# **Monthly Report**

October 2024



Accreditation demonstrates the professional achievements of the men and women of this Department. This recognition further demonstrates our collective dedication to excellence in professional Law Enforcement. By voluntarily meeting New Jersey Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission standards, the North Plainfield Police Department has shown itself willing to be held to a higher level of professionalism, building trust between the Department and the citizens it serves

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#### **ADMINISTRATION:**

# Staffing:

The Police Department is operating below its authorized strength of 48 sworn Officers. Staffing and deficiencies:

- 2 Patrol Officers
- 1 SLEO III

# Injured Officers/Officers on Leave:

- Det. William Parenti Jr. was involved in a motor vehicle accident on November 9, 2022 and remains out of work.
- Ptl. Sabrina Romasz injured her leg while directing traffic on December 19, 2023. As of September 16, 2023 she is on light duty.
- Ptl. Valerio Zuena had elective surgery on September 23, 2024 and is currently on light duty.

### Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

• There were no promotions, new hires, or retirements this month.

## CID Monthly Report

# A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On October 1, 2024 at 1921 hrs., patrol responded to a convenience store on Route 22 East for a report of suspects that uttered fraudulent \$100.00 bills. The store clerk reported that two individuals came into the store and uttered \$300.00 worth of fraudulent \$100.00 bills within the store and also went to the gas station attendant and received change for two \$100.00 bills, making it a total of five \$100.00 bills. The surveillance footage shows the first suspect was a tall, heavy set black male with long dreads and was wearing a blue zip up jacket. That male uttered a \$100.00 bill at the front register. The second suspect is a skinny black male with afro style hair and a black sweatshirt. The second suspect uttered two \$100.00 counterfeit bills at the front register. The clerk stated that the heavy-set black male walked over to the gas station attendant and gave him two \$100.00 counterfeit bills and asked for change. The suspects exited the store and entered a black Honda with no front license plate, operated by a young black female wearing a gray sweat suit.

On October 2, 2024 at 1024 hrs., the ARRIVE Team was contacted by a borough resident regarding his son, who he believed was in need of a psychiatric evaluation. The caller stated that his son has a mental health illness and that over the last few months he

has spent too much time in his bedroom and refuses to communicate with anyone. The caller noticed his son stopped taking his prescribed medication, which led to him resigning from his job. Officers spoke with the victim who said he suffers from bipolar, depression, and schizophrenia and that it has gone untreated for approximately three years. He denied any suicidal/homicidal ideations or hearing voices at this time. The ARRIVE mental health screener completed his assessment and did not deem it necessary to have the son involuntarily committed, however, it was suggested that he be seen at the hospital for a further evaluation and assistance in receiving the proper treatment. The victim agreed and was transported to a hospital for evaluation.

On October 9, 2024 at 2346 hrs., patrol responded to an apartment complex north of Route 22 for multiple individuals dressed in all black pulling on car door handles. Officers arrived and observed the group and called for them to stop. Three of the suspects started running north through the apartments and were chased by an officer. One of the males obeyed the command to stop. That male told one of the officers that one of the three suspects had a gun. The other suspects who were later identified entered a gray Acura when an officer approached them. All three were ordered multiple times to exit the vehicle and they eventually complied. All four males were placed under arrest for obstruction. A consent to search the vehicle was obtained by the vehicle's owner and inside the vehicle three walkie talkies, multiple flashlights, and a ski mask were located. The officer who chased the suspects retraced his steps from the foot pursuit and located two black ski masks, a black cross body bag, and two machetes. No gun was located. CID was notified of the incident. One adult male suspect was issued a summons and released at 0202 hrs. The other three males were juveniles and they were released to their parents pending charges.

NOTE: We are required by the Rules of Court to include herein a statement explaining that the charges are merely an accusation and that the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

#### **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:**

# A comparison of Adult incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	76	749
Closed	32	383
Active	7	18
Suspended	37	346
Forwarded to SCPO	2	57

### A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	23	114
Closed	19	102

Active	3	5
Suspended	1	7
Forwarded to other Agencies	10	32

### Community Outreach

The Community Policing Unit made twelve (12) first time alarm notifications and seven (7) general alarm notifications. D/Sgt. Domizi assisted in numerous translations for both patrol & CID, attended the Field Intelligence Officers meeting, JIF meeting, and the North Plainfield Library story time.

#### Other Matters

CID tracked five (5) Handle with Care notifications made to the school district. CID conducted six (6) licensing investigations in October (5-Firearms, 1-Limousine). Lt. Ciempola conducted four (4) sex offender registrations.

# Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Det. Jordan Rogers appeared in Grand Jury for State v. Christopher Ransom, which resulted in a true bill for 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burglary.

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**INTERNAL AFFAIRS:** During the month of October, there were two (2) new internal affairs complaints filed.

Investigation #	Classification	Disposition	Corrective Action
24-10	Demeanor	Pending	Pending
24-11	BWC violation	Pending	Pending

### **PATROL DIVISION:**

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	14,698	147,037
Miles on unmarked patrol	0	523
Total miles on patrol	14,698	147,560

#### Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	1	17
Moving Hazardous Violation	64	590

Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	144	1,329
Ordinance Violation	4	57
Parking Violation	128	1,210
Seatbelt	0	210
Radar / Speeding	28	241
Refusal Breath Test	0	3
Child Restraints	0	50
Reckless Driving	4	45
Cell Phone	7	629
Careless Driving	16	222
Suspended License	12	140
Written Warnings	167	2,482
Totals	575	7,225
Included in above totals		
Loud Exhaust	3	183
Loud Exhaust Warnings	2	81
Parking Sticks	0	0

# Radar / Loud Exhaust Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT
Brook Avenue	9 Hours
Clinton Avenue	17 Hours
Farragut Road	3 Hours
Greenbrook Road	4 Hours
Grove Street	33 Hours
Leland Avenue	9 Hours
Mountain Avenue	1 Hour
Myrtle Avenue	9 Hours
Norwood Avenue	30 Hours
Rt 22E/North	1 Hour
Rt 22E/Watchung	8 Hours
Rt 22E/Wilson	1 Hour
Rt 22W/Grove	1 Hour
Rt 22W/North	7 Hours
Rt 22W/Wilson	1 Hour
Somerset Street	22 Hours
Warfield Road	1 Hour
Washington Avenue	4 Hours
Watchung Avenue	10 Hours
Willow Avenue	3 Hours
Total Radar Posts	174
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Total Radar Enforcement	81

# Radar Speed Recorder:

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STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Belmont Avenue	10/04/24-10/14/24
Howard Street	10/04/24-10/14/24
Brook Avenue	10/14/24-10/22/24
Washington Avenue	10/14/24-10/22/24
Columbia Avenue	10/22/24-10/29/24
Westervelt Avenue	10/22/24-10/29/24
Maple Avenue	10/29/24-10/31/24
Taft Avenue	10/29/24-10/31/24

# School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	24 Hours
High School	6 Hours
Somerset School	3 Hours
Stonybrook School	27 Hours
West End School	27 Hours
TOTAL	87 Hours

# Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
North Jackson Avenue	10/01/24-10/17/24
Norwood Avenue	10/01/24-10/17/24
Rockview Avenue	10/01/24-10/17/24
Upper Somerset Street	10/01/24-10/17/24
Brook Avenue	10/17/24-10/31/24
Washington Avenue	10/17/24-10/31/24
Westervelt Avenue	10/17/24-10/31/24
Wilson Avenue	10/17/24-10/31/24
Columbia Avenue	10/31/24
Farragut Road	10/31/24
Leland Avenue	10/31/24
Myrtle Avenue	10/31/24

## Miscellaneous Information:

- We responded to 108 rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 24 building or premise checks.
- We investigated 32 general alarms.
- We made 440 motor vehicle stops.
- We conducted 114 walking beats.

- We conducted 25 school checks.
- We conducted 38 park checks.
- We conducted 64 area checks.
- We conducted 71 loud exhaust posts.
- The police department recorded a total of 3,483 incidents.
- BWC videos and CAD entries were reviewed by the Patrol Division Commander.
- 1 Motor Vehicle After Action Review, 1 OJI After Action Review, and 2 Use of Force After Action Reviews were conducted.

# Parking Enforcement Report:

Ticket	Fickets: Title 39 Met		Meter Related Safety Stick		Stick	Total			
		Month	/ YTD	Month /	YTD	Month /	YTD	Month /	YTD
	Totals	576	5,170	390	3,335	0	0	966	8,647

Meters		Permits		Total Revenue		
Monthly / YTD		Monthly / YTD		Monthly	/ YTD	
	16,673.98	143,538.50	1,220.00	25,700.00	17,893.98	169,238.50

# Monthly Accident Totals

Accidents	for 1	the	Month:	104

## **Summons Issued at Accidents:**

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	1
Hazardous	47	Non-Hazardous	14
Alcohol Related	0		

# Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable	36	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	0
Boro Streets-Reportable	55	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	0
Private Property-Reportable	13	Private Property Non-Reportable	0
Total Reportable Accidents	104	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	0

## **Accident Injury Report:**

Reports W/Injuries	31
Persons Injured	46
Fatal Accidents	0

## Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 868

#### **Summons Issued at Accidents:**

Refuse Breath Test	2	Driving While Intoxicated	6
Hazardous	351	Non-Hazardous	114

Alcohol Related 0

# Breakdown of Reportable and Non-Reportable

Rt 22-Reportable	258	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	4
Boro Streets-Reportable	474	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	11
Private Property-Reportable	121	Private Property Non-Reportable	0
Total Reportable Accidents	853	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	15

# **Accident Injury Report:**

Reports W/Injuries 208
Persons Injured 255
Fatal Accidents 2

### Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic conducted collections & escorted parking to the bank 8 hrs.
- Sgt. Kardos and Parking Enforcement conducted meter repairs.
- Traffic investigated/conducted follow ups on 4 accidents.
- Traffic and parking covered 17 crossing posts.
- Traffic Safety impounded 4 unregistered and uninsured electric motorcycles.
- Sgt. Kardos responded to a C.A.R.T callout in Branchburg on October 30, 2024.

### **SERVICE DIVISION:**

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$1,540.00	\$17,340.00
Calls for Service/Responses	3,483	36,022
Discovery Requests	25	296
Report Requests	20	144
Pieces of Evidence/Property	30	222

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	0
Rape	3	9
Robbery	0	12
Assault, Agg:	1	7
Assault Simple	23	162
Burglary	6	23
Larceny	29	232
M.V. Theft	1	17
Arson	0	0
Domestic Violence	20	223
Bias Incidents	0	5

Monthly Arrest Analysis		Month <b>Adult/Juv</b>		YTD <b>Adult/Juv</b>	
Murder	0	0	0	0	
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	
Rape	0	0	0	0	
Robbery	0	0	0	0	
Aggravated Assault	1	0	5	0	
Burglary	0	0	0	0	
Larceny/Theft	0	2	13	4	
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	4	0	
Simple Assault	11	0	55	0	
Arson	0	0	0	0	
Forgery	0	0	0	0	
Fraud	0	0	3	0	
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	
Stolen Property	0	0	2	0	
Criminal Mischief	1	0	5	0	
Weapons	0	2	1	3	
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	
Sex Offenses	0	0	1	0	
Violation of Drug Laws	1	0	9	0	
Gambling	0	0	0	0	
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	2	0	
Driving Under the Influence	1	0	17	0	
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0	
Disorderly Conduct	1	0	15	0	
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0	
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	1	
All Other Offenses	10	4	62	5	
Total UCR Arrests for Month	26	8	194	13	
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	7	0	49	1	
Grand Total Arrests for Month	33	8	243	14	

• 8 Juvenile Arrests for the Month

Respectfully submitted,

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