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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 February, 2017.

Emergency Communications:

- ↳ Dispatchers handled 519 9-1-1 calls in February. The average call answer delay in February dropped to an average of three seconds per call.
- ↳ 37% of all 9-1-1 calls were received from cellular telephones.
- ↳ The Division responded to 2,547 calls for service in February.

Patrol Operations:

- ↳ A sample of calls for service include
 - 4 Burglaries.
 - 4 Breaking and Entering offenses.
 - 23 criminal damaging/vandalism incidents.
 - 7 misdemeanor assaults.
 - 23 Domestic-related responses to include:
 - 21 documented disputes that did not involve a criminal offense.
 - 2 incidents in which arrests were affected.
- ↳ The Division affected 29 narcotics-related offenses including:
 - 18 Drug/Narcotics offenses (possession, trafficking, etc.).
 - 11 Drug equipment violations.
- ↳ The Division responded to 54 motor vehicle crashes (total includes State reportable and non-reportable events) with a further breakdown as follows:
 - 42 were classified as property damage only (PDO) or 74% of all responses.
 - 12 crashes involved injuries or 22% of all responses.
 - Zero traffic fatalities occurred.
 - 18 crashes occurred on IR-270 – 33% of all crash responses in Gahanna.
 - 3 crashes involved alcohol and/or drug impairment – 5.56% of reported crashes.
 - Overall February crashes were down 13% from 2016.
- ↳ Patrol officers affected 12 arrests for impaired driving (OVI) with four of those arrested that submitted to a chemical test, testing over twice the legal limit of intoxication.
 - 7 of the arrestees refused to submit to chemical testing.
- ↳ A total of 133 alarm responses (robbery, burglary, medical and duress alarms) were handled including:
 - 98 false alarms resulting in billable alarm fees of \$4,100.00.

Detective Bureau:

- ↳ The Division's detectives were assigned 149 offense and arrest reports requiring investigative follow-up or other administrative action.

Training and Compliance Efforts:

- ↳ In February, the sworn members of the Division participated in 16 hours of in-service training with the Columbus Division of Police. Four hours of training focused on Trauma-Informed Policing.
- ↳ On February 16, 2017, the Division of Police was awarded final certification from the Ohio Collaborative for Law Enforcement Agency Certification. The Division's policies and operations were reviewed for compliance with State recommended best-practice standards. The Division's certification and compliance processes are ongoing and will incorporate new recommended standards in 2017.

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

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