# **Monthly Report**

March 2018



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#### **ADMINISTRATION:**

# Staffing:

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

- 2 police officers
- 1 Lieutenant's position
- 1 administrative assistant (Records), has been reduced to a 29 hour part-time position.

# Injured Officers:

- Officer Brid continued to work on light duty since March 27, 2017, due to surgery he had on November 3, 2016; a result of an on duty accident he had on December 9, 2014. As of March 31, he was out of work for 96 days and on light duty for 239 days.
- Officer Jean-Baptiste was placed on administrative leave March 6, 2017, due to a complaint requiring an investigation. As of March 31, he was out of work for 190 days.

## Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

Captain Gerry Clyne retired March 1, 2018. With his retirement, Detective
Lieutenant Russell Flynn was promoted to Captain, Detective Sergeant Alan
McKay was promoted to Detective Lieutenant, Detective Michael vonSpreckelsen
was promoted to Detective Sergeant and Patrolman Joseph Mazza was assigned to
the Detective Bureau.

## CID Monthly Report

## A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On March 8, 2018 at approximately 6:09pm, a North Plainfield resident reported fraudulent activity and numerous charges on his Wells Fargo debit card. The resident also indicated that he had used his card recently at the BP gas station in North Plainfield. Detectives investigated and combed through hours of video footage from the gas station as well as several subpoenaed bank and credit card records. The investigation led to a gas station employee and his accomplice who were running up hundreds of dollars in fraudulent credit card charges. The credit cards were taken from unwitting customers. The target of the investigation and his accomplice were interviewed and provided post

Miranda statements admitting guilt. The two men were both charged with  $3^{rd}$  degree theft and  $3^{rd}$  degree credit card fraud.

On March 22, 2018 at approximately 2:55am, police were called to an address on Glenside Place on the report of a domestic violence incident. The female victim told officers that she had been arguing earlier in the evening with her estranged husband. The female victim was suffering from a laceration / stab wound to her chest and she was taken to the hospital for treatment. Detectives took a formal statement from the female victim who stated she awoke to being attacked by her estranged husband who was holding a small knife. The male suspect was also interviewed and provided detectives with a statement. The male suspect was ultimately charged with 3<sup>rd</sup> degree aggravated assault, 3<sup>rd</sup> degree possession of a weapon, and 4<sup>th</sup> degree possession of a weapon for an unlawful purpose. The suspect was lodged in the county jail on a warrant.

On March 21, 2018 at approximately 2:00am, police were called to 300 Maple Ave on the report of a suspicious male breaking in a parked vehicle. Police quickly located a subject matching the description and he was found to be in possession of both CDS and a screwdriver. Police did not have enough evidence to charge the subject with burglary. The following morning CID became involved and processed the vehicle that was allegedly burglarized. Tool marks on the vehicle were matched to the screwdriver recovered by the suspect. Detectives obtained additional video footage and interviewed several additional witnesses as well as the original suspect. The suspect confessed to detectives that he did in fact burglarize the car with the screwdriver in order to steal drugs from inside the car. The suspect was charged with 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burglary, 3<sup>rd</sup> degree theft of CDS, criminal mischief & possession of burglary tools (disorderly person offense).

NOTE: We are required by the Rules of Court to include herein a statement explaining that the charges are merely an accusation and that the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

## **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:**

## A comparison of Adult incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	85	196
Closed	46	105
Active	22	31
Suspended	17	60
Unfounded	3	3
Forwarded to SCPO	14	29

## A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD	
Investigated		22	47
Closed		19	42
Active		3	5
Suspended		0	2
Unfounded		0	0
Forwarded to other Agencies		14	23

# Community Outreach

The Community Policing unit made twenty one calls to the senior citizens enrolled in the Good Morning program, and sent out 43 first time false alarm activation notices. Three false alarm warnings were also given out. Detective Domizi attended a library ESL presentation on March 12 as well as a Municipal Alliance meeting on March 27. Det. Domizi while in full uniform attended Stony Brook Career Day on March 29. Det. Domizi also assisted other detectives / officers in Spanish to English translations on various occasions throughout the month of March.

#### Narcotics Strike Force

During the month of March, the Narcotics Strike Force conducted various controlled buys in Bound Brook, New Brunswick, Somerville, Bridgewater and North Plainfield. Undercover buys were completed in Bound Brook, Somerville and New Brunswick. A "RIP" was done in New Brunswick which was the conclusion of a job that originated in Franklin. The proceeds of the "RIP" and subsequent search warrant of the residence produced 15 grams of synthetic marijuana, 30 grams of cocaine, two handguns and approximately \$800.00 in US currency. Ofc. Dow will attend Unit School from April 9<sup>th</sup> through the 13<sup>th</sup> which will be hosted at the Somerset County Fire Academy.

#### Other Matters

Detectives attended mandatory agency training on both March 6<sup>th</sup> and March 9<sup>th</sup>. Det. Segeda & Det. Everett instructed ASP baton on both aforementioned dates. Detectives attended the quarterly SCPO roundtable which is hosted at the Somerset County Fire Academy where various crime trends in and around Somerset County are discussed. Lt. McKay attended a four day Internal Affairs school which was hosted by the NJ Attorney General. Det. Segeda attended an active shooter symposium on March 15. Lt. McKay and Chief Parenti attended the Somerset County School Security Task Force meeting on March 2 which was held at the Somerset County VoTech in Bridgewater where numerous issues concerning school security were discussed. Lt. McKay and Chief Parenti attended additional school security meetings with the Superintendent and the head of school security on both March 14<sup>th</sup> and March 29<sup>th</sup>. We discussed numerous issues concerning active shooter scenarios and general security issues.

Detectives investigated a total of fourteen licensing investigations during the month of March. Five of these investigations concerned Firearms Identification cards / pistol permits, one Taxi license, three vendor licenses, two raffle licenses and one license for RAPID (secondhand dealer license). Lt. McKay completed the annual mandatory registration of a Megan's law offender.

## Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Det. Segeda appeared at Grand Jury on March 1, 2018 in the State vs Goffe. Sedean McCoy of Plainfield was sentenced to twelve years in prison for his part in a robbery / shooting which CID investigated in June of 2016. Det. Segeda testified in the Superior Court trial of State vs Williams which was a robbery / home invasion investigation that involved numerous NPPD personnel and detectives. Antoinette Papariello was sentenced to three years in state prison for her role in an eluding / aggravated assault investigation from February 2017.

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## PATROL DIVISION: MONTHLY REPORT MARCH 2018

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	15,009	45,309
Miles on unmarked patrol	846	3,059
Total miles on patrol	15,855	46,155

#### Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	2	8
Moving Hazardous Violation	58	139
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	109	366
Ordinance Violation	7	10
Parking Violation	162	414
Seatbelt	7	25
Radar	8	35
Refusal Breath Test	2	4
Child Restraints	5	12
Reckless Driving	0	4
Cell Phone	2	7
Careless Driving	23	54
Suspended License	24	90
Written Warnings	349	1,291
Totals	758	2,459

# Radar Posts

STREET	TIME SPENT
Clinton Avenue	21 Hours
Greenbrook Road	9 Hours
Grove Street	23 Hours
Leland Avenue	6 Hours
Mountain Avenue	4 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	6 Hours
Norwood Avenue	4 Hours
Route 22	15 Hours
Somerset Street	18 Hours
Warfield Road	4 Hours
Watchung Avenue	8Hours
West End Avenue	6 Hours
Westervelt Avenue	3 Hours
Radar Posts Highlighted	127 Hours
Total Radar Posts	163
Total Radar Hours	223

# School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	16 Hours
Somerset School	9 Hours
Stonybrook School	15 Hours
West End School	12.5 Hours
High School	25 Hours
Charter School	6 Hours

# Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Watchung Ave.	03/01/18-03/16/18
Farragut Road	03/01/18-03/16/18
Lawrence Ave.	03/01/18-03/16/18
Rockview Terr.	03/01/18-03/16/18
Leland Ave.	03/16/18-03/31/18
Brook Ave.	03/16/18-03/31/18
Parkview Ave.	03/16/18-03/31/18
Jefferson Ave.	03/16/18-03/31/18

# Miscellaneous Information:

- Unmarked patrol was conducted in the borough for a total of 143 hours covering a total of 846 miles.
- We conducted 63 building or premise checks.
- We investigated 66 General alarms.
- We made 342 Motor Vehicle Stops.

- During two large snow events including a Nor'easter patrol units spent approximately 185 man-hours on tree and wire down calls.
- The police department recorded a total of 2,507 incidents.

# Parking Enforcement Report:

Ticket	s:	Title 39		Meter Related		Total	
	Mor	nth /	YTD	Month /	YTD I	Month /	YTD
	Totals	189	594	287	759	476	1,353

Mete	ers	Permits		Total Revenu	ie
Monthly	/ YTD	Monthly	/ YTD	Monthly /	YTD
9,468.56	26,052.40	120.00	4,990.00	9,588.56	31,042.40

# Monthly Accident Totals March 2018

Accidents for the Month: 10	15
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## **Summons Issued at Accidents:**

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	0
Hazardous	26	Non Hazardous	10
Alcohol Related	0		

# Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable	25	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	6
Boro Streets- Reportable	51	Boro St Non-Reportable	9
Private Property-Reportable	9	Private Prop Non-Reportable	5
Total Reportable Accidents	85	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	20

# **Accident Injury Report:**

Reports W/Injuries	7
Persons Injured	9
Fatal Accidents	0

## Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 228

## **Summons Issued at Accidents:**

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	1
Hazardous	53	Non Hazardous	19
Alcohol	0		

# Breakdown of Reportable and Non-Reportable

Rt 22-Reportable	67	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	17
Boro Streets- Reportable	97	Boro St Non-Reportable	14
Private Property-Reportable	22	Private Prop Non-Reportable	11
Total Reportable Accidents	186	Total Non-Reportable	42
Accident Injury Report:			
Reports W/Injuries	18		
Persons Injured	27		

## Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

• Traffic covered 9 crossing posts

**Fatal Accidents** 

- Parking covered 6 crossing posts.
- Traffic cover 16 hours as court Officer.
- Sgt. Kardos assisted a resident with child seat installation.

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- Sgt. Kardos along with Det. Domizi visited with the ESL class at the Library.
- Sgt. Kardos conducted follow up on hit and run 18-4425

## **Service Division**

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$601.25	\$1,386.40
Calls for Service/Responses	2,507	6,934
Discovery Requests	11	44
Report Requests	228	719
Pieces of Evidence/ Property	46	112

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	0
Rape	0	2
Robbery	0	1
Assault, Agg:	1	1
Assault Simple	16	34
Burglary	3	9
Larceny	24	60
M.V. Theft	0	4
Arson	0	0
Domestic Violence	17	40
Bias Incidents	0	0

Monthly Arrest Analysis	nly Arrest Analysis Month		YTD		
·	Adult/Juv		Adult/Juv		
Murder	0	0	0	0	
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	
Rape	0	0	1	0	
Robbery	0	0	0	0	
Aggravated Assault	1	0	2	0	
Burglary	1	0	2	0	
Larceny/Theft	0	0	0	0	
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	
Simple Assault	4	0	11	0	
Arson	0	0	0	0	
Forgery	0	0	1	0	
Fraud	1	0	2	0	
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	
Stolen Property	2	0	2	0	
Criminal Mischief	0	0	1	0	
Weapons	1	0	1	1	
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0	
Violation of Drug Laws	12	0	37	0	
Gambling	0	0	0	0	
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	0	0	
Driving Under the Influence	2	0	8	0	
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0	
Disorderly Conduct	1	0	3	2	
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0	
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	0	
All Other Offenses	4	0	31	0	
Total UCR Arrests for Month	29	0	101	3	
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	29	0	116	0	
Grand Total Arrests for Month	58	0	217	3	

0 Juvenile Arrest for the Month

Respectfully submitted,

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