

# **TOWN OF DAYTON POLICE DEPARTMENT 2021 ANNUAL REPORT**



**Justin G. Trout**  
***Chief of Police***

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## A Message from the Police Chief, Justin G. Trout

Welcome to the Town of Dayton Police Department's 2021 Annual Report. The Dayton Police Department is proud to serve a friendly and supportive community. The Dayton Police Department is a full service law enforcement agency providing 24-hour service year round.

The department works closely with the Towns of Bridgewater, Timberville, Broadway, Grottoes, the City of Harrisonburg, and the Rockingham County Sheriff's Office to maintain a quality of life where community members feel safe while enjoying the town.

The reduction in the risk of Covid-19 in 2021 allowed the department to host community events such as National Night Out, Coffee with a Cop, and Touch-A-Truck. All of the events were well received, and the department had a great time socializing with community members and businesses.

The department dealt with adversity in 2021. The retirement of one officer, and the resignation of another left us short handed for a couple of months. The officers pulled together and worked through the hard times. Two new officers were hired and will be introduced in the annual report.

The 2021 annual report will highlight the department efforts in crime reduction through criminal investigations, security checks, extra patrols, and traffic enforcement. The report will also focus on the department's community involvement.

The police department's efforts in providing a safe community could not be possible without the support of the Town Manager and Town Council. We want to thank them for their dedication and support to the department. In 2021, the department moved forward and faced issues with professionalism to provide a safe community for residents, businesses, and visitors.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Justin G. Trout", with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.



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## Dayton Police Department

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Emergency: 911

Website:

<https://www.daytonva.us/police-department>

Physical Address:

Dayton Police Department

125-A Eastview Street

Dayton, VA 22821

## 2021 Annual Report

### Annual Report Contributors

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Lieutenant Travis (TJ) Hooker

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On the cover: Picture of the Town of Dayton from Summit Street

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## Law Enforcement Code of Ethics

As a law enforcement officer, my fundamental duty is to serve the community; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the constitutional rights of all to liberty, equality, and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and will behave in a manner that does not bring discredit to me or to my agency. I will maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed both in my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the law and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, political beliefs, aspirations, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

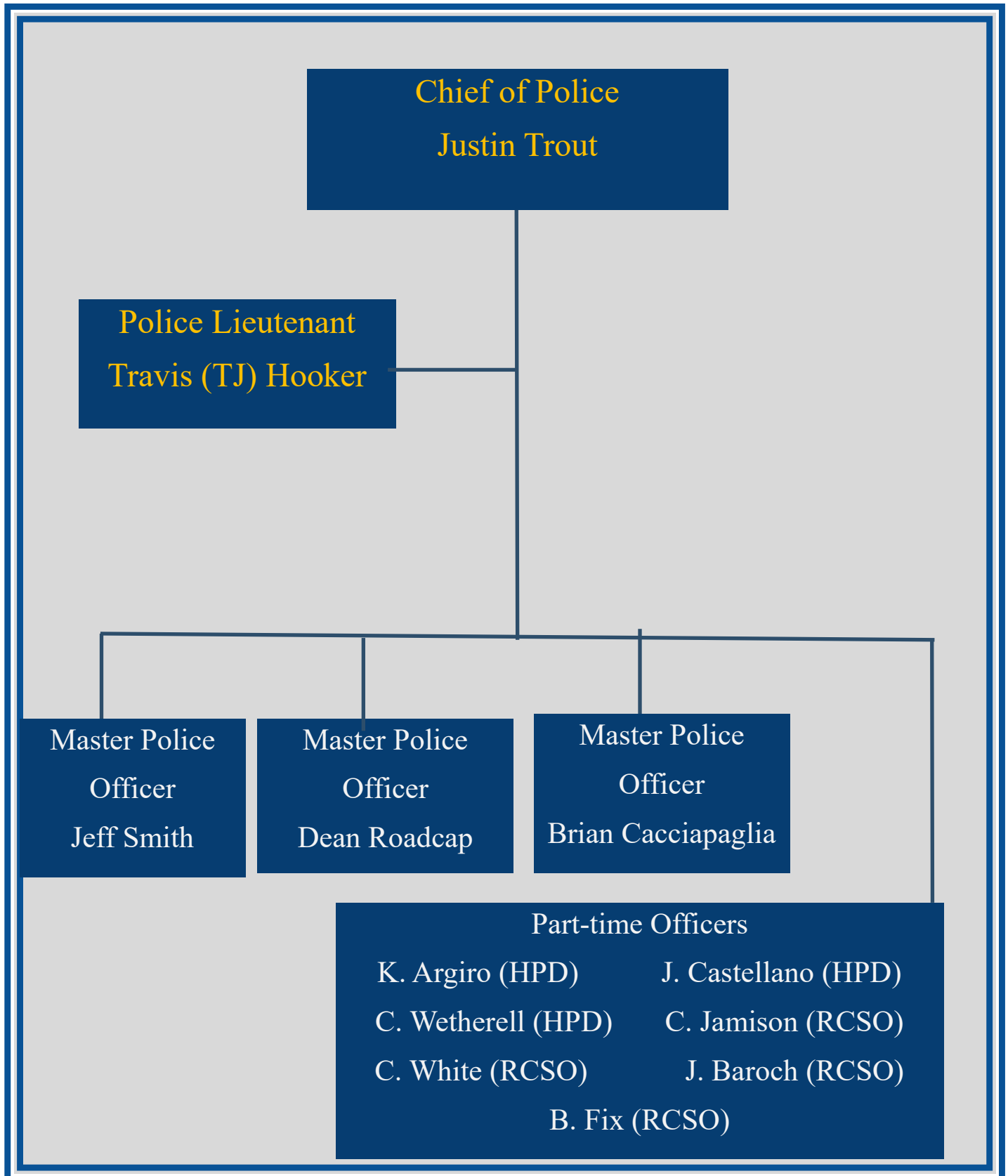
I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts by other police officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice.

I know that I alone am responsible for my own standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence.

I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession... law enforcement.



## Chain of Command



# Mission Statement

**The Dayton Police Department is committed to promoting a safe town through enforcement of laws, the prevention of crime, and education of laws, while providing excellence in public service through partnerships with our community.**



# **Vision Statement**

**In partnership with the community,  
The Dayton Police Department will:**

**Impartially enforce the law.**

**Protect the lives and property of our citizens,  
businesses, and visitors.**

**Reduce crime and the fear of crime by  
proactively pursuing violators of the law.**

**Maintain a high standard of integrity.**

**Provide police services to all with  
respect and courtesy.**



# **Core Values**

## **Integrity**

Being ethical and honest in the enforcement of laws.

## **Respect**

For community members, department members, & visitors regardless of age, race, gender, beliefs, or lifestyles.

## **Professionalism**

Striving to exceed the expectations of our community in our police services and job performance.

## **Commitment**

To maintain a safe community through proactive community policing.

## **Partnership**

Working closely with the community, businesses, and organizations is the foundation to our policing model.



# Department Personnel



Chief Justin Trout



Lieutenant Travis (TJ) Hooker



MPO Jeff Smith



MPO Dean Roadcap



MPO Brian Cacciapaglia





## Quick Fact Sheet Two Year Comparison

	*2019-2020	2021
<b>Town of Dayton Population</b>	<b>1,651</b>	<b>1,737</b>
<b>Square Miles</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>1.2</b>
<b>Town Budget</b>	<b>\$6,220,992</b>	<b>\$7,718,420</b>
<b>Police Budget</b>	<b>\$645,000</b>	<b>\$686,997</b>
<b>Sworn Officers</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Total Calls for Service</b>	<b>5,548</b>	<b>6,184</b>
<b>Traffic Stops</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>876</b>
<b>Arrests</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>11</b>

<b>Non-Violent Offenses</b>	<b>2019-2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>83</b>
<b>Larceny</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Drug Offenses</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Disorderly Conduct</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Counterfeiting</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Fraud/Scam</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>

<b>Violent Offenses</b>	<b>2019-2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Assault</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Domestic Assault</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Threats/Intimidation</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Sex Offense</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>

\*2019-2020 are combined as the new Tyler reporting system was implemented at the end of 2019



## Officer Dollar 2021 Retirement

Officer Reggie Dollar began his law enforcement career in July, 1999 in Washington County Virginia. During his time with the Washington County Sheriff's Department, Reggie was a Patrolman, SWAT team member, and a Field Training Officer. Officer Dollar and his wife Kristin moved to the valley in 2006 to be closer to family.

Reggie soon began his time with the Town of Dayton Police Department. Reggie fit right in with the Town of Dayton. Reggie was a good patrol officer, and an even better investigator. People would open up and talk to him. Officers like Reggie are not easily replaced, if ever at all. He had a great relationship with the community and businesses. He was friendly, courteous, and kind to those who needed assistance.

I met Reggie in February, 2019 when I came to be a member of the Dayton Police Department. Reggie's smile and laughter was infectious. Reggie was always happy, no matter what was going on in life. I can honestly say that I have never seen Reggie angry or upset. He told great stories and jokes, that I still laugh at today. Reggie left a lasting impression with everyone he came into contact with. Officer Reggie Dollar retired after serving his communities for 22 years.



The following are some of the things community members had to say about Officer Reggie Dollar:

Reggie was kind.

Reggie was always there for everyone.

He was so courteous.

He was always happy to see you.

Always had a smile.

He was handsome.

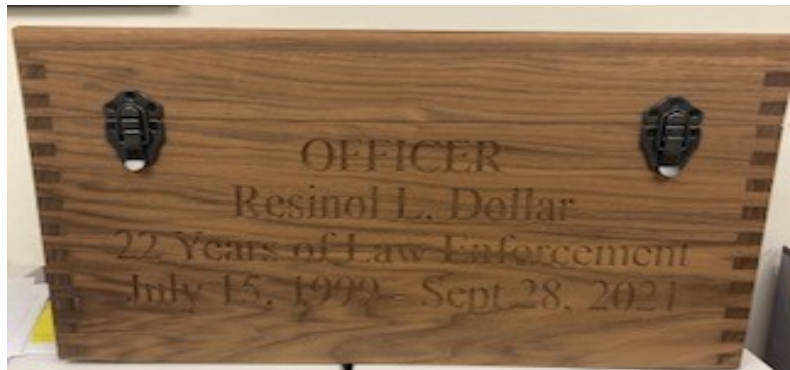
Always friendly.

Always there to listen to you.

He was funny.

A good person.

He is truly missed by the department and the community.



# Dayton Police Department 2021 New Hires



**Officer Dean Roadcap** started his Law Enforcement Career with the Rockingham County Sheriff's Office in 2016. Officer Roadcap joined the Dayton Police Department in October of 2021. Officer Roadcap has been a good fit in the Dayton community as he is a local boy who graduated from Turner Ashby High School. Officer Roadcap has been a tremendous asset for the department and community. When Officer Roadcap is not at work, he is spending time with his fiancé and friends enjoying outdoor activities such as fishing and camping.

**Officer Brian Cacciapaglia** came to the Dayton Police Department by way of the Waynesboro Police Department. Officer Cacciapaglia began his career with Waynesboro in 2015 and joined the Dayton Police Department in November, 2021. Officer Cacciapaglia and his wife wanted to move into the area to raise their family. Brian has acclimated well to the Dayton Police Department's community culture. Brian is another great asset to the department and the town.



# Crime Statistics

The Dayton Police Department is a full service law enforcement agency providing 24-hour coverage 365 days a year. The department accomplishes this by employing 5 full-time and 8 part-time police officers. Officers work 12-hour shifts, either 6a-6p or 6p-6a.

In 2021, the Dayton Police Department had 6,184 incidents. This number includes, but is not limited to, calls for service, vehicle crashes, traffic stops, consensual encounters, and residential and business checks. Officers responded to 636 more incidents than the previous year.

The Dayton Police Department documents all calls for service and encounters. IBRs (Incident Based Reporting) are completed for cases that must be reported monthly for national tracking under the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). Incident Supplements are completed for calls for service where the crime does not meet the criteria for UCR tracking purposes. Officers also complete field interviews during consensual encounters to document their interaction with a person.

## NIBRS

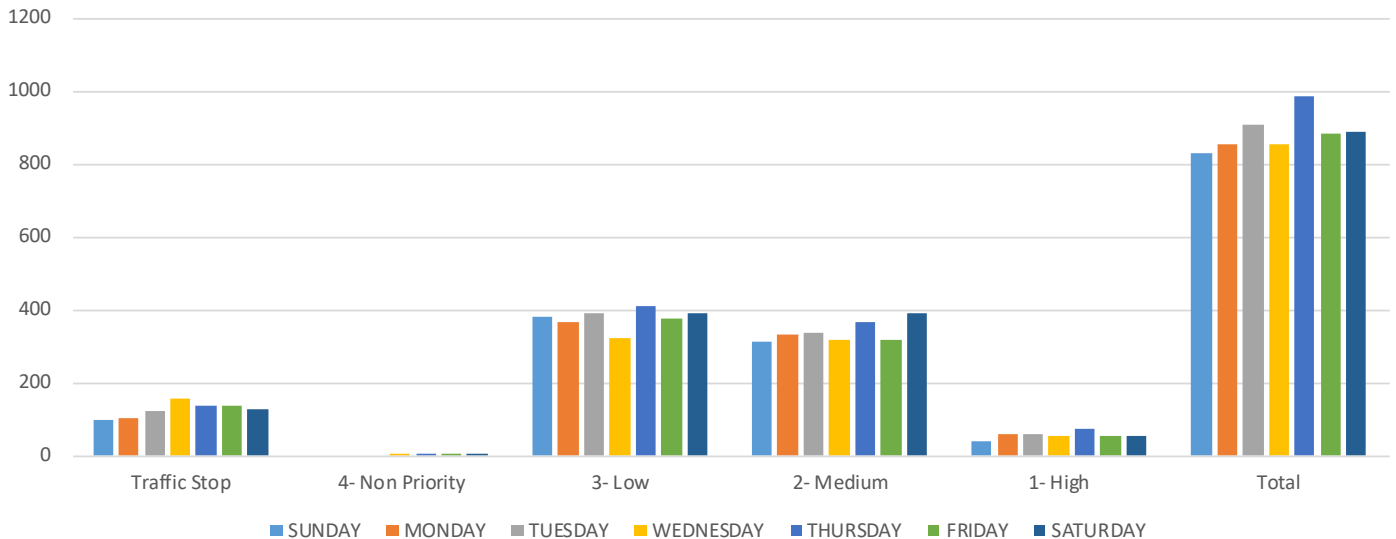
The FBI oversees NIBRS. NIBRS can provide more useful statistics to promote constructive discussion, measured planning, and informed policing.

All Virginia Law Enforcement agencies report IBRs to the State Police. The State Police then disseminate the data to the FBI.



# Crime Statistics

**INCIDENT PRIORITY TOTALS BY DAY**



## What are Incident Priorities?

**Priority 1-** These calls involve the imminent loss of life or property, where the suspects are either actively committing the offense or all parties are still on-scene.

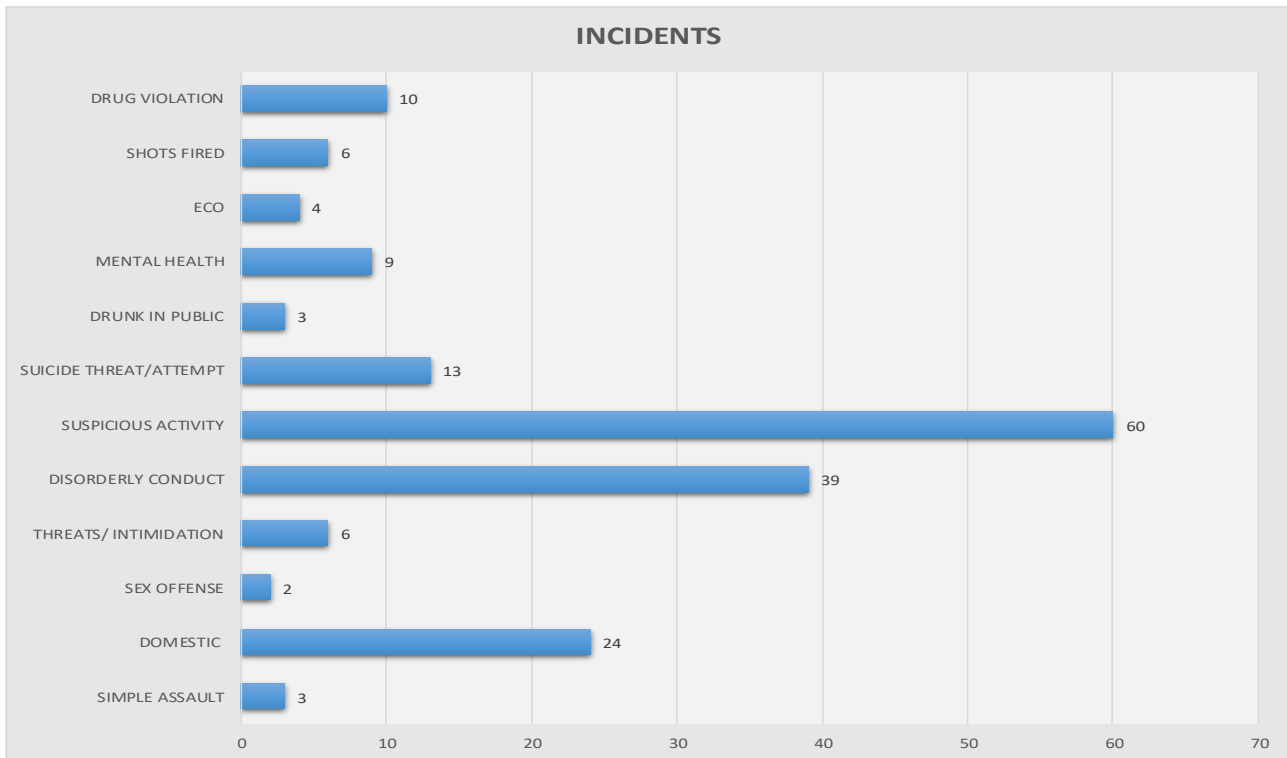
**Priority 2-** These calls are similar to Priority 1 calls and often involve many of the same offenses. The difference is that the offense is no longer being committed and the suspects may be in the area, but not at the scene.

**Priority 3-** Covers most non-emergency situations. These are incidents where there is no immediate threat to human life or safety and all involved parties are still on scene.

**Priority 4-** where life or property is not at risk and an immediate police response will not likely prevent further injury or loss of property and will likely not adversely impact an investigation.



# Crime Statistics

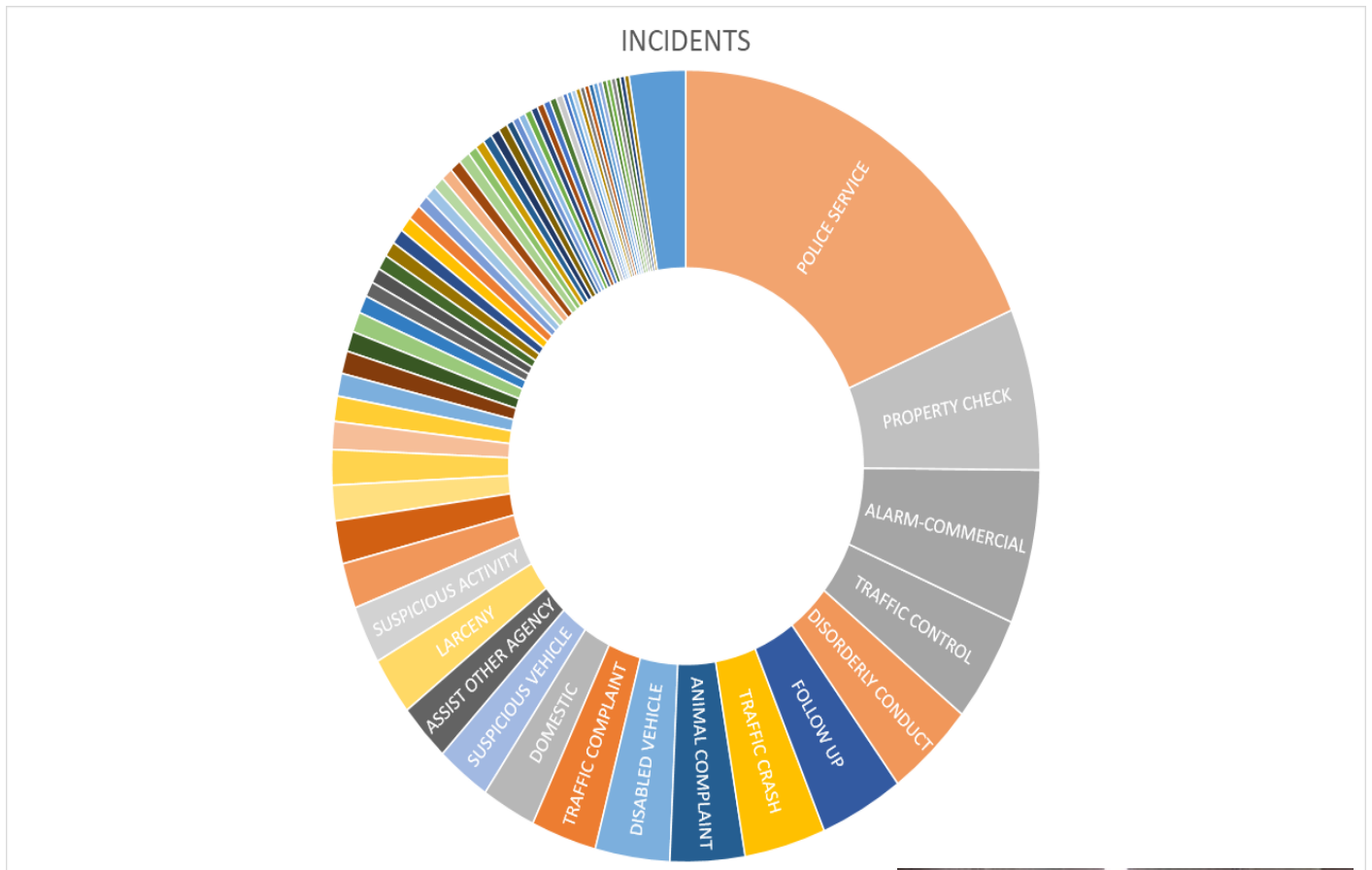


These are some of the more serious crimes Dayton Officers responded to in 2021. Dayton Officers work the investigation from start to finish. They respond to the call, gather all pertinent information, collect evidence, take pictures, write the report, and prosecute the case in court.



Lieutenant Hooker entering evidence in our evidence room.

# Crime Statistics



Dayton Police Officers respond to a wide variety of calls for service. Police officers in towns respond to all of the same types of crime as larger cities and counties, just on a smaller scale. Dayton officers are very knowledgeable and handle all calls from the response, to the investigation, and finally to the prosecution.



Lieutenant Hooker and Officers Roadcap and Cacciapaglia doing a walk through of the Dayton Market

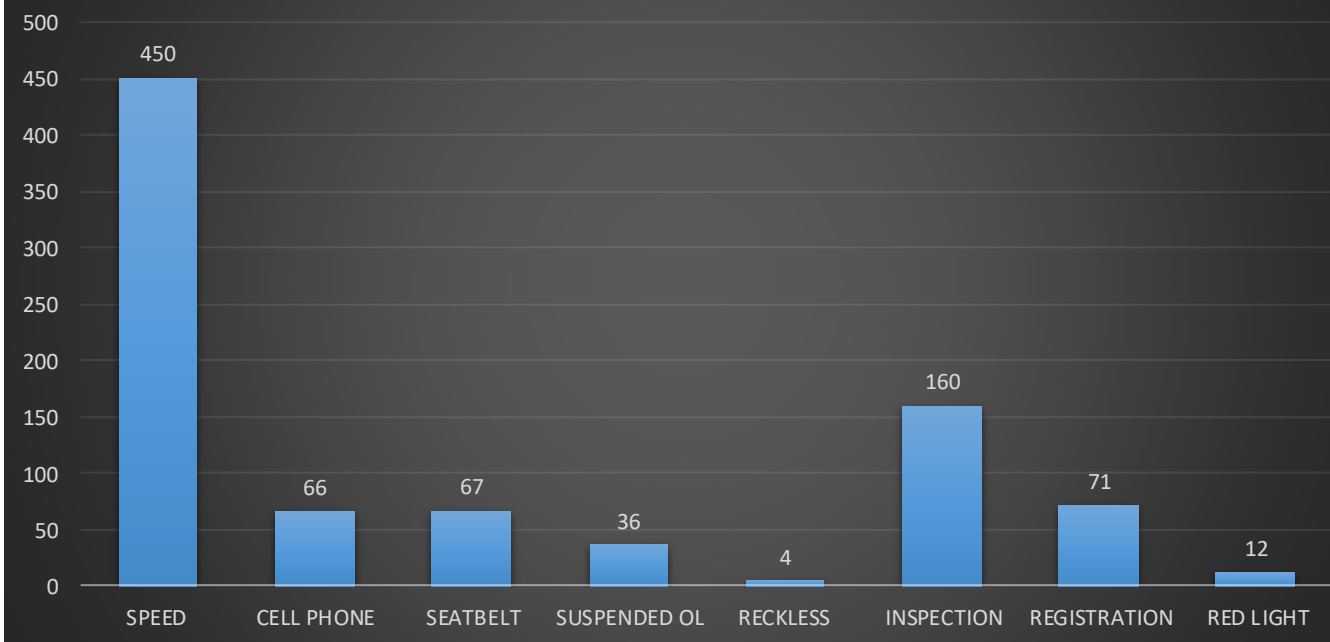
# Traffic Enforcement

For 2021, the Dayton Police Department conducted **876** traffic stops, and issued **953** summonses for traffic and vehicle related violations. The department receives grant funding from DMV for selective enforcement in the areas of speed and occupant protection. The department participated in Click It or Ticket, and the Drive Sober Get Pulled Over campaigns. Grant funds are utilized to reduce traffic crashes with education and enforcement efforts.

## Most Common Traffic Violations

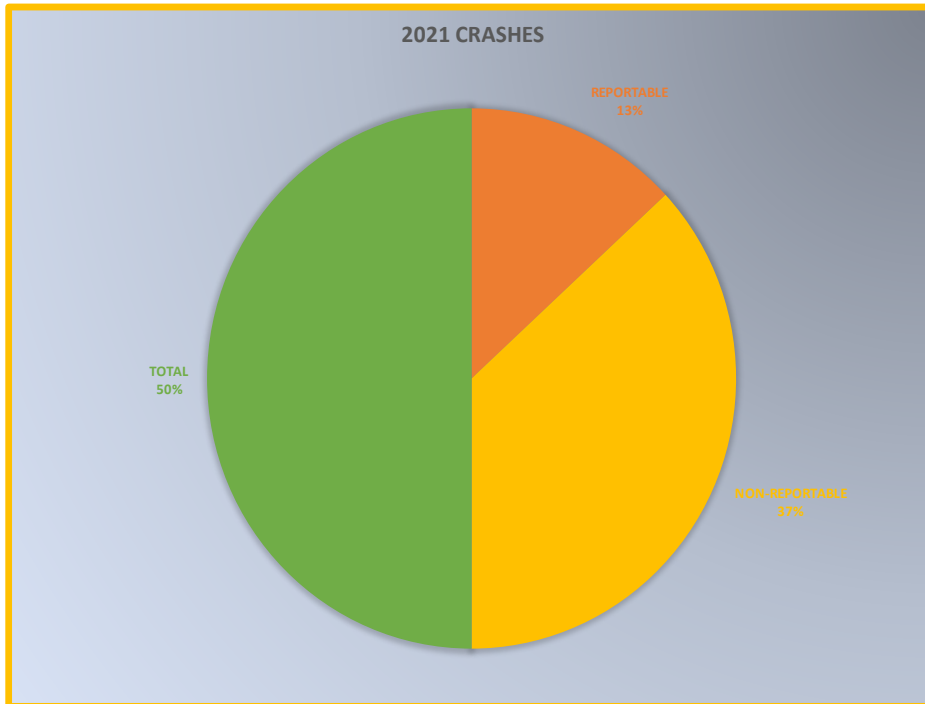
Speeding	450	Seatbelt	67
Cell Phone	66	Suspended/ not Licensed	36
Expired Inspection	160	Reckless Speeding	4
Disregard Red Light	12	Unregistered Vehicle	71

## MOST COMMON TRAFFIC OFFENCES



# Traffic Enforcement

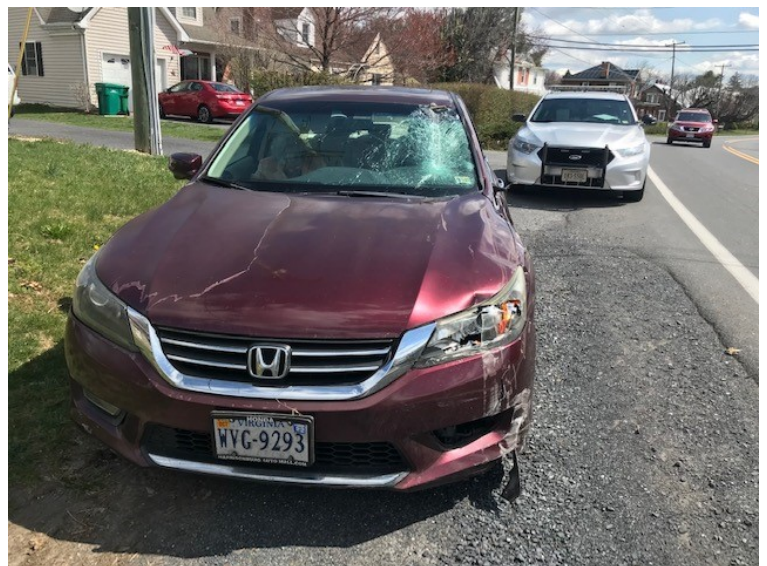
In 2021, the Dayton Police Department responded to 42 traffic crashes. The Dayton Police Department investigated 11 reportable crashes and 36 non-reportable crashes.



## What makes a Crash reportable?

- Motor Vehicle or it's load
- Occurs on a Public Roadway
- Crash involves injury or death
- Damage of \$1500 or more

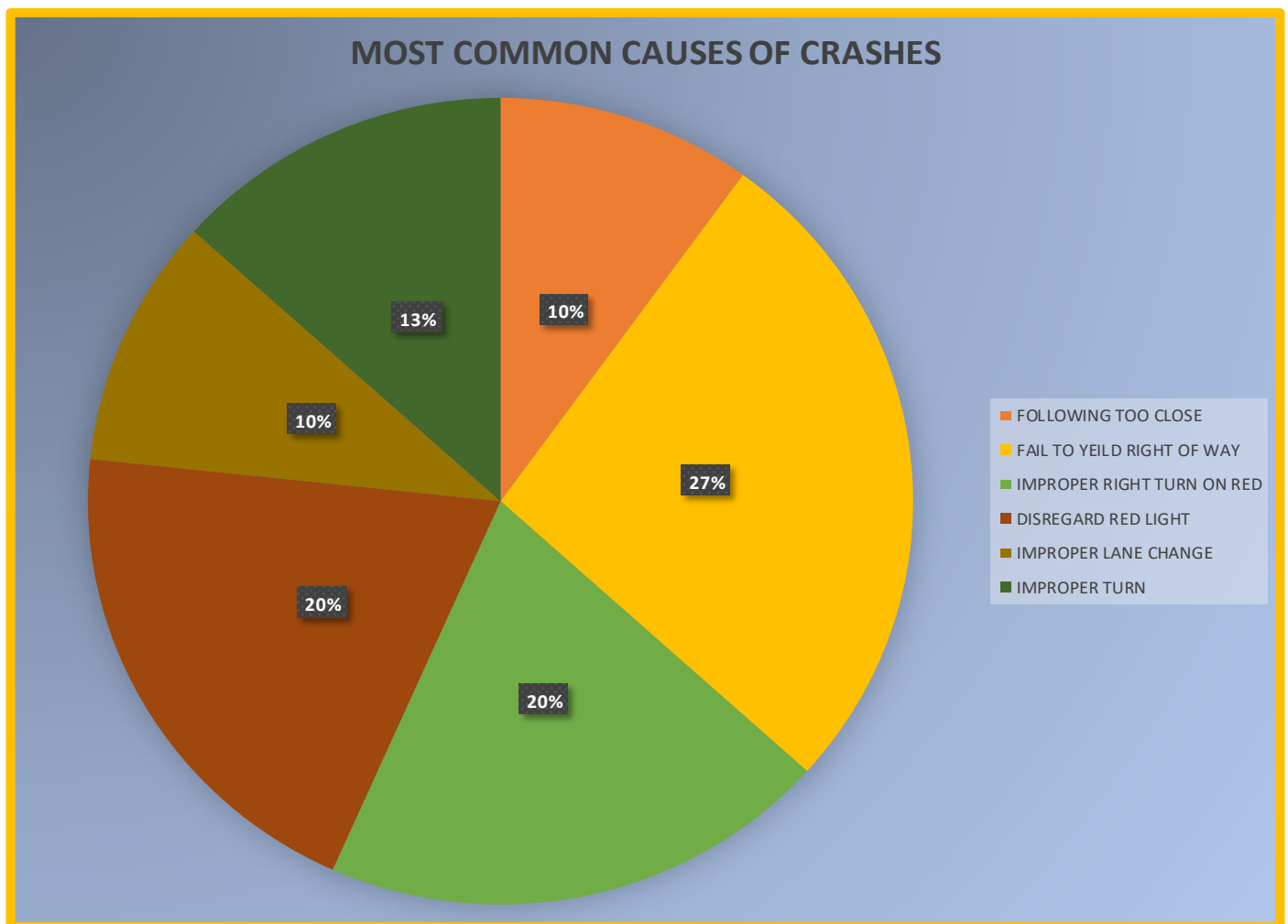
## Reportable Traffic Crash on Mason Street



# Traffic Enforcement

## Most Common Causes of Crashes in 2021

Following Too Close	3	Fail to Yield Right of Way	8
Improper Right Turn on Red	6	Disregard Red Light	6
Improper Lane Change	3	Improper Turn	4

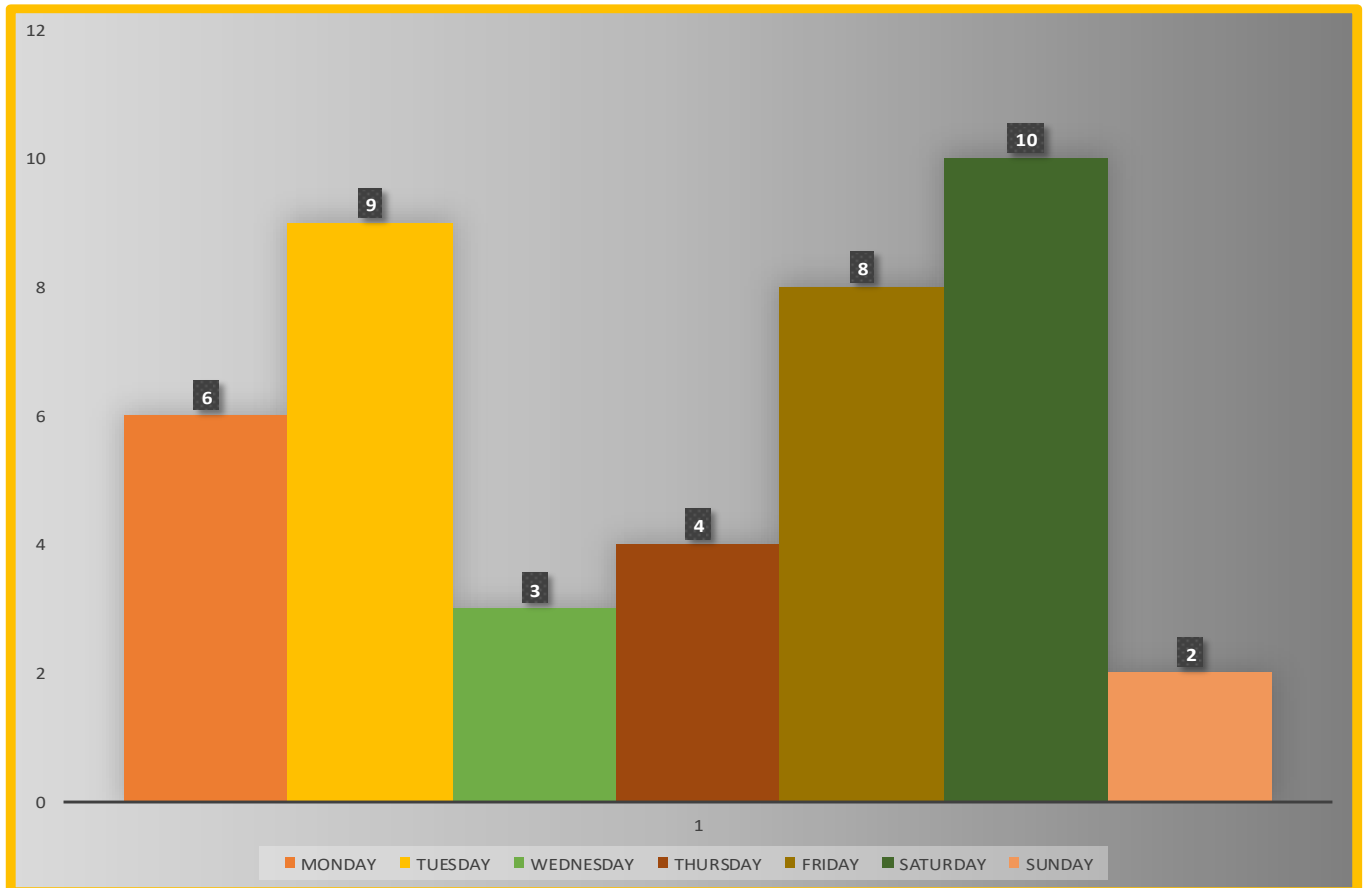
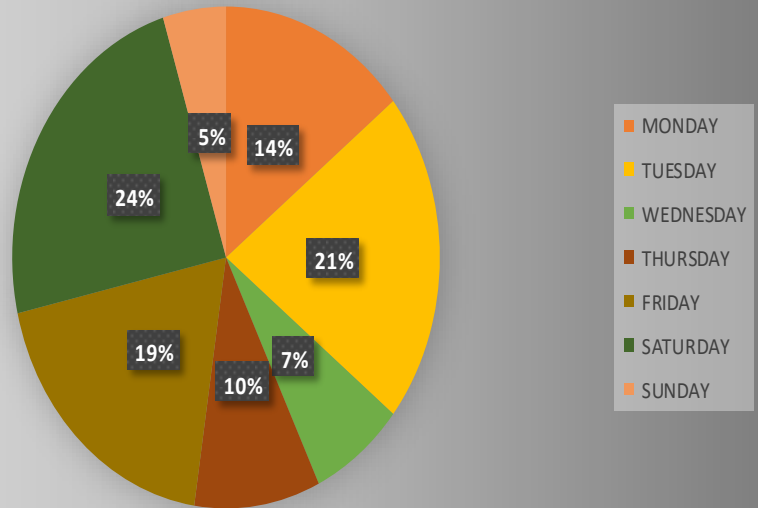


# Traffic Enforcement

## Crashes by Day of the Week

Monday	6
Tuesday	9
Wednesday	3
Thursday	4
Friday	8
Saturday	10
Sunday	1

CRASHES BY DAY OF THE WEEK



# COMMUNITY POLICING DATA

Effective July 1, 2020, HB1250 became law. The Dayton Police Department began collecting traffic stop data as required by 2020 Acts of Assembly Chapter 1165, the *Community Policing Act*. The act states that an officer who stops a driver or passenger of a motor vehicle, or a consensual encounter must collect the following data: race, ethnicity, age, gender, reason for stop, location of stop, whether a summons, warning, or arrest was made, what violation or crime was charged, and whether the person or vehicle was searched. In 2021, there were changes to the data collection requirements. Police departments now need to collect data on whether or not the person speaks English, if the person or vehicle was searched, and if force was used by the officer or suspect. Community Policing data is sent to the State Police monthly.

The purpose of the Community Policing Data collection is to ensure that encounters with community members is fair and equitable. After reviewing data from Dayton and other localities, the data shows that encounters are consistent with the demographics of the localities.

Dayton Officers have collected the required data on an Airtable form for every encounter with a community member. In 2022, this data will be collected utilizing the Brazos E-Citation system.

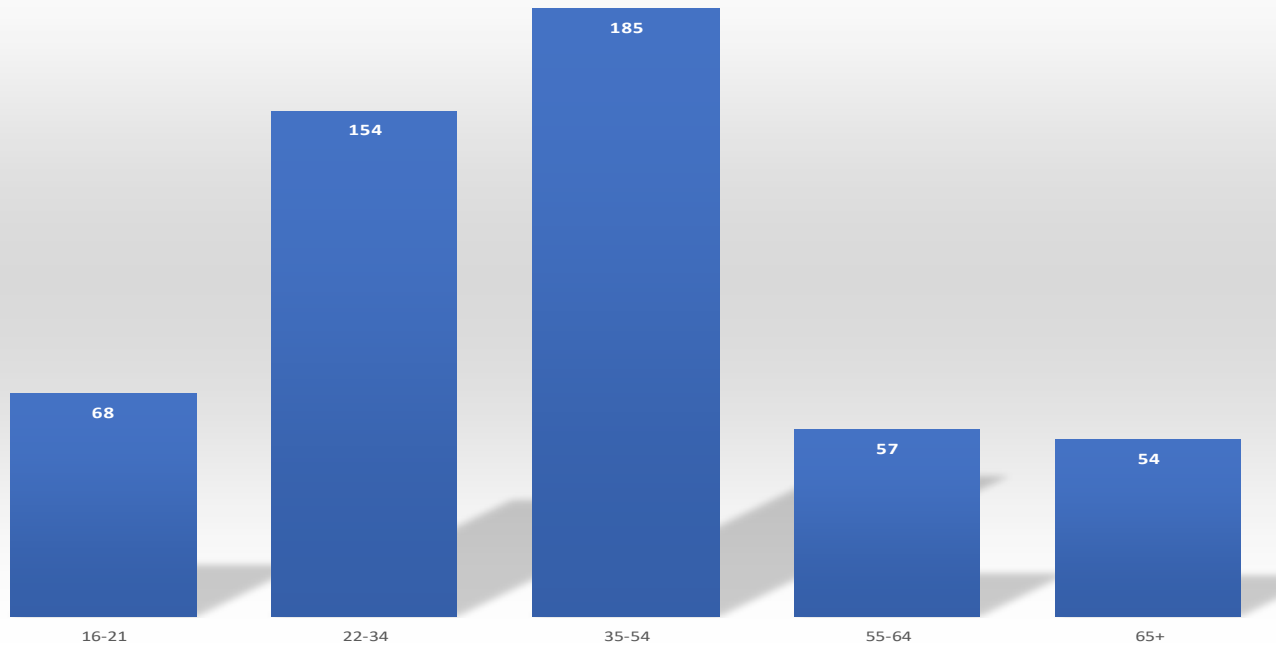


LT Hooker on a Traffic Stop at the Dayton Market

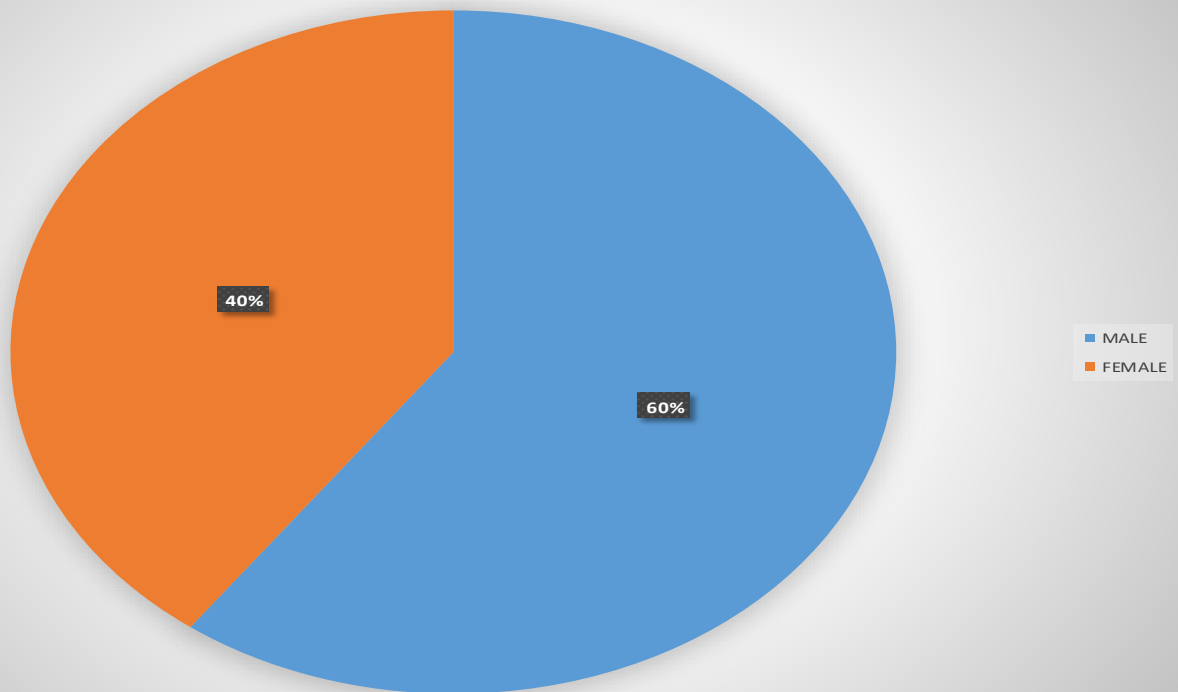
The charts on the following pages outline the data collected for the Dayton Police Department in 2021.

# COMMUNITY POLICING DATA

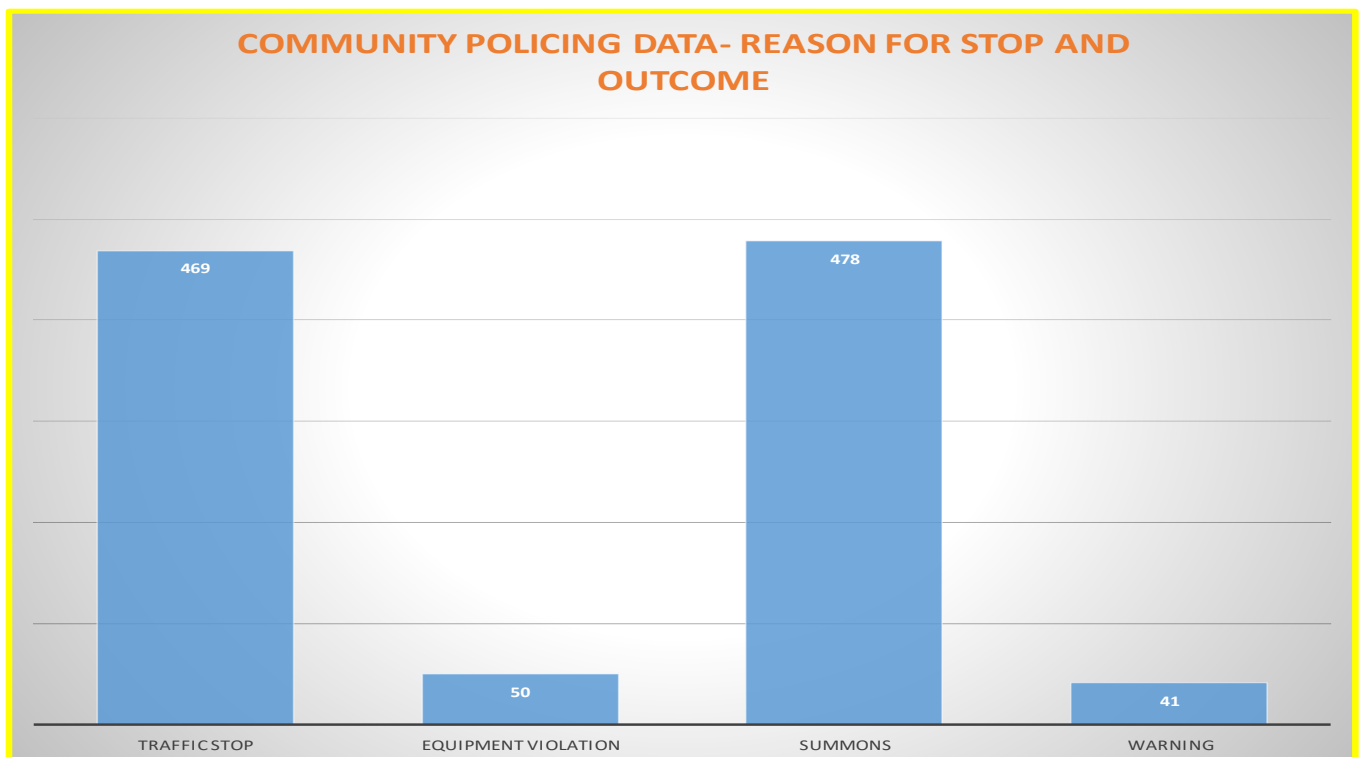
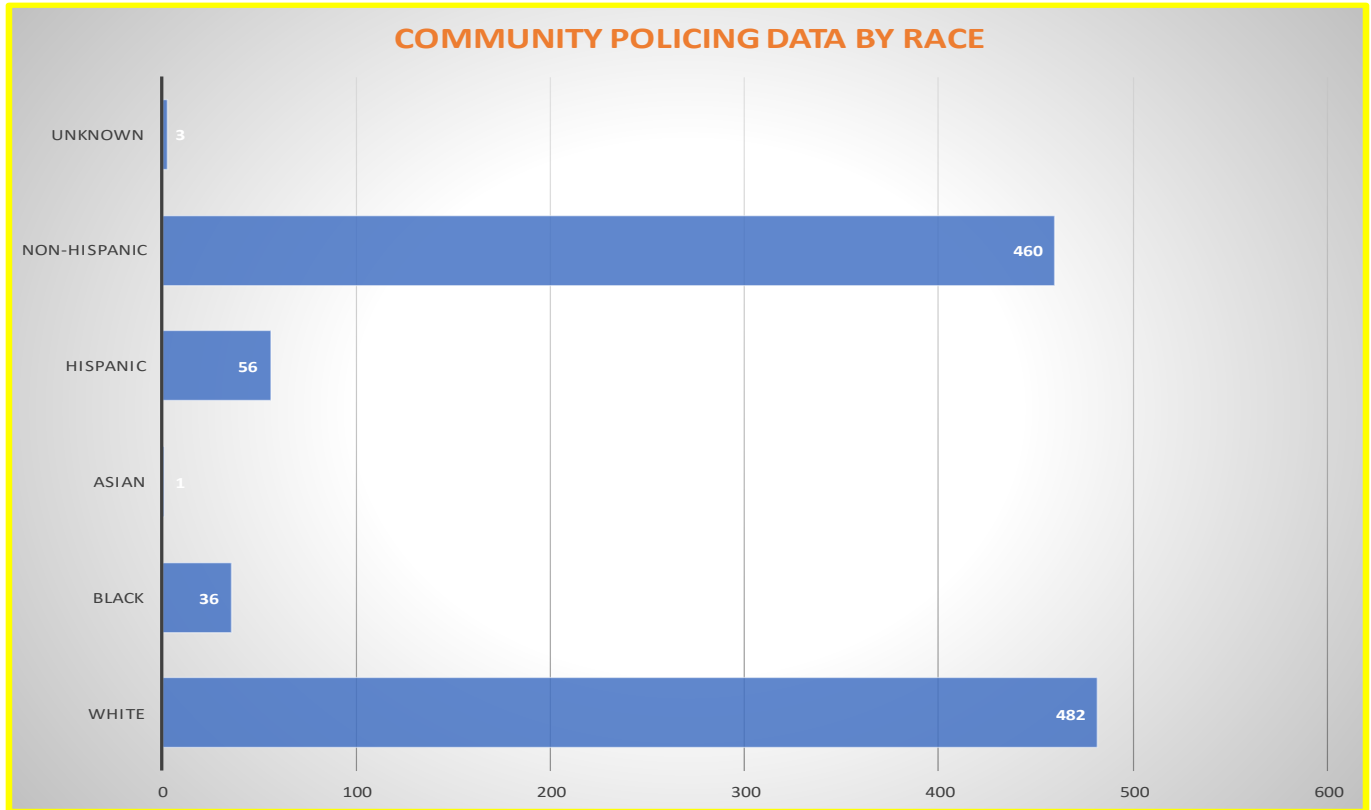
COMMUNITY POLICING DATA BY AGE



COMMUNITY POLICING DATA BY GENDER



# COMMUNITY POLICING DATA





# Training

Training is vital to an officer's ability to provide quality services to the community. The law enforcement profession is always progressing and changing due to current events, case law, and technology. Constant training improves officer conduct, greatly develops their interpersonal skills, improves competence, communication, and confidence which improves overall knowledge, skills, and abilities.

The Dayton Police Department is a member of the Central Shenandoah Criminal Justice Training Academy (CSCJTA). Dayton Police Officers attend a forty hour in-service every two years at CSCJTA involving career development, legal issues, and cultural diversity to maintain their DCJS certification. CSCJTA offers 85 other courses throughout the year both in class and online to improve knowledge in various fields.

The Dayton Police Department is also a member of the Rockingham Police Town Group (RPTG). RPTG was created to provide vital training to the towns in Rockingham County. Dayton, Bridgewater, Broadway, Timberville, and Grottoes make up the RPTG. RPTG trains five times a year. The training includes: firearms, yearly firearms qualifications, Taser, defensive tactics, driving, scenario based training, and de-escalation training. Chief Trout, Lieutenant Hooker, and Chief Dodd (Timberville) are the training coordinators and lead instructors for the RPTG.

Dayton officers attend various training sessions in house during the year. These trainings include, but are not limited to, police policy and procedure, bloodborne pathogens, CPR/AED, biased based policing, legal, and any other training that is dictated by current trends and events.

Dayton officers attend various conferences throughout the year as well. In 2021, the following conferences were attended: CSCJTA Leadership Conference, Virginia Chiefs of Police Conference, and the Virginia Law Enforcement Professionals Standards Commission/ Accreditation Conference.. Conferences allow for new training and networking with other law enforcement agencies and professionals throughout the state.

Officers have the ability to attend training in any areas they would like to improve upon or areas of law enforcement they are not familiar with.



# Training Courses



- LEGAL/USE OF FORCE
- PROFESSIONAL EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP SCHOOL
- RPTG IN-SERVICE
- BIASED-BASED POLICING
- IMPLICIT BIASED
- COMMUNITY POLICING
- DE-ESCALATION: INTERPERSONAL CONFLICT
- DE-ESCALATION: UNDERSTANDING AND RESOLVING CONFLICT
- USE OF FORCE
- SEARCH AND SEIZURE
- MENTAL HEALTH FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT
- INVESTIGATING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
- REPORT WRITING FOR LEO PROFESSIONALS
- 40 HOUR IN-SERVICE
- BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS
- TASER RE-CERTIFICATION
- AXON BWC TRAINING
- TASER INSTRUCTOR
- RED DOT PISTOL INSTRUCTOR
- PISTOL MARKSMANSHIP
- VCIN RE-CERTIFICATION
- DMV GRANT WORKSHOP
- SUBSTANTIAL RISK ORDER COURSE
- VIRGINIA LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
- POLICY REVIEW TRAINING QUARTERLY OR AS NEEDED
- CSCJTA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
- VALEAC ACCREDITATION CONFERENCE
- SCENARIO-BASED TRAINING
- DEFENSIVE TACTICS



Officer Cacciapaglia at  
Defensive Tactics Training

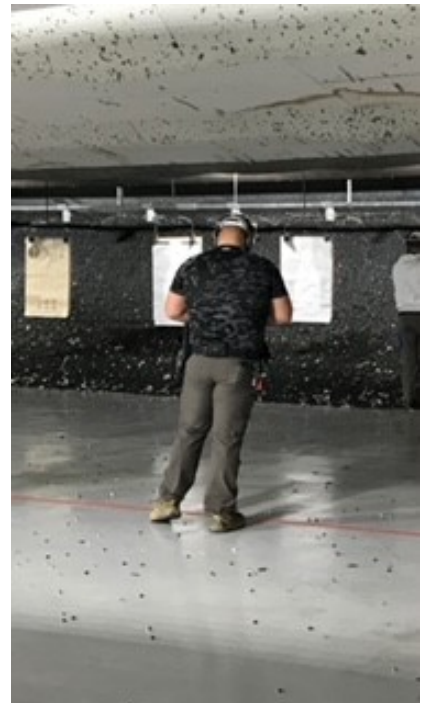


# Training Statistics

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>2021</u>
TRAINING HOURS	483.5
TRAINING COURSES	31



CSCJTA NORTH CAMPUS ENTRANCE



OFFICER ROADCAP TRAINING  
AT THE INDOOR RANGE



# Technology

In 2021, the department upgraded their Body-Worn Camera (BWC) system. The new BWC system added a number of benefits to aid the officers, Commonwealth's Attorney, and Community Members. The new camera system reduced motion blur, enhanced low-light capabilities, and can be viewed live stream. The sound quality was improved as the new BWCs have four microphones recording the audio. The department also purchased Axon signal. Axon signal turns on the Body-Worn Cameras when the vehicle emergency lights are activated, when an officer draws their TASER, or when an officer draws their firearm. This capability allows an officer to focus on the issue at hand without having to activate their BWC.

Axon evidence was included with the BWC purchase. Axon evidence allows the department to create an account for the Commonwealth's Attorney to have immediate access to BWC evidence. Commonwealth's Attorneys can now review BWC footage faster to aid in case management.

The Department was awarded a grant from the Department of Criminal Justice Services for the purchase of new Body-Worn Cameras. Total award amount from DCJS was \$22,754.



AXON BODY 3 CAMERA



AXON SIGNAL SIDEARM



# Property & Evidence

Property and evidence has been a focus again this year. Lieutenant Hooker is the Property and Evidence Custodian. Lieutenant Hooker has done a great job with transferring all property and evidence over to the new Tyler/ New World Records Management System. Lt. Hooker has also completed 88 destruction orders to destroy and purge evidence for cases that have been adjudicated.

In, 2020, Lieutenant Hooker attended a course with International Association of Property and Evidence Technicians to become certified as a Property and Evidence Technician. He is currently a member of the IAPE. Lieutenant Hooker has taken his knowledge and assisted other local agencies with their Property and Evidence rooms as needed.



LIEUTENANT HOOKER  
COMPLETING A QUARTERLY  
P&E INSPECTION



CHIEF TROUT ASSISTING WITH  
EVIDENCE DESTRUCTION



# Community Relations

The Dayton Police Department utilizes community events and interactions with the public to improve community relations. The department partners with many of the Dayton businesses such as the Dayton Market, Braithwaite Studios, and the Thomas House to host department events. These events allow Dayton community members to learn more about the officers and the department. Most importantly, these events allow officers to learn more about the needs of the community and how the department can improve police services.

The Department was able to host National Night Out in 2021. This was by far the departments favorite event. The department received sponsorships for the event that helped reduce the cost to the department. Food, drinks, a dunk tank, an inflatable obstacle course, and everyone's favorite donut eating contest were all part of this fun community event.

The department sent out a community survey in 2021. The survey was available online and links were posted in the Dayton newsletter and available on the Town's website. The answers to the survey aided the department in creating goals and objectives to improve the services provided by the department. Results are provided on the next page.

The department participates in all town events, providing security during Dayton Days Autumn Celebration and the Redbud Festival. The department also provides escorts for various parades throughout the year.

Dayton officers have a close relationship with Wilbur Pence Middle School (WPMS). Dayton officers are at WPMS every morning and afternoon providing traffic control. Throughout the day, officers walk through the school interacting with students and staff. The department participates in lockdown and fire drills at the school. Officers teach various classes and participate in the bicycle safety ride through town.

Community relations is the most important part of the department's job. The department is constantly looking for ways to improve and grow to benefit the community.



# Community Survey

## Results of the Community Input Survey:

### Satisfaction Level with the Police Department

VERY SATISFIED	SATISFIED	UNSATISFIED	VERY UNSATISFIED	UNSURE	TOTAL
67	48	5	0	1	121

### Have you had an encounter with the Police in last 12 months?

YES	NO	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE
53	69	All positive	No negative

### Do you feel crime occurs in Dayton?

YES	NO	UNSURE
50	3	68

### How safe do you feel in in Town? ( Scale 1-not safe to 6-very safe)

1	2	3	4	5	6	Average
0	1	0	12	43	67	5.4

The Police Department was very pleased with the results of the survey. The department will continue to do yearly surveys and Chief's Town Hall meetings so that we can continue to improve our services for the community.

The department would like to thank those that took time to complete the survey. Community input is valuable to the department to assist us with creating goals and objectives.

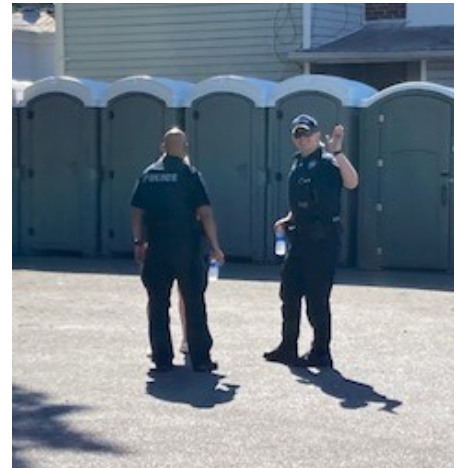
# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



# DAYTON DAYS/REDBUD



# TOUCH-A-TRUCK



The Dayton Police Department would like to thank the following people for their support of the police department:

**Town Council Members**

Mayor Cary Jackson

Vice Mayor Bradford Dyjak

Heidi Hoover

Robert Seward

Emily Estes

Susan Mathias

Robert Wolz

**Town Manager**

Angela Lawrence

**Administrative Staff**

Christa Hall

Susan Smith

**Dayton Community Members, Businesses, and Organizations**



**THANK YOU**