



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

Sept 2022

Part 1 Offenses	Sept 2022	Sept 2021	YTD 2022	YTD 2021	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2021
Homicide									
Rape				3	-3				3
Robbery			3	2	1	1	0	33%	3
Aggravated Assault	3	3	19	20	-1	10	2	63%	28
Arson					0				
Burglary			5	3	2	0	1	20%	4
Larceny (below categories)	8	11	105	97	8	26	0	25%	128
Pick Pocket					0				
Purse-Snatching					0				
Shoplifting	2	4	33	34	-1	17	0	52%	44
Theft from a Building	2	2	6	11	-5	0	0	0%	15
Theft from a Coin Machine					0				0
Theft from a Motor Vehicle	2		33	14	19	3	0	9%	17
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts		2	14	23	-9	1	0	7%	28
All other Larceny	2	3	19	15	4	5	0	26%	24
Auto Theft			11	7	4	3	0	27%	8
Total Part I Offenses	11	14	143	132	11	40	3	30%	174

Other Offenses of Community Concern	Sept 2022	Sept 2021	YTD 2022	YTD 2021	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2021
Destruction/Vandalism	5	5	60	38	22	10	1	18%	45
Drugs/Narcotics	1	3	9	24	-15	4	0	44%	28
Weapons Violations	1	1	16	11	5	4	1	31%	14
Disorderly Conduct	4		34		34	34	0	100%	
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	2	4	-2	1	0	50%	4

Service Demands and Productivity	Sept 2022	Sept 2021	YTD 2022	YTD 2021	YTD Diff	Total 2021
Calls for Service	553	560	5,131	4,961	170	6,686
Self Initiated Activities	1,106	1,302	12,352	11,199	1,153	14,635
Criminal Arrests	26	22	251	193	58	252
Traffic Summonses	146	83	1,217	825	392	1,142
DUI Arrests	0	2	11	7	4	10
Accidents	8	10	73	85	-12	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	211	307	144	135
Criminal Arrests	20	5	1	4
DUI Arrests	0	0	0	0
Park, Walk & Talks	114	222	88	103
Incident Reports	31	14	9	5
Traffic Stops	56	64	19	54
Field Interviews	0	0	1	5
P2B/C Contacts	6	7	12	5
Adopt a Senior Visits	0	0	0	0
School Visits	16	17	0	0
Bank Checks	10	12	0	0
Funeral Escorts	1	3	0	0
Property Checks	161	180	695	925
Open Doors	0	5	2	2
ECO/TDO	3	0	0	0

STAR Corridor Update

Officers handled **3** calls for service in this area; completed **40** park, walk and talk activities as well as **14** hours of traffic enforcement and general observation time. Officers had **18** community contacts and conducted **3** roll call meetings.

Patrol Highlights

On September 3, officers were notified of a disorderly passenger on an Amtrack Train. Officers responded to the 100 block of North Railroad Avenue and located the suspect who was arrested for public intoxication.

On September 9, officers were dispatched to a call of a suspicious person in the 200 block of Archie Cannon Drive. Upon completion on the investigation, the suspect was located and arrested for indecent exposure.

On September 10, officers responded to the 100 block of North Cottage Green Drive for an abandoned vehicle. Upon completion of the investigation, the vehicle was found occupied and the occupant was arrested for being intoxicated in public and for assault on law enforcement.

On September 18, officers responded to the 100 block of Winter Oak Drive for a call for service. Upon completion of the investigation, a subject was arrested for malicious wounding.

On September 23, officers observed a known wanted subject in the 400 block of England Street. The subject was arrested for an outstanding warrant and possession of a controlled narcotic.

On September 28, officers responded to the 300 block of South Center Street for a call for service. Upon completion of the investigation, a subject was arrested for strangulation and domestic assault.

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	11
Cases Assigned (YTD)	193
Cases Cleared (YTD)	89
Clearance Rate (YTD)	46.1%
Surveillance (hours)	0
Report Writing (hours)	39
Court Orders	14
Warrants Obtained	4
Court Proceedings (hours)	7.5
Forensic Processing (hours)	21
Meetings with Other Agencies	5

Investigative Highlights

On September 3, investigators obtained a grand larceny warrant on a subject who unlocked a game of chance machine and stole money. This incident occurred in the 10000 block of East Patrick Henry Road. Investigators worked with a surrounding jurisdiction and were able to arrest the subject.

On September 16, investigators obtained a grand larceny warrant for a subject for motor vehicle theft. The vehicle was stolen from the 300 block of Thompson Street. Investigators worked with a nearby jurisdiction to locate and arrest the subject.

On September 26, investigators obtained one contributing to the delinquency of a minor warrant for a subject. This case involved an adult that was having a sexual relationship with a juvenile. Unfortunately, the warrant has not been served as the subject remains at large.

Investigators obtained and processed 14 court orders to obtain digital evidence needed in multiple pending cases.

This month investigators received training in Active Aggressor Response, Cellebrite Recertification, and Supervisor Training for Trauma Informed Policing/and Self-Care for Officers.

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, Special Event Coordination, and IT Administration.

Crime Prevention Activities	
Neighborhood Watch Meetings	0
Association Meetings	1
Security Assessments	0
Presentations	1
CPTED Plan Reviews	2
Training (hours)	18
Park, Walk and Talk	11
Adopt a Senior Visits	2
Lunch Buddies	1
Project Lifesaver Visits	2
FOIA Responses	7
Crime Analysis Meetings	1
Social Media Outreach (Posts)	23

18,055 reached/4,192 engagements/736 reactions

Crime Prevention Notes

September 1: Community Expectations Meeting with RMC Baseball Team.

September 9: RMC Student Services Carnival.

September 9: Attended the Hanover Opioid Task Force Meeting.

September 14: Regional Crime Intel Meeting.

September 17: Ashland Little League Fall Opening Day Parade.

September 27: Parking Meeting with Pride of Hanover Masonic Lodge.

September 28: Hanover Cares Community Committees Meeting.

Training

Completed Department wide All Hazard Training at RMC.

Items of Note

We currently have four vacancies. Regarding our hiring process, one candidate completed the final steps of the selection process and was presented with a final offer of employment which he accepted. This recruit will begin the Academy this month. One certified candidate completed the background phase and command staff interview of the hiring process and was given a conditional offer which he accepted. One certified candidate completed the polygraph and started the background phase of the hiring process.

Made storm preparation plans and attended several meetings regarding Hurricane Ian.