

Monthly Report

August 2022



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September 22, 2022

ADMINISTRATION:

Staffing:

The Police Department is operating below its authorized strength of 48 sworn Officers. Staffing and deficiencies:

- 2 Patrol Officers
- 2 SLEO III Officers

Injured Officers/Officers on Leave:

- Ofc. Richard Dow sustained a hand injury on March 11, 2022 during a training exercise. He missed eighty-five (85) days of patrol work. He was cleared for full duty on August 28, 2022.
- Ofc. Alexis Castillo transitioned to light duty on June 2, 2022 for maternity leave. She has missed forty-seven (47) days of patrol work thus far.

Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

- Effective August 3, 2022, Steffany Marroquin transferred from Parking Enforcement to Police Dispatcher.
- Effective August 5, 2022, SLEO III Jason Hamilton resigned from the North Plainfield Police Department.
- Effective August 6, 2022, Richard Padilla was hired as a part-time Parking Enforcement Officer.
- Effective August 22, 2022, Lesly Cano was hired as a part-time Parking Enforcement Officer.

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A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On August 10, 2022 at 1630 hrs., patrol responded to a business on Route 22 for an active dispute. The complainant reported that her daughter texted her and told her that the father of her child assaulted her and sent her a picture of a black eye. Patrol responded to that room and after knocking on the door, the couple exited the room and the male party attempted to leave with their child. Both parties were stopped and separated. According to the victim, she and the father of her child were arguing when he pushed her down to the ground, striking and slapping her in the face. He then wrapped a shirt around her neck in an attempt to strangle her. The victim had a black eye and contusion on the top of her head. The suspect was placed under arrest and charged with second degree aggravated assault. The Judge found probable cause for the charge and also granted a TRO. The suspect was placed in the Somerset County Jail.

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On August 30, 2022 at 1031 hrs., patrol was dispatched to a car dealership on Route 22 for a report of theft. The general manager stated that sometime between 9:30pm on August 29th and 9:45am on August 30th, someone stole the hood, front bumper, front grille, and both headlights from a silver vehicle. The hinges for the hood were also damaged. The value of the stolen items and damage exceeds \$8,000.00. Video footage of this incident was captured from the business's security cameras, which show an unknown individual driving a white SUV enter the lot and take the items off of the car.

On August 31, 2022 at 1104 hrs., a borough resident came into headquarters to report a fraud. He is a driver for a transportation company and he was contacted earlier this month through one of the apps with an advertisement to wrap his car with a business logo and in return he would be paid \$500.00. The victim was unable to recall which company had contacted him. He responded to the advertisement and received a cashier's check in the amount of \$3,920.00. The victim then opened a checking account with a local bank and deposited the check. He received a letter via mail asking for proof of the deposit in exchange for a \$200.00 gift card, to which he complied. The bank then contacted and told him that the check did not clear and that he was a victim of a scam.

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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:

A comparison of Adult incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	103	635
Closed	44	334
Active	11	28
Suspended	48	268
Unfounded	7	53
Forwarded to SCPO	2	28

A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	8	133
Closed	7	130
Active	1	2
Suspended	0	13
Unfounded	0	11
Forwarded to other Agencies	4	32

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Community Outreach

The Community Policing Unit made sixteen (16) first time alarm notifications and eighteen (18) general alarm notifications. Sgt. Domizi assisted in numerous translations for both patrol & CID. Lt. Ciempola, Sgt. Domizi, and Det. DeJesus attended National Night Out and most of those activities were organized by Sgt. Domizi. Sgt. Domizi and Det. DeJesus continued the STEP program through August 11, 2022.

Narcotics Strike Force

The Task Force Officer attended High Risk Entry Training at Fort Indian Town Gap, PA. He assisted the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office with the execution of a search warrant in North Plainfield, which yielded heroin and crack cocaine. He made undercover buys in Franklin, Manville, Bound Brook, Edison, and Somerville. He also conducted sixteen (16) hours of surveillance regarding possible narcotics activity in North Plainfield.

Other Matters

CID tracked seven (7) Handle with Care notifications made to the school district. CID conducted eleven (11) licensing investigations in August (10-Firearms, 1-Limousine Background).

Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Detectives made several appearances in Grand Jury.

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS: During the month of August, there were no internal affairs complaints filed.

PATROL DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	16,401	120,129
Miles on unmarked patrol	0	1,347
Total miles on patrol	16,401	136,530

Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	3	29
Moving Hazardous Violation	78	546

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Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	133	1,551
Ordinance Violation	3	125
Parking Violation	89	1,126
Seatbelt	10	140
Radar	20	266
Refusal Breath Test	1	8
Child Restraints	3	33
Reckless Driving	6	35
Cell Phone	43	376
Careless Driving	30	198
Suspended License	21	175
Written Warnings	391	3,204
Totals	831	7,812

Radar Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT
Brook Avenue	1 Hour
Clinton Avenue	22.5 Hours
Columbia Avenue	2 Hours
Grove Street	16 Hours
Leland Avenue	7 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	3 Hours
Norwood Avenue	14 Hours
Rock Avenue	1 Hour
Rt 22E/Gray	2 Hours
Rt 22E/North	2 Hours
Rt 22E/Somerset	3 Hours
Rt 22E/Watchung	9 Hours
Rt 22E/Westervelt	6 Hours
Rt 22E/Wilson	2 Hours
Rt 22W/Maple	5 Hours
Rt 22W/North Dr	10.5 Hours
Somerset Street	16.5 Hours
Warfield Road	2 Hours
Washington Avenue	4 Hours
Watchung Avenue	1 Hour
West End Avenue	2 Hours
Westervelt Avenue	8 Hours
Total Radar Posts	232
Total Radar Hours	139.5 Hours
Total Radar Enforcement	189

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Radar Speed Recorder:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Greenbrook Road	08/01/22-08/04/22
Watchung Avenue	08/01/22-08/05/22
Brook Avenue	08/11/22-08/18/22
Grove Street	08/11/22-08/18/22
Ayres Avenue	08/19/22-08/26/22
Parkview Avenue	08/19/22-08/26/22
Oneida Avenue	08/29/22-08/31/22
Westervelt Avenue	08/29/22-08/31/22

School Enforcement:

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

Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Grandview Avenue	08/01/22-08/12/22
Jefferson Avenue	08/01/22-08/12/22
Washington Avenue	08/01/22-08/12/22
Oneida Avenue	08/01/22-08/26/22
Belmont Avenue	08/12/22-08/26/22
Cedar Street	08/12/22-08/26/22
Fairview Avenue	08/12/22-08/26/22
Jackson Avenue	08/26/22-08/31/22
Maple Avenue	08/26/22-08/31/22
Norwood Avenue	08/26/22-08/31/22
Sycamore Avenue	08/26/22-08/31/22

Miscellaneous Information:

- We responded to 116 rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 250 building or premise checks.
- We investigated 74 general alarms.
- We made 663 motor vehicle stops.
- We conducted 106 walking beats.
- We conducted 19 school checks.

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- The police department recorded a total of 4,057 incidents.
- BWC videos and CAD entries were reviewed by the Patrol Division Commander.

Parking Enforcement Report:

Tickets:	Title 39		Meter Related		Total	
	Month / YTD		Month / YTD		Month / YTD	
Totals	276	1,673	284	1,524	560	3,197

Meters		Permits		Total Revenue	
Monthly / YTD		Monthly / YTD		Monthly / YTD	
11,619.85	81,614.81	1,100.00	14,620.00	12,719.85	96,234.81

Monthly Accident Totals

Accidents for the Month: 80

Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	0
Hazardous	36	Non-Hazardous	6
Alcohol Related	0		

Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable	23	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	0
Boro Streets-Reportable	42	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	0
Private Property-Reportable	15	Private Property Non-Reportable	0
Total Reportable Accidents	80	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	0

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	14
Persons Injured	20
Fatal Accidents	0

Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 600

Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	4	Driving While Intoxicated	12
Hazardous	212	Non-Hazardous	100
Alcohol Related	1		

Breakdown of Reportable and Non-Reportable

Rt 22-Reportable	192	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	3
Boro Streets-Reportable	304	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	3
Private Property-Reportable	93	Private Property Non-Reportable	5

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Total Reportable Accidents 589 Total Non-Reportable Accidents 11

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries 108

Persons Injured 152

Fatal Accidents 0

Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic conducted collections & escorted parking to the bank - 8 hrs.
- Traffic conducted monthly alcotest maintenance.
- On August 23, 2022, Traffic Safety conducted a mobile inspection detail with MVC MIT. A total of 46 vehicles came through the checkpoint. There were 29 vehicles that passed, 13 that failed, and there were 4 new vehicles. A total of 27 summonses and 10 warnings were issued during the detail.
- Sgt. Kardos and Parking Enforcement conducted meter repairs.
- Two new Parking Enforcement Officers were hired and trained this month.

SERVICE DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$592.45	\$3,566.05
Calls for Service/Responses	4,057	29,130
Discovery Requests	56	365
Report Requests	20	772
Pieces of Evidence/Property	28	292

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	1
Rape	0	6
Robbery	1	9
Assault, Agg:	1	9
Assault Simple	11	125
Burglary	2	19
Larceny	36	173
M.V. Theft	6	17
Arson	0	1
Domestic Violence	21	194
Bias Incidents	0	2

Monthly Arrest Analysis

	Month		YTD	
	Adult	Juv	Adult	Juv
Murder	0	0	3	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	1	0

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Robbery	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	1	0	7	0
Burglary	0	0	2	0
Larceny/Theft	1	0	8	4
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	3	0	35	1
Arson	0	0	0	0
Forgery	0	0	0	0
Fraud	0	0	2	0
Embezzlement	0	0	1	0
Stolen Property	0	0	4	0
Criminal Mischief	0	0	2	0
Weapons	0	1	4	1
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0
Violation of Drug Laws	1	0	6	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	0	0
Driving Under the Influence	3	0	27	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	6	0
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	0
All Other Offenses	1	0	25	1
Total UCR Arrests for Month	10	1	133	7
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	5	0	72	2
Grand Total Arrests for Month	15	1	205	9

- **1 Juvenile Arrest for the Month**

Respectfully submitted,

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