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Auburn Police Department Annual Report



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CHIEF'S MESSAGE



Chief of Police
James T. Slayton



Deputy Chief of Police
Timothy A. Spingler

Welcome to our 2023 annual report. Our department is comprised of 69 sworn personnel, which includes police officers and special patrol officers. We have seven non-sworn civilian employees and thirteen crossing guards.

I am proud of the men and women of the Auburn Police Department who are committed to making your interaction with our agency a positive one. This sense of pride comes from my daily observation of our personnel performing routine tasks to those we serve, that others may not recognize. These tasks include, but are not limited to, the public speaking with the command officer at the desk to get information, stopping in to get paperwork from the records department, meeting officers on the street, crossing our kids walking to school, and keeping our kids safe in school. Though many citizens may take these things for granted, we operate on a 24 hours a day, 365 days a year schedule, which makes us vulnerable to scrutiny from those we serve. I ask that you be patient and allow us to work through some situations to help you get the best possible solution to your problem or concern.

As I work into my third year as your Chief of Police, I am very happy to inform you that just recently we received our New York State Accreditation Certificate. This certificate ensures we are compliant with the best practices and standards set forth by the New York State Law Enforcement Accreditation Council. To accomplish this goal, it took every member of our department to be prepared and up to date on professional policing best practices and all policies and procedures set by this department. This was no easy task and I commend all members of this department both sworn and civilian. I especially would like to thank newly appointed Deputy Chief Timothy Spingler for his role in finishing this project. Also, this project would not have been a success without accreditation manager, Lawrence Church.

In closing, I want to let the community know as your Chief of Police, every member of this department will continue to serve you with professionalism, compassion and respect each and every day. I look forward to a continued partnership with our community in 2024.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chief J. Slayton".

James T. Slayton, Chief of Police

OUR MISSION

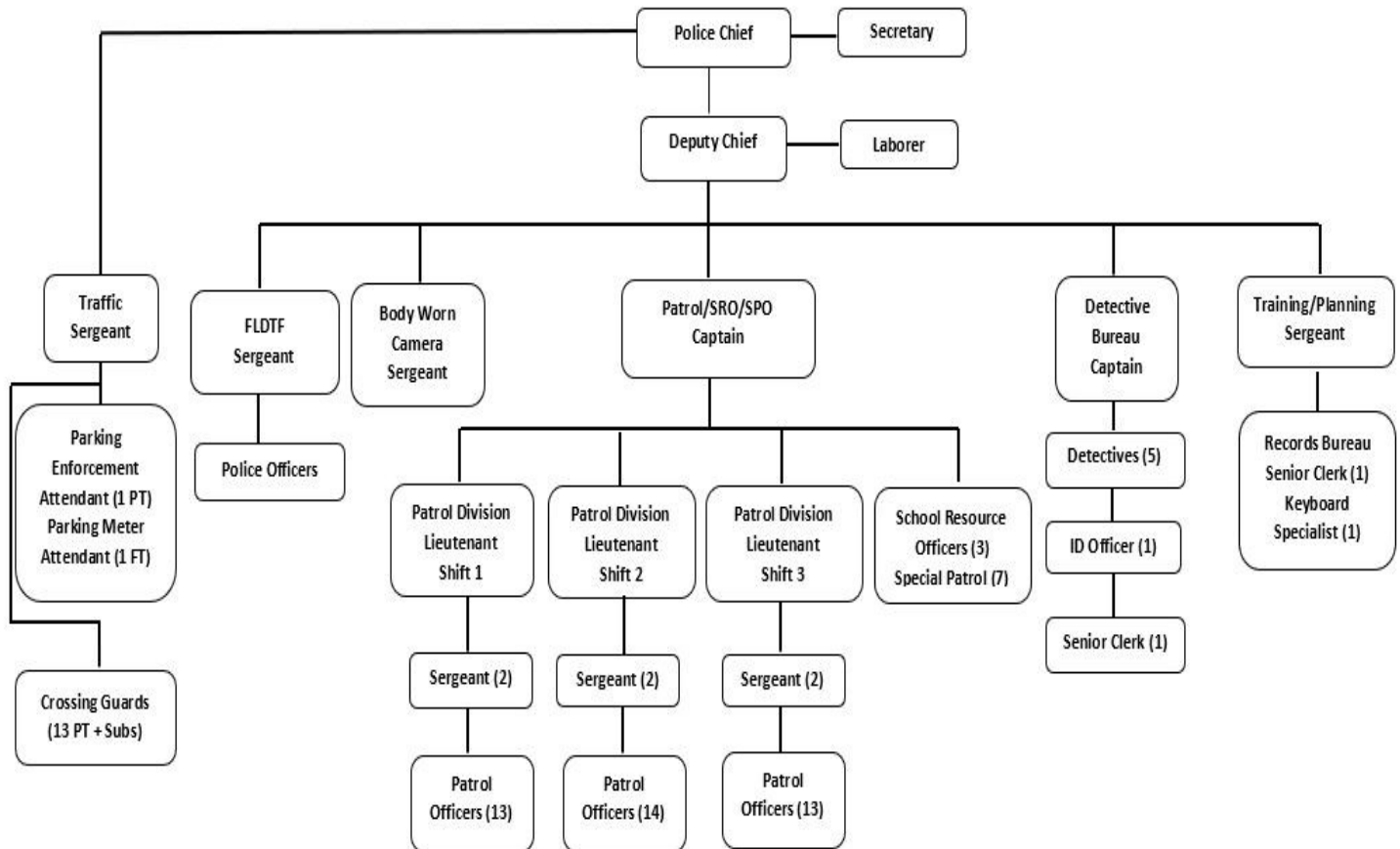
To enhance the quality of life in the City of Auburn by working cooperatively with the citizenry to enforce the laws, preserve the peace, and provide for a safe environment.



In working with our community to achieve our mission together, we strive to serve all citizens with our core values: ***Respect***, ***Excellence*** of service, ***Compassion*** and understanding, ***Integrity***, ***Teamwork*** and ***Accountability***.

PERSONNEL

Auburn Police Department Organizational Chart

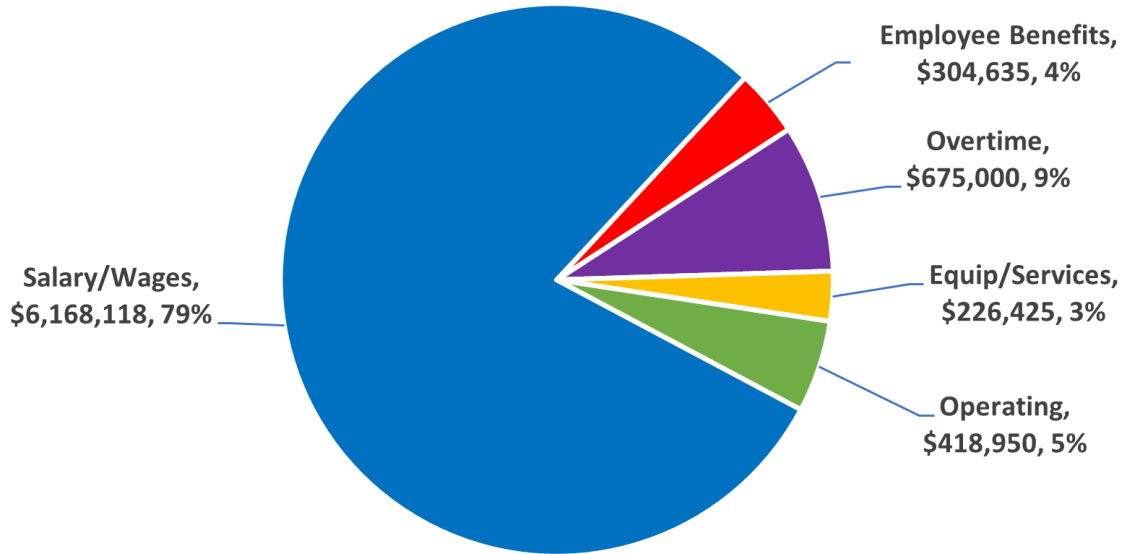


Job Title - Sworn	2023
Chief of Police	1
Deputy Chief of Police	1
Captain	2
Lieutenant	3
Sergeant	10
Detective	5
Officer	40
Special Patrol Officer*	7
Sworn Total	69

Job Title - Civilian	2023
Secretary	1
Senior Clerk	2
Keyboard Specialist	1
Laborer	1
Parking Enforcement (1FT, 1PT*)	2
Crossing Guards*	13
Civilian Total	20
Sworn Total	69
Total	89

*Part-time

BUDGET BREAKDOWN



	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Salaries/Wages	\$5,421,954	\$6,113,411	\$6,168,118
Employee Benefits*	\$281,635	\$304,635	\$304,635
Overtime	\$564,000	\$663,500	\$675,000
Operating Expenses	\$324,253	\$381,272	\$418,950
Equipment/Services	\$449,942	\$453,360	\$226,425
TOTAL	\$7,041,784	\$7,916,178	\$7,793,128

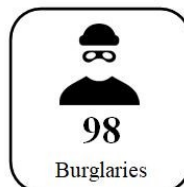
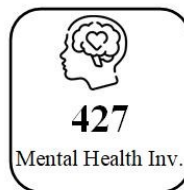
*Employee benefits include longevity pay, personal day pay out, holiday pay, sick incentive and uniform allowance.



2023 STATISTICS

Incident Type*	2023	2022	% Chg
Alarms Responded to	282	325	-13.23%
Animal Complaints Investigated	192	179	7.26%
Assault Investigations	37	39	-5.13%
Burglary Investigations	98	88	11.36%
Criminal Mischiefs Investigations	177	176	0.57%
Domestic Violence Investigations	1,178	1,175	0.26%
Drug Investigations	183	136	34.56%
Fraud Investigations	177	149	18.79%
Hang-Up Calls to 911	207	269	-23.05%
Harassment Investigations	407	507	-19.72%
Juvenile Complaints Investigated	513	399	28.57%
Landlord / Tenant Disputes	120	99	21.21%
Larceny Investigations	594	587	1.19%
Mental Health Investigations	427	429	-0.47%
Missing Person Investigations	87	68	27.94%
MVA - Personal Injury	136	157	-13.38%
MVA - Property Damage	884	849	4.12%
Neighbor Problems Investigated	364	328	10.98%
Officers Injured On Duty	20	17	17.65%
Orders of Protection Violated	84	87	-3.45%
Overdose Investigations	122	180	-32.22%
Parking Complaints Investigated	286	388	-26.29%
Parking Tickets Issued	5,025	6,207	-19.04%
Prisoner Transports	535	592	-9.63%
Reports of Dis/Con, Fights & Noise	981	875	12.11%

* Not an exhaustive list of incident types



Incident Type*	2023	2022	% Chg
Robbery Investigations	13	20	-35.00%
Sex Offense Investigations	67	69	-2.90%
Suicide Attempts Investigated	183	204	-10.29%
Suspicious Activity Investigated	2,260	2,586	-12.61%
Traffic Stops Made	3,666	5,441	-32.62%
Traffic Tickets Issued	1,730	2,689	-35.66%
Trespass Investigations	150	150	0.00%
Warrants Executed	445	465	-4.30%
Total Calls for Service	29,820	33,098	-9.90%



REVIEW OF 2023 GOALS

Goal: Enhance Drone Program

Objective: Our agency is seeking to add 4 additional drones to our department in 2023, for a total of 5. Two of these drones will be surveillance drones like our current one, used to capture detailed images and video of specific areas or events, which would otherwise be difficult or impossible to obtain. The other two drones are intended to be used in a tactical sense and will be assigned to the Emergency Response Team to assist the team with their operations. We have put the drone project out for bid and are awaiting responses from vendors.

Result: In 2023, we purchased 4 new drones and increased the number of certified pilots in our department to a total of 5. The extra pilots and drones will increase availability when a situation arises.

Goal: Complete decommission of existing cell blocks

Objective: In order to create more storage area, and to house the drones which will be purchased in 2023, our agency is seeking to decommission our women's cell block. The process will involve taking down the cage doors, discarding plumbing fixtures and removing benches in each cell.

Result: During the year, we realized this process was a bigger project than we originally anticipated. We are currently awaiting deconstruction bid proposals.

Goal: Optimize digital storage of digital evidence

Objective: In an effort to improve efficiency and redundancy with digital evidence processing and storage, we are seeking ways to better organize the data which will allow us to retrieve the data quickly and in a more streamlined fashion. This will also be beneficial when fulfilling discovery requests from the District Attorney's Office. After meeting with vendors to explore options that best fit our needs, we will purchase the required equipment as well as assign an in-house custodian to oversee.

Result: We have contracted with Axon for our digital evidence management needs, and increased our on-premises digital storage, which will take effect on 01/01/2024. This will allow for efficiencies with retrieving data, as well as fulfilling discovery requests to the District Attorney's Office.

REVIEW OF 2023 GOALS

Goal: Move Property/Evidence Custodian office to third floor

Objective: We are seeking to increase space and improve functionality for the property and evidence custodian. The increased space on the third floor will allow our ID officer to have a bigger office space which will also conveniently be on the same floor as the evidence room. We have contacted a design team who had an initial walk through. Once the team makes a design, we will get proposals for contracts with a starting date expected in the fall.

Result: It was our intent to move our property/evidence custodian's office to the third floor for better efficiency. However, due to accreditation property room standards, we needed to repurpose the floor which included taking up an additional room.

Goal: Redesign layout of second floor (Detective Bureau)

Objective: With the property and evidence office moving upstairs, this will create additional space for the detective bureau floor. With the increased space, we are looking to redesign the layout of the entire floor. This will increase efficiency as it will provide additional offices and rooms used to house personnel and equipment. We have contacted a design team who we will be working with to plan out a potential solution. We will then get bids from contractors with an expected start date in the fall.

Result: We hired an architectural firm to analyze the design of our building, including the detective bureau floor, and it was determined a redesign of the building was not feasible/cost effective. We are now in the process of looking at different properties to fill our department's needs.



2024 STRATEGIC GOALS

Goal: Begin the certification process for the Emergency Response Team

Objective: The Emergency Response Team (ERT) is made of specially trained and qualified members who respond to critical incidents involving violent situations, disasters, and other high-risk scenarios. In conjunction with our NYS accreditation program, we are seeking ERT certification in an effort to ensure our ERT policies, procedures, and training provide greater administrative and operational effectiveness, while also delivering the best possible service to our citizens. We will work with the Division of Criminal Justice Services and review the requirements and guidelines of getting our Emergency Response Team certified, and begin the process of adhering to such requirements.

Goal: Relocate ERT vehicles and equipment

Objective: In an effort to improve efficiency, and reduce response times to emergencies, our agency will be relocating ERT equipment and their vehicle to the old fire station bay, next door to us. The bay will need to be renovated, and new lockers and storage will need to be purchased for ERT usage.

Goal: Revitalize our recruitment efforts to attract more applicants

Objective: Over the past several years, the number of applicants for a police officer, with our agency, has steadily declined. With the intention of attracting more applicants and interest in our profession, our agency will be strengthening our efforts of engaging potential candidates. We are looking to utilize our Drone units and FARO machine to take a new recruitment video and will contract with a video company to edit the video for the advertisement.

Goal: Distribute public survey

Objective: As in recent years, our department is looking to send out community surveys to gauge how our agency is performing. It will give the public an opportunity to provide feedback on any issues with their neighborhood, or our department, and highlight what they would like to see improvement on. The responses from the surveys will then be collected and analyzed. The survey should be expected to be distributed in 3Q 2024.

Goal: Emergency Vehicle Operation Course (EVOC) Training

Objective: Our department is seeking to organize and implement a comprehensive driving refresher course for all police officers. Our certified EVOC instructor will make contact with NYS ENCON police to schedule a course on the Fulton, NY EVOC track, and will also create a digital lesson plan/training for all officers. The course will reinforce officer competency in driving under a variety of emergency response calls and situations.

ACCREDITATION

In late 2018, members of the Auburn Police Department initiated the process of getting our agency accredited. Our first order of business was to review all of our policies and procedures and to ensure they were compliant with best practices and New York State accreditation standards, and if not, to identify gaps in compliance, and fix accordingly. The primary working group consisted of the Chiefs of Police, selected command staff personnel, subject matter experts, and a civilian, who is the Accreditation Program Manager.

In January of 2023, our department applied to have an accreditation assessment. After a successful multi-day assessment in September of 2023, our agency was recommended to be accredited, and we were presented with our certificate at the quarterly Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council Meeting on December 7th.

The purpose of accreditation is to constantly evaluate and improve the many aspects of our department. Following state guidance from legal experts and the law enforcement community, our goal is to ensure we are meeting or exceeding general expectations of quality. In turn, this will enhance our professionalism, ensure our level of training is sound and sufficient, and further promote public confidence. It also obliges us to constantly review our policies and procedures and enhance our understanding of same.

To maintain accreditation, our department must continue to prove we are adhering to all 111 standards, which includes administrative, operational and training requirements. We must file reports every year to clearly demonstrate we are maintaining compliance, and our agency will be eligible for reaccreditation after five years.



The Auburn Police Department is presented with their Certificate of Accreditation, awarded to the department, and Certificate of Achievement, awarded to the Program Manager, Lawrence Church.

RETIREMENTS

Detective Sean DeRosa - 22 years of service (January 2001 - January 2023)



Deputy Chief Roger Anthony - 26 years of service (January 1997 - April 2023)



Captain Mark Schattinger - 25 years of service (July 1998 - July 2023)



PROMOTIONS



Timothy Spingler
Deputy Chief of Police



Matthew Androsko
Captain of Patrol



Michael Merkley
Patrol Lieutenant



Michael Weeks
Detective



Benjamin Caruso
Patrol Sergeant



Andrew Young
Patrol Sergeant

PATROL DIVISION

The Patrol Division is the face of the Auburn Police Department. Most encounters an individual has with the police are with a member of patrol. As the first responders and initial contact for almost all police-related incidents, members of patrol represent our entire department. It is their duty to protect life and property, and to do so in a fair and impartial manner, consistent with our policies and procedures.

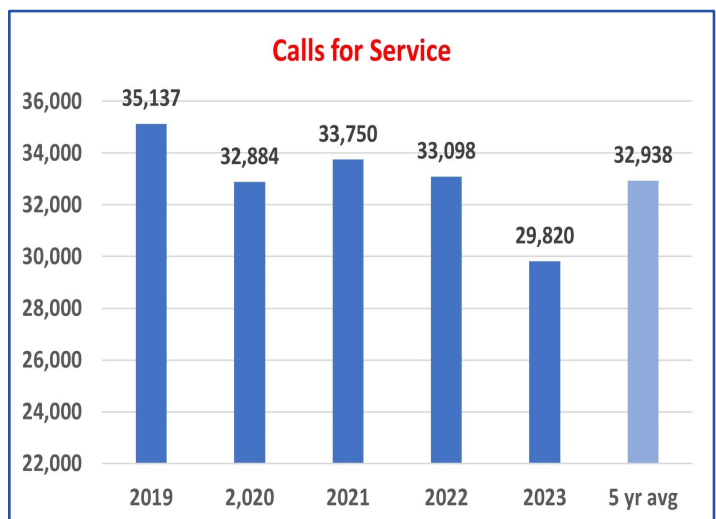
There are three shifts which our patrol division operates: 8AM-4PM, 4PM-12AM and 12AM-8PM. Each shift comprises both patrol officers and supervisors. Before each and every shift, the supervisor holds a briefing to go over what occurred in the city the previous day, exchanges information regarding certain cases and gives training to officers when needed.

Routine calls for service include domestic-related incidents, burglaries, larcenies, missing persons, overdoses, traffic and vehicle related issues, and mental health-related calls. When an incident requires follow-up or a more thorough investigation, the patrol officer will complete their preliminary report and forward it to the detective bureau. The patrol officer plays an important role for the detective's investigation as they secure and maintain the integrity of crime scenes, separate and interview witnesses for non-biased accounts of events, collect evidence, and thoroughly write their report which the detective uses to start their own investigation.

In July of 2023, Lt. Androsko was promoted to Captain of Patrol, where he oversees the patrol division, along with the School Resource Officer and Special Patrol Officer programs, the Drone Unit, and Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) Unit. He is also in charge of employee scheduling.



Captain Androsko - Patrol/SRO/SPO



DETECTIVE / ID BUREAU



The detective bureau investigates serious and/or complex crimes that require a multitude of training, experience and finesse. They also handle most juvenile cases and follow up with reported missing persons. Their investigations often entail using a variety of resources, interviewing multiple people, and extracting data from electronic sources in determining how to proceed with their case. Often among the most complex of investigations, sex crimes and child abuse cases remain the most frequently assigned cases for detectives.

The detective bureau consists of one captain and five detectives. The detective captain also oversees one identification officer, one sergeant in charge of body-worn cameras, and one civilian senior clerk.

The Detective Bureau remained busy in 2023, receiving 430 new cases and closing out 403 cases during 2023. They arrested 40 adults, consisting of 51 felonies and 36 misdemeanors. In addition, 48 juveniles were petitioned to Cayuga County Family Court.

Detective Stats	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
New/Assigned Cases	289	352	365	415	430
Closed Cases	249	301	347	410	403
Arrests	33	43	53	34	40
Felony/Misd Charges	31/16	45/44	81/50	46/35	51/36
Warrant Applied For	15	29	42	43	21
Search Warrants Executed	15	31	78	101	56

The Identification Bureau's primary responsibilities consist of processing crime scenes, managing the department's property and evidence room, and overseeing all sex offenders residing in the city. The bureau was assigned 959 new cases in 2023, and 2,605 items were received as evidence/property. On average, the Identification Bureau oversaw 161 sex offenders who resided within the city during the course of the year. As of the end of the year, the actual count was broken down as follows:

Level 1 Sex Offenders: 43

Level 2 Sex Offenders: 80

Level 3 Sex Offenders: 36

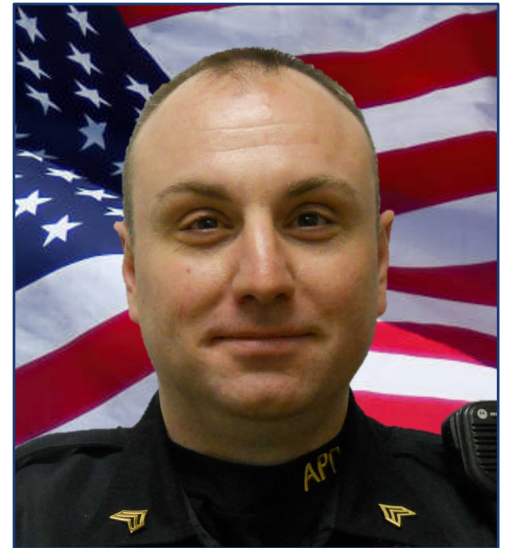
Per the Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), sex offender levels are determined based on risk, and the likelihood of reoffending. In general, the level is determined by the sentencing court. Level 1 represents a low risk of reoffending, level 2 a moderate risk, and level 3, a high risk. More information can be found on our website, at <https://www.auburnny.gov/police-department/pages/nys-sex-offender-registry>.

TRAFFIC DIVISION

The Traffic Division's main objectives are to enforce traffic laws, and educate the public on safe driving. Our goal is to reduce the number of collisions and injuries to drivers, passengers and pedestrians.

Our department put six new cars in service in 2023, in an on-going effort to replace our older vehicles with newer ones. This will reduce maintenance costs and give us the ability to turn over vehicles with less mileage and wear and tear to other departments within the city.

As part of the Government Traffic Safety Committee, our agency was awarded \$4,500 for the Buckle-Up NY grant, which was utilized for extra seatbelt enforcement. 53 seatbelt tickets and 31 various infraction tickets were issued during these details. We were also awarded \$21,000 under this committee to help curb aggressive driving. During these details, officers wrote 479 uniform traffic tickets, which included, but wasn't limited to: speeding, failing to yield, failing to obey traffic control devices (such as stop signs and traffic signals), improper or unsafe lane changes, and following too closely.



Sergeant Gilfus - Traffic Sergeant

The traffic sergeant oversees one full-time parking meter attendant, and one part-time parking enforcement attendant. During the year, these attendants wrote the majority of the 5,025 total parking tickets. The attendants also collect coins from, and perform maintenance on, parking meters. When available, they also respond to parking-related complaints. In addition, the sergeant manages the crossing guard program. As of the end of 2023, there were 13 part-time crossing guards who assisted children crossing the street to and from school.



TRAINING OFFICE



Sergeant Smith - Training and Planning

The training and planning office initiates training and development to all sworn officers, including recruitment, on-boarding and police academies for new officers. Sergeant Smith, our Training and Planning Sergeant, coordinates annual in-service training, mandatory labor law training, along with a variety of other training beneficial to the department. He is also a certified general topics instructor.

In 2023, our department hired two officers, Recruit Officer Morgan Jensen and Recruit Officer Nicholas Major. They began their training at the Syracuse Regional Police Academy in June, and graduated at the end of December 2023. Officer Fabiani, who was hired in December 2022, completed his academy and field training in 2023 and is now counts for manpower for the patrol division.

In 2023, our department trained a combined 12,620 hours, which included 4,848 hours of academy training for our recruit officers. Two officers graduated from our Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) school and are now permanent members of the team. Three officers attended Evidence Technician school and are now certified to process crime scenes. As part of our accreditation program, our agency meets or exceeds in-service training requirements, which includes use of force, use of deadly force, use of less lethal substances/devices, firearms, annual supervisory training and legal updates.

Our department completed a comprehensive Reality Based Training exercise, in November and December, in which members 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 circumstances, from the routine to the more extreme, in a rapid-fire sequence of events. The training is designed to make the officers quickly diagnose the situation they are presented with 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 stress and anxiety and causes a similar response to what 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 learning and confirming the different ways of handling police interactions with the citizenry of the City of Auburn. This training is designed to reduce use of force incidents and to assist officers with de-escalation in all police/ citizen interactions.



SRO/SPO PROGRAM



School Resource Officers (SRO) and Special Patrol Officers (SPO) continue to play an invaluable role within our schools, providing safety and support to students, teachers and parents. SROs aim to promote positive relationships between law enforcement and youths, as well as pointing them in the right direction by providing education, counseling, and being a positive role model.

During 2023, SRO/SPO Officers responded to 414 incidents during the school year, which required intervention or follow-up. There are currently 3 full-time SRO and 7 part-time SPO Officers, which provide coverage to all 7 city school district school buildings. In addition, SPO Officers provide security for City Hall, the Equal Rights Heritage Center and the city parking garage.

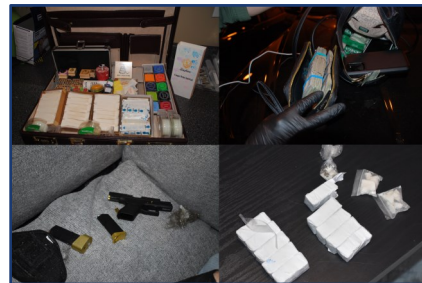
In December, students from the Auburn Enlarged City School District were invited to visit our department. Captain Androsko and members of the SRO/SPO program led the students on a tour of the building to meet officers and explain what different departments are responsible for. The tour gave students an opportunity to ask questions and to get a better understanding of how each bureau works together as a team to meet our department goals.



DRUG TASK FORCE

The Finger Lakes Drug Task Force (FLDTF), comprised of members of the Auburn Police Department, Cayuga County Sheriff's Office, and assisted by the New York State Police, the US Drug Enforcement Administration, and other police agencies within the Finger Lakes region, conduct investigations involving drug activity, vice-related crimes, and weapon complaints. They also assist with high-risk traffic stops and search warrants. In 2023, the FLDTF conducted 113 investigations, resulting in 25 arrests, 58 charges and 30 search warrants being executed. The below describes some of the investigations and seizures conducted by the task force:

On 01/03/23, a vehicle stop was conducted on Genesee St. near Baker Ave. in the City of Auburn with assistance from the Auburn Police Patrol Division, Cayuga County Sheriff's Road Patrol, and NYSP VGNET. The occupants were identified as Ralph Principio and Anna Colonnese. Principio was found to be in possession of a large quantity of US currency, heroin and fentanyl, which were packaged for resale, on his person. A search warrant for the vehicle being operated by Principio and Colonnese revealed over \$11,000 in US currency, in addition to other drug paraphernalia. As a result of a search conducted at 11 Madison Ave, approximately two hundred and forty-three grams of heroin, ninety-six grams of cocaine, and four hundred seventeen grams of a dangerous substance commonly referred to as molly, suspected LSD, US currency, and a muzzle loader style gun, were located and seized. Drug paraphernalia consisting of packaging materials for heroin and/or fentanyl, along with digital scales were located. The approximate street value of the recovered illicit drugs is \$48,000.



On 02/16/23 at about 1:04 am, Lt. Walters of APD conducted a traffic stop on a red Ford pick-up truck. The driver of the vehicle, Jessie Wright, was involved in a harassment complaint earlier in the night where he allegedly threatened the use of a firearm. During the vehicle stop, Wright became uncooperative and officers observed a large quantity of a white substance located in his hand. The substance did test positive for the presence of cocaine and weighed over 12 grams. At this time, the FLDTF was contacted to assist. A search warrant was obtained for the red Ford pick-up. During the execution of the search warrant an unloaded 9mm handgun was recovered from the vehicle. In addition to the firearm, over 80 grams of hallucinogenic mushrooms were recovered and tested positive for Psilocybin.



On 10/18/23 at about 1:30 A.M., the Finger Lakes Drug Task Force conducted a vehicle and traffic stop in the City of Auburn and detained the driver, Timothy P. Martin and the passenger, Lindsay M. Mitchell. A court authorized search of Martin's vehicle and residence were

conducted and investigators located a loaded semi-automatic handgun, 12-gauge shotgun, body armor, metal knuckles, over 100 glassine envelopes of fentanyl, 35 grams of methamphetamine, over 10 ounces of Dimethylpentylone (a synthetic or designer street drug commonly known as "molly"), digital weighing scales, and packaging commonly utilized in the distribution of street level quantities of narcotics. The loaded semi-automatic handgun was later determined to be reported as stolen out of Vestal, NY.

2023 FLDTF Seizures

Firearms / Other Weapons	13 / 31
Marihuana	158.1 g
Fentanyl / Fentanyl Pills	1,679.7 g / 50
Cocaine/Crack	381.5 g / 224.9 g
Heroin	243 g
Controlled Substances	365 doses
"Molly"	1,749.6 g
Methamphetamine	529.8 g
Cash	\$28,103.00

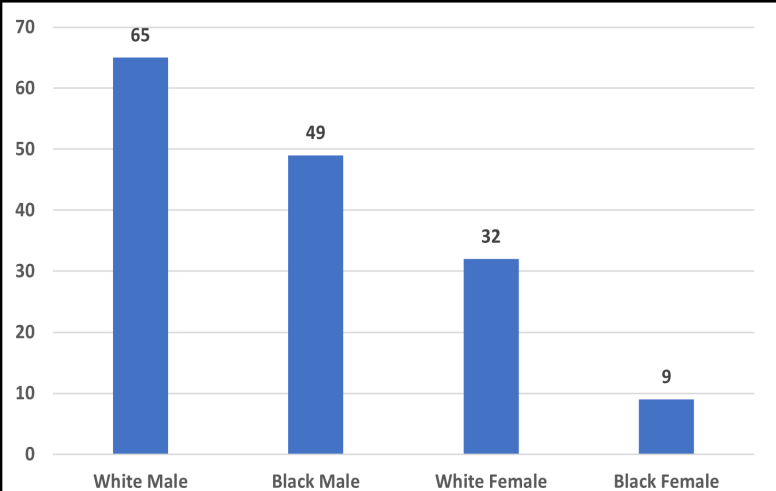
USE OF FORCE REPORT

In 2023, officers utilized force 267 times during 155 incidents, accounting for 0.52% of all calls for service. Use of force is counted for each officer who uses force. If two officers used force on the same subject during the same incident, this would count as two use of force incidents. If one officer used more than one type of force on one subject, this would count as only one use of force incident. As a result, the total uses of force will be higher than the total number of incidents where force was used. All use of force incidents require a Use of Force Report to ensure compliance with departmental policies and procedures. Any officer observing another officer using force that is clearly beyond what is objectively reasonable under the circumstances is to immediately intercede, when in a position to do so, to prevent the use of unreasonable force, as well as to promptly report the incident to a supervisor. During 2023, 53% of incidents involving use of force were hands-on only, meaning no weapons (Taser, OC spray, baton, firearm) were used or displayed.

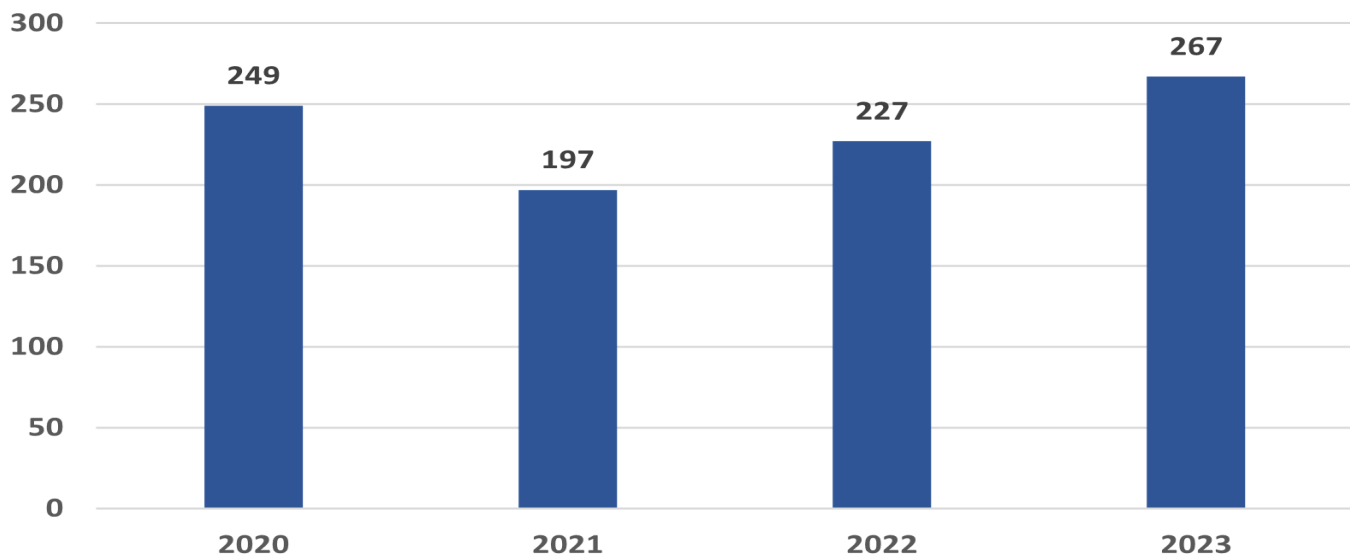
Type of Force Used - 2023

Hands-On	198
Taser Threatened	28
Taser Deployed	6
OC Spray Used	2
Baton Used	0
Firearm/Rifle/Shotgun Displayed	71
Firearm/Rifle/Shotgun Used	0

Use of Force, by Race and Gender - 2023



Use of Force 2020-2023



DEPARTMENT INITIATIVES

GUN-INVOLVED VIOLENCE

In July of 2023, our department received over \$120,000 in funding for the Gun-Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) initiative. Part of a multi-agency collaborative team, which consists of the Auburn Police Department, Cayuga County Sheriff's Office, New York State Police, Cayuga County Probation, Cayuga County District Attorney's Office, New York State Parole, and the Central New York Crime Analysis Center, our focus is on identifying individuals, and areas within the city, that present a greater risk to violent crimes, especially ones involving weapons. The grant is used to increase patrol presence in targeted areas to eliminate or reduce instances of violent crimes.



Gun recovered during GIVE detail

DRUG-TAKE BACK

We took part in two drug-take back events, with locations at Wegmans and the Auburn Elks Club. During these events, over 300 pounds of unwanted or expired prescriptions and other medications were dropped off for safe disposal or destruction. In addition, we also received over 221 lbs of unwanted medications from the drop box within our public lobby.



NEIGHBORS BY RING

We joined the Ring's Neighbors App in February, which further allows our department to alert citizens to crime and safety events, while also allowing users to upload their doorbell or other videos to our agency in an attempt to identify individuals who may have committed a crime. We can also utilize the software to send out alerts, and ask users in a specific geographic area for video assistance with pending investigations.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LIGHTBULB GIVEAWAY

Our department handed out 1,200 light bulbs to the community as part of our effort to reduce crime in neighborhoods. This in turn will help with lighting up streets and residences with new, brighter bulbs, to deter criminals and to help law enforcement identify suspects during crimes in progress. Oftentimes, homes which are not lit properly encourage criminal activity and a place for criminals to hide. We partnered with NYSEG who donated the bulbs.



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

During our annual National Night Out event, our department, along with other partners and sponsors, met with community members to talk about the multitude of resources our city provides. We also set up various displays for the public to look at, and ask questions about, such as our Drone Unit, evidence technician van and emergency response team van.



TORCH RUN

Members of our department participated in the Special Olympics Torch Run, on June 8th, to help raise donations and awareness for individuals with intellectual disabilities and to promote inclusion within our community. Pictured from L-R are Officer Withers, Officer Dranczak and Officer Bucci.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



RUARISPARKLE TUTU RUN

As in previous years, we participated in this event to support children and their families. Several members of our department raced 2.2 miles to raise donations for, and help bring comfort to, children with cancer. From left to right: Officer Baim, Officer Schattinger, Officer Parker, Sgt. Edmonds, Sgt. Smith, Officer Bucci and Officer Fabiani.



MARCH FOR MEALS

Members of our department had the opportunity to tag along for the March for Meals Campaign, which was organized by the Cayuga County Office for the Aging Nutrition Program. We were honored to assist the amazing people who set up meals, prepare routes and deliver the meals to members of our community.



SHOP WITH A COP

In conjunction with the Auburn Correctional Facility, our department took part in collecting donations from our agency members and community and used the donations to bring 17 children shopping at Walmart for Christmas presents for their families, as well as giving them all grocery gift cards to Wegmans. The children were also able to meet the Grinch!

JOIN OUR TEAM



- **Competitive Salary**
- **15 Vacation Days**
- **20 Vacation Days after 5 yrs**
- **13 Paid Holidays**
- **Personal Days**
- **Shift Differential Pay**
- **Advancement Opportunities**
- **20 Year Retirement**

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