# Owensboro Police Department Annual Report







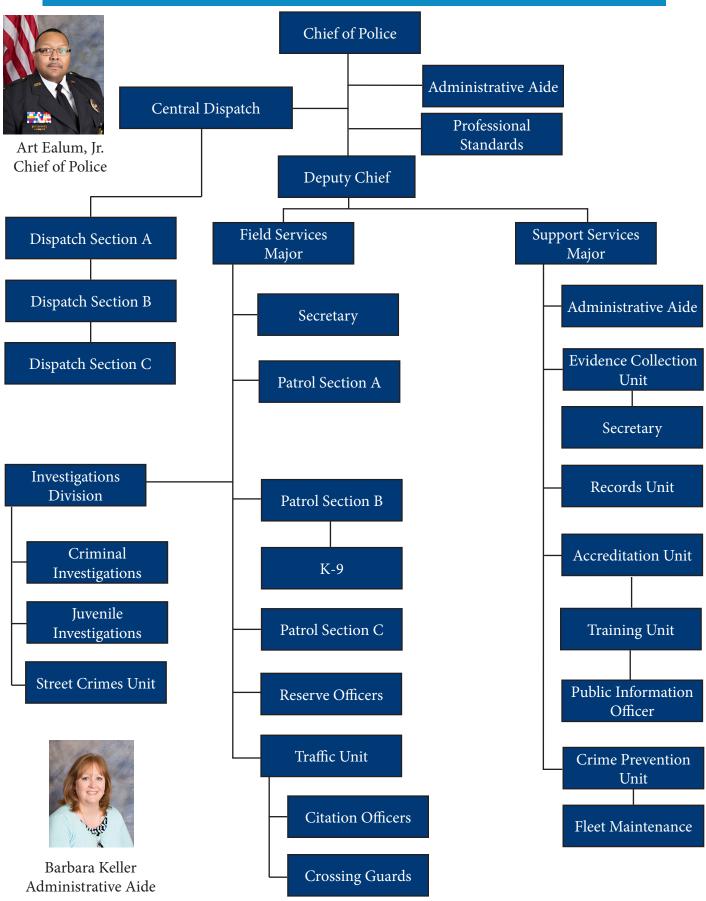




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## ORGANIZATIONAL CHART 2021



## **Sworn Personnel**

Chief	1
Assistant Chief	0
Major	1
Lieutenants	6
Sergeants	10
Detectives	10
Officers	72
Reserves	<u>5</u>
Total	105



### Civilian Personnel

Telecommunicators	23
Part time Telecommunicators	5
Dispatch Supervisor	1
Administrative Aides	2
Secretary	2
Records	4
Citation Officer Part time	1
Laborer	1
Total	39

#### **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	Support Services	Total	
\$2,492,640	\$1,990,787	\$8,859,051	\$2,233,468	\$15,575,946	
	Central Dispatch		\$3,072,073		

#### 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 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 60,903 city residents covering 20.5 square miles and often times they go beyond what is expected of them.

In 2021, patrol officers responded to 39,167 calls for service and conducted 9,392 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 their assigned schools several times each week to ensure an 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.

loc	<b>Patrol Section</b>	Visits	Minutes
-School	A	2,338	40,642
-A-S	В	3,390	69,546
	С	3,270	50,176
Adopt	Total	8,998	160,364

## **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 2021.

Part I Crimes	
Category	
Arson	10
Assault (Aggravated)	115
Burglary	307
Criminal Homicide	1
Forcible Rape	30
Larceny (Theft)	1,493
Motor Vehicle Theft	286
Robbery	32
Total	2,274

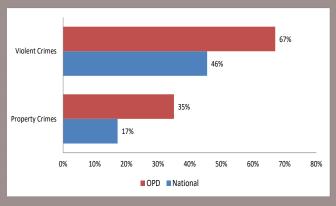
Part I Crimes (Juvenile Offenders)		
Category		
Arson	2	
Assault (Aggravated)	24	
Burglary	8	
Criminal Homicide	0	
Forcible Rape	3	
Larceny (Theft)	52	
Motor Vehicle Theft	9	
Robbery	10	
Total	108	

Selected Part II Crimes	
Charges	
Assault (Simple)	538
Forgery & Counterfeiting	51
Stolen Property (receiving, possessing)	29
Vandalism	552
Weapons (carrying, possessing)	43
Prostitution & Commercialized Vice	0
Sex Offenses (except rape)	46
Drug Abuse Violations	625
Gambling	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	46
Driving Under the Influence	237
Liquor Laws	3
Drunkenness	668
Disorderly Conduct	257
Fraud	41
Total	3,136

Selected Part II Crimes (Juvenile Offenders)		
Category		
Assault (Misdemeanor)	130	
Domestic Violence	15	
Disorderly Conduct	61	
Drunkenness	13	
DUI	0	
Forgery/Fraud	1	
Habitual Runaways	6	
Narcotics	44	
Receiving Stolen Property	13	
Sex Offenses (except rape)	1	
Vandalism	34	
Weapons	12	
All Other Offenses	70	
Total	400	

## **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



**Clearance Rates** 

of contraband and other evidence of criminal activity. During 2021, there were 2,789 cases investigated by CID.

#### **Street Crimes Unit**

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. The unit often works in conjunction with other law enforcement agencies in the region combating illegal drug trafficking. The totals shown here are a fraction

of all drugs confiscated by the Owensboro Police Department during 2021. The Street Crimes Unit partnered with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) during three investigations. The first investigation resulted in the seizure of 238 lbs. of methamphetamine, 81 lbs. of marijuana, 4.5 lbs. of fentanyl pills, 20 oz. of cocaine, 23 firearms with high capacity magazines and \$350,000. 15 members of the drug trafficking organization were federally indicted for engaging in a conspiracy to distribute large quantities of methamphetamine and fentanyl. The second investigation resulted in the seizure of 6 lbs. of methamphetamine, 4 firearms, and approximately \$15,000. 7 members of the drug trafficking organization were federally indicted for conspiracy to distribute large quantities of methamphetamine. The third investigation resulted in the seizure of 45 lbs. of methamphetamine, 500 grams of fentanyl, 4 lbs. of marijuana, 26 firearms and approximately \$300,000. 37 members of the drug trafficking organization were arrested on federal and state charges.

<b>Street Crimes Unit Seizures</b>		
Item		
Arrests	149	
Charges	252	
Meth Labs	0	
Vehicles Seized	16	
Cash Seized	\$437,012	
Guns Seized	44	
Marijuana	163 lbs	
Methamphetamine	8.25 lbs	
Heroin	1.1 oz	
Cocaine	0.5 oz	

## **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 2021, the PSU conducted a total of 22 administrative investigations. There were 5 external complaints (complaints originating from the public) and 17 internal complaints (complaints originating from within the department). The final Case Disposition of the cases are as follows: 0 Unfounded, 2 Not Sustained, 6 Exonerated, 11 Sustained, 3 Pending and 0 Closed without Findings.

Administrative Violation Allegations			
Dept. Records & Reports	0	Neglect of Duty	0
Discourtesy	3	Obedience to Rules, Regs, Laws	7
Harassment	0	Property and Evidence Reqs	1
Improper Use of Force	15	Sexual Harassment	0
Improper Vehicle Operation	11	Unbecoming Conduct	12
Insubordination	3	Unsatisfactory Performance	20
False Statement	2	Total	74

Use of Force Reports by Race/Ethnicity/Gender		
Caucasian	73.04 %	
African American	24.35 %	
Hispanic	2.61 %	
Asian	0%	
Male	81.74 %	
Female	18.26 %	

## **Support Services**

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

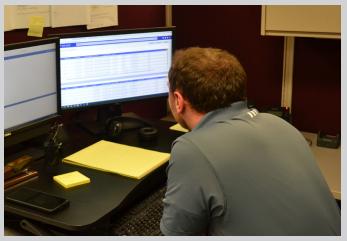
The Crime Prevention Unit provides a wide range of educational programs, such as drug and alcohol awareness, theft and robbery prevention, vandalism and burglary prevention, and personal safety techniques. All programs are focused on a dual concept of eliminating and/or minimizing criminal opportunities while encouraging citizens to share safety responsibilities throughout our community. During 2021, CPU officers presented 20 public speaking engagements, hosted the D.A.R.E. Golf Scramble, taught D.A.R.E. to all 5th grade classes in both the Owensboro Public Schools and Owensboro Catholic Schools, and hosted several other programs offered by the Owensboro Police Department.

#### CAD/RMS

In 2021, the Support Services Division worked in conjunction with Owensboro-Daviess County Central Dispatch, City of Owensboro Information Technology, Daviess County Fiscal Court, and Tyler Technologies to customize and implement a state of the art Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management System (RMS). The project was the culmination of nearly two years of work and countless hours amongst these departments fine-tuning the software to optimize its capabilities and meet the needs of officers and other first responders in Daviess County.



The implementation of this new technology provides patrol officers with information and features that can be utilized during their daily activities that were not previously available such as in-car mapping (showing the location of all law enforcement and fire personnel) and all active/pending calls for service. Officers now have instant access to the Records Management System from their mobile data terminals giving them detailed case information as well as historical information on persons, locations, businesses and other critical information needed in the field whereas before they could only access this information at the police building. This increased accessibility to information has increased the effectiveness and efficiency of the Owensboro Police Department operations at the patrol and investigations levels.



The implementation of this new technology has also advanced the operational abilities of Owensboro-Daviess County Central Dispatch with many features designed to increase response time and the amount of information passed on to first responders prior to their arrival. The Tyler Technologies CAD system allows for instantaneous communication between CAD, RMS and Mobile Data Terminals (MDT) eliminating the need for re-entry into searchable databases.

#### Hazardous Devices Unit

The Owensboro Police Department Hazardous Devices Unit was called into service 10 times in 2021. Members of the 6-person unit responded to incidents

when requested by Law Enforcement Agencies throughout Western Kentucky. The HDU is trained in the safe handling of and response to any suspected explosive device.



## **Evidence Collection Unit**

In 2021, the ECU processed 785 drug cases. The



Certified Latent Print Examiners processed 325 fingerprint cases. The ECU received 20 callouts, processed 7,452 property items and opened 2,564 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.



## **Unmanned Aircraft Systems Unit**

The Unmanned Aircraft Systems Unit (UAS Unit) consists of ten officers who have been certified through the Federal Aviation Administration to pilot unmanned aircraft systems. The UAS Unit was created to enhance public safety in those situations that require access to inaccessible or dangerous locations. The UAS Unit is designed for the following mission types: video/photographs for investigative support, HAZMAT response, search and rescue, barricaded persons / hostage situations / active shooters, traffic collisions, disaster response (floods, tornado damage, etc.), and other requests approved by the Chief of Police.

#### **Honor Guard**

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



## Central Dispatch - Calls for Service

Calls received on non-emergency lines	- 169,896
911 cell phone calls -	51,283
911 landline calls -	2,231
VoIP (Voice over Internet) -	3,352
Total Calls -	226,762

## **Records Division**

The Records Division processed 3,161 Accident Reports, 7,721 Uniform Citations, and 4,132 Offense Reports for a total of 15,014 documents in 2021. The Records Division applied for and received several grants to include Highway Safety \$40,000 and Bullet-proof Vest Partnership \$12,869.85.

## **Accident Reconstruction Unit**

The Accident Reconstruction Unit consists of eight officers with specialized accident investigation training in areas including: roadway evidence, vehicle evidence, speed calculations, momentum, final rest, occupant kinematics, and other areas. The Accident Reconstruction Unit investigates accidents that meet certain criteria including: fatal or life-threatening accidents, accidents involving police department vehicles where damage is substantial, accidents involving motor vehicles versus trains, accidents that are likely to result in felony criminal prosecution, and other accidents that are determined to be unusual and/or complex.















