

KINGSPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT



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2017 ANNUAL REPORT

MISSION STATEMENT

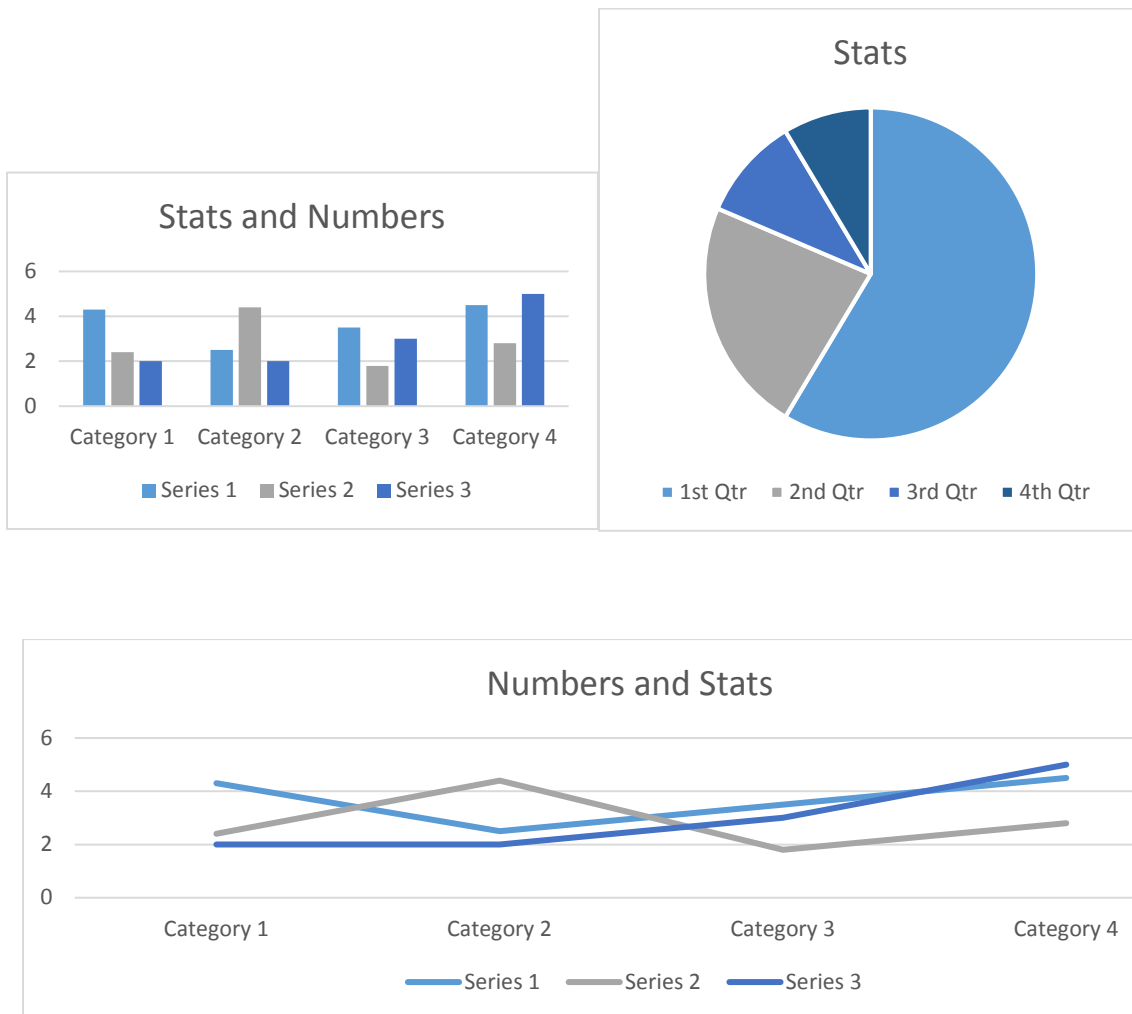
THE MISSION OF THE KINGSPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT IS TO PRESERVE THE PEACE, PROTECT LIFE AND PROPERTY, PREVENT CRIME, APPREHEND CRIMINALS, RECOVER LOST AND STOLEN PROPERTY, AND ENFORCE LAWS FAIRLY AND IMPARTIALLY.

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STATISTICS AND NUMBERS

It should be noted that the statistics reflected herein were accurate at the time of compilation. However, the totals are continually changing as cases are solved, cleared, unfounded, etc. Other offenses that have gone unreported are sometimes uncovered in the course of an investigation. We continue to pursue these incidents and add to the records as they develop.



CITY OF KINGSPORT



MAYOR

John Clark

VICE MAYOR

Mike McIntire

ALDERMEN

Jennifer Adler Joe Begley Betsy Cooper

Colette George Tommy Olterman

CITY MANAGER

Jeff Fleming

CHIEF OF POLICE

David Quillin

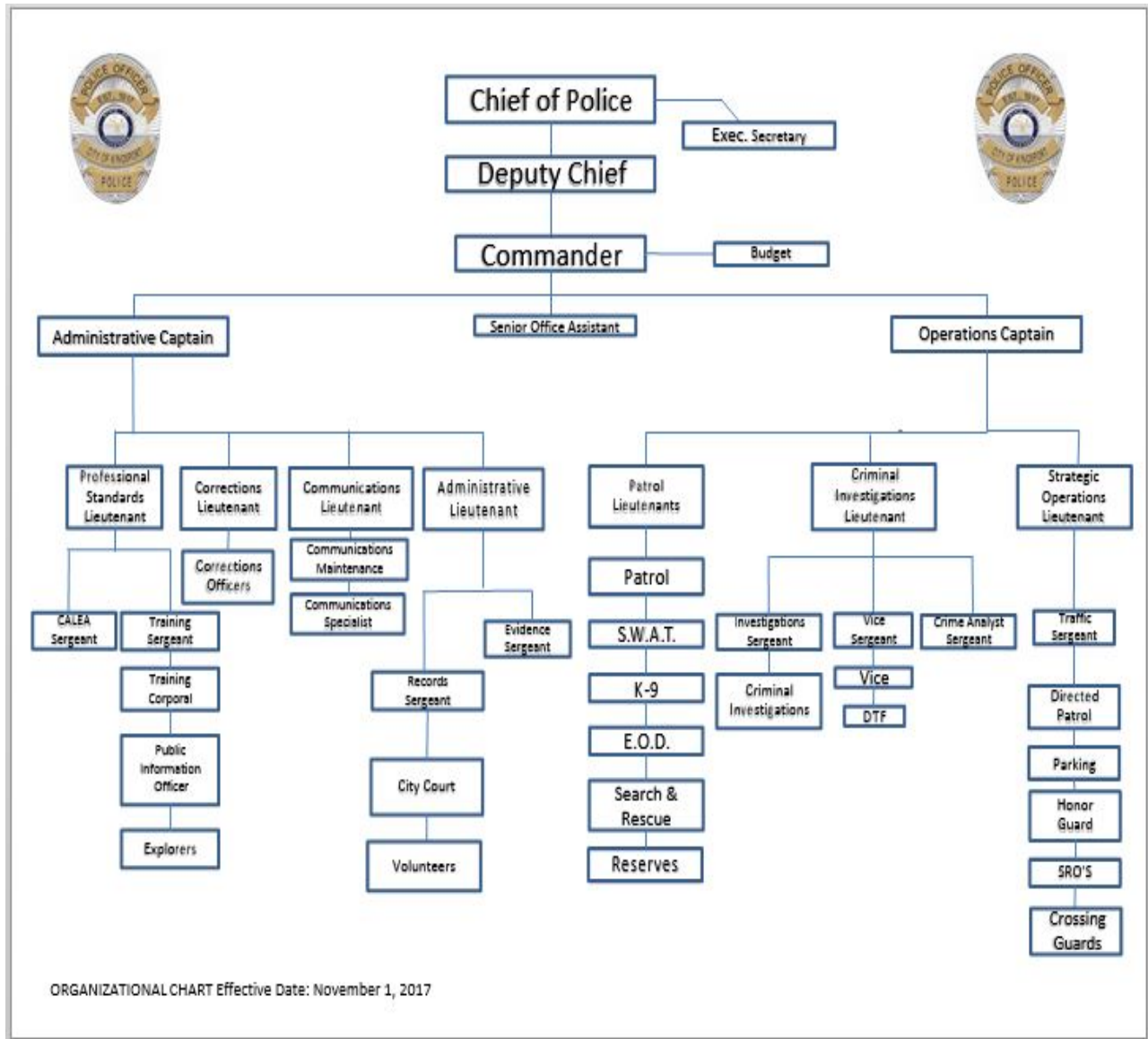
DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE

Dale Phipps

COMMANDER

Jason Bellamy

KINGSPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



INTRODUCTION



Kingsport Police Department,

ca. 1950

In 1822 the town of Christianville and the town of Rossville combined to form the incorporated town of Kingsport. The second oldest town in Sullivan County, Kingsport was considered the largest and most influential city in the county. Almost 100 years elapsed before Kingsport officially became a city in March 1917. Until that time, all law enforcement was performed by constables and the Sheriff of Sullivan County.

Upon being notified that the City had been chartered, the new governing body appointed George Barger as Chief of Police and three additional officers, W.P. Flora, A.R. Hagy, and Sam Barger, to serve and protect the City of Kingsport. Sullivan County Deputies W.W. Leedy and S.P. Devault were also still assigned to patrol the city.

The City of Kingsport has had fourteen Police Chiefs since its charter, the current being Chief David Quillin. Currently the Kingsport Police Department has one hundred and twenty one sworn Officer positions, eight Corrections Officers, twenty-two Tele-communicators, and twenty-four civilian positions variously assigned. Additionally, the department and city benefit from the volunteer services of three reserve officers and three civilian volunteers. The department serves a population of slightly over 53,000 citizens. The city encompasses 53.28 square miles, the majority of which is inside of Sullivan County, with the westernmost edge in Hawkins County. Officers patrol 498.83 miles of streets, which include 25.53 miles of interstates.

The Kingsport Police Department also operates the city's 911 Communications Center. The department is unique in that it is one of the few remaining municipal police departments in the state that operate an in-house city jail. In 1989 the police department moved into the current Justice Center. Shortly after this move, the department was able to achieve a significant goal by obtaining national accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). The Kingsport Police Department was the first law enforcement agency in the East Tennessee region, as well as being only the third agency in the entire State of Tennessee, to achieve this honor.

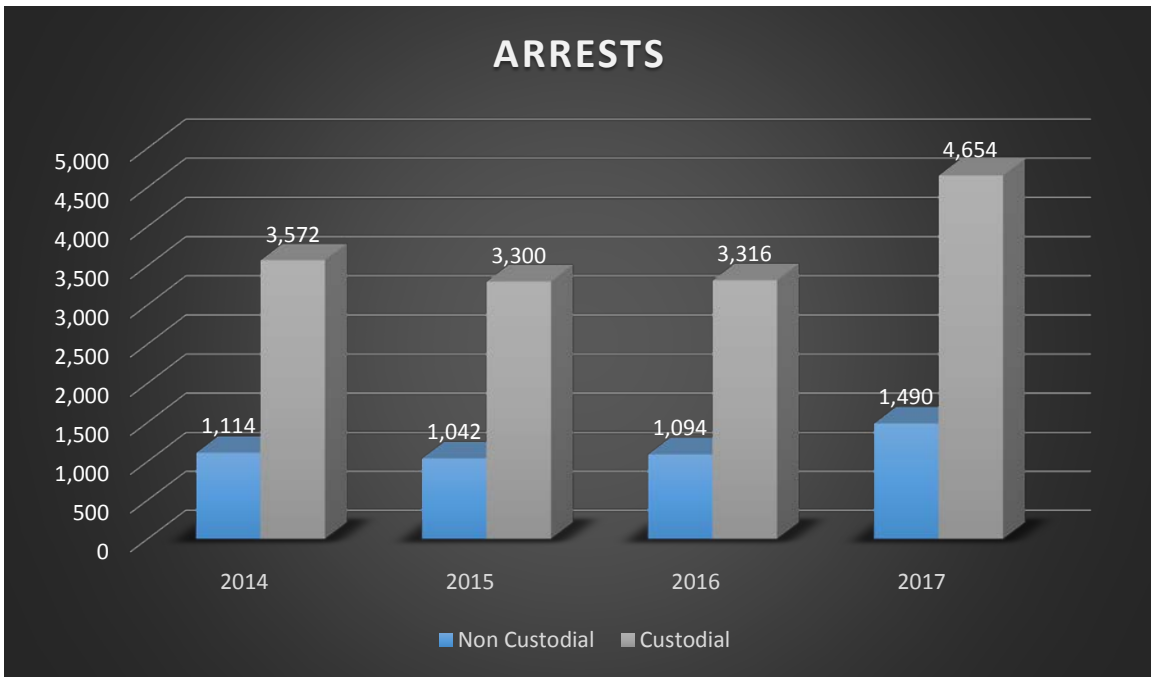
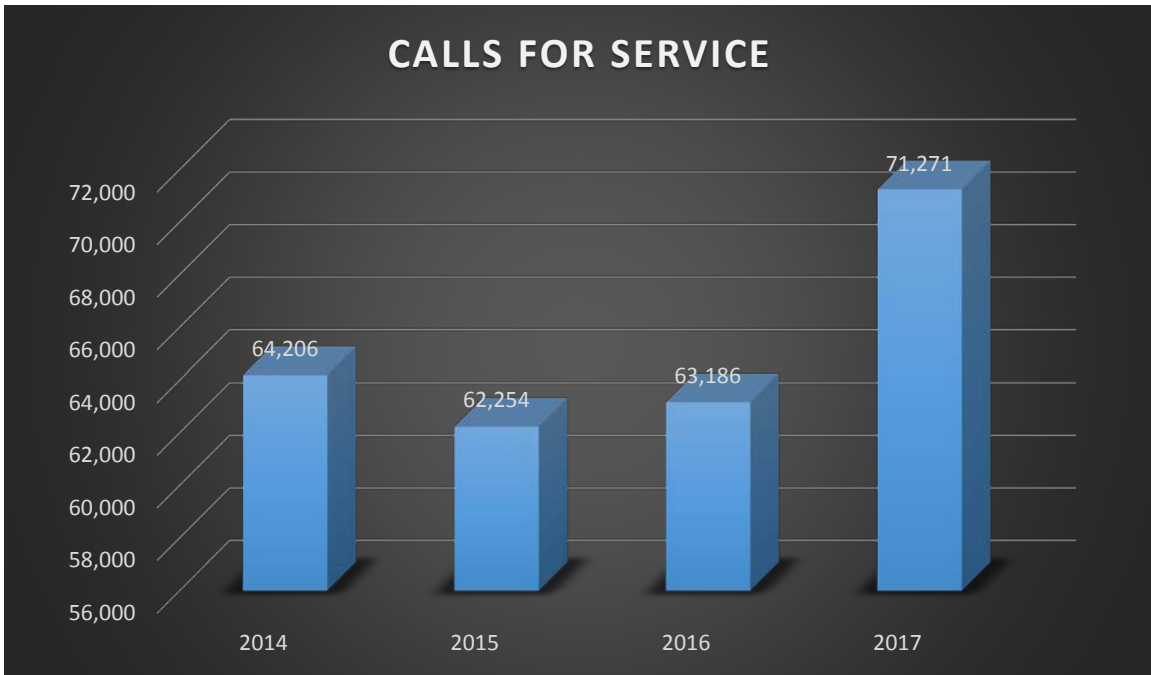
OPERATIONS BUREAU

PATROL DIVISION



As the backbone of the police department, the Patrol Division is divided into four rotating platoons. These four platoons are responsible for responding to citizens' complaints, handling calls for service, initiating police investigations, and enforcing traffic laws. With additional specialized units supplementing the Patrol Division, the Kingsport Police Department answered 71,271 calls in 2017 compared to 63,186 in 2016. This is an increase of 8,085 calls, or 12.7%. As a result of these calls and investigations, 6,144 adults and juveniles were either arrested or issued a misdemeanor citation in lieu of arrest.

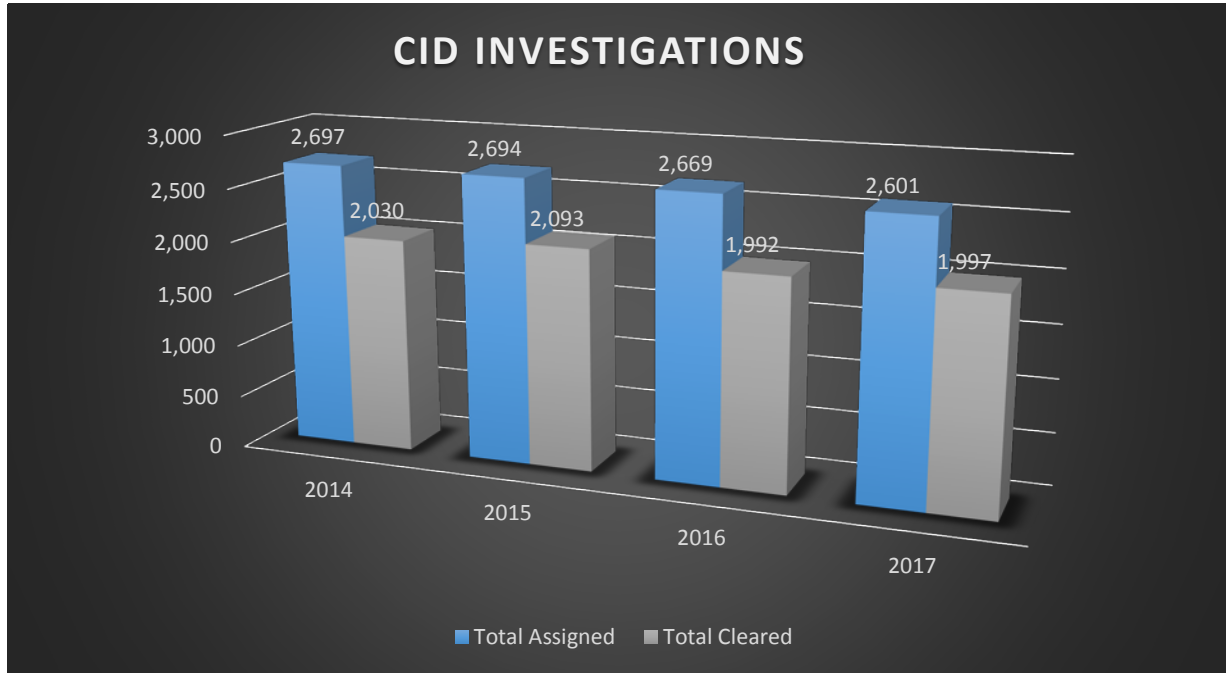
PATROL STATISTICS



*These numbers combine adult and juvenile arrests and are for the total charges placed against the individuals

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

The Criminal Investigation Division (C.I.D.) is responsible for investigating all major crimes in Kingsport. The detectives assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division investigated 2,601 cases in 2017. Of these, 1,997 were cleared, for a clearance rate of 77%.



SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

The Kingsport Police Department continues to maintain an excellent working relationship with the Kingsport City Schools. Two officers are dedicated to Dobyns-Bennett High School while John Sevier Middle School and Ross N. Robinson Middle School have one officer assigned to each school. For the year 2017, the SROs at Dobyns-Bennett investigated four hundred and three incidents, while the SRO at John Sevier investigated fifty three incidents and the SRO at Robinson investigated eight incidents respectively.

Kingsport Police Department Patrol Officers conducted 2,516 school “walk-thrus” at all city schools in 2017, to include the Palmer Center and St. Dominic Catholic School. This averages out to be approximately 14 school walk-thrus performed per school day.



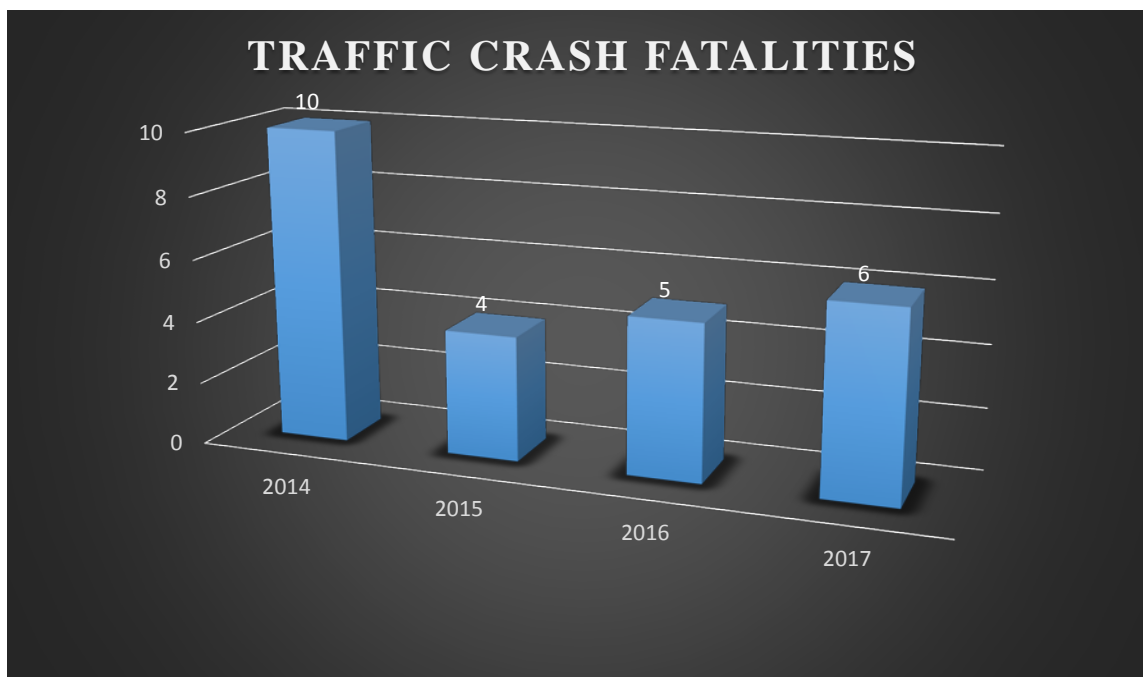
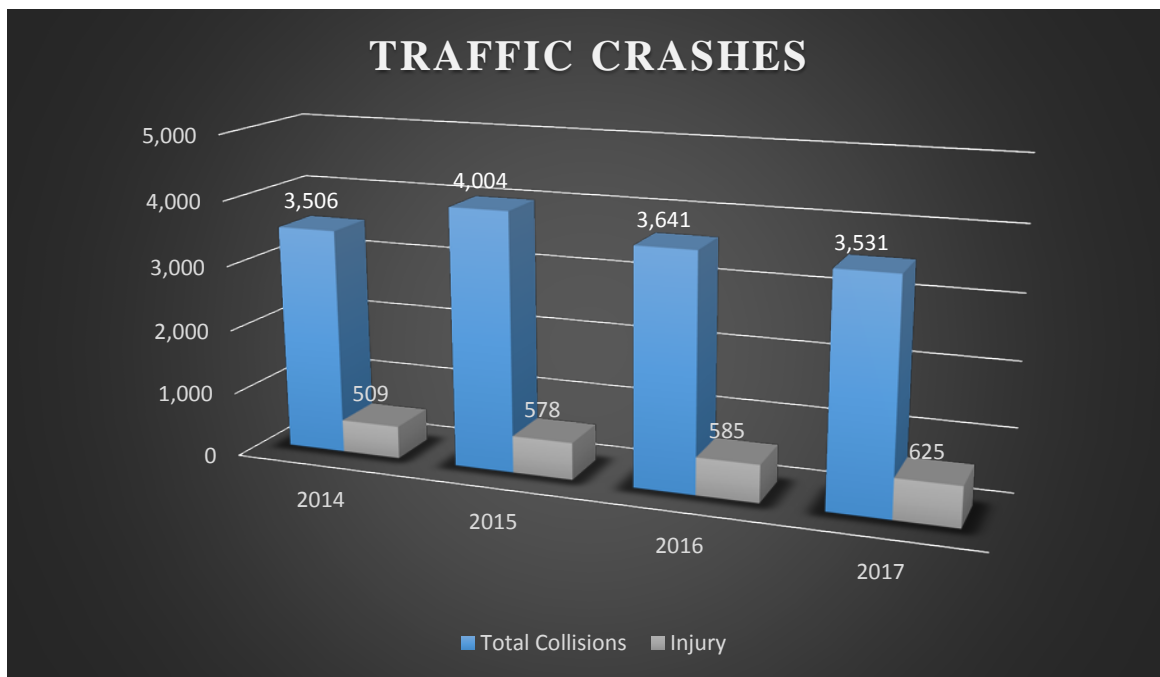
TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT UNIT

There were 3,531 traffic crashes investigated by members of the Traffic Unit and Patrol Division in 2017. Of those crashes, there were (6) six fatal crashes, resulting in the deaths of (6) six people, and 625 personal injury crashes that resulted in the injury or potential injury to 938 occupants or pedestrians. The total number of crashes decreased compared to 2016, while personal injury crashes and fatal crashes increased ever so slightly. One of the most common ways the Kingsport Police Department attempts to reduce traffic crashes is through diligent traffic enforcement and D.U.I. and seatbelt checkpoints. There were 15,941 citations issued in 2017 (this number includes violations of city ordinance as well as state law), with 42% of those being warning citations. Members of the department participated in one D.U.I. checkpoint, Hands Across the Border, and conducted four Seatbelt checkpoints in 2017. Additionally, as part of a Tennessee Highway Safety Office Grant, officers of the department conducted seventy eight saturation patrols on designated roadways within the city.

The focus of these saturation patrols is traffic safety and the reduction of crashes and fatalities through traffic law enforcement.



*2014, 2015 & 2016 figures include minor collisions where damage was \$400 or less



DIRECTED PATROL

The Directed Patrol Unit is comprised of a group of officers that are utilized to target what the police department considers “hot spots” of criminal activity. Members of this unit handle everything from juvenile vandalism to serious drug complaints. The Directed Patrol Unit also has the ability to answer calls city-wide wherever the greater need exists. Another benefit is being able to spend more time in different communities to address problems and concerns the residents may perceive. In addition, the officer can help them figure out a solution for the problem.



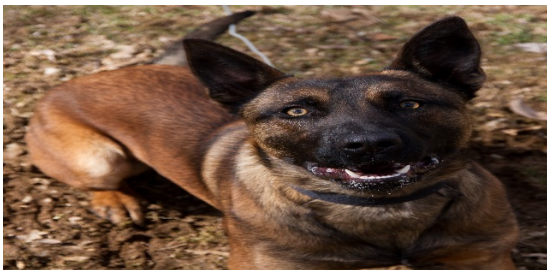
SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS (S.W.A.T.)

Commonly referred to as the “S.W.A.T. team”, thirteen members make up this unit, including one medic. Additionally, there are two highly trained hostage negotiators on 24-hour callout that provide a valuable resource to the team. The S.W.A.T. team is activated only under the most extraordinary of circumstances, where the team’s specialized training, weapons, and tactics can be utilized. The S.W.A.T. team was activated seven times in 2017.



K-9

The Kingsport Police Department utilizes three canines within its Patrol Division. Two of the canines are Belgian Malinois and one is a German Shepherd/Belgian Malinois mix. Each of the dogs are dual trained, meaning they are used for tracking, building searches, area searches and apprehensions as part of their first job. They may also be used in the detection of narcotics as part of their second job. KPD has also added a single purpose explosives dog, an English Labrador Retriever. This dog was a donation from Bill Creasy, a private citizen. For the year 2017, the K-9 teams were utilized 244 times. (This number dropped due to the loss of our 4th patrol dog team) In 2017, KPD trained a new dog team which started work in May. These dogs are highly motivated and require motivated handlers. During weekly training, these handlers ensure that the dogs are ready for annual competition trials in order to maintain their certifications as well as to stay abreast of changes in law and tactics.



K9 NIM



K9 CHARLEE



K9 REKO

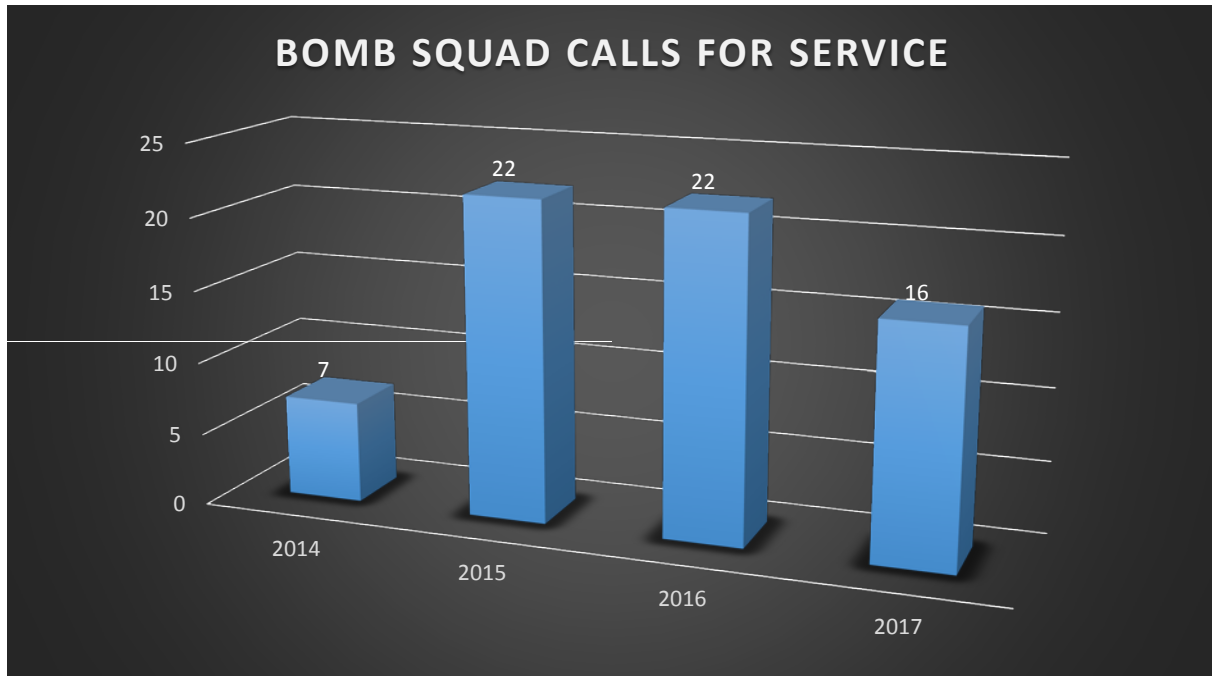


K9 KYLO

BOMB SQUAD

In 2017, the Kingsport Police Department Bomb Squad responded to 16 calls and safely disposed of various types of explosives. Due to current events, the Bomb Squad also responds to calls of suspicious packages. They are often utilized for mutual aid in assisting other jurisdictions prior to major events. Additionally in 2017, the Bomb Squad participated in five security details at public venues and the members taught one class.





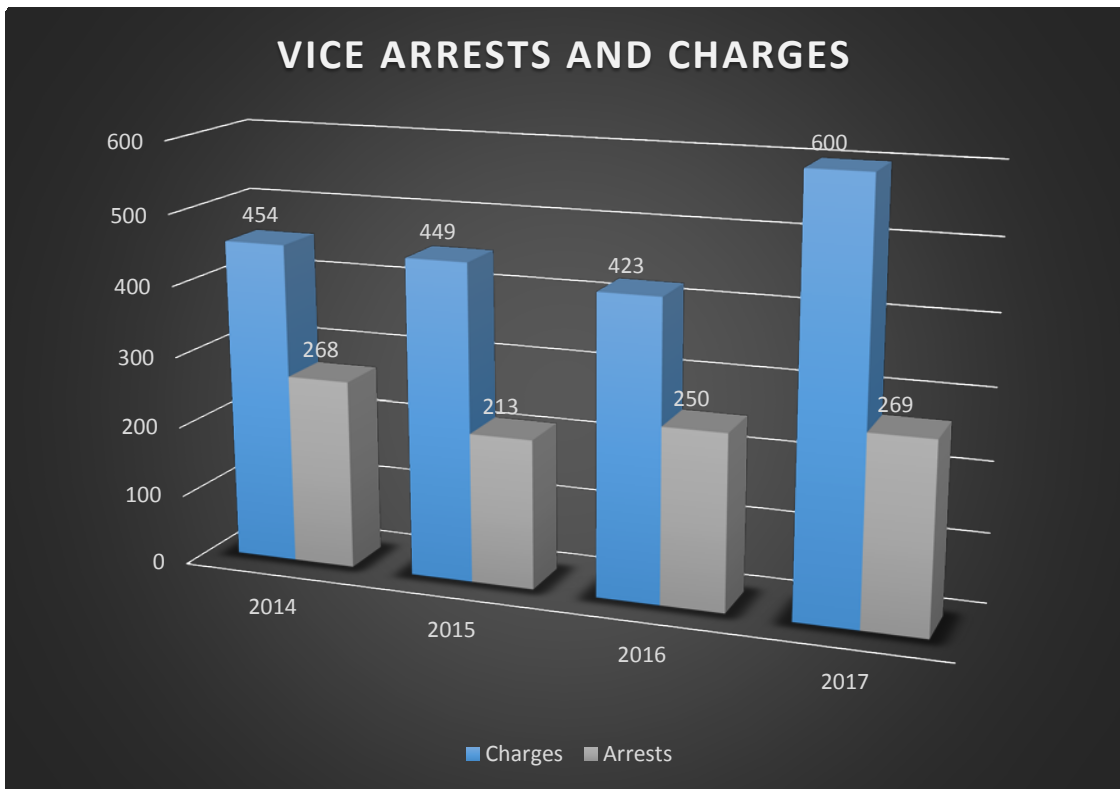
VICE

The VICE unit handles a number of investigations, including illegal drug sales and surveillance, prescription drug fraud, prostitution, underage alcohol sales, and gambling, among others. The VICE unit spent numerous hours this past year involved in a multi-agency investigation into a main drug supplier to the East Tennessee region. The Vice unit maintains an excellent working relationship with neighboring agencies, the District Attorney's Office, as well as Federal and State agencies, such as ATF, TBI, Homeland Security and the DEA.

In 2017, the Vice unit seized over \$74,000 in currency, 16 vehicles valued at an estimated \$53,000 and 32 weapons were seized. The drugs seized by the VICE unit had an estimated street value of over \$152,000. Additionally, there were 375 felony drug charges and 102 misdemeanor charges made for 2017.

ACTIVITIES

YEAR	2014	2015	2016	2017
PAPERS SERVED	62	23	66	66
DRUG BUYS	98	110	95	87
AGENCY ASSISTS	199	192	251	218
BEER INSPECTIONS	131	92	78	83
BEER APPLICATIONS	29	57	41	59
SEARCH WARRANTS	3	7	12	7



PARKING ENFORCEMENT

The Parking Enforcement Officer, along with our citizen volunteers, issued 1,243 citations for illegal parking. These were issued for violations of the various parking ordinances to include handicapped parking violations.

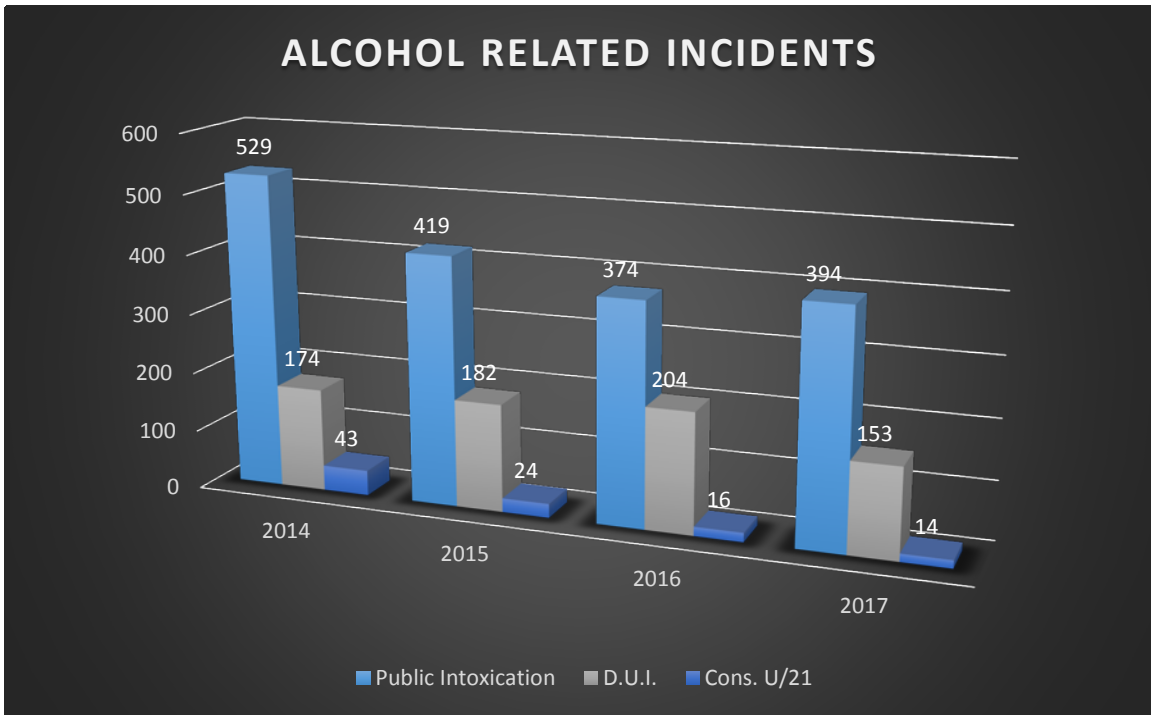
SEARCH AND RESCUE

The department's Search and Rescue team is composed of six members selected from sworn police officers. Team members train monthly in visual tracking, local trail familiarization, and compass-assisted/GPS land navigation. All have attended and completed a TEMA (Tennessee Emergency Management Agency) certified visual man-tracking school. Along with the map, compass, and GPS, the team also utilizes thermal imaging devices and four-wheel drive ATV's to accomplish missions and training. The team also trains with bloodhounds provided by Operations Captain Mike Roark. The Search and Rescue team responds mostly to calls of lost persons, but is also utilized to assist in searching for evidence in fields and wooded areas. The team was activated one time in 2017.

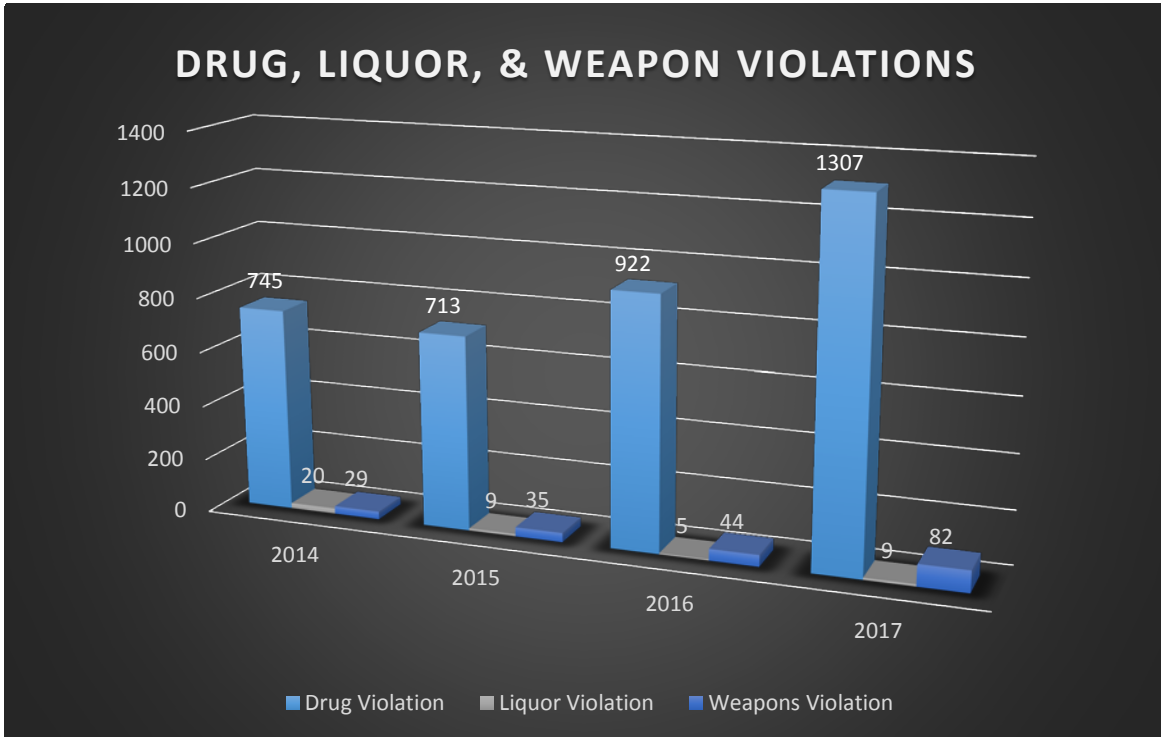
CRIME ANALYSIS

Crime analysis is an important part of detecting current and developing trends in criminal activity. When patterns are detected, the information can be pushed out to the appropriate division or unit for action. This task requires constant monitoring of data and reports as they come in to see if the resources that have been deployed are being effective. This is crucial when blended with the CompStat (Computerized Statistics) program for police supervision. The Crime Analyst is able to provide supervisors the most current information so decisions and adjustments can be made regarding manpower and resources.

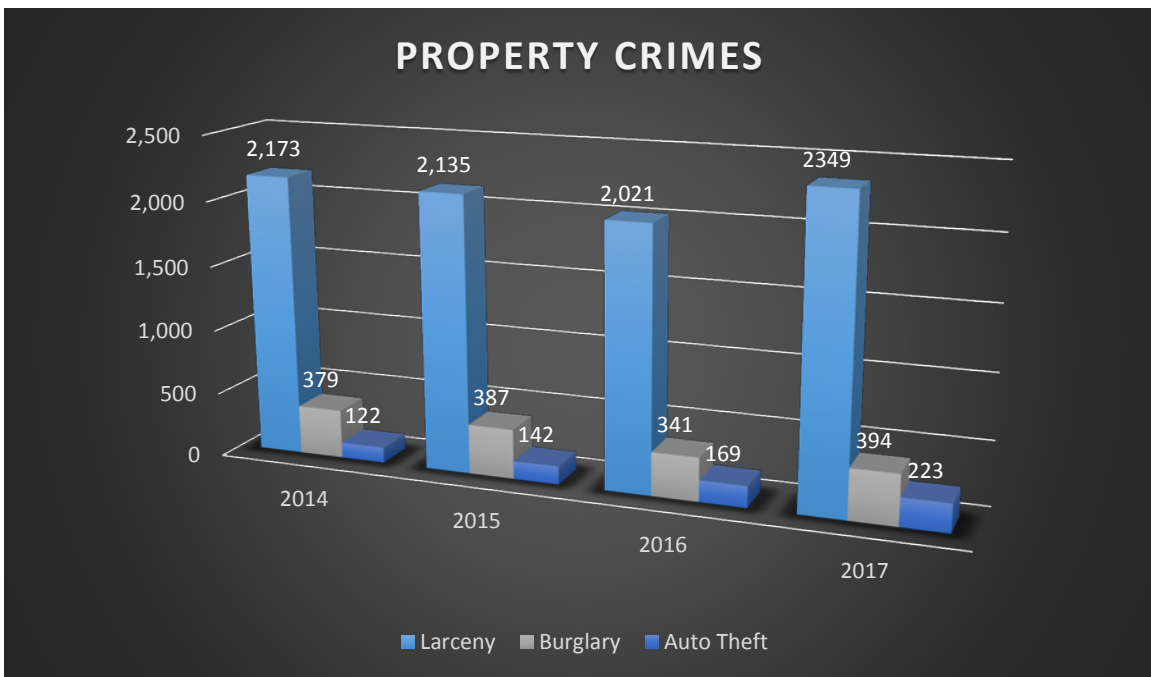
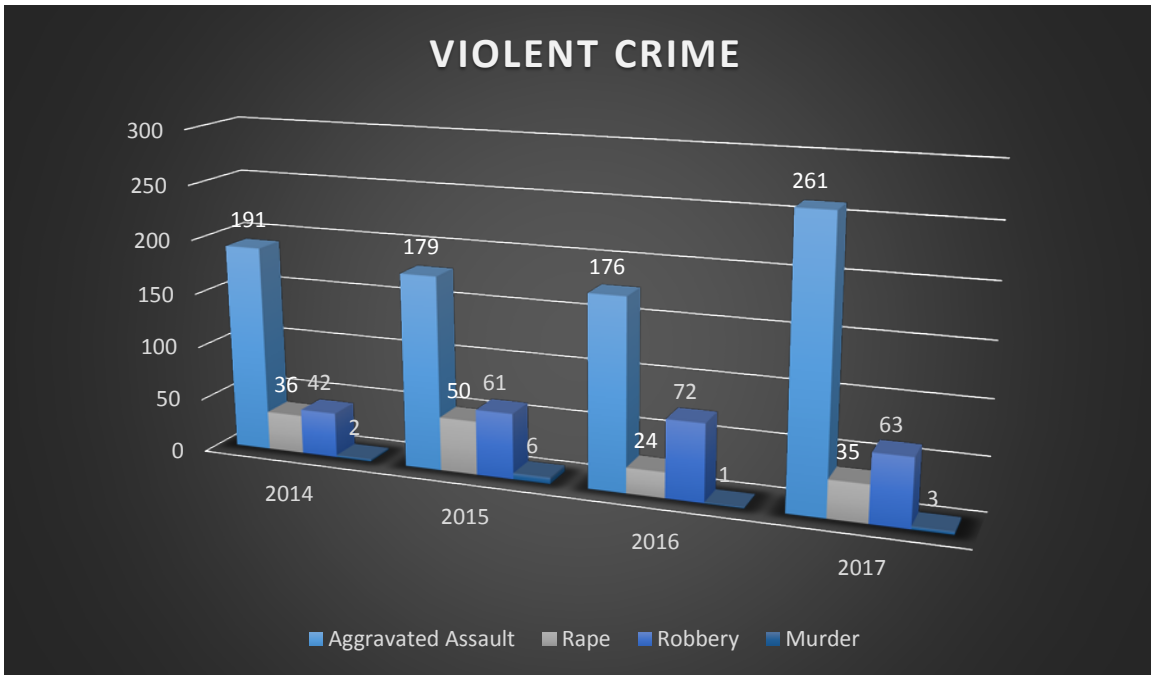
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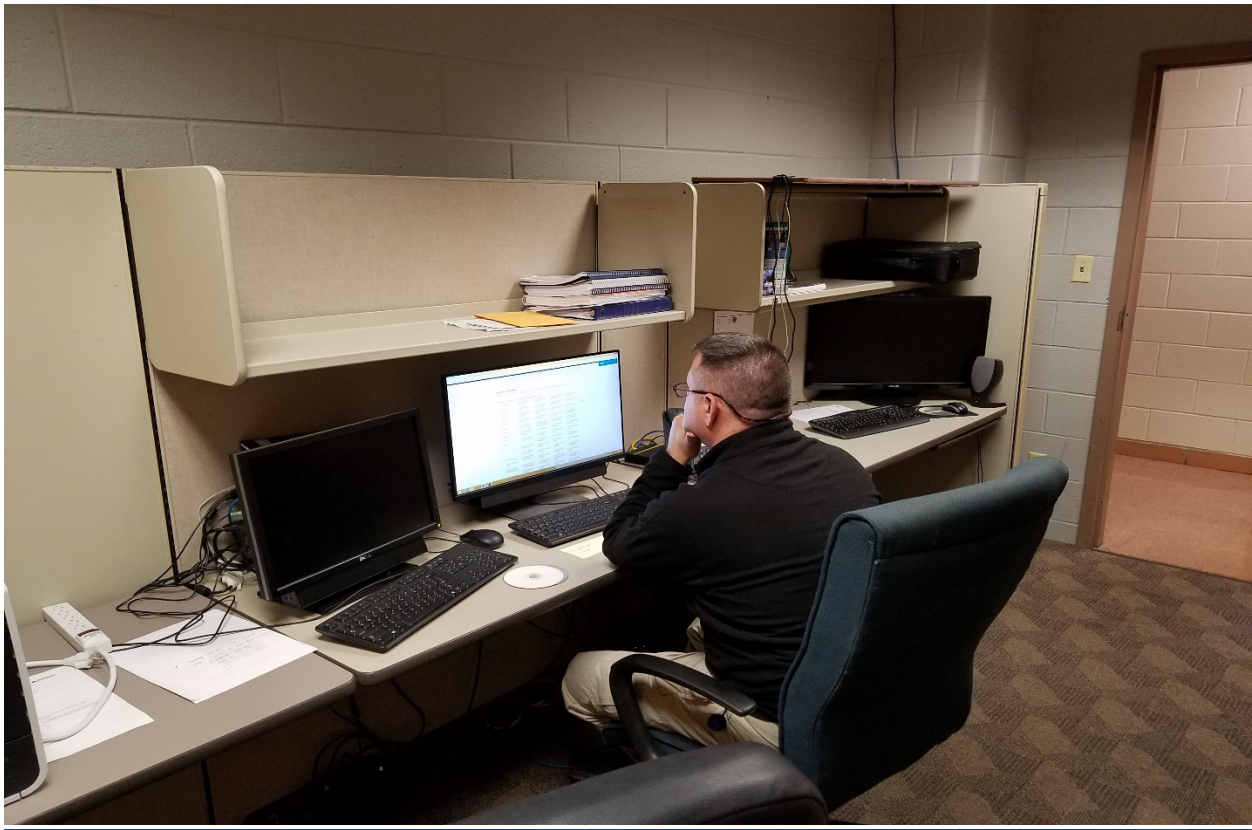
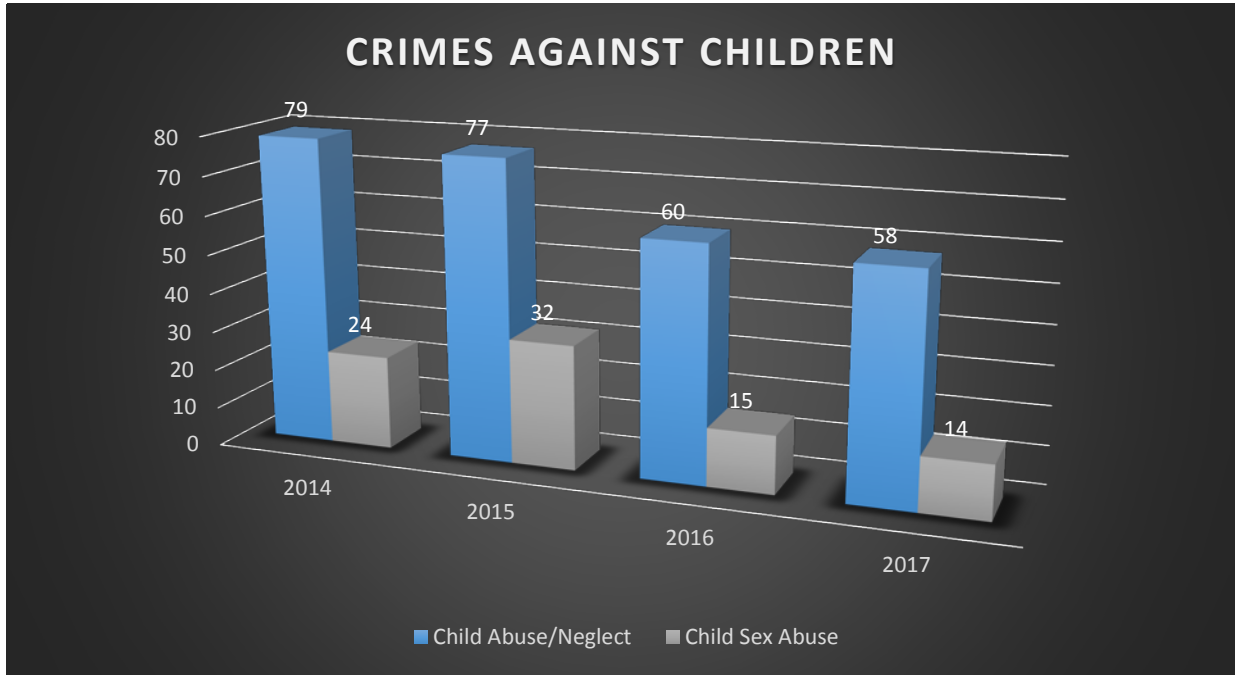
Consumption under 21 figures contain all under 21 related offenses



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ADMINISTRATIVE BUREAU

It is the responsibility of the Administrative Bureau to provide technical support to all components within the organization of the Kingsport Police Department for orderly and efficient day-to-day functions.

CORRECTIONS

The Kingsport City Jail is classified as a Type II facility by the State of Tennessee, meaning that prisoners are held for 72 hours or less. Correctional Officers are responsible for booking and processing persons arrested by police personnel. Once the prisoner is brought into the jail, the Correctional Officer begins the booking process, which includes a thorough search of the prisoner, securing the prisoner's property, a detailed medical screening, fingerprinting and photographing the prisoner, and securing them in a cell. Once incarcerated, Correctional Officers are responsible for the constant monitoring of the prisoners until they are released or transferred to another holding facility. In 2017, the Kingsport City Jail processed 2,889 physical arrests on 6,285 charges and processed 185 subjects that were issued Misdemeanor Citations. Jail staff also served over 3,000 meals to prisoners that were incarcerated in our jail. The Kingsport City Jail is a state certified holding facility, falling under the rules and regulations of the Tennessee Corrections Institute. Our jail is inspected annually by a Detention Facilities Specialist from the Tennessee Corrections Institute, ensuring that our facility and staff are meeting the criteria mandated by the state.

RECORDS DIVISION

In addition to personnel in the Records Division being the first interaction many citizens have at the police department, this division is also the central repository

for nearly all police department generated paperwork. This includes handwritten handicap parking citations as well as closed major crime investigations. The Records Division is staffed by three full-time Records Clerks, one part-time Records Clerk, one full-time Court Clerk, and one full-time Receptionist. These clerks continue to ensure reporting accuracy of TIBRS data via validation checks of electronic reports submitted by officers. Additionally, they collect fines for city ordinance and Red Light Camera violations, fulfill citizen's requests for police reports, track all court subpoenas for departmental personnel, and assist patrol officers and detectives when requested.

TIBRS REPORTING

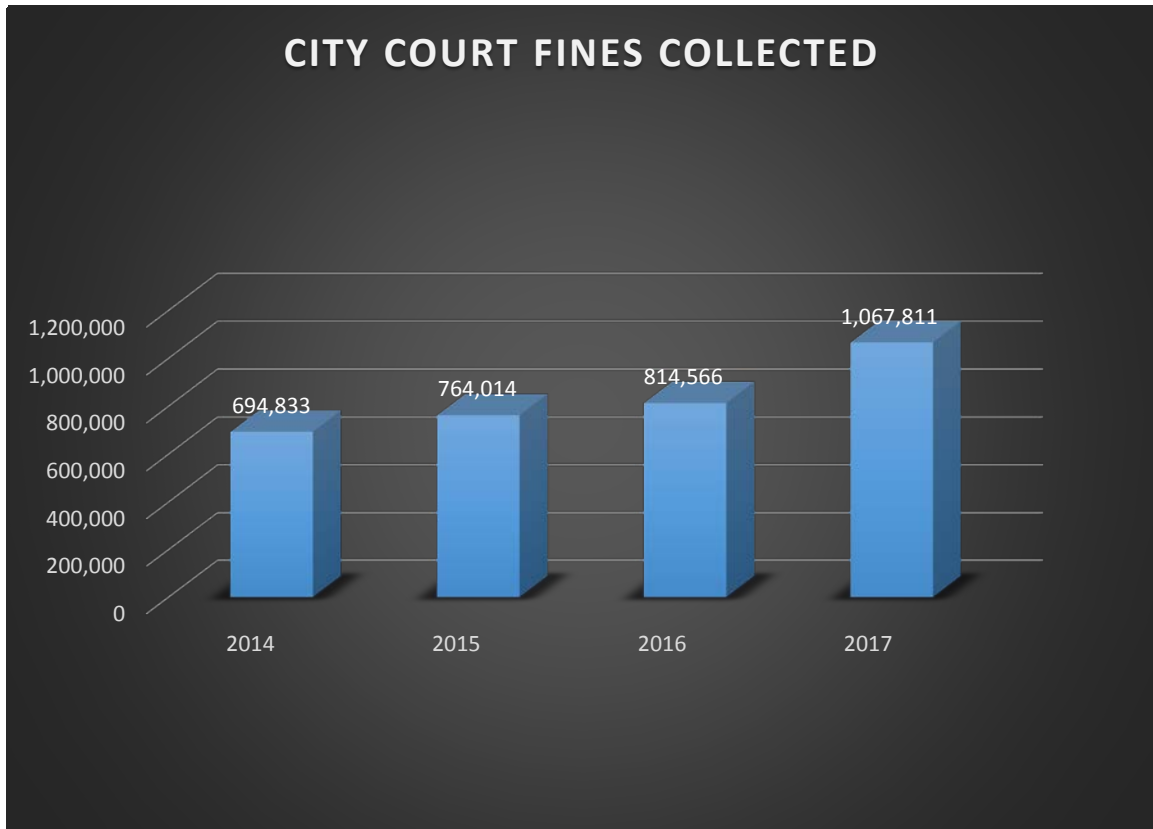
The Kingsport Police Department reported 7,664 Group A offenses to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation in 2017, which is 1,262 more than 2016 (6,402). In 2017, 3,694 cases were cleared, resulting in a 48% clearance rate that remains consistent with the clearance rate of 2016.

For additional information on crime statistics, contact the T.B.I. at

www.tennesseecrimeonline.com

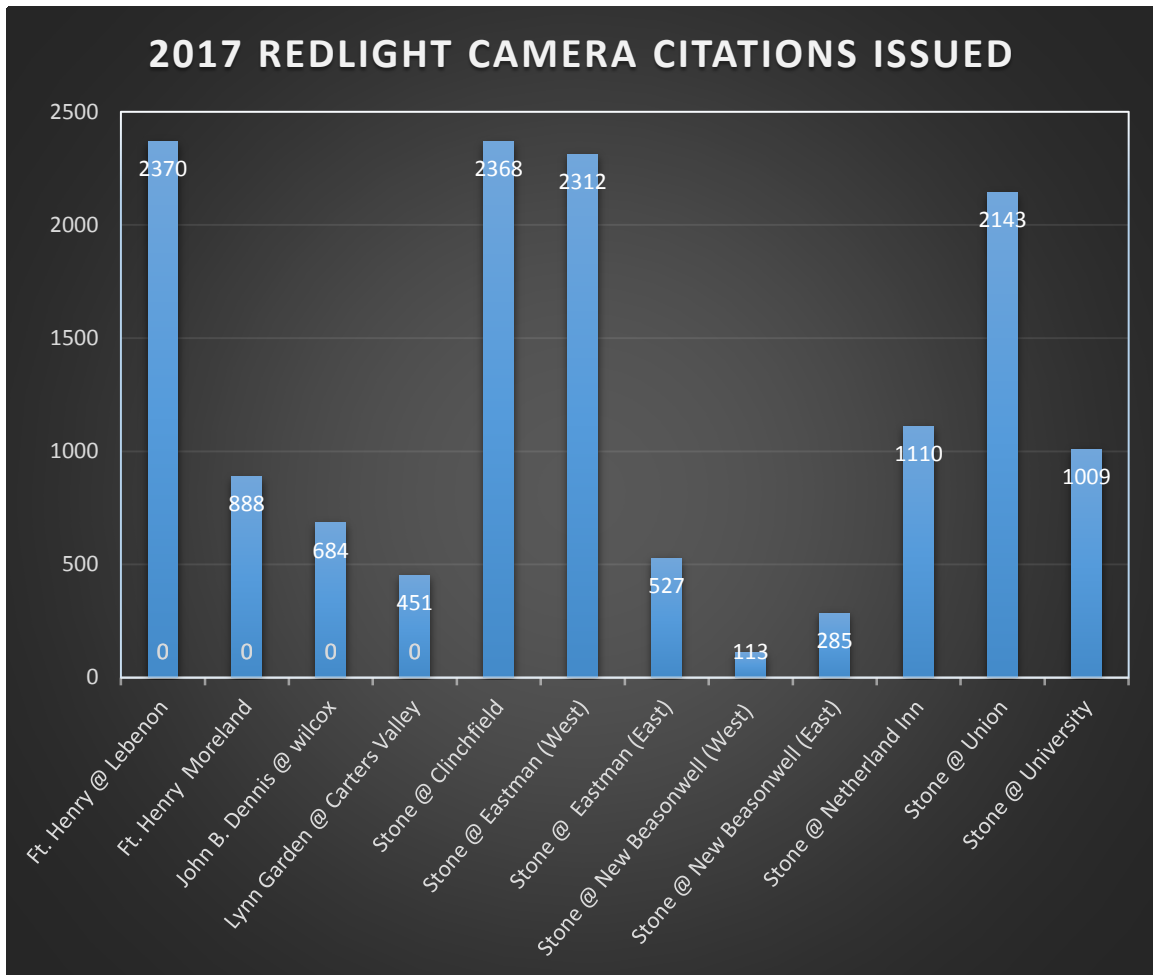
CITY COURT COLLECTIONS

For 2017, the City Court clerks collected a total of \$1,067,811.33. These monies were paid to satisfy various traffic fines, Redflex camera enforcement citations, parking fines, and code enforcement fines.



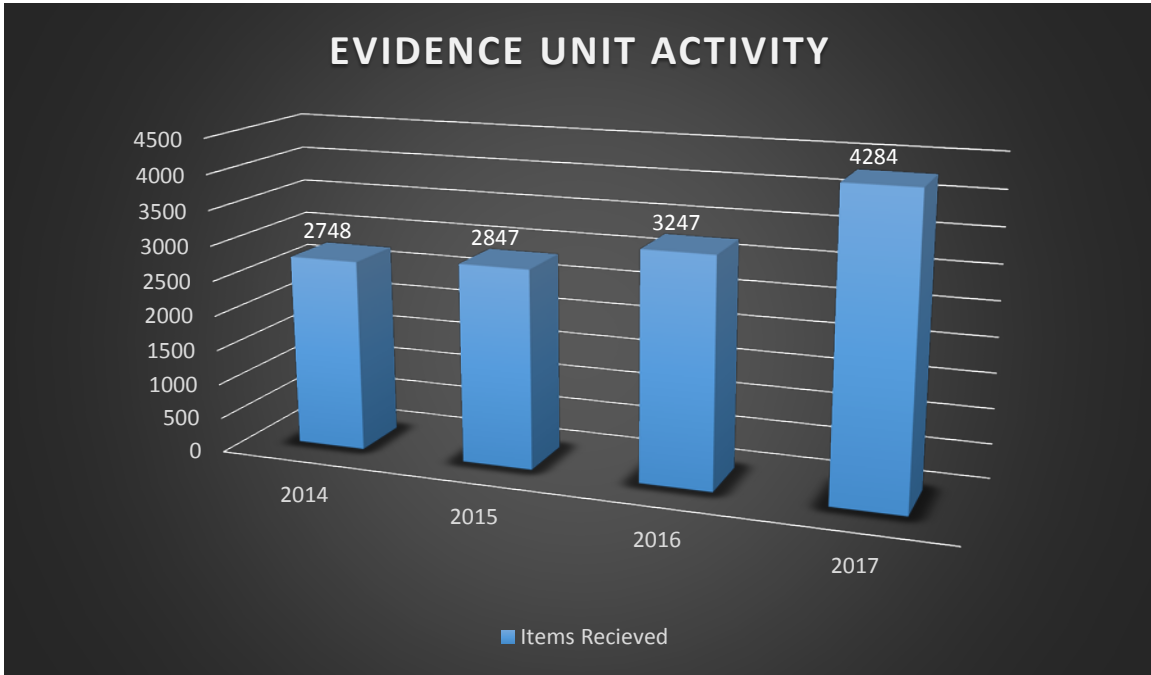
RED LIGHT TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM

The Kingsport Police Department continues to utilize our Red Light Traffic Enforcement System to capture violations at various intersections across the city. The Red Light Traffic Enforcement System is located at twelve intersections where past data has shown a trend of serious crashes. For the year 2017, red light cameras captured 24,581 potential violations. However, factors such as license plate obstruction, sun glare, weather, or the issuing state tag not being identified, eliminated 10,321 citations from consideration. The result was that 14,260 citations were issued to motorists for violations.



EVIDENCE, PROPERTY, AND STORAGE UNIT

The Evidence/Property Unit is responsible for all items and property that come into the possession of the Kingsport Police Department. The numbers charted below represent items submitted by officers of the Kingsport Police Department.



PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS UNIT

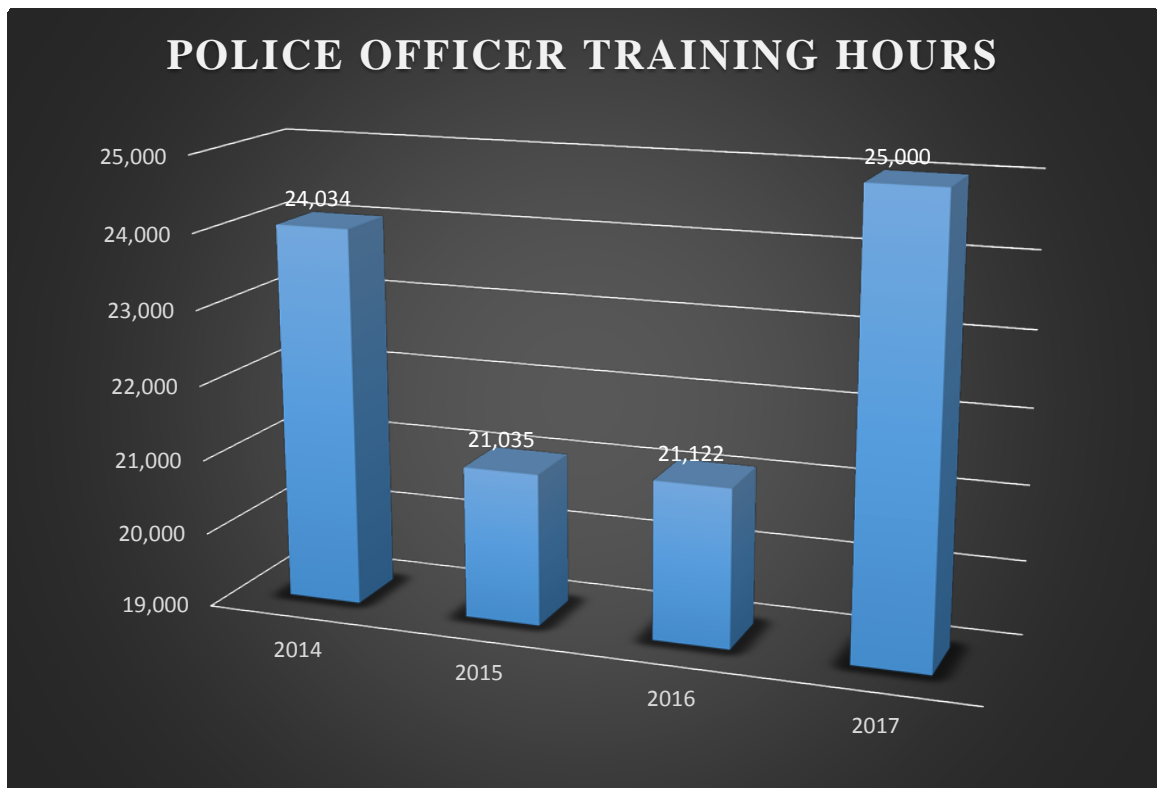
The Kingsport Police Department Professional Standards Unit is an integrated unit that encompasses internal affairs investigations, background investigations, accreditation, training, community relations and recruitment. Each element of the Professional Standards Unit works toward the common goal of maintaining a high level of professionalism within the Kingsport Police Department that reflects on the community it serves.

- During 2017, the Kingsport Police Department Professional Standards Unit conducted (6) six Internal Affairs Investigations. (1) One investigation was founded and (5) investigations were unfounded. The Professional Standards Unit also conducted (29) twenty-nine employment background investigations during 2017.
- The Kingsport Police Department completed a three year re-accreditation cycle in December of 2016 and was meritoriously reaccredited in March of 2017. The Kingsport Police Department has been accredited through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (C.A.L.E.A.) since 1992. The Kingsport Police Department has been awarded re-accreditation in 1997, 2002, 2005, 2008, 2011, 2014 and 2017.
- The training mission of the Professional Standards Unit is one of the most critical functions of the Kingsport Police Department. The primary role of the officers assigned to this duty is to ensure that all personnel receive the training

needed to complete the tasks of their assigned job assignment and/or rank. Officers of the Kingsport Police Department received over 25,000 hours of training during 2017.

- In 2017, there were over two hundred and fifty applicants that applied for the position of police officer. Of that number, over one hundred and fifty applicants participated in the written test. There were forty-one applicants that passed the written test and moved forward to the physical agility portion of the testing. Thirty-six applicants passed the physical agility testing and moved on to the oral board phase of testing. For the year of 2017, 14 police officers were hired.
- The Kingsport Police Department's Public Information Officer is responsible for maintaining the department's positive image as perceived by the community it serves by effectively building trust and strong working relationships with private businesses and industry, other government entities, citizens, and the media. During 2017, the P.I.O. issued over 200 official news releases that were circulated to traditional media outlets and the general public via e-mail and social media. News releases were disseminated on a variety of issues to include wanted suspects, major arrests, serious motor vehicle collisions, missing persons, significant accomplishments, etc. These news releases resulted in the P.I.O. conducting dozens of interviews throughout the year. The P.I.O. continues to work with

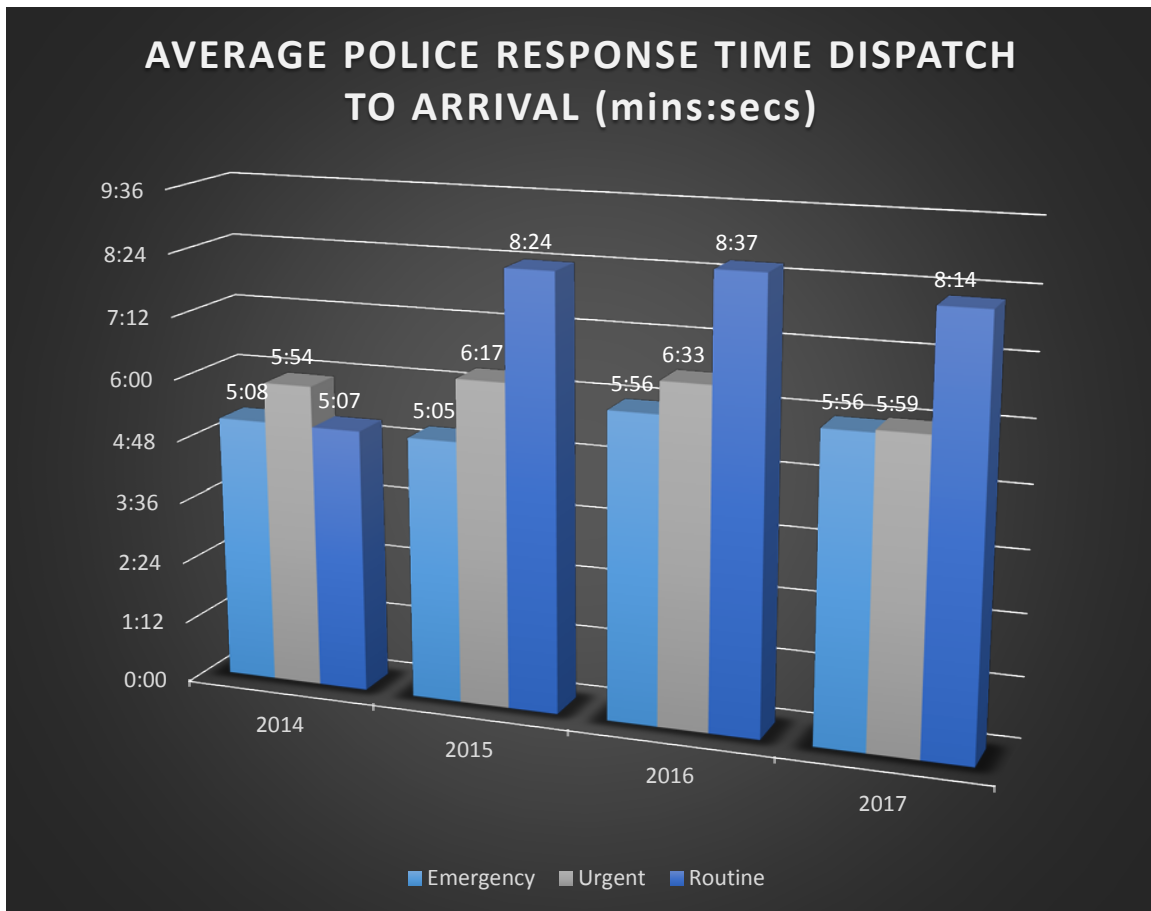
the Operations Bureau to assist the Patrol and Criminal Investigations Divisions with soliciting help from the public in closing unsolved cases. The P.I.O. was also responsible for maintaining the department's website (over 50,000 visitors), blog (274 subscribers), FaceBook page (7,909 fans), Twitter feed (1,276 followers), and YouTube channel (393 subscribers). The P.I.O. also conducted over 100 separate face-to-face public safety education and crime prevention oriented programs reaching thousands of individual citizens. These programs were on a variety of topics to include child safety, scam and identity theft prevention, neighborhood watch, church security, substance abuse prevention, traffic safety, etc.



CENTRAL DISPATCH

In 2017, Kingsport Central Dispatch handled 205,040 phone calls. Of those, 41,275 were 9-1-1, while 163,765 were non-emergency; 71,271 calls were police department related; 8,990 were fire department related; and 12,350 were EMS or KLSC related.

Dispatchers also made 142,365 Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) entries into the system to document their activities. This is an average of 392 entries per day.



VOLUNTEER SERVICES

The Volunteer Services Program continues to contribute to the department through:

1. Handicap Parking Enforcement
2. Administrative Services
3. Traffic Control Services
4. Public Relations Assistance
5. Special Events

During 2017, volunteers logged over 291 hours of work with the department and issued 314 handicap parking violations.

CITIZENS' ACADEMY



The Citizens' Academy has been a successful outreach and educational

program for the police department since 1993. To date, the police department has held 37 academies with a total of 623 graduates. Over the years the graduates of the Citizens' Academy classes have included city officials, including the current City Manager, and BMA members, representatives from the business community and civic groups, members of the clergy, individuals interested in a career in law enforcement, and those members of the public that just want a better understanding of the challenges that Police Officers face on a daily basis.



KINGSPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT
BUDGET 2016/2017

The Kingsport Police Department was approved for a budget of \$11,989,420 for the fiscal year of 2016/ 2017. The monies approved for this budget were divided amongst eight categories. These categories and funds are:

DIVISION	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	% of Change
PATROL	\$5,639,356	\$5,867,200	\$6,098,000	3.78%
ADMINISTRATION	\$1,750,994	\$1,736,200	\$1,788,400	2.91%
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS	\$1,646,521	\$1,636,700	\$1,599,400	-2.33%
CENTRAL DISPATCH	\$1,143,571	\$1,175,800	\$1,194,300	1.55%
TRAINING	\$300,958	\$347,000	\$392,100	1.15%
JAIL	\$384,979	\$435,800	\$479,000	9.02%
COMMUNICATIONS MAINTENANCE	\$272,300	\$399,200	\$426,200	6.34%
TRAFFIC SCHOOL	\$9,722	\$11,600	\$12,020	3.49%
TOTALS	\$11,148,401	\$11,609,500	\$11,989,420	3.17%

SUMMARY OF BUDGETED POSITIONS

<u>Budgeted Position for 16/17</u>	<u>Sworn Position</u>	<u>Non-Sworn Position</u>
Administration	10	20
Jail	1	8
Training	3	0
Criminal Investigation Division	21	1
Patrol Division	85	0
Central Dispatch	1	22
Communication Maintenance	0	2
Totals	121	53

RECOGNITION



Sergeant Dustin Jackson: Medal of Valor and Purple Heart

Officer Scott Reid: Medal of Valor and Purple Heart

Detective Mike Slater: Medal of Valor

Officer Lucas Parker: Medal of Valor

Commander Jason Bellamy: Police Star

Sergeant Kevin Hite: Police Star

Medic Adam Williams: Citizen Commendation Certificate

Retirement

Lieutenant Joe Valentine

Detective Tommy Arnold

CONTACT INFORMATION

ALL CITY EMERGENCIES AND TDD	911
Central Dispatch (Non-Emergency)	246-9111
Central Dispatch-FAX	224-2594
General Police Information	229-9300
Police Administration	229-9344
Police Administration-FAX	224-2786
Police Chief	229-9423
Deputy Chief of Police	229-9469
Commander	229-9437
Watch Commander	229-9438
Criminal Investigation Division	229-9429
Patrol Division	229-9436
Training Division	229-9339
VICE	224-9434
Jail	229-9435
Records/Tickets	229-9427
Records/Tickets-FAX	229-9495
Public Information Officer/Community Relations	229-9433
Communications Manager	229-9358
Communications Maintenance	229-9468

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