

SPD Newsletter



October 2021

Welcome to the SPD Newsletter

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Fall is officially upon us, are you prepared with your pumpkin spice everything? Hopefully everyone is adjusting to being back to school and the fall weather.

October is domestic violence awareness month, a time to educate ourselves on this type of violence and enhance promotion of services for these victims. Check out page 8 for more details.

We are hosting another Front Porch Roll Call on October 12th, this will be an indoor event. We would love it if you joined us.

The Michigan State v. Michigan football game is at the end of month, which team are you cheering for?

Trick-or-treaters will be out and about on Halloween, so please be cautious while driving through neighborhoods. Lets make this a fun, spooky and safe event for everyone.



Best Wishes,
Chief Robert Ruth



SPD by the Numbers

SPD Investigations Division

Det./Sgt. Oscar Lopez and Det./Sgt. Matt Gerow

The Investigation Division ensures swift follow-up on criminal complaints involving both adult and juvenile offenders.

The Division currently consists of **7 full-time Detectives** and **2 full-time Detective/Sergeants**.

Detectives are assigned cases each day.



245 cases were assigned in the month of September

This number includes **1 homicide** and **8 non-fatal** shootings.

SPD Road Patrol



In September, SPD officers responded to **3,863** calls for service.

SPD currently has **28 patrol officers**, and **8 patrol sergeants**.

Victim Services Unit

In September the VSU worked with **198 victims**.

Majority of the victims assisted were **female (123)** **ages 25-59 (131)** and victims of **domestic violence (123)**.

The VSU is staffed with a Victim Services Unit Coordinator, a full-time and part-time victim advocate.



Recognizing Years of Service with the Saginaw Police Department

The department is full of hard-working, and dedicated staff that put the community's needs before their own.

It is an honor to employ these brave individuals.

We are grateful for their continued service!

- Professional Staff– Brian Rowell - 9 years of service



*thank you
for your service!*

Officer Acknowledgment

The Saginaw Police Department Mission, Vision and Values Statement places an emphasis on creating meaningful relationships with community members that sustain a safe environment for all. The SPD acknowledges officers and staff that place extra emphasis on victim services and support in order to enhance community relations and programming.

The SPD would like to acknowledge the following staff. We thank you for continuing to exhibit such exceptional work!

Ofc. J. Bady

Ofc. R. Bady

Ofc. E. Ward

R. Coleman- Support Staff

Ofc. A. Avery

Ofc. J. Engelhart

Ofc. J. Beyerlein

Ofc. C. Stadler

Ofc. K. Finnerty

Ofc. R. Adams

B. Bedore- Support Staff

Ofc. D. Ziegelmann

Ofc. J. McGregor

Ofc. C. Wortman

Ofc. R. Dorion

Ofc. S. Lautner

Ofc. B. Holp

Ofc. R. Jerewski



October Officer of the Month



SPD is happy to announce **Detective Philip Graves** as the October Officer of the Month!

Beyond his duties and responsibilities as a detective, he divides his time between acting as the patrol union president, an emergency services team member, a member of the IMPACT committee, and picking up patrol overtime when able.

Phil recently found himself dedicating his time and energy to a homicide investigation he had been assigned. He was persistent in following up on tips, conducted surveillance before and after his shift, obtained several search warrants for records and houses, and was adamant in tracking down persons of interest. His diligence and resourcefulness lead to the location and apprehension of the suspects, and ultimately, a confession.

Congratulations Detective Graves, and thank you for your hard work and dedication to both the department and the citizens of our community!

A Newsworthy Moment

In April 2021, SPD was selected to participate in a case study process for Documenting and Advancing Promising Practices in Law Enforcement Victim Support. This case study is funded by the U.S. Department of Justice, and Office of Community Orientated Policing Services. The initiative will provide valuable insight and resources to the field of policing and victim support.

15 law enforcement agencies from across the country were selected to participate. The case studies will address how victim-centered, trauma-informed practices are implemented and sustained as part of the overall operating philosophy and culture.

In September, the International Association of Chiefs of Police and RTI jointly conducted the comprehensive case study of SPD through virtual interviews of 13 SPD personnel, sworn and professional, and by review of supporting material for agency practices.

By participating in this project, the SPD will now receive site-specific recommendations developed by subject matter experts aimed at enhancing and sustaining victim-centered, trauma-informed approaches.



Way to Go Deebo!



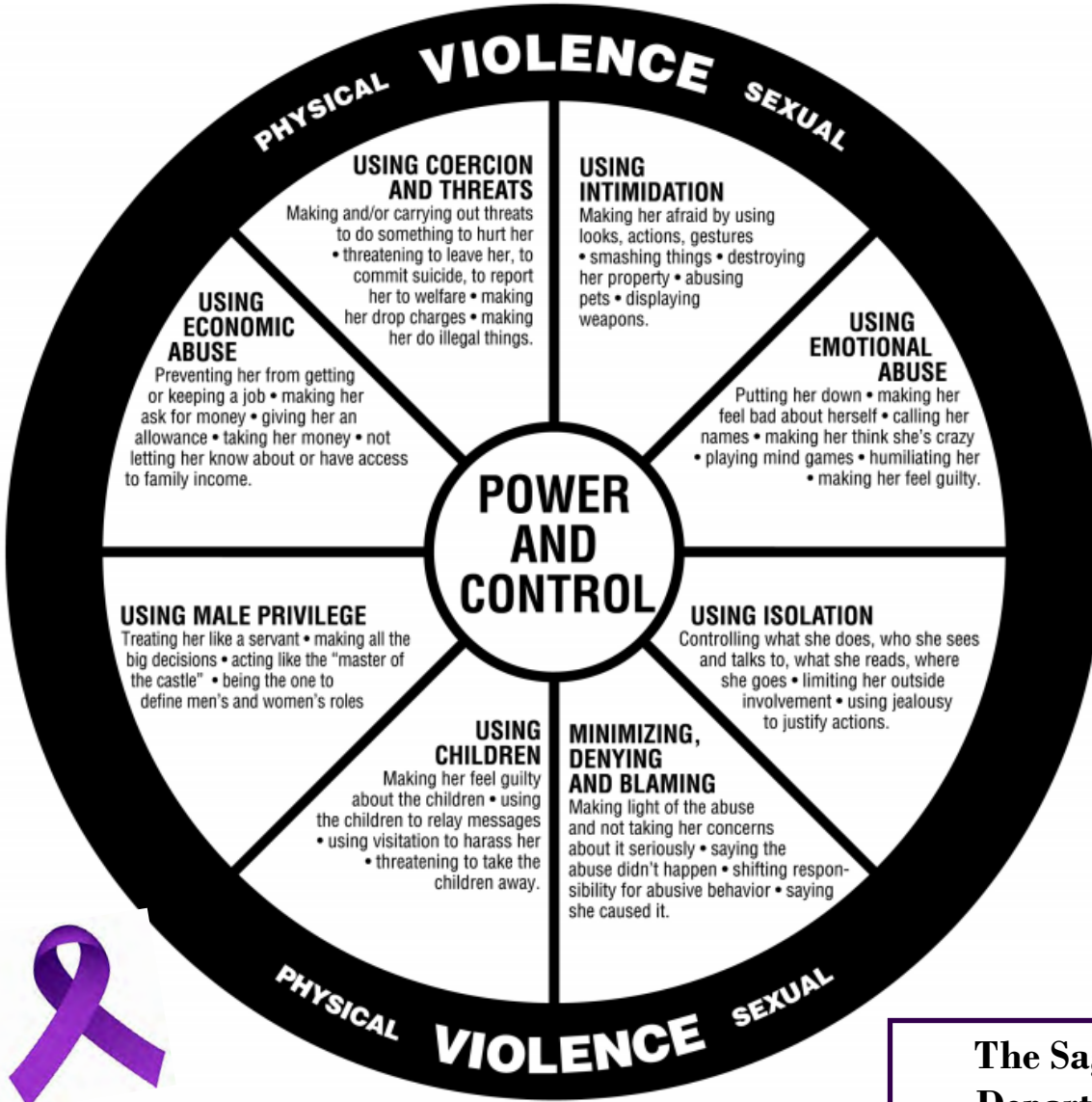
Congratulations to K9 Officer Deebo for winning the 2021 K9 Officer of the Year award at the Police Officers Association of Michigan banquet.



What you need to know about domestic violence.

The Saginaw Police Department has responded to over **417** domestic violence calls in September.

The Victim Services unit has worked with **639** DV victims so far this year.



20 people per minute are physically abused by an intimate partner in the US.

Local domestic violence assistance:

The Underground Railroad (available 24/7)

989-755-0411 (local)

1-888-399-8385 (toll free)

989-770-8892 (text phone)

Do you know what domestic violence looks like?

It can look like anything inside this wheel and can happen to anyone.

You are not alone.

Contact either of the resources below if you believe you or a loved one are a victim of DV.

The Saginaw Police Department Victim Services Unit has a full-time victim advocate dedicated to assisting victims of domestic violence through the criminal and legal process.

(office) 989-759-1438

SAGINAW POLICE FRONT PORCH ROLL CALL

WHEN

**October 12, 2021
6:00pm**

WHERE

**Fairground Association
UAW 699 Union Hall
1911 Bagley St.
Saginaw, MI 48601**



**MEET.
LEARN.
INTERACT.**

**With the officers
who patrol your
neighborhood**

**OFFICERS & CITIZENS
WORKING TOGETHER**

**Sharing Details of
Crime Trends Builds a
Team Approach**

**Citizens See the
Challenges Police
Face During a Roll Call**

**Citizens Get a Chance
to Voice Their
Concerns & Ask
Questions**

**PLEASE ATTEND IF
YOU LIVE IN THIS
AREA.**

**MORE ROLL CALLS
TO COME IN OTHER
AREAS OF THE CITY**

This will be an indoor event.

**Check the SPD Facebook page
for updates.**



1-800-422-JAIL (5245)

***Totally Anonymous Calls
Cash reward up to \$2,000***

To submit an anonymous tip call: 1-800-422-5245

**“If you see or know something – Report IT”
Help make our community safe!!**

WHAT IS CRIME STOPPERS?

We are a community based program which encourages public participation through anonymity; and which effectively combines the efforts public, media, and law enforcement to solve crime and make our communities crime free environments.

Crime Stoppers offers anonymity and cash rewards to people who furnish information leading to a felony arrest, or the capture of a person with felony warrants.

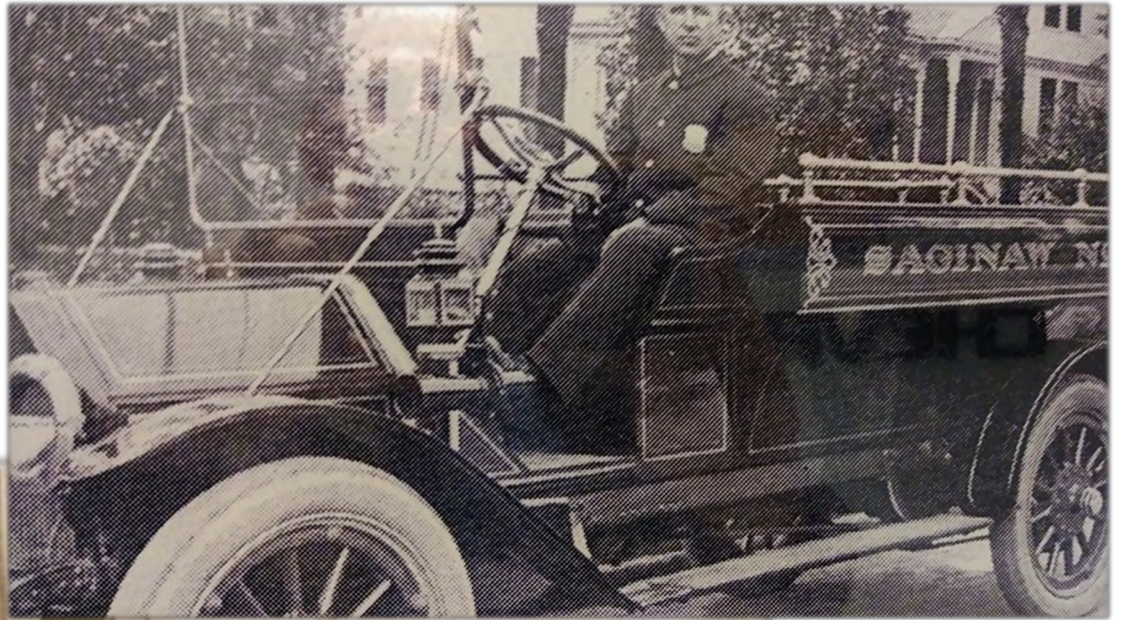
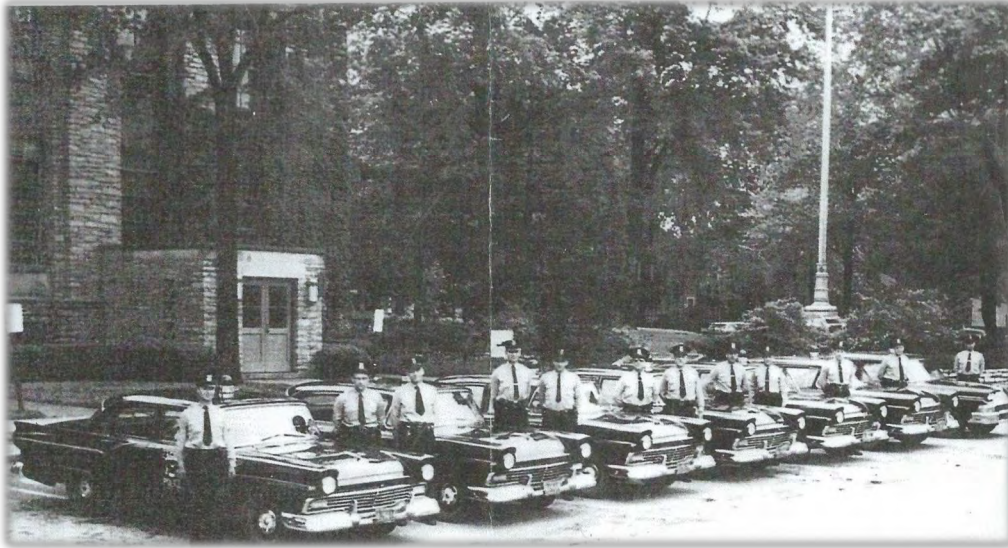
HOW DOES IT WORK?

When a call is received by the Crime Stoppers tip line 1-800-422 JAIL (5245), the information is logged on a non recorded line. Crime Stoppers does not use caller I.D. Crime Stoppers does not want to know who you are. We just want your information!! Callers give the operators their information and the caller is given a secret code number. Callers are then given the coordinators telephone number and instructed to call the coordinator three to five days after reporting the crime. This time period allows the coordinator to give the information to the proper law enforcement agency and for them to investigate the alleged crime or located the felon fugitive.

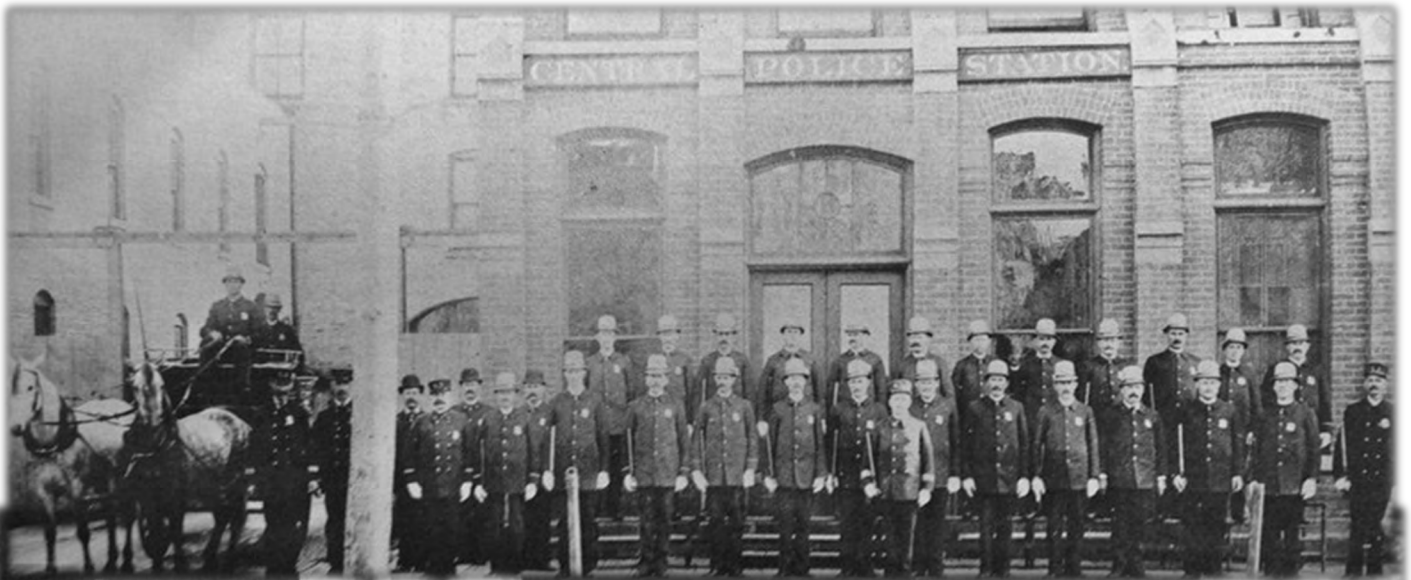
If the information the tipster supplies results in an arrest, or the apprehension of a person with a felony warrants; the tipster is then eligible for a cash reward. The tipster only needs to give the secret number to the bank or credit union the coordinator selects. Most of the time the transaction is done at a drive up window. The tipster will be given an envelope with cash. The tipster WILL NOT be asked to sign anything. No names, no addresses, just take the cash and leave.

A Step Back in Time.

Miscellaneous Years



A Step Back in Time.



Officers in the Community

Mexican American Council partnered with SPD and MSP to teach children how to fish.



Officers in the Community

Attending the 17th Annual Cesar Chavez Scholarship Luncheon



Front Porch Roll Call event at The Mackinaw Place



Officers in the Community



**Front Porch Roll Call
events-hosted by
LeBoeuf's Lounge
and the Christina
Jones Resource
Center**



A thoughtful gift from the community



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Mission. Vision. Values.



Mission: To build relationships within our diverse and vibrant community to meet the challenges of reducing crime; to help our citizens feel safe; and to render the highest ethical standards demanded of professional law enforcement.

Vision: We recognize our responsibility to better the lives of those in our community and will provide quality support and resources to all persons in need. Our collaboration with citizens and community partners creates meaningful relationships that sustain a safe environment for all.

Values: As a professional organization, we believe in the dignity of all people and respect individual and constitutional rights. We are dedicated to upholding the public trust, by serving our community with integrity, professionalism, and individual leadership that embraces diversity and open communication, in the pursuit of excellence.

To accomplish our Mission and Vision, we, the Saginaw Police Department value:

Integrity: We will treat all citizens with respect and professionalism. We take pride in our work and in our dedication to public service. We believe that all citizens are equal. We shall do what is right, not because of recognition, but because it is the right thing to do.

Communication: It is important for all citizens to have access to the Saginaw Police Department. We seek continual input from our citizens to ensure the quality of life within the community is at the highest of standards. We will seek input from our employees to render efficient service and improve satisfaction.

Professionalism: We will conduct ourselves in a manner that is consistent with the standards of our Mission, Vision, and Value Statement. We will hold each other accountable to our actions and continue to provide quality services to our community. We shall maintain the trust and respect of those whom we serve.

Diversity: We will engage in continuous education about different cultures and people within our community. We will engage our community partners to participate in the education of our officers, to provide resources and services essential for the safety and healing of victims.

Leadership: We will utilize innovative trainings and consistent collaboration with our community partners, to provide our team with the best education and resources available. We will engage in strategic planning and implementation of innovative law enforcement technologies. We will encourage and support others in leadership roles within our community. We will strive to resolve conflicts and embrace challenges.

Excellence: We will strive for personal and professional excellence. We will continually develop and embrace relationships with our citizens, community leaders and community partners, to keep our community safe. We will find innovative ways to enhance our service to the community.

To Be Sure of Excellence