



POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT

Wethersfield



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SPECIAL PROJECTS / ACHIEVEMENTS / INNOVATIONS

On December 27, 2018 officers responded to a two-car motor vehicle accident with injuries. On January 7, 2019 the Wethersfield Police Department was contacted by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner and advised that an occupant of one of the vehicles passed away. This motor vehicle accident was re-assigned to a Wethersfield PD Officer that is assigned as a member of the Mid-State Accident Reconstruction Team. This case remains under investigation.

The Wethersfield Police Cadets participated in practical skills training "Investigations and EDP"

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

Patrol Division

Patrol Division (Cases of Interest)

On Thursday, January 3, 2019 at approximately 1:54 AM an officer observed a vehicle parked and running on a residential street with a person moving inside the vehicle. As the officer pulled up behind the vehicle the operator quickly accelerated away, engaging the officer in pursuit. The operator attempted to turn left on the Silas Deane Highway but lost control of the vehicle, striking and going over the curb, striking the Wethersfield Police sign and another curb before coming to rest in the northeast grassy area of the Wethersfield Police Department. The operator acknowledged that his vehicle was not registered or insured. The operator was charged with Engaging an Officer in Pursuit, Reckless Driving, Failure to Insure Private Motor Vehicle, Operating an Unregistered Motor Vehicle and Operating a Motor Vehicle without a License.

On Friday, January 11, 2019 at approximately 2:12 AM an officer observed a vehicle at a local motel that led him to believe a person wanted on two arrest warrants, one for assaulting an officer, was staying at the motel. Later the same morning officers located the male inside a motel room and placed him under arrest on the warrants, both from this

agency. While placing the male under arrest, officers noticed evidence of narcotics use and/or sales in plain view inside the room. A search warrant was obtained and several items indicative of narcotics sales were seized, including approximately 3,000 bags of suspected heroin. In addition to the two original arrest warrants, the male was charged with several additional charges, including Operation of a Drug Factory, Possession of Narcotics with Intent to Sell, Possession of a Controlled Substance and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at approximately 8:21 AM officers were dispatched to the Department of Motor Vehicles building on the report of a male attempting to obtain a driver's license using fraudulent identification documents. Upon the officers' arrival a DMV employee pointed out the male, who was now attempting to leave. The male was detained and the officer inspected the male's paperwork, noting the documents appeared either completely fraudulent or altered. The male was taken into custody and transported to the Wethersfield PD where he was fingerprinted via the AFIS machine. His fingerprints positively identified the male as a person wanted by the FBI in Louisville Kentucky for Larceny from Interstate Shipment. The FBI Most Wanted Information showed the male was working as an armored truck driver in Louisville, Kentucky when, on 12/5/2018, he and the money from the truck went missing. The male was charged with Forgery 2nd Degree and Interfering with Police. He was held on an FBI detainer for their crimes.

Detective Division

During the month of January 2019, members of the Detective Bureau initiated or were assigned to eighteen (18) new cases. These cases involved the following:

One (1) Armed Robbery of a running motor vehicle, two (2) Missing Persons; two (2) Assist Other Jurisdictions; One (1) Asset Forfeiture; One (1) Commercial Burglary; One (1) person Wanted by the FBI; One (1) burglary into a Motor Vehicle; One (1) Forgery; One (1) Juvenile Offense; One (1) miscellaneous assist; One (1) Identity Theft; One (1) DCF Referral; One (1) Pistol Permit denial; One (1) Threatening; One (1) Overdose and One (1) Stolen Marker Plate.

Detectives also followed up and closed six (6) old cases:

- One (1) was an asset forfeiture case from May 2018.
- One (1) was a motor vehicle violation case from September 2018 in which an elderly driver had his license revoked by the DMV.
- One (1) was a larceny case from July 2018 during which money was taken by a person with developmental disabilities. Court declined to prosecute. The victim is pursuing civil remedies with the group home.
- One (1) was a shoplifting case from August 2018. The suspect was arrested in January 2019 via warrant.
- One (1) was a larceny case from July 2017 in which the suspect forged checks. She was arrested in January 2019 via warrant.
- One (1) was an overdose from September 2018 in which the suspect dies. The case was closed.

Detectives also continue to perform town background investigations for new town hires and background investigations for pistol permits applicants.

Juvenile Detective

The Wethersfield Police Department handled approximately 20 incidents, involving approximately 25 Juveniles during the month of January 2019. In these incidents there were 2 Juvenile "Summons" arrests, 1 Juvenile was issued an infraction for Vaping, 4 Juvenile were diverted for parental discipline, 2 Juvenile were diverted for school discipline and 2 Juveniles was seen at the Wethersfield JRB/CBR Board.

School Resource Officer – Wethersfield High School

During the month of January the WHS SRO covered a total of seventeen (17) incidents including activities at the school, which were entered into the School Cop database.

The SRO assisted with the following issues:

The WHS SRO met with a student who intentionally removed the fire alarm protective cover and caused the audible alarm to activate disturbing an area of the school. Student advised on possible consequences. School discipline issued.

The WHS SRO investigated the complaint of a past tense motor vehicle collision. Unable to determine fault. No injury or damage to the victim's vehicle.

The WHS SRO took the complaint of a lost/stolen phone. Phone was located and unable to determine if it was lost or stolen. Assisted.

The WHS SRO met with a student who reports her Chromebook was lost/stolen. She doesn't know where it happened, but can't locate the item. She doesn't want to make a formal complaint, but would like help locating the item. Investigation showed the item was not in fact stolen, but had been misplaced. No crime

The WHS SRO arrested a female student for breach of peace, second degree after she assaulted another student in the cafeteria.

The WHS SRO (along with staff) responded to the residence of a student who has been having attendance issues. Student is now being home schooled. Advised parent on the proper procedure to handle with BOE.

The WHS SRO stopped a motor vehicle operator on Jay Street for a hazardous moving violation. Verbal warning issued.

The WHS SRO met with a student who discussed a plan to perform a DUI crash scene as an assembly for prom season.

The WHS SRO met with a student who lost her cellular phone. Phone was located. Assisted.

The WHS SRO along with an administrator spoke with three freshman males who were reportedly involved in a bullying incident. The students were advised about their dealings with a disadvantaged student.

The SRO participated in a session of the Town of Wethersfield Juvenile Review Board. This is for juveniles who reside in our town when they are deferred from the Juvenile Justice System to our board.

The WHS SRO attended the Attendance Meeting: Topic discussion centered on students with attendance issues for this academic year.

The WHS SRO attended a STARS/SRBI (Support Team - Assistance & Response Early Intervention Program - Scientific Research-Based Intervention) meeting for at risk youths at WHS.

The WHS SRO attended the monthly Wethersfield Youth Advisory Board meeting.

The WHS SRO assisted school administrator's with a lock down drill.

The WHS SRO presented the Advisory class with a teacher.

Administrative Services Bureau

This department has responded to 48 police-related alarms in month of January. Non-residential locations made up 14 (29%) of this total, residential alarms made up 30 (63%), and State and Town government made up 4 (8%). The alarms received were: 43 burglar, 2 Fire, and 3 holdup/panic. There currently are 2,021 alarm registrations on file, 41 of which experienced alarm(s) this month; this represents a 97% compliance rate. Two new alarm registrations were entered this month. During this month, \$250 in alarm billing has occurred. There have been 50 actions performed by this unit with the CryWolf system, and 45 items of correspondence sent out.

Training Division

On Wednesday, January 2 and Thursday, January 3, 2019, Lieutenant Michael Connolly, Sergeant Luis Gonzalez, Officer Justin Hilchuk, Officer Shane Murphy and Officer Joel DiLoreto attended "**Capital Region Emergency Services Team (C.R.E.S.T.) Training.**" C.R.E.S.T. is the regional SWAT team.

On Monday, January 7, 2019, through Friday, January 18, 2019, Officer Manuel Silva attended **Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) Instructor School.** This intensive two-week school certifies Officer Silva as a DARE Instructor.

On Tuesday, January 8, 2019, Officer Shane Murphy attended "**Police Canine / Police Canine Handler Training.**" Officer Murphy and K9 Marley participated in this canine training with several other area law enforcement canine teams. Training included evidence recovery, tracking and narcotics detection.

On Tuesday, January 8, 2019, Officer Joel Diloreto attended **Explosive Breacher Training**. This monthly training, which takes place at the Bloomfield Police Department, is for area SWAT Team Breachers.

On Monday, January 14, 2019 through Friday, January 18, 2019, Officers Kevin Foster and Peter McGee attended **Capitol Region Review Training (Recertification Training)**. This training, which took place at the Middletown Police Department, covers mandated and elective in-service training required to maintain certification as a police officer.

On Tuesday, January 15, 2019, Chief James Cetran and Lieutenants Andrew Power and Michael Connolly attended **Capitol Region Review Training (Recertification Training)**. This command level training, which took place at the Rocky Hill Police Department, covers mandated and elective in-service training required to maintain certification as a police officer.

On Wednesday, January 16, 2019, Sergeant Jennie Rivera and Officer Joseph Baich attended **Human Trafficking Training**. This training, which took place at the Middletown Police Department, was required by DCF as part of the process for these officers to become certified to train the Human Trafficking Program.

On Tuesday, January 22, 2019, through Thursday, January 24, 2019, Officer Peter Salvatore attended the training titled, **“Interview and Interrogation in Narcotics Cases.”** This course was sponsored by the Pennsylvania National Guard’s Northeast Counterdrug Training Center (NCTC). This course took place at the Connecticut Police Academy.

On Thursday, January 24, 2019, Sergeant Oscar Rivera attended, **Capitol Region Review Training (Recertification Training)**. This supervisory level training, which took place at the Southington Police Department, covers mandated and elective in-service training required to maintain certification as a police officer.

On Thursday, January 24, 2019, Sergeant Jennie Rivera and Officer Joseph Baich attended **Human Trafficking – Law Enforcement Train the Trainer**. This training, which took place at DCF Headquarters in Hartford, was required by DCF as part of the process for these officers to become certified to train the Human Trafficking Program.

On Sunday, January 27, 2019, All sworn and civilian personnel were assigned **Code of Ethics Review Training**. This training was self-directed and scheduled to be complete by Friday, February 1, 2019.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Wethersfield Police Cadets will assist with UNICO Pasta Dinner. The Wethersfield Police Cadets will have practical skills training in “D.U.I Detection and Responding to Domestic Violence Incidents”

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

	JAN 2018	JAN 2019	YTD 2018	YTD 2019
Criminal Arrests				
Criminal Arrests	46	51	46	51
Burglaries and Robberies				
Residential Burglaries	0	0	0	0
Commercial Burglaries	0	1	0	1
Armed Robberies	0	1	0	1
Strong-Arm Robberies	0	0	0	0
Traffic Related				
Infractions/ MV Summons	70	85	70	85
DUI	5	6	5	6
MV Crashes	75	67	75	67
Parking Tags	80	116	80	116
Miscellaneous Activities				
911 Calls	858		858	
Alarm Responses	56	48	56	48
Records Requests	101	153	101	153
Child Car Seat Installations	6	8	6	8