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ANNUAL REPORT



James M. Stevens, Chief of Police

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Enclosed is the 2021 Hamilton Police Division Annual Report. Throughout the year, the residents of our community were still adjusting to the effects of the Covid-19 global pandemic. Our commitment to protect and serve our community was evident as the services provided by the Police Division went on uninterrupted. This is a testament to the dedicated, devoted police officers and civilian support staff that made it possible for anyone needing assistance to have full access to all the services provided by the Hamilton Police Division.

I would like to thank the community for all their support and understanding during these unprecedented and very difficult times. The Police Division will continue to strive to build upon the partnerships we have established over the years with the community.

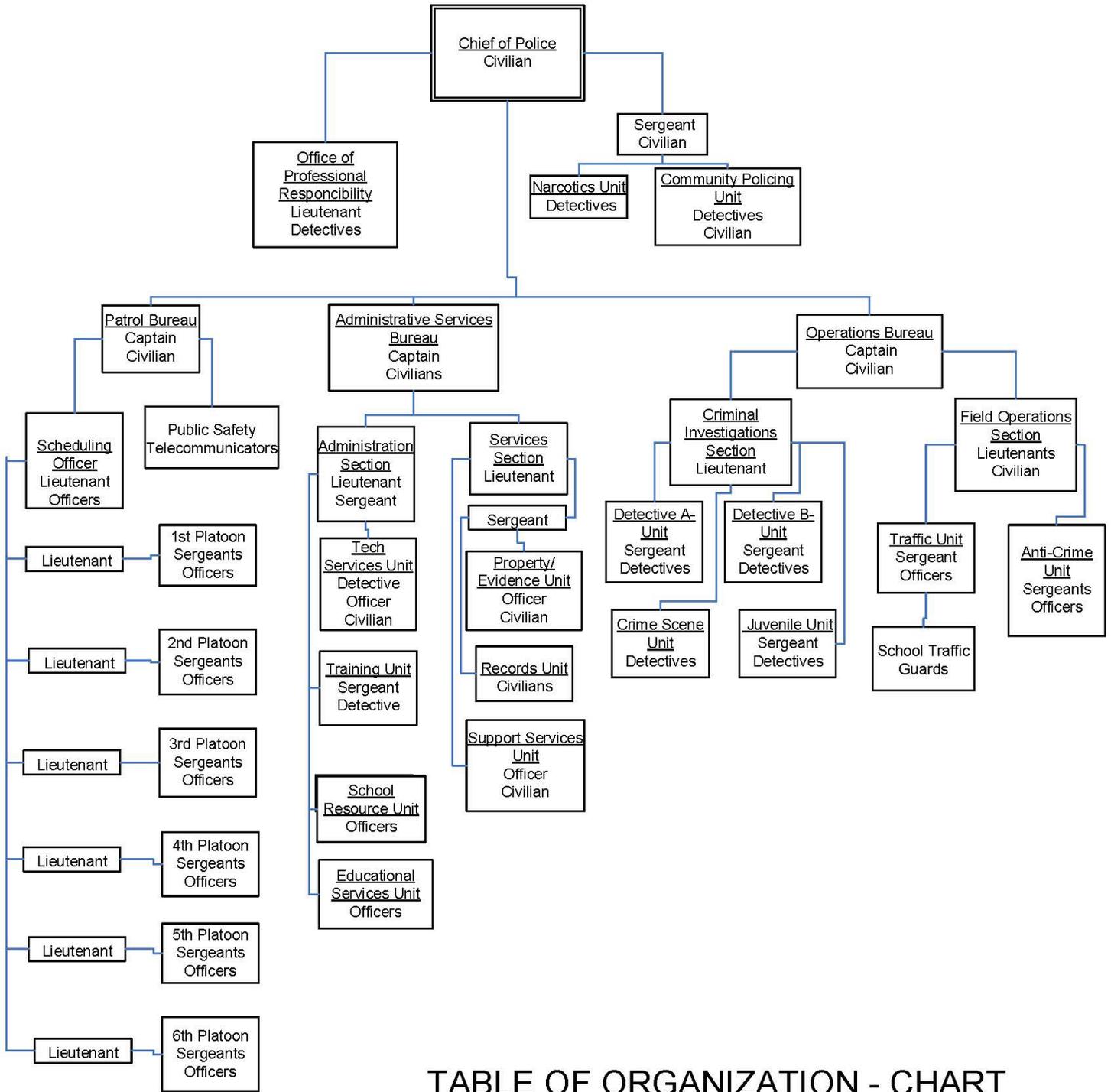


TABLE OF ORGANIZATION - CHART



12/31/21
**Hamilton Police Division
 Organizational Structure**

James M. Stevens
 Chief of Police

MISSION STATEMENT AND CORE VALUES

The Hamilton Police Division is committed to providing a safe and peaceful environment in the Township of Hamilton through effective and impartial law enforcement.

The Hamilton Police Division shall respond to the needs of its residents through active participation in community partnerships.

The Hamilton Police Division shall accept only the highest caliber personnel with a demonstrated ability to meet and exceed standards for personal and professional conduct.

The Hamilton Police Division will extend the utmost courtesy and respect to all residents, visitors and employees within the Township; and will be accountable for the actions of its members at all times.

The employees of the Hamilton Police Division are committed to its mission. We are accountable for our actions and we conduct ourselves accordingly in pursuit of our core values of integrity, accountability, courage, and professionalism.



CODE OF ETHICS

All personnel shall read and abide by the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics.

AS A LAW OF ENFORCEMENT EMPLOYEE, my fundamental duty is to serve the community; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the constitutional rights of all to liberty, equality and justice.

I WILL keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and will behave in a manner that does not bring discredit to me or to my agency. I will maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed both in my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the law and the regulations of my Division. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I WILL never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, political beliefs, aspirations, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I RECOGNIZE my office/position as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts by other police employees. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice. I know that I alone am responsible for my own standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself to my chosen profession...LAW ENFORCEMENT.



Accreditation Information

An accreditation program has long been recognized as a means of maintaining the highest standards of professionalism. Accreditation is the certification by an independent reviewing authority that an entity has met specific requirements and prescribed standards. Schools, universities, and hospitals are some of the most well-known organizations that are required to maintain accreditation. Law enforcement agencies in New Jersey can now attain accredited status through the NJSACOP Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission. Accreditation is a progressive and time proven way of helping law enforcement agencies calculate and improve their overall performances. Participating agencies conduct a thorough self-analysis to determine how existing

operations can be adapted to meet these objectives. When the procedures are in place, a team of trained assessors verifies that applicable standards have been successfully implemented. Accreditation status represents a significant professional achievement. Accreditation acknowledges the implementation of policies and procedures that are conceptually sound and operationally effective.

The benefits of accreditation are many and will vary from agency to agency. Accreditation increases the law enforcement agency's ability to prevent and control crime through more effective and efficient delivery of law enforcement services to the community it serves. Accreditation enhances community understanding of the law enforcement agency and its role in the community, as well as its goals and objectives. Citizen confidence in the policies and practices of the agency is increased. Accreditation, in conjunction with the philosophy of community policing, commits the agency to a broad range of programs (such as crime prevention) that directly benefit the public. Accreditation creates a forum in which police and citizens work together to control and prevent crime. The partnership will help citizens to understand the challenges that confront law enforcement. Law enforcement will, in turn, receive clear direction from the community about its expectations. Thus, a common set of goals and objectives will be arrived at and implemented.

For the Chief, accreditation increases cooperation and coordination with other law enforcement agencies and other branches of the criminal justice system. The accreditation process requires an in depth review of every aspect of the agency's organization, management, operations, and administration to include:

- Establishment of agency goals and objectives with provisions for periodic updating;
- Re-evaluation of whether agency resources are being used in accord with agency goals, objectives, and mission;
- Re-evaluation of agency policies and procedures, especially as documented in the agency's written directive system;
- Correction of internal deficiencies and inefficiencies before they become public problems;
- The opportunity to reorganize without the appearance of personal attacks.

The accreditation standards provide norms against which agency performance can be measured and monitored over time. Accreditation provides the agency with a continuous flow of Commission distributed information about exemplary policies, procedures and projects. Accreditation provides objective measures to justify decisions related to budget requests and personnel policies. Accreditation serves as a yardstick to measure the effectiveness of the agency's programs and services. The services provided are defined, and uniformity of service is assured. Accreditation streamlines operations, providing more consistency and more effective deployment of agency manpower.

Accreditation requires that agency policies and procedures are in written form and are available to all agency personnel at all times. Accreditation assures employees that every aspect of the agency's personnel system is in accord with professional standards, and that the system is both fair and equitable. The agency is compelled to operate within specific guidelines. It is accountable to the Commission. The agency must stay in compliance with the standards set forth by the Commission in order to retain its accreditation. The morale of the agency is enhanced by increasing the employees' confidence in the effectiveness and efficiency of their own agency. Operations become more streamlined and consistent.

Accreditation policies address officer safety issues and provide for adequate training and equipment of the officers. Accreditation is a coveted award that symbolizes professionalism, excellence and competence. Employees will take pride in their agency, knowing that it represents the very best in law enforcement.

The Hamilton Police Division received initial recognition on October 8, 2015 and was re-accredited on October 17, 2018. On November 10, 2021, the Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission New Jersey Association State Chiefs of Police assessment team recommends the Hamilton Police Division receive accredited status. The Division will be preparing for its next accreditation assessment in 2024.

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

New Jersey Association State Chiefs of Police assessment team recommends The Hamilton Police Division receive accredited status.

Implement an E-Ticketing system which allows officers on patrol to quickly and efficiently produce electronic motor vehicle summonses.

Developed and implemented an Unmanned Aircraft program to assist the Division in search and rescue, crime scene documentation, aerial photography.

Expanded Axon Body Worn Camera program to meet Attorney General Body Worn Camera Directive.

Installed and updated Wi-Fi access through out Division Headquarters

Aggressively pursue point of distribution clinics for COVID-19 vaccinations for Division Personnel

Upgraded Police Division fleet

Migrate from the FBI Uniform Crime Report (UCR) to the FBI National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS)

Completed renovations of 9-1-1 Communications Center

Implement new VESTA Enhanced 9-1-1 system.

Implement Handle with Care Program involving juveniles with Adverse Childhood Experience's

Replace obsolete Windows 7 computer work stations to Windows 10

POLICE DIVISION GOALS FOR 2022:

Replace outdated Division phone system to new Carousel phone system.

Replace aging Division Carbines.

Continue to strive for the completion of the three (3) year Re-Accreditation process through the New Jersey State Chiefs of Police Law Enforcement Accreditation program.

Continue to provide the Township with a budget that meets the Division's goals and needs while keeping police services at the highest level for residents of Hamilton Township.

Continue to develop crime prevention strategies and enhance public awareness.

Continue to utilize social media as a resource for Police – Community relations

Equip the Police Division with the latest law enforcement technologies

Continue to provide effective and efficient Patrol coverage to the community

Continued to expand the Divisions social media footprint

Increased security for Division Headquarters

Develop a Hamilton Police Division Youth Academy



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CRIME INDEX:

2020	1620
2021	1585*

***Crime data has not been released from the New Jersey State Police**

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT:

Total Summonses:		Speeding Summonses: (included in total)	
2020	4,418	2020	278
2021	5,800	2021	462

Total Crash Investigations:

2020	2,540
2021	2,857

CALLS FOR SERVICE:

2020	52,127
2021	71,402

ARRESTS:

	Adult:	Juvenile:
2020	1,635	61
2021	1,279	24

CONFIRMED SHOOTING INCIDENTS:

2020	7
2021	11

NARCAN DEPLOYMENTS:

2020	44
2021	39

PROJECT MEDICINE DROP:

2020	468.2 lbs.
2021	963.0 lbs.

GENERAL GRANTS:	
Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)	\$12,540.00
Federal Bulletproof Vest Fund	\$29,781.68
State Bulletproof Vest Fund	\$ 6,709.54
Total:	\$49,031.22
TRAFFIC GRANTS:	
Click it or Ticket	\$ 9,500.00
Distracted Driver	\$12,000.00
Drive Sober	\$ 9,000.00
Drunk Driver Enforcement Fund (DDEF)	\$ 8,113.91
Total:	\$36,613.91
GRANT TOTAL:	\$85,645.13

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES BUREAU

ADMINISTRATION SECTION

Hiring: Lt. J. Martin has been assigned to oversee and coordinate the hiring and replacement of Officers, Public Safety Telecommunicators and civilians for the Division. Lt. Martin coordinates with the Personnel Department for promulgation of hiring lists through the Civil Service Commission. The Division hired three officers from the NJ Civil Service Commission list in 2021. One of these officers had prior PTC certification and the remaining two were assigned to the Mercer County Police Academy. One Public Safety Telecommunicator was hired during 2021, and one civilian clerk transferred to the Division's Records Unit. Background checks were completed for all hires.

Accreditation: Lt. J. Martin is assigned as the Accreditation Manager and oversees the Accreditation process. One officer was assigned in 2021 to assist in the proof gathering phase of the Accreditation process. The 2nd re-accreditation assessment took place in November of 2021 and the assessment team recommends the Division for re-accreditation for the March 2022 NJSACOP Commission hearing. The next Accreditation cycle runs from 11/2021 to 11/2024 when the Division will be up for the third re-accreditation evaluation.

Training Unit: The Hamilton Police Division Training Unit conducted (but not limited to) the following during the 2021 calendar year:

- Winter In-service training: January 4-February 11, 2021
- Traffic update Work Zone Safety by Sgt. R. Chianese, Traffic Unit
- Internal Affairs – Blue Team update by Lt. J. Feltes
- Law Soft Reports and Side Job update-Sgt. K. Seitz
- Gun Maintenance-Training Unit
- Body camera, Law Soft training-TSU
- Property Evidence Update, new storage bags-P.O. Rutherford
- Economic Crime/CIB update-Sgt. Nielsen, Sgt. Wilk, Sgt. Watson
- Security Awareness/MDT Control Standards-PST Deidloff
- Total hours: 1360
- Spring Firearms Qualifications: April 12-May 20, 2021
- Use of force by PowerDMS
- Vehicle Pursuit by PowerDMS
- Mercer County and Division Firearms Policy by PowerDMS
- Firearms Qualifications
- Duty Handgun- Day and Night
- Off Duty Handgun- Day and Night
- Carbine- Day and Night
- ASP Baton certification
- OC spray certification
- ALPR training- Sgt. R. Chianese, Traffic Unit
- Total hours: 1360

- Summer In-service training: July 20-July 29, 2021
- Field Force Operations training
- Sizing for protective helmets and Avon gas masks
- Review of 2022 UOF for Field Force Operations
- Review of pepper spray munitions available
- Total hours: 1360

- Fall Firearms Qualifications: September 27-October 28, 2021
- Use of force by PowerDMS
- Motor vehicle pursuit by PowerDMS
- Mercer County and Division firearms policies by PowerDMS
- Firearms Qualifications
- Duty Handgun- Day and Night
- Off Duty Handgun- Day and Night
- Carbine- Day and Night
- Review NJ Learn Use of Force
- Issuance of new carry ammunition
- Review of IFAK-NJ First Responder Stop the Bleed program
- Active shooter policy review
 - New LASER program
- Additional handgun drills-shooting and moving, shooting with gas masks on
- Gas mask donning and doffing procedures
- Active shooter building clearing techniques on range
- Total hours: 1360

- (A total of 32 hours of in-service training was provided to each officer in 2021)

- Maintained the NJ Learn website for the Division. This requires constant maintenance and updating. The following courses were mandated by the Division in 2021 for all sworn personnel.
 - 2022 Use of Force Transition training
 - HazMat Awareness refresher
 - Prevention of Domestic Violence and Domestic Violence Quiz
- Utilized a new online LMS though GIMJIF
 - Bloodborne pathogens
 - Chemical Safety/RTK
 - Ethics in Action: Supervisors and Employees
 - Sexual Harassment and Discrimination: Supervisors and Employees
 - Cyber Security Awareness
 - Policing the Mentally Ill
 - Field Training Officer Recertification
 - Prison Rape Elimination Act

- Mandatory NJ DCJ CLEAR Institute Training – Law Enforcement and the LGBTQ+ Community was completed via power DMS.
- Detective K. Butera and Sgt. R. Gayda were selected to become instructors for State Mandated ABLE and ICAT training. They were assigned to instruct county wide training starting September 20 with anticipated completion in April 2021.
- In-Service PTC training for 3 Police Recruits (Gilleo, Anderson and Gigliotti). In-Service training upon completion of the MCPA for (Stone and Mutek). In-Service training for P.O. B. Walker who lateralled from Trenton Police. Each recruit received 32 hours PTC mandated training prior to the attendance of the MCPA and upon graduation they receive 40 hours additional Hamilton Police Division training prior to Patrol assignment.
- Assisted with PTC basic recruit firearms training and qualification at the Mercer County Police Academy.
- The Training Unit conducted various make up range dates for officers returning to duty or who missed scheduled firearms qualifications.
- Coordinated continued EMT recertification for 8 officers.
- SWAT Training-25 days of various training which included NJ AG firearms qualifications, tactical planning, emergency medical care, and entries.
- The Training Unit conducted the trade and purchase of Sig Sauer M400 rifles and MPX 9mm carbines for the Division in addition to less lethal shotguns and 40mm launchers.
- Continued work on capital improvements to the Township gun range. Meetings with various contractors and township officials.
- Repairing of the Township gun range buildings. We are continuing to file the appropriate work orders and meet with Township Public Works.
- Coordinated the use of the firearms range with outside contractor for retired Hamilton Police Division officers in accordance with Township Ordinance.
- Coordinated the use of the Division range for Lawrence Township Police.
- Division ammunition budgeting and inventory.
- The 2022 annual operating and capital budget requests for the Training Unit were submitted for review.
- Det. K. Butera was assigned to conduct Firearm Application Investigations starting September 1, 2012 in addition to his Training Unit duties. Det. K. Butera had 121 Firearms Applications in 2021.
- Preventative Maintenance Inspection of Division owned firearms to include rifles, shotguns, carbines, and handguns which were conducted throughout the year.
- Total hours: 970

Additional training courses for 2021 (many courses were suspended due to Covid):

- NJSP Alcotest Operator Initial and Refresher
- NJSP ARIDE
- NJSP DWI/SFST
- Sex Crimes/Child Abuse course
- Media Relations course
- Humane Law Enforcement Officer certification

- NJ EMT courses
- CTS gas munitions, pepper spray, distraction device, chemical munitions, less lethal munitions instructor
- Defense Technologies pepper spray, distraction device, chemical munitions, less lethal munitions instructor
- Advanced rifle course
- Basic SWAT course
- NTOA Basic SWAT course
- NTOA SWAT Leadership course
- AHA CPR instructor
- FEMA LASER instructor
- Interdiction Conference

HazMat Unit: The Hamilton HazMat Team is staffed currently with twelve Police Officers. The HazMat team shares responsibility in responding to HazMat incidents in Mercer County with West Windsor HazMat and Trenton HazMat. The Hamilton HazMat Team responded to seventeen incidents in 2021 varying from motor vehicle crashes to narcotic incidents.



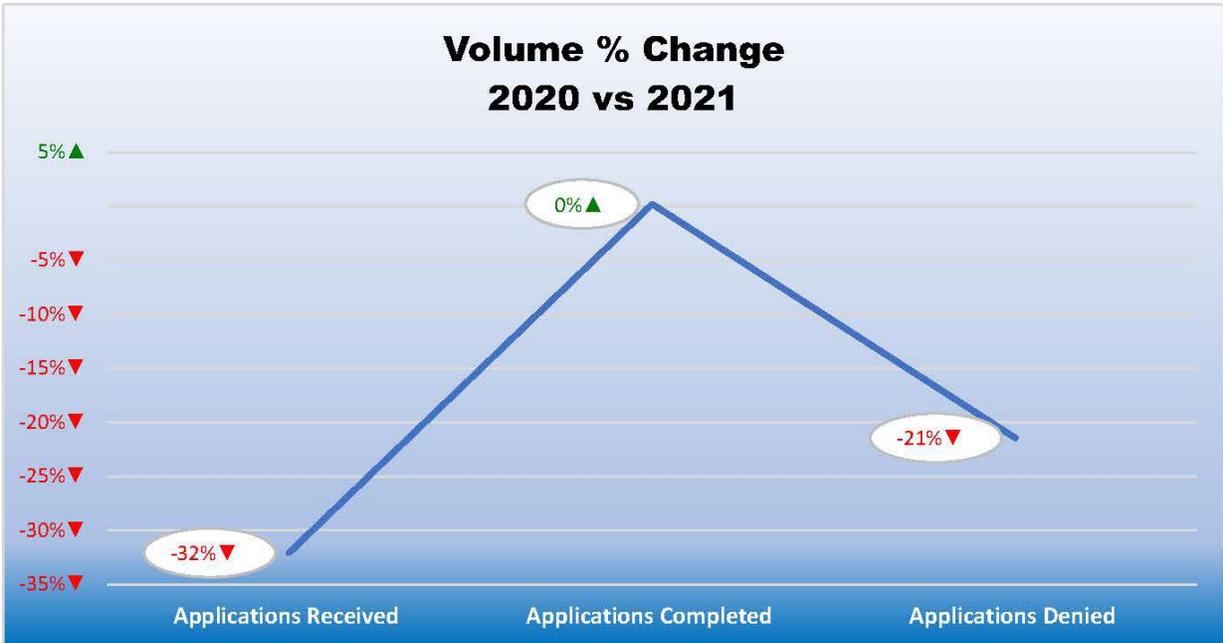
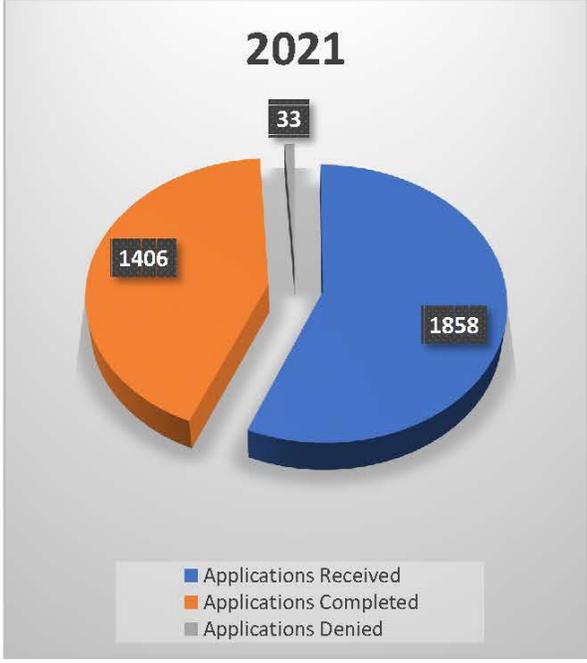
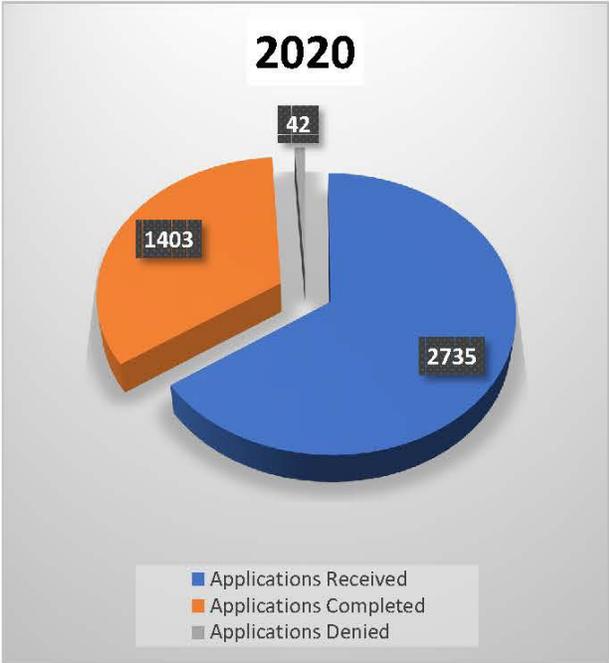
Office of Emergency Management (OEM): Lt. J. Martin has been acting as the Coordinator for the Office of Emergency Management since January 2020. He has been involved in the Township’s response to the Coronavirus pandemic and has worked with various Township and private organizations as needed.

Firearms Unit: The Firearms Unit is responsible for firearms applications and identification cards. Additional duties include providing information to citizens for firearms applications and fingerprinting for employment purposes.

The following totals are through 12/31/21:

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	
Firearms applications received:	2735	1858	↓32%
Firearms Applications completed:	1403	1406	↑0.21%
Firearms Applications denied:	42	33	↓21%

Firearm Unit Application Breakdown



Services Section

The Services Section is responsible for acquisitions, equipment repairs and problem resolutions. The coordination effort for daily maintenance requirements involves timely telephone and in person vendor contact each day in order to maintain operational efficiency. It also prepares work orders for maintenance within the overall police building and acts as liaison between various Township Departments that encompasses the coordination effort of capital projects for the entire fiscal year.

Operation Reassurance: Currently **19** members call in daily to the Services Section.

Cellblock/Detention Facility: The Division follows the standards established by the New Jersey Department of Corrections regulations in order to receive and secure persons under arrest, providing clean housing, food, medical attention and other necessary services for proper care. Personnel in the Services Section are responsible for the Annual Detention Facility Inspection, performed by the Department of Corrections and all associated documentation and ancillary inspections, i.e., Fire Department, Fire Alarm, Fire Suppression and Pest Control. As of 12/31/21 **211** persons were housed in our facility. As a Municipal Detention Facility, residential stays are not to be longer than 96 hours, excluding holidays and weekends.

Inventory of Detainee Meals MRE's: Services is responsible for ordering and maintaining the inventory of the Meals Ready to Eat (MRE) program, including restocking the cellblock MRE storage locker weekly. As of 12/31/21 **205** MREs were distributed to prisoners housed in our facility. We are currently using **17** MRE's per month on average. An order is placed for approximately 24 cases (24 MRE's per case) as needed.

Calendar Year 2021 Inspection: The Division's Detention Facility is in full compliance with the standards established by the New Jersey Department of Corrections. The New Jersey Department of Corrections conducted its last Detention Facility Inspection in July of 2020. In addition, the NJ DOC also conducted a rule exemption inspection in September of 2017 for **9** approved rule exemptions. The next inspection is expected in 2022.

Police Vehicle Equipment: Services provides the coordination and maintenance scheduling for marked police vehicles, unmarked vehicles, police motorcycles, civilian township vehicle (Public Safety Director), SMART Traffic Trailers, hazmat vehicles and township fleet vehicle (Civilian Services). The Services Section coordinates the equipment transfer, vehicle decals and striping for all new marked units. We anticipate additional marked units and special units in 2022. We also ensure completion of the annual state inspections of each vehicle, through their assigned Bureaus. Excluding the SMART Traffic Trailers.

Emergency equipment is requested, purchased and maintained by the Services Section, to include documenting damage to police vehicles and maintaining fleet/equipment inventory status.

Uniforms and Equipment: The Services Section issues uniforms and equipment for all newly hired police officers and keeps a limited supply of equipment on hand to replace damaged police

issued equipment as per contractual agreement. We also review reports on damaged issued items, recommending repair or replacement as necessary. Once approved for repair/replacement we coordinate between the officer and the necessary vendor to ensure the appropriate disposition is completed.

Police Equipment: Maintain the inventory and control of all police equipment and supplies. Provides required uniform equipment; duty leather gear, pepper-spray, handcuffs and related police equipment to new Police Officers. Requisition, inventory, and issue as required police equipment to replace used, broken, or defective items. Order, replace and/or issue needed police equipment not commonly stocked as needed.

Special Assignments: Personnel are utilized for a variety of special events and public meetings throughout the year. All requests are submitted through the chain of command for prior event approval.

Park Security Guards: During the summer 33 School Crossing Guards are assigned to various parks in the township. These guards work primarily in two shifts, 0900 - 1200 and 1200 - 1500 hours. Summer Guard assignments are coordinated and supervised by the Services Section. Park Guards also assist with traffic & crowd control at most major park events & charity walks/runs.

School Resource Officers: Currently officers are assigned to the three public high schools during the school year. Note that these officers were assigned to assist Patrol from January 1, 2021 to August 13, 2021 as the Hamilton Township School District was on a hybrid schedule due to Covid-19.

LEAD Officers: Officers are assigned to three public middle schools – Crockett, Grice and Reynolds Middle Schools during the school year. They also teach the Officer Friendly program to Kindergarten and 4th grade, the 2nd grade Bicycle Safety program (here at HQ/Safety Town), and when requested by a school and available, they will speak to classes as per the school's requests. In addition, these officers have been assigned elementary schools that they visit in rotation as workload permits. The LEAD Officers also operate Safety Town during the summer months. Note that these officers were also assigned to assist Patrol from January 1, 2021 to



August 13, 2021 as the Hamilton Township School District was on a hybrid schedule due to Covid-19.

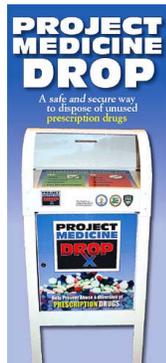
Office Supplies & Printed Forms: Provide office supplies, equipment and other materials used by Police Division personnel and ensure an available supply of these items. Provides and ensures 24-hour availability of printed forms and paper used by the Police Division. Orders, inventories and distributes proprietary forms and supplies as needed. Orders, replace and/or issues needed office equipment/supplies not commonly stocked as needed.

Bio-Hazard Equipment: Maintain inventory and control over Bio-Hazard equipment and supplies used by Police Division personnel. Order, store and supply such equipment as necessary. Issue Bio-Hazard supplies and equipment throughout Police Division; maintain Bio-Hazard kits used in Police vehicles. Dispose of Bio-Hazard contaminated items as needed. Order, replace or issue needed Bio-Hazard supplies not commonly stocked as needed.

Property/Evidence Unit: Maintains, stores, and logs all property and evidence recovered by Police Division personnel according to specifications outlined in New Jersey State and Federal statutes, as well as attempts to locate owners of recovered lost or stolen property for the purpose of returning said property. In addition, researches all cases to determine their status and ensure their disposition and disposes of property/evidence in accordance with existing laws and procedures set by the Mercer County Prosecutors Office and NJ Attorney General Guidelines. Some cases may require Property Room personnel to testify in Court. In all, **879** cases involving property/evidence were taken in and stored in the property room. Approximately **1400** cases were purged from the property room including drug, weapons and other assorted items. Personnel in the unit are administrators of the B.E.A.S.T Evidence Management System. As administrators, they are responsible for training all new personnel in its use as well as conduct annual blocks of in-service training.

Additional Responsibilities: The unit is responsible for completing, via the internet, all Lab Request Forms for evidence requiring testing at the New Jersey State Police Central Regional Laboratory. They also repackage and label evidence in accordance with procedural requirements, and transport evidence to and from the NJSP Laboratory. Ensures that all evidence and reports are properly submitted into the Property Room which includes notifying officers of any report or evidence discrepancies. In addition, transports evidence to the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office Evidence Unit and completes paperwork for all Domestic Violence related cases involving weapons held for safekeeping. Provides copies of digital media and other evidence as requested by the Municipal Prosecutor as well as the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office and coordinates destruction dates for the disposal of all drug related items, general evidence and weapons. They also deliver property/evidence and paperwork to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission for the disposal of all vehicle license plates. Also files and submits all necessary paperwork and transporting of vehicles and money to the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office Forfeiture Unit for all drug related forfeitures. Transfers latent fingerprints to the New Jersey State Police biometric identification unit in West Trenton for examination as well as pick up those prints that have been examined. Prints that come back as a "Hit" are reported to the C.I.S. immediately upon their return to the Property Room. **83** Hamilton cases were examined by the

New Jersey State Police A.F.I.S Unit. **Forty-six** “Hits” were returned to the Property Room including new cases and delayed “Hits” for previously submitted cases.



The unit is also responsible for the administration of “Project Medicine Drop”. This includes the emptying and storing of unused and expired medications that citizens drop off in a mailbox in the Division’s lobby. The medications are removed from the mailbox and stored in the property room until they are transferred to a facility in Camden, NJ for destruction. In 2021, **963** pounds of unused and expired medications were collected. Quarterly reports are sent to the Division of Consumer Affairs/Division of Criminal Justice and a monthly total is sent to the Administrative Services Commander as well as the Operations Bureau Commander. The unit has also assisted with the destruction of records after they have been approved for destruction at the request of the unit supervisor.

Property/Evidence also requisitions, stores and disperses office supplies and printed forms or related equipment. In 2021, **61** supply request orders were filled and **39** requisition forms were submitted. Additional special assignments include providing assistance to the Services Bureau Commander with the Fiscal Year Budget as required and aiding in researching new products.

Abandoned/Recovered Bicycles: Maintain inventory of recovered lost, abandoned, or stolen bicycles. Fourteen recovered bicycles in our inventory were released to the Township Central Warehouse to be auctioned off. In 202, 1 a total of **21** cases were referred to the township for auction.

Nasal Narcan Coordinator: The Services Section Lieutenant is designated as the Nasal Narcan Coordinator. The Nasal Narcan Coordinator shall be responsible for the following:

1. Ensuring the Nasal Narcan is current and not expired.
2. Proper and efficient deployment of Nasal Narcan for Patrol.
3. Replacement of any Nasal Narcan that is either damaged, unusable, expired or deployed.
4. Ensuring all personnel that will be using Nasal Narcan has received appropriate training in such.
5. Ensure that any deployment of Nasal Narcan to a subject will have a corresponding police report documenting such deployment.

As of 12/31/21 there were a total of **39** Nasal Narcan deployments with corresponding Naloxone Deployment Reporting Forms completed.

Records Unit: The Records Unit performs many functions for the Division, the public and other agencies. The primary function is processing and maintaining all incidents reported to the Division. The Division has a computerized system of record keeping whereupon information is entered into the computer system and is accessible in varied formats. This information includes, but is not limited to, police reports: criminal and traffic, stolen property, stolen vehicles, businesses, descriptions of suspects, and other individuals such as known offenders, monikers, aliases, responsible parties, modus operandi, numeric identifiers and traffic summonses.

The Records Unit processed **2,857** traffic accidents during the time frame of January 1 to December 31, 2021. In addition, **19,132** general police reports were read, coded, entered into our computer system and filed.

The Records Unit is also responsible for civilian requests for copies of police reports and other police information. There were **798** traffic reports that were requested and forwarded, in addition **654** police reports were requested and forwarded. Demands for discovery processed by our office totaled **612**. Insurance requests totaled **325**. The Records Unit generated a sum of **\$13,337.70** from the above requests and submitted it to the Finance Office.

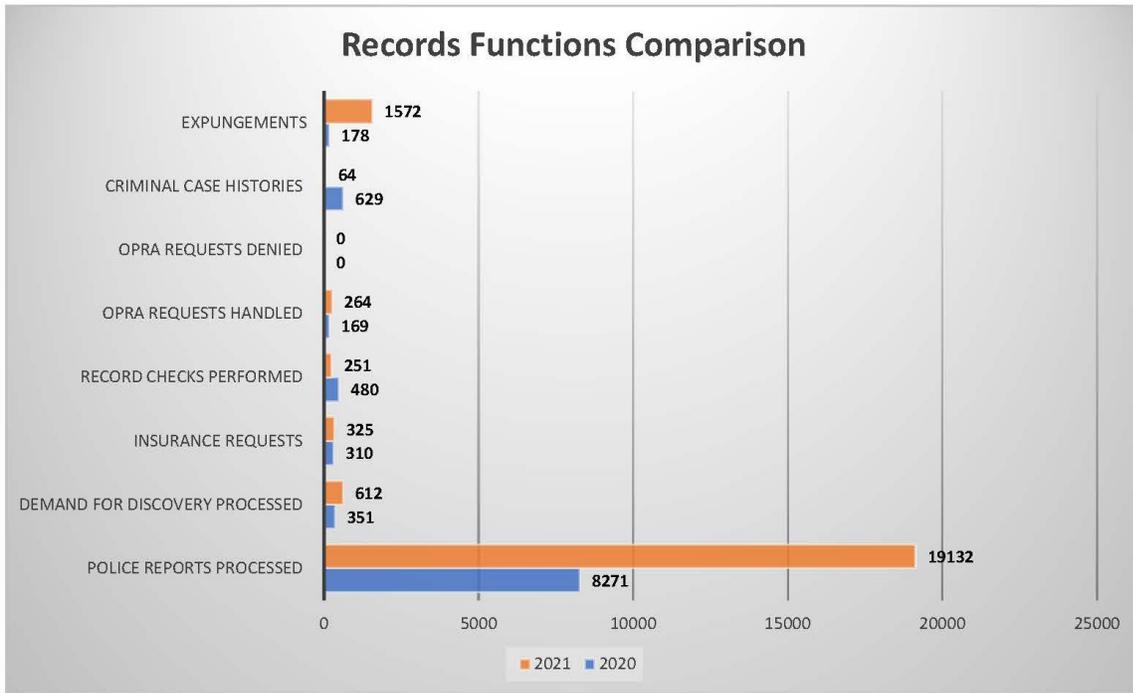
There were also **190** reports sent to the Mercer County Prosecutors office, these include indictable offenses and sudden deaths. A total of **1,010** domestic violence reports were submitted to the County as well as to the New Jersey State Police. **34** bias incidents were reported in Hamilton and submitted to the New Jersey State Police and the Mercer County Prosecutors office. The unit handled a total of **251** record checks. **1,572** expungements were also completed.

Criminal case histories (CCH) for the Municipal Prosecutor became the responsibility of the Records Unit in May 2012. **64** criminal case histories were completed in 2021.

Requests made to the Township under the Open Public Records Act are forwarded to the Police Division from the Hamilton Township Clerks Office for fulfillment. Between January 1 and December 31, 2021, there have been **264** OPRA requests handled by the Records Unit.

The below is a comparison from 1/1/2021 through 12/31/21 to 2020:

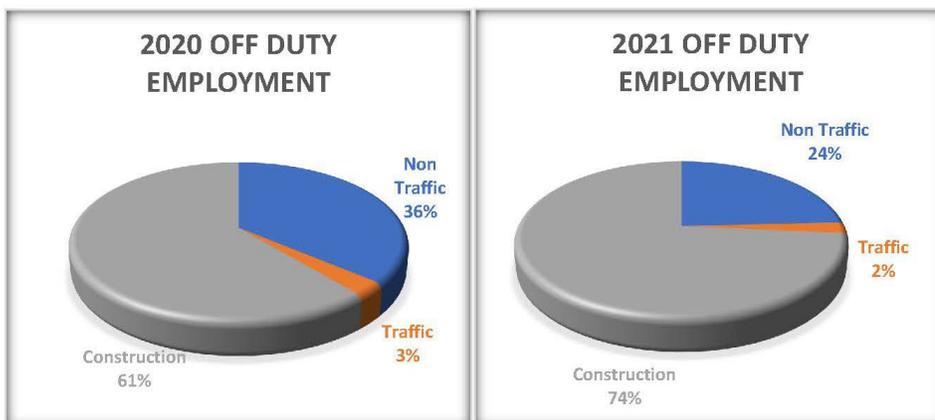
TASK	2021	2020	Change
Police reports processed	19,132	8,271	↑113.68%
Demands for Discovery processed	612	351	↑ 74.35%
Insurance Requests	325	310	↑4.83%
Total Monies generated ***	\$13,337.70	\$15,324.00	↓12.96%
Record Checks performed	251	480	↓47.70%
OPRA requests handled	264	169	↑56.21%
OPRA requests denied	0	0	0%
Criminal Case Histories	64	629	↓89.25%
Expungements	1,572	178	↑783 %



Off-Duty Employment: Requests for Off-Duty Police Officers are handled through the office of the Records Unit Supervisor. Officers file an off-duty employment bid form (PD-399) monthly. Each form is assigned a number from a randomly generated lottery list and work is distributed based on monthly scheduled work calendars and miscellaneous or last-minute assignments as they arise. After assignments are received and an officer is scheduled; weekly invoices are sent to the businesses who requested officers. Upon receipt of payment copies of the invoices and checks along with manpower breakdowns (Traffic, Non-Traffic and Construction) and financial breakdowns (Admin fees, Vehicle fees, Officer costs) are sent to the Finance Office.

From January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 the following transactions were conducted as compared to 2020:

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	
Total Hours Paid (Non Traffic) =	3,185.75	6,026.75	↓47%
Total Hours Paid (Traffic) =	294	459	↓36%
Total Hours Paid (Construction) =	9,667	10,185.50	↓5%
Total Fees Generated =	\$216,574.00	\$264,091.00	↓18%



Each job request generates numerous telephone calls to fill, cancel or change hours; this along with the billing and payment system makes administering this type of service extremely time intensive. To defray clerical costs the Township charges a work permit fee of \$10.00 per hour, per officer. The fee is charged to the person requesting the off-duty officers. Another fee of \$12.00 per hour is charged if a police vehicle is required in a hazardous traffic assignment. These fees increased defray the cost of administrative assistance. The hours listed above reflect all requests for officers that have been paid to date.



Technology Unit: Responsibilities of the Technology Unit include budgeting, coordinating, directing, inventorying, organizing, planning, purchasing, and reporting for all information technology and computer-based matters currently utilized within this Division.

The Technology Unit assists the Chief's Office with data analysis and planning functions of the Division. It assists the Criminal Investigations Section with computer, digital, photographic, and video evidence. The installation, restoration, service, and troubleshooting of all back up data, mobile data systems, network permissions and users, office equipment, PC workstations, servers, and any related network aspects are handled by this unit.

Additional duties include the collection and dissemination of all digital media files as requested by the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office, as well as discovery, OPRA, and subpoena requests.

The NJ Trak II system is also the responsibility of the Technology Unit. This is also known as the Missing Child Alert System and is an integral part of a multi-jurisdictional network that utilizes electronic bulletins.

Additionally, the Hamilton Police Division Intranet is maintained by this unit which posts essential information to all employees.

In 2021 the TSU updated and expanded our body worn camera contract with Axon to include fleet cameras and also to comply with the New Jersey Attorney General's Directive 2021-5, issued May of 2021.

We are currently staffed with one (1) civilian and two (2) sworn law enforcement officers (1 detective, 1 officer) who are invaluable with fulfilling their roles for the operation of the following functions and systems:

Background Investigations

- Civilian Applicants
- Dispatcher Applicants
- Police Applicants
- Tow Truck Companies' Operators/Owners
- Amber Light Permits

Computer Automated Dispatch (CAD)/Mobile/Records Management System (RMS)

- LawSoft Inc.
 - Administration
 - Hardware/Software Issues
 - Management
 - Training

Digital Media

- Axon Body Worn Cameras
 - Hardware Maintenance
 - Training
- Digital Evidence
 - Case Management
 - Discovery
 - Defense
 - Prosecutor
 - Redaction
 - Review
 - Evidence Management
 - OPRA
 - Redaction
 - Review
 - Subpoenas
 - Redaction
 - Review
- Security Cameras
 - HPD Building Cameras
 - Off-Site Cameras



Drones – Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)

- Administration
- Deployment
- Licensing
- Maintenance
- Training

E-mail

- Administration
- Maintenance

Fleet Technology

- Automatic License Plate Readers
- Axon Fleet In-Car Cameras (Phasing In)
- GPS Systems
- L3 In-Car Cameras (Phasing Out)
 - Hardware/Software Management
- Mobile Data Terminals



- Administration
 - Management
- Geographic Information System (GIS)
- Think GIS
 - Maintenance
 - Training
 - Updates

Infrastructure

- Network Administration/Security
 - Administration
 - Cellular Telephones
 - CJIS Integration
 - Desktop PCs
 - Fax Machines
 - Hardware/Software Management
 - Installation
 - Laptops
 - Maintenance
 - Network Development & Maintenance
 - Wired
 - Wireless
 - Printers
 - Scanners
 - Servers
 - Installation
 - Maintenance
 - Network Drives
 - Virtual Private Network (VPN)

Radio System

- Programming/Encryption
 - Dispatch Consoles
 - Handheld Radios
 - Vehicle Radios
- Towers
 - Leases
 - Maintenance
 - Service

Social Media

- Administration
- Archive Social
- Content Creation
- Maintenance



Telephone System

- 911 System

- Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP)
- Telecommunications Systems

Towing & Titles

- Application Filing with NJ MVC
- Inspections
- Investigations
- Point of Contact for Companies/Lienholders/Owners

Township Permit & Licensing Investigations

- Bingo/Raffle
- Massage Parlors
- Solicitors
- Taxi Operators/Owners

Honor Guard: The twenty-six officers and three supervisors of the Hamilton Police Honor Guard

attended a total of **6** events over the course of the year. Many of the public events were cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.



OPERATIONS BUREAU
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS SECTION

Personnel Changes: Det. L. MacArthur

Retired

December, 2021

Detective Unit: The Detective Unit is responsible for continuing investigations of all major crimes. The use of basic and advanced investigative techniques, case preparation, courtroom testimony interviews, interrogation, case review and evaluation are the general duties of the Criminal Investigations Section.

The Detective Unit is divided into two squads. These squads handle major crimes and general assignments. Both squads maintain specially trained fire investigators. Investigations are assigned to Detectives based on solvability factors such as time, place and type of crime, quality of witnesses, reports and physical evidence as determined by a Supervisor.

Detective Unit Cases:

Year	Cases Assigned	Cleared by Arrest	Cleared by Investigation	Cleared Exceptionally	Currently Under Investigation	Confirmed Shooting Incidents
2021	1,378	167	282	4	907	11
2020	1,529	224	293	0	1,116	7

The Detective Unit maintains a Sergeant that is responsible for Domestic Violence Coordination within the Police Division. Currently, the Domestic Violence Liaison is Detective Sergeant M. Watson. In 2021, there were 1,010 Domestic Violence Incidents reported as compared to 823 in 2020.

Domestic Violence Incidents:

Year	DV Incidents	Arrests	DVVRT Responded	DVVRT Refused	TRO's Granted	TRO's Denied
2021	1,010	370	25	526	176	22
2020	823	332	26	548	139	21

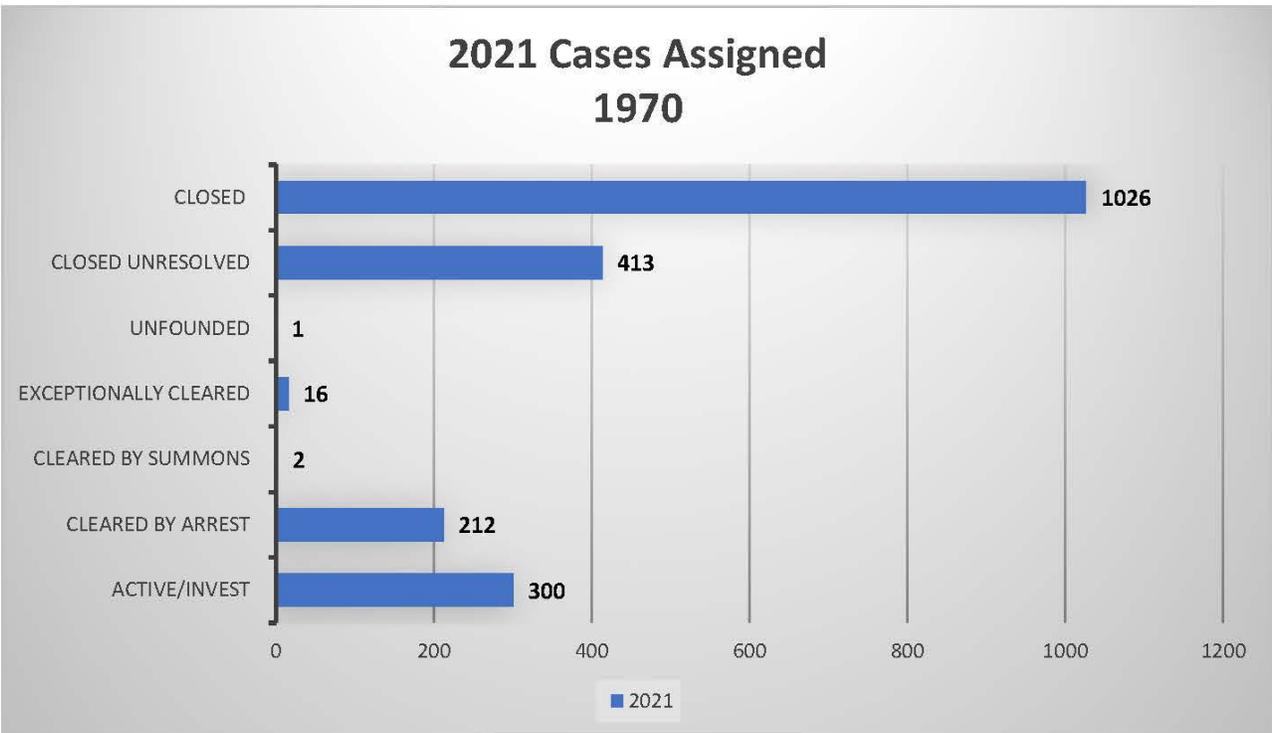
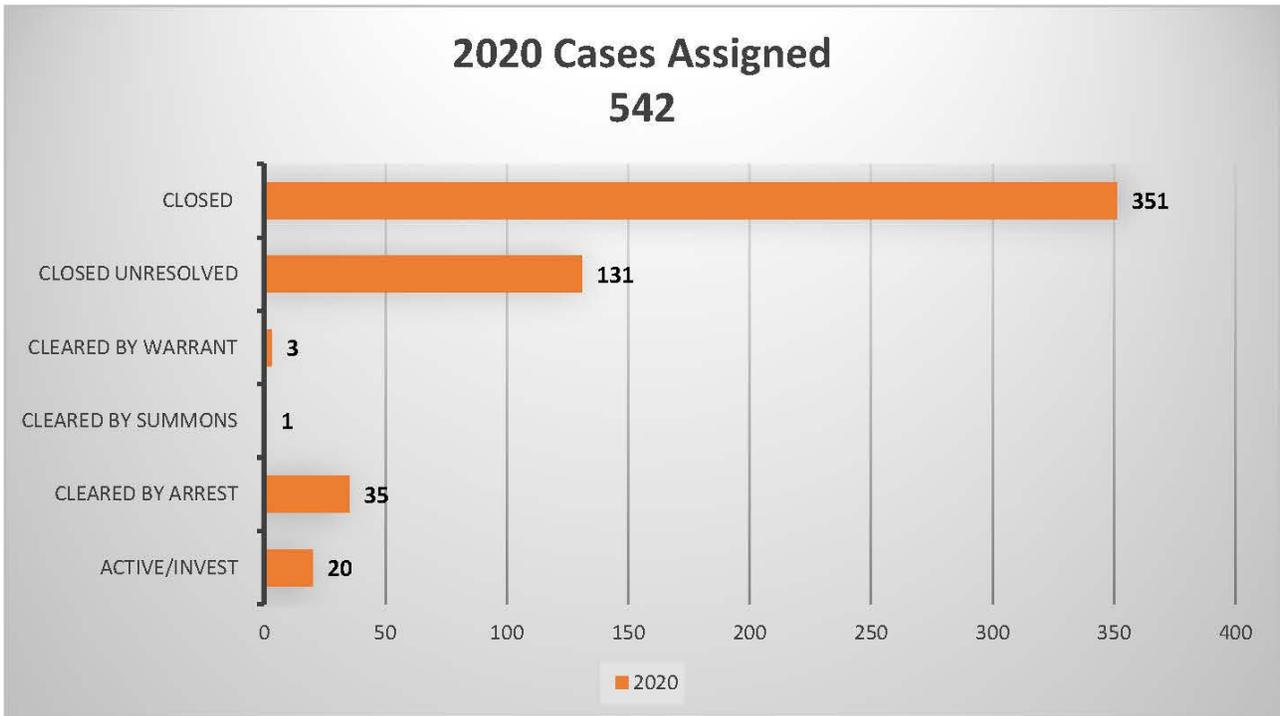
Economic Crimes Unit: The Economic Crimes Unit handles economic crimes involving frauds, embezzlements, identity theft and bad check investigations. The Economic Crimes Unit is currently under evaluation for reconstruction with the Major Crimes Unit.

Economic Crimes Cases:

Year	Cases Assigned	Cleared by Arrest	Cleared by Investigation	Cleared Exceptionally	Currently Under Investigation
2021	237	21	60	131	25
2020	204	22	43	83	56

A large number of economic crime incidents are handled via a phone call to the victim from one of the detectives or a supervisor ensuring the victim has made the appropriate calls to credit card companies, banks or credit agencies informing them of the incident.

Criminal Investigation Section



Juvenile Unit: The Juvenile Unit is responsible for investigating criminal cases involving juvenile suspects, juvenile status offenses, child physical abuse, sexual assaults, missing or runaway juveniles, school related incidents and incidents requiring the placement of juveniles into the Middlesex County Youth Detention Center. The unit is also called upon to assist the Detective Unit with major cases as the need arises.

Realizing the importance of a safe school’s environment, the unit serves as liaison to the Hamilton Township School District to include other private and parochial schools located in Hamilton Township. They make routine school visits and coordinate investigations with the Hamilton Police School Resource Officers. The Juvenile Detective Sergeant is currently assigned to the Hamilton Township School District Safe Schools Committee.

The Juvenile Unit staff also attends monthly training and informational / intelligence meetings with the Mercer County Juvenile Officers Association, Gang Task Force and the New Jersey State Juvenile Officers Association for the purpose of training and intelligence sharing. The Juvenile Unit conducted **567** investigations; **58** were cleared by arrest, **110** cleared by investigation, **2** exceptionally cleared, and **72** currently under investigation. Many of the juvenile cases assigned are handled through means other than a juvenile arrest as directed by the Juvenile Justice Commission. Other methods may include stationhouse adjustments, restitution or counseling. There were **53** juvenile ECDR complaints, **57** incidents of child abuse / child sexual assault, **14** criminal complaints signed against adults, and **30** returned missing juveniles.

Juvenile Unit Cases:

Year	Cases Assigned	Cleared by Arrest	Cleared by Investigation	Cleared Exceptionally	Currently Under Investigation
2021	567	58	110	2	72
2020	471	72	140	0	59

Year	Counseled Referrals	Child Abuse Sexual Assault	Juvenile ECDR Complaints	Stationhouse Adjustments	Adult Criminal Complaints
2021	374	57	53	10	14
2020	184	34	139	9	13

Identification Unit: The Identification Unit is responsible for the preservation and photography of all crime scenes, locating and collecting various types of physical evidence. The ID Unit is also responsible for Megan’s Law Enforcement which includes registration and verification of sex offender addresses and unannounced visits by Detectives. In 2021, the ID Unit registered **65** sex offenders as compared to **70** in 2020 and is currently in the process of conducting unannounced address verifications.

Additionally, the Identification Detectives compare fingerprints and / or palm prints to establish the identity of persons incarcerated under fictitious names or the comparison of prints recovered

at crime scenes against a possible suspect. In July of 2017, the ID Unit began tracking AFIS hits from fingerprint submissions. All AFIS hits are cross matched against cases assigned to Detectives in the Criminal Investigations Section for follow up and the issuance of criminal complaints. In 2021, the Identification Unit also conducted **1,692** firearms permit to purchase background investigations.

Year	Registered Sex Offenders	Firearms Permit Background Investigations	AFIS Hits
2021	65	1,692	46
2020	70	1,115	55

Bias Incident Offense Reports: The New Jersey Bias Incident Offense Reports are required of all law enforcement agencies in the State of New Jersey. The Division of Criminal Justice (DCJ) and New Jersey State Police (NJSP) have designated an electronic reporting system for this purpose the Electronic Uniform Crime Reporting (eUCR) portal. When a bias incident report is submitted into the eUCR portal, the information is automatically forwarded to the Bias Crimes Unit at the DCJ, the NJSP, the New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness, and the Mercer County Prosecutors.

2021: 34 2020: 31

Duty to Warn: The New Jersey Duty to Warn Law requires mental health practitioners to notify the Chief Law Enforcement Officer, within the jurisdiction of where the patient resides, that the patient communicated imminent threats of serious harm to himself, herself or others. Upon investigation and when necessary, the Police will take action, with the courts, to revoke all firearms permits and seek to collect any firearms owned by the patient, or that they may have access to.

2021: 0 2020: 2

Extreme Risk Protective Order (ERPO): The New Jersey Extreme Risk Protective Order (ERPO) Law creates a process through which a family or household member, or a law enforcement officer, may apply for an order against a person who presents a significant danger of bodily injury to himself, herself or others by possessing or purchasing a firearm. Issuance of the ERPO, prohibits that individual from possessing or purchasing a firearm, or ammunition, and from holding any firearms identification cards or permits.

2021: 1 2020: 2

Humane Law Enforcement Officer (HLEO): The Police Division has nine Detectives assigned to investigate all animal cruelty complaints. Division Detectives have received specialized training, conducted by the Mercer County Prosecutor’s Office through the Police Training Commission to investigate and charge individuals with animal cruelty complaints.

2021: 22 2020: 5

U and T VISA Assignments: The United States U and T Visas are nonimmigrant visas for victims of crimes, and their immediate family members, who are willing to assist law

enforcement with the investigation. These U and T Visas allow nonimmigrants to remain in the United States, for the duration of the law enforcement and/or prosecution inquiry. T Visas are specifically designated for victims of human trafficking.

2021: 4

2020: 1

Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC): There were **4** ABC Investigations for businesses serving alcohol, including the alcohol licensure transfers to new owners for 2021. There was also 1 Employee Investigation for personnel that work in a private ABC establishment. Catered Social Events, where alcohol will be served, are also regulated through ABC Online Permits. There were **41** electronic approvals for ABC Online Permits generated for 2021. There was a total of **34** Solicitor/Vendor Background Checks that the CIS conducted for 2021 as well.



FIELD OPERATIONS SECTION
TRAFFIC UNIT

Traffic Unit: The Traffic Unit consists of one (1) Lieutenant, one (1) Sergeant and ten (10) Officers.



The Traffic Unit is responsible for all fatal crashes or those involving serious bodily injury. The Traffic Unit also maintains certifications on the Alcotest units along with maintenance of the DWI equipment. It is also responsible for Division wide training on radar and certifications of radar equipment. The unit processed **156** Handicapped Placards for the year. Officers assigned to the Concentrated Radar Enforcement Workforce (CREW) respond directly to citizens' concerns and complaints regarding speeding.

Personnel Changes:
None

Traffic Crashes Investigated Total: 2857

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Traffic Unit crash investigations:	1,574	1,564
Fatal Crash investigation	5	
Serious injury crash investigations	4	
Division Summonses Total Issued:	5,800	4,418
Division D.W.I Arrests:	70	67
Traffic Summonses Total Issued:	2,772	1,684
• Crash Summonses:	655	801
• Speeding:	462	278
• Hazardous:	358	218
• Other Non-Hazardous:	875	472
• Parking:	422	124

Arrests Total: 13

• D.W.I :	9	15
• Criminal :	3	4
• Warrant :	1	7

Township Ordinance Total:	22	6
Funeral Escorts:	13	8

Traffic Officers Attending Training:

P/O LaVacca	Standard Field Sobriety Test	05/03-05/07/21
P/O Clugsten	Crash 2	09/13-09/24/21

Drug Recognition Experts: 2

2021 Traffic Events:

- Newbon Funeral 03/27/21
- Sunnybrae Little League Parade 05/21/21
- Juneteenth Bike Ride 06/19/21
- NJ Baseball Tournament 06/16-06/20/21
- July 4th Fireworks 07/03/21
- NJ Triathlon 07/17-07/18/21
- 9-11 Ceremony 09/11/21
- Oktoberfest 10/17/21

School Traffic Guards: There are currently 49 permanent School Traffic Guards and 1 of which is a Substitute School Traffic Guard. They cover 62 Crossing Posts.

Traffic Crash Analysis: The Police Division investigated a total of **2,857** motor vehicle crashes. Of these crashes, Traffic Officers investigated 1574 motor vehicle crashes.

The intersection with the most crashes was Nottingham Way / Klockner Road (38).

668 crashes occurred on private property. Of the 668 crashes, **138** occurred on private property within the Hamilton Marketplace. Traffic Officers investigated 55% of all reported Motor Vehicle Crashes. This is a decrease from the previous year by 7%.

The Division issued **469** Speeding Summonses. Of the 469 summonses, Traffic Officers issued **462** Speeding Summonses.

Traffic Officers issued 99% of all the Speeding Summonses. This is a 2% increase from the previous year.

Crew Analysis:

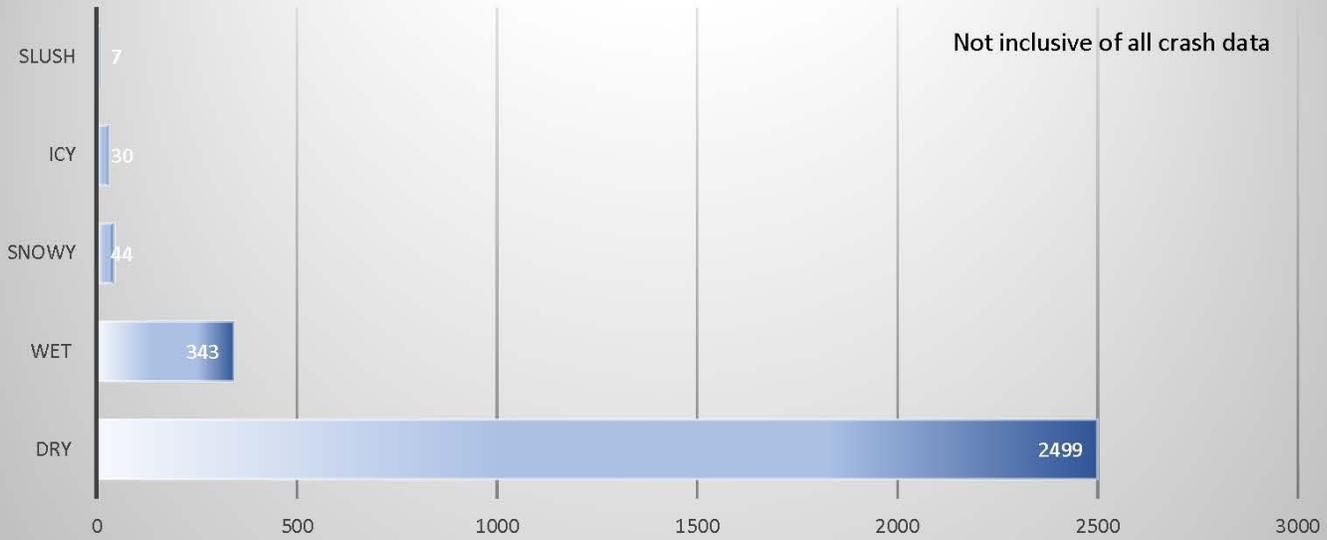
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
• Total time for CREW enforcement:	1,074.55 hrs	694.71 hrs
• CREW speeding summonses issued:	275	199
• Other summonses issued:	132	72
• Arrests on CREW:	1	0

Traffic Grants:

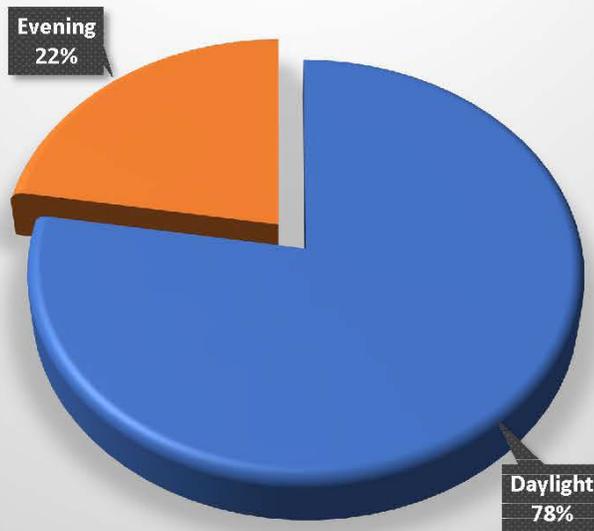
Distracted Driver: 2021 \$12,000 2020 Cancelled (Reimbursement) April
Click It-or-Ticket: 2021 \$7,500 2020 Cancelled (Reimbursement) May/June
Drive Sober End of Year 2021 \$9,000 2020 Cancelled (Reimbursement) December/January
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund (DDEF) - FY 2021/22 – \$8,113.91 FY 2020 - \$6,483.31

Traffic Unit

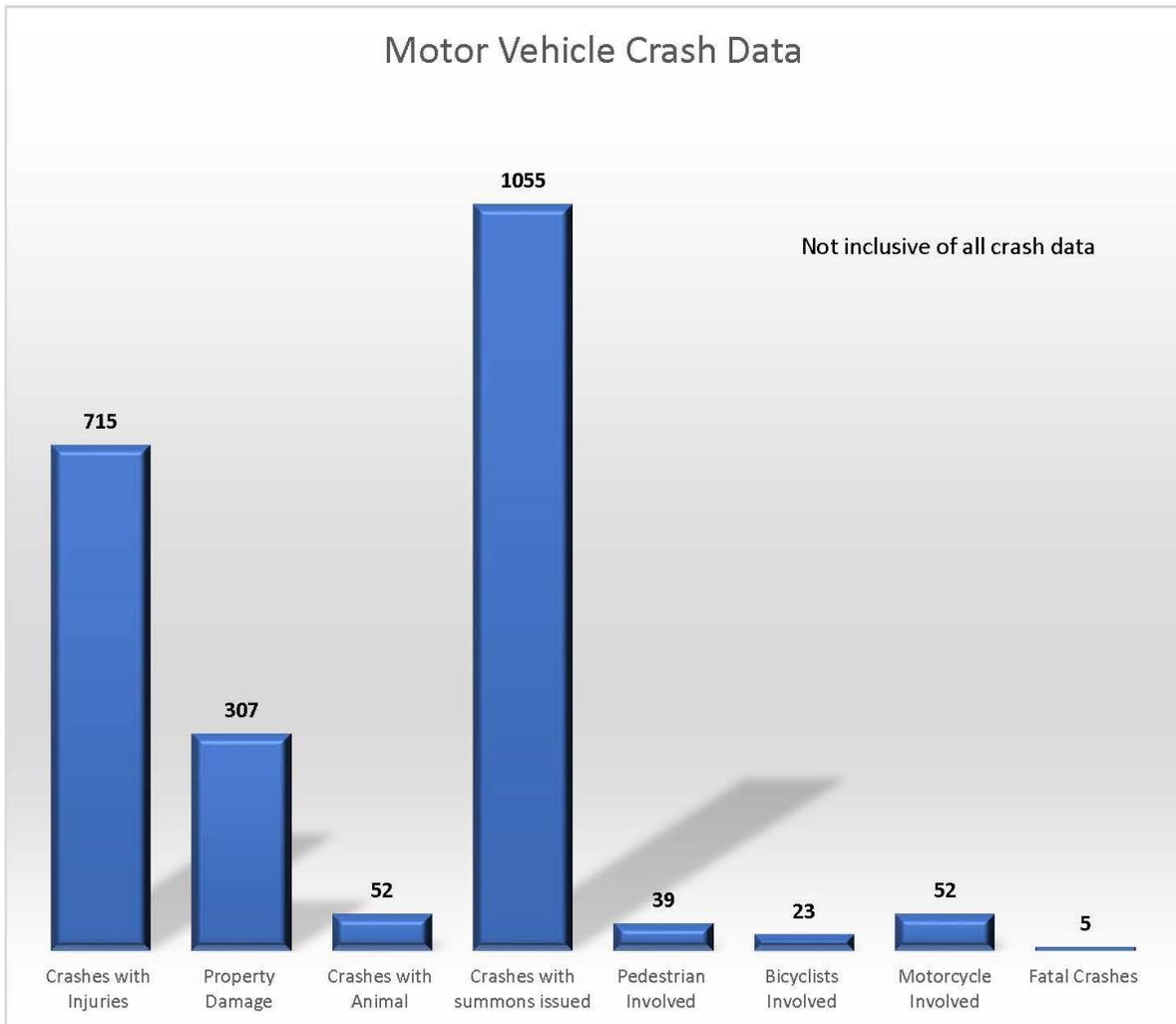
Motor Vehicle Crashes by Weather Condition



Motor Vehicle Crashes by Lighting Conditions

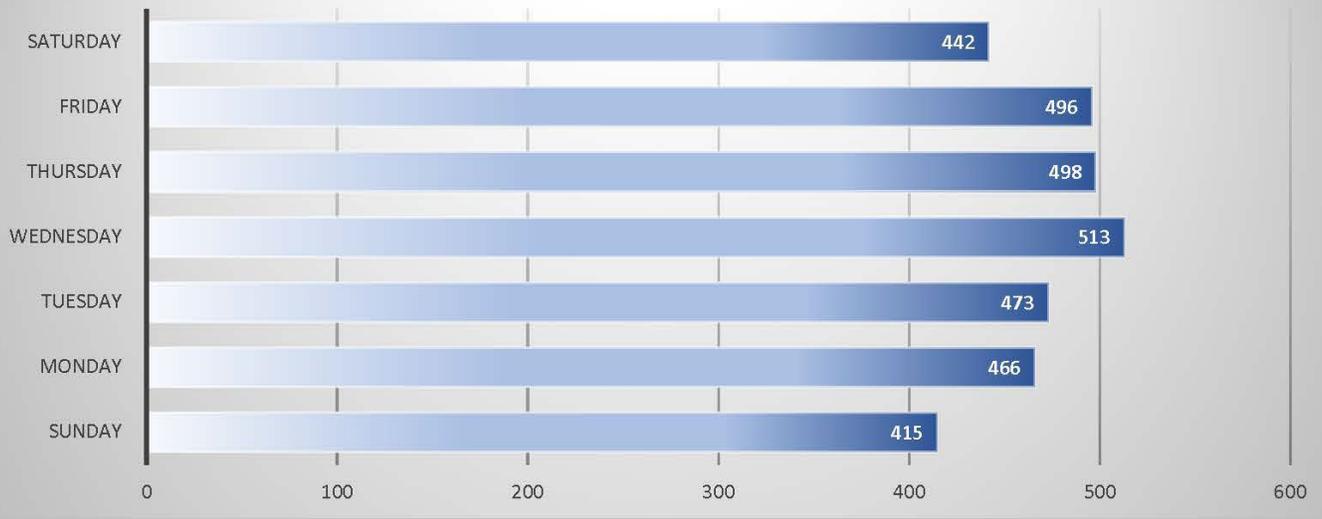


Traffic Unit

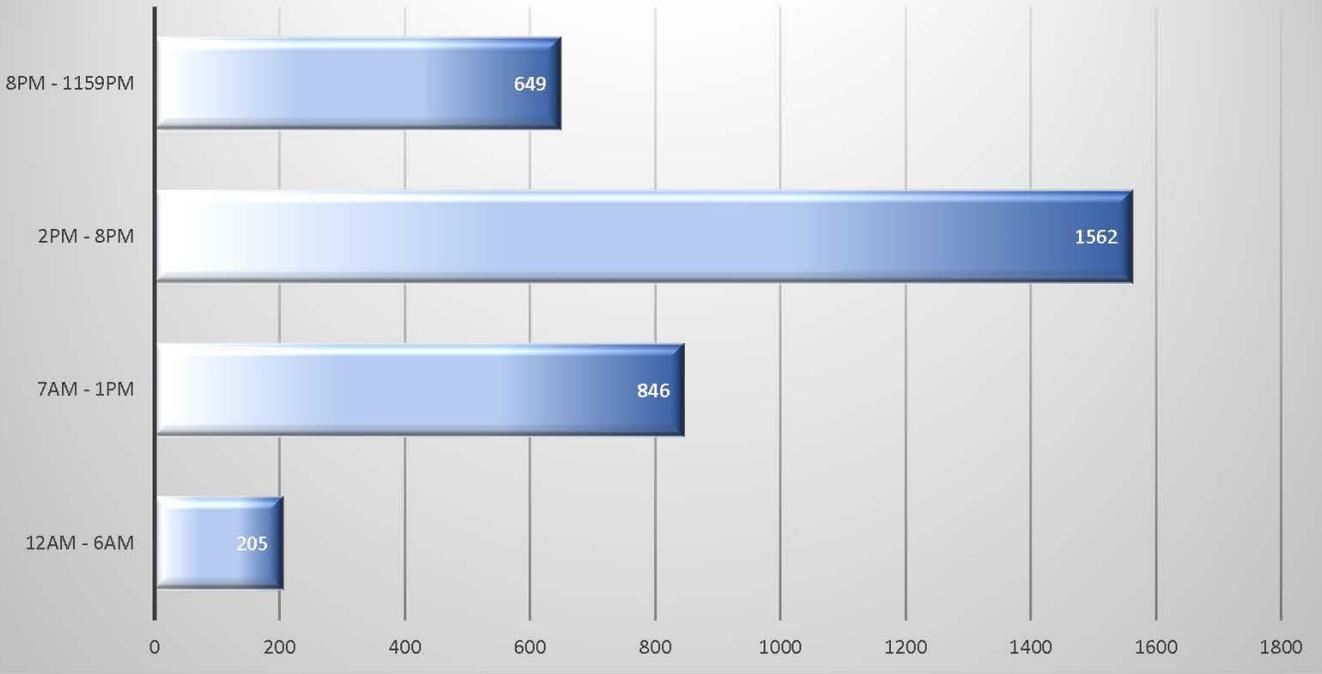


Traffic Unit

Motor Vehicle Crashes by Day



Motor Vehicle Crashes by Time of Day



ANTI-CRIME UNIT

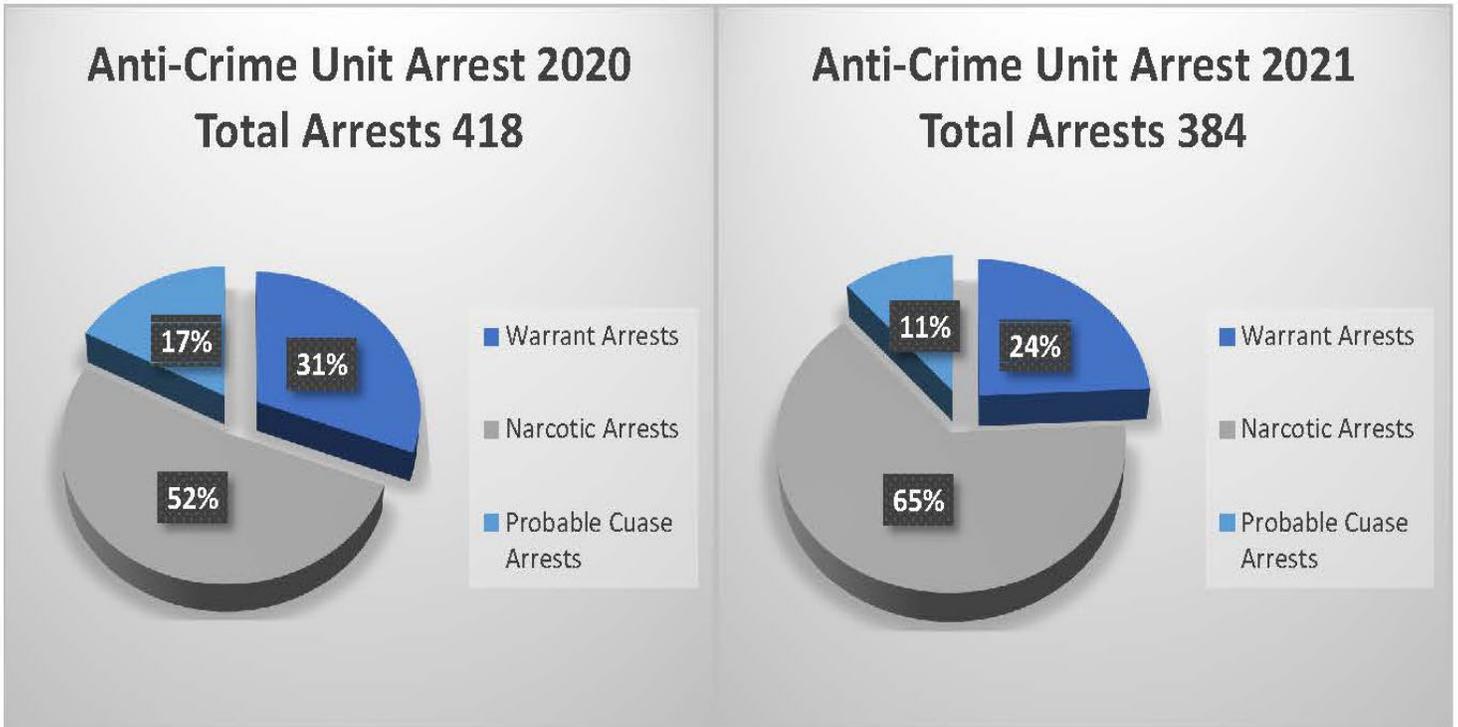


The Anti-Crime Unit consists of one Lieutenant that oversees the Alpha Squad with one Sergeant and six (6) Officers and the Bravo Squad with one Sergeant and six (6) Officers. As well as assisting other sections in the Division; the unit is a proactive unit directing its resources at gang related incidents, narcotics offenses, motor vehicle violations and directed crime suppression assignments based on monthly COMSTAT Meetings.

Personnel Changes:

P/O J. Rickey	Transferred to Relief Alpha	October, 2021
P/O M. McGowan	Assigned to ACU Bravo	October, 2021

Anti-Crime Unit Activities:	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Total Arrests:	384	418
Warrant Arrests:	93	129
Narcotics Arrests:	248	217
Probable Cause Arrests:	43	72
Traffic Summons:	607	428

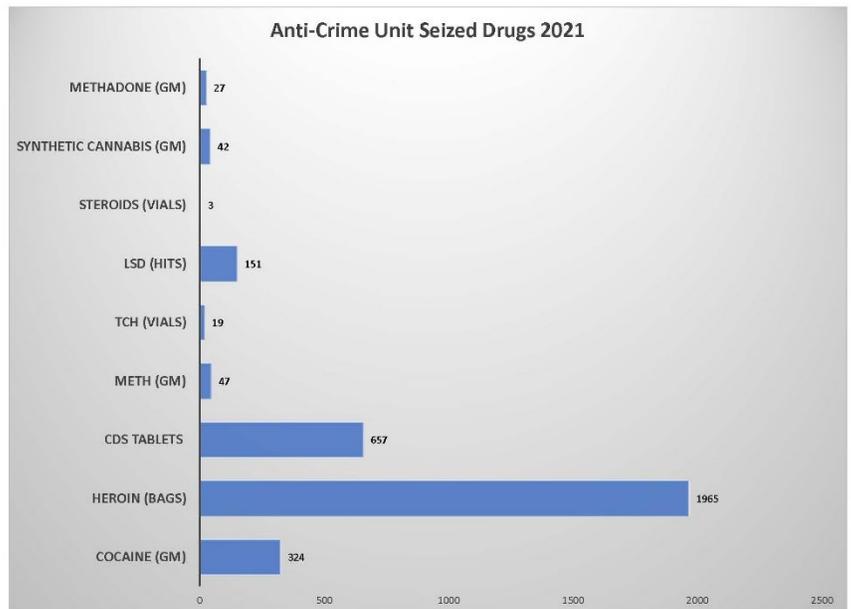


Anti-Crime Unit Traffic Summons Issued



Recovered or Seized Property / Evidence:

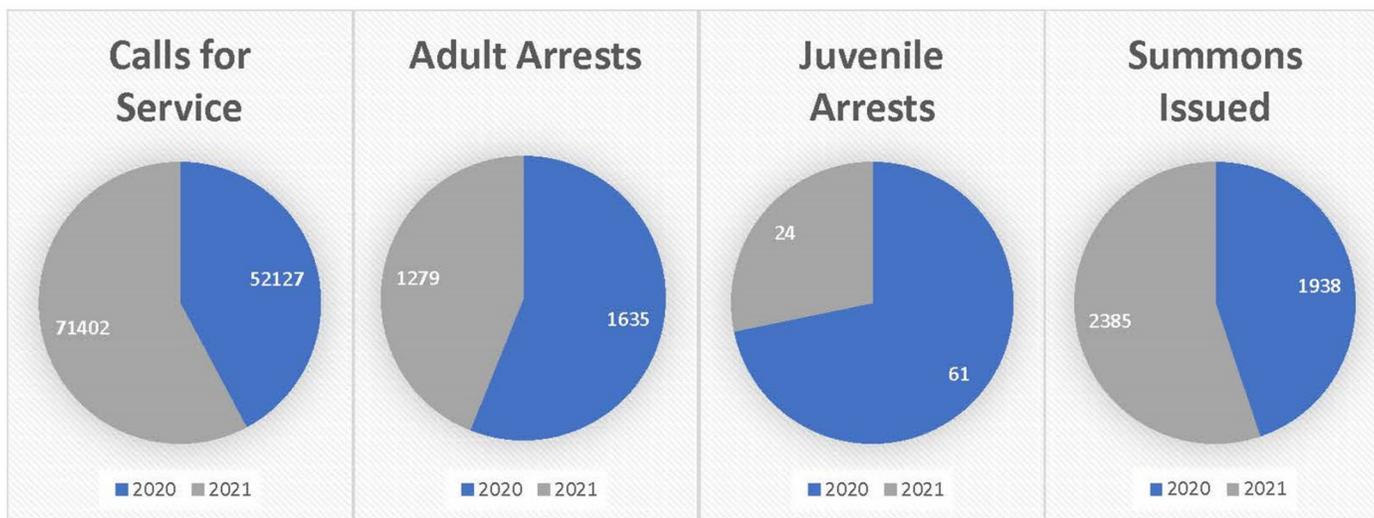
Cocaine: 324 gm
 Bags of Heroin: 1,965
 CDS Tablets: 657
 Meth: 47 gm
 THC: 19 vials
 Hits of LSD: 151
 Steroids: 3 vials
 Synthetic Cannabis: 42 gm
 Methadone: 27 gm
 PCP: 19 gm
 Mushroom: 154 gm
 Suboxone: 12
 Stolen Motor Vehicles Recovered: 5
 Firearms (handguns) Recovered: 3
 Cash Seized: \$5,837.00
 Motor Vehicle Seized: 1



Between January and December 2021, the officers of the Anti-Crime Unit (ACU) executed 2 narcotic search warrants, apprehended; 3 commercial trailer burglars, 3 catalytic converter thieves, 1 auto burglar, and 1 porch package thief.

PATROL BUREAU

Patrol Stats:	2020	2021		Change %
Calls for Service:	52,127	71,402	+19,275	↑36.98%
Adult Arrests:	1,635	1,279	-356	↓21.77%
Juvenile Arrests:	61	24	- 37	↓60.66%
Patrol Summons Issued:	1,938	2,385	+447	↑23.07%



Patrol Training: Training continues to be a goal within the Patrol Bureau however the Covid-19 Pandemic has all but eliminated the amount of training that has occurred this year.

Covid-19: The Covid-19 pandemic has greatly affected daily life across the United States as well as in the Township of Hamilton. During the summer months, Officers normally assigned to the Educational Services Unit (School Resource Officers and L.E.A.D.S. Officers) were assigned to Patrol Platoons and Traffic Unit to provide added coverage.

Depending on the prevalence of Covid-19 infections, changes were made to protect Division Personnel as needed and have included.

- Officers were deployed in one person Patrol Units.
- Police Personnel were required to wear N95 masks when having contact with the public.
- In-person roll calls were suspended and were conducted virtually.
- Headquarters was secured with restricted access to the public.
- Many minor calls for service were conducted via telephone in order to minimize public contact.
 - The Prisoner Transport Van #734 was utilized for all prisoner transports, thus minimizing close quarters contact with Officers and prisoners. Disinfectants were provided for both personal use and throughout Division Headquarters.

The number of calls for service has increased dramatically in 2021 far exceeding the pandemic levels of 2020. The number of arrests has decreased significantly, likely a continued result of the Covid-19 pandemic that stifled these numbers several months into 2020 and fewer arrests due to the newly adopted marijuana legislation. Motor vehicle summons have increased, but not to pre-pandemic levels.

One new Public Safety Telecommunicators were hired this year and was trained by Division Personnel.



CHIEF'S OFFICE

In addition to the three Bureaus, the Chief's Office is responsible for the following:

- Budget and Planning
- Community Policing Unit
- Narcotics Unit
- Office of Professional Responsibility
- Staffing, currently there are the following vacancies: 1 Records Unit position, 1 IT Unit position

Personnel Retirements:

Lieutenant Brian Schroeder, December 2021

Detective Lawrence MacArthur, December 2021

Community Policing Unit: The Community Policing Unit conducts crime prevention surveys, background investigations for new police applicants and civilian personnel assigned to the Division. The Community Police Unit is primarily responsible for working with the residents and business communities in enhancing the quality of life through crime prevention and partnership building.

- Address and investigate incidents of graffiti and gang related activity
- Daily patrols of the Transit Center, Township Parks and businesses
- Attend community events including HPD's Toys for Tots, National Night Out, Autism Awareness, Coffee with Cops, and Breast Cancer Awareness
- Assist our School Resource Officers and Juvenile Unit
- Assist with Service Requests
- Conduct firearms application background investigations
- Police Blotter updates
- Assist with Service Requests (Q-Alerts)
- Crime Statistical Analysis for COMSTAT meetings
- Prepare information for publication on social media

Unfortunately, due to continued Covid-19 restrictions, the Community Policing Unit was unable to coordinate events such as:

- Neighborhood Watch Meetings
- School events
- Reading at the Library

Coordinate and administer the following programs:

- Residential & Commercial Security Surveys, Security Device and Assist Program
- Stranger Alert notifications
- Neighborhood Watch membership / applications

Despite Covid-19 restrictions the community policing unit found alternative ways to engage with the public.

Autism Awareness

In 1970, the Autism Society launched an ongoing nationwide effort to promote autism awareness and assure that all affected by autism are able to achieve the highest quality of life possible. In 1972, the Autism Society launched the first annual National Autistic Children’s week, which evolved into Autism Acceptance Month (AAM). This April, we continue our efforts to spread awareness, promote acceptance, and ignite change.

The Autism Society of America, the nation’s oldest leading grassroots autism organization, is proud to celebrate Autism Acceptance Month in April 2021 with its “Celebrate Differences” campaign. Designed to build a better awareness of the signs, symptoms, and realities of autism, [#CelebrateDifferences](#) focuses on providing information and resources for communities to be more aware of autism, promote acceptance, and be more inclusive in everyday life.

The Autism Society recognizes that the prevalence of autism in the United States has risen from 1 in 125 children in 2010 to 1 in 54 in 2020 – recognizing this continued increase, the goal for AAM is to further increase awareness about autism signs, symptoms and opportunities through: information and referrals, events, printable and digital resources, and community partnerships with businesses and organizations dedicated to building inclusive experiences.

The Autism Society has a variety of resources designed to inform and encourage communities to celebrate differences, and become more inclusive of individuals with autism. The campaign will overlap with World Autism Awareness Day on April 2nd, and continue throughout the month. We have updated our Facebook profile picture to support their Celebrate Differences campaign.

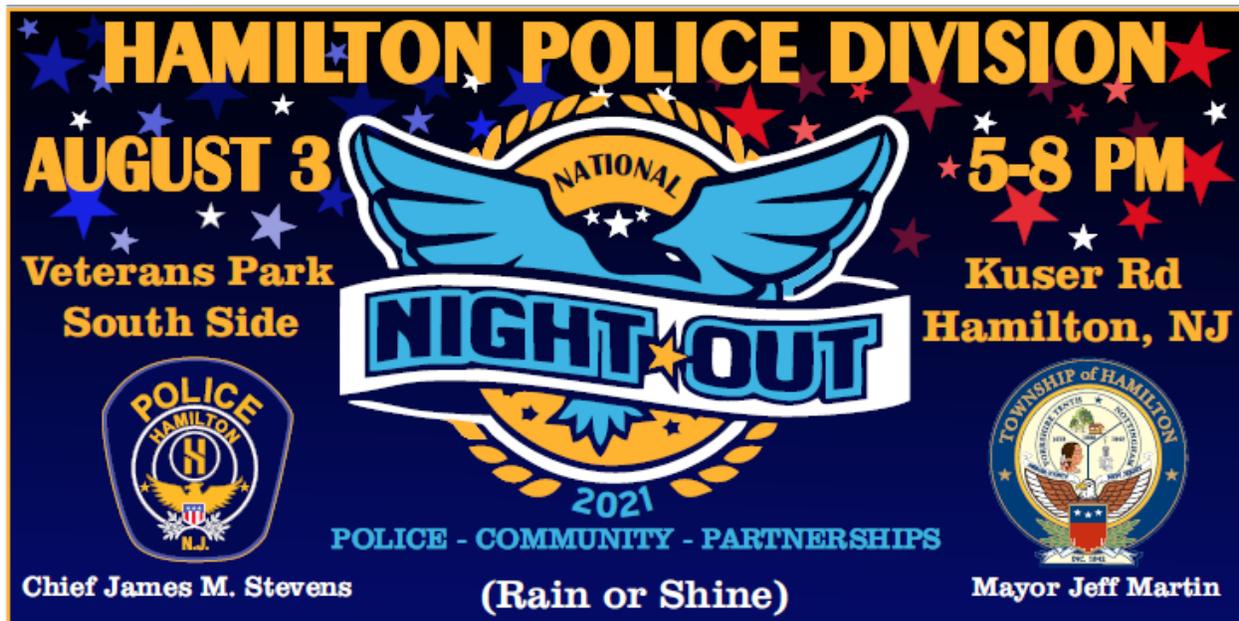


In conjunction with this cause, members of the Community Policing Unit, Hamilton Police Division and Robbinsville PD held a joint outdoor coffee with a cop to promote autism awareness. We had many supporters join us on what was a cold and windy day. We got to meet and speak with many residents who were autistic or had friends and family with Autism. It was a great way to breach barriers and understand how we could serve members of our community with Autism.



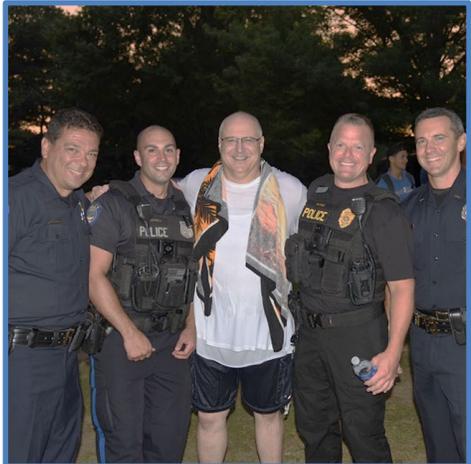
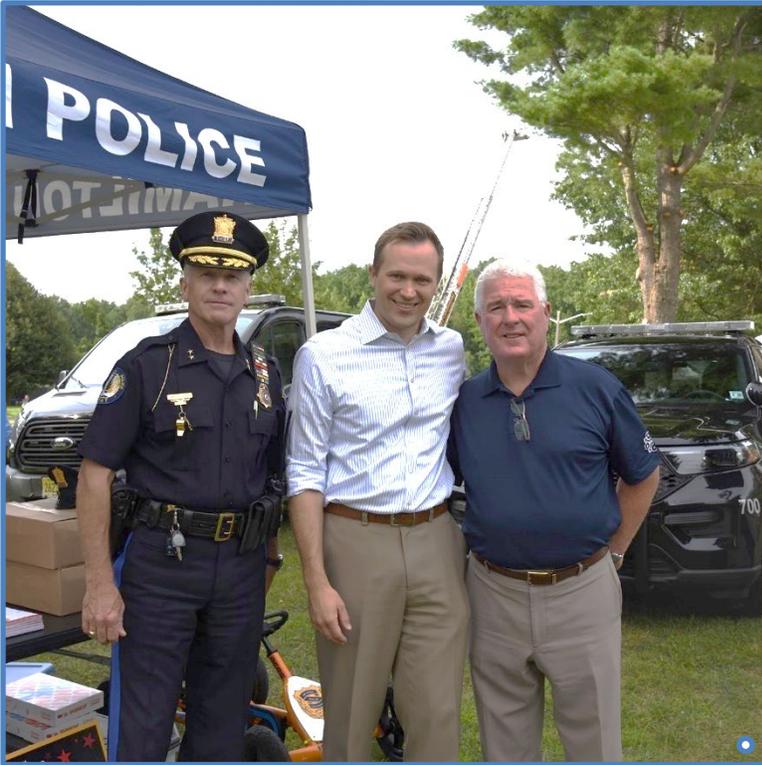
In addition to that campaign the Hamilton Police Division made a special addition Hamilton Police Patch. That patch was used on our social media accounts for the month of April. A magnetic version of the patch was also made a placed on each of our patrol vehicles. Residents were also provided with those magnets, so they could place them on their cars or houses to alert police officers that someone at the residence has Autism so that we can better serve their needs.





National Night Out is by far the largest public event that the Community Policing Unit organizes. Planning for the event normally begins 8 – 9 months before the event. Year after year the event continues to grow. What once started on the front lawn of police headquarters with some pizza and police equipment has grown into quite a spectacular event that occupies half of Veterans Park. This year definitely raised the bar another notch from the previous years. We had police equipment on display, fire equipment on display, construction equipment, cars, vendors, games, food and so much more. This year it was hard to determine who drew a larger crowd, the dunk tank which hosted high profile targets, like Mayor Jeff Martin, Police Captain Joe Klimaszewski, and Fire Chief Rich Kraemer or the fleet of military, police and rescue helicopters that flew overhead and touched down in the field for some photo ops.

It is important to note that this is all possible due to the generosity and donations of local businesses and fellow Hamiltonians. Without their support we would not be able to continue to improve upon this event.





October Breast Cancer Awareness

1 in 8 U.S. women (13%) will develop invasive breast cancer over the course of their lifetime. In 2021, an estimated 281,550 new cases of invasive breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed in women in the United States, along with 49,290 new cases of non-invasive breast cancer. About 2,651 new cases of invasive breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed in men in 2021. A man's lifetime risk of breast cancer is about 1 in 833.

The Hamilton Police Division wants you to remember these alarming statistics about breast cancer and consider cancer screening with your physician.

Every Hamilton Police Division marked vehicle will display a pink ribbon with our Police Division patch, starting October 1 to October 31. We hope that our visible display of support for this cause will encourage everyone to consider their health risk for this deadly disease and seek the advice of their physician for cancer screening.



Toys for Tots Toy Drive



One of our most heartfelt opportunities we have is our annual Toys for Tots Toy Drive. This is another event spearheaded by the Community Policing Unit, often months ahead time. This event we join forces with the United States Marine Corps to collect toys for local children in need during holiday season. During this time, we distribute collection boxes to local businesses in the area, Police HQ, and other township locations. This year we also collected toys at a local car show hosted by Disturbed Car Club and Hamilton's own Winter Wonderland.

Hamiltonians were overwhelmingly generous this year. With everyone's support we collected 1,904 toys which was the second largest collection of the area. Amazon Warehouse was the largest by a small margin.

A special thank you to the following supporters for their contributions to our 2021 Toys for Tots Toy Drive:

- Mayor Jeffrey S. Martin
- Hamilton Township Public Works
- Hamilton Township Parks and Recreation
- Hamilton Township Senior Center
- Foley's Family Market
- Killarney's Publick House
- Hamilton Car Wash
- Family Fun Hobbies
- Ancient Order of Hibernians
- Neighbors at Connor Court
- Neighbors at Wedge Drive



Internal Affairs Unit: The New Jersey Attorney General Guidelines governing Police Internal Affairs Policy & Procedures directs each police agency to periodically release a brief synopsis of all complaints where a termination, reduction in rank or grade, and/or suspension of more than five days was assessed to a division member. The synopsis shall include the identity of each officer subject to final discipline, a brief summary of their transgressions, and a statement of the sanction imposed. No Division Officers were terminated, demoted, or suspended for more than five days.

Agency Name:	Hamilton Police Division
Year:	2021

Annual Internal Affairs Summary																	
	Pending from Prior Years	New cases	Cases Closed	Source of Complaint			Criminal Outcome				Internal Disciplinary Outcome					Pending End of Year	
				Agency	Civilian	Anon.	Conviction	Diversion	Acquittal	Dismissal	Exonerated	Not Sustained	Unfounded	Admin. Closed	Sustained		
Excessive Force	0	5	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0
Improper Arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Improper Entry	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Improper Search	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Other Criminal Violation	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Differential Treatment	0	4	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Demeanor	0	7	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	2	0
Domestic Violence	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Other Rule Violation	3	25	28	17	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	2	0	21	0
Total Cases Opened	50																
Total Cases Closed	49																
Total Pending Cases	10																
Total Cases >180 Days	1																

Disposition Definitions:

Sustained: The investigation disclosed sufficient evidence to prove the allegation against the officer by a preponderance of the evidence.

Exonerated: The alleged incident did occur, but the actions of the officer were justified, legal and proper.

Not Sustained: The investigation failed to disclose sufficient evidence to clearly prove or disprove the allegation.

Unfounded: The alleged incident did not occur.

Administratively Closed: Examples include situations where a complainant withdrawal the complaint or the subject officer terminates his or her employment prior to disposition of the complaint.

Narcotics Unit: Narcotics officers assist the New Jersey State Police Opiate Task Force, Crime Suppression Unit and the Mercer County Prosecutor’s Office Narcotic Task Force. They conduct various confidential narcotics and vice investigations throughout the Township. Hamilton Police Narcotics Unit officers brought in \$34,878.00 in Municipal Law Enforcement Trust Account (MLETA) funds. MLETA is a program administered by Mercer County for all law enforcement agencies within the jurisdiction of Mercer County. The funds are distributed throughout law enforcement agencies in Mercer County by obtaining funds from suspects when monies are forfeited or items are seized and sold at auction. Each agency receives a share of these monies for their participation in the investigations and arrests.

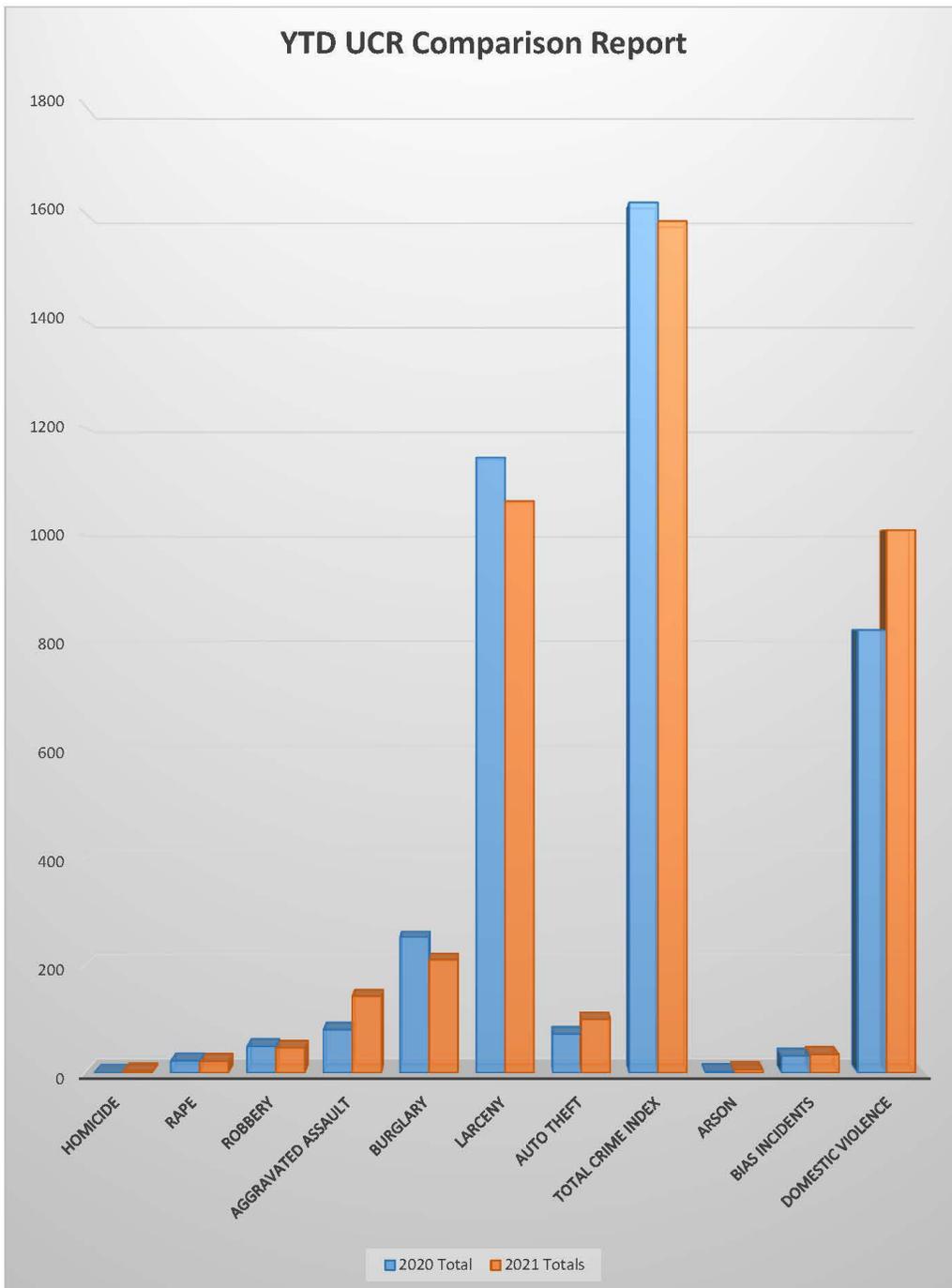
2021 vs 2020 UCR Comparison

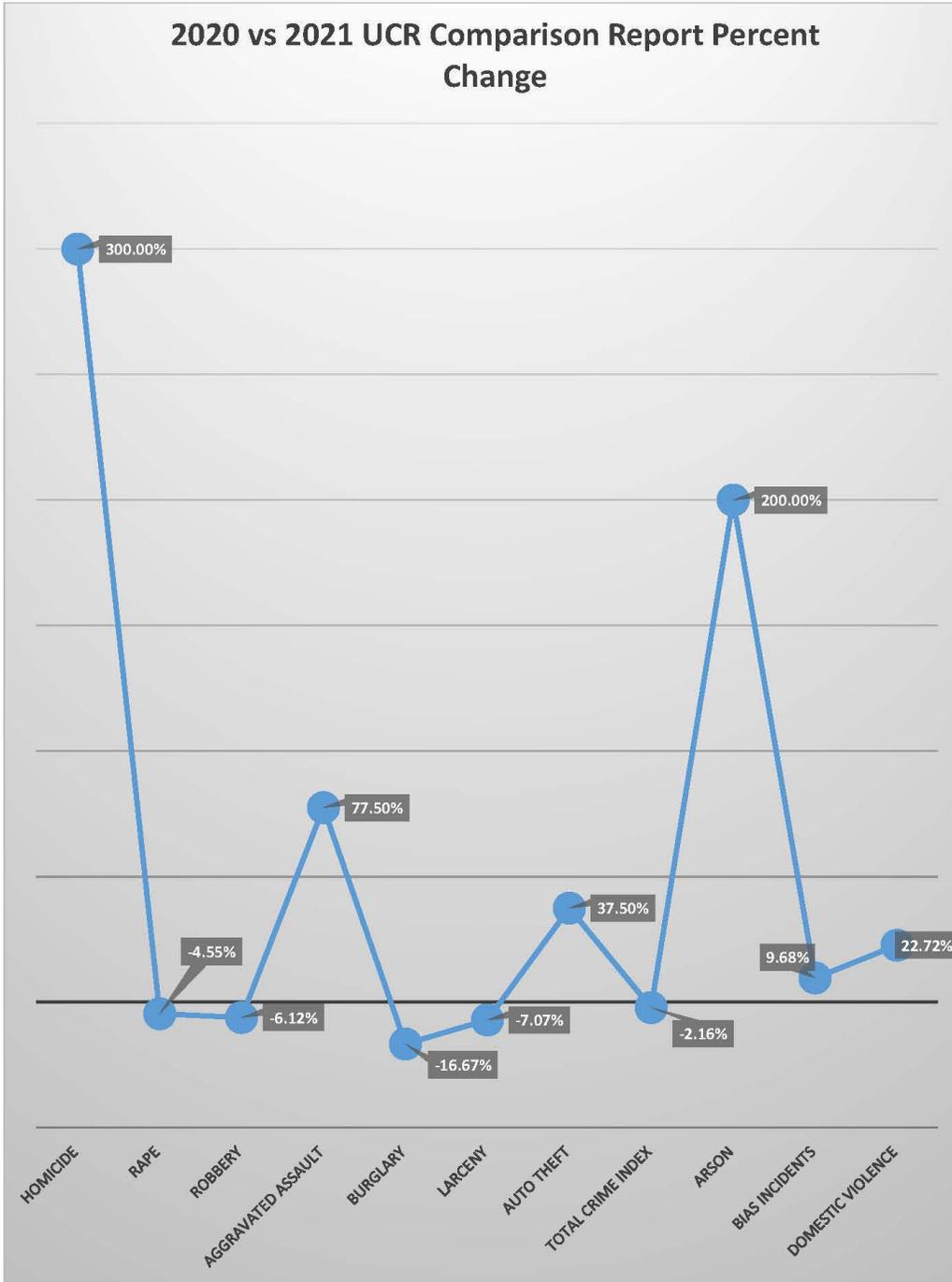


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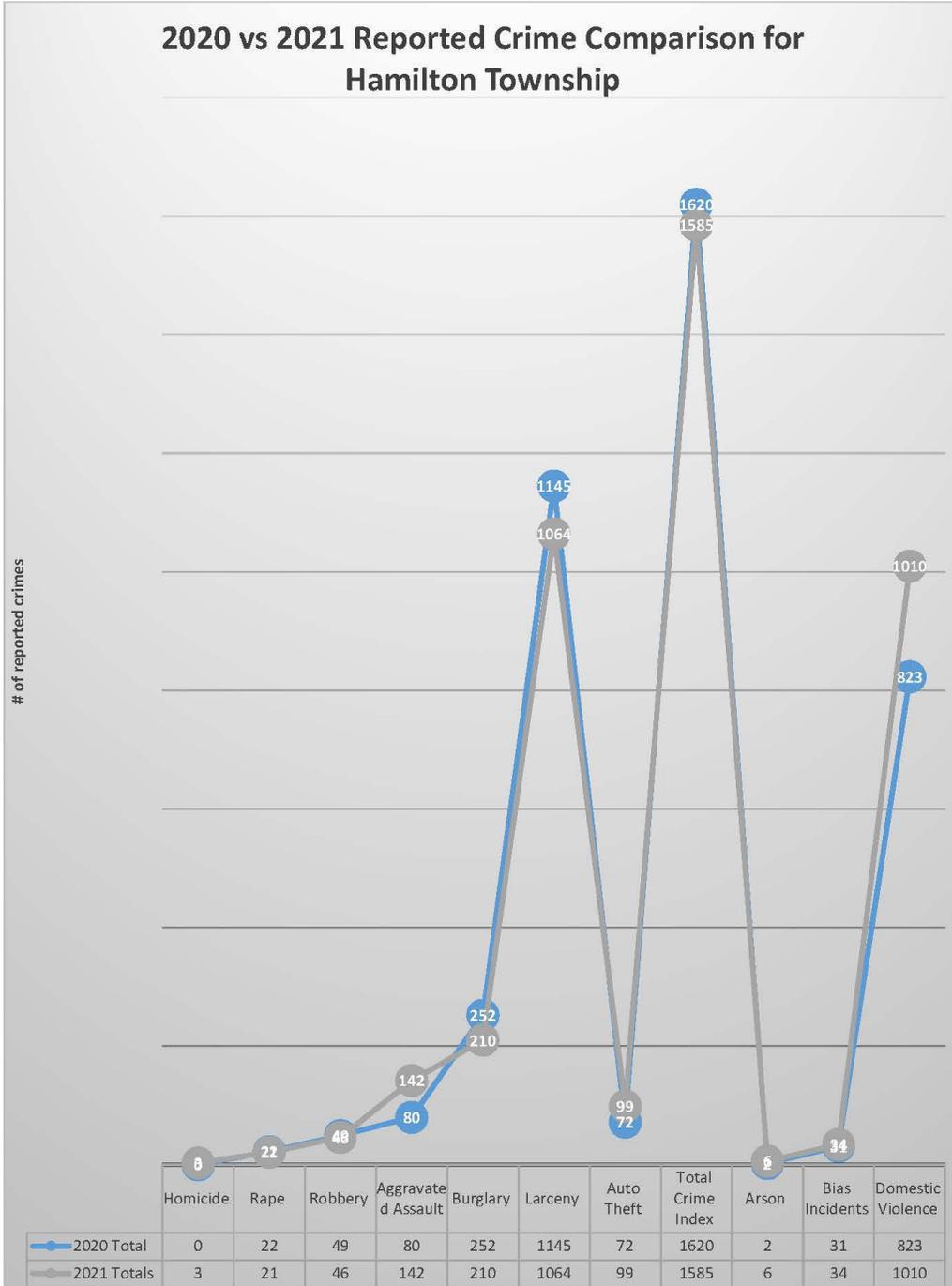
2021 MONTHLY UCR COMPARISON REPORT

CRIME		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	Comparis on YTD	YTD % CHANGE
HOMICIDE	2021	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	300.00%
	2020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RAPE	2021	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	4	4	0	21	-4.55%
	2020	2	1	4	1	0	2	1	0	5	3	2	1	22	
ROBBERY	2021	7	8	2	0	10	0	2	3	2	3	9	0	46	-6.12%
	2020	4	6	3	4	2	6	3	5	2	8	1	5	49	
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	2021	2	7	6	13	21	11	11	13	11	18	13	16	142	77.50%
	2020	3	8	5	3	5	13	9	6	10	13	1	4	80	
BURGLARY	2021	21	12	16	14	11	18	23	15	23	21	20	16	210	-16.67%
	2020	30	21	28	6	13	15	22	34	15	16	34	18	252	
LARCENY	2021	88	53	64	53	71	88	88	95	89	138	138	99	1064	-7.07%
	2020	87	62	71	53	114	103	81	107	109	145	110	103	1145	
AUTO THEFT	2021	4	3	7	10	8	8	9	9	12	11	8	10	99	37.50%
	2020	4	6	3	12	7	4	4	6	5	12	3	6	72	
TOTAL CRIME INDEX	2021	125	84	96	92	123	126	135	137	139	195	192	141	1585	-2.16%
	2020	130	104	114	79	141	143	120	158	146	197	151	137	1620	
OTHER:															
ARSON	2021	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	6	200.00%
	2020	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	
BIAS INCIDENTS	2021	1	1	3	1	3	2	0	8	6	4	2	3	34	9.68%
	2020	0	1	2	1	2	8	1	5	5	5	1	0	31	
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	2021	95	53	80	75	110	95	92	88	78	87	75	82	1010	22.72%
	2020	73	64	64	37	53	71	93	66	70	82	68	82	823	

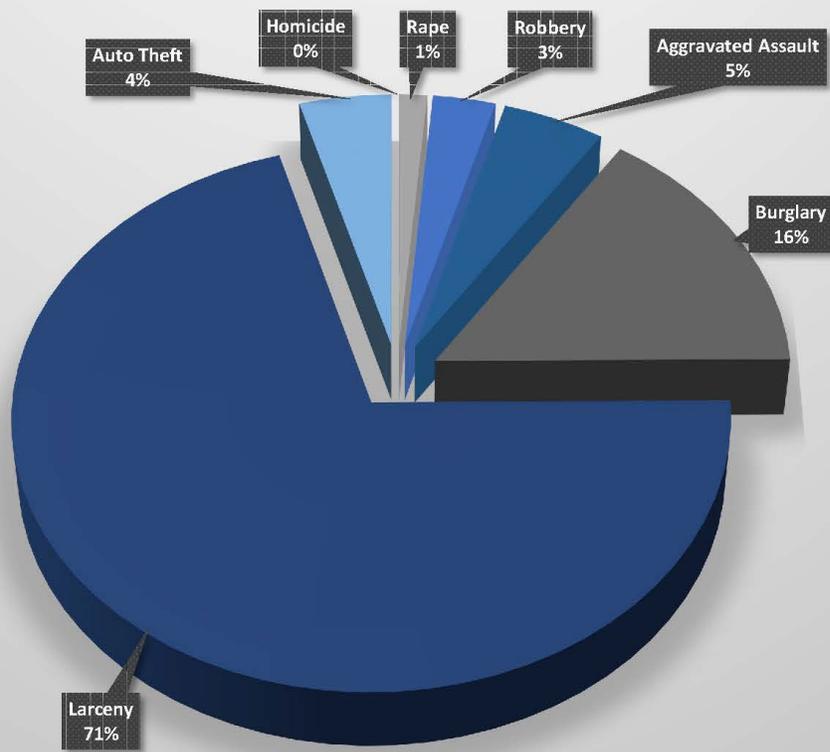




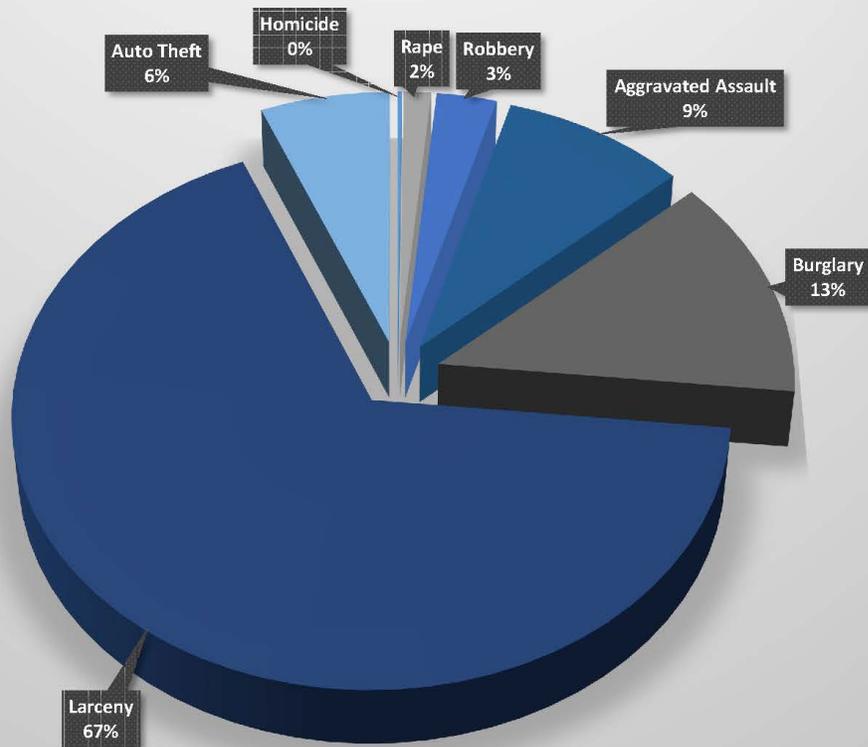
2020 vs 2021 Reported Crime Comparison for Hamilton Township



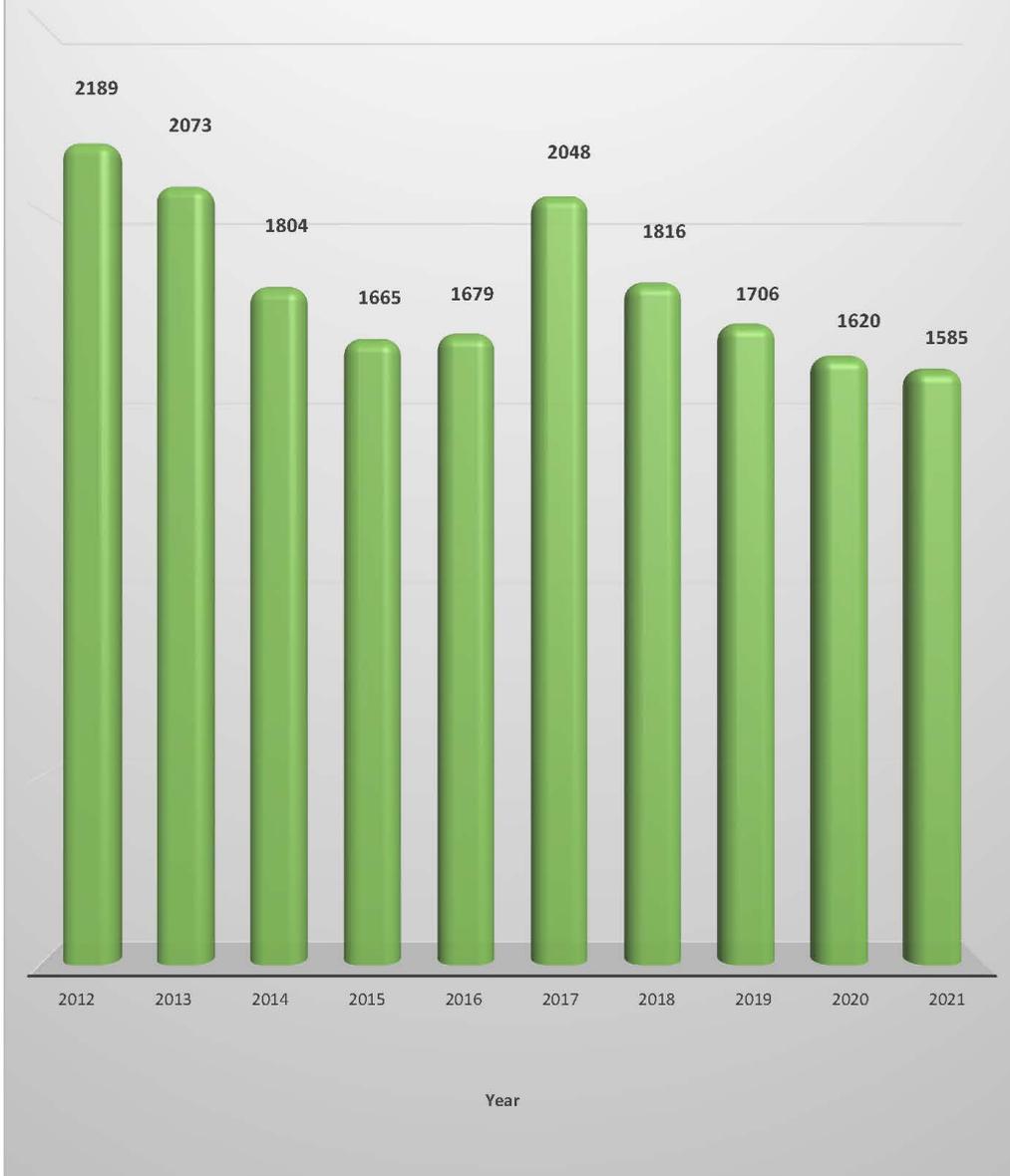
2020 Total Reported Crime Index YTD



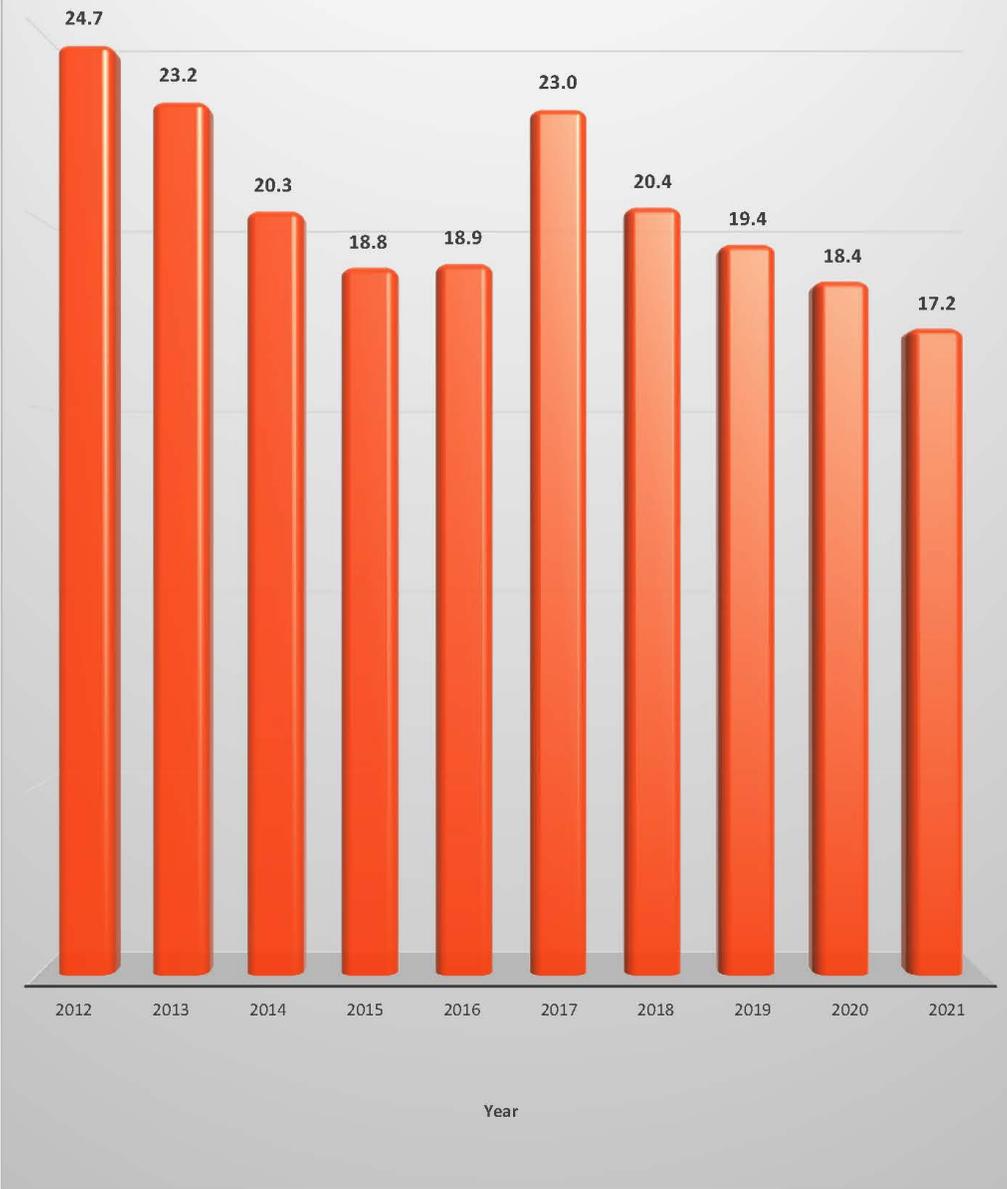
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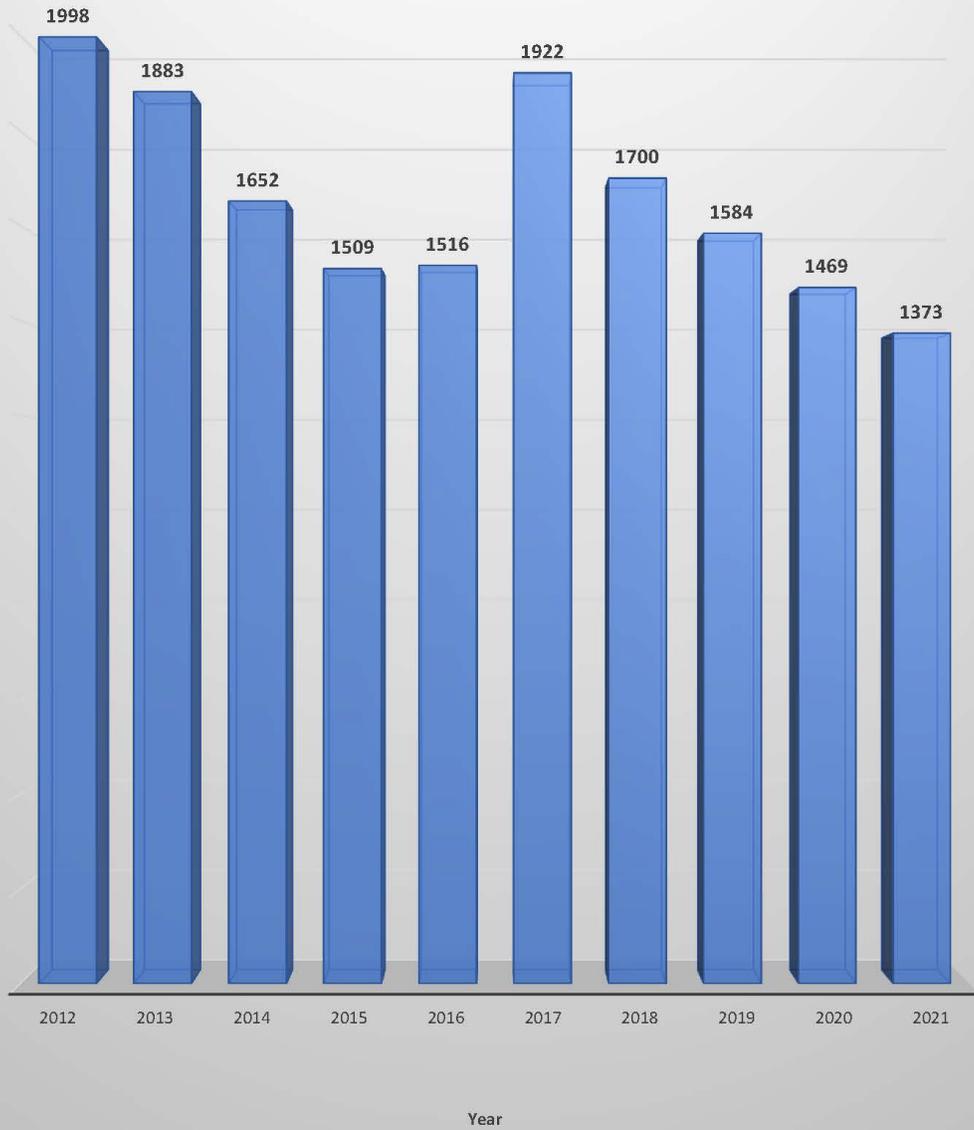
Hamilton Police Division Crime Index 2012 - 2021



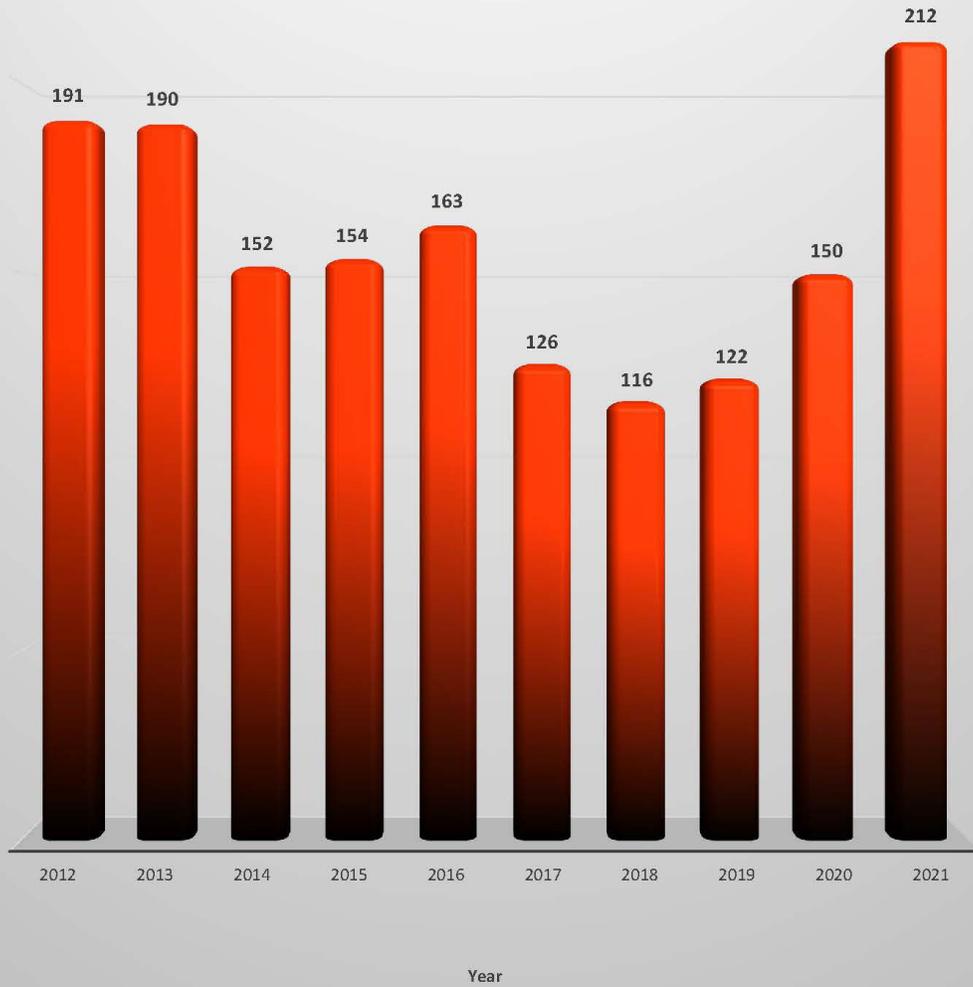
HAMILTON POLICE DIVISION 2012 - 2021 Crime Rate per 1000



Hamilton Police Division 2012-2021 Non-Violent Crime Index

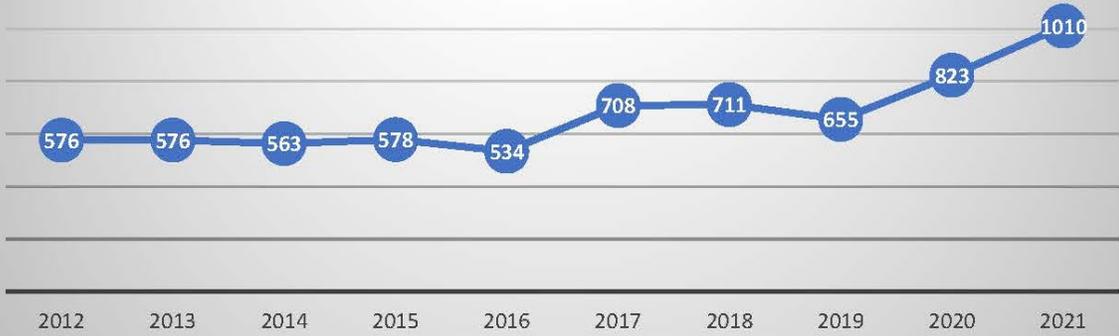


Hamilton Police Division 2012 - 2021 Violent Crime Index

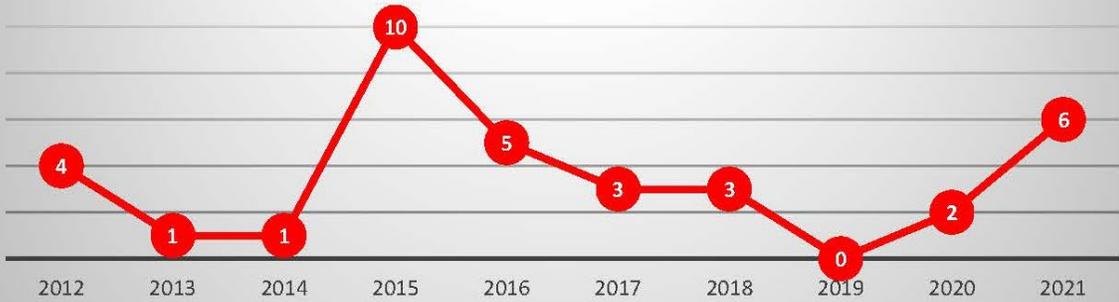


Hamilton Police Division Other Crime 2012 - 2020

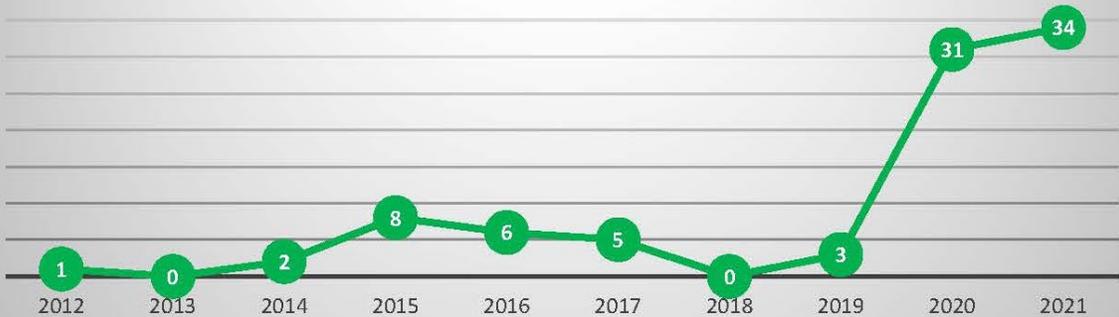
Domestic Violence



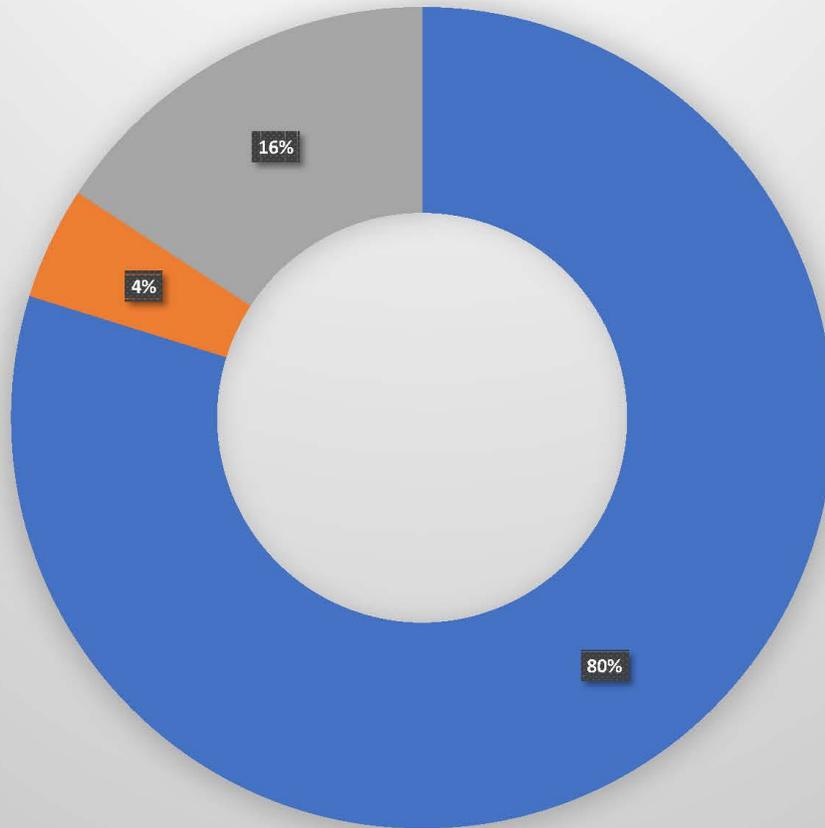
Arson



Bias Crime



Hamilton Police Division 2021 Employee makeup



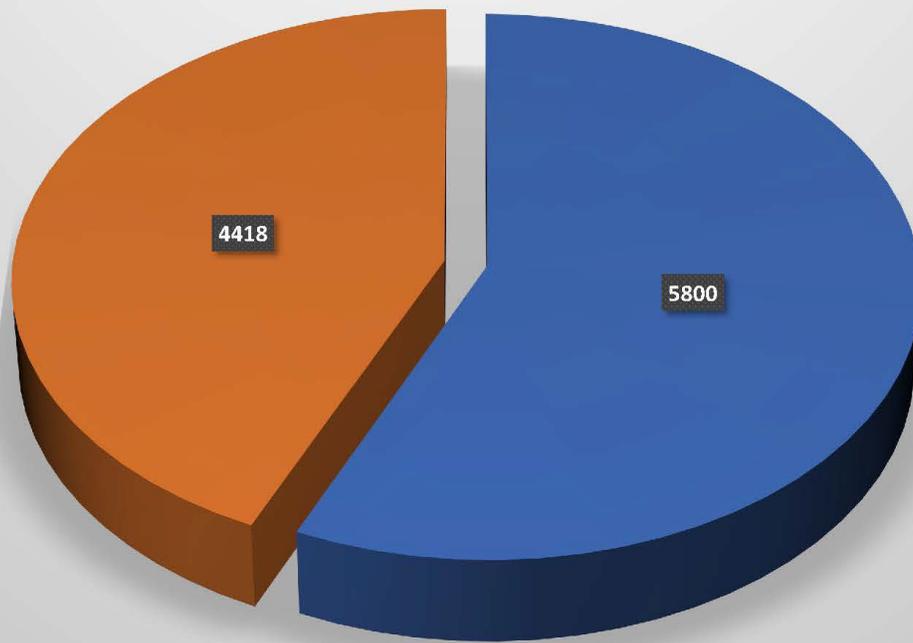
■ Sworn Male ■ Sworn Female ■ Civilian



Hamilton Police Division Stats

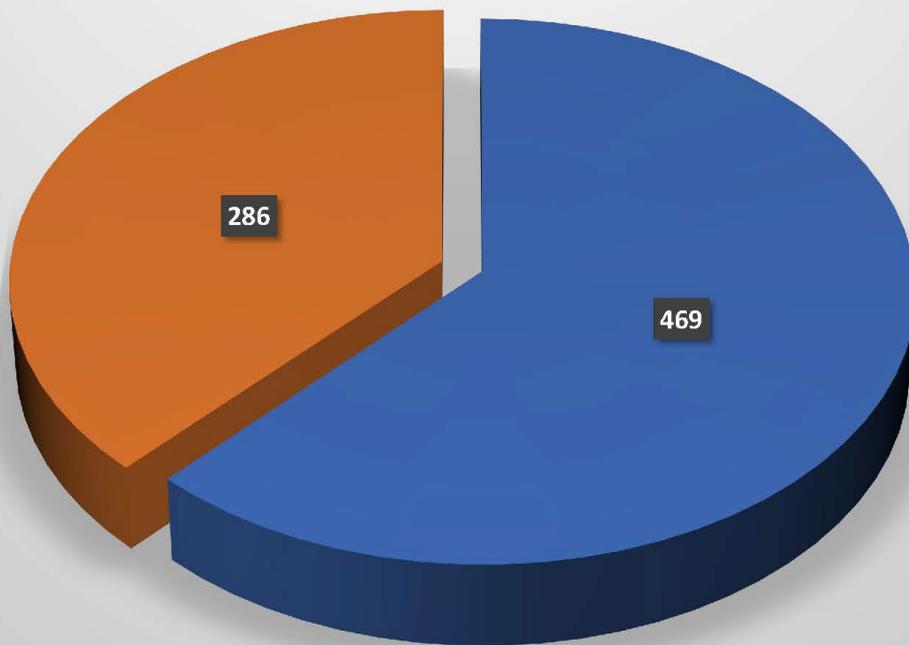
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year to Date
Traffic Summonses (including Speeding)													
2021	427	311	455	652	556	565	441	451	528	483	486	445	5800
2020	594	668	355	143	195	201	236	357	430	419	389	431	4418
Speeding Summonses													
2021	50	25	57	66	53	58	15	24	30	12	56	23	469
2020	52	40	15	0	0	0	5	29	44	34	32	35	286
Motor Vehicle Crashes													
2021	184	229	198	182	264	250	264	215	261	268	283	259	2857
2020	268	233	219	102	153	213	216	228	211	233	226	238	2540
Hamilton Township NARCAN Deployments													
2021	3	1	4	3	5	6	5	1	2	0	4	5	39
2020	6	6	7	0	6	6	2	3	3	2	3	0	44
Project Medicine Drop Monthly Totals (in pounds)													
2021	44	53.2	100.6	90.4	115.2	64.2	107.4	79.8	99	45.6	74.6	89	963
2020	116.2	88.6	80.2	22	0	26.8	0	0	0	25.2	13.6	95.6	468.2
Arrests Adult													
2021	109	72	75	70	110	115	109	116	122	137	141	103	1279
2020	273	325	141	48	68	62	79	145	141	162	90	101	1635
Arrests Juvenile													
2021	1	3	0	0	0	5	0	3	1	2	6	3	24
2020	12	11	3	4	2	5	4	5	5	4	6	0	61

Year to Date Comparison - Traffic Summonses (including speeding)



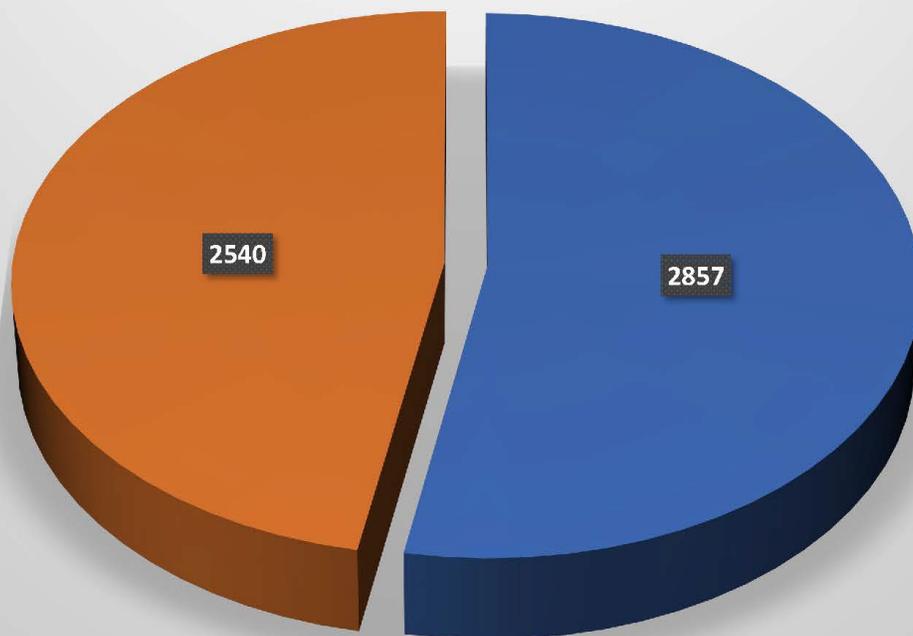
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Year to Date Comparison - Speeding Summons



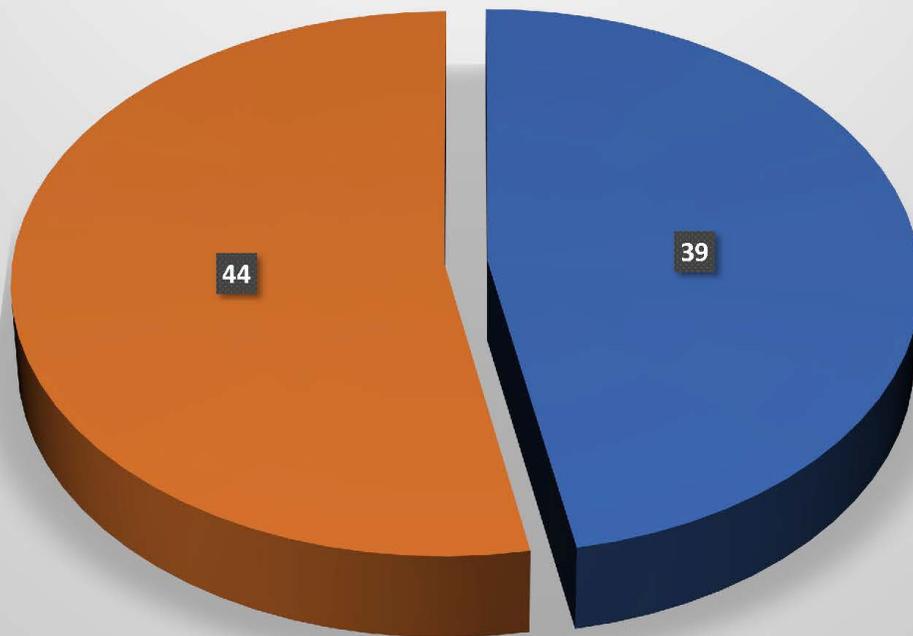
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Year to Date Comparison - Motor Vehicle Crashes

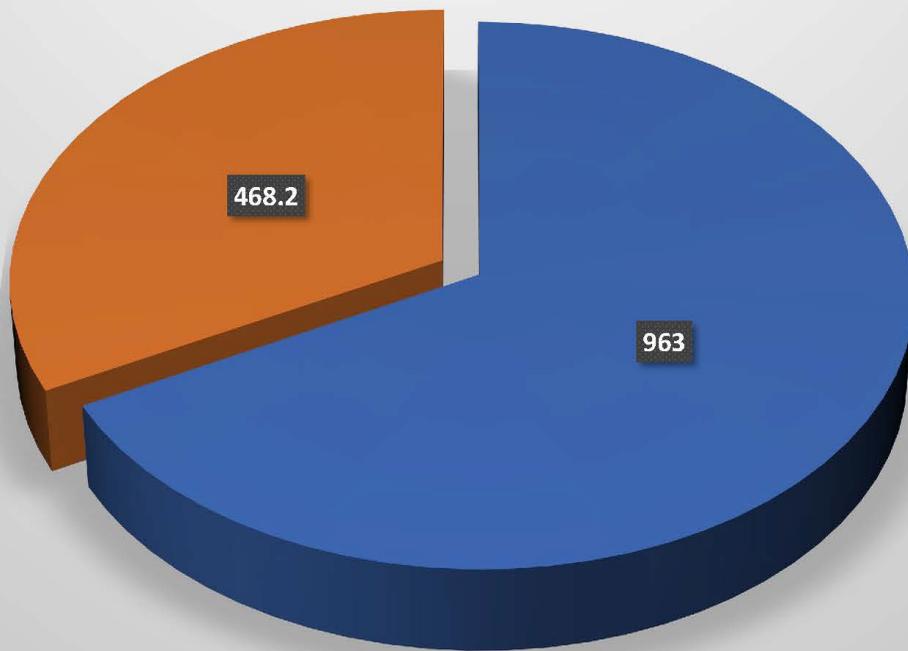


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Year to Date Comparison - NARCAN Deployments

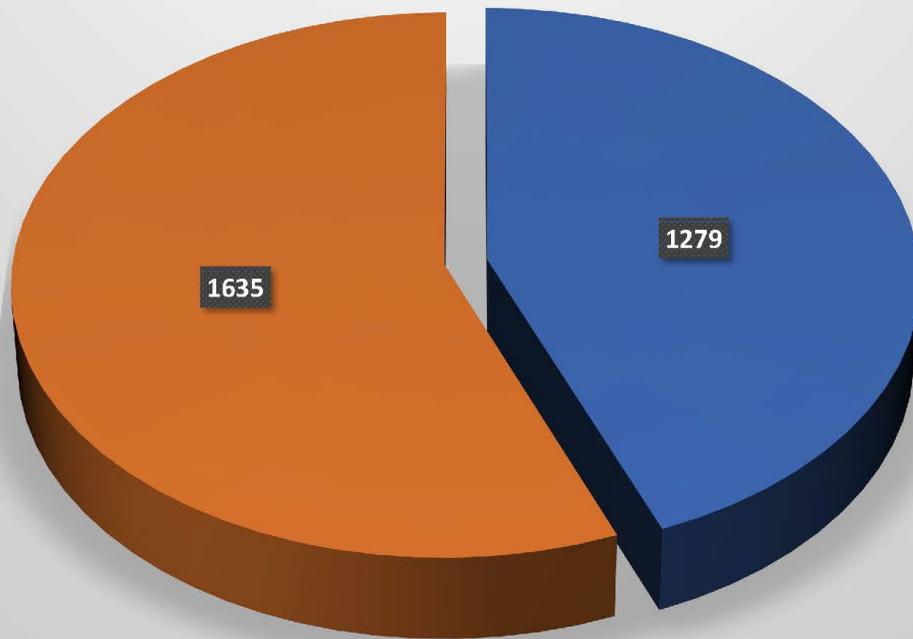


**Year to Date Comparison -
Project Medicine Drop Monthly Totals
(in pounds)**



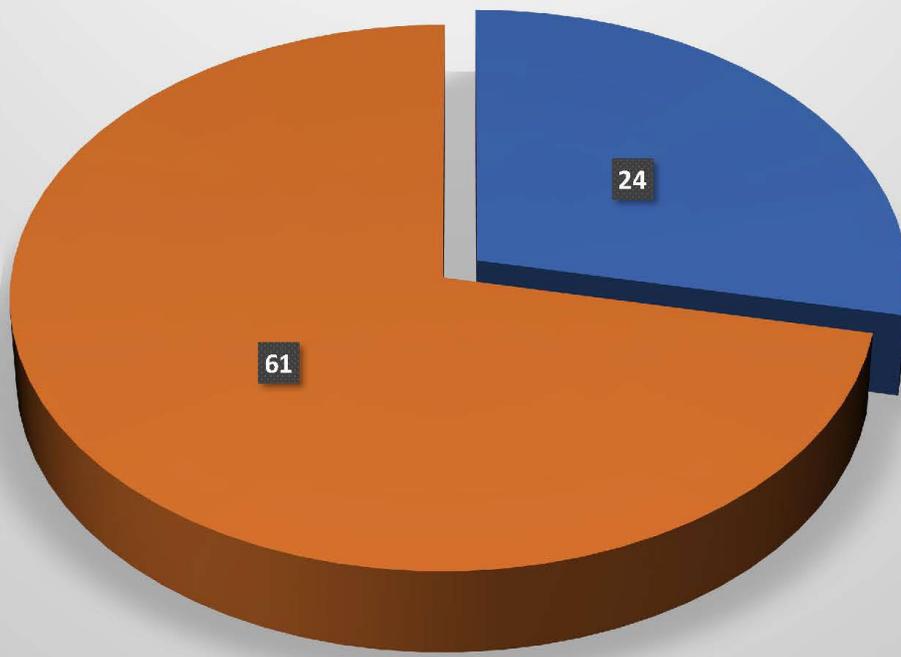
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Year to Date Comparison - Adult Arrests



■ 2021 ■ 2020

Year to Date Comparison - Juvenile Arrests

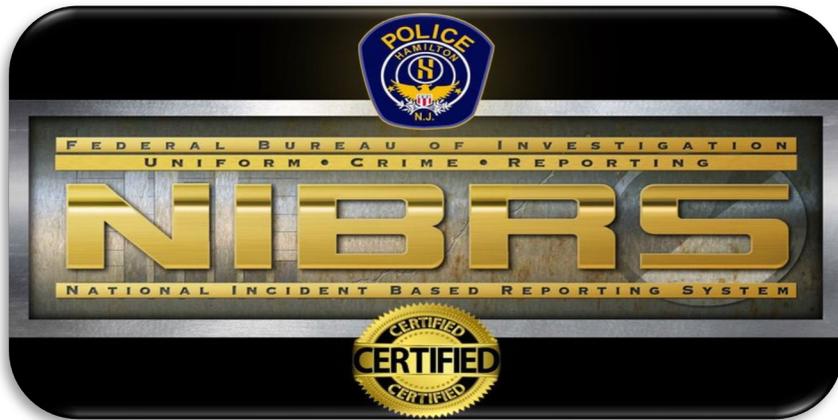


■ 2021 ■ 2020

Other Note Worthy Mentions

NiBRS

The Hamilton Police Division was amongst the first police agencies in Mercer County to have received a NiBRS certification from the FBI. We owe thanks to LawSoft Inc. for providing the software we used to achieve this accomplishment.



Mother's Day



On Mother's Day our Operation Reassurance Seniors had an unexpected personal visit from Detective J. Pellegrino who delivered a rose to all who were mothers on behalf of the Community Policing Unit. Detective J. Pellegrino has operated Operation Reassurance since the beginning of the pandemic; however, this program is normally operated by civilian volunteers. Operation Reassurance ensures that people living alone will have personal contact each day with someone to make sure all is well.

MADD Recognition

Officer Glassman received the MADD Recognition of Excellence Award for DWI Enforcement.



Chief James Stevens and the Hamilton Police Division would like to congratulate P/O Jordan Glassman on being awarded the MADD Recognition of Excellence Award for DWI enforcement. Pictured are P/O Glassman receiving the award from Chief Stevens with Patrol Captain Victor Tobiasz.

20th Anniversary of the attacks of September 11th, 2001

Chief James M. Stevens, along with the Hamilton Police Division, took part in a somber event today during the September 11th Remembrance Ceremony and Memorial Rededication. Members of the Police & Fire Divisions, along with Mayor Jeffery S. Martin, Hamilton Council Members, Distinguished Guests, and Friends & Family gathered to pay respect to the men and women who lost their lives during the attacks that took place in New York City, Washington D.C. and Pennsylvania 20 years ago this year.

Gilbert Lugossy (Former Mercer County Sheriff), Deacon Robert Tharp (St. Raphael-Holy Angels Parish), Colonel Robert Watson (ret. Director of Military Support, NJ Army National Guard), Chief James M. Stevens (Hamilton Police Division), Chief Richard Kraemer (Hamilton Fire Division), Mayor Jeffery S. Martin, and NJ State Parole Board Chairman, Samuel Plumeri Jr., spoke about the tragedies that occurred that day, the courage of the first responders and the resilience of Americans.

Mayor Jeffery S. Martin paid tribute to the five Hamiltonians who perished during the attacks; William Reed Bethke, Daniel Leonard Maher, Susan L. Schuler, Jeannine Damiani-Jones, and Richard Guadagno.

A redesigned 9/11 Memorial Grove was dedicated with a renewed pledge to NEVER FORGET 09.11.2001. Memorial wreaths were placed in the grove and a moment of silence was observed.

A special thank you to the Hamilton Police Division Honor Guard and Hamilton Township Fire Division Pipe & Drum Band for their Presentation and Retirement of the colors.

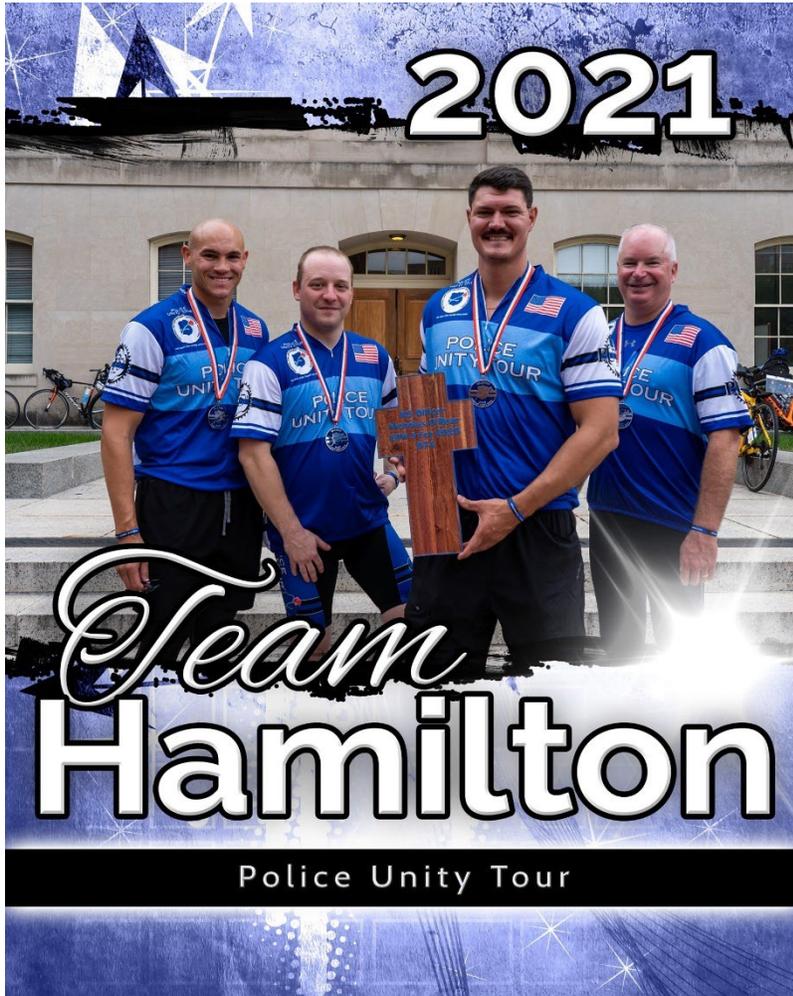
The ceremony was made possible by:

- Office of Mayor Jeffery S. Martin
- Hamilton Township Office of Emergency Management
- Hamilton Township Department of Public Works
- Hamilton Township Division of Recreation
- Hamilton Township Patriotic Committee
- Hamilton Township School District
- EMS Squad 11 - Robert Wood-Johnson University Hospital of Hamilton
- Emma Johnson, Shaughn Aderhold, McKenna Fowler & James Murray - Hamilton Township School District Choir Students
- Fiori's Flowers for generously donating our Memorial Wreath
- Hamilton PBA 66 and the Hamilton Career Firefighters Foundation for their Donation of Memorial Wreaths
- Sean's Landscaping for their Donation of Materials and Time in Constructing the Redesigned Memorial Grove



Police Unity Tour

Members of the Hamilton Police Division participated in the Police Unity Tour. Riding bicycles from New Jersey to the National Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial in Washington D.C. The primary purpose of the Police Unity Tour is to raise awareness of Law Enforcement Officers who have died in the line of duty. The secondary purpose is to raise funds for the National Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial.



This year we had the honor of riding for Officer Nick O'Rear of the Kimberly Police Department in Alabama. Officer Nick O'Rear was shot and killed during a vehicle pursuit on I-65 near Old U.S. Highway 31 at about 10:00 pm.

An officer with the Warrior Police Department had initiated the pursuit when he attempted to conduct a traffic stop. Officer O'Rear responded to assist in the pursuit when the man opened fire, striking him. Officer O'Rear's vehicle then crashed nearby. He was transported to UAB Hospital where he succumbed to his wounds at 1:15 am.

The driver fled into Jefferson County where he was taken into custody and subsequently

charged with capital murder.

Officer O'Rear had served with the Kimberly Police Department for one year and had previously served with the Asheville Police Department. He is survived by his two children with a third child on the way.

First Annual Miracle League Wiffle Ball World Series



On October 23rd members of the Hamilton Police Benevolent Association Local 66 took on members from the Hamilton's Career Fire Fighters Union in a charity wiffleball world series. All proceeds will benefit The Miracle League. The event took place the Sawmill YMCA Day Camp and Recreation Center. Tickets and concessions were held to help raise money for the Miracle League. After the game a silent auction was held at Killarney's Publick House. This was a fun day and for a great cause. All together over \$8000 was raised.

In 2004, The Rotary Club of Robbinsville/Hamilton embarked on a \$250,000.00 capital-raising campaign to cover the cost of building a 100% barrier-free baseball diamond known as the Miracle Field. The field would allow individuals with disabilities to move freely around the bases and throughout the field regardless of any physical and/or cognitive limitations they may have.

A generous donation of land from the Hamilton Area YMCA helped get the project underway, and by September 2005 the first pitch was thrown on our Miracle Field. With that, The Miracle League of Mercer County was born; the 15th Miracle League to come into existence in the United States, and first in the entire northeast.

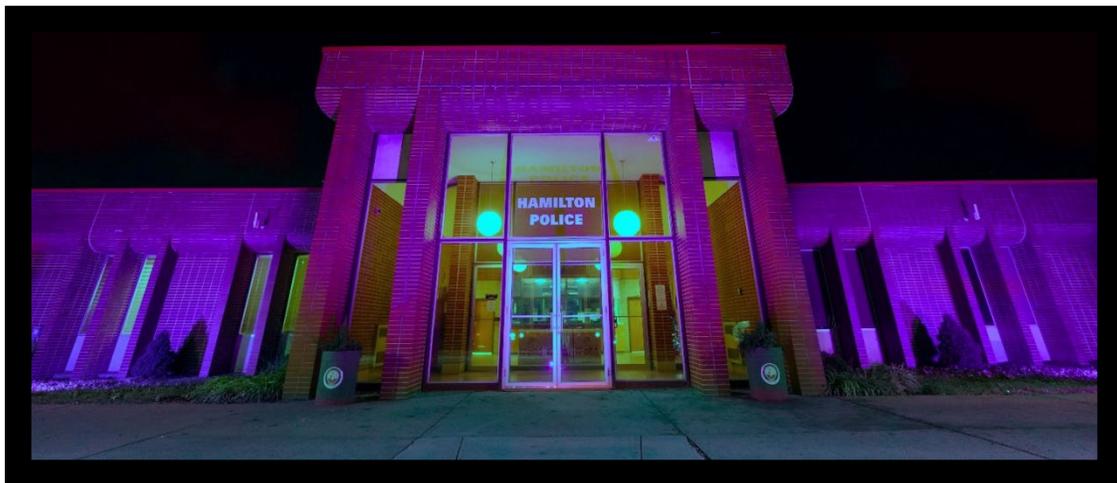
In September of 2020, the Miracle League of Mercer County celebrated its 15th anniversary. As of 2020, the MLMC has over 120 active participants, over 300 active volunteers, and operates year-round; with spring & fall seasons, summer & winter group instruction, and one-on-one clinics.

The Hamilton Police Division reigned victorious over the Hamilton Fire Department.

Communities of Light

Womanspace celebrated their 20th Annual Communities of Light Ceremony at Foley Park. This event “Illuminates the Night to Raise Awareness for Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault”

To continue to raise awareness, the Hamilton Police Division Headquarters will be illuminated in purple lights.



Thanks Giving Turkey Drive

Members of the Hamilton Police and Fire unions donated Thanksgiving Turkeys to 369 families in need, during St. Raphael-Holy Angels Parish food drive. Thank you to everyone that donated to make this possible.



Police Officer of the Year



The Hamilton Police Division, along with esteemed members of Hamilton Township, Family and Friends, got a chance to honor Officer Matthew Mayhew during the 45th Annual Hamilton Township Kiwanis Hank Leverage Police Officer of the Year Award Banquet.

An 11-year veteran of the Hamilton Police Division, Officer Mayhew is a part of the Anti-Crime Unit, Hamilton Honor Guard, SWAT and Hazmat teams. Throughout his service he has earned many acclaims for jobs well done. He is the son of a retired former recipient of the POY award and active member of the community. Officer Mayhew was originally

selected as Officer of the Year for 2020, but was unable to celebrate the achievement due to the pandemic.

The Kiwanis Club of Hamilton Township is thrilled to finally present this honor to Officer Mayhew.

On behalf of the Hamilton Police Division, we would like to thank Brittany Bayo and the Kiwanis Club of Hamilton for hosting this award banquet an honor for Officer Mayhew. The Police Officer of the Year is nominated and elected by his/her peers for this award.

Promotions

Officer Joseph Pellegrino #420 was promoted to the rank of Detective.



Retirements

Deb Delcollo (records)



Lt. Brian Schroeder



Detective Larry MacArthur



New Police Hires



Matthew Gigliotti



Christopher Gilleo



Brandon Walker

James M. Stevens



Chief of Police