



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.

March 2020

Part 1 Offenses	March 2020	March 2019	YTD 2020	YTD 2019	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2019
Homicide									
Rape			3		3	0	0	0%	1
Robbery	1		2		2	1	0	50%	4
Aggravated Assault		3		4	-4				13
Arson					0				1
Burglary			2	3	-1	0	0	0%	8
Larceny (below categories)	6	11	25	45	-20	5	3	32%	144
Pick Pocket					0				1
Purse-Snatching					0				
Shoplifting	1	4	9	13	-4	5	1	67%	40
Theft from a Building	2	1	6	4	2	0	0	0%	21
Theft from a Coin Machine					0				
Theft from a Motor Vehicle	2		4	16	-12	0	0	0%	37
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	1	2	3	2	1	0	0	0%	11
All other Larceny		4	3	10	-7	0	2	67%	34
Auto Theft				1	-1				9
Total Part I Offenses	7	14	32	53	-21	6	3	28%	180

Other Offenses of Community Concern	March 2020	March 2019	YTD 2020	YTD 2019	YTD Diff	YTD CLR Arrest	YTD CLR Exception	Total Cleared	Total 2019
Destruction/Vandalism	6	5	15	19	-4	1	3	27%	65
Drugs/Narcotics	5	4	13	16	-3	10	0	77%	60
Weapons Violations	1	5	1	5	-4	1	0	100%	13
Drunk in Public	2	4	8	11	-3	8	0	100%	56
Liquor Law Violations	3	1	3	3	0	3	0	100%	7

Service Demands and Productivity	March 2020	March 2019	YTD 2020	YTD 2019	YTD Diff		Total 2019
Calls for Service	518	598	1,462	1,556	-94		6,634
Self Initiated Activities	925	1,549	2,841	3,797	-956		14,009
Criminal Arrests	26	31	71	113	-42		429
Traffic Summonses	62	178	324	480	-156		1,911
DUI Arrests	0	3	2	9	-7		32
Accidents	6	10	23	17	6		112

PATROL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Captain Troy Aronhalt

Patrol Operations is comprised of 16 sworn officers under the leadership of a Captain. 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	249	193	279	175
Criminal Arrests	8	4	7	8
DUI Arrests	0	0	0	0
Park, Walk & Talks	135	129	134	106
Incident Reports	23	14	12	11
Traffic Stops	27	29	26	30
Field Interviews	7	1	6	10
P2B/C Contacts	7	33	4	5
Adopt a Senior Visits	0	0	0	0
School Visits	6	0	1	2
Bank Checks	23	33	3	1
Funeral Escorts	1	0	1	0
Property Checks	128	289	544	481
Open Doors	0	1	6	1
ECO/TDO	3	0	4	1

STAR Corridor Update

Officers handled **23** calls for service in this area; completed **88** park, walk and talk activities as well as **35** hours of traffic enforcement and general observation time.

Officers had **135** community contacts and conducted **11** roll call meetings.

Patrol Highlights

On March 1, an officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the 100 block of S. Taylor St. During the stop, drugs were located, and the occupants were charged with possession of marijuana.

On March 5, officers responded to the 300 block of N. Center Street for a call for service. After investigating, a subject was arrested for underage possession of alcohol and possession of marijuana.

On March 13, officers were dispatched to the 100 block of N. Washington Hwy. regarding a shoplifting call. The suspect was located and arrested for shoplifting and underage possession of tobacco.

On March 17, officers responded to the 200 Blk of Henry Clay Rd for a domestic call. Upon completion of the investigation a female was arrested for domestic assault.

On March 29, officers responded to the 700 block of Duncan Street for a trespassing call. After investigating, a subject was arrested for trespassing and obstruction of justice.

On March 29, officers were dispatched to a possible B&E in the 100 block of College Ave. During the building search, an occupant was located and found in possession of multiple narcotics. Warrants are pending lab analysis.

SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Major Anthony Callahan

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	11
Cases Assigned (YTD)	33
Cases Cleared (YTD)	17
Clearance Rate (YTD)	51.5%
Surveillance Assignments)	7
Report Writing (hours)	25
Court Orders Obtained	5
Warrants Obtained	13
Court Proceedings (hours)	5
Forensic Processing (hours)	11
Meetings with Other Agencies	22

Investigative Highlights

Investigator responded to a bank robbery in progress at the Wells Fargo bank, a suspect description from surveillance footage was quickly put out to patrol units and an individual matching the description was located by an HCSO patrol unit in the area. Investigators were able to interview the suspect and obtain a full confession. All currency was recovered and the suspect was incarcerated.

Investigators obtained multiple felony warrants for two individuals for obstructing justice by witness intimidation and attempts to commit perjury relating to the South Taylor Street shooting case last summer. The US Marshall's Service took the one individual into custody in Mechanicsville area and the other was already incarcerated.

Investigators received three CART investigations for possible child neglect/abuse situations. Two were cleared unfounded and one in one case the suspect was arrested for domestic assault of a juvenile family member.

Investigators followed up on two separate opioid overdose cases from March, neither of the two were fatal.

Investigators completed one background investigation for a civilian employee applicant and one on a sworn member applicant.

Investigators conducted one electronic forensic exam.

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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 Lt. 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	0
CPTED Plan Reviews	3
Training (hours)	0
Park, Walk and Talk	11
Adopt a Senior Visits	4
Lunch Buddies	0
Project Lifesaver Visits	2
Special Event Meetings	2
Preparedness meetings (COVID)	6
Street Coverage	30

Crime Prevention Notes

March 12: MAP & TRAIID Meetings.

Assisting with COVID-19 Preparation and Logistics

Assisted with Patrol functions

Training

All in person classes cancelled.

Multiple classes shifted to online format.

Items of Note

Special Events

Worked with several organizers in making decisions on future events re. Covid.
