

Monthly Report

October 2021



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. Staffing and deficiencies:

- 3 Patrol Officers
- 1 SLEO III Officer
- 1 Parking Enforcement P/T

Injured Officers/Officers on Leave:

- Patrolman Zuena sustained a knee injury while effecting an arrest on October 7, 2021. He missed five (5) days of patrol work and returned to full duty on October 21, 2021.
- Patrolman Halsted sustained a small laceration on his elbow while effecting an arrest on October 8, 2021. He did not miss any time from work.

Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

- Effective October 21, 2021, Ptl. Francis Steinhauser was terminated from NPPD.

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A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On October 3, 2021 at 2015 hrs., a brother and sister walked into police headquarters to report that they have not heard from their sister from Colorado Springs, CO for an unusual amount of time. Patrol had that agency conduct a welfare check at her residence and there was no answer. According to the family, the sister had been having marriage problems and has not been in communication with the family. The victim was entered into NCIC as missing and a county alarm was issued. As part of a joint investigation involving this agency and agencies from Colorado and New York State, it was determined that the missing sister was the victim of a homicide in another jurisdiction.

On October 18, 2021 at 2139 hrs., a resident of Willow Avenue came to headquarters to report that on October 16, 2021 at approximately 0655 hrs., he was walking south on Washington Avenue on the west side of the street when a black 4 door vehicle traveling north on Washington Avenue pulled up and three black males exited the car. One male struck him in the head from behind with an unknown object, knocking him to the ground. The suspect then took his wallet containing \$430.00 and his ID card from Guatemala. The other two males assaulted another male on the other side of Washington Avenue. The victim had a laceration on his lip, left forearm, and right hand. He said he did not know or if the other man was robbed. CID was notified of the robbery.

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On October 31, 2021 at 1933 hrs., patrol responded to the area of a business on Route 22 East on the report of an assault victim. The NPPD EMS was also dispatched. Upon arrival, patrol located a white Ford Mustang with a male victim in it suffering from the effects of being pepper sprayed. According to the victim, he was traveling east on Route 22 East and he was being tailgated by a black Jeep Laredo. The victim pulled over in a business lot to confront the driver of the vehicle and a heavy-set white male in his fifties with a goatee exited the Jeep and asked him why he was driving like an old lady. He then called him a “racial derogatory name” before pepper spraying him and punching him in the head. The suspect then returned to his vehicle and fled east on Route 22. CID was notified. A bias incident offense report was filed in the case. A second incident occurred shortly after this incident on Route 22 West near Watchung Avenue where a male victim was also pepper sprayed.

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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:

A comparison of Adult incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	98	908
Closed	55	515
Active	11	41
Suspended	32	315
Unfounded	4	52
Forwarded to SCPO	6	58

A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	18	122
Closed	15	116
Active	2	3
Suspended	0	2
Unfounded	1	14
Forwarded to other Agencies	4	49

Community Outreach

The Community Policing Unit made seven (7) calls to the senior citizens enrolled in the Good Morning Program, and sent out fifteen (15) first time false alarm activation notices and fourteen (14) false alarm notices. Sgt. Domizi assisted in numerous translations for both patrol & CID.

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Narcotics Strike Force

The Task Force Officer reported that in October, he worked on narcotics investigations in North Plainfield, including an undercover controlled buy and a rip at a business on Somerset Street. He also worked the Quality of Life detail in the Somerset section of Franklin Township and made other controlled buys in Somerville. The unit also executed a search warrant at a residence on Craig Place, arrested a subject, and seized a large amount of cocaine. The subject was charged with 2 counts of distribution near a school.

Other Matters

CID tracked 16 Handle with Care notifications made to the school district. Lt. Ciempola handled four Megan's Law re-registrations.

Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Superior Court was open, however, none of our cases have come up on the calendar yet. Detectives made several appearances in Grand Jury.

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS: During the month of October 2021, the police department investigated the following Internal Affairs complaints.

Investigation #	Classification	Disposition	Corrective Action
21-0011	Demeanor	Exonerated	N/A

PATROL DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	15,901	148,344
Miles on unmarked patrol	515	785
Total miles on patrol	16,416	149,129

Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	4	30
Moving Hazardous Violation	66	461
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	161	1,205
Ordinance Violation	26	83
Parking Violation	209	2,317
Seatbelt	3	98
Radar	40	412

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Refusal Breath Test	1	6
Child Restraints	1	72
Reckless Driving	7	37
Cell Phone	3	281
Careless Driving	30	197
Suspended License	24	197
Written Warnings	322	2,901
Totals	897	8,297

Radar Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT
Clinton Avenue	32 Hours
Columbia Avenue	5 Hours
Farragut Road	5 Hours
Greenbrook Road	7 Hours
Grove Street	26 Hours
Leland Avenue	5 Hours
Maple Avenue	1 Hour
Mountain Avenue	4 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	8 Hours
Norwood Avenue	40 Hours
Oneida Avenue	1 Hour
Rock Avenue	3 Hours
Route 22 East	16 Hours
Route 22 West	14 Hours
Somerset Street	28 Hours
Warfield Road	5 Hours
Washington Avenue	6 Hours
Watchung Avenue	3 Hours
West End Avenue	6 Hours
Westervelt Avenue	1 Hour
Willow Avenue	7 Hours
Total Radar Posts	233
Total Radar Hours	276 Hours
Total Radar Enforcement	170

Radar Speed Recorder:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Meadowbrook Drive	10/01/21-10/03/21
Mali Drive	10/04/21-10/11/21
Mali Drive	10/08/21-10/14/21
Rockview Avenue	10/13/21-10/20/21
Duer Street	10/15/21-10/22/21

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Maple Avenue	10/21/21-10/28/21
Mountain Avenue	10/28/21-10/31/21
Ridge Avenue	10/29/21-10/31/21

School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	8.5 Hours
High School	5.5 Hours
Somerset School	13.5 Hours
Stonybrook School	4 Hours
West End School	14 Hours
TOTAL	45.5 Hours

Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Harrison Avenue	10/01/21-10/04/21
Farragut Road	10/01/21-10/08/21
Regent Street	10/01/21-10/08/21
Washington Avenue	10/01/21-10/08/21
Harrison Avenue	10/04/21-10/11/21
North Jackson Avenue	10/08/21-10/15/21
Oneida Avenue	10/08/21-10/15/21
Sycamore Avenue	10/08/21-10/15/21
Jefferson Avenue	10/11/21-10/21/21
Belmont Avenue	10/15/21-10/22/21
Myrtle Avenue	10/15/21-10/22/21
Summit Avenue	10/15/21-10/22/21
Cedar Street	10/21/21-10/28/21
Grandview Avenue	10/22/21-10/29/21
Sandford Avenue	10/22/21-10/29/21
Willow Avenue	10/22/21-10/29/21
Columbia Avenue	10/28/21-10/31/21
Fairview Avenue	10/29/21-10/31/21
Rockview Avenue	10/29/21-10/31/21
Westervelt Avenue	10/29/21-10/31/21

Miscellaneous Information:

- We responded to 108 rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 90 building or premise checks.
- We investigated 39 general alarms.
- We made 392 motor vehicle stops.
- We conducted 35 walking beats.

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- The police department recorded a total of 3,299 incidents.
- BWC videos and CAD entries were reviewed by the Patrol Division Commander.
- On October 25, 2021, The President of the United States, Joe Biden, was scheduled to make an appearance at East End School. Preparations for his visit began on October 22, 2021 and continued throughout the weekend and into the morning of October 25, 2021. The motorcade route was mapped out and all surrounding streets were cleared of both parked and vehicular traffic. Intersections along the motorcade route were both secured and manned by uniformed officers. The President's motorcade route arrived and departed with no issues or interruptions and the President's visit at the school was successfully completed. Although there were some protestors in the area of the school, they were contained to areas where they would not have access to the President, who was protected by both County, State, and Federal Law Enforcement Personnel.

Parking Enforcement Report:

Tickets:	Title 39		Meter Related		Total	
	Month / YTD		Month / YTD		Month / YTD	
Totals	215	1,336	266	2,537	481	3,873

Meters		Permits		Total Revenue	
Monthly / YTD		Monthly / YTD		Monthly / YTD	
9,225.09	90,240.96	380.00	16,100.00	9,605.09	106,340.96

Monthly Accident Totals

Accidents for the Month: 108

Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	1	Driving While Intoxicated	2
Hazardous	39	Non-Hazardous	11
Alcohol Related	0		

Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable	52	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	0
Boro Streets-Reportable	41	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	0
Private Property-Reportable	10	Private Property Non-Reportable	5
Total Reportable Accidents	103	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	5

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	17
Persons Injured	25
Fatal Accidents	0

Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 709

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Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	4	Driving While Intoxicated	18
Hazardous	264	Non-Hazardous	144
Alcohol Related	1		

Breakdown of Reportable and Non-Reportable

Rt 22-Reportable	241	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	5
Boro Streets-Reportable	348	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	9
Private Property-Reportable	97	Private Property Non-Reportable	9
Total Reportable Accidents	686	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	23

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	121
Persons Injured	161
Fatal Accidents	0

Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic conducted collections & escorted parking to the bank - 12 hrs.
- Traffic conducted monthly alcotest maintenance.
- Traffic and Parking covered 48 crossing posts.
- Sgt. Kardos responded to a fatal motor vehicle accident with C.A.R.T. in Branchburg on October 8, 2021.
- Ptl. Kropewnicki attended the County Traffic Safety Officers meeting on October 21, 2021.
- Traffic conducted an inspection check point with NJ MIT with the following results: 61 vehicles came through the check point, 9 new cars, 18 failures, 34 passed. Summonses issued: Fail to Inspect – 25 summonses, 11 warnings, 23 other summonses.

SERVICE DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$359.50	\$4,639.45
Calls for Service/Responses	3,299	33,313
Discovery Requests	34	350
Report Requests	224	1,430
Pieces of Evidence/Property	53	397

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Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	2
Rape	0	3
Robbery	6	33
Assault, Agg:	4	17
Assault Simple	10	151
Burglary	1	15
Larceny	33	198
M.V. Theft	1	29
Arson	0	2
Domestic Violence	13	220
Bias Incidents	1	9

Monthly 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	5	0
Burglary	1	0	2	0
Larceny/Theft	2	0	14	1
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	2	0
Simple Assault	2	0	41	0
Arson	0	0	0	0
Forgery	0	0	0	0
Fraud	1	0	2	0
Embezzlement	0	0	1	0
Stolen Property	0	0	0	0
Criminal Mischief	1	0	6	0
Weapons	2	0	3	3
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	1	0
Violation of Drug Laws	2	0	11	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	2	0
Driving Under the Influence	4	0	29	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	1	1	5	1
Vagrancy	0	0	1	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	0
All Other Offenses	3	0	22	3
Total UCR Arrests for Month	20	1	148	8
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	15	1	50	3

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Grand Total Arrests for Month	35	2	198	11
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- **2 Juvenile Arrests for the Month**

Respectfully submitted,



William G. Parenti
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