

2006 Annual Report

Division of Police • Columbus, Ohio



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Columbus, Ohio

Founded	1812
Government	Mayor & Seven Member Council
City Budget.....	\$555 million (FY 2005)
Area	222 Square Miles
Population	768,804
Population Density	3,463 per Square Mile
Population by Race (as of 2000 census)	
..... White	67.9%
..... Black	24.5%
..... Asian	3.4%
..... Hispanic	2.5%
..... Other	1.7%
Average Household Income.....	\$47,391
Unemployment Rate.....	5.9%
Average Single Family Home	\$177,978
Property Tax Rate per Thousand	
..... Residential	\$55.71
..... All Other	\$67.94
Public School System	
..... Students	59,101
..... Buildings	139
Miles of Roadway (within corporate limits).....	2,037
Average Annual Temperature.....	54°F
Average Annual Rainfall.....	37"
Average Annual Snowfall	28"

Columbus Division of Police

Year Organized	1868
Sworn Personnel	1822
Civilian Personnel	342
Budget	\$216 million (FY 2005)
Rank Structure.....	Chief
.....	Deputy Chief
.....	Commander
.....	Lieutenant
.....	Sergeant
.....	Police Officer
Police Officer to Population Ratio	1 per 422 Residents
Median Age (sworn)	40.5
Mean Years of Service	13.9
Facilities (includes 12 substations)	23
Marked Patrol Vehicles.....	429
Unmarked Vehicles.....	618
Motorcycles	41
Bicycles.....	70
Boats.....	5
Horses.....	8
Canines.....	9
Helicopters	6





Michael B. Coleman
Mayor of Columbus



Mitchell J. Brown
Director of Public Safety



Director
Mitchell J. Brown

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Mayor
Michael B. Coleman

A Message from the Safety Director

As Public Safety Director and on behalf of Mayor Michael B. Coleman, I applaud the men and women of the Columbus Division of Police for their commitment to public service.

You play an important role in making Columbus the best place to live, work, and raise a family. In 2006, we worked together to enhance safety services, homeland security and neighborhood safety.

Columbus Police personnel continue to lead the City's efforts to protect Columbus' own "hometown security." This outstanding work included a full-scale exercise of the City's interoperable communications during the summer of 2006. The Department of Homeland Security rated Columbus with the highest possible score in each of the three categories and gave us an "A" for the way in which we handled communications during the exercise.

In addition to focusing on emergency preparedness, Columbus Police achieved significant success in the *Focus on Safety* photo red light program. Cameras were installed at seven intersections based upon the highest incidents of crashes due to red light running. Red light running was reduced by 62 percent and right-angle crashes were decreased by 47 percent. This public safety initiative has saved lives, reduced injuries and made the streets of Columbus safer for our citizens.

Neighborhood Safety remains the Administration's top priority. One of the most successful police enforcement strategies continues to be the Summer Safety Initiative. This pro-active, aggressive strategy puts more officers on the streets, prevents violence, attacks crime hot spots, and increases our residents' sense of security. The results from the 2006 effort included 700 arrests and 207 guns seized from the streets.

I am proud of every member of the Columbus Division of Police. Keep up the good work!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mitchell J. Brown".

Mitchell J. Brown
Director

The Columbus, Ohio Division of Police

Mission

We, the men and women of the Columbus Division of Police, are dedicated to improving the quality of life in our City by enhancing public safety through cooperative interaction with our community and with other public and private agencies.

We are committed to reducing fear by maintaining order and peace.

We are responsible for protecting life and property, enforcing laws, and taking all appropriate measures to combat crime.

We are organized, staffed, and trained to maximize effective and efficient public service and to maintain a positive work environment.

We work to fulfill the mission of the Columbus Division of Police in a manner that inspires the public's trust and confidence and protects the Constitutional rights of each citizen.

Values

We are individually accountable for reflecting these values in our professional and personal lives:

- ♦ Respect for human life above all else.*
- ♦ Reverence for the fundamental freedoms safeguarded by the Constitution of the United States.*
- ♦ Honesty and integrity through ethical behavior.*
- ♦ Willingness to change in response to valid criticism.*
- ♦ Professional excellence demonstrated by leadership, cooperation, and dedication to serving the public as we would expect to be served.*
- ♦ Appreciation for the diversity among the members of our community and within the Columbus Division of Police.*

"We, the men and women of the Columbus Division of Police, are dedicated to improving the quality of life in our city by enhancing public safety through cooperative interaction with our community and with other public and private agencies." This is the first line in the Columbus Division of Police mission statement. This statement is one of the most important duties we as police officers have. We dedicate our lives to improving the quality of life of others. We accomplish this task through a cooperative agreement with multiple agencies and the assistance of the community.



James G. Jackson
Chief of Police

I have seen many improvements in 2006. With the assistance of outside agencies, the Division of Police has improved its service and commitment to the community. In January 2005, Officer Bryan Hurst was shot and killed while working special duty at a local bank. At the time, officers working special duty did not have access to a portable radio to use in case of an emergency situation. Through a collaborative effort between Mayor Michael Coleman, City Council and the Division, every sworn officer of the Division was issued a portable radio. These radios are used during the officers' normal duty hours and while they are working special duty during their off-duty hours. The radios allow officers to be in constant communication with the Radio Room to hear and relay important information for the safety of the community.

In 2006, the Division's *Focus on Safety* Photo Red Light Initiative became operational with seven active locations. This was a collaborative effort among the Division of Police, City Council, Public Safety, City

Attorney's Office, Transportation, and the Health Department. The use of photo-enforcement technology has greatly reduced the number of crashes at key intersections providing a safer environment for the motorists using these intersections.

The Division was also part of another successful collaborative effort, the Tactical Interoperability Communications Plan. This was a collaborative effort of numerous area law enforcement agencies, fire departments, hospitals, health agencies, the Emergency Management Agency, public works departments, and the Franklin County Department of Homeland Security. The Columbus Urban Area not only passed, but excelled

in the Tactical Interoperability Communications Plan. The Columbus Urban Area was one of four locations in the country to receive the highest possible score in all three categories of the Interoperability Communications Plan. The plan demonstrates the ability of all agencies in the Columbus Urban Area to effectively communicate during a major disaster providing a greater response to the needs of the community.

The Division of Police will continue to reach out to our partners and the public so we can continue providing outstanding service to our community as the best law enforcement agency in the country.

James G. Jackson

Organizational Structure

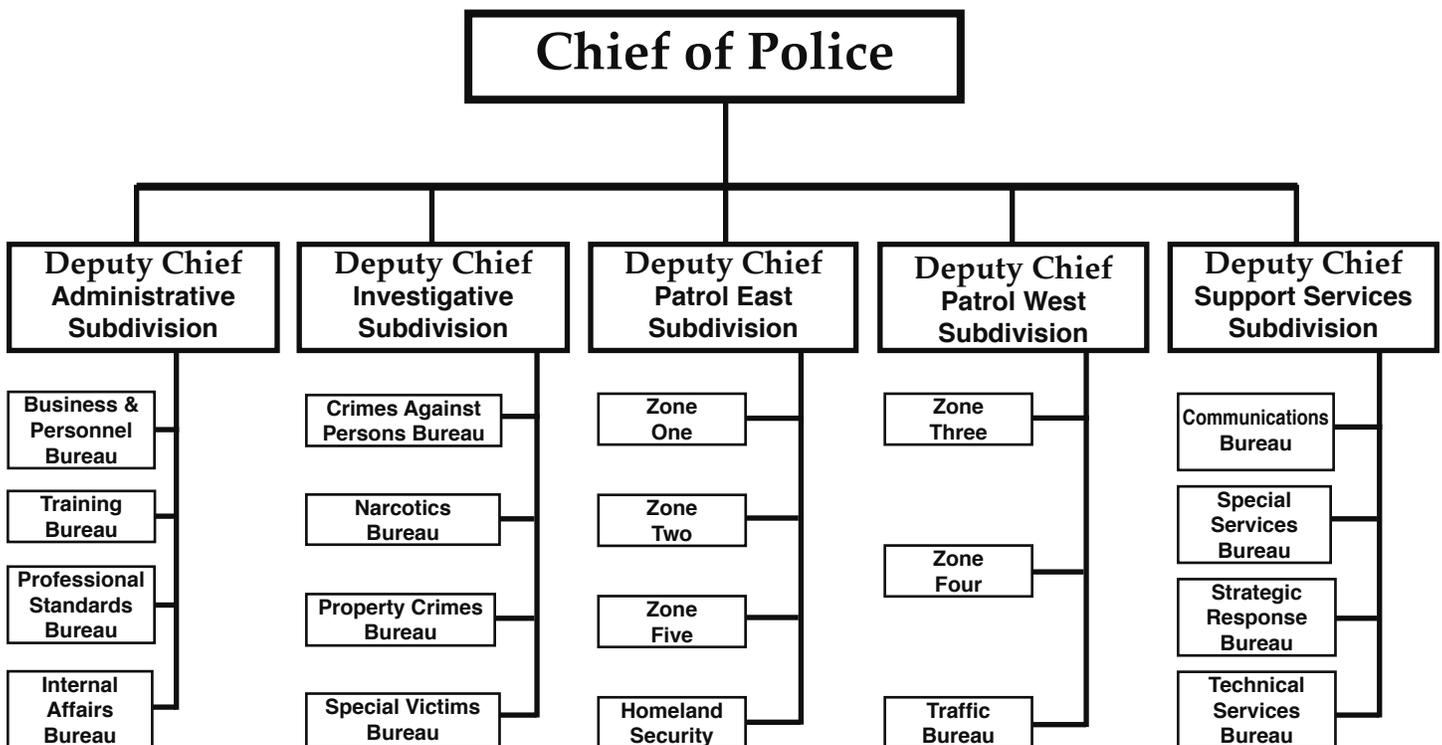
The Columbus Division of Police is organized into five subdivisions. The subdivisions include Administrative, Investigative, Patrol East and West, and Support Services, each commanded by a Deputy Chief. The nature of each task to be performed determines which subdivision has responsibility and authority.

The individual subdivisions are further divided into bureaus or zones, each of which fulfills a more specific mission. Each zone or bureau is supervised by a police commander.

The zones or bureaus are subdivided into sections and are commanded by a police lieutenant or civilian employee in an equivalent position.

The sections are broken down into precincts, units, crews, or teams. Each is supervised by a police sergeant or a civilian.

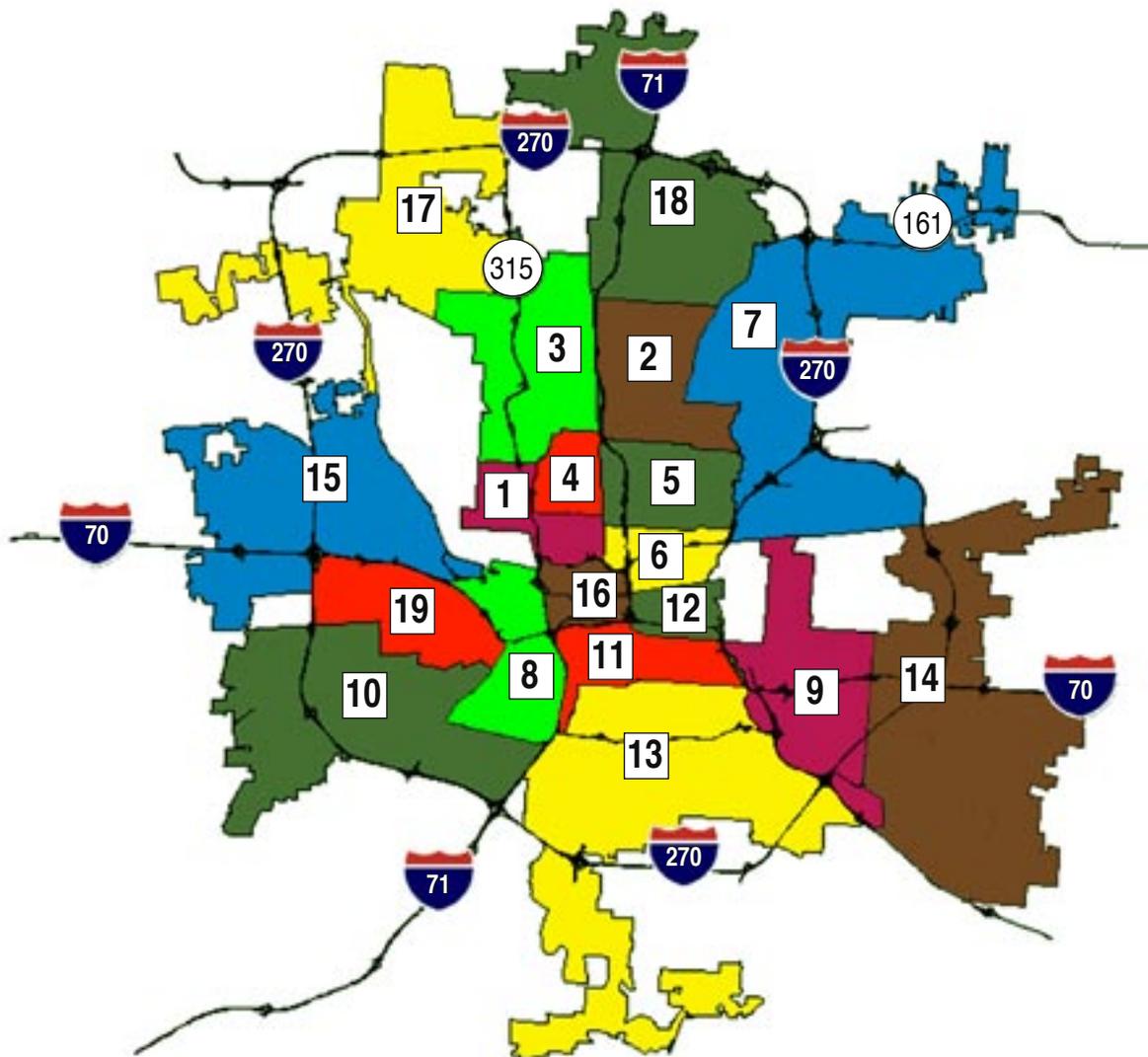
The Division operates in a semi-military manner. Authority descends from superior to subordinate and responsibility ascends from subordinate to superior.



Columbus Patrol Precincts

The City of Columbus covers over 222 square miles and extends into three adjacent counties: Franklin, Delaware, and Fairfield. Columbus surrounds the cities of Bexley, Upper Arlington, Whitehall, and Worthington.

In order to efficiently and effectively safeguard this area, the City is divided into 19 precincts. The precincts are further divided into cruiser districts, the specific boundaries of which can be found by visiting the Columbus Police website at www.columbuspolice.org.





**DEPUTY CHIEF
WALTER L. DISTELZWEIG**

Administrative Subdivision

The Administrative Subdivision Deputy Chief commands a staff of 173 sworn personnel and 82 civilian employees assigned to the Business & Personnel, Internal Affairs, Training, and Professional Standards Bureaus. The Administrative Deputy Chief also serves as the Division's representative in labor-management concerns and as a liaison with City Hall.



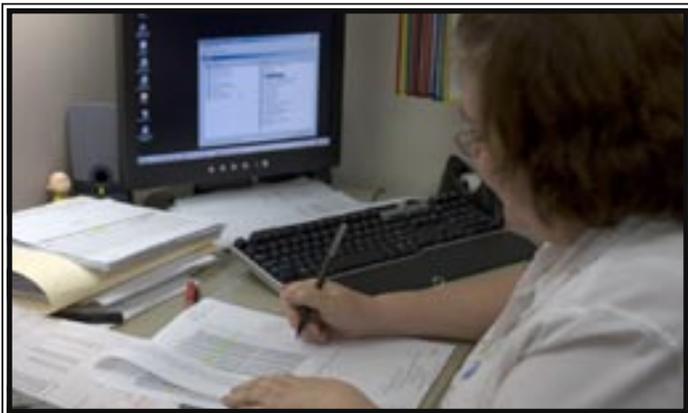
COMMANDER TERRY L. TILTON

BUSINESS AND PERSONNEL BUREAU

The Business and Personnel (B&P) Bureau administered the Division's \$229.6 million budget, of which approximately \$208.9 million was expended on personnel costs. The Division of Police was also awarded \$1,015,922 in outside funding from grants and agreements. The Business & Personnel Bureau consists of the Business Administration Section, the Personnel Administration Section, and the Property Management Section.

Business Administration Section

- **Fiscal Unit** - Prepared 96 pieces of legislation for the purchase of goods and services by the Division. The unit also processed invoices for over \$21.9 million for services, supplies, capital improvements and equipment.



A Business Office employee prepares legislation to process purchases for the Division.



Payroll/Benefit Clerks juggle paperwork as they prepare payroll.

- **Claims Unit** - Handled 75 new claims and completed 25 previous year claims during 2006. The Claims Unit authorized 38 claim payments in the amount of \$32,021 and subsequently saved the Division \$34,261 in the denial of 31 claim payments. The unit processed 992 prisoners' medical invoices, paid 300 prisoners' medical invoices in the amount of \$454,410, and denied 308 prisoners' medical invoice payments constituting an additional savings for the Division in the amount of \$215,403. In addition, six restitution cases were processed, and \$945 in restitution payments were collected.
- **Payroll Unit** - Processed 26 regular payrolls, as well as special payments for holiday pay, uniform allowance, civilian sick leave reciprocity and sworn and civilian longevity pay for over 2,200 employees of the Division. The unit processed nearly 58,000 paychecks.
- **Special Duty Unit** - Assigned 4,032 Special Duty assignments for the year, where the officers worked a total of 24,344 hours. The unit also monitored 1,490 annual Special Duty Requests and 214 sworn and civilian Secondary Employment files. The Special Duty Unit's accounting section processed and collected \$431,887 in equipment rental fees for special duty assignments and reimbursements for damage to police equipment.

Personnel Administration Section

- **Personnel Unit** - Processed 52 retirements, 45 resignations, three terminations, three deaths, 9,375 transfer requests for 542 vacancies, and 1,655 transfers. The unit also processed the paperwork involved in 21 promotions, three sworn reinstatements, and the hiring of 81 police officers and 50 civilians.
- **Employee Benefits Unit** - Handled 643 new injury claims and worked on 631 previous claims. The unit processed 4,214 sworn sick leave requests, 1,925 civilian sick leave requests, and 156 veterans' benefit forms. Unit personnel also completed 23 victims of crime reports and sent 367 FMLA forms to employees.



Cash seized during a narcotics raid is placed as evidence in the Property Control Unit.

- **Background Investigation/Polygraph Unit** - Screened 470 police applicants and investigated 193 candidates for the job of police officer. Of the applicants processed, 81 were appointed to the two 2006 academy classes.
- **Minority Recruiting Unit** - Contacted 4,004 potential applicants for the position of police officer, with a representation of 34% minorities and 18% women. Recruiters attended 30 career fairs and community events, and made presentations at 11 Columbus-area high schools and 15 area colleges.

Property Management Section

- **Impound Unit** - Received 28,064 impounded vehicles, of which police wreckers towed 4,542 and contracted private wreckers towed 23,522 vehicles. Police wreckers were dispatched on 9,888 calls for service and performed 5,417 service calls for the Division's fleet. The unit conducted 10 public auctions that resulted in the sale of 2,032 vehicles with gross proceeds of \$1,260,672.
- **Property Control Unit** - Received 73,754 pieces of evidence and other forms of property from the Division's sworn personnel. The unit conducted four public auctions, which grossed \$98,961 from the sale of 4,808 items. The unit disposed of 66,672 miscellaneous items, of which 2,747 were firearms.
- **Seizure-Forfeiture Unit** - Investigates and processes all criminal seizure and forfeiture actions for the Division. The unit processed 1,623 felony vehicles, received \$578,620 cash in federal seizure actions and processed 223 state seizure cases, which resulted in 152 cases forwarded to the Common Pleas Court. These cases enable the Division to receive \$388,831 in seized cash. The unit assisted Code Enforcement personnel in 188 cases, participated in 132 drug raids, and vacated 113 drug houses.



COMMANDER RONALD C. GRAY

INTERNAL AFFAIRS BUREAU

The Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) is staffed 24-hours a day, seven days a week. The bureau serves as the single point of contact for citizens and others outside the Division who have questions, concerns, or complaints about the conduct of Division personnel. The bureau's objective is to assure the public that Division personnel are acting appropriately, and for those who don't, to hold them accountable. The bureau staff consists of one commander, four lieutenants, 30 sergeants, two secretaries, and one office assistant.

The Internal Affairs Bureau received 3,986 calls on the complaint line; and received and investigated 638 citizen complaints and several internal investigations. The leading categories of complaints were allegations of rudeness, failing to take the proper action and unnecessary or excessive force.



The Internal Affairs offices are now housed in a new building separate from Central Police Headquarters.



COMMANDER CURTIS K. MARCUM

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BUREAU

The Professional Standards Bureau ensures the overall effectiveness and efficiency of operations and processes throughout the Division. The bureau is comprised of three sections: Staff Inspections Section, Staff Inspections Administrative Section and the Discipline/Grievance Section. The bureau is comprised of one commander, five lieutenants, two sergeants, eight officers, three full-time civilians, and four part-time civilian employees.

Staff Inspections Section

Three lieutenants conduct random spot inspections of all units within the Division, as well as in-depth inspections of personnel and processes within the Division. The lieutenants conducted 45 spot inspections and completed four staff inspections.

One of the lieutenants also serves as the Accreditation Manager for the Division and is responsible for maintaining CALEA (Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies) Accreditation for the Division.

- **Accreditation Unit** - Prepared to meet the 459 standards in the 5th edition of the CALEA manual which takes effect July 1, 2007. Unit personnel conducted and assisted with 3 mock-assessments to assist other police departments.

Staff Inspections Administrative Section

- **Public Records Unit** - Processed 2,212 public records requests.
- **Research & Development Unit** - Completed 1,066 project requests, broken down as follows: 339 internal information/projects, 275 external information/projects, 194 Division Directives/Policies, 82 other Division manuals/projects, 69 external surveys, 66 forms development/revisions, and 41 annexation requests/review.
- **Legislative Liaison** - Monitored 69 pieces of legislation on the state and local level. The liaison actively participated in or provided testimony regarding 18 pieces of legislation and introduced two pieces of legislation that were passed into law, HB422 School Safety Plans and HB279 Defacing Firearms.

Discipline/Grievance Section

The two lieutenants assigned to this section handled 18 serious disciplinary cases and represented management in 38 union grievances involving collective bargaining issues.



The Research & Development Unit completed more than 1,000 project requests.



COMMANDER KIMBERLEY K. JACOBS

TRAINING BUREAU

The Training Bureau is responsible for the basic training of police recruits, advanced training of incumbent personnel, the Ordnance Unit, and oversees the Columbus Police Reserves and the Police Explorers.

Recruit Training Section

- **Recruit Training Unit** - Graduated the 109th recruit class on June 16, 2006 adding 62 new officers to the Division's roster. The 110th recruit class of 30 began training on July 17th and the 111th recruit class of 50 began training on December 18th. Both classes will graduate in 2007.
- **Ordnance Unit** - Serves as the Division's resource for all firearm skills and training. Ordnance officers provide comprehensive training to the recruit classes, offer numerous sessions of basic and advanced skills development for veteran officers and conduct the annual proficiency qualifications for all officers. The unit started the conversion to the new Division-authorized duty weapon, the Smith & Wesson Military & Police .40 caliber handgun.
- **Defensive Tactics Unit (DTU)** - Provides and coordinates defensive tactics, secondary weapons training, and tactical training for sworn Division personnel. The training sessions provided by DTU include: TASERS®, batons, basic skill proficiencies, and immediate response.
- **Columbus Police Reserves** - An all-volunteer organization whose mission is to augment and aid the Division of Police by providing an additional source of law enforcement officers. All reserve officers are

fully-certified law enforcement officers with full arrest authority but have full-time jobs other than law enforcement. The Police Reserves actively participate in working patrol cruisers with the regular officers, as well as providing police services to a variety of major events.

Advanced Training Section

- **Advanced Training Operations Unit** - Presented and/or coordinated training in Crisis Intervention, Basic Criminal Investigation, NetRMS, Pursuit Policy, Directive 3.25, Host on Demand, Personal Protective Equipment, Automated Electronic Defibrillator, Property Room dispositions, and Annual Defensive Tactics and Taser updates. The Basic Supervisory Development Course was provided for personnel on the sergeant's promotional list. The unit offered nine different courses through the Regional Training Program that allowed Division personnel to attend high-quality training in Columbus, saving the City travel and training expenses.
- **Police Explorer Program** - Allows interested youth to get involved with the Division in hopes of becoming full-time police officers once they reach the minimum age required to apply for the academy. They also participate in various voluntary activities to assist the Division. The Division's three Explorer Posts are led by advisors who are full-time officers and volunteer their time to provide the required leadership.
- **Citizen's Police Academy (CPA)** - Graduated 28 citizens who now have a better understanding of the values, philosophy, and operations of the Division. This program increases positive interaction with the citizens whom the officers protect and serve. The CPA Alumni volunteered 370 hours in support of the Division.
- **Youth Citizen's Police Academy (YCPA)** - Gives teenagers a positive learning environment and an opportunity to express their concerns about misconceptions, stereotypes, and other issues associated with police-youth contacts. The curriculum was forwarded to the Columbus Public School system for internship hours consideration.



Recruits practicing flag detail at CPD Training Academy.



**DEPUTY CHIEF
ANTONE P. LANATA**

Investigative Subdivision

The Investigative Subdivision Deputy Chief commands a staff of 374 sworn and 45 civilian employees who primarily conduct in-depth investigations of crimes that, due to their nature or complexity, cannot be investigated by uniformed officers. Such investigations include: felony crimes against persons and property; investigations involving juvenile offenders or victims; and covert investigations involving narcotics, vice, and intelligence concerns.



COMMANDER MARY E. MATHIAS

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS BUREAU

The Crimes Against Persons Bureau conducts specialized investigations of violent crimes, police-involved shootings, evidence collection and processing, forensics, and drug and firearms examinations. It provides support functions for all three investigative bureaus housed in Central Police Headquarters. The bureau consists of three sections: Assault/Homicide Section, Robbery/Support Section, and the Crime Laboratory



The Crime Lab received more than 13,000 requests for service.

Assault/Homicide Section

This section investigates homicides and other death investigations, felony assaults including assaults on police officers, discharge of firearms into occupied structures and other miscellaneous offenses.

- **Homicide Unit** - Investigated 103 homicides and solved 57 (55%) by the end of the year.
- **Assault Unit** - Conducted 1,806 investigations, 54% of which involved the use of a firearm.
- **Unsolved Case Review Team** - Reviewed 70 homicide investigations and solved three cold cases.

Robbery/Support Section

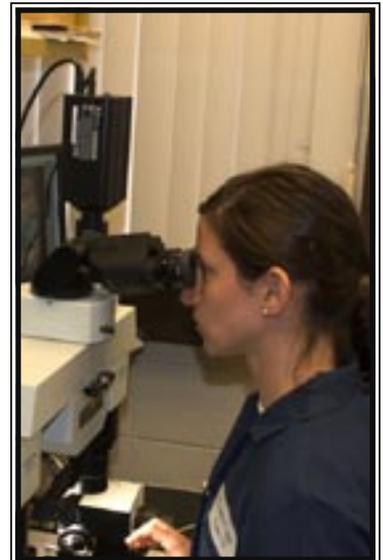
This section investigates robberies and related offenses, processes crime scenes, conducts evidentiary examinations, and provides administrative support.

- **Robbery Unit** - Conducted 3,986 investigations, which set a new record for total investigations. Unit personnel solved 639 (16.3%) of these cases.
- **Crime Scene Search Unit** - Responded to 1,039 crime scenes, and processed 14,790 items at the Crime Lab and 3,394 items in the Latent Lab.
- **Fugitive Unit** - Made 53 prisoner transports, filed 133 Fugitive from Justice warrants, and processed referrals from other agencies relative to wanted persons.
- **Central Ohio Crime-Stoppers Program** - Issued 1,819 tips resulting in 215 arrests, \$70,000 worth of drugs confiscated, and \$1 million in stolen property recovered.
- **Investigative Duty Desk** - Provides 24 hour-a-day support to the investigative bureaus in Central Police Headquarters. Duty desk personnel duties include coordinating responses to crime scenes, answering and routing thousands of phone calls, and other clerical duties.

Crime Laboratory Section

This section provides scientific expertise in the examination of physical evidence.

- **Crime Lab** - Received 13,184 requests for service, which involved 86,505 examinations. This represents a 6% increase over the 2005 caseload. DNA analysts made 327 matches linking suspects to crimes, as well as linking serial crimes using CODIS. CODIS matches more than doubled in a one-year period.



A Crime Lab technician analyzes DNA to link suspects to crimes.



COMMANDER SUZANNE M. CURMODE

NARCOTICS BUREAU

The Narcotics Bureau is responsible for the enforcement of illegal narcotics, and the enforcement of the laws and regulations pertaining to prostitution, gambling, morality and liquor code. The bureau is divided into two sections, Narcotics and Vice. The bureau is comprised of one commander, three lieutenants, 12 sergeants, and 83 detectives.

Operations Section

This section investigates the flow of pharmaceutical drugs illegally obtained as well as all contraband narcotics such as marijuana, cocaine, heroin and methamphetamines.

- **Investigative/Support Operations Unit** - Received 5,847 narcotics complaints, executed 418 search warrants, conducted 26 consent searches, sent 409 landlord notification letters and charged 592 suspects with narcotics-related offenses. The total expenditures for the bureau were \$160,903. They spent \$61,980 on contraband purchases, \$50,003 on confidential informant fees and \$48,920 in operating expenses.
- **Pharmaceutical Investigation Unit** - Investigated over 200 cases of pharmaceutical diversion resulting in 127 arrests and indictments of suspects. Ten registered nurses and two physicians were among those charged. The unit seized over \$29,246 in controlled drugs and \$2,929 in cash.

Investigative-Tactical Section

- **Investigative Unit** - Worked several high profile cases thought out Central Ohio. In response to these cases, detectives made 54 arrests, obtained 79 indictments, executed 12 search warrants, and seized close to \$1 million in cash. Unit personnel seized 342 pounds of marijuana, 800 grams of heroin, 5 kilograms of cocaine, 501.3 grams of powder cocaine, and 43.9 grams of crack/cocaine. The street value of the drugs seized was estimated at \$440,420.
- **In/Tac Unit** - Investigated complaints regarding illicit narcotics activity, particularly crack house activity. In response to these complaints, detectives cleared 243 narcotics complaints received from the public, police personnel, and city administrators. Unit personnel completed a total of 587 missions including: 275 search warrants, six buy/bust operations, nine street interdictions, and 51 search warrants served for other narcotics units and agencies. The unit encountered 1,252 suspects of interest and was able to arrest and charge 297 of those suspects. As a result of the search warrants initiated and served, a total of 279 firearms were recovered, and the unit seized \$362,041 worth of crack/cocaine, \$137,343 worth of marijuana, and \$947,823 worth of cocaine. The ongoing investigations prevented a total of \$1,447,207 worth of illegal narcotics from hitting the streets of Columbus.

Vice Section

This section enforces laws and regulations pertaining to prostitution, gambling, morality and liquor code. The Vice section may also pursue all associated criminal activity within its operational purview.

- **Vice Unit** - Filed 2,230 charges against 1,861 individuals. The majority of the charges, over 70%, were filed for prostitution-related offenses. Moral violations in various city parks accounted for 112 of the arrests.



A Police Sergeant unpacks wrapped cocaine seized in a narcotics bust prior to entering the drugs as evidence to the Property Control Unit.



COMMANDER MICHAEL J. MANLEY



Bureau supervisors discuss details of an ongoing sexual assault case.

SPECIAL VICTIMS BUREAU

The Special Victims Bureau is comprised of two sections, the Sexual Assault Section and the Family Crimes Section.

Sexual Assault Section

This section is responsible for investigating kidnappings, abductions and sex offense crimes. Sex offense crimes are divided by age: victims under the age of 16 and victims 16 and over. This year was the first time that all sexual offenses were investigated by one unit.

- **Sexual Assault Unit** - Investigated 1,442 reports of kidnappings and abductions, involving 639 reported rapes to victims 16 years of age and over. Detectives investigated 139 referrals from Franklin County Children’s Services and the Department of Mental Health and Retardation.

Family Crimes Section

This section was formed to address the issues of violence and exploitation of children that are affecting families in our community.

- **Physical Child Abuse Unit** - Investigated 1,633 cases of possible

neglect or physical abuse of children, and found sufficient evidence in 249 cases to file criminal charges. Several cases involved serious injuries associated with “Shaken Baby Syndrome.”

- **Missing/Exploited Children Unit** - Investigated 6,901 Missing reports, 963 Interference with Custody reports, 80 Criminal Child Enticement reports, and 52 self-initiated child pornography cases.
- **Domestic Violence Unit** - Investigated over 230 cases for the Prosecutor’s Office and made 65 felony arrests.



Two Sexual Assault Section detectives review information regarding an investigation.



COMMANDER BRYAN A. SPERRY

PROPERTY CRIMES BUREAU

The bureau was created in January following the reorganization of the Detective, Intelligence, and Juvenile Bureaus. The bureau is composed of the Burglary Section and the Auto Theft/Economic Crime Section.

Burglary Section

- **Burglary Unit** - Accounted for 635 burglary arrests, 491 felony theft arrests, 171 other felony arrests and 123 misdemeanor arrests.
- **Property Recovery Unit** - Targets criminals who receive the stolen property and attempt to re-sell it. The unit scored a major bust during the Christmas holiday season when it raided a residence in southern Ohio and recovered 5 truckloads of stolen property, worth several thousand dollars. The unit has also actively investigated individuals and businesses that deal in recycled precious metals.

Auto Theft/Economic Crime Section

- **Auto Theft Unit** - Investigated 5,817 reported motor vehicle thefts, an 18% decrease, with a 93% recovery rate and 858 felony arrests.
- **Fraud/Forgery Unit** - Investigated and cleared 1,071 reports. One of the investigations resulted in the seizure of an estimated \$125,000 in counterfeit merchandise bearing brand names such as Prada, Gucci, Coach, Nike, and Louis Vuitton.
- **Economic Crime Unit** - Investigated 409 embezzlement cases, including several high-profile cases involving public officials. The unit is an essential part of a statewide Mortgage Fraud Task Force that has indicted over 15 suspects on over 200 counts of Fraud.



A Burglary Detective multi-tasks as he works to solve a major case.



DEPUTY CHIEF JOHN M. ROCKWELL

Patrol East Subdivision

The Patrol East Subdivision Deputy Chief commands an authorized staff of 580 sworn and two civilian employees. The Patrol East Subdivision is composed of three Patrol Zones. Each zone has a commander who is responsible for an eastern region of the city. The three zones are divided into ten precincts with officers working out of seven substations located throughout the eastern portion of the city.

The Patrol East Deputy Chief also serves as the point of contact on homeland security issues and initiatives, chairs the Franklin County Chiefs Association, serves on the Board of Directors for the Coalition Against Family Violence, and is Chairperson of the Firearms Board of Inquiry.



COMMANDER JEFFREY BLACKWELL
Zone One



COMMANDER DAVID L. SUMMERFIELD
Zone Two



COMMANDER RICHARD A. BASH
Zone Five

PATROL ZONES 1, 2 & 5

The Patrol East Subdivision is composed of three zones, which are further divided into ten separate precincts. Zone One is made up of 2, 7 and 18 Precincts. Zone Two is made up of 9, 13 and 14 Precincts and Zone Five includes 5, 6, 11 and 12 Precincts. The Division continues to work through a redistricting plan that will place our scarce resources into those areas and hours with the greatest demands. Additionally, it has been proposed that at least three of the precincts be split for better coverage and supervisory oversight.

- Grant projects, directed patrols, and crime sweeps conducted in conjunction with other bureaus represent some of the proactive measures used to address community concerns.
- The Summer Safety Initiative (SSI) was highly successful. This unique operation used officers and supervisors from their respective zones to address violent crime throughout their zone based on the latest crime-mapping data. Officers on overtime were used to fill the cruisers vacated by the SSI officers to ensure swift responses to calls for service.
- The construction phase for the 14 Precinct substation is underway and plans to add a new precinct to Zone Two are being finalized.
- Zone One experienced tremendous growth due to land annexations along the New Albany corridor, and through an influx in new immigrant populations including Somalis and Latinos. The Zone One command staff worked diligently with members from the City's Community Relations Commission to foster better trust and working relationships with these individuals.
- The 18th Precinct continues to be the busiest in the city, and plans are in the works to create a new precinct to serve the expanding needs of residents in the far northern areas of the city that border Delaware County.
- The Division continued its weekly crime strategy meetings. Commanders from the zones in the Patrol East Subdivision met with their counterparts in the Patrol West Subdivision and Investigative Subdivision personnel to exchange information and devise a coordinated response to crime concerns.
- A Terrorism Early Warning Group and Homeland Security Section was formulated and assigned to Patrol East. This section addresses not only terrorist concerns, but takes an all-hazards approach to address both man-made and natural disaster situations.



**DEPUTY CHIEF
STEPHEN P. GAMMILL**

Patrol West Subdivision

The Patrol West Subdivision Deputy Chief commands a staff of 520 sworn and eight civilian personnel. The Patrol West Subdivision is composed of two Patrol Zones and the Traffic Bureau. Each zone has a commander who is responsible for an western region of the city. The two Patrol zones are divided into nine precincts with officers working out of six substations located throughout the western portion of the city. The Traffic Bureau Commander oversees the Mounted, Freeway Patrol, Traffic Control, and the Accident Investigation Units, which are responsible for the freeways, downtown traffic, residential-area traffic, and the investigation of hit-skip and fatal crashes.



COMMANDER WILLIAM R. MATTEI
Zone Three



COMMANDER KENT H. SHAFER
Zone Four

PATROL ZONES 3 & 4

The Patrol West Subdivision is composed of Zone Three, Zone Four, and the Traffic Bureau. Zone Three covers the entire west side of Columbus and is made up of 8, 10, 15, and 19 Precincts. Zone Four covers the northwest quadrant of Columbus and is made up of 1, 3, 4, 16, and 17 Precincts. Zones Three and Four personnel continued to work in conjunction with area community groups during 2006; this ongoing communication and coordination with involved citizens led to effective community policing and excellent overall service.

In order to facilitate interaction with the community, personnel often attend community meetings. The meetings assist personnel in identifying challenges that residents face. Once a problem has been identified, personnel work with multiple bureaus to develop strategies to effectively address those challenges.

- Zone Three personnel work closely with the Division's Strategic Response Bureau (SRB) to develop strategies to address neighborhood crime problems. Successful strategies include: community education, directed patrols, warrants sweeps, gang identification, truancy, curfew enforcement, and surveillance.
- Zone Four faced ongoing challenges with the continuing growth of the Arena District in conjunction with the revitalization of the downtown area. Bicycle officers and walking patrols were effectively utilized to ensure the safety of and service to those individuals working, living and visiting in this area. Officers in this area have also been involved in a highly successful collaborative effort with the downtown business

community in the form of the Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District and the Downtown Ambassador programs.

- Zone Four crime patterns were addressed through the use of directed patrols, block grant funds, and joint efforts with other agencies, to include the Ohio Department of Liquor Control and the Ohio State University Police. Overall crime trends and patterns were examined and addressed at weekly Crime Strategy meetings that included personnel from multiple bureaus within the Division.
- Zone Four personnel continued to be actively involved in event planning that included: Red, White, and Boom, the African-American Heritage Festival, the OSU-Michigan football game, the Latino Festival and numerous anti-war demonstrations.



An officer at the Information Desk assists a citizen with questions about a police report.



COMMANDER RICHARD L. CROSBY

motorists, respond to crashes on the freeway system, and coordinate road closures in conjunction with Columbus and Ohio Department of Transportation engineers. These officers participated in state-sponsored grant programs to increase cruiser visibility and reduce aggressive driving, speeding, and drunk drivers in designated target areas. The unit made 983 OVI arrests.

Special Events Section

The Special Events Section is responsible for planning and working with the Secret Service on high profile dignitary visits. In addition, section personnel coordinate traffic control and route planning for Red, White and Boom, the Columbus Marathon, O.S.U. Football games, numerous parades, foot and bike races, and other major public events.

- **Accident Investigation Unit (AIU)** - Responsible for the investigation of fatal, possible fatal, and hit-skip crashes. The AIU investigated 49 fatal crashes, 40 serious injury crashes, 8 felony fleeing, 18 felony O.V.I.'s, 26 felony hit-skips, 3,953 assigned hit-skip reports and 3,318 no card hit-skip reports.
- **Mounted Unit** - Responds to various service requests from Patrol commanders for visibility in high crime areas. Unit personnel enforce various city ordinances patrolling in parks, along bike paths, and locations that are difficult for the regular patrol officers to service and enforce. The Mounted Unit provided crowd control during Red, White and Boom, the American Socialists demonstration, and in the O.S.U. area during football activities. In 2006, the Mounted Unit was involved in several hundred public relations visits to schools, senior citizen groups and numerous community organizations.

TRAFFIC BUREAU

The Traffic Bureau is composed of the Special Events Section and the Traffic Operations Section whose primary purpose is to provide for the safe and efficient movement of traffic in the downtown area and surrounding freeway system. The Traffic Bureau also manages the Columbus Focus on Safety Program that uses photo enforcement technology to identify vehicles that run red lights at selected intersections. In 2006, eight cameras were installed and operating at seven intersections by the end of the year. There were 3,672 warning letters and 9,455 notices issued. This program has reduced both accidents and violations at intersections monitored by the cameras.

Traffic Operations Section

- **Motorcycle Unit** - Responsible for regulating downtown traffic and assisting the Patrol Subdivisions by providing motorcycle officers to respond to neighborhood traffic concerns, as well as traffic enforcement at major crash scenes, or as a result of wide-scale power outages. The unit responded to approximately 280 P.A.R.S. (Police Action Reporting System) complaints involving speed and parking problems, in addition to 1,200 school visits to enforce the speed limit by writing over 6,000 citations in the school zones.
- **Freeway Patrol Unit** - Primary function is to enforce speed limits on the freeways with special attention to hazardous areas and construction zones. They also assist stranded



The Freeway Patrol Unit received a new Dodge Charger cruiser this year.



DEPUTY CHIEF GARY J. THATCHER

Support Services Subdivision

The Support Services Subdivision Deputy Chief commands a staff of 209 sworn and 211 civilian employees. The Support Services Subdivision consists of a variety of specialized units that support the Division's patrol, investigative, and administrative activities. Services provided by these specialized units include: communications, computer network support, helicopter air support, special weapons and tactics, canine, liaison with the court system, police records and identification, community liaison, crime analysis, gang and career criminal investigations and maintenance of the Division's motor vehicle fleet.



COMMANDER GARY A. DUNLAP

COMMUNICATIONS BUREAU

The Communications Bureau services the public 24-hours a day, seven days a week., and it supports the Division’s 16 other bureaus and establishes lines of communication with other law enforcement agencies. The Communications Center is one of 17 public safety answering points in Franklin County for the enhanced 9-1-1 system, which is linked with approximately 20 other local law enforcement agencies in Franklin County and allows for extensive interactive communication.

- Communications Bureau personnel answered a daily average of 2,808 non-emergency and 1,429 emergency 9-1-1 calls for service, a total of 1,546,691 telephone calls.

- The staffing level continues to fall far below the bureau’s authorized strength. The current strength is 83 full-time, fully-trained Communication Technicians with an additional 14 Communication Technicians in various stages of the training process. The authorized strength for the bureau is 118.
- New Motorola portable radios were purchased and distributed to all sworn members of the Division. The radios provide 24-hour access to the Radio Room and enhanced the safety of every officer within the Division of Police.



A Communications Technician takes vital information and relays it to Patrol officers.



The □ personnel and their service to the Division. The poster was the idea of Communications Technician Supervisor Mark Valentino.



COMMANDER LARRY M. ROD

SPECIAL SERVICES BUREAU

The Special Services Bureau consists of three sections: Court Liaison, Support, and Special Weapons and Tactics (S.W.A.T.). The bureau supports the Patrol Subdivisions as well as any unit that can benefit from its unique capabilities. Additionally, the bureau provides specialized support to other law enforcement and corrections agencies in the areas surrounding Columbus and Franklin County.

Court Liaison Section

The Court Liaison Section facilitates the collaboration of the Division of Police and the Franklin County Courts. This section tracks court overtime expenses based on the number of subpoenas issued, the number of times an officer's appearance was precluded by the Court Liaison Section's disposition of a case, and the cost of an officer's wages and benefits. The Division saved \$17,863,776 in court overtime costs.

Support Section

- **Marine Park Unit** - Responsible for patrolling the waterways of Columbus. The authorized strength of the Marine Park Unit is one sergeant and three officers. The unit worked 37 notable waterway events including 12 major regattas.
- **Underwater Search & Recovery Unit (USRU)** - Responsible for the recovery of bodies and other evidence from underwater scenes, but does not respond as a rescue unit. The unit responded to 16 requests for service, which resulted in 12 days of underwater operations ranging from searching for homicide victims to recovering stolen property. Most noteworthy, the unit executed underwater operations for a total

of seven days on body recoveries. As a result of these dives, the unit recovered three bodies, three safes and one vehicle.

- **Helicopter Unit** - The unit's primary mission is to provide aerial support for Patrol officers as well as other Division personnel. The aircrews are scheduled to fly 16 hours per day. Unit personnel compiled 4,928 flight hours and responded to 23,393 demands for service. The helicopter was first on the scene 7,976 times and had an average response time of 1.50 minutes. The Helicopter Unit, with its first responder capability, was directly involved in 355 felony and 180 misdemeanor arrests. The unit responded to over 200 requests for assistance from 38 other police agencies and hospitals within the Central Ohio area. The Helicopter Unit tragically lost its most experienced and longest serving pilot, Officer Paul Kaiser, to an on-duty death.

S.W.A.T. Section

- **S.W.A.T. Unit(s)** - Consists of three teams of officers: Green, Red, and Gold. The Division's hostage negotiators also report to the S.W.A.T. chain of command. The unit received 457 requests for service. Of those requests, S.W.A.T. responded and peaceably settled 20 hostage/barricade situations. The unit arrested 162 felons and 22 misdemeanor offenders, and served 54 search warrants for different units within the Division and other agencies in the Central Ohio area without serious injuries to officers or suspects. In addition, unit personnel conducted 58 stakeout missions that resulted in numerous arrests, and provided 30 public relations demonstrations to various civic and educational groups.
- **Canine Unit** - Responded to 3,819 dispatched runs, 4,170 self-initiated runs, and provided over 504 hours of canine assistance to S.W.A.T. and narcotics officers. The unit was involved in 595 Patrol-related criminal searches and 2,344 narcotics searches. Unit personnel effected 279 felony and 519 misdemeanor arrests, seized \$1,123,323 in cash, and seized various drugs with an estimated street value of \$8,798,038. Finally, the unit provided 33 public education demonstrations to various civic groups and educational institutions, and logged more than 3,000 hours of training to maintain the canine teams' accuracy and credibility.



Police helicopters have GPS onboard to assist the crew in responding to calls for service.



COMMANDER JAY L. EVANS

STRATEGIC RESPONSE BUREAU

The Strategic Response Bureau (SRB) consists of four sections: Administrative, Community Liaison, Enforcement, and Investigative. Although each section is responsible for separate law enforcement support and services, together they form a basis for the Division's community policing effort. Through partnerships built upon collaboration, SRB focuses on crime and crime-related issues at a neighborhood level.

Administrative Section

This section consists of the bureau commander, secretary, and two office assistants. The administrative staff is responsible for the typing, facility management, records management, mail delivery, and payroll issues connected with managing a bureau of over one hundred people.



An SRB officer and Patrol officer discuss details of a recent arrest.



A Community Liaison officer plays with children after attending a neighborhood blockwatch meeting.

Community Liaison Section

- **East & West Units** - Serve as a conduit for policing services as well as a route for feedback to the Division. The 19 Community Liaison Officers, one for each patrol precinct, attended numerous community and block-watch meetings and successfully addressed a multitude of problems ranging from widespread crime to quality of life issues.
- **High School Resource Unit** - Provides valuable services to the students of the Columbus Public Schools. Unit officers assist with police matters and other situations in the schools to prevent the incidents from escalating to criminal conduct. The unit's 17 officers effected 41 felony arrests, 387 misdemeanor arrests and issued 51 citations.

Enforcement Section

This section was instrumental in the success of the Division's crime strategy process, where crime issues are discussed and strategies and tactics are developed and implemented.

- **East Unit** - Conducted several round-ups that resulted in 40 felony arrests and three narcotics possessions. Unit personnel seized \$63,500 in cash, three firearms, two vehicles, three motorcycles, 474 grams of crack, and 70 grams of marijuana.
- **West Unit** - Conducted several round-ups, but one seven-month investigation resulted in the filing of 42 felony charges on 26 suspects, and the seizure of 27.1 grams of crack cocaine and one handgun. Enforcement Officers worked closely with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms on this investigation, and three of the suspects were indicted on federal offenses. Many of the offenses occurred within 1,000 feet of several nearby schools, which enhanced each criminal count by one degree.
- **Administrative Unit** - Responsible for all of the technical investigative tools, including: covert cameras,



SRB officers prepare the Mobile Command Bus for a special enforcement project.

microphones, GPS tracking devices and other equipment. In addition, unit personnel determine risk assessments for public events and monitor abortion clinic activity.

Investigative Section

- **Crime Analysis Unit** - Issued 274 crime pattern advisories and updates, completed 51 crime strategy reports, and processed 1,596 requests for information.
- **Criminal Information Unit (CIU)** - Focuses on the interdiction of criminal street gangs. CIU continues to work with the Gang Initiative program that is an ongoing effort to attack street gangs on several levels in order to reduce their effectiveness in creating an atmosphere of fear and intimidation in the communi-

ties where they exist. CIU worked successfully, with the assistance of the DEA, to build the foundation of a federal case against members of a known criminal street gang, and several key members of that criminal street gang are currently facing the possibility of being prosecuted federally.

- **School Investigative Unit** - Responsible for investigating criminal conduct occurring on school property. The investigators respond directly to calls for assistance from the schools and take appropriate police action as necessitated by their investigation.
- **Zone Investigative Unit (ZIU)** - Investigates misdemeanor cases referred by the Prosecutor's Office, and misdemeanor crimes reported by Patrol officers with a high degree of solvability. The unit was assigned a total of 47,443 reports, and all of the reports were reviewed for solvability factors and processed. ZIU officers were able to improve the number of cases cleared by arrest by over 100% for a total of 184 misdemeanor packets filed, in addition to filing several felony charges.
- **Career Criminal Unit** - Serves a dual role within SRB by tracking felons' arrest records and conducting criminal investigations, some of which are covert in nature. As a liaison with the Prosecutor's Office, the unit provided investigative packages for serious habitual offenders for enhanced vertical prosecution. The unit reviewed 5,357 arrest reports identifying 264 arrested persons as serious habitual offenders through Crime Point Analysis. Unit personnel made numerous felony arrests, seized \$474,500 in cash, confiscated 50 firearms, seized 18 vehicles, recovered in excess of 1,042 pounds of marijuana, nearly 14 kilos of powder cocaine, and 21 ounces of crack cocaine.



An SRB officer talks with a local news reporter.



COMMANDER MICHAEL W. SPRINGER

TECHNICAL SERVICES BUREAU

The Technical Services Bureau provides support for criminal identification, computer information systems, graphics and printing, photography, fleet management, safety, facilities, and record keeping. The bureau consists of the Technical Section and Facilities Section.

Technical Section

- **PoliceNet Operations & Administrative Units** - Monitor all computer systems in the Division. The unit provides technical support, completes computer enhancements, and oversees the Division's internal and external websites. The unit purchased 540 flat panel computer monitors completing the replacement of all monitors. Unit personnel performed critical upgrades and enhancements to the Division's electronic offense reporting software (NetRMS), which now includes the ability to track gang data.
- **Information Systems Unit** - Administered approximately 1,500 LEADS re-certification tests, and added approximately 20 new LEADS terminals to the LEADS interface. Unit personnel processed approximately 16,810 criminal arrest slates, 2,000 Traffic Stop forms, 2,500 personnel assignment changes, and 26,000 pawned articles.
- **Photography Unit** - Responsible for the processing and printing of all Division photography. The unit processed 4,576 photographic orders, and completed its first year of digital operations.
- **Print Shop Unit** - Operates a complete printing facility, which entails copying/printing, padding, cutting,

spiral binding, and packaging of division publications. The unit's work included: producing 5,229,000 overall impressions; 186,619 e-mail and network scan jobs, which included 32,700 accident reports; and completing 1,614 copy requests, 135 offset print jobs, and 331 requests for graphic arts services.

- **Records Unit** - Processes all public record requests. The unit's personnel processed: 16,700 requests for assistance, 151,730 offense reports, 33,063 accident reports, and 19,235 incoming Teletype messages/LEADS/NCIC entries.
- **Fleet Unit** - Managed and maintained a total of 1,037 vehicles for police operations. The fleet includes marked cruisers, truck and vans, unmarked cars, buses, SUV's, and other specialty vehicles. These vehicles were driven a total of 16,923,413 miles throughout the year. The Division received no new vehicles in the budget, but 18 used, covert vehicles were purchased from funds allocated to the Mayor's Summer Safety Initiative.

Facilities Section

This section is responsible for the administration of construction, updating the budget for capital expenditures, planning for future projects, and overseeing maintenance projects on police facilities.

- **Identification (ID) Unit** - The ID unit personnel processed 11,565 adult offenders and 2,242 juvenile offenders. In addition, the unit processed 5,168 civilian applicants during business hours.
- **Latent Unit** - Personnel logged in 5,572 cases and made 984 identifications. Of those 984 identifications, 611 were AFIS hits. The first palm print hit was recorded on March 6, 2006, and an additional 29 palm print hits were subsequently recorded.
- **Safety Programs Unit** - The Division's Safety Program Manager performed industrial hygiene monitoring and testing, accident and incident investigations, AED inspections, chemical hood calibration, job hazard analysis, space allocation, safety programs implementation and ergonomic audits for the Division. There were 35 significant health exposures during the year involving Division personnel.



The Safety Program Manager inspects an Evacu-trac chair used to transport individuals down the stairs during an emergency.

PATROL EQUIPMENT HIGHLIGHTS

The Patrol Subdivisions purchased several new items to assist Patrol officers in the performance of their duties. Some of these items include:

- Ten shot gun racks to secure shotguns from theft, but make them easily accessible during an emergency situation.
- Ten window tint meters to provide officers the ability to verify the level of tint used on a vehicle .
- Field drug test kits to enable patrol officers to obtain immediate test results on the street.
- Fifteen handheld radar units, which can be effectively used in the residential neighborhoods. The new radar units are smaller, easier to setup, and extremely economical.
- Eight portable breath testers for officers that have displayed a higher than average initiative to enforce impaired driving laws. The portable testers offer immediate results and assist officers in making an informed decision on a possible impaired driver.



OFFICERS WILLIAM AND EMANUEL EDWARDS SAVE A LIFE

On December 11, 2006 at 3:55 p.m., radio received an emergency 9-1-1 call stating that a child was floating face down in a pond on Harshman Court. Officers William Edwards and Emanuel Edwards, working cruiser 142B, were the first responders to the scene. The officers observed citizens standing on the side of the pond unsuccessfully trying to throw a garden hose to the child.

The child was panicking and fighting to stay afloat in the icy water. Both officers jumped into the ice covered pond, risking their own lives. They broke through the ice with their bare hands to save the child. Although it was a struggle, the officers were able to grab the child and pull him from the freezing water. Once the child was out of the water, officers and citizens removed the child's wet clothes and bundled him in blankets until he was transported to Children's Hospital in stable condition.

Both officers were treated at the scene for minor cuts to their hands and arms from breaking the sharp ice. After they were treated, the officers quickly changed into dry uniforms and went back to finish their shift. Because of their brave act, the child quickly returned home safely with his family and is grateful for the work of these two fine officers.



Drugs and guns seized during the Summer Safety Initiative.

MAYOR'S SUMMER SAFETY INITIATIVE

The Division of Police, under the direction of Mayor Michael Coleman, was tasked to develop the second annual "Strike Force" strategic plan to address violent crime in neighborhoods identified as "at-risk" from crime analysis information and line officer input.

In February 2006, Commander Michael Springer created and chaired a "Strike Force" Committee that was comprised of multiple patrol officers and command personnel throughout the Division. The committee developed an improved Strike Force Initiative that was designated "a plan designed by officers for officers."

The plan called for the utilization of aggressive uniformed tactics with increased cooperation between involved officers, Division work units and the City Attorneys Office to improve effectiveness.

The results were nothing less than impressive. Statistics in all performance areas increased dramatically for the 11 week program including a 375% increase in felony arrests (456) and a 526% increase in confiscated firearms (219).

Information and formal feedback generated from the involved personnel will be utilized for the 2007 initiative.

NEW BIKES

The Division's Bicycle/Walkie Crew Officers provide stealth enforcement of criminal and traffic laws in the City of Columbus. Bike officers are able to move about the city in areas where cruisers cannot go, such as, crowds, yards, and alleyways. The bikes give the officers the ability to chase individuals fleeing on foot, and to arrive at in-progress crimes virtually unnoticed by the suspects. The Bicycle/Walkie Crew Officers work all special events in

the city and have become experts in crowd control, crowd maneuvering, escorts, and responding to crimes in densely crowded events.

The Columbus City Council approved funding for 56 new Smith and Wesson custom bicycles to outfit the majority of the Division's Bicycle/Walkie Crews throughout the city. Two sergeants tested and examined multiple makes and styles of bicycles before choosing the all-weather/all-terrain Smith and Wesson bicycle. The bicycles have proven to be a great choice for replacing an aging fleet of mismatched bicycles.

With the approved funds, the Division was able to consolidate purchasing, repairs, and maintenance for the bicycles and purchase new equipment that should last approximately three to four years, depending on use. The new bicycles are able to maneuver under all types of conditions and will enable the Bicycle/Walkie Crew Officers to do their job more efficiently.

DIVISION ARMED WITH NEW HANDGUN



Chief Jackson is presented with a new custom-engraved Smith & Wesson M&P .40 caliber handgun.

In August 2006, the Division began issuing a new handgun to all sworn personnel at no cost to the City of Columbus. The Division's handguns were replaced due to the discontinuation of the Smith & Wesson .45 caliber that a majority of the sworn personnel were carrying. After extensive research and testing by Ordnance Unit personnel, the Smith & Wesson Military & Police (M&P) .40 caliber handgun was chosen as the replacement.

The M&P .40 caliber handgun offers many features beneficial to the Division and its officers. The gun is ergonomically designed to allow for better marksmanship, and the officers are able to carry more rounds with this model. The M&P .40 caliber handgun is also lighter and has proven stopping power.

The Division is pleased with the Smith & Wesson M&P .40 caliber handgun and its features. The .40 caliber has proven its reliability and stopping power throughout the country. The Division will continue to ensure that the officers on the street will not be outgunned by the criminal element.

RAPID IDENTIFICATION

The field of biometric identification technology has dramatically expanded over the past several years. The use of the AFIS systems (Automated Fingerprint Identification System) now includes palm prints and "fast" identification (using two to four fingerprint images), facial recognition, and iris scanning. In November 2005, the Columbus Division of Police introduced an upgrade to the AFIS system to include palms prints, Fast ID and RapID.



The "RapID" portable handheld device used by patrol officers to identify suspects and victims.

The Columbus Division of Police is the first law enforcement agency to deploy forty Sagem-Morpho RapID devices, which use wireless communication to transmit information. RapID is a portable, handheld device that officers can use from a remote or mobile location. The device scans and captures two fingerprints, which are then entered into and compared against the 250,000 records of the known criminal prints on file in the AFIS database. The search process takes approximately three to four minutes. Once the system has completed the search, a return message will display either "hit" with general identification information of the individual or "no hit," meaning the individual is not in the AFIS system. All "hit" responses must be verified before processing the individual.

The RapID system has been very beneficial to the Division. The device has allowed for faster identification of individuals, which reduces the time officers spend attempting to verify or authenticate an individual's identification. In some instances, the law enforcement officer may wish to simply issue a summons or citation, but needs the proper identification of the subject. The RapID has also been helpful in identifying victims. Finally, the system offers access to the AFIS system without the inconvenience of transporting an individual to the Identification Unit at Central Police Headquarters. This reduces the time officers spend transporting individuals and allows the officers to spend more time on the street answering the citizens' "calls for service."

In Memoriam

Name	Entered Service	Retired	Deceased
*Officer George Deckard	05/08/39	05/07/64	02/11/99
Captain Frank A. Peterfy	05/23/49	07/08/78	01/23/06
Officer John L. Walsh	11/04/96	12/13/02	02/23/06
Officer Leslie M. Booker	10/16/88	04/23/05	02/24/06
Sergeant Donald L. Raabe	04/16/56	06/07/82	02/27/06
Captain Carl E. Bailey	02/01/50	03/18/77	03/09/06
Sergeant Maurice E. Turner	10/19/75	01/23/99	03/17/06
Officer Robert B. Shoaf	02/01/57	08/16/80	04/17/06
Captain Richard L. Born	11/16/50	01/30/82	04/26/06
Officer Paul S. Kaiser	12/16/73	Active	07/17/06
Sergeant Lawrence J. Deck	05/10/81	07/18/06	07/20/06
Officer Marvin E. French	01/06/80	01/22/86	07/30/06
Chief Robert H. Baus	09/01/41	02/28/70	07/31/06
Officer Richard P. Carr	06/01/97	Active	08/23/06
Sergeant Stafford B. Harper	08/01/48	01/10/75	11/29/06
Officer John Hunt Jr.	07/29/73	03/23/96	12/05/06
Officer William R. Justus	08/09/65	10/02/76	12/11/06
Officer Jeri L. Morgan	09/18/77	11/04/06	12/29/06

* Late notification

Officers Who Have Died in the Line of Duty

Patrolman Cyrus Beebe.....	April 27, 1854	Patrolman Campbell K. Jenkins.....	January 9, 1939
Detective Abe Kleeman.....	September 15, 1899	Patrolman John M. McCullough.....	January 18, 1942
Patrolman Daniel Davis.....	June 7, 1908	Patrolman Thomas E. Webb.....	August 17, 1956
Patrolman Harry E. Campbell.....	December 24, 1908	Patrolman Richard E. Taylor.....	January 19, 1963
Patrolman Frank P. Ward.....	June 9, 1911	Lieutenant Allen E. Fraley.....	November 6, 1964
Patrolman William Sexton.....	March 25, 1913	Patrolman Robert F. Lisska.....	May 26, 1965
Patrolman Joseph Lavender.....	June 26, 1913	Patrolman Daniel Alfred Redding.....	July 27, 1965
Patrolman James Ballard.....	November 9, 1914	Patrolman William G. Wells.....	December 21, 1965
Patrolman John Laufhutte.....	August 22, 1916	Auxillary Officer Lawrence V. Kipfinger.....	October 13, 1969
Detective William Rourke.....	November 24, 1917	Patrolman Curtis L. Staton.....	March 22, 1972
Patrolman David L. Jenkins.....	February 8, 1919	Patrolman Joseph "Andy" Edwards.....	August 28, 1972
Patrolman Adolph G. Schneider.....	September 23, 1920	Sergeant Dale W. McCann.....	June 7, 1974
Detective Charles E. Tiller.....	October 28, 1920	Officer Roger L. Brown.....	August 11, 1976
Patrolman Jesse Reall.....	February 26, 1921	Officer Michael J. Smith.....	August 11, 1976
Patrolman Granston P. Koehler.....	November 28, 1922	Officer Martin W. Yawarsky.....	September 6, 1980
Patrolman Troy C. Stewart.....	April 22, 1924	Officer Gordon J. Rich.....	April 5, 1986
Patrolman Harry E. Shaffer.....	March 29, 1925	Officer Richard Fickeisen.....	June 1, 1987
Detective Walter O. Womeldorf.....	May 29, 1925	Officer Jane E. Thompson-Bowman.....	March 9, 1989
Patrolman William Sweinsberger.....	January 7, 1926	Officer Robin Nye.....	January 4, 1991
Patrolman Horace D. Elliott.....	March 29, 1927	Officer Raymond E. Radel.....	April 25, 1991
Patrolman Thomas Day.....	July 7, 1931	Officer Chris E. Clites.....	December 10, 1993
Patrolman Leslie Green.....	October 4, 1931	Sergeant Marc Muncy.....	April 5, 1995
Patrolman Ross Porter.....	July 23, 1934	Officer Keith L. Evans.....	July 9, 1995
Patrolman Edward J. Murphy.....	May 11, 1935	Lieutenant Christopher N. Claypool.....	April 29, 2001
Patrolman John P. Sears.....	November 30, 1936	Officer Melissa Foster.....	December 4, 2004
Detective Robert R. Cline.....	February 5, 1938	Officer Bryan Hurst.....	January 6, 2005

Police Chaplains



Reverend
Richard D. Ellsworth



Monsignor
David V. Sorohan

Personnel Status

Rank	Sworn Personnel	
		Strength On 12-31-2006
Chief.....	1	
Deputy Chief.....	5	
Commander	18	
Lieutenant	55	
Sergeant	226	
Police Officer.....	1,517	
Total Sworn Personnel	1,822	

Promotions

	Promoted to:	Date
Scott W. Bartholow	Police Lieutenant	04/09/2006
Kenneth J. Kuebler	Police Lieutenant	04/09/2006
Jennifer L. Knight	Police Sergeant	04/09/2006
Clifton T. Dean	Police Sergeant	04/09/2006
Mark E. Lang	Police Sergeant	04/09/2006
Scott L. Wagner	Police Sergeant	04/09/2006
David A. Blubaugh	Police Sergeant	04/09/2006
Aimee A. Haley	Police Sergeant	04/09/2006
John P. Fantin III	Police Sergeant	04/09/2006
David L. Hughes	Police Sergeant	04/09/2006
Patrick G. Shaffer	Police Sergeant	07/02/2006
Brian E. Lance	Police Sergeant	07/02/2006
William T. Morrison	Police Lieutenant	08/27/2006
Christine M. Nemchev	Police Sergeant	08/27/2006
Dean P. Worthington	Police Sergeant	08/27/2006
James B. Morrow	Police Sergeant	08/27/2006
Richard A. Bash	Police Commander	11/05/2006
Michael A. Woods	Police Lieutenant	11/05/2006
Matthew L. Streng	Police Sergeant	11/05/2006
Matt E. Harris	Police Sergeant	11/05/2006
Raymond A. Meister	Police Sergeant	11/05/2006

Personnel

Retirements

Civilian Classifications

	Rank	Entered Service	Retired	Classification	Strength on December 31, 2006
Joseph Dickerson	Police Officer	08/13/1972	01/07/2006	Administrative Assistant	7
Robert Michael Taylor	Police Officer	07/13/1980	01/13/2006	Administrative Secretary	5
Mark W. Giese	Police Officer	12/16/1975	01/20/2006	Analyst/Programmer I.....	1
Laura D. Stratton	Sergeant	07/14/1980	01/28/2006	Crime Analyst I	4
Gerald D. Roundtree	Sergeant	07/08/1974	01/28/2006	Crime Analyst II	1
Sandra L. Ladley	Police Officer	12/07/1980	01/28/2006	Crime Lab Manager.....	1
Henry E. Hunt	Police Officer	10/19/1975	01/28/2006	Criminalist Intelligence Analyst.....	1
Radyn S. Credeur	Police Officer	12/07/1980	01/28/2006	Criminalist I	3
Thomas Notturiano	Police Officer	01/02/1972	02/02/2006	Criminalist II.....	6
William F. Hensley	Sergeant	12/03/1972	02/25/2006	Criminalist III.....	3
Del R. Allen	Lieutenant	12/03/1978	03/11/2006	Equipment Operator I	11
David A. Koncelik	Sergeant	12/27/1990	03/11/2006	Fingerprint Technician I	16
Richard R. Adrian	Police Officer	02/12/1981	04/08/2006	Fingerprint Technician II	4
Floyd H. Wise	Police Officer	09/02/1979	04/21/2006	Fingerprint Technician Trainee	3
George E. Smith	Police Officer	03/26/1972	04/28/2006	Firing Range Assistant	1
Blair E. Schuler	Sergeant	07/08/1974	05/04/2006	Fiscal Assistant I.....	3
Robin D. Mizell	Police Officer	05/10/1981	05/13/2006	Fiscal Assistant II.....	3
Ronald R. Logsdon	Police Officer	08/13/1972	06/02/2006	Fleet Coordinator.....	1
Clyde M. Schulze	Police Officer	10/16/1968	06/03/2006	Fleet Attendant	2
Frederick L. Kaufman	Police Officer	07/29/1973	06/17/2006	Human Resources Generalist	1
Scott R. Mikesell	Police Officer	12/03/1979	06/30/2006	Human Resources Manager	1
Ronald R. Lanning	Police Officer	08/24/1986	07/01/2006	Information Systems Manager	1
Dallas L. Baldwin	Lieutenant	04/02/1978	07/13/2006	Laborer	2
Craig S. Lee	Sergeant	03/24/1982	07/15/2006	Latent Print Examiner.....	4
Otto E. Stace Iii	Police Officer	11/14/1971	07/15/2006	Latent Print Supervisor.....	1
Edwin A. Tague	Sergeant	03/26/1972	07/21/2006	Mail Clerk.....	1
Allen K. Skaggs	Sergeant	08/13/1972	08/12/2006	Management Analyst II.....	3
Joseph W. Cartmille Jr.	Police Officer	09/03/1989	08/12/2006	Office Assistant I.....	40
John E. Sprague	Police Officer	05/18/1981	08/25/2006	Office Assistant II.....	33
Paul S. Denton	Commander	12/03/1978	10/13/2006	Office Assistant III.....	2
Jeri L. Morgan	Police Officer	09/18/1977	11/04/2006	Office Support Clerk	3
John D. Ringhiser	Police Officer	07/29/1973	11/30/2006	Payroll/Benefits Clerk	9
Margaret E. Shoemaker	Police Officer	05/10/1981	12/16/2006	Photography Technician	1
				Photo Lab Manager.....	1
				Police Communications Technician.....	89
				Police Communications Tech Supervisor.....	9
				Police Property Clerk.....	13
				Police Records Technician	33
				Police Records Technician Supervisor.....	4
				Polygraphist.....	2
				Print Services Specialist.....	3
				Print Services Supervisor	1
				Property Evidence Technician	3
				Public Information Assistant II	1
				Purchasing Expeditor	1
				Safety Programs Manager	1
				Security Specialist	4
				Storekeeper II.....	1
				Typist Clerk	31
				Vehicle Impound Inspector.....	5
				Total Civilian Personnel.....	342

Insurance Women of Columbus - Police Officer of the Month

The Insurance Women of Columbus recognizes police officers and firefighters alternately, ten months out of the year.



James Dembinski
January/February



Kareem Kashmiry
March/April



Timothy Halbakken
May/June



Sgt. Joseph Curmode
September/October



Glen Talor
November/December

Civilian Employee of the Month



Patricia Walker-Mullens
January/February



Margaret Winters
March/April



Pamela Carruthers
May/June



Dale Morgan
September/October



Marion Orr
November/December

City Council Outstanding Officer Award



Dennis Minotti
January



Ron Waugh
February



David Magaw
April



Lt. Craig Stone
May



Rick Hannah
June



Tim O'Donnell
September



John Patton/Troy Palmer
October



Greg Sheppard
November

Compliments and Complaints

The policy of the Columbus Division of Police is to ensure prompt and courteous action in regard to complaints made by citizens against its officers and civilian employees. Complaints can be made in person, in writing, or by telephone, and are investigated by officers of supervisory rank.

During 2006, 638 complaints were filed, reporting 1,167 allegations of misconduct. The findings of the investigations were as follows: 369 allegations were Unfounded, 216 allegations were Not Sustained, 37 allegations were Withdrawn, 192 allegations were either Exonerated or the actions were found to be Within Policy and Procedure, 53 allegations were Sustained, 8 allegations were Cancelled for Cause, and the remaining 250 were still pending as of January 1, 2007.

The Division received 916 written or verbal compliments specifically commending 1,664 sworn officers and 60 civilian employees. An additional 58 compliments were received commending specific precincts, units or the entire Division of Police.

Police Medal Award Recipients

Silver Cross



This award is presented to officers who perform an act of extraordinary heroism, which does not justify the Medal of Valor, or who act in an exemplary manner and under substantial risk of personal harm.

William Edwards
Emanuel Edwards

Purple Heart Medal



The Purple Heart is awarded to officers who have been killed in the line of duty, or who have sustained serious injuries as a result of an intentional criminal assault, such as a shooting, stabbing, or bludgeoning.

Jon Broecker

Distinguished Service Medal



The Distinguished Service Medal is awarded to Columbus Police Officers who courageously performs an act in the line of duty at a significant risk of serious physical harm to him/herself. The act must have been performed under a complicated or hazardous condition during which the officer used excellent judgment in accomplishing a specific police mission.

Barry O'Dell
Christopher Meyer

Medal of Merit



This award is presented to those officers who demonstrate a high degree of personal initiative, perform substantially above normal requirements and in an exemplary manner, or who contribute significantly to the achievement of law enforcement goals.

Jack Adkins	Andrew Smith
Samuel Foster	Michael Kegley
Adam Hicks	Scott Siford
James Howe	Adam Federer
Peter Pappas	Scott Soha
Robert Vass	Robert Carter
Andrew Ward	Billy Church
Smith Weir	Jeffrey Kasza
Sgt. Steve Livingston	Douglas White
Donald Paden	Calvin Clutter
Glen Siniff	Mark Johnson
Bradley Wannemacher (2)	Ryan Chrysler

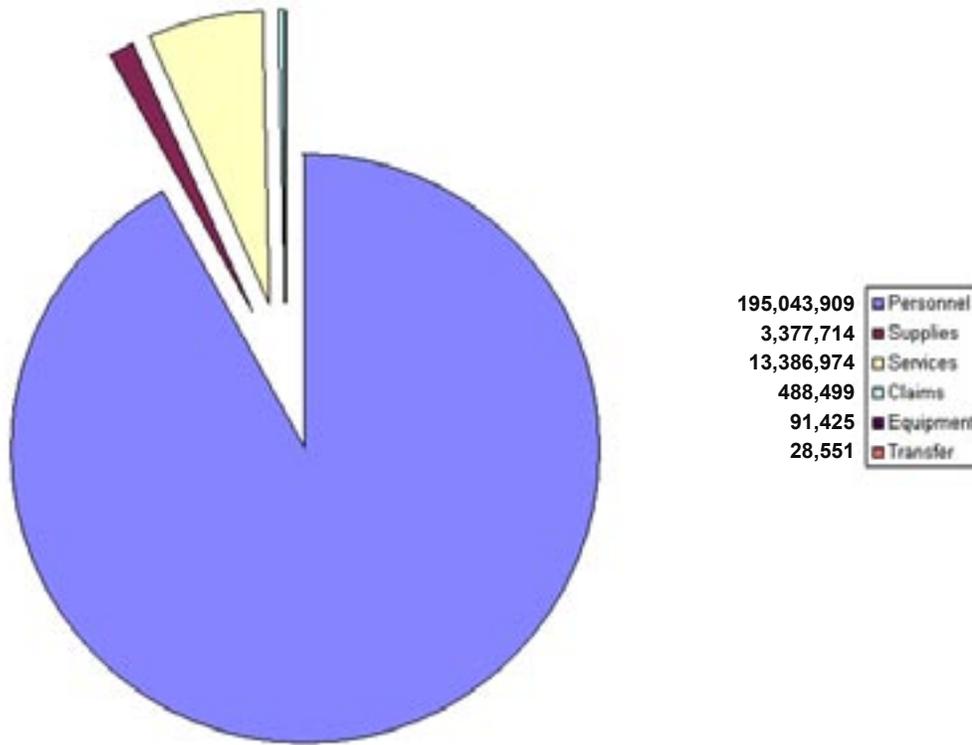
Blue Star



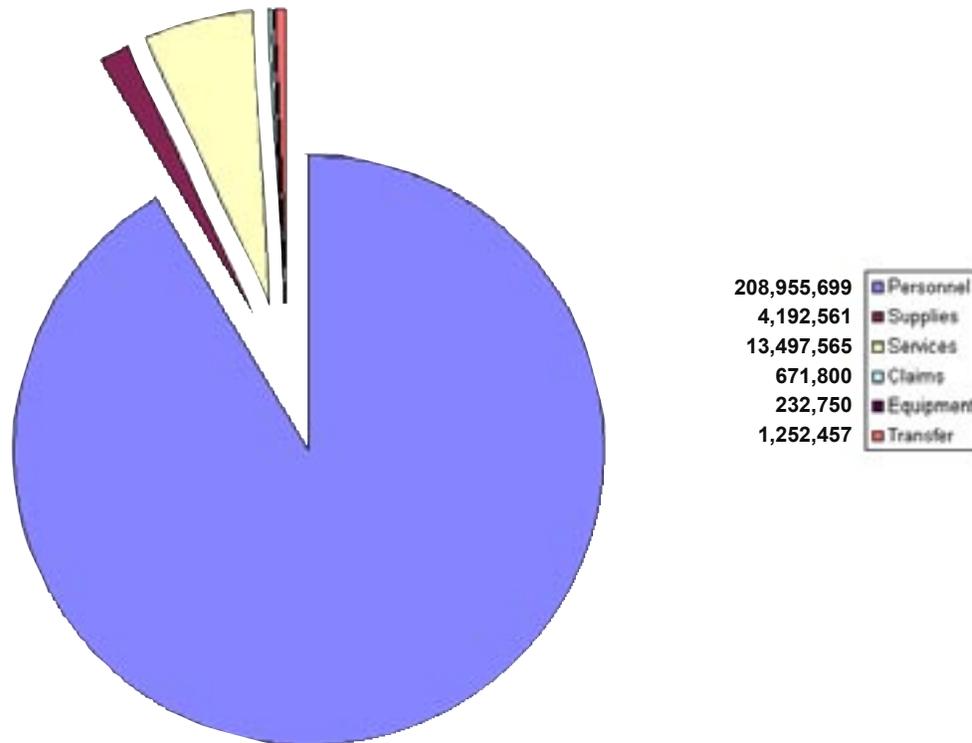
This award is presented to officers who, while in the performance of duty, sustain injuries which would constitute serious physical harm.

Duffy Everhart	Todd Cramblett
John Gillis	Charles Distelhorst
John Kuntupis	Randall Lyons
Billy Church	Wendell Tolber
Adoree Georskey	Marc Helder
Gregory Meyer	Matthew Hammond
Matthew Rhyne	Billy Church

2005 Expenditures



2006 Expenditures



Number of Arrests Per Month - 2006

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	TOTALS
Murder	5	4	4	6	1	4	3	10	11	7	6	2	63
Rape	14	11	19	13	13	12	15	13	10	10	10	9	149
Robbery	27	36	36	29	41	56	55	63	41	42	43	58	527
Agg Assault	21	18	29	28	25	19	21	24	127	16	20	19	367
Burglary	61	35	51	50	68	56	48	64	67	55	47	49	651
Larceny Theft	91	100	110	96	111	93	127	94	111	111	87	121	1,252
Vehicle Theft	14	22	12	13	12	13	17	13	12	19	13	6	166
Arson	3	2	1	3	4	3	1	1	9	0	8	1	36
Total	236	228	262	238	275	256	287	282	388	260	234	265	3,211
Part I Offenses	617	581	639	613	696	659	694	692	682	597	550	612	7,632
Total	1,340	1,283	1,337	1,260	1,379	1,308	1,438	1,495	1,416	1,222	1,186	1,237	15,901

Number of Offenses Per Month - 2006

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	TOTALS
Murder	10	8	6	12	5	11	9	13	10	10	4	4	102
Rape	46	42	68	64	63	57	68	63	39	30	32	40	612
Robbery	342	250	308	288	337	358	310	329	332	282	318	334	3,788
Agg Assault	141	123	118	170	133	171	184	141	124	108	123	119	1,655
Burglary	1,155	1,114	1,214	1,139	1,332	1,442	1,372	753	1,337	1,315	1,189	1,268	14,630
Larceny Theft	2,679	2,089	2,654	2,542	2,790	2,854	3,030	2,366	2,666	2,591	2,526	2,913	31,700
Vehicle Theft	594	527	520	459	526	578	620	464	461	555	513	493	6,310
Arson*	71	21	62	37	65	89	47	22	53	25	56	11	559
Total	5,038	4,174	4,950	4,711	5,251	5,560	5,640	4,151	5,022	4,916	4,761	5,182	59,356

* The Arson numbers come from the Columbus Division of Fire. These OIBRS figures are from the State of Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services and were entered as of February 20, 2007. The homicide figures were obtained from Lt. James Schrader of the Homicide Unit.

**Ohio Incident Based Reporting System Offenses*
2005 to 2006 Comparison**

	2005 (Data retrieved 2/17/2006)	2006 (Data retrieved 2/20/2007)	Difference
Murder**	103	102	-1.0%
Rape	541	612	13.1%
Robbery	3,802	3,788	-0.4%
Aggravated Assault	1,700	1,655	-2.6%
Burglary	14,638	14,630	-0.1%
Larceny Theft	32,148	31,700	-1.4%
Vehicle Theft	7,631	6,310	-17.3%
Arson	465	559	20.2%
Total	61,028	59,356	-2.7%
Estimated Population***	763,351	768,804	0.7%
Rate per 1,000 Population	79.9	77.2	-3.4%

* OIBRS figures are from the State of Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services.

** Murder figures are from the Columbus Division of Police Homicide Unit.

*** Population figures are obtained from the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

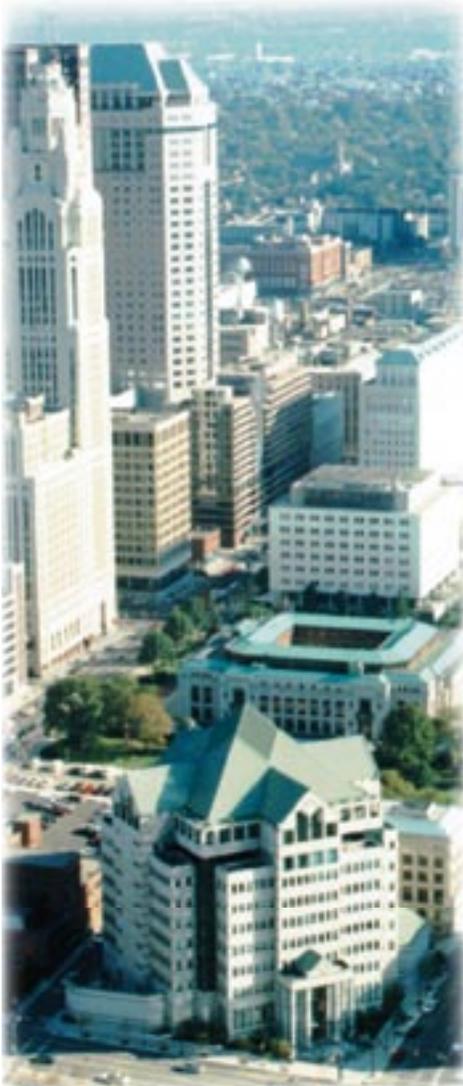
**Demands for Service
Number of Runs by Units - Ten Year Comparison
CAD Reports PL0830E (Hazardous) & PL0830D (Non-Hazardous)**

Year	Total	Hazardous	% Total	Non-Hazardous	% Total
1996	936,889	577,278	62%	359,611	38%
1997	987,416	623,742	63%	363,674	37%
1998	986,341	627,454	64%	358,887	36%
1999	957,367	619,042	65%	338,325	35%
2000	967,739	618,055	64%	349,684	36%
2001	1,022,847	655,050	64%	367,797	36%
2002	1,016,350	643,893	63%	372,457	37%
2003	972,515	613,660	63%	358,855	37%
2004	981,034	627,612	64%	353,422	36%
2005	979,927	619,788	63%	360,139	37%
2006	1,021,493	642,568	63%	378,925	37%

Hazardous Call Codes

10-3 Officer in Trouble	10-28 Homicide	10-43 Shooting
10-7A Open Building	10-29 Juvenile Complaint	10-43A Shots Fired
10-8 Burglary in Progress	10-30 Larceny in Progress	10-43B Shots Fired/Hunters
10-8A Burglary Alarm	10-30B Shoplifter	10-44 Sex Crime in Progress
10-8B B&E Vacant Bldg.	10-33 Person with a Gun	10-44B Indecent Exposure
10-10 Bomb Threat	10-33A Person with a Knife	10-45 Stolen Vehicle
10-10A Suspicious Pkg.	10-34 Unknown Complaint	10-47A Suicide Attempt
10-14 Cutting/Stabbing	10-34A Unk. Call/Panic Alarm	10-48 Suspicious Vehicle
10-16 Disturbance	10-34B 911 Hangup Call	10-48A Suspicious Person
10-16B Disturbance/Mental	10-35 OVI	10-48G Threat Group Member
10-16C Loud Music	10-38 Property Destruction in Progress	10-49 Vice Complaint
10-17 Domestic Violence	10-39 Prowlers	10-49A Narcotics Complaint
10-17A Domestic Dispute	10-41 Robbery Just Occurred	10-50 Wanted Person
10-19 Drunk	10-42 Robbery in Progress	10-50A Wanted Felon
10-26 Fight	10-42A Robbery Alarm	10-51 Prisoner Transport

Columbus Compared to Ohio's Two Other Largest Cities

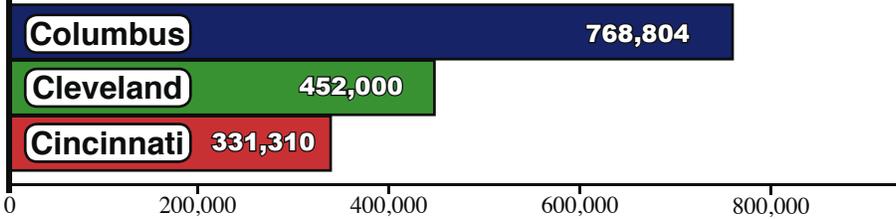


The Columbus Division of Police is proud to have earned accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) and the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors/Laboratory Accreditation Board (ASCLD/LAB) for the Division's Crime Laboratory.

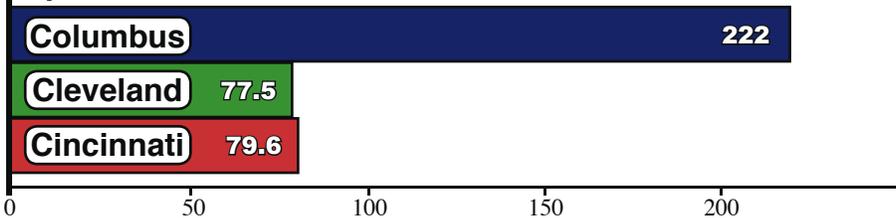
	Population*	Square Miles	Sworn	Sworn/1000	Sworn/Sq. Mi.
Columbus	768,804	222	1,822	2.37	8.2
Cleveland	452,000	77.5	1,616	3.58	20.9
Cincinnati	331,310	79.6	1,082	3.27	13.6

*Figures provided by MORPC and the respective agency.

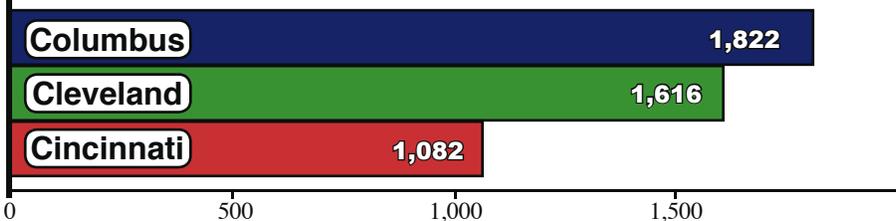
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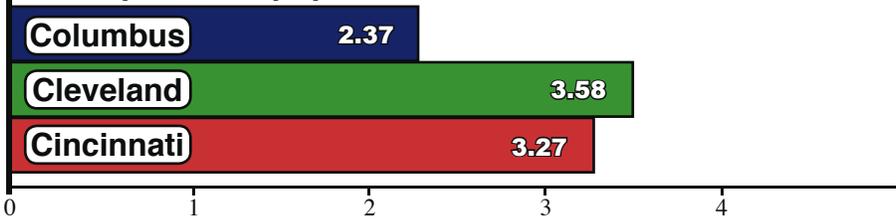
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Sworn Officers



Sworn per 1,000 population



Sworn Per Square Mile



