Monthly Report

July 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. Romasz injured her leg while directing traffic on December 19, 2023. She is currently out of work.

Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

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

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A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On July 5, 2024 at 1813 hrs., patrol units were dispatched to an apartment complex for a fight in progress, involving multiple people with weapons. The caller stated that one of the parties involved in the dispute had a machete. Patrol encountered multiple people standing outside, but the actors involved in the physical altercation left the scene prior to the officer's arrival. A resident told the officers that she observed one of the people involved in the fight go into a particular building. The officers went to that building and located an individual who said that his son was involved in the fight and went to a local hospital for treatment for a laceration to his left hand. A resident of another apartment told the officers that her son was attacked by multiple men who had metal pipes and bottles, so he pulled out a machete to defend himself but he did not cut anyone with it. Her son returned to the scene and relayed that he was involved in the physical altercation but refused to cooperate. The hospital called and advised that they had a stab victim from an incident that occurred in our town. CID was notified and a detective responded. Subsequently, the suspect wielding the machete was arrested for disorderly conduct. It was also discovered during the investigation that the arrested person had an active warrant from another county. The suspect was turned over to that agency.

On July 13, 2024 at 1147 hrs., patrol responded to a car dealership for the report of a stolen motor vehicle. The manager reported that he had his personal vehicle, a white

Chrysler 300, stolen from the used car lot at approximately 0136 hrs. on the 13th. On the video surveillance, a black heavily tinted tow truck with no front and rear plate, hooked up the vehicle and drove off with it at approximately 0142 hrs. The driver of the tow truck was observed wearing all black and had a white face covering. The owner of the vehicle stated the vehicle had been parked there for approximately four years and that the vehicle was flooded and disabled with no plates. The vehicle was entered stolen in NCIC.

On July 19, 2024 at 0049 hrs., patrol units responded to Park Place and Duer Street on a report of a fight in progress called in by a taxi driver. One officer arrived and observed three Hispanic males standing in front of residence who appeared to be talking to each other. The two Hispanic males wearing dark clothing started to walk away south and were given verbal commands in both English and Spanish ordering them to stop and they ignored the officer's commands. Another officer arrived and was able to stop the males further south on the same street. When the parties were asked what had happened, they all stated that they knew each other and were drinking. Officers then located a handgun holster and a loaded magazine and after a search of the area, they located a Walther PPK .380 handgun. The two males that were originally stopped were then detained as the third male, a borough resident, now changed his story and claimed that he was robbed by the other two suspects. Those suspects were then placed under arrest and taken to headquarters. CID was notified and a detective responded and conducted an investigation. During his investigation, the detective obtained video from a nearby residence which disproved the allegation of the robbery. The third suspect was then brought to headquarters and interviewed. He gave a post Miranda statement admitting that he made up the robbery story. The video also showed the third suspect in possession of the weapon and showed him tossing the weapon. That suspect was charged with filing a false police report, 4th degree, unlawful possession of a weapon, 2nd degree and possession of a weapon for an unlawful purpose, 2nd degree. He was placed in the Somerset County Jail. The other two were subsequently released.

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	79	523
Closed	43	239
Active	10	62
Suspended	26	222
Forwarded to SCPO	10	39

A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	7	75
Closed	8	68
Active	0	5
Suspended	0	3
Forwarded to other Agencies	6	8

Community Outreach

The Community Policing Unit made twenty-one (21) first time alarm notifications and five (5) general alarm notifications. D/Sgt. Domizi assisted in numerous translations for both patrol & CID. D/Sgt. Domizi attended the Joint Insurance Fund Commissioners meeting and managed the North Plainfield Police Department Youth Academy, which was another great success. D/Sgt. Domizi attended six (6) STEP summer program sessions.

Other Matters

CID tracked seven (7) Handle with Care notifications made to the school district. CID conducted seven (7) licensing investigations in July (4-Firearms, 1-Raffle, 1-Vendor, 1-Outdoor Cafe). Lt. Ciempola conducted one (1) sex offender re-registration.

Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Det. Halsted appeared in Grand Jury for the matter of State v. Oxlaj-Lopex, which was true billed for fourth degree aggravated assault on an EMT and fourth degree criminal mischief. Det. Rogers appeared in Grand Jury for the matter of State v. Amores and Jones, which was true billed for fourth degree unlawful taking of a means of conveyance and hindering.

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS: During the month of July, there was one (1) new internal affairs complaint filed.

Investigation # Classification		Disposition	Corrective Action	
24-07	Rule Violation	Pending	Pending	

PATROL DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	14,545	101,137
Miles on unmarked patrol	0	523
Total miles on patrol	14,545	101,660

Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	2	11
Moving Hazardous Violation	40	381
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	82	891
Ordinance Violation	6	40
Parking Violation	124	810
Seatbelt	7	180
Radar / Speeding	23	168
Refusal Breath Test	0	3
Child Restraints	1	43
Reckless Driving	2	27
Cell Phone	92	444
Careless Driving	23	154
Suspended License	8	96
Written Warnings	227	1,809
Totals	637	5,057
Included in above totals		
Loud Exhaust	11	159
Loud Exhaust Warnings	4	67
Parking Sticks	0	0

Radar / Loud Exhaust Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT
Brook Avenue	9 Hours
Clinton Avenue	16 Hours
Columbia Avenue	2 Hours
Farragut Road	3 Hours
Greenbrook Road	4 Hours
Grove Street	44 Hours
Leland Avenue	4 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	28 Hours
Norwood Avenue	7 Hours
Parkview Avenue	1 Hour
Rt 22E/Grove	3 Hours
Rt 22E/Jefferson	1 Hour

1 Hour
1 Hour
2 Hours
8 Hours
2 Hours
1 Hour
1 Hour
1 Hour
7 Hours
13 Hours
7 Hours
6 Hours
32 Hours
1 Hour
3 Hours
2 Hours
207
210
100

Radar Speed Recorder:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Central Avenue Plainfield	07/01/24-07/06/24
Myrtle Avenue	07/01/24-07/06/24
Malcolm Avenue	07/08/24-07/17/24
Norwood Avenue	07/08/24-07/17/24
Arnold Avenue	07/17/24-07/24/24
Westervelt Avenue	07/17/24-07/24/24
Oneida Avenue	07/25/24-07/31/24
Rockview Avenue	07/25/24-07/31/24444

School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	0 Hours
High School	0 Hours
Somerset School	0 Hours
Stonybrook School	0 Hours
West End School	0 Hours
TOTAL	0 Hours

Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Arnold Avenue	07/01/24-07/06/24
Mountain Avenue	07/01/24-07/06/24
West End Avenue	07/01/24-07/06/24
Westervelt Avenue	07/01/24-07/06/24
Greenbrook/Arnold	07/06/24-07/27/24
Greenbrook/Maple	07/06/24-07/27/24
Oakridge Avenue	07/06/24-07/27/24
Sandford Avenue	07/06/24-07/27/24
Grandview Avenue	07/27/24-07/31/24
Grove Street	07/27/24-07/31/24
Myrtle Avenue	07/27/24-07/31/24
Rock Avenue	07/27/24-07/31/24

Miscellaneous Information:

- We responded to 115 rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 38 building or premise checks.
- We investigated 44 general alarms.
- We made 596 motor vehicle stops.
- We conducted 185 walking beats.
- We conducted 29 school checks.
- We conducted 58 park checks.
- We conducted 119 area checks.
- We conducted 164 loud exhaust posts.
- The police department recorded a total of 3,514 incidents.
- BWC videos and CAD entries were reviewed by the Patrol Division Commander.
- 3 Use of Force After Action Reviews were conducted.

Parking Enforcement Report:

Tickets:		Title	39	Meter Related		Safety	Stick	Total	
		Month	/ YTD	Month /	YTD	Month /	YTD	Month /	YTD
	Totals	638	3,617	346	2,255	0	0	984	6,014

Meters	Meters		Permits		ue
Monthly	/ YTD	Monthly / YTD		Monthly / YTD	
17,538.26	100,094.42	5,030.00	21,860.00	22,568.26	121,954.42

Monthly Accident Totals

Accidents for the Month:		83	
Summons Issued at Accidents Refuse Breath Test Hazardous Alcohol Related	0 31 0	Driving While Intoxicated Non-Hazardous	1 11
Breakdown of Reportable/No	n-Re	portable Accidents:	
Rt 22-Reportable Boro Streets-Reportable Private Property-Reportable Total Reportable Accidents	29 41 13 83	Rt 22 Non-Reportable Boro Streets Non-Reportable Private Property Non-Reportable Total Non-Reportable Accidents	0 0 0 0
Accident Injury Report:			
Reports W/Injuries	16		
Persons Injured	24		
Fatal Accidents	0		
Accidents Year To Date (YTI	D): 58	36	
Summons Issued at Accidents	s:		
Refuse Breath Test	2	Driving While Intoxicated	5
Hazardous	232	Non-Hazardous	70
Alcohol Related	0		
Breakdown of Reportable an	d Nor	n-Reportable	
Rt 22-Reportable	180	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	4
Boro Streets-Reportable	302	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	10
Private Property-Reportable	90	Private Property Non-Reportable	9 0
Total Reportable Accidents	572	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	14
Accident Injury Report:			
Reports W/Injuries	135		
Persons Injured	149		
Fatal Accidents	1		
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Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic conducted collections & escorted parking to the bank 8 hrs.
- Traffic conducted monthly alcotest maintenance 1 hr.
- Sgt. Kardos and Parking Enforcement conducted meter repairs.

• Traffic investigated/conducted follow ups on 7 accidents.

SERVICE DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$2,010.00	\$13,860.00
Calls for Service/Responses	3,514	25,261
Discovery Requests	28	213
Report Requests	25	88
Pieces of Evidence/Property	25	143

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	0
Rape	1	4
Robbery	2	10
Assault, Agg:	0	5
Assault Simple	13	116
Burglary	2	12
Larceny	23	156
M.V. Theft	1	13
Arson	0	0
Domestic Violence	22	158
Bias Incidents	0	4

Monthly Arrest Analysis	Mo	Month YT Adult/Juv Adul		D	
	Adult			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	4	0	
Burglary	0	0	0	0	
Larceny/Theft	1	0	8	2	
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	4	0	
Simple Assault	6	0	39	0	
Arson	0	0	0	0	
Forgery	0	0	0	0	
Fraud	0	0	0	0	
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	
Stolen Property	0	0	2	0	
Criminal Mischief	1	0	2	0	
Weapons	1	0	1	1	
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	
Sex Offenses	0	0	1	0	
Violation of Drug Laws	2	0	4	0	

Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	1	0
Driving Under the Influence	2	0	11	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	1	0	10	0
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	1
All Other Offenses	7	0	45	0
Total UCR Arrests for Month	21	0	132	4
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	2	0	32	1
Grand Total Arrests for Month	23	0	164	5

• 0 Juvenile Arrests for the Month

Respectfully submitted,

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