



The monthly report is intended to serve as an overview of the Ashland Police Department's effort to combat crime within the Town of Ashland. The report contains information about the number of criminal offenses during the past month and the activities undertaken by the Police Department to improve the overall quality of life for the community.

The data helps the Police Department develop strategies for providing a safe environment in which to live, work, visit and play.

Chief Douglas A. Goodman, Jr.

Dec. 2017

Part 1 Offenses	Dec. 2017	Dec. 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2016
Homicide			1						0
Rape		1	1	5	-4			0%	5
Robbery	1	1	4	5	-1				5
Aggravated Assault	2	2	23	14	9			0%	14
Arson					0				0
Burglary	1		13	11	2			0%	11
Larceny (below categories)	9	15	141	201	-60	0	0	0%	201
Pick Pocket					0				0
Purse-Snatching					0				0
Shoplifting	6	9	68	96	-28			0%	96
Theft from a Building	2	3	25	42	-17			0%	42
Theft from a Coin Machine					0				0
Theft from a Motor Vehicle			12	27	-15			0%	27
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts			6	7	-1			0%	7
All other Larceny	1	3	30	29	1			0%	29
Auto Theft			6	7	-1			0%	7
Total Part I Offenses	13	19	189	243	-55	0	0	0%	243

Other Offenses of Community Concern	Dec. 2017	Dec. 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2016
Destruction/Vandalism	5	4	59	55	4			0%	55
Drugs/Narcotics	2	7	76	77	-1			0%	77
Weapons Violations	1		8	5	3			0%	5
Drunk in Public	7	6	57	53	4			0%	53
Liquor Law Violations	2	4	7	18	-11			0%	18

Service Demands and Productivity	Dec. 2017	Dec. 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	YTD Diff		Total 2016
Calls for Service	446	481	6,282	6,382	-100		6,382
Self Initiated Activities	775	943	10,650	10,825	-175		10,825
Criminal Arrests	35	44	466	485	-19		485
Traffic Summonses	101	116	1,836	2,111	-275		2,111
DUI Arrests	2	3	40	39	1		39
Accidents	16	12	118	110	8		110

PATROL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Major Anthony Callahan

Patrol Operations is comprised of 16 sworn officers under the leadership of a Major. Officers are assigned to one of four squads, each led by a Sergeant, working 12-hour shifts. Patrol Operations handles all dispatched calls for service, conducts self-initiated enforcement activities and provides high visibility patrols in hopes to prevent and deter criminal activity.

Patrol Activities	Day Squads		Night Squads	
	710	720	730	740
Responses to Calls	215	215	173	229
Criminal Arrests	17	10	6	12
DUI Arrests	0	1	1	0
Park, Walk & Talks	118	98	153	130
Incident Reports	24	18	9	13
Traffic Summonses	28	46	6	25
Field Interviews	4	2	2	30
P2C Contacts	79	7	3	5
Adopt a Senior Visits	0	2	0	0
Lunch Buddies	11	4	0	0
Bank Checks	14	6	0	0
Funeral Escorts	3	3	0	0
Property Checks	152	106	555	695
Open Doors	0	6	1	2
Bike Patrol (in miles)	0	0	0	0

STAR Corridor Update

Officers handled **25** calls for service in this area; completed **61** park, walk and talk activities as well as **33** hours of traffic enforcement and general observation time. Officers had **84** community contacts.

Patrol Highlights

On December 7, officers investigated a domestic assault that occurred in the 1000 block of S. Center Street. After investigating, warrants were obtained and served on the suspect for strangulation and domestic assault.

On December 9, officers were dispatched to a vehicle vs. train crash in the area of S. Center St. and MacMurdo Street. The driver was located, and arrested for DUI.

On December 16, officers responded to a disorderly call in the 100 block of Junction Drive. A subject was arrested for drunk in public and for possession of a concealed weapon by a convicted felon.

On December 21, officers responded to the 200 block of S. Washington Hwy. for a motor vehicle crash. The driver responsible for the crash was arrested for driving under the influence and operating a motor vehicle with an open container of alcohol.

On December 23, officers responded to a local business for a fraud. The officers were able to develop a suspect and subsequently arrested him for numerous other frauds.

On December 23, officers observed a vehicle traveling on route 54 with a wanted subject inside. The vehicle was stopped and the subject was taken into custody for seven outstanding warrants.

SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Captain Troy Aronhalt

Under the command of Special Operations Division, the **Investigative Unit** is comprised of three investigators led by Lt James Shelhorse. This operational component is responsible for the investigation of all felony and serious/repeat misdemeanor offenses reported to the police department. Additionally, this unit is tasked with proactive investigations into narcotics trafficking and other criminal behavior.

Investigative Activities	
Cases Assigned This Month	7
Cases Assigned (YTD)	70
Cases Cleared (YTD)	41
Clearance Rate (YTD)	58.5%
Surveillance (hours)	40
Report Writing (hours)	26
Search Warrants	0
Warrants Obtained	4
Court Proceedings (hours)	15
Forensic Processing (hours)	1
Meetings with Other Agencies	6

Investigative Highlights

Investigators conducted an investigation based off of a tip that an individual was shot at an undisclosed location in Ashland. Through extensive efforts, investigators were able to work with the Richmond PD to identify and arrest a suspect. He was charged with several felonies for shooting that one individual as well as brandishing a firearm to another individual that same night in a separate incident. He was also charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm.

Investigators assisted patrol with a theft of multiple firearms from a residence. Through their investigation, the suspect was identified and known to the victims. One of the firearms was recovered by Chesterfield PD.

Investigators were contacted in reference to a possible robbery of a person at Wesley Street and Chapman Street. The suspect was reporting that individuals took money from them at this intersection. Currently this is still under investigation.

Investigators conducted a joint operation with VA Alcohol Beverage Control Agents at a business in town. No criminal activity was detected that night.

Investigators cleared a CART referral as unfounded. A polygraph examination was conducted by APD investigators in this case.

Investigators assisted with the annual Shop with a Cop party.

Investigators interviewed two new potential confidential informants.

Investigators attended Statement Analysis training at RRCJA.

Investigators attended a division meeting as well as the annual CCSO awards ceremony.

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Under the command of the Special Operations Division, the **Crime Prevention/Logistics Unit** entails several functional components of the agency: Crime Prevention (1 officer), and the Auxiliary Unit (3 volunteer officers) and civilian volunteers all led by Sgt. Marie Kemp. In addition to duties tasked to individual members, this component is responsible for Recruitment, Selection, Training, Public Information, Special Event Coordination, and IT Administration.

Crime Prevention Activities	
Neighborhood Watch Meetings	1
Association Meetings	2
Security Assessments	0
Presentations	4
CPTED Plan Reviews	2
Training (hours)	20
Park, Walk and Talk	11
Adopt a Senior Visits	4
Lunch Buddies	2
Project Lifesaver Visits	3
Computer/Technology Meetings	2
Special Event Meetings	1
Crime Analysis Meetings	0
Patrol coverage (hours)	
Codes Enforcement Assists	1
Bike Patrol (in miles)	0

Crime Prevention Notes

December 4: Presentation for Ashland Cub Scout Troop
December 7: Presentation w/YMCA for Iglesia De Dios Pentecostal
December 12: TRIAD Adopt-a-Senior Holiday Luncheon
December 12: Shop-with-a-Cop Party benefiting 36 children and their families
December 13: Coffee-with-a-Cop at Randolph-Macon College
December 13: Neighborhood Watch Meeting at Ashland Woods
December 12: Presentation and Tour for YMCA Day Care group

Training

December 5 & 7: TASER Re-certification completed for all operators.
December 7: Taser recert - Kemp
December 11: Administrative Investigation class - Kemp

Special Events

December 1 & 2: Light Up the Center and Foot Patrol Downtown
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Items of note

Problem Solving Committee meeting: 2
VTTI car presentation