



## BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

# 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

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# The Chief's Letter



**Supervisor Dani Walsh  
Treasurer Brian Kepes  
Clerk Martin Brook  
Bloomfield Township Board Members**

**Reflecting on 2020, it proved to be the most demanding year that I have faced in my career. In the 2019 Annual Report introduction, I proclaimed that the men and women of the Bloomfield Township Police Department were prepared to face any challenge and 2020 presented many, all at once. I am proud of how the Bloomfield Township community responded to the COVID-19 pandemic and how this police department stepped up to help the residents. The police department took on duties we never imagined that we would. We had officers manning a help line and assisting residents by picking up prescriptions and groceries, so they could stay home and not be exposed to COVID-19. We assigned officers to children's birthday drive by's, so the kids could celebrate their special day without exposing themselves. We enacted crime reporting over the phone, again, so residents could limit their exposure to the virus. Our duties changed during the pandemic, but we continued in our mission to "Preserve the peace and protect our community with fairness, integrity, pride and respect".**

**While working through COVID we witnessed the civil unrest that gripped the nation during the summer months. I am proud to report that our police department has stayed in front of the law enforcement reforms that are being discussed and we have stayed true to our core values of fairness, integrity, pride and respect. The MACP Accreditation we obtained in 2020 ensured that our Policies and Procedures are best practices. We enacted new policies that prohibit chokeholds and neck restraints. No knock search warrants are allowed only with approval from a judge and with approval from the Office of the Chief. We have become more transparent by posting our annual Use of Force and Pursuits review reports and our Policies and Procedures on our website. We have been approved to purchase new in-car and body worn cameras for our officers and those should be deployed in the next few months. Finally, we are working on two new programs that should be in place by the end of this summer. The Mental Health Co-Responder Program with Auburn Hills and Birmingham will bring mental health experts into our police departments. The Law Enforcement Transparency website will quickly and easily allow our residents to see Calls for Service, Arrest, Citation and Citizen Complaint data. These changes will ensure that we are transparent and working to fulfill our mission.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Philip Langley".

# Mission Statement

*“To preserve the peace and protect our community with fairness, integrity, pride, and respect.”*



# ADMINISTRATION



**Administrative Assistant  
Lori Kerr**



**Chief of Police  
Phil Langmeyer**



**Investigations Captain  
Dan Edwards**



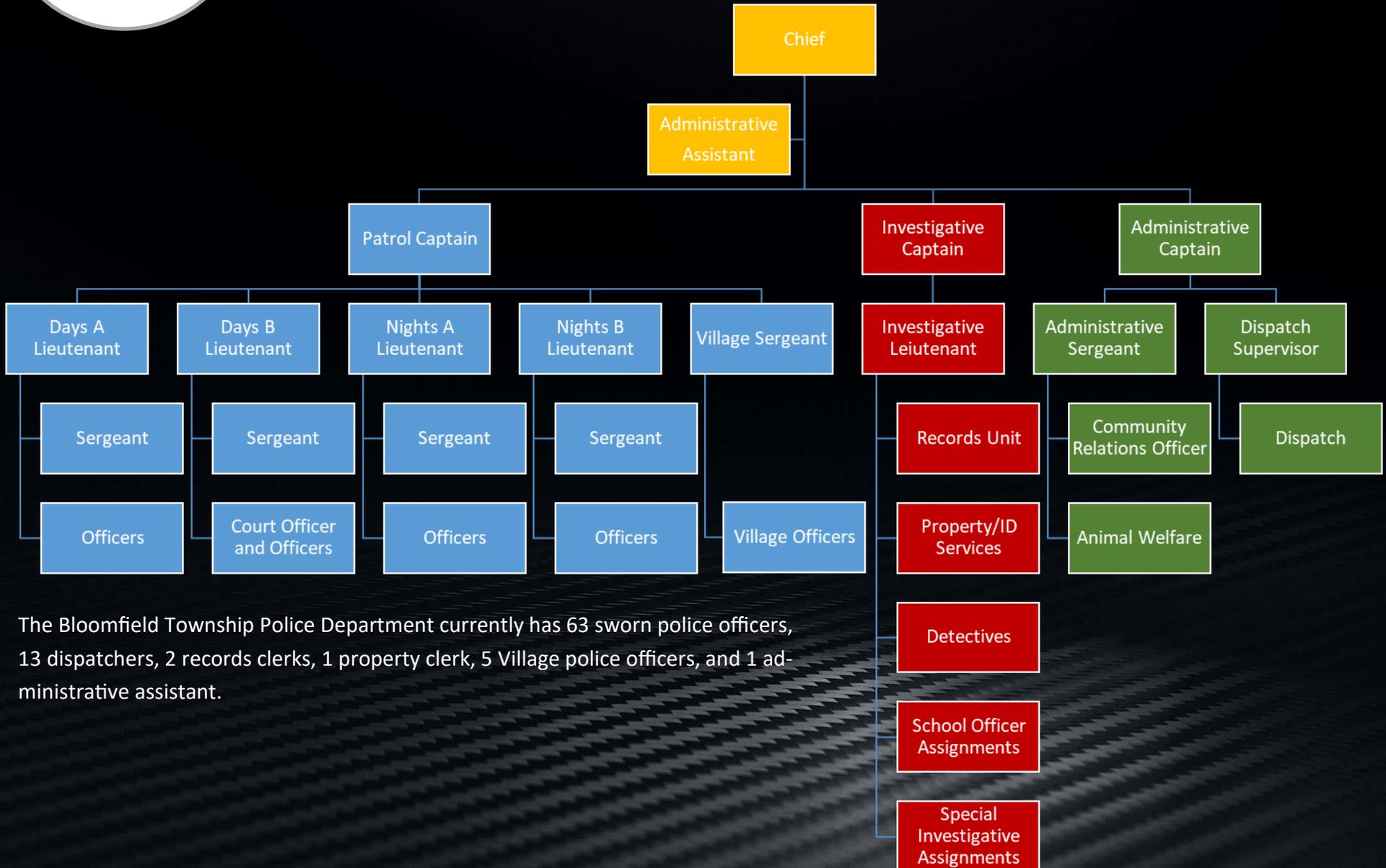
**Administrative Captain  
Jim Gallagher**



**Patrol Captain  
Jeff Nolan**



# ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



The Bloomfield Township Police Department currently has 63 sworn police officers, 13 dispatchers, 2 records clerks, 1 property clerk, 5 Village police officers, and 1 administrative assistant.



# ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION



**Sgt. Pete Matejczik**  
**Administrative Sergeant**

The Administrative Division is made up of an Administrative Captain, an Administrative Sergeant, the Community Relations Officer, the Dispatch Supervisor, Dispatch, and Animal Welfare. The Administrative Sergeant is responsible to perform a wide range of administrative functions for the police department including overseeing equipment, and supervising the overall operations and maintenance of the firearms range. The Administrative Sergeant is responsible for the effective operation of the Traffic Investigation officers in all of their function. The Administrative Sergeant responds to miscellaneous needs of the Office of the Chief of Police and Captains as needed. The administrative division is truly the glue that holds the department together.



The division is responsible for crime prevention activities through the Community Relations Officer, coordinating training of officers, and bears the responsibility for the effective operation of the Communication Unit and related functions.



# COMMUNITY RELATIONS



**Ofc. Nicholas Soley,  
Community Relations Officer**

In 2002, the Bloomfield Township Police Department established the Community Relations Officer position to provide our community direct access to the police department. The Community Relations Officer provides a vast array of services. Some of these services include:

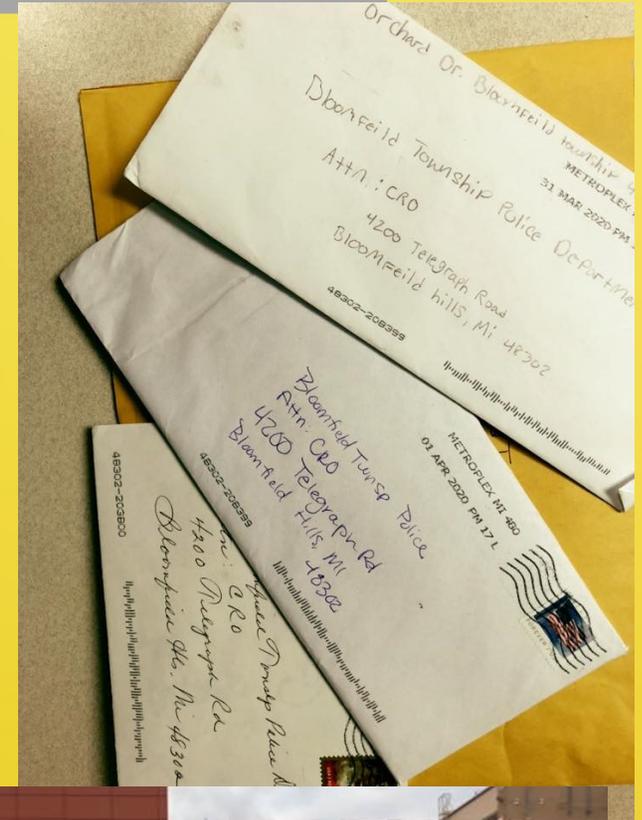
- Developing Crime Prevention strategies for businesses and homeowners
- Assist local houses of worship with improving security plans
- Meet with neighborhood associations
- Compile and analyze crime statistics and develop plans to prevent future crimes
- Speak at various civic events concerning crime prevention
- Maintain Social Media
- Community Outreach



The Community Relations Officer performs many functions such as conducting home security surveys, hosting station tours, and researching and publishing crime prevention information. Also, the Community Relations Officer interacts with our followers on social media platforms to engage our community and answer questions. To contact the Community Relations Officer, call (248) 433-7724 or email [CRO@Bloomfieldtp.org](mailto:CRO@Bloomfieldtp.org)



# COMMUNITY PROGRAMS



COVID-19 and social distancing changed the way we interact with our community. The police department took part in over 100 birthday and special occasion 'drive-bys'. We organized a letter drive for health care workers. The township received hundreds of letters and pictures from our youngest community members and delivered them to frontline health care heroes. Our Officers participated in dozens of "Hospital Solidarity Laps" with other police and fire agencies from across Michigan to show support for our hospital workers. While it was a tough year, we made the most of it by coming together and sharing in the sense of community.





# COMMUNITY PROGRAMS



Giving back to the community is important to our staff. During the COVID-19 pandemic our officers and dispatchers organized a safe and socially distanced can and bottle drive. Through the support of our community, Bloomfield Township was able to raise \$28,970.20 for the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run. This donation earned Bloomfield Township the title of Emerald Level Donor through the Special Olympics of Michigan.





# COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

*Holiday*  
**GIFT CARD DRIVE**  
**TOTAL AMOUNT \$11,875**

A graphic for a "Holiday Gift Card Drive" with a white ribbon on a dark blue background. Below the text are the logos for Auburn Hills Police and Bloomfield Township Police.

The Bloomfield Township Police Department partnered with the Auburn Hills Police Department in a Holiday Gift Card Drive. Bloomfield Township raised \$9,730 in gift cards to distribute to those in need throughout our community and surrounding communities.



No-Shave-November is an annual charity our department participates in. Officers are permitted to step outside of policy and grow their beards or mustaches October, November, December, and January at the cost of donations to charity. The Bloomfield Township Police Department raised over \$5,000 in these four months. Donations were made to the Wilson Cancer Resource Center, the MIU Men's Health Foundation for Prostate Cancer Awareness, Public Safety Christmas giving, and the Special Olympics.





# COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

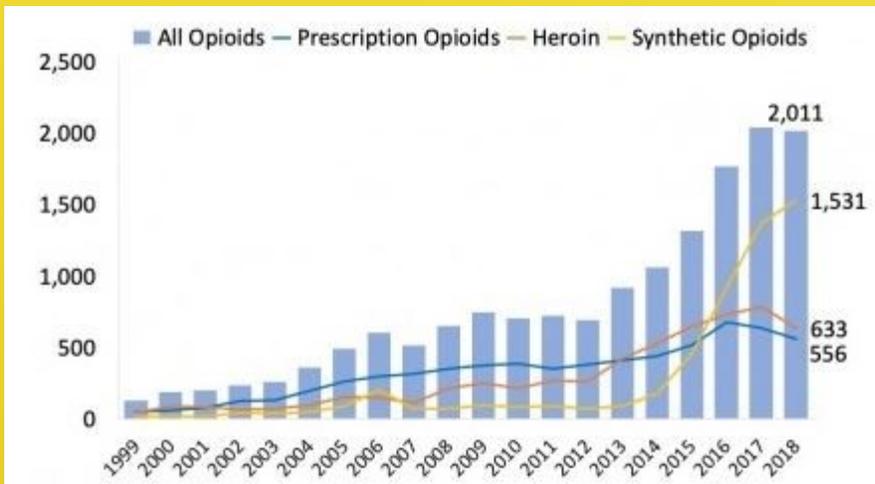
## COVID-19 HELP LINE

During the uncertain times of COVID-19, Bloomfield Township implemented a COVID-19 Help Line. This Help Line was manned by the Bloomfield Township Police Department. Officers went grocery shopping, picked up prescriptions, and ran other essential errands for residents who did not want to be exposed to COVID-19. Officers personally delivered items to resident's homes in a safe contact-free manner.





# COMMUNITY PROGRAMS



**Figure 1. Number of drug and opioid-involved overdose deaths in Michigan, by opioid category.** Drug categories presented are not mutually exclusive, and deaths may have involved more than one substance. Source: CDC WONDER, 2020.

\*Data collected from the CDC and CDC WONDER

The nation is in the midst of an epidemic. The National Institute on Drug Abuse reported more than 2,000 people died from opioid-related overdose in Michigan in 2018. While the 2019 and 2020 statistics have not yet been released, there is no reason to believe this trend will abate anytime soon.

A rise in prescription drug abuse and overdose deaths during recent years makes Operation Medicine Cabinet a necessary part of prevention. By raising awareness about the use, storage and safe disposal of all medication, Operation Medicine Cabinet is working to keep harmful drugs from falling into the wrong hands. Operation Medicine Cabinet provides an environmentally responsible means to dispose of prescription medications.

In our commitment to fighting this public health emergency, Bloomfield Township Police is continuing our partnership in Operation Medicine Cabinet. The public may drop off unused / un-needed prescription drugs at the front desk of the police department 24/7, no questions asked. If you would like to find another drop off location, visit [Oakgov.com](http://Oakgov.com) or click [HERE](#).



# COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

## Extra Eyes Program

There was a time when only banks, airports, and businesses had video surveillance systems. They were costly and required professional installation. That was then. This is now.

Video surveillance systems are everywhere now, even in millions of American homes. They take the form of dedicated Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) systems, video doorbells, and webcams. All of these cameras can be great tools for fighting and prosecuting crime.

That's why in 2018 we adopted the Extra Eyes Program, a national campaign asking homeowners to voluntarily register their exterior security camera systems and video doorbells with the police.

In the event of criminal activity in a given area, the police may ask registrants to review their camera footage to see what, if anything, was captured. Participation is voluntary *and the police will never have direct access to the camera system.*

Those wishing to participate can register [HERE](#) (link).

Questions?

Contact the Community Relations Officer at 248-433-7724.

**CRIME PREVENTION TIP:** Surveillance cameras do not necessarily *prevent* crime, they just witness it. Don't let them give you a false sense of security! Keeping your home and business safer requires a comprehensive security plan in which cameras play just one part.



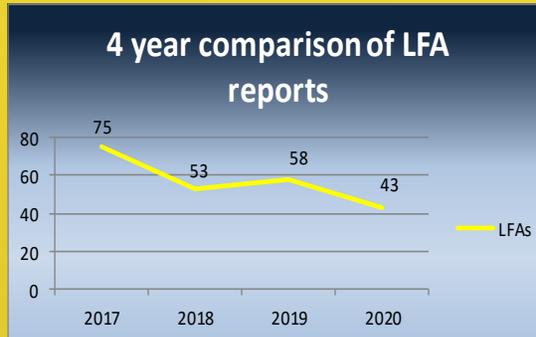


# COMMUNITY PROGRAMS



## Lock It or Lose It

The best place for your vehicle is in a closed and locked garage, as a vehicle parked outside is always a target for crime. The contents, vehicle parts, and even the entire vehicle are at risk! We subscribe to the national initiative of “Lock It or Lose It,” an outreach program encouraging the community to remove valuables from their vehicle and lock the doors. While it’s difficult to measure crime prevention efforts with certainty, “Lock It or Lose It” may be having an effect: In 2020 Bloomfield Township saw nearly a 26% reduction in reported Larcenies From Auto (LFA).



## Identity Theft Prevention

Identity Theft is one of the fastest growing crimes in the nation. In 2017 alone, 16.7 million Americans were impacted, with estimated losses at \$16.8 billion.\* So, in 2018, the department assigned a detective to the Detroit Metro Identity Fraud Task Force. This F.B.I. partnership provides us with greater resources to investigate and combat this crime.

But, our fight doesn’t stop there; the department has initiated a public education program to reduce the chances of our residents becoming the latest statistics. We are constantly posting up to date trends in identify thefts on social media. We have partnered with our local businesses and banks in educating them on scams and identity thefts to help prevent a citizen from becoming a victim.

\*Source: [Javelin Strategy Research](#) (LINK)

**Crime Prevention Tip:** Your phone rings, a person claiming to be from Microsoft tells you that your computer is infected with a virus. The caller tells you to log onto a website to begin the repair. Once you have, your computer is infected with a real virus, or the scammer (that’s right, it’s *not* Microsoft calling!) takes over control of your computer, locking it up and the data on it. They hold your computer hostage (and the data on it), demanding several hundred dollars via iTunes gift card, or Pre-Paid Gift Card. You send them the money, and they’ll unlock your computer...or, not. If you get one of these calls, just hang up. They almost always originate overseas, so once you send the money, it’s gone.



# COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

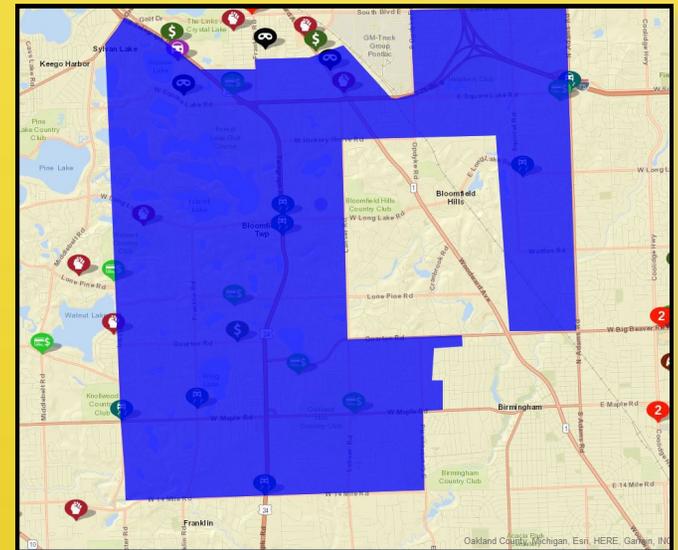
Crime stats are at your fingertips with [CRIMEMAPPING.COM](http://CRIMEMAPPING.COM)! See what's happening in our community and those around us, and the crimes you may not hear about in the media. Bloomfield Township Police Department subscribes to Crimemapping.com and the data is updated regularly.

## How to get started:

- Visit [www.crimemapping.com](http://www.crimemapping.com) or click [HERE](#)
- Enter your address on the left or chose the State and Police Agency you would like to search
- Then click "GO"
- That's it!

Crimemapping.com provides you with crime types, times, and general locations, as well as a report number. If you would like more information about the crime, you can use that report number and submit a Freedom of Information Act request to get a copy of the report.

\*The statistics are not real time and there may be a delay between an event and the time it appears on the website.



## CRIMEMAPPING.com

Helping You Build a Safer Community



# ANIMAL WELFARE



The Bloomfield Township Animal Welfare was welcomed back in August 2020. It is comprised of one full-time Animal Welfare Officer and one part-time officer. These officers, operating from the Town-

ship's state-certified animal shelter respond to calls for service involving domestic and farm animals, as well as wildlife.

Typical calls for service include barking dog complaints, loose dogs, animal bites, deceased animals, and animal cruelty complaints. However, we deal with wildlife that occasionally find their way into a home, such as bats and squirrels. For nuisance wildlife, we loan our residents traps that will safely catch an animal for relocation.

The animal shelter also provides temporary housing for lost animals. We go to great lengths to find and reunite lost animals with their owners. In 2020, The animal shelter took in 70 cats and dogs.

If you are interested in adopting a pet or want to inquire about our services, please call us at 248-433-7757, or click [HERE](#) (LINK).



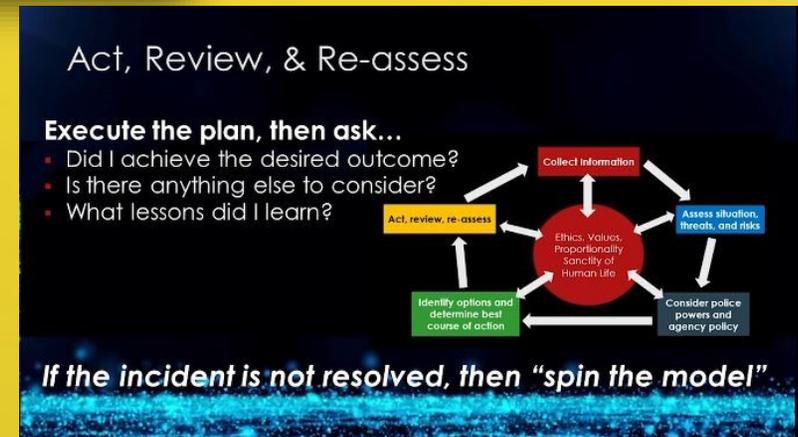


# TRAINING CADRE

The training cadre provides our officers the tools necessary to deliver the highest level of service to our residents and other end users. Most of this training occurs during quarterly in-house training, where they are instructed on the most current best practices in the profession.

Quarterly training includes topics such as: basic life-saving, CPR / AED, defensive tactics, verbal and de-escalation skills, firearms, active shooter response, and implicit bias.

Effective training maximizes the chances of a successful outcome following high-stress or critical incidents. It's a lot to ask, but no one was ever born a great police officer; they were trained.





# DISPATCH



**Meg Fouss**

**Dispatch Supervisor**

Bloomfield Township's 911 Dispatch Center, also known as a Public Safety Access Point (PSAP), receives incoming emergency and non-emergency phone calls and dispatches the appropriate services to that location (police, fire, and EMS).

The center is equipped with the latest emergency telecommunications technology, including Enhanced 9-1-1 and Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD). Together, the location and phone number of a caller is displayed on a map, as well as fire and police assets. This assures the most efficient delivery of services.

Dispatch operates 24 hours a day and consists of 12 Dispatchers distributed over 4 shifts and 1 Dispatch Supervisor. All communications personnel receive extensive training related to emergency and non-emergency operations.

In addition to their duties, dispatchers also monitor the radio traffic of several agencies, including the Michigan State Police, Oakland County Sheriff, and area fire departments. Dispatchers also send and receive information through the Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN) and the National Crime Information Communications (NCIC) network.

In 2020, our Dispatch Center dispatched 33,690 calls-for-service and answered 72,426 phone calls.

In 2020, the Bloomfield Township Police Department began dispatching for Franklin Village and Bingham Farms.

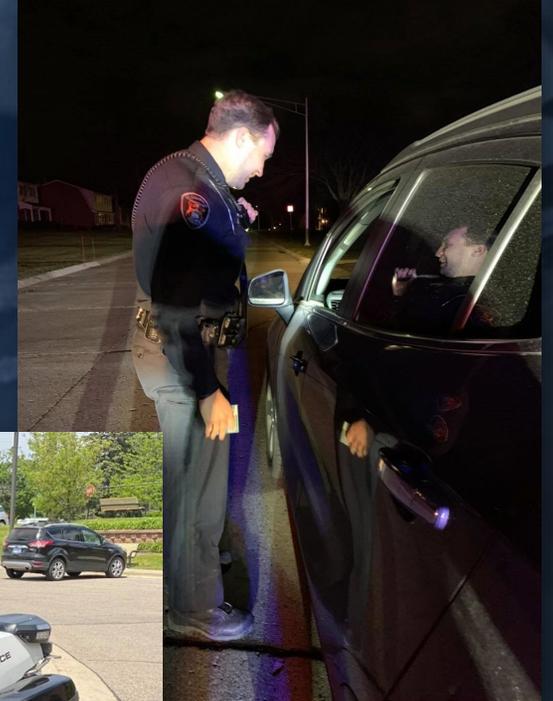
	2019	2020
Calls For Service	33,690	23,778
Total Phone Calls	100,000	72,426

**“Why so many questions?”**: When calling for police or fire assistance, dispatchers try to get as much information as possible for the responding units so they can take action upon arrival. It is important to remember that while dispatchers are asking questions, the police or fire department are already on the way.



# PATROL DIVISION

The most visible function of a police department is patrol. When someone calls, they expect professional police response in a timely manner. Patrol is the largest division in the department, consisting of 36 uniformed officers, 8 supervisors, and two K-9 teams. Patrol personnel are organized into four platoons, providing around-the-clock police service. While the men and women of the Patrol Division do a great job, they continuously strive to improve the delivery of services to the community.





# PATROL DIVISION



## When should you call 911 vs. when should you call the Non-Emergency number

In an emergency situation, dialing 9-1-1 is **always** the best response. While driving and you see something requiring police response, 9-1-1 is an easier way to report it, minimizing distraction. However, the 9-1-1 system transfers your call to the "closest" police station not always the correct police station. Know your location and tell the call taker where you are and they will get you in contact with the correct police department. Also remember, dialing our non-emergency number ( 248.433.7755 ) whenever possible will keep our limited number of 9-1-1 lines available for other emergency calls.



# SERVICE ORIENTED POLICING

**Service Oriented Policing** is an integration of a police agency with its community. Through an interactive partnership with the community, a greater percentage of crimes can be solved, and the public safety concerns of the residents can be addressed. But, there's more to this.

The goal is to work with our community to prevent crimes from occurring in the first place; working proactively to keep our community safer. Toward this end, we meet regularly with neighborhood associations, business owners, and houses of worship concerning crime prevention and safety protocols. Frequently, we post crime prevention tips on social media outlets and encourage our community members to speak up when something suspicious occurs.

The Police Department offers a number of community-care taking services, such as:

- **Vacation House Checks**: When a resident leaves their home for an extended period of time, they are encouraged to contact us, providing their dates of departure and return, and emergency contact information. In addition, we will check your home on a regular basis while you're away.
- **Vehicle Lockouts**: It's frustrating and we've all done it. The Bloomfield Township Police Department still assists motorists who've found themselves in this situation. If you find yourself locked out of your vehicle, call us at 248-433-7755 for assistance.
- **School Security Checks**: It's not unusual to find our officers doing a walk through the schools in Bloomfield Township. It's part of our commitment to a safer community, but it also allows our youth to interact with police offices in a positive context.

As a full service police department, we take great pride in responding to the needs of our community. We enforce traffic law and ordinances, investigate a wide variety of crimes, and provide for the public order. We also offer services such as vacation home checks and vehicle lockouts.

Service Oriented Police Calls	
Vehicle Lock outs	366
House Security Checks	2,099
School Security Checks	414
Citizen Assists	575



# COURT OFFICER



Ofc. Jennifer Overby,  
Court Officer

The Court Officer (currently Officer Jen Overby) is responsible for the safe transport of prisoners to and from our station, various jail facilities, and the 48<sup>th</sup> District Court. Occasionally, she'll go to other police agencies to pick up individuals arrested on outstanding warrants from Bloomfield Township.

Officer Overby manages the storage and release of prisoner property. But, her duties don't end there! She is also the department's "Livescan" (fingerprint machine) administrator, ensuring the equipment is working properly and coordinate with county databases for updates and training.

The Court Officer works with the Bloomfield Township prosecutor, State Law prosecutor, and the 48<sup>th</sup> District Court as Police Department's liaison, delivering subpoenas, reports, and videos.

Another function of the court officer is to obtain traffic warrants from the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office, such as Operating While Impaired, Driving on Suspended License, and Flee and Elude charges. Once arrest warrants are issued from the Prosecutor's Office, they swear to the warrant at the court. After the warrant is issued by the Judge/Magistrate, the Court Officer contacts the individual named in the warrant (or their attorney) and explain the charges as well as assist them with making arrangements to appear in court.



Court Officer Activities	
Warrants Sworn To	75
Prisoners Transported	*

\*Prisoner Transports were stopped due to COVID-19 procedure changes



# EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN



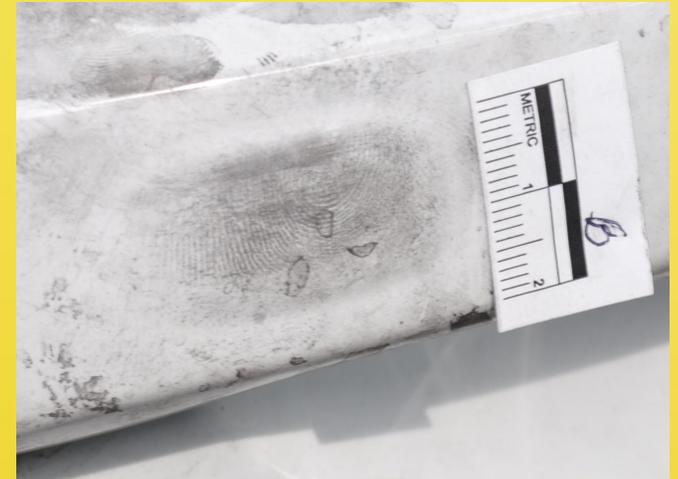
**Ofc. Marisa Miller,  
Evidence Technician**

When a crime occurs, an **Evidence Technician** is often called to process available evidence. These specially trained patrol officers are the real-life 'CSI' technician we've seen on TV. They are road patrol officers who have taken on the additional responsibilities of being experts in photography, latent fingerprint development and processing, DNA collection, as well as casting tire and footwear impressions.

Evidence Technicians must successfully complete an 80-hour basic crime scene course. However, throughout their career, they'll complete extensive in-service training on trace evidence processing and collection. This enables our Evidence Technicians to investigate more serious crime scenes with greater expertise.

Currently, the department has 14 certified Evidence Technicians, distributed over the four platoons in the patrol division, providing our community with their expertise 24 hours a day.

In 2020, our Evidence Technicians processed hundreds of crime scenes, ranging from vehicle break-ins (LFA), Retail Frauds, counterfeit money cases, home invasions, and death Investigations.





# K-9 UNIT



**Ofc. Angela Carlson,  
K-9 Handler**

K-9s are an invaluable tool in law enforcement, but they're not new to the Bloomfield Township Police Department. In fact, our department has one of the oldest K-9 programs in the state! But, we also continue the long tradition of assisting other jurisdictions when they need K-9 support.

Dogs can be trained for a specialty, such as explosives or cadaver detection. However, our patrol dogs are used to locate contraband, tracking suspects and missing persons, and aggression control.



**Ofc. Jason Follman  
K-9 Handler**



**K-9 Vince**

<b>2019 K-9 Activity</b>		
<b>Activity</b>	<b>Vince / Ofc. Carlson</b>	<b>Max / Ofc. Follman</b>
Drug Searches Within Bloomfield Twp.	7	7
Drug Searches Other Jurisdictions	3	5
Utility Calls Within Bloomfield Twp.	8	19
Utility Calls Outside Bloomfield Twp.	11	10
Demonstrations	9	0

\*Low numbers due to K-9 Vince being in the academy and COVID-19 policy on in person demonstrations



**K-9 Max**



# FIELD TRAINING OFFICER (FTO)



Ofc. Manor reviewing training with  
FTO Shoemaker



Ofc. Harwood looking through reports with  
FTO Wegienka

No one is born a great police officer; *they're trained*. When we hire a new officer fresh from the police academy or a veteran from another department, they all go through the Field Training Officer Program (FTO). The 16-week program consists of 12 very experienced officers tasked with training the department's next generation, each dedicated to mentoring and developing the new recruit to the department's standards..

How does one become a Bloomfield Township Police Officer? Firstly, all of our officers must possess a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university at the time of application. Then, the candidate must successfully graduate from a state certified police academy. After psychological and medical testing and being hired, a recruit officer's first two weeks of employment consist of in-house training. This training includes: firearms, report writing, radio communications, policies and procedures, defensive tactics, and much more.

At the conclusion of this two week training, new officers receive their badge and are sworn in by the Township Clerk. They are then assigned to a Primary FTO who will begin their rigorous and comprehensive 4-month field training program. Every day of this program, their performance is evaluated by their FTO and once a week, by a supervisor. Chances are this new officer has never faced such day-to-day scrutiny in their life.

The FTO program consists of four phases of training, each phase approximately four weeks long. The new officer will be required to work different shifts under the guidance of several FTO's.

Throughout the FTO program, the new officer will be tested frequently to assure mastery of core concepts.



# DRUG RECOGNITION EXPERT



**Ofc. Chris Solimano**  
**Drug Recognition Expert**

Drug Recognition Experts (DREs) are officers who have successfully completed the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)/ International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) approved Drug Evaluation and Classification Training Program. This program's training last several weeks and includes class work and practical assessments.

A DRE, amongst other things, is qualified to conduct a standard and systematic evaluation of an individual to determine: if the subject exhibits signs of intoxication; if those signs are caused by drug(s) or by some other issue, such as illness or injury, and; the broad category or categories of drug(s) which are likely to have caused such intoxication. The DRE process is validated by both scientific studies and case law.

The DRE program began in the 1980's and has since been adopted by every state in the country. Currently, there are approximately 140 DREs throughout the state of Michigan. The Bloomfield Township Police Department has two certified DREs in good standing.



**MICHIGAN**

**Drugged driving crashes surging  
across Michigan**

*As drunken driving deaths decline, drugged driving deaths are on the rise.*

*\*Detroit Free Press*



# BLOOMFIELD VILLAGE POLICE DEPT

The Bloomfield Village Police Station is located at 3595 Bradway Blvd. in Bloomfield Village, MI. Bloomfield Village Police officers may be contacted by calling the dispatch at 248-433-7755, or in an emergency, 911.

The Bloomfield Village Police Department is funded through a special assessment on Bloomfield Village residents. Village police officers are sworn law enforcement officers under authority of the Bloomfield Township Police Department.

The Bloomfield Village Police Department is a directed patrol unit of the Bloomfield Township Police Department. The Bloomfield Village Association contracts with Bloomfield Township Police to hire experienced Police officers. These officers are then assigned to patrol areas within Bloomfield Village.

Bloomfield Village officers maintain an increased police presence within the village limits and their primary duty is to respond to calls for service from its residents.

Village officers assist Township officers when needed in other areas of Bloomfield Township.



**Sgt. Roger Hurd,  
Bloomfield Village PD**



Bloomfield Village P.D.			
Description	2018	2019	2020
Property Damage Traffic Crash	105	105	68
Personal Injury Traffic Crash	17	23	14
Alarm	264	233	179
Arrest	7	22	7
Assist Citizen	202	125	126
Medical Emergency	84	72	29
Attempt Home Invasion	0	0	0
Home Invasion	2	2	0
House Check	3,906	4,591	3430
Larceny/Theft/Fraud	26	8	19
Identity Theft	12*	6	21
Miscellaneous	218	282	263
Malicious Destruction of Property	1	1	1
Lost/Found Property	2	1	4
School Checks	69	91	56
Suspicious Circumstance	83	66	48



# INVESTIGATIONS



**Lt. Paul Schwab,**  
**Investigations Lieutenant**

The mission of the Investigations Division is to identify, target, arrest and successfully prosecute individuals involved in criminal activity as well as recover stolen property. The Investigations Division is managed by a lieutenant who oversees the investigations, assigns cases and handles day-to-day operations. There are four Detectives in the Investigations Division as well as two school related positions, School Liaison Officer (SLO) and the School Security Officer (SSO).

The Detectives establish and maintain liaisons with other law enforcement agencies, State and District Attorney's Offices as well as the local State and District courts. The Detectives participate in all forms of investigative activities including: conducting surveillance, obtaining and serving arrest warrants and search warrants, and probation and parole searches. Detectives also monitor and verify compliance with registered sex offenders.

Detectives are carefully selected for the Investigations Division based on experience, work ethic and the ability to conduct in-depth criminal investigations. They investigate complex and demanding cases, which could take months, sometimes years, to fully investigate. Our Detectives develop an advanced level of expertise by attending specialized training and working complex cases with colleagues at the local, state, and federal levels.

In 2020, the investigations bureau had a 28% clearance rate. Detectives made 72 arrests as a result of their investigations and follow-up.

## **Some notable cases from 2020 include:**

**Detectives investigated a child exploitation case. The suspect contacted a young child through a popular kids application. Detectives were able to identify a suspect in Ellis County, Kansas. Working with the local agency in Oklahoma, an arrest was made. The investigation led to other suspects and this incident became an international case.**

**Detectives investigated a strong arm robbery that occurred at a local drug store. The investigation lead detectives to a suspect who was identified and arrested. The suspect was arraigned at the 48th District Court**



# RECORDS BUREAU



**Nina Houghton,  
Records Clerk**

The Records Division handles much more than just reports. In addition to processing Freedom of Information Act (F.O.I.A.) requests, the Records Division has several other responsibilities.

The Records Division also works closely with the Detective Bureau to ensure registered sex offenders are in compliance with the MI Sex Offender Registry. As of this report, there are 13 registrants within Bloomfield Township.

This Division is also responsible for Bloomfield Township's Residential Alarm records. This includes registering new alarm systems and issuing warnings and fines for false alarms. The first two false alarms in a calendar year are free of charge. The third and subsequent false alarms are \$50.00 each. Every time there is a call to a false alarm two officers are dispatched to the address. Those officers are unable to answer other calls for service, enforce traffic laws or conduct proactive patrol activities. Errors aside, we understand power failures or storms can cause false alarms and be out of your control.

Amongst all those duties, they also issue and record handgun registrations. In 2020, our department registered 1,443 handguns to residents. Handgun registration increased nearly 60% from 2019.



**Renee Vance,  
Records Clerk**

## Records Department 2020

FOIA Requests	317
Video Requests	187
911 Calls Copied	54
Dog Tags	268



**Adult Fingerprinting:** The Police Department will ink fingerprint people for non-criminal purposes such as employment, adoption, licensing, securities, etc. The cost is \$10.00 for up to two fingerprint cards and \$5.00 for each additional card. The Police Department does not do Livescans electronic fingerprints for any non-criminal purpose.



# EVIDENCE/PROPERTY



**Shawn Gardner,  
Property Clerk**

The Evidence/Property Division receives, catalogs, safely stores, and maintains the integrity of evidence, found items and property for safekeeping.

The Evidence/Property Clerk is required to follow state and federal statutes and strives to be in compliance with Michigan and National law enforcement practices in the evidence/property guidelines. Due to frequent changes in the laws, policies and procedures are updated in these practices frequently. It is the responsibility of the Evidence/Property Clerk to stay current on evolving trends in legal processes involving evidence and property.

The Evidence/Property Clerk is relied on by the Police Department to maintain security and control of all items taken into the department for storage, and safekeeping, as well as the release and disposal of all property. It is the responsibility of the clerk to ensure evidence items are properly tracked and monitored for court exhibits, discovery and laboratory examination.

There are thousands of pieces of evidence and property; hundreds of items are sent to be auctioned or properly disposed of each year. The clerk has constant checks and balances including audits, inventories and random spot checks; which are performed throughout the year to ensure all policies and practices are being followed.

**\*933 Pieces of Property processed in 2020\***



# SCHOOL SECURITY OFFICER



**Ofc. Cory Donberger,  
School Security Officer**

The School Security Officer has a unique role within two organizations. Officer Donberger is a fully sworn police officer with the Bloomfield Township Police Department and the District Security Officer assigned to Bloomfield Hills Schools. The majority of his time is spent working directly with students, staff, administrators, and central office with safety and security issues and planning district wide. Officer Donberger’s role is to support the district by developing and implementing security protocols at both the district and building level. He regularly evaluates the protocols for effectiveness, based on the current best practices. He supports the regular monitoring of medical equipment (such as the AEDs and EpiPens) and technology support (such as E-911 and the BluePoint system). Officer Donberger also trains staff and students in active shooter response and other types of emergencies.

Officer Donberger regularly attends training classes and conferences that focus on school safety and security. The district initially sought the partnership with Bloomfield Township Police Department in 2013, and has continued the relationship annually. At that time, Bloomfield Hills Schools expressed an interest in creating a position to focus mainly on district/school safety, recognizing that they were experts in handling emergencies and overall safety and security issues.

Officer Donberger also assists in investigating some crimes that involve school aged children.



**What is BluePoint? It is for law enforcement what the fire alarms are for the fire department, summoning the police in an emergency. Learn more about it by clicking [HERE \(LINK\)](#).**

## School Security Officer Activity

	2019	2020
Criminal Sexual Conduct	1	1
Robbery	1	1
Assault	5	3
Home Invasion	0	2
Larceny/Retail Fraud	5	2
Malicious Destruction of Property	4	2
Drug Offense	0	1
Alcohol Violation	0	0
Juvenile (Status*) Offense	5	6
Misc. / All Other Violations	31	52
<b>Total:</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>70</b>

\*Increase in case load due to COVID-19 and school not in-person.



# SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER



**Ofc. Dave VanKerckhove,**  
**School Liaison Officer**

The working relationship between law enforcement and schools/educators is very important, and one in which the Bloomfield Township Police Department values. The School Liaison Officer (SLO) works in close association with all the schools within Bloomfield Township, both public and private, to ensure a safe learning environment for our students. In partnership with community organizations such as Bloomfield Youth Assistance (BYA) and the Birmingham Bloomfield Community Coalition (BBCC) the SLO takes a proactive approach to educate our community on the risks of substance abuse, internet & social media safety, and mental health awareness. Our parents, students, and school staff can count on the SLO as a resource and someone who will be there to help in any way they can.

The School Liaison Officer (SLO) specializes in investigating crimes committed by juveniles, the same kinds of crimes for which adults can be arrested and charged. However, because of their age, the legal process for juveniles may differ significantly, requiring school officers to have a different knowledge base.



School Liaison Investigations Activity		
	2019	2020
Criminal Sexual Conduct	2	3
Robbery	0	0
Assault	11	5
Home Invasion	0	0
Larceny/Retail Fraud	11	2
Malicious Destruction of Property	4	3
Drug Offense	3	3
Alcohol Violation	7	6
Juvenile (Status*) Offense	5	12
Misc. / All Other Violations	39	51
<b>Total:</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>85</b>



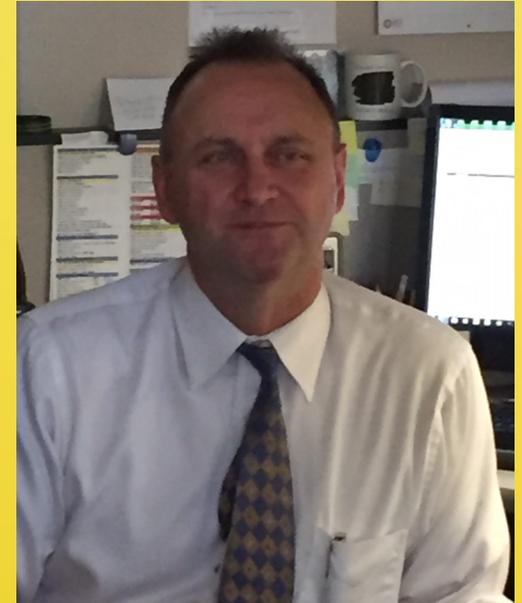


# SPECIALIZED UNITS

**The Major Case Assistance Team (M.C.A.T.)** is a partnership between the Bloomfield Township, Auburn Hills, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Rochester, Clawson, Rochester Hills (OCSO) and the Troy Police Departments. M.C.A.T. was formed to share experienced investigators from each department for the purpose of investigating complex or high-profile cases that occur within these jurisdictions.

The first few hours after a homicide, robbery, or other serious crime, can be crucial to identifying the suspect and bringing them to justice. M.C.A.T. brings as much expertise to bear as possible in those early hours. All of the investigators assigned to M.C.A.T. bring a specialized skill to the team. These include but are not limited to homicide, arson, and sexual assault.

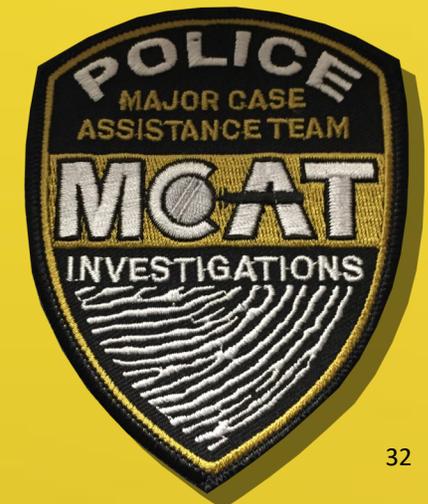
While justice for the victim, suspect identification, and prosecution are the ultimate goal of an M.C.A.T. investigation, the added benefit of belonging to M.C.A.T is that no agency will be overwhelmed in responding to a serious crime.



Detective Dwayne Barker



Right: Detective John Huizdos





# SPECIALIZED UNITS

The **Troy Special Investigations Unit (SIU)** is a task force of police officers from Bloomfield Township, Troy, Auburn Hills, Royal Oak, and Birmingham. The SIU focuses on crimes committed within these communities and working closely with detectives from each department identifying suspects and assisting in solving cases. Troy SIU is a covert, alternative approach to criminal investigations and apprehension.

Primary targets are often professional criminals, habitual offenders, and those involved in organized crime.

The SIU works closely with investigators from participating agencies, as well as other task forces, including Major Case Assistance Team (M.C.A.T.), South Oakland Narcotics Investigation Consortium (S.O.N.I.C.), the FBI Organized Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force, Western Wayne Investigations Group, Narcotics Enforcement Team (N.E.T.), Commercial Auto Theft (C.A.T.), Homeland Security Investigations (H.S.I.), and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency (D.E.A.).

## Special Investigation Unit Activity

	Surveillance	Arrests	Search Warrants
January	7	6	1
February	10	3	5
March	6	6	3
April	5	0	2
May	2	3	2
June	3	1	1
July	4	5	1
August	7	2	5
September	5	0	2
October	4	5	0
November	6	3	1
December	6	3	5
<b>Total:</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>27</b>

### Types of cases investigated by Troy SIU include:

Unlawful Discharge of a Firearm	Larceny in a Building	Retail Frauds	Receive and Conceal stolen items	Stolen Vehicles
Home Invasions	Indecent Exposure	Bomb Threats	Larceny by Conversions	Larceny from Autos
Parole Violations	Prescription Fraud	Narcotics	Felonious Assaults	Parole Violations
Terroristic Threats	Breaking and Entering	Armed Robbery	Bank Robbery	Homicide



# SPECIALIZED UNITS



<b>N.E.T. Drug Purchases/ Seizures</b>		
	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>
Grams of Heroin	3,097	1,679
Grams of Cocaine	6,333	8,184
Grams of Crack Cocaine	1,514	439
Pounds of Marijuana	27	0.47
Units of Ecstasy	1,254	165
Grams of Fentanyl	243	54.38
Units of L.S.D.	66	67
Grams of Meth	4,738	2,441
Units of Prescription Drugs	4,039	4,037
Units of Other Dangerous Drugs	349	150.5

Since 2001, the Oakland County Sheriff’s Office has led the Oakland County Narcotics Enforcement Team (N.E.T.) with a highly cooperative working relationship with several federal and local police departments. This year, the N.E.T. unit worked closely with the Drug Enforcement Agency (D.E.A.) to successfully disrupt and dismantle drug trafficking organizations. Above is the chart showing the drugs that N.E.T. seized throughout the County. Oakland County continued to follow the national drug threat trend with fentanyl, heroin, and prescription drugs being a major concern. In 2020, N.E.T. seized more cocaine than previous years, but continues to view heroin/fentanyl as the major threat in Oakland County. These drug threats appear to mirror the drug trends throughout southeast Michigan.



# SPECIALIZED UNITS

Task Force Activity			
	2018	2019	2020
Arrests	32	26	14
Convictions	15	18	3
Disruptions	9	9	5
Title III	4	*	*
Indictments	15	33	2
Judicial Complaints	13	11	2
Search Warrants	109	119	103
Sentencings	20	20	5
Weapons Recovered	41	16	16

The **Oakland County Gang and Violent Crimes Task Force** (O.C.G.V.C.T.F.) is an FBI unit comprised of federal agents and local police officers. The Bloomfield Township Police Department has had an officer assigned to the task force for approximately ten years. The task force investigates federal crimes that occur in, or originate from, Oakland County. Some of these crimes include drug and firearms trafficking, bank robbery, other armed robberies, conspiracy, and harboring fugitives. The task force assists local agencies' investigations, especially those involving missing / abducted children.

Task force officers learn how to gather information and build cases. In the course of their investigations, task force agents / officers may prepare various types of warrants, conduct surveillance, make arrests, interview suspects and witnesses, and execute search warrants. Occasionally, property and money may be seized and forfeited, as allowed by law.

After completing their tour with the task force, our officers return to their patrol duties with experience and investigative insight that few in law enforcement will ever have. Further, they have discovered the enormous resources available to local law enforcement agencies like the Bloomfield Township Police Department, resources that can all be used to better serve and protect the community.



Violent gangs are nothing new. What *is* new is the proactive way in which law enforcement deals with them. By taking the initiative, the police keep gangs on the defensive, less capable or willing to commit their crimes. [Click on the image to the left to learn more from the FBI.](#)



# SPECIALIZED UNITS

Identity theft and fraud-related crimes are the fastest growing crimes in the United States. The primary reason is such crimes typically offer very high reward with very low risk. Given those conditions, even traditional gangs are becoming involved.

The common use of wireless communication, speed and anonymity of the internet, and the use of technology in general have made it very difficult to investigate such crimes. The fact that such crimes often cross state lines creates additional difficulties, both from a local resource and prosecution perspective.

In February 2018 the Bloomfield Township Police Department addressed the need to investigate such crimes by assigning one full time detective to the FBI's Detroit Metropolitan Identity Theft & Financial Crimes Task Force (D.M.I.F.T.) based in Oakland County. The task force consists of law enforcement personnel from the FBI, Auburn Hills, Birmingham, Michigan State Police, and other Detroit area and Federal agencies.

One recent case involved suspicious activity taking place at an ATM in Bloomfield Township. The initial investigation identified a suspect who was currently on probation for Identity Theft and it was determined he was likely committing unemployment fraud in Bloomfield Township and other jurisdictions. The case was turned over to the FBI task force. The investigation revealed he was likely fraudulently obtaining as much as \$8,000 - \$10,000 per day. The task force continued the investigation and ultimately arrested the suspect and executed a search warrant at his apartment in Southfield. Over \$160,000 in cash and five Rolex watches, one worth over \$40,000, was recovered. The unemployment fraud was traced back to at least three states. [\(LINK\)](#)



**TIPS TO AVOID MAIL THEFT:**

- COLLECT YOUR MAIL AS SOON AS IT IS DELIVERED
- PLACE MAIL IN HANDS OF LETTER CARRIER
- USE A POST OFFICE
- NOTIFY USPS ABOUT STICKY PRODUCT ON MAILBOX

SOURCE: USPS

The theft of your mail may be just the start of your troubles! Just think of what a criminal can do with the critical information heading into and out of your mailbox. Credit cards can be opened in your name, bank accounts can be drained, and checks you send end up being diverted to someone else, other than the intended recipient. Click on the image to the left to learn how to secure your mail.



# SPECIALIZED UNITS

Recognizing the complex nature of traffic crash investigations, the Bloomfield Township Police Department joined forces with the Auburn Hills, Clawson, Troy, and Birmingham Police Departments, as well as the Bloomfield Hills Department of Public Safety. Together, they form the **South Oakland County Crash Investigations Team (S.O.C.C.I.T.)**. Experienced traffic investigators from each agency respond and collaborate on major crashes in the member cities, crashes that cause serious injury or death.

A serious vehicle accident can easily overwhelm a police department. However, almost on a moment's notice, S.O.C.C.I.T. can bring hundreds of years of crash investigation experience to scenes, freeing up those agencies to continue the service to their community. This cooperation reduces department overtime expenditures, as well as the time officers spend on scene.



Click on the 'play' button to the left to watch a movie produced by M.E.E.M.I.C. and featuring the S.O.C.C.I.T. It concerns driving safety.

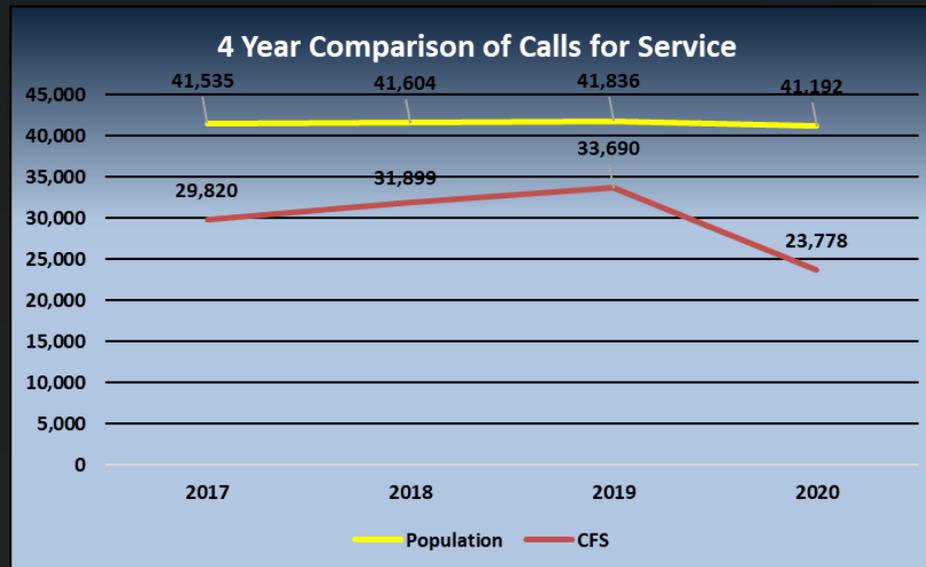


# STATISTICS

In 2020, the department handled 23,778 **Calls For Service (CFS)**. A CFS is a record of police service or activity. Examples include a phone call into dispatch requesting police assistance or a police officer affecting a traffic stop. Likewise, a CFS is created when an alarm company calls the department to report one of its alarms have tripped.

Each CFS for a year is given a sequential number. For example, the first CFS of 2020 was 2000001. When a CFS is generated, a dispatcher assigns an officer to respond and gather information regarding the complaint. Often times the CFS can be handled immediately by the responding officer. Sometimes a CFS will need further investigation and a Detective will be assigned for follow-up.

For example, an officer is dispatched to a Fraud complaint. The responding officer will conduct the initial investigation. The complaint will then be turned over to one of the department's trained Detectives for a review and thorough investigation.

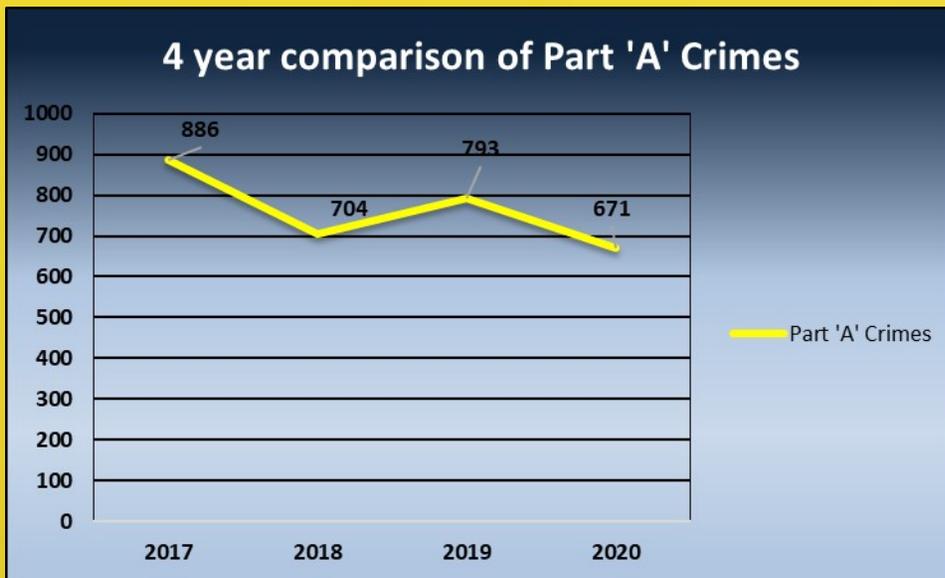


\*Calls for services were drastically decreased due to COVID-19



# PART 'A' CRIMES

**Part 'A' Complaints** are the most serious crimes. For example, sexual assault, robbery, murder, stalking, and larcenies of high-value items. Most of these crimes are felonies, a crime punishable by imprisonment for one or more years.



**Vacation House Check Service:** Planning on going away for a few days, maybe even the entire season? Let us know! The Bloomfield Township Police Department keeps an eye on the homes of our residents upon their request. To download the Vacation Notification Form, click [HERE](#) (LINK). Complete the fields, print it, then drop it off at the front desk of the police department. Have a safe trip!

Part A Crimes			
Crime	2018	2019	2020
Criminal Sexual Conduct I & III	2	2	4
Criminal Sexual Conduct II&IV	2	3	4
Kidnapping	0	0	0
Robbery	2	1	1
Assaults	54	69	49
Aggravated Assault	12	6	5
Intimidation/Stalking	45	41	47
Burglary/Home Invasion	33	40	13
Larceny from a building	41	130	98
Larceny from Auto	51	58	43
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	17	16
Forgery/Counterfeiting	11	8	6
Fraud (Including Identity Theft)	220	257	250
Embezzlement	11	12	7
Retail Fraud	73	92	50
Drug Violations	12	35	50
Weapons Violations	15	22	24
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>704</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>671</b>

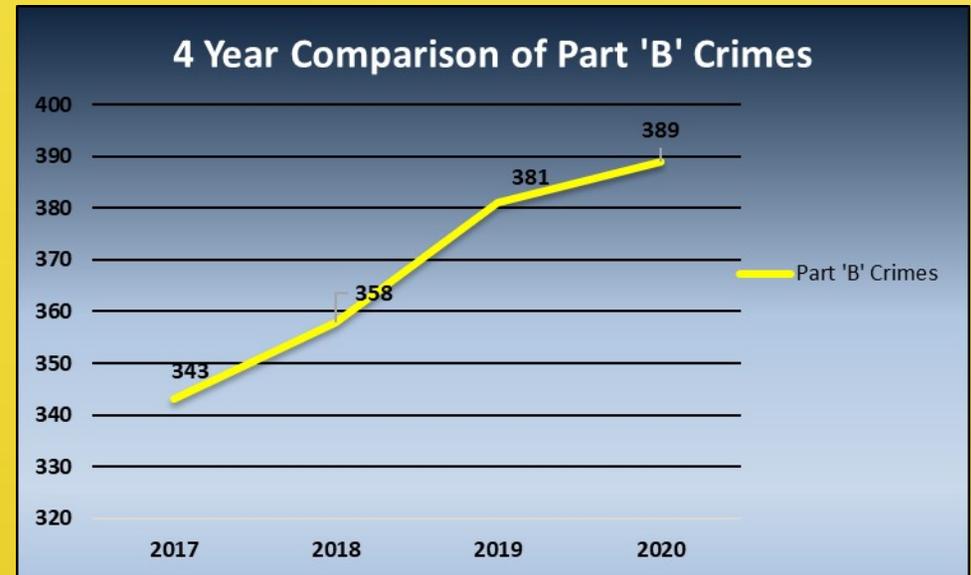
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# PART 'B' CRIMES

**Part 'B' Complaints** are typically misdemeanors that carry a penalty of less than one year in prison. These crimes range from minor thefts to driving related incidents such as Impaired Driving and Hit and Run crashes.

Part 'B' Crimes			
Crime Category	2018	2019	2020
Accident - Hit & Run	23	6	5
All Other Offenses	18	10	14
Tumultuous Conduct	0	11	3
Escape / Flight	1	0	0
Family Offense	4	3	2
Health and Safety	6	5	115
Liquor Law Violations	37	45	27
Missing Person / Runaway	3	7	4
Obstructing Justice	17	15	18
Obstructing Police	24	26	17
OWI Liquor / Drugs	207	242	169
Public Peace	4	5	0
Sex Offenses-Other	2	4	9
Trespassing / Violation of Privacy	12	2	4
Vagrancy	0	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>389</b>



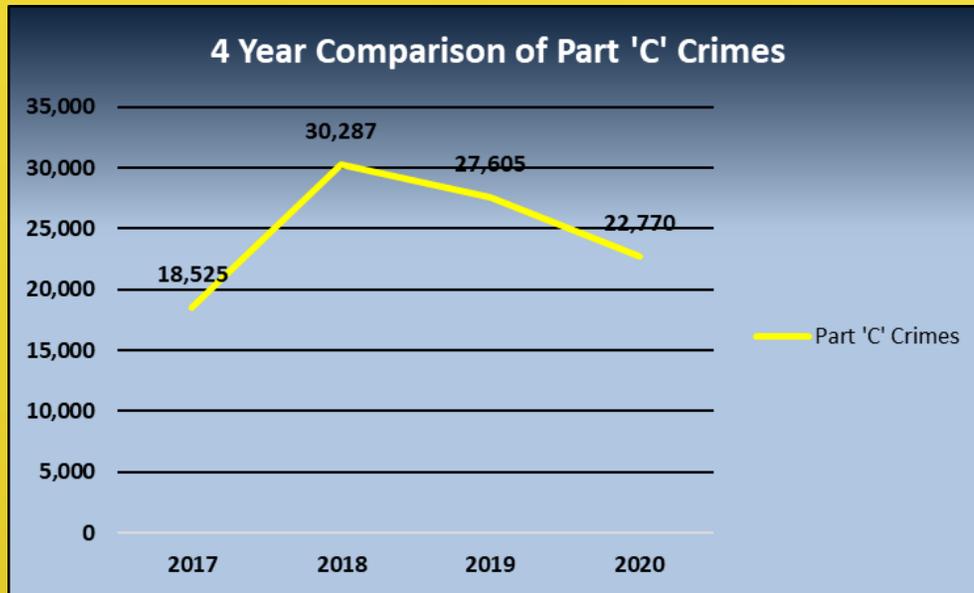
\*This increase is due to Health and Safety calls from the COVID-19 Governor's Orders.

\*Verified Offenses reported by [Clemis.org](https://www.clemis.org) for 2018, 2019, and 2020



# PART 'C' CRIMES

**Part 'C' Complaints** can be relatively minor misdemeanors, but are also very common Calls For Service (CFS). For instance, the Part C offense of "Crash" indicates that one of the drivers was issued a civil infraction citation (ticket) for the traffic crash.



Part 'C' Crimes			
Crime Category	2018	2019	2020
Alarm	3,326	3,108	2,525
Animal Complaints	671	1,021	797
Personal Injury Crashes (PI)	362	343	209
Property Damage Crashes (PD)	1,928	1,956	1,194
All Other Complaints	1,195	5,884*	1,257
Warrant Arrests	284	331	130
Driving While License Suspended (DWLS)	519	587	366
Medical Emergencies	1,288	869	831
All Other Part C Complaints **	20,714	14,861	12,625
<b>Total</b>	<b>30,287</b>	<b>27,605</b>	<b>22,770</b>

\*The drop in numbers is attributed to COVID-19



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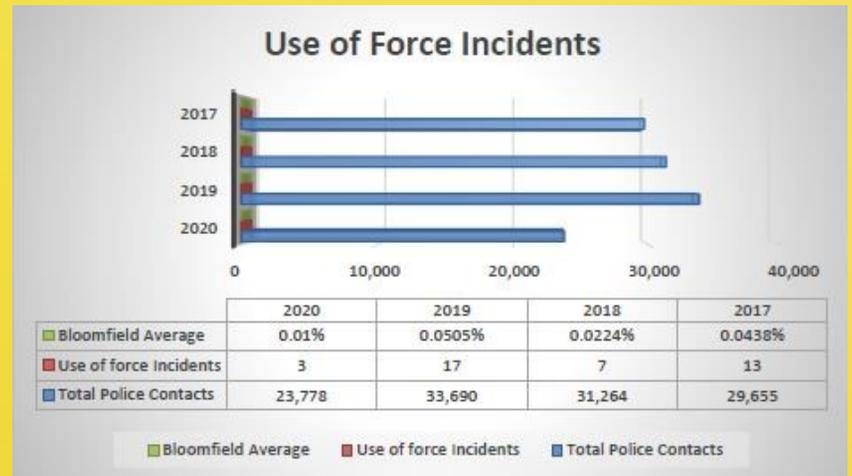
# USE OF FORCE

In 2020, three (3) Use of Force incidents occurred from 23,778 CAD generated police incidents for a total of .013 incidents involving force. This is a .038 decrease in the Use of Force incidents compared to 2019. In all three (3) incidents, the force used was within Department Policy, procedure, and Michigan State Law.

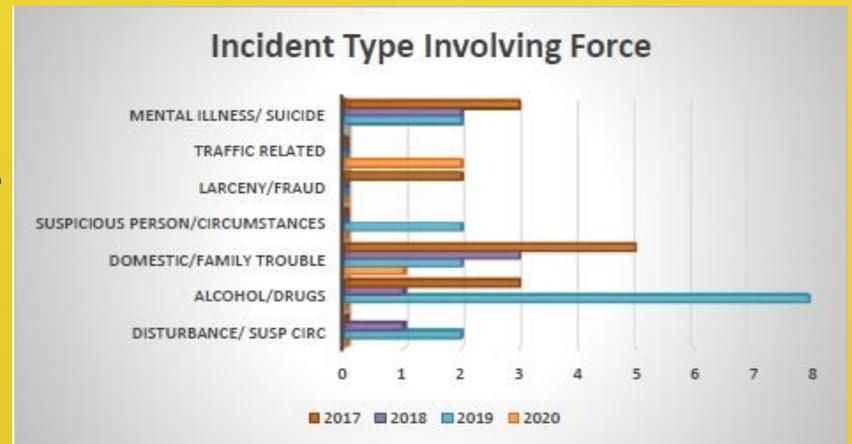
There were no deadly force incidents to report. There was one (1) TASER deployment, one (1) incident where a firearm was pointed at a subject, and one (1) incident where a takedown was utilized for subject control. There were no injuries reported due to any use of force.

Training priorities in 2020 included diffusion/de-escalation, critical decision making, and fair/impartial policing. Officer continued to train in PPCT, LOCKUP, Gracie Survival Tactics, and Krav Maga techniques for subject control.

In 2020 a duty to intervene policy was re-written in the Department's directives. Policy 4.06 is titled Duty to Intervene and states, *"It is the policy of the Bloomfield Township Police Department that officers have an affirmative duty to intervene on behalf of a citizen whose constitutional rights are being violated in the presence of other officers. Bloomfield Township police officers shall intervene when they observe or hear conduct by a fellow member of this agency or any other law enforcement agency."*



In 2020, calls for service decreased 29% from 2019 due to the COVID 19 virus. The department responded to 23,778 calls for service resulting in 3 Use of Force incidents for a total of .013% incidents involving force.





# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

On February 6, 2020 the Bloomfield Township Police Department was awarded accredited status by the Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission.

Accreditation is a progressive and time-proven way of helping law enforcement agencies calculate and improve their overall performances. The foundation of Accreditation lies in the voluntary adoption of standards containing a clear statement of professional objectives. Participating agencies conduct a thorough self-analysis to determine which of their existing operations already meet some of the standards and/or how the procedures can be adapted to meet the standards and professional objectives. When the procedures are in place, a team of trained Commission assessors verifies that applicable standards have been successfully implemented and the agency is in compliance. Accreditation status represents a significant professional achievement. Accreditation acknowledges the implementation of written directives, policies, and procedures that are conceptually sound and operationally effective.



***"By becoming an MACP accredited agency you will have the opportunity to set the tone for generations of officers and shape the future of policing in Michigan."***

Neal A. Rossow  
Director of Professional Development  
MACP Accreditation Program Director



# RETIREMENTS



Animal Welfare Officer Rick Metcalf retired on June 30, 2020. Rick had worked for Bloomfield Township since April, 1997. Rick held multiple positions at Bloomfield Township including Dispatch, Animal Welfare, and Service Aid.

We thank Rick for over 23 years of service to our community. We wish him all the best in his long retirement.



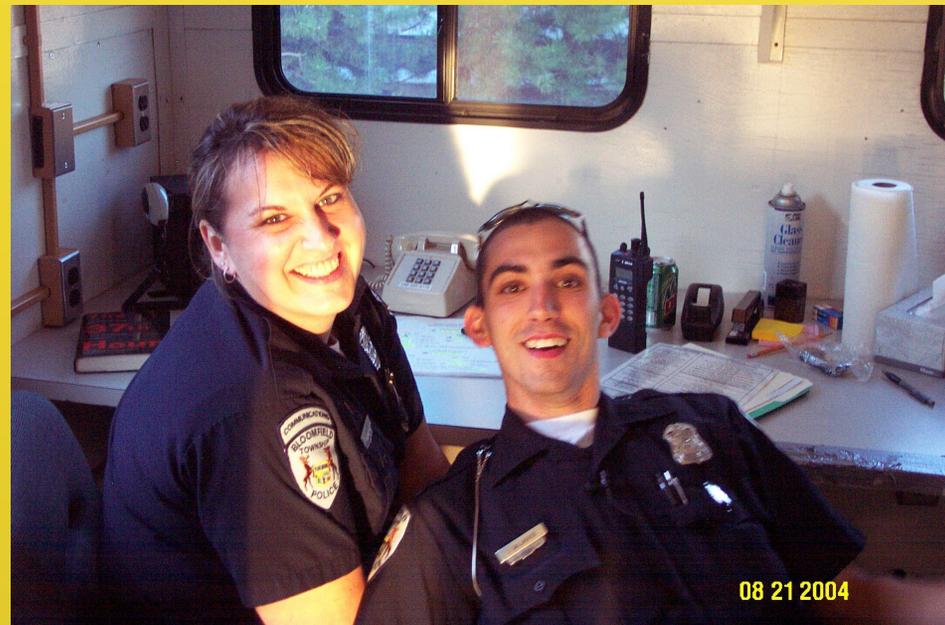


# RETIREMENTS



Dispatcher Kim Valenti retired on December 01, 2020. Dispatcher Valenti was hired in February, 2000. She was our most senior dispatcher. Her expertise and professionalism will be missed.

We thank Dispatcher Valenti for her many years of exemplary service and wish her a long, healthy, and happy retirement.





# RETIREMENTS

On June 04, 2020 K9 Kody retired after working for Bloomfield Township after seven years. Kody had been diagnosed with lymphoma in March 2019. Kody never missed a day of work while battling his cancer. Kody enjoyed his work and all his coworkers. His personality was second to none and was easily loved by many.





# NEW HIRES

The first question a prospective employee is asked when they call is, “Do you have a four-year degree?” Just that question ends the process for many applicants as the Bloomfield Township Police Department requires its officers possess a B.A. or B.S.

In 2020, Officers Manor, Hofelich, and Harwood were hired and assigned to the FTO program. Upon successful completion, they were assigned to the Patrol Division.

We welcome these officers to our ranks and wish them a long and safe career.





# NEW HIRES

In 2020, Dispatchers Staten, Eckel, Sleeman, and Zubalik were hired.



Dispatcher Eckel



Dispatcher Staten



Dispatcher Sleeman



Dispatcher Zubalik



# NEW HIRES



The Animal Shelter is proud to welcome back two familiar faces. AWO Kent Tschudin retired as a police sergeant from Bloomfield Township Police Department in May of 2018. He returns full time as our newest Animal Welfare Officer. You will see AWO Tschudin out and about in the Animal Welfare Truck responding to calls for service. AWO Laura Joyce retired as an Animal Welfare Officer here in the Township in December of 2019. AWO Joyce has returned to the Animal Shelter as a part time employee.



# OFFICER / CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR



## **Officer of the Year, Marisa Miller**

Officer Miller has been with Bloomfield Township for 14 years. Officer Miller is one of the Department's top Evidence Technicians. She is an instructor for the department's Civilian Women's Self Defense class. Prior to working for Bloomfield Township, Officer Miller served the El Paso Police Department for two years.



## **Civilian of the Year, April Verbeke**

Dispatcher Verbeke has served Bloomfield Township since 2008. Dispatcher Verbeke has been a Communications Training Officer since 2016, and has had a hand in training several new dispatchers. Dispatcher Verbeke's positive attitude and high level of professionalism is reflected in every call she fields.



# 2020 Departmental Awards

Ofc. Kelly McGraw– Chief’s Merit Award

Ofc. Marisa Miller– Chief’s Merit Award

Ofc. Jennifer Overby– Chief’s Merit Award

Dispatcher Stacy Prachar– Chief’s Merit Award

Ofc. Dan Pagel– Life Saving Award

Ofc. Tom Riney– Life Saving Award

Ofc. Marshal Scott– Life Saving Award

Ofc. Cory Donberger– Meritorious Service Award

Ofc. Nick Soley– Meritorious Service Award

Lt. Dan Brown– Unit Commendation

Disp. Amela Catic- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Brian Crane- Unit Commendation

Disp. Kristi Harms- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Dan Pagel- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Ed Ryan- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Jon Schlabach- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Marshal Scott- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Kari Sweeney- Unit Commendation

Disp. April Verbeke- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Elliott Wilson– Unit Commendation

Lt. Tim Abbo- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Gunnar Bjornson- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Tanner Davis- Unit Commendation

Disp. Cassandra Diamond- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Jason Follman- Unit Commendation

Sgt. Jason Murphy- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Ed Nolan- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Scott Schuknecht- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Chris Solimano—Unit Commendation

Disp. Alyssa Staten- Unit Commendation

Ofc. Bob Zaremba- Unit Commendation

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