

OWENSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT



2017 ANNUAL REPORT





Owensboro Police Department

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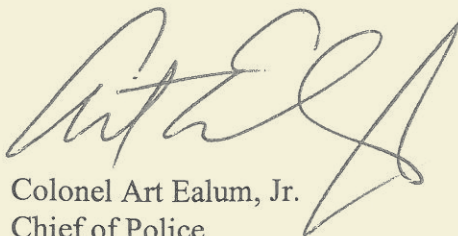
I am very pleased to present the 2017 Owensboro Police Department Annual Report. All members of the Owensboro Police Department work diligently in their respective capacity to serve this community with professionalism and honor. We have created a strong culture of integrity and work very hard to ensure this organization upholds the standards and expectations of our community.

Despite the fiscal challenges facing cities and counties across this state, the Owensboro Police Department will continue to provide the quality and professional services that every person who visits or resides in this great city should expect. We will continue to provide the best training and equipment to our officers to ensure they are prepared mentally and physically to face the ensuing challenges that are inherent to our profession.

As law enforcement professionals, we have a vested interest in the safety and security of our community. We will continue to suppress crime in a fair and just manner. We will continue to build upon our philosophy of community oriented policing by creating a culture of togetherness with our community partners. We will provide quality service to all, while continuing to embrace the fact that we are community-owned and operated.

We will continue to advance our role in this community as stakeholders and community servants.

Sincerely,



Colonel Art Ealum, Jr.
Chief of Police

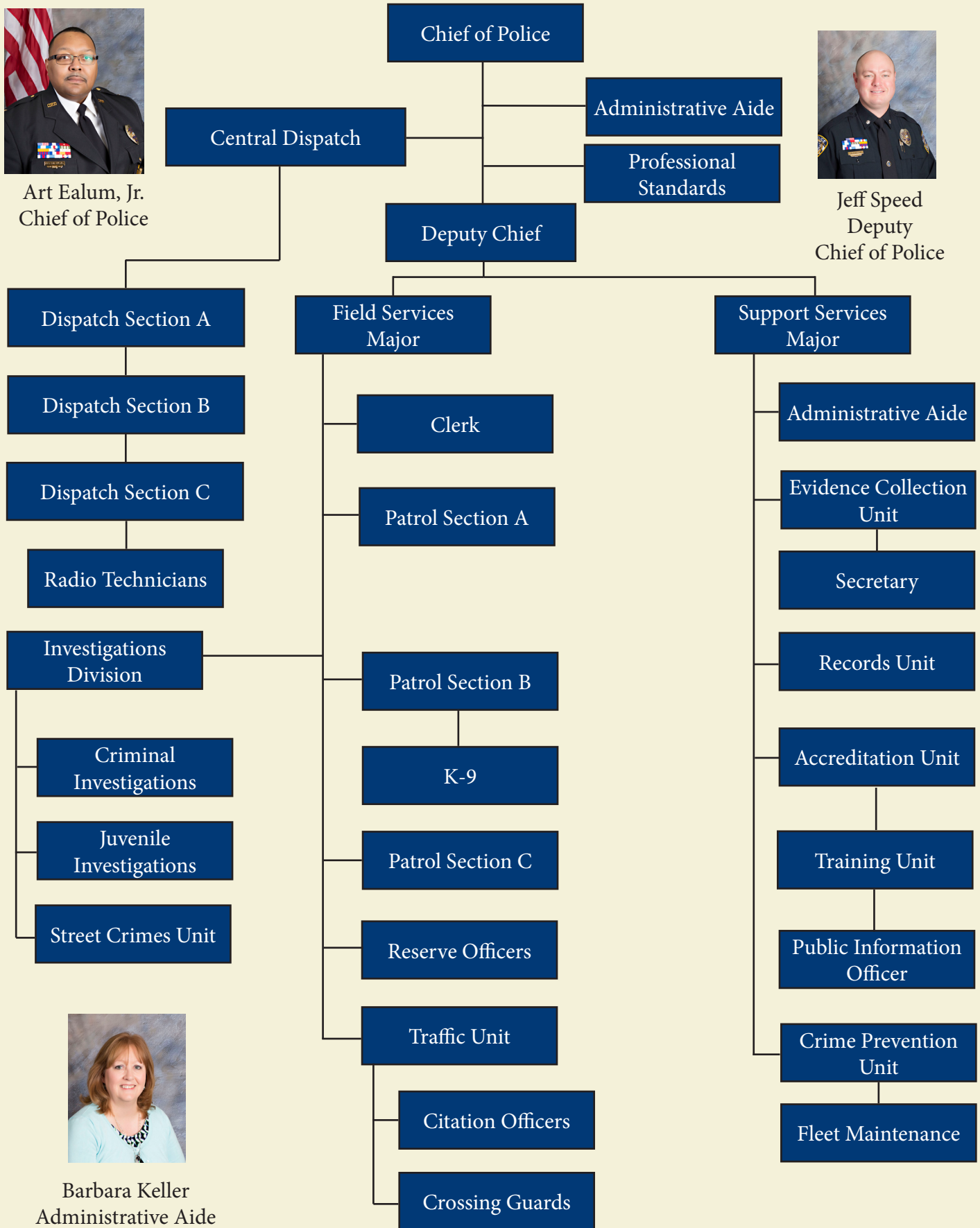
ORGANIZATIONAL CHART 2017



Art Ealum, Jr.
Chief of Police



Jeff Speed
Deputy
Chief of Police



Barbara Keller
Administrative Aide

Sworn Personnel

Chief	1
Assistant Chief	1
Majors	2
Lieutenants	7
Sergeants	12
Detectives	13
Officers	70
Reserves	4
Total	110



Civilian Personnel

Telecommunicators	26
Part time Telecommunicators	5
Dispatch Supervisor	1
Administrative	2
Secretary	1
Records	5
Citation Officer Part time	1
Radio Technicians/Vehicle Tech	3
Total	44

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Owensboro Police Department is to work in a true partnership with the community, to enhance the quality of life in our city, while maintaining order and protecting the people we serve by reducing incidences of crime, doing so with professionalism, honor and integrity.

Budget Total by Division

Administration	Investigations	Patrol	Radio	Support Services	Total
\$2,084,183	\$1,654,069	\$7,029,457	\$181,425	\$1,646,720	\$12,595,854
Central Dispatch			\$2,991,288		

Field Services -Patrol Division

The Patrol Division is the backbone of any police department and all other divisions are in support of the efforts initiated in the patrol function. The Field Services Division is commanded by Major Brock Peterson. The division consists of three patrol shifts, a Traffic Unit, K-9 Unit, and the Investigations Division. The Patrol Division responded to calls for service from community members, engaged in proactive policing and provided traffic enforcement as a part of the normal duty day. The Patrol Division provides twenty-four hour service to approximately 59,273 city residents covering 19 square miles and often times they go beyond what is expected of them.

In 2017, patrol officers responded to 40,722 calls for service and conducted 7,502 traffic stops. The men and women of the Patrol Division have embraced the motto, "Pride, Integrity, Service" which embodies the professionalism, dedication, and spirit of all members of the Owensboro Police Department. These officers are committed to ensuring Owensboro remains a safe place to live, work and play.

Thirteen Owensboro area schools have been adopted as part of the Owensboro Police Department Adopt-A-School program, which is a proactive partnership with schools to provide enhanced safety for the community's children. The officers make random visits to his/her assigned schools several times each week to ensure the officer is periodically seen by students and staff. The assigned officers also learn the schools' layouts and lockdown procedures to ensure better responses by law enforcement in the event of an emergency. After school hours, officers are responsible for checking the security of buildings located on school property.

Adopt-A-School	Patrol Section	Visits	Minutes
	A	874	17,388
	B	1,120	11,152
	C	2,853	24,909
	Total	4,847	53,449

Uniform Crime Statistics

The Uniform Crime Report (UCR) contains official data on crime that is reported to law enforcement agencies across the country who then provide the data to the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI). Part I of the UCR focuses on index crimes which include murder, robbery, rape, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft and arson. The following chart depicts data collected by the Owensboro Police Department Crime Analysis Unit and the totals represent the department arrests as a whole. The Owensboro Police Department reported the subsequent information to the FBI for the year of 2017.

Part I Crimes	
Category	2017
Arson	10
Assault (Aggravated)	121
Burglary	434
Criminal Homicide	4
Forcible Rape	35
Larceny (Theft)	2,005
Motor Vehicle Theft	274
Robbery	55
Total	2,938

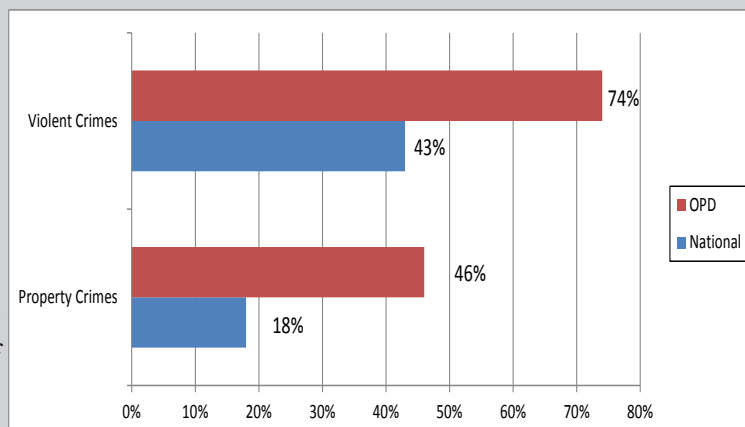
Part I Crimes (Juvenile Offenders)	
Category	2017
Arson	1
Assault (Aggravated)	17
Burglary	31
Criminal Homicide	1
Forcible Rape	1
Larceny (Theft)	89
Motor Vehicle Theft	16
Robbery	6
Total	162

Selected Part II Crimes	
Charges	2017
Assault (Simple)	681
Forgery & Counterfeiting	103
Stolen Property (receiving, possessing)	154
Vandalism	711
Weapons (carrying, possessing)	48
Prostitution & Commercialized Vice	0
Sex Offenses (except rape)	70
Drug Abuse Violations	1,065
Gambling	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	86
Driving Under the Influence	244
Liquor Laws	14
Drunkenness	321
Disorderly Conduct	216
Runaway	37
Fraud	61
Total	3,811

Selected Part II Crimes (Juvenile Offenders)	
Category	2017
Assault (Misdemeanor)	106
Domestic Violence	26
Disorderly Conduct	12
Drunkenness	1
DUI	0
Forgery/Fraud	3
Habitual Runaways	37
Narcotics	48
Receiving Stolen Property	45
Sex Offenses (except rape)	10
Vandalism	48
Weapons	7
All Other Offenses	114
Total	457

Criminal Investigations Division

The Criminal Investigations Division is responsible for self-initiated and follow-up investigations of assigned cases. These cases are usually serious incidents such as, but not limited to, homicides, death investigations, robberies, sexual assaults, serious physical assaults, and other felony cases that demand unique investigative knowledge, additional time demands, and may require travel outside the local area. Case Management includes conducting thorough criminal investigations, interviewing witnesses and suspects, identifying and arresting offenders, and aiding in the successful prosecution of defendants. Investigators also procure and execute search warrants leading to the seizure of contraband and other evidence of criminal activity. During 2017, there were 2,469 cases investigated by CID of the total 3,039 Part I Crimes reported.



Clearance Rates

Support Services

The Support Services Division provides services that support the Field Services functions of the Owensboro Police Department. The Support Services Division is commanded by Major Gordon Black. The division consists of six units including: Accreditation, Crime Prevention, Evidence Collection, Public Information, Records and Training.

The Crime Prevention Unit provides a wide range of educational programs, such as drug and alcohol awareness, theft and robbery prevention, vandalism and burglary prevention, and personal safety techniques. All programs are focused on a dual concept of eliminating and/or minimizing criminal opportunities while encouraging citizens to share safety responsibilities throughout our community. During 2017, CPU officers made over 90 public speaking engagements, gave over 12 guided tours of the police department, conducted the annual Citizen's Police Academy, D.A.R.E. Golf Scramble, Police Awareness Day, and hosted many other programs offered by the Owensboro Police Department.

Professional Standards Unit

The primary function of the Professional Standards Unit (PSU) is to investigate all citizen complaints against police personnel and, as directed, complaints originating from within the police department itself. In 2017, the PSU conducted a total of 30 administrative investigations. There were 8 external complaints (complaints originating from the public) and 22 internal complaints (complaints originating from within the department). The final Case Disposition of the cases are as follows: 1 Unfounded, 3 Not Sustained, 11 Exonerated, 13 Sustained and 2 Closed without Findings.

Administrative Violation Allegations			
Abuse of Position	3	Property & Evidence Req.	2
Discourtesy	5	Neglect of Duty	3
False Statement	2	Obedience to Rules, Reg. of Law	23
Harassment	5	Unbecoming Conduct	23
Improper Vehicle Operation	14	Excessive Force	0
Improper Use of Force	3	Unsatisfactory Performance	6
Insubordination	5	Department Records & Reports	1
Total			95

Use of Force Reports by Race/Ethnicity/Gender	
Caucasian	62.6 %
African American	32.7 %
Hispanic	3.7 %
Asian	0.9 %
Male	83.2%
Female	16.8%

Hazardous Devices Unit

The Owensboro Police Department Hazardous Devices Unit was called into service 12 times in 2017. Members of the 3 man unit responded to incidents when requested by Law Enforcement Agencies throughout Western Kentucky. The HDU is trained in the safe handling and response to any suspected explosive device.



Evidence Collection Unit

In 2017, the ECU processed 753 drug cases. The Certified Latent Print Examiners processed 204 fingerprint cases. The ECU received 48 callouts, processed 8,172 property items and opened 2,859 cases.



Emergency Response Team

The team consists of specially trained police officers whose goal is to safely resolve dangerous incidents while placing emphasis on the safety of the public, other officers, and the suspect. The team also assists other departments with the protection of dignitaries ranging from the President of the United States, to the governor and others.



Records Division

The Records Division processed 3,571 accident reports, 9,269 Uniform Citations, and 5,297 Offense Reports for a total of 18,138 documents in 2017. The Records Division applied for and received several grants to include Highway Safety \$44,100, Law Enforcement Protection Program \$23,760, Bulletproof Vest Partnership \$9,388 and Homeland Security \$45,450.

Honor Guard

The Owensboro Police Department Honor Guard attended various public and private events, funerals for active and retired officers, community parades and celebrations, presentation and posting of the Nation's colors at public and private ceremonies.



Central Dispatch - Calls for Service

Calls received on non-emergency lines -	144,845
911 cell phone calls -	59,506
911 landline calls -	5,074
VoIP (Voice over Internet) -	93
Total Calls -	209,518

Street Crimes Unit

The Street Crimes Unit is a major asset to the Owensboro Police Department. The Street Crimes Unit is a tactical narcotics/vice unit that is responsible for conducting covert drug operations and providing targeted law enforcement to special situations such as gambling, prostitution, or gang activity.

The unit is staffed by one sergeant and four detectives who often work in conjunction with other law enforcement agencies in the region combating illegal drugs. The totals shown here are a fraction of all drugs confiscated by the Owensboro Police Department during 2017.

Street Crimes Unit Seizures	
Item	2017
Arrest	326
Charges	1,033
Meth Labs	2
Vehicles Seized	22
Cash Seized	\$254,420
Guns Seized	78
Marijuana	9.79 lbs
Cocaine & Meth	3.71 lbs
Heroin	.71 oz

