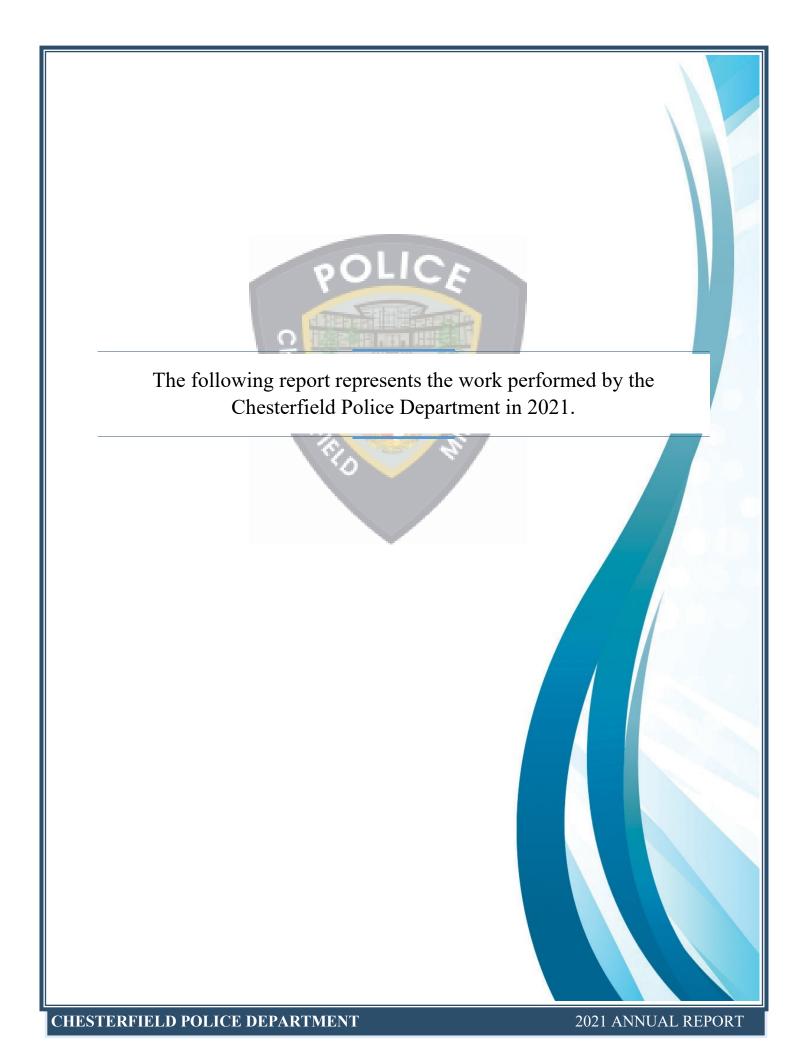


CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

2021 ANNUAL REPORT





DEPARTMENT WIDE STATISTICS

Events	Yearly Totals
Radio Assignments	57101
CARE Reports	3186
Custodial Arrests	684
Summons Issued in Lieu of Arrest	607
DWI	88
Traffic Citations	5799
Warnings	6624
Total Crashes	1175
Fatality Crashes	0
Injury Crashes	230
Property Damage Crashes	910
Citizen Fingerprints	112

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	Incident Type	2021
INCIDENTS	Vehicle Collisions	29
	Other/Animal Destruction	24
	Carcass Tags	21
	Total	74
	Total Deer Harvested	62

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	27033
Self-Initiated	12948
Open Door Reports	108
Open Garage Door Notifications	2086
Crime Scene Supplements Entered	735
Field Interview Reports Entered	168

MEDAL OF VALOR

Two of our current Chesterfield Patrol Officers and one former Chesterfield Patrol Officer each received the Governor's Medal of Valor from Governor Mike Parson in September for their life saving efforts during a directed patrol the previous September (2020).



BUREAU OF UNIFORMED PATROL

BURGLARY

On January 17th, at 5:41am, a hotel guest staying at the Homewood Suites witnessed a white male subject attempting to break into a daycare center. He called the police and began chasing the suspect as he ran from the business. The guest chased the suspect onto Chesterfield Parkway and took him to the ground. As officers arrived the suspect escaped and once again began running. Officers pursued him on foot where he was taken into custody. A subsequent interview and investigation at the scene revealed the suspect was responsible for two other burglaries in the area. The 24 year old St. Charles resident was charged with Burglary 2nd and Stealing Over. He was held on a \$25,000 cash bond.

FLOURISHING FIREARM

On February 20th, four male victims were leaving Top Golf when they observed a male subject hit and push a female. They intervened and told him to stop. The male subject then exchanged word with the four victims and walked to his car. The subject came back carrying an "AR style pistol" and threatened to use it on the victims. The four victims backed away. The suspect and the female got into their vehicle and drove off. Officers arrived after the suspect left but were able to tentatively identify him. Officers, along with help from the Detective Bureau, located the male suspect and were able to seize the weapon and get an admission from the female that he flourished it at the victims. The 30 year old Affton resident was charged with Unlawful Use of a Weapon and Violation of a Restraining Order.

DOMESTIC ASSAULT

On March 19th, a victim staying at the Drury Hotel called for police after being assaulted by the father of her children in their room. The suspect struck her with his fist and choked her. At one point, she was struck while holding a toddler and fell to the ground. The child was not injured. Prior to police arriving, the suspect fled on foot. After an extensive area canvas, the suspect was located and arrested. The 25 year old Illinois resident was charged with Domestic Assault 2nd and Domestic Assault 4th with a \$30,000 cash only bond.

BURGLARY/ POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY

On June 23rd, officers responded to an alarm sounding on the new hotel being constructed at 16461 Wild Horse Creek. As officers were searching the building, they spotted a subject running from the building. He was chased to his vehicle which was parked nearby. Officers surrounded the vehicle and two suspects were eventually taken into custody. They were in possession of multiple stolen power tools and construction supplies from a nearby subdivision under construction. The male was a 42-year-old St. Ann resident. The passenger was a 42-year-old female who also resided in St. Ann.

BUREAU OF UNIFORMED PATROL

BURGLARY/ PROPERTY DAMAGE

On 7/12/2021 a home owner heard the sound of a door opening while inside his residence. He walked to the kitchen area and found a male standing there looking at his keys and wallet on the table. He told the male to leave several times before he finally left the house. A description was broadcast and arriving officers found the suspect nearby. Suspect was taken into custody and a show-up identification was done with the victim who positively identified the suspect as the man who was in his house. The 24-year-old St. Louis resident was charged with Burglary and Property Damage. Bond was set at \$50,000 cash only.



Our Officer rescuing the local wildlife.

RECOVERED STOLEN VEHICLE

On 8/5/2021 officers investigated a suspicious vehicle parked on the lot of the Chesterfield Police station. The vehicle was reported to be stolen (failure to return) out of Woodson Terrace and was occupied by a 45-year -old St. Charles resident. The vehicle was recovered and the driver was arrested for Tampering 1st. The suspect was later released to Woodson Terrace.

SHOOTING/ DOMESTIC ASSAULT

On 09/03/2021 officers responded to a call for a shooting and discovered a 27-year-old Chesterfield resident had shot his girlfriend in the face. An officer familiar with the suspect negotiated with him for over an hour, trying to convince him to turn himself in. His phone was eventually used to obtain his location and he was taken into custody. The female is expected to make a recovery. Warrants were issued for Domestic Assault 1st, Armed Criminal Action, Unlawful Possession of a Firearm, Tampering with Evidence.

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 33 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.

- ⇒ Mothers Against Drunk Driving Saturation Saturday (August 28th) has become a National Event. A sergeant and three officers participated in this event. Several St. Louis Area departments were involved. During the Chesterfield Patrols for the event 50 traffic stops were made, 35 tickets were written, and 33 warnings were issued. No DWIs were detected during that event.
- ⇒ The Traffic Unit provided traffic control for various community events including the City of Chesterfield's July 4th Fireworks Event, Pumpkin Run, Pedal the Cause Kids Car Parade, Chamber of Commerce Concerts in the Park and Chanukah Menorah Car Parade.
- ⇒ On February 26th the Traffic Enforcement Unit (TEU) participated in the MODOT Statewide Speed Enforcement Campaign using a Hazardous Moving Violation Grant. 54 cars were stopped, 46 citations were issued, 25 warnings were given and one arrest was made of a subject wanted for Second Degree Murder and Armed Criminal Action.

RECONSTRUCTIONS

- ⇒ Traffic Enforcement Officers processed one traffic accident reconstruction in 2021:
- The Traffic Enforcement Unit Crash Team was called out on February 5th for a two vehicle crash with serious injuries. One vehicle was eastbound on Chesterfield Airport Road at a very high rate of speed and struck another vehicle which had made a turn from Spirit Drive and was in the center turn lane.



TOP CRASH/ TICKET INTERSECTIONS

TOP CRASH LOCATIONS

Total Clarkson/Olive Corridor	165
Total I-64 Accidents	150
Chesterfield Airport Road	31
Baxter Road	28
MO 141N to MO 340 (Olive)	27

TOP TICKET LOCATIONS

I-64 and Boones Crossing	
MO 141 (Woods Mill) at MO 340 (Olive)	386
I-64 at Timberlake Manor Parkway	336
I-64 at Chesterfield Parkway West	276
I-64 at Long Road	234



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
318	2,093	346	1143:10	404	587

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	108
Property Recovered	\$98,283.16
Park Patrol Hours	1604:20

Arrests	219
Felony Charges	117
Misdemeanor Charges	278

ASSAULT ON LAW ENFORCEMENT, LARCENY RESISTING In January, a 36 year old and a 33 year old, both from St. Louis, were arrested for four counts of Assault 1st on Law Enforcement, Felony Stealing, Felony Resisting Arrest, Possession of Prohibited Theft Devices and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia after stealing over \$7,000 in clothing from Dick's Sporting Goods, and attempting to strike officers with their vehicle while fleeing. In custody warrant application resulted in charges of Felony Stealing and Assault 2nd on Law Enforcement, with the PA advising more charges could result after all the evidence was submitted. All the merchandise was recovered and returned to the owner.

TAMPERING WITH A MOTOR VEHICLE / POSS. OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE In February, a 35 year old St. Charles resident was arrested for Tampering 2nd and Possession of Controlled Substance. Investigation of a suspicious person revealed she had been driven to Chesterfield in a stolen auto and was in possession of heroin, meth, and fentanyl. The vehicle was recovered and the suspect was taken into custody on the new charges and multiple warrants.

RECOVERED STOLEN PROPERTY In April, a long term investigation into a serial shoplifter culminated in the execution of a search warrant on his residence. The 27 year old Ferguson resident was arrested for Possession of Stolen Property and outstanding warrants. Recovered Stolen merchandise from the residence totaled \$10,797.97 and \$5,036 in cash was seized as proceeds from the sale of stolen merchandise. Chesterfield Officers coordinated the multi-jurisdictional investigation which resulted in at least 18 felony cases against the suspect.

SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

RECOVERED STOLEN PROPERTY

In May, SEU Officers investigated a Craig's List ad listing brand new tools priced well below their retail value. Officers conducted an undercover buy with the individual who listed the items, which resulted in an arrest of a 32-year-old Ballwin resident for Possession of Stolen Property and Possession of Controlled Substance. Officers recovered \$2,100 worth of stolen tools.



Great job by our Officers during Tax Free Weekend in August arresting the 3 subjects involved in this theft. The subjects stole over \$3000 worth of merchandise then tried to flee, but were soon apprehended by our Officers.

FELONY THEFT

In September, four suspects took numerous items from Polo and H&M over a two-day period that totaled over \$7,000.00. Surveillance photos were obtained from security cameras and displayed on the department's Facebook page. Numerous tips were received identifying three of the suspects. After phone contact was made with the suspects, they all turned themselves into officers for the theft.

LARCENY

In November, Officers responded to the Polo Ralph Lauren store at 18521 Outlet Blvd. for a report of suspicious activity. Investigation lead to the arrest of two suspects who were in possession of more than \$7,000 in stolen merchandise. The merchandise was recovered for the store.

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	661	Self-Initiated	1112	
	Reports			
Crime/Incident Reports	60	Alarms	93	
Open Door	6	Open Garage Doors	279	
	Crash	Reports		
Injury	1	Non-Injury	20	
	Traffic Enforcement			
Moving	205	Non-Moving	61	
Warnings	229	Parking Violations	1	
Total (Tickets &	Total (Tickets & Warnings) 499			
Arrests				
Felony	2	Misdemeanor	1	
Fugitive	2	Summons Issued	8	

- ⇒ The City of Clarkson Valley participated in DEA National Prescription Drug Take Back events in April and October.
- ⇒ At the Tuesday, June 1st, 2021 meeting of the Clarkson Valley City Council, Mayor Scott Douglass honored the six members of the Chesterfield Police Department's Clarkson Valley Police Unit. For the past four years, the City of Clarkson Valley has contracted with the City of Chesterfield to designate six permanent police officers who provide 24/7 police protection to the Clarkson Valley Community. Each of these officers were presented with The Clarkson Valley "Mayor's Award of Excellence."



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	768
Follow-Up Phone Call	78
Cases Cleared	85
Arrests	32
Summons Issued	19
Warrants Issued	54
Family Court Referrals	128
Recovered Property	\$1,148,437
Initial Background Interview Reports Completed	36
Comprehensive Background Interview Reports Completed	31
Major Case Squad Callouts	11

BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

ROBBERY

On January 29th at 5:25am, a cashier at a local gas station reported she was approached by a masked male on the parking lot. The suspect said he had a knife and forced her to go inside and open the safe. He stole a large amount of cash and was last seen running from the area. Detectives interviewed the clerk and retraced her morning route. Detectives quickly identified the suspect who was the boyfriend of the clerk. He made a full confession and claimed the clerk wasn't involved and had no knowledge of the incident. The suspect was a 24-year-old Hazelwood resident. A majority of the cash was recovered. A warrant was obtained for Robbery 1st Degree and bond was set at \$100,000.

HARASSMENT

In April, a Detective arrested a 23-year-old St. Louis City resident for cyber harassment. The suspect created a fictitious Craigslist post asking for a roommate with the victim's phone number attached. The suspect also spray painted the victim's vehicle with vulgar words.

STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLES RECOVERED

In May, the Detective Bureau investigated three stolen auto reports in which all three cars were recovered, resulting in over \$137,000 in property recovered.

RECOVERED PROPERTY

In June, the Detective Bureau, in coordination with other agencies, recovered a majority of the items stolen in multiple vehicle break-ins reported in May. Several credit cards, wallets and other items were returned to the victims and the suspect was entered as wanted by this Department, as well as other area law enforcement agencies.

STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLES RECOVERED

In September, Detectives assisted in the recovery of 4 stolen vehicles. The recovered value was over \$110,000.

ARSON

In October, a suspect lit a gas can on fire and set it at his ex-girlfriend's front door on Coliseum Drive. A detective identified and arrested the suspect for Arson.

ORGANIZED THEFT

In November, Detectives arrested and interviewed the last suspect in a theft ring responsible for stealing cellphones from T-Mobil stores across the St. Louis area. In all, the ring stole over \$100,000 worth of cell phones.

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	2	Court Security dates	13
Car Sear Installations	35	City Council Security dates	8
Community events, presentations and meetings		5	2

Department Social Media		
Annual Total Facebook Posts	188	
Number Reached (Facebook)	1,900,985	
Annual Total Tweets	132	
Number of Tweet Impressions	250,064	
All other social media posts	34	

Officers form the Police Community Relations Unit completed the following work during 2021:

- ⇒ One Officer taught a five day Defensive Tactics Instructor Course and Defensive Tactics Recertification Training at St. Louis Municipal Police Academy
- ⇒ The Unit held in-person Safety Town in June and July which was very well attended.
- ⇒ Officers continued to reach out to local groups and present safety and emergency services to them virtually and in-person.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers continued to raise awareness around Lock It or Lose It
- ⇒ DEA Drug Take Back Events held in April and October collected a total of 460.2 pounds of unwanted/unused prescription medications.
- ⇒ Officers celebrated National Night Out on October 5th with multiple local subdivisions
- ⇒ The Department's No-Shave November event was again a great success and raised over \$4,800, with the generous help of Window World St. Louis, to donate to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital



SPECIAL EVENTS





On March 5th, Officer Kaatmann rode to school with his students from Highcroft Elementary School.



In April and October the CPD participated in the DEA National Prescription Drug Take Backs. A total of 460.2 pounds of unwanted/unused medication was collected and incinerated.

CPD Officers helped a couple in need by shoveling their driveway in February.



On March 21st, Sgt. Powell awarded Mr. Franklin Williams and his wife, Mrs. Jennifer Williams the "Citizen Service Award" for their assistance to the CPD in an investigation of an attempted murder.



SPECIAL EVENTS

The Department's Safety Town program was once again held live in the months of June and July. Safety Town is a program that teaches 4-6 year-olds how to be safe and was very well attended.





It was great stopping by and meeting our neighbors on October 5th for National Night Out.

On August 21st, we held the Ed Nestor Memorial Backstoppalooza concert to benefit Backstoppers. The sold out crowd enjoyed the Dragon's Drum and Bugle Corp followed by the headliner "Billy the Kid" (Billy Joel cover band). We are happy to announce that we raised a total of \$53,000 in 2021 from the Ed Nestor Memorial Backstoppalooza Concert to benefit Backstoppers. That brings our total since starting the fundraiser to over \$400,000. Thank you to all our sponsors and individuals who donated on our fundraising page, bought t-shirts and sent any support to 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	49	
Hours of Classroom Instruction and Presentation	245	
School Events Attended	56	
Meetings Attended with Admin. And Staff	47	

Our Parkway and Rockwood School Districts 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. Our SRO's continue building positive, long-lasting relationships with their students.

Our Elementary School Resource Officers (ESROs) were reassigned to the Patrol Division for much of the year due to manpower shortages. They look forward to returning to our area elementary schools soon.

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 Paubel	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	530
Letters Sent	399
Abated	301
Cases Forwarded to Court	8
No Violation	94
Hearings	7
Summons Issued	11
Community Inquiries	236





Code Enforcement Inspector investigating a retaining wall from a request for action filed by a resident.

Code Enforcement Inspector investigates a citizen complaint regarding a public nuisance violation.

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	1365		
Items of Evidence Logged	2895		
Bonds Processed	112 totaling \$32,534		
Including Bonds Processed for Other Agencies	24	24 totaling \$6,511	
Police Reports Released	1,579		
Telephone Calls Received	33,772		

- ⇒ The Evidence Officer conducted a Court Ordered drug disposal at Veolia Environmental Services on February 26th. 171 narcotics related items totaling 22 pounds and 149.5 pounds of Prescription Drug Take Back medications from the lobby drop box were transported and destroyed.
- ⇒ During February, other miscellaneous evidence listed on a court order was also disposed of using proper protocol.
- \Rightarrow An unannounced evidence inspection was completed in July.
- ⇒ In July, the Evidence Officer received a signed Municipal Court Order for the disposal of miscellaneous items and another order for the destruction of Firearms.
- ⇒ On November 30th a CALEA inspection was conducted of the Evidence Room on the inventory of 100 random items. All items were accounted for.



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	2,108
Hours of Academy Sponsored Training	1,032
Hours of Other Training	978
Hours of Police Legal Science online computer training	1,261

TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

- ⇒ Officers conducted outdoor firearms training and physical agility testing at the Department's firearm range. Officers also received training in Use of Force and De-Escalation.
- ⇒ In-service training included classroom instruction on CPR, Defensive Tactics, Taser, Pepper Spray, Felony Car Stops, the Special Enforcement Unit, Officer Resiliency and Haz-Mat.
- ⇒ In April, one Traffic Enforcement Officer attended an extensive 80 hour advanced crash investigation course at the Missouri Highway Patrol Academy.
- ⇒ Twelve Officers participated in Special Response Team Training in April. This enhanced firearms training was held outside of our jurisdiction at a specialized non-profit training facility designed for police and military personnel.
- ⇒ On Traffic Enforcement Officer attended Accident Reconstruction School at the Missouri State Highway Academy in August.



INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND COMPLAINT INFORMATION

INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND COMPLAINT INVESTIGATIONS 2019-2021

External	2019	2020	2021
Citizen Complaint	1	0	1
Sustained	1	0	1
Not Sustained	0	0	0
Unfounded	0	0	0
Exonerated	0	0	0
Awards/Commendations	6	0	0
Internal	2019	2020	2021
Directed Complaint	4	1	5
Sustained	4	0	5
Not Sustained	0	0	0
Unfounded	0	1	0
Exonerated	0	0	0
Awards/Commendations	10	5	14

DISCIPLINARY ACTION ADMINISTERED DURING 2021:

Terminations	0	Letters of Reprimand	1
Suspensions	2	Supervisory Counseling	1



Officer Joseph Brewer was sworn in on January 19th.

Officer Domenic Hoffmeister was sworn in on February 1st.





Records Clerk, Marlene Jennings celebrated 30 years with our Department. Since 1991, Marlene has been performing the vital tasks required to keep our department running efficiently and effectively. She is the person others look to for guidance and has always been there without hesitation for "her" Officers.

Officer Darrell Dunn was sworn in on March 22nd.





Officer Austin Ramsey was sworn in on April 5th..

Officer Tony Spratt was recognized for 35 years of service. He began his career in 1986 as an Officer with the Cape Girardeau Police Department and came to us not long after. Officer Spratt has worked many duties throughout his career including that as an Instructor at the St Louis County and Municipal Police Academy and is currently the training coordinator for our department.





Officer Alida Hindeman was sworn in on June 28th.

On July 2nd, Sergeant Teresa Koebbe was promoted to Lieutenant and Police Officer Mike Ryffel was promoted to Sergeant.





Officer Zachary Hertzog was sworn in on August 24th.



Officer Zak Kennemer was sworn in on September 20th.

Officer Stephen Gorczyca was sworn in on September 21st.



On October 11th we celebrated 5 promotions. Sergeants Keith Rider and Tim Deckard were both promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Police Officers Tim Turntine, Don Schlemmer and David Krumm were all promoted to the rank of Sergeant.



On November 22nd, Officers Ryan Wood, Brendan Griffin, Shelby Trivette and Connor Maedge were sworn in.



On December 13th, Officer Cody DeBisschop was sworn in.



On December 30th, Officers James Dammrich and Austin Lowe were named this Department's newest Field Training Instructors.





On June 30th, Lieutenant Denny Hufford retired from our department after a forty-eight-year career in law enforcement. Lt. Hufford was a charter member of the Chesterfield Police Department. In fact, he was a member of the Agency's Formation Team in 1989. Denny was instrumental in procuring and developing our Firearms Range and he developed our first Police Bicycle Unit. In addition to serving as a Watch Commander, Denny commanded the Traffic Division, and the Division of Criminal Investigation. He organized and commanded the Metropolitan Enforcement Group (MEG) which was formed to combat narcotics violations throughout the Greater St. Louis Area. Denny received his retirement credentials along with a Retirement Commendation that overviews his long and storied career. It is with grateful appreciation that we wish Lt. Hufford all the best as he begins his much-deserved retirement.



On September 2nd, our department bid farewell to Captain Mike Thompson. Captain Thompson retired after 29 years of service in law enforcement -all with the City of Chesterfield.

We have been graced by his knowledge, dedication, compassion, and leadership. He has guided our department with positivity, and professionalism – never wavering from our department's mission in his actions. His influence spans throughout.

Captain Thompson served in many capacities during his tenure at Chesterfield PD ranging from Patrol Officer to Detective to Patrol Supervisor to the Detective Bureau Supervisor where he was promoted to Lieutenant. Mike then became the Commander of the Bureau of Traffic and Special Operations. He was promoted to Captain in 2017.

Captain Thompson was a dedicated member of this department and he will be missed.



On September 3rd, after a career spanning parts of 6 decades (1977-2021), Officer Kim Beckmann has retired from law enforcement. Officer Beckmann began his career in 1977 as a reserve Officer with Uplands Park PD. He then worked in Berkley PD from 1978 – 1982. After taking a break from law enforcement he was one of the original hires with the Chesterfield Police Department in 1988 and has been here ever since.

We wish nothing but the best for Kim in his retirement. We lost a little piece of the heart of Chesterfield with this guy and will miss him greatly.





On September 29th, Sergeant Steve Rainey retired from law enforcement. Beginning his career in law enforcement in 1976, Sergeant Rainey served with the St Louis County Police Department, the Reno Nevada Police Department, the Florissant Police Department, and was one of the originals of the Chesterfield Police Department.

During his long career, Sgt Rainey has worked in or supervised all but one of our department's many bureaus and units. He was the Traffic Division supervisor at the time of his retirement.

He has always been looked upon as a great leader, organizer, and an honest, decent man. Everything he did, he did so with his Officers and the citizens of Chesterfield in mind. Sergeant Rainey has been a pillar of the Chesterfield Police Department and will be sorely missed.

We wish nothing but the best to Sergeant Steve Rainey in his next phase of life!



On December 30th, we celebrated the retirement of Officer Mark Caswell. Officer Caswell dedicated 44 years of his life to this great profession. Throughout Officer Caswell's Law Enforcement career, he served in many capacities, but what stands out is the fact that he is one of the ORIGINAL Chesterfield Police Officers!!! Officer Caswell came to Chesterfield when the department was formed in May 1989! Good luck Officer Caswell!!!





On March 1st, several of our officers received awards for their heroic and lifesaving actions during a horrific car accident which occurred on 09/23/2020. For their actions, these Officers received the following awards:

Officer Andrew Mattaline – The Distinguished Service Citation for Valor
Officer Devin Kitrel - The Distinguished Service Citation for Valor
Officer Ryan Broeker - The Distinguished Service Citation for Valor
Officer Zachary "Ty" Seeger – The Chief's Commendation award
Officer Matthew Niemeier - The Chief's Commendation award
Sergeant Teresa Koebbe - The Chief's Commendation award



For the same event, these officers were also awarded the Back The Blue award from Missouri Attorney General Eric Schmitt on 03/19/2021. On September 2, Chesterfield Police Officers Andrew Mattaline, Ryan Broeker, and former Chesterfield Police Officer Devin Kitrel received the Governor's Medal of Valor from Governor Mike Parson.



At the Tuesday, June 1st, 2021 meeting of the Clarkson Valley City Council, Mayor Scott Douglass honored the six members of the Chesterfield Police Department's Clarkson Valley Police Unit. For the past four years, the City of Clarkson Valley has contracted with the City of Chesterfield to designate six permanent police officers who provide 24/7 police protection to the Clarkson Valley Community. Each of these officers were presented with The Clarkson Valley "Mayor's Award of Excellence." The Award was conferred for their continuous & noble service throughout the past year. On behalf of the City Council, Mayor Douglass expressed his appreciation for the manner in which each officer consistently dedicated themselves to noble service. The Award read in part; "We, as private citizens have hunkered down and weathered the storm, often from the comfort of our homes. During that same time period, you have remained at the ready, demonstrating bravery as you seamlessly and selflessly provided continuous services to our residents in spite of the constant threats associated with the COVID-19 Pandemic." Congratulations to these fine officers!





On November 3rd, Officer Chris Kaatmann was the recipient of the City of Chesterfield "Employee Recognition Award". He was presented this award due to his selfless service to the community; specifically to the students and families he interacts with on a daily basis as an Elementary School Resource Officer.

Chief of Police Ray Johnson ordered Officer Lantz be awarded the Department's "Certificate of Recognition" on November 12th due to his excellent performance during the below call for service.

On September 3rd of this year, Police Officer Todd Lantz was assisting with an investigation wherein an individual had shot his girlfriend in the face. During the initial phase of the investigation, the suspect called the girlfriend's phone. Officer Lantz immediately answered the phone and encountered an emotionally distraught caller. Within the first few moments of the call, the suspect informed Officer Lantz that he was on Highway 270 and intended to end his life because of what he had done.

Officer Lantz remained on the phone with the suspect for more than one hour. Throughout that hour, Officer Lantz established a rapport with the suspect and gently gained his confidence. Officer Lantz was able to convince him to return to the west county area. Upon Lantz' prompting, the suspect admitted that he had thrown the gun into a pond. At this point the suspect was becoming quite lethargic as if he had taken some sort of drug.

While other investigating officers were attempting to ping the phone, Officer Lantz was able to obtain an approximate location of Highway 40 at 141 from the suspect. The Town & Country Police Department was notified and in short order, was able to locate the suspect vehicle. As they were attempting to stop the car, Officer Lantz could hear sirens and directed the suspect to pull over and follow all commands as given by the officers. He did so and was taken into custody without incident. Officer Lantz' ability to establish a strong rapport and to empathize with the suicidal suspect were instrumental in resolving this matter without self-harm to the suspect.



Due to the exemplary performance of duty, which significantly contributed to the preservation of life, the Chief of Police awarded Officer Michael Clymer, the Chesterfield Police Department "Life Saving Award" on December 21st.

Earlier this year, Officer Michael Clymer responded to a call for a possible drug overdose. Upon arrival, Officer Clymer immediately assessed the male and discovered that his breathing was shallow, and continued to slow. Officer Clymer started Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation and then administered a dose of Narcan. The male was not responding, so Officer Clymer continued with chest compressions until Paramedics arrived. The male later regained consciousness and was transported for treatment. It was later determined that the male had indeed overdosed on a cocktail of drugs.

