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Training, Officer Activities and basic report information:

MUTUAL AID CALLS			Number	REPORTED OFFENSES		Number
Franklin CO SO			2	Accidents		22
Madison TWP PD			8	Assaults		7
Madison Twp. Fire			7	Burglaries		0
Obetz PD			1	Domestic Disputes		6
CPD/ CFD/Other Agencies			2	Domestic Violence		3
Public Assistance			31	OVI and alcohol issues		3
				Theft Related/ Robberies		10
House Watches			8	Weapon Related Calls		1
Mileage			17,029	Missing Persons/Juveniles		0
				Narcotic Related Offenses		3
Sheriff's Dispatches/Self-Initiated Calls			220/361	School Related Dispatched Calls		2
Busiest Day		52 REPORTS	FRIDAY	Stolen/Unauthorized Use		0
A – Reports Taken –			68-36%	Parking		6
B – Reports Taken –			101-54%	Threats		2
C – Reports Taken –			19-10%	Vandalism		3
Total Reports taken			188	Suicide (attempts)/ DOA		1 / 2
Traffic Citations			36	Sex Related Crimes		0
Training Hours			0	Arrests made		18
Referrals (FCCS)			0	Juvenile Complaints		0
Speed Trailer				Speed Trailer		
Location	Limit	Date Start	Date End	Total vehicles	Highest Speed	Average
		NA				NA
		NA				NA



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The month of October has been a special event month when it comes to the operations of the police department, we had Apple Butter Day & Beggars Night this past month, and Patrolman Ryan Ripson was recognized by the Franklin County Sheriff STAR Award Committee and Central Ohio Crime Stoppers awards banquet for his heroic actions at the beginning of the year.

I have continued to monitor the Imagine Schools Traffic Issue (Venture Place), and I believe we have alleviated the congestion as far as we can without major traffic rerouting and/or reconfiguration of the intersection at SR 317 and Venture Place.

When it comes to the West Street on-going parking concerns brought to Groveport City Council, the parking of vehicles along the 300 block of West Street has progressed in a positive manner with more cooperation from the residence in this area, but the parking of vehicles on the fire hydrant side of the roadway brings concerns from the one concerned resident who comes to city council meetings.

I attended a mandatory "New Chief Training" at Hilliard Police Department November 1st thru 5th, 2021, that was instructed by the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission and Ohio Association Chiefs of Police. The topics of discussion included the following topics:

- Ohio Police Officer Training Commission Mandates that the Ohio Legislature created in 2021
- Ohio Collaborative Certification based on Police Agencies Policy and Procedure Standards
- Record Keeping and Public Record Laws
- Procedural Justice/Implicit Bias Training
- De-Escalation/Crisis Intervention/Use of Force Training
- Officer Wellness and Resiliency
- Legal Requirements/Legal Updates
- Policy and Procedures
- First Year Success Tips for new Chief of Police
- Recruitment and Retention
- Budgeting
- Ethical Behavior
- State and Legal Aspects from State of Ohio Ethics Board
- Executive Leadership and Chief's Panel Discussion

On Saturday, November 6th, 2021; the Groveport Police Department Personnel did begin updated training on Tactical First Aid and CPR, and the entire police department is required to attend this 4 hour training block. We have two other dates scheduled in the upcoming month in order to complete this process for our personnel to learn new and updated techniques in the valuable first aid concepts that our officers need to master in order to serve our community effectively.



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Lt. Josh Short and I are working on other avenues to bring valuable training to our organization. Lt. Short has reached out to his contacts when it comes to Active Shooter Training and Emergency Response to Critical Incidents, and I am working with Robert Meader, along with Eastland Adult Education to bring 4 hour blocks of training that will meet Ohio Peace Officer Training Mandate on the Continued Professional Training Standards for 2022 calendar year. This new mandate on law enforcement has captured the attention of Ohio House of Representative for District 26 Latyna Humphrey and Eastland Career and Adult Education Administration. In the past week, I attended meetings with our State Rep. Humphrey and Eastland Career Center Staff to find ways to bring valuable training to our area, but also to keep it affordable for law enforcement agencies. State Rep. Humphrey was unaware of this mandate, and the amount of money that this would cost an organization with limited funding or limited locations to attend the CPT mandated courses. Eastland Career Center Staff are looking for ways to expand their reach to our law enforcement community in and around the Central Ohio Area. One way of expanding their reach in this training demand is to expand their Adult Education Campus to focus primarily to law enforcement new cadets and current professionals, and this expansion includes facilities for normal instruction and specialized hands on type of training when it comes to firearms and vehicle operations. I look forward to how these training opportunities progress and the State and local levels, and I have advised both entities' I would be more than happy to work with them on planning and solutions to their long-term goals to training for our law enforcement professionals.

Finally, as I mentioned at the November 8th City Council Meeting; Sgt. Lou Chan will be retiring on January 5th, 2022 after 25 years of service to our community, and Ptl Shellie Rimmer is just weeks from returning back to the Groveport Police Department after her more than one year deployment overseas with the Army. The entire Groveport Police Department wishes Sgt. Chan the best of luck with his new chapter in life, and we are also looking forward to Ptl. Rimmer's return to the City of Groveport to serve our community and show how she is a true asset when it comes to our goal of "Community First Philosophy" when engaging our public.



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Day Shift Patrol October Report 2021

Duty Hours = 989
Miles = 2984
Dispatches = 140
Pick-up's = 33
Calls to Service = 44
Incident Reports = 17
Crash Reports = 7
Injury Crash = 2
Citations = 4

A'co primarily focuses on patrolling neighborhoods and business throughout each day. We concentrate on patrolling every school zone during the week. An increase of traffic enforcement on Main Street has also been established due to speeding complaints.

Ptl. Adam Greter has been in training with Ptl. Ripson this month. Ptl. Greter is proving to be an asset to our department and is doing very well as he moves to B'company shift with Ptl. Bell. Ptl. Kyle Smith will now be training with Ptl. Ripson. New officers will be switching shifts as part of their field training.

A'co had the pleasure to be directly involved with Apple Butter Day. Eleven officers from all shifts participated to make sure this event was safe and secure. We also had the opportunity to work with students from Fairfield Career Center law enforcement program. We had seven students help with traffic control and assisted vendors by directing them to the entry and exit of the event.

Ptl. Ryan Ripson received two awards from Franklin County Sheriff's Office and Crime Stoppers for his involvement last winter when he entered very cold waters to help a stranded motorist who had crashed into Blacklick Creek. We appreciate his dedication to both patrol duties and being a field training officer.

A'co assisted CPD/HIDTA with a search warrant in the Elmont addition. The search warrant was executed for drug related activities that a resident is involved in outside of Groveport. Our officers assisted by detaining a suspect who attempted to leave the residence and scene security. Columbus Police handled all charges on this matter.

Sgt. Josh Guiler #S1



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Afternoon Shift October 2021 Monthly Report-Sgt. John Westhoven

Afternoon Shift participated in the 2021 Apple Butter Day Festival, and Beggars Night in the Month of October. Sgt. Westhoven created the schedule and implemented the Beggars Night Incident Plan, and no incidents occurred during the event. Sgt. Westhoven's shift was assigned Ptl. Kevin Chavez, our new officer as part of the Field Training Program.

October 2021

Third Shift Monthly Report

Officers responded to a various amount of calls in the month of October including assault at warehouses, accidents (North/South Business districts), thefts, domestic complaints, building alarms and medical emergencies. Officers made two OVI arrest and issued around six traffic citations. Officers also arrested a female for Domestic Violence and Assault.

The city had a few thefts from vehicles in the Grove Pointe, Hickory Grove and Elmont Place subdivisions. These thefts would occur primarily on unlocked vehicles between the hours of 1:00 AM and 3:30 AM. The items stolen were usually of very little value and most victims declined a report. Officers patrolled these areas between those hours on a very consistent basis. It was common to patrol through the neighborhood and pass another cruiser. Officers tried different patrol techniques which included patrolling with no lights on in an attempt to not be seen from a distance, using overhead lights to check dark areas, sitting stationary in the neighborhood, foot patrol and patrolling in an un-marked detective vehicle. Officers were successful in locating multiple car doors ajar on two different occasions while patrolling the area. However we were not successful in catching a suspect in the act we have a good idea where the suspects live. Officers constantly monitored the target house throughout the shift. Officers conducted foot patrols at Kroger, Degenhart Park, Hickory Grove/Elmont PI, Grove Pointe, and Founders. Officer Smith was assigned to Field Training Officer Rosser during October and is performing very well. Officers did not attend any training classes in October.

Sgt. Sam Yockey #S4



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October 2021 Monthly Report –Administrative Lieutenant Bary Murphy

October 2021 five new criminal cases were assigned for follow up investigation. Six cases were transmitted to the Franklin County Prosecutor's office for consideration. One case was presented to the Grand Jury which resulted in an indictment for assault on a police officer. Follow up continues on a large theft ring case and a trailer theft from last month, several subpoenas and search warrants have been filed and are pending return of records.

October 2021 Monthly Report- Patrol Lieutenant Josh Short

Sergeant's Progress

All three new sergeants are progressing nicely and are meshing very well with their shifts. All have been regularly checking and approving their shift's reports and all have independently handled their shift's payroll for the last few pay periods. Each has met with their shifts and discussed ways to improve efficiency and do things better. Sgt Guiler did an excellent job planning for and running Apple Butter Day and the event was without incident. Sgt Westhoven did a great job planning and running the city's Beggar's Night event which was also enjoyable and problem free.

New Officer's Progress

Our three new officers are progressing at an acceptable rate. All moved to a new shift at the end of October with Kevin Chavez moving to Midnight Shift, Smith to Day Shift, and Greter to Afternoon Shift. All have been patrolling regularly in their own vehicle and are able to complete most tasks with little to no coach assistance. All three have been able to start to relax and interact with our officers and have started to express their own unique personalities and patrol styles. All three will be participating in the Honor Guard Shoot Team for Veteran's Day. Barring any unforeseen issues they will remain on current shift until mid-December and will then switch again.

Patrol Issues

We are fortunate that we do not experience many regular serious criminal or traffic issues that force us to expend significant amounts of time and manpower.

One of the nagging issues is criminal damaging/theft that occurs overnight as criminals break into or gain entry into parked vehicles in our neighborhoods. Sgt Yockey and Midnight Shift has taken a proactive approach to combat this problem by heavily patrolling the residential subdivisions. Midnight Shift has conducted regular vehicle patrol, "black-out" vehicle patrol, stationary observation in marked and unmarked cars and regular foot patrols. Midnight Shift has also conducted stationary observation on a residence known to house regular theft suspects.



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Day Shift and Afternoon Shift continue to place high priority on visibility in and around our Groveport Schools. There is an officer at the Groveport Elementary oval entrance as students are arriving and leaving every day unless pulled by a priority call. There is also regularly a patrol vehicle at the high school zone as students arrive and leave.

Special Duty

We have received a special duty request from one of our warehouse partners, Radial, for special duty for a few weeks starting on November 26. These daily 8 hour shifts have been subdivided and I am working on getting them staffed. I also received a special duty traffic request from Gap. Their Security Supervisor is working on getting me specifics for that detail which is expected to start about November 26 and run for about 5 days.

Overtime

Due to a myriad of reasons we have experienced a very high amount of mandatory overtime over the past few months. Our officers have done a very admirable job of stepping up to volunteer and/or come in to make sure every shift gets covered and no officer works alone.

Speed Trailer

After working with TrafficLogix via teleconference we were unable to get the trailer operational. Per TrafficLogix I removed the trailers motherboard and shipped it back to them for diagnosis. We are still waiting on them for update.



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October 2021 School Resource Officer Report-Lt Josh Short/Ptl. Kurt Boso

SCHOOL ACTIVITY OF NOTE:

October 4th – officers working special duty at HS football game observed and detained a suspicious former student and issued a trespass warning per Mr. Lomonico.

October 5th – SRO met with student and parent to discuss issue at school.

October 6th – SRO interviewed a student who was receiving “weird” texts.

SRO took report from student who had been poked with a pencil by another student. Charges were declined by the guardian.

October 7th – SRO interacted with student that was reported missing/runaway from Madison Township. Student was released to mother and Madison Township PD.

SRO took report from student that claimed to be “de-pantsed” by another student. Charges filed. SRO took second report of de-pantsing incident. Lack of probable cause for charges.

October 8th – SRO took report of assault by student on student. Charges declined.

Patrol officers responded to South on report of student on student assault. Assault charge filed.

October 11th – SRO had two meetings with students and their parents to discuss school issues.

October 12th – SRO had meeting with student and parent to discuss school issues.

October 12th – Patrol officers responded to South on report of marijuana found a handgun found on a student. Charges filed for both incidents.

October 13th – SRO responded to bus garage to take care of a lost/left property issue

SRO responded to Middle School South to help with an unruly/upset student.

October 18th – SRO had incident of a suicidal student who was later transported to the hospital by Madison Township Medic.

October 19th – SRO responded to bus garage on report of marijuana found on bus. Marijuana was impounded for destruction.

SRO had two incidents where he assisted school staff in stopping/breaking up fights. Charges declined.

October 28th – Patrol officers responded to South on report of suicidal student. Student was transported to children’s hospital by officers.