

Monthly Report

November 2022



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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. Alexis Castillo transitioned to light duty on June 2, 2022 for maternity leave. She has missed ninety-two (92) days of patrol work thus far.
- Sgt. Donald Everett has been out of work since July 27, 2022 for a non-work related surgery. He returned to light duty on September 14, 2022. He has missed sixty-four (64) days of patrol work thus far.
- Ofc. Robert Kropewnicki has been out of work since October 3, 2022 for a non-work related surgery. He has missed forty-six (46) days of patrol work thus far.
- Det. William Parenti Jr. was involved in a motor vehicle accident on November 9, 2022. He has missed sixteen (16) days of work thus far.

Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

- Dispatcher Steffany Marroquin was hired as a Probationary Police Officer on November 21, 2022. She will be attending the police academy in January.

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A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On November 3, 2022, officers responded to Clinton Avenue on a report of a fight involving a knife. Upon their arrival, they met with a victim who related that he was robbed by two (2) Hispanic males. The victim was chased down by two males on bicycles and a fight ensued. The suspects produced a knife and demanded his \$500.00 necklace. The victim suffered a minor cut on his left arm and was transported to a hospital for treatment. The suspects, who the victim knew only by their "street names", told officers and detectives that he would be able to identify them again if he were to see them. Patrol units canvassed the area, but were unable to locate the suspects. Detectives followed up on the case and identified two suspects who were interviewed about the robbery and later charged. One suspect was charged with first degree robbery and his accomplice was charged with second degree robbery. They were lodged in the Somerset County Jail.

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On November 11, 2022 at 1038 hrs., patrol and detectives responded to the area of Myrtle Avenue and Willow Avenue for a report of an unattended child walking alone. The male child was wearing a jacket but no shoes and was later identified as a two year old Plainfield resident. Multiple units and detectives responded to the area and went door to door to search for the child's parent. The child was transported to police headquarters until contact could be made with his parents. At some point, the mother of the child called headquarters. She advised that she was on her way from her job. Two investigators from the DCP&P Somerset Office responded. The child's mother arrived a short time later and provided a copy of the child's birth certificate. When the child saw his mother, he immediately recognized her and hugged her and she began to cry. The mother advised that she normally leaves her child at a daycare in Plainfield but the day care was closed due to Veterans Day. A friend recommended a care provider on Washington Avenue. The child's mother took her child to that residence to be taken care of while she left for work. DCP&P is investigating the care provider.

On November 23, 2022 at 1216 hrs., a Plainfield resident walked into headquarters and reported that there was possibly a deceased male somewhere in the area of Police Headquarters. It was determined that the deceased male was behind a business on Somerset Street. An officer located the male victim who was clearly deceased. The victim was initially underneath a garbage dumpster and was lying face down with what appeared to be blood trailing from his face. A death scene was established. Near the victim were 3 empty containers of beer and male clothing. The Somerset County Prosecutor's Office Major Crimes Unit was notified. The witness came to the scene and told the officers as he was returning to his vehicle after lunch, he observed the male victim on the ground, in close proximity to his car. NPFED EMS and paramedics arrived on scene at 1230 hrs. The victim was pronounced dead at 1247 hrs. The N.J. Medical Examiner's Office was notified and responded and processed the scene. The Medical Examiner took possession of the male victim's body at 1505 hrs. A surveillance video showed the male walking to the rear of the dumpster at approximately 1038 hrs., where he proceeded to consume a beer. At approximately 1045 hrs., the male collapsed in the spot he was later found. Efforts are still underway to identify the victim.

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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:

A comparison of Adult incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	89	873
Closed	28	392
Active	9	23
Suspended	52	406
Forwarded to SCPO	5	39

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A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	11	175
Closed	3	158
Active	3	6
Suspended	0	14
Forwarded to other Agencies	4	42

Community Outreach

The Community Policing Unit made eleven (11) first time alarm notifications and seventeen (17) general alarm notifications. D/Sgt. Domizi assisted in numerous translations for both patrol & CID. Lt. Ciempola and D/Sgt. Domizi attended the North Plainfield Community Forum and D/Sgt. Domizi attended the Municipal Alliance meeting and several Domestic Violence work group meetings.

Narcotics Strike Force

The Task Force Officer was assigned to a Title III wiretap in November. The Task Force also made four (4) arrests in North Plainfield. A controlled buy was made in North Plainfield and two (2) additional narcotics investigations were also opened.

Other Matters

CID tracked fourteen (14) Handle with Care notifications made to the school district. CID conducted seven (7) firearms licensing investigations in November. Lt. Ciempola conducted two (2) sex offender registrations.

Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Detectives made several appearances in Grand Jury.

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

PATROL DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	16,181	185,483
Miles on unmarked patrol	0	1,357
Total miles on patrol	16,181	186,840

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Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	3	39
Moving Hazardous Violation	45	720
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	136	1,958
Ordinance Violation	1	138
Parking Violation	145	1,529
Seatbelt	3	147
Radar	34	356
Refusal Breath Test	0	9
Child Restraints	3	47
Reckless Driving	2	47
Cell Phone	1	381
Careless Driving	26	269
Suspended License	21	223
Written Warnings	320	4,299
Totals	740	10,162

Radar Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT
Clinton Avenue	53 Hours
Greenbrook Road	1 Hour
Grove Street	6 Hours
Leland Avenue	15 Hours
Mountain Avenue	4 Hours
Norwood Avenue	14 Hours
Richard Way	2 Hours
Rock Avenue	2 Hours
Rt 22 E/Gray	4 Hours
Rt 22E/Jefferson	5 Hours
Rt 22E/Maple	2 Hours
Rt 22E/Watchung	12 Hours
Rt 22E/Westervelt	6 Hours
Rt 22E/Wilson	1 Hour
Rt 22W/Grove	1 Hour
Rt 22W/Maple	3 Hours
Rt 22W/North	8 Hours
Rt 22W/Watchung	2 Hours
Rt 22W/West End	2 Hours
Rt 22W/Wilson	4.5 Hours
Somerset Street	15 Hours
Warfield Road	1 Hour
Washington Avenue	14 Hours

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Watchung Avenue	5 Hours
West End Avenue	1 Hour
Total Radar Posts	193
Total Radar Hours	183.5 Hours
Total Radar Enforcement	139

Radar Speed Recorder:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Farragut Road	11/01/22-11/08/22
Greenbrook Road	11/01/22-11/08/22
Mountain Avenue	11/11/22-11/21/22
Netherwood Avenue	11/11/22-11/21/22
West End Avenue N	11/21/22-11/29/22
West End Avenue S	11/21/22-11/29/22

School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	29 Hours
High School	3 Hours
Somerset School	8.5 Hours
Stonybrook School	13 Hours
West End School	17.5 Hours
TOTAL	71 Hours

Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Brook Avenue	11/01/22-11/11/22
Parkview Avenue	11/02/22-11/11/22
Washington Avenue	11/01/22-11/11/22
Watchung Avenue S	11/01/22-11/11/22
Farragut Road	11/11/22-11/30/22
Rockview Avenue	11/11/22-11/30/22
Watchung Avenue N	11/11/22-11/30/22
West End Avenue	11/11/22-11/30/22

Miscellaneous Information:

- We responded to 104 rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 344 building or premise checks.
- We investigated 37 general alarms.
- We made 484 motor vehicle stops.
- We conducted 5 walking beats.

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- We conducted 75 school checks.
- We conducted 96 park checks.
- The police department recorded a total of 3,630 incidents.
- BWC videos and CAD entries were reviewed by the Patrol Division Commander.
- Three patrol car MVA After Action Reviews were conducted.

Parking Enforcement Report:

Tickets:	Title 39		Meter Related		Total	
	Month / YTD		Month / YTD		Month / YTD	
Totals	382	2,805	363	2,667	745	5,472

Meters		Permits		Total Revenue	
Monthly / YTD		Monthly / YTD		Monthly / YTD	
12,408.34	115,240.35	700.00	16,900.00	13,108.34	132,137.35

Monthly Accident Totals

Accidents for the Month: 96

Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	3
Hazardous	37	Non-Hazardous	17
Alcohol Related	0		

Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable	34	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	0
Boro Streets-Reportable	50	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	0
Private Property-Reportable	9	Private Property Non-Reportable	3
Total Reportable Accidents	93	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	3

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	10
Persons Injured	15
Fatal Accidents	0

Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 868

Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	4	Driving While Intoxicated	18
Hazardous	314	Non-Hazardous	150
Alcohol Related	1		

Breakdown of Reportable and Non-Reportable

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Rt 22-Reportable	289	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	4
Boro Streets-Reportable	436	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	4
Private Property-Reportable	123	Private Property Non-Reportable	12
Total Reportable Accidents	848	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	20

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	154
Persons Injured	213
Fatal Accidents	0

Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic conducted collections & escorted parking to the bank - 8 hrs.
- Traffic conducted monthly alcotest maintenance.
- Sgt. Kardos and Parking Enforcement conducted meter repairs.
- Traffic investigated/conducted follow ups on 3 hit and run accidents.
- Traffic conducted selective enforcement on North/Rt 22 for no left turns - 1.5 hours.
- On November 29th, Traffic Safety conducted a mobile inspection detail with MVC MIT. A total of 46 vehicles came through the checkpoint. There were 30 vehicles that passed, 11 that failed, and there were 5 new vehicles. A total of 29 summonses were issued and 1 vehicle was impounded during the detail.
- Traffic attended the County Traffic Officers meeting in Hillsborough.

SERVICE DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$186.00	\$4,677.99
Calls for Service/Responses	3,711	40,819
Discovery Requests	30	476
Report Requests	13	794
Pieces of Evidence/Property	29	378

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	1
Rape	0	8
Robbery	2	13
Assault, Agg:	0	12
Assault Simple	14	165
Burglary	2	24
Larceny	27	245
M.V. Theft	4	27
Arson	0	1
Domestic Violence	21	247

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Bias Incidents	2	4
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Monthly Arrest Analysis

	Month		YTD	
	Adult/Juv	Adult/Juv	Adult/Juv	Adult/Juv
Murder	0	0	3	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	1	0
Robbery	2	0	2	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	9	1
Burglary	0	0	2	0
Larceny/Theft	1	0	11	4
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	4	0	42	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	0	5	1
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0
Violation of Drug Laws	0	0	8	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	1	0
Driving Under the Influence	4	0	35	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	1	0	9	0
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	0
All Other Offenses	2	0	29	1
Total UCR Arrests for Month	14	0	166	8
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	7	0	88	2
Grand Total Arrests for Month	21	0	254	10

- 0 Juvenile Arrests for the Month

Respectfully submitted,

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