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Report to Council

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The following report provides an overview of performance data compiled by the Division of Police for October, 2019.

Support Services – Communications Center:

- ➔ Dispatchers handled 966 9-1-1 calls throughout the month. Calls were answered on average in four seconds.
- ➔ 59.4% of all 9-1-1 calls received for the month by the Communications Center originated from cellular phones, while 15.6% were received from VOIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) telephone lines/systems.
- ➔ An additional 2,568 calls were received through the Division's non-emergency lines in October. Year-to-date dispatchers have handled 30,464 non-emergency calls.
- ➔ One Text-to-911 message was received during the month.
- ➔ 2,930 calls for service were dispatched in October.

Field Services:

- ➔ 359 offense and arrest reports were generated including a summary of the following incidents by type:
 - One robbery occurred.
 - 20 theft from vehicle reports were filed in October with two arrests. Nearly all vehicles were left unlocked by their owners.
 - 22 criminal damaging incidents were reported mostly linked to juvenile offenders.
 - Three Burglaries and three Breaking & Entering offenses were reported including an arrest in one B&E.
 - Incidents of assaults (no domestic nexus) are as follows:
 - Two aggravated assaults.
 - Simple assaults – Eight offense reports, five arrests and one warrant issued.
 - Domestic-related responses include:
 - 18 documented disputes that did not involve a criminal offense.
 - Six incidents resulted in arrests with warrants issued for Domestic Violence in one case.
 - Three reports were forwarded for investigation or further prosecutorial review.
 - Drug offenses for the month include:
 - 16 Drug/Narcotic violations – two offense reports; five arrests; one warrant.
 - Two drug equipment violations – two offense reports; four arrests.
 - Four response overdoses occurred in October
 - One incident involved multiple drugs in a suicide attempt.
 - Three involved heroin with one fatality.

- Officers administered Naloxone in two responses.
- ↳ 29 arrest warrant entries were made during the month.
- ↳ Officers conducted 636 self-initiated traffic stops with 241 traffic violators issued citations only and an additional 16 arrests were made as a result of the stops.
- ↳ Since January of 2017, the Division's officers have conducted 26,870 self-initiated traffic stops.
- ↳ The Division responded to 69 motor vehicle crashes with a further breakdown as follows:
 - No traffic fatalities occurred.
 - 56 were classified as property damage only (PDO) – 81.1% of all responses.
 - One was classified as serious injury suspected – 1.5% of all responses
 - Three were classified as minor injury suspected – 4.4% of all responses.
 - Nine were classified as injury possible – 13.4% of all responses.
 - 18 crashes occurred on IR-270 – 26% of all crash responses in Gahanna.
 - One crash involved alcohol and/or drug impairment – 1.5% of crashes involved some level of impairment.
 - Commercial vehicles were involved in six crashes – 8.7% of responses involved a commercial vehicle.
 - No crashes involved bicyclists or pedestrians.
- ↳ Patrol officers affected 13 arrests for impaired driving (OVI).
 - Seven of the arrestees refused to submit to chemical testing.
 - Five arrestees submitted to testing involving bodily fluids.
 - The high test for the month is undetermined as the results of laboratory analysis of the five samples submitted are still pending.
 - One arrest was following a motor vehicle crash.
- ↳ The Division received and subsequently responded to 147 alarm calls in October with two valid alarm responses. A total of \$3,500 in false alarm fees were billed to permit holders. Year-to-date the Division has billed permit holders \$36,000 in alarm fees. There were six new alarm permits issued during the month.

Investigative Services:

- ↳ The Division's detectives were assigned 139 offense and arrest reports requiring investigative follow-up or other administrative action.
- ↳ The detectives obtained 25 investigative subpoenas and executed and five search warrants during the month of October.

End of Year Reminder:

Due to the upcoming holiday season there will be no civic association meetings held in November or December.

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