

Mayor
Katherine Gallagher

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Police Department
Scott Mielke, Chief

January 30th, 2017

Mayor Gallagher and Members of City Council,

Enclosed is the Annual Report for the City's Police Department. The report includes a summary of the many services that we provide; Animal Control, Service and Enforcement, Crime Investigation, Juvenile Justice, Corrections and others.

In 2016 we saw a decrease in our Calls for Service as they dipped to 21,769, an 11% decrease from 2015. Our 911 phone calls increased approximately 1.5%. I attribute part of the decrease to the change in dispatching. 2016 was the first full year being dispatched by the Parma Regional Dispatch Center. In order to dispatch efficiently and effectively some procedures must be made standard across all 4 Cities, losing some of the accounting of services we used to track. The challenges of being dispatched from a Regional Dispatch Center continue and we work every day to overcome them and continue the high level of service our community has come to expect.

Brooklyn saw an increase in a number of major crimes in 2016, auto thefts, robberies and homicides all rose. We had 2 major homicides; the I-480 purposeful wrong way driver and the negligent shooting on Ridge Rd. Cuyahoga County is also treating deaths from heroin overdoses as homicides in order to track down dealers and charge them. We had 4 heroin overdose deaths in 2016. The heroin epidemic is a nationwide problem and Brooklyn has not been immune from it. Auto thefts and robberies can be directly related to the heroin epidemic that our community is experiencing. All too often users turn to stealing to help sustain the disease.

Our School Resource Officer program enters its 2nd school year and has been well received and successful. Our SRO assists the School community becoming a valuable resource for them. The program provides continuity and availability of our services to the schools strengthening our relationship.

Goals for 2017 include continuing to work toward the success of our partner Parma Regional Dispatch, expanding our presence in the community through programs like Coffee with A Cop, and working as efficiently and effectively as we can in our processes.

The challenges of budgetary limits and a deteriorating facility will continue throughout 2017. We will strive to achieve our mission of serving the Brooklyn community through our core values in our everyday acts.

The Police Department wishes to express our gratitude to Mayor Gallagher, the members of Council and all City Departments for their support, assistance and cooperation throughout 2016. We are looking forward to a safe and peaceful 2017.

Respectfully



Scott Mielke
Police Chief



**Brooklyn Police
Department**

**Annual Year End Report
2016**

Brooklyn Police Department

Mission Statement

It is the Brooklyn Police Department's mission to serve as partners with our citizens to maintain a safe and peaceful community. We commit ourselves to the preservation of life, protection of property, and safeguarding individual liberties. We are dedicated to accomplishing this with service, integrity, professionalism, pride, and respect.

The Brooklyn Police Department's Core Values

Service

We will perform our duties impartially for all who seek our assistance

Integrity

We hold ourselves accountable to the highest level of honesty, truthfulness and ethical conduct.

Professionalism

We are committed to the highest level of professional standards through development of highly trained and motivated employees.

Pride

We take pride in ourselves as individuals, our department as a team and our citizens as a community.

Respect

We will ensure that all persons are treated with equality, dignity and courtesy.

Brooklyn Police Department

2016 Active Roster

Police Chief Scott Mielke

Sgt. Dave Miller

Sgt. John Knapp

Patrol

Dayshift

Platoon A

Sgt Brad Esper

Ptl Mark Murphey

Ptl Chris Baxter

Ptl Jamie Roach

Ptl Tony Psota

Ptl Joe Bugaj

Platoon C

Sgt Doug Boyle

Ptl Doug Gasior

Ptl Mike Mackovjak

Ptl Shane Phillips

Ptl Adam McQuaid

Ptl TJ Schill

Night Shift

Platoon B

Sgt Cindy Eschweiler

Ptl Joe Traska

Ptl Steve Reitz

Ptl Tony Aftim

Ptl Brett Dalton

Ptl Kyle Pitts

Platoon D

Sgt Paul Stein

Ptl Brad Washburn

Ptl Mario Spremulli

Ptl Jared Kochmit

Ptl Phil Bungo

Ptl Dan Celis

School Resource Officer

Ptl Dan Meadows

Detective Bureau

Det Sgt Joe Tenhunfeld

Det Brian Glandorf Det Chris Frey Det Alex Zamblauskas

Animal Control

ACO Jennifer Bartkowski

Corrections

CO Mike Balina CO Rob Turner CO Marie Neff

Civilian

Supervisory Secretary Jackie Ans
LE Clerk Kay Ellis

Auxiliary Police

Capt Gary Sundemeier	Aux Sharon Raushenbach
Sgt Rich Hovan	Aux Donna Kennedy
Sp Jim Catania	Aux Vernon Cutright
Sp Lenny Podolak	Aux John DeAngelo
Sp Bill Udics	Aux Robert Saggio
Sp John Albany	Sp Nick Anikienko
Sgt Bob Gerber	Sgt Mike Balina Sr,
	Aux Joe Salem

School Guards

Brigitte Koontz	Sharon Raushenbach
Ritz Beaver	Denny Esper
Ann Pecek	Jane Sroka
Linda Yankovitz	Ron Yankovitz
Sharon Laule	Linda Mitchell
Christine Moralevitz	Chrissy Moralevitz
Joyce Nekl	Annie Ecklund

Part Time Corrections

CO Terry Synder	CO Russ Jaenke
CO Anthony Gordon	CO Paul Marich

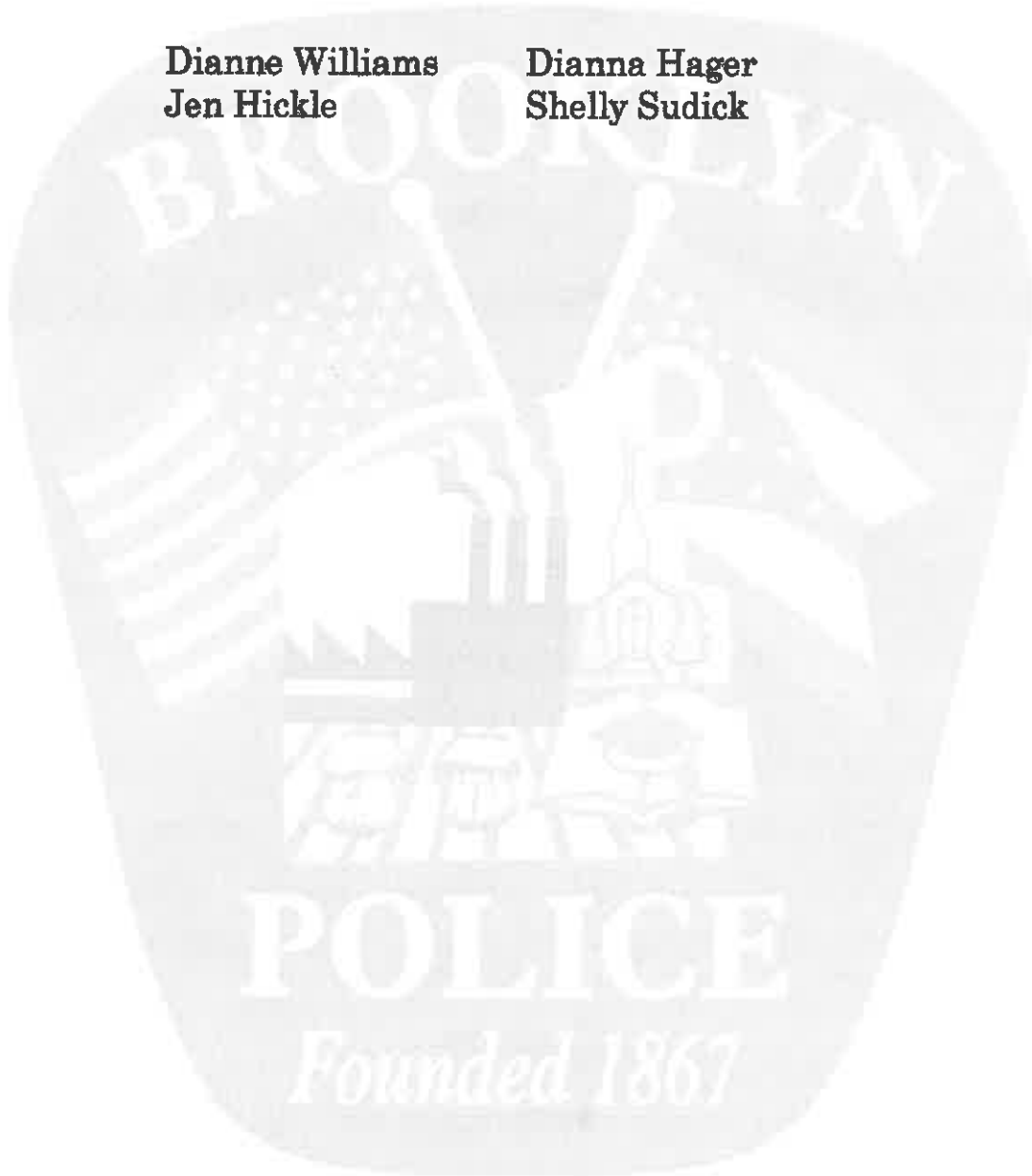
CO James Yeager
CO Jame Albert
CO Jerice Bonner

CO Tyrone Burton
CO Brandon Marquard
CO Johnsie Wilson

Part Time LE Clerks

Dianne Williams
Jen Hickle

Dianna Hager
Shelly Sudick





**Brooklyn Police
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Corrections

2016

Brooklyn Corrections Report 2016

Males 890

Females 583

Total 1473

15% increase from 2015 Total of 1278

Average housed per day 7

Average prisoner stay 3.6 days

Total Cost of Prisoner Food \$19,985

Cost of Laundry & Supplies \$6,892

Cost of Prisoner Medical Care \$10,879



**Brooklyn Police
Department**

Crime Statistics

2016

2016 Brooklyn Police Department Crime Statistics

2016	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	TOTAL
Rape*	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Robbery*	1	4	0	2	2	0	2	0	3	0	1	0	15
Assault*	9	9	9	2	6	9	4	2	4	4	4	4	66
Burglary*	4	1	3	2	1	4	7	4	8	3	3	4	44
Theft*	36	40	48	53	59	45	44	35	61	54	52	58	585
Stolen Auto*	3	3	4	3	5	3	6	4	2	2	1	8	44
Homicide*	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Arson*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Theft from MV	1	1	4	5	1	2	4	3	1	2	6	2	32

Value of Stolen Property*	36,212	31,871	45,229	43,379	27,719	38,117	150,696	42,272	118,763	37,811	46,610	77,812	\$696,491
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GTMV	3	3	4	3	5	3	6	4	2	2	1	8	44
Total Value	4,500	10,000	14,000	9,453	9,800	16,700	70,274	34,000	37,000	18,000	16,000	41,100	280,827

COMPARISON TO 2015 STATS

RAPE	33% INCREASE
ROBBERY	114% INCREASE
ASSAULT	8% INCREASE
BURGLARY	15% DECREASE
THEFT	12% INCREASE
AUTO THEFT	52% INCREASE
HOMICIDE	200% INCREASE
THEFT from AUTO	52% DECREASE
VALUE OF STOLEN PROPERTY	78% INCREASE

INCREASE

DECREASE

NO CHANGE

FELONY CASES SENT TO CCPO

MALE	84
FEMALE	22
TOTAL	106

2016

2015 Brooklyn Police Department Crime Statistics

2014	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	TOTAL
Rape*	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Robbery*	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	7
Assault*	2	6	8	10	6	5	5	3	2	5	2	7	61
Burglary*	2	0	2	6	7	8	4	8	5	3	5	2	52
Theft*	48	34	38	25	53	43	54	37	40	52	50	47	521
Stolen Auto*	2	2	0	1	3	5	2	5	2	2	3	2	29
Homicide*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson*	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Theft from MV	6	3	4	3	8	8	6	4	4	10	4	7	67

Value of Stolen Property*	16,883	21,985	12,906	21,863	51,607	23,320	25,862	60,279	40,008	46,293	48,067	22,963	\$392,036
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GTMV	2	2	0	1	3	5	2	5	2	2	3	2	29
Total Value	4,000	7,200	0	2,500	14,400	9,600	8,000	43,000	12,700	23,000	23,500	8,000	155,900

COMPARISON TO 2014 STATS

RAPE	50% decrease
ROBBERY	53% decrease
ASSAULT	10% decrease
BURGLARY	16% decrease
THEFT	11% decrease
AUTO THEFT	45% decrease
HOMICIDE	100% decrease
THEFT from AUTO	8% increase
VALUE OF STOLEN PROPERTY	36% decrease

INCREASE
DECREASE
NO CHANGE

FELONY CASES SENT TO CCPO	
MALE	81
FEMALE	27
TOTAL	108

2015

*As reported per Federal Bureau of Investigation Uniform Crime Reporting Program



**Brooklyn Police
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Service and Enforcement

2016

Service and Enforcement Activity 2016

Total Calls for Service 21,769

down 11% from 2015

January	1752	February	1819	March	2051
April	2053	May	1842	June	1625
July	1814	August	1892	September	1669
October	1764	November	1917	December	1571

911 Calls	4538
2015	4,465
2014	4,240
2013 -	4,276

MVA Calls	802
MVAs with Injury	118
Private Property MVAs	170

Traffic Citations 3989

OVI Arrests 132

Cell Phone Citations 364

Seat Belt Citations 115

Parking Citations 744

Misdemeanors Arrests 715
Domestic Violence Arrests 41

Felony Arrests 106
Domestic Violence Arrests 8

Towed Vehicles 330



**Brooklyn Police
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Juvenile Justice

2016

2016 Juvenile Court Filings

Filings by Month

January 0

February 0

March 5

April 3

May 1

June 1

July 14

August 13

September 6

October 5

November 10

December 12

Total 70

Females: 23

Males: 47

Direct admits to Detention Home: 4

Previous Years

2015 Filings 54

Direct admits to Detention Home: 10

2014 Filings 70

Direct admits to Detention Home: 3

January 20, 2017

City of Brooklyn
Juvenile Diversion Program
2016 Annual Report

Statistics:	Increase in Diversion Participants from 2015 by 1	
	Diversion Participants of Juveniles from the City of Brooklyn's Diversion Program increased from 15 to a total of 16	
Case Referrals back to Juvenile Court		5 (increase by 3 from 2015)
Juveniles:	Not from Brooklyn	11
Juveniles:	From Brooklyn	5
Repeat Offenders:	0 (as Ordered by Juvenile Court)	
Participants:	Males	7
	Females	9
Total Diversion Participants		<u>16</u>

Total Community Service Hours Assigned by Volunteer Magistrate for the City of Brooklyn Diversion Participants: 328, 12 issued hours more than diversion year 2015.

Referrals to Project REAL: 0

Prepared by: Lou Galizio, Juvenile Diversion Coordinator, City of Brooklyn



**Brooklyn Police
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Training

2016

Training

The Brooklyn Police Department participated in approximately 1,520 hours of training in 2016. We averaged approximately 40 hours of training per sworn officer.

Among the various topics covered were Bicycle Safety, Bleeding Control, Crisis Intervention Team Training, Domestic Violence, First Aid, Naloxone, Search and Seizure and Laws of Arrest, and Subject Control and Self Defense.

In addition to the above training every officer completed approximately 18 hours of practical firearm training. The Parma and Avon Police Departments allowed our officers to use their range facilities to complete our annual qualifications and develop proficiency in handgun, patrol rifle and shotgun skills.

All officers were mandated by the State of Ohio to complete 11 hours of Continuing Professional Training (CPT) in the following categories:

- Community-Police Relations (e.g., Implicit Bias, Procedural Justice, Blue Courage) (4 hours)
- Crisis De-escalation with Focus on Mental Illness (2 hours)
- Constitutional Use of Force (2 hours)
- Human Trafficking (1 hour)
- General Law Enforcement (2 hours)

In additional to the above



**Brooklyn Police
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Community Engagement

2016

Community Engagement

Community engagement has always been an important part of our mission. Our Department continues to provide our community with opportunities to meet and interact with our officers. Group tours of the police station, Right to Read guest readers, Safety Fairs and presentations, and the Memorial Day Gather and Grill have been staples over the years. This past year members of our Police Department invited and met with our faith community in an effort to strengthen our relationship. As part of our effort to be even more involved in our community the Brooklyn Police Department enhanced our visibility through a system of community “drop ins.” A “drop in” is an informal presence at a social gathering where guest officers demonstrate interest and respect by their presence during a short visit.

Senior Center Drop Ins

We began this outreach program by dropping in at the Senior Center. Officers visited the Senior Center every Tuesday between 11:00 am and noon for their Soup and Sandwich day, and every Thursday between 11:30 and 12:30 for their Luncheons. The visit consists of a brief visit (15 – 20 minutes), without an agenda or formal topic of discussion. Officers introduce themselves, and entertain any conversation with the attendees. The Police Department scheduled 44 visits dedicating 22 hours.

Bicycle Patrol Unit

The Bicycle Patrol Unit is another facet of our department’s proactive approach to law enforcement and service to our community. The bicycle unit, comprised of 8 officers, is both an aid to furthering positive community relations as well as a sensible approach to patrolling the unique districts in the city of Brooklyn. These include areas such as our school campuses, alleyways, business parking lots as well as our parks and community events.

The Bicycle Patrol Unit supports the Safe Routes to School program in April following spring break through the rest of the school year. We patrol 2 hours before school and 2 hours after school. The Summer Bicycle Patrol begins with the Memorial Day Parade and rides through the Labor Day weekend. The hours are from 11 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. The Bicycle Detail dedicated 536 hours to Safe Routes to School, and 1,088 hours to Summer Bicycle Patrol.

This unit also attended the Safe Routes bicycle rodeo in May and a number of other safety fairs at Lowes, Home Depot and Sam’s Club/Walmart

Coffee with a Cop

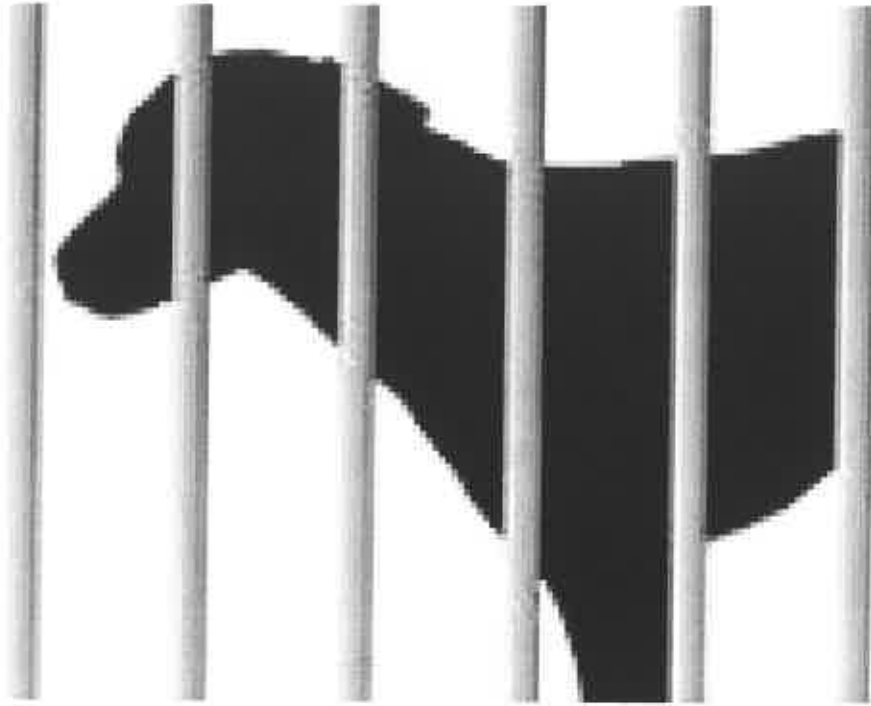
A new initiative this year was Coffee with a Cop. Coffee with a Cop is a program that brings police officers and the community they serve together over coffee, to discuss issues and learn more about each other. By removing the cars, the radios and other distractions that usually accompany a citizen-officer encounter, you can have a normal conversation, in a casual atmosphere. The Police Department held 2 Coffee with a Cop Events this year. Over the course of an hour we build rapport and get to know members of the community by sharing experiences, and discussing the issues facing the community.

School Resource Officer – Patrol Officer Dan Meadows

Our SRO program entered into its second school year. The program is paying big dividends for the department. SRO Dan Meadows not only provides a security presence on the new school campus, but is able to quickly and effectively identify issues and problems with students, parents and staff. Officer Meadows coordinated a K9 sniff of the High School at the request of the school administration in October. SRO Meadows monitors traffic flow before and after school, tracks down truants and out of district enrollees, and provides overall support to teachers and staff on a daily basis. SRO Meadows attended a number of School Safety trainings and conferences over the year and provided instruction to Brooklyn school staff on school security issues and concerns.

Summer Internship Program

The summer of 2016 our department participated in the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce's initial internship program. A rising senior at Brooklyn High School in the Criminal Justice track at Polaris Career Center was hosted over the summer months. The student was exposed to our department's inner workings and tasked with completing a number of projects. Ride-a-longs and shadowing officers were some of the experiences shared. The internship program proved to be mutually beneficial.



**Brooklyn Police
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Animal Control

2016

ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL YEAR-END TOTALS FOR 2016

TOTAL NUMBER OF ANIMALS AT LARGE IMPOUNDED

DOGS UNDER 6 MONTHS- 2

DOGS OVER 6 MONTHS - 65

CATS UNDER 6 MONTHS- 31

CATS OVER 6 MONTHS - 45

OTHER DOMESTIC - 0

WILDLIFE- INJURED/SICK - 16

TOTAL NUMBER OF ANIMALS RELINQUISHED BY OWNER

DOGS UNDER 6 MONTHS- 0

DOGS OVER 6 MONTHS - 0

CATS UNDER 6 MONTHS - 4

CATS OVER 6 MONTHS - 6

OTHER -- 1

TOTAL NUMBER OF ANIMALS RETURNED TO OWNER

DOGS UNDER 6 MONTHS- 2
DOGS OVER 6 MONTHS - 40
CATS UNDER 6 MONTHS- 3
CATS OVER 6 MONTHS - 1
OTHER - 0

TOTAL NUMBER OF ANIMALS TRANSFERRED TO RESCUE

DOGS UNDER 6 MONTHS- 0
DOGS OVER 6 MONTHS - 20
CATS UNDER 6 MONTHS - 24
CATS OVER 6 MONTHS - 35
WILDLIFE - 9

TOTAL NUMBER OF ANIMALS ADOPTED

DOGS UNDER 6 MONTHS- 0
DOGS OVER 6 MONTHS - 1
CATS UNDER 6 MONTHS - 1
CATS OVER 6 MONTHS - 3
OTHER DOMESTIC - 1

TOTAL NUMBER OF ANIMALS EUTHANIZED

DOGS UNDER 6 MONTHS- 0
DOGS OVER 6 MONTHS - 2
DOGS 6+ MONTHS DOA - 2
CATS UNDER 6 MONTHS - 2
CATS UNDER 6 MONTHS DOA- 5
CATS OVER 6 MONTHS - 4
CATS 6+ MONTHS DOA - 3
OTHER DOMESTIC - 0
WILDLIFE - 3
WILDLIFE DOA - 4

TOTAL NUMBER OF TRAPS SET FOR CATS BY LOCATION – 5

TOTAL NUMBER OF CATS TNR (TRAP, NEUTER, RETURN) – 5 CATS

TOTAL NUMBER OF CITATIONS SERVED- 5

TOTAL AMOUNT OF IMPOUND FEES COLLECTED - \$250.00

TOTAL NUMBER OF PHONE CALLS RECEIVED TO VOICEMAIL AND RESPONDED TO – approx 710

TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONETARY DONATIONS – \$145.00

TOTAL BITE REPORTS TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH- 1

I continue to have a working relationship with several area rescues and this network allows me to place all of my healthy and adoptable animals. No healthy and/or adoptable animals were euthanized- they were either transferred to rescue or adopted to families at no cost to the adopter. Rescues that have helped are Voices in the Dark (now closed) Fido's Companion, Berea Animal Rescue, the Cleveland APL, the Cuyahoga County Kennel, the Friendship APL in Lorain, Island Safe Harbor Animal Sanctuary in Port Clinton, Ruff House Rescue and 2 rescues I've recently started working a great deal with, Forever Friends and Euclid Beach Cat Rescue.

The Lake Erie Nature and Science Center continues to be an invaluable resource. Anytime I have a wildlife question they are always immediately available to educate me. Not to mention being there to take injured wildlife at no cost.

Lakewood Animal Hospital has continued to provide outstanding service and always accommodates me when I have an emergency. They continue to be very good to the City and also continue to donate supplies for the animals.

Last but not least my 2 volunteers Carolyn Zorn and Annette Turner who help care for all of the animals as needed and regularly donate not only their time but supplies such as food, litter, toys, bedding, collars, etc...They have been an unbelievable asset to this Department and the City. There are also donations of food, litter, bedding, etc... donated by residents and people dropping off strays. This year we had another dryer donated when the old one broke. Shawn Marapese has donated a shipment of cat food and litter that is delivered every 8 weeks to the facility and residents John and Jennifer Dillinger regularly donate supplies for the cats and kittens.



**Brooklyn Police
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Mayor's Court

2016

JANUARY 4, 2017

Dear Mayor Katherine Gallagher:

The following is a comparison of fines taken by the Mayor's Court for the years 2015 & 2016.

<u>2015 COURT FINES/COSTS</u>		<u>2016 COURT FINES/COSTS</u>		<u>DIFFERENCE/YTD</u>
January	\$46,022.82	January	\$45,708.00	-\$ 314.82
February	\$47,234.81	February	\$65,767.20	\$18,217.57
March	\$51,852.94	March	\$72,694.57	\$39,059.20
April	\$64,532.20	April	\$79,630.20	\$54,157.20
May	\$55,927.60	May	\$91,559.00	\$89,788.60
June	\$59,739.10	June	\$82,218.30	\$112,267.80
July	\$69,277.20	July	\$40,695.50	\$ 83,686.10
August	\$60,287.50	August	\$58,238.00	\$ 81,636.60
September	\$64,253.60	September	\$65,730.00	\$ 83,113.00
October	\$49,664.53	October	\$50,783.70	\$ 84,232.17
November	\$52,530.46	November	\$52,831.00	\$ 84,532.71
December	\$71,968.74	December	\$63,114.50	\$ 75,678.47

Sincerely,

Jill S. Cifranic
Clerk of Courts