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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 October, 2017.

Emergency Communications:

- ↪ Dispatchers handled 449 9-1-1 calls throughout the month. The average call answer delay was maintained at three seconds per call. Year-to-date the Communications Center received 4,623 9-1-1 calls.
- ↪ 37.5% of all 9-1-1 calls received by the Communications Center originated from cellular phones while 16.8% were received from VOIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) telephone lines/systems.
- ↪ The Division responded to 2,788 calls for service in October.

Patrol Operations:

- ↪ 251 offense and arrest reports were generated including the following incidents by type:
 - 16 Theft from vehicle reports – a 61% decrease from the previous month.
 - 6 Criminal damaging incidents.
 - 6 Burglaries and 2 Breaking & Entering offenses occurred in October.
 - 7 reported assaults resulting in 2 arrests (no domestic nexus).
 - 24 domestic-related responses to include:
 - 9 documented disputes that did not involve a criminal offense.
 - 10 incidents in which arrests occurred.
 - 5 incidents were referred for prosecutorial review.
 - 4 responses to overdoses occurred during October all of which involved the suspected or confirmed use of heroin. In 2 incidents the opiate countermeasure, Naloxone, was administered by responding officers.
- ↪ The Division affected 10 narcotics-related arrests including:
 - 8 Drug/narcotics offenses (possession, trafficking, etc.).
 - 2 Drug equipment violations.
- ↪ Officers conducted 923 traffic stops and issued 614 traffic citations.
 - 179 traffic citations were issued during the month on Hamilton Road – 73 north of Granville Street and 106 south of Granville.
- ↪ The Division responded to 57 motor vehicle crashes (total includes State reportable and non-reportable events) with a further breakdown as follows:
 - 50 were classified as property damage only (PDO) or 87.7% of all responses.
 - 7 crashes involved injuries or 12.2% of all responses.
 - No traffic fatalities occurred – **34th fatality-free month.**
 - 16 crashes occurred on IR-270 – 28.7% of all crash responses in Gahanna.
 - 1 crash involved alcohol and/or drug impairment.

- 5 crashes occurred within the Hamilton Road roundabouts all of which occurred at the intersection of Clark State Road.
- No crashes involving pedestrians occurred during the month.
- **Crashes on IR-270 (the primary crash location in Gahanna) have been reduced 6.5% from 2016.**
- **Year-to-date, the Division has responded to 570 traffic crashes.**
- ↳ Patrol officers affected 11 arrests for impaired driving (OVI).
 - 4 of the arrestees refused to submit to chemical testing.
 - 1 arrest occurred as the result of a motor vehicle crash.
 - 6 arrests involved either blood or urine testing to determine the cause of impairment.
- ↳ Five mutual aid calls were received from the Franklin County Sheriff's Office requesting assistance with incidents in Jefferson Township. Year-to-date the Division has responded to 304 mutual aid calls from law enforcement agencies. Of the 304 calls, 39 were to calls within Jefferson Township – 12.8% of all mutual aid responses.
- ↳ The Division received and subsequently responded to 121 alarm calls in October. All of the responses were determined to be false. A total of \$4,350 in false alarm fees were billed to permit holders. Year-to-date the Division has billed permit holders \$43,900 in alarm fees. Five new alarm permits were issued during the month.

Detective Bureau:

- ↳ The Division's detectives were assigned 96 offense and arrest reports requiring investigative follow-up or other administrative action.
- ↳ The detectives obtained and executed 6 search warrants during the month of October.

Citizen Police Academy:

I am pleased to announce that the Division of Police will again be partnering with the New Albany Police Department in conducting our second joint Citizen Police Academy. The academy will begin on Wednesday, January 17th. The ten-week program will provide participants the opportunity to learn many facets of law enforcement operations.

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

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