:**

Values are the core of our moral beliefs. They are convictions that bond us together to accomplish specific tasks and objectives, they are what we share and believe. We, the members of the Cleveland Heights Police Department, value the following:

### **1. Constitutional Rights**

We shall uphold this country's values as embodied in the Constitution and dedicate ourselves to the preservation of life, individual freedom and justice for everyone.

### **2. Integrity**

Integrity is the absolute honest and ethical personal behavior and performance of duty that must be the hallmark of every member of this Department.

### **3. Professional Excellence**

Recognizing the changing and diverse needs of the community, the Cleveland Heights Police Department pledges to establish and maintain high-performance standards to ensure public confidence and trust. Professional excellence is a direct result of progressive training, a positive attitude and personal commitment.



**4. Commitment to Members**

The Department recognizes that its members are the vital component to the successful delivery of our services. We believe we can achieve our highest potential by actively involving our members in problem-solving and improving our services. We support an organizational climate of mutual trust and respect.

**5. Community Orientation**

Members shall uphold laws in an ethical, impartial, courteous and professional manner while respecting the rights and dignity of all persons. We will be compassionate and provide assistance to victims and those in need.

**6. Community Partnership**

We encourage and expect the participation of the community in facilitating solutions to problems of mutual concern. We solicit and support contributions from all members of our community.

**7. Loyalty**

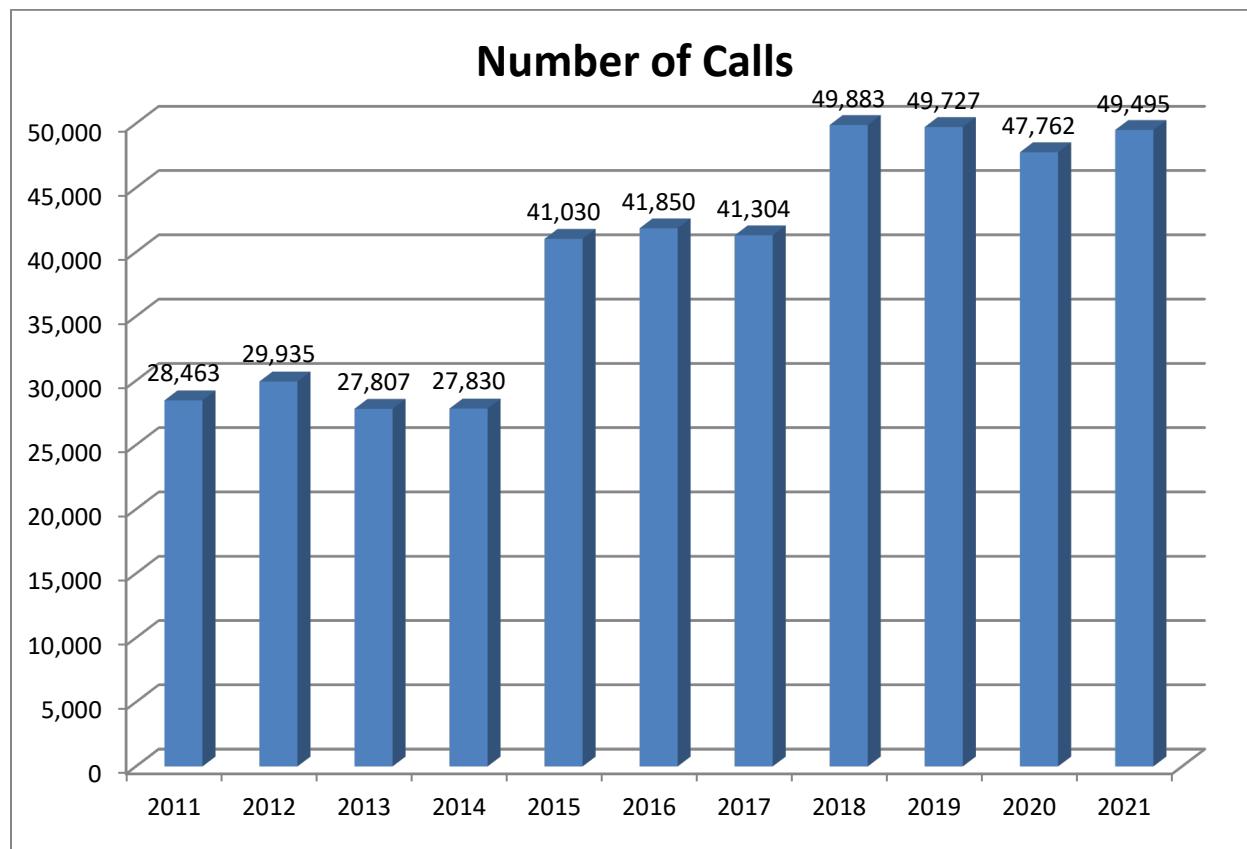
Members owe a high duty of loyalty to our community, the police profession, their jobs, and the Cleveland Heights Police Department. This requires being productive, giving their best to work effectively and efficiently, complying in deed and spirit with the Department's lawful directives, cooperating and working amicably with others, following the chain-of-command when applicable, being respectful, and conducting themselves in a manner that does not needlessly or falsely cast the Department's reputation, or the reputation of its members, in a false light.

# **UNIFORM PATROL DIVISION**

The Uniformed Patrol Division of the Cleveland Heights Police Department is composed of 4 platoons operating on a 12-hour schedule. This Division is the largest in the Department. Each platoon consists of 1 Lieutenant (Office in Charge), 1 Sergeant (Road Supervisor), and 9-12 Patrol Officers. This Division, commonly referred to as "Basic Patrol", is tasked with providing police services 24 hours/day, 7 days per week. Calls for service, while many being routine, are essential in providing an enjoyable, safe living environment.

For deployment of Uniform Division personnel, the City is divided into 13 "blocks." These blocks, commonly referred to as zones, correspond to census tracts. All personnel are intimately familiar with these areas and as such can be assigned into different zones over different time periods. Zones are also used in the Departments crime analysis function, Command Central. Command Central imports all call data from our CAD daily, placing each call for service in the appropriate zone. These calls for service can be "drilled" down to specific crimes or calls for service within specific zones which allows for proper deployment of personnel and strategies.

In 2021, Cleveland Heights Police were tasked with answering 49,495 calls for service which was slightly higher than in 2020. Beginning in 2015, a new policy was implemented that more accurately recorded these calls. Calls for service such as subpoena services, house watch checks, traffic stops, follow up investigations, assisting disabled motorists, traffic control, and civil complaints, in addition to others, are now recorded in Records Management as a call for service. Time spent on these service calls by police personnel is substantial and must be recorded accurately.



## Calls for Service

01/01/2021 through 12/31/2021



CALL TYPE	Number	CALL TYPE	Number
911	439	CALL BOX CALL	13
911 HANG UP	408	CANCEL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE	1
ABANDONED VEHICLE	147	CANCELLED	105
AIU CALLOUT	1	CHILD ABUSE-REPORTED	4
ALARM DROP	2629	CHILD ENDANGERMENT	7
ALARM DROP - BANK ALARM	4	CIVIL MATTER	141
ALARM DROP - STORM	10	COMPLAINTS-BUSINESS	4
ANIMAL - BITE	25	COMPLAINTS-FIREWORKS	160
ANIMAL - DEER	70	COMPLAINTS-GENERAL	94
ANIMAL - FOUND	126	COMPLAINTS-JUVENILE	287
ANIMAL - LOST	113	COMPLAINTS-SOLICITOR	45
ANIMAL NEGLECT	67	COPPS	3
ANIMAL WARDEN DISPATCHED	2	COUNCIL MAIL - DELIVERED	103
ANIMAL- MISC.	696	COURT	26
AREA CHECK	592	COURT ARREST	1
ASSAULT	72	COVID COMPLAINT	3
ASSAULT IN PROGRESS	10	CRIMINAL DAMAGE	50
ASSIST-GENERAL	342	CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK	207
ASSIST-OTHER DEPT	268	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	27
ATTEMPT B & E - RESIDENCE	2	CRIMINAL TRESPASS	2
ATTEMPT GT VEHICLE	1	CURFEW	3
ATTEMPT TO LOCATE	37	CUSTODY DISPUTE	34
ATTEMPTED ROBBERY	1	DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	194
AUTO TOWED	16	DAMAGE TO VEHICLE	133
BAR CHECK	6	DEBRIS ON STREET	67
BARKING DOG	138	DEER KILL	1
BIKE - THEFT	10	DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION	612
BIKE CHECK	6	DETAIL	251
BOLO	169	DISABLED MOTOR VEHICLE	415
BOMB CALLOUT	1	DISORDERLY	81
BOND	6	DISPUTE	171
BREAK & ENTER - IN PROGRES	21	DISTURBANCE	1466
BREAKING AND ENTERING	52	DOA AND BODY FOUND	55
BREATH TEST- OTHER AGENCY	3	DOMESTIC	133

BURGLARY	39	DOMESTIC IN PROGRESS	50
BURGLARY IN PROGRESS	9	DRUG INVESTIGATION	18
BUSINESS CHECKS	163	EQUIPMENT FAILURE/MALFUNCT	21
BUSINESS WALK THRU	2	ERRANDS	13
ERRATIC DRIVER	344	MVA-SELF REPORTED	1
ESCORT	297	NEIGHBOR TROUBLE	167
FAMILY TROUBLE	152	NOISE COMPLAINT	1193
FIGHT WITH WEAPONS	5	NOTIFICATION	40
FIGHT- DISTURBANCE	90	OFF DUTY DETAIL	6
VEH FIRE	19	OFFICER BREAKS/LUNCH	1
FOLLOW UP INVESTIGATION	1233	OFFICER ENGAGEMENT	2
FOOT PATROL	7	OPEN CONTAINER	5
FORGERY	1	OPEN DOOR	73
FOUND PROPERTY	106	OVERDOSE	17
FRAUD	268	OVI-OPERATE VEH UNDER INFL	2
HARASSING-COMMUNICATION	86	PARK DETAIL	408
HARASSMENT-GENERAL	55	PARKING COMPLAINT	1035
HIT CONFIRMATION	1222	PARKING PERMISSION	23
HOUSE WATCH	228	PARKING VIOLATION	187
IDENTITY THEFT	41	PHONE MESSAGE	173
ILLEGAL DUMPING	10	PORTABLE	15
INJURY TO OFFICER	13	POWER OUTAGE	4
INJURY TO PERSON	2	PREMISE CHECK	254
JAIL	21	PRINT AGENCY LOGS	2
JUVENILE-RUNAWAY	37	PRISONER CARE	170
K9-CALL OUT	20	PRISONER PICK UP	31
LASER	1	PRISONER RELEASE	64
LEADS - ENTRY	3585	PRISONER TRANSPORT	104
LEADS - MISC.	57	PROBATE ORDER	15
LEADS - REMOVAL	2918	PROPERTY - FOUND	75
LOCK-OUT HOUSE	3	PROPERTY - LOST	116
LOCK-OUT VEHICLE	632	PROPERTY - RELEASE	8
LOCK-OUT VEHICLE-CHILD	5	PROPERTY DAMAGE	25
MENTAL SUBJECT	107	PROT ORDER VIOL - IN PROGR	13
MISSING JUVENILE	151	PROTECTION ORDER VIOLATION	19
MISSING PERSON	52	PUBLIC ASSIST	22
MISSING PROPERT/DAMAGE TO	1	PURSUIT	26
MISSING PROPERTY	1	RAPE	5
MUTUAL AID, GIVEN	18	RECEIVE STOLEN PROPERTY	5
MUTUAL AID, REQUESTED	24	RECORD CHECKS	3

MVA	1044	RECOVERED PROPERTY	50
MVA - DEER	4	REGISTRATION CHECK	76
MVA - HIT SKIP	202	REPORT WRITING	22
MVA-PEDESTRIAN	23	REPOSSESSION	283
MVA-PRIVATE PROPERTY	135	ROAD CLOSED	114
ROAD HAZARD	134	THEFT (PETTY) IN PROGRESS	26
ROBBERY	30	THEFT-FREE TEXT	506
ROLL CALL	1	THREATS	141
SALT CREW NOTIFICATIONS	13	THREATS IN PROGRESS	8
SCHOOL DETAIL	27	TRAFFIC ALTERCATION	20
SEARCH WARRANT	13	TRAFFIC ARREST / INVEST	8
SERVICE DEPARTMENT	93	TRAFFIC COMPLAINT	322
SEX OFFENSE	34	TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES	216
SHIFT CALL IN	1028	TRAFFIC DETAIL	38
SHOPLIFTING	92	TRAFFIC DETAIL/RADAR	4
SHOPLIFTING IN PROGRESS	24	TRAFFIC DETAILS/COMPLAINTS	6
SHOTS FIRED	361	TRAFFIC SAFETY ENFORCEMENT	26
SICK CALL	20	TRAFFIC STOP	9899
SNOW/ICE COMPLAINTS	6	TRAINING	10
SOLICITING	36	TRAINING-RANGE	3
SPECIAL ATTENTION	1534	TRASH COMPLAINT	31
STOLEN VEHICLE	168	TREE DOWN	92
SUBPOENA SERVED	6	TRESPASSING	116
SUICIDE IN PROGRESS	11	UNAUTHORIZED USE	51
SUICIDE/SUICIDAL	100	UNRULY JUVENILE	66
SUSPICION	1176	UNWANTED GUEST	366
SUSPICIOUS DEVICE/PACKAGE	14	UTILITIES - PUBLIC	286
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	456	VANDALISM	16
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	531	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE/WASH	56
SWAT CALL OUT	14	WALK AND TALK	3
TECH TEAM CALLOUT	21	WARRANT SERVICE-ARREST	85
TELECOMMUNICATIONS FRAUD	1	WEAPONS OFFENSE	97
THEFT (MAJOR) IN PROGRESS	2	WELFARE CHECK	1180

**TOTAL** **49,495**



**Cleveland Heights Police**  
**Animal Calls for Service 01/01/2021 through 12/31/2021**

ANIMAL – BITES	25
ANIMAL – DEER	75
ANIMAL - FOUND	126
ANIMAL – LOST	113
ANIMAL – MISC.	696
ANIMAL – NEGLECT	67
BARKING DOG	138
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>1240</u></b>

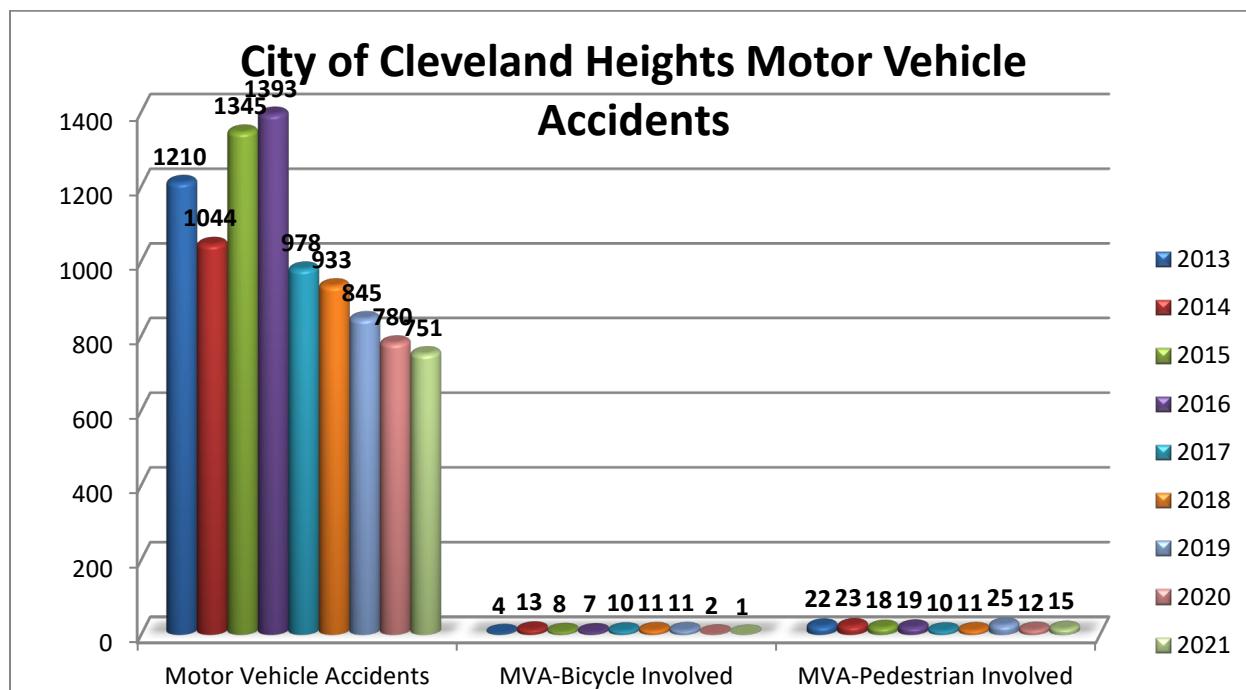
In 2021, Captain Matthew Cinadr was promoted to Patrol Captain and also serves as the Jail Administrator. Built in 1986, the Cleveland Heights Jail is a twelve-day holding facility. A total of 1319 persons were booked into the jail in 2021. All adults arrested and processed are held until they post bond, are sentenced or are transferred to a longer-term facility. In some cases, however, offenders are booked in and out of the jail and issued a summons in lieu of arrest. The jail has the capacity to hold 13 adult inmates and consists of two female cells, eight male cells, two holding cells and one detox cell. Juvenile offenders are not held in the jail facility and are required to be separate from adult inmates in both sight and sound. As such, all juveniles brought into CHPD custody are held in the Roll Call Room under direct supervision by the arresting officer.

# **COMMUNITY RESPONSE TEAM/TRAFFIC UNIT**

In 2021 the supervisors of the Community Response Team/Traffic Unit were Sgt. Sean Corrigan and Sgt. Matt Lasker. Community Response and Traffic Safety personnel are assigned to either 9:00 am – 5:00 pm or 6:00 pm – 2:00 am seven days a week.

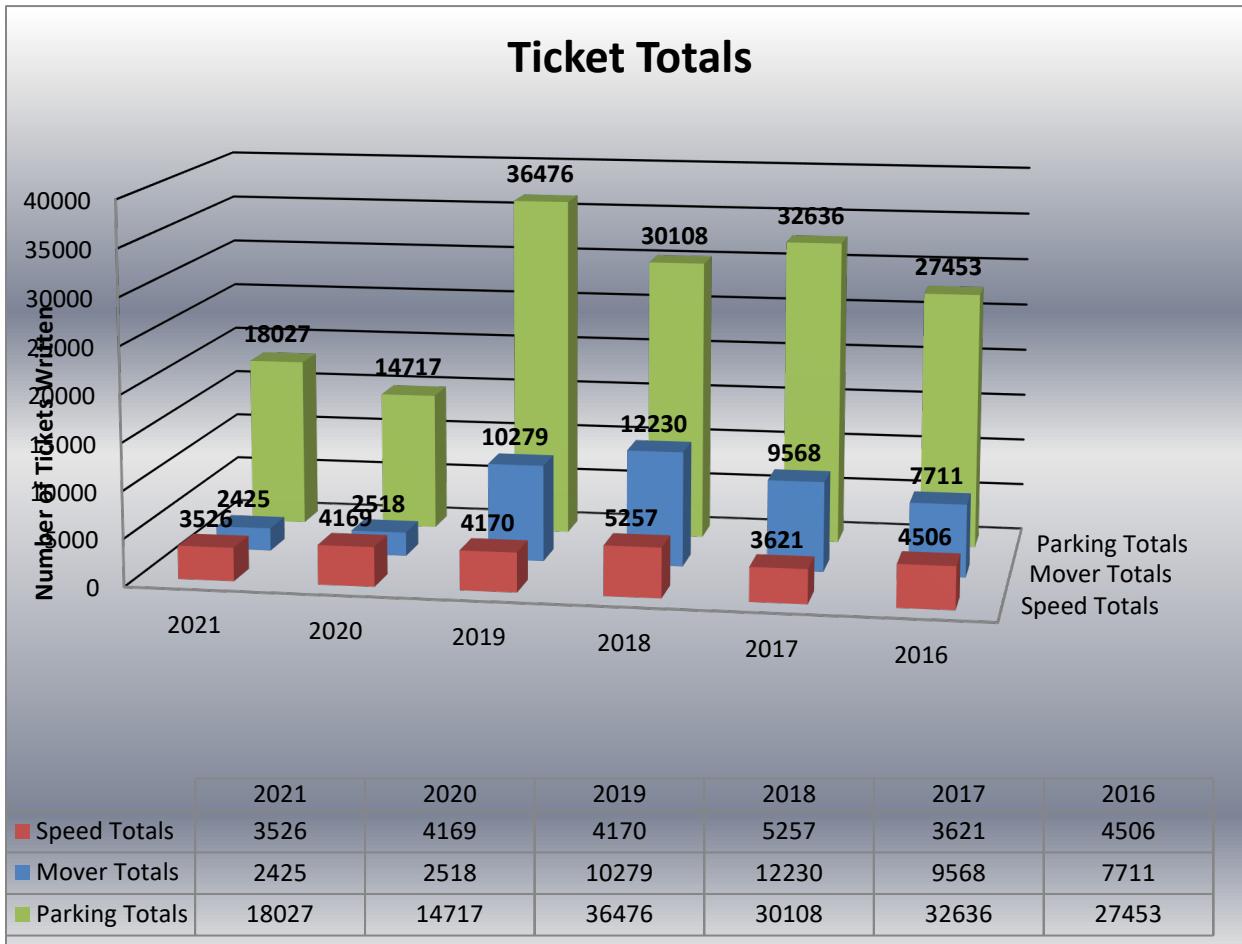
The Officers assigned to this Bureau perform a variety of duties including motorized patrol, foot patrols, A.L.I.C.E. training, participation in area school programs and community events. Foot Patrol “beats” includes Cedar/Fairmount, Coventry, Lee Rd (Cedar south to Dellwood) and the Taylor Rd. /Noble Rd. districts. All foot patrol officers are assigned police vehicles which are conspicuously parked in the districts while the officer is on foot patrol.

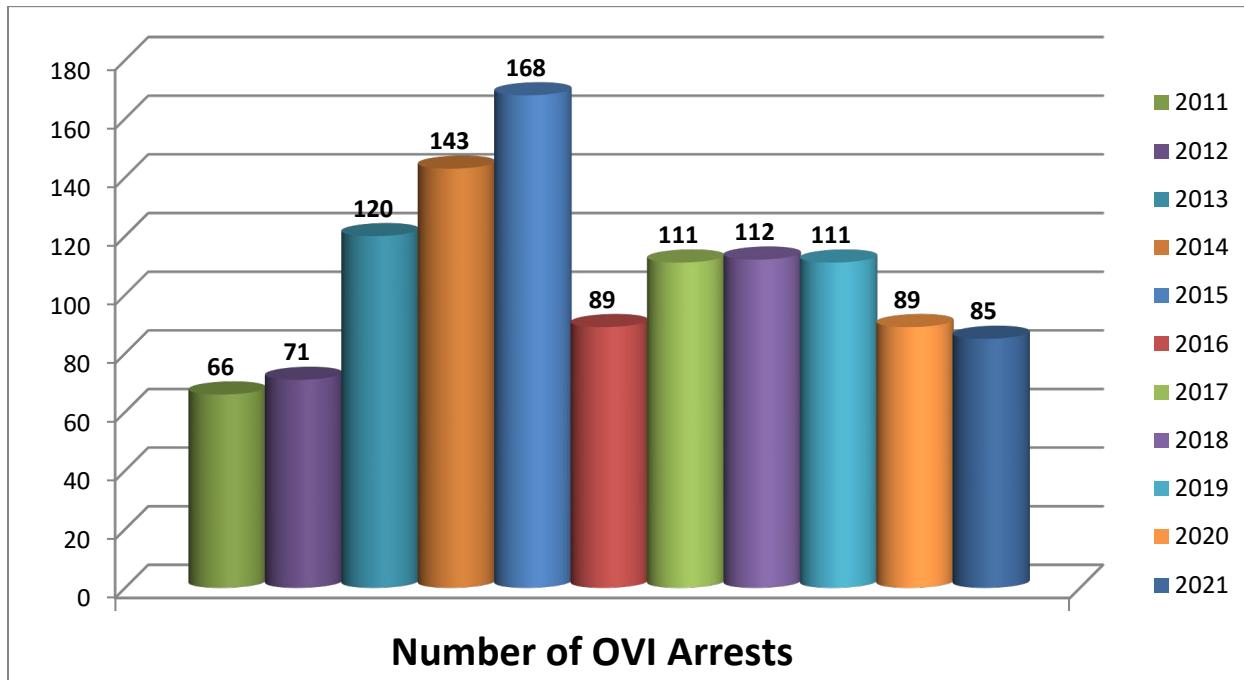
Although the investigation of traffic accidents falls to the Uniform Division personnel, the Traffic Bureau plays an important role in the reduction of traffic crashes. Traffic Officers have as their main responsibility traffic law enforcement while working under the principal of “selective enforcement”. Police officers cannot enforce all traffic violations within their jurisdiction. Under the selective enforcement principal, personnel and equipment are placed into an area based on the kinds of violations and road conditions that contribute to collisions. By reducing these selective violations, collision numbers should follow. In addition, Officers assigned to this unit are responsible for addressing resident complaints such as speeding and stop sign violations. The chart blow shows the number of collisions reported to police over the previous eight-year period.



Other assignments for these officers include citizen complaints (speed/stop sign violators), school zone speed enforcement, parking violations (meter enforcement, abandoned vehicles etc.), impaired driving enforcement and the impoundment of unsafe vehicles to name a few.

Selective enforcement strategies implemented and enforced by only those assigned to this bureau would not be sufficient in reducing the number of collisions. All Uniformed Cleveland Heights Police Officers are actively involved in traffic enforcement. See chart below.





OVI enforcement for the past eleven years

The following are activities that the CRT provides directly to Cleveland Heights Residents:

- Provide services and support to the youth of Cleveland Heights through participation in school programs such as assemblies, school classroom visits, Safety Town activities, bicycle safety programs and other activities associated with the schools and other organizations.
- Utilize the resources of the CHPD such as Bike Patrol Officers, K-9 units and other units in order to accomplish their current assignment.
- Communication with neighborhood association leaders in the city.
- Participation in neighborhood meetings.
- Provide a direct person contact within the Police Department for these associations.
- Participation in bi-weekly “Meet Your Police” meetings.
- Responsible for the completion of all Citizen/Police Interaction forms (#2174)
- Provide a direct contact person in the Police Department for business owners/representatives within the City. One officer assigned as Business Liaison Officer-Currently Investigator Tyler Allen.
- Meet with Special Improvement District (SIDS) representatives.
- Responsible for other community centered initiatives assigned by the Chief of Police.

2020 was a slower than normal year for the Community Response Team. Due to the COVID19 Pandemic and out of an abundance of caution, many of our normal events

were cancelled in 2020. Such events include Safety Forces Night Out, Citizens Police Academy, Youth Police Academy, Shop with a Cop, Safety Town, Dog Walker Watch, Coffee with a Cop, A.L.I.C.E. Training and Bicycle Patrol.

However, in 2021 the Police Department began to resume some of our community events and took the necessary precautions and measures to ensure the health and safety of all participants.

Started in 2011, CRT officers began to chair all weekly “Meet Your Police meetings. Meetings are normally held each Thursday in the lower level of City Hall from 6:00-8:00 pm. Since February of 2014, the first meeting of each month is held at the Police Academy located at 2595 Noble Rd. In 2021, Meet Your Police meetings were held on the first and third Thursdays of every month primarily due to the reduced attendance. Issues discussed include juvenile complaints, drug activity, traffic safety, housing violations, roadway conditions, animal complaints and current events to name a few. All issues addressed at the meetings are documented and forwarded to the Chief of Police who directs the complaint to the proper City Department for action. Residents are notified of the final disposition.

Below are some highlights of the community events and engagement the CHPD was able to participate in throughout 2021:



#### **“Kindness is Magnetic” Campaign**

In January our Business Liaison Officer Tyler Allen scoured the City in search of residents and business owners to thank for their kindness and generosity. Inv. Allen passed our magnets with special messages for those who came across. This was certainly not a difficult assignment because as we all know, Cleveland Heights has some of the most wonderful and kind people in our midst.

## Spring Food Drive

March 27, 2021

The CHPD held a spring food drive at Zagara's Marketplace. Officers were on hand from 2:00 – 5:00 pm to collect donations to benefit the Cleveland Heights community. Our residents really stepped up with their donations of non-perishable items for those in need.



## Communion of Saints Event

May 20, 2021



## Safety Forces Night Out

August 3, 2021

In 2021 the CHPD held its Seventh Annual Safety Forces Night Out in conjunction with the Fire Department. Despite COVID, we had a great turnout and everyone had a wonderful time. There was plenty to do during the entire evening. In addition to meeting officers from our various units and explore the equipment we use. There was a balloon twister caricaturist and bouncy house for the kids and everyone was treated to complimentary hot dogs, chips, water, pop and ice cream.



# Donut Drink & Drive

September 3, 2022



**CLEVELAND HEIGHTS POLICE**  
**DONUT DRINK & DRIVE**





**Sept 3rd, 2021 - 10 AM-12 PM**  
**Bryan's Marathon at 2294 Lee Road**



Join the Cleveland Heights Police Department and Investigator Allen at Bryan's Marathon to gather information and to sign a pledge to not drink and drive! Grab a donut and show your commitment to practicing safety on the roads. This will be a drive-in event and we hope many of our Cleveland Heights residents will participate!

**Free donuts for all participants**





## Coffee With a Cop/Meet Your Police

October 6, 2021 & October 7, 2021

In October the CHPD sponsored two events to encourage residents and business owners to come meet with police officers to discuss issues or concerns they may be experiencing. Both events were held at the Cleveland Heights Police Academy on Noble Road.





## **Vehicle Safety Inspection Night**

October 14, 2021

**VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION**  
WITH BRYAN FROM BRYAN'S MARATHON

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14**  
**5-7 PM**

Bring your vehicle to Bryan's Marathon to receive an overall check while the car is parked and on the ground. Inspection includes:

- Tires
- Belts
- Rodent Damage
- Battery

- Brakes
- Turn Signals
- Wiper Blades
- & More

**NO WORK OR REPAIRS WILL BE COMPLETED DURING THIS EVENT. QUESTIONS CAN BE ANSWERED IF TIME PERMITS.**



## Prescription Drug Take Back Day

October 23, 2021

Prescription drug take back day was a great success as the Police Department collected 12 boxes totaling 180 pounds of unwanted or expired prescription drugs that if ended up in the wrong hands, could have devastating consequences.

The Police Department also has a prescription drug drop off box available 24/7 in the lobby. Residents are welcome to drop off unwanted and expired prescription drugs at their convenience. These drugs are collected by the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department and properly disposed of on a regular basis.



## Halloween Events

October, 2021

During the month of October, Officers participated in several Halloween events including the Lee Road Halloween Festival and Trunk or Treat at the Justice Center in downtown Cleveland to name a few.



## **Noble Elementary School Safety Talk**

November 11, 2021

Our Business Liaison and Community Response Officer Investigator Tyler Allen visited Noble Elementary School in November to teach the kids all about police and fire safety procedures.



## **Thanksgiving Food Drive**

November 13, 2021



## No Shave November

During the month of November, Officers were once again permitted to participate in No Shave November. For a donation of \$50.00 officers were permitted to grow a beard for the entire month on the condition that it was kept neatly trimmed and professional. By the end of the month officers collected over \$3,800 which was donated to "A Special Wish Foundation, Inc. Cleveland Chapter." 100% of the donations go directly to children battling life-threatening illnesses. These children are receiving treatment at Cleveland Clinic Children's Hospital, Akron Children's Hospital and UH Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital.



## Holiday Food Drive

December 11, 2021

**HOLIDAY  
FOOD  
DRIVE**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2-5 PM**

All donations will benefit the *Start Right Church* community food pantry

## Shop With a Cop

December 18, 2022

Due to the success of our fundraising efforts with No Shave November, Officers were permitted to continue growing a beard for the month of December by making a donation of \$25.00 to Shop with a Cop. This was a great opportunity for us to support our community and bring some holiday cheer to several young residents. Due to the pandemic however, several children and their families opted not to come to the group shopping event and instead were given a gift card to spend on whatever they wanted at their convenience. However, a few of the kids elected to participate and everyone had a great time!



The Community Response Team will continue to strive to provide excellence in community policing, and looks forward to serving our residents in 2021.

## **DETECTIVE BUREAU**

In 2021 the Detective Bureau was under the command of Captain Jeremy Young and Sergeant David Speece. The Bureau is divided into two platoons with four general duty detectives assigned to each. In addition, three detectives are assigned to Federal Task Forces, one detective is in charge of the Evidence and Property Room, and one detective handles juvenile cases in addition to assisting other detectives with serious crimes. Detectives work an eight-hour schedule, Monday – Friday with two Detectives “on call” during overnight, weekend and holiday hours. Platoons rotate as a unit every two months and are assigned either the 0800-1600 or the 1600-0000 shift.

The Detective Bureau investigates felony and serious misdemeanor cases primarily forwarded to them from the Uniform Division. In 2021 the Bureau investigated a total of 545 felony and misdemeanor cases which was up from 495 cases in 2020 and 43.47% of those cases in 2021 were closed with an arrest or some type of criminal prosecution. Among other duties, the Detective Bureau conducts background investigations on police applicants and tracks statistics that are reported to Ohio and the Federal Government. Some of these statistics are represented below. In 2021, Ohio and the Federal Government established new mandates. Each police department is now required to submit crime statistics to the Ohio Incident Based Reporting System (OIBRS). In turn, Ohio sends the Crime statistics to the FBI. Uniform Crime Statistics are no longer tabulated and filed each month since that data can be extracted from the monthly O.I.B.R.S. reports.

Each detective managed an average of 60 cases last year. The Detective Bureau had a combined 278 years of experience between its 15 members. However, that experience has dropped in 2021 due to retirements and personnel reassessments.

Detective Russell Toppin, in addition to his assigned duties, is responsible for forwarding case information paperwork to the Juvenile Court, and is the coordinator for the Cleveland Heights Police Department’s diversion program. Fourteen juveniles were offered diversion in 2021 between June and December.

Of those fourteen juveniles offered diversion, five are actively enrolled. Two juveniles successfully completed the diversion program last year. The remaining nine are still waiting to go through the course. This program offers juveniles a way to keep a criminal charge from showing up on their adult record.

Due to a delay in the signing of juvenile diversion program contracts by Cuyahoga County Commissioner Office, no juveniles were referred before June 1, 2021. The COVID-19 virus created a more streamline approach for engagement with juveniles in 2021. Yet, the program was still effective in the overall mission and purpose.

The Detective Bureau is also assigned background investigations for new hires. Seven background checks were completed by our seven certified background investigators. These investigators certify that all prospective employees meet or exceed the department’s code of conduct and minimum qualifications. These detectives

complete home visits, neighbor canvasses, social media investigations and voice stress tests to insure the we are hiring the best qualified people for the job of police officer. We currently have 3 detectives that are certified to run the Voice Stress Analyzer.

Table 1 below shows the 2021 OIBRS Report, tabulated monthly. It contains 62 categories that are reported to Ohio. OIBRS collects information about the age, sex, and race of each victim and suspect. It also collects weapon status, location types, and modus operandi for each crime. Those items are reported but not displayed in the table.

Table 2 shows the 2020 OIBRS Report, tabulated monthly. Cleveland Heights handled 2053 Criminal Cases in 2020 and 2171 Criminal Cases in 2021. A bar graph was produced comparing the total crimes per month from 2020 and 2021. This bar graph only shows the reports that had criminal activity associated with it. The graph does not show the calls for service or reports taken without criminal charges, reference Graph 1 below. Table 3, shows a quarterly breakdown of crimes from 2019 through 2021. It indicates crime trends, up and down, in three-month blocks.

OIBRS also tracks each Use of Force incident. It tracks the demographics of the suspects and the officers involved in each incident. Table 4 shows the Use of Force incidents reported from 2019 through 2021. There is a steady increase in Use of Force incidents. This rise may be due to the increased training and the tendency to over report use of force even when the threshold is not met.

In years past, the FBI was tracking clearance rates for agencies of similar size and population. The last time the FBI posted the national clearance rates was 2019. With the changeover from the UCR (Uniform Crime Reporting) to the NIBRS (National Incident Based Reporting System) reporting system and the fact that each system tracks clearance rates and crimes differently, the FBI is no longer producing the national clearance rates. General clearance rates for Cleveland Heights in 2020 and 2021 are listed below in table 5, but cannot be compared to the National average since those statistics do not exist.<sup>1</sup>

Table 6, below, shows general clearance rates for each Detective in the Bureau. Although these rates give a hard number as to how many cases were cleared by an arrest to warrant issued, it is only one small piece of information used to evaluate the overall effectiveness of each Detective. This clearance rate does not take into account all the other investigative work, case prep, follow ups and case management that each detective does on a daily basis.

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- <sup>1</sup> [National Incident Based Reporting System \(NIBRS\)](#) - As recommended by professional law enforcement organizations, the FBI has made nationwide implementation of NIBRS a top priority because NIBRS can provide more useful statistics to promote constructive discussion, measured planning, and informed policing. To increase participation, the UCR Program is partnering with the Bureau of Justice Statistics on the National Crime Statistics Exchange, working with advocacy groups to emphasize the importance of NIBRS data, and transitioned the UCR Program to a NIBRS-only data collection, as of Jan. 1, 2021. In addition, the UCR Program has made resources available to help agencies address the cost of transitioning, as well as the potential perception that an agency has higher crime levels when NIBRS actually establishes a new baseline that more precisely captures reported crime in a community.

## 2021 OIBRS Crime Statistics

Offense	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
09A - Murder & Nonnegligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	4
09B - Negligent Manslaughter	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
09C - Justifiable Homicide (Not a crime)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100 - Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	5
11A - Rape	4	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	2	2	1	1	16
11B - Sodomy	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
11C - Sexual Assault With An Object	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11D - Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	3
120 - Robbery	5	1	0	2	3	1	3	4	1	5	4	6	35
13A - Aggravated Assault	5	7	9	4	7	11	14	8	5	11	10	5	96
13B - Simple Assault	15	4	6	11	9	11	14	24	11	21	15	15	156
13C - Intimidation	1	0	0	3	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	4	13
200 - Arson	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	5
210 - Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
220 - Burglary/Breaking & Entering	6	5	10	9	9	1	13	5	5	8	7	16	94
23A - Pocket-picking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23B - Purse-snatching	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23C - Shoplifting	8	1	4	1	4	2	3	2	0	8	3	2	38
23D - Theft From Building	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
23E - Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
23F - Theft From Motor Vehicle	7	14	8	6	5	9	16	9	11	8	8	12	113
23G - Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	0	5	3	2	0	3	4	2	5	5	5	7	41
23H - All Other Larceny	12	14	15	8	20	16	26	20	18	14	14	21	198
240 - Motor Vehicle Theft	5	8	4	2	4	9	10	10	10	20	13	3	98
250 - Counterfeiting/Forgery	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
26A - False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	8	6	6	7	9	4	4	4	4	7	4	0	63
26B - Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud	2	3	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	11
26C - Impersonation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26D - Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26E - Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26F - Identity Theft	20	34	43	16	11	2	7	2	14	5	5	6	165
26G - Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
270 - Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
280 - Stolen Property Offenses	5	4	4	0	4	2	2	0	2	1	2	3	29
290 - Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	8	13	14	10	9	6	12	21	9	8	8	6	124

35A - Drug/Narcotic Violations	17	11	17	12	5	3	10	11	8	8	10	8	120
35B - Drug Equipment Violations	9	6	8	3	0	2	6	3	5	2	5	4	53
36A - Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36B - Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
370 - Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	5
39A - Betting/Wagering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
39B - Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
39C - Gambling Equipment Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
39D - Sports Tampering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
40A - Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
40B - Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
40C - Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
510 - Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
520 - Weapon Law Violations	13	8	13	12	12	8	12	6	8	8	8	4	112
64A - Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
64B - Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
720 - Animal Cruelty	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
90A - Bad Checks	3	1	3	2	3	2	1	1	5	1	4	6	32
90B - Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	5
90C - Disorderly Conduct	7	2	5	5	7	6	4	14	7	9	3	6	75
90D - Driving Under the Influence	11	3	6	4	6	3	4	8	11	6	5	9	76
90E - Drunkenness	2	0	4	1	2	1	1	2	1	6	4	7	31
90F - Family Offenses, Nonviolent	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	6
90G - Liquor Law Violations	5	2	3	6	2	4	4	2	5	1	3	0	37
90H - Peeping Tom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
90I - Runaway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
90J - Trespass of Real	4	7	7	8	3	5	5	7	9	5	6	5	71
90Z - All Other Offenses	30	20	22	16	23	21	13	20	19	14	14	20	232
<b>Total</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>2,171</b>

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Table 1

## 2020 OIBRS Crime Statistics

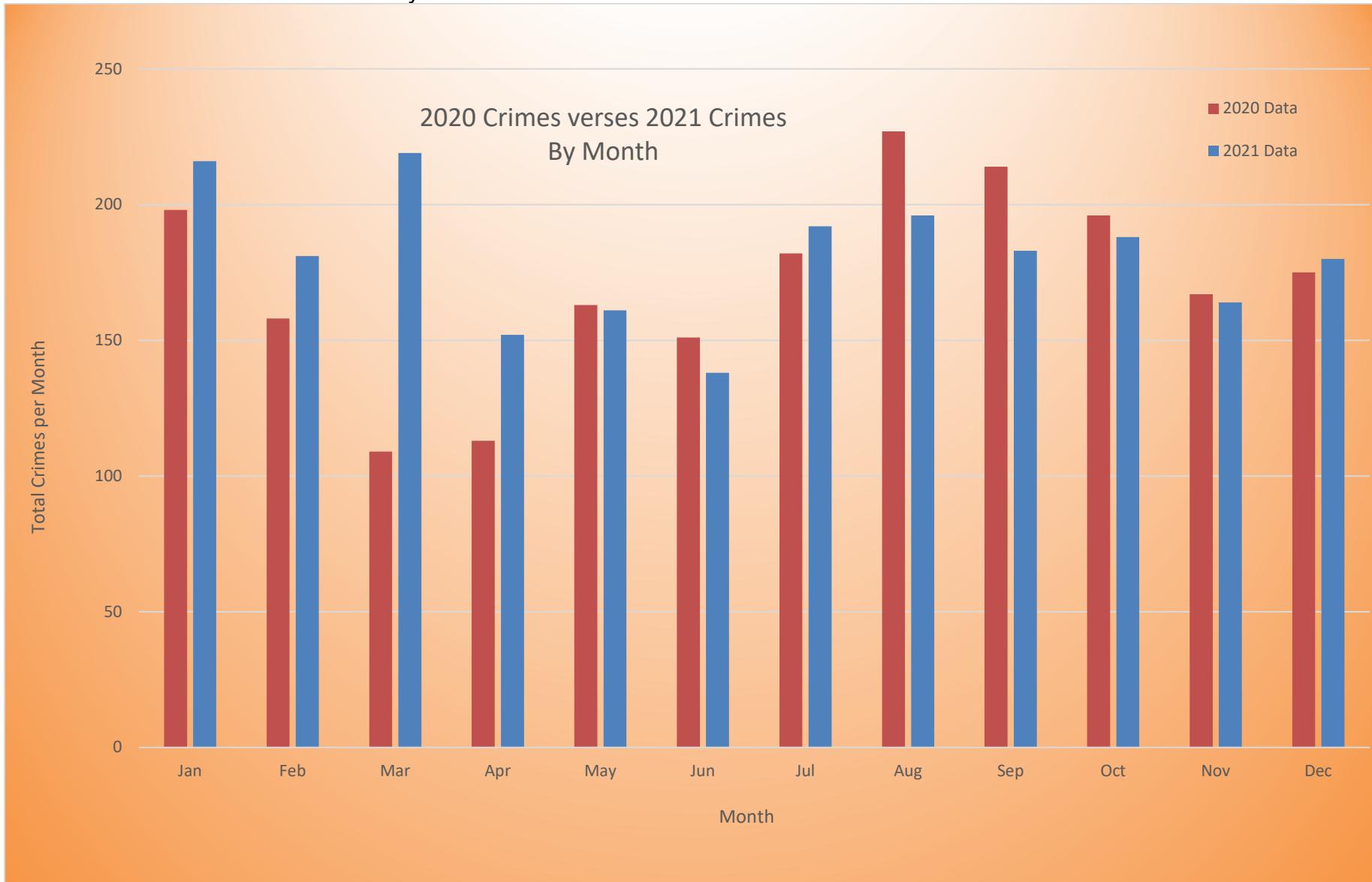
Offense	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
09A - Murder & Nonnegligent Manslaughter	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	6
09B - Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
09C - Justifiable Homicide (Not a crime)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100 - Kidnapping/Abduction	5	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	14
11A - Rape	0	0	1	0	1	2	2	1	0	2	0	1	10
11B - Sodomy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11C - Sexual Assault With An Object	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11D - Fondling	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	6
120 - Robbery	1	0	1	0	2	5	1	0	3	1	1	6	21
13A - Aggravated Assault	7	13	1	12	4	3	10	10	8	12	8	6	94
13B - Simple Assault	15	15	7	6	13	9	13	26	9	11	10	13	147
13C - Intimidation	0	0	1	2	4	3	4	4	0	2	0	1	21
200 - Arson	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	0	6
210 - Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
220 - Burglary/Breaking & Entering	5	9	5	4	7	4	3	8	4	4	6	5	64
23A - Pocket-picking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23B - Purse-snatching	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
23C - Shoplifting	8	3	4	3	4	9	6	13	8	5	7	2	72
23D - Theft From Building	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23E - Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	0	0	0	1	7
23F - Theft From Motor Vehicle	9	10	11	2	9	12	10	17	12	15	5	6	118
23G - Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	0	1	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	4	1	1	13
23H - All Other Larceny	23	13	11	17	18	15	19	14	24	14	18	23	209
240 - Motor Vehicle Theft	3	7	0	4	4	7	4	11	5	13	8	14	80
250 - Counterfeiting/Forgery	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
26A - False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	4	5	8	6	10	5	11	11	9	4	8	7	88
26B - Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	9
26C - Impersonation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26D - Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26E - Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26F - Identity Theft	2	1	5	2	1	2	6	5	2	4	8	9	47
26G - Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
270 - Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
280 - Stolen Property Offenses	6	0	0	1	0	0	2	3	5	4	2	3	26
290 - Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	7	11	6	8	13	12	8	23	26	13	14	12	153
35A - Drug/Narcotic Violations	18	14	6	4	13	6	15	13	15	12	5	6	127
35B - Drug Equipment Violations	9	4	6	3	4	4	6	5	6	3	5	3	58

36A - Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36B - Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
370 - Pornography/Obscene Material	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
39A - Betting/Wagering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
39B - Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
39C - Gambling Equipment Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
39D - Sports Tampering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
40A - Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
40B - Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
40C - Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
510 - Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
520 - Weapon Law Violations	5	7	4	7	7	7	11	13	18	14	12	10	115
64A - Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
64B - Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
720 - Animal Cruelty	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
90A - Bad Checks	2	2	3	3	4	3	3	4	0	3	2	1	30
90B - Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	6
90C - Disorderly Conduct	8	3	4	5	6	10	5	12	5	10	11	6	85
90D - Driving Under the Influence	7	8	1	0	4	2	7	3	9	8	4	6	59
90E - Drunkenness	4	2	0	3	1	1	3	3	3	2	2	1	25
90F - Family Offenses, Nonviolent	2	0	1	2	2	1	2	1	2	0	1	1	15
90G - Liquor Law Violations	9	1	1	1	5	1	6	2	9	2	2	5	44
90H - Peeping Tom	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
90I - Runaway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
90J - Trespass of Real	4	2	3	1	6	6	1	1	2	2	3	3	34
90Z - All Other Offenses	30	22	12	14	14	17	17	19	25	25	21	21	237
Total	198	158	109	113	163	151	182	227	214	196	167	175	2053

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Table 2

## 2020 Crimes verses 2021 Crimes by Month



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Graph 1

# OIBRS Crime

## Quarterly Comparison

### Crime

	2019				2020				2021			
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
09A - Murder & Nonnegligent Manslaughter	1	0	1	0	1	0	4	1	0	2	1	1
09B - Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
09C - Justifiable Homicide (Not a crime)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100 - Kidnapping/Abduction	2	3	1	3	9	1	1	3	0	0	5	0
11A - Rape	1	2	2	2	1	3	3	3	6	2	4	4
11B - Sodomy	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
11C - Sexual Assault With An Object	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11D - Fondling	1	7	1	0	2	1	3	0	0	0	1	2
120 - Robbery	6	9	8	12	2	7	4	8	6	6	8	15
13A - Aggravated Assault	17	12	31	20	21	19	28	26	21	22	27	26
13B - Simple Assault	32	74	65	44	37	28	48	34	25	31	49	51
13C - Intimidation	8	15	4	6	1	9	8	3	1	4	4	4
200 - Arson	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	1	1	2	1
210 - Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
220 - Burglary/Breaking & Entering	23	27	27	34	19	15	15	15	21	19	23	31
23A - Pocket-picking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23B - Purse-snatching	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
23C - Shoplifting	17	24	38	32	15	16	27	14	13	7	5	13
23D - Theft From Building	0	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
23E - Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device	0	0	0	1	0	2	4	1	3	0	0	0
23F - Theft From Motor Vehicle	28	36	26	34	30	23	39	26	29	20	36	28
23G - Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	6	4	5	4	1	4	2	6	8	5	11	17
23H - All Other Larceny	45	86	72	85	47	50	57	55	41	44	64	49
240 - Motor Vehicle Theft	14	16	20	16	10	15	20	35	17	15	30	36
250 - Counterfeiting/Forgery	2	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
26A - False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	3	12	8	9	17	21	31	19	20	20	12	11
26B - Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud	2	6	3	4	5	1	0	3	6	1	2	2
26C - Impersonation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26D - Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26E - Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26F - Identity Theft	12	10	16	6	8	5	13	21	97	29	23	16

26G - Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
270 - Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
280 - Stolen Property Offenses	9	5	10	7	6	1	10	9	13	6	4	6	
290 - Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	44	34	31	30	24	33	57	39	35	25	42	22	
35A - Drug/Narcotic Violations	49	48	32	50	38	23	43	23	45	20	29	26	
35B - Drug Equipment Violations	19	25	22	18	19	11	17	11	23	5	14	11	
36A - Incest	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36B - Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
370 - Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	
39A - Betting/Wagering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
39B - Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
39C - Gambling Equipment Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
39D - Sports Tampering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
40A - Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
40B - Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
40C - Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
510 - Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
520 - Weapon Law Violations	10	11	11	20	16	21	42	36	34	32	26	20	
64A - Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
64B - Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
720 - Animal Cruelty	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
90A - Bad Checks	4	2	5	7	7	10	7	6	7	7	7	11	
90B - Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	6	5	10	2	0	4	1	1	1	0	3	1	
90C - Disorderly Conduct	30	37	44	27	15	21	22	27	14	18	25	18	
90D - Driving Under the Influence	19	12	15	23	16	6	19	18	20	13	23	20	
90E - Drunkenness	19	24	16	9	6	5	9	5	6	4	4	17	
90F - Family Offenses, Nonviolent	2	3	2	1	3	5	5	2	0	3	2	1	
90G - Liquor Law Violations	16	21	28	29	11	7	17	9	10	12	11	4	
90H - Peeping Tom	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
90I - Runaway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
90J - Trespass of Real	8	13	22	17	9	13	4	8	18	16	21	16	
90Z - All Other Offenses	95	77	74	72	64	45	61	67	72	60	52	48	

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Table 3

# Crime

## OIBRS Crime Quarterly Comparison

	2019				2020				2021			
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
09A - Murder & Nonnegligent Manslaughter	1	0	1	0	1	0	4	1	0	2	1	1
09B - Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
09C - Justifiable Homicide (Not a crime)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100 - Kidnapping/Abduction	2	3	1	3	9	1	1	3	0	0	5	0
11A - Rape	1	2	2	2	1	3	3	3	6	2	4	4
11B - Sodomy	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
11C - Sexual Assault With An Object	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11D - Fondling	1	7	1	0	2	1	3	0	0	0	1	2
120 - Robbery	6	9	8	12	2	7	4	8	6	6	8	15
13A - Aggravated Assault	17	12	31	20	21	19	28	26	21	22	27	26
13B - Simple Assault	32	74	65	44	37	28	48	34	25	31	49	51
13C - Intimidation	8	15	4	6	1	9	8	3	1	4	4	4
200 - Arson	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	1	1	2	1
210 - Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
220 - Burglary/Breaking & Entering	23	27	27	34	19	15	15	15	21	19	23	31
23A - Pocket-picking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23B - Purse-snatching	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
23C - Shoplifting	17	24	38	32	15	16	27	14	13	7	5	13
23D - Theft From Building	0	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
23E - Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device	0	0	0	1	0	2	4	1	3	0	0	0
23F - Theft From Motor Vehicle	28	36	26	34	30	23	39	26	29	20	36	28
23G - Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	6	4	5	4	1	4	2	6	8	5	11	17
23H - All Other Larceny	45	86	72	85	47	50	57	55	41	44	64	49
240 - Motor Vehicle Theft	14	16	20	16	10	15	20	35	17	15	30	36
250 - Counterfeiting/Forgery	2	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
26A - False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	3	12	8	9	17	21	31	19	20	20	12	11
26B - Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud	2	6	3	4	5	1	0	3	6	1	2	2
26C - Impersonation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26D - Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

26E - Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26F - Identity Theft	12	10	16	6	8	5	13	21	97	29	23	16	
26G - Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
270 - Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
280 - Stolen Property Offenses	9	5	10	7	6	1	10	9	13	6	4	6	
290 - Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	44	34	31	30	24	33	57	39	35	25	42	22	
35A - Drug/Narcotic Violations	49	48	32	50	38	23	43	23	45	20	29	26	
35B - Drug Equipment Violations	19	25	22	18	19	11	17	11	23	5	14	11	
36A - Incest	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36B - Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
370 - Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	
39A - Betting/Wagering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
39B - Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
39C - Gambling Equipment Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
39D - Sports Tampering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
40A - Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
40B - Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
40C - Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
510 - Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
520 - Weapon Law Violations	10	11	11	20	16	21	42	36	34	32	26	20	
64A - Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
64B - Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
720 - Animal Cruelty	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
90A - Bad Checks	4	2	5	7	7	10	7	6	7	7	7	11	
90B - Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	6	5	10	2	0	4	1	1	1	0	3	1	
90C - Disorderly Conduct	30	37	44	27	15	21	22	27	14	18	25	18	
90D - Driving Under the Influence	19	12	15	23	16	6	19	18	20	13	23	20	
90E - Drunkenness	19	24	16	9	6	5	9	5	6	4	4	17	
90F - Family Offenses, Nonviolent	2	3	2	1	3	5	5	2	0	3	2	1	
90G - Liquor Law Violations	16	21	28	29	11	7	17	9	10	12	11	4	
90H - Peeping Tom	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
90I - Runaway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
90J - Trespass of Real	8	13	22	17	9	13	4	8	18	16	21	16	
90Z - All Other Offenses	95	77	74	72	64	45	61	67	72	60	52	48	

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Table 3

## use of Force 2019 through 2021

Subject	2019	2020	2021
Subject Death	0	0	0
Subject Major Injury	0	1	3
Subject Possible Cardiac Event	0	0	0
Subject Minor Injury	6	2	4
Subject Unknown Injury	0	1	0
Subject No Injury	31	25	41
Knowledge of Subject Injury Pending	0	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>48</b>

Officer	2019	2020	2021
Empty Hand Technique(s)	89	99	122
Chemical Agent/Spray Used	1	0	0
Blunt Instrument Used	0	0	0
Canine Used	0	0	1
Electronic Control Device Discharged	0	0	0
Impact Projectile Used	0	0	0
Flash Bang Used	0	0	0
Vehicle Used	0	0	0
Firearm Fired	0	1	0
Other Weapon (non-firearm) Used	0	0	0
Explosive Device Used	0	0	0
Other Force Type Used	0	6	3
Response Type Pending	0	0	0
Response Type Unknown	1	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>126</b>

Updated 1/12/2022 Table 4

2020 and 2021 Crime Clearance Rates (Specific Crimes)								
	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assaults	Burglary	Theft	Auto Theft	Arson
2020	83.3%	66.7%	44.4%	54.8%	23.8%	16.6%	5.1%	50%
2021	75.0%	47.1%	27.8%	66.1%	13.7%	9.8%	3.1%	66.7%

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Table 5

### Detective Summary 2020 – 2021

## Detective Assignment and Case Closure Rates

Detective	2020 Assigned	2020 Primary	2020 Close w/arrest or other	Warrants Issued no arrests	2020 Clear Rate	2021 Assigned	2021 Primary	2021 Close w/arrest or other	Warrants Issued no arrests	2021 Clear Rate
Moze					-	60	60	16	3	31.67%
Hood					33.3%	55	55	22	0	40.00%
Jakomin	70	61	32	2	55.7%					
Mathis	65	46	11	1	26.1%	60	60	29	2	51.67%
Meekins	44	40	13	4	42.5%	66	66	28	6	51.52%
Pierson	54	50	19	1	40.0%	33	33	5	0	15.15%
Riffe	65	62	22	3	40.3%	53	53	20	4	45.28%
Robinson	98	89	38	8	51.7%	89	89	38	4	47.19%
Salter	49	47	11	3	29.8%	59	59	23	2	42.37%
Toppin	63	60	22	0	36.7%	51	51	19	0	37.25%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>40.40%</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>41.47%</b>

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Table 6

## **CRIME SUPPRESSION TEAM (CST)**

The Crime Suppression Team is a flexible unit responsible for responding to criminal activity within the City, based on crime pattern information and crime trends as identified by C.H.P.D. analysis. As an example, CST investigations have been focused on residential burglaries. Undercover details, arrests and relentless follow up investigations have resulted in a decrease in overall crime. Officers assigned to CST work in “plain clothes” utilizing non-descript undercover vehicles.

The Crime Suppression Team is staffed by Sergeant Christopher Skok, three detectives and one Basic Patrol Commander. Since the establishment of the Crime Suppression Team in January 2012, the team has executed over 267 search warrants, seized over \$4.5 million in currency, numerous weapons to include assault rifles and large amounts of illegal narcotics. The 82 arrests made in 2021 were primarily felony arrests involving illegal narcotics, weapons and crimes of violence. Members work closely with the FBI Violent Crimes Task Force, Drug Enforcement Administration, Cleveland Police Department and other local law enforcement agencies and task forces throughout the state of Ohio.

### **2021 Statistics**

CRIME SUPPRESSION TEAM	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
SEARCH WARRANTS EXECUTED	24	27	21	22	17	28	45	13
ARRESTS BY CST	108	85	76	85	72	78	60	82
HANDGUNS SEIZED	11	10	9	18	21	20	42	18
SHOTGUNS SEIZED	1	0	2	0	0	1	1	3
ASSAULT RIFLES SEIZED	3	0	2	0	0	1	17	0
AK'S SEIZED	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
VEHICLES SEIZED	2	4	0	1	2	1	2	0
CURRENCY SEIZED	\$71,306	\$58,354	\$161,171	\$67,346	\$75,971	\$1,710,437	\$1,852,051	\$49,120
JEWLERY SEIZED			\$500,000					
MARIJUANA	19.8 lbs	84.5 lbs	74.0 lbs	58.8 lbs	6.3 lbs	34.6 lbs	78.62 lbs	31.39 lbs
THC EDDIBLES							164.87 lbs	
THC DISTILLATE						9954 gm	61,842 ml	
THC VAPE PENS						1014		
THC WAX/DABS						56 gm	113 gm	
COCAINE	316 gm	212 gm	204 gm	399.4 gm	369 gm	20,135 gm	616 gm	1159 gm

HEROIN	37 gm	52 gm	2 gm	282.7 gm	12 gm	2,617 gm	7003 gm	30 gm
HEROIN BINDLES			76 Bndls	0	0			
FENTANYL-Powder			2.2 lb	11 gm	6 gm	2107 gm	7413 gm	23 gm
CARFENTANIL						174 gm		
OXY-HYDRO-XANAX							1456 Pills	
MDMA							130 gm	
LSD							920 UD	
METHAMPHETAMINE						1,820 gm	2893 gm	286 gm
FENTANYL-Pill			969 pill	0	0			150 pills

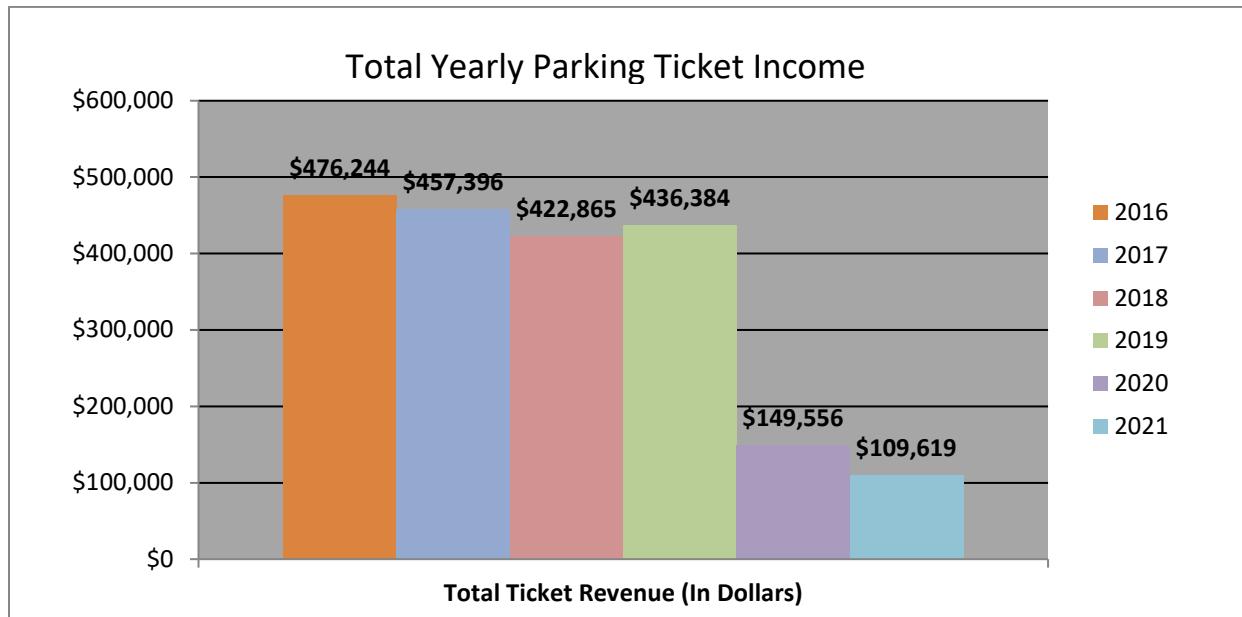
A total of 267 Search Warrants have been executed since the establishment of the Crime Suppression Team,  
January 1, 2012

# **AUXILIARY SERVICES BUREAU**

In 2021, the Auxiliary Services Bureau was under the command of Captain Martin Lentz. In this position, Captain Lentz supervises Animal Control, Records/Data Entry personnel, and the Terminal Agency Coordinator. In addition, Captain Lentz oversees the Fleet Maintenance Unit (in conjunction with Public Works). Captain Lentz also acts as the liaison between the Police Department and the Heights Hillcrest Communication Center.

The Records/Data Entry Unit is staffed by only three full time employees. Personnel in this unit are responsible for the processing of all police reports, approximately 4700 in 2021, requests for public records, parking violation data input, delinquent parking ticket notices, and scheduling.

In 2021, approximately 18,000 parking tickets were issued and revenue totaled \$109,619. While this was a slight increase in the number of parking tickets issued in 2020, the decrease in revenue collected can be directly attributed to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Beginning in March 2020, the City granted free parking at all meters for the remainder of 2020. In addition, restrictions were temporary lifted for 3:00 am – 6:00 am prohibited parking and rush hour zones to accommodate the increase in people working from home. Also, the Police Department was not sending out delinquent parking notices nor producing a tow list for vehicles with at least three unpaid parking tickets. In 2022 however, we have started enforcing all rush hour restrictions and delinquent notices are being sent for all unpaid parking tickets.

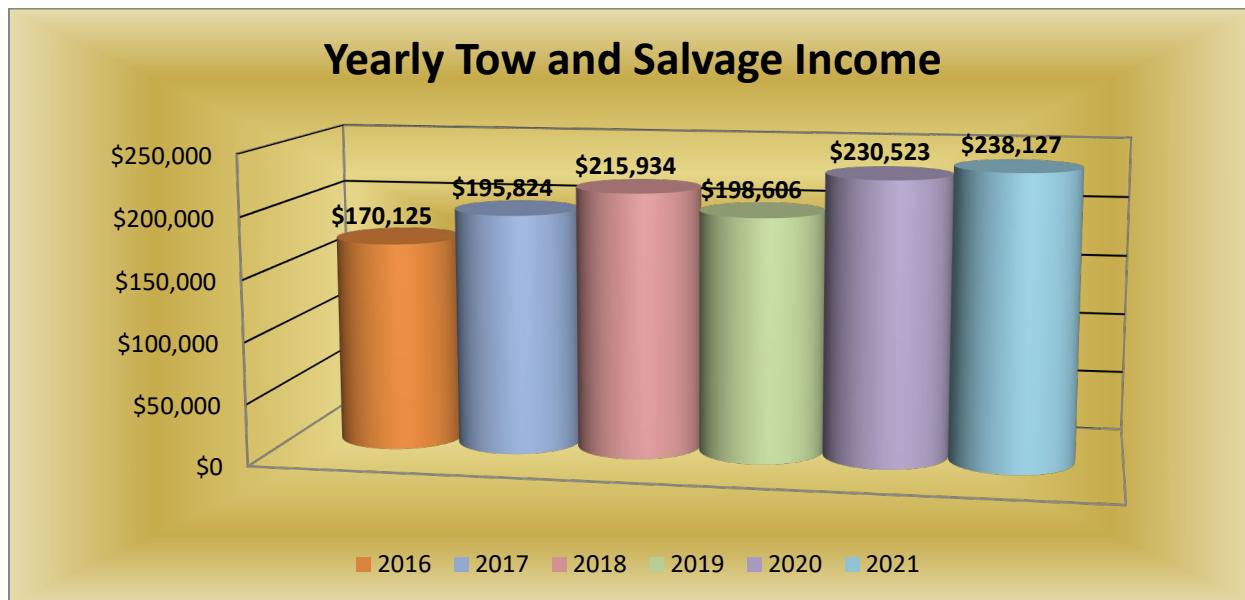


Animal Control is staffed with one Basic Patrol Officer. In 2021 animal complaints included 126 Found Animals, 696 Miscellaneous Animal Complaints, 138 Barking Dog complaints, 75 Animal Complaints involving Deer, 25 Animal Bites, 113 reports of lost animals, 126 reports of found animals and 67 complaints for animal neglect for a total of 1240 calls for service involving animals. This is a slight decrease from 2020 during which the Police Department responded to 1299 calls involving animals. Uniform Division personnel handle the majority of these cases with the officer assigned to this unit handling the more serious incidents, along with follow up investigation, such as dog bites and animal cruelty cases. In addition to his duties, this officer also assists I.T. personnel in the development and maintenance of the Departments CAD/RMS and the in-car computers (MDTs).

The Terminal Agency Coordinator position was held by Basic Patrol Officer Matthew Gerstenfeld, a 25 year veteran of the force. The TAC Officer is responsible for assuring compliance with LEADS standards in the operation of LEADS approved equipment. LEADS, or the Law Enforcement Automated Data System, is the computer network housing all information that law enforcement officers have access to while completing their official duties.

Overall security of the LEADS system falls to the Ohio Highway Patrol. The TAC is directly responsible to the agency administrator for the operation and security of the LEADS system. The TAC is also responsible for training and certification of all police personnel having access to LEADS. In addition, the TAC Officer works with personnel from the Municipal Court regarding the entry and removal of warrants and protection orders.

The Police Department also works closely with Public Works regarding the impounding of motor vehicles. Vehicles are impounded for a variety of reasons including, but not limited to, parking violations, arrests, accidents, and unpaid parking tickets. Motor vehicles that are not claimed after a specified length of time despite proper notification are then salvaged. Below is a chart showing the income generated as a result of vehicles impounded and salvaged.



## Citizen Complaints/Traffic Data

The Cleveland Heights Police Department takes seriously all complaints regarding the service provided by the Department and the conduct of its members.

The Department will accept and address all complaints of misconduct in accordance with this policy and applicable federal, state and local law, municipal and county rules and the requirements of any collective bargaining agreements.

It is also the policy of this department to ensure that the community can report misconduct without concern for reprisal or retaliation.

Each personnel complaint shall be classified with one of the following dispositions:

**Unfounded** - When the investigation discloses that the alleged acts did not occur or did not involve department members. Complaints that are determined to be frivolous will fall within the classification of unfounded.

**Exonerated** - When the investigation discloses that the alleged act occurred but that the act was justified, lawful and/or proper.

**Not sustained** - When the investigation discloses that there is insufficient evidence to sustain the complaint or fully exonerate the member.

**Sustained** - When the investigation discloses sufficient evidence to establish that the act occurred and that it constituted misconduct.

### Citizen Complaints - 2021

Total Complaints: 29

#### Disposition of Complaint

Unfounded – 7

Exonerated – 13

Sustained – 4

Sustained - 5

In 2019, for the first time the Police Department began logging traffic stops and including the race and gender of the driver. While the data is an exact science, it did provide an overview of the number of vehicles stopped along with the race and gender of the driver and disposition of the stop.

The following represents the known data collected in which the race and gender of the driver was reported by the Officer conducting the traffic stop:

<b>Traffic Stop Data - 2021</b>		
Total Number of Traffic Stops: 8128		
<u>All Traffic Stops*</u>	<u>Citation Issued*</u>	<u>Advised/Warning*</u>
Black- 69%	Black – 67%	Black – 70%
White – 20%	White – 26%	White – 20%
Asian – 2%	Asian – 2%	Asian – 2%
Unknown – 9%	Unknown – 5%	Unknown – 8%

\*Citations and warning stats are for the motoring public and not the residential race demographics.

\*Totals listed as unknown reflect data that was either not determined at the time of the issuance or not documented.

\*The overall number of traffic stops used to determine these stats only contained those stops in which the race/gender of driver was accurately reported. Some traffic stops did not contain any data on the driver and therefore were not used to calculate these stats.

# **K9 Unit**

	<u>Ondercin/Dodo</u>	<u>Weir/Rambo</u>	<u>Payne/Otto</u>		<b><u>K9 Unit totals</u></b>
<b>Tracks</b>	17	19	25	<b>Tracks</b>	61
<b>Vehicle/explosive sniffs</b>	19	13	12	<b>Vehicle/explosive sniffs</b>	44
<b>Search Warrants</b>	5	8	0	<b>Search Warrants</b>	13
<b>Article Searches/ Bomb Detail</b>	4	5	6	<b>Article Searches/ Bomb Detail</b>	15
<b>Apprehensions</b>	13	5	1	<b>Apprehensions</b>	19
<b>Building Searches</b>	12	6	5	<b>Building Searches</b>	23
<b>Bites</b>	1	0	0	<b>Bites</b>	1
<b>community relations</b>	7	6	7	<b>community relations</b>	20
<b>assist other departments</b>	15	10	13	<b>assist other departments</b>	38
<b>Total Uses</b>	80	67	68		



Officer Payne and Otto



Officer Weir and Rambo



Investigator Ondercin and Dodo

## **EASTSIDE DEPARTMENTS GROUP ENFORCEMENT(EDGE)**

For the past few years, the Eastside Departments Group Enforcement (EDGE) consisted of six communities: Cleveland Heights, Shaker Heights, Beachwood, Euclid, South Euclid, and University Heights. In 2020, Bratenahl joined EDGE and now the group is comprised of seven communities.

### **SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICE (SWAT)**

All SWAT members have successfully completed a Basic SWAT school through the Ohio Tactical Officers Association (OTOA) or through the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy (OPOTA). Ongoing training occurs twice per month for all members. Currently there 63 Officers on the EDGE SWAT team, 10 of which are from Cleveland Heights. The SWAT team is comprised of not only SWAT officers, but also SWAT medics, K9 officers, negotiators and Bomb Squad Members

### **MOBILE FIELD FORCE (MFF)**

In 2016 CHPD joined several other eastside Police Departments to form a regional Mobile Field Force Unit. The MFF is comprised of 40 officers from the six departments, seven of which are from Cleveland Heights. Members are required to train once a month as a unit. The unit received its initial training through FEMA in Anniston, Alabama. Since their formation, the unit continues to train one day per month.

### **ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION UNIT (AIU)**

The AIU was established in mid-January 2018 and is comprised of nine members, two of which are from Cleveland Heights. The unit trains once per month. One of the biggest benefits of these unit is cost savings, both in personnel and equipment costs associated with investigating serious accidents and fatalities.

*\*The annual report for each of above-mentioned EDGE Unit was not available prior to the completion of this report.*

# **Juvenile Diversion**

On January 21, 2014, the establishment of the Juvenile Diversion/ Mentoring Program was authorized by Cleveland Heights City Council. It was hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and security of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to establish this program so that juveniles may be assisted without undue delay.

## **Mission Statement**

*Our mission, in conjunction with the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas- Juvenile Division is to provide an effective comprehensive alternative to status / unruly and first-time offenders. The program will provide an opportunity for the child along with his/her family to correct self-defeating, life altering behaviors in lieu of an official referral to the juvenile court system*

## **Objectives**

- ▶ To re-direct juvenile offenders from delinquent or anti-social behavior
- ▶ To reduce the recidivism rates of juvenile offenders within the City of Cleveland Heights and surrounding suburbs
- ▶ To decrease the risk factors associated with delinquent behaviors
- ▶ Strengthen and support families through increased parental involvement

## **Criteria**

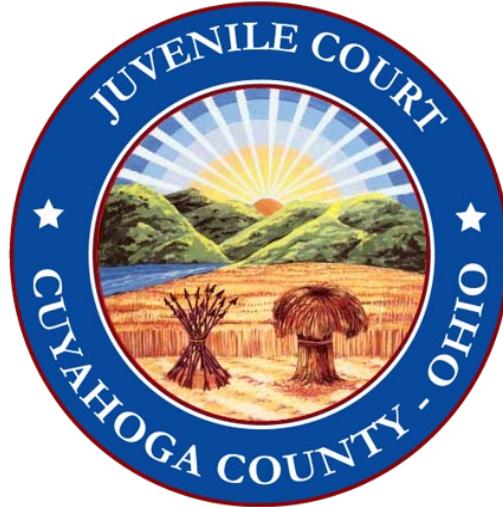
- ▶ Cleveland Heights arrest or referral from CCJCD
- ▶ Offense committed within the city limits of Cleveland Heights and/or resident within the city limits of Cleveland Heights
- ▶ First time offender
- ▶ Non-violent offender
- ▶ Must take full responsibility for offense
- ▶ Parent/ Guardian participation
- ▶ Signed consent form

## How Community Diversion Works

**City of Cleveland Heights**



**Cuyahoga County**



**AND**

The Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court refers eligible candidates for diversion to an appropriate diversion program. In cases where community diversion is deemed appropriate, eligible candidates will be referred to the community diversion program either where they reside or where the offense occurred.

Once the court has referred a child to a community diversion program, the program will contact the parents and child, either by mail or by telephone to inform them that their child is eligible to participate in the community's diversion program, as an alternative to official court action.

The Community Diversion Program is a twelve-month program. Participation commences with a hearing before the community diversion program's volunteer magistrate during which appropriate sanctions or services are determined. Participants must complete the sanctions and follow through with services determined at the hearing. In addition, children must not re-offend within the twelve months following the hearing. Failure to complete sanctions and other program requirements or to abide by program rules will result in termination from the program. Termination from the program may include an official referral to the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court for the original offense.

Participation in any community diversion program is voluntary. No child will be permitted to participate without parental or guardian consent. Parents are required to participate; at least one parent must attend the diversion hearing with the child.

The contract between Juvenile Court and the City of Cleveland Heights to develop and implement the program commenced on March 1, 2014. The program is funded by Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court, Juvenile Division. The City receives \$700/month for program activities. This program offers juveniles a way to keep a criminal charge from showing up on their record.

Detective Toppin is currently assigned to the Detective Bureau and in addition to his duties as program coordinator, he also investigates offenses involving juvenile offenders. In 2021,

fourteen (14) juveniles qualified and were offered acceptance into the Juvenile Diversion program. Of those 14, five actively engaged in the program. Two of the five juveniles that actively engaged successfully completed the program. The remaining nine are pending participation in the program.

Due to a delay in the signing of juvenile diversion program contracts by the Cuyahoga County Commissioner's Office, no juveniles were referred to our program before June 1, 2021. The COVID-19 virus created a more streamline approach of engagement with juveniles in 2021. Yet, it was still effective in it's overall mission and purpose.

Diversion Program continues to partner with the following agencies as we move forward in meeting our goals:

Bellfaire JCB

Lake Erie Ink

# Continued Professional Training

In 2021 the State of Ohio did not require any mandatory Continued Professional Training for Police Officers. However, CHPD continues to train its Police Officers above and beyond what is required by exploring and implementing training programs for our Police Officers.

Members of the Department received extensive training in many different fields of study. The following is a list of topics studied by CHPD personnel in recent years:

- Procedural Justice and Police Legitimacy
- Interacting with & De-escalating Special Needs Population
- Computer Data Recovery
- Active Shooter Preparation
- Search Warrant Preparation and Execution
- Patrol Drug Operations
- Conducting Background Investigations
- Reid Technique for Interviewing
- Mid-level Management
- Hazmat & WMD Awareness for the First Responder
- Combat Marksmanship
- Great Lakes Leadership Seminar
- Internal Investigations
- Evidence Technician
- Less lethal munitions
- Crisis Intervention Team Training
- Police Training Officer (train the trainer)
- Basic Crime Scene
- Special Needs Population and LE
- Critical Survival Skills for LE
- Firearms Instructor
- Traffic Collision – Vehicle Dynamics
- Internet Investigations
- Latent Print development
- Sexual Assault Investigations.
- Cross Culture Communications
- Counter Ambush Tactics for Law Enforcement
- Internet Investigations
- Bias Crimes Investigations
- Fraudulent Documentation Investigation
- Drug ID and Field Testing
- BAC Data Master Senior Operator (Alcohol Testing Equipment – OVI cases)
- Arrest – Search and Seizure
- Physical Fitness Specialist
- Radar/Lidar Instructor
- Warrant Service/Tactical Team Training
- Police Executive & Administrative Leadership School
- Palm Print Comparisons
- Advanced SWAT Training
- Human Relations
- Core Criminal Investigation
- Heroin Epidemic
- Hostage Negotiations – Advanced
- Procedural Justice
- Domestic Terrorism
- Interacting with the Muslim Population
- Survival Spanish
- Suicide Intervention
- Patrol Drug Operations

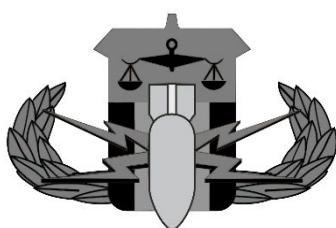
# **Bomb Squad**

The EDGE Bomb Squad (formally Cleveland Heights Bomb Squad) is responsible for the safe disposal of explosives and improvised explosive devices. The EDGE Bomb Squad is comprised of members from three agencies: Cleveland Heights Police Dept, Beachwood Police Dept, and the University Heights Police Dept. The Bomb Squad currently has three bomb techs; Bomb Squad Commander Lt. Michael Meilstrup (CHPD), Bomb Tech Det. Mike Mathis (CHPD), Bomb Tech Ptl Luis Reyna (BPD) and Ptl Josh Stanton (UHPD) who will be certified in 2022. Additionally, there are two bomb tech assistants in Matthew Gerstenfeld and Robert McKeown. The members of this unit responded to 21 calls for service in 2021 that include: possible improvised explosive devices, suspicious packages, bomb threats, military ordinance, volatile chemicals, explosive recovery and dangerous fireworks. In addition, the bomb squad disposed of hundreds of pounds of ammunition and confiscated fireworks from surrounding communities.

Assignment to the Bomb Squad is a collateral responsibility, meaning each team member has another primary law enforcement assignment such as patrol or investigations. Each team member must attend the FBI's Hazardous Devices School at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, Alabama. This course is a six week, two hundred forty-hour course that teaches bomb technicians how to safely handle, identify and render safe explosives and improvised explosive devices. They must re-certify every three years at the Hazardous Devices School. Team members train twice a month locally and attend other training courses throughout the year. In 2021, bomb squad members attended Advanced Explosive Disposal Techniques (Mar 1-12, ATF Huntsville), Post Blast Investigations (Aug 23-27, Summit County), Stabilization Sustainment Training (Sept 27-Oct 1, Huntsville) and HDS Certification Course (Oct 25-Nov 24, Huntsville). In addition to the bomb disposal training, each member has attended and successfully completed Hazardous Materials Technician training. This prepares them to work in chemical and biological environments while performing their duties.

The Bomb Squad conducts other activities such as Dignitary Protection, Bomb Sweeps, Support to the SWAT Team, Public Safety Displays, Community Events (Cedar Fairmount Festival) and Educational Presentations. In September 2021, the Bomb Squad was re-accredited through the Federal Bureau of Investigations.

The Bomb Squad has an array of specialized equipment, including bomb suits, disrupters and portable x-ray systems. However, one of the most valuable and versatile pieces of equipment is the ANDROS F6A Robot. This robot has a variety of tools that will allow the bomb technicians to observe a suspected device and attempt to render it safe without going down range and putting their hands on it. The robot has the capability of deploying x-ray systems, disrupters, and air/chemical monitors.



# **CHPD HONOR GUARD**

*“Honor-Respect-Service”*

The Cleveland Heights Honor Guard unit is comprised of volunteer members of the Police Department and is headed by Inv. Michael Mathis, Corporal of the Guard. The unit is activated for memorial events, funerals, parades and other formal occasions. Other Cleveland Heights Police Officers who comprise the Honor Guard include: Detective Thomas Rini; Officer Sean Hinkle; and Officer Dallas Guyton. Annually members of the Honor Guard visit the gravesites of fallen officers to honor their service and sacrifice.



# Community Support & Appreciation

Throughout the year, but especially around the holidays, the Police Department receives donations of food and other goodies from residents, business owners, and other community stakeholders. The men and women of the Police Department would like to thank everyone for the support and generosity that they have shown us during the year.

