

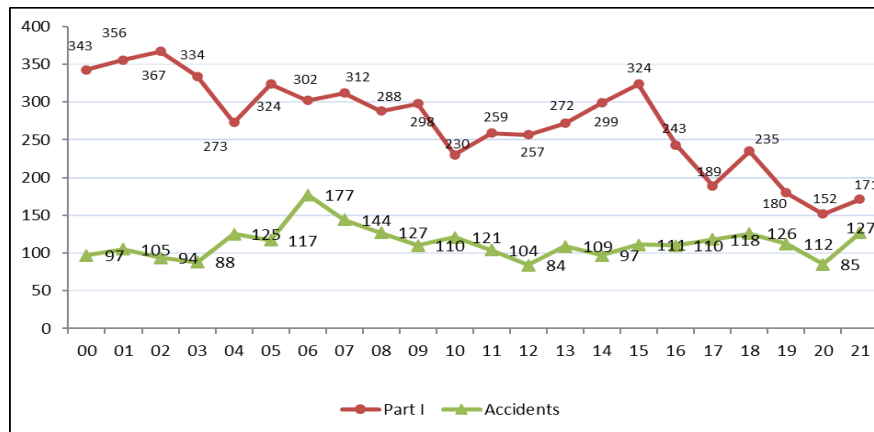
Memorandum

To: Mr. Josh Farrar, Town Manager
 From: Major A. Troy Aronhalt
 Date: January 11, 2021
 Re.: Preliminary 2021 Year End APD Report
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Please find below a brief summary of criminal and traffic reports for 2021. At this point, these annual figures should be considered preliminary until final reports are completed.

- **12.5%** increase in Part I Offenses (Index Crimes) with 171 incidents (*an increase from 152 offenses in 2020*)
 - **0** Arson incident (*level with 2020*)
 - **28** Aggravated Assaults (*up 18 from 2020*)
 - **4** Burglaries (*down from 9 in 2020*)
 - **126** Larcenies (*up 6 from 2020*)
 - **8** Auto Thefts (*up 1 from 2020*)
 - **3** Robberies (*level with 2020*)
 - **3** Rape offense (*level with 2020*)
 - **0** Homicide offense (*level with 2020*)

Note: *In the past 20 years, the highest level of Part I Offenses (Index Crimes) was in 2002 (367). 2020 saw the lowest level of Part I Offenses in 20 years.*



- **49.4%** increase in motor vehicle crashes
 - **127** reportable crashes in 2021 (up from 85 in 2020)
 - **10** DUI arrests (down from 11 in 2020)

Note: *In the past 20 years, the highest number of accidents was in 2006 (177) with the lowest in 2012 (84).*

We plan on presenting you with our comprehensive 2021 review with our FY23 budget presentation later this year. If you have any questions regarding this data, please do not hesitate to call on me. I remain in your service.



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.

December 2021

Part 1 Offenses	Dec 2021	Dec 2020	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2020
Homicide									
Rape		1	2	3	-1	0	2	100%	3
Robbery			3	3	0				3
Aggravated Assault	1	1	28	10	18	19	2	75%	10
Arson					0				
Burglary			4	9	-5	1	0	25%	9
Larceny (below categories)	13	12	126	120	6	29	4	26%	120
Pick Pocket					0				
Purse-Snatching					0				
Shoplifting	4	8	44	40	4	25		57%	40
Theft from a Building	2		14	17	-3		2	14%	17
Theft from a Coin Machine			0	2	-2				2
Theft from a Motor Vehicle	3	1	17	22	-5	1		6%	22
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	1	2	28	11	17	1		4%	11
All other Larceny	3	1	23	28	-5	2	2	17%	28
Auto Theft	1	1	8	7	1	2		25%	7
Total Part I Offenses	15	15	171	152	19	51	8	35%	152

Other Offenses of Community Concern	Dec 2021	Dec 2020	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2020
Destruction/Vandalism	3	3	42	50	-8	4	4	19%	50
Drugs/Narcotics	3	3	28	40	-12	17	0	61%	40
Weapons Violations	1	0	14	6	8	8	2	71%	6
Drunk in Public	3	2	39	25	14	37	0	95%	25
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	4	3	1	2	0	50%	3

Service Demands and Productivity	Dec 2021	Dec 2020	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	YTD Diff	Total 2020
Calls for Service	525	480	6,686	6,047	639	6,047
Self Initiated Activities	1,094	1,338	14,635	12,275	2,360	12,275
Criminal Arrests	13	27	252	267	-15	267
Traffic Summonses	85	86	1,142	870	272	870
DUI Arrests	1	0	10	11	-1	11
Accidents	7	4	127	85	42	85

PATROL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Patrol Operations is comprised of 16 sworn officers under the leadership of **Captain James Shelhorse**. 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	182	334	181	157
Criminal Arrests	5	3	2	2
DUI Arrests	0	0	0	1
Park, Walk & Talks	86	88	60	101
Incident Reports	21	24	12	8
Traffic Stops	27	18	45	43
Field Interviews	1	2	6	2
P2B/C Contacts	9	9	5	12
Adopt a Senior Visits	0	0	0	0
School Visits	12	3	0	0
Bank Checks	12	9	0	0
Funeral Escorts	8	19	0	0
Property Checks	39	16	694	1021
Open Doors	0	1	21	7
ECO/TDO	1	1	1	1

STAR Corridor Update

Officers handled **14** calls for service in this area; completed **53** park, walk and talk activities as well as **11** hours of traffic enforcement and general observation time. Officers had **38** community contacts and conducted **5** roll call meetings.

Patrol Highlights

On December 5, officers responded to a domestic situation in the 100 block of North Carter Road. Upon completion of the investigation, a male subject was arrested for kidnapping and domestic assault.

On December 8, officers responded to the 600 block of North Washington Highway for a reported assault. Upon completion of the investigation, a male subject was arrested for public intoxication.

On December 19, officers responded to the 800 block of England Street for a suspicious situation. Upon completion of the investigation, a male subject was arrested for public intoxication and possession of schedule I/II narcotics.

On December 19, officers responded to a report of a disorderly subject in the 100 block of Winter Oak Drive. Upon completion of the investigation, a male subject was arrested for public intoxication.

On December 21, officers responded to Ashcake Road and South Center Street for a vehicle crash. Upon completion of the investigation, a male was arrested for DUI and driving on a revoked/suspended license.

On December 28, officers responded to the 100 block of Winter Oak Drive for a shooting. Officers provided medical aid to the victim until emergency medical services arrived. Patrol units assisted investigations in securing the suspect.

SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Under the command of Special Operations Division, the **Investigative Unit** is comprised of three investigators led by **Captain Marie Kemp**. 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)	165
Cases Cleared (YTD)	92
Clearance Rate (YTD)	55.7%
Surveillance (hours)	0
Report Writing (hours)	18
Search Warrants	9
Warrants Obtained	4
Court Proceedings (hours)	12
Forensic Processing (hours)	29
Meetings with Other Agencies	3

Investigative Highlights

On December 12, investigators responded to reported injury involving the discharge of a firearm. Upon completion of the investigation, it was determined the incident was self-inflicted and a crime had not occurred.

On December 28, officers responded to a shooting incident in Sedgefield. The victim was transported to the hospital for non-life threatening injuries. Investigators processed the scene, interviewed witnesses, secured a confession, and arrested the suspect for attempted murder, aggravated malicious wounding, shooting from a vehicle, and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

Investigators attended training for suicide recognition in fellow first responders.

Investigators have conducted an interview on a suspect in several catalytic convertor thefts in which the suspect admitted to stealing the convertors. Warrants against the suspect will be obtained in these thefts.

An investigation was conducted on a subject who was accused of writing and passing fraudulent checks. Investigators obtained warrants that were later served on the suspect. It was also discovered during the investigation the suspect has committed several incidents of fraudulent activity in the Richmond Metropolitan area.

Investigators conducted a peer support debrief for members of APD due to a critical incident that occurred while officers were working.

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), the Auxiliary Unit (1 volunteer officer) and civilian volunteers all led by **Captain 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	2
Security Assessments	1
Presentations	0
CPTED Plan Reviews	3
Training (hours)	48
Park, Walk and Talk	18
Adopt a Senior Visits	3
Lunch Buddies	0
Project Lifesaver Visits	2
Social Media Outreach (Posts)	15

17,966 *people reached

Crime Prevention Notes

- December 2: MADD "Tie One On For Safety" Kick Off 2021 Event
- December 7: Hanover AARP 20th Anniversary Event.
- December 9: TRIAD Adopt-a-Senior Holiday Luncheon.
- December 17: NP-STAR Holiday Yard Sale Coat & Toy Give-away.
- December 20-21: Shop-with-a-Cop Holiday Deliveries

Training

December 9: Field Training Officer recertification training at RRCJA.
December 3,13-14: Post academy recruit training.
December 29 - 30: Pre-academy new hire training.

Items of Note

Final steps of selection process completed for two new hires. Final offers accepted.
Coordinated server replacement with IT.
Developed and sent for approval In-service Lesson Plan - Use of Force (De-escalation and report writing)