

2012
Annual Report
Royal Oak Police





April 6, 2013

The Honorable Mayor
and
Members of City Commission

I am pleased to present the 2012 Royal Oak Police Department Annual Report. The Royal Oak Police Department has not produced an annual report since 2008, primarily due to personnel cuts. One of my priorities as chief is to use a data driven approach to ensuring the police department is as effective and efficient as possible. This annual report is one important aspect of that approach in addition to our commitment to consistently communicate our progress to our community.

As the city's largest department, I believe it is important to provide the City Commission and citizens with a summary of our current performance and the previous year's activity. Although we are not yet at full staffing, I prioritized this report to provide a clear and thorough summary of the 2012 activities of the Royal Oak Police Department.

2012 was a very busy year for our city. The historic contract concessions by every labor group in the City of Royal Oak paved the way for the Public Safety Millage. The overwhelming support of the citizens provided a tremendous boost to the morale of a police department that had been understaffed and overworked for a long time.

I personally spoke to countless residents and civic groups about the millage. In my discussions with the community, I made a commitment regarding the type of police service the citizens would receive if the millage was approved. This department is committed to delivering on the promises made to our citizens.

Today, we have a high performing and credible caliber of people working for the Royal Oak Police Department. Our leadership team will continue building a top notch police department over the next several years. Staffing our department with the right people, training them properly and establishing accountability takes time. We are fully committed to upholding our high standards as well as training and coaching our employees to be effective in their roles.

The police department is off to a good start in rebuilding the agency. We have hired eight (8) new officers and they are proving to be strong assets to the department. We will continue to aggressively hire new officers but due to retirements and training restraints, I do not expect to have significantly more officers on the road by summer.

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In closing, I would like to say how very proud I am of the Royal Oak Police Department and it is truly an honor to be chief. All members, sworn and civilian, full and part time, are dedicated to the department's mission and serve our community well.

I hope you find this report useful and informative.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "CPOA", written in a cursive style.

Corrigan P. O'Donohue
Chief of Police

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The background of the page features a large, faded, light gray outline of the Royal Oak Police badge. The badge is shield-shaped with a decorative top and bottom. It contains the word "POLICE" at the top, "TUEBOR" in the center, and "ROYAL OAK" at the bottom. The central part of the badge depicts a figure holding a shield.

**MISSION
STATEMENT**

“TO KEEP ROYAL OAK SAFE”

CORE VALUES

Integrity

The Royal Oak Police Department will strive to maintain the highest level of moral values and standards of conduct while demonstrating fairness and equality to those we serve. Integrity is the cornerstone of our profession. It is a sacred quality that is essential to maintain public trust and mutual respect. The Royal Oak Police Department will be steadfast in adherence to a code of moral excellence and incorruptibility. We will maintain a standard of conduct that reinforces the ideals of honesty, accountability and pledge to hold ourselves to the highest legal, moral and ethical standards.

Service

The Royal Oak Police Department will demonstrate the desire to contribute to the welfare of others by responding appropriately to the needs and demands of the community. We will put service before self and strive for excellence in all we do. We are committed to faithfully and selflessly performing our duties with the goal of enhancing public safety and reducing the fear of crime. We are dedicated to working with the public to ensure the highest level of service and feeling of security for those we serve.

Courage

The Royal Oak Police Department will maintain the strength of mind, body and spirit to encounter and withstand danger, fear or difficulty, with firmness and surety of purpose. We will confront difficult situations with confidence and determination to overcome any obstacle put before us. We will put the safety of others above our own and will not hesitate to protect those who cannot protect themselves.

Compassion

The Royal Oak Police Department will be ever mindful and conscientious of the emotional and physical well being of all those we strive to protect. We will be understanding and by deed, assuage the suffering and provide consolation to all those affected by, or involved in the criminal justice process. We will be pillars of fairness and by example provide solace and an atmosphere where all citizens are equal and protected.

Loyalty

The Royal Oak Police Department will be faithful to the highest ideals of law enforcement. We will be loyal to the community in action and deed with the understanding the safety of the citizens of Royal Oak is our primary mission. We will maintain an unwavering allegiance to the law, our profession and those we serve and protect.



Operational Data

The following sections are comprised of seven key categories; Organizational Make-up, Records Division, Citizen Complaints, Lawsuits, Training, Patrol Division, Criminal Investigations, miscellaneous tasks in which the Royal Oak Police Department participated and additional points of interest.

Contained in each of the Records and Criminal Investigation segments are designations encompassing disciplines that are coordinated by that division's supervisor.

Organizational Make-up

The 2012 city budget authorized the sworn staffing level of 1-Chief, 1-Deputy Chief, 4-Lieutenants, 10-Sergeants, 5-Detectives and 45-Officers. The full-time civilian staff was authorized at 1-Administrative Assistant, 1-Records Supervisor, 1-Records Clerk and 8- Police Service Aides. The part-time civilian staff was authorized at 11- Parking Enforcement Officer, 3-Records Clerks, 1-Detective Secretary.

Attachment “A” represents the current organizational make-up of the agency. The following table represents a 9-year comparison of the number of personnel budgeted for the Police Department.

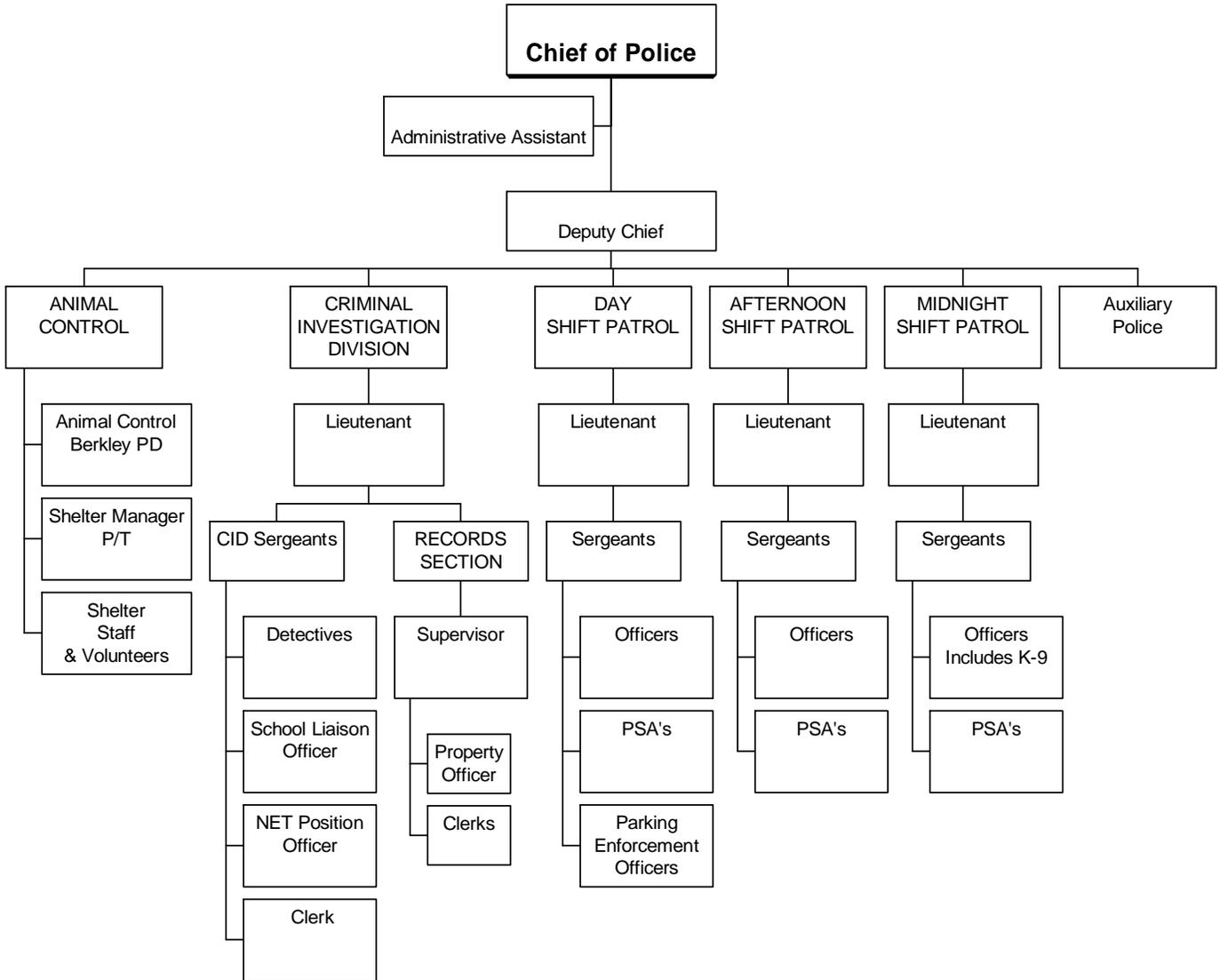
Staffing

Positions	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012
Chief	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Deputy Chief	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Lieutenant	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Sergeant	13	13	13	12	12	9	11	10	10
Detective	8	8	8	7	8	8	7	5	5
Police Officer	70	64	64	64	64	56	51	45	45
Police Service Aide	11	11	11	11	11	10	9	9	8
Admin. Assistant	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Records Superv.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Clerical/Secretarial	7	7	7	5	5	3	1	1	1

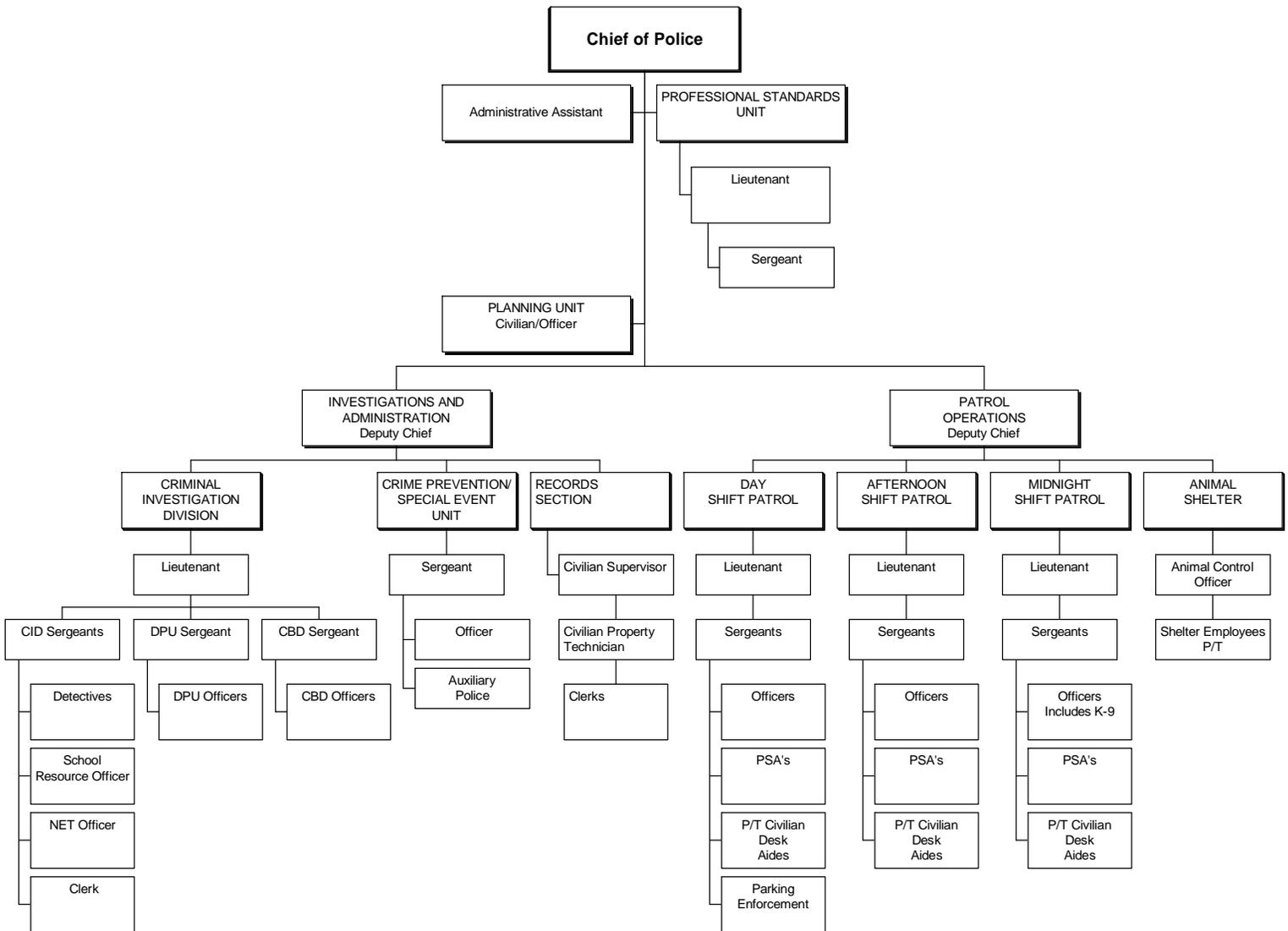
Fiscal Years

-Above data is based on budgeted authorized staffing levels and do not include part-time staff (i.e. – animal shelter, parking enforcement, crossing guards, clerical, etc.)

**Royal Oak Police Organizational Chart
2012**



Proposed Royal Oak Police Organizational Chart 2013



POLICE RECORDS



Records Division

The Records Division consists of one (1) Records Supervisor, one (1) Records Clerk, four (4) part-time Records Clerks and one (1) Property Officer.

The Records Division assists the public Monday-Thursday on the telephone or at the counter. Other Records duties include maintaining the department's electronic records system (CLEAR), issuing Royal Oak residents gun permits, registering weapons, processing Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, conducting vehicle auctions, issuing reports to involved parties and insurance companies, and providing requested report information to the City Attorney's office and 44th District Court.

In 2012 the Records Section processed the following requests:

Accident Reports requested	285
Incident Reports requested	521
Audio Tape and FOIA Requests	269
Citizen Record Checks	73
Record Check requested by mail/fax	657

It is also the responsibility of the Records Division to provide data regarding criminal activity within the City of Royal Oak.

A partial breakdown of offenses follows:

Offense	2011	2012
Murder	2	0
Aggravated Assaults	52	50
Simple Assaults/Intimidation	458	375
Robbery	9	12
Forcible Rape	11	11
Burglary	228	183
Motor Vehicle Thefts	108	96
Arson	1	3
Larceny Thefts	781	711
Narcotic Violation	419	379
Disorderly Conduct	1183	1359
Traffic Accident	2228	2191

Crime Statistics

Crime is reported to the State and FBI as Group A-F offenses:

- **Group A Offenses** include the following: Murder, Negligent Homicide, some Forcible and Non Forcible Sex Offenses, Robbery, Assault, Burglary, Motor Vehicle Theft, Arson, Kidnapping, Forgery, some Frauds, some Liquor Law Violations, Embezzlement, Damage to Property, Weapon Violations, Commercialized Sexual Offenses, Drug Laws and Gambling.
- **Group B Offenses** include the following: some Frauds, some Non Forcible Sex Offenses, Non Violent Family Offenses, Operating While Intoxicated, Liquor Law Violations, Obstruction/Escape, Disorderly Conduct, State, Local and Federal Offenses, Local Ordinances, Juvenile Offenses and specific arrestable Traffic Offenses.
- **Groups C, D, E, & F Offenses** include lesser offenses and response types that are not reportable as crime statistics to the state and FBI.

Crime Statistics Reported to State and FBI

Calendar Year:	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Group A Offenses	3,776	3,615	3,242	2,949	2,963	2,601
Group B Offenses	2,621	2,562	2,478	2,199	1,948	1,179
Total Group A & B	6,397	6,177	5,720	5,148	4,911	3,780
Annual Change	4.8%	-3.4%	-7.5%	-10%	-4.6%	-23.0%

A breakdown for the Part A and B Crimes for the year 2011 in comparison with the year 2012 are as follows:

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>Percentage of Change</u>
Part A Crime	2,963	2,601	-12.2%
Part B Crime	1,948	1,179	-39.9%
Total Reports	29,887	37,297	24.8%

CITIZEN COMPLAINTS AND LAWSUITS



Citizen Complaints 2004-2012

It is the policy of the Royal Oak Police Department to accept and investigate all complaints of employee misconduct or wrongdoing. This Department is committed to providing law enforcement services that are fair, effective, and impartially applied. The complaint procedure provides citizens with a meaningful and effective avenue for legitimate complaints against a member of the Police Department. It is the intention of the Police Department to encourage public support and confidence through the assurance of a fair and thorough investigation of all complaints.

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total Complaints	7	13	14	16	10	8	7	8	8
Excessive or Unnecessary Force / Assault Complaints	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	3	2

Lawsuits 2004-2012

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total Lawsuits	4	4	5	1	1	1	2	1	3
Excessive or Unnecessary Force / Assault	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0

Training

The Royal Oak Police Department must shape its future, not leave it to chance. It is the responsibility of police administration to provide training for department personnel as a means to advance the employee's professional growth and competence while enhancing the overall ability of the department to provide improved service to the community.

Training:

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
In-Service (total department training hours per officer)	21	24	32	45	17	14	14	24
Advanced training hours (for all personnel)	4,225	5,330	6,909	3,988	3,199	1,963	1,809	2,593

In-service Training includes annual instruction to all personnel or specific classifications of personnel in such areas as firearms, pathogen exposure, first aid & CPR, and defensive tactics, etc. The figure above represents total hours per officer.

Advanced Training includes individualized instruction in areas such as interview & interrogation, accident investigation, search & seizure, incident command, radar operation, breathalyzer operation, surveillance techniques, specialized investigation courses, etc. The above figures represent total hours training for all department personnel during the year.



Patrol Division



The Royal Oak Police Department, in a partnership with the community, strives to provide the highest level of service with the available resources at its disposal. Even though our resources have been reduced in recent years, the residents and visitors of Royal Oak still enjoy a high level of service. This level of service has been maintained due to the dedication and effort of the officers and the supervisors of the Royal Oak Police Department.

The patrol level (Police Officers, Sergeants and Lieutenants) have the most contact with the general public. The patrol division has focused on developing a customer service oriented style of policing. This philosophy has improved our relationship with the community, our businesses, and has enabled us to build upon the public's trust.

In July of 2008, our Traffic Safety Division was disbanded, due to financial restraints. The officers were reassigned to the patrol division. Some duties that Traffic Safety Officers provided were abolished, for instance, investigating property damage hit and run accidents. Other duties were retained and reassigned to the Patrol Division. The Day Shift Patrol Lieutenant is now responsible for many of the administrative duties which were previously assigned to the Traffic Safety Sergeant.

The patrol division now responds to traffic complaints such as excessive speeding or no thru traffic as staffing allows. Traffic complaint response may include:

- ❖ Utilization of the department's SMART trailer to give a more accurate count of vehicular traffic and average speed.
- ❖ Initiating a formal request to have the staff traffic committee look at the problem and make recommendations.
- ❖ Coordinating with the City Traffic Engineer to evaluate roadways.

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In addition, the patrol division performs background investigations for taxi and limousine driver permits, evaluates and approves valet parking applications, directs the crossing guard program, coordinates the repair and inspection of handheld preliminary breath test machines, Auto-cite, radar units, and investigates other traffic related issues.

In 2012, the Royal Oak patrol division answered 36,197 calls for service, responded to or assisted citizens in 2,191 accidents and issued 12,614 traffic citations. Below you will find a seven year comparison. Please keep in mind this was all accomplished with significant staffing cuts over the past several years.

Calls for Service

2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
33,733	31,743	30,447	28,953	29,848	28,675	*36,197

* Calls for Service increased significantly in 2012 due to our department implementing the ICMA recommendation of listing traffic stops as calls for service. Traffic stops were not accounted for in the previous years.

Yearly Accident Summary

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
*Non-Injury Accidents	2,382	2,092	2,117	1,958	2,863	2,111	1,935
Injury Accidents	274	303	299	187	150	150	255
Fatal Accidents	1	2	2	2	0	1	1
Totals	2,657	2,397	2,418	2,147	2,013	2,262	2,191

*Include private property accidents

Department Traffic Enforcement

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Traffic Violations General	22,205	19,818	19,187	17,212	13,148	13,657	11,382
Traffic Violations-Accident Scene	1,001	980	999	710	949	979	832
Traffic Violations-Motor Carrier	1,375	837	748	303	327	464	400
Traffic Violations - Total	24,580	21,635	20,934	18,225	14,424	15,100	12,614

Motor Carrier Enforcement

There are currently two patrol officers that are certified motor carrier officers. Their training consisted of a two-week training course conducted by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, a section of the U.S. Department of Transportation. After this initial training, they worked under the tutelage of the Michigan State Police Motor Carrier Division before receiving their official certification.

Each officer is required to perform a minimum of 32 Level I or Level V inspections per year. A Level I inspection is an examination of all driver documentation and complete vehicle inspection. A Level V inspection is a special Federal or State detail requiring the motor carrier officer to check specified commercial vehicles. These inspections are required by the Michigan State Police in order for the officers to maintain their Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) certifications. The primary goal of this program is to improve the safety, security, productivity of commercial vehicle operations, and ensure conditions of the road are maintained. The motor carrier officers also ensure that the department's portable weight scales are recalibrated on an annual basis as required by law.

Commercial Vehicle Violations

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Overweight	7	1	0	0	0	5	26
Defective Equipment	982	475	474	192	199	301	121
Operator License	45	41	33	11	3	4	3
Insurance	46	19	5	5	0	8	8
All Other CV Violations	335	301	236	95	125	146	242
Total	1,375	837	748	303	327	464	400

Parking Enforcement

The Royal Oak parking enforcement staff has ten (10) Parking Enforcement Officers. The parking enforcement hours of operation are 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. The Parking Enforcement Officers handle all parking meter enforcement and parking related issues throughout the city.

Parking citations are also enforced on private property by William Beaumont Hospital Security Officers and Oakland Community Campus Police.

<u>Parking Enforcement</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
Violations issued by PEO's	88,268	96,180	91,970
Uniform Officers	36	743	1248
Beaumont Security	501	398	372
Oakland Comm. College	25	70	71
TOTAL (non- PEO)	562	1,211	1,691
OVERALL TOTAL	88,830	97,391	93,661

Central Business District



For several years now the Royal Oak Police Department, in partnership with the Downtown Development Authority, has provided a unique service to the citizens and guests living, working and playing in downtown Royal Oak. The Central Business District (CBD) detail, consisting of four officers, is assigned specifically to the CBD to provide a dedicated police presence in the downtown.

The CBD detail's primary focus is community policing; concentrating on the theaters, restaurants, bars and retail shopping establishments within the downtown. CBD officers additionally perform all of the regular duties including traffic enforcement, report taking and arresting those people who break the law. The CBD officers not only patrol on foot but will patrol on bicycle and motorcycle during the summer months.

The CBD officers help protect the influx of people during the evening and night time hours seeking the exciting mix of things to do in our downtown area. CBD officers also meet with business owners throughout the downtown area and address any concerns they may have. The officers make sure they maintain a positive image and are available to answer any questions the citizens may have.

Throughout 2012, the CBD detail officers have continued to provide a high level of service to the members of the Downtown Development Authority as well as any citizen or guest utilizing the downtown. The CBD officers complete over 375 business checks each month. The officers go into each and every business and speak to employees and management to get their input on concerns they have and how we, as police officers, can provide better service to them.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT TEAM

SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER



Criminal Investigation Division

The year 2012 continued to be very challenging for the detectives assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division (CID). The CID currently operates with five (5) Detectives, two (2) police officers and two (2) part-time secretaries. This Bureau faced substantially higher case loads with the fewest number of detectives in over fifteen years due to financial restraints. Fortunately, with the passing of the Public Safety Millage in November, the CID will be able to increase the number of detectives from five to seven. The increase in personnel will positively impact the case load of each detective. Although the millage was passed in November of 2012, the promotion of two new detectives will not occur until 2013. This will allow the CID to provide a broader range of services to the citizens of Royal Oak.

The detective's daily workload was very high in 2012. Deciding which cases to assign continues to be a challenging task. CID supervisors read each and every case assigned to this bureau to identify "solvability factors". Based on those factors, a case is either assigned, closed or placed into an electronic queue to await further developments. As you can see in the graph below, when a detective reaches a saturation point, there simply are too many cases in which to devote sufficient time. Assigning cases to detectives based on the solvability factors has allowed the CID to manage a workable caseload in an efficient manner. By assigning each detective less cases, based on the solvability factors, warrants obtained per cases assigned increased by 20.5%. It is important to remember the 16% cut to CID occurred in 2011 and continued through 2012.

	2011	2012	Percent Change
Cases Assigned	915	613	-33%
Warrants Obtained	354	288	-18.6%
Warrants Obtained Per Cases Assigned	39%	47%	20.5%

Officer Richard Millard continued his role as the School Liaison Officer until October of 2012, when he was promoted to Detective. Officer Teichow was selected to the vacant School Liaison position. Officer Teichow is a thoughtful and enthusiastic officer who will continue the professional working relationship with Royal Oak High School staff members and students. Officer Teichow has been proactive with meeting with School District leadership, and is doing a good job networking with school staff and administrators.

The Royal Oak Police Department has one (1) officer assigned to the Oakland County Narcotics Enforcement Team (NET). NET is a multijurisdictional undercover unit assigned to investigate and arrest individuals for the delivery of controlled substances. NET also assists our department with serious non-narcotic related cases.

Major CID Cases in 2012

- Royal Oak Detectives investigated a felonious assault complaint at 1203 S. Main (Holiday Market). The suspect threatened multiple people with a knife, including a family with a small child. A pedestrian in the area with a concealed pistol license intervened. He ordered the suspect to drop the knife at gunpoint and held him until Royal Oak Police Officers arrived on the scene. The suspect was taken into custody. He was charged and convicted of Felonious Assault.
- Royal Oak Detectives investigated an attempted abduction case in the 4000 block of Tonawanda. A 14 year old female was followed by a male suspect in a vehicle. The suspect grabbed the victim from behind and attempted to carry her to his car. The female managed to escape and the suspect fled. Royal Oak Detectives were able to develop information on the suspect. The suspect was located, identified and charged with the crime. The case is currently awaiting trial.
- Royal Oak Detectives investigated a string of Larceny from Automobiles that occurred in the south east end of Royal Oak and in the City of Ferndale. A suspect was arrested and found to be in possession of stolen items from the vehicles that were broken into. The suspect was charged with larceny from an automobile, possession of a stolen financial transaction device and receiving and concealing stolen property.
- Royal Oak Detectives investigated an Aggravated Assault/Attempted Murder case. The incident occurred in the 4400 block of Springer. Royal Oak officer responded to a disturbance complaint and observed a male suspect assaulting a male victim. The suspect picked up a piece of broken glass and threatened to kill the male victim. The victim was seriously injured and hospitalized. The suspect was arrested and charged with attempted murder.
- Royal Oak Police Officers recovered a vehicle stolen in the 1700 block of Gardenia. The vehicle was stolen during a Home Invasion in the City of Ann Arbor. Several individuals were arrested when the vehicle was recovered along with stolen property related to the crime. A CID detective interviewed the primary suspect and obtained a confession from the suspect. The suspect was charged with Home Invasion 1st Degree.

Narcotics Enforcement Team

The Royal Oak NET initiated 778 cases in 2012; 25 of those cases were initiated or investigated in Royal Oak. Additionally, the NET Officer was involved in other crew initiated cases throughout various local cities. The NET Officer was the affiant on several warrants and obtained numerous arrest warrants, most of which were felony possession and delivery charges through the Oakland County Prosecutors Office.

NET High Profile Cases

NET Detectives initiated a narcotic investigation in Royal Oak. Detectives set up a buy-bust. A traffic stop was made and the subject threw an ounce of cocaine out of the passenger window. Detectives recovered the cocaine and cash. Detectives arrested the subject. This case is pending charges.

NET detectives initiated a narcotic investigation on the 900 block of N. Stephenson. Detectives made several controlled purchases at the initial location on Stephenson and in the Central Business District of Royal Oak. NET Detectives obtained a search warrant for the location. The search warrant was executed and 1.5 pounds of marijuana, THC products (candy, brownies), hashish, hashish oil, and approximately \$2500 cash were recovered.

NET Detectives conducted a controlled purchase of .57 grams of crystal meth from a suspect at a coffee shop in the Central Business District. A second controlled purchase was set up with the suspect. After the purchase was made, the suspect fled from police in his vehicle. He was arrested for Flee & Elude and Possession with Intent to Deliver crystal meth. The suspect pled guilty as charged and was sentenced to 7-15 years in prison.

NET Detectives, the Oakland Macomb Interdiction Team (OMIT) and the US Postal Inspector executed a controlled delivery of approximately 12 pounds of marijuana in the 1800 block of W. Twelve Mile in the City of Royal Oak. OMIT executed a search warrant at the residence and seized another 30 pounds of marijuana, approximately \$17,500, a vehicle, and a snowmobile. OMIT also seized child pornography which was turned over to the Postal Inspectors and Royal Oak Police Department for follow-up. Charges are pending on two suspects involved in the crime.

Narcotics Seizures/Undercover Purchases in the City of Royal Oak

(329.36) pounds of marijuana
(286.9) grams of heroin
(43.0) grams of crack cocaine
(42.8) grams of powder cocaine
(1,804.89) dosage units of other scheduled drugs including ecstasy and hash.

High School Liaison

The School Liaison Officer (SLO) reports to CID and works at the Royal Oak High School whenever school is in session. Officer Richard Millard was the SLO until October of 2012. Officer Millard was promoted to Detective. While he was the SLO he performed his duties in an extraordinary manner. The primary mission of the SLO is to foster a safe and secure environment within the high school and address any minor criminal matters involving juveniles within the City of Royal Oak.

The SLO works closely with school administrators, social workers and counselors to address the many issues that arise. The SLO's daily presence inside the high school fosters familiarity with the student body and an effective working relationship with the staff. This relationship, combined with the access to data and information from both the school and the police department, make it possible for the SLO to quickly deal with and resolve many issues in an effective and efficient manner. The SLO's daily activities result in hundreds of parental contacts over the course of a year. The vast majority of these contacts resulted in expressions of gratitude and developed a positive image for the ROPD.

The loss of the ROPD Community Policing Officer's position in September 2010 added additional duties for the SLO during the 2011 calendar year. These duties continued through 2012. The SLO used to handle and follow-up on incidents involving students from the Royal Oak High School only. The SLO now handles all minor offense cases involving any school aged child. The SLO now responds to many issues that arise at Churchill and the Royal Oak Middle School, along with the six elementary schools and various other non-public schools within the city. The SLO now assists with emergency drills and traffic concerns within these schools. During the summer, the SLO handles several tasks in preparation for the Woodward Dream Cruise and Arts Beats and Eats. The SLO processes permits and coordinates the volunteers for the events.

SLO Statistics:

Cases Assigned: 76

Disciplinary Interviews attended: 71

Restitution collected: \$725

Violations issued: (17) parking, (4) tobacco, (3) traffic, (11) ordinances

Juvenile Petitions sent out: 21

Diversion Cases: 17

Additional duties which require SLO commitment, support and involvement:

- Runaway Juvenile investigations
- Networking and sharing information with School Principals and other agencies.
- Attend ROHS and Churchill graduation ceremonies
- Attend various school sporting events, dances, parent teacher conferences
- Homecoming / Prom / Senior all-night party committees

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- Classroom presentations on various topics
- Arrange and assist with K-9 sweeps
- School Board – Attend and give testimony at expulsion hearings
- Daily Report review, for matters involving High School students/family problems
- Assist School Officials with residency verifications / investigations
- School surveillance camera system - monitor, review, facilitate repairs
- School parking lots – monitor, enforcement
- Truancy home visits.
- Coordinating with County Juvenile Caseworkers
- Coordinating with Royal Oak Community Coalition
- Coordinating with Save Our Youth Taskforce
- Coordinating with Royal Oak Youth Assistance
- Return calls and emails from parents who initiate contact seeking advice

Traffic Enforcement Mobilizations

The Royal Oak Police Department, in 2012, once again participated with other agencies across the state in traffic mobilization programs; **'You Drink, You Drive, You Lose'** and **'Click It OR Ticket'**. The programs were funded through use of grant monies made available by the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning. In Oakland County, the grant program is administered through the Traffic Improvement Association.

You Drink, You Drive, You Lose.

This is a statewide mobilization effort to combat drunk driving. Media announcements and newspaper stories precede the enforcement dates. Members of the participating agencies are present during press conferences.

The mobilization dates in Royal Oak were: March 16th, March 17th, March 23rd, March 24th, March 30th, March 31st, July 6th, July 7th, July 13th, July 20th, July 21st, July 28th, August 3rd, August 4th, November 21st, November 23rd and December 29th.

The Royal Oak Police Department participated on each date, dedicated 198 personnel hours that resulted in twenty-six (26) Operating While Intoxicated arrests, six (6) other arrests and the issuance of 101 other violations. During one of these enforcement dates a grant funded officer was instrumental in obtaining a license plate to a vehicle which was later involved in the Armed Robbery of a resident. The two suspects involved were arrested.

Click It OR Ticket.

Media coverage again, preceded this event. Studies have shown that warnings instead of violations do not have the same effect when it comes to seat belts. Strict enforcement was encouraged during the mobilization dates. The enforcement zones were determined by the areas with the highest accident rates.

Signs were posted at the beginning and end of each zone announcing the enforcement. The mobilization dates in Royal Oak were: May 21st, May 22nd, May 23rd, May 24th, May 25th, May 29th, May 30th, May 31st, June 1st, June 2nd, September 19th and September 21st.

The Royal Oak Police Department participated on each date, dedicated 174 personnel hours that resulted in 191 Seat Belt Violations, one (1) Child Restraint violation, thirty-two (32) other violations and two (2) arrests. The two arrests were for Operating While Intoxicated and Possession With the Intent to Deliver Drugs.

Royal Oak Police Motor Unit



The current motor unit has been an active part of our police department since 1997. The original motor unit consisted of two officers and a sergeant. Today, the unit consists of seven riders. Each motor officer must pass the grueling 80-hour certification class and take part in a yearly spring refresher course. A certified police motor officer's riding ability puts him/her in the top 2% of skilled riders in the world.

Motor officers work from their motorcycles in the same way other officers work from their police cars. There are very few things that a motor officer cannot do, with the most obvious being transporting arrested persons. Several officers are certified by the Secret Service to assist with motorcades and have served in numerous presidential protection details.

The motor unit works several special events in the city including the Oak Apple Run, Memorial Day parade, and several other special traffic details. The motor unit also participated in several events outside the city including the Eastpointe Gratiot Cruise and the Blue Angel's Air Show at the Willow Run Airport. Additionally, the motor unit represented the department at one funeral for an officer from a neighboring jurisdiction.

Motor officers continue to visit block parties when available that take place in Royal Oak. This gives children the opportunity to see a police motorcycle up close and ask the officer questions about being a "motorcycle cop." The children are overjoyed at the opportunity to sit on the police motorcycle, turn on the emergency lights, and perhaps even activate the siren.

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Wednesday and Thursday summer evenings in downtown Royal Oak continue to be a gathering place for motorcycle riders from the metro Detroit area. This is an unofficial, non-sponsored event that has evolved over the last fifteen years. On a warm summer night, the downtown will draw several hundred motorcycles. During the early years of the gatherings, Wednesdays were reserved for Harley Davidson's and Thursdays for sport bikes. In recent years the two nights have merged and you will see Harleys and sport bikes intermixed and parked side by side on both nights. The motor-unit officers are very active in enforcement actions as well as community policing during these busy nights.

The 2012 Woodward Dream Cruise was held in Royal Oak on August 18th. There were 65 motor officers from 18 different departments who participated in this year's event. The preparation and planning for this event is extensive. The motorcycle unit plays a key role in the safety and security of those in attendance, because the police motorcycles can move rapidly through the congestion on Woodward and respond quickly to calls for service, as well as enforce traffic and criminal laws. At the end of the night, motor units "sweep" Woodward Avenue to disperse the large crowds which are estimated at over 1 million people each year.

Chaplain's Report

The Royal Oak Police Chaplain Program provides counseling and support to the Police Department members and their families, and assists community members in times of need. The current nine members of the chaplain program come from a variety of religious denominations. The program stresses a non-denominational approach to the ministry that they provide.

The chaplains are volunteers that donate their time to the city and the department. This valuable time includes; attending monthly meetings and being available for "on-call" duty weeks. The chaplains maintain a schedule between them to allow for twenty-four hour coverage seven days a week.

The chaplains also perform regular ride alongs with the officers during all three of the regular patrol shifts. These shifts with officers give the chaplains valuable experience and insight into the services provided by the officers and the police department. The chaplains also act as liaison with other religious leaders in the community.

During 2012, the chaplains assisted in the delivering of death notifications, counseling grieving families who experienced tragedy, and ministering to the officers of the Royal Oak Police Department.

Honor Guard



The Honor Guard Unit is a formal, specially trained unit that represents the department at events throughout the year. The 2012 unit began the year with ten members. The unit finished the year with seven members after two members resigned from the agency and a third stepped down from the unit. The Honor Guard now consists of one lieutenant, one sergeant, one detective and four patrol officers.

The honor guard represented the police department and city at five funerals during 2012. Two of the funerals were for duty related deaths to officers from other departments in Michigan. The remaining three were for retired Royal Oak officers that passed away during the year.

The unit marched in the St. Patrick's Day parade, the Holiday Magic parade and the Memorial Day parade. The honor guard also participated in the Veteran's Day service and attended the Shrine of the Little Flower's annual Blue Mass.

The honor guard continues to take great pride in its ability to represent the City of Royal Oak and the men and women of the police department.

Woodward Dream Cruise



Eighteen years ago, in Royal Oak Michigan, a few Woodward Avenue business owners convened over a burger and started reminiscing about “the old days”, when they cruised Woodward Avenue in the 50’s. At this meeting they devised a plan to start advertising a “Cruise” to be held on the 3rd Saturday of August. The first year started out with little fanfare, no special events, just cruising up and down Woodward in their old muscle cars.

Over the years, the cruise has grown exponentially, gaining corporate sponsors such as Eaton, GM, Ford, Toyota, Honda, WOMC and Visteon, among others. The Woodward Dream Cruise is billed as the largest one-day car show in the world, along with the largest cruise in the world, attracting 30,000 muscle cars, street rods, custom, collector and special interest vehicles. The cruise route embraces 16 miles, from the State Fair Grounds in Detroit to Pontiac, with an estimated 1.5 million spectators. Of these 1.5 million spectators, close to 1 million of them line Woodward Avenue between 10 Mile and 14 Mile Roads. Though the event is billed as a one-day event, it has expanded to an unofficial week long event.

It is unquestioned that Royal Oak serves as the epicenter of this event. The Dream Cruise originated in Royal Oak. It is in Royal Oak that a majority of the corporate sponsors lease space to showcase their products. Additionally, it is near Woodward and 13 Mile where the greatest concentration of people collect.

The ROPD takes on the leadership role to coordinate and direct all Law Enforcement meetings associated with the Dream Cruise. This year was no exception. Law Enforcement participants not only include police departments that are directly related to the Dream Cruise, but also the FBI, Oakland County Sheriffs Office, Oakland County Emergency Management and Oakland County Department of Health and Human Service.

Prior to and during the event, the Royal Oak Police Department serves as a clearinghouse for information to be disseminated to local police departments. We are able to disseminate information efficiently and effectively through a listserv email system that we developed.

Responsibility for coordinating the law enforcement assets for the Dream Cruise, requires much more than calling a few meetings. Planning for this event is more than scheduling the officers. The planning phase incorporates everything from coordinating amateur radio assistance to checking and approving Special Event Permits to organizing support from dozens of other police departments. It requires managing volunteers, providing lodging for our weekend prisoners and everything in between.

This planning process involves hundreds of hours of commitment for the Police Department and its administration, all in an effort to provide a safe family-oriented environment for everyone to enjoy.

Arts, Beats & Eats



This was the third year Royal Oak hosted the annual Ford Arts, Beats & Eats. This event is held on Labor Day weekend, Friday through Monday, and draws upwards of 400,000 visitors. The festival is located in our downtown and offers highly regarded Fine Art exhibits, more than 200 live performances on ten stages and local restaurants showcasing their cuisine.

Similar to preparing for the Dream Cruise; Arts, Beats & Eats involves extensive planning and coordination with outside agencies. The Michigan State Police, Oakland County Sheriff Office, CN Railway, and several other area departments send staff to supplement our resources.

Over the past three years, this department has continuously tweaked and revised the operational plan to ensure the event is safe, secure and enjoyable for those who attend. We utilize several different types of media such as radio, twitter and freeway messaging boards, to ensure the general public is well informed on where to park and how to best arrive to this event.



Grants/Awards

Throughout the year, the Royal Oak Police Department applied for and was awarded a number of different Grants and Awards that were provided at the state and federal level. Listed below is a summation of these grants and what they encompassed.

1. We sought out and were awarded the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in 2011 for the amount of \$13,084. We are utilizing this grant to purchase electronic investigative equipment.
2. The Police Department received \$20,179 from the Office of Highway Safety to enforce "Over the Limit. Under Arrest" and "Click It or Ticket" campaigns.
3. We also received \$3,148 in 2011 and \$5,115 in 2012 of federal grant money to purchase bulletproof vests for our officers.

Department Issued Awards 2012

BRAVERY	For an incident December 26, 2011 Officer Richard Chipman
OFFICER OF THE YEAR	Officer Richard Chipman
DETECTIVE OF THE YEAR	Detective Keith Spencer
COMMAND OFFICER OF THE YEAR	Lieutenant Thomas Goad
PSA OF THE YEAR	Stacey Sheldon
CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR	Janet Grobbel
MERITORIOUS SERVICE	For an incident on March 3, 2011 Officer Michael Stajich Officer Ronda Stewart

UNIT CITATION	Lieutenant Thomas Goad Sergeant Albert Carter Sergeant Michael Frazier Detective Donald Swiatkowski Detective Keith Spencer Detective Patrick Stanton Detective Carl Barrett
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Criminal Investigations unit for demonstrating the utmost professionalism and dedication to teamwork during the relentless four (4) day investigatory marathon into the Ranae Chupick homicide.

UNIT CITATION	Lieutenant Thomas Goad Sergeant Albert Carter Sergeant Michael Frazier Detective Donald Swiatkowski Detective Keith Spencer Detective Patrick Stanton Detective Carl Barrett
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Criminal Investigation unit for their instinctive and definitive investigation leading to the capture and arrest of two suspects, subsequently charged and ordered to stand trial, for the murder of Nancy Dailey

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UNIT CITATION

Interim Chief Corrigan O'Donohue	Deputy Chief Gordon Young	Lieutenant David Clemens
Lieutenant Thomas Goad	Lieutenant Donald Morris	Lieutenant Kenneth Nutter
Sergeant David VanNess	Sergeant Michael Moore	Sergeant William Sawyer
Sergeant Albert Carter	Sergeant Christopher Annetta	Sergeant David Szlezynghier
Sergeant Michael Frazier	Sergeant Ronald Durant	Sergeant Donald Scher
Sergeant Robert Reilly	Officer Bret Nelson	Officer Gena Smith
Officer Saura Stiner	Officer Terrence Oaks	Officer Zachary Nottle
Officer Brian Zelakiewicz	Officer Keith Bierenga	Officer David LaVasseur
Officer Cynthia Hill	Officer Timothy Brown	Officer Jamie Hill
Officer Andrew Izydorek	Officer David Jacquemain	Officer Lindsay Bowen
Officer Matthew Murray	Officer Donald Van Ochten	Officer David Roberts
Officer John Tobin	Officer David Budzynowski	Officer Brian Honsowetz
Officer William Wolas	Officer Brian Sobecki	Officer Robert Spellman
Officer AnnMarie Gasiorek	Officer David McLennan	Officer Catherine Szydlowski
Officer Timothy Wood	Officer James Wern	Officer Kenneth Spencer
Officer Brian Black	Officer Steven Teichow	Officer Constance Joswick
Officer Kevin Isaacson	Officer Timothy Storey	Officer James Stehlin
Officer David Hendry	Officer Michael Stajich	Officer Karly Wingart
Officer Richard Chipman	Officer Eric Baroky	Officer Stephen Scafone
PSA Sharyl Pace	Officer Richard Millard	Detective Patrick Stanton
PSA Maureen Carter	Officer Gerald Beauchamp	Detective Donald Swiatkowski
Admin. Asst. Janet Grobbel	Officer Paul Korb	Detective Perry Edgell
PEO Daniel Pickering	PSA Regina Chandler	Detective Carl Barretto
PEO Robert Burks	PSA Marsha Brubaker	Detective Keith Spencer
PEO William Thatcher	PSA Teri Murray	PSA Paul Urbanowicz
PEO Regis Fresch	Auxiliary Mike Bono	PSA Joseph Ivy
PEO Irenita Goedert	Auxiliary Mark Chopp	Auxiliary Darren Brewster
PEO Arthur Versace	Auxiliary David Mento	Auxiliary Robin Winter
PEO Ronald Machczynski	Auxiliary Kitt Proimos	Sayre Auxiliary William
PEO Richard Pressel	Auxiliary Jeannie DeRocher	Auxiliary Sherri Yorkey
Auxiliary Elmer Morehouse	Auxiliary Richard Bailey	Auxiliary Thomas Surnick
Auxiliary Daniel Mazur		

Police Department personnel for displaying calm demeanor while effectively coping with extraordinary weather conditions during the 2011 Woodward Dream Cruise and 2011 Arts, Beats and Eats.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION

For an incident on May 15, 2011

Officer Andrew Izydorek

CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION

For an incident on May 26, 2011

Officer Robert Spellman
Officer Brian Sobecki

CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION

For an incident on June 20, 2011

Officer Matthew Murray
Officer Kevin Isaacson
Officer Patrick Stanton

CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION

For an incident on November 5, 2011

Officer Terrence Oaks

CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION

For an incident on December 25, 2011

PSA Stacey Sheldon

LETTER OF RECOGNITION

For an incident on April 21, 2010

Officer James Wern

LETTER OF RECOGNITION

For an incident on August 28, 2011

Officer Matthew Murray
Officer Andrew Izydorek
Officer Brian Black
Officer Brian Zelakiewicz
Officer Cynthia Hill