

The Princeton Police Department 2014 Annual Report



Knowledge

Honor

Integrity

Service

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PRINCETON POLICE DEPARTMENT

MISSION STATEMENT AND CORE VALUES

Mission Statement

The Princeton Police Department mission is to protect the lives, property, and rights of all people; maintain an ethical environment of mutual respect, trust and dignity; foster a partnership with the community we serve; and, improve the quality of life for all within the community.

Core Values

The employees of the Princeton Police Department are committed to its mission. We are accountable for our actions and we conduct ourselves accordingly in pursuit of our core values of:

Honor: Always act with the utmost integrity, and be honest and truthful. Enforce the laws equally and without bias. Hold yourself and other members to the highest ethical standards.

Integrity: We place the highest value on honesty and an adherence to a strict code of ethics; we will always engage in behavior that is beyond ethical reproach to maintain public confidence.

Service: Putting responsibilities before self-interest, performing duties to meet the needs of others, promoting partnerships to identify and solve problems, doing what is right for the community.

Knowledge: We seek truth, awareness, and understanding through investigation, education and experience.



A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

It is with great pride and pleasure that I present the Princeton Police Department's 2014 Annual Report. This represents the second Annual Report in the department's short history. 2014 proved to be an exciting and challenging year for our department as we continued to grow and progress as one cohesive unit. Two years removed from the consolidation of the two former Princeton police departments, we are now operating with greater efficiency and effectiveness than we did just one year ago.

We set many aggressive goals for our department at the end of 2013 as outlined in the 2013 Annual Report. Some of the outlined goals that we accomplished are:

- The formulation of a strategic plan to be implemented in early 2015
- Achievement of State Accreditation Status
- The implementation of a K-9 Unit
- Increased community outreach
- Comprehensive critical incident training with Princeton University
- Increased communication, interaction and planning efforts with our local schools
- Implementation of a comprehensive policy and approach to immigration issues

By the end of 2014 some national events caused much conversation and in some cases great divide between law enforcement agencies and their respective communities. In our department, we took time to reflect on ourselves and to use these events as an opportunity to learn and make our relationship with our community stronger. We believe our proactive approach to community policing, transparency and relationship building helps build community trust in our department. I personally observe on a daily basis the commitment the men and women of this department give to their profession and the Princeton Community. There is an individual and collective pride in the service we provide to our community members. We will remain committed to challenging ourselves in the never ending pursuit of providing outstanding police services in an efficient and professional manner. I want to personally thank all of our department employees for their service and I also want to thank the members of our community who support us and partner with us to make Princeton one of the nation's most attractive locations to live, work and visit. I hope you find this report informative.

Sincerely,

Chief Nicholas Sutter



The Law Enforcement Code of Ethics

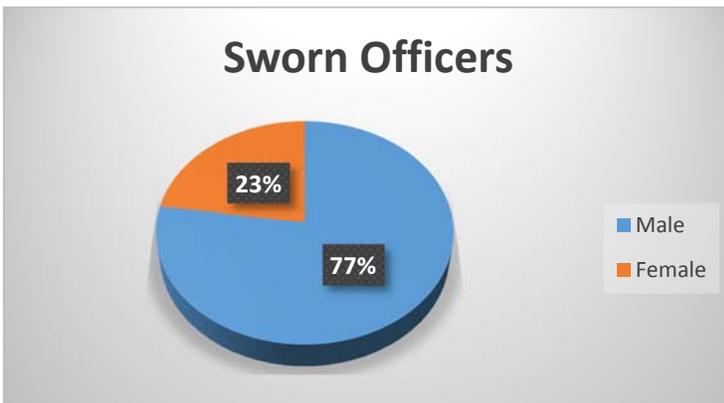
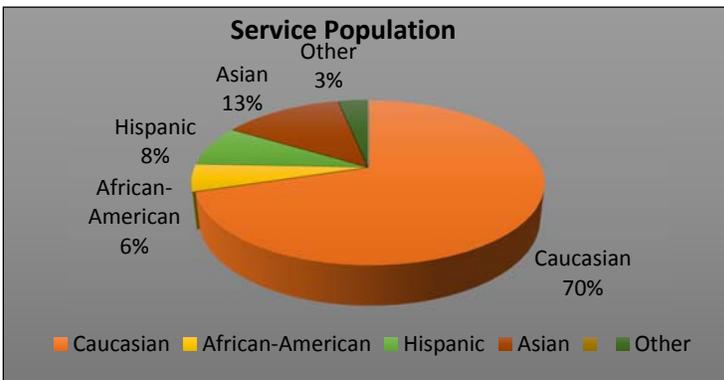
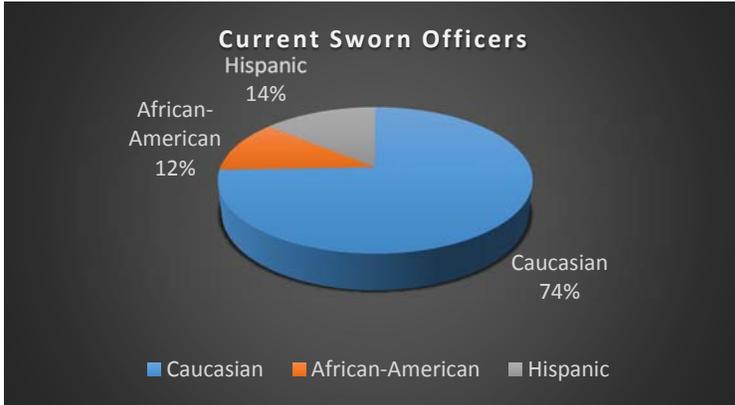
AS A LAW ENFORCEMENT EMPLOYEE, my fundamental duty is to serve the community; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the constitutional rights of all to liberty, equality and justice.

I WILL keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and will behave in a manner that does not bring discredit to me or to my agency. I will maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed both in my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the law and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I WILL never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, political beliefs, aspirations, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I RECOGNIZE the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts by other police officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice. I know that I alone am responsible for my own standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself to my chosen profession...**LAW ENFORCEMENT**.

Princeton Police Department Demographics



The graphs illustrate the diversity of the Princeton Police Department in comparison to our service population. We continue to make diversity an essential piece of our recruitment strategy which exhibits our dedication to representing the community we serve.

Police Administration

Chief of Police

Nicholas Sutter

Lieutenant

Sharon Papp

Lieutenant

Robert Currier

Lieutenant

Christopher Morgan

Lieutenant

Robert Toole

Detective Bureau

Detective Sergeant

Christopher Quaste

Detective

Annette Henderson

Detective

Adam Basatemur

Detective

Benjamin Gering

Detective

Robert Travis Allie

Safe Neighborhood Bureau

Sergeant

Jon Bucchere

Patrol Officer

Daniel Federico

Patrol Officer

Leonard Thomas

Traffic Safety Bureau

Sergeant

Thomas Murray III

Patrol Officer

Judd Petrone

Patrol Officer

Marshall Provost

Administrative Sergeants

Steven Riccitello

*** Michael Cifelli**

Patrol Division

Sergeants

Kenneth Riley

Carol Raymond

Geoff Maurer

Kim Hodges

Chris Tash

Fred Williams

*** Joann Malta**

Francisco Castro

Matthew Solovay

Anthony Paccillo

Marla Montague

James Martinez

Jorge Narvaez

Mervyn Arana

Holly Arana

Christopher King

Courtney Navas

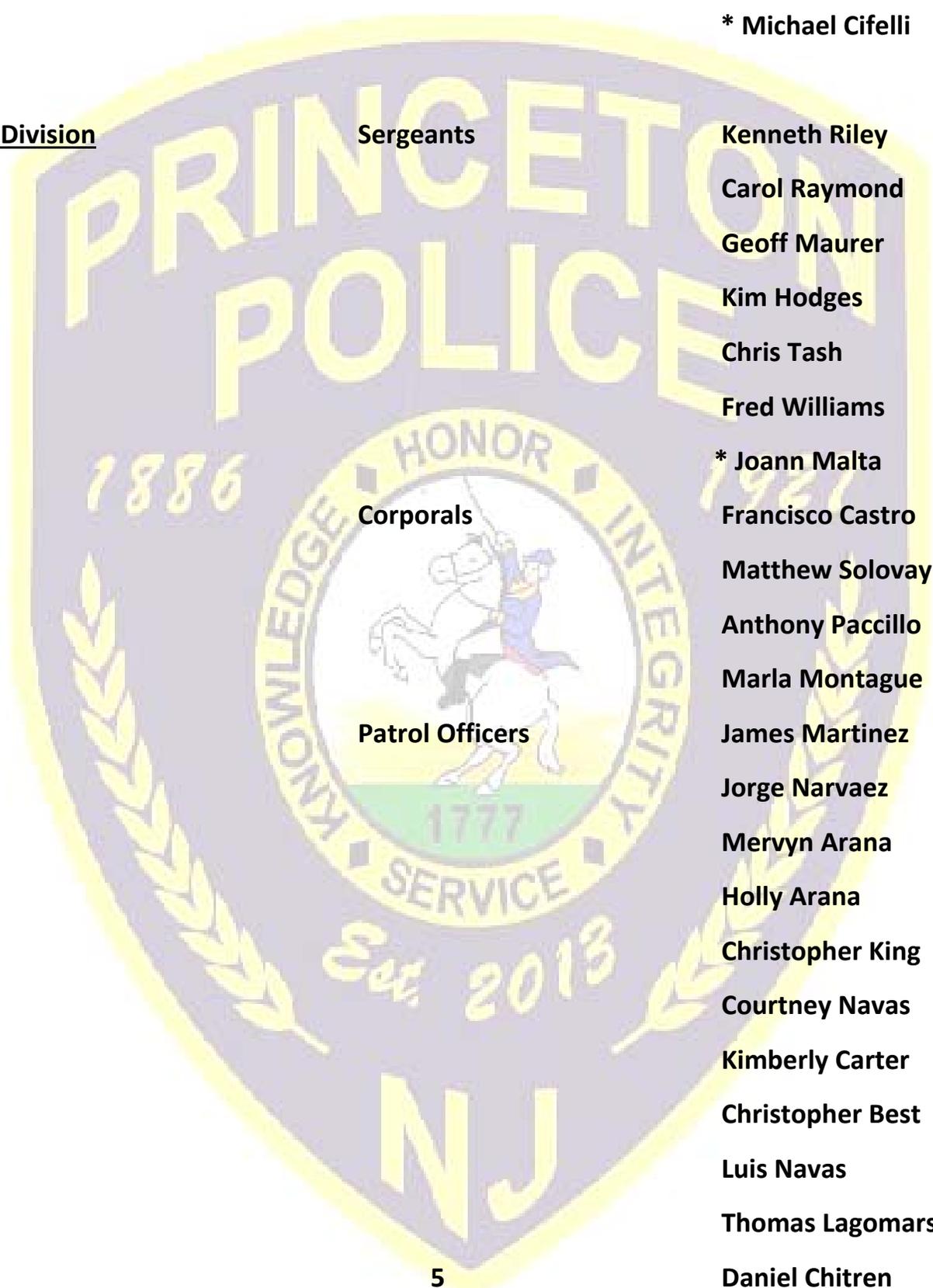
Kimberly Carter

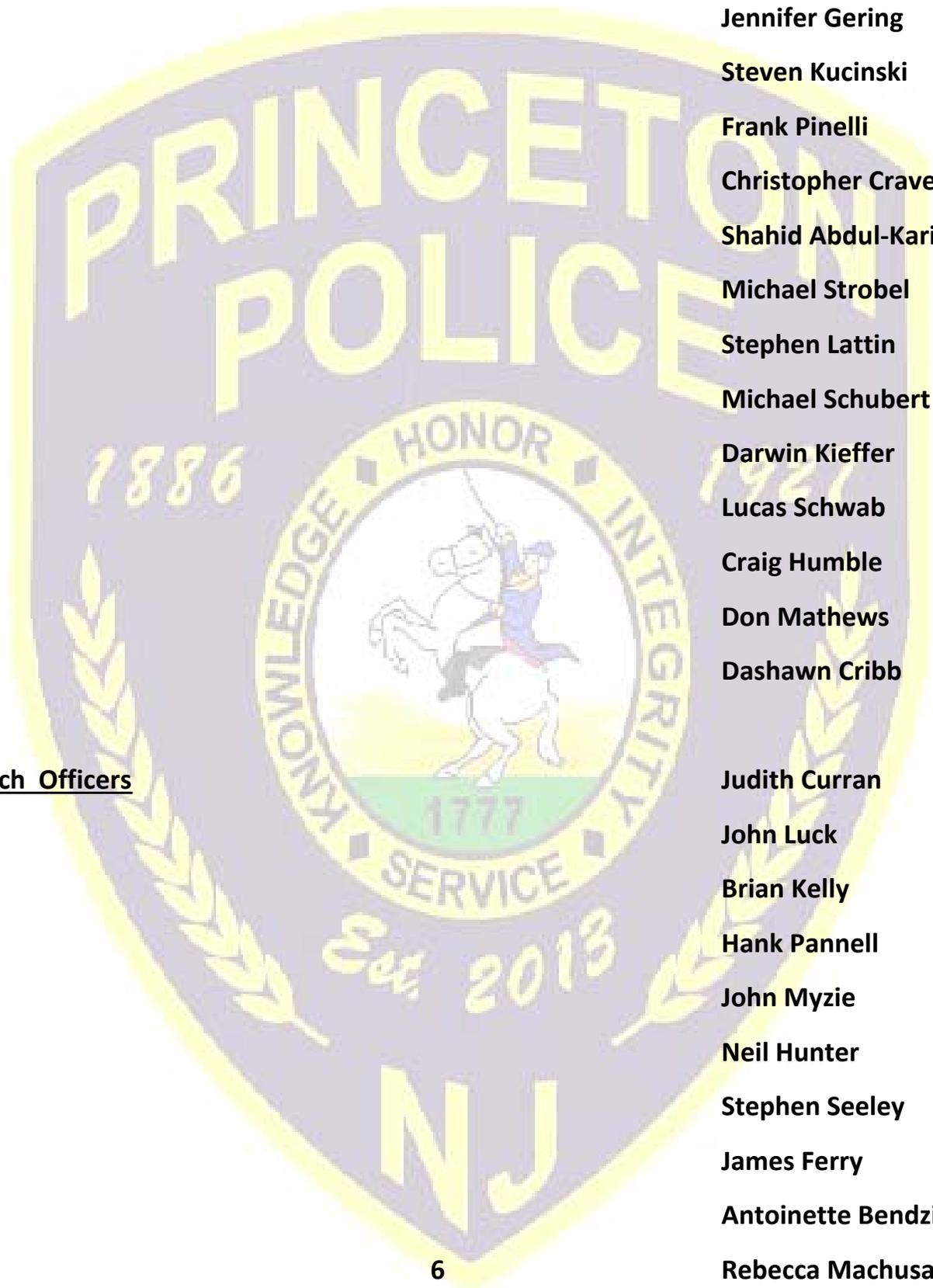
Christopher Best

Luis Navas

Thomas Lagomarsino

Daniel Chitren





Christopher Donnelly

Jennifer Gering

Steven Kucinski

Frank Pinelli

Christopher Craven

Shahid Abdul-Karim

Michael Strobel

Stephen Lattin

Michael Schubert

Darwin Kieffer

Lucas Schwab

Craig Humble

Don Mathews

Dashawn Cribb

Judith Curran

John Luck

Brian Kelly

Hank Pannell

John Myzie

Neil Hunter

Stephen Seeley

James Ferry

Antoinette Bendzius

Rebecca Machusak

Dispatch Officers

Per Diem

Shannon Koch

Peter Buchanan

Ryan McDermott

Support Staff

Assistant to the Chief

Diane Laszczyk

Maria O'Connell

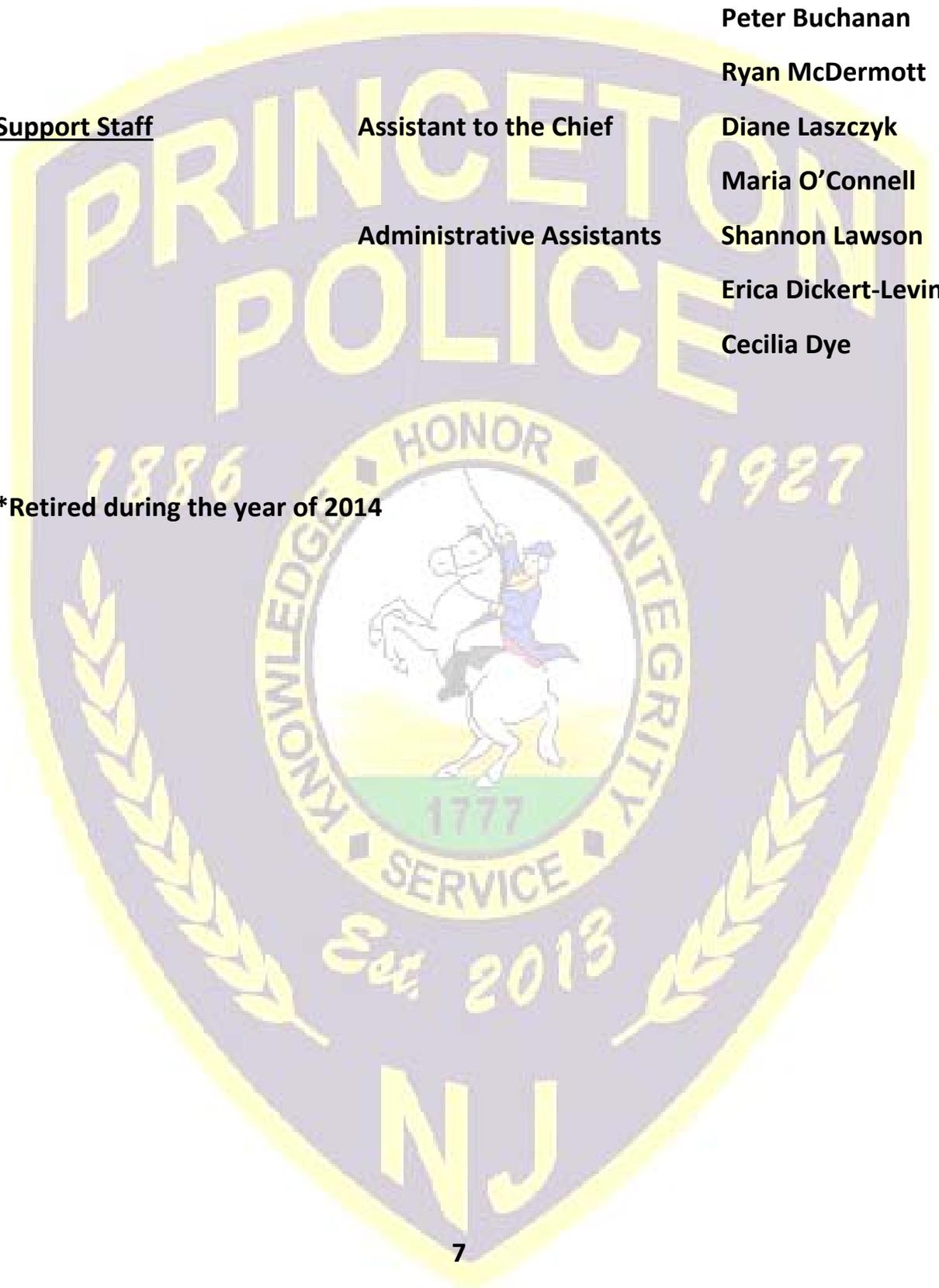
Administrative Assistants

Shannon Lawson

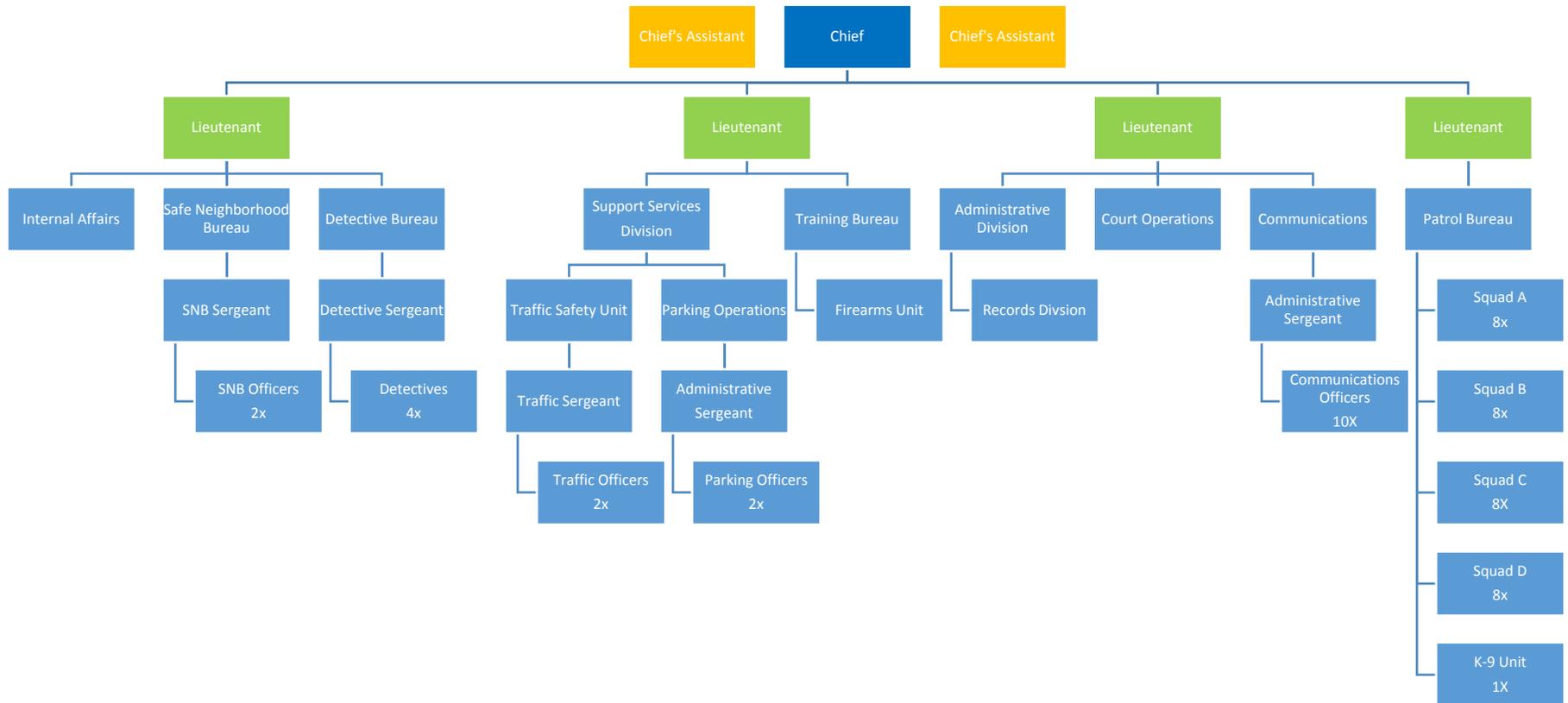
Erica Dickert-Levine

Cecilia Dye

***Retired during the year of 2014**



Organizational Chart 2014



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Recruitment Strategy

GOALS and OBJECTIVES:

The goal of the Princeton Police Department Recruitment Plan is to attract qualified individuals to pursue a career with the Princeton Police Department that achieves an overall racial and gender composition of the department in comparison to the service population of Princeton.

GENERAL:

The Princeton Police Department is subject to the provisions of New Jersey Statutes Annotated 40A:14-118, et seq. and municipal ordinance in all facets of the recruitment and selection process. The Princeton Police Department recruits from a candidate pool open to all residents of New Jersey.

This agency takes a proactive role in programs intended to attract qualified people to apply for and take the Police Officer Hiring Announcement. These programs include; but, are not limited to:

- Establishing and maintaining contacts with police academies, community organizations and educational institutions and providing recruitment materials for display and distribution
- Participation in career day type programs at educational institutions and other public places and events
- Posting Police Officer Hiring Announcement announcements on the Town's website and in local newspapers

Particular attention will continue to be paid to attracting candidates in approximate proportion to the racial, ethnic, and gender composition of the available workforce in Princeton

In 2014 the Princeton Police Department hired the first new officers in the department's short history. These two officers rose from the ranks of approximately 800 initial applicants and were sworn in as Princeton Police Officers by Mayor Liz Lempert in August of 2014.

These two officers, Donald Mathews and Dashawn Cribb, represent the bright future of the department. They underwent a vigorous testing procedure that included a written exam, physical fitness test, extensive background investigation as well as a detailed medical and psychological



examination. These officers have already exhibited tremendous potential and we all look forward to watching them grow and succeed in Princeton.



ABOUT OUR NEW OFFICERS

Don Mathews was raised in Bordentown and attended Bordentown HS where he excelled academically. He attended Richard Stockton State College where he again achieved academic excellence and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice. Don formerly served with the Mansfield Twsp. PD where he attained the rank of Sergeant in under four years.

Dashawn Cribb was raised in Trenton and attended Trenton High School where he was a member of the National Honor Society and captain of the football team. Dashawn went onto Montclair State University where he obtained a Bachelor's degree in Sociology and Justice Studies. Dashawn brings with him a strong sense of community.



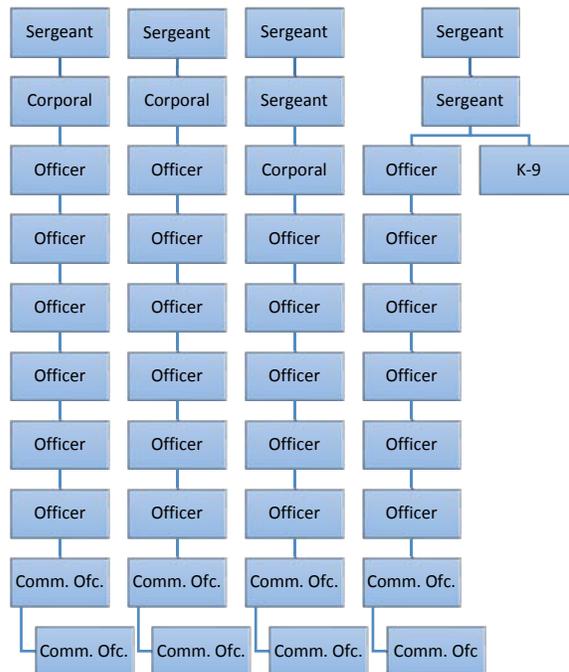
Patrol Division



The Patrol Division provides core police services to the Princeton Community. These officers are the backbone of the department that respond to all calls for emergency services twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Duties of the Patrol Division include:

- Proactive Patrol
- Preliminary Investigations
- Traffic Enforcement
- Traffic Accident Investigations
- All Other Calls for Service

The Patrol Division is commanded by Lt. Robert Toole.





Patrol Division

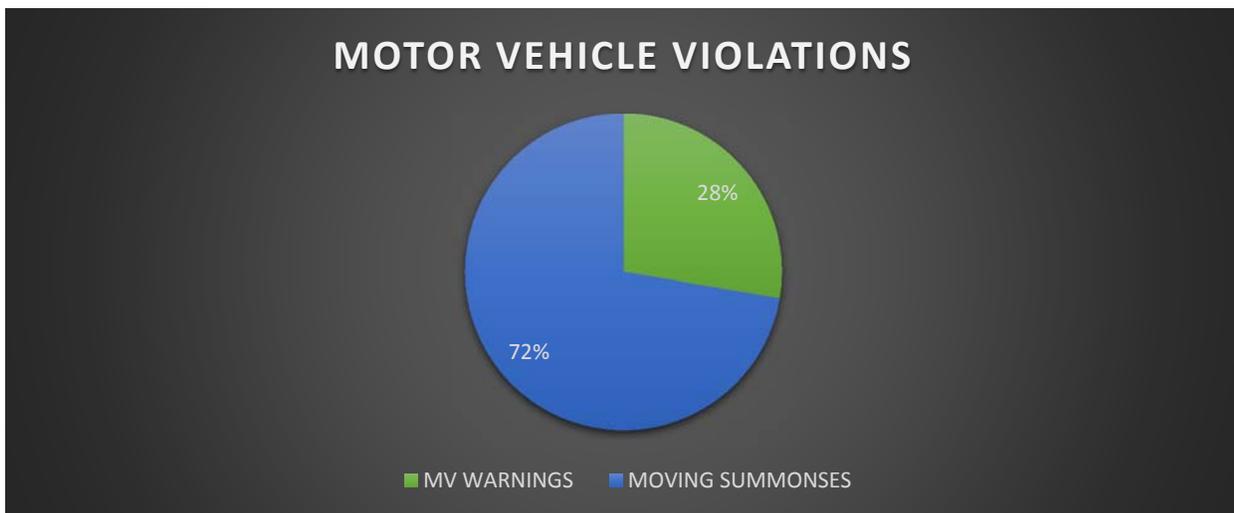
CALLS FOR SERVICE

YEAR	CALLS FOR SERVICE
2013	35,432
2014	36,730

One of the biggest deterrents to crime is proactive police patrol. Officers who are present and observable in the community serve not only to deter crime by their presence but relationships within the community are established that help officers prevent criminal activity.

Similarly, traffic violations are often the cause of motor vehicle accidents. Proactive traffic enforcement tends to decrease the number of motor vehicle violations committed in a targeted area and therefore lessens the number of traffic accidents.

Examples of proactive policing are arrests made for driving while intoxicated, motor vehicle stops initiated for motor vehicle violations as well as summonses issued for quality of life violations.





Patrol Division

The following chart depicts the number of arrests effected primarily by patrol units in 2014 as compared to 2013.

2013

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Arrests	45	38	32	38	59	37	38	32	39	37	24	25	444

2014

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Arrests	19	34	49	23	33	34	55	28	38	29	39	31	412



Detective Bureau

DURING 2014 THE DETECTIVE BUREAU WAS ASSIGNED 1117 GENERATED CASES. THEY COLLECTIVELY MADE 84 ARRESTS.

The Detective Bureau is comprised of four Detectives and a Detective Sergeant, Christopher Quaste, who is charged with the day to day supervision of the bureau. The bureau is primarily charged with the responsibility to arrest and successfully prosecute individuals involved in criminal activity with a specific emphasis on indictable crimes. The bureau is also responsible for the collection, dissemination and management of criminal intelligence information, the completion of all background investigations including firearms, solicitor and police employment investigations, as well as processing and storing all collected evidence. A Detective is also assigned the responsibility of registering and monitoring all Megan's Law offenders residing in Princeton.

Detectives investigate all crimes; such as homicide, robbery, sexual assaults, child abuse, property crimes, missing persons, fraud and high tech crimes, domestic violence, elder abuse, narcotics/drug violations and any other cases involving major follow-up investigation. Cases are reviewed and assigned a priority based on the seriousness of the offense and/or the solvability factor of the crime.

Detectives investigate some of the most demanding and challenging cases police can be involved in. Some crimes may take months, sometimes years, to fully investigate and prosecute. Detectives assigned to investigate these crimes have developed an advanced level of expertise by attending specialized training and from years of experience working complex cases.

Detectives assigned to the Detective Bureau are carefully selected from sworn officers based on demonstrated dedication and excellence in conducting criminal investigations. After being selected, each Detective is sent to various training schools to receive specialized training. Examples include: Criminal Investigations, Interview and Interrogation, Homicide Investigation, Sexual Assault Investigation, Search Warrant Writing, Child Abuse Investigation and Officer Involved Critical Incident Investigation.



Detective Bureau

Notable Investigations

Police Looking For Man Who Robbed Princeton, NJ Bank



Dsgt. Quaste, Det. Ben Gering and Det. Adam Basatemur were involved with a follow-up investigation involving a daytime bank robbery that occurred at the TD Bank located at 883 State Rd. After tracking down numerous leads, Dsgt. Quaste and Det. Basatemur took the suspect into custody and recovered over \$1,000.00 of the stolen money.



Detective Bureau

Princeton police seize \$29,700, cocaine following 'active warrant'



Det. Basatemur was assigned to follow-up on a case whereby an individual was arrested on an active warrant and showing signs that he was under the influence of narcotics. During the arrest a large amount of currency was observed in the trunk of his personal vehicle by Patrol Officers. Detective Basatemur obtained a search warrant for the vehicle and suspected cocaine (in the amount to indicate distribution) was found inside along with over \$29,000.00 in cash. The accused was charged with multiple offenses.

Attorney General Announces Largest Law Enforcement Deployment Yet Under Anti-Violence Efforts Launched Last Summer in Trenton Acting Attorney General Hoffman vows show of force by State Police and partners to assist Trenton Police and stem violence as summer approaches

As part of a statewide effort to curb gun violence in Trenton and stopping the tide of this violence from spreading to other communities, a County Shooting Response Task Force was initiated. This team was highly successful in promptly responding to shootings and violent crimes. This rapid response increases the likelihood of successfully resolving these crimes. Det. Basatemur was assigned to this task force. While assigned Det. Basatemur was part of several critical investigations and made an arrest for a Criminal Attempt Homicide.



Detective Bureau

Princeton police investigating \$95,000 theft from The Hun School ...



The Detective Bureau solved the theft of \$95,000 that took place over a three year period.

Two arrested in Princeton Day School thefts

PRINCETON — Princeton police arrested a man and woman caught on surveillance footage allegedly stealing \$2,600 in electronics from the Princeton Day School



Detective Bureau

Man steals \$46,000 Rolex watch from Princeton jewelry store NJ.com



Detective Benjamin Gering investigated the theft of a Rolex watch from a local jewelry store. The accused was ultimately arrested during a similar Robbery in Pittsburgh, PA a few days after this incident and subsequently charged in this incident.

In a similar incident, Detectives investigated a suspicious person call outside of Hamilton Jewelers after the accused asked to see a \$95K Rolex Watch inside the store. The accused was arrested after being found in possession of approx. \$11K in US currency hidden inside a hollowed out text book, possession of a credit card skimming device, counterfeit money, and multiple credit cards/gift cards. The United States Secret Service was contacted and assisted with the investigation.



Detective Bureau

Police release surveillance images of man wanted in Princeton



The Princeton area experienced several burglary sprees perpetrated throughout 2014. The Princeton Police Department successfully investigated and charged several individuals responsible for many of these burglaries.

On June 9, 2014 Det. Annette Henderson and Det. Travis Allie investigated the theft of a handgun from a residence. A suspect was developed and search warrants were obtained. The suspect was successfully apprehended and the weapon was recovered.

Det. Allie investigated a forced entry in the area of Gallup Road. A suspect was identified from evidence at the scene. Working with several police departments the suspect was apprehended and charged with burglary and theft in multiple forced entry residential burglaries in Princeton and other jurisdictions.

Det. Henderson investigated a residential burglary in the area of Princeton – Kingston Road which led to the arrest of a suspect involved in multiple burglaries in various jurisdictions.



Detective Bureau

Two arrests made in theft of tip jar from Efe's Mediterranean Grill in Princeton...



Det. Allie investigated a Strong-Arm Robbery whereby the accused stole a cash tip jar and threatened to shoot the store employee who tried to stop him. Det. Allie took formal statements, had a digital composite drawing done through the NJSP, which was broadcasted via newspapers and social media resulting in the ID and arrest of the accused.



Detective Bureau

Princeton police seek help identifying suspect in wallet thefts | NJ.com



Det. Gering investigated a Credit Card Theft and Fraudulent Use (over 20 times) in various locations in Princeton and New Brunswick. He was able to trace a \$1,345.00 bike purchased with the use of the stolen credit card back to a Princeton address and ultimately ended up arresting and charging two people with Credit Card Theft & Fraud, and recovered the stolen Credit Card and bike purchased by fraud.



Detective Bureau

Case Dispositions

There are generally five ways that cases assigned to the Detective Bureau reach a disposition.

Active/Closed: A case in which all leads have been exhausted and the case must be closed until further information is uncovered.

Exceptionally Closed: In certain situations, elements beyond law enforcement's control prevent the agency from arresting and formally charging the offender. When this occurs, the agency can clear the offense exceptionally. Law enforcement agencies must meet the following four conditions in order to clear an offense by exceptional means. The agency must have:

- Gathered enough evidence to support an arrest, make a charge, and turn over the offender to the court for prosecution.
- Identified the offender's exact location so that the suspect could be taken into custody immediately.
- Encountered a circumstance outside the control of law enforcement that prohibits the agency from arresting, charging, and prosecuting the offender.

Examples of exceptional clearances include, but are not limited to, the death of the offender (e.g., suicide or justifiably killed by police or citizen); the victim's refusal to cooperate with the prosecution after the offender has been identified; or the denial of extradition because the offender committed a crime in another jurisdiction and is being prosecuted for that offense.

Cleared by Arrest: A law enforcement agency reports that an offense is cleared by arrest, or solved when all of the following three conditions have been met for at least one person:

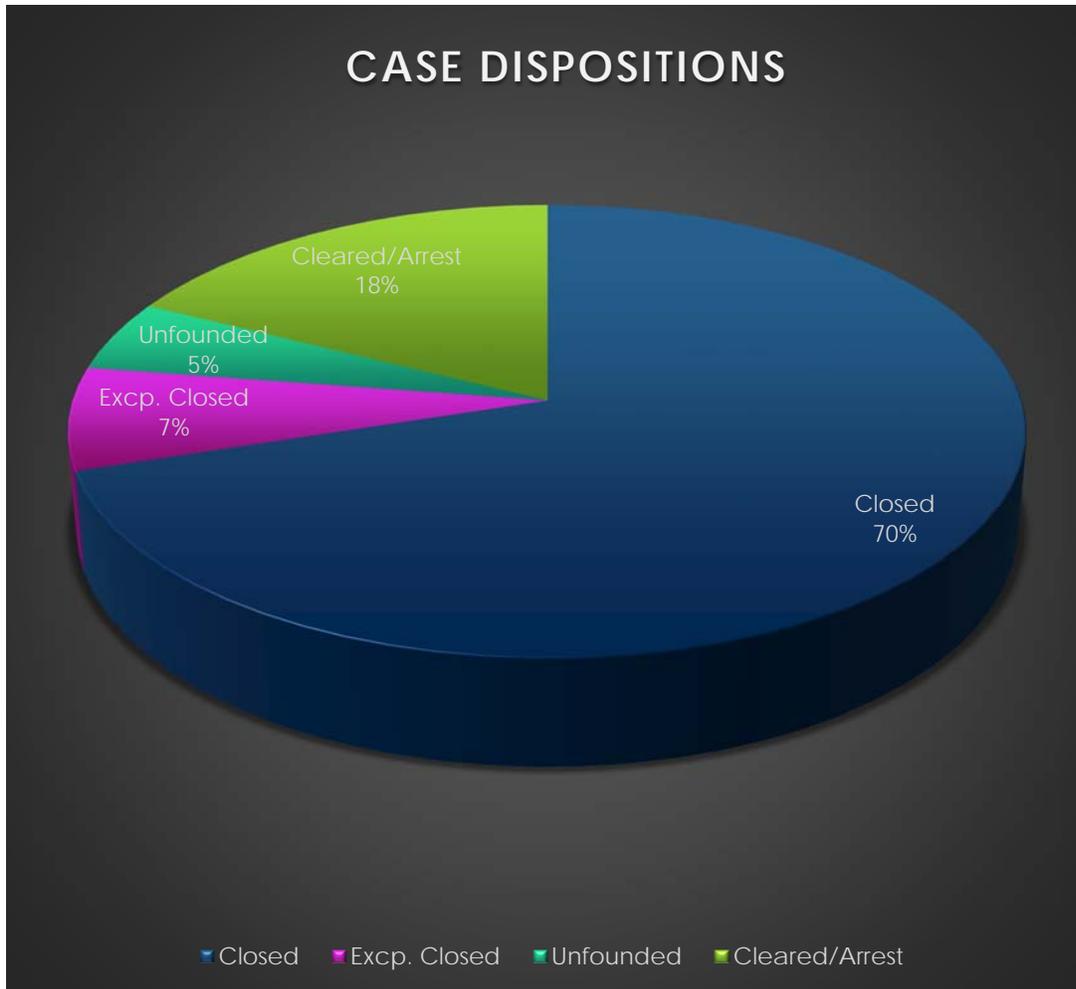
- Arrested
- Charged with the commission of the offense.
- Turned over to the court for prosecution (whether following arrest, court summons, or police notice)

Cleared by Summons: This occurs when a defendant is charged with a less serious offense (usually a disorderly persons or petty disorderly persons offense) on a criminal complaint rather than taking the person into physical custody.

Unfounded: This disposition is entered when it is determined that a reported offense in fact did not occur.



Detective Bureau





Traffic



During 2014 our Traffic Bureau was commanded by Lt. Robert Currier and supervised by Sgt. Thomas Murray. The Traffic Bureau currently consists of one Sergeant and two Patrol Officers who collectively issued **948** summonses for motor vehicle violations in 2014. They are responsible for most traffic accident investigations including accidents that result in serious or fatal injuries. Each member of the Traffic Bureau has attended numerous specialized traffic accident investigation courses and has expertise in advanced accident investigation.

The Traffic Bureau engages in a proactive approach to traffic related issues and maintains the ability to provide a timely response to traffic problems. The goal of the Traffic Bureau is not only to issue traffic summonses, but to also educate the public regarding traffic related issues and areas of concern. Officers assigned to the Traffic Bureau attend a multitude of meetings within the community to engage concerns and offer suggestions to solving traffic problems in the community. Traffic safety around schools, the central business district and residential neighborhoods is one of our primary concerns. Both Traffic and Patrol Officers are responsible for monitoring traffic related issues. This is done in an attempt to educate the public and heighten the awareness of pedestrian and motorist safety.



Traffic

Crossings Guards



The Traffic Bureau is responsible for the training, scheduling and supervision of our staff of 26 civilian crossing guards. There are a total of **46** school crossing posts that must be covered each day to protect our children that walk to school each day. This equates to **8,280** posts that must be covered each year. Furthermore, the Traffic Bureau trained six new civilian guards in 2014.

When a civilian Crossing Guard is unavailable to cover a post that post becomes the responsibility of a uniformed officer. The following table shows the breakdown in coverage of the **957** posts that were covered by uniformed patrol in 2014, an increase of **277** from 2013. Of those 957 posts, **457** were covered by the Traffic Bureau, **150** were covered by the Safe Neighborhood Unit, **263** were handled by the Patrol Bureau and **87** were handled by administrative personnel.

School Crossings Covered by Uniformed Officers

Traffic Safety	457
Safe Neighborhood Bureau	150
Patrol Bureau	263
Administrative Personnel	87



Traffic

	2013	2014
TOTAL MOVING SUMMONSES (DEPARTMENT)	5,734	5,586
SPEEDING SUMMONSES	801	844
DWI ARRESTS	62	46
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	915	950

Charges filed in school bus crash in Princeton

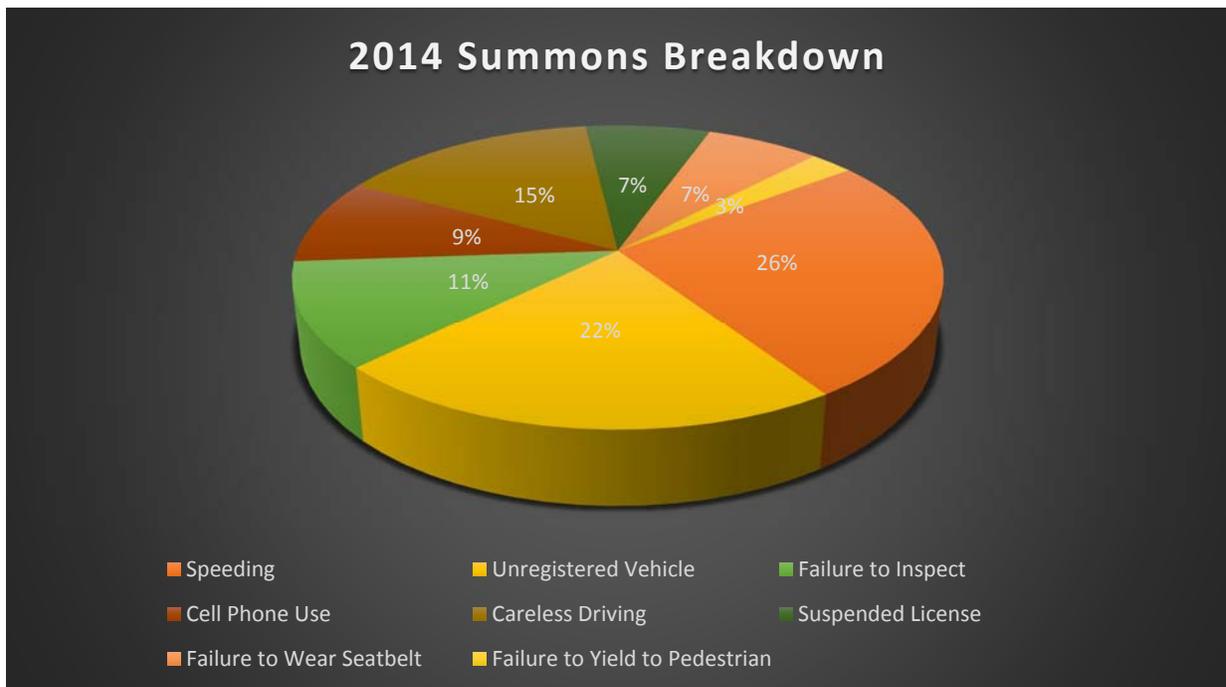
Nov 14, 2014A bus was struck by a vehicle that caused it to flip on its side and injure three people inside, the operator of the vehicle has been charged with careless driving and failure to keep right.





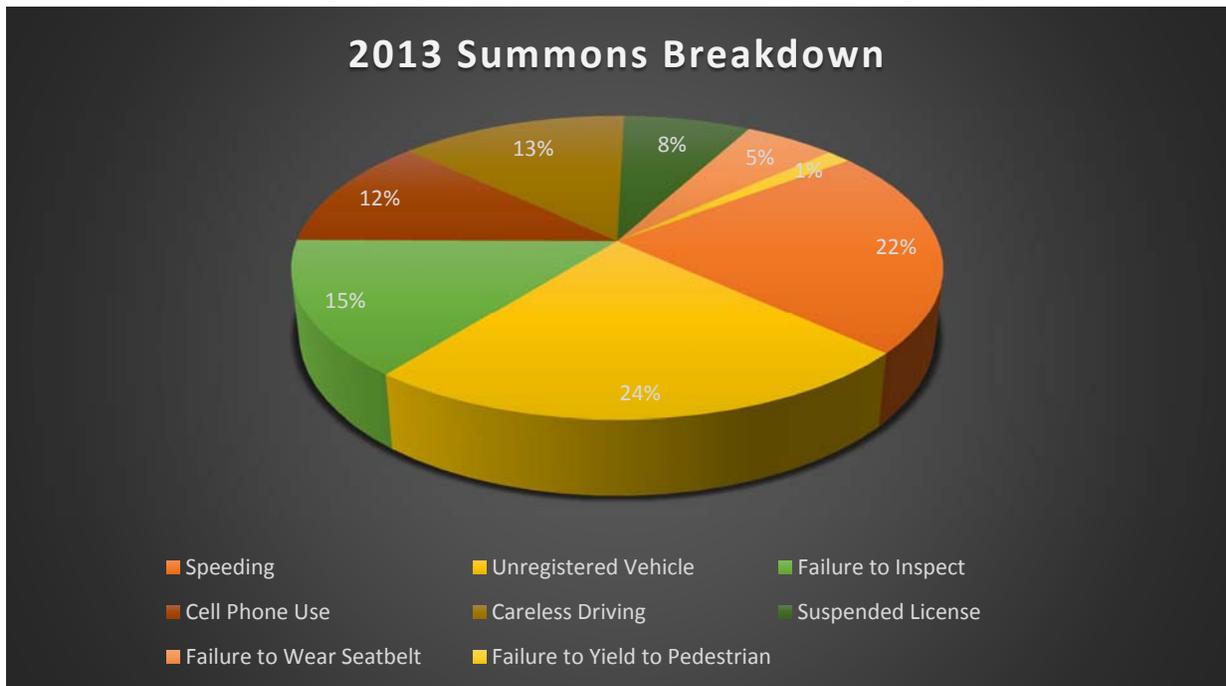
Traffic

In 2014 Princeton Police Officers issued a total of **5,586** summonses for moving violations. Additionally, our Police Officers issued a total of **2,791** parking summonses. Our department investigated **950** motor vehicle accidents in 2014. The Parking Enforcement Unit issued a total of **19,390** parking summonses in 2014.





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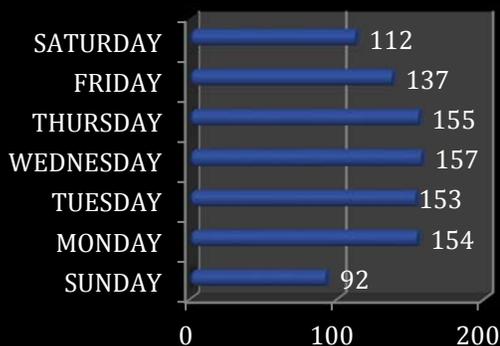


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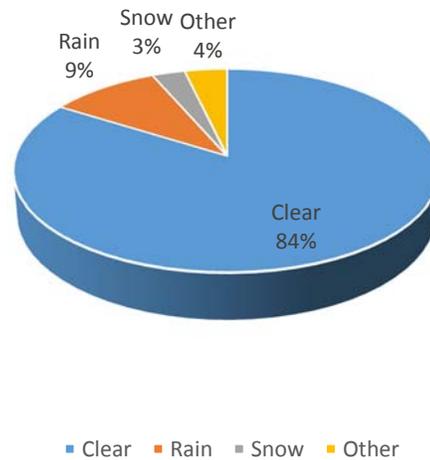
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT DATA

Statistics	2013	2014
Vehicles Involved	1,720	1,768
Injuries Involved	185	219
Accidents with Injuries	166	140
Property Damage	89	93
Accidents with Deer	35	57
Summonses Issued	787	804
Pedestrian Accidents	15	18
Pedestrians Injured	15	18
Pedestrians Killed	1	0
Accidents with Bicyclists	13	5
Bicyclists Injured	2	1
Motorcycle Accidents	2	4
Fatal Accidents	1	0

Motor Vehicle Accidents by Day

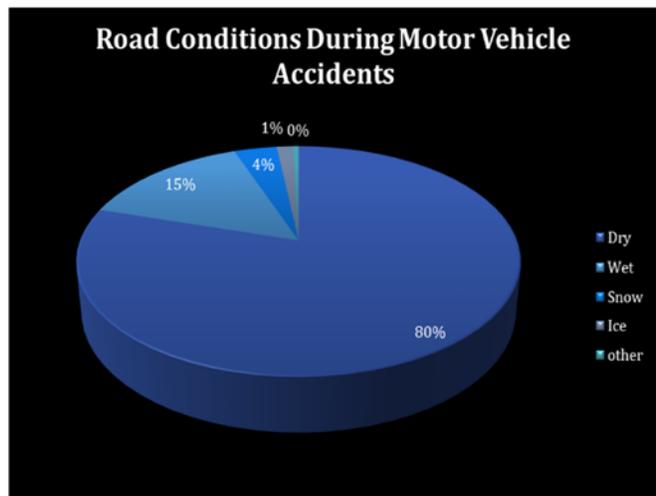
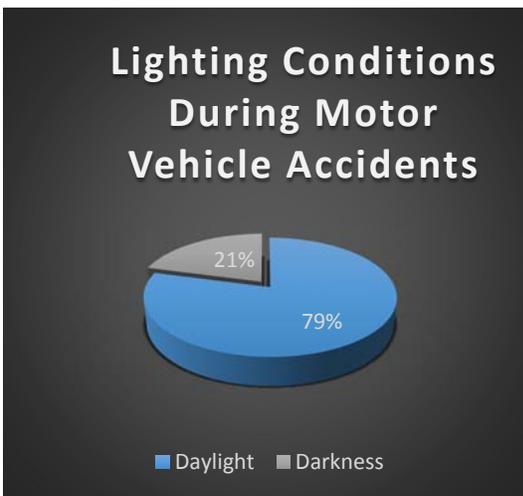
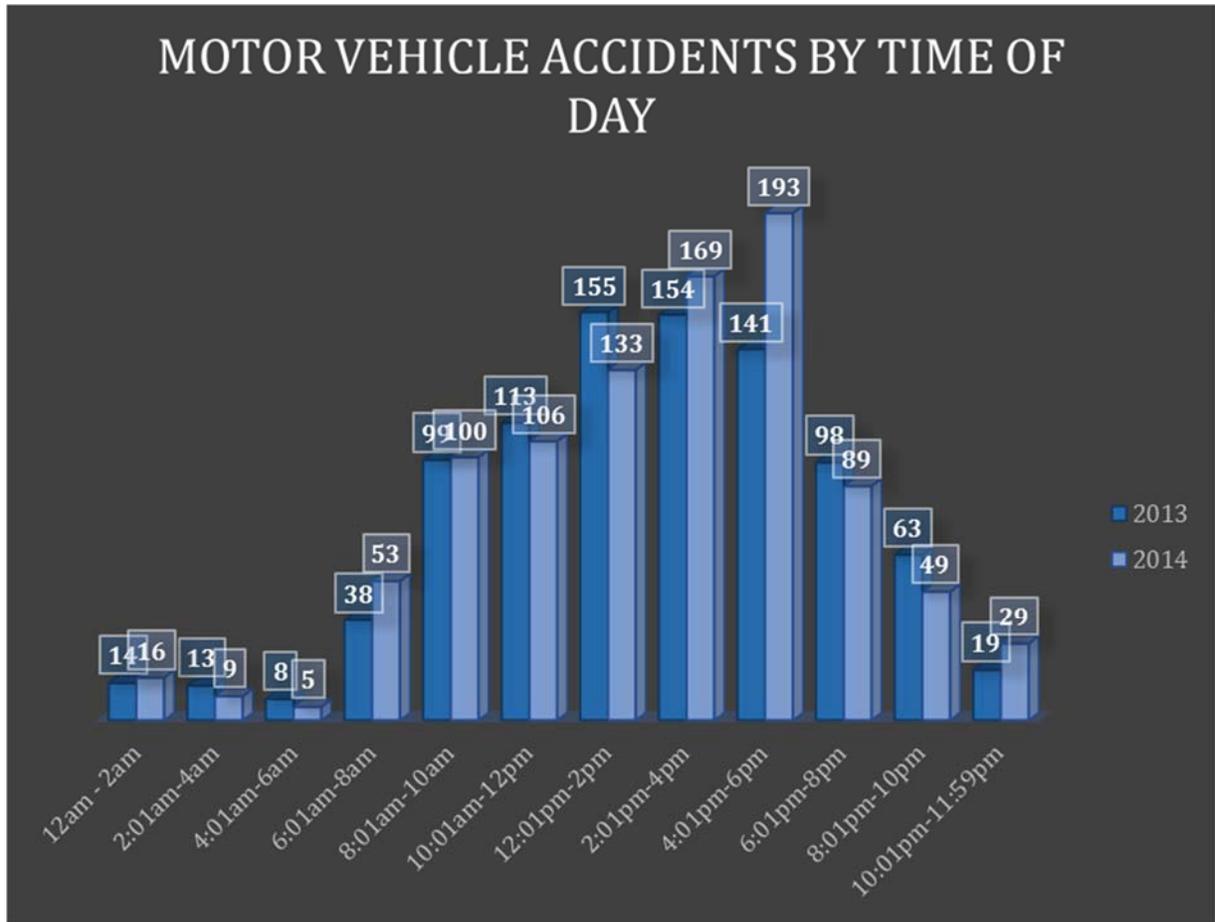


Motor Vehicle Accidents by Weather Condition





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Driving While Intoxicated



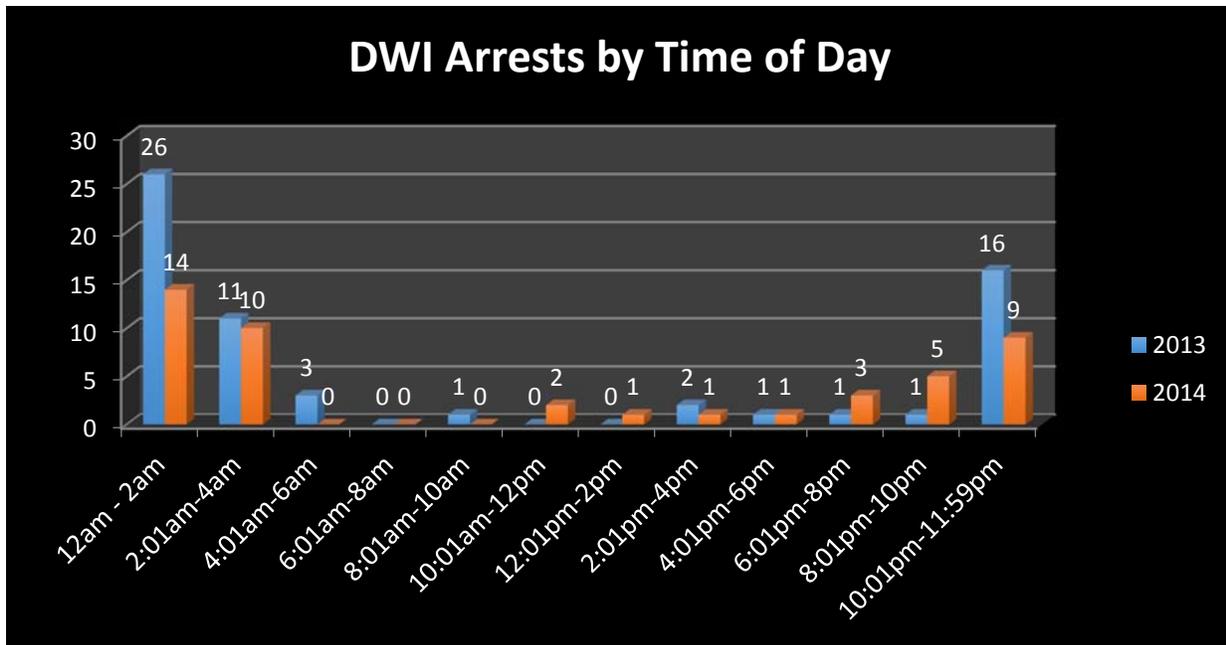
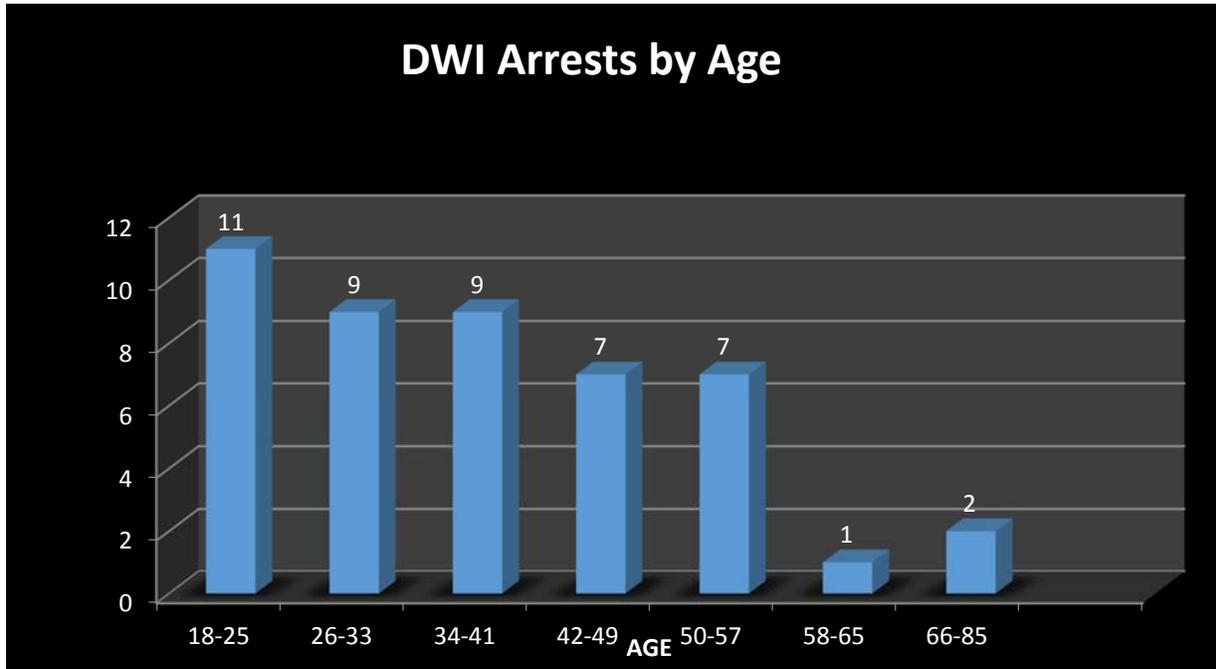
Total DWI Arrests 2014: 46

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration **32,719** people died in traffic crashes in 2013 in the United States (latest figures available), including an estimated **10,076** people who were killed in drunk driving crashes involving a driver with an illegal BAC (.08 or greater). Among the people killed in these drunk driving crashes, 65% were drivers (6,515), 27% were motor vehicle occupants (2,724), and 8% were non-occupants (837), with an average of one person dying in a drunk driving fatality every 52 minutes (Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility).

The Princeton Police Department is committed to lowering the occurrences of driving while intoxicated incidents as well as motor vehicle accidents related to driving while intoxicated. We believe a multidisciplinary approach that includes education, effective legislation and aggressive and committed patrol and enforcement methods will continue to help lower these incidents.

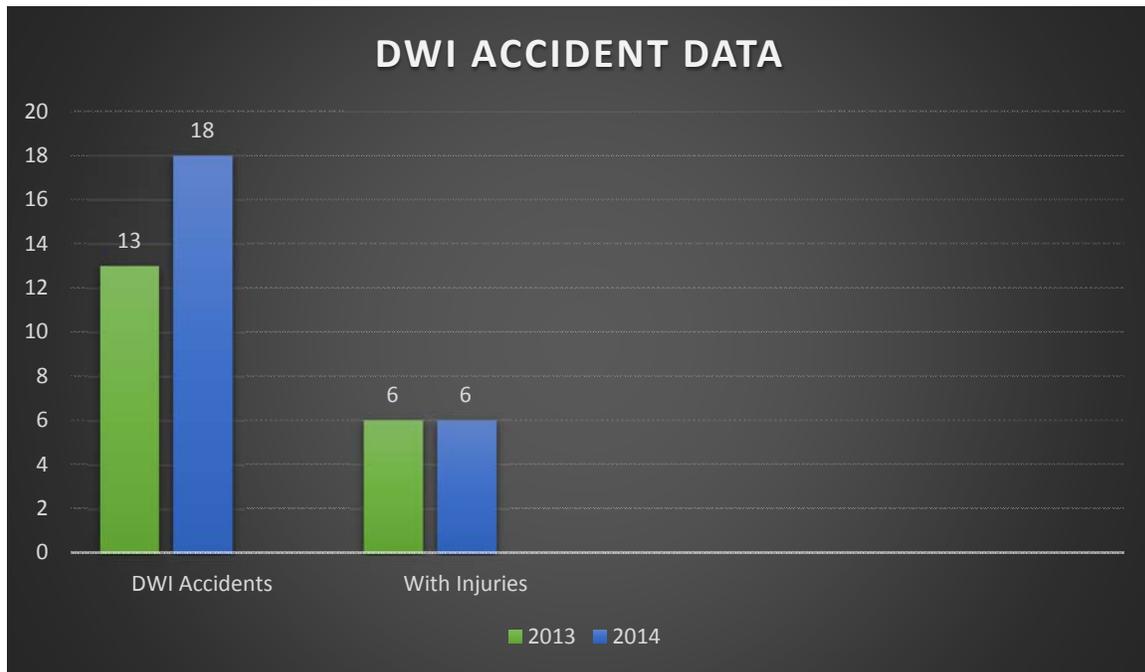


Traffic





Traffic





Professional Standards



The Bureau of Professional Standards consists of three primary functions: policy development, accreditation standards compliance and internal affairs.

The Accreditation Manager and Commander of this division, Lt. Christopher Morgan, reviews new and existing policies and procedures in an effort to facilitate efficient and effective operation of the department.

The New Jersey Attorney General’s Office mandates that each police department within the state establish an Internal Affairs Bureau. The purpose of the Internal Affairs Bureau is to “establish a mechanism for the receipt, investigation and resolutions of complaints of officer misconduct. The goal of internal affairs is to insure that the integrity of the department is maintained through a system of internal discipline where fairness and justice are assured by an objective and impartial investigation and review” (Guideline, September, 2011).

Recent national events have shed light on the notion of police accountability as well as checks and balances involved in serious incidents such as the use of deadly force. The Princeton Police Department has a very proactive internal affairs unit that uses processes such as early warning systems to identify trends, the need for training and policy remediation. Additionally, in any serious use of force situation involving a police officer, the Mercer County Prosecutor’s Office and New Jersey Attorney General’s Office conduct any investigations as mandated by state law. This helps to insure transparency and objectivity in such serious incidents.



Professional Standards

The table illustrated below shows the Internal Affairs data compiled by the department in 2014. This information is made public as well as given to the Mercer County Prosecutor’s Office and New Jersey Attorney General’s Office for review each year.

2014 Internal Affairs Dispositions

Type of Complaint	Sustained	Exonerated	Not Sustained	Unfounded	Admin. Closed	Total Dispositions
Excessive Force	-	-	-	-	-	-
Improper Arrest	-	-	-	-	-	-
Improper Entry	-	-	-	-	-	-
Improper Search	-	3	-	-	-	3
Other Criminal Violation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Differential Treatment	-	1	-	-	-	1
Demeanor	-	1	-	1	-	2
Domestic Violence	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Rule Infraction	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	0	5	0	1	0	6

**Disposition Definitions*

Sustained: The investigation disclosed sufficient evidence to prove the allegation against the officer by a preponderance of the evidence.

Exonerated: The alleged incident occur, but the actions of the officer were justified, legal and proper.

Not Sustained: The investigation failed to disclose sufficient evidence to clearly prove or disprove the allegation.

Unfounded: The alleged incident did not occur.

Administratively Closed: Examples include situations where a complainant withdraws the complaint or the subject officer terminates his or her employment prior to disposition of the complaint.



Professional Standards

2014 Use of Force Report

Total number of incidents necessitating the use of Force	10
Total number of persons against whom force was used	11
Total number of incidents involving officer use of Physical Force	10
Total number of incidents involving officer use of Mechanical Force	0
Total number of incidents involving officer use of Deadly Force	0

Police Department Accredited by State after Lengthy Process



All aspects of the new police force were examined by the NJSACOP team: policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services. Members of the public were invited to comment to members of the assessment team on the Princeton Police Department’s ability to comply with the NJSACOP standards, which could be viewed at the Department headquarters, 1 Valley Road. Nick Sutter, Chief of Police, has described accreditation as “a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence.” The accreditation is valid for a three-year period during which time the department must submit annual documentary proof of continued compliance with 100 standards as required by the Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission.



Uniform Crime Reporting

The Uniform Crime Reporting (or UCR) Program was developed in 1929 by the International Association of Chiefs of Police to meet the need for national uniform crime statistics. In 1930, the FBI was tasked with collecting and distributing these statistics.

The UCR Program is a cooperative, nationwide effort with more than 18,000 city, university/college, county, state, tribal and federal law enforcement agencies voluntarily reporting data on crimes brought to their attention. The program's primary objective is to generate a reliable set of criminal statistics for use in law enforcement administration, operation and management.

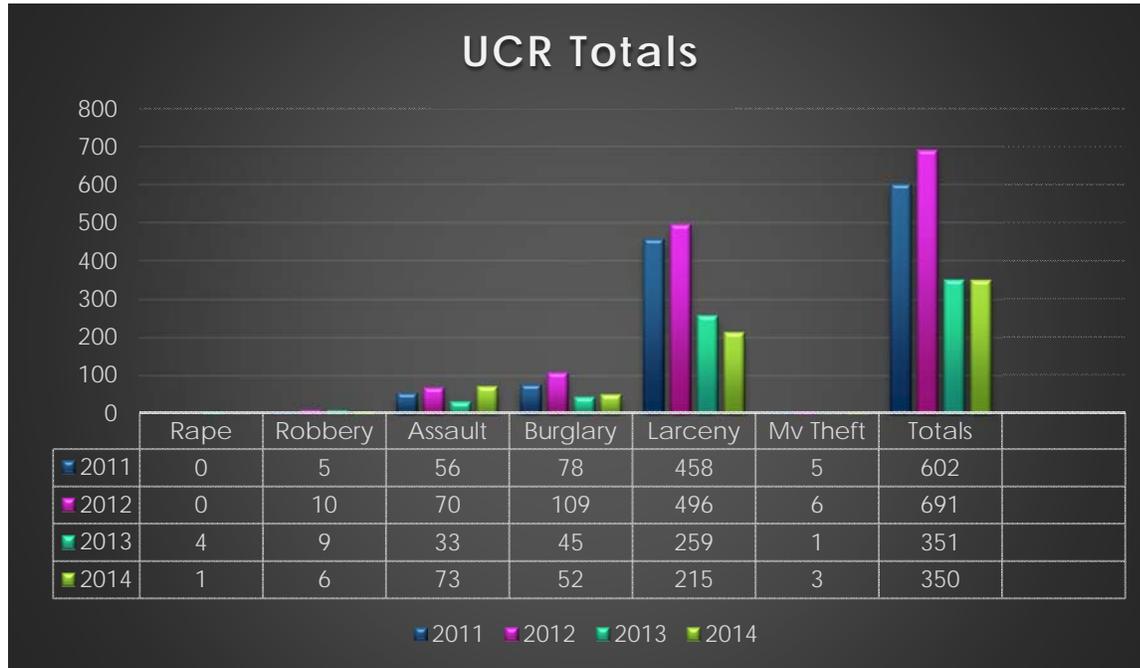
All criminal offenses are classified as either "Part I" or "Part II" offense categories. Part I offenses are violent crimes including murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault and the property crimes of burglary, larceny and auto theft. Arson, is also a property crime, however data for arson is not included in property crime totals.

Part II crimes include simple assaults, forgery and counterfeiting, fraud, embezzlement, buying/receiving and possessing violations, gambling, disorderly conduct, and numerous other miscellaneous offenses. "Simple Assault" is considered a Part II offense, however it's collected and presented in the Part I Crimes table as a quality control matter and for the purpose of looking at total assault violence.

In 2014, there were 36,730 calls for service in Princeton. Of these, 350 calls were for one of the 8 reportable offenses tabulated for Uniform Crime Report statistics.



Uniform Crime Reporting



2014 Total Arrest

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD 2014
Arrests	19	34	49	23	33	34	55	28	38	29	39	31	412

2013 Total Arrests

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Arrests	45	38	32	38	59	37	38	32	39	37	24	25	444



RECORDS BUREAU



The Princeton Police Department Records Bureau is open to the public Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. During these times the public can contact Records staff via telephone or in person to request copies of traffic accident reports and crime incident reports as well as clearance letters, temporary handicapped parking applications and Firearms Permit and ID Card application packets.

The Records Bureau is responsible for processing, maintaining and disseminating all criminal investigation documents as well as motor vehicle accident reports and summonses. They also process Discovery requests for attorneys and prepare cases for the weekly Princeton Municipal Court as well as cases for the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office.

The Records Bureau also responds to Open Public Records Act (OPRA) requests received each year via fax, e-mail, U.S. mail and in person. These requests range from a simple one or two page report to much more involved request for multiple years' worth of records.



RECORDS BUREAU

Some of the other duties handled by the Records Bureau staff include assisting Patrol Officers with Taxi Applicants by assigning case numbers and setting up the appointments for the taxi inspections and review of the applications. Record checks for other law enforcement agencies are also handled by the Records Bureau and this number is close to 2,000 per year. The Records Bureau compiles monthly statistics on Generated Cases, Arrests, MV Stops, DWI Arrests, Summonses issued, Motor Vehicle Accidents and Local Ordinance violations by officer, which is prepared for all Supervisors in the Department. This information is also compiled into a monthly police report format that is presented to Mayor and Council monthly.

The Police Department is required by the State of New Jersey to manage all records maintained according to a Records Retention and Disposition Schedule. The Records Bureau is responsible for compiling the list of records to be disposed of each year and once the request has been approved by the State Division of Archives and Records Management (DARM) the Records Bureau destroys the approved records. This process is a very important component necessary to keep the Princeton Police Department as efficient and organized as possible.

RECORDS PROCESSED

<i>Record</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>2014</i>
<i>Clearance Letters</i>	67	63
<i>Handicapped Parking App.</i>	97	96
<i>Firearms Permits</i>	68	62
<i>Firearms ID Cards</i>	35	24
<i>Public Records Requests</i>	175	222
<i>Taxi Applications</i>	50	62
<i>Police Reports Processed</i>	6,918	5,981



Special Events

2014 NATIONAL SPECIAL OLYMPICS

2014 showed an increased need for police involvement and coordination with outside agencies for special events. Princeton is a destination sought by many organizations to host large and sometimes national events. This requires a tremendous coordination and operational effort by the police department. The largest example of this was the 2014 National Special Olympics. Princeton hosted several venues for the 2014 games. This experience was not only significant for the participants and their families but for our officers as well.





Special Events



Chief Nick Sutter, Sergeant Ken Samuels (PUDPS) with 2014 Participants



Lt. Robert Currier, Ptl. Marshall Provost and State Police Trooper and 2014 participant



Lt. Sharon Papp with 2014 participant



Special Events



Sergeant Jon Bucchere with Officers Allie, Thomas and Federico and 2014 participants



Special Events

2014 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

The Spirit of Princeton organized another spectacular Memorial Day Parade in 2014. This parade is a long honored tradition that has been kept alive thanks to the volunteerism of the Spirit of Princeton members.





Special Events





Special Events

OTHER 2014 PRINCETON EVENTS



2014 Communiiversity Day



Cupid's Chase Run



*Princeton High School 5k Run
Stuart School 5k Run
University Medical Center 10k Run
American Cancer 5k Run
Turkey Trot 5k Run*



Wheels Rodeo



Special Events



Princeton University Commencement



Spirit of Princeton Fireworks



2014 Palmer Square Waiter's Race



2014 Princeton High School Graduation



Special Events



Princeton Community Night Out



Jazz Feast



Special Events



2014 Kids Triathlon



Princeton High-Tops Half Marathon



SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD BUREAU





SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD BUREAU

The Safe Neighborhood Bureau continued to fulfill its mission by engaging the community in a variety of different Community Policing based initiatives. They continued to make youth concerns one of their primary goals as illustrated through their work with the Princeton Public Schools, private and parochial schools throughout the community as well as their work with the Committed and Faithful Princetonians.

The Wheels Rodeo



The Safe Neighborhood Bureau, the Princeton Human Services Commission, the Mayor’s Wellness Campaign and the Princeton Recreation Department hosted the 5th annual Wheels Rodeo in 2014. This year’s event was held outside of Witherspoon Hall. The event included free bicycle inspections, helmet fittings, safety rules instructions and an obstacle course for children to practice bicycle safety. New additions to this year’s event included car seat inspections and participation by the Princeton Healthcare system and the Sports Concussion Institute of New Jersey. The day included many free giveaways including helmets, bicycle lights and reflective stickers. The grand raffle prize of the event was a Trek Mountain Bicycle donated by Princeton PBA Local 130.



SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD BUREAU

Corner-House All-Princeton Dodge-Ball Event

Turns Out

To Be an

All-Out Success



The Princeton Police Department was pleased to once again participate in the All-Princeton Corner-House Dodge-Ball event. Besides the great interaction with local students, it was said that the PD had a respectable showing.



SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD BUREAU

Car Seat Inspections



The Princeton Police Department has several Certified Child Safety Seat Technicians that will perform child safety seat inspections free of charge. During the process the technician will insure that the seat is properly installed and that parents/guardians are aware of important features unique to their specific seat. Child seat safety inspections can be made by contacting the Princeton Police Department Safe Neighborhood Bureau for an appointment.



Certified Technicians from left to right (Ptl. Leonard Thomas, Cprl. Matthew Solovay Sgt. Geoffrey Maurer)



SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD BUREAU

The Committed and Faithful Princetonians

As its mission statement says, the Committed and Faithful Princetonians lead by Fern and Larry Spruill, are committed to prepare male and female youth for academic and social development leading toward a life of high achievement. In 2014 the Safe Neighborhood Bureau again partnered with this ever so important group by attending monthly meetings, giving presentations and taking approximately 25 youth members to a Princeton University Men's Basketball game. The goal of this police/community partnership is to bridge the gap between the youth of Princeton and our police officers.





SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD BUREAU

Princeton Police Youth Police Academy





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The Safe Neighborhood Bureau organized the 2014 Princeton Police Youth Police Academy. This program provides children in 6th, 7th and 8th grades with an in depth look at the world of policing. The students were given instruction in traffic enforcement, criminal investigation, crime scene processing and the court system. They were also given a practical lesson in Honor Guard Drill. The students also viewed a K-9 Unit demonstration and visited the New Jersey State Police Museum.



Students investigate a staged motor vehicle accident scene



Students get a close look at the State Police Aviation Unit.



SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD BUREAU

Princeton to Celebrate National Night Out



Community Night Out was hosted by the Princeton Police Department in conjunction with the Princeton Recreation Department on August 5, 2014 at the Princeton Community Park Pool. The Police Department provided 1500 free hot dogs, 50 cases of water and numerous other refreshments. Some of the attractions included a 24' Rock Climbing Wall, and a Dunk-a-Cop Dunk Tank.



SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD BUREAU

School Presentations

The Safe Neighborhood Bureau was asked to provide many different presentations to the students of Princeton's Public and Private Schools. A total of 32 presentations were given over the course of the year. The topics covered included Bullying, Cyber Bullying, Drug and Alcohol Abuse, Halloween Safety, Safety for Preschoolers, Internet Safety and Trends in Social Media. The ages of the students ranged from 3 years old to 13 years old. Several presentations were also given to the Princeton Parent Teachers Associations as well as parents of the school children.

School Security

The Safe Neighborhood Bureau continued to monitor the lockdown drills conducted by several of the Princeton Schools as well as having input on their emergency protocols. Many of the schools continuously update their protocols and have asked for our input and assistance in making sure they are as prepared as they can be, should an incident occur.

Incident Response

The Safe Neighborhood Bureau has developed an incident response protocol where increased police activity is present within a neighborhood. As part of the protocol, we provide information to the public regarding the reason for the increase in activity by going door to door and speaking with the residents. In instances where we do not make contact with the resident, a flyer is left detailing the reason for the increased activity. Examples of these instances include residential and vehicle burglaries, robberies and quality of life issues. Our goal is to alleviate any concerns the public may have regarding the increase in activity while also providing the public with the information needed to properly safeguard against any trends that may be taking place.



SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD BUREAU

2nd Annual Princeton Police Department Coat Drive



The Safe Neighborhood Bureau, with the assistance of the Princeton Methodist Church, sponsored a coat drive to help the less fortunate residents of Princeton. Through donations from the public, the coat drive was able to donate many warm winter coats to the Princeton Methodist Church, which hosts a weekly Community Kitchen, where food and clothing are available at no cost.



Training

Our department has undertaken a very robust training plan as we have placed a priority on keeping our employees up to date on best practices in all disciplines related to our job functions. Training is divided into two sub-sections, mandatory and professional development.

Some of the mandatory training requirements as stated by the New Jersey Attorney General are:

- Firearms Qualifications (Semi-annual)
- Use of Force Training
- Vehicular Pursuit
- Domestic Violence
- Blood borne Pathogens
- Hazardous Materials
- Right to Know
- Alcotest Certification
- 9-1-1 Dispatch
- Emergency Medical Dispatch
- Internal Affairs Policy and Procedure
- Victim Witness Services
- Baton Training
- Oleoresin Capsicum Training
- CPR and First Aid
- Radar Operator Recertification

In addition to these mandatory training requirements, the following are some additional professional development training initiatives that were undertaken in 2014:

Active Shooter Training

On April 1st and 3rd, 2014, officers attended an 8 hour active shooter course at police headquarters and at the old UMC@P hospital at 253 Witherspoon Street. This training consisted of classroom instruction as well as practical exercises.

Arrest, Search and Seizure and Legal Update

On April 2nd and 3rd, 2014, officers satisfactorily completed a course of instruction in arrest, search and seizure review and update.

Rapid Response to Active Shooter

On April 9th and 10th, 2014, officers successfully completed a course in Rapid Response to Active Shooter at the Monmouth County Police Academy.



Training

Suicide Intervention

On April 9th, 2014, officers successfully completed a course in suicide intervention for communications officers at the Rutgers University Police Department.

High Impact Supervision Course

On April 14th, 15th and 16th, 2014, officers attended “High Impact Supervision” at the Monmouth County Police Academy.

Immigration/Wage Theft Training

On April 17th, 2014, officers from the Princeton Police Department and 4 officers from the West Windsor police Department attended immigration and wage theft training at Princeton Police Headquarters.

NJ-NENA Conference

From April 22 to April 24, 2014, several communication officers attended the NJ-NENA 2014 Pre-Conference and Conference and Trade Show held in Atlantic City, NJ. This conference is designed specifically for emergency services communications officers.

Tactical Handgun I Course

On April 23, 2014, officers successfully completed the Tactical Handgun course at the Somerset County Firearms Range in Hillsborough, NJ.

Tactical Handgun II Course

On April 24th, 2014, officers successfully completed the Tactical Handgun II course at the Somerset County Firearms Range in Hillsborough, NJ.

American Red Cross First Aid and CPR Instructor

On April 28th, 29th and on May 2nd, 2014, Ptl. Holly Arana successfully completed an American Red Cross First Aid, CPR and AED Instructor course at the CNJ Princeton Training Center.

Terminal Agency Coordinator Seminar

On April 29th, 2014, Sgt. Steven Riccitello and Sgt. Carol Raymond attended Terminal Agency Coordinator training at the NJSP Technology building in Hamilton, NJ.

Patrol Rifle Instructor Course

From April 28th to May 2nd, 2014, officers successfully completed the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice Academy Patrol Rifle Instructor Course. This course was given at Fort Dix, NJ.



Training

Radar Operator Recertification

On March 6, 2014, officers completed Radar Recertification Training

Community Policing (Train the Trainer)

On March 12th, 2014, Sgt. Geoff Maurer, Det. Annette Henderson, Ptl. Jorge Narvaez, Ptl. Luis Navas and Ptl. James Martinez attended a community policing (train the trainer) course called “Welcome to America” at the John H. Stamler Police Academy in Scotch Plains, NJ.

Monadnock Expandable Baton Instructor Course

On March 13th and 14th, 2014, Ptl. Merv Arana successfully completed an instructors course in regards to the use of the M.E.B. baton.

Autism and Law Enforcement

On March 17th, 2014, Ptl. Courtney Navas attended a seminar in regards to Autism and Law Enforcement: Recognition, Response and Risk Management. This seminar was held at the Brookdale Community College in Lincroft, NJ.

HGN and Sobriety Testing Certification

On March 19, 2015, Ptl. Michael Schubert successfully completed the practitioner training phase certifying him in the administration and interpretation of the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests, including Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus.

Media for Agency Spokespersons

On March 20th and 21st, 2014, Sgt. Jon Bucchere successfully completed a media seminar for agency spokespersons in Cherry Hill, NJ. The seminar was presented by Benchmark Professional Seminars, Inc.

Social Media Marketing Seminar

On March 20th and 21st, 2014, Sgt. Steven Riccietello and Sgt. Michael Cifelli attended a social media marketing seminar in Cherry Hill NJ

Crossing Guard Training and Resources Seminar

On March 25th, 2014, officers attended an 8 hour Rutgers University Crossing Guard Training and Resources Seminar at 400 Witherspoon Street.

Supervision Course

On March 26th and 27th, 2014, officers attended an “Essentials of Effective Supervision” course at the John H. Stamler Police Academy in Scotch Plains, NJ.



Training

Telecommunications Role in Active Shooter Events

On May 6, 2014, communications officers successfully attended a seminar regarding the telecommunications role in active shooter events. This class was held at the East Brunswick police department.

FEMA Crowd Management Training

On Tuesday, May 6th, 2014, officers attended FEMA Crowd Management training at the College of New Jersey. This training was held in preparation for the upcoming Special Olympics in Princeton.

Building Clearing

On May 7th, 2014, Ptl. James Martinez successfully completed a building clearing course at the Somerset County Police Academy.

Inaugural NJ State Conference on Character, Ethics and Leadership

On May 12th, 2014, Lt. Currier, Lt. Morgan and Lt. Toole attended the Inaugural NJ State Conference on Character, Ethics and Leadership at the Richard Stockton State College in Galloway, NJ.

Child Passenger Seat Certification Course

From May 12th to May 14th, 2014, Ptl. Leonard Thomas successfully completed a course as a child safety passenger seat technician at the Point Pleasant Beach Fire Company.

Basic Crime Scene Investigations

From May 12th to May 16th, 2014, officers successfully completed a course in basic crime scene investigations at the Monmouth County Police Academy.

Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings

On May 13th, 2014, Cpl. Matt Solovay successfully completed a 4 hour course in Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings. The course was administered by New Mexico Tech.

Prevention of and Response to Suicide Bombing Incidents

On May 13th, 2014, Cpl. Matt Solovay successfully completed a 4 hour course in Prevention of and Response to Suicide Bombing Incidents. The course was administered by New Mexico Tech.

Open Public Records Act Seminar

On May 14th, 2014, Lt. Sharon Papp and Ms. Shannon Lawson completed an OPRA seminar at the Ocean County Police Academy



Training

Firearms Training and Semi-Annual Qualifications

From April 28th to May 14th, 2014, the Police Department conducted semi-annual firearms qualifications and training at the Princeton Police Firing Range.

Police Press Relations Course

On Wednesday, March 21st, 2014, Sgt. Riccitello attended a police press relations class at the Ocean County Police Academy. The class was called "Police Press Relations in the Virtual Era."

New Jersey Women in Law Enforcement Conference

On May 22nd, 2014, Lt. Papp, Sgt. Raymond, Cpl. Montague, Det. Henderson, Ptl. Carter, Ptl. C. Navas and Ptl. H. Arana attended the 2014 New Jersey Women in Law Enforcement Conference at Rutgers University.

New Jersey Internal Affairs Investigation Program

On June 2nd and 3rd, 2014, Lt. Chris Morgan and Sgt. Jon Bucchere successfully completed a New Jersey Internal Affairs Investigation Program (#14-03) which was administered by the Center for Safety & Security, Richard Stockton State College and the Rodgers Group.

Missing Children: Dynamics and Response

On June 3rd, 2014, Sgt. Riley, Sgt. Williams, Sgt. Tash, Det. Henderson and PSCO Myzie attended a missing children, dynamics and response training seminar at Mercer County Community College.

Active Shooter On-Line Course

On June 4th, 2014, Lt. Robert Toole completed an online FEMA Emergency Management Institute training on Active Shooter: What You Can Do, IS-00907.

Child Abduction and Missing Person's Course

On June 5th, 2014, Cpl. Paccillo, Ptl. King and Ptl. Thomas attended a child abduction and missing person's investigation course at the Somerset County Police Academy.

Emotional Survival for Law Enforcement Officers

On June 11, 2014, Chief Sutter, Lt. Currier, Lt. Papp, Lt. Morgan, Lt. Toole, Sgt. Quaste, Sgt. Riccitello, Sgt. Riley, Sgt. Murray, Sgt. Raymond, Sgt. Maurer, Sgt. Hodges, Sgt. Tash, Sgt. Williams and Cpl. Paccillo attended an emotional survival for police officers seminar at Princeton University. The seminar was conducted by Dr. Kevin Gilmarten.

Patrol Response to Victims of Sexual Assault

On June 11th, 2014, Cpl. Montague, Ptl. H. Arana, Ptl. C. Navas and Ptl. J. Gering attended a Patrol Response to Victims of Sexual Assault seminar at the Somerset County Emergency Services Academy.



Training

Leadership Training

On June 12th and June 13th, 2014, Sgt. Tash and Sgt. Williams attended Leadership Training (Performance and Accountability) at the John H. Stamler Police Academy.

Canine Explosives Detection Training

From March 10th to June 13th, 2014, Cpl. Matt Solovay and K-9 Harris successfully completed explosive detection training at the NJSP Canine Training Academy.

Advanced Accident Investigation

On June 20th, 2014, Ptl. Michael Strobel successfully completed a two week advanced accident investigation (NJ Crash II) course at the Gloucester County Police Academy.

Domestic Terrorism and Active Shooter Preparedness

On June 23rd, 2014, Ptl. Michael Schubert attended a Domestic Terrorism and Active Shooter Preparedness course at the Morris County Police Academy.

Naloxone Instructor Course

On August 21, 2014, Sgt. Jon Bucchere and Ptl. Federico successfully completed a Law Enforcement Naloxone Instructor Course at the Mercer County Police Academy.

Methods of Instruction

On August 15th, 2014, Ptl. Leonard Thomas and Ptl. Dan Federico successfully completed a 40 hour P.T.C. certified Methods of Instruction Course at the Mercer County Police Academy.

Hazardous Materials Awareness

During the months of July and August 2014, all sworn officers and communications officers completed hazardous materials awareness training via the NJLEARN online e-learning system.

Domestic Violence Training

On August 20th, 2014, Det. Annette Henderson attended Domestic Violence Training at the Linda R. Fienberg Learning Center in Trenton, NJ. The training was presented by Womanspace, Mercer County Family Court and the Mercer County Prosecutors Office.

Physical Conditioning Instructor Course

From August 25 to August 29, 2014, Sgt. Chris Tash and Ptl. Leonard Thomas successfully attended a P.T.C. certified physical conditioning instructor course at the Mercer County Police Academy.



Community Outreach

Princeton police learn hands-off role for federal immigration laws



In 2013 two Princeton Police Department Officers, Jorge Narvaez and Annette Henderson, realized the need for a significant police department effort in the Latino Community. The department came to the realization that many members of this community were fearful of the police, under-represented with respect to available services and often victims of unreported crimes.

These two officers under-took an initiative in which they identified the concerns within the Latino Community. Officers Henderson and Narvaez formed a partnership with Fr. Miguele Valle at Saint Paul's Parish. They began to speak with members of the Latino congregation there and partnered with members of the community to face their problems and concerns. This initiative has seen tremendous success and has continued to grow.

In February of 2014 the officers of the Princeton Police Department received training from experts in federal immigration law that explained the role of local law enforcement in such matters. This training supplemented a new standard operating procedure on immigration issues developed by the department with collaboration from experts and stakeholders in the community.



Community Outreach

In 2014 the Princeton Police Department participated in and hosted the following Latino Outreach Projects:

January 28, 2014- “Enough Abuse” and CAPP Presentations for Latinos en Progreso

The National “Enough Abuse Campaign” was conducted by PEI Kids to educate adults on how to recognize the behavioral signals that indicate sexual abuse in children, risky behaviors in adults, how to respond to children who disclose abuse and how to report suspected abuse. Also two separate Child Assault Prevention presentations for teens and children were conducted separately to educate them on recognizing and reporting abuse.

February 9, 2014-Obtaining a Taxpayer Identification Number

At the request of parishioners at St. Paul’s Church, we hosted accountant Sergio Delgado who explained how to obtain a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) and why it is important, especially for undocumented persons who cannot obtain a Social Security card. Also highlighted was the importance of filing income taxes with the Internal Revenue Service. In addition three representatives from Wells Fargo Bank were present to provide information on the requirements needed and the process of how to open a bank account.

May 4, 2014-Understanding the Court Process

Ivette Santiago Green, an attorney, from the N.J Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) presented at St. Paul’s Church on the court system process in New Jersey, the difference between Municipal Court and Superior Court, what type of cases are heard at the municipal level and at the Superior Court level and how to file a citizen complaint.

September 28, 2014-Immigration Law

A presentation was given at St. Paul’s Church by Immigration Attorney Ryan Lilienthal on immigrant rights, ICE actions, and the legalization process to include citizenship. Also discussed was the potential upcoming immigration reform laws.

October 20, 2014- The Trenton Project Documentary

Patrolman Jorge Narvaez was requested to assist and participate in The Trenton Project, a collaborative investigative documentary by Princeton University student filmmakers of Urban Studies 202, "Documentary Film and the City". The students worked in partnership with Trenton residents, institutions and community partners to produce six micro-documentaries which explored how jobs, employment and work shape a city. A portion of the documentary was



Community Outreach

dedicated to Princeton regarding the interactions with the undocumented immigrant community and the challenges they face with wage theft.

November 9, 2014-Tenants Rights

A presentation was given at St. Paul's Church by local attorney Roger Martindell on tenant and landlord rights. The audience was educated on how to utilize proper legal channels when tenants feel victimized by landlords.

December 1, 2014-Immigration Informational Session

Patrolman Jorge Narvaez assisted in facilitating an immigration informational session co-sponsored by the Latin American Legal and Education Fund (LALDEF), Princeton Human Services Department and Hermandad Latino Americana at St. Paul's Church. The presentation was conducted by Ryan Lilienthal, Tatiana Darbak and Rudy Rodas, all of whom are attorneys specializing in Immigration Law. This event was driven by the Executive Order on immigration which was signed by President Obama in late November 2014.

January 19, 2015- The Reed/Tuck-Ponder Princeton Television Show

Patrolman Jorge Narvaez was invited to participate on the Reed-Tuck-Ponder Princeton Television show. The main topic was the Princeton Police Department's active participation in the community outreach program with the immigrant community.

Over the past two years the goal of the Hispanic Outreach Project has been to cultivate an increased level of approachability for the Princeton Police Department and our Hispanic Community. Although it is difficult to measure using a tangible method, it is witnessed to be present in the daily interactions between the Hispanic community and our officers. Working in partnership with Father Miguel of St. Paul's Church, we have the following events planned for 2015:

Sunday, March 15, 2015- Welcome to America

A presentation to educate newly immigrated community members to assist in assimilating to American culture as it relates to residing in Princeton. It will cover the topics of interacting with the police, general motor vehicle, criminal and ordinance violations and other pertinent topics. The audience will be provided with resources available from Federal, State, local and non-profit agencies.

Sunday, May 17, 2015- Legal Rights and Services

Attorneys with expertise in their fields will provide information about a person's legal rights and options for civil and criminal proceedings.



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Sunday, September 27, 2015-Local Services

A collaboration of local and county agencies to include our police department, Womanspace, Crisis Ministries, LALDEF, Princeton Human Services and Corner House will provide information about the services they offer to the community.

Sunday, October 18, 2015-Domestic Violence

An informational session on what constitutes Domestic Violence, the rights and services available to the victims and the consequences for the offender.

****Princeton Police Department Installs New “Project Medicine Drop” Box to Help Residents Dispose of Unused Medications, Prevent Prescription Drug Abuse*****



Princeton – The Princeton Police Department in conjunction with Corner House and Princeton Alcohol and Drug Alliance today announced that it has joined the New Jersey Attorney General’s “Project Medicine Drop” initiative, and has installed a Project Medicine Drop box at police headquarters.

Today’s announcement makes it easier and more convenient than ever for Princeton residents to take an active role in the fight against the nationwide epidemic of opiate and heroin abuse, which often is fueled by the abuse of prescription painkillers.

The department’s new Project Medicine Drop Box is located at Princeton Police Headquarters, 1 Valley Road. Residents may visit the Police Department at any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, to dispose of their unused or excess medications. The police department will also be engaged in off-site events where a mobile disposal unit will be brought to those who are unable to travel.



Community Outreach

Princeton Police Department Hosts Coffee with a Cop Event This Saturday



The Princeton Police Department hosted its first ever Coffee with a Cop gathering on Saturday, October 11, 2014 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Panera Bread located at 136 Nassau Street in downtown Princeton.

The event was created to allow members of the community to interact with uniformed officers in an informal setting. The goal is to enhance the relationship between the police department and community members and allow people to get to know the officers on patrol who work to keep their neighborhoods safe.



Princeton Police PBA Local 130 would like to offer a heartfelt thank you to all the members of law enforcement, Princeton town council, Princeton EMS, clergy, and the community, who braved the weather and helped us honor the memory of fallen NYPD Officers Wenjian Liu and Rafael Ramos during last night's vigil.



Community Outreach



On Wednesday, May 21, 2014, Mayor Liz Lempert and Police Commissioner Heather Howard helped kick off the Princeton Police Ride-Along Program. Mayor Lempert rode with Officer Christopher Craven while Police Commissioner Howard rode with Officer Darwin Kieffer.

The Ride-Along Program allows citizens and police officers from other jurisdictions to voluntarily accompany officers and to observe law enforcement activities to better understand policing in the Princeton Community. The department's community-oriented policing goals include a commitment to work with the community to solve neighborhood problems and to operate an open, accessible, accountable agency. The Ride-Along Program is consistent with these goals.



Community Outreach

Princeton Police, Human Services Collaborate on Wage Theft Issues

“The Human Services Commission’s Immigration Issues Subcommittee has been working for more than a year to protect the rights and safety of the town’s immigrant community, narrowing in on wage theft.

The town has sought to address wage theft in a variety of ways throughout the past year. The Human Services Department, Police Department and Latin American Legal Defense Fund streamlined a process for workers reporting wage theft, including a new intake form and process that allows workers to seek help at any of these agencies, in English or Spanish, said Elisa Neira, director of the human services department.

As part of a broader training on immigration issues, the police department invited state labor officials and representatives of New Labor, a New Brunswick organization focused on immigrant workers, to train the Princeton force earlier this year on wage theft laws and how to handle complaints.”

Trenton Times

Communications

Our Communications Center is staffed twenty four hours a day, every day, by highly trained telecommunication professionals who handle 9-1-1 calls for police, fire, and EMS emergency service. These professionals are also responsible for answering general phone calls coming through the non-emergency lines. They can assist callers in providing aid until help arrives on scene. Often the first point of contact in an emergency situation, the Police Communications Officer is a paramount part of the emergency response system.



On a daily basis they are tasked with receiving information from individuals in need of emergency assistance and relaying that information to the emergency responders in the field. The providing of accurate, timely, and detailed information to those emergency responders enables them to perform their duties safely and effectively.

The department has eight trained Communications Officers. Two officers are required at the Communications Center at all times. We also employ five Per Diem Communications Officers who are instrumental in providing relief when full time officers are on leave.

Social networking has become one of the most popular forms of communication and interaction in today's society. Social media allows law enforcement agencies to communicate general information as well as critical information in times of crisis to the public. In 2013 the Princeton Police Department used social media sites on a daily basis to increase our connection to the community.

Our department has used social media to increase emergency preparedness, to communicate information regarding crimes as well as to advertise community initiatives the department was planning. We recognize that social media will continue to be a vital tool for our department to connect to the community and we will continue to increase our knowledge and use of it. Sgt. Michael Cifelli is responsible for the day to day supervision of the Communications Center as well as management and operation of all social media sites for the department.

The Princeton Police Department K-9 Unit

On January 30, 2015, Cpl. Matt Solovay and K-9 Harris completed a 19 week K-9 Patrol Course at the New Jersey State Police K-9 Training Academy. This training is in compliance with the Attorney General's K-9 Training Standards and utilizes certification methods set forth by the United States Police Canine Association. The police canine receives extensive training in obedience, agility, criminal apprehension, handler/public protection, building clearing, evidence searching, and tracking. At the same time, the canine handler receives instruction in the role and use of the police service dog; techniques and field procedures; policy, procedures and legal issues; report writing; record keeping; and the care and handling of the police service dog. During their training, the K-9 Team trained at locations throughout the state; from Sussex County to Cape May County.



With the completion of this training, Cpl. Solovay and K-9 Harris are now a dual-purpose K-9 Team. They previously completed a Specialty Scent Detection Course, also hosted by the New Jersey State Police, and received a certification in explosives detection. Cpl. Solovay and K-9 Harris are members of the New Jersey Detect and Render Safe Task Force, which is a state, county, and local collaboration that involves bomb squads and explosive detection K-9 teams working together to detect and respond to potential bomb incidents. This task force provides a uniform and consistent response to the detection of explosives and has the ability to marshal all of the state's assets to one location, pursuant to a comprehensive Mutual Aid Agreement. In less than one year in service, Cpl. Solovay and K-9 Harris have responded to 6 bomb threats, 3 suspicious package calls, and conducted 17 proactive explosive sweeps for special events, such as the Special Olympics, Communiversities, and the Princeton Half-Marathon, as well as visits of foreign dignitaries, including but not limited to- the Foreign Minister of Ukraine, the Foreign Minister of Qatar, the President of the European Council, the Dalai Lama, and former President Jimmy Carter.