# FAIRFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Monthly Report – January 2016



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#### **Section 1: Noteworthy Incidents**

## 16-975 / Reckless Driver / 2219 hrs. / Interstate 95 Officers Kalson/ Wells/ Curran/ and assisting officers

CSP Troop G reported a wrong way driver northbound in the southbound lanes of I-95. Officer Kevin Wells broadcast that the driver was reported to be in the vicinity of exit 23.

Officer Kalson entered I-95 North in Southport and was able to catch up to the vehicle. Officer Kalson drove parallel with the vehicle while in the northbound left lane with his lights and sirens activated and spot light on him, at the same time the subject drove northbound in the left shoulder of the southbound lanes. At approximately exits 24 & 25 the subject sideswiped Officer Wells southbound patrol vehicle, and continued northbound in the left shoulder of the southbound lanes. Officer Kalson continued to parallel the vehicle up to exit 30 northbound in Stratford, where he struck three southbound vehicles. Officer Kalson parked his patrol vehicle safely in the left shoulder of I-95 and hopped over the center median and conducted a felony stop on the crashed vehicle and took the subject into custody with the assistance of Officer Kristen Curran. Several patrol cars arrived on scene including those from State, Bridgeport, Metro North, and that of Fairfield Sgt. Felix Esposito. The incident was then turned over to the State Police.

## 16-2019 | 5:58 PM | Traffic Stop | Geduldig/Crestview Officer Stahl

Officer Stahl was conducting selective enforcement on Park Ave. Upon stopping a vehicle for traveling fast the passenger was found to in Violation of a Protective Order after she was found to be in the presence of operator who is a protected party. The operator was released on scene with a summons for M/V charges. The passenger was taken into custody, processed, and released on a PTA.

## 16-2133 | 12:21 AM | Armed Robbery | Cumberland Farms 975 E Kings Hwy Officer DiMarco and assisting officers

A 911 call was received from Cumberland Farms, 975 Kings Hwy East, reporting two black males one tall at around six feet, dressed all in black with a ski mask, with a black pistol, the other shorter with black pants, a gray sweatshirt also armed with a handgun. Both suspect displayed their handguns and left on foot eastbound on Kings Hwy. An I-phone taken during the robbery was traced to an address in Bridgeport, with the assistance of Bridgeport PD, Patrols responded to two addresses in Bridgeport where the phone was pinging, but were unable to locate any persons or vehicles linking back to the robbery. The phone was turned off a short time later which lost the signal. Investigation turned over to the Detective Bureau.

## 16-2355 | 6:23 PM | Emergency Medical Call –CPR | Ruane St Officer Beattie

Officer Beattie responded to a medical call on Ruane Street for an elderly male not breathing.

Beattie located the victim in the bathroom unresponsive. Beattie moved him to the floor to evaluate him after no pulse could be detected, Beattie began CPR. Fairfield Fire and EMS personnel arrived a short time later and began assisting in life saving measures. The victim was then taken to St. Vincent's Hospital for further treatment. Officer Beattie later followed up

With the Hospital and found the victim was and in stable condition at the hospital as a result of his actions.

## 16-2579 | 4:08 PM | Investigation | Post Rd/Grasmere Av Officers Beattie / Wells / Assisting officers

Off-Duty Fairfield Police Officer Beattie called the 911 center reporting that he was behind a vehicle that had been reported stolen on 01-12-2016. Officer Wells responded to the area and observed the vehicle make a left turn onto Post Road and travel into Bridgeport on Fairfield Ave. Dispatch confirmed the vehicle was in NCIC as a File 01 (Stolen Vehicle), the vehicle continued east on Fairfield Ave and eventually made a left turn Waldorf Ave when Officers Letsch and Fracassini arrived to assist. Wells initiated a felony stop and found a total of four occupants in the vehicle. A search of the operator's purse revealed her wallet, which contained a folded up white piece of paper. The folded up white piece of paper contained a white rock like substance (Item # 1). The substance was tested using 904 Reagent test kit and revealed a positive indication for cocaine. The operator was placed under arrest and transported to headquarters by Officer Curran, where she was processed for M/V and Cocaine charges and released on bond. The passengers were all released from the scene without being charged.

### 16-3471 | 11:21 PM | Traffic Stop / Black Rock Tnpk/Candlewood Rd Officer Nadeau

Officer Nadeau observed a GMC Pickup truck pulling out of the Board of Education Building on Kings Hwy East in Fairfield. The time was approximately 2320 hours and found this suspicious, as the building had obviously been closed for hours. He conducted a traffic stop at Black Rock Tpk and Candlewood Rd. Upon stop, the operator stated he only had an International Driver's License, and said he didn't have that license with him. An NCIC/PRAWN check of the name given revealed an active warrant out of Fairfield, for FTA on motor vehicle charges and further found to be a Fugitive from a Foreign Country, (Romania). The accused was ordered out the vehicle and placed into custody. Further investigation revealed numerous suspicious checks and fraudulent

identification cards. Immigration and Interpol were notified, they requested he not be detained at this time. He was released on the Fairfield Charges after posting an \$11,000.00 bond.

#### 01/12/2016 16-1362

#### **Officer Curran**

Off. Curran responded to a theft from a vehicle on Kenwood Av. that resulted in a \$4000.00 loss and a business owner out of work for lack of equipment. During the course of the investigation Off. Curran reviewed surveillance footage and developed a suspect. She followed up with old addresses and received updated addresses. At the new location, she located a vehicle in the parking lot that belonged to the suspect's girlfriend and fit the description of the vehicle on the surveillance footage. In plain view in the vehicle were several chainsaws. The suspect was located and denied the burglary, but did admit to receiving the property from a "friend."

He consented to a search of the vehicle and all of the items reported stolen were identified and recovered with the exception of one chainsaw.

The suspect was arrested and subsequently interviewed at HQ by the DB and revealed that he had pawned the sixth chainsaw which was also recovered.

Off. Curran's investigation and follow up resulted in a good felony arrest and a local business owner getting his property back so he could continue to work.

#### **Letter of Appreciation**

#### Hi Gary:

I just wanted to let you know that my 17 year old son, Michael, was pulled over by Officer Stahl last night in front of a pizza place. I was called to pick up my son because the car was unregistered and needed to be towed. Upon arriving, I was impressed with the way Officer Stahl individualized the treatment of the situation – he was positive yet firm and treated my son with compassion.

During our conversation of paying for tow trucks, reclaiming license plates, and re-registering his vehicle, I asked the officer how Michael behaved. (Michael was in elementary school when you were in attendance at the First Responders conference Dennis Debbaudt in Trumbull... but you remember the horror stories!) It turns out Michael called his father and did try to get out of the car to give Officer Stahl the phone. He calmly told Michael to stay in the car and shut the door. If Michael had been upset – he could have cried, possibly yelled, maybe even run – but I don't think he would. Yet we have rehearsed this 1,000 times – never open the door, listen to the officer, be polite, stay calm. He has taken 2 years- worth of driving classes. But in the moment – kids with Asperger's can panic. In this climate of teenage shooters, distrust of officers, and extra vigilance by officers, this could have been a disaster!

I don't think Officer Stahl knew Michael had autism. So when I explained that the reason I was asking was so that we could debrief at home, he asked me to wait one minute. When he returned to us, he informed us that he had called his supervisor (who I am sure did not want to be bothered!) and decided not to give us the ticket! He told Michael to follow me directly home and to get everything fixed today.

I am incredibly grateful and appreciative for Officer's Stahl's gift of kindness. I am lucky to live in such a safe community that is protected by such professional, honorable men and women of excellence. I plan on sharing my story far and wide. Michael, on the other hand, asked "Does this mean no meatball grinder?"

#### **Letter of Appreciation**

The following letter of appreciation was received from Person to Person

January 14,2016

Mr. Gary MacNamara Chief of Police Town of Fairfield 100 Reef Road Fairfield, CT 06824

Dear Chief MacNamara:

I am writing to express Person-to-Person's appreciation for the efforts of Officer Stephen Rilling on behalf of low-income children in our communities. During the month of December, Officer Rilling devoted more than 100 hours of his personal time in soliciting, collecting and delivering new toys for the children of families in need. With the help of Officer Rilling, our agency was able to provide children with a joyous holiday season.

Serving low-income families and individuals for close to five decades, person-to-person provides emergency assistance for basic needs to support individuals and families as they move towards greater stability. Over the years, services have been refined to advance the agency's vision of communities of financially-stable, hunger-free homes, with educational opportunities for all. This year alone, P2P's work will touch the lives of nearly 25,000 individuals'- including 10,000 children - in Stamford, Norwalk, Darien, New Canaan, Westport, Wilton, and Weston

Person-to-Person's work is jimply not possible without the support of many caring and kindhearted individuals such as Officer Rilling. If you would like to know more about our services' or are interested in visiting to meet firsthand some of the children who benefitted from officer Rilling's efforts, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

Ceci Maher Executive Director

#### **Section 2: Bureau / Division Reports**

#### **Patrol Division**

#### Patrol Division Training:

- Officer Wells and Officer Kaesmann continued their training at the K9 Academy with their new Partners Jagger and Maverick.
- Lieutenant Kalamaras attended 5 Day Command Management Class
- Patrol Offices attended Active Shooter training in dynamic entries.
- ESU Team members attended Tactical Emergency Care Class

#### **Support Services**

- Coordinated promotional ceremony
- Continued coordination of hiring new officers
- Conducted training in response to active assailant calls

#### **Traffic Safety Unit**

- Traffic Stops: 452Infractions: 215
- Misdemeanor Summonses: 13Accidents Investigated: 20
- Other Activities:
  - o Laser mapping of crash on Tunxis Hill Rd 16-33
  - o Assist crash investigation with hospital follow-up video 16-33
  - o Pickwick St DPW Signs, Flyers, Wanco Signs
  - Vehicle inspection assist / CDR data download from vehicle 16-33
  - o Funeral Escort Prep Student
  - o Child Seat Installation announcement made
  - o New patrol vehicle pickups made
  - Cleaning of Ambulance Garage / Sally Port and removal of bicycles and arrangements made in trailer at ACO
  - o Officer Sudora/ Officer Medvegy to CSP HQ to arrange bike rodeo equipment
  - o Laser mapping of crash on Kings Hwy East 16-1276
  - o Patrol vehicle given to FH-1
  - o New patrol vehicle outfitted and assigned to Red 2 patrol
  - o ASAP program reinstated and data entered for tracking of traffic officers ASAP's
  - Child Safety Seat Clinic conducted on 01/30/2016 24 child seats installed with great feedback from the community

#### **Animal Control**

• Complaints: 57

• Wildlife related complaints: 20

• Wildlife tested for rabies: 0

• Wildlife testing positive for rabies: 0

• Animals impounded: **7** 

• Dog bites: 1

Enforcement: written warnings: 8, Infractions: 0

Sold as pet: dogs: 2, Cats: 0

#### **Traffic Crash Investigations**

• Total Accidents Investigated: 68

Search Warrants: 3Arrest Warrants: 3

• Misdemeanor Summons Issued: 1

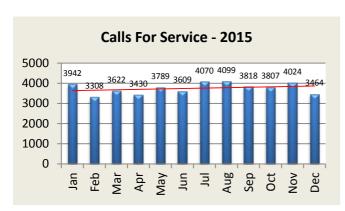
• Infractions Issued: 9

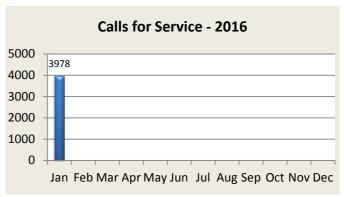
#### **Section 3: Statistical Activity Summary**

#### **TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE**

Calls for Service	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2015	3942	3308	3622	3430	3789	3609	4070	4099	3818	3807	4024	3464	44,982
2016	3978												3,978

Note: Includes miscellaneous calls that may not be listed under the call analysis section

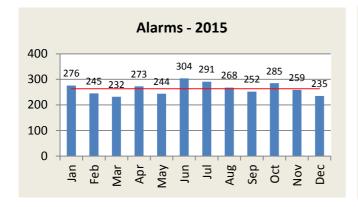


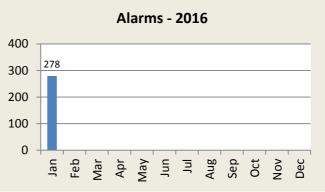


#### **ALARM RESPONSE SUMMARY**

Total Alarms	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2015	276	245	232	273	244	304	291	268	252	285	259	235	3,164
2016	278												278

False Alarms	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2015	276	245	232	273	244	304	287	256	227	266	258	235	3,103
2016	273												273



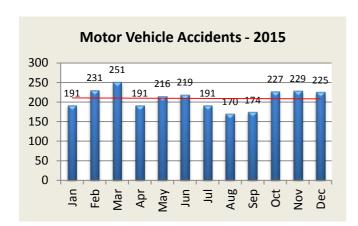


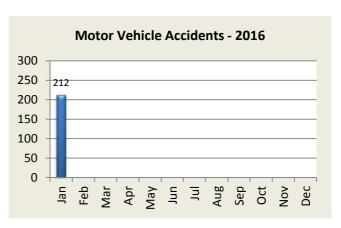
#### Calls For Service - Detailed Summary

Calls for Service - Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
911 Hang Up	7			7 101		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•	7 10.8	000		1101	200	7
Abandoned Vehicles	14												14
Alarms	278												278
Animal Complaints	66												66
Assaults	9												9
Assistance	146												146
Bank Escorts	19												19
Bomb Threats	0												0
Breach of Peace	39												39
Burglary	4												4
BusinessChecks	1042												1042
Cancelled Alarms	48												48
Community Events	43												43
Door Open	8												8
Drowning	0												0
EMS	406												406
Funeral Escorts	20												20
Harassment	15												15
Intoxicated Subjects	5												5
Investigations	171												171
Larceny	20												20
MVA	212												212
Medical Alarms	1												1
Psychiatric calls	4												4
Missing Persons	5												5
Narcotic Violations	11												11
Noise Complaints	13												13
Parking Complaints	30												30
Pistol Permit Apps	47												47
Reckless Driver	22												22
Recovered Property	9												9
Road Hazard	36												36
Robbery	2												2
Sex Violation	0												0
Shoplifter	15												15
Stolen Vehicles	5												5
Suicide	1												1
Suicide Attempts/Threats	1												1
SuspiciousActivity	58												58
Theft from MV	26												26
Trespasser	2												2
Vandalism	14												14

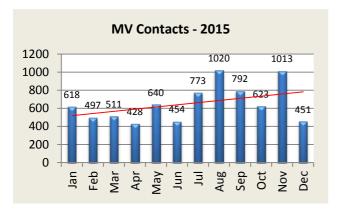
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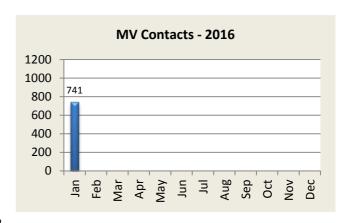
<b>MV Accidents</b>	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2015	191	231	251	191	216	219	191	170	174	227	229	225	2,515
2016	212												212





MV Enforcement	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Warnings - 2015	322	268	299	258	317	268	432	616	528	408	442	299	4,457
2016	426												426
Infractions - 2015	231	165	142	108	256	132	268	330	196	160	510	123	2,621
2016	249												249
Misdemeanor - 2015	48	42	46	37	44	30	50	64	46	37	53	20	517
2016	43												43
Custodial - 2015	6	4	5	4	8	4	10	2	1	6	1	1	52
2016	6												6
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DUI Arrests - 2015	11	17	7	6	15	9	13	8	9	7	7	8	117
2016	9												9
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MV Contacts - 2015	618	497	511	428	640	454	773	1020	792	623	1013	451	7,820
2016	741												741





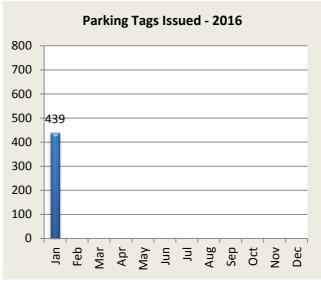
MV Enforcement: Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Speeding Violations	158												158
Seatbelt Violations	41												41
Registration Violations	43												43
License Violations	27												27
Distracted Driving	21												21
Suspended Licence	40												40
Traffic Light Violation	26												26

The above incidents are a overview of common violations. These statistics are not the only motor vehicle enforcement actions taken..

#### **PARKING TICKET SUMMARY**

Total Issued	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2015	289	291	465	432	385	480	752	650	448	473	471	512	5648
2016	439												439

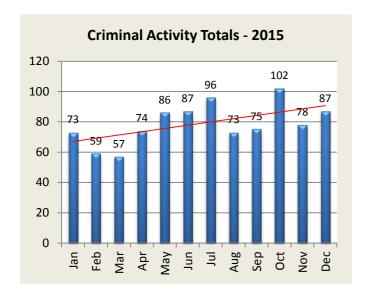


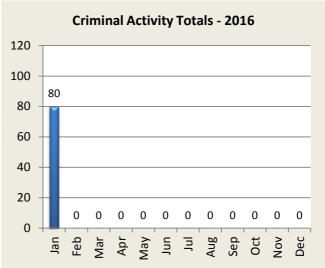


#### **CRIMINAL INCIDENTS**

<b>Criminal Incidents: Patrol</b>	R2	R3	R4	R5	B2	В3	B4	B5
Larceny	4	0	6	2	9	1	10	9
Vandalism	3	2	2	1	3	1	2	0
MV Theft / Attempt	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	1
Burglary / Attempt	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
Assault	0	1	1	0	3	0	2	1
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

Criminal Activity: Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
<b>Larceny</b> - 2015	36	32	25	40	58	54	55	46	41	47	23	49	506
2016	46												46
Vandalism - 2015	13	6	14	15	14	19	12	17	20	37	30	25	222
2016	14												14
MV Theft / Attempt - 2015	4	3	1	0	1	1	9	0	4	2	3	4	32
2016	5												5
<b>Burglary / Attempt</b> - 2015	13	13	9	11	10	6	17	5	7	12	20	5	128
2016	4												4
<b>Assault</b> - 2015	6	4	7	5	3	6	3	5	3	4	1	4	51
2016	9												9
<b>Robbery</b> - 2015	1	1	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	8
2016	2												2
<b>Totals</b> - 2015	73	59	57	74	86	87	96	73	75	102	78	87	947
2016	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80





<b>Criminal Arrests by Month</b>	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
<b>Larceny</b> - 2015	19	12	16	25	17	21	35	30	22	30	30	37	294
2016	23												23
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Vandalism - 2015	1	1	1	1	4	1	2	4	3	5	1	2	26
2016	0												-
MV Theft / Attempt - 2015	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	4
2016	1												1
<b>Burglary / Attempt</b> - 2015	13	4	3	8	0	4	1	2	5	11	0	2	53
2016	2												2
<b>Assault</b> - 2015	9	5	7	4	4	3	3	5	4	6	2	5	57
2016	9												9
<b>Robbery</b> - 2015	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
2016	0												-
Total - 2015	45	23	29	38	25	29	42	41	35	52	33	46	438
2016	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35

