

Columbus Police 2016 Annual Report

Celebrating 200 Years of Service



1920s



1940s



1960s



1980s



2000s



2016



1930s



1950s



1970s



1990s



2010s



Mission Statement

We are in service with the purpose to protect, with the passion to persevere, and with the utmost pride in our performance.

Vision Statement

United in a spirit of teamwork, the Columbus Division of Police will be a trustworthy, diverse, progressive and community-minded organization devoted to providing excellent public service. We will be unyielding in purpose and dedicated to live by our core values, which reflect our genuine desire to care for the safety and well-being of our community and our employees.

Core Values

PROFESSIONALISM

RESPECT

INTEGRITY

DISCIPLINE

ENTHUSIASM

Quick Facts

Year organized 1816

Proposed Budget (FY 2016)

Personnel \$291,627,429
Supplies \$3,943,450
Services \$14,078,158
Other (Claims)..... \$472,577
Capital..... \$0
Transfers \$17,671
Total \$310,139,284

Sworn Personnel Strength (as of 12/31/2016)

Chief..... 1
Deputy Chief 6
Commander 17
Lieutenant 54
Sergeant 225
Officer 1545
TOTAL..... 1848

Breakdown of Sworn Assignments

Patrol..... 68%
Investigative 20%
Support..... 7%
Administrative..... 5%

Civilian Personnel Strength

Management 39
Other Classifications 319
Recruits 58
TOTAL..... 416

Equipment

Boats..... 5
Bicycles 154
Canines 10
Facilities 27
Helicopters 5
Horses..... 10
Marked vehicles 457
Motorcycles 31
Unmarked vehicles 394

Specialized Teams

BAC Operators..... 76
Bicycle Officers 110
Crisis Intervention Team Officers 275
Community Response Team Officers 57
DICE/DRE Officers 28/8
Dive Team Members 13
Field Training Officers 145
Hostage Negotiators 10
Honor Guard Members 58
Reserve Officers 73
SWAT 26

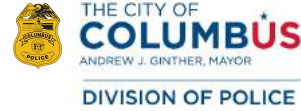
2016 Estimated Population

Per MORPC 842,528
Per Census 850,106

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KIM JACOBS
Chief of Police



The Division of Police celebrated two hundred years of service to our community in 2016. Policing has certainly evolved during that time period, but one thing hasn't: the members of the Columbus Division of Police prove every single day of every year that they are committed to public safety. Over the years though, we have seen transformations in how to solve crimes, identify people, gather evidence, and keep records. We have created and adapted policies that reflect changing community expectations, and we continue to be one of the most progressive police agencies in the United States. The contributions of all past and current Division employees were recognized in a Bicentennial celebration in September and highlighted in a new Columbus Police history book. I extend my thanks to the people who put in many hours of hard work to make both efforts a resounding success. The celebration event brought back many former employees of the Division who were able to reconnect with old friends and see presentations on the Division's history, to include African American officers, women in policing, and a history of the Terry v Ohio landmark court case. All told, the Bicentennial gave us a chance to reflect on the courage and sacrifice of so many, and the tradition, honor, and accomplishments that have been a hallmark of our history in Columbus.

It is inspiring to be a part of this progressive and trustworthy organization. We continue to build upon our principle of community-minded policing and have made great strides in bringing information and education to the people in our neighborhoods.

The Chief's Listening Tour was reformatted in 2016 from question and answer sessions to dialogue meetings with numerous tables set up for community members to engage directly with police personnel in small groups. The premise behind this format was to give community members and Columbus Police representatives an opportunity to share ideas and develop additional positive relationships while discussing concerns and perspectives. We learned about each other and our respective perspectives while discussing how the Division can be more responsive to citizens and how community members can help impact public safety and crime prevention.

A noteworthy endeavor of 2016 was the preparation for and implementation of body-worn cameras. Commander Strausbaugh and others within the Division dedicated many hours to this project and, in conjunction with City officials and various entities, successfully accomplished this goal by year's end.

The Division's Public Information Office continued to expand our efforts to highlight the Division through our social media channels. Video stories highlighting cases through the perspective of the detective were promoted through the Division's Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube pages. Many crimes were solved and suspects were identified and located through the community's interaction with the Division via the Internet.

In April, we lost one of our own when Officer Steve Smith was killed in the line of duty. With great sorrow, we recognized Steve for the ultimate sacrifice he gave. He will always be an inspiration to us all.



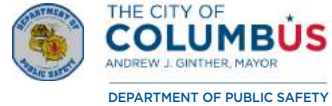
It is my humble privilege to lead one of the finest safety forces in this great country. We are committed to our community, to protecting life, and to being a positive force in this world. I am proud to present the Columbus Division of Police 2016 Annual Report, and I encourage everyone to read it or view it online at www.columbus.gov/police/. Through the report, you will see how we are in service with the purpose to protect, with the passion to persevere, and with the utmost pride in our performance.

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NED PETTUS JR.
DIRECTOR



As the newly appointed Director of Public Safety and on behalf of Mayor Andrew J. Ginther, I want to extend our thanks to the women and men of the Columbus Division of Police for performing their duties with excellence, and for keeping the residents of Columbus safe and secure. Since my background was in the fire service, I have had a rapid learning curve since my appointment in August. I appreciate the culture of cooperation and information-sharing that Chief Jacobs has fostered to ease my transition.

Once again, the City of Columbus was noted as being one of five major cities in the nation that did not have an increase in "Type 1" or violent crime this past year. This was while other cities experienced an increase in crime, along with the increased national attention and dialogue on law enforcement/community relations and civil unrest. While Columbus was not immune to these events, there were productive community outreach efforts conducted by the Division that minimized discord. The Columbus Division of Police is known for its community outreach, and I, as well as Chief Jacobs, held neighborhood events to continue the dialogue and listen to concerns from the community. There are over 30 community engagement and outreach programs sponsored by the Division of Police in collaboration with the Mayor's Office and the newly created Department of Neighborhoods, which furthers that dialogue.

The Division worked closely with the Department of Public Safety to implement, by year's end, the first phase of the Body Worn Cameras initiative. The 18 month process to get to that first phase included careful deliberation involving the community and academia, a lengthy vendor selection and purchasing process, and volunteers from the Division to test various types of cameras during a pilot project. There is still work to be done in seeking revisions to Ohio's public records law and development of Division policy as we move forward with the next phases of implementation.

This past year also saw the Division of Police celebrate 200 years of service to the residents of Columbus. Many active and retired officers came together at a very successful event sponsored by the Division in September to share stories and learn about the history of the Division.

On a sad note for the Division, it lost two active members during the last year. Officer Brad Forster succumbed to health issues while off duty, and SWAT Officer Steven Smith was tragically killed by a suspect during a standoff. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families. Both deaths demonstrate the dangers of the job and the toll it can take on officers and their loved ones.

I commend the men and women of the Division of Police for their great work and for continuing our mission to make Columbus an opportunity city AND the best community in the nation to live, work, and raise a family.

I look forward to your continuing good work!



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Organizational Overview



Division Command Staff as of December 31, 2016



**Deputy Chief
Thomas A. Quinlan**
Patrol North
Subdivision



**Deputy Chief
Kenneth J. Kuebler**
Patrol South
Subdivision



**Deputy Chief
Gary A. Dunlap**
Support Services
Subdivision



**Commander
Gary Cameron**
Zone One



**Commander
Mark Lang**
Zone Four



**Commander
Mark Gardner**
Zone Two



**Commander
Scott Hyland**
Zone Three



**Commander
Christopher Bowling**
Support Operations



**Commander
Alexander Behnen**
Communications



**Commander
Suzanne Curmode**
Strategic Response



**Commander
Robert Strausbaugh**
Zone Five



**Manager
Brad Seaholm**
Technical Services



**Manager
Susan Deskins**
Records Management

Promotions

SWORN

Sergeant Kyle Scholl	1/31/16
Sergeant Joseph Ritch	1/31/16
Sergeant Shaun Dillon	1/31/16
Sergeant Joseph Albert	1/31/16
Sergeant Christopher Lieb	3/13/16
Lieutenant Lowell Rector	4/24/16
Sergeant Greg Mackinnon	4/24/16
Sergeant Caroline Castro	6/5/16
Sergeant Frederick Brophy	6/5/16
Sergeant Stephen Carr	7/17/16
Sergeant Charles Waldenga	7/17/16
Sergeant Benjamin Messerly	7/17/16
Sergeant Dana Hess	8/28/16



CIVILIAN

PRTS Gwendolyn Perkins	1/3/16
Ofc Mgr Renee Hudson	4/24/16
FPTS Timothy Turos	5/22/16
MAI Erika Stanley	5/22/16
MAI Kelly Harrier	5/22/16
911 ECS Douglas Rensch II	6/5/16
911 ECS Larry Hicks	6/5/16
911 ECS Christopher Mayfield	6/5/16
911 ECS Natalie Hicks	6/5/16
CIA Jacalyn Chappellear	6/5/16
CIA Gabrielle Diciocio	6/19/16
MAI Richard Metheney	6/19/16
FPT Hannah Winkel	6/19/16
FPT Elizabeth McNinch	7/31/16
CA Paige Vedder	9/25/16
Polygraphist Randy Stonerock	12/4/16
FSII Andrea Jeffries	12/18/16



SWORN

Name	Rank	Entered	Retired	Years
Robert Viduya	Officer	12/23/90	1/1/16	25
James Davidson	Officer	12/23/90	1/4/16	25
Daniel Kane	Sergeant	9/3/89	1/4/16	26
Jeffrey Warbis	Sergeant	7/13/80	1/8/16	35
Chad Williams	Officer	12/18/94	1/8/16	21
Steven Gingery	Officer	10/21/79	1/10/16	36
Erik Stoddard	Officer	12/23/90	1/13/16	25
David Iarussi	Officer	5/10/81	1/15/16	34
Donald Sowards	Officer	1/2/71	1/15/16	45
Jerry Peters	Officer	10/4/87	1/15/16	28
Timothy McVey	Sergeant	11/18/84	1/15/16	31
David Clark	Sergeant	5/10/81	1/16/16	34
Bruce Townsley	Officer	10/28/90	1/16/16	25
Amy Morris	Officer	11/18/84	1/18/16	31
Bryan Planck	Officer	12/24/89	1/22/16	26
Edward Thomas**	Officer	9/6/98	1/27/16	17
William Miller, Jr.	Officer	6/14/87	2/11/16	28
Anthony Wilson	Sergeant	9/15/91	2/26/16	24
John Patton	Officer	5/27/90	3/1/16	25
Roderick Wittich	Lieutenant	3/14/82	3/21/16	34
Sandy Houpe	Officer	10/4/87	4/8/16	28
Steven M. Smith	Officer	12/11/88	4/10/16	27
Larry A. Brown, Jr.	Officer	9/15/91	4/11/16	24
John Witherspoon	Officer	12/11/88	4/29/16	27
Tracie Sowards	Sergeant	4/17/88	5/6/16	28
Loucius Hollis	Sergeant	5/10/81	5/19/16	35
John Warren	Officer	12/13/87	6/6/16	28
William Burke	Officer	12/24/89	6/7/16	26
Christ Holzhauser	Sergeant	10/4/87	6/16/16	28
Richard Hogue	Sergeant	5/27/90	6/17/16	26
Ronald Custer	Officer	5/22/83	6/18/16	33
Kareem Kashmiry**	Officer	12/10/00	6/23/16	15
Joan Schlabach	Sergeant	5/27/90	7/15/16	26
Julie Leach**	Officer	5/16/99	7/30/16	17
Jennifer Benson	Officer	6/14/87	8/5/16	29
Larry Turner	Officer	10/28/90	8/12/16	25
Mary Battle**	Officer	5/21/95	8/14/16	21
Gary Rundio	Officer	11/18/84	9/8/16	32
Thomas SeEVERS	Officer	12/13/87	9/9/16	28
Michael Perrigo	Officer	12/11/88	10/21/16	27

** Disability Retirement

CIVILIAN

NAME	CLASSIFICATION	ENTERED	RETIRED	YEARS
Kathane Holland	PCT	8/9/87	1/29/16	28
Richard Plageman	VII	6/1/97	3/25/16	18
Pamela Kimbrough	PCTS	6/1/86	5/31/16	30
Diana Gibson	PCTS	10/16/88	5/31/16	27
Vicky Crawford	PCTS	6/1/86	5/31/16	30
George Ames	VII	3/4/91	7/1/16	25
Douglas Wells	Polygraphist	6/14/05	7/7/16	11
Kim Coblentz	PPC	5/9/82	7/31/16	34
Belinda Kerschner	PRT	8/11/96	9/1/16	30
Betty Dolder	PCT	10/5/86	9/30/16	30
Pamela Carruthers	OAll	9/27/92	11/30/16	24
Mark Hardy	FSIII	7/18/82	11/30/16	34
Cathy Disantis	FAII	7/2/95	12/17/16	21



On January 8, 2016, Sergeant Jeff Warbis retired from the Division after 35 and a half years of faithful service. Sergeant Warbis was a career Zone 3 Patrol officer and supervisor. Besides a legacy of loyal leadership to his 15 Precinct personnel and bleeding CPD blue, the hard work performed by Sergeant Warbis on behalf of the Marine Park Unit paid off even after his departure. After years of advocating for improvements to the Marine Park boat house and older boat fleet, capital funding was approved during 2016 to move forward with these two important upgrade projects. It is anticipated that a new boat house will be constructed to house a new fleet of boats during 2017.



Division Awards



The **Medal of Valor** is the most distinguished award presented at the discretion of the Chief of Police to any active police officer or reserve officer for an act of outstanding valor. The nominee must have demonstrated, in great degree, the qualities of selflessness, personal courage and devotion to duty.



The **Silver Cross** is presented at the discretion of the Chief of Police to any active officer or reserve officer who demonstrated an act of courage during a dangerous situation and acted in an exemplary manner well above the duties normally expected of an officer and under a substantial risk of serious personal harm.



The **Badge of Honor** is awarded posthumously by the Chief of Police to any active sworn officer who is killed or died while in the act of performing his or her duties and under honorable circumstances.



The **Purple Heart** is awarded to any active Division personnel or reserve officer who, while in the performance of duty, sustained a serious injury as a result of an intentional criminal assault such as a shooting, stabbing, or bludgeoning; or who was the victim of an intentional criminal assault, but due to the use of Division-issued protective equipment did not sustain injuries that would constitute serious physical harm.



The **Distinguished Service Medal** is awarded to an active police officer or reserve officer who performed an act in the line of duty at a risk of personal harm to him or herself. The act must have been performed under complicated or hazardous conditions, during which the officer used excellent judgment in accomplishing a specific police mission.



The **Medal of Merit** is awarded to Division personnel who demonstrate a high degree of personal initiative; perform substantially above normal requirements in an exemplary manner; contribute significantly to the achievement of law enforcement goals; have been awarded five prior Special Commendations; or perform an act which results in the preservation of human life with a significant risk of personal harm.



The **Blue Star** is awarded to active Division personnel and reserve officers who have sustained a serious injury while in the performance of duty, but which does not meet the standard for the Purple Heart Award, or who died under honorable conditions as a result of natural causes or a traffic crash.

Division Chaplains



Rabbi
Harold Berman



Pastor
John Boston II



Father
Leo Connolly



Pastor
Eric Cuenin



Pastor
John Hackworth



Reverend
William Hartfelter



Bishop
Roy Lisath



Father
Kevin Lutz



Doctor
David Mabry



Pastor
Timothy Womack

Medal Recipients

Medal Of Valor

Matthew Carroll

Brian Carter

Keith Kise

Steven M. Smith

David Thivener

Silver Cross

Ryan Mauck
Lt. Paul Ohl

Troy Palmer
Dennis Prestel

Jared Randall

Clayton Sommerkamp

Bret Woodyard

Badge of Honor

Steven M. Smith

Purple Heart

Anthony Johnson

Steven M. Smith

Distinguished Service Medal

JaQue Carter
Corey Champlin
Sgt. Richard Collier
Sean Connair

Christopher Davis
JC Hale
Nathaniel Harp
John Jones

Franklin Lucci
Douglas McClain
Debra Paxton
Jesse Perkins

Anthony Pray
Matthew Resatar
Sgt. Zachary Scott
Patrick Shrodes

Brian Smith
Robert Vass
Larry Whitman

Medal Of Merit

Jack Adkins
Adolph Adu-Owusu
Bradley Agerter (x2)
Destiny Antolec
Robert Beeson
Cmdr. Alex Behnen
Sgt. Steven Beine
Donavin Bell
Derek Blaine
Hostler Sarah Blanton-Miller
Cmdr. Greg Bodker
Larry Booth
Sgt. Chantay Boxill
Howard Brenner
Sgt. Isaac Bridges
Brett Britton
Aisha Broussard
Daniel Brown
Lawrence Brown
Sgt. Brian Bruce (x2)
Jason Burchinal
Samuel Burkholder
Christopher Cain
Jeffrey Cain
Michael Cameron
Sgt. Steven Carr
Brian Carter
Sgt. Gregory Casanova
Kevin Case
Sgt. Caroline Castro
Kurt Chapman
Samuel Chappell
Scott Clinger
Greg Colarich
Daniel Cole
Carlyle Coleman
Justin Coleman
Patrick Cooney
David Cornute
Carl Covey
Anthony Cox
Stephen Craig
Todd Cramblett

Dana Croom
Sgt. Joseph Curmode
Lonnie Daugherty
Shannon David
Donald Dawson
Amy Detweiler
Charles Distelhorst
Harry Dorsey
Andrew Drake
Shawn Dye
Samantha Edwards
David Eubanks
Ryan Evans
Duffy Everhart
Eric Everhart
Darrell Fenske
Patrick Fletcher
Sgt. Robert Forsythe
Andrew Francis
William Frease
Mautez Fulton
Sgt. James Fuqua
Bryce Garlock
David Garner
Larry Gauthney
Jeffrey Gearhart
Sgt. Jonathan Gilles
Sgt. Heath Gillespie
Frank Golden
Craig Goodman
Rufus Goodwin
James Gravett
Sgt. Kenneth Griffis
Adam Groves
Shawn Gruber
Raymond Guman
Jason Gunther
Timothy Halbakken
Kevin Halbur
Lt. Aimee Haley
Lt. John Harris
Sgt. Dana Hess

Jordan Hilgenberg
Amanda Hill
Michael Hinkle
Sgt. Ty Hollis
Christopher Hostettler
Sgt. Eric Houser
Shane Howard
Joel Huffman
Michael Huffman
Stephen Hunter
James Ingles
Phillip Jackson
Samuel James
Jeremy Jefferson
Anthony Johnson
Jonathan Johnson
Marc Johnson
Robert Johnson
Dion Jones
Sgt. Michael Kegley
Kevin Kelley
Garrett Kennedy
Darrel Kerns
Richard Kindler
Alex Kistner
Charles Kneeland
Sgt. Nicholas Konves
Ryan Krichbaum
Lt. William Laff
Dredrick Lane
Cmdr. Mark Lang
David LaRoche
Gary Leister
Benjamin Leppla
Sgt. Timothy Lewis
Richard Little
James Long
Sgt. Duane Mabry
Jennifer Mancini
Joanna Mannon
Robert Martin III
Bryan Maselli

Bryan Mason
Sgt. Stephen Mason
Matthew McDaniel
Ryan McKee
Kelly Melvin
Gregory Meyer
Todd Meyers
Joseph Morgan
Matthew Msrnik
James Murawski
Jeff Neely
Lt. Christine Nemchev
Rodger Nolan Jr.
James Null
Barry O'Dell
Melissa Pagnanelli
Tracey Panek
Gary Patterson
Jesse Perkins
Jeremy Phalen
William Phillips
Sgt. Daniel Pickrell
James Poole
Austin Przymierski
Logan Ramsier
Jared Randall
Robert Reffitt
Randolph Rich
Eric Richards
Christopher Riley
Anthony Roberts
Andrew Rogerson
Ryan Rosser (x2)
Joseph Salsgiver
Dan Schlaegel
Kevin Schoppert
Nathan Schwartz
Anthony Sebastiano
Michael Secrest (x2)
Joshua Seymour
Sgt. Patrick Shaffer
John Shoopman

Aaron Shotwell
Sandra Silva
Sgt. Kevin Singleton
Sgt. Donald Smith
Jeremy Smith
Sgt. Michael B. Smith
Lowell Smittle
Daniel Snyder
Clayton Sommercamp
Allan Sorensen
Wallace Sprague III
Theodore Stacy
Andrew Stamer
Ryan Steele
Samuel Streng
Bryon Stumph
Sgt. Andre Tate
Brian Thatcher (x2)
Wendell Tolber
Travis Turner
Robert Vass
Patrick Vehr
Jeffery Vozar
Sgt. Frank Wasko
Joshua Watson
Sgt. Daniel Weaver
Lt. Paul Weiner
John Whitacre
Enoch White
Lt. Steven Wilkinson
Rhonda Williams (x2)
Brian Wilson
Timothy Windon
Sgt. Keith Winn
Ryan Wise
D/C Michael Woods
Adam Worthington
Sgt. Sean Wyke
Daniel Yandrich
Dianne Yandrich
Kevin Yankovich
Ronald Zaleski

Blue Star

William Beard
Deanna Brewer

Mark Cormany
Justin Frisco

Keith Kise
Timothy MacLellan

Jeffrey Mooney
Brandon Petry

Robert Reffitt

Division Highlights



Beginning in July, the Division hosted **community meetings** at various recreation centers across the City, one on each of the five Patrol Zones, to facilitate conversations with the citizens about what is going on in their neighborhoods. The police and the community continue to work together to decrease crime by targeting hot spots and zeroing in on crimes that are specific to each neighborhood.



The City of Columbus has not been immune to the effects of the fentanyl/**opioid overdose epidemic** that is sweeping the nation. In May, the Division partnered with the Columbus Division of Fire (CFD) on a six-month trial program to determine the efficiency and effectiveness of patrol officers deploying the overdose reversal drug known as **Naloxone/Narcan**. During the pilot program, officers on the 13th and 19th Precincts were trained to carry and administer Naloxone. These precincts were selected based on run data from CFD which demonstrated that 25% of all Naloxone administrations by

CFD occurred in these two precincts. No other precincts came close to the density or frequency of use. Medical advice for the program was provided and overseen by CFD's medical director Dr. David Keseg, M.D., who assured staff that delivering Naloxone was safe for both officers and patients. Shortly before the trial program, Ohio's laws were changed so that a wide-ranging set of people and occupations were allowed to carry and administer the drug, including law enforcement. Legal counsel was provided by the City Attorney's office to ensure that officers were civilly protected against lawsuits. With the medical and legal issues addressed, the Division pressed forward with the trial, evaluated the results, and made mid-program adjustments as necessary. The trial was overseen and managed by Commander Mark Gardner.

By every measure, the pilot program was a success. During the pilot phase, officers administered this life-saving drug 58 times, and all but one of those victims survived. Officer Edward Chung deployed the drug and

saved the lives of 11 individuals, resulting in him being recognized by The Ohio State University during a regular season football game in front of 100,000+ attendees. The Division received very positive feedback from the community and garnered positive news coverage. The officers' participation in the pilot program demonstrated their adherence to and respect for the Division's Core Values. Lives were saved. Second chances were given. Hope was provided to the families and loved ones of the overdose victims. The next steps for the Division are being finalized, and the Division plans to widen the program over the next six months in order to give even more officers the opportunity to save lives with this equipment and training.

Narcan Pilot Program

- 58 deployments with 57 surviving the overdose
- 25% of the officers assigned Naloxone had at least one deployment
- 56% of deployments were on second shift
- 52 of 58 deployments were to female victims
- 52 of 58 overdose victims were Caucasian
- Only 3 assigned doses were damaged or rendered unusable (5% loss rate)





In July of 2016, a group of 133 Division officers and supervisors volunteered to represent the Columbus Division of Police at the **Republican National Convention** (RNC) in Cleveland, Ohio. The group of volunteers completed a significant amount of mandatory classroom and hands-on training prior to the RNC on topics such as crowd control, munitions, and field force deployment. However, in the time leading up to the event, the mission became more complicated as officers around the nation were being ambushed, attacked, and even murdered.



while working extremely long hours in hot temperatures and difficult environments. The officers performed in an exemplary manner, winning over both the citizens and protestors in Cleveland for the event, and putting aside concerns of sniper attacks and open-carry weapons to fulfill the mission of achieving a peaceful convention.

Throughout the event, CPD bike officers worked alongside bike officers from Cleveland, Ft. Worth, Akron, and Blue Ash Police Departments to handle the majority of protests during the weeklong RNC. The bike units were so effective that by Wednesday of the convention, protest groups announced they were leaving town and heading to Philadelphia, site of the 2016 Democratic National Convention, due to the large presence of police, particularly the bikes. CPD bike officers were regularly stopped by peers from across the country during the week, who informed them how effective and impressive the bikes were. This experience gave the Division an opportunity to exemplify why its bike officers are the premier bike officers in the country.



As the officers gathered for the first of several roll calls once they arrived in Cleveland, they received news that several officers had been wounded or killed in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Despite this horrific news, every officer in attendance from across the country demonstrated professionalism

The Bicycle Coordination Unit (BCU) had the opportunity to see the culmination of the previous five years' of training and experience come to fruition through its participation at the RNC. The BCU put **Division bike officers** through three days of extensive training in preparation for this national event. The Columbus Division of Police provided the second largest group of bikes at the RNC (Cleveland had the most) and was the group **with the most experience** and training upon arrival. The CPD bike officers' professionalism, extensive training, and preparation were all evident on the first day of the convention when a protest of around 5,000 participants marched through the streets of Cleveland with the platoon of Columbus bike officers taking the lead.





The Division again implemented its 13-week **Community Safety Initiative**

(CSI) during the summer from May 31st through August 27th. The CSI is an anti-violence program designed to improve neighborhood safety through proactive community policing, strategic crime analysis, and increased police visibility. The main goals include arresting persons who are responsible for violent crime, are illegally in possession of firearms, are selling narcotics, and who have outstanding warrants and a violent criminal history. Citizens and community leaders are one of the most important parts of this initiative and are encouraged to report suspicious or criminal behavior near their homes and in their neighborhoods.

The CSI was provided a \$750,000 budget, most of which was used to pay overtime for usually four extra officers to work on each of the five Patrol zones during the evening hours in conjunction with the Community Response Teams and Community Liaison Officers. During the 13-week initiative, the officers made 10,658 citizen contacts and 402 felony arrests; recovered 87 firearms and 9,490g of narcotics; served 878 warrants; and seized over \$190,000 in cash. The CSI officers were assigned to their normal patrol zone and focused on the issues that affected their citizens. The Division used restricted duty personnel to staff a

temporary Real Time Crime Center and provide assistance to the officers by giving them information on individuals and situations.



Columbus' citizens and businesses showed their appreciation to the Division throughout the year in various ways. Whether it involved the delivery of approximately 21 dozen donuts by a west side resident and her three-year old son, the donation of 1,200 City BBQ meals delivered by an anonymous supporter, or the numerous emails, letters, pictures, candy, cookies, and **words of support for Division personnel** during interactions, these gestures were appreciated by the officers. In light of all the negative commentary and deadly actions against law enforcement officers occurring across the country, these gestures, both big and small, let officers know they are respected and valued by a majority of citizens, giving them the impetus to go out and do their job every day.



The Training Academy hosted a **Mental Health Open House** on November 10th in the auditorium, where the Division's Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) leaders and 911 Dispatchers teamed up to educate social service providers and others in the community about how both groups can collaborate even more to improve outcomes. The number of incidents involving an individual with a mental health issue has been increasing each year, and the Division continues to provide CIT training to interested officers from within the Division and from other agencies within Franklin County.



In July during a Zone 2 Crime Strategy Meeting, Officer Tony Klette talked about a little 4-year-old boy named **Shane** who was being bullied by teenagers in his neighborhood because he loves the police and collects patches from police departments around the world. Shane has been diagnosed with a rare disease called Kawasaki Disease, has a brain tumor growing under his brain, rheumatoid arthritis in both legs, and autism.

Officers volunteered to help surprise Shane. They drove over to his home in a cruiser and when he came outside he had the biggest smile on his face! Shane and his siblings were given badge stickers and temporary tattoos, got inside of a cruiser in order to see its inner-workings, and turned on the lights and siren. In addition, the CPD chopper did a low fly-over and waved to Shane, and a Franklin County Sheriff's Office K-9 Unit stopped by to show support for Shane as well. In return, Shane hugged, thanked, and gave all of the officers a junior police badge sticker. It was **a great experience** and the Division's officers were grateful to be able to keep his love for law enforcement strong.





On August 12, 2016, the Chief and Deputy Chiefs engaged in a **“Tweetalong”** and featured the amazing work that Division personnel do each day. Tweet-alongs are popular social media campaigns used by police departments across the country to show citizens exactly what it is that law enforcement does every day. The Division’s Chief, Deputy Chiefs, and PIOs went out and took pictures, rode with officers, visited civilian units, and used the Division’s Twitter account to document just a small portion of the Division’s daily operations. All Division employees were encouraged to contribute to the campaign by taking pictures and forwarding them with brief descriptions to be posted to the Division’s Twitter account, @Columbuspolice.



On November 11, 2016, thousands of people **exercised** their **Constitutional Rights** Downtown and in the Short North district by **protesting** the presidential election. The Division personnel assigned to keep everyone safe, including people that live and work in the area, did a phenomenal job. The

participants exercised peacefully, and the group’s leaders listened to the Incident Commander’s instructions. The experience that Division personnel have in dealing with large crowds is important, and officers exhibit patience and professionalism when events like this occur. The protests/marches and the associated challenges, whether they are about politics, verdicts, or anti-police protests never stop and are constantly evolving, as is the Division.



The Columbus Police Foundation (CPF) was created to ensure that the men and women who protect our community are able to successfully do their work and stay connected to the people they serve. The CPF is an independent, non-profit, charitable organization dedicated to fostering public safety through community building, education, and outreach. With financial donations from businesses, individuals, corporations, and foundations, the CPF can help strengthen the effectiveness of the members of the Division of Police by building a stronger, better-equipped, more highly trained police presence and by supporting police/community engagement activities and opportunities.

In 2016, the CPF supported the second annual trip to Washington, D.C. and the U.S. Holocaust Museum and Memorial for over 50 Division employees by providing a chartered bus for the employees to participate in a guided tour and the Museum’s “Lessons from the Holocaust” course. The CPF also sponsored food for five Connecting Columbus Community Dialogue sessions at local recreation centers, so community

members and Division personnel could break bread and engage in conversation with the purpose to better understand each other. Additionally, officers used tourniquets provided by the CPF to save lives in 2016. The CPF continued its support of the Law Enforcement United memorial bike ride by Columbus officers, and provided materials and food for Summer Safety Youth Camps and the Division’s recruiting efforts at career job expos at the Training Academy.



In addition to being CALEA-accredited, the Division also went through the process to become **certified** in Ohio through the Ohio Collaborative Community-Police Advisory Board, which has implemented state standards on various performance measures to hold law enforcement agencies accountable and promote greater confidence in law enforcement among their citizens. Accreditation Section Lieutenant Aimee Haley and her staff submitted the application and conducted the self-assessment, compiling the proofs of compliance with the **standards established by the Ohio Collaborative** to date and submitting them for review to the Office of Criminal Justice Services, the agency selected to review the documentation for standards compliance. Lt. Haley also participated in an on-site interview with an Ohio Collaborative assessor to verify compliance, answer additional questions, and provide direct observation of procedures if necessary. The Division was awarded certification through the Ohio Collaborative in November of 2016.





In December, the Ohio State Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) recognized six CPD officers for their individual OVI enforcement efforts. These officers are assigned to both patrol and traffic assignments and have amassed a total of nearly **200 OVI arrests** this year in addition to their numerous other duties. Officer Brian Elrod (Zone 3 EMW) was recognized as this year's "Top Cop" award recipient for his efforts.



A WEEK IN THE LIFE... In addition to the 1,850 police officers, the Division also employs over 350 civilians. In the week prior to National Police Week (May 15th), the Division did special Facebook postings highlighting some of the civilian units and the work that they do that is vital to the Division and shows why **civilians are an integral** part of CPD. Civilian personnel perform support functions for the patrol and investigative units.

- Evidence Technicians process scenes by collecting fingerprints and other latent evidence.
- Human Resources Bureau personnel ensure that payroll, job postings, transfers, and other HR functions are completed.

- Property Management Section personnel assist with the submission and cataloging of property by officers at the Property Room, as well as the tracking of vehicles taken to the Impound Lot.
- Records Management Bureau personnel run checks on individuals for warrants and help determine the real identity of suspects and persons of interest.
- Print Shop personnel print and help create posters, brochures, reports, and business cards for officers to distribute.
- Photo Lab personnel process the crime scene photos, take pictures during events, and, in conjunction with the Print Shop, process video surveillance recordings for detectives.
- Other civilian classifications transcribe interview tapes, handle the scheduling and use of the Training Academy facility, and generally keep offices operating smoothly.



In November, Division personnel met George at one of the Division's community meetings. **George** is being raised by his 90-year-old great, great, great grandmother and is a 5th grader, excelling despite many odds. Many individuals and organizations in central Ohio joined the Division in making his Christmas a little brighter as he was surprised with gifts. The **Division was inspired** by this violin-playing, well-mannered kid!



While most of the citizens of Columbus see the **police officers** patrolling their neighborhood only as police officers, every officer is unique and brings different life experiences with them to work every day. The police officers patrolling the streets and working in the other units around the Division are fathers, mothers, wives, husbands, sons, daughters, and civic-minded **members of our community**. Behind every number and statistic contained within this annual report is a police officer who performed his or her job. Without the men and women patrolling the streets, no crime would be solved, no arrest would be made, and no lives would be saved.

The contribution of the officers doesn't end there because almost every police officer within the Division of Police serves the community in one way or another when NOT working.

Officers volunteer their time in the community in a variety of ways to make a difference, including:

- Coaches for all kinds of sports at different levels
- Church volunteers
- Make-a-Wish
- Blood donors
- Friendship Program volunteer (Franklin County Children's Services)
- Presentations to schools and colleges
- Civil Air Patrol
- Military reserve
- Special Olympics
- Down Syndrome Association
- Neighborhood homeowner associations and block watches
- Marathon/Race participants to raise funds for various causes
- PTO members
- Cub/Boy/Girl Scout leaders

In Remembrance



The Division lost **Officer Brad Forster**, an 8-1/2 year veteran, unexpectedly on March 24, 2016. Brad joined the Division as a member of the 112th Recruit Class in December of 2007. The majority of his career was spent on 8 Precinct on the city's west side. He served with integrity, honor, and dedication. He made friends easily, was highly respected by his coworkers, and will be missed.

On April 9, 2016, **SWAT Officer Steve Smith** was shot during an early morning barricade situation at 14 W. California Avenue. Officer Smith was in the SWAT bearcat when he was fired upon by a wanted felon suspect and sustained a bullet injury. Officer Smith was evacuated from the scene through the heroic actions of Division and CFD personnel and transported to OSU Hospital.



On April 12th, Officer Smith succumbed to his injuries while in the hospital, surrounded by his loving family. His legacy will live on through organ donation and he is remembered for his 27 years of service to the Columbus Division of Police on the ground, in the air, and in the water. He served in Patrol, the Strategic Response Bureau, the Helicopter Unit, the In/Tac Unit, SWAT, and the Dive Team.

Support flooded in from all over the city and country, and the appreciation for our brave personnel was made clear. Personnel working in Central Headquarters heard and observed a citizen who drove up and got out of his vehicle and played "Taps" in front of the building before re-entering his vehicle and driving away. It was a beautiful tribute honoring Officer Smith and moved the officers who witnessed it. In addition to officers from across the country attending, the funeral service was covered by the media and thousands of people across the country and beyond, including Dubai, viewed the funeral service for Officer Steven Smith on the City's website.

The suspect from the incident was apprehended by SWAT, and the Franklin County Prosecutor filed an eleven-count death penalty indictment against him for the death of Officer Smith and the attempted murder of four other SWAT officers.

Officer Steve Smith was posthumously awarded the Division's Medal of Valor, Badge of Honor, and Purple Heart, which were presented to his family at the May Awards Ceremony. His name has also been added to the Columbus Police Memorial wall.



Final Roll Call

Retired Officer Donald Lowery.....	January 2, 2016
Retired Officer Harry Chadwick.....	January 2, 2016
Retired Officer George Curry Jr.	January 9, 2016
Retired Sergeant Arthur Dean.....	January 12, 2016
Retired Officer Clarence Ward	January 11, 2016
Retired Officer Loren G. Kerr.....	January 21, 2016
Retired Officer James Graham.....	February 23, 2016
Officer Brad Forster.....	March 24, 2016
Retired Officer Olander Parks.....	March 28, 2016
Retired Officer Steven M. Smith	April 12, 2016
Retired Lieutenant John L. Tilley.....	April 26, 2016
Retired Admin Secy Marilyn Timcoe	May 17, 2016
Retired Officer Evelyn Anderson	May 23, 2016
Retired TCI1 Virginia Daugherty.....	May 25, 2016
Former Officer James Horn.....	July 11, 2016
Retired PRT Barbara Breckenridge.....	August 4, 2016
Retired Officer Laura (Burgstaller) Stamper.....	August 12, 2016
Retired Officer Kimberlee Malone.....	August 14, 2016
Retired Officer William Chappellear III.....	August 20, 2016
Retired Sergeant John Taylor.....	August 21, 2016
Former PPC Cheryl Stover	September 2, 2016
Former Officer Rick Shantery.....	September 8, 2016
Retired Commander Frank Phillips.....	September 17, 2016
Retired PCT Robert Davis.....	September 19, 2016
Retired Officer Jeffrey Jordan.....	September 24, 2016
Retired Sergeant Carl Clark.....	October 1, 2016
Former Officer Stephen Franchini	October 8, 2016
Retired Officer James Edbrooke.....	October 24, 2016
Retired Officer Michael Perrigo	October 29, 2016
Retired Officer Jack Wilson.....	November 11, 2016
Retired Reserve Officer James Badgley, Sr.....	November 12, 2016
Retired Officer Gerald Sayers.....	November 16, 2016
Retired Officer Marvin Rapenport	November 24, 2016
Retired Sergeant Clyde Hinton.....	November 27, 2016

Line of Duty Deaths

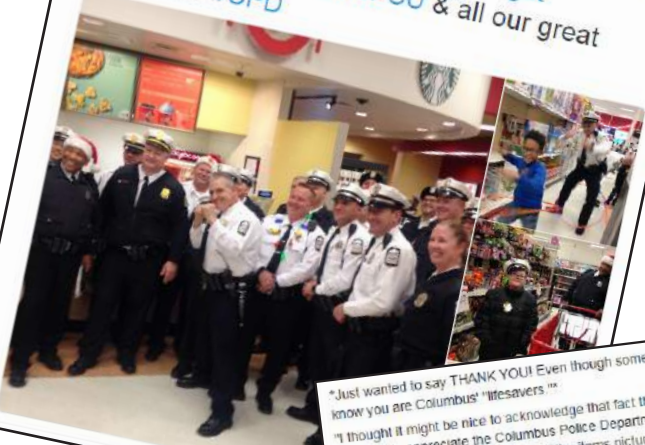
Patrolman Cyrus Beebe.....	April 27, 1854	Patrolman Curtis L. Staton.....	March 22, 1972
Officer John Manning.....	November 17, 1888	Patrolman Joseph "Andy" Edwards.....	August 28, 1972
Detective Abe Kleeman.....	September 15, 1899	Sergeant Dale W. McCann.....	June 7, 1974
Patrolman Daniel Davis.....	June 7, 1908	Officer Roger L. Brown.....	August 11, 1976
Patrolman Harry E. Campbell.....	December 24, 1908	Officer Michael J. Smith.....	August 11, 1976
Patrolman Frank P. Ward.....	June 9, 1911	Officer Martin W. Yawarsky.....	September 6, 1980
Patrolman William Sexton.....	March 25, 1913	Officer Gordon J. Rich.....	April 5, 1986
Patrolman Joseph Lavender.....	June 26, 1913	Officer Richard Fickeisen.....	June 1, 1987
Patrolman James Ballard.....	November 9, 1914	Officer Jane E. Thompson-Bowman.....	March 9, 1989
Patrolman John Laufhutte.....	August 22, 1916	Officer Robin Nye.....	January 4, 1991
Detective William Rourke.....	November 24, 1917	Officer Raymond E. Radel.....	April 25, 1991
Patrolman David L. Jenkins.....	February 8, 1919	Officer Chris E. Clites.....	December 10, 1993
Patrolman Adolph G. Schneider.....	September 23, 1920	Sergeant Marc Muncy.....	April 5, 1995
Detective Charles E. Tiller.....	October 28, 1920	Officer Keith L. Evans.....	July 9, 1995
Patrolman Jesse Reall.....	February 26, 1921	Lieutenant Christopher N. Claypool.....	April 29, 2001
Patrolman Granston P. Koehler.....	November 28, 1922	Officer Melissa Foster.....	December 4, 2004
Patrolman Troy C. Stewart.....	April 22, 1924	Officer Bryan Hurst.....	January 6, 2005
Patrolman Harry E. Shaffer.....	March 29, 1925	Officer Thomas R. Hayes.....	January 20, 2011
Detective Walter O. Womeldorf.....	May 29, 1925	Officer Steven M. Smith.....	April 12, 2016
Patrolman William Sweinsberger.....	January 7, 1926		
Patrolman Horace D. Elliott.....	March 29, 1927		
Patrolman Thomas Day.....	July 7, 1931		
Patrolman Leslie Green.....	October 4, 1931		
Patrolman Ross Porter.....	July 23, 1934		
Patrolman Edward J. Murphy.....	May 11, 1935		
Chief Frederick Kundts.....	March 22, 1936		
Patrolman John P. Sears.....	November 30, 1936		
Detective Robert R. Cline.....	February 5, 1938		
Patrolman Campbell K. Jenkins.....	January 9, 1939		
Patrolman John M. McCullough.....	January 18, 1942		
Patrolman Thomas E. Webb.....	August 17, 1956		
Patrolman Richard E. Taylor.....	January 19, 1963		
Lieutenant Allen E. Fraley.....	November 6, 1964		
Patrolman Robert F. Lisska.....	May 26, 1965		
Patrolman Daniel Alfred Redding.....	July 27, 1965		
Patrolman William G. Wells.....	December 21, 1965		
Auxillary Officer Lawrence V. Kipfinger.....	October 13, 1969		



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What a fun night for all! 29 kids got to shop w/a cop thru #heroesandhelpers @Target Graceland. Thx @CMEFCU & all our great sponsors! #CPD

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Columbus Division of Police added 4 new photos — at Chief James G. Jackson Columbus Police Academy.
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FAMILY: There's nothing like it. These 35 police officers who graduated yesterday relied on their families for support to make it through 29 weeks at the Academy & have a new law enforcement family for even more support. Congrats as you start your first shifts this weekend! #CPD #126th



*Just wanted to say THANK YOU! Even though some days may "suck" we know you are Columbus "lifesavers" 🙏
"I thought it might be nice to acknowledge that fact that many people in the community appreciate the Columbus Police Department. Saturday, 7/9/16, several different groups dropped off the items pictured (suckers, Life Savers Minis) at 19 Sub (Patrol South/Zone 3) to show their appreciation for the Columbus Division of Police," said Sgt. Kevin Singleton.
*Thank you Sarge for sharing & thank you CPD supporters!
#TogetherisBetter



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Officer Daly gives citations to people in his neighborhood. He wants 2 be a police officer when he grows up. Great day 4 him & his friends!

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SUPER SUNDAY! 4-year-old Shane saw Officer Bey & Officer Dillie walk into Thornton's on S. Hamilton Rd. last night and came up to them & gave them a badge sticker. He made sure they put it on too! Shane then bought each 🍪🍪🍪! The officers talked with him for a few minutes & then Shane's parents let him come out to the wagon so he & his brother could sit inside and talk to them over the intercom. Shhhh... they even played with the lights! Shane's mom tells us he's autistic... we just see a 4-year-old future CPD officer! 🍪🍪🍪❤️

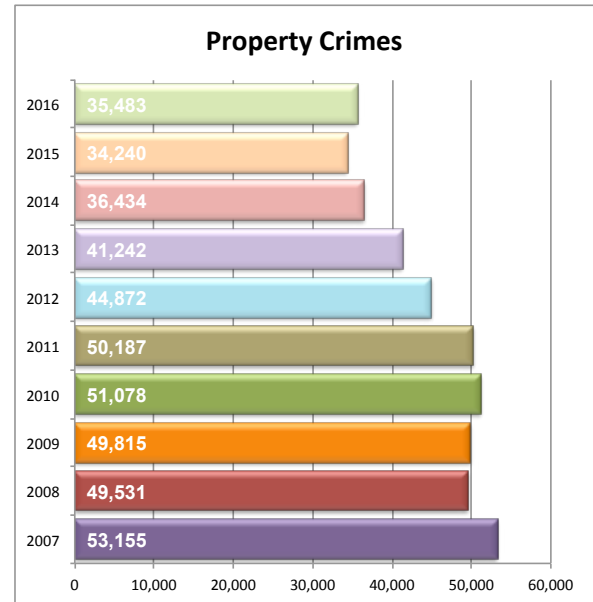
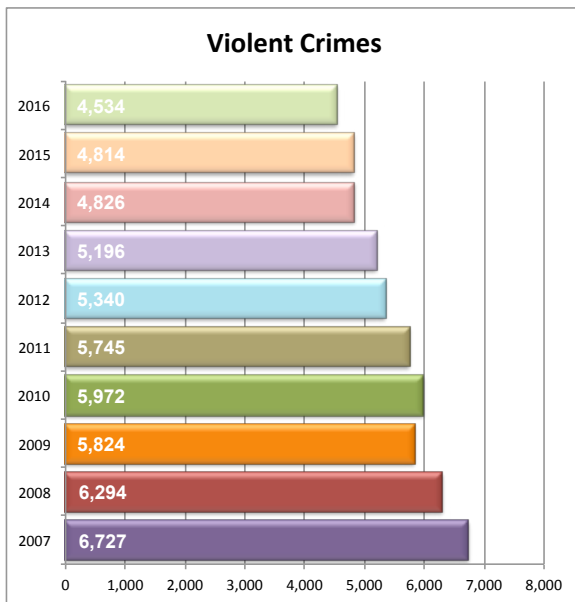


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HAPPY BDAY LIAM! When we heard no one showed to Liam's birthday party last year, we made his 7th birthday one he'll never forget! FB 4 more

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Year	MORPC Estimated Population	Sworn Personnel	Sworn per 1,000 Pop.	Part I Violent Crimes	Part I Violent Crimes per 1,000 Pop.	Part I Property Crimes	Part I Property Crimes per 1,000 Pop.	Part I Arrests
2006	763,351	1,822	2.39	6,397	8.38	53,754		4,093
2007	768,804	1,819	2.37	6,727	8.75	53,155	69.14	3,729
2008	773,277	1,876	2.43	6,294	8.14	49,531	64.05	3,956
2009	776,463	1,873	2.41	5,824	7.50	49,815	64.16	3,306
2010	787,033	1,850	2.35	5,972	7.59	51,078	64.90	3,035
2011	792,225	1,858	2.35	5,745	7.25	50,187	63.35	2,805
2012	797,322	1,821	2.28	5,340	6.70	44,872	56.28	2,609
2013	805,348	1,848	2.29	5,196	6.45	41,242	51.21	2,571
2014	817,383	1,876	2.30	4,826	5.90	36,434	44.57	2,298
2015	829,690	1,846	2.22	4,814	5.80	34,240	41.27	2,180
2016	842,528	1,848	2.19	4,534	5.38	35,483	42.11	2,366

MORPC-Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission figures update for 2017

OIBRS-Ohio Incident Based Reporting System reported by Ohio's Office of Criminal Justice Services

OIBRS Part I Violent Crimes- Murder, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault

OIBRS Part I Property Crimes - Burglary, Motor Vehicle Thefts, Larceny/Theft

ARRESTS	2007*	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Part I Offenses	5,896	3,957	3,306	3,035	2,806	2,609	2,571	2,298	2,180	2,366
Part II/Traffic Offenses	9,403	26,979	26,571	19,028	21,450	23,951	23,279	21,179	19,669	20,414
Total	15,299	30,936	29,877	22,063	24,256	26,560	25,850	23,477	21,849	22,780

*Part II figures do not include Traffic Arrests because they were not entered into the electronic reporting system at that time.

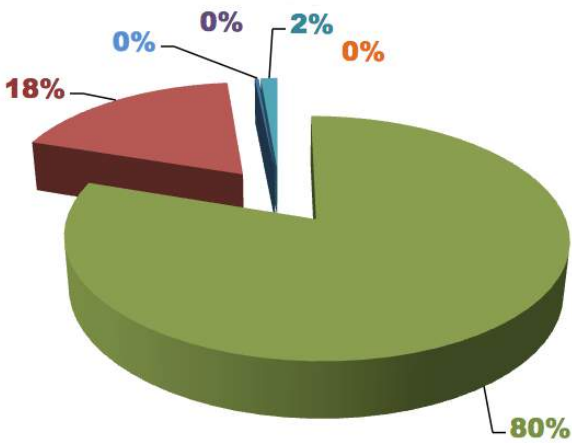
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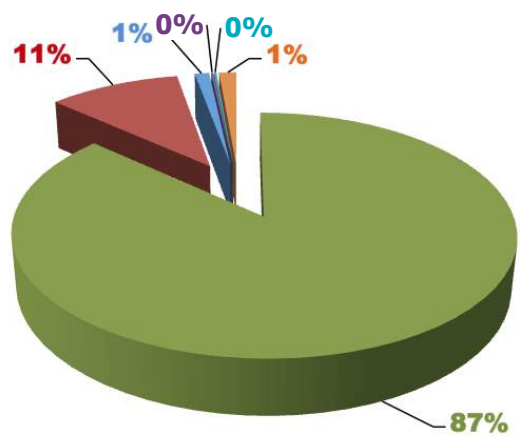
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Civilian Personnel



Sworn Personnel

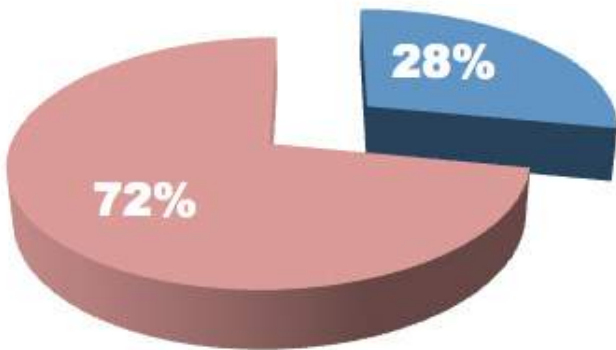
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- Other
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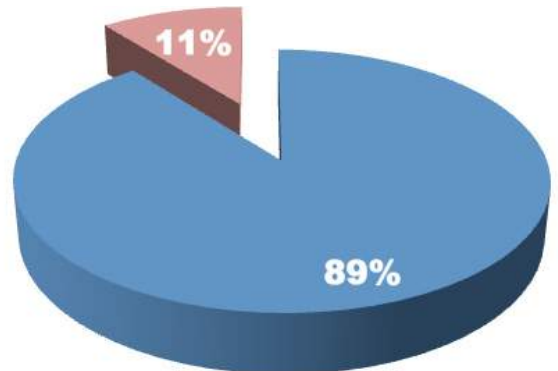
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Civilian Personnel

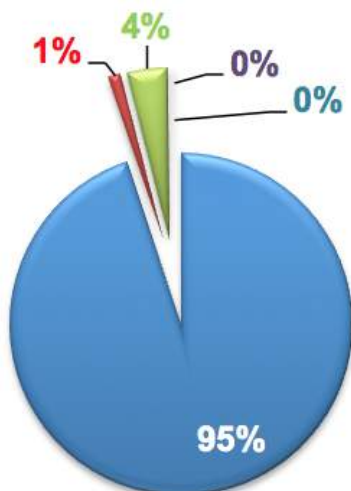
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Sworn Personnel

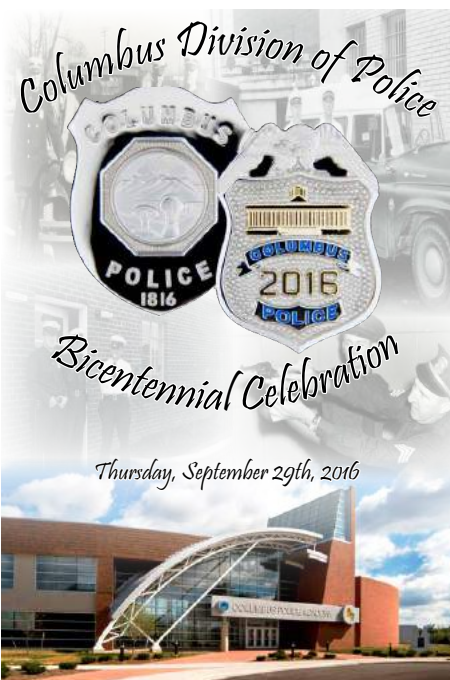


2016 Operating Budget (Actual)



- Personnel (\$290,406,394)
- Materials & Supplies (\$3,563,571)
- Services (\$11,543,377)
- Other Disbursements (\$469,769)
- Transfers (\$8,835)

Division Bicentennial



The Columbus Division of Police was first formed as the City's police agency on February 10, 1816. The Division celebrated its **200th Anniversary** throughout 2016 with numerous scheduled functions and celebratory events. Chief Jacobs allowed officers to wear a commemorative badge, which was designed to resemble the Division's original badge, in place of the current badge if the officers purchased one. Hopefully, Columbus citizens who saw these symbols of the Division's history will reflect on the proud tradition of community-minded service that Columbus police officers have been providing for two centuries.

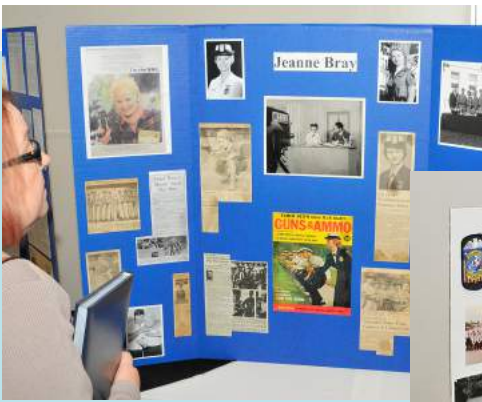
The Division hosted a **200th Anniversary celebration** at the James G. Jackson Training Academy on September 29, 2016. The Columbus Police Historical Committee, comprised of personnel from across the Division of all ranks and classifications, created a day-long program,

beginning with a video titled "Looking Back: A History of the Columbus Division of Police 1816-2016" and opening remarks by the Chief of Police. Attendees then viewed static displays, presentations on important historical events and/or groups, and demonstrations by specialty units, followed by some reminiscing. The gymnasium was transformed into a Hall of Honor recognizing all of the officers killed in the line of duty, as well as all of the recruit classes. It was standing-room only during the "Women in Policing" presentation. The retirees in attendance and their families were treated to lunch by the Columbus Police Foundation in the cafeteria where a display of historical police motorcycles and other memorabilia was showcased.



Former Director of Public Safety Mitchell J. Brown	Director of Public Safety Ned Pettus, Jr., PhD	Former Mayor Gregory S. Lashutka	Former Mayor Michael B. Coleman	Retired Chief Walter L. Distelzweig
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The 200th Anniversary celebration would not have been possible without the support of the Executive Staff, Department of Public Safety, Columbus Police Foundation, and the Citizens' Police Academy Alumni Association.

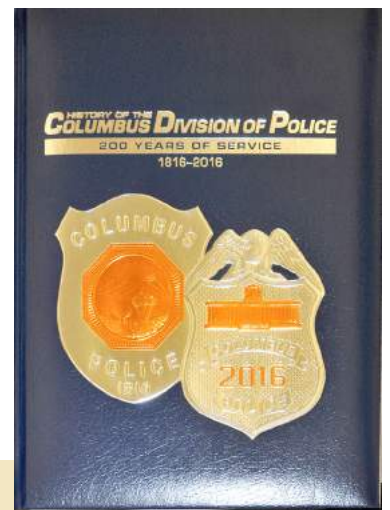


Retired Chief James G. Jackson

Retired Chief Earl Burden

Chief Kimberley K. Jacobs

Mayor Andrew J. Ginther



At the Annual Recognition Dinner in May, the Division premiered a video created by Sergeant Richard Collier, Officer Denise Ferguson, and PIO Denise Alex-Bouzounis that navigated the last 50 years of the Division through entertaining and educational interviews with three of its longest serving members: **Deputy Chief Antone Lanata** (retired), Lieutenant Karl Barth, and Senior Reserve Officer and former Reserve Colonel Rocco Eramo. The video helped to memorialize the dramatic changes in the Division over the last half century and the foundation that the Division has built upon to make it the great organization that it is today.



The Division published a **yearbook** highlighting the bicentennial. The Yearbook Committee gathered pictures and stories to highlight the Division's personnel and accomplishments over the past 200 years. Photo Lab personnel took photos of all the Division employees who wanted their photo featured in the yearbook. The yearbooks were sold to Division personnel as well as at the 200th Anniversary celebration, with proceeds benefitting the Division's Honor Guard.



In February 2016, the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) was selected to conduct a comprehensive review of the operations of the **Internal Affairs Bureau** to ensure practices were consistent with Division and City goals. PERF, founded as a nonprofit organization in 1976, is a police research and policy organization and a provider of management services, technical assistance, and executive-level education to support law enforcement agencies. PERF helps to improve the delivery of police services through the exercise of public debate of police and criminal justice issues, research, and policy development.

The IAB review placed an emphasis on the citizen complaint and investigative processes. Information was gained through a review of Division policies, procedures, and processes governing the investigation of citizen-initiated complaints and extensive on-site interviews and observations. PERF collected and analyzed case data for 2014 and 2015 with a goal of providing key policy and decision makers with objective feedback concerning the strengths and weaknesses of these processes, alignment with nationally recognized best practices, and recommendations for changes and improvements.

PERF found that the IAB utilizes a number of **progressive** policing practices. PERF specifically highlighted progressive practices that include the IAB's acceptance of complaints in any manner, includ-

PERF's assessment found the IAB, its investigators, and its call takers to be professional and committed to providing the highest levels of service to the citizens of Columbus.

ing phone calls, letters, emails, or in person. All cases are investigated to their conclusion, even if the complainant later wishes to withdraw his or her complaint. Anonymous complaints are accepted.

IAB's facilities are located off-site to help ensure that complainants will not find it intimidating to come to IAB to file a complaint or to be interviewed by investigators. The IAB facility was specifically located so that it is accessible by public transporta-

tion and in an area of the city that has a high level of police activity. IAB publishes a comprehensive annual report.

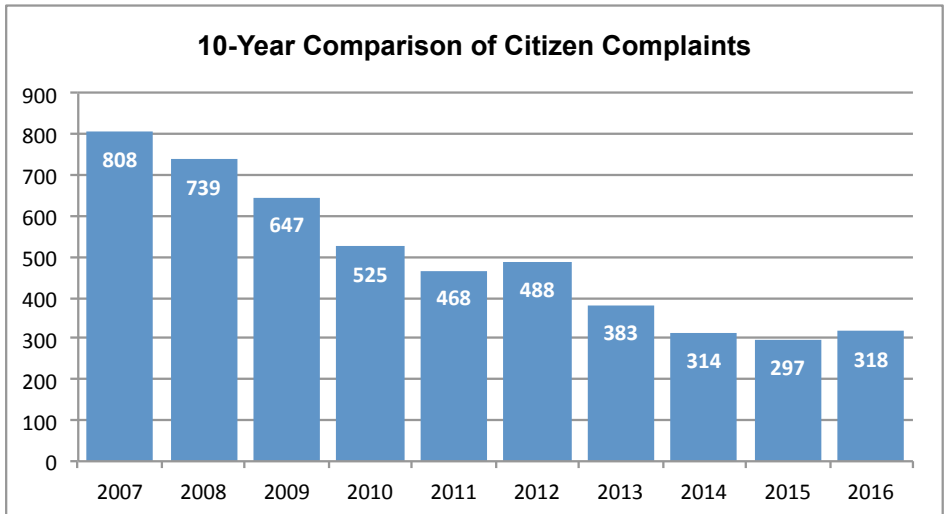
PERF identified several opportunities where the Division could improve upon the established progressive practices in the citizen complaint process. PERF recommended improving training opportunities for new investigators, continuing training for tenured investigators, reviewing definitions for investigative findings, and periodic auditing of intake calls by the Staff Inspections Section. The PERF review and subsequent recommendations were submitted to the Division in December 2016 and are currently being evaluated by the Chief of Police.

Most Frequent Type or Nature of Citizen Complaints

Actions Taken/Not Taken	112	17.5%
Rude/Discourteous Language/Actions	104	16.3%
Force	78	12.2%
Investigative Actions	64	10.0%
Search/Seizure	57	8.9%

These five categories represent 69.4% of all citizen complaint allegations received in 2016

10-Year Comparison of Citizen Complaints





The **Crime Laboratory** underwent a surveillance visit by the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors/ Laboratory Accreditation Board (ASCLD/LAB) International. A surveillance visit is an on-site inspection of an **accredited lab** to ensure that the laboratory continues to operate in conformance with the requirements of the accreditation program. Based upon the objective evidence reviewed during the visit, ASCLD/LAB concluded that the Division's Crime Laboratory continues to operate in accordance with accreditation standards.

The Crime Laboratory was awarded two grants in 2016 that will be used to continue the improvement of the laboratory. The DNA Backlog Reduction Act grant awarded the Crime Laboratory \$271,726.00, which will allow the purchase of additional DNA testing equipment, as well as supplies necessary for analysis. It will also provide funds for training Forensic Biologists. In addition, \$23,343.60 was awarded through the Coverdell National Forensic Science Improvement Act to be used for training Crime Laboratory analysts in other units.



The **Operation Victory** investigation started with Detective Brian Lacy researching a case on Facebook, where he viewed the page of someone who was selling hundreds of pieces of Victoria's Secret merchandise. The investigation revealed that two men were running the operation. An undercover officer purchased a purse that had not yet been distributed to the public. The purse was traced and found to be shipped from a business located near Rickenbacker Airport. Detectives were able to connect a cell phone number found in the phone of one suspect to the other suspect at the business who would put merchandise on pallets from companies like Victoria's Secret so it could be loaded onto planes for transport. The suspect from the business was observed carrying merchandise from the warehouse and then taking it to the other suspect's house. Several undercover sales were completed. As a result, search warrants were conducted at the suspects' residences and over \$24,000.00 worth of stolen merchandise was recovered. It is estimated that L-Brands, Coach, Hollister, Abercrombie & Fitch, Bath and Body Works, and Express

suffered losses of over \$75,000.00 due to the suspects' criminal enterprise.



A significant accomplishment this year was the improved working relationship between Patrol officers and the third shift **Property Crime Unit** detectives. Detectives attended roll calls for every precinct in the city, including evening mid-watch. The goal was for detectives in the unit to be more actively involved in assisting Patrol officers in conducting surveillance. For example, on 13 Precinct, third shift detectives assisted Patrol by targeting the high number of B&E crimes at carry-outs that were occurring overnight. Each night, carry-outs were selected and observed, and possible suspects were identified. The information compiled was forwarded to the Organized Crime Task Force for further investigation and the possible filing of racketeering charges.



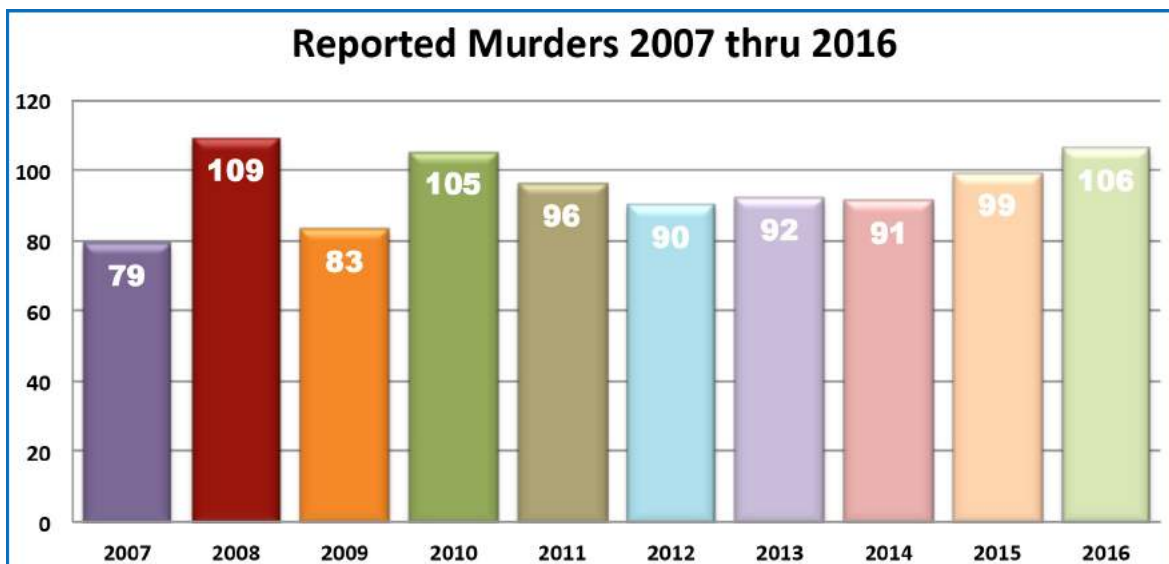


Detective Jeff Gubernath worked with detectives from the Union County Sheriff's Office, Delaware County Sheriff's Office, Hilliard Police Department, and Marysville Police Department on an investigation involving four suspects who were operating a **multi-jurisdictional theft ring** involving stolen trailers along with other stolen property. A Union County Grand Jury returned a 70 count indictment against the four suspects for Theft, Receiving Stolen Property, Breaking and Entering, Grand Theft, Theft from an Elderly Person, Vandalism, and Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity. The detectives were able to recover approximately \$28,000.00 worth of stolen property from various locations in the City of Columbus, Franklin County, Fairfield County, Pickaway County, Knox County, and Union County.



Criminals continued the trend of shoplifting from major retail stores throughout 2016. Convenience store owners take advantage of this criminal activity by buying the stolen merchandise and then dropping the prices when they sell it in their establishments. Since the shop owners purchase merchandise at such a reduced rate, they are able to expand and grow significantly, make huge profits compared to traditional, legally-operated stores. In addition to purchasing more stores, the store owners are making real estate investments to expand their financial enterprises.

The goal of the **Organized Retail Crime Task Force** is to investigate, arrest, and prosecute the owners/managers operating secondary markets and purchasing stolen merchandise. These owners were often found to also be involved in other criminal activity, such as Ohio EBT (Electronic Benefit Transfer), Ohio Direction Card fraud and money laundering. The task force causes the forfeiture of the business' merchandise, vehicles, monies, liquor permits, tobacco permits, WIC permits, EBT privileges, Ohio Direction Card privileges, and any vendor/store licenses.





The **Citizen's Police Academy (CPA)** is becoming a **leader within the United States**. In 2016, there were two classes with 28 graduating in June and 32 graduating in November. The length of the course was increased from 10 to 12 weeks. One of the additional weeks was titled "Alumni Week" and a new course was provided to all of the current class members, as well as previous Division CPA alumni and other agencies' CPAs. The subject matter was Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE). The following is a breakdown of the 69 CPAs who attended and their respective agency, which is significant as it demonstrates the impact the program has had statewide.

- Bexley PD – 2
- Columbus PD – 54
- Dublin PD – 4
- Hilliard PD – 1
- Powell PD – 2
- Rocky River PD – 1
- Solon PD – 2
- Upper Arlington PD – 2
- Worthington PD – 1



The **Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE)** class is led by Officer Larry Nelson, who instructed over 2,000 attendees in approximately 50 classes during 2016. Utilizing his expertise, he and Lieutenant Steve Wilkinson developed a one-day active shooter training scenario for officers that was held in September at the L-Brands warehouse on Morse Road. On-duty officers were dispatched to the location and provided simunition firearms and interacted with L-Brands employees who were used as role players. Officers from foreign agencies such as the Franklin County Sheriff's Office and Gahanna PD also took part in the training. There were two separate scenarios, and throughout the entire day **not one victim/by-stander was shot** with a simunition round...a successful day of training!



Jacob Day receives Police Officer of the Month for November 2016

The CPA had a website developed and created social media accounts for Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. The lead Training Bureau officers for the program are **Jacob Day**, Catherine Kirk, and Jim Rease who are working to bring the **2018 CPA National Conference** to Columbus.



One of the most **significant challenges** faced by the Recruit Training Unit is the continual increase in the OPOTC-mandated hours and a complex tapestry of regulations. Between 2013 and 2016, there was an increase of 113 hours (22.3%) in the number of OPOTC-mandated hours on specific topics. The Division had to increase the actual instruction hours that it provides by 40 to allow sufficient time to cover all of the material that it provides to the new recruits. In addition, the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission has mandated a higher number of in-service hours for veteran officers. Sworn Division personnel attend multiple phases of firearms training each year, in addition to defensive tactics training, and classroom training on topics such as legal updates, human trafficking, procedural justice, and implicit bias.

Learning from the past. Ret. DC Lanata educates the 126th recruit class on the history of @ColumbusPolice



Tim Becker
@DCTBecker

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Don't worry, the pictured recruits @ColumbusPolice are not out of step. We paused for a #MannequinChallenge at Broad and High



The 125th Recruit Class began on December 21, 2015, and graduated on July 8, 2016. The class began with 31 CPD recruits and 26 graduated. In addition, there were ten officers from outside agencies who started and graduated with the class. The outside agencies represented were Dublin, Grove City, Hilliard, New Albany, and Upper Arlington. The class average for the state certification exam given by the Ohio Police Officer Training Commission (OPOTC) was 90.13%.

The 126th Recruit Class began on June 20, 2016, and graduated January 6, 2017. The class began with 39 CPD recruits and 28 graduated. There were seven outside agency officers who began and graduated with the class from Dublin, Newark, and New Albany. The class average for the state certification exam given by the was 90.49%.

The 127th Recruit Class walked (ran) through the doors of the Training Academy on December 19, 2016. Recruit classes are comprised of approximately 30-35 recruits for the Division, and 10-15 recruits from other local law enforcement agencies, so that the total class size is approximately 50 individuals. The outside agencies pay the City for their recruits to attend basic training.





HR Analyst Amy Van Pelt was the 2016 National Public Employer Labor Relations Association (NPELRA) **Pacesetter Award recipient** for a program she developed that is an excellent example of an innovative solution to a difficult HR problem. Increasing the diversity in police forces is an on-going human resources challenge that stretches across our nation. This challenge is compounded by the relational issues that some communities have with public safety. In order to recruit from these communities, it is paramount to develop relationships at an early age. In the spring of 2015, that connection

was made with the Columbus Division of Police and Columbus City Schools.

Ms. Van Pelt took the lead on creating a “Bridge” program between the Division of Police and the Columbus Downtown High School. This high school is located in the heart of downtown and offers both academic and career-technical options to include public safety, which has approximately 40 to 50 students.

Ms. Van Pelt developed a program that would provide these students with essential information on job opportunities that could “bridge” the time between graduation and when they would become eligible to be a police officer. She coordinated speakers to coincide with the information being taught to the students. The school year program ended with a presentation by the Civil Service Commission to discuss how to set up an electronic profile in NEOGov and search for job opportunities.

This program was **very well received** by the students and administration and will be expanded in the future to include more community-based information, such as diversity in policing and women in policing. By developing a relationship with the Columbus City Schools, the Division can work to recruit diverse talent and allow these young adults to gain public safety experience while maintaining the background standards needed to pursue a career in law enforcement.



In 2016, the Division came in **under budget** due to savings in supplies and services and the transfer line offsetting the projected deficits in personnel and claims. The variance in personnel is offset by a portion of the transfer line which represents the budget authority for the 126nd and 127th recruit classes, as well as the community summer initiative. The surplus in services was due to fleet repairs that came in lower than budgeted. The surplus in supplies was the result of savings in helicopter fuel.



Homeland Security Subdivision



During 2016, the **Narcotics Bureau** seized over 22kg of heroin, 30kg of cocaine, 74kg of marijuana, and 651 marijuana plants in addition to narcotics seized by task force officers. Along with the narcotics, the bureau seized more than \$4.2 million in illegal drug trafficking proceeds. The bureau was **recognized nationally** by HSI/ICE for seizures amounting to \$3,526,576.33 in US currency, effecting 161 arrests, seizing 24 firearms, and conducting 228 narcotics seizures with a street value of over \$27 million.



Detective Patrick Shrodes responded to a reported meth lab explosion at a South Hampton Road residence and was able to determine that the explosion was not the result of a meth lab, but was in fact a **clandestine lab** being used to **make bombs/explosives**, specifically TATP. This determination changed the way the scene was processed, possibly saving the lives of other first responders. The two suspects claimed to be members of the Sovereign Citizens Movement, and one of the suspects sustained serious injuries in the blast. The residence ultimately burned to the ground.



An overdose incident led narcotics officers to a suspect who was selling Fentanyl-laced heroin. Detectives were able to gather enough information to charge the suspect with Involuntary Manslaughter, Corrupting Another with Drugs,

*In July, the Aviation Section received reaccreditation from the **Public Safety Aviation Accreditation Commission (PSAAC)**. Many months of work went into this project with Officer John Cooper heading up the efforts to prepare for the assessment, with significant contribution from Officer Roger Howard. The Division was recognized at the Airborne Law Enforcement Association's Annual Awards Ceremony in Savannah, GA.*



and Drug Trafficking. Detectives seized 16gm of heroin, 128 pills, 1,040gm of methadone, and one firearm. This was the first case where CPD detectives were **able to charge** a trafficker with Involuntary **Manslaughter** for the overdose death of another. Unfortunately, another case with 14 overdoses led to the arrest of a different suspect who was charged with the same offenses.



Detective Mitchell Seckman assisted the United States Attorney's Office in the **federal prosecution** of the **Short North Posse** members. The federal trials for all of the suspects concluded in December 2016 with all prosecuted members being convicted. This investigation resulted in 19 of the 20 defendants being convicted (one died prior to trial) on 31 total murder counts; 13 previously unsolved homicide cases being closed; six



The Vice Section, as part of an effort to address the demand side of prostitution, conducted four sting operations on Zone 3, each lasting two days to target prostitutes and their customers. These operations were a joint effort by Vice, Zone 3 Patrol officers, ID Section personnel, the Municipal Clerk of Courts, Franklin County Corrections, and the Salvation Army. There were 265 prostitution-related arrests involving 178 females and 87 males, as well as arrests for narcotics, felony warrants, and firearms.

The Division's Vice Section is responsible for maintaining a **Nuisance Abatement Group** (NAG), which is comprised of personnel from the Columbus Division of Fire, Columbus Department of Health, Ohio Investigative Unit, Columbus Code Enforcement, and Columbus Licensing. The group is an active component of problem-oriented as well as **community-oriented policing**.

Highlights of the 2016 activity of the NAG include:

- 116 businesses were inspected.
- 785 warnings for minor violations and/or citations to repair were issued.
- Action taken against one apartment building used for prostitution and the sale of narcotics.
- Action taken against a convenience store with a large number of citizen complaints due to underage sales of alcohol, sales of cigarettes, and illegal sales of narcotics. The store was required to forfeit its property. Some of the food, toiletries, cleaning supplies, and other items were donated to St. Stephens Community House and New Salem Baptist Church for families in need.

The Commercial Vehicle Unit issued **276 citations** for various commercial vehicle violations that included height, weight, and length violations; permit violations, HAZMAT violations, overweight violations, and commercial driver license violations; and 603 non-commercial citations for various traffic violations throughout the city and freeway systems. The overweight violation fines totaled \$66,222.00.



In an effort to further promote **roadway safety** to the motoring public and the citizens of Columbus, the Freeway Patrol Unit focused attention on commercial vehicles carrying hazardous material (HAZMAT) in and around the City of Columbus. Freeway Patrol personnel cited 646 drivers for the "Improper Transport of a **Hazardous Material**" through the City of Columbus. Of those 646 violations, 552 vehicles were illegally carrying a total weight of 13,647,153 pounds of HAZMAT and 94 other vehicles were improperly carrying HAZMAT residue from a previous delivery.



Lieutenant Karl Barth celebrated his **55th anniversary** with the Columbus Division of Police on September 25, 2016. He has been in his current assignment, Special Events, since March 25, 1979. To put it into perspective, he has been with the Division since Dwight D. Eisenhower was President of the United States and has worked every motorcade and met every President since John F. Kennedy. Congratulations to Lt. Barth for this accomplishment!





Sergeant Charles Cartwright and K-9 Lilo assisted narcotics detectives

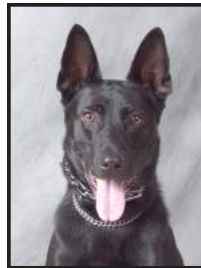
by **scent-sniffing US currency** impounded as part of a narcotic investigation for the odor of narcotics on the currency. Five boxes of currency were sniffed as a double-blind test. K-9 Lilo alerted to four of the boxes, which totaled over \$1 million and was seized as drug profits.



Officer Anthony Rogers and K-9 Lucky assisted narcotic detectives by scent-sniffing US currency that was impounded as part of a narcotics investigation. K-9 Lucky alerted to the odor of narcotics on the cash, totaling \$338,635.00, which will be seized as drug profits.

Officer Kenneth Coontz and K-9 Elvis assisted narcotics detectives by scent-sniffing a vehicle stopped by patrol at SR 315 and Bethel Road. K-9 Elvis alerted to the vehicle and a subsequent search recovered 3kg of cocaine from a backpack in the vehicle.

Officer John Jones and K-9 Ayko made a traffic stop on I-70 and K-9 Ayko was used to sniff the vehicle. K-9 Ayko alerted that drugs were present and a subsequent search recovered a marijuana pipe, 376.4g of cocaine, a loaded 9mm magazine, a 9mm handgun in a Doritos® bag behind the back seat, 1054.9g of black tar heroin, and 49.9g of crystal meth from a passenger upon search incident to arrest. Several occupants of the vehicle were charged with felonies.



Ayko



Aleks



Camile



Cyrus
(Retired 10-1-16)



Elvis



Kenzi



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(Hired 10-3-16)

2016 Canine Unit Statistics

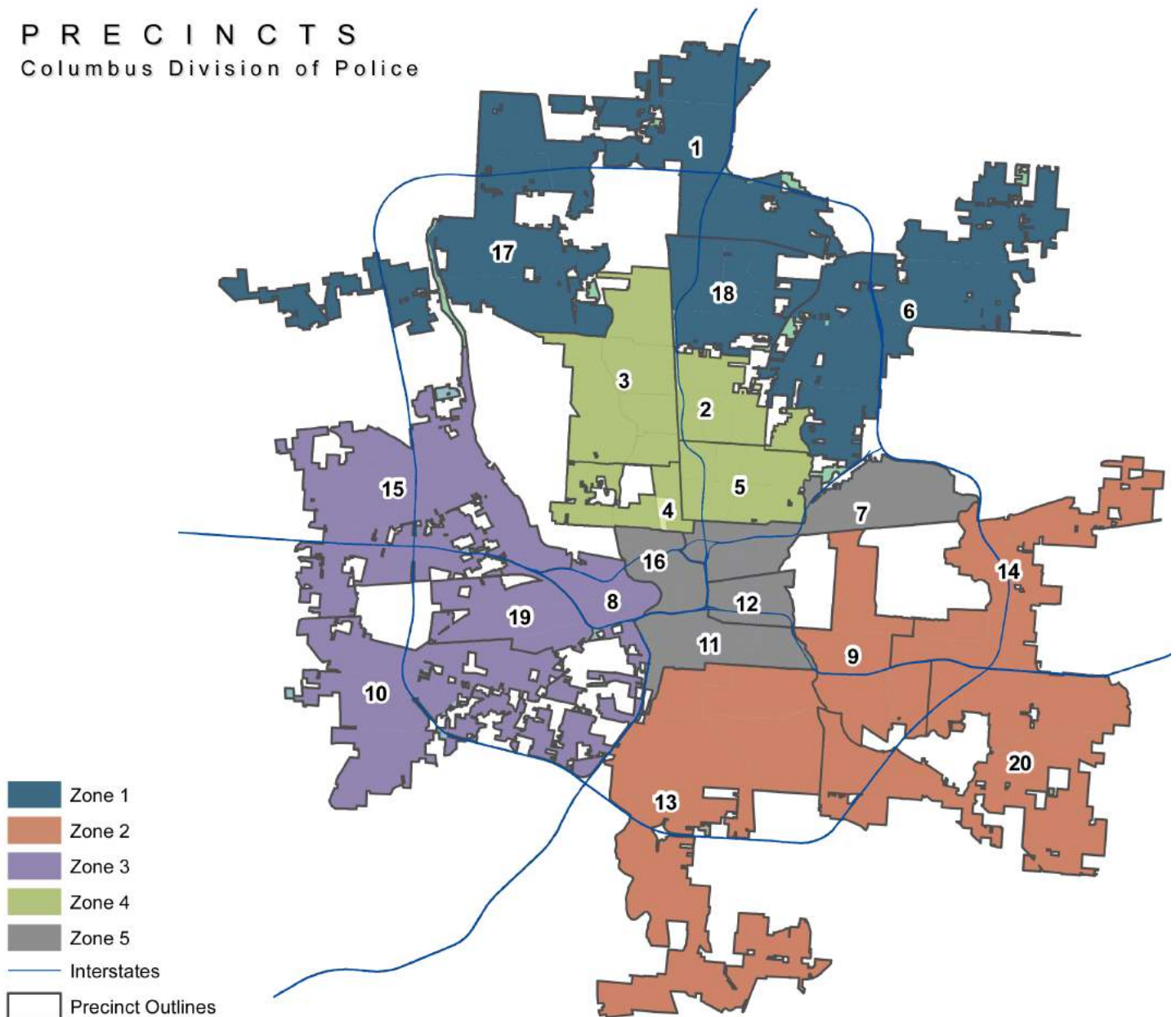
- Assisted with 133 felony and 75 misdemeanor arrests*
- Conducted 172 building searches*
- Recovered 18 handguns*
- Seized an estimated \$2.6 million worth of illegal narcotics*
- Seized approximately \$1.8 million in U.S. currency*
- Seized 405.5 pounds of marijuana*
- Performed 13 public relations demonstrations*

City of Columbus Patrol Zones

The City of Columbus covers 222 square miles and extends into three adjacent counties: Delaware, Fairfield and Licking. The City is divided into 5 Patrol Zones and further broken down into 20 precincts. Each precinct is broken down into cruiser districts, with a total of 101 overall. A Police Commander has geographic responsibility for each patrol zone. A Patrol Lieutenant has responsibility for a specific shift on each zone. A Patrol Sergeant has responsibility for a specific precinct on each shift.

Calls for Service	469,975
Self-Initiated Activity	178,374
Reports Taken	123,280
Arrests	22,780

PRECINCTS Columbus Division of Police



Patrol Subdivisions



During July and August, officers on 14 Precinct B-Company began a **“Boots to the Ground”** project, which had a very simple and straightforward mission. The idea was to get officers out of the cruiser and “walk the beat,” thereby enabling the **citizens and officers** to interact with each other. Officers were tasked with meeting new people every day on their cruiser district and establishing relationships beyond just meeting someone during a “call for service” or an enforcement situation. This project was a huge success and developed many new contacts within the community that began on a positive note.



Inspections Section Lieutenant David Griffith worked with Officers Arkadiusz Augustyniak and Janetta Place to implement a Lean Six Sigma 5S system for the Division’s **Patrol Transport Vehicles (PTVs)** to keep them organized. The 5S’s represent Sort, Straighten, Shine, Standardize, and Sustain. The officers cleaned everything out of the vehicle, and then sorted and packaged like items together in clear plastic containers

so that officers working the vehicle can quickly and easily see what needs to be replenished, such as flares and scene tape. The boxes were then organized in the vehicle and a laminated photo showing the contents and location of the items was posted in the vehicle so that officers working the vehicle on other shifts could help maintain the system.



During a community meeting, 13 Precinct officers heard complaints of prostitution activity in the area of Parsons Ave. Officers developed a **proactive plan** to address the problem with the assistance of Vice Unit Officers. Officers from 13 Precinct along with officers from Community Response Team (CRT) 2 saturated the area and made contact with both prostitutes and customers on a daily basis. During the contacts officers referred the prostitutes to community social programs to assist them in getting off the street. Officers took enforcement action when warranted and maintained high visibility in the area to deter the activity. Working cooperatively with Vice Unit Officers, a plan was

implemented to conduct random “reversals” in the area. By year-end, the prostitution activity in the area became almost non-existent and the area residents could see a noticeable improvement.



In March, Commander Gary Cameron initiated a challenge on **Zone 1**, “Attacking Crime Patterns through Proactive Enforcement,” which later became known as **“Food for Felons.”** The concept was simple: more proactive law enforcement can measurably impact reactive law enforcement, and proactive misdemeanor enforcement often leads to the discovery of other more serious crimes.

Officers were challenged to engage in more proactive enforcement and provide their supervisors with documentation. Unit results were evaluated by Commander Cameron and Zone lieutenants based upon the quality and quantity of their work in the following areas:

- On-view felony arrests
- Traffic citations at high-accident intersections
- Field interviews of suspicious persons
- Successful fingerprint lifts submitted
- Outstanding arrests of any kind

In the end, Officer Steve Rowlands of CRT1 and the 18 Precinct B-Company officers were selected as co-winners and treated to a barbecue lunch provided by the commander.



On December 14, 2016, the Community Liaison Unit (CLU) partnered with the Target Corporation for the **Heroes and Helpers** program (formerly known as Shop with a Cop). This event, held for the sixth consecutive year, is a highlight for the CLU's officers. Due to economic reasons, the Target Corporation's donation differed from years past, but with the addition of monies from the Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association, CME Credit Union, and members of the Division of Police, the CLU officers were able to host 31 children. The children were chosen from throughout the Columbus City Schools district to participate in a holiday shopping spree accompanied by a Columbus police officer. This year's program was held at the Target Store in the Graceland shopping center. The Heroes and Helpers event continues to be a **heartwarming holiday tradition** for these families and officers.



On October 21, 2016, the Police Radio Room received a 911 call from the Key Bank on Frantz Road advising of a robbery in progress. Unknown to the responding units was the fact that this particular robbery was related to a **two-year bank robbery spree** and a suspect known as the **"Buckeye Bandit,"** due to his choice of wearing OSU attire during the crimes. Through an incredible display of leadership, determination, and courage, the responding officers and supervisors from Zone 1 located the suspect by stopping traffic on Tuttle Crossing Blvd. and searching car to car until they found a male matching the physical description. There was an initial armed confrontation, which led to a vehicular pursuit, and ended when the suspect drove down a dead-end street. The second armed confrontation ended when the suspect was wounded by the officers and taken into custody. Evidence from the Key Bank robbery was found in his possession. No officers or civilians were hurt during the event. Crime reports suggest that the suspect was responsible for 30 armed robberies in the Columbus area. He subsequently confessed and was charged by federal authorities. He pled guilty to eight counts of armed bank robbery on March 7, 2017, and is facing decades behind bars.



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CONGRATS Officer Rufus Goodwin! He was recognized at tonight's City of Columbus - City Hall council meeting by member Mitch Brown. Just a few weeks ago Officer Goodwin rescued a mom from her burning home. #humblehero





In 2016, the City of Columbus was proud to once again be involved in the **National Night Out** (NNO) events as part of its continued dedication to community policing and crime prevention awareness. The main event was held on August 2, 2016, with nationwide participation.

Multiple forms of media were used to broadly disperse the information for NNO, including posters, direct registration mailings, Facebook, and Twitter. The local government television channel, GTV, televised the proclamation ceremony from City Council chambers recognizing NNO and later attended several events to further document the festivities.

This year's NNO had **143 recognized events**, a 10% increase from last year, with the City of Columbus placing 7th in participation among cities with over 300,000 populations. Each block watch or civic association added individual touches to their events such as cookouts, ice cream socials, petting zoos, live music, and neighborhood dog walks. Perhaps the most creative and well-attended event involved a Pokémon Go tour of the neighborhood. The Columbus Police and Fire Training Academies participated this year by having the recruit classes, while singing cadence, conduct a 3.5 mile formation run past several of the NNO celebrations.

A highlight of the 2016 NNO was Columbus City Council's purchase and distribution of merchandise from the National Night Out Superstore. T-shirts and banners were provided to multiple groups



who were excited to be recognized in this manner. NNO in the Columbus area has made the public more aware of crime prevention and community outreach programs. The Columbus Division of Police continues to dedicate Community Liaison Officers to **address community concerns** and work collaboratively towards solutions. The media attention and events associated with NNO have provided residents even more avenues to seek assistance with violence, crime, and drug issues in their neighborhoods.

The City of Columbus Community Relations Commission awarded \$500 each to fifteen groups that applied for grants to support their National Night Out activities.





Increasing **diversity** within the Division continues to be a major focus for the Recruiting Unit. In 2016, in a collaborative effort with the Mayor's and Public Safety Director's offices and the Civil Service Commission, the Recruiting Unit hosted three Columbus Police Officer Job Seminars (formerly referred to as Expos) in May, June, and July. The events were designed to provide prospective candidates with insight into **career opportunities** within the Division of Police. These free seminars were a major part of the recruiting cycle as they were held just prior to and during the filing application period. One of the seminars was geared towards "New Americans" (legal immigrants) with on-site interpreters available.

In order to recruit the best candidates, the Recruiting Unit advertises the application period through posters, radio, television, newspapers, Facebook, and other social media outlets. The Recruiting Unit focuses on publications for underrepresented groups, as specified by the City of Columbus EEO Plan and current CALEA standards. The Division's website (www.columbus.gov/police) reflects upcoming recruiting events, the status of entry-level police officer testing, salary, and benefits information.



Community Liaison Officers Scott Clinger and Larry Geis, in conjunction with City Council President Zach Klein, City Attorney William Sperlazza, Deputy Director of Public Safety George Speaks, the City Licensing Bureau, and the Ohio Hotel Lodging Association, were an integral part in creating Columbus City Code Ordinance 598, which became effective January 1, 2016. This ordinance outlines specific rules, guidelines, and zoning requirements for hotels within the city. The intent of the ordinance was to prevent crimes involving drugs, prostitution, and violence that were occurring as a result of weak regulations governing these businesses. The ultimate goal was to **create a better "quality of life"** for the surrounding communities and a safer environment for businesses to operate.

During 2016, Officers Clinger and Geis, with assistance from multiple agencies, were able to use this ordinance to identify violations in many area hotels and apartment communities. In addition, after the abatements were issued or requests for remedies made, the officers conducted multiple follow-ups to ensure the businesses remained in compliance. The officers' recommen-

dations have become paramount in determining whether to proceed with the abatement process and closure of businesses, or to accept requests for permit reinstatements.

As a result of Officer Clinger's and Officer Geis' combined efforts with other agencies, calls for police service at area hotels have decreased by over 40% in the past four years. In recognition of this innovative effort, the United States Attorney General selected Officer Clinger and Officer Geis as recipients of the **Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service** in Community Policing; the award was presented to the officers in Washington, DC. United States Attorney Benjamin C. Glassman stated, "The work by these two Columbus police officers demonstrates the impact effective community policing can have on a community," and "These officers are two of only 12 officers nationwide to receive this recognition from Attorney General Lynch."





The Columbus Police Mounted Unit, which is **recognized** as one of the **leaders** among mounted units in Ohio, has provided several other mounted units with training in crowd and riot control procedures. The Mounted Unit regularly conducts training with other jurisdictions that include Franklin, Delaware, Licking, and Allen County Sheriffs' Offices; the Ohio State University Police Department; the New Albany Police Department; and the Athens (Ohio) Police Department. In 2016, the Mounted Unit worked and assisted with over 230 events and spent over 1,000 hours patrolling the streets.



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Glory



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Willie



In January 2016, **six GoPro Video Cameras** were purchased by the Division and three each were issued to the Patrol Administrative Section and the Event Management Unit to be available for deployment at planned and unplanned City events, protests, parades, or acts of civil disorder. Throughout 2016, the Patrol Administrative Section cameras were signed out 34 times and used to document 18 City events, the majority of which were protests and marches. After deployment at an event, the cameras are returned to the Patrol Administrative Section where the video footage is downloaded and the camera is prepared for the next event. Standard operating procedures, including public records release and retention, are being reviewed and updated for this equipment.



National Recognition...An Emotional Reunion



During the summer of 1997, Officer James Poole was dispatched on a report of a drowning. Officer Poole was the first responder at the scene and observed a **lifeless five-year-old boy** in an apartment complex pool. Officer Poole took immediate action, quickly rescuing the child from the water. Realizing the boy was not breathing, Officer Poole administered CPR until medics arrived. If not for Officer Poole's quick actions, the young boy likely would not have survived.

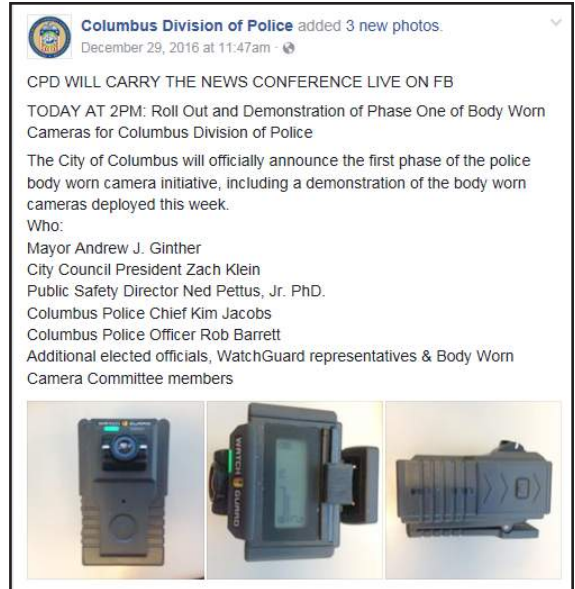
In August of 2016, Mr. Chris Jones contacted the Division's Public Information Office and **identified himself as the child** Officer Poole rescued nearly 20 years ago. Mr. Jones stated he saw a photo of Officer Poole on the Division's Facebook page and asked if a meeting could be arranged. Officer Poole and Mr. Jones were reunited in an emotional meeting on September 9, 2016. Multiple media outlets were present and the touching story made national news, to include an appearance on the Harry Connick, Jr. television program scheduled for February 2017.



Support Services Subdivision



The Division has continued to invest in technology, the most notable and arguably most public, was **body-worn cameras** (BWC). During the first half of the year, the Columbus Body Camera Committee comprised of individuals from the City of Columbus, Department of Public Safety, Division of Police, community and religious groups, labor union representatives, and academia met to evaluate the most effective and efficient way to implement a body-worn camera program for the Division. The Committee's goals were to develop a policy, make recommendations to revise or amend Ohio's Public Records laws, and estimate the costs. During this time period, various officers wear-tested several makes and models of BWCs to determine which one would best suit the needs and budget of the Division. The City selected WatchGuard cameras after comparing the quality of the video and the storage options. By the end of 2016, twelve Freeway Patrol officers were outfitted with the body-worn cameras. The cameras will continue to be purchased and deployed, with the projection of up to 560 officers outfitted with the body-worn cameras by the end of the year.



Two separate Ohio Supreme Court rulings on public records requests near the end of the year had a large impact on how the Division's **Public Records Unit** will handle **requests for video** and investigative information in the future. The first ruling was regarding cruiser video, in that most of the video is not viewed as investigatory and must be released prior to the outcome of the case. In the second ruling, investigative information must be released at the time of conviction, regardless of the appeals process. The increase in caseload that may result from these rulings is being closely monitored to ensure the Division remains compliant with Public Records laws.

The Division has put more emphasis on its public web presence by hiring a civilian webmaster who has migrated the Division's page to a new web platform and updated the look. The Division is now able to capture statistics on what portions of the website are being used the most so that they can be made more easily accessible. In addition to the Division's website, the webmaster has been updating the internal page used by Division personnel.



Amy Morris joined the Division on November 18, 1984, as a member of the 64th Recruit Class. After spending eight years in Patrol, she transferred to the Vice Unit for a year and then to the Burglary Unit. She joined the Homicide Squad in 1996 and spent over 11 years in the unit before transferring to the Public Records Unit at the end of 2007. Officer Morris finished out her 31+ year career and retired on January 18, 2016. On January 19, 2016, Public Safety Analyst Amy Morris reported to work in the Public Records Unit, and on February 14th officially became the unit's supervisor.



The Records Unit is a 24/7 operation that works hard to **meet the needs** of officers and citizens. Employees of the Records Unit **serve the public** by responding to requests for accident and offense reports.

The unit's 2016 accomplishments include:

- 3,173 AWOL reports taken and entered in Premier One
- 31,550 Impound/Repos checked and entered into the Vehicle Information Management System
- 4,601 LEADS hits sent from LEADS channel
- 15,378 entries and hit responses sent to LEADS/NCIC
- 35,086 Records channel requests received for local checks
- 43,298 LEADS channel requests for LEADS checks



Fingerprint Technician William Hannah oversees our **Automated Fingerprint Identificaton System (AFIS)** and liaises with vendors, engineers, and users. The Division's system hosts fingerprint information coming from several law enforcement jurisdictions, giving it a broader ability to identify arrestees and solve crimes through fingerprints.

A combined total of 57,184 known fingerprint records were added in 2016 from the following agencies:

- Columbus Police
- Delaware County SO
- Franklin County SO
- Knox County SO
- Wyandot County SO
- Licking County SO
- Reynoldsburg PD
- Grove City PD
- Upper Arlington PD
- Dublin PD

The Latent Prints Unit has been **working diligently** on processes with the Crime Laboratory in order **to become accredited** through ASCLD/LAB. Latent Print Examiners examine prints lifted at crime scenes for evidentiary value and compare them to known suspects, or enter the prints into AFIS if there is not a known suspect. They also offer expert testimony in court in criminal cases in which fingerprint evidence is presented. In 2016, the examiners made 989 fingerprint identifications, 548 of which were the result of AFIS hits, and evaluated 2,259 latent evidence cases for evidentiary value.



**90% of all 9-1-1
Calls answered within 10 seconds**

**95% of all 9-1-1
Calls answered within 20 seconds**

**674,309 9-1-1
Calls answered**

**583,469 Non-emergency
Calls answered**

648,653 Incidents Written

13 - PCT Supervisors

84 - Dispatchers

24 - 911 Emergency Call Takers

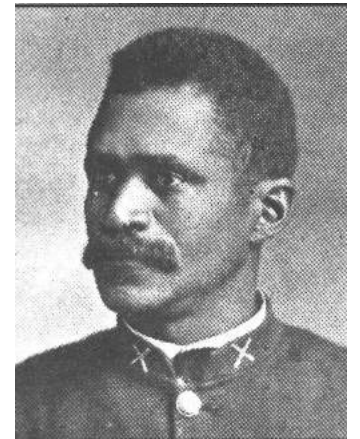
2 - GIS Technicians











Timeline Photo Descriptions

- Cover (background image).....Courtesy Getty Images
- c1816..... Historical Badge
- c1820..... Statehouse illustration
- c1830..... Ohio Penitentiary
- c1840..... Franklin founder Lucas Sullivant headstone 1845
- c1850..... Patrolman
- c1860..... Last City Marshal Charles Engleke
- c1870 Chief Lewis Keeler
- c1880..... Patrolman Henry James
- c1890... Nelson Tate, First African American Police Officer (*Columbus*)
- c1900..... Police Wagon
- c1910..... Paddy Wagon
- c1920.....Dolly Fisher, First Female Police Officer (*Columbus*)
- c1930..... Police Headquarters (1934)
- c1940.....Police Officer Bill Smith
- c1950..... Motorcycle Officer
- c1960. "Take off the door" campaign (*'refridgerator', bumper sticker*)
- c1970..... "Adam 12" Star Martin Milner with Columbus Officers
- c1980.....Chief Dwight D. Joseph & Wife Babette
- c1990..... Crime Stoppers
- c2000.....Patrolmen
- c2010..... Lt. Eric David
- 2016..... Bicycle Patrol Officer

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1820s



1840s



1860s



1880s



1900s



1816



1830s



1850s



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1910s