

# SYRACUSE POLICE DEPARTMENT 2006 ANNUAL REPORT



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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DEPARTMENT OF POLICE  
Matthew J. Driscoll, Mayor

April 1, 2007

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 2006-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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary Miguel". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Gary Miguel  
Chief of Police

# Evaluation of 2006 Goals and Objectives

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## *Reduce violent crime associated with street gangs:*

Identify gang involvement, concentrate police resources on tracking gang activities and inform gang members of the community's resolve to eliminate their violent activities.

**Accomplished:** During 2006 the Gang Violence Task Force continued work on the Elk Block Gang RICO investigation. Sixteen of the gangs' members were arrested in 2005. Eleven of the members have taken plea bargains and the remaining five are currently in federal court. During 2006 a RICO investigation was launched into the activities of the Brighton Brigade Gang. Fourteen gang members were arrested in August 2006. The investigation continues to move forward with debriefings and court proceedings.

Crime analysis statistics have shown a decrease in the number of "shots fired" calls over the two year period from 2005 to 2006. The total number of shots fired calls reported during 2005 was 377. That number decreased to 230 during 2006.

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## *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.**

- Enable citizens to view, via website, how their initial complaint was routed for police action, as well as how and when the issue was resolved.

**Ongoing:** The Syracuse Police Department established a group of individuals to identify the overall needs of the police department and community. Several software packages were identified and evaluated over the course of the year, however, none of these were able to meet the needs of both groups. The Syracuse Police Department is committed to completing this project and the search for a system continues.

**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.

**Accomplished:** The Syracuse Police Department and the Onondaga County Sheriffs' Office joined forces to implement the use of CNYLEADS in law enforcement agencies across Onondaga County. CNYLEADS is a web-based system that allows officers to complete electronic police reports and share the information on those reports across jurisdictional lines in near real time. Efforts in 2006 to accomplish this task were very successful. In late 2005, The Syracuse Police Department was the only agency utilizing the system. Currently there are 18 agencies that contribute to CNYLEADS. There are approximately 440,000 police records available to all participants and that number is growing rapidly every day. As a result of the increased information sharing taking place, law enforcement officers are in a better position to fight crime, thus making the City of Syracuse and communities across Onondaga County safer.

**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.

**Accomplished:** The Planning & Research Division assisted the Traffic Division with the implementation of the TRACS (Traffic and Criminal Software) accident reporting and ticket issuing system. Phase 1 took place during the summer of 2006 and involved training the Patrol Division in the issuing of Uniform Traffic Tickets using this software. TRACS equipment is installed in 80 departmental vehicles. The Traffic Division is currently utilizing TRACS for issuing tickets and completing motor vehicle accident reports. Phase 2 is scheduled to occur in 2007 and will involve training the Patrol Division in the completion of motor vehicle accident reports within the system.

As of December 31, 2006, 15,741 UTT's had been issued and 1,470 accident reports were completed by the Syracuse Police Department using TRACS.

# Evaluation of 2006 Goals and Objectives

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

**Accomplished:** The Syracuse Police Department was successful in purchasing a software application called Power DMS. This software will allow the department to distribute orders electronically, in addition to providing on-line training and survey capabilities. Members will log into an account, view and electronically sign each policy update or complete an on-line test. All signatures and activity can be tracked within the software. This will eliminate the time spent archiving policy changes using our current procedure, reduce the amount of paper used and eliminate the man hours spent distributing hard copies of policy changes.

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

- Eliminate the exorbitant amount of overtime paid out for 24 hour per day coverage of our teletype operations by merging the department's teletype operations with the teletype operations of the Onondaga County Sheriff's Department, with the site being located at the "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 increasing staff in the Planning Division. Hire additional staff to support the Crime Analysis function, and utilize outside contracts for the maintenance of wired and wireless networking as well as computer repair and support.

**Accomplished:** The feasibility of merging the department's teletype operations with that of the Onondaga County Sheriff's, with the site being located at the 911 Center was explored. It was determined that supplying the needed personnel to the county for such a move would be cost prohibitive. The State of New York is in the planning stages of creating a new informational system based on an e-mail type format to be implemented in 2008. These developments eliminated the need for such a move at this time. To help reduce the exorbitant amount of overtime paid out for 24 hour per day coverage of teletype operations, additional civilian staff was trained to reduce the expense of requiring a police officer to perform these functions. The Records Division was reconfigured to allow a single person to perform several tasks thereby reducing the need for additional manpower.

As technology for the Syracuse Police Department continued to grow and move forward, work assignments within the Planning Division were restructured to better accommodate an increased workflow. Additional personnel from outside contracts were utilized to keep a steady pace in maintaining our expanding network. The Crime Analysis Unit was restructured with the addition of a Community Service Officer position and the creation of a Crime Analyst position. The ground work was laid for future expansion of the Crime Analysis Unit to take place in 2007.

## Syracuse Police and Fire Department Door Locks Project

In 2006 the Syracuse Police Department, in conjunction with the Syracuse Fire Department, started a door lock project which provides secure electronic proximity card readers at police and fire facilities through out the city. The intent of this project was not only to boost security at police and fire facilities, but to develop a system that could be implemented city wide, allowing police officers and firefighters to have 24 hour access to all necessary city buildings during emergencies. These buildings include the Public Safety Building, Patrol East complex and twelve fire houses.

A basic architecture was developed using a "virtual private network" as a means to connect the fire houses to the Public Safety Building. This network allows the access card control panels located at each fire house to update, as changes occur, with the door lock server located at the Public Safety Building.

The door lock project was funded through a Homeland Security grant which was awarded to the City of Syracuse Police and Fire Departments. The Police Department was the lead agency on this project; coordinating and implementing all aspects of the setup, purchase and installation of required equipment and software. As a part of this project, a security camera system was developed and implemented at the Public Safety Building. Further development and expansion of both the door lock and security camera systems are slated to continue in 2007 and will include the City Water Department and Syracuse City Schools.





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*Accomplish the Mission of the Syracuse police department by enhancing strategies that have been developed and implemented over the past several years:*

- Carry on collaboration with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies in programs such as Operation Impact and the Gang Task Force.
- Continue involvement with community groups and social service agencies in an effort to address issues that lead to conditions which tend to de-stabilize neighborhoods and lead to gang activity and gun violence.
- Continue the enhancement of Community Policing initiatives thereby enabling the department to address quality of life issues that have a powerful negative effect on city neighborhoods.
  - Develop a method to track citizens' complaints made through all of the City's Community Groups. Enable citizens to view, via website, how their initial complaint was routed for police action, as well as how and when the issue was resolved. The search for suitable software which meets the needs of the police department and Syracuse's community groups will continue.
- Increase department staffing in order to make the Crime Reduction Team a permanent division within the police department while, at the same time, continuing to accommodate the calls for police service.

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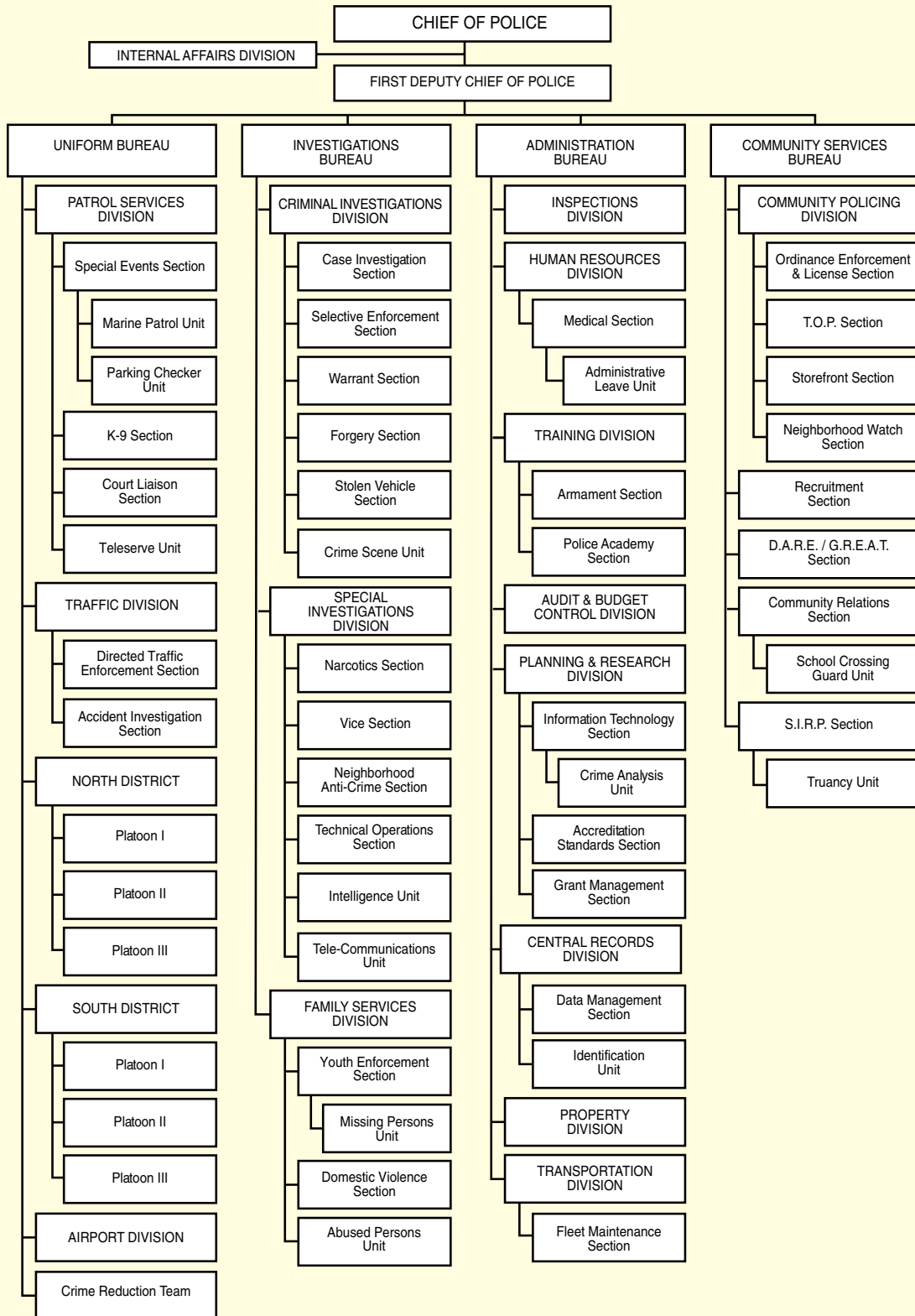
*Improve the efficiency of the department through the enhancement of current partnerships and the development of interoperability between City of Syracuse departments:*

- Expand the existing infrastructure of the CNYLEADS system which will improve our ability to collect, analyze and distribute criminal intelligence in a timely manner.
  - Partner with Syracuse University to establish additional wireless "hot-spots" on the University's campus; enabling Syracuse Police vehicles to remotely access and utilize CNYLEADS information and functionality.
  - Establish nine additional "hot spots" within the City of Syracuse utilizing existing infrastructure on Syracuse City School District and Syracuse Fire Department facilities.
- Implement the Emergency Services Educational Interoperability Program which will assist in building partnerships between the City Police Department, Syracuse City School District and City Fire Department
  - Complete the fiber link between the Syracuse Police Department and the Syracuse City School District that will act as a "back bone" to share resources and information between personnel at increased speeds and volume.
  - Expand the department's current security camera system to incorporate live video from within City Schools. This will increase safety and security within the schools by enabling officers to access live footage during emergency situations, from viewing stations at police headquarters. The department will lower maintenance costs and share resources as we are implementing and servicing compatible systems.
  - Complete the Syracuse Fire / Police Department shared door lock project. At the completion of this project the Police and Fire Departments will make use of the same electronic security door lock system. The system will enable shared access to all Fire Department sub-stations and Police Department facilities in emergency situations and strengthen security of critical infrastructure.



# 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.*



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*The City of Syracuse covers a land area of 25.8 square miles and has a population of approximately 141,683. The Mayor-Council Style Government governs the city. As of December 31, 2006 there were 485 sworn officers and 118 civilian personnel employed by the Police Department, with an operating budget of approximately \$39,413,192.*

## 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.*



Gary Miguel  
Chief of Police

## 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.

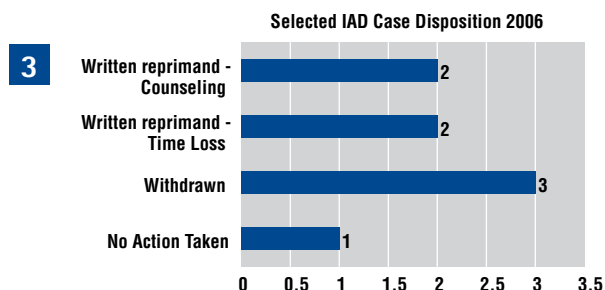
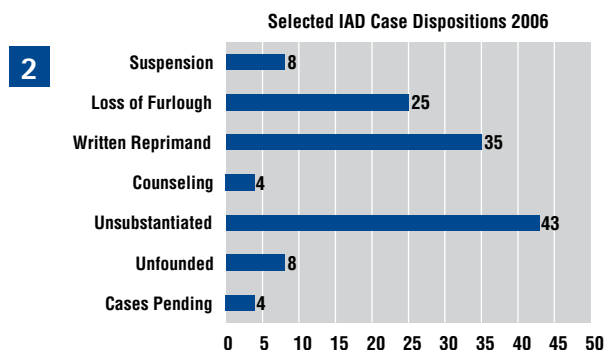
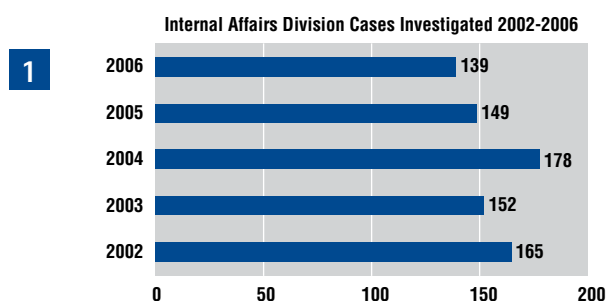
The **Administrative Staff** of the Office of the Chief of Police acts as a liaison between the Chief of Police, 1<sup>st</sup> Deputy Chief, and Bureau Chiefs. The staff handles internal and external communications directed to the Office, and represents the Office of the Chief of Police in matters as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

See charts 1 through 3



# 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

See charts 4 and 5

## Medical Section

- Maintains and validates employee records of attendance; furlough, sick, injured, military, administration.
- Monitors medical leave procedures and administers time accumulated and/or used by all employees.
- Prepares reports for the New York State Police and Firemen's retirement system and Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

See chart 6

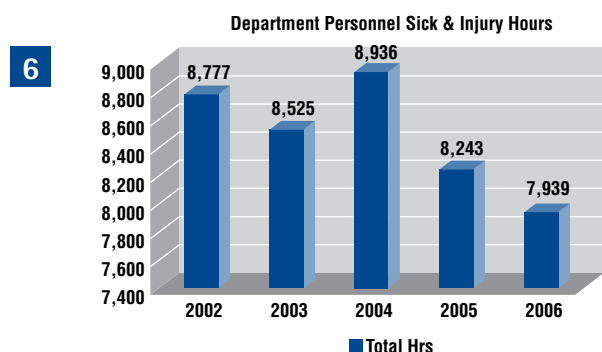
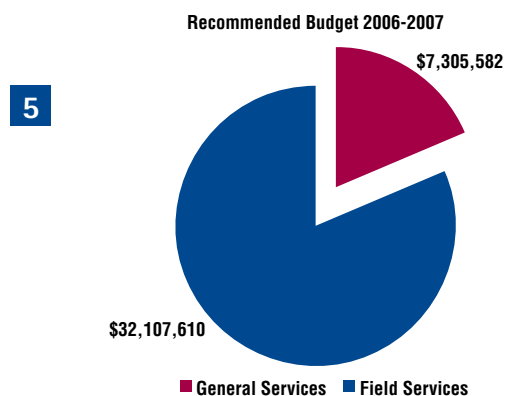
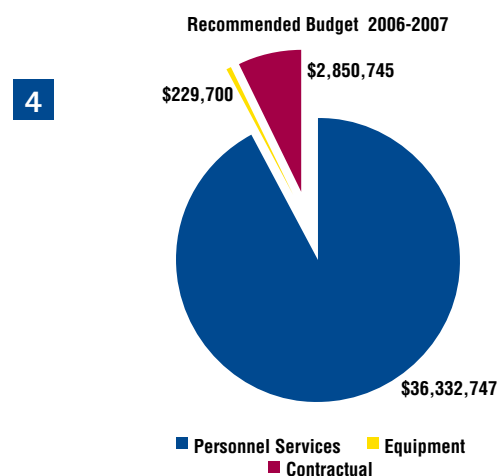
## The Human Resources Division

- 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.

See charts 7 through 10



**Michael Heenan**  
*First Deputy  
Chief of Police*



# Administration Bureau Operations:

## The Training Division

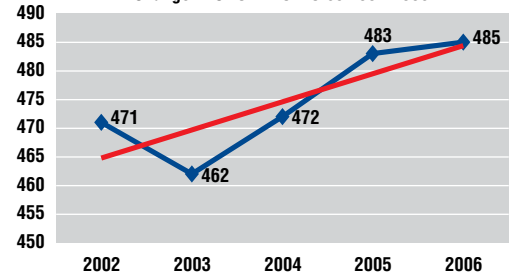
- Coordinates and administers departmental training programs.
- Administers training to peace and police officers from outside agencies.
- Plans and develops departmental training standards and programs.
- Monitors training methods and identifies training needs necessary for adherence to state and federal 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.



<i>Training Division Activity</i>	<i>2004</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2006</i>
Police Academy Classes	1	1	1
Total Officers Certified	16	30	26
Outside Agencies Attending	0	4	4
University Security Officers	10	15	9
Community Service Officers	4	4	0
<i>In-Service Training Sessions</i>			
Total Officers Trained	560	584	479
Outside Agencies Attending	4	3	4
Police Officers	460	471	276
Training Topics Instructed	12	9	7
Supervisors	100	91	71
Training Topics Instructed	12	9	5
Command Officers	35	30	31
Training Topics Instructed	5	8	7
SPD Fitness (PEB) Participation	80%	83%	75.6%
<i>Certified Course Instruction</i>			
NYS BMP OPS	4	5	7
Refresher	2	2	1
Seminars	1	2	7
Specialized Training	8	9	7
Outside Agencies Attending	15	4	4
Total Officers Trained	300	298	223

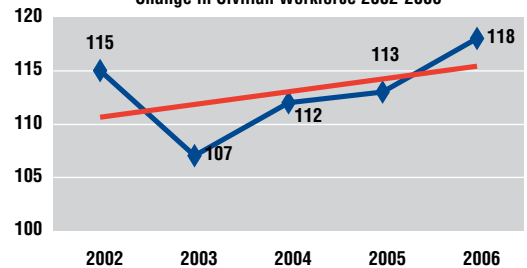
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Composition of Departmental Employees  
Change in Sworn Workforce 2002-2006



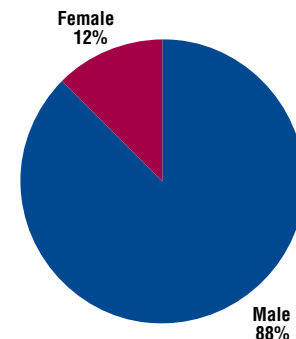
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Composition of Departmental Employees  
Change in Civilian Workforce 2002-2006



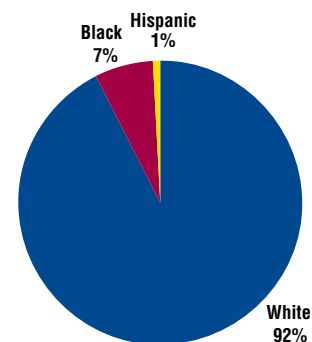
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Sworn Personnel by Gender 2006



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Sworn Personnel by Race & Ethnicity 2006



## The Inspections Division

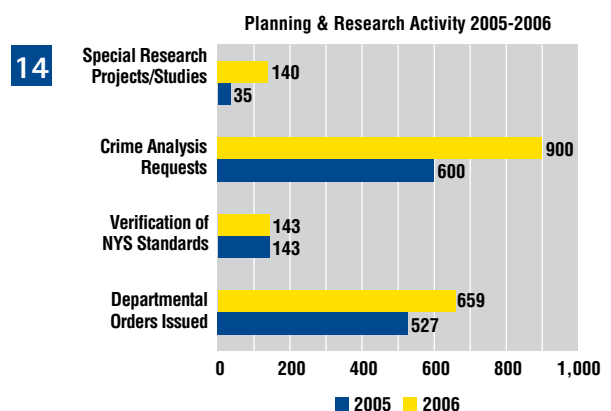
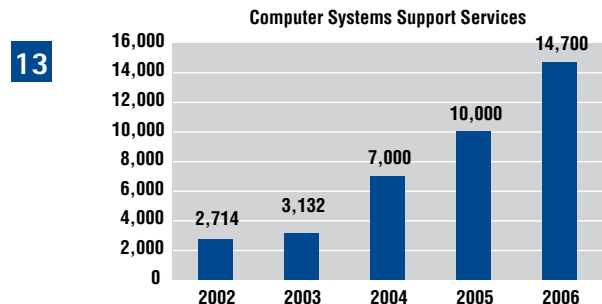
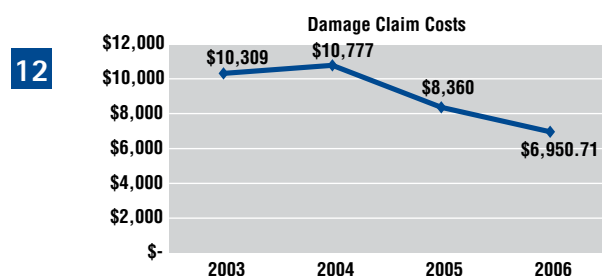
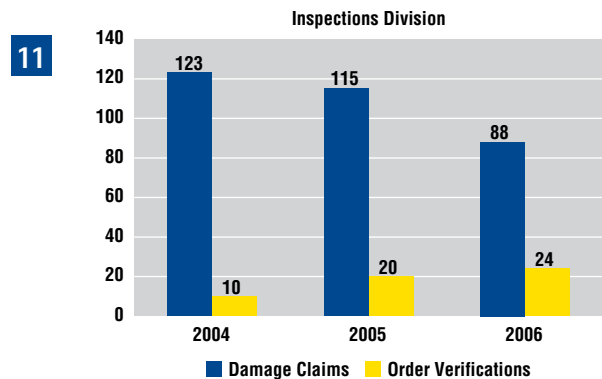
- Conducts staff and line inspections.
- Evaluates efficiency, effectiveness, and quality of departmental operations and systems.
- Evaluates compliance of goals and directives, and the essentiality of resources, facilities, vehicles, equipment, records, and personnel.
- Ensures that departmental policies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

See charts 11 and 12

## 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 2006 the Planning and Research Division implemented the door lock system at the Public Safety Building, Patrol-East complex and twelve fire houses and the security camera system at the Public Safety Building.
- Four additional wireless "hotspots" were erected in the Syracuse University area, thereby geographically increasing network connectivity for officers who work the street.

See charts 13-15



# Administration Bureau Operations:

## 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.

See charts 16-18

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.

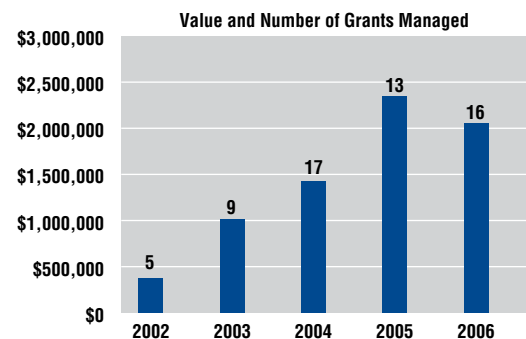
The **Data Management Section** inputs Syracuse Police Department information into CNYLEADS (Central New York Law Enforcement Analysis Database System); as well as the Countywide Criminal History Information Reporting System and generates Uniform Crime Reports and statistical requests as required.

## The Property Division

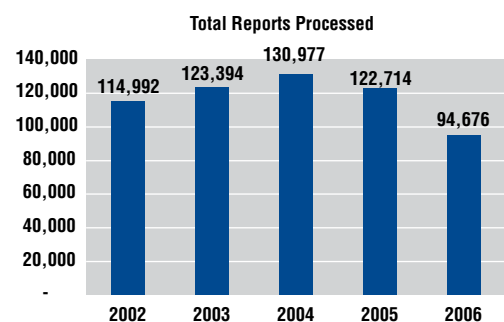
- Is responsible for the custody and disposal of physical evidence, found or recovered property, and all property held for safekeeping.
- Maintains all departmental inventory records.
- Orders and stores supplies.
- Prints departmental forms.

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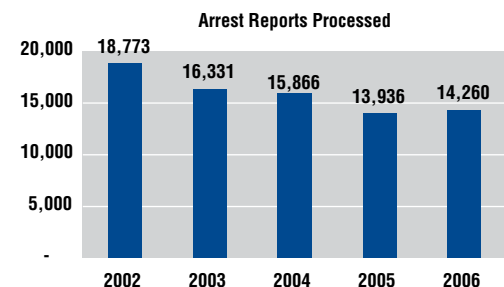
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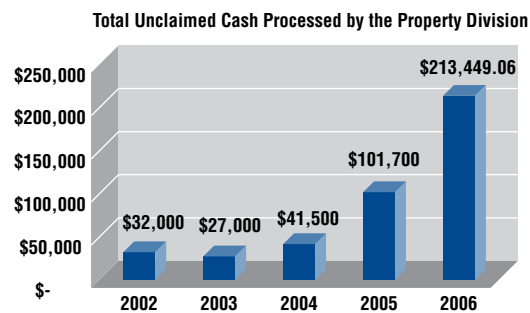


## The Transportation Division

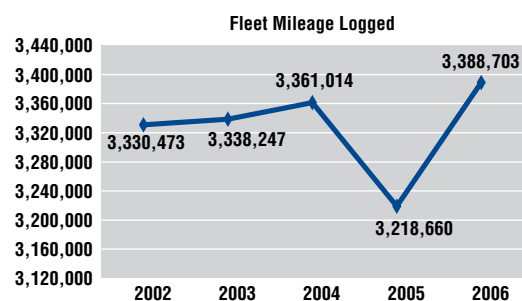
- Maintains all departmental vehicles and prepares vehicles for auction.
- Prepares specifications for the purchase of new vehicles.
- Completes vehicle repair work and maintenance on fleet vehicles.
- During 2006, 40 marked vehicles, 23 unmarked vehicles, 3 pick-up trucks and 1 van were purchased for the police department.
- 42 vehicles were taken out of service and sent to auction.
- The total number of vehicles in the police department's fleet for 2006 was 308.

See chart 20

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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 and community oriented policing operations. The Bureau is comprised of the following Divisions.*



David Barrette  
Deputy Chief of Police

## The Patrol Division

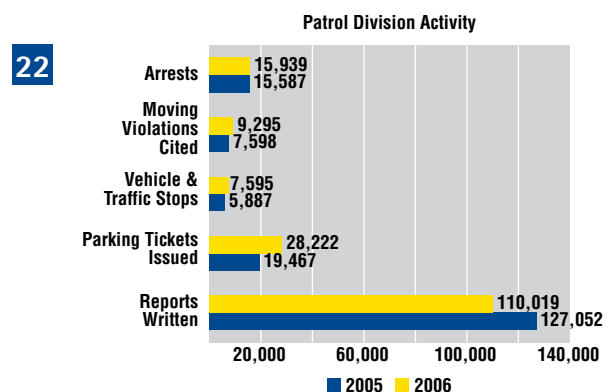
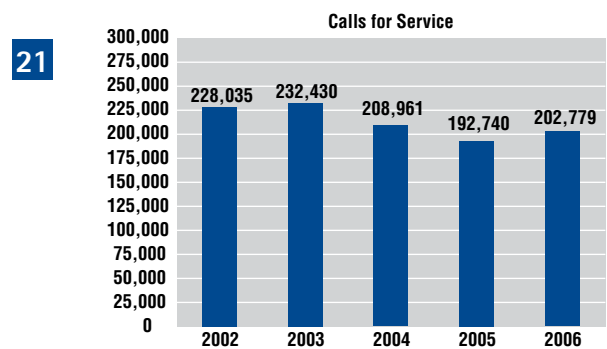
- Responds to all calls for police services.
- Conducts thorough preliminary investigation of all offenses.
- Conducts follow-up investigations in cases where responsibility is not yielded to another division or section.
- Apprehends offenders and recovers stolen property.
- Enforces laws and regulations.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

See charts 21 and 22

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.

### First Platoon Activity 2006

Felony Arrests	832.5
Misdemeanor Arrests	2,194.5
Violation Arrests	1,244.5
Appearance Tickets	519.5
Warrant Arrests	955
Vehicle & Traffic Stops	2,966
Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued	3,179
Parking Tickets Issued	13,017
Social Event Checks	58
DWI Arrests	128
Calls for Service	62,289
With Reports	11,367
Without Reports	51,930
Number of Reports	27,022
Vacant House Checks	1,282
Property Checks	16,908
Business Checks	7,935



# Uniform Bureau Operations:

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 2006

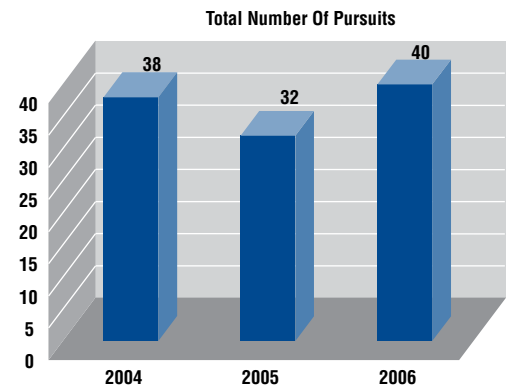
Felony Arrests	1,731
Misdemeanor Arrests	1,482
Violation Arrests	657
Appearance Tickets	320
Warrant Arrests	701
Vehicle & Traffic Stops	1,249
Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued	1,962
Parking Tickets Issued	9,252
Social Event Checks	652
DWI Arrests	20
Calls for Service	46,064
With Reports	12,236
Without Reports	34,527
Number of Reports	31,397
Vacant House Checks	252
Property Checks	6,780
Business Checks	3,586

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

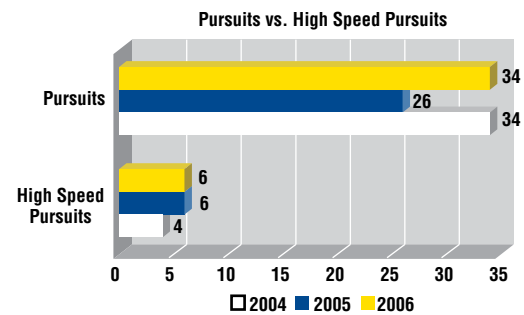
## Third Platoon Activity 2006

Felony Arrests	903.5
Misdemeanor Arrests	2,803
Violation Arrests	1,455
Appearance Tickets	919.5
Warrant Arrests	979
Vehicle & Traffic Stops	3,379.5
Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued	4,154
Parking Tickets Issued	5,953
Social Event Checks	268
DWI Arrests	80
Calls for Service	94,426
With Reports	21,344
Without Reports	72,682
Number of Reports	51,600
Vacant House Checks	495
Property Checks	5,964
Business Checks	9,065

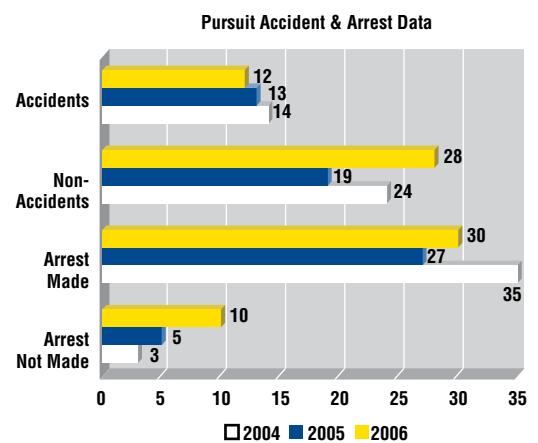
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# Uniform Bureau Operations:

## Platoon Comparisons 2006

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	35	15
Misdemeanor Arrests	46	30	48
Violation Arrests	26	13	25
Appearance Tickets Issued	11	6	16
Warrant Arrests	20	14	17
Vehicle and Traffic Stops	62	25	57
Traffic Tickets Issued	66	39	70
Parking Tickets Issued	271	185	101
DWI Arrests	3	0	1
Calls for Service	1,230	921	1,600
With Reports	237	245	362
Without Reports	1,082	691	1,232
Total Reports	563	628	875

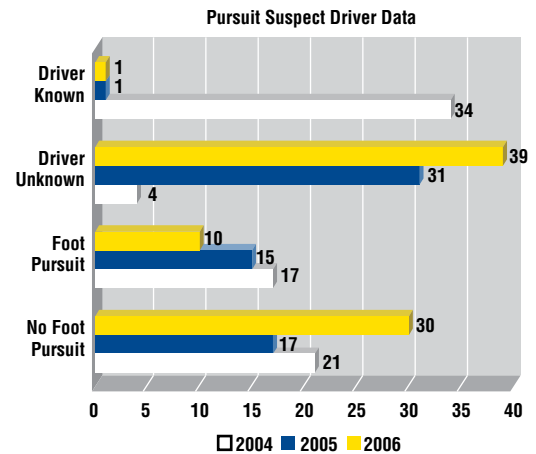
## The Patrol Services Division

- 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.

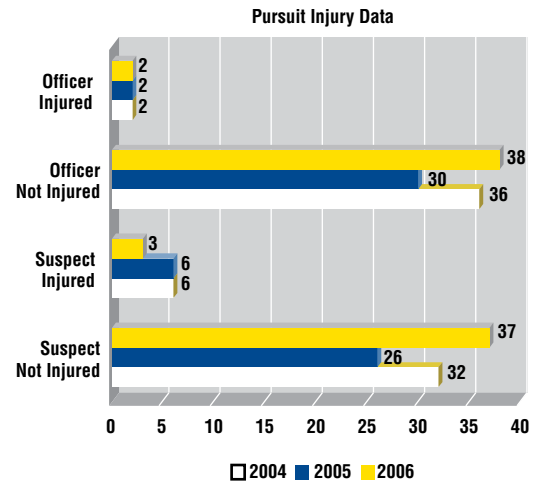
In 2006 the **Patrol Services Division** conducted an analysis of Syracuse Police Department vehicle pursuits. Forty pursuits were analyzed.

See charts 23 through 27

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# Uniform Bureau Operations:

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 2006:

Calls for Service	5,905
Felony Arrests	75
Misdemeanors	161
Violations	52
Building Searches	224
Explosive Searches	273
K-9 Tracking	31
Open Area Searches	99
Building Perimeter Checks	1,001
Stolen Property Recovered	\$43,400
Traffic Tickets Issued	383
K-9 Demonstrations	20
Attendance	480
Officer Protection	376
Drug Searches	495
Marijuana Seized	3.25 oz.
Cocaine Seized	23 lbs.
Drug Money Seized	\$14,295

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

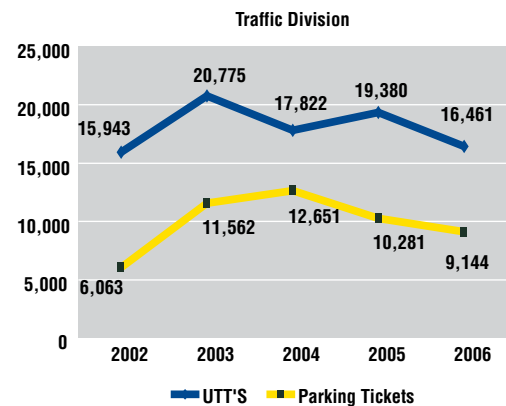
The **Special Events Section** plans and coordinates staffing and traffic control operations for numerous community events conducted in the City of Syracuse. The Section supervises the School Crossing Guard Unit that provides street-crossing safety to students (15,000) attending schools throughout the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

Major Community Events	65
Carrier Dome Events	49
Officers Assigned to Dome Events	983
Dome Attendance 2006	627,845

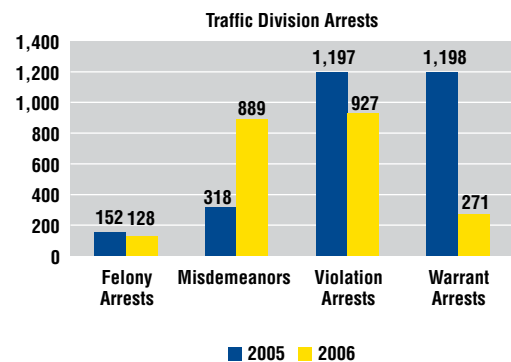
The **Tele-serve Section** handles calls from citizens that are of a non-emergency nature.

Reports Written	176
Mail Complaints	1,781
Total Calls Handled	3,813

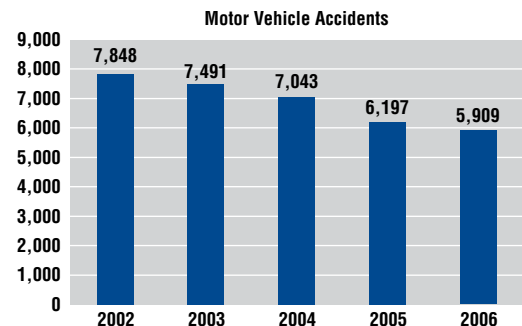
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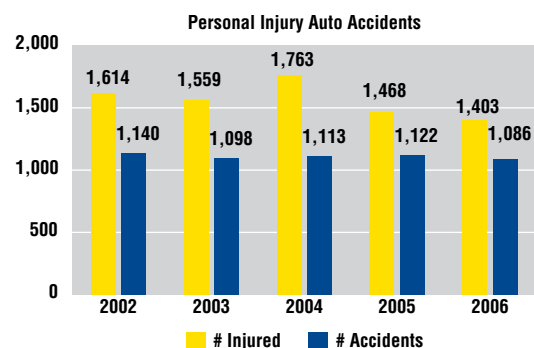
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# Uniform Bureau Operations:

The Court Liaison Section processed 3,944 subpoenas, as well as pre-trial notices, hearings and conferences to individual officers during the year 2006.

## 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.

See charts 28 and 29

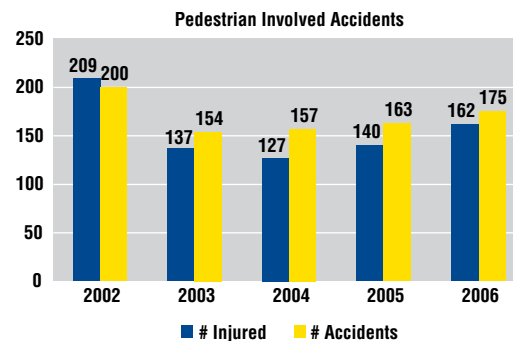
The Accident Investigation Section reviews, processes, stores and maintains motor vehicle accident reports and provides statistical and requested report information concerning motor vehicle accidents that



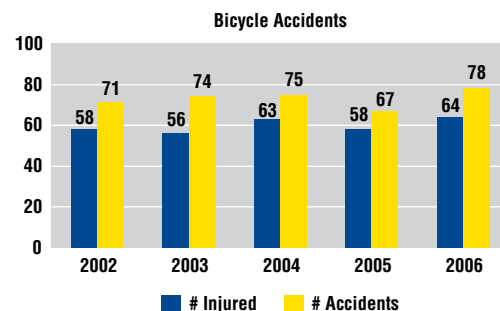
occur in the City of Syracuse. The following graphs depict various motor vehicle accident and vehicle and traffic related statistics.

See charts 30 through 36

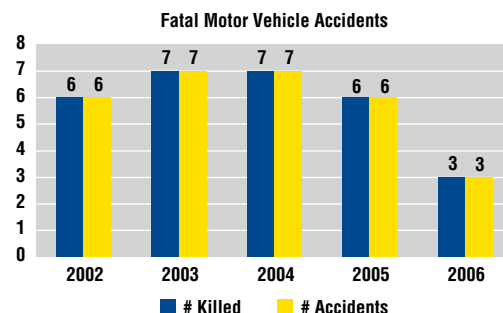
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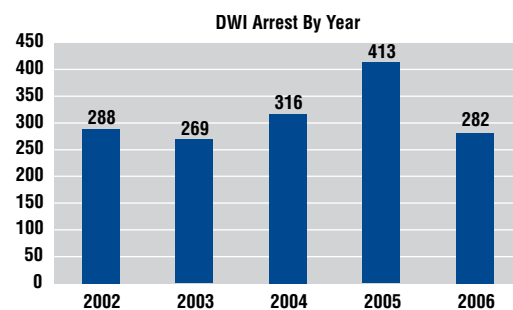
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# Uniform Bureau Operations:

## 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.
- During 2006 officers working at the Airport performed 180 pistol permit verifications.

### Syracuse Hancock International Airport Activity 2006

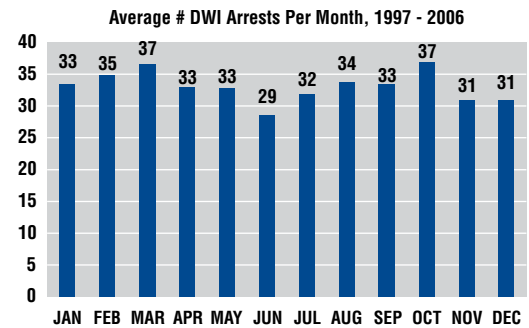
Felony Arrests	5
Misdemeanor Arrests	26
Violation Arrests	30
Vehicle & Traffic Stops	336
UTT's	224
Parking Tickets Issued	4,726
SIDA Checks	24,467
In Flight Emergencies	37
Total Calls	6,114
With Reports	611
Without Reports	5,503
Property Checks	15,979

## The Crime Reduction Team

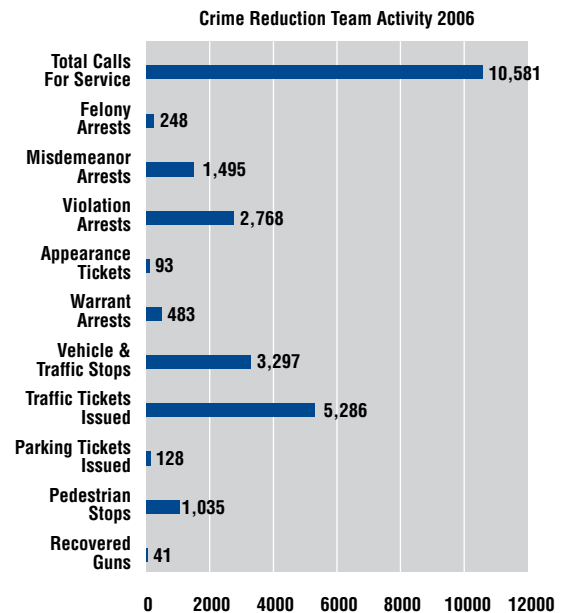
The main function of the Crime Reduction Team is to reduce crime and violence in the City of Syracuse through proactive patrol tactics and strict enforcement of City Ordinances, Penal and Vehicle & Traffic laws. The team concentrates its' activities in designated troubled neighborhoods, responds to shots fired calls and supports uniform patrol operations when necessary. The following graph depicts the statistics for the Crime Reduction Team for 2006.

See chart 37

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# Report On Investigations Bureau Operations:

*The Investigations Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief 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.*



**Michael Kerwin**  
Deputy Chief of Police

## 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.

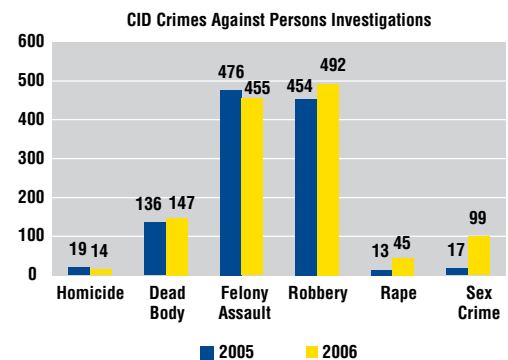
The Case Investigation Section conducts criminal investigations, primarily of felony crimes against persons such as homicide, rape, robbery, assault, and unattended deaths. The section also investigates criminal acts involving the loss of, or damage to, property such as burglary, arson, and larceny.

See charts 38 and 39

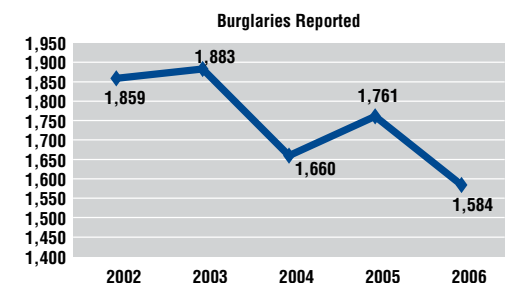
The Forgery Section conducts follow-up investigations of all economic crime investigations that are beyond the capabilities of the Patrol Division. The section assists and advises patrol personnel in processing patrol initiated fraud arrests and investigations. The Forgery Section further coordinates investigations and acts as a liaison with businesses, banks and other law enforcement agencies.

See charts 40 and 41

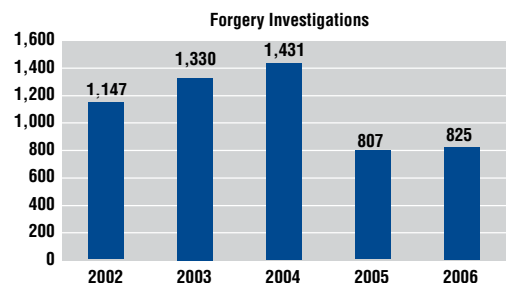
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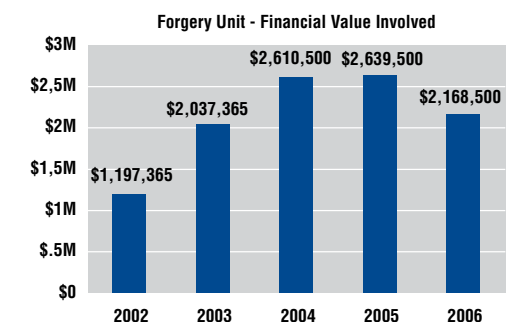
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# Investigations Bureau Operations:

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 # 42 depicts the trend in the number of stolen vehicles and the department's recovery rate for the period 2002 through 2006.

See charts 42 and 43

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 chart 44

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.

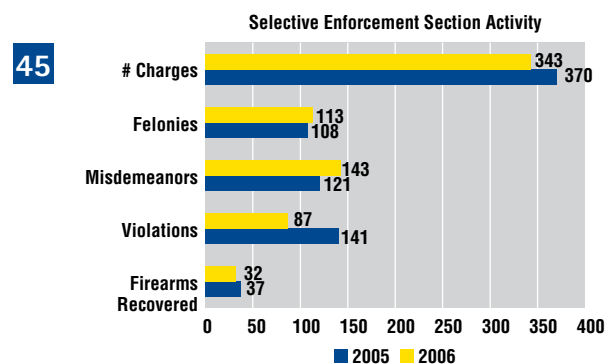
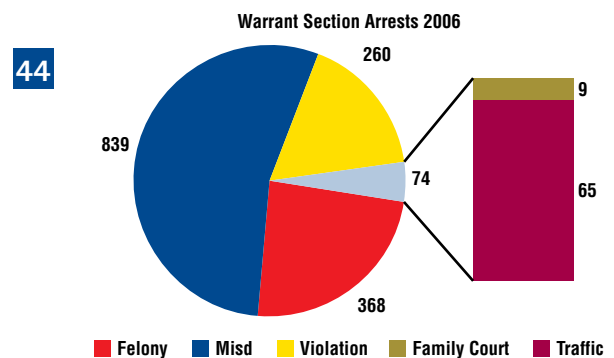
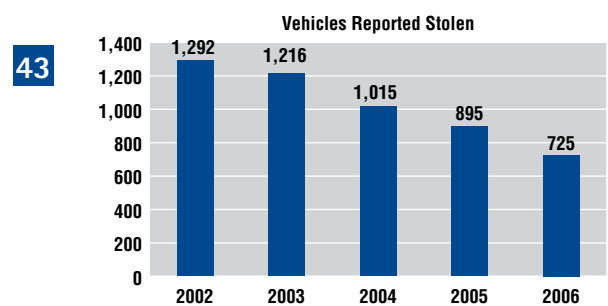
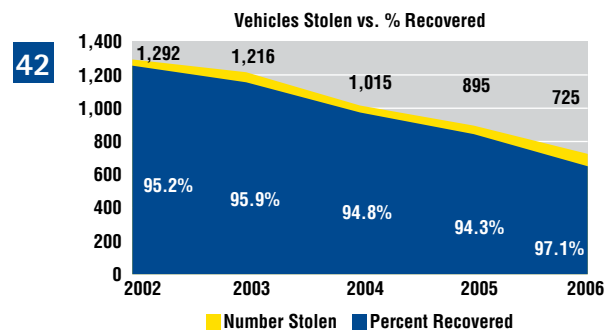
See chart 45

## The Special Investigations Division

- Conducts investigations into organized crime, narcotics trafficking and vice-related activity.
- Coordinates enforcement action and develops inter-agency 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 charts 46 and 47



# Investigations Bureau Operations:

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

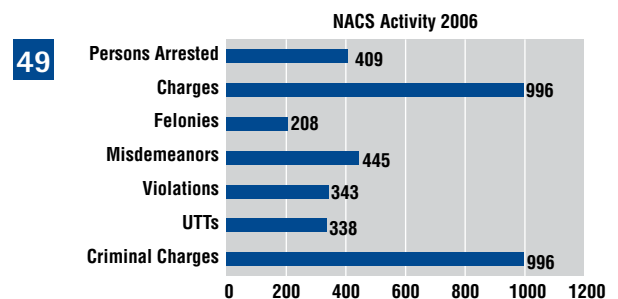
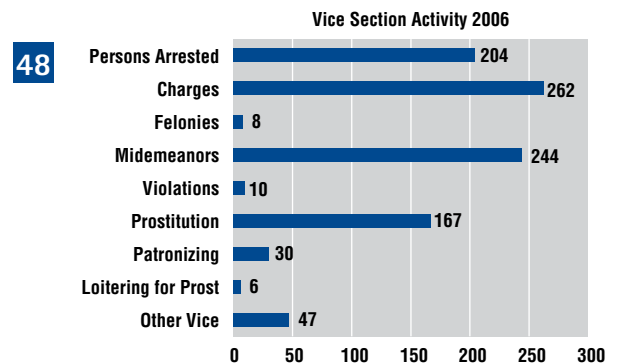
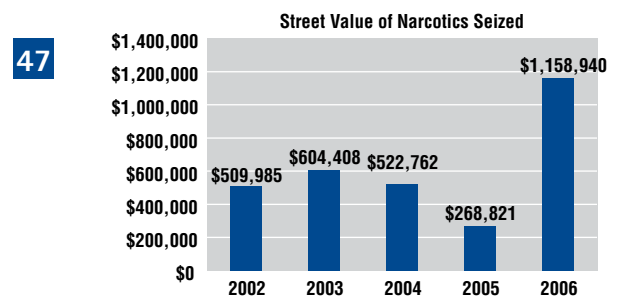
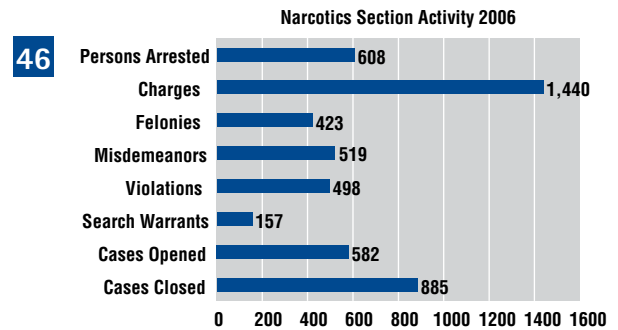
See chart 48

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 chart 49

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.

<i>Technical Operations 2006</i>	
Audio-video Operations	78
Photographic Operations	46
<i>Forfeiture Operations</i>	
Federal Currency & Vehicle Cases	28
Cash Amount	\$88,733
State & Local Currency & Vehicle	278
Cash Amount	\$204,670
<i>Protective Escort Operations</i>	
Escort Details	8
Advance Operations	6
Intelligence Operations	
Operations & Projects	3



## 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 and 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.

See charts 50 and 51

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.

See charts 52 and 53

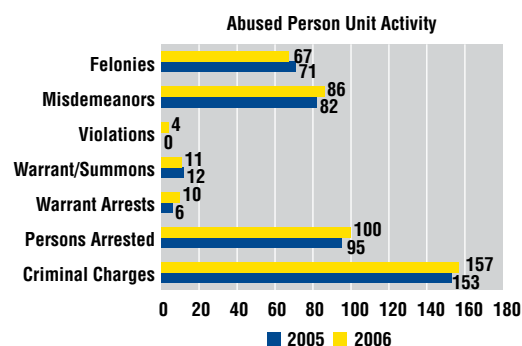
The **Youth Enforcement Section** has primary responsibility for investigation of crimes perpetrated by juveniles. The section is responsible for the diversion of offenders by making referrals to appropriate agencies, acts as a liaison with other youth service providers and other agencies concerned with 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.

See charts 54 and 55

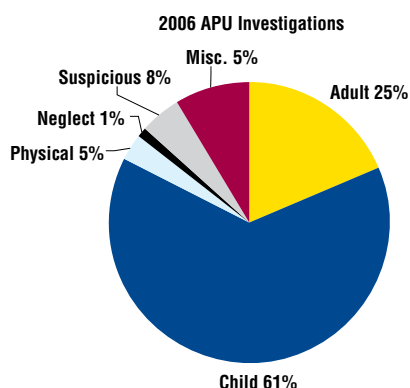
The **Missing Persons Unit** is responsible for conducting investigations of missing persons.

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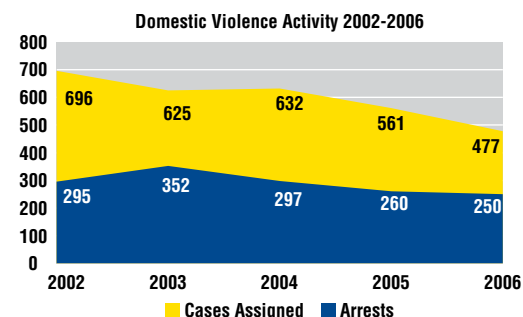
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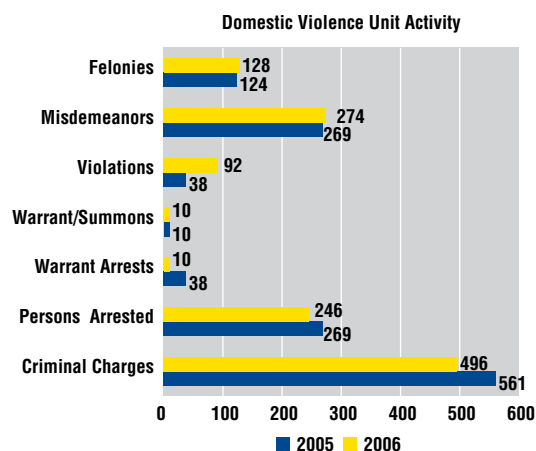
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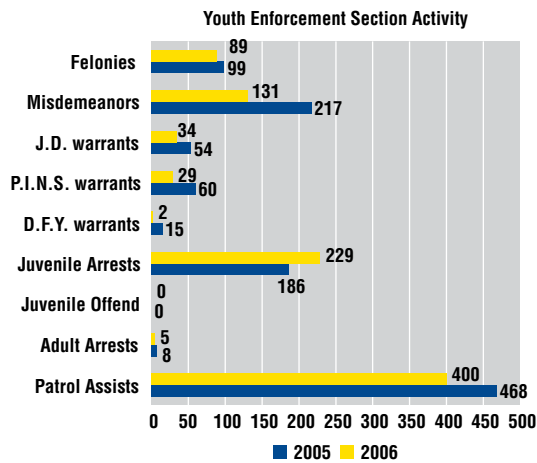


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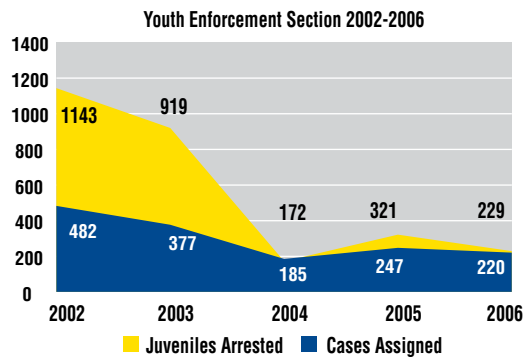


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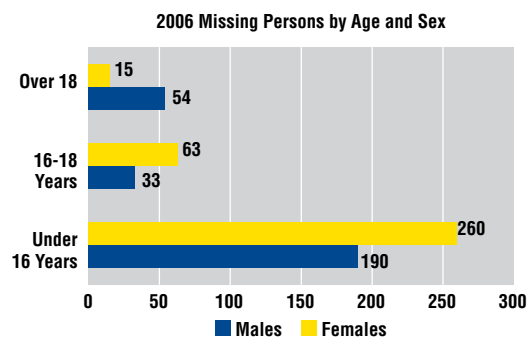
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# Report On Community Services Bureau Operations:

*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.

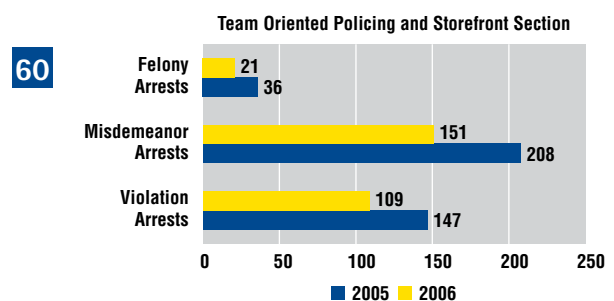
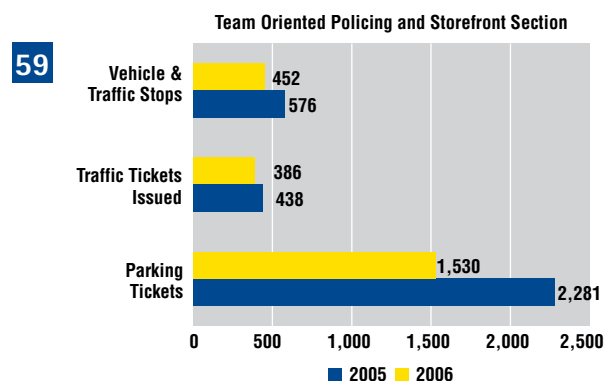
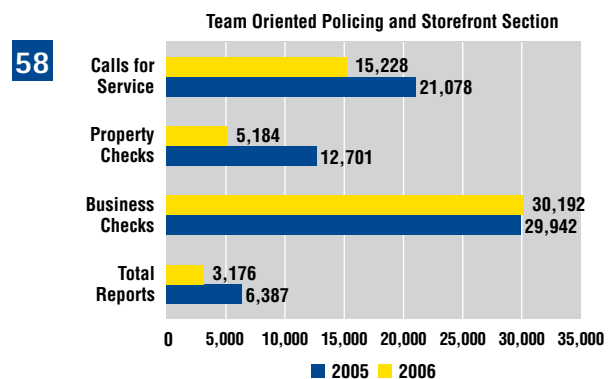
The Team Oriented Policing and Storefront Sections (TOPS) are a key element in the Community Policing approach utilized by the Syracuse Police Department. There are four TOPS units that are located in Eastwood, Butternut Square, Valley Plaza and Geddes Plaza. Teams of officers are deployed from mobile 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 charts 58, 59 and 60

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.



**Frank Fowler**  
*Deputy Chief of Police*



# Community Services Bureau Operations:

## Ordinance Enforcement Activity 2006

Total Complaints	1,592
Abandoned Vehicle Complaints	923
Red Tag Vehicle Tows	560
Trash & Debris	59
Salvage Certificates	1,191
Vehicle Releases	77
Tows	134
Snow Complaints	30
Miscellaneous Complaints	569
Red Tags Issued	2,879
Parking Tickets	29
Assists to Other Departments	405
School Crossings	23

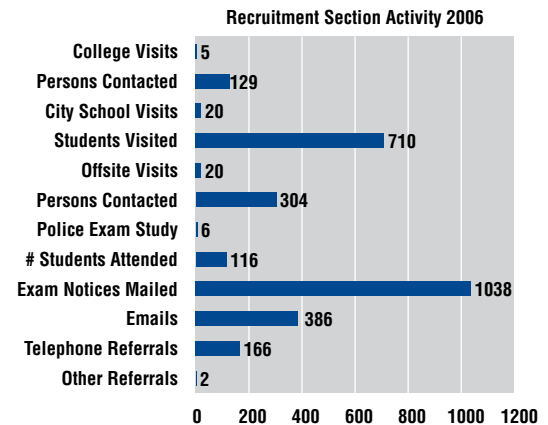
The **Neighborhood Watch Section** serves as a department liaison with 78 Neighborhood Watch Groups situated throughout the City of Syracuse. The Section also assists in the development of additional groups. Crime prevention education is conducted through routinely scheduled meetings where groups are established. The section acts as a liaison with other departments toward solving complaints and community problems. Neighborhood Watch Section Activity 2006 is as follows:

Active Neighborhood Watch Groups	78
New Neighborhood Watch Groups Formed	9
Total Meetings, Special Events and Gatherings	342
Newsletter Publications	4
Major Special Events	3
Spring Members Meeting/March	1
Halloween Safety/October	15
Fall Members meeting/November	1
Light up the Night Picnic/June	1
Major Programs Administered	4
Watchlink Program	1
Neighborhood Watch Cellular Telephone	1
New Database Information Gathering System	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.

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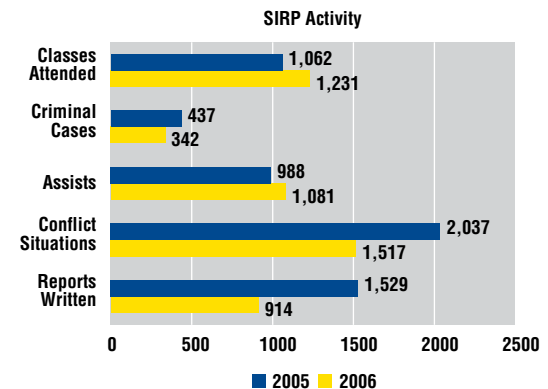
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# Community Services Bureau Operations:

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.

<i>Programs/Presentations 2006</i>	
Operation Safe Child	2,344
Crime Prevention	35
McGruff	25
Civilian Rider Program	300
Safety Speaking Engagements	10
Business Security Seminars	25
TRAID/SALT meetings	6
Child Safety Seminars	3

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.

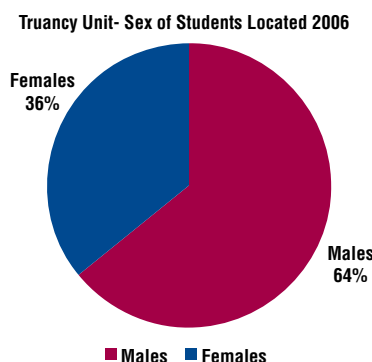
See charts 62 and 63

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:

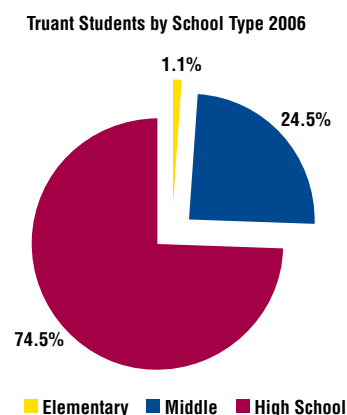
- Reduce the risk of victimization of youths.
- Encourage the continuance of education.
- Return students to the education environment.
- Assists education officials by providing appropriate counseling or corrective action.

See charts 64 and 65

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# Community Services Bureau Operations:

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. The section plans and implements programs designed to prevent delinquency in matters such as substance abuse and victimization, and drug abuse resistance education programs.

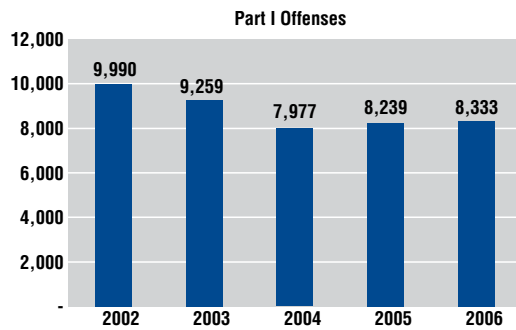
D.A.R.E.	2005	2006
<i>Drug Abuse Resistance Education</i>		
Students Educated	1,803	1,690
Number of Classes Taught	n/a	1,089
Students Visited	18,030	n/a

Officer Friendly	2005	2006
Students Educated	n/a	7,511
Number of Classes Taught	n/a	1,089
Students Contacted	7,327	n/a
Classroom Presentations	324	n/a

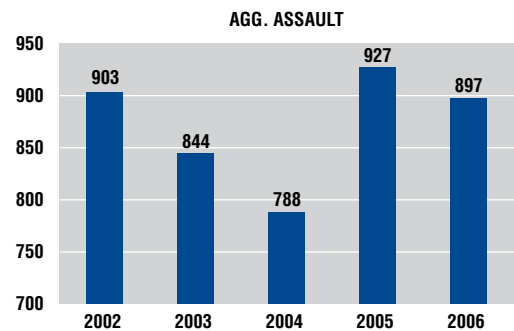
The Gang Related Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) program was introduced in Syracuse during 2003. The officers assigned to D.A.R.E teach the curriculum. This federally funded program gives students accurate facts about gang involvement. During thirteen weeks of instruction, it teaches skills needed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

G.R.E.A.T.	2005	2006
Students Educated	1,978	2,039
Number of Classes Taught	n/a	1,092

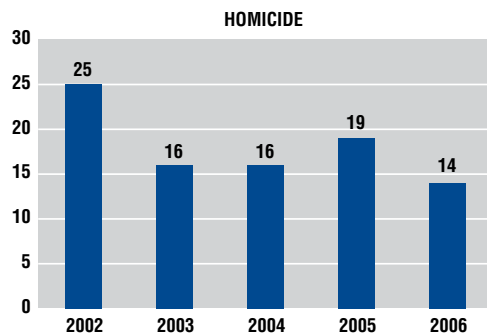
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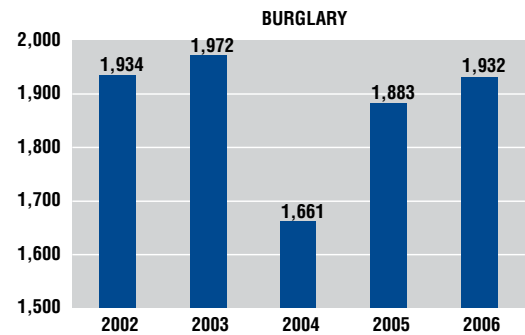
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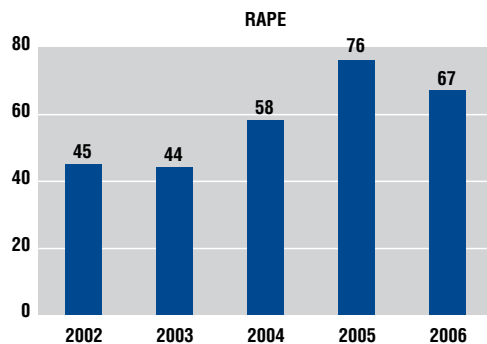
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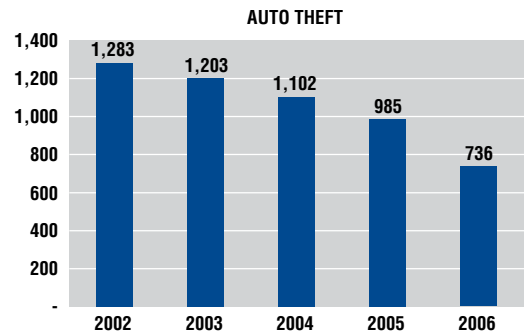
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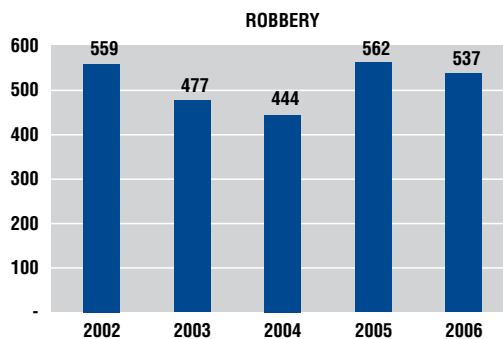
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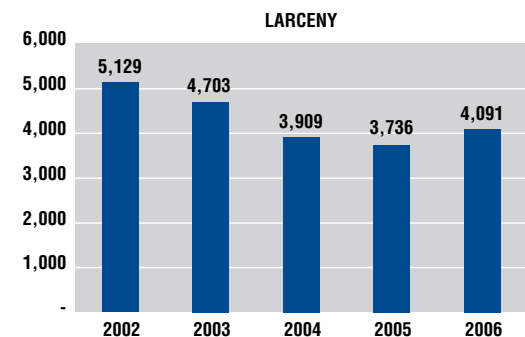
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# Awards and Promotions

## Departmental Awards 2006

### *Hendrick's Award*

*Sergeant Eric Carr*  
*Detective Kevin Hamberger*

### *Post-Standard Medal*

*Sergeant Roger McReynolds*

### *John C. Dillon Award*

*Detective Rory Gilhooley*  
*Detective Christopher DeJoseph*  
*Detective Clark Farry*

### *Jerome P. Slater Award*

*Detective Brian Fougner*

### *Chief's Achievement Award*

*Police Officer Kenn Burdick*  
*Police Officer Carlos Romain*

### *Mayor's Achievement Award*

*Sergeant Peter Heise*

### *Wallie Howard Jr. Award*

*Sergeant David Proud*

### *Timothy Laun Award*

*Lieutenant Shawn Broton*

### *Meritorious Service Medal*

*Detective Derek McGork*  
*Detective Patrick Boynton*

### *Distinguished Service Award*

*Police Officer Tim Galanaugh*

### *PBA President's Award*

*Police Officer Joseph Reilly*

### *PBA Merit and Valor Award*

*Detective Matthew McDerment*  
*Detective Douglas Norkett*  
*Detective Joseph White*  
*Police Officer Shawn Prue*

## Officer of the Month Recipients 2006

### **January –**

Police Officer William Summers

### **February –**

Police Officer James Mills

### **March –**

Police Officer Michael Murphy

### **April –**

No recipient

### **May –**

No recipient

### **June –**

Police Officer Michael Bates

### **July –**

Police Officer James Lane  
Police Officer Sean Lynch

### **August –**

Police Officer Leo Dadey  
Police Officer Tara Kalil

### **September –**

Police Officer Joseph Evans  
Police Officer William Summers

### **October –**

No recipient

### **November –**

Police Officer Jeff Fleming  
Police Officer Scott Fura  
Police Officer Alvin Herrington

### **December –**

No recipient

## Promotions 2006

### *To Deputy Chief*

Inspector Michael Kerwin

### *To the Rank of Captain*

Lieutenant Paul Dillon  
Lieutenant Rebecca Thompson  
Lieutenant Shannon Trice

### *To the Rank of Lieutenant*

Sergeant Shawn Broton  
Sergeant Bernard Holtman  
Sergeant John Ives  
Sergeant John Knittel  
Sergeant Richard Trudell

### *To the Rank of Sergeant*

Police Officer Eric Carr  
Police Officer Todd Cramer  
Police Officer William Croft  
Police Officer Mark Czerniel  
Police Officer David Gilbertson  
Police Officer Johnathon Hamblin  
Police Officer Peter Heise  
Police Officer Christopher Lundborg  
Police Officer Michael Mourey  
Police Officer David Procopio  
Police Officer Michael W Smith  
Police Officer Alan Wilson

## Departmental Retirements 2006

	Years of Service
Captain Michael Rathbun	February 13, 1985 – July 10, 2006
Lieutenant William Nurk	January 1, 1969 – April 5, 2006
Sergeant Norm Brown	January 1, 1969 – March 18, 2006
Sergeant Daniel Cecile	August 10, 1981 – February 6, 2006
Sergeant Timothy Chura	March 5, 1979 – March 12, 2006
Sergeant James Lynch	September 17, 1973 – August 7, 2006
Sergeant Preston Prue	August 12, 1970 – June 15, 2006
Sergeant Peter Small	May 23, 1988 – January 19, 2006
Police Officer Ross Arena	June 27, 1986 – July 7, 2006
Police Officer John Barnum	May 6, 1970 – July 7, 2006
Police Officer Rita Boskovski	February 13, 1985 – May 30, 2006
Police Officer Michael Bridenbaker	June 27, 1986 – March 18, 2006
Police Officer John Burke	August 10, 1981 – January 7, 2006
Police Officer Harry Burns	September 1, 1978 – February 6, 2006
Police Officer William Elsenbeck	June 22, 1990 – April 19, 2006
Police Officer Mark Fassett	September 11, 1987 – April 19, 2006
Police Officer Todd Hage	April 16, 1990 – July 12, 2006
Police Officer Mark Hoyer	September 16, 1985 – January 7, 2006
Police Officer James Mullen	September 6, 1996 – May 2, 2006
Police Officer Christopher Devito	September 16, 1985 – April 3, 2006
Police Officer John Stanek	August 26, 1987 – April 1, 2006
Police Officer Nicholas Vassenelli	June 27, 1986 – April 7, 2006

## Retirees' Deaths 2006

Investigator Luke D. Mallaro, 76 yrs., died June 6, 2006, served 1956-1976

Police Officer Melvin Baum, 78 yrs., died January 13, 2006, served 1963-1978

Police Officer Emmet J. Burke, 73 yrs., died February 5, 2006, served 1960-1962

Police Officer Robert J "Sudsy" McCabe, 78 yrs., died March 29, 2006, served 1957-1983

Lieutenant Herbert "Herbie" Rodgers, 79 yrs., died April 14, 2006, served 1963-1988

Investigator Roy J. Stassi, 52 yrs., died June 1, 2006, served 1973-1985

Sergeant Terence P. "Terry" Connors, 76 yrs., died July 15, 2006, served 1954-1974

Police Officer William E. "Billy" Thomas, 73 yrs., died September 14, 2006, served 1957-1978

Lieutenant Patrick A. Callahan, 44 yrs., died October 5, 2006, served 1985-2005

Captain Charles "Charley" Dawson, 92 yrs., died December 4, 2006, served 1942-1977

Police Officer Joseph "Joe" Olszewski, 79 yrs., died December 22, 2006, served 1953-1985

## In Memory of Deputy Chief Timothy Laun



### Departed member while in service

Captain Timothy "Moady" Laun was the Commanding Officer of the Special Investigations Division. He will always be remembered for his tireless dedication to police service and the Syracuse Police Department.

He leaves behind a loving family, including a 4 year old son and a large law enforcement family. He was 44 years old.

Captain Laun was promoted to Deputy Chief posthumously on May 1, 2006.

"Rest in peace."

Years of Service

December 16, 1981 – May 1, 2006



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