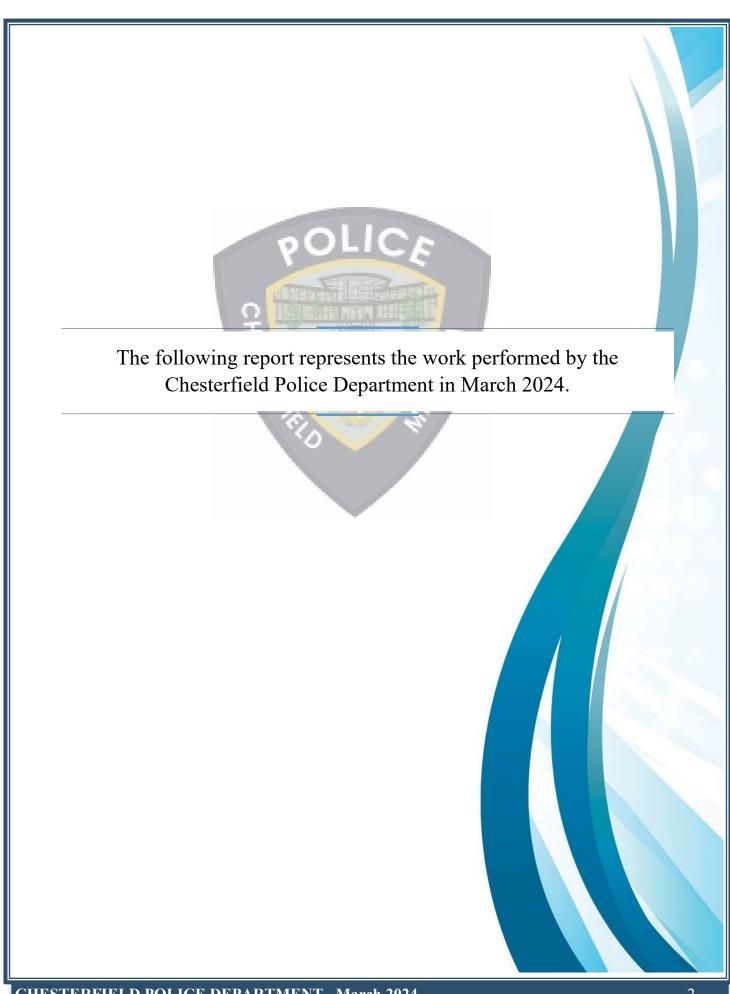


CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

MARCH 2024 MONTHLY REPORT



Officers Amanda Rocklage and Celia Saavedra hanging out with the Easter Bunny at the Eggstravaganza Event in Central Park.



DEPARTMENT WIDE STATISTICS

Events	Monthly Totals
Calls For Service	4,409
Incident Reports Written	216
Custodial Arrests	75
Summons Issued in Lieu of Arrest	35
DWI	4
Traffic Citations	520
Warnings	535
Total Crashes	73
Fatality Crashes	0
Injury Crashes	14
Property Damage Crashes	520

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	March 2023	March 2024	YTD 2024
Vehicle Collisions	2	3	6
Other	2	1	3
Carcass Tags	0	1	1
Total	3	5	10

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	2,325	Open Garage Door Notifications	194
Self-Initiated	1,350	Crime Scene Supplements Entered	22
Open Door Reports	30	Field Interview Reports Entered	11

BURGLARY

A 73-year-old suspect, with a last known address in Jennings, entered a closed business, smeared feces on the walls, and attempted to steal property before being discovered by employees. Officers responded, detained him, and arranged for his conveyance to Mercy Hospital for a psychiatric evaluation. Officers will make a warrant application with the St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

CREDIT CARD FRAUD/DRUG VIOLATION

A 34-year-old man was arrested for using stolen credit cards to rent a hotel room. He was also found in possession of a glass pipe used for ingesting methamphetamine. Further investigation revealed his wife works at a hotel outside the county and has been involved in using the stolen cards to rent rooms for the male suspect. The man was booked at the Chesterfield jail and released pending a warrant application. The officers are continuing their investigation and are trying to locate and arrest the spouse.

LARCENY/
RESISTING
ARREST/ASSAULT
ON LEO/
POSSESSION OF
DRUG
PARAPHERNALIA

A subject stole \$300 worth of merchandise from Walmart and fled the area on foot. The subject was located and fled from an officer. During the foot pursuit, the subject pointed a can of pepper spray and repeatedly informed the officer if he got close, he would pepper spray the officer. The officer deployed his taser and the subject was apprehended. The subject was armed with pepper spray, a large butcher knife, and a padlocked tied to a bandanna. No injuries were reported to the subject or officers.

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		
I-64	5	
MO 340 (Clarkson/Olive)	17	
Clayton Road	3	
Private Property Accidents (City Wide)	10	
Total I-64 (Ramps Included)	7	

TOP TICKET LOCATIONS		
MO 141	44	
Chesterfield Airport Road	40	
Chesterfield Parkway	23	
Olive Boulevard	73	
Clarkson Road	35	
Entire Clarkson/Olive Corridor	108	
Total I-64	157	

⇒ The Bureau of Traffic planned, organized, and staffed the 2024 Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce Blossom Bolt 5k/10k run on Edison Ave. and surrounding roads near the Spirit of St. Louis Airport.

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
20	190	31	88:03 hours	40	50

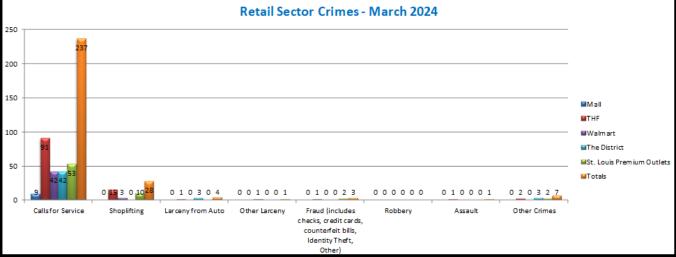
SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

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	18
Property Recovered	\$3,993.27
Park Patrol Hours	54:35

Arrests	10
Felony Charges	3
Misdemeanor Charges	8





SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

STEALING FELONY

SEU officers were alerted to multiple thefts from Market by Macy's, wherein the same suspect stole merchandise totaling approximately \$6,750. The investigation was able to determine a suspect who was subsequently arrested. The suspect admitted to the thefts and warrants were obtained for all three instances.

STEALING FELONY

SEU officers were called to Premium Outlet Mall for a theft from All-Star Elite and Nike. Once officers arrived on scene, they determined that one suspect was still on site and in possession of stolen property totaling approximately \$1,400. The subject was arrested and interviewed, which resulted in a confession. Warrants were applied for and obtained for Felony Stealing.

STEALING FELONY

Ulta Beauty reported a theft from their Chesterfield location with a loss of approximately \$2,150 of merchandise. An investigation by the SEU officer has found that the two suspects are involved with multiple thefts across the country. Homeland Security has assisted in identifying the suspects and may take the case as part of their federal investigation.

STEALING FELONY

SEU officers are investigating two instances of theft from Target with the total amount of merchandise taken at \$2,500. Investigation has determined the identity of the two suspects involved and at least one vehicle that they are using. They are also responsible for several thefts from Target throughout St. Charles County. Each time the M.O. is the same wherein they use their vehicle to block the rear fire exit doors with their vehicle while they load the stolen merchandise into the vehicle. A historical modem search warrant for the vehicle verified that the vehicle was in the area at the time of each theft. A GPS search warrant will be obtained in the near future.

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 & Self-Initiated	173			
	Rep	oorts		
Crime/Incident Reports	5	Alarms	23	
Open Door	1	Open Garage Door Notifications	24	
Crash Reports				
Injury	0	Non-Injury	2	
Traffic Enforcement				
Moving	24	Non-Moving	8	
Warnings	75	Parking Violations	0	
Total (Tickets &	Total (Tickets & Warnings) 107			
Arrests				
Felony	0	Misdemeanor	0	
Fugitive	0	Summons Issued	0	

Crimes/Incidents Reported

Open Door – At 4:15AM, an officer located an insecure door at Forest Hills Country Club. No criminal activity was detected.

Missing – **A** resident experiencing symptoms of dementia, became lost in his car for an extended period. Ultimately, he returned home.

Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer – Officers were attempting to stop a subject who has been a problem for west county police agencies. He entered Forest Hills where he attempted to strike an Ellisville Police vehicle that was occupied by an Ellisville Police supervisor at the time. Eventually the suspect was taken into custody.

Mental Health Warrant: A resident was brought into protective custody due to extreme intoxication and was conveyed to St. Luke's Hospital for a fit for confinement.

Marquette High School Reports

None.

Crestview Middle School Reports

A minor vehicle accident occurred on the parking lot.

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	37
Verbal Letter Cases Assigned	11
Cases Cleared	9
Arrests	16
Summons Issued	5
Warrants Issued	14
Family Court Referrals	4
Recovered Property	\$28,800.00
Initial Background Interviews	0
Background Investigations	4
Major Case Call-Outs	2
Assist Other Unit	37
Department of Family Services Referrals	2
Field Incident Report (FIR)	0
Traffic Contacts	91
Self Initiated	27
Failure to Yields	0

BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

DOMESTIC ASSAULT/ FELONY STEALING/ UNLAWFUL USE OF A WEAPON A detective was called in to assist with a Domestic Assault/Stealing involving a weapon. The detective obtained a GPS location on the victim's stolen cell phone. They also assisted with obtaining the search warrant for the subject's vehicle, conducted the crime scene processing of the subject's vehicle, and seized the weapon used to commit the crime.

DOMESTIC ASSAULT 3RD

The Detective Bureau assisted with a Domestic Assault case in which the suspect bit his wife several times causing minor injuries. The suspect fled the scene and a tracking dog from a nearby police agency was unable to locate him. A detective convinced the subject to turn himself in and made an in-custody warrant application which led to warrants being issued for Domestic Assault 3rd with \$25,000 Cash Only Bond.

ENTICEMENT OF A MINOR/ RESISTING ARREST

The Detective Bureau was made aware of a missing juvenile who did not return home from school. During the investigation, it was learned the juvenile was picked up in the morning by an unknown person. The unknown person drove a white SUV and was seen picking her up and dropping her off at school. It was discovered the juvenile was enticed by a 29-year-old male for sex. The juvenile and suspect were located in the vehicle at a residence in Berkeley, MO. The juvenile was returned to her parents and the suspect was transported to the St. Louis County Jail where warrant application yielded the suspect held with "No Bond" for the charges of Enticement of a Minor and Resisting Arrest.

DRUG ARREST/ UNLAWFUL USE OF A WEAPON

Three subjects in possession of over a pound of marijuana, three firearms, and several articles of paraphernalia (indicating their intent to sell marijuana) were arrested. \$7,560 in cash, believed to be earnings from marijuana sales, was seized.

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, SRO/ESRO, 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	2	Court Security dates	3
Car Sear Installations	5	City Council/Planning Security Dates	4
Community events, presentations and meetings		(5

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

- ⇒ Community Affairs Supervisor interviewed seven Police Applicants.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers hosted the AARP Smart Driver Course.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers participated in the Eggstravaganza event.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers conducted a Station Tour for a Cub Scout Troop.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers helped conduct 4 West County Citizen Police Academy classes.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers conducted 3 initial background investigations on police applicants.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers provided security for 3 municipal court dates.
- ⇒ Community Affairs Officers covered 9 Patrol shifts in March.
- ⇒ Elementary School Resource Officer (ESRO) attended a Safety Meeting at Shenandoah Valley Elementary School.
- ⇒ ESRO participated in a Safety Drill at Green Trails Elementary School.

Department Social Media				
Monthly Total Facebook Posts	20			
Number Reached (Facebook)	79,243			
Monthly Total Tweets	0			
Number of Tweet Impressions	0			
All other social media posts	3			

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 three 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	50		
Classroom Instruction/Presentation	0		
School Events Attended	0		
Meetings Attended with Admin. And Staff	8		



Officer Rocklage, two of our Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) and Officer Saavedra at the Eggstravaganza Event at Central Park.

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	36	No Violation	20
Letters Sent	14	Hearings	0
Abated	6	Summons Issued	1
Forwarded to Prosecutor	0	Community Inquiries	54



As a reminder, trash cans and trash left visible from the street is a violation of the City of Chesterfield's Nuisance Ordinance.

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	82		
Items of Evidence Logged	192		
Total Bonds Processed	33	totaling \$7,567.00	
Including Bonds Processed for Other Agencies	7	totaling \$1,594.00	
Police Reports Released	137		
Telephone Calls Received	2,881		



Officers from the SEU, SRT, and Patrol units executed a search warrant is St. Louis County in March. As a result of the warrant, over \$12,800 in stolen property was recovered (pictured above).

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	280
Hours of Academy Sponsored Training	144
Hours of Other Training	16
Hours of Police One Online Computer Training	89

TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

- ⇒ Four officers attended Field Training Instructor (FTI) Training.
- ⇒ One officer attended Crime Scene Processing 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

- ⇒ Two applicants participated in the written test for police officer.
- ⇒ Ten candidates participated in the Oral Interview Phase with the Police Personnel Board. Nine candidates went forward for backgrounds and psychological evaluations.



PERSONNEL & AWARDS

Life Saving Award Issued

Records Clerk, Jill Mason, was honored with the award thanks to her heroic efforts, which saved a prisoner's life, while in custody here in our jail. One of her duties is to consistently monitor all 35 of the department's security cameras. Due to her diligent observations of the cell cameras, she was able to notice a prisoner using a blanket and a shirt in a somewhat suspicious manner. Thanks to the observation, she quickly alerted onduty officers who responded to check on the prisoner. Upon the officer's response to the cell, they observed the prisoner had attempted to hang themselves, however, they were able to rescue the prisoner prior to losing consciousness. The prisoner was checked by EMS personnel and then conveyed to Mercy Hospital for appropriate treatment.

It is due to Ms. Mason's rapid and decisive response that contributed directly to the individual's survival. Her quick thinking ultimately played a key role in the saving of a human life, and thus is deserving of formal recognition.



Pictured L to R: Jill Mason and Chief Cheryl Funkhouser

PERSONNEL & AWARDS

In March, we celebrated Officer Chad Meyer's 20 years of service with our department. Since working here with us, Officer Meyer has served in Patrol, was a member of our Special Enforcement Unit, served on the Major Case Squad of Greater St. Louis, is a past President of the Chesterfield Police Officer's Association, and currently serves as our Safety Town Coordinator and is assigned to our Community Affairs/Engagement Unit.



Pictured L to R: Chief Cheryl Funkhouser and Officer Chad Meyer

CRIME REPORT

	OFFENSES REPORTED CURRENT MONTH				TOTALS YEAR TO DATE			
REPORTS	2023	<u>2024</u>	CHANGE		<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	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		0	0	N/A	
FORCIBLE RAPE	0	0	N/A		1	1	N/A	
SEXUAL OFFENSE	1	2	+		2	3	N/A	
ROBBERY	0	0	N/A		1	1	N/A	
ASSAULT	10	20	+		29	51	+	
BURGLARY								
RESIDENTIAL	4	1	-		10	2	-	
COMMERCIAL	3	2	-		7	4	-	
LARCENY								
FELONY	14	15	+		60	38	-	
MISDEMEANOR	- 31	- 37	+		- 94	- 78	-	
AUTO. THEFT	4	0	-		19	1	-	
RECOVERED STOLEN VEHICLES IN CHF	5	2	-		8	4	-	
RECOVERED CHF VEHICLES OTHER JURIS	1	0	-		16	0	-	
ARSON	0	0	N/A		0	0	N/A	
CHECKS/FRAUD	17	14	-		74	45	-	
VANDALISM	9	12	+		27	26	-	
DRUG VIOLATIONS	5	10	+		22	25	+	
D.W.I.	10	4	-		32	24	-	
TOTAL	114	119	+		402	422	+	
ARREST								
ADULT	117	110	-		295	335	+	
JUVENILE	7	4	-		22	16	-	
TRAFFIC								
VEH. ACCIDENTS	87	73	-		286	140	-	
MVA FATALITIES	0	0	N/A		1	0	-	
MVA INJURIES	19	14	-		58	33	-	
TRAFFIC CITATIONS	539	520	-		1,518	1,594	+	
WARNINGS ISSUED	473	535	+		1,557	1,616	+	
PARKING SUMMONS	0	6	+		17	38	+	
RADIO ASSIGNMENTS	5,825	4,409	-		16,945	10,620	-	
ALARMS	101	106	+		265	295	+	

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