

# FAIRFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2017



FAIRFIELD, CONNECTICUT

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CHIEF OF POLICE

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This annual report is intended to provide a brief overview of the Fairfield Police Department, the Town of Fairfield and the activities of the department during 2017.

## Annual Report 2017

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#### **Town of Fairfield**





The Town of Fairfield is located in Southwestern Connecticut on the coast of Long Island Sound, approximately 50 miles from New York City. The town was settled in 1639 and covers an area of 30.6 square miles. Fairfield is a charming and thriving town featuring five miles of shoreline. Fairfield has five town beaches, two universities, many parks and ball fields, two public golf courses, and a vibrant array of restaurants and stores. Family-oriented Fairfield also has top-notch, high performing public schools with rich academic programs.

Fairfield is easily accessible to I-95 and the Merritt Parkway and has three train stations on the Metro North line that extends from New Haven, Connecticut to New York's Grand Central Terminal.

Fairfield is located in Fairfield County, Connecticut, between the cities of Bridgeport and Stamford. Consistently ranked in the top 100 in CNN/Money Magazine's best towns in which to live, Fairfield, in 2006, was ranked as the number one town in the Northeast.





Fairfield operates under a Representative Town Meeting form of government with members elected by the residents of the voting districts of the town. The administration of town affairs lies with the three member Board of Selectmen. The First Selectman is the town's chief administrative officer and highest elected official.

Population: 61,523 Square Miles Covered: **30.6**  Public Schools: 17 - 2 High Schools Private Schools: 10 - 2 High Schools

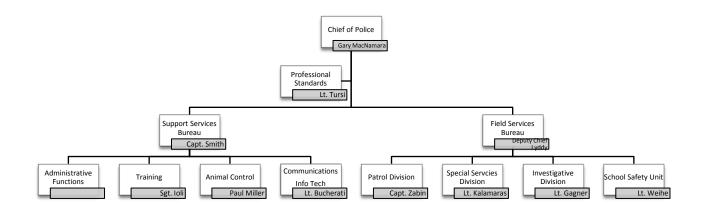
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#### Fairfield Police Department - 2016 Table of Organization



#### **Patrol Division**

#### Bike Unit Field Training Officers Crisis Intervention Team Special Police Canine Unit

#### **Professional Standards**

Internal Affairs
Grants
Policy Development

#### **Investigative Division**

General Investigations
Youth Bureau
Burglary Squad
Narcotics
Permit Processing
Crime Analysis
Juvenile Diversion Program

#### **Special Services Division**

**Traffic Enforcement** Crash Investigation **Traffic Surveys** Motorcycle Unit Vehicle Maintenance Dive Team Marine Unit **Emergency Services Unit Public Affairs** Social Media **Public Information Community Programs Crime Prevention** Neighborhood Watch Safe Return Program R-U-Ok Program **School Crossing Guards Special Events Coordination Block Parties** 

#### **Support Services Bureau**

Records **Property and Evidence Training** Quartermaster **Promotional Testing** Hiring Time and Attendance Payroll Alarm Ordinance **Audits Awards Parking Ticket Processing** Equipment **Building Maintenance** Information Technology **Emergency Communications Animal Control** 

#### **School Safety Unit**

School Resource Officers S.H.A.P.E. Program

#### **Department Overview**

#### **STAFFING**

108 Sworn Officers

Chief - 1

Deputy Chief – 1

Captains – 2

Lieutenants – 9

Sergeants – 13

Detectives - 14

Officers - 68

Special Officers – 59

Crossing Guards – 18

Marina Guards – 7

Telecommunicators – 15

Civilians - 15

#### **PROGRAMS**

Motorcycle Unit
Citizen Police Academy
Crisis Intervention Team
Bike Unit
Safe Return Network
Police Athletic League
Internship Program
Car Seat Installations
Are You O.K. Program
Explorer Program



#### **Board of Police Commissioners**







James Cafferelli



Walter Flynn



Charlene Lebo



James Millington



Norma Peterson



John Stone Jr.

As required by the Charter of the Town of Fairfield (section 10.5), the Police Department is overseen by a Police Commission. Members of the Police Commission are appointed by the Fairfield Board of Selectmen and each member has a term of five (5) years.

Some of the powers and duties of the Police Commission are:

- General management supervision of the Police Department and of all property and equipment used by or in connection with the operation of the department;
- Subject to provisions of the Charter regarding appointment of the Chief of Police, they
  have sole power to appoint and promote to all positions in the Police Department,
  which appointments and promotions shall be made on the basis of merit;
- Determine the qualifications for each rank and grade in the Police Department
- Within the appropriations made for that purpose, determine the number of officers and other employees of the police department and of the several ranks and grades and their compensation.

The Police Commission may also appoint an acting Chief of Police during the absence or disability of the Chief of Police. They may also appoint Special Police Officers.





#### **New Officers**

During 2017 the Fairfield Police Department hired six new police officers.



Eric Fuller 5/22/2017



Jason Greenfield 5/22/2017



Samantha Salato 11/1/2017



Alex MacNamara 12/27/2017



Virgil Procaccini III 12/27/2017



Matthew Bok 12/27/2017





Suzanne Kuroghlian 11/27/2017 Records



Jacquelyn Hoyt
01/03/2017
Emergency Communications
Center



#### **Retired Officers 2017**



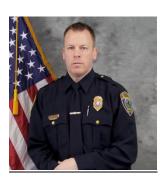
Officer John Tyler Retired: July 6, 2017 28 Years of Service



Sergeant Robert Chaisson Retired: July 7, 2017 29 Years of Service



Officer James Pauciello
Retired: August 13, 2017
28 Years of Service



Officer Benjamin Krygier
Retired: November 11, 2017
18 Years of Service



Officer Jennifer Victoria
Retired: August 22, 2017
11 Years of Service



Officer James Bodnar
Retired: December 15,
2017
30 Years of Service



Marie Chaisson Records Clerk Retired: July 7, 2017

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### 2017 - The Year in Review



#### The Year in Review

The following is just a snapshot of some of the incidents investigated and other activities conducted by the men and women of the Fairfield Police Department in 2017.

#### **JANUARY 2017**

#### 17-635 Narcotics Violation

While on a location check at Sasco Beach, Officer Wells observed a vehicle parked with two male occupants, the vehicles windows were rolled up and he observed smoke inside the vehicle. Upon approach Officer Wells immediately smelled a strong odor of both marijuana and cigarette smoke coming from the vehicle.

Officer Wells deployed his K-9 Partner Jagger, who conducted an air scent on the exterior of the vehicle. Jagger alerted and indicated to the presence of narcotic odor. A vehicle search resulted in the discovery of additional Marijuana, Paraphernalia, Packaging materials, Brass knuckles and several hundred dollars in Cash.

One suspect was issued an E-Ticket for Possession of Marijuana 21a-279a and Possession Drug Paraphernalia 21a-267(d). A second suspect was arrested and charged with Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Sell, Weapon in a Motor Vehicle and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

#### 17-2088 Stolen Vehicle/ Foot Pursuit

Officer Chamberlain was checking suspicious activity on Pease Ave. when multiple occupants exited a stolen vehicle and ran off on foot, Officer Chamberlain took one into custody after a short foot pursuit. Officer Rubis and Sergeant Gunter took another into custody. A short time later Officer Chamberlain had a suspect run from him in the area of Post & Pine and was able to take that subject into custody. Officer Kaesmann and his K-9 located another subject hiding beneath a car.

All four suspects were charged with being in possession of a stolen motor vehicle.

#### 17-2590 M/V Stop - Possession of Narcotics

While on routine patrol, Officer Zerella noticed suspicious activity. Upon conducting a motor vehicle stop he discovered the operator to be in possession of syringes believed to contain a Hallucinogen. He further discovered several varieties of Narcotics in pill form. One suspect was charged with narcotic possession.

#### 17-2588 Sale/Possession w/Intent

While checking on suspicious activity inside a vehicle parked near the Sky Hookah Lounge, Sergeant Riendeau discovered nearly 1 pound of Marijuana packaged for sale and over \$2,400 in cash (small denominations). Also discovered were similar large empty bags believed to have contained Marijuana, as well as smaller plastic bags commonly used for sale of Narcotics

One suspect was charged with Drug possession and intent to sell.

#### **Letters of Appreciation**

The following letter of appreciation was received from a parent of a child that participated in the School Safety Units S.H.A.P.E. program:

Good afternoon Officers,

I wanted to reach out to express my sincere appreciation to the Fairfield Police Department for bringing the S.H.A.P.E. program to the 5th grade class at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School. Last Saturday my daughter had a very busy and stressful sports day filled with all kinds of 10 year old girl drama. After some tears on the car ride home, she calmed herself and remarked that "her cup is full". Not understanding what she meant, I asked to her to explain that statement. She went on in great detail to discuss all that she had learned during the S.H.A.P.E. program, now recognizing that she was feeling stress and having new methods to cope and alleviate it.

You should know how impactful your efforts are and that you have given my daughter a great gift that will help her manage adversity for a lifetime. Your bravery, dedication and service to our community are greatly appreciated.

#### **Letters of Appreciation**

A letter was received from the Office of the Chief's State's Attorney thanking our officers for their assistance to members of the Witness Protection Unit in providing security to a protected family. The letter thanked all the officers involved with a special thanks to Lieutenant Kalamaras, Lieutenant Greene and Det. Papageorge.

#### **Letters of Appreciation**

Mothers Against Drunk Driving sent a letter of thanks to the Fairfield Police Department for our participation and assistance in the annual Fairfield Walk Like MADD that was held in October. They acknowledged Captain Smith and Officer Gary Wikman for their efforts on the walk committee.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Paris recognized Officer Letsch for his quick response to a shoplifting incident. Officer Letsch located the suspect vehicle fleeing the scene and subsequently arrested two individuals that had been committing larcenies throughout the area.



#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Sergeant Zdru for locating a stolen vehicle out of Norwalk and apprehending the suspect.

#### Noteworthy Police Work

Lt Bloch recognized the following officers for their work in locating a stolen vehicle. Officer Chamberlain observed a suspicious vehicle on Pease Avenue and the occupants fled the vehicle. Officers searched the area and were able to locate and apprehend the individuals.

Officer Chamberlain, Officer Rubis, Officer Renaldi, Sergeant Gunter, Sergeant Riendeau, Officer Gorton, Officer Kaesmann, Officer Colwell, Officer Chueka, Officer Perham, Officer Fenton.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Sergeant Riendeau for locating nearly one pound of marijuana packaged for sale, over \$2,400 in cash and drug paraphernalia after investigating suspicious activity on Berwick Avenue.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Officer Zerella for a narcotics arrest during a motor vehicle stop.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Koval recognized Officer Wells for his investigation into suspicious activity at Sasco Beach that resulted in the arrest of a subject for 6 ounces of marijuana, \$1,400 in cash and drug paraphernalia.

#### 17-5485 \_\_Criminal Attempt / Larceny | Riendeau, M | 00451 E Kings Hwy

Sergeant Riendeau observed two subjects out of New York, parked in a van at the rear of the Japanese Steak house at 451 Kings Hwy. One subject was observed outside the van with a flashlight.

Sergeant Riendeau followed the van and ran a registration check on the Ohio plates which came back not on file so a motor vehicle stop was then conducted which led to the discovery of boxes of latex gloves, 55 gallon drums, high pressured siphon and bolt cutters in the van.

Both subjects out of New York were placed under arrest and charged with criminal attempt to commit larceny of the cooking oil from the business.

#### 17-6275 Narcotics Arrest

Officer Zerella and Sergeant Riendeau were acting on a tip and observed a subject opening and closing the hood of a vehicle. Recognizing it to have possibly been an attempt to conceal narcotics, a K-9 team was called to the vehicle and it 'hit' on the same area.

A search ultimately led to the discovery of multiple bags of Cocaine, located within the fuse box under the vehicle hood. In addition, multiple bags of Marijuana were located hidden in a water shaker bottle, and more Cocaine was located on the vehicle passenger.

Two suspects were charged with multiple drug possession charges and cash was seized.

#### 17-6739 Stolen Vehicle

Sergeant Riendeau was on patrol and observed a parked vehicle at Cumberland Farms Kings Hwy. East and ran the plate discovering it was reported stolen out of Greenwich. Sergeant Riendeau was able to take the male into custody without incident.

As the arrest was being made, a second vehicle exited the parking lot onto Chambers St., with its headlights off. Sergeant Zdru turned to follow it, and the vehicle sped away west on Commerce Dr., losing control and crashing at the intersection of Kings Hwy. East at which point the operator fled on foot. This second vehicle was also reported stolen from West Haven. The operator was not located.

#### 17-6901\_\_Suspicious/ Pursuit

A caller reports to 911 that a vehicle was driving through the area with no headlights on and occupant(s) are exiting the vehicle and looking into cars, possibly a gray Audi.

As Officer Matejek arrived on scene, the white or gray Audi A4 (CT AA37063) sped off. Officers attempted to catch the vehicle but the pursuit was terminated.

A short time later while on patrol Officer Matejek located two juveniles who had just been



dropped in the area by an Uber driver. The original caller to police positively identified the younger subject as having been involved in the earlier incident. He was in possession of items supposedly stolen from vehicles in N. Stamford. One of the items, a GPS device, showed a location of Quarry Rd., Stamford, the same area that the Uber had picked up.

The Uber transport had been requested approximately 30 minutes after the initial Fairfield incident was reported

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Irizarry recognized the following officers for their work in locating and apprehending a suspect wanted in connection with a threatening incident on I-95 that involved a handgun. Officers Wells,

Kaesmann, Colwell, Beattie, Kline, McGrath and Telecommunicator Mulligan.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Officer Zerella, Officer Quiles and Sergeant Riendeau after they observed suspicious activity and conducted an investigation that lead to the arrest of an individual for possession of cocaine and marijuana.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Greene recognized Sergeant Irizarry, Officer Koukoulas, Officer Stahl, Officer Kline and Officer McGrath for several proactive arrests made during the shift that included subjects wanted on warrants, unregistered motor vehicles and violation of a restraining order.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Sergeant Riendeau and Sergeant Zdru for their observations of suspicious activities that resulted in one arrest for a stolen vehicle and locating a second stolen vehicle trying to flee the area.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Sergeant Riendeau for locating a stolen vehicle and arresting the operator. The vehicle was returned to the owner.



#### 17-8351 Narcotics Violation

While on routine Patrol Officer Zarella was parked at the end of the cul-de-sac on Berwick Court, when he noticed a male exit a red colored Hyundai. The Hyundai was parked on the side of road in the area in front of #182 Berwick Court. The male later, identified by his NY Driver's License, stumbled onto the property and began to urinate. Another passenger exited the car and both met on the property.

On scene investigation revealed that they were all about to get out of the car and go to the Sky Hookah Lounge.

A check of one subject revealed that he had an active warrant from Troop A Southbury for Possession of Narcotics. After being placed under arrest, a search yielded (3) individual baggies containing marijuana inside of his hooded sweatshirt. The male charged with Possession of Marijuana under ½ ounce and turned over to Connecticut State Police on the warrant.

#### 17-9279 Traffic Stop - Arrest

While on routine patrol an attempt-to-locate hit was received from an LPR on a vehicle wanted by Meriden PD for serial Shoplifters. Officer Zerella stopped the vehicle after it left the Hookah lounge. He located clothing with tags still attached and the operator possessed approximately \$2,000 in cash. Meriden was PD notified.

#### 17-9394 M/V Stop/DUI/Weapons

Sergeant Riendeau observed a vehicle swerving in the roadway, then crossing onto the opposite side of the road. A rear window sticker on the vehicle implied there was a gun onboard.

Upon stopping the vehicle Sergeant Riendeau asked where the gun was located. The intoxicated operator pointed out the area within which the illegally-possessed firearm was concealed. The operator was also found to be in possession of suspected Cocaine, pills, and a baseball bat. He was charged with weapons in a M/V and released on \$5,000 bond

#### 17-10880 Attempted Larceny

The emergency communications center received a report that three males attempted to buy cigarettes from Cumberland Farms with fraudulent credit cards. Sergeant Riendeau stopped the vehicle as it was leaving. Multiple fraudulent credit cards were discovered, as well as cigarettes likely to be the proceeds of earlier thefts. Additionally, each vehicle occupant was from out of state and has an extensive criminal history

All three out of state males were charged with credit card fraud and held on bond.

#### 17-10109 DUI/Interfering

Sergeant Riendeau attempted to initiate a Motor Vehicle Stop after observing a vehicle leaving Sky Hookah accelerate eastbound at a high rate of speed and then accelerate through the red light in the Circle East traffic circle.

The accused was initially stopped by Sergeant Riendeau on Johnson Drive, then when approached by the officer drove off, and then stopped abruptly at Johnson Drive and Chambers Street and again when approached by the officer drove off again and was finally boxed in on the I-95 Eastbound entrance ramp by Officer Chamberlain's police vehicle.

The accused then refused to exit the vehicle, or show his hands and wrapped his feet around the steering wheel resisting all efforts to submit to arrest.

Operator was pulled from the vehicle and on scene investigation led to being charged with driving under the influence, engaging in pursuit and interfering with officers.

#### 17-11069 Counterfeit Arrests

A concerned employee of Victoria's Secret contacted Officer Beattie stating that several males were inside the store and had just made purchases using counterfeit \$100 bills. Several officers set up surveillance outside the store and officers detained a subject on foot after leaving the store.

An on scene investigation led to a positive identification of all three subjects by a store employee. The subsequent investigation showed that all three men purchased merchandise totaling \$1,000.00 with counterfeit bills and were further in possession of \$1,200 in additional counterfeit bills.

All three subjects charged with forgery for the counterfeit bills and larceny for the theft of merchandise.

#### 17-11691 Counterfeit Currency Arrests

A concerned employee contacted Officer Beattie for a second time stating that two males were inside Victoria Secret and had just made purchases using counterfeit \$100 bills.

Officers positioned themselves across the street from the entrance to the store just as a male exited the store carrying a Victoria's Secret shopping bag. Officer Kaesmann exited his patrol vehicle and made contact with the male and informed him of the reason for stopping him. On scene investigation revealed additional counterfeit bills on his person.

Officer Beattie arrived on scene and made contact with the second male as he exited the store. The on scene investigation led to both subjects being placed under arrest, one subject was found to be in possession of multiple receipts from Victoria Secret in both New York and South Carolina.

A vehicle used to transport the subjects from NY to Fairfield to commit their crime was seized and impounded where additional evidence was found. A total of \$2,200 in counterfeit currency was seized as well as \$1,200 in merchandise.

Both males were charged with Forgery 1, Larceny 6<sup>th</sup> and Conspiracy and released on \$5,000 bond.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

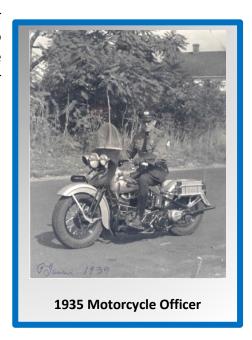
Sergeant Irizarry recognized Officer McGrath for his work in locating a subject wanted on a domestic violence related arrest warrant.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Greene recognized Sergeant Koval, Officer Beattie and Officer Kaesmann for their proactive investigation that resulted in the arrests of three subjects from New York who were passing counterfeit money at Victoria's Secret on Post Road.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized the following officers for their work investigating a report of 3 subjects attempting to purchase items with a fraudulent credit card. The three subjects identified and arrested. Sergeant Riendeau, Officer Zerella, Officer Kline, Officer Ricco and Officer DeAngelis.



#### 17-11965 Narcotics Violation

Officer Quiles on routine patrol observed suspicious activity in a parked vehicle on Berwick Ave. an area where Hookah lounge patrons park their vehicles. Quiles observed three subjects in the car and the car was filled with smoke.

On scene investigation led to a search and two persons charged for Possession of Marijuana

#### 17-12508 Larceny

A reported bank fraud was reported at Wells Fargo 2115 Black Rock Tpk. The suspects had left the scene. The suspect vehicle was observed south on North Benson Rd. The vehicle was then located traveling West on the Post Rd.

After a lengthy on scene investigation stop it was determined the two occupants of the rental car were committing large scale bank fraud at many banks in the area. Detectives assisted with processing and seizing of the vehicle.

Two out of state suspects arrested on multiple charges.

#### 17-12783 M/V Stop - Narcotics

Officer Quiles conducted a motor vehicle stop on Post Road in the area of Colony Grill, for a no turn on red violation. During the stop he smelled the odor of Marijuana emanating for the vehicle.

On scene investigation resulted in the search of the vehicle which led to the discovery of, 45 bags (49g) of Heroin, Crack cocaine, 2 bags of Marijuana, Heroin and 30 syringes.

All three males were charged with Narcotics possession.

#### 17-13124 Larceny/Forgery

Officers were at Cumberland Farms when an employee reported three suspects attempted to use credit cards believed to be fraudulent. An on scene investigation revealed multiple credit cards in their possession which contained fraudulent magnetic stripe information.

All three subjects were charged with Forgery and Credit Card fraud.

#### **17-15021 M/V Burglaries**

Officer Chamberlain discovered three males walking in the area of Melville Avenue and Montauk Street in possession of a tablet/computer and other items likely to have come from area vehicles.

It was discovered that the tablet was stolen and the tablet's owner was located on Buena Vista. The three males were arrested on charges relating to the theft.

#### 17-13039 Assistance

Officer Wells and K-9 Jagger were detailed to Bridgeport to search for an armed suspect that fled a vehicle on foot. Officer Wells responded to Park Ave and North Ave to start a track

The K-9 track led to the front porch area of a two family house at 1620 Park Avenue. K-9 Jagger located and apprehended the subject hiding under items on the front porch. A handgun and a fully loaded magazine were recovered in the immediate area.

#### 17-13151 Stolen MV Arrest

While on patrol Officer Kaesmann received a License Plate Reader hit on a stolen car taken in Fairfield the day earlier. Officer Kaesmann followed the vehicle and waited for back up officers.

Officers conducted a felony stop on the car on Interstate 95 and took the suspect into custody without incident. One male charged with possession of the stolen car and held on bond.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Greene recognized Sergeant Koval, Officer Kaesmann and Officer Beattie for their proactive work that resulted in the arrests of three individuals on counterfeit currency charges. Additionally, the arrests resulted in the seizure of a motor vehicle, \$2,200 in counterfeit cash and the recovery of \$1,200 in merchandise.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Nook recognized Officer Wells, Officer Thresher and K9 Jagger for their work tracking a suspect for the Bridgeport Police. The suspect was possibly armed with a handgun. They located the suspect hiding on a porch and took him into custody. A loaded handgun was found in close proximity to where the suspect was located.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Sergeant Riendeau for making an arrest of a subject who was hiding inside a business. Sergeant Riendeau observed the suspect walking on Commerce Drive, conducted a surveillance and coordinated patrol response.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Sergeant Riendeau, Officer Zerella and Officer Gorton for locating and arresting two suspects for credit card fraud.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Koval recognized Officer Kaesmann for his work in locating a stolen motor vehicle and taking the suspect into custody.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Riendeau recognized Officer Quiles who conducted a motor vehicle stop, located small amounts of heroin, marijuana and drug paraphernalia and through his investigation was able to locate 1.75 ounces of heroin and over an ounce of crack cocaine hidden in the vehicle.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Chief MacNamara received a letter from a resident who wanted to thank several officers for their professionalism and compassion. Officer Pauciello was on scene for the death of his

mother and his kind and thoughtful behavior "made a dark moment considerably more bearable." On a separate occasion Officer Stahl and Officer Griffin had to deliver the bad news that the resident's brother had died while in Florida. The resident remarked, "kind and thoughtful, they represented the department and you, with grace and style."

#### Walk A Mile In Her Shoes

Chief MacNamara and other law enforcement officials participated in this year's "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event on April 29<sup>th</sup>. The event is held to raise awareness of domestic violence.



#### 17-18749 Breach Of Peace

ECC received a 911 call of a Disturbance at Euphoria Hookah, 1565 Black Rock Turnpike, after a male and female were confronted for attempting to steal an item.

Upon arrival, both parties were argumentative and interfered with officers. The male lied multiple times regarding his identity, and the female spit on an officer during handcuffing.

Both parties had active arrest warrants in NCIC and were additionally charged with Breach of Peace and Interfering with an officer.

#### 17-19601 Investigation

While on routine patrol Officer Chamberlain came upon a male in the street at 0153 hours. On scene investigation led to the officer backtracking the path of male who was being deceptive in his explanation as to the reason for his presence on the street.

Officer Chamberlain discovered a backpack that the male had hidden beneath a tarp in a nearby backyard. The Back pack was found to possess cocaine and marijuana and the male was charged with narcotics possession.

#### 17-20188 Assistance

Officer Kaesmann and Officer DeAngelis assisted Westport with a track following a Domestic incident. K-9 Maverick and officers tracked to the subject and took him into custody for Westport.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Weihe recognized the following group of officers and supervisors for their work on an investigation into a threat that was posted on social media and involved a school in Fairfield. After interviews, examination of evidence, locating suspects and completing a thorough investigation the threat was able to be determined as not credible.

Lieutenant Bloch, Sergeant Koval, Sergeant Esposito, Officer Chlebowski, Officer Victoria, Officer Terifay, Officer Quiles, Officer Burke, Officer Thresher, Officer Wells, Officer DiMarco, Det. Irizarry, Det. Clark and TCC Clancy.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Riendeau recognized Officer Chamberlain for locating three individuals and developing evidence that resulted in the arrest of the three suspects for numerous car break-ins in the Melville Avenue area.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

A letter of appreciation was sent by Chief Heavey of the Greenwich Police Department for the assistance Officer Wells and K9 Jagger provided at the scene of a bank robbery.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

A note of thanks was sent by a citizen who wanted to recognize Officer Letsch for the work he did investigating a hit and run accident.

#### **New Officers**

Jason Greenfield and Eric Fuller







Chief MacNamara, Officer Greenfield, Officer Fuller, First Selectman Tetreau



**JUNE 2017** 

#### 17-21808 Burglary

ECC received a report of alarm activation at the Brooklawn Country Club Pool House . Sergeant Zdru and Officer Quiles arrived and discovered two male suspects inside the building

The two male suspects ran out and Officer Quiles was able to catch up to the suspects and take them both into custody. Both suspects were in possession of knives; one more than 4" in length

Both suspects were charged with Burglary, Trespass and Possession of a Deadly weapon. One suspect had multiple outstanding warrants that were served at FPD.

#### 17-23631 Assistance / Ct. State Police

State Police Troop G reported a reckless driver on I-95 in Fairfield traveling in the northbound center median divider. Officer Colwell located the vehicle on I-95 in the area of Exit 21 with the vehicle's left side tires riding on the Jersey barrier (off the roadway).

Officer Colwell attempted to stop the vehicle with Officer Kaesmann following behind. Sergeant Paris deployed stop sticks and spiked the right side tires of the vehicle. The vehicle came to a stop and again accelerated forward into the open door of a State police cruiser.

Fairfield officers assisted State police in removing the suspect from the vehicle and taking him into custody. Officer Sudora, Certified Drug Recognition Expert observed the subject in the emergency room and conducted follow up drug testing once the subject was transported to State Police Troop G.

#### 17-23336 Armed Robbery

ECC received a report of an attempted carjacking involving two suspects at Woodfield Village on Easton Turnpike. The victim reported he refused to turn over his car keys and the suspects fled the scene in a dark colored sedan.

Trumbull Police had reported a carjacking in their town several hours earlier with similar suspects. Patrol Officers responded to the Easton Turnpike area and searched for the armed suspects and a dark colored vehicle.

During the course of the search, Sergeant Riendeau initiated a motor vehicle stop on a vehicle of similar description in Stratfield center, on scene investigation determined that the individuals responsible for the robbery were in the vehicle and they were in possession of a facsimile firearm. One Adult and One Juvenile charged with Robbery and other related charges.

#### 17-23910 M/V Stop - Narcotics

During the course of a M/V stop, Officer DeAngelis observed contraband inside the vehicle and Officer Quiles acquired an admission from the operator of his ongoing drug sales.

Two bags of Marijuana were discovered in the vehicle, along with a scale, baggies, and cash. Further investigation revealed additional marijuana and cash at his home. The suspect charged with multiple Drug and Intent to sell charges.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Officer DeAngelis and Officer Quiles for their proactive enforcement that resulted in the arrest of an individual for drug sales. They seized 200 grams of marijuana and over \$2,000 in cash.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Cain of the Connecticut State Police recognized Fairfield Police officers for their assistance in stopping a reckless driver on I-95. Our officers deployed stop sticks and assisted in the arrest of the driver.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

The manager of the Pequot Yacht Club sent a letter thanking our Marine Unit for their participation in the PYC Southport Harbor Safety Drill.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Zdru recognized Officer Quiles for his work in apprehending two suspects in the process of committing a burglary. Officer Quiles had responded to a burglar alarm, observed a male exiting a window. There was a second subject also involved. He pursued both on foot and was able to take them into custody.

#### Noteworthy Police Work

Sergeant VanDerheyden recognized Officer Wilkie, Officer Zerella, Officer Wells and Officer Wikman for their work in locating a subject who had just stolen \$400 in cash from the Jennings Beach guard shack.

#### Noteworthy Police Work

A letter was received thanking Sergeant Riendeau, Sergeant Paris, Officer Burke and Officer Mazzocchi for their quick and efficient investigation into a missing person complaint.

#### **Special Olympics Torch Run**

On June 9<sup>th</sup> members of the Fairfield Police Department participated in the annual Special Olympics Torch Run. The run comes through Fairfield on the Post Road and makes a short stop at Sherman Green.





#### Juneteenth Parade

On June 10<sup>th</sup> several members of the Fairfield Police Department along with First Selectman Tetreau and State Senator Hwang participated in the annual Juneteenth Parade in Bridgeport.

#### **Canine Donation**

On June 14<sup>th</sup>, members of the Fairfield Police Canine Unit accepted a donation to the canine program from Dr. Janice Duffy of Norwalk Veterinary Hospital and Sue Gabriel. This was for their assistance with the Animal Nation Fundraiser conducted in April.



**JULY 2017** 

#### **17-24177** Burglary

The Emergency Communications Center received a report of two males behind Bob's Sores appearing to be breaking into a locked storage container with tools in hand.

Upon arrival, Officer Fracassini reported two males running from him towards the Post Rd Officer Fracassini and Officer Zerella later reported both subjects in custody.

Both males charged with multiple Burglary and Conspiracy charges



#### **17-24830** Assistance

Trumbull Police requested a K9 respond to their town to track a burglary suspect so Officer Wells and K9 Jagger responded to Deerfield Rd.

A track was started and K-9 Jagger led the officers to the suspect's house where he was apprehended without incident.

#### 17-24744 Larceny/Theft

Officers responded to Victoria Secret on a report of counterfeit bills being used by a customer.

On Scene officers detained three out of state suspects. After an investigation, the three were charged with forgery and related charges.

#### 17-24763 Traffic Stop - Arrest

Officer Kline stopped a vehicle after his license plate reader unit signaled a hit for a stolen vehicle. On scene investigation determined the accused was operating a vehicle which was reported stolen after not being returned to JFK airport as a rental car.

The operator was found to have an active Violation of Probation warrant out of Trumbull and an active extraditable warrant out of NY. .

#### 17-25706 Investigation-Arrest

Officers responded to camera motion activation at Mercedes Benz. Officer Terifay located a male juvenile subject near the Mercedes Benz dealership. On approach the juvenile continued to put his hands in his pockets. Officer Terifay patted him down locating 3 handgun magazines.

Further investigation revealed a .45 cal. handgun tossed into the grass 20 feet from the juvenile. The firearm had just been taken from a stolen car in Bridgeport.

The juvenile was charged with theft and firearms charges and turned over to a guardian.

#### 17-26471 MV Crash-Evading

Officers responded to a motor vehicle crash at the bottom of Exit 24. The vehicle struck several traffic signs and a traffic pole knocking out traffic signals in Circle East. When officers arrived on scene they discovered two occupants fled the vehicle on foot.

On scene search and investigation led to the positive identification of the male subjects walking towards Bridgeport who were uncooperative and denied any involvement in the crash.

The operator was charged with Evading Responsibility, Operation without a license and multiple M/V violations.

#### 17-27950 Larceny/Pursuit

The emergency communications center received a call of subjects taking a snow blower from a driveway on Reid Street. Officer Fenton arrived to find a pick up leaving the area with a snow blower in the back cargo bed. Officer Fenton attempted to stop the vehicle which fled onto Black Rock Turnpike and then onto I-95 North bound. The pursuit was terminated on I-95 and the vehicle fled north on Route 8.

Bridgeport and State PD pursued the vehicle, and deployed spike strips to deflate the tires. The vehicle came to a stop on Route 8 at Nichols Ave., where the sole occupant was taken into custody by Bridgeport and Trumbull officers, the snow blower was recovered

Fairfield Officers arrived and took the suspect into custody. The suspect charged with multiple larceny and motor vehicle charges and held on bond.

#### 17-27763 Narcotics Arrest

Officer DeAngelis observed a stopped vehicle at Tunxis Hill Park occupied by two persons. On scene investigation led to the discovery of a strong odor of burnt marijuana and a search led to the discovery of several ounces of marijuana, packaging materials and a large amount of cash.

The suspect was charged with several drug related charges.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Riendeau recognized Officer Beattie, Officer Colwell, Officer Koukoulas and Officer Kaesmann for their work in the investigation and apprehension of several suspects attempting to pass counterfeit currency at Victoria Secrets.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Zdru recognized Officer Kaesmann, Officer Chamberlain, Officer Kline and Officer Fenton for their response to several suspicious males in the area of Buena Vista and Wilson Street. The suspects initially ran from officers but were later located hiding in the area. The officers' investigation showed the suspects were responsible for several car break-ins.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Irizarry recognized Officer Kline for his work in identifying a stolen motor vehicle and making the arrest of the operator. The suspect was also wanted on several outstanding warrants.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Greene recognized Sergeant Riendeau and Officer Zerella for their work locating and identifying suspects in two attempted carjackings. Officer Zerella was able to obtain a confession from one of the suspects.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Koval recognized Officer DeAngelis for his locating a suspicious vehicle and through his investigation developed evidence to arrest the operator on several drug charges.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Telecommunicators Kuczo and Champney after they received a call from a suicide hotline attempting to locate a person threatening suicide. They were able to research the name and then coordinated a response with Newtown Police who located the woman.

#### **Letter of Recognition**

Chief Sequeira of the Shelton Police Department sent a letter of thanks to members of the Fairfield Police Dive Team for their response to an incident on July 19, 2017 on the Housatonic River in Shelton.

#### **Retirement**

#### Sergeant Robert Chaisson

Sergeant Robert Chaisson retired after 29 years of service with the Fairfield Police Department. Sergeant Chaisson served in Patrol and Special Services. He worked many years as a crash investigator and accident reconstructionist.





Officer John Tyler

Officer John Tyler retired after 28 years of service. Officer Tyler worked as a patrol officer and as an accident investigator.

#### Community Event- Coffee- with a Cop

On Saturday, July 1, 2017, Officers on the day shift hosted a two-hour Coffee with a Cop event hosted at Duchess Restaurant, 625 Post Road. Members of the community were invited to stop by for free coffee and meet with officers in a neutral space to discuss a wide range of topics.

Approximately 30 citizens interacted with the officers during the two hour event.

#### **AUGUST 2017**

#### 17-28739 Traffic Stop - Arrest

Sergeant Riendeau located a Hyundai traveling near the traffic circle and a DMV check showed the vehicle stolen out of Meriden.

The vehicle was stopped on North Benson and the operator was taken into custody w/o incident. Several electronics were seized from the stolen car.

The operator was arrested for possession of the stolen car and marijuana possession.

#### 17-28661 Narcotics

During the course of a traffic stop Officer Mazzocchi detected the odor of marijuana . K-9 Jagger was deployed around the exterior of the vehicle. During the air scent, K-9 Jagger alerted and indicated to the presence of narcotic odor on the passenger side window of the vehicle. K-9 Jagger then searched the interior of the vehicle. During the search of the vehicle, K-9 Jagger alerted and indicated to the presence of narcotic odor on the driver door arm rest and center ash tray in the vehicle.

The suspect was charged with multiple motor vehicle and narcotics charges.

#### 17-28516 Suspicious Person

The emergency communications center received a call of two males going through cars in the Enterprise parking lot. On scene investigation determined the vehicle they arrived in was stolen out of a New York Rental agency. Several enterprise vehicles had also been entered by the suspects.

Both were charged with multiple counts of larceny and possession of the stolen car.

#### 17-31509 Larceny Arrest

Lieutenant Bloch observed a van idling in front of Rawleys, 1902 Post Rd., at 4:42 am. On scene investigation revealed the subjects out of New York had just taken cooking oil from behind both Rawley's and Avellino's and were involved in other thefts in both New York and Connecticut.

Both New York suspects were charged with larceny and held on bond.

#### 17-32417 Missing Persons

The emergency communications center received a call of two missing foster children (18 & 15y/o.) Officer Peck located a stolen vehicle in which the two missing persons were passengers.

The operator was charged with Larceny and both missing foster children were returned home.

# **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Gunter recognized Officer Koukoulas for his response to an infant accidently locked inside a car with the windows closed on a hot day. He was able to gain entry into the car and remove the infant from the vehicle.

# **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Riendau recognized Officer Renaldi for checking on a suspicious vehicle and through his investigation located a bag containing suspected heroin in the vehicle.

# **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Paris recognized Officer Perham for his response to a sinking vessel in Long Island Sound. All the occupants were rescued. He later conducted a search for the sunken vessel, locating it one mile north of Penfield Lighthouse, completely submerged.

# **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Sergeant Riendeau for locating and stopping a vehicle matching the description of a vehicle used in multiple shootings in Bridgeport. The vehicle was a stolen vehicle and the occupant was taken into custody.

# Retirement

# Officer James Pauciello

Officer James Pauciello retired after 28 years of service with the Fairfield Police Department.



# Officer Jennifer Victoria

Officer Jennifer Victoria retired after 11 years of service. Officer Victoria worked as a patrol officer and as a member of the school safety unit.



## 17-34842 Disturbance-Arrests

The emergency communications center received a call about two males attempting to buy liquor and causing a disturbance at That's the Spirit Shop 740 Fairfield Beach Rd. On scene investigation determined the two males attempted to purchase liquor and were under age using foul language in the store while others were present. One male was uncooperative upon officer's arrival.

Both males charged with Breach of Peace and Creating a Public Disturbance.

#### 17-34060 Assistance

CSP Troop G requests a K9 respond to the area of Sanford Place in Bridgeport after the operator of a vehicle fled on foot after engaging Troopers in pursuit. Officer Kaesmann with K9 Maverick and Off Koukoulas tracked the suspect to his apartment where he was taken into custody.

# 17-33996 Alarm - Burglary

Sonitrol Alarm Company reported an active alarm at Citgo 2515 Black Rock Tpk. On scene investigation determined a Burglary had just occurred.

Stratford PD had put a B.O.L.O. for a Grey Minivan wanted in a Commercial Burglary and Sergeant Riendeau located a gray minivan minutes later at Swedish motor works. Upon seeing the patrol vehicle, the suspect vehicle fled southbound. Patrols engaged the vehicle in pursuit onto I-95 where it was terminated. Bridgeport police re-engaged the pursuit and took 2 suspects into custody.

#### 17-33954 Stolen Reg. Plate / Wanted Person Ramp

At 16:34 hours while conducting Motor Vehicle Enforcement at Exit 19 in Southport, Officer Greenfield attempted to stop a Dodge Neon with a Stolen License plate. The vehicle fled from Officer Greenfield and the sole occupant/operator bailed out from the moving vehicle which drove across two lawns on Osborne Lane.

Officer Greenfield called out the fleeing operator description and a perimeter was quickly established. K9 Officer Kaesmann and Maverick tracked the suspect through several yards and subsequently located the subject hiding in a side yard.

The suspect was apprehended by K9 Maverick. Suspect was taken into custody and charged with multiple criminal, narcotics and motor vehicle charges.

## 17-35538 Robbery-Arrest

While on patrol Officer Letsch witnessed a car chasing two males running across the Staples parking lot. One male was caught and the second male could not be located after an extensive search. On scene investigation revealed the two males had just robbed a female of a sealed package addressed out of state. The package was dropped and recovered in the parking lot.

Upon interviewing the victim officers became suspicious of the package. Officer Wells responded with K9 Jagger and the K9 alerted to the package.

A search warrant was drafted for the package and it was found to contain a large amount of cash packaged to avoid detection.

Suspect charged with Robbery, Larceny and Conspiracy charges - Released on \$50,000 bond

## 17-36515 Assist -Bridgeport PD

Bridgeport Police requested a narcotics detection K9 respond to an apartment on the corner of Barnum Ave and Caroline St to assist in the search of an apartment. On scene Officer Kaesmann deployed K9 Maverick, to the third floor of the building and began a narcotics sweep. K9 Maverick gave indications to the presence of narcotic odor.

A subsequent search found several bags of suspected marijuana, a scale, and multiple opened baggies which are commonly used to package narcotics in the areas where K9 Maverick gave his indications. Bridgeport Officers located a bundle of suspected heroin and a firearm which had been thrown from a bedroom window and landed on the roof of the neighboring apartment building.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Sergeant Riendeau, Sergeant Zdru, Officer Ricco and Officer Fenton after Sergeant Riendeau located a vehicle matching the description of a vehicle used during a burglary in Stratford. The vehicle engaged the officers in a pursuit which ended in Bridgeport. Two suspects were taken into custody and items from a Fairfield burglary were recovered in the vehicle.

# **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Nook recognized Officer Young for his quick actions during a medical call involving a opioid overdose. Officer Young administered Narcan and the subject, who had been unresponsive, regained consciousness.

# **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Irizarry recognized Officer Bennett for her work in locating a missing person with Alzheimer's disease.

# **Noteworthy Police Work**

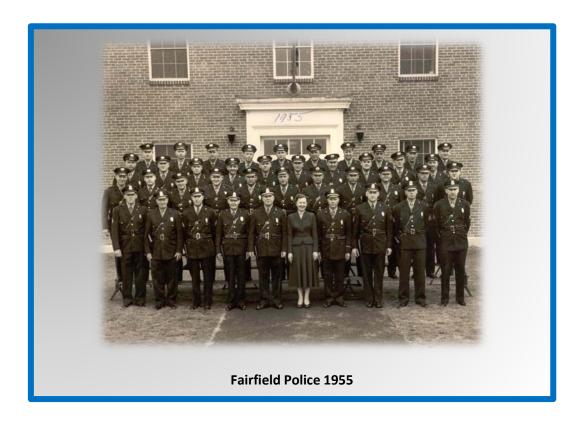
Sergeant Paris and Sergeant Hine recognized Det. Clark, Det. Burbige and Officer Letsch for their work in apprehending a suspect who committed a robbery, larceny and burglary in the parking lot of Staples. Further investigation resulted in the seizure of a large amount of marijuana.

## **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Paris recognized Officer Csizmadia for his work in locating two missing fisherman.

#### **Letter of Thanks**

The department received a letter of thanks from the family who lost their son on August 17<sup>th</sup>. They sent a "heartfelt thanks to you for all your kindness and compassion" and stated, "The residents of Fairfield are very fortunate to have such a wonderful, professional Police Department."



# OCTOBER 2017



#### 17-39561 Assistance-Arrest

Officer Wells was dispatched to assist Westport PD after a Car Stop on Bridge St. in Westport after a male suspect fled on foot and dropped a fully loaded pistol. Officer Wells along with K-9 Jagger started a track from the vehicle.

Shortly after Officer Kaesmann along with K-9 Maverick returned to the suspect's jacket and started another track. The track led to a shed and Maverick found the suspect inside the shed hiding from officers.

The suspect has a lengthy history including criminal possession of a firearm and was turned over Westport Police.

#### 17-40863 Stolen vehicle –Recovered

Off Wikman noticed 3 vehicles traveling in close proximity east bound on the Post Rd from Westport. Officer Wikman observed the three vehicles enter the Shell station and then flee the lot at a high rate of speed East and enter exit 19 northbound.

Officer Wikman caught up to the vehicles on the entrance ramp, where he observed several subjects bail out of a white Infinity and enter a black sedan. Officer Wikman attempted to stop the two remaining vehicles and lost sight of the fleeing vehicles at exit 21.

The vehicles were last seen by Off Rubis and Sergeant Zdru traveling North on 95 in excess of 100mph. The Infinity abandoned on the entrance ramp was determined to have just been stolen out of Westport.

# 17-41182 Theft from motor vehicle -Arrest

The emergency communications center received a call of a male wearing a black sweatshirt with a hood up who had just walked into a back yard of a neighbor's house on Fairmount Terr. Patrols were sent to the area and Officer Zerella located two subjects later linked to entering vehicles at the time of the call.

Both subjects were taken into custody and charged with Conspiracy to commit Burglary  $3^{rd}$  and Conspiracy to commit Larceny  $6^{th}$  and held on bond.

#### 17-41579 Stolen Vehicle-Recovered

Sergeant Zdru observed 3 suspected stolen cars traveling together on the Old Post Rd and then enter the traffic circle at a high rate of speed. One of the vehicles left the road and struck a fire hydrant in the traffic circle and continued north bound with Sergeant Zdru in pursuit. All three vehicles entered I-95 north bound with Zdru in pursuit. The pursuit was terminated on I-95 near exit 26.

Sergeant Zdru checked the area and located one of the vehicles (Jeep Cherokee) abandoned and unoccupied on Worden Ave. in Bridgeport. On scene investigation reveal the vehicle was stolen minutes earlier from Rowland Rd.

# **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Perez recognized Sergeant Koval, Officer Young and Officer Krushinski for their actions dealing with a suicidal woman who was threatening them with a knife. They were able to subdue the woman using a Taser and sending her to the hospital for evaluation.

# **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Greene recognized Sergeant Irizarry, Officer Greenfield, Officer Young and Officer Kaesmann for their proactive work in which Officer Greenfield and Officer Young located a stolen vehicle. After a short pursuit the suspect ran on foot. With the assistance of the other officers and K9 Maverick, the suspect was located and taken into custody.

## **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized Sergeant Zdru after he located several suspicious vehicles in an area prone to car thefts and burglaries. The vehicles took off from Sergeant Zdru at a high rate of speed. Sergeant Zdru pursued the vehicles onto I-95. After terminating the pursuit he found one of the vehicles abandoned in Bridgeport. The vehicle had been stolen from Rowland Road.



# **NOVEMBER 2017**

#### 17-45183 Stolen Vehicle

ECC received a call of a red sedan pulling onto the front yard while the neighbors are away for Thanksgiving. On scene officers found the vehicle abandoned and reported stolen out of New York. Officer Wells and K-9 Jagger responded to start a track. Officers located a suspect walking in the area on foot and traced him back to the stolen car. The suspect was taken into custody and charged with the stolen car and active warrants.

#### 17-45356 Assault

ECC received a call of a stabbing at a residence on Pequot Ave. Multiple officers responded, on scene investigation determined a verbal argument between stepbrothers turned physical inside of their parent's home which led to one brother stabbing the other in the hand with serrated butter knife. Both brothers charged with Assault 2nd and Disorderly Conduct, one brother transported to the hospital for hand injury.

# 17-45986 Untimely Death

ECC received a call of a possible over dose inside a residence. Officers arrived and located a subject in the basement not breathing. Officer Nadeau began to perform CPR while awaiting the arrival of AMR and the Fairfield Fire Department. Officer Mazzocchi administered Narcan.

AMR arrived on scene and administered additional aide. Subject's condition was unchanged and later pronounced deceased on scene. The death investigation was turned over to the Detective Bureau.

# **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Zdru recognized Officer DeAngelis for his work assisting the Connecticut State Police during a pursuit of vehicle and suspects wanted in connection with a larceny in Westport. Officer DeAngelis was able to successfully deploy stop sticks as the vehicle exited exit 23, resulting in the vehicle stopping and the suspects taken into custody.

# **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Paris recognized Officer Beattie for his work stopping a vehicle that fled a traffic stop, struck the officer's vehicle and then engaged officers in a pursuit onto I-95. The vehicle was stopped and the operator arrested.

## **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Gunter recognized Officer Wells for his assistance during a Bridgeport robbery investigation. Officer Wells responded to the scene and assisted Bridgeport Police by tracking the suspect to an area in Fairfield where video surveillance tapes showed the suspect and getaway vehicle. Several days later Officer Wells located a vehicle matching the description, conducted surveillance and identified the suspect from the robbery. He stopped the car and developed information that was passed to Bridgeport Police.

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Lieutenant Bloch recognized the following personnel for their work locating and apprehending a suspect in a residential burglary as well as several vehicle burglaries.

Sergeant Zdru, Sergeant Riendeau, Officer Matejek, Officer Zerella, Officer Gorton, Officer Kaesmann, K9 Maverick, Officer Rubis, Officer Cheuka, Officer DiMarco, Officer Renaldi, Trooper Mitri and his K9 Silver.

# **Letters of Thanks**

Lieutenant Pinto of Stratford Police expressed his thanks for the assistance of Officer Wells, K9 Jagger and Officer Koukoulas in the search for several suspects who ran from a stolen motor vehicle and attempted to steal other vehicles in the area.

## **Letters of Thanks**

Commissioner Susan Barrett sent a letter of thanks recognizing Officer Gorton and Officer Letsch for their assistance during a family emergency.

#### **Letters of Thanks**

Nancy Dowling, Bunnell High School Principal sent a letter of thanks recognizing Officer Kaesmann, K9 Maverick, Officer Wells and K9 Jagger for their participation in a building and campus sweep at the high school.

# **Letters of Thanks**

Deputy Chief Mark Buckley of the New Milford Police Department sent a letter of thanks recognizing Sergeant Irizarry for his assistance during the assessment process to select a K9 officer.

# **New Officer**

# Samantha Salato



Chief MacNamara, Samantha Salato, First Selectman Michael Tetreau



# **DECEMBER 2017**

#### 17-47386 Recovered Stolen MV

Bridgeport Police put out a BOLO for CT AJ26557 taken in a carjacking on North Ave / Suspects described as two males with a firearm. Short time later the carjacking victim was found shot at Maplewood Ave / Howard Ave.

Sergeant Riendeau located the vehicle unoccupied I-95 NB Exit 23 ramp with a discarded jacket located on Grasmere Ave.

Patrols set a perimeter utilizing entire shift. Fairfield, Bridgeport, Westport and State K9s responded but were unable to locate the suspects.

The investigation was turned over to Bridgeport PD detectives.

# 17-47324 Assist another agency

Adult Probation requested a narcotic K-9 at a Harrell Ave residence in Bridgeport for a probation violation investigation.

Officer Wells responded and conducted a narcotics sweep of the person and his residence. K9 Jagger checked a bedroom and kitchen area of the apartment. K-9 Jagger alerted and indicated to the presence of narcotic odor on a garbage can in the kitchen, a kitchen cabinet drawer, and a cabinet above the sink in the kitchen.

K-9 Jagger also alerted and indicated to the presence of narcotic odor on a small plastic cabinet in the bedroom next to the bed. The probation Officer recovered heroin and ecstasy from the drawer and cabinet. Assistance rendered.

## 17-50083 Emergency Medical Call

The emergency communications center received a call of a male choking in a residence on South St. Officer Chamberlain responded and performed the Heimlich maneuver repeatedly until a food item was dislodged from the man's throat. The victim's air way was open and his ability to breathe was fully restored

#### **Noteworthy Police Work**

Sergeant Koval recognized Officer Greenfield after Officer Greenfield located a missing person who was potentially suicidal. The woman was sent to the hospital for evaluation.

## **Letters of Thanks**

A letter of thanks was received from Sturm, Ruger & Co., Inc. recognizing Lieutenant Kalamaras and other officers for their assistance during an event at their business in Fairfield.

# **Letters of Thanks**

A note of thanks was received from Lyn Fine-McCarthy, Executive Director of St. Vincent's Medical Center Foundation expressing their gratitude to the Fairfield Police Department for the donation of toys for the children.



#### **Letters of Thanks**

Chief James Heavey of the Greenwich Police Department sent a letter of thanks for the assistance provided by Officer Colwell, Officer Wells and K9 Jagger during a burglary investigation in their town.

# **Letters of Thanks**

A note of thanks was sent by Christine Boccamazzo recognizing Officer Chamberlain for his quick response to a medical call during which he was able to clear an obstructed airway of a person choking on food. She stated, "The amazing short response time, the wonderful, courteous and professional work done by Officer Chamberlain, Lieutenant Higgins and his group literally saved …life on NY's Eve. Also the telecommunicator that assisted my girlfriend was kind, courteous and calming and stayed with her on the line to the responders arrived."

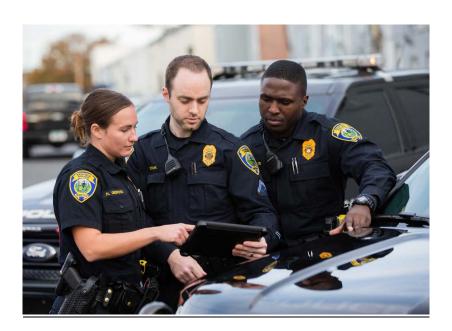
# **New Officers**



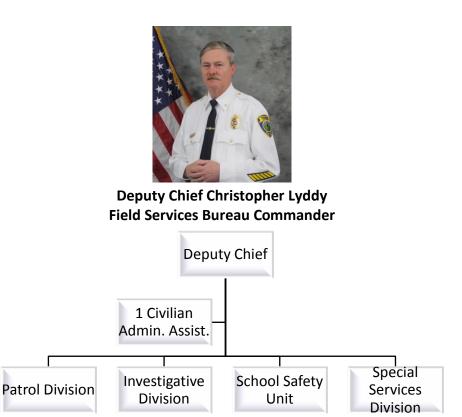
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# **Bureau and Divisional Information**



# **Field Services Bureau**

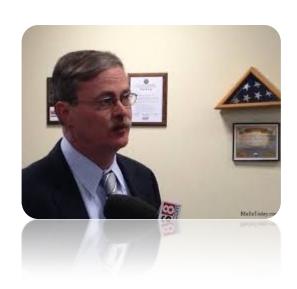


The Field Services Bureau manages the following divisions within the Fairfield Police Department:

- Patrol
- Investigative
- School Safety Unit
- Special Services Division

In addition, the Field Services Bureau is responsible for:

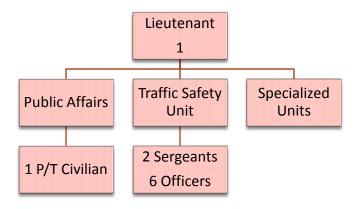
- Police Budget
- Emergency Services Unit
- Critical Incident Response
- Specialized Task Forces
- Police Explorers



# **Special Services Unit**



Lieutenant Robert Kalamaras
Division Commander



The Special Services Division is responsible for the following functions:

Traffic Enforcement
Crash Investigation
Traffic Surveys
Motorcycle Unit
Special Event Planning
Vehicle Maintenance
Dive Team
Marine Unit
Emergency Services Unit
Special Events Coordination

Public Affairs
Social Media
Public Information
Community Programs
Crime Prevention
Neighborhood Watch
Safe Return Program
R-U-Ok Program
School Crossing Guards

#### **Public Affairs**

The Public Affairs Unit is responsible for:

- Public Information
- Neighborhood Watch Coordination
- Crime Prevention
- School Crossing Guards
- Traffic Surveys
- Code Enforcement
- Block Parties
- R-U-Ok Program



# **Special Events**

Member of the Special Services Division assisted with the planning and coordination of numerous special events, including:

- Boston Buildup 20k Road Race, February 2017
- Warren Street St. Patrick's Day Classic, March 2017
- Sacred Heart University Spring Concert, March 2017
- The Donnelly Dash Road Race, April, 2017
- Fairfield University Clam Jam, April 2017
- Blessing of the Fleet and Street Parade, June 2017
- American Cancer Society Relay for Life, June 2017
- Fairfield Half Marathon

- Annual Fairfield Fireworks Event, July 2017
- Connecticut Challenge Bike Ride, July 2017
- Bigelow Tea 5k Road Race, September 2017
- Annual Bike Rodeo for Safety, September, 2017
- Colony Grill 5k Road Race, November, 2017
- Pequot Runners Thanksgiving Road Race, November 2017
- Fairfield Tree Lighting, December 2017
- Numerous Other Smaller Events

## **Traffic Enforcement Unit**

The Traffic Enforcement Unit was created to address the growing citizen concerns about traffic related issues and reckless driving. Officers act on complaints as well as conduct studies of high accident areas where enforcement may reduce the number and severity of motor vehicle

accidents. The goal of this unit is to reduce accidents, increase roadway safety, increase driver compliance with motor vehicle laws and answer citizen complaints. The Traffic Enforcement Unit uses a multitude of techniques to accomplish their goal.

Members of the Traffic Enforcement Unit also work with engineering to explore solutions to traffic issues and evaluate any plans to change traffic patterns within the Town of Fairfield. They also assist with special event planning.



# **Traffic Unit Summary 2017**

Activity	2016	2017	% Change
Traffic Stops	4,860	5,040	3.7%
Infractions	2,798	3,541	26.6%
Misdemeanors	99	133	34.3%
Motor Vehicle Crash Investigations	288	369	28.1%
Child Seat Installations		315	



#### **Marine Unit**

The Marine Unit is responsible for patrolling Long Island Sound and the waters of Fairfield including such hazards as Penfield Reef, Sunken Island and The Cows. To accomplish their assignment, the Marine Unit is seasonally staffed by 3 full time officers. The Marine Unit main office is located at South Benson Marina where the units two boats, a 33' Safeboat Defender Class and a 23' Safeboat are berthed. The Marine Unit is available to respond 24 hours a day.





Marine unit officers respond to numerous types of calls on the water. They handle emergency calls such as boaters in distress, sinking vessels or vessel fires. They routinely search for missing boats or persons around the shoreline. Marine officers also enforce all State and Local boating laws and regulations as well as perform safety inspections of vessels within their area of responsibility.

The Fairfield Police Department Marine Unit works closely with the United States Coast Guard

and other local police marine units. Recently we have been requested to assist the U.S. Coast Guard with homeland security measures



# **Marine Unit Summary 2017**

Activity	2016	2017	% Change
Calls for Service	172	164	-4.7%
Vessels Towed	12	7	-41.7%
Written Warnings	1	0	-100%
Arrests	0	0	0%
Safety Inspections	33	29	-12.1%
Hours Underway	498	700	40.6%
Fatalities	0	2	200%

# **Traffic Crash Investigation Unit**



The Traffic Crash Investigation Unit is part of the Support Services Division and consists of officers who receive extensive training in all aspects of accident investigation and accident reconstruction. Officers from this unit investigate all fatal or potentially fatal accidents within the Town of Fairfield, as well as less serious accidents. Although regular patrol officers also investigate motor vehicle accidents, whenever available accident investigators will be assigned the investigation.

**Traffic Crash Investigation Unit Summary 2017** 

Activity	2016	2017	% Change
Motor Vehicle Accidents Investigated	945	1,105	16.9%
Search Warrants	102	20	-80.4%
Arrest Warrants	42	23	-45.2%
Misdemeanors	33	57	72.7%
Infractions	116	11	-90.5%

#### **Dive Team**

The Fairfield Police Dive Team strives to be prepared for any underwater emergency or investigation in, but not limited to, the waters of Fairfield and Long Island Sound. The Dive Team strives to maintain a training program that targets the interests of public safety, diver safety, and thorough underwater investigation. The Dive Team also works to be an example to the public on issues of drowning prevention.



The Fairfield Police Dive Team is staffed by 1 lieutenant, 1 sergeant and 3 police Officers. The

Dive Team is available 24 hours a day. The divers are trained to various levels of certification. All of the members are trained in Ice Diving, due to the areas cold winter climate. The Dive Team is capable of SCUBA (Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus) or SAS (Surface Air Supply) diving.

The Fairfield Police Dive Team also responds to other jurisdictions when needed to provide mutual aid dive services.

# **Dive Team Summary 2017**

- This year we responded to 3 drownings which resulted in death and assisted Shelton Police Dive Team in 1 drowning that resulted in death.
- Assisted with 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks set-up and barge placement

# **Emergency Services Unit**

The Fairfield Police Department has officers assigned to an Emergency Services Unit. The Emergency Service Unit responds to high-risk, tactical operations involving barricaded suspects, hostage situations, high-risk warrant service and VIP protective operations. These officers receive extensive training in several areas such as:

- Building searches
- Hostage negotiations
- Use of several different types of weapons and tactics
- Other necessary skills

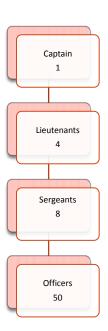


# **Patrol Division**



Captain Joshua Zabin
Patrol Division Commander

The Patrol Division is part of the Field Services Bureau and is the largest division in the Fairfield Police Department. It consists of the uniformed officers assigned to patrol duties. Officers staff this division 24 hours a day / 7 days a week and perform a wide range of patrol duties and community policing programs including:



- Patrol Function: Responding to calls for service: criminal complaints, motor vehicle accidents, recovery of stolen property, public assistance calls, calls for medical assistance and other incidents requiring a police response
- Preventive Patrol: Preventing incidents before they occur.
- ❖ Field Training: The training of new officers after they complete the Connecticut Police Academy and until they have met the standards to be certified as law enforcement officers.
- Prisoner Control: The patrol division is responsible for monitoring all prisoners being held by the department until they are turned over to court.

The patrol division is the largest unit within the Fairfield Police Department. The officers are divided up among three patrol shifts Midnights/ Days /Evenings.

The Division is structured around a Community Policing strategy often termed "Team Policing" or "Squad based policing". The main concept is that every officer in the Division belongs to a squad and each squad is led by a supervisor responsible for various areas of the Town.

Each of three patrol shifts are led by a Lieutenant who has two sergeants and each sergeant leads a squad of officers. Some of the benefits of Team Policing come from the officers truly getting to know their area better and feeling a sense of ownership of that area. They are more aware of "the little things" as well as the bigger problems.

The actions and services performed by the members of the Patrol Division are also the most recognizable, visible and scrutinized within the agency. Patrol officers enforce traffic and other criminal laws while patrolling the town. In addition they are the first responders for various incidents occurring within the town, conduct preliminary investigations and develop positive community relations.



Patrol officers who show an interest and aptitude in specialty areas can apply for reassignment to Specialized Units when positions become available.

In 2017, Uniform Patrol responded to approximately 34,000 calls for service ranging from accidents, minor thefts and medical calls to bank robberies in progress. Officers

also performed 15,162 location checks on schools, businesses and problem areas throughout the town.

During 2017 members of the Patrol division attended training in the following areas:

- ❖ Active Shooter Response
- Crisis Intervention
- High Visibility Traffic enforcement
- DUI Enforcement
- Street Survival

# **Field Training Program**

The departments Field Training Program is comprised of officers who are experienced and are senior members of the organization. These Field Training Officers are responsible for the training and evaluation of junior officers who have graduated the Police Academy but have not yet reached their certification.

#### **Crisis Intervention Team**

The Patrol Division has officers that comprise the Crisis Intervention Team. These specially trained officers are out on routine patrol and can respond to incidents involving mental health crisis. They attempt to resolve the incident peacefully, and further engage with proactive follow up to recommend mental health services.

# **Canine Officers**

The canine unit was formed to assist patrol and other functions.

The role of a K9 Officer is to assist in drug investigations, search for lost or wanted individuals and other specialized functions. Both K9's will be certified in both Narcotics Detection and Patrol Tactics.

The agencies K9 Officers are currently members of the following associations:

- National Police Canine Association
- North American Police Work Dog Association (NAPWDA)
- Connecticut Police Work Dog Association (CPWDA)

# **Canine Unit Summary 2017**

Activity	2016	2017	% Change
Traffic Stops	369	296	-19.8%
Narcotic Searches	107	121	13.1%
Narcotic Searches Resulting in an Arrest	71	87	22.5%
Tracks	65	82	26.2%
Building / Area Searches	24	27	12.5%
Mutual Aid Requests	57	69	21.1%
Demonstrations / Other Miscellaneous Uses	58	71	22.4%







Jagger

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**Officer Wells** 

**Officer Kaesmann** 

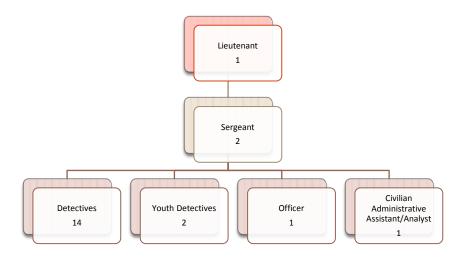
**Sergeant Irizarry** 

DETECTIVE

# **Investigative Division**



Lieutenant Michael Gagner Division Commander



The Fairfield Police Department Investigative Division is responsible for conducting criminal investigations for a wide assortment of offenses, including but not limited to:

- Burglaries
- Larcenies
- Robberies
- Sexual Assaults
- Missing Persons
- Narcotic Violations
- Child Abuse
- Homicides
- Financial and Identity Thefts
- Other in depth or long term investigations

Detectives work with members of the Fairfield Police Department, other municipal and State of Connecticut law enforcement agencies as well as Federal agencies, such as FBI, DEA and Secret Service. Detectives are trained in advanced crime scene processing, interviewing, criminal investigations, etc.

# **Investigation Division Cases 2017**

	2016	2017	% Change
Referred Cases	279	254	-9.0%
Investigative Division Generated Cases	398	282	-29.1%
Total Cases Investigated	677	536	-20.8%

The Fairfield Police Department Investigative Unit has a Youth Bureau that handles crimes against or involving juveniles. Two detectives are assigned to the Youth Bureau on a permanent basis and receive extra training in the areas of youth crime and neglect. The detectives work closely with the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and other local and State agencies. Information concerning juveniles is confidential.

# **Youth Bureau Cases 2017**

	2016	2017	% Change
Referred Cases	31	51	64.5%
Youth Bureau Generated Cases	32	45	40.6%
Total Youth Bureau Cases Investigated	63	96	52.4%

# **Pistol Permit Applications 2017**

	2016	2017	% Change
Received	313	177	-43.5%
Approved	281	160	-43.1%
Denied	2	4	100%
In-Process	30	13	-56.7%
Projected Revenue	\$19,670	\$11,200	-43.1%

# **School Safety Unit**



Lieutenant Edward Weihe Unit Commander





Over the past five years, the Fairfield Public Schools and the Fairfield Police Department have developed a strong partnership aimed at enhancing school safety and security. A dedicated School Safety Division has been created within the Police Department, consisting of officers with special training in interacting with youth and

school communities, as well as special training in school safety and security matters. The officers have integrated within the school community, and the officers have offices on school grounds throughout the public school district.

The School Safety Division has assisted the public school district as well as many private schools in making improvements in several areas that are intended to promote the security and wellbeing of students and staff, including:

- Facilities infrastructure
- Technology
- Building level school safety plans
- Communication systems
- Emergency policies and procedures



The School Safety Division regularly provides training to school staff. The training includes the topics of safety awareness, skills in observing and reporting, and

lockdown procedures. The training focuses on identifying problems before they reach crisis levels, and how to best respond if there is an unavoidable emergency situation. Lockdown drills are performed regularly, and members of the School Safety Division observe and debrief with school staff afterwards.

Aside from being first responders to calls for service at our schools, and providing a physical presence on school grounds, the School Safety Division also teaches a curriculum to our younger students called "SHAPE" (Safety, Health, and Positive Environment). The SHAPE program provides in-classroom instruction to fifth and sixth grade students, and allows for peer group discussions at the seventh and eighth grade levels.

Integration, communication, collaboration, and continued training are the cornerstones of our school safety program, and our everyday efforts to maintain safe and secure environments for students and staff in our schools.

# **School Safety Unit Summary 2017**

School Safety Unit - Activity 2016	2016	2017	% Change
Initial Investigations	244	237	-3%
Follow-Up Investigations	33	28	-15%
Presentations	259	175	-32%
School Site Checks	1,361	2,555	88%
General Assistance Provided	72	204	183%
Community Events	0	63	
Lockdown drills	48	62	29%
General Collaborations/Notifications	114	94	-18%
Security Site Assessments	12	2	-83%
Juvenile Arrests	13	13	0%
Adult Arrests	1	5	400%
Files Being tracked/Info Files	24	49	104%
Research/Projects Toward Safety/Security Advancement	25	22	-12%
Total School Safety Unit Activity	2,225	3,509	58%

# **Professional Standards**



Lieutenant Christopher Tursi Division Commander

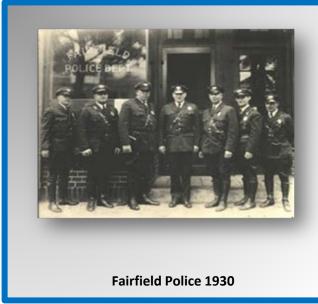
The Professional Standards Division of the Fairfield Police Department is responsible for the following functions:

- Chief's Advisory Council (chair)
- Department Audits
- EAP Liaison
- Fund Raising
- Grants
- Internal Affairs / Incident Reviews
- Internship Program
- Officer Wellness Program
- Personnel Files
- Policies and Procedures

# **Professional Standards Summary 2017**

Grants Obtained	Amount
DUI Grants	\$160,000
Distracted Driving Grant	\$64,400
Seatbelt Grant	\$10,000
Body Armor	\$9,480



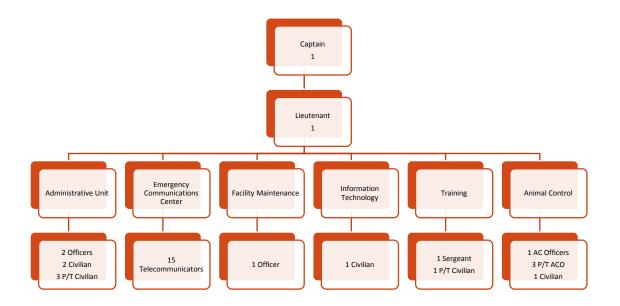




# **Support Services Bureau**



Captain Donald Smith Bureau Commander



# Support Services is responsible for the following functions:

Records
Property and Evidence
Training
Quartermaster
Promotional Testing
Hiring
Time and Attendance
Payroll

Alarm Ordinance
Audits
Awards
Parking Ticket Processing
Equipment
Building Maintenance
Information Technology
Emergency Communications
Animal Control

# **Training**

During 2017 officers of the Fairfield Police Department attended numerous training programs including: Hostage Negotiation, Traffic Crash Investigation, Firearms Instructor, Field Training Officer, Child Abuse Investigations, Critical Incident Management, Active Shooter Response, Marine Law Enforcement, Records Retention and Freedom of Information, Leadership Training, Legal Updates, Employment Law, Trends in College Drinking, High Visibility Traffic Enforcement and other pertinent topics.

All officers are also required to attend recertification training annually. This training covers numerous topics mandated by the Police Officer Standards and Training Council.

In 2017, training continued to focus on increasing officer's proficiency in responding to active assailant incidents. Training programs utilized several different training tools and scenario based training programs to enhance teamwork and tactics.

One of the main complaints the Fairfield Police Department receives from citizens are concerns about unsafe and reckless driving. To further our efforts to increase roadway safety in town, we sent members of our traffic and crash investigation units to advanced training in crash investigation and traffic enforcement.



# **Property and Evidence**

In 2017 approximately 800 pounds of prescription drugs were turned in through our lobby drug drop box and periodic "drug Takeback" days.

#### **Animal Control**

Fairfield Animal Control is a Division of the Fairfield Police Department that enforces all State Laws and Town Ordinance related to animals. It is the responsibility of the Animal Control Division to investigate roaming dogs, animal bites, cruelty to animals, barking nuisance, unreasonable tethering or confining of a dog, town defecation ordinance, leash law, valid rabies vaccination, dog licensure and rabies related wildlife complaints that present an eminent danger to the public.



#### **Animal Control Summary 2017:**

Activity	2016	2017	% Change
Animals Impounded	189	204	7.9%
Dogs/Cat bite investigations	64	56	-12.5%
Dogs/cats sold as pets	36	36	0.0%
Dogs redeemed by owners	140	239	-7.9%
Infractions issued	19	33	73.7%

In addition, several Rabies clinics were conducted and other public education programs were completed.

#### **Volunteer Program**

Animal Control personnel designed and implemented a new volunteer program. The program is designed to enlist the help of community volunteers to walk dogs awaiting adoption in order to increase socialization time and provide positive interactions for the animals. The program is still in its initial stages.

# **Heat Kills Program**

In 2015 the Fairfield Police Department Animal Control Division started a new program with the goal to create a proactive warning system that not only would warn parents and dog owners of the danger of hot vehicles but also to stimulate timely reporting of violations by the public. Heat Kills signs were placed in several locations in Town to remind pet owners not to leave their pets in cars. In 2016 animal control officers continued to expand this program to more businesses in town. There are now 61 signs located in both private and public parking areas throughout town.



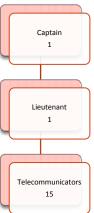
# **Emergency Communications Center**



The Fairfield Emergency Communications Center is responsible for receiving all 911 emergency calls, as well as non-emergency Police and Fire calls. The communications center employs 15 full-time telecommunicators and handles approximately 250,000 phone calls per year. They are trained in emergency police and fire dispatching, emergency medical dispatching and the handling of routine calls for both police and fire departments.

The Emergency Communications Center operates under the supervision of both the Fairfield Police and Fairfield Fire Departments. It is located in the Fairfield Police Department headquarters. Communications are computerized and work off of multiple radio towers.

The Fairfield Police Department has several radio frequencies that can be utilized during both normal and emergency situations. The police vehicles are also equipped with mobile data terminals that allow officers to access law enforcement computer and information networks as well as send confidential information car to car and to other police departments.







# **Explorer Post**



The Explorer program is an official program of the Fairfield Police Department, designed by the Boy Scouts of America to expose young men and women (ages 12-21) to the vast career choices available in Law Enforcement today. Many of our alumni have continued to successfully achieve positions in local law enforcement, state police departments, as well as federal appointments with law enforcement agencies throughout the country. Explorers learn in both the classroom and field environment, including actual "hands-on" field experience. Weekly meeting presentations include training on police duties, forensic science, self-defense, investigation, and even firearms and weaponry. The Police Explorers serve the department and community in a variety of Community Policing Endeavors.

# **Post Advisors**

Deputy Chief Christopher Lyddy

Sergeant Gregory Gunter

Officer Kevin Wells

Detective Belinda Papageorge

Officer Richard Peck





# **Explorer Post Summary 2017**

- Assisted at numerous community events
- Conducted a "Shred day" where residents can bring sensitive documents to be shredded. This helps reduce identity theft.
- Conducted weekly training sessions and meetings.
- Explorers attended the week long cadet police academy conducted at the University of Hartford
- Explorers attended the annual cadet stations day at the Connecticut Police Academy.
- Continued the U-TEXT-UR-NEXT program which is a program to reduce distracted driving

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# **2017 Department Statistics**



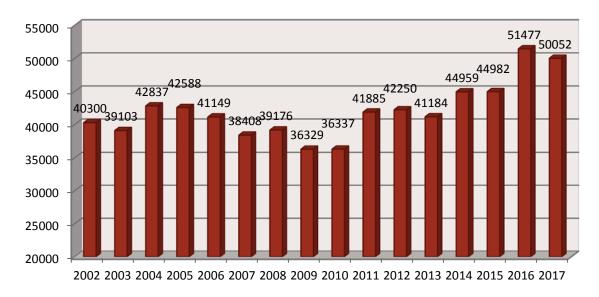
# **Year End Statistics – 2017**

# **Calls for Service**

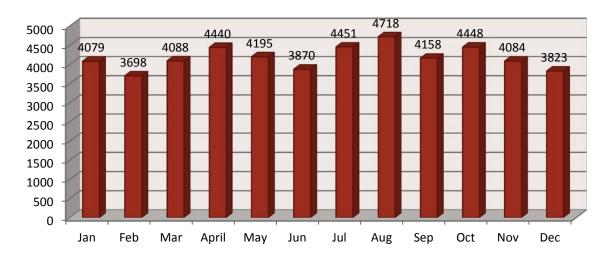
**Total Calls for Service: 50,052** 

(2.8% decrease from 2017)

# **Annual Calls For Service Comparison**



# Calls for Service 2017 - Monthly Comparison



# **General Calls for Service**

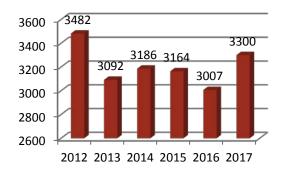
Incident Type	2016	2017	% Change
911 Hang Up	112	89	-21%
Abandoned Vehicles	111	121	9%
Alarms	3,086	3,300	7%
Animal Complaints	1,122	1,206	7%
Assaults	67	40	-40%
Assistance	1,809	2,022	12%
Bank Escorts	249	248	0%
Bomb Threats	1	0	-100%
Breach of Peace	628	667	6%
Burglary	108	81	-25%
<b>Business Checks</b>	15,165	13,542	-11%
Cancelled Alarms	673	641	-5%
Community Events	716	694	-3%
Door Open	65	81	25%
Drowning	0	2	
EMS	4,792	4,476	-7%
Funeral Escorts	186	205	10%
Harassment	241	180	-25%
Intoxicated Subjects	84	73	-13%
Investigations	2,525	2,463	-2%
Larceny	259	329	27%
MVA	2,589	2,594	0%

Incident Type	2016	2017	% Change
Medical Alarms	6	15	150%
Psychiatric calls	56	24	-57%
Missing Persons	51	42	-18%
Narcotic Violations	139	143	3%
Noise Complaints	381	407	7%
Parking Complaints	472	490	4%
Pistol Permit Apps	315	177	-44%
Reckless Driver	353	383	8%
Recovered Property	193	257	33%
Road Hazard	415	465	12%
Robbery	15	9	-40%
Sex Violation	8	11	38%
Shoplifter	209	191	-9%
Stolen Vehicles	48	84	75%
Suicide	7	7	0%
Suicide Attempts/Threats	75	73	-3%
Suspicious Activity	899	940	5%
Theft from MV	342	246	-28%
Traffic Stops	8,550	8,333	-3%
Trespasser	92	108	17%
Vandalism	174	149	-14%

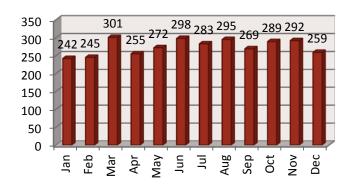
# **Alarm Response Summary**

<b>Total Alarms</b>	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Total Alarms	242	245	301	255	272	298	283	295	269	289	292	259	3,300
False Alarms	221	230	284	240	254	280	268	275	259	271	280	258	3,120

# **Alarms**



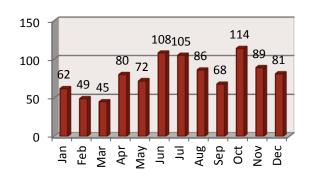
# **Total Alarms - Month**



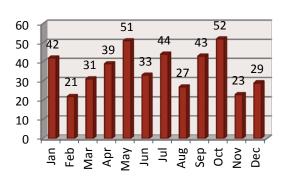
# **Criminal Activity Summary**

Criminal Activity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	% Change
Larceny**	40	30	29	35	43	72	63	55	39	72	48	50	576	-5.1%
Vandalism	8	8	10	19	13	11	15	14	10	16	15	10	149	-12.9%
MV Theft*	4	6	1	9	3	3	14	9	4	18	5	9	85	39.3%
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Burglary*	8	3	2	9	7	18	11	7	8	6	14	7	100	-6.5%
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Assault	1	1	3	7	4	3	2	1	4	2	7	5	40	-32.2%
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Robbery	1	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	9	-52.6%
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Totals - 2017	62	49	45	80	72	108	105	86	68	114	89	81	959	-6.3%

# **Criminal Activity Totals - 2017**



# **Criminal Arrests - 2017**

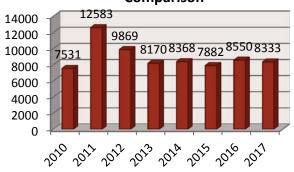


Criminal Arrests	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	% Change
Larceny	30	18	29	25	39	19	35	20	32	33	16	20	316	-5.1%
Vandalism	0	0	0	5	1	0	1	2	5	1	1	1	17	240.0%
MV Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	-50.0%
Burglary	4	1	1	4	1	9	5	3	4	16	1	3	52	8.3%
Assault	2	3	1	5	9	4	3	1	0	2	5	4	39	-22.0%
Robbery	6	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	10	11.1%
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Totals - 2017	42	21	31	39	51	33	44	27	43	52	23	29	435	-2.0%

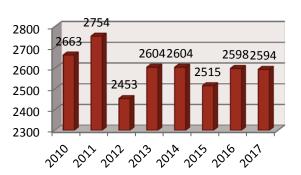
# **Motor Vehicle Activity Summary**

Motor Vehicle	2016	2017	% Change
Enforcement Activity			
No Action	191	179	-6%
Verbal Warnings	4,300	3,465	-19%
Written Warnings	59	27	-54%
Infractions	3,503	4,157	19%
Misdemeanors	431	440	2%
UAR Arrests	66	65	-2%
Total MV Contacts	8,550	8,333	-3%
DUI Arrests	93	84	-10%

# Motor Vehicle Contacts - Annual Comparison



# Motor Vehicle Accidents - Annual Comparison



Motor Vehicle Accidents	2016	2017	% Change
Motor Vehicle Accidents	2,147	2,2	4.6%
Motor Vehicle Accidents with Injuries	451	349	-22.6%
Total	2,598	2,594	02%

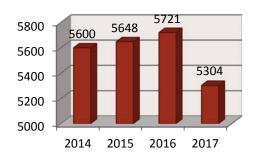
Listed below are some of the more common violations enforced during 2017.

Violation	Amount	Violation	Amount
Speeding	1902	Distracted Driving	975
Seatbelt	679	Suspended License	282
Registration	548	Traffic Light	254
License	301		

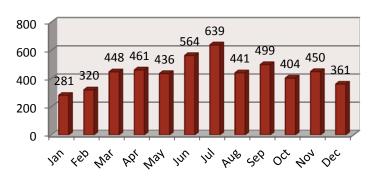
# **Parking Tag Summary 2017**

	2016	2017	% Change
Parking Tags Issued	5,721	5,304	-7.3%
Fees Collected	\$165,964	\$181,005	9.1%

# Parking Tickets Issued Annual Comparison



# **Parking Ticket Issues Monthly Comparison**



# **Fees Collected:**

Туре	Fiscal 2015-2016	Fiscal 2016-2017	% Change
Photostat Fees	\$10,099	9,261	-8%
Received from State for Motor Vehicle Infractions Issued	\$57,930	\$52,001	-10%
State 911 Grant	\$135,220	\$136,313	1%
Police Licenses	\$19,216	\$28,235	47%
Alarm Ordinance	\$19,335	\$17,015	-12%
Other	\$9,601	\$14,192	48%



Fairfield was named one of the safest college towns in America.

# **Conclusion**



The Fairfield Police Department is a service oriented agency that is continuing to research new and more efficient ways to provide police services to the Town of Fairfield. Its officers and staff are dedicated to the following core values:

# PROFESSIONALISM HONOR EXCELLENCE

As we move into 2018 we will continue to work toward our mission of:

# **MAKING FAIRFIELD SAFER!**

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