



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 A. Troy Aronhalt

August 2022

Part 1 Offenses	August 2022	August 2021	YTD 2022	YTD 2021	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2021
Homicide									
Rape				3	-3			#DIV/0!	3
Robbery	1		3	2	1	1	0	50%	3
Aggravated Assault	3	6	16	17	-1	7	0	44%	28
Arson					0				
Burglary		1	5	3	2	1		20%	4
Larceny (below categories)	5	17	96	86	10	23	0	24%	128
Pick Pocket					0				
Purse-Snatching					0				
Shoplifting	3	3	31	30	1	16	0	52%	44
Theft from a Building		3	4	9	-5	0	0	0%	15
Theft from a Coin Machine					0				0
Theft from a Motor Vehicle		1	31	14	17	3	0	10%	17
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	1	7	13	21	-8	1	0	8%	28
All other Larceny	1	3	17	12	5	3	0	18%	24
Auto Theft			11	7	4	3	0	27%	8
Total Part I Offenses	9	24	131	118	13	35	0	27%	174

Other Offenses of Community Concern	August 2022	August 2021	YTD 2022	YTD 2021	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2021
Destruction/Vandalism	6	10	55	33	22	7	1	15%	45
Drugs/Narcotics	1	0	8	21	-13	2	0	25%	28
Weapons Violations	4	1	16	10	6	3	1	25%	14
Disorderly Conduct	2	NA	30	NA	28	28	0	93%	39
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	2	4	-2	1	0	50%	4

Service Demands and Productivity	August 2022	August 2021	YTD 2022	YTD 2021	YTD Diff	Total 2021
Calls for Service	569	588	4,578	4,101	477	6,686
Self Initiated Activities	1,204	972	11,246	9,897	1,349	14,635
Criminal Arrests	29	14	222	170	52	252
Traffic Summonses	111	73	1,071	739	332	1,142
DUI Arrests	2	0	11	5	6	10
Accidents	7	14	65	75	-10	127

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	257	324	220	130
Criminal Arrests	20	4	3	1
DUI Arrests	1	0	0	1
Park, Walk & Talks	123	189	125	96
Incident Reports	24	16	8	10
Traffic Stops	54	64	24	36
Field Interviews	7	0	2	2
P2B/C Contacts	8	5	12	4
Adopt a Senior Visits	0	0	0	0
School Visits	9	7	0	0
Bank Checks	8	11	0	0
Funeral Escorts	1	8	0	0
Property Checks	224	169	1276	774
Open Doors	1	5	1	3
ECO/TDO	2	1	1	1

STAR Corridor Update

Officers handled **3** calls for service in this area; completed **37** park, walk and talk activities as well as **14** hours of traffic enforcement and general observation time. Officers had **14** community contacts and conducted **10** roll call meetings.

Patrol Highlights

On August 4, officers responded to the 500 block of North Washington Highway for a call regarding an individual with outstanding warrants. Upon completion of an investigation, the subject was arrested on multiple warrants.

On August 8, officers responded to the 700 block of England Street in reference to a disorderly subject. Upon completion of an investigation, the subject was arrested for indecent exposure and disorderly conduct.

On August 9, 2022, officers responded to the 300 Block of MacMurdo Street for a call involving two subjects fighting in the rear yard of the residence. After an investigation, two male subjects were arrested for domestic assault.

On August 11, an officer conducted a traffic stop in the 500 block of North Washington Highway. The driver of the vehicle was found to have an outstanding warrant and was taken into custody without incident.

On August 20, officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the 11400 block of South Washington Highway. Upon completion of the investigation, the adult male driver was arrested for DUI and refusal to take a breath test.

On August 27, officers initiated a traffic stop in the 500 block of North Washington Highway. Upon completion of an investigation, a subject was arrested for driving under the influence and refusal to take a breath test.

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	22
Cases Assigned (YTD)	182
Cases Cleared (YTD)	76
Clearance Rate (YTD)	41.7%
Surveillance (hours)	0
Report Writing (hours)	37
Search Warrants	6
Warrants Obtained	11
Court Proceedings (hours)	6
Forensic Processing (hours)	25
Meetings with Other Agencies	4

Investigative Highlights

On August 1, investigators obtained juvenile petitions for a suspect that assaulted a victim in the 200 block of England Street.

On August 2, investigators were called out to locate a missing/runaway juvenile. Investigators were able to safely locate the juvenile and return the juvenile home.

On August 5, investigators were called out to the 100 block of Winter Oak Drive to investigate a B&E. Investigators were able to develop a suspect and obtained juvenile petitions on the suspect for vandalism and larceny. While on scene, a juvenile was reported missing by his guardian. Investigators were able to utilize tips received from the community to locate the juvenile. In addition, a warrant for obstruction of justice was obtained for an adult that assisted in the juvenile's disappearance.

On August 7, investigators were called for a missing/runaway juvenile. While attempting to locate the juvenile, investigators were receiving tips related to his whereabouts. On August 12, the Hanover Sheriff's Office and our patrol units located the juvenile at a truck stop in Hanover County. Two warrants were obtained for an adult involved with assisting in the disappearance of the juvenile.

On August 15, investigators responded to the 100 block of North Cottage Green Drive for a call of shots fired into a moving vehicle. Working with the patrol division, investigators were able to develop a suspect and safely make an arrest within hours of the incident. The suspect was arrested for brandishing a firearm, shooting into a vehicle, attempted malicious wounding, use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, and discharging a firearm in a public place.

On August 19, investigators obtained a juvenile petition for a suspect for felony vandalism for an incident that took place in the 200 block of Race Course Street.

Items of Note

One investigator attended Reid Interview and Interrogation School.
One investigator attended ZetX training. This training involved use, analyzing or call detail records and mapping. This has proved to be a useful tool during investigations.
One investigator attended Crime Scene Photography Training.

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 **Captain Marie Kemp**. In addition to duties tasked to individual members, this component is responsible for Recruitment, Selection, Training, Public Information/FOIA, and IT Administration.

Crime Prevention Activities	
Neighborhood Watch Meetings	5
Association Meetings	2
Security Assessments	1
Presentations	2
CPTED Plan Reviews	5
Training (hours)	61
Park, Walk and Talk	18
Adopt a Senior Visits	4
Lunch Buddies	2
Project Lifesaver Visits	1
FOIA Responses	8
Crime Analysis Meetings	1
Social Media Outreach (Posts)	18

50,361 reached/13,700 engagements/488 reactions

Crime Prevention Notes

- August 2: National Night Out event with five communities.
- August 6: Crime Prevention Resource Table at Community Picnic.
- August 10: Hotel Taskforce Meeting.
- August 11: TRIAD Meeting.
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- August 15: "Tall Cop" Drug Resistance presentation.
- August 23: Human Trafficking Collaborative Meeting.
- August 25: NAACP Community Forum meeting.
- August 29: Crisis Response presentation at Hanover Academy.
- August 30: Active Shooter Response presentation for Ashland Theatre.
- August 31: Crisis Response Site Review at Hanover Academy

Training

August 2-4: APD hosted LawFit Fitness Leadership Course.
August 22: IBR Level 1 Training.
August 23: ABCs of Human Resources.
August 24: FOIA - Law Enforcement Records.
August 25-26: Pistol Mounted Optic Instructor School.

Items of Note

We currently have four vacancies. In regards to our hiring process, two certified applicant panel interviews were completed. One certified officer polygraph was completed. One non-certified applicant command staff interview was completed. One non-certified battery of psychological tests were completed.