

Monthly Report

January 2019



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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March 1, 2019

ADMINISTRATION:

. Staffing:

The Police Department is operating below its authorized strength of 48 sworn Officers and 6 fulltime civilian personnel. Staffing and deficiencies:

- 1 police officer
- 1 Lieutenant's position

Injured Officers:

- Officer Jean-Baptiste was placed on administrative leave March 6, 2017, due to a complaint requiring an investigation. As of December 31, he was out of work for 381 days.
- Officer Francis Steinhauser was injured during the course of a psychiatric evaluation call and was put on light duty on May 18, 2018. As of December 31, he has been out of work for 148 days.

Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

- There were no promotions or new hires during January of 2019.

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A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On January 16, 2019 at approximately 2:07 PM, a resident reported the theft of several delivered packages from a business located on Somerset Street. The resident provided police with a complete description of the suspect also adding that the suspect frequents the area regularly on a bicycle. Police located video surveillance from a surrounding business and immediately identified the suspect as someone well known to police. Police located and arrested the suspect the following day as he was carrying the stolen packages. The suspect placed some of his own personal items in the package in an attempt to mislead police. The 58 year-old North Plainfield resident was charged with theft of moveable property and was released on a summons.

On January 23, 2019, police were called to the Capital One Bank located on Route 22 West for a suspicious incident. On arrival police were alerted to a suspicious male attempting to cash a fraudulent/stolen check in the amount of \$4,000.00. As police arrived and arrested the subject inside the bank, his co-defendant was outside in a vehicle attempting to leave the area. Police quickly located the vehicle and apprehended the subject inside. Detectives formally interviewed both subjects who implicated each other in post Miranda statements. Police then tracked down the stolen check and discovered that it had just been stolen from a gas station in neighboring Greenbrook, NJ. The Somerset County Prosecutors Office was contacted and indictable charges were

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authorized for both defendants. The two men were each charged with Uttering 3rd degree and Theft by Deception 3rd degree. The charges were placed on a complaint warrant and both men were lodged in the Somerset County jail pending a hearing.

On January 13, 2019, police were called to a Mali Drive address on a complaint of repeated Stalking. Police are very familiar with this address as the family has endured years of harassment by the same suspect. On arrival police learned from the family that the suspect was outside their residence in his vehicle but he had fled just as police were arriving. Police immediately knew who the suspect was and were also aware that a no contact order was in place, barring the suspect from having any contact with the family. Detectives contacted the Somerset County Prosecutors Office and charges of Stalking and Contempt were authorized. The charges were placed on a complaint warrant and the suspect was quickly arrested and jailed. The investigation is ongoing.

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	71	71
Closed	38	38
Active	14	14
Suspended	19	19
Unfounded	8	8
Forwarded to SCPO	6	6

A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	33	33
Closed	21	21
Active	12	12
Suspended	0	0
Unfounded	0	0
Forwarded to other Agencies	13	13

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Community Outreach

The Community Policing unit made twenty-eight (28) calls to the senior citizens enrolled in the Good Morning program, and sent out 35 first time false alarm activation notices. Det. Fowler attended the Blue Mass on January 9, 2019 and represented the department. Det. Domizi attended the Community Forum meeting on January 3rd as well as a presentation on the use of Opioids at the high school which was held on January 8th. Det. Domizi also attended the Municipal Alliance/Youth Services meeting on January 22nd and the Growing Tree Career Day presentation on January 24th.

Narcotics Strike Force

During January, the North Plainfield Police Department assigned a new officer to the Narcotics Strike Force. The officer has been familiarizing himself with his new assignment and was sworn in as an Investigator. The Strike Force conducted surveillance in North Plainfield on five separate dates in January totaling approximately thirty hours. The Strike Force also conducted the controlled purchase of narcotics on two occasions and attempted to purchase narcotics once.

Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Det. Everett made an appearance at Grand Jury on January 9, 2019 and Det. Mazza appeared on January 23, 2019 and indictments were returned on both cases. Lt. McKay completed the annual registration on two Megan's law registrants in January. Lt. McKay appeared in Superior Court on January 31st and was granted a Communications Data Warrant in an ongoing investigation.

Christopher Bryan was sentenced to three years in state prison by the Honorable Judge Tober for his involvement in a commercial burglary. Calvin Esaw was sentenced to three years probation by the Honorable Judge Picheca for a CDS arrest. Vileek Holmes was sentenced to two years' probation by the Honorable Judge Tober for his shoplifting conviction at a North Plainfield business. Michael Kapsch was sentenced to three years probation by the Honorable Judge Cawtherak for a CDS arrest. Brian Mars was sentenced to 275 days in jail, five years probation and was ordered to pay \$10,000.00 in restitution by the Honorable Judge Tober for his involvement in a residential burglary. Kuumba Davis and Blakley Brown were both charged with receiving stolen property and we are awaiting prosecutorial review for potential burglary and theft charges on both defendants. We are required by the Rules of Court to include herein a statement explaining that the charges are merely an accusation and that the defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS: During the month of January 2019, the police department logged 1 Internal Affairs complaint. Lt. Ciempola investigated the complaint which is still pending.

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Investigation #	Classification	Disposition	Corrective Action
19-01	Demeanor	Pending	Pending

PATROL DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	15,599	15,599
Miles on unmarked patrol	160	160
Total miles on patrol	15,759	15,759

Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	5	5
Moving Hazardous Violation	39	39
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	93	93
Ordinance Violation	1	1
Parking Violation	143	143
Seatbelt	5	5
Radar	18	18
Refusal Breath Test	1	1
Child Restraints	0	0
Reckless Driving	7	7
Cell Phone	6	6
Careless Driving	15	15
Suspended License	30	30
Written Warnings	370	370
Totals	733	733

Radar Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT
Clinton Avenue	25 Hours
Farragut Road	1 Hour
Geraud Avenue	5 Hours
Greenbrook Road	8 Hours
Grove Street	29 Hours
Leland Avenue	12 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	14 Hours
Norwood Avenue	10 Hours
Pearl Street	2 Hours
Route 22	43 Hours
Rockview Avenue	1 Hour
Somerset Street	23 Hours
Warfield Road	6 Hours

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Washington Avenue	4 Hours
Watchung Avenue	22 Hours
West End Avenue	2 Hours
Westervelt Avenue	5 Hours
Willow Avenue	1 Hour
Wilson Avenue	1 Hour
Radar Posts Highlighted	214 Hours
Total Radar Posts	245
Total Radar Hours	298

School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	13 Hours
Somerset School	5.5 Hours
Stonybrook School	15 Hours
West End School	12 Hours
High School	11 Hours
Charter School	2 Hours

Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Clinton Avenue	01/01/19-01/31/19
Parkview Avenue	01/01/19-01/31/19
Farragut Road	01/01/19-01/31/19
Westervelt Avenue	01/01/19-01/31/19

Miscellaneous Information:

- We responded to 121 Rescue Squad calls.
- We conducted 80 Building or Premise Checks.
- We conducted 41 School Premise Checks.
- We conducted 1 Walking Beat.
- We investigated 45 General Alarms.
- We made 321 Motor Vehicle Stops.
- The police department recorded a total of 2,516 incidents.

Parking Enforcement Report:

Tickets:	Title 39		Meter Related		Total	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
Totals	184	184	221	221	405	405

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Meters		Permits		Total Revenue	
Monthly	YTD	Monthly	YTD	Monthly	YTD
9,815.59	9,815.59	4,750.00	4,750.00	14,565.59	14,565.59

Monthly Accident Totals

Accidents for the Month: 70

Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	2
Hazardous	19	Non Hazardous	5
Alcohol Related	0		

Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable	23	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	2
Boro Streets- Reportable	30	Boro St Non-Reportable	1
Private Property-Reportable	13	Private Prop Non-Reportable	1
Total Reportable Accidents	66	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	4

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	13
Persons Injured	20
Fatal Accidents	0

Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 70

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Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

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- Traffic covered 19 hours as court Officer.
- Traffic and parking covered 40 school posts.
- Sgt. Kardos assisted 1 resident with a child seat.
- Traffic conducted follow up on three abandoned vehicles.
- January 2nd, Sgt. Kardos attended the State Traffic Officers meeting in Hamilton.
- January 12th, Sgt. Kardos responded to a serious accident West End Ave./Rt22 and conducted numerous hours of follow up with Somerset County CAR Team.
- January 23rd, we conducted the DMV mobile inspection detail at Somerset and Pearl and had a total of 28 vehicles inspected with 12 passing, 8 failures, and 8 new car stickers issued. 15 summonses and 10 warnings were issued during the detail.

SERVICE DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$456.00	\$456.00
Calls for Service/Responses	2,516	2,516
Discovery Requests	27	27
Report Requests	333	333
Pieces of Evidence/ Property	52	52

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	0
Rape	0	0
Robbery	4	4
Assault, Agg:	0	0
Assault Simple	14	14
Burglary	10	10
Larceny	22	22
M.V. Theft	1	1
Arson	0	0
Domestic Violence	28	28
Bias Incidents	0	0

Monthly Arrest Analysis

	Month		YTD	
	Adult	Juv	Adult	Juv
Murder	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	6	0	6
Larceny/Theft	4	0	4	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0

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Simple Assault	4	0	4	0
Arson	0	0	0	0
Forgery	2	0	2	0
Fraud	0	0	0	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	0	0	0	0
Criminal Mischief	0	0	0	0
Weapons	0	0	0	0
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0
Violation of Drug Laws	10	0	10	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	0	0
Driving Under the Influence	4	0	4	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	2	1	2	1
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	0
All Other Offenses	4	0	4	0
Total UCR Arrests for Month	30	0	30	7
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	34	0	34	0
Grand Total Arrests for Month	64	7	64	7

- 7 Juvenile Arrests for the Month

Respectfully submitted,

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