

# CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

2020 ANNUAL REPORT





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The following report represents the work performed by the  
Chesterfield Police Department in 2020.

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## DEPARTMENT WIDE STATISTICS

Events	Yearly Totals
Radio Assignments	50815
CARE Reports	2465
Custodial Arrests	710
Summons Issued in Lieu of Arrest	688
DWI	118
Traffic Citations	5422
Warnings	7034
Total Crashes	943
Fatality Crashes	2
Injury Crashes	182
Property Damage Crashes	759
Citizen Fingerprints	85

The Chesterfield Police Department routinely tracks deer related incidents including deer and vehicle collisions, as well as tagging deer carcasses when located on roadways to better evaluate their impact on the safety of the community.

TOTAL DEER INCIDENTS	Incident Type	2020
	Vehicle Collisions	41
	Other/Animal Destruction	14
	Carcass Tags	15
	Total	70
	Total Deer Harvested	94

## BUREAU OF UNIFORMED PATROL

The Bureau of Uniformed Patrol is the largest bureau of the department, consisting of three Lieutenants, six Sergeants and thirty-six Police Officers. These officers provide a visible, uniformed presence within the community, 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. The bureau is responsible for responding to all calls for service; to include crimes in progress, crimes discovered, alarms sounding, traffic crashes and hazards, emotionally disturbed persons, and a myriad of other requests for service. In addition, officers perform preventative patrols of neighborhoods, businesses and parks to detect and deter criminal activity, as well as routinely conducting traffic enforcement to improve traffic safety. Several officers assigned to the bureau are cross trained as Crime Scene Officers whose responsibility is to seize evidence and process crime scenes for forensic evidence. A number of Chesterfield officers have received extensive training

Calls For Service	25253
Self-Initiated	12942
Open Door Reports	182
Open Garage Door Notifications	2838
Crime Scene Supplements Entered	451
Field Interview Reports Entered	241

### DIRECTED PATROL

A directed patrol assignment was initiated in mid-April to combat the motor vehicle thefts which have been occurring in the St. Louis region. An additional squad of officers were assigned to the midnight shift to supplement sector officers.



Firearms and narcotics seized by Chesterfield Officers as a result of a single car rollover crash on Eatherton.

## BUREAU OF UNIFORMED PATROL

### ARSON

On April 13th, Officers responded to an apartment on Westboro Circle for a fire. The reporting individual was on scene and it was determined he had set the fire on purpose in an attempt to harm himself. He was admitted to the hospital for smoke inhalation and observation. He has since been released and has fled to California. Warrants were issued on the suspect and he has paid restitution.

### EDP SUBJECT

On May 20th, Chesterfield officers received a call to check the welfare of a person walking on I-64 near the Daniel Boone Bridge. St. Charles County officers located the emotionally disturbed person in their venue on EB 64 just west of the bridge. A Chesterfield Officer arrived on scene just as the subject ran from St. Charles County across the westbound lanes. As the Officer was speaking with the subject, the person attempted to once again run across the westbound lanes. The Officer physically prevented the person from doing this and protected her from certain injury or death. It is noted that at the time, traffic on the highway was heavy making it unlikely the person could have again crossed the traffic lanes without being struck by a vehicle.

### DWI/ FELON IN POSSESSION OF A FIREARM

On May 8th, at 3:35AM, officers assigned to a Priority Squad stopped a suspicious vehicle, occupied by four individuals, on Olive Blvd. at Swingley Ridge Dr. The driver was clearly under the influence of drugs and was arrested for DWI. A search of the vehicle resulted in the seizure of a handgun, narcotics, drug paraphernalia and counterfeit \$100 bills. Investigation revealed the handgun, most of the drugs and counterfeit currency belonged to the driver. A passenger was issued a summons for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. The driver was a convicted felon and an additional charge of Felon in Possession of a Firearm was added. The U.S. District Attorney adopted the firearm case against the driver and charged him with violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1), Felon in Possession of a Firearm. The case is pending in Federal Court.

### PROTESTS AND SUPPORT FOR OTHER AGENCIES

The Police Department provided support for four protest marches within the City during the month of June. Nearly 1,700 people participated in the four marches, with the largest event taking place on June 14, 2020 when approximately 1,500 participants marched from Parkway West High School to Parkway West Middle School. Officers provided traffic control and escorted the marchers on their route, ensuring a safe and peaceful event for all participants.

During the month of June, Chesterfield officers continue to support surrounding agencies with civil unrest and protest marches as part of the region's mutual aid plan. Members of the department's Special Response Team provided support for 21 days in June for 24 separate marches and protests. These included marches in Brentwood, Frontenac, Eureka, Ballwin and Creve Coeur, as well as active demonstrations, protests and civil unrest in Ferguson and Florissant.

## BUREAU OF UNIFORMED PATROL

### AIRPLANE CRASH

On August 22nd, a 1956 Cessna 180 crashed on the upper driveway of Parkway West Middle School. One Officer immediately arrived on scene and observed the pilot hanging upside down from the wreckage. The Officer approached and discovered the plane was leaking fuel. He cut the pilot's seatbelt and moved him to a safe location. The pilot was injured, but will survive. The FAA is conducting a formal investigation.



Officers utilizing the Department's drone to investigate an airplane crash.

### ASSAULT 1ST

On September 19th, officers responded to 17379 Edison Avenue (Sky Zone) for a shooting which had just occurred. Upon arrival, officers located a victim who had been shot in the back by a 33 year old Florissant resident. The two began to argue over a female who was also present at the scene. The suspect fled and later turned himself in to detectives. He was charged with Assault 1<sup>st</sup> Degree and Armed Criminal Action.

### POSSESSION OF STOLEN FIREARM/ LARCENY

Officers responded to the 16300 block of Lydia Hill for a peace disturbance involving a suspicious vehicle. The vehicle was located and stopped. The vehicle was occupied by a 20 year old male from Weldon Spring and a 20 year old male from O'Fallon, MO. Investigation and subsequent suspect interviews revealed the two suspects were in Chesterfield committing car cloutings. The two were also in possession of three stolen handguns. In custody warrant application resulted in both subjects being charged with three counts of felony possession of stolen property and one misdemeanor count of stealing. Bond for each suspect was set at \$30,000.

## TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT UNIT

The Bureau of Traffic Enforcement is responsible for the safety of Chesterfield's residents and visitors as they travel throughout the 244 miles of traffic-ways that wind throughout the 32 square miles of Chesterfield. Additionally, the Unit is charged with coordinating enforcement, safety and security for all special events, such as the annual Independence Day celebration, various runs, and other events held within the City. The Traffic Unit maintains primary responsibility for directed traffic enforcement, accident investigation and special event traffic management throughout the City of Chesterfield.

- ⇒ The Traffic Unit conducted four DWI saturation grants in the months of March, July, August and October resulting in 4 total DWI arrests.
- ⇒ The Traffic Unit provided traffic control for various community events including Pumpkin Run, Pedal the Cause Kids Car Parade, Chamber of Commerce Concerts in the Park and Chanukah Menorah Car Parade.
- ⇒ In late August and early September, Traffic Enforcement Officers conducted a directed patrol of Chesterfield Mall and the surrounding streets as a result of a complaints of loud mufflers, vehicles spinning their tires to make noise, and excessive speeds. During this directed patrol, officers stopped 109 violators (connected to the gathering at the mall), issued 98 citations and 95 warnings. Three drivers were arrested and two vehicles were towed.

## RECONSTRUCTIONS

- ⇒ Traffic Officers processed three reconstructions in 2020:
  - On September 23rd, Officers observed a vehicle travelling recklessly at a high rate of speed several times. The vehicle was later located on Olive Blvd. near Tienda where it had crossed over the oncoming lane and hit a tree head on. The vehicle caught fire and the passenger was ejected from the vehicle. Officers were able to rescue the passenger but were unable to rescue the driver due to the fire inside the vehicle.
  - Approximately 20 hours following the above crash, a motorcycle, which had left a local bar, was travelling east bound on Chesterfield Airport Road just east of Cepi Dr. A tractor trailer was across the lanes of traffic as it was being turned around to travel west because the road ahead was closed due to a previous crash that had knocked down powerlines across the road. The motorcyclist did not see the tractor trailer and drove under trailer receiving serious injuries. The motorcyclist survived the crash.
  - On December 30th, a vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed observed by witnesses, struck the signal light pole located in the center of the roadway (between east and westbound traffic) on MO 340 Olive Blvd. at River Valley. The car caught fire almost immediately upon impact. The Chesterfield Fire Protection District Units arrived on scene and extinguished the fire; however, the driver had succumbed to his injuries at the scene.

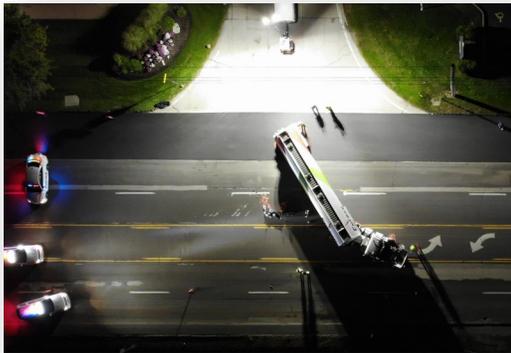
## TOP CRASH/ TICKET INTERSECTIONS

### TOP CRASH LOCATIONS

Olive and 141	31
I-64 and Clarkson/Olive	29
Chesterfield Airport Road and Boones Crossing	28
Eatherton Road and Lions Head	21
141 and Brooking Park	19
Total Clarkson/Olive Corridor	166
Total I-64 Accidents- EB:42 WB:59	101

### TOP TICKET LOCATIONS

Olive and 141	481
I-64 and Boones Crossing	424
I-64 and Chesterfield Parkway West	250
I-64 and Timberlake Manor Parkway	242
I-64 and Chesterfield Parkway East	225



Officers utilizing the Department's drone to investigate and assist in the reconstruction of a serious injury motorcycle crash.

### PRIORITY STREET TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

The Priority Street Traffic Enforcement Program identifies numerous streets throughout the City where enhanced enforcement efforts are conducted. These streets are selected based on crash statistics and/or citizen complaints. The majority of these locations are within subdivisions where complaints of speeding and/or stop sign violations have been received. Officers assigned to the Traffic Enforcement Unit and the Bureau of Uniformed Patrol are expected to routinely monitor these locations and take enforcement action when necessary.

# of Streets	# of Times	# of days	Time Spent	Tickets	Warnings
83	3674	356	2016:29	648	1054

## SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

The Special Enforcement Unit is responsible for handling all calls for service and providing a high level of uniformed visibility in all of the City's parks, walking trails and the four primary retail centers within the City Limits of Chesterfield.

Warrants Issued	78	Arrests	168
Property Recovered	\$99,072	Felony Charges	118
Park Patrol Hours	1893:05	Misdemeanor Charges	198

### FILING FALSE POLICE REPORT

Officers received multiple anonymous calls with detailed information concerning a female subject “dealing drugs” in Chesterfield. This subject was stopped by our Officers and suspected methamphetamine was seized. Further investigation revealed the drugs were actually planted by two 28 year old subjects from St. Francois County, one of whom was the father of the female subject’s daughter. Both subjects were arrested and charged with distribution of drugs and filing a false police report.

### CHILD ENDANGERMENT

Officers were advised of a young child left unattended in a vehicle on the parking lot of Walmart. The vehicle was not running and all of the windows were up. The external temperature was 93 degrees. Officers immediately opened one of the doors and rescued the child. The parents were located and both charged with Child Endangerment.

### PROSTITUTION

A 31 year old from Bridgeton was found to be advertising prostitution services within the city limits of Chesterfield. Officers set up an “appointment” with the suspect who agreed to meet up with a plain clothes officer at the Comfort Inn. The suspect was arrested upon the Officer’s arrival and drugs were also seized.

## SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

### POSSESSION OF A THEFT DEVICE

A 34 year old from Denver, CO got off the bus at Macy's. He was carrying a backpack with several sheets of aluminum foil in plain view. Officers found this suspicious and began speaking with the individual. It was soon revealed he intended to steal from Macy's. A further search of his backpack discovered drugs, drug paraphernalia and stolen items. Subject was arrested.



On February 6th, 2020, a suspect from East St Louis, IL was sentenced to a total of 4 years in prison due to numerous thefts in Chesterfield and throughout the St Louis Area. In addition, the suspect still has a case pending in Illinois after a search warrant at her residence which yielded approximately \$20,000 worth of stolen merchandise.

### TRAFFICKING NARCOTICS

In the course of a shoplifting investigation, officers gathered information from a 32 year old Springfield, MO resident that the other suspect, a 46 year old Maryland Heights resident was trafficking narcotics. Officers obtained a search warrant for the suspect's residence and recovered suspected methamphetamine and Xanax, among other controlled substances. They additionally seized \$5,795 in currency. St. Louis County PA took the case under advisement, awaiting lab results on the controlled substances.

### LARCENY

A 56 year old subject from St. Louis was observed by an SEU Officer walking through the Walmart parking lot with a cart full of un-bagged merchandise. Seeing this as suspicious, the Officer stopped the subject and soon realized all of the items were indeed stolen. The subject was arrested and over \$550 worth of property was recovered.

# CLARKSON VALLEY

On December 1, 2017 the department entered into a contractual agreement with the neighboring City of Clarkson Valley to provide comprehensive police services; 24-hour uniform patrols, traffic enforcement, response to calls for service, court and meeting security and community engagement programs.

Police Activity Report			
Radio Calls	682	Self-Initiated	1585
Reports			
Crime/Incident Reports	62	Alarms	117
Open Door	14	Open Garage Doors	323
Crash Reports			
Injury	3	Non-Injury	22
Traffic Enforcement			
Moving	327	Non-Moving	112
Warnings	205	Parking Violations	3
Total (Tickets & Warnings)		647	
Arrests			
Felony	1	Misdemeanor	8
Fugitive	3	Summons Issued	8

- ⇒ The City of Clarkson Valley participated in one drug take back event on October 24th.
- ⇒ In light of public health emergencies and stay at home orders, Clarkson Valley Officers provided continuous coverage and were prepared to aid elderly and/or infirmed residents in obtaining certain life essential items.

## BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

The Bureau of Criminal Investigations is responsible for the follow-up investigation of all active offenses. The Bureau has one detective assigned to all juvenile cases and one detective detached to the St. Louis County Drug Task Force. The Unit is also responsible for major crime scene management, electronic forensic examinations, intelligence information management and personnel background investigations.

Active Cases Assigned	709
Follow-Up Phone Call	75
Cases Cleared	164
Arrests	43
Summons Issued	37
Warrants Issued	54
Family Court Referrals	93
Recovered Property	\$1,390,438
Initial Background Interview Reports Completed	19
Comprehensive Background Interview Reports Completed	10
Major Case Squad Callouts	17

## BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

### MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

Detectives investigated a vehicle theft from Gold's Gym. There were several vehicles taken from other area Gold's Gyms and it was learned the suspect obtained a guest pass and were using that to enter the locker rooms to steal keys. The motor vehicle stolen from Chesterfield was recovered and warrants were obtained on two suspects.

### FRAUD

Victim withdrew \$19,000 cash at the request of an "FBI Agent" and mailed it to an address in Texas. A Detective contacted FedEx and rerouted the package to a holding facility where the money was recovered and returned to the victim.

### BURGLARY/ MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

Two Detectives were lead investigators in the recent car clouters/car theft cases. One main suspect and associates were responsible for over 44 cases in which 22 cars were stolen, 9 home burglarized and 5 firearms were stolen. These Detectives' efforts resulted in the ID and arrest of multiple suspects.

### BURGLARY

Two suspects entered an office building and stole over \$25,000 worth of high-end office furniture. Investigation identified both suspects who are currently located out of the state. Warrants for the suspects are currently being sought.

### ROBBERY AND ARMED CRIMINAL ACTION

On July 4th, a resident was approached by two males while he was sitting in his vehicle on the parking lot of the JCCA. One of the subjects displayed a handgun and pointed it at the victim's face and demanded he exit the vehicle. The two suspects then fled in the victim's vehicle. An extensive investigation involving patrol officers and the detective bureau resulted in the positive identification and arrest of a 19 year old St. Louis City resident and a 20 year old Florissant resident. Warrants were obtained on both for Robbery 1<sup>st</sup> degree and Armed Criminal Action.

### MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

A juvenile well known to CPD was taken into custody and referred to juvenile court over six times throughout the year. This individual is responsible for multiple car thefts, burglaries and assaults and is a habitual runaway.

### EMBEZZLEMENT

An employee at a local hotel was suspected of embezzling over \$16,000 from his workplace. The suspect admitted that he did not have permission to use the hotel's bartering accounts for personal use. He was contacted and arranged to pay restitution to the victim business.

## COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

The Community Affairs Unit is responsible for all crime prevention, police community relations and youth-based programs and initiatives. The unit's programs include the DARE program, Safety Town, COPPS, code enforcement, citizen fingerprinting, speaker's bureau, Neighborhood Watch, child car seat installation program and coordinating the citizen police academy. The Department's Volunteers in Policing (VIP) program and the Chesterfield Police Explorer Post are also housed within the Community Affairs Unit.

Station Tours	4	Court Security dates	4
Car Seat Installations	18	City Council Security dates	8
Community events, presentations and meetings		55	

- ⇒ Officers from the Police Community Relations Unit completed the following work during 2020:
- One Officer taught a five day Defensive Tactics Instructor Course and Defensive Tactics Recertification Training at St. Louis Municipal Police Academy
  - The Unit filmed Virtual Safety Town in June which was launched in July
  - On July 11th, Officers and volunteers handed out over 9,000 free disposable face masks to Chesterfield residents during a drive through pick up event.
  - Officers continued to reach out to local groups and present safety and emergency services to them virtually and socially distanced including employees of Delmar Gardens, multiple subdivision meetings, children at United Hebrew, YMCA pre-school, Autism and Behavioral Spectrum Clinic among others
  - Community Affairs Officers participated in a total of 56 special event parades in 2020
  - The Unit coordinated this Department's participation in the Police Memorial Lap at World Wide Technology Raceway.
  - Officers conducted multiple neighborhood show-ups around Chesterfield with the goal to raise awareness around Lock It or Lose It
  - DEA Drug Take Back Event held in October collected a total of 242.1 pounds of unwanted/unused medication
  - Officers celebrated National Night Out on October 7th with multiple local subdivisions
  - Taught Code Enforcement/COPPS Update training for in-service training for all Officers
  - The Department's No-Shave November event was extended through the month of December. The Department raised over \$7,500, with the help of Window World St. Louis, to donate to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital



The Lafayette Area Police Departments coordinated efforts to remind residents to lock their doors, take their keys and valuables with them and make sure they close their garage doors.

## SPECIAL EVENTS



CPD held a Coffee with a Cop event on February 6th. Thank you to Mobil On The Run for hosting it!

On March 26th, the Department hosted a parade through subdivisions around Chesterfield and Clarkson Valley.



On April 30th, Chesterfield PD, joined by our awesome Chesterfield Public Works, conducted another "Mini-parade" through some of our great neighborhoods!

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Officers Participating in the Police Memorial Lap at World Wide Technology Raceway in August

## SPECIAL EVENTS

August 22nd would have been our annual concert, the Ed Nestor Memorial Backstopalooza to benefit Backstoppers. Sadly, due to Covid-19, we had to cancel it this year. On August 21st, our Officers and City of Chesterfield employees showed their spirit by wearing Backstopalooza t-shirts in support of Backstoppers. We are happy to announce that we raised a total of \$22,663 in 2020 from the Ed Nestor Memorial Backstopalooza Concert to benefit Backstoppers. Thank you to all our sponsors, individuals who donated on our fundraising page, bought t-shirts and sent any support to this great cause.



It was great stopping by and meeting our neighbors on October 6th for National Night Out.

Police Volunteers and Officers work the DEA Drug Take Back Event at Clarkson Valley City Hall on October 24th. The event was also held at Chesterfield City Hall.



Throughout the months of November and December, Officers were allowed to grow a beard if they paid a donation of \$75 to St Jude Children's Hospital. The Department raised over \$7,500, with the help of Window World St. Louis for this great cause.

## SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

The School Resource Unit serves as resources and department liaisons at nineteen public and private schools located in Chesterfield and Clarkson Valley. The agency has ten full time officers assigned to the program. Six of the School Resource Officers (SROs) are individually assigned to the three public high schools and three public middle schools located in the two cities. The high school and middle school SRO programs are partially funded by the Parkway School District and the Rockwood School District representing one of the department's many successful community partnerships. In recent years, the department has added four additional officers to the unit that serve a similar role in the City's elementary schools, the Elementary SRO program (ESRO). These ESROs are assigned to seven public and six private elementary schools. Additionally, one ESRO is assigned to Logan College.

### Elementary School Resource Officer Activity

Hours Spent in School	1560:34
Hours of Classroom Instruction and Presentation	54
School Events Attended	42
Meetings Attended with Admin. And Staff	32

As the Parkway and Rockwood School Districts navigated through the challenges of virtual learning during the Spring and much of the Fall of 2020, our SRO's continued to provide a valuable resource to their school communities. SRO's took the opportunity to review and update safety and intruder response plans, reunification efforts and procedures to ensure continued intruder response training and preparation for faculty and staff. In addition, officers assisted school counselors, social workers and principals in ensuring students were safely engaging in virtual learning and their social, emotional and mental health needs were being met. Our SRO's are looking forward to full in-person learning to continue building positive, long-lasting relationships with their students.

### SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER ASSIGNMENTS

School	Assigned SRO	School	Assigned SRO
Parkway Central High School	Officer Layton	Parkway West Middle School	Officer Borawski
Parkway Central Middle School	Officer Cordia	Crestview Middle School	Officer Budd
Parkway West High School	Officer Hernandez	Marquette High School	Officer Aspinall
Wild Horse Elementary	Officer Smajlovic	Missouri Torah High School	Officer Queen
Ascension School	Officer Smajlovic	River Bend Elementary	Officer Queen
Barat Academy	Officer Smajlovic	Highcroft Ridge Elementary	Officer Queen
Logan University	Officer Smajlovic	Incarnate Word School	Officer Queen
Chesterfield Elementary	Officer Putnam	Green Trails Elementary	Officer Kaatmann
Chesterfield Day School	Officer Putnam	Montessori Academy	Officer Kaatmann
Kehrs Mill Elementary	Officer Putnam	Shenandoah Valley Elementary	Officer Kaatmann

# CODE ENFORCEMENT

The Code Enforcement Unit is responsible for responding to complaints of nuisance violations, housing code violation and other quality of life issues that affect members of our community. The department's Code Enforcement Inspector works closely with offending property owners to abate the violation(s); however, legal remedies will be sought when those efforts fail. As noted in the table below, this unit is able to resolve the vast majority of violations, through voluntary compliance.

Number of Complaints	419
Letters Sent	326
Abated	238
Cases Forwarded to	0
No Violation	93
Hearings	0
Summons Issued	2
Community Inquiries	269



Code Enforcement Inspector investigating a home resulting from a request for action filed by a resident.



Code Enforcement Inspector investigates a citizen complaint regarding a public nuisance violation of stagnant water in a

## RECORDS AND PROPERTY

The Bureau of Records and Property is responsible for record storage and release, the proper storage of evidence and property, fleet maintenance and administration of the department's in-car and body worn camera program.

New Cases Entered Into Computer Based Evidence Tracking System	1215	
Items of Evidence Logged	3985	
Bonds Processed	130	totaling \$40,147
Including Bonds Processed for Other Agencies	36	totaling \$12,695
Police Reports Released	1057	
Telephone Calls Received	39655	

- ⇒ Chesterfield City Hall was closed to the public as a precaution related to Covid-19. As a result, the Chesterfield Police records clerks were responsible for answering and directing City Hall phone calls and inquiries, in addition to their normal duties during the month of May.
- ⇒ During the month of April, a 100% inventory of the Property Room was completed. There were no discrepancies.
- ⇒ Unannounced evidence inspections were completed on July 22 and November 10, 2020.
- ⇒ On January 29, 2020, Officers conducted a drug burn involving two court orders from 150 criminal cases.
- ⇒ A total of 476.1 pounds of drop box medication was burned during 2020.
- ⇒ During January, March and September approximately 2,100 items of evidence were disposed of through Court order.



Officers conducting an unannounced evidence inspection.

# TRAINING

The Personnel and Training Unit directly assists the agency and the Police Personnel Board in the recruitment, hiring, and promotion of police department personnel, as well as the continuing education and training of the existing members of the agency. One member of the unit, a commissioned police officer, is currently detached to the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy where he serves as an academy instructor.

Hours of In-service Training	2162
Hours of Academy Sponsored Training	676
Hours of Other Training	497
Hours of Police Legal Science online computer training	1287

## TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

- ⇒ Officers conducted socially distant outdoor firearms training and physical agility testing at the Department's firearm range.
- ⇒ In-service training included socially distant classroom instruction on Community Oriented Policing and Problem Solving, electronic evidence collection, digital currency investigations and Use of Force Policies & Reporting Procedures.
- ⇒ All in-service training at the St. Louis County Municipal Police Academy was paused as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic from March through the end of 2020.
- ⇒ All Officers completed their required four hours of Emergency Vehicles Operations training in 2020 (pictured below).



## INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND COMPLAINT INFORMATION

### INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND COMPLAINT INVESTIGATIONS 2018-2020

External	2018	2019	2020
Citizen Complaint	3	1	0
Sustained	1	1	0
Not Sustained	0	0	0
Unfounded	1	0	0
Exonerated	1	0	0
Awards/Commendations	4	6	0
Internal	2018	2019	2020
Directed Complaint	1	4	1
Sustained	1	4	0
Not Sustained	0	0	0
Unfounded	0	0	1
Exonerated	0	0	0
Awards/Commendations	9	10	5

### DISCIPLINARY ACTION ADMINISTERED DURING 2020:

Terminations	0	Letters of Reprimand	0
Suspensions	0	Supervisory Counseling	0

## PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

The Chesterfield Police Department processed 138 applications for Police Officer in 2020. The Department hired and trained two new Police Officers.



Officer Amanda Rocklage-Dompierre was sworn in on January 21st.

Officer Andrew Mattaline was sworn in on February 3rd.



On February 21st, Detective Chris Muench celebrated 25 years in Policing, Detective Clayton McGee, 15 years and Investigative Support Specialist Suzanne Reid, 30 years.



Police Officer Kyle Tyndell received the department's Life Saving Award for the second time in his career on April 2nd. In the fall of 2019, Officer Tyndell performed CPR on a man who had collapsed on the parking lot of a Chesterfield apartment complex. As a direct result of Officer Tyndell's efforts, the man was successfully resuscitated.

## PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

On March 13, 2020, Captain Cheryl Funkhouser graduated from the FBI National Academy. The National Academy offers 10 weeks of advanced communication, leadership and fitness training. The Chesterfield Police Department is extremely proud to have five current employees who have attended and graduated from the FBI National Academy.



On May 18th, Officer Matt Paubel celebrated 15 years of service.

Officer Timothy Carter was presented with the Chesterfield Police Department's Life Saving Award and the Chief's Commendation in 2020. In April, Officer Carter pulled an elderly man from a small airplane following a crash. Officer Carter immediately assessed the patient and found that the man had labored breathing. Within moments, the man stopped breathing and had no pulse. At that point, Officer Carter began to administer Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation. Officer Carter continued CPR until paramedics were able to relieve him. Officer Carter's action contributed greatly to the fact that this patient survived.



On June 4th, the Chesterfield Police Department celebrated Police Officer Thomas Huesgen's 40th Anniversary in law enforcement.

## PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

On June 26th, the men and women of the Chesterfield Police Department celebrated with Police Officer Ashley Saffa on the occasion of her being awarded the “Chief’s Commendation.” On May 20th, 2020, Officer Saffa saw a person walking in the slow lane of the highway. Saffa took immediate action and blocked the traffic lane, prevented her from entering traffic and attempted to speak to her. Saffa recognized the imminent danger, and grabbed the individual’s clothing to stop her from entering into yet another active traffic lane. Officer Saffa held her on the ground until additional units arrived to assist. The person was eventually conveyed to Progress West Hospital and admitted for psychiatric evaluation.



August 7th, 2020, The Chesterfield Police Department Celebrated Police Officer Don Schlemmer’s 25th Anniversary as a Law Enforcement Officer.

On August 27th, Police Officer Steve Borawski’s was recognized for his 30 year commitment to a life of service as a law enforcement officer.



On August 28th, the Department recognized Police Officer Russell Hesser with the Employee Recognition Award.

October 20th, Katie Oberlander received the Employee Recognition Award.



On October 30th, Detective John Bodi was promoted to the rank of Police Sergeant.