

WEST CHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT
2018



SCOTT L. BOHN
CHIEF OF POLICE



West Chester Police Department

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dianne Herrin, Mayor

FROM: Scott L. Bohn, Chief of Police

DATE: February 1, 2019

SUBJECT: Police Department Annual Report

On behalf of the West Chester Police Department, it is my privilege to present our Department's 2018 Annual Report. The following pages will reflect the activity and services the Police Department has rendered to the citizens of our community(s) during the 2018 calendar year.

This document consists of three distinct parts:

- **SYNOPSIS** of the Police Department's annual report.
- **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** of the Police Department's annual report.
- **ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2018** for the West Chester Police Department.

Each individual document is intended to be increasingly more detailed, providing as much specificity regarding the activities of the West Chester Police Department during the calendar year 2018 as is appropriate for the respective document. Complete copies of this document have been distributed to the Mayor, as well as the East Bradford Township Manager and may be viewed by citizens of West Chester Borough and East Bradford Township at the following locations:

West Chester Police Department 2018 Annual Report

- **Police Department**—Copies of the complete document are available for public inspection and review at the Administrative Office(s) of the West Chester Police Department during regular business hours.
- **Internet**—This document will be available on the Borough's web site at <http://www.west-chester.com>.

I truly hope you find this information in a format that is both useful to you and informative to the citizens of West Chester Borough.

I am confident and pleased with the professionalism, dedication and accomplishments of our personnel. I believe they realize the work they do can at times be difficult, yet they remain constantly vigilant in their duties and responsibilities to serve this community. We are pleased with the accomplishments of our Department over the past year and we look forward to another productive year in 2019.

It has been my pleasure to serve as the Chief of Police of the West Chester Police Department during calendar year 2018. On behalf of the men and women of the West Chester Police Department, I would like to extend our most sincere thanks for your collective and individual confidence in our ability to serve our community(s). With your continued support and assistance, we look forward to continuing to improve the quality of life for all our citizens.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott L. Bohn



West Chester Police Department

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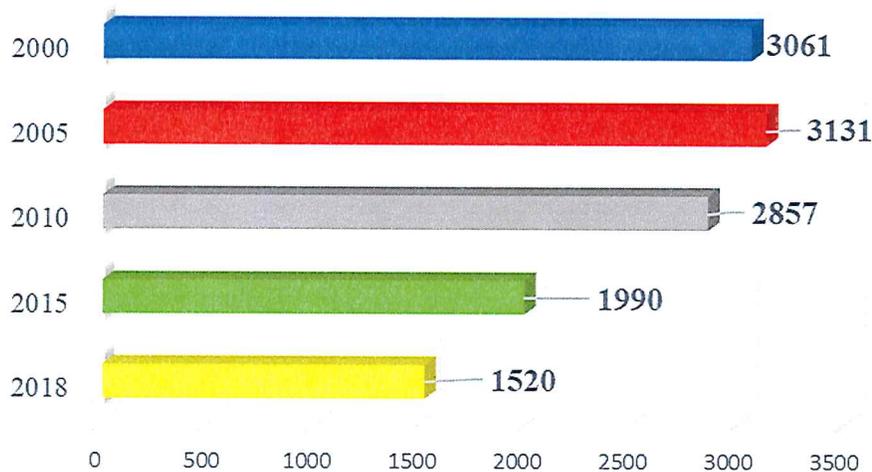
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Chief of Police

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2018 ANNUAL REPORT

SYNOPSIS

The total amount of crime reported to the West Chester Police Department decreased approximately 21% in 2018. **This is the lowest total of reported crime in twenty-two (22) years, (automated records).**

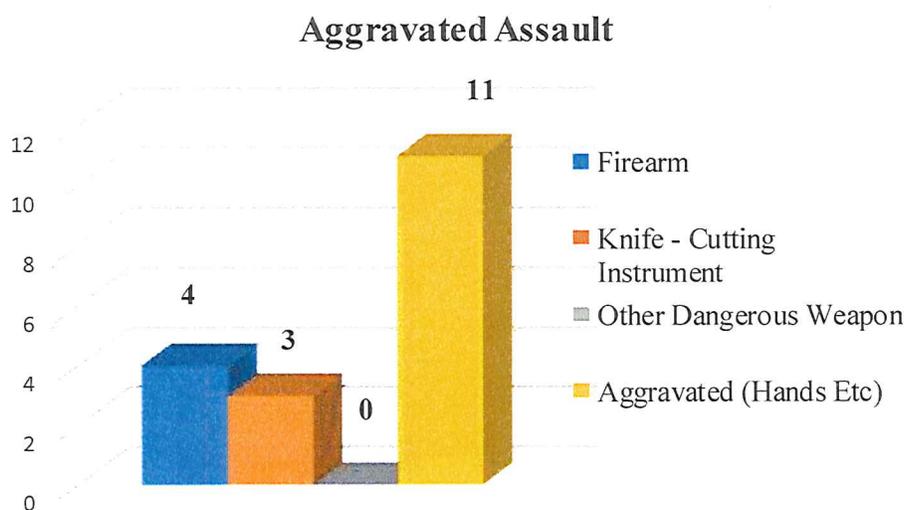


Crime is classified, counted, and reported in two distinctly different categories. Statisticians and researchers know these categories as Part I crime and Part II crime. Part I crimes consist of those crimes that one may consider to be the most serious crimes affecting society and are comprised of a very specific subset of crimes that are routinely reported to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for comparison with other municipalities of similar size and demographics. Part II crimes, on the other hand, are defined as any crime other than Part I crimes and are generally considered being less serious crimes (a secondary level of crime). These "nuisance crimes" impact our quality of life.

Part I (serious) crimes **decreased** approximately 4% overall during calendar year 2018 from 484 such crimes reported in 2017 to 465 such crimes reported during 2018. The 2018 total was the lowest reported total of serious crime in the last twenty-two (22) years (automated records). **Serious crime has been effectively reduced 60% since the year 2000.**

This statistic should be significant to our varied citizenry. This is an important statistic for individuals considering moving their families and/or businesses into our community(s) as it is a statistic that can be compared nationwide against other municipalities of comparable size and demographics. It is a statistic that is easily accessible to those seeking information in their decision-making process.

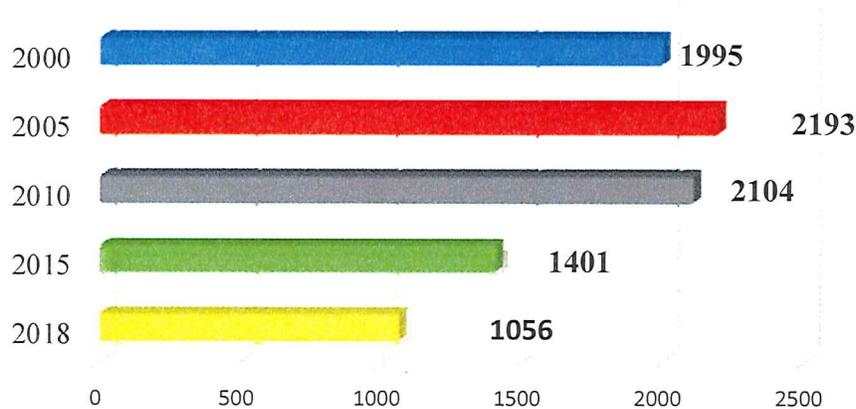
There were decreases in each of the reported Part I crimes of Rape (30%), Robbery (36%), Assault (8%), and Theft (7%). There were no reported Arsons. In 2018 there was a reported increase in Motor Vehicle Thefts and Burglaries (28%). There were three (3) crimes classified as Homicide/Manslaughter in 2018; one as the result of an accident investigation. In collating UCR data many policing agencies differentiate in their reporting of Part I crime and/or their classification of serious crime. As an example, the department documented one hundred thirty-four (134) “Assaults” in 2018. Of the assaults documented only eighteen (18) assaults were aggravated in nature. The remainder of “Assault” complaints were for Harassment reports. Approximately one-third of thefts documented the loss was less than \$50.00. An overwhelming number of thefts reported in 2018 were preventable (unsecure property).



In 2018, the West Chester Police Department documented a 17% decrease in Part II crimes. During the calendar year 2018, the Department reported 1,056 Part II crimes in comparison to the 1,450 reported in 2017. The 2018 documentation of Part II crimes is the lowest documented total in the last twenty-two (22) years. Although this figure is

not reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for comparison purposes, it is a statistic that affects the overall quality of life for those of us living and/or working in West Chester. This decrease is attributed to uniform staffing complements, aggressive enforcement of nuisance crimes coupled with proactive patrol allocations, education and continued community sensitivity(s) resulted in an increase in effective enforcement of Liquor Law Violations, Public Drunkenness, Open Bottle Ordinance and Disorderly Conduct and Noise Ordinance violations.

Part II Crime



With the continuing success and popularity of our Business District and the growth of our University, there continues to be a substantial demand for police services. Overall, the Police Department documented a negligible increase in calls for service in 2018 compared to 2017, (excluding vehicle stops). As we have reported in the past, while there is a minimal amount of Part I crime in our Business District, there is an identifiable and significant demand for police services. There are reports of assaults and/or combative behavior in the early morning hours in the Central Business District. These behaviors and the associated crimes are directly attributed to alcohol consumption and the number of assaults reported to the Department in 2018. With the popularity of our business establishments and the influx of patrons from throughout the tri-state area as well as West Chester University, the demands continue to increase. These issues, coupled with varying and often related neighborhood issues, presented the largest challenge to our Department and community over this period. As in prior years, alcohol consumption, pedestrian traffic and corridors, the density of residential properties as well as the current environmental conditions, community and neighborhood demographics and the institutional capacity of the Police Department to meet the increased demands of its citizenry will represent our continued challenge(s) as we move into 2019. The community should be as pleased as I am with the enforcement efforts and activity of its Police Department in meeting this complex challenge in 2018.

Traffic accidents reported to and investigated by the West Chester Police Department (with the subcategories of reportable accidents and non-reportable accidents) decreased by approximately 12% in 2018. There were two (2) motor vehicle fatalities in 2018.

Lastly, I would like to acknowledge Mayor Dianne Herrin of West Chester, the members of the West Chester Borough Council, the Board of Supervisors and the Staff in East Bradford Township for their support of the Police Department. It is my privilege to present this synopsis of the West Chester Police Department's Annual Report for the calendar year 2018. It is my sincere hope that this synopsis is both informative to you and useful to the various constituencies and individuals we are sworn and privileged to serve.

WEST CHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT



2018 ANNUAL REPORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Scott L. Bohn
Chief of Police

2018 ANNUAL REPORT

Executive Summary

General Statistics:

	% Change from 2017	Total - 2018
Calls for Service	-	28,010
Reported Crime	-21%	1,521
Criminal Arrests	-18%	236
Criminal Summonses	-17%	905
Traffic Arrests	-30%	1,721
Traffic Warnings	+43%	1,295

Crime Statistics:

Overall Reported Crime -21% Down 431 crimes from 1,934 reported in 2017 to 1,521 in 2018.

Part I Crimes - Total: -4% Down 19 crimes from 484 reported in 2017.

Part I Crimes Defined as:

Murder	300%	3 homicides in 2018.
Rape	-30%	Down 3 from 10 reported in 2017.
Robbery	-36%	Down 7 from 18 reported in 2017.
Assault	-8%	Down 14 from 148 in 2017.

	% Change from 2017	Total - 2018
Burglary	+28%	Up 10 from 36 to 46 in 2018.
Theft	-7%	Down 18 from 263 to 245 in 2018.
MV Theft	+111%	Up 10 from 9 - 19 in 2018.
Arson	-	0 Arsons in 2018.
Part II Crimes - Total:	-17%	Down 187 crimes in 2018. From 1,450 to 1,056.
Part II Crimes Defined as: All other crimes		
Criminal Summonses	-17%	Down 10 from 1,092 to 905.
Liquor Law	*-15%	Down 17 from 108 to 91.
Public Drunkenness	*-83%	Down 154 from 339 to 185.
Disorderly Conduct	*-25%	Down from 147 to 118.
Noise Ordinance	+9%	Up 12 from 125 to 137.
Open Bottle	+17%	Up 14 from 115 to 134.
Public Indecency	-15%	Down from 120 to 102.
All Other	-0%	Same 2017-2018 138.

*See combined West Chester Police - West Chester University Public Safety chart for additional Borough enforcement figures.

% Change from 2017**Total - 2018****Accident Statistics:**

Overall Accidents	-12%	Down 99 from 842 to 743.
Non-Reportable	*-35%	Down 200 from 573 to 373.
Reportable	*+118%	Up 93 from 79 to 172.
Hit and Run	+13%	Down 14 from 190 to 176.
Fatal	+200%	2 fatalities in 2018 - 0 fatalities in 2017.

Traffic Statistics:

Traffic Arrests	-20%	Down 742 from 2,463 to 1,721
Traffic Warnings	+43 %	Up 388 from 907 to 1,295.
Traffic Details	+25%	Up 215 from 863 to 1,078.
DUI	-44%	Down 50 from 89 to 39.

Personnel Assignments

	% of sworn staff	% of all staff
Patrol	77%	62%
Administration	9%	7%
Criminal Investigation	14%	11%
Support Staff	—	20%

Retirements during 2018

Lt. Samuel Iacono	32 years	9/7/2018
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New Hires during 2018

Andrew Hill		02/21/2018
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Micaela Winters		6/20/2018
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Juris No. 15414
 NCIC Code PA0151300

RETURN A MONTHLY COUNT OF OFFENSES
 KNOWN TO POLICE

1 CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES PART I OFFENSES	2 OFFENSES REPORTED	3 UNFOUND COMPLAINTS	4 ACTUAL OFFENSES	(a) TOTAL CLEARED	(b) JUVENILE CLEARED
1. HOMICIDE A. MURDER B. MANSLAUGHTER			3		
2. RAPE TOTAL			7		
A. RAPE B. ATTEMPTED RAPE					
3. ROBBERY TOTAL			11		
A. FIREARM B. KNIFE OR CUTTING INST. C. OTHER DANGEROUS WEAPON D. STRONG ARM (HANDS, ETC)					
4. ASSAULT TOTAL			134		
A. FIREARM B. KNIFE OR CUTTING INST. C. OTHER DANGEROUS WEAPON D. AGGRAVATED (HANDS, ETC) E. SIMPLE (HANDS, ETC)					
5. BURGLARY TOTAL			46		
A. FORCIBLE ENTRY B. UNLAWFUL ENTRY C. ATTEMPTED FORCIBLE					
6. LARCENY THEFT TOTAL			245		
7. MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT TOTAL			19		
A. AUTOS B. TRUCKS AND BUSES C. OTHER VEHICLES					
9. ARSON TOTAL			0		
TOTAL PART I OFFENSES			465		

* EXCEPTIONAL CLEARANCES INCLUDED

@ INCLUDES OFFENSE(S) REPORTED IN PREVIOUS MONTHS

NUMBER OF POLICE OFFICERS KILLED		ASSAULTED
FELON	NEGLIG	

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Department Reporting

CHESTER, PA 19380

County

Report for the month of

Date of Report: 2018

Prepared by _____

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 KNOWN TO POLICE

1 CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES PART II OFFENSES		2 OFFENSES REPORTED	3 UNFOUND COMPLAINTS	4 ACTUAL OFFENSES	(a) TOTAL CLEARED	(b) JUVENILE CLEARED
100. FORGERY & COUNTERFEIT.				3		
110. FRAUD				85		
120. EMBEZZLEMENT				0		
130. STOLEN PROP-REC,POSSES				2		
140. VANDALISM				194		
150. WEAPONS-CARRYING, POSSES				3		
160. PROSTITUTION, COMM VICE						
170. SEX OFFENSES (EX 02,160)				30		
180. DRUG ABUSE VIOL TOTAL				39		
SALE	A. OPIUM-COCAINE B. MARIJUANA C. SYNTHETIC D. OTHER					
POSSESSION	A. OPIUM-COCAINE B. MARIJUANA C. SYNTHETIC D. OTHER					
190. GAMBLING TOTAL						
A. BOOK MAKING B. NUMBERS, ETC. C. OTHER						
200.OFF AGAINST FAMILY & CHILD.				0		
210. DRIVING UNDER INFLUENCE				54		
220. LIQUOR LAWS				80		
230. DRUNKENNESS				159		
240. DISORDERLY CONDUCT				81		
250. VAGRANCY				0		
260. ALL OTHER OFFENSES				326		
TOTAL PART II OFFENSES TOTAL				1056		

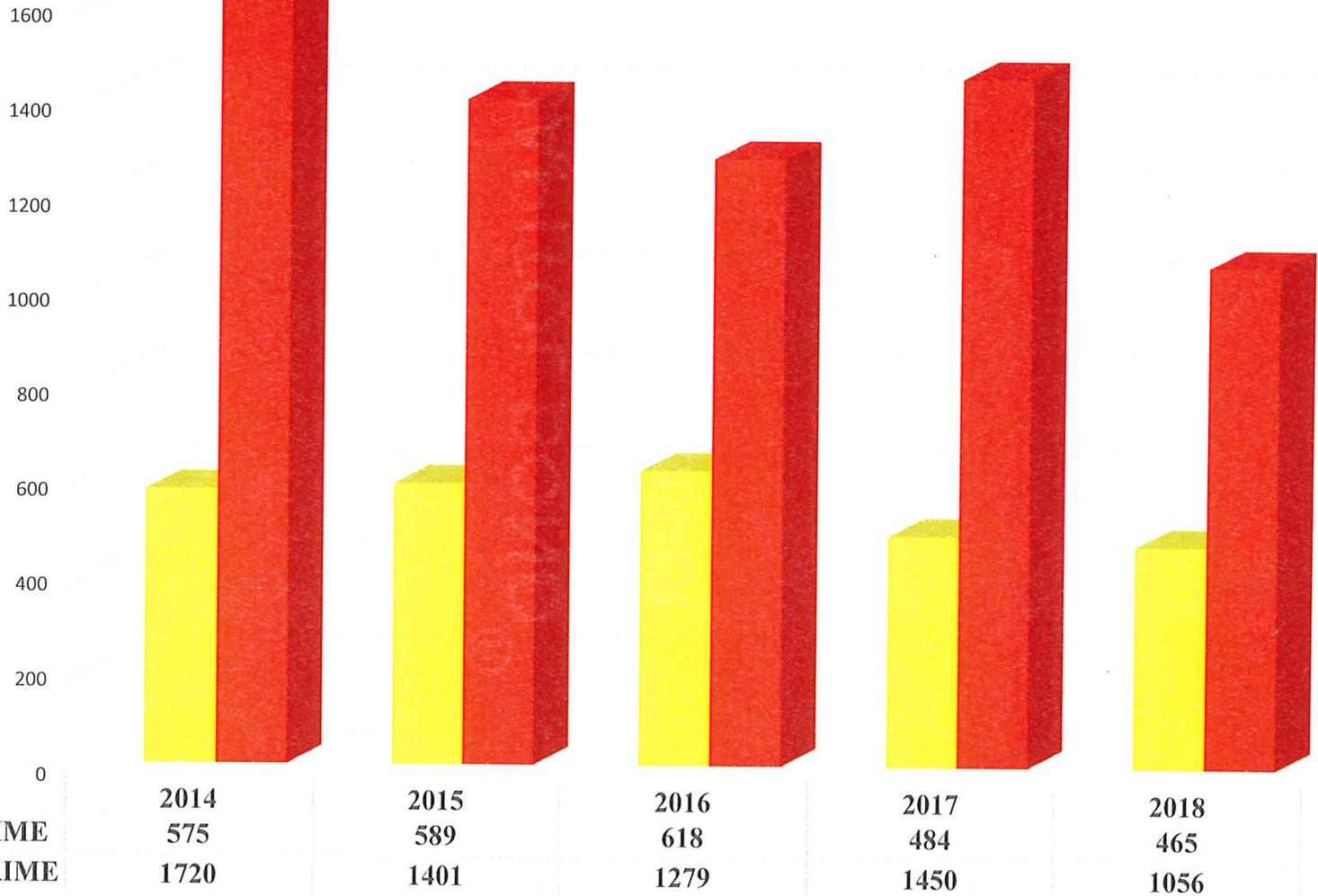


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West Chester - East Bradford

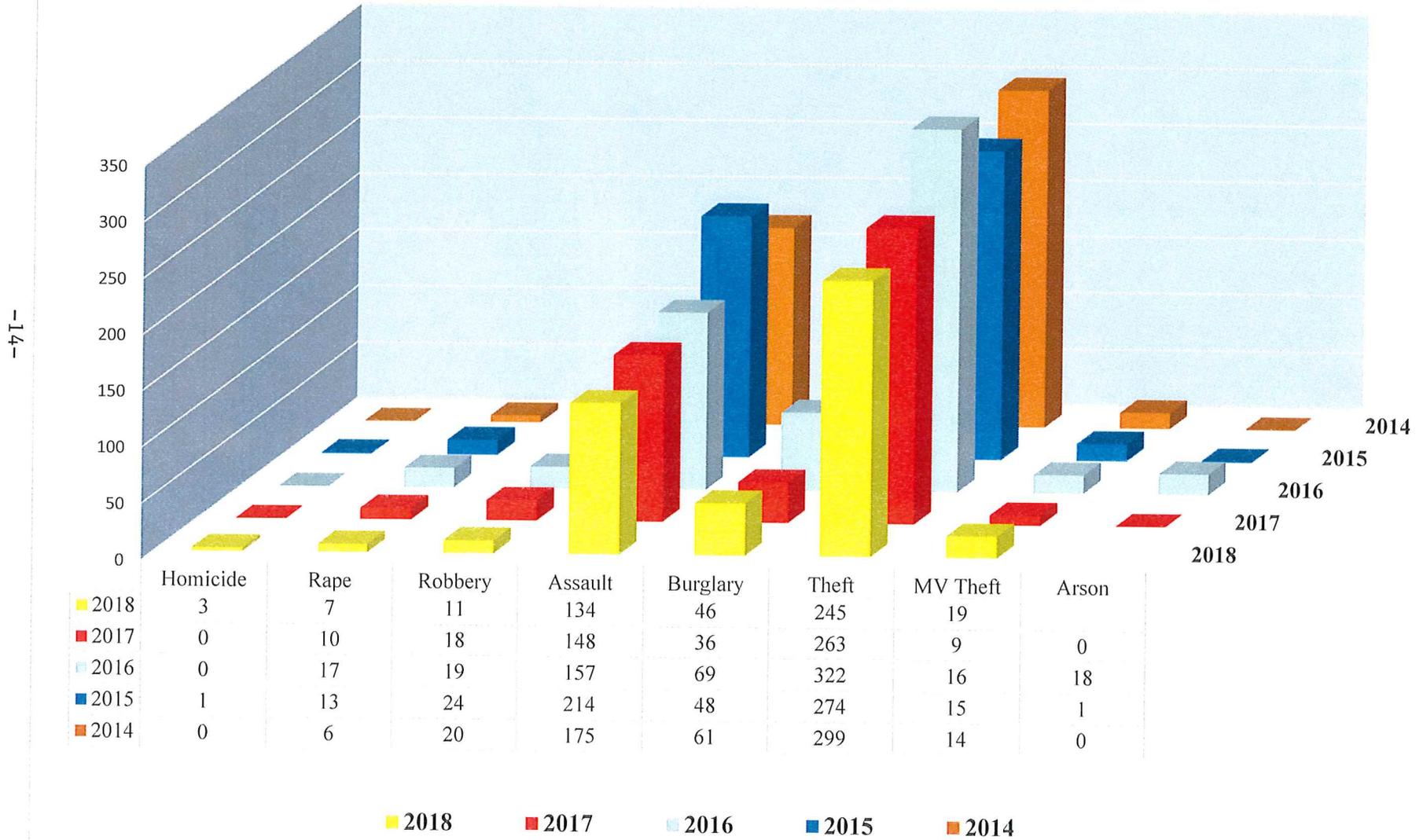
Combined UCR Data

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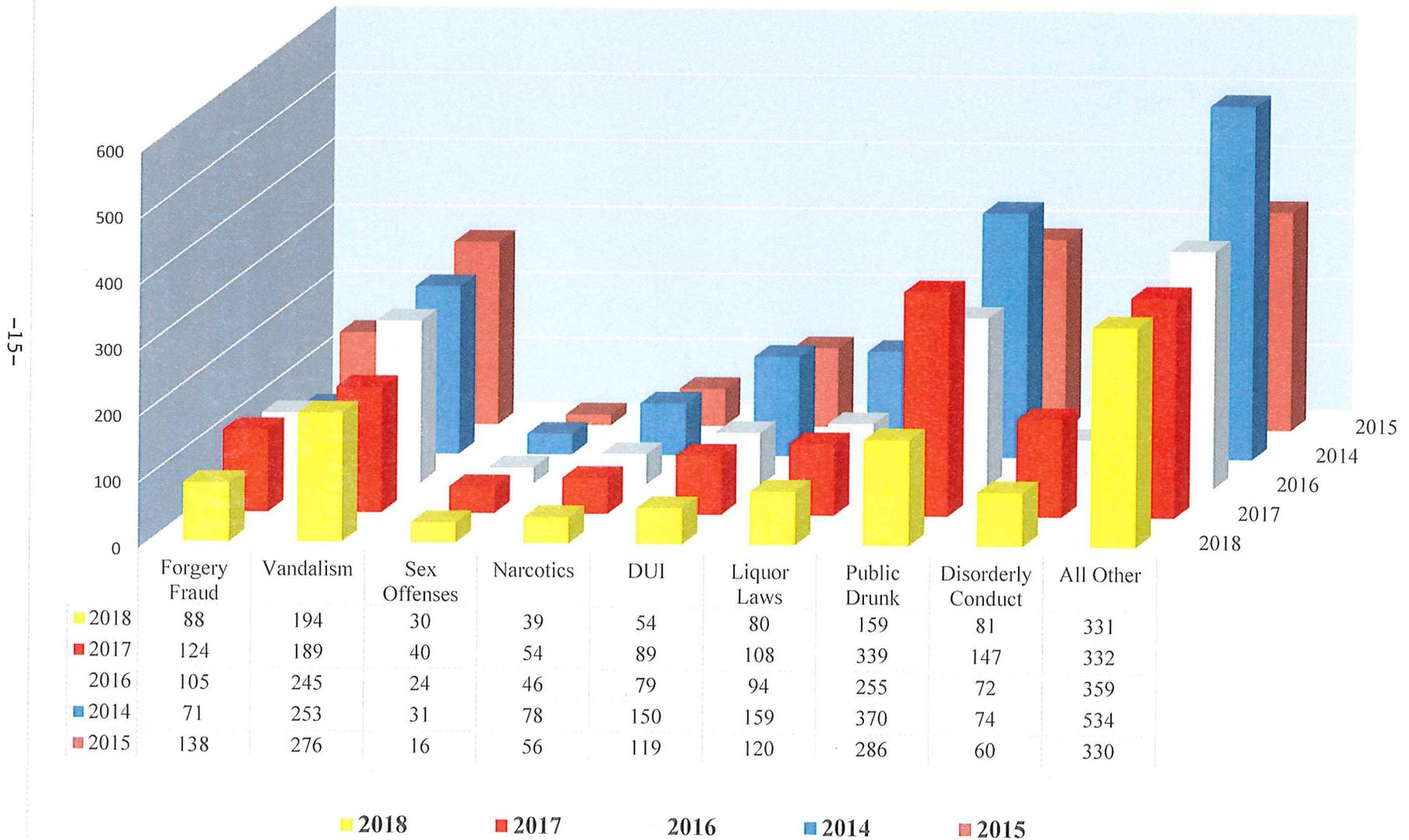


WEST CHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT West Chester - East Bradford Combined UCR Part I





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West Chester - East Bradford
Combined UCR Part II



**West Chester Borough - East Bradford Township
Combined UCR Data
2018**

Part I	2018 Offenses (Includes Attempts)	2018 Offenses Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means	% Cleared
Homicide	3	2	0
Rape	7	7	100
Robbery	11	6	55
Assault	134	111	83
Burglary	46	20	43
Theft	245	55	22
MV Theft	19	3	16
Arson	0	0	100
Total	465	204	44
Part II	2018 Offenses (Includes Attempts)	2018 Offenses Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means	% Cleared
Forgery	3	4	100
Fraud	85	18	21
Embezzlement	0	0	100
Vandalism	194	46	39
Stolen Property	2	1	50
Weapons	3	3	100
Sex Offenses	30	17	57
Narcotics	39	31	79
Offenses -Family/Children	0	0	100
DUI	54	53	98
Liquor Laws	80	77	96
Drunkenness	159	155	97
Disorderly Conduct	81	78	96
Vagrancy	0	0	100
All Other Offenses	326	303	93
Total	1056	786	74



**West Chester Borough
UCR Data
2018**

Part I	2018 Offenses (Includes Attempts)	2018 Offenses Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means	% Cleared
Homicide	1	1	100
Rape	6	7	100
Robbery	10	6	60
Assault	122	105	86
Burglary	41	18	44
Theft	194	47	24
MV Theft	17	2	12
Arson	0	0	100
Total	391	186	48
Part II	2018 Offenses (Includes Attempts)	2018 Offenses Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means	% Cleared
Forgery	2	3	100
Fraud	61	18	30
Embezzlement	0	0	100
Vandalism	180	44	24
Stolen Property	2	1	50
Weapons	2	2	100
Sex Offenses	27	17	63
Narcotics	37	30	81
Offenses -Family/Children	0	0	100
DUI	46	45	98
Liquor Laws	80	77	96
Public Drunkenness	153	149	97
Disorderly Conduct	75	73	97
Vagrancy	0	0	100
All Other	314	298	95
Total	979	757	77

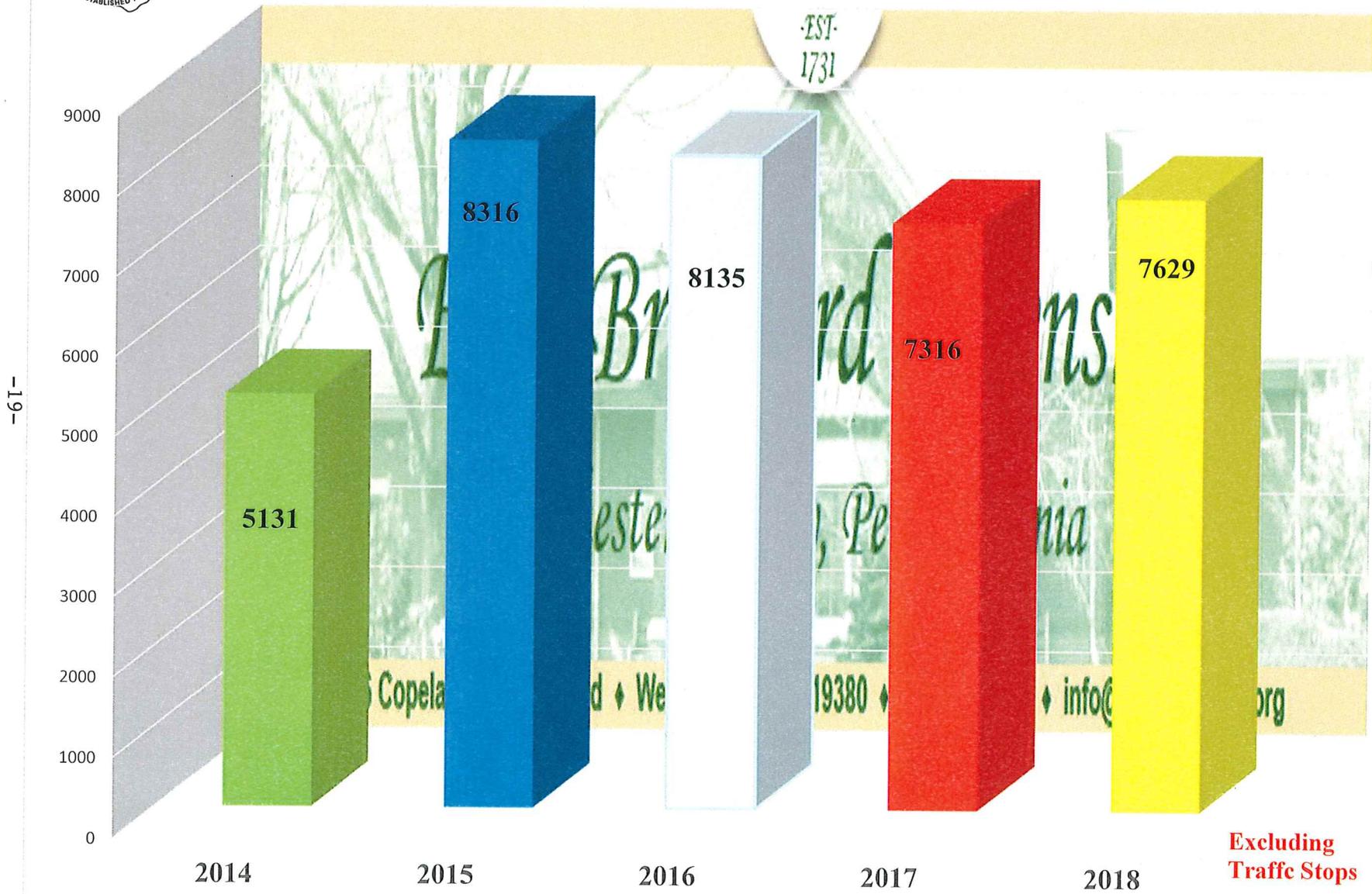


**East Bradford Township
UCR Data
2018**

Part I	2018 Offenses (Includes Attempts)	2018 Offenses Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means	% Cleared
Homicide	2	1	50
Rape	1	0	0
Robbery	1	0	0
Assault	12	6	50
Burglary	5	2	40
Theft	51	8	16
MV Theft	2	1	50
Arson	0	0	100
Total	74	18	24
Part II	2018 Offenses (Includes Attempts)	2018 Offenses Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means	% Cleared
Forgery	1	1	100
Fraud	24	0	0
Vandalism	14	2	7
Stolen Property	0	0	100
Weapons	1	1	100
Sex Offenses	3	0	0
Narcotics	2	1	50
Offenses -Family/Children	0	0	100
DUI	8	8	100
Liquor Laws	0	0	100
Drunkenness	6	6	100
Disorderly Conduct	6	5	83
Vagrancy	0	0	100
All Other	12	5	42
Total	77	29	38



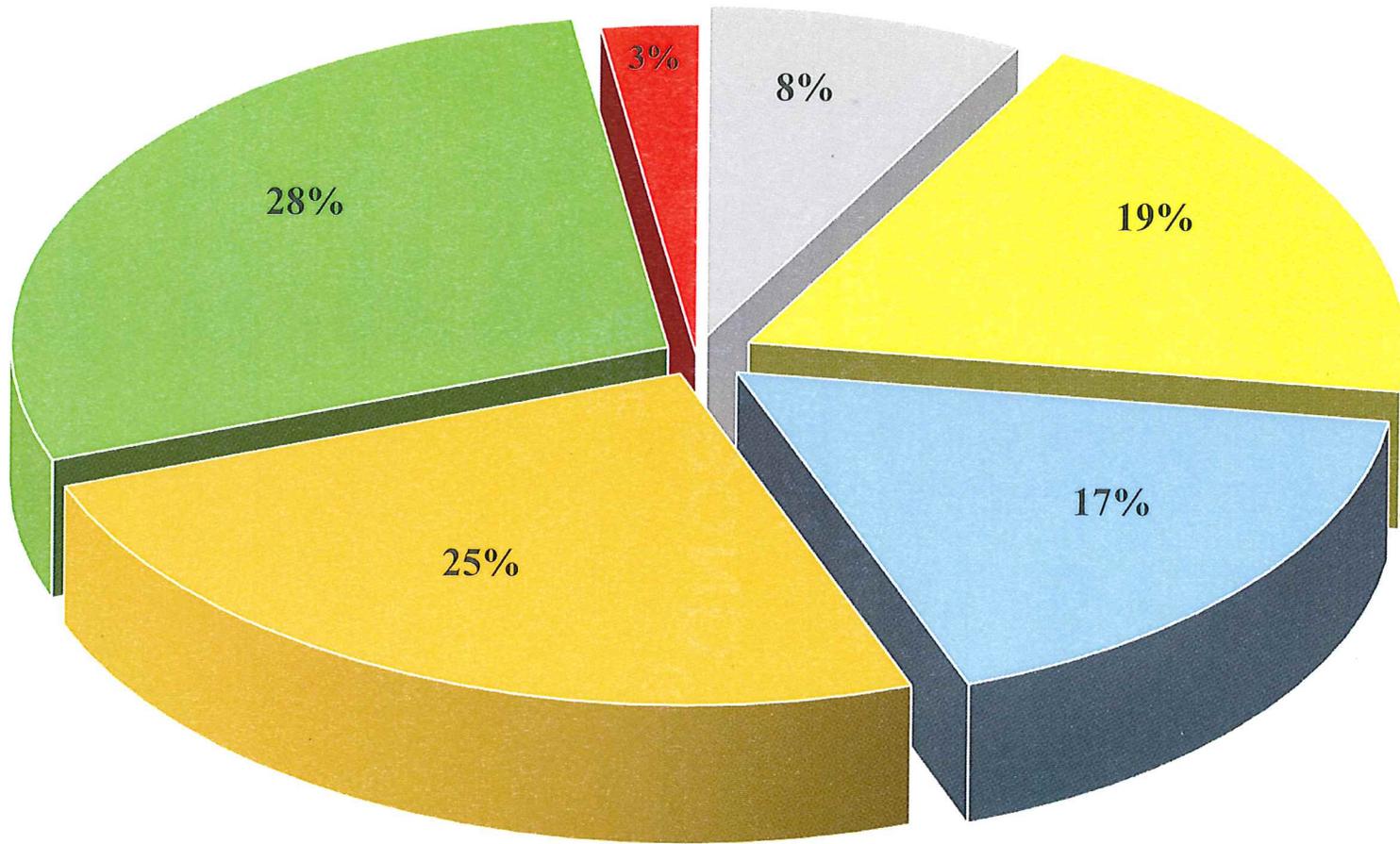
East Bradford Township Calls for Service





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Calls for Service - Sectors



- 3023 (North-East)
- 3024 (North-West)
- 3025 (South-West)
- 3026 (South-East)
- 3039 (East Bradford)
- 0000 (WCB)
- 0000 (EBT)

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Scott L. Bohn
Chief of Police



GENERAL STATISTICS 2018



The General Statistics for the West Chester Police Department during 2018 reflect an approximate less than 1% increase in the number of calls-for-service over the past year. General Statistics also reflect that crime reported to the West Chester Police Department (combined Part I and Part II) decreased 21% overall, with a 4% decrease in Part I crimes and an approximate 17% increase in Part II and/or secondary crime.

The number of Part I crimes known to our Police Department is **the lowest total of Part I crimes reported in the last twenty-two (22) years**. The serious crime trends continue a positive outlook for the community with respect to providing a safe environment for our citizenry and our business community.

The current volume of calls-for-service, quality of life crimes, traffic concerns, personnel staffing and a challenging economic climate is a challenge for our Police Department and our community. Environmental conditions and demographics have and will continue to impact crime. The Police Department is proud of our public safety service and law enforcement activities in our community. The elected officials and appointed leaders in our community(s) are encouraged to share our collective accomplishments and continue our work in a shared vision and goal for a safer community and better quality of life.

Social Media

Our Social Media Sites, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram continue to promote our department and assist us in providing information to our community.

In December 2018 our Facebook page reached 12,187 “Likes” and 12,694 “Followers” which continued to keep us above all other departments in Chester County.

WCPD Facebook



West Chester
Borough Police
Department ✓
@wcbpd



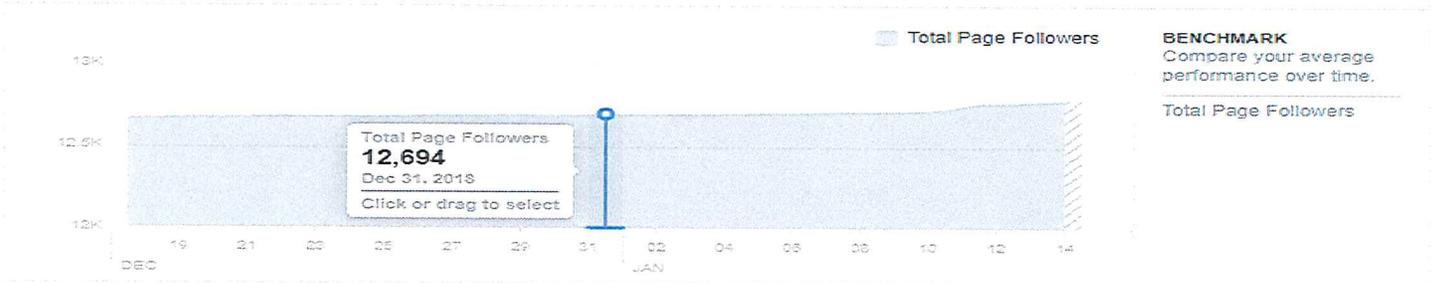
Liked Following Share ...

Call Now

Social Media Sites-Facebook

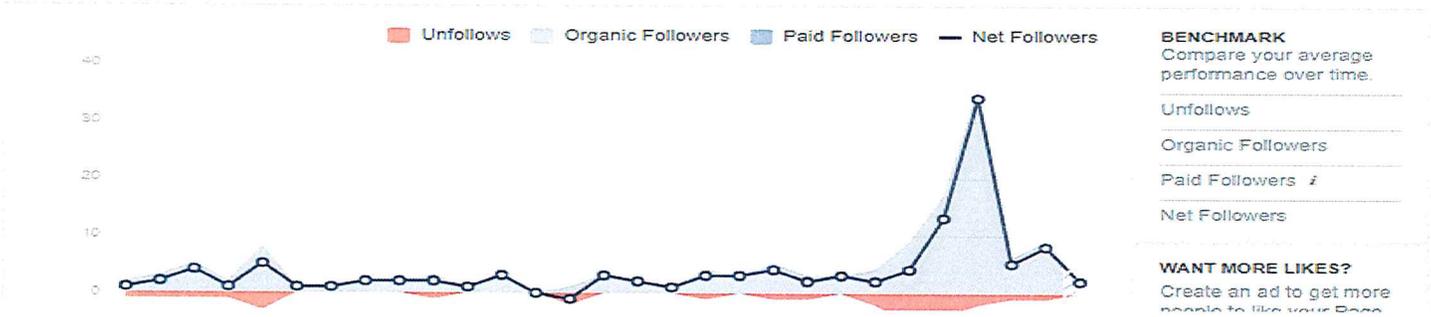
This image shows our total WCPD Facebook Page "Followers" as 12.31.2018

Total Page Followers as of Today: 12,788



Net Followers

Net followers shows the number of new followers minus the number of unfollows.

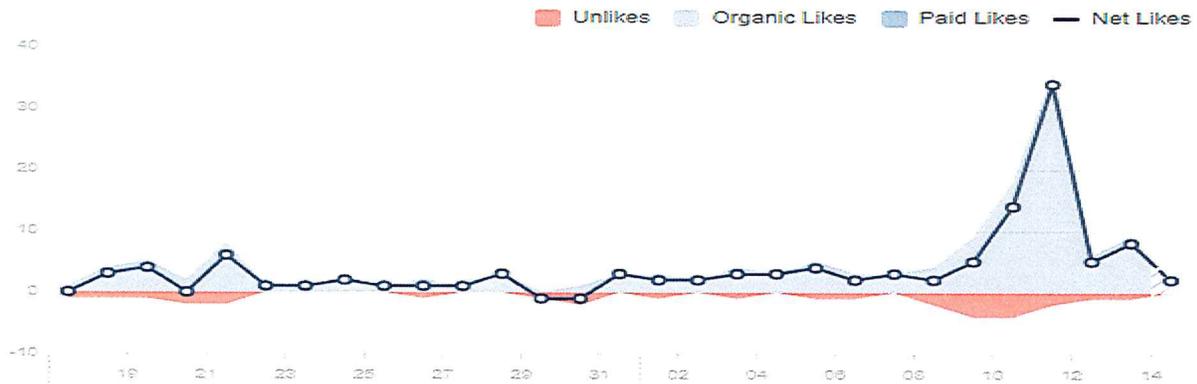


This image shows the total Facebook Page "Likes" as of 12.31.2018



Net Likes

Net likes shows the number of new likes minus the number of unlikes.



Social Media Sites-Facebook:

This image shows the West Chester Police Facebook page ranking with other Chester County Police Departments

Pages to Watch

Compare the performance of your Page and posts with similar Pages on Facebook.

Add Pages

Reactions, Comments & Shares \neq

Page	Total Page Likes	From Last Week	Posts This Week	Engagement This Week
YOU 1 West Chester Borough ...	12.3K	▲0.6%	6	1.2K
2 Phoenixville Police	7.8K	▲0.2%	4	334
3 City of Coatesville Polic...	7K	▲0.1%	3	316
4 West Goshen Township ...	6.3K	▲2%	2	1K
5 West Whiteland Townsh...	5.7K	▲0.1%	4	341

Twitter

As of the end of 2018 our Twitter Page continues to grow with 951 followers. Over the past years we have seen more engagement on Twitter from our followers.



W.C. Borough Police

@WCBoroPolice

223 Following 951 Followers

Instagram

As of the end of 2018 our Instagram page has grown to 1,783 followers. Our research has shown that ages 18 through 28 use Instagram as their main social media platform.



westchesterpolice ▾



162 profile visits in the last 7 days



506
posts

1,783
followers

192
following

Promotions

Edit Profile

West Chester Borough Police

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Snapchat

In 2018 we introduced a social media site known as “Snapchat”. This platform is popular with teens through adults. As of December 31, 2018, we have 269 followers on this platform.



The goal of all our social media sites is to provide information to our followers and to show our officers and staff out in our community with our residents. We have had a great response and engagement with our social media sites and hope to expand them in 2019.



ACCIDENT ANALYSIS

Overall, vehicle crashes reported to and investigated by the West Chester Police Department decreased 12% from 2017 to 2018, with a total of ninety-nine (99) less accidents during 2018. However, the raw numbers do not reflect the entire picture. Vehicle accidents more aptly described as “vehicle crashes” as most accidents are not quite as “accidental” as the name suggests, are divided into four categories: Reportable Crashes, Non-Reportable Crashes, Fatalities, and Hit and Runs.

REPORTABLE CRASHES:

Reportable crashes are defined as those crashes in which the driver, vehicle occupant, pedestrian, or bicyclist is injured, or the damage to any vehicle is so severe as to render the vehicle inoperable. During the calendar year 2018, the number of reportable crashes increased approximately 118%: there were seventy-nine (79) documented in 2017. This number represented reportable-accidents with personal injuries (only). In 2018 the Department documented one hundred seventy-two (172) reportable accidents as defined by PennDOT (includes injured).

NON-REPORTABLE CRASHES:

Non-reportable crashes are defined as the converse of reportable crashes. Stated another way, non-reportable crashes are those crashes where no one was injured, and the vehicle could be removed from the crash scene under its own power. Although Commonwealth Law does not require one to report these crashes to the police, some individuals and, more particularly, their insurance companies, request a police investigation. As such, the Police Department can count those non-reportable crashes that are actually reported to the police, but there is no way to know what percent of these type crashes is reported or actually occur in the Borough or the Township. Non-reportable crashes reported to the police department decreased by 35% from five hundred seventy-three (373) in 2017 to three hundred seventy-three during 2018.

FATALITIES:

There were two (2) fatal accident in 2018. There were no fatalities in 2017.

HIT AND RUNS

As a general rule, the driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in damage to a vehicle or other property shall immediately stop the vehicle at the scene of the accident or as close thereto as possible and shall remain at the scene of the accident until he/she has fulfilled the requirements as promulgated in the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code, Title 75, relating to the duty to give/provide information and render aid if necessary. In too many instances, individuals involved in motor vehicle crashes ignore their obligation and leave the scene of the “accident.” Those hit and run crashes reported to the police department decreased by approximately 13% from one hundred-ninety (190) in 2017 to one hundred seventy-six (176) in 2018.

ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS

Fatal Accidents

There were two (2) fatal accidents in 2018.

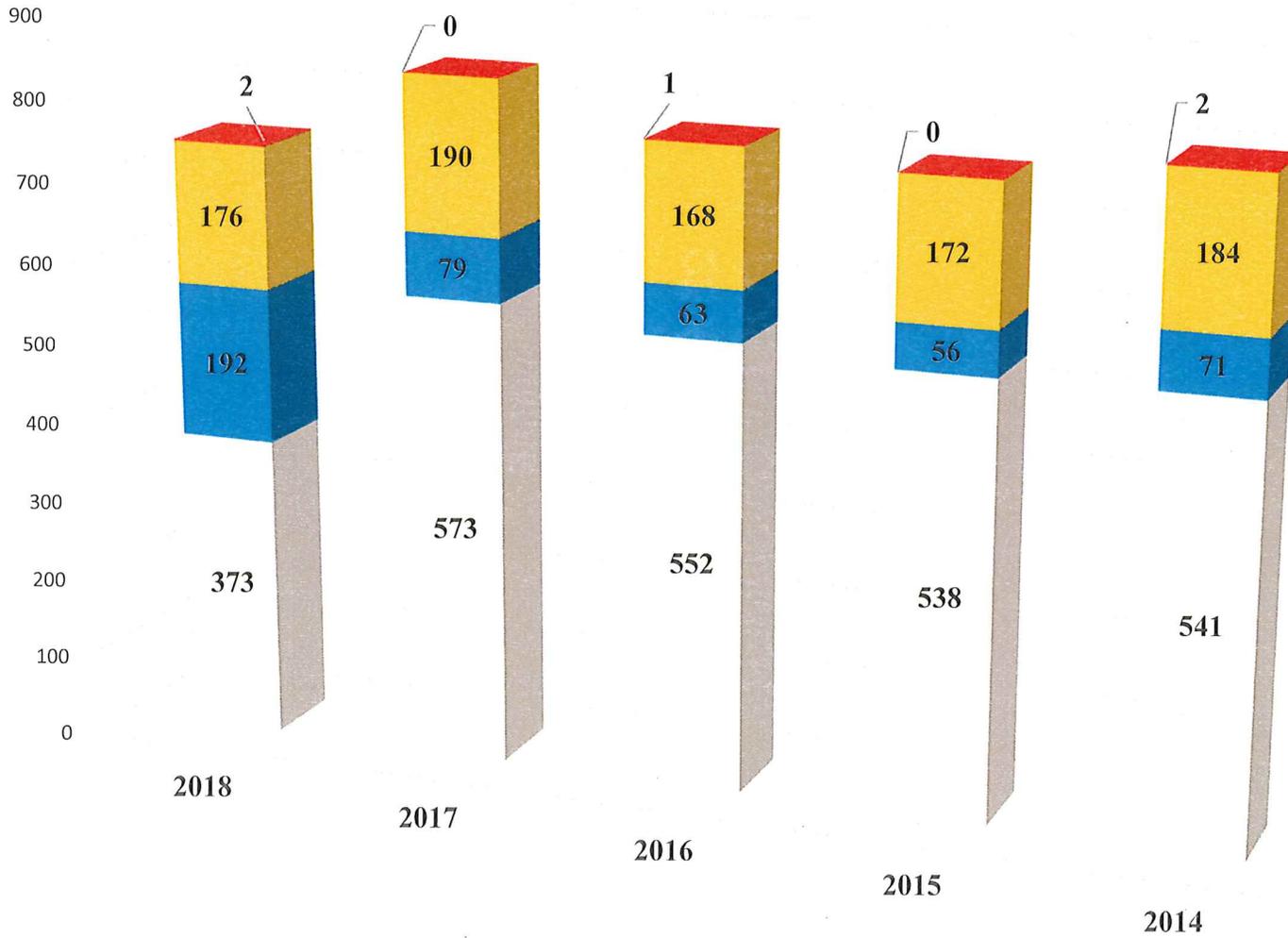
SCAT Team Investigations:

During the 2018 calendar year, the West Chester Police Department assisted on the following serious crashes within Chester County.

February 4, 2018	500 block of Wall Street in East Pikeland Township
April 19, 2018	200 block of Old Kennett Pike in Kennett Township
July 21, 2018	300 block of Kennett Pike in Kennett Township
November 9, 2018	1000 block of West Lincoln Highway in Valley Township



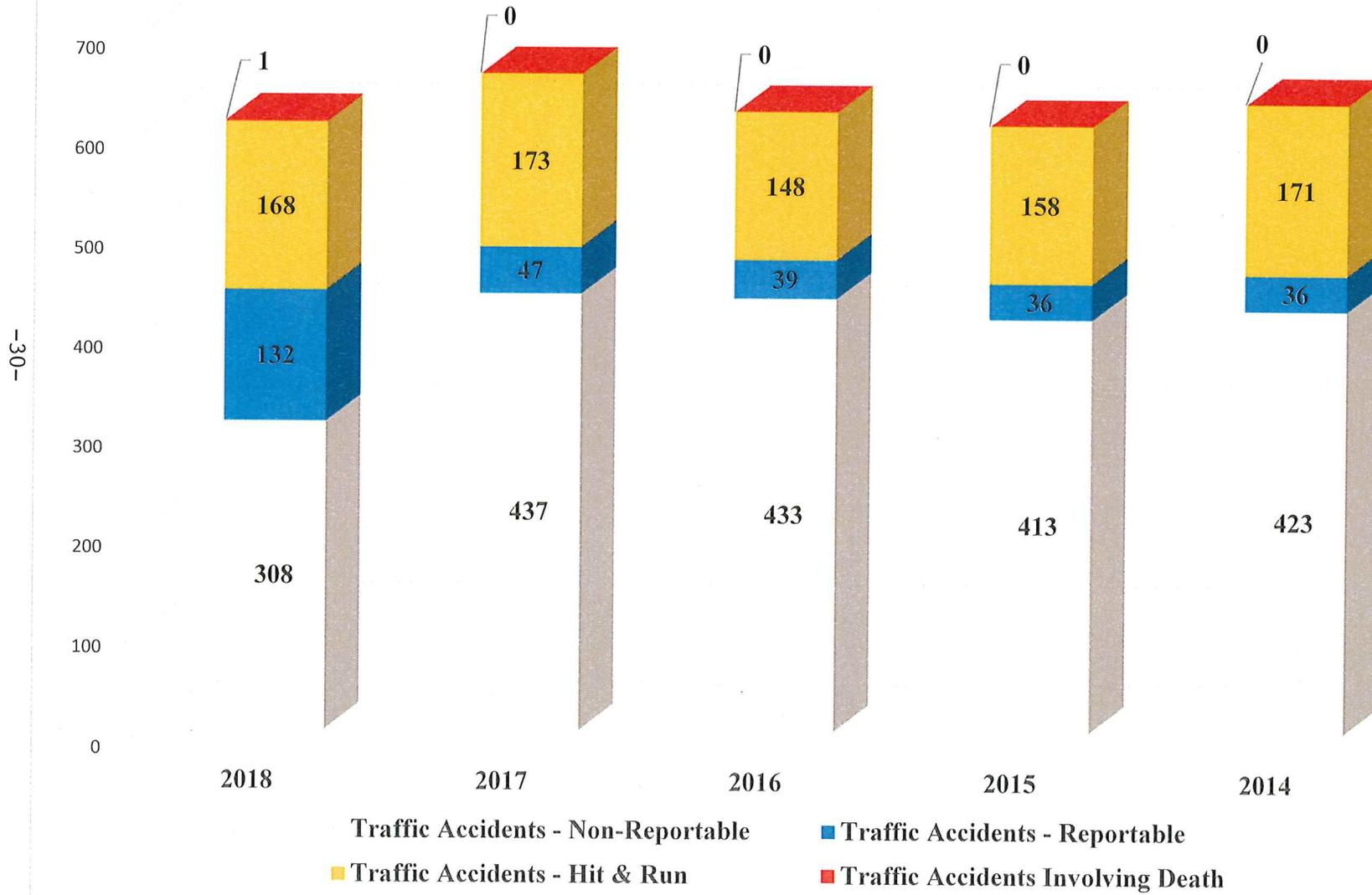
WEST CHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT Crash Investigations



- Traffic Accidents - Non-Reportable
- Traffic Accidents - Reportable
- Traffic Accidents - Hit & Run
- Traffic Accidents Involving Death

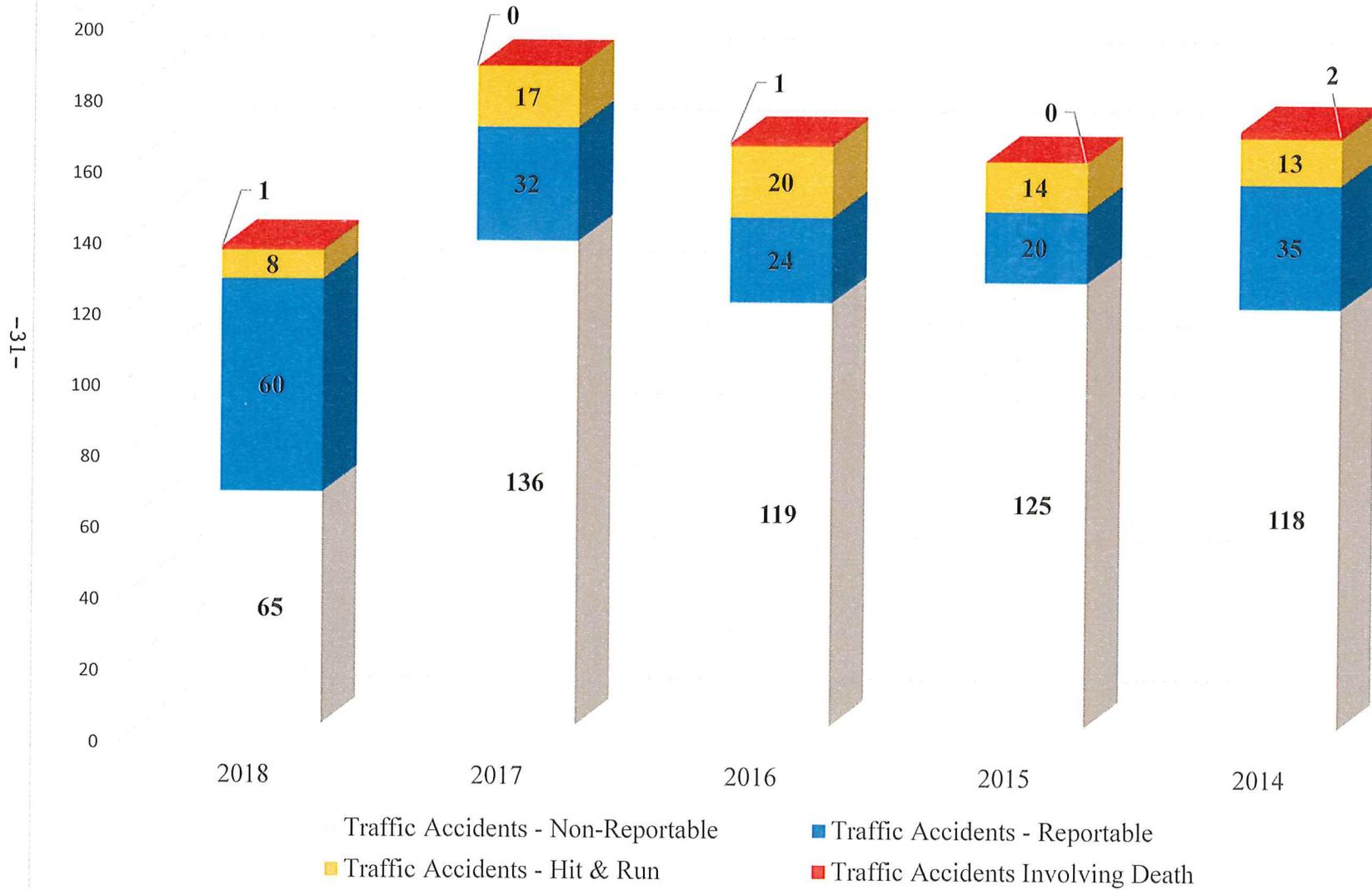


WEST CHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT Crash Investigations West Chester Borough





WEST CHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT Crash Investigations East Bradford Township





DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE

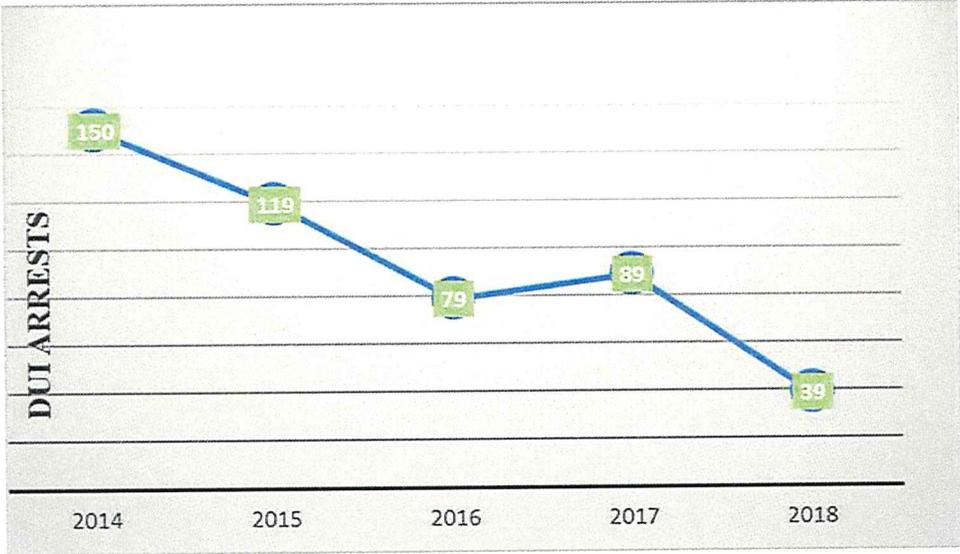


The West Chester Police Department recognizes the importance of searching for DUI drivers in an attempt to lower fatalities due to alcohol and/or drug related vehicle crashes and to lessen the overall personal injury and property loss due to vehicle crashes in our service communities. In 2018, the West Chester Police Department made thirty-nine (39) DUI arrests. In 2017, the Department made eighty-nine (89) DUI arrests. The Department had recorded over two hundred (200) arrests in each year between 2006 through 2009.

DUI checkpoints are conducted in association with the Chester County Highway Safety Project. There was one (1) DUI checkpoint conducted during the calendar year 2018. A checkpoint was conducted on April 27, 2018. During the checkpoint, 717 motorists were contacted, sixteen (16) drivers were detained for field testing, five (5) drivers were arrested for DUI-alcohol, two (2) drivers were arrested for DUI -drugs, one (1) driver was arrested for drug possession, and one (1) person was cited for underage drinking. Four (4) additional arrests were made by Pennsylvania State Police roving patrols who floated in the area of the checkpoint.

The increased success and number of restaurants and liquor establishments in our community increases the probability and likelihood that a larger number of individuals will attempt to drive while intoxicated.

Drunk driving is the largest cause of traffic fatalities, claiming more 10,000 lives a year, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). “Ride-sharing” services may be impacting the number of DUI arrests. While there is not statistical support for this suggestion, services like *Uber and Lyft* can provide an alternative to drunk driving and help people make more responsible choices.





TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS



Each year, emphasis is placed on traffic safety and enforcement. In 2018, the Department was again significantly impacted by reductions in Commonwealth funding for target traffic enforcement details. The enforcement of our state vehicular laws is an essential and important service to the residents of, and visitors to, our communities. Traffic arrests/citations issued by the West Chester Police Department decreased approximately 20% in 2018. The issuance of “written traffic warnings” increased approximately 43% in 2018. In 2018, the Department’s total number of “traffic details” in our service communities increased by approximately 25%. In 2018, the Department continued to utilize computer hardware and software technology that will continue to benefit our communities in assessing current vehicular traffic. The technology has and will continue to aid in future traffic planning in our community and the surrounding municipalities.

A continued emphasis during 2018 on the Department’s traffic safety goals and objectives is a double-edged sword. A special cautionary note was noted in the 2006 and each subsequent Annual Report until 2016. It should be recalled in past reports when presented. The note, specifically, relates to the number of calls-for-service reported each year. Vehicle stops for traffic violations were not counted as a call-for-service. The Department’s calls-for-service volume, patrol and the allocation of personnel impact traffic enforcement figures.

The officers are required to satisfy daily court obligations at four (4) separate locations: two (2) District Courts, Common Pleas Court, and Juvenile Court, and the number and/or issuance of criminal arrests and non-traffic citations have remained consistently high. The above stated factors, in addition to the Department’s level of staffing and staffing requirements impact our traffic enforcement statistics.

Speed Details

During the 2018 calendar year, the West Chester Police Department conducted the following speed enforcement details within East Bradford Township. Each detail consists of three police officers (overtime).

June 14, 2018	900 block of Sconnelltown Road
June 20, 2018	900 block of Sunset Hollow Road
June 21, 2018	900 block of Copeland School Road
June 22, 2018	1200 block of Skelp Level Road
July 17, 2018	800 block of West Miner Street
July 19, 2018	1100 block of Allerton Road
July 26, 2018	100 block of Lucky Hill Road
July 26, 2018	700 block of Downingtown Pike
July 27, 2018	1000 block of Copeland School Road
August 13, 2018	1200 block of Skelp Level Road
August 15, 2018	1000 block of Copeland School Road
August 23, 2018	900 block of Sconnelltown Road
September 6, 2018	800 block of Hillsdale Road
September 7, 2018	1100 block of Allerton Road
September 27, 2018	1100 block of Allerton Road

Traffic Studies

During the 2018 calendar year, the West Chester Police Department conducted the following traffic studies.

Speed Issue – Marlin Drive

Speed Issue – Harmony Hill Road

Speed Issue – Sconnelltown Road

Speed Issue – 300 South New Street

Speed Issue – 700 block of South Wayne Street

Speed Issue – Skelp Level Road

Stop Sign Issue – Everhart Street and West Niels Street

Stop Sign Issue – Radley Run Development

Stop Sign Issue – Church Street and Dean Street

Stop Sign Issue – South New Street at Dean Street

Stop Sign Issue – Dean Street at South Brandywine Street

No Truck Issue – Skelp Level Road

Pedestrian Issues – 600/700 block of South High Street

Parking Issue - 50 block of West Marshal Street

Traffic Flow Issue – Valley Creek Road at the disabled bridge

Traffic Flow Issue – The commercial business district in reference to the “Dub-C 4 Miler” race

Traffic Flow Issue – In reference to the closure of 700 South Church Street

Speed Enforcement Program

The traffic unit developed a patrol level speed enforcement training program. The goal of this program is to train patrol officers how to properly use speed timing devices and conduct speed enforcement. The program was approved by the Municipal Police Officer Education and Training Committee as an official state recognized class. This class will be rolled out to the patrol squads during the 2019 calendar year.

Mock Crash – Henderson High School

The traffic unit assisted with the mock crash demonstration at Henderson High School during prom week. Officers assisted with the program by providing hands-on demonstrations related to DUI crashes and arrests.

Traffic Incident – Management Conference

The traffic unit assisted the Philadelphia Regional Traffic Incident Management Conference with a hands-on crash reconstruction demonstration. The demonstration was held at the annual TIMS Conference at Citizen's Bank Park.

Drone Program

The traffic unit took possession of a Drone from Chester County. The drone will be used for crash investigations and event planning. Policy has been developed for usage. In 2019 members of the unit will be trained to fly the drone and use the accompanying software.

PennDOT Signage – Special Events

The traffic unit worked with PENNDOT to develop a notification procedure for West Chester's large events. These events will now be advertised on large PENNDOT sign boards along the major highways in the area. The signs will advise motorists to avoid downtown West Chester if they are not attending the event, in an effort reduce traffic congestion on event days.

Truck Enforcement

The traffic unit initiated a regional truck enforcement program in East Bradford Township. Several truck enforcement details were conducted with members of the West Chester Police Department and several surrounding police departments. This program was very successful and will be expanded during the 2019 calendar year.

Traffic Stops

During 2018, over three thousand sixteen (3,016) traffic stops were documented in the police Record Management System (RMS). These resulted in six hundred eighty-seven (687) verbal warnings, six hundred-eight (608) written warnings, and one thousand seven hundred twenty-one (1,721) citations.

Aggressive Driving Enforcement

One (1) wave was funded in 2018.

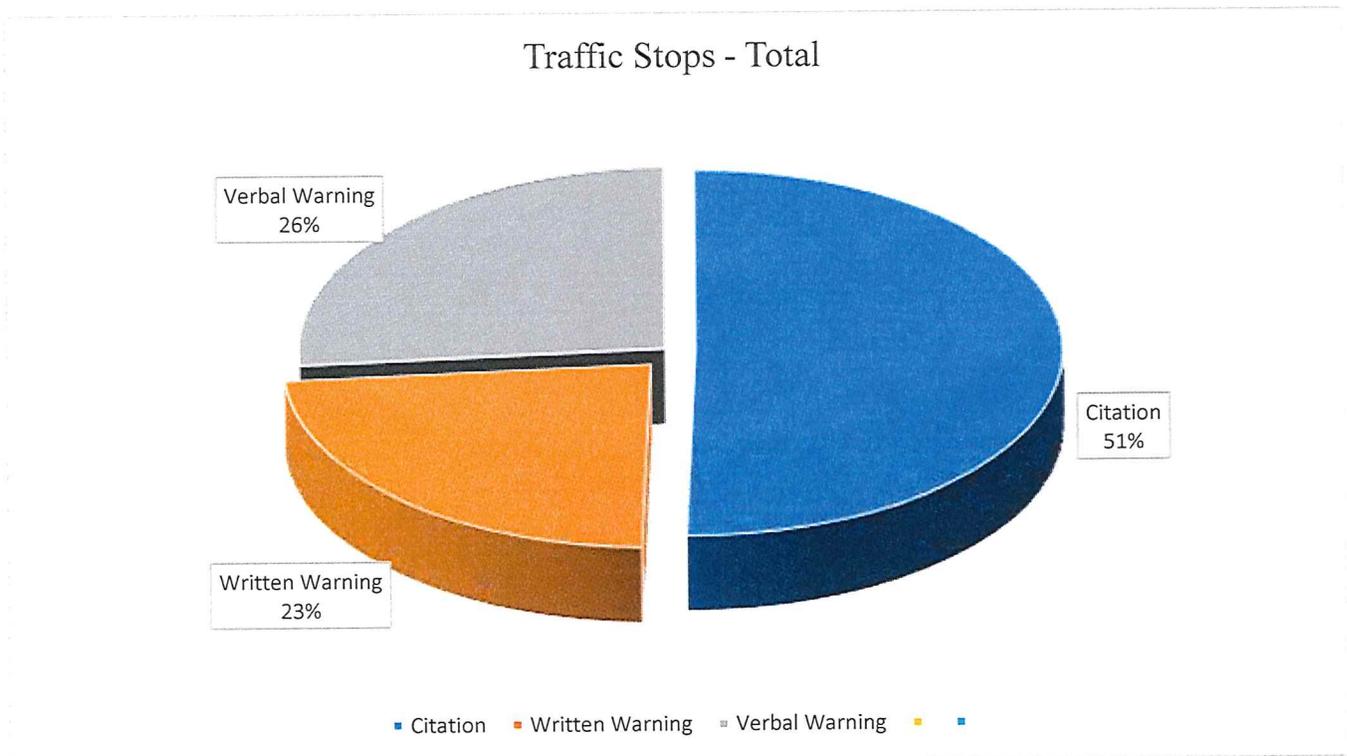
First wave: March 20, 2018 through April 30, 2018, six (6) details.

- These resulted in forty-eight (48) citations: one (1) for Traffic Control Signals, three (3) suspended license violation, and forty-four (44) for other traffic violations.

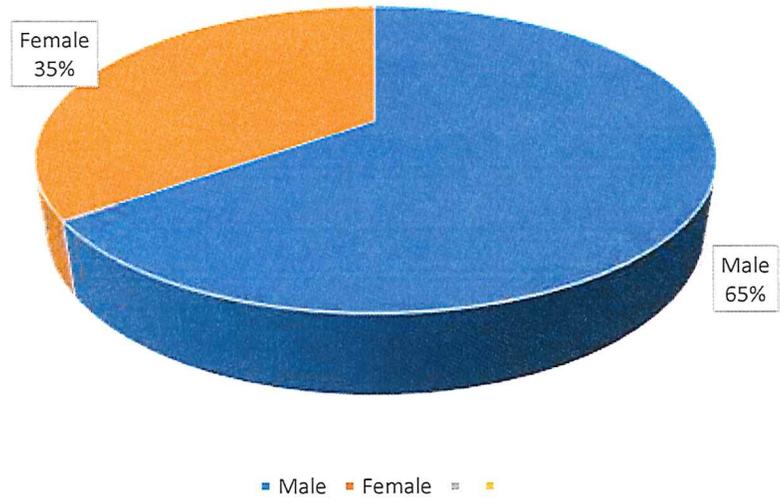
There was no special funding this year. The funding for the BUPA (Buckle-Up) projects has been decreasing steadily over the previous several years. This resulted in smaller grant amounts and limited the number of details.

TRAFFIC STOP REPORT 2018

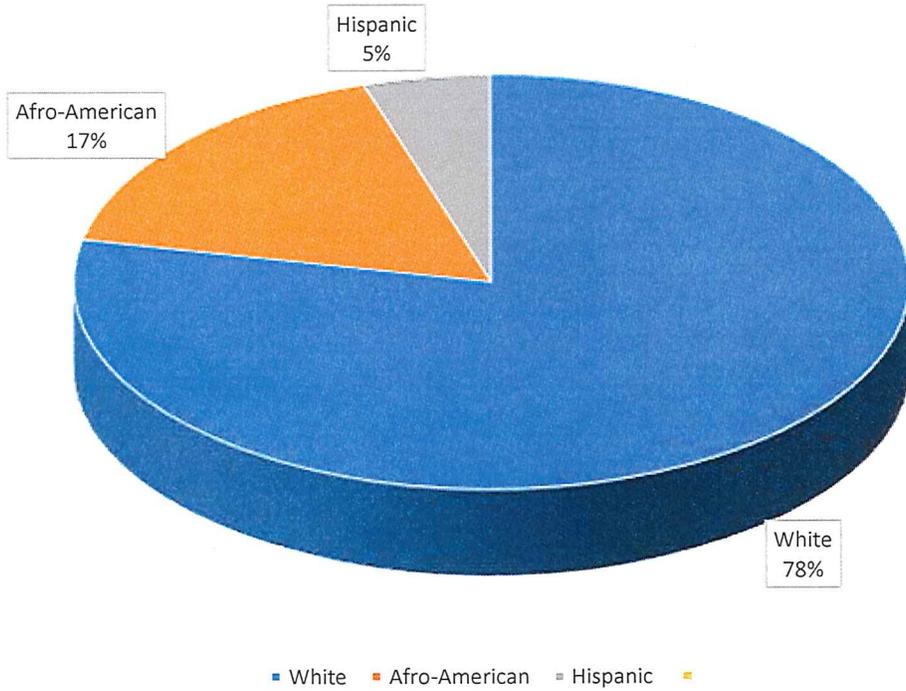
TOTAL TRAFFIC STOPS	2,616
TRAFFIC STOPS UCR 6315 (CITATION)	1,320
TRAFFIC STOPS UCR 6314 (WRITTEN WARNING)	609
TRAFFIC STOPS UCR 6313 (VERBAL WARNING)	687



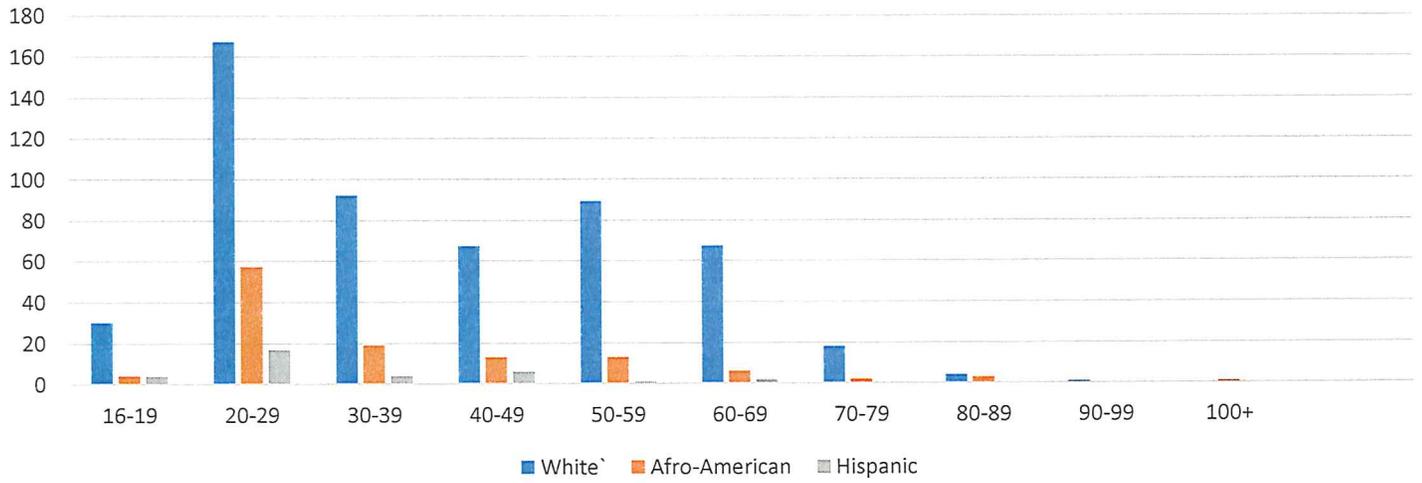
Traffic Stops - Gender



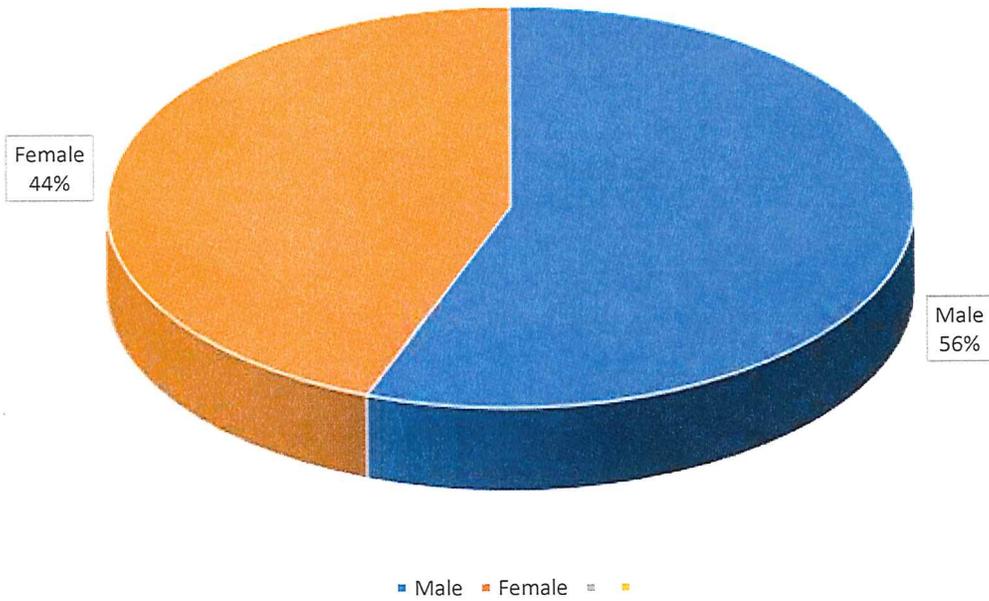
Traffic Stops - Race



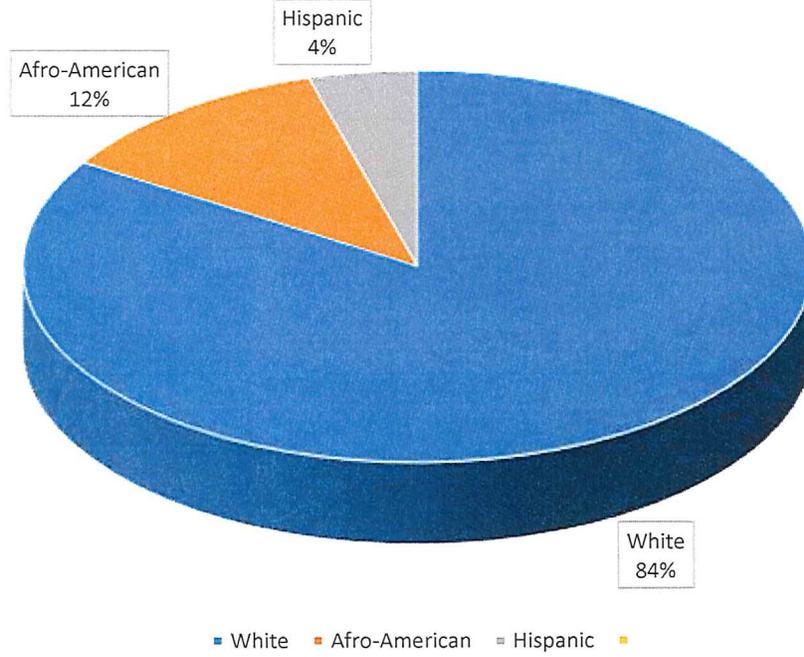
Traffic Stops - Age and Race



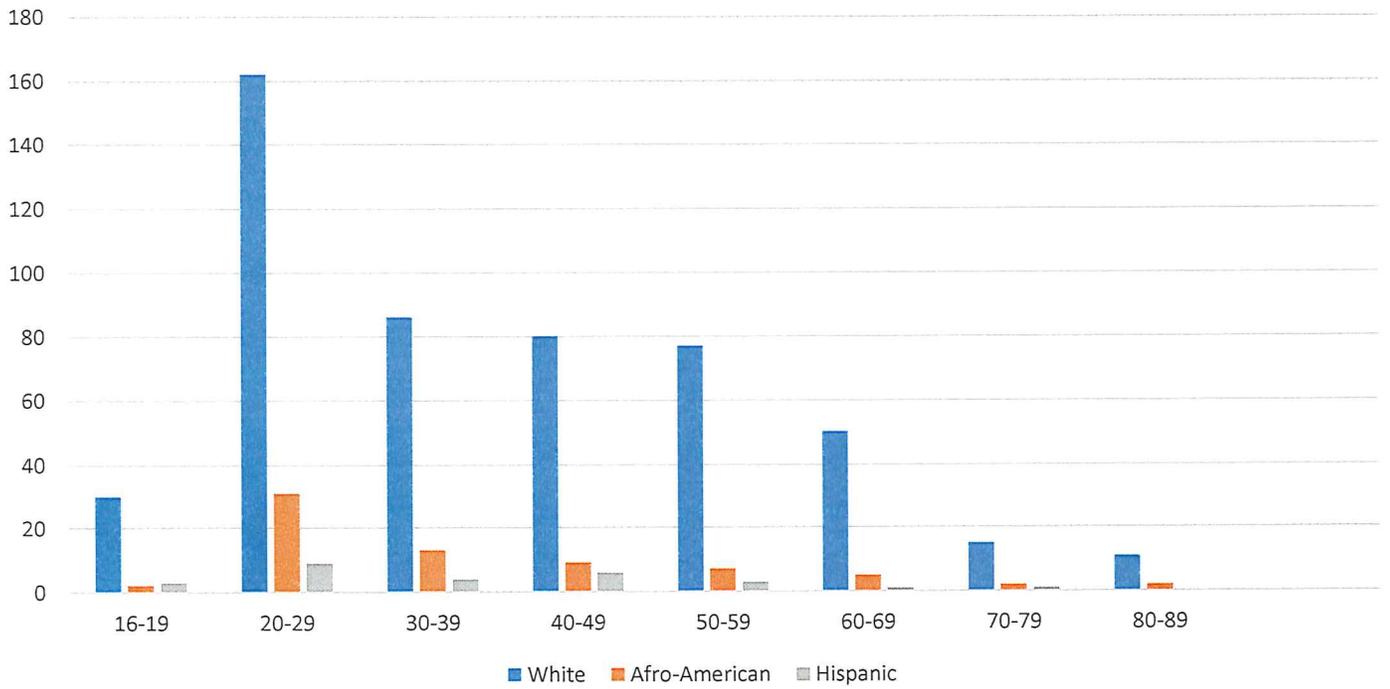
Written Warnings - Gender



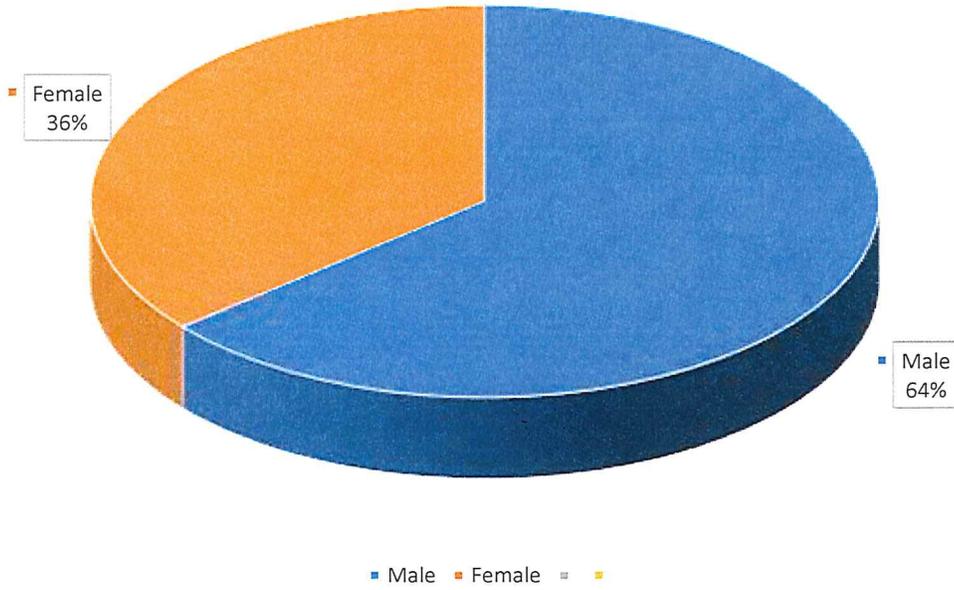
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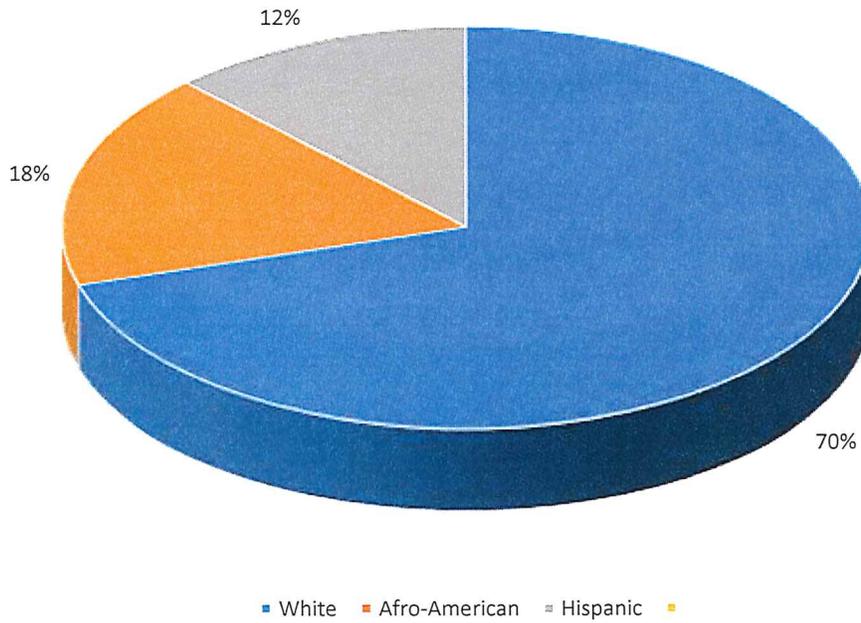
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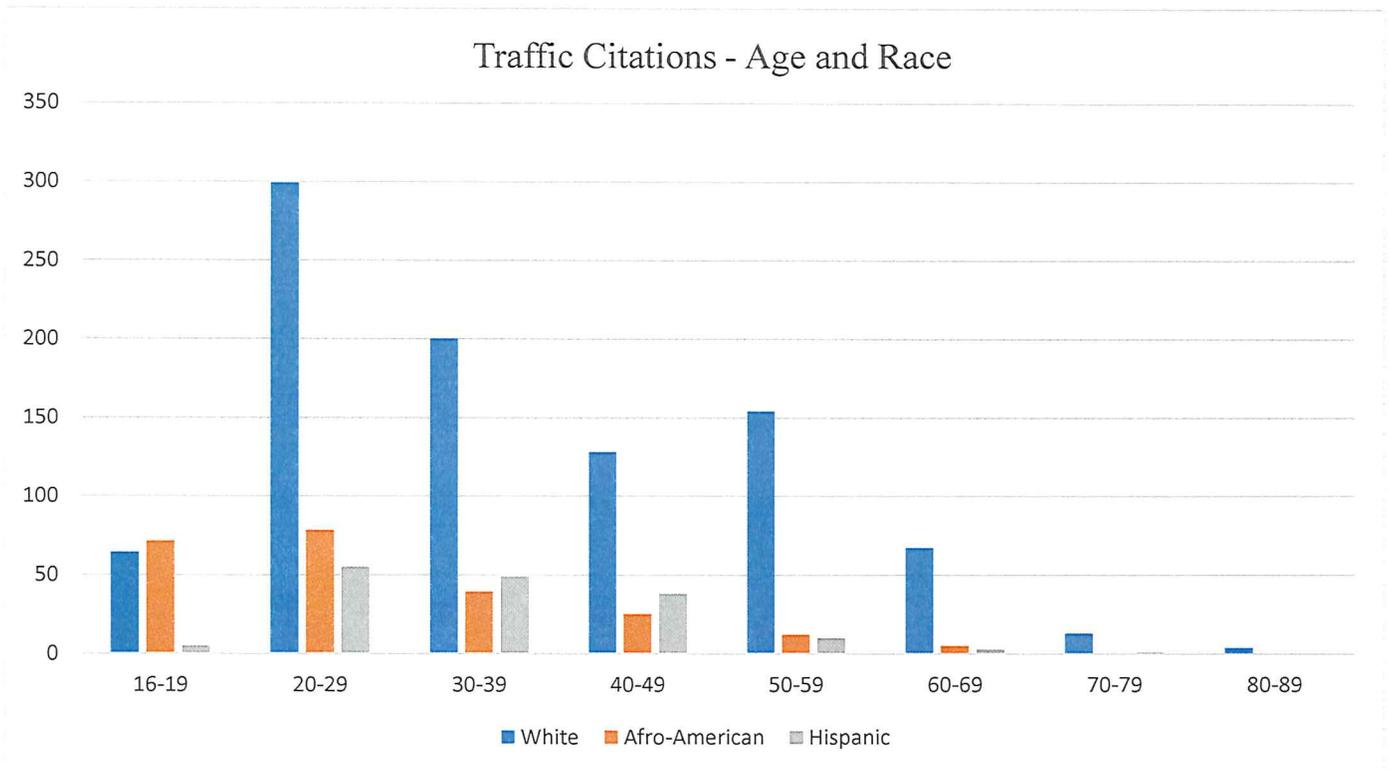


Traffic Citations - Gender



Traffic Citations - Race





Abandoned Vehicles

We carried over all of the changes from our process changes in 2015. Most vehicles stickered in 2017 were promptly removed at the seven-day mark required by state statute or very shortly thereafter. Five (5) vehicles were not moved in the required time and had to be towed. A total of thirty (30) vehicles were stickered.

- Step 1: Vehicle is stickered abandoned by either a citizen complaint or self-initiated activity by an Officer.
- Step 2: Officers send a letter via certified mail to the last registered owner of the vehicle informing them of the abandoned status of the vehicle as well as their requirements in the matter.
- Step 3: If the vehicle is not removed or returned to a legal status in the required seven (7) days, it is towed.

2016

Total number of vehicles processed:	40
Number of vehicles towed:	8
Number of vehicles removed by owners:	32
Number of vehicles brought in to compliance with registration/inspection:	0

2017

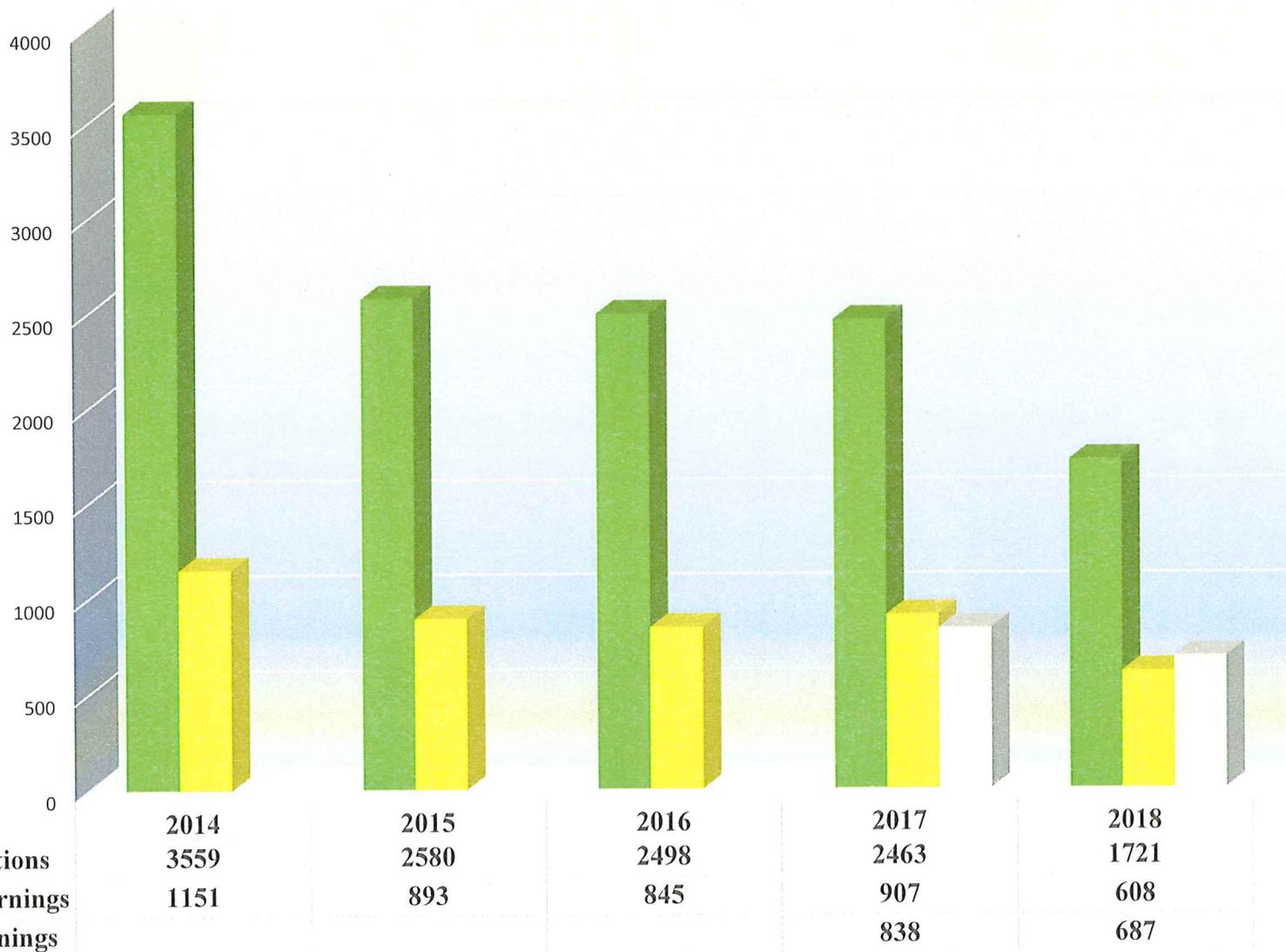
Total number of vehicles processed:	30
Number of vehicles towed:	5
Number of vehicles removed by owners:	4
Number of vehicles brought in to compliance with registration/inspection:	1

2018

Total number of vehicles processed:	33
Number of vehicles towed:	7
Number of vehicles removed by owners:	26
Number of vehicles brought in to compliance with registration/inspection:	0

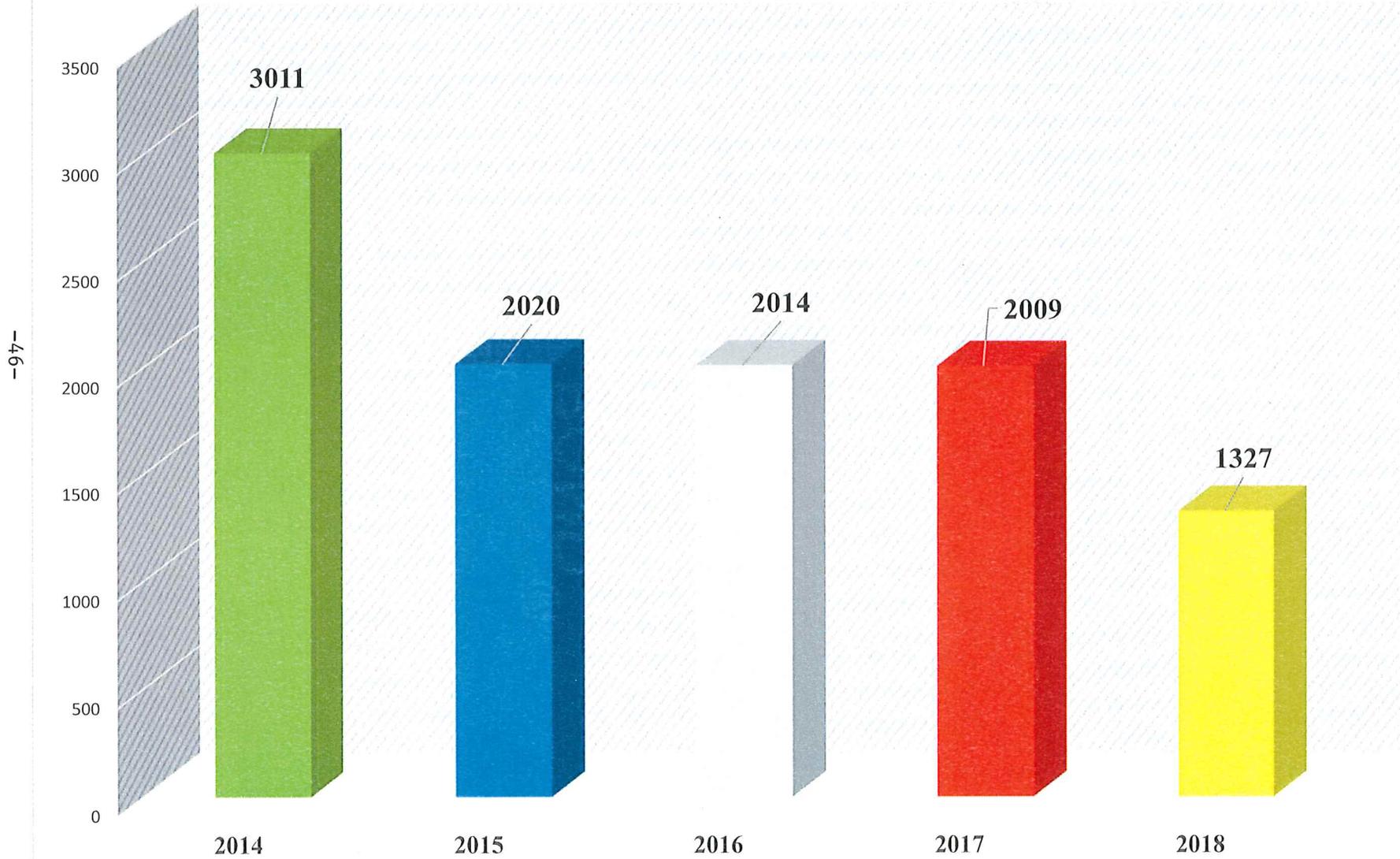


WEST CHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT Traffic West Chester - East Bradford Combined Totals



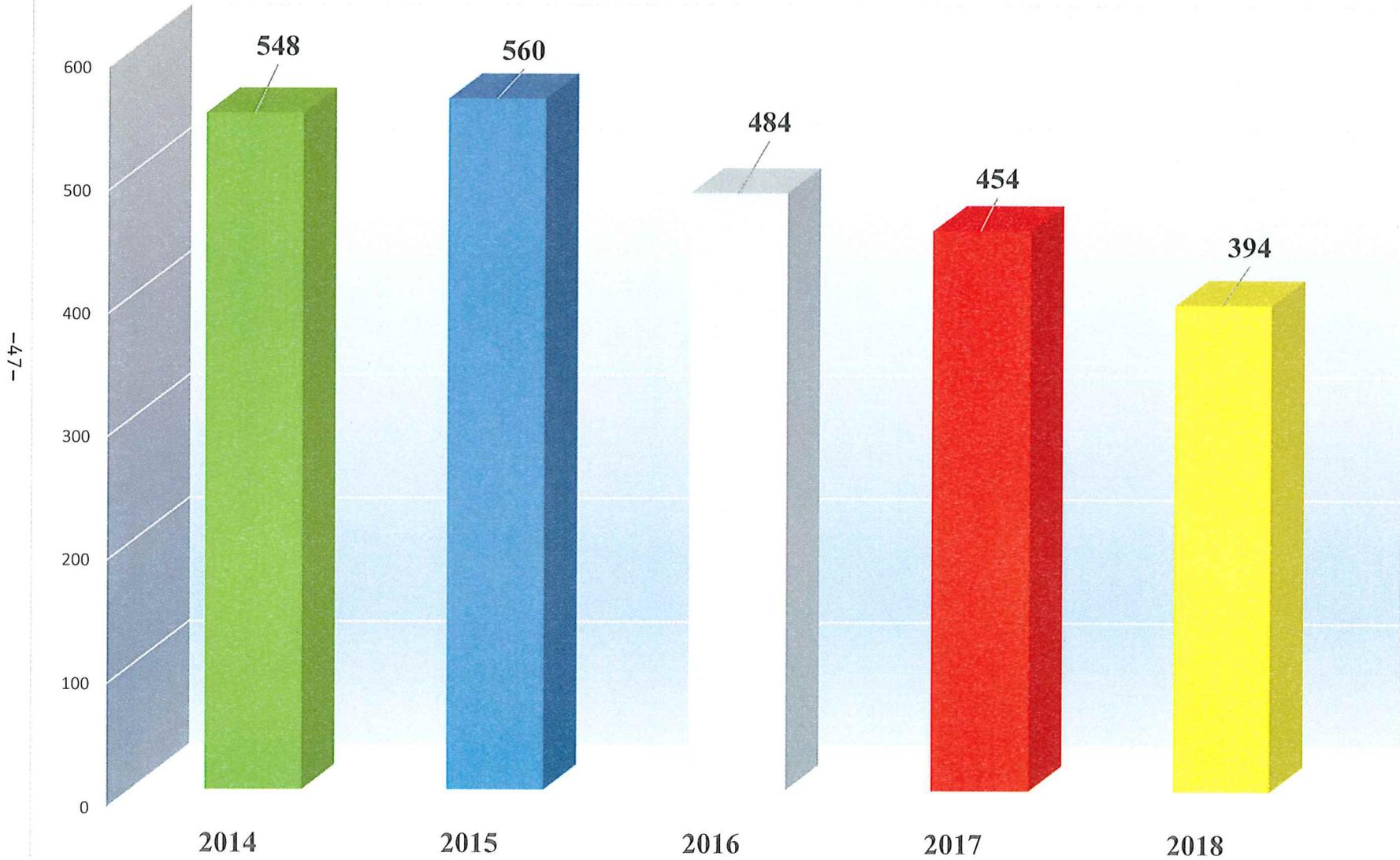


West Chester Police Department West Chester Borough Traffic Citations



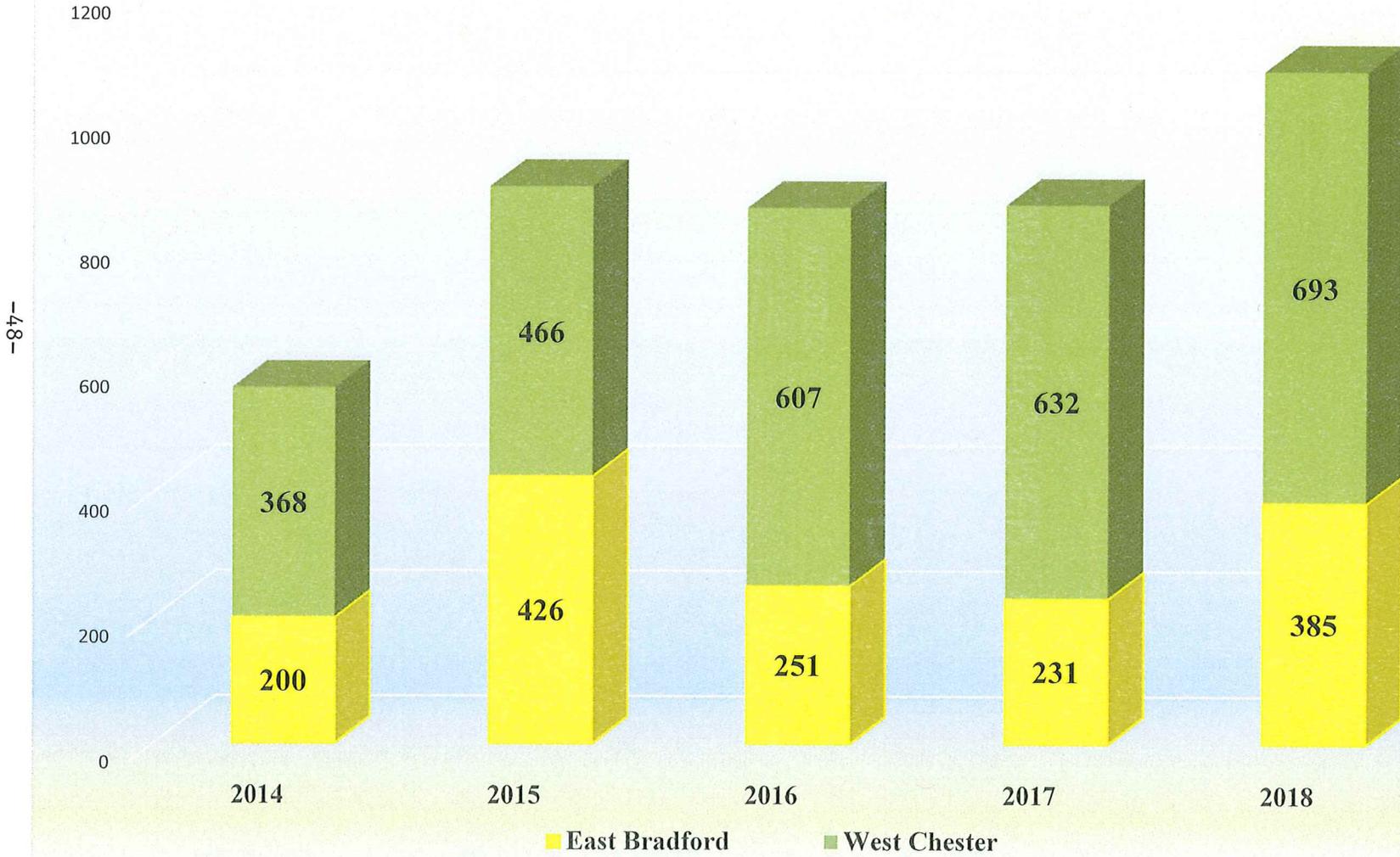


West Chester Police Department East Bradford Township Traffic Citations



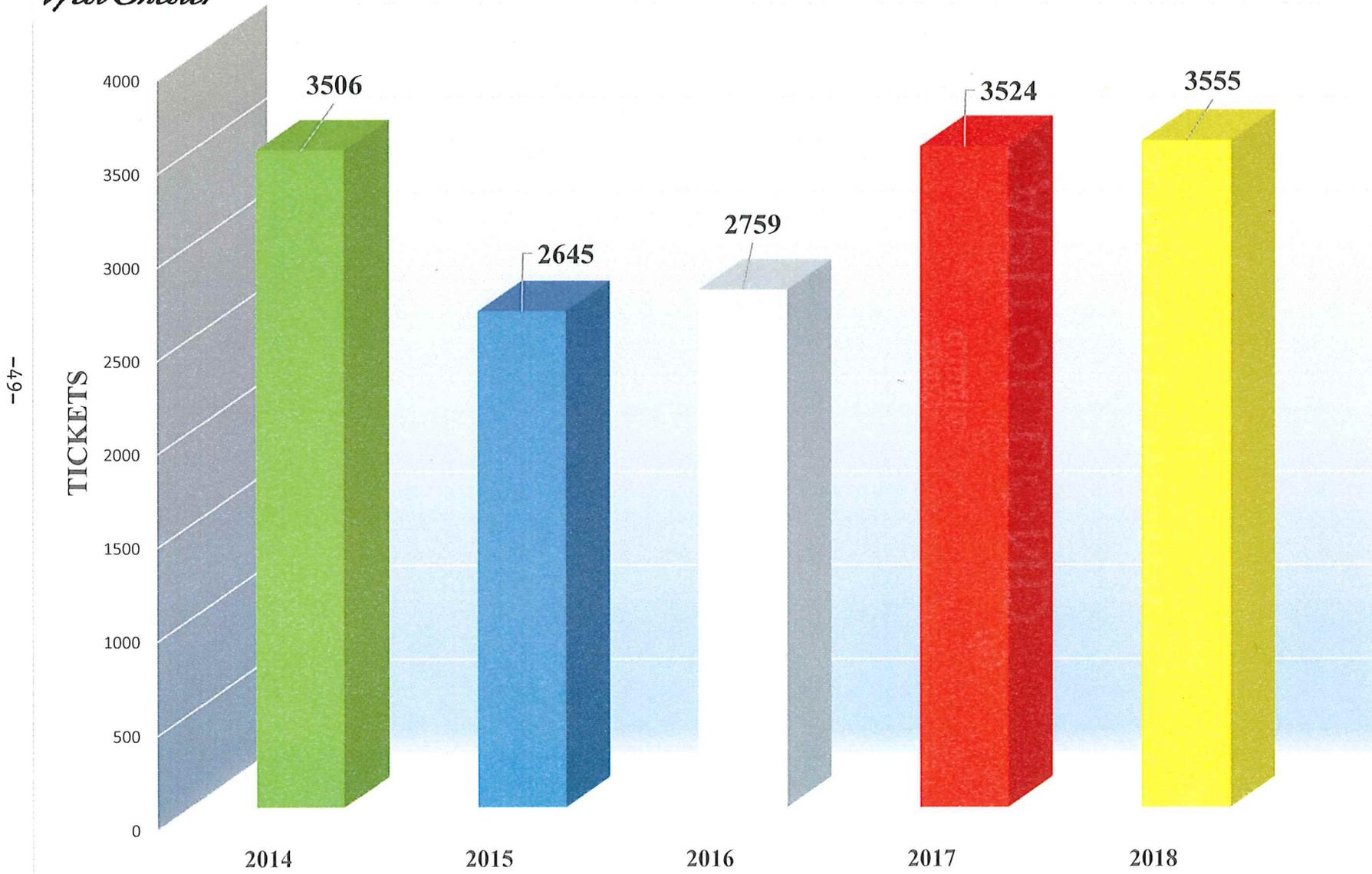


WEST CHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT Traffic Details West Chester - East Bradford Combined Totals





West Chester Police Department Parking Enforcement





NON-TRAFFIC CITATIONS

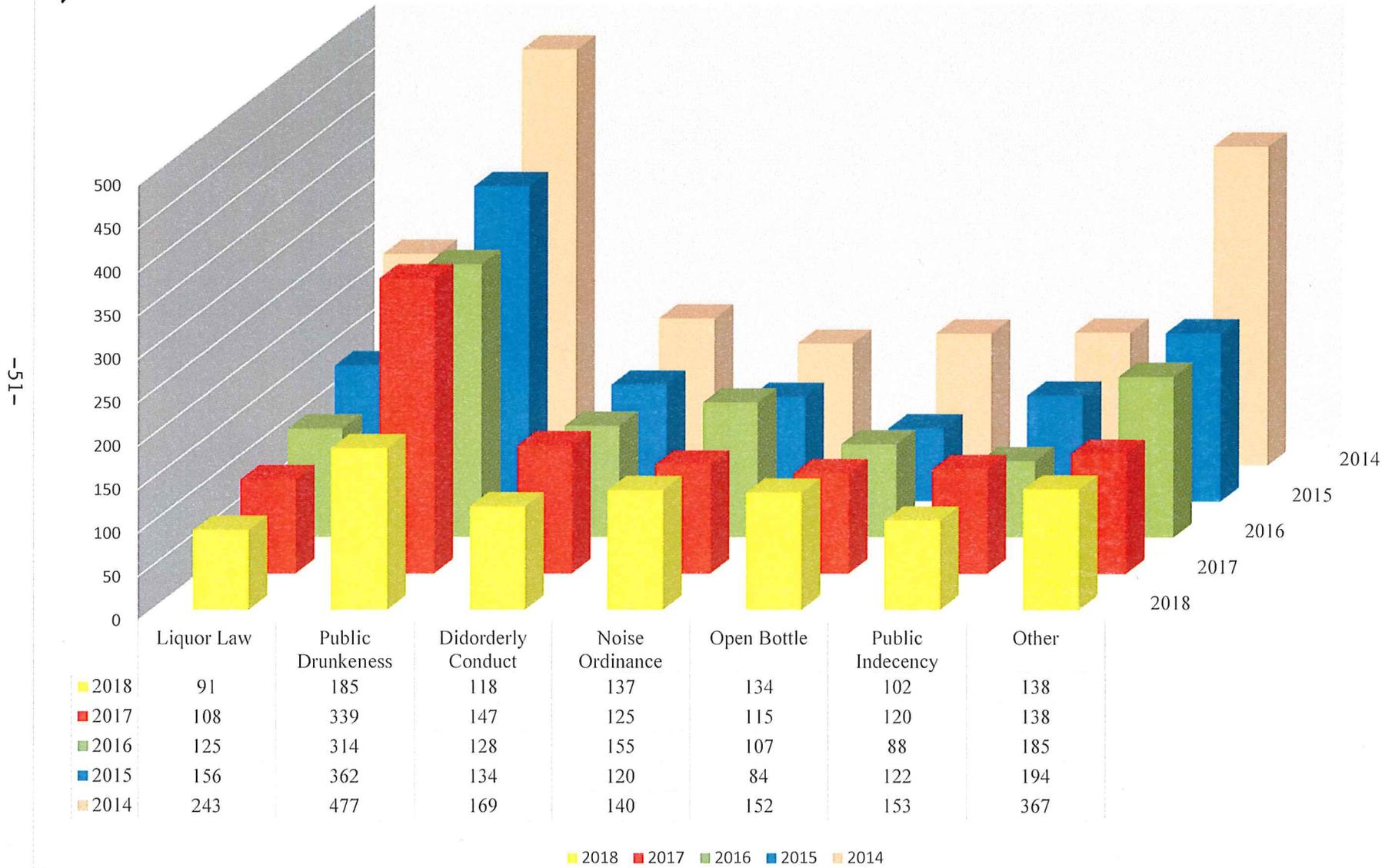


“Non-Traffic Citation” is the official name in Pennsylvania for the issuance of a criminal summons for the violation of a summary criminal offense, the lowest grade of all criminal offenses in the Commonwealth. More specifically, it is similar to a traffic ticket in that a Police Officer may stop an individual and issue a summons on a minor criminal offense, such as a quality of life violation, or mail the summons to the offender’s residence at a later date.

During 2018, the West Chester Police Department issued nine hundred and five (905) such criminal summonses for minor quality of life violations, such as Disorderly Conduct and similar offenses. This represents a 17% decrease in the issuance of summons from 2016. During the calendar year 2017 the Department documented a 15% decrease in arrests for Liquor Law violations, an 83% decrease in Public Drunkenness arrests, a 25% decrease in Disorderly Conduct arrests, a 9% increase in Open Container arrests and a 17% increase in Noise Ordinance violations. In 2018, the Department documented a 15% decrease in Public Indecency arrests. All “other” non-traffic arrests remained the same.

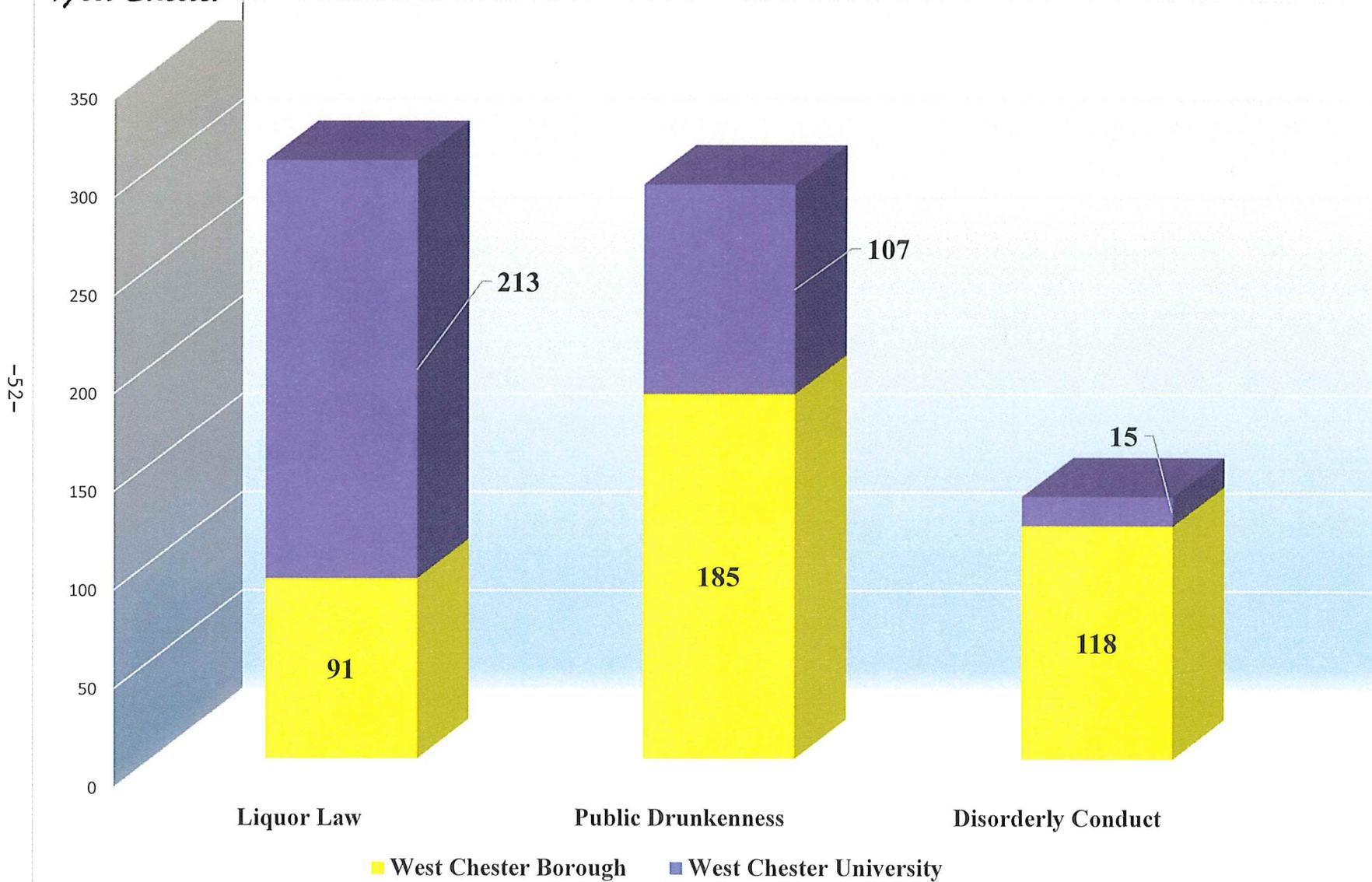


WEST CHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT Criminal Citations





WEST CHESTER - WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY CRIMINAL CITATIONS





West Chester Police Department

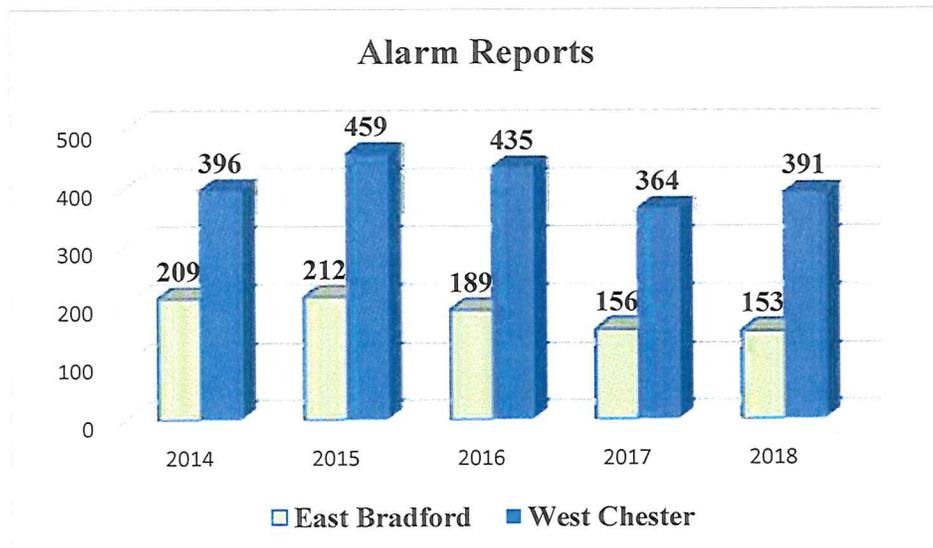
UNIT REPORTS 2018

Alarm Enforcement Management

Alarm Enforcement – Citation Issuance

In 2018, no citations for alarm ordinance violations were issued. In addition to burglar alarm fines, we also assisted the Building and Housing Department with the issuance of non-traffic citations for fire alarm violations. In 2018, no such citations were issued.

Alarm Report



POLICE COMMUNICATIONS

Mission

The mission of the West Chester Communication Center is to provide the highest level of public safety communication service for the protection of the public. The Communication Unit ensured fair, impartial and courteous treatment toward its employees, citizens, public safety agencies and personnel. The Unit accepts that customer service is essential to our success. They treat each caller with empathy and respect. They maintained the professionalism mandated by the West Chester Police Department Code of Ethics.

Police Communications Staffing

In 2018, the Communication Unit was staffed by a Chief Communications Officer, six (6) full-time Communication Officers and four (4) Per-Diem Communication Officers. Four (4) communication officers are assigned to police squads, two (2) communications are assigned rotating shifts to supplement time-off duty assignments and to assist the communication officers assigned to permanent squads.

A master schedule was created to have four (4) communication officers rotating with police squads and two (2) communications officers rotating with two (2) squads. The per-diem Communication Officers filled shifts on a voluntary basis not covered by a full-time communications officer.

Communication Overview

In January of 2018 the Communication Division was moved to operate at the West Goshen Police Department facility for the renovation project at the West Chester Borough facility. This project was complex. The Department needed to stay “live” during the process. The local network, phone lines, communications, document management and NCIC; along with other operational functions were transferred. The project was completed with minimal impact to operations. We received tremendous support from our partners:

- West Chester Information Technology Department
- Metropolitan Communications
- Harris Radio Systems
- Pennsylvania State Police
- Verizon

- Chester County Emergency Services
- West Goshen Police Department

Given the change of location and operations phone call totals and assistance at the walk-up window could not be calculated. Our communications staff continued to answer calls ranging from both emergencies and non-emergencies from residence, business owners and visitors to our community. Our communications staff entered 32,779 calls for service into the police department's records management system.

Communication Division Quality Assurance

Weekly *Quality Assurance* (QA) reports are conducted on each communications officer by the chief communication officer. The reports audits call talking skills, interviewing skills, radio (dispatching) skills and data entry skills. The QA System issues a performance-based score for each communications employee. If a score is below 80%, the Chief Communication Officer remediates the issue.

With the relocation of communication services in 2018 a full Quality assurance report could not be performed as in prior years. The chief communications officer reviewed phone calls with the assistance of West Goshen Police Departments administrative staff. Records Management entries were reviewed, and corrections made.

In 2019 the Quality Assurance Reports for communications officers will be conducted at the Borough facility.

NCIC

In 2018 four (4) police officers were trained and recertified. In 2019 the remainder of communications personnel and police officers will be re-certified.

The Pennsylvania State Police requires all entries into the NCIC System to be validated on a monthly basis. In 2018 the Chief Communication Officer and his staff validated over 450 entries in the system. These entries included wanted subjects, stolen vehicles, and stolen guns.

In 2018 there was not an annual audit conducted by the Pennsylvania State Police. The next audit will be conducted in 2019.

In 2017 the Pennsylvania State Police conducted its by-annual audit at the West Chester Police Department. The State Police conduct these audits in every department in the Commonwealth who has physical CLEAN/NCIC computers at their police stations. The audit consists of checking each entry and cancelation of wanted persons, stolen items, stolen vehicles, etc. that are in the system. The audit also checks to be sure the department is following all security protocols set forth by state and federal Guidelines. The West Chester Police Department was issued a "Pass" for its 2017 Audit.

Child Safety Seat Program

The program is designed to assist the public in proper car seat installation for the safety of the child - from new born to toddler. Our technicians review each car seat with the owner to be certain they are familiar with the operation of the seat, safety rules, placement of the seat in the vehicle, placement of the child in the seat, and registration of the seat. The technicians also review vehicle safety such as airbags and use of seat belts for all passengers.

The program is free to the public. *In 2018, 45 Child Safety Seats have been inspected and or installed by our technicians.*

WCPD Radio System/Harris System

In 2017 the West Chester Police Department continued work with Harris Corporation to build onto the Chester County Radio System.

In 2018 the Department and Harris Corporation located sites for antennas to provide maximum coverage to our service area. Harris identified and installed equipment at four (4) locations:

- West Chester Borough Building.
- Chester County Justice Center
- Chester County Government Services Building
- Crown Castle Site in West Bradford Township.

Coverage testing was conducted at street level and in buildings located in West Chester Borough and East Bradford Township.

Mobile Radios were installed in police vehicles and each officer was assigned a new 800 MHz portable radio. Training was completed on all radio equipment for officers and communications personnel. The West Chester Police Department now operates off four (4) talk groups assigned to the West Chester Police Department with access to other emergency talk groups on the system.

Night Out Against Crime Event

The West Chester Police Department Night Out Against Crime Event was held on Wednesday, August 7, 2018. This year's event was held at Henderson High School (construction at the West Chester Borough Building).

The event is nationally celebrated each year on the first Wednesday in August throughout the United States by local law enforcement departments. The event is held to bring the community and law enforcement together for open discussion. This year the West Chester Police Department was joined by many of our surrounding police agencies, the West Chester Fire Department, Good Fellowship Ambulance, The Philadelphia Aviation Division (Helicopter) and numerous sponsors. The event had activities for children such as moon bounces, fingerprinting and games.

The event is solely funded by local sponsors. West Chester Police officers, staff, Borough staff, and their family's volunteer to assist the night of the event. The 2018 event was a huge success. We have begun planning for 2019.

Mobile Communications

West Chester Borough is the host to many special events. Our communication staff provides communication at these events to assist patrol officers and to relieve volume to our communication personnel working at the communications center. The staff utilizes the West Chester Emergency Response Team's Command vehicle which is equipped, on a smaller scale, with the same equipment as the West Chester communications center.

Events 2018:

- Iron Hill Twilight Criterium Bike Race

- West Chester Restaurant Festival
- West Chester Super Sunday
- West Chester Halloween Parade
- West Chester Christmas Parade

Emergency Operation Center

For the West Chester University Homecoming Event, the training room at the West Goshen Police Department was converted into an Emergency Operations Center. (West Goshen Police Department - Borough building construction). With the assistance of the Information Technology Department, the room was temporarily equipped with the following:

- Seven Computers
- Phone access via SKYPE
- Radio Communication
 - WCPD
 - West Goshen Police
 - WCUPD
 - State Police
 - Good Fellowship Ambulance/Chester County Hospital Medics
 - West Chester Fire Department
 - West Chester Public Works Department.
- Access to Mobile Camera's at High and Market Street
 - Septa provided cameras to view intersection.
- Access to ALERT for call documentation.
- Mobile Radios and Charging Stations
- Tables for Administration for all involved agencies.

Placing this room in-service as an Emergency Operations Center was a test, which was very successful. The plan is to set up this operation not only to assist with Homecoming, but any large event where the Borough and its Citizens would be impacted.

Communications – Renovation

Planning for the renovated communication room area began the moment we moved out of the Borough facility in December 2017. Re-building an emergency police communications center is no easy task as it requires many moving parts that must meet national certification levels. Countless hours were spent planning and executing to be certain the department had the most updated technology that was certified in emergency services.

With the assistance of police staff, communications staff, the West Chester Information Technology Department and many other partners, we were able to achieve the best possible equipment and solutions to assist our police department and community.

We are grateful to the West Goshen Police Department for permitting us to use their dispatch center as a home for WCPD Communications during this project.

During the end of 2017 and in 2018, the department searched for companies to provide new dispatch consoles for the radio room. Staff visited a significant number of communications centers throughout southeast Pennsylvania and Delaware State to compare their console equipment and functionality. XYBIX Corporation of Littleton Colorado was selected and communications room furniture was installed in October of 2018.

Phone companies were evaluated for installation of an emergency NC911 certified phone system. In September 2018, Frontier Communications was contracted to install a Motorola Vesta Phone System. Equipment installation began in December of 2018. The project will be completed in early January of 2019.

Communications staff has worked closely with the technical division of the Chester County Emergency Services to re-install our Computer Aided Dispatch in the Communications Room. The staff has also worked with the Pennsylvania State Police to reconnect services through the Pennsylvania State Police.

In addition to monitoring the West Chester Borough Building and cell holding area, our staff will have displays to monitor the Chestnut Street and Bicentennial Parking Garages, the Central Business District Street cameras (current project) and the Apartments for Modern Living.

CRIMINAL DIVISION

In 2018 the West Chester Criminal Division was staffed and divided into three sections: Major Crimes, Vice and Juvenile. The Criminal Division is currently staffed with a Sergeant, Corporal, two criminal Detectives, a Juvenile Detective and a Vice Detective. The Sergeant, Corporal and the two criminal detectives investigate all major crimes. The Vice Detectives primarily investigate narcotics, organized crime and prostitution. The one Juvenile Detective is assigned to crimes involving juveniles as victims and offenders in assault, child molestation, child pornography, missing and runaway child cases.

In March of 2018 the current Detective Sergeant joined the Criminal Division. The Vice Unit remains a one-person unit for now due to man power issues on patrol.

Both the Sergeant and Corporal are responsible for packaging, storage, testing, documentation and disposal of evidence. During 2018 a total of 1,271 pieces of evidence were submitted into evidence and a total of 1,032 pieces of evidence were disposed of. During 2018, evidence from 149 cases was submitted to the PSP Harrisburg Crime Lab for analysis. Evidence from 16 cases was submitted to a private laboratory company, National Medical Services, for analysis. It should be noted that the PSP Lima Lab continues to be shut down for renovations and all evidence is now transported to PSP Harrisburg Lab on a weekly basis.

The West Chester Criminal Division, in 2018, seized a total of \$7,385.00, one vehicle and four computers.

From January 1st to December 13th, 2018, the evidence was temporarily stored in the secured evidence room at 829 Paoli Pike, Spellman Building. Once renovations were complete at 401 E. Gay St. the evidence was moved back to its permanent room. During this time, a complete audit of all evidence was taking place, this will continue through 2019.

In 2018 the Criminal Division investigated two (2) homicides. One which took place in the Borough and the other was a body found in East Bradford Township, which came in as a DOA and ruled a homicide. Two (2) people were arrested for the murder which occurred in the Borough. The Township homicide is believed to have occurred outside of our jurisdiction with the body being abandoned in East Bradford. This investigation is on-going. Both these investigations have been extensive and required cooperation with multiple outside agencies.

In 2018 the Criminal Division investigated fourteen (14) suspicious deaths, also known as DOA. Seven (7) of these deaths were direct results from illegal drug use. Five (5) were due to heroin overdoses and two (2) were

a result of a mixture of drugs in the decedent. One (1) of the deaths was ruled a homicide, as stated above. The other six (6) were deemed natural or health related problems by the toxicology reports.

The Criminal Division participated in approximately 370 incidents. The involvements included assisting patrol with evidence collection, processing of evidence, interviews, photographing/processing evidence, collection of DNA and trace evidence, discovery collection, suspect processing, warrant service and specific case investigations. The Criminal Division made a total of 60 arrests in 2018 and participated in at least 57 additional arrests.

Of the cases the Criminal Division investigated, Robberies and Sex offenses were down significantly. The number of Assault and Theft investigations increased. In a significant number of crimes alcohol remains a main victim characteristic and often times the witnesses. This presents issues in not only the investigation but also with witness credibility. The disposition in many cases has ended with the victims refusing to cooperate any longer or the prosecution of the matter is declined.

SUMMARY OF MAJOR CASE INVESTIGATIONS

(EXCLUDING JUVENILE UNIT AND DRUG UNIT)

<u>Crime Type</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Offenders Arrested</u>
Homicide	2	2
Robbery	8	5
Rape	7	3
Sex Offenses	20	3
Assaults	42	14
Burglary	27	8
Theft/Fraud	39	15

SUMMARY OF JUVENILE INVESTIGATIONS

Crimes Investigated

Offenders Arrested

SUMMARY OF JUVENILE INVESTIGATIONS

Crimes Investigated

145

Offenders Arrested

50

DRUG UNIT INVESTIGATIONS

Drug Cases Investigated/ Assisted

94

Offenders Arrested

10 (Borough cases)

It is worth noting that in many of the cases the criminal division investigated are still open/ongoing. A significant number of arrests were made by patrol officers.

2018 CASE INVESTIGATION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Delivery of Controlled Substance Resulting in Death:** In December 2017 detectives investigated a death from an overdose of heroin. Due to the investigation a suspect was identified and interviewed. The suspect did admit to delivering the heroin which resulted in the death of another person.
- **Theft:** In January 2018 Detectives were investigating several thefts from the YMCA men's locker room. A suspect was identified. Detectives placed items in one of the lockers when they knew the suspect was on location. After the suspect left the YMCA detectives checked and saw that the items were gone. The suspect was located and identified. On his person were the items the detectives left in the locker. The suspect did admit to the other thefts from the YMCA.
- **DOA/Homicide:** In February 2018 a body was found in East Bradford Township with a gunshot to the head. Detectives were able to identify a person of interest early in the investigation. Numerous people have been interviewed and the suspect has been located in Florida. This case is open and ongoing.

Detectives are currently awaiting approval from the District Attorney to convene a Grand Jury to move this investigation forward.

- **Theft:** In February 2018 a resident of the Borough reported a very expensive bicycle was stolen. The investigation revealed that the bike was posted on Craig's List for sale. Detectives made contact with the suspected seller and set up a time to meet to purchase the bike. The seller met with the undercover detective and was arrested. The bike was returned to the Borough resident.

- **Murder:** In April 2018 detectives investigated the murder of Eric Brown. Timothy Jacobs and his brother Tyrell Jacobs were identified as the actors involved in the shooting death of Brown. The investigation revealed a motive for the murder. Both Jacob brothers were arrested in Philadelphia by members of the U.S. Marshalls. The Jacob brothers were both brought back to West Chester to face First Degree Murder charges and related. Trial pending.

- **Aggravated Assault:** In May 2018 detectives investigated an assault that took place outside of Landmark Restaurant. This incident received a great deal of media attention. Our department closed the investigation making several arrests. The victim did receive a concussion and a broken jaw. All suspects were identified, interviewed and subsequently arrested.

- **Robbery:** In May 2018 a local pizza delivery person was robbed of his money while attempting to make a delivery in the 100 block of E. Market St. Detectives investigated and were able to obtain video footage of the robbery. With the help of the community the suspect was identified and arrested. The suspect did identify himself in the video as the person robbing the delivery person.

- **Theft:** In July 2018 detectives investigated an Elder Abuse and Financial Exploitation case which occurred in the Township. The investigation discovered over \$100,000 being spent from an elderly woman's account. Also, the woman suffered from Stage Four "Bed Sores" which required emergency surgery. This all occurred while in the care of her daughter who is also her Power of Attorney. The

elderly woman has Parkinson's Disease and dementia. As result of the theft of her money the elderly woman is now in the care of the state. The daughter was arrested on the theft charges. Due to the timing of the Elder Abuse being signed into law those charges could not be filed.

- **Burglary:** In July 2018 detectives assisted patrol in the investigation and subsequent arrest of a man who broke into a home in the Borough and assaulted a woman who was inside. The woman suffered several injuries before the man was able to get away. The suspect was identified, located and arrested with the help from the victim.

- **Robbery:** In August 2018 detectives investigated a robbery at a local business in the 50 block of E. Market St. Detectives obtained a still photo from the video and showed to the neighboring businesses. The suspect was identified by his employer and was arrested. The suspect did confess to the robbery.

- **Burglary:** In September of 2018 detectives investigated a burglary which occurred in the Township. Cash and a gun were taken from the residence. After reviewing the home surveillance cameras still shots were made of the motorcycle used in the burglary along with the person riding the bike, who never removed his helmet. These still shots were distributed to the surrounding neighbors. A neighbor recognized the motorcycle when it came back into the area. Detectives located the bike and a suspect. After several interviews with the suspect he did admit that it was him on the bike and the person who walked up to the door of the house. This suspect was arrested for burglary.

- **Aggravated Assault:** In October 2018 detectives assisted patrol with a reported suspicious incident. The early investigation revealed that the victim was tasered by an unknown man while his back was turned at a residence. Detectives were able to identify the unknown man as a member of the Pegan outlaw motorcycle gang, which led to a multi-jurisdictional investigation. Detectives charged this man with Aggravated Assault. Montgomery County law enforcement arrested this person on our warrant which has led to the seizing of over 57 firearms and the retrieval of the suspected taser. This investigation is ongoing.

- In November 2018 the Criminal Division went to trial on a rape case that occurred in 2016. After over a year of investigation and delays by the defense, a guilty verdict was reached by the jury.

JUVENILE DETECTIVE REPORT

A Detective is currently assigned to juvenile cases in the Borough of West Chester and East Bradford Township. The Detective meets daily with other law enforcement officials and Chester County's Safe Schools Planning Coordinator, to discuss school safety. This Detective also meets with West Chester Area School District staff and school administrators.

The Detective handles child abuse cases and missing juvenile cases that are referred to this department. The Detective is the liaison with Juvenile Probation, Children, Youth and Families, the District Attorney's Child Abuse Unit, private, public and charter schools in the Borough of West Chester and East Bradford Township. The Juvenile Detective also assists in all major cases.

Juvenile Arrests

West Chester Police Officers filed 10 allegation forms for juveniles in the year 2018. The Juvenile Detective filed 4 of the 10.

The Juvenile Detective received 47 DPW-47 and 23 CY-104 reports in 2018.

The following is a breakdown of the charges on the Juvenile Allegations filed by WCPD, both misdemeanors and felonies.

- Possession of Marijuana – 1
- Possession with the Intent to Deliver – 1
- Possession of a Controlled Substance – 2
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – 3

- Delivery of a Non-Controlled Substance Upon Representation of a Controlled Substance – 1
- Criminal Use of Communication Facility – 1
- Dealing in Proceeds of Unlawful Activities – 1
- Criminal Conspiracy to Deliver a Controlled Substance – 1
- Theft by Unlawful Taking – 3
- Receiving Stolen Property – 3
- Possession of a Weapon on School Property – 1
- Loitering and Prowling at Night – 1
- Criminal Trespass - 1

NARCOTICS UNIT

The West Chester Drug Unit in 2018 was staffed with one. The detective is responsible for understanding the drug trade and tendencies in our local area. The detective often works in conjunction with the Chester County Detectives Drug Unit and the Municipal Drug Task Force to further his investigations and to also assist in their investigations. The Drug Unit also assists in all major investigations the Criminal Division handles.

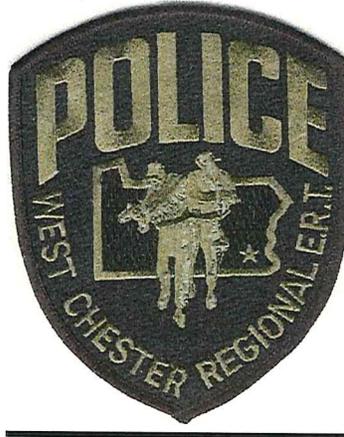
SUMMARY AND TRENDS

The West Chester Police Criminal Unit continues to work jointly with the patrol division with case referrals and assisting patrol with their respective investigations and information sharing. The utilization of video surveillance in the Central Business District and other residential areas of West Chester has helped detectives with documenting incidents and helping identify those involved. West Chester Detectives continue to work hand in hand with various businesses and property owners stressing the importance of video surveillance on their properties.

The Criminal Division continues to work with the Chester County Crime Victims Unit and victims of crime. Their assistance supports various investigations with the criminal justice process and communications between investigators and victims. Often victims of sexual assault cases want to report the incident but do not wish to pursue criminal charges. Often a victim is unable to recall facts of the incident. Crime Victims helps bridge the gap victims have with their personal health and communicating with police investigators.

The Criminal Division continues to utilize the internet and social media accounts; monitoring criminal activity and trends which has led to the clearance of crimes.

ERT



The objective of the West Chester Regional Emergency Response Team (ERT), and its primary responsibility, is to provide and maintain a specially trained unit to resolve those incidents generally beyond the normal scope of regular patrol personnel and equipment.

Personnel:

In 2018, the West Chester Regional ERT was comprised of thirty-two (32) well-trained Police Officers from seven (7) separate jurisdictions: West Chester (7), West Goshen (8), Westtown-East Goshen (6), Uwchlan (1), West Whiteland (3), Willistown (4), West Chester University (3) and a seven (7) member Board of Chiefs. The compliment of officers includes eight (8) highly trained negotiators, four (4) highly trained snipers, and two (2) law enforcement technicians.



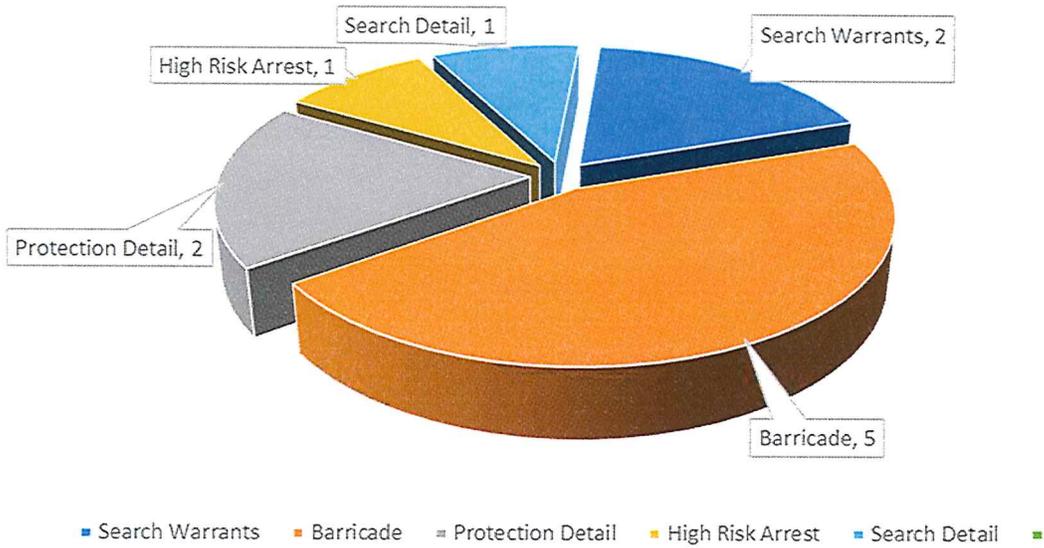
Calls for Service:

The West Chester Regional ERT was activated and responded to eleven (11) incidents in the calendar year 2018. Each call for service and/or operation was successful in its planning, implementation and execution. Each resulted in a successful outcome.

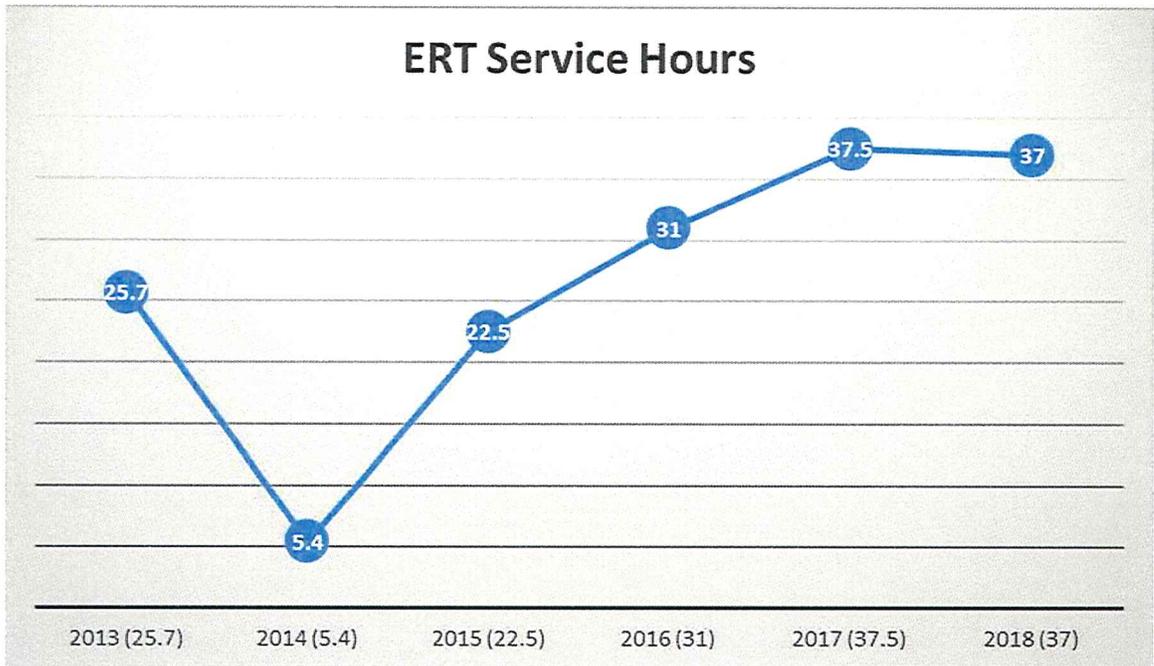
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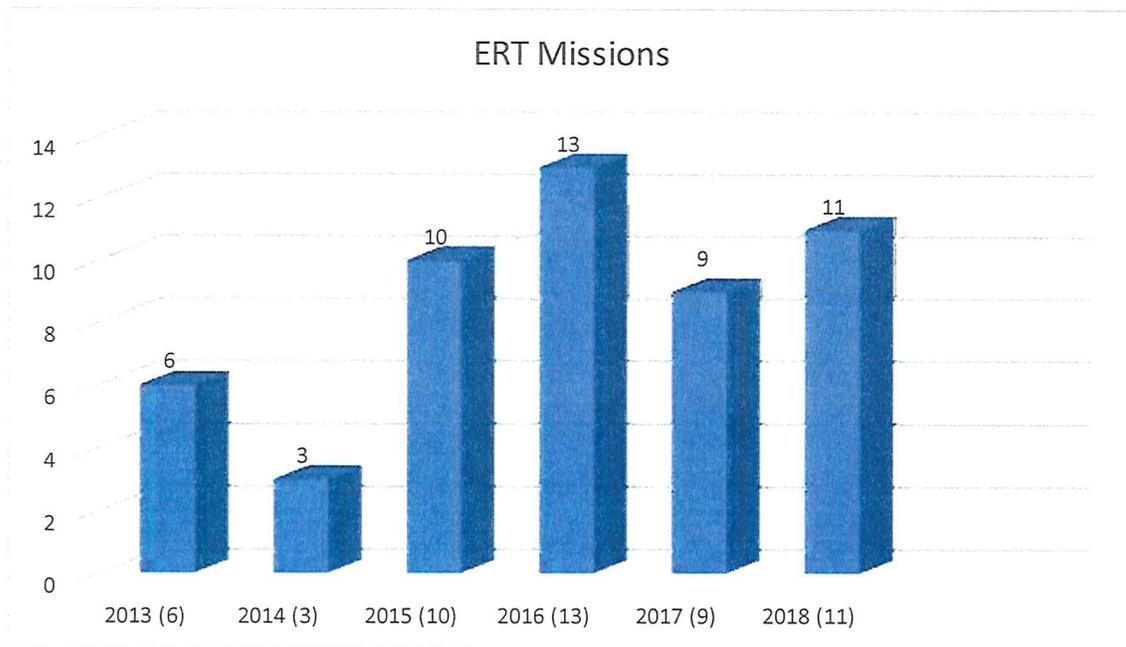
<u>DATE</u>	<u>E.R.T. #</u>	<u>TYPE OF SERVICE</u>	<u>ROST. AGENCY</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
2/24/2018	2018-01	Search Warrant	W. Whiteland P.D.	813 Reading Ct.
3/13/2018	2018-02	Barricaded Person	WEGO P.D.	3023 Valley Dr.
4/26/2018	2018-03	Barricaded Person	W. Whiteland P.D.	1003 Roundhouse Ct.
5/9/2018	2018-04	Search Warrant	West Chester P.D.	338 E. Miner St.
5/11/2018	2018-05	High Risk Arrest	W. Whiteland P.D.	Moving Motor Vehicle
5/12/2018	2018-06	Protection Detail #1	W. Chester University	Ferrell Stadium
5/12/2018	2018-07	Protection Detail #2	W. Chester University	Ferrell Stadium
5/15/2018	2018-08	Search Detail	E. Whiteland P.D.	9 Old Lancaster Ave.
5/28/2018	2018-09	Barricaded Person	W. Whiteland P.D.	490 Orchard Circle
9/18/2018	2018-10	Barricaded Person	W. Chester P.D.	643 E. Union St.
12/26/2018	2018-11	Barricaded Person	W. Vincent P.D.	Ashers Ct.

ERT Incident Types 2018



ERT Service Hours





Special Details:

Team members participated in school career days, township community days, training center mock scenarios, National Night Out, and crime prevention events. Nine (9) details were attended in 2018

RECORDS UNIT

The West Chester Police Department Records Unit was staffed with two (2) full-time records clerks in December of 2018. The clerks continue to be trained in the daily operations and regulatory responsibilities of the West Chester Police Department, the Borough, State, and Federal governments.

Activity

- The West Chester Police Department Records Unit handled over thirteen thousand (13,000) documented incidents. This documentation includes the handling and filing of lab reports, evidence reports, prisoner logs, Right-to-Know requests and various other reports. Each clerk is tasked to review

the information submitted and to submit any incorrect information to the Administrative Lieutenant for review/correction. The unit works directly with the District Attorney's Office, military services, insurance companies, public and private investigators/citizens and housing authorities. These contacts are in compliance with the Attorney General's Municipal Records and Retention Act and the State mandated Right-to-Know Law.

- The unit expunged seventy-seven (77) criminal history files (court ordered).
- In 2018 the unit collected \$9,001.50 dollars in fees for reports during the year of 2018. The Department processed four hundred-forty (440) RTK requests. All requests were submitted to the Administrative Lieutenant for approval.
- The unit assisted the Chester County District Attorney's office by faxing and submitting vital information on court cases. The unit processed approximately two hundred thirty (230) file requests by their office. The unit assisted the Chester County Sheriff Department with eighty-five (85) background gun check requests.
- The West Chester Police Department Records Unit continues to separately document and collate use of force incidents, prisoner logs and arrests, and they prepare a monthly Quality of Life report all for administrative review.
- The West Chester Police Department Records Unit processed five hundred ten (510) background investigations for federal, state, local authorities, the federal government, the United States Military, and civilian investigators assigned by the government to complete background checks.
- The unit provides information to the Borough Housing Division on all criminal activity/dispositions (Borough Rental Ordinance) received from the Court of Common Pleas. The information is shared with the Housing Department.
- The unit disposed of recorded documents in compliance of Attorney General's Municipal Records and Retention Act.

Records Unit 2018 Goals

- A monthly performance review will be continued to determine how effective the Records Unit is functioning regarding to mandated state, federal, and local laws. The Unit will continue to train and

evaluate the records clerks to make sure they're adequately trained in the state, federal, and local laws and seek a training class in the federal UCR standards.

- Unit audit reports on a monthly basis to identify outstanding reports. The unit will also complete a monthly audit to determine problems associated with reports submitted to the unit for processing.
- Additional functions will be assigned to the Records Division after in-depth analysis of administrative duties are reviewed.
- Alarm registration and administration will be conducted from the records department.
- The West Chester Police Department Records Unit is a critical function in the Police Department. The responsibilities of the unit continue to evolve as they are required to assume more responsibilities based on the needs of the West Chester Police Department. The employees assigned will be continuously provided with training to enhance performance of their duties and responsibilities.

West Chester Police Department
 Fleet Management - General Statistics
 2018

	West Chester Borough	East Bradford Township		Vehicle Fleet
Population	*20,060	*9,996	Marked Cars	12
Area/Square Miles	1.8	15.37	Unmarked Cars	1
Total Highway Miles	33.82	75.15	Detectives	4
Municipal Highway Miles	28.46	56.72	Administrative	3
State Highway Miles	5.36	18.43	Special Purpose	2
			Total Vehicles	22

*Source: Municipal Administration(s)

FLEET MANAGEMENT

The 2018 West Chester Police Department Fleet Management Report contains a yearly summary and list of vehicles currently maintained by the department.

Vehicle	Year/Make	2018 Beginning Miles	2018 Ending Mileage	Purpose/Usage
01-26	2014 Ford	42,242	4,971	Patrol
01-14	2018 Ford	New	New	Patrol
01-15	2017 Ford	21,675	40,782	Patrol
01-16	2017 Ford	26,944	45,419	Patrol
01-17	2016 Ford	38,522	49,109	Patrol
01-18	2014 Ford	46,829	60,643	Patrol
01-19	2016 Ford	42,003	57,145	Patrol
01-20	2014 Ford	52,501	60,723	Patrol
01-21	2017 Ford	1,557	11,063	Patrol
01-22	2014 Ford	57,743	67,639	Patrol
01-23	2015 Ford	21,137	30,232	Patrol
01-24	2013 Ford	New	1,887	Patrol
01-25	2013 Ford	5,485	23,582	Patrol
01-A1	2018 Ford	New	2,149	Administration
01-A93	2013 Ford	51,323	67,729	Administration
01-A99	2015 Ford	34,639	47,291	Administration
01-D1	2012 Ford	-	67,345	Detectives
01-D2	2012 Ford	-	52,673	Detectives
01-D3	2009 Ford	92,775	99,489	Detectives
01-D4	2013 Ford	-	67,729	Detectives



PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENTS

The 2018 personnel allotment for the West Chester Police Department was fifty-five (55) individuals. Of those, forty-four (44) are sworn personnel (Police Officers) and eleven (11) are support staff (non-sworn personnel). With respect to the sworn personnel, seventy-seven percent (77%) are assigned to the patrol function to respond to calls-for-service. Of the remaining twenty-three percent (23%), sixteen percent (16%) are assigned to the criminal investigative function and conduct follow-up investigations for those assigned to the patrol function to allow additional time to perform proactive patrols. Seven (7%) are the administrative staff of the Police Department, including the Chief of Police and three (3) Lieutenants, all of whom will, from time to time, respond to calls-for-service and/or provide assistance to those assigned to the criminal and patrol functions. The following is a statistical analysis of personnel assignments in the Police Department:

<u>Function</u>	<u>% of Sworn Staff</u>	<u>% of All Staff</u>
Patrol	77%	61%
Criminal Investigation	16%	13%
Administration	7%	6%
Support Staff	N/A	20%

When reviewing personnel assignments and distribution within the West Chester Police Department, it is important to consider the information in context. Several officers missed a major and/or significant amount of duty-time due to injury, leave, training or retirement. In 2016 The West Chester Police Department operated with as many as eleven (11) officers absent from duty. In 2017 the Department was short the equivalent of approximately three (3) officers (manhours). The Department ended the calendar year 2018 three (3) officers below its full complement of sworn officers.



West Chester Police Department



2018 Personnel Assignments

TITLE	PERSONNEL
Administration	4
Chief of Police	1 (1)
Lieutenants	3 (2)
Patrol Division	34
Sergeants	5 (5)
Corporals	5 (5)
Patrolman	24 (22)
Detective Division	6
Sergeant	1 (1)
Corporal	1 (1)
Detectives	2 (2)
Narcotics Investigators	1 (1)
Juvenile Officer	1 (1)
Support Staff	11
Civilian Dispatchers	7 (7)
Civilian Records Clerks	2 (2)
Civilian Administrative Assistants	2 (2)





West Chester Police Department



RETIREMENTS

The following Officers are to be recognized for their many years of service to the citizens West Chester.

	Years of Service	Years Served
Lt. Samuel Iacono	32 Years	09/07/2018

NEW OFFICERS

The following officers are welcomed as newly hired police officers in our community.

Andrew Hill	02/21/2018
Micaela Winter	06/20/2018



Perfect Attendance

The following Officers are to be congratulated:

Barnes, David
Bergey, Brad
Billie, Stanley
Bohn, Scott
Deighan, Martin
DiNunzio, Gerald
Ditz, Jeffrey
Ferriola, Jerry
Frantz, David
Hill, Andrew
Lee, Joshua
McGeehan, Brendon
McIntyre, Carl
O'Hare, John
O'Neill, Jason
Francart, Jason
Simcox, Matthew
Winters, Micaela
Zeiders, Adrianna

The following civilian employees are to be congratulated:

Cook, Chad	King, Staci
Groff, Michael	March, David
Jones, Christopher	Matthews, Lindsay