

# Omaha Police Department 2012 Annual Report



## **Mission**

The Omaha Police Department, in partnership with our community, provides impartial, ethical, and professional law enforcement service and protection. We strive to maintain the trust and confidence of our citizens while working to improve the quality of life.

## **Vision**

To provide the environment for the Omaha Police Department that results in (1) reduction of crime and fear of crime; (2) maximum efficiency; (3) enhanced customer service; (4) improved public confidence; and (5) personal and professional growth for employees.

## IN MEMORY OF OFFICERS DAWN POLLREIS & RANDY SZEMPLENSKI



**Officer Dawn M. Pollreis**, 47, passed away on Saturday, February 18, 2012, at home with her family after a battle with breast cancer. Dawn was born February 17, 1965 and graduated from Fremont High School in 1983. She served as a deputy with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office prior to joining the Omaha Police Department, where she served for the last 19 years of her life. During her career with the Omaha Police Department, Dawn worked in all four quadrants of the city. Her last assignment was in the Criminal Investigations Bureau's Major Crimes Unit. Dawn is survived by her husband of 11 years, one daughter (and her husband), two sons, parents, her sister (and her husband), two nephews, and many other relatives and friends.

**Officer Randy L. Szemplenski**, 50, passed away on Wednesday, November 14, 2012 after battling cancer. Randy began his career with the Omaha Police Department on March 13, 1989, and served the citizens of Omaha for 23 years eight months. Randy worked his entire career on C-Shift. In the mid-1990s, he was assigned to the Criminal Investigations Bureau, and he also served on the Emergency Response Unit for several years. His last assignment was in the Uniform Patrol Bureau's Southwest Precinct. Randy is survived by his wife and nine children.

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## Omaha Information

With a population of 421,570, the City of Omaha anchors an eight-county Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) that includes Cass, Douglas, Sarpy, Saunders and Washington counties in Nebraska, and Harrison, Mills and Pottawattamie counties in Iowa. The Omaha MSA has a population of 865,350, and more than 1.2 million people live within a 60-minute drive of the City of Omaha.

White.....	73.1%
Black.....	13.7%
American Indian/Alaska Native.....	0.8%
Asian.....	2.4%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander.....	0.1%
Two or more races.....	3.0%
Hispanic or Latino.....	13.1%
White non-Hispanic.....	68.0%

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Northeast Precinct.....	402-444-6916
Northwest Precinct.....	402-444-3765
Southeast Precinct.....	402-444-4041
Southwest Precinct.....	402-444-6116



The Omaha Police Department is an internationally accredited law enforcement agency that meets the high standards of the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies.

\*This report was compiled and edited by the Omaha Police Department Research & Planning Unit.

# Chief's Message



Thank you for your interest in the Omaha Police Department's 2012 Annual Report.

We are a progressive police department made up of a diverse group of nearly one thousand men and women, both sworn and non-sworn, who work to keep Omaha a safe and family-friendly city.

We strive to be responsive to our citizens, and it is my belief that there is a shared responsibility between the community and the police department to work together to reduce crime and improve the quality of life in our great city. To accomplish this, we deploy a community policing philosophy coupled with a neighborhood problem solving approach. This reflects our commitment to reducing crime and disorder citywide by focusing on unique neighborhood crime problems and solutions.

This report includes information explaining the day-to-day activities and accomplishments of the Omaha Police Department during the year 2012. Specifically, you will find sections regarding the agency's budget, sworn and non-sworn employees of the month, crime statistics, activities of individual units and squads, promotions and retirements, and a section dedicated to the memory of current and former employees who passed away during the year.

I invite you to explore the information in this report, and encourage you to contact the Omaha Police Department if we can be of any service to you.

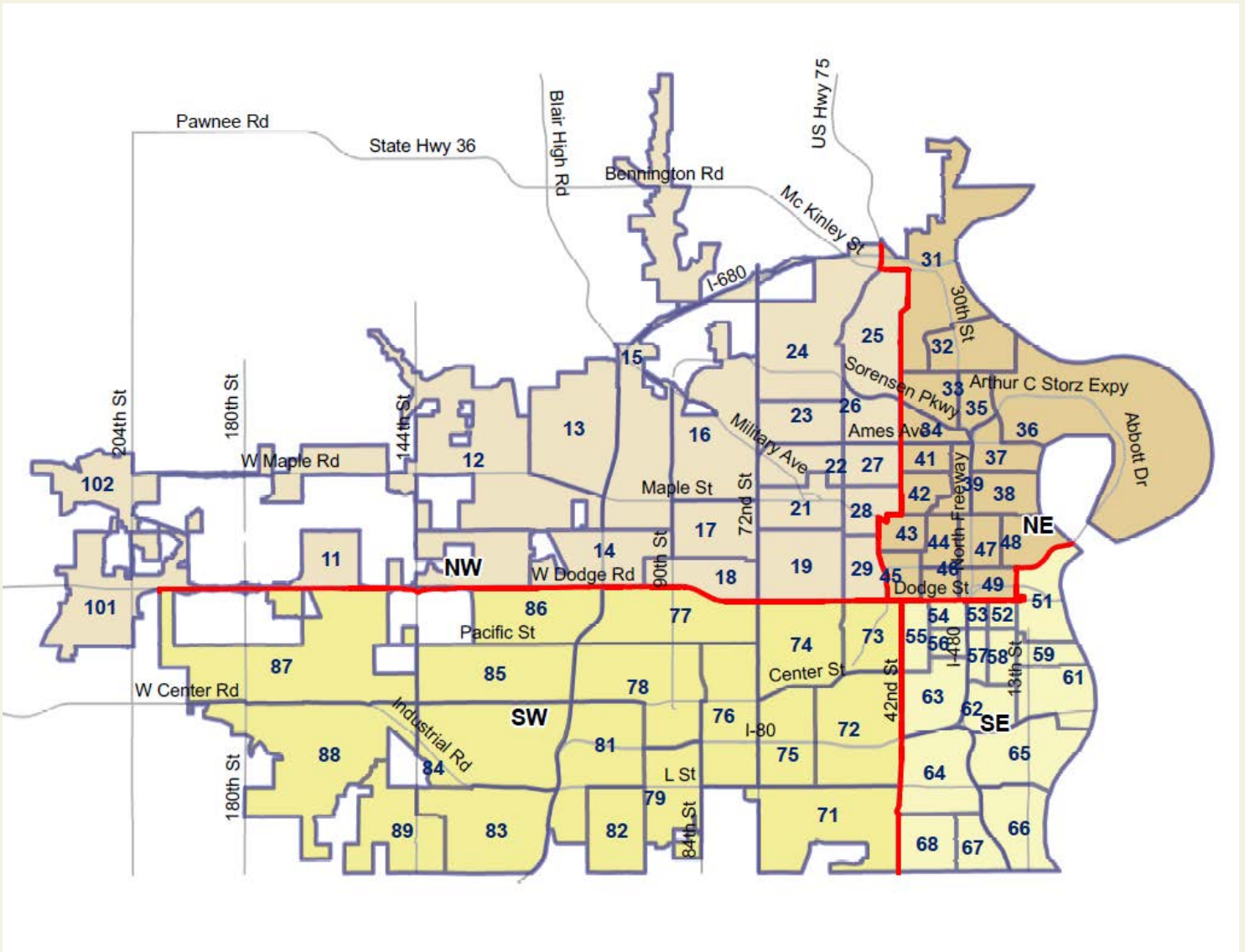
Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Todd R. Schmaderer". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Todd R. Schmaderer  
Chief of Police

# Jurisdiction Map

The Omaha Police Department divides its jurisdiction into four precincts and 73 patrol districts. Precinct quadrants are generally separated by Dodge Street (east-west) and 42<sup>nd</sup> Street (north-south). The Northeast Precinct includes 18 patrol districts, the Northwest Precinct includes 20 patrol districts, the Southeast Precinct includes 17 patrol districts, and the Southwest Precinct includes 18 patrol districts.



# Executive Command Staff



**Todd R. Schmaderer**  
Chief of Police



**Deputy Chief David Baker**  
Uniform Patrol Bureau



**Deputy Chief Mary Newman**  
Criminal Investigations Bureau



**Dep. Chief M. Elizabeth Davis**  
Police Services Bureau

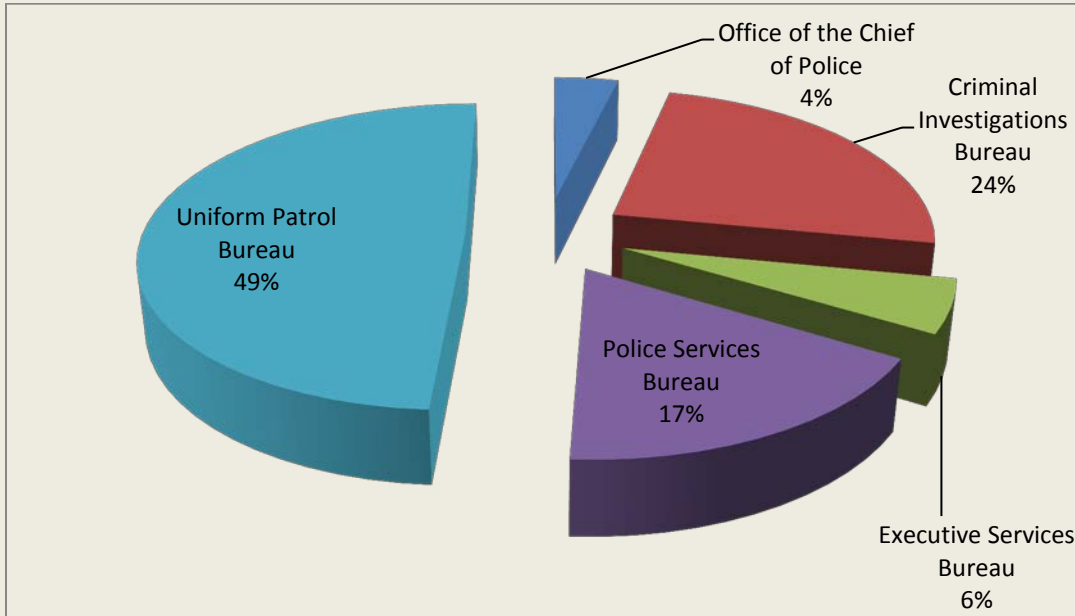


**Deputy Chief Greg Gonzalez**  
Executive Services Bureau

# Budget Appropriations Summary

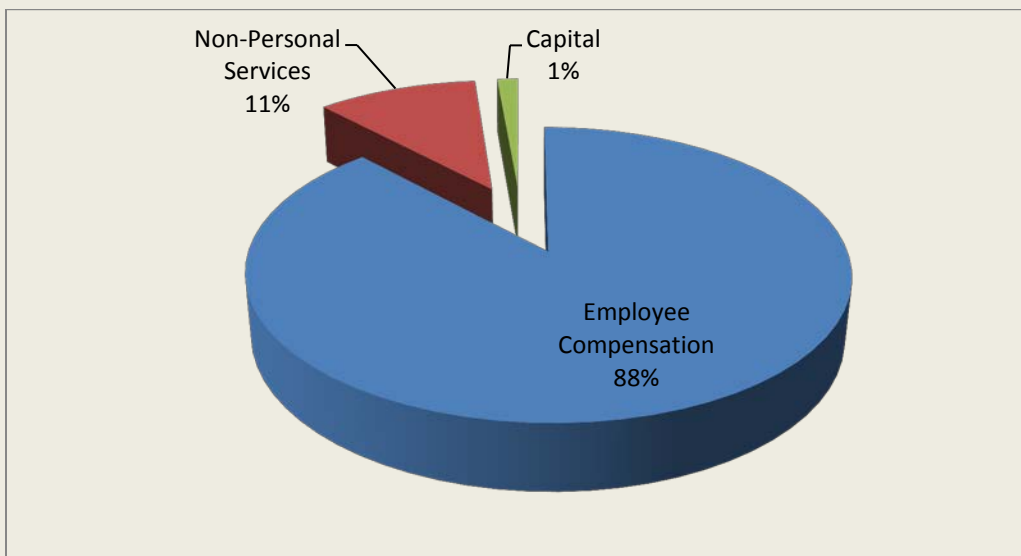
## 2012 Appropriations by Bureau

Office of the Chief of Police	\$4,479,650
Criminal Investigations Bureau	\$28,648,481
Executive Services Bureau	\$6,534,280
Police Services Bureau	\$20,430,167
Uniform Patrol Bureau	\$57,923,765
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$118,016,343</b>



## 2012 Appropriations by Category

Employee Compensation	\$103,936,840
Non-Personal Services	\$12,459,503
Capital	\$1,620,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$118,016,343</b>



By Department	Positions		Funding		
	2011	2012	2011 Appropriated	2012 Recommended	2012 Appropriated
Office of the Police Chief	-	-	2,968,247	4,479,650	4,479,650
Criminal Investigations Bureau	-	-	24,878,228	28,648,481	28,648,481
Executive Services Bureau	-	-	5,922,434	6,534,280	6,534,280
Police Services Bureau	-	-	19,987,590	20,151,851	20,430,167
Uniform Patrol Bureau	-	-	58,859,597	56,909,831	57,923,765
<b>Total</b>	<b>963</b>	<b>981</b>	<b>112,616,096</b>	<b>116,724,093</b>	<b>118,016,343</b>
<b>By Expenditures Category</b>					
Employee Compensation			100,547,400	102,922,250	103,936,840
Non-Personal Services			11,843,696	12,181,843	12,459,503
Capital			225,000	1,620,000	1,620,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>112,616,096</b>	<b>116,724,093</b>	<b>118,016,343</b>
<b>By Source of Funds</b>					
2006 Public Facilities			-	183,000	183,000
2006 Public Safety			-	275,000	275,000
2010 Public Facilities			225,000	92,000	92,000
2010 Public Safety			-	170,000	170,000
Advanced Acquisition			-	900,000	900,000
General			111,915,096	114,628,093	115,920,343
Keno/Lottery Proceeds			476,000	476,000	476,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>112,616,096</b>	<b>116,724,093</b>	<b>118,016,343</b>



# Appropriations Summary by Division

Department	Police
Division	Office of the Police Chief

Organization Description and Major Object Summary	Comparative Budget Appropriations			
	2010 Actual	2011 Appropriated	2012 Recommended	2012 Appropriated

## Chief Administrative Functions

The Chief of Police commands the overall operations of the Department and receives support from the Public Information Office, the Internal Affairs Unit, and the Executive Services Bureau. The Chief of Police is responsible for determining Departmental policies and for ensuring the complete discharge of all duties imposed upon him/her. The Chief of Police is a Department Head under Sections 3.07, 3.11 of the Omaha Charter and reports directly to the Mayor.

## Internal Affairs

The Internal Affairs Unit reports directly to the Chief of Police and investigates citizen and internal complaints.

## Public Information Office

The Public Information Office coordinates dissemination of information to the news media and manages the Crime Stoppers Program.

Employee Compensation	2,951,460	2,443,347	2,714,211	2,714,211
Non-Personal Services	300,530	299,900	145,439	145,439
<b>Organization Total</b>	<b>3,251,990</b>	<b>2,743,247</b>	<b>2,859,650</b>	<b>2,859,650</b>

## Police Capital

Non-Personal Services	763	-	-	-
Capital	-	225,000	1,620,000	1,620,000
<b>Organization Total</b>	<b>763</b>	<b>225,000</b>	<b>1,620,000</b>	<b>1,620,000</b>

<b>Division Total</b>	<b>3,252,753</b>	<b>2,968,247</b>	<b>4,479,650</b>	<b>4,479,650</b>
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Department      Police  
 Division        Criminal Investigations Bureau

Organization Description and Major Object Summary	Comparative Budget Appropriations			
	2010 Actual	2011 Appropriated	2012 Recommended	2012 Appropriated

**CIB Administrative Functions      114231**

The Criminal Investigations Bureau (CIB) is commanded by a Deputy Chief and conducts 24 hour investigations into crimes. The Criminal Investigations Bureau is comprised of (1) the Criminal Investigations Section, and (2) the Special Operations Section. A Captain commands each of the Sections. A CIB Administrative Sergeant provides support.

**Criminal Investigations Section**

The Criminal Investigations Section (CIS) is comprised of the North Investigations Unit, South Investigations Unit, Major Crimes Unit, Homicide Unit, Special Victims Unit, Crime Lab Unit, and Crime Analysis Unit. A Captain commands this Section. All Units within this Section are commanded by a Lieutenant.

**Special Operations Section**

The Special Operations Section (SOS) is comprised of the Narcotics Unit, Gang Unit, and Emergency Response Unit. This Section provides 24-hour services to police field operations. A Captain commands this Section. All Units within this Section are commanded by a Lieutenant.

**Crime Lab Unit**

The Crime Lab provides evidence collection and preservation support to police field operations. The Crime Lab includes Evidence/Property.

**Evidence/Property**

Evidence/Property provides secure storage for evidence recovered during the investigation of crimes/crime scenes.

**Emergency Response Unit**

The Emergency Response Unit (ERU) provides services requiring special equipment, weapons, tactics, and training. This unit is deployed for hostage/barricade situations, high-risk warrant service, and dignitary protection. This unit consists of the Bomb Response Squad, which handles all called-for-services involving actual or suspected explosive devices, and the Bomb Dog Squad.

**Major Crimes Unit**

The Major Crimes Unit consists of the Major Crimes Squad, Fraud Squad, and Field Investigations Squad.

**Homicide Unit**

The Homicide Unit investigates all criminal homicides, as well as felony assaults. The Homicide Unit also maintains a cold case file of unsolved homicides requiring additional information. The Cold Case/Felony Assault Squad is part of the Homicide Unit.

**Special Victims Unit**

The Special Victims Unit is comprised of the Child Victim/Sexual Assault Squad, the Domestic Violence Squad, and the Missing Persons Squad. This Unit provides services to victims.

**Child Victim/Sexual Assault**

The Child Victim/Sexual Assault Squad works with children and the elderly who are victims of crime, as well as victims of domestic violence. All vulnerable adult cases are handled here as well.

**Gang Unit**

The Gang Unit is comprised of North Gang Suppression Squad, South Gang Suppression Squad, Gang Intelligence Squad, Fugitive Squad, and the Firearms Squad.

**Narcotics Unit**

The Narcotics Unit conducts specialized investigations. This unit is comprised of the Narcotics Squad, Intelligence Squad, and Special Operations/Vice Squad.

Department	Police
Division	Criminal Investigations Bureau

Organization Description and Major Object Summary	Comparative Budget Appropriations			
	2010 Actual	2011 Appropriated	2012 Recommended	2012 Appropriated
<b><u>Crime Analysis Unit</u></b>				
The Crime Analysis Unit provides crime data and trends to the department and provides crime data for weekly CompStat meetings. This unit also investigates pawn related crimes, as well as high profile trends in crimes. This unit consists of the Administrative Squad, Pawn Squad, Crime Analysis Squad, and High Profile Crimes Squad.				
<b><u>North Investigations Unit</u></b>				
The North Investigations Unit investigates crime committed north of Dodge Street, in both the eastern and western sectors of the City. Investigated crime includes robbery, burglary, auto theft, and assaults.				
<b><u>South Investigations Unit</u></b>				
The South Investigations Unit investigates crime committed south of Dodge Street, in both the eastern and western sectors of the City. Investigated crime includes robbery, burglary, auto theft, and assaults.				
Employee Compensation	22,549,622	24,582,578	28,330,231	28,330,231
Non-Personal Services	3,835,489	295,650	318,250	318,250
<b>Organization Total</b>	<b>26,385,111</b>	<b>24,878,228</b>	<b>28,648,481</b>	<b>28,648,481</b>
<b>Division Total</b>	<b>26,385,111</b>	<b>24,878,228</b>	<b>28,648,481</b>	<b>28,648,481</b>

Department      Police  
 Division        Executive Services Bureau

Organization Description and Major Object Summary	Comparative Budget Appropriations			
	2010 Actual	2011 Appropriated	2012 Recommended	2012 Appropriated
<b>Exec Officer Admin Function      112111</b>				
The Executive Services Bureau (ESB) is commanded by a Deputy Chief who serves as the senior staff administrative officer, assisting the Office of the Chief of Police. The Executive Services Bureau includes the Professional Standards Section.				
<b>Professional Standards Section</b>				
The Professional Standards Section is comprised of the Training Unit, Neighborhood Services Unit, Backgrounds Unit, and Research and Planning. This Section is also responsible for additional duties assigned by the ESB Deputy Chief. A Captain commands the Professional Standards Section.				
<b>Neighborhood Services Unit</b>				
The Neighborhood Services Unit provides assistance to the public on problem resolution and prevention programs. A Lieutenant commands the Neighborhood Services Unit.				
<b>Backgrounds Unit</b>				
The Backgrounds Unit is responsible for conducting background investigations on police applicants and verifying their qualifications in order to forecast future job performance. Other background investigations may be conducted for other units or departments as ordered by the ESB Deputy Chief. Volunteer Services is also assigned to the Backgrounds Unit and is responsible for coordinating Department-wide volunteer and intern activities. A Lieutenant commands the Backgrounds Unit.				
<b>Training Unit</b>				
The Training Unit provides both a Basic Recruit Academy for new recruit officers, maintains continuing education courses for all sworn officers, and coordinates all training for non-sworn members of the Department. A Lieutenant commands the Training Unit.				
<b>Research &amp; Planning</b>				
Research and Planning (R&P) is responsible for updating the Standard Operating Procedures of the Department, the compilation of the Annual Report, and the drafting of General Orders. R&P is also responsible for policy and legislative research for policy review, grant writing and grant management, representation at community policy meetings and steering committees, and the coordination of the accreditation process. Research and Planning reports to the Professional Standards Section Captain.				
Employee Compensation	5,628,312	5,688,784	6,194,782	6,194,782
Non-Personal Services	137,748	233,650	339,498	339,498
<b>Organization Total</b>	<b>5,766,060</b>	<b>5,922,434</b>	<b>6,534,280</b>	<b>6,534,280</b>
<b>Division Total</b>	<b>5,766,060</b>	<b>5,922,434</b>	<b>6,534,280</b>	<b>6,534,280</b>

Department	Police
Division	Police Services Bureau

Organization Description and Major Object Summary	Comparative Budget Appropriations			
	2010 Actual	2011 Appropriated	2012 Recommended	2012 Appropriated

**PSB Admin Functions** 113111

The Police Services Bureau (PSB) is commanded by a Deputy Chief and provides support services to the Department. The Police Services Bureau is comprised of (1) the Administrative Information Section; (2) the Support Services Section; (3) the Air Support Unit; and (4) the Information Technology Office. The functions of Fiscal Affairs, which include the responsibility for monitoring Departmental expenditures and for managing the fiscal affairs of the Department through annual strategic budgeting processes, falls directly under the PSB Deputy Chief. The Sections are commanded by Captains and report directly to the PSB Deputy Chief. The Air Support Unit, and the Information Technology Office also report directly to the PSB Deputy Chief.

**Risk Management/Inspections Unit**

The Risk Management/Inspections Unit is assigned tasks by the Chief of Police to analyze and minimize organizational risk. The Unit includes a Risk Management Sergeant and an Inspections Sergeant. The Unit also makes announced and unannounced inspections of all work areas under the control of the Department. The Unit is under the command of a Lieutenant and reports directly to the Support Services Section Captain.

**Human Resources**

Human Resources provides a variety of service and support functions, including coordinating hiring and personnel actions, applying rules of labor contracts and the Omaha Municipal Code in areas relevant to human resources, and managing payroll and timekeeping functions. Human Resources is managed by an Office Manager.

**Administrative Information Section**

The Administrative Information Section (AIS) provides specialized support services to the Department. This Section consists of Fleet/Facilities, Records, Data Center, and the Vehicle Impound Facility. A Captain commands the Administrative Information Section.

**Data Center**

The Data Center provides information, via radio, to police personnel and is responsible for inputting crime reports, citations, and NCIC entries into the appropriate systems. The Telephone Report Squad also reports to the Data Center. The Telephone Report Squad is responsible for taking reports from the public and entering them into the Department's computer system. The Data Center is managed by an Office Manager.

**Support Services Section**

Provides informational and specific support services to the Department. This Section consists of the Customer Services Unit, Human Resources, Police Supply, and the Risk Management/Inspections Unit. A Captain commands the Support Services Section.

**Police Supply**

Police Supply manages the Department's Quartermaster System, along with the requisition, storage, and distribution of office supplies. Police Supply also coordinates the repair of damaged equipment, administers a petty cash fund, and processes invoices and payment vouchers. Police Supply reports directly to the Support Services Section.

**Fleet/Facilities**

The Fleet/Facilities function procures services and maintains the Department's vehicles and facilities. These activities are managed by the Fleet/Facilities Coordinator.

Department	Police
Division	Police Services Bureau

Organization Description and Major Object Summary	Comparative Budget Appropriations			
	2010 Actual	2011 Appropriated	2012 Recommended	2012 Appropriated

**Vehicle Impound Facility**

The Vehicle Impound Facility provides for towing and disposal of abandoned and wrecked vehicles. After the proper holding period, unclaimed vehicles are auctioned to private entities. It also administers the contract with the accident and violations tow vendor. The Vehicle Impound Facility is managed by the Vehicle Impound Lot Manager.

**Records**

Records maintains the Department's Central Records System, to include scanning, filing, and disseminating of reports and criminal history information. Records is managed by the Administrative Information Manager.

**Customer Service Unit**

The Customer Service Unit provides a variety of services and support functions, to include the receiving and processing of incoming telephone calls, handling inquiries from the public, and taking walk-in reports. The Court Liaison Squad falls under this Unit. The Customer Services Unit is commanded by a Lieutenant.

**Air Support Unit**

The Air Support Unit provides aerial surveillance support. The use of aircraft provides enhanced officer safety, hastened response times, and a powerful level of observation that is augmented by thermal-imaging capability. The Air Support Unit is commanded by a Lieutenant and reports directly to the PSB Deputy Chief.

**Information Technology Office**

Information Technology Office (ITO) ensures proper maintenance and new development of the Department's Information Technology Systems, including the Law Records Management System (LRMS), Mobile Data Computers, IT infrastructure, and all WEB-based applications. The ITO also acts as the Department Liaison with all outside technology vendors and Douglas County 911. The Information Technology Office reports directly to the PSB Deputy Chief.

Employee Compensation	9,248,989	9,234,466	9,134,586	9,230,242
Non-Personal Services	5,355,060	10,753,124	11,017,265	11,199,925
<b>Organization Total</b>	<b>14,604,049</b>	<b>19,987,590</b>	<b>20,151,851</b>	<b>20,430,167</b>

Upon adoption of the 2012 budget the City Council approved an annexation package that increased Employee Compensation by \$95,656 and Non-Personal Services by \$182,660.

<b>Division Total</b>	<b>14,604,049</b>	<b>19,987,590</b>	<b>20,151,851</b>	<b>20,430,167</b>
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Department	Police
Division	Uniform Patrol Bureau

Organization Description and Major Object Summary	Comparative Budget Appropriations			
	2010 Actual	2011 Appropriated	2012 Recommended	2012 Appropriated

**UPB Administrative Functions 114211**

The Uniform Patrol Bureau (UPB) is commanded by a Deputy Chief and is divided into four Uniform Patrol Precincts: Northwest, Northeast, Southeast, and Southwest. The Uniform Patrol Bureau provides 24-hour general police services to the public. These services include uniform patrol, response to calls-for-service, law enforcement, and problem resolution. A Captain commands each Precinct.

**Northwest Precinct**

**Northeast Precinct**

**Southeast Precinct**

**Southwest Precinct**

The Traffic Unit falls under the Southwest Precinct.

**Traffic Unit**

The Traffic Unit provides 24-hour specialized traffic accident investigation, selective traffic enforcement, special event services, and dual-purpose canine and equestrian patrol services. The Canine Squad and Mounted Patrol Squad are assigned to the Traffic Unit under the command of the Traffic Unit Lieutenant, assigned to the Southwest Precinct.

**Canine Squad**

The Canine Squad assists in calls for service, investigations, traffic enforcement, criminal interdiction, narcotics detection, evidence recovery, building searches, patrol routes, radio calls, traffic control and public appearances.

**Mounted Patrol Squad**

The Mounted Patrol Squad assists with calls for service, traffic and crowd control, traffic enforcement, dignitary and security escorts, search and rescue missions, and public relations.

Employee Compensation	50,373,027	58,598,225	56,548,440	57,467,374
Non-Personal Services	906,736	261,372	361,391	456,391
<b>Organization Total</b>	<b>51,279,763</b>	<b>58,859,597</b>	<b>56,909,831</b>	<b>57,923,765</b>

The Traffic Unit falls under the Southwest Precinct.

Upon adoption of the 2012 budget the City Council approved an annexation package that increased Employee Compensation by \$690,476 and Non-Personal Services by \$20,000. In a separate Resolution the City Council also increased Employee Compensation by \$228,458 and Non-Personal Services by \$75,000.

<b>Division Total</b>	<b>51,279,763</b>	<b>58,859,597</b>	<b>56,909,831</b>	<b>57,923,765</b>
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Department      Police  
 Division        Office of the Police Chief

<b>Performance Measures</b>	<b>2010 Actual</b>	<b>2011 Planned</b>	<b>2012 Goal</b>
<u>Air Wing</u>			
Assists per Flight Hour	1.4	1.5	1.5
<u>Crime Lab</u>			
Latent Prints Identified/Latent Prints Developed	63%	63%	63%
Pieces of Evidence Processed per Year	39717	40,000	40,000
<u>Injured on Duty (IOD)/Sick leave Tracking</u>			
% of Authorized Sworn Officers Available for Normal Duty	94.7%	97%	97%
Number of IOD Officers per Sworn Staff	29	29	25
<u>Part I Crimes</u>			
Aggravated Assault	1312		
Aggravated Assault - % Change	5%	+/- 0%	+/- 0%
Aggravated Assault - Clearance	63%		
Burglary	3046		
Burglary - % Change	-6%	+/- 0%	+/- 0%
Burglary - Clearance	9%		
Criminal Homicide	34		
Criminal Homicide - % Change	13%	+/- 0%	+/- 0%
Criminal Homicide - Clearance	32%		
Forcible Rape	196		
Forcible Rape - % Change	2%	+/- 0%	+/- 0%
Forcible Rape - Clearance	42%		
Larceny - Theft	12091		
Larceny - Theft - % Change	-7%	+/- 0%	+/- 0%
Larceny - Theft - Clearance	31%		
Motor Vehicle Theft	2197		
Motor Vehicle Theft - % Change	3%	+/- 0%	+/- 0%
Motor Vehicle Theft - Clearance	17%		
Robbery	723		
Robbery - % Change	-19%	+/- 0%	+/- 0%
Robbery - Clearance	43%		
<u>Problem-Oriented Community Policing</u>			
Calls for Service per Day	630	630	630
Community Precinct Meetings per Precinct	123	123	123
Officer initiated Traffic Stops	48591	48,000	48,000
<u>Response to Priority 1 Citizen Calls</u>			
Average Response Time	0:06:33	0:06:30	0:06:30
<u>Telephone Response Unit (TRS)</u>			
% of Low Priority Calls Received by 911 and Diverted to TRS	10%	10%	10%
Reports Taken per Police Information Operator I	1488	1,500	1,500
Time per Report (mins.)	50 min.	50 min.	50 min.



# Summary of Personal Services

Department      Police  
 Division        Police Sworn

Class Title	Class Code	Comparative Budget Appropriations					
		2010 Actual	2011 Auth.	2012 Recommended		2012 Appropriated	
Police Chief	2730	1	1	1	133,271	1	133,271
Deputy Police Chief	2710	4	4	4	464,380	4	464,380
Police Captain	9070	9	7	9	920,826	9	920,826
Police Lieutenant	9050	31	31	31	2,692,670	31	2,692,670
Police Sergeant	9030	104	104	104	7,989,205	104	7,989,205
Police Sergeant	9030D	1	-	1	78,817	1	78,817
Police Officer	9010	633	594	626	40,384,991	626	40,384,991
Police Officer	9010D	4	-	4	284,208	28	1,464,433
Police Officer - PB	9005	-	48	-	-	-	-
Part-Time and Seasonal					69,202		69,202
Overtime					2,128,227		2,128,227
Longevity					999,274		999,274
Attrition					-		(930,338)
Reimbursements					677,289		677,289
College Incentive					549,992		549,992
Holiday Pay					924,452		924,452
Court Pay					631,576		631,576
Call In Pay					450,000		450,000
FLSA Pay					59,625		59,625
Annual & Sick Lv Bal Payoff					757,512		757,512
Compensated Time Payoff					116,298		116,298
Speciality Pay					1,636,025		1,636,025
Other Pay					87,000		87,000
<b>Department Total</b>		<b>787</b>	<b>789</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>62,034,840</b>	<b>804</b>	<b>62,284,727</b>

## Explanatory Comments:

Upon adoption of the 2012 budget, the City Council approved a budget resolution that increased the Police Sworn complement by 15 in the fourth quarter of 2012. Total additional dollars allocated are \$220,458, which represents the cost of 15 officers for a total of 5 pay periods in 2012.

Also included in the 2012 budget are an additional 9 officers as a result of the 2011 annexation package. Salaries and benefits for the additional 9 officers are included for the entire year.

Department      Police  
 Division          Police Civilian

Class Title	Class Code	Comparative Budget Appropriations					
		2010 Actual	2011 Auth.	2012 Recommended		2012 Appropriated	
Community Liaison	9521	1	1	1	52,578	1	52,578
Information Systems Manager	0080	-	-	-	-	1	70,539
Administrative Information Manager	0245	1	1	1	79,512	1	79,512
Grant Administrator	0450	-	2	-	-	-	-
Crime Laboratory Manager	2245	2	1	1	71,628	1	71,628
Applications Analyst	0235	1	1	1	70,941	1	70,941
Impound Lot Manager	0200	1	1	1	71,628	1	71,628
City Maintenance Supervisor	2130	1	1	1	70,252	1	70,252
Office Manager	0070	2	2	2	128,952	2	128,952
Crime Analysis Supervisor	0160	1	1	1	65,107	1	65,107
Criminalist	2240	3	3	3	181,466	3	181,466
Crime Analyst	2250	5	5	5	295,350	5	295,350
Training Specialist - Academy	0265	-	1	1	45,603	1	45,603
Research and Planning Specialist	0165	2	2	2	107,052	2	107,052
Grant Writer	0185	-	-	1	45,603	1	45,603
Executive Secretary	0030	1	1	1	53,175	1	53,175
Office Supervisor	0050	1	1	1	52,661	1	52,661
Fleet and Facilities Coordinator	0175	1	1	1	51,199	1	51,199
Coordinator of Volunteers	0170	-	1	1	41,104	1	41,104
Crime Prevention Specialist	0155	4	4	4	181,985	4	181,985
Gang Specialist	0195	-	-	1	41,029	1	41,029
Aviation Mechanic	6395	2	2	2	112,263	2	112,263
Senior Crime Laboratory Technician	5615	7	8	8	442,724	8	442,724
Crime Laboratory Technician	5605	4	10	12	521,484	12	521,484
Storekeeper II	5432	1	1	1	45,178	1	45,178
Crime Laboratory Trainee	5595	19	2	-	-	-	-
Police Information Operator II	5150	4	5	5	201,128	5	201,128
Police Information Operator I	5140	25	38	38	1,405,644	38	1,405,644
Automotive Equipment Operator I	6310	5	5	5	185,930	5	185,930
Storekeeper I	5430	4	5	5	189,844	5	189,844
Senior Clerk	5040	1	1	1	37,794	1	37,794
Secretary I	5110	15	20	20	679,524	20	679,524
Information Services Technician	5135	9	10	10	350,295	10	350,295
Clerk Typist II	5080	19	29	29	879,113	29	879,113
Clerk Typist II - Grant	9416G	-	-	2	52,910	2	52,910
Stablehand	6115	1	1	1	32,968	1	32,968
Administrative Assistant III	3060	4	4	4	186,120	4	186,120
Senior Administrative Clerk	3030	2	2	2	76,902	2	76,902
Administrative Assistant I	3040	1	1	1	37,544	1	37,544
Part-Time and Seasonal					1,633,003		1,640,434
Overtime					190,002		190,002
Longevity					51,052		51,052
Attrition					(1,119,253)		(1,119,253)
Reimbursements					(2,168,424)		(2,168,424)
Holiday Pay					360,004		360,004
Court Pay					80,972		80,972

Department      Police  
 Division        Police Civilian

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Class Title	Class Code	Comparative Budget Appropriations					
		2010 Actual	2011 Auth.	2012 Recommended	2012 Appropriated		
<b>Department Total</b>		<b>150</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>6,171,546</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>6,249,516</b>

**Explanatory Comments:**

Upon adoption of the 2012 budget the City Council approved an annexation package and a budget resolution that increased Employee Compensation. An Information Systems Manager was added to the civilian complement, and the allocation for part-time was increased.

# Summary of Major Object Expenditures

Department      Police  
 Division         Police

Major Object Expenditures	Comparative Budget Appropriations			
	2010 Actual	2011 Appropriated	2012 Recommended	2012 Appropriated
<b>Employee Earnings</b>				
Classified Regular	60,550,631	64,410,682	65,746,014	66,996,778
Part-Time and Seasonal	2,582,728	1,754,604	1,702,205	1,709,636
Overtime	2,823,641	1,868,229	2,318,229	2,318,229
Longevity	911,697	712,083	1,050,326	1,050,326
Attrition	-	(582,650)	(1,119,253)	(2,049,591)
Reimbursements	(1,496,420)	(1,189,491)	(1,491,135)	(1,491,135)
<b>Total Employee Earnings</b>	<b>65,372,277</b>	<b>66,973,457</b>	<b>68,206,386</b>	<b>68,534,243</b>
<b>Employee Benefits</b>				
FICA	1,408,089	1,579,036	1,590,235	1,613,313
Pension	13,659,151	19,546,368	21,430,470	21,830,261
Insurance	10,371,360	12,951,018	12,330,682	12,654,057
Reimbursements	(352,072)	(502,479)	(635,523)	(695,034)
<b>Total Employee Benefits</b>	<b>25,086,528</b>	<b>33,573,943</b>	<b>34,715,864</b>	<b>35,402,597</b>
<b>Retiree Compensation</b>				
Reimbursements	292,605	-	-	-
<b>Total Retiree Compensation</b>	<b>292,605</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Employee Compensation</b>	<b>90,751,410</b>	<b>100,547,400</b>	<b>102,922,250</b>	<b>103,936,840</b>
<b>Non-Personal Services</b>				
Purchased Services	6,090,623	6,041,298	6,567,852	6,577,852
Supplies	2,436,087	2,977,300	3,338,860	3,338,860
Equipment	1,553,732	1,556,670	1,189,500	1,287,160
Other	455,979	1,268,428	1,085,631	1,255,631
Reimbursements	(95)	-	-	-
<b>Total Non-Personal Services</b>	<b>10,536,326</b>	<b>11,843,696</b>	<b>12,181,843</b>	<b>12,459,503</b>
<b>Capital</b>				
Capital Acquisitions/Capital Improvements	-	225,000	1,620,000	1,620,000
<b>Total Capital</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>225,000</b>	<b>1,620,000</b>	<b>1,620,000</b>

Department	Police
Division	Police

Major Object Expenditures	Comparative Budget Appropriations			
	2010 Actual	2011 Appropriated	2012 Recommended	2012 Appropriated
<b>Department Total</b>	<b>101,287,736</b>	<b>112,616,096</b>	<b>116,724,093</b>	<b>118,016,343</b>

Upon adoption of the 2012 budget the City Council approved an annexation package and a budget resolution that increased Employee Compensation by \$1,014,590 and Non-Personal Services by \$277,660.

**Source of Funds**

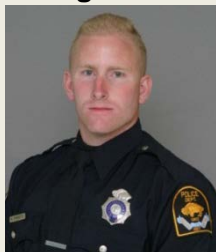
General (Ref. B-1)	100,810,973	111,915,096	114,628,093	115,920,343
Keno/Lottery Proceeds (Ref. B-10)	476,000	476,000	476,000	476,000
2006 Public Safety (Ref. B-28-1)	-	-	275,000	275,000
2010 Public Safety (Ref. B-28-2)	-	-	170,000	170,000
1998 Training Facility Constr (Ref. B-29)	763	-	-	-
2006 Public Facilities (Ref. B-31-1)	-	-	183,000	183,000
2010 Public Facilities (Ref. B-31-2)	-	225,000	92,000	92,000
Advanced Acquisition (Ref. B-33)	-	-	900,000	900,000
	<b>101,287,736</b>	<b>112,616,096</b>	<b>116,724,093</b>	<b>118,016,343</b>

# Officers of the Month

## January

**Officer: Randy Pignotti**

**Recognition: Lifesaving Medal**



On Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:55 AM, Officer Randy Pignotti was on routine patrol on I-80 near 72<sup>nd</sup> Street when he observed smoke coming from a grove of trees located in a ravine off the roadway. As he approached, he observed an

SUV that had crashed into the trees and saw fire under the vehicle. Pignotti exited his cruiser and ran to the vehicle, where he saw an unconscious man in the driver's seat. The driver's door was damaged and could not be opened, and the fire was spreading to the engine compartment, so Pignotti moved to the passenger side and broke several windows. He pulled the man out of the vehicle through a window and with the help of a cabdriver who had stopped to assist Pignotti pulled the unconscious man away from the now fully engulfed vehicle. The man was transported by ambulance to the hospital and treated for a pelvic fracture. The man had a blood alcohol level of .15 and was cited for drunk driving and reckless driving.

## February



**Officer: Matthew McKinney**

**Recognition: Letter of Well Done**

On December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011, Officer Matthew McKinney stopped a motorist for a traffic violation on I-80. Detecting the odor of marijuana, McKinney conducted a probable cause search and seized 11 pounds of marijuana, one ounce of psilocybin mushrooms, and 16 grams of hashish. Two occupants were arrested for possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance. On December 11<sup>th</sup>, McKinney was again patrolling I-80 when he stopped a motorist for a traffic violation and observed numerous indicators of criminal activity. A drug dog was deployed, which led to the discovery of an electronically-controlled hidden compartment in the vehicle. Inside the compartment, McKinney located one handgun, \$16,000 cash, and 1.2 grams of cocaine. The driver and passenger were arrested for drug and weapons charges. On January 12, 2012, McKinney again stopped a vehicle on I-80 for a traffic violation. After noticing the two vehicle occupants were extremely nervous, McKinney

requested permission to search but was denied consent, so he deployed his police service dog. When the dog gave a positive indication of illegal drugs, a probable cause search led McKinney to the discovery of 1.3 pounds of hashish in the vehicle. The driver was arrested for possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance.

## March

**Officer: Jeremy Pruitt**

**Recognition: Letter of Well Done**



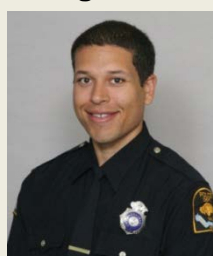
On Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:58 PM, Officer Jeremy Pruitt was patrolling the area of Park Avenue and Woolworth Avenue when he observed a suspicious man standing outside a gas station. He then saw another man run from the gas station and the

two men began running north together on Park Avenue. Pruitt drove up to the suspects, got out of his cruiser, and ordered the two men to stop running. The man refused to stop so Pruitt gave chase on foot. During the chase, Pruitt observed one man discard a black handgun as the other man dropped large quantities of paper money. The suspects split up, so Pruitt chased one while radioing the other man's direction of travel to responding officers. As backup officers arrived, Pruitt apprehended the suspect that was dropping money and returned the man to the store. A store employee confirmed the two men had just robbed the store. Backup officers located the second suspect hiding under a truck a few blocks to the north. Officers then retraced the suspect's path and found a black handgun and a black wig under a bush. The money was also recovered and returned to the store, where the clerk determined all money had been recovered. Store security camera footage confirmed the men's involvement in the robbery.

## April

**Officer: Paul Sarka**

**Recognition: Letter of Commendation**



On Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:28 AM, Officer Paul Sarka responded to a crowd disturbance near 17<sup>th</sup> and Harney Streets. Upon arrival, Sarka heard numerous gunshots and discovered two wounded victims. He ordered a rescue

squad as several witnesses identified the gunman. The suspect fled east and Sarka gave chase on

foot, transmitting information via radio as he ran. A “help an officer” call was declared and, as backup officers arrived in the area, Sarka caught the fleeing man near 14<sup>th</sup> and Farnam Streets. The man was holding a handgun so Sarka, with his duty weapon drawn, commanded the man to drop his weapon. The suspect threw his weapon under a car and tried to flee again, but Sarka was able to physically apprehend him with the assistance of another officer who had just arrived on the scene. During a search of the suspect, another handgun was found hidden in a coat pocket. The suspect was transported to police headquarters for questioning, and was later booked. Both victims were transported to the hospital where one died and the other was listed in critical condition.

## May

**Officer: Randy Pignotti**

**Recognition: Letter of Well Done**



On April 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:05 AM, officers received a radio call for an armed robbery at a gas station on south 160<sup>th</sup> Street. Both suspects ran from the store and headed north on foot. A Douglas County sheriff's deputy who arrived at the store first radioed that a white SUV had been seen leaving the area on West Center Road. Officer Randy Pignotti was responding to the call on West Center Road when he spotted a white SUV going eastbound. He turned his cruiser around, caught up with the SUV, and initiated a high-risk traffic stop. Inside the SUV, he located two male passengers and a female driver, and secured and detained them without further incident. The occupants were later taken back to the store, where the clerk identified both males as the men who committed the robbery. Officers then searched the SUV and found two hooded sweatshirts and a black pellet gun, all of which were used in the robbery. It is believed that the suspects are involved with other robberies committed in the Omaha metro area.

## June

**Officers: Troy Liebe, Christopher Rock**

**Recognition: Letter of Well Done**



On March 16<sup>th</sup>, Officers Troy Liebe (left) and Christopher Rock (right) responded to a shots fired call at a residence

near 40<sup>th</sup> and Wirt Streets, and learned the suspects had fired shots outside and then ran into the residence. Officer Liebe first secured the back of the residence to prevent the suspect from fleeing to the rear. While in back, Liebe was looking for additional suspects when he found a 12-gauge shotgun and .22 caliber rifle hidden under a mattress leaning against the residence. Liebe radioed to responding officers to secure several parties who were standing in the front yard. Liebe and Rock then conducted interviews with five possible suspects who were at the residence. They gained cooperation from the suspects, and each waived their Miranda Rights and agreed to speak to police. During the interviews, two suspects admitted to firing the weapons, and two others made incriminating statements about themselves and others handling the firearms. Due to the investigation, one suspect was booked for being a felon in possession of a firearm; another was booked for possession of marijuana with intent to deliver and being a felon in possession of a firearm; and another was booked for being a minor in possession of a firearm, having an unregistered firearm, and discharging a firearm in city limits. Shortly after these arrests were made, a Homicide Unit detective advised that one of the suspects had witnessed an unsolved homicide in August of 2011. Information obtained from that suspect led directly to an arrest in the unsolved homicide case.

## July

**Officers: Eric Eaton, Justin Knapp, Allen Straub**

**Recognition: Letter of Well Done**



On May 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:36 AM, Officers Eric Eaton (left), Justin Knapp (middle) and Allen Straub (right) responded to a cutting at a mobile home park in west Omaha. Upon arrival, Officer Eaton took a position near the rear of the mobile home residence, and Officers Straub and Knapp went to the front door to make contact with the victim. Straub and Knapp observed bloody handprints on the door. At the same time, Officer Eaton observed (through openings in the window covering) a male physically restraining a female on the bed in the back bedroom. Eaton relayed this information to Knapp and Straub. Officer Straub immediately

decided forced entry was needed and requested permission from a supervisor to kick in the door. Permission was granted and Straub kicked the front door open. He and Knapp moved toward the back bedroom and encountered a second locked door. Officers could hear the female struggling on the other side of the door. Officer Straub kicked the bedroom door off its hinges and observed the suspect holding the victim on the bed. Straub ordered the suspect to release the victim and the suspect complied. Straub and Knapp took the suspect into custody without further incident. It was determined that the victim received a cut to her hand by a kitchen knife while defending herself from the suspect. Her attempts to escape lasted approximately one hour before she was able to call 911. The bloody handprints on the outside of the door were a result of the suspect dragging her back into the residence as she attempted to leave. The couple's five-year-old son was present during the entire incident, but was unharmed. The suspect was booked for domestic violence felony assault (knife) and false imprisonment. The victim was treated at the hospital for non-life-threatening injuries and released.

### August

**Officer: Patrick Dempsey**

**Recognition: Lifesaving Medal**



On June 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:16 AM, Officer Patrick Dempsey and another officer responded to a call reporting that a female had climbed out onto the interstate sign attached to the Leavenworth Street Bridge over Interstate 80. It was clear to the

officers that the woman was contemplating committing suicide by jumping from the sign onto the interstate below. As officers attempted to make contact with her, she initially became extremely agitated and threatened to jump, so officers backed off. But after about 20 minutes, Officer Dempsey made contact with the woman again and was able to establish a rapport with her, getting the woman to calm down and move away from the edge of the sign and closer to the bridge. The woman stated she was feeling sick and wanted to end it all. Due to the woman's location, there was no way for officers to reach her to bring her back over the bridge. Officers were also worried about her climbing back onto the bridge because it was raining and the rails were wet. Dempsey convinced her to agree to being brought down by the Omaha Fire Department (OFD). An OFD aerial engine was

called to the scene and firefighters were able to bring the woman down to safety.

### September

**Officers: Pamela Volk, Matthew Williams**

**Recognition: Letter of Well Done**



On August 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:11 AM, Sergeant Pamela Volk and Officer Matthew Williams contacted the Ralston Police Department to see

if they needed assistance or had further information regarding a suspect who had struck and injured a Ralston police officer with his car. Sergeant Volk and Officer Williams learned the car's license plate number and registered address, and responded to the registered address to speak with the owner. Volk and Williams learned that the homeowner had been contacted the previous evening by Council Bluffs (IA) police regarding her license plate. She said at that time she realized her front plate was missing but she was unsure where or when it was taken. A theft of license plate report was completed and the license plate number was entered into NCIC. The officers received a photo of the suspect from the Ralston Police Department, and they learned through investigative action that the suspect was staying at a hotel near 107<sup>th</sup> and M Streets. Officers were familiar with the suspect since his name had repeatedly come up among meth users they had contacted. The officers arrived at the hotel and located the male suspect. He claimed that he had just returned after having his car stolen several hours earlier in the area of 96<sup>th</sup> and Q Streets. Officers transported him to Ralston, where he was positively identified as the suspect.

### October

**Officers: Sean Glassman, Eric Henka**

**Recognition: Letter of Commendation**



On September 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 PM, Officers Sean Glassman and Eric Henka stopped a vehicle for a defective brake light and

failure to signal a turn. During the stop, the officers smelled an odor of marijuana and noticed an open container of alcohol in the vehicle. The driver stated his cousin smoked marijuana in the vehicle and was just dropped off. The driver was removed from



the car and a search located a bag of marijuana on his person. A search of the vehicle located another bag of marijuana totaling 1.5 ounces hidden under the center console. The driver was nervous during the contact and asked if his girlfriend could take the car and leave. The officers conducted a further search of the vehicle and located a handgun under the vehicle hood. A check of the firearm's serial number indicated the gun was stolen. The suspect made a statement to the officers that the "gun saved (his) life." The suspect was transported to central police headquarters and interviewed by detectives. The suspect ultimately admitted in the interview that he used the stolen firearm in an unsolved homicide from December of 2011. The suspect was booked for traffic charges, possession with intent to deliver marijuana, and being a felon in possession of a firearm. No homicide charges were filed because the shooting was deemed an act of self-defense.

### **November**

**Officer: Anthony Jones**

**Recognition: Letter of Commendation**



On September 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:21 AM, Officer Anthony Jones was working off-duty at 11<sup>th</sup> and Farnam Streets when he observed a white SUV with its interior light on. Officer Jones then saw a male inside the SUV punching a female in the face and the body. Jones ran up to the vehicle and tried opening the door, but it was locked. He yelled for the male to stop hitting the female and open the door, but the male continued punching and choking the female. Jones continued yelling and banging on the driver's window, and he observed blood on the male and a large amount of blood coming from the female's face and head. Concerned for the victim's immediate safety, Jones drew his service weapon and was finally able to gain the male's attention. The male stopped his actions and opened the door for Officer Jones, who then placed the male into custody without further incident. Jones immediately called for a rescue squad for the victim and called for on-duty officers to assist. The victim was transported to the hospital for her injuries and the male was booked for felony domestic violence and assault-strangulation.

### **December**

**Officers: Kelly Murphy, Nicholas Andrews, Jacob Bettin, Mark Kiley, Bryant Wheatley**

**Recognition: Medal of Valor**

On November 18<sup>th</sup> at 12:32 PM, Officer Kelly Murphy was patrolling in the area of Carter Lakeshore Drive north of Locust Street when she observed a small occupied boat in the process of capsizing. Officer Murphy (top row left) radioed the situation to dispatch and other cruisers were expedited to her location. Responding officers included Nicholas Andrews (top middle), Jacob Bettin (top right), Mark Kiley (bottom left), and Bryant Wheatley (bottom right). All five officers entered the water and swam approximately 50 yards off shore in cold water to get to the boat and the victims flailing in the water, which included two humans and a dog. Ultimately, all three were rescued by the collaborative efforts of the officers. Both human victims and Officer Kiley were transported to the hospital for exposure and early-stage hypothermia, but all three recovered. The dog also recovered after receiving veterinary care at the Nebraska Humane Society. The victims were not wearing life vests and neither human victim appeared to be strong swimmers. Based on statements made by the victims, it is clear that all three lives would have been lost if not for the observation of Officer Kelly and the exceptionally brave and decisive actions taken by all the officers involved. Rescue swimming is outside the traditional training and skill set of police personnel, yet these officers risked their own lives without hesitation to save lives.



# Civilian Employees of the Month

## January

**Employee: Deborah Saddoris**

**Recognition: Police Ribbon of Excellence**



In 2007, it was discovered that 448 “juvenile seals” – court orders stating a person’s juvenile arrest record must be sealed – had not been completed. This is a time consuming and detailed process that includes deleting the arrestee’s computer history, and removing mug shots and arrest reports. Information Services Tech Deborah Saddoris personally took on the task of completing this project. She found that a number of the juvenile records were left over from many years ago, and were on microfilm or microfiche. This required her to visually scan each film to locate the proper report, cut the film to remove the report, and splice the film back together. This huge undertaking was accomplished in addition to her regular duties, so it took several years to complete. Her dedication to this project ensured the department is now in compliance with all court orders.

**\* No civilian employees of the month in February, March, April, May, or June**

## July

**Employee: Krystal Kirwan**

**Recognition: Letter of Work Well Done**



On April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 3:57 PM, a home burglary was reported in south Omaha. While processing the crime scene, Crime Lab Tech Krystal Kirwan was able to lift a latent print which was later determined to be from the left palm of a known felon and documented gang member with a significant criminal history, including theft. Through extensive investigative efforts, South Investigations Unit detectives determined the suspect and an accomplice were responsible for the burglary, as well as at least 10 other south Omaha burglaries. Detectives arrested the two men and located numerous stolen items from their burglaries. Without Kirwan’s discovery of the latent palm print, detectives would not have been able to arrest the two suspects and recover the stolen items.

## August

**Employee: Sarah Meyer**

**Recognition: Letter of Work Well Done**



On May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:20 AM, an officer was dispatched to a burglary report at Hillside Little League. The reporting party said unknown persons had, for the second time, stolen the copper wires and cut the conduit on two scoreboards. After arriving on the scene, Crime Lab Tech Sarah Meyer photographed two entire baseball fields for documentation and processed all intruded areas for prints. With roughly 800 feet of area and hot, humid conditions, this was a difficult task. After processing much of the scene, Meyer went into an obscure portion of piping and found nearly a full print. With no witnesses or cameras, this was the only lead detectives received. This was just one of the countless times when Meyer has given her full attention and time to assist other officers and the community.

## September

**Employee: Chevist Johnson**

**Recognition: Police Ribbon of Excellence**



Gang Specialist Chevist Johnson is a tremendous resource for the department, other law enforcement and social services agencies, and the community. He meets with at-risk youth, sometimes weekly, to guide them toward resources and provide personal support and mentoring, and helps people in need while on- and off-duty – including his volunteer work with both Bridge and Abide. In April of 2011, Johnson took his wife to the Creighton University Medical Center emergency room. While in the emergency room lobby, a gunman walked in and shot the man standing next to Johnson. Despite being unarmed, Johnson chased the gunman out of the hospital and helped police officers apprehend him. The shooter is now serving 35 to 50 years in prison for the shooting. The department benefits greatly from his magnetic personality, strong work ethic, and his expertise in reaching at-risk youth and adults.

**\* No civilian employees of the month in October, November, or December.**

# Units & Squads

## OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief of Police Todd R. Schmaderer commands Omaha Police Department (OPD) operations and receives support from the Internal Affairs Unit and Public Information Office.



The Chief determines agency policy and is a City of Omaha department head, reporting directly to the Mayor per Sections 3.07 and 3.11 of the Omaha Charter.

Chief Schmaderer was sworn in as chief of police on August 5, 2012.

## Internal Affairs Unit

The Internal Affairs Unit (IA) is commanded by Lieutenant Patrick Rowland and includes six sergeants, one administrative assistant, and one part-time clerk-typist. Due to the nature of internal investigations and their importance to the community and the OPD, investigators demand thorough and unbiased investigations. Lt. Rowland works closely with the chief of police to ensure all investigations are impartial and complete. The public is encouraged to “formalize” complaints although investigations may also be authorized by the chief of police when information arises suggesting an employee may have acted in violation of agency procedure, union contracts, or the law. When an investigation is complete, the chief of police has a variety of options with which to address violations. These options range from verbal warnings to suspensions without pay and terminations.

<b>Internal Affairs Activity</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>Citizen Complaints</b>		
Complaints Formalized	130	111
Complaints Not Formalized	39	45
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>156</b>
<b>Internal Investigations</b>		
Assigned Investigations	181	158
<b>Dispositions*</b>		
Not Sustained	295	229
Sustained	124	169
Exonerated	98	77
Unfounded	66	97
No Finding/Court	5	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>582</b>

\*There may be multiple allegations for a single internal investigation

In July, the OPD initiated a new professional standards tracking system. This system allows IA to collect more data regarding complaints against officers, which allows the chief of police to better monitor department personnel and ensure appropriate training is available. The new system also includes an early intervention component that allows officers and supervisors to review their own history regarding internal reports and investigations, citizen complaints, and other indicators that may show a pattern of problematic behavior.

## Public Information Office

The Public Information Office (PIO), commanded by Lieutenant Darci Tierney, disseminates information to the news media and manages the Omaha Crime Stoppers program. The PIO participated in the following activities:

- Sent daily emails to media outlets; responded to daily inquiries from local and national media outlets; and issued 117 news releases.
- Conducted on-camera interviews with local media outlets and arranged interviews for officers and supporting units.
- Managed OPD and Omaha Crime Stoppers social media presence. OPD has more than 5,200 Twitter followers and 14,600 “likes” on Facebook.
- Managed over 1,700 Crime Stoppers tips that led to 92 arrests, recovery of 11 weapons, and seizure of \$3,910 worth of property and drugs. Approved tips paid out \$18,900 in rewards.
- Coordinated news conferences and hosted promotional and retirement ceremonies.
- Partook in community events such as the Salute to Safety Expo; Safety, Awareness, Fitness and Education (SAFE) event; and community-based programs such as precinct advisory committees, Empowerment Network and Omaha 360.
- Worked with the First Responders Critical Response Foundation to bring community awareness to issues faced by OPD officers.
- Used Crime Mapping to keep the public informed of crimes occurring in their neighborhoods.
- Taught social media classes during in-service training and the recruit academy.
- Organized Crime Stoppers Officer of the Year award luncheon and Crime Stoppers golf fundraiser, and gave Crime Stoppers presentations to local schools and organizations.

## UNIFORM PATROL BUREAU

The Uniform Patrol Bureau (UPB) is divided into four precincts: Northeast, Northwest, Southeast and Southwest. The UPB provides 24-hour general police services to the public.

### NORTHWEST PRECINCT

The Northwest Precinct (NW) is commanded by Captain Shayna Ray. At the end of 2012, there were 128 employees assigned to NW. Officers work with neighborhood associations, citizen patrols, schools, and businesses to fight and deter crime, and address quality of life issues.



Captain Ray has implemented Problem Oriented Policing (POP), a strategy in which each crew is assigned to design a monthly plan to address an issue in the area they patrol. Officers are encouraged to use community resources to supplement their OPD resources. At the end of each month, crews report and analyze their POP projects. A bulletin board is posted in the precinct so officers can see the POP projects of other crews, which range from addressing vacant homes to implementing school safety plans, and helping those schools organize lockdown drills. NW values the citizens of northwest Omaha and places a strong emphasis on creating and maintaining positive relationships with the public. NW has a large annual Citizen's Education Training Program, a monthly Precinct Advisory Council meeting, is a strong partner in Omaha 360, and regularly sends officers to neighborhood association meetings. NW managed several events including Bank of the West Celebrates America at Memorial Park, Benson Days, Dundee Days, and Elkhorn Days. NW also hosted the annual Safety Expo at Westroads Mall and participated in National Night Out.



### Canine Unit

The Canine Unit continues to provide valuable service to the citizens of Omaha by searching for and apprehending dangerous suspects, and performing patrol and criminal interdiction duties. The Unit responded to 1,729 calls for service, made 643 felony and misdemeanor arrests, conducted 265 searches for suspects (both indoor and outdoor), completed 1,565 training hours, made 3,034 interstate interdiction contacts, and conducted 177 drug searches during which they seized \$763,150 worth of drugs. Drug seizures included 271.8 pounds of marijuana, 9.9 pounds of heroin, 2.37 pounds of methamphetamine, and 7.27 pounds of cocaine. Officers also seized \$1,073,027 in U.S. currency. The Unit also hosted several training events for numerous agencies in the Omaha area. The Gary and Mary West Regional Canine Training Facility located at the Omaha Public Safety Training Center was the venue for these events.

### NORTHEAST PRECINCT

The Northeast Precinct (NE) is commanded by Captain Scott Gray. NE personnel provide professional police services by using innovative community-based policing methods and collaborating with grassroots community outreach organizations, neighborhood associations, public schools, faith-based organizations, political leaders and area businesses. NE personnel are committed to improving the quality of life for all citizens and reducing fear of crime through proactive community policing strategies.



The NE Precinct Advisory Council (PAC) is comprised of area residents, business partners and community leaders who reside, worship and work within precinct boundaries. The NE PAC works closely with OPD command to foster positive community relations and address matters of public safety and communication. NE's Crime Prevention Specialist acts as a liaison between the community and police personnel.

Since October 2011, NE and the OPD have used the ShotSpotter gunshot location system as a gunshot detection and prevention device. ShotSpotter uses acoustic monitoring devices to pinpoint the location

of gunshots, which helps officers respond to gunfire incidents quickly. This decreases response times, improves crime scene investigations, and increases arrests of violent criminals.



NE officers specialize in utilizing crime mapping and criminal intelligence, along with community input, to identify violent crime hotspots. Planned suppression operations resulted in removal of 306 firearms from the streets of Omaha during 2012. Officers worked with the Gang Unit and other Criminal Investigations Bureau units to conduct operations and directed-patrol in high-crime areas to reduce violent crime in those hotspot areas. Officers also worked with the Nebraska State Patrol and Douglas County Sheriff's Office to provide traffic enforcement operations in hotspot areas. These combined enforcement efforts and active citizen involvements resulted in a four percent reduction in total CompStat crimes (robbery, felony assault, burglary, auto theft and theft from motor vehicles). NE is committed to community outreach and engaging citizens and youth. The NE Crime Prevention Specialist successfully coordinated several community events including Fun in the Park, Citizen's Academy, National Night Out, Cops and Bobbers, and Adopt-a-Family with the Salvation Army.

*Empowerment Network:* The Empowerment Network is a united group of leaders, residents and organizations working to facilitate positive, measurable and dramatic change in the Omaha community. Launched in 2006, the Empowerment Network works in a coordinated and comprehensive way to improve the economic progress and quality of life of African-Americans, north Omaha residents and the greater Omaha area. The movement is based on 13 covenant areas and a strategic plan that focuses on the empowerment of individuals, families, leaders and organizations that serve the community. NE participates with the

Empowerment Network in the following initiatives: (1) Omaha 360 – Violence intervention and prevention collaborative that meets weekly; (2) Faith Leaders and Pastors – Meets monthly with faith leaders who want to be involved in addressing north Omaha violence; and (3) Christmas in the Village – An effort to bring attention to north Omaha arts and cultural activities.

*North Omaha Neighborhood Alliance (NONA):* NONA is an active central point of contact to which residents and neighborhood associations can garner information and tools they need to nurture a unified, solutions-based approach to addressing and improving the quality of life in north Omaha. NONA believes a strong unified effort to address neighborhood and community issues can help reverse persistent declining trends and improve the community's security and appearance. Some associations targeted for this project are among the oldest volunteer groups in the city. Representatives from NE attend NONA's monthly meetings to inform neighborhood associations of current crime trends in their areas. This partnership has proven successful with NE officers receiving more anonymous tips regarding area crimes.

*Prescription Drug Take-Back Day:* The DEA's Prescription Drug Take-Back Days are important opportunities for consumers to safely and legally dispose of unneeded prescription medications. The take-back service, which occurs twice a year, is free and anonymous. Along with the DEA, NE partners with Walgreen's Pharmacy and the Creighton University School of Pharmacy to provide this service.

*ABIDE Network:* The ABIDE Network's primary mission is to involve caring people in the lives of youth and families in under-resourced areas. ABIDE is located in NE's District 34. This area was once known for its high rate of gun violence, but the partnership between ABIDE and NE has led to a dramatic decrease in gun violence. NE representatives participate in ABIDE events that include summer block parties, and Thanksgiving and Easter activities.

*Juneteenth:* The Omaha branch of the NAACP hosts an annual parade in north Omaha called Juneteenth that celebrates the end of slavery in the

United States. This is the oldest known celebration of its kind in the country. NE personnel meet with NAACP representatives to work out logistics of the parade and other related events held in the area.

*Native Omaha Days:* Started in 1976, this five-day event takes place biennially in north Omaha. NE personnel meet with Native Omaha Club members ahead of time to work out the logistics of event activities, which include a parade. NE received a plaque of appreciation from members of the Native Omaha Club for its support, sponsorship and commitment.

### **SOUTHEAST PRECINCT**

The Southeast Precinct (SE), commanded by Captain Katherine Belcastro-Gonzalez includes the area south of Dodge Street to the Sarpy County line, and west of the Missouri River to 42<sup>nd</sup> Street. SE includes 122 sworn officers, two non-sworn employees, and numerous volunteers. The precinct is divided into Uniform Patrol, Mounted Patrol, Riverfront Patrol, and Crime Prevention.



SE is the busiest precinct in the city in terms of events and attractions, and is also the most culturally diverse area of the city. Due to available employment in the meat packing industry, South Omaha has historically been a melting pot of cultures including Polish, Italian, Czech, Lithuanian, and Irish. In recent decades there has been a strong influx of Hispanics and Sudanese immigrants. These diverse cultures present officers



with challenges related to communication and cultural understanding, but officers confront those challenges with great success.

SE uses community policing to manage the area's many events and attractions, and to successfully work with the diverse population. Officers participate in neighborhood group meetings,

convene with business groups and community associations, and work with schools. Officers patrol using vehicles, bicycles, Segways, recreational utility vehicles, horses, and on foot. Southeast manages events and cultural celebrations that include the NCAA College World Series, Cinco de Mayo celebration, Fourth of July fireworks at TD Ameritrade Park, St. Patrick's Day parade, Septemberfest celebration, and holiday lights festival. Officers also patrol some of Omaha's most visited attractions including the Omaha Henry Doorly Zoo, Old Market entertainment and shopping district, CenturyLink Center arena and convention center, and TD Ameritrade Park.

Crime Prevention Specialist Ofelia Robles coordinates annual events that allow officers to be seen in a positive light and provide an opportunity for officers to build lasting relationships with the community.



The Safety Awareness Fitness and Education (SAFE) event celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary in June



2012 and was attended by hundreds of families. In the past three years, SE has worked closely with the

Salvation Army KROC Center to host the SAFE event. The KROC Center not only offers space, but provides volunteers and equipment, and surrounding businesses contribute food, entertainment and equipment to make the event a success. Hy-Vee grocery store has sponsored the event and provided hotdogs and drinks each year since the event's inception.

The Nebraska State Patrol (seatbelt convincer), Omaha Fire Department (fire engine) and City of Omaha (graffiti van) are just a few of the agencies that provide displays during the SAFE event. In addition, there are more than 20 information sharing tables at the event featuring organizations such as

the American Red Cross, WCA and Boys & Girls Clubs. Youth and families have the opportunity to learn about bike safety in the bike training course and have their bikes checked by professionals from the Bike Rack. Families get to enjoy food and refreshments, clowns, face painting, bouncy houses, a rock wall, and prizes such as a properly-fitted bike helmet. Parents collected important information on health, kids programs, and the importance of wearing a seatbelt.

One of the largest and most popular precinct events is Santa at the Southeast Precinct. In December, this event celebrated its 11<sup>th</sup> anniversary and was attended by nearly 1,800 people. Each year, people come to listen to choir and instrumental concerts by South High students, collect information about auto theft prevention, receive information from other participating agencies, and visit with Santa. All families are offered free refreshments and kids exchange a smile for a toy from a police officer. For the past four years, South High has graciously



opened its doors to house this event. SE uses the cafeteria, hallways and gym to run this large event. SE worked closely with

the

Midlands Latino Center for Development Corporation, which provided its “Christmas around the World” activity. All toys, treats, refreshments and entertainment are contributed by local businesses and some large corporations, as well as by the Omaha Police Foundation, Latino Police Officers Association, Police Union, and some neighborhood associations. Every child age 12 and younger received a small toy from an officer, and families also had the opportunity to win a prize. Many hours and much effort went into organizing this event and SE would not be able to complete this task without the help of volunteers from the Omaha Public Schools, Precinct Advisory Council, neighborhood associations, and Omaha Coalition of Citizen Patrol members.

A Halloween event known as Meet and Treat is SE’s newest annual activity. SE celebrated its third annual Meet and Treat in October 2012. This event

is focused on providing Halloween safety tips and providing a safe Halloween activity for kids and families. Like other community events, Meet and Treat provides officers with an opportunity to interact with youth and families in a fun environment while collecting important safety information. SE welcomed more than 1,000 attendees. More than 50 high school students from South High and some from Central High arrived the night before the event to set up and create the ambiance for the “Haunted Precinct” in the SE conference room, and many of these same high school students came the next day dressed in costume ready to play their part in the Haunted Precinct. On the day of the event, parents brought their kids in costume, and each child received books donated by Mercy High, toothpaste and toothbrushes from Testa Dental, healthy treats from Hy-Vee and candy from SE officers. Many of the older kids entered the haunted house while younger children had a chance to jump in the bouncy house.



SE has offered the Citizens’ Patrol Academy for more than a decade – a program designed to provide community members with a better understanding of the OPD and its operations through class lectures and hands-on experience. The goal of this 10 to 12 hour academy is to provide an informative and enjoyable experience and to offer an opportunity for the OPD to learn from participants through discussions and interactions with instructors, classmates, and visiting OPD commanders and staff. SE employees focus on community needs by offering specific instructions in the areas of most interest. Because of South Omaha’s diverse community, there is an effort to offer this academy to the Sudanese community and Latino community (in Spanish). They have also offered an academy specific to high school age students in recent years. Twenty-seven (27) high school students and some college students graduated from the last Citizens’ Academy in October 2012.

Support received from neighboring businesses and high schools is greatly appreciated. Local restaurants donated light meals so participants did not have to rush home after work or school to eat before participating in the academy. High schools allowed the Crime Prevention Specialist to set up an information table during school to recruit participants. Having this sort of community support is very encouraging to SE's efforts. SE attempts to offer this program twice per year so they can include a youth academy.

Mounted Patrol Squad

The Mounted Patrol Squad includes one sergeant, six officers, and one full-time civilian stablehand.



There are currently eight horses in the Mounted Patrol stables. The Squad obtained two new horse prospects last year including the

first horse actually purchased by the OPD (all others were donated). The Seized Assets fund was used to purchase a four-year-old Thoroughbred/Percheron mix from a police mount training program at Asbury University in Wilmore, Kentucky. The other new horse is still undergoing evaluation and training to determine if he will be a good fit for mounted police work. The Squad also retired one horse for medical reasons. The horse, named Dollar, was diagnosed with a non-repairable hoof issue and returned to his donor.

The Mounted Patrol Squad participated in eight days of in-service mount and rider training, and held a two-week auxiliary class in which the entire Mounted Patrol Squad instructed five additional officers to serve as backup Mounted Patrol officers to be called upon if needed. The Mounted Patrol Squad also participated in a variety of events and assignments throughout the city and surrounding communities, and provided regular patrol of the Old Market and downtown area, Village Point Mall, the area surrounding 24<sup>th</sup> and Leavenworth Street and 24<sup>th</sup> and St. Mary's Avenue, ConAgra Park, Gene Leahy Mall, Riverfront, Lake Zorinsky, Westroads Mall, and all other areas requesting special attention.

The Mounted Patrol Squad also participated in a number of special events in all areas of the city. These events included: the NCAA College World Series at TD Ameritrade Park, Cinco de Mayo parade, Safe Night Out at the Northeast Precinct, Cops and Bobbers, Veterans' Day ceremony at Memorial Park, multiple CenturyLink Center events, New Year's Eve fireworks celebration, NCAA Basketball Tournament, Olympic Swim Trials, St. Patrick's Day parade, Heartland Equine Therapy Riding Academy fundraiser, March of Dimes walk, Latino Police Officers Association Easter Egg Hunt, Community Education Programs, security detail for visits from President Obama and presidential candidate Mitt Romney, Berkshire Hathaway shareholders event, Bank of the West Fourth of July concert at Memorial Park, Nebraska State Track Meet, Red Sky Music Festival, Septemberfest, River City Roundup, 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Scout Day, StormChasers Public Service Appreciation Night, Papillion National Night out, and many other local running events, parades, and block parties.

<b>Mounted Patrol Activities</b>	<b>2012</b>
Training Days	18
Events	331
Radio Calls	63
Officer Initiated Calls	1,760
Arrests	2,709
Traffic Stops	254
Citations Written	775
Officer Backups	1,158
Reports Completed	882
Field Observation Cards	983
Citizen Contacts	64,241
Assignments	7,604
Tours/Appearances	417
Warrants Served	22

The Squad hosted 83 tours last year with groups including the Boy/Girl Scouts, school children from around the Omaha metro, elderly groups, and even a personal tour for Mayor Jim Suttle and his staff. The Squad hosted the Wells Fargo Family Festival on December 5<sup>th</sup> as part of the downtown Holiday Lights Festival. The barn was festively decorated inside and out, and officers held events such as live reindeer feeding and petting, face painting, a balloon artist, free hot chocolate (courtesy of ConAgra), a bake sale benefitting the Girl Scouts, and Santa Claus handing out candy canes. Wells Fargo also provided free stagecoach rides and gave



away crafts, and Mounted Patrol Squad officers provided horse training and crowd control demonstrations for over 6,000 visitors.

The Mounted Patrol Squad also hosted the Buckaroo Bash, an annual fundraiser for the Knights of Aksarben. The event was held in April in the Mounted Patrol barn, and the Knights of Aksarben raised thousands of dollars for underprivileged youth, the Justin Cowboys Crisis Fund, and the Mounted Patrol Foundation.

## **SOUTHWEST PRECINCT**



The Southwest Precinct (SW), commanded by Captain Russ Horine, works in partnership with the community to incorporate a community policing approach to address the causes of crime and reduce the fear of crime. In partnership with business owners and neighborhood associations, SW takes an active role in developing strategies to address multiple quality of life issues. Captain Horine meets monthly with members of the community through the SW Precinct Advisory Council (PAC). The SW PAC includes residents, neighborhood associations and business owners. The SW PAC provides a way for the community to have direct representation and communication with SW command in order to relay public safety concerns and foster positive community relations. SW officers engaged in numerous activities in addition to regular patrol duties and calls for service. Activities included patrolling area lakes and trails, attending community meetings and events, and assisting area schools with safety drills. SW officers provide quality services, and strive to maintain a professional working relationship with the community.

## **Traffic Unit**

The Traffic Unit, commanded by Lieutenant Edward Reyes, includes five sergeants, 34 full-time officers, two part-time retired officers, and one part-time secretary. The Unit is comprised of an Accident Investigations Squad, Selective Enforcement Squad, and Project Night Life Squad. Traffic schedules and coordinates traffic control during all major events within the City of Omaha. The Traffic Unit obtains a majority of the agency's

funding for selective enforcement operations. Grant funded operations include nationwide enforcement campaigns such as Click it or Ticket and You Drink, You Drive, You Lose. Traffic received more than \$350,000 in federal funding to provide additional selective enforcement operations, purchase equipment, and send officers to traffic-related training.

## **Accident Investigations Squad**

The Accident Investigations Squad (AIS) includes two sergeants and 15 officers covering all shifts. The AIS focuses on providing investigation and follow-up of all hit and run accidents, accidents involving City of Omaha vehicles, accidents causing serious personal injury, and other investigations required by agency commanders. The AIS also coordinates, assists with, and supplements manpower for special events and assignments with other Traffic Unit squads. The AIS investigated 3,561 hit and run accidents, 186 accidents involving City-owned vehicles, and 30 accidents involving traffic fatalities. The four A-Shift Accident Investigators made 1,025 arrests for individuals driving under the influence and were nominated for the 2012 Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Outstanding Law Enforcement Award for their dedication and service.



## **Selective Enforcement Squad**

The Selective Enforcement Squad includes two sergeants and 17 officers covering both B- and C-Shifts. The Squad's areas of responsibility include speed enforcement, including addressing the Mayor and City Council's traffic hotspot areas, routine speed and traffic complaints, and addressing high-profile areas of concern for speed and traffic enforcement. The Squad also creates traffic plans for special events, which is critical for the safety of all participants and spectators. The Squad conducted 21,920 traffic stops, wrote 22,464 citations, made 1,351 misdemeanor arrests and 73 felony arrests, answered 992 radio calls, and completed 11,328 reports.

Omaha hosted the 2012 U.S. Olympic Swim Trials, which attracted more than 167,000 people to the CenturyLink Center. The Selective Enforcement Squad provided traffic and crowd control for this event, as well as more than 300 other special events throughout the year. Other events included the NCAA College World Series at TD Ameritrade Stadium, St. Patrick's Day Parade, Millard Days, River City Roundup, Cinco de Mayo Parade, Labor Day Parade, numerous high school homecoming parades, the Omaha Marathon, Race for the Cure, several military funerals and dignitary visits, New Year's Eve fireworks, Bank of the West concert at Memorial Park (with a crowd of more than 80,000), Berkshire Hathaway shareholders meeting (30,000 attendees), and numerous sold out concerts.

### Motor Squad

The Motor Squad routinely provides motorcycle escorts for special events, soldiers' funerals and dignitary visits. The Squad also participates in parades, enforcement operations, daily patrol, community presentations, and various other motorcades. The Squad currently operates sixteen 2013 Harley Davidson Electra Glide motorcycles.

### Project Night Life Squad

The Project Night Life Squad (PNL) includes one sergeant and two officers who educate teens about the dangers of distracted driving and poor decisions behind the wheel. Nebraska Revised Statute 60-4,120.01 provides for a provisional operator's permit (POP) for teen drivers, which allows a graduated increase in driving privileges. A POP holder is restricted from driving between midnight and six a.m. unless traveling to or from school or employment. Drivers under the age of 21 are also a target of underage drinking and driving laws. Nebraska Revised Statute 60-6,211.01 prohibits persons younger than 21 from possessing alcohol or operating any motor vehicle with a blood alcohol level of .02 or more.

PNL conducted 77 selective enforcement operations and 3,893 citations and 95 restriction violations to POP holders. Officers also arrested 307 minors for being in possession of alcohol, and made 55 arrests for procuring alcohol for minors. PNL also made presentations to local high schools and distributed materials about the dangers of risky driving to more than 6,000 students during community

presentations, and set up PNL display boards at many local events to support teen driving awareness.

## CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU

The Criminal Investigations Bureau (CIB) provides 24-hour crime investigation services. CIB is split into two sections: Criminal Investigations and Special Operations. A CIB Administrative Sergeant provides administrative support.

### CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS SECTION

The Criminal Investigations Section is commanded by Captain Kerry Neumann and includes the Operations Squad, Crime Analysis Unit, Homicide Unit, North Investigations Unit, South Investigations Unit, Major Crimes Unit, Special Victims Unit, and Crime Lab Unit.



### Crime Analysis Unit

The Crime Analysis Unit, commanded by Lieutenant Mike McGee, provides crime data and trends to agency decision makers and provides crime data for weekly CompStat meetings. The Unit also investigates pawn-related crimes. Crime Analysis includes the Crime Analysis Squad, Administration Squad, and Pawn Squad.

### Crime Analysis Squad

The Crime Analysis Squad includes two sergeants, a unit supervisor, five analysts, and one volunteer. The Squad is generally responsible for (1) administrative, data quality, and CompStat support; and (2) tactical/operational support. Administrative and data quality responsibilities involve gathering, compiling and applying Uniform Crime Reporting rules for crime reporting to the Nebraska Crime Commission and the FBI. CompStat support includes developing weekly CompStat statistics, publishing the metrics internally, and assisting with weekly CompStat meetings. In addition to standard reports, Crime Analysts prepare special reports for outside entities at the request of the chief of police. Tactical analysis begins with a review of all crime reports related to robbery (excluding bank robbery), burglary, theft from motor vehicle, auto theft, forgery, fraud, and miscellaneous assault. Analysts then determine if solvability factors are present, and information is quickly communicated to appropriate

investigative units, the Uniform Patrol Bureau, and tactical Crime Analysts. The Crime Analysis Squad then assists investigators by identifying reports that document specific methods of operation, stolen property, or names.

The Crime Analysis Squad made significant contributions to many cases throughout the year. Crime Analyst Shawn Fisher is one of only thirteen crime analysts in the world certified as a law enforcement and criminal intelligence analyst by the International Association of Crime Analysts (IACA). To achieve this level of certification, a person must have three years of full-time experience as an analyst in the field of law enforcement, corrections, intelligence, or related fields; be a member of IACA; and satisfy specific criteria chosen to assess work and educational experience. Ms. Fisher then had to take a test that included 20 sections based on 20 different skill sets. Applicants must score at least 80 percent on each section to pass. Sections include crime analysis basics, criminal behavior, inferential statistics, and spatial analysis, among others.

Crime Analyst Carla Parrack, a former Intelligence Analyst with the Nebraska State Patrol, has also significantly improved the Crime Analysis Unit's intelligence capabilities – especially in the areas of telephone and link analysis.

#### Pawn Squad

The Pawn Squad includes one sergeant, two officers, four clerk-typists, and one volunteer. The Squad supports the Criminal Investigations Bureau and investigates cases of missing and stolen property found in pawnshops, salvage yards, and secondhand stores. The Squad also acts as a liaison between outside jurisdiction and metro area pawnshops and salvage yards. Officers communicate with pawnshops, salvage yards and secondhand stores on a daily basis, providing them with information about suspects or possible stolen items. Officers also check every person who pledges, sells or trades a firearm for any prior felony convictions. The Pawn Squad is the only pawn/salvage squad in the Omaha metro area.

In 2012, the Squad entered 170,941 pawn/secondhand store cards; 30,160 salvage cards; and 60,395 field observation cards. Officers also

recovered more than \$260,079 worth of items from local pawn shops. In addition, Sergeant Tina Jennum assisted in submitting a proposal for Legislative Bill 1049 – a bill that would ban the sale of manhole covers and sewer grates by anyone other than government employees.

#### Homicide Unit

The Homicide Unit is commanded by Lieutenant Stefanie Fidone and includes the Homicide Squad, Cold Case Squad, and Felony Assault Squad. The Unit includes 20 detectives, six sergeants, and one secretary – a team of men and women dedicated to bringing justice to victims and arresting violent offenders. In 2012, the Homicide Unit reviewed more than 300 death investigations; completed paperwork and investigation with sick/injury reports for 1,640 cases; and reviewed more than 200 cases of terroristic threats, carrying a concealed weapon, and animal bites. The Unit has a tremendous relationship with, and works daily with, the Douglas County Attorney's Office to bring cases to the courtroom and secure guilty verdicts for violent criminals.

#### Homicide Squad

The Homicide Squad investigated 41 homicides and helped investigate six officer-involved incidents/incustody deaths. The Squad also made two arrests for 2011 murders, and arrested 32 people involved in 2012 murders.

#### Cold Case Squad

The Cold Case Squad investigates unsolved homicides by reviewing unsolved case files and looking for evidence to test or investigative leads to follow. Cold Case detectives arrested a suspect in a 1980 murder.

#### Felony Assault Squad

The Felony Assault Squad investigates assaults that result in serious bodily harm. Detectives investigated 220 of these labor-intensive felony assault cases. Each of these cases takes hours of work and hundreds of search warrants, permissions to search, and subpoenas.

#### North Investigations Unit

The North Investigations Unit (NIU) is commanded by Lieutenant Jay Leavitt. The NIU investigates person robberies, burglaries, auto thefts, thefts from

motor vehicles, and assaults that occur north of Dodge Street. Detectives work with the Uniform Patrol Bureau and Crime Analysis Squad to track and monitor crime trends, make arrests, and clear cases.

In 2013, NIU detectives worked more than 3,300 cases; conducted more than 4,400 victim, witness and suspect interviews; conducted nearly 100 searches; and made 489 arrests. These investigations and arrests led to the recovery of stolen property and stopped ongoing criminal activity.

In May, the NIU investigated a series of theft-from-motor-vehicle cases throughout the city. The suspect in those cases was using a stolen truck that was a very distinct green color to commit several thefts from motor vehicles, including the theft of a handgun from a vehicle. The NIU developed suspect information and conducted a search warrant at a house in an attempt to locate the suspect. That same day, the suspect escalated his activities to include an attempted burglary. Detectives put out bulletins and information on the suspect, and a UPB command officer spotted the suspect scouting vehicles at Oakview Mall. An attempt to stop the vehicle resulted in a pursuit through several areas of the city before the suspect eventually bailed from his vehicle, broke into an elderly female's house, and held her hostage. Officers from several areas and units surrounded the house, and the SWAT Squad eventually took the suspect into custody and saved the female from harm. The suspect was convicted of two counts of theft by receiving, kidnapping, and felony flight to avoid arrest, and sentenced to 47 years in prison.

In July, three suspects went on a robbery/carjacking spree that victimized three people. Shortly after the incident, UPB officers located and stopped the suspect vehicle, and NIU detectives arrived on scene to assist. Through evidence recovery and interviews of victims, witnesses and suspects, detectives were able to arrest and convict three juvenile suspects for two counts of robbery and one count of attempted robbery.

In October, detectives developed information that suspects were involved in numerous burglaries throughout the city. Detectives served two search

warrants that resulted in the recovery of tens of thousands of dollars of stolen property and evidence from more than 30 burglaries. Detectives processed all property and directly linked it to reported burglaries. The suspects were located and booked for 25 felony charges. One suspect reached a plea deal on four burglary charges and six theft-by-receiving charges, and was sentenced to a total of 30 years in prison for these charges. A second suspect remains in jail and bound over in district court to face trial for one count of burglary and 10 counts of theft by receiving. Detectives reached out to victims and returned as much stolen property as possible.

Throughout the year the NIU worked with UPB officers to conduct several plain-clothes operations that focused on hotspot areas for daytime burglaries and other property crimes. During these operations, detectives and patrol personnel recovered four stolen vehicles, made eight felony arrests and 13 misdemeanor arrests, issued eight traffic citations, cleared 16 warrants, and completed 35 field observation contact cards.

### **South Investigations Unit**

The South Investigations Unit (SIU), commanded by Lieutenant Vivian Buckley, investigates person and property crimes that occur south of Dodge Street. The SIU includes one secretary, two sergeants and seven officers. SIU detectives investigate auto theft, burglary, felony and misdemeanor assaults, person to person robbery, theft from motor vehicle, and shoplifting. Detectives work closely with the Uniform Patrol Bureau, Crime Analysis Squad, Pawn Squad, and Crime Lab Unit to aggressively and efficiently solve cases and arrest offenders.

From February 2012 to April 2012, suspects committed several burglaries in southeast Omaha. SIU detectives arrested two suspects for 13 burglaries. One suspect was sentenced to 20 years and the other suspect was sentenced to 15-20 years, plus he had an immigration hold placed on him since he was in the country illegally.

In July, a suspect committed a number of copper gutter thefts throughout the city, mostly from churches. Detectives' hard work and cooperation led to the arrest and conviction of a suspect on two

counts of felony theft by unlawful taking. The man later pled to his role in 20 additional cases. Then from July to October, a Laundromat burglary series occurred in northeast and southeast Omaha. A black male was seen on video during several of these burglaries, and SIU detectives were able to arrest a suspect and charge him with a number of burglaries.

In September, a man in town for a conference was confronted at the Gene Leahy Mall by two teenage males, one armed with a gun. The teenagers demanded money, but ultimately got nothing from the victim. With assistance from a high school resource officer, the weapon (a BB gun) was recovered at the high school and a suspect was identified. The school resource officer put together a photo lineup using school photos, and detectives coordinated with an outside law enforcement agency to show the lineup to the victim. A suspect was positively identified and arrested on a felony warrant for attempted robbery.

<b>South Investigations Activities</b>	<b>2012</b>
New Cases Assigned	2,581
Persons Interviewed	4,226
Victims	2,571
Suspects	718
Witnesses	937
Arrests Made	654
Felony	389
Misdemeanor	265
Searches Completed	143
Warrants	27
Permissions to Search	116

In December, detectives investigated a business burglary in which the owner arrived at work to find the front door glass had been broken out. Several items were stolen, including the cash drawer from behind the counter. Security video clearly showed a white car backing in and a white male smashing the front door with red-handled bolt cutters. The suspect made several trips in and out of the business, taking items out each time. Stolen items were valued at more than \$1,500, including \$400 cash. A search warrant for the suspect's home was obtained and served and, detectives recovered red bolt cutters and numerous stolen items.

**Major Crimes Unit**

The Major Crimes Unit has four investigative squads including the Major Crimes Squad, Fraud

Squad, High Profile Crimes Squad, and Field Investigations Squad. Major Crimes is commanded by Lieutenant KaraLin Starlin.

**Field Investigations Squad**

The Field Investigations Squad (FIS) probes serious misdemeanor and felony crimes that occur between the hours of 3:00 PM and 7:00 AM. FIS detectives are often the first investigators on the scene, and handle the investigation until the end of the shift to ensure a complete report is submitted in the morning to the assigned investigative unit. FIS detectives work with the Homicide Unit to stabilize violent crime scenes, protect witnesses from influence, and interact with family members of both victims and witnesses. FIS investigators also work with hospital staff members to ensure evidence is not lost when a homicide or serious assault victim is transported to the hospital for treatment. In 2012, FIS detectives investigated 1,308 incidents; conducted 2,704 interviews; made more than 1,100 arrests; and completed 35 permissions to search and search warrants.

**Fraud Squad**

The Fraud Squad investigates crimes involving embezzlement, criminal impersonation, fraud, and forgery. The Squad reviewed 2,038 cases, conducted 1,169 interviews and arrested 211 persons for financial crimes. The Squad also served 29 permissions to search and search warrants. To assist victims with the fallout from identity theft and financial fraud, detectives spent numerous hours talking with victims about what they can do to protect themselves in the future.

**Major Crime Squad**

The Major Crimes Squad works in joint task forces with the FBI, Secret Service, Douglas County Attorney's Office, City Prosecutor's Office, and United States Attorney's Office. The Squad investigates bank robberies and commercial robberies citywide. In 2012, the Squad investigated eight bank robberies and arrested five suspects who were responsible for seven of those robberies. Major Crimes also investigated 224 commercial/business robberies.

**High Profile Crimes Squad**

The High Profile Crimes Squad investigates crime series and high profile or high dollar incidents that

involve threats, assaults, and thefts. In 2012, the Squad worked several long-term investigations that resulted in numerous arrests and search warrants.

**Special Victims Unit**

The Special Victims Unit (SVU) is commanded by Lieutenant Trevor O’Brien and includes the Child Victim / Sexual Assault Squad, Domestic Violence Squad, and Missing Persons Squad. The SVU provides dedicated and specialized response to crimes involving children as victims, domestic violence, persons reported missing, and vulnerable adults. The SVU has a detective assigned full-time to the Cybercrime Task Force. The Unit includes sergeants and detectives working day and evening shifts. Staff remains on-call when not on duty so the SVU is able to provide support and assistance to victims at all times of the day and night.

**Child Victim / Sexual Assault Squad**

The Child Victim / Sexual Assault Squad (CVSA) is located at an off-site location called Project Harmony. Project Harmony is a nonprofit agency that includes law enforcement, Child Protective Services, child advocates and medical professionals. The CVSA includes three sergeants, nine detectives, one part-time officer, and two administrative assistants. The Squad provides dedicated and specialized response to investigations involving child abuse and neglect, child abduction, sexual offenses, computer crimes, and missing juveniles.

<b>CVSA Squad Investigations</b>	<b>2012</b>
Missing/Runaway Juveniles	2,066
Total Crimes	3,500
Child Neglect	150
Child Abuse	236
Sexual Assault of a Juvenile	386
Sexual Assault of an Adult	161
Sexual Misconduct	20
Indecent Exposure & Lewd Conduct	20
Child Porn	4
Obscene Phone Calls / Letters	21
Child Deaths	13

Child Victim / Sexual Assault Squad Detectives conducted thorough investigations using corroborative information, physical evidence, photographs, DNA, and information records from phones and computers to achieve objective conclusions to cases. Investigators coordinated and worked with outside resources related to child

victim crimes. Resources included other OPD units, outside law enforcement agencies, victim advocacy agencies, and the court system.

**Cyber Crimes Task Force**

The Cyber Crimes Task Force (CCTF) is an inter-departmental law enforcement group focusing on investigating computer and internet crimes. Local, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies collaborate to solve criminal acts made possible by electronic technology. By using some of the most powerful technology available, the CCTF investigates local, national and international criminal activity. The goal of the CCTF is the collaboration of assigned agencies to fight and prevent internet crimes involving child pornography and other unlawful sex crimes related to social media and the internet. The CCTF investigated 64 misdemeanor and felony sex and pornography crimes. The CCTF completed 43 total computer forensic exams and 21 enforcement “supports.”

**Missing Persons Squad**

The Missing Persons Squad handles investigations involving adults who are reporting missing, and assists with missing juveniles when additional assistance is needed. The Squad completes follow-up interviews with family, friends and co-workers; collects the missing person’s investigative records (financial, work, computer); searches local, state and federal databases; and processes crime scenes/collects DNA. The Squad contacts many resources outside the police department to gather information relating to these investigations. The Missing Persons Squad completed 310 missing adult investigations.

**Domestic Violence Squad**

The Domestic Violence Squad (DVS) is located at an off-site location with the Douglas County/Omaha Victim Witness Unit. Working in the same building allows these agencies to collaborate and coordinate to provide the best service for victims. The DVS investigates all crimes involving domestic violence and vulnerable adult cases. The Squad includes one sergeant, six detectives, one part-time officer, and one administrative assistant. The DVS works closely with several participating community-based domestic violence agencies to investigate crimes of domestic violence and incidents involving vulnerable adults. These agencies include the Domestic Violence Council,

Women's Center for Advancement, Douglas County Probation, Douglas County Attorney, Catholic Charities, Heartland Family Service, Adult Protective Services, Health and Human Services, and the Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging. Working together allows these agencies to provide confidential enhanced care and services.

DVS detectives averaged 58 cases per month and conducted 3,581 misdemeanor investigations; served 1,059 misdemeanor warrants; completed 617 felony investigations; and served 185 felony warrants. Other highlights included: Four domestic violence sweeps, in partnership with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office and Nebraska State Probation, that led to multiple arrests and protection orders served; Participation in the annual Clackamas County Sheriff's National Family Violence Warrant Sweep – a day-long event where law enforcement agencies across the nation serve outstanding family violence warrants; and continued education and awareness events regarding domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and sexual assault.

### **Crime Lab Unit**

The Crime Lab Unit, supervised by Crime Lab Manager Karenina Smith, provides forensic evidence collection and preservation support for the Omaha Police Department. The Unit began 2012 with employee status changes. Two employees hired in 2011 as Crime Lab Trainees successfully completed their one-year training period and became Crime Lab Technicians. Another Crime Lab Technician was lost to the police officer recruit class that began at the end of August, and is now patrolling the streets of Omaha as a police officer.



At the end of 2012, Crime Lab personnel included three Criminalists (shift supervisors), seven Senior Crime Lab Technicians, and one part-time employee. Personnel attended various training

events with funding from the Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant. Training included the 2012 AFTE Training Conference, the IBIS Basic Users Course, Serial Number Restoration Training, Advanced Fingerprint Training Courses, and the annual International Association for Identification Educational Conference. Paul Coverdell Grant funding was also used to purchase a Robotic Total Station, Trajectory Kits, camera equipment, and a number of books to add to the Unit's forensic library. Throughout the year, the Crime Lab completed 5,446 street calls; conducted 179 forensic video analyses; took 208,847 crime scene photographs; developed 2,215 fingerprints; conducted 345 firearms exams/test fires; received 217 IBIS hits; and completed 1,992 breath tests for DUI (Crime Lab only – does not include officer breath tests).

In addition, Crime Lab employee Molly Reil completed the ATF Firearm School. She began the intense nearly-year-long school with independent course work in October 2011. That led to her onsite training at the Firearms Academy in Maryland from January through May. Additional independent course work was required from May through August, and culminated with a return to the Firearms Academy in September for graduation. Only 12 students per year are accepted to this training program and the OPD Crime Lab is very proud of Molly's successful graduation.

Senior Crime Lab Technician Laura Casey and Detective Douglas Herout received the FBI's prestigious Latent Hit of the Year Award. Laura was recognized due to her outstanding fingerprint comparison work, which led to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in a 31-year-old homicide case. In addition to the award, the FBI produced a video documenting the crime and the investigative work that followed. The Crime Lab is very proud of Senior Crime Lab Technician Casey.



### **Evidence/Property Squad**

The Evidence/Property Squad (E&P) securely stores and manages all evidence and property

collected by the agency. Throughout 2012, the OPD worked toward completion of a major project to renovate the E&P storage areas and update Squad procedures. This process necessitated an ongoing and thorough inspection and evaluation of evidence and property handling and storage procedures. A new bar-coding system was funded by the 2009 Recovery Act Justice Assistance Grant program. This system is a vast improvement over the previous system. That system was computer-based but did not include bar-coding, so it was far more prone to error. Conversion from the old system to the new system required a complete inventory and audit of all evidence and property held by the agency. As each item's information was transferred into the new tracking system, the item was located, tagged with a new bar-code sticker, and moved to a location inside a new high-density storage area.

This conversion process also necessitated continual evaluation of E&P policies and procedures. Physical reconstruction of the new storage area should be completed in the summer of 2013. Physical improvements enhanced E&P's security and storage capacity. The area is now monitored by a camera system, and key card access is required to enter. Firearms and drugs are stored in dedicated rooms that are separate from other types of evidence and property. A massive high-density electronic shelving system was also installed. This system maximizes storage space and improves shelving efficiency. Lighting and ventilation systems were upgraded, and are a vast improvement over previous conditions. The agency also purchased a pass-through locker system to ensure evidence and property accountability, and to maintain chain-of-custody during evening and weekend hours.

### **SPECIAL OPERATIONS SECTION**



The Criminal Investigations Bureau's Special Operations Section is commanded by Captain Rich Gonzalez. The Special Operations Section includes the Emergency Response Unit, the Gang Unit, and the Narcotics Unit.

#### **Emergency Response Unit**

The Emergency Response Unit (ERU) includes the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Squad,

Bomb Response Squad, Crisis Negotiations Squad, and Bomb Dog Squad. The ERU is also responsible for operating and staffing the Mobile Command Center for large events. The ERU includes 37 total members. With few exceptions, ERU personnel are permanently assigned to other full-time jobs within the agency and respond to perform ERU duties, as assigned, or in emergency situations.

#### **Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Squad**

The SWAT Squad completed 123 high-risk warrant entries; four barricaded gunman incidents; various React Team operations to protect undercover officers; two dignitary protection assignments; 27 additional SWAT deployments for a variety of high-risk assignments; and 176 hours of scheduled SWAT training.

#### **Bomb Response Squad**

The Bomb Response Squad handled 67 calls for explosives or suspicious devices; attended monthly three-day training for bomb technicians; participated with explosive detection canine teams in prevention and deterrence operations (College World Series, Berkshire-Hathaway shareholders meeting, high-profile events, etc.); continued two-day annual statewide Bomb Response Team training; completed more than 2,000 total officer hours of regular team training and more than 300 total officer hours of explosive breaching training; continued to coordinate the metro-wide Fireworks Amnesty Day with the Uniform Patrol Bureau and ATF; and completed three post-blast investigations.



#### **Crisis Negotiation Squad**

The Crisis Negotiation Squad includes negotiators trained to communicate with people experiencing a crisis situation who are threatening violence, including barricaded subjects, hostage takers, and persons threatening suicide, among other scenarios. In 2012, the Squad handled 13 incidents including 10 armed barricaded suspects, two suicidal parties and one hostage scenario. Squad members also completed more than 120 total hours of officer training.



## Gang Unit

The Gang Unit includes the Firearms Squad, Fugitive Squad, Gang Intelligence Squad, and two Gang Suppression Squads (north and south). Lieutenant Ken Kanger commands the unit's five sergeants, 30 officers, two civilian clerical employees, one civilian gang specialist, and two volunteers. Gang Unit officers and command staff participate in three federal task forces – the FBI Safe Streets Task Force, an ATF Task Force, and the U.S. Marshal's Metro Area Fugitive Task Force.

The Gang Unit is not only responsible for enforcement operations, but spends a great deal of time in the community conducting presentations and community visits. Personnel visit locations like the Boys and Girls Clubs, Victory Boxing Club, and many other organizations to speak with staff members and kids about the dangers of gang activity. Personnel also conduct presentations in local schools with youth and educators, and network with local social service personnel.

Implementation of the Gang Specialist has been integral to the department's commitment to community policing. Having someone with past experience in gang life to provide intervention and education to kids and young adults is invaluable, and shows the department's commitment to proactive strategies to reduce the number of youth involved in gangs. Gang Specialist Chevist Johnson was responsible for numerous school meetings, community meetings, and one-on-one interventions with at-risk youth.

## Firearms Squad

The Firearms Squad includes a sergeant and four detectives. Three of those detectives are task force officers who work closely with the local office of the ATF on long-term investigations relating to prohibited persons possessing firearms, straw purchase investigations, and other federal investigations, such as the arrest of three individuals for home invasion robberies. The Firearms Squad coordinated four gun amnesty events throughout the city. One event was held in each of the four OPD precincts. These events yielded 114 firearms, 27 five gallon buckets of ammunition, and four 50 gallon barrels of fireworks. The Firearms Squad, in conjunction with the ATF, was responsible for tracing more than 800 firearms.

## Fugitive Squad

The Fugitive Squad is a member of the Metro Area Fugitive Task Force, which is sponsored by the United States Marshal's Service. Since inception of the Metro Area Fugitive Task Force they have apprehended more than 10,000 fugitives in the metro area. The Fugitive Squad apprehended 1,107 fugitives in 2012, more than a dozen of whom were wanted for homicide or manslaughter charges. Hundreds of others were wanted for drug or weapons charges. Fifty or more cases related to fugitives that preyed on young children or were wanted for sexual assault, and more than forty of the fugitives were wanted for robbery charges.

## Gang Intelligence Squad

The Gang Intelligence Squad maintains and disseminates gang intelligence to investigative units and uniform officers within the department, as well as other law enforcement agencies. The Gang Unit and Intelligence Squad identified 128 new gang members in 2012 and removed 585 gang members. The Gang Intelligence Squad devotes staffing to the FBI's Greater Omaha Safe Streets Task Force, which was involved in several long-term investigations in 2012. Some of the investigations are ongoing, and will most likely result in numerous arrests for narcotics and drug offenses, when completed. The Task Force conducted "Operation Family Ties" and "Operation South Paw" in 2012. Operation Family Ties focused on a predominately south Omaha gang that refers to themselves as "Must Be Criminals" (MBC). The gang was involved in violent crime, narcotics and gun crimes. The operation netted 14 arrests, including federal and state charges, seizure of several firearms, forfeiture of three vehicles, and the seizure of more than \$60,000. The operation significantly impacted the criminal activity of the MBC street gang.

Operation South Paw also focused on illegal gang and narcotics activity. This drug trafficking organization had ties to Mexico, California, Missouri, Oklahoma, West Virginia, and Connecticut. As a result of this investigation, 17 people were indicted, more than 32 pounds of methamphetamine was recovered, and 46 vehicles and \$117,771 were seized. The methamphetamine recovered had a street value of more than one million dollars.

### Gang Suppression Squad

The Gang Suppression Squads work in the evening and are made up of two sergeants and roughly 14 officers. Squads are divided geographically to address illegal gang activity in north and south Omaha. These squads focus efforts on traffic enforcement, illegal drug and gun activity, and suppressing violence. They may focus on long-term investigations and search warrants, or more immediate operations in areas where crime is trending upward.

In 2012, the Gang Suppression Squads took part in “Operation Triple Beam-Counter Punch,” a three month cooperative effort with the United States Marshal’s Service. The operation was designed to reduce violent crime in the northeast precinct by focusing on the most violent, high profile gang members in the area. The Marshal’s Service rode with Gang Suppression officers during day and evening operations, which included Probation and Parole home visits, warrant sweeps, search warrant execution, and patrol operations. These operations resulted in more than 600 arrests, ranging from misdemeanor and traffic offenses to felony offenses. These operations also succeeded in taking 27 guns, several ounces of marijuana, and several grams of cocaine off the streets. Due to Operation Triple Beam-Counter Punch, the Marshal’s Service purchased a law enforcement telephone system (LETS) for the Omaha Police Department. This is a surveillance system that makes undercover work, as well as work with confidential informants, safer for officers and informants.

### Narcotics Unit

The Narcotics Unit investigates complaints from citizens and develops long-term cases leading to the interdiction of major drug suppliers. Narcotics Unit investigators follow-up on information generated and arrests made by Uniform Patrol Bureau officers. Officers also assist the Traffic Unit, Canine Squad, and Criminal Investigations Bureau with forfeiture when assets are seized.

As a result of several long-term investigations, working with other local, state and federal law enforcement agencies, numerous large-scale drug trafficking organizations were successfully dismantled. One day-shift investigation that involved methamphetamine sales in the Omaha area

led to 15 arrests, while another investigation resulted in the seizure of five pounds of methamphetamine.

Evening shift officers completed several long-term investigations, which led to the seizure of narcotics, numerous illegal firearms, and multiple arrests. One investigation resulted in four arrests and the seizure of five pounds of methamphetamine. Another investigation led to the seizure of more than 11 pounds of methamphetamine.

The Street Level Narcotics Squad was added in 2012. This squad investigated a case that resulted in 17 arrests or indictments and the seizure of 30 pounds of methamphetamine.

<b>Felony Arrests</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
Cocaine	71	72
Crack	169	125
Ecstasy	21	16
Marijuana	134	148
Methamphetamine	283	418
Heroin	11	11
LSD	1	2
Other	178	170
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>868</b>	<b>962</b>

<b>Drug Seizures*</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
Cocaine	18,573	2,785
Crack	1,447	1,210
Ecstasy	1,832	611
Marijuana	349,538	295,787
Methamphetamine	38,927	38,404
Heroin	132	4,558
LSD**	5	412
Other**	6,865	20,578

\*Measured in grams

\*\*Measured in dosage units

The Narcotics Unit is a part of the Metro Drug Task Force (MDTF). The MDTF is made up of several federal, state and local agencies including the ATF, FBI and DEA. MDTF investigations are centered in the Omaha metropolitan area, but many have ties to other states and countries. Several investigations in 2012 involved local gang members and resulted in numerous federal indictments. Crack cocaine, powder cocaine, methamphetamine, and numerous firearms were seized during MDTF investigations. The MDTF has taken many illicit drugs – including pounds of marijuana, cocaine and

methamphetamine – off the streets of Omaha. The MDTF also shut down several large marijuana growing operations in 2012.

### Criminal Intelligence Squad

The Criminal Intelligence Squad (CIS) monitored suspected terrorist organizations and organized crime figures with ties to the Omaha area. An officer from the CIS is assigned to work full-time with the Omaha Joint Terrorism Task Force to investigate domestic and international terrorism. The CIS continued to monitor outlaw motorcycle gangs and bookmakers in the Omaha area. The CIS collected necessary information to disseminate intelligence bulletins within the department, as well as to other agencies.

The CIS continued to develop the Metro Area Tri-County Terrorism Early Warning Group (TEWG). The TEWG is now fully operational and provides a centralized point of terrorism-related information gathering and dissemination of information to several law enforcement and civilian entities in the Omaha metro area. TEWG members of the Criminal Intelligence Squad set up, maintain and monitor a website dedicated to the terrorism early warning cause. That site can be found at [www.otewg.org](http://www.otewg.org).

### Special Operations / Vice Squad

The Special Operations / Vice Squad (SOVS) provided surveillance and support to both the Criminal Investigations and Uniform Patrol Bureaus. In addition, the SOVS assisted other local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

The SOVS provided support to the Uniform Patrol Bureau with vice enforcement, which included prostitution and lewd conduct operations. Officers provided assistance at several large events around the city, including the NCAA College World Series. Officers also conducted physical and electronic surveillance and assisted many units within the police department, as well as outside agencies involved in the MDTF. Officers utilized a variety of surveillance methods and equipment to build solid cases for successful prosecution. SOVS officers investigated vice crimes including alcohol and tobacco violations and prostitution. The SOVS is a member of the FBI's Innocence Lost Task Force. The SOVS conducted several long-term

investigations into human trafficking in the Omaha area. One investigation led to the conviction of an individual that admitted sexually assaulting 40 victims over a 30-year period. Another investigation led to the conviction of an individual for human trafficking and interstate prostitution. These investigations were multi-jurisdictional efforts that involved federal, state and local agencies.

## **POLICE SERVICES BUREAU**

The Police Services Bureau (PSB) is commanded by Deputy Chief M. Elizabeth Davis. The PSB includes the Air Support Unit, Information Technology Unit, Administrative Information Section and Support Services Section. The PSB Deputy Chief is also responsible for Fiscal Affairs, which monitors agency expenditures and manages the annual strategic budgeting process.

### **Air Support Unit**

The Air Support Unit provides professional services for the officers and citizens of Omaha, and serves surrounding communities, as needed. The Air Support Unit includes seven highly trained and skilled pilots, two part-time officers and two aviation mechanics. Pilots and mechanics are under the command of Lieutenant Mike Davis, who also pilots the helicopter, when needed. The Air Support Unit has an active patrol fleet of two Bell Jet Ranger helicopters, purchased in 2008, one OH-58 helicopter, and another OH-58 that is used only for flight training.



In 2012, the Air Support Unit completed 1,112.9 flight hours; responded to 10,021 calls for service (5,987 officer-initiated; 1,397 radio; and 2,637 assignments); 114 pursuits (33 vehicle and 81 foot); 64 outside agency assists; and 38 unit presentations.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION SECTION**

The Administrative Information Section delivers specialized support services to the Omaha Police Department, other law enforcement agencies, and the community. The Section includes the Records Unit, Inspections Unit, and Human Resources Unit.

## **Records Unit**

The Records Unit copies, scans and files all police reports, and maintains and monitors control of the Oracle Imaging System for the agency. The Records Unit also processes all requests for service regarding criminal history checks, reports, and records of arrest for the department, outside agencies, and the public. In 2012, the Records Unit processed 12,049 report copies; 7,881 criminal history requests; and 2,965 juvenile court seals.

## **Data Center**

The Data Center processed approximately 88,000 reports and more than 25,000 citations from street officers, and provided all record checks and support information via the radio talk group system, with more than 471,000 transmissions from Channel 5 and Channel 6. The Data Center handles all teletype communications and NCIC functions including training for the department and surrounding law enforcement agencies. The Data Center has consistently met its goals for CompStat and the Prosecutor's office. In June, the Data Center took over verification input and verification of traffic citations. In 2012, the Data Center processed 88,175 incident reports; 1,223 street releases; and 25,433 criminal citations; processed and verified 43,767 traffic citations; and completed 471,133 radio checks and calls for service.

## **Inspections Unit**

The Inspections Unit functions as an information resource for the Chief of Police. This information includes uniform regulation compliance, rules and procedure compliance for all bureaus, and generally any information that effects day-to-day operations of the agency. The Unit's objective is to evaluate department policies and procedures and offer constructive suggestions to better the department. The Inspections Unit conducts staff inspections of all units that include worksites, equipment, and working conditions. Each organizational unit is inspected at least once every three years. The Unit also conducts quarterly audits of units where money or other valuables are kept. These audits ensure proper handling of money and property, as well as proper documentation. The Unit also oversees off-duty employment by conducting pre-inspections on businesses wishing to have an Omaha police officer work off-duty at their business. Surprise onsite inspections are completed to make sure officers

working off-duty are operating within standard operating procedures.

## **Human Resources Unit**

The Human Resources Unit is supervised by Office Manager Shelley Lesac and provides a variety of service and support functions. These include coordinating hiring and personnel actions; applying rules of labor contracts and the Omaha Municipal Code in areas relevant to Human Resources; and managing payroll/timekeeping functions.

Accomplishments for 2012 include updating the personnel management system and implementing a new timekeeping system. The new personnel management system allows for more detailed tracking of personnel assignments, budget allocations, and other historical information. The new City of Omaha timekeeping system offers increased efficiency, scheduling solutions, and reporting capabilities that were not previously available. Civilian personnel in the Omaha Police Department were moved to the new timekeeping system in June 2012.

## **SUPPORT SERVICES SECTION**

The Support Services Section, commanded by Captain Adam Kyle, provides informational and specific support services. The Section includes the Customer Services Unit, Fleet/Facilities Unit, Vehicle Impound Unit, and Police Supply Unit.

### **Customer Services Unit**

The Customer Services Unit is supervised by Lieutenant David Sedlacek and is comprised of the Front Desk Squad, Information Services Squad, and Court Liaison Squad. Each of these squads has different responsibilities and works independently of one another.

#### **Front Desk Squad**

The Front Desk Squad includes two sergeants, seven officers, nine information services technicians, three part-time retired officers, and one clerk-messenger. The Front Desk operates 24-hours-a-day and is the first point of contact for the public at central police headquarters. Personnel handle public inquiries, incoming phone calls, and requests from police officers. The squad is responsible for registering handguns, issuing taxi permits, providing fingerprint services, selling

police reports, processing criminal history requests, and a variety of other services. In 2012, the Front Desk Squad handled 3,609 gun registrations; processed 150 taxi permits; sold 4,737 police reports; and completed 1,390 criminal history requests. In 2012, the Front Desk also began the duty of reviewing ATF applications for NFA guns.

**Information Services Squad**

The Information Services Squad includes four police officers and one part-time clerk to handle a variety of tasks to include answering telephone calls, data entry, and processing court subpoenas. In 2012, the Squad began tracking Courtesy Citations by computer, which is a much more efficient way to keep track of the thousands of courtesy citations issued each month.

**Court Liaison Squad**

The Court Liaison Squad includes one sergeant and one officer who work with the City Prosecutor’s Office to cancel officers who are not needed for court, and to investigate cases of wrong party identification.

**Fleet and Facilities Unit**

In 2012, the Fleet and Facilities Unit brought the new Canine Unit facility into operation; completed first floor demolition work at central police headquarters; brought 20 new police cruisers, 12 unmarked vehicles, two trailers, and one forklift into the vehicle fleet; submitted more than 260 work orders to Public Works Facilities Management for building repairs; and completed more than 600 work requests for items such as phone repairs, moving furniture, and small building repairs, etc.

**EXECUTIVE SERVICES BUREAU**

The Executive Services Bureau (ESB) is commanded by Deputy Chief Gregory Gonzalez. The ESB Deputy Chief oversees the Professional Standards Section, which includes the Backgrounds Unit, Neighborhood Services Unit, Research and Planning Unit, and Training Unit.

**PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS SECTION**



The Professional Standards Section is commanded by Captain Diana Kelly and includes the Backgrounds Unit, Neighborhood Services Unit, Research and

Planning Unit, and Training Unit. The Professional Standards Section is also responsible for duties as assigned by the Executive Services Bureau Deputy Chief.

**Backgrounds Unit**

The Backgrounds Unit is commanded by Lieutenant Cathy Cook. The Unit includes four detectives, one sergeant, and one part-time clerk-typist. Backgrounds employees are active police officers who work full-time to evaluate the qualifications of sworn and non-sworn job applicants. Officers investigate relevant information concerning applicants’ integrity, past behavior, and previous job performance in order to forecast future job performance. Backgrounds officers complete thorough, fair, equal and unbiased background investigations.

In 2012, the Background Unit investigated over 300 police applicants and seven arson investigators to fill 35 spots in Recruit Class #1-12. The class began on August 6<sup>th</sup> with 29 recruit officers and six arson investigators. The Unit also performed background investigations on more than 400 civilian job applicants. A total of 352 civilians were cleared for various positions within the OPD and other City of Omaha departments. This included a record number of contractor background investigations due to the OPD’s various remodeling projects. In addition, the Backgrounds Unit assisted the Training Unit by investigating retired officers from multiple agencies who wished to participate in the Retired Concealed Carry Shoot, and participated in 15 career fairs and numerous speaking engagements.

<b>Backgrounds Unit Activities - 2012</b>		
	<b>Received</b>	<b>Assigned</b>
<b>Police Applicants</b>	2,122	300+
<b>Arson Investigators</b>	7	7
<b>Civilian Applicants</b>	420	400

Police applicants were selected from the 2010 applicant pool, and no new applications were accepted. During a typical recruitment cycle, Backgrounds works extensively with local media outlets to publicize open police officer positions. This includes purchasing billboards, radio and newspaper ads, and posting notices in public buildings. The OPD has a dedicated website for recruitment with links to the recruitment brochure and a question/answer page. The use of social

media also helps keep potential applicants informed and up-to-date on the hiring process, and serves to increase the number of police officer applications received.

The Backgrounds Unit emphasizes recruiting qualified female applicants. In 2012, the Unit continued to strive toward this goal by ensuring female police officers attended career fairs, recruitment events, and other agency events that involved the public. Female officers are also depicted on the “Join OPD” website and in various recruitment materials. Backgrounds hosted three Women in Law Enforcement panel discussions. These panels provided an opportunity for women considering applying to the OPD to ask questions and speak with current female officers. This communicates to perspective future applicants and the general public that the OPD is a female-friendly workplace.

The Backgrounds Unit also emphasizes recruiting qualified minority applicants, and continued to work toward that goal in 2012 by depicting officers of various races and ethnicities in recruitment materials. Additionally, officers of various races and ethnicities represented the OPD at career fairs, recruitment events, and other public events. The OPD continues to strive to build an agency workforce that reflects the demographic diversity of the Omaha area by reducing the statistical difference between the percentage of ethnic minorities available in the workforce and the percentage of ethnic minorities employed by the agency.

**Neighborhood Services Unit**

The Neighborhood Services Unit (NSU) assists the public with problem resolution and prevention programs. The NSU includes the School Resource Officer Middle School Squad, School Resource Officer High School Squad, Community Resource Center, Nuisance Task Force Squad, Prevention Programs Squad, Business Watch Squad, and Truancy Officer Squad. Lieutenant Steve King commands the Neighborhood Services Unit.

**School Resource Officer Squad**

In 1995, the OPD partnered with local school districts to implement the School Resource Officer (SRO) program. The goal of the SRO program is to

enhance police relations with students, parents, and school staff, and to promote positive youth citizenship by utilizing both police and school district resources. The agency currently has 16 SROs working middle schools and 16 SROs working in high schools. Three roving SROs fill in when necessary. Participating districts include the Omaha Public Schools, Millard Public Schools, Elkhorn Public Schools, and Westside Community Schools.

<b>SRO Activities</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
Incident Reports	2,531	3,355
Arrests – felony	41	22
Arrests – misdemeanor	673	615
Traffic Citation	20	27
Assist to Patrol/Detective	569	643

**Community Resource Center**

The Community Resource Center (CRC) acts as a liaison between the OPD and neighborhood watch groups, neighborhood associations, community groups, and individuals who want to help with



crime prevention and problem solving. The CRC helps develop and promote a better, safer quality of life by utilizing a variety of crime prevention resources and programs. The CRC

schedules meetings to solve community problems; assists in documenting illegal drug and gang activity; helps initiate neighborhood watch groups; connects individuals with neighborhood associations; provides information on various code enforcement issues; and arranges speakers for community organizations and clubs, including annual citywide events such as the Safety Expo (63,035 attendees), Scout Day (522 attendees); and Kindergarten Traffic Training (300 attendees). The CRC also made 522 community presentations and managed 920 neighborhood watch groups.

**Nuisance Task Force Squad**

The Nuisance Task Force Squad (NTFS) handles only the most serious violations of nuisance litter complaints reported to the Mayor’s Hotline. In 2012, NTFS officers responded to 845 Mayor’s Hotline complaints; issued 1,554 nuisance notices (achieving compliance on 936); towed 255 vehicles;

and completed 205 vehicle checks. It should be noted that the NTFS was not staffed for a good portion of the year due to personnel needs in other areas.

### Prevention Programs Squad

In 2012, the Prevention Programs Squad presented crime prevention information to schools and community groups, offered safety patrol training to students, conducted 127 school safety audits, attracted up to 51 Explorer Program members at a time (depending on the phase), and conducted elementary school outreach. Officers also gave 522 presentations to schools and community groups regarding topics such as stranger danger, police officer duties, and bike safety.

### Business Watch Squad

The Business Watch Squad offers crime prevention tips to the Omaha business community and enables area businesses to network in an effort to decrease crime. The Business Watch Squad provides Business Watch, Crime Free Multi-Housing, Crime Prevention through Environmental Design, and Closed Property programs. The Squad also issues business alerts regarding robberies, burglaries, internal and external theft, bad check detection, workplace violence, employee safety, and options to ban and bar problem individuals from their property. Upon request, Business Squad Officers conduct security audits of business properties. In 2012, the Squad made 525 business contacts, and conducted 59 full security business property audits and numerous partial audits.

### Research and Planning Unit

The Research and Planning Unit (R&P) includes two R&P Specialists, one Grant Writer, and one part-time retired sergeant. R&P conducts research into department needs; analyzes data; reviews general orders, legislative bills, state statutes, city ordinances, standard operating procedures manuals, and periodicals to learn of needed procedural changes; produces reports to explain research findings; drafts and reviews general and information orders; manages changes to OPD standard operating procedures and narrative reports; maintains and updates the OPD standard operating procedures master copy; surveys other agencies to discover improved methods, policies, and procedures; responds to surveys from other agencies; creates

new and revised agency forms; participates in committee meetings to develop the direction and scope of plans for future projects; and produces the agency's annual report.

### Training Unit

The Training Unit is commanded by Lieutenant Mark Desler, and includes three sergeants, nine officers, one retired sergeant, and one retired officer. In 2012, the Training Unit also included three temporarily-assigned officers.

*Recruit Academy Curriculum:* One of the Training Unit's most important accomplishments of 2012 was managing a complete overhaul of the OPD Recruit Academy curriculum. In 2011, the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center (NLETC) completed a statewide job task analysis (2011 JTA). The 2011 JTA established a list of approximately 500 tasks which need to be covered during police academy training. In order to certify the OPD Recruit Academy, the Training Unit staff had to identify each task in a lesson plan, establish a performance objective for each task, and develop a means of testing each objective. Training Unit staff spent many hours working on their lesson plans while simultaneously teaching the 2012 department-wide in-service course. Each lesson plan for the entire 24-week recruit academy was either updated to conform to the new format, or created from scratch to cover new tasks. In the end, instructors completed 135 lesson plans ranging in length from five to 50 pages. In addition, nearly every lesson plan had an accompanying PowerPoint that was created or updated to accommodate the new NLETC-mandated material.



The Training Unit used this opportunity to centralize all lesson plans into a single database. In the past, each instructor stored his/her own lesson plans. As instructors left the Training Unit, lesson plans were sometimes lost. Now all lesson plans,

PowerPoint documents, and supporting documentation are stored online and backed-up on academy computer drives. This material is available for review and can be easily located for future use.

On October 3<sup>rd</sup>, the NLETC inspected the OPD Training Academy using the new standards. Our Training Unit is believed to be the first in the state to update its curriculum to the 2011 JTA standards, ahead of even the NLETC. The Police Standards Advisory Council approved the Training Unit’s recruit academy curriculum on October 17<sup>th</sup>. State law mandates that a statewide job task analysis must be held every eight years. The end result of the Training Unit’s efforts is that the OPD Recruit Academy curriculum is now set for the next eight years, with updates made as needed.

*In-Service Training:* The 2012 in-service training course was a nine-month endeavor for the Training Unit staff. The course began in February, was suspended in July and August, and ended in December. The course was divided into approximately 22 hours of classroom instruction and 10 hours of practical activities. Much of the practical training involved recertifying the entire department to use the lateral vascular neck restraint (LVNR) technique, as well as shotgun training and qualification. In-service training alone kept the Training Unit staff very busy, as all staff members participated.

**2012 Training Hours**

	<b>Hours</b>
Captains	8
Lieutenants	95
Sergeants	344
Officers	1,922
Guests	639
Non-Sworn	44
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,052</b>

Officers Jon Edwards and Eric White were especially busy with LVNR classes. While the Training Unit did have a cadre of adjunct instructors, Edwards and White consistently taught a block of instruction. Both did a tremendous job maintaining enthusiasm for the material and producing quality instruction. Once recruit class #1-12 commenced, both Edwards and White found themselves teaching defensive tactics four to five times a week. They also spent a considerable

amount of time in the mat room teaching this course, but the quality of instruction remained consistent.

*Patrol Rifle Certification:* Senior patrol rifle instructors successfully certified 310 officers in the use of the patrol rifle. Instructors taught two full patrol rifle certification courses and managed more than 20 recertification courses. Senior patrol rifle instructors spent 26 days on the range, during which time trainees safely fired 119,750 rounds for training purposes. Instructors also taught rifle retention strategies, and handed out 300 medical “go-bags” to patrol rifle-certified personnel. Officers Wes Elkins, Devin Crinklaw, Tim Ringhoff, Andy Bensalah, and Thad Trosper were instrumental in successful training completion. Each officer spent many long, hot days on the gun range providing quality instruction. They did this while balancing other academy needs, such as the in-service training and recruit class. Retired Sergeant Kurt Sorys and Officer Jeff Crouch each assisted with the patrol rifle program throughout the year. Due to the busy schedule of the primary rifle instructors, there were times when instructors were not available on the range. Sorys and Crouch, who are both firearms instructors, volunteered on numerous occasions to work the rifle range as a “range safety.” Their assistance contributed to keeping the rifle range running smoothly and safely.

*Recruit Class 1-12:* Recruit Class #1-12 commenced on August 6<sup>th</sup>, though much of the preparation for the class started in January. The Training Unit staff prepared new lesson plans, updated old lesson plans, and created new classroom PowerPoint presentations. The staff did an outstanding job preparing for the class, and did an event better job ensuring the 24-week academy ran smoothly while simultaneously preparing for and teaching the department-wide in-service course. Whenever scheduling conflicts arose, the staff did an outstanding job of adjusting to the problem and completing their work effectively and on-time.

**Honor Guard**

The OPD Honor Guard was established in 1954 as a volunteer organization devoted to representing the OPD in a positive manner through various civic functions. The Honor Guard currently includes 28 members who serve without regard to rank. The



Honor Guard president, vice president, secretary, and sergeant of arms are elected every two years to manage the Honor Guard. These officeholders serve a one-year term beginning on May 15<sup>th</sup> of each year. Current officers include President Matthew Kelly, Vice President Mitch Robinson, Secretary Leigh Culver, and Sergeant of Arms Harmon Moss. Training takes place every other month and is a combined effort with other metro area honor guards. Training includes a drill ceremony, firing party detail, casket bearing, flag folding and presentation, and color guard training. Training normally occurs at the Nebraska National Guard Armory at 6929 Mercy Road, with onsite training at one of two local funeral homes and at local cemeteries.

In 2011, the OPD formed a Pipe and Drums Corps to provide ceremonial services at public events such

as parades, funerals, and other civic functions. The ultimate goal is to fully staff the Pipe and Drums Corps with five drummers and ten bagpipers (the Corps currently includes two drummers and two bagpipers). The Pipe and Drums Corps falls under the Honor Guard administratively, but is organized separately. Officer Nathan Keenan, the elected Pipe and Drums Major, currently commands the Corps.

In the year 2012, the OPD Honor Guard participated in 36 events. These events included 16 color guard presentations, 11 funerals, one parade, and eight additional events. The OPD Pipe and Drums Corps participated in five events during the year. These events included two funerals, one public concert, one parade, and the Police Memorial Day ceremony.

## REPORTED CRIME COMPARISON

UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING (UCR) IS A SYSTEM DEVELOPED AND ADMINISTERED BY THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION TO STANDARDIZE AND FACILITATE THE UNIFORM COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS OF CRIME DATA IN THE UNITED STATES. THE PROGRAM PROVIDES A NATIONWIDE VIEW OF CRIME BASED ON THE SUBMISSION OF STATISTICS BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. BECAUSE OF THEIR SERIOUSNESS AND FREQUENCY OF OCCURRENCE, SEVEN PART I OFFENSES (CRIMINAL HOMICIDE, FORCIBLE RAPE, ROBBERY, AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, BURGLARY, LARCENY-THEFT, AND MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT) WERE CHOSEN TO COMPRISE A CRIME INDEX AND SERVE AS INDICATORS OF OUR NATION'S CRIME EXPERIENCE.

NUMBER OF PART I OFFENSES	REPORTING QUARTER		2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		2012 VS 2011	
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YEAR-TO-DATE 2011	PERCENT CHANGE		
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE	12	8	+50%	41	43	-5%		
FORCIBLE RAPE	41	48	-15%	187	220	-15%		
ROBBERY	260	184	+41%	815	696	+17%		
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	342	407	-16%	1,442	1,350	+7%		
BURGLARY	965	959	+1%	3,311	3,321	0%		
LARCENY-THEFT	3,389	3,177	+7%	13,120	12,793	+3%		
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	710	605	+17%	2,747	2,650	+4%		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>5,719</b>	<b>5,388</b>	<b>+6%</b>	<b>21,663</b>	<b>21,073</b>	<b>+3%</b>		

CLEARANCES OF PART I OFFENSES *	REPORTING QUARTER		2012 VS 2011		AMOUNT OF % CHANGE	YEAR-TO-DATE		2012 VS 2011		AMOUNT OF % CHANGE
	NUMBER CLEARED	PERCENT CLEARED	NUMBER CLEARED	PERCENT CLEARED		NUMBER CLEARED	PERCENT CLEARED	NUMBER CLEARED	PERCENT CLEARED	
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE	3	25%	4	50%	-25%	19	46%	25	58%	-12%
FORCIBLE RAPE	21	51%	30	63%	-11%	102	55%	123	56%	-1%
ROBBERY	120	46%	65	35%	11%	291	36%	250	36%	0%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	214	63%	232	57%	+6%	809	56%	784	58%	-2%
BURGLARY	81	8%	86	9%	-1%	304	9%	390	12%	-3%
LARCENY-THEFT	906	27%	1,056	33%	-7%	3,677	28%	4,270	33%	-5%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	97	14%	114	19%	-5%	407	15%	397	15%	0%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,442</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>1,587</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>-4%</b>	<b>5,609</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>6,239</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>-4%</b>

\* FIGURES INCLUDE CLEARANCES OF INCIDENTS REPORTED PRIOR TO CURRENT UCR REPORTING MONTH

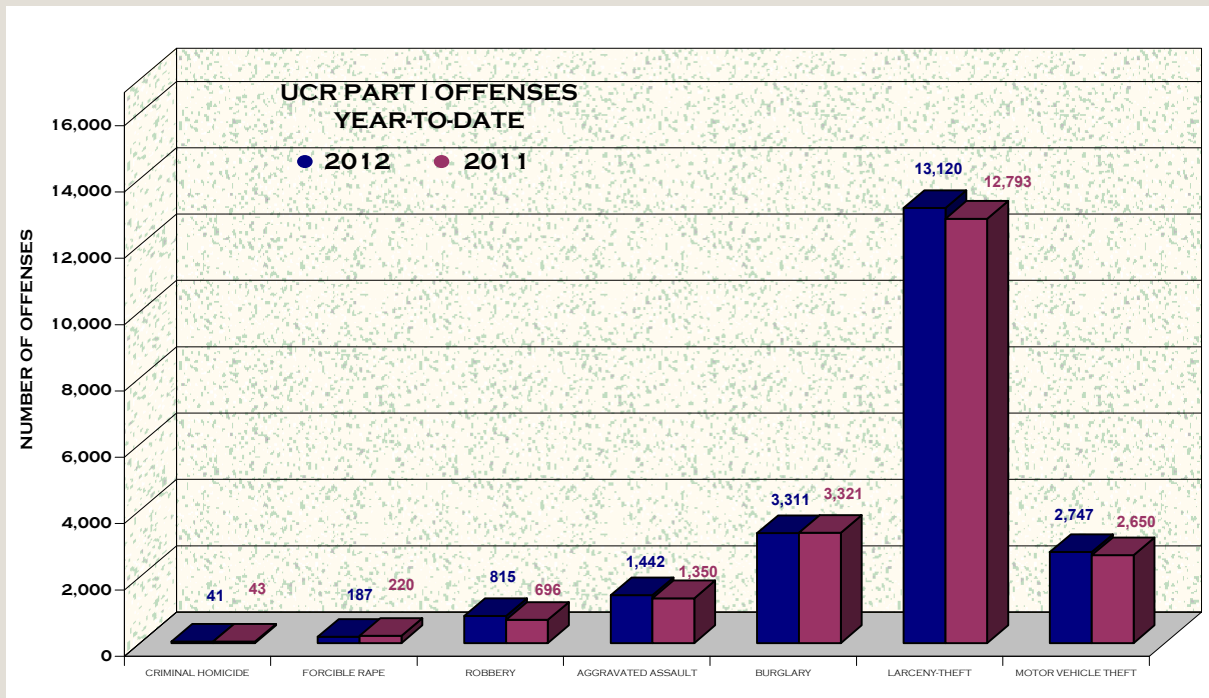
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## ARREST COMPARISON

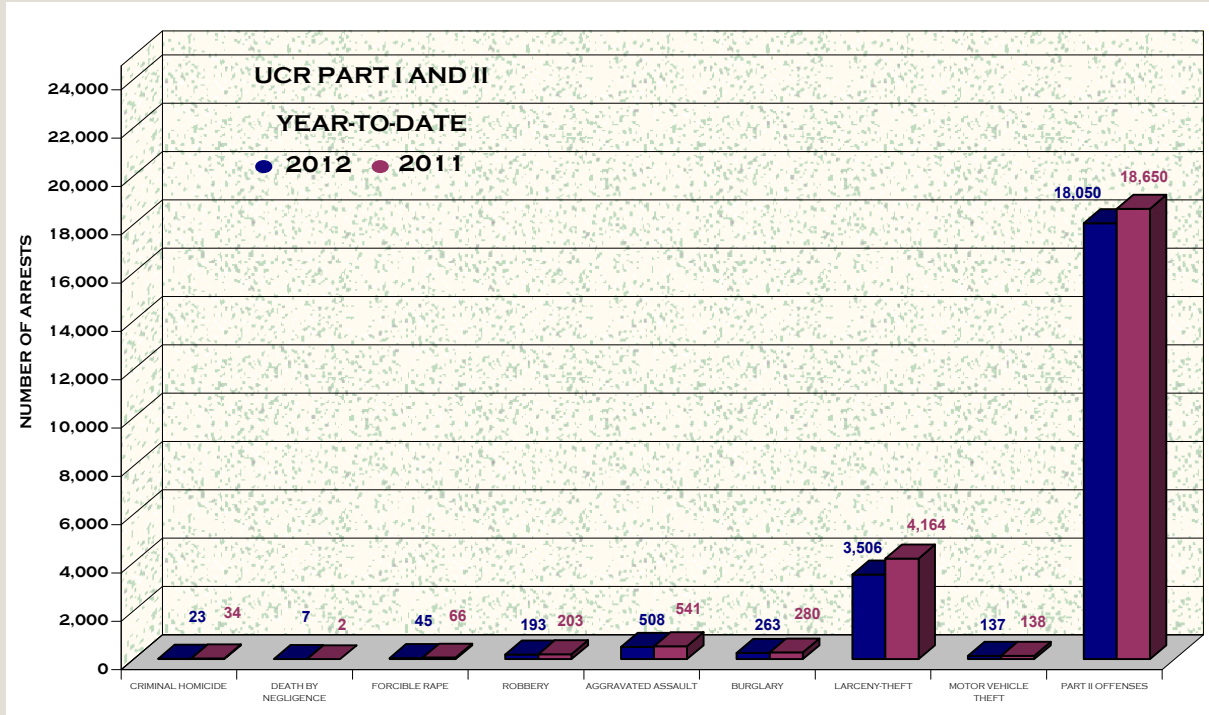
ARRESTS FOR UCR PART I AND II OFFENSES	REPORTING QUARTER	2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
MURDER-MANSLAUGHTER	5	3	+67%	23	34	-32%
DEATH BY NEGLIGENCE	2	0	n.c.	7	2	+250%
FORCIBLE RAPE	10	11	-9%	45	66	-32%
ROBBERY	67	65	+3%	193	203	-5%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	132	135	-2%	508	541	-6%
BURGLARY	65	78	-17%	263	280	-6%
LARCENY-THEFT	898	1,093	-18%	3,506	4,164	-16%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	29	41	-29%	137	138	-1%
<b>ARRESTS PART I OFFENSES - TOTAL</b>	<b>1,208</b>	<b>1,426</b>	<b>-15%</b>	<b>4,682</b>	<b>5,428</b>	<b>-14%</b>
ASSAULT, MISDEMEANOR	359	439	-18%	1,641	1,869	-12%
ARSON	4	10	-60%	25	34	-26%
FORGERY, COUNTERFEITING	31	31	0%	126	145	-13%
FRAUD	121	120	+1%	463	375	+23%
EMBEZZLEMENT	8	14	-43%	29	35	-17%
STOLEN PROPERTY BUY, RECEIVE, POSSESS	124	99	+25%	402	357	+13%
VANDALISM / DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	178	178	0%	820	810	+1%
WEAPONS, CARRY OR POSSESS	100	100	0%	452	377	+20%
PROSTITUTION	25	37	-32%	175	119	+47%
SEX OFFENSES (EXCL RAPE)	38	62	-39%	234	211	+11%
DRUG LAW VIOLATIONS	690	863	-20%	3,062	3,024	+1%
GAMBLING	1	1	0%	2	3	-33%
AGAINST FAMILY AND CHILDREN	69	106	-35%	331	387	-14%
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	783	992	-21%	3,213	3,744	-14%
LIQUOR VIOLATIONS	358	449	-20%	2,156	2,038	+6%
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	249	271	-8%	1,046	1,166	-10%
LOITERING, PROWLING, CURFEW	0	3	-100%	1	3	-67%
OTHER (EXCEPT TRAFFIC)	850	911	-7%	3,872	3,953	-2%
<b>ARRESTS PART II OFFENSES - TOTAL</b>	<b>3,988</b>	<b>4,686</b>	<b>-15%</b>	<b>18,050</b>	<b>18,650</b>	<b>-3%</b>
<b>TOTAL ARRESTS</b>	<b>5,196</b>	<b>6,112</b>	<b>-15%</b>	<b>22,732</b>	<b>24,078</b>	<b>-6%</b>

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## OFFENSE COMPARISON UCR PART I OFFENSES



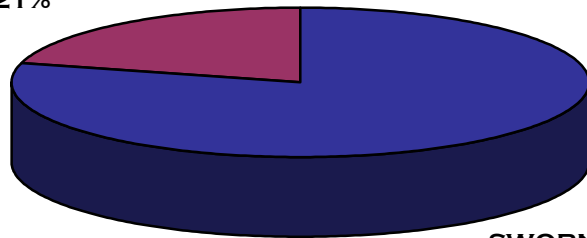
## ARREST COMPARISON UCR PART I AND II OFFENSES



## PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT

PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT DECEMBER 2012	BUDGETED PERSONNEL		ACTUAL PERSONNEL	
	SWORN	NON- SWORN	SWORN	NON- SWORN
TOTAL PERSONNEL	799	177	790	207

NON-SWORN  
21%



SWORN  
79%

SWORN - NON-SWORN PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT

## CALLS FOR SERVICE 911 / TELEPHONE REPORTING

911 CALLS FOR SERVICE	REPORTING QUARTER	2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
911 CALLS RECEIVED	50,984	52,495	-3%	217,149	218,446	-1%
DAILY CALLS - AVERAGE	554	571	-3%	595	598	-1%
OFFICER-INITIATED TRAFFIC STOPS	9,100	12,561	-28%	40,602	49,614	-18%
RESPONSE TIME (MM/SS) CALL TO ARRIVAL - AVG	0:09:04	0:08:40	+5%	0:08:52	0:08:31	+4%
PRIORITY I	0:06:18	0:06:31	-3%	0:06:27	0:06:15	+3%
PRIORITY II	0:11:50	0:10:50	+9%	0:11:16	0:10:48	+4%

TELEPHONE RESPONSE SQUAD	REPORTING QUARTER	2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
REPORT MADE	4,463	4,345	+3%	17,119	16,973	+1%
INCIDENTS REPORTED	4,867	4,639	+5%	18,578	18,434	+1%
NO REPORT MADE	1,781	1,567	+14%	6,812	6,679	+2%
REFERRAL TO 911	645	671	-4%	2,611	2,651	-2%
LEFT MESSAGE	3,608	3,342	+8%	14,497	14,310	+1%
UNABLE TO CONTACT	532	630	-16%	2,447	2,772	-12%
<b>TOTAL ACTIVITY</b>	<b>15,896</b>	<b>15,194</b>	<b>+5%</b>	<b>62,064</b>	<b>61,819</b>	<b>0%</b>

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# SPECIALIZED ACTIVITY

## AIR SUPPORT

AIR SUPPORT	REPORTING QUARTER	2011 VS 2012		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
FLIGHT HOURS	228.4	274.5	-17%	1,112.9	1,116.3	0%
TOTAL ACTIVITY	2,136	3,019	-29%	10,021	10,427	-4%
OFFICER INVOLVED	1,253	2,064	-39%	5,987	6,505	-8%
RADIO CALLS	288	458	-37%	1,397	1,517	-8%
ASSIGNMENTS	595	497	+20%	2,637	2,405	10%
TOTAL PURSUITS*	23	16	+44%	114	90	+27%
VEHICLE	8	7	+14%	33	32	+3%
FOOT	15	9	+67%	81	58	+40%
OUTSIDE AGENCY ASSISTANCE	7	49	-86%	64	160	-60%
UNIT PRESENTATION	14	9	+56%	38	52	-27%

\* MAY INCLUDE ASSISTS TO OUTSIDE AGENCIES

## CANINE UNIT

CANINE	REPORTING QUARTER	2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
CALLS FOR SERVICE	469	387	+21%	1,729	1,271	+36%
ARRESTS	94	80	+18%	254	200	+27%
SEARCHES - TOTAL	63	63	0%	275	167	+65%
AREA	32	24	+33%	145	65	+123%
BUILDING	31	35	-11%	120	90	+33%
EVIDENCE	0	4	-100%	10	12	-17%

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## COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

ACTIVITY	REPORTING QUARTER	2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER PRESENTATIONS	93	70	+33%	495	305	+62%
NUISANCE TASK FORCE MAYOR'S ACTION LINE COMPLAINTS	221	46	+380%	307	1,380	-78%
NUISANCE NOTICES ISSUED	195	86	+127%	309	1,633	-81%
VEHICLE TOWS	99	15	+560%	138	270	-49%
COMPLIED VEHICLE CHECKS	205	103	+99%	341	1,860	-82%
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH GROUPS	229	229	0%	918	912	+1%
BUSINESS WATCH CONTACTS/FOLLOW-UPS	162	69	+135%	525	330	+59%
PRECINCT COMMUNITY MEETINGS - TOTAL	127	124	+2%	508	464	+9%
NORTHWEST PRECINCT	34	28	+21%	108	105	+3%
NORTHEAST PRECINCT	8	10	-20%	46	51	-10%
SOUTHEAST PRECINCT	66	57	+16%	284	249	+14%
SOUTHWEST PRECINCT	19	29	-34%	70	59	+19%

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER ACTIVITY	REPORTING QUARTER	2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
INCIDENT REPORTS	1,080	704	+53%	3,355	2,531	+33%
ARRESTS - FELONY	9	14	-36%	22	41	-46%
ARRESTS - MISDEMEANOR	164	232	-29%	615	673	-9%
CITATIONS - TRAFFIC	3	8	-63%	27	20	+35%
ASSISTS TO PATROL/DETECTIVES	194	147	+32%	643	569	+13%

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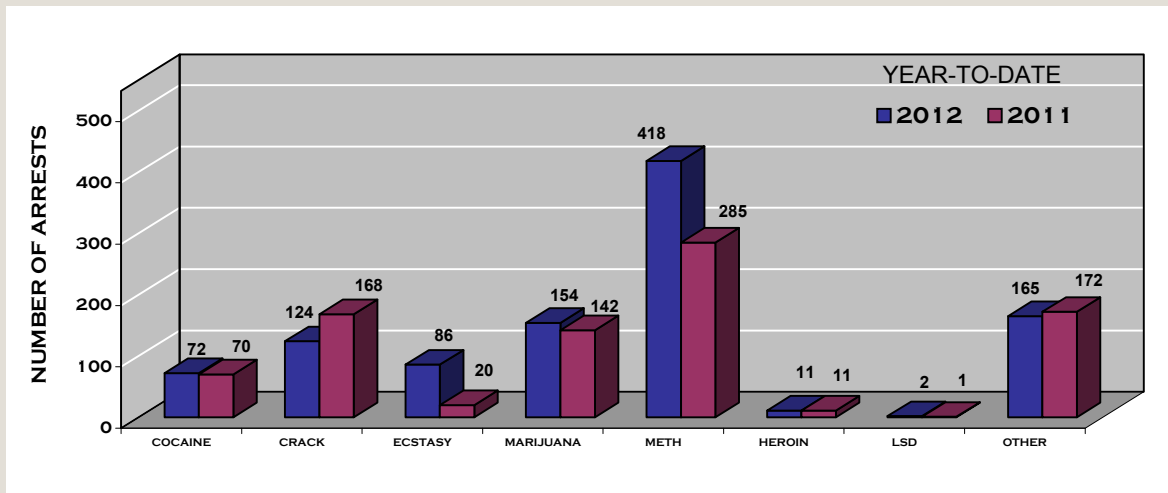


## DRUG ENFORCEMENT

DRUG ENFORCEMENT ARRESTS AND SEIZURES	REPORTING QUARTER	2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
<b>FELONY ARRESTS - TOTAL</b>	<b>236</b>	209	+13%	<b>962</b>	869	+11%
COCAINE	15	21	-29%	72	70	+3%
CRACK	17	41	-59%	124	168	-26%
ECSTASY	4	6	-33%	86	20	+330%
MARIJUANA	38	49	-22%	154	142	+8%
METHAMPHETAMINES	112	57	+96%	418	285	+47%
HEROIN	7	3	+133%	11	11	0%
LSD	0	0	n.c.	2	1	+100%
OTHER	43	32	+34%	162	172	-6%
<b>SEIZURES*</b>						
COCAINE	175	9,066	-98%	2,787	18,572	-85%
CRACK	172	340	-49%	1,212	1,449	-16%
ECSTASY	62	44	+41%	611	1,832	-67%
MARIJUANA	84,212	53,439	+58%	295,684	349,408	-15%
METHAMPHETAMINES	11,917	3,769	+216%	38,405	38,931	-1%
HEROIN	4,557	77	+5818%	4,558	133	+3327%
LSD**	0	0	n.c.	412	5	+8140%
OTHER**	623	6,837	-91%	20,854	12,040	+73%

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\* WEIGHT = GRAMS  
\*\* WEIGHT = DOSAGE UNITS



## GANG ACTIVITY

NUMBER OF PART I OFFENSES*	REPORTING QUARTER	YEAR TO DATE
	OCT - DEC 2012	YTD 2012
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE	2	10
FORCIBLE RAPE	0	2
ROBBERY	4	15
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	15	107
BURGLARY	6	22
LARCENY-THEFT	2	30
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	7	30
<b>TOTAL ACTIVITY:</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>216</b>

ARRESTS FOR PART I OFFENSES**	REPORTING QUARTER	YEAR TO DATE
	OCT - DEC 2012	YTD 2012
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE	1	8
FORCIBLE RAPE	4	12
ROBBERY	32	64
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	7	51
BURGLARY	16	63
LARCENY-THEFT	18	157
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	4
<b>TOTAL ACTIVITY:</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>359</b>

GANG RELATED ARRESTS FOR PWID AND FIREARMS	REPORTING QUARTER	YEAR TO DATE
	OCT - DEC 2012	YTD 2012
POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DELIVER NARCOTICS	3	29
FIREARMS	31	138
<b>TOTAL ACTIVITY:</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>167</b>

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE***	REPORTING QUARTER	YEAR TO DATE
	OCT - DEC 2012	YTD 2012
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	39	204

GANG MEMBERS	REPORTING QUARTER	YEAR TO DATE
	OCT - DEC 2012	YTD 2012
NEW GANG MEMBERS	42	128
DELETED GANG MEMBERS	107	585
SUSPECTED GANG MEMBERS	3,029	3,029
SUSPECTED NUMBER OF GANGS	81	81

\* GANG RELATED VICTIMS FOR PART 1 OFFENSES

\*\* GANG RELATED ARRESTS FOR PART 1 OFFENSES

\*\*\* GANG RELATED VICTIMS AND ARRESTS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSES

GANG RELATED: AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS KNOWN TO BE A GANG MEMBER OR ASSOCIATE

## MOUNTED PATROL

MOUNTED PATROL	REPORTING QUARTER	2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
<b>CALLS FOR SERVICE</b>						
ARRESTS	58	15	+287%	1,248	173	+621%
TRAFFIC STOPS	169	126	+34%	365	516	-29%
CITATIONS	760	340	+124%	1,366	2,944	-54%
<b>ASSIGNMENTS</b>	<b>2,067</b>	1,718	+20%	<b>18,448</b>	8,935	+106%

## INTERNAL AFFAIRS ACTIVITY

ACTIVITY*	REPORTING QUARTER	2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
<b>CITIZEN COMPLAINTS**</b>						
COMPLAINTS NOT FORMALIZED	8	12	-33%	45	39	+15%
FORMAL CITIZEN COMPLAINTS	27	22	+23%	111	130	-15%
TOTAL	<b>35</b>	34	+3%	<b>156</b>	169	-8%
<b>INTERNAL COMPLAINTS**</b>						
TOTAL	<b>14</b>	9	+56%	<b>47</b>	51	-8%

<b>DISPOSITIONS***</b>						
NOT SUSTAINED	12	180	-93%	229	295	-22%
SUSTAINED	6	54	-89%	169	124	+36%
EXONERATED	4	49	-92%	77	98	-21%
UNFOUNDED	1	41	-98%	97	66	+47%
NO FINDING/COURT ISSUE	0	0	n.c.	10	0	n.c.
TOTAL	<b>23</b>	324	-93%	<b>582</b>	583	0%

\* THE METHOD USED TO TRACK AND CALCULATE UNIT STATS CHANGED DURING 3RD QUARTER 2012

\*\*NEW COMPLAINTS ARE COUNTED IN THE MONTH IN WHICH THEY ARE RECEIVED BY THE UNIT

\*\*\*DISPOSITIONS ARE COUNTED IN THE MONTH IN WHICH THE COMPLAINT IS CLOSED

n.c. - NOT CALCULABLE

n.a. - NOT AVAILABLE

## TRAINING

TRAINING	REPORTING QUARTER	2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
TRAINING CLASSES - TOTAL	44	47	-6%	199	190	+5%
TRAINING HOURS - TOTAL	18,171	14,320	+27%	60,464	60,477	0%
PARTICIPANTS - TOTAL	1,006	629	+60%	3,052	7,722	-60%
SWORN	992	609	+63%	3,008	3,300	-9%
NON-SWORN	14	20	-30%	44	49	-10%
CITIZENS/ GUESTS	0	0	n.c.	0	0	n.c.

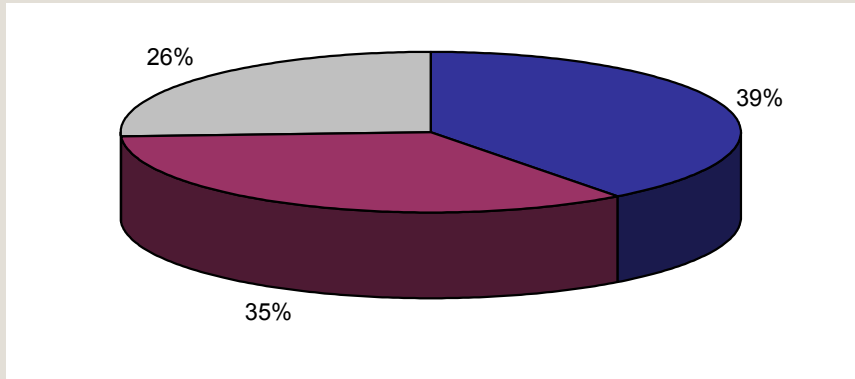
## MISDEMEANOR WARRANTS

WARRANTS	REPORTING QUARTER	2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
WARRANTS CLEARED BY ARREST	1,235	1,467	-16%	5,926	5,834	+2%
PERSONS ARRESTED	1,019	1,202	-15%	4,981	4,755	+5%
CANCELLED BY COURT	852	1,022	-17%	4,324	4,380	-1%
NEW WARRANTS ISSUED	2,177	2,532	-14%	9,269	9,792	-5%

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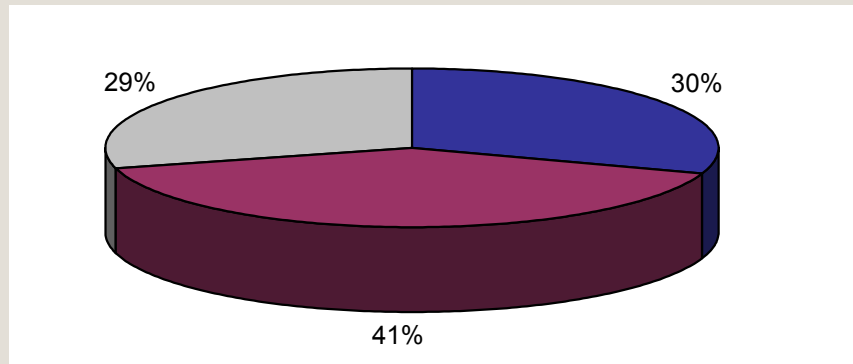
## UNIFORM OFFICERS' WORKDAY

### DECEMBER 2012



● ALLS FOR SERVICE    
 ● SELF-INITIATED    
 ● PREVENTATIVE PATROL

### YEAR-TO-DATE 2012



FIGURES REPRESENT AVERAGE NUMBER OF MINUTES PER OFFICER PER DAY FOR NOTED ACTIVITY

## ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	REPORTING QUARTER	2012 VS 2011		YEAR-TO-DATE		
	OCT - DEC 2012	OCT - DEC 2011	PERCENT CHANGE	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	PERCENT CHANGE
CRIMINAL AND NON-CRIMINAL INCIDENT REPORTS PROCESSED	<b>21,960</b>	22,482	-2%	<b>88,235</b>	89,206	-1%
REPORT COPIES	<b>3,166</b>	3,315	-4%	<b>12,049</b>	13,319	-10%
CRIMINAL HISTORY REQUESTS	<b>3,166</b>	1,878	+69%	<b>9,011</b>	7,666	+18%
GUN REGISTRATIONS	<b>1,137</b>	743	+53%	<b>3,657</b>	2,938	+24%

n.c. - NOT CALCULABLE  
 n.a. - NOT AVAILABLE

# Promotions & Retirements

## PROMOTIONS

- Officer **Nicholas E. Muller** was promoted to the rank of **Sergeant** on July 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Captain **Gregory M. Gonzalez** was promoted to the rank of **Deputy Chief** on December 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Lieutenant **Shayna L. Ray** was promoted to the rank of **Captain** on December 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Sergeant **Catherine C. Milone** was promoted to the rank of **Lieutenant** on December 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Officer **Steven P. Meister** was promoted to the rank of **Sergeant** on December 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Officer **Sean C. Fontana** was promoted to the rank of **Sergeant** on December 17<sup>th</sup>.

## RETIREMENTS

- Clerk Typist II **Janie K. Gottschalk** retired January 6<sup>th</sup> (10 years 9 months)
- Police Officer **Linda Yetts** retired February 24<sup>th</sup> (21 years)
- Office Manager **Margaret R. Aguilera** retired March 30<sup>th</sup> (33 years)
- Admin. Information Manager **Jane M. Alexander** retired March 30<sup>th</sup> (31 years)
- Police Chief **Alexis N. Hayes** retired March 30<sup>th</sup> after 25 years 4 months.
- Police Officer **Grant Pope** retired April 1<sup>st</sup> (22 years 6 months)
- Police Sergeant **Donald F. Ficenc** retired June 8<sup>th</sup> (22 years 8 months)
- Police Information Operator **Gerald N. Heliger** retired July 6<sup>th</sup> (7 years 3 months)
- Clerk Typist II **Barbara A. Kain** retired August 3<sup>rd</sup> (20 years 11 months)
- Police Inform. Operator **Kathleen J. Kopecky** retired August 3<sup>rd</sup> (12 years 1 month)
- Police Officer **David S. Bruck** retired September 30<sup>th</sup> (13 years 11 months)
- Police Officer **Billy J. McGee** retired November 5<sup>th</sup> (17 years 9 months)
- Police Officer **Michele R. Brandt** retired November 9<sup>th</sup> (26 years 7 months)
- Police Information Operator **Krista L. Johnson** retired November 24<sup>th</sup> (20 years)
- Police Sergeant **Catherine Martinec** retired November 29<sup>th</sup> (20 years)
- Office Supervisor **Connie J. Adams** retired December 7<sup>th</sup> (15 years 10 months)
- Police Officer **Robert W. Kroeger, Jr.** retired on December 12<sup>th</sup> (20 years 9 months)
- Clerk Typist II **Cheryl L. Brooks** retired December 21<sup>st</sup> (31 years 1 month)
- Police Inform. Operator **Carol L. Meduna** retired December 21<sup>st</sup> (18 years 8 months)
- Clerk Typist II **Karrol A. Nelson** retired December 22<sup>nd</sup> (34 years 7 months)

# In Memoriam

## 2012 DEATHS

**Retired Sergeant William G. Hopkins** passed away on **Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>**. Sergeant Hopkins joined the Omaha Police Department on October 2, 1950, and served the citizens of Omaha for 19 years eight months.

**Police Officer Dawn M. Pollreis** passed away on **Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>** after a courageous battle with cancer. Officer Pollreis began her career with the Omaha Police Department on July 12, 1993, and served the citizens of Omaha for 18 years seven months.

**Retired Watchguard Flossie E. Tesch** passed away on **Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>** at the age of 83. Ms. Tesch joined the Omaha Police Department on March 1, 1969 and served the citizens of Omaha for 25 years nine months.

**Retired Officer Tony “Spike” John** passed away on **Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**. Officer John joined the Omaha Police Department on May 4, 1964 and served the citizens of Omaha for 10 years two months.

**Former Uniform Patrol Bureau Secretary I Judy K. Blacketer** passed away on **Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup>**. Ms. Blacketer joined the Omaha Police Department on July 8, 1992 and served the citizens of Omaha for 8 years one month.

**Retired Officer Gary Burl Shields** passed away on **Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup>** after a long battle with cancer. Officer Shields joined the Omaha Police Department on December 16, 1980 and served the citizens of Omaha for 25 years one month. His assignments included the Uniform Patrol Bureau, Criminal Investigations Bureau, and Mounted Patrol Squad.

**Retired Sergeant Jack L. Terry** passed away on **Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Sergeant Terry joined the Omaha Police Department on June 25, 1951 and served the citizens of Omaha for 34 years 10 months.

**Retired Sergeant William James “Bill” Norman Jr.** passed away on **Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>**. Sergeant Norman joined the Omaha Police Department on October 1, 1951 and served the citizens of Omaha for 32 years 10 months.

**Police Officer Randy L. Szemplenski** passed away on **Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>** after a courageous battle with cancer. Officer Szemplenski began his career with the Omaha Police Department on March 13, 1989 and served the citizens of Omaha for 23 years eight months.

**Retired Crime Lab Technician Leo C. Robertson** passed away on **Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>** at the age of 74. Mr. Robertson joined the Omaha Police Department on August 1, 1982 and served the citizens of Omaha for 17 years nine months.

## OMAHA POLICE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY

<b>Name</b>	<b>Date of Death</b>
Thomas A. Welch	August 17, 1866
Jere McCheane	June 26, 1870
Dan D. Tiedeman	June 9, 1897
Samual S. Drummy	February 15, 1908
Layarette A. Smith	January 14, 1909
Edward Lowry	February 19, 1909
Thomas Ring	February 10, 1915
William Good	March 31, 1916
Frank Rooney	January 31, 1918
Frank J. Murphy, Jr.	July 23, 1919
Arthur G. Cooper	February 1, 1921
James E. Scott	February 10, 1922
Frank S. Aughe	January 31, 1924
William M. Davis	February 25, 1927
F.A. Kruger	November 17, 1930
James J. Sullivan	April 4, 1931
Reynold Wolfe	February 23, 1935
Leslie G. Chamberlin	July 29, 1935
Joseph J. Treglia	July 17, 1936
John E. Costello	May 31, 1962
Larry D. Minard, Sr.	August 17, 1970
Paul A. Nields	June 6, 1974
James B. Wilson, Jr.	August 20, 1995
Jason (Tye) Pratt	September 19, 2003