



The monthly report is intended to serve as an overview of the Ashland Police Department's effort to combat crime within the Town of Ashland. The report contains information about the number of criminal offenses during the past month and the activities undertaken by the Police Department to improve the overall quality of life for the community.

The data helps the Police Department develop strategies for providing a safe environment in which to live, work, visit and play.

**Chief Douglas A. Goodman, Jr.**

## Oct 2020

Part 1 Offenses	Oct 2020	Oct 2019	YTD 2020	YTD 2019	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2019
Homicide									
Rape			2	1	1	0	0	0%	1
Robbery			3	2	1	1	0	33%	4
Aggravated Assault	2		8	12	-4	6	2	100%	13
Arson					0				1
Burglary	2		8	7	1	2	0	25%	8
Larceny (below categories)	6	12	95	128	-33	15	10	26%	144
Pick Pocket			0	1	-1				1
Purse-Snatching					0				
Shoplifting		5	25	37	-12	9	3	48%	40
Theft from a Building	2	2	15	20	-5	0	2	13%	21
Theft from a Coin Machine			2	0	2	0	0	0%	
Theft from a Motor Vehicle		2	20	33	-13	2	1	15%	37
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts			8	6	2	0	1	13%	11
All other Larceny	4	3	25	31	-6	4	3	28%	34
Auto Theft		1	6	9	-3	1	1	33%	9
<b>Total Part I Offenses</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>180</b>

Other Offenses of Community Concern	Oct 2020	Oct 2019	YTD 2020	YTD 2019	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2019
Destruction/Vandalism	4	5	43	56	-13	5	7	28%	65
Drugs/Narcotics	1	4	30	47	-17	19	2	70%	60
Weapons Violations	1		5	12	-7	4	0	80%	13
Drunk in Public	0	12	21	49	-28	21	0	100%	56
Liquor Law Violations	0		3	7	-4	3	0	100%	7

Service Demands and Productivity	Oct 2020	Oct 2019	YTD 2020	YTD 2019	YTD Diff		Total 2019
Calls for Service	488	544	5,020	5,587	-567		6,634
Self Initiated Activities	1,173	1,150	9,852	11,789	-1,937		14,009
Criminal Arrests	16	46	216	368	-152		429
Traffic Summonses	76	160	727	1,640	-913		1,911
DUI Arrests	1	3	10	27	-17		32
Accidents	12	10	73	87	-14		112

# PATROL OPERATIONS DIVISION

*Captain Troy Aronhalt*

Patrol Operations is comprised of 16 sworn officers under the leadership of a Captain. Officers are assigned to one of four squads, each led by a Sergeant, working 12-hour shifts. Patrol Operations handles all dispatched calls for service, conducts self-initiated enforcement activities and provides high visibility patrols in hopes to prevent and deter criminal activity.

Patrol Activities	Day Squads		Night Squads	
	710	720	730	740
Responses to Calls	187	185	218	205
Criminal Arrests	5	6	7	5
DUI Arrests	0	0	1	0
Park, Walk & Talks	88	75	134	145
Incident Reports	18	18	14	19
Traffic Stops	39	17	45	10
Field Interviews	1	0	1	9
P2B/C Contacts	18	2	22	11
Adopt a Senior Visits	0	0	0	0
School Visits	5	4	0	0
Bank Checks	13	10	0	0
Funeral Escorts	1	3	2	0
Property Checks	134	69	940	1258
Open Doors	0	0	10	3
ECO/TDO	1	0	0	0

## STAR Corridor Update

Officers handled **15** calls for service in this area; completed **46** park, walk and talk activities as well as **30.5** hours of traffic enforcement and general observation time. Officers had **26** community contacts and conducted **4** roll call meetings.

## Patrol Highlights

On October 9, officers responded to the 100 block of South Washington Highway for a civil dispute. The subject was determined to be a wanted and arrested on outstanding warrant.

On October 10, officers responded to the 100 block of South Hill Carter Parkway for a disorderly subject. During the investigation it was found the subject possessed a concealed weapon and was arrested.

On October 14, an officer observed a vehicle driving erratically in the area of South Washington Highway and Arbor Oak Drive. After an investigation, the driver was arrested for felony DUI, refusal, and driving suspended.

On October 18, officers stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation. The driver was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

On October 18, officers responded to the 500 Block of College Avenue for a narcotics complaint. Officers found a male that was wanted on three warrants. Subsequently, narcotics were also found on the male. The subject was arrested for possession of narcotics.

On October 23, officers responded to the 800 block of England Street for the report of a crash. The at fault driver was issued a summons for a traffic light violation, and arrested for driving suspended and several outstanding warrants.

## SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Under the command of Special Operations Division, the **Investigative Unit** is comprised of three investigators led by **Lt. James Shelhorse**. This operational component is responsible for the investigation of all felony and serious/repeat misdemeanor offenses reported to the police department. Additionally, this unit is tasked with proactive investigations into narcotics trafficking and other criminal behavior.

Investigative Activities	
Cases Assigned This Month	15
Cases Assigned (YTD)	105
Cases Cleared (YTD)	54
Clearance Rate (YTD)	51.4%
Surveillance (hours)	7
Report Writing (hours)	20
Search Warrants	5
Warrants Obtained	1
Court Proceedings (hours)	3
Forensic Processing (hours)	12
Meetings with Other Agencies	12

### Investigative Highlights

Investigators were assigned a breaking & entering at a local convenience store. Multiple individuals smashed into the front door and removed items of value. Similar cases occurred the same night in other jurisdictions. The case is still pending further investigation.

Investigators responded for a possible past sex assault with multiple juvenile victims. Victims being interviewed by Child Advocacy Center and the investigation is still pending.

Investigators were assigned 1 CART referral for possible abuse involving a child. Investigation determined the offense to be unfounded.

Investigators were assigned several fraud and larceny cases. Several of the fraud cases involved citizens being scammed via the telephone or email. One of the larcenies involved the theft from "Games of Skill" machines which are located in many of our convenient stores around town. Video surveillance of these individuals reveal they have been involved in others throughout the metro area. The investigation is ongoing.

Investigators participated in the semi-annual Drug Enforcement Agency Drug Take Back event at the Ashland Police Department. We collected 207 pounds of prescription drugs.

Investigators assisted with Patrol coverage throughout the month and A/Captain Shelhorse completed 5 day Internal Affairs training course.

# SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Under the command of the Special Operations Division, the **Crime Prevention/Logistics Unit** entails several functional components of the agency: Crime Prevention (1 officer), and the Auxiliary Unit (1 volunteer officers) and civilian volunteers all led by **Lt. Marie Kemp**. In addition to duties tasked to individual members, this component is responsible for Recruitment, Selection, Training, Public Information, Special Event Coordination, and IT Administration.

Crime Prevention Activities	
Neighborhood Watch Meetings	0
Association Meetings	0
Security Assessments	0
Presentations	0
CPTED Plan Reviews	0
Training (hours)	70
Park, Walk and Talk	4
Adopt a Senior Visits	0
Lunch Buddies	1
Project Lifesaver Visits	0
Special Event Meetings	1
Patrol/Support hours covered	**
Social Media Outreach (Posts)	14
People reached: 26,696	

## Crime Prevention Notes

10/11/20: Political Rally Safety and Security.

10/14/20: Full Records Management System update on all computers and completed training with all officers concerning the specific updates.

10/21/20: Ashland to Petersburg Trail ribbon cutting security.

10/24/20: Drug Take-Back: 207 lbs. collected.

10/24/20: Slash Cottage Birthday Parade with HCSO.

10/31/20: Halloween Patrol

## Training

October 5, 7, & 27: Fall Firearms/Taser Recertification.
10/8: Webinar: Lexis Nexis Virtual Crime Center
10/19 - 10/23: New Hire Training - Chaves, A (40 hours)

## Items of Note

Coached 8 Town employee workouts.
10/21: Training with the Cadets.