



**Cranston Police Department**  
***2017 Year End Report***  
**5 Garfield Avenue**  
**Cranston, Rhode Island 02920**



## Vision Statement

To be recognized as the most professional, well-valued, highly trained, proactive  
Community based, municipal law enforcement agency in the region.

## Mission Statement

We, the members of the Cranston Police Department, are committed to establishing  
And maintaining a proactive partnership with our residents and business owner working  
Together to solve problems facing our community.

We recognize that the success of the mission depends on a vigorous effort in to  
continually  
Enhance public safety and reduce the fear of crime in the City of Cranston. We pledge  
our  
Dedication and diligence in protecting life liberty and property; preserving the peace; and  
Enforcing laws and ordinances.

We are committed to honoring the sacred public trust by ensuring that the Cranston  
Police  
Department adheres to the highest professional law enforcement standards and maintain  
the  
Highest degree of respect for the individual rights and human dignity. We shall  
continuously  
Strive towards attaining organizational excellence and providing our employees with  
principled  
And effective leadership, ethical supervision and superior training in a quality work  
environment.

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## **Uniform Division**

### **Division Commanders**

Captain Gerard Carnevale  
Captain Russell Henry

### **Patrol Lieutenants**

Lt. Stephen Brooks  
Lt. Michael Pezzullo  
Lt. Donald Robertson  
Lt. Jamie Jennings

### **Patrol Sergeants**

Sgt. Gregg Weller  
Sgt. Brian Damico  
Sgt. Jeffrey Chapman  
Sgt. Matthew Josephson  
Sgt. Mark Campopiano  
Sgt. David Jubinville  
Sgt. Brandon Barth  
Sgt. Justin Rutkiewicz  
Sgt. Ryan Shore  
Sgt. Anthony Sassone-McHugh  
Sgt. Jon Pariseault  
Sgt. Dennis Trinh

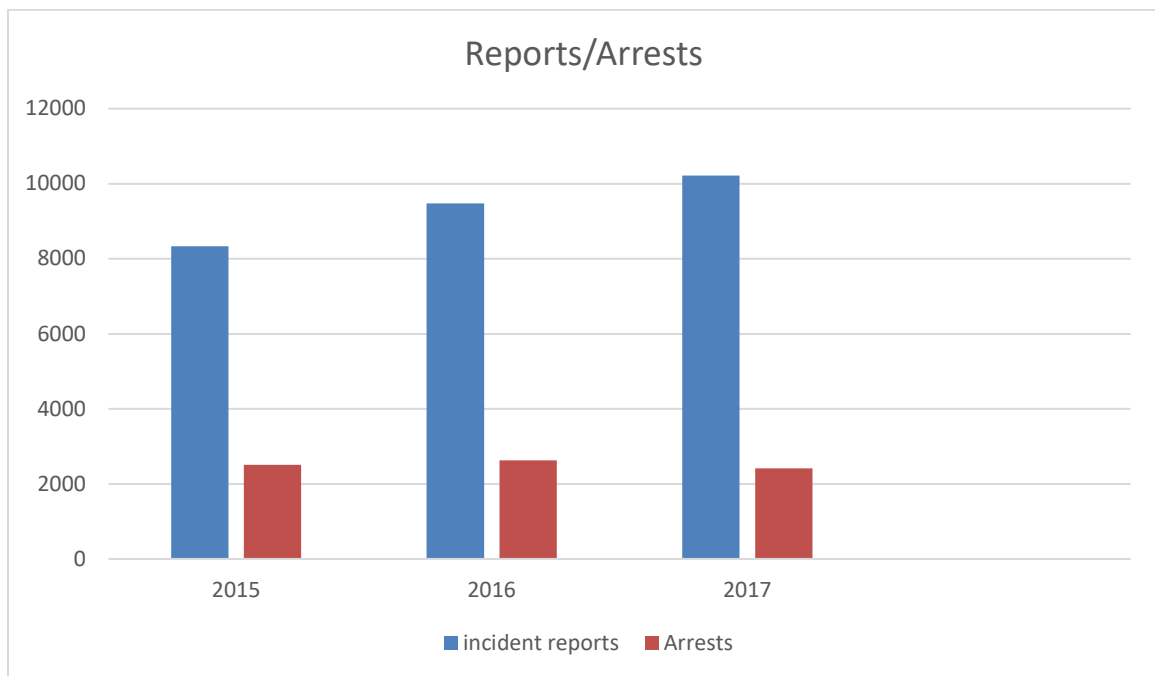
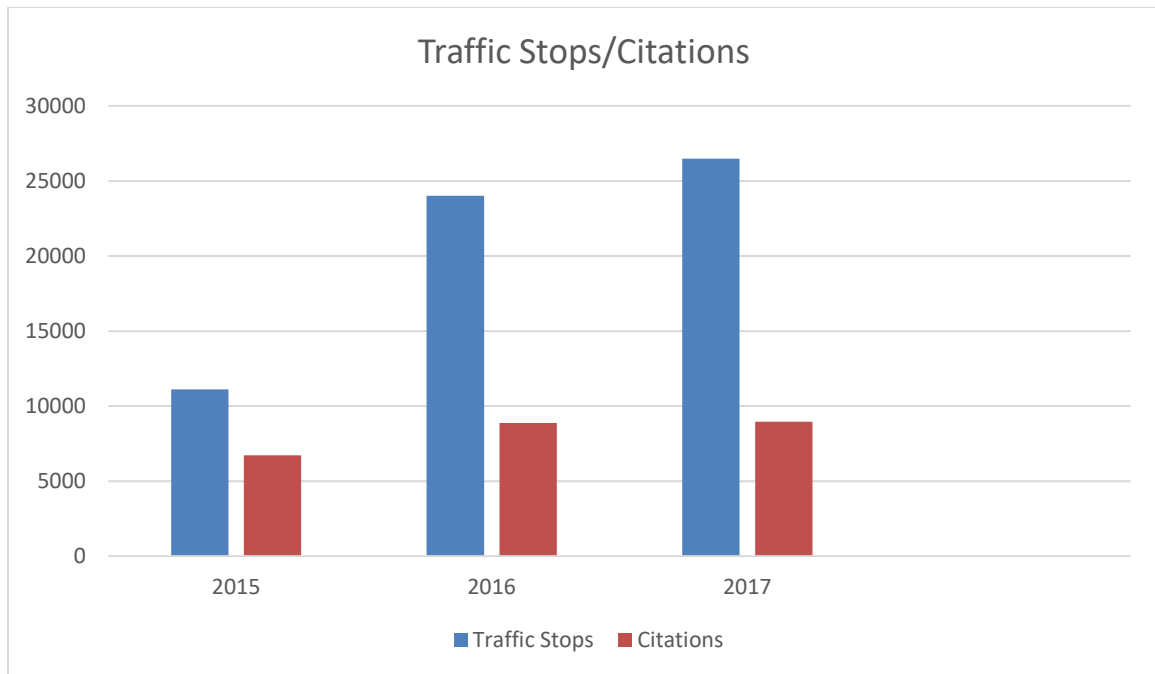
## **2017 Highlights and Accomplishments**

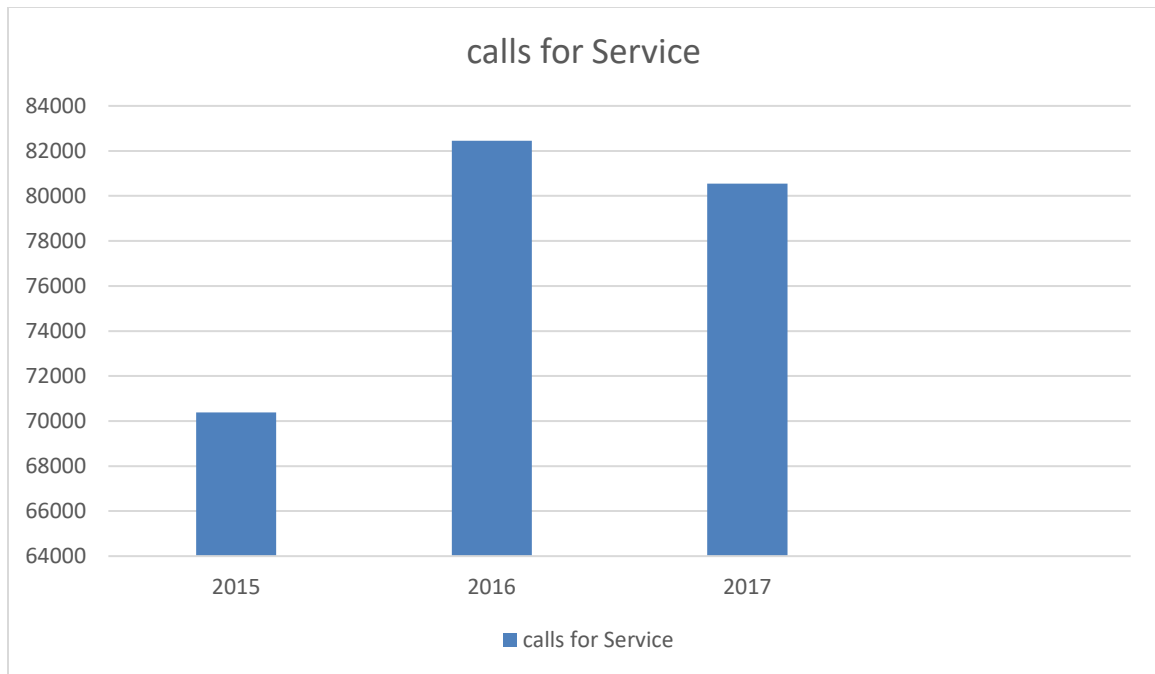
### **Overview**

Last year we finally reached our long sought after goal of being fully staffed at 153 officers. The department hired eleven new officers, five of which left other Law Enforcement Departments to join ours. In 2017 we did not hire any new officers but were able to conduct a hiring process to allow the department hire two officers from other departments and put four officers in the RIMPA in the 2018 class.

The Department took delivery of eight new marked Ford Police Interceptor SUV's. In light of the rash of police ambushes that have plagued the country the Colonel continued to order the vehicles with "Perimeter Alert Systems". These alert systems can be manually activated to protect the operator who is sitting in the parked vehicle. Cranston was the first department in the state to deploy this state of the art feature in their vehicles.

The 2017 calendar year saw a 8% increase in the number of incident reports over 2016. The traffic stops increased about 10% from 2016 despite a huge increase of 217% from the previous year. The accident total remained similar to 2016.





# 2017 K-9







The Cranston Police K9 unit has completed another year of service and we continue to be very productive. The unit is highly recognized throughout the state and continues to be called upon by other state and federal agencies.



CPD K9 unit was called for 44 mutual aid calls for service in 2017. K9 has assisted in several narcotic school searches, including Middletown and Westerly High School as well as tracking and other narcotic investigations for both adjoining jurisdictions and Federal agencies. The unit as a whole completed 26 tracks, 100 narcotic

searches, and 18 building searches assisting with our patrol units throughout the year.

This year's Hurricane season affected the amount of currency and narcotics that passed through the USPS, but we continue to be a great asset for the United States Postal.

The K9 Unit was responsible for the total seizure of \$262,500 in US currency as well narcotics with an estimated street value of \$537,491.

This chart shows the larger items seized by the Cranston Police K9 Unit in 2017.

## 2017 Cranston Police K9 Unit Totals

Case #	Location	Heroin	Cocaine	Marijuana	Meth	\$/Guns	Notes	Approx.Total Street Seizure
17-2331-OF	USPS		1.13kg				USPO (1) package	\$ 36,000.00
17-5423-OF	USPS		1.065kg	20lbs			USPO (1) package	\$ 36,000.00
17-9238-OF	USPS		4 KILOS				2 PACKAGES	\$ 144,000.00
17-2503-OF	USPS					14,000.00	2 additonal packages waiting for results	\$ 14,000.00
17-15897-OF	USPS		100g				hidden in baby powder bottle	\$ 3,600.00
17-15897-OF	USPS						10 pills 40mg Oxy	
17-14721-OF	USPS					4,000.00	cash inside macaroni and cheese box	\$ 4,000.00
17-13019-OF	USPS			4.28lbs			rubber maid	\$ 4,800.00
17-13019-OF	USPS			4.34lbs			rubber maid	\$ 4,800.00
17-26997-OF	USPS					\$55,500.00	2 Envelopes	\$ 55,500.00
17-40949-OF	DEA stop					\$100,000.00	mechanicla trap in F150 PICKUP	\$ 100,000.00
			64g				narcotics car stop	
17-75980-OF	USPS						3 large white pills of Oxycodone and Acetaminophen 1 pill oxycontin	
17-13805-OF	USPS				39 pills		10mg pills	
	USPS					\$6,000.00	ecstasy	\$ 741.00
17-18771-OF	USPS	50					cash	\$ 6,000.00
17-21273-OF	USPS		1kg				suboxone strps	\$ 1,250.00
17-25955-OF	USPS		.92KG				3 packages	\$ 36,000.00
							1 PACKAGE	\$ 32,000.00
						\$78,000.00	3 packages	\$ 78,000.00
17-33927-OF	USPS		4.17kg				6 packages	\$ 150,000.00
17-42715-OF	USPS		1kg				2 PACKAGES	\$ 36,000.00
				1lb			1 package	\$ 1,200.00
17-51920-OF	USPS			3.12lbs			4 packages	\$ 4,500.00
17-71740-OF	USPS		1.1kg				1 package	\$ 37,000.00
17-79868-OF	USPS			8lbs			3 packages	\$ 9,600.00
						\$5,000.00	1 package	\$ 5,000.00
Totals			13kg	40lbs		262,500		\$ 799,991.00

The K9 unit has also continues to grow in the community, building relationships in the public schools, K-12, as well as both the public and private sectors. Providing the community with knowledge and demonstrations of the Cranston Police K9 unit, it has created a great response from all, and continues to be very receptive as the unit completed 18 demonstrations in 2017.





Some of these demonstrations were very high profile events like those of “National Night Out” which we participated in both the City of Woonsocket and the City of Warwick, and “Touch a Truck.” We have also done a demonstration, the past two years, for the New England Tech’s Criminal Justice Program.





The K9 unit participated in several parades again this year, those including the Newport, West Warwick and Providence St. Patrick's day parades, the Gaspee Day and Aquidneck Island Police parade.



K9 Zeus and Officer Bruno highlighted this year by being featured in a nationwide calendar for Vested interest in K9s. These calendars were sold across the country from Alaska to Hawaii, with the proceeds being used to continue raising money to provide safety to police K9s across the country with its donations of K9 vests.



Officer Bruno completed four calendar signing events that helped raise more than \$2500 dollars in support of Vested Interest.





In return we were able to obtain in return a \$2,500 grant from Vested Interest to help purchase items that are in need for the unit. Due to our support with Vested Interest the K9 unit was also donated three GPS dog collars in order to assist with tracking.



This Christmas was actually a first for the city of Cranston as we made “Shop with a Cop” to “Shop with a Cop and a K9” at our local Walmart Store. It was a great success, besides some small expenses.







Officer Bagshaw and K9 Lex were out of service for the months of August through November 16<sup>th</sup>, due to Officer Bagshaw suffering a torn ACL off duty.

**Still Pending in the E-Share Portal from Post Office / FDA**

Seizure Amount	Type	Value	Status
\$29,900.00	Currency	\$29,900.00	Pending
\$58,010.00	Currency	\$58,010.00	Pending
\$27,000.00	Currency	\$27,000.00	Pending
\$28,500.00	Currency	\$28,500.00	Pending
\$1,460.00	Currency	\$1,460.00	Pending
\$70,200.00	Currency	\$70,200.00	Pending
Financial Instrument	Virtual Currency	\$246.42	Pending
Financial Instrument	Virtual Currency	\$112.90	Pending
Financial Instrument	Virtual Currency	\$3,062.16	Pending
Financial Instrument	Virtual Currency	\$4,915.13	Pending
Financial Instrument	Treasury Bills and Treasury Bonds	\$5,994.76	Pending
<b><u>Total Pending</u></b>		<b><u>\$229,401.37</u></b>	

**Forfeiture Dispersals to CPD from the Post Office for Fiscal Year 17**

<b>Asset ID</b>	<b>Asset Description</b>	<b>Decision Type</b>	<b>Trans. Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
17-USP-000618	\$22,600.00 U.S. Currency	Cash/Proceeds	08/01/2017	\$3,390.00
17-USP-000637	\$15,560.00 U.S. Currency	Cash/Proceeds	08/01/2017	\$2,334.00
17-USP-001065	\$4,000.00 U.S. Currency	Cash/Proceeds	09/13/2017	\$600.00
17-USP-001468	\$16,000.00 U.S. Currency	Cash/Proceeds	03/09/2018	\$2,400.00
<b>Total Dispersal:</b>				<b><u>\$8,724.00</u></b>



**Zeus**



**Blesk**

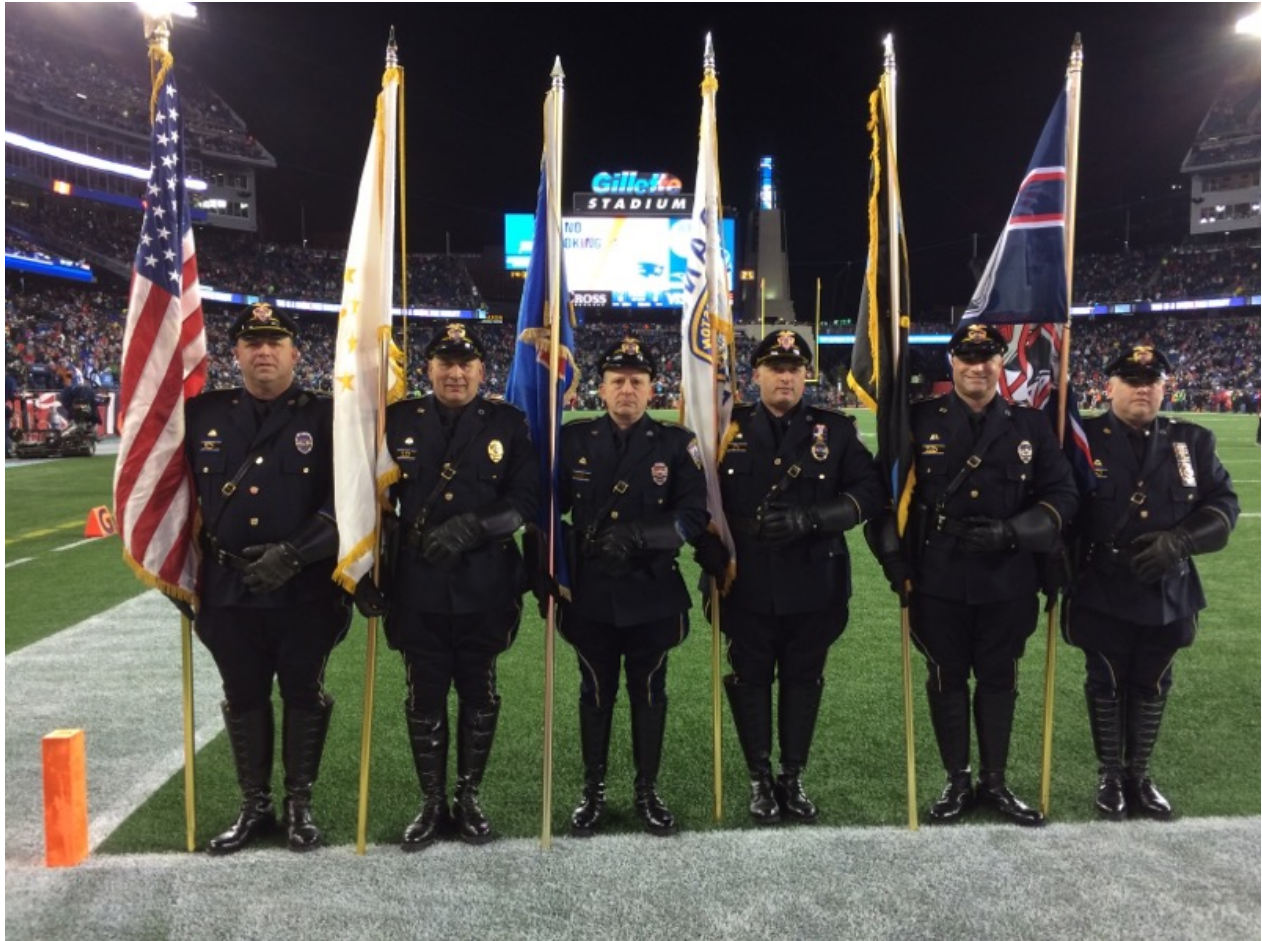


**Lex**



# Honor Guard

2017



01-02-17	City of Cranston Innaugaral Ceremony
01-14-17	New England Patriots
02-15-17	Funeral - Lt. Caniglia (Ret.)
02-20-17	Wake - Det. Nicholas Gualtieri (Ret.)
02-21-17	Funeral - Det. Nicholas Gualtieri (Ret.)
03-11-17	St. Patrick's Parade - Newport
03-12-17	St. Patrick's Parade - West Warwick
03-18-17	St. Patrick's Parade - Providence
03-26-17	Memorial Mass - Ron Gill
04-10-17	Pawsox - Opening Day
04-22-17	CLCF Little League - Opening Day
04-29-17	Cranston Western LL - Opening Ceremony
05-07-17	Aquidneck Island Police Parade
05-18-17	Police Memorial Ceremony - CPD Headquarters
05-22-17	Wake - Det. Frank Zitto
05-23-17	Funeral - Det. Frank Zitto
05-26-17	Immaculate Conception Ceremony
05-28-17	NCAA Lacrosse Championship - Gillette Stadium
06-02-17	Wounded Worrier Project Softball game
06-10-17	Gaspee Day Parade
06-14-17	Newport Gulls
06-17-17	N.E. Revolution Soccer game-Gillette
06-20-17	Funeral for CFD Lt Kevin Lang
06-28-17	Funeral for CPD Ret. Officer Gross
07-23-17	St. Mary's Parade
07-26-17	CALEA Presentation
08-04-17	Funeral for WWPd Maj. Coutu
08-26-17	PawSox - Cranston Night
09-03-17	Santa Maria Di Prata Feast Parade- (Rained Out)
09-10-17	Edgwood Eagles 911 Memorial
09-11-17	911 Memorial Ceremony at NE Tech
09-12-17	Chris Sarhagian - Wake
09-13-17	Chris Sarhagian - Funeral
09-21-17	Cranston C.C. - ASIS Public Safety Dinner - Chief
09-24-17	Blue Mass at Saints Peter and Paul
10/22/2017	Police/Fire 5K race
10/22/2017	N.E. Patriots vs Atlanta Falcons
11/3/2017	Cranston Hall of Fame at Valley CC
11/11/2017	Veterans Day at Park View
11/24/2017	1st Responders Ceremony at Shriners
12/2/2017	Special Olympics at Providence College
12/4/2017	Medal of Honor event at Gillette
12/21/2017	Robertson Wake
12/22/2017	Robertson Funeral
1/13/2018	N.E.Patriots Playoff Game

## 2017 Events

EVENT	HOURS	335	342	354	365	373	375	387	388	389	393	394	396	397	399
City of Cranston Innaugural Ceremony	1800 - 2200		X			UNIFORM		X	X	X	LOA	IOD	UNIFORM		UNIFORM
New England Patriots	1500 - 2200		X	X		UNIFORM	X					IOD	UNIFORM		X
Funeral - Lt. Caniglia (Ret.)	0830 - 1230		X			UNIFORM		X				IOD	UNIFORM		
Wake - Det. Nicholas Gualtieri (Ret.)	1600 - 2000	X		X		UNIFORM		X	X			IOD	UNIFORM	X	
Funeral - Det. Nicholas Gualtieri (Ret.)	0930 - 1330	X	X	X		UNIFORM		X		X		IOD	UNIFORM		
St. Patrick's Parade - Newport	0930 - 1400		X	X		UNIFORM	XD	X		X		IOD	UNIFORM		X
St. Patrick's Parade - West Warwick	1100 - 1500			X		UNIFORM	XD	X		X		IOD	UNIFORM		X
St. Patrick's Parade - Providence	1030-1430	X	X	XD		UNIFORM		X		X		IOD	UNIFORM		
Memorial Mass - Ron Gill	0930 - 1330	X				UNIFORM		X	X	X		IOD	UNIFORM		X
Pawsox - Opening Day	1630 - 2030	X				UNIFORM		X	X			IOD	UNIFORM		X
CLCF Little League - Opening Day	0900 - 1300					UNIFORM		X	X	X		IOD	UNIFORM		
Cranston Western LL - Opening Ceremony	0900 - 1300	X	X			UNIFORM		X		X		IOD	UNIFORM		
Aquidneck Island Police Parade	0930 - 1400		X			UNIFORM		X		X		IOD	UNIFORM		X
Police Memorial Ceremony - CPD Headquarters	0830 - 1230	X	X	X	X	UNIFORM	X	X	X	X		IOD	UNIFORM		
Wake - Det. Frank Zitto	1530 - 2030	X		X	X	UNIFORM	X	X	X			IOD	UNIFORM		X
Funeral - Det. Frank Zitto	0830 - 1230	X	X	X		UNIFORM	X	X		X		IOD	UNIFORM		
Immaculate Conception Ceremony	0830 - 1230				X	UNIFORM		X	X	X		X		X	X
NCAA Lacrosse Championship - Gillette Stadium	0800 - 1600					UNIFORM	X	X	X				X		X
Wounded Warrior Project Softball game	1715 - 2115	X				UNIFORM	X	IOD						X	X
Gaspee Day Parade	0930 - 1330	X	X		X	UNIFORM		IOD	X	X					X
Newport Gulls	1500 - 2000	X				X	X	IOD	X			X	X		X
N.E. Revolution Soccer game-Gillette	1600 - 2100		X				X	IOD				X	X		X
Funeral for CFD Lt Kevin Lang	0930 - 1330	X	X					IOD		X			X	X	
Funeral for CPD Ret. Officer Gross	0900 - 1300	X		X				IOD				X		X	
St. Mary's Parade	1030 - 1430	X		X		X	X	IOD					X		
CALEA Presentation	0600 - 1000			X											
Funeral for WWPD Maj. Coutu	0900 - 1400	X	X		V, (FS)			X	X			X	X		X
PawSox - Cranston Night	1630 - 2030		X		V, (FS)		X	X	Sick	X			X		X
Santa Maria Di Prata Feast Parade- (Rained Out)		Cancelled	Cancelled	Cancelled	Cancelled	Cancelled	Cancelled	Cancelled	Cancelled	Cancelled	Cancelled	Cancelled	Cancelled	Cancelled	Cancelled
Edgwood Eagles 911 Memorial	0900 - 1300	X		X	V, (FS)			X	Sick	X		X		X	
911 Memorial Ceremony at NE Tech	1030 - 1430	X			V, (FS)	X			Sick	X					
Chris Sarhagian - Wake	1600 - 1900	X	X	X	V, (FS)	X	X	X	Sick					X	X
Chris Sarhagian - Funeral	0930 - 1330	X		X	V, (FS)	X	X		Sick	X					
Cranston C.C. - ASIS Public Safety Dinner - Chief	1900 - 2300				Sick	X		X	Sick				X		X
Blue Mass at Saints Peter and Paul	0900 - 1300					X	X	X	Sick				X		X
Police/Fire 5K race	0900-1300								Sick						
N.E. Patriots vs Atlanta Falcons					LOA				Sick						
Cranston Hall of Fame at Valley CC	1730-2130	X					X	X	LOA	X					X
Veterans Day at Park View	0830-1230								SIU						
1st Responders Ceremony at Shriners	1830-2230								SIU						
Special Olympics at Providence College	0830-1230								SIU						
Medal of Honor event at Gillette	1630-2030	X	X			X	X		SIU		X				
Robertson Wake	1600-2000	X				X	X	X						X	
Robertson Funeral	0900-1300	X	X			X						X			
N.E.Patriots Playoff Game		X				X	X				X	X	X		
TOTAL EVENTS ATTENDED (Through 09-24-17) -	44	25	18	15	4	11	19	25	12	19	2	8	10	8	19
PARTICIPATION RATE -		56.82%	40.91%	34.09%	9.09%	25.00%	43.18%	56.82%	27.27%	43.18%	4.55%	18.18%	22.73%	18.18%	43.18%

## 2017 Attendance

# 2017 Traffic Unit Year End Report

## Overview

- The Traffic Unit currently consists of one sergeant, three patrol officers, and one civilian clerk. The Day Patrol Captain is responsible for the overall management and day to day operations of the Traffic Unit is responsible for:
  - **Investigation and reconstruction**
    - The Traffic Unit is responsible for the investigation and reconstruction of all traffic crashes that involve death or serious bodily injury. The officers assigned to the Traffic Unit receive extensive training and are certified in the investigation and reconstruction of crashes involving vehicles and pedestrians.
  - **Follow-up for all traffic crashes**
    - The Traffic Units reviews, approves, and conducts follow-up for all traffic crashes reported in the city including hit and run crashes.
  - **Prosecution of Traffic Violations**
    - The Traffic Unit is responsible for the prosecution of all traffic offenses at the Rhode Island Traffic Tribunal.
  - **Traffic Enforcement programs**
    - The Traffic Sergeant is responsible for the application and management of all traffic enforcement related grants, including but not limited to: Blue Riptide Speed, Alcohol, Child-Safety-Seat Checks, Distracted Driving, Pedestrian Safety, Click-it or Ticket, and the locally funded Cranston Accident Reduction and Enforcement (C.A.R.E.) program.
  - **Analyzing Racial Profiling Status Reports**
    - The Traffic Sergeant is responsible for reviewing data collected during all traffic stops to insure that department is in compliance with its biased based police standards. This information will then be utilized and included in an

analysis that is submitted on a Monthly, Quarterly, and Annual basis listing any anomalies which may be present.

- **Community Policing and Public Relations**

- The Traffic Unit takes part in the continued development of community policing and public relations throughout the City and State by providing educational traffic safety programs for the public, such as child-safety-seat checks and AAA Senior Driving Class.

- **AAA and RIDOT Awards, Acknowledgements, and Training**

In addition to many letters of appreciation from the residence of Cranston for the day-to-day services provided, the Traffic Division has also been recognized by AAA New England, the Rhode Island Department of Transportation, and the Rhode Island Municipal Police Training Academy.

The department received the AAA National Gold Award for Outstanding Achievement in Traffic Safety and Continuing Efforts to educate and protect the Citizens of Cranston. This award is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row the department achieved the Gold standard and this award compliments a 2009 and 2008 Gold Award, 2007 and 2006 Silver Award and a 2005 Bronze Award.

- In 2017 The City of Cranston received a Pedestrian Safety Commendation from AAA for one year without a pedestrian fatality. This commendation recognized the department's efforts in traffic enforcement and education in 2016 to eliminate any pedestrian fatalities.
- In April 2017 the traffic unit received training related to Technology Addiction, Cell Phone use While Driving, and Distracted Driving
- In April, 2017 the Traffic Unit had an officer certified as a Law Enforcement Motor Instructor and became the lead Motor Instructor in Rhode Island.
- Members of the Traffic Unit received training on extracting data from vehicle's Crash Data Recorders (CDR). The Cranston Police Department is one of only a few Rhode Island police departments who have Certified CDR Analysts. The Cranston Police Department Traffic Unit regularly assists other police departments throughout the state by extracting this data from vehicles that have been in crashes resulting in serious bodily injury or death.

### **Investigation and Reconstruction**

In 2017 members of the Traffic Division investigated one hundred and twenty nine accidents. The following is a list of more serious accidents that the Traffic Division investigated:

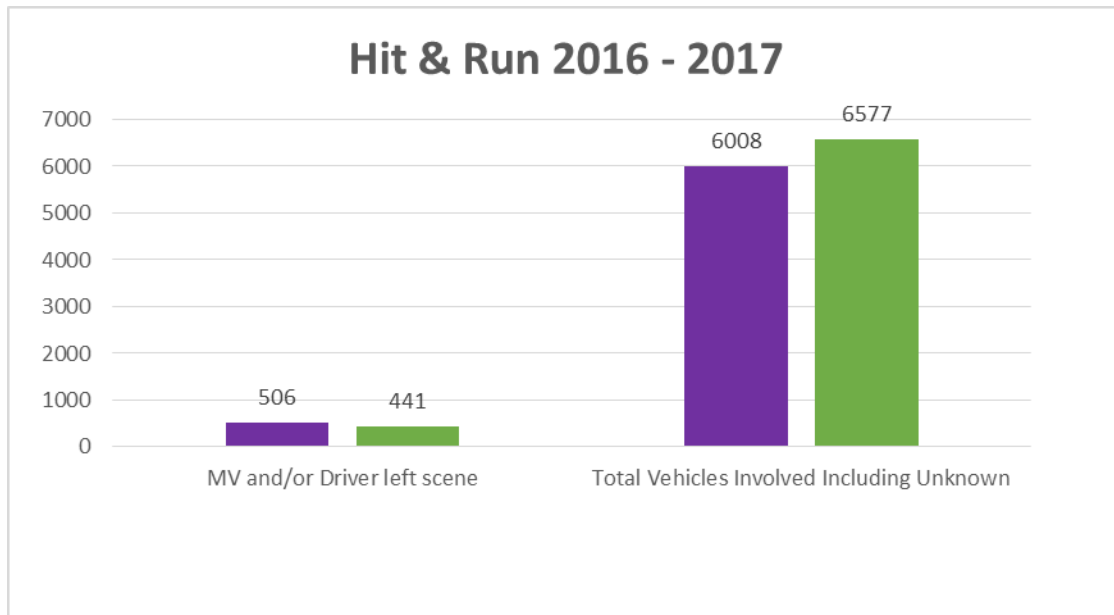


**Serious Accidents that were investigated**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Report #</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Contributing Factor</b>	
02/01/17	17-6756-AC	Plainfield Pike at Yeoman	Laned Roadway Violation	Rollover
03/01/17	17-12799-AC	98 Oaklawn	Overtaking vehicle	Pedestrian
03/04/17	17-13514-AC	1500 Oaklawn Ave	Laned Roadway Violation	Rollover
03/22/17	17-17578-AC	Park Ave. at Greenwood	Poor Pedestrian Strategy	Pedestrian Struck. <b>Fatality</b>
04/04/17	17-20200-AC	946 Scituate Ave	Medical Condition	Commercial Truck Head on collision
05/07/17	17-26771-AC	520 Union Ave	DUI	<b>Fatality</b>
05/23/17	17-30475-AC	Phenix Ave at Natick Ave.	Speed / DUI	Rollover
06/30/17	17-39453-AC	Atwood Ave. at Phenix Ave.	Poor Pedestrian Strategy	Pedestrian Struck
08/04/17	17-47305-AC	699 Park Ave.	Obedience to stop sign	Police involved Accident
08/06/17	17-47876-AC	1551 Cranston St	Speed	Serious Injury
09/21/17	17-58018-AC	Broad St	Hit & Run involving Bicyclist	Serious Injury
10/11/17	17-62936-AC	Sockanossett Crossroads	Poor Pedestrian Strategy	Pedestrian Struck
10/12/17	17-62991-AC/AR	123 Fletcher Ave.	Speed	Serious Injury

### **Follow-up for all traffic crashes**

In 2017 the traffic division investigated 441 Hit and Run Accidents. This is a decrease of 65 Hit and Run reported accidents from 2016.



### **Traffic enforcement programs**

#### **RIDOT Blue Riptide**

The Cranston Police Department partnered with the State of Rhode Island Office on Highway Safety and received funding for its BLUE RIPTIDE program. This provides funding for several categories of traffic enforcement, including Speed, DUI, Distracted Driving, and Passenger Safety (Click it or Ticket), Pedestrian Safety.

**Operation Blue Riptide DWI Enforcement**

		DWI	Other	Speed		
<u>2016</u>		<u>Arrest</u>	<u>Arrest</u>	<u>Violations</u>	<u>Warnings</u>	<u>Contacts</u>
97 Details	Totals	29	6	237	109	549

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42 Details	Totals	12	15	106	73	279
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**Operation Blue Riptide Speed Reduction Enforcement**

		Speed	Other	Other		
<u>2016</u>		<u>Violations</u>	<u>Violations</u>	<u>Arrest</u>	<u>Warnings</u>	<u>Contacts</u>
145 Details	Totals	978	480	24	207	1519

2017

150 Details	Totals	1027	295	25	320	1607
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**Click or Ticket Enforcement**

		Seatbelt		
<u>2016</u>		<u>Violations</u>	<u>Warnings</u>	<u>Contacts</u>
95 Details	Totals	808	157	1013

2017

79 Details	Totals	610	154	846
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**Distracted Driving Reduction Enforcement**

<u>2017</u>	<u>Contacts</u>	<u>Warning</u>	<u>Violations</u>	<u>Other Violations</u>	<u>Arrest</u>
42 Details	412	71	143	245	7

### **Pedestrian Safety**

<u>2017</u>	<u>Contacts</u>	<u>Warning</u>	<u>Violations</u>	<u>Other Violations</u>	<u>Arrest</u>
8 Details	91	15	64	36	0

### **Child Safety Occupant Protection**

In addition to monies provided to perform these details, the state also provides funding to the Cranston Police Department for the purchase of child safety seats and other items related to the installation of those seats. The Cranston Police Department Traffic Unit installs 10-15 car seats, on average, per week, in the form of a free public service to the citizens of the City of Cranston and surrounding communities. Annual child car seat events are held at the Cranston Library on Sockanosset Crossroads, Kmart, and Garden City.

In 2017 the Cranston Police Department partnered with Hasbro Children's Hospital to provide new car seats to needy mothers who meet the low income requirements as set forth by the State of Rhode Island.

### **C.A.R.E.**

In addition to the Blue Riptide Program, the City of Cranston funds its own targeted traffic enforcement program. The Cranston Accident Reduction and Enforcement program (CARE) is similar to the Blue Riptide Speed Enforcement Program and was implemented to provide traffic enforcement in areas which are determined to be problem through data analysis. In 2017, officers conducting enforcement for this program issued 2139 violations.

### **CCAP Party Patrol Details**

The Cranston Police Department and the Cranston Comprehensive Community Action Program (CCAP) joined forces in the battle against underage drinking. CCAP provided \$18,000 towards "party patrol" details that were worked throughout the year. CCAP providing the funds so the department could deploy extra officers to patrol and look for impaired operators. Additionally, the program enabled officers to stop in liquor establishments to check for over consumption and underage drinking.

### **Analyzing Racial Profiling Status Reports**

In 2017 the Cranston Police conducted 26,299 traffic stops, with 157 of those stops resulting in a vehicle search. Officers are required to collect data during these stops to document the race and sex of the operator. This is done so the data can be periodically analyzed by supervisors to ensure the officers are not conducting enforcement based the on race or sex of the motorist.

#### **Race Stop Totals**

<b>Race</b>	<b>Totals</b>	
Black/African American	4072	14.5%
White	16469	58.8%
Native American	48	< 1%
Asian/Pacific Island/East Indian	1068	3.8%
Black Hispanic	1331	4.8%
White Hispanic	5018	17.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>28006</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

#### **Reasons**

	Black	White	Amer. Ind	Asian / Ind	Black Hisp	White Hisp	Total
Investigatory	123 3.0%	671 4.1%	2 4.2%	38 3.6%	39 2.9%	170 3.4%	1043 3.7%
Violation	3931 96.5%	15716 95.4%	45 93.8%	1025 96.0%	1285 96.5%	4821 96.1%	26823 95.8%
Assist	18 < 1%	82 < 1%	1 2.1%	5 < 1%	7 < 1%	27 < 1%	140 < 1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4072 100.0%</b>	<b>16469 100.0%</b>	<b>48 100.0%</b>	<b>1068 100.0%</b>	<b>1331 100.0%</b>	<b>5018 100.0%</b>	<b>28006 100.0%</b>

### Outcome Totals

	Black	White	Amer. Ind	Asian / Ind	Black Hisp	White Hisp	Total
M/V Citation	797 19.6%	4466 27.1%	23 47.9%	269 25.2%	299 22.5%	1168 23.3%	7022 25.1%
N/D	29 < 1%	115 < 1%	1 2.1%	7 < 1%	5 < 1%	34 < 1%	191 < 1%
Warning	2879 70.7%	10502 63.8%	22 45.8%	720 67.4%	912 68.5%	3370 67.2%	18405 65.7%
Arrest Driver	120 2.9%	228 1.4%	0 0%	7 < 1%	39 2.9%	119 2.4%	513 1.8%
Arrest Passenger	13 < 1%	21 < 1%	0 0%	2 < 1%	2 < 1%	7 < 1%	45 < 1%
No Action	234 5.7%	1137 6.9%	2 4.2%	63 5.9%	74 5.6%	320 6.4%	1830 6.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4072</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>16469</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>48</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>1068</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>1331</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>5018</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>28006</b> <b>100.0%</b>

### Duration Totals

	Black	White	Amer. Ind	Asian / Ind	Black Hisp	White Hisp	Total
0-15 Minutes	3718 91.3%	15741 95.6%	48 100.0%	1023 95.8%	1214 91.2%	4631 92.3%	26375 94.2%
16-30 Minutes	290 7.1%	597 3.6%	0 0%	38 3.6%	101 7.6%	328 6.5%	1354 4.8%
Over 30 Minutes	64 1.6%	131 < 1%	0 0%	7 < 1%	16 1.2%	59 1.2%	277 < 1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4072</b>	<b>16469</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>1068</b>	<b>1331</b>	<b>5018</b>	<b>28006</b>

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**Search Totals**

	Black	White	Amer. Ind	Asian / Ind	Black Hisp	White Hisp	Total
Yes	122 3.0%	203 1.2%	0 0%	14 1.3%	49 3.7%	107 2.1%	495 1.8%
No	3950 97.0%	16266 98.8%	48 100.0%	1054 98.7%	1282 96.3%	4911 97.9%	27511 98.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4072</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>16469</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>48</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>1068</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>1331</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>5018</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>28006</b> <b>100.0%</b>

**Search Reason Totals**

	Black	White	Amer. Ind	Asian / Ind	Black Hisp	White Hisp	Total
Incident to Arrest	45 26.5%	71 25.5%	0 0%	3 0.0%	12 18.2%	36 24.2%	167 24.6%
Probable Cause	37 21.8%	66 23.7%	0 0%	3 20.0%	17 25.8%	34 22.8%	157 23.2%
Terry Frisk	9 5.3%	11 4.0%	0 0%	0 0%	3 4.5%	7 4.7%	30 4.4%
Plain view contraband	11 6.5%	34 12.2%	0 0%	0 0%	9 13.6%	14 9.4%	68 10.0%
Odor of Drugs/Alcohol	41 24.1%	47 16.9%	0 0%	6 40.0%	13 19.7%	33 22.1%	140 20.6%
Inventory/Tow	22 12.9%	39 14.0%	0 0%	0 0%	7 10.6%	20 13.4%	88 13.0%
Reasonable Articulate	5 2.9%	10 3.6%	0 0%	3 20.0%	5 7.6%	5 3.4%	28 4.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>170</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>278</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b> <b>0%</b>	<b>15</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>66</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>149</b> <b>100.0%</b>	<b>678</b> <b>100.0%</b>

### Search Results

	Black	White	Amer. Ind	Asian / Ind	Black Hisp	White Hisp	Total
None	79 61.2%	119 57.2%	0 0%	14 100.0%	28 52.8%	64 56.1%	304 58.7%
Weapons	7 5.4%	4 1.9%	0 0%	0 0%	3 5.7%	1 <1%	15 2.9%
Money	4 3.1%	5 2.4%	0 0%	0 0%	2 3.8%	6 5.3%	17 3.3%
Drugs/Drug	33 25.6%	69 33.2%	0 0%	0 0%	16 30.2%	37 32.5%	155 29.9%
Alcohol	4 3.1%	7 3.4%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	6 5.3%	17 3.3%
Other	2 1.6%	4 1.9%	0 0%	0 0%	4 7.5%	0 0%	10 1.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>129 100.0%</b>	<b>208 100.0%</b>	<b>0 0%</b>	<b>14 100.0%</b>	<b>53 100.0%</b>	<b>114 100.0%</b>	<b>518 100.0%</b>

### Search Scope Totals

	Black	White	Amer. Ind	Asian / Ind	Black Hisp	White Hisp	Total
Driver	105 47.7%	159 44.5%	0 0%	10 43.5%	46 43.4%	88 43.8%	408 45.0%
Passenger	36 16.4%	58 16.2%	0 0%	6 26.1%	20 18.9%	34 16.9%	154 17.0%
Vehicle	79 35.9%	140 39.2%	0 0%	7 30.4%	40 37.7%	79 39.3%	345 38.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>220 100.0%</b>	<b>357 100.0%</b>	<b>0 0%</b>	<b>23 100.0%</b>	<b>106 100.0%</b>	<b>201 100.0%</b>	<b>907 100.0%</b>



## **Traffic enforcement**

### **Directed Patrols around public schools**

At the beginning of the school year, directed traffic enforcement patrols and Traffic Officers increased traffic enforcement in areas directly around Cranston Public Schools. This was to bring attention to children walking to school and reduce speeding around the schools.

### **Directed Patrols by Traffic Division**

After receiving citizen complaints, traffic officers, CARE details and directed traffic enforcement patrols are assigned to these areas to target specific violations. Review of data, post enforcement, shows a decline in neighborhood complaints, speeding and an increase in quality of life.

### **Data-Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS)**

The Cranston Police Traffic Unit uses a data analysis methodology called DDACTS to determine locations to deploy directed traffic enforcement patrols. The DDACTS methodology integrates location-based crime and traffic data to establish effective and efficient methods for deploying law enforcement and other resources. Using geo-mapping to identify areas that have high incidences of crime and crashes, DDACTS uses traffic enforcement strategies that play a dual role in fighting crime and reducing crashes and traffic violations. Drawing on the deterrent of highly visible traffic enforcement and the knowledge that crimes often involve the use of motor vehicles, the goal of DDACTS is to reduce the incidence of crime, crashes, and traffic violations across the country.

## **Traffic Year to Year Statistics**

The following year to year review contain accident related statistics comparing calendar years 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017. The Traffic Unit uses the information contained in this report to identify trends that need attention through continued traffic enforcement and community education. Review of this information will also identify locations of future targeted enforcement deployment strategies, by the identification of the time(s), day(s), and location(s) where the City of Cranston experiences the most crashes. The desired outcome is that the Cranston Police Department will have a positive impact in reducing collisions throughout the city and preventing the loss of property, and more importantly, the loss of life in 2018.

#### Overview of Traffic Stats

<b>Category</b>	<b>2014</b> <b>(%of change)</b>	<b>2015</b> <b>(%of change)</b>	<b>2016</b> <b>(%of change)</b>	<b>2017</b> <b>(%of change)</b>
Total Crashes	3,447 (+4%)	3547 (+3%)	3435 (-3%)	3468 (+1%)
Total Injuries	785 (+20%)	774 (-1%)	805 (+4%)	730 (-10%)
DWI Arrests	106 (+35%)	99 (-7%)	85 (-16%)	90 (+5%)
Fatal Crashes	7 (+133%)	0 (-700%)	2 (+200%)	2 (0%)
Hit and Run Reports	467 (-1%)	503 (+7%)	506 (0%)	467 (-8%)
Total Car stops	10599 (-3%)	11107 (+4%)	23799 (+214%)	26458 (+11%)

#### **Goals**

It is always the goal of the Cranston Police Department Traffic Division to perform in a professional manner and provide the citizens of the City of Cranston with the highest quality public service possible. We will continuously analyze traffic statistics, as well as citizens' individual concerns, in order to accurately determine areas that require targeted traffic enforcement. We will continue to look for new ways to further develop good public relations and safety on the roadways within the City of Cranston.

### **Animal Control 2017 Annual Report**

The Cranston Animal Control Division falls under the direction of the Police Department and is managed by the day Uniform Division Commander. The Shelter is staffed by three full time Animal Control Officers and a Kennel Custodian, who also serves as the Adoption Coordinator. The mission of the Animal Control division is to protect the health and safety of our residents, and to protect animals and promote their humane treatment.

The Animal Control Division will make every effort to promote pet adoptions of healthy, non-aggressive animals by the general public and by approved animal rescue organizations. To reduce the number of homeless pets, we will ensure that all dogs and cats are spayed or neutered prior to adoption. In 2017, the Cranston Animal Shelter took in 196 dogs and 185 cats. Through hard work by the Shelter employees and volunteers the adoption rate was 89% for dogs and 90% for cats.

In 2017, many physical improvements were made to the interior and exterior of the Shelter. In addition, two new vans were purchased to upgrade the aging vehicles. The vans were customized

by the Fleet Maintenance Division by being outfitted with stainless steel cages and equipment holders.



Before



After



# **Cranston Police**

## **2017 Mountain Bike Unit Year End Report**

*Capt. Sean Parker*

### **2017 Mountain Bike Unit**

*Team Leader – Capt. Sean Parker*

*Asst. Team Leaders/Instructors – Sgt. Ryan Shore, Off. Seth Aldrich*

### **2017 Bike Unit Statistics**

The Mountain Bikes were on the road during various times, locations, and places from May through October, as well as the holidays in December. During that time frame and with only being on the road for 3 to 4 hour stretches, the bike unit handled the following:

- 631 calls for service
- Wrote approximately 102 citations (including at minimum 55 handicap violations)
  - o It should be noted the total citations is probably higher, but it is difficult to track the citations when officers write them on bike patrol
- Assisted or was the primary arresting officer for 8 arrests
- Handled security at Saint Mary's Feast, the Gaspee Day Parade, Garden City Shopping Center concerts, as well as assisting in numerous parades and road races.

### **Training/Schools**

In 2017, the department ran 5 IPMBA Police cycle instructor courses, certifying a total of 21 officers, and one civilian security guard. The ability to have our own instructors allows the department to save money by certifying our own officers, as well as hold schools and trainings for other departments.





## **Mountain Bicycle Room**

In 2017, the bike unit took advantage of an underutilized room in the basement of headquarters, and helped to transform it into a new equipment/maintenance center. The team researched and purchased equipment for the room, including work stations, bicycle racks, compressors, and bicycle repair equipment. The team leaders were also trained on bicycle repair, allowing us to perform our own minor maintenance and repairs.





Cranston Police Department  
Detective Division

*2017 Year End Report*



*Captain Karen Guilbeault*  
*Division Commander*

## INTRODUCTION

The Cranston Police Department Detective Division is comprised of a captain, who serves as the division commander, two lieutenants, five sergeants, thirty two (32) permanent detectives one temporary detective, three civilian clerks, a part time crime analyst, and one domestic violence advocate.

Throughout 2017, the division was divided into five units: the Bureau of Criminal Identification (BCI), Criminal Investigations (CIU), Prosecution, Special Investigations (SIU), and the Special Victims Unit (SVU). In addition to their regular duties, several members of these units also serve on state and federal task forces.

The Cranston Police Department Detective Division enjoys an exceptional working relationship with many agencies including other local police agencies and the Rhode Island State Police, as well as the following federal agencies and task forces: RI Violent Fugitive Task Force, (RIVFTF) Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF), United States Marshal Service Sex Offender Task Force (SOLEMN), Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC), RI Human Trafficking Task Force (HSI) and the Human Trafficking/Child Exploitation Task Force (FBI).

In cooperation with our law enforcement and community partners, it is our mission to promote the highest level of public safety and quality of life through exceptional police service to city residents, businesses and visitors.

## **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT (CIU)**

For purposes of supervisory oversight regarding case assignment, monitoring, and review within the Criminal Investigations Unit (CIU) and Special Victims Unit (SVU), personnel have been divided into 3 groups, with one Sergeant assigned to each group. This composition allows for Detective Sergeants and the Detective Lieutenant to more closely monitor individual detectives' cases, as well as the division's overall case load.

The Criminal Investigations Unit (CIU) is responsible for follow up investigations concerning all crimes that are reported to Cranston Police and which are not solved during the initial patrol response, as well as any additional follow-up which is deemed necessary by the division commander, patrol supervisors and/or police administration.

Detectives in CIU are trained investigators who investigate crimes that may require specialized techniques including forensic examinations, surveillance, review of modus operandi and patterns of criminal activity as well as the cultivation of informants. Virtually any crime which requires a follow-up investigation, excluding those handled by the Special Victim's Unit, or the Special Investigative Unit (SIU), is assigned to CIU, based on solvability factors.

Overall, in 2017 the Criminal Investigations Unit made 110 arrests based on follow up investigations and completed 62 warrants. The Unit investigated and solved two (2) homicides. CIU detectives also investigated ten (10) arsons, over two hundred (200) burglaries/break and entering, twenty two (22) robberies and seventy five (75) aggravated assaults.

Within the Criminal Investigations Unit, one detective is assigned to focus solely on fraud investigations. This Investigator was responsible for a total of 363 cases. He processed thirty six (36) A+A warrants, six (6) search warrants and four (4) phone dump warrants. In addition to fraud investigations, he assisted on other major investigations such as all homicides, as well as being assigned to cover prosecution duties on several occasions throughout the year.

## 2017 Crime Comparison Report - SVU

	Category	Description	IBR Code	2017	2016	Pct Change
Violent	Homicide	Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter	09A	2	1	100%
	Sex Offenses, Forcible	Forcible Rape	11A	17	27	-37%
		Forcible Sodomy	11B	2	1	100%
		Statutory Rape	36B	2	0	n/a
		Sexual Assault w/ an Object	11C	3	1	200%
		Forcible Fondling	11D	17	18	-6%
Total Violent Crimes				43	48	-10%
Property	Arson	Arson	200	0	1	-100%
	Burglary	Burglary/B&E	220	4	6	-33%
	Larceny	Shoplifting	23C	4	17	-76%
		Theft from Building	23D	5	2	150%
		Thef of MV Parts	23G	0	6	-100%
		Theft from MV	23F	2	6	-67%
		All Other Larceny	23H	13	8	63%
	Total Property Crimes				28	45
Other	Intimidation	Intimidation	13C	18	46	-61%
	Kidnaping/Abduction	Kidnaping/Abduction	100	1	3	-67%
	Assault Other	Simple Assault	13B	25	39	-36%
	Vandalism	Destruction/Vandalism of Property	290	147	32	359%
	Counterfeit/Forgery	Counterfeiting/Forgery	250	3	8	-63%
	False Pretenses/Swindle	False Pretenses/Swindle	26A	3	7	-57%
	Fraud	Credit Automatic Teller	26B	0	5	-100%
		Wire Fraud	26E	2	1	100%
		Impersonation Fraud	26C	2	14	-86%
	Embezzlement	Embezzlement	270	2	1	100%
	Extortion/Blackmail	Extortion/Blackmail	210	1	0	n/a
	Stolen Property	Stolen Property	280	1	3	-67%
Total Other Crimes				205	159	29%

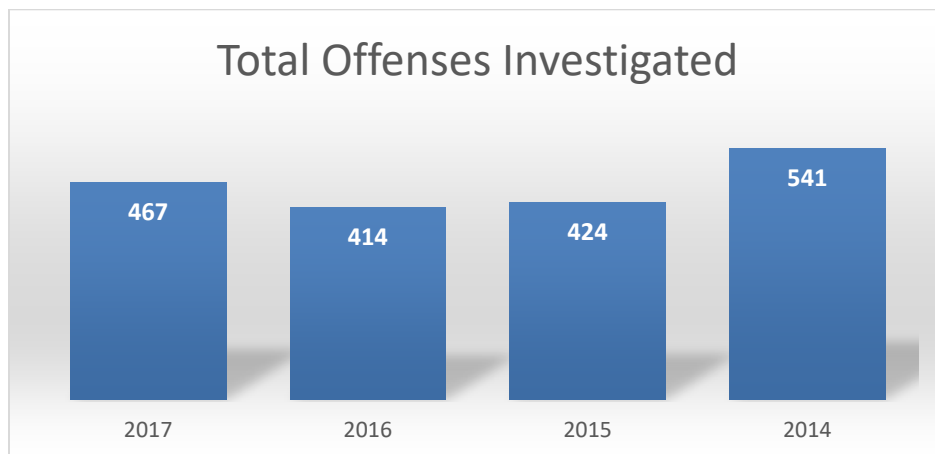
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		Sexual Assault w/ an Object	11C	4	1	300%
		Forcible Fondling	11D	23	20	15%
	Robbery	Robbery	120	22	22	0%
	Aggravated Assault	Aggravated Assault	13A	75	74	1%
<b>Total Violent Crimes</b>				<b>151</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Property</b>	Arson	Arson	200	10	8	25%
	Burglary	Burglary/B&E	220	219	234	-6%
	Larceny	Pick-pocketing	23A	0	2	-100%
		Purse-snatching	23B	1	2	-50%
		Shoplifting	23C	273	302	-10%
		Theft from Building	23D	205	251	-18%
		Theft of MV Parts	23G	61	106	-42%
		Theft from MV	23F	217	260	-17%
		All Other Larceny	23H	206	251	-18%
	MV Theft	MV Theft	240	97	142	-32%
<b>Total Property Crimes</b>				<b>1289</b>	<b>1558</b>	<b>-17%</b>
<b>Other</b>	Intimidation	Intimidation	13C	39	46	-15%
	Kidnaping/Abduction	Kidnaping/Abduction	100	4	3	33%
	Assault Other	Simple Assault	13B	407	419	-3%
	Vandalism	Destruction/Vandalism of Property	290	381	424	-10%
	Counterfeit/Forgery	Counterfeiting/Forgery	250	75	71	6%
	False Pretenses/Swindle	False Pretenses/Swindle	26A	213	183	16%
	Fraud	Credit Automatic Teller	26B	92	95	-3%
		Welfare Fraud	26D	1	1	0%
		Wire Fraud	26E	8	8	0%
		Impersonation Fraud	26C	15	14	7%
	Embezzlement	Embezzlement	270	36	28	29%
	Extortion/Blackmail	Extortion/Blackmail	210	4	0	n/a
	Stolen Property	Stolen Property	280	72	74	-3%
<b>Total Other Crimes</b>				<b>1347</b>	<b>1366</b>	<b>-1%</b>

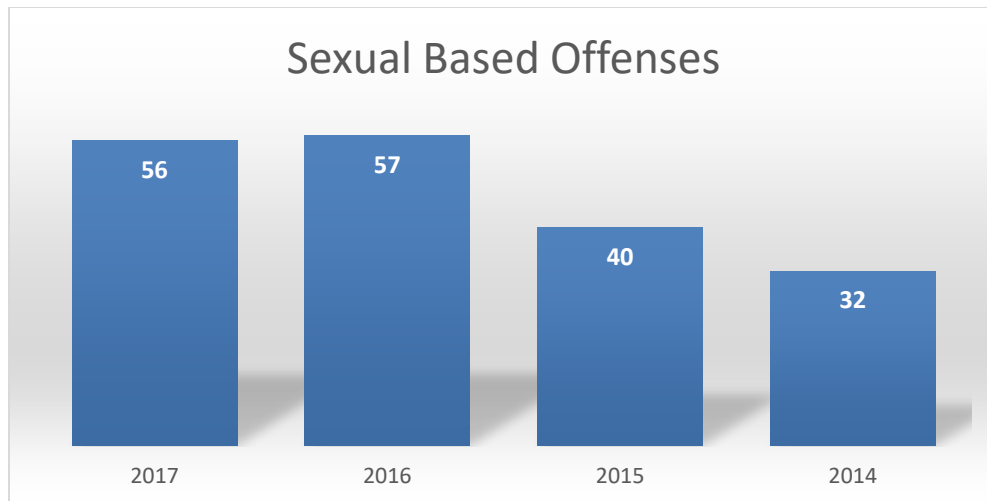
## SPECIAL VICTIMS UNIT (SVU)

The Special Victims Unit (SVU) is responsible for the investigation of all offenses within the City of Cranston that involve domestic violence, elderly offenses, sexual offenses, juvenile offenders or victims, vandalisms, missing persons, runaways, family court prosecutions and the maintenance of the sexual offender registry. In order to meet this mission, the SVU is comprised of four detectives, a civilian domestic violence advocate/law enforcement liaison and is supervised by a detective sergeant.

The SVU was responsible for conducting a total of 467 follow-up investigations during 2017. That number is a slight increase from the 2016 total. One of those investigations was an infant homicide which has been solved and adjudicated. Please refer to the chart below for a four (4) year comparison



The SVU detectives investigated 56 incidents of criminal sexual contact in 2017. Compared to 2014 and 2015, the 2016 and 2017 numbers show an upward trend in the overall number of reported incidents of sexual crime.



### ***Federal Sex Offender Registry***

The unit conducted 326 activities that directly relate to the maintenance and supervision of the Sex Offender Registry for the City of Cranston. A Detective assigned to the SVU is responsible for tracking and monitoring all sex offenders who reside in the City of Cranston. In 2017 this Detective initiated 96 sex offender community notifications for level two and three offenders as required by law. The chart below shows the other activities related to the maintenance of this registry, including the 109 checks that were conducted to ensure compliance with the offender registry requirements.

<b>Sex Offender Related Activities</b>	<b>2017</b>
<b>Sex Offender Registrations</b>	18
<b>Sex Offender Address Change</b>	44
<b>Sex Offender Compliance Checks</b>	109
<b>Community Notifications</b>	96
<b>Warrants (Failure to Register &amp; Failure to Notify)</b>	24
<b>Arrests (Based Upon Warrants)</b>	10
<b>Assists to Other Agencies</b>	25
<b>Total Sex Offender Related Activities:</b>	<b>326</b>



### ***Domestic Violence/Law Enforcement Advocate***

The Domestic Violence/ Law Enforcement Advocate is tasked with providing enhanced services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault/abuse. The advocate position is funded entirely by federal grants and personnel is provided to the police department by the Elizabeth Buffum Chace Center.

The advocate refers victims of domestic violence, as well as family members when required, for services such as counseling, legal assistance and shelter placement. In an effort to coordinate and streamline services, the advocate works with many outside agencies such as the RI Attorney General's Office, Day One, Cranston Community Action, Tri-Town Community Action, DCYF, and Department of Elderly Affairs.

The advocate also provides written correspondence, telephone contact and in person support to and on behalf of, any victim who is serviced by the Cranston Police Department when the advocate's services are requested. The advocate also provides in- person support during interviews with investigators, as well as accompaniment to court hearings. All advocate services are voluntary after the initial telephone contact is made with a victim, once the case has been assigned.

In addition to support services, the Law Enforcement Advocate participates in trainings and workshops throughout communities in Rhode Island, in an effort to enhance awareness of domestic and sexual abuse related crimes. The advocate also engages in monthly meetings involving Cranston United Against Violence and Abuse Task Force "CUAVA."

In 2017 the advocate participated in the following:

- Elizabeth Buffum Chace Center staff meetings
- RI Domestic Violence Curriculum Planning
- Assisted with training at the RI Municipal Police Academy.
- Law Enforcement Assessment Project which evaluated the Law Enforcement Advocate Program throughout the State of Rhode Island.
- Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault DV/SA training for staff members at the Cranston Senior Center and Victoria Court Assisted Living Program.
- (December 1-9) the advocate facilitated and instructed at a one-week domestic violence/sexual assault in-service training for all Cranston Police Officers. The training was mandatory for all sworn CPD officers and was held over a five-day training at the Cranston Police Academy. The topics of instruction included, but not limited to, review of DV/SA statutes, stalking, cyber DV/SA crimes, lethality risk assessments, protection orders, and drug facilitated sexual assaults. The Law Enforcement Advocate stands committed to the goal of community outreach, in the hope of preventing violence, abuse, and victimization of all age groups.
- The advocate continues to provide outreach services in the City of Cranston by speaking regularly with other agencies in an attempt to provide the best possible services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

<b>2017</b>	<b>1st Quarter</b>	<b>2nd Quarter</b>	<b>3rd Quarter</b>	<b>4th Quarter</b>	<b>Total</b>
Incidents of Domestic Violence	136	111	91	69	407
Victims Services Referred	132	107	90	64	406

*Family Court Liaison Officer/Juvenile Prosecution Detective*

The SVU Prosecution Officer is assigned as the Family Court Liaison Officer/ Juvenile Prosecution Detective. In 2017, he presented thirty-three (33) juveniles as delinquent and one hundred seventy-eight (178) juveniles as wayward to the Family Court; Nine (9) of the juveniles required emergency detention at the Rhode Island Training School. The juvenile arrest log, which is kept as a mandate of federal law, was also maintained by Detective Maloney. This log may be referred to for a breakdown of juvenile criminal activity during 2017.

Classification	2017	2016	2015	2014
Delinquent (Felony Crimes for Juveniles)	33	54	36	85
Emergency Detentions	9	22	15	33
Wayward (Status and Misdemeanor Offenses)	178	218	220	254

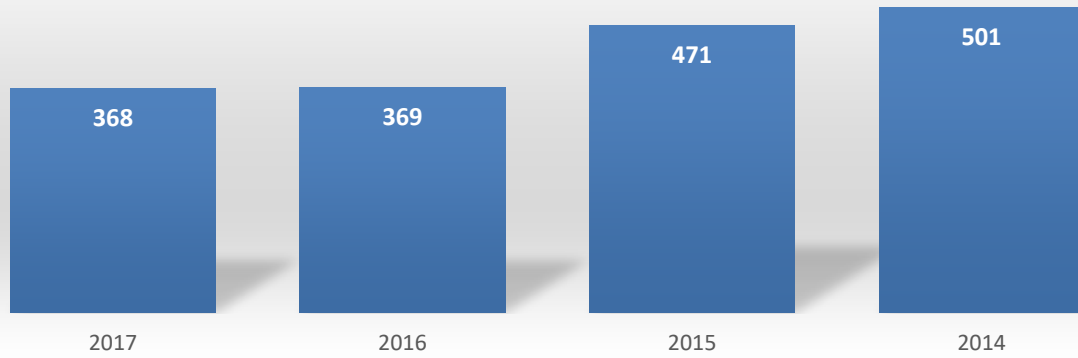
### ***Juvenile Hearing Board***

The Juvenile Hearing Board (JHB) is a diversionary program for youth who commit offenses which, in the opinion of the police, would be better adjudicated outside of the traditional Family Court setting. Cases are reviewed by the Juvenile Prosecution Detective and interviews are conducted with the offender and his/her parent or guardian. If the offender and the guardian agree with the facts of the case, (juvenile pleads guilty) they are given a hearing date to appear before the juvenile hearing board.

The board consists of seven (7) regular members and three (3) alternates. Board members are residents of Cranston and are appointed by the City Council. The Board is empowered to administer sanctions including community service, the loss of driver's license, written essays and other measures which may be deemed appropriate. Once penalties are imposed, the board conducts a follow-up hearing to ensure compliance with the prescribed sanctions.

In 2017 the JHB handled 20 new cases with hearings.

## Juvenile Offenses



Offense	2017	2016	2015	2014
Murder	1	0	0	0
Forcible Rape	11	10	4	6
Forcible Sodomy	2	0	1	2
Sexual Assault w Object	4	0	1	3
Forcible Fondling	12	6	5	2
Robbery	4	0	2	5
Aggravated Assault	12	4	3	0
Simple Assault	42	45	39	51
Intimidation	6	6	2	3
Arson	2	2	0	0
Extortion/Blackmail	1	0	0	0
Breaking and Entering	7	9	2	14
Pocket-Picking	0	1	0	0
Shoplifting	13	31	36	54

Theft From a Building	13	5	11	14
Theft From a Motor Vehicle	0	17	4	6
Motor Vehicle Theft	3	12	9	6
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	0	3	1	4
All Other Larceny	18	9	9	13
Counterfeiting / Forgery	1	0	1	1
Fraud / False Pretenses	2	1	2	10
Credit Card / Automatic Teller	1	0	0	2
Impersonation	1	0	0	0
Embezzlement	1	1	5	2
Hacking/Computer Invasion	1	0	0	0
Stolen Property	7	12	10	5
Vandalism	19	12	22	32
Drugs / Narcotic Violations	14	7	16	15
Pornography/Obscene Material	1	1	2	0
Weapons Violations	7	24	4	7
Prostitution	1	0	0	1
Bad Checks	1	0	1	7
Disorderly Conduct	73	97	77	86
Liquor Law Violations	2	3	1	3
Runaway	31	18	22	28
Trespassing	0	6	4	6
All Other Offenses	33	106	49	66
Traffic, Town By – Law Offenses	21	18	26	17

<b>Totals</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>501</b>
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## PROSECUTION

The Prosecution Unit is staffed by two detectives who hold the rank of Inspector, as well as two full time civilian Administrative Assistants.

The Prosecution Unit is tasked with preparing all arrests for prosecution in both the District and Superior Courts. All paperwork that must be submitted to the Attorney General and/or the City Solicitor's Office for prosecution, is prepared and presented by the Prosecution Unit. Prosecution Unit Inspectors handle all arraignments in District Court (for misdemeanors and felonies) and work closely with the assistant attorneys general on felony cases which are reassigned after arraignment to the Superior Court. They also assist in Superior Court violation hearings when requested.

The Administrative assistants prepare all misdemeanor arrest packets for the City Solicitors Office, and felony arrest packages for the Attorney General's Office. The material required for the felony packages is usually quite extensive. The packages contain hospital records, video and audio recordings, or any other evidence that the Assistant Attorney General deems necessary for prosecutorial purposes. These packages must also contain an abbreviated narrative of the entire investigation, and preparation of these packages is extremely time consuming.

Below is a three year comparison of the arrest cases which the Prosecution Unit has processed:

Year	2017	2016	2015
Misdemeanors:	1710	1786	1770
Felony:	379	341	387
Violation and Bail Hearings:	238	381	265
Felony Cases submitted To Screening:	404	307	318
Cases signed up:	302	266	258
“No Information”:	55	68	50
Pending Felony Cases*:	65	217	191
<b>Total Arraignments:</b>	<b>2089</b>	<b>2127</b>	<b>2157</b>

\*Please note that in 2017, Prosecution changed the way felony cases are stored and organized, in order to provide for better efficiency. This is the reason that the number of pending felonies for 2017 is significantly lower.

## BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION (BCI)

The Bureau of Criminal Identification (BCI) is charged with processing all crime scenes and seizing, cataloging and storing all evidence obtained from those scenes. They also process all evidence seized for fingerprints, blood, or DNA evidence, as well as any other evidence which may be present. The BCI Unit works closely with the Rhode Island State

Crime Lab, the Medical Examiner's Office and the FBI Crime Lab at Quantico for support in processing evidence.

In addition to collecting, processing and storing evidence, members of the BCI unit carry out many other duties. Those tasks include, but are not limited to, conducting fingerprint processing for child care workers, teachers, school bus drivers and anyone else deemed by law to require fingerprinting as a condition of employment. They are also responsible for destroying all evidence that cannot be returned to its owner or is no longer needed for prosecutorial purposes, registering sex offenders who are required by law to register with the police department of the city/town in which they reside, attending autopsies for all death investigations, and cataloguing, storing and returning all weapons held by the police department.

The BCI Unit may be considered the most eclectic unit within the police department, due to the various tasks that are carried out on a daily basis.

### ***B.C.I. Productivity Report***

In 2017, a total of eighty one (81) crime scenes were processed and hundreds of pieces of evidence were collected. Included in the eighty one (81) crimes scenes processed were:

- 2 Homicides
- 1 Rape/ Sexual Assault
- 8 Robberies
- 1 Aggravated Assault
- 10 B&E'S
- 1 Larceny
- 2 Recovered Stolen Vehicles
- 1 Fire



- 2 Vandalisms
- 3 Weapons Offenses
- 3 Drug Overdose Deaths
- 1 Fatal Vehicle Crash
- 4 Motor Vehicle Crashes
- 14 Deaths

In addition:

- 257 Drugs were stored in the BCI drug room and 196 of those drugs were destroyed.
- 15 Vehicles were processed. Fingerprints were developed on 4 of those vehicles.
  - Blood evidence was obtained from 2 of those vehicles.
- 90 pieces of evidence were processed for latent prints.
  - Latent prints were developed on 28 of those pieces of evidence.
- 17 Firearms were processed.
- 12 Bullets and casings were sent to the R.I. State Crime lab for NIBIN entry.
  - 0 NIBIN hits were obtained of the 9 submitted.
- \$ 24,157.00 in currency was seized and submitted into the Currency room.
  - \$ 10,798.00 was returned back to the owners.
- \$ 2,290.00 in Counterfeit money was seized and stored in the currency room.

- 19 pieces of DNA evidence was submitted to the R.I. Health Dept. for testing.
- 57 Cell phones were forensically examined.
  - 598 Prosecution requested were handled.
  - 186 cases involving Narcotics were submitted to the R.I. Health Dept. for testing.
- 253 Sex Offenders were registered
  - 8 Autopsy were attended.
  - 894 appointments for civilian fingerprints were made
    - 762 Civilian applicants were fingerprinted.
  - 310 Background checks were conducted.

## SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT (SIU)

The Special Investigations Unit is responsible for investigations involving narcotics, vice, gambling, organized crime, gang activity, and liquor laws. Special Investigations personnel are also responsible for intelligence collection and surveillance. The unit is staffed by a Lieutenant, a Sergeant, five (5) permanent detectives, and two (2) temporary detectives, who are selected by the Chief of Police.

Currently, the SIU Sergeant is serving on a federal task force in conjunction with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). In addition, one unit detective serves on a federal task force in

conjunction with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, specifically the Safe Streets Task Force (SSTF), and a third unit detective is assigned part time to a federal task force in conjunction with Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF).

### ***Special Investigations Unit Statistics for 2017***

- Arrests: 52
- Search Warrants Executed: 29
- The Cranston Police Department SIU submitted 21 State forfeiture packages to the Attorney General's Office in 2017. Included in those forfeitures is \$43,182 in cash and 2 vehicles. A majority of the cases are still pending at the Attorney General's Office.
- Federal Forfeiture money was utilized for the purchase of 2 new unmarked vehicles for the unit. Funds for the purchase of 1 additional vehicle will also be requested.

### ***Federal Forfeiture Statistics***

- \$27,173.09 was shared with CPD through the Federal Forfeiture Equitable Sharing Program in 2017, with several cases still pending sharing decisions.

### ***Special Investigations Unit Task Forces***

#### ***DEA Providence Task Force Activity for 2017***

#### ***DEA Providence Resident Office 2017 year end statistics:***

- Arrests: 141
- Cash and assets seized: \$1,162,180.00
- Title III investigations: 4

- DEA Investigation resulted in 2 Arrests, seizure of approximately 6 Kilograms of suspected Cocaine, 1 Glock 23 Handgun.

### ***FBI Safe Streets Task Force Activity for 2017***

#### **FBI SSTF 2017 Year End Statistics:**

- Trials and convictions in Federal Court of 8 persons arrested in 2016
- Arrests: 33
- Title III (Wiretaps): 6 phones
- Search Warrants: 60 (19 residential; 34 phone; 7 vehicle)
- Controlled gun / Narcotics buys: 73 (video recorded)
- 3 pole cameras
- 8 phone GPS warrants

## **OTHER TASK FORCES**

The Cranston Police Department Detective Division currently participates in multiple state and federal task forces. Several officers who are permanently assigned to the special victims unit, special investigations unit and criminal investigations unit are also members of these task forces.

### ***Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force***

- ✓ The Task Force investigated approximately six hundred ninety-six (696) Incidents, made eighty-nine (89) Arrests and completed three hundred ninety-four (394) Forensic Examinations. The unit is responsible for assisting all local department with any computer related investigations.

- ✓ The ICAC Detective was assigned sixty (65) cases involving the Possession or Distribution of Child Pornography which included proactive peer-to-peer cases and Cybertips which were received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).
- ✓ The ICAC Detective was responsible and involved in ten (10) arrests which stemmed from investigations throughout the State of Rhode Island.
- ✓ The ICAC Detective executed two (2) residential search warrants in the City of Cranston which led to two arrests.
- ✓ The ICAC Detective also assisted Cranston Police Department Personnel with other criminal investigations which involved computers or digital devices. These investigations involved the forensic analysis of devices which were either used or seized during a criminal investigation.
- ✓ The ICAC Detective was involved in numerous investigations throughout the State of Rhode Island including JCTF (Joint Cyber Task Force) investigations.

*\*\*\*The data utilized in this report was accumulated using the IMC software program and provided by the department's statistical analyst. It should be noted that some criminal investigations require only a review, and therefore, may not be fully investigated before being closed, due to a lack of solvability factors. As a result, the number of cases reported, investigated and the number of arrests will vary.*

### ***Rhode Island Violent Fugitive Task Force (VF TF)***

*Arrests in direct assistance to Cranston Police Department:*

*Arrest assists:* 180

*Search Warrants:* 7

## CONCLUSION

The men and women who belong to the various units of the Cranston Police Department Detective Division continue to provide incomparable service to the residents, business owners and guests of the city of Cranston. Their unwavering dedication to duty and concern for public safety and security is unmatched by any surrounding police agency, and is exhibited daily in their work product.

Daily, the detectives concentrate on investigations ranging from simple shopliftings and other non-violent crimes, to homicides, aggravated assaults and domestic crime, and each detective handles every case with a personal dedication to duty and to the victim(s) of these crimes that is nothing less than extraordinary.

As technology advances and new equipment and techniques are utilized, the detectives are able to supplement the basic fundamentals of investigations to provide enhanced and more expedient results during the investigations which they are assigned.

The display of teamwork in large, and/or high profile cases, such as the two homicides that the detectives investigated in 2017, is astonishing. Each and every member of the Detective Division's units, at some point during these investigations, provide expertise that is invaluable to solving these horrific crimes. Each detective's individual talents are of inestimable worth, especially during cases such as these and the division commander knows that it is imperative to utilize the differing strengths of each detective to the



highest level in order to more effectively coordinate services and investigative techniques to the fullest.

In contemplation of 2018, it is the division's goal to continue to provide the unparalleled services to our local community, which has become a hallmark of this police department. With the addition of new members to the division, and the implementation of new technology, it is our aspiration to continue to enhance the excellent service that we provide to the public every day.

*CRANSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT*  
*INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DIVISION*

**2017**

**YEAR END REPORT**



**Captain Carl R. Ricci, Jr**

*INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DIVISION*

*Captain Carl R. Ricci, Jr.*

*TRAINING UNIT*

*TERMINAL AGENCY COORDINATOR (TAC)*

*CHIEF RECORDS CLERK*

*NATIONAL INCIDENT-BASED REPORTING SYSTEM (NIBRS)*

*RECORDS UNIT*

*FINANCE CLERK*

*ASSISTANT RADIO OFFICER*

*POLICE DETAILS ADMINISTRATION CLERK*

*SWITCHBOARD OPERATOR*

Captain Carl Ricci is the Commanding Officer of the Department's Inspectional Services Division. The Inspectional Services Division (ISD) comprises the Inspectional Services/Accreditation Unit, Training Unit, Report Review/Communications Sergeant, Communications Unit (Dispatch), Records, National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS)/Transcription Unit, Finance Clerk, Assistant Radio Officer, Detail Clerk, and Switchboard Operator.

### **INSPECTIONAL SERVICES / ACCREDITATION UNIT**

The Inspectional Services Division is responsible for the managing the state and national accreditation programs and maintaining it's good standing; the operations of the police department's facility; maintaining the department's policy database and processing concealed carried weapons (CCW) permits (59 in CY2017). The inspectional process is an essential mechanism for evaluating the quality of the agency's operations; ensuring that the agency's goals and objectives are being pursued; identifying the need for additional resources and efficiency; and ensuring that control is maintained throughout the agency. Inspections include the evaluation of facilities, vehicles, equipment, records, personnel, procedures, and the overall effectiveness and efficiency of the organization.

The Inspectional Services Division Commander is primarily tasked with processing Injured on Duty (IOD) claims, administrative oversight and approval of purchase order (PO) requests, policy revisions (22 in CY2017), mangement of the accreditation process, as well as the activities of the personnel assigned to the various units under his command.

The Accreditation Unit is tasked with managing the state and national accreditation programs, the department's policy database, the headquarters facility, and processing concealed carried weapons (CCW) permits.

The accreditation process is best described as "...the bestowing of credentials symbolizing approval from a professional organization upon practitioners or specific institutions. It is a progressive and time proven way of helping organizations evaluate and improve their overall performance."

The Cranston Police Department made the commitment to seek both national accreditation under the Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) Inc., and statewide accreditation under the Rhode Island Police Accreditation Commission (RIPAC).

The department successfully achieved it's initial CALEA Advanced Accreditation Award on March 24, 2012, was recertified by CALEA on March 24, 2015. A team of Assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) arrived at the Cranston Police Department on November 5, 2017 to examine all aspects of the agency's policies and procedures, management, operations and support services. This team conducted a "Law Enforcement Advanced Accreditation" assessment as the final step in the Cranston Police Department's re-accreditation process. The agency is confident that it's third Accreditation Award will be bestowed by CALEA at it's conference in Frisco, Texas in March of 2018..

The Cranston Police Department successfully passed the statewide accreditation assessment with RIPAC on November 19, 2013 and was awarded our RIPAC recertification in February of 2017.

In early 2017 the Inspectional Services Division coordinated with the City's Building Maintenance Division and Paolino Properties to repair a long standing defect in the cell block floor that prevented the use of a holding cell.

## **RECORDS UNIT / TERMINAL AGENCY COORDINATOR (TAC)**

The Records Unit is currently staffed by two full-time and one part-time civilian personnel. This unit is primarily responsible for maintaining the majority of the police department's records, as well as providing reports and other requested documents to the public in accordance with the Access to Public Records Act (APRA). The Records Unit is also responsible for processing firearms purchase applications, court subpoenas, collecting games of chance applications/fees, NCIC validations, and Sexual Offender Records.

The Chief Records Clerk/TAC is the keeper of the records and is responsible for ensuring the timely compliance of NCIC and state policies and regulations by providing confidential clerical functions to the validation of all NCIC and RILETS records. The Chief Records Clerk is responsible for ensuring for the accountability, effectiveness and efficiency of civilian personnel assigned to the Records Unit. The Chief Records Clerk reports directly to the Commander of the Inspectional Services Division.

The Chief Records Clerk/TAC maintained 241 sexual offender records in the NCIC and RI Sexual Offender Registry during CY2017. This work includes creation of new records for newly classified offenders, modifications to existing records, modification of the IMC master names records, maintaining the sexual offender registrations in IMC, importing images into NCIC, supplementing the applicable report, and notifying outside agencies. He also processed 554 NCIC "validations" during CY 2017.



**2017 SUMMARY OF RECORDS UNIT ACTIVITY**

<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>TOTAL #</b>	<b>RECEIPTS</b>
<i>Walk-in requests</i>	<i>1850</i>	<i>\$2,086.85</i>
<i>Mail Requests</i>	<i>242</i>	<i>\$18,483.25</i>
<i>Fax Requests</i>	<i>610</i>	
Concealed Carry Permit Applications	59	\$2,240.00
Court Subpoenas		\$369.00
Games of Chance		\$440.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,619.10</b>

2017 Firearm Purchase Applications

Processed	722
Approved	697
Denied	25

**NIBRS COMPLIANCE/TRANSCRIPTION UNIT**

The National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) Unit is currently staffed by two full time employees and one part-time clerk. The part-time Clerk is primarily responsible for transcription. These employees are overseen by the Chief Records Clerk, and report directly to the Inspectional Services Captain.

The Data Entry Transcriptionists / NIBRS Unit primary responsibility is transcribing reports into the department's computer system via the dictating system or any other recording medias, reviewing the reports to assure their compliance with national, state and local Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR), National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS), and compiling applicable

statistics as required by state and federal laws. This unit also works with the Network manager to resolve Information Management Corporation (I.M.C.) issues as they relate to police reporting methods

**2017 Total Number of Crimes As Reported through the NIBRS**

<b>2017</b>	<b>JAN</b>	<b>FEB</b>	<b>MARCH</b>	<b>APRIL</b>	<b>MAY</b>	<b>JUNE</b>	<b>JULY</b>	<b>AUG</b>	<b>SEPT</b>	<b>OCT</b>	<b>NOV</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>TOTALS 2017</b>	<b>TOTALS 2016</b>	<b>CHANGE</b>
<b>GROUP A</b>															
Arson	0	0	1	0	1	1	5	1	1	0	0	0	10	8	20% INCREASE
Aggravated Assault	8	3	2	4	6	8	6	8	7	1	3	2	58	70	17% DECREASE
Simple Assault	36	42	33	22	31	30	47	24	32	26	30	27	380	403	6% DECREASE
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		NO CHANGE
B&E	11	17	10	9	18	19	25	24	14	27	19	27	220	258	15% DECREASE
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Counterfeiting/Forgery	7	8	11	4	5	6	5	7	5	7	5	3	73	67	INCREASE
Damage/Vandalism	25	29	23	39	29	38	48	36	26	35	25	25	378	423	11% DECREASE
Drug Violations	13	15	25	12	12	17	17	11	14	20	26	14	196	168	14% Increase
Embezzlement	3	2	4	3	1	4	4	3	1	6	3	3	37	28	24% INCREASE
Extortion/Blackmail	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	4	0	400% DECREASE
Fraud Offenses	23	39	30	32	28	23	34	23	19	18	37	24	330	299	9% INCREASE
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	NO CHANGE
Homicide	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	50% INCREASE
Human Trafficking	0	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	4	1	75% INCREASE
Kidnapping	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	4	3	25% INCREASE
Larceny/Theft	78	62	58	70	94	84	102	67	90	76	101	71	953	1161	18% DECREASE
Vehicle Theft	9	2	4	7	14	10	11	7	4	6	7	2	83	135	39% DECREASE
Pornography	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	8	5	37% INCREASE
Prostitution	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	3	33% DECREASE
Robbery	1	0	1	1	3	3	2	1	3	2	3	2	22	21	5% DECREASE
Sex Offenses -FORCE	0	0	5	3	8	7	1	7	2	2	6	2	43	50	14% DECREASE
Sex Offenses-Non Force	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	1	67% INCREASE
Stolen Property	4	6	7	6	9	6	5	9	4	6	6	4	72	67	7% INCREASE
Weapons Violations	6	3	3	1	3	4	2	1	2	5	7	3	40	57	30% DECREASE

## **ASSISTANT RADIO OFFICER**

The Radio Officer is full-time civilian employee who is under the direct supervision of the Police Department. He is responsible for the servicing and maintenance of all radio communications systems in the municipality, including those of the fire and police departments, public works, and public buildings. The Radio Officer also assists the Information Technology Lieutenant with the installation and maintenance of emergency lighting systems, Mobile Data Terminals (MDT's) and related safety equipment. The Radio Officer researched alternatives to the Motorola radios employed by the agency, and assisted the Executive Command staff in selecting new technology as the old technology had been discontinued and will not be supported past CY2019. The new radios and accessories were distributed to all but a very few personnel prior to the end of the calendar year.

## **FINANCE CLERK**

The Finance Clerk is a full-time city employee who is under the direct supervision of the Police Department. She is responsible for receiving, processing and paying all invoices that are incurred by the Cranston Police Department. She is also responsible for processing purchase orders, providing up to date data to the Police Administration concerning the balance of each line item of the budget throughout the year, and assisting members in all expenditures of the Police Dept. She works closely with the Finance Department at Cranston City Hall to ensure that payment for goods and services provided to the Police Department are finalized through the Finance Department at Cranston City Hall. The Finance Clerk reports directly to the Inspectional Services Captain and has a close working relationship with the Majors and Chief, concerning the budget and departmental expenditures.

## **POLICE DETAILS ADMINISTRATIONS CLERK**

The Police Details Administrations Clerk is a full-time city employee who is under the direct supervision of the Police Department. The primary responsibility for this position is to oversee the assignment of private and city paid details, to administrate the billing for police detail services rendered, and to work closely with vendors in the collections process.

The Details Administrations clerk was responsible for the processing of \$1,199,101.25 in revenue and working with approximately one hundred and fifty (150) vendors during CY 2017.

The Police Department continues to rely upon the POLICE Detail Tracking System adopted in November of 2015. This secure, mobile friendly, Cloud-based software system streamlined the detail assignment/management process and resulted in a more efficient and transparent procedure.

### **2017 SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY FOR THE POLICE DETAILS ADMINISTRATIONS CLERK**

Total Hours Billed	30,368.00
Total Salary Billed	\$1,486,550.25
Total Administrative Fees Billed	\$138,715.49
Total Other Fees Billed	\$21,178.70
Total Equipment Fees Billed	\$360,150.00
<b>Total Billed</b>	<b>\$2,016,594.44</b>

The switchboard operator position was expanded from a part-time to a full time position during CY 2016. It is currently staffed Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30am to 4:30pm. The switchboard operator's responsibilities include the efficient and proper operation of the switchboard, proper routing of calls, mail, and packages, greeting visitors to headquarters, and accepting games

of chance applications. The switchboard operator also assists Records personnel in the retrieval of reports and the IMC name merge project.

The switchboard operator processed a total of 28,276 calls to the police department in CY2017. Of those calls 20,986 were routine while 6,646 were transferred to the Communications Center for additional attention.

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## TRAINING DIVISION YEAR END REPORT 2017

Prepared and Submitted By: Lieutenant Mark Freeborn

### **Departmental In-service Trainings**

The department's in-service training calendar for 2017 included recertifications in Breathalyzer, CPR/AED, Taser, and Patrol Rifle. We conducted annual trainings in mental health awareness, defensive tactics (LOCKUP), less-lethal (OC, ASP, and handcuffing), use of force reporting, legal updates, policy review, and patrol bicycle. As part of the continuing initiative to provide officers with the most up-to-date training, we introduced a Tac-Medic training program that provided officers with instruction and practical exercises on how to apply a tourniquet and medical aid to someone that has a life-threatening wound. Although some of these programs are not CALEA required, it demonstrates the diversity of the training curriculum provided to our officers to ensure that they have the most up-to-date law enforcement training.

Officers also attended annual department firearms qualifications. This year's focus was on officers shooting while moving, and responding to threats while inside a vehicle. The training was in response to the many officer ambushes that have taken place throughout the country while officers are in, or are exiting, their police vehicles. The drills were developed to have an officer react to being attacked while seat belted in a vehicle. The officers would then respond to the

threat and move to cover and fire on a target. We were able to secure junked vehicles for these drills, to ensure that no city property would be damaged. Officers were provided classroom Instruction prior to all range drills and qualification courses. All firearm drills stressed the importance of target identification, isolation, and the importance of maintaining a good sight picture while shooting. All officers must obtain a passing score for both day and night qualification courses. Any officers not able to obtain a passing score were required to complete remedial training to obtain a passing qualification score. We also conducted qualifications to any department member that has a personally owned pistol.



### **Simulation Training**



In August, the department completed its purchase of the *Meggitt 100LE Law Enforcement Firearms Training Simulator (FATS)*. This initiative was more than a year in the making and was completed with the assistance of a \$30,000 grant from Speaker Nicholas Mattiello. The 100LE is the most up-to-date firearms training simulator distributed and the unit we purchased was only the fifth unit released in the United States. This training simulator has provided us the opportunity to put officers through hundreds of decision-based scenarios that require the officer to react as “shoot or don’t shoot” as well as provide additional less-lethal options such as OC and Taser. The FATS system allows us to create dynamic shooting courses that focus on an officer’s fundamentals, form and pistol transitioning. Training Division personnel were provided three days of instruction on the set-up and operation which provided us with the knowledge and understanding of how to design courses and training curriculums that will reflect departmental and societal needs.

Beginning in September, officers were introduced to the new FATS system and put through a series of scenarios and drills. The response to the new training curriculum was well received. As we move into 2018, we will continue to provide officers with additional FATS training, with the goal to incorporate multiple officer scenarios.



### **PowerDMS Trainings**

The DMS training module was utilized to distribute several training documents as and information beneficial to an officer's job performance. Some of the documents and information released via DMS were, Sharing Criminal Intelligence, Haz-Mat/Meth-Lab Response, Incident Command/All Hazards Plan, Law Enforcement/Legal Updates, Fentanyl Response Guide and Gang Intelligence Updates. The DMS system has enabled us to provide up-to-date training and information without the burden of having officers attend the classroom instruction. As we enter 2018, we look to continue releasing information through this platform. *This was a completed objective from 2017.*

### **Professional Development Trainings**

In 2017, the Training Division sent officers to **ninety-nine** training schools, classes, conferences, and seminars. This provided officers with **three-hundred and nineteen** training opportunities which is an increase of 20% from the previous year and the ninety-nine trainings was a 23% increase from 2017. The Training Division sent patrol officers and detectives to trainings in the areas of Autism, Community Policing, Cultural Competency, Domestic Extremism, Gang Recognition, Hate Crimes, Human/Sex Trafficking, and Officer-down Survival Tactics. The trainings also included several specialized areas such as DRE, Crisis Negotiations, Cyber-crimes, Field Training Officers, Interview and Interrogations, Homicide Investigations, Shooting-incident reconstruction, Sniper Training, and Vehicle Crash Reconstruction. This has enabled the Cranston Police Department to serve the residents of the City more effectively by continually providing officers with current and specialized training opportunities.

An objective which was a priority in 2017, was to send officers to more instructor level trainings. Throughout the year, we sent officers to patrol bicycle, defensive tactics (LOCKUP), active shooter, ballistic shield, building searches, EVOC, motorcycle and Taser instructor trainings. This will allow the department more flexibility in scheduling trainings as well as provide officers with additional training opportunities within the law-enforcement community.

### **Patrol Rifle Training Program**

An objective from 2016 was to complete the AR-15 patrol rifle certification program and establish a semi-annual requalification program. The four-day certification program provides officers with the knowledge and understanding on how to properly deploy the rifle. The training program resumed in the spring of 2017 and was completed in July. The requalification program was established and is now part of the yearly, forty-hour training curriculum with officers requalifying twice per year.

### **Patrol Bicycle Trainings**

With the establishment of a patrol bicycle training program in 2016, we continued with the officer certifications in June of 2017. The goal was to continue this program and to have all patrol officers trained to ride. We completed all officer trainings in August and this program is now included for all newly appointed officers as part of their initial training upon graduation from the Municipal Police Academy. *This was a completed objective from 2017.*

## Equipment

The Training Division staff continually evaluates and reviews the department equipment as well as assessing the feasibility of providing new equipment. As the patrol rifle program developed in 2017, we continued to research rifle vest options to protect the officers from higher caliber weapons when faced with an active shooter/high threat incident. We were provided demonstrations and research several options, and determined that a steel rifle vest would be the best long-term, durable, cost effective option for the department. We then began to outfit the patrol vehicles with the rifle vests and by years end was able to outfit every front-line patrol vehicle with a steel rifle vest. *This was a completed objective from 2017.* We also outfitted the patrol front-line vehicles with Tac-Medic bags that are equipped with items needed in a life-threatening officer-down situation. The equipment demonstrates the continuing effort to equip and prepare officers for high threat/active shooter incidents. We will continue to research additional equipment options that increase officer safety when faced with an active shooter/high threat incident and the objective for 2018 will be to research and outfit the patrol vehicles with ballistic shields.



### **Recruitment Initiative**

The Police Officer Recruitment was conducted from May 19 through June 30<sup>th</sup>. The objective of the recruitment campaign was to attract quality applicants representative of the City's demographics with the goal of increasing their representation within the department. The message was posted on the department's Facebook and Twitter accounts. A radio campaign was utilized outlining the recruiting effort and was aired on four separate radio stations for a total of ten days. We believed that a condensed, more targeted approach would be beneficial to the recruitment initiative. The radio campaign also aired in Spanish on Latino radio during the same ten-day period.

For the first time, the department utilized a mobile app ([www.policeapp.com](http://www.policeapp.com)) for registration and application submission. The online registration provided the department with interested applicants from all over the United States. The app also provided the department with demographical and geographical data which will be analyzed for future recruitment campaigns.

*This was a completed objective from 2017.*

The recruitment campaign was posted on several websites including local colleges and universities. It was also posted on college websites throughout the New England area. The recruitment announcement was shared with the RI Office of Diversity and ran in the Providence Sunday Journal each week from June 11 thru 25. The recruitment campaign was posted on the National Association of Black Law Enforcement Officer's and Progressive Latino websites as well as the recruiting website, *Indeed* which provided applicants as far away as New York and New Jersey.

The department hosted two recruitment drives held at the Training Complex. These recruitment drives provided potential applicants with an overview of the department's structure and composition. It also allowed potential applicants to speak one-on-one with officers in an informal atmosphere to break down the perceived barriers that some community leaders have indicated exist within law enforcement. Although the overall turnout was below expectation, the demographic composition of the applicants was encouraging. Everyone that attended the recruitment drive submitted an application.



The department's recruitment team comprised of Caucasian, African American, Asian, and Portuguese officers as well as several female officers. The recruitment team was voluntary and the officers assisted in the campaign enthusiastically with the objective of demonstrating how law enforcement in the City of Cranston can be a rewarding career for all.



The five week recruitment campaign ended on June 30<sup>th</sup> with two-hundred and seventy-nine (279) applications being submitted. The first phase of the hiring process was the applicant agility test which was conducted on July 15<sup>th</sup> at Cranston West High School. During the recruitment campaign we received 279 applications. One-hundred and sixty-three (163) via Policeapp.com and one hundred and sixteen through paper submission at City Hall. On the day of the test, one-hundred and seventy- four (174) applicants arrived to take the test. Of the 174 applicants that took the test, 148 passed and 26 failed.





## Hiring Process

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The next phase of the hiring process was the written test which was conducted on July 18th at Cranston West High School. Of the 148 applicants that passed the agility test, 142 arrived to take the exam. Of the 142 that took the written exam, 129 passed and 13 failed. That is a passing rate of 90%. This is up from the 2015 process which had a passing rate of 76.7%.



The final phase of the hiring process was the applicant oral boards which were conducted from August 28 through September 1, 2017 at the Cranston Police Training Complex. The boards were comprised of four department members at the ranks of Captain, Lieutenant, Sergeant and Inspector. Of the 129 applicants that passed the written exam, 110 arrived to take the oral board. Twelve applicants withdrew and six were disqualified based on their background investigation and one applicant was found to be ineligible. Of the 110 that took the oral board, 61 passed and 49 failed.



The hiring process concluded with the establishment of an eligibility list of sixty-one applicants. This list will be used to fill current and future vacancies until September of 2019.

### **Applicant Investigations**

Once the hiring eligibility list was established, the Training Division Staff began working on applicant background investigations. The Staff completed nine comprehensive background investigations over the course of the next two months to fill the five current vacancies. The selection process resulted in the hiring of five new officers with one being a transfer from another Rhode Island police agency. The remaining four applicants will attend the Rhode Island Municipal Police Training Academy which is scheduled to graduate in May 2018. This hiring process allowed the department to maintain our staffing levels at full capacity of one-hundred and fifty-three.

### **Compliance Programs**

The Training Division staff continued conducting alcohol and tobacco compliance/enforcement checks throughout the calendar year. Both programs are to ensure that businesses that sell alcohol and tobacco products are in compliance by requesting identification prior to the point of sale and have the necessary licensing to conduct such sales. Throughout the year, every business that sells alcohol and/or tobacco will have been checked. The Training Division staff is assisted in this effort by students from Cranston East and Cranston West High schools. The students are provided training prior to conducting the compliance checks and are instructed on how to handle the situation if the product(s) are sold to them. All students involved with these programs have parental permission prior to conducting the checks. The Training Division also worked diligently with the Rhode Island Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control to combat the point of sale purchases of non-cigarette tobacco purchases such as E-cigs and flavored tobacco products.

### **Community Programs & Events**

The Cranston Police Citizens Police Academy (CPA) continues to be one of the more popular community programs conducted by the Training Division. This year there were more than twenty-eight registrants for the ten week course. The course provided attendees with the insight of what it is like to be a police officer in the City of Cranston. Attendees are provided instruction in the areas of patrol tactics, interview and interrogations, crisis negotiations, firearms, vehicle stops and K9. Later in the course, attendees are put through a series of scenarios to simulate some of the situations faced by law enforcement. The scenarios are structured so they get an understanding how an officer's training and communication skills assist them in handling volatile situations. The CPA concludes with a graduation ceremony where attendees are provided a certificate and DVD of their scenarios. Many of the graduating class remark that they have gained appreciation towards police and the difficult jobs that are done every day.



In April, the Training Division conducted a Firearms Safety Program for Spouses. The course provided spouses with instruction on pistol and firearms safety which was followed by an opportunity to fire the Glock pistol. The training classes received positive feedback and there are plans to continue the program in 2018. *This was a completed objective from 2017.*

In October, the Training Division in conjunction with Special Educator, Ms. Carmen Ruggieri, established an Autism Spectrum Disorder registry. The goal of this program is to improve the safety of children if, or when, they have an interaction with a police officer. The program will identify home addresses and any pertinent information regarding a child. Addresses and information will be shared with the police department in an effort to provide dispatchers and officers with information prior to an officer's arrival to a home. In the case of an emergency, this would help the officers minimize the possibility of creating distress for the children and create a more positive interaction. At the time of this report there have been eight people registered through this program.

### **School Education Programs**

The SADD (formerly DARE) program was instructed by Officer Glenn Cipalone, with the assistance of SADD students from Cranston West, on the dangers associated with drug and alcohol abuse and how to make good choices in life. The goal of this program is to show the fifth grade students that making good decisions will lead to better opportunities in the future. The high school students are provided a chance to instruct one of the classes to illustrate their achievements and to show how their good decisions have given them better opportunities. During the course of the school year, Officer Cipalone conducted the SADD program in every fifth grade class in the City.

### **Explorer Program**

The Police Explorer Program continued throughout the year. The program provides high school students an opportunity to educate themselves in police operations and to cultivate their interest in a career in law enforcement. The program requires students to be role models for others as well as

good students in their respective classrooms. This year, the Explorers participated in various parades, competitions, community events as well as the distribution of holiday meals. The Explorers have witnessed first-hand what community service means and have represented the Police Department well. Four of the first year Explorers were able to attend the week-long Explorer Academy during August at Camp Varnum. The academy put the Explorers through various drills and exercises much like a real police academy. The four explorers graduated the academy and now hold the distinction of Explorer 1<sup>st</sup> Class. The 2017-2018 Explorer Program looks to continue this progress and hopes to send additional explorers to the Explorer Academy.



### **Complex Improvement & Expansion**

A major goal for 2017 was to complete the improvement and expansion project that began in 2016. This meant the completion the exterior repairs and the renovation of the interior with new carpet and paint. Although this project was large in scope, and took several months to complete, it was finalized in the spring. The new classrooms have tripled the available training space at a fraction of the cost of a new constructed building. It has provided us with a multi- purpose training areas as well as a dedicated classroom for the FATS simulation training. *This was a completed objective from 2017.* The Cranston Police Training Complex is the largest,



multipurpose police training facility is the State and we pride ourselves on the versatility the complex provides to the Municipal Police Academy and other police agencies throughout the state.



As we enter 2018, the improvements will continue with the installation of new water and sewer lines, enlarging the existing parking areas and installing sound absorbing materials on the main range. The goal is to balance the needs of police training while continuing to be conscientious to the surrounding neighborhoods and schools.

### **Hosting**

In January, the Training Division hosted a Police Training Officers meeting. The meeting was well attended with fourteen police agencies participating. The objective of the meeting was for police training officers to review and discuss their training challenges and look into the possibility of combining resources as they pertain to specialized trainings. The goal is to maximize the training opportunities for all departments while working within limited budgets.

There was a second meeting held in May which concluded with the anticipation of meeting at least twice per year to evaluate departments training programs.

In February, we hosted a Specialized Trauma and Rescue Tactics Training (START). The four hour class provided instruction on life-saving methods during officer down situations. Each attendee was provided with a self-aid buddy kit which contained a tourniquet and quik-clot hemostatic agent.

In March, the complex was the host site for a one-day patrol rifle armorer's certification training course provided by Ruger. The class provided officers with the skills and knowledge to properly diagnose, disassemble and repair the Ruger rifles.

In May, the Training Division hosted the FBI Pistol Instructor course. This five day training course is always in high demand and fills to capacity very quickly. Twenty officers from fifteen Rhode Island police departments completed the instructor training and are now certified as pistol instructors for their respective departments.

In October, the Training Complex hosted the Physical Fitness Assessment Battery Certification training which was provided by the R.I. Municipal Police Academy. This three-day course provided attendees with the new procedures to properly administer the physical fitness test during an agencies hiring process. Also in October, the complex was the host site for Day- One to conduct their two-day training for newly appointed counselors.

### **Firearms Training Programs**

Throughout the year, the Training Facility hosted or assisted the following agencies to conduct their firearms training programs:

- Federal Bureau of Investigation (F.B.I)
- Drug Enforcement Administration (D.E.A)
- Immigration and Customs Enforcement (I.C.E)
- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (A.T.F)
- U.S. Treasury Department
- Pawtucket Police Department
- East Providence Police Department
- Coventry Police Department
- T.F. Greene Airport Police Department
- Smithfield Police Department
- University of Rhode Island
- Brown University

These partnerships have provided the Cranston Police department with the opportunity to continue to improve the training complex to better serve our officers and the residents of the City.

# 2017 Year End Report

## **Captain Vincent M. McAteer, III** Division Commander – Office of Community Outreach

### **Introduction**

The Cranston Police Department *Office of Community Outreach* is a division within the police department, created in November 2014. The Office currently works under the purview of the Chief of Administrative Services, Major Todd Patalano. The OCO's goal is the successful promotion and implementation of the Department's Community Policing and Crime Prevention efforts.

The Office of Community Outreach is primarily responsible for the strategic planning and establishment of intervention strategies and education programs to prevent crime throughout the city; as well as the development of partnerships with individuals who live, work or otherwise have an interest in the community and which serves to proactively address issues such as crime and quality of life. Additionally, the OCO is responsible for the direct oversight of the Department's School Resource Officer Unit as well as the Police Explorer program; both of whose missions directly relate to the Department's overall philosophy of community oriented policing.

### **Personnel**

The Office of Community Outreach is currently under the command of Captain Vincent McAteer, a twenty-two veteran of the Cranston Police Department and a 2011 graduate of the Police Executive Research Forum *Senior Management Institute for Police* – Session 48. Captain McAteer has been assigned to the OCO since its inception in November 2014.

In the fall of 2015, command of the School Resource Unit was turned over to the OCO as the mission of the unit is commensurate with that of Community Outreach. The SRO Unit is staffed by four veteran members of the Cranston Police Department:

### **The Office of Community Outreach in 2017**

The mission of the Cranston Police Department is to establish and maintain a proactive partnership with our residents and business owners and genuinely work together to solve problems facing our community. This mission can only be achieved by fostering collaborative relationships between our agency and the individuals, groups and organizations in our community that serve to develop the initiatives and solutions to the problems facing our society while increasing a public trust in the police. *Our mission supports a comprehensive and multifaceted community policing strategy of engaging our community whenever and wherever possible.*

In November of 2014, the Cranston Police Department took the step to create a new office known as the *Office of Community Outreach*. The purpose of this office is straightforward: the Office of Community Outreach is responsible for the strategic planning and establishment of intervention strategies and education programs to prevent crime throughout the City of Cranston; as well as the development of partnerships with individuals who live, work or otherwise have an interest in the community. Additionally, the office serves to proactively address issues such as crime and quality of life as well as foster connections within the community and to the police department.

### **Public Safety Concerns**

The Cranston Police Department Office of Community Outreach continues to receive public safety concerns from numerous outlets (community meetings, special events, social media, phone, email,

etc...). These concerns are generally conveyed to the Division responsible for same enhancing the ability of the Department to respond quickly. The most effective way for this office to learn of the direct concerns continues to be through face to face meetings. Small or large, these meetings give us the opportunity to meet with residents to discuss a variety of issues including, but not limited to, crime trends in the area, the different legislative changes or updates that may impact the community, and to strategize to proactively develop initiatives with our residents to improve their overall quality of life. The complaints from our citizenry continue to revolve around quality of life issues; specifically traffic and basic police visibility issues.

### **Community Meetings**

OCO continued to maintain contact with the two major crime watch groups in our city: the Friendly Community Neighborhood Watch and the Glen Hills Crime Watch. The Friendly Community has not had a meeting since 2016 although the group maintains a great deal of activity on their Facebook page, which was set up with the assistance of this office. The Glen Hills Crime Watch had a general meeting to discuss the sex offender population at Harrington Hall. While it has been made clear to their leadership what the police department's role is, they insist that we have been the only people that are reactive to their claims. SGT Sweeney has stated that she would be willing to assist with addressing the concerns of this group.

The OCO will also continue to utilize the "Coffee with a Cop" meeting strategy as this has been an incredibly useful way to market the Department's availability and listening potential. These will continue into the foreseeable future.

### **MyPD**

The MyPD platform continues to be used on a regular basis by our residents. They routinely send tips and advisories which are forwarded to the appropriate DIVCOM through regular

communication channels. OCO also uses it for community special event and traffic notifications. Due to the low price of the platform, this office would recommend continued application.

### **TipSoft**

TipSoft program is another “tip generator” that the department uses. This office does not receive tips through this software but continually promotes its use on our social media platforms. Anecdotally this has been used to track several wanted persons resulting in arrests. While TipSoft is more desk-top based than our app, and with less ability to track in real time, it still provides a useful (and free) purpose and should be continued.

### **Sub-Stations**

As of this writing, the access loopholes need to be fully closed by our IT staff. When that is complete, the Edgewood and Knightsville sub-stations should be opened and officers should be encouraged to use the space.

### **Social Media**

Without question, social media has been a departmental community outreach strength. OCO will continue to utilize Facebook, Twitter, and Youtube to promote departmental activities and accomplishments.

### **Vacation Notification Program**

This popular program will continue to be promoted and continue to be utilized due to its effectiveness in targeting temporarily vacant houses for checks. This is routinely posted to our Facebook page and mentioned at community gatherings.



### **E-Commerce Exchange**

This is another popular program that will continue to be promoted. Thus far many residents have anecdotally expressed satisfaction in keeping online exchanges of goods safe by offering the lobby and parking lot as a place to conduct their exchanges.

### **Community Survey**

In partnership with ISD, the OCO conducted a triennial community survey that ran through the late spring of 2017 and into the summer. This survey was launched in an online platform (Survey Planet) and funded through normal budgetary procedures. The information was compiled in an official report and delivered to the Command Staff. The report was later furnished to the full membership of the Cranston Police Department along with the CALEA examiners during our November 2017 on-site assessment.

### **Cranston Police Explorer Program**

The Cranston Police Explorer Program began in September of 2016 with the recruitment of 20 young adults ages 14 to 20, from the central Rhode Island area, who are currently learning about the challenging and rewarding field of law enforcement. The Explorer program has been running concurrent with the academic school year on weekday evenings, and is working to bridge the gap between our younger citizens and law enforcement. Our explorers are receiving instruction on such diverse topics as the history of law enforcement, traffic investigations, crime scene investigations, “drill and ceremony” (marching), and physical fitness; as well as many other topics that are important to gaining knowledge about a career in the field of law enforcement. The long term goal of the program is to promote civic stewardship in the participants as well as the encouragement of a

career in the field of law enforcement. The Explorer classes and training generally take place at the Department's training facility, as well as the main headquarters and other locations throughout the city. In 2017, our Explorer post was fortunate to send four members to the Explorer Academy held at Camp Varnum where they were instructed on law enforcement topics in a real police academy environment.

Law Enforcement Explorer Posts are sponsored by local, state and federal law enforcement agencies throughout the country. Law Enforcement Exploring is endorsed by numerous professional organizations, including the International Chiefs of Police Association (IACP) and the National Sheriffs Association (NSA). Law Enforcement Exploring is a well-established and highly respected program that has served as a platform from which countless young adults have launched a successful career with local, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

### **CCAP Partnership**

One of the foremost connections the Cranston Police Department maintains is with the *Comprehensive Community Action Program* (CCAP). Established in 1965, CCAP is a non-profit organization based in Cranston which provides a plethora of social services and programs. The *Comprehensive Community Action Program* was developed to assist the community by providing a diverse spectrum of services including, but not limited to, supplying basic needs such as food, clothing, furniture, housing assistance, as well as providing pharmaceutical assistance for the elderly and heating and weatherization assistance to those in need. In addition to material needs, the *Comprehensive Community Action Program* provides a host of family related services including assistance with domestic violence issues, family planning, extended day care and numerous

adolescent and children's programs that are designed to keep our youth safe. Referrals are routinely made by our police department for residents of Cranston who find themselves in a time of need.

### **Cranston Housing Partnership**

The Cranston Police Department also fostered a growing partnership with the Cranston Housing Authority. The partnership began after the department received many complaints about the quality of life in the high-rise manors, particularly that of the Knightsville Manor. This manor is home to many elderly and disabled residents and had received its share of unwanted visitors, causing many of the residents to live in fear of criminal activity. After meetings with the administration of Cranston Housing – and with the assistance of Uniform Patrol Sergeant Jeffrey Chapman, it was decided that the two departments would undertake the task of video monitoring the manors with the Knightsville Manor being the first. The housing authority provided the funding for this initiative and began installing the cameras with the Cranston Police Department's technological assistance.

### **Charity Basketball – June 2017**

In June, the Department hosted a the third year of the popular charity basketball game between the Cranston Police Department and the Cranston Fire Department to benefit Special Olympics of Rhode Island. The game was initially conceived in 2015 and hosted by the department with the intention of brining the community together at a very public event and raising money for charitable causes. The Police and Fire teams chose the Cranston West Gymnasium as this year's venue and – again – both teams played to a very close score. In the end the Cranston Police Department team came out on top for the third straight year. The most important statistic came after the game when Mr. Dennis DeJesus was given a check for \$1000.00 for Special Olympics.

### **Cranston's Reading Weeks**

The Department's relationship with the Cranston School Department continues to develop in a strong manner as many of our officers continue to volunteer for the schools whenever they are needed. Again, our officers answered the call to be celebrity readers in various schools throughout the city. This effort – which again included members of the Chief's Executive Staff – demonstrated firsthand the positive impact that members of law enforcement have on the youth of the city. Officers from the Cranston Police Department attended reading week activities at the following schools:

- Arlington Elementary School
- Hope Highlands Kindergartern
- Edgewood Highlands Elementary School
- Chester Barrows Elementary School
- Gladstone Elementary School
- Eden Park Elementary School
- Dutemple Elementary School
- Stadium Elementary School

- **Cranston Police Mentoring**

In 2015 the Cranston Police Department initiated a pilot program with the Cranston School Department and the Rhode Island Mentoring Partnership. This program was designed to bring

our police officers into the schools in a way to show how positive interaction with the police can have long standing benefits with the students. As mentors, the officers would be able to establish positive relationships with at-risk students and be a positive role model for – hopefully – years to come. The program began at the Arlington Elementary School and continues through the 2017 spring and fall semesters.

### **Kids, Cops and Classrooms – September 2017**

The Department also participated in the statewide effort known as “Kids, Cops and Classrooms”. The goal of this program is for law enforcement to put the tools needed for students to be successful in the classrooms in their hands. This program cultivates a positive relationship with the students of the State of Rhode Island, and gives the various community advocacy groups the opportunity to come together to affect positive change in the community. The Department was able to donate countless amounts of supplies and backpacks to the children of Cranston and the State of Rhode Island.

### **Cranston Police/Fire 5K – October 22, 2017**

In October 2017, the Cranston Police hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual *Cranston Police & Fire Hot on Your Heels 5K*. Again, our partners at the LT Jim Pagano Foundation and Garden City Center assisted with the planning and execution of this event which saw 200 runners register and \$2000.00 raised for the foundation. The three year total amount of money raised for the Pagano Foundation has now topped \$3500.00.

The Cranston Police Department continues to enjoy a fantastic partnership with the foundation as our missions are continually intertwined. Founded in 2011, foundation funds four pillars of giving for children K-12 in the Cranston community: Academic (STEM programs and scholarships), Sports, Health and Wellness, and Cultural Arts. In the last five years, the Foundation has granted over \$150,000 towards youth programs in each of those areas.

### **Shop with a Cop / Kids, Cops and Christmas**

The final weeks leading up to the Christmas holiday continue to be an excellent time for the Department to engage the community in non-traditional ways. This year was no different as two of our programs were received positively by the public and officers within the department. For the state wide program, “Kids, Cops, and Christmas”, the Cranston Police Department teamed up with the Cranston Family Center / COZ, and other statewide law enforcement agencies to collect new, unwrapped presents (individual gifts valued under \$25) to fulfill the wishes of underprivileged children from the City of Cranston and across the state. The goal of "Kids, Cops and Christmas" is to provide a positive holiday experience for these children and to show them that police officers are their friends and are in their community to help them. For this effort, we asked our officers – and any member of the general public that wished to participate – to bring in an unwrapped gift to the police department. Over three hundred individual gifts were collected ahead of this effort and turned over to the Rhode Island State Police for distribution to various social service agencies. Additionally, the Department donated directly to Family Services of Rhode Island (Providence) and their holiday giving program. Remaining gifts were also distributed during the Department’s “Secret Santa” program where members of the CPD and our own Santa Claus make unannounced visits throughout the city shortly before Christmas.

Our new addition to our Holiday outreach program was the “Shop with a Cop” day at Walmart. This effort paired 19 members of our department with underprivileged kids from the Cranston YMCA. While at Walmart, the children and officers had \$150 to spend in the store on themselves or a family member. The main goal of this effort was to foster communication between the members of the department with those members of our citizenry who have had limited contact with law enforcement or who may not have as happy of a Christmas as they should. This year’s effort was bolstered by large donations by Walmart (\$1000.00) and Cadence Manufacturing (\$1500.00). Both companies plan on participating in 2018 and beyond.

The myriad outreach programs within the department truly represent our commitment to the philosophy of engagement with our citizens. We believe that these programs build and maintain trust and also foster a policy of transparency within the community. Our citizens are very much aware of what our department is doing in the community and we invite them join us as much as possible.

### **School Resource Divisional Activity**

#### **Overview**

The Cranston Police Department’s School Resource Officer Unit is the primary working liaison with the Cranston School Department. The SRO unit works with the school administrations to help ensure a safe environment for students within and around the schools. The unit strives to keep the lines of communication open between our public schools and the police department to identify and address any potential issues before they can impact the learning environment of our schools. Both Departments continue to work together under a signed memorandum of understanding (2016).

### **Duties**

The primary purpose of this position is to serve the students and the schools during the 180-day school year, patrol all schools of the city – with special emphasis on the secondary schools; and serve as a liaison between school administration, faculty, students and the Police Department. Additionally, the SROs gather information and intelligence on youth crime, gangs or any criminal activity in and around the schools of Cranston.

### **Functions**

The function of the School Resource Officer is diverse and all four officers wear many “hats” during their tours of duty:

- Visible, active law enforcement figure on campus dealing with any law related issues.
- Classroom resource for instruction in the following areas: law related education, violence diffusion, safety programs, alcohol and drug prevention, crime prevention and other areas.
- Member of the faculty and administrative team working hand in hand to solve problems in the school community.
- Resource for the students which will enable them to be associated with a law enforcement officer in the student’s environment.
- Resource to teachers, parents, and students for conferences on an individual basis, dealing with individual questions or problems.
- Counseling resource in areas which may affect the educational environment and may be of a law related nature.



## Goals

The ongoing goals of the unit continue to evolve with the relative changes in law enforcement and the educational community. As such, the primary goals work hand in hand with our overall goal of community oriented policing:

- Bridge the gap between police officers and young people and increase positive attitudes toward law enforcement.
- Teach the value of our legal system.
- Promote respect for people and property.
- Reduce juvenile crime by helping students formulate an awareness of rules, authority and justice.
- Take a personal interest in students and their activities.
- Allow students access to the legal system.
- Give students a realistic picture of our laws and legal system so they will have an investment in supporting and improving it.
- Teach students how to avoid becoming a victim through self-awareness and crime prevention.

In addition to the aforementioned duties that the school resource officers are responsible for, the members of the SRO unit work within the community in a myriad of different forums. The forums include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Walk to School / Bike to School Day(s)
- Annual Safety Day in conjunction with the Cranston Substance Abuse Task Force.
- Members of the Substance Abuse Task Force executive board.

- Obtained a HS-1 grant from RIDOT for the purchase of supplies for the annual Cranston Safety Day.
- Certified A.L.I.C.E instructor.
- Participated and assisted in coordination of Wounded Warrior 5k at Roger Williams Park.
- Fundraising to help support Cranston Public Schools Title I Family Center, child opportunity zone (COZ) for school supplies and gifts for underprivileged children during the holiday season.

Furthermore, the SRO's are responsible for attending their respective schools extracurricular activities throughout the school year which include sporting events, fundraisers, open houses, dances and graduations.

After the horrific tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School, the SRO unit has been an integral cog in the development of school safety within the Cranston Public Schools District. They have assisted members of the SRT team in developing recommendations to make each individual school within the district a safer environment for students. Moreover, the administrations from both the CPD and CPS collaborated on a district wide policy to ensure safety within the school district. As a result, the A.L.I.C.E (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate) program was implemented in 2013 and presented to all faculty, staff and student in the Cranston school district. Continuing education of the ALICE program has been conducted every year since its inception.

### School Activity Totals

School	Offense(s)	Arrest(s)
CHSE	24	47
CHSW	47	31
NEL/CPS	8	6
Park View	16	6
Western Hills	21	2
Bain	21	14
Edgewood Highlands	1	0
Sanders Academy	1	0
Rhodes	1	0
Dutemple	1	0
Waterman	5	0
Eden Park	4	0
Garden City	2	0
Stadium	2	0
Arlington	4	0
Gladstone	8	0
Peters	1	0
Woodridge	0	0
Glen Hills	1	0
Oaklawn	1	0
Stone Hill	5	0
Hope Highlands	3	1

<b>Orchard Farms</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Horton</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Chester Barrows</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>107</b>

### **FUTURE CHALLENGES:**

The Office of Community Outreach recognizes that the future challenges we face as an agency will continue to evolve as various societal changes take place (economic, political, etc...). As such, the following represent areas of concern for this office in the coming year(s):

- The nationwide opiate crisis should be considered one of our biggest challenges going forward. In 2016, over 64,000 people died from drug overdoses in America – this is 21 percent more than 2015. The toll for 2017 has not been released yet, but is estimated to be higher than the previous year. Surprisingly, the 2016 figure dwarfs the number of all gun-related homicides and suicides. Opioids, made up well over half of those deaths, and more than 15,000 fatalities resulted from overdoses of prescribed drugs.
- Sex offender issues and prison releases continue to be a challenge, mostly sex offender issues.
- Protests and demonstrations for incidents and verdicts related to law enforcement will likely continue in the coming years. While Cranston has been untouched by this type of civil unrest, the Department should be prepared for same if subjected to an unfortunate incident and corresponding verdict.

- Increased reliance on communication skills: A benefit of increased community meetings in our city has shown that the more we communicate with our citizens, the better our relationship has become. As we move forward, the Department should place a premium on creative development of better communication skills for all levels of our department. This could be accomplished by crafting training that encompasses a variety of topics including: the development of more tolerant in interactions with citizens, comprehension of civil rights issues from multiple perspectives, and increased deconfliction strategies.
- Maintaining a competitive position in regard to employee compensation.
- Seeking to expand staffing levels to meet increased demands for service.
- Serving multi-lingual communities.

# Office of Professional Standards

## 2017 Year End Report

*Capt. Sean Parker*

### *INTRODUCTION*

The purpose of the Office of Professional Standards is to first and foremost protect the integrity of the Cranston Police Department. The integrity of the Cranston Police Department is reflected and represented by the personal discipline of each employee. To a certain degree, the public image of the Department is developed and strengthened by the Professional Standards Office response to allegations of misconduct committed by employees and its response to complaints concerning dissatisfaction with the services, policies, procedures, or practices of the department.

The thorough investigations of any allegations ensure that the integrity of the department is maintained at the highest level. The complaints, received by the Office, are investigated to determine whether they are substantiated or unsubstantiated by evidence and the reported conclusions of fact are communicated to the Colonel.

The objectives of the Professional Standards Office are diverse and numerous:

- Protection of the public trust
- Protection of the department
- Protection of employees
- Retention of corrigible employees

- Removal of unfit personnel
- Identification of training failure
- Identification of policy failure

### **PERSONNEL**

- The Office of Professional Standards is currently under the command of Captain Sean Parker. Captain Parker took command of Professional Standards Office on May 9, 2017, from A/Captain Stephen Brooks.

### **Complaint Totals by year**

- The number of complaints received and investigated by the Office increased from last year as can be seen in the table below. Nineteen of the twenty-six complaints were received from citizens, while the balance was initiated internally.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Complaints for year</b>	<b>Number of complaints received from public</b>
<b>2013</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>2014</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>2015</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>2016</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>2017</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>19</b>

### **PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS INVESTIGATIONS**

The Office of Professional Standards investigated a total of twenty-six (26) complaints between January and December 2017. Twenty of the complaints have been closed and six remain open, pending completion of the investigative process. It is estimated that all investigations for 2017 will be closed by the end of the month February 2018. Please see below a breakdown of the cases and the investigative findings.

Pending	Unfounded	Exonerated	Not Sustained	Sustained	Policy Failure	Total
6	9	5	0	3	1	26

In addition to the investigations the Office of Professional Standards responded to numerous requests for information concerning Giglio/Brady status of officers, incident recordings captured on the Equature system and personnel investigative file requests from Superior Court

### **INVESTIGATIVE SOFTWARE ACQUISITION**

Beginning in late December 2015 the Professional Standards began using the IMC investigative module as the template for the Administrative Investigations. The use of the system has provided standardization and formatting of investigations and provides a central repository for the investigations. Access to the investigations is controlled by ‘rights’ that can be granted. Currently the ‘rights’ are retained only by the Colonel and the Professional Standards commander.

During the spring of 2016 the Office of Professional Standards acquired the new Equature digital voice recording system software from Acorn Recording Solutions, Inc. Plaistow, NH 03865. This system replaces the previous NICE system that was no longer supported by technology. The ability



to digitally record radio transmissions and dispatch incoming/outgoing calls is an important investigative tool integral to most if not all professional standards investigations.