



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.**

## August 2021

Part 1 Offenses	August 2021	August 2020	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2020
Homicide									
Rape			2	2	0	0	2	100%	3
Robbery		1	2	3	-1	0	0	0%	3
Aggravated Assault	3		14	6	8	8	2	71%	10
Arson					0				
Burglary	1	3	3	6	-3	1	0	33%	9
Larceny (below categories)	17	21	88	81	9	26	3	33%	120
Pick Pocket					0				
Purse-Snatching					0				
Shoplifting	3	6	30	23	7	24	0	80%	40
Theft from a Building	3	1	9	12	-3	0	1	11%	17
Theft from a Coin Machine		2		2	0	0	0	0%	2
Theft from a Motor Vehicle	1	7	14	17	-3	0	0	0%	22
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	7		21	8	13	0	0	0%	11
All other Larceny	3	5	14	19	-5	2	2	29%	28
Auto Theft		3	7	5	2	2	0	29%	7
<b>Total Part I Offenses</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>152</b>

Other Offenses of Community Concern	August 2021	August 2020	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2020
Destruction/Vandalism	7	6	29	35	-6	2	4	21%	50
Drugs/Narcotics	1	3	22	25	-3	14	0	64%	40
Weapons Violations	1	1	10	4	6	5	2	70%	6
Drunk in Public	3	0	24	17	7	23	0	96%	25
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	4	3	1	2	0	50%	3

Service Demands and Productivity	August 2021	August 2020	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	YTD Diff	Total 2020
Calls for Service	588	596	4,101	4,043	58	6,047
Self Initiated Activities	972	1,057	9,897	7,388	2,509	12,275
Criminal Arrests	14	23	171	169	2	267
Traffic Summonses	73	69	739	565	174	870
DUI Arrests	0	3	5	7	-2	11
Accidents	14	10	75	50	25	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	242	269	272	205
Criminal Arrests	3	5	4	0
DUI Arrests	0	0	0	0
Park, Walk & Talks	66	105	72	100
Incident Reports	34	24	16	4
Traffic Stc August	18	22	17	26
Field Interviews	5	0	1	4
P2B/C Contacts	8	8	17	6
Adopt a Senior Visits	3	0	0	0
School Visits	1	0	0	0
Bank Checks	2	9	0	0
Funeral Escorts	2	5	0	0
Property Checks	14	29	643	756
Open Doors	5	0	10	10
ECO/TDO	3	0	2	1

### STAR Corridor Update

Officers handled **10** calls for service in this area; completed **36** park, walk and talk activities as well as **17** hours of traffic enforcement and general observation time.

Officers had **22** community contacts and conducted **6** roll call meetings.

### Patrol Highlights

On August 10, officers responded to a reported domestic situation in the 200 block of Secretariat Court. Upon conclusion of the investigation, a male subject was arrested for domestic assault.

On August 11, officers responded to the 200 block of North Washington Highway regarding a shoplifting call. Officers located and arrested the suspect for public intoxication.

On August 21, officers responded to a call for a domestic disturbance in the 100 block of Thompson Steet. After officers conducted an investigation into the domestic disturbance, the subject was charged with strangulation.

On August 24, officers stopped out with a suspicious subject in the 800 block of England Street. Upon interviewing the subject, it was discovered the subject was wanted. He was placed under arrest for a probation violation.

On August 25, officers responded to a serious crash involving a single vehicle in the area of North Washington Highway and Omni Drive. Officers found the driver deceased and the passenger with life threatening injuries. Officers from the crash team have conducted an investigation and determined speed was a major factor in the collision.

On August 29, officers responded the 900 block of Thompson Street for an assault. After completing an investigation, a warrant was obtained and served on the suspect for assault.

# 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.

Cases Assigned This Month	16
Cases Assigned (YTD)	101
Cases Cleared (YTD)	58
Clearance Rate (YTD)	57.4%
Surveillance (assignments)	5
Report Writing (hours)	17
Search Warrants/Court Orders	6
Warrants Obtained	1
Court Proceedings (hours)	4
Forensic Processing (hours)	8
Meetings with Other Agencies	4

## Investigative Highlights

Investigators continued their investigation this month into a series of catalytic converter thefts that have impacted the town and surrounding jurisdictions. Investigators continue to work with other agencies sharing valuable information.

Investigators responded to two complaints of child abuse. One was unfounded and the other was found to have occurred in another jurisdiction. Information was forwarded to the appropriate agency for investigation.

Investigators were assigned several fraud complaints throughout the month. Investigators have submitted search warrant records requests to multiple financial institutions reference these cases.

Investigators responded for a breaking and entering at Carter Park Pool. There were extensive efforts made to identify a suspect however there have been no leads in this case. Forensic processing of the scene revealed some minor evidence which is being analyzed currently.

Investigators were assigned to follow-up on a possible assault. The female victim was located at the hospital with significant injuries. Arrest warrants for attempted murder, malicious wounding and strangulation were obtained. Investigations and patrol officers worked together to arrest the subject without incident.

Investigators assisted with a report of an individual firing a gun in the air near the area of 214 Randolph Street. An individual was identified through citizen cooperation and video surveillance and an arrest was made for one of the suspects in the vehicle from which the shot was fired.

# 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	1
Presentations	1
CPTED Plan Reviews	3
Training (hours)	18
Park, Walk and Talk	5
Adopt a Senior Visits	3
Lunch Buddies	1
Project Lifesaver Visits	1
Special Event Meetings	2
Patrol/Support hours covered	2
Social Media Outreach (Posts)	2

19,166 \*people reached

## Crime Prevention Notes

August 3: National Night Out and Kona-with-a-Cop throughout Town.

August 4: Security Assessment at Ashland Theatre.

Throughout August; Panel Interviews, Polygraphs, and Command Staff Interviews were completed for three lateral candidates.

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## Training

August 10: Redacting Records - VA Specific - Webinar
EVOG Lesson Plan submitted and approved.
August 24 - 25: ICS 400 - Virtual.

## Items of Note

August 28: Ashland Half Marathon.
Town employee workouts coached.
All fire extinguishers inspected.