Syracuse Police Department Annual Report 2012



Dedication, Sacrifice, Tradition

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Tradition

Service

Innovation

Excellence

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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Deputy Chiefs Shawn M. Broton Joseph L. Cecile Rebecca E. Thompson

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE Stephanie A. Miner, Mayor

April 1, 2013

Honorable Stephanie A. Miner Office of the Mayor City Hall Syracuse, NY 13202

Dear Mayor Miner:

I respectfully submit to you the Syracuse Police Department's 2012 Annual Report.

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

Sincerely,

Frank L. Fowler Chief of Police

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Evaluation of 2012 Goals and Objectives

Design a problem-solving neighborhood initiative called SWEEP (Strategic Waves of Enforcement Efforts by Police). Indentify neighborhood-specific problems and concerns via a door-to-door canvass and then address the issues with a Department-wide teamwork strategy.

Accomplished and ongoing.

The SWEEP (Strategic Waves of Enforcement Efforts by Police) Initiative was launched in 2012 in an effort to attack and address chronic problems occurring in specific and defined neighborhoods. Utilizing a wave approachspecialized units moving in one after the other- and keeping the target areas small, we were able to make significant progress using only existing resources. During the pilot year we conducted 12 SWEEPS in neighborhoods that were experiencing everything from gun violence to juvenile crime sprees. Follow-up door to door canvasses were completed at the conclusion of each Sweep to determine success based on neighborhood perspective. Residents were asked a series of questions, the most important being, "Do you feel your neighborhood has improved?" The lowest result for the SWEEP initiative was a 56.4% improvement (Pond\Alvord Sweep) and the highest result was 91% improvement (Hartson Street Sweep) based on these canvasses.

Implement an interactive online Human Resources training program (HR Train). Use realistic scenarios and interactive instructional courses designed to sensitize and increase employee awareness to the issues surrounding workplace harassment.

Accomplished and ongoing.

The HRTrain online training system has been implemented and scenarios have been selected. Training began in the last quarter on 2012 and will be completed by the end of the first quarter of 2013. All employees of the Department will receive this training.

Reduce the number of felony domestic related incidents and recidivism of domestic offenders. Implement CODE (Chronic Offender Domestic Enforcement) by establishing a set of criteria that identifies chronic domestic offenders. Establish, by policy and procedure, the use of the CODE Court Case Checklist which will be applied to all cases in which the defendant is a CODE subject. Apply the case procedures and checklist to all felony domestic related incidents.

Accomplished and ongoing.

In May 2012, fifteen individuals were identified as chronic offenders and placed on the CODE list. After being placed on the CODE list, less than half of the offenders committed another domestic offense. Of those who did, 43% received jail time for the offense. The Syracuse Police Department is in the process of updating this list based upon recent activity.

Continue to increase minority hiring and retention in order to more accurately reflect the diversity of our community.

Ongoing.

The Recruitment Section continues to recruit suitable candidates that represent a variety of ethnic, cultural, and racial populations while developing programs that will encourage successful outcomes for such candidates.

New York State Re-Accreditation

In 2012 the Syracuse Police Department underwent an assessment for re-accreditation with the New York State Law Enforcement Accreditation Program. The Accreditation Program is comprised of 133 professional standards. An agency must show continual compliancy in each and every standard to achieve and maintain an accredited status. Participation in this program is voluntary, and a re-assessment occurs every 5 years.

In June of 2011 the Accreditation Council adopted a new procedure called a "Compliance Audit", for agencies that have received re-accreditation on at least 2 previous occasions. The Compliance Audit consists of an off-site review of at least 41 standards, 21 of which the council has designated as "critical standards." These "critical standards" are labeled as such as they generally have the highest potential for liability for a law enforcement agency. These "critical standards" will be reviewed for each agency that qualifies for the "Compliance Audit". The additional 20 "essential standards" are randomly selected by the assessor; therefore it is imperative that all 133 standards are maintained throughout the course of the agency's accreditation.

Accreditation provides many benefits including:

- A means by which a police agency can evaluate and improve their overall performance.
- Independent confirmation that Departmental policies comply with professional standards.
- Assurance of fair recruitment, selection, and promotion processes.
- Diminished vulnerability to civil law suits and costly settlements.
- Enhanced understanding by agency personnel of agency policies and procedures.
- Greater administrative and operational effectiveness.
- · Greater public confidence.

To ensure that the Department was prepared for the on-site compliance audit scheduled for October 22-23, 2012, a "mock assessment" was arranged in late-August. During this "mock assessment", four New York State Law Enforcement Accreditation Program assessors evaluated and critiqued the Department's accreditation documentation in order to ensure readiness for the upcoming re-accreditation process.

During the official re-assessment, two New York State Law Enforcement Accreditation Program assessors were sent to review additional documentation and evaluate Departmental daily operations as they apply to the accreditation standards. The assessors interviewed numerous personnel within the Department; from the Chief's Office to Patrol Officers. They toured several physical areas of the Department as well as the Special Investigations Division. In the lead assessor's final report, he stated: "The Syracuse Police Department has done an excellent job of maintaining continuous compliance with the program standards reviewed during this compliance audit. After careful consideration I recommend that the Syracuse Police Department be favorably considered for reaccreditation."

On December 13, 2012, in Guilderland, NY, Chief Fowler accepted the plaque for the Department's reaccreditation status.

The success of this re-assessment lies with the commitment to duty and professionalism of each and every member of the Syracuse Police Department, which was shown not only during the re-assessment process, but on a daily basis throughout the past five years.

The New York State Law Enforcement Accreditation Program became operational in 1989. The Syracuse Police Department has been accredited since 1992.

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2013 Goals & Objectives

Initiate and complete the entire process of canvassing, conducting background investigations, interviewing, and ultimately hiring a class of Police candidates.

 Emphasis will be placed on not only finding the most qualified and dedicated applicants, but also selecting a group that represents the broad diversity of the population of the City of Syracuse.

Combine the Records and Data Management offices into one location.

- Reduce the number of offices needed for daily operations.
- Improve the flow of information and communication within the entire Division.

Implement CIT training (an enhanced mental health recognition and de-escalation training) throughout the Department.

 Make Departmental policy changes and create better and more consistent interfacing with Mental Health Providers. Expand the existing COPS platform camera system.

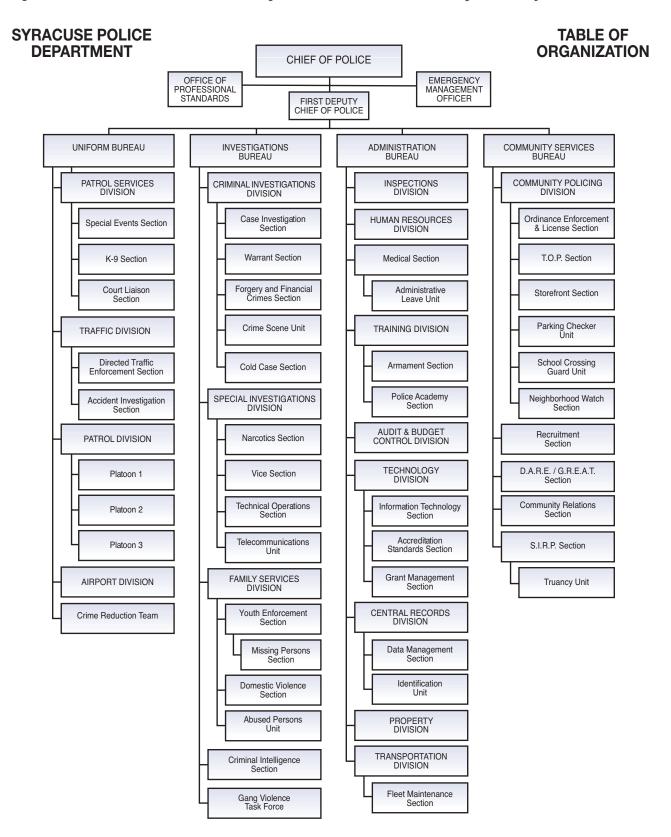
- Deploy cameras in other areas of the City based upon OCAC analysis.
- Partner with privately owned business within the City to connect to their external cameras.

Develop and implement an interagency program designed to swiftly recognize juvenile associated crime sprees.

 Identify those involved and focus all necessary resources toward ending crime sprees with the combination of intervention or incarceration.

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 145,170. The Mayor-Council Style Government governs the City. As of December 31, 2012 there were 468 sworn officers and 118 civilian personnel employed by the Police Department, with an operating budget of approximately \$45,992,340.

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 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 field of law enforcement. It is a goal of the Department to maintain its accreditation status with New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services.

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, Frank L. Fowler 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 **Emergency Management Officer** facilitates the strategic application and management of information and resources in the deterrence, detection, prevention, and mitigation of the effects of natural, technological, and man-made hazards that can negatively impact the community; and strengthens the preparedness, timely response, and recovery from any disaster, critical incident, or other emergency.

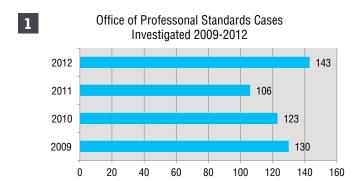
The Office of Professional Standards

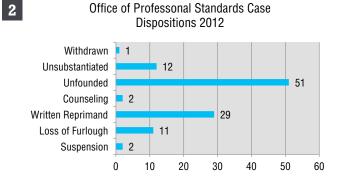
- Facilitates the process of receiving internal and external complaints alleging employee misconduct.
- Investigates complaints against members of the Department.
- Maintains documentation of complaints.
- Prepares charges (criminal, civil, and Departmental) when appropriate.
- Assists in the representation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

See Charts 1 and 2



Frank L. FowlerChief of Police





Report On Administration Bureau Operations

The Administration Bureau is commanded by First Deputy Chief of Police David C. Barrette 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 3 and 4

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 appointments, transfers, retirements, terminations, secondary employment, and commendations.
- Maintains and validates employee records of attendance; furlough, military, administration, administers time accumulated and/or used by all employees.
- Prepares reports for the New York State Police and Firemen's retirement system.
- Maintains Departmental roster and personnel status reports.

See Charts 5 through 8

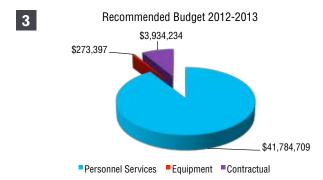
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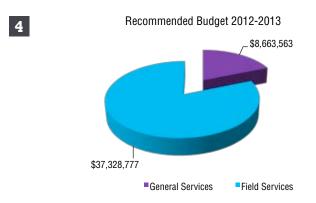
- Maintains and validates employee records of attendance; sick, injured, and monitors medical leave procedures.
- Maintains personnel records of employees who have been assigned to administrative leave.
- Prepares reports for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

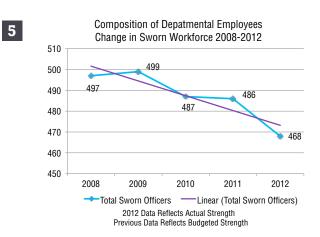
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David C. BarretteFirst Deputy
Chief of Police





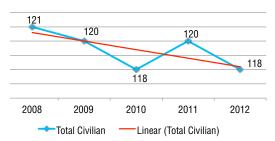


The Training Division

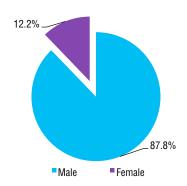
- Coordinates and administers Departmental training programs.
- Coordinates and administers the Police Officer Basic Academy.
- Administers training to peace and police officers from outside agencies.
- Plans and develops Departmental training standards and programs.
- Monitors training methods and identifies training needs necessary for adherence to state/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.

TRAINING DIVISION ACTIVITY	2010	2011	2012
Police Academy Classes	0	1	0
Total Officers Certified	19	34	0
Outside Agencies Attending	1	9	0
Community Service Officers	6	6	7
In-Service Training Sessions			
Total Officers Trained	450	441	472
Police Officers	369	357	389
Training Topics Instructed	10	12	7
Supervisors	59	58	55
Training Topics Instructed	13	5	7
Command Officers	22	26	28
Training Topics Instructed	5	4	7
Certified Course Instruction			
NYS BMP OPS	23	28	24
Refresher	4	9	11
Seminars	9	14	32
Specialized Training	10	12	14
Outside Agencies Attending	6	7	6
Total Officers Trained	254	258	272

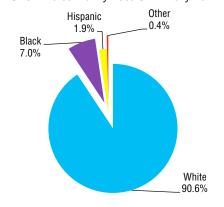
Composition of Departmental Employees Change in Civilian Workforce 2008-2012



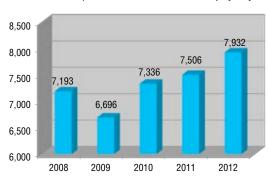
Sworn Personnel By Gender 2012



8 Sworn Personnel By Race & Ethnicity 2012



Department Personnel Sick & Injury Days



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The Armament Section

- · Coordinates Departmental firearms training.
- Maintains Departmental weapons, related inventory, and firearms proficiency records.

The Inspections Division

- Conducts staff and line inspections.
- Evaluates efficiency, effectiveness, and quality of Departmental operations and systems.
- Evaluates compliance of goals and directives.
- Ensures that Departmental policies and procedures are being followed.
- Reports deficiencies to the First Deputy Chief of Police. See Charts 10 and 11

The Technology Division

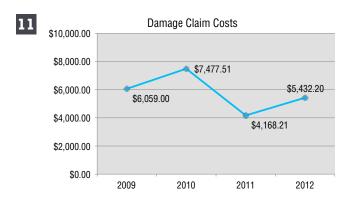
- Develops, prepares, publishes, and maintains records of all Departmental rules and regulations and orders, except Human Resource Division Orders.
- Conducts research and planning projects as directed by the Chief of Police.
- Responds to surveys from government and educational institutions.
- Prepares 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.

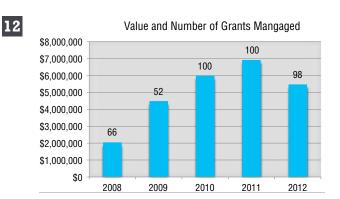
See Chart 12

In 2012 the Technology Division began a project to modernize the operations of its Tele-serve Unit. This telephone based unit previously required citizens to call into a voicemail system and then fill out a paper police report which was sent to them via US Mail. Citizens were then required to go to the Public Safety Building to pick up an official copy of the report if needed.

In Fall 2012 the Syracuse Police Department launched the eServe citizens' online reporting system. Citizens can now go to the Department's public website, www. syracusepolice.org and file a report from any computer





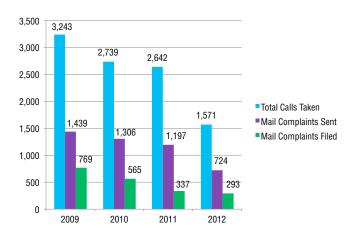


or smartphone. Reports are usually reviewed within 3 business days and citizens automatically receive an official copy of the police report via email.

In 2011 only 13% of all calls to the Tele-serve Unit resulted in a report being filed. In the last quarter of 2012 when the eServe system became fully operational, 79% of all reports filed online were approved electronically. The remaining 29% were returned to the citizen as they required an in-person response from a police officer.

The Syracuse Police Department will be featured in the Winter 2013 issue of State Tech Magazine for this project.

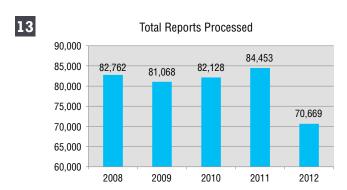
Tele-serve Unit Statistics

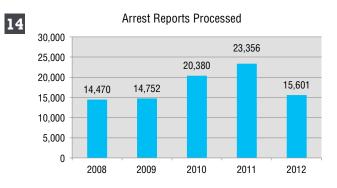


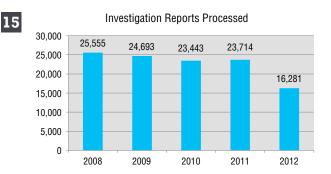
Activity	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total Calls Taken	3243	2739	2,642	1571
Mail Complaints Sent	1439	1306	1,197	724
Mail Complaints Filed	769	565	337	293
Percent of calls resulting				
in report	24	21	13	19

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 and oversees the Department's use of the Statewide Information Sharing Network- eJusticeNY- Integrated Justice Portal (IJP).
- Maintains computer information, indexes, and records.
- Provides photocopying and mailing services. *See Charts* 13-15







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. The Section also seals defendant records as ordered by the court, supplies criminal history transcripts, and administers the 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.

See Chart 16

The Transportation Division

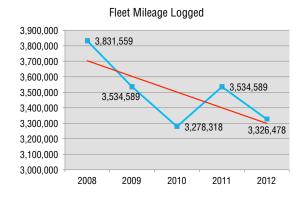
- Maintains all Departmental vehicles and prepares vehicles for auction.
- Prepares specifications for the purchase of new vehicles.
- Completes vehicle repair work and maintenance on fleet vehicles.

Transportation Division Activities 2012

359
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\$37,757.00
328,305
11
2,662
1,016

See Chart 17

16 Total Unclaimed Cash Processed by the Property Division \$228,903.60 \$250,000 \$200,000 \$164,926.05 \$150,000 \$100,000 \$38,354.71 \$50.000 \$11,248.18 \$0 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012



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Report On Uniform Bureau Operations

The Uniform Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief of Police Rebecca E. Thompson 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.

The Patrol Division

- Responds to all calls for police services.
- Conducts a 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 18 and 19

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 10:00 PM to 7:00 AM, with roll calls at 10:00 PM and 11:00 PM daily.

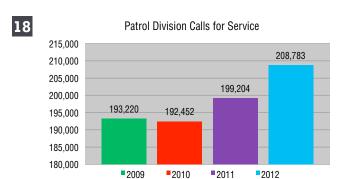
First Platoon Activity 2012

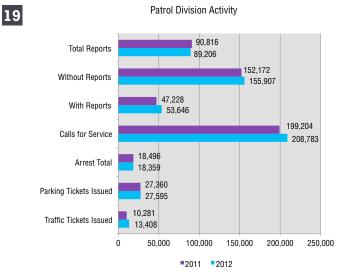
Felony Arrests	989
Misdemeanor Arrests	2,736
Violation Arrests	2,146
Appearance Tickets	987
Warrant Arrests	858
Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued	5076
Parking Tickets Issued	13,166
Calls for Service	64,356
With Reports	17,137
Without Reports	50,718
Number of Reports	24,139

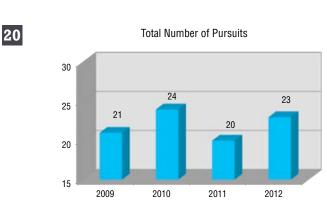
The Second Platoon's hours of duty are o6:00 AM to 3:00 PM, with roll calls at 6:00 AM and 7:00 AM daily.



Rebecca E. ThompsonDeputy Chief of Police







Second Platoon Activity 2012

Felony Arrests	608
Misdemeanor Arrests	1,417
Violation Arrests	726
Appearance Tickets	417
Warrant Arrests	365
Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued	2,721
Parking Tickets Issued	5,968
Calls for Service	49,564
With Reports	13,511
Without Reports	35,285
Number of Reports	25,991

The Third Platoon's hours of duty are 2:00 PM to 11:00 PM, with roll calls at 2:00 PM and 3:00 PM daily.

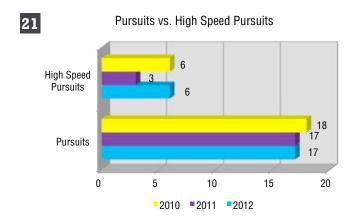
Third Platoon Activity 2012

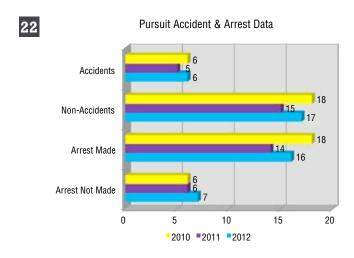
Felony Arrests	700
Misdemeanor Arrests	2,059
Violation Arrests	2,052
Appearance Tickets	1,495
Warrant Arrests	750
Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued	568
Parking Tickets Issued	1,027
Calls for Service	94,863
With Reports	22,998
Without Reports	72,904
Number of Reports	39,076

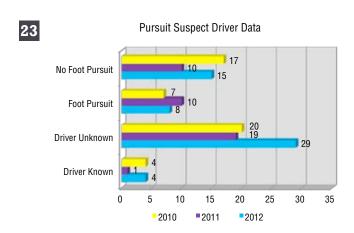
Platoon Comparisons 2012

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	18	12	11
Misdemeanor Arrests	51	29	32
Violation Arrests	40	14	32
Appearance Tickets Issued	18	8	23
Warrant Arrests	16	7	12
Traffic Tickets Issued	94	53	86
Parking Tickets Issued	244	117	130
Calls for Service	1,192	972	1.459
With Reports	317	265	354
Without Reports	939	692	1,123
Total Reports	447	510	601







The Patrol Services Division

- Serves as the administrative arm of the Uniform Bureau Deputy Chief.
- Disseminates directives and information.
- · Obtains equipment necessary for operations.
- 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, and the Court Liaison.

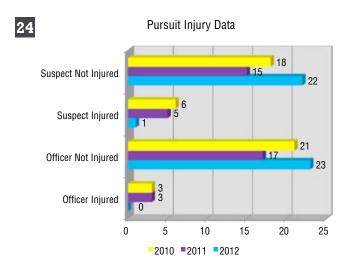
Each year the Patrol Services Division conducts an analysis of Syracuse Police Department vehicle pursuits. During 2012 pursuits were analyzed. Charts 20-24 depict the results of that analysis.

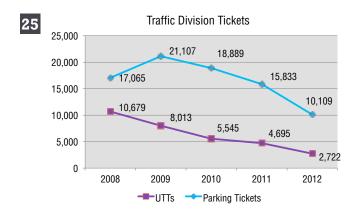
See Charts 20-24

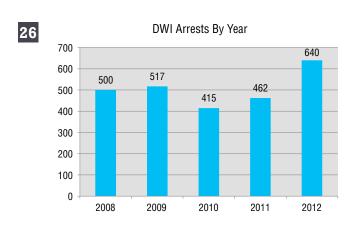
The **K-9 Section** is comprised of 7 canine teams. Each team receives special training in building searches, area searches, tracking, obedience, and either narcotics or explosive detection.

K-9 activity for 2012 is as follows:

Calls for Service	3,442
Felony Arrests	45
Misdemeanors	77
Violations	24
Building Searches	298
Explosive Searches	158
K-9 Tracking	29
Open Area Searches	67
Building Perimeter Checks	454
Stolen Property Recovered	\$30,000.00
Traffic Tickets Issued	56
K-9 Demonstrations	22
Attendance	705
Attendance Officer Protection	705 118
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Officer Protection	118
Officer Protection Drug Searches	118 56
Officer Protection Drug Searches Marijuana Seized	118 56 18 lbs.







The **Special Events Section** plans and coordinates staffing and traffic control operations for numerous community events conducted in the City of Syracuse.

Major Community Events	98
Parade Permits	46
Assembly Permits	113
Carrier Dome Events	49
Officers Assigned to Dome Events	1,321
Dome Attendance 2012	440,704

The **Court Liaison Section** processed 3,731 subpoenas as well as notices scheduling pre-trial hearings and conferences to individual officers during the year 2012.

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.

Traffic Division Activity	2012

UTTs	10,109
Parking Tickets	2,722
Warrant Arrests	4
Crashes Investigated	1,496
Crashes Reconstructed	16
Fatal Crashes	5
Serious	11
Recovered Stolen Vehicles	4
Stolen License Plates Recovered	11
DWI Arrests	615
Commercial Vehicles Inspected	605
Trucks Placed out of Service	282
Overweight Offenses	62
Child Car Seats Checked	129
Child Safety Seats Given Away	49
VIP/Funeral Escorts	35

See Charts 25 and 26

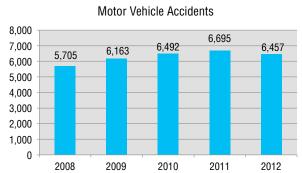
The **Accident Investigation Section** reviews, processes, stores, and maintains motor vehicle accident reports and provides statistical and requested report information concerning motor vehicle accidents that occur in the City of Syracuse. The following graphs depict various motor vehicle accident and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

See Charts 27 and 28

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Fatal Motor Vehicle Accidents 12 10 10 10 8 6 4 2 0 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 Number of Accidents

28



The Airport Division (January 2012 – July 2012)

- 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.
- From January 2012 July 2012 officers working at the Airport performed 282 pistol permit verifications.

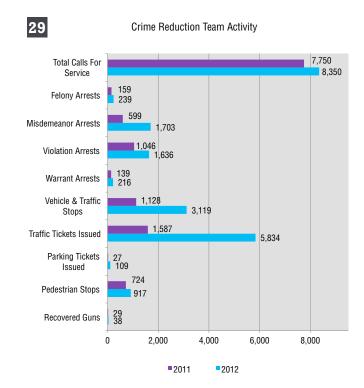
Syracuse Hancock International Airport Activity 2012 (January 2012 - July 2012)

Felony Arrests	6
Misdemeanor Arrests	9
Violation Arrests	17
Vehicle & Traffic Stops	32
UTT's	145
Parking Tickets Issued	1,272
SIDA Checks	42,442
In Flight Emergencies	12
Total Calls	3,743
With Reports	411
Without Reports	3,332
Property Checks	22,573

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. CRT concentrates its activities in designated troubled neighborhoods, responds to shots fired calls, and supports uniform patrol operations when necessary.

See Chart 29



Report On Investigations Bureau Operations

The Investigations Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief of Police Shawn M. Broton 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 the Patrol Division. 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 Charts 30 and 31

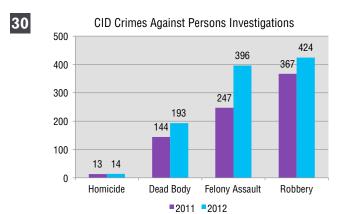
The **Forgery Section** conducts follow-up investigations of all economic crime investigations that are beyond the capabilities of the Patrol Division. The Section assists and advises patrol personnel in processing patrol initiated fraud arrests and investigations. The Forgery Section further coordinates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

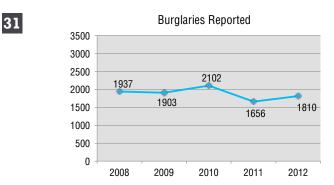
See Charts 32 and 33

The **Cold Case Section** investigates unsolved homicides or prolonged missing person investigations. Detectives maintain the Cold Case webpage on www.syracuse-police.org that includes case history/photos in order to reach a wider audience and help cultivate case tips.



Shawn M. Broton Deputy Chief of Police







Investigations Bureau Operations

Cold Case Unit	2012
Current Cold Cases	73
Homicide	64
Closed by Arrest	2
Missing Persons	9

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 34

The **Crime Scene Unit** is responsible for processing all major crime scenes and incidents for the purpose of the preservation and collection of evidence.

Crime Scene Unit	2012
Homicides	14
Officer Involved Shootings	3
Suspicious Deaths/Incidents	7
Cell Phone Cases	115
Vehicles Processed	62
Crime Scene Sketches	33
ET Cases Photographed	6,991
ET Photographs	241,561
CSU Photographs	33,703

The Special Investigations Division

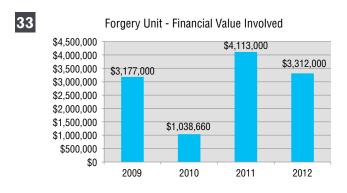
- Conducts investigations into organized crime, narcotics trafficking, and vice-related activity.
- Coordinates enforcement action and develops interagency cooperation, coordination, and communication relative to metropolitan wide narcotics enforcement efforts.

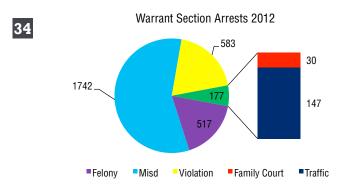
The **Narcotics Section** is responsible for the suppression of narcotics trafficking, from street level to major criminal conspiracy activity. The Section maintains and develops intelligence files relative to narcotics distribution, develops informants, executes search warrants, makes arrests, and initiates counteractive measures to combat illegal drug activity.

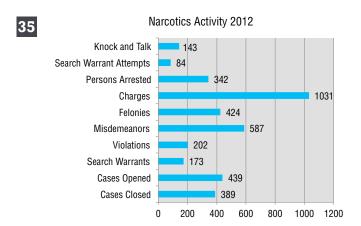
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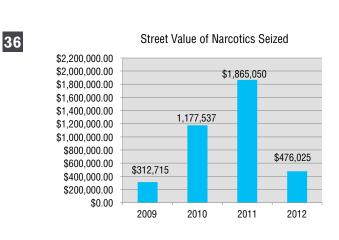
The **Vice Section** is responsible for the suppression of prostitution, pornography, and illegal gambling from street level to the criminal conspiracy level.

See Chart 37









Investigations Bureau Operations

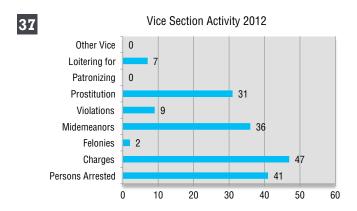
The **Technical Operations Section** is responsible for the maintenance, operation, and deployment of electronic surveillance equipment. This Section provides technical support to various Departmental Units and investigates processes and tracks narcotic forfeiture cases. The Technical Operations Section 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.

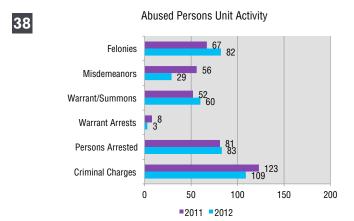
Technical Operations 2012	
Audio-video Operations	17
Photographic Operations	11
Forfeiture Operations	
Federal Currency & Vehicle Cases	68
Cash Amount	\$990,550.00
State & Local Currency & Vehicle Cases	179
Cash Amount	\$110,175.00
Protective Escort Operations	
Advance Operations	9
Escort Details	8

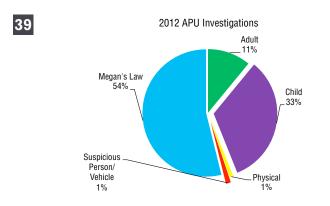
The **Syracuse Gang Violence Task Force (GVTF)** is a multiagency Task Force that aggressively targets violent gangs and their members. The Task Force uses long term investigations which are prepared and presented to the federal court system for prosecution.

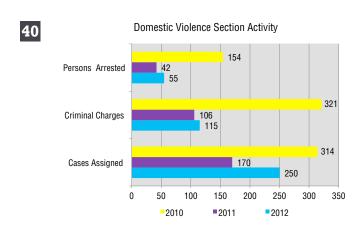
In 2012 the GVTF conducted a long term RICO investigation of the VNOT Gang which resulted in the arrest of 13 known violent "VNOT" members. The case included multiple acts of violence and drug distribution, including murder, shootings, acts of gun possession, and crack cocaine distribution and/or possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine.

Additionally, the GVTF has continued conduct long term and ongoing gang related investigations. Due to the increased shootings and illegal weapons activity in the City of Syracuse, the GVTF has been requested to supply a much broader area of responsibility outside of its initial goal of "investigate arrest and prosecute". The Unit's prior success in effectively dealing with large gangs in Syracuse has expanded to a role which requires much more visibility within the community. The Unit's role has been refocused as one to provide a proactive presence in high crime, heavy gang areas of the city. The Unit's goal is to alert suspected gang members that their group may be targeted next in hopes of stopping the crime before it occurs.









Investigations Bureau Operations

Criminal Intelligence Section

The function of the **Criminal Intelligence Section** is to collect, evaluate, analyze, and disseminate intelligence related to criminal activity, narcotics issues, gangs, serial crime events, and quality of life problems. The Section identifies crime trends by analyzing factors such as time, method of operation, and hot spot identification. The field intelligence officers gather more in depth information through street interviews with officers and the public, debriefings of arrested individuals, and criminal informants. The Section provides services to all law enforcement agencies throughout Onondaga and adjacent counties by distributing work products and completing intelligence bulletins.

Criminal Intelligence Section Activity 2012

Bulletins Distributed	
Officer Safety	92
Wanted for an Offense	103
General Police Information	372
Investigative Lead Reports	32
Total Bulletins	891
Crime Analysis Special Research Projects/Studies	1879
Inmate Release Notices	75
Anonymous Tips Received	449

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 Unit, and Abused Persons Unit.

The **Abused Persons Unit** is responsible for investigating sex offenses, including child pornography, all felony physical child abuse and neglect incidents, and identifying and apprehending offenders. The Unit works closely with Onondaga Child Protective Services, The Rape Crisis Center, Department of Probation, and New York State Parole.

See Charts 38 and 39

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

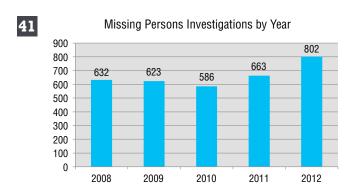
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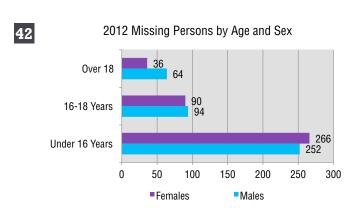
The **Youth Enforcement Section** has primary responsibility for investigation of crimes perpetrated by juveniles. The Section is responsible for the diversion of offenders by making referrals to appropriate agencies, and acting as a liaison with other youth service providers and other agencies concerned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

Youth Enforcement Section Activity 2012	
Cases Assigned	81
Criminal Charges	64
Juvenile Arrests	33
Departmental Statistics 2012	
Juveniles Arrested	505
Charges Lodged	793

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

See Charts 41 and 42





Report On Community Services Bureau Operations

The Community Services Bureau is commanded by Deputy Chief of Police Joseph L. Cecile 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, SWEEP (Strategic Waves of Enforcement Efforts by Police) and the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) and G.R.E.A.T. (Gang Resistance Education and Training) programs. The Bureau is comprised of the following Divisions and Sections.

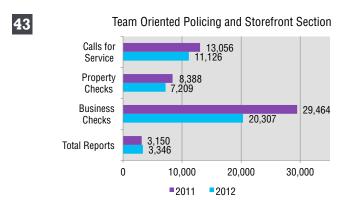
The Community Policing Division

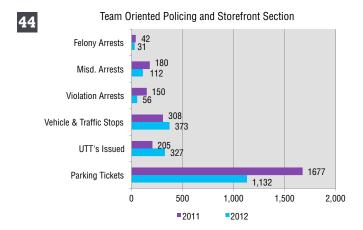
- Implements and advances community policing principles, strategies, and operations.
- Coordinates community policing with all components of the Department.
- Oversees the operations of the Team Oriented Policing, Ordinance Enforcement & License, SWEEP, Storefront, and Neighborhood Watch Sections.

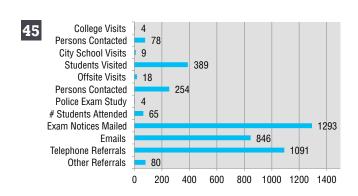
The Team Oriented Policing and Storefront Sections (TOPS) are a key element in the Community Policing problem-solving approach utilized by the Syracuse Police Department. There are six TOPS units that are located in Eastwood, Butternut St. & Park St., Butternut Square, Valley Plaza, and Otisco St. Teams of officers are deployed from mobile bases of operation set up in specifically targeted neighborhoods. The Storefront Section utilizes three storefront policing centers and one community center 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. TOPS also assists both the Criminal Investigations Division with burglary follow-up investigations and the SIRP Section with police related incidents on or around City of Syracuse School District properties.



Joseph L. CecileDeputy Chief of Police







Community Services Bureau Operations

2012
183
10
154
241
247
364
682

See Charts 43 and 44

SWEEP Activities	2012
Follow-up Sweep from Previous Year	3
Number of Sweep Canvasses	10
Number of Sweep Follow-ups	6
Number of Citizen Contacts from Initial Canvass	352
Number of Citizen Contacts from Follow-ups	308
Number of Fully Completed SWEEPs	9

Hudson Street SWEEP

Intelligence gathered on initial canvass of all residents within the SWEEP target area:

- · Canvassed all residents within the SWEEP target area.
- Neighborhoods informed police of 34 complaints and concerns including potential drug houses, gang hangouts, vacant houses being used for drug and gun hideouts, and juveniles and adults loitering at the corner store.
- Neighbors indentified 8 drug locations.
- Neighbors indentified 2 suspicious vehicles regularly engaging in criminal activity.
- · Neighbors indentified 5 vacant houses being used for criminal activity.
- High volume of "shots fired" incidents in the target area prior to SWEEP.

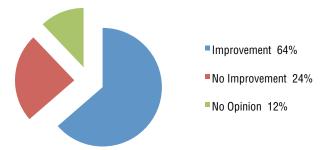
Results:

- 11 Felony arrests including drugs and weapons charges.
- 15 Misdemeanor arrests.
- 17 Violations arrests.
- 6 houses were investigated for drug activity.
- 5 vacant houses searched for drugs and weapons, and then re-secured.
- 6 nuisance abatement warning letters sent to property owners at 319 Coolidge Avenue, 115 Hudson Street, 158 Hudson Street, 411 Hudson Street, 233 Palmer Avenue, and 527 Tallman Avenue
- 88 % reduction in "shots fired" incidents in the target area.

1900-2000 S. Salina St. & 100-300 W. Beard Ave SWEEP results:

33 follow-up surveys were completed by neighborhood residents in a door to door canvass. Of the 33 surveys, 64% (21) of citizens responded that they have seen improvement in their neighborhood, 24% (8) reported they have not seen any improvement in their neighborhood, 12% (4) replied that they have no opinion if the neighborhood has improved, as they reported no problems with the neighborhood now or prior to the canvass. Nearly all respondents citing an improvement in the neighborhood stated better lighting and increased police presence have contributed to the improvement in the neighborhood.

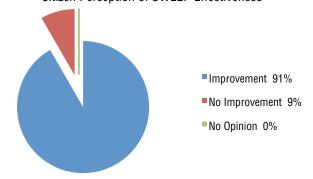
Citizen Perception of SWEEP Effectiveness



100-300 Hartson St. SWEEP results:

22 follow-up surveys were completed by neighborhood residents in a door to door canvass. Of the 22 surveys, 91% (20) of citizens responded that they have seen improvement in their neighborhood and 9% (2) reported they have not seen any improvement in their neighborhood. Many respondents citing an improvement in the neighborhood, stated they have noticed increased police presence in the neighborhood and are appreciative of the enhanced patrols.

Citizen Perception of SWEEP Effectiveness



Community Services Bureau Operations

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 2012

Abandoned Vehicle Complaints	331
Red Tag Vehicle Tows	6
Salvage Certificates	70
Red Tags Issued	291

The **Neighborhood Watch Section** serves as a Department liaison with 64 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 2012 is as follows:

Active Neighborhood Watch Groups	64
New Neighborhood Watch Groups Formed	5
Total Meetings, Special Events and Gatherings	310
Newsletter Publications	4
Major Special Events	7
Halloween Safety-October	14
Nuisance Abatement Monitoring	1
Watchlink Complaints Weekly Average	15
Total Number of Residents Involved	2, 950

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 Chart 45

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.

Programs/Presentations	2012
McGruff	30
Civilian Rider Program	300
Safety Speaking Engagements	20
Business Security Seminars	10
Internships	40

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 Chart 46

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.
- Assist education officials by providing appropriate counseling or corrective action.

The **Drug Abuse Resistance Education Section (D.A.R.E)** 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). The Section plans Drug Abuse Resistance Education programs and implements programs designed to prevent delinquency in matters such as substance abuse and victimization

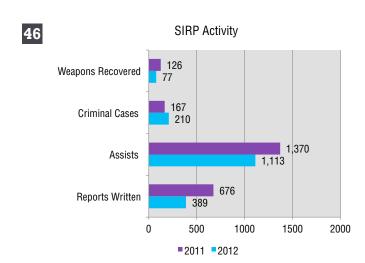
D.A.R.E.	2011	2012
Students Educated	1,437	1,542
Rite-Aid Drug Quiz Program	1	1
Number of Classes Taught	157	167

Officer Friendly	2011	2012
Students Educated	7,177	6,454
Number of Classes Taught	313	307

The Gang Resistance Education and Training

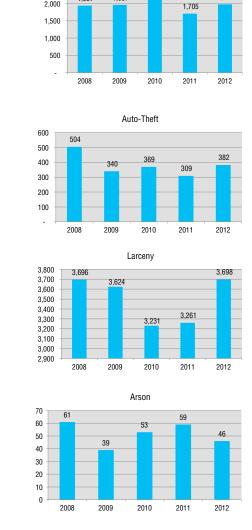
(G.R.E.A.T.) program was introduced in Syracuse during 2003. The officers assigned to D.A.R.E teach the curriculum. This federally funded program gives students accurate facts about gang involvement. During thirteen weeks of instruction, the program teaches skills needed to peacefully resolve conflicts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

G.R.E.A.T.	2011	2012
Students Educated	2,215	1,761
Number of Classes Taught	501	480



Statistical Review



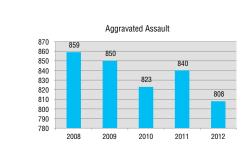


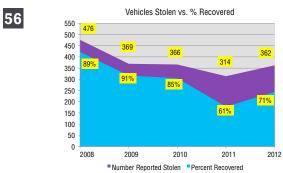
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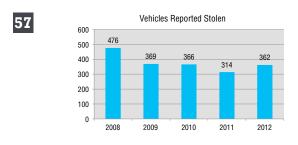
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Awards, Promotions, and Retirements

Awards, Promotions, Retirements, and Deaths

Departmental Awards 2012

Francis Hendricks Medal Police Officer Gordon Quonce III

Post-Standard Medal

Captain John Ives
Sergeant James Renna
Police Officer Jason Tom
Police Officer Shawn Kelley
Police Officer William Coleman

John C. Dillon Award

Police Officer Christopher Bresett

Jerome P. Slater Award

Police Officer Scott Henderson

Chief's Achievement Award

Police Officer Mark Rusin
Police Officer Matthew Erwin

Wallie Howard Jr. Award

Detective James Burns

Timothy Laun Award

Lieutenant John Corbett

Distinguished Service Award

Police Officer Thomas Nicolini Police Officer Rodney Fitzgerald Police Officer Robert Newman Police Officer Matthew Liadka Police Officer Mark Shea

PBA President's Award

Sergeant Anthony Rosillo

PBA Valor Award

No recepient

PBA Merit Award

Police Officer Brent Potts Police Officer Sean Thomas

SPD Life Saving Award

Police Officer James Morris

Meritorious Service Award

Detective Kevin Birardi Detective James O'Brien Detective Steven Stonecypher

Officer of the Year 1st Platoon

Police Officer Matthew Lalonde

Officer of the Year 2nd Platoon

Police Officer Leo Dadey

Officer of the Year 3rd Platoon

Police Officer James Cinque

Officer of the Month Recipients 2012

January

1st platoon- Police Officer Jason Tom 2nd platoon- Police Officer Kenneth Baker 3rd platoon- Police Officer Andrew Quinn

February

1st platoon- Police Officer Alvin Herrington Jr. 2nd platoon- Police Officer John Mulherin 3rd platoon- Police Officer Alexander Cazzolli

March

1st platoon- Police Officer Colin Hillman 2nd platoon- Police Officer Michael Bates 3rd platoon- Police Officer Mamoun Abraham

Apri

1st platoon- Police Officer John Gunsalus 2nd platoon- Police Officer Jeffrey McManus 3rd platoon- Police Officer Seth Baker

May

1st platoon- Police Officer Henry Hilton 2nd platoon- Police Officer Christopher Dominick 3rd platoon- Police Officer Rick Raymond

June

1st platoon- Police Officer David Craw 2nd platoon- Police Officer Tracy Greco 3rd platoon- Police Officer Sean Hathaway

July

1st platoon- Police Officer Michael Hard 2nd platoon- Police Officer Mark Vella 3rd platoon- Police Officer Kaitlin Carney

Auausi

1st platoon- Police Officer Patricia Sargeant 2nd platoon- Police Officer Robert Newman 3rd platoon- Police Officer Ryan Jones-Brimmer

September

1st platoon- Police Officer Darrin Ettinger 2nd platoon- Police Officer Pam Otis 3rd platoon- Police Officer Michael Malone

October

1st platoon- No recipient 2nd platoon- Police Officer Thomas Nicolini 3rd platoon- Police Officer Robert Harrington

November

1st platoon- Police Officer Daniel Shipe 2nd platoon- Police Officer Jeffrey Fleming 3rd platoon- Police Officer Aylan Briedis

December

1st platoon- Police Officer Jason Eiffe 2nd platoon- No recipient 3rd platoon- Police Officer Erik Heppeler

Promotions 2012

To the Rank of SergeantPolice Officer Alp Llukaci

Departmental Retirements 2012 Years of Service

Lieutenant Michael Glavin

August 1, 1977 - April 3, 2012

Lieutenant Dennis Murphy

October 19, 1990 - April 30, 2012

Sergeant Joel Cordone

August 25, 1989 - October 12, 2012

Police Officer Victoria Baratta

February 13, 1985 - March 13, 2012

Police Officer David Birklin

August 2, 1974 - August 3, 2012

Police Officer Gregory Buck

February 13, 1985 - February 27, 2012

Police Officer Thomas Campanie

November 9, 1995 - August 1, 2012

Police Officer William Esposito September 16, 1985 - January 9, 2012

Police Officer Randy Lacelle

March 31, 1989 - March 31, 2012

Police Officer Katherine Lee

August 25, 1989 - July 15, 2012

Police Officer John Mulherin

May 13, 1986 - April 27, 2012

Police Officer James Quatrone

August 10, 1981 - August 29, 2012

Police Officer Leon Saddler

May 14, 1993 - January 6, 2012

Police Officer James Saturno

September 16, 1985- July 24, 2012

Police Officer Thomas Unger

August 10, 1981 - July 2, 2012

Police Officer Albert Thompson

August 10, 1981 - January 6, 2012

Retirees' Deaths 2012

Police Officer Gerald J. Bruzdzinski

died 9 April 2012, served 1957-1977

Sergeant John S. Dzielak

died 8 August 2012, served 1946-1977

Captain Joseph R. Francy

died 9 September 2012, served 1947-1983

Sergeant Edward L. Kincella

died 17 June 2012, served 1948-1979

Sergeant Dennis J. Mangan

died 29 December 2012, served 1970-1998

Police Officer Robert T. Mangin

died 5 April 2012, served 1960-1983

Police Officer Michael J. Reidy

died 1 June 2012, served 1952-1973

Police Officer Claude J. Richer died 15 February 2012, served 1959-1979

Police Officer Kenneth H. Yackel

died 28 April 2012, served 1957-1977



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