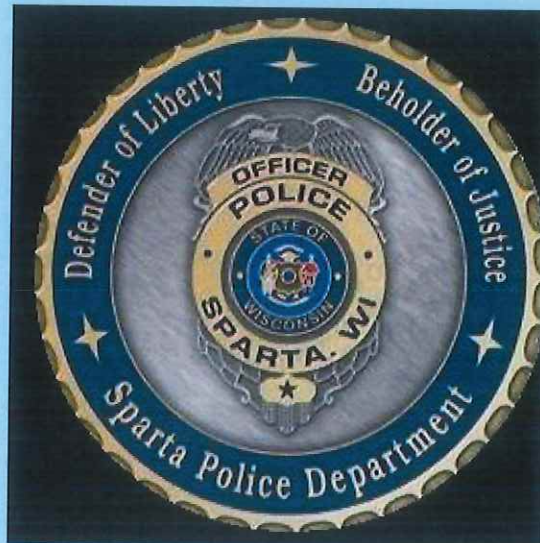


# **2018 ANNUAL REPORT**



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April 17, 2019

Honorable Mayor  
and Members of the City Council  
Sparta City Hall  
201 W Oak St.  
Sparta, WI 54656

Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council:

The Annual Police Report for the City of Sparta, for the period of January 1st through December 31st, 2018, is herewith submitted for your review.

The staff did a great job compiling the 2018 data, so the report would contain important information plus be entertaining to read. The report contains a yearend review of the entire department.

As you review this report you'll notice the following:

- Overtime hours decreased by 241 hours
- Calls for service decreased by 1,516 calls
- Drug related arrests increased by 8%
- Crimes against Government decreased by 1%
- Traffic citations decreased by 453 citations
- Use of Force incidents decreased by 2 incidents
- Crimes against children increased 1%
- Juvenile citations increased by 3%
- Proactive Police services increased 2%

The future demands and challenges of local Police Departments are constantly changing and growing, as you can see in the news. The Sparta Police Department is always striving to be innovative and forward thinking. Partnering with other agencies and community organizations is very important to the Sparta Police Department's mission, so we can better serve the residents of the City of Sparta. We strongly believe that working in a partnership with government and civic leaders will create a positive influence on the Sparta Community.

Respectfully submitted,

David Kuderer  
Chief of Police





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# *Mission Statement*

## ***Our Mission***

The mission of the Sparta Police Department is to enhance public safety through crime prevention, education, and enforcement of the law while working in partnership with the community to preserve the quality of life for Sparta residents.

## ***Our Vision***

Preserving quality of life through innovation and excellence in policing.

## ***Our Values***

**Courage** – To face one's fears in the face of adversity and do what is required to protect others.

**Pride** – In work and family we are accountable to each other and the Community.

**Excellence** – Strive for perfection knowing that "good enough" really isn't.







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# *Code of Ethics*

"As a law enforcement officer, my fundamental duty is to serve mankind; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence and disorder; and to respect the Constitutional rights of all men to liberty, equality, and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all; maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn, or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others; honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life. I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided in me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, animosities, or friendships to influence my decision. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courageously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice, or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence, and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of the police service. I will constantly strive to achieve those objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my profession...*Law Enforcement.*





# *Oath of Honor*



On my honor,  
I will never betray my profession,  
my integrity, my character,  
or the public trust.

I will always have the courage  
to hold myself and others  
accountable for our actions.

I will always uphold the constitution,  
my community, and  
the agency I serve.





Administrative Assistant  
Jennifer Uhls



Chief  
David Kuderer



Police Support Specialist  
Jessica Erickson



Chaplain  
Jef Skinner



Lieutenant  
Emilee Nottestad



Chaplain  
Randy Larsen



Detective  
Andrew Kuen



Detective  
Jose Tovar



Sergeant  
Jason Pipkin



Sergeant  
Booker Ferguson



Sergeant  
Joel Ames



Sergeant  
Kyle Erickson



SRO  
Kyle Seubert



Officer  
Marc Nelson



Officer  
Kyle Guralski



Officer  
Chris Welker



Officer  
Jenna Lee



Officer  
Zach Fischer



Officer  
Ethan Schroeder



Officer  
Justin Grones



Officer  
Jacob Ludovice



Officer Brock  
Mrdjenovich



Officer Nicklaus  
Harding



Evidence/Compliance  
Officer  
Christine Haas



Officer  
Brian James



Larz



Kaiser



Officer  
Corey Johnson



# Personnel Changes

## New Hires



**Brock  
Mrdjenovich**



**Nicklaus  
Harding**

## Separations



**Officer  
Justin Grones**



**Officer  
Nicklaus Harding**

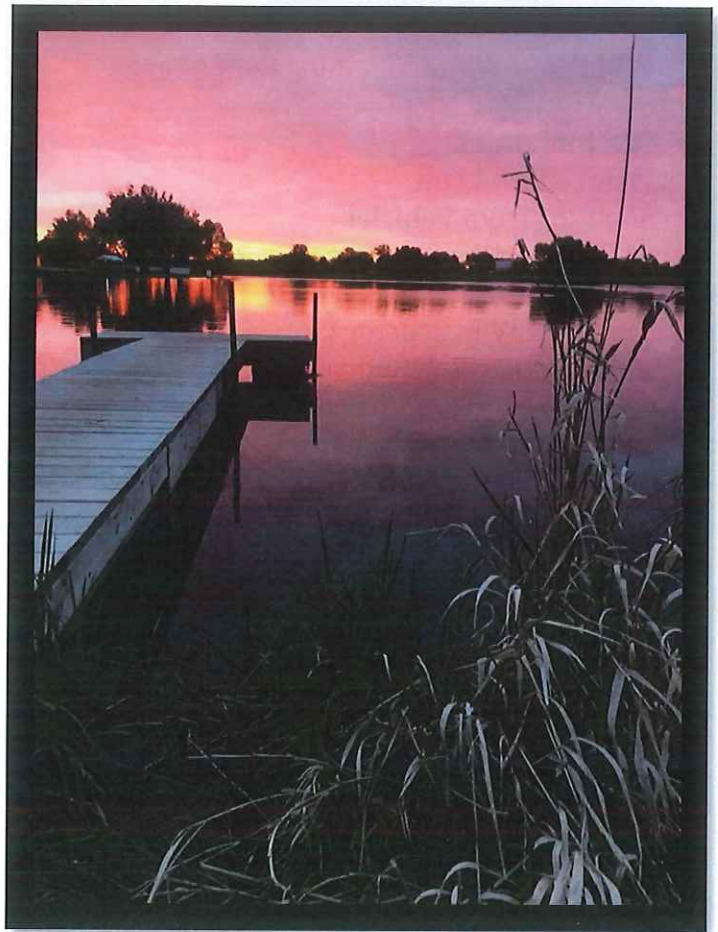
## Births



**Sadie Marie**



**Sawyer Lucas**



# 2018 Officer Training

## **Chief David Kuderer**

Dealing with Dementia Patients  
Less Lethal Update  
Mid-Summer Chief's Conference  
Active Shooter Debrief  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Use of Force  
WPLF Mid-Winter Training Conf.

## **Sgt. Joel Ames**

Pistol – Low Light  
Shooting from Vehicles  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
TCCC Pistol & Rifle  
TASER CEW Instructor Course  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Mental Health Awareness  
Use of Force

## **Sgt. Booker Ferguson**

Shooting From Vehicles  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
Less Lethal Update  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Overdose Death Investigations & Pros.  
Vehicle Contacts Instructor Course  
Mental Health Awareness  
WI Assoc of Homicide Invest. Conf  
Working Dog Seminar by PSI  
SFST Instructor Course  
Use of Force  
Pistol – Low Light

## **Christine Haas – Evidence/Code**

Landlord – Tenant Laws for LE  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
WI Public Records Law

## **Lt. Emilee Nottestad**

QPR Gatekeeper  
Instructor Training  
Harassment & Discrimination Prevention  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
Less Lethal Update  
Governor's Conference on Hwy Safety  
Mid-Summer Chief's Conference  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Active Shooter Debrief  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Mental Health Awareness  
WI Counterterrorism Conference  
Fit Force Instructor Course  
Use of Force  
WPLF Mid-Winter Training Conference

## **Sgt. Kyle Erickson**

Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
TCCC Pistol & Rifle  
Less Lethal Update  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Mental Health Awareness  
Breach Point for Officers  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Use of Force  
Pistol – Low Light

## **Sgt. Jason Pipkin**

Shooting from Vehicles  
TCCC Pistol & Rifle  
Less Lethal Update  
Active Shooter Debrief  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Mental Health Awareness  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Use of Force



**Officer Zachary Fischer**

Reid Interview & Interrogation  
Monroe County CTU  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Use of Force

**Officer Kyle Guralski**

Monroe County CTU  
QPR Gatekeeper  
Sniper Training  
Shooting from Vehicles  
Harassment & Discrimination Prevention  
WLECHA  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
NTOA/ASP-WI National Training Conf  
Less Lethal Update  
Active Shooter Debrief  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
NAPWDA Conference  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Tactical Response Instructor Course  
Use of Force  
Assoc of SWAT Personnel Conference  
K-9 Monthly Training

**Officer Corey Johnson**

Monroe County CTU  
Shooting from Vehicles  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
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Less Lethal Update  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Active Shooter Debrief  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
K-9 Monthly Training  
Instructor Training  
NAPWDA Conference  
Working Dog Seminar by PSI  
Pistol – Low Light  
Secondary Pistol

**Officer Justin Grones**

Shooting from Vehicles  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
Crisis/Hostage Negotiations  
Less Lethal Update  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Reid Interview & Interrogation  
Use of Force  
Pistol – Low Light

**Officer Brian James**

Monroe County CTU  
WLECHA  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
TCCC Pistol & Rifle  
Less Lethal Update  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Working Dog Seminar by PSI  
K-9 Monthly Training  
Use of Force  
Instructor Training  
Pistol – Low Light  
Field Training Officer Instructor Course

**Officer Jenna Lee**

Harassment & Discrimination Prevention  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
TCCC Pistol & Rifle  
Less Lethal Update  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Mental Health Awareness  
Fit Force Instructor Course  
WI ICAC Conference  
ICAC eMule Investigations  
Use of Force  
Pistol – Low Light

**Officer Jacob Ludovice**

Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
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LESB Handgun Qualification  
Active Shooter Debrief  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Reid Interview & Interrogation  
Use of Force

**Officer Marc Nelson**

Monroe County CTU  
Shooting from Vehicles  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
NTOA/ASP National Conference  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Active Shooter Debrief  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Rifle & Shotgun Qualification  
Tactical Response Instructor Course  
Use of Force  
Assoc. of SWAT Personnel Conference  
Homicide in America

**Officer Kyle Seubert – SRO**

Shooting from Vehicles  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
Active Shooter Debrief  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
School Resource Officer Conference  
Mental Health Awareness  
LESB Handgun Qualificaion  
Use of Force  
Homicide in America

**Officer Brock Mrdjenovich**

Pistol – Low Light  
ARIDE  
Shooting from Vehicles  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
TCCC Pistol & Rifle  
Less Lethal Update  
Investigating & Prosecuting Abusive Head  
Trauma  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Mental Health Awareness  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
New Employee Rifle Training  
New Employee Handgun Training  
New Officer Pistol & Rifle Training

**Officer Ethan Schroeder**

Pistol – Low Light  
Secondary Pistol Qualification  
Shooting from Vehicles  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
Less Lethal Update  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Reid Interview & Interrogation  
Use of Force

**Officer Christopher Welker**

Shooting from Vehicles  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
TCCC Pistol & Rifle  
Less Lethal Update  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Vehicle Contacts Instructor Course  
Mental Health Awareness  
Basic Police Cyclist Course (IPMBA)  
Use of Force



**Detective Andrew Kuen**

Monroe County CTU  
QPR Gatekeeper  
Shooting from Vehicles  
Harassment & Discrimination Prevention  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
Instructor Training  
TCCC Pistol & Rifle  
Financial Elder Abuse & White Collar  
Crimes  
Less Lethal Update  
Investigating & Prosecuting Abusive Head  
Trauma  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
Active Shooter Debrief  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
Child Maltreatment Conference  
WI Assoc. of Homicide Investigators Conf.  
Use of Force

**Jessica Erickson – Support Specialist**

Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
WI Public Records Law

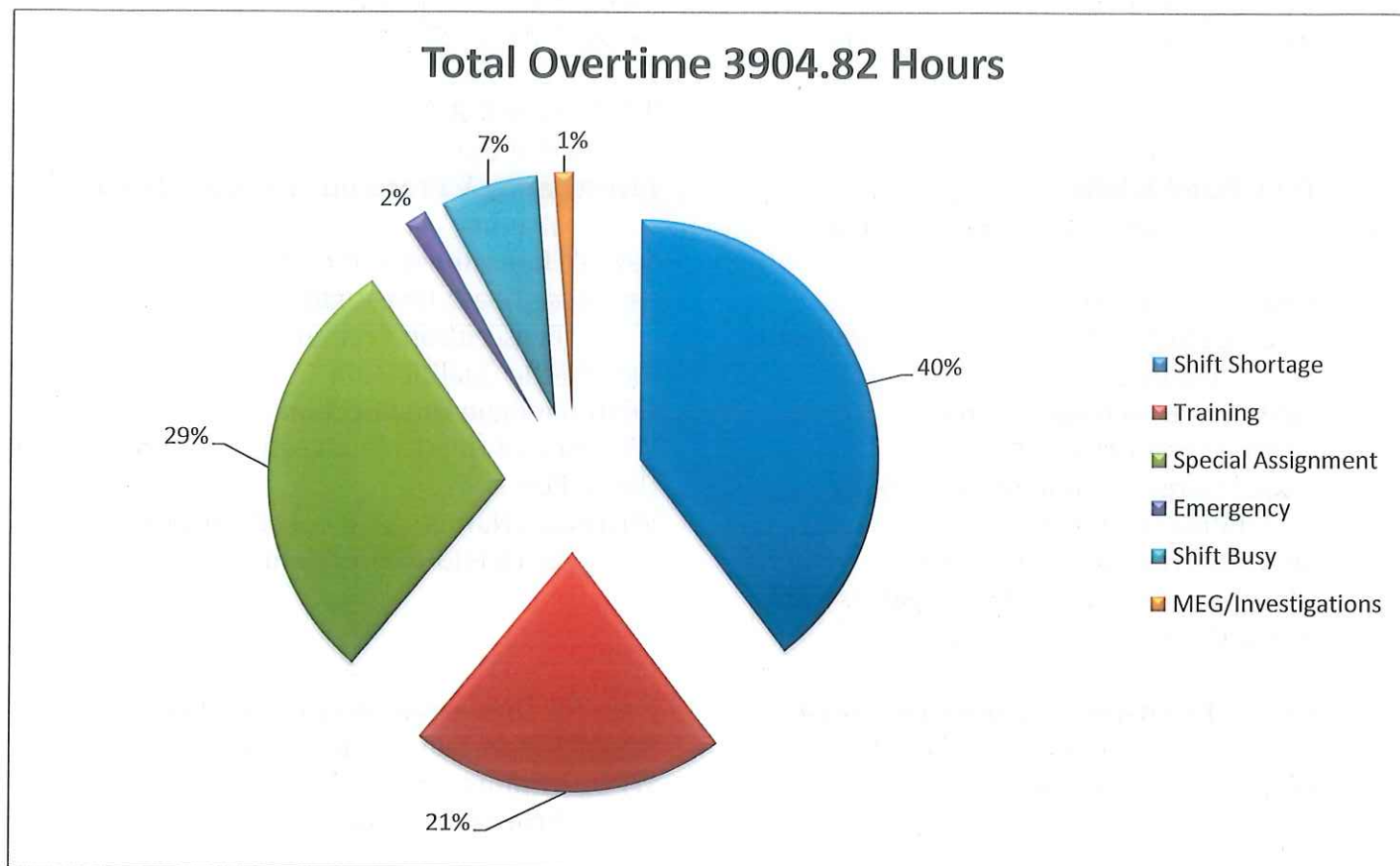
**Detective Jose Tovar**

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2018 Summit on Opioid & Meth  
Dealing with Dementia Patients  
ALERRT Active Shooter  
Instructor Training  
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Less Lethal Update  
Investigating & Prosecuting Abusive Head  
Trauma  
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
Overdose Death Investigations &  
Prosecution Training  
Patrol Rifle Qualification  
LESB Handgun Qualification  
WI Assoc. of Homicide Investigators Conf.  
Use of Force  
Wisconsin Narcotics Officers Association  
2018 Mid-Winter Conference

**Jennifer Uhls – Administrative Asst.**

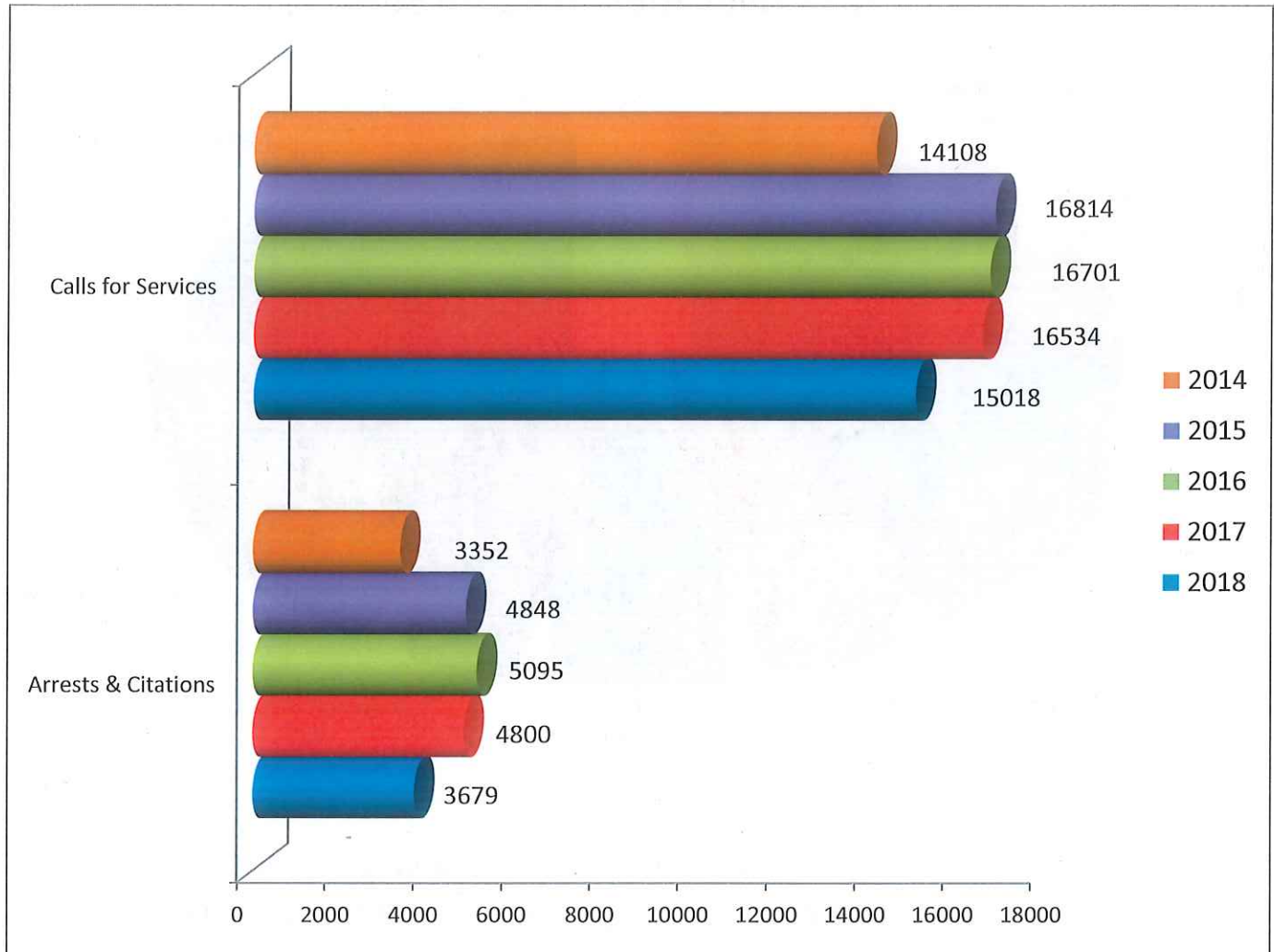
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace  
WI Law Enforcement Administrative  
Professionals Conf. (LEAP)

# 2018 Overtime Statistics



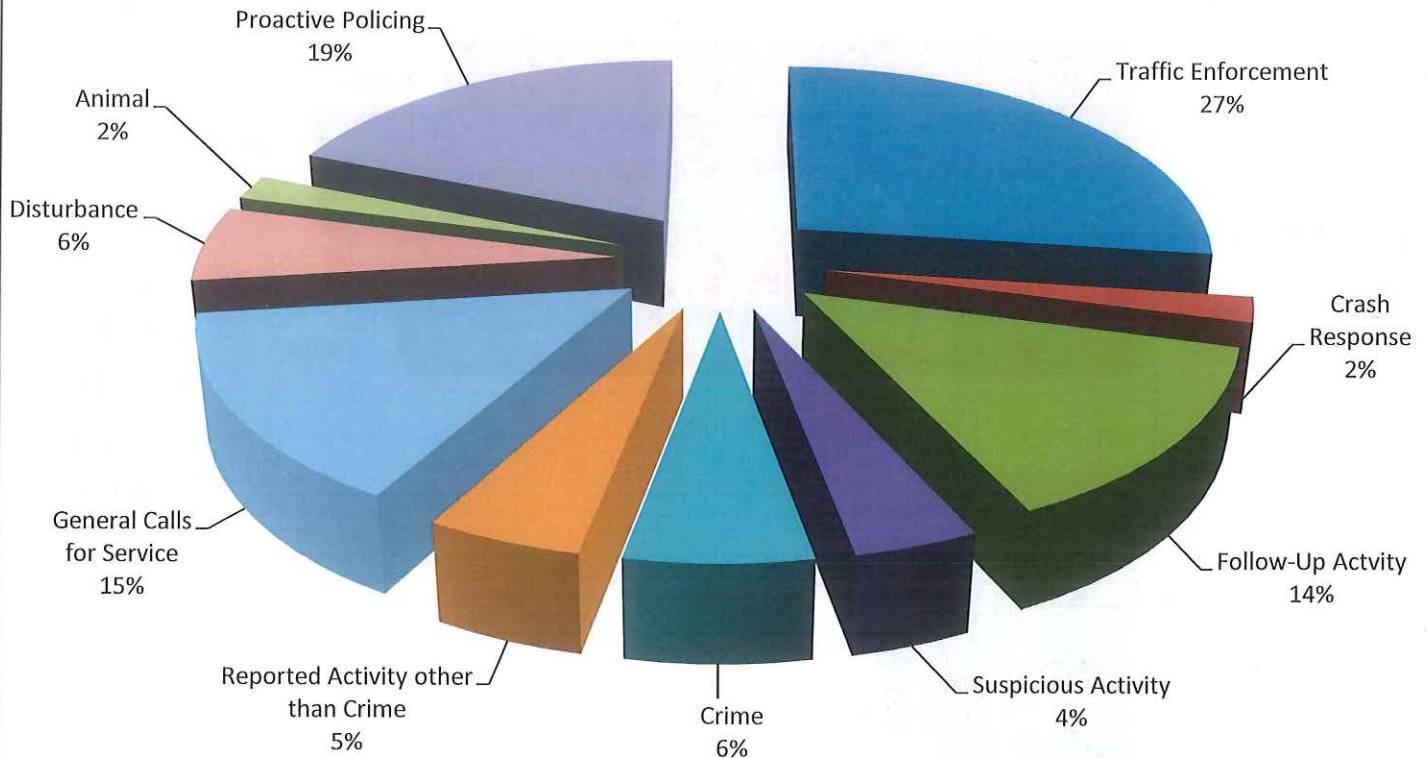
- Shift Shortage – Due to vacations, training, special assignments, emergencies, and investigations conducted by other officers
- Training – Hours in excess of officer's normal work schedule
- Special Assignment – Court, briefings, presentations
- Emergency – Natural disasters, Combined Tactical Unit call-out
- Shift Busy – Incidents occurring at the end of a shift or ones that have to be finished for the next day
- MEG/Investigation – drug investigations, major cases

# 2018 Five Year Trends



# *Allocation of Services*

**2018 Allocation of Police Services**

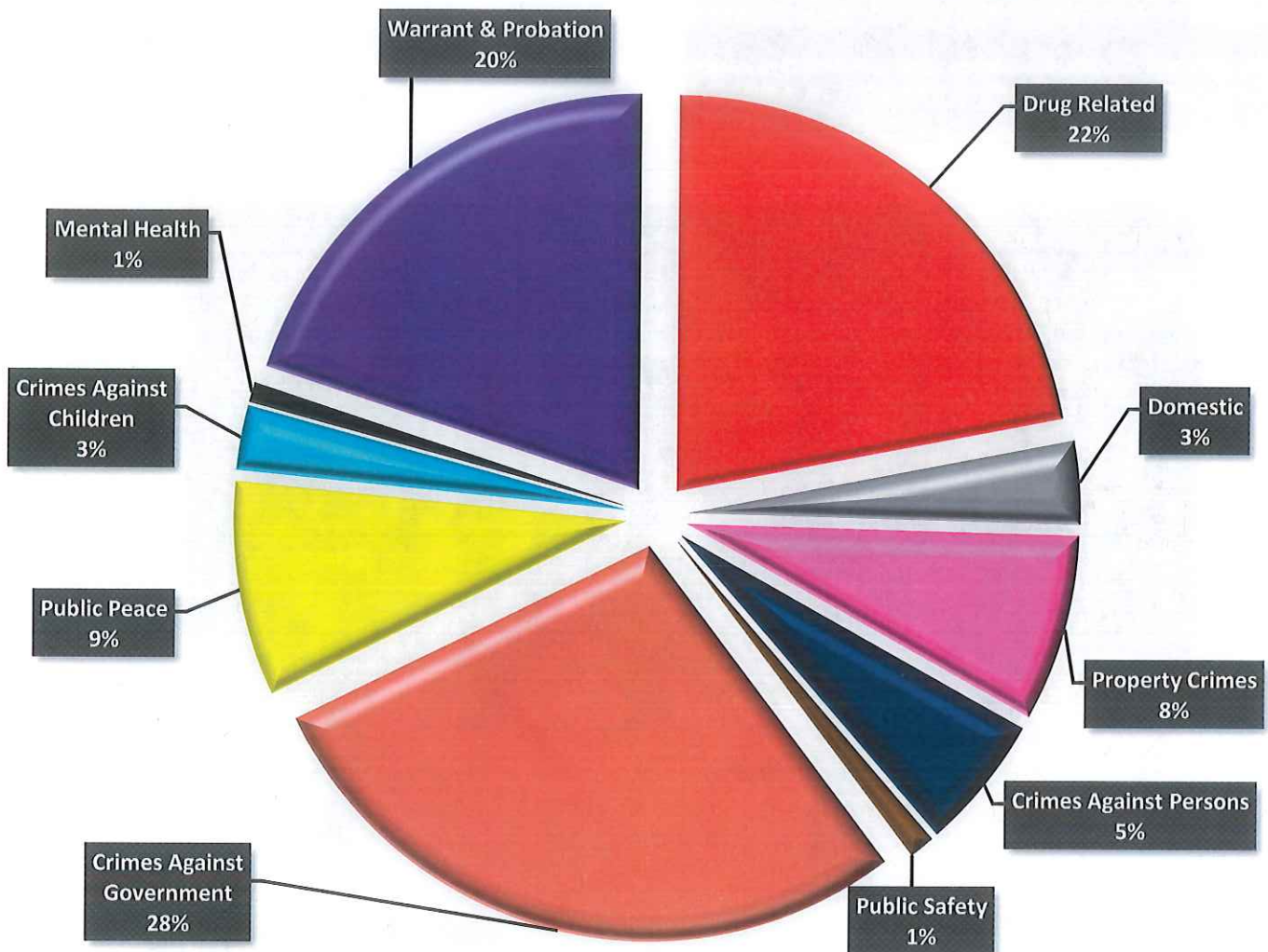


This graph depicts the percentage of Computer-Aided-Dispatch (CAD) calls grouped into similar activities. The graph isn't intended to present a true representation of actual time allocated to a grouped activity, but provides a visual reference for comparing police services, either requested or self-initiated.





# *Arrest Percentage By Type of Crime*

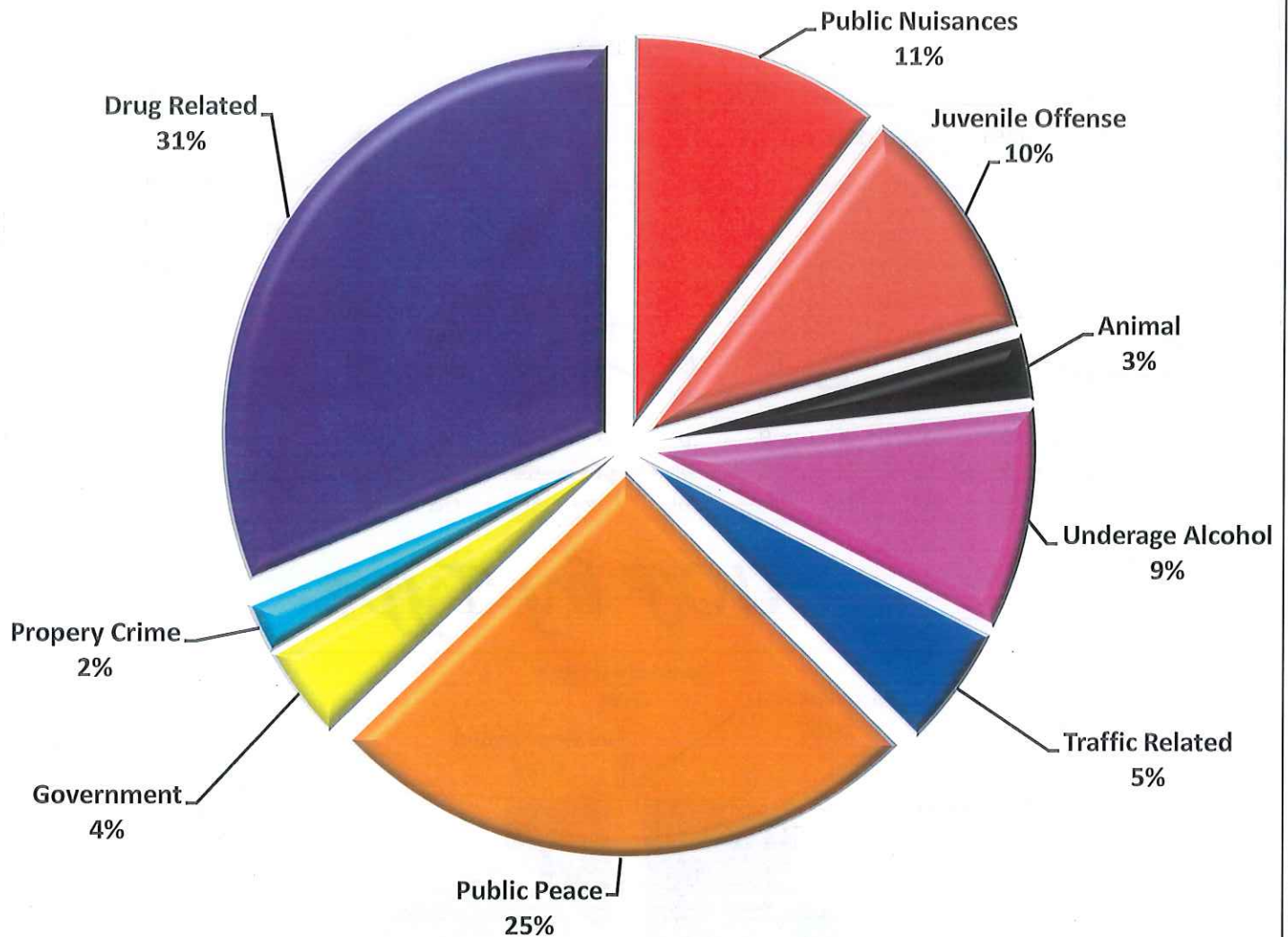


- **Compared to 2017:**

- Crimes Against the Government arrests decreased 1%
- Crimes Against Children arrests increased 1%
- Warrant & Probation arrests decreased 5%
- Drug Related arrests increased 8%
- Public Peace arrests decreased 1%



# *Municipal Offense By Type*



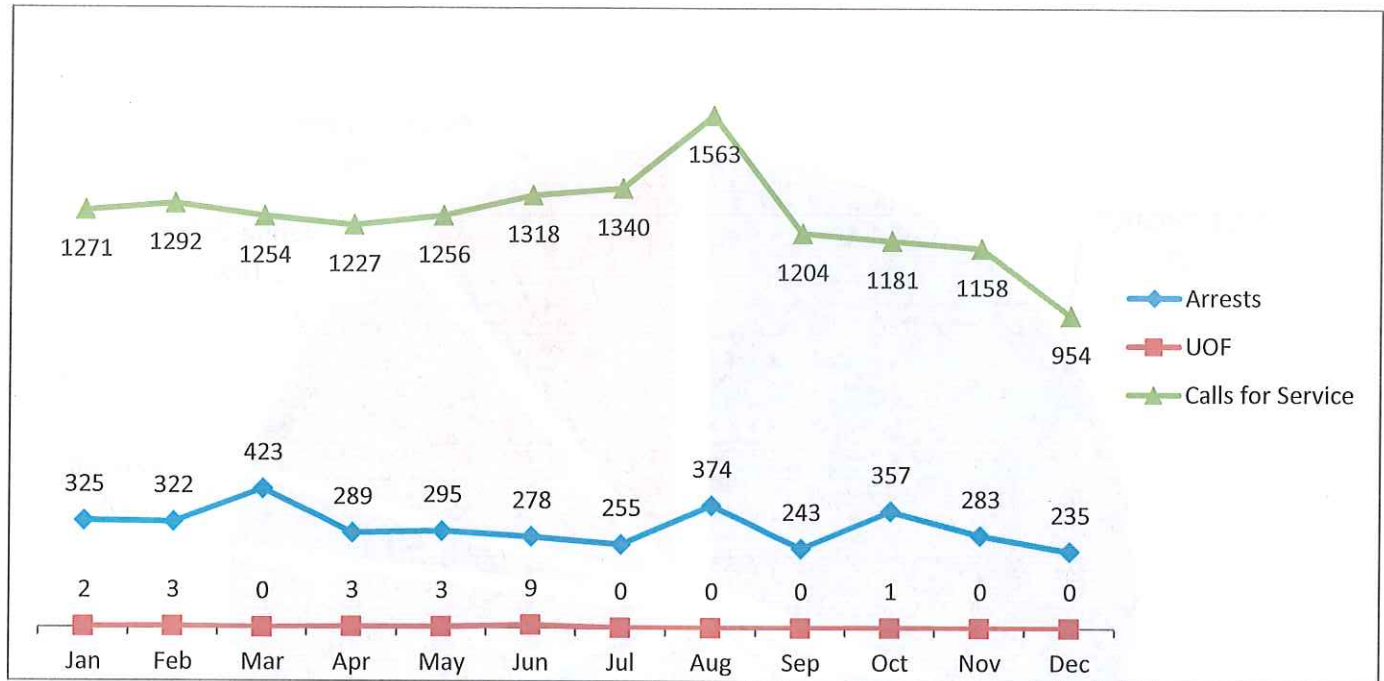
- **Compared to 2017**

- Drug related municipal citations increased 3%
- Juvenile related municipal citations increased 3%
- Underage Alcohol municipal citations increased 3%
- Public Peace related municipal citations increased 3%
- Property Crime related municipal citations decreased 2%

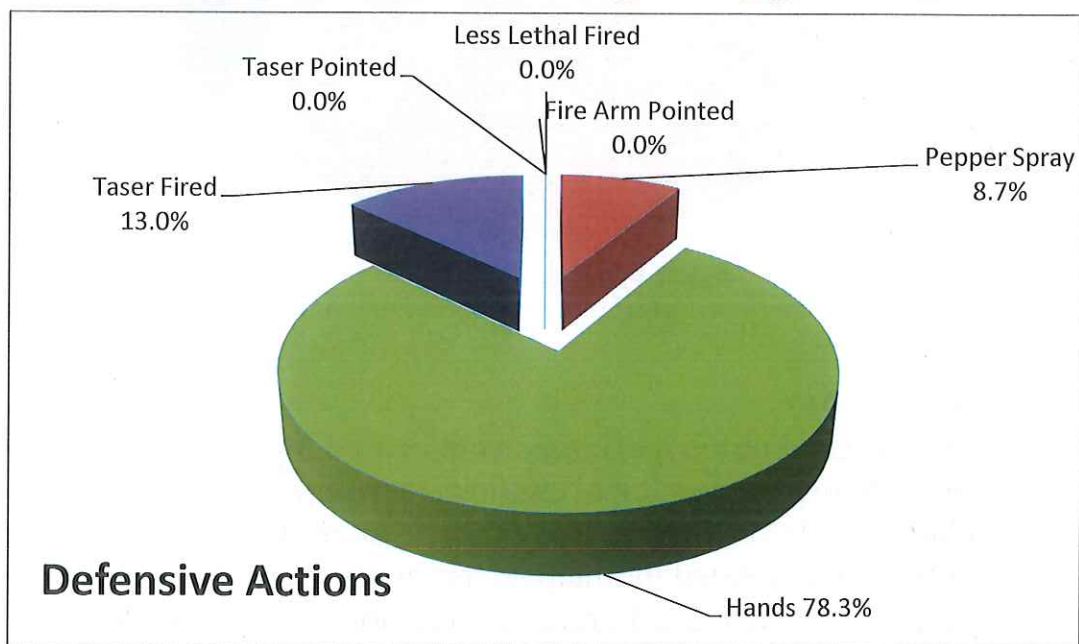


# 2018 Use of Force (UOF)

## Comparison Report



## UOF by Type

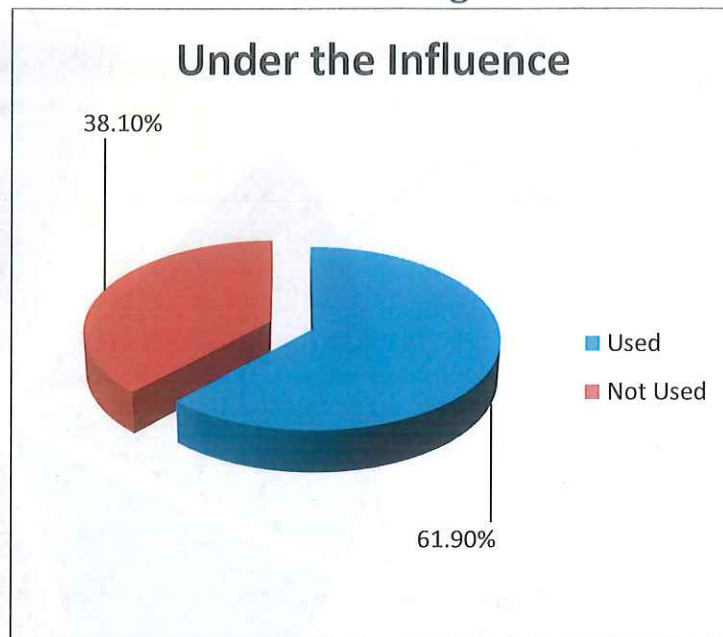


# UOF Statistics

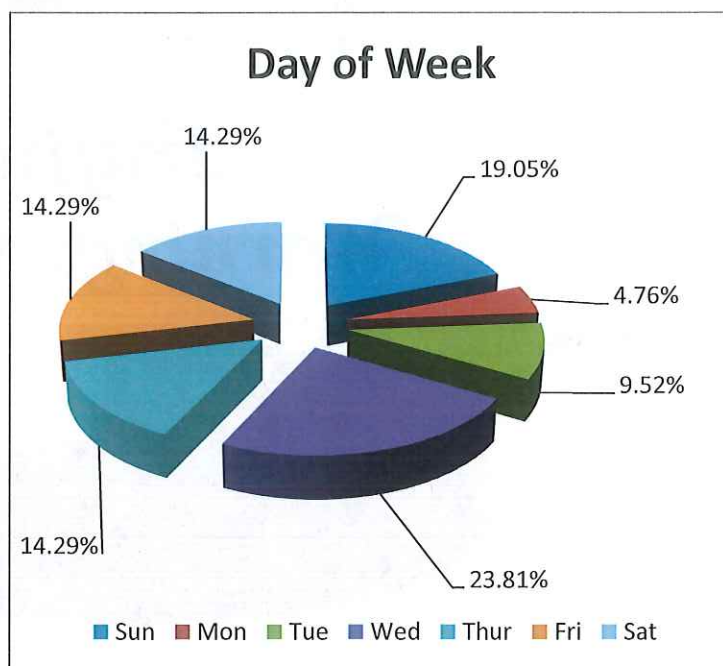
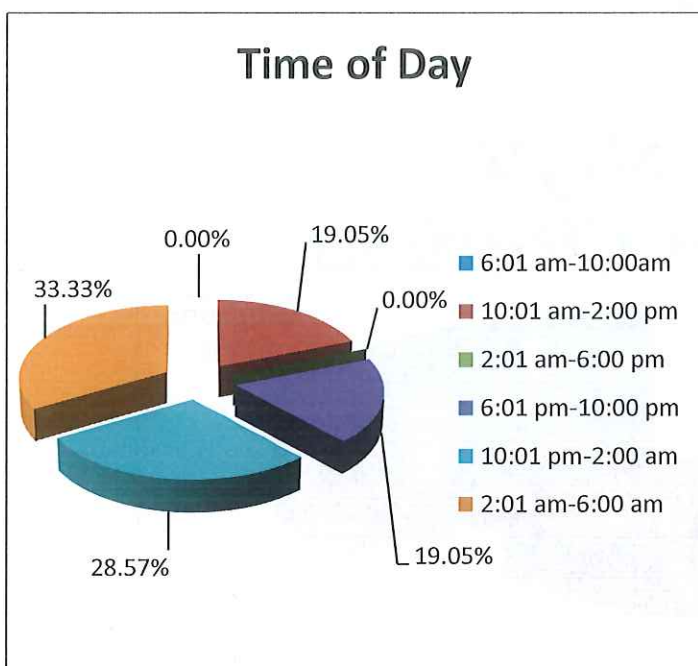
## 2018 Suspect/Officer Injury Ratio



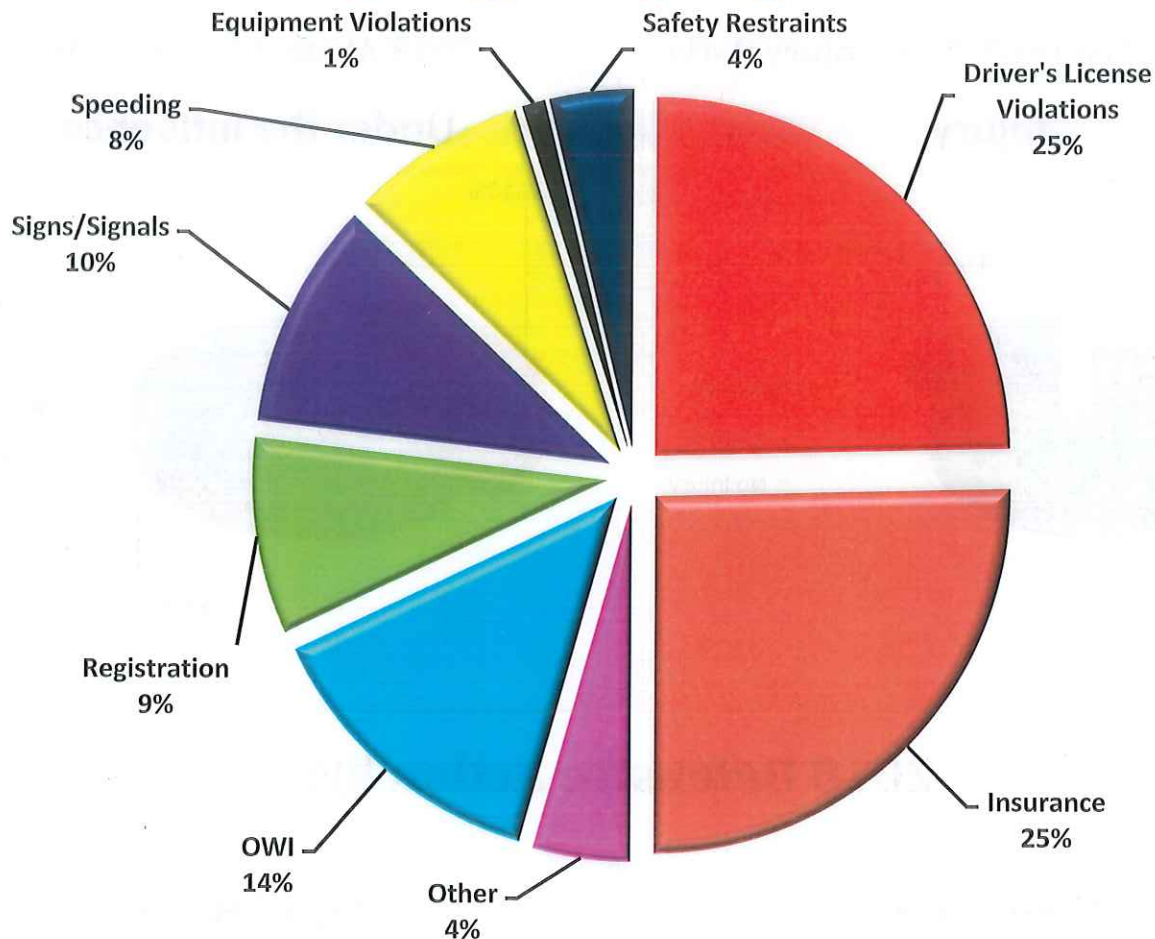
## 2018 Alcohol Usage Factor



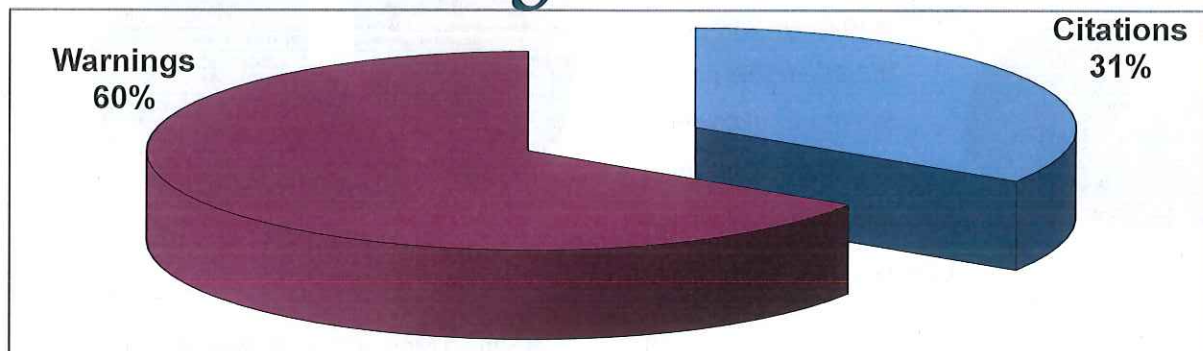
## 2018 Defensive Action by:



## *Traffic Citation Percentage By Type of Offense*



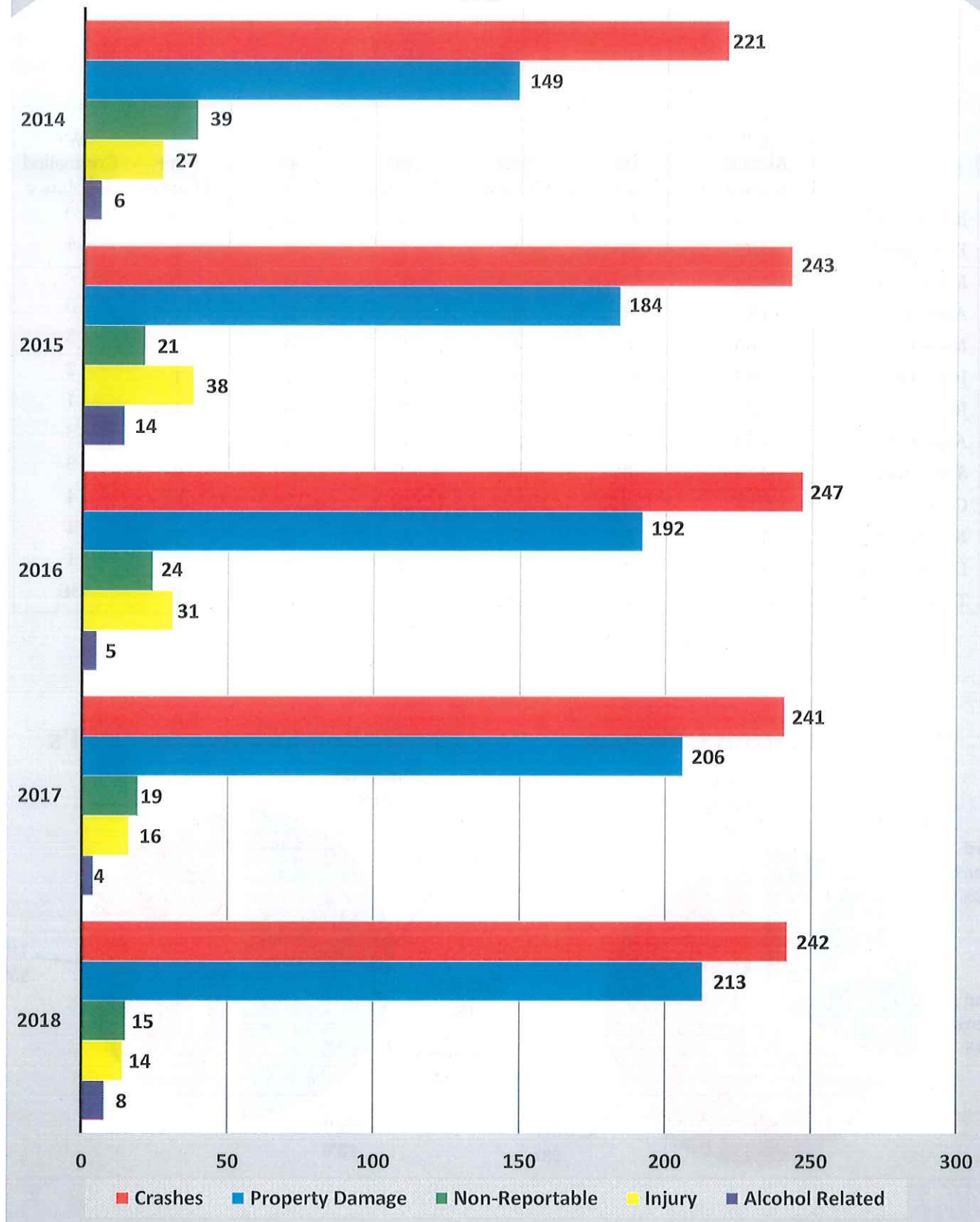
## *Traffic Stops Warnings vs Citations*



\*Data does not take into multiple citations issued on a single stop.



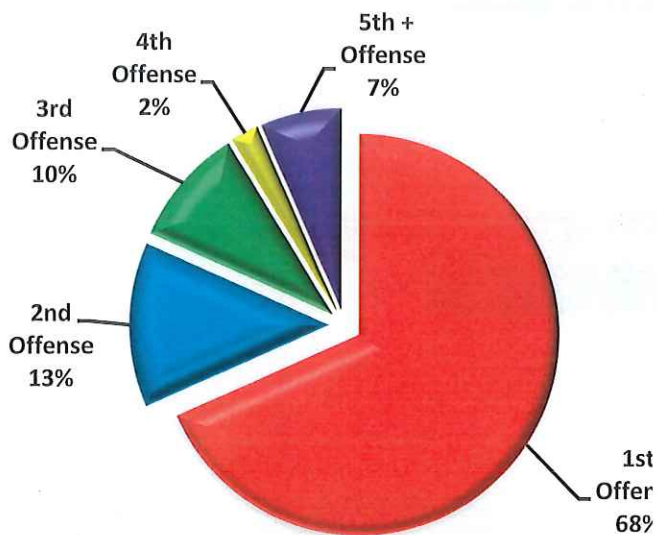
# Five Year Traffic Crash Trend



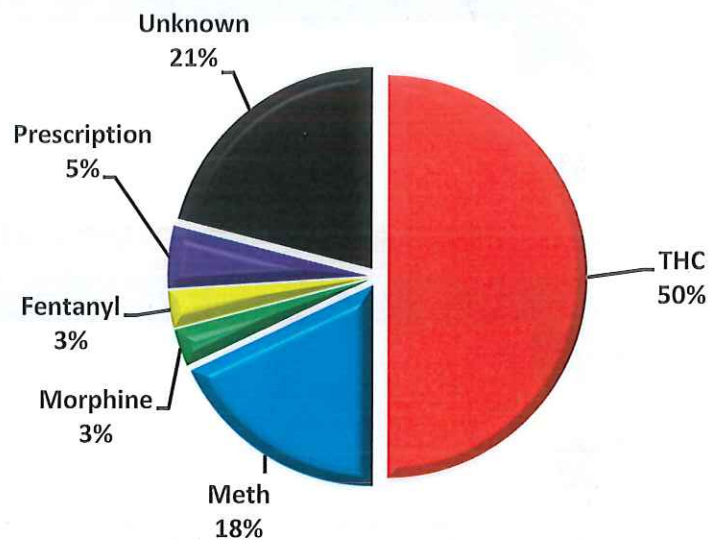
# BAC/PAC Results

Month	Average Blood/Breath Alcohol Concentration	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense	4 <sup>th</sup> Offense	5th+ Offense	W/ Controlled Substance
January-17	.148	12	0	3	0	2	5
February-14	.165	8	4	1	0	1	4
March-11	.138	8	2	1	0	0	3
April-11	.132	10	0	0	0	1	3
May-12	.160	6	5	1	0	0	3
June-16	.195	12	1	1	1	1	2
July-9	.188	5	1	2	0	1	1
August-14	.153	7	3	1	1	2	3
September-5	.172	5	0	0	0	0	3
October-13	.113	9	1	2	1	0	4
November-10	.160	8	0	1	0	1	4
December-4	.147	3	1	0	0	0	1
Total (136):	.156	93	18	13	3	9	36

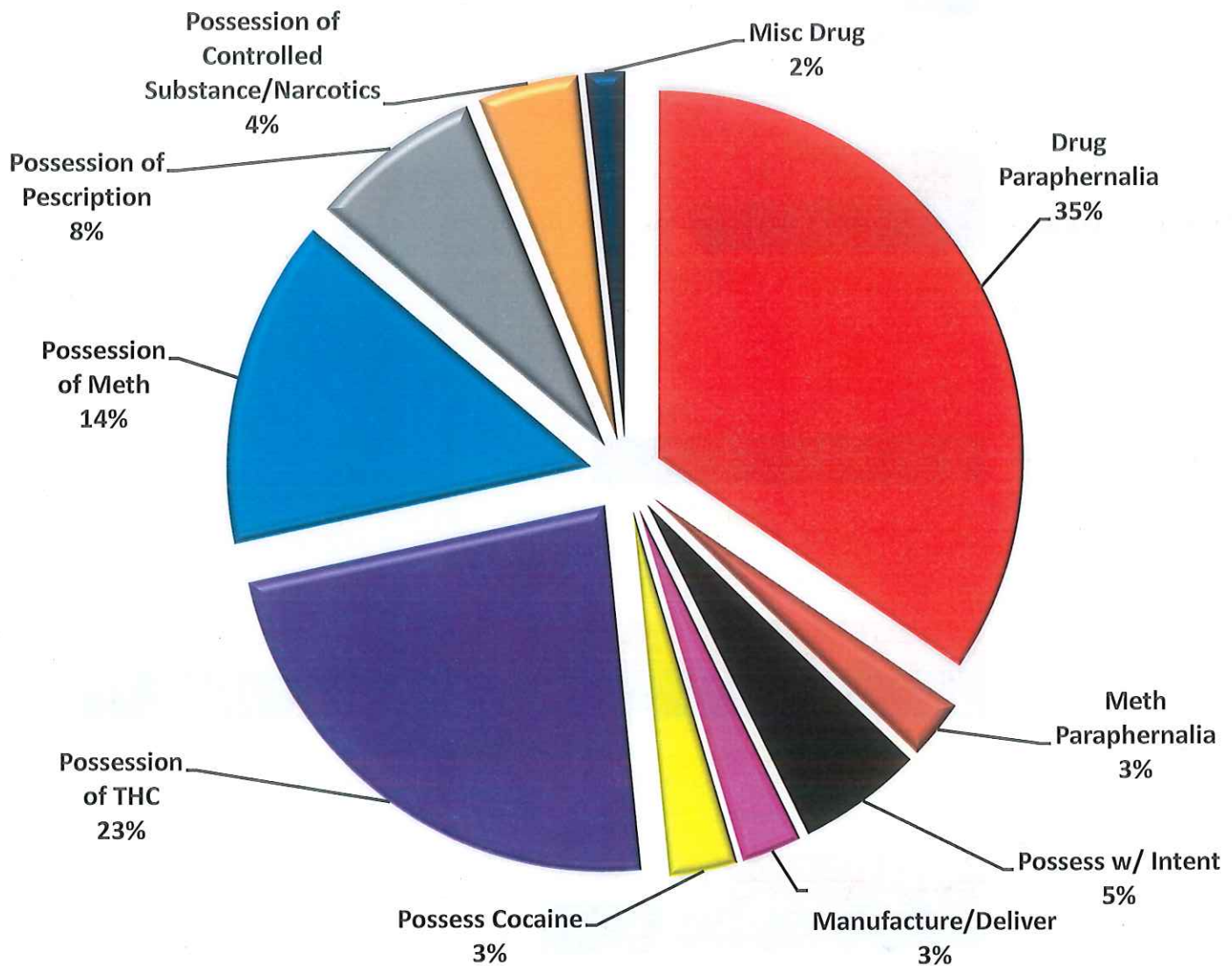
## Repeat Violation Offenses



## Controlled Substances OWI's



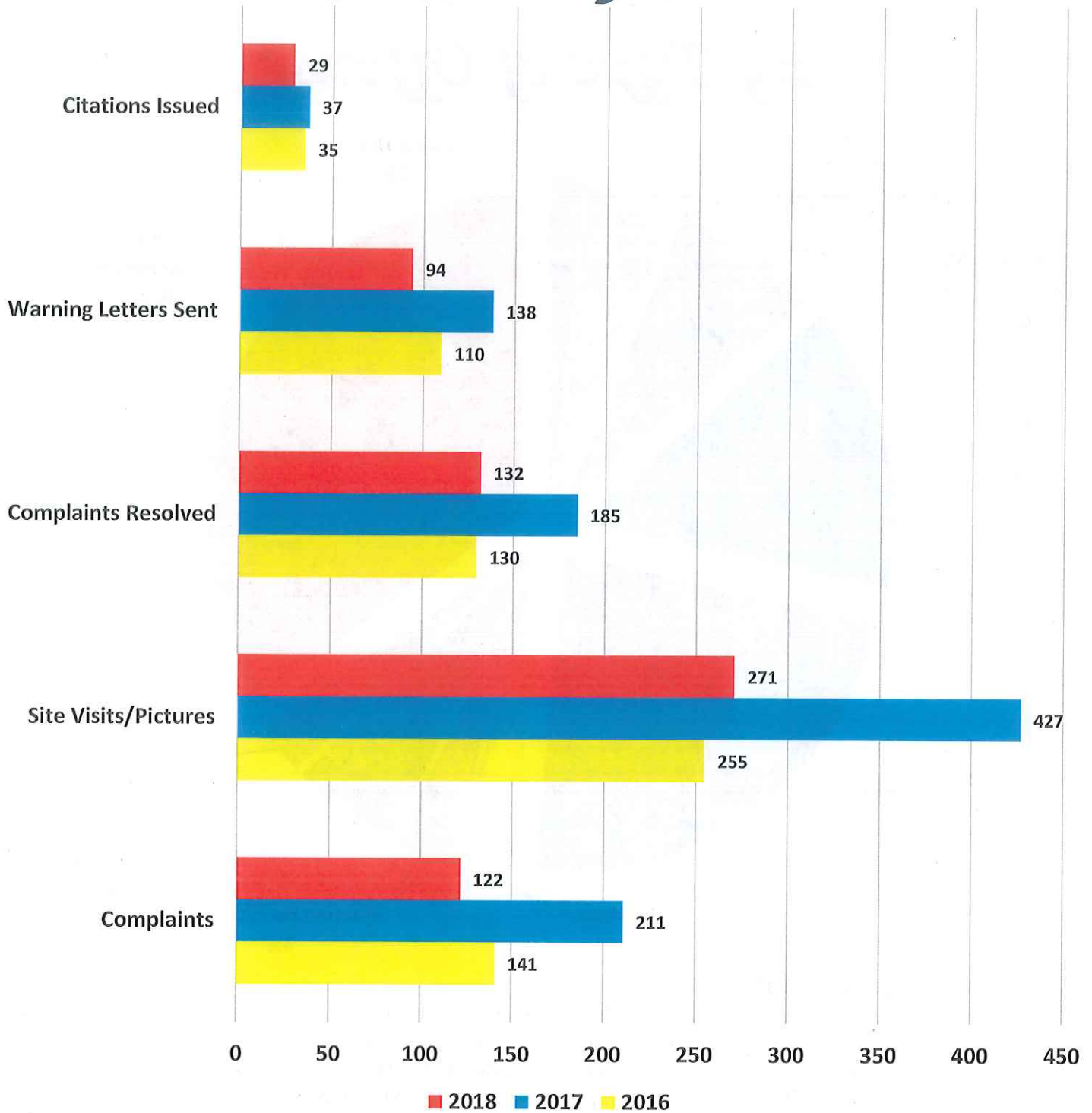
# Drug Arrest and Citation Percentages By Type of Offense



- Compared to 2017:
  - Possession of Cocaine citations/arrests increased 1%
  - Possession w/Intent citations/arrests increased 4%
  - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia citations/arrests increased 1%
  - Possession of Controlled Substances/Narcotics increased 1%
  - Possession of THC citations/arrests did not change
  - Possession of Methamphetamine citations/arrests did not change



# 2017 Code Compliance 3 Year Comparison



# Parking Summary by Ordinance

From 01/01/2018 to 12/31/2018

Ordinance Description	Current Year (2018)	Fine Total (2018)	Year to Date	Same Month Prior Year	Last Year (2017)
All Other Parking	1	\$15	1	0	0
Alternate	237	\$3540	237	91	318
Excess of 48 Hours	35	\$525	35	1	51
Handicapped	5	\$500	5	0	0
No 2am to 6am	42	\$630	42	8	63
No Parking Anytime	12	\$180	12	0	9
No Truck or Van	12	\$180	12	0	0
Overnight Parking	23	\$330	23	0	15
Residential Parking	2	\$30	2	1	2
Restricted	22	\$330	22	4	39
Restricted Parking – CS	1	\$15	1	0	0
Restricted Parking – In City Park	1	\$15	1	0	0
School Zone	1	\$15	1	0	1
State Traffic Parking	8	\$120	8	0	7
Two Hour	0	\$0	0	2	4
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>\$6425</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>509</b>



# Chief's Yearly Activity Report

During the year of 2018, the Sparta Police Department responded to 15,018 calls for service, issued 1,820 traffic citations, arrested 175 people for operating while under the influence and made 2,263 non-traffic related arrests. The overall activity level was lower when compared to the prior year.

## Index Crimes:

### Part I Offences Reported:

Homicide: 0	Sex Offense: 52	Assault: 9	Burglary: 22
Theft: 182	Motor Vehicle Theft: 17	Arson: 0	Robbery: 0

### Part II Offenses Reported:

Fraud: 135	Criminal Damage: 69	Drug: 95
Domestic: 57	Disorderly: 34	Weapons: 23

### Part III Traffic Offenses Reported:

Crashes: 314	Traffic Complaints: 274	Traffic Stops: 4106
Parking Complaints: 0	Parking Tickets Issued: 265	

### Part IV Incidents:

Alarms: 118	Mental: 27	Suspensions: 531	Open Door/Window: 13
Warrants: 121	Noise: 78	911 Hang Up: 393	Animal: 320

## Citations & Arrests

### Traffic: 1820

### Non-Traffic: 2263

Speed Related	135	Bail Jumping	334
Traffic Signs & Signals	67	Battery	568
Driver License Violations	444	Burglary	8
Vehicle Registration	155	Disorderly Conduct	231
OMVWI/PAC	244	Obstructing/Resisting	91
Insurance	453	Drug Related	568
Seat Belts	68	Theft	120
All Others	254	Underage Drinking	36
		Curfew	0
		Truancy	14
		All Others	293



# *Chief's Report*

## **Training:**

- All Officers are in compliance with the training hours required by training and standards.
- All Officers completed the firearms qualification course required by training and standards.
- All Officers are in compliance with training & standards required Emergency Vehicle Operation Course (EVOC).

## **Officers participated in the following activities:**

- Shop with a Hero
- Christmas for Kids – purchasing and delivering presents to local children
- Christmas Parade and Christmas Train events
- Holiday Lights in the Park
- Halloween Safety presentations at the schools
- Trick or Treat booth at the Barney center
- National Night Out
- Family Literacy Night at the AEC center reading books to youth
- K-9 demonstrations for schools and organizations
- Community tours of the Police Station for youth groups
- Bike Safety programs
- Butterfest
- K-9 golf tournament
- Boys and Girls Club
- Chamber of Commerce
- Cancer Walk
- Plus other community, church, and school events

# *Sparta Police Department K9 Unit*



## **2018 Stats for K9 Kaiser**

Deployments – 45  
Vehicle Sniffs – 30  
Tracks – 3  
Building Searches – 4  
Passive Apprehensions – 3  
Article Search – 1

## **2018 Stats for Larz**

Deployments – 36  
Vehicle Sniffs – 29  
Building Sniff (Jail) – 1  
Open Area Searches (Alarms/Articles) – 3  
Attempt to Locate – 1  
School Sniffs – 2



# Sparta Police Department

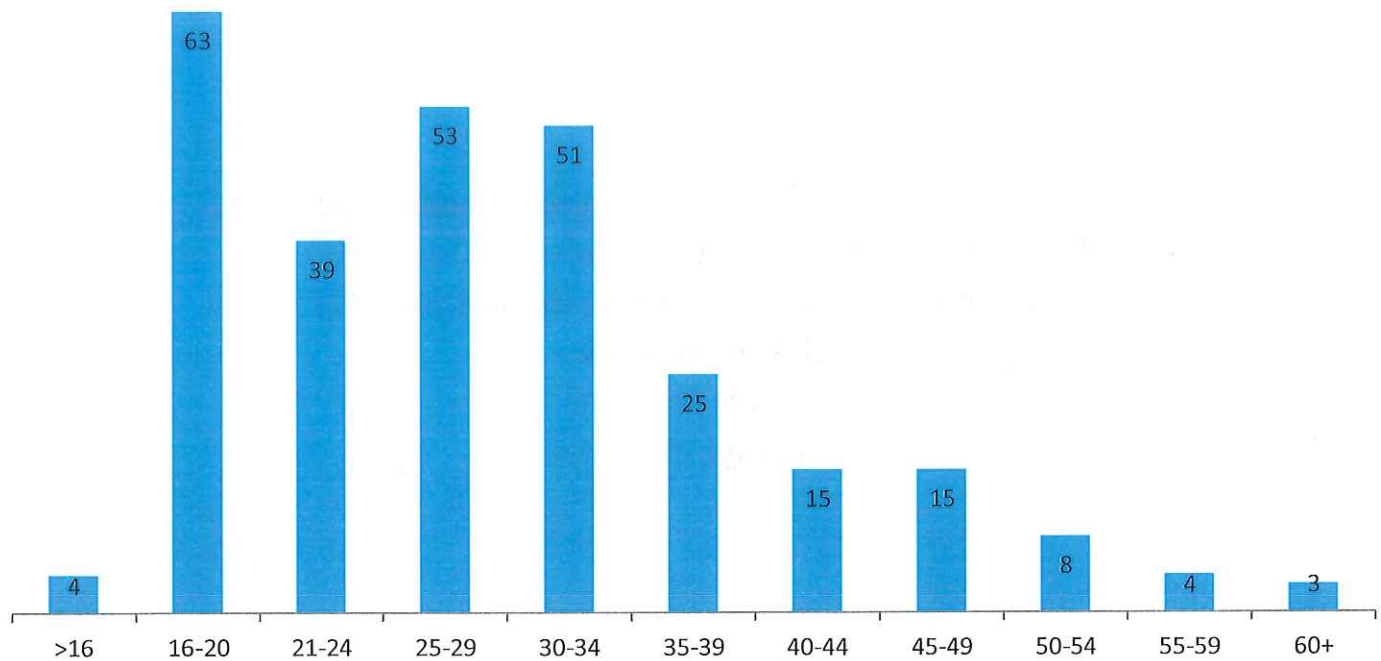
## 2018 Drug Report

*For the purpose of this report, a "drug seizure" is an incident in which an illegal substance or drug paraphernalia as defined under WI Statutes Ch. 961 and Ch. 450 was seized, located, or recovered and taken into police custody. Data in this report has been compiled from SPD's record management system and evidence tracking program with information provided by the reporting officers. Illegal substances have been primarily tested and identified using presumptive field tests, although some have been confirmed from the Wisconsin Crime Lab.*

### Offender Demographics

In 2018, 250 individual offenders were cited, arrested, or were referred to court for drug-related offenses. Thirty subjects were repeat offenders. Offenders' age ranged from 14 to 62 years old with the average age of an offender being 29. The majority of all drug offenders, 69%, were males.

### Amount of Offenders by Age Group\*

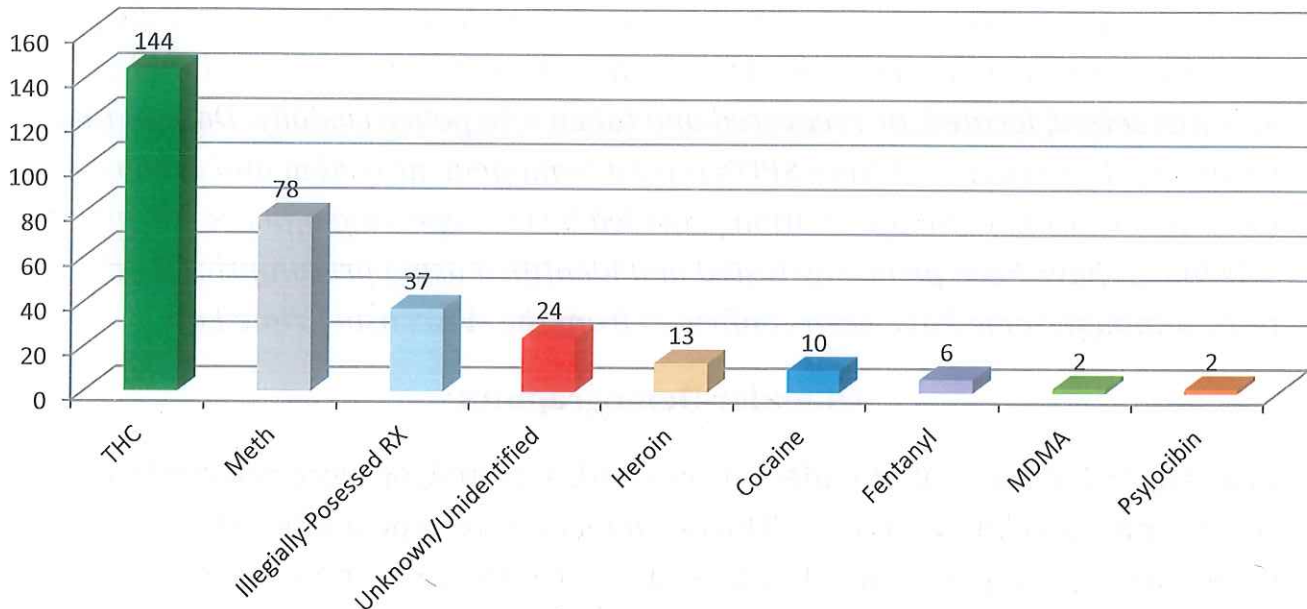


\*repeat offenders were included for each offense



## What We've Taken off the Streets

### Frequency of Drug Type Seized



This graph shows the frequency in which officers seized a common specific drug and its related paraphernalia. Some cases included seizures of several different types of drugs.

### Approximate Total Weights of Commonly Seized Illegal Drugs

Marijuana (THC): 1536 grams (about 3.3 pounds)

Methamphetamine: 269 grams (about .6 pounds)

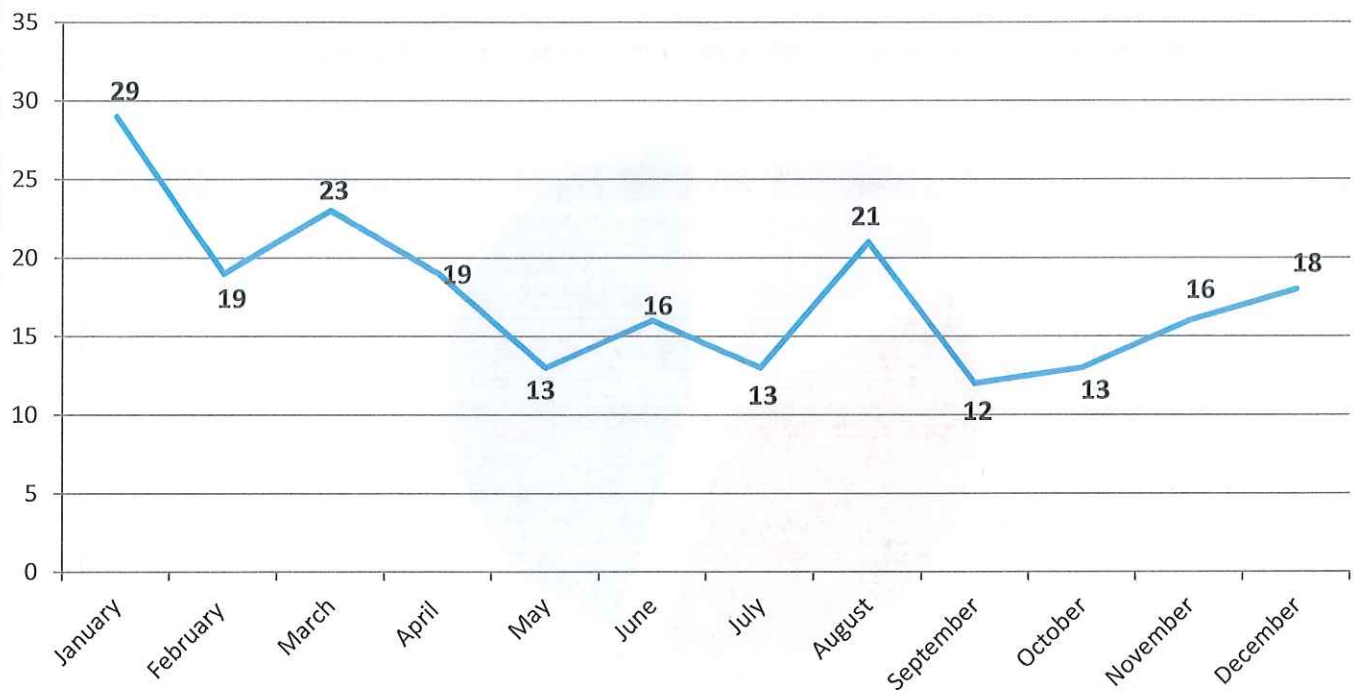
Heroin: 6 grams

Cocaine: 8 grams

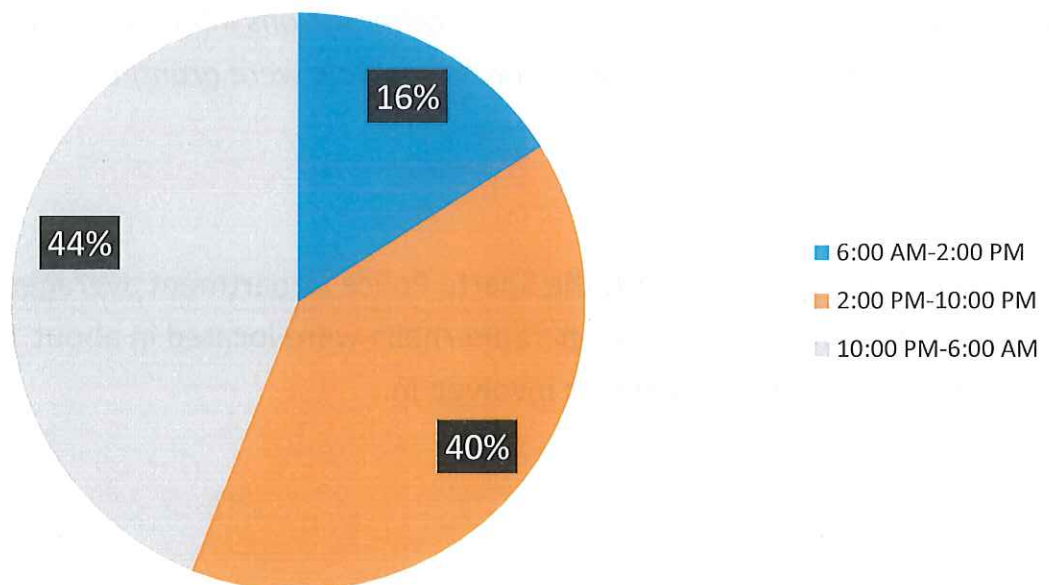
Fentanyl: .5 grams

## When Drugs Were Seized

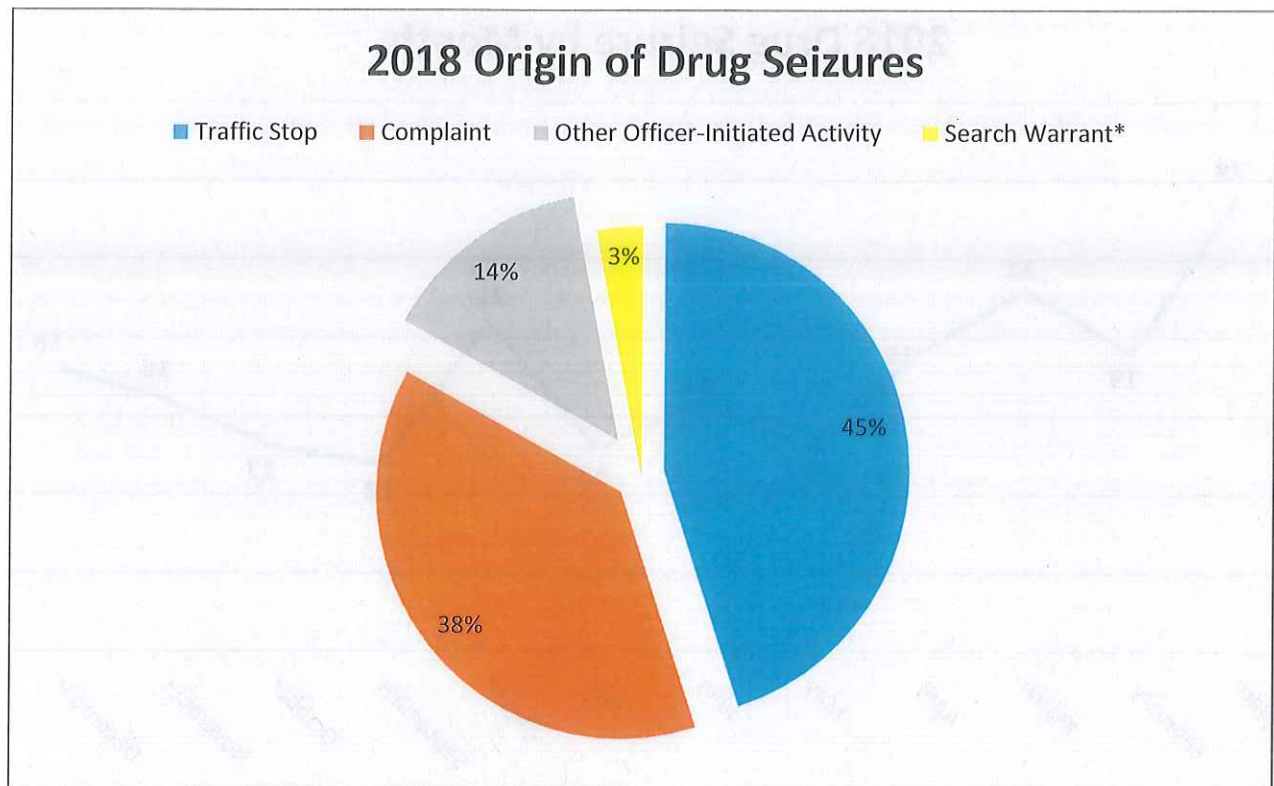
### 2018 Drug Seizure by Month



### 2018 Drug Seizures by Shift



## How Officers Encountered Drugs



*“Complaints” include calls originating from citizens, Probation/Parole agents, or another law enforcement agency. “Other officer-initiated activity” includes pedestrian checks, suspicious person/vehicle checks, or other actions initiated by the officers excluding traffic enforcement. Some search warrants were granted as a result of another call.*

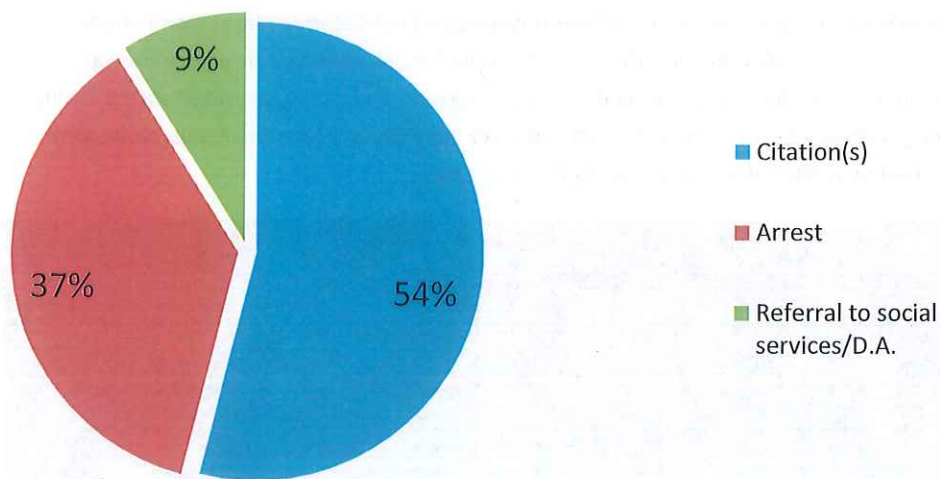
In regards to traffic enforcement, the Sparta Police Department averaged about 11 traffic stops per day. Drugs and/or paraphernalia were located in about 1 out of every 43 traffic stops the Department was involved in.



## How Drug Seizures Were Processed

In 2018, 95 drug-related municipal citations were issued, and 155 offenders were arrested. By comparison in 2017, 112 citations were issued and 127 offenders were arrested. Drug citations can be issued for possession of marijuana, possession on synthetic marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

### Marijuana-Only Offender Disposition



Only 37% of offenders in possession of just marijuana were arrested; many of whom had prior drug convictions and/or also had additional criminal offenses as well.

## Methamphetamine

In recent years, meth has become increasingly popular within the area. Sparta PD has seen a nearly 18% increase in meth seizures from 2017 to 2018, and about a 27% increase since 2016.

A total of 89 different offenders were arrested or referred to the District Attorney for charges related to meth; compared to 65 offenders in 2017.

## *2018 Citizen's Academy*

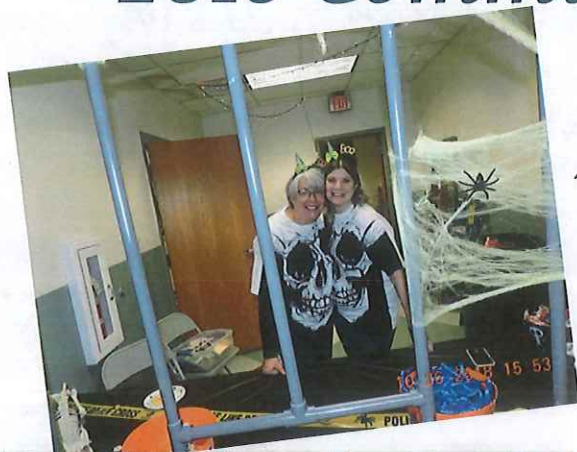
2018 brought us the opportunity to host another Citizen's Academy. In fact we were able to host the largest Academy to date with 14 people attending. The academy is a platform we use to give those who attend the opportunity to learn more about the duties and responsibilities of the employees of the Sparta Police Department, and the day-to-day operations of the Sparta Police Department. The academy sessions began in September and ended in November with the majority of sessions occurring on Tuesday nights starting at 7 pm and ending at 9 pm. Tuesday night sessions included a visit to the Monroe County Dispatch Center, the Monroe County Jail, the Monroe County Court House (for a presentation by Judge Goodman and District Attorney Kevin Croninger), the Emergency Vehicle Operation Course, a presentation on forensic evidence, a TASER presentation (always a crowd favorite), a demonstration provided by the canine handlers and their four legged (also always a crowd favorite). There were three Saturday sessions that included a range day, a presentation by Gundersen Air along with the Sparta Area Ambulance Service and the Sparta Area Fire District where attendees were able to run rescue equipment to cut up a couple of cars that were arranged to simulate a mock accident. The cars were donated by PER Towing of Sparta. The final hands on session met on a Saturday also and consisted of shoot-don't shoot scenarios where participants are provided with an air soft gun and conduct mock traffic stops where they are presented with a scenario where deadly force may or may not be appropriate. The academy ended with a family friendly dinner at Club 16 where Certificates of Completion and Sparta Police Department Challenge coins were provided to the participants. (below picture was taken during the range day)



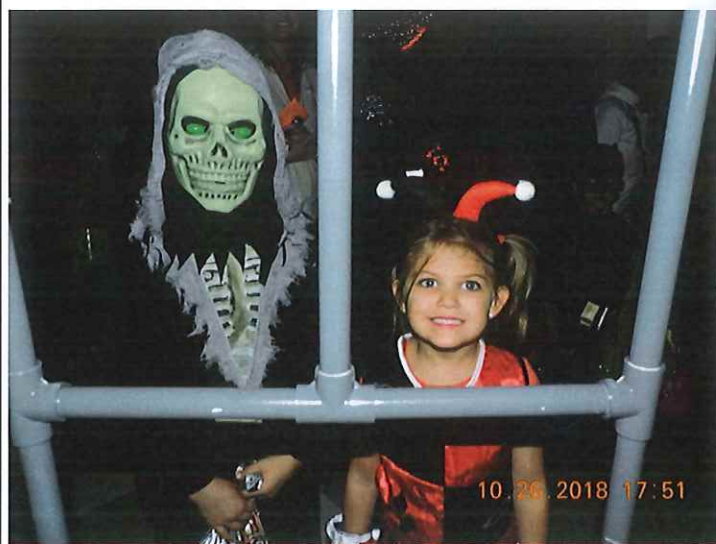
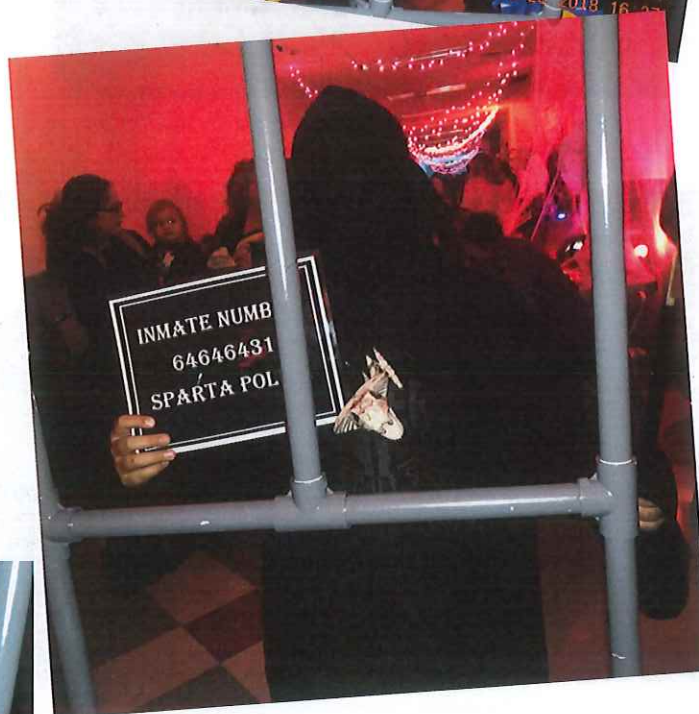
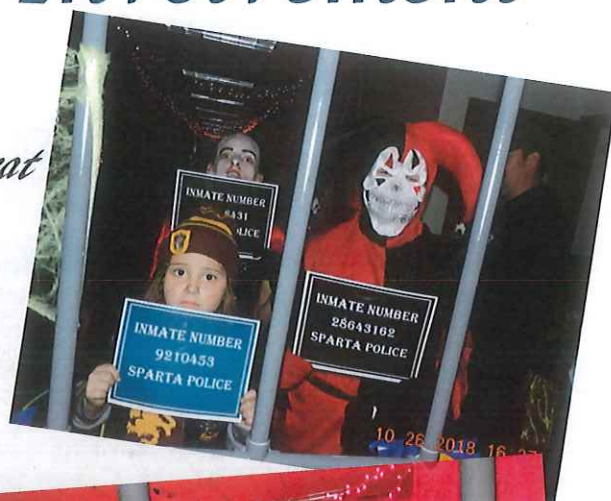
Pictured above from left to right -Officer Marc Nelson, Megan Anderson, James Anderson, Ashley Puent, Mark Rewey, Anthony Austin, Russell Keith, Emily Becker, Lois Stedman, Kristofer Danielson, Officer Kyle Guralski and Sgt. Jason Pipkin. Picture taken by Sgt. Joel Ames (Academy Coordinator)



# 2018 Community Involvement



*Trick or Treat  
Street*





# National Night Out





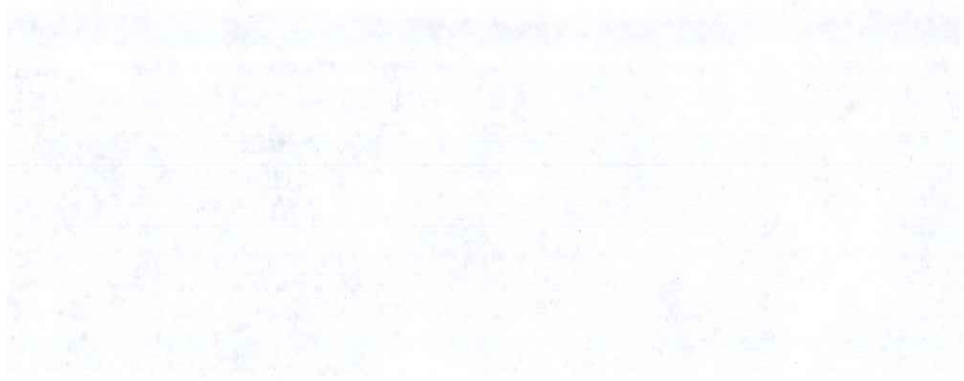


## K9 Golf Outing





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