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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 July, 2017.

#### Emergency Communications:

- ↳ Dispatchers handled 424 9-1-1 calls throughout the month. The average call answer delay decreased by one second to three seconds per call.
- ↳ 41% of all 9-1-1 calls received by the Communications Center originated from cellular phones while 17% were received from VOIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) telephone lines/systems.
- ↳ The Division responded to 2,758 calls for service in July.

#### Patrol Operations:

- ↳ 286 offense and arrest reports were generated including the following incidents by type:
  - 30 Theft from vehicle reports.
    - 2 groups of offenders have been identified in some of the cases. None of the group members live in Gahanna. Both groups have been active in other jurisdictions including New Albany, Whitehall, Westerville and Columbus.
  - 14 Criminal damaging incidents.
  - 7 Burglaries and 3 Breaking & Entering offenses occurred in July.
  - 5 Assault offenses occurred including one Aggravated Assault.
  - 20 domestic-related responses to include:
    - 12 documented disputes that did not involve a criminal offense.
    - 3 incidents in which arrests occurred.
    - 5 incidents were referred for prosecutorial review.
  - No responses to overdoses occurred during July.
  - 5 Motor vehicle thefts.
- ↳ The Division affected 7 narcotics-related arrests including:
  - 4 Drug/narcotics offenses (possession, trafficking, etc.).
  - 3 Drug equipment violations.
- ↳ Officers affected 737 traffic stops issuing 379 citations during the month of July.
- ↳ The Division responded to 40 motor vehicle crashes (total includes State reportable and non-reportable events) with a further breakdown as follows:
  - 30 were classified as property damage only (PDO) or 75% of all responses.
  - 10 crashes involved injuries or 25% of all responses.
  - 0 traffic fatalities occurred – **31<sup>st</sup> fatality-free month.**
  - 7 crashes occurred on IR-270 – 17.5% of all crash responses in Gahanna.
  - 1 crash involved alcohol and/or drug impairment.
  - 0 crashes occurred within the Hamilton Road roundabouts.
  - **Year-to-date, the Division has responded to 389 traffic crashes.**

- ↳ Patrol officers affected 8 arrests for impaired driving (OVI).
  - 1 of the arrestees refused to submit to chemical testing.
  - The high test for the month of July was .262; nearly three times the legal limit of intoxication in Ohio.
- ↳ Officers responded to 5 calls for mutual aid from area law enforcement agencies.
  - 4 calls were received from the Franklin County Sheriff's Office requesting assistance with incidents in Jefferson Township.
- ↳ The Division received and subsequently responded to 179 alarm calls in July. Of those responses 141 were determined to be false. A total of \$3,600 in false alarm fees were billed to permit holders. Year-to-date the Division has billed permit holders \$36,250 in alarm fees.

Detective Bureau:

- ↳ The Division's detectives were assigned 129 offense and arrest reports requiring investigative follow-up or other administrative action.
- ↳ The detectives obtained and executed 10 search warrants during the month of July.

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

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