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Training, Officer Activities and basic report information: 80 Hours of Crisis Intervention Team Training @ Columbus Police Department Training Academy (Ptl. Chad Rosser and Ptl. David Fairman)

MUTUAL AID CALLS			Number	REPORTED OFFENSES		Number
Franklin CO SO			0	Accidents		19
Madison TWP PD			10	Assaults		6
Madison Twp. Fire			7	Burglaries		0
Obetz PD			0	Domestic Disputes		5
CPD/ CFD/Other Agencies			2	Domestic Violence		3
Public Assistance			15	OVI and alcohol issues		2
				Theft Related/ Robberies		19
House Watches			5	Weapon Related Calls		1
Mileage			14,682	Missing Persons/Juveniles		1
				Narcotic Related Offenses		1
Sheriff's Dispatches/Self-Initiated Calls			246 & 274	School Related Dispatched Calls		2
Busiest Day(s) Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday			Mon-Wed	Stolen/Unauthorized Use		0
A – Reports Taken – 44 Reports			18%	Parking		1
B – Reports Taken – 75 Reports			52%	Threats		2
C – Reports Taken – 26 Reports			18%	Vandalism		1
Total Reports taken			145 Reports	Suicide (attempts)/ DOA		2
Traffic Citations			22	Sex Related Crimes		1
Training Hours			80 Hours	Arrests made		8
Referrals (FCCS)			1	Juvenile Complaints		0
Groveport Madison School District Criminal Reports			5	Groveport Madison School District Non-Criminal Reports		2
Patrol Hours Groveport Madison High School			39 Hours	Patrol Hours Groveport Madison Middle School South		3 1/3 Hours
Patrol Hours Groveport Madison Middle School Central			2.25 Hours	Patrol Hours Groveport Elementary		3 Hours
Patrol Hours Glendening Elementary			3.25 Hours	Patrol Hours Other School		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 August has been a busy month for our agency. Between completing a new Patrol Officers Collective Bargaining Contract, to putting in place our agency's next generation of leaders by promoting three new Patrol Sergeants, and completing the hiring process for three new patrol officers; our agency is certainly taking large steps forward to keeping this police department moving in a positive direction when it comes to leadership and maintaining a high standards for police officers who will serve this community for years to come. All this movement has been a team effort from Mayor Lance Westcamp and Groveport's City Council positive support for our police department. I would also like acknowledge the City Administrative Team that is in place to help guide us through these processes and participate in process to give an outside perspective on candidates. Finally, by having the current leaders in place at the police department to handle the day to day operations of the police department operations gives me time along with the Captain and Lieutenants to handle to hiring and promotional processes in order to keep the process moving forward in a timely manner.

When it comes to the actual law enforcement functions of the Groveport Police Department, we have started off with a busy beginning of the 2021-2022 school year when it comes to traffic congestion at the Imagine Schools on Venture Place, responding to several disturbances at the Groveport Madison High School in the first couple of weeks that have led to a Madison Township Police Officer being transported to the hospital after sustaining minor injuries while attempting to stop two students from fighting in the cafeteria, and investigating verbal threats surrounding the high school and/or the students attending the high school. Lt. Josh Short and myself have attempted to communicate with Imagine Schools and Groveport Madison School District to better understand how we can work together to resolve these issues, and we are learning that both issues will take time to come up with long term solutions to remedy the problems.

Our police department and new Patrol Sergeants on August 21st during the early evening had to face a challenging critical incident that ended with only the suspect sustaining minor injuries during his arrest, and the residents being inconvenient for a little over four hours due to Elmont Place being shut down to secure the scene. This incident could have ended much differently, but with Sgt. Josh Guiler's and Sgt. John Westhoven's level headed thinking from the beginning of the response, we were very fortunate to de-escalate the situation through negotiations over a period of time, and not escalate the situation with force. I would like to thank our officers who responded to the situation quickly, this also includes Madison Township Police Department, Franklin County Sheriff's Department, Columbus Police Department Swat Team, and both Madison Township and Columbus Fire Departments. Finally, I would like to thank the Groveport Street Department for responding quickly to the area to place Road Closed Signs and barricades out in order to secure the area surrounding Elmont Place, and Administrator B.J. King for keeping all city officials informed of the process as it unfolded.



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Our Detective Bureau with this investigation at Elmont Place worked the crime scene to secure all weapons in the home, process the crime scene to identify all properties affected by this incident, and made sure all individuals surrounding the area that could have been harmed by the gun fire were accounted for and unharmed. The Detective Bureau currently has over 60 man power hours involved in this case with multiple felony indictments related to the suspects actions with the firearms he used in a residential community. I was able to contact the Franklin County Sheriff's Department in order to get the suspect's CCW Permit Suspended and possibly permanently revoked, and having Law Director Kevin Shannon contact the Franklin County Common Pleas Prosecutor Office to express our concerns for this individual's release back to our community was able to secure a high bond that he has yet to post for his release out of the Franklin County Jail.

I am currently reviewing and plan to have a debriefing on a "After Action Report" to discuss ways we can improve in these types of critical incident responses. I do not want to limit the debriefing to just the police department personnel, but the other city departments within the City of Groveport that responded and assisted in the securing of the scene and handled logistical issues. I believe that no incident is perfect, and that there is always room to improve by learning from our responses to incidents like this one.



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**GROVEPORT MADISON SCHOOLS
RESOURCE OFFICER ACTIVITY**

8/23/21 - 9/3/21

Since Groveport Madison Schools began on 8/16 School Resource Officer Kurt Boso starts his day at Groveport HS where he is stationed outside the front doors to the building greeting students as they arrive and assisting them as they cross the drive from the main parking lot to the building. After the HS students are into the building and their day gets started he drives to either Middle School Central or South and does walk-throughs there. As the middle school buses arrive Kurt is out front of the buildings with school staff greeting the students as they arrive. Once the middle school kids are inside Kurt goes to the neighboring elementary school where he visits with staff and greets the students as they arrive. After a final walk-through of that elementary school Kurt goes back to the HS.

Kurt's presence is specifically requested in the HS cafeteria during lunch hours. This keeps him rather busy as lunch runs from 1000am to 115pm. After lunch, at the end of the day at 210pm, Kurt assists with getting the buses out of the lot by operating the traffic signal on S. Hamilton Rd. Kurt then goes back into the school to work on paperwork/reports before he leaves for the day.

TIME AT OTHER SCHOOLS: 8/23-9/3

Gport Elem.	Middle Central	Glendening	Middle South
180	250	190	300

time in minutes

SRO ACTIVITY OF NOTE:

8/20 – SRO had lengthy conversation with a student about law enforcement and police relationships in the school and community

8/23 – Madison Township SRO injured trying to break up fight between two female students. Disorderly conduct report and charges completed by MTPD.

8/24 – SRO attended a meeting with Lt Short and HS admin staff to discuss procedures for Friday's varsity home football game.

8/25 – SRO investigated a complaint of a shooting threat that came in on social media. No credible information or suspect(s) were found.

8/25 – SRO notified of staff member finding student attempting to sell marijuana to other students in restroom. Investigation ongoing and charges for drug trafficking pending.

8/26 – SRO assisted MTPD SRO with fight that occurred in between the building and the buses as students were leaving at the end of the school day. Incident handled by school staff with school discipline.

8/27 – SRO assisted school security in restraining unruly student that was trying to force his way out of Alternative Classroom (AC). Student pushed and struck at security officer who later declined assault



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charges. Student was arrested, removed from school, and transported to Gport PD and then was later taken home and released per his legal guardian. Charges for disorderly conduct (DOC) and resisting arrest filed through juvenile court.

8/31 – SRO assisted security breaking up a fight in cafeteria area where security officer was struck by student. Security officer declined assault charges. SRO completed report and has charges for DOC pending through Groveport Mayor's Court.

8/31 – SRO took report from student for stolen cellphone

8/31 – Second shift officers took a report on assault that had occurred on two female students by another female student and her mother in front of the building while SRO was not there. The following day SRO helped to secure student information and statements for reporting officers. Investigation ongoing. Charges for disorderly DOC and possibly felony assault pending.

8/31-9/1 – Madison Twp SRO dealt with a fight at the buses after school. Involved parties later went to the Truro Twp home of another involved party with a large group of persons and shot at the home. (FCSO investigating). On 9/1 Groveport and Madison Twp officers met with GM school officials, in the HS, to game plan for that day and the rest of the week. The school is to have perimeter lockdown and to severely movement within the building. SRO Boso to stay in the HS for remainder of week due to security threats. Groveport patrol officers also conduct increased patrol of HS property.

ADDITIONAL OFFICER TIME AT SCHOOLS:

Nearly every school day patrol officers spend a significant amount of time monitoring traffic in the Groveport school zones. Officers also patrol the schools on foot and are regularly at the elementary schools as the kids are arriving for the day. In an average week patrol officers spend 4-5 additional hours monitoring the school zones and conducting foot patrol in the other Groveport Schools.

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