



Providence Police Department *2023*

ANNUAL REPORT

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A Message from the Chief



In my first year as the Colonel of the Providence Police Department and on behalf of the dedicated members of this Professional Police Department, I am honored to present our Year-end report for 2023.

As we conclude another remarkable year, this document encapsulates the culmination of our collective efforts, dedication, and achievements throughout the past year. The report highlights the exemplary work of our Ranking officers across various Bureaus and divisions within our organization.

Throughout the year, they have demonstrated unwavering dedication, strategic vision, and steadfast leadership, contributing significantly to our Police Department success and growth this past year.

Let's delve into the remarkable achievements and initiatives spearheaded by these leaders in the Providence Police department.

Highlights from the report include:

- 1. ATVs: Our strategic initiatives have enabled us to make 122 arrests, execute 9 search warrants, 9 arrest warrants and seize 165 (# of ATV's) resulting in 10 firearms arrest, 12 narcotic arrests, and 7 graffiti arrest all in an effort to improve the quality of life in our city.*
- 2. Digital Intelligence Unit: Integrating technology to address crime is a critical aspect of modern law enforcement and public safety initiatives. Our Detective Division is at the forefront of leveraging technology to combat crime in the capital city.*



3. *Community engagement and partnerships: Absolutely community engagement and partnerships are integral components of any comprehensive strategy to address crime and enhance public safety. Our Patrol Division is at the forefront of leveraging Community engagement and forging strategic partnerships to augment our crime-solving initiatives.*

5. *Gun violence in our city continues to be a challenge. I am proud to report that we have charged 295 gun offenses this year.*

6. *Flock was rolled out in 2022 and became a new tool in our toolbox of technology in 2023. There were 138 cases that were solved or assisted this department on investigating certain crimes,*

7. *Recruitment the Training Bureau, Human Resources Bureau and Director the Community Engagement Bureau, began recruiting for the 72nd PPD Recruit Training Academy. I am proud to announce that the 72nd Recruit Training Academy is scheduled to begin on March 25, 2024.*

Looking ahead to 2024, we are poised for continued Department growth and success. Our focus will remain steadfast on improving the quality of Life in our City, innovation, community engagement, training and recruitment and Professional Proactive Policing. Together, we will navigate challenges, seize opportunities, and further improve the quality of Life while elevating our Police Department to new heights of success and excellence.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each and every City resident and Community partners for their Continued support of the Providence police department. I also extend my heartfelt gratitude to the men and women of the Providence Police Department for their unwavering dedication, hard work, and passion to serve this great City throughout the year. Your collaborative contributions have been instrumental in our journey towards keeping our City safe, and I am confident that collaboratively, we will enhance public safety, continue to improve the quality of life in our city while building cohesive neighborhoods in the year ahead.

Respectfully,

*Oscar L. Perez
Chief of Police*



Mission Statement

The Providence Police Department, united with all citizens, is committed to improving the quality of life in our city by aggressively resolving problems, preserving the peace, protecting human rights, and apprehending criminals consistent with the law.



Vision Statement

The Providence Police Department (PPD) united with all citizens, is committed to improving the quality of life in our City by aggressively resolving problems, preserving the peace, protecting human rights and apprehending criminals, in a manner consistent with the Law. The Providence Police Department's commitment to community policing is shown through its cooperative partnerships built around the principles of creating access to programs and resources that create good safe communities. The Providence Police Department will continue its efforts to remain a nationally recognized model department for its creation and implementation of community partnerships to help create safe, healthy neighborhoods in the City of Providence. The PPD has adopted a philosophy of creating and sustaining strong partnerships with community based non-profit organizations. These partnerships have allowed the PPD to provide a range of services that reach deep into the community's needs and help re-develop blighted crime ridden areas into safe healthy places to live and grow.



Providence Police at a Glance

The motto of the members of the Department is "**SEMPER VIGILANS**," a term in Latin that is defined as "*Always Vigilant*." This belief is not only displayed on the patch of the Providence Police but is exemplified in the Department's commitment to Community Policing, and its immersion into various neighborhoods that define our City. The men and women that serve within the Providence Police Department are part of a proud legacy of policing that spans a timeline through three centuries in Rhode Island's Capital City.

Date Chartered	1864
Sworn Officers	443
Civilian Personnel	98
Chief	Oscar L. Perez
Police Budget	\$100,044,722
Calls for Service	101,577
Total Crime Index	8

Personnel

Providence Police Personnel	Authorized 2023	Actual 2023
Chief	1	1
Commander	1	1
Majors	4	4
Captains	8	6
Inspector	1	0
Lieutenants	20	18
Sergeants	64	56
Officers	395	328
Total Sworn	494	414



Chief's Office



Colonel Oscar L. Perez

Police Chief

Oscar Perez is a Colonel of the Providence Police Department and The Commanding Officer of the Office of Professional Responsibility. Major Perez was born In Medellin Colombia and spent his childhood in his native country until the age of fourteen when he departed for the USA.

Chief Perez arrived in Providence RI and attended both middle and high school in the City of Providence. Ten years later, he was appointed to the Providence Police Department as a Patrol Officer on May 13, 1994. During the past 26 years Major Perez has served in the Patrol Division, The Detective Division, The Intelligence/Special Services Division, The Gang Intervention Unit, the Neighborhood Response Team, the Community Relations Bureau, the Narcotics and Organized crime Bureau.

Chief Perez has a file replete with awards and commendations for excellent police work and devotion to Duty. He has assisted the FBI and other Federal Law Enforcement agencies in undercover operations. Chief Perez was also recognized for assisting the Town of Johnston Police Department in the apprehension of a subject who was involved in shooting one of their police officers. During his career he has earned the Mayor's Award, FBI Award, Chiefs award, and the Fraternal Order of Police Award. Chief Perez is a graduate of the Harvard Kennedy School's program for senior executives in State and Local Government class of 2019, the PERF's Senior Management Institute class of 2016 and is a member of the Leadership Rhode Island's 2015 Lambda II Class.

Chief Perez holds a Bachelor of Science degree in the Administration of Justice from Roger Williams University and a Master of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Boston University.





Commander Kevin M. Lanni

Deputy Chief

Commander Kevin Lanni has served in the Providence Police Department since 1997 and has worked in numerous capacities and supervisory roles throughout his career. He is one of the youngest officers in the history of the department to attain supervisory ranks. Commander Lanni previously served Commanding Officer of the Community Operations/Engagement Bureau, Director of Training for the 68th and 69th Providence Police Department Training Academies, two of the largest and most diverse in the department's history. He has served as a Lieutenant and Captain within the Patrol Bureau and as Commanding Officer of the Mounted Command Unit. At the rank of Sergeant, Major Lanni was a supervisor in the Narcotics, Firearms and Organized Crime Bureau. Additionally, he has worked in the Community Policing Unit, Licensing Bureau and Special Services Division. Commander Lanni grew up in the Mount Pleasant neighborhood and currently resides in Providence. Kevin has a Bachelor of Science Degree from Rhode Island College and has undergone extensive training in multiple areas of law enforcement including crisis negotiation through the FBI. In 2017, Kevin graduated from the 270th session of the prestigious FBI National Academy for Law Enforcement in Quantico, VA, as the youngest officer from the PPD to ever attend. Commander Lanni also graduated from the Senior Management Institute for Police (SMIP), 67th session, at the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) and was a member of Leadership Rhode Island Omnicrom II Session.





Major David A. Lapatin

Commanding Officer

Investigative Division

David A. Lapatin was appointed to the Providence Police Department on July 17, 1983. He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in December 1988, Lieutenant in August 1996, Captain December 2005, then Major in June of 2013. Major Lapatin worked in many of the departments divisions and bureaus during his career including: The Neighborhood Response Team, License Enforcement Unit, Night Commander of the Youth Services Bureau, Administration, District Commander, Commanding Officer Professional Responsibility Unit he was transferred as the Commanding Officer of the Investigative Division in June 2013 and continues to serve in that capacity.

Major Lapatin has been awarded the Rhea Archambeault Award twice, recognized with the Chief's award two times, and the Mayor's award has been cited by the City Council Members on three occasions. He has also been the recipient of many other awards and memorandums of merit throughout his long career, including two for saving the lives of potentially suicidal individuals.

Major Lapatin received a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice from Roger Williams University and a Juris Doctorate from Roger Williams University School of Law. He has also attended many seminars and courses regarding law enforcement and society issues.

As the Commanding Officer of the Investigative, Division Major Lapatin oversees the Detective Bureau, Youth Service Bureau, Bureau of Criminal Investigation, Narcotics Bureau, Intelligence Unit, School Resource Officers, Special Victims Unit, License Enforcement, Cold Case Unit and Gun Control Unit.

During his almost eight years in command of the Division, Major Lapatin has made many changes and has developed new Units to further the progress of the division.





Major Timothy O'Hara

Commanding Officer

Administrative Division

Timothy O'Hara is a Providence Police Major currently assigned as the Commanding Officer of the Administration Division. He was sworn into the department in August of 1995 and has served in various positions throughout his career. In 2000 Major O'Hara was promoted to the rank of Detective then to the supervisory position of Sergeant in 2005, working in the Patrol Bureau and later became the Commander of the Violent Crime Task Force. He was promoted to Lieutenant in 2010 and worked in several roles within the Patrol Bureau to include Shift Commander, Commanding Officer the Downtown District, and Commander of the Mounted Command Unit. In 2015 he was transferred to the Investigative Division as Detective Lieutenant supervising major crime investigations. He was promoted to the rank of Captain in 2017 and became the Commanding Officer of the Detective Bureau. In 2022, he was promoted to Major. Major O'Hara is a highly decorated officer and the recipient of numerous awards and commendations including the First Place Rhea Archambault Award in 1997 for Police Officer of the Year, the Rhea Archambault Awards in 1996, and 2001, the City Council Award, the F.O.P. Award, and the Outside Agency Award. He has been a member of the Gang Intervention Unit and the FBI Child Exploitation Task Force. He was the Chairman of the Providence Police Commendation Board from 2014 to 2017. He was a Board member of the Downtown Improvement District and Co-Chair of the Downtown Security Network. In 2018 Major O'Hara attended the Senior Management Institute for Police (SMIP) at Boston University and is an alumnus of Leadership R.I. 2020.





Major Henry Remolina

Commanding Officer

Office of Professional Responsibility

Major Henry Remolina Commanding Officer Uniform Division Major Henry Remolina has served on the Providence Police Department since 1997 and has worked in numerous capacities and supervisory roles throughout his career, most recently as the Commanding Officer of the Community Relations Bureau. The Community Relations Bureau was created by Colonel Clements in 2017 and Major Remolina's leadership has been a vital part of creating and implementing youth programs, events within the community and mentorship opportunities to strengthen police interactions with the citizens that they serve. At the rank of Lieutenant, Major Remolina oversaw the Detective Bureau within the Investigative Division and at the rank of Sergeant, was the Commanding Officer of the Property and Evidence Bureau and also worked in the Patrol Bureau. One of the highlights of Henry's career was having the opportunity to serve as the District Commander in Districts two and three, covering South Providence, the place he and his family moved to from New York City when he was 10 years old. Major Remolina attended Roger Williams Middle School and Central High School and through his role as District Commander, had the rewarding opportunity to truly return to his roots, working the neighborhoods where he grew up, serving his own community and family in South Providence. Additionally, Major Remolina has worked in the Narcotics, Firearms and Organized Crime Bureau and the Community Policing Unit. He is the recent graduate the Senior Management Institute for Police (SMIP), 78th session, at the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) and holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Rhode Island and a Master of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Boston University. Major Remolina attended Roger Williams University and obtained his middle school and high school teaching certification. He taught Criminal Justice at Cranston East High School.





Major Alyssa DeAndrade

Commanding Officer

Uniform Division

PROVIDENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Promoted to Detective (2004), Sergeant (2005), Lieutenant (2010) Captain (2016) and Major (2023)

Trained new officers as a Field Training Officer.

Served as the Executive Officer and Commanding Officer of the Administrative Division.

Served as the Commanding Officer of Internal Affairs.

Served as the Executive Officer of the Patrol Bureau Night Relief.

Served as the department adjunct for PEMA and trained in emergency management.

Served as the Commanding Officer of the License Enforcement Unit.

Currently Commanding Officer of the Uniform Division.

EDUCATION

BOSTON UNIVERSITY, Boston, MA

Master of Criminal Justice, 2018

ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY, Bristol, RI

Bachelor of Science, 1999

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, Syracuse, NY

Juris Doctor, Master of Public Administration, 1992

RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE, Providence, RI

Bachelor of Arts, 1989

PROVIDENCE POLICE ACADEMY, Providence, RI

Graduated from the 57th police academy, 1997

Member of the Rhode Island Sex Offender Board of Review since 2015.

Attended Senior Management in Policing training program at BU 2016.

Recipient of YWCA Women of Achievement Award 2018.

LGBTQ+ liason for the Providence Police Department since 2015.

Member RI Bar Association since 1994.

First recipient of the Irene C. Monahan award 2021.



Office of Professional Responsibility - Internal Affairs

Major Henry Remolina

Commanding Officer

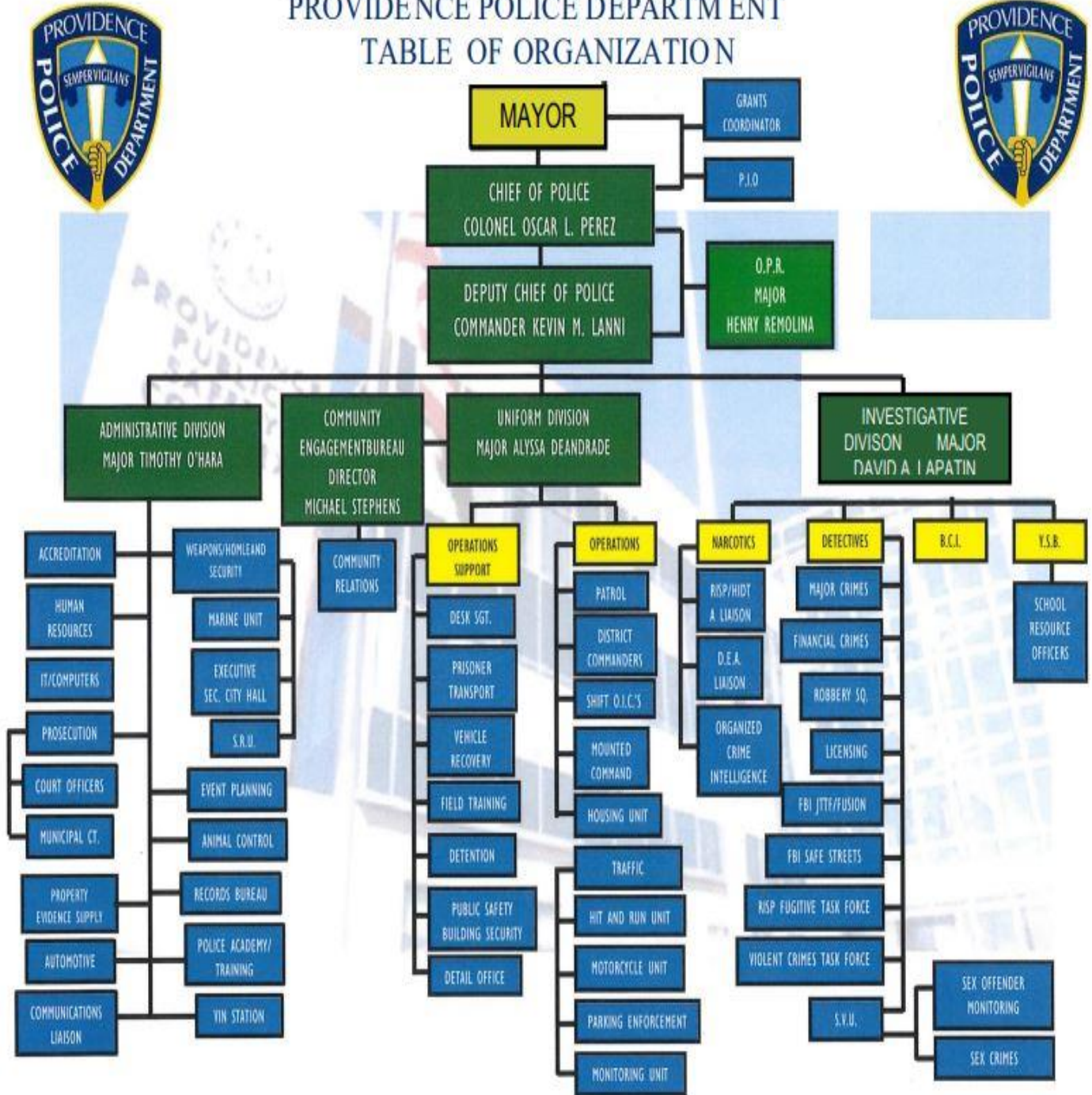
The Providence Police Department is committed to receiving and accepting complaints about the actions and performance of our personnel. As an organization we are committed to providing the highest level of quality police services to all our citizens. Integrity, honesty, and professionalism are the foundational elements for a police department. Our reputation with the community depends on developing and maintaining trust. As members of the Providence Police Department, we are aware of the important responsibilities and duties we have as public servants. The Office of Professional Responsibility has the responsibility of thoroughly investigating complaints brought against officers. The courteous receipt of complaints, thorough and impartial investigations, and just dispositions are critical in maintaining the confidence of citizens.

	<u>2023</u>
Civilian Complaint	101
Sustained	7
Not Sustained	4
Unfounded/Exonerated	44
Pending	8
Withdrawn	7
Documented	12
Counseled	1
Mediated	4
Justified within Policy	5
Justified not within Policy	2



Organizational Chart

PROVIDENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT TABLE OF ORGANIZATION



Uniform Division

Major Alyssa DeAndrade

Commanding Officer

Uniform Division



The Uniform Division is the largest and busiest Division within the Providence Police Department. The Officers of the Uniform Division are committed to improving the and quality of life for every person who lives in the City, works in the City, and visits the City; as well as engaging in positive community relations and building trust consistent with its community policing philosophy. The Uniform Division is equally committed to increasing the safety of all who live, visit, and work in the City of Providence by maintaining a sharp focus on reducing crime, directed by data driven analysis.

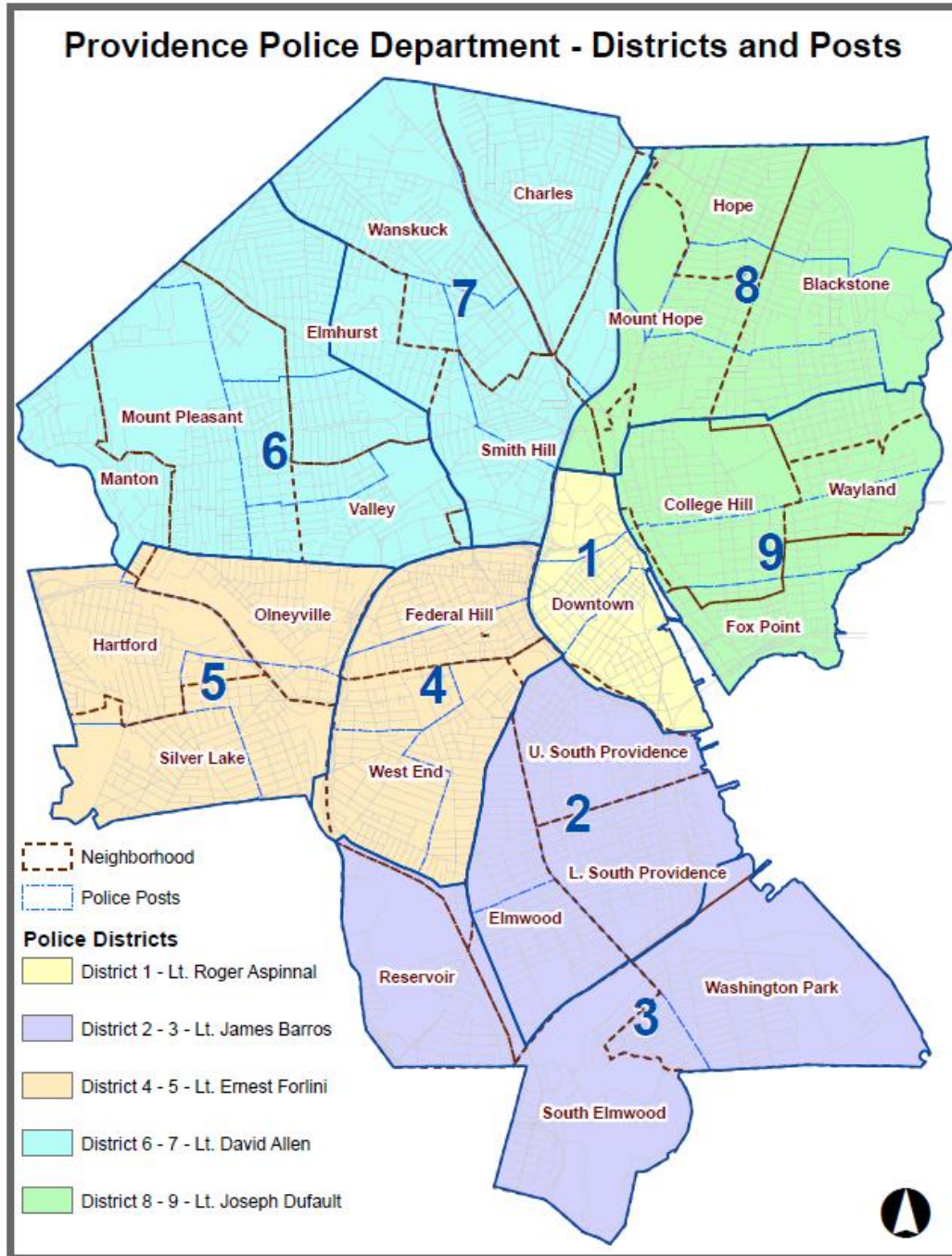
The Uniform Division is comprised of the following units and bureaus; Patrol Bureau, Traffic Bureau, Mounted Command, Motorcycle Unit, Detail Office, Public Housing Unit, Hit & Run, Parking Enforcement Services, and the Field Training Officer Program. The City of Providence is divided into nine police districts, each commanded by a District Lieutenant. This decentralization strategy allows for officers and community members to build and maintain relationships and trust at the neighborhood level.

The law enforcement profession is dedicated to addressing the needs of the community and improving their quality of life. The Uniform Division, through community engagement and community partnerships, strives to achieve these goals. On a daily basis, mental health professionals from The Providence Center and victim advocates from Family Services of Rhode Island ride with our Officers. These partnerships deliver much needed services to the most vulnerable members of our community, resulting in less arrests and an improved delivery of much needed professional help.



Patrol Districts

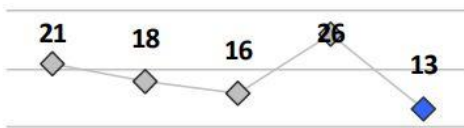
The Providence Police Department utilizes a decentralized approach in its policing philosophy. Keeping to this approach, the City has been divided into nine neighborhood-based districts: each with its own substation and under the command of a District Lieutenant. This approach enables police officers to be more accessible and responsible to the citizens in the community in which it serves. In addition, each Lieutenant is responsible for developing a crime-fighting strategy that is specific to the problems that are prevalent in his/her respective District.



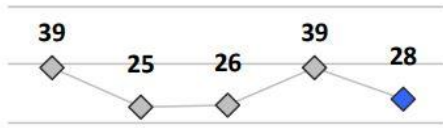
District 1

Commanding Officer:
Lt. Matthew Jennette

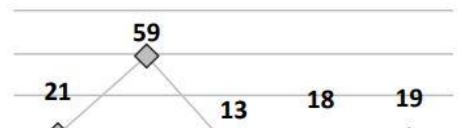
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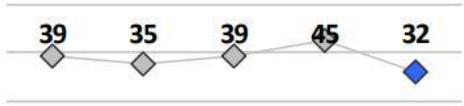
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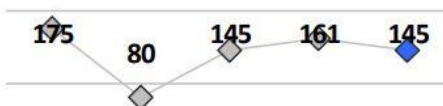
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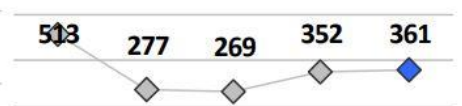
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Theft from MV - YTD

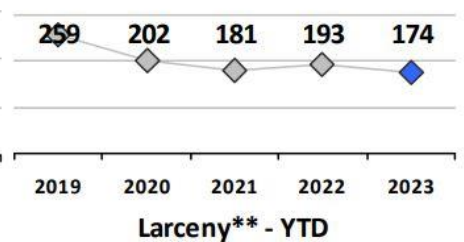
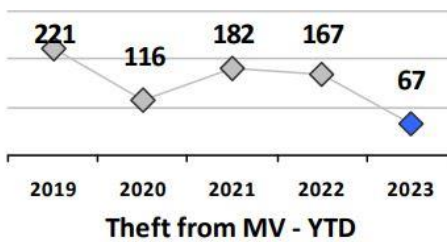
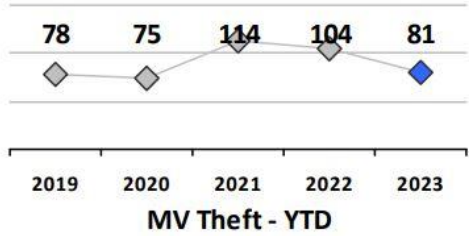
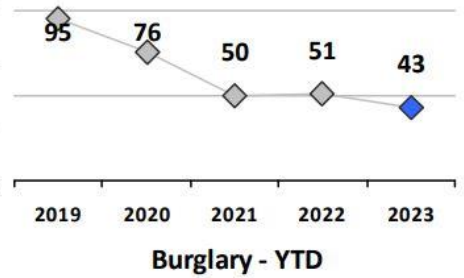
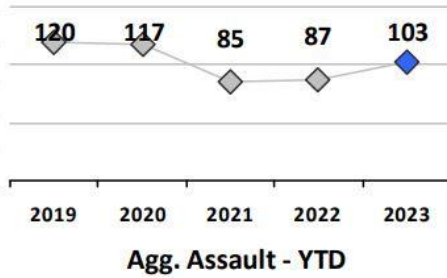
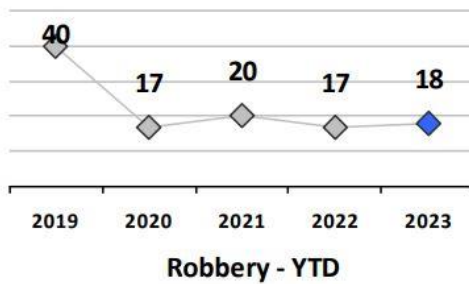


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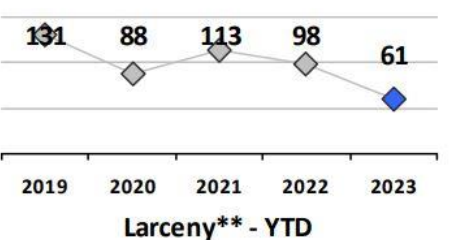
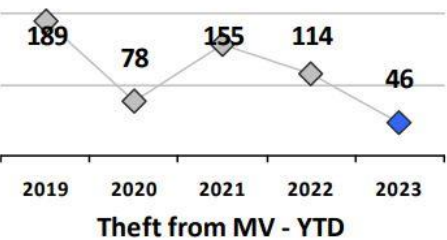
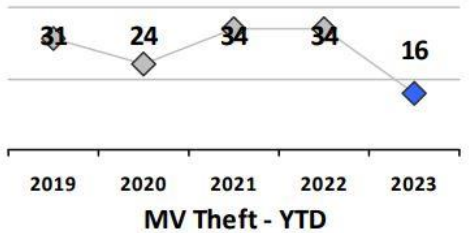
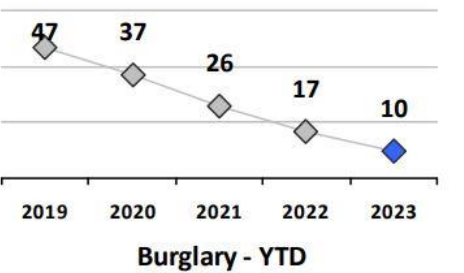
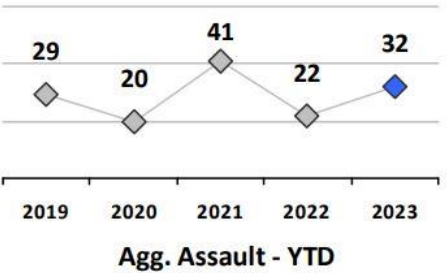
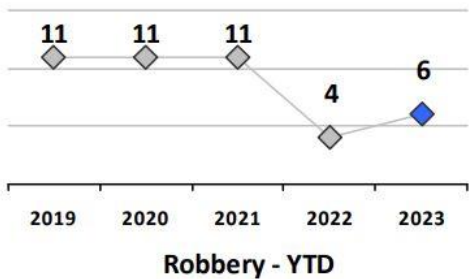
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Lt. Carlos Sical

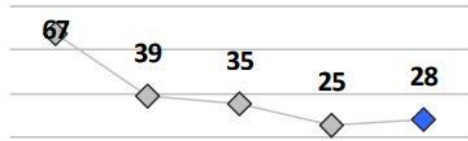
Substation: 1380 Broad Street



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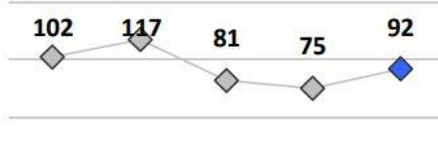
Commanding Officer:
Lt. Christopher Currier

Substation: 200 Cranston Street



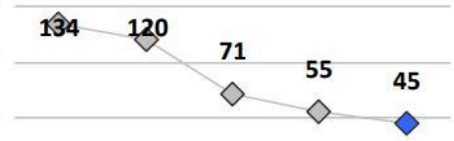
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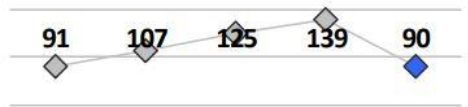
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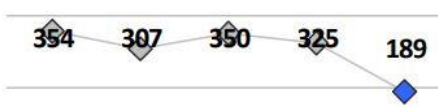
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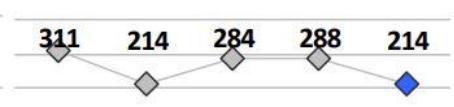
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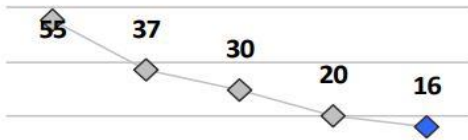
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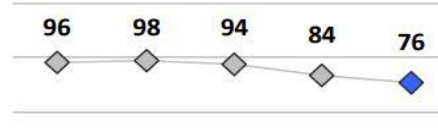
Commanding Officer:
Lt. Christopher Currier

Substation: 204 Magnolia Street



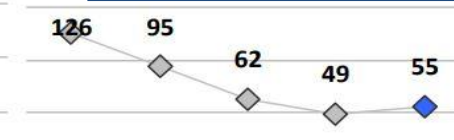
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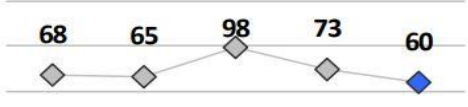
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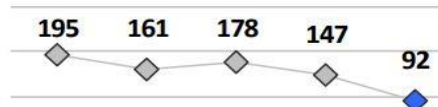
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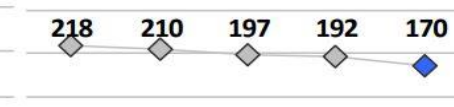
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MV Theft - YTD



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Theft from MV - YTD



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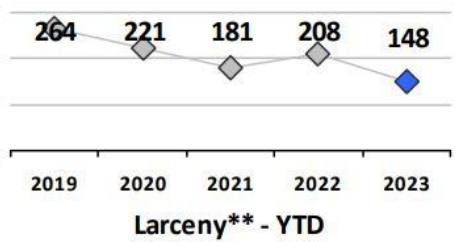
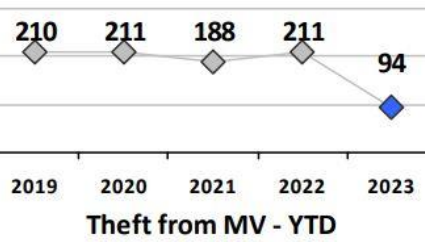
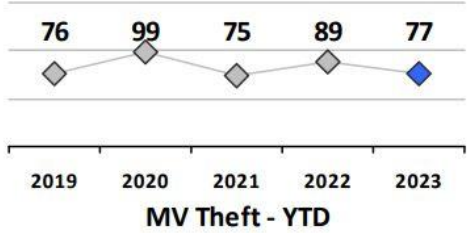
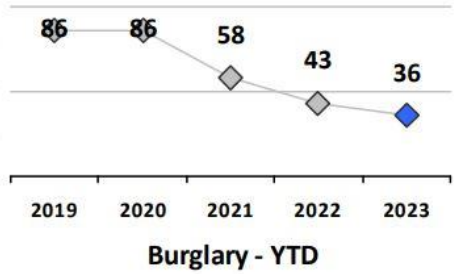
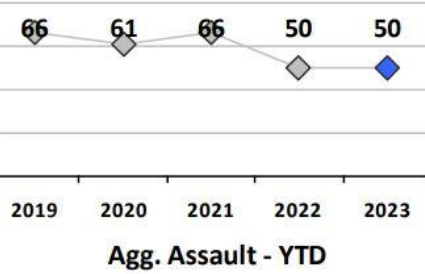
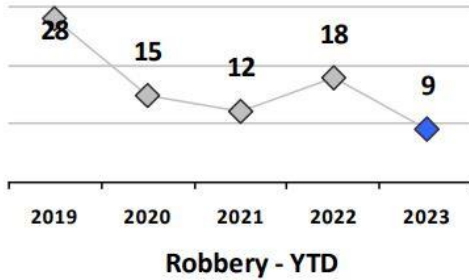
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District 6

Commanding Officer:
Lt. Richard Esposito

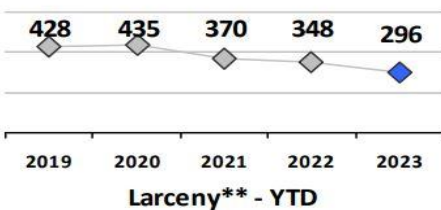
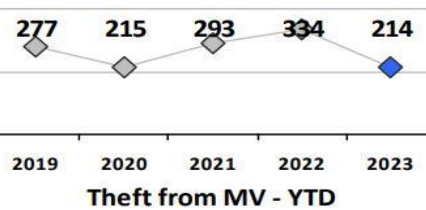
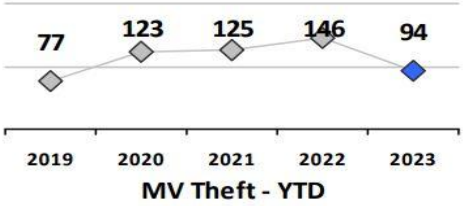
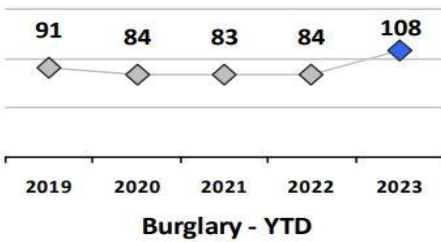
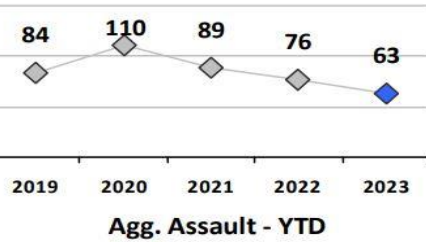
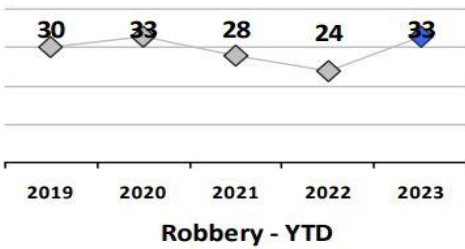
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District 7

Commanding Officer:
Lt. Richard Esposito

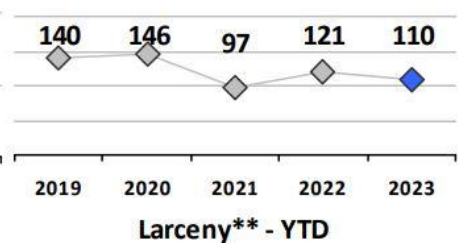
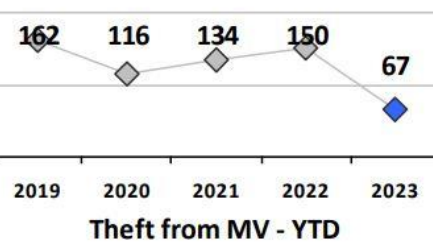
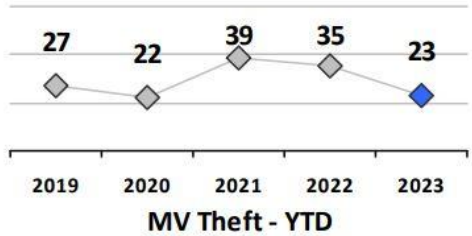
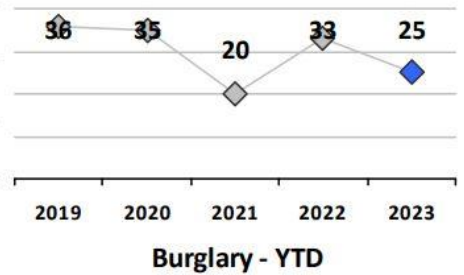
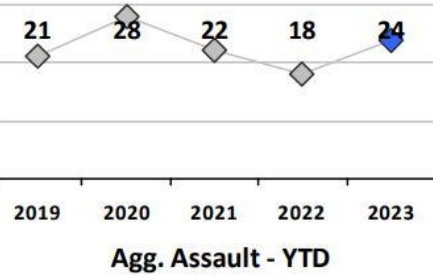
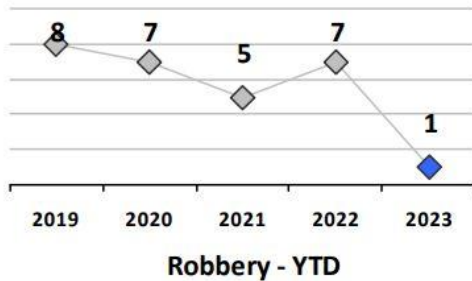
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District 8

Commanding Officer:
Lt. William Brown

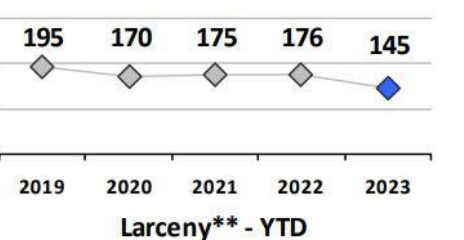
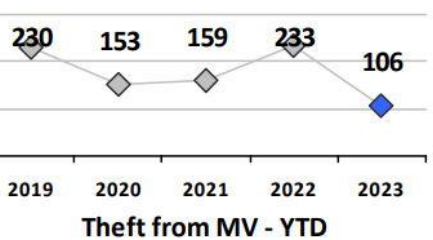
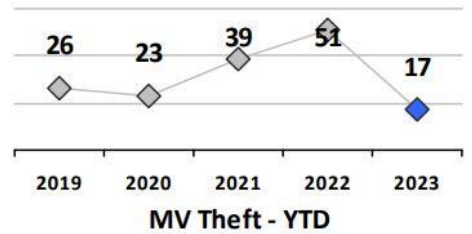
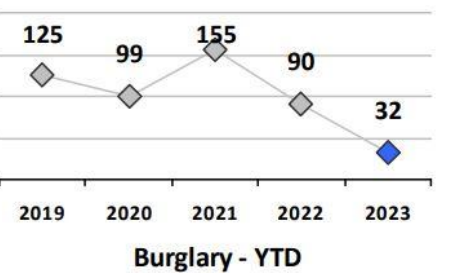
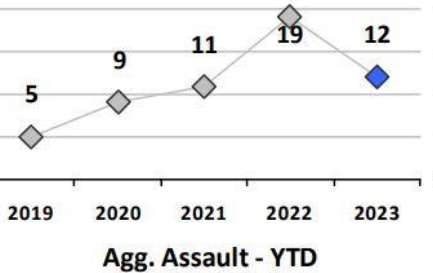
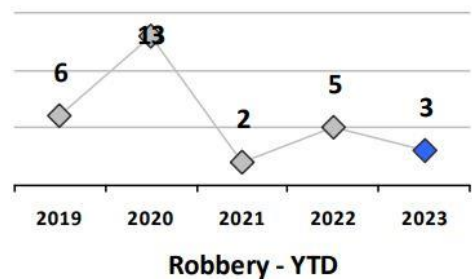
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District 9

Commanding Officer:
Lt. William Brown

Substation: 172 Cushing Street



Traffic Bureau



Captain Luis F. San Lucas

Commanding Officer

In 2023, the mission of the Traffic Bureau was to support the Patrol Bureau as law enforcement officers who specialize in traffic supervision. The Traffic Bureau supports the total law enforcement effort by directing and controlling traffic, investigating traffic crashes and specializing in enforcing traffic laws. During the recent events, the Traffic Bureau also supported the departmental mission by participating in Traffic Control during the protests, weather hazards (snow, flooding), and many other specialized events such as funeral escorts, VIP escorts, Parade escorts, ceremonial escorts, and Community Enhancement.

The Traffic Bureau is comprised of 2 Sergeants and 16 officers inclusive of the Motorcycle, the Hit & Run, the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement (CVE) Unit, the Vehicle Recovery Unit (VRU), and the Red Lights/Speed Cameras Monitoring Unit. In addition, the unit is supplemented through 1 RING Camera Network monitor. The Traffic Bureau is also comprised of 25 Parking Enforcement Officers and 1-2 administrative clerk(s), at any one time. The Traffic Bureau Hit & Run Unit also is responsible for the storage and filing of the Accident review Board reports and findings. All Traffic Bureau Officers assist during Funeral Escorts. There is one vacancy Out-first in the Traffic Bureau.

Officers of the Traffic Bureau have been trained, certified, in basic and instructor level training in Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (DUI/SFST), Preliminary Breath Test Operations, Breathalyzer, Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) and Basic and Advanced Accident Reconstruction, FARO 3D Measurement Technology, Emergency Vehicle Operation Course (EVOC), and Traffic Incident Management Response (TIMs), They are trained and certified in advanced levels of Forensic Collision Reconstruction (Basic, Advanced, Pedestrian and Motorcycle crashes), and Vehicular Homicide investigations. Officers of the Traffic Bureau have also received basic and instructor training in the LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) radar, Pedestrian Safety, Child Restraint System (CPS), and Distracted Driving recognition, and Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement, Crash Data Recorder (CDR) or Event Data recorder (EDR). Members of the Traffic Bureau have experience with the Variable Message Boards (VMBs) for Traffic Reducing Messages at speed complaint locations, as well as the tint meter readers. The Traffic Bureau is responsible for the Snow Tow Operations during inclement weather.

The Commanding Officer of the Traffic Bureau, from time to time, shall observe, evaluate and analyze traffic conditions; draw conclusions from there, prepare plans and make recommendations for traffic control improvement to the Chief of Police, to the City Engineer, or to other officials or agencies concerned with traffic safety. He also supervises the investigation of traffic accidents and assist in the prosecution of those persons charged with violations of law which cause or contribute to such accidents; seek to bring about a reduction in the city's accident rate; take whatever steps necessary for the prevention of accidents by members of the department in the operation of police vehicles, motorcycles or other equipment; and proper



responsibility for the proper administration and operation of the Traffic Bureau assigned personnel, including the Parking Enforcement officers. The Commanding Officer of the Traffic Bureau also serves on State and local Advisory Boards/Councils related to Traffic Safety concerns, and the Green and Complete Street Advisory Board. All PVD311 concerning speeding, abandoned vehicle and parking issues are steadily addressed.

During this year, some of the challenges the Traffic Bureau has faced has been a concentrated amount of Pedestrian Hit & Run Fatalities in the North Main St area, DUI stops/arrests, an emphasis on proactive traffic enforcement versus reactive accident report taking, the maintenance of Speeding and Red Light cameras by the contracted company Conduent. Other challenges have been resources such as personnel (away on Military Leave and a continued vacant post) and vehicles were addressed with the recent purchases. Our successes have included the identification and clearing of 4 out of 4 Pedestrian Hit & Run Fatalities in which a suspect was identified and charged and the large amount of Traffic Bureau Officers recognized for Outstanding Traffic Related Work through the past year. The Traffic Bureau increased its overall activity using the RIPTIDE grant with 102 % increase in Speeding, 54% increase in Distracted Driving, and 53% increase in Pedestrian Safety violations issued. Impaired driving violations issued increased 162%. The overall Parking Enforcement violation issue increased 20% and the Vehicle Recovery Unit had an increase of tagging abandoned vehicles by 90% with 123% increase on Commercial vehicles tagged, as compared to last year.

<u>Traffic Bureau Activity (2023)</u>	
MV Accidents (Department)	5282
MV Accidents (Traffic)	3955
Hit & Run Accidents Investigated (Traffic)	2634
Fatal MV Accidents (Traffic)	4
Fatal Pedestrian Accidents	4
DUI Total	125
DUI(Observations)	31
Chemical Test Refusal Total	94
DUI (Test)	31
Summons Issued by Traffic	4743
DRE Evaluations (Traffic)	1
<u>Motorcycle Unit Activity</u>	
Funeral Escorts	103
Motor Vehicle Summonses	605
Special Events	58
Child Seat Installations	121
Arrests	4
Training Days	34
Message Boards/Speed Sled placement	124
RICRS Accident Reports	71
Parking Tickets	104



<u>Commercial Vehicle Enforcement</u>	
Level 1 Comm Vehicle Inspections	66
Comm Vehicles placed Out of Service	6
FMCSA Federal Violations	78
State Violations	4
<u>RIDOT Office of Highway Safety Grant</u>	
Pedestrian Safety Violations	115
Distracted Driving Violations	667
Click It or Ticket Violations	805
Speeding Violations	641
Contacts/Warnings	1999/16
Impaired Driving Violations	172
DUI Arrest	9
Non-NHTSA Violations	421
Other Arrests	6
Car Seat Installs	121
<u>Parking Enforcement Officers</u>	
Parking Tickets issued	89,616
<u>Speed Cameras & Red Lights Cameras</u>	
Speed Cameras Violations issued	58,924
Red Lights Violations issued	50,685
<u>Vehicle Recovery Unit</u>	
Vehicles Tagged	1,112
Total Vehicles Towed	278
Stolen Autos recovered/plates	24
MV Accident Reports Taken	57
Commercial Vehicles Tagged	293
Port Tows	93
Written Violations Issued	188
Extensions Granted	29
<u>Hit & Run Investigations</u>	
Hit and Run Investigated	2634
Arrests	32
Violations Issued	789
School Bus Videos Reviewed(Pending State Contract)	0



School Bus Violations Issued (Pending State Contract)	0
Accident reports	9
CIF Packets	15
LIDARs Training	40
Accident Review Board Total	61



Public Housing Unit

Sergeant Raymond Hull

Commanding Officer



The officers assigned to the Providence Police Public Housing Unit produced the following activity for 2023.

- 178 crimes were reported to, or encountered by, the PHU officers (161 PHA properties and 17 Other HUD and Other city locations)
- Of the 178 crimes reported, or encountered, a total of 72 (40 %) were cleared by arrest on scene. (64 PHA properties and 8 Other HUD and Other city locations)
- The PHU responded to a total of 1,736 PPD and PHA dispatched radio calls for service in total.
- Issued 185 city and state summons/tags and PHA parking violation stickers.
- Effectuated 99 Dispersals
- Attended 463 meetings with PHA Security and PHA tenants.
- See attached **Public Housing Unit Arrest and Activity Report YTD 2023** and **Public Housing Unit Crime and Incident Report YTD 2023** for complete breakdown of activity.

The PHU officers work and coordinate closely with all of the departments of the police department such as Patrol, Detectives and Narcotics to effectively address problems of crime in public housing. The PHU also works with and coordinate closely with all outside law enforcement agencies, such as the RI State Police and other law enforcement agencies, community organizations, and residents throughout the year to develop and implement place-based approaches for addressing incidents of crime, with a particular focus on conditions in neighborhoods surrounding the PHA's Manton Heights and Chad Brown Apartments communities.

The PHU and PHA Security Operations developed and delivered a series of community safety meetings with residents to assist in identifying areas of concern and engaging residents in developing new community safety initiatives. In addition, an interdepartmental team of PHA staff and police met with residents whose households were identified as connected to negative activity in PHA communities. The purpose of these meetings was to identify underlying causes of behavior and offer diversion services in appropriate circumstances that would preserve tenancies while also protecting the safety and rights of other residents to peaceful enjoyment.

For 2023, the PHU officers continued to work closely with the staff and residents of the Providence Housing Authority. The continual informational exchange on suspected criminal activity greatly assists in developing a plan of action to address a developing problem before a minor problem becomes a major problem. Due to a cooperative effort between the PHU officers and PHA staff when a "hotspot" is identified the PHU provides the solution(s) that relates to law enforcement while the PHA staff, such as management, provides an administrative solution(s) such as a non-compliance lease violation infraction.



For 2023, the PHU officers continued to work closely the PHA’s Office of Security Operations to address an increase in the last year in crime on PHA properties involving theft of packages, catalytic converters, and specific types of vehicles, with the use of PHA surveillance camera footage becoming an important tool in the investigation of cases and identification of suspects.

PHA has increased its application of crime prevention through environmental design principles by assessing developments, including identifying needed trimming of foliage and growth interfering with cameras and line of sight and assessing needs for additional surveillance cameras and significantly upgraded lighting. As of the date of this report, PHA has installed 28 new surveillance cameras and upgraded lighting at the Manton Heights and Chad Brown developments. These security improvements were supported by a combination of CFP and City of Providence funding.

The PHU assisted with testifying in District Court for Temporary Restraining Orders (TRO), No Contact Orders (NCO), District Court ordered tenant stipulations and tenant terminations hearings. The PHU also assisted the PHA Fraud Investigator with possible housing fraud investigation and identifying person for PHA lease violations.

In addition, the PHA Security Camera System is used extensively to detect and investigate criminal activity or incidents. Currently there are 291 security cameras located city-wide in all of the PHA family developments and High-Rises. The PHU and PHA Security used these cameras for the increased volume of illegal dumping’s that occurred in the PHA developments and High-Rises. Numerous summonses were mailed to the registered owners of those vehicles involved.



Mounted Command

Sergeant Steven Edward Courville

Commanding Officer



The Providence Police Mounted Command Stables are located within Roger Williams Park and was constructed in 1993 through an open space grant. Our mounted unit is currently staffed by a professional civilian workforce of four members, all of whom provide superior care for our Mounted Command Equines.

The Mounted Command serves as part of the Uniform Division, Patrol Bureau, and is under the leadership of Major Alyssa DeAndrade. The Command is proudly led by Sergeant Steven Edward Courville and serves the City of Providence, performing as the police department's most successful community relations tool. The unit's police officers and their six equine partners regularly patrol City neighborhoods. Mounted Command provides high visibility over-watch and crowd control for large scale events. The Mounted Command frequently attends community happenings at local schools, elderly centers, parades, and ceremonies where they foster positive relationships with our fine police department.

In the Autumn of 2022, the Mounted Command began the implementation of Capital Improvement Program (CIP) grant of nearly \$700,000.00 (USD.)

This program focused on much needed replacement of paddock and perimeter fencing as well as full renovation of our pastures and paddocks on site at our stables. Construction will resume in the Spring of 2024.

Our stables and training facility remains open to the public and provides for scheduled groups tours.

2023 Year End Activity

- Funerals/Wakes 30
- Parades 10
- Community Events 56
- School Tours/Events 41
- Tours at Stables 29
- Dedications/ Ceremonial 24
- Memorial Masses 11
- Road Races 5
- Multi- Agency Training 1
- Enzo's Escorts 14
- Downtown Improvement/ Kennedy Plaza Detail 39



Detail Office

Sergeant Mike Martinous

Commanding Officer



In 2023, the Providence Police Detail Office assigned 19,246 details for a total of 113,819 hours. In addition to assigning and supervising the officers on details, the Detail Office works closely with the office of Arts, Culture and Tourism on Special Events. These two offices meet bi-weekly with members of the community who are interested in hosting events in the City. In 2023, the largest event handled by the Detail Office was the Providence Marathon as over 70 Providence Police Officers were assigned along with a private security company to ensure safety on the route. The Detail Office also provided support for the filming of the movie “Good Burger 2”. The Detail Office annually oversees the planning and scheduling of Waterfire, Providence Pride Festival & parade, Providence Bruins games, Providence College Friars games and Rhode Island Comic Con.



Community Relations Division

Director Michael Stephens

Commanding Officer

It is my pleasure to speak about some of the strides CRB has made in 2023. Listed below, are some of the successful initiatives the Providence Police Department has made within the neighborhoods we serve that come under the duties and responsibilities of Community Relations and Diversion Services.

Our first priority is to develop relationships with the Police Administrative Staff and open the lines of communication on all aspects of what our objectives are within each community.

Maintaining and strengthening old and new community-based relationships with the Providence Police Department is a daily objective to continue to grow. Organizations like Faith & Blue, a nationally recognized organization known for collaborative initiatives that build bridges between the community and the Police, brought together numerous Community Faith Leaders, of many denominations within the City to engage in constructive activities this past October.

This organization includes National Law Enforcement agencies and numerous faith traditions with the goal of attaining safety and inclusion. During their four-day events in October, Faith & Blue organizes activities in all 50 States that include community forums, service projects, unity marches and other special events. Providence was fortunate to have the President of Faith & Blue visit our event this year for the first time. The Roger Williams Park Gateway Center hosted this community event. This was one of many such exciting partnerships during 2023 that included:

- 1) Facilitating crime watch meetings throughout the City with open dialogue and discussion.
- 2) Scheduling Stop the Violence meetings across the City to give residents a platform to develop a relationship with Police.
- 3) Having large Town Hall type meetings within the community as another way to bring the residents and police together for meaningful conversations.
- 4) Setting up Summer Cookouts within the community to help foster a better relationship with residents.

Additionally, working with Police Officers and civilians, CRB developed community programs that have advanced the police/community relationships, these include:

- 1) First Annual PPD Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway that saw 175 families receive turkey and trimmings.
- 2) Second Annual Angel Tree Drive that saw 200 children receive gifts during the Christmas season.
- 3) The Providence Police/Wiggins Village Golf Tournament that served to raise money but more importantly bring the community together.
- 4) Other events included Roger Williams Day and the Lockwood Housing Project.



Our goal meeting with as many citizen, non-profit and civic organizations, neighborhood associations, social service and government agencies with the goal of empowering grass-roots citizen involvement in community-based problem solving. Here are just a few examples of how we accomplished this goal:

- 1) Weekly visits to Public and Charter schools where after-school programs brought people together.
- 2) Numerous meetings with small business owners to gain their perspective on Police relations with the community and listen to their ideas.
- 3) Partnering with the Parks and Recreation Department's to develop and promote social inclusion.

While working within the community and hearing from so many residents, then evaluating the needs of the community to then develop and implement plans, policies and programs that address these concerns. Listed are some examples of how we met the needs of the residents:

- 1) Raising over Twenty Thousand Dollars in just over a year and a half to fund the holiday projects and giveaways for families in need.
- 2) Interacting with residents with open dialogue at several community-based events.
- 3) Responding to concerned citizens' calls on a daily/nightly basis about criminal activity around the City.
- 4) Meeting with youth at various locations and hearing their own concerns and helping set up safe productive athletic leagues with our support to keep them away from the problems on the streets.



Honor Guard

Captain Luis F. San Lucas

Commanding Officer



Cpt. Luis F. San Lucas, a 36 year veteran with the Providence Police Department, is the Commanding Officer of the Department's Honor Guard.

The Honor Guard represented the Providence Police Department in twenty-one events in 2023.

1. Mayoral Inauguration
2. Officer's Funeral/Memorial
3. PPD Promotional ceremony
4. PPD Chief Clements Ceremonial Walkout
5. Pawtucket St. Patrick's Day Parade
6. PFD LOD Funeral Mass/March
7. Newport St. Patrick's Day Parade
8. Providence St. Patrick's Day Parade
9. PPD Chief Perez Inauguration
10. PPD Major Promotional Ceremony
11. National Crime Victims Week Memorial Ceremony
12. Aquidneck Island National Police Week Parade
13. PPD Wreath Laying Ceremony
14. Newport Gulls Heroes Night
15. PPD Press Conference 72nd Academy Announcement
16. Dominican Festival Parade
17. PPD 71st Academy Graduation at RIC
18. Columbus Day Parade
19. Veteran's Day Observation
20. PPD Range Ceremonial Dedication
21. PPD Award Ceremony



Each member of the Honor Guard understands the significance of their role in paying tribute honorees with humility and respect. The Honor Guard displays professionalism, discipline, precision, and empathy without compromise at all services that it attends.

Participating Active Honor Guard Members for 2023: Cpt. Luis F. San Lucas, Kenneth Wigginton, Al Deschamps, Carla Cavanaugh, Joe Nezier, and Daniel Hernandez.

Providence Police Department Honor Guard History

The Providence Police Honor Guard, originally called the Color Guard, was founded in 1946. This unit was organized to represent the Providence Police Department, and was comprised of a group of World War II veterans. The purpose of this unit was and still is to represent the Police Department veterans at various functions and parades.

The officers wore the uniform of the day, which was a blue blouse with a grey shirt and blue uniform pants. This changed in the 1970s when the uniform of the day changed to the color brown. Also, at that time two new officers were added to the honor guard carry a rifle on both sides of the officers carrying the flags.

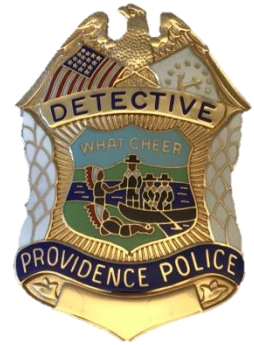
In the late 1980s, Captain John Glancy, after a trip to Washington D.C., was inspired by other departments who had adopted a more formal dress code. When Captain Glancy returned from Washington D.C. , he changed the uniform to what is presently worn by our officers today. The uniform currently worn is a dress blue blouse, boots, breeches, and two types of ceremonial lanyards. One lanyard is used for parades and ceremonies, while the second lanyard is used for funerals and memorials. The twelve member Color Guard, with its new look, also changed its title from the Color Guard to the Honor Guard.

Originally, the unit's main function was to march in parades. This would change on Thursday, February 3, 1994, the day Sergeant Steven Shaw was killed in the Line of Duty. The Honor Guard went from doing mostly ceremonial events to now laying a brother officer to rest.

Today, the unit represents this historical capital city at parades around the state and country.



Investigative Division



Major David A. Lapatin

Commanding Officer

Investigative Division

The Investigative Division is made up of four major bureaus and several smaller units. This includes the Detective Bureau who handles most major crimes in this division. Smaller units within the detective bureau deal with specific crimes, such as the robbery squad, special victims' unit, which attends to domestic and sexual assault cases. Also included in the detective bureau are the fraud unit and license unit, which monitor all licenses, issued by the City of Providence. The license unit handles crimes of underage drinking and selling alcohol to minors. Last included under the detective division is the violent crime and gun task force, which is a unit that travels the high crime areas and seeks out guns and violent criminals.

The Narcotics Bureau is a specialized bureau that targets drugs and prostitution. They concentrate on street narcotics which leads to many search warrants. They not only recover and seize narcotics but have had a high concentration on recovering stolen guns.

The Youth Services Bureau deals with any crime that is committed by a person under the age of 18. They also are the lead bureau in regard to missing persons. They work very close with the public schools. The school resource officers are assigned under this bureau.

Bureau of criminal investigations is our forensic unit. They are highly trained and skilled detectives in the area of gathering and identifying evidence in assisting detectives to solve crime.

The Intelligence and Organized Crime Unit is a unit that gathers information on major crime organizations which may try to operate within the city or pass through at some point. The unit is comprised of mostly all experienced former narcotics bureau detectives.

This March the Digital Intelligence Unit was formed. This is a highly trained unit that works with all phones, computers, cameras and other intelligence. This unit will grow as new technology becomes available.



Detective Bureau

Captain Roger Aspinall

Commanding Officer

The Detective Bureau investigates all major crimes including homicides, felony assaults, sexual assaults, robberies, burglary, firearm violations, banking and fraud violations, public corruption, license violations, digital forensic analysis and any felony and misdemeanor cases requiring further investigation. The Detective Bureau is comprised of a Captain, 2 Lieutenants and 10 Sergeants who supervise or assigned to positions in the Bureau. The Bureau has three Squads that investigate major crimes and a fourth squad that investigates sexual assault, elderly crime, domestic assault and financial crimes. The Bureau also has a Digital intelligence unit that specializes in gathering digital information and evidence from cell phones, laptops, computers and all forms of social media. It also assists in gathering video footage for investigations. The Bureau has a Night Detective Squad including the Robbery Squad, License Enforcement Squad and Violent Crimes Task Force. The Detective Bureau has an officer assigned to the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force/R.I. Fusion Center and another to the State Violent Fugitive Task Force. There are Detectives assigned to the Department of Homeland Security Human Trafficking Task Force and the FBI Violent Crimes Against Children Task Force, FBI Complex Financial Crime Task Force, Secret Service Electronic Compute Crime Task Force, and the RI AG Office of Violent Crime Initiative. We continue to work with members of the Rhode Island Attorney General's office and US District Attorney's office to investigate and prosecute those who violate both State and Federal Laws. The Bureau has also sent Detectives and Supervisors to numerous trainings to help learn new investigative techniques and trends in law enforcement investigations.

2023 Year End Totals	
Homicide Data	
Homicides Total	14
Homicides via Firearm	12
Knife	2
Open	4
Cleared	10



License Enforcement Unit

*Sgt. Vincent Sollitto
Commanding Officer*

In 2023 the License Enforcement Unit closed 8 businesses on an emergency basis. Five of these emergency hearings were for felony assaults, two were for disturbances, and one was for violation of a board order. The emergency hearing for violation of a board order was Legacy Lounge, the license of this business was ultimately revoked and the owner prohibited to open another business within the city. During 2023 the License Enforcement Unit conducted 1,804 background checks. These checks were conducted for various purposes to include firearm purchases, the processing of license to carry concealed weapons applications and for various city licensing requirements.

The following is the 2023 activity report for the Providence Police Department License Enforcement Unit:

INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE:

26 total incidents of violence in and around the nightclubs:

- Shootings: 2 incidents: 3 victims at Levels, 1 Victim at Saje
- Stabbings: 4 incidents: Vivix, El Caribeno, Desires, Saint
- Shots Fired/ Incidents w/firearm: 7
- Felony Assaults: 11
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VIOLATIONS:

General Licensing Violations :

- Entertainment without a License: 24 violations
- Hours of operation: 17 Violations
- Bottle service violation: 9 Violations
- Nudity Violations: 3
- Disturbances in the neighborhood violations: 21
- Loud Music Violations: 12

Deny Access of premises to Law Enforcement: 1. It should be noted that this incident resulted in a 2 day suspension for the establishments.

Operate business without a license (liquor +/- food): 5. Three were for one business which operated on three occasions without a license. Two was for businesses operating on a license that had already been revoked.

Overcapacity: 2

SANCTIONS:

Cases that resulted in Revocation: 2

The license for Legacy Lounge was revoked by the Board of Licenses. The revocation of all licenses was for violation of a board order. An initial investigation by this unit was conducted on 04/29/23. The violations which were found as a result (Entertainment w/o License, Bottle Service, Loud Music) resulted in a \$100.00 fine and a 20 Day reduction of hours. These sanctions were imposed by the Board of License on 06/07/23. A compliance check conducted by this unit on 06/24/23 showed that the business was attempting to stay open while they attempted to secretly appear closed. They did this by locking all doors and closing their front security window gate. The Board of License ruled that by doing this the business created a dangerous public safety hazard to the patrons and employees that were locked inside. The business owner was ordered to surrender all license and it was ordered that she could not open up another establishment within the city for a period of five years. The owner chose not to appeal to the DBR.

Total number of suspension days/closures: 97 days served by various establishments.

Total number of days with reduced hours of operation: 178 days by various Establishments

- Total Number of Show Cause Hearings: 13
- Total Number of Emergency Show Cause Hearings: 7
- Total number of Pre-Conference Hearings: 47 hearing dates for 109 establishments.
- Pending Cases and Violations: 6 (it should be noted that these violations have Preconference hearings scheduled).

Total fines for year of 2023 = \$23,350 in fines issued to various establishments.

FIREARMS RELATED ENFORCEMENT:

- Concealed Carry Permits Processed: 29
- Concealed Carry Permits Issued: 27
- Concealed Carry Permits Denied: 2



Firearm Purchase Applications: 940 applications were processed.

On July 22, 2020 the Julie Lynn Cardinal Act, aka the Home Town Chief Act, was signed into law. That act requires that the background check conducted on a gun application be done by the Chief where the applicant resides. Prior to this act the check was conducted by the Chief where the firearm was purchased.

***An additional 740 background checks were conducted for applicants applying for business licenses from the city.

***It should be noted that a new Conceal Carry Permit was developed and has replaced the old permit. The new permit is similar to the style that the AG currently issues and now has a barcode on the back that when scanned with Any phone can reveal the permit holders name and DOB and permit expiration date.

ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO ENFORCEMENT:

Alcohol Enforcement – the following list consists of alcohol related violations - Underage possession of alcohol, sale to underage, etc.

Underage Possession = 6 Subjects charged with underage possession.

Sale to Underage = 25 establishments charged with sale to underage

Compliance Checks and Purchase Surveys:

The License Enforcement Unit conducts compliance checks and purchase surveys in concert with Federal, State and City officials through the use of underage assistants.

In 2023 a total of 713 inspections were conducted, resulting in a total of 103 overall violations.

HCO Alcohol Checks: 285

HCO Alcohol Violations: 19

Tobacco Enforcement – the following list consists of any tobacco related violations broken down into various categories.

FDA Tobacco Compliance Checks = 145

FDA Tobacco Violations = 37

HCO Tobacco compliance checks = 180

HCO Tobacco violations = 27

RIDOH Synar Tobacco Compliance Survey = 103

RIDOH Synar Tobacco violations = 20



Gun and Violent Crime Task Force

Sgt. Joseph Pineau

Commanding Officer

From January 1, 2023 thru December 31, 2023 members of the Violent Crime Task Force produced the following activity.

- Approximately 61 proactive arrest.
- A total of Fifty-Five (55) Firearms were seized by members of the VCTF.
- Forty-Four (44) Suspects were charged with Firearms related offenses (some suspects were charged with multiple firearms related offenses).
- Ten (10) suspects were charged with Narcotics related Offenses.
- Five (5) suspects were apprehended and charged with Possession of Stolen Motor Vehicles.

Members of the VCTF also drafted and executed ten (10) search warrants which resulted in the seizure and charging of fifteen (15) firearms (included in the Fifty-Five (55) total). Notably, one of the firearms that was seized as a result of a search warrant was found to be the weapon used in a homicide.

Members of the VCTF also drafted and had five (5) Arrest Warrants signed for Firearms related.



Youth Services Bureau

Detective Lieutenant Ernest Forlini

Commanding Officer

During the calendar year, the Youth Services Bureau charged 380 juveniles with criminal offenses ranging from Assaults and Disorderly Conduct to ADW, Robbery, and Possession of Prohibited Weapon. The breakdown of those charged:

234 referred to Family Court (220 Processed at YSB; 14 referred from the scene)

15 juveniles were taken directly to Family Court

53 juveniles were remanded to the RITS (52 Ordered by FC Judge or Magistrate; 01 taken directly to RITS)

29 released pending further investigation (16 Never transported to YSB)

49 juveniles referred to the Juvenile Hearing Board (JHB)

School Resource Officer Bureau

Detective Sergeant Michael Wheeler

Commanding Officer

Sergeant Wheeler continues to oversee the day Detectives and the School Resource Officers.

We currently have four (4) day Detectives with one being assigned to Missing Persons.

Detective Joseph Kane does an outstanding job handling the Missing Persons cases. Detective Kane has established a good rapport with area hospitals, group homes, RIPTA, Amtrak, DCYF, and the RISP.

We started 2023 with seven (7) School Resource Officers. In January, 2023 Officer Leo Pichs was promoted to Detectives and in February, 2023 Officer Jimmy Gutierrez was re-assigned to the Training Academy. That left us with five (5) School Resource Officers for the remainder of 2023. During 2023, SRO's made 43 arrests.



Narcotics and Organized Crime Bureau

Lieutenant David Allen

Commanding Officer

The primary mission of the Narcotics Bureau is to conduct investigations into subjects distributing narcotics in the City of Providence. Our Bureau targets high level narcotics distributors to street level dealers. The Narcotics Bureau tries to focus on investigations targeting some of the most dangerous individuals in our City who are known to possess and carry firearms and who have gang affiliations. We believe targeting these most violent criminals in our City can help reduce the overall violent crime rate and improve the quality of life for the citizens who reside and visit our City. Our Bureau also investigates and enforces illegal prostitution activities within the City. In addition to our own self-initiated proactive investigations, the Unit is also tasked with handling narcotics “turnovers” from the entire Police Department which includes testing narcotics, processing and sending all narcotics to the State of RI Toxicology Lab, the charging of every narcotics arrest in the department, and then carrying the associated CIF packages ensuring successful prosecutions of all arrests.

During 2023 the Narcotics Bureau executed 153 Search Warrants, made 125 self-initiated arrests, seized 48 firearms, seized \$287,947 US Currency, seized 12 vehicles, and charged hundreds of additional arrests from “turnovers.”

Intelligence and Organized Crime Bureau

Detective Sergeant Sean Lafferty

Commanding Officer

The Intelligence and Organized Crime Bureau’s primary objectives are to investigate and dismantle large scale drug trafficking and money laundering Organizations, as well as gambling, fraud and any other crimes that violate Statutes in the Rhode Island General Laws.

Year End Stats for OCIB

- Total Arrests– 26
- Search Warrant cases executed– 10 **Of these cases several involved multiple search warrants*
- Total Narcotics Seized – 17,863.2G (17.8 KG)
- U.S. Currency Seized – \$37,696.00
- Firearms Seized – 9
- Total Complaints made against the bureau – 0



Bureau of Criminal Identification - BCI

Detective Lt. Robert Papa Jr.

Commanding Officer



BCI Generated \$8,730.00 for the City of Providence through fingerprinting services and back round checks.

BCI fingerprinted 194 Civilians for employment and Child Care.

BCI ran over 90 civilian back-round checks for employment based upon name and date of birth.

Booked and Processed 4,690 prisoners.

- 239 Cases were submitted for DNA Testing
- 114 Cases were submitted to the RI State Crime Lab.
- 19 Identifications were made through evidence collected and submitted for DNA analysis.
- 611 cartridge casings were seized and collected from crime scenes.
- 284 Entries into the ATF NIBIN LEADS Program.
- BCI Detectives testified and presented evidence in over 16 cases.
- The FARO 3d Scanner was used 4 times.
- 6,126 Criminal Records were expunged (approximate 200% increase from 2022).
- Detectives attended different specialty trainings throughout the year;
- Rhode Island State Crime School (NIBIN Training)
- FARO training
- New England Division International Association of Identification Conference.

Special Victims Unit - SVU



Det. Sgt. John Muriel

Commanding Officer

Domestic Violence Cases:

1622 Total Cases Reported 179 Total CIF Packages

429 total Felony and misdemeanor arrest warrants were obtained by the SVU members.

Sexual Assault Cases:

191 total SA/CM cases reported 43 CIF packages

43 total arrest warrants were obtained by the sex crimes unit.

Sex Offender Unit:

555 total active and incarcerated sex Offenders registered in Providence / 94 CIF packages

94 arrest warrants and 94 CIF packages.

Financial Crimes:

950 total cases reported 19 total CIF packages

23 arrest warrants, 19 CIF packages, 2 search warrants and 3 FBI crime task force cases.

Sex Trafficking Cases and Elderly Crimes

Detectives with the FBI Human Trafficking Task Force 16 cases. 12 Crimes involving Elders.



Digital Intelligence Unit

Sergeant Jonathan Primiano

Commanding Officer

The Digital Intelligence Unit was established in March of 2023 and to date has played a key role in almost every major investigation within the department working hand in hand with the squad Detectives.

Forensic Cell Phone Extractions

Consent	Search Warrants	GreyKey	Total
70	99	98	169 extractions

Forensic Video Extractions

Cases	Locations	DVR Examiner	Total
85	250	15	265 extractions

Forensic Computer Extractions

Consent	Search Warrants	Total
10	4	14 Extractions

Database Searches

Flock	Accurint	Skopenow	Total
138	625	226	989



Administrative Division



Major Timothy 'Hara

Commanding Officer

Administrative Staff Division



The Administrative Division consists of the following units and bureaus; Accreditation Unit, Communications Liaison, Human Resources, Prosecution, Property & Evidence, Homeland Security, Weapons, Marine Unit, Special Response Team, Executive Security, Records Bureau, Automotive, VIN Station, and Animal Control.

The Administrative Division also oversees the budget, and the fiscal operations of the Police Department.

The Administrative Division facilitates the hiring processes of both sworn and non-sworn personnel. It also serves as the liaison with that Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 3, and Local 1033 unions pertaining to issues relating to their members.



Accreditation Unit

Lt. Christopher Lourenco

Commanding Officer

The Accreditation Unit is comprised of two sworn members – Commanding Officer Lt. Christopher Lourenco and Detective Matthew Mulligan.

The Unit's main responsibility is to ensure the Department's compliance with the professional law enforcement standards that have been established by both the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies® (CALEA), an international law enforcement agency accrediting body, and the Rhode Island Police Accreditation Commission (RIPAC), the State's law enforcement agency accrediting body. The Accreditation Unit was also called upon to perform numerous projects and tasks in 2023.

The Providence Police Department has taken a leadership role in RI's accreditation community.

Off. Mulligan was tasked with gathering proofs of compliance for the over two hundred CALEA and RI State accreditation standards. This also includes the complying of various information required by CALEA and RIPAC them putting them into a report to be review by Lt. Lourenco. Lt. Lourenco, after review and approval, will submit these reports to CALEA and/or RIPAC on an annual basis.

Detective Mulligan also maintains a close working relationship with fellow accreditation personnel at law enforcement agencies around the country who collaborate with the unit in the timely sharing of information, research, and best practices in policing.



Human Resources Bureau

Captain Julie Pryde

Commanding Officer

The Human Resources Bureau, Administrative Division is a full service oriented bureau dealing with numerous aspects of administration, including but not limited to: Recruitment; Department Hiring; Department Separations; Injured on Duty; Light Duty; Long-term Sick; Subpoenas/Summonses; Fit for Duty Evaluations; Personnel Records Management; Uniform Bids & Specs and Distribution; Mail Collection and Distribution, and various day to day personnel functions.

Employment Hiring

The 71st Providence Police Academy commenced on March 6, 2023 and graduated on August 19, 2023. Four lateral transfers were hired on May 15, 2023 and four more on August 15, 2023. Recruitment process for the 72nd Providence Police Academy began in July of 2023 and continued throughout October of 2023. Prospective candidates completed the Physical Agility Testing and the Written Test in November of 2023. The 72nd recruitment process is being carried into Spring of 2024 with an academy of 30 expected to graduate early Fall, 2024.

Department Promotions

The Human Resources Bureau coordinated a promotional ceremony on January 24, 2023 promoting one Captain, two Lieutenants, four Sergeants, and three Detectives. The 38th colonel retired and the swearing in ceremony for the 39th Colonel was coordinated along with the Mayor's Office which commenced on March 24, 2023. The Human Resource Bureau also coordinated a promotional ceremony on April 18, 2023 promoting one Major, two Lieutenants, and two Sergeants. The Department promoted one Major, one Captain, four Lieutenants, six Sergeants and three Detectives (regular and YSB) during the calendar year 2023.

Department Separations

During calendar year 2023, Human Resources received and processed 35 requests for Retirement claims, including Regular Retirements, Accidental Disabilities, and Resignations:

Year	Regular Retirement	Resignation	Termination	Death	Accidental Disability	Ordinary Disability	Totals
2023	31	3	0	0	1	0	35

Subpoenas / Summonses

During calendar year 2023, the Human Resources Bureau received and processed a total of 78 subpoenas and summonses, with a total of \$601.00 collected as service fees.



Police Uniforms & Equipment

Uniform and Equipment vouchers were processed for and distributed to PPD personnel including: 423 Police Officers; 25 Parking Enforcement Officers; 6 Animal Control Officers; 14 Customer Service Clerks; 3 Park Rangers; and 9 Civilian Detention Officers. The Human Resources Bureau also replaced expired ballistic vests, totaling approximately \$147,250.

Injured on Duty / Long-Term Sick

During calendar year 2023, the Human Resources Bureau processed 100 Injured on Duty (IOD) claims, ranging from a simple Remained on Duty- No Medical Treatment to Retirement Board Action. During the year, 12 Independent Medical exams were ordered including two arbitrating medical exams.

Month	IOD Claims	IME's	ARB's	Light Duty
Jan	5	2	0	1
Feb	12	1	0	1
Mar	5	0	2	0
April	7	2	0	0
May	12	2	0	0
June	9	0	0	1
July	9	0	0	0
Aug	12	0	0	1
Sept	12	1	0	0
Oct	6	1	0	0
Nov	7	0	0	1
Dec	4	1	0	1
Totals	100	10	2	6

COVID-19 Pandemic

During the calendar year 2023, the Human Resource Bureau continued to monitor positive COVID-19 cases managing quarantine time, and return to work. The amount of positive cases significantly decreased from the previous years.



Prosecution Bureau

Sergeant Maurice Green

Commanding Officer

The Prosecution Bureau is comprised of the CO and 7 sworn officers who prosecute all arrests, and 2 civilian clerks who perform various clerical functions and office duties.

The process of prosecution consists of preparing criminal complaints and bringing these complaints before the judges of the appropriate courts. The Bureau works with bail commissioners on the weekends and holidays, when the courts are closed. The Bureau also prosecutes warrants, civil infractions, traffic violations, parking violations, red light camera offenses and speeding camera violations. Additionally, the Bureau also prosecutes the criminal complaints brought by the Amtrak and Brown University Police Departments, presenting these cases to the proper courts. The Bureau creates court dockets; makes court notifications; and maintains all case files after disposition. The Bureau works with the Detention Unit to ensure that prisoners are transported to the proper courts safely, on time, and with the necessary documentation.

In 2023:

Juvenile Prosecution

- 234 Wayward/Delinquent Offenses
- 85 Emergency Arraignments
- 49 Probable Cause Hearings
- 17 Trials
- 32 Warrants

RITT

- 2975 Termination of Prosecution by Police Department
- 2567 Guilty
- 18 Not Guilty
- 292 Dismissed

DUI

- 9 Open Cases
- 31 DUI's
- 94 DUI Refusals



K-9 Unit

Sergeant Curt Desautels

Commanding Officer



The Providence Police Department is currently staffed with five Canine handlers that each have a canine assigned to them. The Police department uses both single and dual purpose canines. Three separate breeds are used to include Labrador retriever, Belgian Malinois and German Shepard's. All of the canines are currently trained at the Rhode Island k-9 academy and hold National and State certifications. We hold our canines to the highest standards and train on a regular basis conducting 24 hours of in service training every month. They are provided with regular medical checkups and vaccinated regularly. Their duties include searching for explosives and firearm recovery, narcotics detection, crime scene evidence recovery, locating missing persons, tracking and building searches. The Canines keen sense of smell has proved to be a tremendous asset to the Police Department.

In the 2023 the k-9 Unit responded to approximately 322 calls for service assisting the uniform division and the detective division.

- 5 Homicides
- 6 shootings
- 10 Explosive call outs
- 98 Break in progress calls
- 4 Building searches
- 10 Tracking of suspects
- 2 Missing persons
- 6 Firearms recovered
- 9 Firearms searches
- 1 Barricaded suspect
- 4 Swat call outs
- 5 Article searches
- 3 Large disturbance calls
- 1 Police involved shootings assisted
- 2 Shooting scenes
- 50 plus search warrants
- 207 grams crack cocaine
- 5 kilos cocaine
- 7.2 Kilos of Fentanyl



Numerous MDMA pills
\$31,000.00 US currency

Conducted a track of a suspect that ran from a motor vehicle stop from the State Police K-9 Handler Chabot and Ripp located the suspected that had two firearms in his possession. Suspect and evidence turned over to State Police for charging.

Provided numerous K-9 sweeps and security for all major events throughout the City of Providence. (City hall, Water fires, road races, parades, festivals, Parks department etc.)

Dignitary escorts and security k-9 sweeps for United States cabinet members.

Several canine visits at schools

K-9 sweeps LPG tankers Prov Port



The Community Response Team (CRT)

Lieutenant Matthew Jennette

Commanding Officer

The Community Response Team's (CRT) primary objectives are to investigate and dismantle the large-scale illegal operation of off-road dirt bikes and ATV's within the City of Providence. Towards the end of the year during the colder months, the unit shifted its focus towards illegal graffiti, as well as street crimes to include narcotics, larcenies, breaks, warrant apprehensions as well as assisting the Detective Bureau with major crimes to include shootings and a bank robbery investigation.

Year End Stats for the Unit

2023 Calls for Service (ATV/Dirt bike operation)– 228

Total ATV/Dirt Bike Seizures – 165

Total Arrests - 122

Search Warrants executed for ATV/Dirt Bikes (April-October) – 9

Tips Received from “Anonymous Tip line” – 408 (emails) approx. 10-15 were credible, many were individuals harassing the unit or providing fake tips; approximately 30 voicemails, approximately 5 of which were credible.

Firearms Arrests – 10

Narcotics Arrests - 12

AIR's completed – 6

Total Complaints – *2* (Both dropped by complainant after initial complaint/ 1 of which was made solely against the Sergeant)

Graffiti Arrests – 7

There are several arrest warrants for graffiti that have been signed and several search warrants were executed on cellular phones in both ATV and Graffiti investigations.



Training Bureau and Training Academy/Recruitment

Lieutenant Michael Fallon

Commanding Officer

During the 2023 calendar year, the Training Bureau continued to collaborate with community partners and stakeholders to move forward with our comprehensive recruitment and selection process. Members of the Training Bureau attended career fairs and informational sessions at numerous colleges, high schools and public career events around the state and region.

Recruitment began for the 71st Providence Police Recruit Class continued from 2022, and candidates were prepared by staff members for the Recruit Training Academy. The 71st Recruit Training Academy started on March 6, 2023, and spanned 24 weeks. The Training Academy Staff improved upon the previous year's recruit training in several areas, most notably the Emergency Vehicle Operation Course (EVOC), in which the PPD Traffic Bureau EVOC Training team collaborated with the Recruit Training Staff to provide an improved training curriculum and course that had not been updated in over three decades. At the time of this report, the percentage of police vehicle related crashes for the 71st Recruit Academy graduates were significantly less than those in the previous two recruit classes. The 71st Recruit class graduated on August 19, 2023, and all graduates have now successfully completed their Field Training and Evaluation Program phase. The Training Bureau, in conjunction with the Human Resources Bureau and Director Mike Stephens of the Community Engagement Bureau, began recruiting for the 72nd PPD Recruit Training Academy. During 2023, the Training Bureau staff administered the Physical Fitness Assessment Battery (PFAB), assisted Human Resources in the administration of the written entrance exam, the Structured Oral Interview Process, and in conjunction with the Investigative Division, conducted over 110 pre-employment background investigations. The 72nd Recruit Training Academy is scheduled to begin on March 25, 2024.

The department's comprehensive and updated curriculum continued to focus on Cross Cultural Policing, De-escalation and Professional Communications, Crisis Response Training, LGBTQ Cultural Competency, Implicit Bias and Biased Based Policing, and new and improved Use of Force training. Much like the previous year, additional members of the Training Bureau staff were also certified as instructors for courses such as "Arrest & Control," "Law Enforcement Active De-escalation (L.E.A.D.S.)," and "Baton, O.C. and Handcuffing." Each of these courses are considered statewide (and regional) best-practices and are taught at other RI police training academies. The curriculum also maintained a focus on continued best practices when dealing some of the city's most vulnerable populations; the homeless, the mentally ill, and those suffering from addiction. Staff members were also certified as statewide instructors in "Mental Health First Aid," and "Implicit Bias Training" & "Biased-Based Policing." The Training Bureau also took part in a new and improvement Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training program designed and delivered by Dr. Silas Pinto, Director of DEI for the City of Providence.

The Training Bureau is continually responsible for the large majority of the training for both civilian and sworn employees of the department. These trainings consist of both classroom instruction and Power DMS online trainings. Several trainings are facilitated by the Training Bureau but may be delivered by outside instructors and/or subject matter experts from around the



state/region/nation. The following is a breakdown of types of training provided by the Training Bureau/Academy:

Sworn Officers trained/certified as Instructors in a variety of topics in 2023:

- Newly promoted Sergeants and Lieutenants underwent new supervisor/shift commander orientation, as well as progressive discipline training.
- Multiple “Training Bulletins” were issued department-wide covering a variety of relevant topics, including legal updates and *Brady/Giglio* training.
- Numerous online trainings were provided for officers covering a variety of topics.

Total Blocks of Instruction Administered PPD Training Bureau Staff to both Sworn & Civilian Personnel

	Sworn	Civilian
In-Service		
Remedial	15+ Officers	3
New instruction	10+ different topics/blocks	2 Detention Officers & 3 new Civilian Customer Service Clerks
Integrating Communication, Assessment & Tactics (ICAT) training	380+ officers (via a federal grant)	
Outside instruction	Numerous different topics/blocks (150+ different Officers)	0
	PPD personnel were engaged in a new web-based training for Narcan administration by the RI Dept. of Health	



Animal Control

Erika Cole

Director of Animal Control



The mission of the Providence Animal Control Division is to protect the health and safety of our residents and their pets, provide positive influence with progressive leadership and education, and continue to engage the hearts and minds of the community to help all animals. Currently, the Animal Control Division practices a low risk euthanasia philosophy of healthy adoptable animals and will continue to improve the live release rate of shelter animals via adoptions, returning strays to their owners, transferring animals to rescues, TNR and treating medical cases.

In 2022 there were 3257 calls for service. In 2023 there were 3724 calls for service, an increase of 467 calls.

Animal Bite Investigations	All Other Calls for Service
222	3502

TOTAL = 3724

Providence Animal Control is tasked with housing and caring for stray dogs, impounded dogs via owner arrest or abandonment, rabies quarantine and owner surrenders. Animal Control is also tasked with removing deceased dogs in public areas.

DOGS: A total of 607 dogs came through Providence Animal Control via incoming strays, owner surrenders, arrests, evictions or transferred in from other shelters. Of the 607 incoming dogs, 502 were adopted/returned to owner or transferred out to other shelters or rescues; 54 of the incoming dogs were euthanized. Of the 54 dogs euthanized, 27 of those dogs were deemed unadoptable, 18 of the dogs euthanized were owner intended and 9 of those dogs were too injured or sick to save. A total of 11 dogs remain at the shelter and are carried over into 2024. A total of 40 deceased dogs were removed from the roadway.

DOG INTAKE TOTAL 607				DOG OUTCOME				
Strays	Owner Surrender	Other /Tr in	DOA	Returned to Owner	Adopted	TOT Rescue or Other Shelter	Euthanized Per Shelter/Per Owner/Too injured or sick to save	Still in Care
402	69	96	40	292	49	161	27/18/9 = 54	11

Providence Animal Control has achieved greater than a “no – kill” live release rate for dogs!



Providence Animal Control is tasked with housing stray injured, orphaned juvenile, owned abandoned cats or hoarded cats and owner surrenders. Additionally, Animal Control is tasked with collecting deceased cats from public roadways.

CATS: A total of 813 cats came through Providence Animal Control via incoming sick or injured strays, owner surrender or other “unwanted” issues, transfer in from other shelters and kittens born in the shelter. Of the 813 incoming cats, 613 were adopted/returned to owner or transferred out to other shelters/rescues or TNR’d; 70 of the incoming cats were euthanized. Of the 70 cats euthanized, 67 of those cats were too sick or injured to save. A total of 130 deceased cats were removed from the roadway and 6 were carried over into 2024.

CAT INTAKE TOTAL 813					CAT OUTCOME				
Strays Adult/kittens	Owner Surrender	Transferred in from other Shelters	Other Adults/kittens	DOA	Returned to Owner/TNR	Adopted	TOT Rescue or Other Shelter	Euthanized Sick or Injured/Per Owner/Per Shelter	Still in Care
243/159	125	0	138/18	130	90/28	159	336	61/6/3	6

Providence Animal Control has achieved greater than a “no – kill” live release rate for cats!

Free Spay and Neuter Program for Cats: A total of 147 cats were spayed and neutered through the “Gimme Shelter” Program. PAC TNR’d a total of 24 cats in 2023! Only one of the cats trapped for TNR was too sick to save. Providence Animal Control is the **only** municipal shelter in Rhode Island to have a program like Gimme Shelter dedicated to owned and feral cats!

Owned Providence Cats spayed and Neutered	Feral Cats TNR’d Total	Euth/too sick or injured
Owned 122	TNR 21	1 147

Wildlife: A total of 170 wild and miscellaneous animals came through Providence Animal Control including, hawks, hens, domestic and wild rabbits/bunnies, racoons, groundhogs, opossums and other animals. It is imperative that PAC work with wildlife rehabilitators in the City by rescuing, capturing and transporting wild animals to local rehabbers for evaluation.



Property, Evidence and Supply Bureau

Sergeant Matt Cute

Commanding Officer

The daily operation of the bureau consists of receiving general property and evidence, facilitating the return of property/evidence, and purging said evidence from disposed cases or abandoned property, ensuring the custody and recording of all narcotics, as well as cash and asset forfeitures. They maintain accurate record of all off-road vehicles seized by the department, and coordinates the transfer of Unclaimed Property to the State of RI. Finally, ordering and delivery of all the office supplies for the department through W.B. Mason with a budget of \$35,000.

In the month of August 2023 this office was informed of a new policy from the ACI where that facility would no take the personal items belonging to prisoners. As a result of the policy this office is now responsible for items of personal property that prisoners have in their possession when they are arrested. This has created a situation where this office has to account for all of this property and store it accordingly.

During 2023, the PESB:

- *Managed a total of \$332,588.00 in cash along with 12 automobiles, seized pending forfeiture from various units.
- * Received a total of 123 ATVs and dirt bikes.
- * Returned a total of 42 ATV's and dirt bikes to their owner per Municipal Court.
- *Conducted two ATV / Dirt Bike destructions where a total of 123 off-road vehicles were destroyed.



Weapons/Homeland Security Bureau

Lieutenant Patrick Potter

Commanding Officer

The following summarizes the accomplishments of the Homeland Security and Weapons Bureau as well as the Special Response Unit during 2023.

Homeland Security and Weapons Bureau:

- Supported Mayoral Inauguration
- Conducted Roger Williams Park Active Shooter exercise
- Issued 242 Taser 7's and conducted associated initial training.
- Conducted 268 Test fires.
- Coordinated with ACI for completion of Range lighting project.
- Conducted 15 Active Shooter trainings for City buildings and other community stakeholders
- Conducted Active shooter training in Barrington for 52 members of the rifle team on March 14th, 15th and 16th.
- Conducted Spring departmental qualifications for over 400 officers
- Conducted Firearms and Taser training and qualification for the 71st Training Academy
- Conducted Officer Survival, Less Lethal Munitions familiarization, Tactical Medical Care and Critical Incident Response training for 71st Academy.
- Assisted in 71st Academy training at Camp Varnum with Simunition scenario training.
- Scheduled DEFTEC pistol/rifle instructor and Pistol Optics Training at the range.
- Attended four Rail Safe Days at Amtrak Station
- Coordinated Active Shooter Exercise at Providence College with PC Security and PFD
- Conducted quarterly rifle trainings in March, May, September, and October.
- Conducted FIT investigation for OIS involving Ptlm. Stanzione, Sgt. Lopes, and Sgt. Rampone
- Conducted Active Shooter demonstration and training for Rhode Island Convention Center and AMP Pavilion employees.
- Attended two week FLETC Use of Force Instructor Course in August.
- Conducted joint RI Army National Guard and PEMA train derailment table top exercise
- Conducted Carl Lauro Active Shooter exercise for Providence school personnel
- Trained over 100 City Hall and DPW employees in civilian response for Active Shooter
- Oversaw Providence Police Range dedication
- Conducted Fall department qualifications for over 420 officers
- Two officers attended Taser recertification.
- Provided security for three separate LNG tanker deliveries during course of year.
- Over the course of 2023 developed and instructed 180 hours of SRU trainings encompassing 38 SRU core competencies.
- Scheduled and managed range use for 13 outside agencies consisting of 106 days throughout the year.
- Supported additional security and planning for the Army vs. Navy game stay at RICC.



Special Response Unit:

- Supported the following 15 special events and protests with increased SRU security
 - Mayoral Inauguration
 - Bishop/Vatican Visit
 - Two Tyre Nichols Protests
 - LEOBOR Protest
 - Pride Festival
 - 4th of July Fireworks
 - Cape Verdean Festival
 - Puerto Rican Festival
 - Dominican Festival
 - PVD Festival
 - Columbus Day Festival
 - Comic Con Event
 - State House Gaza Protest
 - Army vs. Navy Game Stay at RICC
- Completed the following 9 SRU callouts
 - 136 Park Street Pawtucket Search Warrant
 - 25 America Street Search Warrant
 - Minto Street Barricaded Stabbing Suspect
 - Laban Street Barricaded Armed Suspect
 - 140 Hudson and 280 Union Search Warrants
 - 29 Elena Street Search Warrant
 - 35 March Street Search Warrant
 - 105 Parnell Street Search Warrant
 - 399 Public Street Barricade Armed Homicide Subject



Executive Security and City Hall Security

The Mayor's Executive Security Team is comprised of the CO and four sworn officers. The CO reported directly to Major Timothy O'Hara, Commander of the Department's Administrative Division.

The Mayor's Executive Security Team is charged with ensuring the safety and security of the Mayor at all times and wherever the Mayor may travel. Protective responsibilities include:

Personal, grounds, and facility security and protection.

Postal, e-mail, and telephone screening.

Threat evaluation.

The Mayor's Executive Security Team members spend a majority of their time conducting advance work and formulating logistical plans for the numerous public appearances that the Mayor must attend while in office.

The City Hall Security function, which is also overseen by the CO, is comprised of 1 sworn officer. Responsibilities include:

Monitoring all cameras feeds and computer screens from the Control Area Station.

Maintaining security within and about the curtilage of the City Hall building.

Assisting the Mayor's Executive Security Team.

Building a rapport with, and interfacing/working with, downtown Bicycle Unit personnel and District 1 patrol officers and supervisors for any matters that may require assistance.



Marine Unit/Dive Team

Lieutenant Charles Vieira

Commanding Officer

The Providence Police Marine Unit is comprised of one commanding officer and 9 sworn officers. The Marine Unit currently has three vessels attached to its fleet. The first is the 27' SAFE Boat, which is an all-season aluminum boat capable of operating in various types of weather and bodies of water. This past year our recently approved electronics upgrade was fully installed and is now operational. This installation included a complete navigational overhaul to a Garmin system and the addition of a Flur infrared camera. We also replaced all VHF radios in our vessels and currently have a full compliment of LED lighting on order for the 27' Safe boat. Our other two vessels are a 23' Boston Whaler (currently removed from service), and the 19' North Coast center console which is in full functioning condition.

This past year the Marine Unit was busy from the start. Focusing efforts on the safety and security of the port and inner harbor, the marine unit worked closely with the United States Coast Guard during the arrival and departures of (3) separate LPG Tankers into the Port of Providence.

In addition to port security, the marine unit also worked in other capacities. Since 2021 the unit has worked in conjunction with RIDOT and Barletta construction as they continue the demolition and pier/steel installation. This work is still in progress and is projected to continue throughout 2023 and into 2024. During the busy summer months, for harbor safety and security, our 19' vessel was also placed into service for all waterfire events as well as the July 4th weekend.

This past season the marine unit was operational for several different types of calls for service. During the summer months the Marine unit was also able to assist Portsmouth PD with security during their Aquapalooza event. Local calls for service during the summer months ranged from possible distressed or drowned victims to disabled or sinking vessels.

All in all it was a busy and productive year for our unit. We are looking forward to continued training and just recently made contact with the United States Coast Guard in regards to some joint team exercises which we hope to have take place late summer/ early fall. All members of the unit have recently been NASBLA certified in a recently acquired Boat Crew Member Course which puts us on par with Coast Guard Standards. Three of the units officers were also able to attend and graduate an OUPV Captains course this past September. Information obtained from this class will enable these three officers to come back and train some of their own as the year progresses. The Providence Police Marine Unit is looking forward to another busy summer on the river and the bay with continued education of our boaters and a full commitment to the safety the community.



Records Bureau

Sergeant Albert DeCristofano

Commanding Officer

The Records Bureau is comprised of the C.O. and four civilian clerks and is responsible for maintaining and dispensing police department records and reports in accordance with the Rhode Island Access to Public Records Act, or APRA.

The Records Bureau also works daily with members of the City of Providence Law Department as well as members of the media and the general public in disseminating this information and also fills requests when received by court issued subpoena.

The Records Bureau also works closely with local and regional colleges and Universities in providing up to date information for federally mandated “Clery” requests, which includes location specific crime data for these entities.

Collecting and accounting of payments received for copies of records and reports. In 2023 the Bureau generated \$ 108,677.64.

Ensuring that crime data is forwarded to the State UCR Coordinator monthly. This data is audited each day by the Records Bureau C.O. and is obtained from every police report of crime in the City. It is later published in the annual “Crime in Rhode Island” report as well as the annual FBI report.

Compiling data and preparing full report in compliance with “R.I Good Samaritan Overdose Prevention Act”. RIGL 21-28.9-5

Point of contact for requests in accordance with A.P.R.A. for the Body Worn Camera access. There were 610 APRA request in 2023.

Representing the Department in federal, state, and local legal proceedings regarding records in custody. The Records Bureau CO responded to 35 subpoenas in 2023.

Abiding by the stringent legal and managerial procedures relating to the expungement of records.

Releasing incident reports to public and private entities while adhering to A.P.R.A. Statutes.

Working with software-based reporting systems such as AEGIS™, CRASH™, Lexis Nexis, Cop-Logic,

AXON/Evidence.com, D.O.R.S and the incident-based Reporter (IBR/UCR).



Mandated attendance for office personnel at City and State customer service, computer and APRA training.

Compiling the annual “*Clery Report*”, which is a statistical data set extrapolated from the Department’s electronic incident reporting systems. The Clery Report is requested by local Colleges and universities, and provides information pertaining to specific crimes that have occurred either upon or within the vicinity of their various properties within the City. The Records Bureau CO compiled 39 unique Clery reports in 2023.

Auditing UCR Part I and Part II criminal offenses in a manner consistent with UCR/IBR guidelines.



2023 Crime Statistics

Dan Clement

Statistical Analyst

2023 Calls For Service

		Total Calls For Service	101,577
Call Type	Calls	Call Type	Calls
Traffic Accident	8,787	Sexual Assault	235
Traffic Stop	8,761	Shoplifting	228
Check Well Being	7,779	Traffic Code Violation	214
Alarm - Business	6,184	Lock Out	197
Loud Music/Party	5,636	Missing Person - Adult	192
Keep the Peace	5,408	Fraud	187
Dispersal	4,941	Exposing	182
Suspicious Person/Activity	4,321	Sudden Death/DOA	179
Officer Initiated	4,064	Fire	176
Illegal Parking	3,838	Fireworks	171
Animal Complaint	3,440	Lost Plate	168
911 Hang Up/Open Line	2,929	Suicide Attempt	167
Person Annoyed	2,651	Dispersal - Crowd	164
Disturbance - Public	2,353	Narcotics Violation	142
Alarm - Residential	1,757	Missing Person - Returned	131
Larceny	1,702	Robbery	114
Refusing to Leave	1,580	Stabbing	98
Assault	1,569	Break in Progress	92
Juvenile Matter	1,534	Animal Bite	85
Pedestrian Stop	1,493	Open Door/Window	76
Safety Hazard	1,422	Shooting	72
Disturbance - Domestic	1,411	Harassing Phone Calls	71
Assist	1,389	Storm Hazard - Streets	70
Threats	1,253	Arrest	59
Traffic Accident - with Injuries	1,027	Try & Locate	55
Abandoned Vehicle	893	Unregistered Vehicle	52
Stolen Auto	724	Disorderly Conduct	44
Malicious Mischief	681	Storm Hazard - Trees	39



MHI	571	Holding Subject	38
Notification	552	Lost Article	36
Property Damage	546	Vehicle Pursuit	34
Missing Person - Juvenile	496	Industrial Accident	27
Medical Aid	486	Storm Hazard - Utility Wires	26
Auto Towed	476	License Violation	22
Alarm - Panic	453	Evading Payment	21
Article Found	394	Graffiti	19
Overdose	381	Liquor Law Violation	18
B & E Report	373	Bomb Threat	13
Intoxicated Subject	372	Carjacking	13
Shots Fired	363	Accident	8
Assist Fire Department	355	Aggravated Assault	8
Pedestrian Struck	351	Home Invasion	7
Stolen Auto - Recovered	323	Officer Needs Assistance	5
Trespassing	294	Animal Hospital	5
Violation Protective Order	276	Weapon Violation	4
Auto/ATV Racing	270	Handbag Snatch	2
Person with a Gun	253	Prostitution	2
Alarm - Ringing	249	Abduction/Kidnapping	1
Simple Assault	246	Cashing Bad Check	1



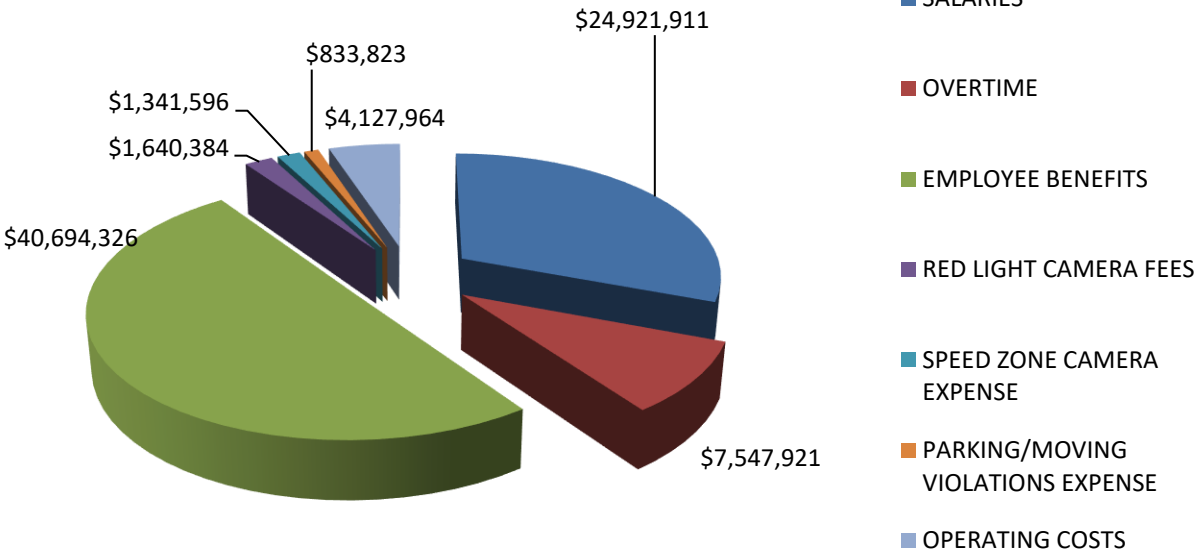
Budget & Grants



Elaine M. Richards
Deputy Commissioner

Budget & Grants

FY 2023 POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET EXPENDITURES - \$81,107,925



Honoring Fallen Members of the Providence Police Department

"We will never forget"



Sergeant Maxwell Dorley

EOW: Thursday, April 19, 2012

Cause: Automobile accident



Detective Sergeant James Lloyd Allen

EOW: Sunday, April 17, 2005

Cause: Gunfire



Sergeant Cornel Young, Jr.

EOW: Friday, January 28, 2000

Cause: Gunfire (Accidental)



Sergeant Steven M. Shaw

EOW: Thursday, February 3, 1994

Cause: Gunfire



Patrolman Thomas A. Mulvey

EOW: Saturday, September 19, 1931

Cause: Vehicle pursuit



Patrolman James H. O'Brien

EOW: Sunday, February 12, 1928

Cause: Gunfire



Sergeant William A. Flynn

EOW: Sunday, February 12, 1928

Cause: Gunfire



Mounted Patrolman James Cavanaugh

EOW: Tuesday, December 26, 1916

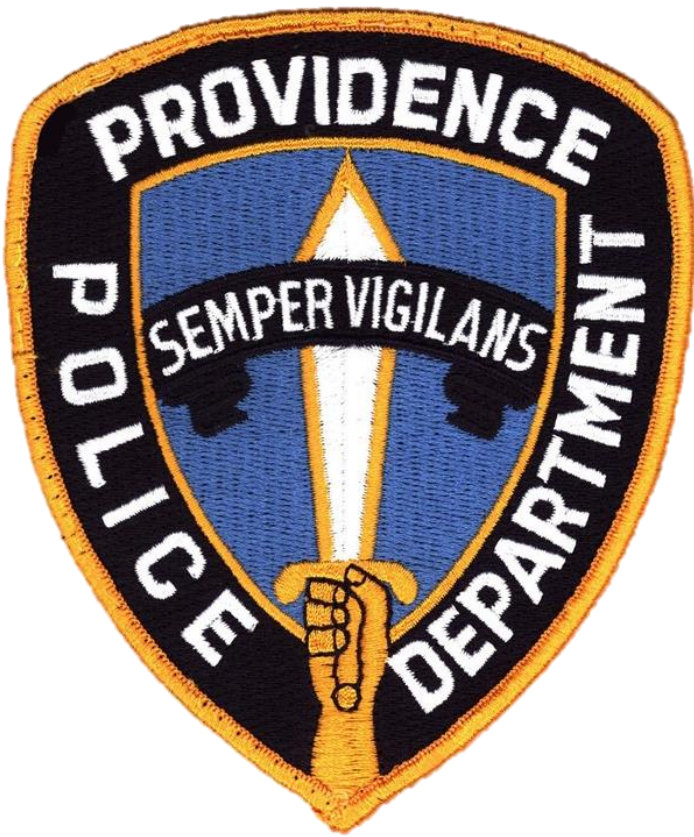
Cause: Animal related



Patrolman John F. Brennan

EOW: Sunday, April 2, 1911

Cause: Gunfire



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