

# ***Wentzville Police Department Annual Report 2022***



***“To Serve our Public with Integrity and Empathy”***

To Our Community:

The Wentzville Police Department continues to emphasize community engagement. We are currently at the end of developing a survey program that will allow citizens who come into contact with Wentzville Police Department staff to provide feedback on their experience. We will use this information to tweak the manner in which we provide services to our community.

We continue our community outreach programs such as Citizen Police Academy, Teen Police Academy, Welcome to Wentzville program and National Night Out. We have other programs such as Cops and Bobbers, Coffee with a Cop and Trunk or Treat events. We are constantly scanning, looking for opportunities to engage with our community in our efforts to “humanize the badge.”

One of our programs, the Business Residential Liaison Officer program, has met with great success. This officer has the responsibility of interacting with members of our business district and offers suggestions to reduce problems like shoplifting, employee theft, and other related issues. He is our in-house referee who intercedes in long-term neighborhood disputes, often bringing people together to find peaceful solutions for these types of problems.

The Wentzville Police Department recognizes the importance of regional partnerships. While we still participate in joint agency programs to provide more effective and diverse services to this City such as the St. Charles County Regional Drug Task Force and St. Charles County Regional S.W.A.T, we have recently participated in the development of the St. Charles County Regional Critical Incident Response Team which is a regional approach to critical incidents such as officer involved shootings. Having a regional team look at a situation such as that provides for transparency and accountability and instills public confidence in our police department. Additionally, the Wentzville Police Department has recently become involved in the St. Charles County Regional Crime Interdiction Task Force. This is a regional proactive effort where each agency in the County assigns officers to a team that is charged with looking for and addressing criminal activity. This team has been very successful in addressing these types of issues.

The Wentzville Police Department supports and participates in the St. Louis County Major Case Squad. This unit provides a means to assist ourselves and our neighboring communities in solving acts of heinous or high-profile crimes occurring in that community. We provide investigators and report writers for the Squad. For the first time ever, we had one of our Sergeants command a Major Case Squad investigation. This investigation came to a successful conclusion where a suspect was taken into custody and significant evidence was recovered pointing to that person's guilt.

In 2018, the city joined the St. Charles County Regional Emergency Management Operations Center, wherein agencies within the county share resources for planning, preparing and responding to catastrophic events, incidents and emergencies. The Wentzville Police Department has one Emergency Management Officer assigned to the Regional Emergency Operations Center.

In 2019, the Wentzville Police Department earned accreditation through the Missouri Police Chiefs Association and we submitted our files for recertification in 2021. The accreditation process is a rigorous process that ensures the department has established policies that are current and follow the best practices of law enforcement nationwide. The department must meet over 400 standards in order to become accredited.

As stated in our department’s mission statement, we are “dedicated to delivering Constitutionally sound, superior law enforcement services with professionalism; ensuring citizens peacefully and safely enjoy their lives, building strong partnerships and relationships with residents, visitors, and businesses in the City of Wentzville while demanding the officers who serve and the staff that supports does so with the utmost pride, unmatched courage and unwavering integrity.” The department’s adopted slogan summarizes this mission: **“Public Service with Integrity”**

The police department supports a strong sense of community, caring for one another, values and principles of good citizenship, and a quality of service that contributes to the common good. It is the vision of this police department to ensure Wentzville remains a safe city to live, work, play and grow. Cooperation and partnerships between the police, the public, the business and professional communities, and our elected officials are paramount to the success of maintaining social order in a positive manner.

Respectfully,



# ***WENTZVILLE POLICE STATISTICAL REPORT***

**2022**

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# ***Wentzville Police Department***

## **MISSION STATEMENT:**

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## **VISION:**

To ensure Wentzville remains a safe city to live, work, play and grow.

## **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this report is to show statistical data of the police department and the crime trends it experiences.



# ***Wentzville Police Department***

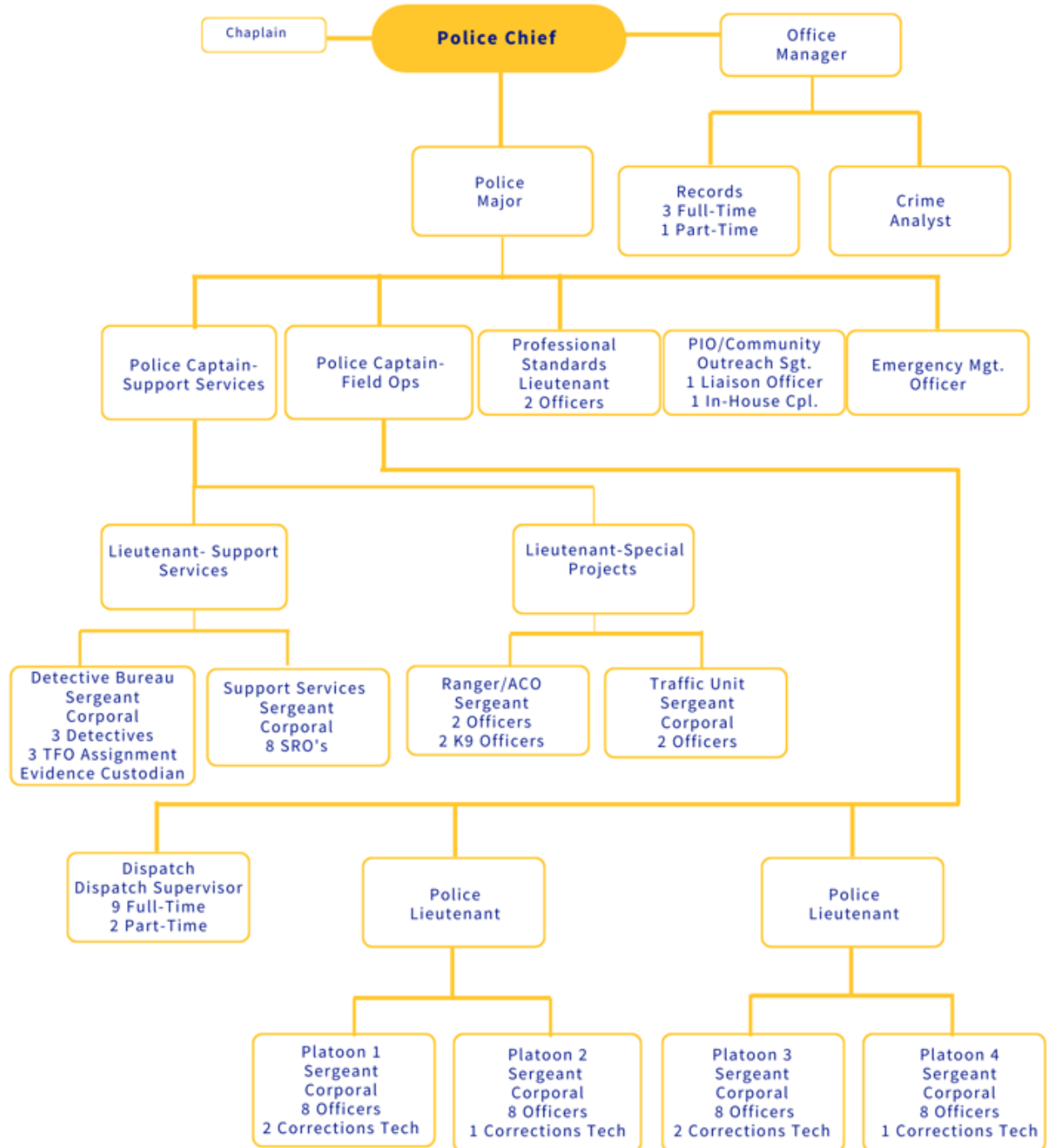


## ***Organizational Composite Section***

**2022**

## Organizational Chart:

### POLICE 2022





## ***Wentzville Police Department***

### ***Divisions:***

The Wentzville Police Department is comprised of 82 commissioned law enforcement officers along with 20 full-time and several part-time support staff employees. Chief Paul West leads the agency which is comprised of two divisions: Field Operations and Support Services Divisions. He also oversees the Records Division. Major Leon Burton is the Assistant Chief of Police and manages the Captain of Support Services, the Captain of Field Operations, the Professional Standards Unit and the Emergency Management Specialist. Captain Kevin Pyatt commands the Field Operations Division and Captain Emmanuel Borroum commands the Support Services Division.

The Field Operations Division is comprised of all the Patrol Platoons, the Communications Center, the Corrections Division, and the K9 Unit. Patrol Officers are the backbone of the department and serve the community at large by responding to a variety of calls for service while combining a proactive approach to crime prevention by actively patrolling the neighborhoods and business areas.

The Support Services Division consists of all supporting functions of the police department. Encompassed in this Division are the Detective Bureau, School Resource Officers, Traffic Unit, Animal Control Officers, and Park Rangers.

The department embraces new technology and continually looks for improvements that will keep us on the cutting edge of advancement. The department has several small Unmanned Aerial Systems (sUAS) (Drones), body cameras, FARO system, Taser7 (Electronic Control Devices), Evidence.com video storage and in 2021, purchased 15 FLOCK license plate readers and purchased a database called Idicore that the detectives use in their investigations.





# ***Wentzville Police Department***



**2022**

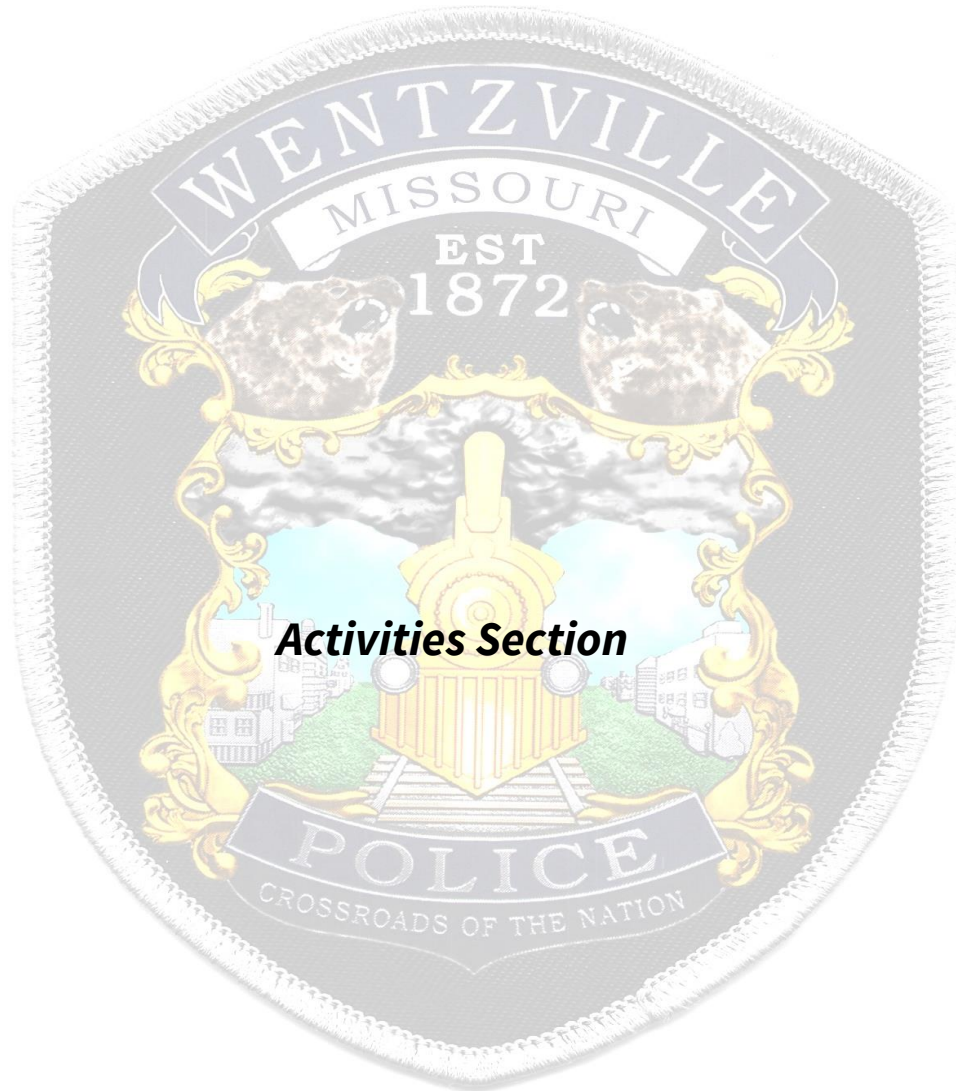
**Budget Information:**

<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>
Personnel Services	7,683,467	8,319,376	8,685,995	9,258,465	10,225,362
Other Services	487,093	515,370	524,567	634,880	678,264
Supplies	364,774	410,395	344,276	410,417	243,584
Repairs/Maintenance	100,525	106,457	87,554	99,880	51,342
Contract Service	90,840	115,247	86,810	101,795	113,167
Capital Outlay	1,489,631	444,776	681,988	737,664	951,555
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>10,216,330</b>	<b>9,911,621</b>	<b>10,411,189</b>	<b>11,243,101</b>	<b>12,263,274</b>

Among other responsibilities, the Administrative Section (Chief) is accountable for the formation, creation, submission, implementation, and maintenance of budget expenditures for the Police Department's operation.



# ***Wentzville Police Department***



## ***Activities Section***

**2022**

## National Incident Based Reporting (NIBRS)

The Records Department has been submitting statistical data to the FBI and the State of Missouri through NIBRS since 2017. This change was made due to NIBRS being mandated for all agencies to convert from UCR to NIBRS by the year 2021.

NIBRS allows for an agency to submit up to 10 offenses that occurred with one incident, rather than just the main offense that the UCR summary-based program allowed. An example would be if there was an assault and a theft that occurred, with UCR, we would only report the assault; with NIBRS we will report both the assault and the theft.

In NIBRS, there are Group A and Group B offenses. There are 52 Group A offenses that we report. With the Group A offenses, NIBRS counts the offenses, as well as the arrests for those crimes. There are 10 Group B offenses. For these type offenses, NIBRS will only count the arrest.

UCR and NIBRS both have Crimes against Property and Crimes against Persons. However, with NIBRS, they have added a third category of Crimes against Society. Crimes against Society are typically victimless crimes, such as curfew violations, disorderly conduct, runaways, or trespassing.

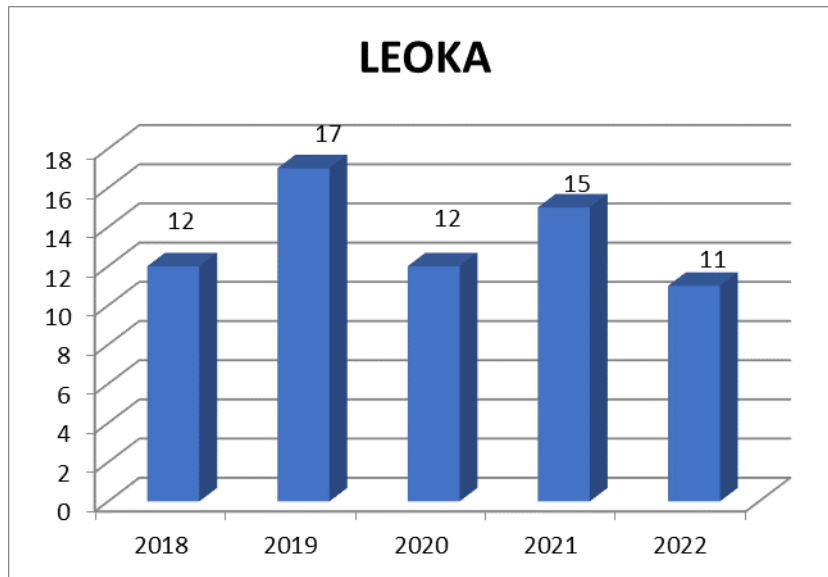
### Group A Offenses Reported/Cleared:

Crimes Against Persons	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Cleared
Murder	0	0	1	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	1	0
Kidnapping	8	9	3	1	1	0
Rape	11	9	11	10	12	2
Sodomy	6	3	4	3	5	2
Sex Assault w/Object	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	7	8	3	4	4	2
Incest	0	1	0	0	4	1
Statutory Rape	3	0	4	3	1	0
Aggravated Assault	72	65	79	90	115	87
Simple Assault	278	422	436	429	517	351
Intimidation	47	77	81	39	64	46
Human Trafficking-Commercial	0	0	0	0	0	0
Human Trafficking-Invol Servitude	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Offenses	432	594	622	579	724	491

Crimes Against Property	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Cleared
Arson	2	0	2	0	0	0
Bribery	0	0	0	0	1	0
Burglary	45	45	42	20	34	12
Counterfeiting/Forgery	28	16	32	20	10	1
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	47	51	72	49	75	21
Embezzlement	17	7	19	15	12	10
Extortion/Blackmail	0	5	0	2	3	0
Fraud-Pretenses/Swindle/Conf Game	78	71	140	76	78	25
Fraud-Credit Card	60	59	55	40	56	4
Impersonation	3	27	11	28	22	20
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wire Fraud	21	31	51	62	46	1
Identity Theft	33	36	32	30	35	2
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	0	1	0	0
Robbery	5	6	9	5	5	3
Pick Pocketing	0	0	0	0	0	0
Purse Snatching	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shoplifting	106	141	173	131	188	110
Theft from Building	41	18	8	5	25	5
Theft from Coin Operated Machine	1	0	1	2	0	0
Theft from Motor Vehicle	79	77	99	72	103	7
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	42	60	71	73	71	3
All Other Larceny	101	61	131	111	114	22
Motor Vehicle Theft	13	28	48	40	49	20
Stolen Property Offenses	14	22	33	38	50	28
Total Offenses	689	716	1029	820	977	294

Crimes Against Society	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Cleared
Drug/Narcotics	228	337	261	286	235	177
Drug Equipment	175	276	236	246	183	146
Betting/Wagering	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gambling Equipment Viol	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sports Tampering	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pornography	4	6	5	4	3	0
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	1	0
Assisting/Promo Prostitution	0	1	0	0	0	0
Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	1	0	0	0
Weapon Laws	24	45	41	31	38	27
Animal Cruelty	4	1	2	1	4	1
Total Offenses	435	666	546	568	464	351

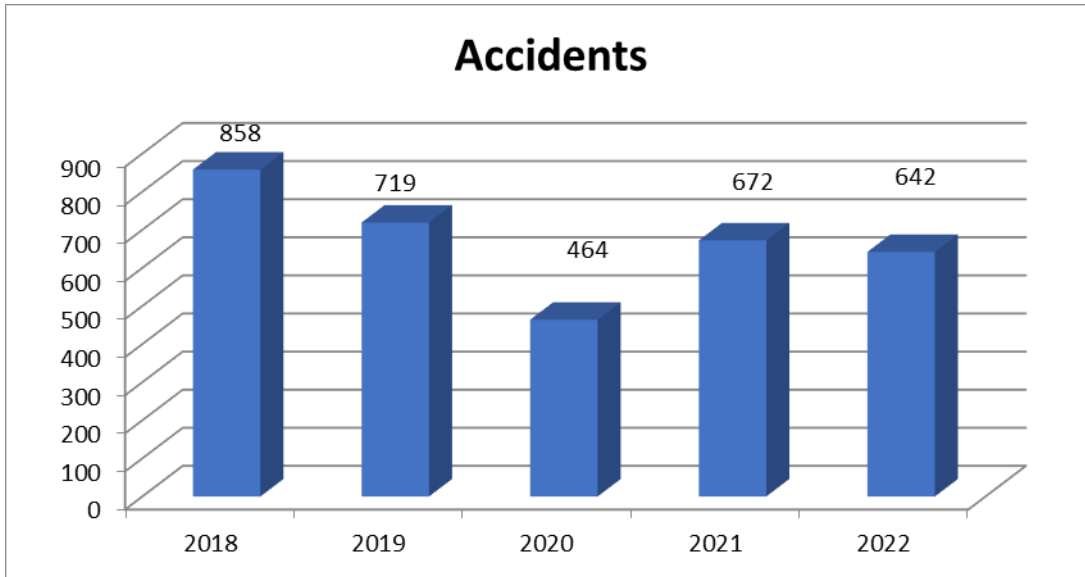
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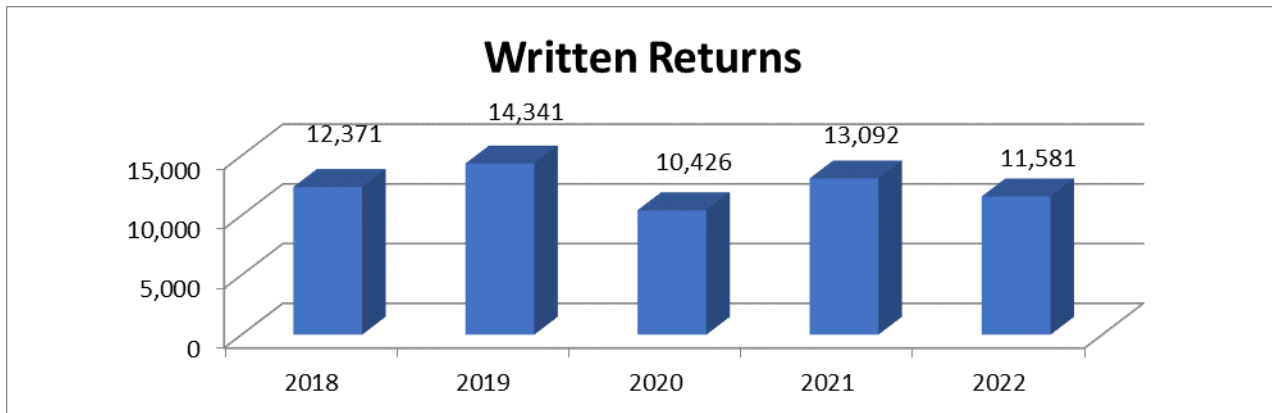


## Traffic Accident Report:

The Traffic Unit was created to help enforce traffic laws and help reduce the accident count. The division currently consists of three officers. These officers spend their time patrolling the subdivisions due to complaints of speeders and stop sign violators, as well as concentrating on area highways due to accidents occurring within our venue.



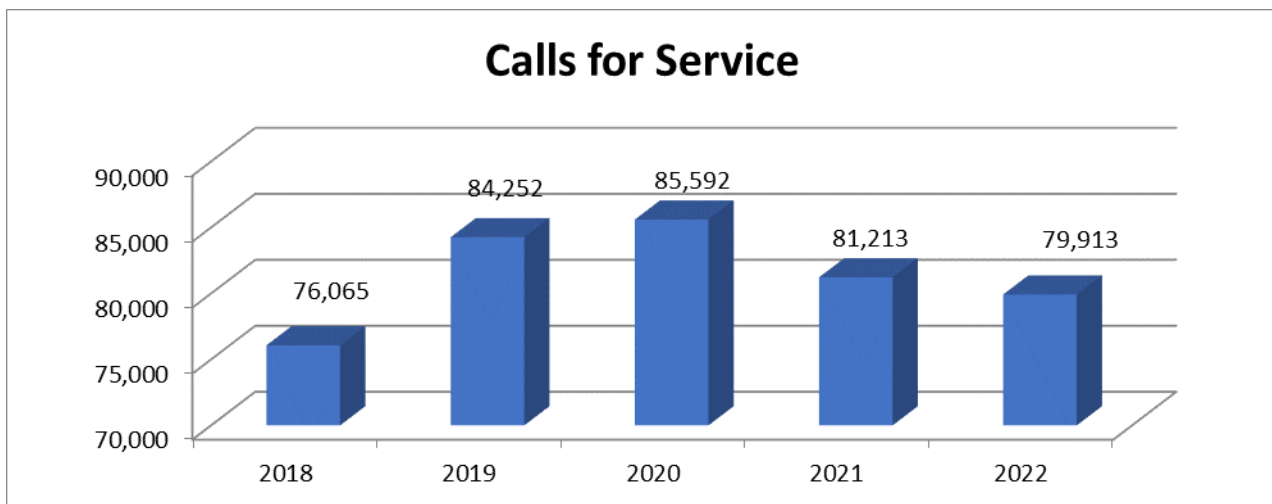
### Citations/Warnings Report:



The Department will continue to maintain our commitment of providing a high level of patrol in the subdivisions in order to keep our neighborhoods safe.

### Calls for Service:

When a Dispatch receives a call for service, they will enter the information into the computer and then dispatch the officer to the call. Below shows the calls received for the last five years.



### Summary of Type of Calls:

Dispatch receives numerous types of calls throughout the year. The calls range from trivial to serious in nature. The graph below shows a selection of the type of the calls received:

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Alarm Soundings	843	963	810	807	956
Animal Calls	985	1,036	938	936	832
Assist Motorist	880	752	477	471	553
Auto Accidents	1,585	1,429	875	1177	1131
Community Policing	866	1,134	1,001	481	687
Directed Patrol	24,503	29,971	35,565	29299	29962
Domestic Violence	185	196	184	170	197
Drug Overdose	31	27	32	42	35
Drug Violations	130	115	85	126	111
DWI	164	108	83	113	106
Fireworks	205	201	238	170	123
Foot Patrol	8,031	9,283	11,007	9197	8064
Open Door	1,244	672	526	494	317
Peace Disturbance	753	882	1,021	861	887
Prisoner Transport	624	662	181	592	517
Sick Case	1,420	1,557	385	22	11
Stealing	643	681	811	628	706
Suspicious Vehicle	1,030	1,169	1,174	1114	1055
Traffic	8,926	9,554	7,282	8859	7934
Trespassing	86	121	159	134	153
All Other Activities	22,931	23,739	22,758	25520	25576
Total Calls	76,065	84,252	85,592	81,213	79,913

### Communications/Records Activity:

The Communications and the Records Divisions handle multiple types of situations. Dispatch communicates with the officers via radio and telephone. They enter calls in the computer system to track who is responding and the information that is relayed. They run subjects through the MULES system for the officers to see vehicle registration, driver's license status, and criminal history. They answer the 911 calls, as well as non-emergency calls.

The Records Division answers incoming calls to the department and routes them to the appropriate division, works with the public and other agencies in obtaining copies of reports and statistics. They enter data into the records management system for NIBRS reporting and quality control of reports. They work with records retention and destruction, as well as review traffic accident reports for electronic submission to the state, among a host of other responsibilities.

These divisions are an integral part of the team and are vital in keeping the Department running smoothly. Below is a list of some of the activities they do:

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Phone Calls	79,732	82,716	65,725	78,162	76,446
911 Calls	12,210	13,250	12,413	12,948	11,933
Radio Transmissions	205,327	216,983	184,462	194,752	196,160
Mules Transmissions	147,668	148,458	104,379	119,438	0
Calls including FPD	80,609	87,919	88,868	85,100	82,899
Number of Reports	4,917	5,216	3,733	4,834	4,811
Supplemental Reports	1,772	2,578	1,844	1,992	1,846

**\*Unable to obtain MULES transmissions due to switching over to MULES 5.**

### Detective Statistics:

In 2022 the Detectives were assigned 386 reports to investigate. Below is the status of those cases:

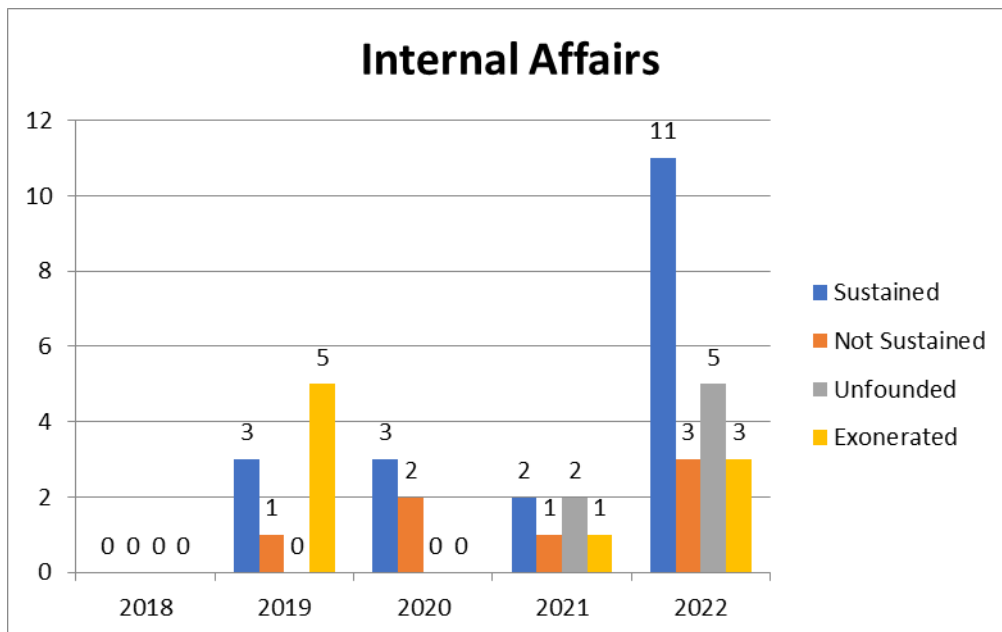
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Active Cases	39	19	34	33	44
Cleared by Arrest	82	49	22	13	21
Exceptionally Cleared	17	27	22	38	33
Inactive	136	144	100	88	103
Pending App Warrant	21	35	41	43	51
Ref to Other Agency	16	26	11	15	34
Unfounded	15	19	4	13	10
Patrol	0	0	13	6	1
Waiting On	0	0	0	0	30
Warrant Issued	0	0	0	0	58
Warrant Refused	0	0	0	0	1
Total Cases	326	319	247	249	386

## Internal Affairs Complaints

The department has an office of Professional Standards. This office handles administrative (internal) and citizen (external) complaints against employees within the department. Professional Standards is tasked with investigating these complaints and determining if any violation of policy was made by the employee.

Complaints	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Internal	0	2	3	2	1
External	0	2	1	3	6
Administrative	0	2	0	1	3
Total	0	6	4	6	10

Officers Involved	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sustained	0	3	3	2	11
Not Sustained	0	1	2	1	3
Unfounded	0	0	0	2	5
Exonerated	0	5	0	1	3



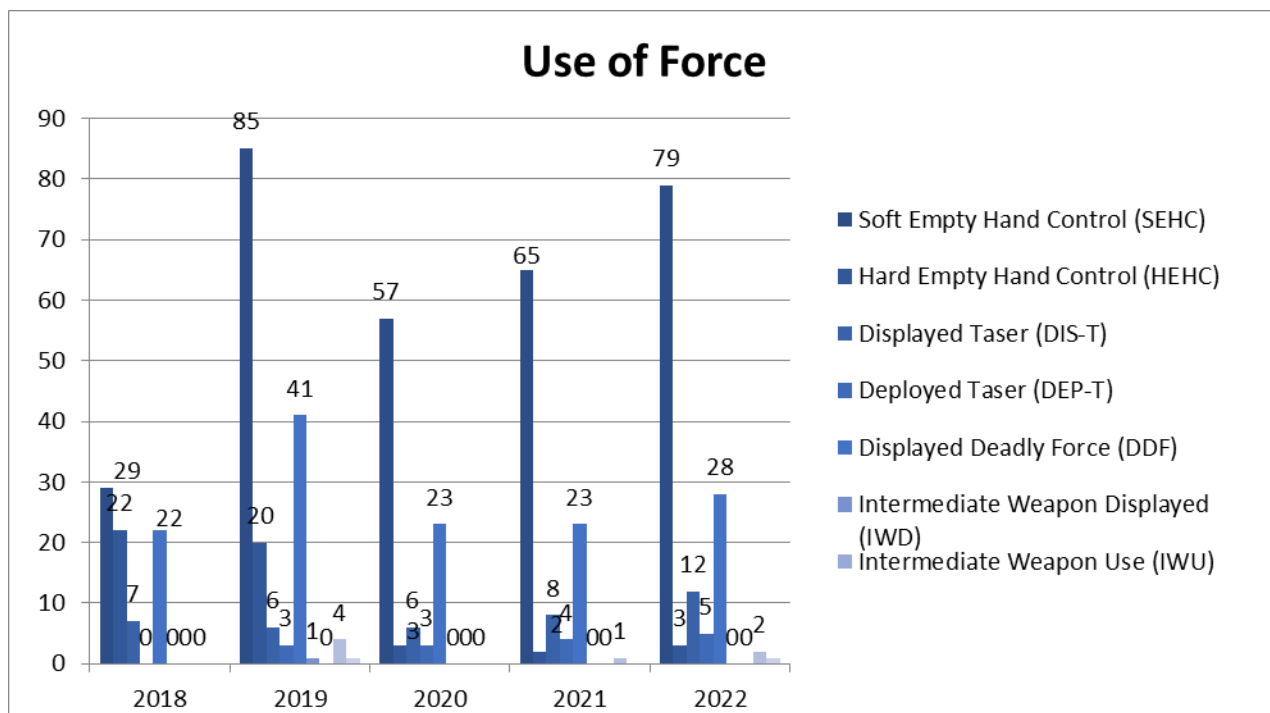
## Use of Force

The Professional Standards office also tracks use of force used by the officers. They review the use of force reports to verify if force was necessary and if the appropriate force was used. They also monitor the officers using the force to make sure that a pattern of force is not developing

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Use of Force	81	160	92	103	126

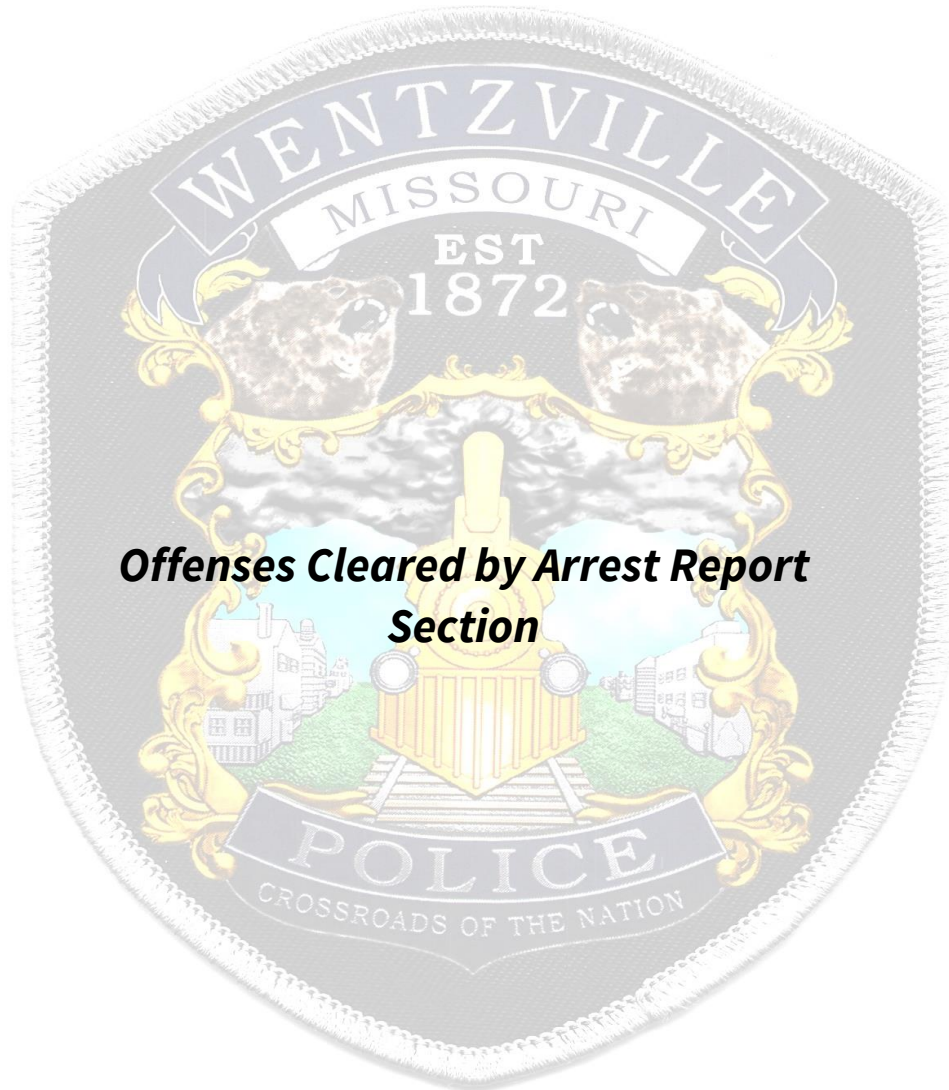
  

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Soft Empty Hand Control (SEHC)	29	85	57	65	79
Hard Empty Hand Control (HEHC)	22	20	3	2	3
Displayed Taser (DIS-T)	7	6	6	8	12
Deployed Taser (DEP-T)	0	3	3	4	5
Displayed Deadly Force (DDF)	22	41	23	23	28
Intermediate Weapon Displayed (IWD)	0	1	0	0	0
Intermediate Weapon Use (IWU)	0	0	0	0	0
Use of Deadly Force (UDF)	0	4	0	1	2
K9 Bite	0	1	0	0	1
Total Use of Force Incidents	81	160	92	103	129





## **Wentzville Police Department**



### **Offenses Cleared by Arrest Report Section**

**2022**

**Group A Offenses Cleared:**

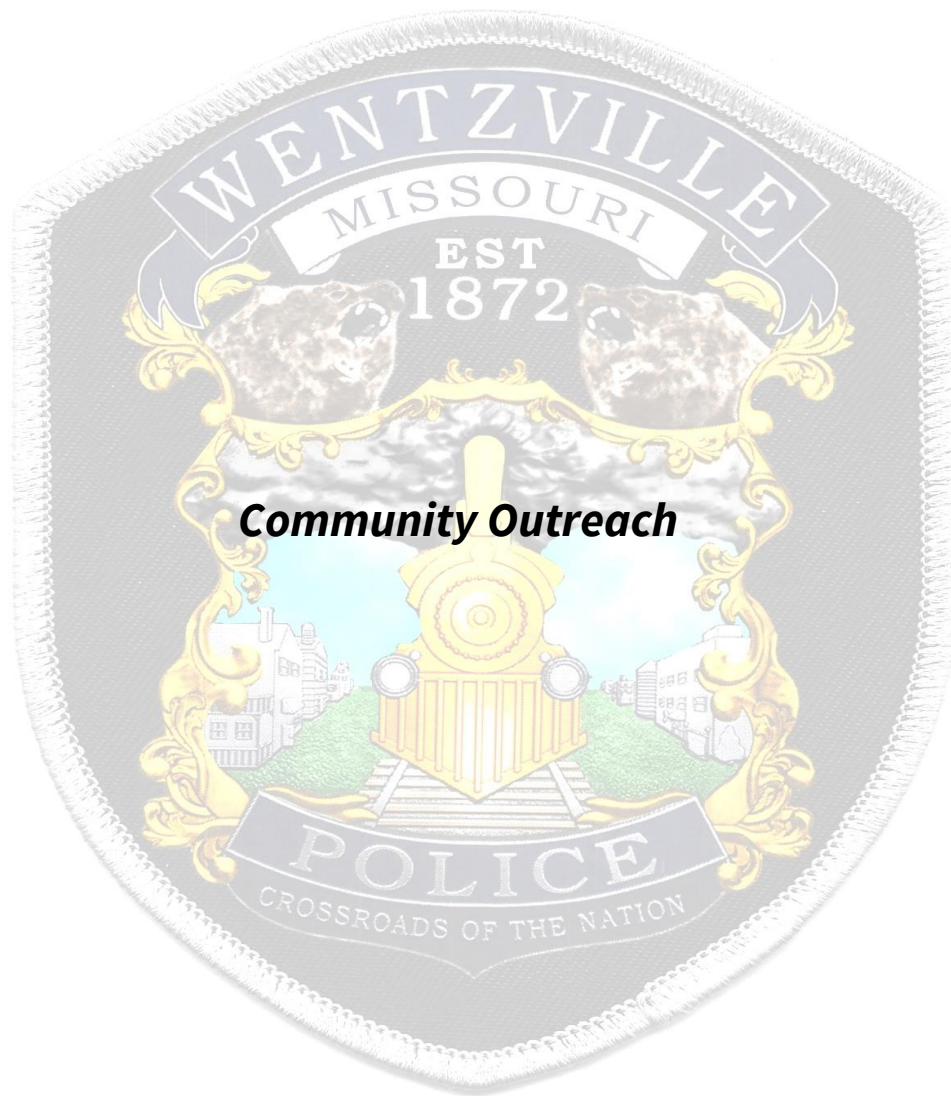
Adult Off Cleared by Arrest	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Juv Off Cleared by Arrest	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Murder	0	0	2	0	0	Murder	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnapping	0	0	0	0	0	Kidnapping	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	5	1	0	0	0	Rape	0	2	0	1	0
Sodomy	3	0	0	0	0	Sodomy	0	0	0	1	2
Sex Assault w/Object	0	0	0	0	0	Sex Assault w/Object	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Fondling	2	3	0	0	0	Forcible Fondling	0	1	0	0	2
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	Incest	0	0	0	0	1
Statutory Rape	1	0	1	0	0	Statutory Rape	1	0	1	0	0
Aggravated Assault	20	21	24	13	31	Aggravated Assault	6	6	0	4	5
Simple Assault	69	71	53	51	51	Simple Assault	26	52	44	54	63
Intimidation	12	12	15	7	9	Intimidation	3	5	4	1	7
Human Trafficking-Comm	0	0	0	0	0	Human Trafficking-Comm	0	0	0	0	0
Human Trafficking-Inv Serv	0	0	0	0	0	Human Trafficking-Inv Serv	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	1	0	0	0	0	Arson	1	0	0	0	0
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	Bribery	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	6	19	3	4	11	Burglary	2	0	5	1	2
Counterfeiting/Forgery	4	0	4	1	0	Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	1	0	0
Property Damage	6	4	12	5	7	Property Damage	2	1	0	1	1
Embezzlement	13	4	6	8	9	Embezzlement	0	0	2	1	0
Extortion/Blackmail	0	1	0	0	0	Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud-Pretenses/Swindle	13	8	27	12	16	Fraud-Pretenses/Swindle	0	0	0	2	0
Fraud-Credit Card	0	6	2	0	2	Fraud-Credit Card	0	0	0	0	0
Impersonation	2	8	6	12	6	Impersonation	0	1	0	0	0
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	1	0	Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Identity Theft	1	0	0	0	1	Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	0	0	0	Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	0	1	0
Robbery	5	4	0	1	0	Robbery	2	0	8	1	1
Pick Pocketing	0	0	0	0	0	Pick Pocketing	0	0	0	0	0
Purse Snatching	0	0	0	0	0	Purse Snatching	0	0	0	0	0
Shoplifting	62	55	64	67	61	Shoplifting	4	8	7	5	7
Theft from Building	3	2	0	1	2	Theft from Building	2	1	2	0	1
Theft from Coin Oper Mach	2	0	0	0	0	Theft from Coin Oper Mach	0	0	0	0	0

Theft from Motor Vehicle	4	2	4	2	2	Theft from Motor Vehicle	2	0	2	0	0
Theft of Mtr Veh Parts/Acc	0	1	0	2	2	Theft of Mtr Veh Parts/Acc	0	0	0	0	0
All Other Larceny	25	13	18	9	17	All Other Larceny	0	0	0	2	2
Motor Vehicle Theft	3	2	7	3	4	Motor Vehicle Theft	0	1	1	2	1
Stolen Property Offenses	10	13	11	13	14	Stolen Property Offenses	0	0	1	1	0
Drug/Narcotics	202	271	163	201	147	Drug/Narcotics	10	16	17	17	11
Drug Equipment	46	55	41	39	28	Drug Equipment	0	5	2	1	1
Betting/Wagering	0	0	0	0	0	Betting/Wagering	0	0	0	0	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	Gambling	0	0	0	0	0
Gambling Equipment Viol	0	0	0	0	0	Gambling Equipment Viol	0	0	0	0	0
Sports Tampering	0	0	0	0	0	Sports Tampering	0	0	0	0	0
Pornography	0	0	0	0	0	Pornography	0	0	0	0	0
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0
Assisting/Promo Prost.	0	0	0	0	0	Assisting/Promo Prost.	0	0	0	0	0
Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0
Weapon Laws	8	10	8	8	10	Weapon Laws	0	6	3	2	1
Animal Cruelty	2	0	0	1	2	Animal Cruelty	0	0	0	0	0
Offenses Cleared by Arrest	530	586	471	461	432	Offenses Cleared by Arrest	61	105	100	98	108

#### Group B Arrests:

Group B Arrests-Adult	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Group B Arrests-Juvenile	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Bad Checks	0	1	1	0	0	Bad Checks	0	0	0	0	0
Curfew/Loitering	0	2	0	1	1	Curfew/Loitering	4	4	3	2	4
Disorderly Conduct	14	6	15	11	21	Disorderly Conduct	7	8	3	3	3
Driving Under Influence	159	119	86	78	100	Driving Under Influence	0	2	0	0	1
Drunkenness	0	0	0	0	0	Drunkenness	0	0	0	0	0
Family Offenses	6	3	1	6	8	Family Offenses	0	0	0	1	0
Liquor Law	29	16	1	23	20	Liquor Law	2	23	3	8	5
Peeping Tom	0	0	0	0	0	Peeping Tom	0	0	0	0	0
Trespassing	8	17	21	30	25	Trespassing	1	2	8	0	17
All Other Offenses	712	677	233	688	600	All Other Offenses	7	7	6	9	3
Total Arrests	928	841	358	837	775	Total Arrests	21	46	23	23	33

## ***Wentzville Police Department***



**2022**

### ***Community Outreach:***

The Department takes pride in the relationships we have developed in our community. We like to educate our citizens on how the department operates and keep an open line of communication to better serve our town. To help accomplish this, we present a multitude of programs throughout the year to continue to nurture these relationships.

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| • Coffee with a Cop                     | To meet residents for open discussion              |
| • Pizza with a Cop                      | For students with good behavior                    |
| • Welcome to Wentzville                 | Greeting every new resident with our contact info  |
| • Citizens Police Academy               | Adult residents, exposure to the police department |
| • Jr. Police Academy/Summer Camp        | Summer camp, learn about PD                        |
| • Summer SRO activities in subdivisions | Bingo, games, ice-cream, popsicle visits           |
| • Senior Center visits                  | Community engagement with seniors                  |
| • SRO "Above & Beyond" program          | School resource officers give awards for behavior  |
| • Tip a Cop                             | Special Olympics fundraiser                        |
| • Candy with a Cop                      | Community engagement                               |
| • Trim-A-Tree                           | Residents decorated the PD lobby holiday tree      |
| • Painting with the Police              | Police officers paint projects with kids           |
| • Cops and Bobbers                      | Officers fishing with kids for engagement          |
| • Public service announcements          | Social media or in person visits of current events |
| • Weekly Wrap-up Program                | Social media posts to inform residents about calls |
| • Blue Line Family meal donations       | Thanksgiving and Christmas                         |
| • Blue Line Family (Family adoption)    | 5 Families for Christmas gifts                     |
| • Senior Citizens meal delivery w/UAW   | Community engagement                               |
| • National Night Out                    | National program, multiple subdivision visits      |
| • Polar Plunge Special Olympics         | Fundraiser and to engage special needs residents   |
| • Fraud Scam Alerts                     | Talks to seniors and other organizations           |
| • PD Safe Zone                          | Exchange for online purchase exchanges             |
| • Monthly PSA social media campaign     | All departments in St. Charles Co. same message    |
| • Trunk or Treat                        | Community engagement                               |
| • Walk & Talks                          | Officer walk neighborhoods talking to citizens     |
| • 9/11Patriot Day school visits         | Engage students on 9/11                            |
| • First Responder Day at Summer Camp    | Engage all summer campers w/static displays        |
| • Lemonade stand visits                 | Community engagement                               |
| • Boy & Girls scout station tours       | To help earn badges                                |
| • Police Explorers                      | High school students' engagement                   |
| • C.E.R.T. Team                         | Community residents join Wentzville team           |
| • Cops, Cones & Conversation            | Community engagement                               |
| • Rod Run S.T.A.R.T. fundraiser         | Community engagement                               |
| • Police escorted bike parades          | Community engagement in subdivisions               |
| • Torch Run                             | Fundraiser and to support Special Olympics         |

- Wentzville Heights cleanup project      Community engagement
- Popsicles with Police      Community engagement
- Playground with the Police      End of Summer event at park playground





# ***Wentzville Police Department***



## ***Awards and Recognition***

**2022**

## ***2022 Awards and Recognition, Appointments and Promotions, Graduations and Retirements:***

### **Certificate of Excellence:**

Det. Lt. Cindy Aubuchon, Officer Austin Brock, Lt. Jennifer Bell, Officer Joseph Coughlin, Officer Brandi Doyle, Det. Jessica Ernst, Det. Cpl. Spencer Grarup, Officer Matthew Hyde, Officer Stephen Hill, Officer Alexander Robinson, Cpl. Thomas VanDusen, Officer Kimberly Waggoner, Det. Sgt. Andrew Wessel, and Det. Stephen Wightman

### **Chief's Commendation:**

Major Leon Burton

### **Crisis Intervention Awards:**

Officer Commendation: Officer Stephen Hill

Outstanding Service Award: Sgt. Jason Davis

**Employee of the Month:** January: No nominations; February: Det. Dustin Plack, Officer Alexander Robinson, and Officer Jeffrey Skaggs; March: Officer Austin Brock, Officer Stephen Hill, Officer Thomas Reents, and Officer Alexander Robinson; April: No nominations; May: Officer Joshua LeMaster; June: Officer Michael Lamb; July: Officer Scott Gruswitz; August: Officer Joseph Coughlin; September: Officer Justin Reburia; October: Officer Joseph Coughlin; November: Officer Nicholas Barbier; December: Officer Daniel Talbott.

### **Life Saving Awards:**

Officer Kye Albrecht, Sgt. Branden Anderson, Officer Stephen Hill, Officer Ethan Mazingo and Cpl. Mary Wheeler

### **M.A.D.D. Award:**

Officer Justin Reburia

Officer Thomas Reents

Officer Zachary Niemann

### **Missouri Police Chief's Association's Medal of Valor:**

Officer Stephen Hill

### **Optimist Club Award:**

Officer Matthew Hyde

### **Promotions:**

Corporal Justin Houtz promoted to Sergeant

Sergeant Kyle Bruns promoted to Lieutenant

### **Appointments:**

Officer Jason Smith appointed to Corporal

Officer Mary Wheeler appointed to Corporal

Officer Stephen Wilson appointed to Corporal

### **Graduation:**

Lt. Jennifer Bell - SPI Academy

Lt. Kyle Bruns - SPI Academy/Dean's Scholar

Cpl. Richard Tienter - Missouri Police Chief's Charitable Foundation's Command College

Cpl. Thomas VanDusen - Missouri Police Chief's Charitable Foundation's Command College