

# Monthly Report

## September 2018



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November 2, 2018

## ADMINISTRATION:

### Staffing:

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

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

### Injured Officers:

- Officer Jean-Baptiste was placed on administrative leave March 6, 2017, due to a complaint requiring an investigation. As of September 30, he was out of work for 314 days.
- Officer Francis Steinhauser was injured during the course of a psychiatric evaluation call and was put on light duty on May 18, 2018. As of September 30, he has been out of work for 84 days.

### Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

- There were no promotions, hires or retirements during September of 2018.

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### A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On September 7, 2018 at approximately 3:00 AM a North Plainfield resident was arrested and charged with a commercial burglary he had just committed in Green Brook NJ. North Plainfield had been hit with a recent rash of commercial burglaries throughout town, which all had the same (MO) modus operandi. Detectives gathered a large amount of physical evidence, which included numerous residential and business surveillance videos of a white vehicle and a male suspect. Police quickly identified a suspect and were in the process of obtaining search and arrest warrants on September 1, 2018. A search warrant was executed on September 7, 2018 at the suspect's Greenbrook Road residence where police located evidence linking the suspect to numerous commercial burglaries in North Plainfield, Warren and South Plainfield. The suspect has been charged with five (5) commercial burglaries in North Plainfield and is believed to have been responsible for approximately fifteen burglaries which spanned three counties. The suspect remains incarcerated in the Somerset County jail pending a hearing and ongoing investigation.

On September 14, 2018 at approximately 7:17 AM a resident of Parkview Ave who reported their car tires slashed by an unknown person during the overnight hours

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contacted police. The caller had been the victim of numerous acts of similar vandalism, which began in June 2018. In each instance, the suspect would strike at night slashing the victim's car tires time and time again. Detectives utilized covert surveillance techniques in an effort to thwart the vandalism and identify the suspect. The efforts of police paid off on September 14, 2018 as the surveillance video was checked and a suspect was positively identified. The suspect provided detectives with a post Miranda confession admitting to the vandalism. The suspect was charged with criminal mischief and is presently awaiting trial on several charges.

On September 24, 2018 at approximately 9:50 PM police were called to a domestic dispute on Grove Street involving a man and woman. The female alleged that the male suspect had pulled out a handgun and threatened her with the weapon during the dispute. Police obtained a domestic violence search warrant and responded back to the location to investigate further. Police searched the vehicle and located a fully loaded 40 caliber handgun in the suspect's vehicle. The suspect was arrested and charged with 2<sup>nd</sup> degree unlawful possession of a weapon and was lodged in the Somerset County Jail awaiting a hearing.

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### CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:

#### A comparison of Adult incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	58	663
Closed	25	392
Active	14	27
Suspended	19	244
Unfounded	8	30
Forwarded to SCPO	3	64

#### A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	18	146
Closed	16	140
Active	1	2
Suspended	1	4
Unfounded	1	0
Forwarded to other Agencies	13	99

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## Community Outreach

The Community Policing unit made twenty one (21) calls to the senior citizens enrolled in the Good Morning program, and sent out twenty three (23) first time false alarm activation notices. The unit also issued fifteen (15) false alarm warnings. Det. Domizi attended the Municipal Alliance meeting on September 25, 2018 and also attended search warrant training on September 6, 2018 which was held at the Prosecutor's Office. Det. Domizi appeared at the Car Nutz show on September 29, 2018 at the North Plainfield Middle School with the NPPD Harley Davidson motorcycle.

## Narcotics Strike Force

During the month of September the task force officer conducted Controlled buys of suspected narcotics in North Plainfield, Bridgewater and Franklin Township. Narcotics were purchased from various sellers in ongoing narcotics investigations in Basking Ridge and Bridgewater. Search warrants were executed in Bridgewater and Bound Brook where cocaine and a weapon were recovered. The task force officer also attended training at UNIT School in Burlington County NJ.

## Other Matters

Detectives investigated a total of three (3) separate licensing / background investigations during the month of September. The license investigations were for the following: Bingo and firearms applications.

Lt. McKay completed the annual Megan's law registration on two Tier 1 offenders in North Plainfield during the month of September. The detective bureau hosted a multi-jurisdictional meeting regarding the multiple smash & grab commercial burglaries occurring county wide.

Detectives attended SART training at the Somerset County prosecutor's office on September 25, 2018. Sgt. Vonspreckelsen attended a class on successful social media hosted by the Division of Criminal Justice on September 12, 2018. Lt. McKay attended firearms training at the Somerset County Police Academy on September 20, 2018. Det. Segeda attended dive team-OEM training on September 26, 2018 at Duke Estate in Hillsborough NJ. Detectives also attended the monthly intelligence meeting held at the police academy on September 24, 2018. This is a roundtable meeting of representatives from police agencies in Somerset County.

## Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Det. Everett and Det. Segeda both appeared once in Grand Jury in September. Sgt. Vonspreckelsen made two appearances in Grand Jury in September. The Grand Jury returned indictments on all of these cases.

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Nicolette Weimer was ordered to pay \$300.00 in restitution by the Honorable Judge Picheca. Troy White was ordered to pay \$500.00 in restitution by the Honorable Judge Tober. Aharonis Asilis-Guerra completed his PTI on September 2, 2018. Leon Hardie was sentenced to 290 days in jail and five years of probation by the Honorable Judge Picheca.

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**INTERNAL AFFAIRS:** During the month of September, the police department logged 1 Internal Affairs complaint. Lt. McKay investigated the complaint. We have one complaint pending from 2017.

Investigation #	Classification	Disposition	Corrective Action
18-11	Rules Violation	Not sustained	Pending
<b>17-03</b>	<b>Criminal Act</b>	<b>Pending</b>	<b>Pending</b>

### PATROL DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	16,092	137,412
Miles on unmarked patrol	690	7,736
Total miles on patrol	16,782	145,148

### Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	4	26
Moving Hazardous Violation	26	383
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	58	873
Ordinance Violation	10	110
Parking Violation	130	1,320
Seatbelt	4	128
Radar	16	120
Refusal Breath Test	0	11
Child Restraints	0	30
Reckless Driving	2	15
Cell Phone	4	73
Careless Driving	26	169
Suspended License	17	248
Written Warnings	301	3,195
Totals	598	6,701

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## Radar Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT
Clinton Avenue	17 Hours
Greenbrook Road	13 Hours
Grove Street	28 Hours
Leland Avenue	5 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	13 Hours
Norwood Avenue	12 Hours
Rock Ave	4 Hours
Rockview Avenue	2 Hours
Route 22	28 Hours
Somerset Street	18 Hours
Sycamore	1 Hour
Warfield Road	7 Hours
Watchung Avenue	10 Hours
West End Avenue	13 Hours
Westervelt Avenue	4 Hour
Willow Avenue	1 Hour
Wilson Avenue	2 Hour
Radar Posts Highlighted	162 Hours
Total Radar Posts	192
Total Radar Hours	229

## School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	11 Hours
Somerset School	4 Hours
Stonybrook School	9.5 Hours
West End School	15 Hours
High School	8.5 Hours
Charter School	8 Hours

## Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Clinton Ave.	09/01/18-09/30/18
Lawrence Ave.	09/01/18-09/30/18
Oneida Ave.	09/01/18-09/30/18
Jackson Ave.	09/01/18-09/30/18

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## Miscellaneous Information:

- Unmarked patrol was conducted in the borough for a total of 690 hours covering a total of 947 miles.
- We responded to 109 Rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 229 building or premise checks.
- We conducted 51 School premise checks
- We conducted 66 walking beats.
- We investigated 55 General alarms.
- We made 273 Motor Vehicle Stops.

## Parking Enforcement Report:

Tickets:	Title 39		Meter Related		Total	
	Month /	YTD	Month /	YTD	Month /	YTD
Totals	186	1,845	204	2,213	390	4,058

Meters		Permits		Total Revenue	
Monthly /	YTD	Monthly /	YTD	Monthly /	YTD
10,183.51	95,349.40	180.00	10,960.00	10,363051	106,369.40

## Monthly Accident Totals

**Accidents for the Month: 82**

### Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	1
Hazardous	18	Non Hazardous	9
Alcohol Related	0		

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

Rt 22-Reportable	20	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	3
Boro Streets- Reportable	34	Boro St Non-Reportable	1
Private Property-Reportable	20	Private Prop Non-Reportable	4
Total Reportable Accidents	74	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	8

### Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	8
Persons Injured	8
Fatal Accidents	0

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**Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 639**

**Summons Issued at Accidents:**

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	7
Hazardous	166	Non Hazardous	83
Alcohol	0		

**Breakdown of Reportable and Non-Reportable**

Rt 22-Reportable	211	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	32
Boro Streets- Reportable	262	Boro St Non-Reportable	22
Private Property-Reportable	86	Private Prop Non-Reportable	26
Total Reportable Accidents	559	Total Non-Reportable	80

**Accident Injury Report:**

Reports W/Injuries	88
Persons Injured	126
Fatal Accidents	1

Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic covered 16 hours as court Officer.
- Traffic and parking covered 14 school posts.
- Traffic added two substitute crossing guards for the school year.
- Sgt. Kardos assisted 2 residents with child seat install.
- 09/23 Sgt. Kardos responded to a possible pedestrian hit and run @ Watchung/Coddington. It was determined to be a robbery.
- Interviews were done for a new parking enforcement officer.
- Sgt. Kardos and Biggs repaired several parking meters.

**SERVICE DIVISION**

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$269.25	\$4,056.62
Calls for Service/Responses	2,416	21,385
Discovery Requests	26	150
Report Requests	134	2,132
Pieces of Evidence/ Property	47	440

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	1
Rape	0	4
Robbery	2	11
Assault, Agg:	0	5



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Assault Simple	12	107
Burglary	1	38
Larceny	26	221
M.V. Theft	1	10
Arson	0	0
Domestic Violence	33	210
Bias Incidents	0	0

### Monthly Arrest Analysis

Month      YTD  
**Adult/Juv    Adult/Juv**

Murder	0	0	1	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	2	0
Robbery	0	0	1	0
Aggravated Assault	2	0	9	0
Burglary	0	0	5	1
Larceny/Theft	3	0	20	5
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	6	0	39	2
Arson	0	0	0	0
Forgery	0	0	3	0
Fraud	0	0	5	0
Embezzlement	1	0	2	0
Stolen Property	0	0	2	0
Criminal Mischief	1	0	5	0
Weapons	1	0	4	1
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	2	0
Violation of Drug Laws	6	0	81	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	0	0
Driving Under the Influence	4	0	26	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	11	3
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	0
All Other Offenses	15	6	95	8
<b>Total UCR Arrests for Month</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>20</b>
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	<b>38</b>	0	<b>350</b>	0
<b>Grand Total Arrests for Month</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>20</b>

**Month      YTD**

- **6 Juvenile Arrest for the Month**
- **2 Aggravated Assault arrests for current month are from the crime committed in the month of August 2018**

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Respectfully submitted,

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