Monthly Report

October 2018



Accreditation demonstrates the professional achievements of the men and women of this Department. This recognition further demonstrates our collective dedication to excellence in professional Law Enforcement. By voluntarily meeting New Jersey Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission standards, the North Plainfield Police Department has shown itself willing to be held to a higher level of professionalism, building trust between the Department and the citizens it serves

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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:

- 1 police officer
- 1 Lieutenant's position

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Injured Officers:

- Officer Jean-Baptiste was placed on administrative leave March 6, 2017, due to a complaint requiring an investigation. As of October 31, he was out of work for 330 days.
- Officer Francis Steinhauser was injured during the course of a psychiatric evaluation call and was put on light duty on May 18, 2018. As of October 31, he has been out of work for 100 days.

Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

• There were no promotions, hires or retirements during October of 2018.

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A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On October 4, 2018 at approximately 4:00 PM the BP gas station located on RT 22 east reported the theft of cash from the kiosk. It was reported to police that the suspect had stolen approximately \$600.00 in cash as attendants were servicing customers outside. Police obtained surveillance footage from the station and issued a BOLO (be on the lookout) to surrounding law enforcement agencies. Police soon identified a 24 year old Plainfield resident as the suspect. The suspect was wearing distinctive clothing during the theft and police were able to identify him wearing the same clothing as on his social media account. The case was forwarded to the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office and 3rd degree burglary and theft charges were authorized. The suspect is awaiting trial.

On October 10, 2018 at approximately 11:30 AM the Capital One bank located on RT 22 west had been defrauded of just under \$3,000.00. The male suspect had fraudulently used another person's identity to open a bank account and deposit several fraudulent checks. Police were able to track the checks origin by submitting several subpoenas to various financial institutions. Police also obtained surveillance footage and quickly identified the suspect as a 23 year old North Plainfield resident. Police learned that the suspect had committed this identical crime in other jurisdictions. Police contacted the Somerset

County Prosecutor's Office and obtained charges of 3rd degree forgery and 3rd degree uttering. The suspect is awaiting trial.

On October 20, 2018 at approximately 10:30 AM police received a 911 call reporting a subject inside a Sycamore Avenue residence with a knife. Police arrived and quickly detained two subjects that were believed to be involved. The alleged victim initially told police his home was burglarized by a female who then armed herself with a knife and fled with his computer. Police interviewed the female who told a completely different story telling police she had been invited into the home by the alleged victim. Police finally unraveled the story and learned the alleged male victim had in fact invited the female into his home but they soon argued and the female fled the residence to get away from the male. The story about the knife had been completely fabricated. The male admitted to police that he lied in a post Miranda statement and he was ultimately charged with Obstruction of Justice and was released pending a court date.

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	69	745
Closed	48	448
Active	11	35
Suspended	10	262
Unfounded	9	30
Forwarded to SCPO	4	68

A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	29	177
Closed	27	169
Active	2	4
Suspended	0	4
Unfounded	1	1
Forwarded to other Agencies	17	116

Community Outreach

The Community Policing unit made twenty five (25) calls to the senior citizens enrolled in the Good Morning program, and sent out twenty (20) first time false alarm activation notices. The unit also issued eleven (11) false alarm warnings. Det. Fowler represented

the department at Operation Kidsafe / Trunk-or-Treat which was held at North Plainfield Nissan on October 27, 2018. The event is intended to give families safety tips and to assist in creating a safety action plan. Det. Domizi attended the Community Forum meeting on October 4th as well as the North Plainfield Library ESL class held on October 29th. The Community Policing Division also gave a presentation to the Girl Scout Troop on October 18th.

Narcotics Strike Force

During the month of October, the task force officer and the OCANTF (organized crime and narcotics task force) executed search warrants in Bridgewater and Bernards Twp. resulting in the seizure of heroin, cocaine and Xanax. He attended UNIT school in Burlington County from October 15th through October 19th. The task force officer and OCANTF are currently involved in a confidential countywide investigation as of October 22nd.

Other Matters

Detectives investigated a total of four (4) separate licensing / background investigations during the month of October. The license investigations were for the following: Firearms and Limousine owner applications.

Lt. McKay completed the annual Megan's law registration on two Tier 1 offenders in North Plainfield during the month of October. Administrative staff attended the District wide School Safety Meeting held at the North Plainfield Board Office, which dealt with several issues concerning school safety and security.

Det. Mazza and Sgt. Vonspreckelsen both attended SART (sexual assault response team training) which was held at the prosecutor's office. Det. Segeda participated in monthly Dive Team training held on October 19, 2018. Sgt. Vonspreckelsen attended training geared towards the enforcement of ABC (Alcohol beverage Control) laws on October 16th and 17th. Detectives all attended the annual departmental training which included firearms and use of force which is mandated by the New Jersey Attorney General's Office. The training consists of both classroom and practical sessions.

Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Det. Mazza, Det. Domizi and Sgt. Vonspreckelsen both appeared in Grand Jury during the month of October and presented cases resulting in True Bill indictments.

Justin Johnson was sentenced to four years in state prison by the Honorable Judge Anthony Picheca. Jose Abarca-Lozano was sentenced to thirty months in state prison by the Honorable Judge Cawtherak. Noe Guardado-Cantor was sentenced to twenty seven months in state prison by the Honorable Judge Anthony Picheca. Frank Jackson was sentenced to three years in state prison by the Honorable Judge Cawtherak.

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS: During the month of October, the police department logged 1 Internal Affairs complaint. Lt. McKay investigated the complaint. We have one complaint pending from 2017.

Investigation #	Classification	Disposition	Corrective Action
18-12	Rules Violation	sustained	Pending
17-03	Criminal Act	Pending	Pending

PATROL DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	15,171	152,583
Miles on unmarked patrol	974	8,710
Total miles on patrol	16,145	161,293

Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	2	28
Moving Hazardous Violation	48	431
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	103	976
Ordinance Violation	3	113
Parking Violation	186	1,506
Seatbelt	3	131
Radar	21	141
Refusal Breath Test	1	12
Child Restraints	3	33
Reckless Driving	3	18
Cell Phone	2	75
Careless Driving	19	188
Suspended License	27	275
Written Warnings	416	3,611
Totals	837	7,538

Radar Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT
Belmont Avenue	1 Hour
Clinton Avenue	21 Hours
Greenbrook Road	17 Hours

Grove Street	24 Hours
Leland Avenue	11 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	8 Hours
Norwood Avenue	8 Hours
Rock Avenue	4 Hours
Route 22	29 Hours
Somerset Street	20 Hours
Sycamore Avenue	1 Hour
Warfield Road	14 Hours
Watchung Avenue	32 Hours
West End Avenue	9 Hours
Westervelt Avenue	4 Hour
Willow Avenue	1 Hour
Wilson Avenue	1 Hour
Radar Posts Highlighted	205 Hours
Total Radar Posts	217
Total Radar Hours	262

School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	20.5 Hours
Somerset School	6 Hours
Stonybrook School	18 Hours
West End School	21 Hours
High School	12 Hours
Charter School	9.5 Hours

Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Clinton Avenue	10/01/18-10/25/18
Lawrence Avenue	10/01/18-10/25/18
Oneida Avenue	10/01/18-10/25/18
Jackson Avenue	10/01/18-10/25/18
Brook Avenue	10/25/18-10/31/18
Myrtle Avenue	10/25/18-10/31/18
Westervelt Avenue	10/25/18-10/31/18
Lawrence Avenue	10/25/18-10/31/18

Miscellaneous Information:

- Unmarked patrol was conducted in the borough for a total of 176 hours covering a total of 974 miles.
- We responded to 102 Rescue squad calls.

- We conducted 325 building or premise checks.
- We conducted 59 School premise checks
- We conducted 75 walking beats.
- We investigated 50 General alarms.
- We made 354 Motor Vehicle Stops.

Parking Enforcement Report:

Ticket	s:	Title 39		Meter Re	elate	d	Total		
	Moı	nth /	YTD	Month	/	YTD	Month /	YTD	
	Totals	207	2,052	342		2,555	546	4,604	

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	12,407.20	107,756.60	1,860.00	12,820.00	14,267.20	120,636.60

Monthly Accident Totals

Accidents	for th	e Month	81	ĺ
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Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	1	Driving While Intoxicated	2
Hazardous	24	Non Hazardous	17
Alcohol Related	0		

Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable	25	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	3
Boro Streets- Reportable	38	Boro St Non-Reportable	2
Private Property-Reportable	9	Private Prop Non-Reportable	4
Total Reportable Accidents	72	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	9

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	12
Persons Injured	15
Fatal Accidents	0

Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 720

Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	1	Driving While Intoxicated	9
Hazardous	190	Non Hazardous	100
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Breakdown of Reportable and Non-Reportable

Rt 22-Reportable	236	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	35
Boro Streets- Reportable	300	Boro St Non-Reportable	24
Private Property-Reportable	95	Private Prop Non-Reportable	30
Total Reportable Accidents	631	Total Non-Reportable	89
Accident Injury Report:			
Reports W/Injuries	100		
Persons Injured	141		
Fatal Accidents	1		

Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic covered 16 hours as court Officer.
- Traffic and parking covered 11 school posts.
- October 31st Sgt. Kardos attended PSE&G yearly safety meeting at PSE&G, Plainfield.
- October 29th Attended and spoke with students in the ESL class held in North Plainfield Library.
- Sgt. Kardos assisted a resident with a child seat.
- October 18th Sgt. Kardos attended the Board of Education safety meeting.
- October 9th Sgt. Kardos attended the preconstruction meeting for Sandford Ave. road project.
- October 3rd Sgt. Kardos attended the State Traffic Officers meeting in Hamilton.

SERVICE DIVISION

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$276.10	\$4,332.72
Calls for Service/Responses	2,772	24,157
Discovery Requests	21	171
Report Requests	387	2,519
Pieces of Evidence/ Property	38	478

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	1
Rape	1	5
Robbery	4	15
Assault, Agg:	0	5
Assault Simple	16	123
Burglary	5	43
Larceny	16	237
M.V. Theft	1	11
Arson	0	0
Domestic Violence	27	237
Bias Incidents	0	0

Monthly Arrest Analysis Month		h	YTD	
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Murder	0	0	1	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	2	0
Robbery	0	0	1	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	9	0
Burglary	0	0	5	1
Larceny/Theft	1	0	21	5
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	3	0	42	2
Arson	0	0	0	0
Forgery	0	0	3	0
Fraud	0	0	5	0
Embezzlement	0	0	2	0
Stolen Property	0	0	2	0
Criminal Mischief	1	0	6	0
Weapons	0	0	4	1
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	2	0
Violation of Drug Laws	7	1	88	1
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	0	0
Driving Under the Influence	1	0	27	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	11	3
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	0
All Other Offenses	13	0	108	8
Total UCR Arrests for Month	36	1	339	21
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	39	0	389	0
Grand Total Arrests for Month	75	1	728	21

1 Juvenile Arrest for the Month

Respectfully submitted,

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