



CHASKA
POLICE
DEPARTMENT

2013

YEAR END
REPORT

Executive Summary

We are happy to offer to you for your information our “2013 Year End Report”, which articulates “calls for service” and police officer generated activity, during the course of the year. You will notice that roughly 33% the “calls for service” received from the community relate to quality of life issues – e.g., animal complaints, persons locked out of home or car, parking complaints, noise complaints, civil matters, extra patrol requests, public assists, etc. – rather than what maybe be perceived as stereotypical “crime” occurrences. There is no new trend here for CPD, as we have always placed importance on offering service that enhances community quality of life.

In addition, we have highlighted notable investigations, many department/city statistics relating to public safety, “fun facts”, officer training recap, community partnership initiatives and more.

It is our hope that you find this of interest...

Scott M. Knight
Chief of Police

CHASKA POLICE DEPARTMENT 2013 END OF YEAR REPORT

CALLS FOR SERVICE

- There were 12,490 calls for service in 2013.

TYPES OF CALLS

It should be noted that the following statistics are based off of report headings within the Chaska Police Department's records management system. Typically if a call for service includes multiple infractions or could encompass more than one report heading, the responding officer will choose the most appropriate heading depending on that particular call. For example, if an officer responds to call for a 911-hang up, and an assault has occurred, the report heading would be listed as, "Assault" as opposed to, "911 hang-up/Open Line." Therefore, the statistics listed are only an approximation.

- 911 Hang-up/Open Line **66**
- Abandoned vehicle **23**
- Accidents **457**
 - Property damage only 380
 - Personal Injury 41
 - Fatality involved 1
 - Hit and Run 59
- Adult Welfare **121**
- Alarm **409**
 - Unspecified 14
 - Cancelled Prior to Arrival 76
 - False Alarm 336
- Alcohol Violations **24**

• <u>Animal Complaints</u>	<u>333</u>
▪ <u>Dog at large</u>	<u>131</u>
▪ <u>Barking Dog</u>	<u>59</u>
▪ <u>Animal Left in Vehicle</u>	<u>35</u>
▪ <u>Animal Bite</u>	<u>27</u>
▪ <u>Sick/Injured for disposal</u>	<u>15</u>
▪ <u>Other</u>	<u>88</u>
• <u>Arson</u>	<u>0</u>
• <u>Assault</u>	<u>72</u>
▪ <u>Domestic Assaults</u>	<u>38</u>
▪ <u>Known Assailant</u>	<u>35</u>
▪ <u>Random Victim</u>	<u>1</u>
• <u>Assists to other agencies</u>	<u>237</u>
▪ <u>CCSO</u>	<u>136</u>
▪ <u>Minnesota State Patrol</u>	<u>7</u>
▪ <u>Other</u>	<u>102</u>
• <u>Bullying</u>	<u>5</u>
• <u>Burglary</u>	<u>34</u>
▪ <u>Residential</u>	<u>28</u>
▪ <u>Business</u>	<u>7</u>
• <u>Child Welfare Concerns</u>	<u>209</u>
• <u>Civil Matters/Disputes</u>	<u>242</u>
▪ <u>Child Custody Dispute</u>	<u>65</u>
▪ <u>Property Dispute</u>	<u>166</u>
▪ <u>Landlord/Tenant Issues</u>	<u>31</u>

• <u>Counterfeiting</u>	<u>6</u>
• <u>Criminal Damage to Property</u>	<u>77</u>
• <u>Criminal Sexual Conduct</u>	<u>31</u>
• <u>Death Investigation</u>	<u>13</u>
▪ <u>Suicide</u>	<u>1</u>
▪ <u>Homicide</u>	<u>0</u>
▪ <u>Natural Causes</u>	<u>6</u>
▪ <u>Undetermined</u>	<u>0</u>
▪ <u>Accidental</u>	<u>5</u>
○ <u>Drug Overdose</u>	<u>2</u>
○ <u>Alcohol Overdose</u>	<u>1</u>
○ <u>Injury from fall</u>	<u>1</u>
○ <u>Auto Accident</u>	<u>1</u>
• <u>Detox</u>	<u>1</u>
• <u>Disorderly Conduct</u>	<u>24</u>
• <u>Dispute</u>	<u>41</u>
• <u>Disturbance</u>	<u>124</u>
• <u>Domestic Dispute- Verbal Only</u>	<u>134</u>
• <u>Drug Information Report</u>	<u>29</u>
• <u>Drug Related Offenses</u>	<u>80</u>
▪ <u>Marijuana</u>	<u>46</u>
▪ <u>Heroin</u>	<u>3</u>
▪ <u>Methamphetamine</u>	<u>11</u>
▪ <u>Prescription Drugs</u>	<u>5</u>
▪ <u>Other</u>	<u>15</u>
• <u>DWI</u>	<u>81</u>

• <u>Extra Patrol Requests</u>	<u>70</u>
• <u>Firearm Discharge</u>	<u>3</u>
▪ <u>Accidental with injury</u>	<u>3</u>
• <u>Fires</u>	<u>97</u>
▪ <u>Fire Alarm</u>	<u>28</u>
▪ <u>Structure Fire</u>	<u>21</u>
▪ <u>Vehicle Fire</u>	<u>8</u>
▪ <u>Cut Gas Line</u>	<u>11</u>
▪ <u>Other</u>	<u>36</u>
• <u>Fireworks Complaints</u>	<u>26</u>
• <u>Fleeing Police</u>	<u>1</u>
• <u>Forgery</u>	<u>7</u>
• <u>Fraud Complaint</u>	<u>104</u>
• <u>Funeral Traffic Assist</u>	<u>7</u>
• <u>Gang Information Report</u>	<u>6</u>
• <u>Graffiti- Gang related</u>	<u>0</u>
• <u>Graffiti</u>	<u>1</u>
• <u>Harassment/Threats Complaints</u>	<u>123</u>
▪ <u>Via Text Message/phone</u>	<u>49</u>
▪ <u>Via social media</u>	<u>13</u>
▪ <u>In person</u>	<u>30</u>
▪ <u>Other</u>	<u>31</u>
• <u>Information reports</u>	<u>28</u>
• <u>Juvenile Complaints</u>	<u>133</u>

• <u>Juvenile Offenses</u>	<u>19</u>
• <u>Juvenile Runaways</u>	<u>25</u>
• <u>Kidnapping</u>	<u>0</u>
• <u>Littering</u>	<u>14</u>
• <u>Lockout (Vehicle or home)</u>	<u>315</u>
• <u>Lost and Found</u>	<u>131</u>
• <u>Medical</u>	<u>710</u>
• <u>Missing Person</u>	<u>38</u>
• <u>Motorist Assist</u>	<u>341</u>
• <u>Noise Complaint</u>	<u>153</u>
• <u>Obscenity</u>	<u>4</u>
• <u>Obstruction</u>	<u>3</u>
• <u>OFP/DANCO/Violations</u>	<u>25</u>
• <u>Open Door</u>	<u>47</u>
• <u>Ordinance Violations</u>	<u>88</u>
• <u>Parking Complaints</u>	<u>195</u>
• <u>Predatory Offender Violations</u>	<u>6</u>
• <u>Public Assists</u>	<u>690</u>
• <u>Ride-Alongs</u>	<u>23</u>
• <u>Road Debris</u>	<u>15</u>
• <u>Robbery</u>	<u>0</u>
• <u>Snowmobile Complaint</u>	<u>0</u>
• <u>Suicide Attempt/Threat</u>	<u>86</u>

• <u>Suspicious Activity/Person/Vehicle</u>	<u>715</u>
• <u>Tamper With Vehicle</u>	<u>4</u>
• <u>Theft</u>	<u>312</u>
• <u>Tobacco Violations-Juvenile</u>	<u>21</u>
• <u>Traffic- Driving Complaint</u>	<u>314</u>
• <u>Trespassing</u>	<u>38</u>
• <u>Warrant Arrests</u>	<u>132</u>
• <u>Warrant Attempts Without Success</u>	<u>111</u>
• <u>Weapons Violations</u>	<u>3</u>
• <u>Welfare Checks</u>	<u>71</u>

2013 PERSONNEL CHANGES

- On January 30th, Officer Lee McClure accepted a position with the Minnesota State Patrol, bringing to close a six-year career with the Chaska Police Department. Lee's choice to join the MSP was greatly influenced by his wife's career as a medical doctor, which requires the flexibility to move throughout the state of Minnesota.
- On February 4th, Community Service Officer (CSO) Joe Kavlie was promoted to the rank of police officer. Joe began working as a CSO with the Chaska Police Department in September of 2012.
- On April 5th, Officer Tony Kjorstad was promoted to the rank of sergeant. Tony has been employed with the Chaska Police Department since May of 2004.
- On May 1st, Officer Chris George was promoted to the rank of sergeant. Chris has been employed with the Chaska Police Department since May of 2005.
- On May 1st, Community Service Officer (CSO) Martin Godinez was promoted to the rank of police officer. Martin began working as a CSO with the Chaska Police Department in January of 2013.
- On May 17th, Captain Jon Kehrberg retired from the Chaska Police Department after a 25-year career. Over the course of his career, Kehrberg served as a patrol officer, patrol sergeant, DARE officer, detective, investigations commander, and captain. Kehrberg has started a second career as a realtor with Edina Realty.
- On August 15th, Kyle Hance was hired as a part-time Community Service Officer. Kyle is currently enrolled in college seeking a degree in criminal justice.
- Former Chaska Police Explorer Jackson McLaughlin served as a Part time Community Service Officer from May to August of 2013. McLaughlin is attending the University of North Dakota and is preparing for a career in the criminal justice field.
- Former Chaska Police Explorer Katie Vannett served as a CPD intern between June and August of 2013. Vannett is currently enrolled in college courses and is preparing for a career in criminal justice.

CHASKA POLICE DEPARTMENT

2013 BY THE NUMBERS

- Chaska Police Officers drove approximately 250,500 miles during patrol and investigation duties.
- Between July 2012 and July 2013, CPD employees received approximately 580 hours of training.
- CPD employees worked over 50,000 hours.
- A total of 172 formal complaints were requested by the Chaska Police Department. The Carver County Attorney's Office declined to prosecute only two of those cases.
- A total of 28 juvenile petitions were requested by the Chaska Police Department. The Carver County Attorney's Office declined to prosecute only one of those cases.
- Eleven vehicles were seized by the Chaska Police Department for forfeiture. Two of the vehicles were ultimately released to their owners. The other vehicles have been forfeited or are awaiting forfeiture after court proceedings.
- A total of 853 people were arrested.
- A total of 1,962 citations were issued.
- A total of 1,789 verbal warnings were issued.
- A total of 251 written warnings were issued.
- A total of 71 equipment repair warnings (fix-it-tickets) were issued.
- A total of 307 people received permits to purchase handguns.

CALLS FOR SERVICE BY MONTH

- January 942
- February 833 (Fewest calls)
- March 1,061
- April 1,032
- May 1,155
- June 1,074
- July 1,108
- August 1,163 (Most calls)
- September 1,091
- October 1,057
- November 886
- December 1,058

CALLS FOR SERVICE BY DAY OF THE WEEK

- Sunday 1,419 (Fewest calls)
- Monday 1,787
- Tuesday 1,945
- Wednesday 1,856
- Thursday 1,886
- Friday 2,015 (Most calls)
- Saturday 1,552

CHASKA POLICE EXPLORER POST 421

The Chaska Police Explorer Post consists of young males and females between 14 to 21 years-of-age. The explorers engage in training scenarios, participate in patrol assists (ride-alongs), volunteer at city events, receive specialized training, and compete at competitions throughout the year. Many of the explorers have aspirations of a career in law enforcement; however, interest in a law enforcement career is not a requirement for participation.

VOLUNTEERING

CPD Explorers provided a police presence, helped citizens, directed traffic, assisted officers, promoted safety, and engaged in fund-raising activities at the following events in 2013:

- Memorial Day Parade
- Taste of Chaska
- River City Days Triathlon
- River City Days event security in City Square Park
- Safety Camp
- 4th of July fireworks display
- National Night Out
- Carver County Fair

COMPETITIONS/EVENTS

During events and competitions, explorers are tested on their knowledge and proficiency by responding to simulated real-life scenarios that police officers often face. Topics for scenarios include domestic crisis intervention, burglary in progress, crime scene investigation, bomb threat, first aid, traffic crash investigation, traffic stop, white-collar crime, hostage negotiation, and crime prevention. CPD explorers and advisors attended the following events in 2013:

- April 2013- Spring conference at SCALE facility in Jordan, MN
- April 2013- State Explorer Conference in Rochester, MN
- October 2013- Voyageurs area conference in Duluth, MN

TESTIMONIAL FROM A CHASKA POLICE EXPLORER

My name is Hunter Panning, and I am just shy of approaching my four year mark as a Chaska Police Explorer, and am currently the Captain of the Explorer Post. I am a senior at Chaska High School. As a captain, I have many duties. Being the leader of the group, the other explorers expect to learn from me. They expect me to teach them the “tricks of the trade.” The Explorer post competes twice a year at conferences along with other explorer posts from across the state. These competitions are designed to be as realistic as possible. Explorers are dispatched to a call, or ‘scenario’, and we are expected to perform simulated police duties, and to handle a situation as a police officer would. At the end of the competition, whichever explorer post completes the scenario the best, without many mistakes, will receive an award. Many police explorers will go on to pursue a career in law enforcement. Experience as an explorer will prepare one for what the profession might hold.

Along with training, the explorer post participates in many other things. We volunteer countless hours for community events like River City Days, Fourth of July celebration, and National Night Out, and provide assistance to with the annual CPD Citizens Academy. And, my personal favorite, we participate in patrol assists. On these patrol assists, we are assigned an officer for their shift. During this time, explorers shadow officers on certain calls, and learn how police officers function on a routine day. On some calls, explorers can provide assistance, such as traffic control, medical help, or radio communications. While on these patrol assists, the officers are willing to talk about questions you may have, or provide step-by-step instructions on how we could go about performing a certain duty. The patrol assists that I have done have given me knowledge that I can use in my future law enforcement career.

In addition to being an explorer, the police department has been a positive influence on me. To be a part of the Chaska Police Department is something that not many people get the honor and privilege to do. To this day, the Chaska Police Department has been one of the biggest inspirations in my life: teaching me and guiding me to be the person I am today. As I continue my membership in the explorer post, I believe that the police department will continue to help me grow as an individual and provide me with incredible guidance to help me consider what my future may hold. As a family, the volunteers, police officers, administration, and office staff will continue to “Serve. Protect.” the City of Chaska.

TESTIMONIAL FROM CHASKA POLICE DEPARTMENT CHAPLAINS

On March 13, 2012, The Chaska Police Department floated the idea of starting a chaplaincy squad within the Chaska Police Department to a group of about 18 clergy, who serve Eastern Carver County churches, associated with the ecumenical ministry "Love In the Name of Christ". Pastor Greg Snow of St. John's Lutheran, Pastor Mike Sindelar of Valley Evangelical Free Church, Pastor Scott Crook of Cross of Grace and Pastor Mike Eder of Chaska Moravian Church began their training in April, and were in service to the department by summer's end.

2013 was our first full year of service to the department. Two of our ranks were able to attend a two-day training in Iowa on "The Traumas of Law Enforcement." We continued to do ride-alongs, and have been called to a gradually increasing number of incidents as we work to find our place within the department. On June 10, we were invited to attend a joint training activity based on an "active shooter" scenario at Clover ridge Elementary, and in July, we assisted with CPD activities during River City Days. We have increased our attendance at regular department meetings and training exercises, and during the summer of 2013, we each received official department badges presented by Chief Knight during Sunday worship services in front of our respective congregations. We continue to work to improve and increase our value to the department and the community, and remain unanimously grateful for this ministry that has been entrusted to us.

In Service,

Chaplain Mike Eder #552

Chaplain Mike Sindelar #553

Chaplain Scott Crook #554

Chaplain Greg Snow #551

2013 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Officer Julie Janke serves as the police department's Community Partnership Specialist. Here are a few of the CPS accomplishments in 2013:

- Senior Focus Group; Worked with Detective Tracy Perlich and a group of citizens, property managers, Carver County Public Health and others. We met monthly and worked on issues/concerns involving senior citizens.
- Citizen's Academy is a seven-session program, in which people learn about police work in Chaska by experiencing police work. Lectures and actual hands-on experiences are combined for a unique insight into the police department. Eighteen people participated in the academy in 2013.
- Held Cub Scout and Girl Scout tours of the department to meet officers and see a squad car. There were seven tours scheduled in 2013.
- Monthly meetings were held with property managers to give updates regarding Crime Free Multi Housing and events in the city.
- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members served in many capacities. The CERT members donated 482 hours this year and the estimated value of a volunteer hour in 2012 was \$22.14 which would be over \$10,000.00. They worked at River City Days, Taste of Chaska, The Triathlon, and many other city events.
- Numerous Neighborhood Watch meetings were held and three new NW groups were formed: One in Hazeltine Shores, one in The Bluff's, and one combining the Trumble and Wenz neighborhoods.
- Held monthly meetings at senior citizen properties in the city: Auburn Manor, Talheim, River Gables, Waybury and at the Lodge at the Chaska Community Center. Presented updates on fraud scams and other crimes that target senior citizens.
- Safety Camp on July 18th and 19th. Almost 120 youth attended this two-day camp that had twelve safety topics, a helicopter arrival, and more via a grant obtained by CPD. Kids are taught life lessons that are practical and keep them safe.
- Held our 2nd Annual Department Picnic for officers, CERT members, Explorers, Chaplains and their families where over 100 people attended.

- Car Seat Clinic in Riverview Terrace. Parents and youth were educated about car seat safety and car seats were provided if needed. In addition, many families were served by individual appointments at the police department.
- Chaska's National Night Out Night to Unite was held on Tuesday, August 6th. Forty neighborhoods participated in this event where neighbors meet neighbors. Visits were made by the police department, fire department and Target.
- Provided car seat training for Carver County Social Services to enable them to provide safe transport for children when needed in their job.
- Provided car seat education for youth at the East Creek Family Center for teens who have/or are expecting children. Car seats were provided if needed.
- Partnered with Carver County Sheriff's Office with the TRIAD program. The program began as a partnership between the AARP, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, and the National Sheriff's Association. The goal of the program is to reduce victimization of senior citizens and their fear of crime.
- Provided 911 emergency cell phones to seniors and others in need.
- Provided "File of Life" magnetic holders and medical cards to seniors.
- Participated in the FSI International Wellness Fair on November 21st and provided car seat information and training.
- Held three CarFit Clinics at the Chaska Fire Department. CarFit does not evaluate a person's ability to drive. It is an educational program that offers older adults the opportunity to check how well their personal vehicles "fit" them. At a CarFit event, participants will be spend approximately 20 minutes with a CarFit Technician who will go over a check list of items that look at the "fit" of their vehicle and providing information about how their vehicle could be adjusted to improve the effectiveness of the vehicles safety features, eliminate headlight glare and blind spots. We served over thirty senior citizens at these events.
- Presentation at a mom's group on internet safety for K-12 students.
- Participated in the Carver County Community Baby Shower held on April 27th at the CCC. Provided information on car seat installation and safety.
- Installed 76 car seats as of December 15th. Provided 26 car seats to parents in need of a car seat.

- CPD booths were at River City Days, Taste of Chaska and at the Carver County Fair. Materials on safety were given out, bike helmets were sold and car seat safety questions were answered.
- Bike Helmets- 190 bike helmets were sold this year for \$10 that retailed for \$22.95.
- Participated in the Emancipation Proclamation 150th anniversary, by providing a key note speaker, coffee and cookies.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

The following is a testimonial from Chaska CERT Commander Mark Jones. Commander Jones has been involved with Chaska CERT since its inception and was named commander in 2012.

A few of my thoughts about Chaska's CERT (Community Emergency Response Team)... it is said there are two good times to plant a tree, the first is twenty years ago, the second best time is today. The same is true for preparing for a major disaster.

Being involved on the Chaska CERT team has given the team an opportunity to train for a future event while working with and supporting members of the community today. History has shown that the better people are prepared, the better the outcome in a situation.

Chaska CERT is prepared to:

Give first-aid; direct traffic away from an incident; perform triage to maximize services; give aid at our employer or in our neighborhood; search and rescue; perform supporting roles to allow the professionals to be most effective; and to be additional hands under the direction of first responders.

CERT members are trained to give critical support to their family, loved ones, neighbors or associates in their immediate area until help arrives. When help does arrive, CERTs provide useful information to responders and support their efforts, as directed, at the disaster site. CERT members can also assist with non-emergency projects that improve the safety of the community.

Some of the examples of CERT in action that I personally have been involved include:

- While delivering City Council packets a vehicle became disabled on Pioneer Trail and Hwy 41, CERT responded under the direction of CPD and directed traffic away from the vehicle for the 30 minutes awaiting the tow truck. CERT kept the scene safe while freeing up officers to more pressing calls.
- CERT came upon an accident while performing other duties and assisted injured motorists, directed traffic away and under the direction of CPD drove a family member of the victim to their vehicle so they could meet the injured at the hospital.
- CERT while out, monitored weather as part of their Skywarn training, identified barricades blown into and obstructing traffic and moved the barricades to safe locations.

- Assisted with traffic control during the Chaska Triathlon.
- Walked the city square for Taste of Chaska and during River City Days, which lead to the CERT team finding and assisting a lost child.
- Alerting people near Pioneer Ridge during the “Active Shooter” incident training.
- Animal Rescue, and so much more.

Being a volunteer in Chaska is an opportunity to give back to the community, we hope the big one never comes but, if and when, we are better prepared through CERT.

Thank you for supporting volunteers in Chaska!

Sincerely,
Mark Jones
Chaska CERT, Commander

NOTABLE INVESTIGATIONS IN 2013

In 2013, 426 cases were submitted for the investigation division's review. Many cases are investigated and carried to completion by the patrol officer who takes the initial call. Some of the notable cases assigned to a detective include:

- An adult female was arrested for the theft of approximately \$525,000 from her employer. She faces a three-year prison sentence.
- Over \$20,000 worth of property was stolen from an engineering business. The property was recovered and the offender was arrested.
- An adult male was arrested for a garage burglary in a residential neighborhood. His capture helped solve another residential burglary in an adjacent neighborhood.
- Patrol officers caught two males stealing items from vehicles in a residential neighborhood. Their capture helped solve several other thefts from that night.
- A career criminal was arrested after he stole a vehicle from an auto body shop.
- There were three accidental firearm discharges in the city, two of which occurred in the same residence on different dates. As a result, four people were struck by bullets and are recovering. In each incident, the person that negligently handled the gun was charged with a crime.
- An adult male stabbed another employee while working at a food processing plant. He was arrested and charged with second degree assault.
- While crossing Chaska Boulevard on October 31st, an adult female pedestrian was struck and killed by a vehicle driven by an adult male. The driver was charged with offenses that included careless driving, inattentive driving, and others. The driver had not consumed alcohol.

2013 TRAINING RECAP

Chaska Police Department Training unit members:

- Sergeant Brady Juell Coordinator Use of force/Taser/firearms
- Officer Mike Kleber Use of force/Taser Instructor
- Officer Elroy Schmidt Firearms/Use of force instructor
- Officer Josh Lawrenz Use of force/Taser Instructor

2013 was a busy year for the Chaska Police Department Training unit. We performed 14 different training classes for the police department members. Those classes consisted of mandatory and non-mandatory statutory training.

The most intensive training event for the year was the Hostile Event Response training that was conducted at the Clover Ridge Elementary School. This training was a one-day course consisting of three individual sessions. Each session trained in the police/fire/medical response to hostile events. Each session was three hours long and was attended by members of each of the following groups:

- Chaska Police Department
- Carver County Sheriff's Department
- Chaska Fire Department
- Ridgeview Paramedics
- Ridgeview Medical Center Staff
- District 112 School and Administrative staff
- Victoria/Carver and other Fire department members

Each session started with a brief classroom portion. Then the remainder of the training was a series of live action scenarios. Those scenarios featured role players who simulated an active shooter, victims, and bystanders. A District 112 science teacher was brought in to add realistic explosion sounds to add stress to the scenario participants.

Many months were taken to plan this event and could not have been done without the help of countless volunteers from the Chaska CERT team and the Chaska Police Explorers. All came together wonderfully to put on this professional, highly rated training. The training was such a huge success for all involved that the CPD training unit will be working with other organizations to replicate this class and bring it to their prospective groups.

TRAINING UNIT SAFETY AUDITS

The Training unit provides **free** Safety Audits to any organization, business, group, or school in the city of Chaska. The safety audit provides basic safety tips for employees or members, a review of safety procedures, and helps review basic site safety at your location. If you are interested in having a Training Unit member perform a Safety Audit for your organization, please contact Sergeant Brady Juell at the Chaska Police Department at 952-448-4200.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

Below are some of the duties of a Chaska School Resource Officer (SRO):

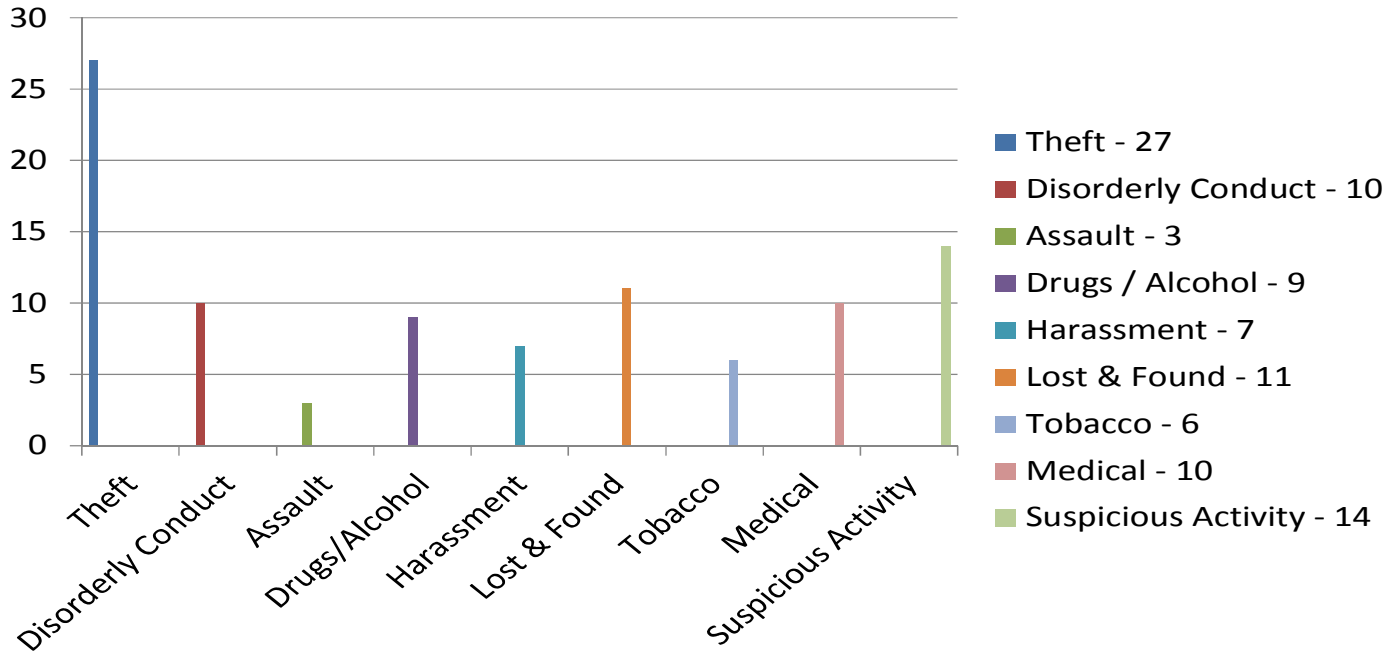
- SROs provide a visible police presence inside the Chaska High School and Integrated Arts Academy, which directly maximizes the safety of students and staff.
- SROs investigate all criminal allegations/complainants within the school(s) that are violations of both of state law and city ordinances. SROs may also be involved in school rule infractions; however, they are not used as a school disciplinarian.
- By working closely with the student body, educators, and administration through education and relationship building, it is hoped that juvenile delinquency behaviors decrease. The role of a professional police officer is to be viewed as a valuable adult role model for juveniles and young adults.
- Provide leadership, encouragement, and recommendations regarding school safety and crisis planning.
- When possible provide classroom presentations on a variety of youth and safety topics.
- SROs are not assigned to the Chaska Elementary, Middle, or private schools.

JUVENILE CRIME DATA

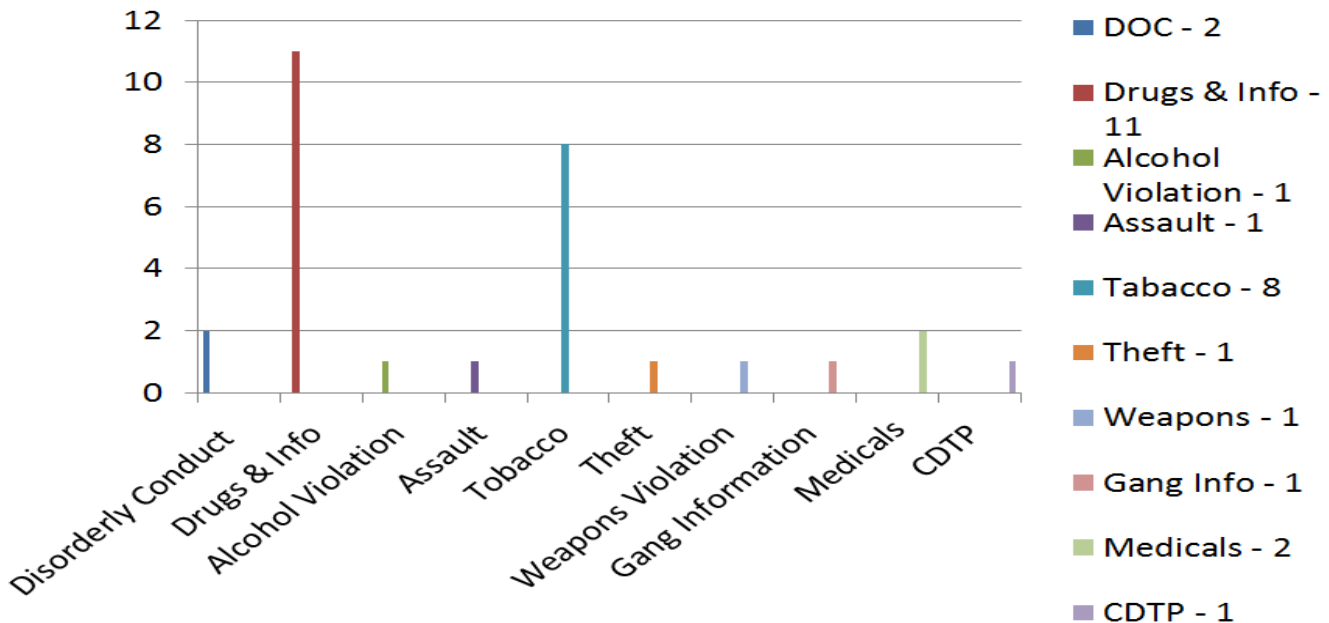
Listed below are some of the “calls for service” that the SROs responded to between 01-01-13 and 01-01-14. Also included are applicable crime statistics.

- During the above time frame the SROs handled approximately **118** cases requiring documentation at the Chaska High School. An average school year has approximately **173** student school days. This is a full time position for a SRO.
- During the same time period SROs handled approximately **36** cases requiring documentation at the Integrated Arts Academy School. This school has approximately 80 students and the SRO is present at the school for four hours a day.
- The top incidents that were dealt with by the SROs at the Chaska High School and Integrated Arts Academy are listed below and are also displayed in a diagram:

Chaska High School SRO Calls for Service – 118:



Integrated Arts Academy SRO Calls for service - 36:



- The top three months for call activity were **October, November, and January**. The slowest call activity month where school was in session all month was **May**.
- A major incident for this time frame was a case which resulted in a conviction of a Chaska High School student for felony terroristic threats. A student sent multiple email threats on 01-08-13 and 01-09-13 that threatened violent behavior towards staff, students, and police. This required the complete lockdown of the high school twice and disrupted many lives. After a lengthy investigation a male was identified, admitted to, and was convicted of this crime.
- Not all activity by the SROs is reflected by officer documentation. Activities by the SROs such as *teaching, returning lost property, counseling a dispute between students, and assisting with lock down drills and emergency preparedness* are not always documented.

NOTABLE CALLS FOR SERVICE IN 2013

Every week, the Chaska Police Department produces and distributes the "Chaska Police 4-1-1" newsletter to subscribers via email. The newsletter provides readers with enforcement statistics from the previous week, safety tips for residents, news for upcoming events, and summaries of interesting (and sometimes humorous) calls for service. To sign up for the newsletter one just needs to visit the Chaska Police Department's website. Some of the more interesting calls handled by Chaska Police Officers in 2013 are listed below:

2/6/13

Notable:

My car needs a tune up...

While driving on Bavaria Road, an officer observed a vehicle in the opposite lane of traffic. The vehicle was barely moving and there was a large amount of smoke in the area. As the officer drove closer, he observed the vehicle was attempting to drive up a slight incline in the roadway. The front tires were spinning at a high rate, while the rear tires were not moving at all. A strong odor of burnt rubber hung in the air. The status of the front and rear tires clearly indicated the vehicle's emergency brake was applied. The officer stopped and spoke to the driver of the vehicle, asking him what was wrong. The male driver stated nothing was wrong with his vehicle, as it was just having a difficult time making it up the hill. It was pointed out the parking brake was applied. The driver showed signs of intoxication and admitted to consuming alcohol. He failed field sobriety evaluations and was arrested for DWI. The result of a breath test was a .13 BAC. A passenger in the vehicle gave officers a false name and was charged with providing false information to police. Another passenger in the vehicle was cited for possession of drug paraphernalia.

2/20/13

Notable:

Why You Wascally Wabbit!

While at home late one evening, a person observed suspicious foot tracks in the snow on the deck and noticed the outdoor motion light was on. Concerned, the person called 9-1-1 to report the suspicious incident. Police promptly arrived and observed the tracks. They advised the homeowner that all was well, as the tracks had been left by a bunny rabbit.

2/27/13

Notable:

Table for Twozzzzzzzz.....

An intoxicated male and female entered a restaurant at approximately 3:00 AM one morning for a meal. They sat in a booth and ordered food. A short time after ordering, the female left the booth to use the restroom. While sitting on the toilet in the restroom, she fell asleep. Simultaneously, the male fell asleep in the booth. Restaurant employees called police after the female had not exited the bathroom for 30 minutes.

Police arrived and attempted to verbally wake the female with a female restaurant employee, but had no success. The lock to the bathroom stall was eventually forced opened and the woman was still sitting on the toilet with her head between her knees. After several seconds, they were finally able to wake the female and they exited the restroom.

Her booth- sleeping counterpart also woke upon having contact with police. The male paid the bill and they packed up their food. They had not driven, as the male lived in a residence across the street from the restaurant. Officers arranged for the safety of these two individuals and got them to the residence where they were staying

3/13/13

Notable:

I am a taxpayer! ...

A Chaska resident called the police with a request for the city to send someone to sand and/or salt her driveway. Not her street, her driveway. The officer advised the city would likely not provide that service and offered her several alternatives.

4/17/13

Notable:

Where is that vehicle manual?

An officer observed a vehicle traveling without its lights activated after dark. The officer stopped the vehicle and its female driver. The driver stated she was not familiar with the vehicle and that she could not figure out how to turn the lights on. The officer showed her the "secret" light switch inside the vehicle and activated the lights. The female driver gave her thanks and drove off, well lit and visible for all other drivers to see.

5/15/13

Notable:

Beer Muscles...

While at a bar, an intoxicated male began arguing with other patrons. The male was upset after other patrons made fun of his attire, which consisted of sweatpants, a shirt and necktie. Staff told the male to leave the bar after he attempted to start a fight with customers. Further agitated, the male took off his shirt and necktie and began "flexing" his muscles at those present, while asking if anyone wanted to fight him. Police were called and upon arriving, they observed the male still shirtless while flexing and yelling loudly. He would not listen to officers' commands, until informed a Taser would be deployed if he did not comply. At that point, the male promptly calmed down and spoke to the police. Officers learned the bar staff and customers did not feel threatened at any point during the incident. Everyone just wanted the male removed from the premises. Police escorted the male from the area and issued him a trespass notice.

6/26/13

Notables:

9-1-1 Follies....

It's been an interesting week in reference to calls for service to the dispatch center. Here is a summary of a few calls which were placed over the past seven days:

- A female called the police late one evening to report a suspicious package had been left at the end of her driveway. Police arrived and discovered the "package" was merely a shadow from a sign that was in her yard.
- A homeowner called 9-1-1 and reported a suspicious person was knocking on the front door of the residence. As officers were responding, they were advised to cancel as the homeowner actually knew the person at the front door.
- A woman called police and wanted it on record that she has no animosity towards a woman who assaulted her in Minneapolis three years ago. It is not known to police who the other woman even is.
- A juvenile male called 9-1-1 and reported he had snuck out of his house, and was unable to get back in upon returning.
- A male called police to report a tree was on fire in front of his residence. Police and Fire personnel arrived and did not observe anything on fire.
- A party contacted police to complain about a turtle laying eggs on the roadside. The reporting party was advised that it was normal turtle activity.

7/17/13

Notable:

911 or 411?

Numerous minors were consuming alcohol while attending a party in a residential backyard. One of the attendees accidentally dialed 9-1-1. Dispatchers received the call and could hear loud voices and someone talking about “pouring something out”. Dispatched could not decipher if there was a problem or if was an accidental dial, so the police were sent to the residence where the call originated from. Officers observed numerous minors in the yard around a fire and observed a large amount of alcohol. Police made contact with those present and learned no one was in distress. It was also learned who made the 9-1-1 call and that it was indeed placed accidentally. Nine minors were cited for underage consumption of alcohol. Several were also cited for possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. The male who resides at the residence was charged with violating the city’s social host ordinance. The Chaska Police Department appreciates when those violating the law call and report themselves to police, and strongly encourages others to do so as well!

8/14/13

Notable:

Spayed or Neutered?

A female called police to report her gray cat had been missing after being outside, but was now at a female neighbor’s residence. The female continued by saying her neighbor refused to return the cat to her. Officers spoke to the neighbor, who was adamant that the gray cat was hers and that the cat had run away during a “training session” approximately eight months prior. Both females were convinced the cat was theirs. Police arranged an intervention in order to resolve the dispute as both ladies were upset. During the intervention, the neighbor who found the cat discovered the gray cat was a male cat, not her missing gray female cat. Thanks to the gender-based evidence, the gray male cat was returned to his rightful owner and all was well in the world. Let’s keep the cats on a leash when outside!

10/2/13

Notable:

I need to vent to someone...

A female called the police to share her displeasure with a tree service business. She told an officer she felt the work was not completed and was overpriced. The officer informed her the matter was civil and not criminal in nature. She responded by stating she was aware it was a civil matter.

12/4/13

Notable:

A rose is a rose is a rose....(most of the time)

The great American literary writer Gertrude Stein once wrote "A rose is a rose is a rose." However, such is not always the case as evidenced by the reported incident below:

Police received a theft of cell phone report from a residence. Officers responded to the home and spoke to the male victim. The self-labeled "lonely" male told police he had been on Craigslist viewing a "casual encounters" site. He sent a message to a posting which had two females on it. The male told the females he was "lonely and generous." The females responded and said they were willing to come over for 180 "roses." He agreed to the floral arrangement and texted his address to them.

The two females arrived at his residence and asked for their "roses" (*which is really money, in case you have not figured that out yet*). The payment was made and they entered the male's bedroom where they instructed him to take his clothes off, which he did. The females then quickly ran from the residence with the "roses" and his cell phone, which had been sitting on a nearby couch. Due to his level of nudity, no chase ensued and he called the police. The male stated he was really embarrassed and had not done anything similar in the past. Police concurred that it was really embarrassing!

The cell phone service was canceled as the phone company was unable to track the device. The flower girls have not been located.

12/11/13

Notable:

Jolly Good Show...

A concerned homeowner called police to report suspicious footprints in his backyard. The footprints in the snow spelled out the word "ARSENAL" in approximately ten foot letters from top to bottom, and appeared to have been made from an adult-sized shoe/boot. The homeowner had no idea who was responsible or what the word was in reference to. The officer performed a google search on the word and learned that "Arsenal" is a top-ranked English Football Club. The officer informed the homeowner, who then contacted and confirmed his neighbor is a huge Arsenal fan, who was obviously excited over the recent success of the team.

12/18/13

Notable:

Man-u-al adjective

: operated or controlled with the hand or by a person

: operated only with the hands and without electric power

(source : Merriam-Webster Dictionary)

An officer responded to the area of Hwy 41 and Crosstown Blvd for a motor vehicle lockout. Upon arriving, the officer discovered the female driver was not locked outside of her car, she was locked **inside** the car. A highly unusual vehicle lockout call. While still locked in the car, the female explained the vehicle had a dead battery and she was not able to electronically unlock the doors.

Through the locked door, the officer advised the female how to manually unlock a car door. She manually unlocked the door and was free!

The normal fee for opening a locked car door was manually waived

