



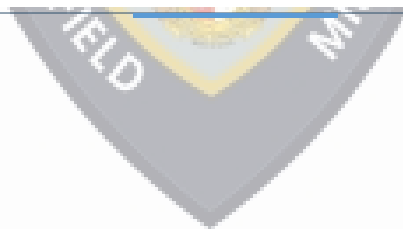
CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

2023 ANNUAL REPORT





The following report represents the work performed by the
Chesterfield Police Department in 2023.



DEPARTMENT WIDE STATISTICS

Events	Yearly Totals
Radio Assignments	58,032
CARE Reports	2,593
Custodial Arrests	1,119
Summons Issued in Lieu of Arrest	388
DWI	99
Traffic Citations	5,698
Warnings	5,547
Total Crashes	1,212
Fatality Crashes	1
Injury Crashes	271
Property Damage Crashes	928
Citizen Fingerprints	259

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	2023
	Vehicle Collisions	36
	Other/Animal Destruction	11
	Carcass Tags	3
	Total	50
	Total Deer Harvested	60

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	28,373
Self-Initiated	16,747
Open Door Reports	170
Open Garage Door Notifications	2,049
Crime Scene Supplements Entered	366
Field Interview Reports Entered	146



BUREAU OF UNIFORMED PATROL

BURGLARY 2ND

Finger Lake Drive- On 2/9/2023 officers responded to a call for a Burglary in progress. The victims, who were not at home, called in the burglary, as they were alerted by their camera system. The suspects gained entry after breaking the rear glass door. The victim gave a description of the vehicle that the suspects left in and a responding officer spotted it and attempted to stop it. The occupants jumped out of the vehicle, allowing it to continue into a wooded area off of Conway Rd. There were four suspects that ran into the woods. Officers pursued on foot and were able to take one suspect into custody. A perimeter was set up around the area and assistance in the form of two K-9s and the County Helicopter were used. Assistance was also provided by the police departments of Town and Country, Ellisville and St. Louis County. No other suspects were located. The suspect who was taken into custody is a 41-year-old Columbian national. Warrants were obtained for Burglary 2nd Degree and Stealing Over. His Bond was set at \$50,000.

TAMPERING

Long Road Crossing – On 7/19/2023 a suspect was observed via surveillance cameras on the lot of Jim Butler Kia, wearing a mask and hoodie, attempting to break into vehicles. Officers responded and engaged in a foot pursuit with the suspect, who was apprehended. He was in possession of a Glock-style BB gun, screw drivers, and an iPhone USB charger. Damage was found to two Kia vehicles, consistent with an attempt to steal. The suspect was a juvenile (15) from St. Louis City and was processed and conveyed to St. Louis County Juvenile Intake. There he was screened as sufficient for detention. His girlfriend, also a juvenile (15), later responded looking for him. She was taken into custody and released to a parent at the police station.

VEHICLE HIJACKING/ ARMED CRIMINAL ACTION

17027 North Outer 40- Main Event- On 6/3/2023 an employee at Main Event on North Outer 40 went out to his vehicle. An unknown black male, wearing a ski mask, displayed a firearm and demanded his vehicle. The employee did not resist and backed away. The vehicle was last seen leaving the parking lot. The vehicle was located by a St. Charles County Police Officer who ran the plate while the vehicle was parked on the lot of a convenience store. The driver was taken into custody after a brief foot chase. He was in possession of a firearm. Chesterfield detectives took custody of the suspect who was identified as a 25-year-old from St. Louis. A full confession was obtained. Warrants were obtained for Vehicle Hijacking and Armed Criminal Action. Bond was set at \$150,000.

BUREAU OF UNIFORMED PATROL

HOMICIDE

On 5/17/2023 officers responded to a road rage incident on the lot of the Four Seasons Dierberg's that led to a physical encounter between two subjects. On scene investigation indicated the subsequent victim (male, age 73, Chesterfield resident) to have been the primary aggressor. The incident ended with the suspect (male, age 46, Cottleville resident) striking the victim who then fell and struck his head on a concrete curb. EMS responded and transported the victim to Mercy, however he subsequently died of his injuries.

BURGLARY 1ST/MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT/ STEALING

15000 Block of Islevew Dr- On 10/11/2023 Officers contacted the victim in reference to his vehicle being stolen from inside his garage. He further reported his credit cards were used to make purchases, one of which was in Kentucky. The vehicle was entered as stolen and was subsequently located in Georgia. An 18-year-old Chesterfield resident with a long history of stealing vehicles was arrested for driving the vehicle. At large warrants for Burglary 1st, Motor Vehicle Theft, and Stealing were obtained. Bond was set at \$75,000.

TAMPERING 1ST/FELONY POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY

Tara Oaks- On 9/8/2023 Officers responded to the 900 block of Tara Oaks at 4:50am for a report of a suspicious individual who was unloading items from one car to another. They observed both vehicles parked near the cul-de-sac. A 42-year-old Springfield resident was found hiding behind a wall at a nearby residence and was taken into custody. Video from the homeowner showed the suspect arrived in the first vehicle, which was stolen from Jefferson County. He parked and began walking through the neighborhood trying to open car door handles. He returned an hour later with the second vehicle which he had just stolen from a nearby neighborhood. The vehicle contained numerous items which were believed to be stolen. The suspect has an extensive criminal history and is currently on probation/parole for stealing motor vehicles (Tampering). Officers contacted his parole officer who placed a detainer on him. Warrants were obtained by our officer for the charge of Tampering 1st with a \$100,000 bond. St. Louis County PD is also getting the charge of Stealing a Motor Vehicle issued for the second stolen auto found with the suspect.

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.

Traffic Enforcement Officers conducted traffic control throughout the year for several events. The Traffic Unit provided traffic control for:

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- ⇒ The fourth of July event at the Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex (CVAC).
- ⇒ The Chamber of Commerce's Concert in the Park series at Faust Park.
- ⇒ The Chamber of Commerce Blossom Bolt in Spring and Pumpkin Run in the Fall.
- ⇒ Some members of the Bureau of Traffic and Special Enforcement were assigned to assist with the Pedal the Cause charity bike ride which spanned two days over a weekend in September.
- ⇒ The Chabad of Chesterfield's Menorah Car Parade.
- ⇒ The Bureau of Traffic also assisted the Special Enforcement Unit with Turkey Trot at Central Park.

The Traffic Division instructed the entire block of traffic related training to a recruit class at the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy which consisted of over 80 hours of instruction.

Two members of the Traffic Division attended the annual Law Enforcement Traffic Safety Advisory Conference this month. This week-long conference gives our department important updates on case law and technology to help our department function more efficiently and serve our citizens with a higher level of professionalism.

The Traffic Division oversaw a conversion from Mobile Ticketing Legacy computer application to a new version integrated into REJIS LeWEB. The traffic division prepared a roll call training and presented the training to all squads and divisions of the police department utilizing MOBILE Ticketing.

Two members of the Bureau of Traffic provided roll call training for the new CAD system to four rotations of officers from two squads of the Bureau of Uniformed Patrol.

RECONSTRUCTIONS

- The Traffic Unit investigated a two-vehicle crash on Clayton Road at the exit from Walgreen's near Hatteras Drive on January 10th, at 1836 hrs. A driver in one vehicle was transported to the hospital by paramedics, but suffered life terminating injuries as a result of the crash. An investigation determined the probable contributing circumstance leading to the crash was the failure to yield of the driver of the vehicle who suffered life-terminating injuries.

TOP CRASH/ TICKET INTERSECTIONS

TOP CRASH LOCATIONS

Total Clarkson/Olive Corridor	178
Total I-64 Accidents	169
Baxter Road	53
Chesterfield Airport Road	51
Clayton Road	42
MO 141	32

TOP TICKET LOCATIONS

I-64	2,102
MO 340 (Olive/Clarkson)	1,437
Chesterfield Airport Road	548
MO 141	537
Baxter Road	276
Chesterfield Parkway	184



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
33	2,013	356	953:43 hrs.	465	691

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	145	Arrests	220
Property Recovered	\$244,376.03	Felony Charges	150
Park Patrol Hours	1077:35	Misdemeanor Charges	178

FELONY THEFT

Market by Macy's 154 THF Blvd. – Male suspect was observed loading up a shopping cart with \$1,763.00 in clothing and exiting the store. A store manager from Best Buy was sitting in her car in the parking lot and began following the suspect because she felt he was acting suspicious. She followed the suspect until officers arrived and took the suspect into custody. The suspect was interviewed and admitted to taking the merchandise in exchange for fentanyl. All of the stolen merchandise was recovered and returned to Macy's.

FELONY THEFT

A known suspect who has an extensive theft history, to include numerous incidents in Chesterfield, was identified as the suspect in this case with a theft of approximately \$3,200 in merchandise. Further investigation determined that the same suspect was involved in numerous thefts throughout St. Louis County. The suspect was arrested in Fenton after attempting to elude officers. A warrant was issued for the suspect with a bond of \$50,000.

FRAUD, STOLEN VEHICLE

SEU officers were called to investigate a fraud at Echo Park (a used-car lot) near Premium Outlet. Investigation determined that several subjects had either successfully or attempted to purchase vehicles using stolen pedigree and credit information. Officers found that three vehicles had been purchased this way from our location and that a fourth had been purchased fraudulently from a location in Hazelwood. Officers arrested one subject who gave pertinent information that helped to identify numerous subjects that are actively involved in this incident and several others. As of this report, all of the stolen vehicles have been recovered.

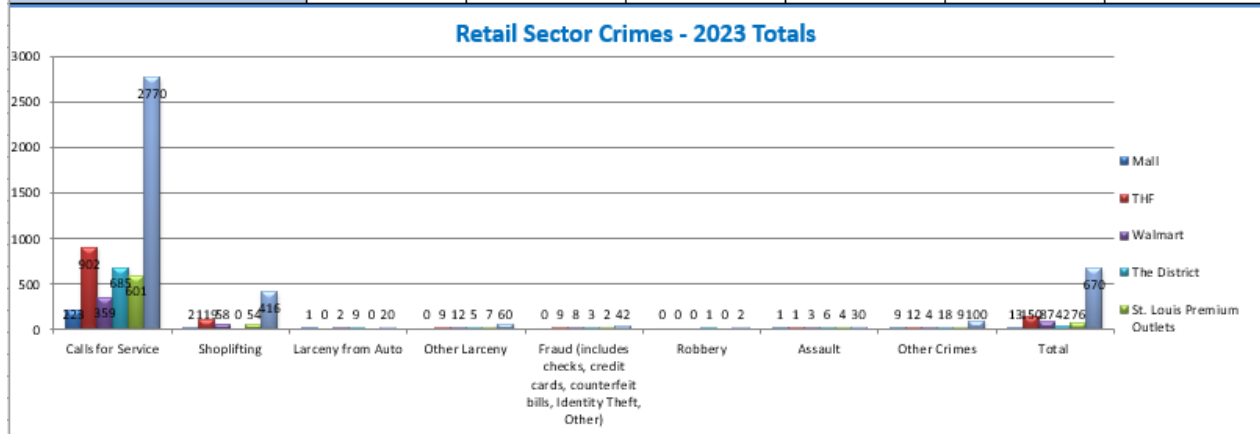
SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

FRAUDULENT USE OF A CREDIT DEVICE

SEU officers were advised of a theft from an unlocked vehicle that was parked at the Rivers Edge wherein credit cards were taken from the victims' purse. Officers were able to determine that the same suspect was involved in two other cases. Investigation determined where the suspect had been using the stolen cards and gift cards that he had purchased fraudulently and at what hotel he was staying. Officers responded to the hotel and arrested the suspect. He was charged and prosecutors issued a warrant for the suspect.

RETAIL SECTOR CRIME SUMMARY

Annual Totals	Mall	THF	Walmart	The District	St. Louis Premium Outlets	Totals
Calls for Service	223	902	359	685	601	2770
Shoplifting	2	119	58	0	54	416
Larceny from Auto	1	0	2	9	0	20
Other Larceny	0	9	12	5	7	60
Fraud (includes checks, credit cards, counterfeit bills, Identity)	0	9	8	3	2	42
Robbery	0	0	0	1	0	2
Assault	1	1	3	6	4	30
Other Crimes	9	12	4	18	9	100
Total	13	150	87	42	76	670



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/Self-Initiated	1,642		
Reports			
Crime/Incident Reports	66	Alarms	165
Open Door	9	Open Garage Doors	219
Crash Reports			
Injury	6	Non-Injury	24
Traffic Enforcement			
Moving	222	Non-Moving	62
Warnings	344	Parking Violations	7
Total (Tickets & Warnings)		635	
Arrests			
Felony	3	Misdemeanor	3
Fugitive	0	Summons Issued	0



Officer Pollman leading a Halloween Parade in Clarkson Valley.

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. The Bureau of Criminal Investigations also houses the Crime Suppression Unit which is responsible for the investigation and suppression of varying crime trends.

Active Cases Assigned	430
Verbal Letter Cases	199
Cases Cleared	113
Arrests	80
Summons Issued	14
Warrants Issued	81
Family Court Referrals	68
Recovered Property	\$1,056,741.00
Initial Background Interviews	3
Background Investigations	17
Major Case Call-Outs	15
Assist Other Unit	275
Department of Family Services Referrals	24
Field Incident Report (FIR)	8
Traffic Contacts	1,176
Self Initiated	169
Failure to Yields	15

BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

BURGLARY 1ST/ STEALING A MOTOR VEHICLE/ STEALING A CREDIT DEVICE

A well-known subject – now an adult – burglarized a residence and stole a vehicle. He was apprehended in Georgia. At-large warrants were issued for Burglary 1st, Stealing a Motor Vehicle, and Stealing a Credit Device with a \$75,000 cash only bond.

FORGERY

A subject was arrested for forging timecards submitted to her employer. This incident was referred to the Secret Service for federal charges due to amount being in excess of \$106,000.

BURGLARY

An online shop's warehouse, located at the Chesterfield Mall, was burglarized on two separate occasions. The investigation revealed a member of the mall's janitorial staff was responsible for the theft. The stolen merchandise was posted to the OfferUp website. The detective prepared legal documentation for a profile on OfferUp which was linked to my suspect. The suspect was arrested and provided a confession and consent to search the residence. A search warrant was also obtained on the residence. During the search of the residence, 430 stolen items were recovered, totaling \$14,262.00. Warrants for burglary were issued.

ROBBERY

After perusing other banks, suspect successfully completed a robbery via threatening note at Regions Bank. The Flock Camera System was used to identify the vehicle and develop a suspect. Search and arrest warrants were obtained. Suspect was taken into custody in Florida.

MAJOR CASE SQUAD INVESTIGATION

A Chesterfield Detective assisted the Major Case Squad when it was activated for the third time in reference to a torso found in Warren County in 2004. The callout was a joint investigation with the FBI, St. Louis County, Warren County, St. Charles County, and Madison County. Investigation revealed the victim was murdered in St. Ann MO. The suspect admitted to the murder and the dismemberment.

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	8	Court Security dates	31
Car Seat Installations	82	City Council Security	43
Community events, presentations and meetings		88	

Department Social Media	
Annual Total Facebook Posts	158
Number Reached (Facebook)	740,250
Annual Total Tweets	10
Number of Tweet Impressions	8,340
All other social media posts	31

Officers from the Police Community Relations Unit completed the following work during 2023:

- ⇒ 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 crime prevention topics 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 320.2 pounds of unwanted/unused prescription medications.
- ⇒ Officers celebrated National Night Out on August 1st with multiple local subdivisions taking part.
- ⇒ The Department's No-Shave November event was again a great success and raised over \$4,555 which will be matched by Window World for a total of \$9,110. The proceeds this year were donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The West County Citizen Police Academy is a citizen involved activity designed by the Chesterfield, Creve Coeur, Des Peres, Ladue, Frontenac, Olivette and Town and Country Police Departments.

It's a unique opportunity to educate the public about the criminal justice system and provide insight into everyday police work. The curriculum includes; Constitutional Law, Criminal Law, Use of Force, Criminal Investigations, Traffic Enforcement, DWI Investigations, Police Weaponry and Weapons Safety.

The course is nine weeks long and conclude with a graduation ceremony!! Several members of the Chesterfield Volunteer in Policing Program (pictured) are now graduates!!!



SPECIAL EVENTS



Community Affairs Officer Meyer leading a station tour for the Ascension 3rd grade Cub Scouts.

ESRO Putnam with some of her students on School Resource Officer Day in February.



Community Affairs Officer Clymer conducting a Child Safety Seat Check Up at KinderCare in March.



Members of the Chesterfield Police Department's Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) attended the CIT conference in Columbia, MO on March 20-21.



SPECIAL EVENTS



On March 6th, 2023, the Ed Nestor Memorial Backstoppalooza Concert, members of the Organizational Committee and other Principal Partners presented a check to Backstoppers, Executive Director, Chief Ron Battelle in the amount of \$88,000.00.

Community Affairs Officers Meyer and Clymer visiting with the Easter Bunny at the Egg-Stravaganza Event held at the Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex (CVAC) in March.



Community Affairs Officer Meyer teaching kids how to fish at the Cops and Bobbers event at Central Park's lake.

SPECIAL EVENTS

In June and July the Chesterfield Police Department held its Safety Town Program. The program is a highlight for the year with our officers and students.



Community Affairs Sergeant Powell at the Summer Blast in August. We had hot dogs, chips, popsicles and fun!



SPECIAL EVENTS

The Community Affairs Unit participated in the Torch Run T-Shirt Sale event at the Hilltown Village Schnucks location. They raised \$2,489.91 over a weekend for Special Olympics Missouri.



National Night Out was well attended by Chesterfield/Clarkson Valley neighborhoods in August.



The ESROs held several "Pops with Cops" events at area elementary schools at the beginning of the school year, with an assist from the Community Affairs Unit.



SPECIAL EVENTS

Community Affairs and the Volunteers In Police Service at the City's Candy Cane Hunt.



BACKSTOPPALOOZA

On August 26 the Chesterfield Police Department held its annual Backstoppers benefit concert Backstoppalooza. The concert was held at the Chesterfield Amphitheater. The opener was CPD's Tyler Lewis and the headliner was Big Love: Tribute to Fleetwood Mac. A great time was had by all.



BACKSTOPPALOOZA Continued



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 eight 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 two 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	2,285.5
Hours of Classroom Instruction and Presentation	121
School Events Attended	188
Meetings Attended with Admin. And Staff	210

Our Parkway and Rockwood School Districts SROs continued to provide a valuable resource to their school communities. SROs 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 SROs continue building positive, long-lasting relationships with their students.

Our Elementary School Resource Officers (ESROs) were valuable resource to our elementary and private schools again this year. They provided similar functions as the SROs listed above for the multiple schools each are assigned.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER ASSIGNMENTS

School	Assigned SRO	School	Assigned SRO
Parkway Central High School	Officer Kaatmann	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 Putnam	Logan University	Officer Saavedra
Ascension School	Officer Putnam	River Bend Elementary	Officer Saavedra
Barat Academy	Officer Putnam	Highcroft Ridge Elementary	Officer Saavedra
Chesterfield Elementary	Officer Putnam	Incarnate Word School	Officer Saavedra
The Fulton School	Officer Putnam	Green Trails Elementary	Officer Saavedra
Kehrs Mill Elementary	Officer Putnam	Montessori Academy	Officer Saavedra
Logan University	Officer Putnam	Shenandoah Valley Elementary	Officer Saavedra

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	747
Letters Sent	400
Abated	22
Cases Forwarded to	0
No Violation	180
Hearings	10
Summons Issued	21
Community Inquiries	996



Code violations in Chesterfield can include the exterior of a residence being kept in a state of disrepair, such as the privacy fence shown.



Code Enforcement inspection checking on a complaint of trash left in a yard which is a violation of the City's nuisance code.

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	818	
Items of Evidence Logged	2,043	
Bonds Processed	333	totaling \$91,820.50
Including Bonds Processed for Other Agencies	59	totaling \$20,879.00
Police Reports Released	1,657	
Telephone Calls Received	33,707	

- ⇒ 1,240 items of evidence were disposed by Municipal Court Order in July and August.
- ⇒ 70 items of evidence were sent to auction in September.
- ⇒ On December 28, 2023, the annual CALEA inspection was conducted of the Evidence Room on the inventory of 100 high risk items and all items were accounted for.
- ⇒ On December 14, 2023, the Annual Evidence Audit was conducted and 200 random items as well as 100 high risk items that included all money and jewelry evidence items were selected for audit. All items were accounted for.



The secure evidence storage area is audited on a regular basis.

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	2,680
Hours of Academy Sponsored Training	1,374
Hours of Other Training	912
Hours of Police Legal Science online computer training	1,393.95

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 Retirement Planning, CPR, Defensive Tactics, Taser, Pepper Spray, Officer Resiliency, Riot Control and Haz-Mat.
- ⇒ The Traffic Enforcement Unit instructed the entire block of traffic related training to a recruit class at the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy which consisted of over 80 hours of instruction.



INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND COMPLAINT INFORMATION

INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND COMPLAINT INVESTIGATIONS 2021-2023

External	2021	2022	2023
Citizen Complaint	1	2	4
Sustained	1	0	1
Not Sustained	0	0	0
Unfounded	0	2	3
Exonerated	0	0	0
Awards/Commendations	0	0	0
Internal	2021	2022	2023
Directed Complaint	5	8	2
Sustained	5	8	2
Not Sustained	0	0	0
Unfounded	0	0	0
Exonerated	0	0	0
Awards/Commendations	14	8	10

DISCIPLINARY ACTION ADMINISTERED DURING 2023:

Terminations	0	Letters of Reprimand	4
Suspensions	0	Supervisory Counseling	0

PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

Sergeant Eric Wittman was recognized on his 25th anniversary with the Chesterfield Police Department. Throughout his career, Sergeant Wittman has served in other roles, such as Detective and a Report Writer with the Major Case Squad.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

Lt. Dale Vogelpohl was recognized for 40 years of police service in the month of March. That 40 years includes the last 30 years with the Chesterfield Police Department.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

Det. Ryan Broeker received the Greater St. Louis Area Major Case Squad “Certificate of Merit” Award for his work in investigating a homicide. Det. Broeker’s knowledge and experience as an investigator, assisted in the discovery of evidence, (including the murder weapon), led to the identity of the suspect and ultimately to charges of 1st Degree Murder being issued by the St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

Three of our officers were recognized at the Heroes for Heroes Law Enforcement Recognition Event. Each year, MADD, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, honors Law Enforcement for our efforts in preventing drunk driving through prioritizing enforcement and education, and we are proud that three of our Officers were awarded for their efforts by making a combined 47 arrests for DWI. The officers honored were (L-R) Todd Lantz, Connor Maedge and Ashley Saffa



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

Mr. Howard Curtis was awarded for his 12 years of service as a member of the City of Chesterfield's Police Personnel Board.

Pictured below, L to R:
Mr. John Walters, Chairman presents a Plaque of Appreciation to Mr. Howard Curtis



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

On Tuesday May 6th, the Mayor of the City of Clarkson Valley presented "The Mayoral Commendation" to Crestview Middle School Resource Officer, Andrew Budd. Officer Budd was recognized for his swift action in saving the life of a student who was choking and unable to breathe during a lunch period in mid-May. Officer Budd administered abdominal thrusts which dislodged the obstruction and allowed the student to once again breathe normally. Congratulations to Officer Budd on a job well done.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

On August 3rd, Officers Joseph Brewer and Angela Gibbs were presented with the Life Saving Award for their heroic act on April 23rd of this year.

On that day, these officers were dispatched to a call for a possible overdose. Upon arrival, Officer Gibbs observed a man unconscious and turning blue, displaying obvious signs of agonal breathing. Officer Gibbs immediately administered one dose of Narcan which had no affect. Having the presence of mind, Officer Gibbs had another dose of Narcan with her and administered a second dose. Still no improvement and unable to locate a pulse, Officer Gibbs began chest compressions as part of the Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation protocol. Officer Gibbs continued the compressions until Officer Brewer arrived who then took over the compressions until the arrival of Paramedics.

Upon the paramedics arrival, they took over the compressions and administered intravenous Narcan, at which time the patient regained consciousness. Thanks to the early intervention and awareness of the situation, both officers helped save the individual who had indeed overdosed on an Opioid.

Based on their exemplary performance of duty which significantly contributed to the preservation of human life, Chief Ray Johnson was pleased to award Officers Brewer and Gibbs with the Chesterfield Police Department's "Life Saving Award."



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

On August 21st, Officers Joseph Brewer and John Hartman were presented with the Chief's Commendation for their heroic act on March 22nd of this year.

On March 22nd, this department received a call of a child who had been struck by a car and was pinned under the rear tire of a vehicle. It was clear to these officers that the little girl's condition was dire, she was no longer breathing and that her life was in imminent danger.

Without hesitation, both officers attempted to lift the vehicle and were successful on their second try. Officer Hartman was able to let go and pull the girl from under the tire while Officer Brewer held the car up.

Officer Hartman immediately started CPR and continued until he was relieved by paramedics. The child was treated at St. Louis Children's Hospital where she received specialized care, survived her injuries and was ultimately released. The staff at Children's Hospital explicitly stated that Officers Hartman and Brewer's actions were instrumental in saving the life of this young lady.

Based on their exemplary performance of duty which significantly contributed to the preservation of human life, Chief Ray Johnson was pleased to award Officers Brewer and Hartman with the Chief's Commendation.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Congratulations to Detective Todd Lantz and Sergeant Randy McWilliams for the outstanding work performed while investigating a bank robbery that occurred in April 2023. By utilizing various investigative resources, Detective Lantz and Sergeant McWilliams were able to identify the suspect which led to the arrest and charges being issued.

Congratulations to Detective Todd Lantz and Sergeant Randy McWilliams for their tireless work and dedication to our community.

Pictured below from left to right are Sgt. Randy McWilliams, Capt. Dan Dunn and Detective Todd Lantz.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

CHIEF'S COMMENDATION

On June 7th, Officer Trevor Keathley responded to an attempt suicide in which the call notes stated an individual had purposefully cut their wrist and was bleeding out in a parking lot. Upon his arrival, he observed the victim lying on the ground and bleeding profusely.

Even though he has only been an officer for under a year, Officer Keathley displayed the awareness and calmness of a veteran officer. After assessing the situation and making sure the scene was safe to rendered aid, he immediately administered a tourniquet to the victim and applied direct pressure, while keeping the victim's arms above his head until paramedics arrived. All while displaying care and concern for the victim and reassuring the victim they were going to live.

Thanks to Officer Keathley's calm demeanor and extreme care for the victim, he was able to save their life. For that reason, Chief Ray Johnson, awarded Officer Keathley the Chief's Commendation, an award held to high regards as it is not one given out so freely.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

On the occasion of his retirement from the Police Personnel Board, on November 7th, current Board Chairman, Kenneth Voigt presented long time Board Member & Chairman, John Walters with a plaque commemorating his twenty-five years of service as a member of the Board.

L to R: Mr. John Walters, Chief Ray Johnson, Police Board Chairman Kenneth Voigt, and Captain Cheryl Funkhouser.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

On Thursday, 11/9/2023, Chesterfield Police Lieutenant Christopher Connelly was recognized for Exceptional Leadership by the St. Louis Area Crisis Intervention Coordinating Council at their Sixteenth Annual CIT Recognition Dinner. Officers assigned to the "Crisis Intervention Team" assume a specialist role in support of persons who are experiencing a behavioral/mental health crisis. Lt. Connelly has been an ambassador for Crisis Intervention since 2003.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

On Thursday, November 9th, 2023, Chesterfield Police Officer Trevor Keathley was named an "Outstanding Crisis Intervention Team Officer" at the Sixteenth Annual Crisis Intervention Team Recognition Dinner. The Greater St. Louis Crisis Intervention Coordinating Council presented Officer Keathley with a commendation for his exceptional efforts in saving the life of a man who was experiencing a mental health crisis and who had taken critical steps to end his life. According to medical professionals, if not for the actions of Officer Keathley, the man would not have survived.

Left to right: CIT Coordinating Council Chairman St. Louis County Police Sgt. Pat Hokamp and PO Trevor Keathley.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

Upon culminating a 45 year law enforcement career, the men & women of the Chesterfield Police Department said goodbye to Sergeant David Weiss as he retired from law enforcement in May. As a School Resource Officer, Dave impacted the lives of thousands of teens from throughout the West County area. Dave constantly committed himself to the service of others.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

Officer Tom Huesgen retired from Law Enforcement in June. Tom began his Law Enforcement career in 1980 with the Kirkwood Police Department, and in 1989, Tom seized upon the opportunity to accept an appointment as a Charter Member of the newly created, City of Chesterfield Police Department, where he served for thirty-four years.

In addition to his role as a professional and a most caring Police Officer, Tom has served in a myriad of vital roles such as:

Traffic Division

Bureau of Crime Prevention/Analysis

Safety Town (developed by Tom)

School Resource Officer

Technical Service Officer



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

On Friday, September 22nd, two long time members of the Chesterfield Police Department, Lieutenants Greg Lehman and Dale Vogelpohl retired. Both of these gentlemen had an outstanding law enforcement career.

Lieutenant Greg Lehman began his career in Law Enforcement back in 1983, when he first was hired by the Sedalia, Missouri Police Department. After spending one year with the Sedalia Police, Greg shifted his way to the Webster Groves Police Department, where he would spend 5 years, until he heard of a great opportunity and decided to be one of the Charter Members of the Chesterfield Police Department, where he would spend the next 35 years of his career.

Lieutenant Dale Vogelpohl started his career off back in 1983 with the Berkley Police Department. During his time there he picked up his outstanding investigator skills and had his first appointment with the Greater St. Louis Area Major Case Squad. After serving the good people of Berkley, Dale decided to bring his talents to the Chesterfield Police Department, where he made a huge impact as well.

The friendships they established, the leadership they displayed and the years of service they gave to the community will forever be remembered and cherished.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

On September 13th, we held our promotional celebration of four new Sergeants.

Due to having a high number of retirements this year, we began our selection process for 4 new Sergeants, back in July. As long as our Officers had served at least 3 years with our department, they were able to express their interest in the position of Sergeant. Every person who submitted their name went through our extensive process, which includes an exam, an evaluation board, an in-basket exercise, and an oral board interview with our Police Personnel Board. After completing each of those tasks, the top four candidates were selected.

The newly promoted Sergeants; McGee, Ovca, McWilliams and Bromwich.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS

A promotional ceremony was held on 12/1/23 wherein Sergeants Michael Ryffel, David Krumm and John Bodi were promoted to the rank of Police Lieutenant.

L to R: Lt. John Bodi, Lt. Michael Ryffel and Lt. David Krumm at their promotional ceremony.



PERSONNEL, PROMOTIONS AND AWARDS



Police Officer Louis Bruno was sworn in on Monday, May 22nd. Officer Bruno comes to Chesterfield as an experienced officer having served the University City PD for two years.



Police Officer Jordan Schroeder was sworn in on Friday, June 23rd. Officer Schroeder recently graduated from the St. Louis County & Municipal Police Academy where he received class 207's top honors in physical fitness training.

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Samuel Rose graduated from the Police Academy and was sworn in as police officer in December.

Tanner Autry graduated from the Police Academy and was sworn in as police officer in December.

