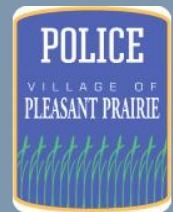


Annual Report



PLEASANT PRAIRIE POLICE DEPARTMENT



FY 2015

The past year has been an active one for our organization. I hope that you will review the statistics and photos we have offered in this annual report. ~Chief David Smetana

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**Annual Report completed by:
Lt. Randy Myles**



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From the Chief of Police

MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Pleasant Prairie Police Department to be the model of excellence in policing by building partnerships with our community and others to:

FIGHT crime and the fear of crime;

ENFORCE laws while safeguarding the constitutional rights of all people;

CREATE a work environment in which we recruit, train, and develop an exceptional team of employees.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

It is my pleasure to present Annual Report of the Pleasant Prairie Police Department for your review. The dedicated staff of the Police Department continued to partner with citizens, Village government, southeast Wisconsin law enforcement agencies, and other stakeholders to improve the quality of life in the community by providing the highest quality professional police services.



While 2015 was a challenging year for law enforcement across the country, we made it our mission to continue the tradition of delivering outstanding police services. While it is evident in our daily activity, but difficult to represent on a chart, we forged partnerships with the public every day, on every call, and on every contact we had. Your Pleasant Prairie Police Department enjoys immense public support and we work daily to earn it.

This year our officers tracked down those people in society who have no concern for other people, or their property. We placed a special emphasis on going after those who would prey on the most vulnerable in our community, and we did so effectively. We made it our goal to help

stop human trafficking and other crimes against children, and grew our partnerships with other southeast Wisconsin law enforcement agencies and our federal law enforcement partners to accomplish it.

We did not stop there. This year patrol officers, investigators, and the police administration have worked together to bring other criminals suspects to justice. We have arrested drug dealers who poison our streets. We have counseled battered and abused women and children, conducting interviews on those who have done unspeakable things to the weakest in our society. Through our community policing efforts, we have made differences in the lives of children and families by addressing those quality of life issues that are so critical to our enviable quality of life in Pleasant Prairie.

Our officers continue to reach out on their own as well with efforts such as Shop-with-a-Cop, InVEST, and Special Olympics. We understand our profound responsibility to those who need an extra hand during

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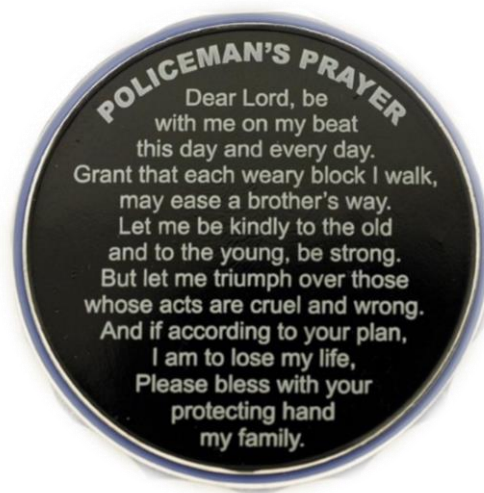
difficult times. As the Chief of Police, I am proud to admit that many of these efforts are originated by the line officers of our Department; their commitment and care never ceases to amaze me.

I believe my officers joined this profession with their eyes wide open, understanding both the risks and rewards of this difficult assignment. Each of them are extraordinary individuals; despite all of the things they see and experience every day, they come back the following day prepared to do it all over again on their next shift

Respectfully,

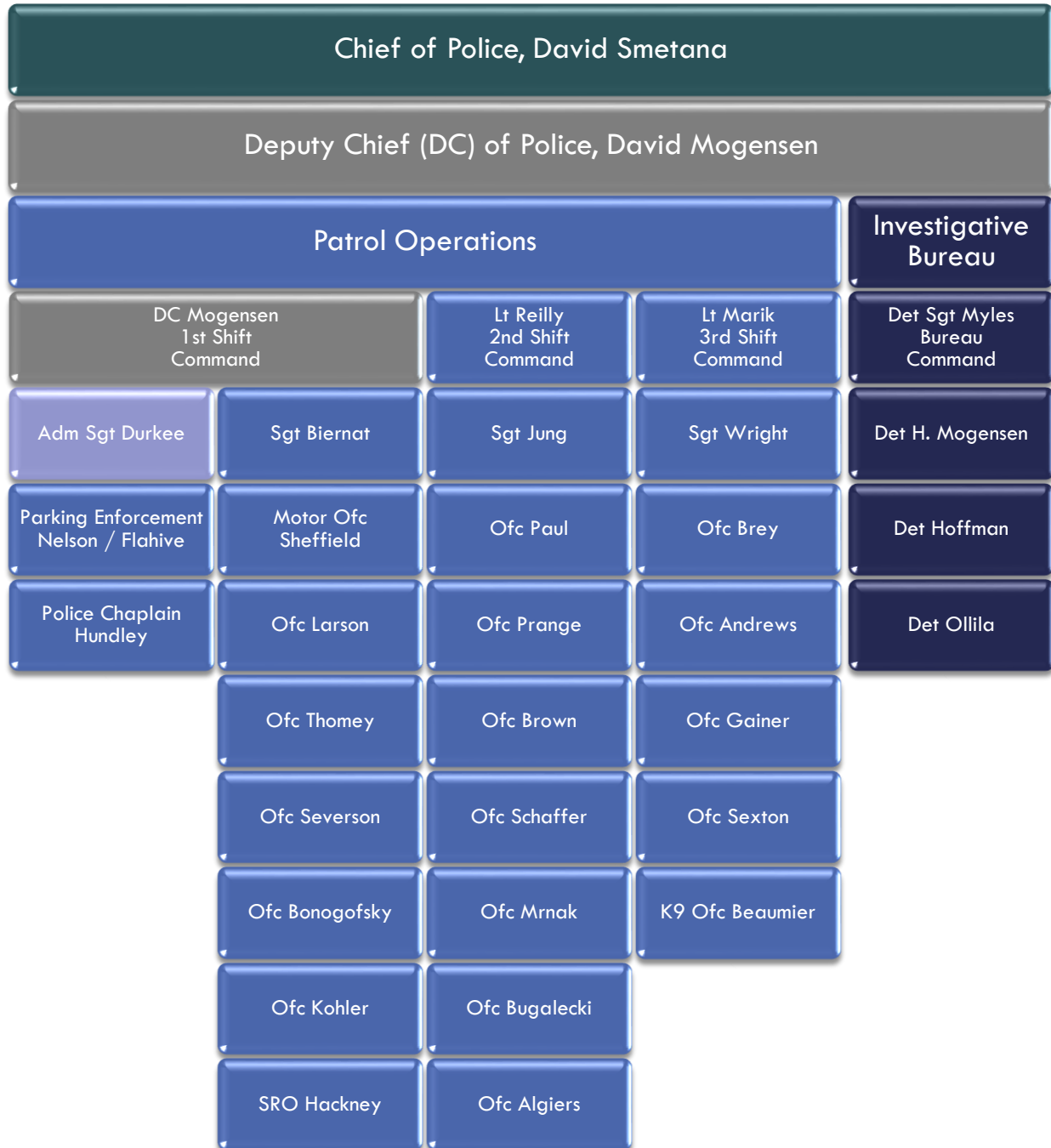
David B. Smetana

Chief of Police



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ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



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Citizen Comment Cards

The image displays five Citizen Comment Cards from the Pleasant Prairie Police. Each card contains a series of questions about the quality of police service, with handwritten 'Yes' or 'No' answers and additional comments. The cards are arranged in a collage, showing different perspectives from citizens.

Card 1 (Top Left): CASE NUMBER 15-14641

- 1. Was your phone call to the police department handled in a prompt, courteous and professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2. Did the officer arrive within a reasonable period of time? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 3. Was the officer friendly and did he/she show a proper amount of concern? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 4. Did the officer conduct him/herself in a professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 5. In this case, were you satisfied with the overall quality of the police response? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 6. We would appreciate any comments you would care to provide The officer was kind and helpful. I appreciated his help. I applaud all those who protect and serve their communities.

Thank you for your help. Please affix postage to the reverse side of this card and return by mail.
police@ppprairie.com

Card 2 (Top Right): CASE NUMBER 15-16101

- 1. Was your phone call to the police department handled in a prompt, courteous and professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2. Did the officer arrive within a reasonable period of time? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 3. Was the officer friendly and did he/she show a proper amount of concern? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 4. Did the officer conduct him/herself in a professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 5. In this case, were you satisfied with the overall quality of the police response? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 6. We would appreciate any comments you would care to provide We appreciated the apprehension of the individual and the manner of police officers. Thank you!

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Card 3 (Middle): CASE NUMBER 15-15472

- 1. Was your phone call to the police department handled in a prompt, courteous and professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2. Did the officer arrive within a reasonable period of time? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 3. Was the officer friendly and did he/she show a proper amount of concern? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 4. Did the officer conduct him/herself in a professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 5. In this case, were you satisfied with the overall quality of the police response? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 6. We would appreciate any comments you would care to provide Officer Kohler was fantastic! He responded to my phone calls and was very courteous and caring. A++

Thank you for your help. Please affix postage to the reverse side of this card and return by mail.
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Card 4 (Bottom Left): CASE NUMBER 15-7735

- 1. Was your phone call to the police department handled in a prompt, courteous and professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2. Did the officer arrive within a reasonable period of time? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 3. Was the officer friendly and did he/she show a proper amount of concern? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 4. Did the officer conduct him/herself in a professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 5. In this case, were you satisfied with the overall quality of the police response? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 6. We would appreciate any comments you would care to provide Prairie has responded twice to both my calls efficiently and professionally. Keep up the good work!

Thank you for your help. Please affix postage to the reverse side of this card and return by mail.
police@ppprairie.com

Card 5 (Bottom Right): CASE NUMBER 15-06938

- 1. Was your phone call to the police department handled in a prompt, courteous and professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2. Did the officer arrive within a reasonable period of time? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 3. Was the officer friendly and did he/she show a proper amount of concern? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 4. Did the officer conduct him/herself in a professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 5. In this case, were you satisfied with the overall quality of the police response? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 6. We would appreciate any comments you would care to provide The officer was extremely helpful calming me down - I was very upset & took care of my car & I want to thank her again!

Thank you for your help. Please affix postage to the reverse side of this card and return by mail.
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CASE NUMBER 15-06337

1. Was your phone call to the police department handled in a prompt, courteous and professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. Did the officer arrive within a reasonable period of time? ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. Was the officer friendly and did he/she show a proper amount of concern? ☒ Yes ☐ No
4. Did the officer conduct him/herself in a professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
5. In this case, were you satisfied with the overall quality of the police response? ☒ Yes ☐ No
6. We would appreciate any comments you would care to provide Everyone was very kind and considerate

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CASE NUMBER 15-10796

1. Was your phone call to the police department handled in a prompt, courteous and professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. Did the officer arrive within a reasonable period of time? ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. Was the officer friendly and did he/she show a proper amount of concern? ☒ Yes ☐ No
4. Did the officer conduct him/herself in a professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
5. In this case, were you satisfied with the overall quality of the police response? ☒ Yes ☐ No
6. We would appreciate any comments you would care to provide Officer Hackney was very nice + seemed concerned about my vehicle. I was very concerned about my questions were answered.

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CASE NUMBER 15-4070

1. Was your phone call to the police department handled in a prompt, courteous and professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. Did the officer arrive within a reasonable period of time? ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. Was the officer friendly and did he/she show a proper amount of concern? ☒ Yes ☐ No
4. Did the officer conduct him/herself in a professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
5. In this case, were you satisfied with the overall quality of the police response? ☒ Yes ☐ No
6. We would appreciate any comments you would care to provide AS A SENIOR CITIZEN APPRECIATED OFFICERS PATIENT WHEN I WAS TRYING TO RECALL THINGS TAKEN FROM MY CAR. FROM I-NO THE RFE IS 10+ THANK YOU.

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CASE NUMBER 15-11348 126

1. Was your phone call to the police department handled in a prompt, courteous and professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No N/A
2. Did the officer arrive within a reasonable period of time? ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. Was the officer friendly and did he/she show a proper amount of concern? ☒ Yes ☐ No
4. Did the officer conduct him/herself in a professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
5. In this case, were you satisfied with the overall quality of the police response? ☒ Yes ☐ No
6. We would appreciate any comments you would care to provide OFFICER SHEPHERD WAS VERY HELPFUL + FRIENDLY DURING INTERVIEW PROCESS! JUST WANT TO SAY THANKS FOR YOUR SERVICE!

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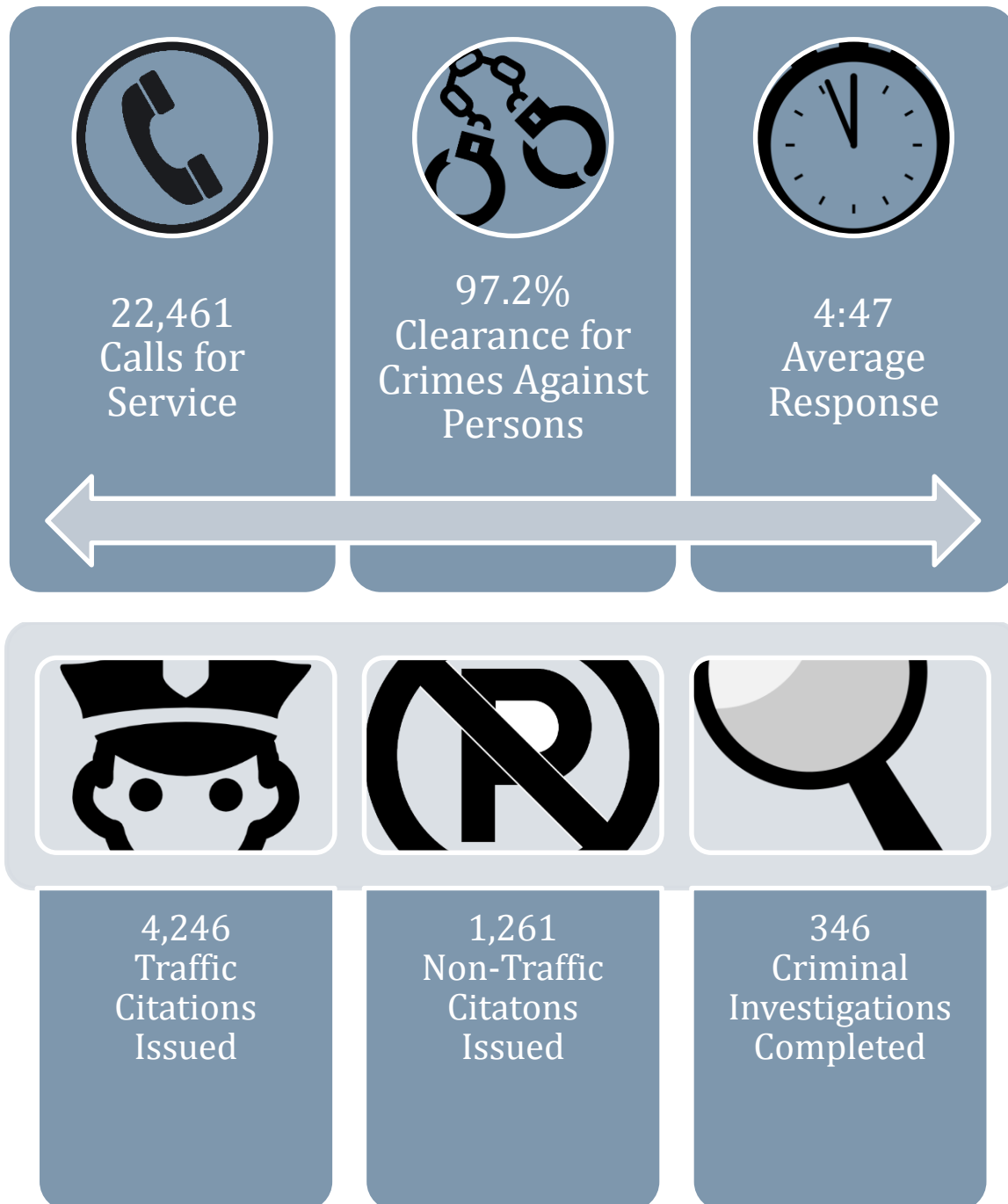
CASE NUMBER 15-13981

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3. Was the officer friendly and did he/she show a proper amount of concern? ☒ Yes ☐ No
4. Did the officer conduct him/herself in a professional manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No
5. In this case, were you satisfied with the overall quality of the police response? ☒ Yes ☐ No
6. We would appreciate any comments you would care to provide THE OFFICER WAS VERY PROFESSIONAL AND DID A GREAT JOB. I APPRECIATE ALL THAT SHE DID.

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At a Glance



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Personnel

AWARDS

Lifesaving Award



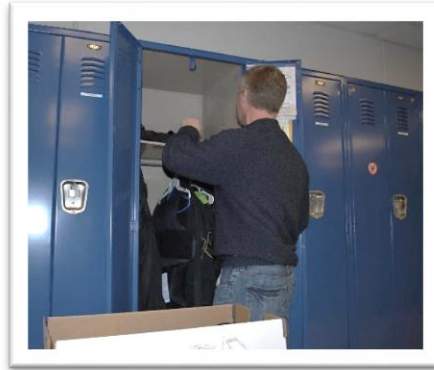
On December 26, 2015, Officer Sanford Severson responded for a report of an unresponsive person in a private residence. Officer Severson was in the area and after arriving initiated CPR four minutes prior to Village of Pleasant Prairie Fire/EMS arrival. On arrival of Fire and Rescue units Officer Severson continued with effective compressions while EMS worked on the patient. Although the long term patient outcome was not positive, the early onset of effective CPR by Officer Severson played a large role in the achievement of return of spontaneous circulation.

PROMOTIONS

None

RETIREMENTS

None. However, Deputy Chief of Police Dave Mogensen and Officer Bill Larson are scheduled to retire in early 2016. They spent the last part of 2015 preparing for the next journey in their lives.



NEW HIRES

None. The application process was started at the end of 2015 in preparation of hiring four new officers in 2016.

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Authorized Staffing

ADMINISTRATIVE



Chief Smetana



Deputy Chief D. Mogensen



Admin Sergeant Durkee

FIRST SHIFT INVESTIGATIONS



Detective Sergeant Myles



Detective H. Mogensen



Detective Hoffman

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FIRST SHIFT PATROL



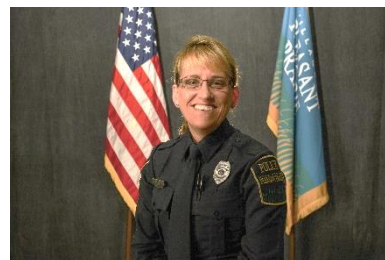
Sergeant Biernat



Motor Officer Sheffield



Officer Larson



Officer Thomey



Officer Severson



Officer Bonogofsky



Officer Kohler

School Resource Officer (SRO) Hackney (not pictured)

SECOND SHIFT INVESTIGATIONS



Detective Ollila

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SECOND SHIFT PATROL



Lieutenant Reilly



Sergeant Jung



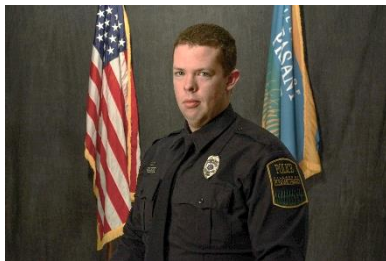
Officer Paul



Officer Prange



Officer Brown



Officer Schaffer



Officer Mrnak



Officer Bugalecki



Officer Algiers

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THIRD SHIFT PATROL



Lieutenant Marik



Sergeant Wright



Officer Brey



Officer Andrews



Officer Gainer



Officer Sexton



K9 Officer Beaumier

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COMMUNICATIONS



Law Enforcement Support
Manager Rivera



Public Safety Communications
Supervisor Hendrickson



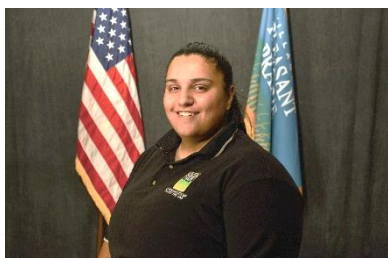
Dispatcher Schaffer



Dispatcher Wendt



Dispatcher Drainville



Dispatcher Meyer



Dispatcher Gildenstern



Dispatcher Miller (not pictured)

LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT



Jan Legler, Executive Secretary



Roger Smith, Records



Rob Nelson, Parking Enforcement

Community Involvement

HUMANE SOCIETY & NAMASTE EQUINE RESCUE

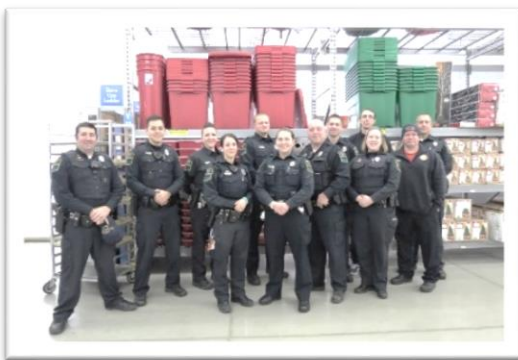


2015 continued our relationship with Safe Harbor Humane Society. Safe Harbor was extremely helpful to us at one time in providing medical expertise and boarding of numerous animals. The Pleasant Prairie Police Department had wanted to help get more animals from Safe Harbor adopted, so we now have "PPPD's Pet of the Month" on Facebook. Petco of Kenosha continues to assist us by handing out flyers.

Dr. Rivera and his wife Michelle, from The Healing Oasis Wellness Center in Sturtevant, are still our go-to group when large animals need help. They have opened Namaste Equine Rescue, LTD., with a mission to procure equines seized by law enforcement, primarily serving the State of Wisconsin, to rehabilitate them mentally and physically and re-home them in a

safe, forever environment.

Detective Heather Mogensen is now a trained Humane Officer and has attended training on large animal rescue. The class had a practical scenario to teach how to move an injured animal in a safe way for the rescue workers, as well as the animal. The class used horse mannequins that weighed over 800 pounds and had movable legs to simulate a real horse. The Village of Pleasant Prairie has many hobby horse farms as well as cattle farms for which these techniques can be used.



SHOP WITH A COP

Each December, the Pleasant Prairie Professional Police Association holds its Shop with a Cop event. The purpose of Shop with a Cop is to help struggling families during the holiday season and to foster positive relations between local youth and officers. Each year the Police Department takes 15 to 20 elementary school children shopping at Wal-Mart. The children are given anywhere from \$100 to \$200 (depending on the donation level for the year) to pick out holiday gifts for themselves and their family

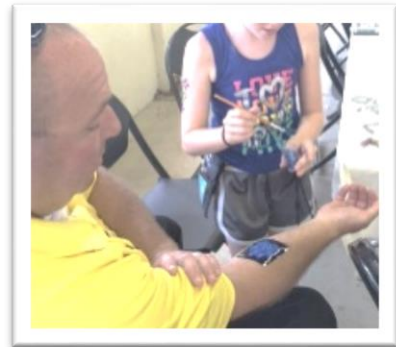
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members; the children then shop with their own personal officer. Once the children have picked out their gifts, the presents are wrapped, and snacks are provided. The Police Association also provides the families with a \$50 gift card to Woodman's, to insure they can have a family holiday meal. The children are nominated by the Pleasant Prairie Police and Fire Departments, along with local elementary schools. The program is funded by donations from the community. Each year Wal-Mart provides a generous donation; however, most of our donations come from Pleasant Prairie residents.

KIDS CAMP

Members of our Department had the honor of participating in Kids Camp this summer. The program is from C.O.P.S. (Concerns of Police Survivors) and is for surviving children, ages 6-14, of law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty.

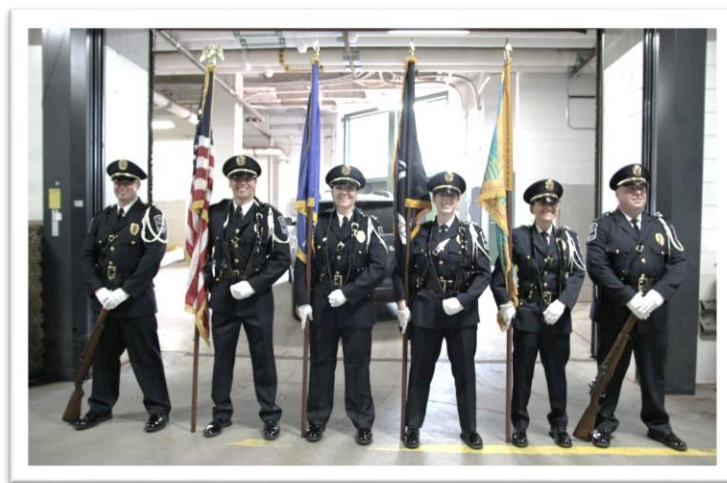
The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and their wardens help provide the kids with a week long list of activities including fishing, canoeing, archery, arts and crafts and swimming. We would like to thank everyone for an awesome week and allowing us to be a part of it.



HONOR GUARD

The main goals of the Honor Guard are to honor law enforcement officers from all over the nation and to serve the community of Pleasant Prairie as a representative group from the Police Department.

The Honor Guard is responsible for a variety of services including upholding traditions of the police service; presentation and preservation of federal, state, and local flags; ceremony preparation and participation; and organization of services to Department members at the time of due respects.



Investigative Bureau Operations

MAJOR CRIME INVESTIGATIONS

The primary function of the Investigative Bureau is to conduct follow-up investigations of reported crime activities including, but not limited to: homicides, assaults, sex crimes, fraud, and thefts.

These investigations consist of interviewing suspects, victims, and witnesses; analyzing information for validity, reliability, and accuracy; and compiling a comprehensive and factual case file to be presented in court.

The Investigative Bureau's mission is the protection of persons, the apprehension of criminals, the recovery of property, and the prevention of crime.

CRIME PREVENTION



The Pleasant Prairie Neighborhood Watch program is intended for anyone who would like to feel safer in their neighborhood. It is not a vigilante program, nor is it a program of citizens on patrol in their neighborhoods. It is a program that encourages neighbors to get to know each other, to watch out for each other, and to call the police when something just doesn't seem right.

The driving force behind starting a Neighborhood Watch program is the prevention and reduction of crime. Once the program is in place, it can be used as a forum for training in other areas such as Fire Prevention and Disaster Preparedness. It can also become the basis for block parties and other social events.

SOCIAL MEDIA

The Pleasant Prairie Police Department continues partnering with www.CrimeReports.com, a website that maps recent crime trends across North America. On a rolling basis, the Pleasant Prairie Police Department provides www.CrimeReports.com with five days worth of data to populate their interactive mapping site.

You can visit www.CrimeReports.com in order to see current criminal trends in the Village and can submit tips related to potential criminal activity. Sex offender data is also available through www.CrimeReports.com.

The Pleasant Prairie Police Department uses several other methods to make data available to residents and media alike. These include: Facebook, Twitter, and Nixle. A daily incident log is also posted on www.pleasantprairieonline.com.



Criminal Investigation Notable Cases

DAVID AND PAULA WHITE MISTREATMENT OF ANIMALS

At 1:22 a.m. on Thursday, March 19, 2015, Pleasant Prairie Public Safety Dispatchers received a report of an active house fire in the 1800 block of 128th Street. In response to the call, Pleasant Prairie Fire & Rescue activated a Mutual Aid Box Alarm (MABAS) calling a network of area fire departments to assist in fighting the fire. Once the fire was brought under control, Pleasant Prairie Police, Pleasant Prairie Fire & Rescue, and State Fire Marshals with the State of Wisconsin - Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) began investigating the cause of the fire. During the course of the investigation, the remains of two individuals and a dog were located in the house.

On March 21, the identities of the two bodies found in the house were confirmed to be that of Paula and David White. The identifications were made by the Milwaukee County Medical Examiner's Office with the assistance of the Kenosha County Medical Examiner's Office. Dental records were used in the identification process.

The couple never appeared in court Thursday, March 19, for the close of the nine-day jury trial on charges that they fatally starved horses at their Pleasant Prairie property. Despite the Whites' absence in court, the two were each convicted of 11 counts of felony mistreatment of animals causing death and two misdemeanor charges of providing improper shelter to animals.

The Milwaukee County Medical Examiner's Office and the Kenosha County Medical Examiner's Office have ruled the death of Paula White, who sustained two gunshot wounds to the head, a homicide and the death of David White, who sustained a single gunshot wound to the head, a suicide. The gunshot wounds for both parties were listed as the cause of death. The dog also sustained a gunshot wound. The findings are consistent with information developed by the Pleasant Prairie Police Department and evidence located at the scene of the March 19, 2015 fire.

LANDT AND WENCKEBACH CONVICTIONS

After almost one and a half years, fall of 2015 brought a close to the hidden camera investigation and trail of Karl Landt and Melissa Wenckebach. Landt spent four years compiling more than 20,000 hours of pornographic videos to satisfy his sexual fetishes. Many of those videos were recorded by his girlfriend, Melissa Wenckebach, at his direction, inside women's locker rooms. Landt will serve 12 years of initial confinement in prison, followed by 24 years of extended supervision by the Wisconsin Department of Corrections. He still faces 20 counts of possession of child pornography in Illinois. Wenckebach will serve 6 years in prison, followed by extended supervision for her role in these crimes.

SENIOR CAMPUS INTERNAL THEFT ARREST

In June of 2015, Pleasant Prairie Police were able to identify and arrest an individual who was entering locked apartments with the intent to steal. The crimes occurred over an extended period. Detectives were able to determine the suspect was a key holder with access to the buildings and apartments.

Patrol Bureau Operations

MOTORCYCLE UNIT

The Pleasant Prairie Police Department has one Harley Davidson motorcycle which is operated by First Shift Motor Officer Tim Sheffield. The motorcycle is used during the spring, summer, and fall. Besides being used for normal patrol, it is used for traffic enforcement and for special events such as triathlons and parades.



CRASH RECONSTRUCTION



The Pleasant Prairie Police Department has a team of officers and detectives specially trained for the investigation and reconstruction of major traffic crashes. Our crash investigation team uses a Trimble Total Station laser surveying system to take the measurements which are then downloaded into a computer aided drawing system to produce three dimensional drawings and animations. The software can also calculate vehicle speeds based on the evidence collected. All of this information can be used for criminal prosecution and civil litigation.

TRAFFIC SAFETY

Pleasant Prairie Police are committed to traffic education, engineering, enforcement, and emergency response. The focus of our efforts is to change driver behavior and reduce unsafe driving practices. Traffic safety continued to be a priority in 2015 with officers working grant funded Click It or Ticket events, Safe and Sober details, and other DUI and traffic-related enforcement projects.



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CANINE

K9 Officer Scott Beaumier is the handler of “Echo”, a mix of German Shepherd and Belgian Malinois. Echo is considered a multi-purpose police dog that can assist in tracking people, lost children, people with dementia, and suspects attempting to evade officers. Echo can also perform drug searches and provide officer protection during escalated events.



PARKING ENFORCEMENT

The primary responsibility of the Parking Enforcement Officer is to patrol assigned areas (specifically RecPlex, Prairie Springs Park and designated retail establishments) enforcing the Village of Pleasant Prairie’s Parking Ordinances by issuing tickets to overtime parking violators and illegally parked vehicles. The Parking Enforcement Officer also works closely with the Community Development Department by assisting in investigating and enforcing Village ordinance violations.

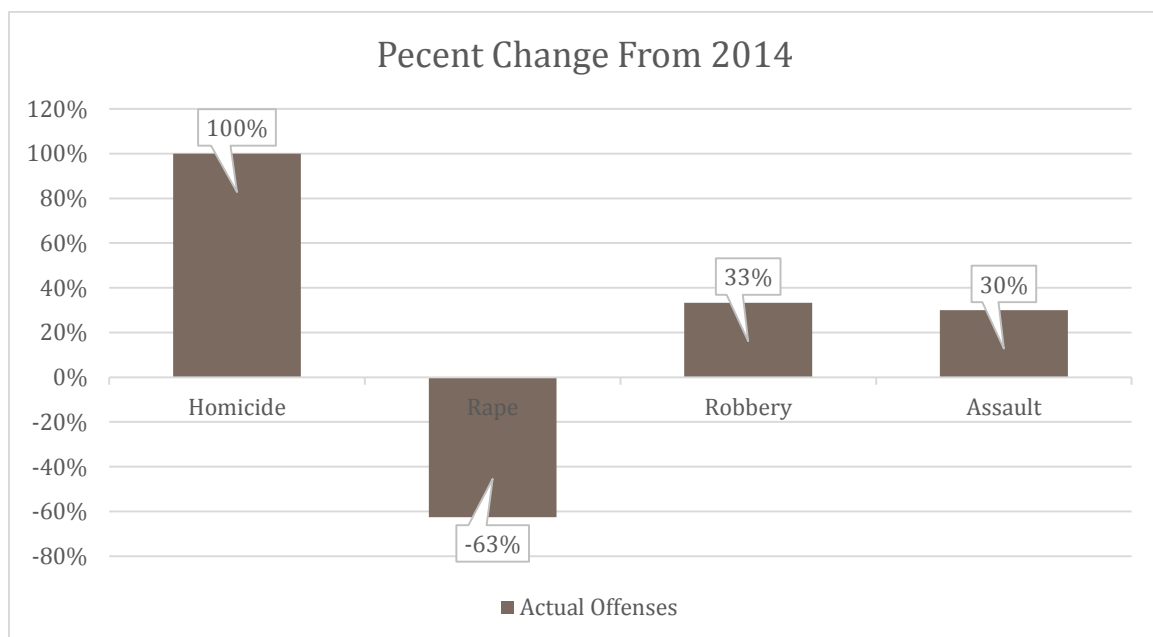
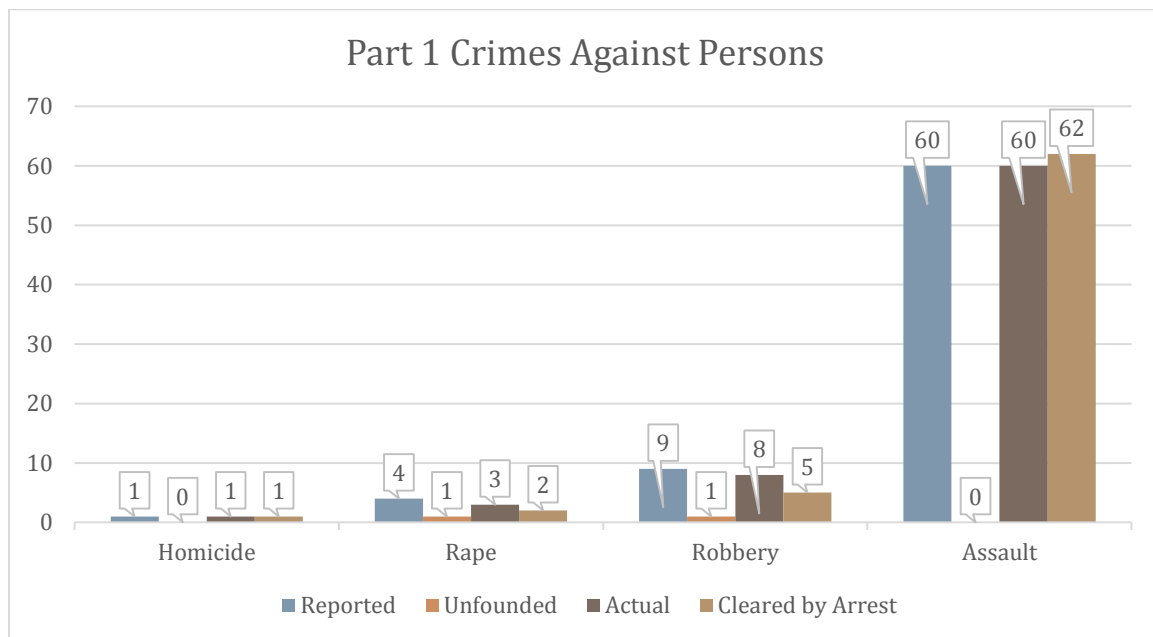
CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM (CIT)

Recognizing that certain types of situations involving individuals with mental illness require a specialized response from law enforcement, the Pleasant Prairie Police Department has specially trained officers who assist in identifying when someone in the community may be experiencing a mental health crisis. Crisis intervention gives frontline officers the tools to better communicate with people in crisis and get the individual the help that is needed.

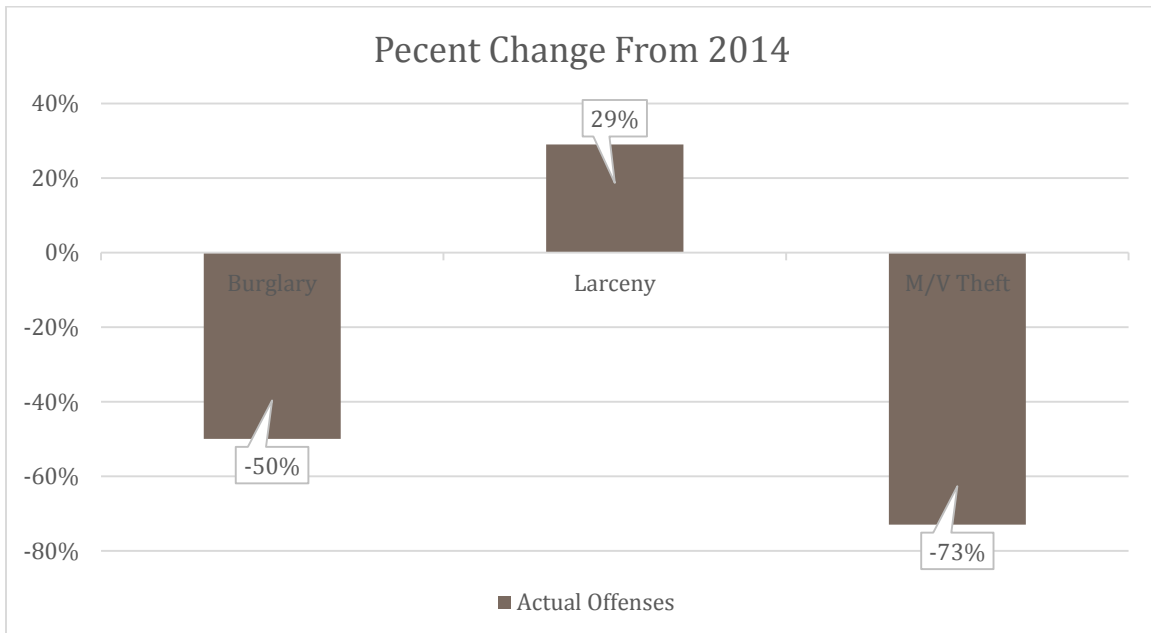
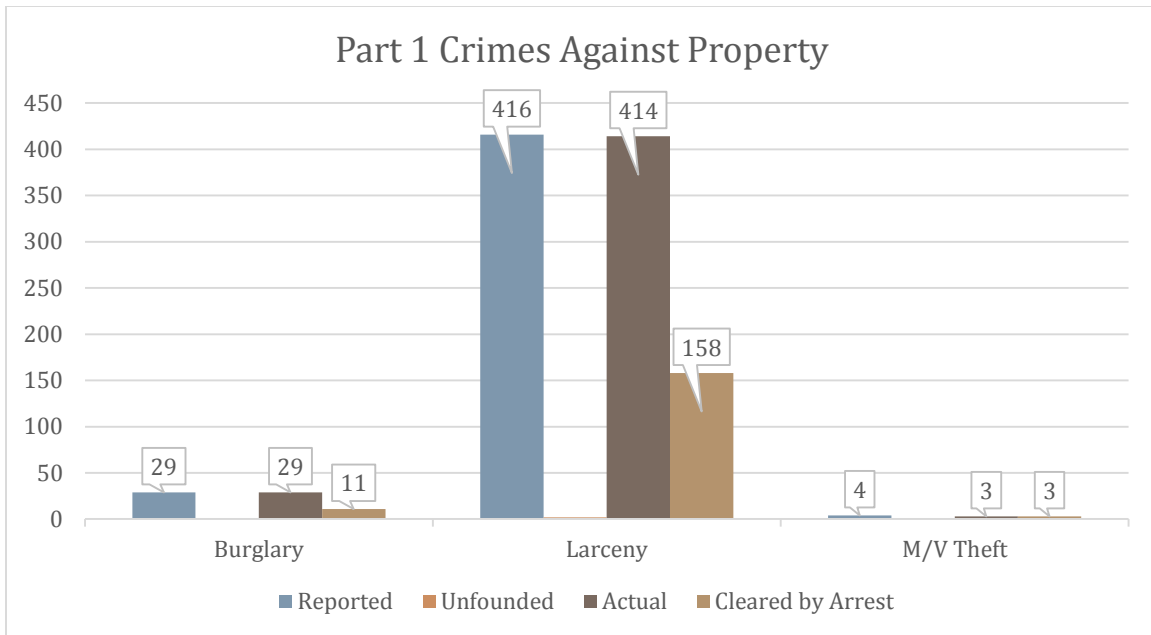
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Investigative Bureau Statistics

UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING

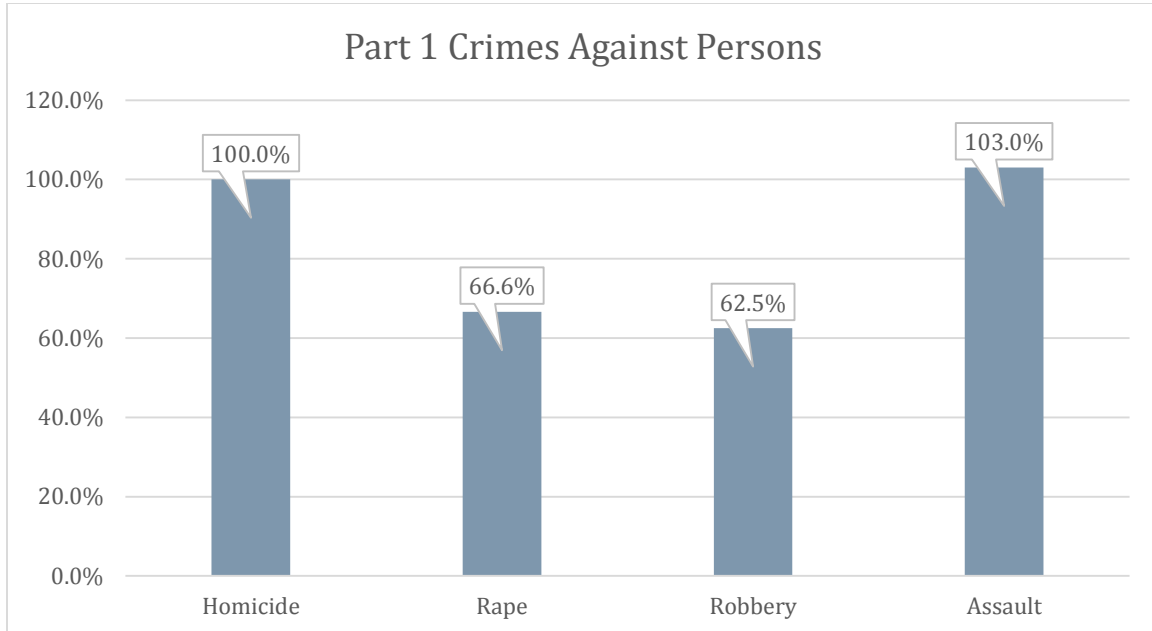


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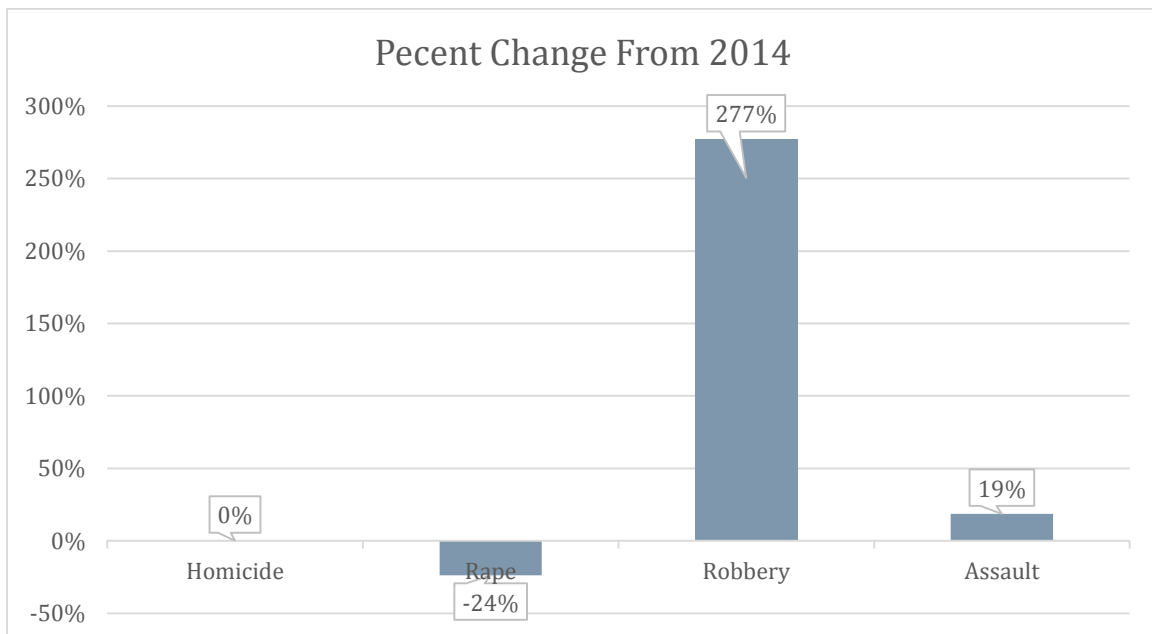


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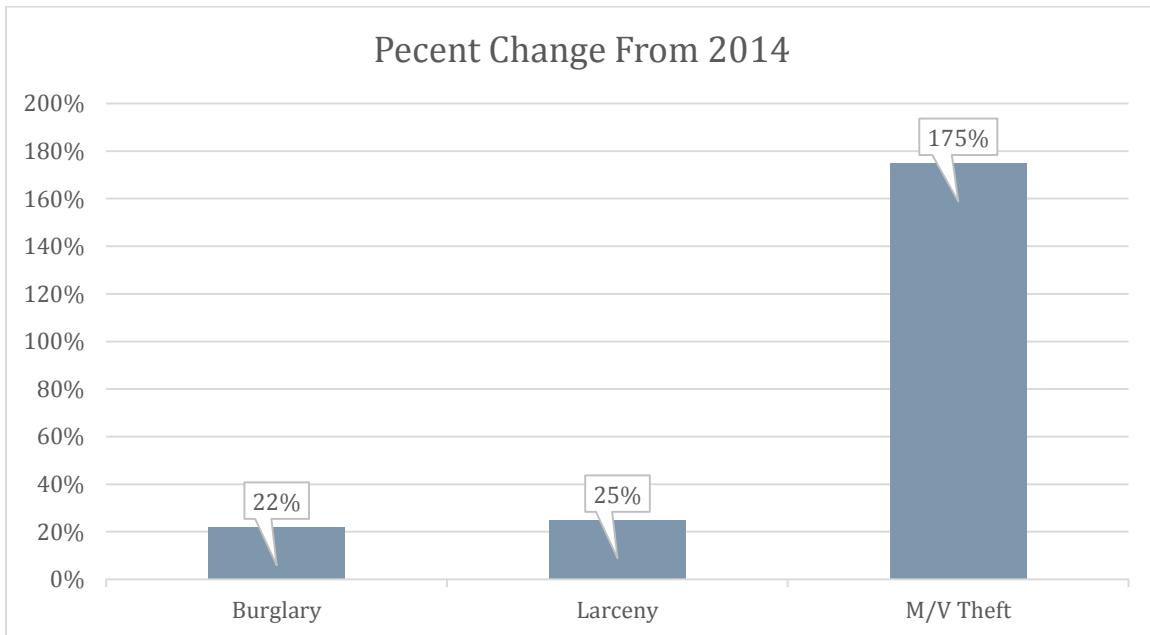
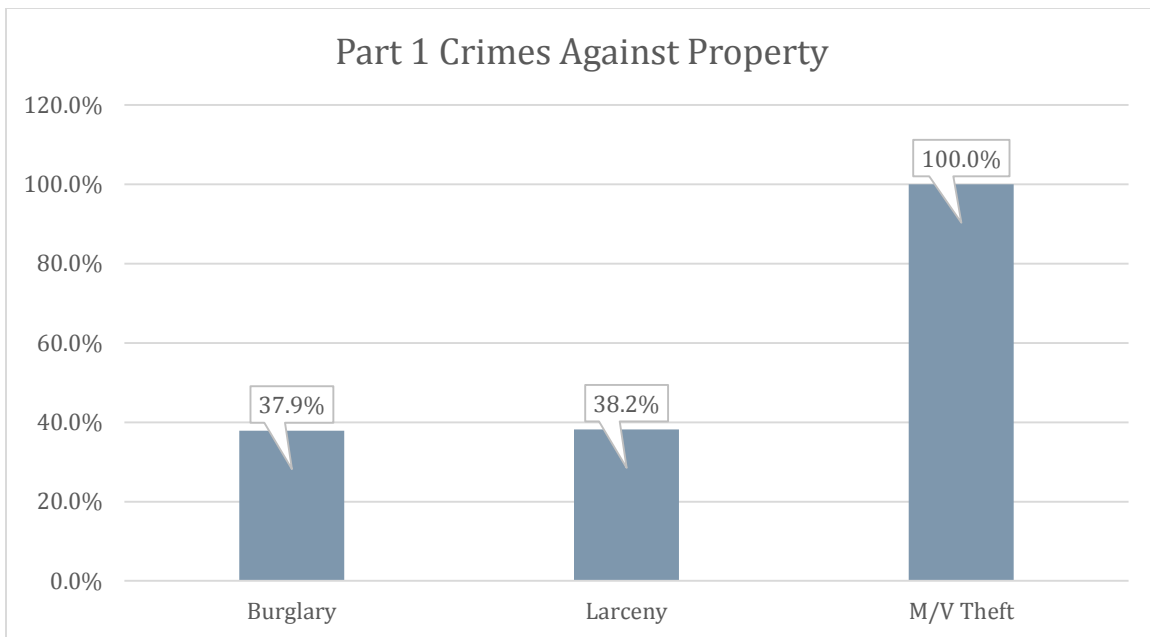
CLEARANCE RATES



**Percentages greater than 100 indicate crime solved outside the current year*



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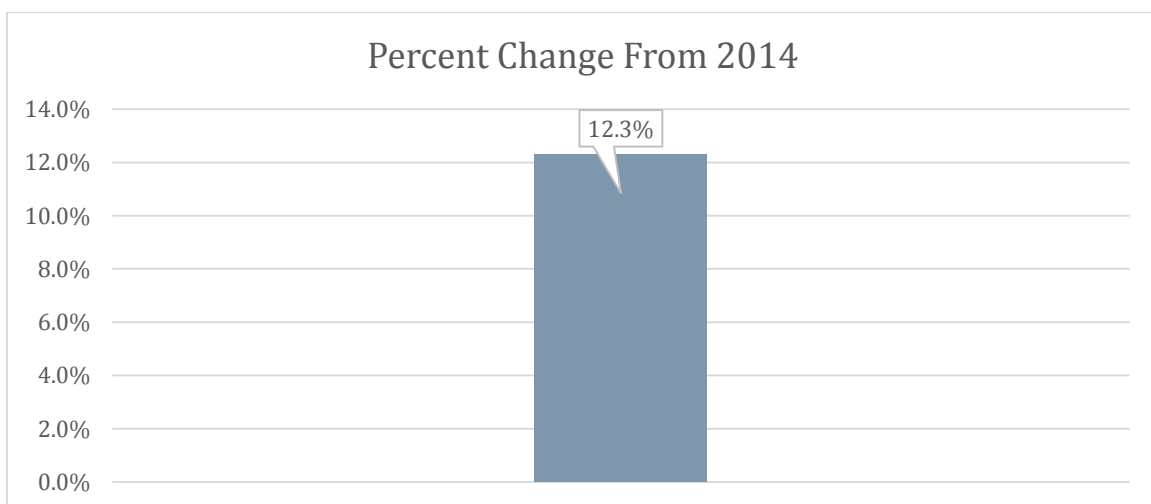
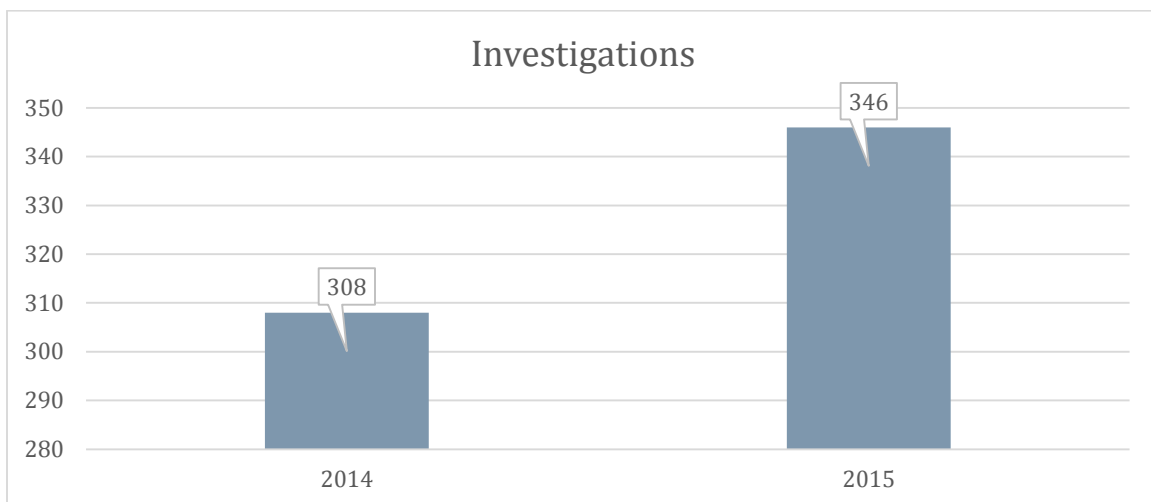
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SPECIFIC INVESTIGATIONS

The Pleasant Prairie Police Department Investigative Bureau handled 346 specific investigations in 2015, a 12.3% increase from the 308 investigations handled in 2014. Each Detective handles approximately 100 investigations.

Technology has advanced to the level where data that may be relevant to a criminal investigation may be found in countless forms. Data now is in digital technology - communication is almost entirely done through emails, tweets, Facebook, and instant messaging.

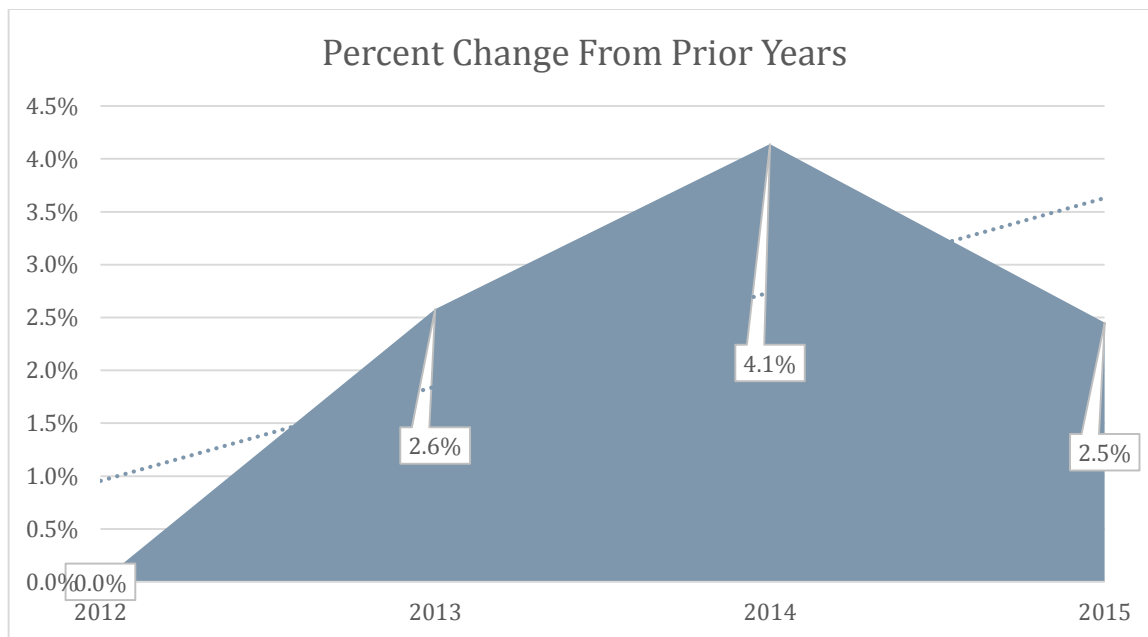
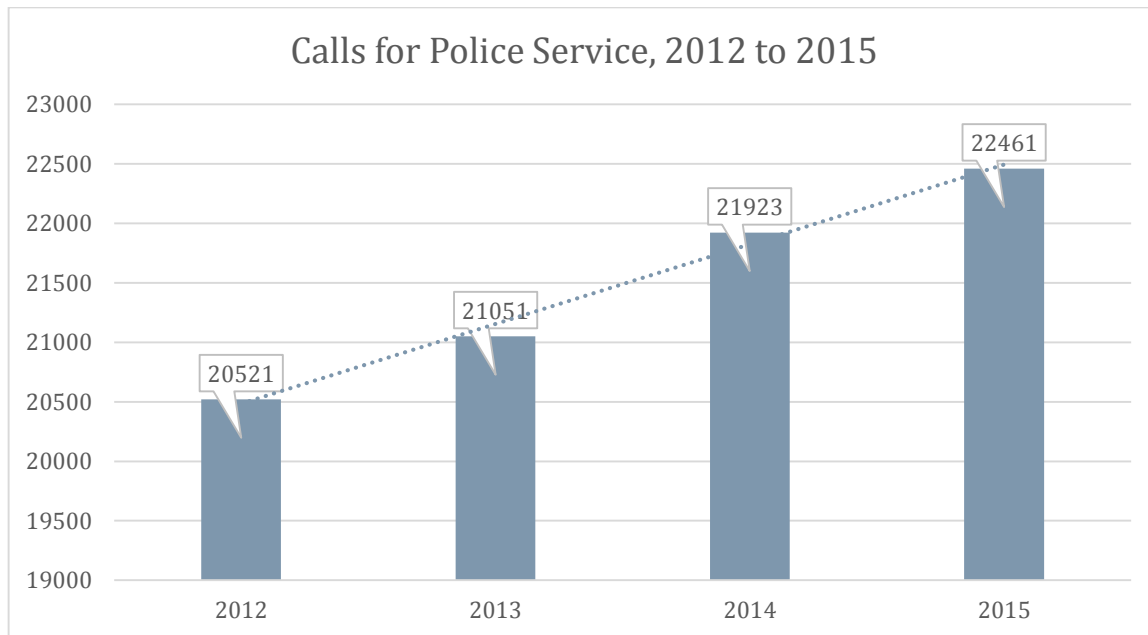
Detectives now spend much more time handling digital evidence, which increases the time it takes to complete an investigation. Most times search warrants and subpoenas are needed to obtain evidence; a slow and time consuming process.



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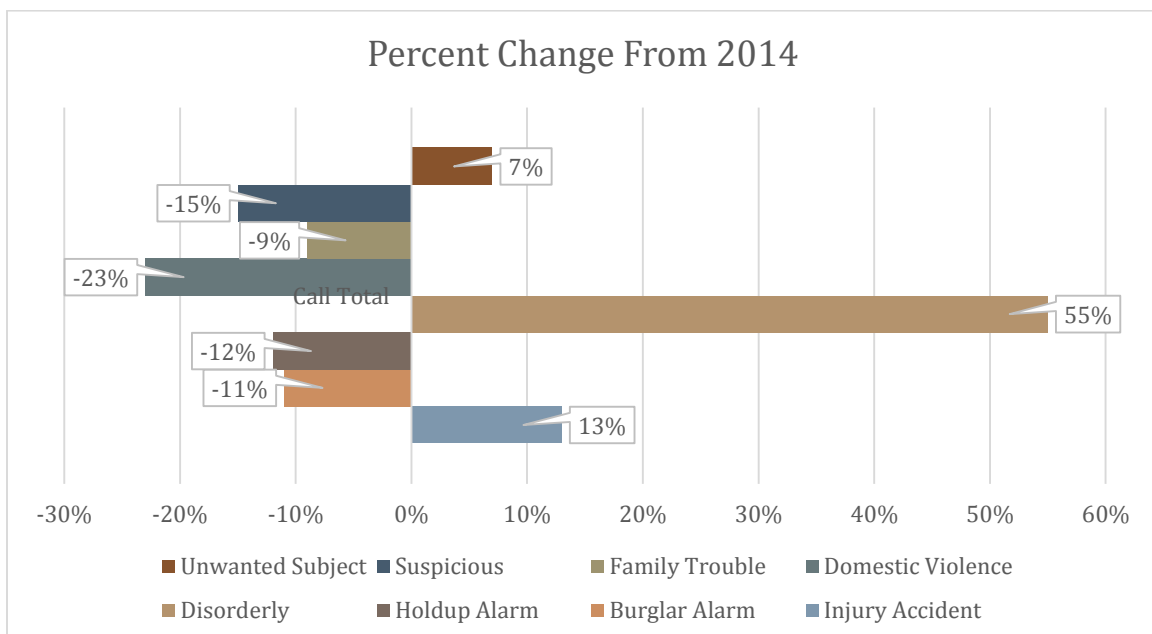
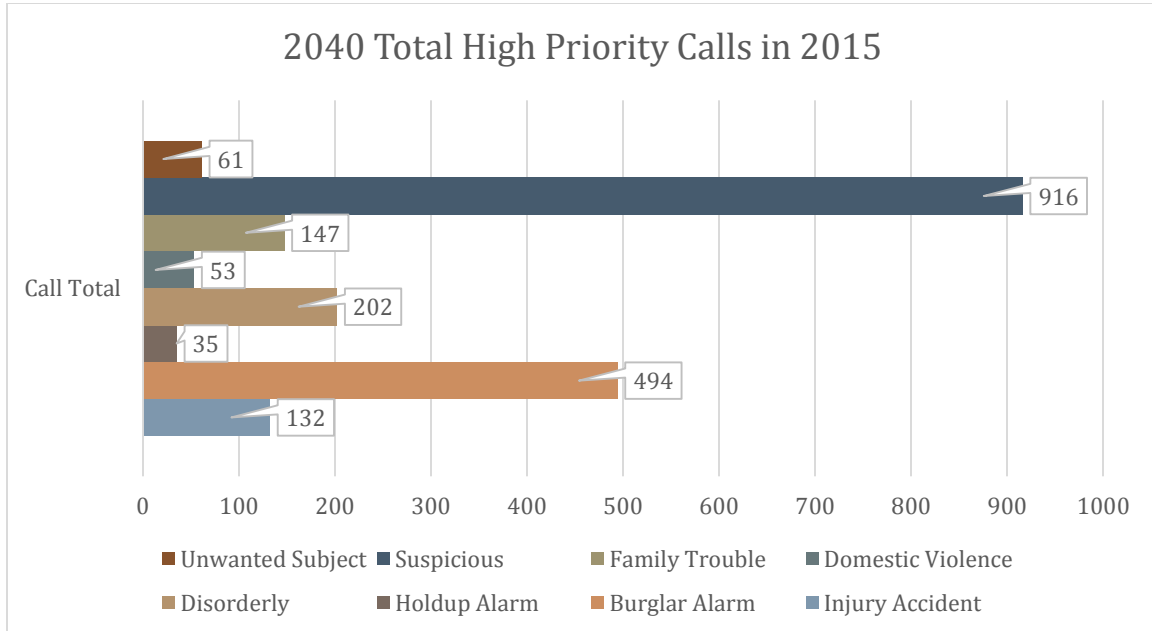
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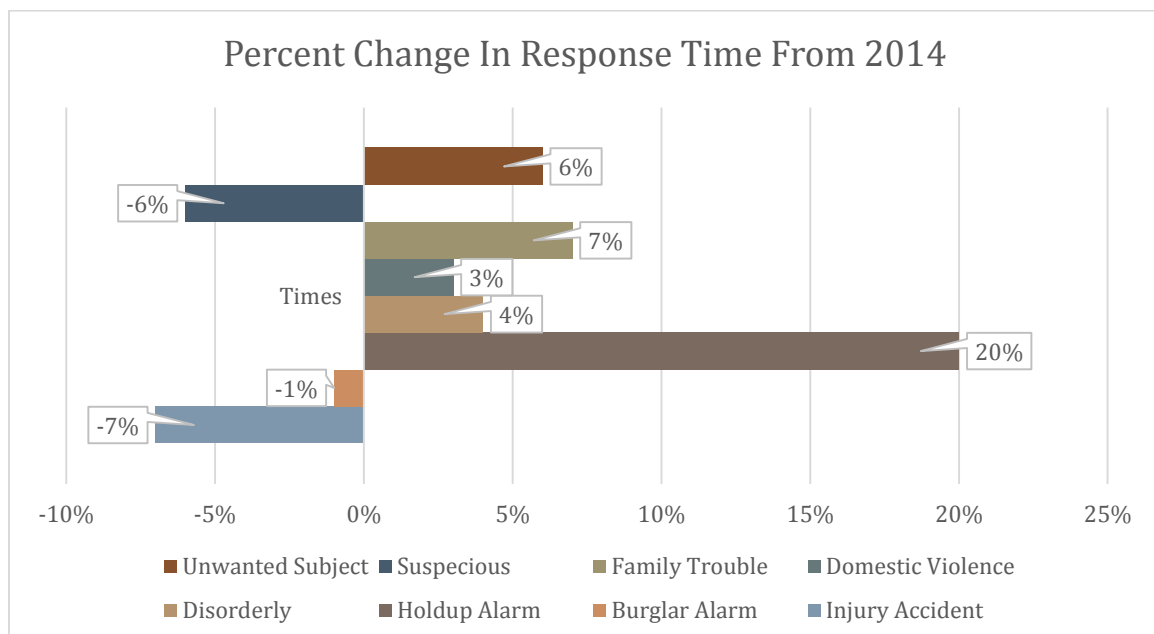
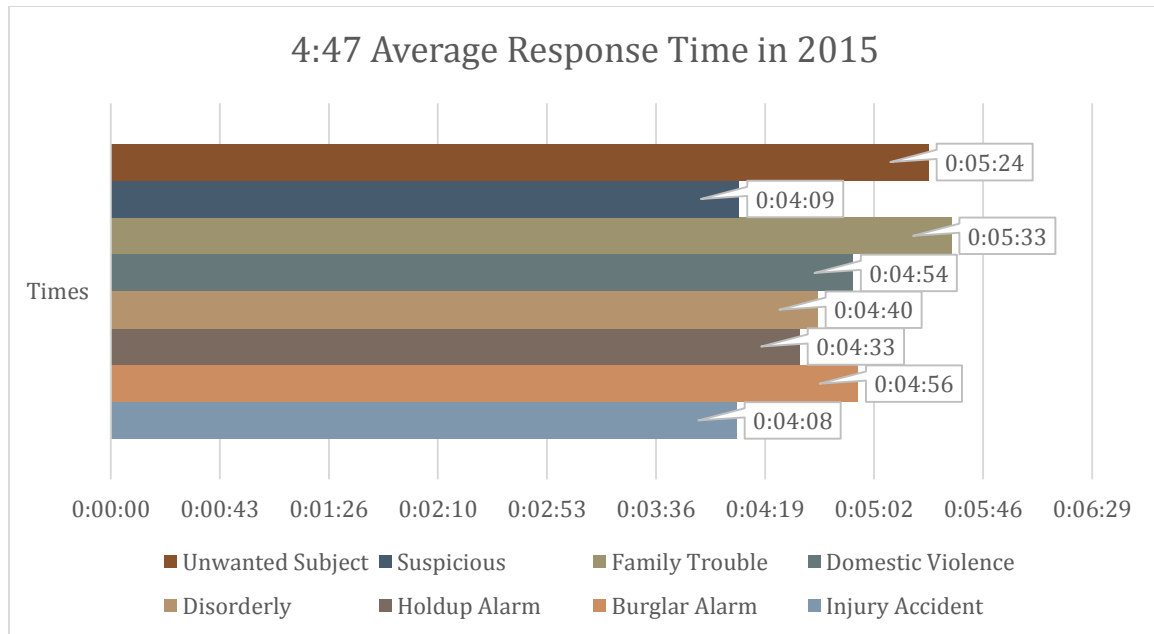
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HIGH PRIORITY CALLS FOR SERVICE



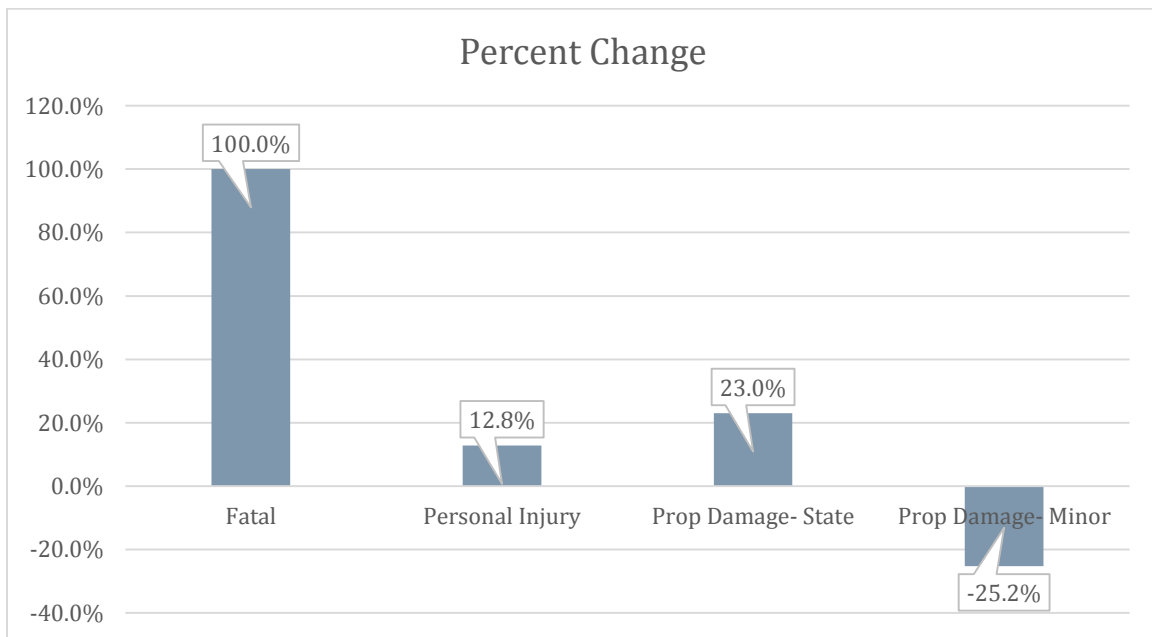
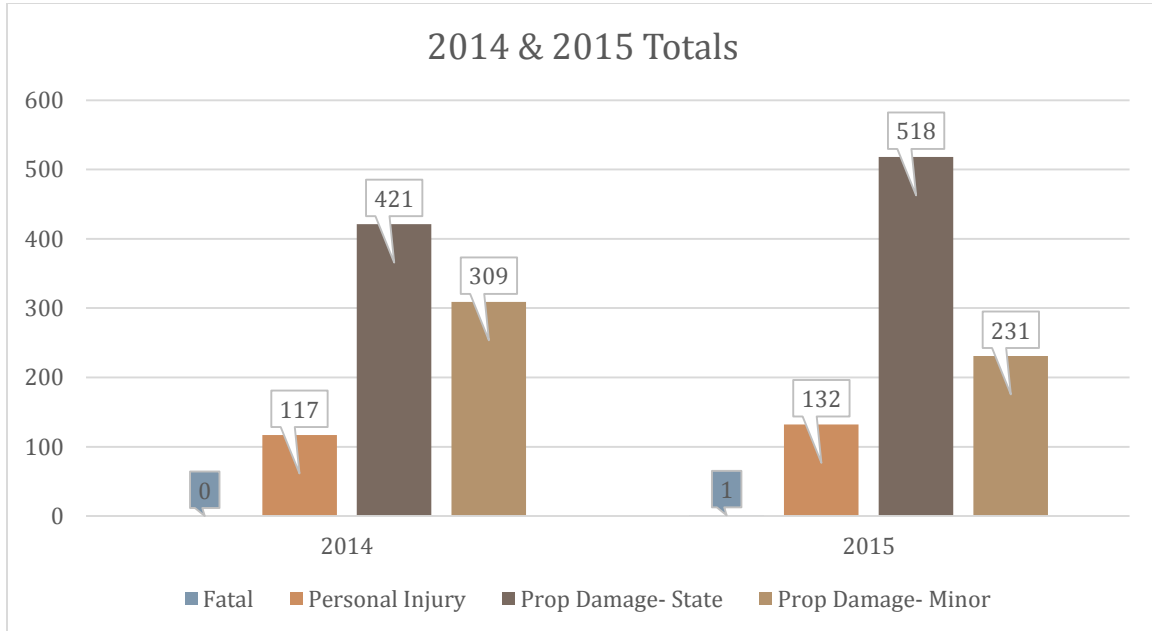
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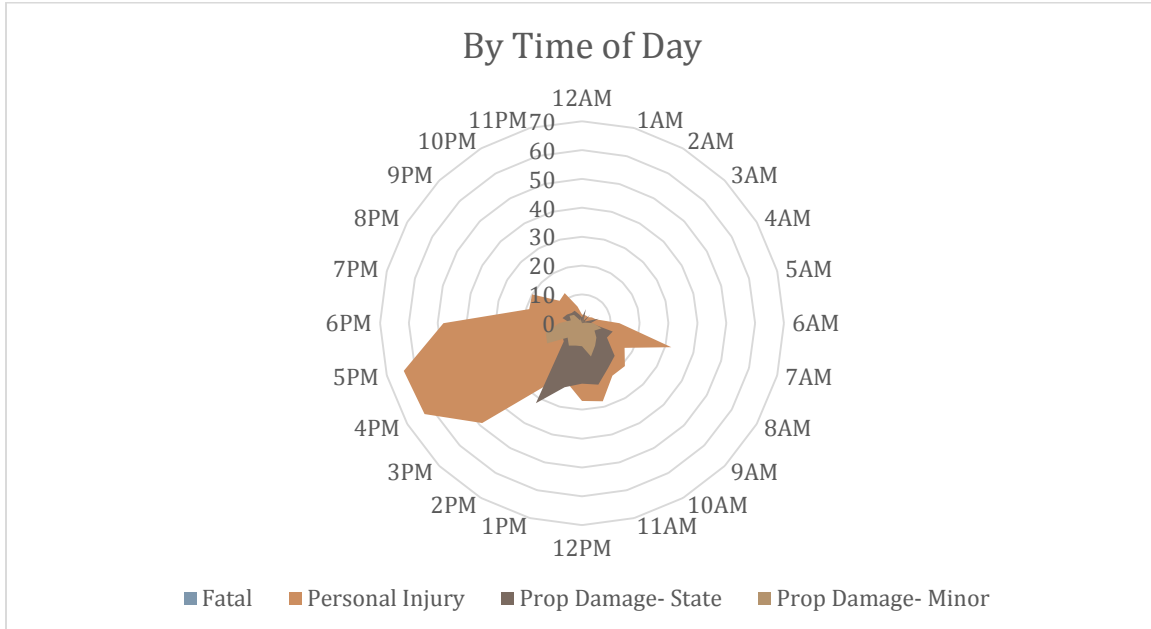
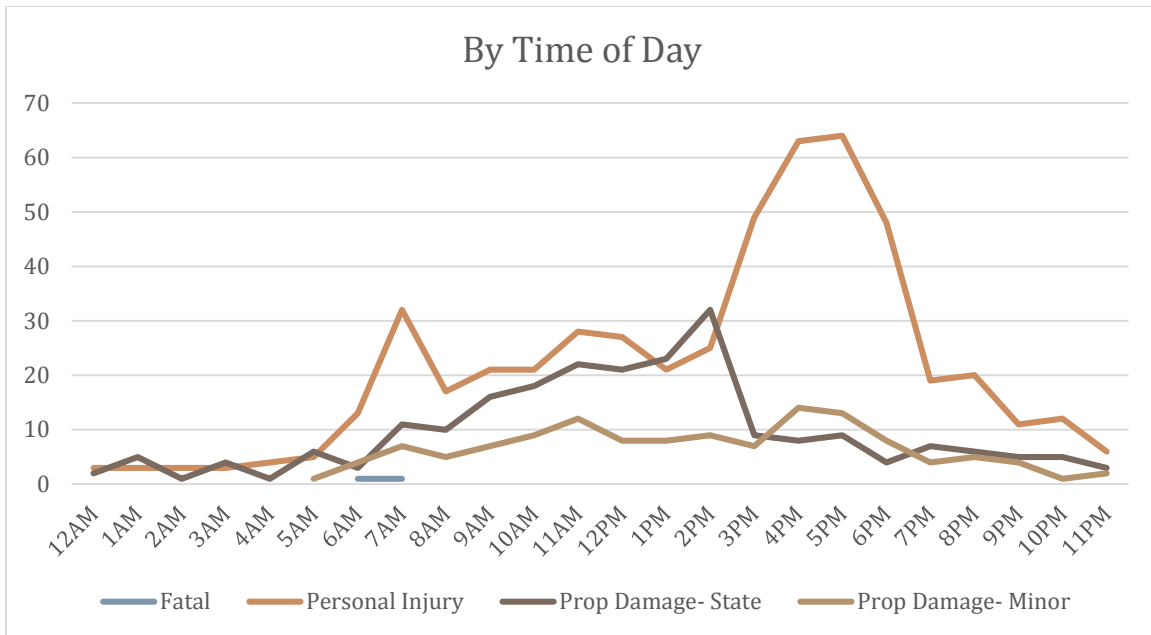


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TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

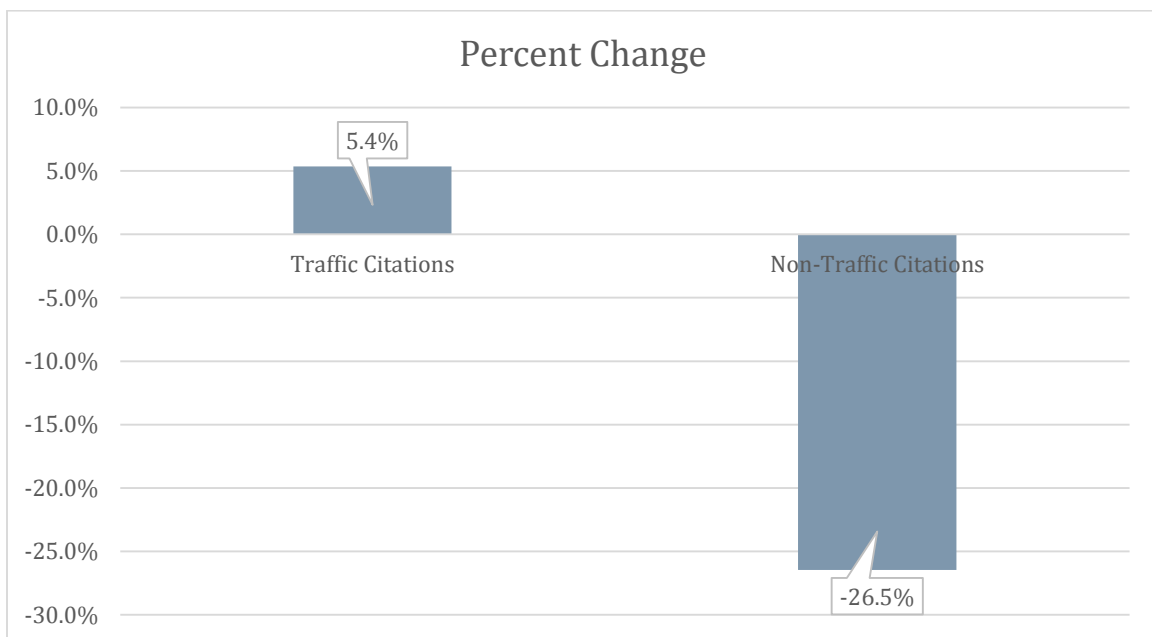
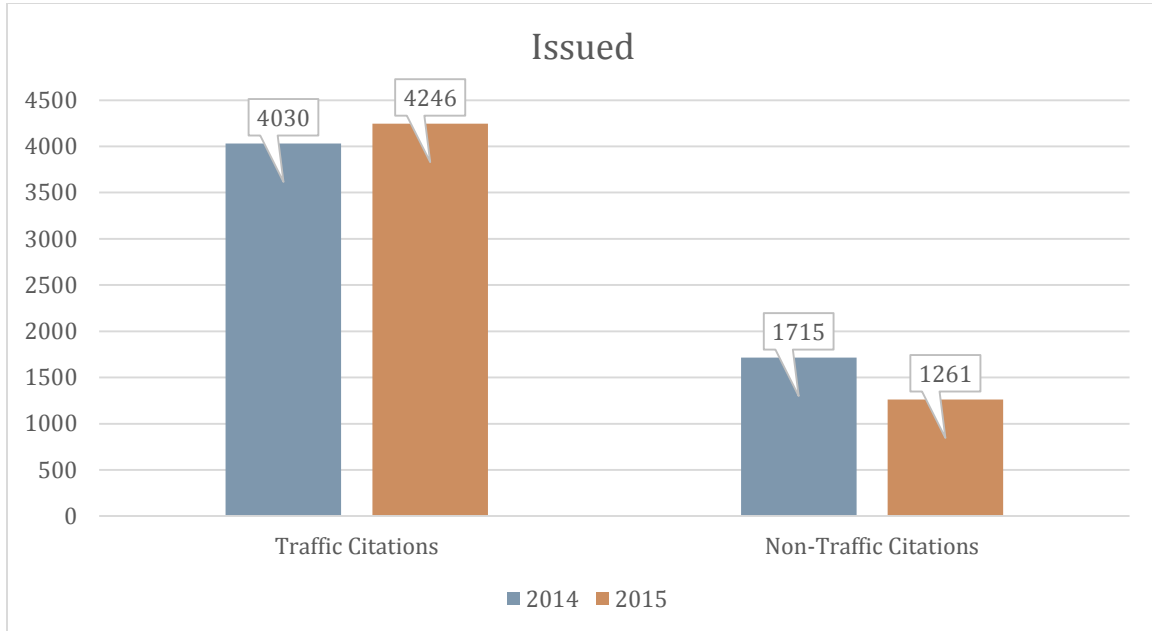


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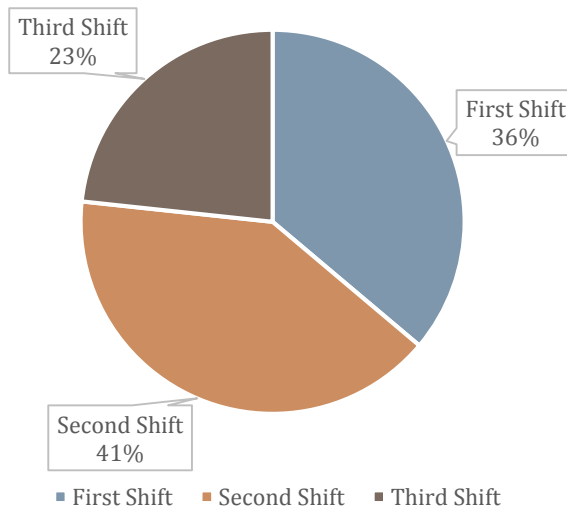
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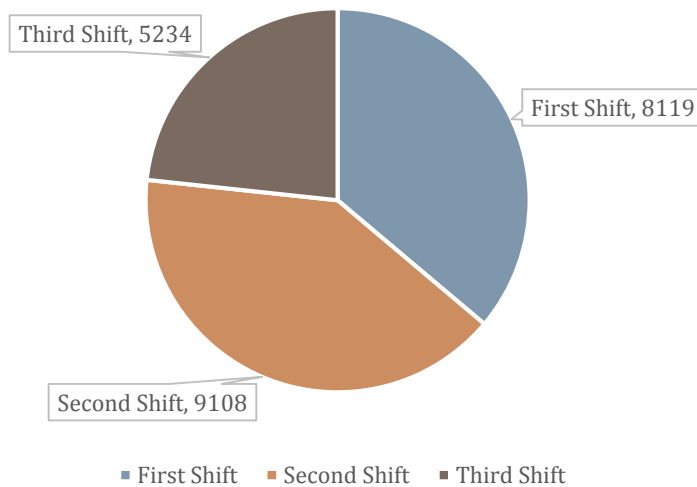
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SHIFT ACTIVITY

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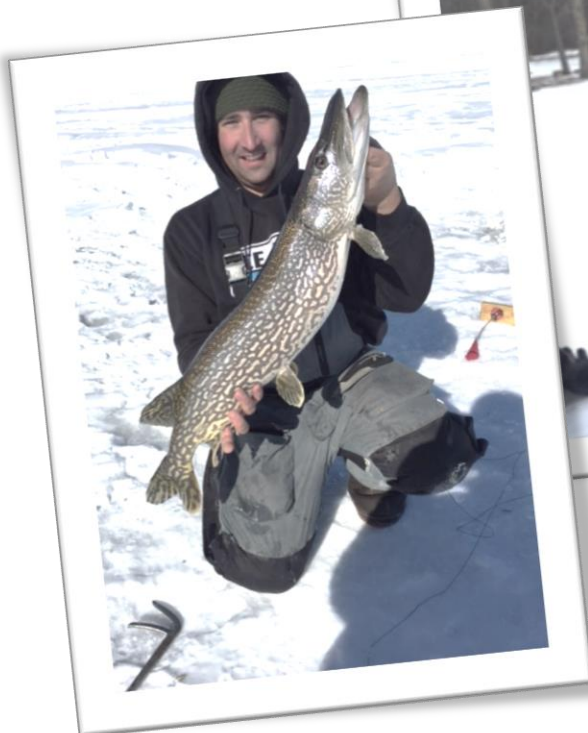
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