

# Monthly Report

## January 2020



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February 25, 2020

## ADMINISTRATION:

### Staffing:

The Police Department is operating below its authorized strength of 48 sworn Officers and 6 full-time civilian personnel. Staffing and deficiencies:

- 1 Lieutenant's position
- 1 Patrol Officer

### Injured Officers/Officers on Leave:

- Officer Jean-Baptiste was placed on administrative leave March 6, 2017, due to a complaint requiring an investigation. As of January 31, 2020, he was out of work for 665 days.
- Officer Roberto DeJesus was injured on duty on August 2, 2019 during a motor vehicle stop. As of January 27, 2020, he was cleared for light duty. He was out of patrol type work for 102 days.
- Officer Jesus Medina went out on sick leave with an off-duty injury on January 12, 2020. He has been out of work for 11 days.

### Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

- There were no promotions, new hires or retirements during January of 2020.

## CID Monthly Report

### A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On January 8, 2020 at approximately 3:00 AM, police responded to an apartment located on Somerset Street after receiving a 911 call reporting a possible stabbing. On arrival, police found two victims bleeding from various stab and slash wounds. Police discovered through investigation that this was actually a domestic dispute that was elevated when one subject armed themselves with a knife. The female victim told officers that her husband had attacked her and then used the weapon on himself. The female victim applied for and was granted a temporary protection order (TRO) from a Judge. The male suspect admitted to police during an interview that he had attacked his wife and then used the knife on himself. The Somerset County Prosecutor's Office authorized charges of aggravated assault against the suspect and he was lodged in the Somerset County Jail awaiting a hearing.

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On January 14, 2020 at approximately 2:00 AM, patrol officers responded to Sandford Ave on the report of a vehicle that had been burglarized. As officers were on scene it was discovered that several other vehicles in the immediate area had also been burglarized. Detectives responded and began collecting video surveillance from multiple residences in the area that showed two suspects had been responsible for the burglaries. Police were also able to track the suspects as they used stolen credit cards to make purchases at various local businesses. Police were able to identify two female suspects that reside in Plainfield, New Jersey. The suspects were located and transported to police headquarters where they agreed to provide statements to police. In a post Miranda statement, both suspects admitted to burglarizing over 30 vehicles in North Plainfield & Plainfield during the months of December and January. The Somerset County Prosecutor's Office was contacted and charges were authorized against both defendants for 3rd degree burglary and 3rd degree theft. The matter has been scheduled for Superior Court.

On January 26, 2020 at approximately 10:15 PM, officers responded to a business located along Route 22 West on the report of a female lying in the parking lot next to a parked vehicle. On arrival, officers found a semi-conscious female suffering from an apparent single gunshot wound to the chest. EMS was summoned and officers quickly located a loaded handgun near the female. Officers provided lifesaving measures to the victim by applying direct pressure to the wound. The scene was secured and investigators responded to examine the evidence as the victim was rushed to a trauma center for her injuries. The victim unfortunately expired during surgery at the hospital from her injuries. Investigators located evidence in and around the vehicle that indicated the victim had died from a single self-inflicted gunshot wound. The investigation entailed collecting video surveillance, phone records, and post mortem reports.

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### CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:

#### A comparison of Adult incident reports:

|                   | Month | YTD |
|-------------------|-------|-----|
| Investigated      | 95    | 95  |
| Closed            | 50    | 50  |
| Active            | 14    | 14  |
| Suspended         | 31    | 31  |
| Unfounded         | 6     | 6   |
| Forwarded to SCPO | 10    | 10  |

#### A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

|              | Month | YTD |
|--------------|-------|-----|
| Investigated | 28    | 28  |

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|-----------------------------|----|----|
| Closed                      | 21 | 21 |
| Active                      | 5  | 5  |
| Suspended                   | 2  | 2  |
| Unfounded                   | 1  | 1  |
| Forwarded to other Agencies | 15 | 15 |

### Community Outreach

The Community Policing unit made seventeen (17) calls to the senior citizens enrolled in the Good Morning program, and sent out (46) first time false alarm activation notices. Det. Domizi assisted in numerous translations for both patrol & CID. Det. Fowler retired from NPPD on January 31st. Det. Ryan Mote has already begun teaching GREAT & DARE to our students. Det. Mote has officially begun his assignment as the new School Resource Officer.

### Narcotics Strike Force

During the month of January, the Task Force Officer conducted 12 man hours of dedicated narcotics surveillance in North Plainfield. The Task Force Officer & Strike Force also conducted controlled narcotics purchases in North Plainfield on at least two dates in January.

### Other Matters

Detectives investigated seven (7) licensing/background applications during the month of January, (2- Firearms, 2- Coin Operated Amusement, 1- Raffle, 1- Limousine Owner and 1- Vendor). In January, CID obtained a vehicle exclusively for undercover use by the department. The vehicle will be switched out frequently throughout the year. In January, members of CID attended a meeting regarding the usage and implementation of the E-Agent Web-Based Software which will replace NCIC 2000 and CJIS in the near future. Lt. McKay attended the annual law Enforcement & Educator's Conference which emphasized the Standard Response protocol. Lt. McKay registered two Megan's Law offenders during the month of January. Detectives attended mandatory agency training on January 10, 2020 on topics covering workplace harassment. Lt. McKay attended the quarterly SART Board meeting on January 21, 2020.

### Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Det. Mazza appeared in Grand Jury on January 17, 2020, and Det. Everett appeared in Grand Jury on January 22, 2020. Both cases were voted True Bill by the Grand Jury and indictments were handed down.

Milton Chrisp pled guilty to burglary and is presently awaiting sentencing in Superior Court. Michael Poltorak pled guilty to a 2009 robbery and is also awaiting sentencing.

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**INTERNAL AFFAIRS:** During the month of January 2020, the police department logged three Internal Affairs complaints which were handled by Lt. Ciempola.

| <b>Investigation #</b> | <b>Classification</b> | <b>Disposition</b> | <b>Corrective Action</b> |
|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| 20-01                  | Rule Violation        | Sustained          | Sanction R&R             |
| 20-02                  | Rule Violation        | Pending            | N/A                      |
| 20-03                  | Rule Violation        | Sustained          | Sanction R&R             |

### PATROL DIVISION:

|                          | Month  | YTD    |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| Miles on marked patrol   | 16,724 | 16,724 |
| Miles on unmarked patrol | 100    | 100    |
| Total miles on patrol    | 16,824 | 16,824 |

### Traffic summonses issued:

| Type of summonses               | Month | YTD |
|---------------------------------|-------|-----|
| Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) | 3     | 3   |
| Moving Hazardous Violation      | 51    | 51  |
| Moving Non-Hazardous Violation  | 102   | 102 |
| Ordinance Violation             | 2     | 2   |
| Parking Violation               | 127   | 127 |
| Seatbelt                        | 14    | 14  |
| Radar                           | 21    | 21  |
| Refusal Breath Test             | 0     | 0   |
| Child Restraints                | 7     | 7   |
| Reckless Driving                | 3     | 3   |
| Cell Phone                      | 1     | 1   |
| Careless Driving                | 21    | 21  |
| Suspended License               | 32    | 32  |
| Written Warnings                | 318   | 318 |
| Totals                          | 702   | 702 |

### Radar Posts:

| STREET          | TIME SPENT |
|-----------------|------------|
| Brook Avenue    | 2 Hours    |
| Clinton Avenue  | 29 Hours   |
| Craig Place     | 2 Hours    |
| Greenbrook Road | 11 Hours   |

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|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Grove Street            | 25 Hours  |
| Leland Avenue           | 21 Hours  |
| Mountain Avenue         | 1 Hour    |
| Myrtle Avenue           | 10 Hours  |
| Netherwood Avenue       | 2 Hours   |
| Norwood Avenue          | 21 Hours  |
| Route 22                | 23 Hours  |
| Rock Avenue             | 4 Hours   |
| Somerset Street         | 14 Hours  |
| Warfield Road           | 6 Hours   |
| Washington Avenue       | 7 Hours   |
| Watchung Avenue         | 12 Hours  |
| West End Avenue         | 7 Hours   |
| Westervelt Avenue       | 1 Hour    |
| Radar Posts Highlighted | 198 Hours |
| Total Radar Posts       | 198       |
| Total Radar Hours       | 227 Hours |

### School Enforcement:

| SCHOOL            | TIME SPENT |
|-------------------|------------|
| East End School   | 6 Hours    |
| Somerset School   | 5.5 Hours  |
| Stonybrook School | 7.5 Hours  |
| West End School   | 9.5 Hours  |
| High School       | 6 Hours    |
| College Achieve   | 2 Hours    |

### Speed Sign:

| STREET            | LENGTH OF TIME    |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Brook Avenue      | 01/01/20-01/15/20 |
| Grandview Avenue  | 01/01/20-01/15/20 |
| Manning Avenue    | 01/15/20-01/31/20 |
| Myrtle Avenue     | 01/01/20-01/31/20 |
| Parkview Avenue   | 01/01/20-01/15/20 |
| Warfield Road     | 01/15/20-01/31/20 |
| Westervelt Avenue | 01/15/20-01/31/20 |

### Miscellaneous Information:

- We responded to 88 rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 80 building or premise checks.
- We conducted 49 interior school checks.
- We conducted 1 walking beat.

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- We investigated 54 general alarms.
- We made 221 motor vehicle stops.

## Parking Enforcement Report:

| Tickets: | Title 39    |             | Meter Related |             | Total       |             |
|----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|          | Month / YTD | Month / YTD | Month / YTD   | Month / YTD | Month / YTD | Month / YTD |
| Totals   | 261         | 261         | 255           | 255         | 516         | 516         |

| Meters        |               | Permits       |               | Total Revenue |               |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Monthly / YTD | Monthly / YTD | Monthly / YTD | Monthly / YTD | Monthly / YTD | Monthly / YTD |
| 9,141.22      | 9,141.22      | 4,200.00      | 4,200.00      | 13,341.22     | 13,341.22     |

## Monthly Accident Totals

**Accidents for the Month: 83**

### Summons Issued at Accidents:

|                    |    |                           |    |
|--------------------|----|---------------------------|----|
| Refuse Breath Test | 1  | Driving While Intoxicated | 1  |
| Hazardous          | 30 | Non-Hazardous             | 17 |
| Alcohol Related    | 0  |                           |    |

### Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

|                             |    |                                 |   |
|-----------------------------|----|---------------------------------|---|
| Rt 22-Reportable            | 20 | Rt 22 Non-Reportable            | 1 |
| Boro Streets-Reportable     | 50 | Boro Streets Non-Reportable     | 3 |
| Private Property-Reportable | 8  | Private Property Non-Reportable | 1 |
| Total Reportable Accidents  | 78 | Total Non-Reportable Accidents  | 5 |

### Accident Injury Report:

|                    |    |
|--------------------|----|
| Reports W/Injuries | 9  |
| Persons Injured    | 16 |
| Fatal Accidents    | 0  |

**Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 83**

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|--------------------|----|---------------------------|----|
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| Hazardous          | 30 | Non-Hazardous             | 17 |
| Alcohol Related    | 0  |                           |    |

### Breakdown of Reportable and Non-Reportable

|                         |    |                             |   |
|-------------------------|----|-----------------------------|---|
| Rt 22-Reportable        | 20 | Rt 22 Non-Reportable        | 1 |
| Boro Streets-Reportable | 50 | Boro Streets Non-Reportable | 3 |

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|                             |    |                                 |   |
|-----------------------------|----|---------------------------------|---|
| Private Property-Reportable | 8  | Private Property Non-Reportable | 1 |
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|                    |    |
|--------------------|----|
| Reports W/Injuries | 9  |
| Persons Injured    | 16 |
| Fatal Accidents    | 0  |

Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic covered 17.5 hours as Court Officer.
- Traffic and Parking covered 64 school crossing posts.
- Traffic escorts parking collections to the bank each week - 3 hrs.
- Sgt. Kardos conducted the weekly and daily distribution of EPE jobs - 6 hrs.
- Ofc. Mote began training with Det. Fowler for his transition to SRO.
- Traffic assisted 2 residents with child seat installations.
- Sgt. Kardos responded to Bridgewater for a CART call out on 01/23/2020.
- Sgt. Kardos attended the state traffic officers meeting.
- Sgt. Kardos conducted follow up on a hit and run at Greenbrook Electronics.
- Traffic and Patrol assisted with traffic while DPW removed holiday decorations along Somerset St.
- Sgt. Kardos investigated a complaint from a resident that a school bus was not stopping at the intersection of North Dr. and East Dr. No violation was observed and the complainant spoke to me on location and reported that after speaking to the bus company, the issue was resolved.

**SERVICE DIVISION:**

|                             | Month    | YTD      |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Fees Collected              | \$434.65 | \$434.65 |
| Calls for Service/Responses | 2,646    | 2,646    |
| Discovery Requests          | 37       | 37       |
| Report Requests             | 428      | 428      |
| Pieces of Evidence/Property | 68       | 68       |

| Offense        | Month | YTD |
|----------------|-------|-----|
| Homicide       | 0     | 0   |
| Rape           | 1     | 1   |
| Robbery        | 5     | 5   |
| Assault, Agg:  | 0     | 0   |
| Assault Simple | 14    | 14  |
| Burglary       | 1     | 1   |
| Larceny        | 43    | 43  |
| M.V. Theft     | 1     | 1   |



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|                   |    |    |
|-------------------|----|----|
| Arson             | 0  | 0  |
| Domestic Violence | 27 | 27 |
| Bias Incidents    | 0  | 0  |

Monthly Arrest Analysis

|                                      | Month     |          | YTD       |          |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
|                                      | Adult     | Juv      | Adult     | Juv      |
| Murder                               | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Manslaughter                         | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Rape                                 | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Robbery                              | 1         | 0        | 1         | 0        |
| Aggravated Assault                   | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Burglary                             | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Larceny/Theft                        | 7         | 0        | 7         | 0        |
| Motor Vehicle Theft                  | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Simple Assault                       | 5         | 0        | 5         | 0        |
| Arson                                | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Forgery                              | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Fraud                                | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Embezzlement                         | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Stolen Property                      | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Criminal Mischief                    | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Weapons                              | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Prostitution                         | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Sex Offenses                         | 0         | 1        | 0         | 1        |
| Violation of Drug Laws               | 6         | 1        | 6         | 1        |
| Gambling                             | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Offenses Against Family & Children   | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Driving Under the Influence          | 4         | 0        | 4         | 0        |
| Liquor Law Violations                | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Disorderly Conduct                   | 4         | 0        | 4         | 0        |
| Vagrancy                             | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| Curfew and Loitering                 | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        |
| All Other Offenses                   | 15        | 0        | 15        | 0        |
| <b>Total UCR Arrests for Month</b>   | <b>42</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>42</b> | <b>2</b> |
| Contempt of Court Arrests Other      | 33        | 0        | 33        | 0        |
| <b>Grand Total Arrests for Month</b> | <b>75</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>75</b> | <b>2</b> |

- **2 Juvenile Arrests for the Month**

Respectfully submitted,

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