## **ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

## **POLICE DIVISION**



## **2020 ANNUAL REPORT**





Chief Harry Stewart 1943-2021



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## **ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S POLICE DIVISION**

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S POLICE DIVISION IS DEDICATED TO THE PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY, REDUCTION OF CRIME THROUGH PATROL AND ENFORCEMENT, AND THE PROVISION OF A SAFER ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH OUR CITIZENS CAN LIVE, WORK, AND PURSUE A BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE.

#### **CODE OF ETHICS**

As a member of the Rockland County Sheriff's Police Division, my fundamental duty is to serve humankind; 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 people to liberty, equality and justice.

I WILL KEEP MY PRIVATE LIFE UNSULLIED AS AN EXAMPLE TO ALL; 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 IN BOTH MY PERSONAL AND OFFICIAL LIFE. I WILL BE EXEMPLARY IN OBEYING THE LAWS OF THE LAND 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.

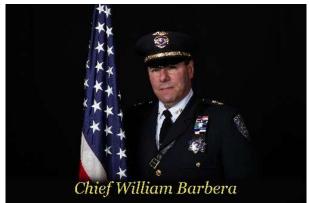
I WILL NEVER ACT OFFICIOUSLY OR PERMIT PERSONAL FEELINGS, PREJUDICES, ANIMOSITIES, OR FRIENDSHIPS TO INFLUENCE MY DECISIONS. WITH NO COMPROMISE FOR CRIME AND WITH RELENTLESS PROSECUTION OF CRIMINALS, I WILL ENFORCE THE LAW COURTEOUSLY AND APPROPRIATELY WITHOUT FEAR OR FAVOR, MALICE OR ILL WILL, NEVER 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 THE POLICE SERVICE. I WILL CONSTANTLY STRIVE TO ACHIEVE THESE OBJECTIVES AND IDEALS, DEDICATING MYSELF BEFORE GOD TO MY CHOSEN PROFESSION...LAW ENFORCEMENT.

#### **CORE VALUES**



Accountability: The fact or condition of being accountable; responsibility Commitment: The state or quality of being dedicated to a cause, activity, etc. Teamwork: The combined action of a group of people, especially when effective and efficient.



#### CHIEF'S MESSAGE

I HAVE BEEN WITH THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR OVER **37** YEARS AND HAVE BEEN THE CHIEF OF THE POLICE DIVISION SINCE **2012**. I AM ONLY THE FOURTH CHIEF OF PATROL IN THE HISTORY OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. AS THE CHIEF OF THE POLICE DIVISION, I WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE AND SHARE OUR ON-GOING EFFORTS WITH THE COMMUNITY IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN AND BUILD PUBLIC TRUST. WE ARE COMMITTED TO BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHILE PROVIDING THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF SERVICE TO KEEP OUR CITIZENS SAFE.

Let me take this opportunity to acknowledge the Sworn and Civilian members who honorably serve this agency and also recognize the strong support we receive from the community. It is our goal to maintain a strong partnership with the community using each citizen contact as an opportunity to strengthen and promote the mission and values of The Sheriff's Office.

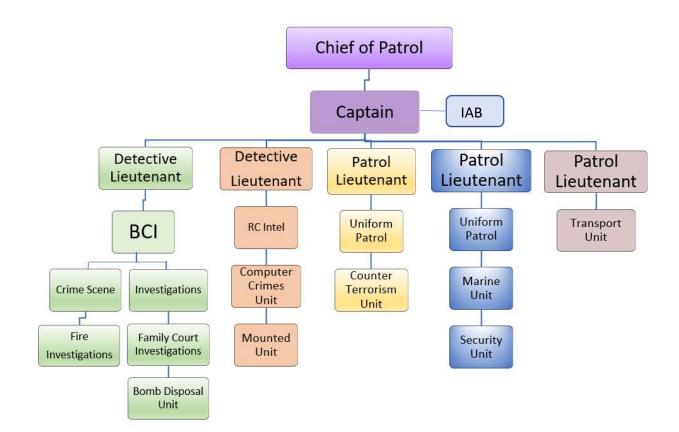
The protection of county properties and roadways are some of our prime functions. We provide specialized services to each and every law enforcement agency within the county. Our centralized services offer county-wide coverage such as the Crime Scene Unit, Bomb Squad, Marine Unit, Mounted Unit just to name a few.

As in previous years, we place a premium on engaging with our community to solve problems that affect our neighborhoods. Public safety has always been our goal. I encourage you to contact us with your concern or comments as we strive toward providing exceptional service.

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### **ORGANIZATION CHART**





















Det. Lt. Theodore Brovarski



# **UNIFORM PATROL**

The Rockland County Sheriff's Patrol is responsible for the protection of county properties, roads, thoroughfares, holdings and interests. The Uniform Patrol will answer calls for service and handle any and all complaints occurring in or on Rockland county properties. The Uniform Patrol comprises of 3 patrol squads covering the day and evening shifts. Each squad is headed by a sergeant. The midnight shift comprises of three teams headed by two sergeants. The patrol squads supervised by two patrol lieutenants, who also supervise specialized uniform services, like the Marine and Mounted Units.

Total Orders of	
Protections:	445
Served	382
Returned to Court	63
Total Incidents:	25 552
Total incluents:	25,553
Total Arrests:	386
Total Tickets:	2,677
Appearance	211
Parking	149
Warning	151
Uniform Traffic	2166









# **MARINE UNIT**





The Marine Unit is a full-service navigational safety and enforcement unit. It is 50% funded by The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. The Marine Unit is based out of two locations one on the southern end of the county at the Tappan Zee Bridge and the other at the northern end of the county in Stony Point. It utilizes three vessels to patrol the County's 33 mile water boundary from Bear Mountain South to Palisades, NY.

MARINE 1 IS OUR LATEST LAKE ASSAULT 34FT ALUMINUM CABIN PATROL BOAT POWERED WITH TWIN 300HP ENGINES (600HP TOTAL) EQUIPPED WITH A DAVIT, FLIR THERMAL IMAGING, RADAR, SIDE SCAN SONAR, ELECTRIC DEWATERING PUMPS, STAND-ALONE RADIATION DETECTION (RS-700)BY RSI, MARINE GENERATOR, MISC. RESCUE EQUIPMENT SUCH AS THROWABLE FLOATATION DEVICES (STICKS, BUOYS, ETC.). THIS IS A YEAR-ROUND BOAT. RADIO CAPABILITIES ARE 700MHZ TO INCLUDE INTEROPERATIONS AND ALL FIRE CHANNELS ALONG WITH OUR PD CHANNELS. MARINE VHF CAPABLE WITH ALL MARINE CHANNELS ACCESSIBLE. FIRST AID EQUIPPED.

This vessel was acquired mostly with Port Security funding. The County of Rockland matched just 25% of the cost keeping the cost to taxpayers at a minimum. Our partnership with Port Security requires us to patrol the Hudson River and provide security to High Value Assets as well as Targets such as the Bear Mountain Bridge, Indian Point, Tappan Zee Bridge as well as water taxi/ferry landings and any other vulnerable targets.

IN RECENT YEARS, THE MARINE UNIT HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SECURITY FOR THE TAPPAN ZEE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT. THE MARINE UNIT PROVIDES A HIGH VISIBILITY PATROL IN THE AREA OF THE TAPPAN ZEE BRIDGE WHILE ENFORCING THE SECURITY ZONE SET BY THE US COAST GUARD. THE MARINE UNIT FOCUSES ON EDUCATING BOATERS WHILE ENFORCING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE HUDSON RIVER. THE MARINE UNIT CAN BE REQUESTED ALL YEAR ROUND 24 HOURS A DAY.

Agency Assist	33	Port/Homeland Security:	206
Boating While Intoxicated:	1	Property Check	33
Directed Patrol	178	Public Assist	5
Disabled Vessel:	18	Request for Patrol	6
Hazard to Navigation:	8	Search and Rescue	8
Marine Unit Maintenance	43	Security/Safety Zone:	1
Medical Emergency	2	Vessel Accident w/ Injuries:	1
Navigation Law Complaint:	1	Vessel Accident/No Injuries:	6
Navigation Law Stop:	19	Vessel in Distress:	29
Party in Water:	10	Vessel Inspections:	26

# **MOUNTED UNIT**

THE MOUNTED UNIT WAS CREATED BY THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN 1962. ORIGINALLY AN ALL-VOLUNTEER UNIT, IT ASSISTED WITH CROWD CONTROL FOR SPECIAL EVENTS, SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS, AS WELL AS FUNCTIONING AS A PUBLIC RELATIONS ARM FOR THE DEPARTMENT. AS THE YEARS PASSED, IT EVOLVED TO BECOME A FULLY INTEGRATED POLICE UNIT AS PART OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, WHERE IT REMAINS AN ESSENTIAL COMPONENT FOR TODAY'S PUBLIC SAFETY.



THE MOUNTED UNIT IS ALSO A DCJS CERTIFIED TRAINING FACILITY. DEPARTMENTS FROM THE ENTIRE TRI-STATE AREA SEND THEIR OFFICERS TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE REMOUNT SCHOOL FOR MOUNTED CERTIFICATION AND AN ANNUAL REFRESHER COURSE.



The Mounted Unit regularly patrols the county parks, county operating centers, and local towns and villages. In response to a request from the Chiefs of Police, the unit is currently assigned to the Villages of Nyack, Spring Valley, Haverstraw, and Pearl River on weekends. These high visibility mounted patrols function in conjunction with local police jurisdictions to provide coverage in areas that have shown a high incidence of street crime, like drug sales, robberies and assaults. The Mounted Unit has also responded to the scenes of protests and public disorder, to assist with containment and dispersal operations.

SHERIFF FALCO EXPLAINS: "THE HORSES OFFER CAPABILITIES THAT AN OFFICER ON FOOT OR IN A VEHICLE CANNOT. FOR EXAMPLE, THEY ENABLE OFFICERS TO GET A HIGHER VANTAGE POINT TO ASSESS A SITUATION. THIS IS A TREMENDOUS ADVANTAGE IN CROWD

CONTROL. THEY CAN ALSO TRAVERSE ROUGH TERRAIN TO ASSIST IN LOCATING MISSING OR INJURED PERSONS IN PARKS AND OTHER AREAS THAT ARE INACCESSIBLE TO VEHICLES. AND BECAUSE OF THEIR SIZE, THEY CAN EASILY CLEAR A PATH IN A CROWD SHOULD IT BE NECESSARY TO GET AN AMBULANCE OR PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLE THROUGH. PEOPLE RESPECT THE SIZE OF THESE ANIMALS AND RESPOND TO THEM."



TOTAL INCIDENTS:	284
Agency Assist	16
Animal Care	70
Community	10
Policing/ Demos	13
Directed Patrols:	19
Facility Maintenance	70
Training/Maintenance	96

# K-9 UNIT

The Patrol K9 unit is a full time unit, and in addition is made available on a 24 hour basis for tracking and drug detection. The Patrol K9 Unit currently consists of Four K9 Teams.

This Unit deploys for Incidents involving: narcotics detection searches, tracking, warrant assistance, REACT support, public/school demonstrations and evidence searches. All K9 Teams have been established using asset forfeiture funds.



#### PO MATHEW MYERS/K9 HOLDER – TRACKING

OFFICERS MYERS AND K9 HOLDER ARE STILL ROCKLAND COUNTY'S SOLE BLOODHOUND TEAM. DCJS AND FBI CERTIFIED IN TRACKING, THIS K9 TEAM IS ROUTINELY USED TO FOR TRACKS OF MISSING ENDANGERED, CHILDREN, ROBBERIES AND BURGLARIES. K9 HOLDER IS OFTEN UTILIZED IN TRACKS THAT RANGE FROM HOURS TO SEVERAL DAYS OLD. K9 HOLDER WAS DONATED BY THE NATIONAL POLICE BLOODHOUND ASSOCIATION (NPBA) AND NAMED AFTER FALLEN NYPD DETECTIVE RANDOLPH HOLDER.

#### PO KEVIN GOLDEN/K9 LENNON - PATROL/NARCOTICS

THIS PATROL K9 TEAM WAS STARTED IN MARCH 2017. K9 LENNON IS A 4 YEAR OLD DUTCH/GERMAN SHEPHERD. THEY ARE SUCCESSFUL GRADUATES OF THE ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE K9 PATROL/NARCOTICS SCHOOL. OFFICER GOLDEN AND K9 LENNON ARE DCJS CERTIFIED IN TRACKING, EVIDENCE SEARCHES, APPREHENSION, HANDLER PROTECTION AND NARCOTICS DETECTION. THIS K9 TEAM WAS OFFICIALLY PUT INTO SERVICE IN NOVEMBER 2017 AFTER COMPLETING NARCOTICS DETECTION SCHOOL. K9 LENNON IS NAMED AFTER PO BRIAN LENNON WHO PASSED AWAY IN FEBRUARY OF 2017. PO LENNON WAS ONE OF THE OFFICERS WHO RESPONDED TO THE BRINKS ROBBERY IN 1981.





#### PO ANGELO BRAGAGLIA/K9 MAC- PATROL/EXPLOSIVES

This K9 Team was started in 2019. PO Angelo Bragaglia is partnered with K9 Mac. K9 Mac is a 2-YEAR-OLD German Shepard. This team graduated from K9 Patrol School, hosted by the Orange County Sheriff's Office. This K9 Team completed 18 weeks of training where they became NYS DCJS Certified in tracking, article search, handler protection and apprehension. This K9 Team graduated Explosive Detection School in December 2019. K9 Mac is named in honor of one of our own, Detective Aloysius "Al" McMahon who passed away in 2018.

#### PO JOSEPH MERCURIO/K9 OTT – PATROL/EXPLOSIVES

The Rockland County Sheriff's Office would like to congratulate the K9 Team of Sheriff Patrol Officer Joe Mercurio and K9 Ott on their graduation from K9 Explosives Detection School. K9 Ott is a 19-MONTH-OLD female German Shepard from Slovakia that Sheriff Louis Falco purchased using asset forfeiture funds. K9 Ott is named in remembrance of NYPD Police Officer, Patrice Marie Ryan-Ott. PO Ryan-Ott was from Pearl River and Died of a 9/11 Related illness. K9 Ott and his handler, Patrol Officer Mercurio. This K9 Team is scheduled to attend the last part of their training. K9 Patrol School in Mid-March.



# **TRANSPORT UNIT**

The prisoner transport unit was established in the early 1980s after the New York State Chiefs' Association filed a lawsuit and forced all Sheriffs throughout the State to take custody of all prisoners upon remand by the Judge to the custody of the Sheriff. The unit is responsible for the handling and movement of all inmates committed to the Rockland County Correctional Facility. It executes all remand orders from local and county courts as well as orders to produce from both these jurisdictions. In addition, inmates are transported to and from local clinics and hospitals and other institutions, out of the county, including State and New York City correctional facilities. The unit comprises of recently retired law enforcement professionals. The officers of this unit are responsible for the Care, custody and control of several thousand inmates, yearly, while transporting them, outside the Correctional facility.

COUNTY COURT TRANSPORTS	444
DISTRICT ATTORNEYS:	12
FACILITY:	42
FAMILY COURT TRANSPORTS	23
JUSTICE COURT TRANSPORTS	160
MEDICAL TRANSPORTS	167
Remands	146
JUVENILE/ADOLESCENT	46
Pregnant Prisoner	9
Other:	12
TOTALS:	1,044



# **SECURITY UNIT**

IN JANUARY OF 2017, THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TOOK OVER THE SECURITY OPERATIONS FOR ALL COUNTY BUILDINGS. PREVIOUSLY, THESE RESPONSIBILITIES FELL UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES. UPON INCORPORATING THE EXISTING NEW YORK STATE LICENSED CIVILIAN SECURITY PERSONNEL, INTO THE POLICE DIVISION NEW POLICIES AND PROCEDURES WERE IMPLEMENTED. THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE OUTFITTED THE CIVILIAN SECURITY AIDES WITH NEW UNIFORMS, EQUIPMENT, AND MARKED PATROL VEHICLES. THE SECURITY PERSONNEL WERE ALSO PROVIDED ENHANCED TRAINING. THE "GUARD 1" SYSTEM WHICH ELECTRONICALLY TRACKS THE PRECISE TIME AND LOCATION THAT SECURITY AIDES HAVE CHECKED A PARTICULAR AREA WAS DEPLOYED TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY. ADDITIONAL PLANS ARE CURRENTLY IN PLACE TO ENHANCE SECURITY WITH THE INSTALLATION OF MAGNETOMETERS, WANDS AND SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS. FURTHERMORE, A BADGE PASS VISITOR MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, WHICH WILL IDENTIFY AND TRACK VISITORS TO COUNTY BUILDINGS, HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED.

IN LATE 2020, THE SHERIFF WAS ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY RE-OPEN THE "OLD SUMMIT PARK HOSPITAL MAIN ENTRANCE". THIS NEW MAIN ENTRANCE TO BUILDING A HAS BEEN OUTFITTED WITH SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS WHICH INCLUDE A REDESIGNED SECURITY BOOTH, NEW DIGITAL CAMERA SYSTEM, AND A VISITOR MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (BADGE PASS). ADDITIONALLY, INCREASED STAFFING WITH A SECURITY AIDE AND A DEPUTY HAVE BOLSTERED THE SECURITY UNITS PRESENCE AND AT THE RYHC.

THE GOAL OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SECURITY UNIT IS TO PROVIDE A SAFE AND SECURE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL ROCKLAND COUNTY WORKERS AS WELL AS THE VISITORS WHO ARE CONDUCTING COUNTY BUSINESS. THE SECURITY UNIT STRIVES TO ACCOMPLISH THIS WITH PROFESSIONALISM AND TREATS ALL PEOPLE WITH DIGNITY, COURTESY AND RESPECT.

# **RESERVE FORCE**



THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S RESERVE POLICE FORCE IS AN ALL-VOLUNTEER FORCE FROM DIVERSE SOCIAL, ETHNIC, RELIGIOUS AND OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUNDS THAT IS USED TO AUGMENT AND SUPPLEMENT FULL TIME LAW ENFORCEMENT STAFF. IT IS DEDICATED TO THE PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY AND THE PRESERVATION OF A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE CITIZENS OF ROCKLAND COUNTY.

THE RESERVE FORCE ASSISTS THE REGULAR STAFF DURING TIME OF DECLARED EMERGENCIES, DISASTERS, OR WAR. THEY MAY ASSIST WITH TRAFFIC AND CROWD CONTROL AT PARADES, SPORTS AND SPECIAL EVENTS, RESIDENTIAL HOUSE CHECKS, CRIME PREVENTION AND TRAFFIC SAFETY. THEY ARE

THE EYES AND THE EARS OF REGULAR POLICE OFFICERS AND THE COMMUNITY. TRAINING FOR RESERVE FORCE IS CONDUCTED EVERY 2 YEARS.

## TRAFFIC SAFETY

VTL SECTIONS CHARGED BREAKDOWN:			
VTL1192.0A I	OPERAT MV CONSUM ALC LS THN 21	1	
VTL1192.02 UM	OPER MV BAC .08 OF 1% -1ST OFF	39	
VTL1192.03 UM	DWI- 1ST OFFENSE	58	
VTL1192.03 EF	DWI-PREV CONVICTION IN 10 YRS	6	
VTL1192.02C EF	DWI:CMV.08 OF 1% OR MORE-PRIOR	1	
VTL1192.02 EF	OPER MV BAC .08 OF 1% -PRIOR	3	
VTL1192.2AA UM	AGGRAVATED DWI:PER SE-NO PRIOR	9	
VTL1192.2-AA EF	AGGRAVATED DWI:PER SE-1 PRIOR	1	
VTL1192.02S UM	SPEC VEH08 OF 1% OR MORE-1ST	2	
VTL1192.01 I	DWAI ALCOHOL	3	
VTL1192.04 UM	OPER MV IMPAIRED BY DRUGS 1ST	6	
VTL1194.01B I	REFUSAL TO TAKE BREATH TEST	11	
VTL1192.02C UM	DWI:CMV .08 OF 1% OR MORE-1ST	1	
VTL1192.3V DF	DWI -3 PRIOR CONVICTION 15YRS	1	

#### STOP DWI (SPECIAL TRAFFIC OPTIONS PROGRAM FOR DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED)

IT REMAINS OUR OBJECTIVE TO CONTINUE AGGRESSIVE DWI ENFORCEMENT THROUGHOUT ROCKLAND COUNTY. WITH THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY STOP DWI AND ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS MADD WE WILL REMAIN TRULY DEDICATED TO DWI ENFORCEMENT AND HOPE TO PROVIDE A SAFER ENVIRONMENT FOR OUR CITIZENS. THROUGH DILIGENT D.W.I. ENFORCEMENT, AND USE OF THE DWI MOBILE FIELD UNIT, THIS AGENCY HAS SOUGHT TO INCREASE ITS DWI ARREST ACTIVITY OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS. IN 2020 THE DIVISION MADE 75 DWI ARRESTS.

#### STOP DWI VICTIM IMPACT PANEL

A PANEL OF VICTIMS SPEAKS BRIEFLY ABOUT THE DRUNK DRIVING CRASHES IN WHICH THEY WERE INJURED OR A LOVED ONE WAS KILLED. EACH PANELIST TELLS THEIR STORY AND HOW THEIR LIVES WERE AFFECTED BY THE CRASH OR THE DEATH OF A FAMILY MEMBER. THERE IS NO INTERACTION BETWEEN THE VICTIMS AND THE AUDIENCE; HOWEVER, A QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD MAY FOLLOW IF THE VICTIMS ARE WILLING TO PARTICIPATE. THE AUDIENCE MEMBERS CONSIST OF PEOPLE CONVICTED OF ALCOHOL-RELATED OFFENSES AND THOSE ON PROBATION FOR DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED.

Two officers attend each meeting. The officers are responsible for monitoring all of the Court Ordered (CO) attendees. They conduct Alco-sensor tests on all CO attendees to insure they are attending in a sober condition, and in addition all CO vehicles are screened when entering the parking lot area. This is to identify anyone operating while his/her driving privileges are either suspended or revoked for DWI.

#### **DRUG RECOGNITION EXPERT (DRE)**

THE DIVISION NOW HAS TWO CERTIFIED DRES, THANKS TO THE ASSISTANCE OF THE COUNTY STOP DWI PROGRAM. 2017 PO RUSSELL JOINED PO MOGER AS THE SECOND CERTIFIED DRE FOR THE DIVISION. THESE EXPERTS ARE CALLED ON OUT ON A REGULAR BASIS TO ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES (BESIDES OUR DIVISION) IN EVALUATING AND IDENTIFYING IMPAIRED DRIVING WHICH HAS BECOME A MAJOR HAZARD ON THE ROAD.

PO MOGER IS OFTEN REQUESTED TO SPEAK AT SCHOOLS AND OTHER VENUES ON THE EFFECTS OF IMPAIRED DRIVING AND HAS GAINED RECOGNITION FROM STOP DWI AND MADD FOR HIS EFFORTS. TOTAL DRE CALLOUTS: 5

#### DCAT (DRUG COURT RANDOM ALCOHOL TESTING PROGRAM)

DRUG COURT IS A SPECIALLY DESIGNATED COURT WHEREIN A RANGE OF SERVICES AND SANCTIONS ARE UTILIZED TO REDUCE DRUG ABUSE AND RECIDIVISM AMONG NON-VIOLENT, DRUG-ADDICTED OFFENDERS. DRUG COURT PROGRAMS BRING THE FULL WEIGHT OF INTERVENERS (THE JUDGE, PROBATION OFFICERS, CORRECTIONAL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, PROSECUTORS, DEFENSE COUNSEL, DRUG-TESTING PERSONNEL, REHABILITATION AND TREATMENT SPECIALISTS, EDUCATORS, ETC.) TO BEAR, FORCING THE OFFENDER TO DEAL WITH HIS OR HER DRUG ABUSE PROBLEM OR SUFFER THE CONSEQUENCES.

OFFICERS OF THE SHERIFF'S UNIFORM PATROL ARE REQUESTED BY DRUG COURT TO CONDUCT RANDOM ALCO-SENSOR TESTING ON DRUG COURT PARTICIPANTS IN ORDER TO MONITOR THEIR ALCOHOL INTAKE ON A 24-7 BASIS. THESE TESTS WERE CONDUCTED UTILIZING TWO SEPARATE METHODS. FIRST METHOD CONSISTED OF RANDOM HOME VISITATIONS THAT WERE CONDUCTED PRIMARILY IN THE LATE EVENING HOURS BY TWO OFFICERS. THE SECOND METHOD IS THE FUCHSIA TESTING, IN WHICH SUBJECTS WERE ORDERED TO RESPOND TO OUR STATION DURING THE EARLY MORNING HOURS, FOR ALCOHOL TESTING, BEFORE GOING TO WORK. ALL TESTS ARE RANDOM AND UNANNOUNCED. THE SUBJECTS ARE ONLY GIVEN 30-MINUTE PRIOR NOTICE BEFORE HAVING TO SUBMIT TO AN ALCO-SENSOR TEST. SINCE THE PROGRAM'S INCEPTION DATE OF AUGUST 1, 2008 MEMBERS OF THE UNIFORM PATROL CONDUCT ON THE AVERAGE 200-300 TESTS PER YEAR.

#### FCAT (FAMILY COURT RANDOM ALCOHOL TESTING PROGRAM)

This Treatment Court is designed to oversee and monitor the defendants who have been ordered into treatment after being in the position of losing their children because of substance abuse and other issues. The program demands that parents enter drug rehabilitation, get tested regularly, take parenting classes and receive counseling for their addiction. If they complete the three-phase program, which can last up to 18 months, their children are allowed to live with them.

OFFICERS OF THE SHERIFF'S UNIFORM PATROL ARE REQUESTED BY THE TREATMENT COURT COORDINATOR TO CONDUCT RANDOM ALCOHOL TESTING ON THOSE SUBJECTS BELIEVED TO BE IN VIOLATION OF THE TREATMENT COURT ORDERS. UNLIKE DRUG COURT, THE OFFICERS VISIT ONLY THE HOME, AND DO NOT CONTACT THE SUBJECT PRIOR TO THEIR ARRIVAL. THE PURPOSE OF THIS SPOT-CHECK IS NOT ONLY TO DETERMINE IF THE SUBJECT IS UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS, BUT IS ALSO AN AVENUE TO OBSERVE THE HOME ENVIRONMENT AND TO CHECK ON THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN WHO MAY STILL RESIDE WITHIN THE HOUSEHOLD OR WHO HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO THE HOUSEHOLD. IF ANYTHING IS DISCOVERED EITHER CRIMINAL OR NEGLIGENT IN NATURE, THE OFFICERS IMMEDIATELY CONTACT REPRESENTATIVES FROM CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND AN INVESTIGATION ENSUES.

#### PTS (POLICE TRAFFIC SERVICES)

The Sheriff's Police Division conducts targeted vehicle and traffic enforcement like red light, seat belt and distracted driving (texting and cell phone) violations. The funding for these programs is received through grants from the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee.

#### **CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY PROGRAM**



THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY (CPS) PROGRAM CONTINUES TO EDUCATE PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS ABOUT THE PROPER WAYS TO TRANSPORT CHILDREN SAFELY USING CHILD SAFETY SEATS AND SEAT BELTS. THE PURPOSE OF A CHILD SAFETY SEAT CHECK IS TO FOCUS ON THE APPROPRIATE CHILD RESTRAINT SELECTION AND PROPER INSTALLATION. AS A TEST TO INSURE THE KNOWLEDGE AND CAPABILITIES OF A PARENT/CAREGIVER, THEY ARE REQUESTED TO PERFORM THE FINAL INSTALLATION OF THE CHILD SAFETY SEAT IN THE VEHICLE BEFORE LEAVING THE EVENT HOSTED.

IN 2020 THE PROGRAM CONDUCTED MONTHLY FITTING STATION SEAT CHECKS AT SHERIFF HQ. A TOTAL OF 35 SEATS WERE INSTALLED OR CHECKED. FUNDING FOR THE CAR SEATS COMES FROM A GRANT ALLOCATION BY THE NY STATE GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE. THERE ARE 7 CERTIFIED TECHNICIANS.

#### LPR (LICENSE PLATE READER)

IN 2005-2006 THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE WAS AWARDED A GRANT FROM NYS DCJS FOR A MOBILE LICENSE PLATE READER (LPR) TO BE INSTALLED IN PATROL VEHICLES. SUBSEQUENTLY AS PART OF THE SECURE THE CITIES (STC) INITIATIVE, ADDITIONAL LPRS WERE ADDED TO THE RCSO PATROL FLEET, BRINGING THE RCSO TOTAL TO 12 MOBILE PLATE READERS FOR PATROL FLEET OPERATIONS. IN 2016 THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE ADDED A FIXED POSITION LPR TO MONITOR TRAFFIC IN AND OUT OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE/JAIL COMPLEX. ALL COLLECTED DATA IS UPLOADED TO THE INFO-SHARING DATABASE.

The use of the LPR has resulted in several significant arrests such as stolen vehicles and a vehicle known to contain handguns. In 2020 There have been ~5 million total reads from the Sheriff's patrol cars & partner agencies.



#### DRIVING SIMULATOR

IN 2017, THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE LEGISLATURE AND THE ROCKLAND COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY PURCHASE A NEW MACHINE THAT ALLOWS PEOPLE TO POTENTIALLY FATAL CONSEQUENCES OF DRIVING WHILE FALCO STATED THAT *"TEXTING WHILE DRIVING MAKES IT SIX TIMES THAN DRINKING WHILE DRIVING." "TEXTING WHILE DRIVING IS WHILE YOU'RE DRIVING. IT'S DANGEROUS AND POTENTIALLY HURT OR KILL ANOTHER DRIVER, A PEDESTRIAN, YOUR PASSENGER OR DRIVE."* 

THIS MACHINE WILL BE BROUGHT TO AREA HIGH SCHOOLS DISTRACTED DRIVING, THE DANGERS OF DRIVING WHILE REAL LIFE EXPERIENCE FOR BEGINNER DRIVERS.



#### TRUNARC DIGITAL DRUG ANALYZER

THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE HAS ASSET FORFEITURE FUNDS A THERMOFISHER SCIENTIFIC ANALYZER.

The TruNarc is a handheld device that enables than 415 illicit substances, including heroin, in a single test. Most samples can be scanned or glass minimize contamination, reduce exposure TruNarc uses proven technology and is currently law enforcement agencies in New York, including The TruNarc test takes the place of a traditional been used in grand jury proceedings. A full lab test ALONG WITH THE COUNTY BOARD PARTNERED TO LEARN ABOUT THE TEXTING. SHERIFF LOUIS MORE LIKELY TO HAVE A CRASH EQUAL TO HAVING FOUR DRINKS DEADLY. IF YOU DON'T WANT TO OR YOURSELF, THEN DON'T TEXT

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OFFICERS TO SCAN FOR MORE FENTANYL AND CARFENTANIL, DIRECTLY THROUGH PLASTIC AND PRESERVE EVIDENCE. THE USED BY NEARLY **40** OTHER POLICE LABORATORIES. NIK KIT FIELD TEST AND HAS WILL STILL BE REQUIRED FOR

## **COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

#### **PROJECT LIFESAVER**

PROJECT LIFESAVER IS A PROGRAM TO ELECTRONICALLY LOCATE THOSE WHO WANDER. IT PROVIDES A TIMELY RESPONSE TO SAVE LIVES AND REDUCE POTENTIAL INJURY FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE, DEMENTIA OR OTHER COGNITIVE OR INTELLECTUAL IMPAIRMENTS WHICH PLACE THEM AT RISK. THE PROGRAM PLACES PERSONALIZED RADIO TRANSMITTERS ON IDENTIFIED PERSONS. THESE TRANSMITTERS ASSIST IN LOCATING THOSE WHO WANDER RESULTING IN AN AVERAGE RECUE TIME OF LESS THAN **30** MINUTES.



#### **OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET** (PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISPOSAL

#### PROGRAM)



As part of a statewide prescription drug disposal program, the Rockland County Sheriff's Police Division has been approved as a 24/7 drop-off location (as of 2012) for disposal of expired or unwanted prescription drugs. Members of the public can simply come to our front desk and discard their unwanted or expired medication into a pre-marked container located within the lobby area of the Sheriff's HQ. (With no questions asked). Officers do not request ID from subjects, nor do they ask any questions pertaining to description or ownership of the medications being discarded.

The purpose of this program is to remove unwanted drugs from the household, where they can be easily accessed and taken for the purpose of illegal sales and consumption. Since the program's inception, thousands of pounds of unwanted prescriptions have been collected and destroyed via the Sheriff's Police Division.

IN 2020 ALONE 1260 POUNDS OF UNWANTED PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION WAS DESTROYED.

#### SILVER ALERT PROGRAM

TO HELP PROTECT AN INCREASING NUMBER OF CITIZENS WITH COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENTS WHO WANDER AND BECOME MISSING, THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND VARIOUS TOWN AND VILLAGE POLICE DEPARTMENTS INITIATED THE "SILVER ALERT" PROGRAM. THE SILVER ALERT PROGRAM IS MODELED AFTER THE AMBER ALERT PROGRAM FOR MISSING CHILDREN NOW IN EFFECT IN ALL 50 STATES. THE ALERT PROGRAMS CAN



QUICKLY DISTRIBUTE INFORMATION ABOUT MISSING PERSONS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT, RADIO, AND TELEVISION STATIONS. THE ALERTS ARE DESIGNED TO ADVISE THE PUBLIC OF A MISSING ADULT, BY UTILIZING ALL FORMS OF MEDIA, AS WELL AS USING OTHER MESSAGING ALTERNATIVES SUCH AS TRAFFIC SIGNS. WHILE THE AMBER ALERT PROGRAMS QUICKLY DISSEMINATES INFORMATION ABOUT MISSING CHILDREN, SILVER ALERT PROGRAMS ARE DESIGNED PARTICULARLY TO PROTECT INDIVIDUALS OVER 18 YEARS OF AGE SUFFERING FROM ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE, DEMENTIA OR OTHER COGNITIVE OR INTELLECTUAL IMPAIRMENT.

THE SILVER ALERT PROGRAM IS A COUNTY-WIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT INITIATIVE; IT ALLOWS LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TO DISSEMINATE TO MEDIA OUTLETS, VITAL

INFORMATION ABOUT THESE VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE WANDERED FROM THEIR CARETAKERS AND TO AID IN THE SEARCH AND SAFE RETURN OF THESE INDIVIDUALS TO THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEM.

#### <u>TRIAD</u>



This is a program that focuses on reducing the criminal victimization of older Americans, and the enhancement of the delivery of law enforcement services to these individuals. It is a symbol of unity between the Sheriff, local police, and the American Association of Retired Persons (A.A.R.P.) The main purpose is to reduce senior victimization, enhance a sense of security among seniors through education, training and involvement. It is designed to improve the overall quality of life for seniors. The Rockland County TRIAD and all police agencies in Rockland County Recognize that the safety

CONCERNS OF OUR SENIOR CITIZENS ARE A PRIORITY CONSIDERATION. THEY ARE MOST VULNERABLE TO THE CRIMINAL ELEMENT AND REQUIRE A SPECIAL EFFORTS AND PLANS FOR THEIR PROTECTION.

#### INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

OFFICERS FROM THIS AGENCY ADMINISTER THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM FOR AREAS COLLEGES. STUDENTS ARE AFFORDED TO THE OPPORTUNITY TO INTERACT AND OBSERVE MEMBERS OF THIS AGENCY IN EVERY ASPECT SUCH AS CORRECTIONS, CIVIL, PATROL AND COMMUNICATIONS. INTERNS RECEIVE A TOUR OF THE COUNTY JUDICIAL SYSTEM AND OBSERVE CRIMINAL COURT PROCEEDINGS. THEY VISIT THE COUNTY JAIL AND THE POLICE ACADEMY AND GENERALLY LEARN ABOUT LAW ENFORCEMENT AS A PROFESSION. THE STUDENT IS THEN REQUIRED TO WRITE A REACTION PAPER TO CONVEY THEIR EXPERIENCES AND FUNDAMENTALS DERIVED FROM THE ENTIRE PROCESS.

#### **ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY**

Animal cruelty being a serious problem, The Rockland County Legislature established Local Law # 2 of 2011 known as "the Animal Abuser Registry Law" to establish an online animal abuser registry. This registry is for individuals residing in Rockland County, who are convicted of animal abuse crimes. The Rockland County Sheriff was directed to maintain this registry.

#### **INTERNET EXCHANGE**

The Rockland County Sheriff's Office now has two reserved parking spots in front of the Headquarters Building, designated to provide secure transactions for the buyers and sellers from online marketplaces. Community Meet Up Spots are designated areas for buyers and sellers from online and mobile marketplaces to meet in-person to complete a transaction. The parking spaces are designed for the community as a deterrent to criminal intent or activity. The goal is to protect the buyers and sellers and to provide a location that will allow exchanges to take place in a safe and secure manner. The area is under 24 hour surveillance and is also recorded. Officers can monitor the exchange real-time through the use of external camera system.



#### FLOW CONTROL

This program is conducted in conjunction with the Rockland County Solid Waste Facility and Rockland County Health Department to monitor the flow control in the county and determine if all waste generated in the county is brought to the Rockland County Solid Waste Facility for disposal. We have documented 634 observations in 2020.

#### SOCIAL MEDIA

THE SHERIFF'S POLICE DIVISION MAINTAINS THE FOLLOWING MEDIA SITES:

- WEBSITE: rocklandcountysheriffoffice.com
- FACEBOOK: Rockland County Sheriff's Office
- TWITTER Rockland County Sheriff's Office
- INSTAGRAM: rocklandcountysheriffsoffice
- MOBILE PATROL APP (GOOGLE PLAY & APPLE APP STORE)
- ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE APP (GOOGLE PLAY & APPLE APP STORE)



#### TRAIN SPEED CHECKS

The Sheriff's Officers conduct random speed checks tests at different times of the day and night during the course of the month, as well as different rail crossings throughout the county. This is to document that the train speeds are in compliance with their own regulations. Total 2020 Checks: 181

#### SAFE HAVEN

THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S POLICE DIVISION IS ALSO DESIGNATED AS A SAFE HAVEN DROP OFF LOCATION. A DISTRESSED PARENT WHO IS UNABLE OR UNWILLING TO CARE FOR THEIR INFANT CAN GIVE UP CUSTODY OF THEIR BABY, NO QUESTIONS ASKED. AS LONG AS THE CHILD SHOWS NO SIGNS OF INTENTIONAL ABUSE, NO NAME OR OTHER INFORMATION IS REQUIRED. IT'S SAFE AS LONG AS THEY LOCATE A PERSON AT THE SAFE HAVEN DROP OFF LOCATION TO TURN OVER THE CHILD.



## **BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS**

#### STATEWIDE AUTOMATED BIOMETRIC IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (SABIS)

The crime scene units also houses and maintains the Hudson River West Region Site of the New York SABIS. This site has been in operation since the system's inception in 1989. SABIS sites were initiated by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice (DCJS) as latent fingerprint databases and contain over 8 million criminal and civil fingerprints. Latent searches may now be performed for both fingerprints and palm prints. Search results are usually available for review by examiners within minutes. These prints are constantly being updated in the database. SABIS is a multi-modal biometric system. It has the capability to augment identification processing with facial recognition and iris scan technology.

As an operational SABIS site, cases are accepted from any Law Enforcement Agency that makes a request. In addition to serving Rockland County agencies, cases have been received from New York and New Jersey State Police, the local field offices of the F.B.I., and local Police Departments in New Jersey.

As an enhancement to the site the Authenticated Digital Asset Management System (ADAMS) has been added to increase the unit's quality and productivity. This system allows complete digital management and enhances latent prints while searching the NYS database and the federal (FBI) database thereby increasing the number of total identifications. SABIS can also perform remote searches of the FBI's Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System (IAFIS) which has a nationwide file of over 800 million images.

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#### **2020 TOTALS:**

NEW CASE LATENT COMPARISON:



TOTAL CASES ENTERED:255TOTAL IDENTIFICATIONS:39

#### **CRIME SCENE UNIT**

THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRIME SCENE UNIT WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1958 AT THE REQUEST OF THE POLICE CHIEFS AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF ROCKLAND COUNTY. IT IS THE MAIN SOURCE OF CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION FOR NEARLY EVERY POLICE AGENCY IN ROCKLAND. THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S CRIME SCENE UNIT HAS **3** LEVEL 3 LATENT FINGERPRINT EXAMINERS. NO OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN ROCKLAND COUNTY HAS ATTAINED SUCH A HIGH LEVEL OF CERTIFICATION. THE MEMBERS OF THIS UNIT ALSO PROVIDE EXPERT COURTROOM TESTIMONY IN COUNTY, STATE AND FEDERAL INVESTIGATIONS.



#### **2020 TOTALS**

INVESTIGATIONS	621	DNA COLLECTION	22
PHOTO ARRAYS	8	PHOTOGRAPH DETAIL	29

#### LIVE SCAN FINGERPRINTING SYSTEM

THE ROCKLAND COUNTY POLICE DIVISION UTILIZES THE LIVE SCAN FINGERPRINTING SYSTEM FOR PRINTING CRIMINAL SUBJECTS AS WELL AS PRIVATE CITIZENS. ALL FINGERPRINTS ARE TAKEN DIGITALLY AND SENT DIRECTLY TO ALBANY FOR PROCESSING USING A COMPUTER. THE DIVISION NOW ALSO HAS THE ABILITY TO PROCESS FINGERPRINTS IN THE FIELD THROUGH THE USE OF A PORTABLE UNIT FUNDED THE COUNTY STOP DWI PROGRAM.

THE CRIME SCENE UNIT PROVIDES FINGERPRINTING SERVICES ON A DAILY BASIS FOR THE ROCKLAND COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE (PISTOL PERMIT SECTION). FINGERPRINTING SERVICES FOR THE PRIVATE SECTOR ARE ALSO PROVIDED FOR LICENSED PROFESSIONS SUCH AS NURSING, OR CHILDCARE WHICH REQUIRE CERTIFICATION. IN CASES WHERE THE IDENTITY IS IN QUESTION, THEIR FINGERPRINTS CAN BE SENT OUT DIRECTLY AND RETURNED WITHIN TWO HOURS

<b>2020 TOTALS:</b> PISTOL APPLICANTS:	725	CIVILIAN	203
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#### FARO LASER SCANNER

CRIME SCENE UNIT DETECTIVES ARE TRAINED IN COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN APPLICATIONS FOR THIS EQUIPMENT. THE EQUIPMENT IS USED TO CAPTURE A 360 DEGREE IMAGE OF CRIME SCENES, AND CREATES A VIRTUAL 3D / PANORAMIC VIEW THAT CAN BE USED TO SHOW THE DETAILS OF A CRIME SCENE IN THE COURTROOM. INVESTIGATORS ALSO RELY ON THIS EQUIPMENT FOR ITS ABILITY TO TAKE PRECISE MEASUREMENTS.

#### **FIRE INVESTIGATIONS**

THE BCI FIRE INVESTIGATION UNIT OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE HAS 3 NATIONAL PRO-BOARD-CERTIFIED FIRE INVESTIGATORS (HIGHEST LEVEL OF CERTIFICATION) AND ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATORS ALL AVAILABLE TO RESPOND TO AND INVESTIGATE FIRES THAT ARE DEEMED TO BE SUSPICIOUS IN NATURE OR FOR WHICH THE CAUSE AND ORIGIN ARE UNKNOWN.

The unit utilizes Bomb Arson Tracking System (BATS), an advanced fire pattern tracking software to monitor and track undetermined fires within the County. Additionally, the unit regularly interacts with the Fire services and trains firefighters within the county on the recognition of arson and the preservation of evidence.

The unit also oversees and coordinates the Juvenile Firesetter Program. This program has been established to help reduce the number of fires started by juveniles within our community. The program is designed to assist parents and their children in understanding the dangers of playing with fire, how to prevent repeat behavior, and help those who may have a desire to set fires. It also helps them understand the consequences of their fire setting behavior.

The unit conducts background investigations for all applicants of the 26 volunteer fire departments in the County as per statutory requirements in the State.

RECENTLY THE UNIT BEGAN A STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP WITH THE ROCKLAND COUNTY FIRE PREVENTION COMMITTEE. THIS NEW ALLIANCE WILL HELP BOTH ENTITIES FULFILL THEIR RESPECTIVE MISSIONS BY DELIVERING SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY UTILIZING SHARED EQUIPMENT AND EXPERTISE FROM EACH ORGANIZATION.

2020 TOTALS			
INCENDIARY	11		
Accidental	30		
Environmental	4		
Undetermined	22		
FIRE APPLICANT	152		
HOSPITAL BURN REPORT	42		
Multi Dwelling	2		
COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE	2		
OTHER STRUCTURE	2		
FIRE IN A STRUCTURE	5		
VEHICLE	5		
K9 Sniff	3		
1/2 FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	8		

THE UNIT ALSO UTILIZES DRONE AND DIGITAL MAPPING TECHNOLOGIES TO ASSIST IN SURVEYING FIRE DAMAGE, DETECTING A FIRE'S ORIGIN AND DIRECTION.









#### **BOMB DISPOSAL AND EXPLOSIVE DETECTION**

IN A CONTINUING EFFORT TO COMBAT TERRORISTS AND DOMESTIC ACTS OF VIOLENCE, THE BCI UNIT OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE HAS ESTABLISHED A FULLY OPERATIONAL BOMB SQUAD. THE SQUAD CONSISTS OF **3** TECHNICIANS & **1** DUAL PURPOSE EXPLOSIVES DETECTION K **9**.

SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE UNIT IN **2004** THE BOMB SQUAD HAS RECEIVED EXTENSIVE FUNDING THROUGH VARIOUS AVAILABLE FEDERAL GRANTS. THESE GRANTS WERE INITIALLY UTILIZED TO

START THE UNIT AND SINCE HAVE PAID FOR THEIR TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT. IT HAS ALSO COVERED THE PURCHASE OF TWO WELL-EQUIPPED RESPONSE VEHICLES, ROBOTS, AND A TOTAL CONTAINMENT VESSEL. GRANTS HAVE BEEN UTILIZED FOR THE PURCHASE OF NEW CANINES AS WELL AS NEW VEHICLES FOR THE UNIT.

THE TEAM IS TRAINED AND EQUIPPED TO RESPOND TO ALL TYPES OF HAZARDOUS DEVICES AND EXPLOSIVE MATERIAL INCIDENTS, AS WELL AS CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL AND RADIOLOGICAL INCIDENTS. THE TEAM IS ALSO TRAINED IN POST-BLAST INVESTIGATIONS.

BOMB DEMO: **3** BOMB INCIDENTS: **31** BOMB TRAINING: **67** 

**INVESTIGATIONS -**THE BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS (BCI) CONDUCTS CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS INTO ALL CRIMINAL MATTERS SPECIFICALLY ORIGINATING WITHIN THE PATROL DIVISION, THE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, ALL COUNTY- OWNED PROPERTIES/FACILITIES AND ALL ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE MUNICIPALITY AND COMMUNITY IN GENERAL. OFFICERS CARRY OUT INVESTIGATIVE WORK RELATIVE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES ADULT SUPPORT COLLECTION FUNCTION. IN ADDITION, THE UNIT ALSO CONDUCTS INVESTIGATIONS INTO INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE DEPARTMENT AND WORKS WITH LOCAL AND STATE POLICE ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST AND CONCERN. THE UNIT RENDERS INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE TO ALL POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCIES AS REQUIRED. BESIDES THE INVESTIGATIVE UNIT THE BUREAU IS COMPRISED OF SEVERAL SPECIALIZED COMPONENTS.

**CRIMINAL WARRANTS -** THE BCI UNIT ALONE HAS MORE THAN **514** ACTIVE WARRANTS, THE MAJORITY OF WHICH HAVE ORIGINATED IN CASES GENERATED BY OTHER AGENCIES.

In 2020 the total number of Criminal Warrants opened: were  ${\bf 132}$  & closed: was  ${\bf 126.}$ 

EXTRADITIONS- THE BCI UNIT IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE WARRANTS THAT NECESSITATE EXTRADITION FROMOTHER STATES ALL AROUND THE COUNTRY. DETECTIVES FROM THE BCI UNIT ARE SENT TO VARIOUS JURISDICTIONSWITHIN AND OUTSIDE OF NEW YORK STATE TO ARREST AND BRING THESE FUGITIVES FROM JUSTICE BACK TO THECOUNTY.2020 TOTALS-DRIVING11FLYING8TOTAL19

#### WARRANT WEDNESDAYS / MONTHLY TOP TEN

IN 2015 THE BCI UNIT INTRODUCED AND IMPLEMENTED THE ABOVE PROGRAMS. A WANTED SUBJECT IS SELECTED EACH WEDNESDAY AND THE DETAILS PUBLICIZED THROUGHOUT LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITIES AS WELL AS ON SOCIAL MEDIA. SIMILARLY, TEN WANTED SUBJECTS ARE CHOSEN EACH MONTH FOR PUBLICATION.

#### **CONTRABAND INTERDICTION AT COUNTY FACILITIES**

TARGETED MONITORING OF INMATE PHONE CALLS HAS LED TO THE INTERCEPTION OF HEROIN BEING SENT BY MAIL TO INMATES VIA THE US POSTAL SERVICE. TARGETS WERE IDENTIFIED AS PART OF A NARCOTICS CONSPIRACY AND BROUGHT TO JUSTICE. IN 2020 THERE WERE **15** CASES OF CONTRABAND INTERDICTION AT THE JAIL.







#### PROBATIONER SEX OFFENDER CHECKS (PROJECT HALLOWEEN)

DETECTIVES FROM BCI INVESTIGATIONS ASSIST COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS IN CONDUCTING RESIDENTIAL CHECKS OF REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS DURING PROJECT HALLOWEEN TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS OF THEIR PROBATION.

#### FAMILY COURT /IV D SUPPORT COLLECTION

THE BCI UNIT HANDLES ALL WARRANTS EITHER OFFENSE OR SUPPORT ISSUED OUT OF FAMILY COURT. THE OFFENSE WARRANTS MAY BE IN FORM OF CHILD NEGLECT OR A PARENT/GUARDIAN IN THE DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAM NOT ABIDING BY THE RULES SET FORTH BY THE COURT WHILE THE SUPPORT WARRANTS ISSUED ARE SPECIFIC TO MONIES OWED A PETITIONER FROM A RESPONDENT. THE BCI DETECTIVES WORK IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SUPPORT COLLECTION UNIT AND THE FAMILY COURT TO LOCATE AND ARREST THE RESPONDENTS.

<b>2020 T</b> OTALS	IVD WARRANTS OPENED	<b>18</b> OFFENSE WARRANTS OPENED		16
	IVD WARRANTS CLOSED	18	OFFENSE WARRANTS CLOSED	13

**POLYGRAPH** - THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE BCI UNIT HAS **2** CERTIFIED POLYGRAPH EXAMINERS AVAILABLE TO ASSIST ALL LOCAL POLICE AGENCIES AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WITH CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS BY ADMINISTERING POLYGRAPH EXAMINATIONS. THE UNIT IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR CONDUCTING POST CONVICTION SEX OFFENDER TESTING FOR THE COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT'S REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS. THE SEX OFFENDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT AS DIRECTED TO A POLYGRAPH



EXAMINATION TO DETERMINE IF THEY HAVE BEEN ABIDING BY THEIR SUPERVISION AND TREATMENT STIPULATIONS WHILE IN THE COMMUNITY.

APPLICANTS: 4 CRIMINAL: 4 SEX OFFENDERS 3 GRAND TOTAL: 11

#### OFFENDER WATCH (SEX OFFENDER MANAGEMENT & COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION TOOL)



THE OFFENDER WATCH PROGRAM IS MANAGED AND COORDINATED BY A BCI DETECTIVE FOR THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. OFFENDERWATCH MANAGES AND MONITORS THE WHEREABOUTS, AND COMPLIANCE STATUS OF THE REGISTERED OFFENDERS WITHIN OUR

County. OffenderWatch provides the most accurate and timely information available. It is updated instantaneously as offender addresses and other offender information is updated in our office. Citizens may search for a specific offender, or for any publishable sex offenders living near a specific address. Users may also confidentially register any address within the participating jurisdictions to receive email alerts each time a new sex offender moves near that specific address. The Rockland County Sheriff's Office maintains the Offender Watch portal as a community service, in cooperation and coordination with other participating police departments throughout Rockland County. In 2020 there were **20** offenders monitored/updated.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT**

The BCI unit has a support staff of one part time and four full time personnel, who process all the paperwork and data entry for the unit. They also process all requests for appointments, pistol permits and the applicant background requests. Additionally, the following requests were also handled:

Foils	SEALED ORDERS	BACKGROUND CHECKS	<b>PURCHASE ORDERS</b>
153	200 CHECKS – 253 SEALS	875	601

## **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES**



#### <u>RCPIN</u>

THE ROCKLAND COUNTY POLICE INFORMATION NETWORK IS USED TO ASSIST IN THE RECORDS MANAGEMENT AND INFORMATION SHARING ASSOCIATED WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT. THE RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM THAT IS OPERATIONAL CONTAINS INFORMATION ON THE PEOPLE, PLACES AND VEHICLES THAT ARE INVOLVED IN EACH OF FOLLOWING AREAS: INCIDENTS, CASES, ARRESTS, PROPERTY, WARRANTS, TICKETS AND ACCIDENTS. *CURRENT SHERIFF ASSIGNMENTS:* 

1 SERGEANT; 2 P/T P.O.S; 1 F/T INFORMATION SYSTEMS SPECIALIST; 1 F/T NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR

#### RECORD MANAGEMENT SYSTEM - SPILLMAN FLEX

In late 2017 the Division transitioned into Spillman's flagship software system, Flex, as part of an overall initiative by the Rockland County Sheriff's Office & other police agencies. This program offers public safety agencies across the country integrated, real-time data. As a comprehensive on-premises software system, Flex offers many

Spillman. technologies, inc.

ADVANTAGES TO PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES, WITH INDUSTRY-LEADING RECORDS MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE (RMS), COMPUTER-AIDED DISPATCH (CAD), AND JAIL MANAGEMENT (JMS), AS WELL AS ADVANCED SEARCHING, REPORTING, MAPPING, AND ANALYTICS CAPABILITIES. THIS PUBLIC SAFETY SOFTWARE PROVIDES AGENCIES WITH THE POWERFUL TOOLS NEEDED TO SERVE AND PROTECT THEIR COMMUNITIES. THIS PUBLIC SAFETY SOFTWARE IS PART OF A SHARED SYSTEM KNOWN AS THE ROCKLAND COUNTY POLICE INFORMATION NETWORK (RCPIN) WHICH CONNECTS ROCKLAND'S LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES & ALLOWS FOR THE SHARING OF TECHNOLOGY AND DATA. THE *STONY POINT, ORANGETOWN*, PIERMONT, *SOUTH NYACK-GRAND VIEW*, SPRING VALLEY, HAVERSTRAW AND SUFFERN POLICE DEPARTMENTS, AS WELL AS THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND INTEL UNIT ARE ALL SHARE INFORMATION USING SPILLMAN FLEX.

## **SHARED SERVICES**

#### REACT (Rescue Entry and Counter Terrorism Team)

THIS MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL TEAM CONSISTS OF HIGHLY TRAINED OFFICERS WITH SPECIFIC SKILLS IN THE AREAS OF MARKSMANSHIP, TACTICAL RESPONSE CONTAINMENT AND DEPLOYMENT OF CHEMICAL MUNITIONS, HOSTAGE NEGOTIATIONS, AND OTHER SPECIFIC SECURITY THREATS. THESE SKILLS WOULD ALSO INCLUDE THE ABILITY TO SET UP DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AROUND BUILDINGS, AREAS, AND EVENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERRING AND PREVENTING POSSIBLE TERRORIST ATTACKS. THE BOMB UNIT SUPPORTS THE **REACT** FUNCTION WITH THEIR EXPLOSIVE BREACHING PROGRAM.



**PERSONNEL SUMMARY:** (CURRENT SHERIFF ASSIGNMENTS)

**TOTAL: 1 LIEUTENANT** (COMMANDING OFFICER):

1 DETECTIVE, 2 SERGEANTS & 3 OFFICERS FROM ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

#### **OPERATIONAL SUMMARY**

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TOTAL OPERATIONS- TEAM HISTORY	
HIGH RISK WARRANTS:	7
BARRICADE SUBJECT/SEARCH:	2
RESCUE MISSIONS	0
VEHICLE TAKEDOWNS:	0
FUGITIVE SEARCHES:	0
COUNTER-TERROR:	3
TOTAL:	12

SUBJECTS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY:			10
TOTAL OPERATIONS- 2020			
HIGH RISK WARRANTS:	117		
BARRICADE SUBJECT/SEARCH:	36		
RESCUE MISSIONS	0		
VEHICLE TAKEDOWNS:	2		
FUGITIVE SEARCHES:	4		
COUNTER-TERROR:	11		
TOTAL:	170		



RC Drug Task FORCE - This task force is comprised of officers from various Police Departments in ROCKLAND COUNTY AS WELL AS OFFICERS REPRESENTING THE NY STATE POLICE. THIS TASK FORCE CONDUCTS UNDERCOVER NARCOTICS OPERATIONS WITH THE HELP OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS, SURVEILLANCE AND EAVESDROPPING TECHNIQUES.



**RC INTELLIGENCE UNIT -** THE INTELLIGENCE UNIT'S MISSION IS TO PROVIDE INTELLIGENCE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT, BASED UPON THE COLLECTION, EVALUATION, AND ANALYSIS OF INFORMATION THAT CAN IDENTIFY CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THE RCIC ARE PRIMARILY FOCUSED ON CRIMES RELATED TO BURGLARY, ROBBERY, TRADITIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME, STREET GANGS, AND IDENTITY CRIMES. CURRENT SHERIFF ASSIGNMENTS: 1 DETECTIVE LIEUTENANT: 5 PATROL OFFICERS (P/T): 1 CORRECTION OFFICER (GANG SPECIALIST, SPANISH SPEAKING) & 1 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT CIVILIAN **TOTAL CASES/REPORTS - 1495** 

COMPUTER CRIMES UNIT - IN JUNE 2000 THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S COMPUTER CRIME TASK FORCE WAS FORMED THROUGH THE PARTNERSHIP OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, TO COMBAT THE INCREASE OF



COMPUTER-RELATED CRIMES DUE TO THE INCREASED USE OF COMPUTERS FOR E-COMMERCE, E-MAIL AND ENTERTAINMENT. THE UNIT CARRIES OUT A FORENSIC ANALYSIS OF COMPUTER EVIDENCE SEIZED BY ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES WITHIN ROCKLAND COUNTY. ONLINE CHILD PORNOGRAPHY, PEDOPHILIA, BUSINESS FRAUD, PROPRIETARY INFORMATION THEFT, IDENTITY THEFT, CREDIT CARD FRAUD, COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT, COUNTERFEITING, REMARKING COMPUTER INTRUSION (HACKING) AND TERRORISM ARE ALL AREAS WHERE THE TASK FORCE HAS BEEN EFFECTIVE; THE UNIT ALSO CONDUCTS ADVANCED FORENSIC ANALYSIS OF CELL PHONES;

DECRYPTION OF LOCKED CELL PHONES, RELATING TO VARIOUS CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS, AND AUDIO/VIDEO ANALYSIS. IT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RECOVERY AND ENHANCEMENT OF AUDIO AND DIGITAL EVIDENCE. DIGITAL CCTV SYSTEMS. DATA RECOVERY, DVR HARD DRIVE IMAGING, DIGITAL VIDEO EVIDENCE RECOVERY, DIGITAL RECORDER HARD DRIVE RECOVERY, AND VIDEO PROCESSING TECHNIQUES. TOTAL # OF INCIDENTS: 163 OF WHICH WERE:

FORENSIC CELL EXAM	41	FORENSIC VIDEO EXAMS	67
FORENSIC COMPUTER EXAMS	21	FORENSIC OTHER EXAMS	18
OTHER INCIDENT TYPES:	16		



#### DEA

THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE HAS RECENTLY ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE US DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION (DEA) AND ASSIGNED A DETECTIVE TO THEIR OFFICE FOR JOINT **OPERATIONS. CURRENT SHERIFF ASSIGNMENT: 1 DETECTIVE** 

#### **HELP (HELICOPTER EMERGENCY LIFT PROGRAM)**

THE HELICOPTER EMERGENCY LIFT PROGRAM, INC. WAS STARTED AS PART OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY FIRE SERVICE MUTUAL AID PLAN IN 1969. **O**RGANIZED AS AN EMERGENCY SERVICE UNIT, **HELP** PROVIDES ITS SERVICES TO ROCKLAND COUNTY ONLY IN CONJUNCTION AND COOPERATION WITH THE OFFICE OF FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES. THE SHERIF'S OFFICE. AND OTHER EMERGENCY SERVICE AGENCIES WITHIN ROCKLAND. HELP RENDERS A WIDE RANGE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES, NAMELY, SEARCHING, RESCUING, AERIAL FIREFIGHTING, AERIAL AMBULANCE WORK, POLICE ASSISTANCE AND OTHER DISASTER AID. THE POLICE DIVISION PROVIDES TWO PILOTS TO THE PROGRAM. DETECTIVE SERGEANT KEN JOHNSTON OF THE POLICE DIVISION IS CURRENTLY THE CHIEF PILOT FOR THE PROGRAM AND PERSONALLY FLIES APPROXIMATELY 50 MISSIONS PER YEAR. DEPUTY ED WEIRETER IS THE OTHER PILOT.



#### **DRONES**

IN OUR CONTINUING EFFORT TO INCREASE OUR EFFECTIVENESS IN PUBLIC SAFETY, WE HAVE PURCHASED 2 DRONES. THEY ARE EQUIPPED WITH OPTICAL, ZOOM AND A THERMAL CAMERA.

DRONES (UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES) ARE PROVIDING LAW ENFORCEMENT WITH THE TOOLS NECESSARY TO RESPOND APPROPRIATELY TO EMERGENCY SITUATIONS WHEN SITUATIONAL AWARENESS IS KEY.

THE BIGGEST ADVANTAGE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT IS THE ABILITY TO GO WHERE POLICE OFFICERS AND THEIR VEHICLES CAN PHYSICALLY AND SAFELY GET TO. DRONES HAVE FUNDAMENTALLY CHANGED HOW POLICE AGENCIES RESPOND TO A WIDE RANGE OF INCIDENTS AND HELP KEEP THE PUBLIC SAFE. SUCH AS:

- SURVEYING DAMAGE AFTER A NATURAL DISASTER
- AID IN FINDING MISSING PERSONS IN SEARCH & RESCUE OPS
- CRIME & FIRE SCENE MAPPING

- SURVEILLANCE AND CROWD MONITORING
- REACT TEAM USAGE
- BOMB & HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

IN ADDITION TO MANY OF OUR OTHER PIECES OF EQUIPMENT. THE ADDITION OF THE DRONE HAS BECOME AN ESSENTIAL "INVESTIGATIVE" TOOL IN THE FUTURE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT.

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & COUNTER TERRORISM**

#### **MUTUAL LINK**

In 2020 the Sheriff's Office continued to work closely with the Mutualink program and expanded our coverage with addition of two Interoperable Works Stations (IWS) in the county Emergency Operation Center. A multi-state Mutualink exercise was also successfully held. Additionally, testing was begun to incorporate aerial drone video into the Mutualink system.

#### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Sheriff's Emergency Management personnel took part in planning and executing numerous "Active Shooter" tabletop exercises with area hospitals and assisted in training police personnel in Incident Command System (ICS) training at the Police Academy.

#### STC (SECURE THE CITIES)

STC funding was used purchase a Stand Off Radiation Detector for the Marine Unit. This detector, which is critical our Counter-Terrorism efforts cost in excess of \$200,000.00 and was fully funded by the STC program. STC funds were also used to cover the costs of training 50 officers county-wide in the use of Personal Radiation Detectors (PRD) and Backpack Radiation Detectors (Packeye). All participating agencies in the training are fully reimbursed for salary and overtime costs associated with the training.

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Sheriff's Office again participated in a statewide "Red Team" exercise conducted in the three-county CTZ 4. Members again covertly tested business awareness and suspicious incident report ability. The Counter Terrorism Unit also conducted numerous "Operation Safeguard" visits throughout the county to educate businesses in suspicious incident reporting and the "See Something, Say Something" program.

#### ATAG (ANTI-TERRORISM ANALYTICAL GROUP)

The ATAG group consists of the Sheriff, an Undersheriff and the Emergency Management and Counter Terrorism Sergeant from the Sheriff's Office, former Chiefs of Police in Rockland County, four former Special Agents of The Federal Bureau of Investigation, a retired General, a former member of Military Intelligence, a person familiar with school safety and health issues, a retired military commander familiar with security issues, and a veteran Israeli Army Anti-Terrorism Specialist. They act as a "Think Tank" in order to generate ideas and concepts and to assist in reaching conclusions as to the necessity and feasibility for Intelligence and Security procedures. This group has been very helpful in gearing this County in the right direction. The ATAG group is a component of New York State's Counter-terrorism Zone 4, which is a partnership between Rockland, Orange and Sullivan Counties.

#### **OPERATION SAFEGUARD**

A joint operation with the New York State Police, ATAG and Intel which entails visiting Jewish Houses of Worship and present materials on suspicious activity reporting. In addition to the Red Team exercises the Sheriff's Office has also conducted over 120 Operation Safeguard outreach visits to houses of worship of all denominations in the towns of Ramapo, Haverstraw, and Stony Point as part of an ongoing statewide counter-terrorism effort. Members of the Sheriff's ATAG also assisted in the Operation Safeguard visits.

## **PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS**

IN 2019 THE DIVISION WAS RE-ACCREDITED FOR ANOTHER 5 YEARS

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS REFLECT THE EXPECTATIONS THAT THE POLICE SERVICE AND THE PUBLIC HAVE OF HOW POLICE OFFICERS SHOULD CONDUCT THEMSELVES. IT IS NOT INTENDED TO DESCRIBE EVERY SITUATION BUT RATHER TO SET A FRAMEWORK WHICH EVERYONE CAN EASILY UNDERSTAND. PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN THE POLICE DEPENDS ON POLICE OFFICERS DEMONSTRATING THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF TRAINING, PERSONAL AND ETHICAL STANDARDS.

LISTED BELOW IS THE TRAINING THAT OUR OFFICERS ATTEND TO ENHANCE THEIR PROFESSIONALISM, LAW ENFORCEMENT CAPABILITIES AND SPECIALIZED SKILLS.

#### FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY

THE FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY IS A PROFESSIONAL COURSE OF STUDY FOR ACTIVE U.S PERSONNEL AND ALSO FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT MANAGERS NOMINATED BY THEIR AGENCY HEADS BECAUSE OF DEMONSTRATED LEADERSHIP QUALITIES. THE PROGRAM ENHANCES CREDENTIALS IN THE FIELD OF LAW ENFORCEMENT. THE PROGRAM ALSO SEEKS TO RAISE LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS, KNOWLEDGE, AND ALSO COOPERATION WORLDWIDE. THE FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY IS HELD 4 TIMES A YEAR, WHEN UP TO 250 CANDIDATES GO THROUGH A 10-WEEK COURSE. WHILE AT THE FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY DURING THE 10 WEEK COURSE THERE ARE MANY DIFFERENT CLASSES INCLUDING; LAW, BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE, FORENSIC SCIENCE, THE TERRORIST MINDSET, COMMUNICATION, HEALTH AND FITNESS, AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT. AT THE END OF THE 10 WEEK COURSE THERE IS A FINAL PHYSICAL EXAM CALLED THE "YELLOW BRICK ROAD" WHICH IS 6.1 MILES IN LENGTH AND HAS MANY DIFFERENT OBSTACLES ALONG THE WAY. THE NATIONAL ACADEMY IS LOCATED AT THE FBI ACADEMY ON MARINE CORPS BASE QUANTICO, VIRGINIA.

## FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY GRADUATES

<b>RETIRED OFFICERS</b>			ACTIVE OFFICERS					
DET. LT. GARY TORTORELLO	188	1997	SHERIFF LOUIS FALCO III	194	1998			
DET. SGT. PATRICK COONEY	196	1999	CHIEF WILLIAM BARBERA	227	2006			
CAPT. JOHN SCHNITKER	224	2006	CAPT. ANTOINE DECOLYSE	242	2010			
LT. ANTHONY COSTA	219	2004	Lt. Theodore Brovarski	273	2019			
LT. GARY BOWERS	230	2007						
SR. DET. HENRY BENDER	200	2000						

## RETIREES

DET. MICHAEL BAUER SR. DET. HENRY BENDER DET. MELISSA JOHNSTON DET. JOHN SQUILLINI DET. MILSON JENKINS DET. PIERCE REDMOND DET. JAMES DAVIS LT. JOHN MURPHY PO ERICA DEFILIPPO

## **New Hires**

PO Stephan Kobyleckyj PO Dellauno Thomas PO Ryan Blair PO Kristopher Antonacci PO Jake Sisco PO Matthew Barlow PO Tyler Kennedy PO John Leonard PO Matthew Donovan PO Patrick Gallagher





## **TRAINING COURSES**

in s	Service and Firearms is mandated for all Officers of the Division	37	Crime Scene Investigation / Evidence Specialist	79	Leading by Legacy	
1	In-Service – Day 1	38	Criminal and Drug Interdiction Roads	80	Lost Person Behavior & Basic Wildland Search Skills	
2	In-Service – Day 2	39	Criminal Intelligence Analysis Essentials	81	Marine Law Enforcement Training	
3	In-Service – Day 3	40	Crisis Negotiation Course (Basic)	82	Marine Patrol Vessel Operator's Course	
4	In-Service – Day 4	41	Crisis Negotiations Team	83	Marine Unit Law Enforcement Training	
5	In-Service – Supplemental Training	42	CTZ-Zone 4 Red Team Exercise	84	Marine Vessel Familiarization – New Boat	
6	Supervisor's In-Service	43	Defensive Driving Training	85	Mid-Atlantic Law Enforcement Exec	
7	Range – Patrol/Det's	44	Defensive Tactics In-Service	86	Mid-Hudson DWI Conference	
8	Range – Transports	45	Defensive Tactics Instructor Course	87	Missing Persons Toolbox Training	
	<b>DDITIONALLY</b> , OFFICERS ALSO ATTENDED COURSES/SEMINARS/SYMPOSIUMS LISTED	46	Defensive Tactics Instructor in- Service	88	NYS DCJS Sniper	
BELC	W TO ENHANCE THEIR PROFESSIONAL SKILLS	47	DRE Recertification Training	89	NYS Fire Investigation Level 2	
	AND CAPABILITIES:	48	DRE Tablet	90	NYS SABIS Site Managers Meeting	
9	2017 VCS User Conference	49	DWI – Seated Battery of S.F.S.T.	91	NYTOA Conference	
10	Accelerant K-9 Train – Annual Recert.	50	DWI Conf – Annual Fall Symposium	92	Polygraph Training Conference - Annual	
11	Accreditation Program Manager Training	51	DWI Documentation & Testimony Training	93	Prevention, Response, Recovery – Campus Emergencies	
12	Active Shooter	52	EEO Equal Employment Opportunity Training	94	Property Evidence Room Management	
13	Advanced Cold Case Long Term Missing Investigation.	53	Electronic Countermeasure Operator Course	95	PRSBI – SWAT	
14	Advanced IED Elect. & Render Seminar	54	Emergency Resp. Hazardous Materials	96	Public Information Officer Training Course	
15	Advanced Interview & Interrogation	55	Enhancing L.E. Response to Gender Based	97	Radar – Lidar	
17	All-Terrain Vehicle Basic Operator Course	56	Excelsior Challenge – Explosive K9 Training	98	REACT	
18	Animal Cruelty Investigations	57	Explosive Detection K-9 In-Service	99	REACT – Training Support Personnel	
19	AR-15 Carbine Operator	58	Explosive K-9 In-Service	100	Reality Based Training (RBT) Instructor	
20	Arresting Com.: Adv. Interaction skills	59	FBI Basic Digital Photography	101	Reality Based Training Instructor	
21	Arson Seminar & Arson Investigation	60	FBI Crime Scene Photography	102	Remington 870 Shotgun Armorer Cours	
22	ASP Baton	61	FBI National Improvised Explosive F	103	RIID – 2	
23	ATF Fire Debris Seminar	62	FBI Post Blast Investigator Certification	104	Secondary Screener/Radiation Isotope	
24	Basic Investigative Photography	63	Fire Investigative Photography	105	Signs of Substance Abuse	
25	Below 100	64	Fire Scene Evidence Collection	106	Site Protection through Observational	
26	Bloodhound K-9 Certification Training	65	Firearms Instructor Training	107	Sniper Skills	
28	CED – (Taser)	66	Fugitive Investigations	108	Stabilization Training/FBI – Bomb Unit	
29	Cell Block Survival	67	Glock Armorer Course	109	STOP – DWI NY Regional Training	
30	Cell Phone and Social Media	68	Hazardous Devices Re-Certification	110	Street Survival – Police Academy	
31	Child Passenger Safety Recert.	69	ICS 300 Interm. ICS for Expanding Incidents	111	Street Survival – R.C. Sheriff	
32	Civilian Response to Active Shooter (CRASE)	70	Indicators of Terrorist Attack Cycle - Advanced	112	Supervisor's School – Course in Police	
33	CPR – Transports	71	Intellectual Property Crimes	113	T.R.A.U.M.A.	
34	CPR/First Aid Instructor Recert- ification	72	Interview and Interrogation	114	Tabletop Exercise – Rapid Response	
35	CPS – Child Passenger Safety Seat Technician	73	K9 – Bloodhound Training	115	Tactics in Traffic	
36	CPS Recertification – Child Passenger	77	Latent Print Processing – Level 1	116	Terrorism Incidents: Defensive Operations For Emergency Responders	
		78	Law Enforcement Supervisor Conference	117	The Second Front – PTSD in LE	



CHIEF HARRY A. STEWART.

RETIRED CHIEF STEWART WAS BORN MAY 14, 1943 AND JOINED THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ON APRIL 1, 1966. HE ACCEPTED AN APPOINTMENT TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN THE SPRING OF THAT YEAR AND WAS ONE OF THE ORIGINAL TEN OFFICERS ALONG WITH SHERIFF KRALIK, TO STAFF THE SHERIFF'S PATROL FORCE. A VETERAN AND A FORMER US MARINE, HE DEDICATED THE MAJOR PART OF HIS ADULT LIFE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY. DURING HIS CAREER HE HAD WORKED WITH THREE DIFFERENT SHERIFFS AND WAS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE DIVISION'S GROWTH. THIS LONG CAREER CULMINATED IN HIS APPOINTMENT AS CHIEF OF THE DIVISION, ON JANUARY 1, 1992. HE SUCCEEDED SHERIFF KRALIK IN THE POSITION OF CHIEF OF PATROL WHICH HE HELD TILL HIS RETIREMENT ON DECEMBER 6, 2008.

UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP THE POLICE DIVISION EARNED ACCREDITATION, INITIALLY FROM THE NYS SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION AND SUBSEQUENTLY FROM DCJS ON MARCH 6, 2008. THIS ACHIEVEMENT WAS A FITTING PRELUDE TO HIS RETIREMENT AFTER 43 YEARS ON SERVICE. CHIEF STEWART WAS ALSO A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL COMMITTEE AND PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN ORGANIZING AN ANNUAL CEREMONY TO HONOR FALLEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS. THE MONUMENT IN FRONT OF THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE WILL ALWAYS REMAIN A SILENT, IF SOMBER, TRIBUTE TO HIS UNTIRING EFFORTS.

CHIEF STEWART PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY AT NYACK HOSPITAL, AFTER A BRIEF ILLNESS ON JAN 18, 2021. AS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE SHERIFF'S PATROL, HE PUT HIS INDELIBLE STAMP ON IT AND WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED WITH FONDNESS AND RESPECT.