



HAMILTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

**"A COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE FOR ALL CITIZENS
WITH FAIR AND EQUITABLE PERFORMANCE"**

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HCSO K-9 Deputy
"Quanto"
2007 - 2017

The Mission, Vision, and Core Values Of The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

"Commitment to Excellence for All Citizens with Fair and Equitable Performance "

VISION

To become *"THE PREMIER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN TENNESSEE"* through the pursuit of professional excellence and partnerships with our community maintaining a high quality of life through collaborative problem solving.

INTEGRITY

We pledge to maintain a strong sense of honesty, morality, and ethical character.

HONESTY

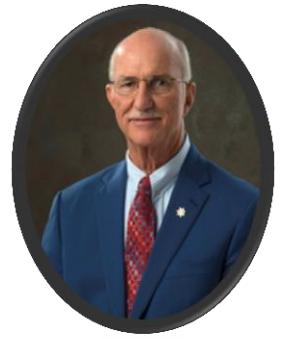
We pledge to always be truthful, sincere, upright, and decent.

CHARACTER

We pledge to maintain the highest ethical standards and honorable personal qualities, serving as role models for our youth, our community, and our profession.

Annual CALEA

“Message from the Sheriff”



Law enforcement today is not your traditional 9-to-5 desk job, nor is its ranks filled with the usual stereotypical figures from TV and the movies. Every day I observe our personnel challenged with the awesome responsibility and authority to maintain public order. At the same time, I routinely watch our deputies and those who support them engaged in “real-life community policing” as they connect with our citizens, identify and solve problems and are personally involved in their communities on a daily basis. The result is a dynamic work force that blends tactical responses, critical thinking, interpersonal skills and a skilled support team all designed to protect and serve the 360,000 citizens in Hamilton County.

My role as the sheriff of Hamilton County is not unlike the role of all sheriffs across our great nation. As a constitutional officer in the State of Tennessee, my statutory duties encompass the common law duties that are grouped into four broad categories; (1) keeping the peace, (2) attending the courts, (3) serving the process and orders of the courts, and (4) operating the jail(s).

I have also set a standard for myself and for our employees that we present ourselves as men and women of integrity at all times. That means being ethical in all matters, so that we are always identified as people of good character and morality - role models for true justice. I can assure you I do not take this challenge and responsibility lightly.

2017 was an exceptionally challenging, eventful and productive year for our agency. Since the activation of the Bridge Plan in late 2016, we have seen several older employees take advantage of their early retirement offer in 2017, opening the way for many promotions. We will also see our chief deputy and three captains retire by this June 30, which will pave the way for another round of hiring and promotions.

Last year our agency was instrumental in creating a dozen new innovative projects and also expanded or enhanced twelve of our current programs, all designed to protect, serve and support the public.

Every year we continue to inquire into and respond to solicitations for competitive grants. Last year, our agency was successful in adding over \$800,000 of grant funding to our budget to help fund our projects and objectives.

With manpower shortages being what they have been for several years in our Patrol and each of the Criminal Investigative Services Divisions, I was especially impressed last year with our ability to institute effective small-unit tactics, and with the ability of our deputies to communicate and mobilize to get the job done – all with superior outcomes. Many of our deputies in these divisions have far exceeded what was expected of them. Our Training and K9 Divisions were especially active with new training and new dogs.

This past year has kept me and several of my staff very involved in working at solutions for our aging jail. When the county explored the cost of a new jail, that figure went as high as \$132 million. To pay for that, the county would have had to approve a serious tax hike, so the hunt for a solution continued.

Then, in early September the Hamilton County Commission voted to end Silverdale's life as the county workhouse and transferred control of the entire facility to the sheriff's office, and we entered into a new agreement with CoreCivic. That move marked the first major step in our phasing out our jail downtown with plans of expanding the inmate capacity at Silverdale. (CoreCivic's cost to the county has ranged between \$13-\$14 million a year.)

Our agency has been a leader in our county's Justice and Mental Health Initiative. Our plan is to identify and target 25-50, high-need "frequent users" who cycle repeatedly through our Jail, Silverdale, emergency rooms, hospitals, shelter beds, county EMS and all the other county support services at a great expense to our citizens, not to mention the huge burden on all area law enforcement and the criminal justice system – all at a huge expense to everyone.

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) is a standard, a measure and a bench mark by which our agency can reach our full potential as an accredited law enforcement agency that is respected by our peers in the law enforcement community across our state and nation. After evaluating our performance since our full accreditation in 2013, we can easily see the accomplishments we have achieved in taking our place as a premier law enforcement agency. Our state and national standing offers us more credibility for grants, stronger legal defenses against potential lawsuits and a level of professionalism that can only be reached as a respected member of our nation's highest certification process. To be CALEA accredited is seen as an honor and a benchmark for excellence among our peers. I am proud to serve the citizens of Hamilton County with a staff of men and women who hold the professional honor of working with a CALEA accredited agency.

Whether it be conducting a command staff meeting setting the goals and objectives of the staff, conducting a press conference on relevant events of the day, overseeing the need to offer additional protection to our youth and community through our School Resource Officer Division, visiting with citizens of our county through Neighborhood Watch meetings, dialoging with community elected official as well as a variety of civic, church or community leaders or simply speaking personally with individual citizens who wish to bend the ear of their sheriff – each holds a important place in my daily life and my vision for our agency.

For the past ten plus years it has been my distinct pleasure to serve the Citizens of Hamilton County as their sheriff. My personal value system, based on my strong Christian beliefs, my education in the disciplines of the Criminal Justice System, my dedication to integrity, social justice, moral absolutes for me and my employees and the desire to see all citizens rise to their full potential in a safe and protected environment drive my passion to be a reputable and effective sheriff for all the citizens of Hamilton County.

Sheriff Jim Hammond

“Message from Chief Deputy Allen Branum”

Thinking about the past as we look to the future, it is easy to reflect on the operation and progress made by the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office over the past year. I cannot help but also think further back and compare how our responses have changed due to the ever changing needs of the citizens we are sworn to protect. There have been trends throughout the decades that have required all first responders to adjust based on the needs and expectations of this community.



The expectations of the law enforcement profession have evolved from serving as “protectors” to serving in every capacity to include, but not limited to, counselors, teachers, lawyers, preachers, and social workers to name just a few. We are also expected to pick up the “after-hours void” of some other social agencies that cease to operate beyond their Monday through Friday schedules. There is no immediate relief in sight, and these expectations and responsibilities will most likely continue to expand.

The Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office has been fortunate to attract a group of dedicated, professional individuals who perform admirably protecting this community and taking on the many expanded roles necessary in order to fulfill the operational needs and expectations of our citizens. The HCSO does this by accepting the expanded roles, but most of all, by caring about the outcomes!

Sheriff Hammond had a passion to attain the CALEA Certification. This goal established protocol and verified what many of us already knew: That our people have continuously elevated the HCSO to the highest level of service. The accreditation process has helped us to confirm what we have been doing right and has further identified the areas we need to work on to keep the standards high.

The greatest assets we have as an agency are our employees. They care what happens to their neighbors, friends, families, and co-workers who experience some of these issues on a daily basis. Our law enforcement, corrections and civilian personnel all routinely perform above and beyond their job descriptions. This performance results in a direct part of accomplishing the goals of the agency. Each day, our people go above and beyond the call of duty in order to help provide a better quality of life for those they serve, despite the ever increasing demands placed upon them.

We are experiencing a shift in personnel as retirement incentives take effect and this has created some turnover and upward mobility for many of our people. I, for one, will be retiring in 2018 after a forty-one plus (41) year career. As we move forward, I have every confidence that the HCSO family will continue to step up to the plate and perform admirably in the coming years.

Finally, let me personally comment on ending my incredibly successful career on a positive note. I owe my success to those who I have depended on for guidance and support. I thank you all for your dedication and service, but most of all for your friendship over the years. Thank you for everything you’ve done to make the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office and Allen Branum better! May God continue to bless you all, and I pray for continued safety and success for each of you and your families.

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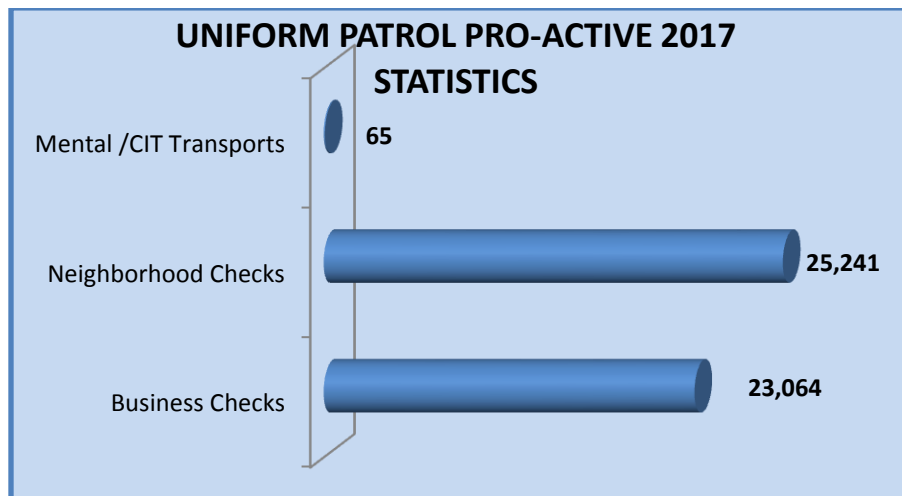
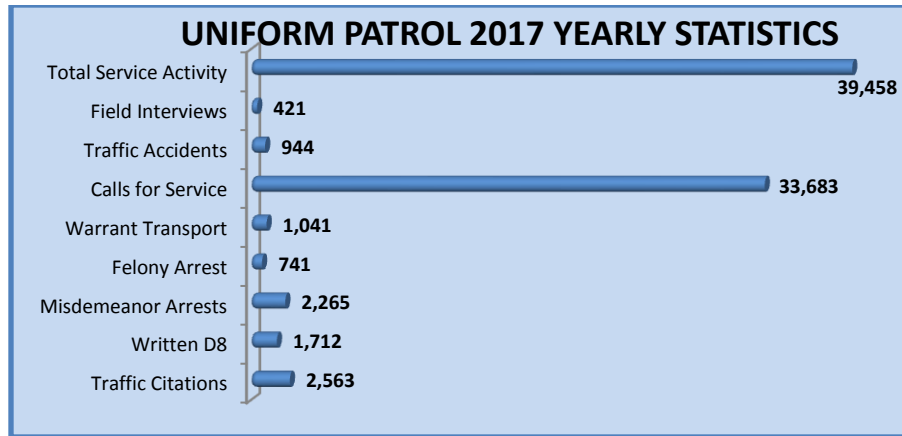
Jim Hammond, Sheriff



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UNIFORM SERVICES

PATROL SERVICES





Commendations:

- Deputy Marler received a years-of service award plaque for 2017.
- On January 19, 2017 approximately 0547 hours, Deputy Miller responded to a Shots Fired call. Upon investigation he caught and arrested Morgan Shoemaker in the area. Miller charged her with one (1) count of attempted 1st Degree Murder, one (1) count of Reckless Endangerment, one (1) count of burglary (of an automobile), one (1) count of Possession of a Firearm during the commission of a felony and three (3) counts of burglary of an automobile and one (1) count of Theft for the gun from an associated case.
- Month of April, Deputy Steven Gaffin received his five-year Service Award/Plaque, received a commendation & challenge coin for his attempted effort to save the life of a motor crash victim involved in a vehicle fire near the 6400 block of Bay Shore Drive.
- Month of October, Sergeant Matthew Purvis received a letter of “Commendation” for his efforts in the apprehension of a car burglary suspect and charging him with five (5) counts of burglary from auto.

- Month of November, Deputy Ray responded to an Aggravated Robbery at 8150 Sue Drive. Kenny McCullough was attempting to steal a trailer at this location and he pulled a pistol on the trailer owner when he was apprehended.
- Month of November, Deputies Shelton & Durham responded to 1730 Gold Point Circle North at the Chattanooga Fish 7 Fun in reference to a burglary in progress. The suspect fled on a motor cycle and ended-up running in to a lake.
- On December 6, 2017, Deputy Denton observed a silver Acura in the 8600 block of Highway 58. A check of the vehicle's Georgia registration confirmed the vehicle to be stolen out of Catoosa County, Georgia. A traffic stop on the vehicle was initiated. The vehicle ran from officers until the driver lost control and went off the roadway hitting a tree and a fence at the 10000 block of Birchwood Pike. The driver of the vehicle exited the vehicle and ran east into a wooded area. The driver was not found. Vehicle recovery value \$2,500.00.
- On December 11, 2017, Deputy Hunter answered a stolen vehicle call at 9823 Birchwood Pike. He had the vehicle entered into the NCIC. Later in the shift, Deputy Hunter located the stolen Ford Taurus at 6242 Massengale Hollow Road. He then recovered the vehicle and arrested the person who had taken the vehicle. Vehicle recovery value \$2,000.00
- On December 12, 2017, Deputy Denton observed a silver Hummer HH3, in the 5700 block of Highway 58. A check of the registration confirmed the registration plate to be stolen out of Chattanooga on 11-21-2017. Deputy Denton attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicle. The vehicle then failed to stop. The vehicle was pursued until it went off road at 8831 Waconda Lane. The vehicle then drove around the residence attempting to flee through the wooded area on the side of the residence. The vehicle then struck a tree before coming to a complete stop. The driver and passenger were arrested. Deputy Denton was then notified the vehicle had been stolen on 12-11-2017 from Sports and Imports out of Chattanooga, TN. Vehicle recovery value \$10,000.00
- On December 16, 2017, Deputy A. Yeargan observed a black Kia Sorrento (TN 7C84H6) turn right from the 7700 block of Lee Hwy onto Bonny Oaks Drive, at a red light, without coming to a stop. The vehicle had been reported stolen earlier in the day in the City of East Ridge. Deputy Yeargan initiated a stop but the vehicle began to evade and flee. The vehicle was pursued to the 1700 block of John Ross Road in East Ridge. The driver and 5 passengers were arrested. Vehicle recovery value \$8,000.00.
- Month of May, Deputy Richmond was commended by Criminal Investigations for his thoroughness while taking calls by phone on restrictive duty.



Significant Events:

- Alpha Patrol Team recovered **\$332,577.00** worth of Stolen Property, during the year. Alpha Patrol Team also responded to **10,759** various Police Calls for Service, during the year. They also worked **264** Traffic Crashes, issued **614** written citations and **303** written warning for various traffic violations. The Team made **365** Misdemeanor arrests, **147** felony arrests and performed **244** warrant arrests during the year.
- The team performed a total of **6,226** business checks and **7,777** neighborhood checks, during their routine patrol function. The team managed to still perform all of our expected patrol tasks even though we had several deputies being out of work for a total of **354** days of OJI (On the Job Injury).

Goals & Ideas for 2017 & 2018:

- We still need to focus on more Traffic Enforcement to reduce the amount of crashes, and Patrolling Subdivisions; Auto burglary and residential burglaries seem to be the most problematic crimes occurring.
- Attempt to have deputies patrolling more in neighborhoods, becoming even more proactive within the communities we serve.
- Continue to be involved with community events in our areas of coverage to help bridge communications & interactions between law enforcement officers and our citizens at the same time.



David Barto

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Today on Standifer Gap I came up on a horrible yet uplifting sight.

Someone had saw fit to plow through a group of Canadian Geese as they crossed the road killing several, and severely wounding one. The Hamilton County Sheriff's Deputy, I believe the car # was 482 had traffic stopped and was as tenderly as possible trying to get the wounded goose off of the road.

Once the officer got the goose off of the road I pulled over and trying to be helpful loaded it up in the truck and rushed it towards the Chattanooga Zoo. Alas, the goose passed as we were going through the Branerd tunnel and getting on McCallie.

I am proud that Jeanie Hammond's husband, Sheriff Jim Hammond hires such compassionate and good hearted cops! I think the Bible says something about "Love the least of these"

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

This report contains the review of the past year's activities for the School Resource Officer Unit. Many events have occurred that have made an impact on the agency, the schools, the students and the community as a whole.

SRO - PATROL	Total
Assist School Staff	6,440
Call For Service	796
Citation In lieu of Arrest	265
Felony Arrest	30
Juvenile Arrest – No Custody	59
Misdemeanor Arrest	115
Warrant Transport	43
Assaults	94
Fights	111
Drug Offense	75
Weapon Offenses	17
Gang Activity	29
Conflict Resolution	473
Faculty Advisory	4,358
Parent Advisory	2,140
Student Advisory	6,118
Class Presentation	1,712
Club/Organization Activity	314
Special Event Attended	557
Stolen Property Recovered	5
Total Activity	23,751

Commendations:

The SROs this year have had various events on campuses involving the threat of violence and the presence of loaded handguns in the possession of students. This has impacted the safety of schools across the district. In a time where law enforcement officers are getting a negative slant from the public and media, our SROs were successful in improving the image of law enforcement in our community.

Shift Operational Impact:

The SRO Unit received a new COPS grant that increased the number of SROs to 31 on 29 campuses. The program has seen a large advancement in ability and coverage across the county.

Significant Events:

The SRO Unit added the Federal Justice Assistance grant (JAG) and is working with On Point as an at-risk student identifier program at Brown Middle, Central High, and Tyner Middle and High Schools.

Goals & Ideas:

There are needs for the SRO Unit that still remain to be met. There is still one secondary school campus without an SRO, Normal Park. Additionally, an elementary program is needed in order to continue our impact with students, faculty, and parents in a more positive way. The agency received a federal COPS grant to assist in replacing previous SROs due to manpower shortages. It is proposed to introduce three corporals into SRO in the future.

Following the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Connecticut, several elementary school administrators have requested the placement of an SRO on their campuses. This would require an additional at minimum of 45 deputies plus supervisors. A more reasonable and attainable number would be to assign one deputy to two or three campuses and begin developing the program from there. This would require additional supervisors as well.

Year-end Summary:

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office currently has deputies assigned to 29 campuses within the Hamilton County School District. These deputies are all trained as School Resource Officers, hereinafter referred to as an SRO, and each possesses the knowledge necessary to implement the School Resource Officer Program within the schools. The deputies were instructed to incorporate the SRO Triad plus 1 approach into their daily activities on campus. The Triad plus 1 concept involves the deputy performing functions in law enforcement, life, advisory sessions, being guest educators within the classroom, and serving as a role model for the students. This year we continued to have additional personnel with the two Chattanooga Police Department officers assigned to the unit on special assignment.



One CPD officer is assigned as a partner with an HCSO deputy at Brainerd High School, and a CPD officer partners with a HCSO Deputy at Howard High School. The officers typically work alongside their partners, each trained to incorporate the SRO concept in the same manner. This report contains the performance statistics as well as detailed information on different types of actions taken by the deputies over the past year. You will find information regarding various types of arrests or criminal charges filed with Juvenile Court, different advisory session topics, and a variety of classroom lecture topics that the deputies performed.

Although the majority of time most school campuses function primarily as the learning environment, criminal activity does occur. The deputies assigned to these campuses have been tasked with not only filing a report on these activities, but they also have to investigate them to an end of either suspending the investigation due to no available evidence, clearing the cases exceptionally due to victims deciding not to prosecute, or by making an arrest or the filing of criminal charges with the courts.



The deputies have cleared a number of cases by the filing of criminal charges as Citations in Lieu of Arrest, as well as Misdemeanor and Felony Arrests where subjects were actually transported to the Juvenile Detention Unit. Additionally, the deputies also made several contacts with students involved in criminal activity that were cleared by handling within the department as a Juvenile Arrest with No Custody. This method gave the students an

opportunity to serve an alternative punishment in an attempt to avoid criminal charges and gain a better understanding of their expected behavior.

The students were assigned community service tasks such as painting, trash pickup, as well as submitting research papers on the offense in which they were found to have been responsible for committing. The types of offenses students were charged with are: Tobacco Citations, Possession of Controlled Substances on School Grounds; Alcohol Use or Possession Violations, Weapons Law Violations (handguns, knives and brass knuckles) Simple, Domestic, and Aggravated Assault, Disorderly Conduct due to fighting or creating disturbances on campus without cooperating with administrators or deputies and Theft. The deputies typically filed petitions with Juvenile Court instead of transporting every subject in an attempt to remain on campus and be available for any other circumstances.

SROs are participating in additional activities on campus that would ordinarily be outside the normal actions of a law enforcement officer in any other assignment. These are the vital components of the Triad plus 1 concept to include life advising sessions with students, parents, faculty, and other staff members. They also must attend special events during and after school hours, participate in club or organizational activities, and make classroom presentations that are law enforcement related. Some of the topics that have been discussed during the advising sessions have been bullying issues, dating problems, concerns with problems at home between parents and children, and many discussions about driving issues and those looking for advice in dealing with difficult situations of professional or personal issues.



The deputies have attended club and organization activities on campus that include student counsel and honor society meetings, addressed P.T.A. groups as guest speakers, attended safety committee team sessions to discuss concerns on campus as well planning for safety drills, sat in on faculty meetings as a participating member of the school staff. They also have attended athletic events such as football, basketball, wrestling, and volleyball games. There has been school dances and field trips attended as chaperones and open house functions to meet parents and students.

Many classroom lectures have been conducted this past year with new topics being explored by various deputies. Presentations dealing with law enforcement issues such as Searches and Seizures, Driving under the Influence and Driving Safety, Drug and Tobacco Use, and Fingerprinting and Forensic Investigations are just a few. Other topics have been Internet and On-line Predator Safety, Safety Drill Procedures, Bullying and Violence, and Setting Career and Life Goals. Many of these lectures have provided valuable information to the young people within our community that they can utilize throughout their student life and on into adulthood.

The activity level of the SROs on the school campuses is at expected levels when considering the populations of the various student bodies. Some SROs have shown more law enforcement actions, and others have participated more in the classroom and advisory roles. This is a normal example of activity by an SRO under

these circumstances, and as the SRO Unit grows, there will continue to be a wide range of activities and actions submitted by the SROs.

The deputies from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office assigned to the area schools have risen up to the challenge of building the necessary relationships with our students, parents, faculty members, and the community. These relationships through the SRO Triad plus 1 concept have already made a valuable impact on the lives the deputies have encountered. It is the intention of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office's SRO Unit to expand on the work already performed and to continue these efforts towards building a SRO Program that all members of the Sheriff's Office and the Community of Hamilton County can be proud of ensuring the futures of our children.

SRO 2017 Activities





SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS

Since 2001, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT) has provided a ready response to situations that were beyond the capabilities of normally equipped and trained Department personnel. The need for SWAT expertise and assistance with warrant service is dependent upon: unusual circumstances beyond the capabilities of normal warrant service; heavily fortified location; weapons are present and have been used in the past; gang members are known to be present; use of diversionary tactics is anticipated; and, door and window pulls are anticipated.

The Hamilton County Special Weapons and Tactics Team responds upon the request of the Incident Commander (IC) to barricade/hostage episodes, and/or suicide intervention, as well as initiating the service of high risk warrants for all of the Department entities

February 25, 2017 - SWAT requested for high-risk warrant service at the Blackberry Apartments, 7516 Dayton Pike in Soddy Daisy. The warrant was for an individual wanted for carjacking, aggravated assault and theft. The suspect was believed to be armed. The suspect was apprehended without incident.

February 28, 2017 - SWAT callout at 426 Dilbeck Lane in Birchwood. Initial report of a shooting after intelligence was gathered a female was followed home by her estranged husband and he may have fired shots at her. The initial patrol deputies and SWAT operators on-scene determined the female could potentially be a hostage. As the operators breached the door to affect a rescue of the female, the suspect shot himself. The suspect survived and was transported by EMS and later charged.

March 14, 2018 - SWAT personnel called to 2050 Duckett Lane in the Lakesite area to assist with a subject making suicidal threats who was also violating a protection order. There was also information gathered the suspect may have explosives in the garage area he was in. Chattanooga Police EOD responded to assist with the call-out. The armored vehicle was utilized to provide cover to the entry team, as well as blast protection from any possible booby traps set by the subject. Entry was made and the subject was found passed out from drinking alcohol and was taken into custody. EOD cleared the area and declared it all safe.

March 21, 2017 - SWAT was requested by Narcotics and Special Ops to execute a high-risk drug warrant at 9134-B Dayton Pike in Soddy Daisy at the residence of a known violent offender. Entry team personnel made entry after the use of distraction devices and detained four individuals in the residence and turned the location over to Narcotics and DEA for processing.

March 30, 2017 - SWAT was requested by Narcotics and Special Ops to execute a high-risk drug warrant at 414 Sevier Street in Hixson at the residence of a known violent and armed offender. A partial team response was needed and the "black team" personnel executed the warrant with the use of distraction devices and "break and rake" techniques. After securing the suspect and his firearms, the suspect was turned over to NSO for processing.

July 2017 - The team executed a high risk fugitive warrant for the Cincinnati, OH Police Department at 9133 Pleasant Lane in Ooltewah for a murder suspect. There was also additional information the suspect was in position of firearms. The team conducted the search warrant and upon entry gained control of the residence and residents inside. They verified the suspect was inside and were quickly removed and relocated to a safe location. The primary suspect was found hiding of the finished basement of the residence, with a toy pistol.

October 2017 - SWAT executed a high-risk search warrant for the Narcotics and Special Operations Division at 6345 Massengale Hollow Road in Harrison. NSO received credible information from an informant the suspect residing at this residence was selling narcotics and had weapons. Suspect is also a convicted felon. While breaching to make entry, the suspect met Swat personnel near the door with a knife and was immediately addressed with less-lethal rounds until compliance was gained and he dropped the knife. The suspect was turned over to NSO for processing and medical treatment for his injuries.



Training Regime - The team conducted its regular scheduled training each month, for a total of 12 training dates lasting 10-12 hours each. The "Sierra Section" (Snipers) also conducted five additional training days consisting of four hours each. Five members of Swat attended specialized training in 2017 regarding tactics, sniper operations and combat medicine. The training of skills and capabilities for the swat team was structured to produce a higher degree of competency while under stressful and adverse conditions.



The team worked in 38 degree water temperature with the air temperature at 22 degrees and the wind at 19 mph. Time in the water was 28 minutes while an OTB (Over the Beach Assault) was executed.

The Hamilton County SWAT Team was placed on standby several times throughout the year by other agencies for potential assistance. The team may be notified of the standby or handled within the command structure; each situation is a case by case base depending on the information that is being received. The team is always in a ready response mode and can deploy upon notification.



HCSO SWAT Personnel returning to the MRAP vehicle during an active shooter simulation.

Field Training and Evaluation

Program

The Field Training and Evaluation Program is designed to provide new deputies assigned to the Patrol Division a regimented on the job training curriculum before they are assigned to solo duties. Through positive reinforcement, specialized training and shadowing by other deputies trained to teach in the field, we are able to produce highly efficient and skilled law enforcement professionals.

For the calendar year 2017, a total of 17 new Patrol Deputies were assigned to the program after either completing the Tennessee Law Enforcement Academy or being hired as lateral transfers from other law enforcement agencies. The Basic FTO Program for newly graduated cadets from the police academy is currently 17 weeks. Three (3) weeks are dedicated to an orientation phase where the recruits are trained on the departmental reports, in-depth use of force training, radar/lidar certifications, issuance of equipment; just to name a few. Lateral recruits are assigned to the abbreviated curriculum, which consists of an eight (8) week training cycle. The lateral recruits spend two (2) weeks in an orientation phase and six (6) weeks in the field with a trainer/evaluator.

There were four (4) new FTOs selected and trained for 2017. Those newly assigned are:

Dep. Jason Maucere

Dep. Jeremy Vandergriff

Dep. Danny Stone

Dep. Patrick Miller

We anticipate selecting between four (4) and six (6) new field trainers in 2018, as some FTO personnel were recently promoted into other positions outside of the division or in supervisory roles. There are currently three (3) patrol sergeants and two (2) patrol deputies FTO qualified and trained which we use in a back-up capacity if the other FTOs have scheduling conflicts.

The goal for 2018 is to provide quality field based training to newly selected Patrol Deputies. We anticipate a larger number of personnel assigned for training this calendar year due to a high number of recent retirements and promotions.

HONOR GUARD

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Honor Guard is an elite team of deputies who have taken the initiative to be a part of a highly proficient ceremonial unit which represents the men and women of the Sheriff's Office in local and national events.

In 2017, the unit had nine (9) scheduled training dates and one (1) specially called training date to prepare for an upcoming ceremony. The unit participated in five (5) local ceremonies in 2017, down from the previous years. Members of the unit also traveled to Washington D.C. in May to attend and participate in the National Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial. While in Washington, four members had the honor and privilege to participate in a ceremony with the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Attorney General by request of the Memorial Foundation. (These members are tentatively scheduled to participate again in 2018)

HCSOHG personnel also participated in the annual Police Week 5K as members of 'Team Donald Bond'.



Personnel:

This unit currently has eight (8) personnel assigned, and two (2) new members were added this year. One member was no longer able to participate on the team due to a promotion/re-assignment to the Narcotics Unit. He is no longer permitted to wear a uniform due to the complex nature of that assignment. The team will face more of a manpower shortage as the current coordinator and another member plan to step down from the team in the fall of 2018 after ten (10) years of participation. This manpower shortage could be detrimental to the success of the team and our mission specifically when a line of duty death funeral would always be an unfortunate possibility. Plans are under way to post the special assignment positions and hopefully fill two (2) to four (4) vacancies before fall of 2018 which will place the staffing at a number more acceptable to perform large scale ceremonies.



K-9 TEAMS

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Canine Unit is a valuable resource utilized by HCSO personnel and became a stand-alone team in July of 2017. A canine team consists of an on-duty canine deputy and his assigned canine dog. The team is available for assignments 24-hours per day. Canine team duties include conducting building searches for hidden offenders, locating missing persons, tracking suspects who have fled the scene of a crime, performing article searches, detecting narcotics, and conducting public service canine demonstrations.

Due to the canine's superior sense of smell, hearing, and physical capabilities, a trained law enforcement canine is a valuable asset for an agency to use in order to assist in providing a safe environment for the citizens of the community.

A Sheriff's canine can also be used to apprehend suspects and be used in crowd control incidents to prevent injuries or property damage.

The Sheriff's canine is the only weapon a deputy can use that can be recalled after being deployed. The canine draws focus to itself without a deputy present.

Narcotic Detection

Most law enforcement canines are trained to smell for narcotics whether it be during a building or vehicle search. Most, including the HCSO K-9s, will scent for the following:

- Marijuana
- Cocaine
- Heroin
- Methamphetamines (including ecstasy and LSD)
- Crack Cocaine

The HCSO K-9s will go into a "passive" alert to show the handler where the source of the drugs are. This means they will sit down and stare at the source. Other HCSO canines are "aggressive" alert dogs. This means they will dig at the source to find it.

Tracking

The HCSO K9s are all trained in tracking. The police service dogs are trained to follow ground disturbances.

Building and Area Search

A canine's sense of smell makes it easier to locate hidden suspects. This also saves deputies from walking into an ambush.

Article Search

A canine can scent recently touched/handled items and alert to them. Dropped handguns, stolen wallets or other items have been located by our K9s.

Traffic Citations	153	K-9 Search Warrant Assist	4
Traffic Stops	857	K-9 SWAT Assist	1
Misdemeanor Arrests	95	K-9 Tracking Call	56
Felony Arrests	109	K-9 Training	151
Citation in Lieu of Arrest	253	School Search	4
Warrant Transport	41	Ecstasy Seized	2
Calls for Service	1,406	Heroin Seized	3
Field Interviews	37	Marijuana Seized	38
K-9 Assisted Arrests	32	Meth Seized	28
K-9 Searches	104	Weapons Seized	9
K-9 Call-outs	52	Vehicles Seized	10
TOTAL K-9 ACTIVITY	3,445		



(L-R) Deputy Chris Walker, Deputy Danny Stone, and Sergeant Mark Williams (Front Row) Deputy Tynne.



K-9 Deputy Joe Sanchez and Deputy Turbo,
K-9 Deputy Andrew Voss and Deputy Cibo

MARINE PATROL



The Marine Patrol always has a vessel fueled and berthed on the water, ready for an emergency or rapid response any day any time. Another vessel, with similar capabilities, stays trailered and ready for “further away” responses. Both vessels are equipped with sonar and GPS mapping, to assist in navigation and underwater searches, as well as other electronic equipment.

The Marine Patrol is staffed, as a Special Assignment, by Deputies and Reserve Officers one of which holds a Captain’s License.

During 2017, the Marine Patrol assisted in the many special events occurring on the waterway including: Riverbend, 4th of July, Ironman Races and the Hootch Races as well as several others totaling 20-plus days of events.

The Marine Patrol assisted in SWAT training, Dive training as well as an interdepartmental exercise between many organizations include: 911, TWRA, SWAT, and the Drone Team.

The Marine Patrol assisted in the location of a submerged vehicle involved in a pursuit as well as searches for drowning victims.

The Marine Patrol during boating season performed, scheduled weekend patrol enforcing Boater Safety Regulations and responding to Calls for Service.

Marine Patrol

2017 Annual Statistics

Marine Patrol Division Annual Statistics	
All other	14
Assist other Agency	3
Assist other Division	1
Boat Safety Check	103
Verbal Warning	19
DOA	2
Special Events	6
Total Activity	148



EXPLORERS

During 2017 the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post was very active. The Post has started meeting every Thursday night for 2 hours, opposed to every other Thursday night.

During the meetings, the Explorers have been exposed to a lot of different scenario based law enforcement training to include, but not limited to, domestic violence, high risk traffic stops, vehicle/person searches and incident command table top exercises.

All of the training is in preparation for Winterfest, a Law Enforcement Explorer competition held every February in Gatlinburg, TN. In addition to local training, the post held a camping trip during the spring at Fall Creek Falls State Park. During the camping trip, the Explorer's were exposed to the art of man tracking.

Each Explorer was taught how to read signs in the forest left behind by someone walking through the area to simulate a lost person or perhaps a fugitive on the run.

For the remainder of 2017, the Post will be putting the final work into a future Explorer Academy that will be conducted later this year. The academy will prepare future Explorers for a ride along with an actual deputy during their shift. At the conclusion of the academy, the new Explorers will have a basic understanding of criminal law and will know what the deputy is doing and why it is being done.



RESERVES

The Reserves logged a total of 7,534.5 hours during 2017

- **Patrol** – 3,535
- **Special Event** – 1,023.5
- **Special Assignment** – 745
- **Training** – 1,308.5
- **CID** – 541.5
- **Callout/Visit** – 2
- **Corrections/Jail** – 3.5
- **Court** – 8.5
- **Marine** – 202
- **Other** – 165



Some of the special events supported by the Reserves during 2017:

- Chattanooga Marathon, 3/5
- Shred-It, 4/1
- Blue Cross Earth Day Drug Take Back, 4/21
- Drug Take Back, 4/29
- Armed Forces Parade, 5/5
- Fallen Officer Memorial, 5/18
- Half Ironman, 5/21
- National Cemetery Memorial Day, 5/29
- Soddy-Daisy Fireworks, 7/4
- Minority Health Fair, 8/19
- World Ironman, 9/9-10
- County Fair, 9/23-24
- Veterans Day National Cemetery, 11/11
- Shriner Shoe Give Away, 12/3
- Lab Run, 2/22
- Lab Run, 3/14
- Fugitive Roundup, 3/15-16



- Storm Damage, 3/21
- Lab Run, 4/19
- Lab Run, 5/16
- Lab Run, 5/24
- Bonnaroo K-9 Support, 6/7, 8, 9 and 10
- Fugitive Roundup, 7/19
- Fugitive Roundup, 7/28
- Extra Security at Courthouse, 8/17
- Lab Run, 9/13 & 14
- Fugitive Roundup, 10/11
- Dolly Pond Rd House Fire, 10.15
- Lab Run, 10/25 & 26
- Lab Run, 11/28
- Fugitive Roundup, 12/13



Each year, the Reserve Deputy Division, comprised of citizens from Hamilton County, volunteer thousands of dedicated hours of service to their community and help compliment the fulltime law enforcement personnel of the HCSO.

Reserve Deputies perform public safety duties for the community, such as traffic control, security at large community events such as the Hamilton County Fair, RiverBend Festival, Iron Man Chattanooga and other triathlon races, along with many other community activities during the year. They also help secure crime scenes and assist during times of natural weather or man-made disasters. In some cases, reserve deputies can offer critical professional expertise based on their profession and education.

In 2017 Reserve Officers logged a total of 7,534.5 hours between Patrol, Special Events, Special Assignments and Training. Because of the service of the Reserves Division the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office is able to provide additional man power with a savings of \$139,388.25 to Hamilton County citizens. Reserve Deputies provide an invaluable service to the Sheriff's Office and the citizens within the Hamilton County community.

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TRAFFIC DIVISION



The Traffic Division of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office is a specialized division. With one captain, one sergeant, and four deputies assigned to Traffic Division each member of this division is certified in Traffic Accident Reconstruction, Police Motorcycle Operation, and has in excess of a minimum five - hundred (500) hours of specialized training.

During the year 2017 a total of 1,666 motor vehicle crashes occurred in the unincorporated areas of Hamilton County. The Traffic Division investigated four hundred and 46 of the total crashes which resulted in 29 % of the crashes which were property damage, non-injury, minor injury, serious injury or fatal crashes. Seventy-nine (79) were Hit and Run crashes in which Traffic investigated.

Traffic Division investigated a total of six (6) fatality crashes which resulted in seven (7) deaths. alcohol or drugs was found to be a contributing factor in three (3) crashes, speed was found to be a contributing factor in two (2) of those crashes.

The speed trailers and the Speed Spy have been distributed throughout Hamilton County for the purposes of identifying areas where speed appears to have been a problem. These devices have been used ninety-three (93) times at different locations and a minimum of three (3) days at each location throughout 2017.

Traffic Division has also participated in Ninety - One (91) funeral and/or dignitary escorts. One Hundred and Sixteen (116) interdepartmental instructions for Training Division to include EVOC during In-Service, spike strips certification, Radar/LiDar certification, Field Training Officer involvement, and Titan training were conducted to train and certify our deputies. One thousand

Six hundred thirty - two (1,632) crash reports were reviewed and submitted to Nashville (Titan) with zero returns for corrections. Traffic conducted one thousand and ninety-three (1593) traffic stops, one hundred and eighty-Six (186) case follow-up investigations, and four hundred and fifty- three (453) calls for service and support.

The Traffic Division conducted seventy-seven (77) In-House crash investigations along with backing up dispatched district cars on calls and working Special Assignments. Fifty- nine (59) assist to other agencies involving crashes and/or traffic consultations were conducted.





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Car Seat Check Up Event Evaluation Yearly Report January – December 2017

I. Event Information

There were a total of One Hundred and Twenty (120) different locations January - December 2017 where car seats were checked, installed and provided.

II. Checklist Information

Number of CSS checked: _____ **838**

Number of CSS found incorrectly installed or misused: _____ **769**

Number of CSS recalled or unsafe: _____ **181**

Number of children that arrived without CSS: _____ **139**

Number of CSS arrived uninstalled: _____ **47**

Number of CSS with no misuse: _____ **166**

III. Child Safety Seat Distribution

Number of Infant seats: _____ **1**

Number of Convertible seats: _____ **116**

Number of Harness boosters: _____ **80**

Number of Boosters: _____ **139**

Number of other seats: _____ **0**

Without a Safe Journey there is no Destination

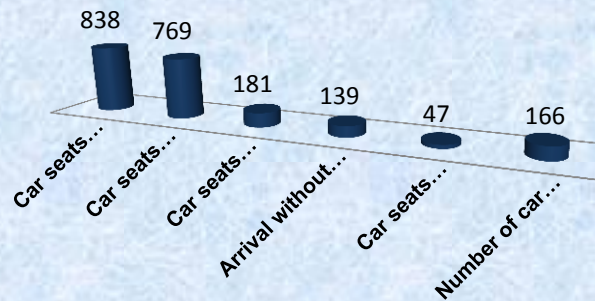


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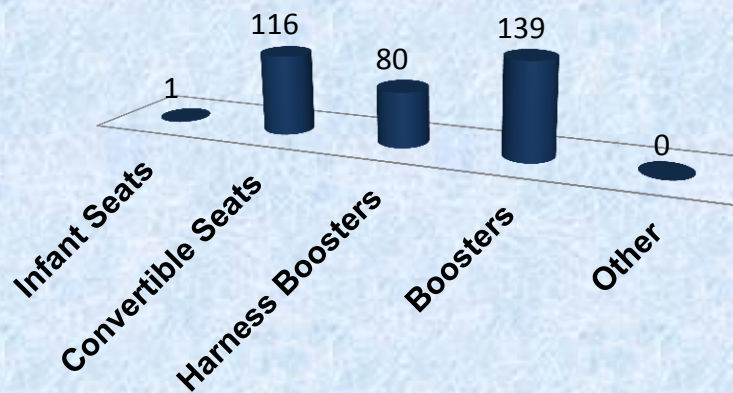
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Safe Journey Checklist Information Yearly Report January - December 2017



	Car seats Checked	Car seats Incorrectly Installed	Car seats recalled or unsafe	Arrival without a carseat	Car seats arrived uninstalled	Number of car seats w/ no misuse
■ Column1	838	769	181	139	47	166

Child Safety Seat Distribution Yearly Report January - December 2017



2017 Annual Pursuit Analysis

Introduction:

Relevant Data for this analysis was compiled through analyzing the required pursuit reports generated by initiating deputy involved in pursuits for the year 2017. The raw data compiled for this report can be obtained from the traffic division or the office of Operational Support. The purpose of this report is to reveal patterns, trends, and agency practices in the high liability area of police pursuits and forcible stopping. These patterns and trends should be utilized in the area of policy development, training, along with making sure agency practices are consistent with these same policies and training.

Review and analysis of Data

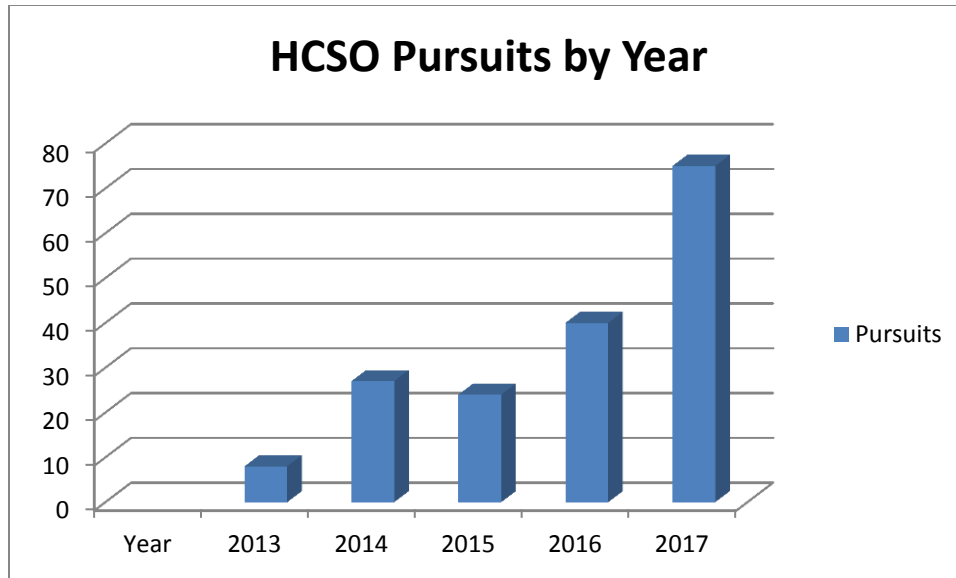
The categories below were developed through analyzing raw data from all pursuit reports for 2017

Number of Pursuits	Average Distance	Average Time	Average Speed	Average Top Speed
75	8.15 Miles	13 Minutes	63 mph	85 mph
Spike Strips Used	Forcible Stopping Utilized	Dry Conditions	Pursuits Terminated by Deputy	Pursuits Terminated by Supervisor
9	8	65	9	5
Average Age of Deputy	Deputy Average Years of Service	Average Age of Suspect	Average Length of Pursuit	Suspect Crashed
36	8	30	8 Miles	37
Deputy Crashed	Pursuits non-felony with exception of *felony Evading	Pursuit Most Common Day of Week	Deaths from Crash Injuries	Pursuits with Injuries
*6 (Forcible Stopping)	48	Thursday	0	8
Most Common Time of Day				

2200 hours

Number of Pursuits

This agency began to analyze pursuits in 2013. From 2013 to present pursuits have drastically increased by year as demonstrated in the chart below.



While some increase may be due to a stricter enforcement of our reporting process the number of pursuits jumped from (24) in 2015 to (75) in 2017. One factor which could be involved is the reporting of very short pursuits which may not have been reported in the past. The average time of pursuit was 13 minutes. During the course of the year 28 of the pursuits were five minutes and under. Another possible reason for this increase could be loose interpretation of General Order 41.2.02 which involves the evaluation of circumstances along with the seriousness of the offense involved when initiating a pursuit. Our practice is not consistent with Haynes v. Hamilton County as demonstrated by 48 pursuits being initiated for misdemeanor offenses.

The Haynes v. Hamilton County ruling guides officers in regards to their liability for public safety when involved in pursuits. There are many factors which should be affecting our decision making including but not limited to:

- Speed
- Traffic Conditions
- Seriousness of the offense
- Weather
- Pedestrians or schools

While we may be making appropriate decisions in regards to some areas of the courts concern noted by 65 of the pursuits being conducted in good weather conditions, the court looks at all the factors in regards to negligence and the mere fact that 48 of the pursuits were initiated for misdemeanors creates an environment clearly demonstrating we are operating outside of what the courts would rule a reasonable decision.

No pursuits were ruled to be outside of policy. As reported 48 of the pursuits did not involve felonies with the exception of felony evading. This is an area where management should explore if agency practices are consistent with policy, has standard operating procedure become a culture outside of policy, or if this same policy should be more clearly defined.

Conditions

One of the factors to be considered by policy is conditions and 65 of the 75 pursuits involved clear conditions and the most common time of day was 2200 hours which would indicate minimal traffic. The average age of the deputy was 36 with 5 years of service which has dropped three years from last year. Decisions regarding experience level of deputies, weather conditions and traffic are all indicative of agency practices following General order 41.2.02. with the exception of the seriousness of the offense.

Speed

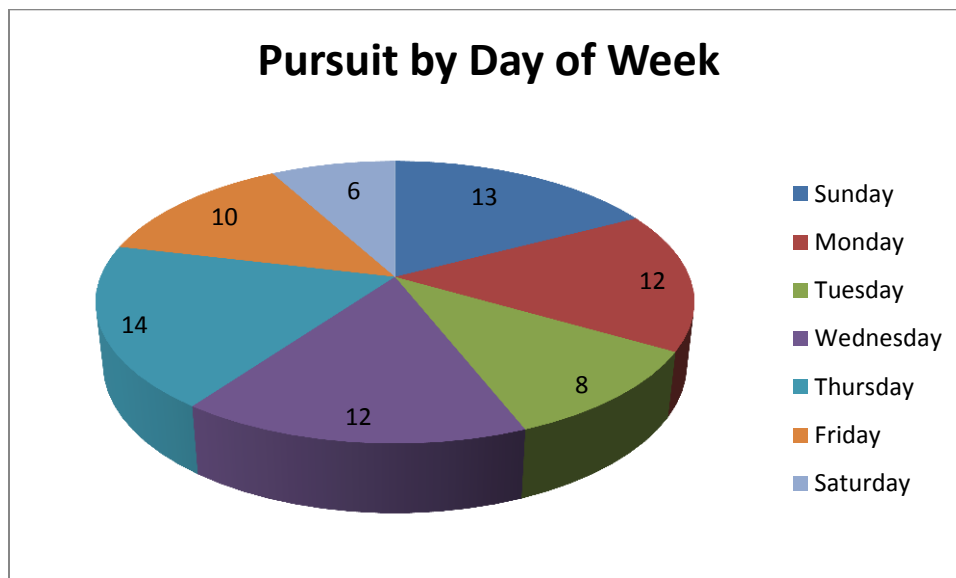
The average speed of our pursuits is 63 mph and the average top speed is 85 mph. These speeds also appear to be consistent with agency practice following policy.

Pursuit Termination

14 pursuits were terminated in 2017 with nine being terminated by deputy and five being terminated by supervisor. This is an area which could further be explored. Deputies terminating most of their own pursuits could indicate most of these terminations were due to deputy losing driver in question and not from evaluating circumstances.

Forcible Stopping/Roadblocks

Of the 75 pursuits for 2017 18 included forcible stopping with nine of these being done by spike strips. Forcible stopping was defined as police intervention, spike strips and roadblocks with avenue of avoidance either by allowing avenue of escape around patrol vehicle or adequate distance for stopping. Of the 75 pursuits 37 resulted in suspect crashes with eight involving injuries directly connected to the pursuit. No deaths were reported originating out of pursuits in 2017.



The average suspect age was 29 with the most severe crimes being that of Car-Jacking and Kidnapping.

Annual Review of Pursuit policy and Reporting Procedures.

Policy- The most critical elements of pursuits and forcible stopping that of evaluating circumstances, deputy responsibilities, supervisor responsibilities, when to terminate, intra-jurisdictional pursuits, procedures and after action reporting processes have been evaluated by this author as well as an experts in the field. While these are consistent with best practices the data does not seem consistent with proper interpretation or adherence.

Reporting – The system of reporting currently utilizes paper forms and check boxes which do have quite a bit of information. However, when the administrative review is conducted, it is just a simple check-box of within policy or not. This has been determined not to be a best practice and should be substituted with a narrative where the administrative review explains why actions were within policy, not within policy, or needs further review. This further has a tendency to compel administrators to more frequently review policies as they go back frequently to check the guiding elements. Currently, there are plans to institute new tracking software for this year and these changes in reporting procedures should be implemented.

CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM



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The Hamilton County/Chattanooga Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) program is innovative, pro-active law enforcement based approach to addressing issues surrounding the treatment of persons with mental health issues.

It is an effective partnership among law enforcement, the mental health community, consumers, and consumer advocates that trains and equips officers to respond effectively to individuals with mental illness (consumers). CIT provides an avenue for treatment instead of incarceration for consumers. This is done at little risk to public safety, and it improves outcomes for both consumers and for the law enforcement officers who interact with them during crises.

The Memphis Police Department is known for setting a standard of excellence with respect to the treatment of individuals with mental illness. They established the first Crisis Intervention Team in 1988. The Hamilton County/Chattanooga Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) program was established in 2009 with direct assistance from Memphis Police Department and The University of Memphis. CIT Training is designed to educate and prepare officers who come into contact with people who may be experiencing a mental health crisis. CIT Officers are trained to de-escalate a crisis on the scene or to make the decision to transport for an evaluation. Because of the 40-hour CIT training, the specialized group of CIT officers has the ability to understand and relate to what the person in crisis is going through. They have established working relationships with mental health agencies and hospitals, and they are able to get people the help they need.

In recent years, mental health agencies and programs have increasingly felt devastating blows to their budgets, and there have been far too many tragic incidents where speculation of mental illness has been at the forefront of media attention and in conversations around the world. The CIT program prepares, educates, and trains officers to recognize signs and symptoms of mental illnesses. Law enforcement officers are increasingly coming into contact with those who may be experiencing a mental health crisis. The CIT Training program provides information to assist officers in knowing what to do and which agencies to contact.

For the year 2017, there was one 40-hour CIT School. The 2017 Annual Report will review the statistics submitted by CIT Trained Officers from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. This report offers information about the CIT program.

CIT Curriculum

The curriculum is a 40-hour week of intense training provided by volunteer mental health professionals, advocates, and seasoned CIT Officers. The training consists of classroom lectures, visits to various mental health facilities and group homes where consumers lead discussions, scenario based de-escalation skills, and training using role play exercises. The training is to ensure law enforcement awareness of mental health resources and to address attitudes and stigma regarding mental illness. The CIT training includes the following blocks of instruction:

- Introduction of Clinical Issues
- Psychotropic Medication and Side Effects
- Hearing Distressing Voices Simulation
- Substance Abuse and Co-occurring Disorders
- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorders
- Alzheimer's and Dementia
- Legal Issues and Mental Health Law
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Borderline and Other Personality Disorders
- Community Resources, including training on assessing and requesting crisis services
- Family and Consumer Perspectives
- Verbal Techniques and Intervention Strategies

The 40-hour training is submitted and approved by the Tennessee Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Commission.

This training would not be possible without the strong support from all stakeholders. Instructors used during training in 2016 included subject matter experts from Parkridge Valley Hospital, Moccasin Bend Mental Health Institute, CADAS, Orange Grove Center, Chattanooga Community Kitchen, AIM Center, Walden Group Home, Volunteer Behavioral Health, Department of Veterans Affairs, Pine Ridge Treatment Center, Alzheimer's Association, NAMI, Chattanooga Autism Center, Youth Villages, Siskin Rehabilitation Hospital, and many others.

40-Hour CIT Class

The CIT class was conducted at the Chattanooga Police Department from October 24-28. This school graduated 22 new CIT officers. The schools included officers from the following agencies: Hamilton

County Sheriff's Office, Chattanooga Police Department, US Department of Veterans Affairs, East Ridge Police Department, Catoosa County Sheriff's Office, Collegedale Police Department, Signal Mountain Police Department.

CIT Officers Trained to Date

Over **380** participants have been trained by the Hamilton County/ City of Chattanooga CIT program since its inception in 2009. They represent 22 law enforcement agencies from 8 counties in 4 states. We expect this number to grow as outreach efforts continue and more

CIT Reporting

All agencies are encouraged to document their CIT incidents. A CIT form is only used by CIT Officers for reporting on CIT-related calls. Forms are not to be used by non-CIT Officers or for non-CIT related calls. Standardized CIT forms are completed and are turned in for review.

The total number of reports written by CIT Officers with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office and Hamilton County Corrections for 2017 was one hundred forty-three (143).

Outcomes

Jail diversion is one objective of CIT; however, there are cases where officers are required by statute or departmental policy to make arrests. These would include cases where violent felonies were committed, cases of domestic abuse, and cases of impaired driving. In most instances, officers have the flexibility to use their professional judgment to decide the best course of action based on the totality of the circumstances. Of the one hundred forty-three (143) reports submitted, two (2) encounters resulted consumers being arrested on criminal charges (outstanding warrants). There were (131) consumers transported for mental health evaluations and seven (7) consumers stabilized by CIT Officers with no further action taken.

Injuries

Injuries to Officers and Consumers are tracked through CIT Officer Reporting. No officer injuries were reported during CIT Calls in 2017. There were two (2) consumers injured, one prior to police arriving and the other while police were on scene. However, the injury occurred when the consumer jumped down from where he had been sitting and was not the result of a hands-on encounter with police.

CIT Advisory Committee

The CIT Advisory Committee typically meets one time per month to discuss the objectives of CIT. This dedicated committee is instrumental in attaining the goals for all activities of the CIT program. The committee is made up of law enforcement, consumers, advocates, mental health agencies, centers, and hospitals.

Additional Training

Two hours of mental health training was provided by CIT to all law enforcement personnel and civilians of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office during annual in-service training. All cadets in each of the Hamilton County Corrections Academy received four hours of mental health training. Two hours of mental health training was also presented to all law enforcement within the Chattanooga Police Department.

CIT staff provided mental health in-service training for the Lookout Mountain Police Department, Soddy Daisy Police Department, Collegedale Police Department, and Bledsoe County. Additionally, CIT provided training for the HCSO Reserve Basic Academy, HCSO Correction's Academy, and the CPD Chaplain's Academy as well as assisted Training Division in the 40-hour Law Enforcement Instructor Development course.

In addition, CIT provided suicide awareness/prevention training to staff and students from area community agencies/organizations including UTC, the regional health department, PFLAG, and Southeast Tennessee Area Agency on Aging and Disability,

CIT participates in community meetings with stakeholders to address concerns and issues as they arise. These meeting also provide feedback from the area which is compiled and shared with the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services.

Summary

The CIT program will continue to accomplish the goals of decreasing the incarceration of non-violent individuals with mental illness from the jails; decreasing officer, consumer and civilian injuries, and decreasing the use of force and SWAT callouts. The focus will remain on increasing the number of specialized CIT Officers, increasing the number of transports for psychiatric evaluations when necessary, increasing the amount of crises that are stabilized by the techniques and practices of CIT Officers, and providing ongoing training for all CIT Officers. The techniques CIT Officers learn are proven to work and have saved lives.

The Hamilton County/Chattanooga CIT program is making a difference in the lives of those we serve. Several mass casualty tragedies across the country during 2017 have brought the subject of mental illness back into the minds of the public. Family members are more frequently calling for help for their loved ones. The CIT program has brought together a powerful partnership between law enforcement and the mental health community that works diligently to get consumers the help they need and deserve. The mindset of incarcerating individuals because of the uncertainty of what to do with them has diminished. Consumers are no longer afraid to call the police. They are now calling for CIT Officers by name when they are experiencing a crisis and need help.

The Hamilton County/Chattanooga CIT project may have never gotten off the ground had it not been for funding from an Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant. This grant expired on December 31, 2013. The CIT program is now being funded by Hamilton County government.

Many have recognized the benefit of our CIT program and donated generously to not only keep it sustained, but also to help it grow. We thank each of our partners for the generosity that has been shown through funding, volunteered time, expert advice, and guidance. We look forward to continuing these essential partnerships for years to come.

TRAINING DIVISION

The Training Division Staff consists of the Training Coordinator/General Department Instructor (Lieutenant), Deputy Training Officer and Training Administrative/Records Clerk. This staff is augmented by 65 specialized instructors who are assigned full-time responsibilities in other divisions throughout the agency.

The Training Division is responsible for planning and executing all training required for Sheriff's Office employees. The training curriculum includes subjects mandated by the Police Officers Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) Commission, the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), and the Office of Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). Additionally, it conducts specialized training for individual officers, civilian employees and outside law enforcement agencies.

During 2017, the Training Division successfully conducted twelve 40-hour In-service training classes for all sworn Law Enforcement, Court Security and Civilian personnel. The Training Division also conducted two Supervisor, ten (10) General In-service classes, 40 hours of Leadership and Team Building classes, and two 40-hour Basic Patrol Rifle classes. Training was focused upon the performance level of proficiency, with the majority of training time spent conducting hands-on training and scenario based exercises, augmented with classroom base instruction.

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Training Division continues to seek out and provide training that is of the highest caliber in terms of relevance, practicability, and cost effectiveness that not only meets the standards set forth by the institutions that govern our commission and accreditation, but exceeds it.



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2017 ANNUAL REPORT
INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Investigative Services Report 2017 Yearly Report

The Investigative Services Division is comprised of three (3) Divisions, Narcotics/Special Operations (NSO), Criminal Investigations Division (CID) and Fugitive. Investigative Services has 54 full-time and eight (8) part-time personnel. During 2017, the divisions received 2,151 investigations, arrested 4,397 suspects and recovered \$473,907.00 in stolen property. \$29,100.00 was generated through the Sex Offender Registry. The Sex Offender Registry is currently monitoring on average 450 offenders. Each Investigative Services Division's monthly statistics and general overview is detailed within this report.

INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES	
OVERVIEW	TOTAL
Total Funds Generated	\$179,011.68
Sex Offender Registry	\$29,100.00
Total Amount of Money Seizures	\$107,761.68
Auto Auction Vehicle Sales	\$42,150.00
Total Value of Drugs Seized	\$1,196,878.00
Recovered Stolen Property Value	\$463,607.00
Number of Weapons Recovered	42.00
Number of Investigations	2,160.00
Total Number of Presentations	32.00
Total Number of Vehicle Seizures	2
Total Number of Arrest	4397
Total Number of Personnel	53

NSO	TOTAL
ARREST/ASSISTS	115
Felony Arrests	33
Misdemeanor Arrests	15
C/I Buys	36
Surveillance	438
NSO Divisions Assist	715
Assist other Agencies	225
Joint Investigations	43
Federal Arrest	9
Assist other Divisions	156
DRUG SEIZURES	TOTAL
Cocaine (grams)	79
Meth Labs	1
Marijuana (grams)	73277.34
Meth/ICE (grams)	13139
Heroin (grams)	66.16
Ecstasy	0
Other Narcotics	90
Crack Cocaine	6.05
Marijuana Plants	52
Hydrocodone	43
Oxycodone	141
Alprazolam	4
Pharmaceutical Pills	1496



NARCOTICS / SPECIAL OPERATIONS

During 2017, the Narcotics / Special Operations Division assisted other agencies and divisions 940 times and made 36 C/I buys. The unit seized a total street value of \$1,196,878.00 in illegal drugs, \$107,761.68 in cash seizures, effected (2) vehicle seizure and made 148 arrests.

NSO CASES	TOTAL
Initiated Cases	335
Closed Cases	254
Pharmacy Cases	20
Fraud	
New C/I	62
Court/Grand Jury	162
Intelligence Reports	300
Training	193
CCA/Drug Vault	21
Interviews/Meetings	424
Impound Lot Activities	48
Supplements	381
Knock & Talk	12
Wire Monitor	1
Tittle III Wire	1
CMSD Requests	0
Interdiction	0
Public Relations	0
Warrants/Indictments	9

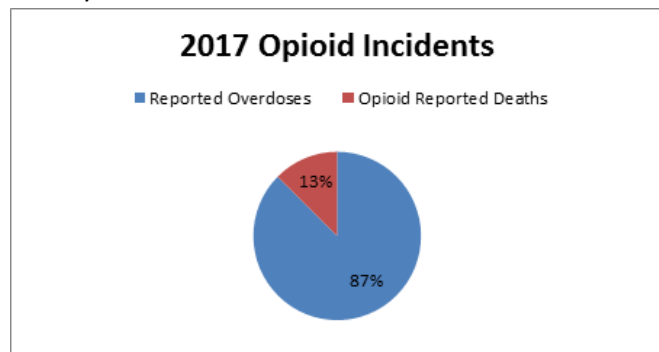
CID	TOTAL
JUVENILE	
Statutory Rape	2
Aggravated Assault	9
Simple Assault	19
Forcible Sodomy	2
Forcible Fondling	22
Forcible Rape	9
Runaways	31
Exposure to Pornography	9
Sexual Assault with Object	4
Child Neglect	0
Child Protective Referrals	250
Kidnapping/Abduction	0

STREET VALUE	TOTAL
Other Narcotics	\$1,158
Meth Lab	0
Cocaine	\$8,478
Crack Cocaine	\$1,481
Marijuana	\$143,151
Marijuana Plants	\$80,000
Heroin	\$9,053
Ecstasy	\$0
Methamphetamine/ICE	\$942,731
Hydrocodone	\$430
Oxycodone	\$1,855
Oxymorphone	\$0
Clonazepam	\$0
Alprazolam	\$0
Pharmaceutical Pills	\$8,548
TOTAL	\$1,196,878
WEAPONS, MONEY, SEIZURES	
Weapons Recovered	42
Vehicles Seized	2
Money Seizures	\$107,761.68
Auto Auction	\$421.50

PRESENTATIONS & SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS	
Special Assignments	60
Presentations	32
SEARCHES	
Federal Search Warrants	0
State Search Warrants	39
Data Search Warrants	48
GPS Tracker Warrants	0
Pen Registry	0
Consent to Search	79

Summation

In 2017, in an effort to address the opioid overdose problem that is sweeping the country by storm, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Narcotic Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Chattanooga Police Department, worked cooperatively in response to lethal and non-lethal overdoses that occur in Hamilton County.



The Sheriff's Office started responding to the scene of every reported overdose in an effort to develop leads on key drug dealers selling or providing opioids in Hamilton County.

In 2017, 167 cases of opioid related overdoses were known to be reported in Hamilton County and 24 resulted in death.

April 2017- Mathew Turner of Chattanooga was questioned in the parking lot of the Holiday Inn Express in Tiftonia. A Search of Turner's vehicle revealed approximately a pound of Crystal Meth and two (2) handguns. During the course of the investigation, his hotel room was also searched and it netted an additional 20 pounds of Crystal Meth with an estimated street value of \$525,000.00



This seizure is one of the largest Meth seizures in the Chattanooga area.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS (CID)

During 2017, the CID Division received for investigation 1,816 complaints effecting 223 arrests and recovering \$463,607.00 in stolen property. CID investigated 114 deaths in 2017. There were 357 juvenile-related investigations conducted which includes 250 referrals from Child Protective Services. The division conducted 61 fire investigations, received 301 burglary reports, 153 auto thefts and 210 reports of theft from vehicle.

CID PROPERTY CRIMES	TOTAL
Arson	4
Fire	57
Burglary	301
Theft From Building	69
Theft From Vehicle	210
Theft From MFG Vehicle Parts or ACC	11
All Other Larceny	123
Shoplifting	3
Auto Theft	153
Forgery/Counterfeiting	10
False Pretense	12
Fraud/Credit Card	23
Impersonation	14
Fraud/Computer	5
Embezzlement	1
Receiving Stolen Property	13
Vandalism	51
Passing Worthless Checks	1
Extortion/Blackmail	0
Found Property	8
Property Loss	3
Recovered Stolen Vehicle	13
Other theft	7

CID PERSONAL CRIMES	TOTAL
Murder	0
Death Investigations/Other	91
Justifiable Homicide	0
Suicides	23
Attempted Suicides	9
Negligent Manslaughter	0
Aggravated Assaults	23
Rape (Adults)	14
Forcible Sodomy	4
Simple Assaults	16
Missing Persons	9
Robbery	6
Threats	0
Adult Protective Service Referrals	140
Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	0
Kidnapping/Abduction	0
Sexual Assault with Object	2
Harassment/Intimidation	5
Miscellaneous	179

Summation

During 2017, detectives with the Criminal Investigations Division (CID) investigated 1,972 reported criminal offenses, which is a significant increase in the number of investigations from the previous years. Detectives investigated 133 more offenses in 2017 than were investigated in 2016 and 313 more offenses than 2015.

In addition to these investigations, CID detectives conducted three Officer Involved Shooting investigations in 2017 and assisted the Tennessee Bureau of Investigations and the Chattanooga Police Department with three other Officer Involved Shooting investigations. Detectives also conducted nine death investigations of individuals who were in custody at the time of their death.

During 2017, the Fugitive Division received 20,444 warrants, served 7,079 warrants, and arrested 3,683 offenders with 2,267 attempts.

FUGITIVE DIVISION WARRANTS/FUGITIVE DIVISION	TOTAL
DHS GRANT JUVENILE	
Juvenile Papers N/B	4598
Juvenile Papers Served	2881
Juvenile Papers Received	7363
DHS GRANT	
Received	630
Served	537
Attempts	760
Recalls	211
Arrests	303
FUGITIVE ACTIVITY	
Scire Facias	2738
Probation Violations	5316
Warrants Others	4411
Original Indictments	355
Summons	52
Orders/Subpoenas	64
Total Warrants Out-of-County	156
Total Warrants Received	20444
Total Warrants Recalled	3074
Failure to Appear	6551
FUGITIVE WARRANTS SERVED	TOTAL
Felony	2995
Misdemeanor	3588
Total Warrants Served	7079
Actual Arrests	3683
Top 12 Arrests	38
Attempted Service	2267
All other	1063



REGIONAL TRANSPORTS	
Northeast	6
Southeast	321
Midwest	12
Southwest	10
West	5
Tennessee	360
SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY	
Quarterly Reporting	1108
Annual Reporting	177
Quarterly Updates	170
Annual Updates	23
Warrants Obtained	44
Arrests	31
Money Received	\$29,100.00
New Investigations	9
Court Cases	37
Addresses Verified	434
Monitored	450



Summation

The Fugitive Division worked closely with the Hamilton County District Attorney's Office in revising extradition procedures. This revision has resulted in better management of Fugitive Division personnel and resources. Because of the revision, the Fugitive Division was able to establish a Fugitive Apprehension Strike Team (FAST). The Hamilton County Fugitive Apprehension Strike Team was formed in order to locate and apprehend fugitives who have been identified as having a high risk of endangering the public. FAST has made numerous arrests of Top Twelve fugitives and has been able to successfully target fugitives that were charged with very serious felonies.

The Fugitive Division oversees the monitoring of on average 450 sex offenders who live in Hamilton County, Tennessee. Monitoring includes the verification of residence and filing of charges on those who do not comply with State Law.

The Department of Human Service Grant (DHS) support efforts in arresting fugitive for nonpayment of child support. The Department of Human Services Juvenile Grant ensures court papers are served or an attempt made related to child support.


IN THE NEWS

HCSO Apprehends Dangerous - Wanted Fugitive from Ohio

Hamilton County, TN – Earlier this afternoon, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office conducted a joint internal operation involving the Patrol and SWAT Divisions' to safely locate and arrest a dangerous fugitive wanted by authorities in Cleveland, Ohio.


This morning's operation led HCSO personnel to the 9100 block of Pleasant Lane in Ooltewah. Where they arrested Frank Mosier who was considered armed and dangerous by Ohio Law Enforcement agencies. Mosier was wanted for an aggravated murder that occurred on April 1, 2016 in Cleveland Ohio.

Mosier will also face charges locally for possession of Methamphetamine and Resisting Arrest.



Wanted:
Frank Mosier
AGG. MURDER
CONSIDERED ARMED & DANGEROUS

Cleveland Division of Police



Address: [REDACTED]
Race: White
Gender: Male
Height: 5'9"
Weight: 195
Hair: Red/Bald
Eyes: Blue
DOB: 08/07/1986
SSN: [REDACTED]

Homicide Unit [REDACTED] 216-623-6214
Warrant Number 556347 Dated: July 22, 2017

Frank Mosier is wanted for an Aggravated Murder that occurred on April 1, 2016, at 3619 E. 53rd St., Cleveland, OH.
It is believed that Mosier has fled to Tennessee.
This male is CONSIDERED ARMED & DANGEROUS

[REDACTED]

Date Created 07/19/2017

CIVIL PROCESS

Constitutionally, the sheriff of each county is responsible for carrying out the service of civil process within each county of jurisdiction. Personnel assigned as process servers execute and return to the courts the civil process which is directed to the sheriff for service.

Process has been defined as “the means of compelling a defendant in an action to appear in court, or a means whereby a court compels compliance with it’s demands” (Black’s Law Dictionary, 5th edition) simply, process is an order of the court directing that an action be done.

Civil process in Hamilton County must be issued by one of the three civil courts. The forms for the type of process requested must be completed and presented to the clerk of the court. If the court grants the request the process will be issued.

There are three courts concerned with civil process in Hamilton County. Each court is described herein:

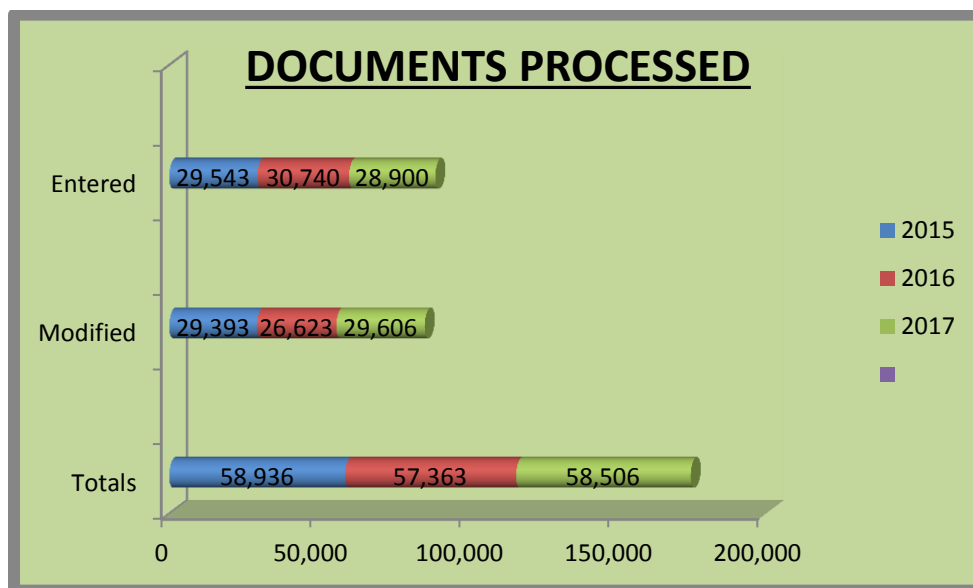
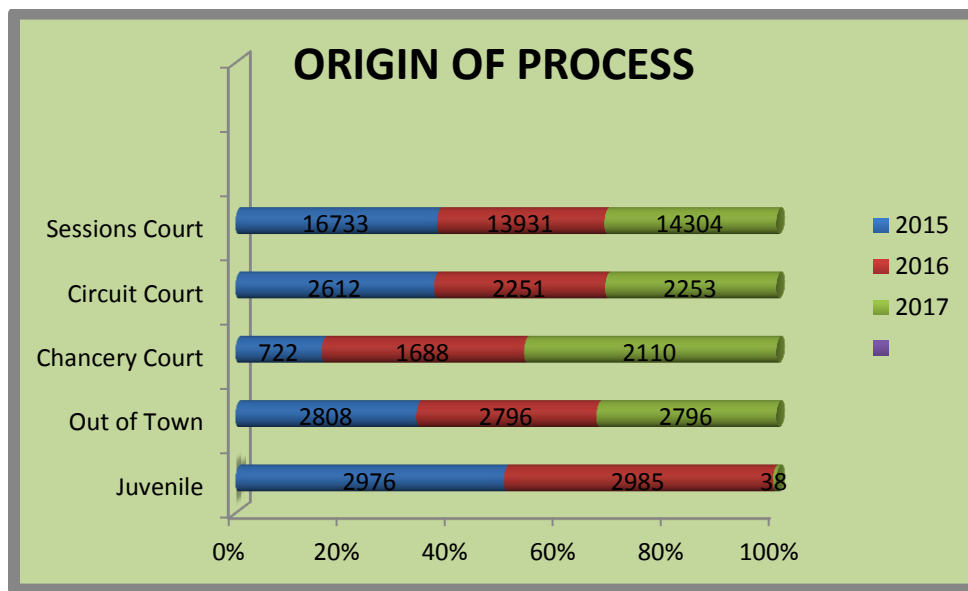
General Session Court, Civil Division - General Sessions is a small claims court with a \$15,000 maximum limit. The majority of cases filed in Sessions Court are delinquent accounts, eviction process (detainer & writ of possession), and recovery of personal property (contract agreements, damage or personal injury, executions by garnishment or levy, subpoenas and numerous other actions relating to small claims.

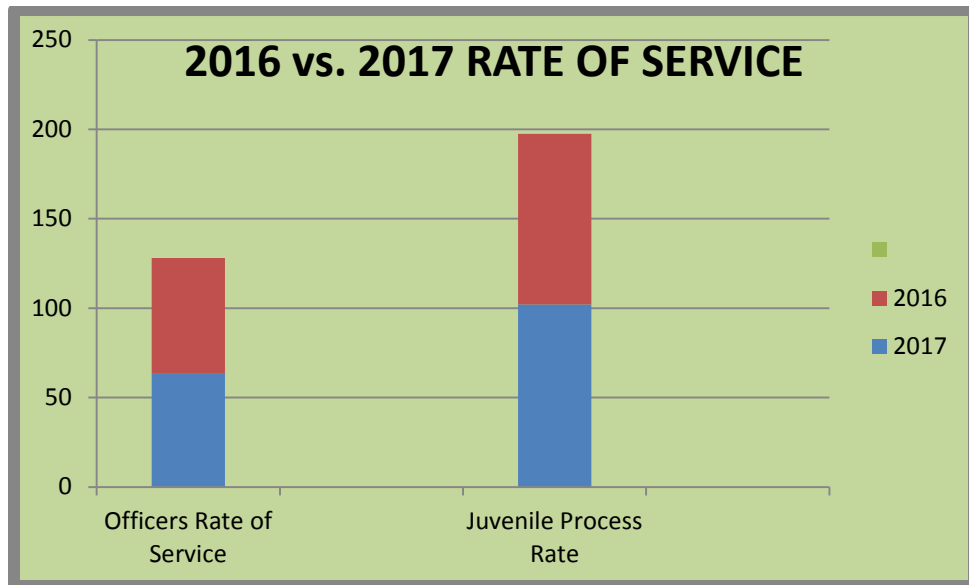
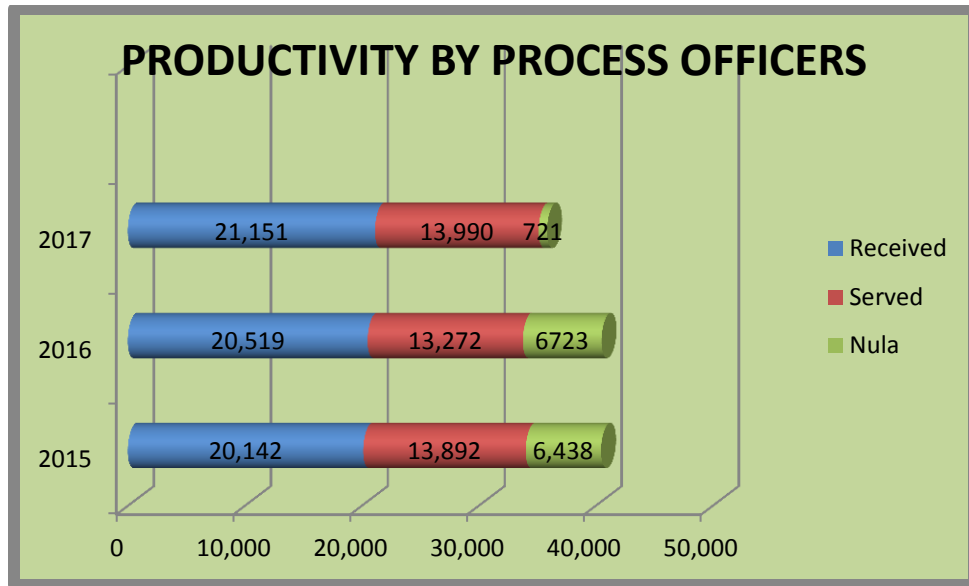
Circuit Court (Court of Record) - Civil actions issued from Circuit Court include Domestic Relations (divorce, restraining order, custody orders, show cause orders, body attachment, order of protection etc., lawsuits relating to personal injury, damage to real or personal property, malpractice, mental health, attachment of real or personal property, execution by garnishment or levy and all other related matters.

Chancery Court (Court of Record) -The process generated from this court parallels that of Circuit Court. In addition to those listed, Chancery Court also handles all probate matters, conservator and guardianship cases plus mental health process, adoptions, and the sale of real property for back taxes. When a process is filed, it is sent to the Sheriff’s Civil Process Division for serving. The process is personally served to the defendant(s), the return of service completed, and the process returned to the issuing court. The clerk notifies individuals of their court date.

2017 West Sector Process – Office Activity

- Letters sent by Process Office personnel 433
- Total Process served at West Sector Office 80
- Distress warrants/sire-fascia's from courts 5,996
- Nula Bonas for Circuit Court 95
- Certified Mail 45





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SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

The Support Services Division of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office plays an important role in the sheriff's office's ability to provide a high level of services that are important to the structure and operational needs of HCSO across many divisions and to the public. The Support Services Division contains both sworn and civilian employees. The following is a list of some of the major responsibilities and programs that fall under the Support Services Division:

- Office of Professional Standards and Accreditation
- Public Information Office
- Office of Community Affairs
- Grants
- College Criminal Justice Internship Program
- Courts Building Information
- Special Projects and Programs
- Law Enforcement Foundation Coordinator



PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

AND ACCREDITATION

In 2017 the Hamilton County's Sheriff's Office entered into the four-year (4) CALEA Accreditation process. Unlike the previous accreditation three (3) year process, the four-year (4) process is composed of the first three (3) years being off-site file based assessments with the fourth year consisting of an on-site assessment.

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office has now completed the first phase of this assessment. The CALEA assigned assessor reviewed 80 files from a total of 484 files or 25% of the entire assessment. This off-site assessment was completed on December 23, 2017. The agency received a 100 percent compliance score with no issues for the files reviewed.

The CALEA accreditation program provides law enforcement agencies with an opportunity to demonstrate compliance with an established set of professional standards on a voluntary basis, and includes an external, objective evaluation of departmental.

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office continues to pursue methods for improving efficiency and preserving our position as a recognized leader in law enforcement. The CALEA accreditation program offers the opportunity to enhance our reputation and the public's confidence in our personnel and operations. Participation in this program ensures that our policies and procedures are defensible and in compliance with internationally-accepted standards for law enforcement excellence.

CALEA accreditation requires an agency to develop a comprehensive, well thought out, uniform set of written directives. This requirement is one of the most successful methods for reaching administrative and operational goals, while also providing direction to personnel.

CALEA accreditation standards provide the necessary reports and analyses a Chief Executive Officer (sheriff) needs to make fact-based, informed management decisions. It requires a preparedness program be put in place so that an agency is ready to address natural or man-made unusual occurrences. Accreditation is a means for developing or improving upon an agency's relationship with the community. CALEA accreditation strengthens the agency's accountability, both within the agency and the community, through a continuum of standards that clearly define authority, performance, and responsibilities.

The purpose of CALEA's accreditation programs is to improve the delivery of public safety services, primarily by maintaining a body of standards developed by public safety practitioners that cover a wide range of up-to-date public safety initiatives; establishing and administering an accreditation process; and recognizing professional excellence.

Public Information Office

Public Information Overview

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Public Information Office's primary goal is to accurately disseminate information relating to the operation and activities of the HCSO to the media and public in a professional and courteous manner so as to not jeopardize the integrity of the agency or its employees in any way. This mission includes protecting the integrity of ongoing investigations and the rights and anonymity of the victims and families involved.

The Public Information Officer (PIO) is the central information and communications coordinator and spokesperson for the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.

The Public Information Office is also involved in numerous marketing and public relations activities including promoting the HCSO and its employees both internally, i.e. agency commendations, service awards Program, public safety initiatives, and in other county programs. Common activities include providing positive information about the HCSO to the media and citizens' groups, creating marketing campaigns for various HCSO related events, partnering with community stakeholders to support safety driven programs and partnerships and speaking at local commission meetings and civic groups. The Hamilton County Public Information Office is also directly responsible for supporting the activities of HCSO programs like the Community Shred-It Day, Law Enforcement Memorial Service and a host of other recognition and safety related programs and activities.

Communicating with the Public

Throughout the years, technology has continued to change causing law enforcement agencies across the nation to reevaluate how they communicate with the citizens they serve. Due to the advent of social media, the internet, and the 24 hour news cycle, citizens are no longer limited to the local, 6:00 pm news.

2017 HCSO Facebook Participation	
Type of Activity	Total
Current Participation	11,524
Participation - January 1, 2017	9,081
Participation - December 31, 2017	13,240
Top Post Reach	91,773
2nd Top Post Reach	81,658
Monthly Post Average	46

Nothing has changed the way we communicate more than social media and this is especially true in Law Enforcement. The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Public Information Office utilizes several social media mediums to communicate with our citizens including our website and a Facebook. With the arrival of Facebook and Facebook Live, our Public Information Officer is now able to send updates, live video feed, minute to minute traffic updates, weather information, press releases, and statements not only to the local media in real-time, but to the citizens we serve.

Controlling our Message

Social media has not only allowed us to reach a broader audience in our community, but it has allowed our agency to personally control our message and give our citizens the opportunity to read factual, non-political, unbiased communications from their Sheriff's Office. No longer are our citizens tied to soundbytes and the occasional distortion of events and facts as seen by local, state, and national news outlets. Many residents now utilize our social media pages and our website to offer information and tips to help report illegal activity and receive updates about important safety related issues.

Daily Communication & Outreach

Each year, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Public Information Office fields over 600 media inquiries from local news outlets. Each of these inquiries for the most part lead to stories or information pieces for our local citizenry.

Daily Communication & Outreach		
Type of Activity	Total	Monthly Average
Press Releases Issued	137	11
Internal Communications Issued	125	10
Media Inquiries Fielded	657	54
Public Relations Events	62	5
Facebook Stories/Posts	890	45
Media Interviews Conducted	167	74

Public Relations Events

Hosting and creating public relations events and initiatives are an important part of the Public Information Office. From creating partnerships with local hospitals to promote unnecessary heat-related infant deaths in the summer to promoting stronger relationships between law enforcement and our community's young people, public relations is important to operating a successful and effective law enforcement agency. Some of the many public relations events and activities created by the Public Information Office are listed below:

- Look Before You Lock
- Sheriff's LAWS Program
- Remember the #9PMRoutine
- Annual Law Enforcement Memorial Service
- Bi-Annual Shred-It Day
- Annual Motorcycle Safety Month Event
- Annual Water Safety Month Event
- Numerous Community Safety Related Trainings
- Speaking to Boy Scout Organizations
- National Reading Day Partnership with Hamilton County Read 20 Program
- Monday/Thursday Fugitive for Social Media
- Hamilton County Sheriff's Office – Santa Files #HCSOSantaFiles

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION ON COMMUNITY AFFAIRS ACTIVITIES IN 2017:

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM: Conducted twelve (12) Neighborhood Watch Programs throughout the County

- a. Representatives of Hamilton County Sheriff's Office have met with over 500 County Residents through the Neighborhood Watch Program meetings in 2017.
- b. Addressed over 100 concerns from County Residents through the Neighborhood Watch Program.
- c. Other officials and agencies have attended meetings to answer non law enforcement issues at the Neighborhood Watch meetings.



NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

RESULTS FROM ISSUES VOICED BY RESIDENTS:

TRESPASSERS/SOLITICTORS – Information provided concerning Tennessee state laws are given at the meetings, especially to citizens in unincorporated areas informing them of such needs as a “ No Trespassing ” sign in their yard in order for us enforce certain laws in the county .

SPEEDING IN NEIGHBORHOODS – Increased traffic patrol for speeders by HCSO continues to be a top priority with patrol and traffic division. HCSO Traffic Division has placed the Speed Trailer/Speed Spy in various neighborhoods that are experiencing high speed concerns. Residents have also been informed regarding the restrictions from the Hamilton County Highway Department in the placement of speed bumps and "Slow Children at Play" signs.

REFERRALS TO OUTSIDE AGENCIES – In the Neighborhood Watch meetings referrals are given to other agencies such as Hamilton County Highway Department for traffic signs that have been removed or damaged by vandals, TVA on trespassing problems and Humane Educational Society for farm animal problems and smells in neighborhoods.

Neighborhood Watch referrals have been sent to other Law enforcement agencies throughout Hamilton County such as East Ridge, Red Bank, Chattanooga Police Department, Signal Mountain and Collegedale by this office.

DRUG ACTIVITY– HCSO Narcotics Division has been notified of all drug issues voiced at the watch meetings for further investigation. Undercover operations have been in placed in various neighborhoods with arrests being made from tips from residents. HCSO Narcotics and patrol have seized properties that have been used in the manufacturing of Meth. Neighborhood Watch groups have been instrumental in providing information to HCSO Narcotics division.

Issues voiced during Neighborhood Watch meetings are addressed immediately by forwarding the information onto the appropriate departments or outside agencies within 24 hours by the Neighborhood Watch Coordinator. Residents are encouraged to call dispatch to report suspicious activity and not call the office of the Neighborhood Watch Coordinator to report suspicious activity. Coordinator's office is not manned 24/7.

SCAMS – HCSO receives calls from residents on a daily basis regarding scams the citizens are experiencing by phone, mail or solicitors coming to their doors. Thieves are taking checks out of bills and "washing" the names off the checks and writing their names and taking these checks to banks for cash. Thieves are also taking the personal information off the checks and opening credit card accounts



An annual retiree's Luncheon has been established to recognize deputies and civilian employees, who served the HCSO and have since retired. The sixth retirement luncheon was held in October 2017 with a large turnout of retirees.

in their names using the citizens banking information. All citizens are at risk for ID theft by mail fraud and it can be a real mess to unravel the activity that has occurred as well as clearing up their credit status. This office has printed materials on scams and protecting your Identity and is made available at all watch meetings.

HOMELAND SECURITY AND TERRORIST – These topics are discussed at watch meetings due to the fearful nature of the residents and their concerns for safety in their communities. Printed information from Homeland Security in regards to terrorist activity is provided for the citizens.

HOME SAFETY INFORMATION - Through the neighborhood watch program, information is provided to residents in regards to home and personal safety. Residents are encouraged to lock their vehicles and remove valuables that can be seen from the outside of their vehicles at all watch meetings as well as being reminded by their social media sites and emails. Residents are encouraged not to place personal information social media sites, such as vacations or new purchases that might be seen by the wrong people.

SPECIAL PROJECTS:

- a. Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony and Survivors
- b. HCSO yearly Retirement luncheon
- c. Development of HCSO Neighborhood Watch Newsletter
- d. Roll Call newsletter for employees of HCSO
- e. Drug Take Back Boxes for the HCSO - East and West Sectors
- f. Shred-it -day and Drug Take back events
- g. Hamilton County Fair

The year 2017 brought about several other opportunities to work with the community:

Fallen Officer Memorial- Because the agency is in contact with family members, there have been approximately 100 family members attending the memorial service. This is an increase from past years. Requests are received from other agencies outside of Hamilton County to be included in our Fallen Officer Memorial since there may not be one being held in their community. These agencies are very appreciative of HCSO for including their fallen officers in our local program.

This office has been able to maintain a relationship with the Tennessee Department of Consumer Affairs. This department provides valuable information regarding the latest scams and fraud schemes that affect every citizen in the state of Tennessee.

Through this partnership with the Tennessee Department of Consumer Affairs, printed information was provided at no charge to be given to our attendees at the Neighborhood Watch meetings.

Drug Take Back boxes for citizens of Hamilton County provided by the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, continues to grow with residents calling and asking for information regarding the use of the boxes and the locations. HCSO has participated in several community events in 2017 where the portable take back box has been taken to the location of a community event. The Neighborhood Watch Coordinator receives phone calls daily in regards with questions from citizens wanting information on the drug take back boxes.

Gun Safety Locks are provided for the citizens of Hamilton County by the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office upon request through this office. The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office is the sole provider for **free** gun locks to residents who purchase guns and are seeking locks for their weapons. HCSO is the provider for gunlocks to various shops that sell weapons in the Hamilton County area. HCSO provides gun safety locks to the Erlanger and Memorial Emergency rooms, Children's hospital trauma unit and to Youth Villages to utilize during their gun safety training seminars.



GRANTS AND SPECIAL **PROJECTS**

GRANTS

As local government budgets become tighter and exercise more fiscal conservancy, most law enforcement agencies are finding their budgets tightened as well. This situation mandates that agencies rely more and more on local, state and federal grants. Even with decreasing budgets, agencies still must keep up with modern technology, equipment, and personnel in order to fully protect their citizens.

Our Grants Department under Support Services Division aggressively looks for grant opportunities and applying for these grants. If awarded, grant monies can be awarded with either matching or no matching money restrictions. The money received from these grants is specifically earmarked to provide funding as specified in each grant request. That would include such things as developing responses to local crime, drug problems and traffic issues and for additional equipment, personnel and special task forces. The income from grants usually amounts to \$500,000 to over \$1,000,000 a year.

Some of the major grant funding we receive are provided by the following agencies:

- U. S. Department of Homeland Security – FEMA (2)
- U. S. Department of Justice (4)
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Office of National Drug Control Policy (Appalachia HIDTA)
- Tennessee Office of Criminal Justice Programs
- Tennessee Governor's Highway Safety Office
- Tennessee Department of Transportation
- Tennessee Department of Human Services
- Tennessee Meth Task Force
- AEGIS Law Enforcement Group of Greater Chattanooga
- The Maclellan Family Foundation
- The Miller Family Foundation
- Wal-Mart
- Private Donors

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Special Projects and Programs was designed to work with every division of the sheriff's office. It is tasked with research and implementation of advances for the agency along with aiding the sheriff's office and command staff with projects of specific interest.

When new ideas, procedures, equipment, etc. are offered or suggested to the agency, Special Projects and Programs personnel work to determine its usefulness for HCSO. On any given day, there are at least ten projects in some form of conception or implementation.

Special Projects and Programs is often seen as an incubator for new projects as well as a vehicle for resources and support within the agency. Many of these new ideas become projects, and some become programs in themselves or are integrated with existing programs.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Criminal Justice Internship Program began in 2010 with the first student being from the University of Alabama. Since that time, more than fifty (50) interns have been through our program. Most interns have come to us from the University of Tennessee – Chattanooga. Other schools represented include University of Alabama, Appalachian State University, Baker College, ITT Technical College, Middle Tennessee State University, Miller-Motte School, Northwest Georgia Technical College, Tennessee Wesleyan College, and North Central University.

The interns rotate through many divisions and departments of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. Additionally, their rotations include several Federal and State Agencies, i.e., Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Federal Bureau of Investigation, HC911, Hamilton County District Attorney, Hamilton County Juvenile Courts, General Sessions Courts, Criminal Division Courts, Hamilton County Park Rangers, Second Life Chattanooga, Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Marshal's Service and U.S. Probation Office.

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office began offering criminal justice internships for a variety of reasons; including but not limited to the following:

1. Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) Standard 44.2.4 encourages law enforcement agencies to work with young people so that students, faculty, and officers may develop an understanding and mutual respect for each other. CALEA requires law enforcement agencies to maintain a recruiting policy and an internship program helps us accordingly.
2. Provide students with an opportunity to confirm career choice, gain valuable work or observation experience, and develop networking opportunities. It may lead to a different and more successful career track in the criminal justice system.
3. Allow students to apply classroom knowledge and increase confidence in real-world setting. Students learn the complexities of the criminal justice system and the importance of interagency coordination and collaboration.
4. Enable students to transition more easily into their new employment after graduation.
5. Identify candidates for future employment consideration.
6. Be proactive in additional ways that benefit the community.

INFORMATION DESK

This program began in 2010 and has proven very successful. The motivating reasons for establishing the Information Desk on the first floor of the Hamilton County – Chattanooga Courts Building was to (1) assist those having court hearings to get to the correct court room or in some cases, the right court building; and (2) to allow those working at the Court Security Stations to focus on security matters rather than being distracted to provide directions. The Information Desk is staffed during the morning docket calls when the visitor traffic is at its highest.

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CORRECTIONS CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

ACA CERTIFICATIONS

CCE (Certified Corrections Executive) – 1
CCM (Certified Corrections Manager) – 2
CCS (Certified Corrections Supervisors) – 7
CCS/STG (Cert Corrections Super/STG) - 1
CCN (Certified Corrections Nurse) – 2
CCO (Certified Corrections Officer) – 17



AJA CERTIFICATIONS

CJM (Certified Jail Managers) – 3
NCCHC (National Commission Correctional Health Care) – 1
CCHP (Certified Correctional Health Professional) – 1

TRAINING

OFFICERS THAT COMPLETED IN-SERVICE – 117
OFFICERS THAT COMPLETED FIRE ARMS IN-SERVICE – 130
SUPERVISORS THAT COMPLETED IN-SERVICE – 25
SUPPORT/NON-SUPPORT THAT COMPLETED IN-SERVICE 37
CADETS THAT GRADUATED CORRECTIONS ACADEMY – 19



AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION

JAIL CAPACITY IS 505 – AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION – 526

INMATES BOOKED – 19,908
INMATES RELEASED – 17,237

INMATES SENTENCED TO THE PENITENTIARY

INMATES SENT – 177
OFFICERS USED IN TRANSPORT – 80



INMATES ESCORTED TO COURTS

CRIMINAL, SESSIONS, ETC – **9,630**

CHILD SUPPORT, CHANCERY, CIRCUIT, ETC – **176**

JUVENILE VIDEO – **93**

VIDEO ARRAIGNMENTS – **613**



INMATE TRANSPORTS

TOTAL NUMBER OF TRANSPORTS – **1,803**

TOTAL MILEAGE FOR TRANSPORTS – **39,140**

TOTAL OFFICERS USED FOR TRANSPORTS – **3,178**

TOTAL HOURS FOR TRANSPORTS – **7,248**



MENTAL HEALTH TRANSPORTS

TOTAL NUMBER OF TRANSPORTS – **666**

TOTAL MILEAGE FOR TRANSPORTS – **25,124**

TOTAL OFFICERS USED FOR TRANSPORTS – **1,275**

TOTAL HOURS FOR TRANSPORTS – **2,303**

SESSIONS COURT DOCKETS

AVERAGE # SENT TO SESSIONS WEEKLY – **130**

AVERAGE # SENT TO SESSIONS YEARLY – **6,251**

AVERAGE # AFFIDAVITS PROCESSED – **21,473**

CRIMINAL COURT DOCKETS

AVERAGE # SENT TO CRIMINAL WEEKLY – **89**

AVERAGE # JUDGMENTS & ORDERS – **21,006**



CELL SEARCHES

BILLING

FEDERAL INMATE HOUSING - **\$605,773**

STATE INMATE HOUSING - **\$481,500**

SOCIAL SECURITY - **\$48,000**

TOTAL TRANSFERS

CORE-CIVIC – **7,072**

TDOC – **240**

CADAS – **32**

FEDERAL – **103**

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS – **246**

OTHERS – **914**

FILE ROOM AVERAGES

FILES PRODUCED PER DAY – **55**

FILES PRODUCED YEARLY ON AVG – **19,965**

RECORDS SENT TO ARCHIVES – **59,794**

FINGERPRINT SUBMISSIONS

ALL MUNICIPLALITIES – **19,999**

INMATE PROGRAMS FOR THE YEAR

TOTAL # OF INMATE PROGRAMS - **38**

INMATES ENROLLED IN PROGRAMS – **202**

PERCENTAGE OF INMATES ENROLLED – **42%**

ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS – **108**

SUPPORT SERVICES SUPPLY

INMATES DRESSED OUT – **9,903**

MATTRESSES SCANNED FOR CONTRABAND –
1,168

MATTRESSES SANITIZED – **4,625**



INMATE DAMAGED PROPERTY:

MATTRESSES – **294**

UNIFORMS – **210**

JAIL SHOES – **2,046**

LAUNDRY

NUMBER OF BAGGED LAUNDRY COMPLETED – **25,693**

NUMBER OF BULK CARTS LAUNDRY COMPLETED – **2,234**

KITCHEN

TOTAL MEALS – **631,200**

MEDICAL/SPECIAL DIETS – **69,837**

DIETARY SNACKS – **4,088**

TOTAL COST - **\$857,274**

PREA YEARLY SUMMARY

YEARLY SUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATIONS – **1**

YEARLY UNFOUNDED ALLEGATIONS – **21**

YEARLY UNSUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATIONS – **15**



MEDICAL CLINIC OPERATIONS

INMATE PHYSICALS – **3,066**

INMATE SICK CALLS – **3,723**

INMATE DENTAL SERVICES – **290**

INMATE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES – **1,284**

AVG # OF INMATES ON MEDICATION – **52%**

INMATES SENT OUT FOR XRAYs – **57**

INMATES EMERGENCY ROOM VISITS – **175**

INMATES ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL – **40**

INMATES THAT HAD SURGERY – **19**

AVG # OF INMATES ON MENTAL HEALTH MEDS – **41%**

INMATES OUTSIDE MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS – **129**

BLOOD DRAWS - **803**



SECURITY OPERATIONS

CONTRABAND CONTROL:

CELLS SEARCHED – 7,686
BI-WEEKLY INSPECTIONS – 5,594
ROUTINE SEARCHES – 1,323
HIGH RISK TARGET CELLS – 788
EXCESSIVE CLOTHING – 6,560
CELL PHONES – 6
DANGEROUS CONTRABAND RECOVERED – 1,786



CRITICAL INCIDENTS:

INMATE ON INMATE ASSAULTS – 206
INMATE ON OFFICER ASSAULTS – 307

USE OF FORCE:

OC SPRAY – 66
TASERS – 10
RESTRAINT CHAIR - 100
ESCAPES – 0
SUICIDE ATTEMPTS – 51
DEATHS – 3



INMATE DISCIPLINARY IN-HOUSE CHARGES

MAJOR SEVERITY – 204
MODERATE SEVERITY – 179
LEAST SEVERITY – 75
REDUCED TO INCIDENT REPORTS – 83

SECURITY THREAT GROUP

AVERAGE DIFFERENT SETS/CLICKS – 90
NUMBER IN CUSTODY MONTHLY - 98
UNFOUNDED STG INTERVIEWS – 19
TOTAL INTERVIEWS FOR 2017 – 73



RECREATION

INMATES THAT PARTICIPATED IN RECREATION – 2,270

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COURT SECURITY

COURT SECURITY

Because courthouses must be accessible and in centralized locations, they are vulnerable to acts of random violence. Courts must have proper court security procedures, technology, personnel, and architectural features, to not only protect the safety of people and property within and around the courts, but also the integrity of the judicial process. While there is no one solution to issues concerning court security, proper planning must involve collaboration with law enforcement agencies, emergency agencies, and governing bodies. Courts must also have emergency management plans in place. While security threats and violent incidents are on the rise, available funding from state and local governments for security staffing and equipment to protect courts has become increasingly limited.

The Court Security Division has (24) Officers under the command of Captain Ron Parson, Sgt. Billy McGowan and Cpl. Jim Pickett.

Together they are responsible for the City-County Courts Building, the Hamilton County Courthouse, the Tag and Title Office located on Bonny Oaks drive as well as front security at Juvenile Court and Child support Court. Court Officers are assigned to work “holding cells” for General Sessions Court.



One (1) Court Officer is assigned to “holding cells” located in between Courtroom #3 and Courtroom #4 and one (1) Court Officer is assigned to the “holding cells located in courtroom #1.

COURT SECURITY PERSONNEL			
Courts	SWORN	SWORN	CIVILIAN
	CERTIFIED	NON - CERTIFIED	(P/T)
Captain	1	0	0
Lieutenant	0	0	0
Sergeant	0	1	0
Corporal	0	1	0
Court Officers	3	20	0
Total(s)	3	22	0
Total Assigned Personnel:	25		

The Court Security Division is responsible for the safety of all inmates on trial, witnesses who may be Inmates or defendants, for all victims and their families and for the public in the courtrooms on all occasions.



The Court Security division provides security for the Hamilton County Courthouse and the City-Courts Building common areas and provides security for courtrooms for all the Judges. Additionally Court Security Division personnel are also responsible for the Grand Jury and the Petit Jury.

Criminal Court Officers are responsible for accommodating jurors during the course of a jury trial. These accommodations include: Escorting and transporting jurors to and from all meal and crime scenes if, necessary. In the case of a sequestered jury trial, the officers responsibilities include keeping jurors sequestered while making hotel arrangements, food arrangements, making sure that their personal items get to them and staying with the jury at all times throughout the duration of the trial.

COURT SECURITY ACTIVITIES			
Criminal Court Subpoenas Served:	672	Trials:	16
General Session Court Subpoenas Served:	13995	Sequestered Jury's:	1
Show Causes Served:	2105	High Profile Case:	5
Orders of Protection:	1131	Threats on Judges:	2
Lock Down :	0	Assaults:	1
Evacuation (Bomb):	0	Taser Incidents:	2
Evacuation (Fire) :	3	Chemical Incidents:	0
Evacuation :	3	Use of Force Incidents:	3

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ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

Human Resources (HR)

2017 was a very busy year for the Human Resources, as you will see from the numbers below. A couple of the highlights were an increase in registers from the previous year. With the combination of retirements and separations, we lost 47 personnel, hired 80 full and part-timers promoted or advanced 76 employees. With the anticipated loss of personnel in 2018 due to the bridge plan, 2018 has started out with initial and promotional registers to backfill those planning to retire.

The HR Division was also involved in five Job Fairs in 2017 with the intent of backfilling all of our vacancies with the highest qualify applicants.

Human Resources monitored and assisted the Jail Medical Clinic in administering 424 TB Tests as well as 188 flu shots. Due to issues regarding the wording on the special deputy commissions, we were limited in our ability to issue cards to CPD and other municipalities in 2017. Now that this has been resolved, we will be issuing cards again in 2018.

We also had a substantial increase of 30% in background checks from the previous year, as well as an increase in fingerprinting, as we were asked by area police departments to submit fingerprints to TBI for their law enforcement personnel.

Human Resources					
New Registers	51	Suspensions W/O Pay	6	Donelson Academy	6
Separations	29	Suspensions with Pay	2	TB Test Administered	424
Retirements	12	Job Fairs	5	Flu Shots	188
Retired/Terminal	6	Military Activation	0	Special Deputy ID	27
Terminations	0	Return form Military	0	Retirement ID	21
OJI (new)	80	Loudermill Hearings	5	Background Checks	900
Special Assignments	26	Promotions	23	Fingerprinting	123
Hires	80	Advancement/Transfers	53		
		Civil Service Board Meetings	3		

INFORMATION SYSTEMS (IS)

Information Systems 2017 Activity

As in the past years, this year has also been no exception and has been an incredibly busy year for the division. Tickets and projects completed in 2017 totaled 5,320.

Personnel

There are currently nine individuals assigned to the division. Two Records Clerks on assignment to IT were trained and promoted to Helpdesk Technician in 2017.

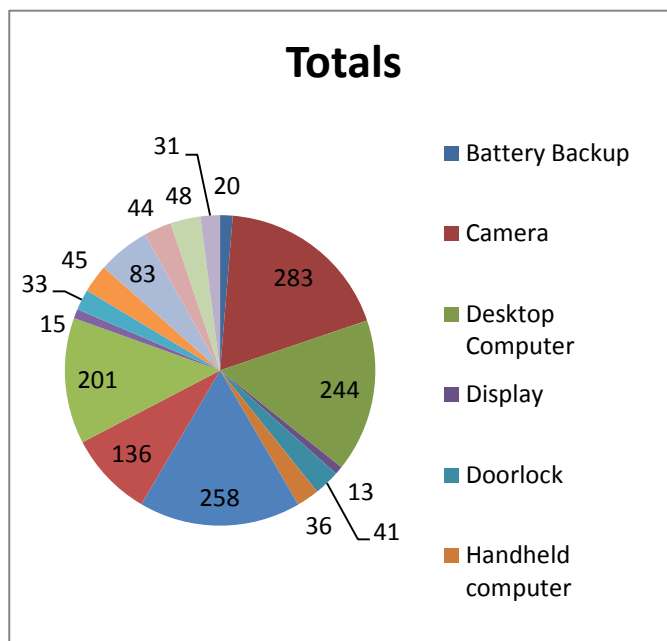
Equipment

The IT Division supports 1,531 items and over 500 computer and door lock accounts that are located throughout the county for use. The upkeep of the items below includes refreshing with new as the useful age expires. We also assist HCSO purchasing with cell phone and telecommunication issues.

Local and Wide Area Networking

Multiple locations are supported throughout the county via Wide Area Networking including Downtown (Market Street), Jail (Walnut), MLK, Silverdale, West (Dayton Blvd), East (Hickory) and 118 remote computers via secure remote VPN connection.

Row Labels	Count of Equip Description
Battery Backup	20
Camera	283
Desktop Computer	244
Display	13
Door lock	41
Handheld computer	36
Laptop	258
Network Equipment	136
Printing, Scan, etc.	201
Projector	15
Server-Physical	33
Server-Virtual	45
Software	83
Tablet	44
Television	48
Video Equipment	31
Grand Total	1531



Finance

Not unlike other departments in the Sheriff's Office, Finance responsibilities have experienced significant growth in the past few years. Consider that approximately five years ago the Sheriff's Office oversaw a budget limited to 370 employees and twenty-five million dollars. This budget has now grown to over fifty-two million dollars with a total of 420 employees.

The growth of employee numbers can be attributed to various factors including additional employees allocated by the Hamilton County Commission and also to grants which range from operational strength to additional officers.

These areas include Safe Journey program and the COPS grants that make provisions for additional SRO which places additional officers in the classroom. There is also gained capital for programs such as Port Security which allows larger expenditures. These funds can be used to purchase underwater detection devices which aid in safe water ways for the county's commercial and recreational areas within the community. In addition the Sheriff's Office received the transferred of the Silverdale Detention facility which shows trust from the County Mayor and Commission to the Sheriff and his team of employees.

Expenditure Data for HCSO for FY 2018 (yr ending June 30, 2018) as of Dec. 31, 2017				
	Current	Projected	Budgeted	Favorable
	Expenditures	Expenditures	Expenditures	(Unfavorable)
Salaries-Fund #83	\$ 9,199,000	\$ 17,085,000	\$ 17,141,000	\$ 56,000
Overtime-Fund #83	\$ 1,275,000	\$ 2,366,000	\$ 1,277,000	\$ (1,089,000)
Benefits-Fund #83	\$ 5,869,000	\$ 10,900,000	\$ 11,000,000	\$ 100,000
Subtotal Payroll-Fund #83	\$ 16,343,000	\$ 30,351,000	\$ 29,418,000	\$ (933,000)
Operating Exp-Fund #83	\$ 2,200,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,200,000	\$ 200,000
Silverdale-Fund #83	\$ 6,859,000	\$ 17,344,000	\$ 17,544,000	\$ 200,000
Total Fund # 83	\$ 25,402,000	\$ 52,695,000	\$ 52,162,000	\$ (533,000)
Narcotic's Fund #84	\$ 77,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 411,345	\$ 261,345
Sex Offender Fund #85	\$ 2,000	\$ 21,500	\$ 84,000	\$ 62,500
Capital Funds	\$ 1,115,000	\$ 1,222,525	\$ 1,222,525	\$ -

From a financial standpoint The Sheriff's Office, would also like to take the opportunity to thank the Commission who has also allocated additional capital funds to the sheriff. These are much different times economically from previous years, when the agency only purchased ten (10) vehicles on average. That average has now increased to nearly thirty vehicles per year. This insures newer more modern equipment for the officers of the Sheriff's Office to carry out their duties in a much safer environment and in a more efficient way. See appendices for a detailed finance spending log.

CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION

The records division is comprised of one Records Supervisor nine (9) full-time Records Clerks and one (1) part-time Records Clerk. The division operates very smoothly and efficiently and is overseen by Information Systems Manager, Ron Bernard and Records Supervisor, Ginger Merritt.

The Records Division processes thousands of items per year including the following: Open records requests (paper and video), background checks, tow sheet processing, handgun permit checks, arrest report entry, citation entry, expungement processing, NCIC warrant entry, NCIC Orders of protection entry, NCIC Bond Conditions entry, NCIC article and vehicle entry, verification of TIBRs reportable Offenses for TN state reporting.

The Records Supervisor also participates in the training of agency personnel for proper operations of our Records Management Software.

The Records Division contains our Terminal Agency Coordinator (TAC) and the Alternate TAC. The duties for the TACS are to keep us in compliance with state and federal reporting regulations.

Legal

The Director of Administration acts as the Liaison with the County Attorney's Office in the majority of legal issues within the HCSO. The County Attorney's Office is represented by R. Dee Hobbs, Esquire and his Legal Assistant, Sharon Milling, Legal Assistant, who may also be an attorney by this time next year.

Grievances

For calendar year 2017, there were a total of only five (5) grievances. Of the five filed, four were by Corrections Officers and one was by a Sheriff's Corporal, which went all the way up the Chain of Command, was denied and then heard and decided by the Civil Service Board.

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ADDENDUM I
FINANCE REPORT

Purchasing/Accounts Management

With the injection of the most capital funds we have been given ever, and in conjunction with both the IS Division as well as HR being so busy this year, the cause and effect have been major on the Purchasing Division. Listed below are some of the major purchases that have been made this year as well as some of the major bids, along with Purchase Orders issued over one thousand dollars, request for proposals and contracts. Billing of all grants for reimbursement federal and state related. Also, Purchasing is responsible for keeping up with our Travel/Meetings funds and reports along with P-Card purchases for the entire Sheriff's Office, fuel and the monthly fuel reports for the HCSO, tracking and paying all of our bills to include over one hundred and sixty cell-phones throughout the HCSO. They did an excellent job with all of these functions and as of this date, we are looking at being slightly under-budget for FY 2016-2017.

PURCHASING

PO DATE	PO #	VENDOR	AMOUNT	
7/1/2016	P23901	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,111.24	
7/7/2016	P23928	CORNERSTONE INSTITUTIONAL LLC	28,121.00	
7/12/2016	P23937	PCW LLC DBA AAMCO CHATTANOOGA	1,600.00	
7/12/2016	P24029	DATAWORKS PLUS LLC	35,656.00	
7/13/2016	P23945	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,438.88	
7/13/2016	P23946	TENNANT SALES AND SERVICE COMPANY	2,708.36	
7/14/2016	P23947	SOUTHERN COMPUTER WAREHOUSE	2,342.64	
7/19/2016	P23999	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,432.68	
7/26/2016	P24002	NAVEX GLOBAL INC	3,483.48	
7/27/2016	P24085	TRITECH SOFTWARE SYSTEMS	51,860.24	
7/28/2016	P24007	SAITECH INCORPORATED	1,999.16	
7/29/2016	P24008	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	5,038.96	
	TOTAL	July 30, 2016		138,792.64
		INNOVATIVE DATA SOLUTIONS INC POWER		
8/1/2016	P24019	DMS	1,909.95	
8/1/2016	P24018	SAITECH INCORPORATED	24,204.30	
8/2/2016	P24026	ROMAINE COMPANIES		

			1,140.00
8/8/2016	P24049	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,420.88
8/9/2016	P24058	SAITECH INCORPORATED	7,559.67
8/10/2016	P24054	DIVERSE COMPUTING INCORPORATED	6,500.00
8/15/2016	P24068	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,177.92
8/26/2016	P24129	THE LOCK DOC	1,511.73
8/26/2016	P24128	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,942.32
8/26/2016	P24130	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,309.97
8/29/2016	P24178	GOVCONNECTION INC	<u>1,150.00</u>
	TOTAL	August 31, 2016	52,826.74
9/12/2016	P24175	CALLYO 2009 CORPORATION	3,050.00
9/13/2016	P24190	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	4,367.03
9/14/2016	P24191	A T AND T	3,345.18
9/15/2016	P24201	ADORAMA INC	3,519.50
9/16/2016	P24209	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,135.82
9/19/2016	P24213	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE PROGRAM INC	1,230.90
9/20/2016	P24219	ON DUTY DEPOT INCORPORATED	2,096.00
9/21/2016	P24239	SOUTHERN COMPUTER WAREHOUSE	2,923.45
9/21/2016	P24228	GOVERNMENTJOBS.COM INC DBA NEOGOV	6,500.00
9/22/2016	P24514	BOTACH INCORPORATED	43,783.16
9/23/2016	P24244	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,135.82
9/27/2016	P24253	CHARM TEX	<u>1,239.70</u>
	TOTAL	September 30, 2016	76,326.56
10/3/2016	P24301	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,447.36
10/6/2016	P24293	M J SAFETY SOLUTIONS	

			2,000.00	
10/7/2016	P24302	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,275.92	
10/18/2016	P24331	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,720.89	
10/18/2016	P24332	IPRINT TECHNOLOGIES	2,850.00	
10/20/2016	P24430	CI TECHNOLOGIES INCORPORATED	34,000.00	
10/24/2016	P24354	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,208.38	
10/25/2016	P24355	CDW GOVERNMENT INC	3,817.00	
10/31/2016	P24379	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	<u>2,228.54</u>	
	TOTAL			October 31, 2016
				53,548.09
11/2/2016	P24388	A T AND T	1,285.09	
11/2/2016	P24401	BRUNSWICK COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT PRODUCTS	12,262.17	
11/2/2016	P24384	SAITECH INCORPORATED	14,522.58	
11/4/2016	P24406	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,218.46	
11/10/2016	P24419	INTUITIVE CONTROL SYSTEMS	2,820.00	
11/10/2016	P24515	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	58,224.50	
11/14/2016	P24444	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,218.46	
11/18/2016	P24446	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,197.30	
11/18/2016	P24498	EVENFLO COMPANY INC	2,297.69	
11/21/2016	P24455	ON DUTY DEPOT INCORPORATED	1,875.00	
11/21/2016	P24454	SAITECH INCORPORATED	12,102.15	
11/21/2016	P24459	INSIGHT PUBLIC SECTOR	31,473.00	
11/21/2016	P24462	HERITAGE ON LANIER INCORPORATED	71,324.00	
11/29/2016	P24482	A T AND T	1,067.98	
11/29/2016	P24481	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,234.11	
11/30/2016	P24491	DYNAMIC TECHNOLOGIES INCOPORATED		

			1,594.00	
11/30/2016	P24483	PCW LLC DBA AAMCO CHATTANOOGA	1,600.00	
11/30/2016	P25069	ON DUTY DEPOT INCORPORATED	<u>72,030.00</u>	
	TOTAL	November 30, 2016		293,346.49
12/2/2016	P24495	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC	2,662.50	
12/2/2016	P24492	CDW GOVERNMENT INC	3,014.99	
12/2/2016	P24499	TRITECH SOFTWARE SYSTEMS	8,784.00	
12/5/2016	P24516	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,215.04	
12/9/2016	P24535	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	3,122.50	
12/9/2016	P24545	THE WILL BURT COMPANY	4,750.00	
12/9/2016	P24536	INSIGHT PUBLIC SECTOR	6,305.80	
12/9/2016	P24524	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	11,970.00	
12/13/2016	P24547	BELNICK INC. DBA BIZCHAIR	1,299.48	
12/13/2016	P24549	PATRIOT SYSTEMS DBA COMMERCIAL ICE SYSTEMS	1,385.00	
12/13/2016	P24548	BOB BARKER COMPANY	1,789.00	
12/13/2016	P24544	SILVEY METALWORKS INC	8,772.25	
12/14/2016	P24572	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,343.02	
12/14/2016	P24551	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	13,399.00	
12/16/2016	P24582	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,167.60	
12/16/2016	P24595	FORD OF MURFREESBORO	370,263.82	
12/30/2016	P24625	FESCO	1,099.18	
12/30/2016	P24623	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	<u>4,602.38</u>	
	TOTAL	December 31, 2016		449,945.56
1/4/2017	P24629	NISSAN OF COOL SPRINGS	18,652.00	
1/4/2017	P24628	FORD OF MURFREESBORO		

			61,254.56
1/4/2017	P24627	CDJR OF COLUMBIA	85,302.00
1/12/2017	P24659	WHITFIELD OIL COMPANY	1,663.75
1/12/2017	P24670	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,182.71
1/12/2017	P24671	EVENFLO COMPANY INC	2,284.06
1/12/2017	P24669	HAWK ANALYTICS	2,495.00
1/17/2017	P24662	APPLIED CONCEPTS INC	13,125.00
1/18/2017	P24678	GOODYEAR TIRE AND RUBBER COMPANY	1,648.79
1/18/2017	P24676	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,266.55
1/18/2017	P24679	PAULS AUTO PARTS	2,850.00
1/23/2017	P24705	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,195.90
1/25/2017	P24713	INSIGHT PUBLIC SECTOR	6,172.28
1/25/2017	P24707	SOUTHEAST PAINTERS INCORPORATED	25,300.00
1/30/2017	P24718	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,230.56
1/30/2017	P24720	VIDEORAY LLC	<u>11,469.50</u>
	TOTAL	January 31, 2017	241,092.66
2/3/2017	P24741	GLADDEN EQUIPMENT CO	1,193.00
2/3/2017	P24742	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	2,295.03
2/6/2017	P24748	GOODMAN LAUNDRY SERVICE	2,209.93
2/7/2017	P24747	BOTACH INCORPORATED	43,783.16
2/8/2017	P24766	PELCO BY SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC	1,312.76
2/10/2017	P24773	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,790.25
2/10/2017	P24778	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC	2,662.50
2/13/2017	P24782	A T AND T	11,958.75
2/14/2017	P24784	DATAWORKS PLUS LLC	

			14,380.50
2/15/2017	P24796	FESCO	1,826.37
2/15/2017	P24801	CODEX CORPORATION	4,699.00
2/20/2017	P24812	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,841.58
2/21/2017	P24822	ADORAMA INC	3,450.00
2/23/2017	P24834	MUNICO	4,225.00
2/24/2017	P24841	SILVEY METALWORKS INC	2,447.00
2/27/2017	P24848	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,773.90
2/27/2017	P24849	BENNETT AND PLESS INC	<u>2,357.50</u>
	TOTAL	February 28, 2017	104,206.23
3/6/2017	P24874	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,845.18
3/8/2017	P24886	SOUTHERN COMPUTER WAREHOUSE	2,407.46
3/9/2017	P24889	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	4,360.00
3/9/2017	P24888	CRAIGS FIREARM SUPPLY	17,212.50
3/9/2017	P24988	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	52,250.00
3/10/2017	P24914	CRAIGS FIREARM SUPPLY	2,420.00
3/10/2017	P24915	WHITFIELD OIL COMPANY	2,496.00
3/13/2017	P24916	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,863.18
3/13/2017	P24904	SOUTHERN COMPUTER WAREHOUSE	5,641.78
3/14/2017	P24898	WILSON COUNTY MOTOR COMPANY	28,225.65
3/15/2017	P24908	COOKS CORRECTIONAL	1,643.71
3/15/2017	P24913	DTC COMMUNICATIONS	4,596.00
3/16/2017	P24930	GOV DIRECT INCORPORATED	17,650.50
3/17/2017	P24929	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,863.18
3/21/2017	P24936	CRAIGS FIREARM SUPPLY	

			12,270.00	
3/24/2017	P24962	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,863.18	
3/30/2017	P24984	AUDIO VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS INCORPORATED	8,755.00	
3/30/2017	P24967	DB SERVICES	11,979.95	
3/31/2017	P24981	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	<u>1,863.18</u>	
	TOTAL		March 31, 2017	181,206.45
4/4/2017	P25012	CANAL ALARM DEVICES INCORPORATED	5,784.34	
4/5/2017	P25009	DIVERSE COMPUTING INCORPORATED	3,750.00	
4/11/2017	P25021	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,863.18	
4/11/2017	P25023	B AND H PHOTO AND ELECTRONICS CORPORATION	8,799.00	
4/11/2017	P25024	HARWOOD INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION	19,306.00	
4/11/2017	P25275	G T DISTRIBUTORS	120,996.00	
4/12/2017	P25036	SHELF PLUS	1,200.00	
4/12/2017	P25022	WHITFIELD OIL COMPANY	1,924.20	
4/19/2017	P25041	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,689.03	
4/19/2017	P25044	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE PROGRAM INC	1,697.52	
4/19/2017	P25042	MURRAY PRINTING AND OFFICE SUPPLY	2,498.24	
4/19/2017	P25279	IBM CORPORATION	41,065.00	
4/24/2017	P25058	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,536.48	
4/24/2017	P25098	ACUMEN IT	3,651.96	
4/27/2017	P25074	OREILLY AUTO PARTS	2,495.88	
4/27/2017	P25079	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC	3,954.00	
4/28/2017	P25081	IPVIDEO CORPORATION	<u>8,755.00</u>	
	TOTAL		April 30, 2017	230,965.83
5/1/2017	P25084	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY		

			1,824.48
5/2/2017	P25103	PHILLIPS CONTRACTORS AND MANAGEMENT LLC	1,485.00
5/2/2017	P25095	ON DUTY DEPOT INCORPORATED	7,580.00
5/2/2017	P25094	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	8,672.76
5/2/2017	P25096	CDW GOVERNMENT INC	24,742.80
5/3/2017	P25097	CRAIGS FIREARM SUPPLY	2,454.00
5/3/2017	P25223	CUMMINS ALLISON COROPORATION	14,548.00
5/4/2017	P25099	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	2,394.00
5/4/2017	P25170	CDJR OF COLUMBIA	28,139.00
5/4/2017	P25171	CDJR OF COLUMBIA	113,736.00
5/5/2017	P25117	CRAIGS FIREARM SUPPLY	4,500.84
5/8/2017	P25118	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,819.08
5/9/2017	P25124	SOUTHERN COMPUTER WAREHOUSE	2,083.41
5/9/2017	P25122	OREILLY AUTO PARTS	2,209.60
5/9/2017	P25128	PATRIOT SYSTEMS DBA COMMERCIAL ICE SYSTEMS	4,879.00
5/9/2017	P25144	MOUNTAIN VIEW CHEVROLET	6,698.71
5/10/2017	P25141	CRAIGS FIREARM SUPPLY	1,928.80
5/10/2017	P25139	PEN-LINK	2,200.00
5/10/2017	P25148	PCW LLC DBA AAMCO CHATTANOOGA	3,423.27
5/10/2017	P25145	APPLIED CONCEPTS INC	9,187.50
5/15/2017	P25151	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,824.48
5/17/2017	P25168	WHITFIELD OIL COMPANY	1,149.60
5/18/2017	P25175	PCM SALES INCORPORATED	1,862.00
5/18/2017	P25176	ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH INSTITUTE	2,275.00
5/18/2017	P25180	IPRINT TECHNOLOGIES	

			2,635.00	
5/19/2017	P25182	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,824.48	
5/26/2017	P25203	PCM SALES INCORPORATED	1,304.00	
5/26/2017	P25206	COS BUSINESS PRODUCTS AND INTERIORS	1,460.58	
5/26/2017	P25204	INSIGHT PUBLIC SECTOR	2,203.68	
5/26/2017	P25211	SEAWIDE MARINE DISTRIBUTION INC	2,921.32	
5/30/2017	P25215	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	<u>1,824.48</u>	
	TOTAL	May 31, 2017		265,790.87
6/1/2017	P25226	PHYSIO CONTROL CORPORATION MEDTRONIC	1,841.25	
6/1/2017	P25227	TRUCK N TRAILERS USA	2,284.00	
6/1/2017	P25233	GANS AND PUGH ASSOCIATES	9,905.00	
6/2/2017	P25240	ADVANCED DETECTION SYSTEMS	1,276.48	
6/2/2017	P25246	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,778.40	
6/2/2017	P25239	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	2,180.00	
6/2/2017	P25243	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	2,303.00	
6/2/2017	P25242	CRAIGS FIREARM SUPPLY	2,380.00	
6/2/2017	P25241	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	2,384.00	
6/2/2017	P25248	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	6,050.00	
6/2/2017	P25249	GULF STATES DISTRIBUTORS INC	6,362.50	
6/7/2017	P25272	ADAMS MOTORSPORTS AND GRAPHICS	1,810.00	
6/7/2017	P25271	CHANNING L BETE COMPANY INC	2,421.11	
6/8/2017	P25281	NORTH AMERICA RESCUE LLC	2,492.30	
6/9/2017	P25283	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,824.48	
6/12/2017	P25292	INTEGRITY CHEVROLET	2,085.86	
6/12/2017	P25294	FESCO		

			2,443.51
6/14/2017	P25307	TRUCK N TRAILERS USA	1,790.00
6/14/2017	P25312	CHEROKEE TRUCK EQUIPMENT COMPANY	5,404.30
6/14/2017	P25310	JOHNSTONE SUPPLY	6,560.02
6/15/2017	P25319	NORTHGATE PARTS	1,540.00
6/19/2017	P25345	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	1,805.13
6/23/2017	P25360	FESCO	1,667.03
6/23/2017	P25359	BORDEN DAIRY OF KENTUCKY	<u>1,824.48</u>
	TOTAL	June 30, 2017	<u>72,412.85</u>
	GRAND TOTAL		<u><u>2,160,460.97</u></u>

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

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ADDENDUM II
CRIME ANALYSIS

and forgery, vandalism, drug offenses, and other sex offenses—are “Part II Crimes.” Definitions of each of these crimes are included at the beginnings of their respective sections.

The Hierarchy Rule

The Hierarchy Rule states that if multiple offenses are committed in the same incident, it is classified (and reported) as the most serious of the offenses. Thus, although almost all robberies involve both an assault and a theft, such incidents are included only under the “robbery” category. Similarly, the statistics for “larceny” only include incidents in which larceny is the primary crime; thefts from houses and businesses that involve illegal entry are “burglaries” and are reported there.

Using the hierarchy rule helps both police and community members understand crime. If you see that larcenies have increased 10% in your area, you don’t have to worry that those thefts involve threats or violence. If they did, they would be reported as robberies instead of larcenies.

Best Data at the Time

All statistics, including yearly totals and weighted averages, are calculated using the best available data at the time. Occasionally, after our reports are published, factors determined during investigation will cause us to reclassify a crime to a higher or lower category, and thus you may see slight discrepancies between current and past reports. In all cases, the more recent data is the more correct data.

Jurisdictional Data Issues Regarding Crime Reporting and Service area of Sheriff’s Offices

While deputies of the Sheriff’s Office have complete jurisdiction within all of Hamilton County the primary service area for calls of service will be the unincorporated areas of Hamilton County as well as the contract city of Lakesite with the city of Walden also being included in this data. Deputies also have staff in many Hamilton County schools within municipalities where school resource officers are assigned as well as Hamilton county facilities and parks which may be located within a municipal city limits.

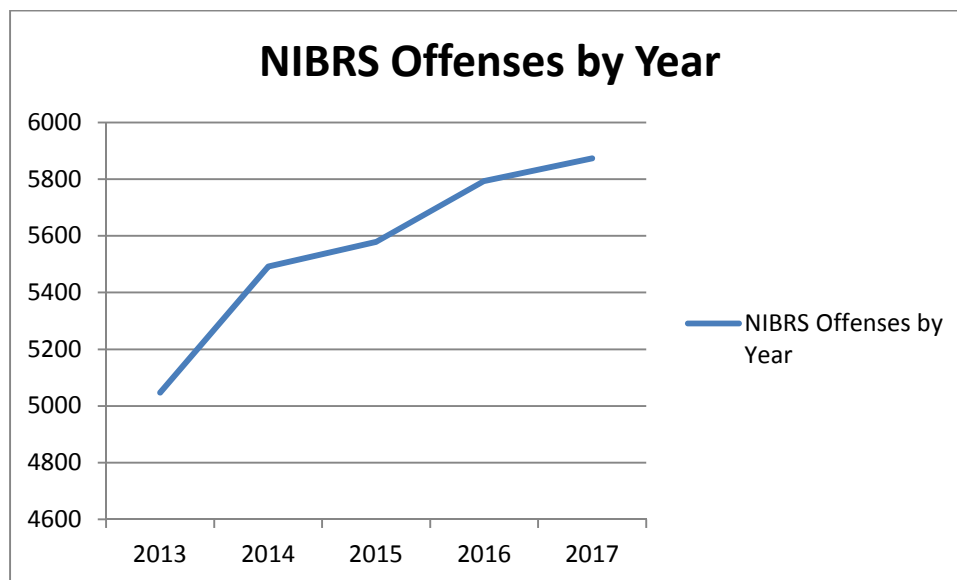
Specialized divisions and partnerships which provide service to all of Hamilton County include;

- Narcotics Division
- Fugitive Division
- Civil Process Division
- Sex Offender Registry Unit
- City/County Gang Task Force
- FBI Safe Streets Task Force
- DEA Task Force
- SRO Division
- Cold Case Task Force

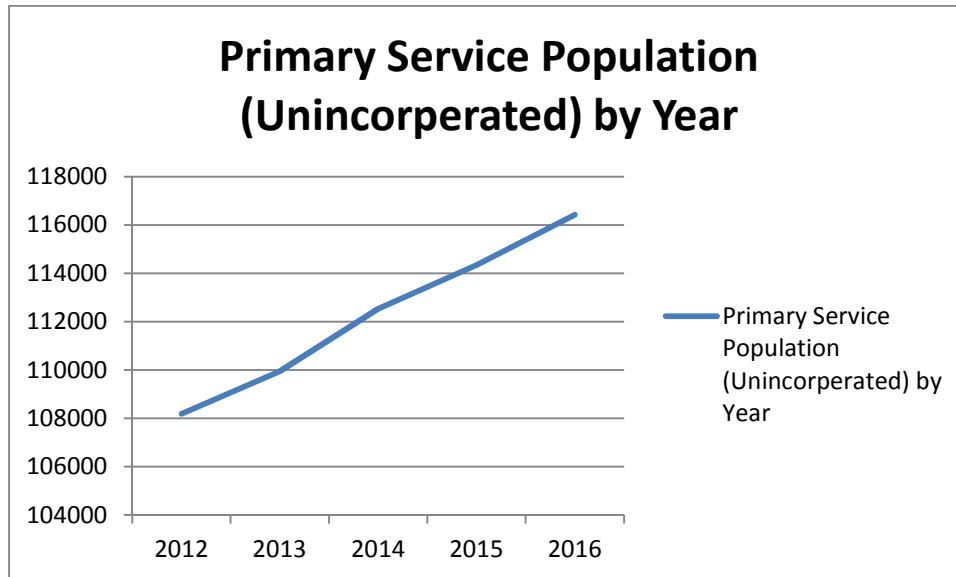
Note: Crime Data in this report reflects 2017 crime which the Sheriff's Office Reports to the FBI from the primary service area which is the unincorporated areas of Hamilton County as well as the contract city of Lakesite with the city of Walden also included. Other municipalities within Hamilton County such as the City of Chattanooga have the primary responsibility to address crime within their city as well as the crime reporting duties all law enforcement agencies are responsible for.

Total Reportable Criminal Offenses by Year (National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS))

*Note: This graph is reported or detected criminal offenses by the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. This does not include all service calls or investigations of incidents which are determined not to be a crime. Example: Natural Deaths, Suicides, fire investigation determined not to be arson.



* Primary Service Population is the Unincorporated Areas of Hamilton County as well as the contract city of Lakesite as well as data from the city of Walden



*Population Data courtesy of the Chattanooga/Hamilton County Regional Planning Agency

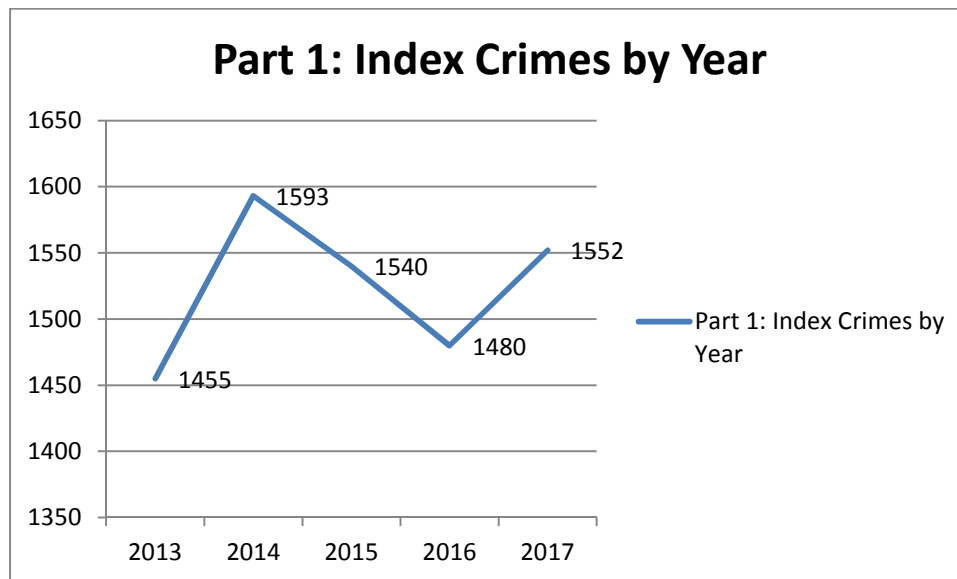
2017 Crime Index

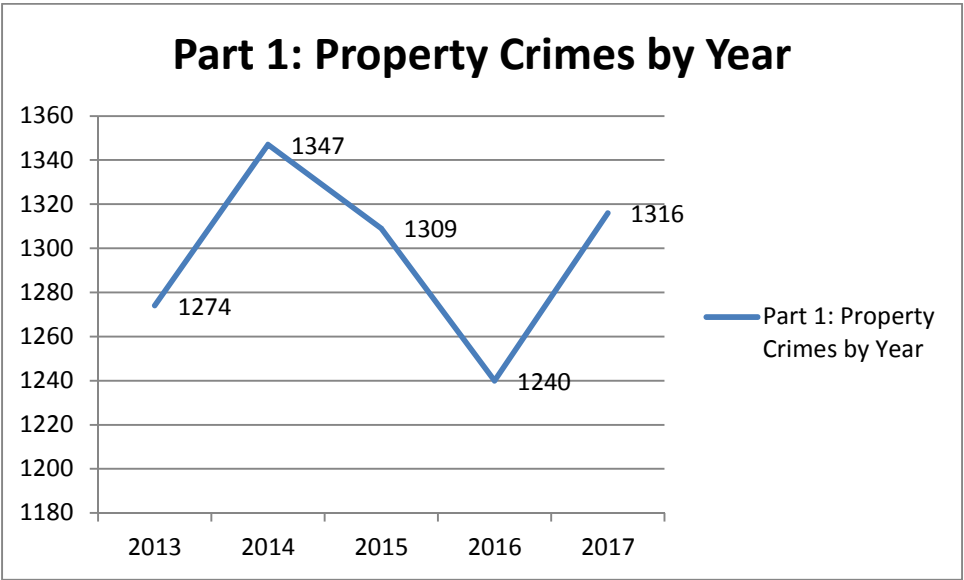
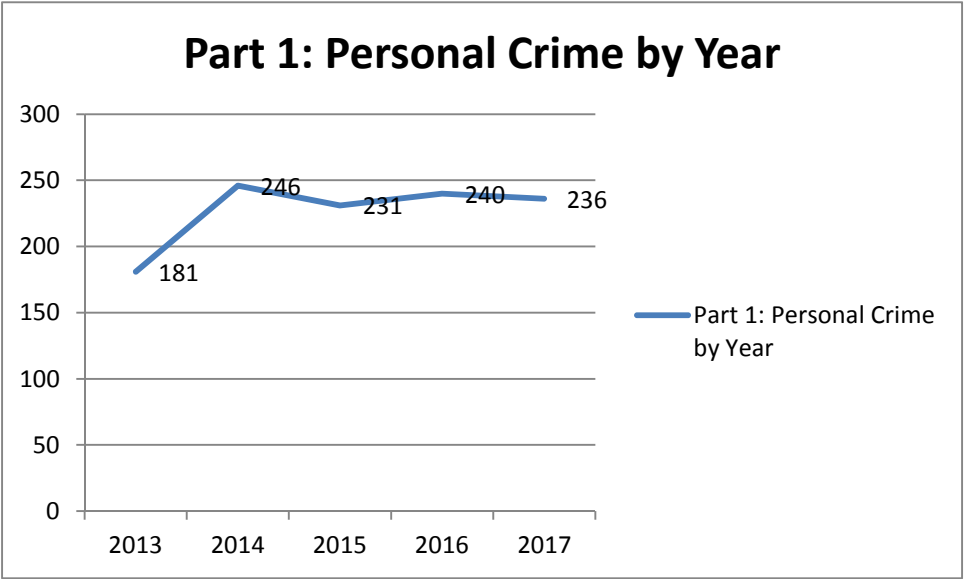
The Crime Index is composed of selected offenses used to gauge fluctuations in the overall volume and rate of crime reported to law enforcement. The offenses included are the violent crimes of Arson, murder, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault; and the property crimes of burglary, larceny, and auto theft. The Crime Index was developed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting program to standardize the way in which law enforcement agencies report crime statistics.

*Note: This graph is reported or detected criminal offenses by the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. These are reported offenses prior to complete investigation with some cases possibly being unfounded. This is reported crime by year for investigation.

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Uniform Crime Reporting Statistics, 2013-2017

Crime	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Murder 09A/B	1	1	1	3	0
Rape 11A	15	33	29	35	22
Robbery 120	9	16	14	17	13
Aggravated Assault 13A	152	188	174	175	196
Arson 200	4	8	13	10	5
Total Violent	181	246	231	240	236
Burglary 220	530	563	480	429	390
Auto Theft 240	127	154	156	179	203
Larceny 23H/D	617	630	673	632	723
Total Property	1274	1347	1309	1240	1316
Total Index	1455	1593	1540	1480	1552

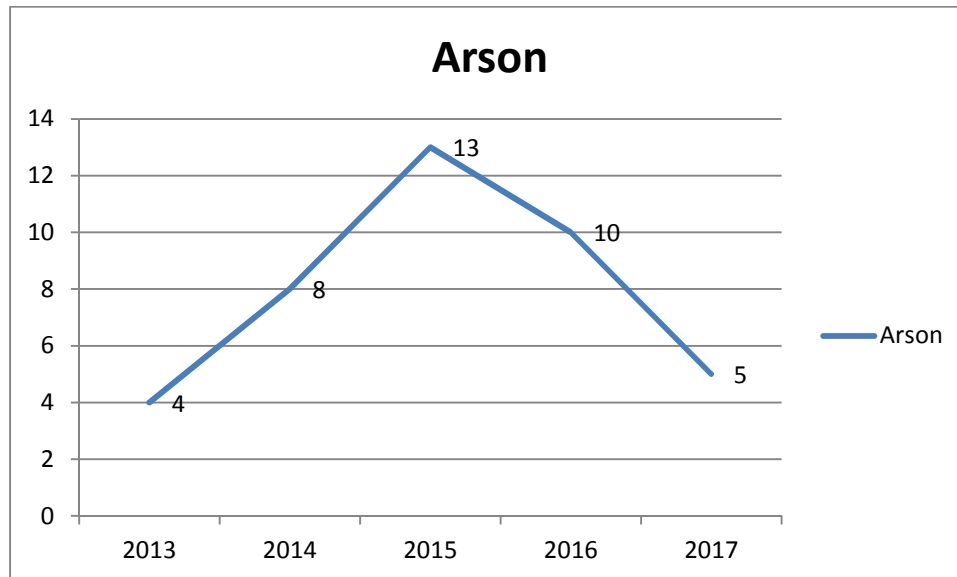




Violent Crimes and Definition:

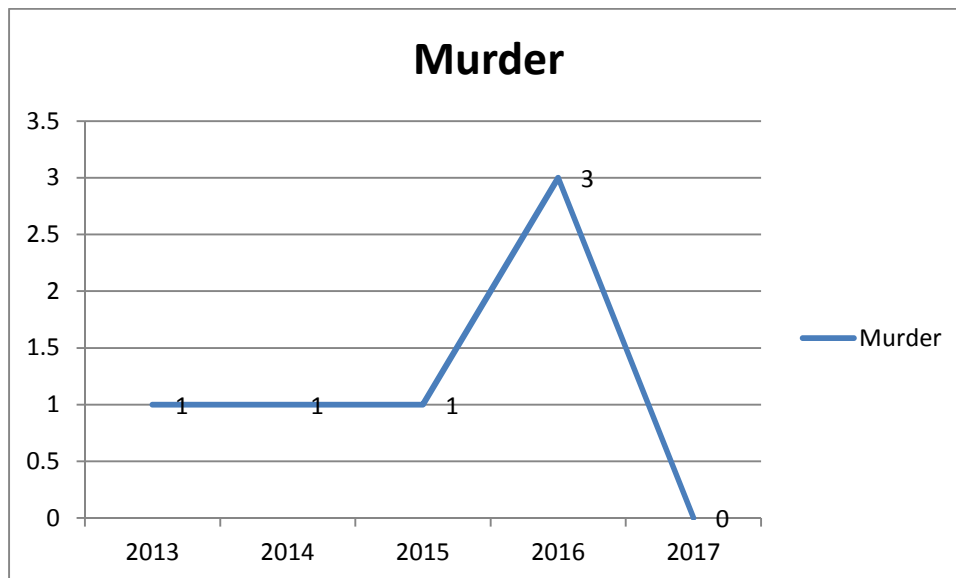
Arson

Definition: Arson is any willful or malicious burning or attempting to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.



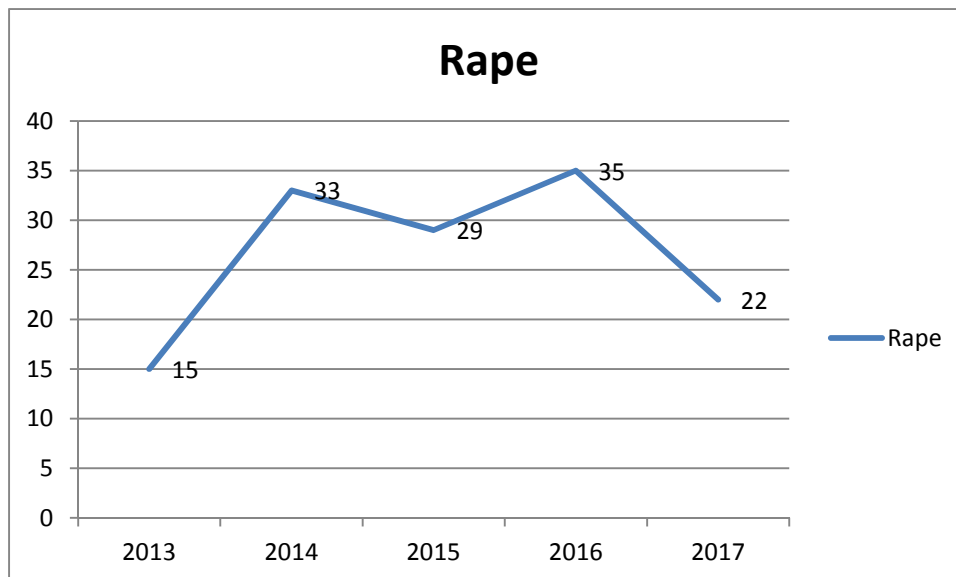
Murder

Definition: Murder and non-negligent manslaughter encompasses the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another. The classification of this offense, as for all other Crime Index Offenses, is based solely on police investigation as opposed to the determination of a court, medical examiner, coroner, jury, or other judicial body. Not included in the count for this offense classification are deaths caused by negligence, suicide, or accident; justifiable homicides; and attempts to murder or assaults with the intent to murder, which are counted as aggravated assaults.



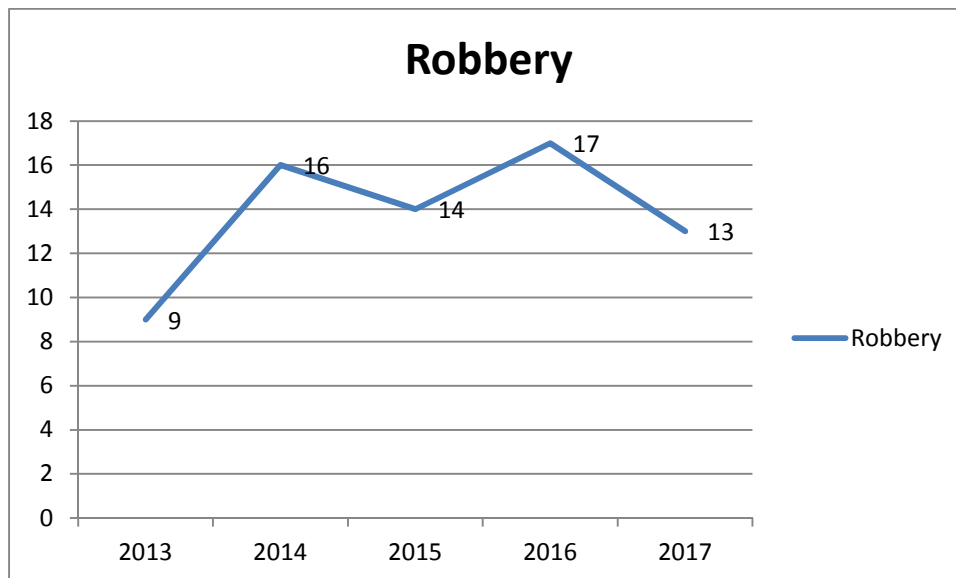
Rape

Definition: Sexual intercourse with a male or female, both forcibly and against that person's will, or non-forcibly but when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of temporary mental or physical incapacity, or because of youth. Assaults with intent to commit rape are included. Statutory rape (without force), incest, molestation, and other sex offenses are excluded.



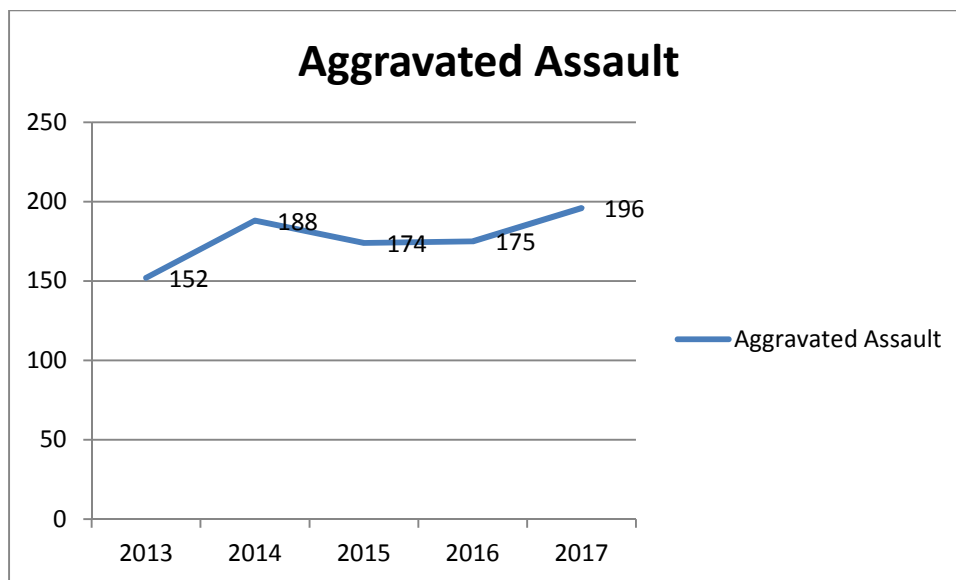
Robbery

Definition: Robbery is the taking or attempted taking of anything of value from another person by violence, threat of violence, or putting the victim in fear. Unlike larceny or theft, it involves a direct confrontation between the offender and victim. Incidents described as "muggings," "purse snatchings," and "hold-ups" are usually robberies.



Aggravated Assault

Definition: An attack by one person on another for the purpose of inflicting severe bodily injury. To be an “aggravated assault” as opposed to a “simple assault,” the crime must involve one of the following: 1) a weapon capable of causing death or severe injury (e.g., a gun, knife, or blunt object); 2) a method of assault capable of causing death or severe injury (e.g., pushing someone down the stairs); or 3) actual severe bodily injury (e.g., a punch that fractures the victim’s nose).

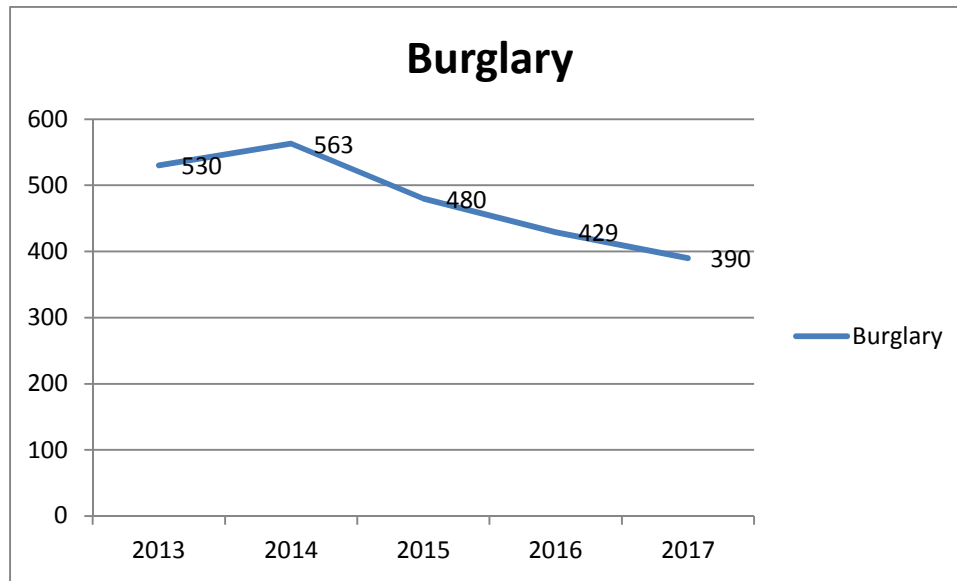


Property Crimes and Definitions:

Burglary

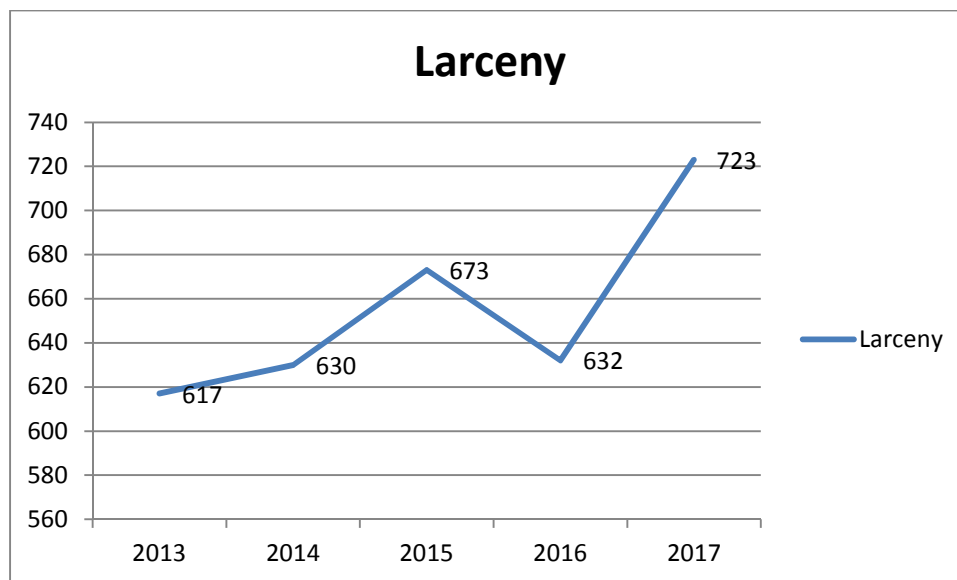
Definition: Burglary is the unlawful entry of a structure (residence, business, or other building) to commit a theft or another crime. Force (e.g., prying a door, breaking a window) is not required, but the entry

itself must be illegal. (Lawful entry to commit a theft would be coded as a larceny.) Automobile “burglaries” are also excluded (this crime has a larceny category). Attempts are included in the total.



Larceny

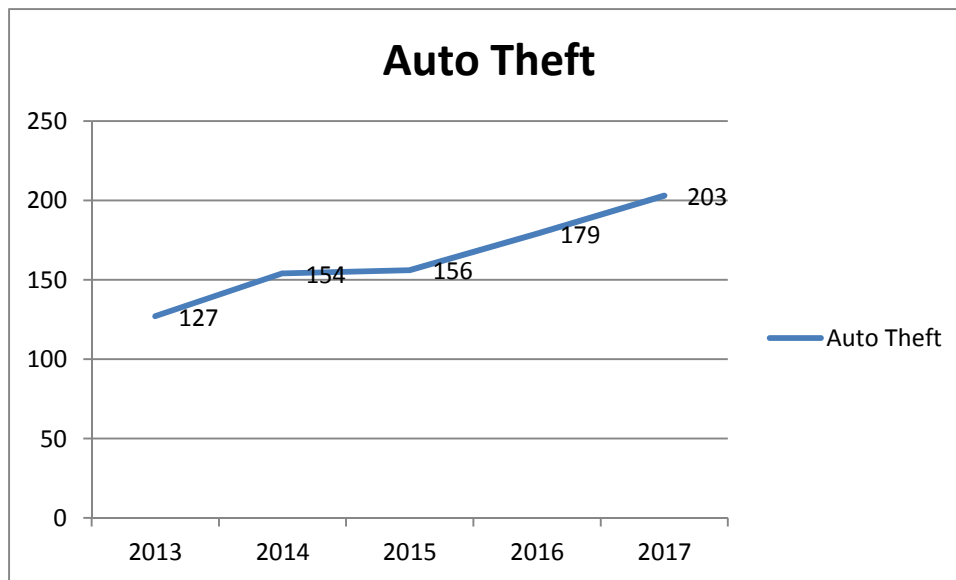
Definition: Larceny is the illegal taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of someone else’s property. It includes crimes such as shoplifting, pick-pocketing, thefts from vehicles, thefts of auto parts and accessories, bicycle thefts, and all other thefts in which no force, violence, fraud, or burglary occurs. The crime does not include embezzlement, “con” games, forgery, or bad checks, nor does it include auto theft, which is a separate offense.



Auto Theft

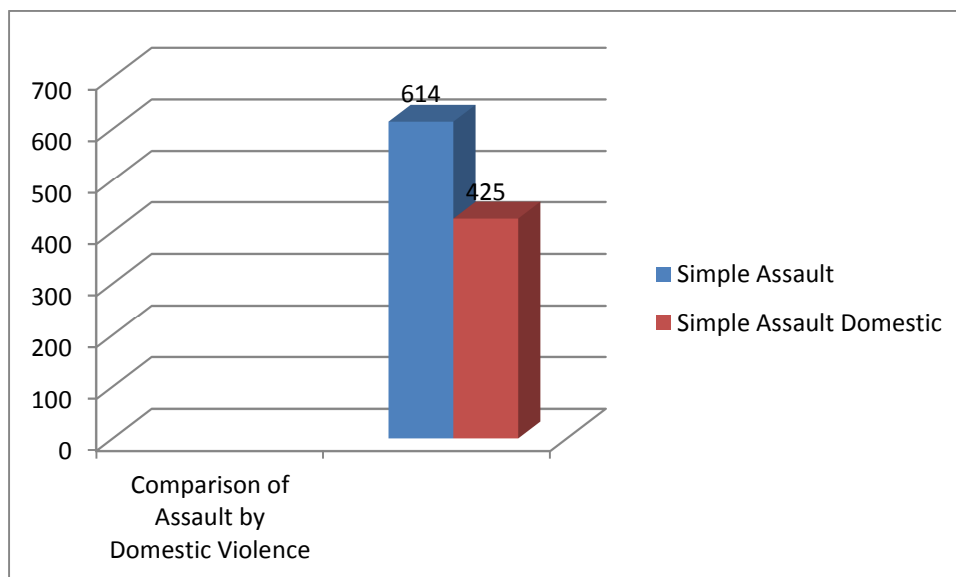
Definition: Auto theft is the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. The offense category includes theft of automobiles, trucks, buses, motorcycles, motor scooters, and snowmobiles. The definition

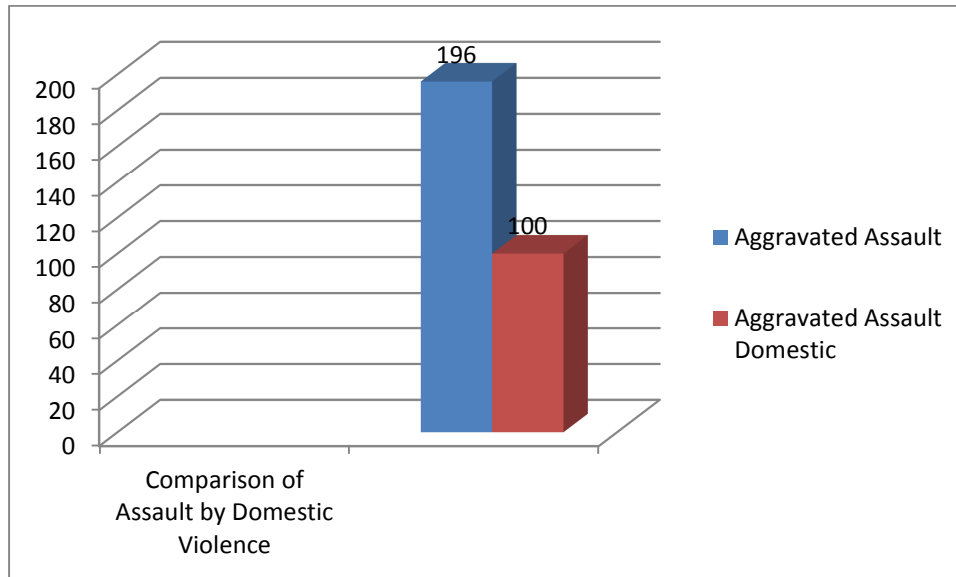
excludes the taking of a vehicle for temporary use by individuals with lawful access (e.g., a son taking his mother's car for the night).



Domestic Violence Assaults

(FBI) *National Incident-Based Reporting System* (NIBRS) contains detailed information on crimes reported to law enforcement, including the nature and types of specific offenses in the incident, characteristics of the victim(s) and offender(s), and characteristics of persons arrested in connection with the crime incident. Fortunately, NIBRS unlike the crime index not only reports crime but also provides further details about the crime allowing the tracking and reporting of domestic violence. Out of the total cases of aggravated assault and simple assault reported to the Sheriff's Office the following totals are those cases of assault which were domestic in nature.



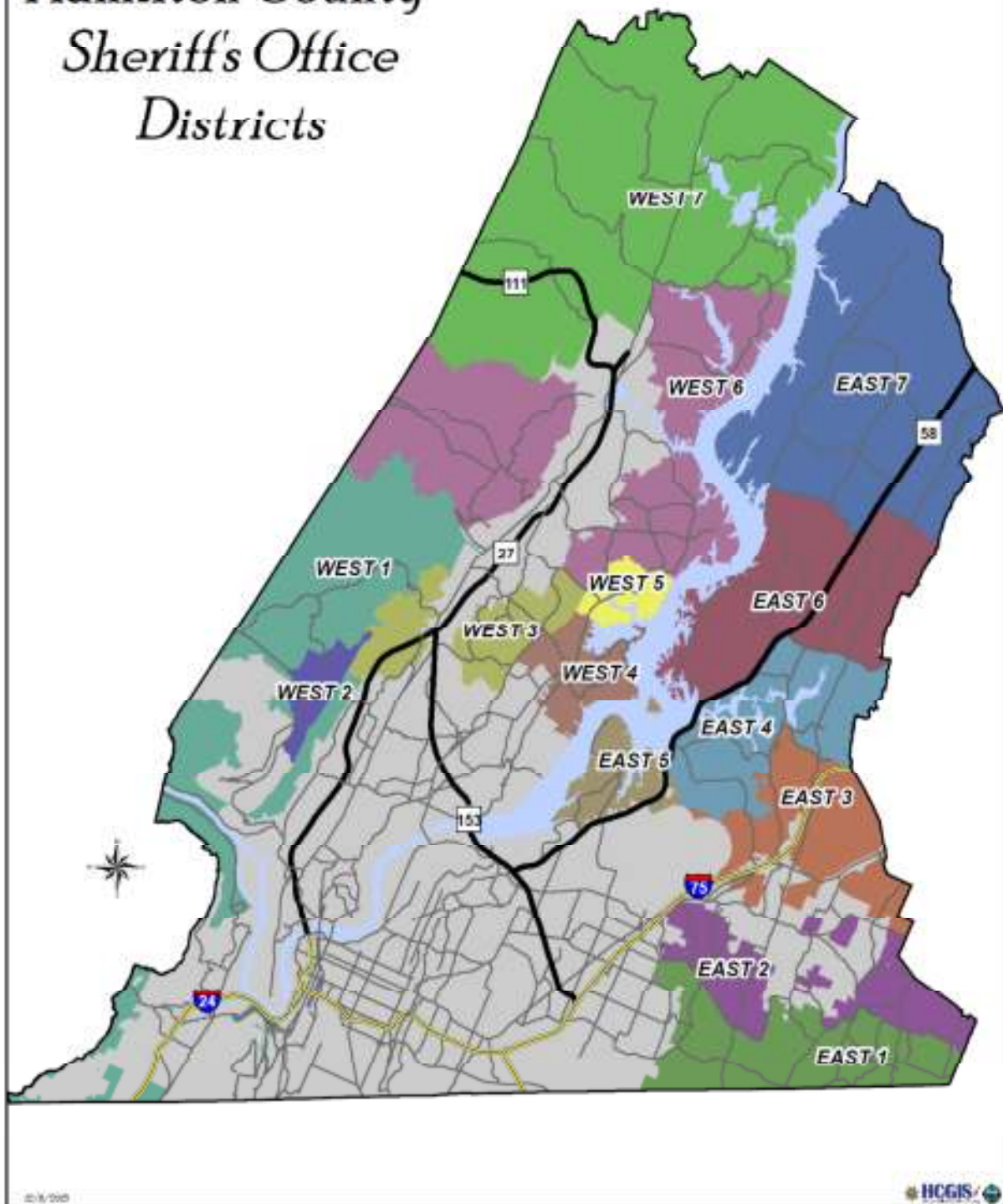


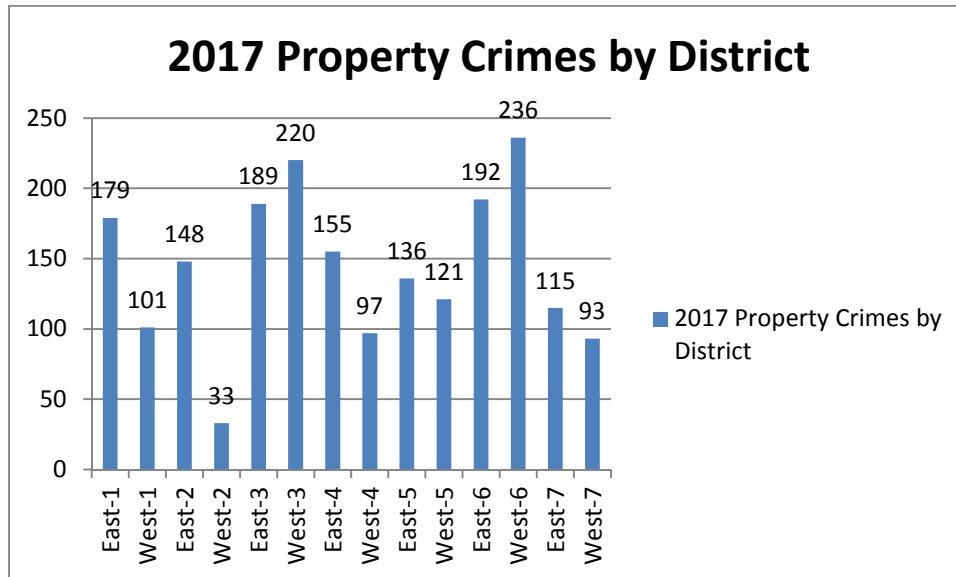
Crime by Jurisdictional Area

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office primary service areas are divided up into 14 unique districts and divided by the Tennessee River as illustrated in district map below. The following is a statistical breakdown of specific crimes by District. The (14) districts are as follows;

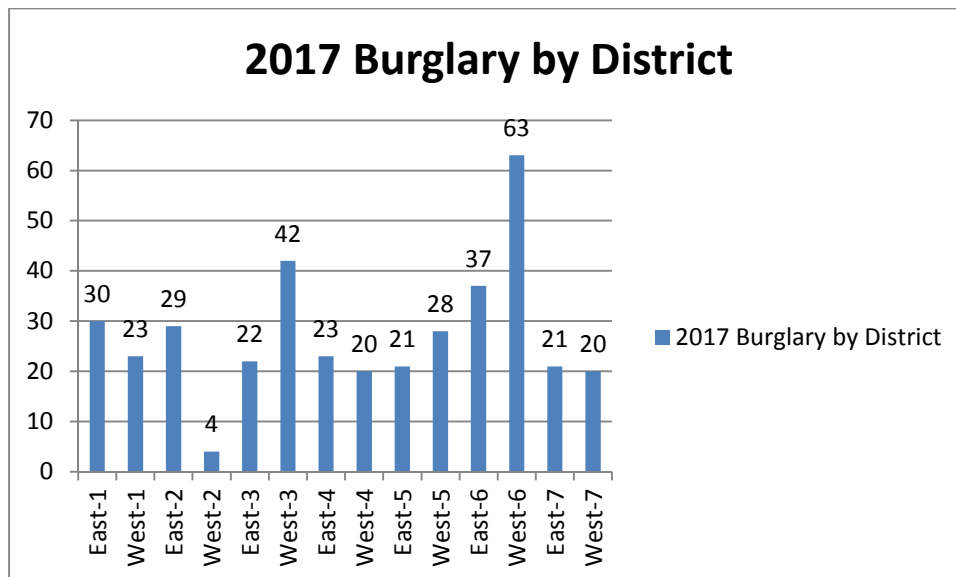
District	Description	District	Description
East-1	East Brainerd/Apison	West-1	Unc. Signal Mt./Tiftonia
East-2	Ooltewah/Apison	West-2	City of Walden
East-3	N. Harrison/Ooltewah	West-3	West Middle Valley
East-4	Harrison/Ooltewah	West-4	East Middle Valley
East-5	S. Harrison	West-5	City of Lakesite
East-6	Harrison Birchwood	West-6	Mowbray/Bakewell
East-7	Birchwood	West-7	Sale Creek

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Districts





*Does not include Fraud



Fraud

Fraud Offenses—(Except Counterfeiting/Forgery and Bad Checks) the intentional perversion of the truth for the purpose of inducing another person, or other entity, in reliance upon it to part with something of value or to surrender a legal right.

False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game—the intentional misrepresentation of existing fact or condition, or the use of some other deceptive scheme or device, to obtain money, goods, or other things of value.



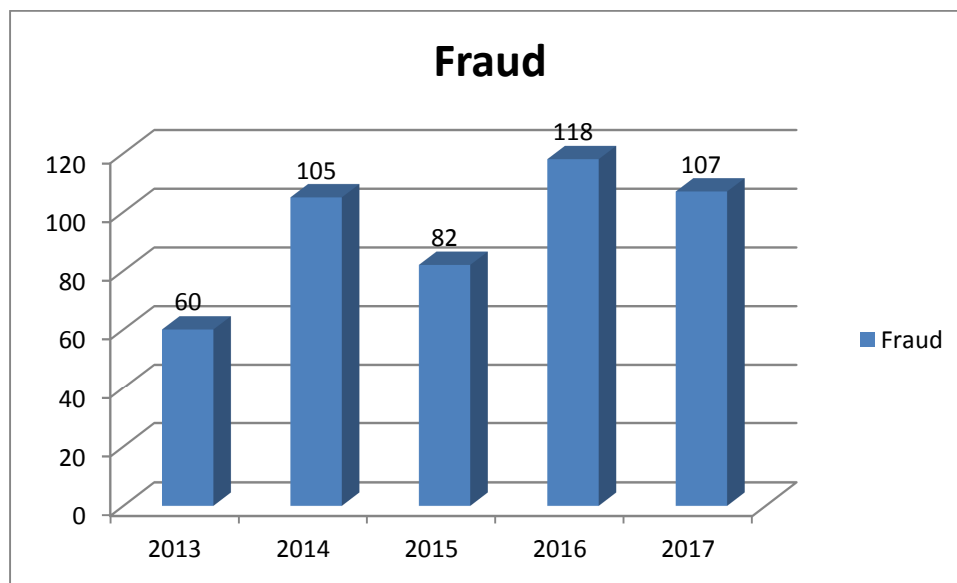
Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud—the unlawful use of a credit (or debit) card or automated teller machine for fraudulent purposes.

Impersonation—Falsely representing one's identity or position, and acting in the character or position thus unlawfully assumed, to deceive others and thereby gain a profit or advantage, enjoy some right or privilege, or subject another person or entity to an expense, charge, or

liability which would not have otherwise been incurred.

Welfare Fraud—the use of deceitful statements, practices, or devices to unlawfully obtain welfare benefits.

Wire Fraud—the use of an electric or electronic communications facility to intentionally transmit a false and/or deceptive message in furtherance of a fraudulent activity.



Protect Yourself Against Crime

Be aware of your surroundings. Try to avoid walking alone after dark. If you must walk alone at night, use well-lit roads with as much car traffic as possible. Keep an arm's length away from strangers and make eye contact with everyone you pass. If you think someone suspicious is approaching or following you, cross to the other side of the street and head for the nearest public place. Avoid walking with headphones on, as you may not be able to hear someone approach. Know which stores and other public places are open along your route and try to vary your route frequently. When parking at night, try to park in well-lit spots. When returning to your car, have your keys ready, and keep your doors locked when driving. At night, avoid public parks, vacant lots, and areas with excessive trees and bushes. Try to

avoid using ATMs late at night. Don't carry your purse loosely around your shoulder. Clutch it tightly under your arm or avoid carrying a purse and keep a wallet in your pocket instead. If you are robbed, obey the robber's demands. Keeping your cash in a separate money clip or pouch will allow you to hand it over without sacrificing your credit cards, identification, and personal papers. Try to memorize your robber's physical features, clothing, motor vehicle, and direction of flight. Call the police from the nearest available telephone.

Know the full name of each person you date, his/her occupation, and where she/he lives. Never invite a person whom you have met online, on the street, in a bar, or in another public place to be alone with you, if have been abused by, or are in fear of, your partner or spouse, get help. The problem usually becomes worse if it is not addressed. Report assault when it happens, even if you do not believe it to be "serious." Assaults that are not reported cannot be considered by police administrators when they make decisions about how to allocate manpower and funds. If there is a problem with a bar, a household, a school, or any other place where assaults are likely to happen, the police need to know about it. Do not allow yourself to be drawn into arguments about traffic or parking incidents. If another driver commits a violation or threatens you, take down his registration and report it to the police.

Preventing Auto Theft and Larcenies from Motor Vehicles



Always take your keys and lock your car. Park in well-lit areas or in attended lots. If you park in an attended lot, leave only the ignition/door key. Never leave your car running, even if you will only be gone for a minute. Take valuables with you when leaving your vehicle unattended. If you cannot, at least move them to the trunk or under the seat where they will not be seen. Leaving expensive items out in the open creates an easy target, attracting thieves that

may be casing the area. This is particularly important with GPS units, laptops, iPods, and cell phones. Always remove detachable GPS systems and their bases from dashboards and windshields.

Preventing Residential Burglary

Try "casing" your own home. Attempt to gain access when the doors and windows are locked and "secure." Have identification on you in case your neighbors call the police. Doors should be made from strong wood or metal and should be locked with a deadbolt. Install guards on windows that prevent them from being raised more than a few inches. If you live in an apartment building, make sure that security is enforced at the main door. Never prop open the door or let someone in behind you. When you go away, even for the evening, leave a light or two on (perhaps on a timer). Install motion sensor lights outside your home.

Preventing Larcenies from Buildings or Persons

Employees should be encouraged to question suspicious/unfamiliar people in office buildings, or to report them to the security department. Don't leave expensive personal property in health club lockers. Retail establishments should provide individual lockers, with locks, for employee property. Leaving it behind the counter or in a "back room" is an invitation for theft. Take care of your personal property while shopping and dining. Never leave it unattended. Do not hang purses on the back of your chair, as you will not be able to see someone lift it off. Report all thefts, no matter how minor, to the Sheriff's Office. Reporting will allow us to identify and attack patterns and series of crime.

Preventing Package Thefts

Request the delivery of package(s) via a signature to ensure the package will not be left on the front steps or foyer. Track your packages online, so you have a better idea of when they are scheduled to arrive. When the Postal Service delivers packages seven days a week during the holidays, request that your packages arrive on a weekend day, if you plan on being home. Have your packages delivered to your work address or to a neighbor or family member who is home, in the event that you are not.

Preventing Fraud



Keep your credit card numbers and the telephone numbers of your credit card companies at home and work. If your cards are stolen, call these numbers immediately and report the theft.

Never write your ATM card PIN number on the card or on a slip of paper in your wallet or purse. Do not give personal information over the phone, and be cautious when sending personal identifying information over the

internet. When someone comes to your door claiming to work for a utility company, always ask for official identification and call the company to make sure it is valid. Do not let "utility impostors" into your home. Learn to recognize potential fraud scenarios. Any of the following activities could involve a scam: Someone approaches you on the street claiming to have found money. Any circumstance in which you have to pay money in order to get money or a prize. You receive an unsolicited telephone call from someone offering a great deal on a piece of merchandise.

Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

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ADDENDUM III
INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS



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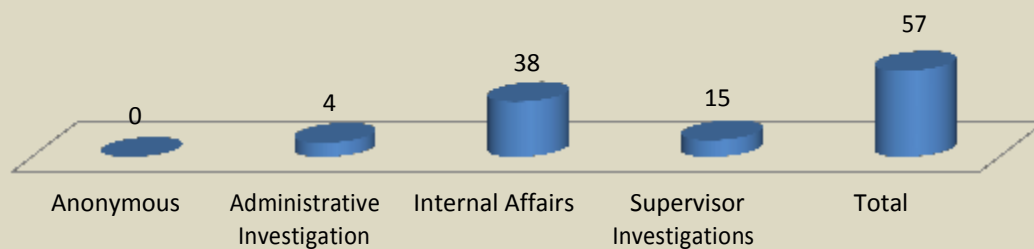
INTERNAL AFFAIRS STATISTICAL SUMMARY 2017

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office is required to file a statistical summary of Internal Affairs complaints and Administrative Investigations conducted annually.

TYPES OF INVESTIGATIONS

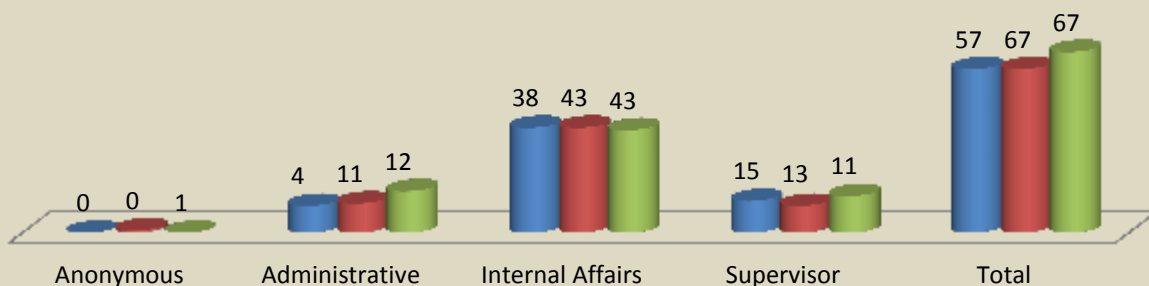
The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office conducted a total of fifty-seven (57) investigations concerning employee conduct during the year of 2017. Thirty-eight (38) of those investigations were formal Internal Affairs investigations with fifteen (15) being identified as Supervisor Investigations. Four (4) Administrative Investigations (Reviews) were also conducted concerning conduct. There were no anonymous complaints filed during this reporting period.

Types of Investigations



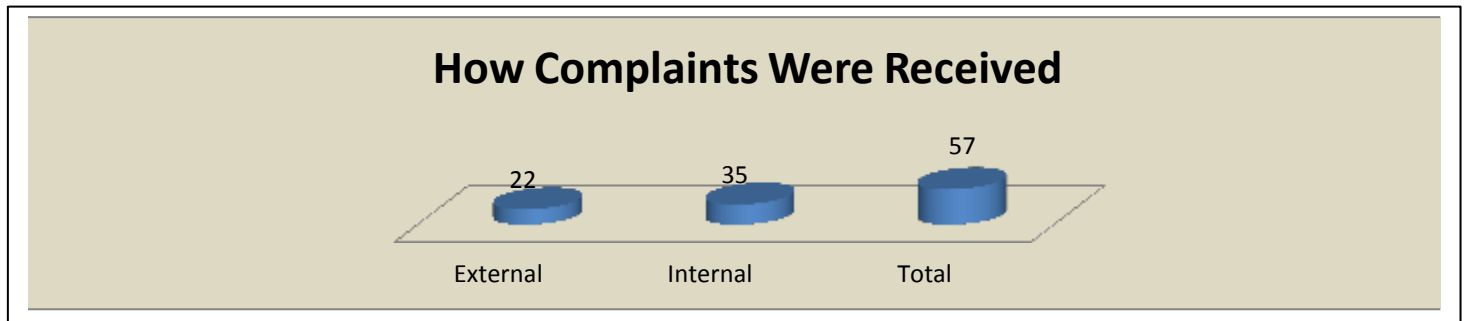
**Types of Investigations
3 Year Review**

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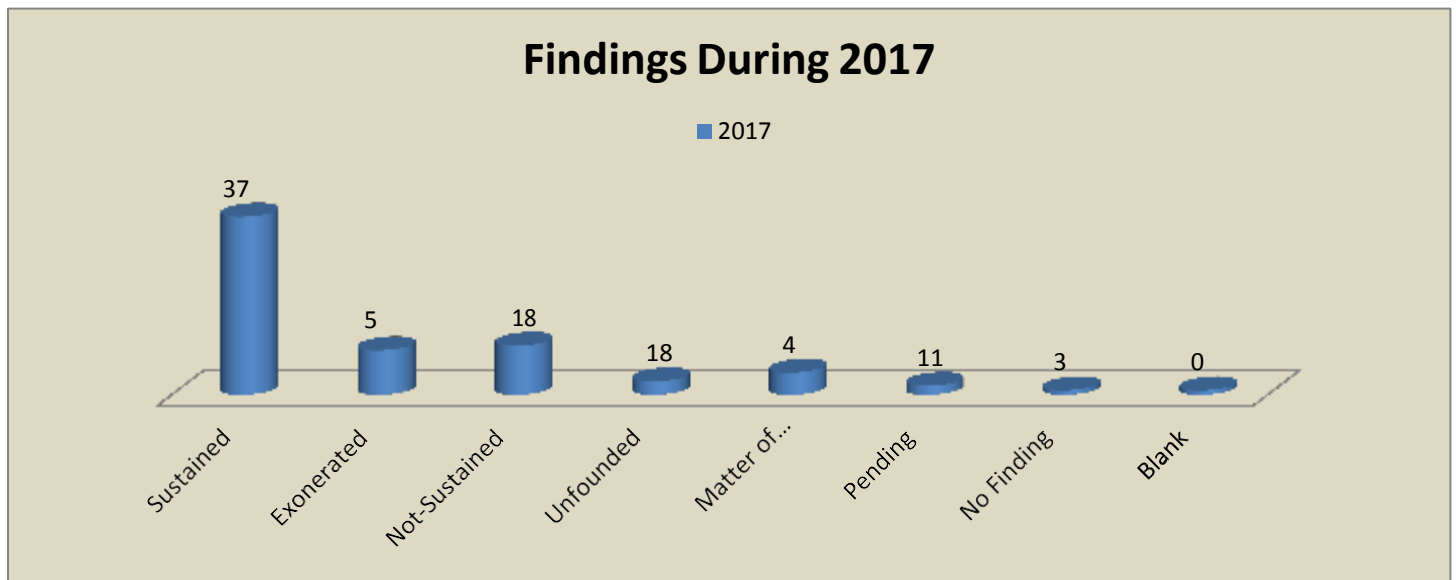
COMPLAINTS RECEIVED

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office received twenty-two (22) complaints from outside (external) the department, thirty-five (35) complaints within (Internal) the department with a total of fifty-seven (57) complaints for the reporting period of 2017.



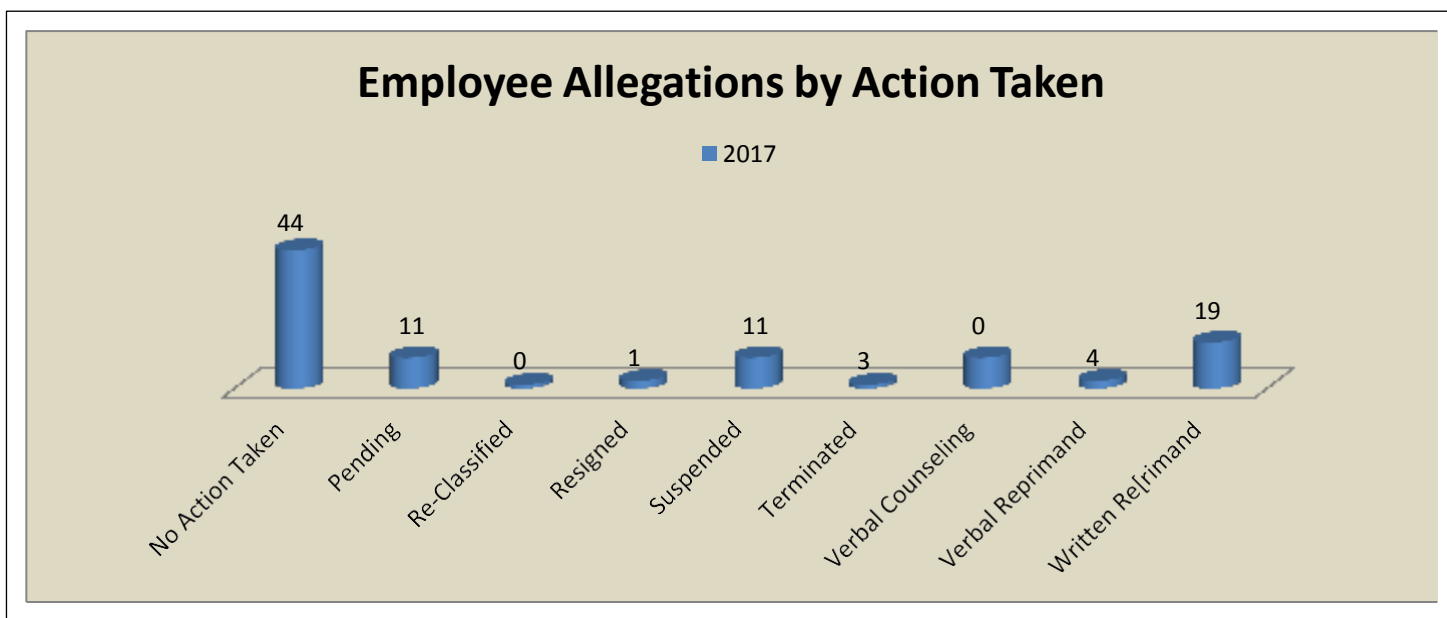
FINDINGS OF INVESTIGATIONS CONDUCTED

Of the fifty-seven (57) investigations involving eighty-nine (89) employees and four (4) inmate deaths, conducted during this reporting period, five (5) of the complaints were exonerated, four (4) matter of record, eighteen (18) not-sustained, eleven (11) pending investigations, thirty-seven (37) complaints were sustained and eighteen (18) unfounded.



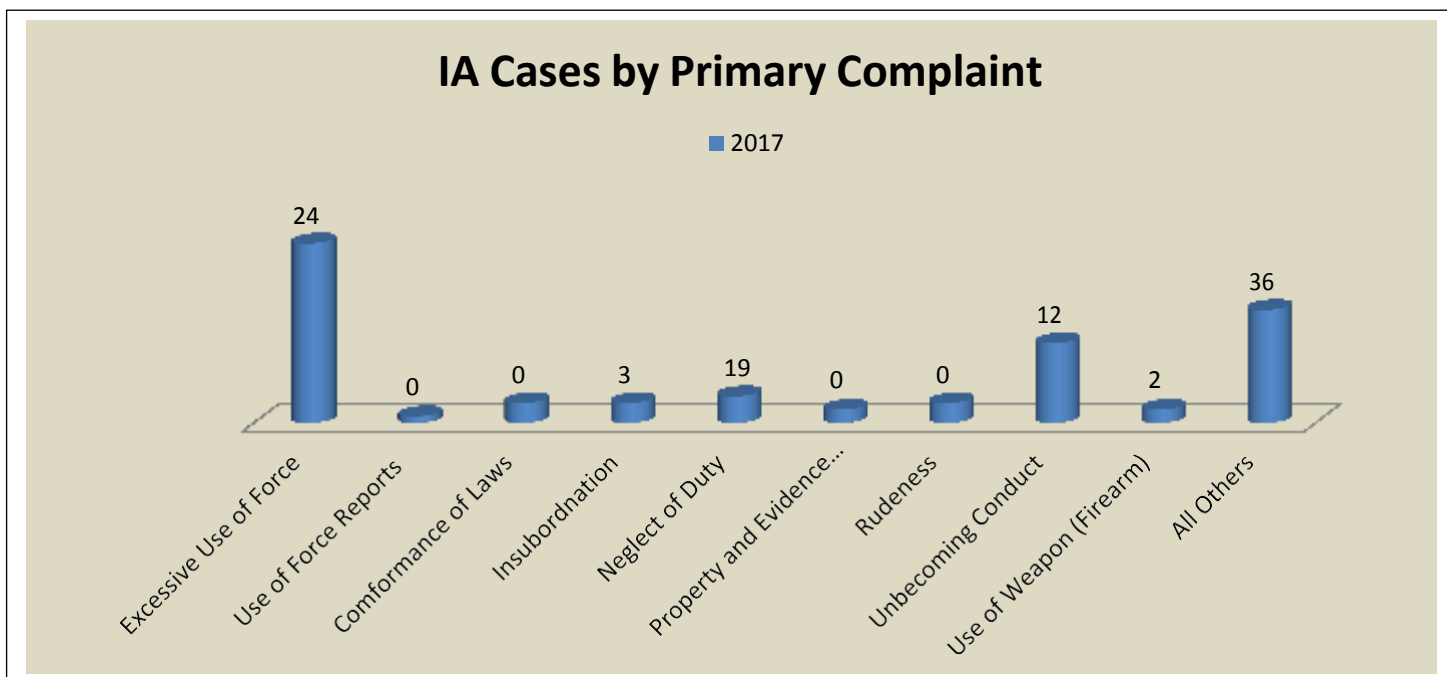
ACTION TAKEN

The Sheriff's Office took the following action concerning the fifty-seven (57) complaints reviewed, involving eighty-nine (89) employees. Forty-four (44) required no action, eleven (11) are pending action, One (1) employees resigned, eleven (11) employees were suspended, three (3) employee was terminated, four (4) employees received verbal counseling or verbal reprimand and nineteen (19) employees received written reprimands.



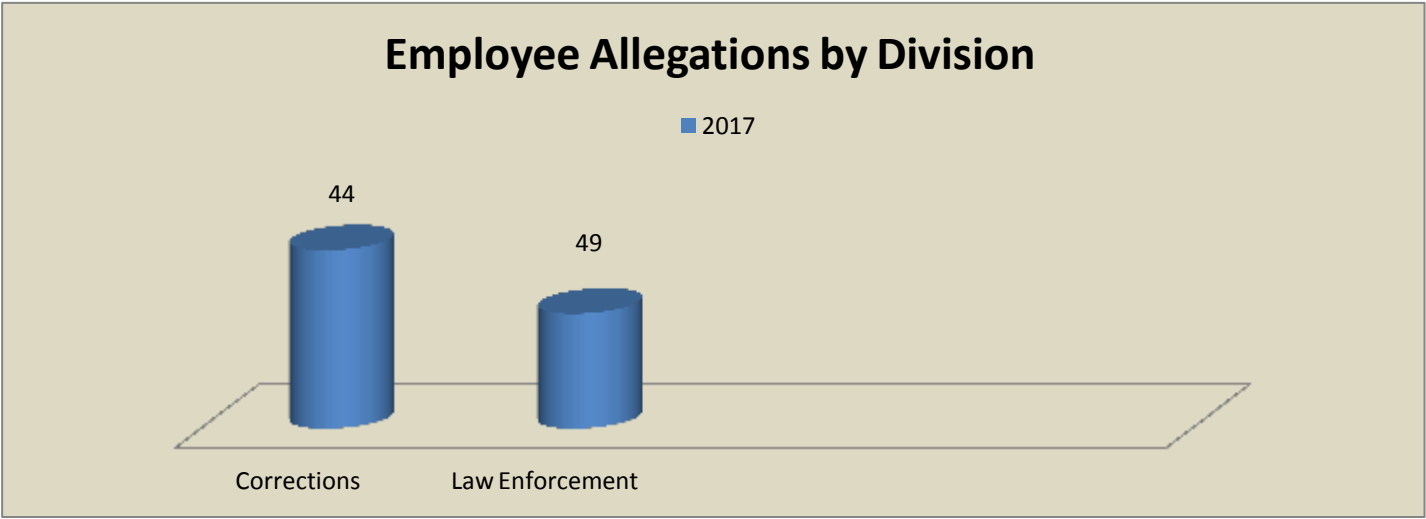
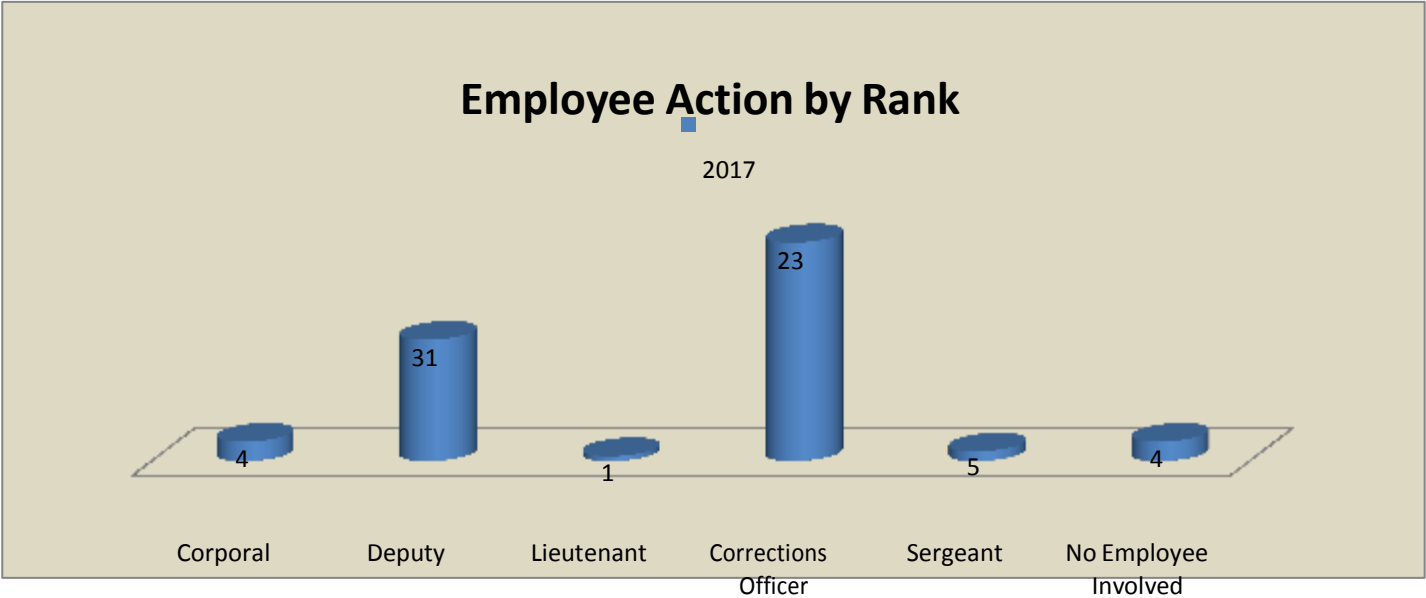
IA CASES BY PRIMARY COMPLAINT

The Sheriff's Office received complaints that referenced the following policy:



Rank of Involved Employees

Of the investigations conducted thirty-one (31) involved employees at the rank of deputy sheriff, twenty-three (23) at the rank of corrections officer, four (4) at the rank of corporal, one (1) at the rank of lieutenant and five (5) at the rank of sergeant.



Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

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ADDENDUM IV
GRAND JURY REPORT

REPORT OF THE REGULAR GRAND JURY

DECEMBER 2017

The Honorable Don Poole
Judge, Criminal Court, Division III
Hamilton County, Tennessee

Judge Poole:

Enlightening, civic duty, honor, interesting, learning experience, enjoyable, Eye- opener, and fascinating is how this Grand Jury described their service when asked to use just one word or phrase. They would all agree that it was an education into the criminal justice system and were all surprised by the high number of cases that come through the Grand Jury and most disturbing to them, the revolving door/repeat offender aspect of it.

It came as no surprise to me that many of them were impressed with the professionalism, knowledge and compassion shown by Law Enforcement as they presented their cases.

They were all glad to learn about Drug Court and Mental Health Court. After four months of service you quickly realize that substance abuse and mental health are at the root of most cases.

As part of their service, they visited the facilities of Silverdale CCA, Hamilton County Jail, Juvenile Detention and Courts.

This jury was charged with reporting on Hamilton County Jail and Juvenile Detention.

HAMILTON COUNTY JAIL

Below are some thoughts of a juror on their tour:

I found the Hamilton County Jail to be very adequate. The personnel are extremely professional and knowledgeable. Although the facility is dated, it appears that it has been properly maintained and updated as best it can be. It appears that the inmate's are treated with respect and are provided the basic necessities. If improvements are made in the future, the safety of the staff and inmates should be given top priority.

Tony Weaver; Keypoint Government Solutions- Special Investigations

JUVENILE COURTS AND DETENTION

Below are some thoughts of a juror on their tour:

I was impressed with the judge taking the amount of time he did to educate us and answer questions. I can tell he has a real compassion for his mission, even though he feels obvious disappointment for those that continue through the criminal justice system. The officer that conducted the tours was knowledgeable and professional. The teacher had an apparent care for the education of the children. The kitchen facility and especially the food preparer were very impressive, with a strong desire to make sure that the children receive nutritious food while in their care.

I was disappointed with the condition of the holding cells. A bright coat of paint would go a long way in enhancing the moods of these rooms, especially since the mission and purpose of juvenile detention is not "punishment".

I would recommend that funds be allocated for a current GED software program, as educated citizens will have a greater propensity to be productive vs. continuing a life "in the system".

Toby Downs; Underwriting Policies and Procedures, Unum

(NOTE: It has been stated in many of my reports that Mr. Weaver has requested many times when I have asked if he had a "wish list" that he needs the updated GED software.)

GRAND JURY EXPERIENCE

Grand Jury is truly a "crash course" education in the criminal justice system. This is further enhanced by the opportunities to meet with and hear from judges, ADA's and law enforcement officers. Foreperson DeAnna Anderson and ADA Bill West made the experience enjoyable, despite the sometimes disturbing nature of the cases we had to hear and provide indictments for. Both the foreperson and the ADA were very open to questions and discussion, while DeAnna kept us on task and on a schedule.

I am surprised that Grand Juror's are not vetted in any way. Understanding the purpose of the Grand Jury, this should be carefully approached. I believe vetting should be limited to scheduling/logistics and willingness to serve.

(NOTE: the jurors see firsthand my frustrations dealing with juror's that are selected and say they are willing to serve, but forget to add in there that there is an issue in their personal life that will cause some kind of conflict before the four month term ends. I do believe that we must go to vetting the juror's during the selection process.)

Toby Downs; Underwriting Policies and Procedures, Unum

During their term they heard 462 cases. They came together and took serious the charge, as well as the education they were given, and made the decisions they felt necessary in these cases.

**.REPORT OF THE CONCURRENT GRAND JURY
December 12, 2017**

PRESENTED TO

THE HONORABLE DON W. POOLE

JUDGE, CRIMINAL COURT

DIVISION III

HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

The members of the Concurrent Grand Jury consider it an honor and a privilege to serve the community and citizens of Hamilton County, TN. While most of us had entered this obligation with reservations. It has been interesting and eye opening to see and experience the Criminal Justice component of our community. The dedicated men and women of the court system, law enforcement and corrections have our full support, respect and gratitude. So much incredible work done by so many people.

As part of our responsibilities, this report will contain our thoughts, opinions, concerns and observations. Also included in our report is the mandatory reporting on the County Jail and Juvenile Detention Center, Silverdale Corrections Facility and Community Corrections. Most of the opinions, thoughts, and recommendations are coming from people that are experiencing these things for the first time. The individuals of our Concurrent Grand Jury are from various backgrounds who have come together to give different perspectives and listed below are what we feel as a team are the most important.

Grand Jury and General Recommendations

- We recommend that some kind of scheduling system be put into place for officers to come in to present their reports in a more efficient time frame. There are many cases that are ready to be presented yet the officers are not available to present them therefore it is backing up the court system. We also feel that the officer that was on scene and wrote up the report should be the officer to present the case. There are times when reports are read by another officer and if we in the grand jury have questions, they are either unanswered or we have to put the case to the side to call in the officer that wrote up the report.
- Some officers are hard to hear when they are presenting their case. We in the grand jury suggest that a microphone for the officers be

added and speakers in the back of the room so every detail in the case may be heard.

- We also recommend that the jurors chairs have wheels on them. Persons with back, leg, hip pain or problems have a hard time pushing these chairs without wheels to move away from the desk.
- Misdemeanor cases seem to clog the system and slow the whole court process. We feel that certain misdemeanor cases should not be allowed to be bound over to the grand jury such as light law, speeding, lane usage, failure to appeared. With these cases clogging the system it wastes the states time and money as well as overtaking the more serious cases waiting to be heard by the grand jury.

Hamilton County Courthouse

Hamilton County Courthouse and Grand Jury was an exceptional experience. All the staff, officers, judges, District Attorneys and Foreman welcomed us with open arms and were there for any questions we had. Although it was a great experience there were a few things that we seen that could have been better.

- Upon entering the courthouse the first thing you come to is security. One major concern was the number of people that come in and were able to bypass security altogether. While the security check only took a few minutes at most to get through those that were able to just skip through had no badge visible as to who they were or what they do there in the courthouse. The people bypassing the checkpoints were among lawyers, clerks, and other courthouse workers. As they would go around everyone and setting the metal detector off not once were they asked to stop or put their things bags, brief cases, purses or anything else through the scanner. From a security standpoint this is a major security breach and as much as we would like to believe that every working person is "safe" you can never be too careful.

- One other concern were the numerous times there were errors in the paperwork and paperwork exchange issues. While we understand there was a newer employee writing up the paperwork there were countless times that it would have the name correct but the wrong charges and report or vice versa. These errors cause us to have to forget everything that we heard while it was being presented and have to wait to hear it until it was typed up correctly which delays the court process.

Judges and Courtrooms

We had the opportunity to spend some time in the each criminal courtrooms and listen in on some cases. We were all very impressed with how each judge was very patient, compassionate and fair with each and every individual that came before them. Each judge made sure that every accused person understood their charges and their sentencing. We were also very impressed with the judge's desire to see each individual try to turn their life around ensuring a balance of compassion and accountability. We do although have a few comments and recommendations.

- While having the opportunity to sit in on some cases in the criminal courtrooms it seemed there was a lot of distraction with unrelated conversation, lawyers talking with clients and people coming in and out of the courtrooms.
- The Concurrent Grand Jury recommends that the judges should have to tour the jails periodically to evaluate conditions, especially with the overcrowding. This may better help with the decision for alternative sentencing such as probation, drug court or mental health court.
- Drug court and Mental Health court seem to be effective and working well and give the individuals the accountability, guidance and opportunity to turn their lives around. We do think there needs to be more resources for those individuals such as schooling, counseling,

employment and housing to get on the right track while working their way back into society.

- As far as mental health, Hamilton County needs another mental health facility other than Moccasin Bend Mental Institute. Moccasin Bend only has 150 beds to serve 52 counties in eastern Tennessee and therefore has an extremely long wait list. An overabundance of detainees have to be transported to other mental health hospitals which uses a lot of time, funds and labor to complete.

Our tours through the County Jail, Silverdale and the Juvenile Court and Corrections were eye opening for all of us and will stay with us forever.

Hamilton County Jail

- Some of the holding areas were overcrowded with inmates packed in a holding cell while nearby holding cells were vacant. This overcrowding of a cell could become a safety risk to inmates as well as the officers. Cramming men in a cell like a can of sardines per say, sleeping on the floor, basically on top of each other with no personal space can cause a great deal of agitation and therefore become a risk of inmate on inmate fights causing injury on inmates and officers.
- There is a great concern with the fifth and sixth floors where the temperature bordered on unhealthy. Inmates on both of these floors were fully dressed and wrapped tightly in their blankets shivering, not including the officers who were wearing jackets. Just the brief walkthrough we had taken through those floors, many of us had jackets on, had us so cold we were shivering and our hands, feet and faces were like ice. These conditions can cause illness which will cost more taxpayer money to treat these inmates. The jail itself is obsolete and not well purposed.

- The county jail in general was excessively dirty. Guard stations and intake area were extremely cluttered. Floors, walls, toilets and showers appeared to not have been cleaned in some time which is another health concern to inmates and officers.
- Surprisingly the kitchen along with storage room, floors, walls, ovens, refrigerators and vent hoods were very clean. We were able to try some of the dinner rolls that were made from scratch by inmate kitchen staff which were astonishingly good. We were impressed with how much of the food is made from scratch in the facility saving money on premade goods. The menus we were able to review implemented the food groups that were needed for healthy nutrition. Besides the main menu there were also alternative options for diabetics, certain religions etc.
- We were informed of one inmate in particular that had been in the county jail for over five years. This inmate continued postponing his trial to put off being sent to prison. A few examples of the ways he was postponing trial are as follows; at the beginning claiming he was mentally ill then after being placed in a mental facility he wrote to the judge that he did not have as bad of a mental illness as presumed. Then going on to firing two different lawyers the weeks of his trial stating they were not representing him how they should. There should be a mandatory cut off time where they have to continue on to trial. Inmates putting off their trials like this multiple times is costing Hamilton County taxpayers and keeping jails overcrowded.

Juvenile Detention Center

- During our tour through the Juvenile Detention Center many of us found it very depressing. Sleeping quarters were not clean, covered in gang slang that needed to be painted over.

- We were thoroughly impressed and enthused with the classroom for the juveniles to stay current in their school work and not fall behind in their studies.
- Many of us feel these juveniles need more counseling than what is being provided. A lot of them keep coming back because they feel safe there. They need food and shelter. While they have done something wrong to be arrested, most of them made a choice to commit a crime so they could come here. These children should be held accountable for the choices they made but the parents need to be looked at as well.
- We were deeply saddened by a story of a young boy eating in the cafeteria stated that it was the best meal he had had in a very long time. Also another story of an 11 year old boy. This young boy came to the gate around dinner time and was asking for food because he was hungry. After being turned away he went to a nearby business and busted out a window and waited there on the curb for police to arrive. After police arrived and transported him to the juvenile center he stated he did it because he was hungry and was told that since he was not an "inmate" they could not give him any food and he also wanted a warm place to feel safe. This could have been prevented if someone at least given him something to eat and sent him on his way or called someone to help him. As a community we are failing these younger generations by showing them we don't care. These parents of these children need to be held accountable for the neglect of their children. Our younger generations are joining gangs so they "can be taken care of" and is happening more and more everyday. We need to show these children we do care and help feed, clothe, teach and keep them safe.
- Those juveniles that commit these crimes need to be shown what can really happen if they continue down the path they are on. Many states have a scared straight program and something similar would

be beneficial in Hamilton County to show these juveniles jail, prison, or even death is not the road they want to take.

Silverdale Detention Center

The Concurrent Grand Jury spent half a day touring the Silverdale Detention Center. Mr. Chris Howard, warden and core civic employee, and Mr. Clarence Potts, assistant warden, led our tour through the facility.

- Upon first entering the facility it was clean and staff was very friendly. We learned that Silverdale is run by a for profit" company by the name of Core Civic, previously known as CCA.
- As we began our tour through the women's block we were met with a few female inmates walking in the halls and in and out of the library room without an officer. This was a great concern with the fact that they could easily do something they shouldn't and were right next to the entrance/exit of the facility.
- The women's cell block did not appear overcrowded. Most female inmates were just laying around or watching t.v. like it was a vacation spot. We are aware that they are not vacationing but feel as though they should be doing something somewhat productive; cleaning, reading, class, exercising etc.
- As we continued on with our tour we stopped at the classroom on the women's block and were surprised to see that there were 20+ inmates with one teacher and no officers. This was unbelievable since the number of inmates without an officer could easily take over the instructor and raises an enormous safety concern.
- Upon entering the men's cell block it appeared that there was special preparation and somewhat staged with how inmates were cleaning and the appearance of the cells and cell blocks.

- In all of the men's cell blocks there was an extreme amount of repairs and upgrades needed. Two of the cell blocks systems such as the control panels not were not working so each and every cell had to be opened and closed by key. This could be a safety hazard to not only inmates but the officers. Every officer having a key is a safety concern and security risk.
- The officer to inmate ratio on male side is 1 officer to 64 inmates and female 2 officers to 256 inmates. With the officers being so few to inmates we feel that the cell blocks could easily be taken over by inmates at any given time. Officer to inmate needs to be increased immediately.
- More classroom resources are needed and the education specialist is in agreement. Inmates are no longer able to get their GED while incarcerated due to no longer having a contract with Chattanooga State. The materials in the classroom are outdated and inmate's signing up for the classes is excessively decreasing. More resources are needed to help inmates prepare to return society and be successful and decrease the number of repeat offenders.
- More medical personnel is needed in the facility. Many inmates are putting in request for medical and never getting seen. Although these inmates have committed a crime they are still humans and have rights and should be treated as such.
- Many times throughout our tour of the facility we heard over and over that Core Civic is a for profit company. Hearing Mr. Howard continually comment and brag about being for profit and cut corners to be able to profit more is very concerning. We feel that our jails should NOT be run or overseen by a for profit company but rather run by Hamilton County just like our County Jail. Core Civic is not necessarily in seeing inmates return to society, they want to keep them detained since the more beds that are full the more money they

are making. Cutting corners such as maintenance, poor conditions and most concerning medical is an overall concern.

- We are flabbergasted by the way medical concerns have been put off leaving inmates suffering. Not giving medications for illness or medical diagnosis such as diabetes, no medical attention for broken bones, medical requests being denied and overlooked and some causing death is upsetting and a concern for everyone.
- Another main area in the facility needing upgrades or new construction is the intake area. This area is not only used for intake but also for those inmates being released and inmates being transported to court. Intake is a fairly small area and is easy for it to be overcrowded. While in the intake area the cells were completely full and corrections officers were moving quickly to get everything done and with the 14 of us, plus the warden and assistant warden on the tour, there was hardly any room left in the intake area.
- This facility is dangerously undermanned. It was brought up many times that they were understaffed but we never received a reason as to why. It was brought to our attention from a Core Civic employee that there is a high turnover rate and overtime is mandatory. With corrections officers working this mandatory overtime every day, due to not enough officers, raises the risk of those officers becoming more fatigued, less aware and burned out. Officers becoming more fatigued, less aware and burnout put all the staff and inmates into possible dangerous situations.
- While on jury duty we were presented a case on a former Core Civic employee, corrections office, smuggling contraband into Silverdale. She was terminated but during the case being read the officer stated that somehow Core Civic overlooked her prior record on her background check. This seems to be a high case of negligence on Core Civics part.

Community Corrections

Mrs. Valda Cowen, Director of Hamilton County's Community Corrections Program, came to the Grand Jury Room to give her presentation on the program. She provided us with a brief overview of the program and its alternative sentencing programs. While Mrs. Cowen gave her presentation it was obvious that she is knowledgeable, compassionate, and loved the program. Information she gave also included financial facts of the program, electronic monitoring, in house arrest and probation.

- We all as a whole feel that the Community Corrections program is well run and is working. The individuals in this program are held accountable for themselves, getting and keeping a job, continuing education and becoming the best person they can be.
- A plus side to this well run program is it helps to keep our jails from becoming so overcrowded with nonviolent inmates.
- One thing that we would like to see is some sort of rehabilitation housing for sex offenders.

In conclusion we would like to thank each judge who took the time to come down and explain their duties and answer any questions. Mr. Jerry Sloan for explaining each and every charge that came before us so that we could understand and for his wonderful and funny stories and jokes to lighten some of the somber cases we were presented. A very special thank you to our foreman Mr. Jimmy Anderson for his generosity, hospitality and making us feel like part of his family. Mr. Anderson greeted us every morning with a warm caring smile and a positive pep talk to get the day started.

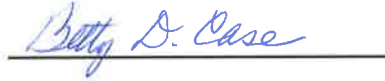
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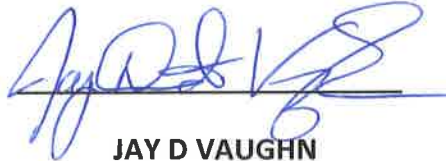
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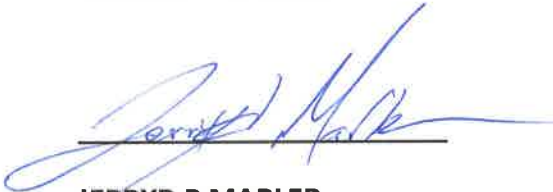
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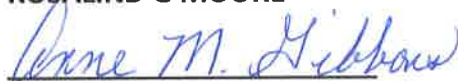
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