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Police Department
Scott Mielke, Chief

January 29, 2020

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.

In 2019 we saw a 16% increase in our Calls for Service to 23,479. The increase has to do with the change in dispatch services in July and the classification of calls for service. In the past warrant entries were not counted and now are more appropriately counted to better reflect department workload. Overdoses and heroin related calls for service remain a concern. Narcan continues to be our most effective response.

In July, to provide better service to the community and our officers, we transitioned from Parma Regional Dispatch (PRDC) to the newly created Chagrin Valley Dispatch Center in Brecksville (CVD). CVD's administration has been very responsive to ironing out issues as they arise. One key benefit of the switch was the return to an unshared radio channel.

We saw the unexpected retirement of Det. Sgt. Joe Tenhunfeld in September after adding new Patrol Officer Terrence Duncan in July. Unfortunately, we worked the entire year without 1 patrol officer who was a victim of an assault and is still out on medical leave. We look forward to adding more patrol officers in 2020.

We proudly continue to provide services that many other Police Departments have eliminated; vehicle lockouts, vacation checks, bicycle patrol, Drop-In visits, City park checks, and Santa's Annual Visit and Shop with a Cop.

Our main goal for 2020 is to keep up with technology. As such, we will look to upgrade our current body-worn and in car camera system. The body-worn and in car camera system have proven to be a valuable tool in providing incriminating evidence in the prosecution of criminal cases.

We continue to look for ways to benefit our community through partnerships and shared services with neighboring communities. Partnerships and sharing resources allow us to provide services that individually, our department may not be able to provide.

This year, we have successfully shared a full-time Animal Control Officer with the city of Parma Heights. Additionally, we share in the cost of advanced electronic evidence collection technology with Parma and Parma Heights. Our three cities participate in a growing regional Traffic Accident Investigation team. The team has expanded to include Brook Park, and Seven Hills. These highly trained officers investigate serious and fatal motor vehicle accidents. Our multijurisdictional special tactical team – Southwest Enforcement Bureau now includes a Mobile Field Force unit. This unit is a force multiplier and responds to large-scale events if needed. It includes 3 officers from our department.

The Police Department wishes to express our gratitude to Mayor Gallagher, the members of the Council and all City Departments for their support, assistance, and cooperation throughout 2019. We are looking forward to a safe and peaceful 2020.

Respectfully



Scott Mielke
Police Chief



**Brooklyn Police
Department**

**Annual Year End Report
2019**

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

2019 Active Roster

Chief Scott Mielke

Sgt. Dave Miller

Sgt. John Knapp

Patrol

Day Shift

Platoon A

Sgt Brad Esper
Ptl Mark Murphey
Ptl Chris Baxter
Ptl Jamie Roach
Ptl Tony Psota
Ptl Tony Aftim
Ptl Phil Bungo

Platoon C

Sgt Doug Boyle
Ptl Doug Gasior
Ptl Mike Mackovjak
Ptl Shane Phillips
Ptl TJ Schill
Ptl Brad Washburn

Night Shift

Platoon B

Sgt Cindy Eschweiler
Ptl Joe Traska
Ptl Steve Reitz
Ptl Brett Dalton
Ptl Kyle Pitts

Platoon D

Sgt Paul Stein
Ptl Mario Spremulli
Ptl Jared Kochmit
Ptl Dan Celis
Ptl Terrence Duncan

School Resource Officer

Ptl Dan Meadows

Detective Bureau

Det Sgt Joe Tenhunfeld*

Det Brian Glandorf

Det Chris Frey

Det Adam MCQuaid

Det Joe Bugaj

*Retired September 25th 2019

Animal Control

ACO Miranda Braude

Corrections

CO Mike Balina

CO Tony Kolbosky

CO Marie Neff

LE Clerk

Kay Ellis

Auxiliary Police

Capt Gary Sundemeier	Aux Mike DeAngelo
Sgt Rich Hovan	Aux Donna Kennedy
Sp Jim Catania	Aux Vernon Cutright
Aux John DeAngelo	Aux Robert Saggio
Sp Nick Anikienko	Sgt Bob Gerber
Sgt Mike Balina Sr.	Aux Joe Salem
Aux Dan Simko	Aux Ray Slimak

School Guards

Brigitte Koontz	Sharon Raushenbach
Rita Beaver	Denny Esper
Ann Pecek	Jane Sroka
Linda Yankovitz	Ron Yankovitz
Sharon Laule	Linda Mitchell
Christine Moralevitz	Chrissy Moralevitz
Joyce Nekl	Gizzela Martincic
Mary Slimak	

Part Time Corrections

CO Russ Jaenke	
CO Anthony Gordon	CO Paul Marich
CO James Yeager	CO James Albert
CO Jerice Bonner	CO Johnsie Wilson

Part Time LE Clerks

Dianne Williams	Dianna Hager	Jen Hickle
Shelly Sudick	Reanna Verian	



**Brooklyn Police
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Animal Control

2019

Animal Control

The Brooklyn Police Department's Animal Control Officer Miranda Braude began 2019 as a full time shared employee with the City of Parma Heights. The change to full time Animal Control benefited the residents of both Cities immensely. The ACO's increased availability provided opportunities to be more proactive in responding to complaints and more thorough in follow ups.

The revision of the City's animal ordinances started in late 2018 was completed and implemented in early 2019.

ACO Braude would like to thank the following animal organizations that have assisted our department throughout 2019 – the Parma Animal Shelter, Emerald Animal Hospital & Grooming, Pet Supply Plus, Lake Erie Nature and Science Center, the Cleveland APL, The Senior Sanctuary for Dogs, and Cuyahoga County Kennels.

As it has been in the past, it's Brooklyn Animal Control's goal to find a forever home for all healthy and adoptable animals.

There were **530 total calls** for service concerning Brooklyn animals in 2019. This is a 28% increase from 2018.

Impounded Dogs	59
Returned to Owner	42
Adopted –	1
Rescue	16
E/C (euthanized)	0
Impounded Cats	23
Returned to Owner	4
Adopted –	10
Rescue	2
E/C (euthanized)	7
Wildlife	
Nuisance/Sick/Injured –	68
Euthanized -	7



**Brooklyn Police
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Community Engagement

2019

Community Engagement

Drop Ins

We continued our Drop In outreach program in 2019. 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.

In addition, we Drop In at The Buddy Club Basketball and Baseball programs. The Buddy Club programs are for individuals with special needs to include their family and friends. The focus will be on developing skills as well as increasing social interaction with friends in a community based setting.

Due to an increase in bank robberies in the greater Cleveland area we expanded the Drop In Program to include the banks in our community.

Bicycle Detail

The bicycle 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 Detail dedicated approximately 696 hours to Safe Routes to School. We dedicated approximately 1068 hours to Summer Bicycle Patrol.

The Safe Routes to School detail started in April following spring break through the end 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 September. The detail rides from 3:00 p.m. – 11 p.m. on Thursdays, 11 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and 11:00 a.m. – 7 p.m. on Sundays.

Coffee with a Cop

Coffee with a Cop is a program that brings police officers and the community we 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. 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.

Additional Events

In addition, BPD participated in the following community events:

- Brooklyn City Schools Touch a Truck and Bike Rodeo
- Brooklyn City Schools Walk to School Week
- Memorial Day Parade
- Fall Fest
- 2 Halloween events
- 2 Shop with a Cop events
- Home Depot Safety Day
- Lowe's Safety Day
- Walmart School Supply Drive
- Chamber of Commerce Picnic in the Park



**Brooklyn Police
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Corrections

2019

2019 Corrections Report

Males 556

Females 369

Total 925

19.5% decrease from 2018 Total of 1,150

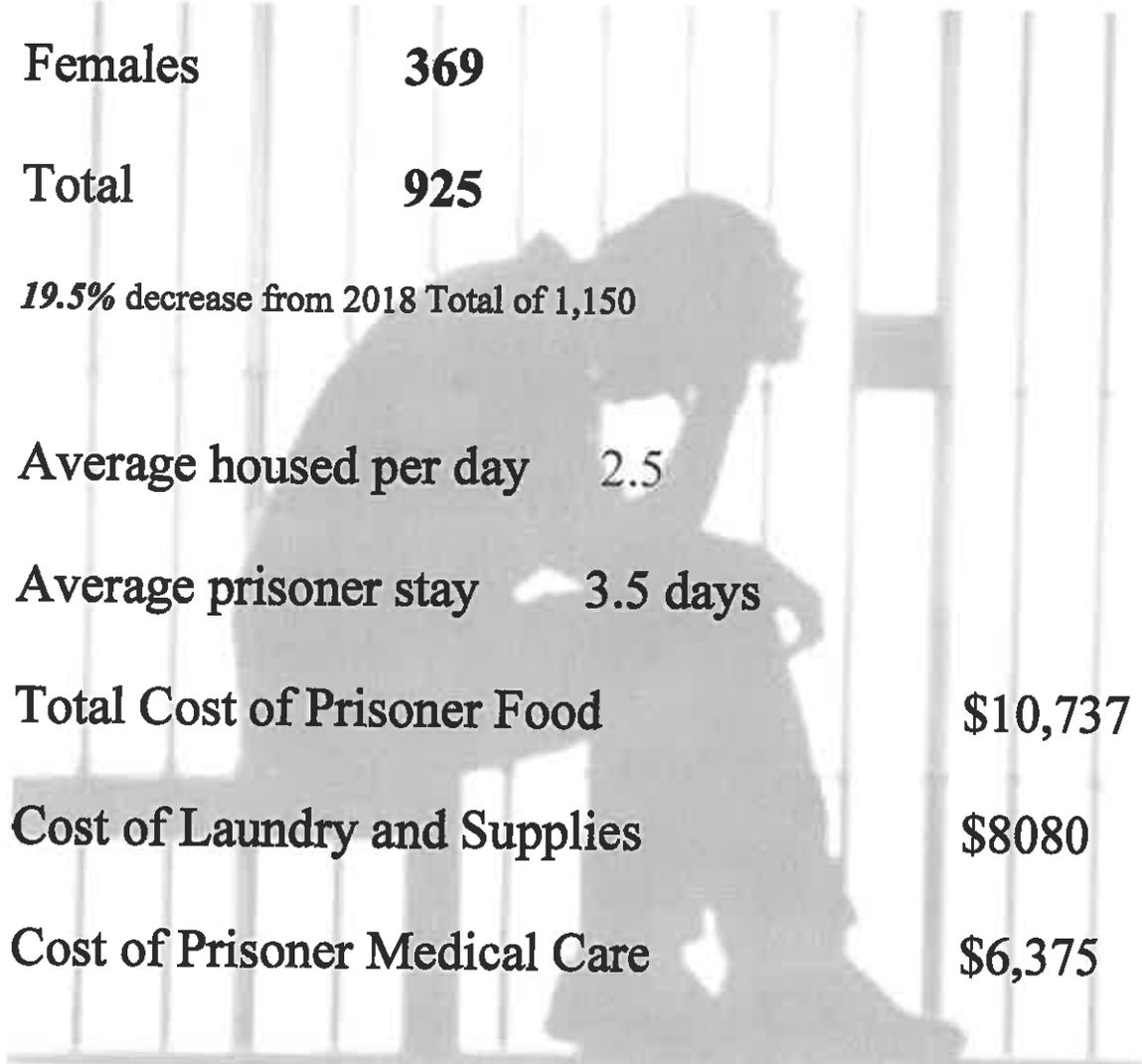
Average housed per day 2.5

Average prisoner stay 3.5 days

Total Cost of Prisoner Food \$10,737

Cost of Laundry and Supplies \$8080

Cost of Prisoner Medical Care \$6,375





**Brooklyn Police
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Crime Statistics

2019

2019 Brooklyn Police Department Crime Statistics

2019	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	TOTAL
Rape*	0	1	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	7
Robbery*	3	1	0	0	3	0	1	1	2	0	1	0	12
Assault*	1	2	7	3	6	7	3	8	2	2	6	1	48
Burglary*	1	5	3	2	2	2	1	6	1	3	1	2	29
Theft*	37	28	27	42	41	39	48	48	57	49	29	52	497
Stolen Auto*	0	1	0	0	1	2	2	3	2	2	2	3	18
Homicide*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Theft from MV	1	1	1	6	3	2	3	8	6	6	8	4	49

Value of Stolen Property*	19,155	71,598	11,906	19,660	81,604	27,111	51,867	71,657	101,985	20,872	43,548	51,495	\$572,458
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GTMV	0	1	0	0	1	2	2	3	2	2	2	3	18
Total Value	0	48,000	0	0	1,700	8,700	18,000	38,000	7,963	7,000	19,060	9,500	157,923

COMPARISON TO 2018 STATS

RAPE	75 % INCREASE
ROBBERY	14 % DECREASE
ASSAULT	16 % DECREASE
BURGLARY	17 % DECREASE
THEFT	2 % DECREASE
AUTO THEFT	22 % DECREASE
HOMICIDE	NO CHANGE
THEFT from AI	104 % INCREASE
VALUE OF STOLEN PROPERTY	11 % DECREASE

FELONY CASES SENT TO CCPO	
MALE	74
FEMALE	14
TOTAL	84



2019

FELONY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	4
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*As reported per Federal Bureau of Investigation Uniform Crime Reporting Program

2018 Brooklyn Police Department Crime Statistics

2018	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	TOTAL
Rape*	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	4
Robbery*	2	1	1	1	1	0	1	2	2	1	2	0	14
Assault*	6	2	4	4	7	3	6	8	2	6	5	4	57
Burglary*	3	1	1	5	0	1	5	3	4	3	5	4	35
Theft*	51	52	36	26	43	41	34	41	54	42	51	37	508
Stolen Auto*	5	0	1	4	5	1	2	0	1	0	3	1	23
Homicide*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Theft from MV	1	2	2	2	4	6	0	1	2	3	1	0	24

Value of Stolen Property*	168,544	197,368	25,979	42,697	38,873	38,183	38,737	15,389	18,228	17,995	22,104	17,747	\$641,844
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GTMV	5	0	1	2	1	4	2	0	1	0	3	1	20
Total Value	147,877	0	10,000	8,900	1,000	77,600	18,500	0	3,000	0	6,000	5,600	278,477

COMPARISON TO 2017 STATS

RAPE	20 % DECREASE
ROBBERY	56 % INCREASE
ASSAULT	12 % DECREASE
BURGLARY	13 % INCREASE
THEFT	17 % DECREASE
AUTO THEFT	32 % DECREASE
HOMICIDE	100 % DECREASE
THEFT from AI	44 % DECREASE
VALUE OF STOLEN PROPERTY	17 % DECREASE

INCREASE

DECREASE

NO CHANGE

FELONY CASES SENT TO CCPO	
MALE	65
FEMALE	19
TOTAL	84

2018

FELONY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	2
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*As reported per Federal Bureau of Investigation Uniform Crime Reporting Program

2017 Brooklyn Police Department Crime Statistics

2017	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	TOTAL
Rape*	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	5
Robbery*	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	9
Assault*	7	6	5	10	2	5	1	5	8	8	5	3	65
Burglary*	3	3	1	3	3	6	2	2	3	2	1	2	31
Theft*	53	41	43	35	52	52	50	52	66	63	52	53	612
Stolen Auto*	3	3	7	2	1	4	2	1	4	2	2	3	34
Homicide*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Arson*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Theft from MV	4	6	8	2	5	4	2	4	2	3	2	1	43

Value of Stolen Property*	53,997	49,852	55,422	17,163	51,405	114,245	128,417	77,539	59,225	39,378	43,219	85,054	\$774,916
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GTMV	3	3	7	2	1	4	2	1	4	2	2	3	34
Total Value	17,500	7,655	12,100	8,900	1,000	77,600	33,000	20,000	29,500	19,300	3,500	57,000	287,055

COMPARISON TO 2015 STATS

RAPE	25 % INCREASE
ROBBERY	40 % DECREASE
ASSAULT	2 % DECREASE
BURGLARY	30 % DECREASE
THEFT	5 % INCREASE
AUTO THEFT	23 % DECREASE
HOMICIDE	50 % DECREASE
THEFT from AUTO	34% INCREASE
VALUE OF STOLEN PROPERTY	11 % INCREASE

FELONY CASES SENT TO CCPO	
MALE	97
FEMALE	26
TOTAL	123

INCREASE
DECREASE
NO CHANGE

2017

FELONY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	5
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*As reported per Federal Bureau of Investigation Uniform Crime Reporting Program



**Brooklyn Police
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Juvenile Justice

2019

2019 JUVENILE COURT FILINGS

Filings by Month:

January	5	<u>FEMALE</u>	
February	1	White	2
March	5	Black	5
April	4	Hispanic	0
May	1	Asian	0
June	4	Other	0
July	2	Total	7
August	2	<u>MALE</u>	
September	3	White	19
October	3	Black	23
November	0	Hispanic	1
December	4	Asian	0
		Other	0
		Total	40

Direct Admissions to DH

Total **4**

Total Filings – 47

January 3, 2020

City of Brooklyn
Juvenile Diversion Program
2019 Annual Report

Statistics: Increase of 6 Diversion Participants from 2018 to 2019

Diversion Participants of Juveniles from the City of Brooklyn's Diversion Program total 4

Case Referrals back to Juvenile Court 4 (increased by 2 from 2018)

Juveniles: Not from Brooklyn 10

Juveniles: From Brooklyn 4

Repeat Offenders: 0 (as Ordered by Juvenile Court)

Participants: Males 13
Females 1

Total Diversion Participants 14

Total Community Service Hours Assigned by Volunteer Magistrate for the 2019 Year-City of Brooklyn Diversion Participants: 340; 144 more service hours more than diversion year 2018.

Referrals to Project REAL: 0

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



**Brooklyn Police
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Service and Enforcement

2019

Service and Enforcement Activity 2019

Total Calls for Service 23,479

Up 16% from 2018
*changed to CVD Center 7/17/19

January	1484	February	1558	March	1658
April	1431	May	1603	June	1472
July*	2037	August	2479	September	2648
October	2561	November	2321	December	2227

Motor Vehicle Accident/MVA Calls 728

Property Damage only	265
MVAs with Injury	113
Private Property/Late MVAs	350

Traffic Citations 3,266

OVI Arrests 62

Cell Phone/ FTA Citations 300

Seat Belt Citations 26

Parking Citations 1046

Misdemeanors Arrests 889

Warrant arrests 359

Domestic Violence Arrests 26

Felony Arrests 84

Domestic Violence Arrests 2



**Brooklyn Police
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Training

2019

Training

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section §109.803, the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission is required to set a minimum number of hours for continuing professional training (CPT). The minimum number of hours is based upon funding available for reimbursement. No funding was available for 2019. Therefore, the commission did not mandate any CPT hours for 2019.

Nevertheless, the commission does recommend each agency continue to build toward the 40 hours of annual advanced training for each of its officer and focus on specific topics as previously recommended. Topic recommendations continue to be:

- Legal updates
- Community-police relationships
- Mental health and crisis de-escalation
- Refresher training for perishable skills in a reality-based training environment
- Use of Force policy review

The Brooklyn Police Department followed the described recommendations of the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission and recorded 1,492.18 hours of continuing professional training in 2019. That is approximately 48 hours per officer.