

# Hastings Police Department



Annual Report  
2022

# Administration

## **Chief of Police**

David D. Wilske

## **Deputy Chief**

Bryan Schowalter

## **Commander**

Kyle Linscheid

## **Administrative Services Manager**

Mary Cofer

DEDICATED TO OFFICER ALBERT JACOBSON  
END OF WATCH JULY 10, 1894



*On the Cover: Officer Vomastek and K9 Sonny at USPCA K9 Trials*

## About Hastings PD

31

Sworn Personnel

7

Civilian Personnel

23K

Calls for Service

3

Divisions

1

K9 Team

Hastings Police  
Department  
150 3<sup>rd</sup> Street East  
Hastings MN 55033  
651-480-2300

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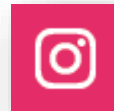
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# Chief's Message



I am pleased to present you with the Hastings Police Department 2022 Annual Report.

We had a number of changes this year which included Chief Bryan Schafer retiring after an extremely successful career in Law Enforcement and with the City of Hastings; I was named the HPD's 56<sup>th</sup> Chief of Police; Bryan Schowalter was named Deputy Chief; Kyle Linscheid was named Commander and Pat Diedrich was named Patrol Sergeant.

Even with all the changes, the HPD team maintained a strong presence in the community and as you review the report you will see a decrease in crime due to our officers' diligence and dedication.

HPD hit the ground running this year and it was great to see everyone out and about after the COVID years.

We participated in a number of community events that included Police Week, National Night Out, Pride Parade, 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, Rivertown Days, Rivertown Live and Gobble Gait, just to name a few. HPD also gave back to the community with our Food 4 Kids Drive through United Way of Hastings. We collected 2,200 food items; once again beating the Dakota County Sheriff's Office! In addition, it was our first year participating in Toys for Tots and 'Shop with a Hero' event that was sponsored by Fleet Farm of Hastings.

The Hastings PD continues to look for grants to support our mission and this year we received \$6,500 through the Prairie Island Community and \$1,500 from the VFW of Hastings to upgrade our first responder equipment. We also received State funding for Ballistic Helmets for all officers and rounded out the year with a grant opportunity through the University of Minnesota Medical School that allowed us to replace every Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) in our marked squads.

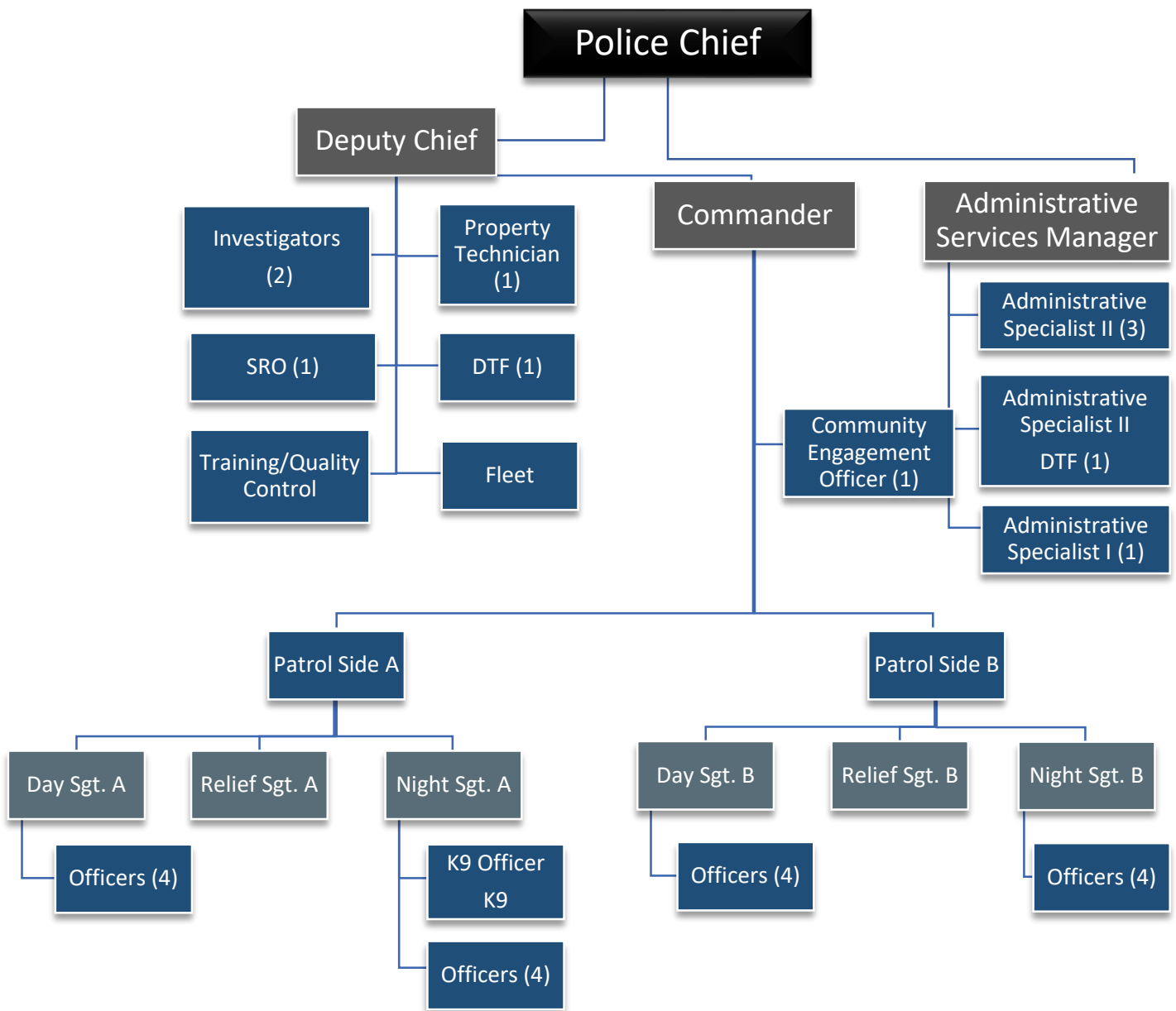
I would like to personally thank the citizens of Hastings for your support of Law Enforcement and the Hastings Police Department. I am amazed every week by the generosity of Hastings residents and the support we have received. We look forward to serving you in 2023 and you should be very proud of your HPD Officers for their dedication to ensure we continue to live and prosper in this safe community.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David D. Wilske". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Chief of Police

# Organizational Chart



## 2022 Authorized Strength

Sworn Police Officers / Full Time	31	Civilian / Full Time	6
		Civilian / Part Time	1

# Staff Listing

## Chief of Police

David D. Wilske\*

## Deputy Chief

Bryan Schowalter\*

Inv. Chad Schlichte

Inv. Matt Harranty\*

Ofc. Jake Willers (SRO)

Ofc. Geoff Latsch (DTF)

Richard Brown (Property Tech)

## Commander

Kyle Linscheid\*

Sgt. Chris Nelson

Sgt. Matt Hedrick

Sgt. Dave Bauer

Sgt. Ryan Kline

Sgt. Sam Beuch

Sgt. Pat Diedrich\*

Ofc. Whitney Rinowski (CEO)

## Administrative Services Manager\*\*

Mary Cofer

Administrative Specialist II\*\*

Brenda McGrath

Kathy Belisle

Ginger Glaser

Tina Gipson (DTF)

Administrative Specialist I\*\*

Stephanie Taylor

## Officers:

Ofc. Chris Weid

Ofc. Jeremy Jacobson

Ofc. Paul Young

Ofc. Zak Knochenmus

Ofc. Dan Vomastek & K9 Sonny

Ofc. Brock Bukkila

Ofc. Mike Schmitz

Ofc. Ryan Haedt

Ofc. Nick Cross

Ofc. Georgeann Freeman

Ofc. Matt Schlafer

Ofc. Nate Wood

Ofc. Blake Nosal

Ofc. Payton Walser

Ofc. Matt Green

## Milestones

### 15 Years

Kathy Belisle

### 10 Years

Ryan Kline

### 5 Years

David Wilske

Pat Diedrich

## Retirements

Chief Bryan Schafer (May 2022) – 8 Years

*New appointment in 2022\**

*Job title updates in 2022\*\**

*As a result of the job description review done during the 2022 City Compensation and Classification study, the following job titles were updated:*

- ❖ *Police Administrative Services Manager (formerly Office Manager)*
- ❖ *Police Administrative Specialist II (formerly Records Secretary)*
- ❖ *Police Administrative Specialist I (formerly Police Department Receptionist)*

*Listing as of Dec. 31, 2022*

# Reserve Unit



Originally formed in 1953 as a civil defense unit, the Hastings Police Reserve Unit is comprised of volunteers who each donate a minimum of 120 hours of service each year; collectively donating over 2,000 hours annually.

## **Reserve Officers:**

Reserve Lt. Joey Trautman

Reserve Sgt. Chris Stone

RO Michael Beard

RO Tyler Steinhibel

Reserve Sgt. Randy Gray

RO Brian Jansen

## **Milestones**

**10 Years** Randy Gray

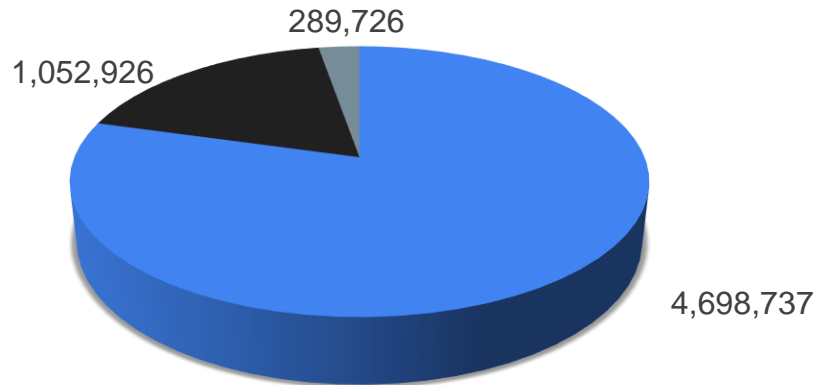
Left Unit in 2022: Reserve Sgt. Nate Christiansen (Since 2018)

*Listing as of Dec. 31, 2022*

# Budget

## 2022 HPD Adopted Budget \$6,026,567

■ Salaries & Benefits ■ Operations/Debt ■ Capital Outlay (Cars)



5.1%  
increase over  
2021 Budget

Expense	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 Adopted
Personnel Expense	3,863,060	3,996,343	4,216,109	4,666,009	4,698,737
Supplies	125,593	110,441	103,470	102,790	118,850
Other Services & Charges	723,953	739,801	723,288	780,193	910,734
Miscellaneous	11,831	14,492	37,157	10,715	8,520
Capital Outlay	92,942	4,051	50,041	159,228	289,726
Transfers Out	-	-	25,000	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,817,379</b>	<b>4,865,128</b>	<b>5,155,065</b>	<b>5,718,935</b>	<b>6,026,567</b>

City of Hastings Budget Information [City of Hastings website](#)

2022 Statewide City Budgets [Office of the State Auditor website](#)

City of Hastings [Annual Comprehensive Financial Report](#)





# 2022 Statistics



23,038

Calls for Service



23,168

Est. Policing  
Population



0

Homicides



2m46s

Avg. Emergency  
Response Time



877

Medicals



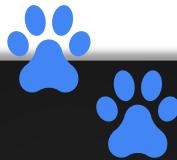
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Robbery



2,678

Case Files Created



381

Animal Complaints



32

Burglary



846

Citations Issued



205

Gun Permits  
Processed



403

Arrests



Total Traffic Stops: 3,309

2022 Calls For Service: 23,038

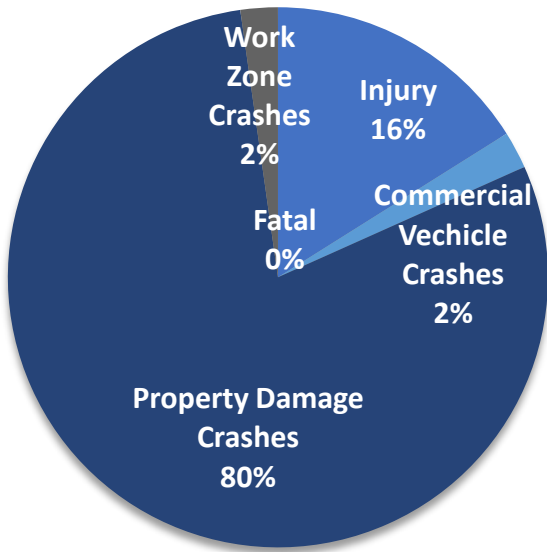
### Top Calls for Service

Suspicious Activity	1,283
Medicals	877
Public/Civil Assist	735
Check Welfare	557
Disturbing Peace	506
Accidents	433
Alarm Calls	418

### Top Citation Violations

Parking	191
Driving After Revocation/Suspension/Cancellation	162
Speeding	88
Operate Vehicle with Expired Registration	77
Driving While Impaired/Under Influence/	73
Assault/Domestic Assault	48
Disorderly Conduct	39
Failure to Stop/Obey Traffic Control Signal or Stop Sign	37

Total Citations: 846	Total Violations: 981
- 510 Traffic	- 620 Traffic
- 193 Parking/Ordinance	- 191 Parking/Ordinance
- 143 Non-Traffic	- 166 Non-Traffic



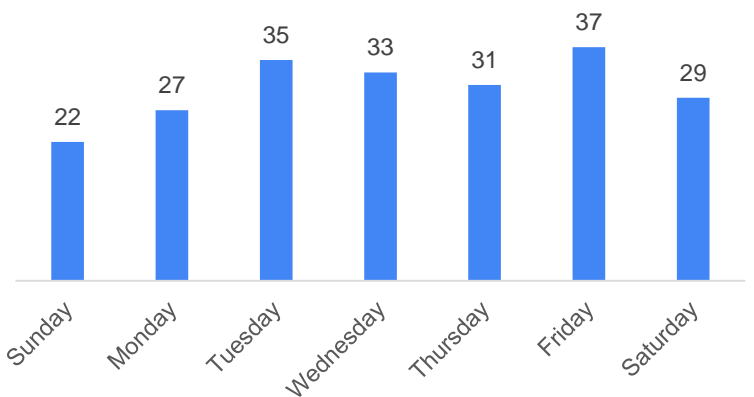
### \* State Reportable Crashes by Severity

Injury	36
Fatal	0
Commercial Vehicle Crashes	5
Property Damage Crashes	178
Work Zone Crashes	5
<b>Total:</b>	<b>224</b>

### Drivers by Age

Age 15 - 29	42
Age 20 - 29	63
Age 30 - 39	47
Age 40 - 49	64
Age 50 - 59	33
Age 60 - 64	23
Age 65+	69

### Crashes by Day of Week



\* **State reportable** – crashes occurring on public roadway causing injury, death or property damage in the amount of \$1,000 or more.

The above numbers reflect only those crashes responded to and state reported by HPD within Hastings city limits; they do not include crashes responded to/state reported by MN State Patrol.

Additional crash data: [MN Dept of Transportation](#) and [MN DPS Office of Traffic Safety website](#)



## NIBRS Crime Statistics

Group A	Crimes Against Person	2021	2022
09A	Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	1	0
09B	Negligent Manslaughter	0	0
09C	Justifiable Homicide (Not a Crime)	0	0
100	Kidnapping/Abduction	1	0
11A	Rape	9	5
11B	Sodomy	1	0
11C	Sexual Assault with an Object	0	2
11D	Fondling	12	13
11E	Ejaculate/Excrete on Victim	0	0
13A	Aggravated Assault	9	25
13B	Simple Assault	82	75
13C	Intimidation	21	17
36A	Incest	0	0
36B	Statutory Rape	0	0
64A	Human Trafficking - Commercial Sex Acts	0	0
64B	Human Trafficking - Involuntary Servitude	0	0
		<b>136</b>	<b>137</b>
Group A	Crime Against Property		
120	Robbery	1	4
200	Arson	2	3
210	Extortion/Blackmail	0	1
220	Burglary/Breaking and Entering	43	32
23A	Pocket Picking	0	0
23B	Purse Snatching	1	0
23C	Shoplifting	45	42
23D	Theft From Building	7	7
23E	Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device	0	0
23F	Theft From Motor Vehicle	55	31
23G	Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	56	50
23H	All Other Larceny	110	120
240	Motor Vehicle Theft	26	14
250	Counterfeiting/Forgery	18	28
26A	False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	28	27
26B	Credit Card/Automatic Teller Machine Fraud	18	23
26C	Impersonation	8	7
26D	Welfare Fraud	0	0
26E	Wire Fraud	4	6
26F	Identity Theft	48	33
26G	Hacking/Computer Invasion	1	0
270	Embezzlement	1	5
280	Stolen Property Offenses	22	14
290	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	157	135
510	Bribery (Except Sports Bribery)	0	0
		<b>651</b>	<b>582</b>

Crimes  
Against  
Persons  
Down  
0.75%

Crimes  
Against  
Property  
Down  
10.6%

## NIBRS Crime Statistics

Group A	Crime Against Society	2021	2022
35A	Drug/Narcotic Violations	114	87
35B	Drug Equipment Violations	37	32
370	Pornography/Obscene Material	4	5
39A	Betting/Wagering	0	0
39B	Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	0	0
39C	Gambling Equipment Violations	0	0
39D	Sports Tampering	0	0
40A	Prostitution	0	0
40B	Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	0	0
40C	Purchasing Prostitution	0	0
520	Weapon Law Violations	20	16
720	Animal Cruelty	0	0
		<b>175</b>	<b>140</b>

Crimes  
Against  
Society  
Down  
20%

Total Group A Crimes  
Down 10.71% in 2022

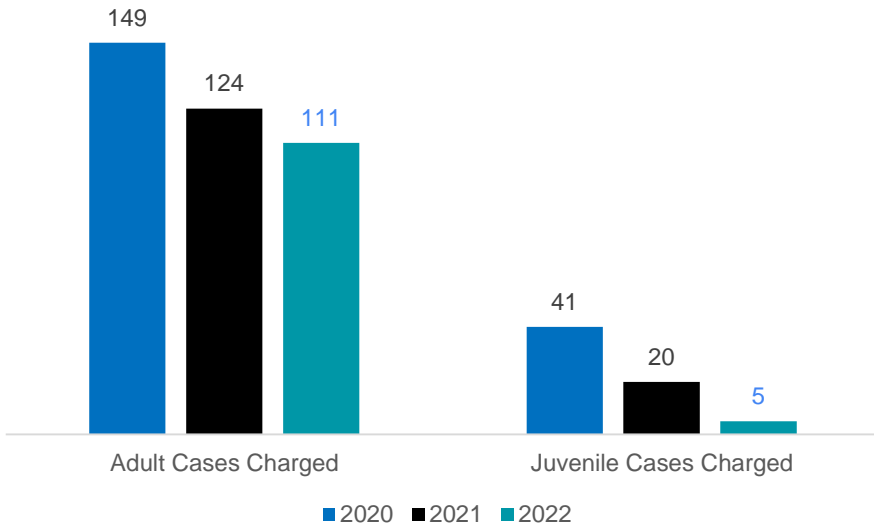
Group B		2021	2022
90A	Bad Checks	0	0
90B	Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	4	1
90C	Disorderly Conduct	34	34
90D	Driving Under the Influence	231	232
90E	Drunkenness (Except DUI)	0	0
90F	Family Offenses, Nonviolent	5	1
90G	Liquor Law Violations	28	17
90H	Peeping Tom	0	0
90I	Runaway	0	0
90J	Trespass of Real Property	13	7
90Z	All Other Offenses	183	134
		<b>498</b>	<b>426</b>

Group B  
Offenses  
Down  
14.46%



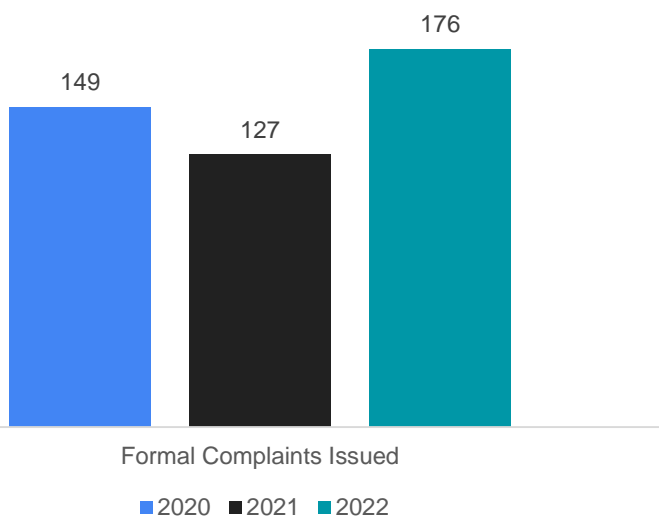
## Charging Statistics

County Attorney  
2020 - 2022 Cases Charged



Estimate only as 2022 County Attorney Charging Statistics not available at time of publishing

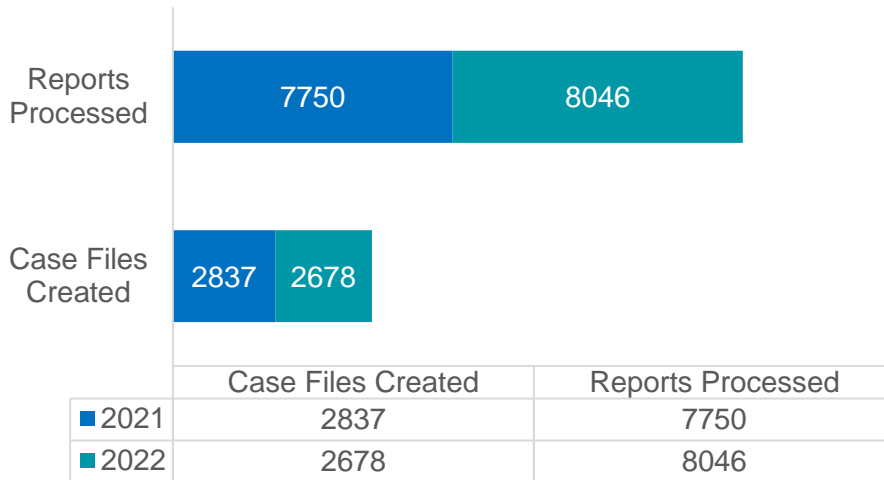
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\* Felony and Gross Misdemeanor Formal Complaints (may include a small percentage of misdemeanor complaints issued in lieu of a citation)

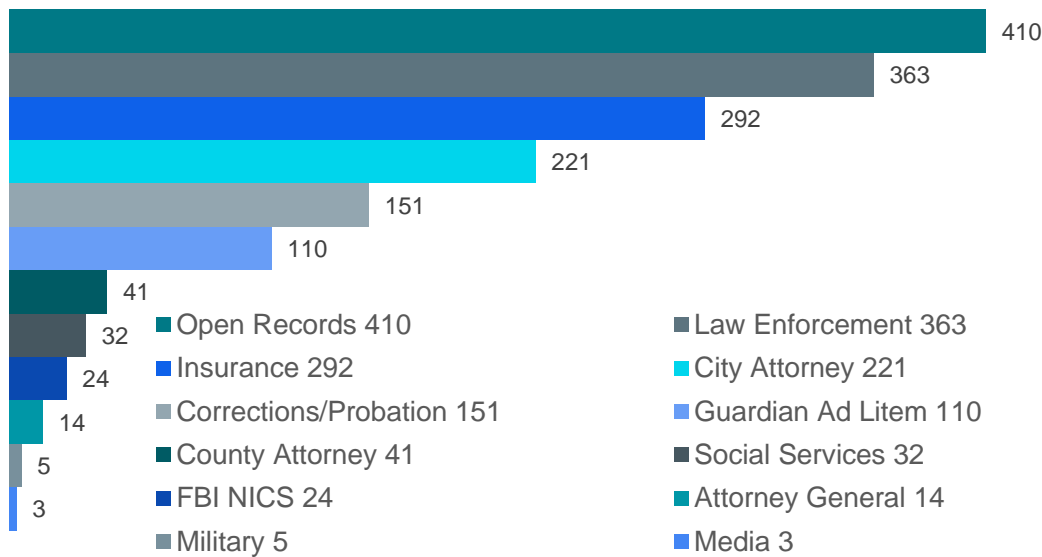


## Case Files and Reports



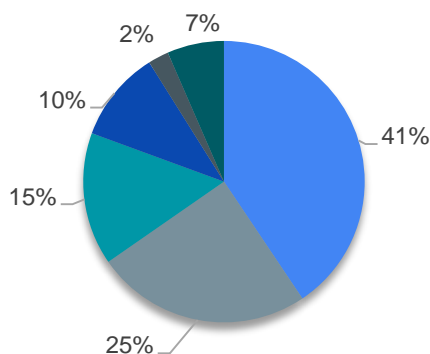
  
**Data Requests**  
 Up 21%  
 from 2021

## Data Requests – 1,659



  
**Gun Permit Applications**  
 Down 4%  
 from 2021

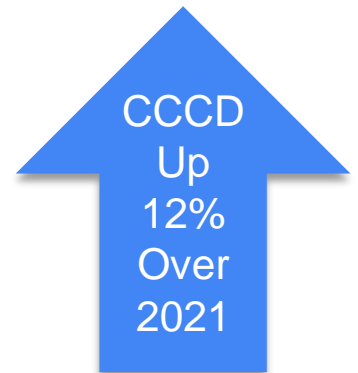
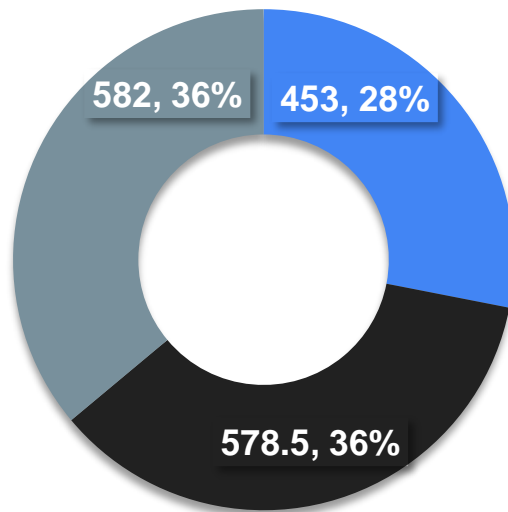
## Permits, Registrations, Backgrounds, Etc.



- Gun Permit Applications 205
- Animal Registrations 125
- City License Check 77
- City Background/Records Checks 53
- Gun Sale Reports 12
- Alarm Registrations 33

# Professional Standards

**2022 Officer Training: 1,613.5 Hours**



- **Conflict Management, Crisis Intervention, Cultural Diversity/Implicit Bias**
- **Pursuit, Use of Force, Firearms, Intermediate Force Weapons, Drug Recognition, DUI, Emergency Management**
- **Continuing Education, Critical Knowledge, Leadership, OSHA, Other Specialized Training**

## MN POST Board Continuing Education Requirements for Officers

48 hours within their three-year licensing period to include a minimum of 16 approved credits in:

- Crisis Intervention and Mental Illness Crisis
- Autism
- Conflict Management and Mediation
- Recognizing and Valuing Community Diversity and Cultural Differences to Include Implicit Bias

Active officers are mandated to train annually in use of force and once every five years in emergency vehicle operations/pursuit driving.

[MN POST Board Mandated Officer Training](#)





## 2022 OFFICER DISCIPLINE – POLICE MISCONDUCT /DEPARTMENT POLICY

Complaints - 3

Investigated - 2

Sustained - 2

## 2022 PERFORMANCE METRICS

\*Positive Recognition - 118

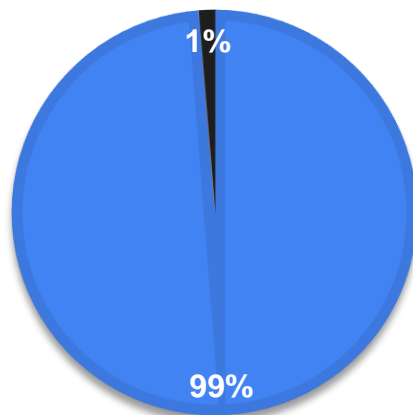
\*\*Employee Consultation - 7

*\*Awards, Recognition (Peer, Public, Supervisor), Job Knowledge, Productivity, Teamwork, Leads by Example, Managing Others, Problem Solving*

*\*\*Coaching of Performance and Policy Infractions*

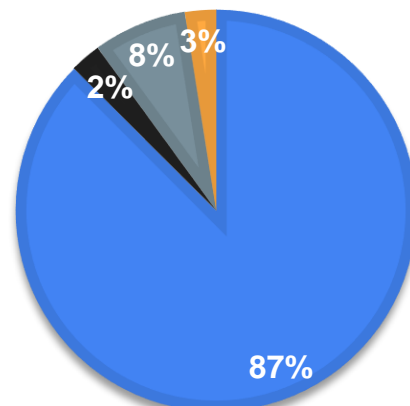
### Physical Arrests

■ Adults - 398   ■ Juvenile - 5



### 2022 Restraint Used

■ Handcuffs   ■ Leg Restraint  
■ Other   ■ Spit Hood



[BCA Data: MN Law Enforcement Firearms Discharge](#)

[BCA Data: MN Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted](#)



# Awards



**Medal of Valor:** The Medal of Valor may be awarded to a department member who, conscious of danger, intelligently and in the line of police duty, distinguishes themselves by the performance of act of gallantry and valor at imminent personal hazard to life, above and beyond the call of duty.



**Medal of Commendation:** Medal of Commendation may be awarded to a department member in recognition of intelligent and excellent performance of self-initiated police duties. Exemplars of self-initiated professional police work.



**Preservation of Life Award** – When deadly force may have been justified, the officer(s) exhaust all options, including less than lethal, to bring a situation under control without taking a human life. Embracing the sanctity of human life is at the heart of everything our agency does and police are expected to embrace a guardian, rather than a warrior mindset.



**Life Saving Award:** The Life Saving Award may be awarded to an individual(s) who, in some way, saved another's life.

Letter of Recognition

**Letter of Recognition:** Letter of Recognition may be awarded to a departmental member in recognition of intelligent and excellent performance of regular duties.

# Awards



Ofc. Nate Wood



Ofc. Geoff Latsch



Ofc. Ryan Haedt



Ofc. Payton Walser



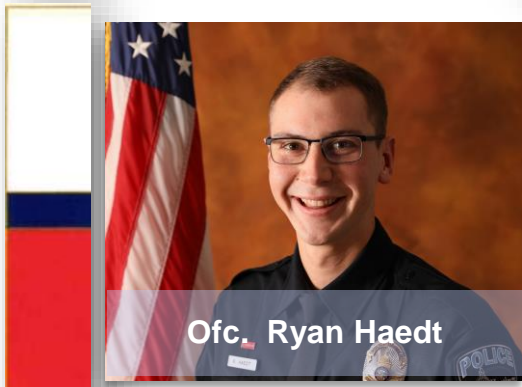
Ofc. Nick Cross



Ofc. Mike Schmitz



Ofc. Zak Knochenmus



Ofc. Ryan Haedt



Ofc. Payton Walser



Ofc. Georgeann Freeman

Letter of Recognition



Sgt. Pat Diedrich

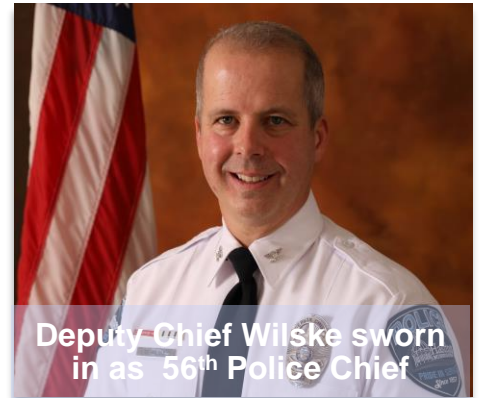
# 2022 Highlights



Welcome Stephanie Taylor to the Records Division



Chief Schafer retires



Deputy Chief Wilske sworn in as 56<sup>th</sup> Police Chief



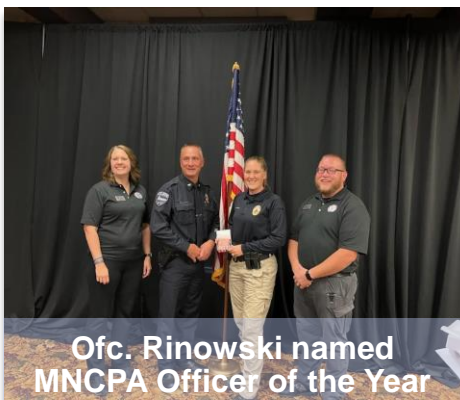
Commander Schowalter promoted to Deputy Chief



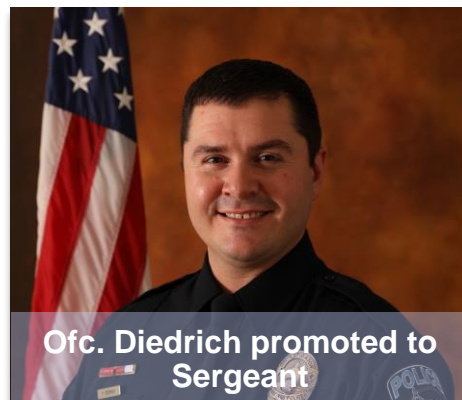
Sergeant Linscheid promoted to Commander



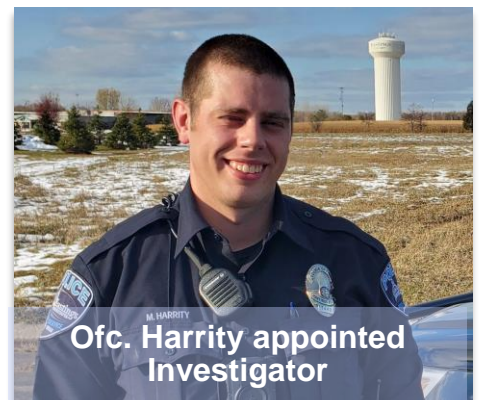
Coffee with a Cop at Froth and Cork



Ofc. Rinowski named MNCPA Officer of the Year



Ofc. Diedrich promoted to Sergeant



Ofc. Harrity appointed Investigator



Retro squad added to fleet

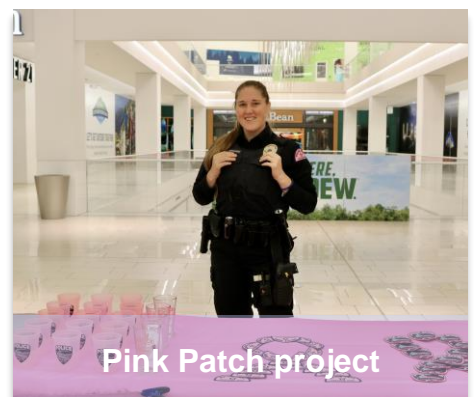
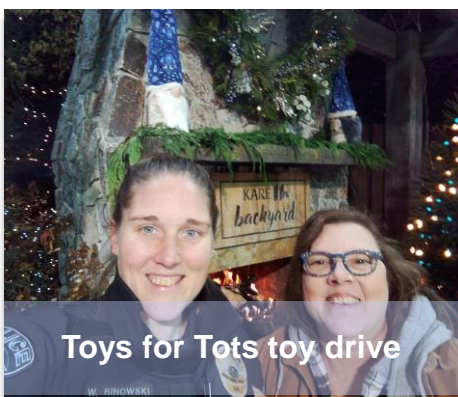
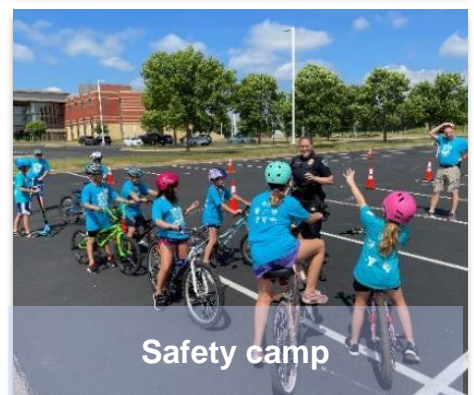
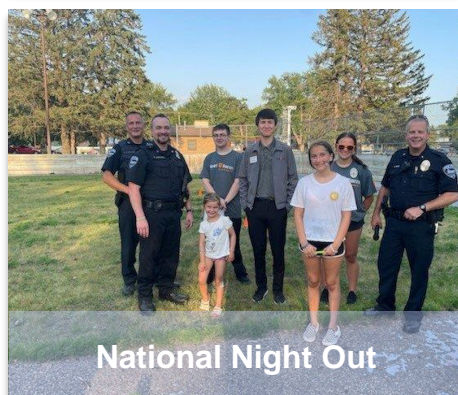
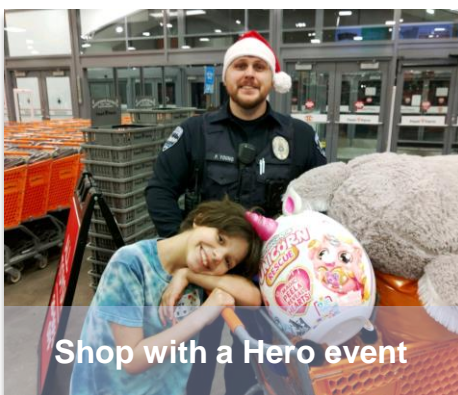
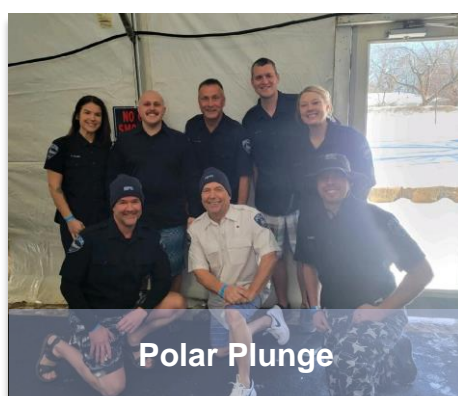


LE Torch Run for Special Olympics MN



Welcome Officers Freeman and Green

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HPD receives badge from slain HPD Ofc. Albert Jacobson's family



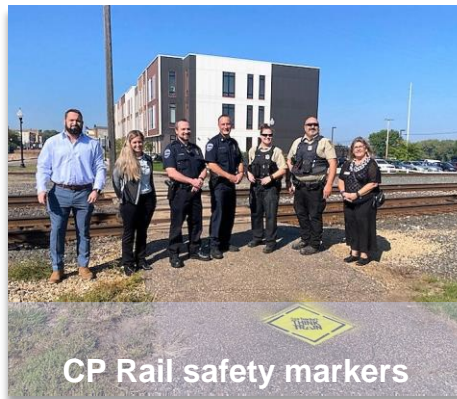
Ofc. Haedt recognized by MN OTS for DWI enforcement



Girl Scout cookie donation



Rec + Art + Police in parks



CP Rail safety markers



Citizen Commendation awards



Citizen Life Saving and Medal of Valor awards



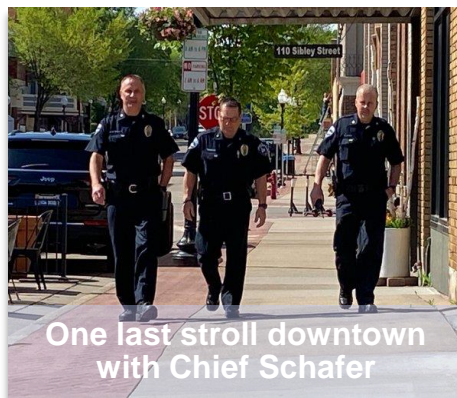
4th of July parade



"I Got Caught" DQ coupon winners for wearing a helmet



Rivertown Live event with Foghat and Guess Who



One last stroll downtown with Chief Schafer



Cookies from Santa's helper

Hastings Police Department  
150 3<sup>rd</sup> Street East  
Hastings, Minnesota 55033

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