



CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

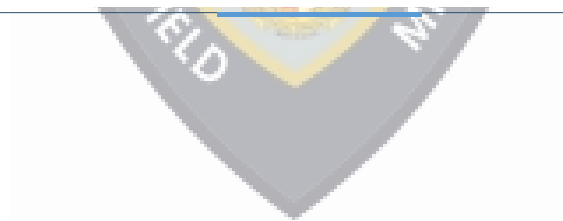
APRIL 2023 MONTHLY REPORT



Community Affairs Officers Meyer and Clymer hanging with the Easter Bunny at the Egg-Stravaganza Event held at the Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex (CVAC) this year. A very cold morning to start out the month.



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



DEPARTMENT WIDE STATISTICS

Events	Monthly Totals
Calls For Service	5,872
Incident Reports Written	222
Custodial Arrests	78
Summons Issued in Lieu of Arrest	39
DWI	10
Traffic Citations	572
Warnings	480
Total Crashes	99
Fatality Crashes	0
Injury Crashes	31
Property Damage Crashes	68

Deer Count

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.

Incident Type	April 2022	April 2023	YTD 2023
Vehicle Collisions	3	2	11
Other	1	1	4
Carcass Tags	14	0	3
Total	8	3	18

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 to be certified as Crisis Intervention Team officers, which enables them to provide acute and follow-up support to those experiencing a mental health crisis.

Calls For Service	2,359	Open Garage Door Notifications	215
Self-Initiated	1,422	Crime Scene Supplements Entered	23
Open Door Reports	18	Field Interview Reports Entered	3

BURGLARY 2ND DEGREE

On 4/6/2023 two unknown white males entered “Same Day Auto Body” at 0437 hours and stole a toolbox. While inside they also removed two key fobs. The suspects returned two hours later and stole two vehicles which were parked on the lot. Investigation is ongoing.

ASSAULT ON LAW ENFORCEMENT

On 4/11/2023 Officers responded to Clarkson near Wilson for a call of a subject dancing in the street creating a traffic hazard. The subject was contacted and found to be EDP under the influence of drugs. Officers grabbed the shoulder of the belligerent subject when he attempted to re-enter the busy roadway. He was taken to the ground when he attempted to strike an officer and he was successful in headbutting the officer in the chest. The subject was secured and taken by police to Mercy where he was released to their care.

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.

TOP CRASH LOCATIONS	
MO 340 (Clarkson/Olive)	14
I-64	11
Baxter Road	6
Private Property Accidents (City Wide)	25
Total I-64 (Ramps Included)	12

TOP TICKET LOCATIONS	
I-64 and Boones Crossing	38
MO 141 and MO 340 (Olive)	20
I-64 and Spirit of St. Louis Blvd.	17
Chesterfield Airport Rd. and Long Rd.	16
Chesterfield Airport Rd. and Boone's	15
Entire Clarkson/Olive Corridor	119
Total I-64	115

- ⇒ The Traffic Bureau provided security for ballot collection and escort for the election held on Tuesday, April 4th.
- ⇒ The Bureau of Traffic planned, organized, and staffed the 2023 Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce Blossom Bolt 5k/10k run on Edison Ave. and surrounding roads near the Spirit of St. Louis Airport.
- ⇒ Chesterfield Traffic Officers instructed the current class of recruits on crash investigation/LETS for a total of 20 hours during the month of April.
- ⇒ P.O. Saffa attended the two-week Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) School during the month of April and graduated with a 94% putting her in an elite field of highly trained DWI investigators.
- ⇒ Two traffic enforcement officers participated in the Regional "420" Traffic Enforcement Campaign.

Priority Street Enforcement Activity

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
18	154	30	67.30 hrs.	43	50

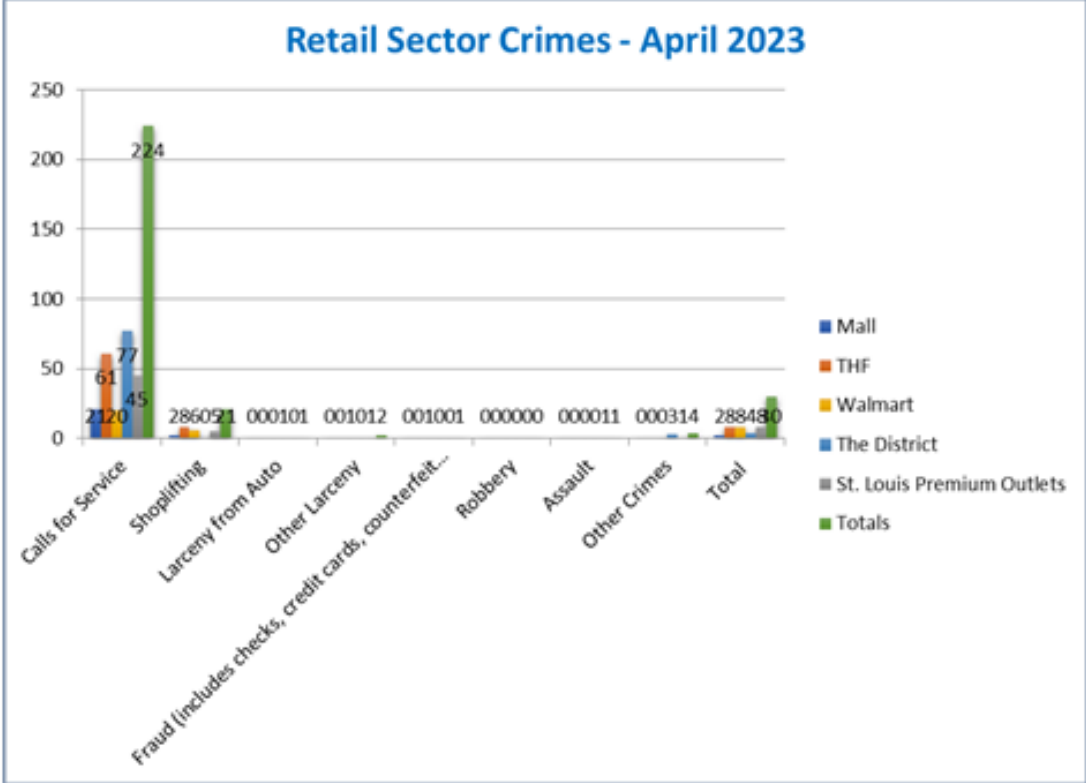
SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

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	20
Property Recovered	\$15,790.68
Park Patrol Hours	157:05

Arrests	15
Felony Charges	15
Misdemeanor Charges	12

Apr-23	Mall	THF	Walmart	The District	St. Louis Premium Outlets	Totals
Calls for Service	21	61	20	77	45	224
Shoplifting	2	8	6	0	5	21
Larceny from Auto	0	0	0	1	0	1
Other Larceny	0	0	1	0	1	2
Fraud (includes checks, credit cards, counterfeit bills, Identity Theft, Other)	0	0	1	0	0	1
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assault	0	0	0	0	1	1
Other Crimes	0	0	0	3	1	4
Total	2	8	8	4	8	30



SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

TAMPERING/ POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE

SEU officers were alerted via FLOCK of a stolen vehicle from St. Louis. Officers located the vehicle and initiated surveillance. When the suspects approached the vehicle, both were apprehended without incident. A search of the vehicle located controlled substances and paraphernalia. Warrants applied for.

LARCENY/ FRADULENT USE OF A CREDIT DEVICE

Investigation found a suspect had stolen cash and credit cards from a victim who had left her purse unattended in a store. The investigating officer was able to identify the subject, arrest her, and obtain a confession. Warrants applied for.

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.

OVERDOSE

SEU officers responded and assisted with a subject who had overdosed in a hotel. Both SEU officers and patrol officers' actions were instrumental in reviving and stabilizing the subject.

OF NOTE

Calls for service indicating a theft in progress have significantly declined, but the volume of calls for thefts have remained consistent. Most calls that SEU receives are for delayed reports on thefts. Wal-Mart, who usually calls us for thefts in progress, has recently fired one of their lead LP managers. This, along with a potential change in their policy is one of the reasons for the drop-off of in progress calls. Macy's, Ulta, Lowe's, and Home Depot who are targeted regularly for theft only call us after the theft has occurred.

CLARKSON VALLEY

On June 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	54	Self-Initiated	58
Reports			
Crime/Incident Reports	5	Alarms	18
Open Door	1	Open Garage Door Notifications	10
Crash Reports			
Injury	1	Non-Injury	2
Traffic Enforcement			
Moving	18	Non-Moving	4
Warnings	26	Parking Violations	0
Total (Tickets & Warnings)		48	
Arrests			
Felony	1	Misdemeanor	0
Fugitive	0	Summons Issued	0

Crimes/Incidents Reported

Larceny: Sprinklers at the entrance to the Manors were taken.

Destruction of Property: Person was observed pulling on car handles at Forest Hills Country Club. Upon being observed, the person entered a vehicle and left, striking a golf cart. Description was broadcast and the vehicle was located by Chesterfield Officers at I- 64 & Clarkson. Officers attempted to stop the vehicle which refused to stop. No pursuit was initiated. Stop and hold order was issued for the vehicle.

Crisis Intervention – Resident on Chippenham experienced a mental health crisis.

Sudden Death – Resident passed away on Kehrswood Drive.

Marquette High School Reports

Miscellaneous: Investigation was initiated regarding a social media terroristic threat regarding Marquette and another high school. The suspect was identified and was taken into custody.

Crestview Middle School Reports

None

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	51
Follow-Up Phone Call	10
Cases Cleared	4
Arrests	4
Summons Issued	1
Warrants Issued	7
Family Court Referrals	5
Recovered Property	\$132,978
Initial Background Interviews	0
Background Investigations	7
Major Case Call-Outs	0
Assist Other Unit	3
Department of Family Services Referrals	2
Field Incident Report (FIR)	0
Traffic Contacts	17
Self Initiated	0
Failure to Yields	0

BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

Assault

Charges issued for employee who assaulted his coworker.

FILING FALSE REPORT

Filing false police report charges issued against a victim who made up an assault report.

BANK ROBBERY

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

FRAUD/ FORGERY

An arrest was made as subject attempted to cash altered stolen check. Investigation revealed he was recruited along with other homeless individuals. Subject was Released Pending Application for Warrant (RPAW).

IDENTITY THEFT

Suspect used victim's identity twice to purchase vehicles online. First vehicle was crashed by suspect. The second vehicle was located via GPS and the suspect was arrested and Released Pending Application for Warrant.

MAJOR CASE SQUAD

All investigators attended the annual MCS re-trainer and Det. Broeker received the MCS Certificate of Merit.

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 Safety Town, COPPS, Code Enforcement, citizen fingerprinting, speaker's bureau, Neighborhood Watch, child car seat installation program, drug take backs and 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	1	Court Security dates	3
Car Seat Installations	6	City Council/Planning Security Dates	3
Community events, presentations and meetings		10	

Officers from the Police Community Affairs Unit completed the following work during the month:

- ⇒ Community Affairs Sergeant and Officer participated in Role Plays for the West County Citizen Police Academy.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers participated in the Egg-Stravaganza event at the Chesterfield Valley Athletic Complex.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers participated in the instruction for three dates of the West County Citizen Police Academy.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Sergeant and Officer participated in three Prescription Drug Take Back events and collected 199.7 pounds of unwanted/unused prescription medications.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers and a Code Enforcement Inspector hosted the annual Neighborhood Watch Chairpersons Meeting.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers conducted three Workplace Violence/Active Killer presentations at local businesses.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officer attended the Alliance for Healthy Communities (AHC) monthly meeting.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officer served as a range safety officer for three in-service firearms training dates.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officer attended Major Case Squad Training.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers provided security for three in-person court dates.

Department Social Media	
Monthly Total Facebook Posts	12
Number Reached (Facebook)	70,060
Monthly Total Tweets	0
Number of Tweet Impressions	0
All other social media posts	0

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	232
Classroom Instruction/Presentation	11
School Events Attended	14
Meetings Attended with Admin. And Staff	20
DARE Classes	0



Elementary School Resource Officer (ESRO) Saavedra with the winners of the “Ride to School” from Green Trails Elementary PTO Fundraiser.

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.

Total Complaints	42	No Violation	9
Letters Sent	11	Hearings	0
Abated	16	Summons Issued	1
Forwarded to Prosecutor	0	Community Inquiries	110

As a reminder, trash cannot be left in the yard and grass should be trimmed below 10 inches. Both are 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	78	
Items of Evidence Logged	184	
Total Bonds Processed	29	totaling \$7,044.50
Including Bonds Processed for Other Agencies	3	totaling \$1,300.00
Police Reports Released	141	
Telephone Calls Received	2875	



Community Affairs Officer Meyer conducting a Prescription Drug Take Back at Friendship Village in conjunction with the DEA's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day.

TRAINING

The Training Unit directly assists the agency with the continuing education and training of the existing members of the agency and the training and development of new members.

Hours of In-service Training	176
Hours of Academy Sponsored Training	128
Hours of Other Training	304
Hours of Police One Online Computer Training	106

TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

- ⇒ Six officers attended Special Response Team (SRT) Training
- ⇒ One Officer attended Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training
- ⇒ Two Officer attended Field Force Operations (FFO) Training

POLICE

Training In Progress

PERSONNEL

The Personnel Unit directly assists the agency and the Police Personnel Board in the recruitment, hiring, and promotion of police department personnel.

PERSONNEL

- ⇒ On April 17th a directive was issued by the Chief to initiate a Sergeants Promotional Process which will culminate in the promotion of 4 Sergeants. The process will be conducted over the next several months.
- ⇒ Throughout the month of April, the Personnel function administered written tests to 4 applicants.
- ⇒ On April 20th, the Police Personnel Board conducted 3 applicant interviews. Each of these 3 candidates were approved and forwarded for addition consideration.
- ⇒ On April 20th, Chief Johnson hired a finalist who will be assigned as a Recruit to attend the St. Louis County & Municipal Police Academy.
- ⇒ On April 28th, Chief Johnson hired a finalist who currently works at another agency as a full time police officer. This officer will begin Field Training in late May.



The Police Personnel Board preparing for Oral Interviews with police candidates.

PERSONNEL & AWARDS

PERSONNEL

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.

Congratulations again to Sergeant Eric Wittman on his 25th work anniversary!



PERSONNEL & AWARDS

PERSONNEL

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, which 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.



CRIME REPORT

REPORTS	OFFENSES REPORTED CURRENT MONTH			TOTALS YEAR TO DATE		
	2022	2023	CHANGE	2022	2023	CHANGE
MURDER	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
NON-FORCIBLE RAPE	0	0	N/A	2	0	-
FORCIBLE RAPE	0	0	N/A	2	1	-
SEXUAL OFFENSE	1	2	+	3	4	+
ROBBERY	1	1	N/A	2	2	N/A
ASSAULT	7	15	+	39	44	+
BURGLARY						
RESIDENTIAL	2	1	-	5	11	+
COMMERCIAL	1	5	+	5	12	+
LARCENY						
FELONY	18	14	-	61	74	+
MISDEMEANOR	25	21	-	111	115	+
AUTO. THEFT	2	3	+	14	22	+
RECOVERED STOLEN VEHICLES IN CHF	1	3	+	6	11	+
RECOVERED CHF VEHICLES OTHER JURIS	4	2	-	15	18	+
ARSON	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
CHECKS/FRAUD	36	21	-	111	95	-
VANDALISM	5	8	+	32	35	+
DRUG VIOLATIONS	28	2	-	110	24	-
D.W.I.	11	10	-	39	42	+
TOTAL				543	510	-
ARREST						
ADULT	148	117	-	489	412	-
JUVENILE	13	5		31	27	-
TRAFFIC						
VEH. ACCIDENTS	104	99	-	330	484	+
MVA FATALITIES	1	0	-	0	1	+
MVA INJURIES	18	31	+	70	120	+
TRAFFIC CITATIONS	565	572	+	1,821	2,090	+
WARNINGS ISSUED	633	480	-	2,183	2,037	-
PARKING SUMMONS	14	4	-	21	21	N/A
RADIO ASSIGNMENTS	6,001	5,872	-	16,646	22,817	+
ALARMS	86	99	+	271	364	+