DeWitt Police Department



2017

Annual Report

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The Town of DeWitt, New York
Government Leadership



Supervisor Edward Michalenko

Town Board Members:

Joseph Chiarenza
Karen Docter
Jamie Frank
Kerry Mannion
Kerin Rigney
Sam Young

The Town of DeWitt, New York
Government Leadership Continued

Police Commission

The Police Commission is comprised of a board of Police Commissioners who are appointed by the Town Board in accordance with Article 10, Section 150 of Town Law. The Commission has the authority to exercise all the powers relative to police matters conferred upon the Town Board pursuant to Article 10 of Town Law.

The Commission has three members who are elected officials to the Town Board, one serving as the Chair-person. The remaining Commissioners hold the status of ex-officio and are members of the DeWitt Community. A meeting is held each month in which the Chief of Police reports to the Commission on all matters pertaining to the management and operation of the Department.

2017 Police Commission

Kerin Rigney/Board member
Karen Docter/Board member
Sam Young/Board member
Tony Albanese
Bernard Alex
Shawnteica Carter
Susan Case DeMari
John Duncan
Laura Fiorenza
Charles Gabriel
Paul Gottfried
David Herkala
Harry Kiddney
Joseph Mehlek
David Newman
Armond Scipione
Parker Stone
Robert Tackman

DeWitt Police Department
Mission Statement

We, the members of the DeWitt Police Department, are dedicated to protect life and property, to work with our citizens to reduce crime, disorder, and the fear of crime. Through community oriented and problem oriented policing we will provide personalized police services with full respect for human dignity according to the highest standards of professionalism, integrity, and accountability.

Chief's Message:

On behalf of the members of the Town of DeWitt Police Department, I am pleased to present you with our annual report. We are a New York State and CALEA (Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies) Accredited Agency, continually striving to meet professionally recognized criteria for excellence in management and service delivery.

The members of DeWitt Police Department take great pride in providing you, our residents, with the highest level of police services possible. We are dedicated to making your community a safe place to live, work, and visit !

James C. Hildmann
Chief of Police



Overview and History of the Department

DeWitt Police Department
5400 Butternut Drive
East Syracuse, New York 13057

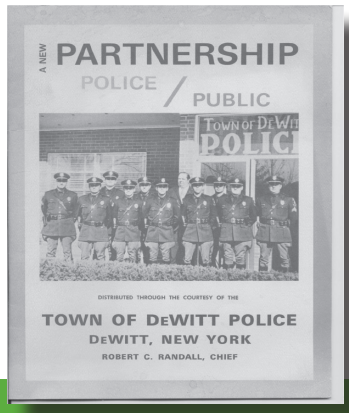
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The DeWitt Police Department is a New York State accredited, full-service police agency serving the Town of DeWitt, New York.

The Town of DeWitt is located in Central New York in eastern Onondaga County bordering the City of Syracuse. The Town consists of approximately 37 square miles of land and .05 square miles of water. DeWitt has a population of 28,000 permanent residents and a transient population of over 100,000. The community has over 30 hotels, 3 major highways, 11 schools, 1 college, major retail districts, industry, and a wide range of residential areas spread throughout the Town.



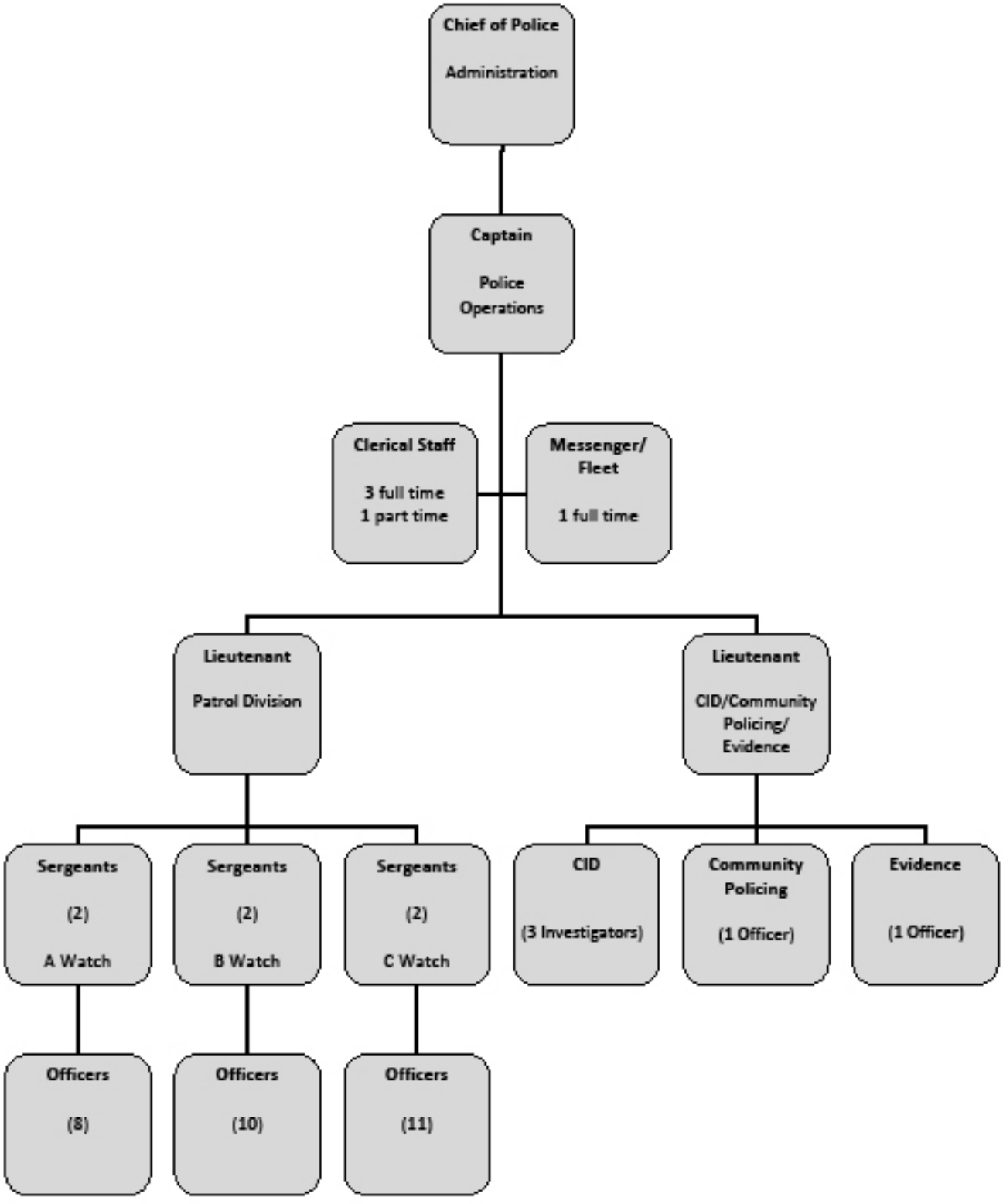
The DeWitt Police Department was founded in April of 1959 as the "Volunteer DeWitt Police Unit" which consisted of four, all volunteer special police officers. It wasn't until 1963 that the first full time paid employee was hired and the name was changed to the Town of DeWitt Police Department.





The Town of DeWitt Police Department provides full-time, professional law enforcement services to its residents and visitors. From a staffing of 4 volunteers in 1959, to an authorized staffing of 50 employees today; to include 44 sworn, 4 civilian staff, and 2 consultants. The Department is comprised of a Chief of Police, 1 Captain, 2 Lieutenants, 6 Sergeants, 3 Investigators, 1 Community Policing Officer, 1 Evidence Officer, and Patrol Officers on three shifts.
In 2017, DeWitt Police Department responded to 28,085 calls for service.

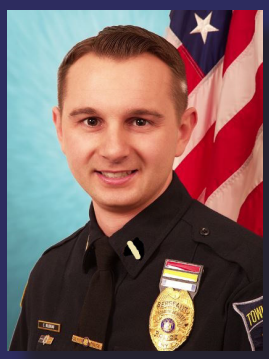
DeWitt Police Department Organizational Chart



Police Command Staff



Captain John J. Anton
Police Operations



Lieutenant Chase L. Bildodeau
Road Patrol Commander



Lieutenant Thomas A. Norton
CID Commander

2017 Department Personnel

Chief of Police
James Hildmann -Retired

Captain
John Anton

Lieutenants:
Thomas Norton - Retired
Chase Bilodeau
Chris Fuller

Sergeants:
Denis Mower
Michael Kurgan
Andrew Fusco
Brenton White
Jerry Pace
Jarod Petrie

Investigators:
Thomas Regan - Retired
Timothy Farley
Lucas Byron

Community Policing Officer:
Brittany Mangano

Evidence Officers:
Jeffrey Conrad

Clerical Staff:
Laura Pulaski
Alyssa Armstrong
James Emm
Nadine Zesky

Patrol Officers:
Peter Hooser
Patrick Tousley
Salvatore Stassi
Dana Vinch
Edward Mason
Jason Law
Donald Baumann
Jeffrey MacDonald
Dale Barhite
Joseph Senus
Glen Wintermute
Michael Ellis
Stacey Wickes
Lindsey Pienkowski
Irving Reynolds
Shane Spencer
Mark Stanard
Ludmila Ammann
Kevin Skibinski
Chad Frederick
Zachary Morgan
Shawn Chapa
Matthew Menard
Loriann Maerz
James Dean
Corby Reynolds
Corey Buyck
Alexander Fratini
James Toomey

Patrol Division

The DeWitt Police Patrol Division consists of one Lieutenant, six Sergeants and 30 patrol Officers. These officers are deployed throughout four patrol zones (North, Central, South, and Village of East Syracuse), 24 hours per day.

Officers assigned to the Patrol Division work one of three shifts:

- A Watch 11:00 pm - 7:00 am
- B Watch 7:00 am - 3:00 pm
- C Watch 3:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Twenty marked vehicles are assigned for use by the Patrol Division. Members of the Patrol Division duties include, but are not limited to:

- Response to calls for service
- Proactive police patrol & crime prevention
- Enforcement of appropriate Federal, State and Local Laws
- Crash investigation
- Reporting and preliminary investigation of criminal complaints
- Response to non-criminal complaints



Additionally, members of the Patrol Division are at the forefront of the community policing initiative. Patrol Officers are familiar with the individuals and businesses they serve.

The concept of Community Oriented Policing is at the core of DeWitt Police Department's mission. Our officers provide a wide range of services: Community Patrol Program, Crime Alert Program, Neighborhood Watch, community presentations, foot patrol, bicycle patrol, and motorcycle patrol.

These officers actively participate in many highway safety programs including Buckle Up New York and Stop DWI. Both programs focus on reducing injuries and eliminating fatalities on our roadways through aggressive enforcement activities.

In 2017, members of the Patrol Division issued 2,524 tickets.



Patrol Units drove a total of 333,397 miles in 2017.



Motorcycle Unit

The Motorcycle Unit consists of one Lieutenant, two officers and one Harley Davidson motorcycle. Officers assigned to the Motorcycle Unit handle all patrol functions as well as special events such as parades, community policing details, escorts and funeral details. The motorcycle is fully funded by our Stop DWI Program.

Bicycle Patrol

The DeWitt Police Department Bicycle Patrol Unit gives the Police Department more latitude in patrolling the various parts of the Town and to provide more options in keeping with our Community Policing Initiatives.

Throughout the late spring, summer and early fall, the bicycles were deployed to everyday patrol, directed patrol activity and to many community services events. The bicycles were a common sight at the Town of DeWitt's annual Canal Days event at Ryder Park.





Criminal Investigations Division



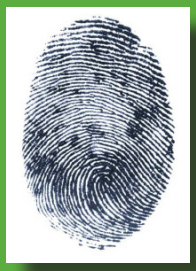
The Criminal Investigations Division is responsible for investigating felony crimes committed within the Town of DeWitt. To meet the needs and demands of investigating various crime types, the DeWitt Police Department Criminal Investigations Division has sub-specialties. In 2017, the Criminal Investigation Division received 245 cases.

Investigations Division

The Investigations Division is responsible for cases involving crimes against persons and property. This unit includes but is not limited to, assault, robbery, burglary, homicide, and other penal law statutes. The CID Unit is a specially trained group of individuals who conduct investigations into complex incidents. These cases usually require in-depth examinations in order to find motive cause that will lead to the arrest of the perpetrator.

Evidence/Property Unit

The Evidence Officer is responsible for many tasks such as crime scene processing, lab work, and property/evidence management. This officer is a certified Evidence Technician and has advanced training in the fields of forensics and crime scene analysis. The Evidence/Property Unit is also responsible for long term and short term storage of evidence.





2017 Items of Evidence Received
1,211

Community Policing

S.A.V.E.
DEWITT POLICE DEPT.



In the spring of 2009 the DeWitt Police Department in cooperation with the Town's school districts, came up with a new educational safety program to replace its current D.A.R.E. Program; which had been the primary youth program of the Department for the past twenty-one years.

The S.A.V.E. Program (Safety Awareness Violence Education), provides the children of our community with the skills needed to deal with the dangers of drug abuse, alcohol abuse, personal safety, peer pressure, internet & social media safety. It also provides them with guidance they need to make the right decisions for their health and future.



The Community Policing Officer of the DeWitt Police Department offers twenty four programs geared to the education, prevention, and intervention of the youth in the Town of DeWitt.

Our goal is to have Police Officers as positive role models; facilitating safety lessons to an age group span from Pre-K, all the way up to High School Levels. Police Officers see first hand, the dangers and consequences of making poor decisions involving drugs, alcohol, and other risky situations. Our hope is that Officers cannot only give a foundation for the kids to build on, but to create a relationship between the Police, Schools, Students and Parents.

Because of this combined effort, DeWitt Police Officers can make a difference in our ever changing society. Through education, prevention, and intervention we are able to watch these children grow, learn, and recognize the need to make the right decisions when faced with risky situations; and choose their friends wisely. It is the belief of our Police Department to facilitate, "Children learn what they live & they live what they learn".

Digital Child Fingerprinting

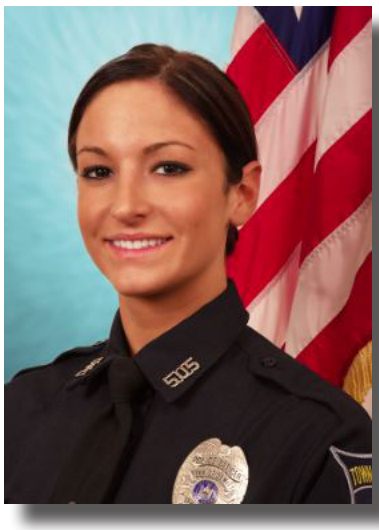


The DeWitt Police Department's Child ID Program records a digital image of a child's fingerprint, photograph, & personal information onto a plastic ID card. Since 2012, we ave printed 920 kids at 45 different youth events in the Town of DeWitt.

Community Policing Officer

On September 11, 2017 the DeWitt Police Department introduced a new community policing officer position. This position involves the following duties: Serve as the primary contact for all commnunity policing events and details. Plan, organize, schedule, and participate in community policing events and details. Facilitate the Department's social media - Facebook, Twitter, CAPS, Program, and website. Act as a department liaison with all schools and community groups within our jurisdiction. Teach school programs (K-12) SAVE (Safety Awareness & Violence Education), Bus Safety, Halloween Safety, Bullying, Officer Friendly, Career Day, and Internet Safety. Manage the ID card program-child, elderly, emergency management, and personnel. Provide information and interviews to local media outlets in regards to CPO duties. Conduct police department tours. Evaluate current COP programs and create new COP programs.





Community Policing Officer
Brittany Mangano



Accreditation

New York State Accreditation

The Administration of the Police Department is responsible for ensuring that all department policies and procedures are in compliance with the standards set by New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services. The accreditation program has long been recognized as a means of maintaining the highest standards of training and professionalism. The DeWitt Police Department was originally accredited by New York State in 1998 and reaccredited in 2003, 2008 and 2013. Our next reaccreditation for New York State will be in 2018.

CALEA Accreditation

The purpose of CALEA's Accreditation Programs is to improve the delivery of public safety services, primarily by: maintaining a body of standards, developed by public safety practitioners, covering a wide range of up-to-date public safety initiatives; establishing and administering an accreditation process; and recognizing professional excellence.

CALEA's goals are:

1. Strengthen crime prevention and control capabilities
2. Formalize essential management procedures
3. Establish fair and nondiscriminatory personnel practices
4. Improve service delivery
5. Solidify interagency cooperation and coordination
6. Increase community and staff confidence in the agency

On April 2, 2016 DeWitt Police Department was awarded the highest level of law enforcement accreditation, both nationally/internationally, through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). We are among only 7 law enforcement agencies out of 514 in New York State to achieve this status of excellence. The CALEA process consists of several years of self assessment, remote and on-site audits, as well as a final assessment/recommendation from the Executive Board.

Grant Funding

Grant Funding requires the preparing, budgeting, accounting and fiscal reporting related to grant awards. These awards are received from Local, State and Federal sources. Programs funded by grant monies include Stop DWI, Buckle Up New York, Selective Traffic Enforcement Program, Youth Grant, State Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention.

In 2017, the DeWitt Police Department utilized $5,000 from the BVP grant, $9,500 from Police Traffic Services, $8,899 from the State Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program, $8,156 DCJS Police Protective Equipment Program, and $2,500 from the Office of Children & Family Services Grant.

Training Unit

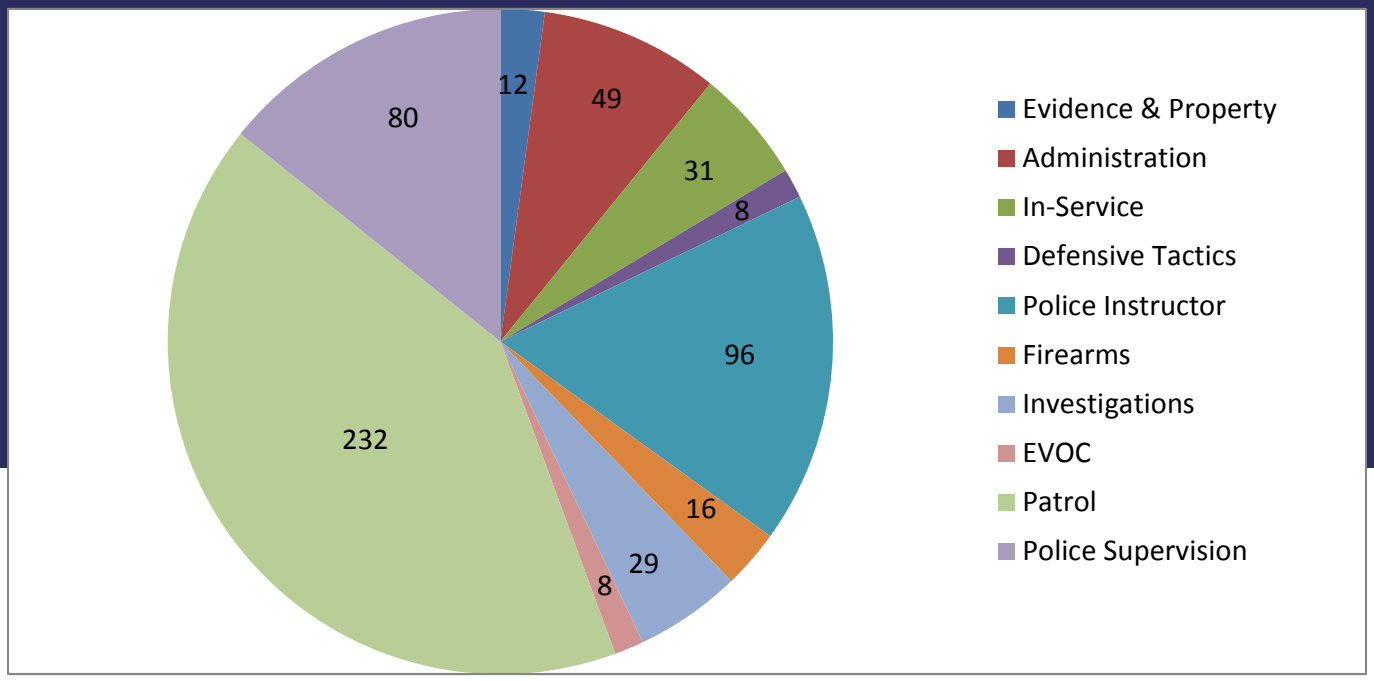
The Training Unit staff includes the Captain, two Lieutenants, six Sergeants, Investigator, and five Officers. This unit develops, implements and evaluates mandated in-service training as well as providing specialized training. In 2017 this unit conducted over 40 hours of in-service training, practical exercises and classroom instruction which all of our officers were required to attend. Officers also attended various training sessions held throughout the region.

Training this year included instruction on Legal Updates, CPR/First Aid/AED, Fentanyl training, Critical Incident Response, Taser proficiency, Defensive Tactics, Emergency Vehicle Operations Course, Firearms, and Roll Call Trainings. In addition to in-service training, officers are sent to a variety of specialized training schools to enhance their respective duties. In 2017 these included: Leadership Instructor Development, Radar, Accident Investigation Basic and Advanced, Emergency Management, Safe Schools, CALEA, Police Supervision, Pedestrian & Bicycle Training, Street Survival, Terrorist Weapons Tactics, Search Warrant Training, Disability Awareness, Racial Diversity & Effective Communications, Force Science, Walking While Black Seminar, Street Survival Defensive Tactics Instructor, NYS Juvenile, Interview and Interrogation, Basic Crime Scene Photography, NYS Women in Law Enforcement.

2017 Training:

The DeWitt Police Department conducted the following training for its Officers in 2017. Most of this training is hours per Officer; an example is Firearms. Each of our 44 Officers received 16 hours of Firearms training.

2017 Officer Training by Hour



Total number of training hours - 924

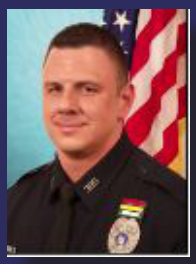
2016 Awards Ceremony

On the afternoon of February 16, 2017, the DeWitt Police Department hosted our Annual Awards Ceremony where Department members joined with families, friends, and community members at Town Hall to recognize the accomplishments of our Officers and Citizens over the past year.

Life Saving Award



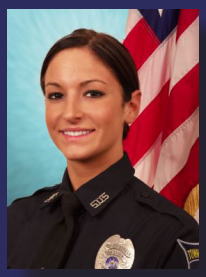
Sergeant Dennis Mower



Officer Donald Baumann



Officer Michael Ellis



Officer Brittany Mangano



Officer Mark Stanard

Distinguished Service Award



Inv. Leroy Andrews Jr.

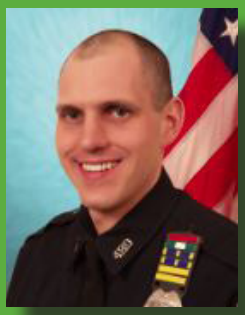
Police Officer of the Year and Dedication to Service



Officer Irving Reynolds

Awards Ceremony Continued

Outstanding Law Enforcement Accomplishment



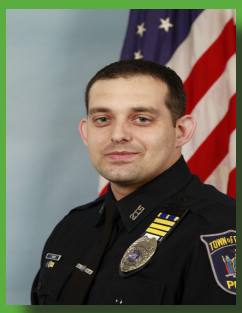
Sergeant Christopher Fuller



Sergeant Brenton White



Sergeant Jerry Pace



Investigator Timothy Farley



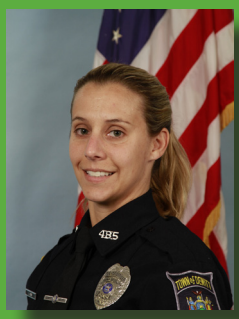
Investigator Lucas Byron



Officer Jeffrey MacDonald



Officer Dale Barhite



Officer Lindsey Pienkowski



Officer Chad Frederick



Officer Jarod Petrie



Officer Matthew Menard



Officer Robert Wolfe

2017 Calls For Service as reported by the 911 Center

	2016	2017
Ambulance Calls	920	782
Alarms - Burglary	909	1,034
Alarms - All Other	405	123
Animal Complaint	294	271
Assault	48	41
Auto Accident Injury	309	311
Auto Accident Property	1,791	1,615
Auto Accident Fatal	1	0
Bomb Threat	1	4
Burglary	213	205
Call for Police	553	538
Child Abuse	87	73
Criminal Mischief	166	204
Controlled Substance	70	88
Dispute	643	606
Disturbance	116	138
Dead Body	40	39
Domestic	521	549
DWI	60	68
Fight In Progress	88	133
Fire Call	233	193
Forgery/Fraud/Identity	211	183
Fireworks	37	31
Harassment	372	351
Police Information	490	305
Intoxicated Person	84	85
Disabled Vehicle	855	626
Juvenile Problem	129	118
Larceny	1,709	1,544

	2016	2017
Lewdness	11	27
Lock Out	64	69
Noise Complaint	191	178
Mental Person	241	187
Missing Person	139	146
Murder	1	1
Open Door	69	52
Overdose	68	41
Property Check	7,585	6,567
Property - Lost/Found	238	227
Rape	3	2
Robbery	48	43
Shots Fired	43	46
Stabbing	13	5
Status Check -Citizen	292	333
Suicide	122	144
Suspicious Incident	86	58
Susp Person w/ Weap	25	28
Sex Offense	15	18
Suspicious Persons	561	446
Suspicious Vehicle	506	520
Traffic Problem	475	522
Trespass	103	99
Veh Parking Violation	396	414
Vehicle Stolen	120	78
Vehicle Disabled	855	626
Veh & Traffic Stops	5,285	5,841
Wires Down	63	61
All Other Call Types	1,639	1,048
Totals:	**30,611**	**28,085**

Vehicle & Traffic Tickets

2016	2017
2,368	2,524

Custodial Arrests

2016	2017
Adults/Juveniles 1,234/18	Adult/Juveniles 1,017/25

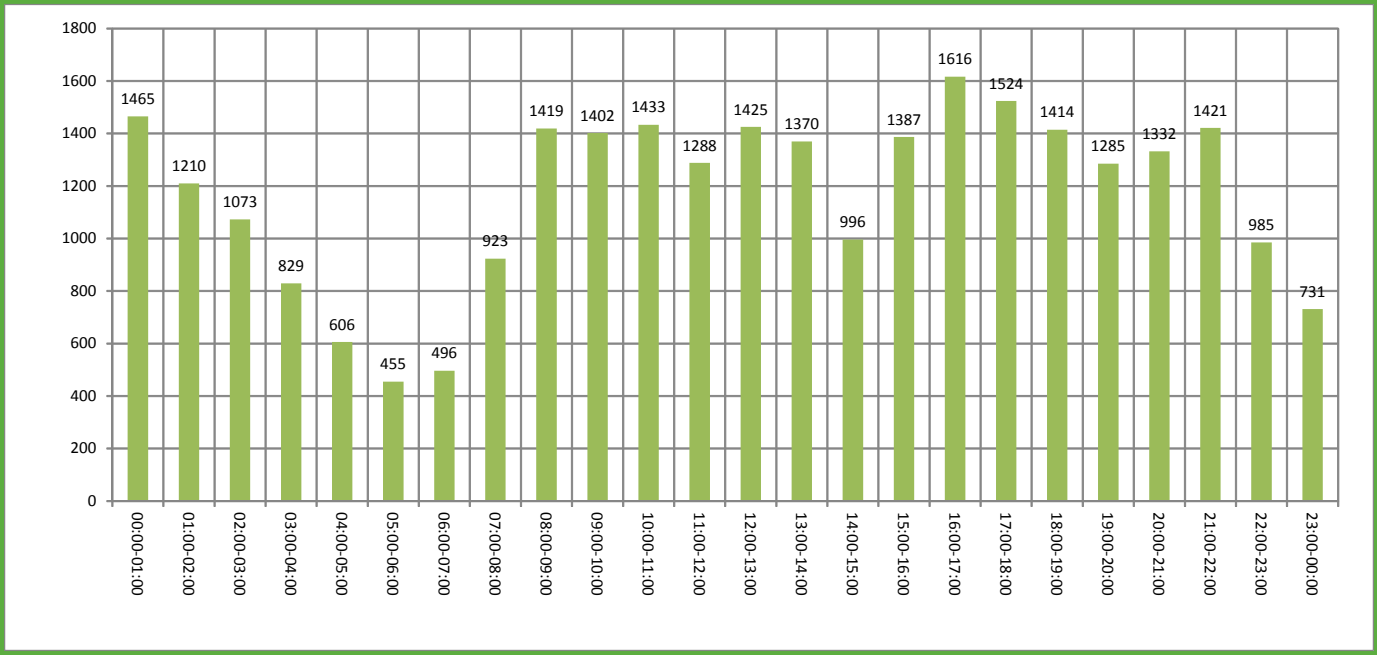
Uniform Crime Report (UCR) Part 1 Offenses

Year	2017
Murder	1
Rape	4
Robbery	16
Assault	27
Burglary	78
Larceny	617
Vehicle Theft	20
Totals:	**763**

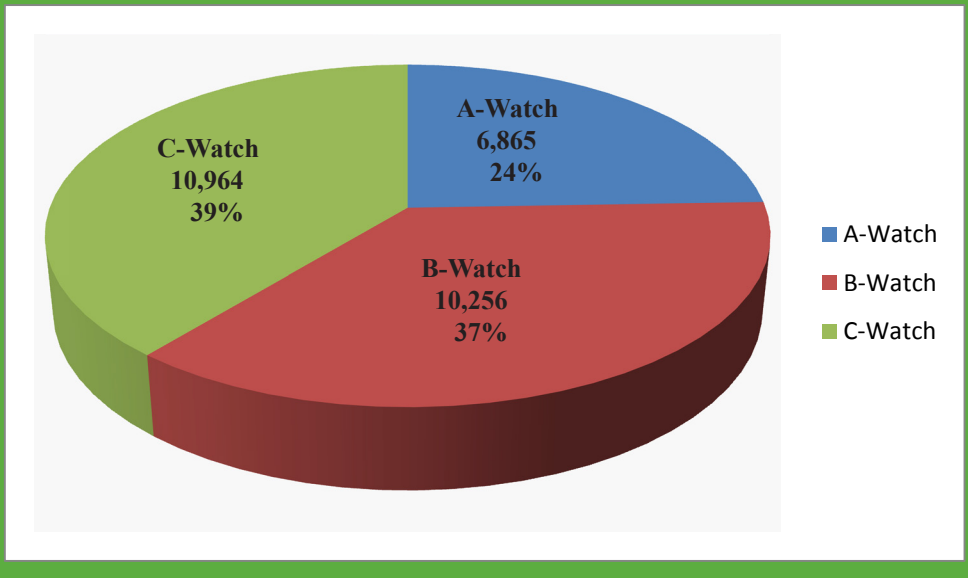
Uniform Crime Report (UCR) Part 2 Offenses

Year	2017
Arson	4
Kidnapping	3
Controlled Substances	81
Dangerous Weapons	5
Sex Offenses	3
Extortion	1
Forgery / Counterfeiting	17
Stolen Property	4
Prostitution & Vice	0
Coercion	1
Criminal Mischief	102
Fraud	26
Gambling	0
Offenses Against Public Order	0
Embezzlement	0
Simple Assault	120
Offenses Against Family	0
Driving Under Influence	40
Unauthorized Use of Vehicle	1
Possession of Burglar Tools	0
Liquor Law Violations	0
Disorderly Conduct	3
Loitering	0
All Other Offenses	55
Totals:	**466**

Number of Calls By Hour of the Day

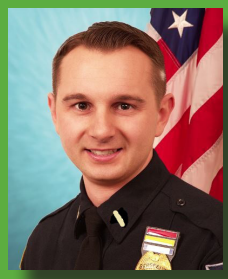


Percentage of Calls By Shift

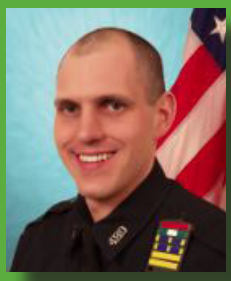


Employee News

Promotions



Lieutenant Chase Bilodeau



Lieutenant Chris Fuller

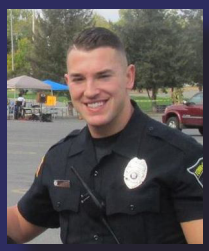


Sergeant Jerry Pace



Sergeant Jarod Petrie

New Officers



Officer Alex Fratini



Officer James Toomey

Retirements



Chief James Hildmann



Lieutenant Thomas Norton



Inv Thomas Regan



Inv Randy Andrews

2018 Points of Contact

CHIEF OF POLICE

Department Head, Research & Planning, Budget, Risk Management
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Captain Chase L. Bilodeau
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CID Commander, Training Coordinator, Community Policing
Lieutenant Christopher J. Fuller
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LIEUTENANT

Patrol Commander, Evidence & Property, Special Events
Vacant

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Department Photos













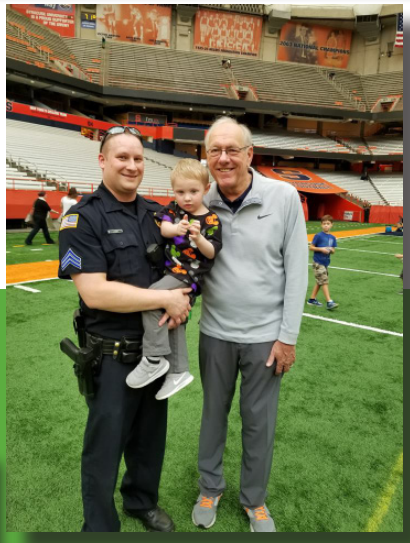

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