



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

June 2023

Part 1 Offenses	June 2023	June 2022	YTD 2023	YTD 2022	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2022
Homicide									2
Rape			2	1	1	1	1	100%	3
Robbery			2	1	1	1		50%	3
Aggravated Assault	2	3	10	9	1	7		70%	30
Arson					0				0
Burglary	2		4	5	-1	1		25%	9
Larceny (below categories)	13	15	67	81	-14	16	1	25%	149
Pick Pocket					0				0
Purse-Snatching					0				0
Shoplifting	8	4	25	20	5	9		36%	58
Theft from a Building	3	1	9	4	5	1		11%	10
Theft from a Coin Machine			1	0	1				0
Theft from a Motor Vehicle	1	6	7	30	-23			0%	38
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts		3	8	11	-3			0%	17
All other Larceny	1	1	17	16	1	6	1	41%	26
Auto Theft	2	2	7	10	-3	2		29%	12
Total Part I Offenses	19	20	92	107	-15	28	2	33%	208

Other Offenses of Community Concern	June 2023	June 2022	YTD 2023	YTD 2022	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2022
Destruction/Vandalism	6	9	32	34	-2	6	1	22%	70
Drugs/Narcotics	3	1	12	5	7	9	1	83%	11
Weapons Violations	1	1	12	7	5	9	0	75%	18
Disorderly Conduct	2	1	16	20	-4	15	0	94%	40
Liquor Law Violations	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	100%	4

Service Demands and Productivity	June 2023	June 2022	YTD 2023	YTD 2022	YTD Diff		Total 2022
Calls for Service	683	625	3,529	3,432	97		6,636
Self Initiated Activities	911	1,309	6,140	8,668	-2,528		15,307
Criminal Arrests	40	9	184	151	33		321
Traffic Summonses	56	132	642	855	-213		1,614
DUI Arrests	2	0	11	8	3		13
Accidents	8	6	69	51	18		100

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	270	301	302	113
Criminal Arrests	7	4	20	0
DUI Arrests	0	0	2	0
Park, Walk & Talks	103	198	85	65
Incident Reports	16	23	21	6
Traffic Stops	37	46	55	4
Field Interviews	5	0	0	0
P2B/C Contacts	10	2	6	5
Adopt a Senior Visits	0	0	1	0
School Visits	3	3	0	0
Bank Checks	4	3	0	0
Funeral Escorts	3	0	0	0
Property Checks	45	188	626	695
Open Doors	1	3	3	1
ECO/TDO	0	0	4	0

STAR Corridor Update

Officers handled **12** calls for service in this area; completed **28** park, walk and talk activities as well as **8** hours of traffic enforcement and general observation time. Officers had **15** community contacts and conducted **2** roll call meetings.

Patrol Highlights

On June 9, officers responded to the 200 block of North Washington Highway to attempt to locate a hit and run suspect. Upon completion of an investigation, the passenger of the suspected vehicle was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

On June 13, officers located a suspicious vehicle in the 100 block of North Washington Highway. Upon completion of an investigation, a subject was arrested for Possession of Schedule I/II, Contributing to Delinquency of a Minor, and a tobacco law violation.

On June 14, officers responded to the 100 block of South Hill Carter Parkway for a commercial alarm which was later determined to be a breaking and entering. Upon completion of an investigation, a subject was located nearby and arrested for breaking and entering and vandalism.

On June 18, officers conducted a traffic stop in the 12300 block of South Washington Highway. Upon completion of an investigation, the driver was arrested for DUI, refusal of breath test, child neglect, and a traffic offense.

On June 18, officers responded to a disorderly subject in the 100 block of North Carter Road. Upon completion of the investigation, the suspect was arrested for an outstanding warrant, possession of a controlled substance, and possession of a concealed weapon.

On June 25, an officer observed an erratic driver in the 500 block of South Washington

Highway. The officer developed probable cause to stop the vehicle and the driver was arrested for DUI after an investigation.

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	17
Cases Assigned (YTD)	119
Cases Cleared (YTD)	60
Clearance Rate (YTD)	50.4%
Surveillance (hours)	18
Report Writing (hours)	28
Search Warrants	3
Warrants Obtained	9
Court Proceedings (hours)	16.5
Forensic Processing (hours)	17
Meetings with Other Agencies	1

Investigative Highlights

Investigators obtained warrants for credit card theft, petit larceny, and credit card fraud on a subject for stealing and using a credit card in the 100 block of North Washington Highway. Investigators located and arrested the suspect without incident.

A victim reported that a subject posted a picture of a trailer that was being stored in a parking lot on a social media site pretending the trailer belonged to him and selling the trailer. An unsuspecting person paid for the trailer and drove it away after meeting the suspect in person. Investigators were able to identify the suspect pretending to own the trailer and have obtained warrants for selling stolen property and obtaining money by false pretenses. The trailer was located and returned to the rightful owner. Investigators are attempting to locate the suspect as it is believed he is still in the area.

A subject broke into a fenced in area of a business in the 12000 block of Maple Street and stole a vehicle. Investigators were able to develop a suspect and obtain a grand larceny warrant against the subject. At this time, it is believed that the subject has fled out of State and investigators are working with the out of State jurisdiction to assist in locating the subject and the vehicle.

Two subjects entered a business in the 12000 block of South Washington Highway and stole cigarettes from the back storage room. These same subjects have committed similar larcenies in the surrounding area within the same time frame. Investigators, working with other local jurisdictions, were able to identify the two subjects and obtained felony larceny warrants on the subjects. Ashland Investigators are currently working with other jurisdictions and the US Marshal's office in an attempt to locate and arrest these subjects.

Investigators located a subject that was wanted for a sexual assault and arrested the subject without incident. This incident stemmed from a sexual assault that took place in May of 2023 in the 200 block of Cottage Green Drive.

The Ashland Investigative Division and Investigators with the Hanover County Sheriff's Department conducted a surveillance operation at several of the motels in Ashland. The purpose of this operation was to develop leads into the potential narcotics dealers staying at these motels, and to locate several wanted subjects believed to be staying in the motels.

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	1
Association Meetings	3
Security Assessments	3
Presentations	2
CPTED Plan Reviews	1
Training (hours)	76
Park, Walk and Talk	14
Adopt a Senior Visits	0
Lunch Buddies	1
Project Lifesaver Visits	3
FOIA Responses	13
Crime Analysis Meetings	0
Social Media Outreach (Posts)	11

132,368 reached/30,747 engagements/3,066 reactions

Crime Prevention Notes

June 8: MAP and TRIAD Meetings

June 13: Gandy and Henry Clay ES Summer Kick-off Event

June 13: Hanover Apartments Neighborhood Watch Meeting

June 28: Personal Safety Presentation at Omni Park Place Senior Apartments

Training

Post-Academy Recruit Training
Legal Update Training
Initial Recruit Training

Items of Note

Authorized sworn: 27
Actual Sworn: 22
Recruits in the Academy: 1
Vacancies: 4