

# Ewing Police Department



## Annual Report 2020

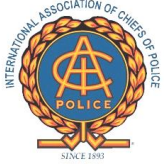
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*Proudly serving Ewing Township since 1928*

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## Message from the Chief

Mayor Bert Steinman,

Attached you will find the 2020 Annual Report for the Ewing Police Department. The report outlines crime data, investigative measures taken, as well as numerous other statistics for the various units within the department. I would like to thank Captain Jeffrey Jacobs for his diligence in completing this year's report. Compiling and presenting this information in an easily understandable format is a daunting task which he undertook without hesitation.

2020 was an unprecedented year in policing as well as our country's history in general. There were many challenges that were presented to the department during the year; the COVID-19 pandemic, the death of George Floyd and the social justice demonstrations that followed, a heated election year, officer retirements, as well as the social and financial implications of all the above.

The death of George Floyd in particular, was a shock to the conscience of the officers of our department. There is not one officer in the Ewing Police Department who was not outraged by what they saw in the video that recorded George Floyd's final moments. What the nation witnessed is not reflective of the officers of the Ewing Police Department. We did not see violence erupt in Ewing Township, in part, because of the practice of our officers ensuring everyone they encounter is treated with respect and dignity. The peaceful demonstrations that followed in Ewing Township, elicited meaningful conversation between the Police Department and the public which we serve. Those conversations continue as we work to ensure the police department and our community never become divided.

Navigating COVID-19 proved to be an ever-changing challenge. Ensuring adequate manpower on the street as well as the safety of our officers and the public, necessitated we change the way we do business. Our focus has been on limiting exposures as much as possible, while still providing the best possible law enforcement service to the community.

As in 2019, the department underwent additional restructuring in 2020. Several supervisory officers retired during the year to include Chief John Stemler III. Chief Stemler served the Township of Ewing for over 27 years with great honor and distinction. His leadership and commitment has made the department the professional organization that it is today. In his absence, the department will continue to strive for excellence in service to the community.

Through all these crucibles, we have grown closer as a community and have strengthened our partnerships with one another. The women and men of the Ewing Police Department met these challenges head on and continue to provide the professional, dedicated service that the citizens of Ewing Township deserve.

We, as a department, look forward to continuing to work with you, council, and the community in the coming year to ensure Ewing Township remains a safe place to live. Our number one priority is keeping the trust we have built with our citizens and maintaining their safety. Know that you can ALWAYS count on the women and men of the Ewing Police Department to answer the call.

*Albert F. Rhodes*  
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

**EWING POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

THE MISSION OF THE  
EWING POLICE DEPARTMENT  
IS TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP  
WITH THE COMMUNITY  
TO PROVIDE SERVICE  
AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS,  
TO ENFORCE THE LAW,  
PRESERVE THE PEACE,  
REDUCE FEAR AND ENHANCE THE  
QUALITY OF LIFE  
WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY.



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.





## EWING POLICE DEPARTMENT SWORN PERSONNEL

### Roster by Badge Numbers

145	Daniel	McGuire	215	Christopher	DeAngelo
150	Frank	Kownacky	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	McClister
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	Hurley			
203	Christopher	Messick			
205	Jonathan	Bag			
206	Brittney	Fornarotto			
207	Mohamed	Omara			
209	Melvin	Jumper			
210	David	Danley			
211	Corey	Fornarotto			
212	Luis	Martir			
213	Austin	Woolverton			
214	Karl	Kelly			

## 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  
Kristi Seijas

## Department Strength and Balance

### Sworn Personnel

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
<b>Total Officers</b>	68	72	75	75	83	82	83	75

### RETIRED 2020

Chief John Stemler #127  
Officer Gerald Davis # 143  
Sergeant John Kucker # 140  
Detective Patrick Holt # 138

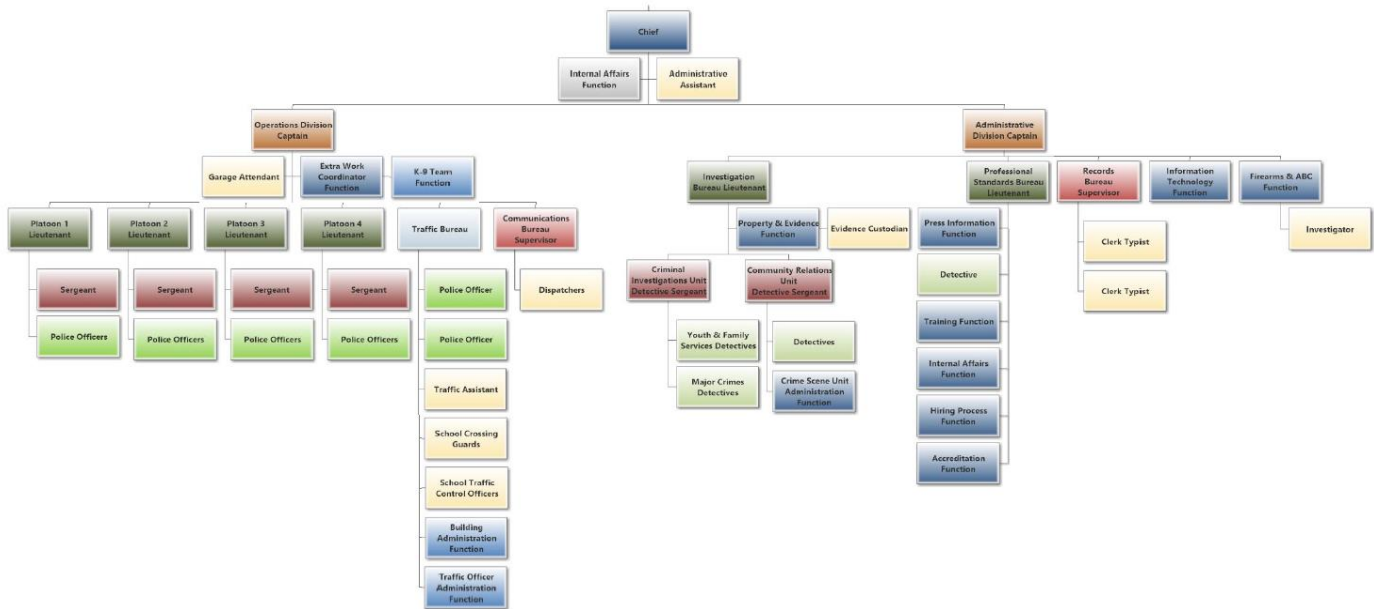
### Hired 2020

There were no hires in 2020



## Department Organization

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



### 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.

### 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 one Sergeant 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.

## **Criminal Investigations 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 Relations Unit**

The Community Relations Unit is tasked to work hand in hand with the community and its many resources to improve the quality of life in our town. The Community Relations Unit is under the command of a Sergeant who reports to the Detective Bureau Lieutenant. Community Relations 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 Relations 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 primarily comprised of civilian support personnel. Within this division are the Records, Communications Center, and Information Technology Units. Communications is comprised of nine dispatchers and one civilian supervisor 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 one civilian supervisor and one civilian clerk. 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 supervisor is responsible for Uniform Crime Reporting and the National Incident-Based Reporting System.

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 utilized 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	2017	2018	2019	2020
Crime Index Total	819	754	567	453
Crime Rate per 1,000 residents	22.6	20.9	15.7	12.5

### DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

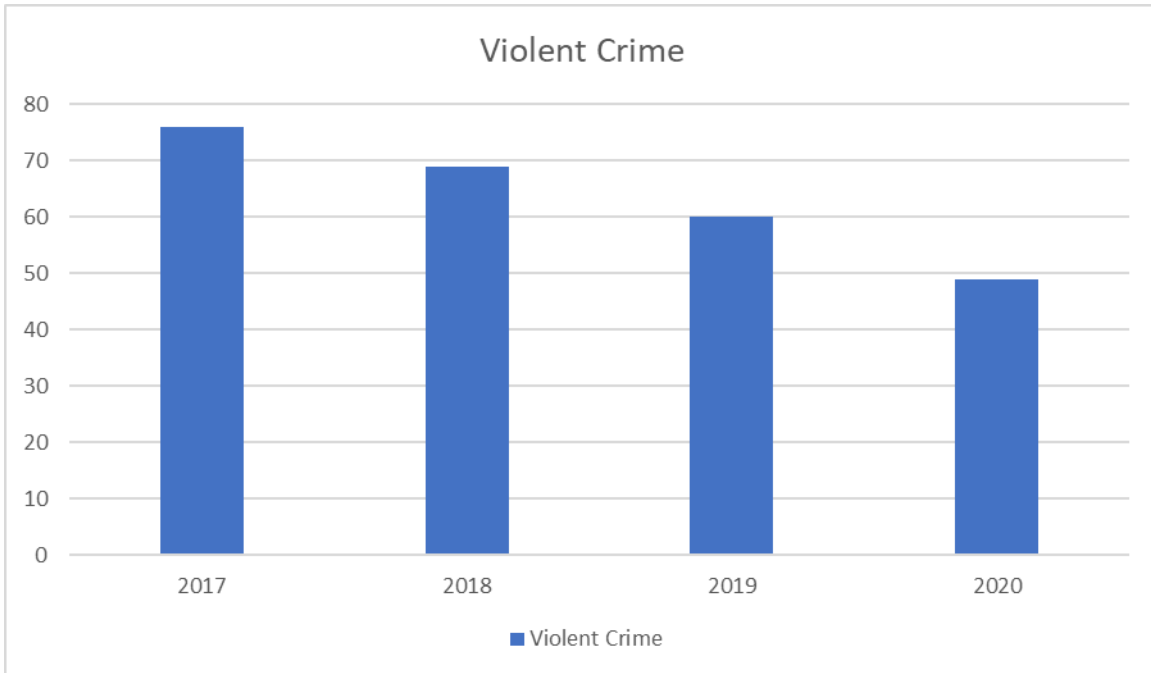
Ewing	2017	2018	2019	2020
Estimated Population	36,252	36,142	36,142	36,303
Area in Square Miles	15.3	15.3	15.3	15.3
Density per Square Miles	2369.4	2362.2	2362.2	2372.7

# VIOLENT CRIMES

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

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

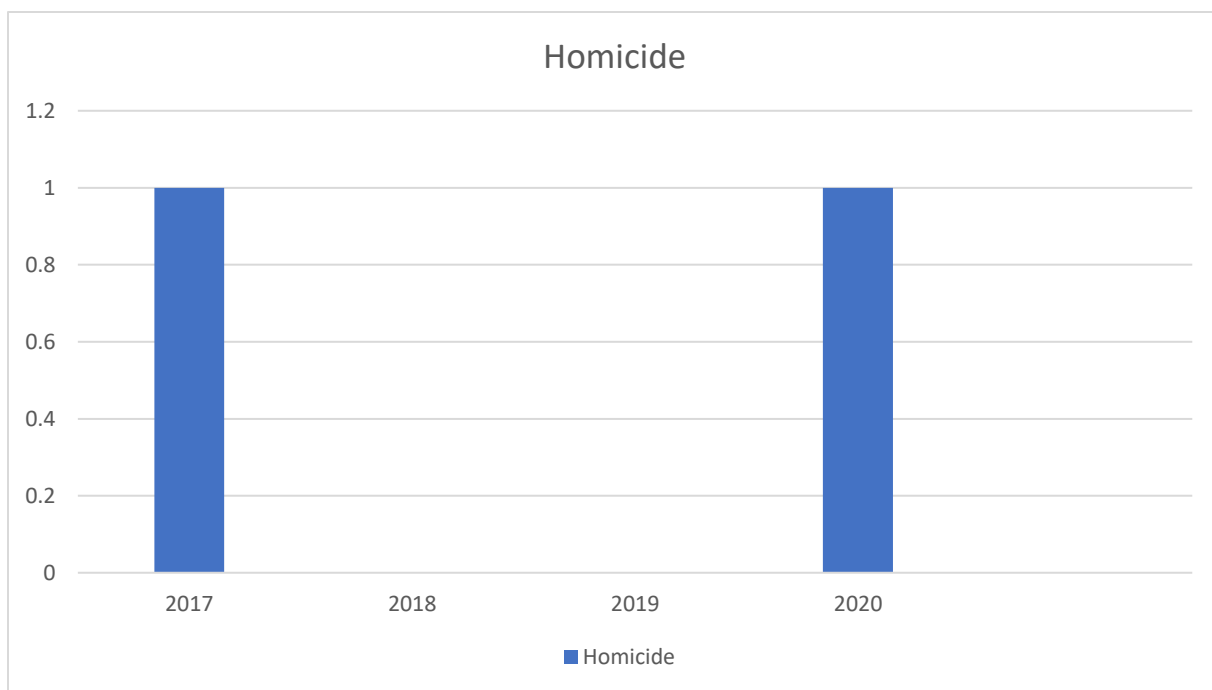
Violent crimes are defined in the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program as those offenses which involve force or threat of force.



Ewing	2017	2018	2019	2020
Violent Crimes	76	69	60	49

# HOMICIDE

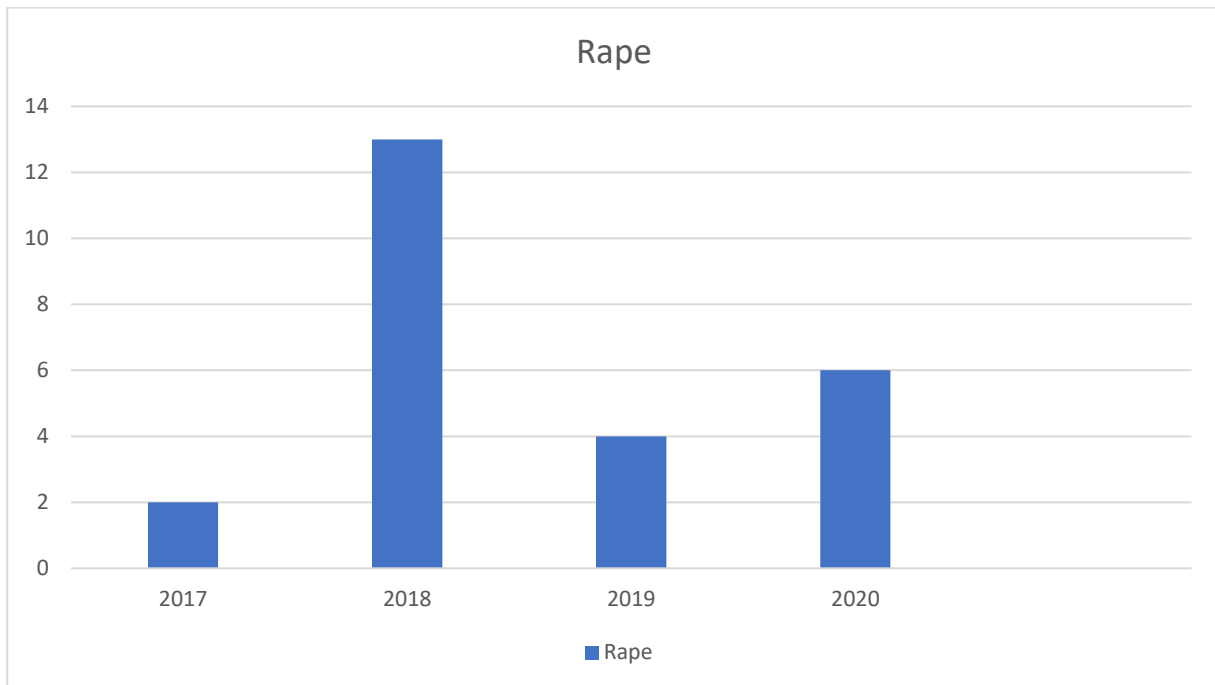
**Definition:** The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program defines murder and non negligent manslaughter as the willful (non negligent) killing of one human being by another. The classification of this offense is based solely on police investigation as opposed to the determination of a court, medical 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	2017	2018	2019	2020
Murder	1	0	0	1

# 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.

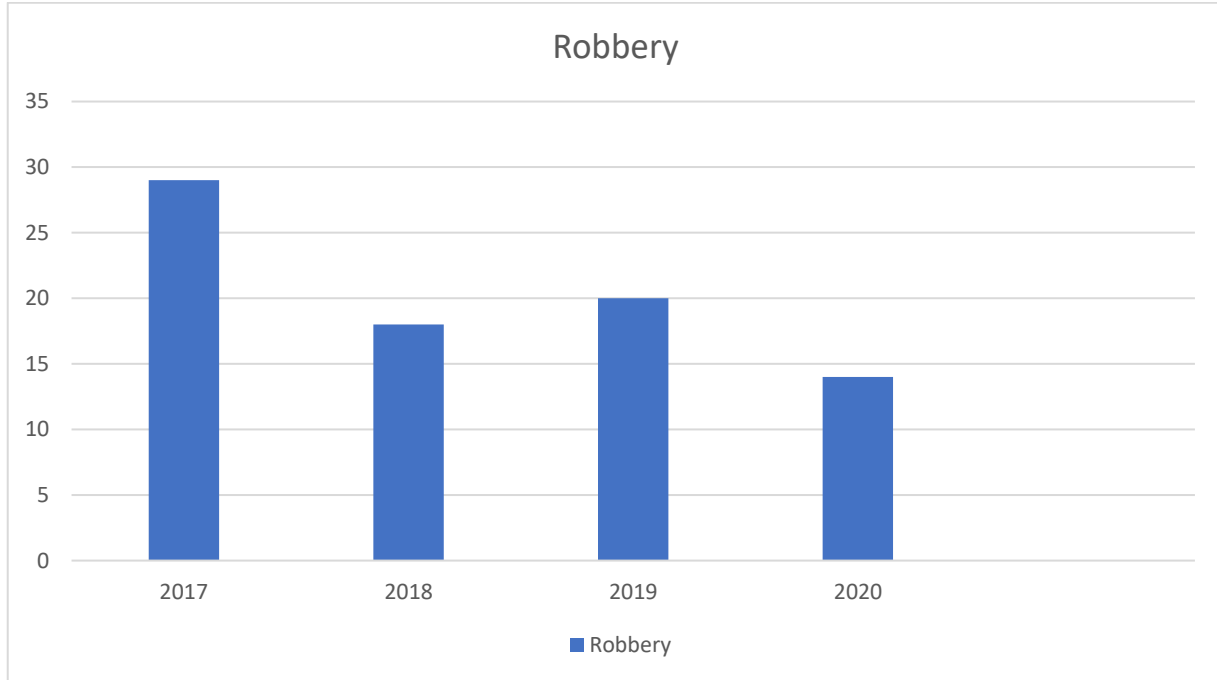


Ewing	2017	2018	2019	2020
Rape	2	13	4	6



# ROBBERY

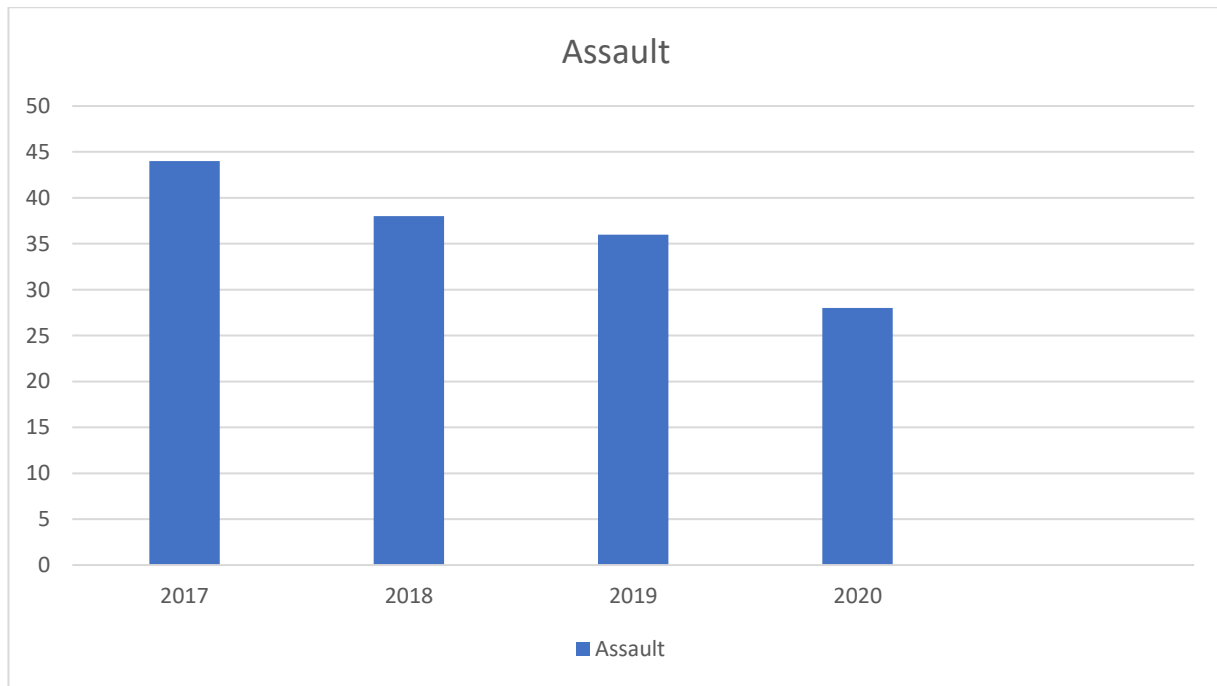
**Definition:** Robbery is the taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.



Ewing	2017	2018	2019	2020
Robbery	29	18	20	14

# 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.



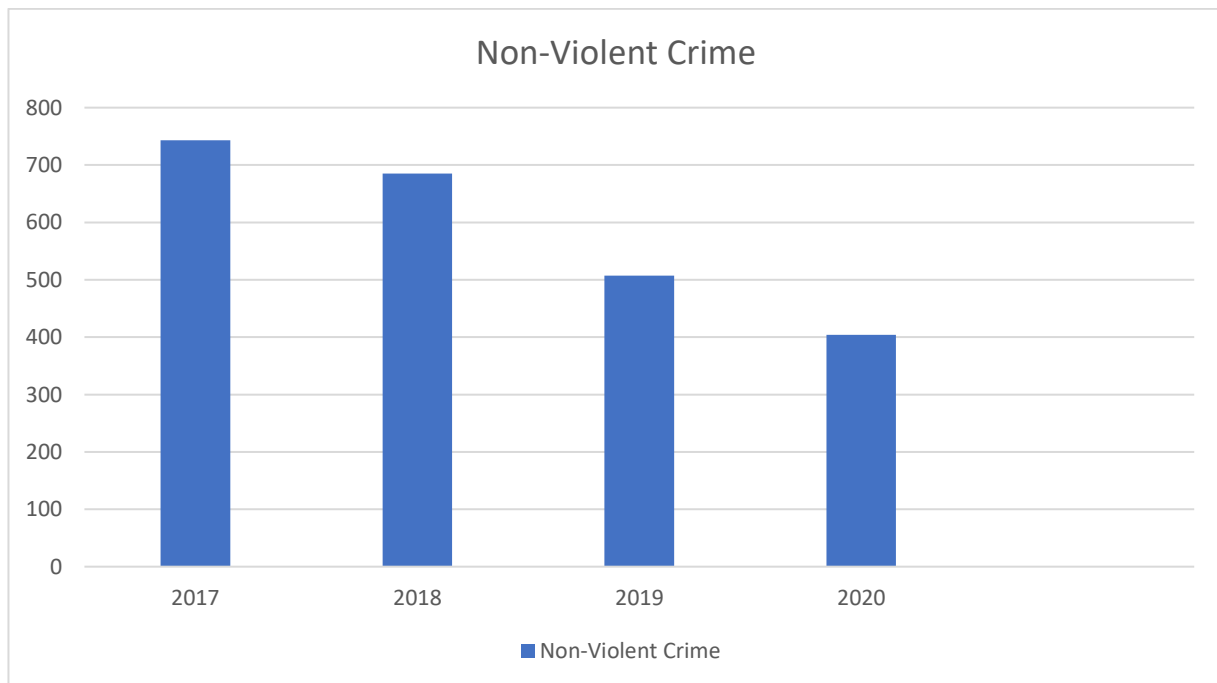
Ewing	2017	2018	2019	2020
Assault	44	38	36	28

# NON-VIOLENT CRIME

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

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

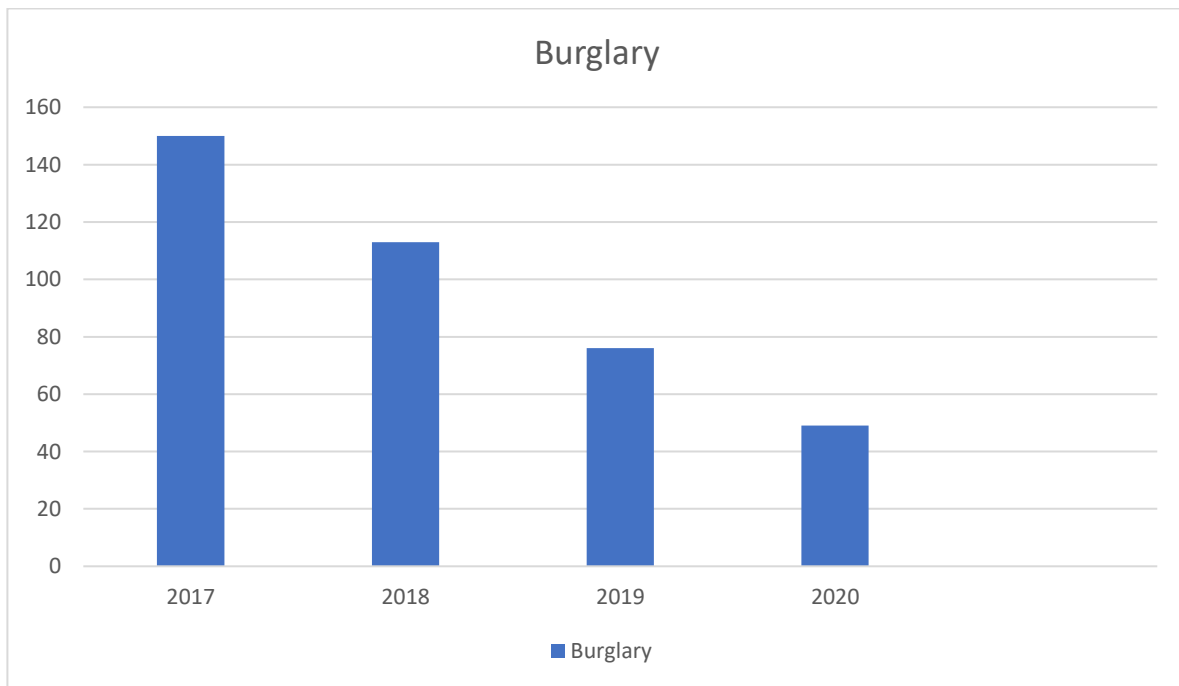
The object of the theft-type offenses is the taking of money or property, but there is no force or threat of force against the victims. The property crime category includes arson because the offense involves the destruction of property, however, arson victims may be subjected to force. Because of limited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



Ewing	2017	2018	2019	2020
Non-Violent Crime	743	685	507	404

# BURGLARY

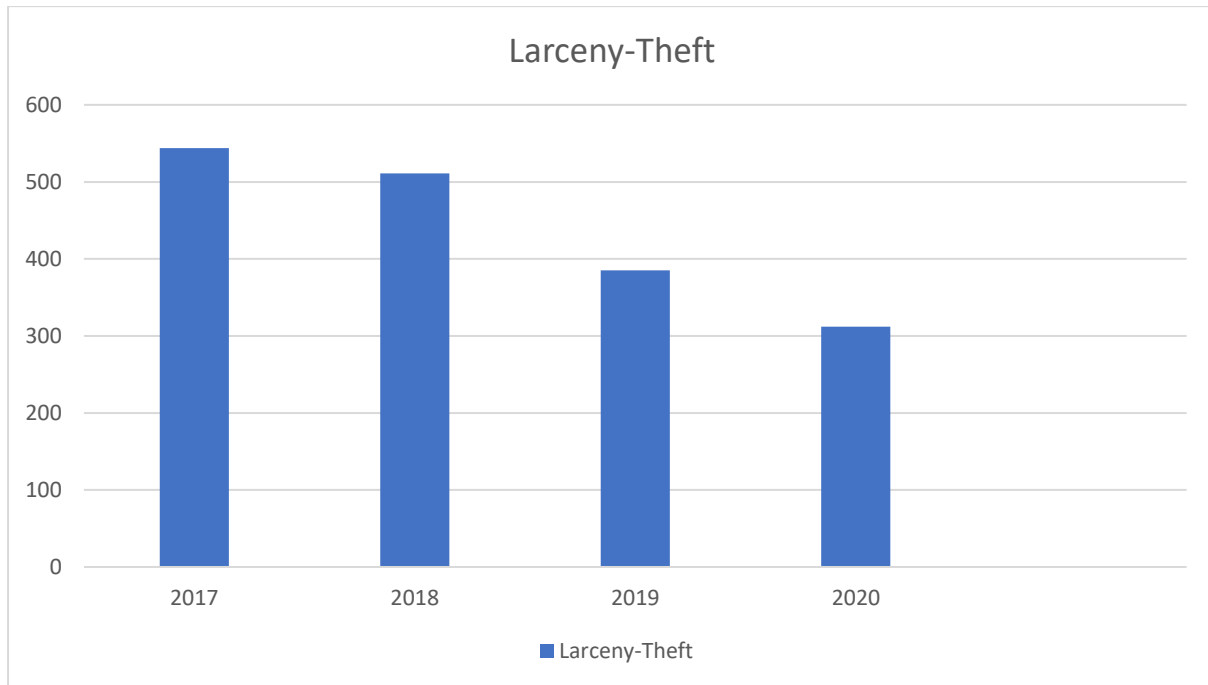
**Definition:** The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program defines burglary as the unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or theft. To classify an offense as a burglary, the use of force to gain entry need not have occurred. The Program has three sub classifications for burglary: forcible entry, 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	2017	2018	2019	2020
Burglary	150	113	76	49

# LARCENY - THEFTS

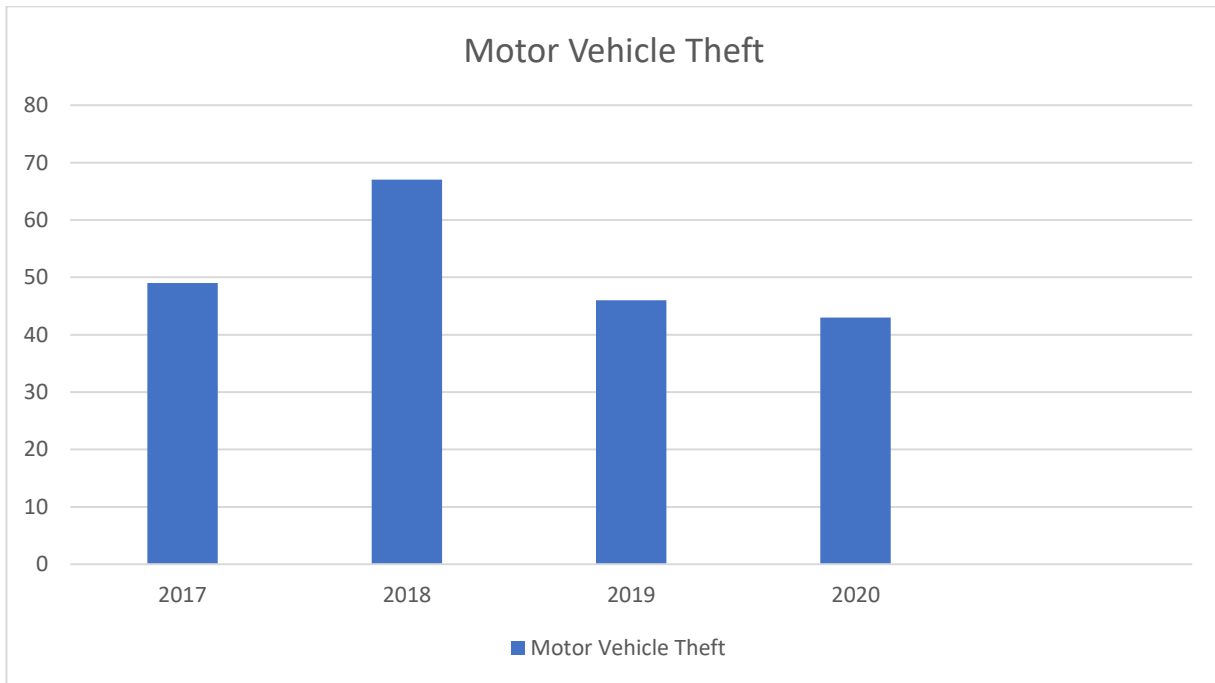
**Definition:** The UCR Program defines larceny-theft as the unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another. Examples are thefts of bicycles, motor vehicle parts and accessories, shoplifting, pocket-picking, or the stealing of 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	2017	2018	2019	2020
Larceny - Thefts	544	511	385	312

# MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

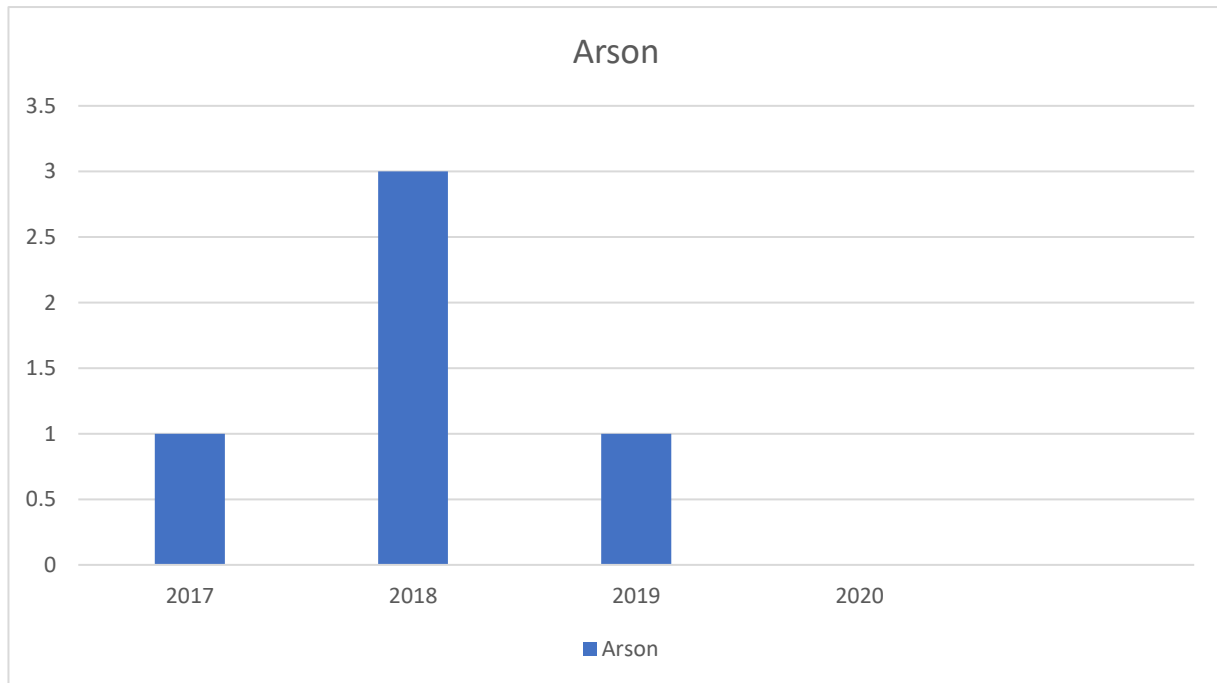
**Definition:** The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program defines motor vehicle theft as the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. In the UCR Program, a motor vehicle is a self-propelled vehicle which runs on land surfaces and not on rails. Examples of motor vehicles include sport utility vehicles, 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	2017	2018	2019	2020
Motor Vehicle Theft	49	61	46	43

# ARSON

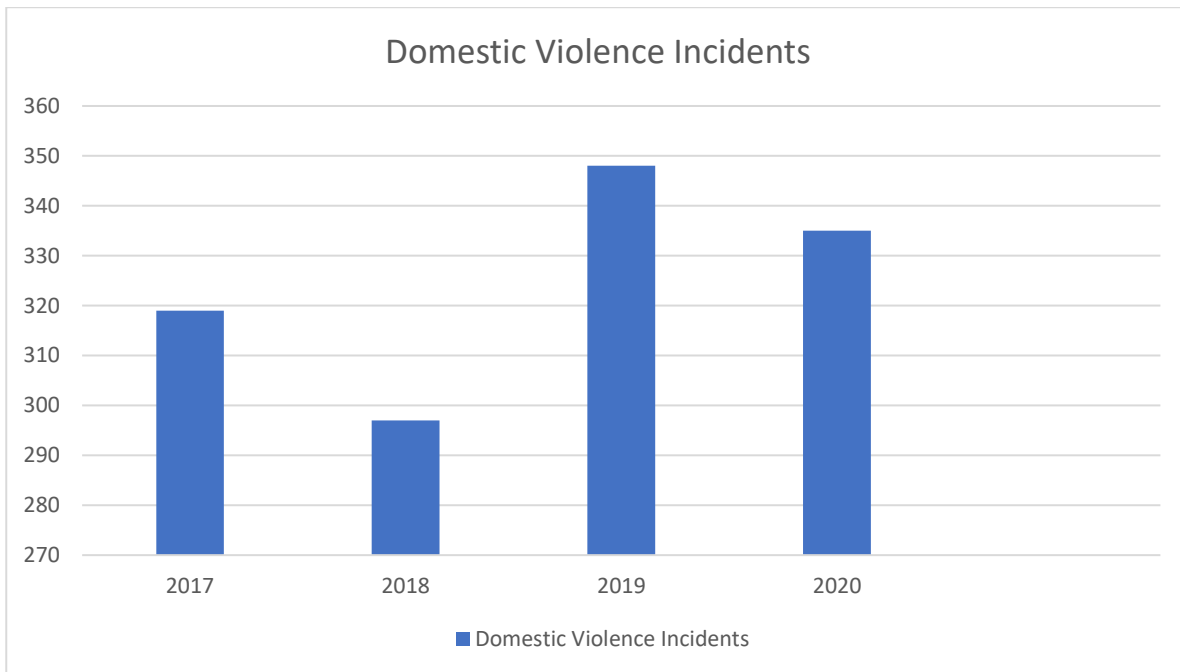
**Definition:** The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program defines arson as any willful or malicious burning or attempting to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.



Ewing	2017	2018	2019	2020
Arson	1	3	1	0

# 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.

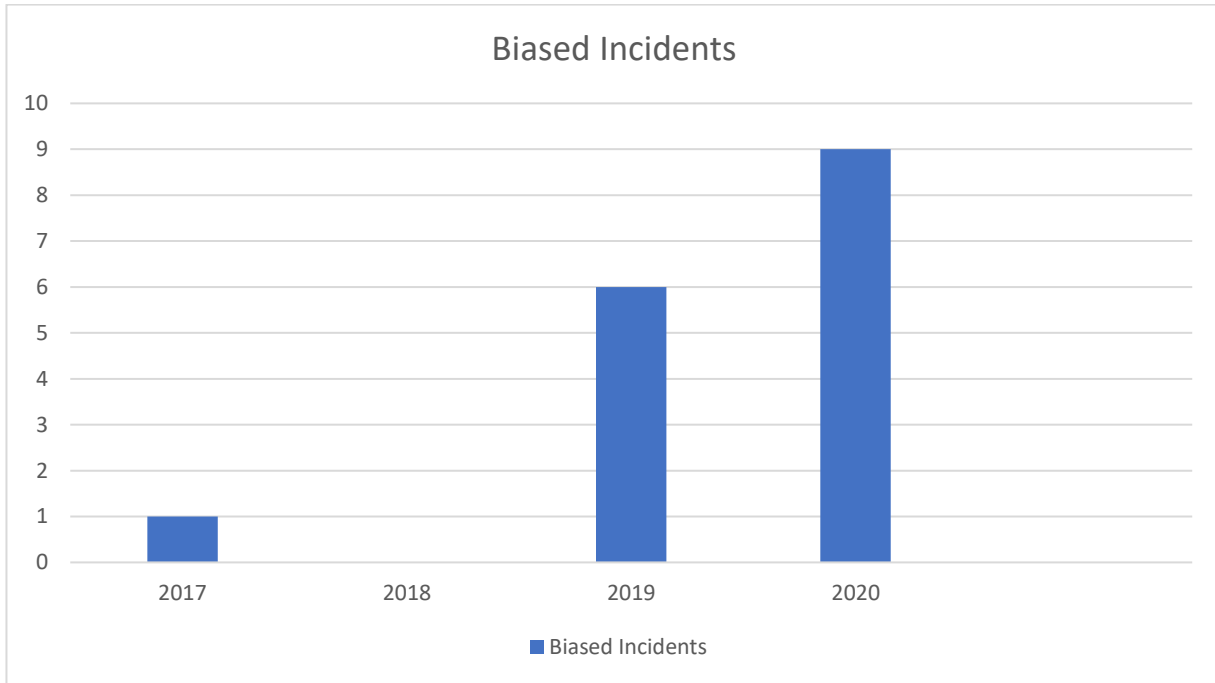


Ewing	2017	2018	2019	2020
Domestic Violence	319	297	348	335



# 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	2017	2018	2019	2020
Bias Incidents	1	0	6	9

The increase in bias incidents in Ewing followed a statewide trend. According to statistics released by the New Jersey Attorney General’s Office, bias incidents increased almost 75% in 2019 from 2018. Although the 2020 numbers have not been released at the time of this report, it is anticipated that Ewing is within the state average. Regardless of statewide numbers, the increase is concerning and not an average we are content with. The increase in Ewing is due in part to an increase of incidents occurring on social media platforms. Additionally, the New Jersey Attorney General has encouraged victims of suspected bias incidents to come forward and even created an online portal for reporting such incidents. Ewing has directed its officers to be ever vigilant of incidents that may be bias in nature but not reported as such. We also routinely direct our officers to provide extra attention to potential targets of bias incidents based on ever changing world and nationwide events. Ewing has two detectives that handle all the bias crimes in the township. The detectives and their supervisors have received and continue to receive the latest training on bias crime investigations. Those detectives also work closely with the Ewing schools to identify and investigate such incidents. All suspected bias incidents are jointly and thoroughly investigated by the Ewing Police Department and the Mercer County Prosecutor’s Office Bias Crimes Unit.

## 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 10 certified 9-1-1 dispatcher/call takers. The center also handles all phone calls placed to our main number of 882-1313.

### Year 2020 Statistics for our 911/Dispatch Center

Total number of 911 calls received by our department.....	<b>18,486</b>
<u>Total number of telephone calls received on "882-1313".....</u>	<u><b>57,759</b></u>
Total number of incoming 911 and telephone calls handled by our dispatchers....	<b>76,245</b>

The average answer time of a "911" call in 2020 was **3** seconds.

The average answer time of a "882-1313" call in 2020 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

1/1/2020 – 12/31/2020



### **Zone Total Calls**

DISTRICT 1	21,930
DISTRICT 2	5,425
OUT OF TOWN	523
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,878</b>

**Ewing Police**  
**CALLS FOR SERVICE**  
**TWO YEAR COMPARISON BY TYPE 2019-2020**

Call Type	2020 Calls	2019 Calls	% Change
ABANDON 911 CALL	282	436	-35.32%
ABANDON MV	6	11	-45.45%
ABC INSPECTION	1	3	-66.67%
ALARM – ELEVATOR	1	1	0.00%
ALARM-BUS	969	1075	-9.86%
ALARM-RES	543	730	-25.62%
ALRM-VEHICLE	8	15	-46.67%
AMB ASSIST	14	3	366.67%
ANIMAL BITE	18	23	-21.74%
ANML COMPLNT	395	494	-20.04%
ARSON	0	1	-100.00%
ASSAULT – KNIFE OR CUTTING INSTR	4	2	100.00%
ASSAULT – OTHER (SIMPLE)	5	8	-37.50%
ASSAULT ON OFF	2	1	100.00%
ASSAULT W/FIREARM	2	2	0.00%
ASSAULTS	78	85	-8.24%
ASSIST FD/PW	7	15	-53.33%
ASST.OTH.AGC	360	355	1.41%
ATTEMPT AUTO THEFT	1	1	0.00%
ATTEMPT BURGLARY	16	19	-15.79%
ATTEMPT SUICIDE	16	14	14.29%
BICYCLE REGISTRATION	3	0	-
BIKE PATROL	10	33	-69.70%
BURGLARY	64	99	-35.35%
BURGLARY – FORCIBLE ENTRY	1	1	0.00%
BWC FAILURE	221	138	60.14%
CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM	77	71	8.45%
CARE CALLOUT	5	0	-
CHILD ABUSE	68	113	-39.82%
CHILD SEAT CHECK	25	19	31.58%
CITIZEN ASST	1815	1484	22.30%
CITZ. COMPLAINT - COLLEGE	25	19	31.58%
CITZ.COMPLT	427	307	39.09%
CIVIL MATTER	83	72	15.28%
COURT	4	7	-42.86%
CRIM MISCHIEF	195	159	22.64%
CRU DETAIL	292	116	151.72%
CRU DETAIL - ASSOC MTG	1	1	0.00%
CRU DETAIL - COMM EVENT	1	14	-92.86%
CUSTOMER DISPUTE	149	180	-17.22%
DEATH/HOSPICE	2	5	-60.00%
DEATH/UNATND	51	50	2.00%
DISABLED VEH	280	371	-24.53%
DISORDERLY PER	427	433	-1.39%

DOMEST.DSPTE	558	419	33.17%
DRG-USE/POSN	27	37	-27.03%
DROWNING	0	0	-
DRUG OVERDOSE	30	20	50.00%
DRUNKENESS	35	46	-23.91%
DUPLICATE CALL- IGNORE	13	27	-51.85%

DVVRT CALL OUT	21	28	-25.00%
DWI	54	68	-20.59%
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	11	9	22.22%
EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED PERSON	256	175	46.29%
ENDANGERED PERSON - REGISTRATION	7	9	-22.22%
FALSE PUBLIC ALARMS	3	1	200.00%
FAMILY CRISIS	201	137	46.72%
FIGHTING	123	126	-2.38%
FINGERPRINTS COND DISMISSAL	1	1	0.00%
FINGERPRINTS HQ	3	9	-66.67%
FIRE	167	176	-5.11%
FIRE ALM SYS	384	436	-11.93%
FLOOD COND	12	15	-20.00%
FOOT PATROL	155	475	-67.37%
FOUND/RECOVERED ARTI	122	122	0.00%
FRAUD	276	269	2.60%
GAMBLING	2	2	0.00%
GAS LEAK-NAT	86	124	-30.65%
GAS LEAK/VEH	8	4	100.00%
HARASMNT-ALL	361	335	7.76%
HAZMAT	4	5	-20.00%
HELMET REWARD	0	23	-100.00%
HOLDUP ALARM	38	36	5.56%
IMPERSONATE POLICE O	0	0	-
INJURED PERSONS	351	400	-12.25%
JUVEN OFFENSE	57	64	-10.94%
K9 DEPLOYMENT	51	20	155.00%
KIDNAP/ABDUCT	1	1	0.00%
LANDLORD DISPUTE	37	38	-2.63%
LARCY-THEFTS	375	314	19.43%
LEWD/IND EXPOS	7	2	250.00%
LIQUOR LAWS	0	0	-
LOCKOUT BUILD	5	13	-61.54%
LOCKOUT MV	24	33	-27.27%
LST.ARTICLES	46	55	-16.36%
LURING	0	1	-100.00%
M/P RTN/LOC	40	49	-18.37%
MEDICINE DROP BOX	9	20	-55.00%
MISSING PERSON ADULT	52	53	-1.89%
MISSING PERSON JUVENILE	79	68	16.18%

MV CITZ COMPT	480	534	-10.11%
MV DAMAGE NON/ACC	34	38	-10.53%
MV IMPOUNDED	0	1	-100.00%
MV JUNK VEH	28	19	47.37%
MV REPO STANDBY	1	0	-
MV STOP	2335	6403	-63.53%
MV THEFT/AUTO	76	82	-7.32%
MV THFT - TRUCK	1	1	0.00%
MV THFT.FROM	119	147	-19.05%
MV-SUSPICIOUS	514	628	-18.15%
MV.AC.NO.INJ	925	1138	-18.72%
MV.ACC. W/INJ	124	164	-24.39%

MV.HIT/RUN	216	228	-5.26%
NEIGHB DISP	137	80	71.25%
NOTIFY/MSG	97	122	-20.49%
OBJECT IN ROADWAY	95	125	-24.00%
OFF FOLLOWUP	735	682	7.77%
OFF MEAL BREAK	2	0	-
OPEN PROP	57	91	-37.36%
PARKING VIOL	355	841	-57.79%
PASSING ATTN	4544	2859	58.94%
PEDESTRIAN STOP	36	83	-56.63%
PEEPING TOM	1	1	0.00%
POLICE INFO	305	352	-13.35%
POS STL PROP	0	0	-
POS.WEAP.OTH	3	5	-40.00%
POSS.DRUGS	3	8	-62.50%
POSSESSION OF FIREARM	1	1	0.00%
PRIS.CK/MEAL	10	18	-44.44%
PRIS.TRANS	11	35	-68.57%
PROPERTY CHECK	61	116	-47.41%
PROWLER	4	1	300.00%
RADAR POST	28	71	-60.56%
REC STOL VEH	22	44	-50.00%
REC VEH OTHER AGENCY	15	18	-16.67%
REPORT WRITING	29	3	866.67%
RES MEDICAL ALARM	293	141	107.80%
RES PANIC ALARM	50	70	-28.57%
RESTRAIN ORDER/SERVE	159	140	13.57%
RESTRAIN ORDER/VIOLA	85	54	57.41%
ROBBERY	7	13	-46.15%
ROBBERY - STRONGARM	1	1	0.00%
ROBBERY W/FIREARM	4	4	0.00%
SCHOOL MONITORING	167	574	-70.91%
SCHOOL POST	376	974	-61.40%
SERVICE CALL EQUIPME	54	54	0.00%

SEX OFFENDER CHECK	11	8	37.50%
SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION	84	68	23.53%
SEXUAL ASSLT	25	23	8.70%
SHOPLIFTING	230	288	-20.14%
SHOTS FIRED	41	22	86.36%
SICK PERSON	2190	2256	-2.93%
SPEC.DETAIL	46	47	-2.13%
ST LITE OUT	4	6	-33.33%
STORM DAMAGE	49	47	4.26%
STREET CLOSING	57	68	-16.18%
SUICIDE	4	2	100.00%
SUSP ARTICLE	15	17	-11.76%
SUSP.PERSON	743	739	0.54%
TERRORISTIC THREATS	42	30	40.00%
TEST	5	19	-73.68%
TRAF DETAIL	64	86	-25.58%
TRAF SGN DWN	19	39	-51.28%
TRAF SIGN/OT	51	33	54.55%

TRAINING	13	18	-27.78%
TRANSPORTS	19	19	0.00%
TRESPASS	88	91	-3.30%
TWP CODE VIO	240	173	38.73%
TWP ORD NOIS	343	229	49.78%
Twp. Ordinance Noise-College Rental	47	56	-16.07%
Twp. Ordinance Noise-Rental	2	1	100.00%
UNKNOWN TROUBLE	263	110	139.09%
VEHICLE CHECK	8	1	700.00%
VEHICLE RELEASE	288	159	81.13%
WARRANT SER	239	457	-47.70%
WATER LK - BUS	1	6	-83.33%
WATER LK-HSE	9	22	-59.09%
WATER LK/ST	24	46	-47.83%
WATER RESCUE	2	1	100.00%
WELFARE CHECK	293	246	19.11%
WIRE/POL.DWN	139	129	7.75%
	<u>29344</u>	<u>33777</u>	<u>-13.12%</u>



## 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 2018-2020**

<b>EWING TOWNSHIP</b>	2018	2019	2020
<b>Excessive Force</b>	9	1	0
<b>Improper Arrest</b>	1	0	1
<b>Improper Entry</b>	0	0	0
<b>Improper Search</b>	0	2	2
<b>Differential Treatment</b>	3	3	0
<b>Demeanor</b>	13	5	4
<b>Rules/Regs Violations</b>	18	16	16
<b>Other Criminal Violations</b>	1	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	45	28	23

**Dispositions Three-Year Comparison 2018-2020**

<b>EWING TOWNSHIP</b>	2018	2019	2020
<b>Sustained</b>	13	9	9
<b>Not Sustained</b>	10	8	4
<b>Exonerated</b>	11	3	3
<b>Unfounded</b>	6	4	6
<b>Administratively Closed</b>	0	3	1
<b>Open</b>	5	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	45	28	23

### Incident Types with Dispositions 2020

<b>EWING 2020</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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Improper Arrest	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Improper Entry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Improper Search	2	0	0	0	2	0	0
Differential Treatment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Demeanor	4	0	1	1	2	0	0
Rules/Regs Violations	16	3	6	2	6	3	0
Criminal Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</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 Activity Report 2020

Training Ewing's Police Officers in the year 2020 was challenging to say the least. With the COVID-19 pandemic and ensuing governmental executive orders put in place to limit indoor capacity, in person training was almost non-existent. Most of the in-person training that was scheduled after March of 2020 was canceled. The New Jersey Attorney General provided guidance that required only one firearms qualification for 2020 rather than the usually required two per year. The Ewing Police Department shifted to virtual learning when it was available, however, some training simply cannot be done virtually. We have adapted, much like the rest of the country, in coming up with innovative ways to keep our officers trained. When in person training was permitted and feasible, proper social distancing and other measures were utilized to maintain the health and safety of our officers. Considering events that occurred in law enforcement in 2020, all officers were required to attend virtual training in Implicit Bias and De-escalation. This training was in addition to any training required by the Attorney General.

<b>Training Activity</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Mental Health	144
Administrative	8
Leadership/Supervision	40
Communications	80
Criminal Investigations	142
Crime Scene Investigation	584
Training Unit	40
Firearms	644
Narcotics	288
K-9	968
Patrol Related	224
Records Management	11
Bias Crimes	9
Mercer County Rapid Response	288
State Mandated Domestic Violence/PR-24/OC Spray etc.	438
Traffic	160
<b>Report Totals</b>	<b>4024</b>



## Training Highlights 2020

- \*Detective Sgt. Flynn and Detectives Bethea, Brower, Digristina, Hoarn, Maldonado and Przemieniecki attended Search and Seizure for Proactive Policing on January 23, 2020.
- \*Officer R. Jones attended a 5-day Methods of Instruction course starting on February 5, 2020.
- \*Officers C. Fornarotto and Jibbou attended Heavy Truck Enforcement on February 19, 2020.
- \*Lt. Morgan attended Public Information Officer Update on February 19, 2020.
- \*Officers N. Jones and Martir attended a 2-day Comprehensive Interview Program, starting February 20, 2020.
- \*Officers McClister and Wyckoff attended Courtroom Testimony on February 21, 2020.
- \*Detective Sgt. Litz and Det. Morris attended a 2-day Human Trafficking seminar, starting February 25, 2020.
- \*Officer C. Fornarotto attended USPS Firearms Training on February 26, 2020.
- \*Detective Condrat attended a 5-day course, Advanced Homicide/Violent Crimes, starting March 2, 2020.
- \*Sgt. Santiago and Det. Vagnozzi attended a 2-day Basic Rifle Operator course starting March 2, 2020.
- \*Officer N. Miller attended a 3-day course, Inside the Tape Homicide Investigation, on March 2, 2020.
- \*Sgt. Tettermer, Det. Bethea and Officer Bag attended the Child Safety Seat Refresher on March 5, 2020.
- \* Detective Sgt. Flynn and Detectives Bethea, Brower, Digristina, Przemieniecki and Ubry attended a 6-day course, Basic Tactical Narcotics Training, starting March 6, 2020.
- \*Officer Culotta attended a 4-day New Jersey State Police Alcotest Operator course, starting March 9, 2020.
- \*Officer Finnerty attended a 2-day Master Resiliency Officer Training course, starting on March 9, 2020.
- \*Officer McCall attended a 4-day Patrol Bicycle School, starting on July 7, 2020.
- \*Lt. Morgan attended a 5-day FBI-LEEDA Executive Leadership course, starting July 13, 2020.
- \*Officer R. Jones attended a 16-week K-9 Patrol Dog Course, starting on August 3, 2020.
- \*Chief Stemler, Lt. Jacobs, Detectives Morris and Przemieniecki attended the Glock Armorer's Course on August 11, 2020.
- \*Officers Finnerty, Martir and McCall attended a 2-day Resiliency Officer Update, starting on September 9, 2020.
- \*Officer McCall attended a 4-day Child Safety Seat Inspector course, starting on September 21, 2020.
- \*Sgt. Santiago, Officers B. Fornarotto and Finnerty attended a 2-day Resiliency Officer Update, starting on September 23, 2020.

## Firearms and Records Statistics 2020

Firearms applications	884
Applications approved	709
Applications withdrawn	137
Applications denied	8
Applications carried into 2021	30

## 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.

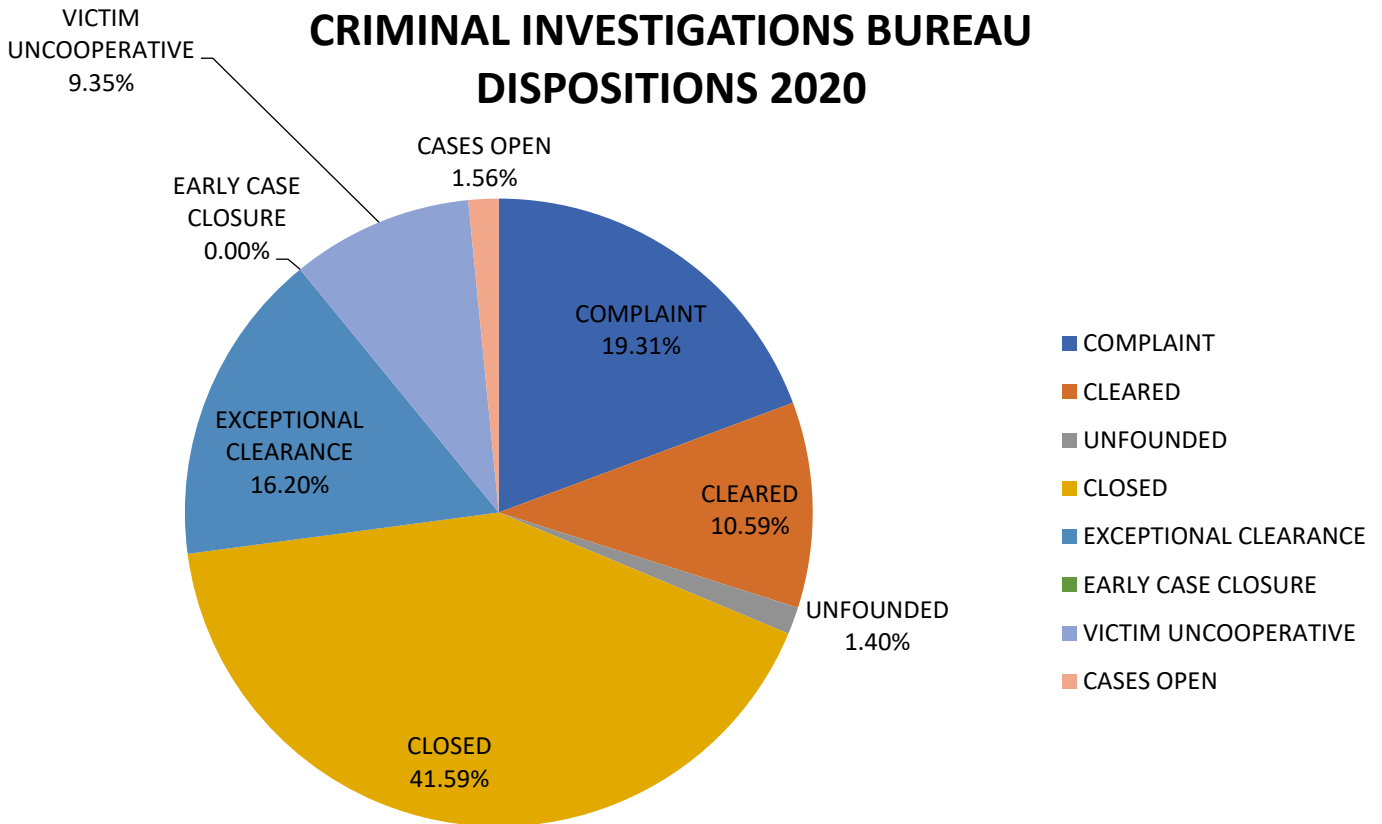
### Workload Report 2020

<u>Item Status</u>	<u>Transfers</u>
Item Collected	1887
Stored in Location	3082
To Lab	140
From Lab	178
Returned to Owner	78
Destroyed	962
Received by Lab	3
Transferred to Other Agency	257
Signed Out for Review	82
Received into Property Room	1783
Item Submitted into Property	1920

## Criminal Investigation Bureau

The Criminal Investigation Bureau (CIB) is responsible for conducting all major criminal investigations and follow-up investigations on selected cases. The CIB is comprised of one lieutenant, one sergeant, and six detectives. CIB 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 CIB hosts a multi-jurisdictional meeting of police personnel to share information concerning criminal activity. These meetings were not held most of 2020 due to COVID-19. Information sharing was done virtually.

## EWING POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU DISPOSITIONS 2020



### 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**

#### 2020

Age at Time of Offense	Race	Sex	Offense	Outcome
13	B	Male	Cyber Harassment	1-Successfully completed
14	H	Male	Endangering Welfare Child	1-Successfully completed

**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 2020

**Unit K9 Teams**

Officer R. Jones #159  
 Officer T. Kownacky #150  
 Officer B. Fornarotto #206  
 Officer L. Ruiz #196

K-9 Jett (German Shepherd) – Patrol / Narcotics  
 K-9 Ace (German Shepherd)- Patrol / Explosives  
 K-9 Jax (Belgian Malinois) – Patrol / Narcotics  
 K-9 Ingo (German Shepherd) – Patrol / Narcotics



## K-9 Calls for Service

Total Calls 77

Type Call #  
(one call may be listed multiple times below)

Drug Sniff	24
Building searches	28
Bomb Sniff	3
Assist other agencies	19
Missing persons	3
Tracks	10
Article	5



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.

## 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 **859 motor vehicle collisions** throughout 2020, of which 94 resulted in personal injury and 3 resulted in fatalities.

## 2020 Motor Vehicle Crash Yearly Totals

W/O Injuries, With Injuries, Hit & Runs

Total Crashes for 2020: 859

MONTH	WITHOUT INJURIES	WITH INJURIES	HIT AND RUN
JANUARY	72	10	13
FEBRUARY	73	2	19
MARCH	56	6	9
APRIL	21	2	10
MAY	9	1	1
JUNE	44	8	8
JULY	40	11	10
AUGUST	66	14	14
SEPTEMBER	65	7	12
OCTOBER	59	5	12
NOVEMBER	56	12	13
DECEMBER	72	16	13
TOTALS	633	94	132

DAY OF THE WEEK	WITH OUT INJURIES	WITH INJURIES	HIT AND RUN
SUNDAY	70	10	13
MONDAY	86	16	23
TUESDAY	111	15	13
WEDNESDAY	80	11	13
THURSDAY	89	26	15
FRIDAY	101	4	28
SATURDAY	96	12	27
TOTAL	633	94	132

### Time of Day Breakdown

TIME OF CRASH	W/O INJURIES	WITH INJURIES	HIT AND RUN
00:00-00:59	7	4	3
01:00-01:59	16	1	1
02:00-02:59	8	1	0
03:00-03:59	7	2	1
04:00-04:59	2	0	0
05:00-05:59	3	6	2

06:00-06:59	<b>23</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
07:00-07:59	<b>16</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
08:00-08:59	<b>20</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>
09:00-09:59	<b>16</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>
10:00-10:59	<b>45</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>
11:00-11:59	<b>51</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>
12:00-12:59	<b>29</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>
13:00-13:59	<b>42</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>
14:00-14:59	<b>56</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>
15:00-15:59	<b>48</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
16:00-16:59	<b>55</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
17:00-17:59	<b>59</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>
18:00-18:59	<b>32</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>
19:00-19:59	<b>33</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>
20:00-20:59	<b>28</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>
21:00-21:59	<b>16</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>
22:00-22:59	<b>15</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>
23:00-23:59	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>

### Type Crash

MONTH	BUS	DEER	DUI	FATALS	MOTORCYCLE	NON – REPORTABLES	PEDESTRIAN STRUCK
JANUARY	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
FEBRUARY	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>
MARCH	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>
APRIL	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
MAY	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>
JUNE	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
JULY	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
AUGUST	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>
SEPTEMBER	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
OCTOBER	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
NOVEMBER	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
DECEMBER	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
TOTAL	<b>4</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>7</b>

## 2020 SUMMONSES YEARLY TOTALS

**Moving and Parking Summonses yearly total: 3507**

OFFENSE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
<b>SPEEDING</b>	15	24	11	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	57
<b>SEATBELTS</b>	26	14	4	1	5	2	0	1	0	1	2	10	66
<b>UNLICENSED</b>	30	31	25	4	8	7	8	13	10	9	7	13	165
<b>SUSPENDED</b>	80	87	48	8	20	17	11	12	9	12	11	33	348
<b>SCHOOL BUS</b>	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
<b>DRUNK/DRUG DRIVING</b>	19	5	11	2	8	7	0	6	1	8	4	3	74
<b>CHILD RESTRAINT</b>	4	5	5	1	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	23
<b>CARELESS</b>	54	64	43	21	33	33	35	32	41	46	30	43	475
<b>RECKLESS</b>	21	11	11	2	14	0	4	14	0	14	5	4	100
<b>CELLPHONE</b>	3	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	11
<b>OTHER</b>	452	400	209	34	97	80	82	112	48	126	82	164	1886
<b>TOTAL</b>	704	646	368	75	188	148	143	191	109	216	143	276	3207
<b>PARKING</b>	48	41	67	6	8	3	18	10	18	20	16	45	300
<b>TOTAL</b>	752	687	435	81	196	151	161	201	127	236	159	321	3507

### Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)

#### 2020 DWI Statistics

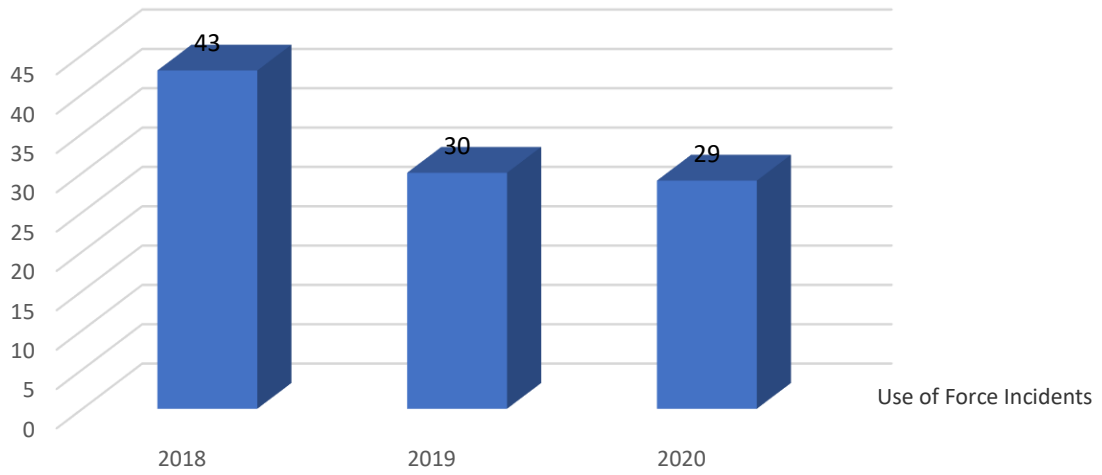
MONTH	Total
January	<b>18</b>
February	<b>9</b>
March	<b>8</b>
April	<b>2</b>
May	<b>7</b>
June	<b>6</b>
July	<b>2</b>
August	<b>7</b>
September	<b>0</b>
October	<b>8</b>
November	<b>4</b>
December	<b>2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>

## Use of Force 2020

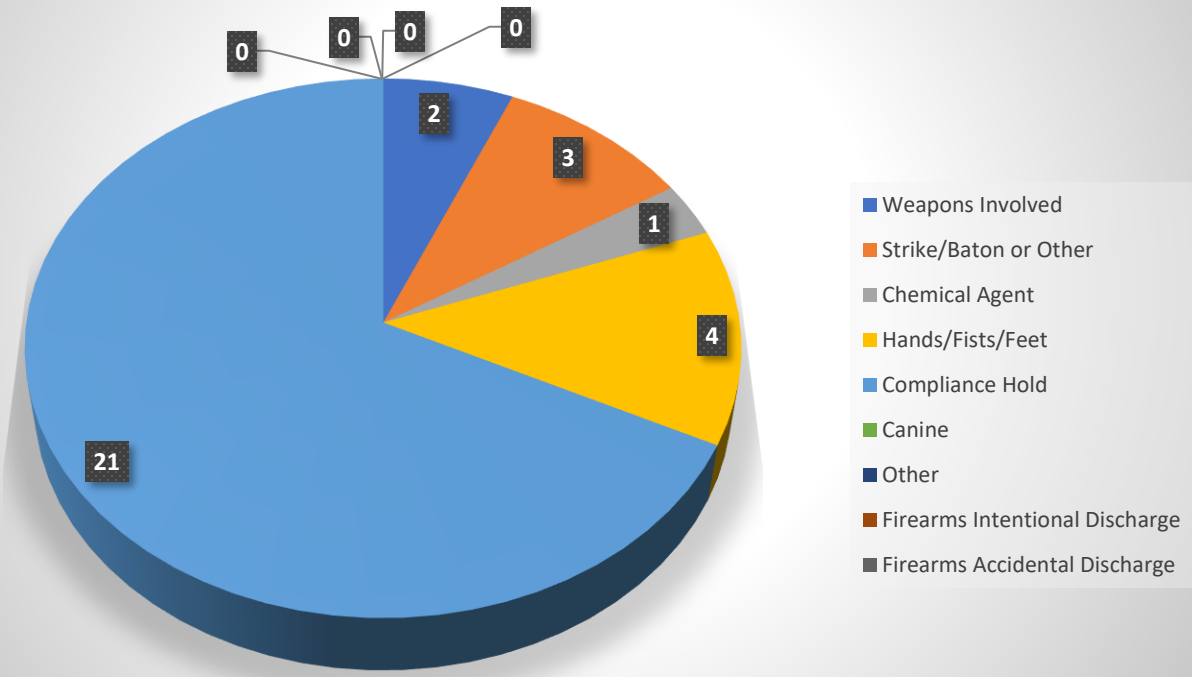
The Ewing Police Department recognizes and respects the value of human life. Investing police officers with the lawful authority to use force to protect the public welfare, a careful balancing of all human interests is required. Deciding whether to utilize force when authorized in the conduct of official 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.

	2020
Use of Force Incidents	29
Weapons Involved	2
Suspects Injured	7
Police Officers Involved	79
Police Officers Injured	9
Force Level:	
Strike/Baton or Other	3
Chemical Agent	1
Hands/Fists/Feet	4
Compliance Hold	21
Canine	0
Other	0
Firearms Intentional Discharge	0
Firearms Accidental Discharge	0
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Ewing Police Department  
Use of Force Incidents Three Year Comparison  
2018-2020



## Ewing Police Department Types of Force Used 2020



## Drug Overdoses 2020

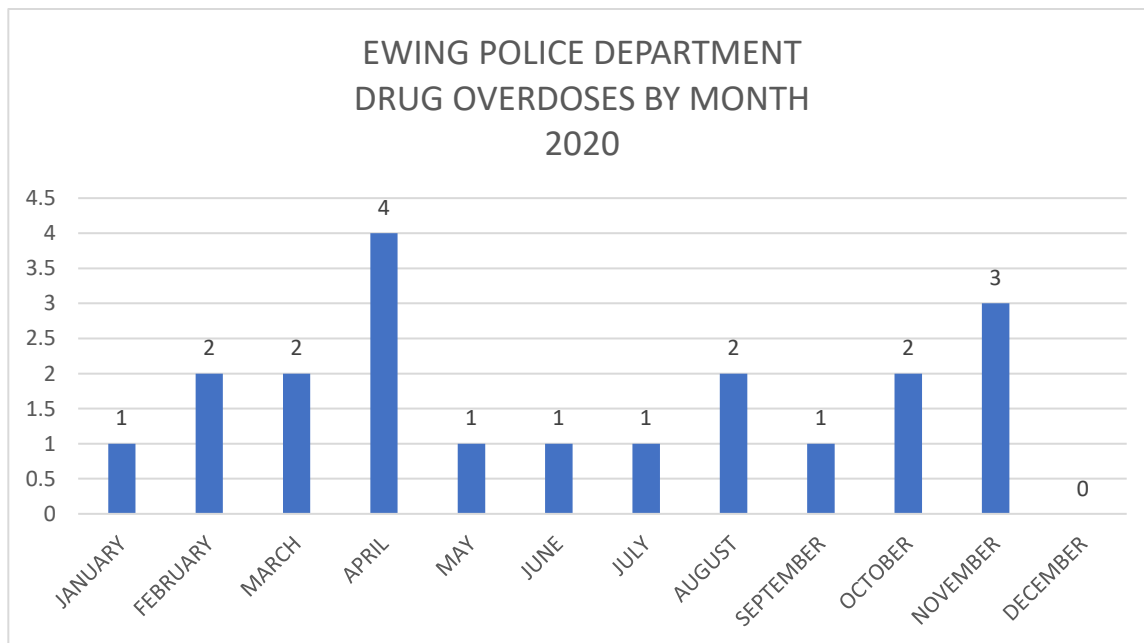
The Ewing Police Department is dedicated to fighting the current opioid epidemic in the state. In an effort to combat the physical effects of the opioid crisis, all officers are issued the opioid reversing drug Naloxone (Narcan) and are trained in its administration. In addition to the carrying of Narcan, 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

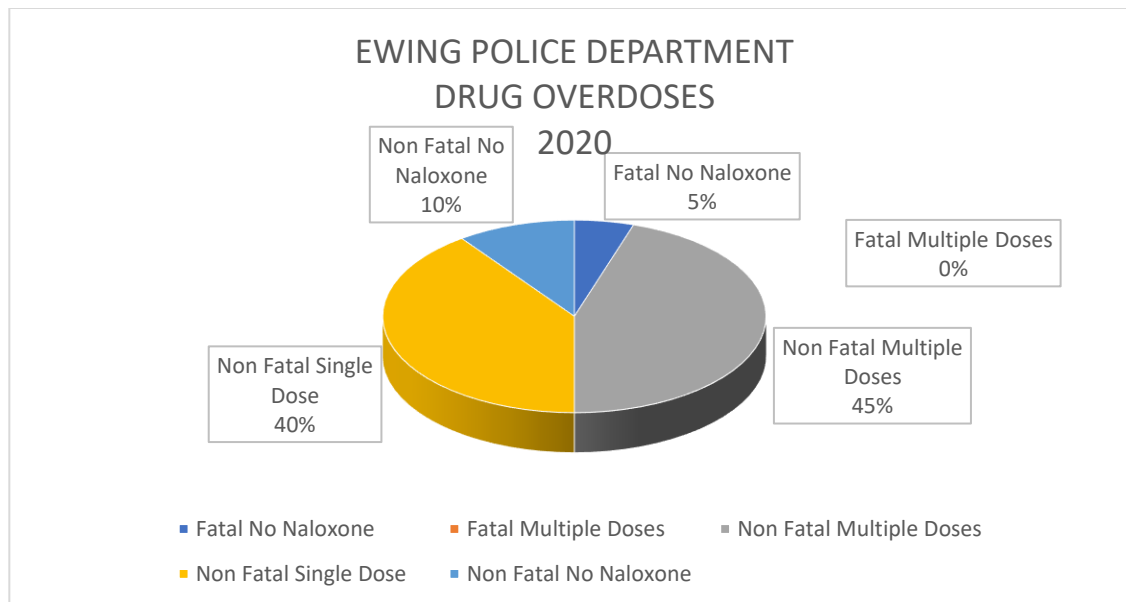
JANUARY	1	5.0%
FEBRUARY	2	10.0%
MARCH	2	10.0%
APRIL	4	20.0%
MAY	1	5.0%
JUNE	1	5.0%
JULY	1	5.0%
AUGUST	2	10.0%
SEPTEMBER	1	5.0%
OCTOBER	2	10.0%
NOVEMBER	3	15.0%
DECEMBER	0	0.0%
	<hr/> 20	<hr/> 100.0%

### Yearly Naloxone Use

Fatal No Naloxone	1
Fatal Multiple Doses	0
Non-Fatal Multiple Doses	9
Non-Fatal Single Dose	8
Non-Fatal No Naloxone	2







### Departmental Awards

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, and restrictions on public gatherings, the department was not able to host an awards ceremony. Our officers worked tirelessly during the pandemic, when most of the country had the opportunity to work from home. The efforts of our officers did not go unnoticed. The awards committee is in the process of working on recognizing those officers and citizens who are deserving of awards. It is our hope that proper recognition can be made in 2021.

# COVID-19 Pandemic

2020 was no doubt one of the most challenging years for not only the Ewing Police Department, but the entire law enforcement community. Perhaps the biggest challenge we faced was the COVID-19 Pandemic. The first COVID-19 case was reported in North America in January of 2020 and just 3 months later on March 2nd, the first New Jersey case was identified. Little did any of us know what effect COVID-19 would have on the world, not to mention the day to day operations of the Ewing Police Department. Using the best information available at the time, on March 20, 2020, Chief John Stemler temporarily restructured the department in such a way to balance the wellness of our officers, with maintaining the same level of police service to our residents. The department was, for a lack of better terms, split in half. Officers worked in two-week rotations, where half of the department would be working, and the other half would remain home. This plan was designed to prevent a single exposure by an officer from depleting the entire force. This process worked well as our call volume declined as the state was largely in lockdown. Eventually, as the state began to open, call volume increased, and officers were provide with personal protective equipment, the department resumed normal operations. By the end of 2020, the department saw several of its own members affected by COVID-19, some after being exposed at work. Our response to COVID-19 and the community remained fluid, always adapting to the best possible way to serve Ewing Township. Luckily, at that point, the hope for vaccines was on the horizon and we learned much more about the virus. The department, much like the rest of the world, looks forward to a time when we can resume normal lives.

**COVID-19**



Sergeant Robert Ranke wearing personal protective equipment.

## Significant Patrol Investigations of 2020

### January

I-2020-000139      *Lost child*

*A female advised Officer Wyckoff that she came across a lost four-year-old while walking. Due to the child being under dressed for the weather she was checked out by Ewing EMS. Patrol units and DB began to look for the child's residence and mother. Eventually the child's residence and her mother were located. It was determined the mother was having problems with her sleeping habits, fell asleep, and did not know that her child had left. DCPD and MCPO Special Victims Unit were notified about the incident.*

I-2020-000572      *Arrest/Recovery of Defaced Firearm*

*Subsequent to a motor vehicle stop, an 18-year-old male was found to be in possession of a semi-automatic .380 handgun with a defaced serial number. The firearm was located during a search and had been secreted inside of the male's undergarments. The male was arrested and processed before being lodged in the Mercer County Corrections Center.*

I-2020-001384      *Aggravated assault*

*Officers responded to Capital Health Regional where a victim reported that he was assaulted somewhere on Parkside Ave. Officers took the initial assault report and the victim declined medical attention at the time. The victim went to Capital Health Hopewell after the assault and was diagnosed with three broken ribs and a plural effusion.*

### February

I-2020-004160      *Aggravated Assault*

*Officer Manfredi responded to the area of Maple Avenue and Pingree Avenue for a report of a stabbing. A group of juveniles were located in the area. The stabbing victim was one of the juveniles. A description of the defendant suspect was gathered and broadcasted to other units. Officer Wyckoff located the suspect and placed him under arrest. Evidence was collected from the victim and the suspect. The suspect was charged accordingly. Detectives Muscente and Caldwell continued the investigation.*

I-2020-003098      *Terroristic Threats/ Unlawful Possession of a Weapon*

*A male was arrested after an investigation revealed he threatened his roommate with a knife. The suspect stated he armed himself with a pocketknife attempting to defend his girlfriend as she and the victim were arguing over the TV remote. The victim was able to defend himself against the suspect who sustained a cut on his finger while being disarmed. The suspect was released on CDR-1.*

I-2020-003826      *Fraud*

*A victim's daughter reported to Officer N. Jones that another relative obtained a power of attorney and stole \$176,000 from his 97-year-old mother's bank account between March 2017 and February 2020.*

I-2020-005179      *Burglary/Theft*

*Officers responded for a report of a vehicle burglary that had occurred in the parking lot of Domino's Pizza. After obtaining a description of the suspect, officers located and arrested the suspect, a 32 year old male, after he was found to be in possession of stolen property belonging to the victim/caller.*

## **March**

*I-2020-008270            Violation of government order*

*Patrol units responded to 360 Concord Avenue on a report of a party. Upon arrival, responding Officers found approximately 47 people in the apartment attending a party with a DJ, large DJ speakers, a community hookah, and smell of burnt marijuana. The party was dispersed, and the resident / host was advised that he was in violation of the Governor's executive order. The Mercer County Prosecutor's Office was consulted and authorized the suspect to be charged with Obstruction, as well as violating the Governor's order (both DP offenses).*

*I-2020-007627            Emotionally Disturbed Person*

*Multiple officers responded to Spruce Street at Fourth Street after the Ewing EMS crew reported a combative patient fighting with EMT's in the rear of the ambulance. Ewing officers were able to assist them in gaining control of the subject. Officers rode in the back of the ambulance to Capital Health Regional to ensure the safety of both ambulance crew and patient*

## **April**

*I-2020-008750            Aggravated Assault*

*Officers responded to a call for service where a female who had a pocketknife was threatening to harm herself and that she wanted to die by suicide by cop. Lieutenant Boller was the first on scene and when he got there the female exited the residence and walked towards him with the pocketknife. Lieutenant Boller was able to disarm the female with his expandable baton. Lieutenant Boller, Officer McGuire, and Officer C. Fornarotto secured the female who was ultimately transported to the hospital. While at the hospital the female was found to be in possession of illegal narcotics. The female was charged accordingly.*

*I-2020-009127            Criminal mischief*

*A resident alerted officers that someone had tampered with the USPS mailbox at the corner of Theresa Street and Dorset Drive. Officers found adhesive smeared on the rotating chute that caused envelopes to stick to the chute and not deposit inside. Officers found two other boxes in the same condition in the nearby area. Officers secured each of the boxes with crime scene tape to prevent mail theft. The US Postal Inspector was notified.*

*I-2020-009367            Negligent Discharge of Firearm*

*A resident of Wheldon Shivers Drive negligently discharged his 9mm pistol while testing his new weapon light. The round from the gun went through his wall and into the bathroom of a neighbor's residence shattering a mirror and glass shower door. The spent round landed in the shower. Detective Hurley responded to the scene to continue the investigation.*

*I-2020-009200            Violation of Court Order*

*Officers responded to a residence after the resident reported that an individual was outside in violation of a restraining order. The suspect fled into a nearby wooded area prior to officer arrival. Officer B. Fornarotto and her K9 partner Jax conducted a track in the wooded area and located the suspect who surrendered and was taken into custody.*

I-2020-009614      *Criminal mischief*

An officer observed what they believed to be a burglary in progress at the Northfield Bank. A black male suspect fled on foot as a Range Rover fled the lot. The officer pursued the Range Rover to the dead-end of Silvia Street where two unidentified individuals fled from the vehicle. Both subjects evaded capture, however, officers located and detained one of the suspects at Scotch Road and Upper Ferry Road. Investigation revealed that the suspects were engaged in mailbox fishing. Officers impounded the Range Rover in anticipation of a search warrant. The suspect was released on a complaint summons.

## **May**

I-2020-009884      *Burglary / Theft*

A resident of Blackwood drive called to report a suspicious person riding a mini bike behind 9 Blackwood Drive (vacant property). Officer S. Arnold made contact with the male as he was walking away from 9 Blackwood. A black Motovox MBX-10 mini bike was located behind the residence. Investigation revealed that the male burglarized a shed at 10 Wakefield Drive and stole the mini bike. The male was taken into custody and charged with burglary and theft.

I-2020-010588      *Missing Person*

Ewing officers responded to the area of Greene 750 at Bear Tavern for a missing adult male Dementia patient who had been missing since the night prior. Officers, detectives, and a tracking Bloodhound from the Mercer County Sheriff's Office coordinated a grid search and located the male unharmed inside of a vehicle in the parking lot.

I-2020-010689      *Fire*

A Ewing Officer responded to Columbia Avenue to assist the Division of Child Protection and Permanency while they conducted an interview. The officer detected an odor of smoke when they arrived in the area and observed smoke and flames coming from the second-floor window of the house. The officer attempted to evacuate the house and discovered it was empty. Station 31 firefighters extinguished the fire. The Township Fire Marshal determined that an electrical fire started inside the wall. Damage was limited to the bedroom where the fire originated.

## **June**

I-2020-013657      *Kidnapping*

Patrol units were detailed to the CVS (1618 Olden Ave) for a carjacking where it was reported the victim was still in the vehicle. Officer DeAngelo arrived on scene and spoke with a witness while other officers looked for the vehicle. The witness stated that the suspect opened the driver's door and asked for spare change. The victim went into her purse at which point a struggle for the purse between the victim and suspect ensued. The suspect then entered the vehicle with the victim inside and drove away. The vehicle was eventually located by Officer Przemieniecki and the suspect was taken into custody in Fairless Hills Pennsylvania after a vehicle pursuit. When the suspect was extradited back to New Jersey, he was charged accordingly.

I-2020-012717      *Stolen Vehicle/CDS Arrest*

Ewing Officers responded to a suspicious vehicle on Concord Avenue. Upon arrival they found a vehicle, which was reported stolen, occupied by two males. The males were placed under arrest and during a search subsequent to arrest, one of the suspects was found to have two bundles of heroin in his possession. Both men were charged appropriately.

## July

I-2020-016432 Lewdness

Officer Manfredi responded to the Home Depot (1621 Olden Ave) for a male who was exposing himself. When Officer Manfredi arrived, the store manager showed him where the suspect was last seen walking. Officers could not locate the suspect. Officer Manfredi spoke with the victim who told him that while she was eating lunch in her vehicle, she observed the suspect staring at her. The suspect then began to expose himself. The store manager confronted the suspect who left before police arrival.

I-2020-16594 Assist Other Agency

At 0224 hours Ewing Dispatch received a request from the Trenton Police for assistance after occupants of a vehicle shot at a Trenton Police vehicle in our township. Once we arrived on location, we learned that Trenton Police pursued a stolen vehicle in Trenton, but lost sight of it. A Trenton Unit later located the stolen vehicle in the area of Prospect Street and Olden Avenue. At that time Trenton pursued the vehicle down Olden Avenue towards Trenton. Occupants of the fleeing vehicle then began to fire rounds at the Trenton Police Unit. 3 spent rounds were located on Olden Avenue between Prospect Street and Princeton Avenue. The vehicle fled into Trenton where it crashed, and the suspects were taken into custody by Trenton.

I-2020-015374 Aggravated assault/Eluding/CDS Arrest

Sgt Flynn conducted a motor vehicle stop in conjunction with an ongoing NJSP narcotics investigation. During the stop, the operator of the vehicle fled dragging Sgt Flynn from the suspect vehicle as he did. The vehicle was located by Officer C. Arnold several minutes later and a pursuit ensued. The pursuit concluded safely with the arrest of the suspect. The narcotics investigation resulted in multiple arrests, the recovery of a significant amount of narcotics as well as the seizure of multiple firearms and an illegal, extended magazine

## August

I-2020-018352 Robbery

PO Wyckoff responded to the family dollar (1509 Princeton Ave) for an armed robbery in progress. Officers searched the inside of the business and set up a perimeter due to believing that the suspect was still inside. The suspect was not located. PO Manfredi then spoke to the victim/reporter who stated he was working the register counter when the suspect came in and robbed him with a firearm. The suspect was given money from the register and a safe in the manager's office. The suspect then fled the store on foot and could not be located. Det. Caldwell was advised and took over the investigation.

I-2020-018369 Agg Assault/Robbery

Ewing Officers responded to the report of an unconscious man on the ground in the Bank of America drive thru. Upon arrival officers found the man with significant injuries. They provided emergency medical assistance. Investigation revealed that the man had been assaulted and robbed by two unidentified males after they intervened when the victim allegedly used racial epithets towards a woman in the drive through.

I-2020-019061 Criminal Mischief

A Perry Drive resident reported that he located evidence that a round was fired into his residence. The bullet travelled through a double paned window, bedroom door, and a wall before lodging in a second wall. The bullet was recovered by P.O. Wherley (appears to be 9mm or .40). The resident did not have any suspects

as to who fired the round. Detective Hurley was contacted and responded to investigate. Reports by PO Wherley #223

## **September**

I-2020-020180          *Robbery*

PO Woolverton was detailed to the Hanel grocery store (258 Parkway Ave) for an armed robbery that had just occurred. When PO Woolverton arrived the victim stated that he was robbed at gun point by a black male in a white Subaru who had called him over to the vehicle. When the victim arrived at the vehicle he was told by the male, "Give me all you got". The victim gave the suspect \$60. There were two other males in the vehicle which then fled the area. PO Woolverton reviewed the security footage and Det. Vagnozzi spoke with the victim who became uncooperative and left the area.

I-2020-020019          *Sick person*

Units were detailed for an unresponsive 1-year old male. While units were responding, the caller/home health-aid, advised dispatch that the child stopped breathing. Upon patrol arrival, the child was found to be suffering from breathing distress through his tracheal tube. The child was immediately transported to Fuld by patrol. ER staff successfully corrected a blockage issue with the tracheal tube. The child was reported to be in good health with his parents by his side. Report by PO S. Miller

## **October**

I-2020-022739          *Assault*

A New Jersey Transit bus driver was slapped by an unknown male as he argued with her over the fare. The male quickly exited the bus and fled the area. At 1642 hours, NJ Transit PD provided a video of the assault. At 1654 hours (I-2020-022771), Sgt. Tramontana stopped a male that was in the video. The male was identified as the actor, arrested, and charged with the assault. The male was released on a CDR-1 and given a new court date for his outstanding Hamilton warrant in accordance with MCPO Directive 19-06. Report by PO Martir

I-2020-022942          *Assault/Weapons Possession*

Officers responded to Wawa after receiving a report of a male telling a customer there that he was being held against his will. The male left prior to patrol arrival, but a license plate was obtained by the caller. Officers responded to the home of the registered owner in time to observe the male fleeing from an apartment followed closely by a second male actor who had a knife tucked into his waistband. The actor was taken into custody and charged appropriately before being lodged in the Mercer County Corrections Center.

## **November**

I-2020-024333          *False public alarms*

PO Steever was detailed to Ewing High School for a report of a male that told a bus driver that he was going to start shooting the students. Patrol units had arrived at Ewing High School, located the male in the parking lot, and took him into custody. The area was searched, and no weapon was found. The male was charged accordingly (2C:33-3A(1)(B), 2C:12-3A). It was discovered that the male had not been taking his medication for his mental health issues, so he was evaluated and ultimately turned over to the crisis unit at Capital Health Hospital.

I-2020-024525            Drug Overdose

*A male from Monroe, NJ overdosed on heroin in a friend's garage on Lower Ferry Road. The male was able to be revived by Sgt. Tramontanta using Narcan. Report and OD mapping by PO Miller #235*

I-2020-025586            Attempted Burglary/CDS Offenses

*Ewing officers responded to the area of Shelburne Drive after a report of a male attempting to break into vehicles. Video of the attempted burglaries was made available through the Ewing Ring Neighbors application. Utilizing the video and keen investigative skills, officers were able to locate the suspect and place him under arrest. The arrestee was processed and lodged in the Mercer County Corrections Center.*

## **December**

I-2020-026185            Lewdness

*PO C. Fornarotto was detailed to 7 Calvin Avenue for a male peering into the window. Upon PO Fornarotto's arrival he spoke to the reporter, who stated that from her Ring doorbell camera she saw male peering into the window of her residence. PO Fornarotto reviewed the camera footage and observed the male pull his pants down and begin to touch himself. The male was there approximately five minutes and then left. The area was searched but the male was not located. Det. Hurley was advised and responded. The next day, one of the residents called and reported that the male was back in the area. Patrol units arrived and located the male. Based on the investigation for both incidents, the male was arrested and charged with both incidents.*

I-2020-027100            Welfare Check

*An elderly resident had not been seen in days by family and friends. Forced entry was made into the residence. Once patrol officers made contact with the resident, it was determined that there were major structural damage to the residence. There were also some serious health concerns regarding the female. Those concerns were referred to the township Health Department. The building sub-code official, James Magna arrived on scene and investigated further. Report by Jumper.*

I-2020-027839            Robbery/Stabbing

*Ewing officers responded to the area of Brookside Avenue after receiving a call that a suspect from a previous burglary had returned and attempted to steal a vehicle. The caller reported that family members were chasing the suspect in the area. Ewing units responded and saturated the area. The caller advised units in the area that her son and her brother had caught up with the suspect in the area of Parkway Avenue and Ingham Avenue and both parties had been stabbed by the suspect. A description of the suspect was broadcast to Ewing units in the area. The suspect, was located in front of D&A Deli and detained by Ewing officers. The caller/witness made positive identification of the suspect at the scene. He was placed under arrest and transported to Ewing police headquarters for processing and interview by CIB detectives.*

**End of report**