

FAIRFIELD POLICE

Monthly Report – April 2019



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Section 1: Bureau / Division Reports

Noteworthy Police Work

The Police Commission recognized Officer Renaldi for his response to a homicide call that prevented further injury to another person.



Officer Gonzalez received a card thanking him for recovering the writer's wallet.

25 Years of Service

The following members of the department were recognized by the Fairfield PBA for completing 25 years with the department.



Detective Belinda Papageorge, Officer Joe Kalson and Lieutenant Ed Greene

New Officers



On April 4, 2019 Daniel Chase and Douglas Katz were sworn in as Fairfield Police officers. They will be attending the Connecticut Police Academy for the next several months.

On April 15th, 2019 Eurico Diaz and John Mirra were sworn in as Fairfield Police Officers. They came to Fairfield as certified officers and will be working with our field training officers to complete their orientation to Fairfield.



Patrol

On Tuesday April 30, 2019 at approximately 2:01pm, the Fairfield Police Department Emergency Communications Center received a 911 call from a concerned relative who reported that she had received a telephone call from her sister reporting a suspicious person on the property on Coventry Lane. Moments later she heard her sister yell, “No, No” and the line was disconnected.

Police were immediately dispatched to respond to Coventry Lane. Approximately four minutes later and while still on the 911 call with the original caller, a 911 call was received from 363 Coventry Lane from a victim reporting that someone had broken into the home and attacked her, displaying a knife. The victim reported that the suspect, described as a male, wearing a black baseball cap fled the scene in a black four door, “simple” type vehicle.

A responding Fairfield Police Officer located a vehicle and driver matching the description given by the victim traveling on Congress Street near Black Rock Tnpk. The officer conducted a motor vehicle stop as the vehicle pulled into the driveway of a home on Black Rock Tnpk. The officer exited his vehicle, requested identification from the driver and began to walk back to his patrol car. When doing so, the operator of the vehicle fled the scene traveling across two properties and engaged police in pursuit north on Black Rock Turnpike subsequently entering the Merritt Parkway Northbound. Police pursued the vehicle and it exited at Exit 46 and traveled south on Easton Tnpk. Later, the suspect vehicle came to rest on the front lawn of a property on Davis Rd and the operator fled the vehicle with police in pursuit.

Following an extensive search, the suspect was found minutes later by police hiding under a deck of a home on Bennett Street and taken into custody.

When taken into custody, jewelry and cash were found on the suspect’s person belonging to the victim.

The suspect was charged with multiple felony and misdemeanor criminal and motor vehicle charges and held on a \$500,000.00 bond.

Easton and Bridgeport Police also assisted in this investigation.

Fairfield Police personnel involved: Sgt. Nook, Sgt. VanDerheyden, Off. Rubis, Off. Krushinski, Off. Greenfield, Off. Jenkins, Off. Letsch, Sgt. Paris, Off. Zerella, Off. Diaz, Off. McPadden, Off. Fuller, Off. Galaske, Dispatcher Rindgen, Dispatcher Lobo and Dispatcher Mulligan.

19-16342 | 11:24 PM | 4/30/2019 | 00007 Wynnwood Dr

ECC received a report of someone in the backyard going through the vehicle. The incident was captured on the complainant’s Ring camera. A description of the suspect was broadcast to responding patrol officers.

Off. Young located the suspect, who admitted to entering the car on Wynnwood. Nothing was taken. The suspect was arrested and charged with for Burglary 3rd and Criminal Attempt Larceny 6th.

19-16198 | 5:20 PM | 4/29/2019 | Assistance | Chambers St/I 95 Exit 24

State Police requested assistance for a Trooper who was fighting with a suspect at the Exit 24 off ramp. Upon Off. Letsch and Sgt. Gunter's arrival, the Trooper was still struggling with the suspect. He had deployed his Taser but it seemed to have no effect. Off. Letsch and Sgt. Gunter assisted the Trooper in taking the combative male to the ground. The male was transported to the hospital due to the fact he was stunned with the Taser and we assisted the State Police by riding with the subject in the back of the ambulance until State Police took custody of him at the hospital.

19-11603 | 5:53 PM | 3/26/2019 | Suspicious Vehicle | Greenfield, J | 00147 Melville Av

Off. Greenfield and Off. MacNamara responded to the upper level of Tunxis Hill Park for a suspicious vehicle complaint. After locating the vehicle a search was conducted based on the smell of marijuana coming from the car. A search of the car led to the discovery of a small amount of marijuana and a black airsoft handgun in the glove box. The two juveniles in the car were issued Juvenile Referrals for Possession of a weapon in a MV and Possession of Marijuana. The juveniles were turned over to their parents.



19-8311 | 9:24 PM | 3/2/2019 | Procaccini, V | Post Rd/Westport Town Line

Earlier in the evening shift, officers received a BOLO from ECC that Norwalk and Darien PD were looking for a Chevy Malibu with Georgia plates. The occupants in the vehicle were wanted for passing counterfeit \$100 bills at businesses in those towns.

Off. Procaccini located the vehicle and made a traffic stop in Westport just over the town line. In plain view on the passenger seat were suspected counterfeit bills and a search of car revealed several recently purchased items with receipts that showed the merchandise was paid for with \$100 bills. There was no evidence of anything in the car being purchased in Fairfield. The four subjects in the car were turned over to Norwalk PD. One of the female occupants, Destiny Poole, 2/16/99, had two felony Prawn warrants out of Fairfield from Larceny cases. Norwalk PD to serve the prawns.

Detective Division

On April 23rd, 2019, the Fairfield Police Detective Bureau was conducting an investigation into bank fraud related to the theft of approximately \$120,000 from an elderly person residing in Texas. The suspects in this matter were conducting these fraudulent transactions at Bankwell, located at 1 Sasco Hill Road in Southport.

At approximately 4:00pm on the 23rd, Detectives observed Carl Myers, DOB 9/24/72 of 358 Exeter Street in Bridgeport enter the bank. When Myers was confronted by detectives, he drew a pistol which he had concealed in his pants. A tense stand-off ensued between Myers and several officers in the bank, with several officers holding Myers at gunpoint and issuing repeated orders to drop his weapon.

Myers eventually lowered his pistol and then became combative with officers. He physically resisted arrest and had to be Tasered.

As a continuation of this investigation, a search warrant was executed in Bridgeport by Fairfield and Bridgeport officers. At that time, Tanika Haase DOB 11/4/89, was taken into custody when more evidence of the financial crimes was located in her possession.

Both suspects were charged with multiple felony crimes. The investigation is on-going.

Special Services Bureau

On Friday April 12, 2019 at approximately 0952hrs, the Fairfield Police Emergency Communications Center received multiple 911 calls reporting a pedestrian struck on Sanford Street near the Post Rd in the Town of Fairfield.

Upon officer's arrival, it was determined that a 2013 Hyundai Sonata driven by Schaunta Chambers of Ash Street in Bridgeport, was traveling westbound on Post Rd and turned north on Sanford Street, subsequently striking a pedestrian walking eastbound in the crosswalk across Sanford Street.

The pedestrian was transported to Bridgeport Hospital where he was listed in critical condition.

After an extensive investigation, the operator of the vehicle was charged with multiple offences.

Traffic Safety Unit

Traffic Stops: **432**
Infractions: **536**
Misdemeanor Summons: **18**
Accidents Investigated: **34**
Child Seats Installed: **15**
DUI Arrests: **1**

Traffic Crash Investigations

Total Accidents Investigated: **60**
Total Accidents with Injuries: **12**
Search Warrants: **3**
Arrest Warrants: **3**
Misdemeanor Summons Issued: **6**
Infractions Issued: **107**

Traffic Enforcement Targeted Areas

Davis Rd
Rowland Rd
Brentwood Ave
Nutmeg Ln
Pequot Ave
Old Post Rd - SPT

Brooklawn Terr
Brookview / Woodside
Morehouse Hwy
Post Rd
Black Rock Tnpk
Pemburn Dr

Other Activities

Distracted Driving Campaign Conducted by traffic unit - 662 Traffic Stops - 536 Infractions Issued
- 18 Misdemeanor Summons Arrests - 2 Fugitive from Justice Arrests

- PAL Fishing Derby Conducted
- Child Seat Recert Class
- Traffic Stop Safety Class - Greenwich
- Sherman School Stop Kiss and Go project
- Girl Scout Presentation
- Clam Jam - DUI Checkpoints conducted
- Sergeant Paris and Officer Medvey were certified in the FARO Scanner - A new device to measure crash scenes with the latest technology.
- Sergeant Paris, Officer Letsch, Officer Medvey attended a week long Crash Conference hosted at UCONN where live crashes were conducted and a refresher of crash reconstruction.
- Jail and Bail
- Special Olympics Penguin Plunge at Jennings' Beach
- Donnelly Dash
- Girl Scouts in Government Day

Animal Control

Complaints: **67**

Wildlife related complaints: **25**

Animals tested for rabies: **1**

Wildlife testing positive for rabies: **1**

Animal bites: **5**

Enforcement:

Written warnings: **4**

Infractions: **18**

Misdemeanors: **0**

Lake Mohegan Enforcement

Lake Mohegan/ Open Space. Periodic patrols, 15 infractions issued on 4/13/2019.

Administrative Services Bureau

Training

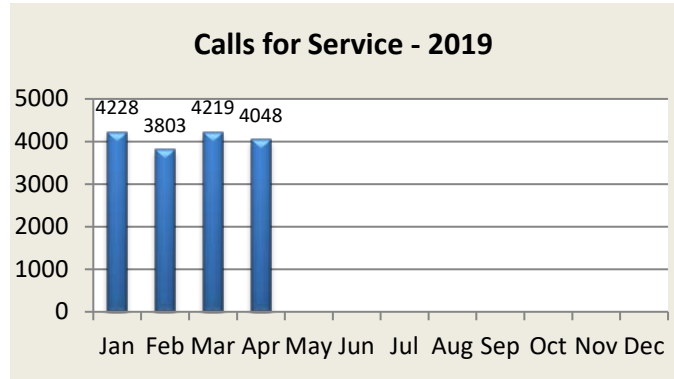
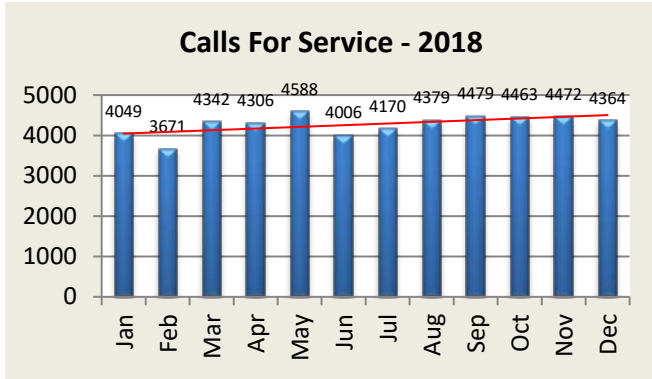
- Situations Involving People with Mental Illness
- Laser Scanner Training
- Drug Investigations
- Marine Patrol Laws & Safety
- Training Officer Liability
- SRO Active Shooter
- Counter Ambush Tactics for Law Enforcement
- Tactics in Traffic
- Crash Reconstruction
- Digital Imagery and Video Recovery
- Drone Aerial Search and Rescue
- Active Aggressor
- Fairfield County Detective Conference

Section 3: Statistical Activity Summary

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE

Calls for Service	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2018	4049	3671	4342	4306	4588	4006	4170	4379	4479	4463	4472	4364	51,289
2019	4228	3803	4219	4048									16,298

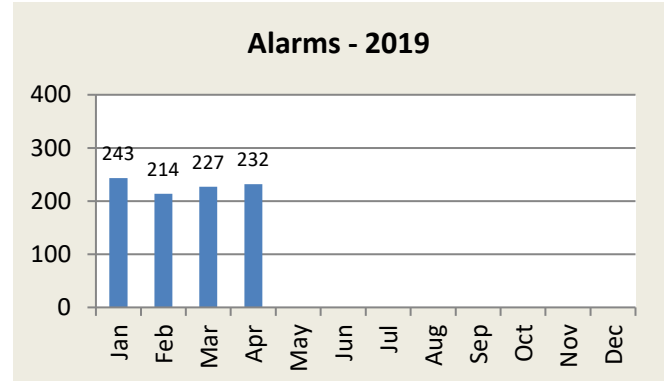
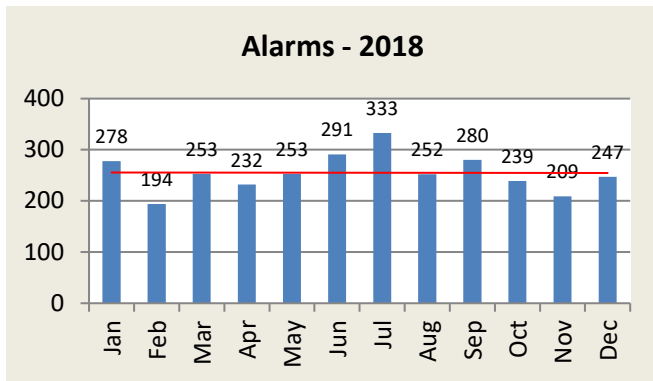
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ALARM RESPONSE SUMMARY

Total Alarms	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2018	278	194	253	232	253	291	333	252	280	239	209	247	3,061
2019	243	214	227	232									916

False Alarms	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2018	274	191	251	232	253	291	325	251	277	237	209	247	3,038
2019	243	211	227	232									913

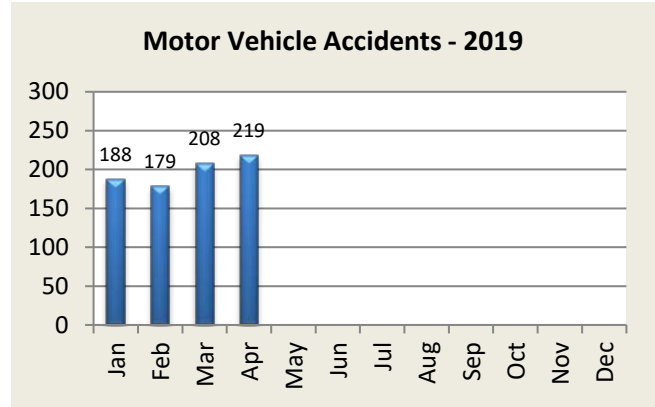
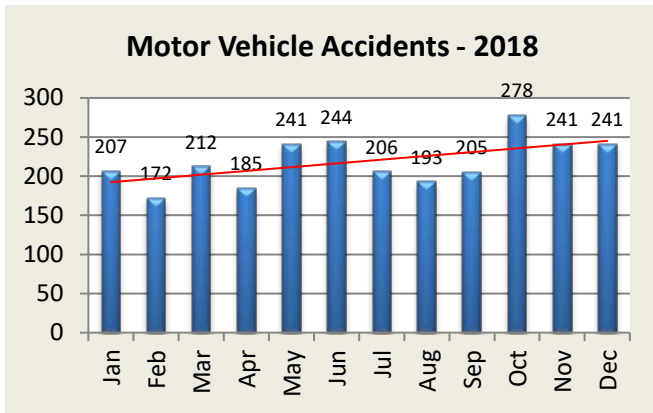


Calls For Service - Detailed Summary

Calls for Service - Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
911 Hang Up	6	8	9	7									30
Abandoned Vehicles	9	8	14	6									37
Alarms	243	214	227	232									916
Animal Complaints	66	73	117	90									346
Assaults	2	3	2	2									9
Assistance	184	174	174	171									703
Bank Escorts	22	15	21	22									80
Bomb Threats	0	0	0	0									0
Breach of Peace	42	35	54	38									169
Burglary	6	6	8	3									23
BusinessChecks	1343	1192	1272	1088									4895
Cancelled Alarms	51	49	46	42									188
Community Events	45	42	25	39									151
Door Open	11	5	5	6									27
Drowning	0	0	0	0									0
EMS	353	356	371	350									1430
Funeral Escorts	28	13	10	12									63
Harassment	13	16	13	12									54
Intoxicated Subjects	4	5	11	8									28
Investigations	166	136	197	166									665
Larceny	34	27	25	38									124
MVA	188	179	208	219									794
Medical Alarms	1	2	3	3									9
Psychiatric calls	10	3	5	3									21
Missing Persons	1	3	4	1									9
Narcotic Violations	4	6	4	2									16
Noise Complaints	17	11	15	20									63
Parking Complaints	34	23	38	48									143
Pistol Permit Apps	21	10	7	7									45
Reckless Driver	18	26	25	25									94
Recovered Property	18	8	14	9									49
Road Hazard	37	34	47	35									153
Robbery	0	0	0	3									3
Sex Violation	0	0	0	0									0
Shoplifter	16	14	21	10									61
Stolen Vehicles	3	5	3	2									13
Suicide	0	0	0	1									1
Suicide Attempts/Threats	4	4	9	2									19
SuspiciousActivity	70	65	54	76									265
Theft from MV	9	14	31	21									75
Trespasser	7	8	12	11									38
Vandalism	6	4	9	7									26

MOTOR VEHICLE ACTIVITY

MV Accidents	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2018	207	172	212	185	241	244	206	193	205	278	241	241	2,625
2019	188	179	208	219									794



MV Enforcement	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Warnings - 2018	235	254	213	256	260	225	359	335	291	256	287	323	3,294
Warnings - 2019	328	325	310	254									1,217

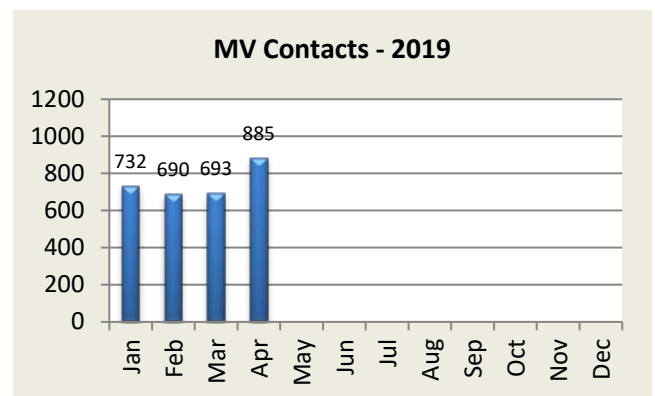
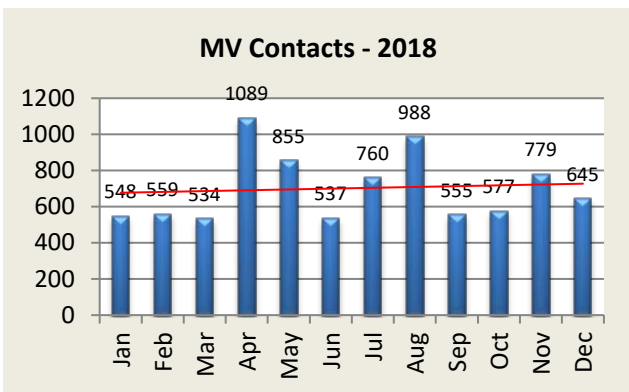
Infractions - 2018	258	230	277	749	535	262	337	587	229	270	430	256	4,420
2019	317	290	315	575									1,497

Misdemeanor - 2018	31	43	25	55	39	31	45	45	19	36	43	44	456
2019	65	55	48	46									214

Custodial - 2018	12	19	12	11	3	11	7	11	5	7	8	11	117
2019	13	12	7	9									41

DUI Arrests - 2018	6	7	11	13	8	5	3	14	9	10	5	9	100
2019	9	5	6	8									28

MV Contacts - 2018	548	559	534	1089	855	537	760	988	555	577	779	645	8,426
2019	732	690	693	885									3,000

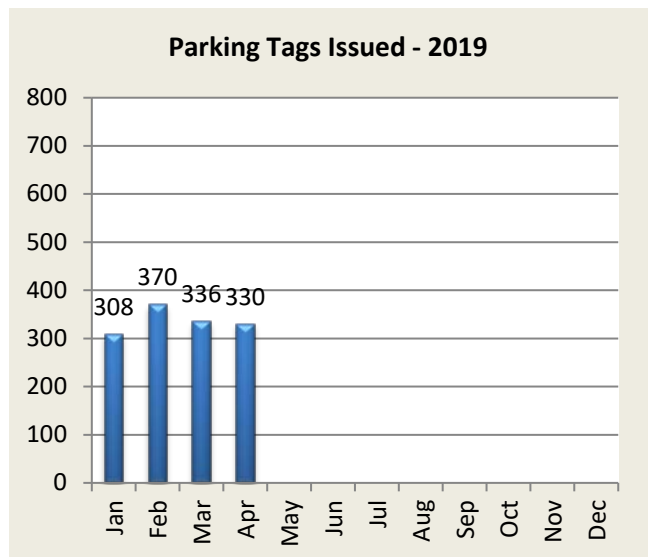
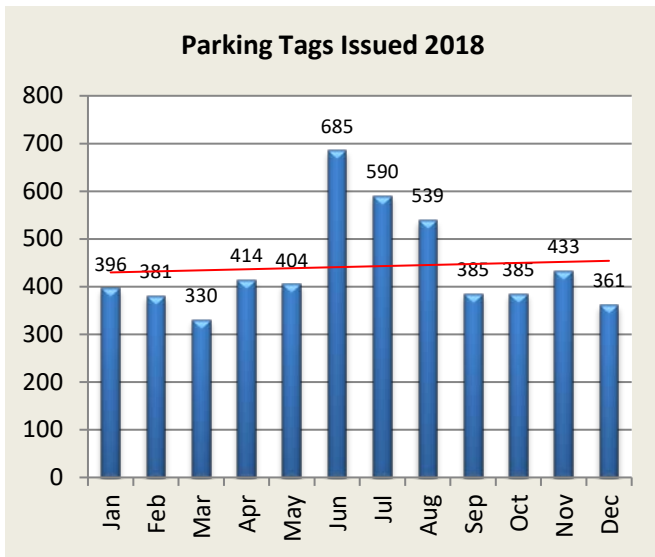


MV Enforcement: Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Speeding Violations	183	152	196	98									629
Seatbelt Violations	3	9	8	93									113
Registration Violations	127	109	107	97									440
License Violations	26	38	35	39									138
Distracted Driving	9	12	17	302									340
Suspended Licence	42	43	32	31									148
Traffic Light Violation	18	14	13	18									63

The above incidents are a overview of common violations. These statistics are not the only motor vehicle enforcement actions taken. The above show top 6 violations for the month.

PARKING TICKET SUMMARY

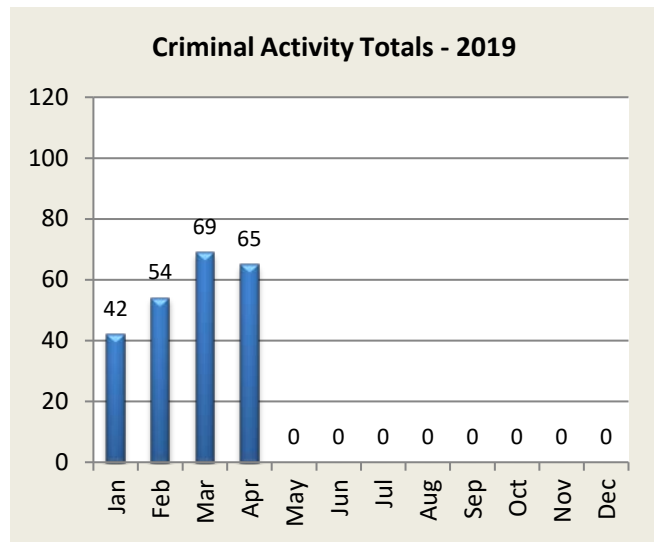
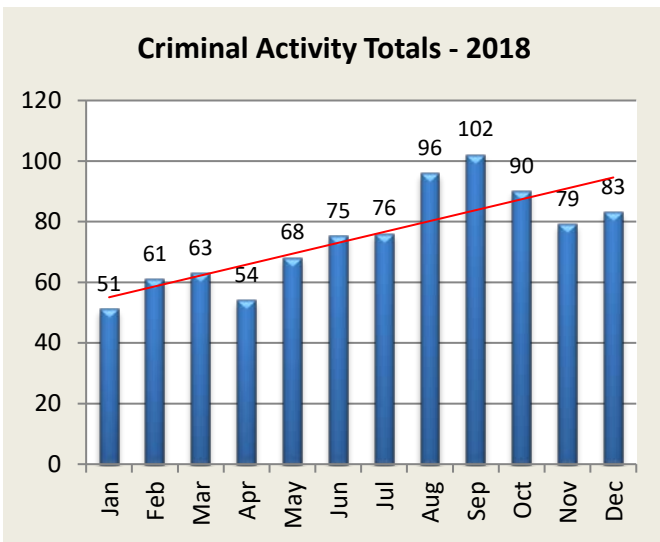
Total Issued	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2018	396	381	330	414	404	685	590	539	385	385	433	361	5303
2019	308	370	336	330									1344



CRIMINAL INCIDENTS

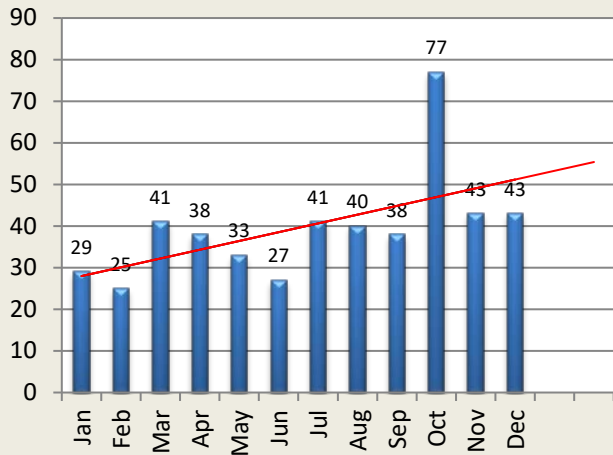
Criminal Incidents: Patrol	R2	R3	R4	R5	B2	B3	B4	B5
Larceny	2	2	5	1	17	7	7	8
Vandalism	1	1	1	0	1	2	1	0
MV Theft / Attempt	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Burglary / Attempt	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Assault	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0

Criminal Activity: Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Larceny - 2018	40	31	35	34	48	55	49	56	58	59	57	51	573
2019	25	36	47	49									157
Vandalism - 2018	5	13	6	11	10	7	12	10	13	13	11	10	121
2019	6	4	9	7									26
MV Theft / Attempt - 2018	4	3	5	3	4	5	5	8	10	7	3	2	59
2019	3	5	3	2									13
Burglary / Attempt - 2018	1	11	10	3	6	2	6	19	15	3	4	16	96
2019	8	6	8	2									24
Assault - 2018	0	1	4	1	0	3	4	3	6	8	2	3	35
2019	0	3	2	2									7
Robbery - 2018	1	2	3	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	14
2019	0	0	0	3									3
Totals - 2018	51	61	63	54	68	75	76	96	102	90	79	83	898
2019	42	54	69	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	230



Criminal Arrests by Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Larceny - 2018	22	16	29	27	22	22	18	24	25	37	25	23	290
2019	26	7	28	23									84
Vandalism - 2018	2	2	2	1	2	0	1	3	0	0	3	2	18
2019	3	1	1	0									5
MV Theft / Attempt - 2018	1	1	1	2	1	1	3	4	3	18	5	1	41
2019	0	1	0	0									1
Burglary / Attempt - 2018	1	1	5	6	2	0	9	5	5	15	8	5	62
2019	6	9	8	1									24
Assault - 2018	3	5	3	0	5	4	10	4	5	7	1	11	58
2019	3	2	5	6									16
Robbery - 2018	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	6
2019	0	0	1	2									3
Total - 2018	29	25	41	38	33	27	41	40	38	77	43	43	475
2019	38	20	43	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	133

Total Criminal Arrests - 2018



Total Criminal Arrests - 2019

