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ANNUAL REPORT



AUBURN POLICE DEPARTMENT



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A Message from Our Chief

As I was named Chief of Police in July 2021, I was taking over an agency that was in a transition. We were transitioning from a predominately senior department to a newly hired younger department. With this change came some challenges, most importantly depending on officers with little experience to train those with no experience. The department saw ten retirements in the first half of the year in 2021, which resulted in a loss of 168 years of service and experience. This, coupled with the COVID-19 pandemic that was still affecting our community and department. The challenges were real, but the members of the department stepped up and continue to be resilient towards anything that comes their way.

In an attempt to make our department whole again, we started the hiring process after the last police entrance exam. With the approval of the City Manager and Council, we were able to hire twelve recruit officers which would make our department fully staffed, which was the first time this occurred in the last five years. Unfortunately, we lost two officers in the academy, which brought our numbers back down. Officers currently on the road would still be required to work below staffing levels until these officers would complete academy training and field training, which would most likely be until December 2021.

Communication and transparency with the community in which we serve is still at the forefront of our organization. More now than ever the public want to know the Who? What? Why? And Where? of our department. I feel that it is my job as the Chief of Police to communicate with the public and encourage our officers to do the same. The feedback we get from the community will allow us to better serve the members of the community and maintain the trust they have in their police officers.



In 2021, law enforcement officers in New York State were challenged by the governor to formulate a plan to better serve the residents of their community. We held a number of community forums, broken down into groups that included residents, council and legislative members, professional leaders, and community activists. These forums resulted in great conversation and a goal to make police departments more transparent and better trained. This allowed the Auburn Police Department to increase our training budget for a department that already held their officers to a higher standard.

In closing, I want the public to know that members of the Auburn Police Department, who serve our community do so with professionalism, compassion, and respect each and every day. It is with honor that I am allowed to be the Police Chief of such a great organization. I would like to thank Mayor Quill, City Manager Dygert, and members of the City Council for always being supportive of the Auburn Police Department.

James T. Slayton, Chief of Police



Mission Statement

To enhance the quality of life in the City of Auburn by working cooperatively with the citizenry to enforce the laws, preserve the peace, and provide for a safe environment.

Values

The values of the Auburn Police Department begin with the common understanding that all citizens shall be treated with Human Dignity. Regardless of race, social class, gender, religion, background or beliefs, each individual we serve will be given Respect, Excellence of service, Compassion and understanding, while we promise to always maintain our Integrity through collaborative Teamwork and Accountability by means of a strategic partnership with the community members that we serve.

- * **Respect:** The Auburn Police Department views the law and the community as the source of its authority and will faithfully and without bias or prejudice honor this commitment.
- * **Excellence:** The Auburn Police Department strives for distinct and superior service between our membership and the partnership we share with the community we serve.
- * **Compassion:** The Auburn Police Department strives to show respect for and be sensitive to all citizens and their problems.
- * **Integrity:** The Auburn Police Department believes in honesty, consistency and transparency in every interaction with the public that we serve.
- * **Teamwork:** The Auburn Police Department believes that each citizen must become involved in efforts to solve their own problems. We must work as a team in order to accomplish mutual goals for our community.
- * **Accountability:** Members of the Auburn Police Department are held to the highest standards of accountability to ourselves, our fellow officers, our administration, and those that we serve.

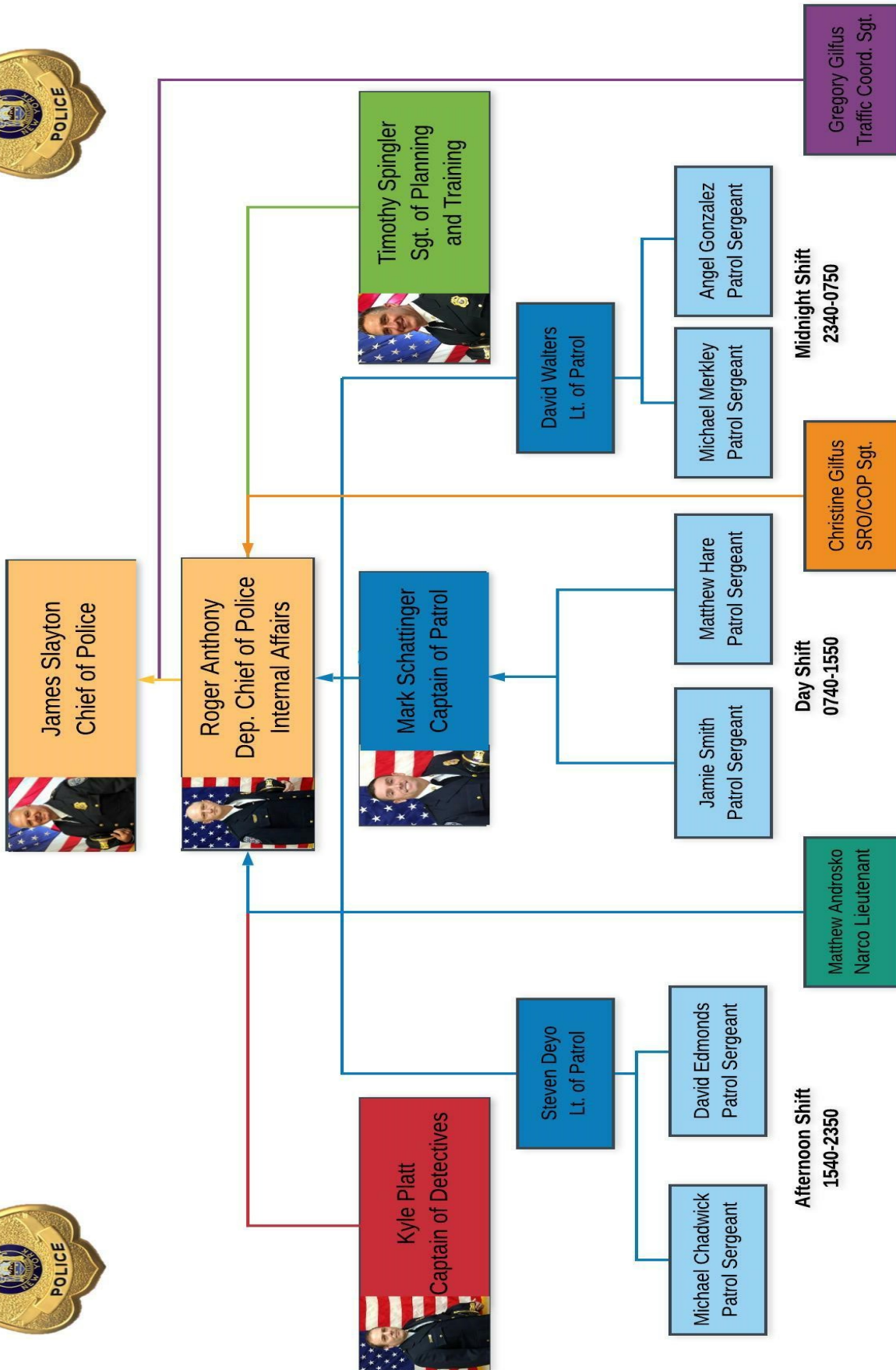
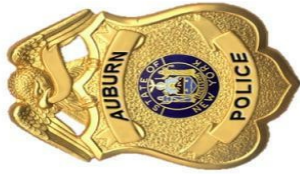
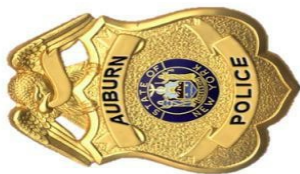
Motto

“Expect Excellence”



Auburn Police Department

Command & Supervisory Staff



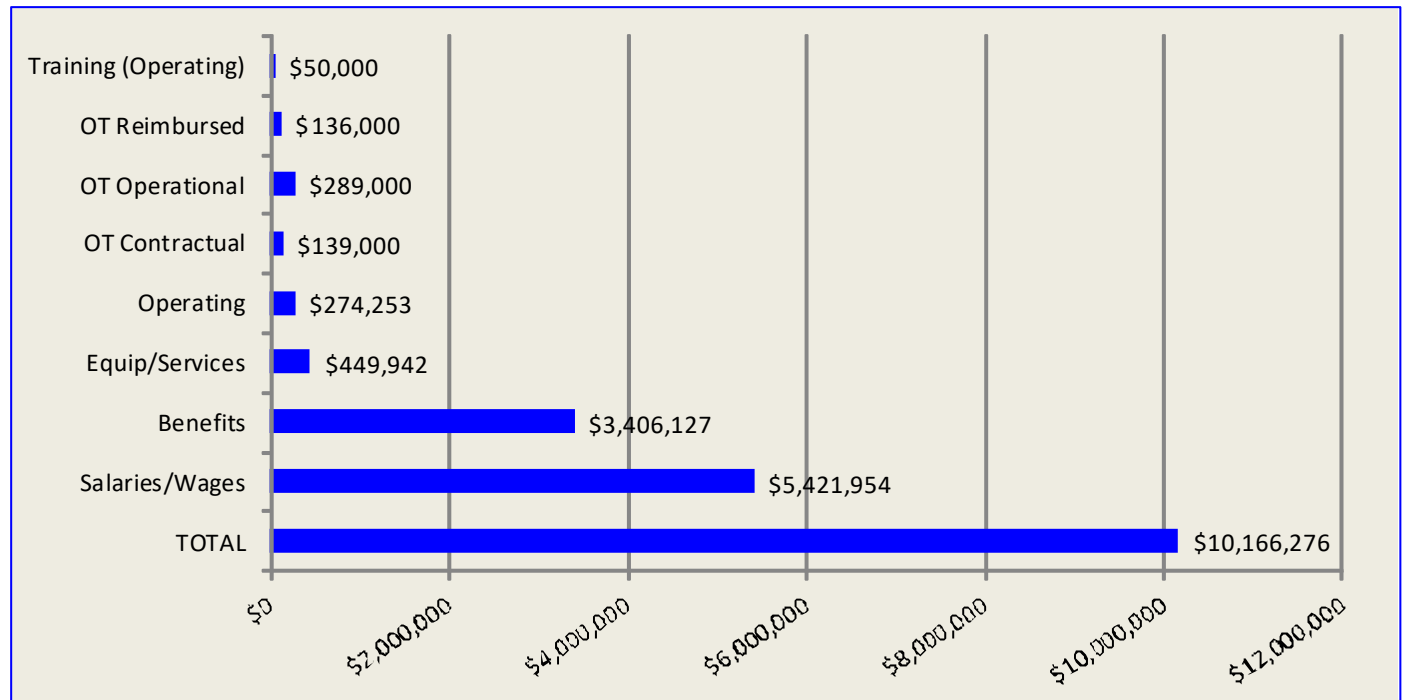


Financial Report

The Auburn Police Department was approved to receive \$10,166,276 for the 2021/2022 fiscal year. The below charts break down the allocation of these funds:

Line Item	Approved Budget Amount	% of Budget
Salaries and Wages	\$5,241,954	53.33%
Employee Benefits	\$3,406,127	33.50%
Overtime	\$564,000	5.55%
Operating Expenses	\$324,253	4.43%
Equipment/Services	\$449,942	3.19%
Total	\$10,166,276	100%

The above is further broken down to show that our training budget of \$50,000 accounts for only 0.49% of our total budget. Additionally, \$136,000 (24.11%) of our total overtime budget of \$564,000 is reimbursed. Salaries/wages and benefits account for 86.83% of our total budget.



*graph shows Operating budget without Training (\$50,000) included.





Departmental Stats

Incident Type*	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Adult Arrests	1,171	1,044	1,237	1,027	1,105
Juvenile Arrests	47	38	27	29	42
Alarms Responded to	446	417	345	293	331
Animal Complaints Investigated	159	165	162	130	129
Assault Investigations	62	59	65	60	42
Burglary Investigations	156	117	133	120	91
Criminal Mischief Investigations	302	273	258	277	258
Domestic Violence Investigations	1,409	1,308	1,242	1,413	1,474
Drug Investigations	233	219	305	229	184
Fraud Investigations	157	147	160	152	204
Hang-up Calls to 911 Requiring Police Response	472	330	287	258	275
Harassment Investigations	727	673	609	549	547
Juvenile Complaints Investigated	507	462	478	409	509
Landlord / Tenant Disputes	125	136	146	129	128
Larceny Investigations	777	589	679	710	549
Mental Health Problems Investigated	465	309	339	354	345
Missing Person Investigations	243	128	136	97	91
Motor Vehicle Accidents Investigated - Personal Injury	178	133	133	144	138
Motor Vehicle Accidents Investigated - Property Damage	1,103	1,016	1,113	828	912
Neighbor Problems Investigated	302	281	335	441	405
Officers Injured On Duty	21	24	19	28	15
Orders of Protection Violated	100	103	124	103	101
Overdose Investigations	92	120	136	152	222
Parking Complaints Investigated	599	1,191	998	478	456
Parking Tickets Issued	6,031	11,888	10,302	10,394	8,676
Prisoner Transports	375	314	404	379	457
Reports of Disorderly Conduct, Fights & Noise	1,092	1,016	1,109	1,447	1,289
Robbery Investigations	18	21	15	19	12
Sex Offense Investigations	79	72	89	74	88
Suicide Attempts Investigated	168	221	190	232	245
Suspicious Activity Investigated	1,148	1,262	1,419	1,660	1,924
Traffic Stops Made	6,108	3,586	3,089	2,367	3,796
Traffic Tickets Issued	3,138	2,048	1,655	1,417	1,825
Trespass Investigations	125	103	116	99	124
Warrants Executed	446	410	560	512	575
Total Calls for Service	34,437	38,991	35,137	32,884	33,750

*not an exhaustive list of incident types





Review of 2021 Goals

Goal: Increase storage space for evidence/property management

Accomplishment: Third floor area of the old Fire Department has been identified, and a secured cage has been installed where the property/evidence storage will eventually go, as well as an area for laboratory space for our Identification Officer. With the Fire Department recently moving locations, our department will now be exploring moving the entire ID Bureau to the old Fire Department, into a more modern and up-to-date facility, allowing for a more centralized location for evidence/property management and evidence processing.

Goal: Develop a plan and initiate drone program

Accomplishment: A department policy was issued regarding the use of an unmanned aerial system (drone program). The program assists with locating missing persons, AMBER Alerts, search and rescue incidents, scene documentation (crime, traffic crash, and disasters) as well as many other department investigations. The department currently has 4 certified pilots who successfully passed a demanding pilots exam in 2021 to be able to fly drones in New York State. The drone has been utilized numerous times, including an attempt to locate a suspect throughout a trail in a violent assault, as well as to assist the City Water Department in determining water levels during a flood.

Goal: Purchase and train on Cellebrite software program

Accomplishment: Our department obtained a grant for equipment, software and training for personnel to assist with investigations involving digital evidence. During 2021, Cellebrite was utilized over 40 times to aid in our department's investigations. There are currently four detectives trained and certified to use the Cellebrite program.





2021 Accomplishments

- ⇒ Hired four new Special Patrol Officers to give full coverage to all elementary schools within the city. All officers are retired police officers, with three of the four recently retiring from our department. The four officers share over 90 years of combined experience as police officers.
- ⇒ Hired ten new officers, along with one lateral transfer. All ten new officers have completed their respective police academies. Six of the ten are in the field training program with a senior officer, while the remaining four have completed the program and are patrolling the City on their own, counting towards manpower. Eight officers retired from our department in 2021, resulting in a loss of over 160 years of experience.
- ⇒ Applied for, and received, grant funding for body-worn camera equipment. The funding will be used to offset costs for equipment and maintenance. The cameras should be implemented around mid-year 2022.
- ⇒ Increased our training budget by \$6,000, giving more opportunities for officers to enhance skills and learning (ie: Reality-Based Training, Instructor Training, Supervisor Training).
- ⇒ Scheduled mock assessment for NYS accreditation for 1st week of January. The mock assessment prepares our agency for the actual assessment, which is the final stage in becoming accredited for the first time, a term which lasts 5 years and requires annual maintenance and compliance.
- ⇒ As part of the Nuisance Abatement Committee, which was started in July 2021, our department reviewed 25 claims from concerned citizens in regards to nuisance properties and owners within the City. Letters were sent and meetings were held to discuss remedies. In some instances, properties were either condemned or boarded up. The purpose of the committee was to reduce quality of life issues for our citizens and to reduce the number of calls our police, fire and codes departments responded to, especially repeated calls to the same areas for the same issues.





2022 Strategic Goals

Goal: Obtain and train on new Tasers

Objective: Our department is seeking to secure and put in service new Taser 7 units for all sworn officers. The current lease/contract on our Taser X26P is expiring and the X26P is slowly becoming obsolete. With the Taser 7, we are getting the newest and best available version with its upgrade functionality. The Taser 7 is capable of achieving the optimal 12" spread of the probes whether it is fired in close quarters or at a further distance. It is capable of firing two separate times without any reloading of cartridges and it delivers the probes at a higher kinetic energy, making it capable of working through thick clothing. This is advantageous for officer safety and also for the subjects it may be deployed on as it will actually work better on the subject, getting them into custody quicker and with less deployments, decreasing chances of injury. Training will consist of the same yearly in-service training to re-certify on the Tasers and officers will still need to take a written exam and demonstrate proper use to instructor.

Goal: Obtain and utilize body-worn cameras

Objective: Create a policy and procedure for the use and maintenance requirements of body-worn cameras, to be implemented mid-year 2022. The purpose of the cameras is to record interactions between police officers and the public to ensure officer and public safety as well as officer compliance with departmental policies and procedures. They will also demonstrate transparency within the community. The cameras will be purchased by utilizing a grant, as well as City of Auburn funds.

Goal: Create new position within department

Objective: Hire and train individual to assist with Identification Bureau responsibilities, as well as maintain body-worn camera record requirements. This includes compliance, retention and disposition of records. Incumbent will need to complete required DCJS courses for ID Bureau.

Goal: Put Community Oriented Police Officer back in service

Objective: In an effort to better engage with the community, this year's focus will include an increase in community policing objectives. Some of these objectives will be to have officers walk downtown and in neighborhoods to communicate with members of the public and spend time engaging in conversations. Much of this will be made possible because of the number of officers available after getting staff towards capacity. These officers will be able to bring back to administration some of the issues or concerns felt by community members. This will in turn, allow us to focus on neighborhoods or businesses that need assistance.



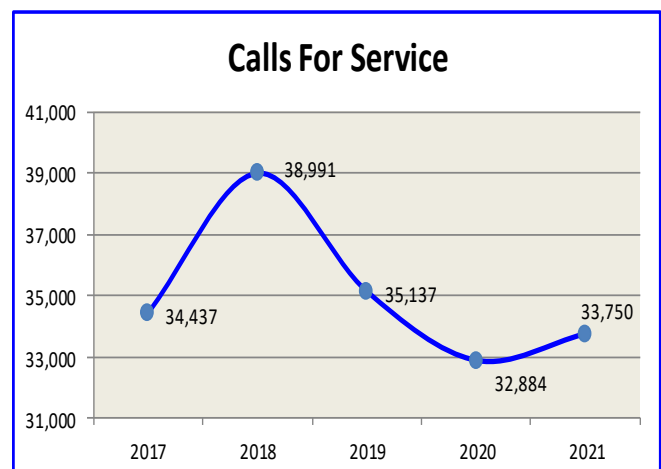


Patrol Division

The Patrol Division, considered to be the backbone of police departments, continued to provide excellent service to the members of our community during this difficult year. Through staffing shortages, due to retirement, and COVID-19 illness, the patrol division remained upbeat. They came to work every day and handled calls for service, all the while dealing with COVID protocols.

The Patrol Division conducted several traffic stops throughout the year in hopes of reducing the number of crashes, change a person's behavior regarding driving, and educate the public on the vehicle and traffic laws. 3,796 traffic stops were made, with 1,825 uniformed traffic tickets issued during the year. With the assistance of the Governors Traffic Safety Committee, patrol issued 503 of these uniformed traffic tickets during specific details in an effort to combat aggressive driving and to lower the number of vehicle crashes. In addition to aggressive driving, the patrol division participated in "Buckle Up New York", issuing 56 seatbelt tickets over the Memorial Day holiday. Two DWI checkpoints were also held, which resulted in 2 DWIs and 21 uniformed traffic tickets issued.

In addition to traffic, the patrol division seized, or assisted with seizing, 22 firearms off the street, including 12 pistols, 4 rifles and 6 shotguns. As part of life-saving efforts, patrol also administered Narcan to 12 individuals who had overdosed. They responded to 222 total overdose calls during the year.





Detective & Identification Bureaus

Detective Bureau

The Detective Bureau investigates complex cases, including burglaries, robberies, child abuse, sexual assaults, frauds, and death investigations, including overdoses. The Bureau is also primarily responsible for the investigations into juveniles who commit crimes, as well as missing persons. During 2021, detectives were assigned 365 new cases, while closing out 347 previously assigned cases.

Type	2019	2020	2021
New Cases	289	352	365
Closed Cases	249	301	347
Arrests	33	43	53

Detectives made 53 arrests, which included 81 felonies, 50 misdemeanors, and 2 violations. 42 warrant applications, consisting of 48 felonies and 42 misdemeanors, were applied for. Detectives also

Investigation Type	2019	2020	2021
Assault	65	60	42
Burglary	133	120	91
Fraud	160	152	204
Overdose	136	152	222
Robbery	15	19	12
Sex Offense	89	74	88

executed 78 search warrants. At the end of 2021, the detective bureau consisted of 5 detectives, who were called in a total of 60 times throughout the year.

Identification Bureau

The Identification Bureau handled 1,059 new cases in 2021, and received 3,340 items as property/evidence. Throughout the year, an average of 156 sex offenders were monitored by the bureau, including 928 sex offender contacts. 1,335 camera SD cards were uploaded as evidence throughout the year, and 241.42 lbs of drugs were collected at drug drop box locations.

Victim Specialist

Our victim specialist, Jessica Wagner, operates under the umbrella of the Detective Bureau supervisor. Jessica provides victims of all crimes with advocacy, related services, information and referrals, and emotional support and safety services. In 2021, Jessica supported 235 victims through the various services and referrals she provides.





Finger Lakes Drug Task Force



Handgun seized during search warrant

The Finger Lakes Drug Task Force is comprised of assigned members of the Auburn Police Department and the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office, and is assisted by the New York State Police, the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, along with many other different police agencies within the Finger Lakes region. The task force not only deals with crimes involving narcotics, but also investigates vice related crimes, which include prostitution and gambling.

The Finger Lakes Drug Task Force initiated 118 cases during the year, and made 15 arrests, consisting of 13 felonies and 28 misdemeanors. 14 search warrants were executed by the task force in 2021. The task force relies heavily on information gleaned from the public regarding illegal activities in their neighborhoods and communities, and these tips have led to many arrests.



Officers recovered cocaine, methamphetamine, marihuana, drug paraphernalia, and currency

FLDTF 2021 Seizures

Firearms	11
Marihuana	2629.2 grams
Fentanyl / Fentanyl Pills	25.8 grams / 22
Cocaine	549.8 grams
Heroin	8 grams
Controlled Substances	267 doses
Molly	177.7 grams
Cash	\$25,687.00



Cocaine, inositol powder, scales and other paraphernalia, along with \$4,500, recovered





Officers in Our Schools



School Resource Officers (SRO's) are responsible for the safety and security of teachers and children within the seven school buildings of the Auburn Enlarged City School District. They foster a relationship between police and students and staff, and act as mentors to students with teaching and referrals to appropriate programs. They provide a community law enforcement resource for the students, parents and staff, and continue to serve as positive role models. Along with the safety of students, SROs seek to limit the number of these students in the criminal justice system by offering alternative solutions for offenders.



During the 2021 school year, SRO's responded to 626 incidents which required intervention. In addition to keeping children and teachers safe throughout the year, SRO's conducted a variety of initiatives and training, with topics including Halloween safety, drunk/impaired driving, and bullying.



School Resource Officers were involved in many community events in 2021, including Shop with a Cop, the Majorpalooza Thanksgiving Dinner giveaway, and the Special Olympics, to name a few.

On September 7th, the Auburn Police Department hired four Special Police Officers to supplement the SRO program. The additional staff will provide more coverage to the schools in a more consistent manner. All four new hires are recently retired police officers, including three from the Auburn Police Department (Officer Andrew Skardinski, Officer Vincent Carnicelli and Officer Christopher White). Officer Carnicelli and Officer White previously served as SRO's within Auburn schools. The fourth new hire, Matt Fraher, retired as a detective for the Syracuse Police Department, however has been a life-long resident of Auburn. There are a total of 7 SRO and SPO Officers covering the 7 schools.





Training & Continued Learning

In-Service Training: The importance of knowledge and training cannot be overstated in our field. The Auburn Police Department ensures our officers are compliant and well-versed in law changes and best practices in policing by consistently updating our in-house, online and state mandated training practices. The critical knowledge and skills obtained will continually assist our officers in making the very best decisions they can, while serving our ever changing community dynamic.

In 2021, officers received a combined 21,601 hours of training which included the training of 10 recruits at 3 different regional police academies. APD officers receive training through various formats to include training by our own New York State certified instructors, via our PoliceOne Academy online training portal, or off-site through various other training resources. Any course that can be taken in-house or online, without sacrificing quality, is the preferred method. This saves time and money in course costs, travel time, and overtime.

Naloxone (NARCAN) Training: The Auburn Police Department mandates that all sworn law enforcement members are trained in and carry NARCAN medication to treat an opioid overdose victim. In 2021 the Auburn Police Department, Auburn Fire Department, and Emergency Medical Services administered Narcan over 30 times to victims suffering from an overdose. Partnering with the Columbia University Healing Communities Study, we have also begun training and distributing NARCAN to our community. In 2021, Narcan was administered 38 known times by a community member in an effort to save someone's life from an overdose.

Reality-Based Training: The Auburn Police Department completed a comprehensive Reality Based Training exercise in which every sworn member of the department completed a battery of different scenarios. The scenarios were designed to mimic real life situations and the officers were subjected to all different types of situations in a rapid fire sequence of events. The training is designed to make the officers quickly diagnose the situation that is presented before them and to appropriately react to the scene that is unfolding in front of them. The scenario evolves based on the officer's decisions, actions, and reactions. The rapid fire sequencing raises tensions that mimic the response that the human body has when confronted with the unknown circumstance that officers face in every day police interactions. The officers are then critiqued on their responses and reactions in an open discussion. This training is invaluable to the learning and confirming the different ways of handling police interactions with the citizenry. This training is designed to reduce use of force incidents and to assist officers with de-escalation in all police/ citizen interactions.





Training & Continued Learning

De-Escalation Policy & Training: De-escalation techniques have long been employed by the Auburn Police Department, however, with the increased complexity of mental health and other societal issues being assigned to our officers, it is imperative that our officers are consistently trained on the most up-to-date techniques in order to reduce the need to use force in resolving these calls for service. It is also essential that the police department consistently partner with community services in order to creatively develop equitable solutions using all available resources at our disposal.

Auburn Police policy also encourages officers to consider that taking no action or passively monitoring a situation may be the most reasonable response to a volatile situation like a mental health crisis as long as there is not an immediate threat to the health and safety of the subject or a third party.

As part of the City of Auburn's 2021 response to Governor Cuomo's New York State Collaborative on Community & Police Relations Plan, the creation of a "Rapid Response Community Team" idea was discussed relative to how community leaders can work together in the event of a critical incident involving the police and in order to diffuse and de-escalate community tensions that may arise from the incident. This collaborative partnership looks to partner trusted community leaders with city officials in an effort to quell any potential negative reaction as all parties look to keep the community at large informed with factual information while an investigation progresses.

Crisis Intervention Team (C.I.T.) Training: The Auburn Police Department has a group of officers specially trained to deal with emotionally disturbed individuals in a variety of situations within our community. These situations may include suicidal persons, persons exhibiting irrational behavior, handling psychiatric patients, the homeless, various mental health concerns and/or referrals, and any other situations that deal specifically with the needs of the mental health community and emotionally disturbed persons. Having these specially trained officers to handle these sensitive situations has allowed our agency to reduce the use of force when responding to these calls for service.

Implicit Bias Training: All supervisory staff attended Implicit Bias Training with Dr. Sim Covington, Chief Diversity Officer at Finer Lakes Community College. In our line of work, we deal with a multitude of people with different backgrounds, personalities, values, educations and belief systems. The purpose of the training was to teach officers to recognize and overcome biases. Attendees were able to speak on personal biases which may have affected them, to unknown biases which they may have been subjected to.





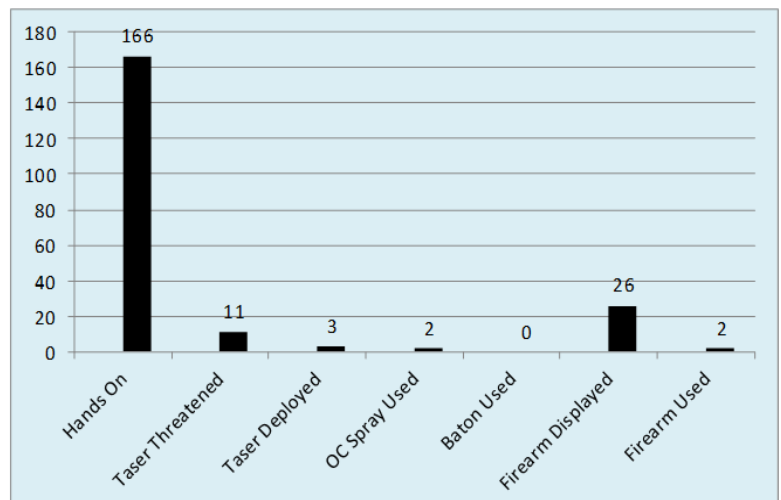
Use of Force Report

During the year, there were a total of 197 incidents that resulted in the use of force, on 99 subjects. The department handled a total of 33,750 calls for service. Many times, an incident requires more than one officer to utilize force on a subject to gain control and compliance. Each officer's individual use of force counts as an incident. This means that one of our 66 sworn officers was required to use force on a call for service approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ of a percent of the time.

The below graph breaks down each type of use of force during 2021. Note that out of the 166 hands-on uses of force incidents, 155 of these required no additional uses of force. This means no additional controlling devices (firearm, Taser, OC spray, baton) were required to be displayed or utilized during a hands-on use of force.

Our officers understand and practice "Duty to Intercede." As per our policy, any officer present and observing another officer using force that is clearly beyond that which is objectively reasonable under the circumstances, shall, when in a position to do so, intercede to prevent the use of unreasonable force, as well as promptly report these observations to a supervisor.

In 2021, every sworn officer received at least 26 hours of use of force training, which includes range training, Taser and baton training, along with de-escalation, and reality based training. These trainings encompass everything from deciding what force (if any) is appropriate, to decisions to utilize the least amount of force necessary to effect an objective, as well as tasking specific objectives to keep skills sharp.



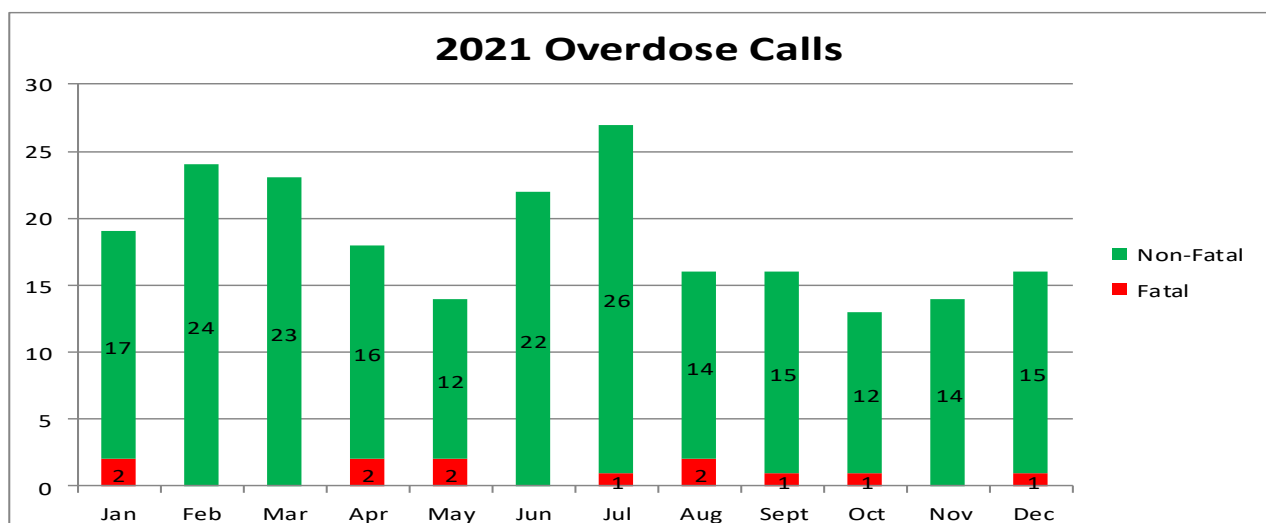


Overdoses

Tragically, in 2021, the Auburn Police Department responded to 222 overdose calls for service whereby 12 resulted in the death of someone's family member, loved one, friend, or co-worker. This is a 46% increase in overdose calls compared to 2020 (152). Our work continues here in Auburn and Cayuga County as we fight as a unified and collaborative team to combat substance use disorder and save lives.

Through our continued participation in Columbia Universities HEALing Communities Study, our team efforts have saved lives and helped direct individuals towards a long term and sustainable path to recovery.

In conjunction with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), our department hosted 2 National Drug Take-Back events in 2021. The events gave individuals an opportunity to discard unwanted, and potentially dangerous and misused, prescription drugs to local law enforcement for destruction. Additionally, there is a convenient, no-questions-asked medication drop box located in our main lobby, available 24/7 for citizens to utilize. Our department collected and destroyed over 241 pounds of these drugs in 2021.

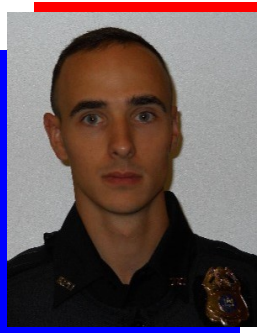




Welcome Our New Officers



Officer N. Barnes



Officer A. Bucci



Officer M. Bufano



Officer L. Drancsak



Officer J. Epiloto



Officer N. Gehm



Officer S. Gilmore



Officer A. Henderson



Officer A. Mastropietro



Officer E. Pickard



Officer M. Withers





Promotions

Name	Promotion	Promotion Date	Years of Service
James Slayton	Chief of Police	7/17/2021	23
David Walters	Lieutenant of Patrol	7/18/2021	12
Michael Merkley	Sergeant of Patrol	8/1/2021	5



Chief Slayton being sworn in
at City Hall



L-R: Chief Slayton, Lt. Walters &
Deputy Chief Anthony



Chief Slayton and Sgt. Merkley





Retirements



Police Chief Shawn Butler
25 years of service

Detective Brian Blanchfield
21 years of service

Police Officer John Breeze
21 years of service

Police Officer Christopher White
21 years of service

Police Officer Vincent Carnicelli
20 years of service

Police Officer Christopher Major
20 years of service

Police Officer Andrew Kalet
20 years of service

Police Officer Joseph Villano
20 years of service

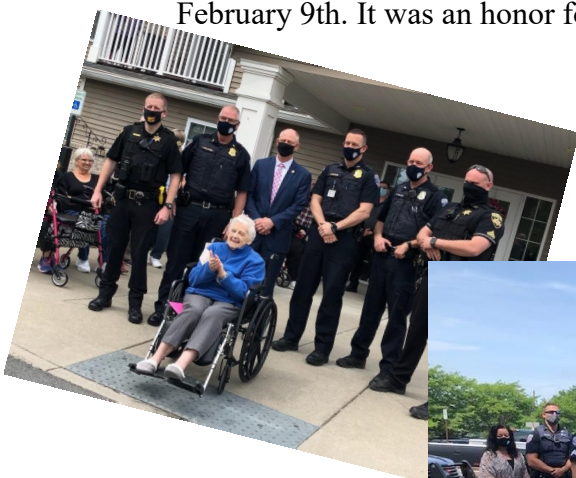




Unity in our Community

The Centenarian Club

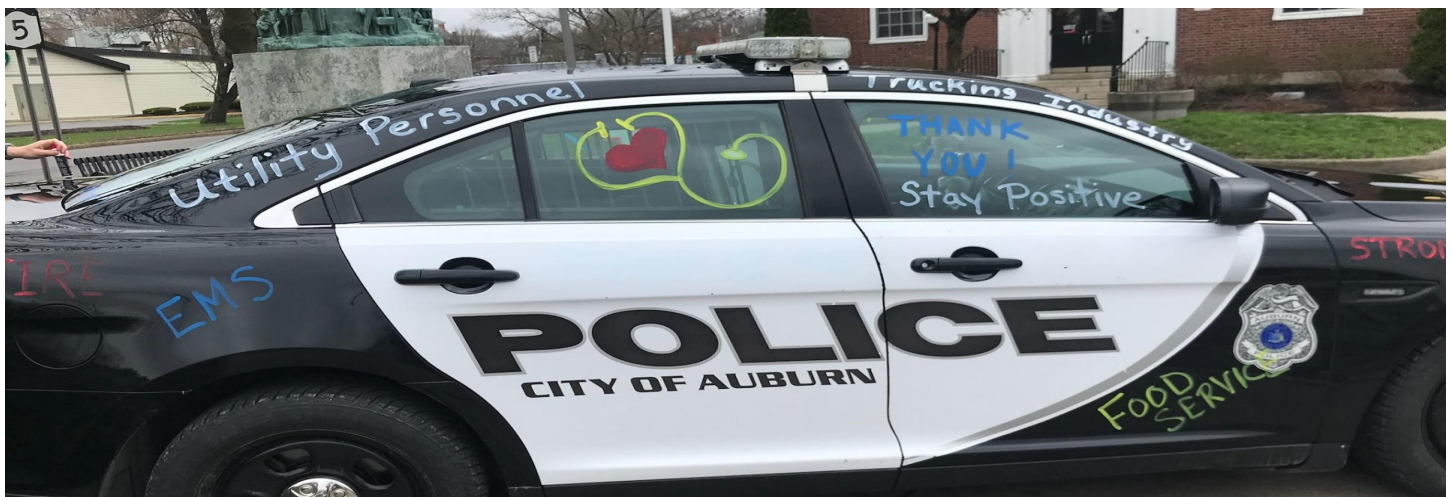
The Auburn Police Department had the opportunity to help commemorate three 100th birthday celebrations. From L-R,: Esther Loomis turned 100 on May 7th. Gracie Deloia, long-time records clerk at the Auburn Police Department, turned 100 on August 13. Frank DeRosa, World War II Army Vet, turned 100 years old on February 9th. It was an honor for our department to be apart of these milestones!



Special Olympics

Members of our department took part in the Special Olympics this past year. On the left, Auburn Police Officer Madison Schattinger, represented APD in the Law Enforcement Torch Run. On the right, Officer Tanner and Officer Biljanoski collected donations from patrons at Dunkin Donuts to support this great cause.





Unity in our Community

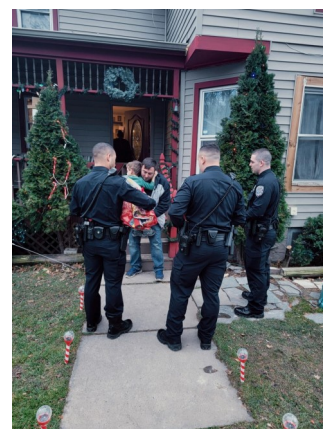
Breast Cancer / Domestic Violence Awareness

Our officers participated in raising awareness for Breast Cancer Awareness and Domestic Violence Awareness Month, in October. Officers were issued real pink and purple badges to wear to show their support in our community, as well as sporting purple ribbons on 10/21/2021 to support those affected by domestic violence.



Cops with Quilts

Auburn Police Department joined forces with the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office to distribute numerous homemade quilts to children in our community. The quilts were made and donated by the Cayuga Lake Quilt Guild.





Unity in our Community

Shop with a Cop

Members of Auburn Police Local 195 teamed up with local NYS Correctional Officers from NYSCOPBA to bring 10 wonderful children from our community on a Shop with a Cop event.



Trunk or Treat Event

Members engaged with citizen and passed out candy to trick or treaters at three different locations - at the Harriet Tubman Memorial AME Zion Church, the Finger Lakes Mall, and at Falcon Park.





In Remembrance



Officer Michael Cicora

22 years of service with APD
1942-2021

Lord I ask for courage

Courage to face and
Conquer my own fears...

Courage to take me
Where others will not go...

I ask for strength
Strength of body to protect others
And strength of spirit to lead others...

I ask for dedication
Dedication to my job, to do it well
Dedication to my community
To keep it safe...

Give me Lord, concern
For others who trust me
And compassion for those who need me...

And please Lord
Through it all
Be at my side...

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