

## SYRACUSE POLICE DEPARTMENT 2005 ANNUAL REPORT





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**Tradition** 

Service

**Innovation** 

Excellence

### **Mission Statement**

As members of the Syracuse Police
Department, our mission is to protect
all lives and property and maintain a
feeling of security in the community,
and to enforce all federal, state and
local laws over which the Department
has jurisdiction. Our mission is
carried out with a commitment to
the philosophy and principles of
community policing.

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David C. Barrette

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DEPARTMENT OF POLICE Matthew J. Driscoll, Mayor

April 1, 2006

Honorable Matthew J. Driscoll Office of the Mayor City Hall Syracuse, New York, 13202

Dear Mayor Driscoll:

I respectfully submit the Syracuse Police Department's 2005 Annual Report.

The information and statistics captured in this report are indicative of the outstanding dedication and performance of the employees of the Police Department. You can be assured that the employees of the Police Department will continue to work diligently to ensure a safe and secure city for the residents of Syracuse.

We are appreciative and thankful for the support that the department has received from your administration.

Sincerely,

Gary Miguel Chief of Police

# Evaluation of 2005 Goals and Objectives

## Decrease Violent Crime through Innovative Crime Prevention Strategies:

- Maximize the effectiveness and efficiency of *Project Impact*.
- Identify and facilitate the selection of an additional Operation Weed and Seed target area within our jurisdiction.
- Reduce the rate of juvenile arrests in targeted areas by participating in the "Juvenile Arrest Reduction Program".
- Dissuade youths in our community from gang involvement.

Accomplished: To maximize the effectiveness and efficiency of the co-operative efforts of the Syracuse Police Department, the New York State Police, the Onondaga County Sheriff's Office, along with members of New York State Parole and Onondaga County Probation, the "Enhanced Impact" was implemented. Project Impact operated with ten-hour shifts in the past. To increase effectiveness, two ten hour shifts per day, Tuesday through Saturday, were implemented, providing increased preventative patrol coverage during the hours of 12:00 noon through 4:00 AM each day of the patrol.

To increase the efficiency of the project, equipment upgrades were put in to place. Fifty portable radios were distributed to outside agency personnel to enable all participants in the operation to communicate on a common radio channel. Additionally, computerized systems for the issuance of Uniform Traffic Tickets were installed in the Traffic Division and Crime Reduction Team vehicles of our department, which were employed in the operation. County and State vehicles already had the equipment in place. The upgrade resulted in more tickets being issued within fewer man-hours, with 59% of the total tickets issued being handled through the system.

The Crime Analysis Section conducted an extensive study that supported the implementation of a *Weed and Seed* project in the East Fayette Street corridor, from the 1800 through the 2100 block. The area was known for high incidences of criminal activity involving firearms and narcotics. After analysis, the project was launched and is currently in operation.

The Family Services Division implemented the *Disproportionate Minority Contact Program* in the City of Syracuse, allowing for the diversion of juveniles from the court system to a counseling program, in the hopes that early intervention will aid the youth population in avoiding behavior that could escalate to a career criminal status.

The department enhanced its' participation in the Gang Related Education Training (G.R.E.A.T.) Program and the "Violence Intervention Prevention (V.I.P.P.) Program". G.R.E.A.T. now includes all sixth grade students in the City of Syracuse School District. By including all sixth grade students, the Family Services Division increased the amount of student contacts within the program.

The "Violence Intervention Prevention (V.I.P.P.) Program" provides home and school based counseling for both troubled youths and their families. The Family Services Division increased the amount of referrals made to the Violence Intervention Prevention Program by 30% during the 2005 calendar year.

## Innovate and Improve the Department's Human Resource and Training Functions:

- Modernize the method in which files are kept on all departmental personnel by supplying software that will enable division staff to maintain personnel source documents, evaluations and training histories.
- Purchase and install a cutting edge presentation system at the Patrol East complex to facilitate the use of Power Point formatted presentations for Patrol Division roll calls.

Accomplished: A computerized system was developed that performs all of the required tasks for the Human Resources and Training Divisions, thereby increasing the productivity of the divisions, and making documentation filing and retrieval a streamlined process.

A power point presentation system was installed at the Patrol East complex, providing the ability to present Power Point slides via computer and projector. The equipment ensures that all officers are provided the same timely, quality training at roll calls.

# Expand the Capabilities of the Department's Information and Technology Resources:

- Increase the number of reception sites in the City of Syracuse, to allow Police Officers to transmit electronic police reports from points other than the existing two sites.
- Update and expand the Syracuse Police Department's public access website, providing the general public with additional information regarding police calls for service in their respective neighborhoods.

Accomplished: An additional "hot spot" to pick up wireless transmissions from the police vehicles was installed at Henninger High School, 600 Robinson St. The effort is continuing to establish sites in all four quadrants of the City of Syracuse.

The website at *syracusepolice.org* was updated to provide crime information and police call data for six month blocks of the calendar year. The information currently available is for July through December 2005, and will include the reigning six months statistics at the close of the calendar year.

Improve the community's understanding of, and relations with, the Syracuse Police Department.

 In conjunction with Syracuse University, conduct a community based survey, which will be used to improve police and community understanding and relations. The survey results will be evaluated with an eye toward enhancing relations between members of the community and the police.

Accomplished: A survey was conducted in conjunction with Syracuse University, directed by Captain Richard Goldacker. The evaluation of the survey and recommendations, gleaned from the results, were reported to the Office of the Chief of Police.

### **Highlighted Topics**

### **Project IMPACT**

Project IMPACT (Integrated Municipal Police Anti-Crime Teams) is a partnership of public safety and criminal justice agencies sponsored by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services to coordinate a systemic response to violent crime in the City of Syracuse. This project, which began in Syracuse in August of 2004, is a program to reduce violent crime across New York State by networking local resources that target gun crime and providing those agencies with additional tools to be more successful.

The Syracuse facet of Project IMPACT is managed by the Onondaga County District Attorney's Office. Oversight of this program is accomplished through regular meetings of the Project IMPACT Executive Committee and the Operations Group. These two forums provide the backbone of the enforcement efforts associated with this initiative.

Upper level managers from agencies that have long been independently involved in providing a variety of services to our community are a part of the Executive Committee. Representatives from various local, state and federal agencies unite in this core group to create a true collaborative force. Those in attendance at these meetings include representatives from law enforcement, community service organizations and supervised release agencies, as well as criminal prosecutors.

In these executive level sessions, policies and guidelines are created and the foundations for interagency coordination are established. Regular reporting of statistical data gleaned from the Project IMPACT Operations occurs in the executive meetings, as well as a continual reassessment of project goals, objectives and progress.

Representatives from Syracuse area law enforcement agencies meet regularly to form the Operations Group. This group examines trends in crime and formulates plans for coordinated enforcement efforts. In each meeting, representatives review statistical data and make assessments of past efforts. New strategies are discussed and schedules are created for the actual enforcement efforts to take place.

# Agencies in attendance at Executive Committee and Operations Group meetings typically include:

NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services
Onondaga County District Attorney's Office
U.S. Attorney's Office
Syracuse Police Department
Onondaga County Sheriff's Office
New York State Police
Onondaga County Probation
New York State Parole
United State Marshal's Service
Immigration & Customs Enforcement
Drug Enforcement Agency
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms

## Past Project IMPACT enforcement operations have included:

Narcotics Buy/Bust & Search Warrant Operations Intensified Traffic Enforcement Vice / Prostitution Operations Arrest Warrant Sweeps Parole / Probation Operations Corner Store / Under Age Operations ABC (Alcoholic Beverage Control) Inspections

These operations target areas where violent crime is most prevalent, as well as those areas that are the sources of complaints from within the Community. These operations have no geographical boundaries. The target areas are flexible and can change to meet the most current trends in violent criminality.

Prosecution for charges lodged during these operations may be through the state or the federal system. Through a coordinated approach to prosecution, the Onondaga County District Attorney's Office and the U.S. Attorney's Office assess each serious case and determine which system will provide the greatest relief from persistent or violent offenders.

A coordinated response to problem resolution increases efficiency and long-term effectiveness. Project IMPACT enhances the concerted efforts already in place through a variety of other programs, such as Weed & Seed and the Syracuse Police Gang Violence Task Force. This coordinated use of federal, state and local assets will continue to improve the quality of life in our Community, making it a safer place to live and work.

In 2005, there were 224 Project IMPACT operations conducted in areas of the City of Syracuse where violent, criminal activity had been reported at elevated levels. As a result of this enhanced police presence in the community, significant statistics have been compiled.

Most significantly, 29 handguns and 14 long guns were recovered.

In addition:

1,755 defendants were arrested on total charges of:

384 Felonies

1.678 Misdemeanors

840 Violations, including Local Laws

1,262 Infractions (subjects actually arrested)

4,150 total charges

A Total of 16,668 Uniform Traffic Tickets and 1,983 Parking Tickets were issued.

Drugs recovered:

Crack 465.2 grams
Powder Cocaine 184.6 grams
Marihuana 4,835 grams

(Additional amounts of heroin and diverted pharmaceuticals were also recovered.)

Cash seized pending forfeiture: \$136,278.00

Stolen vehicles recovered: 32

Planning for additional Operation IMPACT activity has been conducted. This coordinated, enhanced presence will continue throughout 2006.

### 2006 Goals & Objectives

## Reduce violent crime associated with street gangs:

 Identify gang members, concentrate police resources on tracking gang activities and reduce violent crime by improving and enhancing cooperative efforts between local, state and federal agencies.

#### Improve the efficiency of the department through the development and implementation of innovative computer software products:

- Develop a method to track citizens' complaints made through all of the City's Community Groups.
  - Improve the police department's communications with neighborhood community groups by providing information relative to citizens' complaints. Provide information regarding how the initial complaint was routed for police action, as well as how and when the issue was resolved.
- Further the introduction of the CNYLEADS (Central New York Law Enforcement Analysis Database System) to the County Sheriff's Department, as well as the Towns and Villages.
  - Facilitate a common computerized reporting system for all police departments in Onondaga County.
- Assist the department's Traffic Division with the implementation of the "TRACS" accident reporting and ticket writing technology.
  - Automate the issuance of traffic tickets, as well as the instant data capture of motor vehicle accident reports, through terminals in the police vehicles, and in the department's facilities located at 511 South State Street and 2109 Erie Boulevard East.

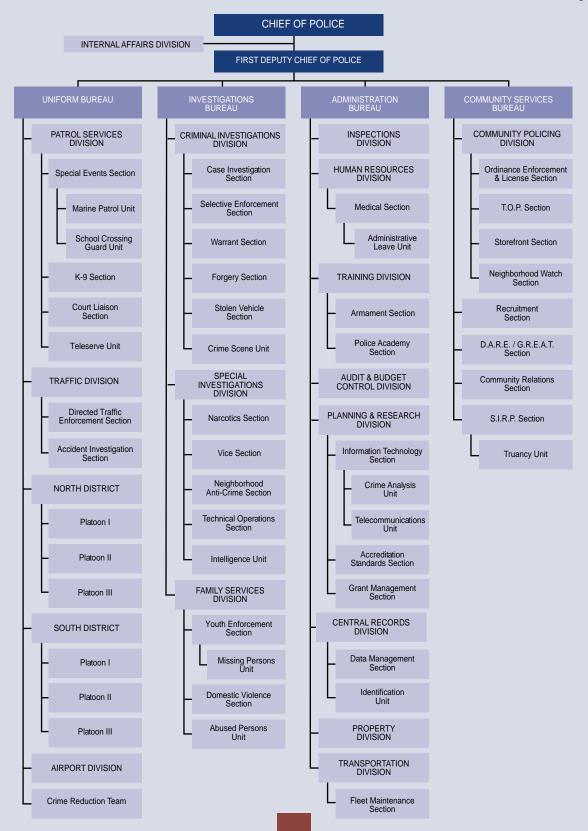
- Automate the distribution of departmental orders, and the verification of receipt of those orders.
  - Eliminate the waste of paper and personnel hours involved in the physical distribution of orders, as well as the physical collection and hand filing of verification forms.

## Improve the quality of police services provided to the public:

- Continue to expand the use of Community Service
   Officers in the teletype operations and explore the possibility of merging the department's teletype operations with the teletype operations of the Onondaga County
   Sheriff's Department, with the site being located at the Onondaga County 911 Center.
- Meet the ever-increasing technology needs of the Syracuse Police Department, the informational needs of our police officers; as well as the informational needs of the citizens we serve in the City of Syracuse by restructuring and civilianizing staff within the Planning & Research Division.

### Organizational Chart

The department maintains a table of organization that identifies the organizational components and establishes the chain of command and clear lines of authority.



### Syracuse Police Department

The City of Syracuse covers a land area of 25.8 square miles and has a population of approximately 147,306. The Mayor-Council Style Government governs the city. As of December 1, 2005 there were 483 sworn officers and 113 civilian personnel employed by the Police Department, with an operating budget of approximately \$35.104.476.00

# General Goals of the Department

Prevention of Crime - Crime is a problem that affects all segments of our society, and is a concern of everyone. The department shall endeavor to involve the community in generating mutual understanding regarding the nature and extent of the crime problem and to involve the community in crime prevention efforts necessary to reduce crime

Deterrence of Crime - Although there are certain crimes that cannot be prevented, crimes committed against innocent victims in public places and crimes against property can be deterred by proactive police operations and an involved community. These types of crimes are deterred by the criminal's fear of immediate apprehension or by the increased likelihood of his detection. The deterrence of crime requires the investigation of behavior that appears to be criminally directed. The department shall strive to organize its personnel to deter crime and inspire public confidence in the safety and security of the community.

Apprehension of Offenders - Once a crime has been committed, it is the duty of the department to initiate the criminal justice process by identifying and apprehending the offender, obtaining necessary evidence and by assisting in the prosecution of the case. The department must strive diligently to solve all crimes and to bring offenders to justice. The certainty of swift and sure punishment serves as an effective deterrent of crime.

Recovery and Return of Property - While the actual cost of crime is difficult to measure, it is possible to observe the steadily mounting cost of lost and stolen property. This loss, as well as the other costs must be borne ultimately by victims. In order to minimize the losses due to crime, the department shall make every reasonable effort to recover lost or stolen property, to identify its owners, and to ensure its prompt return.

Public Service - Because other public or private agencies may be unavailable, the public relies upon the police for assistance and advice in both routine and emergency situations. Saving lives, aiding the injured, locating lost persons, keeping the peace, facilitating the safe and orderly movement of traffic, and providing for many other miscellaneous needs are basic services provided by the department. It is the department's responsibility to respond to all calls for service and to render such aid or advice, as is necessitated or indicated by the situation.

Victim/Witness Assistance - It is essential to our law enforcement efforts that we protect the rights of victims and witnesses. Therefore, the department shall strive to avoid the traumatization of victim/witnesses by assisting them through an awareness of the psychological trauma associated with their circumstances and providing them with the necessary information regarding resources that are available to them.

Accreditation - Law enforcement accreditation is a process used to identify an agency's level of professionalism as measured by standards established by experts and practitioners in the law enforcement field. It is a goal of the department to maintain its accreditation status with New York State Bureau for Municipal Police.

Innovation - The Syracuse Police Department has an exemplary history as a leader in forging new and innovative policing methods and programs. It is a goal of the department to continue this tradition. Members are encouraged to think critically and creatively, present and promote ideas directed towards continuously improving the department and the services it provides to citizens in the City of Syracuse.

## Report On Office of the Chief of Police:

Chief of Police, Gary Miguel, is the Chief Executive Officer of the Syracuse Police Department and is the final authority in all matters of department policy, operations, and discipline. The Chief of Police is accountable to the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Syracuse.

#### The Office of the Chief of Police

- Ensures that the department's mission is executed efficiently and effectively.
- Creates a vision of the desired future state of the department.
- Develops strategic goals and objectives.
- · Empowers and leads subordinates.
- Plans, organizes, directs, staffs, coordinates and controls all departmental functions.
- Reports to the Mayor and the Common Council.

The Administrative Staff of the Office of the Chief of Police acts as a liaison between the Chief of Police, 1st Deputy Chief, and Bureau Chiefs. The staff handles internal and external communications directed to the Office, and represents the Office of the Chief of Police in matters as directed.

The Public Information Officer is responsible for acting as a liaison between the department and the media, coordinates all inquiries from the media, prepares news releases issued by the department, and acts as a spokesperson when requested or directed.

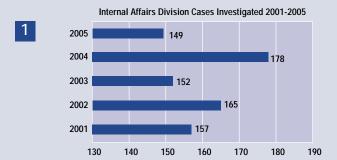
#### The Internal Affairs Division

- Facilitates the process of receiving internal and external complaints alleging employee misconduct.
- Investigates complaints against members of the department.
- Maintains documentation of complaints.
- Prepares charges (criminal, civil, and departmental) when appropriate.
- Assists in the representation of the department in arbitration.

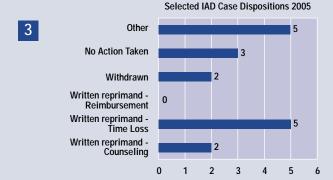
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Gary Miguel
Chief of Police







# Report On Administration Bureau Operations:

The Administration Bureau is commanded by First Deputy Chief of Police Michael Heenan who is responsible for coordinating and overseeing the department's operations, and daily administrative functions. The Administration Bureau is comprised of the following Divisions.

### The Audit and Budget Control Division

- Prepares and manages the Department's budget.
- Oversees and maintains records concerning the requisitioning of agency property and expenditures.
- Administers employee status, medical services, payroll, and program information.
- Conducts cost analysis.
- Maintains overtime information and records

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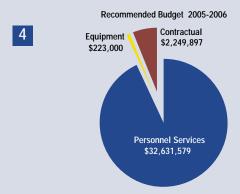
#### The Human Resources Division

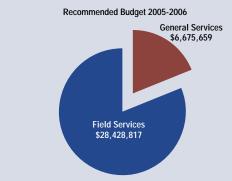
- Recruits and selects all department members.
- Establishes and maintains procedures that conform to federal and state regulations for hiring.
- Conducts comprehensive background investigations.
- · Maintains human resources records.
- Maintains all documentation relating to the appointment, transfer, retirement, termination, secondary employment, and commendations.
- Prepares orders relating to the assignment of personnel and maintains departmental roster.
- Prepares personnel status reports.

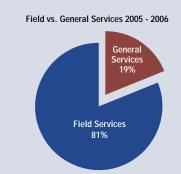
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Michael Heenan First Deputy Chief of Police







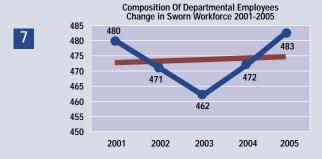
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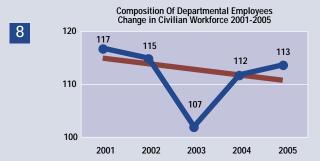
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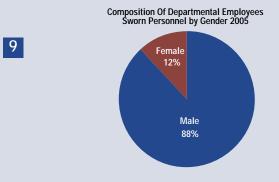
#### The Training Division

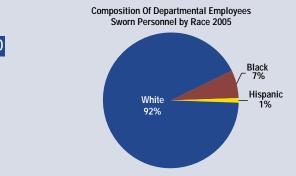
- Coordinates and administers departmental training programs.
- Administers training to peace and police officers from outside agencies.
- Plans and develops departmental training standards and programs.
- Monitors training methods and identifies training needs necessary for adherence to state and federal laws, and department policies.
- Prepares and distributes training bulletins.
- Administers in-service and field training officer programs, physical fitness evaluations, firearms training and qualifications, and police academy programs.
- Maintains records of training, standards, programs and lesson plans.

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Training Division Activity	2003	2004	2005
Police Academy Classes	0	1	1
Total Officers Certified	0	16	30
Outside Agencies Attending	0	0	4
University Security Officers	0	10	15
Community Service Officers	0	4	4
In-Service Training Sessions			
Total Officers Trained	667	560	584
Outside Agencies Attending	16	4	3
Police Officers	465	460	471
Training Topics Instructed	21	12	9
Supervisors	90	100	91
Training Topics Instructed	24	12	9
Command Officers	35	35	30
Training Topics Instructed	8	5	8
SPD Fitness (PEB) Participation	n73%	80%	83%
Certified Course Instruction			
NYS BMP OPS	5	4	5
Refresher	2	2	2
Seminars	4	1	2
Specialized Training	10	8	9
Outside Agencies Attending	20	15	4
Total Officers Trained	300	300	298









#### The Inspections Division

The Inspections Division

- Conducts staff and line inspections.
- Evaluates efficiency, effectiveness, and quality of departmental operations and systems.
- Evaluates compliance of goals and directives, and the essentiality of resources, facilities, vehicles, equipment, records, and personnel.
- Ensures that departmental policies and procedures are being followed.
- Monitors departmental morale.
- Reports deficiencies to the First Deputy Chief of Police.

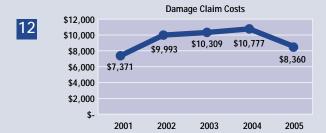
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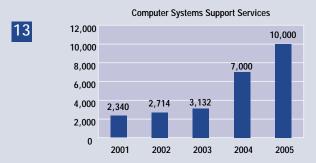
#### The Planning and Research Division

- Develops, prepares, publishes and maintains records of all departmental rules and regulations and orders, except Human Resource Division orders.
- Conducts research and planning projects as directed by the Chief of Police.
- Responds to surveys and statistical data requests from individuals, media and organizations.
- Prepares and publishes the department's annual report.
- Develops, manages and provides forms control services.
- Ensures departmental compliance with NYS Accreditation Program standards.
- Maintains and implements department Information & Technology systems and provides computer system support services.
- Prepares and assists in the management of departmental grants.
- During 2005 the Planning and Research Division started projects on the installation of door locks and surveillance cameras at the Public Safety Building and the Patrol-East complex.
- CNYLEADS system functions were expanded and improved with the creation and implementation of new forms, and the installation of two additional wireless "hotspots" within the city. In cooperation with the Regional Transportation Center, a new police office was created at the Transportation Center. Officers now have access to the department network from this location.

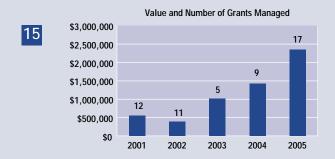
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#### Central Records Division

- Processes, maintains and distributes police records to include incident and follow-up reports, criminal process, and criminal history information.
- Processes freedom of information requests, NYSPIN Teletype operations.
- Creates computer information databases and record indexes.
- Provides photocopying and mailing services.

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The Identification Section processes and maintains arrest records, photographs, fingerprints and FBI updates on all individuals arrested by the Syracuse Police Department and Onondaga County Sheriff's Office. It also seals defendant records as ordered by the court, supplies criminal history transcripts, administers the State Automated Fingerprint Identification System, and Onondaga County Sheriff's - Syracuse Police computer generated photograph system.

The Data Management Section inputs Syracuse Police Department information into CNYLEADS (Central New York Law Enforcement Analysis Database System); as well as the Countywide Criminal History Information Reporting System and generates Uniform Crime Reports and statistical requests as required.

#### The Property Division

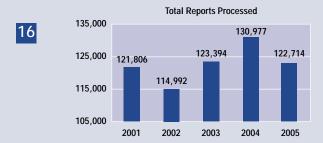
- Is responsible for the custody and disposal of physical evidence, found or recovered property, and all property held for safekeeping.
- · Maintains all departmental inventory records.
- Orders and stores supplies.
- Prints departmental forms.

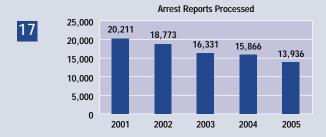
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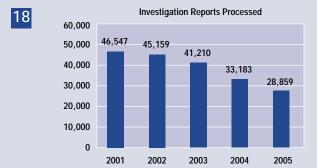
#### The Transportation Division

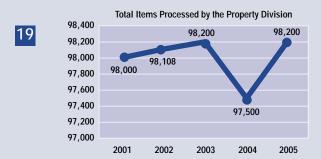
- Maintains all departmental vehicles and prepares vehicles for auction.
- Prepares specifications for the purchase of new vehicles.
- Completes vehicle repair work and maintenance on fleet vehicles.
- During 2005, 40 marked vehicles, 22 unmarked vehicles and 2 pick-up trucks were purchased for the police department.
- 71 vehicles were taken out of service and sent to auction.
- The total number of vehicles in the police department's fleet for 2005 was 302.

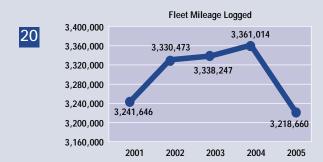
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# Report On Uniform Bureau Operations:

The Uniform Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief of Police David Barrette who is responsible for providing direct police services to the public. These services include street patrol, traffic control and enforcement, responding to calls for service and emergencies. The Bureau is comprised of the following Divisions.

#### The Patrol Division

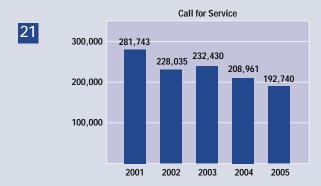
- Responds to all calls for police services.
- Conducts thorough preliminary investigation of all offenses.
- Conducts follow-up investigations in cases where responsibility is not yielded to another division or section.
- · Apprehends offenders and recovers stolen property.
- Enforces laws and regulations.
- Conducts crime prevention and suppression activities.
- Maintains close liaison with the community and fosters positive police community relations.

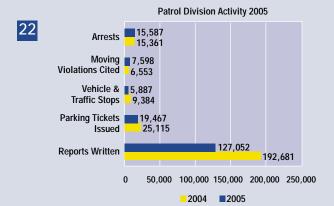
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The Patrol Division is the largest component of the Uniform Bureau. It consists of the First, Second, and Third Platoons. The First Platoon's hours of duty are 2200 hrs to 0700 hrs, with roll calls at 2200 and 2300 hrs daily.



**David Barrette**Deputy Chief of Police





#### First Platoon Activity 2005

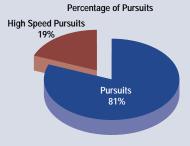
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1,973
1,156
307
832
1,834
2,149
8,794
68
79
56,586
10,627
45,997
30,532
3,113
13,266
5,700

The Second Platoon's hours of duty are 0600 hrs to 1500 hrs, with roll calls at 0600 and 0700 hrs daily.

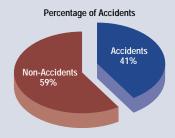
#### Second Platoon Activity 2005

Felony Arrests	532
Misdemeanor Arrests	1,592
Violation Arrests	799
Appearance Tickets	396
Warrant Arrests	665
Vehicle & Traffic Stops	821
Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued	1,322
Parking Tickets Issued	6,426
Social Event Checks	147
DWI Arrests	9
Calls for Service	49,950
With Reports	13,351
Without Reports	32,900
Number of Reports	38,159
Vacant House Checks	939
Property Checks	4,202
Business Checks	3,148





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The Third Platoon's hours of duty are 1400 hrs to 2300 hrs, with roll calls at 1400 and 1500 hrs daily.

#### Third Platoon Activity 2005

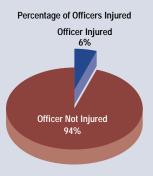
Felony Arrests	1,092
Misdemeanor Arrests	3,526
Violation Arrests	1,630.5
Appearance Tickets	961.5
Warrant Arrests	1,052.5
Vehicle & Traffic Stops	3,231.5
Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued	4126.5
Parking Tickets Issued	4,247
Social Event Checks	255
DWI Arrests	52
Calls for Service	86,204
With Reports	21,529
Without Reports	64,629
Number of Reports	58,361
Vacant House Checks	532
Property Checks	4,011
Business Checks	12,824

#### Platoon Comparisons 2005

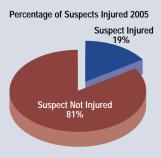
The following chart depicts the average annual workload per officer assigned to the First, Second and Third Platoons for the categories listed:

Platoon	First	Second	Third
Felony Arrests	17	11	20
Misdemeanor Arrests	46	34	64
Violation Arrests	27	17	30
Appearance Tickets Issued	7	8	17
Warrant Arrests	19	14	19
Vehicle and Traffic Stops	43	17	59
Traffic Tickets Issued	50	28	75
Parking Tickets Issued	205	137	77
DWI Arrests	2	0	1
Calls for Service	1,316	1,063	1,567
With Reports	247	284	391
Without Reports	1,070	700	1,175
Total Reports	710	812	1,061
With Reports Without Reports	247 1,070	284 700	391 1,175

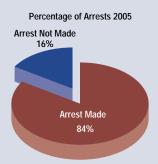
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#### The Patrol Services Division

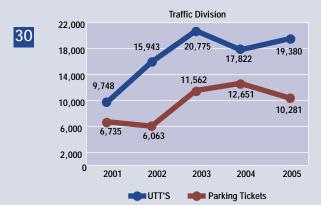
- Serves as the administrative arm of the Uniform Bureau Deputy Chief.
- Disseminates directives and information.
- · Obtains equipment necessary for operations.
- Reviews administrative and initial investigation reports.
- Analyzes statistical data of patrol activity systems and processes.
- Monitors levels of efficiency and effectiveness.
- Oversees the operations of the Special Events Section, K-9 Section, Marine Patrol Unit, Court Liaison, Teleserve Unit and the Emergency Services Units.

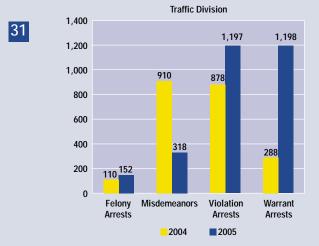
In 2005 the Patrol Services Division conducted an analysis of Syracuse Police Department vehicle pursuits. Thirty-two pursuits were analyzed.

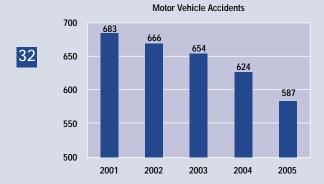
#### (See Graphs 23 through 29 on previous pages)

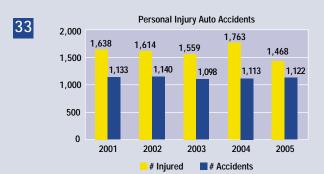
The K-9 Section is comprised of seven canine teams. Each team receives special training in building searches, area searches, tracking, obedience, and either narcotics or explosive detection. K-9 Activity for 2005:

Calls for Service	5645
Felony Arrests	65
Misdemeanors	130
Violations	34
Building Searches	227
Explosive Searches	248
K-9 Tracking	29
Open Area Searches	81
Building Perimeter Searches	966
Stolen Property Recovered	\$50,000
Traffic Tickets Issued	516
K-9 Demonstrations	31
Attendance	1,010
Officer Protection	279
Drug Searches	424
Marijuana Seized	1.2 lbs.
Cocaine Seized	2.0 oz.
Drug Money Seized	\$494,824









The Marine Patrol Unit provides maritime law enforcement and police patrol of Onondaga Lake and the Inner Harbor area of the City of Syracuse.

The Special Events Section plans and coordinates staffing and traffic control operations for numerous community events conducted in the City of Syracuse. The Section supervises the School Crossing Guard Unit that provides street-crossing safety to students (15,000) attending schools throughout the City of Syracuse.

Major Community Events	36
Carrier Dome Events	48
Officers Assigned to Dome Events	1,337
Dome Attendance 2004	668,554

The Tele-serve Section handles calls from citizens that are of a non-emergency nature.

Reports Written	351
Mail Complaints	1,874
Total Calls Handled	6,432

The Court Liaison Section processed 3,854 subpoenas, as well as pre-trial notices, hearings and conferences to individual officers during the year 2005.

#### The Traffic Division

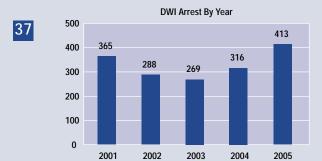
The Traffic Division is a pro-active traffic enforcement component of the department and is responsible for enforcing NYS laws and City of Syracuse ordinances governing vehicles and traffic. During 2005, the Traffic Division was presented with the following awards: National Law Enforcement Challenge Award in Underage Alcohol Prevention, National Law Enforcement Challenge Award Honorable Mention, New York State Law Enforcement Challenge Award for Excellence in Traffic Enforcement, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Eastern Region Law Enforcement Challenge Award for Outstanding Traffic Enforcement Program, AAA Gold Community Traffic Safety Award and the Campaign Safe & Sober Top Cop Award of Excellence (awarded to Officer R. Boris).

(See Graphs 30 and 31 on the previous page)









The Accident Investigation Section reviews, processes, stores and maintains motor vehicle accident reports and provides statistical and requested report information concerning motor vehicle accidents that occur in the City of Syracuse. The following graphs depict various motor vehicle accident and vehicle and traffic related statistics.

(See Graphs 32 and 33 on page 15, 34 through 37 on the previous page and 38 on this page)

#### The Airport Division

- Provides police services and airport security at the Syracuse Hancock International Airport.
- Ensures compliance with, and the enforcement of, Federal Aviation Regulations and standards and local, state, and federal laws.

#### Syracuse Hancock International Airport Activity 2005

1
5
16
19
2
243
118
4,096
3,882
235
3,647
9,459

The Crime Reduction Team was created and activated in July 2005. The Crime Reduction Team is comprised of sixteen police officers, two sergeants and one lieutenant. The main function of the Crime Reduction Team is to reduce crime and violence in the City of Syracuse through proactive patrol tactics and strict enforcement of city ordinances, penal and vehicle & traffic laws.

(See Graph 39 this page)





# Report On Investigations Bureau Operations:

The Investigations Bureau is commanded by Inspector Michael Kerwin who is responsible for overseeing the investigations of crimes committed against persons, property and serious or unusual incidents after the initial response and investigation by patrol. The Investigations Bureau also investigates narcotic and vice activity. This Bureau is comprised of the following Divisions.

#### The Criminal Investigations Division

- Conducts follow-up felony investigations initiated by the Patrol Division.
- Assists in primary investigations when requested.
- Clears crimes through arrest and recovery of stolen property, executes search and arrest warrants and apprehends fugitives.
- Acts as a liaison with representatives from federal, state, and other municipal agencies, and exchanges information concerning known criminals and criminal activity.
- Coordinates information with prosecuting agencies during investigations for upcoming court cases.

The Case Investigation Section conducts criminal investigations, primarily of felony crimes against persons such as homicide, rape, robbery, assault, and unattended deaths. The section also investigates criminal acts involving the loss of, or damage to, property such as burglary, arson, and larceny.

(See Graphs 40 and 41 on this page)



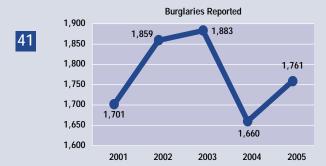
Michael Kerwin Inspector

**CID Crimes Against Persons Investigations** 

40 500 476 410 400 300 200 169 136 100 17 0 Homicide Dead Felony Robberv Sex Body Assault Crime

2004

2005



**Forgery Investigations** 42 1,800 1,431 1,600 1,330 1,259 1,147 1,200 807 800 400 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 The Forgery Section conducts follow-up investigations of all economic crime investigations that are beyond the capabilities of the Patrol Division. The section assists and advises patrol personnel in processing patrol initiated fraud arrests and investigations. The Forgery Section further coordinates investigations and acts as a liaison with businesses, banks and other law enforcement agencies.

(See Graph 42 on the previous page and 43 on this page)

The Stolen Vehicle Section conducts investigations of stolen motor vehicles and coordinates the return of recovered stolen vehicles to victims. It serves as a liaison and coordinates investigations with international, federal, state and municipal agencies, and insurance organizations. It disseminates statistical data relative to vehicle theft crime trends and patterns. Graph # 44 depicts the trend in the number of stolen vehicles and the department's recovery rate for the period 2001 through 2005.

(See Graph 44 on this page)

The Warrant Section is responsible for the execution of outstanding misdemeanor and felony arrest warrants. The section develops information on the whereabouts of suspects, and coordinates investigations with other law enforcement agencies in order to apprehend fugitives.

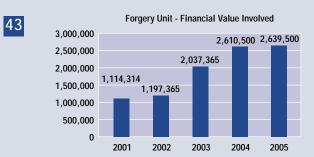
(See Graph 45 on this page)

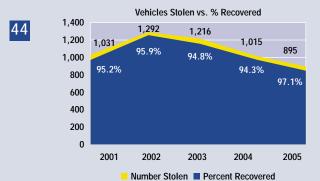
The Selective Enforcement Section is responsible for reducing selected crimes and crime patterns by utilizing pro-active enforcement strategies and tactics. This section assists and supports the Crimes Against Persons and Property Sections in conducting major investigations.

(See Graph 46 on this page)

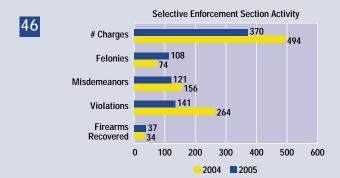
#### The Special Investigations Division

- Conducts investigations into organized crime, narcotics trafficking and vice-related activity.
- Coordinates enforcement action and develops interagency cooperation, coordination, and communication relative to metropolitan wide narcotics enforcement efforts.









The Narcotics Section is responsible for the suppression of narcotics trafficking, from street level to major criminal conspiracy activity. The section maintains and develops intelligence files relative to narcotics distribution, develops informants, executes search warrants, arrests, and initiates counteractive measures in the on going war on drugs.

#### (See Graphs 47 and 48 on this page)

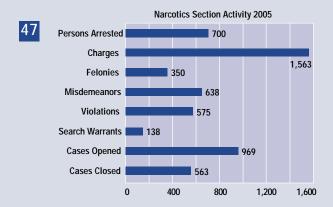
The Vice Section is responsible for the suppression of prostitution, pornography and illegal gambling from street level to the criminal conspiracy level.

#### (See Graph 49 on this page)

The Neighborhood Anti-Crime Section (NACS) is responsible for providing directed and proactive patrol in response to citizen complaints of street corner drug dealers and their customers.

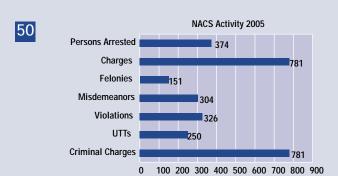
#### (See Graph 50 on this page)

The Technical Operations Section is responsible for the maintenance, operation and deployment of electronic surveillance equipment. This section provides technical information gathering support to various departmental units. It investigates processes and tracks narcotic forfeiture cases. The Technical Operations Section identifies and tracks transient narcotics dealers and larger multi-jurisdictional narcotic organizations as well as groups operating in our area. Members act as a liaison with other local, state and federal law enforcement agencies. The section also provides protective escort operations for resident and visiting dignitaries.









Technical Operations 2005	
Audio-video Operations	150
Photographic Operations	64
Forfeiture Operations	
Federal Currency & Vehicle Cases	26
Cash Amount	\$1,852,676
State & Local Currency & Vehicle	207
Cash Amount	\$345,312
Protective Escort Operations	
Escort Details	6
Advance Operations	1
Intelligence Operations	
Operations & Projects	18

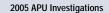
#### The Family Services Division

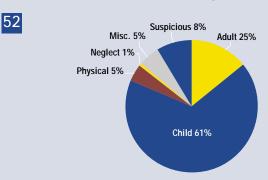
- Initiates and conducts follow-up investigations regarding youth and family related matters.
- Conducts follow-up investigations on all felony level, sex-related offenses.
- Oversees the operations of the Youth Enforcement Section; Domestic Violence Section; Missing Persons; Abused Persons.

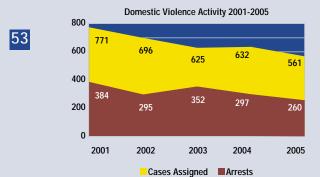
The Abused Persons Unit is responsible for investigating sex offenses, including child pornography, all felony, physical child abuse and neglect incidents, and to identify and apprehend offenders. The unit works closely with Onondaga Child Protective Services, Rape Crisis, Department of Probation; and New York State Parole. In the fall of 2005 a new program was created which gives officers the ability to access updated information on registered sex offenders from the computer in their patrol vehicles.

(See Graphs 51 and 52 on this page)











The Domestic Violence Unit is dedicated exclusively to victims of domestic violence. The unit conducts follow-up investigations on domestic violence incidents that fall outside the investigative role of the Patrol Division.

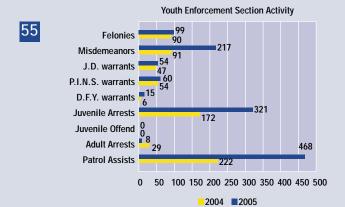
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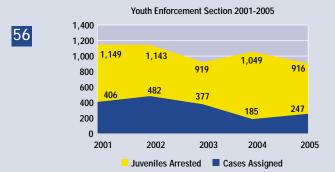
The Youth Enforcement Section has primary responsibility for investigation of crimes perpetrated by juveniles. The section plans and implements programs designed to prevent delinquency in matters such as substance abuse and victimization, and drug abuse resistance education programs. The section is responsible for the diversion of offenders by making referrals to appropriate agencies, acts as a liaison with other youth service providers and other agencies concerned with the problems and needs of youth. It maintains juvenile records and reports, and coordinates juvenile operations with other divisions within the department. This section assists other departmental units with Family Court, Social Services referrals and crime prevention activities. In 2005 the new Juvenile Arrest Diversion Program was launched as the result of a grant sponsored by DCJS. This program is an alternative to arrest and targets youths between the ages of seven and fifteen years, who commit a misdemeanor. If all criteria are met, the youth enters an intense supervision program for approximately sixty days. If the youth successfully completes the program, no arrest is made.

(See Graphs 55 and 56 on this page)

The Missing Persons Unit is responsible for conducting investigations of missing persons.

(See Graphs 57 and 58 on this page)









## Report On Community Services Bureau Operations:

The Community Services Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief of Police Frank Fowler who is responsible for providing community based services to the public. These services include recruitment, community relations; team oriented policing, ordinance and license enforcement, nuisance abatement, neighborhood watch, storefront operations, school resource and information officers, and D.A.R.E. The Bureau is comprised of the following Divisions and Sections.

#### The Community Policing Division

- Implements and advances community policing principles, strategies and operations.
- Coordinates community policing with all components of the Department.
- Oversees the operations of the Team Oriented Policing, Ordinance Enforcement & License, Storefront and Neighborhood Watch Sections.

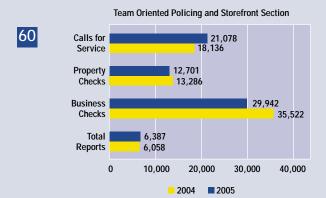
The Team Oriented Policing and Storefront Sections (TOPS) are a key element in the Community Policing approach utilized by the Syracuse Police Department. There are four TOPS units that are located in Eastwood, Butternut Square, Valley Plaza and Geddes Plaza. Teams of officers are deployed from mobile bases of operation set up in specifically targeted neighborhoods. The Storefront Section utilizes three storefront policing centers situated for convenient access to the public in the North and East sides of the city. Personnel answer complaints, develop working relationships with area residents and business owners, and strive to solve underlying problems in neighborhoods.

(See Graphs 59, 60, and 61 on this page)



Frank Fowler
Deputy Chief of Police







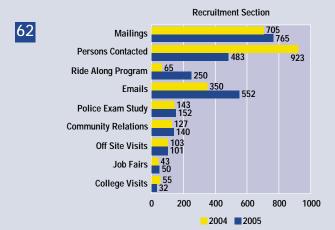
The Ordinance Enforcement & License Section inspects, enforces and processes violations of city licenses and ordinances. Enforcement efforts are coordinated with departmental units, and other city departments such as Animal Control, Codes and Zoning, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation to achieve compliance and eradicate conditions of physical decay in neighborhoods.

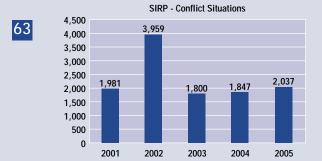
#### Ordinance Enforcement Activity 2005

Total Complaints	1,709
Abandoned Vehicle Complaints	1,019
Red Tag Vehicle Tows	829
Trash & Debris	80
Salvage Certificates	1,334
Vehicle Releases	176
Tows	468
Snow Complaints	268
Miscellaneous Complaints	690
Red Tags Issued	3,636
Parking Tickets	131
Assists to Other Departments	416
School Crossings	11

The Neighborhood Watch Section serves as a department liaison with 97 Neighborhood Watch Groups situated throughout the City of Syracuse. The Section also assists in the development of additional groups. Crime prevention education is conducted through routinely scheduled meetings where groups are established. The section acts as a liaison with other departments toward solving complaints and community problems. Neighborhood Watch Section Activity 2005 is as follows:

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Active Neighborhood Watch Groups	77
New Neighborhood Watch Groups Formed	9
Total Meetings, Special Events and Gatherings	343
Newsletter Publications	4
Major Special Events	4
Spring Members Meeting/March	1
Halloween Safety/October	1
Fall Members meeting/November	1
Light up the Night Picnic/June	1
Major Programs Administered	4
Watchlink Program	1
Neighborhood Watch Cellular Telephone	1
Vehicle Anti-Theft Program	1
New Database Information Gathering System	n 1







The Recruitment Section is responsible for recruiting the most qualified applicants available for actual and anticipated vacancies within the department. Recruitment personnel strive to develop and maintain a racial and ethnic composition within the department that mirrors the demographic composition of the City of Syracuse.

#### (See Graph 62 on the previous page)

The Community Relations Section is responsible for educating the public in the area of crime prevention for home, business security and personal safety. The section also provides specifically tailored educational programs to senior citizens and youth. The section seeks to enhance interaction and establish long term relationships between the police, individuals and groups, in order to solve community problems.

Safety Speaking Engagements	60
Business Security Seminars	10
Home Security Seminars	10
TRAID/SALT meetings	6
Child Safety Seminars	5

The School Information Resource Section is a contingent of detectives who are permanently assigned to the City of Syracuse School District. Detectives are responsible for handling all police matters within the school, and to interact with students and teachers and to provide advice when requested. They make class presentations on a variety of subjects, conduct physical plant security checks, and work with various school groups and clubs.

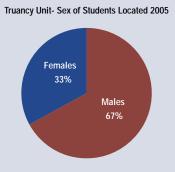
#### (See Graphs 63 and 64 on the previous page)

The Truancy Outreach Unit is responsible for locating students truant from school. The unit works with the City of Syracuse School District toward achieving the safe return of truant students to parents or guardians, or their respective school for appropriate corrective action. The unit coordinates its activity with educators, counselors, school staff, program volunteers and parents. The goals of the program are to:

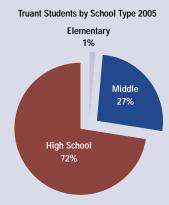
- Reduce the risk of victimization of youths.
- Encourage the continuance of education.
- Return students to the education environment.
- Assists education officials by providing appropriate counseling or corrective action.

(See Graphs 65 and 66 on this page)









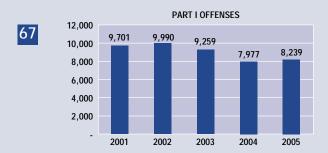
The Drug Abuse Resistance Education Section is responsible for administering and conducting Project D.A.R.E. lesson plans in the City of Syracuse School District, making presentations to various community and business groups, administering the Mini-Police Academy for youth, and Officer Friendly programs; Stranger Danger, Good-Touch/Bad Touch, and Bicycle Safety.

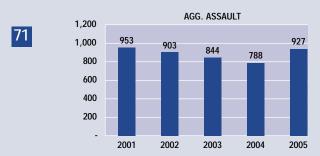
D.A.R.E.	2004	2005
Drug Abuse Resistance Education		
Students Educated	1,734	1,803
Students Visited	20,000	18,030
Officer Friendly	2004	2005
Classroom Presentations	398	324
Student Contacts	6,701	7,327

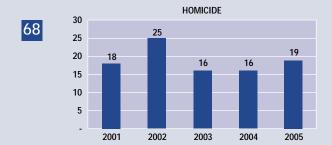
The Gang Related Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) program was introduced in Syracuse during 2003. The officers assigned to D.A.R.E teach the curriculum. This federally funded program gives students accurate facts about gang involvement. During thirteen weeks of instruction, it teaches skills needed to peacefully resolve conflicts and overcome the stresses that may lead to gang involvement.

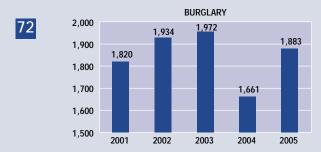
G.R.E.A.T	2004	2005
Students Educated	2,297	1,978
Students Visited	18,610	21,846

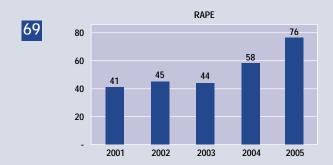
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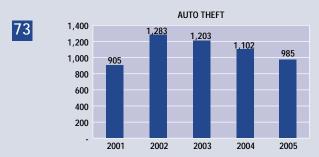


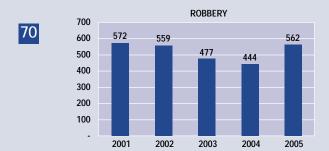














### Awards, Retirements and Deaths

#### Departmental Awards 2005

Hendrick's Award
Detective Daniel Babbage
Police Officer Edward Falkowski
Police Officer Michael Goudy
Detective Thomas Murfitt
Detective Douglas Norkett
Police Officer Charles Quick

Post-Standard Medal
Detective David Buske

John C. Dillon Award
Police Officer Sean Ryan

Jerome P. Slater Award
Police Officer Susan Izzo

Chief's Achievement Award
Police Officer Nelson Aquino
Police Officer Raul Santana

Mayor's Achievement Award Police Officer Derek McGork

Wallie Howard Jr. Award
Detective John Haskell

Meritorious Service Medal Sergeant Don Hilton Detective Michael Kweik

Distinguished Service Award
Detective Scott Clarke
Police Officer Marcellus Roundtree

PBA President's Award Detective John Nolan

PBA Merit and Valor Award
Detective David Armstrong
Police Officer Thomas Hahn
Police Officer Daniel Jones
Police Officer Fred Lamberton
Police Officer Shawn Prue

#### Promotions 2005

To Chief of Police
First Deputy Chief of Police
Gary Miguel

To First Deputy Chief
Deputy Chief Michael Heenan

To Deputy Chief
Captain David Barrette
Sergeant Frank Fowler

To the Rank of Captain
Lieutenant Judy Culeton
Lieutenant Thomas Serrao

To the Rank of Lieutenant Sergeant Steven Baratta Sergeant Steven Lynch

To the Rank of Sergeant
Police Officer Kevin Blair
Police Officer David Burgess
Police Officer John Kavanagh
Police Officer Steven LaRue
Police Officer Dennis Murphy
Police Officer Anthony Sobiech

#### Departmental Retirements 2005

Police Chief Steven Thompson February 12, 1972 – April 2, 2005

Deputy Chief William Hanna August 2, 1974 – May 25, 2005

Lieutenant Patrick Callahan February 13, 1985 – May 1, 2005

Sergeant John Burns February 22, 1973 – October 19, 2005

Sergeant Geoffrey Ciereck August 1, 1977 – March 19, 2005

Detective Robert "Ace" Murray April 20, 1966 – December 31, 2005

Detective Peter O'Brien August 18, 1975 – August 19, 2005

Police Officer Rita Hall September 16, 1985 – May 5, 2005

Police Officer Barbara Kilian February 13, 1985 – February 19, 2005 Police Officer Pierre Patnode September 16, 1985 – September 17, 2005

Police Officer Thomas Santmyer February 13, 1985 – February 14, 2005

Police Officer Paul Serbun June 4, 1973 – July 10, 2005

Police Officer Vernon Thompson February 13, 1985 – February 17, 2005

Police Officer Steven Williams August 10, 1981 – March 20, 2005

#### Retirees' Deaths 2005

Investigator James "Hooper" Diamond, 73 yrs., died February 12, 2005 served 1956-1977

Police Officer David Taylor, 68 yrs., died February 17, 2005, served 1963-1997

Sergeant Francis Harvey, 74 yrs., died March 21, 2005, served 1955-1984

Captain Donald F. "Knobby" Sheridan, 91 yrs., died April 20, 2005, 1942-1972

Sergeant Thomas Hurley Sr., 80 yrs., died April 20, 2005, served 1945-1980

Sergeant James J. "Moe" Driscoll Sr., 80 yrs., died April 24, 2005, served 1947-1980

Police Officer Donald Clark, 76 yrs., died June 16, 2005, served 1963-1987

Investigator John A. "Coach" Mahar, 76 yrs., died November 6, 2005, served 1955-1979

Policewoman Agnes M. Harrington, 85 yrs., died November 7, 2005, served 1952-1976

Deputy Chief Samuel A. Nappi, 89 yrs., died December 5, 2005, served 1942-1970



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