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## **CITY OF GAHANNA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF POLICE**

### **Report to Council**

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The following report provides an overview of performance data compiled by the Division of Police for April, 2018.

#### Emergency Communications:

- ↳ Dispatchers handled 444 9-1-1 calls throughout the month. The average call answer delay decreased by one second to three seconds per call.
- ↳ 34.4% of all 9-1-1 calls received by the Communications Center originated from cellular phones while 19.6% were received from VOIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) telephone lines/systems.
- ↳ An additional 3,478 calls were received through the Division's non-emergency lines.
- ↳ 2,459 calls for service were handled in April.

#### Patrol Operations:

- ↳ 295 offense and arrest reports were generated including a summary of the following incidents by type:
  - 5 Theft from vehicle reports.
  - 19 Criminal damaging incidents with three arrests.
  - 1 Robbery occurred that resulted when a shoplifter pushed a loss prevention officer that was attempting to stop the suspect.
  - No thefts of motor vehicles occurred.
  - 7 Burglaries with 1 attempted Breaking & Entering were reported – the majority involved known suspects or were the result of entry being made into open garages.
  - 4 reported assaults resulting (no domestic nexus).
    - No aggravated assaults occurred during the month.
    - 4 simple assaults were reported.
  - Domestic-related responses include:
    - 20 documented disputes that did not involve a criminal offense.
    - 4 incidents resulted in arrest.
    - 2 arrest warrants were issued from reported incidents.
  - 1 response to an overdose occurred in April as the result of a single vehicle traffic crash in which the operator and sole occupant was under the influence of an unknown opioid. Naloxone was administered by medics while transporting the victim to the hospital.
- ↳ The Division recorded 15 narcotics-related incidents including:
  - 9 Drug/narcotics offenses including 2 arrests and an additional 3 arrests from prior outstanding warrants for possession, trafficking, etc.
  - 6 Drug Equipment violations with one arrest.
- ↳ Officers conducted 734 traffic stops with 267 traffic violators issued citations only and an additional 15 arrests made as a result of the stops. In total, 486 separate traffic offenses were documented either through the issuance of a citation or by arrest of the vehicle operator.

- ↪ The Division responded to 71 motor vehicle crashes with a further breakdown as follows:
  - 59 were classified as property damage only (PDO) or 83.1% of all responses.
  - 12 crashes involved injuries or 16.9% of all responses.
  - No traffic fatalities occurred – **40<sup>th</sup> fatality-free month.**
  - 13 crashes occurred on IR-270 – 18.3% of all crash responses in Gahanna.
  - 6 crashes involved alcohol and/or drug impairment – 8.4% of all crashes involved some level of impairment.
  - 3 crashes involved bicyclists.
- ↪ Patrol officers affected 9 arrests for impaired driving (OVI).
  - 7 of the arrestees refused to submit to chemical testing.
  - 2 arrestees submitted to chemical testing.
  - The high test for the month was .197 or over two times the legal limit of intoxication in Ohio.
- ↪ The Division received and subsequently responded to 112 alarm calls in April. All of the responses were determined to be false. A total of \$1,900 in false alarm fees were billed to permit holders. Year-to-date the Division has billed permit holders \$13,950 in alarm fees. 12 new alarm permits were issued during the month.

Detective Bureau:

- ↪ The Division's detectives were assigned 108 offense and arrest reports requiring investigative follow-up or other administrative action.
- ↪ The detectives obtained 22 investigative subpoenas and executed an additional 14 search warrants during the month of April.

National Police Week:

May 13 – 19 is National Police Week with events in Washington D.C. and around the nation. In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15<sup>th</sup> as National Peace Officers Memorial Day.



NOTE – for more detailed information on crime occurring in Gahanna's neighborhoods, please visit <http://communitycrimemap.com/>

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