



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.

Feb 2021

Part 1 Offenses	Feb 2021	Feb 2020	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2020
Homicide									
Rape		1		2	-2				3
Robbery		1	1	1	0	0	0	0%	3
Aggravated Assault	1		2		2	1	0	50%	10
Arson					0				
Burglary		1		2	-2				9
Larceny (below categories)	19	11	38	20	18	17	0	45%	120
Pick Pocket					0				
Purse-Snatching					0				
Shoplifting	10	5	20	8	12	17	0	85%	40
Theft from a Building	1	2	2	5	-3	0	0	0%	17
Theft from a Coin Machine					0				2
Theft from a Motor Vehicle	4	1	7	2	5	0	0	0%	22
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	3	1	7	2	5	0	0	0%	11
All other Larceny	1	2	2	3	-1	0	0	0%	28
Auto Theft	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0%	7
Total Part I Offenses	21	15	42	26	16	18	0	43%	152

Other Offenses of Community Concern	Feb 2021	Feb 2020	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2020
Destruction/Vandalism	6	6	7	9	-2	2	2	57%	50
Drugs/Narcotics	3	1	8	9	-1	6	0	75%	40
Weapons Violations	3	0	4	0	4	3	0	75%	6
Drunk in Public	4	1	7	6	1	6	0	86%	25
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		3

Service Demands and Productivity	Feb 2021	Feb 2020	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	YTD Diff	Total 2020
Calls for Service	470	474	917	944	-27	6,047
Self Initiated Activities	1,476	953	2,793	1,916	877	12,275
Criminal Arrests	27	18	56	46	10	267
Traffic Summonses	73	156	161	262	-101	870
DUI Arrests	0	2	1	2	-1	11
Accidents	2	11	7	17	-10	85

PATROL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Patrol Operations is comprised of 16 sworn officers under the leadership of **Major Troy Aronhalt**. 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	261	232	166	121
Criminal Arrests	18	6	4	5
DUI Arrests	0	0	0	0
Park, Walk & Talks	107	110	85	120
Incident Reports	33	23	9	8
Traffic Stops	15	35	15	29
Field Interviews	0	1	6	11
P2B/C Contacts	8	33	4	11
Adopt a Senior Visits	1	0	0	0
School Visits	7	5	0	0
Bank Checks	10	9	0	0
Funeral Escorts	4	9	1	0
Property Checks	163	88	685	1429
Open Doors	0	1	2	2
ECO/TDO	2	4	3	1

STAR Corridor Update

Officers handled **8** calls for service in this area; completed **36** park, walk and talk activities as well as **23** hours of traffic enforcement and general observation time. Officers had **27** community contacts and conducted **1** roll call meetings.

Patrol Highlights

On February 5, officers conducted a distracted driving enforcement operation. During the operation officers conducted 16 traffic stops for drivers holding their phones in their hand while driving.

On February 12, an officer on patrol observed a suspicious person walking in the roadway in the 100 block of Thompson Street. After an investigation, the subject was arrested for public intoxication.

On February 18, officers responded to the 100 block of North Cottage Green Drive for a noise complaint. Upon completion of their investigation, two subjects were arrested for possession of a schedule I/II narcotic and possession of a concealed weapon.

February 19, Officers responded to B Street for a domestic call. Upon completion of their investigation, warrants were obtained for breaking and entering and assault. The female was later arrested on the warrants.

On February 23, officers responded to the 100 block of North Carter Road. for a suspicious individual. Upon completion of their investigation, the subject was arrested for possession of a schedule I/II narcotic and possession of controlled paraphernalia.

During the month of February, officers assigned to the 30 squad located and marked out with thirty suspicious people, vehicles, or situations during their nightly patrols.

SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Under the command of Special Operations Division, the **Investigative Unit** is comprised of three investigators led by **Capt. 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	9
Cases Assigned (YTD)	15
Cases Cleared (YTD)	11
Clearance Rate (YTD)	73.3%
Surveillance (assignments)	7
Report Writing (hours)	16
Search Warrants/Court Orders	4
Warrants Obtained	7
Court Proceedings (hours)	6
Forensic Processing (hours)	0
Meetings with Other Agencies	5

Investigative Highlights

Investigators have been assigned multiple cases involving catalytic converter thefts. These incidents have occurred throughout the Town and County of Hanover. This investigation is pending.

Investigators responded to a call for two individuals who were impersonating public utility employees. The suspects may have stolen money and other items from a residence. The crime was disrupted by the property owners who chased the suspects from the house when they became suspicious. It is believed that these individuals may be suspects in several similar crimes in locations around the state. The investigation is still pending.

Investigators responded to a local market for an exposure incident. The suspect returned to the store at a later date where he was identified. Charges were obtained and he was taken into custody and charged with indecent exposure and simulated masturbation in public.

Investigators were assigned a sex offense. The individual was arrested and charged for multiple counts misdemeanor sexual battery that occurred in the past by a known suspect.

Investigators were assigned two missing juveniles. Working with other agencies, investigators were able to locate the children and return them to a parent.

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 **Capt. 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	5
Training (hours)	21
Park, Walk and Talk	4
Adopt a Senior Visits	1
Lunch Buddies	1
Project Lifesaver Visits	0
Special Event Meetings	0
Patrol/Support hours covered	**
Social Media Outreach (Posts)	26

People Reached: 97,405

Crime Prevention/Logistics Notes

- February 3: Shoplifting Reduction meeting with Walmart General Manager.
- February 3, 4, 9 & 18: Conducted panel interviews for police applicants.
- February 10, 11, & 15: Completed polygraphs test for police applicants.
- February 15: Administered Psychological written tests to applicant.
- February 17: Prepared and conducted Supervisor Training for all Sergeants and above.
- February 18: Participated in R-MC virtual Criminal Justice Career Fair.

Training

February 17: APD supervisor training
February 22: Webinar: Possible DCJS Training Updates.

Misc.

Completed 2020 Use of Force Annual Report.
Completed request for hire letter for one police applicant.