



PORT ST. LUCIE
POLICE DEPARTMENT

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CITY OFFICIALS



Shannon M. Martin
Mayor



Jolien Caraballo,
Vice Mayor
District 4 Councilwoman



Stephanie Morgan
District 1
Councilwoman



David Pickett
District 2
Councilman



Anthony Bonna, Sr.
District 3
Councilman



Jesus Merejo
City Manager



CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE
HEART OF THE TREASURE COAST

PSLPD'S MISSION STATEMENT

Through Courage, Knowledge, and Integrity, the Port St. Lucie Police Department is Committed to Superior Customer Service and Remaining One of America's Safest Cities.

VALUE STATEMENT

Protecting and Preserving Constitutional Rights

The Port St. Lucie Police Department is committed to protecting and preserving the rights of individuals as guaranteed by the Constitution.

Service to Our Community

The Port St. Lucie Police Department will work together with the community towards the prevention and elimination of conditions that threaten the community's right to be secure.

Accountability

The Port St. Lucie Police Department will hold all personnel accountable for the detection of problems and the execution of problem-solving strategies in their assigned areas.

Ethical and Moral Conduct

The Port St. Lucie Police Department will hold all members to the highest standards of moral and ethical conduct, both on-duty and off-duty.

Respect for People

The Port St. Lucie Police Department believes in treating all people with respect and dignity.

Empowerment

The Port St. Lucie Police Department believes that it will achieve excellence through the active participation of its employees in the development and implementation of policies, programs and services.



CHIEF'S MESSAGE

Dear Neighbors and Residents of Port St. Lucie,

As your Chief of Police, my primary commitment is to ensure that Port St. Lucie remains one of America's safest cities. At the Port St. Lucie Police Department (PSLPD), our dedicated officers and staff do more than just patrol; they partner with you to foster a safe environment where families can live, work, and thrive. I would like to share several key updates on our recent initiatives and the future of our department:

Evidence-based Crime Reduction: Since taking command, I have focused this department on evidence-based crime reduction, data-driven decision-making, and accountability at every level. We revitalized our long-standing Stratified Policing model, retrained the agency with our research partners, and overhauled our Crime and Intelligence Analysis Unit to strengthen the way PSLPD prevents crime, solves problems, and measures results. This modern, proactive approach has helped position PSLPD as a national model for public safety, and according to data tracked by the Real-Time Crime Index, Port St. Lucie has the lowest crime rate of any large city in America.

Community Trust & Engagement: Real safety is built on trust. Our officers are active participants in our neighborhoods, providing security at city events, planning various police events which allow one on one interaction with the community as well as educating residents of all ages on various safety topics. We believe that these personal connections are the foundation of effective policing.

Smart Growth for a Growing City: Port St. Lucie's population has surged to nearly 285,000 residents. To keep pace, we have expanded our force to 360 sworn officers and recently established District 6 to provide faster response times and better coverage for our expanding neighborhoods.

State-of-the-Art Training: Construction is nearly complete on our new three-story training facility, which is expected to officially open in 2026. This 54,000-square-foot facility features a 20-lane indoor firearms range and advanced virtual simulation rooms, ensuring our officers receive world-class training right here in Port St. Lucie.

Real-Time Intelligence Center: I am proud to announce Port St. Lucie is on track to open a new, centralized Real-Time Intelligence Center by summer 2026. This high-tech hub will consolidate our most critical tools—including traffic cameras, body-worn camera feeds, and license plate readers—into a single location. This center will allow our team to provide "eyes on the ground" instantly, giving responding officers live intelligence as they head to a scene.

Drone as First Responder (DFR): Operating together with our new center, our Drone as First Responder program allows us to launch drones immediately following a 9-1-1 call. These drones often reach the scene before ground units, providing vital aerial overwatch to help locate missing people or de-escalate potentially dangerous situations safely.

Your support is the most vital tool we have. Maintaining our status as one of the safest cities in America is a team effort, and your involvement makes all the difference.

If you have questions, suggestions, or simply want to share feedback, please reach out. We are here for you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Niemczyk".

Chief Leo Niemczyk
Port St. Lucie Police Department

Community Engagement

We are committed to building a safe community through trust and collaboration between law enforcement and residents. To strengthen this bond, we actively participate in community events, attend town hall meetings and mentor local youth. These efforts are designed to foster a strong, positive relationship between our officers and the residents we serve.

Crime Prevention

Our officers are continually working to proactively prevent crime in Port St. Lucie. Our agency practices the Stratified Model of Policing (an organizational model of problem solving, analysis and accountability) that incorporates evidence-based practices. By separating and distinguishing the types of problems, different analyses, responses and accountability mechanisms are carried out by different personnel within the agency "stratifies" the workload and responsibility for problem solving and crime reduction. The word "problem" is used in its most general sense, as a problem could be a significant incident, a repeat call for service location, a crime pattern, hot spot, a quality-of-life issue, a traffic problem, etc.



Traffic Safety

You may have noticed our aggressive driving educational and enforcement campaign that began in late 2024. Our Traffic Unit, who in years past were assigned to neighborhood traffic complaints, were directed to change their focus to the major thoroughfares throughout the City. This heightened enforcement, coupled with our educational push on social media, will continue throughout the foreseeable future.

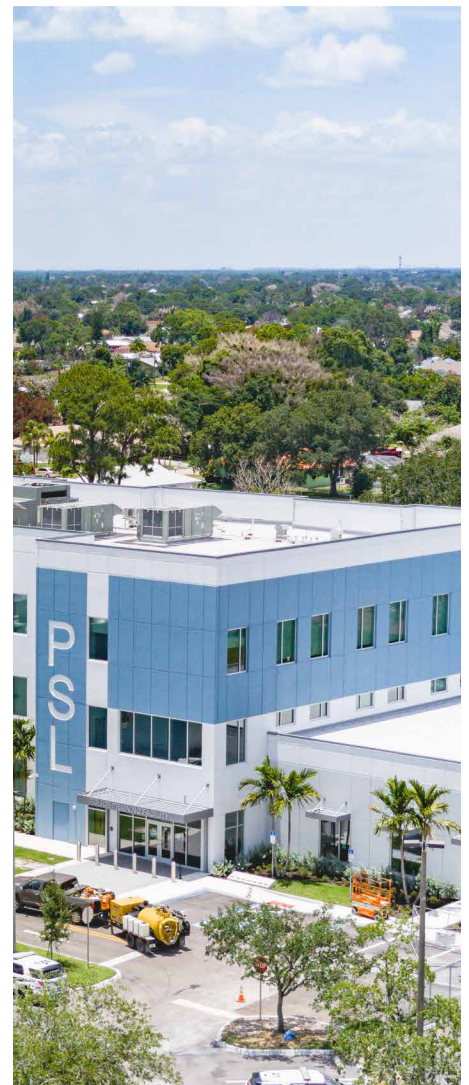
Enhanced Training

To stay ahead of emerging challenges, we are unwavering in our commitment to providing our officers with the best training and equipment available. With that in mind, I am happy to announce that the construction of our new three-story, state-of-the-art training facility, has begun and is scheduled to be completed early 2026.



Recruitment and Retention

Originally founded in 1980 with only nine Police Officers, the Port St. Lucie Police Department has grown to a staff of 335 Police Officers and 89 civilian staff members. Recognizing the importance of developing the Police Department to keep up with the City's rapid population increase, we developed and implemented the first-ever PSLPD-only academy classes in collaboration with the Treasure Coast Public Safety Training Complex. Our second class graduated in October 2025 with 28 new officers. A third class is set to start in October as well.



PERSONNEL ALLOCATION

DEC. 2025

SUPERVISORY POSITION:	Authorized/ Budget	Actual	Open
Chief of Police	1	1	0
Assistant Chief (including Acting Chief)	1	0	1
Deputy Chief - Neighborhood Police Bureau	1	1	0
Deputy Chief - Support Services Bureau	1	1	0
Captain - Criminal Investigations	1	1	0
Captain - Operational Support Services	0	1	(1)
Captain - Professional Standards	1	1	0
Captain - Special Investigation Div (SID)	1	1	0
Captain - District Support	1	1	0
Captain - Regional Neighborhood Police Bureau	2	3	(1)
Captain - Special Operations	0	1	(1)
Lieutenants - Neighborhood Police Bureau	12	12	0
Lieutenant - Administration/ Internal Affairs	1	3	(2)
Lieutenant - Criminal Investigations	1	1	0
Lieutenant - Special Investigation Division	1	1	0
Lieutenant - District Support	1	0	1
Sergeants - Neighborhood Police Bureau	30	29	1
Sergeant - District Support	1	2	(1)
Sergeant - Dist Support Community Outreach	1	0	1
Sergeant - Traffic Unit (District Support)	2	2	0
Sergeants - Criminal Investigations	7	5	2
Sergeant - Special Invest Division (SID)	4	5	(1)
Sergeant - Evidence	1	1	0
Sergeant - Internal Affairs	2	0	2
Sergeant - Staff Services (Training & Rec, Emergency)	2	3	(1)
Sergeant - Public Information Officer	1	1	0
Subtotal Supervisory Sworn	77	77	0

Sworn Personnel	
Authorized Full-Time Positions	360
Authorized Part-Time Positions	0
Actual Full-Time Headcount	337
Actual Part-Time Headcount	0

Non-Sworn Personnel	
Authorized Full-Time FTE Positions	95
Authorized Part-Time FTE Positions*	0
Authorized Headcount (FT+PT)	95
Actual Full-Time Headcount	82
Actual Part-Time Headcount	0

NON-SUPERVISORY POSITION:	Authorized/ Budget	Actual	Open
CID Detectives	32	30	2
SID Detectives - COPS CHP Grant (BTAM/TVU)	2	2	0
Special Investigations Division (SID)	20	17	3
Neighborhood Police Bureau Officers	184	172	012
Traffic Officers (Neighborhood Police Bureau)	10	11	(1)
K-9 Unit (Neighborhood Police Bureau)	5	5	0
Parks Officers (Neighborhood Police Bureau) (P&R funds 3) incl 2 Truancy	6	5	1
School Resource Officers (Neigh- borhood Police Bureau)	7	7	0
Municipal Complex Officer (Neigh- borhood Police Bureau) (City Hall)	1	1	0
PAL Officer	2	2	0
PD Lobby Officer (Neighborhood Police Bureau)	1	0	1
Public Information Officer (PIO) Officer	1	2	(1)
Internal Affairs Officer	0	0	0
Staff Services Officer	1	1	0
Recruit/Background Investigation Officer	2	1	1
Training Coordinator	3	2	1
Training Officer - BWC (Body Worn Camera)	2	2	0
Marine Unit	4	0	4
Subtotal Non-Supervisory	283	260	23

Grand Total (FTEs)	360
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POLICE CADET SUMMARY:	Active	Hired	Exits
FY 24/25	29	28	1
FY 25/26	23	0	0

Reserve/Aux Officers (non-paid part-time) = 5

SUPERVISORY STAFF:	Authorized/ Budget
Fiscal Management Division Director	1
Crime Scene Unit Manager	1
Fleet & Radio Project Manager	1
Police Administration Manager	1
Manager - Personnel Liaison	1
Police Grants Manager	1
Civilian Operations Division Director	1
Civilian Operations Division Manager	1
Strategic Planning & Analysis Division Director	1
Public Service Specialist (PSS) Manager	1
Records Redaction Supervisor	1
Records Manager	1
School Crossing Guard Supervisor Manager	1
Subtotal Supervisory Staff	13

SUPPORT STAFF: (FULL TIME)	Authorized/ Budget
Accreditation Specialist	1
Administrative Assistants	3
Administrative Operations Coordinators	6
Civilian Background Investigator (Senior)	1
Civilian Background Investigator	1
Court Liaison	1
Crime & Intelligence Analyst	5
Crime Scene Investigators (CSI's)	7
Police Special Events Coordinator	1
Digital Forensic Examiners	2
Evidence Technicians	2
PD Payroll Technician	2
Senior Payroll Technician	1
Fiscal Analyst	1

SUPPORT STAFF: (FULL TIME)	Authorized/ Budget
Extra Duty Detail Coordinator	1
Police Special Projects Coordinator	1
Polygraphist	1
Public Service Specialist (PSS)	10
Public Records Request Specialist	1
Purchasing Agent	2
Records Specialists	6
Records Redaction Coordinator (BWC)-Senior	3
Travel Logistics Coordinator	1
Traffic Crash Investigator	2
Victim Assistant & Coordinator (VOCA grant)	3
Volunteer Coordinator	1
Subtotal FULL TIME Support Staff	66.00

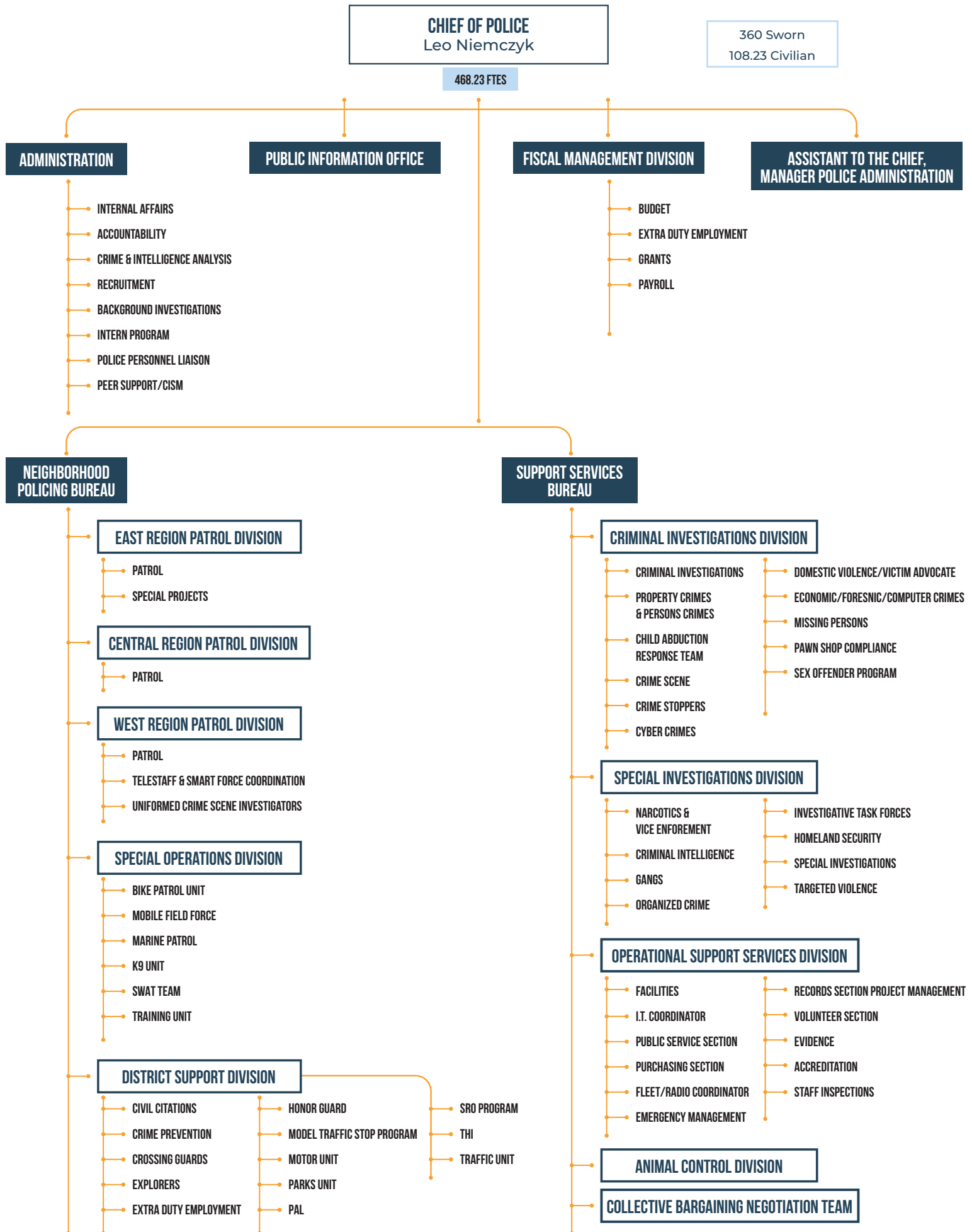
ANIMAL CONTROL:	Authorized/ Budget
Animal Control Operations Manager	1
Animal Control Community Outreach Coordinator	1
Animal Control Supervisors	2
Animal Control Officers	10
Animal Control Admin Asst	1
Animal Control Kennel Tech (FT)	1
Subtotal FULL TIME Support Staff	16

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS	Authorized/ Budget
Part Time	71
FTEs (Full-Time Equivalent)	15.7

VOLUNTEERS	Authorized/ Budget
Volunteers (includes Community Patrol)	146
Subtotal Contractual - excludes Cadets	9
Non-Sworn Police Cadet (Contractual)	23

Grand Total Non-Sworn (FTEs)	95
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AUTHORIZED			
Sworn Ratio per 1,000 Population per BEBR (4/1/25)	1.38	Pop. as of 4/1/25 based on correspondence from FL Bureau of Economic & Business Research (BEBR) received 10/15/25.	260,194
Sworn Ratio per 1,000 Population per US Census (7/1/24)	1.39	Pop. as of 7/1/24 based on U.S. Census, Quickfacts for City of Port St. Lucie, Florida (this is the latest published figure).	258,575



PSLPD'S LEADERSHIP

The PSLPD is led by the Chief of Police and consists of the Neighborhood Policing Bureau, the Support Services Bureau and Administration. Each bureau is managed by a Deputy Chief, and Administration is overseen by a Lieutenant that reports directly to the Chief of Police. The agency has nine Captains, 12 Lieutenants and one Animal Control Manager.



Leo Niemczyk
Chief of Police

Chief Niemczyk's career began in 1996 with the New York City Police Department (NYPD), where he completed field training at the 43rd Precinct in the Bronx. He later served at the 106th Precinct in Queens and the Queens South Auto Larceny Unit. During his time with the NYPD, Chief Niemczyk was highly decorated and made the sergeants promotional list. On Sept. 11, 2001, he responded to the World Trade Center and was involved in search and rescue operations in the months that followed.

In October 2002, Chief Niemczyk was sworn in as an officer with the Port St. Lucie Police Department (PSLPD). Since then, he has served in a variety of roles that have given him an in-depth perspective on the community and the department, including:

- Neighborhood Policing Bureau
- Criminal Investigations Division
- District Support Division
- Commanding in all districts within the City
- Leading crisis negotiation teams
- Leading the Honor Guard

In his time with the City of Port St. Lucie, Chief Niemczyk has implemented innovative new programs that have strengthened PSLPD. He founded the Peer Support Team, Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) program and was the first supervisor of the drone/UAV unit. As Assistant Chief, he implemented the first police academy class specifically for PSLPD in an effort to increase the number of officers and keep up with the City's population growth.

Chief Niemczyk has also held several roles in union leadership, having served as a representative and vice president for the Coastal Florida PBA, and as president of the local 6018 International Union of Police Associations. He is a member of the Florida Police Chiefs Association and the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

As a result of his continued leadership and demonstrated results, he was appointed Assistant Chief of Police in November 2023.

Chief Niemczyk holds a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from the State University of New York and a master's degree in Public Administration from Barry University. He is also a graduate of the Southern Police Institute Administrative Officer's Course at the University of Louisville, Class 137.



Marc DiMeo
Deputy Chief

Deputy Chief Marc Dimeo is responsible for the efficient operation of the Neighborhood Policing Bureau (Neighborhood Police Bureau). Deputy Chief DiMeo reports directly to the Chief of Police.

- East Region Patrol Division
- West Region Patrol Division
- Central Region Patrol Division
- Special Operations Division
 - » Bike Patrol Unit
 - » Mobile Field Force
 - » Marine Patrol
 - » Dive Team
 - » K9
 - » SWAT
 - » Training Unit
- District Support Division
 - » Civil Citation Program
 - » Crime Prevention
 - » Crossing Guards
 - » Explorers
 - » Extra Duty Employment
 - » Honor Guard
 - » Model Traffic Stop Program
 - » Motor Unit
 - » Parks Unit
 - » PAL
 - » SRO Program
 - » THI
 - » Traffic Unit.



Carmine Izzo
Deputy Chief

Deputy Chief Carmine Izzo is responsible for the efficient operation of the Support Services Bureau (SSB). Deputy Chief Izzo reports directly to the Chief of Police.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Criminal Investigations Division (CID) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Criminal Investigations » Property Crimes » Persons Crimes » Child Abduction Response Team » Crime Scene » Crime Stoppers » Cyber Crimes » Domestic Violence/ Victim Advocate » Economic/Forensic/ Computer Crimes » Missing Persons » Pawn Shop Compliance » Sex Offender Program | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special Investigations Division (SID) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Narcotics and Vice Enforcement » Criminal Intelligence » Gangs » Organized Crime » Investigative Task Forces » Homeland Security » Special Investigations » Targeted Violence | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operational Support Services Division <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Facilities » IT Coordinator » Public Service Section » Purchasing Section » Fleet/Radio Coordinator » Records Section » Project Management » Volunteer Section » Evidence » Accreditation » Staff Inspections » Emergency Management |
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ADMINISTRATION



Joseph Norkus
Public
Information
Office Lieutenant



**Abraham
Alvarez**
Fiscal
Management
Administrator



**Andrew
Friedman**
Director,
Strategic
Planning and
Analysis Division

NEIGHBORHOOD POLICING BUREAU



Kacey Donnell
Eastern Region
Patrol Division
Captain



Brinton Black
Western Region
Patrol Division
Captain



James Howie
Central Region
Patrol Division
Captain



Robert Fonteyn
Special
Operations
Division Captain



Brian Kenny
District Support
Division Captain

SUPPORT SERVICES BUREAU



Jesse Inigo
Criminal
Investigations
Division Captain



Michelle Steele
Operational
Support Services
Division Captain



Matthew Cuba
Special
Investigations
Division Acting
Captain



Bryan Lloyd
Animal Control
Division Manager

GOAL 1: SAFE, CLEAN AND BEAUTIFUL INITIATIVES





POLICE TRAINING FACILITY

The Port St. Lucie Police Department has traditionally relied on other locations to host the training of their officers in firearms, defensive tactics, virtual simulation, and classroom topics. While Florida state statute mandates that all certified officers in Florida must complete 40 hours of training every four years to maintain their certification, the Port St. Lucie Police Department has set a higher standard, requiring officers to complete 40 hours of specialized and continuous training annually.

With the support of City Council, the Port St. Lucie Police Department embarked on the design and construction of its very own state of the art training facility, located within the current municipal complex. It will provide intensive and specialized training for PSLPD officers. The three-story facility will cover roughly 54,000 square feet and feature:

- A 25-yard long, 20-lane indoor firearms range
- Supporting training areas
- A virtual simulation room
- A defensive tactics area
- A multi-purpose training classroom
- A tactical building training area
- Office space for a growing department

The new training facility demonstrates the City's commitment to enhancing public safety and maintaining the high standards of the Port St. Lucie Police Department. This facility will deliver significant benefits, including cost savings through reduced overtime, equipment replacement, travel time and vehicle usage. Its versatile design will enable multiple training sessions to occur simultaneously and more frequently, improving program efficiency. This will foster a safer, more effective work environment while ensuring compliance with accreditation and Florida Department of Law Enforcement/State standards.

The training facility is anticipated to be completed in Summer 2026.



POLICE RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

The Port St. Lucie Police Department (PSLPD) is dedicated to hiring highly qualified police officer candidates who reflect our department's values and the community we serve. Our rigorous recruitment process ensures we select the best applicants from a diverse workforce.

STRATEGIC RECRUITMENT APPROACH

Our recruitment program uses a multi-faceted, data-driven strategy focused on service, diversity, and community engagement. Key efforts include ongoing engagement with educational institutions and community events. Regular visits to the Treasure Coast Public Safety Complex, state colleges, local high schools, and job fairs foster interest in law enforcement careers.

ALL-AGENCY ACADEMY INITIATIVE

In partnership with the Treasure Coast Public Safety Complex, PSLPD launched its second all-agency academy class in March 2025 to meet the growing demand for officers. From over 1,100 applicants, 28 graduated and were sworn in by October 2025. This initiative ensures that new officers are well-prepared to serve the community and uphold our agency's high standards.

A third academy class began in October 2025, with the Recruiting Unit preparing both graduating cadets and new recruits simultaneously to keep pace with departmental growth.

MODERNIZED RECRUITMENT AND BRANDING

The Recruiting Unit and Public Information Section use demographic and social media analytics to refine outreach and attract candidates who align with the department's strategic goals. These efforts have resulted in two graduating PSLPD cadet classes, a third in progress, and a doubling of social media engagement in one year. This visibility helps attract top candidates, even those sought by other agencies.

STAFFING AND RECRUITMENT OUTCOMES

In 2025, 41 officers were hired, in addition to 23 cadets who began academy training in August and will be sworn in next year (2026).

Through ongoing innovation and collaboration, PSLPD remains dedicated to recruiting candidates who embody professionalism, integrity, and diversity.

TRAFFIC, BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

With Port St. Lucie facing rapid population growth, we must unite to address the rising demands on our infrastructure and staffing. Collaboration is vital to meet our community's safety needs and fulfill our vision of a safe place to live, learn, work and play. The primary objective of this traffic safety initiative is to eliminate traffic fatalities in the City. This can be achieved by adopting the Florida Strategic Highway Safety Plan (FSHSP) and Vision Zero, setting intermittent objectives and establishing timelines for implementing capital projects.

The initiative analyzes traffic crash data to identify high-risk locations and factors contributing to fatalities and serious injuries and develops a multi-disciplinary strategy to reduce and eliminate severe traffic incidents. The FSHSP outlines 13 emphasis areas, focusing on targeted strategies through engineering, education, enforcement and emergency response (the "4 Es") to minimize fatalities and severe injuries. The department leverages the FSHSP to implement best practices and effective tactics for each emphasis area.

For the third consecutive year, the police department secured a \$6,334.69 High Visibility Enforcement Grant, which includes free training in Bicycle and Pedestrian Crash Investigations.



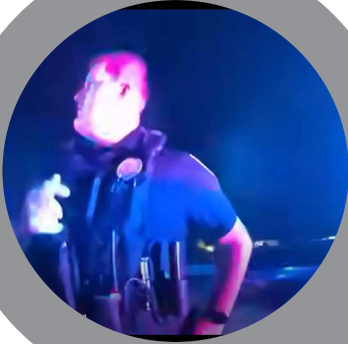
<https://www.fdot.gov/Safety/shsp/shsp.shtm>



2024

PUBLIC INFORMATION STATS

Facebook



Post reach

66.6
MILLION

(Number of people who saw
your posts)

**Post with the most
reactions**

68.9K

(Move Over Law traffic post)

**Post with the
highest interactions**

72.3K

(Move Over Law traffic post)

**Post with the
highest reach**

2.1MILLION

(Move Over Law traffic post)



63.7K
New followers

6.7K
New followers



Instagram

Post reach

1.5MILLION

(Number of people who saw
your posts)

**Post with the
most likes**

16.9K

(Citizen assists PSLPD at Publix)

**Post with the
highest interactions**

1.8K

(PSLPD Sergeant Uses New
Taser 10 to Disarm Man in Crisis)

**Post with the
highest reach**

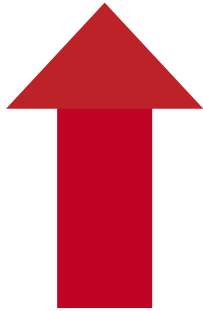
572,540

(Traffic Enforcement Post, with Crazy Train
music background)

FISCAL MANAGEMENT 2025-26

APPROVED BUDGET

\$74,295,664 Salaries & Benefits
\$18,191,556 Operating Expenses
\$2,192,900 Capital Outlay
\$94,680,120 Budget Total



22.9%

Budget Increase
from Fiscal Year
24/25, equating
to a difference of
\$17,636,102

FY25/26 Grants Awarded Amount

Florida Department of Law Enforcement - Online
Sting Operations Grant Program: **\$101,373**

COPS Hiring Grant: **\$500,000**

COPS Community Policing Development
Microgrants: **\$75,582**

Florida Department of Law Enforcement - Local
Law Enforcement Immigration Grant Program:
\$25,000

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant
- Countywide (JAGC): **\$28,133**

Florida Department of Law Enforcement - Identity
Theft and Fraud Grant Program: **\$10,000**

High Visibility Enforcement (HVE): **\$6,334**

Drug Recognition Expert Call-Out Program:
\$3,000

Victim's of Crim Act (VOCA): **\$220,328**

TJX Law Enforcement Grant Program: **\$5,000**

State Assistance for Fentanyl Eradication (SAFE)
in Florida Program: **\$56,000**

Children's Services Council - 2025-2026 Special
Designations Request: **\$9,910**

Helping Emergency Responders (HEROS):
~**\$35,000** (in-kind)



Grand Total of
Monetary/In-Kinds
Grants Received

\$1,072,960

PAYROLL & EXTRA DUTY EMPLOYMENT

The Payroll Department performs specialized work responsible for coordinating and processing of payroll for the entire Police Department that consists of **535** budgeted and contractual employees. It also performs administrative and financial functions associated with the Extra Duty Employment of Sworn Officers.

ADMINISTRATION

STRATIFIED POLICING

The Port St. Lucie Police Department employs Stratified Policing (an organizational model of problem-solving, analysis and accountability) as an approach to crime reduction that seeks to overcome the weakness of current policing methods while incorporating evidence-based practices. The Stratified Model distinguishes among different types of problems for which crime reduction strategies are implemented and designates responsibility based on the kind of problem and resources necessary to address the problem. By separating and distinguishing the types of issues, different analyses, responses and accountability mechanisms are carried out by other personnel within the agency, which "stratifies" the workload and responsibility for problem-solving and crime reduction. The word "problem" is used in its most general sense, as a problem could be a significant incident, a repeat call for service location, a crime pattern, a hot spot, a community quality of life issue, a traffic problem, a habitual offender, etc.

ACCOUNTABILITY MEETING STRUCTURE

DAILY STAFF MEETINGS/ROLL CALL BRIEFINGS:

Facilitate action-oriented accountability for strategies implemented for immediate and short-term problems. They are used to develop and monitor the implementation of strategies for significant incidents, repeat incidents and patterns and immediately assess the effectiveness of those strategies.

WEEKLY C.O.A.R. MEETINGS:

C.O.A.R. is an acronym for Collaborative Operational Analysis and Response. These meetings, occurring on a weekly basis, are a testament to our collaborative spirit. They facilitate action-oriented accountability within and/or among divisions, allowing us to come together, share our insights and assess the strategies implemented for short-term problems. Your contribution and teamwork are crucial in these meetings.

MONTHLY P.R.O. MEETINGS:

P.R.O. (Professionalism, Responsibility, & Oversight) These meetings, occurring monthly, play a significant role in evaluating the effectiveness of our crime reduction activities. They facilitate evaluation-oriented accountability within geographic areas and support divisions, as well as across the entire agency. By assessing whether our short-term crime reduction activities are effective, we can see the direct impact of our work on the community.

ANNUAL MEETINGS:

Facilitate evaluation-oriented accountability for the entire organization. These meetings examine long-term trends to determine the effectiveness of the agency's overall crime reduction approach, identify new long-term problems to be addressed over the next year or more, and formulate agency goals and any new or modified strategies for the coming year.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATIONS AND SUPERVISOR ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINTS REVIEW DISPOSITIONS

The Internal Affairs Section of the Port St. Lucie Police Department is dedicated to maintaining employee complaints and disciplinary records, ensuring a secure and reliable system for all stakeholders. This section is also responsible for the investigation of complaints against department employees, volunteers and, on occasion, other City employees, further bolstering confidence in the system. During 2025, a total of 135 complaints were received by the Internal Affairs Section. These complaints are categorized into Internal Affairs Investigations (Administrative Complaints, Investigative Reviews, and Miscellaneous) and Supervisor Administrative Complaints. There were 83 Internal Affairs Investigations conducted. Supervisor Administrative Complaints are supervisor-initiated complaints, and there were 52 conducted.

Of the 135 complaints, there were 65 external citizen complaints and 70 internal directed complaints.

This data does not include 4 complaints that remain active.

ADMINISTRATIVE, SUPERVISOR ADMINISTRATIVE AND INVESTIGATIVE REVIEW DISPOSITIONS

The findings/dispositions in those complaints were determined to be as follows. Please note that an event may include multiple findings.

- 12 Unfounded
- 72 Exonerated
- 0 Not Sustained
- 68 Sustained
- 43 Record Purposes Only
- 2 Resigned in Lieu of Termination

DEFINITION OF CASE FINDINGS

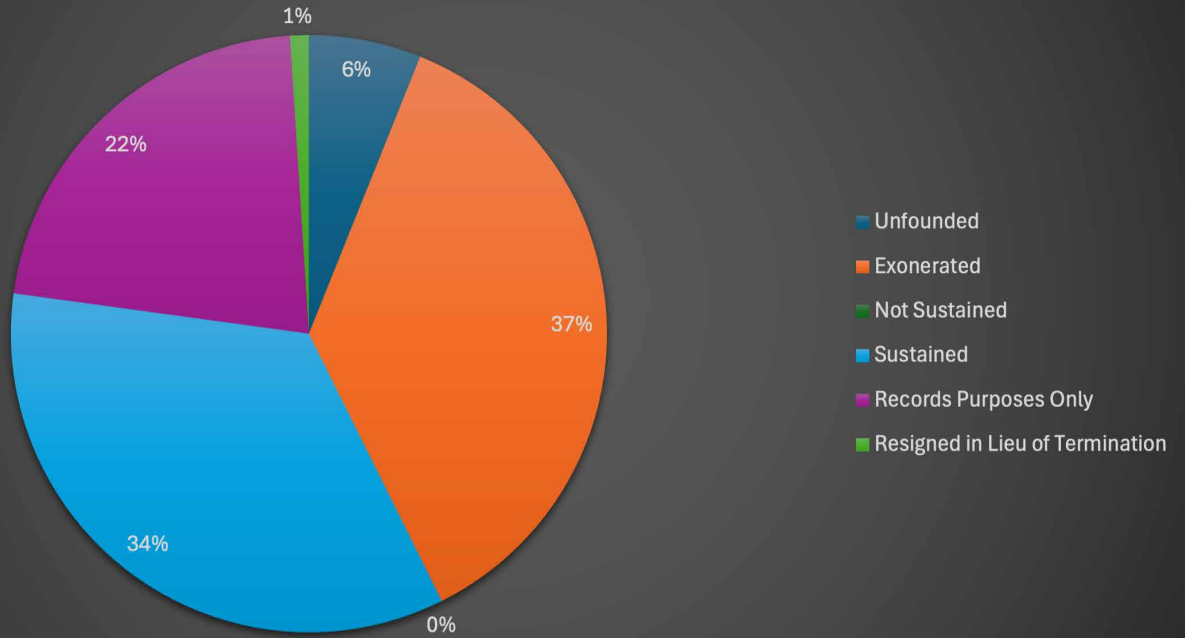
Unfounded: The allegation was demonstrably false or there was no credible evidence to support the complaint.

Exonerated: The incident occurred but the individual’s actions were lawful and did not violate written policies.

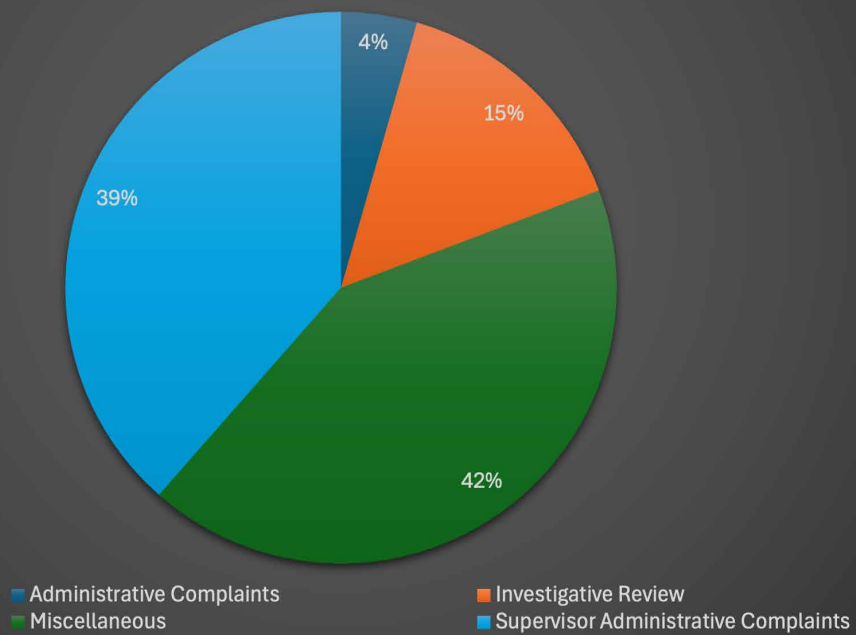
Not Sustained: Investigation failed to disclose sufficient evidence to prove or disprove the allegation.

Sustained: The allegation is supported by sufficient evidence.

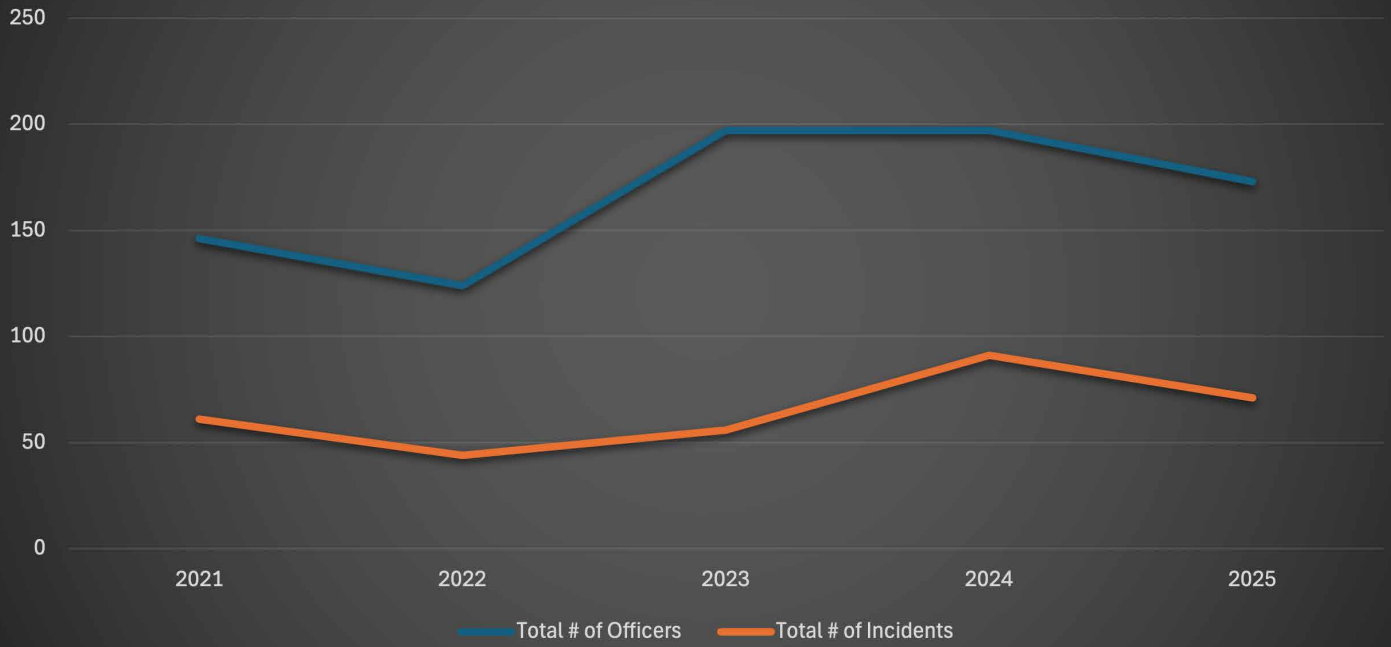
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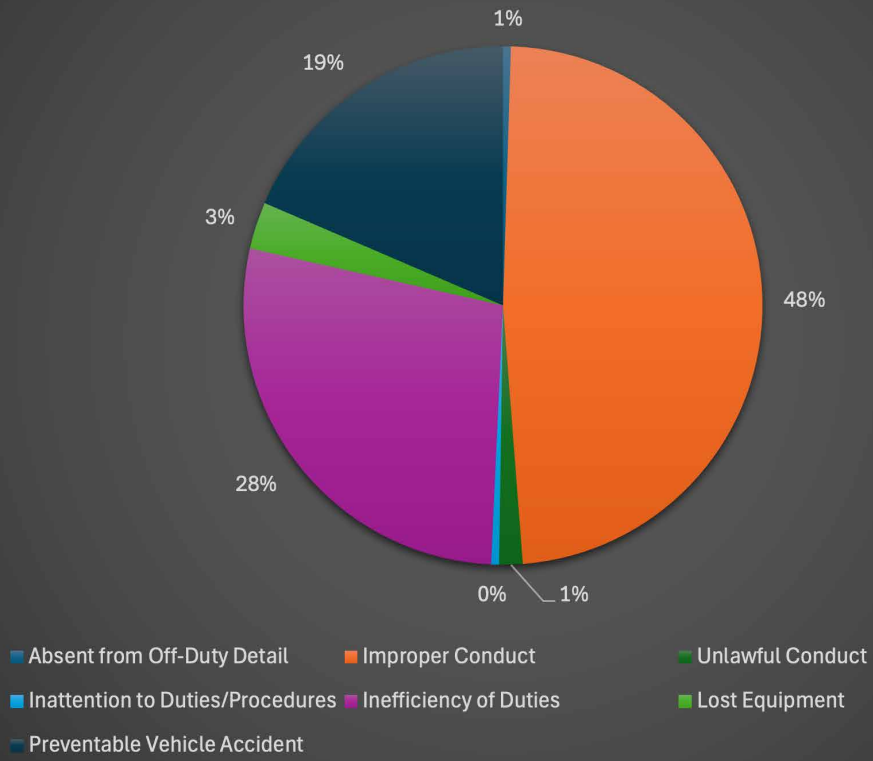
Types of Complaints



Subject Resistance



Supervisor Conferences



DISCIPLINARY/CORRECTIVE ACTION

In 2025, **92** Supervisor Conferences and **9** Employee Discipline Notices were issued. The Employee Discipline Notices include Written Reprimands and Suspensions.

SUBJECT RESISTANCE

In 2025, Internal Affairs received **71** Subject Resistance events involving **173** officers, of which **34** resulted in officer injuries. All **71** incidents were reviewed by the chain of command and were classified as justified. The following chart is a five-year comparison of the total number of officers and incidents.

INJURIES & EXPOSURES

In 2025, there were a total of **103** injury events filed. These events include:

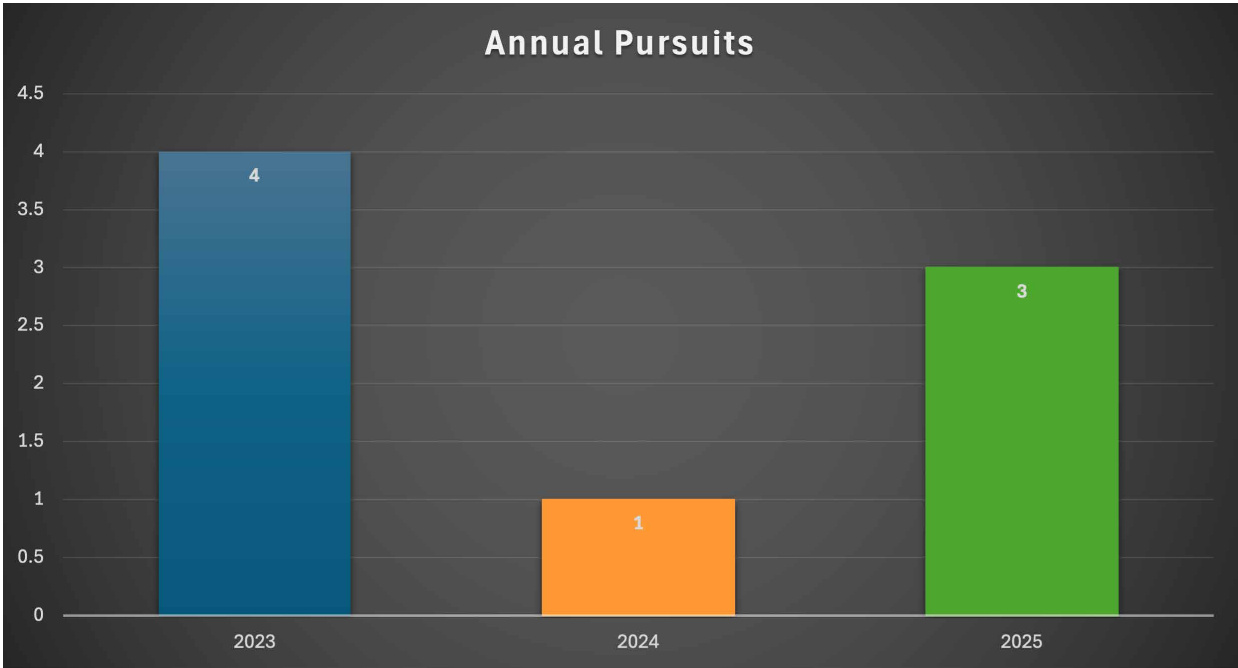
- 102** sworn employees
- 20** civilian employees

REPORTED INJURIES RESULTED FROM:

- 34** Subject Resistance
- 9** Vehicle Accidents
- 7** Insect or Animal Bites
- 25** Other/Accidental
- 30** Critical Incident
- 17** Exposures

VEHICLE PURSUITS

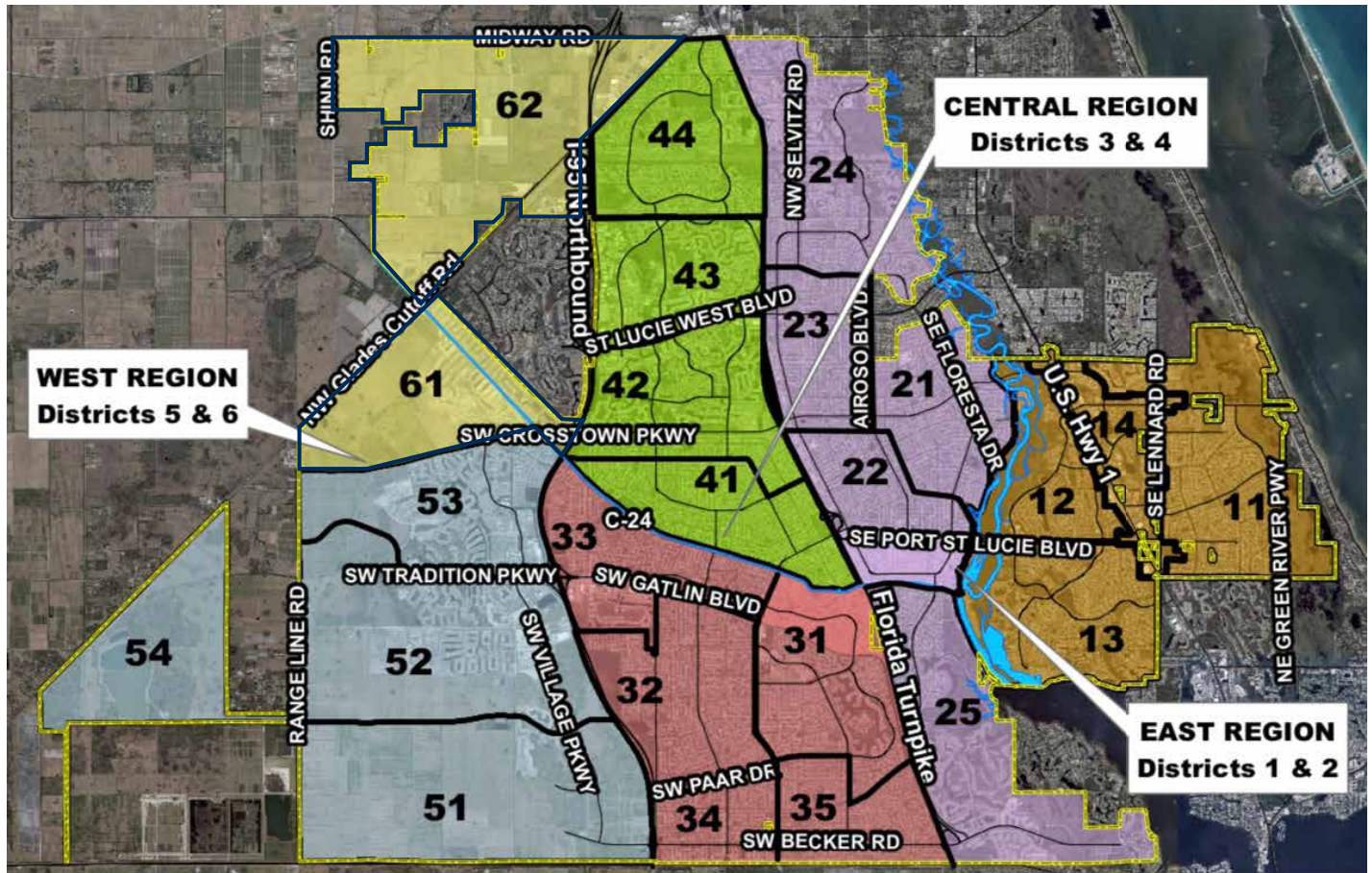
In 2025, there were **3** police vehicle pursuits. All of them were determined to be justified.



VEHICLE CRASHES

Professional Standards received **92** reports of traffic “crashes” involving Police Department vehicles. **47** were “Preventable,” **45** were “Non-Preventable” and **5** were “Preventable/Excusable.”

NEIGHBORHOOD POLICING BUREAU



EASTERN REGION

Captain Kacey Donnel manages the eastern region of the City of Port St. Lucie, which consists of the patrolling of Police Districts 1 and 2. Additionally, Captain Donnell oversees the bureau's special projects.

District 1: Boundaries are in the eastern region of the city, south of Village Green Drive, north of Port St. Lucie Boulevard, east of Veterans Memorial Parkway and west of Green River Parkway.

District 2: Boundaries are east of the St. Lucie River, west of Florida's Turnpike, north of Midway Road and south through Becker Road.

CENTRAL REGION

Captain James Howie manages the central region of the City of Port St. Lucie, which consists of the patrolling of Police Districts 3 and 4.

District 3: Is bordered by Florida's Turnpike on the east, I-95 on the west, the C-24 Canal to the north and the Martin County line to the south.

District 4: Boundaries include south of Midway Road, east of I-95, north of C-24 Canal, and west of Florida's Turnpike.

WESTERN REGION

Captain Brinton Black manages the western region of the City of Port St. Lucie, which consists of the patrolling of Police Districts 5 and 6. Additionally, Acting Captain Black oversees Telestaff and Smart Force Coordination, and Uniformed Crime Scene Investigators.

District 5: Boundaries include south of Crosstown Parkway, east of Glades Cut Off Road, north of the Martin County line, and east of I-95.

District 6: Except for the Reserve Country Club and a few unincorporated parcels along its western border, boundaries include south of Midway Road, east of Glades Cut Off Road and Shinn Road near Midway Road, north of Crosstown Parkway, and west of I-95.



CITIZEN REQUEST FOR SERVICE

447

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE

150,018

85,219 Self-Initiated

64,799 Public-Generated

RESPONSE TIMES

Reducing emergency response time is a priority of this strategic plan, though many factors influence it, including patrol zone size, traffic conditions, an officer's location relative to the call at the time of dispatch, and staffing levels. The addition of District 5 and continued growth in personnel are both expected to support progress toward this goal. Because no single factor drives response time, year-to-year changes should be read as the product of many variables working together.

As part of our ongoing commitment to transparency and continuous improvement, we have enhanced the way we measure emergency response times. Our updated approach is designed to reflect what matters most to residents: how quickly an officer arrives when you call for help. Previously, our response time calculations incorporated all officer activity, including proactive, self-initiated. Our refined methodology now isolates community-generated calls for service and measures the time from dispatch to an officer's arrival. This enhancement gives the community a clearer, more meaningful measure of our performance and establishes a strong, reliable baseline as we work to reduce response times in the years ahead.

A cornerstone of our modernization strategy is the Drone as a First Responder (DFR) program, which deploys remotely piloted aircraft to emergency calls ahead of ground units. Integrated directly with our computer-aided dispatch system, drones launch the moment a qualifying call is received and often place eyes on scene within seconds, with a maximum travel time of approximately four minutes anywhere in the coverage area. The program will be used for priority incidents such as active threats, burglaries, robberies, shootings, kidnappings, barricaded subjects, school-related emergencies, felony traffic stops, and fleeing suspects. By reaching a scene well ahead of responding officers, drones deliver real-time aerial intelligence that helps officers arrive faster and safer, which will drive down our response times significantly.

AVERAGE CALL PRIORITY

YEAR	Priority	1	2	3+
2021	7:05	6:56	9:33	9:48
2022	7:20	7:02	9:34	11:27
2023	7:32	7:30	9:40	11:28
2024	7:33	7:20	9:44	10:37
2025	7:35	7:28	10:07	9:59

Numbers reported are from calendar year 2025.

CALL CLASSIFICATION:

Priority: Those calls requiring immediate dispatch (i.e., felonies-in-progress, accidents with injuries, in-progress calls with a threat of violence, etc.)

1. Those calls requiring dispatch within five minutes from receipt of the call (all hazardous traffic accident situations, accidents without injuries, non-violence in-progress calls, missing persons involving individuals unable to care for themselves, etc.)
2. Routine calls for service other than Priority 1 of 2 calls, requiring the presence of a police officer.
3. Non-law enforcement generated calls, such as rescue runs, brush fires, nursing home falls, hospital transport, etc.



SPECIAL OPERATIONS

Captain Robert Fonteyn manages Special Operations which includes the Bike Patrol Unit, Mobile Field Force, Marine Patrol, K9 Unit, Dive Team, SWAT and the Training Unit.



BIKE PATROL:

Bike Patrol is deployed for a variety of operations such as special City events and targeted problem areas. During the 2025 year, the Bike Unit deployed to 170 various operations, details, and special events.



K9 UNIT:

The K9 Unit consists of 8 teams, 4 patrol/narcotics teams, 1 patrol/explosives team, 2 Bloodhound teams, and 1 Criminal Investigations Electronic Storage detection team. Each K-9 team must successfully complete and maintain two annual certifications from accredited national organizations that correspond to their specific disciplines. The bloodhound teams hold certifications by the National Narcotic Detector Dog Association and the National Police Bloodhound Association.

UTILIZATIONS	555
Call Outs	34
Tracks	112
Apprehensions	40
Apprehensions with Force	3
Area Searches	16
Building Searches	32
Apprehensions During Building Searches	1
Article Searches	33
Articles Located	30
Narcotic/Explosives Detections	139
Contraband Located	43
Tactical Assists	120
Crowd Control	0
Public Demonstrations	51
Bloodhound Deployments	51

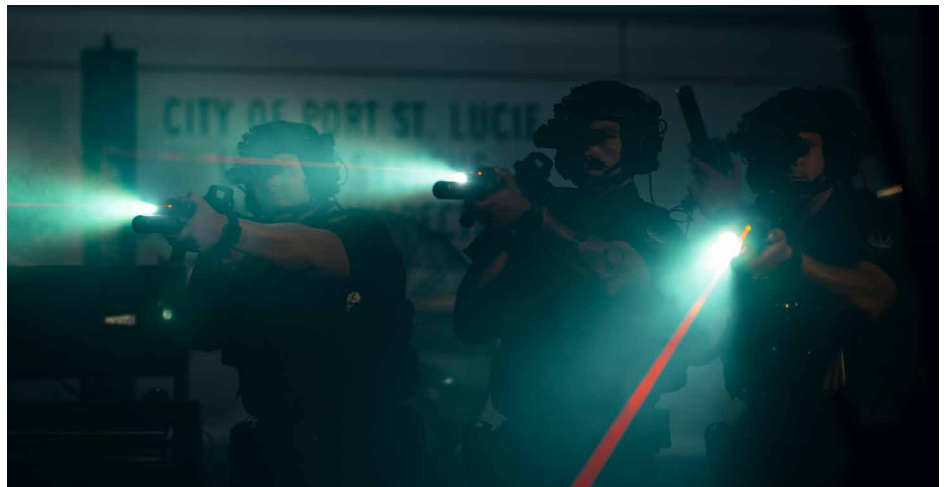


MARINE PATROL: The Marine Patrol Unit is an ancillary assignment and consists of 18 officers supervised by a sergeant and a lieutenant. It frequently deploys on weekends, special events and holidays when there is expected to be heavy boating activities throughout the waterways in Port. St. Lucie.

PATROL HOURS	1,560
Boating Citations	48
Written Warnings	117

SWAT: Special Weapons and Tactics is comprised of 6 elements: Entry, Breaching, Sniper, Crisis Negotiation Team, Mobile Field Force and SWAT Technicians. The entire team of 72 members are led by the SWAT Team Commander and Assistant SWAT Team Commander.

SWAT Statistics	
Entry and Sniper Deployment	74
S.W.A.T. Tech Deployments	636
CNT Deployments	19
Trainings the S.W.A.T Team Attended	53



DISTRICT SUPPORT DIVISION: Captain Brian Kenny is responsible for the daily operations of the District Support Division. District Support is comprised of several sections, Civil Citations, Crime Prevention, Crossing Guards, Explorers, Honor Guard, Model Traffic Stop Program, Motor Unit, Parks Unit, Police Athletic League, School Resource Officer Program, Traffic Homicide Investigators and the Traffic Unit.



DIVE TEAM: The Dive Team began implementation in February 2025 and went live in August 2025. The team is constructed through federal grant funding and started with four Divers, then grew to six Public Safety Certified Divers and four Dive Technicians who assist with Dive Operations. The Dive Team is supervised by the Special Operations Division Sergeant, who serves as the Dive Team Commander.



CRIME PREVENTION is a vital component to the District Support Section. Our full-time Crime Prevention Officer notifies our community of “Hot Spots” where criminal activity may have heightened in one particular section of the City. Additionally, the officer oversees Partner’s Against Crime, Alert St. Lucie and visits residents’ homes, at the owner’s request, to conduct security checks and provide recommendations to elevate their safety. The Crime Prevention Officer also attends Homeowners Association Meetings and local community events to provide crime prevention tips and how residents can protect themselves against victimization from burglary, fraud and identity theft.



The **CROSSING GUARD UNIT** has one supervisor and 75 budgeted seasonal part-time guards who are assigned to 75 posts throughout the City of Port St. Lucie. Presently, the unit has 28 vacancies. These guards also assist with traffic control at special events.

Our seven **SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS** are simply the best! The SROs cover the community’s three public high schools, and two charter schools. Our officers provide more than just enforcement and prevention of crimes on school campuses. They also act as mentors, develop educational tools regarding crime prevention and conduct security inspections to deter criminal or inappropriate activities.

- Officer James Luongo - PSLHS
- Officer Camille Marin - Centennial
- Officer Jerry DeJean - Treasure Coast High
- Officer Vincent De Aguila - Legacy
- Officer Joe Chamberlin - Somerset College Prep
- Officer Steve Camara - Somerset St Lucie
- Officer Dean Herzog - Somerset Bethany



The agency's six **PARKS OFFICERS** are jointly funded through Parks & Recreation to ensure a safe and secure environment is maintained so families and children can continue to enjoy outdoor leisure activities.

The **EXPLORER POST 411** is composed of youth and adults seeking to empower the next generation by offering an insight into the world of policing for those who may be interested in a career in law enforcement. The Explorer Advisors are made up of sworn officers within our department.



The **PORT ST. LUCIE POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE** is a proactive program that helps offer our local youth interaction with police officers and other adults to create positive influences in their impressionable lives. PAL is responsible for building character, as it is engaged in programs that promote constructive educational and meaningful experiences. PAL offers the following classes: radKIDs, karate, boxing, paddle board, PAL Leadership classes, Junior Police Academy, free fishing clinics and winter & summer baseball camps, plus self-defense, wrestling, baton camp and empowerment classes.

The District Support Division is also responsible for facilitating the dozens of community outreach events that our agency hosts and/or participates in throughout the year, including, but not limited to, National Night Out, Special Olympics Torch Run, Shop with a Cop, Tip a Cop and Safety Fest.





THE TRAFFIC UNIT, which encompasses the Motor Unit and Traffic Homicide Investigations, is comprised of 2 sergeants and 10 officers, split between days and nights, for nearly constant coverage. Their mission is to curb aggressive driving through education and enforcement.

2025 Citywide Traffic-Related Statistics

Traffic Complaints

359

Citations & Written Warnings

52,810

Crashes

5,744

Traffic Fatalities

16 crashes, 17 total fatalities

Port St. Lucie remains below the state and national averages of traffic fatalities.



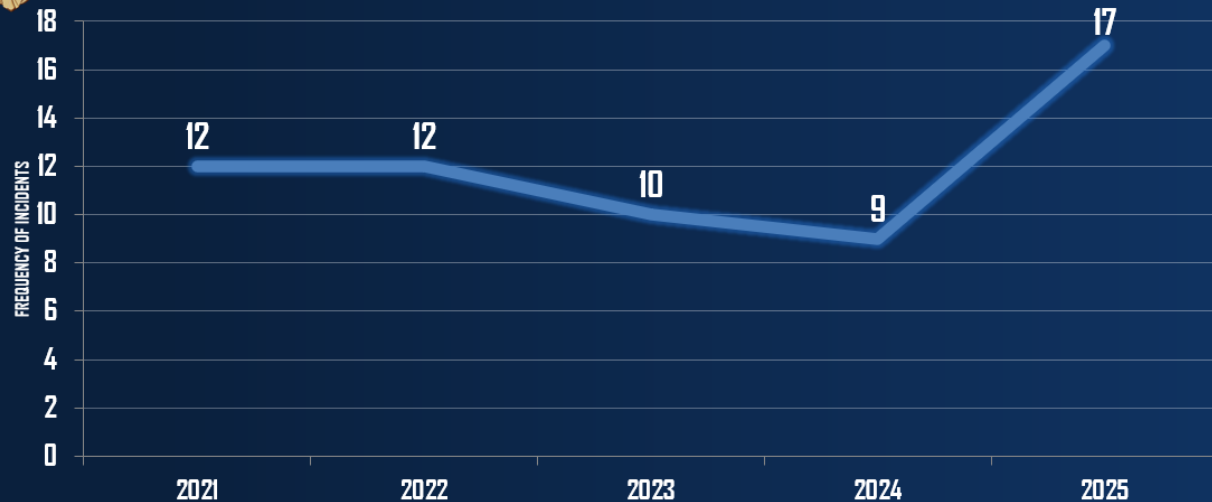
TRAFFIC CRASHES

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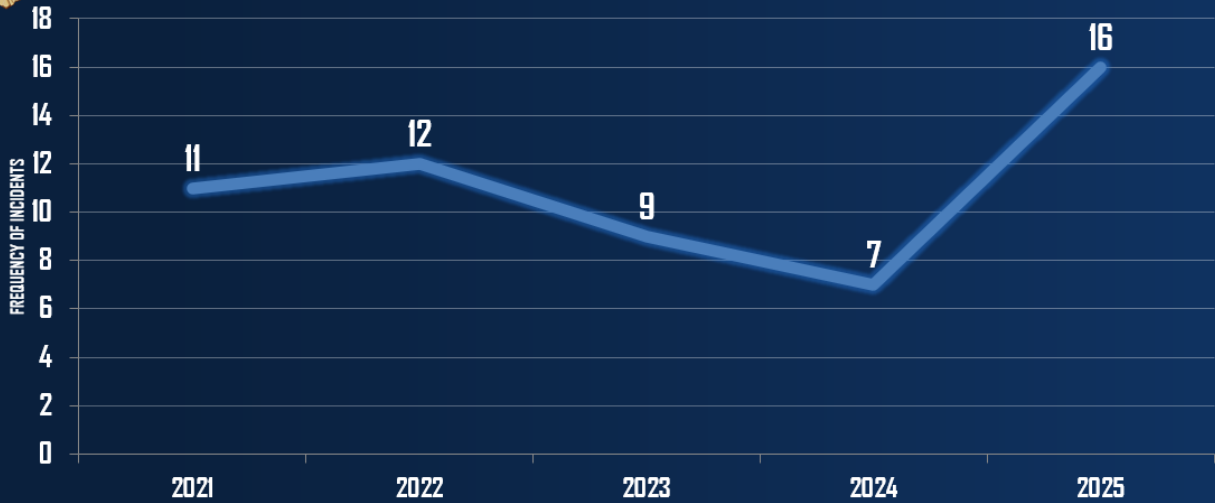
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COMMUNITY SURVEY

In March 2025, the Port St. Lucie Police Department conducted a department-led community survey distributed through its social media and public information channels. The survey remained open through April 2025 and received 104 responses. It is designed to supplement the City's National Community Survey by providing more direct, police-specific feedback to inform operational priorities and service delivery.

Results indicate generally positive perceptions of departmental performance and professionalism. Among respondents who had recent contact with the Department, most reported that the officer or employee was courteous and professional and was knowledgeable regarding the situation and their duties. Respondents also expressed confidence in the Department's ability to prevent crime, solve neighborhood problems, and apprehend offenders. Overall performance ratings remained strong, though slightly lower than in prior years.

When asked to identify the level of concern for twelve neighborhood problems, residents most often pointed to traffic-related issues (speeding, parking, and crashes), followed by neighborhood appearance (junk, trash, and blight) and unsupervised juveniles. These priorities are consistent with the Department's operational focus areas and continue to inform our crime reduction and traffic safety strategies.

Citizens were asked to rank the necessity of 10 specific programs and services – whether they were “very,” “somewhat” or “not” necessary. The highest ranked this year is “Traffic Enforcement & Crash Investigations.”

Citizens ranked “Traffic Enforcement & Crash Investigation” as top priority to the public with “Special Investigations (Drugs/Gangs/Homeland Security)” as the second priority. Only 2% behind “K-9 Unit (offender apprehension, building, article and drug search) was third, “Criminal Investigations Division” ranked fourth, and “General Neighborhood Patrol and Victim/Witness and Domestic Violence Assistance” was tied fifth. The chart below is a comparison of the top five ranked programs and services from 2021 and 2023.

TOP 5 RANKED PROGRAMS

2021

90% Criminal Investigations Division Cases

86% Victim/Witness & Domestic Violence Assistance

85% General neighborhood patrol & Traffic Unit (crashes, traffic homicide, motorcycle unit)

85% Special Investigations Division Cases

84% K-9 Unit (offender Apprehension, building/article/drug searches & School Resource and Youth Programs (School Resource, Truancy, Crossing Guards, Explorers, Police Athletic League)

2023

92% Traffic Enforcement & Crash Investigations

90% Special Investigations Division (drugs/gangs & homeland security)

88% K-9 Unit (Offender Apprehension, Building/Article/Drug Searches)

87% Criminal Investigations Division (Persons/Property & Economic Crimes)

82% General neighborhood patrol (General Law Enforcement Presence)

82% Victim/Witness and Domestic Violence Assistance

SUPPORT SERVICES BUREAU

OPERATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

PSLPD, AN ACCREDITED AGENCY

The accreditation body is Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA). The Port St. Lucie Police Department is the 193rd law enforcement agency in the United States and the first in St. Lucie County to become nationally accredited. The department successfully achieved national re-accreditation in 1996. In the following year, 1997, the department received accredited status through the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA). The department has most recently been re-accredited in 2024 from CALEA and 2022 from CFA.

ACCREDITATION PROVIDES THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS TO THE DEPARTMENT

- Provides a comprehensive review of the agency’s status and readiness, ensuring that we are fully prepared for any situation.
- Reinforces the agency’s ability to maintain the highest standards of law enforcement services that represent current professional practices.
- Assures that agency personnel is trained and function according to established policies and procedures.
- Provides a quality work environment for well-trained professionals that aids in recruiting and retaining qualified personnel.

The Accreditation Manager is responsible for ensuring the Port St. Lucie Police Department remains in compliance with all applicable accreditation standards designated by the state and national accrediting agencies between re-accreditation periods. Standards compliance is maintained through various methods, including continual review and updating of departmental written directives, the General Guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures.



ANIMAL CONTROL DIVISION

Animal Control is overseen by the Division Director. The 10 Animal Control Officers are supervised by 2 Animal Control Supervisors. Animal Control also has an Administrative Operations Coordinator, Kennel Technician and Community Outreach Coordinator. The focus of Animal Control in 2025 continued to be TNVR (trap, neuter, vaccinate, return) outreach and expansion while maintaining the highest return to owner percentages in the State with 65% of lost animals going home.

Animal Control Statistics:	
Calls for Service	9,999
Animals Impounded	1,889
Cases Investigated	2,866
Follow-up Investigations	1,935
Animals Returned to Owner	65%
Citations/Warnings Written	734
Sick and/or Injured Animals	1,304
Phone Calls & Walk-ins Assisted	5,945
Licenses Issued	27,590



STAFF INSPECTIONS

The Accreditation Manager is also the staff inspector. Staff inspections ensure the department's operational and administrative functions are correctly executed. This section provides the Police Chief, Assistant Chief, Deputy Chiefs, Captains and Supervisors with a means of routinely assessing the department's efficiency and effectiveness and information for current and future planning. The Accreditation Manager conducts systematic, fair and objective staff inspections when examining office facilities, property, equipment, personnel, administration and operational activities outside the regular supervisory and line inspection procedures.

PURCHASING

- Outfitted Class 182
- New pullovers were received and distributed to sworn personnel
- Issued 40 AEDs to sworn personnel

RADIO AND FLEET

Current Number of Vehicles in Fleet	542
Total Number of Vehicles Repaired	97
Total Number of Vehicle Calibrations Completed	591
Radar and Lasers Inspected/Re-certified	454
Fire Extinguishers Inspected/Re-certified	406
Vehicles Purchased	42
Vehicles Sold on Public Surplus Website for a Profit of \$50,650	10

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Volunteer Hours	11,290
Total Volunteers	146
Community Patrol Hours	7,384
Community Patrol Volunteers	129
Close House Watch Requests	89
Volunteer Animal Control	86

RECORDS

Reports Processed	32,232
Citations Entered	52,803
Written Warnings Entered	32,486
Public Records Requests	8,903
Citizens Assisted at Counter	3,339
Telephone Calls	8,273
Subpoenas Issued by Court Liaison	10,576
Body Worn Camera Videos Processed	5,185
Collected from False Alarm Program	\$228,985

PUBLIC SERVICE SPECIALISTS

Written Reports	523
Telephone Calls Answered	115,703
Walk-Ins Assisted	10,732
Parking Tickets Entered	588
Fingerprints Completed	2,184
Electronic Messages Relayed	3,354
Commands Notifications Sent	3,167
1PSL Service Requests Entered	109
Risk Protection Orders Entered into FCIC	93
FCIC Coordinator Validated Active Reports	940

**SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
DIVISION**

The Special Investigations Division (SID) consists of the Narcotics Unit (short-term and long-term investigations), the Targeted Violence Unit and the Gang Intel Unit.

SID also participates in the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), Homeland Security Intelligence (HSI), Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) and United States Marshals Fugitive Task Forces. Two members of the Special Investigations Division participate in the DEA Task Force. Additionally, SID has one active ATF Task Force Officer, one HSI Task Force Officer and one FBI Task Force Officer. These positions are financially reimbursed for any overtime that our agency incurs while working joint investigations with the agencies.

Detectives within SID spent significant time compiling information on gang and criminal-related activities.

All 27 SID team members have been trained in the use and handling of Confidential Informants, to include specific training on Rachel’s Law.

SID STATISTICS:	
Narcotic-Related Investigations	425
Search Warrants Executed	38
Buy-Bust Operations	3
Controlled Narcotic Purchases	108
Investigated Overdose Cases	25
Narcotic Related Arrests Made	215

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

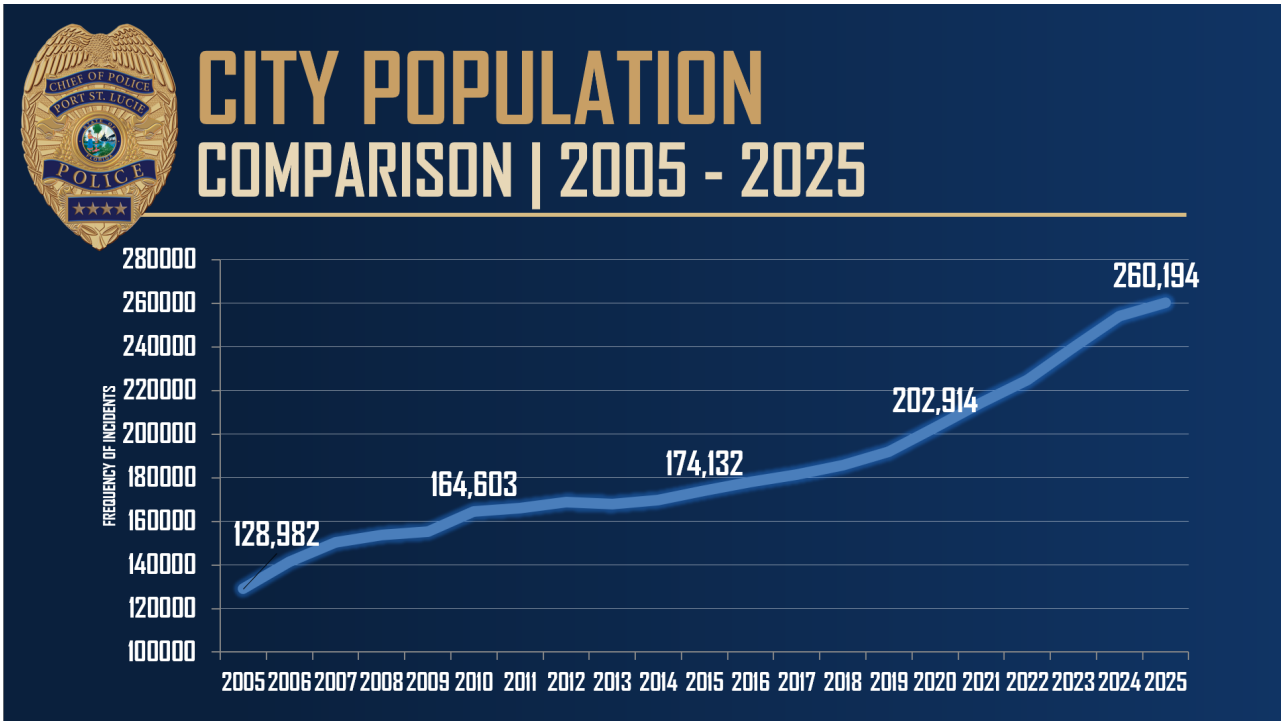
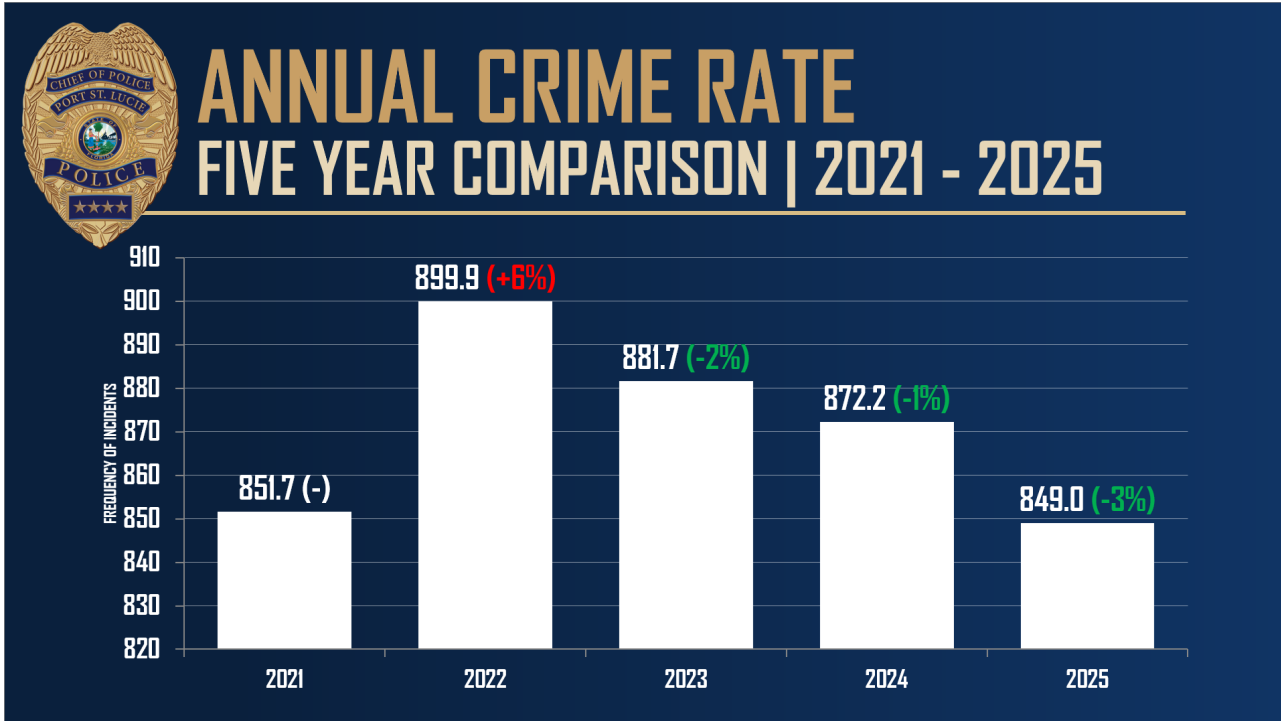
The Criminal Investigations Division (CID) is tasked with investigating crimes that are beyond the capabilities of a patrol officer requiring extensive follow-up. CID is overseen by a Captain and includes **1** Lieutenant and **7** Sergeants responsible for the supervision of **12** Persons Detectives, **13** Property Detectives, **4** Economic Crimes Detectives, **2** Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Detectives, **1** Computer Forensics Detective, **2** Computer Forensics Civilians, **4** Major Crimes Detectives, **8** Civilian Crime Scene Investigators, **3** Civilian Victims’ Advocates and **1** Sex Offender Volunteer.

In past years, the crime rate was tracked via Uniform Crime Rate (UCR) data. Since late June 2024, a new way of collecting crime data called the Florida Incident-Based Reporting System (FIBRS) was implemented in conjunction with the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) managed by the FBI. Since UCR and FIBRS data is not comparable as the data is collected/ counted differently, a crime rate for the full year of 2024 could not be determined.



This report presents a five-year view of crime rates in Port St. Lucie. Beginning in 2024, crime data is reported using NIBRS (the National Incident-Based Reporting System), the FBI’s modern crime reporting standard. Years through 2023 are reported using the older Summary Reporting System (UCR), which agencies nationwide used for decades before the transition to NIBRS.

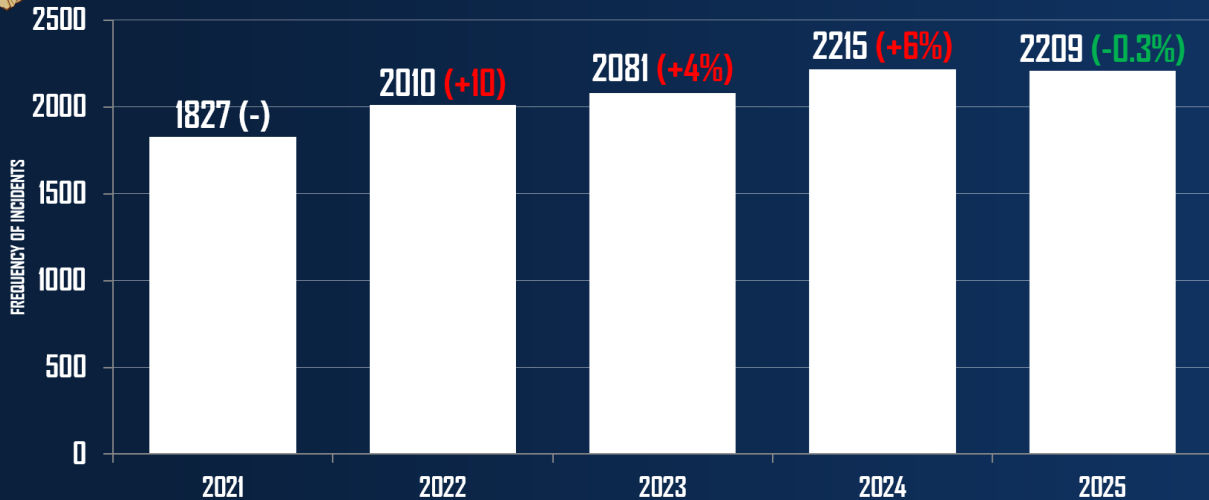
The two systems count crime differently. The older method generally recorded only the most serious offense within an incident, while NIBRS captures each offense individually, along with greater detail about victims and circumstances. Because NIBRS counts every offense in an incident, it naturally reflects a somewhat higher count than the older system would for the same activity. In other words, recent years are measured against a fuller standard, and the trends shown here hold true even though current figures are counted more completely than in years past. Readers should simply note that 2024 marks the point where Port St. Lucie adopted the more detailed national standard.





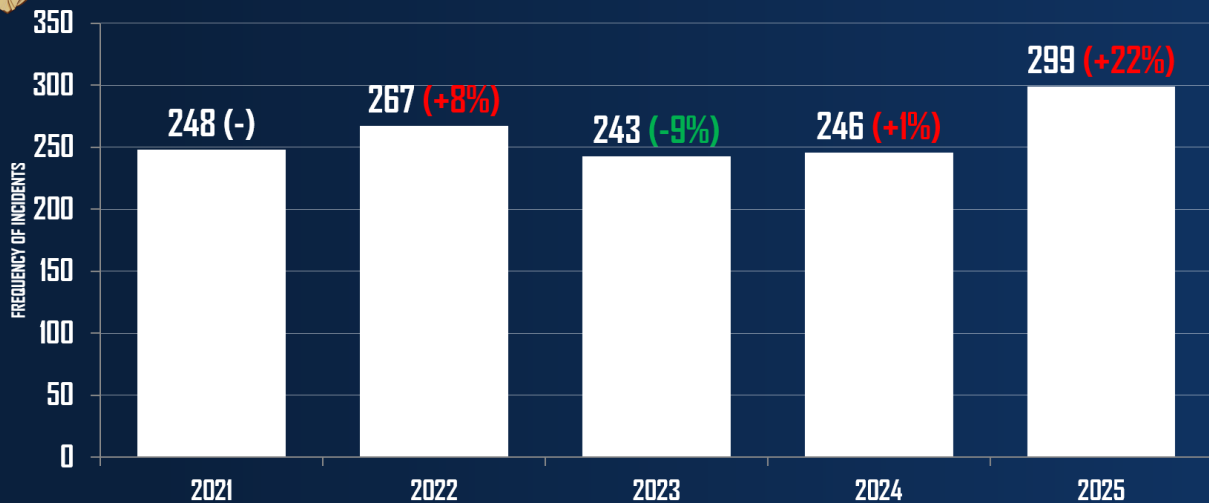
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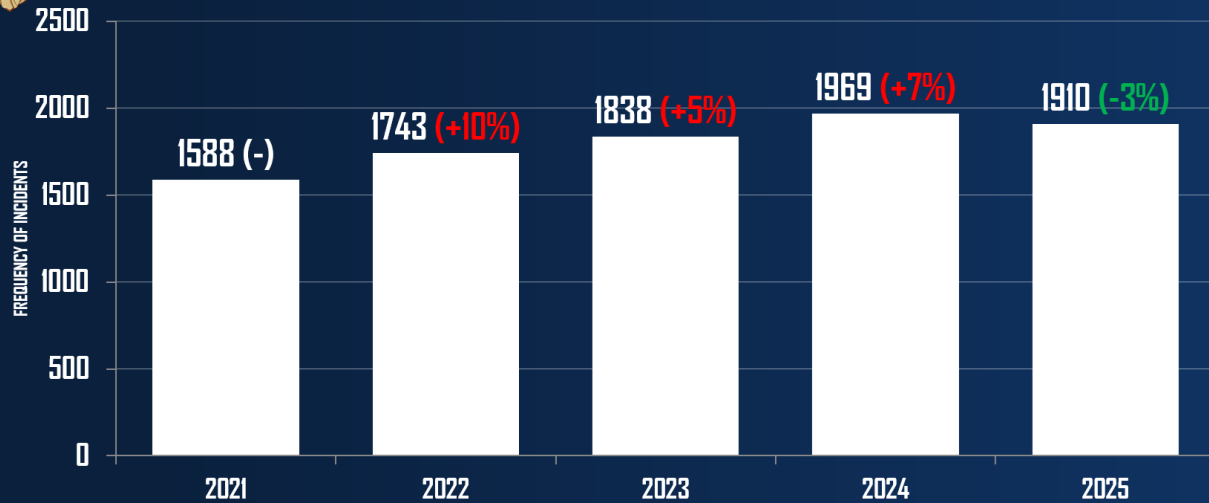
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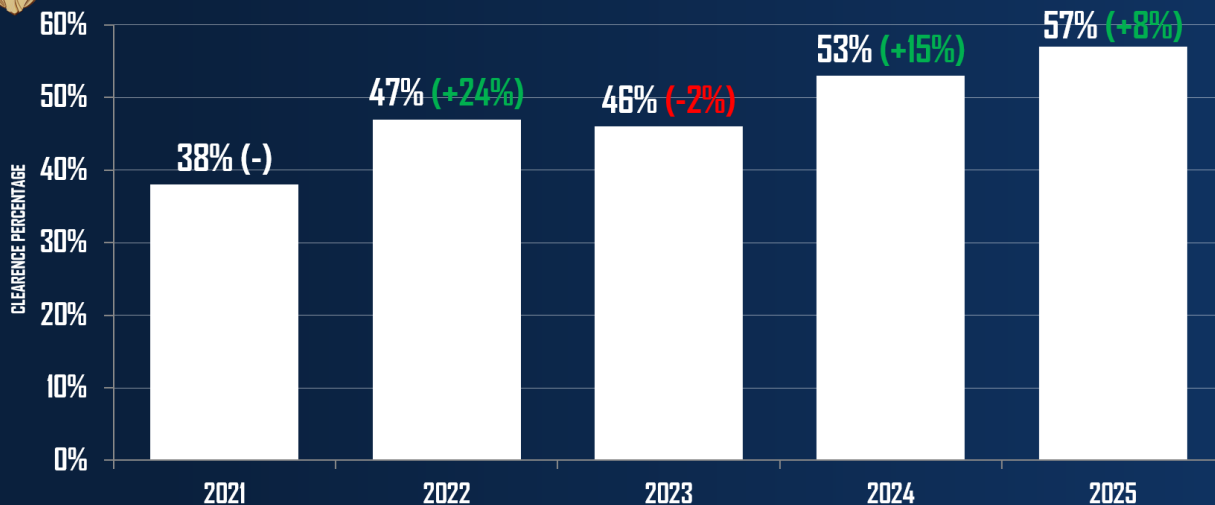
PROPERTY CRIME INCIDENTS

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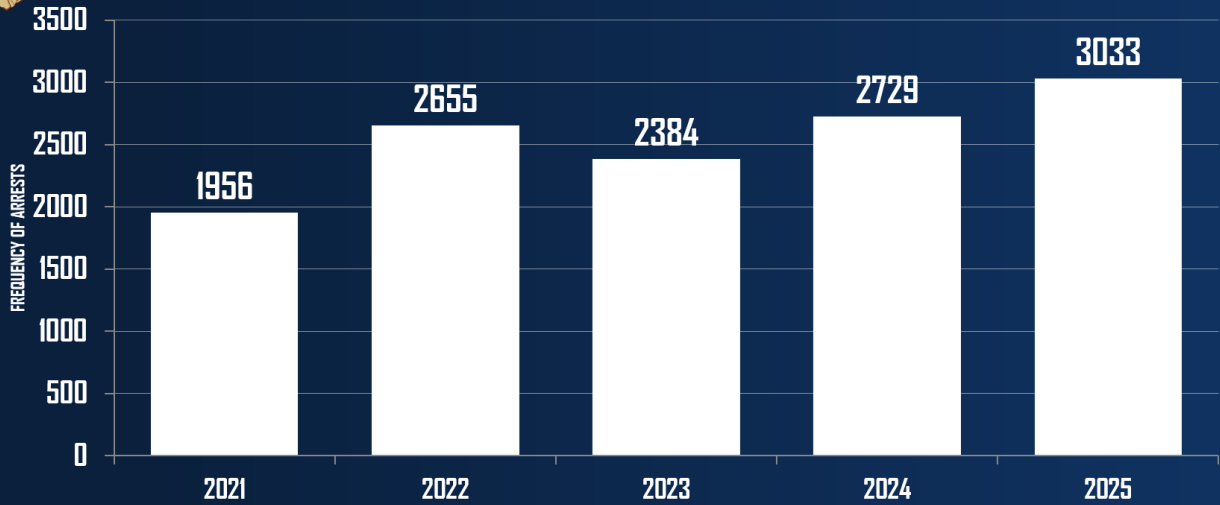
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CITY ARREST DATA

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AWARDS

2025 AWARDS RECIPIENTS PSLPD ANNUAL & QUARTERLY AWARDS

Officer of the Year

Officer Jennifer DiMatteo-Bennett

Detective of the Year

Detective Diane Astrella

Civilian of the Year

Melissa Junjohan

Volunteer of the Year

Dwayne Penning

Officer of the Quarter

1st Quarter:

Officer Brandon Martinez

2nd Quarter:

Officer Jennifer DiMatteo-Bennett

3rd Quarter:

Officer Charles "Danny" Green

4th Quarter:

Officer Stenly Tomczyk

Detective of the Quarter

1st Quarter:

Del. Samantha DiPierro

2nd Quarter:

Detective Angel Vargas

3rd Quarter:

Detective Ivan Dominguez

4th Quarter:

Detective Kacie Rios

Detective Adam Doty

Civilian of the Quarter

1st Quarter:

Crystal Lansing,

Administrative Operations Coordinator

2nd Quarter:

Melissa Jungjohan,

Manager-Police Personnel Liaison

3rd Quarter:

Ivanna Acevedo,

Crime Scene Investigator

4th Quarter:

Nicole Grieve,

Animal Control Community Outreach

Coordinator

Volunteer of the Quarter

1st Quarter:

Robert (Bob) Jurgens

2nd Quarter:

Pamela Estelle

3rd Quarter:

Eleanor Bert

4th Quarter:

Kimberly Penning

Chief Brian E. Reuther

Manager of the Quarter

3rd Quarter:

Sgt. John Fazio

Law Enforcement Purple Heart

Senior Sergeant Erik Levasseur

Public Service Leadership Award

Florida State District 31 Senator Gayle

Harrell

Cross of Valor

Lieutenant Salvador Garcia

PROMOTIONS

Lt. Sheila LaGrega to Captain	Chase Williams to PD Public SVC Specialist II
Lt. James Howie to Captain	Brianne Nasso to Police Grants Manager
Lt. Brian Kenny to Captain	Diana Abril-Mazzio to Police Purchasing Agent
Lt. Brinton Black to Captain	Brittani DaCosta to Polygraphist
Lt. Matthew Cuba to Captain	Carmen Tiena to Records Redaction Supervisor BWC Public Records Request
Rhaelyne Nichols to Civilian Background Investigator	Yolanda Glass to Redaction Coordinator Body Worn Camera
Nicole Grieve to Community Outreach Coordinator	Erika Venazio to Sergeant
Abraham Alvarez to Division Director, Fiscal Management	Matthew Aubert to Sergeant
Emily Burgos to Division Manager, Civilian Operations Division Manager	Adrienne Martella to Sergeant
Jason Vega to Lieutenant	Timothy Herring to Sergeant
Matthew Reynolds to Lieutenant	Buteau Morestant to Sergeant
Sgt. Joshua Saffomilla to Lieutenant	Edward Griffith to Sergeant
Sgt. Aaron Martin to Lieutenant	Dionis Veras to Sergeant
Sgt. Jamie Mastin to Lieutenant	Janet Palmer to Sergeant
Sgt. Christopher D'Angelo to Lieutenant	Constonya Freeman to Sergeant
Sgt. Brian Boice to Lieutenant	Kristin Meyer to Sergeant
Sgt. Danny Herrington to Lieutenant	Nathanial Penney to Sergeant
Sgt. Terry Henkel to Lieutenant	Michael Williams to Sergeant
Sgt. Salvador Garcia to Lieutenant	Michael Oliver to Sergeant
Jennie Salema to Manager, School Crossing Guards	Joseph Rathnam to Sergeant
Gretchen Raziela to Manager, Police Administration	Garrett Smith to Special Projects Coordinator Extra Duty Details
Melissa Delvalle to PD Public SVC Specialist II	Susan Improta to Senior PD Payroll Technician
Jace Johnson to PD Public SVC Specialist II	Jennifer Ledina to Travel Logistics Coordinator
Victoria Haiges to PD Public SVC Specialist II	
Drew Johnson to PD Public SVC Specialist II	

RETIREMENTS

Crime Intelligence Analyst III Michelle Chitole

Records Specialist Denise Marengo

Sergeant Robert Vega

Police Officer Scott Johnson

Detective Paul Griffith

Detective Thomas Nichols

Manager, Crime and Intelligence Analysis Cheryl Davis

Sgt. Charles Lumkin

Capt. Michael Swanchak

Division Director, Civilian Operations William May

RESIGNATIONS

Division Director, Civilian Operations William May

Crime Scene Investigator I Karolina Villeta

Animal Control Officer II Jessica Polychronis

School Crossing Guard Gianna Rivera

Police Officer Sarah Brosteneant

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