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# EWING POLICE DEPARTMENT

## ANNUAL REPORT 2019



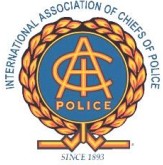
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“An Accredited Law Enforcement Agency”



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## Message from the Chief

Mayor Bert Steinmann,

The Ewing Police Department is pleased to present this 2019 Annual Report. This report documents the activities of the police department over the past year and highlights the accomplishments of our dedicated members, which includes sworn and civilian employees. The men and women of the Ewing Police Department provide our community with professional 24-hour policing services throughout the year.

For the Ewing Police Department, 2019 was a year of challenges that were met with triumph. An example would be the devastating windstorm in July which presented a challenge to not only the Ewing Police Department, but also all Ewing Township emergency services and public works. This challenge was met head on with acts of bravery, compassion, and cooperation. The response to this unfortunate event demonstrated the quality of services we offer to our community.

Internally, the Ewing Police Department went through organizational change in 2019 and continues to go through change as this document was prepared. Retirements for 2019 included Lieutenant Michael Delahanty #125, Police Officer Nicholas Lamson #146 and his K9 partner Nico, as well as Police Officer Michael Pellegrino #128. Officer Lamson was the department's K9 instructor and this role is now filled by Officer Robert "Todd" Jones. Four officers graduated from the Mercer County Police Academy in 2019. They were Officers Alexandra McClister (Brice) #227, Joseph Toth #228, Chelsea Arnold #229, and her brother Stephen Arnold #230. These officers excelled in the academy attesting to the quality of officers hired by the Ewing Police Department. Officer McClister (Brice) was selected as the class speaker, Officer Chelsea Arnold won the class academic award for having the highest-class academic average, Officer Stephen Arnold won firearms award for having the highest shooting score in the class, and Officer Toth won the Police Training Commission's Merit Award. In March of 2019 we hired five new officers to the department. Those officers were Officers Sean Cruz #231, Nicholas Jones #232, Thomas Piraino #233, David Hartman #234, and Shane Miller #235. The department ended the year with eighty-three sworn officers; however, several retirements are expected in 2020 as well. The Fall of 2019 continued with changes in the Ewing Police Department as the first two female detectives in the department's history were assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau. These assignments continue the department's goal of diversifying our workforce.

Despite the challenges and change that faced the department in 2019, we remain committed to providing the highest quality police services to our community. In the following pages of this report, you will find numerous examples of this service. In closing, I would like to recognize Captain Al Rhodes for gathering the data in this document and presenting it in a professional, easily readable fashion. Thank you.

*John P. Stemler III*  
Chief of Police

## Accreditation



An accreditation program has long been recognized as a means of maintaining the highest standards of professionalism. Accreditation is the certification by an independent reviewing authority that an entity has met specific requirements and prescribed standards. Schools, universities, and hospitals are some of the most well-known organizations that are required to maintain accreditation. Law enforcement agencies in New Jersey can now attain accredited status through the NJSACOP Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission. Accreditation is a progressive and time proven way of helping law enforcement agencies calculate and improve their overall performances. Participating agencies conduct a thorough self analysis to determine how existing operations can be adapted to meet these objectives.

When the procedures are in place, a team of trained assessors verifies that applicable standards have been successfully implemented. Accreditation status represents a significant professional achievement. Accreditation acknowledges the implementation of policies and procedures that are conceptually sound and operationally effective.

The benefits of accreditation are many and will vary from agency to agency. Accreditation increases the law enforcement agency's ability to prevent and control crime through more effective and efficient delivery of law enforcement services to the community it serves. Accreditation enhances community understanding of the law enforcement agency and its role in the community as well as its goals and objectives. Citizen confidence in the policies and practices of the agency is increased. Accreditation, in conjunction with the philosophy of community policing, commits the agency to a broad range of programs (such as crime prevention) that directly benefit the public. Accreditation creates a forum in which police and citizens work together to control and prevent crime. The partnership will help citizens to understand the challenges that confront law enforcement. Law enforcement will, in turn, receive clear direction from the community about its expectations. Thus, a common set of goals and objectives will be arrived at and implemented.

For the Chief, accreditation increases cooperation and coordination with other law enforcement agencies and other branches of the criminal justice system. The accreditation process requires an in-depth review of every aspect of the agency's organization, management, operations, and administration to include:

- Establishment of agency goals and objectives with provisions for periodic updating;
- Re-evaluation of whether agency resources are being used in accord with agency goals, objectives and mission;
- Re-evaluation of agency policies and procedures, especially as documented in the agency's written directive system;
- Correction of internal deficiencies and inefficiencies before they become public problems;
- The opportunity to reorganize without the appearance of personal attacks.

The accreditation standards provide norms against which agency performance can be measured and monitored over time. Accreditation provides the agency with a continuous flow of Commission

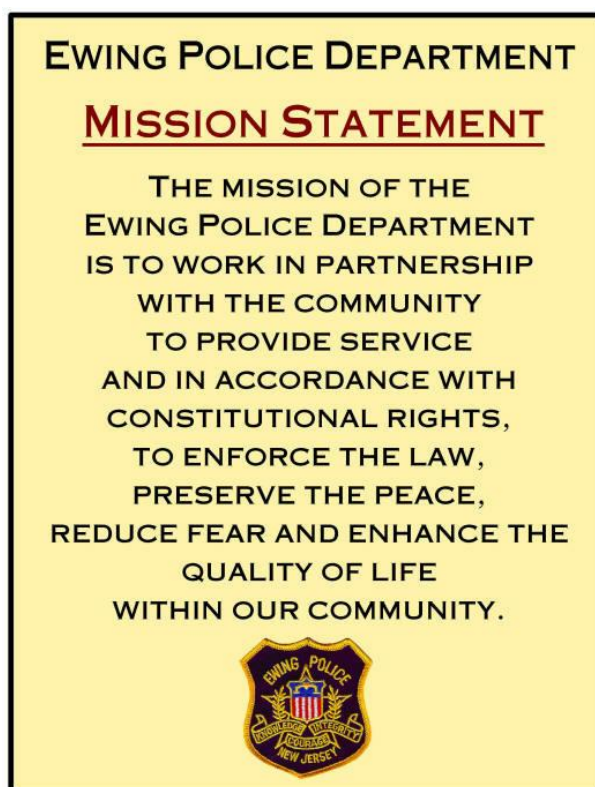
distributed information about exemplary policies, procedures and projects. Accreditation provides objective measures to justify decisions related to budget requests and personnel policies. Accreditation serves as a yardstick to measure the effectiveness of the agency's programs and services. The services provided are defined, and uniformity of service is assured. Accreditation streamlines operations, providing more consistency and more effective deployment of agency manpower.

Accreditation requires that agency policies and procedures are in written form and are available to all agency personnel at all times. Accreditation assures employees that every aspect of the agency's personnel system is in accord with professional standards, and that the system is both fair and equitable. The agency is compelled to operate within specific guidelines. It is accountable to the Commission. The agency must stay in compliance with the standards set forth by the Commission in order to retain its accreditation. The morale of the agency is enhanced by increasing the employees' confidence in the effectiveness and efficiency of their own agency. Operations become more streamlined and consistent.

Accreditation policies address officer safety issues and provide for adequate training and equipment of the officers. Accreditation is a coveted award that symbolizes professionalism, excellence and competence. Employees will take pride in their agency, knowing that it represents the very best in law enforcement.

The Ewing Police Department received initial recognition in June 2018 and is now a recognized accredited law enforcement agency. As of this writing the agency is undergoing the re-accreditation process in 2021.

## Our Vision and Mission Statement



Make the Ewing Police Department a model police organization in respect to:

- Its dedication to the community.
- A supportive employee environment promoting individual career growth.
- Utilization of emerging technologies to efficiently and effectively perform the law enforcement mission.
- To implement department-wide adoption of the Community Oriented Policing philosophy, enabling the delivery of the highest quality service to the community.
- To monitor changing needs within the community.
- Respond to the changing economic, social, technological and legal environment.
- To perform the law enforcement mission in the most economic cost-effective manner.
- Increase the overall professionalism among department personnel that instills confidence from our community.

## Our Values

We, the members of the Ewing Police Department, are committed to providing quality service to the community. We believe each one of us makes the difference between a good organization and an excellent one and agree upon the following organizational values.

### **Professionalism**

We believe all members must strive to ensure their actions are always professional and in the best interest of the community and the department they serve.

### **Honesty**

Honesty is fundamental to effective delivery of law enforcement services and we are committed to uncompromising honesty in all our actions.

### **Integrity**

We recognize that both personal and professional integrity is essential in our profession and we will strive to achieve the highest ethical standards to maintain the public's trust.

### **Loyalty**

We must be loyal to our oath of office, the department as a whole, and all its members.

### **Teamwork**

We recognize teamwork as essential to a successful organization.

### **Pride**

We are proud of the community we serve, the service we provide the public, and proud of the Police Department and its members.

### **Respect**

We pledge to preserve human dignity by caring for citizens we serve, and ourselves.





## Our Department

This area was first settled by European colonists around 1699, it was part of Hopewell Township, and continued under that name until the City of Trenton was established in 1719. From 1719 until 1834, the area was named Trenton Township. On February 22, 1834, the name was changed from Trenton Township to Ewing Township in honor of Charles Ewing, who was posthumously honored for his work as Chief Justice of the New Jersey State Supreme Court from 1824-1832.

In order to better serve the community of Ewing Township, a decision was made to hire a full-time police force. On February 20, 1928 the first Ewing Police Officers were sworn in and reported for duty. They were Chief Harry Prince, William C. Forst, John Elder, and Charles Whitehead. The salary of the chief was \$1,950.00 per year and the Patrolmen ranged from \$1560.00 to \$1820 per year. They were expected to purchase their own guns, uniforms, motorcycles and gasoline.



These men patrolled the large area of the township on motorcycles. There were no radio communications and only one phone to headquarters. If a patrolman was needed somewhere, he was summoned by the man at headquarters turning on a red light placed atop several poles located throughout the township. When the patrolman saw the light, he would call headquarters and find out where his assignment was and would proceed. Between times he would be required to clock in at various call boxes.

The original police station was located at the intersection of Parkside Avenue and Pennington Road; it was hardly able to accommodate the four officers at one time. A second building was taken over and used for a short time, it was located at the entrance to Trenton State College (renamed The College of New Jersey) where the lake now sits. The first full time township building was built in 1934 using Works Project Authority (WPA) funds and labor. It was located on the corner of Pennington Road and Green Lane. Part of that building was the police station. This allowed the police to expand its services and add a few more officers.



At the end of World War II, the township entered the beginning of urbanization. More patrolmen were added at a steady rate to help see to the increased needs of the community. The needs of the police force were also affected by this growth. No longer was it sufficient for the patrol officer to be big and tough, now he had to be involved in counseling and a deeper knowledge of the law.

Chief Calvin Steepy, who was sworn in as Chief of Police in 1966, took on the task of building an effective and well-educated police force. He relied on FBI schooling and methods to instruct his men in the proper application of law enforcement. Now all patrolmen had a vehicle equipped with radios to respond to the calls for help. Traffic Services and Detective Bureaus were made independent of the patrol officers to increase the effectiveness. In 1987 the department formed its Tactical Response Team and Crime Scene Unit.



By 1988, the police force had grown to include over sixty-five officers. Again, growth and changes in society have impacted on the police force. On November 11, 1991, a new municipal building was completed at 2 Jake Garzio Drive, our current location. The official dedication of the building was December 20, 1991. The need for services has steadily increased and been met by the patrol force and special services have been increased to keep up with the demand.

In September of 2015 John P. Stemler III was sworn in as the seventh Chief of The Ewing Police Department. Chief Stemler has made great strides in bolstering the department's ranks to be able to meet the ever-changing needs of the community.





## EWING POLICE DEPARTMENT SWORN PERSONNEL

### Roster by Badge Numbers

127	John	Stemler III	203	Christopher	Messick
130	Karl	Bartkowski	205	Jonathan	Bag
132	William	Wolverton	206	Brittney	Fornarotto
135	Thomas	Williams	207	Mohamed	Omara
138	Patrick	Holt	209	Melvin	Jumper
140	John	Kucker	210	David	Danley
142	David	LaBaw Jr.	211	Corey	Fornarotto
143	Gerald	Davis	212	Luis	Martir
144	Rocco	Maruca	213	Austin	Woolverton
145	Daniel	McGuire	214	Karl	Kelly
150	Frank	Kownacky	215	Christopher	DeAngelo
151	Paul	Digristina	216	David	Massi
152	Irving	Bruno	217	Daniel	Bannister, Jr.
154	Robert	Ranke	218	Matthew	Folis
155	Jeffrey	Jacobs	219	Justin	Quinlan
157	Robert	Litz II	220	Michael	Manfredi
158	Michael	Flynn	221	Phillip	Culotta
159	Robert	Jones	222	Tyler	Finnerty
160	Kevin	Hoarn	223	Matthew	Wherley
161	Larry	Cabell	224	Charles	Wyckoff
162	Ricardo	Sookhu	225	Kyle	McGuire
163	Robert	Birchenough	226	Jennifer	Rivera
165	Nicholas	Muscente	227	Alexandra	McClistler
166	Lalena	Lamson	228	Joseph	Toth III
167	Albert	Rhodes	229	Chelsea	Arnold
171	Andrew	Condrat	230	Stephen	Arnold
172	David	Morris	231	Sean	Cruz
174	Philip	Kanka	232	Nicholas	Jones
175	Glenn	Tettemer	233	Thomas	Piraino
176	Richard	Herbe	234	David	Hartmann
177	Carlos	Santiago	235	Shane	Miller
178	William	Lardieri			
179	Charles	Morgan			
184	Richard	Tramontana			
185	Christopher	Boller			
186	Jeremie	McCall			
187	Matthew	Przemieniecki			
188	Alexander	Maldonado			
189	Danielle	Bethea			
190	Julia	Caldwell			
191	Bobby	Villa			
192	Brad	Steever			
193	Christopher	Russomanno			
194	Edward	Lester			
195	Abdelbasset	Jibbou			
196	Luis	Ruiz Jr.			
197	Nycole	Miller			
198	Kenneth	Vagnozzi			
199	Nicholas	Brower			
200	Tyler	Bender			
201	Justin	Ubry			
202	Caitlin	Grant			

## Civilian Support Personnel

Diane Brady  
Lynn Ervin  
Alissa Adair  
Tim Holt  
Ernie Papp

Holly Oswald  
Charlie Pae  
Michelle Weeks  
Jon Popp  
Kristen Lubina

Rich Smith  
Michael Narducci  
Jackie Gurry  
Jackie Mcfadden  
Laura Strouse

Heather Cannuli  
Shannon Stradling  
Carmen Giovacchini  
Destiny Caraballo

## Department Strength and Balance

### Sworn Personnel

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Total Officers</b>	70	68	72	75	75	83	82	83

### RETIRED 2019

Lt. Michael Delahanty #125  
K9 Officer Nicholas Lamson #146  
Officer Michael Pellegrino #128

### Hired 2019

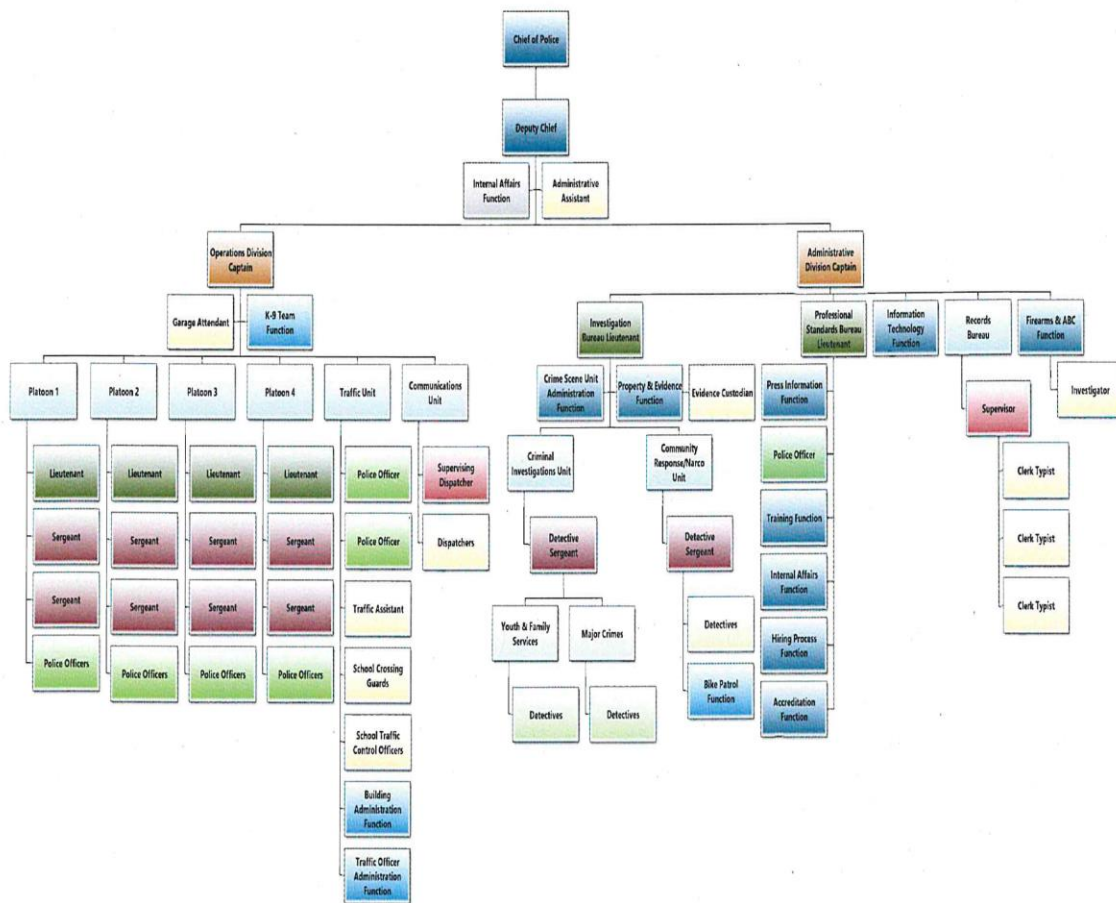
P.O. Sean Cruz #231  
P.O. Nicholas Jones #232  
P.O. Thomas Piraino #233  
P.O. David Hartman #234  
P.O. Shane Miller #235



## Department Organization

The **Organizational Chart** for the Ewing Township Police Department depicts the chain of command and indicates each bureau and supporting units.

*\*The organizational chart depicts changes made as of Jan 1, 2020 to include Deputy Chief.*




**Ewing Police Department**  
**Table of Organization**

### **Office of the Chief**

The Chief oversees the day-to-day operations of the agency. He ensures the department's various subdivisions carry out their assigned operational and administrative duties and functions. The Chief is directly responsible to the Mayor/Public Safety Director for all operations of the police department. Working closely with the Chief as of Jan 1, 2020 is the Deputy Chief. The Deputy Chief reports directly to the Chief and oversees the Administrative and Operations Captains.

### **Patrol Bureau**

The Patrol Bureau is overseen by the Operations Captain. The backbone of the department is Uniformed Patrol. Uniformed Patrol is divided into four platoons. There is one Lieutenant and two Sergeants per platoon. The officers assigned to each platoon are further divided and assigned a zone to patrol within the township that cover rotating 12-hour shifts. The Patrol Bureau is responsible for controlling and preventing crime through regular patrols, answering calls for service, apprehending offenders, enforcing criminal and traffic laws, conducting preliminary investigations, and working with the community to solve neighborhood crime problems. The canine unit (K-9) is part of the Patrol Bureau. The mission of the K-9 unit is to provide trained canine teams to assist in the prevention and detection of crime; the tracking of persons sought by the police and such other duties as may be directed by a department supervisor. Within the bureau is the Traffic Unit. The Traffic Unit investigates accidents, oversees the School Crossing Guards and handles other traffic safety related duties.

### **Detective Bureau**

The Detective Bureau, which is overseen by a Detective Lieutenant, is responsible for the investigation of major felony offenses, select disorderly person offenses, missing persons, unattended deaths, and the processing of forensic evidence. The Bureau consists of a Detective Sergeant and 6 Detectives. Within this bureau there is the Youth and Family Services Unit which encompasses matters involving juveniles. The Property and Evidence Unit is also under the supervision of the Detective Bureau.

### **Community Response /Narcotics Unit**

The Community Response/Narcotics Unit serves dual functions within the department. It is to work hand in hand with the community and its many resources to improve the quality of life in our town while also focusing on street level narcotic sales which is a primary concern for quality of life issues. Community Response/Narcotics is under the command of a Sergeant who reports to the Detective Bureau Lieutenant. Community Response meets with community groups, civic associations and concerned citizens. They listen to their concerns, questions, and comments on the many happenings throughout our town. The unit also is the contact for the Neighborhood Watch Program. The unit is also the liaison between the area colleges and the homes rented by their students throughout our community. They work with both students and faculty from the college institutions to address all "off campus" student housing and student safety issues. The Community Response Unit

runs the Citizens and Youth Academies at the police department. Both programs are extremely valuable when it comes to connecting with the community and giving the public a better understanding of what a police officer's job is like.

### **Support Services Bureau**

The Support Services Bureau is overseen by a Lieutenant and is primarily comprised of civilian support personnel. Within this division are the Records, Communications Center, and Information Technology Units. Communications is comprised of nine dispatchers covering two 12-hour shifts, which provide 24-hour coverage of emergency 911 calls and radio transmissions as well as receiving both emergency and non-emergency calls for service. The unit is charged with operating the Zetron E911 Call Taking System that gives call-takers (dispatchers) total control over a complex network of informational and communication assets and was configured to fit the department's needs.

The Records Bureau is comprised of three civilian clerks. They are responsible for maintaining all official police reports/documents. Both incident and motor vehicle accident reports are now maintained in the department's computerized record keeping system. All discovery requests by law firms are handled by the clerks. The Records Bureau Lieutenant holds the title of Press Information Officer, is responsible for Uniform Crime Reporting and the Extra Work Program in addition to his duties overseeing the Support Services Bureau.

There are two Township Information Technology Civilians who are dedicated to the needs of the department. They provide computer and technology assistance with all of the programs run in the building as well as the vehicles. Support Services reports to the Investigative/Administrative Captain.

### **Professional Standards Bureau**

The Professional Standards Bureau is responsible for Training, Hiring, Accreditation and the Internal Affairs Function for the police department. It is comprised of a Lieutenant and one Detective. The Professional Standards Bureau oversees the operations of the Training/Risk Management of the department. Members of the bureau plan and coordinate all aspects of training for the department to include roll call training (informal) to the Field Training Evaluation Program (post academy) to certification producing schools (formal). They conduct background investigations for new hires, internal affairs investigations of current employees and are the accreditation managers for the department. The Professional Standards Lieutenant reports to the Investigative/Administrative Captain.

## Uniform Crime Report

The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program was conceived in 1929 by the International Association of Chiefs of Police to meet a need for reliable, uniform crime statistics for the nation. In 1930, the FBI was tasked with collecting, publishing, and archiving those statistics. Today, several annual statistical publications, such as the comprehensive *Crime in the United States*, are produced from data provided by nearly 17,000 law enforcement agencies across the United States.

### CRIME INDEX

Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Crime Index Total	732	819	754	567
Crime Rate per 1,000 residents	20.2	22.6	20.9	15.7

### DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

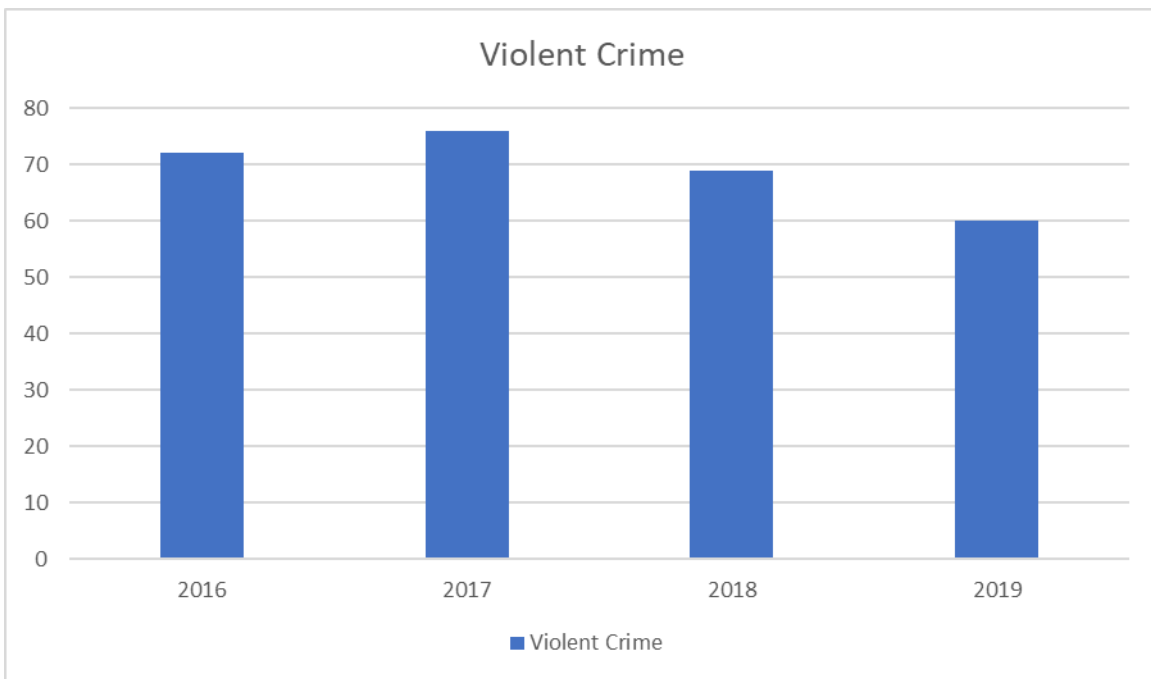
Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Estimated Population	36,252	36,252	36,142	36,142
Area in Square Miles	15.3	15.3	15.3	15.3
Density per Square Miles	2369.4	2369.4	2362.2	2362.2

# VIOLENT CRIMES

**Definition:** Violent crime is composed of four offenses:

- Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter
- Forcible Rape
- Robbery
- Aggravated Assault

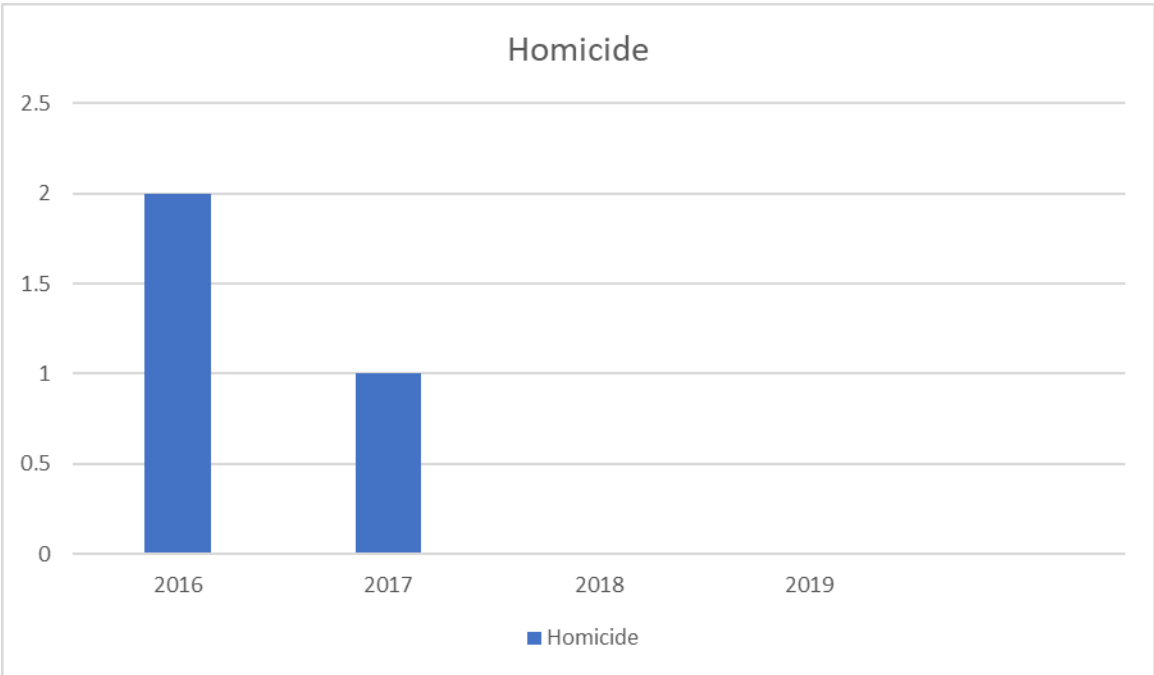
Violent crimes are defined in the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program as those offenses which involve force or threat of force.



Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Violent Crimes	72	76	69	60

# HOMICIDE

**Definition:** The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program defines murder and non negligent manslaughter as the willful (non negligent) killing of one human being by another. The classification of this offense is based solely on police investigation as opposed to the determination of a court, medical examiner, coroner, jury, or other judicial body. The UCR Program does not include the following situations in this offense classification: deaths caused by negligence, suicide, or accident; justifiable homicides; and attempts to murder or assaults to murder, which are scored as aggravated assaults.

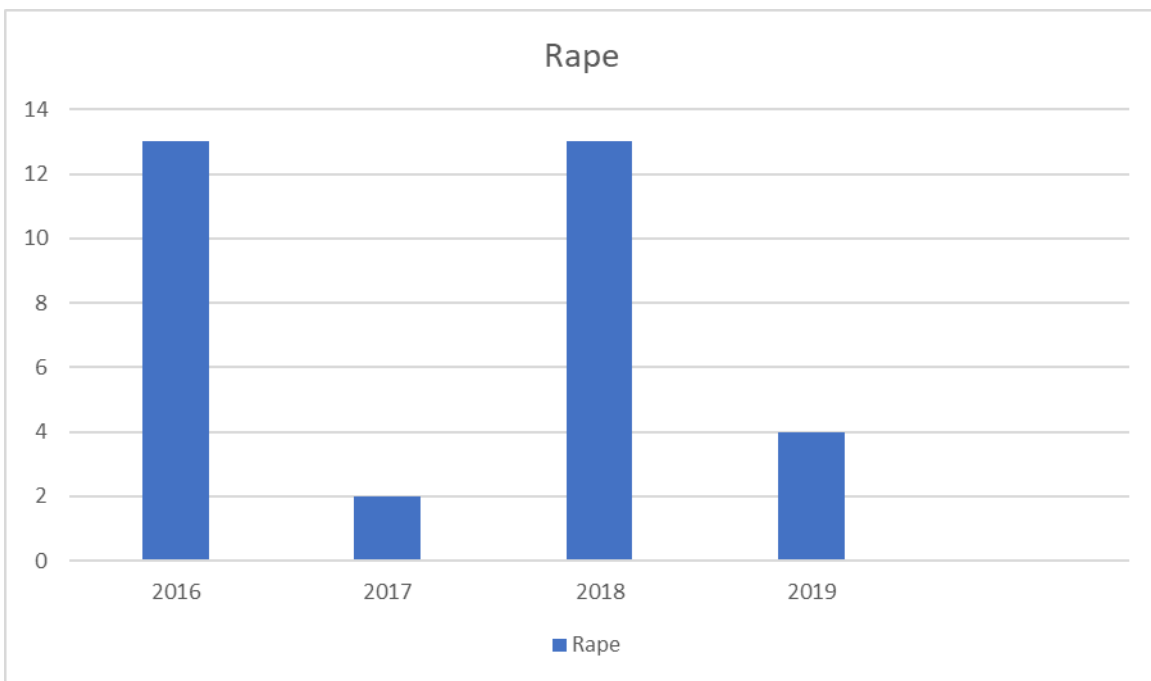


Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Murder	2	1	0	0



# FORCIBLE RAPE

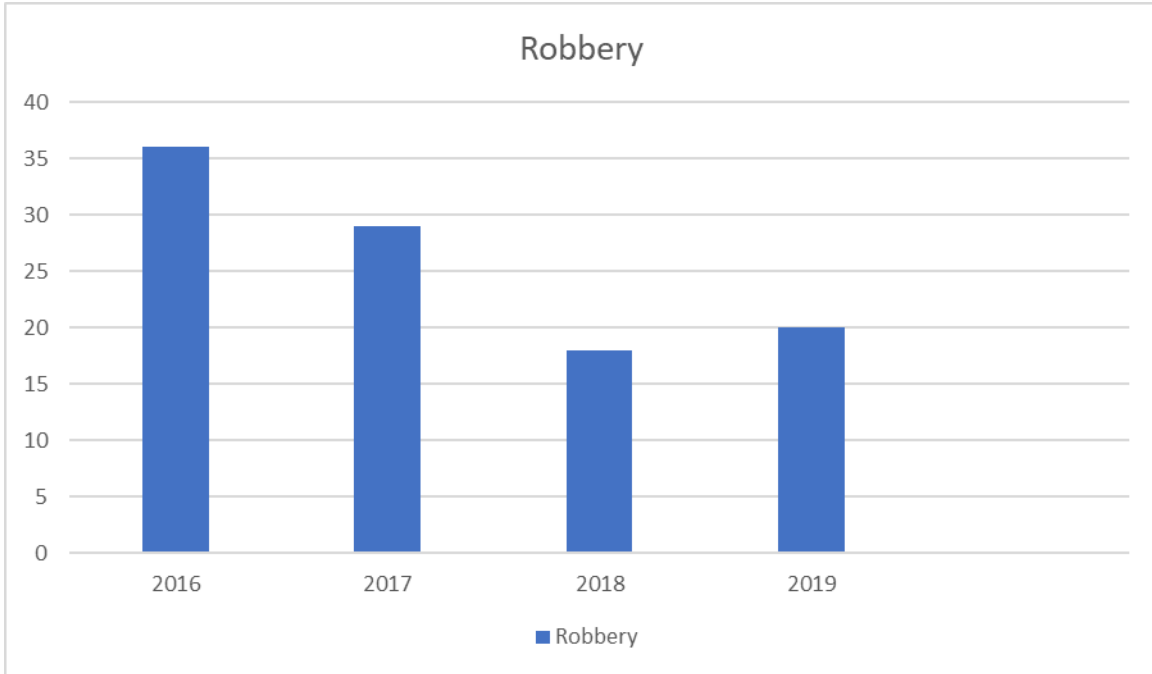
**Definition:** Forcible rape, as defined in the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, is penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim however, statutory rape (without force) and other sex offenses are excluded.



Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Rape	13	2	13	4

# ROBBERY

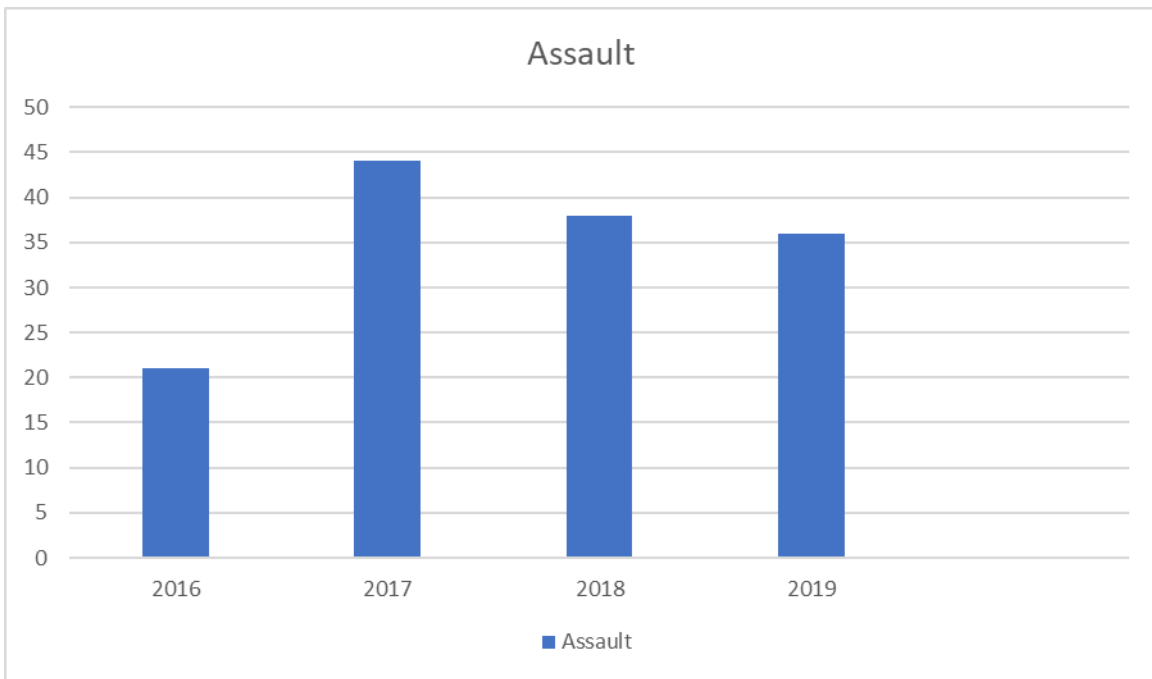
**Definition:** Robbery is the taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.



Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Robbery	36	29	18	20

# ASSAULT

**Definition:** The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program defines aggravated assault as an unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. The Program further specifies that this type of assault is usually accompanied by the use of a weapon or by other means likely to produce death or great bodily harm. Attempted aggravated assault that involves the display of—or threat to use—a gun, knife, or other weapon is included in this crime category because serious personal injury would likely result if the assault were completed. When aggravated assault and larceny-theft occur together, the offense falls under the category of robbery.



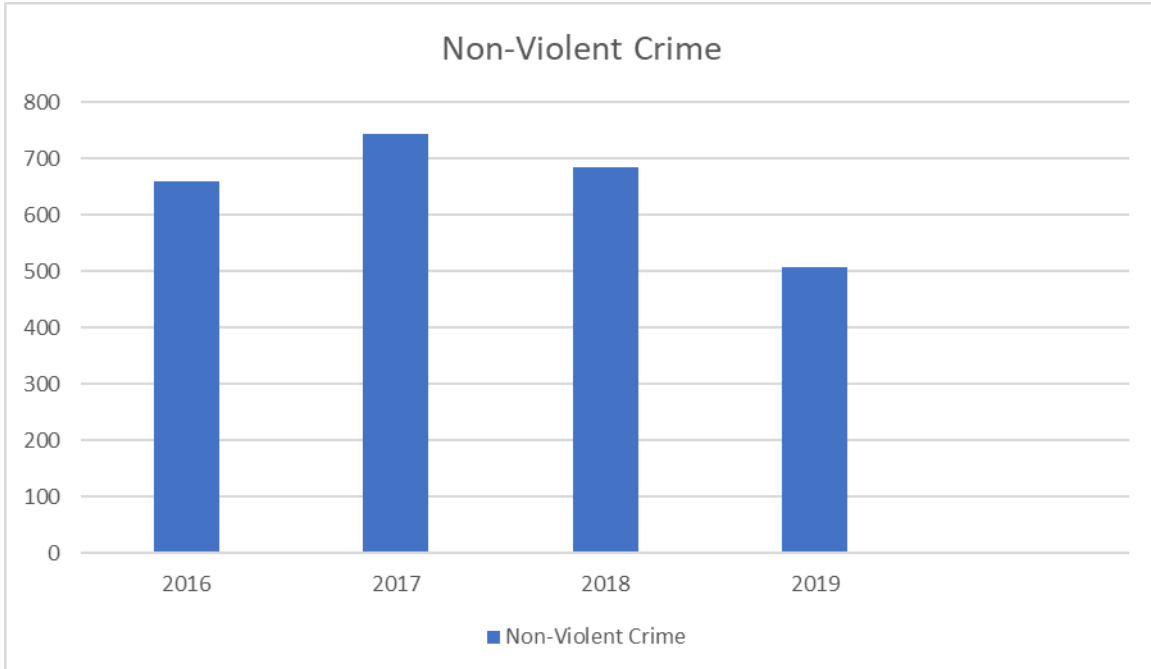
Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Assault	21	44	38	36

## NON-VIOLENT CRIME

**Definition:** In the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, property crimes include the offenses of:

- **Burglary**
- **Larceny-Thefts**
- **Motor Vehicle Theft**
- **Arson**

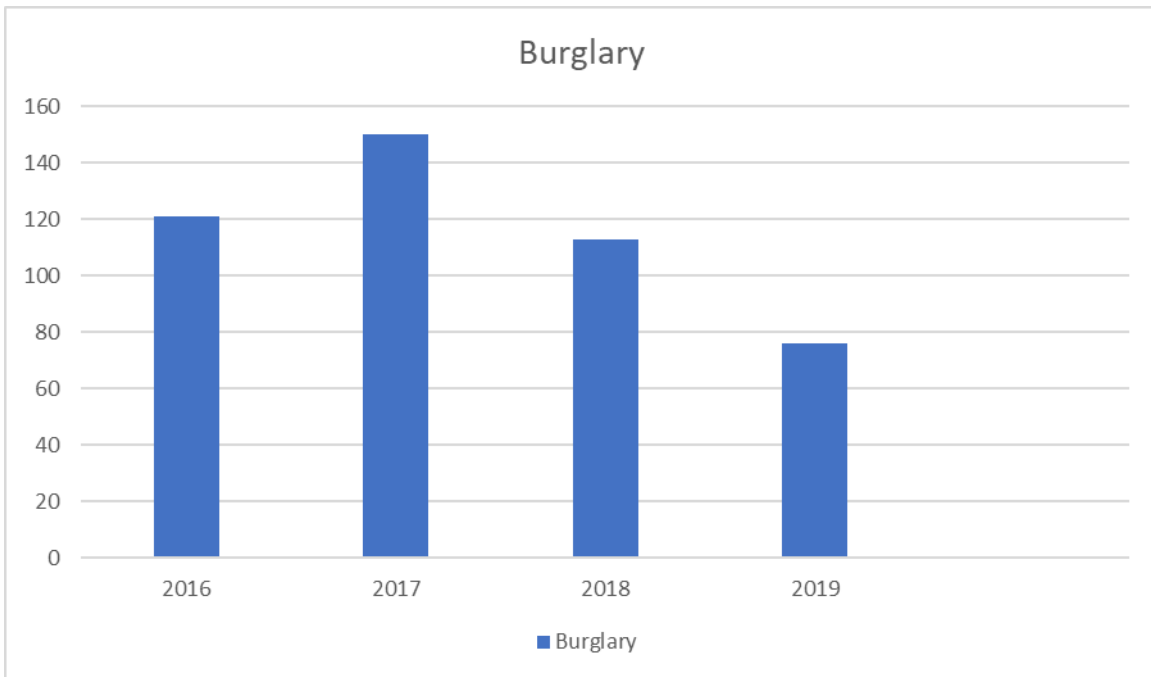
The object of the theft-type offenses is the taking of money or property, but there is no force or threat of force against the victims. The property crime category includes arson because the offense involves the destruction of property, however, arson victims may be subjected to force. Because of limited participation and varying collection procedures by local law enforcement agencies, only limited data are available for arson.



Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Non-Violent Crime	660	743	685	507

# BURGLARY

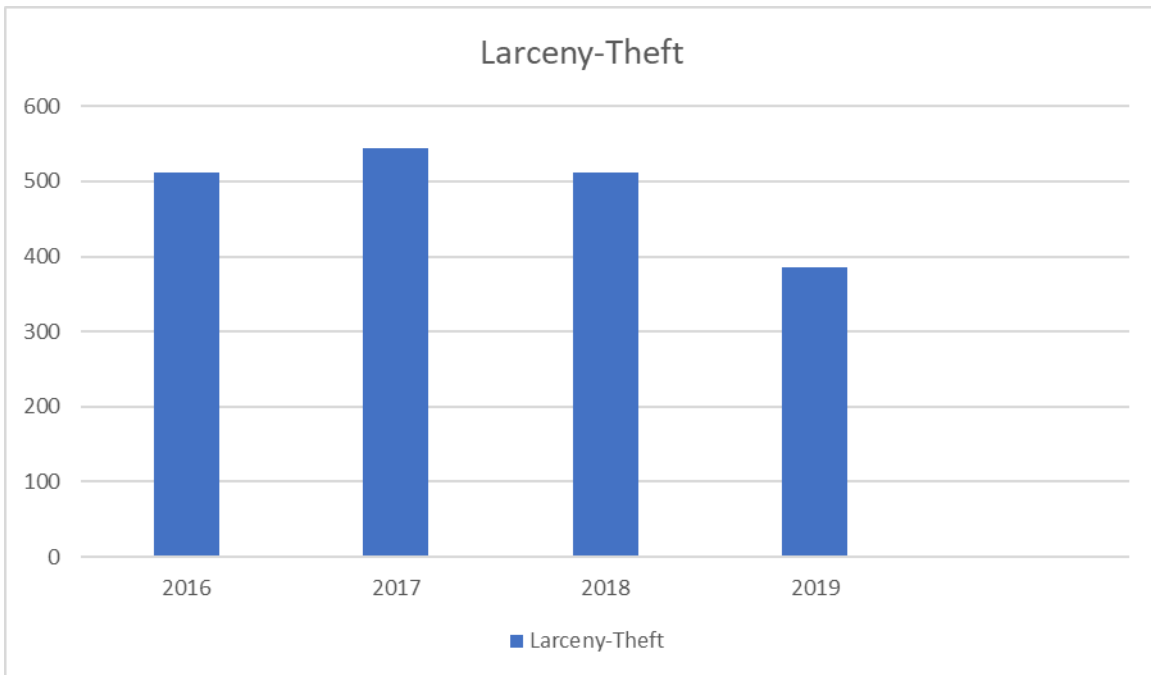
**Definition:** The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program defines burglary as the unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or theft. To classify an offense as a burglary, the use of force to gain entry need not have occurred. The Program has three sub classifications for burglary: forcible entry, unlawful entry where no force is used, and attempted forcible entry. The UCR definition of "structure" includes, for example, apartment, barn, house trailer or houseboat when used as a permanent dwelling, office, railroad car (but not automobile), stable, and vessel (i.e., ship).



Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Burglary	121	150	113	76

## LARCENY - THEFTS

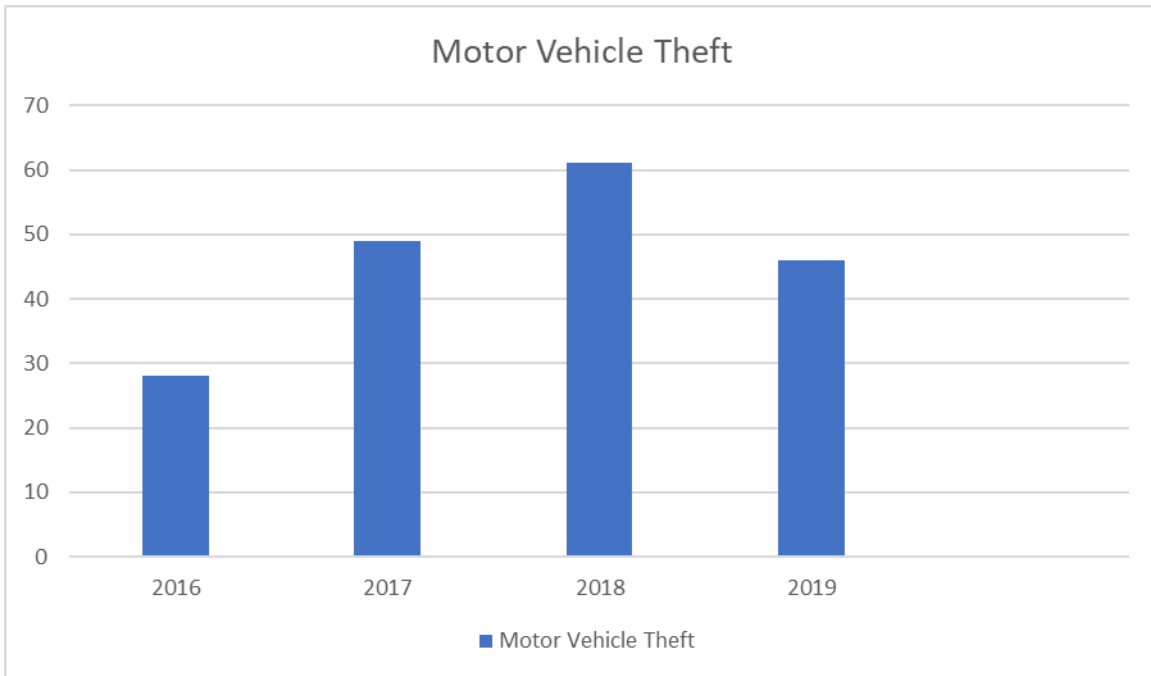
**Definition:** The UCR Program defines larceny-theft as the unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another. Examples are thefts of bicycles, motor vehicle parts and accessories, shoplifting, pocket-picking, or the stealing of any property or article that is not taken by force and violence or by fraud. Attempted larcenies are included. Embezzlement, confidence games, forgery, checks fraud, etc., are excluded.



Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Larceny - Thefts	511	544	511	385

# MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

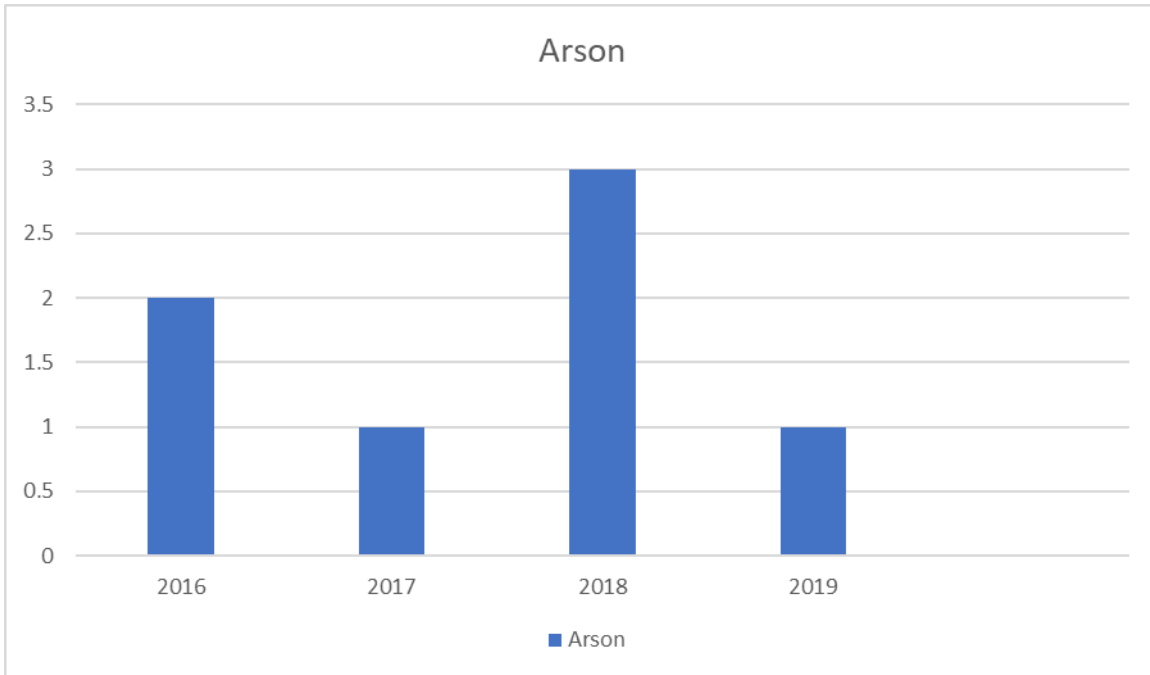
**Definition:** The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program defines motor vehicle theft as the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. In the UCR Program, a motor vehicle is a self-propelled vehicle which runs on land surfaces and not on rails. Examples of motor vehicles include sport utility vehicles, automobiles, trucks, buses, motorcycles, motor scooters, all-terrain vehicles, and snowmobiles. Motor vehicle theft does not include farm equipment, bulldozers, airplanes, construction equipment or watercraft such as motorboats, sailboats, houseboats, or jet skis. The taking of a motor vehicle for temporary use by persons having lawful access is excluded from this definition.



Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Motor Vehicle Theft	28	49	61	46

# ARSON

**Definition:** The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program defines arson as any willful or malicious burning or attempting to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

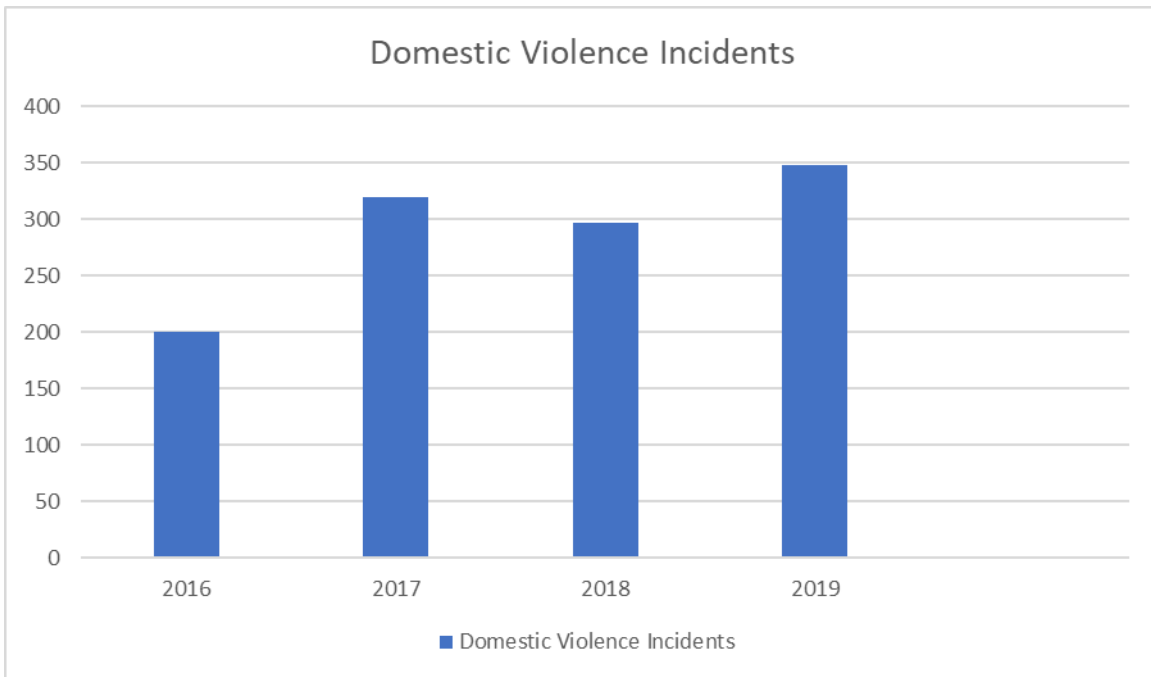


Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Arson	2	1	3	1



# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

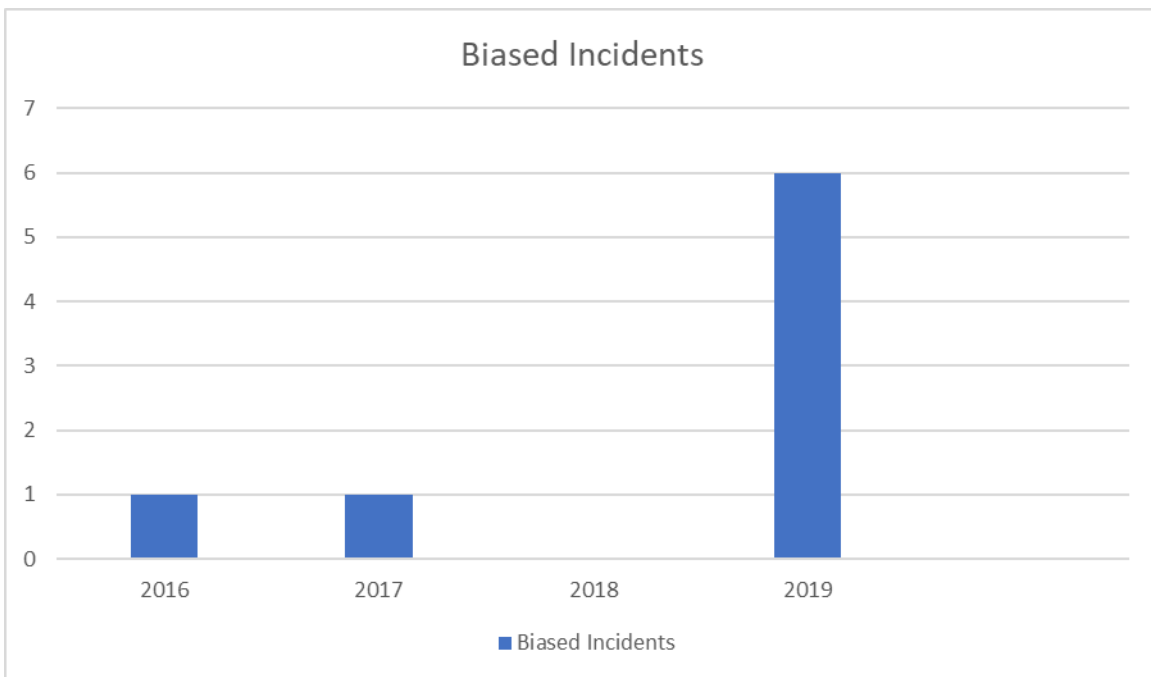
**Definition:** Domestic Violence: the occurrence of one or more of the following criminal offenses upon a person protected under the Prevention of Domestic Violence Act of 1991: Homicide, Assault, Terroristic Threats, Kidnapping, Criminal Restraint, False Imprisonment, Sexual Assault, Criminal Sexual Contact, Lewdness, Criminal Mischief, Burglary, Criminal Trespass, Harassment, and Stalking.



Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Domestic Violence	200	319	297	348

# BIAS INCIDENTS

**Definition:** The FBI defines a bias crime, also known as a hate crime, as a criminal offense committed against a person, property, or society which is motivated, in whole or in part, by the offender's bias against a race, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or ethnicity/national origin.



Ewing	2016	2017	2018	2019
Bias Incidents	1	1	0	6

## 911/Communications Center

The Ewing Police Department Communication Center is the primary answering point for all 911 calls for Police, Fire, or Emergency Medical Services. The Center is staffed at all times with a minimum of two 9-1-1 certified call takers and has the ability to expand up to five total positions. The staff of the center is comprised of 9 certified 9-1-1 dispatcher/call takers. The center also handles all phone calls placed to our main number of 882-1313.

### **Year 2019 Statistics for our 911/Dispatch Center**

Total number of 911 calls received by our department.....	<b>20,466</b>
<u>Total number of telephone calls received on "882-1313".....</u>	<b><u>55,107</u></b>
Total number of incoming 911 and telephone calls handled by our dispatchers....	<b>75,573</b>

The average answer time of a "911" call in 2019 was **3** seconds.  
The average answer time of a "882-1313" call in 2019 was **4** seconds.



Computer technology drives the majority of the systems within the 9-1-1 center including:

*Motorola 500Mhz trunked radio system (digitally encrypted)*

*Zetron - 9-1-1 and administrative phone system*

*Critical Reach Trak System - Amber Alert system*

*Enforsys Computer Aided Dispatch and Records system*

*Info-Cop Mobile Data system*

*Eventide phone and radio recording system*

*WTH Think GIS for mapping calls and automatic vehicle location*

*Pictometry Visual Intelligence - additional mapping and geographical plotting*

*Panasonic video recording and monitoring system*

The 9-1-1 center is phase 2 compliant which allows for the pinpointing of a cellular phone's location at the time of the 9-1-1 call. The caller's location is plotted on a map along with the available police units. This allows for dispatch of the closest police unit to the call. We are awaiting the delivery and installation of a new 911, telephone and radio recording system.

# Calls For Service by District

1/1/2019 - 12/31/2019



## Zone Total Calls

DISTRICT 1	25,888
DISTRICT 2	7,889
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,777</b>

**Ewing Police**  
**CALLS FOR SERVICE**  
**TWO YEAR COMPARISON BY TYPE 2018-2019**

Call Type	2019 Calls	2018 Calls	% Change
ABANDON 911 CALL	436	481	-9.36%
ABANDON MV	11	7	57.14%
ABC INSPECTION	3	4	-25.00%
ALARM - ELEVATOR	1	0	*
ALARM-BUS	1075	1097	-2.01%
ALARM-RES	730	808	-9.65%
ALRM-VEHICLE	15	15	0.00%
AMB ASSIST	3	12	-75.00%
ANIMAL BITE	23	13	76.92%
ANML COMPLNT	494	459	7.63%
ARSON	1	0	*
ASSAULT - KNIFE OR CUTTING INSTR	2	0	*
ASSAULT - OTHER (SIMPLE)	8	0	*
ASSAULT ON OFF	1	1	0.00%
ASSAULT W/FIREARM	2	4	-50.00%
ASSAULTS	85	100	-15.00%
ASSIST FD/PW	15	12	25.00%
ASST.OTH.AGC	355	445	-20.22%
ATTEMPT AUTO THEFT	1	1	0.00%
ATTEMPT BURGLARY	19	28	-32.14%
ATTEMPT SUICIDE	14	18	-22.22%
BICYCLE REGISTRATION	0	1	-100.00%
BIKE PATROL	33	27	22.22%
BURGLARY	99	129	-23.26%
BURGLARY - FORCIBLE ENTRY	1	0	*
BWC FAILURE	138	62	122.58%
CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM	71	64	10.94%
CARE CALLOUT	0	1	-100.00%
CHILD ABUSE	113	106	6.60%
CHILD SEAT CHECK	19	3	533.33%
CITIZEN ASST	1484	1471	0.88%
CITZ. COMPLAINT - COLLEGE	19	14	35.71%
CITZ.COMPLT	307	360	-14.72%
CIVIL MATTER	72	79	-8.86%
COURT	7	12	-41.67%
CRIM MISCHIEF	159	152	4.61%
CRU DETAIL	116	0	*
CRU DETAIL - ASSOC MTG	1	0	*
CRU DETAIL -	14	0	*

COMM EVENT			
CUSTOMER DISPUTE	180	160	12.50%
DEATH/HOSPICE	5	5	0.00%
DEATH/UNATND	50	36	38.89%
DISABLED VEH	371	493	-24.75%
DISORDERLY PER	433	314	37.90%
DOMEST.DSPTE	419	458	-8.52%
DRG-USE/POSN	37	25	48.00%
DROWNING	0	1	-100.00%
DRUG OVERDOSE	20	28	-28.57%
DRUNKENESS	46	49	-6.12%
DUPLICATE CALL-IGNORE	27	29	-6.90%
DVVRT CALL OUT	28	58	-51.72%
DWI	68	33	106.06%
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	9	20	-55.00%
EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED PERSON	175	197	-11.17%
ENDANGERED PERSON - REGISTRATION	9	2	350.00%
FALSE PUBLIC ALARMS	1	0	*
FAMILY CRISIS	137	191	-28.27%
FIGHTING	126	118	6.78%
FINGERPRINTS COND DISMISSAL	1	3	-66.67%
FINGERPRINTS HQ	9	3	200.00%
FIRE	176	173	1.73%
FIRE ALM SYS	436	408	6.86%
FLOOD COND	15	60	-75.00%
FOOT PATROL	475	386	23.06%
FOUND/RECOVERED ARTI	122	126	-3.17%
FRAUD	269	274	-1.82%
GAMBLING	2	0	*
GAS LEAK-NAT	124	121	2.48%
GAS LEAK/VEH	4	10	-60.00%
HARASMNT-ALL	335	333	0.60%
HAZMAT	5	3	66.67%
HELMET REWARD	23	0	*
HOLDUP ALARM	36	43	-16.28%
IMPERSONATE POLICE O	0	2	-100.00%
INJURED PERSONS	400	325	23.08%
JUVEN OFFENSE	64	92	-30.43%
K9 DEPLOYMENT	20	21	-4.76%
KIDNAP/ABDUCT	1	0	*
LANDLORD DISPUTE	38	24	58.33%
LARCY-THEFTS	314	351	-10.54%
LEWD/IND EXPOS	2	5	-60.00%
LIQUOR LAWS	0	17	-100.00%

LOCKOUT BUILD	13	4	225.00%
LOCKOUT MV	33	23	43.48%
LST.ARTICLES	55	60	-8.33%
LURING	1	3	-66.67%
M/P RTN/LOC	49	91	-46.15%
MEDICINE DROP BOX	20	17	17.65%
MISSING PERSON ADULT	53	67	-20.90%
MISSING PERSON JUVENILE	68	100	-32.00%
MV CITZ COMPT	534	493	8.32%
MV DAMAGE NON/ACC	38	42	-9.52%
MV IMPOUNDED	1	0	*
MV JUNK VEH	19	76	-75.00%
MV REPO STANDBY	0	2	-100.00%
MV STOP	6403	6638	-3.54%
MV THEFT/AUTO	82	116	-29.31%
MV THFT - TRUCK	1	0	*
MV THFT.FROM	147	185	-20.54%
MV-SUSPICIOU	628	731	-14.09%
MV.AC.NO.INJ	1138	1309	-13.06%
MV.ACC. W/INJ	164	142	15.49%
MV.HIT/RUN	228	226	0.88%
NEIGHB DISP	80	108	-25.93%
NOTIFY/MSG	122	110	10.91%
OBJECT IN ROADWAY	125	142	-11.97%
OFF FOLLOWUP	682	676	0.89%
OFF MEAL BREAK	0	2	-100.00%
OPEN PROP	91	73	24.66%
PARKING VIOL	841	530	58.68%
PASSING ATTN	2859	2707	5.62%
PEDESTRIAN STOP	83	73	13.70%
PEEPING TOM	1	1	0.00%
POLICE INFO	352	312	12.82%
POS STL PROP	0	1	-100.00%
POS.WEAP.OTH	5	9	-44.44%
POSS.DRUGS	8	15	-46.67%
POSSESSION OF FIREARM	1	5	-80.00%
PRIS.CK/MEAL	18	27	-33.33%
PRIS.TRANS	35	54	-35.19%
PROPERTY CHECK	116	173	-32.95%
PROWLER	1	1	0.00%
RADAR POST	71	78	-8.97%
REC STOL VEH	44	57	-22.81%
REC VEH OTHER AGENCY	18	20	-10.00%
REPORT WRITING	3	11	-72.73%
RES MEDICAL ALARM	141	152	-7.24%
RES PANIC ALARM	70	49	42.86%
RESTRAIN ORDER/SERVE	140	106	32.08%

RESTRAIN	54	44	22.73%
ORDER/VIOLA			
ROBBERY	13	13	0.00%
ROBBERY -	1	0	*
STRONGARM			
ROBBERY	4	6	-33.33%
W/FIREARM			
SCHOOL	574	533	7.69%
MONITORING			
SCHOOL POST	974	948	2.74%
SERVICE CALL	54	92	-41.30%
EQUIPMENT			
SEX OFFENDER	8	0	*
CHECK			
SEX OFFENDER	68	59	15.25%
REGISTRATION			
SEXUAL ASSLT	23	34	-32.35%
SHOPLIFTING	288	366	-21.31%
SHOTS FIRED	22	25	-12.00%
SICK PERSON	2256	2250	0.27%
SPEC.DETAIL	47	27	74.07%
ST LITE OUT	6	6	0.00%
STORM DAMAGE	47	74	-36.49%
STREET CLOSING	68	96	-29.17%
SUICIDE	2	1	100.00%
SUSP ARTICLE	17	28	-39.29%
SUSP.PERSON	739	731	1.09%
TERRORISTIC	30	17	76.47%
THREATS			
TEST	19	18	5.56%
TRAF DETAIL	86	56	53.57%
TRAF SGN DWN	39	32	21.88%
TRAF SIGN/OT	33	45	-26.67%
TRAINING	18	12	50.00%
TRANSPORTS	19	35	-45.71%
TRESPASS	91	66	37.88%
TWP CODE VIO	173	115	50.43%
TWP ORD NOIS	229	314	-27.07%
Twp. Ordinance	56	55	1.82%
Noise-College Rental			
Twp. Ordinance	1	2	-50.00%
Noise-Rental			
UNKNOWN	110	117	-5.98%
TROUBLE			
VEHICLE CHECK	1	2	-50.00%
VEHICLE RELEASE	159	132	20.45%
WARRANT SER	457	617	-25.93%
WATER LK - BUS	6	4	50.00%
WATER LK-HSE	22	41	-46.34%
WATER LK/ST	46	91	-49.45%
WATER RESCUE	1	2	-50.00%
WELFARE CHECK	246	221	11.31%
<u>WIRE/POL.DWN</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>269</u>	<u>-52.04%</u>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>33777</b>	<b>34396</b>	<b>-1.80%</b>

\*Percent change cannot be calculated from 0



## Internal Affairs

The Ewing Police Department is committed to providing law enforcement services that are fair, effective, and impartially applied. Toward that end, police officers are held to the highest standards of official conduct and are expected to respect the rights of all citizens. Officers' adherence to these standards, motivated by a moral and professional obligation to perform their job to the best of their ability, is the ultimate objective of this agency.

The effectiveness of a law enforcement agency is dependent upon public approval and acceptance of law enforcement authority. The department must be responsive to the community by providing formal procedures for the processing of complaints from the public regarding individual officer performance.

The purpose of this policy is to improve the quality of law enforcement services in Ewing Township. Citizen confidence in the integrity of the law enforcement agency increases through the establishment of meaningful and effective complaint procedures. This confidence engenders community support for the law enforcement agency. Improving the relationship between the officers and the citizens they serve facilitates cooperation vital to the department's ability to achieve its goals. An effective disciplinary framework also permits law enforcement officials to monitor officers' compliance with department policies and procedures. Adherence to established policies and procedures assist's officers in meeting department objectives while a monitoring system permits managers to identify problem areas requiring increased training or direction. Finally, this policy will ensure fairness and due process protection to citizens and officers alike.

The Professional Standards Bureau process shall also be used to identify and correct unclear or inappropriate agency procedures. In addition, it will highlight organizational conditions that may contribute to any misconduct, such as poor recruitment and selection procedures or inadequate training and supervision of officers.

It is the policy of this department to accept and investigate all complaints of alleged officer misconduct or wrongdoing from any citizen or agency employee. Following a thorough and impartial examination of the available factual information, the officer shall be either exonerated or held responsible for the alleged misconduct. Discipline shall be administered according to the degree of misconduct. The dispositions are as follows:

- **Exonerated** - The alleged incident did occur, but the actions of the officer were justified, legal and proper.
- **Sustained** - The investigation disclosed sufficient evidence to prove the allegation, and the actions of the officer violated provisions of rule and regulation or agency procedures.
- **Not Sustained** - The investigation failed to disclose sufficient evidence to clearly prove or disprove the allegation.
- **Unfounded** - The alleged incident did not occur.
- **Administratively Closed** - complaint or investigation is closed prior to reaching a disposition, including situations when a complainant voluntarily requests that a complaint be withdrawn, or the subject officer terminates his or her employment prior to disposition of the complaint.

## Incident Type / Disposition Three Year Comparison

**Incident Type Three-Year Comparison 2017-2019**

<b>EWING TOWNSHIP</b>	2017	2018	2019
<b>Excessive Force</b>	7	9	1
<b>Improper Arrest</b>	2	1	0
<b>Improper Entry</b>	0	0	0
<b>Improper Search</b>	2	0	2
<b>Differential Treatment</b>	5	3	3
<b>Demeanor</b>	8	13	5
<b>Rules/Regs Violations</b>	30	18	16
<b>Other Criminal Violations</b>	2	1	1
<b>Totals</b>	56	45	28

**Dispositions Three-Year Comparison 2017-2019**

<b>EWING TOWNSHIP</b>	2017	2018	2019
<b>Sustained</b>	18	13	9
<b>Not Sustained</b>	1	10	8
<b>Exonerated</b>	13	11	3
<b>Unfounded</b>	10	6	4
<b>Administratively Closed</b>	5	0	3
<b>Open</b>	9	5	1
<b>Totals</b>	56	45	28

### Incident Types with Dispositions 2019

<b>EWING 2019</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Exonerated</b>	<b>Sustained</b>	<b>Not Sustained</b>	<b>Unfounded</b>	<b>Admin Closed</b>	<b>Open</b>
Excessive Force	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Improper Arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Improper Entry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Improper Search	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Differential Treatment	3	0	0	3	0	0	0
Demeanor	5	0	1	3	1	0	0
Rules/Regs Violations	16	0	8	2	3	3	0
Criminal Violations	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>

## Professional Standards Bureau

A lieutenant commands the Professional Standards Bureau. In addition to the powers and duties described in Ewing Township ordinance 2-50.2, the lieutenant is responsible for overseeing the operations of the Training/Risk Management of the department. The lieutenant is responsible for planning and coordinating all aspects of training for department personnel from roll call (informal) to Field Training Evaluation Program (post academy) to certification producing (formal) schools. The lieutenant supervises officer(s) who assist him in training functions and conducting background investigations for prospective employees. The Professional Standards Bureau produces employee identification cards. The internal affairs function is also run out of the Professional Standards Bureau.

## Training Activity Report 2019

Training Activity	Hours
Mental Health	164
Administrative	76
Alcoholic Beverage Laws	64
Leadership/Supervision	1941
Communications	536
Criminal Investigations	1509
Crime Scene Investigation	2680
Training Unit	1804
Juvenile Bureau	88
Firearms	857
Narcotics	329
Gangs	28
K-9	384
Patrol Related	480
Records Management	40
Terrorism Training	16
School Related	484
Incident Command	198
Internal Affairs	96
Bias Crimes	8
Active Shooter	35
DWI	32
Mercer County Rapid Response	16
Emergency Management	34
State Mandated Domestic Violence/PR-24/OC Spray etc.	640
Traffic	1919
<b>Report Totals</b>	<b>14,458</b>

## Mandatory In-Service Requirements

TRAINING	AUTHORITY	HOURS	FREQUENCY	PERSONNEL
Active Shooter	A.G. Guidelines	1 hour	To Be Determined	All sworn
CPR/DEFIB	AHA	4 hours	Biennially	All sworn
Domestic Violence	A.G. Guidelines	4 hours	Annually	All sworn
Firearms Re-qualification	A.G. Guidelines	8 hours	Semi-annual	All sworn
Harassment and Discrimination in the Workplace	E.P.D. General Order O-5	TBD	Annually	All personnel
Monadnock Baton	E.P.D. General Order E-1	4 hour	Annually	All sworn
Oleoresin Capsicum	E.P.D. General Order E-2	4 hour	Annually	All sworn
Profiling & Discriminatory Practices	E.P.D. General Order A-12	N/A	Periodic Review	All sworn
Use of Force Policy	A.G. Guidelines	8 hours	Semi-annual	All sworn
Vehicular Pursuit	A.G. Guidelines	8 hours	Semi-annual	All sworn

## Training Highlights 2019

- Detectives Condrat and Caldwell attended Sexual Assault CLEAR train the trainer on February 7, 2019.
- Officer Finnerty completed his ALCOTEST certification on March 7, 2019.
- Officer DeAngelo attended a 3-day Narcotics Interview class on March 12, 2019.
- Officers Bruno, S. Arnold, Cruz, Herbe attended an Officer Resiliency program on March 29, 2019.
- Officer C. Fornarotto attended a Drug Interdiction class from April 4, 2019 to April 5, 2019.
- Sergeant Kanka and Officers B. Fornarotto, Villa, Jibbou, Folis, Bag, Manfredi, Finnerty and N. Jones attended an Identifying Criminal Drug Indicators class on April 4, 2019.
- Officer N. Miller attended the New Jersey State Police Crime Scene Investigation school from April 5, 2019 to May 23, 2019.
- Officer Messick completed his ALCOTEST certification on April 11, 2019.
- Officers Jibbou, Bag, Wherley, Rivera, McClister, S. Arnold, C. Arnold and Toth attended a weeklong Evidence Technician class hosted by the Ewing Police Department beginning on April 11, 2019.
- Records clerk Lynn Ervin attended a class on the Open Public Records Act on April 16, 2019.
- Lieutenant Jacobs attended the New Jersey College & University Public Safety Association seminar on April 17, 2019.

- Captain Rhodes and Lieutenant Jacobs attended Crisis Communication and Media Relations on April 15, 2019.
- Sergeant Flynn and Detectives Bethea and Brower attended a two-day Alcoholic Beverage Control class on May 15, 2019.
- Captain Rhodes attended a VCS scheduling management seminar from May 22, 2019 to May 23, 2019.
- Sergeant Ranke and Detective Muscente attended a class on Strangulation on May 22, 2019.
- Captains Labaw and Rhodes, Lieutenant Jacobs and Sergeants Boller, Flynn and Santiago attended a two-day Incident Command Systems 200C class on May 29, 2019.
- Records Clerk Adair attended a two-day Open Public Records course on June 3, 2019.
- Office Manfredi attended Identifying Criminal Drug Indicators During Motor Vehicle Stops training on June 9, 2019.
- Officer Bag and Danley attended Advanced Crash Investigation from June 10, 2019 to June 29, 2019.
- Offices Massi, Quinlan, Wherley, Toth, C. Arnold, S. Arnold and McClister attended the four-day Police Bicycle Patrol training on June 10, 2020.
- Sergeant Litz and Detectives Maldonado and Hoarn attended a three-day Narcotics Enforcement Seminar on June 10, 2019.
- Sergeants Herbe, Ranke, Tramontana and Kucker attended the four-day New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police Frontline Supervision class on June 11, 2019.
- Sergeant Flynn and Detectives Przemieniecki and Brower attended a five-day National Child Passenger Safety Seat Certification class on June 11, 2019.
- Lieutenant Bartkowski, Sergeants Tramontana and Flynn, and Detectives Caldwell, Brower, Bethea, Hoarn, Maldonado attended a four-day Interview and Interrogation class on June 17, 2019.
- Sergeant Tramontana and Detective Condrat attended the 3-day Basic Sex Crimes and Child Abuse conference on June 5, 2019.
- Detective Hurley and Officer McCall attended the five-day Shooting Reconstruction training on June 24, 2019.
- Sergeant Tramontana and Detective Hurley attended the five-day New Jersey State Police Advanced Homicide conference on July 10, 2019.
- Sergeant Ranke, Dispatcher Gurry and Detectives Maldonado, Brower and Bethea and Officer B. Fornarotto attended a five-day Methods of Instruction course on July 22, 2019.
- Officer B. Fornarotto attended the 5-day Physical Training Instructor course on July 29, 2019.
- Detective Morris attended a five-day Firearms Instructor Course on August 12, 2019.
- Detectives Bender and Morris attended the 5-day Emergency Vehicle Operations Instructor course on August 19, 2019.
- Captain Rhodes attended a five-day New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police Contemporary Issues in Police Administration course on September 16, 2019.
- Detective Condrat attended the five-day Finding Words Child Victim Interview Class on September 23, 2019.
- Lieutenants Lardieri, Morgan, McGuire and Cabell attended the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police Middle Management class from September 25, 2019 to September 27, 2019.
- Officers Jibbou and Manfredi attended the New Jersey State Police Crime Scene Investigations school from September 6, 2019 to October 24, 2019.
- Detectives Caldwell, Hurley and Vagnozzi attended a Juvenile Investigation class on September 12, 2019.
- Sergeant Litz and Detective Morris attended a 3-day Sex Crimes Conference on September 24, 2019.
- Sergeant Kanka attended the 2-day Rogers Group Internal Affairs class on October 3, 2019.
- Captain Rhodes attended the 3-day FBI National Academy Training Conference on October 6, 2019.

- Officer McCall and DeAngelo attended the 3-day Introduction to High Tech Crimes course on October 9, 2019.
- Officer Wyckoff attended the 2-day Comprehensive Interview Program on October 24, 2019.
- Detectives Caldwell and Vagnozzi attended a 5-day Detective Skills class on October 7, 2019.
- Officer DeAngelo attended an Investigative Police Psychology class on November 14, 2019.
- Detectives Bender and Vagnozzi and Officer McCall attended a 2-day Interview school on November 14, 2019.
- Dispatchers Canulli and Stradling attended a 911 Bomb call taking class on November 20, 2019.
- Lieutenant Jacobs and Detective Muscente attended the five-day FBI LEEDA Internal Affairs course on December 9, 2019.

### Firearms and Records Statistics 2019

Full Firearm Background Checks	267
Firearm Purchase Permits Issued	365
Duplicate and Change of Address Identification Cards Issued	58
Firearm Carry Permits	2
Taxicab Backgrounds	2
Civilian Fingerprints	18

### Property and Evidence Unit

A civilian employee is responsible for the Property and Evidence Unit and reports directly to the Detective Bureau Lieutenant. This member is responsible for the receipt, logging, retention, storage, release and disposal of all property to include vehicles submitted by members of the department as evidence, safekeeping or any other valid reason. This member is also responsible for the transfer of such property to and from any other agency, facility or person for the purpose of analysis, examination, inspection or display.

#### **Workload Report 2019**

<u>Item Status</u>	<u>Transfers</u>
Item Collected	154
Stored in Location	3,246
To Lab	236
From Lab	220
Returned to Owner	177
Destroyed	1,128
Retained at Lab	2
Transferred to Other Agency	246
Put in Expungement File	17
Signed Out for Review	37
Received into Property Room	1,854
Item Submitted into Property	183

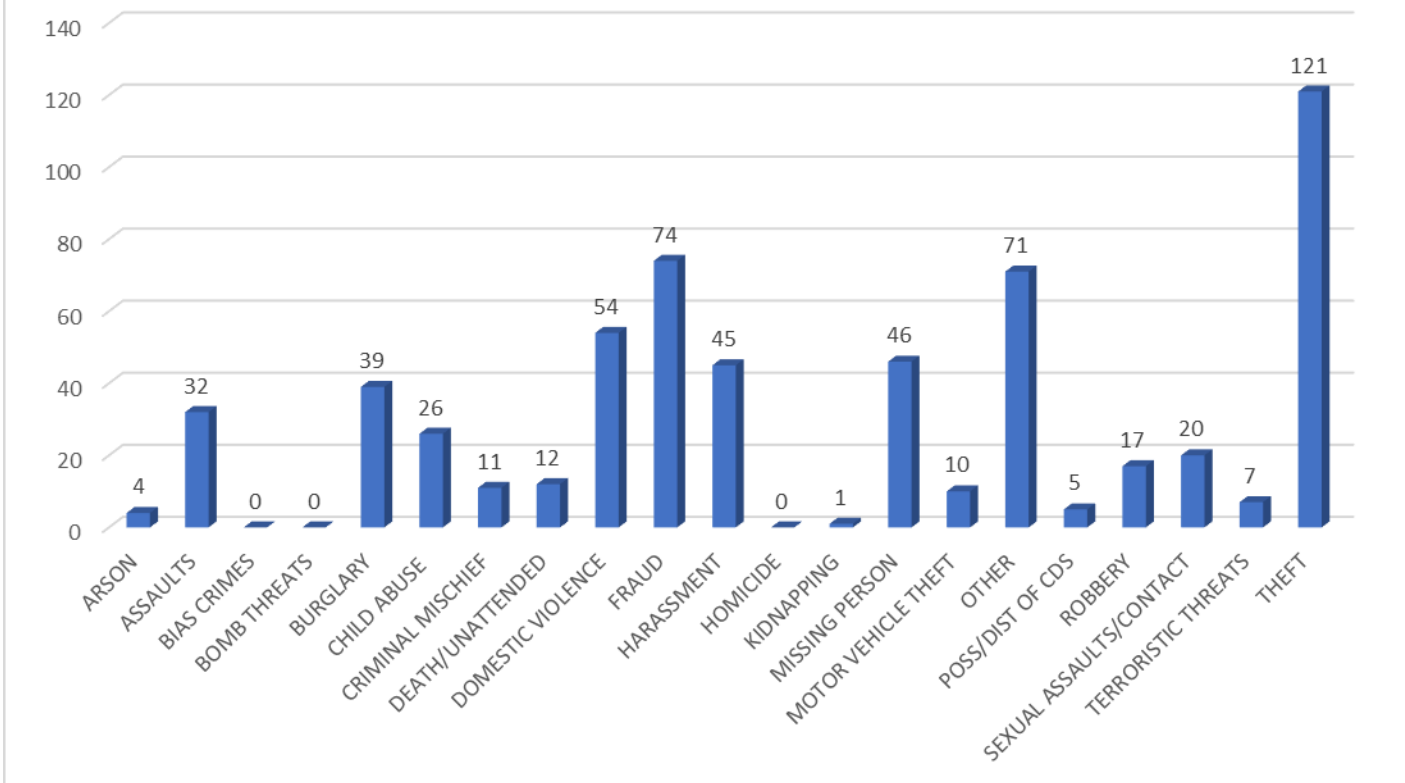
## Criminal Investigation Bureau

The Criminal Investigation Bureau is responsible for conducting all major criminal investigations and follow-up investigations on selected cases. The Detective Bureau (DB) is comprised of one lieutenant, one sergeant, and six detectives. DB receives most of its cases after officers in the patrol platoons have conducted a preliminary investigation and completed a report of their findings. These initial reports are an integral part of the Bureau's ability to solve cases as they provide investigators with vital information and potential leads. Collaboration efforts also carry over to other law enforcement agencies as well. Every month DB hosts a multi-jurisdictional meeting of police personnel to share information concerning criminal activity.

### Disposition Summary Report 2019

TYPE OF CRIME	TOTAL CASES ASSIGNED	COMPLAINT	CLEARED	UNFOUNDED	CLOSED	EXCEPTIONAL CLEARANCE	EARLY CASE CLOSURE	VICTIM UNCOOPERATIVE	CASES OPEN
ARSON	4	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0
ASSAULTS	32	10	2	0	10	4	0	6	0
BIAS CRIMES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BOMB THREATS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BURGLARY	39	8	0	0	21	4	0	0	6
CHILD ABUSE	26	2	2	2	16	3	0	1	0
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	11	2	1	1	6	0	0	1	0
DEATH/UNATTENDED	12	0	2	0	6	1	0	0	3
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	54	9	2	0	25	4	0	14	0
FRAUD	74	10	2	0	51	2	1	3	5
HARASSMENT	45	6	1	0	21	12	0	5	0
HOMICIDE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
KIDNAPPING	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
MISSING PERSON	46	0	7	0	9	30	0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	10	1	2	0	6	1	0	0	0
OTHER	71	7	3	1	43	11	1	3	2
POSS/DIST OF CDS	5	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0
ROBBERY	17	7	0	0	5	0	0	5	0
SEXUAL ASSAULTS/CONTACT	20	5	0	0	7	1	0	2	5
TERRORISTIC THREATS	7	0	0	0	6	1	0	0	0
THEFT	121	34	3	1	66	4	1	3	9
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>30</b>

EWING POLICE DEPARTMENT  
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU  
TYPES OF CRIMES INVESTIGATED  
2019



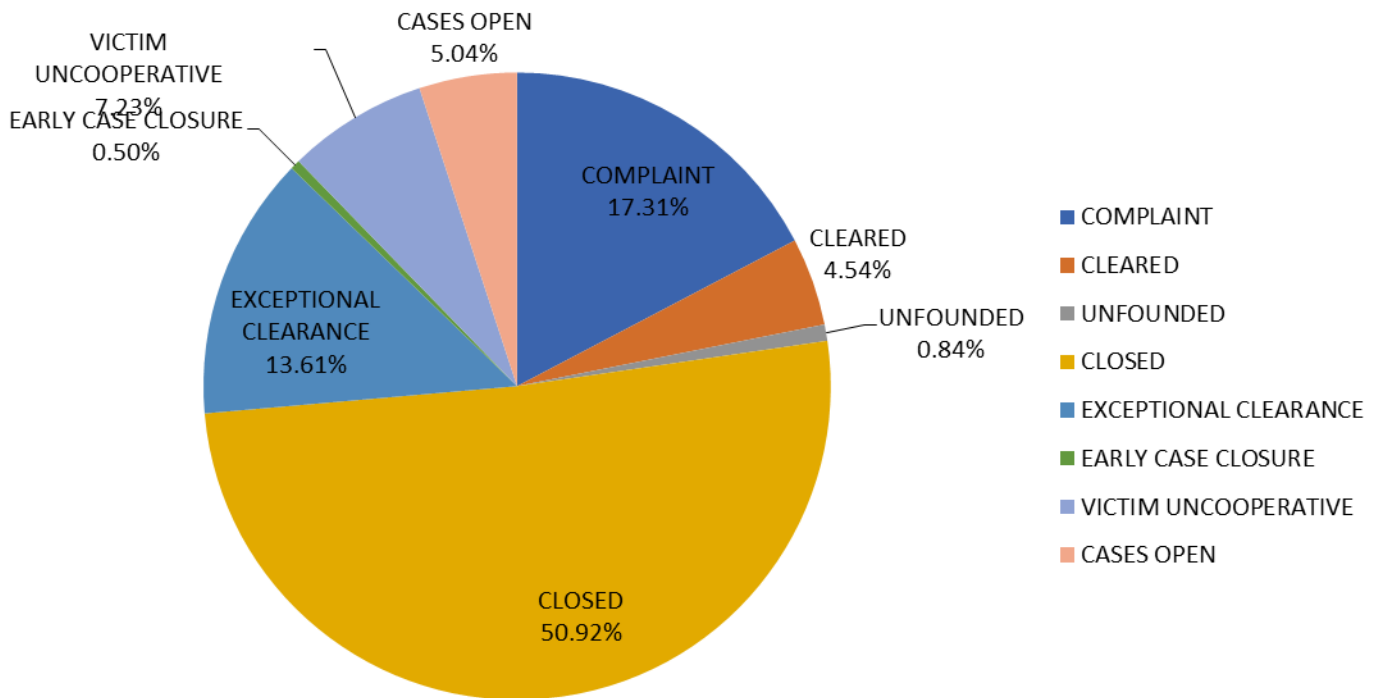
*\*Incidents handled exclusively by Patrol Bureau not included in above CIB statistics.*



**Disposition Summary with Percent's 2019**

TYPE OF CRIME	TOTAL CASES ASSIGNED	COMPLAINT	CLEARED	UNFOUNDED	CLOSED	EXCEPTIONAL CLEARANCE	EARLY CASE CLOSURE	VICTIM UNCOOPERATIVE	CASES OPEN
ARSON	4				75.00%	25.00%			
ASSAULTS	32	31.25%	6.25%		31.25%	12.50%	2.3%	18.75%	
BIAS CRIMES	0								
BOMB THREATS									
BURGLARY	39	20.51%			53.85%	10.26%			15.38%
CHILD ABUSE	26	7.69%	7.69%	7.69%	61.54%	11.54%		3.85%	
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	11	18.18%	9.09%	9.09%	54.55%			9.09%	
DEATH/UNATTENDED	12		16.67%		50.00%	8.33%			25.00%
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	54	16.67%	3.70%		46.30%	7.41%		25.93%	
FRAUD	74	13.51%	2.70%		68.92%	2.70%	1.35%	4.05%	6.76%
HARASSMENT	45	13.33%	2.22%		46.67%		11.11%	11.8%	
HOMICIDE	0								
KIDNAPPING	1				100%				
MISSING PERSON	46		15.22%		19.57%	65.22%			
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	10	10.00%	20.00%		60.00%	10.00%			
OTHER	71	9.86%	4.23%	1.41%	60.56%	15.49%	1.41%	4.23%	2.82%
POSS/DIST OF CDS	5	40.00%			20.00%	40.00%			
ROBBERY	17	41.18%			29.41%			29.41%	
SEXUAL ASSAULTS/CONTACT	20	25.00%			35.00%	5.00%		10.00%	25.00%
TERRORISTIC THREATS	7				85.71%	14.29%			
THEFT	121	28.10%	2.48%	0.83%	54.55%	3.31%	0.83%	2.48%	7.44%
<b>TOTALS:</b>	595	17.31%	4.54%	0.84%	50.92%	13.61%	0.50%	7.23%	5.04%

## EWING POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU DISPOSITIONS



### Youth and Family Services

The Youth and Family (Juvenile) Bureau operates within the Detective Bureau under the direction of the Bureau supervisor and handles a wide range of responsibilities involving the young people of the community. The Juvenile Detectives receives additional specialized training in dealing with juvenile offenders. In many instances, juveniles are dealt with through available diversionary programs aimed at educating youthful offenders rather than incarcerating them. The hope is that a spirit of positive interaction among the police and our young people will help foster principles of Crime Prevention through Intervention. The Juvenile Detectives are also available to assist parents with resources relating to incorrigible children and family crisis.

Juvenile Detectives have a close working relationship with the Township Schools and the School Resource Officers in each of our Township Schools. The Juvenile Detectives encourage the sharing of information with members of the public. Many investigations are initiated as well as solved through this type of cooperative effort.

Juvenile Detectives are typically available Monday through Friday from 7:00am to 10:00pm. At all at other times, detectives are available through an "on-call" status to respond as needed.

Juvenile Detectives also are the Domestic Violence Liaisons with the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office. One of the Juvenile Detectives takes care of all Megan's Law Registrations and notifications.

### Stationhouse Reports

2019

Age at Time of Offense	Race	Sex	Offense	Outcome
14	B	Female	Cyber Harassment	1-Community Service
14	B	Female	Cyber Harassment	1-Community Service
14	B	Female	Cyber Harassment	6-Community Service

**Outcome:**

- 1 - Successfully Completed.
- 2 - Parent/Guardian/Caregiver not available or refused participation.
- 3 - Juvenile refused participation.
- 4 - Victim insisted on formal complaint.
- 5 - Not adjusted due to lack of resources.
- 6 - Juvenile either committed a new offense or did not complete terms of adjustment agreement, resulting in the filing of a juvenile delinquency complaint.
- 7 - Agency considered and rejected stationhouse adjustment.

## K-9 Activity Report Summary 2019

### Unit K9 Teams

Officer R. Jones #159	K-9 Taz (Belgian Malinois) - Patrol
	K-9 Jett (German Shepherd) - Narcotics
Officer T. Kownacky #150	K-9 Ace (German Shepherd)- Patrol / Explosives
Officer B. Fornarotto #206	K-9 Jax (Belgian Malinois) – Patrol / Narcotics
Officer L. Ruiz #196	K-9 Ingo (German Shepherd) – Patrol / Narcotics

### K-9 Calls for Service

<u>Type Call</u>	<u>#</u>
Drug Sniff	26
Alarms	23
Building searches	10
Open property searches	9
Bomb Sniff	7
Canine Demonstrations	5
Assist other agencies	4
Fleeing Suspects	3
Search Warrants/narcotics	3
Warrant Service	2
Missing persons	3
Tracks	3

In addition to the above calls for service, the K-9 Unit also assists with calls such as open doors, stolen vehicles, commercial burglaries, escaped prisoners, bomb threats and domestic violence incidents. The K-9 Unit conducts monthly in-service training that consists of patrol tactics along with narcotic and explosive detection. Additionally, Officer Kownacky #150 and his K-9 partner Ace, train monthly with the New Jersey Detect and Render Safe Task Force, spearheaded by the New Jersey State Police.

In 2019 the K-9 unit logged over 380 hours of training for the year. The unit has successfully assisted with K-9 tracks that resulted in finding missing persons, and successfully conducted narcotic sniffs that resulted in large controlled dangerous substance seizures. One such seizure took place on June 17, 2019 when K9 Officer Brittany Fornarotto and her partner Jax, assisted in one of the largest cocaine seizures in the history of the United States. While assisting the Department of Homeland Security, they uncovered 17.5 tons of cocaine on a ship in the Port of Philadelphia, with an estimated street value of 1.1 billion dollars.

## Traffic Services



Traffic Services is responsible for traffic safety and enforcement on the roadways throughout the township. Additional responsibilities include investigating all major crashes as well as the majority of minor crashes, and the processing of all summonses and reports associated with these types of incidents. They also oversee all of the School Crossing Guards, in addition to supplemental traffic enforcement with regards to grant programs such as DWI Enforcement, and Seat Belt Enforcement.

### Traffic Crash Data

The Ewing Police Patrol Division responded to **1331 motor vehicle collisions** throughout 2019, of which 176 resulted in personal injury and 3 resulted in fatalities.

## 2019 Motor Vehicle Crash Yearly Totals

W/O Injuries, With Injuries, Hit & Runs

Total Crashes for 2019: 1,331

MONTH	WITHOUT INJURIES	WITH INJURIES	HIT AND RUN
JANUARY	67	9	13
FEBRUARY	90	9	16
MARCH	82	11	17
APRIL	82	9	21
MAY	84	15	13
JUNE	89	11	16
JULY	81	19	18
AUGUST	66	16	11
SEPTEMBER	84	27	9
OCTOBER	91	18	8
NOVEMBER	86	12	9
DECEMBER	86	20	16
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>167</b>

DAY OF THE WEEK	WITH OUT INJURIES	WITH INJURIES	HIT AND RUN
SUNDAY	90	22	24
MONDAY	152	34	24
TUESDAY	137	25	17
WEDNESDAY	146	29	31
THURSDAY	148	20	23
FRIDAY	181	29	19
SATURDAY	134	17	29
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>167</b>

## Time of Day Breakdown

TIME OF CRASH	W/O INJURIES	WITH INJURIES	HIT AND RUN
00:00-00:59	10	1	1
01:00-01:59	3	0	0
02:00-02:59	5	1	0
03:00-03:59	6	1	2
04:00-04:59	6	1	0
05:00-05:59	12	2	1
06:00-06:59	14	2	1
07:00-07:59	42	10	4
08:00-08:59	57	9	4
09:00-09:59	42	9	11
10:00-10:59	59	8	12
11:00-11:59	70	12	17
12:00-12:59	77	7	10
13:00-13:59	67	19	9
14:00-14:59	97	18	10
15:00-15:59	80	9	10
16:00-16:59	76	19	15
17:00-17:59	79	11	14
18:00-18:59	59	10	9
19:00-19:59	38	13	7
20:00-20:59	27	4	14
21:00-21:59	26	5	7
22:00-22:59	20	4	5
23:00-23:59	16	1	4

## Type Crash

MONTH	BUS CRASH	DEER STRUCK	DUI CRASHES	FATALS	MOTORCYCLE CRASH	NON – REPORTABLES
JANUARY	3	4	0	0	0	2
FEBRUARY	1	2	8	1	0	1
MARCH	1	4	2	0	1	5
APRIL	0	0	2	0	0	2
MAY	0	0	0	0	2	4
JUNE	3	6	1	0	0	8
JULY	3	1	1	1	1	2
AUGUST	0	0	1	0	0	0
SEPTEMBER	1	8	3	1	0	3
OCTOBER	0	9	2	0	0	5
NOVEMBER	0	9	2	0	0	6
DECEMBER	1	5	3	0	1	1
TOTAL	13	48	25	3	5	39

## 2019 SUMMONSES YEARLY TOTALS

**Moving and Parking Summonses yearly total: 7823**

OFFENSE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
CARELESS	54	69	69	71	63	46	58	75	75	46	56	62	744
CELLPHONE	6	14	9	17	21	9	4	5	0	3	2	1	91
CHILD RESTRAINT	1	2	11	17	7	7	2	2	11	4	5	0	69
DRUNK/DRUG DRIVING	6	19	16	13	5	10	5	15	15	8	15	7	134
RECKLESS	6	14	16	15	7	7	6	12	14	8	14	10	129
SCHOOL BUS	1	2	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	9
SEATBELTS	10	5	12	22	86	14	6	17	6	1	25	34	238
SPEEDING	5	4	8	10	7	3	1	4	9	4	10	4	69
SUSPENDED	85	55	91	84	50	41	37	97	49	66	45	64	764
UNLICENSED	46	25	29	40	28	15	20	53	27	24	27	39	373
OTHER	506	290	513	530	387	234	193	479	270	324	341	372	4,439
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>726</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>821</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>759</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>7,059</b>
<b>OFFENSE</b>	<b>JAN</b>	<b>FEB</b>	<b>MAR</b>	<b>APRIL</b>	<b>MAY</b>	<b>JUNE</b>	<b>JUL</b>	<b>AUG</b>	<b>SEPT</b>	<b>OCT</b>	<b>NOV</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>PARKING</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>764</b>

### Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)

#### 2019 DWI Statistics

MONTH	Total
January	<b>6</b>
February	<b>19</b>
March	<b>16</b>
April	<b>13</b>
May	<b>5</b>
June	<b>10</b>
July	<b>5</b>
August	<b>15</b>
September	<b>15</b>
October	<b>8</b>
November	<b>15</b>
December	<b>7</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>134</b>

## Patrol Highlights of 2019

### **JANUARY**

1/1/19            19-000045 – *Domestic Violence Aggravated Assault*

A 20-year-old victim called police to report that she was assaulted by her boyfriend. A verbal argument between the male and female turned physical. The male began to strangle the victim and as she began to lose consciousness, the male let her go. The male was arrested and charged with aggravated assault.

1/11/19           19-000797 – *Aggravated Criminal Sexual Contact*

New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency notified Ewing Police detectives that a minor reported that he was touched inappropriately by a family friend. The investigation was conducted by Ewing Police detectives and the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office.

1/14/19           19-001340 – *Carjacking/Robbery*

A 41-year-old victim called police after his vehicle was stolen at gunpoint. Patrol units responded and the victim reported that a black male wearing a dark puffy jacket approached him and pointed a silver and brown handgun at him and demanded the victim's keys. The actor took the keys and drove off with the vehicle. The vehicle was entered stolen into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) database. Ewing detectives responded to the investigation for a formal statement.

### **FEBRUARY**

2/1/19            19-003222 – *Drug Overdose*

Ewing patrol units were detailed to a report of a drug overdose. The 21-year-old victim was found to have overdosed on two medications. When officers observed signs of an opioid overdose, they administered naloxone. The female victim began to respond to treatment and was transported to the hospital for further treatment.

2/6/19            19-003692 – *Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)*

A Ewing patrol officer observed a vehicle drive over the double yellow traffic line at a high rate of speed. The 45-year-old driver also made erratic movements as the officer followed the vehicle. The officer was able to stop the vehicle and found the driver to be displaying signs of intoxication. The driver was unable to satisfactorily pass standard field sobriety tests and he was arrested and charged for DWI.

2/12/19           19-004177 – *Shoplifting*

Ewing patrol units were detailed to a supermarket on the report of a shoplifter who was detained by a store loss prevention officer. The actor concealed various groceries in a shopping bag and passed all points of sale. The male actor was arrested and charged with shoplifting. The actor was released on a summons to appear in court.

2/27/19           19-005413 – *Unattended Death*

A 91-year-old male died of natural causes in his home. The investigation revealed nothing suspicious and the victim's body was released by the medical examiner's office to a funeral home.

### **MARCH**



3/1/19            19-005648 – *Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance*

Ewing patrol units were detailed to a township school after a small bag of suspected marijuana was found in a student's backpack by school staff. The marijuana was seized as evidence and the juvenile was issued a juvenile petition. The Division of Child Protection and Permanency was also contacted.

3/5/19            19-005935 – *Missing Person*

Ewing patrol units were detailed for a report of a missing 37-year-old male. The male left his residence and left a suicide note behind. The male was entered into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) database as a missing person. A Ewing detective responded to assist in the investigation. Mercer County Sheriff's K9 unit also responded with a bloodhound to assist in locating the male. The male was located approximately two hours later and removed from NCIC.

3/17/19           19-007082 – *Burglary*

Ewing patrol units were detailed to a business for a burglar alarm. Upon arrival officers found the rear door to the store ajar. A check of the inner office found that a desk was disturbed, and cash was missing. Investigation revealed that a store employee entered the business and stole over \$7000. The 32-year-old actor was arrested and released on a complaint summons.

3/26/19           19-008075 – *Attempted Robbery*

A 28-year-old victim called police after an unknown actor attempted to rob him. Ewing patrol units were detailed to the area of Parkside Avenue/Ives Ave and met with the victim who advised that a male dressed in all black clothing threatened to shoot him if he did not give up his money. No firearm was displayed during the attempted robbery. The victim refused to turn over any money and the actor fled the area. No arrest was made.

## **APRIL**

4/5/19            19-009161 – *Assault*

Ewing patrol units were detailed to a supermarket on the report of two females fighting, where one female was sprayed with pepper spray. Officers located the victim who refused to cooperate with the investigation. The victim stated that she is familiar with the actor, however, she did not want to pursue the matter.

4/8/19            19-009407 – *Sexual Assault*

The 18-year-old victim reported that she was at her neighbor's apartment when the neighbor began to argue with the victim because she was on the phone. The 18-year-old actor then grabbed the victim by the neck and forced her into his bedroom where he sexually assaulted her. The victim was able to fight the actor off and fled the apartment. The investigation was turned over to the detective bureau and the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office.

4/24/19           19-010980 – *Child Abuse*

A Ewing school counselor called police after a juvenile student reported that she was struck in the arm with a wooden brush, by a parent. The juvenile had a bruise on her right arm. The Division of Child Protection and Permanency was notified as well.

4/30/19            19-011566 – *Animal Bite*

A 59-year-old victim called to report that her son's dog bit her on the foot. The victim suffered a minor puncture wound. The victim's son was away from the residence for over two months due to his employment. The victim requested the dog be removed by animal control.

## **MAY**

5/1/19            19-011671 – *Violation of a Restraining Order*

A 34-year-old victim reported that her 27-year-old ex-boyfriend violated the terms of a final restraining order by showing up at her apartment complex that caused her alarm. When responding officers arrived, the actor was unable to be located. A follow-up investigation was conducted by a Ewing detective regarding this incident and two other reported violations of the order. After investigating the incidents, the detective signed a complaint warrant against the actor.

5/5/19            19-012042 – *Theft*

A 20-year-old victim reported that a camera, valued at \$1200 dollars, was stolen from a common area of the house she rents. The victim believes an acquaintance of one of her roommates stole the camera.

5/21/19           19-013619 – *Unattended Death*

An 89-year-old female died of natural causes in her home. The investigation revealed nothing suspicious and the victim's body was released by the medical examiner's office to a funeral home.

5/29/19           19-014477 – *Robbery*

Patrol units were detailed to a business reporting a robbery. A male actor walked into the business, brandished a handgun and demanded money from the employee. Once the male had the money, he fled the store. Patrol units were unable to locate the male and the case was turned over to the detective bureau.

## **JUNE**

6/6/19            19-015288 – *Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)*

A concerned citizen called police after finding a driver passed out behind the wheel at a traffic light. Investigation by responding patrol units found a 46-year-old male driver was displaying signs of impairment. The driver did not satisfactorily pass the standard field sobriety tests and he was arrested under suspicion of driving while intoxicated. The driver then refused to provide breath samples during processing. Once processing was complete, the driver was released on summonses with a pending court date.

6/8/19            19-015385 – *Drug Overdose*

Ewing patrol units were detailed for a 27-year-old male experiencing a medical episode. Responding officers located the victim and found him to be displaying signs of an opioid overdose. Officers also found drug paraphernalia near the victim. Officers then deployed naloxone and the victim began to recover from the overdose. He was then transported to the hospital for further treatment. The victim was not charged in accordance with the Overdose Prevention Act.

6/16/19 19-016092 – Robbery

A 74-year-old male reported that he was assaulted by an unknown female. During the assault the female took \$25 from the victim and fled the area in a vehicle that was operated by an unknown male.

6/28/19 19-017123 – Shots Fired

Patrol units were detailed to a residence after calls were placed to 911 reporting “shots fired”. Investigation revealed that the resident was having a party and it was breaking up. As the attendees were leaving an argument ensued, and a “pop” was heard. A shell casing was found in the driveway by investigating officers. No one was injured during the incident and the shell casing was found to be a “blank”.

## **JULY**

7/7/19 19-017844 – Assault

A 57-year-old called after he was assaulted by another male in a parking lot. The victim advised that another male was honking his horn at an elderly female who was having difficulty parking her vehicle. The victim told the male to give the female a minute to park her car. The actor took offense to this, exited his vehicle and struck the victim with a closed fist. The victim was advised on how to sign a complaint.

7/11/19 19-018202 – Burglary

An unknown suspect forced entry into a residence and removed over \$1200 worth of electronics. The scene was processed by an Evidence Technician (ET) and fingerprints were lifted and submitted for analysis.

7/18/19 19-018839 – Harassment

A 56-year-old male was called by a pharmacy and he was told that his prescription could not be filled since the prescription blank was not completed properly by his doctor. The actor then told the pharmacy that he was going to bring a gun to the store and rob them of their medications.

7/28/19 19-019720 – Arson

Ewing patrol units were detailed to an apartment complex on the report of a vehicle fire. Arriving units located a pickup truck that was engulfed in flames. Once the vehicle was extinguished, a melted gas can was found in the interior cab of the pickup. The fire was deemed suspicious by the fire marshal and the case was turned over to the Ewing detective bureau and the Mercer County Prosecutor’s Office Arson Unit.

## **AUGUST**

8/7/19 19-020694 – Violation of a Restraining Order

A 24-year-old victim reported that his 21-year-old ex-girlfriend was calling him at inconvenient hours in violation of a temporary restraining order (TRO). The investigation revealed that actor had not yet been served with the TRO. Officers completed a report for harassment. The victim was advised of the complaint process.

8/11/19 19-021019 – Burglary

A 35-year-old victim reported that an unknown actor broke into his shed. The actor stole approximately \$1300 in lawn equipment. The shed was forcibly entered by the actor. The victim declined to have the shed processed for fingerprints.

8/13/19 19-021243 – Robbery

An unknown female actor was stopped by a dollar store manager for shoplifting. When the female actor was confronted by the store manager, the actor pulled out a knife and told the manager to back off. The actor got into a vehicle and fled the area. Items that were in the possession of the actor, but left at the store, were collected for fingerprint analysis.

8/25/19 19-022265 – Township Ordinance Violation

Ewing Patrol units were detailed to a college rental property on the report of a large party. Upon arrival, patrol officers witnessed several people running from the front yard of the residence. The yard was littered with red cups and other trash. Once the attendees left the property, the renters were given an information packet and advised of township ordinances by members of the Community Response Unit.

## SEPTEMBER

9/8/19 19-023703 – Robbery

A clerk at a convenience store attempted to stop a shoplifter who stole 10 packs of cigarettes. The actor attempted to leave the store parking lot in a vehicle. With the driver's side door still open, the clerk reached into the vehicle to grab the packs of cigarettes and the actor began to accelerate and departed the lot. The victim suffered a minor scrape to her knee. The vehicle in question was unable to be located.

9/15/19 19-024521 – Fire

Units responded to a residence on the report of a house fire. Investigation revealed that careless cooking caused the fire. Township code enforcement deemed the residence unlivable due to extensive damage. The family was assisted by the Red Cross.

9/20/19 19-024965 – Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)

A Ewing patrol officer observed a vehicle driving at a high rate of speed. The 31-year-old driver was stopped for the violation and the officer found the driver to be displaying signs of intoxication. The driver was unable to satisfactorily pass standard field sobriety tests and she was arrested and charged for DWI.

9/30/19 19-025955 – Missing Person

A 56-year-old male was reported missing by his wife. The victim's wife advised that the victim would leave the house for a few days from time to time. However, this time, the victim was missing for 6 days. The victim was entered into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) database as a missing person.

## OCTOBER

10/1/19 19-026063 – Domestic Violence Aggravated Assault

A 49-year-old victim reported that he and his girlfriend had an argument. The female actor became highly agitated and pulled out a knife. The actor caused a laceration to the victim, who was transported to the hospital. The actor was arrested and charged on a complaint warrant.

10/2/19 19-026123 – Robbery

Ewing units responded to a report of a shoplifting at a business. When the unknown actor was challenged by a store employee, the actor told the employee that he had a gun and not to say anything. The male left the store in an unknown direction.

10/15/19          19-027241 – *Attempted Suicide*

Ewing units responded to a report of a victim who stabbed herself with a knife. There were no signs of foul play and the victim was transported to the hospital for non-life-threatening injuries.

10/27/19          19-028357 – *Burglary*

Officers responded to a business on a report of a burglary. The manager advised officers that an unknown actor shattered a side glass door to the business and stole over \$15000 from the store safe.

## **NOVEMBER**

11/6/19          19-029243 – *Unattended Death*

A 68-year-old male was found deceased by a family member. There were no signs of foul play and it was determined that the victim died of natural causes. The medical examiner's office released the body to a funeral home.

11/12/19          19-029794 – *Domestic Violence Assault*

A 34-year-old victim reported that she and her boyfriend got into a verbal argument that turned physical. During the argument, the actor pushed the victim into a wall, causing injuries to the victim. The actor was placed under arrest and transported to the station for processing. Once completed, the actor was released on a complaint summons.

11/20/19          19-030435 – *Township Ordinance Violation*

Ewing Patrol units were detailed to a college rental property on the report of a loud party. Upon arrival, patrol officers were able to hear loud music coming from the property. Two renters were issued summonses for violating the township noise ordinance.

11/20/19          19-030463 – *Robbery*

Ewing units responded to a report of a robbery at a pharmacy. An unknown actor was able to get into the pharmacy before it opened after he entered through an unlocked door. The actor told the employee that he had a weapon, that he would kill her, and he demanded pills. Once the actor had the pills, he fled the store. The employee was told by the actor to wait fifteen minutes to move, otherwise he would harm her. The employee waited five minutes and then called police. The actor was unable to be located.

## **DECEMBER**

12/3/19          19-031411 – *Burglary*

A construction worker reported finding a hole in the wall of a business, currently vacant which led into an active business. Investigation revealed that unknown actor(s) gained entry into the vacant suite through an unlocked rear door and then cut a hole in the wall and entered the active business where they raided an ATM machine.

12/10/19          19-032147 – *Domestic Violence Burglary*

A 57-year-old victim reported his residence was burglarized. The victim believed the burglary was committed by an ex-girlfriend after he located a cell phone that he stated belonged to her. The victim advised officers that the actor stole \$6,000 in cash that he had hidden in the residence. The victim also reported jewelry and other personal items stolen.

12/24/19            19-033253 – *Shots Fired*

Units responded to multiple calls for gunshots on Berwyn Avenue. Initial callers reported seeing two actors running through backyards from the area of the gunshots. Two males were stopped by officers and they checked clear of any involvement. Nine shell casings were located by investigating officers. There were no victims reported in this incident.

12/30/19            19-033653 – *Shoplifting*

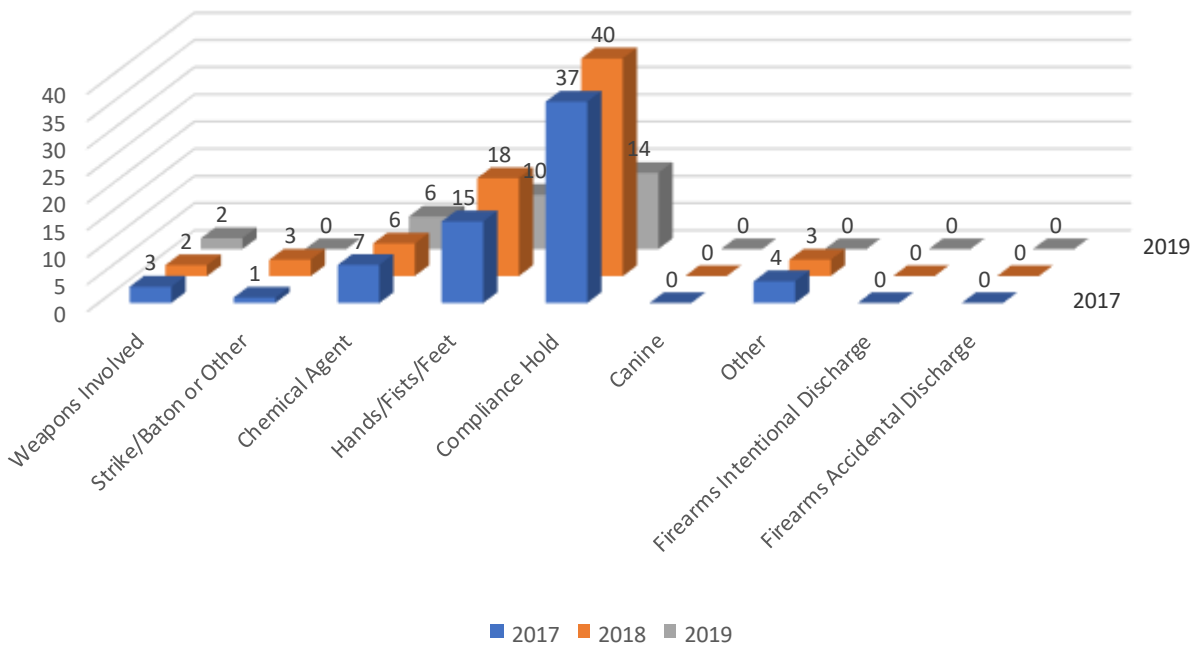
Units responded to a business on a report of shoplifting. Loss prevention officers detained a male who shoplifted over \$450 in merchandise. The actor was arrested and transported to the station for processing. The actor was then lodged in the county jail on a complaint warrant.

## Use of Force 2019

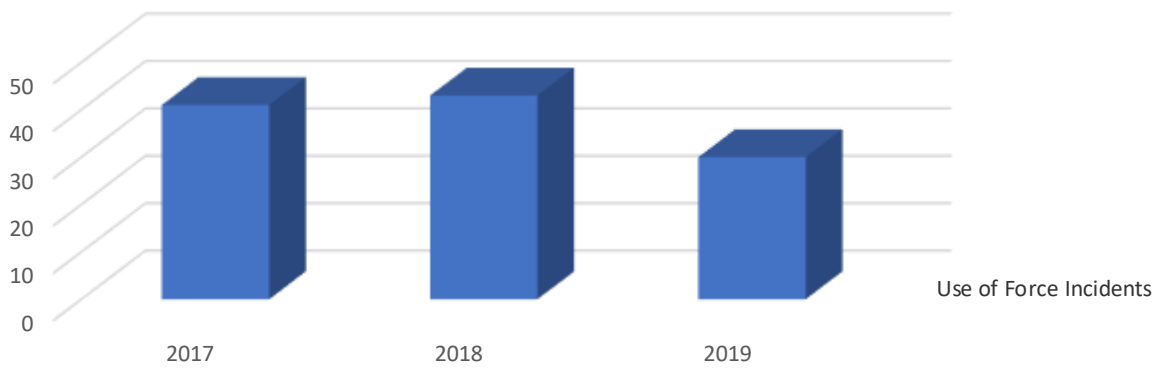
The Ewing Police Department recognizes and respects the value of human life. Investing police officers with the lawful authority to use force to protect the public welfare, a careful balancing of all human interests is required. Deciding whether to utilize force when authorized in the conduct of official responsibilities is among the most critical decisions made by law enforcement officers. It is a decision which can be irrevocable. It is a decision which must be made quickly and under difficult, often unpredictable and unique circumstances. Sound judgment and the appropriate exercise of discretion will always be the foundation of police officer decision making in the broad range of possible use of force situations.

	2019	
Use of Force Incidents	30	
Suspects Involved	30	
Suspects Injured	4	13.33%
Police Officers Involved	63	
Police Officers Injured	8	12.70%
Force Level:		
Weapons Involved	2	6.25%
Strike/Baton or Other	0	0.00%
Chemical Agent	6	18.75%
Hands/Fists/Feet	10	31.25%
Compliance Hold	14	43.75%
Canine	0	0.00%
Other	0	0.00%
Firearms Intentional Discharge	0	0.00%
Firearms Accidental Discharge	0	0.00%
	32	100.00%

### Ewing Police Department Types of Force Used 2017-2019



### Ewing Police Department Use of Force Incidents Three Year Comparison 2017-2019



## Drug Overdoses 2019

The Ewing Police Department is dedicated to fighting the current opioid epidemic in the state. In an effort to combat the physical effects of the opioid crisis, all officers are issued the opioid reversing drug Naloxone (Narcan) and are trained in its administration. In addition to the carrying of Narcan, the Ewing Police Department has entered into a county wide partnership with The City of Angels to provide counseling and early intervention to those who may have opioid addictions. Below are statistics relating to the number of overdoses reported to police and the number of times Naloxone was administered by police officers as well as the result.

### **Overdoses by Month**

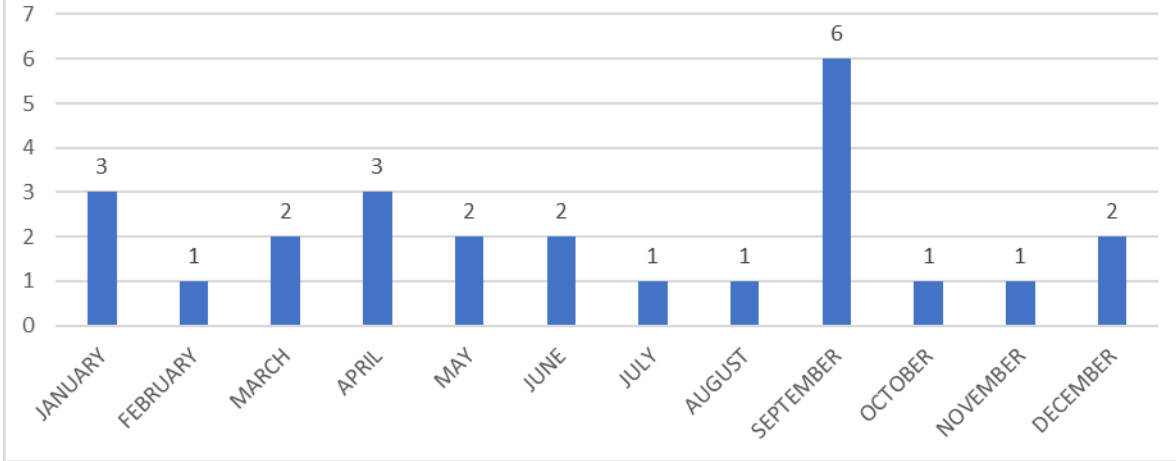
JANUARY	3	12.0%
FEBRUARY	1	4.0%
MARCH	2	8.0%
APRIL	3	12.0%
MAY	2	8.0%
JUNE	2	8.0%
JULY	1	4.0%
AUGUST	1	4.0%
SEPTEMBER	6	24.0%
OCTOBER	1	4.0%
NOVEMBER	1	4.0%
DECEMBER	2	8.0%
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	25	100.0%

### **Yearly Naloxone Use**

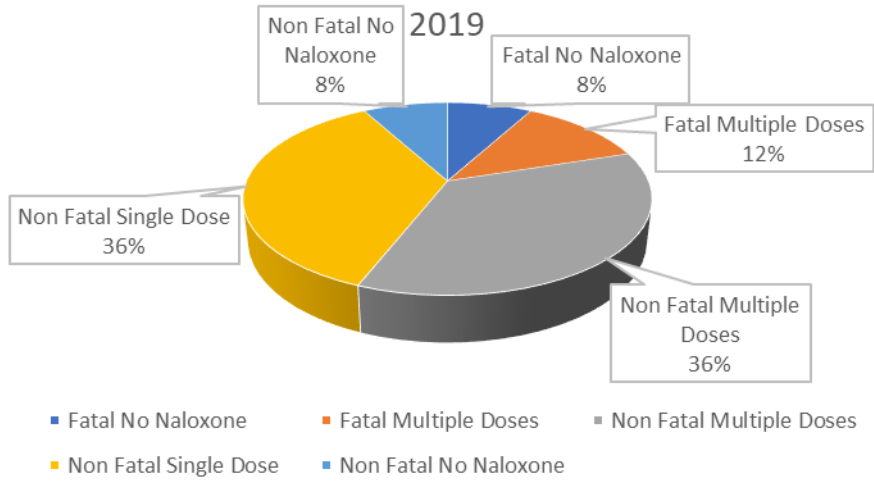
Fatal No Naloxone	2
Fatal Multiple Doses	3
Non-Fatal Multiple Doses	9
Non-Fatal Single Dose	9
Non-Fatal No Naloxone	2



### EWING POLICE DEPARTMENT DRUG OVERDOSES BY MONTH 2019



### EWING POLICE DEPARTMENT DRUG OVERDOSES



## **Departmental Awards \***

### **Officer of The Year**

Detective Michael Pellegrino

### **Life Saving Citation Bar**

Sergeant Christopher Boller  
Officer Mohamed Omara (2)  
Officer Justin Quinlan  
Officer Tyler Finnerty

### **Distinguished Recognition Citation Bar**

Detective David Morris

### **Exceptional Duty Citation Bar**

Detective Julia Caldwell  
Officer Melvin Jumper

### **Chief's Recognition Bar**

Detective Nicholas Muscente  
Officer Brad Steever  
Officer Melvin Jumper  
Officer Charles Wyckoff

### **Civilian Commendation Certificate**

Sean Leary  
Giana Griffiths  
Janet Aguiar  
Beverly Drago  
Mohammed Srouji  
Debra Valentin  
Isabella Van Wagner  
Barbara Puca

*\*Awarded 2019 for acts in 2018/2019*

## Civilian Commendation

**Barbara Puca**

### Life Saving Citation



**Officer Tyler Finnerty**

On May 3, 2018 Officer Tyler Finnerty responded to the residence of a longtime supporter of the ECOPPS organization for a report of an unresponsive male. Investigation revealed Salvatore Puca suffered a heart attack and was in cardiac arrest. He was not breathing and had no pulse. After calling 911 Barbara Puca immediately went into action administering CPR to her husband to save his life. Barbara continued providing CPR to her husband until Officer Finnerty arrived and took over lifesaving efforts. Officer Finnerty continued providing quality CPR to Mr. Puca and applied an Automated External Defibrillator. With the assistance of EMS and after providing multiple shocks to his heart, Mr. Puca was stabilized and transported to the hospital, breathing with a bounding pulse. For her swift action and application of life saving measures as well as her ability to stay calm under pressure, Barbara Puca was awarded a civilian commendation. Because of Officer Finnerty's technical knowledge and expert application of his life saving training he was awarded the lifesaving citation bar.

### Life Saving Citation



**Sergeant Chris Boller, Officer Mohamed Omara and  
Officer Justin Quinlan**

On February 8, 2019 Sergeant Boller, Officer Omara and Officer Quinlan responded to a residence on River Road for a report of a male who had attempted suicide by stabbing himself. Upon arrival they encountered a 61-year-old male who had 5 severe stab wounds to his chest and was bleeding profusely. Officers Omara and Quinlan quickly assessed the patient and began applying gauze and direct pressure to control the bleeding. Sergeant Boller utilized his prior EMT training to assist and direct officers Omara and Quinlan with the patients

care until the scene was able to be deemed safe for EMS. The male was transported to the hospital where he was given the treatment he needed and survived his injuries. It is because of these officer's technical knowledge, teamwork and expert application of their life saving training that this patient was able to survive. It is for these reasons they were awarded the lifesaving citation bar.

## Life Saving Citation



### Officer Mohamed Omara

On December 8, 2018 Officer Omara responded to the 1400 Block of Pennington Road for a report of a male choking. All Ewing EMS units were tied up at the time and mutual aid from the City of Trenton was delayed. Officer Omara arrived on scene and encountered a 69-year-old male with an obstructed airway, choking on a piece of sandwich. After being unable to clear the obstruction with the Heimlich maneuver, Officer Omara conducted a finger sweep and removed the object. The male regained normal breathing at that time and refused any further medical treatment. It is because of Officer Omara's technical knowledge and expert application of his life saving training that this patient was able to survive. It is for these reasons he was awarded the lifesaving citation bar.

## Distinguished Recognition Citation Bar



### Detective David Morris

On February 20, 2019 at 1530 hours officers responded to a residence for a report of a man with a gun, threatening to harm the caller and his mother. Numerous officers responded to the incident, including Detective David Morris, who is a trained Crisis Negotiator. Investigation revealed a male was involved in a family dispute in the residence and was now holding his wife inside, armed with a handgun. After a perimeter was established by patrol, Detective Morris made efforts to establish contact with the male via cellular phone. After approximately 30 minutes, Detective Morris was able to talk the subject out of the residence and have him surrender peacefully to waiting officers. It is because of Detective Morris' technical knowledge and expert application of his negotiation training as well as his perseverance and ability to go above and beyond the call of duty, that this event was able to come to a peaceful conclusion. It is for these reasons he was awarded the Distinguished Recognition Citation Bar.

## Exceptional Duty Citation Bar



### Detective Julia Caldwell

In March 2018 the Ewing Police Department successfully underwent the accreditation process for the New Jersey State Chiefs of Police Association. Accreditation is proof that the department maintains the highest standards and adheres to the best practices established by the New Jersey State Chiefs of Police Association. Completing accreditation is a daunting task which requires the department show proofs of all aspects of its operation over the last three years. Detective Caldwell spent countless hours analyzing the standards and assuring the police department's general orders and policies were in line. Although the entire department collectively played a part in the success of this program, it was Detective Caldwell's tireless effort and determination that allowed the department to achieve this prestigious honor. For a highly credible accomplishment bringing public acclaim to herself, the department and the police profession, Detective Caldwell was awarded the Exceptional Duty Citation Bar.

## Exceptional Duty Citation Bar



### Officer Melvin Jumper

For the year of 2018 Officer Jumper had the most driving under the influence arrests in the department with 12. Due to his relenting pursuit of intoxicated drivers to keep the public safe, he was recognized by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), New Jersey Chapter. For a highly credible accomplishment bringing public acclaim to himself, the department and the police profession, Officer Jumper was awarded the Exceptional Duty Citation Bar.

## Chief's Recognition Bar



### Detective Muscente, Officer Steever and Officer Wyckoff

On January 13, 2019 Officers Steever and Wyckoff responded to a township residence to serve a restraining order on the alleged actor in a domestic dispute. During the course of the investigation they developed probable cause to believe there were distribution quantities of a controlled dangerous substance located in the residence. Following proper procedure, the officers, along with Detective Muscente, applied for and were granted a search warrant to search the residence for illegal narcotics. The resulting search revealed Six ounces of Marijuana, 2 ounces of Cocaine, over four pounds of Methamphetamine and \$97,000.00 in cash. It should be noted, this is believed to be the largest seizure of Methamphetamine in the history of the Ewing Police Department. The investigation concluded with federal drug trafficking charges being lodged against the defendant. It is because of these officer's diligence and perseverance as well as outstanding police performance in this instance that they were awarded the Chief's Recognition Bar.

## Chief's Recognition Bar



### Officer Melvin Jumper

On February 18, 2018 at approximately 1130 hours Officer Jumper was patrolling the area of Parkway and Pennington Road when he observed a parked, suspicious vehicle. Due to a recent carjacking in the area and numerous complaints of narcotics activity, Officer Jumper approached the vehicle to investigate further. After speaking with the driver, Officer Jumper developed probable cause to conduct a search of the vehicle. As a result of the search, over four pounds of marijuana were found along with 32 ounces of hashish oil, all of which were packaged for sale. The occupant of the vehicle was placed under arrest and charged accordingly. It is because of Officer Jumper's diligence and perseverance in this instance that he was awarded the Chief's Recognition Bar.

## Civilian Commendation

### Sean Leary

During the early morning hours of December 4, 2018 units responded to the 1700 Block of Pennington Road for a head on collision involving two vehicles. Arriving units encountered a horrific crash which took the life of one driver and critically injured seven others. Sean Leary, who is a Ewing Township EMT, was off duty and nearby at the time. Hearing the crash, he rushed to help. By the time the first patrol cars arrived, Sean was already triaging patients, determining who were the most critically injured, to establish an order of treatment and extraction. A senior responding officer noted the presence of Sean at the scene and indicated the actions he was taking as officers arrived, set the tone and helped to control an otherwise chaotic situation. Sean's, along with all the first responders' actions that night, undoubtedly saved lives. Because of Sean's technical knowledge and expert application of his life saving training, while off duty and not obligated to do so, he was awarded the Civilian Commendation Award.

## Civilian Commendation

### Gianna Griffiths, Mohammad Srouji, Isabel Van Wagner, Janet Aguiar, Debra Valentin and Beverly Drago

On August 24, 2018 officers and EMS responded to the Ewing Community Center for a report of a drowning victim. Investigation revealed a male had been found unconscious at the bottom of the pool by lifeguards and citizens. Beverly Drago who had been swimming that day, noticed the male at the bottom of the pool and immediately notified lifeguards, Gianna Griffiths, Isabel Van Wagner and Mohammad Srouji. The lifeguards and swimmers quickly entered and removed the victim from the pool. Once poolside, Lifeguard Griffiths along with citizens, Janet Aguiar (who is CPR Certified) and Debra Valentin (a registered nurse), assessed the victim and administered CPR. Lifeguards Srouji and Van Wagner swiftly completed the Ewing Community Center's Emergency Plan by calling 9-1-1, retrieving medical supplies and evacuating the remainder of the pool. As a result of Valentin, Aguiar and Griffiths' lifesaving efforts, the victim regained a pulse, consciousness and was breathing on his own when police and ems arrived. Because of their willingness to get involved and help a fellow citizen as well as their expert application of their life saving training, these individuals were awarded the Civilian Commendation Award.

