

# Monthly Report

## April 2018



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May 29, 2018

## ADMINISTRATION:

### Staffing:

The Police Department is operating below its authorized strength of 48 sworn Officers, and 6 fulltime civilian personnel. Staffing and deficiencies:

- 2 police officers
- 1 Lieutenant's position
- 1 administrative assistant (Records), has been reduced to a 29 hour part-time position.

### Injured Officers:

- Officer Brid continued to work on light duty since March 27, 2017, due to surgery he had on November 3, 2016; a result of an on duty accident he had on December 9, 2014. As of March 31, he was out of work for 96 days and on light duty for 255 days.
- Officer Jean-Baptiste was placed on administrative leave March 6, 2017, due to a complaint requiring an investigation. As of March 31, he was out of work for 206 days.

### Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

- A civilian dispatcher resigned his employment with the police department. As per union rules the job was posted and a part time parking enforcement officer, Katrina Guevara, took the full time dispatching job. That created a part time civilian employee position open and again it was posted per union rules with no interest. A boro resident, Kimberly Vasquez, has been hired as a part time parking enforcement officer.

## CID Monthly Report

### A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On April 2, 2018, detectives began investigating the theft of \$500.00 cash from three men who were talking in the Quick Chek parking lot. The men reported to police that they were involved in a conversation over rent money when a Hispanic male suddenly appeared, ran up to them and grabbed the \$500.00 and fled to a nearby parked vehicle. The three men attempted to stop the suspect and one of the males was nearly run over by the suspect as he reversed his vehicle and fled the parking lot. Detective's retrieved video footage from surrounding business's and were able to identify the license plate on the fleeing vehicle. Detectives later located the suspect and brought him to CID for questioning. The suspect confessed to detectives in a post Miranda statement admitting

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his guilt and was subsequently charged with 3<sup>rd</sup> degree theft and was lodged in the county jail on a warrant.

On April 17, 2018 police received a 911 call regarding a loud dispute between several people at the Howard Johnson Motel which involved a handgun. All available police officers and detectives responded immediately to the area to assist. Officers alertly observed a fleeing female discard an item as she attempted to leave the area on foot. The female was detained by police and the object she discarded was discovered to be a handgun (22. Caliber revolver). Detectives interviewed numerous involved persons and witnesses in CID attempting to unravel the dispute. Additional detectives simultaneously applied for a Superior Court search warrant for the hotel room, which was secured by officers. The case was eventually screened with the Somerset County Prosecutors office and a female North Plainfield resident was charged with: 2<sup>nd</sup> degree possession of a firearm, 3<sup>rd</sup> degree criminal restraint, 4<sup>th</sup> degree possession of a defaced firearm, 2<sup>nd</sup> degree possession of a firearm without a carrying permit, paraphernalia and assault. The defendant was lodged in the Somerset County jail on a warrant.

On April 26, 2018 a female victim reported to police that she had been physically assaulted and threatened with a firearm by the father of her child during a domestic dispute. The female said that the father of her child had been so enraged that he fired a bullet through a television set in their bedroom. Detectives learned that the suspect was on parole for murder and quickly applied for a Superior Court search warrant for the premises, vehicles and yard. Detectives and patrol officers responded to the home armed with the search warrant. The suspect had fled the home; however a methodical search of the property produced a television set with a bullet hole as well as a loaded 9mm handgun that had been reported stolen from the state of Ohio. The victim was protected and a loaded stolen gun was taken off the street as a result of the investigation. The suspect is presently charged with: 1<sup>st</sup> degree unlawful possession of a handgun with a prior murder charge, 2<sup>nd</sup> degree possession of a handgun, 2<sup>nd</sup> degree possession of a handgun with prior aggravated assault charge, 4<sup>th</sup> degree aggravated assault, and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree receiving stolen property. The suspect is presently wanted by police and is believed to have fled the area.

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**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:**

**A comparison of Adult incident reports:**

	Month	YTD
Investigated	58	246
Closed	29	140
Active	7	31
Suspended	12	83
Unfounded	3	6
Forwarded to SCPO	7	36

**A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:**

	Month	YTD
Investigated	19	64
Closed	12	53
Active	7	9
Suspended	0	2
Unfounded	0	0
Forwarded to other Agencies	16	37

Community Outreach

The Community Policing unit made twenty one (21) calls to the senior citizens enrolled in the Good Morning program, and sent out sixty two (62) first time false alarm activation notices. Four (4) false alarm warnings were also given out. Detective Domizi attended De-escalation & Bias crime reporting training as well as Cultural diversity training. Det. Domizi attended the North Plainfield Business Association meeting on April 24, 2018 as well as the North Plainfield Community Health Fair on April 26, 2018.

Narcotics Strike Force

During the month of March the Narcotics Strike Force conducted various controlled buys in Bound Brook. Undercover buys were completed in Bound Brook (cocaine), Branchburg (Edible marijuana), and Edison (heroin). The Strike Force executed "RIPS" in Somerville (Fairview Ave) and Franklin (JFK Boulevard). Search warrants were executed in Hillsborough after a weapons investigation and at Wendy's in Bridgewater after a cocaine investigation. The team conducted 14 hours of surveillance on Jennings Lane in North Plainfield on an ongoing investigation. One male subject was arrested for CDS as a result of this investigation. Ofc. Dow is attending mandatory TNT Training from April 25, 2018 through April 30, 2018. This training focuses on surveillance of suspects, building and room clearing and organizing "ops" plans.

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## Other Matters

Detectives attended mandatory agency training on both April 9<sup>th</sup> and April 13<sup>th</sup>. On April 17, 2018 detectives also attended the Middlesex County Fire Academy for training on cultural diversity, bias crime and de-escalation tactics. Det. Segeda taught NPPD officers OC tactics twice in April. Det. Segeda was activated by the SCPO Dive Team on April 28, 2018 for a call out in Bedminster NJ and assisted in the recovery of a body. The male victim fell from a kayak and drowned in the small pond located on a property.

Detectives investigated five licensing applications during the month of April. The licenses investigated were applications made for taxi, limousine, vendor and various sidewalk cafes. Lt. McKay completed the annual mandatory annual registration of two Megan's law offenders. Detectives worked closely with the US Postal Police in several mailbox thefts. This investigation resulted in numerous North Plainfield postal boxes being replaced with new tamper resistant boxes.

## Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Det. Mazza appeared at Grand Jury on April 11, 2018 in the matter of State vs Smith. Sgt. Vonspreckelsen appeared in Grand Jury on April 18, 2018 in the matter of State v Saldano. Marion Irving was sentenced to 10 years in state prison after being convicted for a robbery that was investigated in 2017. Randolph Anderson was ordered to pay \$1000.00 restitution by the Honorable Judge Reed. Shakeeda Ross was ordered to pay \$1625.00 in restitution by the Honorable Judge Tobey. Detectives recovered stolen property (school computer) in April from a prior residential burglary investigation that began in 2017.

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### PATROL DIVISION: MONTHLY REPORT APRIL 2018

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	15,576	60,885
Miles on unmarked patrol	905	3,964
Total miles on patrol	16,481	64,849

### Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	4	12
Moving Hazardous Violation	59	198
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	112	478
Ordinance Violation	60	70
Parking Violation	177	591

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Seatbelt	12	37
Radar	8	43
Refusal Breath Test	1	5
Child Restraints	2	14
Reckless Driving	2	6
Cell Phone	46	53
Careless Driving	19	73
Suspended License	29	119
Written Warnings	313	1604
Totals	844	3303

Radar Posts

STREET	TIME SPENT
Clinton Avenue	29 Hours
Farragut Road	2 Hours
Greenbrook Road	10 Hours
Grove Street	27 Hours
Leland Avenue	7 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	9 Hours
Norwood Avenue	5 Hours
Pearl Street	1 Hour
Route 22	15 Hours
Somerset Street	26 Hours
Warfield Road	6 Hours
Watchung Avenue	13 Hours
West End Avenue	7 Hours
Willow Avenue	1 Hours
Radar Posts Highlighted	158 Hours
Total Radar Posts	178
Total Radar Hours	226

School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	18.5 Hours
Somerset School	8.5 Hours
Stonybrook School	13.5 Hours
West End School	16 Hours
High School	21 Hours
Charter School	6.5 Hours

Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Leland Ave.	04/01/18-04/30/18
Brook Ave.	04/01/18-04/30/18
Parkview Ave.	04/01/18-04/30/18
Jefferson Ave.	04/01/18-04/30/18

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### Miscellaneous Information:

- We responded to 101 Rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 128 building or premise checks.
- We investigated 62 General alarms.
- We made 405 Motor Vehicle Stops.

### Parking Enforcement Report:

Tickets:

	Title 39		Meter Related		Total	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
Totals	195	789	217	976	412	1,765

Meters		Permits		Total Revenue	
Monthly	YTD	Monthly	YTD	Monthly	YTD
13,438.31	39,490.71	155.00	5145.00	13,593.31	44,635.71

### Monthly Accident Totals April 2018

**Accidents for the Month: 66**

#### Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	3
Hazardous	17	Non Hazardous	10
Alcohol Related	0		

#### Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable	26	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	4
Boro Streets- Reportable	19	Boro St Non-Reportable	4
Private Property-Reportable	10	Private Prop Non-Reportable	3
Total Reportable Accidents	55	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	11

#### Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	8
Persons Injured	8
Fatal Accidents	0

**Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 294**

#### Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	4
Hazardous	70	Non Hazardous	29

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Alcohol 0

### Breakdown of Reportable and Non-Reportable

Rt 22-Reportable	93	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	21
Boro Streets- Reportable	116	Boro St Non-Reportable	18
Private Property-Reportable	32	Private Prop Non-Reportable	14
<b>Total Reportable Accidents</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>Total Non-Reportable</b>	<b>53</b>

### Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	26
Persons Injured	35
Fatal Accidents	0

### Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic covered 10 crossing posts
- Traffic cover 28 hours as court Officer.
- Sgt. Kardos assisted 2 residents with proper child seat installation.
- Traffic assisted Borough Engineer along Somerset St. while doing manhole inspection.
- Conducted follow up on one abandon vehicle.
- Sgt. Kardos attended to State Traffic Officers meeting.
- Traffic distributed the Udrive, Utext, Upay grant hours and filled paperwork with county.

### Service Division

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$1,041.35	\$2,427.75
Calls for Service/Responses	2,424	9,358
Discovery Requests	21	65
Report Requests	347	1,066
Pieces of Evidence/ Property	56	168

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	0
Rape	0	2
Robbery	0	1
Assault, Agg:	1	2
Assault Simple	17	51
Burglary	3	12
Larceny	17	77



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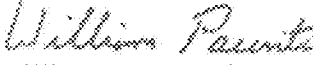
M.V. Theft	0	4
Arson	0	0
Domestic Violence	32	72
Bias Incidents	0	0

Monthly Arrest Analysis

	Month		YTD	
	Adult/Juv	Adult/Juv	Adult/Juv	Adult/Juv
Murder	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	1	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	1	0	3	0
Burglary	0	0	2	0
Larceny/Theft	3	1	3	1
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	8	1	19	1
Arson	0	0	0	0
Forgery	0	0	1	0
Fraud	2	0	4	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	0	0	2	0
Criminal Mischief	0	0	1	0
Weapons	1	0	2	1
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0
Violation of Drug Laws	6	0	49	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	0	0
Driving Under the Influence	4	0	12	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	1	0	4	2
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	0
All Other Offenses	12	0	43	0
<b>Total UCR Arrests for Month</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>5</b>
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	<b>36</b>	0	<b>152</b>	0
<b>Grand Total Arrests for Month</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>5</b>

Month YTD

- 2 Juvenile Arrest for the Month

Respectfully submitted,  
  
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