

WHEELING POLICE DEPARTMENT 2016 ANNUAL REPORT



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Deputy Chief Todd Wolff



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FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief James J. Dunne



It is with great pride that I present the Wheeling Police Department's Annual Report for 2016. This report will summarize the many accomplishments achieved by the dedicated men and women who work for the police department and the citizens of Wheeling.

Year 2016 marked the beginning of my service at the Wheeling Police Department and I am pleased to say we've accomplished much. Focusing on a renewed vision of community outreach, we reinforced long standing partnerships with community groups such as the Knights of Columbus, Wheeling Helping Hands, and the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association. We continued long standing traditions like Shopping with the Cops where we partnered with Walmart and elected officials to pass out holiday presents to needy families. 2016 however also aimed at forging new alliances and we did so with new programs like Cop on Top where we partnered with the Special Olympics and Dunkin' Donuts and raised money for special needs athletes. Also, with Coffee with a Cop, we stepped out from behind the badge and sat with citizens at local Dunkin' Donuts locations and simply talked about their experience in and with the village they call home. Whether we were passing out gifts to children or conversing over coffee, we did so with the shared goal of improving the quality of life for our citizens. Both programs were successful and met with accolades by officers and citizens alike and are expected to be the beginning of a long standing tradition.

Internally, the department underwent some significant changes and realignment as well. The creation of a new Communications Division occurred with the addition of a Communications Manager to oversee the new Division. Efforts to increase visibility in and among the neighborhoods pushed on with officers striving to be more omnipresent and approachable. 2016 welcomed four new officers and one new K-9 but also experienced some bittersweet moments with several retirements. New legislation and training requirements for officers was mandated in 2016 and, with credit owed to those that came before me, the department had already begun the process in anticipation of the mandate and was already aligned for the change.

Looking toward the future, many exciting changes are forthcoming including a complete overhaul of our police communications system. Based on requests from officers, I began exploring the possibility of transitioning to a state of the art communications system known as Starcom 21. Efforts began in 2016 and continued into the new year with final approval gained early in 2017.

With new officers being hired to replace retiring veteran officers, 2017 and beyond will be an important period for the future of this department. Officers will be tasked with tackling a rapidly evolving, complex and demanding profession. We as a department stand ready to tackle this situation completely and I am confident that the unified, professional, and well trained department we expect and demand will emerge.

Sincerely,

James J. Dunne
Chief of Police





Dean S. Argiris
President



Kenneth R. Brady
Trustee



Mary Papantos
Trustee



Jon A. Sfondilis
Village Manager



Mary Krueger
Trustee



Joe Vito
Trustee



Elaine E. Simpson
Village Clerk



Ray Lang
Trustee



David Vogel
Trustee

VILLAGE OF WHEELING
INFORMATION

VILLAGE OF WHEELING
GOVERNMENT

Population 37,648
Household 14,294
City Area 8.7 sq. miles
Schools
 Elementary Schools..... 5
 Middle Schools 2
 High School..... 1

Per Capital Income \$27,362
Median Household Income \$57,364

Dean S. ArgirisPresident
Elaine E. Simpson Village Clerk
Kenneth R. BradyTrustee
Mary KruegerTrustee
Ray LangTrustee
Mary PapantosTrustee
Joe Vito.....Trustee
David VogelTrustee

Village Manager

Jon A. Sfondilis

Assistant Village Manager/HR Director

Michael A. Crotty

Police and Fire Commission

Michael J. Moran.....Chairperson
Alan W. PalickiSecretary
Alfred Hembd.....Member
Jon Kolssak.....Member
Michael MurphyMember



Wheeling Police Department

Mission Statement

The mission of the Wheeling Police Department is to improve the quality of life for the citizens of the Village of Wheeling by the provision of the highest quality of police services. The department will maintain respect for human rights; will promote mutual respect and courtesy, and work to build strong, effective, mutually beneficial police/community partnerships.

Organizational Values

Partnership - We are committed to working on partnerships with the community and with each other to identify and resolve issue which impact public safety.

Encouragement - We encourage participation and input from all levels of our organization and all individuals and groups in the Village

Integrity - We are committed to nurturing the public trust by holding ourselves accountable to the highest standards of professionalism and ethics.

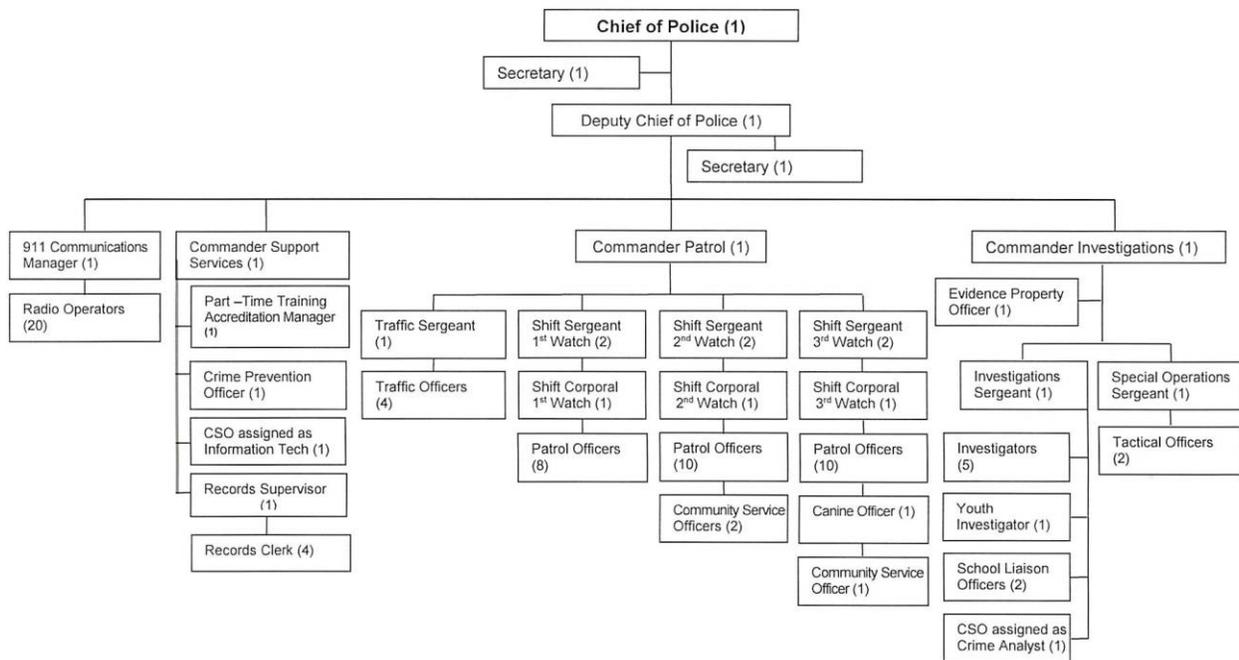
Dedication - We dedicate ourselves to professional law enforcement service through open system of communication, community partnerships, improved department management, enhanced operational procedures, and the utilization of problem solving methods and strategies.



WE SERVE - WE PROTECT - WE CARE



Wheeling Police Department Organizational Chart



<u>AUTHORIZED SWORN</u>	<u>AUTHORIZED CIVILIAN (FULL-TIME)</u>	<u>AUTHORIZED CIVILIAN (PART-TIME)</u>
Chief	1	Communication Supervisor
Deputy Chief	1	Community Service Officer
Commander	3	Evidence/Property Officer
Sergeant	9	Info Tech
Corporal	3	Radio Operator
Police Officer	44	Records Clerk
		Secretary
		Accreditation Manager/Training
TOTAL AUTHORIZED SWORN	61	TOTAL ACTUAL CIVILIAN FULL-TIME
		34
		TOTAL ACTUAL CIVILIAN PART-TIME
		1

October 03, 2016



2016 EMPLOYEE ROSTER

COMMAND STAFF

James J. Dunne, *Chief of Police*
Todd Wolff, *Deputy Chief of Police*
Richard Benbow, *Commander Investigations Division*
Joseph Licari, *Commander Patrol Division,*
Peter Panagakis, *Commander Support Services Division*

Rocella Rodgers, *Communications Mngr.*
Steve Parkinson, *Staff Secretary/ASO*
Lina Colunga, *Staff Secretary*

SERGEANTS

Vic Chirio, *Special Operations Unit Sergeant*
John Connolly, *Patrol Sergeant*
Michael Conway, *Traffic Unit Sergeant*
James Elwart, *Patrol Sergeant*
Paul Hardt, *Patrol Sergeant*

Christopher Higham, *Patrol Sergeant*
Joe Kopecky, *Inv. Unit Sergeant*
Joseph Schaff, *Patrol Sergeant*
Paul Smith, *Patrol Sergeant*

CORPORALS

James Borchardt, *Patrol Corporal*
Troy Musolf, *Patrol Corporal*
Dorann Swanson, *Patrol Corporal*

OFFICERS

John Abbio, *Detective*
Derrick Bernabei, *Patrol Officer*
Michael Bieschke, *Patrol Officer*
John Bonk, *Patrol Officer*
Dennis Bulanda, *Patrol Officer*
Bernie Conboy, *Patrol Officer*
Lukasz Czaplak, *School Resource Officer*
Joseph Dawson, *Patrol Officer*
Ian Frey, *Patrol Officer*
Ignacio Garcia, *Patrol Officer*
Richard Giltner, *Detective*
Richard Herdus, *Patrol Officer*
Jeremy Hoffman, *Patrol Officer*
Stephen Hull, *Patrol Officer*
Matthew Jahnke, *Patrol Officer*
Angela Kaehler, *Patrol Officer*
Douglas Kaiser, *Patrol Officer*
Christopher Kanches, *Canine Officer*

Matthew Lee, *Patrol Officer*
Bryan Martorano, *Patrol Officer*
Shane Mauer, *Patrol Officer*
Carl Messina, *Patrol Officer*
Antoine Morrison, *Patrol Officer*
Michael Munoz, *Patrol Officer*
Ignacio Oropeza, *Detective*
Thomas Pinedo, *Detective*
Brett Potter, *Patrol Officer*
Terrance Rose, *Patrol Officer*
Rick Richardson, *Patrol Officer*
Preston Robertson, *Patrol Officer*
Christopher Rogers, *Detective*
Michael Rossi, *Patrol Officer*
Adam Sherman, *Patrol Officer*
Katrina Smolarczyk, *Patrol Officer*
Andrew Teichen, *Patrol Officer*
James Theberge, *Patrol Officer*



2016 EMPLOYEE ROSTER (Continued)

OFFICERS (Continued)

Kim, Phil, *Patrol Officer*
Steve Komin, *Patrol Officer*
Devin Ladesic, *Patrol Officer*
Scott Laverd, *Crime Prevention*

Stephen Truver, *Patrol Officer*
Paul Vallas, *Patrol Officer*
Brittany Vore, *School Resource Officer*
Mark Weber, *Patrol Officer*

INFORMATION TECHNICIAN / RECORDS / PART-TIME / VOLUNTEERS

Katherine Whitehead, *Records Supervisor*
Christina Lascola, *Records Clerk*
Carole Lanciloti, *Citizen Volunteer*
Kristina Maldonado, *Records Clerk*
Patricia Maziarka, *Citizen Volunteer*

Maria Soto, *Records Clerk*
Shirlee Surges, *Records Clerk*
Jacek Trezbunia, *Information Technology*
Larry Carmody, *P-T Accreditation Mngr/Training*

COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICERS

Michael Burns, *CSO*
Andrew Merrill, *CSO*
Peter Rodgers, *Evidence Property Officer*

Anthony Reyes *CSO*
Veronica Salazar, *CSO/Crime Analyst*

COMMUNICATIONS

Javier Alanis, *Dispatcher*
Andrew Calin, *Dispatcher*
Diane Constanty, *Dispatcher-Team Leader*
Matthew Diamond, *Dispatcher*
Eugene Gamez, *Dispatcher-Team Leader*
Marcia Gerould, *Dispatcher*
Charles Hasselmann, *Dispatcher-Team Leader*
Katelyn Hernandez, *Dispatcher*
Tina Hoffman, *Dispatcher*
Dawn Hyken, *Dispatcher*

Michael Kelly, *Dispatcher-Team Leader*
Michael Loranz, *Dispatcher*
Meghan Marren, *Dispatcher*
Debra Mette, *Dispatcher*
Nadine Morgan, *Dispatcher*
Megan Novak, *Dispatcher*
Marco Ramirez, *Dispatcher*
Tina Shuffelbarger, *Dispatcher*
Maria Vasquez, *Dispatcher*
James Vonesh, *Dispatcher*





NOTABLE INCIDENTS

NEW SWORN-IN:

Four new officers were hired in 2016 to include Steve Hull and Antoine Morrison in July, Ignacio Garcia in September, and Derrick Bernabei in December. Officer's Hull & Morrison attended and successfully graduated from the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA) on September 30th and are currently assigned with a training officer in the field training portion of their curriculum. Officer Garcia attended the Illinois State Police (ISP) Academy and successfully graduated in December of 2016 and is also assigned with a training officer in the field training portion of his curriculum. Officer Bernabei is scheduled to attend the ISP academy beginning in January of 2017.



Officer
Stephen
Hull
07/05/16



Officer
Antoine
Morrison
07/05/16



Officer
Ignacio
Garcia
09/26/16



Officer
Derrick
Bernabei
12/28/16

CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT CHANGES:



Steve Parkinson
P-T Administrative
Service officer
10/15/13
Promoted as F-T
Staff Secretary
(Chief's Secretary)
7/18/16



Katherine Whitehead
Records Clerk
06/01/15
Promoted to
Records Supervisor
08/15/16



Rocella Rogers
Communications
Manager
Hired
9/12/16



RETIREMENTS



After 27 years of service Diane Poppenga retired from the Police Department on May 4, 2016.

Dispatcher F-T – 04/17/87-09/14/87
Records P-T – 09/22/88
PIMS Liaison F-T – 03/28/88
Retired – 05/04/16



After 20 years of service Officer Staci Treiber retired from the Police Department on June 14, 2016.

Police Officer – 06/14/96
Retired – 06/14/16



After 20 years of service, Michael Loran, retired from the Police Department on June 16, 2016.

Dispatcher – 01/29/96
Retired – 06/16/16



After 27 years of service, Officer/9-1-1 Supervisor Jeffrey Wieder, retired from the Police Department on July 18, 2016.

Police Officer – 07/16/90
Corporal – 08/01/88 9-1-1-
Supervisor – 01/07/09
Retired – 07/18/16



After 23 years of service, Sergeant Larry Carmody, retired from the Police Department on August 2, 2016.

Police Officer – 09/09/93
Sergeant – 01/04/02
Retired – 08/02/16

Continued WPD
Employment as P-T
Accreditation
Manager/Training – 08/02/16



After 30 years of service Officer Christina Parr retired from the Police Department on October 13, 2016.

Police Officer – 07/01/86
Retired – 10/13/16



COP ON TOP:

The 14th Annual *Dunkin' Donuts Cop on Rooftop* event took place on Friday, May 20th. During this fundraiser, hundreds of local law enforcement officers staked out Dunkin' Donuts rooftops to heighten awareness and raise money for the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Illinois. Officers from the Wheeling Police Department participated in this event and helped raise nearly \$2,000 for this worthy cause.



Firefighter S. Mella, Mr. Michael Moran, Police and Fire Commission Chairperson, Ofcr. Pinedo, and Sgt. Kopecky.



Ofcr. Musolf and Ofcr. Giltner



Ofcr. Borchardt, Ofcr. Rogers, Ofcr. Hoffman, Ofcr. Bulanda and Ofcr. Herdus



Ofcr. Giltner, Ofcr. Komin, Ofcr. Musolf, and Mr. Dean Argiris, Village President

COFFEE WITH A COP:

On October 7th, 2016 members of the Police Department participated in an innovative program to forge alliances between the Police and the Public. The department simply invited their residents to join the officers for some coffee and conversation. This program, which has grown to over 2000 agencies nationwide, was met with great success by both residents and officers alike and is likely the first of many to come.

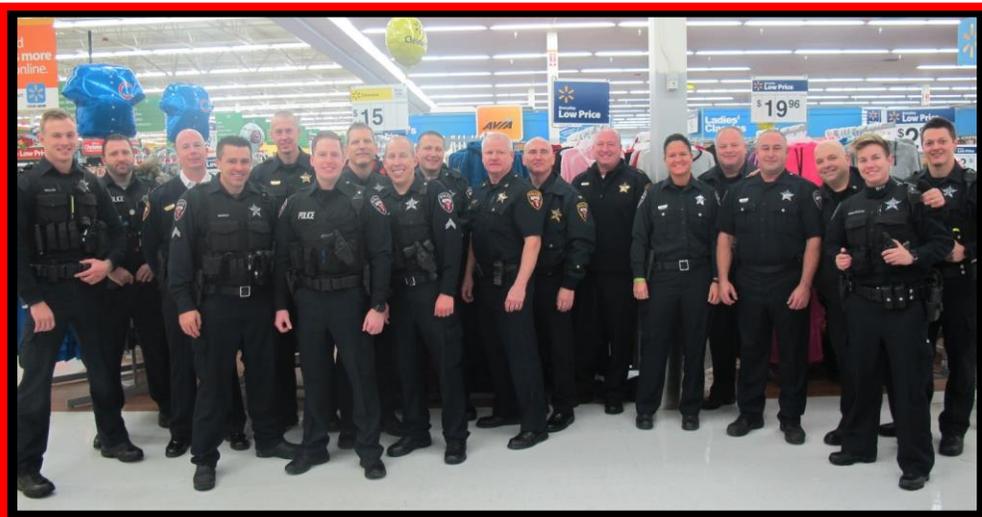


SHOP WITH THE COPS:

On December 17th, 2016 members of the Police Department joined forces with elected officials and employees and friends of the village and assisted with our annual Shopping with the Cops benefit. Deserving children were identified and selected to participate in the program whereby each child was given the opportunity to shop with an Officer and select presents for themselves or others. Santa Claus made a guest appearance and volunteers acted like elves and assisted with gift wrapping. As is the case each and every year, the program produced smiles for all involved.



Ofcr. Hull, Ofcr. Frey, Deputy Chief Wolff, Ofcr. Musolf, Ofcr. Kopecky, Ofcr. Giltmer, Ofcr. Laverd, Ofcr. Borchardt, Ofcr. Kanches, Cmdr. Benbow, Cmdr. Panagakis, Chief Dunne, Ofcr. Vore, Sgt. Conway, Ofcr. Abbio, Cmdr. Licari, Ofcr. Smolarczyk, and Ofcr. Ladesic



Chief Dunne with Santa and a little girl from Santa's "Good List".



Deputy Chief Wolff with two more children from Santa's "Good List".



PATROL DIVISION

Commander Joseph Licari

The Patrol Division is the largest division of the Wheeling Police Department and is a 24/7 operation. The Patrol Division is responsible for responding to both emergency and non-emergency calls for service within the jurisdictional limits of the Village of Wheeling. Consistent with the Department's mission statement, Patrol Officers are responsible for the protection of life and property, maintaining peace, order and safety for all, conducting preliminary investigations, and enforcing the Illinois Criminal Code, Traffic Laws and Village Ordinances. The Wheeling Police Department encourages Patrol Officers to act as problem solvers, and to take a proactive approach rather than reactive approach in interacting with the community.

The Patrol Division consists of three different shifts:

Midnight Shift

11:00 p.m. to 7:30 a.m.

Day Shift

7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Afternoon Shift

3:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.

In 2016, Wheeling Police Department Personnel responded to a total of 35,550 calls for service involving criminal offenses, traffic accidents, disturbances, traffic complaints, extra watches and other types of incidents. The three Patrol Shifts are the first responders for the majority of the calls for service.

K-9 PROGRAM

In 2016, the department received its new canine after making the regrettable but necessary decision to put down former K-9 Duke in late 2015 due to medical issues. On June 3rd, 2016 K-9 Riggs and his newly assigned handler, Officer Chris Kanches graduated from K-9 school at TOPS Kennels and were assigned to the Afternoon/Power shift.

In his short tenure on the street in 2016, K-9 Rigg's activities include the following: one At Risk Missing Adult K-9 track, two building searches, nine community education demonstrations, two evidence recovery searches, one narcotics search, one residential search warrant, nine tracks for fleeing criminals, one school contraband search, sixteen vehicle searches, and several assists to outside agencies.





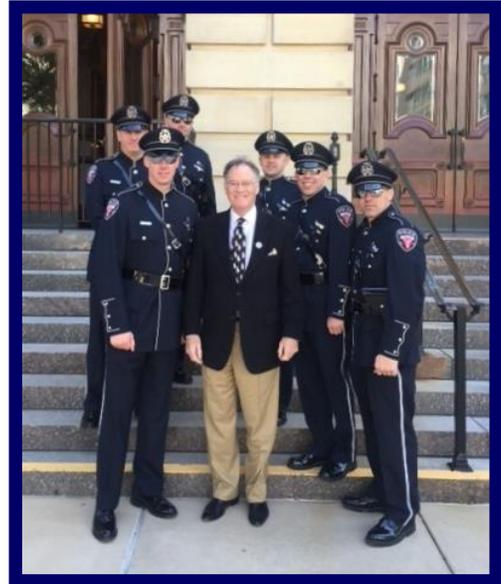
HONOR GUARD

Members of the Honor Guard

Sergeant Joseph Kopecky
Corporal James Borchart
Corporal Troy Musolf
Officer Dennis Bulanda
Officer Phil Kim
Officer Carl Messina
Officer Andrew Teichen
Officer Mark Weber

The Wheeling Police Department Honor Guard Unit was formed in 2007 and it has served the community with distinction. While all police officers have a dress uniform, the Wheeling Police Honor Guard has a distinctive uniform that sets it apart from other members of the department. This is to

signify the commitment that its members make to fulfill the honor guard's mission. The mission of the honor guard unit is to represent the Wheeling Police Department at community events award ceremonies, the Illinois State Police Officer's Memorial ceremony and to attend funerals for officers.



SPECIALIZED MUTUAL AID – TASK FORCES

In early 2016, The Wheeling Police Department had numerous Officers assigned to different organizations including the North Regional Major Crimes Task Force (N.O.R.T.A.F.), the Northern Illinois Police Alarm Service (N.I.P.A.S.) Emergency Services Team (SWAT), N.I.P.A.S. Mobile Field Force (MFF), and the Lake County Major Crash Assistance Team (M.C.A.T./Lake County). In May of 2016, the decision was made to withdraw from N.O.R.T.A.F. and M.C.A.T./Lake County and centralize under the single umbrella of M.C.A.T. M.C.A.T. is subdivided into the major case assistance team and S.T.A.R. (Serious Traffic Accident Reconstruction). MCAT has a broader purview, and provides investigative,



forensic, surveillance, and accident-reconstruction assistance to member agencies during investigations of homicides, kidnappings, serious and fatal traffic accidents, and other major incidents.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

The Dayshift and Afternoon shifts are supplemented by three full-time Community Service Officers (CSOs). CSOs are responsible for parking enforcement, ordinance enforcement, traffic direction, and animal calls. Additionally, CSOs Michael Burns and Andrew Merrill have been cross trained to fulfill the duties of Evidence Technician and CSO Tony Reyes has been trained in Child Passenger Safety Seat installation.

TRAFFIC UNIT

The Wheeling Police Department Traffic Unit is supervised by Sergeant Michael Conway. Officer Dennis Bulanda and Officer Christina Parr were the two Traffic Officers assigned to the Traffic Unit for the majority of 2016 and upon retirement of Officer Parr and reassignment of Officer Bulanda, Officer Rick Richardson assumed the position.



The Traffic Unit is designed to supplement the Patrol Division by dedicating officers to full time traffic enforcement and monitoring problem areas which are tracked through crash statistics and citizen complaints.

The Traffic Unit is tasked with identifying the causative factors in traffic crashes and then developing and implementing strategies to decrease the number of crashes and the injuries sustained due to those crashes. Routine Traffic Enforcement is the shared responsibility of the Patrol Division and the Traffic Unit. The Traffic Unit officers receive additional training in Traffic Crash Investigation through Northwestern University's Center for Public Safety.

In mid-2016, a decision was made to disband the Crash Investigation Unit and join the Major Case Assistance Team / Serious Traffic Accident Reconstruction (MCAT/STAR) organization to take advantage of the multi-jurisdictional approach to major case and crash investigation. MCAT/STAR, with 23 member agencies, is able to bring to the table a myriad of manpower, technology, and equipment. In 2016, members of the STAR unit responded to two callouts for serious or fatal traffic crashes.



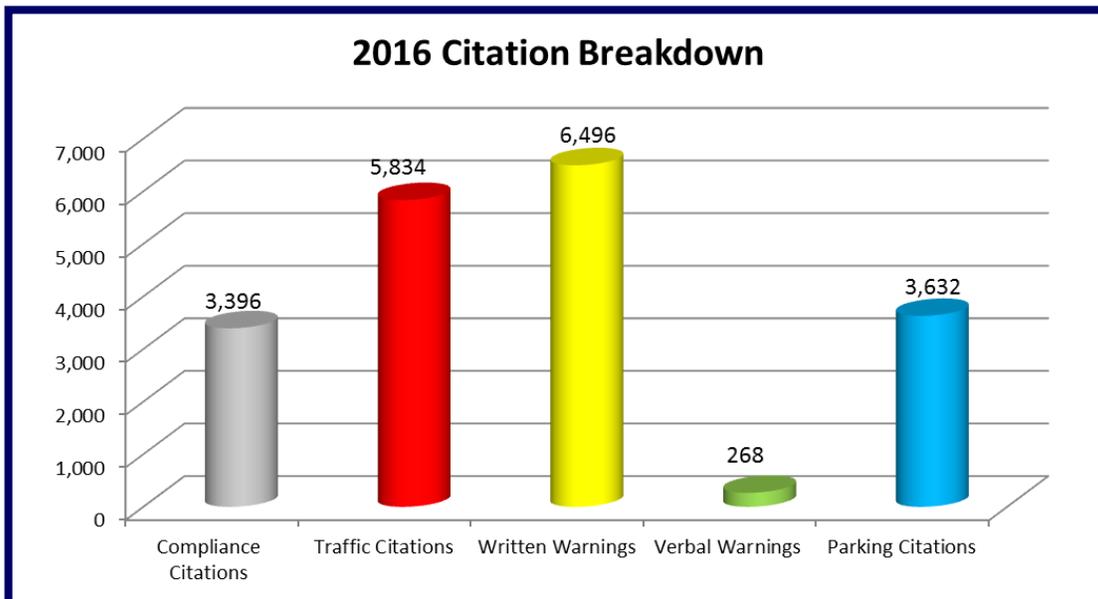
During 2016, the Traffic Unit conducted selective traffic enforcement within the Village and also identified areas for the Patrol Division to concentrate their traffic enforcement efforts. These areas of enforcement are based on data compiled from crash statistics, IDOT, citizen complaints and traffic studies that identify times and days when traffic activity is increased. The Traffic Division also coordinated and utilized Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grants, Occupant Restraint/Safety Belt Compliance Zones, Speed Enforcement Zones, School Zone Enforcement, Railroad Crossing Enforcement, DUI Interdiction and public education to target traffic safety problems. The Traffic Unit has also initiated the deployment of two speed shields in the village to remind drivers of their speed and to slow down.

As stated above, the Traffic Unit participated in the STEP campaign which is sponsored by the Illinois Department of Transportation. The campaigns were conducted during Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas/New Year's, St. Patrick's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day. The Step Grant focuses on impaired driving, distracted driving, and seat belt compliance. The STEP Grant awarded to the Village of Wheeling was in the amount of \$52,260.00

The Traffic Unit is also responsible for traffic safety education in numerous areas where presentations are given to both adult and student audiences. The Officers of the Traffic Unit conducted presentations in Drivers Education classes at Wheeling High School, Traffic and DUI Education for the Citizens Police Academy, and conducted numerous Child Passenger Safety Seat inspections and presentations for parents. The Traffic Unit also assists the Crime Prevention Unit with numerous presentations and community events through the year.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT OVERVIEW

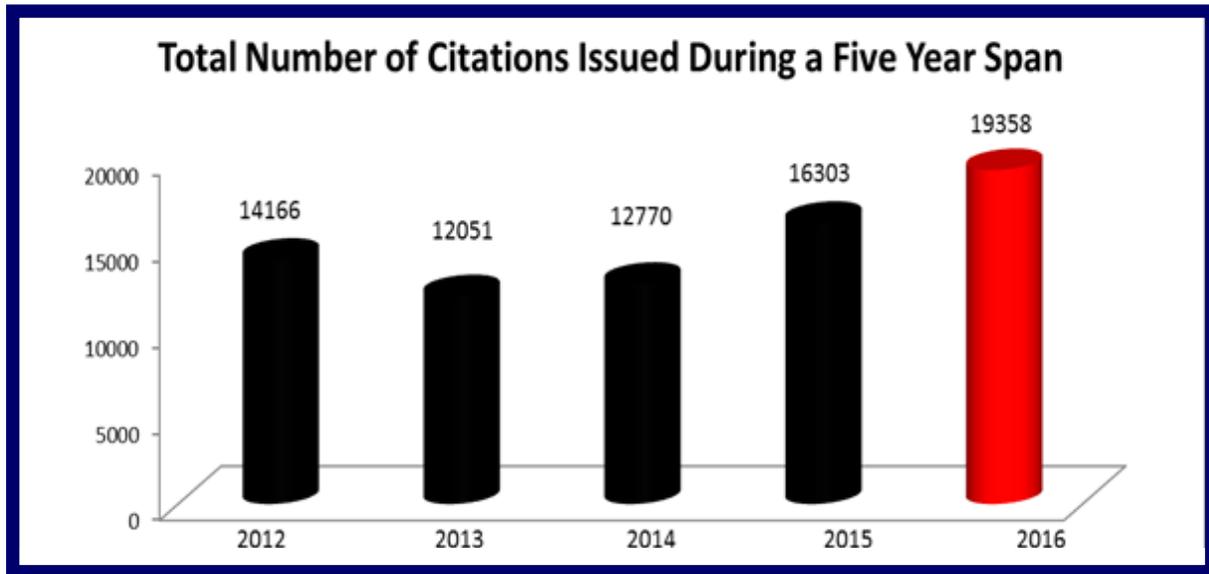
The Wheeling Police Department made 13,212 traffic enforcement related contacts during 2016 which is an increase of 20% from the previous year. The officers issued citations, written warnings, and verbal warnings on the traffic stops. The chart below illustrates the breakdown of the three types of Citations and Warnings issued during the 2016 calendar year.





CITATIONS ISSUED

During 2016 the Wheeling Police Department issued 5,834 Traffic Citations, 3,396 Compliance Citations, 6,496 Written Warnings, and 3,632 Parking Citations for a total of 19,358 Citations. Verbal warnings were implemented on 01/13/16 with 268 being issued. The chart below illustrates the total number of traffic related citations issued by the Wheeling Police Department during the past 5 years.



DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE

During 2016, the Wheeling Police Department made 94 DUI arrests. This represents a decrease of two DUI arrests from 2015. Officer Rick Richardson led the Department with 23 DUI arrests with Officer Vallas totaling 9 DUI arrests, and Officer Bulanda having 7 DUI arrests.



DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY TOTALS

The Raw Numbers for Traffic Enforcement Activity Comparison for the years 2015 and 2016 are listed on the chart below. Traffic Stops, Traffic Citations, Compliance Citations, Written Warnings and Parking Citations all showed a significant increase. DUI arrests decreased from 96 to 94 and Total Traffic

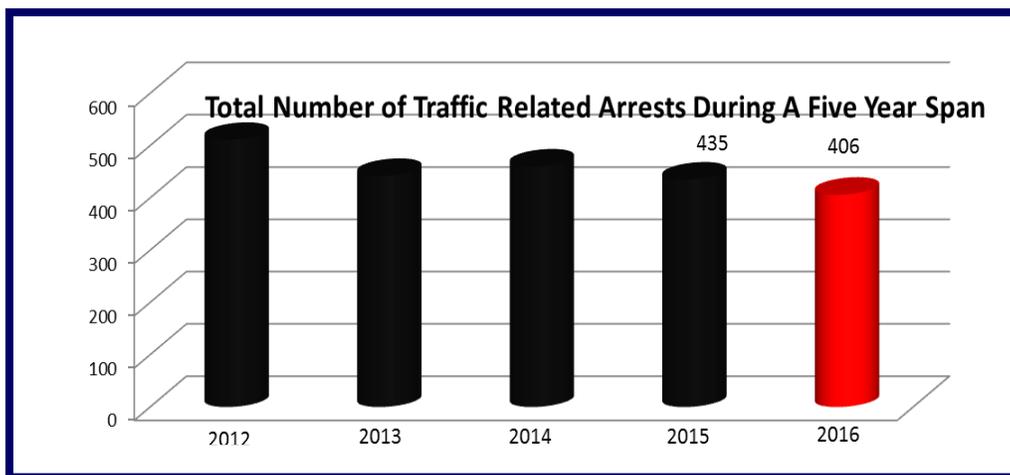


Citations increased from 5,190 to 5,834. Officers increased the amount of Compliance Citations by 28%, mostly through the STEP Grant Enforcement of Seat Belt and Cell Phone Violations.

ACTIVITY	2015	2016	DIFFERENCE	% CHANGE
DUI ARRESTS	96	94	-2	-2%
TRAFFIC ARRESTS	435	406	-29	-7%
TRAFFIC STOPS	10,554	13,212	+2,658	+25%
TRAFFIC CITATIONS	5,190	5,834	+644	+12%
COMPLIANCE CITATIONS	2,647	3,396	+749	+28%
WRITTEN WARNINGS	5,454	6,496	+1042	+19%
PARKING CITATIONS	2,807	3,632	+825	+29%

TRAFFIC ARRESTS

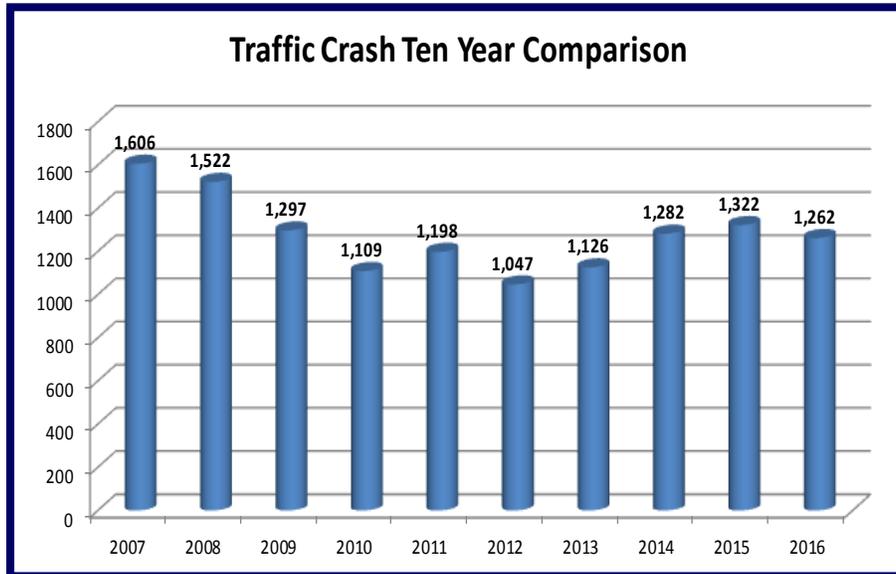
The total number of traffic arrests in the Village of Wheeling decreased from 435 in 2015 to 406 in 2016, which is a decrease of 7%. These numbers indicate that the previous education and enforcement have taken effect as drivers are making more responsible decisions.





TRAFFIC CRASHES

The total number of traffic crashes in the Village of Wheeling has dropped steadily over the past 10 years with 2012 bringing in the lowest number of public roadway traffic crashes in the past 20 years with 1,047 crashes. 2016 saw a decrease in traffic crashes from 1322 in 2015 to 1262 in 2016. The Chart below illustrates the impact that Enforcement, Education and Engineering have contributed to the steady overall decline in Traffic Crashes in the Village of Wheeling.



EFFECTIVENES

The Traffic Unit has seen that the established traffic programs are working overall. During 2016, 129 child car seats were inspected. There were zero fatal traffic crashes in 2016, which is a 100% decrease from 2015 in which one fatal crash occurred in Wheeling. Injury Crashes were down from 140 in 2015 to 138 in 2016, which is a decrease of 2%. Property Crashes were down from 859 in 2015 to 847 in 2016, which is a decrease of 1%. Overall, total traffic crashes are down from 1,322 in 2015 to 1,262 in 2016.





CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

Commander Richard Benbow



The Wheeling Police Department Investigations Division is responsible for the investigating of the most serious crimes that occur in the Village of Wheeling. The Investigations Division is broken down into two units, the Investigations Unit and the Special Operations Unit. Both of these units work in conjunction

with each other but are assigned different tasks. The Investigations Unit investigates crimes such as burglaries, robberies, homicides, death investigations, sexual assaults as well as financial crimes. The traditional role of a Detective has changed with the internet and increases in computer technology. Detectives are now tasked with the investigation of cyber-crimes such as identity theft. They also perform background investigations of all civilian and police applicants who are being considered for employment. The Investigations Unit also is responsible for maintaining professional relationships with other local Police Departments as well as Federal Agencies. Detectives are constantly working in conjunction with other agencies including the Federal Bureau of Investigations (F.B.I.), the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department (C.C.S.P.), the Illinois State Police (I.S.P.), the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (D.C.F.S.), the Chicago Police Department (C.P.D.), the United States Secret Service, the United States Department of Homeland Security and the United States Postal Inspectors.

Increases in domestic terrorism have changed the ways that law enforcement agencies operate. The Investigations Division works in a partnership with Homeland Security, the State Terrorism Intelligence Center (S.T.I.C.) and the Crime Prevention Intelligence Center (C.P.I.C.) to share, interpret and transmit intelligence information. The Wheeling Police Department Crime Analyst periodically works at the Crime Prevention Intelligence Center in Chicago.

The Detectives in the Investigations Unit work on a Monday through Friday schedule. Detectives are scheduled to work the day-shift and the afternoon-shift. A Detective is scheduled to be on-call overnight during the midnight-shift and during the weekend providing twenty-four hour coverage seven days a week.

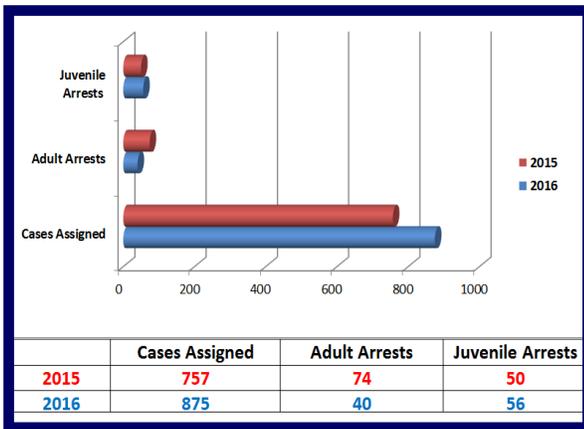
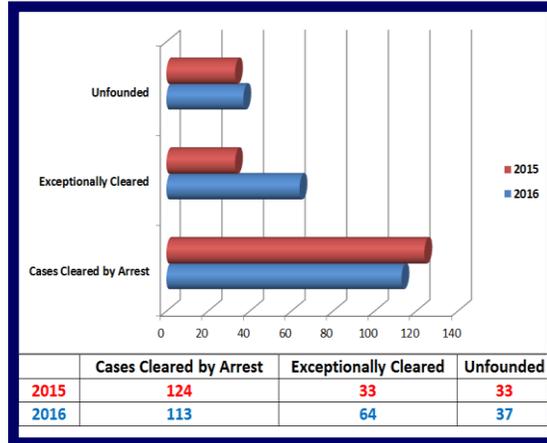
The Special Operations Unit is the primary unit responsible for the investigation of gang related crimes and drug related crimes. They are responsible for gang intelligence information and the maintenance of these records. The Special Operations Unit utilizes a proactive approach in efforts to combat gang crime and narcotics crime in our community.

INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

The Investigations Unit handled 875 cases in 2016. The Detectives in the unit are assigned cases based on 'solvability factors' and the seriousness of the criminal offense. The Investigations Unit is staffed by one Sergeant, five adult Detectives, one juvenile Detective, two School Resource Officers and a civilian Crime Analyst. Detective Sergeant Joseph Schaff is the supervisor in charge of the Investigations Unit. The Investigations Unit made 96 arrests in 2016 including 31 felony arrests. A total of 64 other cases were



Exceptionally Cleared without criminal charges being brought. Detectives are constantly attending training classes; keeping up to date with the latest trends and techniques in criminal investigations. In 2016, Detectives attended a total of 1,222 hours of training.



The Wheeling Police Department School Resource Officer Program provides a valuable service to the community, School District 21 and School District 214. One School Resource Officer is assigned to Wheeling High School and the second School Resource Officer covers the two middle schools; Jack London Middle School and Oliver Wendell Holmes Middle School, as well as the seven feeder/grammar schools. The School Resource Officers provide a safe learning environment for students and interact with the students in a positive manner. School Resource Officers attend training classes throughout the year, keeping up to date with the

changes in juvenile law. In 2016, School Resource Officers received 232 hours of advanced training.

The Investigations Unit Crime Analyst is responsible for the dissemination of daily, weekly and monthly crime bulletins. The Crime Analyst compiles intelligence information based on crime trends and patterns and disburses this information to different units within the Wheeling Police Department to combat crime more effectively and efficiently. The Wheeling Police Department Crime Analyst received 188 hours of advanced training in 2016.

MAJOR CASE HIGHLIGHTS

Detectives handled an Identity Theft in which the offender used the victim’s personal identification information to take out a car loan for \$11,250. The offender was arrested, interviewed and provided admissions. The offender was charged with a felony charge of Identity Theft.

Detectives handled an Identity Theft investigation in which the victim’s wallet was stolen and her credit card was fraudulently used to charge over \$1,700.00. A suspect was developed and taken into custody. The suspect was interviewed, provided an admission and was charged with a felony charge of Aggravated Identity Theft.

Detectives assisted the patrol division in a Sexual Assault / Unlawful Restraint in which a 14 year old female was assaulted while taking out the garbage. The victim screamed, alerting her parents and



neighbors who were able to chase after the offender and detain him until the arrival of the Police. The offender was interviewed, provided admissions and was charged with a felony charge of Attempt Aggravated Criminal Sexual Assault.

Detectives handled a Home Invasion in which two offenders, one armed with a handgun forced their way inside a residence intending to steal money from a safe. Upon the arrival of the police, the offenders broke a sliding glass door and fled from the scene evading apprehension. One of the offenders was identified through evidence recovered at the crime scene. The offender was arrested and charged with multiple felony charges including Home Invasion, a class X felony.

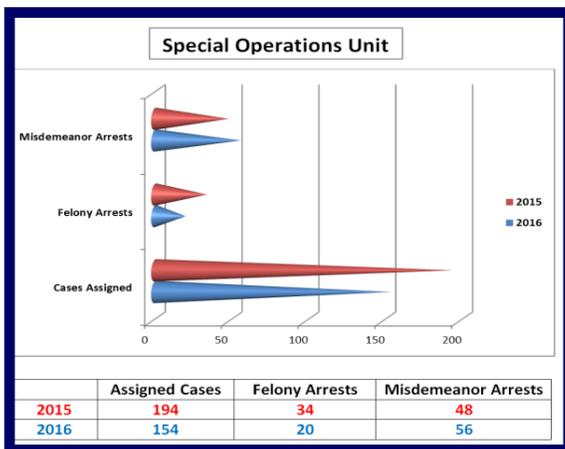
Detectives handled an Armed Robbery investigation at a gas station. Two offenders wearing masks and armed with a handgun entered the store, confronted the clerk and stole over \$7,000.00 from a safe. Numerous interviews were conducted and two suspects were developed. One of the suspects was interviewed, provided admissions and was charged with a felony charge of Aggravated Robbery.

Detectives assisting the patrol division handled a Home Invasion in which a suspect forced his way into the residence of his ex-girlfriend. The suspect grabbed a kitchen knife and began slashing at the bathroom door where the current boyfriend was hiding. The suspect was interviewed, provided admissions and was charged with a felony charge of Home Invasion, a class X felony.

Detectives handled an Aggravated Arson investigation in which an accelerant was placed in numerous locations on the first floor of an apartment building and ignited. The apartment building sustained extensive fire and water damage. A suspect was interviewed and refused to cooperate or provide a statement. The suspect was charged with a felony charge of Aggravated Arson, a class X felony.

Detectives handled a series of Burglary to Motor Vehicle incidents as well as a Commercial Burglary. A suspect was developed, interviewed and provided admissions to committing multiple burglaries. The suspect was charged with numerous felony charges including Burglary and Burglary to Motor Vehicle. A total of 19 other burglaries were cleared exceptionally without criminal charges being filed.

SPECIAL OPERATIONS UNIT



Staffing levels in the Special Operations Unit have changed with the re-organization of personnel in the Wheeling Police Department. The Special Operations Unit is currently comprised of 1 Sergeant and 2 Tactical Officers, down from 3 Tactical Officers, working in a plain clothes capacity. The unit works closely with the Investigations Unit and the Patrol Division. The primary goal of the Special Operations Unit is gang enforcement, but they also work to curtail drug activity, enforce liquor and tobacco laws, as well as state statutes and local ordinances in a proactive approach to reducing crime within the Village of Wheeling. The unit is also responsible for the collection and dissemination of gang information throughout the department, the control of confidential informants and the seizure program. The Tactical Officers maintain a liaison with other federal police



agencies including the Department of Immigration Customs Enforcement (I.C.E.), the Department Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (A.T.F.) and the Drug Enforcement Agency (D.E.A.).

In 2016, the Special Operations Unit made a total of 76 arrests including 20 felony arrests. The unit handled 17 firearm related incidents, seized 1,997 grams of cannabis, 111 grams of cocaine and seized \$66,661 from drug related offenses. In 2016, Tactical Officers attended a total of 600 hours of advanced specialized training.

MAJOR CASE HIGHLIGHTS



Special Operations assisted the patrol division in an Attempt Murder in which an innocent victim was stabbed over two dozen times by two gang members. Both offenders were located near the crime scene. Numerous interviews were conducted over the next two days. Both offenders were charged with felony charges including Attempt Murder, Mob Action and Aggravated Battery.

Special Operations handled an Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm call in which a residence had been struck by numerous bullets. No victims or suspects could be located. Information was developed through a separate criminal investigation and suspects and possible victims were developed. Numerous interviews were conducted. Two local gang members were interviewed and made admissions to being present at the shooting; one admitting to firing numerous shots. Both suspects were charged with felony charges of Mob Action and Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm.

Special Operations assisted the patrol division who stopped a suspicious vehicle that was driving by a known gang hangout without headlights when required. A traffic stop was made and contact was made with the four occupants of the vehicle. The four occupants were identified as rival gang members. A search of the vehicle revealed two loaded handguns, cocaine and cannabis. Two occupants of the vehicle were charged with felony charges of Possession of a Firearm by a Gang Member and Possession of a Controlled Substance.

Special Operations received information reference narcotics being sold at a local bar. Three controlled purchases of cocaine were made and a search warrant was obtained. The warrant was executed by the Wheeling Police Department Warrant Service Team and cocaine and United States Currency were located. The offender was charged with felony charges of Possession of a Controlled Substance with the Intent to deliver and Possession of a Controlled Substance.

A Home Invasion / Attempt Murder occurred in Buffalo Grove near the Wheeling border. A message was transmitted by the Buffalo Grove Police Department containing information about the offender. After hearing the information, Special Operations located a subject at a gas station who matched the description of the offender. The subject was detained and searched. A knife with blood on it was located in the subject's boot. The subject was turned over to Buffalo Grove Police Officers, identified as the offender, and charged with multiple felony offenses.



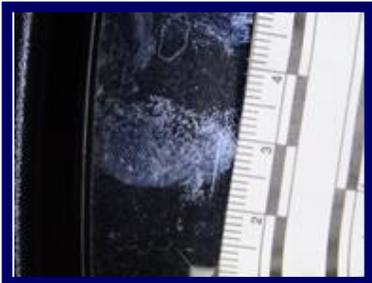
EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN PROGRAM

The Wheeling Police Department has one Corporal, twenty Police Officers and three civilian Community Service Officers who are specially trained as Evidence Technicians. The Evidence Technician program is supervised by Detective Sergeant Joseph Schaff and coordinated by Detective Bernard Conboy. Evidence Technicians are responsible for documenting crime scenes by utilizing digital photography or videotaping, identifying potential evidence, processing evidence, collecting or recovering the evidence as well as preserving and packaging the evidence.

Evidence Technicians initially receive 40 hours of specialized training followed by 24 hours of in-house training at the Wheeling Police Department. Evidence Technicians are constantly receiving training and refining their skills as technology increases. In 2016, Evidence Technicians received 376 hours of advanced training.

In 2016, Evidence Technicians were assigned 279 cases. A total of 97 of these cases were crime scenes where Evidence Technicians processed the scenes to gather physical evidence, biological and / or fingerprint evidence in attempts to link an offender to a particular crime scene. Evidence Technicians were called upon to photograph evidence or injuries received by victims in 182 other incidents. In 23 of the crime scenes processed, Evidence Technicians were able to develop and recovered fingerprint evidence which was sent to the Northeastern Illinois Regional Crime Lab. The crime lab determined that a total of 46 of these recovered fingerprints were comparable and that the fingerprint evidence could possibly be matched to the fingerprints of a victim or the offender.

EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN HIGHLIGHTS



ET Merrill processed a Residential Burglary crime scene and developed / recovered fingerprint evidence. The fingerprint lifts were sent to the crime lab and determined to be suitable for comparison purposes as well as AFIS (Automated Felon Identification System) suitable. An AFIS search was conducted on the fingerprint evidence which identified a suspect. An arrest warrant was obtained for the suspect.

ET Dawson and ET Kaehler processed a Residential Burglary crime scene and recovered a cigarette butt. The cigarette butt was sent to the crime lab and a DNA profile was developed. The DNA profile was run through CODIS (Combined Offender DNA Information System). The CODIS search indicated that the DNA in the Wheeling case was identical to two DNA profiles already in the system from prior Residential Burglaries attributed to the same offender in Buffalo Grove and Northbrook.



ET Conboy processed a Burglary crime scene and recovered a beer bottle which had been left at the scene. The beer bottle was processed and fingerprint evidence was developed. The crime lab determined that the fingerprint evidence was comparable. A suspect was developed and the crime lab was able to positively identify the suspect's fingerprints which had been recovered from the beer bottle.



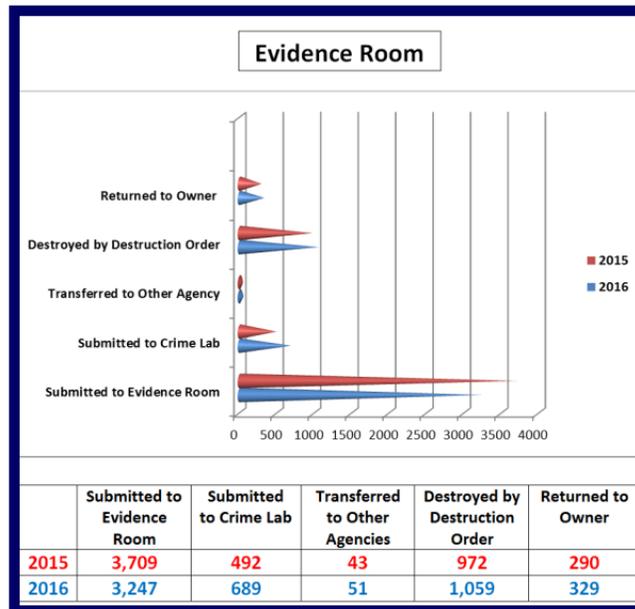
ET Lee and ET Kaiser processed an Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm crime scene in which the victim was shot in the arm. Multiple shell casings were recovered and sent to the crime lab. The shell casings were compared through IBIS (Integrated Ballistics Identification System) and it was determined that the handgun used in this incident was also used in a shooting in North Chicago. The case remains open.

ET Kaehler, ET Kaiser and ET Teichen processed an Attempt Murder crime scene in which the victim was stabbed approximately two dozen times. Blood evidence was recovered and sent to the crime lab. Multiple DNA profiles were developed from the blood evidence. The crime lab was able to positively match the victim’s DNA and one of the suspect’s DNA to the DNA profiles developed from the blood evidence.

ET Kaiser and ET Kim processed a Home Invasion crime scene in which two offenders armed with a handgun forced their way inside a residence. The offenders discarded multiple items including clothing as they fled from the scene and avoided apprehension. The discarded property was recovered and sent to the crime lab. The items were processed and fingerprint evidence was developed / recovered. An AFIS search was conducted on the fingerprint evidence which identified a suspect. The suspect was charged with multiple felony charges including Home Invasion.

EVIDENCE PROPERTY ROOM

The Evidence Room is staffed by one civilian, Evidence / Property Officer Peter Rodgers. The position of Evidence / Property Officer is a specialist position appointed by the Chief of Police. The Evidence / Property Officer is responsible for the receipt, recording, custody, security and disposition of all lost property, evidence, and contraband coming within the custody of the Wheeling Police Department. It is the policy of the Wheeling Police Department to strictly inventory all property which comes into police department control from any source to protect the integrity of the Department. In 2016, a total of 3,247 different pieces of property were submitted into evidence under 1,329 different cases.





MAJOR CASE ASSISTANCE TEAM



In 2016, the Wheeling Police Department transitioned from being a member of the North Regional Major Crimes Task Force (N.O.R.T.A.F.) to becoming a member of the Major Case Assistance Team (M.C.A.T.). The mission and goal of both task forces is the same, to bringing together a team of highly trained and skilled Detectives, Traffic Crash Investigators and Evidence Technicians to investigate major crimes. M.C.A.T. is made up of 23 different northwest suburban police departments and is broken down into five different units: a major crimes unit, a burglary surveillance unit, an officer involved death unit, an evidence technician unit and a traffic crash unit which investigates fatal traffic accidents. The Investigations Unit has one Detective assigned to the evidence technician unit and three Detectives assigned to the major case unit.

WHEELING POLICE DEPARTMENT WARRANT SERVICE TEAM



The Wheeling Police Department Warrant Service Team was formed in 1999. The function of the Warrant Service Team is to assist in different Wheeling Police Department operations when additional resources are required. The team assists in the execution of search and arrest warrants, drug enforcement operations or other missions as designated by the Chief of Police in support of law enforcement operations. The team is led by Sergeant Victor Chirio.





NORTHERN ILLINOIS POLICE ALARM SYSTEM



The Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (N.I.P.A.S.) is a police mutual aid system made up of 93 different law enforcement agencies. N.I.P.A.S. is designed to immediately provide extra police manpower and equipment at the scene of police emergencies. This is done with an automatic and systematic response of police manpower teams to critical incidents. N.I.P.A.S. is staffed by specialized, highly trained personnel who utilize specialized equipment that no single law enforcement agency could afford to maintain. By joining together and pooling resources, the 93 law enforcement agencies making up N.I.P.A.S., have created a team capable of handling any law enforcement emergency. Wheeling Police Department Sergeant Vic Chirio is a member of the N.I.P.A.S. Emergency Services Team and Officer Phil Kim is a member of the N.I.P.A.S. Mobile Field Force.





SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

Commander Pete Panagakis

The Support Services Division is comprised of nine full-time employees and one part-time employee working in Accreditation and Training, Crime Prevention, Information Technology, and the Records Unit. Commander Pete Panagakis and Records Supervisor Katherine Whitehead manage the division and units.

LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCREDITATION

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) was formed in 1979 to establish a body of standards designed to:



- Increase Law enforcement agency capabilities to prevent and control crime.
- Increase agency effectiveness and efficiency in the delivery of law enforcement services.
- Increase cooperation and coordination with other law enforcement agencies and with other agencies of the criminal justice system.
- Increase citizen and employee confidence in the goals, objectives, policies, and practices of the agency.

In addition, the Commission was formed to develop an accreditation process that provides law enforcement agencies an opportunity to demonstrate voluntarily that they meet an established set of professional standards. The Commission began accrediting police agencies in 1986. Initially, accreditation was awarded to agencies for a period of five years, after which agencies must reapply and be subjected to the reassessment process. Currently this process is done every four years. The Wheeling Police Department was first accredited in November of 1990. In November 2015, the Department was reaccredited by the Commission for the ninth time for demonstrating excellence in law enforcement by the continued compliance with the Standards.

RECORDS UNIT

The Records Unit is supervised by Katherine Whitehead. Katherine Whitehead was promoted from within and assigned this position on August 15, 2016 as a working supervisor. One Supervisor, four Records Clerks, and two Volunteers staff the division.

The Police Records Unit is responsible for performing a variety of detailed report preparation, record keeping, distribution and public contact duties. The Records Unit is tasked with the administration and



*Records Clerks:
Shirlee Surges,
Maria Soto,
Kristina Maldonado and
Chris Lascola (absent)
Records Supervisor:
Katherine Whitehead*



maintenance of all department records. All criminal histories, arrest records, police reports, traffic citations, and statistical data are maintained within this division.

2016 Statistics for Records

Crash Reports.....	1,249
Field & Arrest Reports.....	4,158
Citations.....	19,145
Subpoenas processed	1,043
Expungements.....	30
Freedom of Information Requests	522

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

In 2016, our Unit provides 522 FOIA requests. FOIA responses must directly address the details of each request and fully explain any denials, citing the appropriate sections of the Freedom of Information Act. Reviewing records for release to the public is a deliberate and thoughtful process requiring knowledge of state FOIA laws and an ability to interpret and apply those laws to each unique circumstance while keeping in mind that all public records are presumed to be open for inspection.

UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING

The Records Division provides a large volume of statistics to the State of Illinois. In cooperation with the National Crime Information Center, Illinois also requires each police agency to submit monthly reporting on certain crimes. This is called Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR). Accurate UCR reporting takes considerable time and is a meticulous procedure of analysis and judgment.

E-TICKETING PROGRAM

In 2013, our Department began an exploratory trial period with E-Ticketing. Several officers were selected and trained for the Cook County electronic ticket-writing program. Tickets are printed in the squad cars and the data is electronically transferred to the Records Division. In turn, Records does a quality check and uploads the data to the Cook County Clerk’s office. The ultimate goal is a paperless ticketing and information transfer system. In 2016, our department issued and processed over 11,942 citations. In 2017, our Department will be implementing electronic ticketing for Compliance, Parking, and Local Ordinance tickets. This process will allow for instant citation uploads to a database, on-line payments, and intra/inter agency data sharing and communications.

IYE CRASH REPORTING

In 2013, our Department completed a successful transition of traffic crash programs. Our officers were transitioned from the State of Illinois - Mobile Crash Reporting (MCR) Program over to the new IYE Crash Reporting System (Electronic Traffic Crash Report Software). This transition was largely due to the State of Illinois no longer wanting to financially fund the pre-existing program, which required multiple upgrades to continue to function properly. In 2016, our department handled and/or processed 1,249 reports.



TRAINING

The goal of the department is to provide credible up to date training designed to enhance the abilities and professional development of police personnel. The department complies with all mandated Federal, State, and C.A.L.E.A. requirements.

The training room was effectively utilized by hosting various training classes presented by such groups as the prestigious Professional Law Enforcement Training (PLET). PLET prides themselves on ensuring that officers attending a PLET course walk away with actionable skills and knowledge to increase their performance in their respective positions. By hosting the courses, the Wheeling Police Department received up to five free training slots per course saving thousands of dollars in training costs. PLET conducted the following training courses: Knock and Talk Investigations, Cell Phone Investigation Techniques (2-day class), Failure in Criminal Investigations, and Tactical De-escalation.

North East Multi-Regional (NEMRT) Training is one of fourteen Mobile Teams of the Illinois ASSIST Program. They provide in-service training to law enforcement and corrections personnel throughout the metropolitan Chicagoland area. The following NEMRT classes were scheduled and held in the training room: Field Training Officer Refresher, Autism Trainer, John Reid Interview and Interrogation (both the basic and advanced course), A Zero Tolerance Approach to Gangs, Navigating Internal Conflict Within a Police Agency, Ethnic and Cultural Awareness, Basic Background Investigations, and Serious and Fatal Crash Investigations for Evidence Technicians. Again, by hosting these courses, the department received free training slots for the courses that normally have tuition costs such as the Reid Course on Interview and Interrogation. Five sworn officers attended a 24 hour legal update course during 2016. Officers have also attended various NEMRT courses to improve officer safety skills and to enhance the quality of their interactions with the community. Eight officers attended the 40 hour Crisis Intervention Team Training; a course that helps officers to increase their knowledge and skill set when managing people in crisis. Three officers attended the 40 hour Juvenile Specialist Training course and in-house training and are now designated as juvenile officers. One officer attended the 40 State Firearms Instructor course and is now assigned as a firearms instructor. One officer attended the 24 hour Breath Alcohol Operators course and is now a certified Breath Analysis Operator.

The training room was also utilized to host “in house” training including annual Taser training, Defensive Tactics for new officers, and Social Services training. The room was also used to host the Wheeling Police Citizens Police Academy. Law enforcement groups such as the Illinois Tactical Officers Association (ITOA), the NIPAS Emergency Services Team and Field Force, ILEAS and NORCOM/NORTAF utilized the training room for meetings and training. Training included a Basic Swat Course, a training symposium and Rapid Deployment training.

Department members have used the room to facilitate training and meetings for community groups such as the Citizen’s Patrol, Crime Watch, C. A. R. E. and the Wheeling Citizen’s Police Academy Alumni Association. The room was also used during the Police and Children Together Camp (PACT Camp) to promote interaction between at-risk youth and WPD personnel.

Sworn police officers attended over 5,626 hours of training, averaging 91 hours of training per officer. This figure includes 1,200 hours of police academy training for three new officers. The command staff averaged 60 hours of training, down from 70 hours of training in 2015. Sergeants averaged 160 of hours



training, up from 105 hours, this figure included 800 hours of Police Staff and Command Training for Sergeants Elwart and Higham. Field CSO's averaged 7 hours of training, down from 41 hours. The CSO assigned to IT received 0 hours of training, down from 142 hours, and the CSO assigned to crime analysis received 108 hours, up from 98 hours. Communications officers averaged 12 hours of training; down from 31 hours. The records clerks averaged 5 hours of training down from 7 hours.

The totals for sworn personnel training hours includes all mandated annual training including topics such as hazardous material awareness recertification training, LEADS recertification, Blood Borne Pathogens, CPR, use of force and Taser proficiency training. This figure does not include routine monthly training courses held on the firearms range or in roll call. It should be noted that training instructors adjusted their work hours and scheduled training to avoid paying straight time to an officer that would be required to come in on their off-duty time.

The Evidence Technicians program remains strong through structured selection and attendance of skill enhancing NEMRT courses and in-house training. ET Coordinator Detective Conboy facilitates our in-house evidence technician training. He was active in the NORTAF Major Crimes Task Force as an Evidence Technician, and now is active with the Major Case Assistance Team (MCAT) as an evidence technician and has brought back valuable information to enhance our program. Evidence Technician training attendance is being tracked by Sergeant Schaff to ensure all evidence technicians are trained to an optimum level relative to their evidence collection duties. Four officers attended the 40-hour basic evidence technician-training course and were trained in-house so they could assume ET duties during 2016.

Our warrant service team has continued to develop into one of the elite teams in the area. Sergeant Chirio who has been an active operator for the NIPAS Emergency Services Team for many years is the team coordinator. He has ensured that all team members are given quality warrant service team training and estimates that six team training eight-hours in-service sessions were conducted during 2016.

Sergeant Elwart is assigned the duties of Field Training Coordinator and has attended the Managing and Supervising the Field Training Program facilitated by Bruce Sokolove, creator of the Sokolove method of field training recruit police officers. Three officers were trained in the 40-hour Sokolove method and assigned as Field Training Officers during 2016.

All Detectives in the Investigations Division are progressing well in their career path training. Each attended various courses to enhance their job skills. Officers in the traffic unit received a total of approximately 200 hours of advanced traffic crash investigation and related training. The new Crime Prevention officer has received approximately 72 hours of crime prevention related training; to supplement his many hours of previous training he received during his previous tenure as the Crime Prevention officer.

Two Sergeants attended the 400 hour Northwestern University Center for Public Safety (NUCPS) Police Staff and Command Course. Supervisors also attended various tactical and critical incident management courses. One newly appointed Corporal attended the NEMRT 40 hour Supervision for Police course.



Overall, it was an effective year for training. Supervisors continue to be encouraged to monitor, assess and discuss training needs of officers under their command. They are the first line in ensuring training resources are utilized in an effective and efficient manner. Systems are being improved with additional databases to assist supervisors in monitoring compliance with mandated training and required recertification. In partnership with the command staff and training unit, and with support from our stakeholders, officers will receive the optimum amount of training needed to enhance their professional skills.

CRIME PREVENTION UNIT

No citizen is unaffected by crime. Our personal safety is at risk, as well as the ever-present risk of crime effecting the public and private property. The quality of life suffers as the fear of crime increases.

The Wheeling Police Department Crime Prevention Unit’s primary task is to create partnerships within the Community in an effort to reduce the fear of crime, and thus improve each Wheeling resident’s quality of life. Through many of these partnerships, the public is educated on the latest crime trends and provided information on how to prevent these crimes. By breaking down the barriers that separate law enforcement from the public, we hope to open the lines of communication that are critical to keeping the crime rate as low as possible.

Presented below is a synopsis of Crime Prevention Programs and activities for 2016:

Bank Alert and School Alert Program - This program was put in place to notify all Wheeling Banks and Schools of any criminal activity in the area that has the potential to effect them. Notifications are typically made via email, phone, or in person.

Bank Robbery Prevention Program – The Crime Prevention Unit offers Bank Robbery Prevention Training to any Wheeling bank that requests it. This specialized training included the latest FBI statistics for this area. Training concludes with a mock bank robbery so that the employees can put their knowledge to the test. In 2016, Hoyne Savings Bank took advantage of this unique training opportunity.

A Citizen Patrol Volunteer acts as a bank robber during Robbery Prevention Training 2016.



Business Security Surveys – This service is provided by the Crime Prevention Unit to local businesses (or any other publicly accessible facility) which want to ensure they are doing everything within their power to keep their business and employees as safe as possible. The process involves determining the current state of security; identifying any security deficiencies, determining the level or amount of protection needed, and making recommendations for improvement. This may also include



recommendations regarding employee theft, training, and safety. A written report is then provided to the business that summarizes the security measures and recommendations that were addressed during the security survey. All results remain confidential. In 2016, the Crime Prevention Officer completed a specialized 1-week course on conducting business security surveys.

Child Identification Fingerprint Program – This program is extremely popular with families in the community. Whenever there is an event where children are expected, the Crime Prevention Unit makes use of the opportunity to provide this very popular service to parents. Officers or Citizens Patrol members fingerprint the children, and the fingerprint card is turned over to the child’s parents to utilize in case of emergency. The Parents are instructed to place the child’s school picture on the fingerprint card and to fill in the child’s information on the card. They are instructed to update the child’s physical descriptors and photograph yearly as well. In 2016, the Crime Prevention Unit conducted child fingerprinting during the Walt Whitman School Fun Run family event.



A Citizen Patrol Volunteer conducts Fingerprinting in 2016

Citizen Patrol Program – This program is comprised of Wheeling residents who have graduated from the Wheeling Police Department Citizens’ Police Academy. Members donate their time and use of their personal vehicles as a community service to supplement the police department as “extra eyes and ears” on patrol. These volunteers commit to donating a minimum of four hours of service per month and must attend a monthly meeting/training session each month. Not only are members looking for criminal activity, but they also look for safety hazards, burned out traffic control lights and streetlights, etc. In addition to their monthly patrols, they assist with both traffic direction and pedestrian control at crash

scenes and special events. The Citizens Patrol Program is beneficial to both businesses and residents in the community, and its value cannot be underestimated. Membership in the group increased this year from 29 to 43; another indication of the great popularity of this program. Finally, Citizens Patrol volunteers were recognized this year by Senator Richard Durbin for their efforts as they contributed over 1000 hours of volunteer time to the Village of Wheeling.



A Citizens Patrol Meeting in 2016

Citizens Police Academy (CPA) – This program is one of the most powerful tools to educate, inform, and involve community members. The partnerships that develop between the police department and citizens during these outreach programs continue long after graduation day and are a vital component of community oriented policing. Residents, and those who work or go to school in the Village of Wheeling, are invited to apply for the Academy. Applicants are subjected to a background check before being accepted into the program. Our 2016 Academy class had 39 students graduate; a Wheeling record.



The classes are held one night per week for two and one-half hours over a ten-week period. Each week a different topic is taught, including History of the Wheeling Police Department, Station Tour, Crime Prevention, Gangs, Evidence Collection, Traffic Enforcement, Investigations, Social Services, Use of Force, Criminal and Juvenile Law, Narcotics, Weapons, Evidence Collection, etc. The culmination of the Academy experience is a Graduation Dinner where each graduate is given a certificate and the opportunity to sign up for a ride-along with a patrol officer. Students also have the chance to join two very successful programs: the Citizen's Patrol Program and the Wheeling Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association (WCPAAA). For 2016, we implemented a scenario-based Shoot/Don't Shoot program, which allowed the students to experience in real-time some of the things police officers have to deal with in the course of their duties. This opportunity was timely, in light of the intense media scrutiny of law enforcement in recent years.



A Citizens Patrol Academy Class in 2016

Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAA) – Dating back to the nineties, graduates of the Citizens Police Academy were so impressed with their experience that they wanted to do more. With that, the *Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association* was born. CPAAA members continue to volunteer their time to the CPA by assisting with administrative tasks associated with running the program, as well as by providing treats for the students during their class breaks. These volunteers of the CPAAA, (a 501(c) (3) organization) meet monthly at the WPD and plan upcoming fundraisers. The money earned at these fundraisers is donated back to the Wheeling Police Department for the purchase of items that our agency does not have the funds for. Volunteer membership in this group is very strong evidence of the success of our outreach efforts.

Coffee With A Cop – New this year, the Wheeling Police Department participated in the popular nationwide *Coffee with a Cop* program. The power of the program is that it offers the police and community a way to connect in a low-key, enjoyable way that opens up the lines of communications between law enforcement and the public. It also provided a local business (Dunkin' Donuts) an opportunity to participate in the event that serves the public.

Community Crime Watch Meetings – Monthly *Crime Watch Meetings* are an opportunity for residents and Wheeling Business owners to meet with Wheeling Police Officers, learn about what is happening in the community, and potentially solve problems together. Meetings take place on the 1st Wednesday of the month at the police department. All members of the community are invited to participate in these open meetings, where citizen concerns are addressed and methods to resolve these issues are discussed as well. At the end of each meeting, a different crime prevention topic is presented and discussed. Typical monthly training topics include: Winter Storm Safety, Legal Updates, Tax Season ID Theft Scams, Tornado & Disaster Planning, Fraud Prevention, Fire Safety, ATM Skimming Awareness, Ruse Burglaries, Holiday Crime Prevention Tips, Active Shooter Awareness, Preventing Mail Theft, Gangs, Crime Mapping and RFID-Credit Card Theft, Crime Prevention through Environmental Design, and



Residential Burglary Prevention. All members of the community are invited to participate in these open meetings. Attendance varies from month to month depending on the time of year and if there are any major incidents occurring in the Village or the news. The Meetings are advertised in the village newsletter, village website, on the electronic message board located in front of Village Hall, on public access television channel 17, via email contacts and occasionally in the local newspapers.

Crime-Free-Multi-Housing (CFMH) - This program is a unique, three-phase certification program for rental properties of all sizes, including single-family rental homes. Phase I is attained upon the completion of an eight-hour program taught by police personnel. The training session stresses the importance of criminal background checks for all renters, the use of a crime-free lease addendum, the eviction process and criminal activity to be on the lookout for within their rental units. The second (optional) phase is where the owner puts what they learned in Phase I training into practice. This covers the physical structure/surroundings and how to make the structure as safe as possible through the use of CPTED (**C**rime **P**revention **T**hrough **E**nvironmental **D**esign) strategies. These strategies include keeping landscaping trimmed away from windows and doors, adequate lighting, proper locking mechanisms, and hardware, etc. After inspection and passing Phase II, the property must complete the third phase to be fully certified, which includes having a "Safety Social" for all of the residents. This police-sponsored program represents a simple, yet extremely effective effort in reducing criminal activity in rental properties. Both the Foxboro and VIP apartment communities have completed all three phases of certification. In 2016, the Crime Prevention Unit recommended the use of a CFMH ordinance to mandate participation in the program by property owners.

Fun Run - The Crime Prevention & Traffic Unit teamed up with Whitman School in 2016 to host a Fun Run and Family Celebration. The event draws families from all over Wheeling and encourages fitness for the entire family. This event provides officers with the opportunity to interact with the public in a positive way and portrays officers as positive role models in physical fitness. Safety information is also disseminated to attendees, and Child Fingerprinting took place with the assistance of Citizens Patrol volunteers.



*Crime Prevention Officer Laverd
at the Whitman Fun Run in 2016*

Graffiti Removal Program – The Crime Prevention Officer worked with the Patrol Unit to get graffiti removed as soon as possible within the village. Once patrol officers are aware of graffiti in the village, the report is forwarded to the Crime Prevention Officer for follow up. At that time, the Crime Prevention Officer contacts the owner to ensure that the graffiti is removed within a reasonable amount of time. The goal of this partnership is to send a message to gang members that the community will not tolerate this crime, hopefully leading to a reduction in future occurrences of criminal defacement.



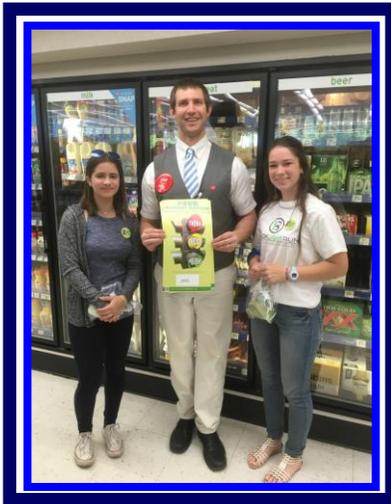
Helping Hands Committee – The Crime Prevention Officer is a Helping Hands Committee member. The Committee organized three fundraisers in 2016 to raise money for both the Wheeling Police and Fire Department charities. These fundraisers (Golf Outing, Buffet Dinner and Music, and a Pig Roast) collectively raised money that went to fund the Fire Department’s Burn Camp participation, their annual Coat Drive, and the Police Department’s Shop with the Cops program.

Law Enforcement Exhibition – The Wheeling Police Department continues to be invited to this annual event in which many agencies contribute officers and equipment. Over the course of two days in September 2016, officers had the opportunity to meet hundreds of people that were attending the exhibit at the Hawthorne Mall in Vernon Hills, IL.



Volunteers Assist in Vernon Hills, 2016

Local Partnerships – In 2016, the Crime Prevention Unit teamed up with OMNI Youth Services to combat underage drinking. The Crime Prevention Officer, with the help of local high school students, participated in Operation Sticker Shock, a program that places signage where alcohol can be purchased, designed to discourage underage drinking.



High School Volunteers pose with Local Store Manager during Operation Sticker Shock, 2016

National Night Out – Wheeling celebrated our ninth annual National Night Out in 2016. In Wheeling, National Night Out is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness
- Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back against criminal activity

National Night Out for Wheeling has been a localized event where anti-crime themed block parties are held in Neighborhood Watch areas throughout the village. The feedback has been extremely positive due to the interactions with police as well as the fire departments, which also join in on the event, visiting each



of the individual neighborhoods. This program is very successful and is another means for the public to take advantage of the opportunity to interact with police officers in a positive manner.

On the Sunday preceding *National Night Out*, the police department holds a *Rocking with the Cops National Night Out Kick-Off Party*, which is held at the Wheeling Aquatic Center. There is a raffle, and participants swim, dance and eat, all courtesy of the Wheeling Police Department and the Wheeling Park District. The event also offers residents to mingle with police Wheeling Village Board community personnel in a The participation in *National* continues to be very strong abating. There is a discussion event may be held in one, future.



Crime Prevention Officer Laverd Makes a Visit for National Out in 2016

the opportunity for officers, firefighters, members and other relaxed, fun environment. *Night Out* program and shows no signs of that this very successful central location in the

Neighborhood Watch – This program relies on the active participation of Wheeling residents who volunteer to look out for and report suspicious activity in their neighborhoods in an effort to help curb crime. Volunteer Block Captains conduct regular meetings, so residents have the opportunity to get to know their neighbors while being educated on how to watch for criminal activity. Neighborhood Watch meetings include representative(s) from the police department who present information and safety tips to the volunteers and provide a forum for questions and feedback. Wheeling has over 16 Neighborhood Watch areas. This program is an excellent opportunity to keep people informed about crime in their community while providing tools to control crime in the area. This program helps provide a sense of community and holds residents accountable for what is happening in their area.

Neighborhood Mediation – Often, the Patrol Unit continues to respond to the same addresses for the same problems. Neighbor disputes are a perfect example of this. When neighbor disputes prove too difficult for the Patrol Division to “solve,” the Crime Prevention Unit will often attempt an effort at mediation between the neighbors. In 2016, the Crime Prevention Unit conducted two mediation events with two different sets of neighbors, with positive results.

Residential Security Surveys – The Crime Prevention Unit offers a free service to residents where a specially trained officer visits the resident’s home and together, they walk through the home and assess the security of the interior and exterior of the home. The exterior of the residence is checked for issues with overgrown landscaping and inadequate lighting. From the inside of the home, we check for quality locks on door and windows and analyze any other possible security deficiencies within the home. The survey is based on the CPTED principles that are part of the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program. The results of this survey are private and are not shared with anyone but the homeowner. Afterward, the homeowner is provided with a written report with information on how to “harden the target,” which gives suggestions on improving the security of the residence. Moreover, although residents are told that nothing



is completely fail-safe as far as becoming a victim of a residential burglary, the measures discussed should greatly reduce the likelihood of it occurring if they make the changes that are suggested during their security assessment. This program continues to be very successful and is vastly utilized by residents.

Recruiting – The Crime Prevention Unit attends college and job fairs for recruitment of eligible police officer applicants. The goal in attending these events is to recruit qualified candidates interested in testing to become a Wheeling Police Officer. In 2016, the Crime Prevention Unit attended the law enforcement recruitment fair at Lewis University. Contact was made with Criminal Justice students at this event. Interested candidates were informed of the numerous benefits of becoming a Wheeling Police Officer as well as information on our upcoming police officer testing. This is a great opportunity to display the Wheeling Police Department to potential applicants.

Rocking With The Cops – This program is offered to any multi-family community in Wheeling that has a pool. The organization of the event is entirely planned by the community that is hosting the event. Food and drinks are served, and music and activities are provided. These events are promoted within the complex as a police-community partnership event and are always well attended. The Crime Prevention Unit uses the opportunity to further reduce barriers between residents and law enforcement with great results.



Local Wheeling Children Dancing at a Local Event in 2016

Safety Education Program - This program was developed to assist local private schools, daycare facilities, preschools, park programs and other facilities with safety training and assistance. The Crime Prevention Unit has provided everything from lockdown assistance, to educating children on various safety topics. Every year these presentations are specifically tailored for adults and students based on the needs of the facility or group. This continues to be a valued service as it fills a void for organizations that do not have access to expert advice in these areas.

Senior Citizen Outreach Programs – The Crime Prevention Unit attends the monthly Senior Commission meetings as well as a monthly Senior Lunch event hosted by the Human Services Department. Presence at the Senior Commission meetings gives seniors an opportunity to report a crime that they are aware of but did not report (crimes against seniors all too often go unreported). During the monthly lunches, the Crime Prevention Officer conducts a crime prevention presentation tailor-made for senior citizens. Some of the topics covered include Scams, Internet Safety, Home Safety and Ruse Entry Scams.



Shop With The Cops – The Wheeling Police Department, with the help of the Human Services Department planned and organized the annual *Shopping with the Cops* program. This program benefits

needy families in the village in that it provides them money to buy Christmas gifts they otherwise could not afford. As always, Wheeling Police officers came out to volunteer their time to this rewarding event, and each took a child shopping for Christmas presents for their family and themselves. The twenty-five children (ages 5-11) were identified through recommendations by village and school district social workers based on financial need. Each was provided a Walmart gift card for \$150, as well as one \$50 gift card to be used only for food. This program would not exist were it for the generous donations of both the Wheeling Helping Hands Committee and the Walmart Corporation.



Corporal Musolf poses with Children during Shop with the Cops in 2016

Speakers Bureau – Many local businesses, professional organizations, community groups and homeowners associations take advantage of the Crime Prevention Speakers Bureau. Any topic related to crime and safety can be presented to groups upon request. This is another fantastic tool the Crime Prevention Unit uses to reach people with valuable safety and crime prevention tips. It also provides an opportunity for residents to meet Wheeling Police Officers in a positive, problem-solving and team-building atmosphere.

Station Tours – This program is offered to local youth and community organizations that wish to have an inside look at the police department. Many youth, camp and scout groups take advantage of this opportunity to visit the police station and learn about the different units that operate to protect and serve the Village of Wheeling. Child Fingerprinting is sometimes incorporated into these visits depending on the age of the group. Educational opportunities and scout badge work are sometimes provided as well for groups that are interested.

Wellness Fairs – The Crime Prevention Unit proudly participates in Community Health and Wellness Fairs. In 2016, the Crime Prevention Unit attended the Community Health and Wellness Fair at Jack London Middle School. Safety and Drug Awareness information was disseminated, and questions were answered for residents. This is another opportunity for the residents of Wheeling to interact with police officers in a non-threatening, positive environment.



Jack London Middle School Wellness Fair in 2016



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Community Service Officer Jacek Trzebunia serves as the department's IT Technician. To ensure that the police department is current with constantly evolving technological trends, Community Service Officer/IT Tech Trzebunia is responsible for the implementation, administration, and maintenance of all department computer systems and programs, including desktop, laptop, and Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) video camera, portable and mobile radios, along with hardware and software applications.

Listed below you can find a summary of the projects and programs performed in 2016

- Information Technology Trouble Tickets: WPD – 559, DPPD – 21
- Video Exports from Security System or Coban: 59
- Assist with vehicle changeover (4 squads)
- Replace Admin Conference room TV with projector and screen
- Replace 6 building security cameras, assist PW Building Services with camera security system at the Metra station (install network hardware & 8 cameras)
- Coordinate/maintain dispatch software and hardware, radio and phone systems
- Participate in planning for MSI Parking ticket project
- Replaced old Cisco Wi-Fi access points with Ubiquity Unifi Wi-Fi APs
- Install Lobby security monitor requested
- Video Security system upgrade from OnSSI to Milestone



Community Service Officer/IT Technician Jacek Trzebunia

Listed below you will find a summary of the anticipated projects and programs for 2017

- Dispatch expansion projects (FD or PD coming on board)
- Participation in Starcom21 radio system implementation
- 10 New Computer Workstations for PD
- Recycle Old Computer Equipment
- Tritech Web RMS / FBR Upgrade
- Tritech Inform CAD / Mobile Upgrades
- Participate in implementing MSI Parking ticket software
- Copier for Dispatch



COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

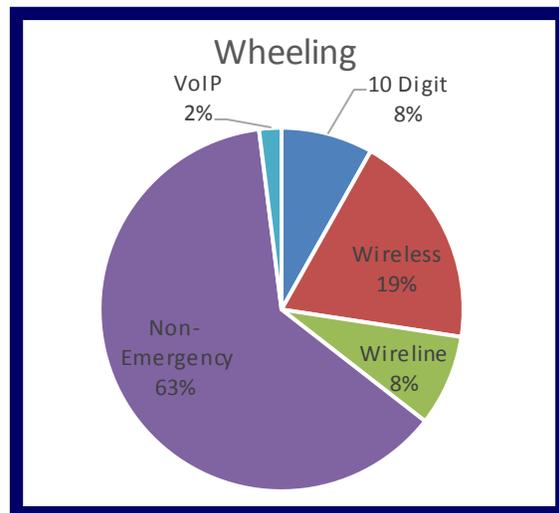
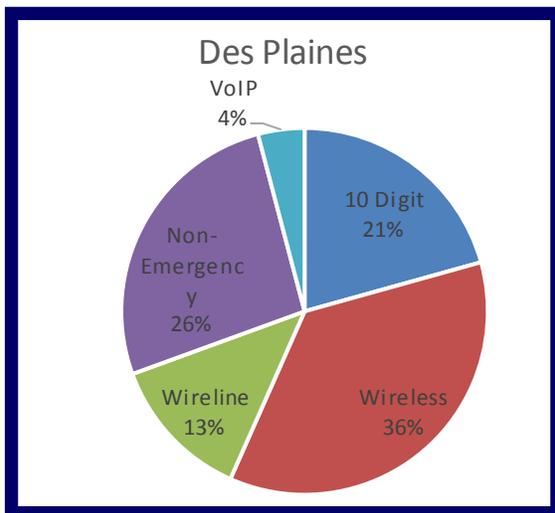
Manager Rocella Rodgers



The Wheeling 9-1-1 Center provides 24-hour, 7-day-a-week services for the Village of Wheeling and the City of Des Plaines with a combined population of 97,000. We strive to manage all requests efficiently and accurately in a manner that leaves the public and emergency responders confident in the performance of the Center.



On average, the Center handles 460 telephone calls per day and dispatches approximately 77,410 calls for service annually; not all calls for service required a case report. The Center is staffed by a total of twenty full-time telecommunicators, which includes four Team Leaders, and 4 part-time telecommunicators. The personnel assigned are responsible for performing a broad range of duties to ensure the prompt answering of incoming requests for police, fire, and emergency medical services and the timely and efficient dispatch of police units in response to those requests.





EFFICIENCY

The NENA (National Emergency Number Agency) standard for answering a 9-1-1 call states that 90% of all calls, during the busiest hour, should be answered within 10 seconds and that 95% of all calls should be answered within 20 seconds.

In 2016, the Wheeling 911 Center surpassed the NENA standards; **the Center answered 98.73% of all calls within 10 seconds.**

TEXT TO 9-1-1

Wheeling Police Department accepts text to 9-1-1, however many surrounding areas do not. In the event text to 9-1-1 is not available, you will receive a bounce back message indicating to make a voice call. You should only text to 9-1-1 if you are unable to make a voice call. If you do not receive a response for a text to 9-1-1 call, make a voice call.



TIPS

- Due to dispatching for multiple jurisdictions and cell phone technology, a caller should know the intersection/address and town where assistance is needed. Stay on the line until the telecommunicator tells you to disconnect.
- Answer all of the Telecommunicator's questions.
- 9-1-1 should not be used to report utility outages (power, gas, cable, etc.), contact your provider.
- When Outdoor Warning Sirens are activated, seek shelter immediately. There is no "All Clear" siren or signal. As a reminder, sirens are tested the first Tuesday of the month at 10am.
- If you have a VoIP (Voice of Internet Protocol) phone (Comcast, Vonage, AT&T), make sure to test 9-1-1 to ensure the call is routed to the proper dispatch center and the information that displays is correct. To do this, simply call 9-1-1 and explain that you are testing your VoIP phone for accuracy. Remember, VoIP phones do not work during power outages.



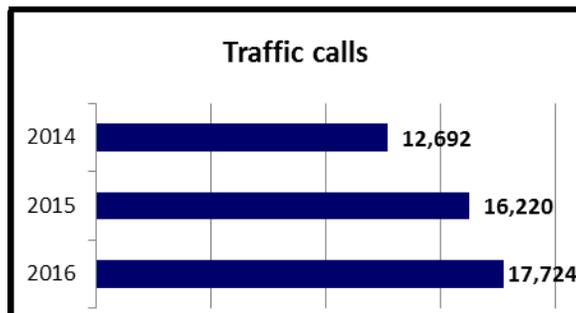
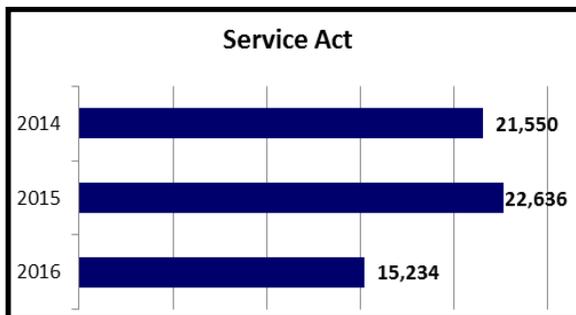
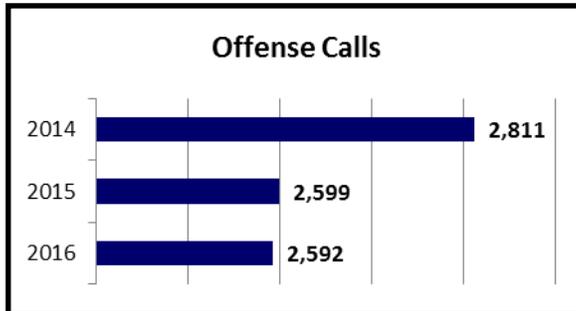
LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

In 2017, the Communications Center is migrating to a state of the art radio system known as STARCOM 21. It is a statewide, 700/800 MHz System, with over 270 radio tower sites across the state and Project 25 compliant. It is also a digital, trunked voice radio network that will expand our communication capabilities and network.

The system is designed to be used by a variety of users, including State, County and local agencies as well as approved Critical Infrastructure providers.



2014-2016 Statistical Report



	2016	2015	2014
Homicide/ Attempt	0	0	0
Criminal Sexual Assault	16	12	10
Robbery	6	9	13
Aggravated Battery	17	11	8
Aggravated Assault	21	16	9
Burglary	60	76	100
Burglary to Motor Vehicle	80	67	99
Theft	294	267	280
Motor Vehicle Theft	19	9	13
Arson	1	0	1
Total Part I Crimes	514	467	533
Battery	257	268	265
Assault	8	4	4
Deception	173	205	222
Criminal Damage/ Trespass	285	273	314
Deadly Weapons	8	12	7
Sex Offenses	18	15	20
Gambling	0	0	0
Offenses Involving Children	47	42	40
Cannabis Control Act Violation	84	79	51
Controlled Substance Act Violation	15	13	3
Drug Paraphernalia Act Violation	11	6	7
Liquor Control Act Violation	13	21	27
Motor Vehicle Offenses	663	660	753
Disorderly Conduct	156	229	228
Interference with Public Officials	11	7	2
Intimidation	7	1	0
Visitation Interference/ Kidnapping	9	3	7
Violation of Criminal Registry Laws	1	0	0
Other Offenses	312	294	328
Total Part II Crimes	2,078	2,132	2,278
Total Offenses	2,592	2,599	2,811
Service to Other Agencies	1,542	726	763
Public Service	3,326	12,480	12,100
Public Complaints	4,977	4,948	4,983
Lost/Found/Missing	342	334	315
Mental Health Calls	83	74	27
Suicides	5	4	2
Suicide Attempts	12	12	7
Death Investigation	53	35	40
Miscellaneous Department Activities	2,924	0	3,313
Other Service Activities	1,970	4,023	0
Total Services/ Activity	15,234	22,636	21,550
Traffic & Traffic Related Activities	3,225	4,344	3,929
Traffic Crashes	1,262	1,322	1,218
Traffic Stops	13,237	10,554	7,545
Total Traffic	17,724	16,220	12,692
Total	35,550	41,455	37,053



Department Awards & Letters of Commendations Part 1

CASE #	DATE	OFFICER	AWARD
16-01697	01/18/16	Officer Ladesic *125	Department Life Saving Award
16-01697	01/18/16	Officer Komin *108	Department Life Saving Award
16-03431	02/05/16	Officer Lee *102	Department Letter of Commendation
16-08165	03/26/16	Officer Smolarczyk *116	Department Letter of Commendation
16-08264	03/27/16	Officer Komin *108	Department Letter of Commendation
16-13094	05/14/16	Officer Dawson *146	Department Letter of Commendation
16-11068	06/02/16	Officer Teichen *158	Department Letter of Commendation
16-11068	06/02/16	Officer Potter *138	Department Letter of Commendation
16-11068	06/02/16	Officer Rossi *145	Department Letter of Commendation
16-11068	06/02/16	Officer Komin *108	Department Letter of Commendation
16-11068	06/02/16	Officer Kaehler *159	Department Letter of Commendation
16-11068	06/02/16	Detective Messina *140	Department Letter of Commendation
16-11068	06/02/16	Detective Bieschke *107	Department Letter of Commendation
16-11068	06/02/16	Detective Rogers *152	Department Letter of Commendation
16-11068	06/02/16	Corporal Borchardt *153	Department Letter of Commendation
15-04202	06/03/16	Officer Kim *147	Department Letter of Commendation
15-04202	06/03/16	Officer Jahnke *133	Department Letter of Commendation
15-04202	06/03/16	Detective Pinedo *120	Department Letter of Commendation
15-04202	06/03/16	Detective Oropeza *154	Department Letter of Commendation
15-04202	06/03/16	Detective Messina *140	Department Letter of Commendation
15-04202	06/03/16	Detective Bieschke *107	Department Letter of Commendation
15-04202	06/03/16	Detective Rogers *152	Department Letter of Commendation
15-04202	06/03/16	Detective Conboy *113	Department Letter of Commendation
16-14545	06/06/16	Officer Herdus *128	Department Letter of Commendation
16-14545	06/06/16	Officer Smolarczyk *116	Department Letter of Commendation
NA	06/07/16	Officer Wieder *141	Department Letter of Commendation
NA	06/07/16	I.T. Trzebunia *357	Department Letter of Commendation
NA	06/07/16	Sergeant Carmody *79	Department Letter of Commendation
NA	06/08/16	Dispatcher Gamez *367	Department Letter of Commendation
NA	06/08/16	Dispatcher Kelly *365	Department Letter of Commendation
15-32824	06/17/16	Analyst Salazar *355	Department Letter of Commendation
15-18903	06/17/16	Detective Oropeza *154	Department Letter of Commendation
16-15502	06/21/16	Officer Rossi *145	Department Life Saving Award
16-15502	06/21/16	Detective Bieschke *107	Department Life Saving Award
15-35964	06/27/16	CSO Merrill *351	Department Letter of Commendation
15-38044	06/27/16	CSO Merrill *351	Department Letter of Commendation
16-16603	06/16/16	Officer Martorano *148	Department Life Saving Award
16-16603	06/16/16	Officer Bulanda *131	Department Life Saving Award
16-18510	07/20/16	Officer Komin *108	Department Letter of Commendation



Department Awards & Letters of Commendations Part 2

CASE #	DATE	OFFICER	AWARD
16-18510	07/20/16	Detective Bieschke *107	Department Letter of Commendation
16-18510	07/20/16	Sergeant Chirio *75	Department Letter of Commendation
16-19159	09/07/16	Officer Bonk *111	Department Letter of Commendation
16-19440	09/17/16	Sergeant Chirio *75	Department Letter of Commendation
16-19440	09/17/16	Officer Kanches *126	Department Letter of Commendation
16-19440	09/17/16	Detective Frey *157	Department Letter of Commendation
16-19440	09/17/16	Detective Messina *140	Department Letter of Commendation

2016 Wheeling Department Traffic Awards

OFFICER	AWARD
Officer Richardson *130	Traffic Officer of the Year
Officer Richardson *130	D.U.I. Enforcement Officer of the Year
Officer Dawson *146	Occupant Restraint Officer of the Year
Officer Bulanda *131	Speed Enforcement Officer of the Year

OFFICER	QUARTERLY TRAFFIC OFFICER AWARD
Officer Richardson *130	1 st Quarter – Traffic Enforcement
Officer Bulanda *131	2 nd Quarter – Traffic Enforcement
Officer Bulanda *131	3 rd Quarter – Traffic Enforcement
Officer Richardson *130	4 th Quarter – Traffic Enforcement

OFFICER	AWARD
Officer Richardson *130	Speed Enforcement Officer
Officer Bonk *111	Speed Enforcement Officer

OFFICER	AWARD
Officer Vallas *132	D.U.I. Enforcement Officer
Officer Bulanda *131	D.U.I. Enforcement Officer

OFFICER	AWARD
Officer Bulanda *131	Occupant Restraint Officer
Officer Richardson *130	Occupant Restraint Officer

OFFICER	ALLIANCE AGAINST INTOXICATED MOTORIST (A.A.I.M.) AWARD
Officer Richardson *130	D.U.I. Enforcement Award
Officer Vallas *132	D.U.I. Enforcement Award
Officer Bulanda *131	D.U.I. Enforcement Award



MEMORANDUM

To: Chief James Dunne

From: Deputy Chief Todd Wolff

Date: January 04, 2016

Subject: Analysis of Administrative Reviews for 2016

Number	Complainant	Date	Disposition	Action
16-01	Performance of Duty Insubordination	09/27/16	Sustained	1 day suspension
16-02	Unsatisfactory Performance Incompetency Insubordination	11/30/16	Sustained	1 day suspension
16-03	Excessive Use of Force	11/30/16	Sustained	2 days suspension
16-04	Performance of Duty	12/07/16	Sustained	Formal Reprimand
16-05	Unsatisfactory Performance Use of Force	12/14/16	Sustained	Formal Reprimand

Above is the annual statistical summary of internal affairs investigations conducted in 2016 pursuant to Standard Operating Procedure A-8 and CALEA Standard 52.1.5. The report is included on the Village of Wheeling Website at www.wheelingil.gov which is available to the public and all department employees.

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