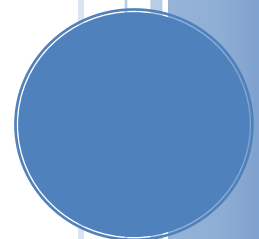


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February 13, 2023

Mrs. Rajala Gutzki, Village Council Members and Members of the Community,

I am proud and honored to present the Fowlerville Police Department's Annual Report for 2022. The annual report is created to provide information and insight regarding the outstanding work performed by the employees of the Fowlerville Police Department. This report demonstrates the hard work, outstanding performance, integrity and compassion that each of the officers exemplify at the Fowlerville Police Department.

The Fowlerville Police Department will continue to work collaboratively with our law enforcement partners in Livingston County. The many law enforcement agencies work well together and are great assets when we reach out. As the Village grows in population we will continue to focus our attention on community policing and working with other community stakeholders such as our schools, service and faith-based organizations, businesses and our residents to ensure we all do our part to preserve a safe, robust and thriving community. We will continue to provide the high level of community policing this community has come to expect and deserves as in years past.

As the community continues to grow we look forward to solving the challenges increased population and service requirements pose. This coming year I will be focusing more on how to deal with the rising drug addiction that is plaguing communities across the nation. I am reaching out to other agencies to see what types of programs or resources they are using to combat this epidemic. Our goal is to focus on training the department when dealing with mental health and best practices to handle these incidents with the community suffering from mental illnesses. Again, I would like to thank you for your support, faith and opportunity that you have given me and the members of the Fowlerville Police Department.

Respectfully,

John J. Tyler
Chief of Police

Village of Fowlerville Police Department's Mission Statement

Our mission is to preserve, defend and uphold the constitution of the United States and the State of Michigan and to provide the highest level of Public Safety service to our community through an effective community policing philosophy. To this end, we are committed to the equal protection of the law while preserving the rights and dignity of the individual. In this endeavor, we will be responsive, ethical and will respect each other while enforcing the laws of the State and ordinances of the Village and in the prevention and investigation of crime.

Village of Fowlerville Police Department's Vision Statement

To be an agency that leads rather than follows. To be recognized as the example by which others are measured. To provide a level of community policing that is unmatched and are at one with the community we serve.

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Fowlerville Police Department Roster 2022

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Hire Date</u>	<u>Separation Date</u>
Chief John Tyler	03/11/2008	
Sgt. Jeffrey Soli-Retired	07/18/1996	10/01/2022
Canine Hank - Retired	08/2018	10/01/2022
Officer Rebecca Kuzdek	01/12/2012	
Sergeant Brad Feister	10/15/2013	
Officer Ryan Edmonds	08/17/2015	
Officer James McMahon	08/29/2016	
Officer Anthony Coln	04/24/2019	
Officer Noah Spencer	04/29/2019	
Officer David Richmond	12/09/2019	10/03/2022
Officer Donald Bishop	01/19/2021	
Officer Brandon Duong	04/20/2021	
Officer James McMahon IV	09/12/2022	
Officer Brett Austin	09/19/2022	
<u>Administrative Assistant</u>		
Lorraine Ritchie-Resigned	07/16/2007	11/04/2022
Brianne Ebert	10/24/2022	

Administration

The Village of Fowlerville Police Department administration is directed by the Chief of Police. The Chief of Police is assisted by the Sergeant and the Administrative Assistant.

The Chief of Police is responsible for the following duties; budget management, bi-weekly reports to Council, personnel administration, policies and procedures, payroll, special events, purchasing, oversight of law enforcement distribution (302) funds, training, discipline, press releases, and supervision of personnel.

The Chief is also a member of the Mid-Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police (MMACP), the Fowlerville Rotary, a CARE Project/Round Table member, on the Livingston County's Major Crime Task Force, sits on MSU police staff command of panel of administrators.

The Administrative Assistant is responsible for the following duties: police records management and retention, personnel records, training records, provides copies of police reports to citizens, insurance companies, and attorneys, LEIN work for officers, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, portable breath tests (PBT's), accounting for Public Act 302 funds to the State of Michigan, Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) administrator, Terminal Agency Coordinator (T.A.C.), mobile computer terminal administrator, name merging coordinator, submitting state data electronically, property intake and property room evidence tech, registration of sex offenders, issuing License to Purchase for hand guns, personnel scheduling, and submitting warrant requests electronically to the Prosecutors office. This list is in no way all inclusive.

Patrol Division

The Village of Fowlerville Police Department is a full service department. The patrol division works two – twelve hour shifts. Day shift (0700 – 1900 hours), night shift (1900 – 0700 hours). The full time staff work in "teams" covering the 24 hour per day schedule. There is an additional position called the “swing shift” which is an alternative schedule that works as a secondary officer for the village and covers any time off.

The Village of Fowlerville is approximately 2.38 square miles with a population of approximately 2900 people. The Village of Fowlerville Police Department provides 24 hour, seven day per week service for the Village of Fowlerville residents. The Fowlerville Community Schools are also located within the Village of Fowlerville. The department responds to calls received through Livingston County Central Dispatch (911) and also calls received at the department. In addition to the calls received through 911 and the department, officers also self-initiate calls. The patrol division responded to 16,204 calls for service in 2022.

In 2022 the Village of Fowlerville Police Department retired Sergeant Jeffrey Soli and our Canine Officer, Hank. Sergeant Soli served the Fowlerville community for 26 years retiring on October 1st, 2022. Canine Hank also retired on October 1st, 2022 after serving the Fowlerville community for four years.

The Fowlerville Police Department hired two new patrol officers. Officer James McMahon IV, whom was sworn in on September 12th, 2022 and Officer Brett Austin, whom was sworn in on September 19th, 2022. The Fowlerville Police Department also hired a new Administrative Assistant, Brianne Ebert on October 24th, 2022.

Training

<i>Date</i>	<i>Training</i>	<i>Attendee</i>
01/28/2022	Behavioral Threat Assessment	Chief Tyler, Ofc. Kuzdek, & Sgt. Soli
02/16-02/17/2022	Active Shooter Training	All officers
03/07-03/08/2022	ARIDE-Rhino Training	Ofc. Duong
03/14/2022	Firearms/PPCT Training	All officers
03/21-03/22/2022	ARIDE-Rhino Training	Ofc. Edmonds and Kuzdek
04/08/2022	EIV Fraud Training	Ofc. Richmond
04/18-04/22/2022	PPCT/DT Training	SLO Coln
04/20/2022	FOIA	Lorraine Ritchie
08/02/2022	Firearms/PPCT Training	All officers
08/23/2022	ASHER Training	All officers
09/20/2022	Firearms/PPCT Training	All officers
09/22/02022	ASHER Training	Ofc. Kuzdek
09/26-09/30/2022	Crime Scene to Court Room	Chief Tyler
10/17-10/18/2022	Sexual Assault Investigations	SLO Coln
11/8/2022	Tabletop Discussion: Active Shooter	Chief, Sgt. Feister, SLO Coln
12/14/2022	New officer Training	Ofc. McMahon IV
12/13-12/15/2022	Forensic Interviewing: The Next Step	SLO Coln

School Liaison Officer

In April 1997, the Village of Fowlerville Police Department and the Fowlerville Community School District implemented a School Liaison Officer (SLO) position. The position has been in effect ever since and has become a vital part of the educational process. In 2022, we had two SLO officers, one being Sgt. Soli who retired in October, with Ofc. Coln taking place as the new SLO.

The SLO has an office on the school campus and works directly with school administrators to ensure a safe and orderly environment for all students, staff, and visitors. As a police representative in the schools, the SLO performs police related duties and enforcement of criminal laws while assisting the administrative staff with non criminal violations. The SLO also serves as a role model and mentor to students while providing students a safe and confidential environment in which they can speak to a trusted authority figure about everyday issues.

The SLO also performs follow up investigations for road patrol officers when the violation involves a student or is directly related to the Fowlerville School District.

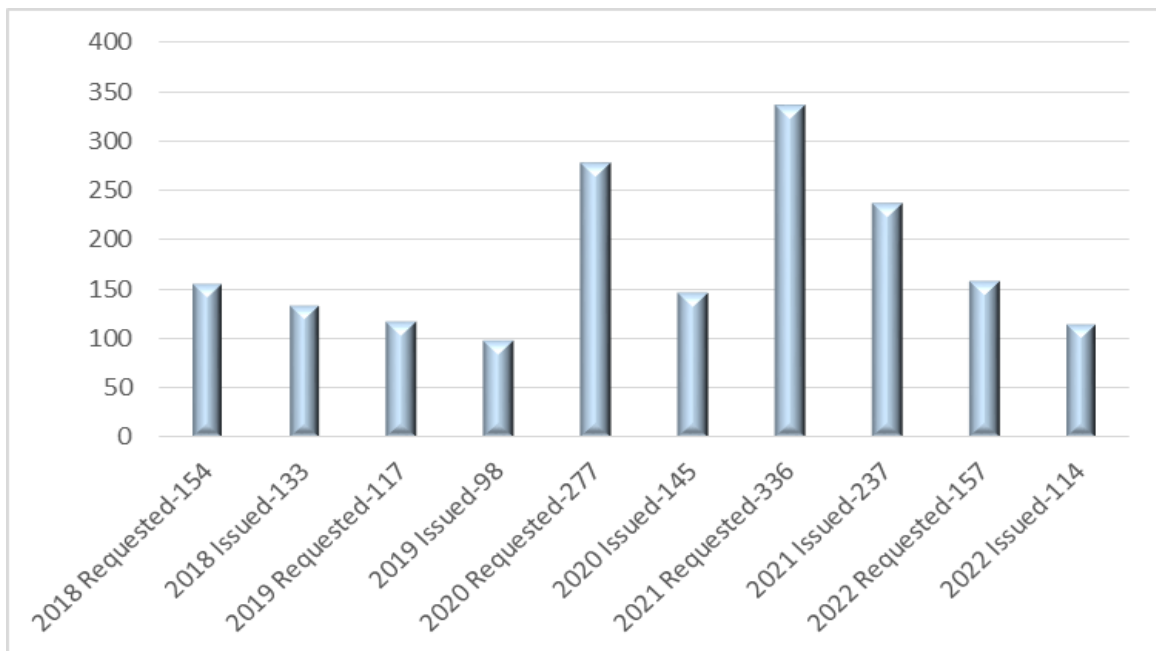
The SLO attends major sporting events and high school/junior high school dances. He also gives presentations and participates in the elementary school parades.

During 2022 the two SLO for the year, collectively responded to 986 incidents. This number reflects criminal as well as non-criminal complaints encompassing all schools in the Fowlerville School District.

The SLO position is funded by the Village of Fowlerville Police Department, the Fowlerville Community School District, Conway Township, Handy Township, and Iosco Township.

Police Records Bureau

The Livingston County Prosecutors Office requires that each agency submit all warrant requests electronically. The Records Bureau (administrative assistant) is responsible for preparing, scanning, and attaching, all pictures, witness statements, and requested forms to the police department's case file and to the prosecutor's case file. The Records Bureau is also responsible for entering impounded/abandoned vehicles, breath, blood, urine test reports, stolen vehicles, articles, and weapons into Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN). The Village of Fowlerville Police Department submitted 157 warrant requests in 2022. Of the 157 requests sent, 43 felonies and 71 misdemeanors were authorized.

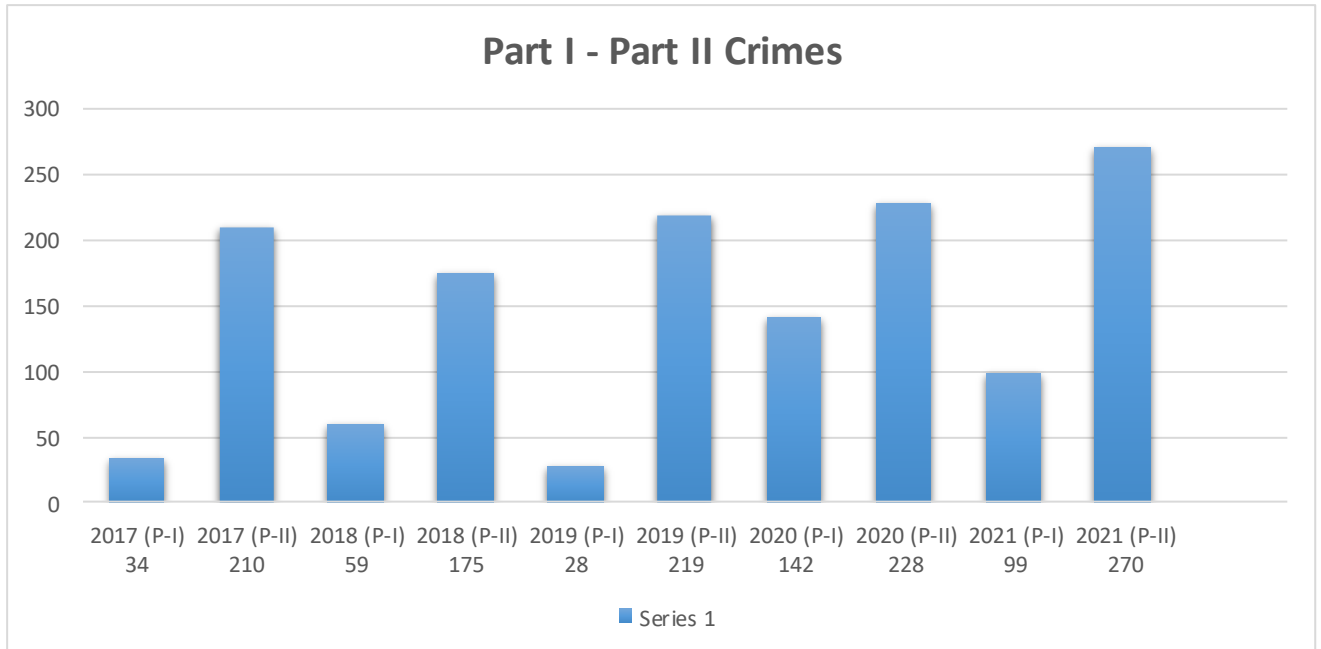


Reports and Calls for Service

The county wide records management system is designed to comply with National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) guidelines. Criminal data is electronically submitted monthly to the State for the compilation of Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) data. Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) is a State mandated and nationwide crime reporting system. It provides a nationwide view of crime based on the submission of statistics by law enforcement agencies throughout the country. The crime data is submitted either to a state UCR program or directly to the national UCR program which is administered by the FBI.

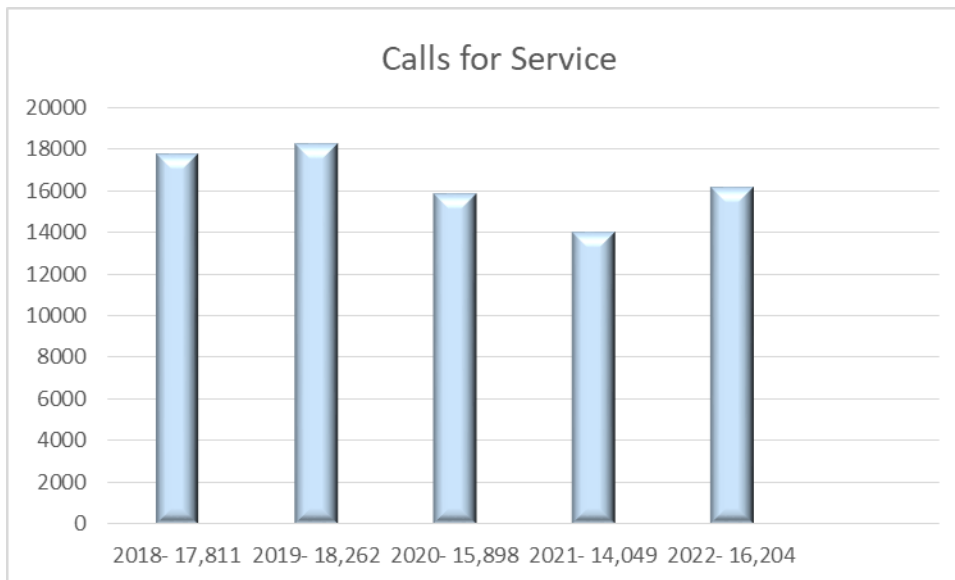
Crime reporting data is broken down into the following categories: violent (Part 1 crimes) and non-violent (Part 2 crimes). Part 1 crimes consist of the following offenses: murder, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, arson, and motor vehicle theft. Part 2 crimes are less serious in nature and encompass the following categories: simple assault, curfew offenses and loitering, embezzlement, forgery and counterfeiting, disorderly conduct, driving under the influence, drug offenses, fraud, gambling, liquor offenses, offenses against family, prostitution, public drunkenness, runaways, sex offenses, stolen property, vandalism, vagrancy, and weapon offenses.

Reflected in the chart on the following page is five years worth of statistics for the police department. You will notice that the data is only reflected through 2021. This is not an error, as of the printing of this report the 2022 data has not been compiled and published by the FBI. The 2022 data will be reflected in the 2023 annual report.



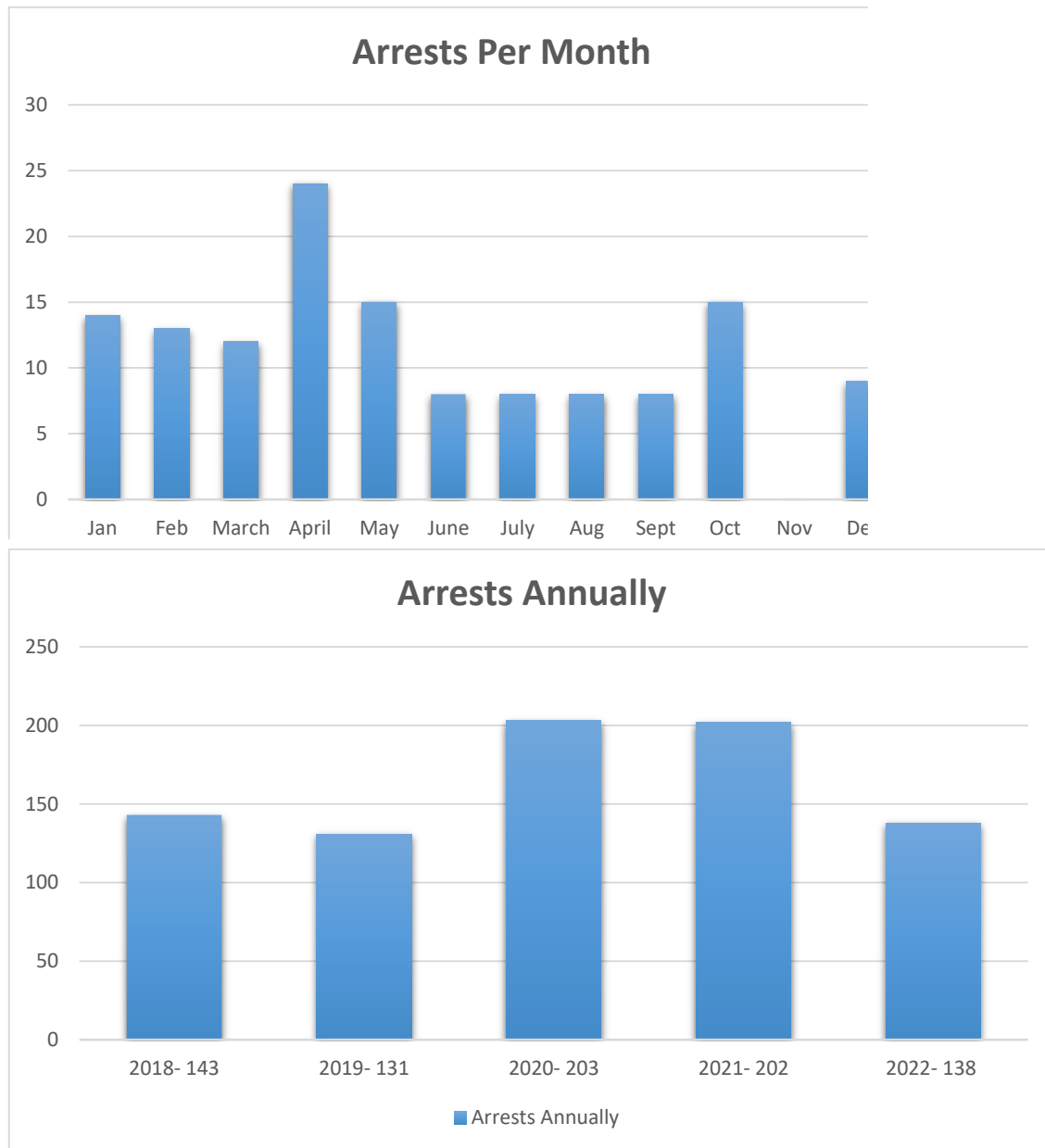
Calls for Service

The Village of Fowlerville Police Department is committed to providing excellent service to the citizens of the Village of Fowlerville. During 2022, officers responded to 16,204 calls for police service. These calls encompass all aspects of police activities and are not exclusively criminal incidents.



Annual Arrests

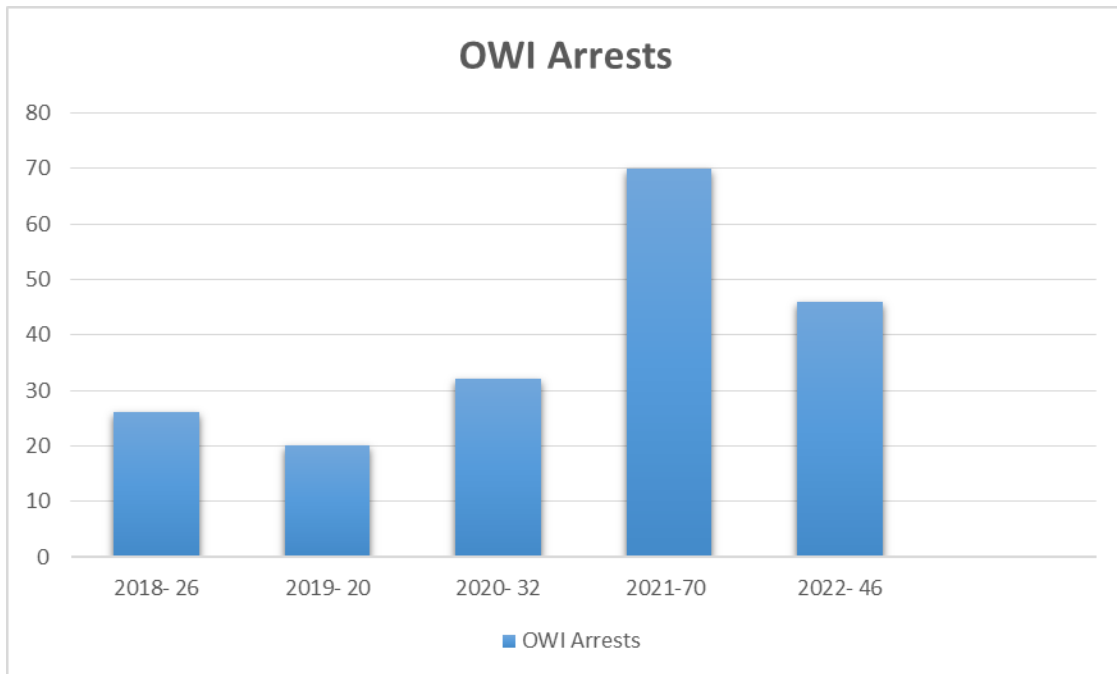
The Village of Fowlerville Police Department arrested 138 subjects in 2022. Of the 138 arrests 43 were for felony offenses.



Traffic Enforcement

The Village of Fowlerville Police Department has a high level of commitment to traffic safety through the enforcement of traffic laws and traffic safety education. Our goal is to reduce hazardous violations that contribute to personal injury and property damage crashes. During 2022 there were 407 traffic and parking citations issued.

The enforcement of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs is a high priority for our department. There were 46 drivers arrested for the offense of operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs during 2022. Of the 46 arrested, 0 were arrested for Operating While Intoxicated/High Blood Alcohol Content (B.A.C.) To be arrested for High B.A.C., the driver must have a B.A.C. of .17% or higher and be the first OWI offense.



Criminal Investigations

The Village of Fowlerville Police Department was involved in several noteworthy cases in 2022. Listed below is a summary of these incidents.

Concealed Weapons Violation and Driving While License Suspended

Officer Richmond was on general patrol and observed a vehicle failed to activate his turn signal and was not wearing a seatbelt. Officer Richmond conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle and when he made contact with the driver, he observed a wooden handle protruding from outside his coat. Officer Richmond was advised by the driver that the object was a hatchet and informed Officer Richmond that he carries the Hatchet for protection. Multiple other knives were located on the driver upon a later search. The driver did not have a valid driver's license and had a felony warrant for his arrest for narcotics. The driver was arrested for CCW and lodged at the Livingston County Jail.

Driving While License Suspended and Resisting & Obstructing

Officer Richmond stopped a vehicle due to the driver having a suspended driver's license. Officer Richmond requested the driver to exit the vehicle and informed him his license was not valid and that the vehicle needed to be towed. The driver then jumped back in the vehicle and drove away. Officer Richmond pursued the vehicle for a short distant until the driver stopped again and ran into a local factory. Officer Richmond was able to gain control of the suspect and place him under arrest. The suspect was then taken to the Livingston County Jail and lodged.

Domestic Violence – Strangulation, Interfere with Electronic Communication and Attempt Escape from Lawful Custody

Officer Edmonds was dispatched to a domestic assault that had just occurred at a residence. Dispatch advised the suspect took off after the neighbors stepped in to stop the assault. Officer Edmonds requested backup and then spoke with the victim who stated she and her boyfriend had gotten in to an argument and that she was

choked by him. The victim had red marks around her neck and advised she could not breathe and was having neck pain. The victim was transported to the hospital and treated her for injuries. The suspect was caught hiding inside a shed on the property and then was arrested and transported to the Livingston County Jail. The suspect has a lengthy history of violence and drug history.

Stalking, R & O and Home Invasion

Officer Feister and Chief Tyler were dispatched to the Fowlerville Walmart in reference to a stalking complaint. Upon arrival, the victim advised the officers that a customer at the gas station she is employed at was stalking her. The victim stated the suspect has been following her for the past few days and today followed her to Walmart. The victim advised he kept banging on her window trying to get into her car and ripped her door handle and license plate off. The victim stated the suspect fled when he heard the Police sirens. Sgt. Soli, K9 Hank, and Chief Tyler, tracked and located the suspect hiding underneath a mobile home. The suspect was ordered out and was placed under arrest.

Operating While Intoxicated, Concealed Weapons Violation, Possession of Firearms while Intoxicated

Officer Richmond was dispatched to a BOL for a vehicle that was driving all over the roadway. He was able to locate the vehicle and conduct a traffic stop. The driver was under the influence of illegal narcotics and alcohol. A search was conducted on the vehicle where a loaded handgun and a double edged knife was found. The suspect was arrested and lodged at the Livingston County Jail.

3 Counts of Resisting and Obstructing Police, Habitual Offender

Officer Coln was dispatched to a local gas station in reference to a disorderly male trying to get into customers cars and was urinating near the sidewalk. Dispatch advised the suspect was pulling on door handles and climbing into occupied cars and being aggressive towards the customers. Officer Coln located the suspect passed out and unresponsive near the sidewalk while requesting EMS to be dispatched to evaluate him. Officer Coln began talking to the suspect and he became alert and advised that he had a loaded firearm and was going to shoot the officers on scene. Officer Coln and a Deputy from the LCSO started restraining the

suspect who began actively resisting. The Officers were able to gain control over the suspect who was arrested and transported to the Livingston County Jail.

Home Invasion, Assault on Police, Domestic Violence, Resist & Obstruct, Disorderly and MDOP to Police Equipment

Officer Edmonds was dispatched to a breaking and entering in progress. Dispatch advised a male came into the residence and started being belligerent and was being held down by a neighbor and the caller's boyfriend. Officer Edmonds arrived on location and observed the suspect actively fighting and resisting the caller. The suspect was under the influence of drugs and alcohol. Officer Edmonds had to physically restrain the suspect to get him into custody while the suspect was attempting to assault Officer Edmonds. Officer Edmonds was able to gain control over the suspect and place him in the patrol vehicle. The suspect then began kicking the door of the vehicle causing damage to the door. The suspect was then transported to the Livingston County Jail to be lodged.

Operating Under the Influence of Drugs, Violation of Controlled Substance Act, Obstructing Justice, R&O

Officer Coln attempted to stop a vehicle for a traffic violation and the vehicle fled. The driver of the vehicle then jumped out of the moving vehicle and fled on foot a short distance. Officers Coln and Duong then were able apprehend the suspect. A search of the suspect yielded Methamphetamine, Cocaine, Marijuana, and illegal prescription pills. The suspect was also driving under the influence of drugs.

Resisting & Obstructing, Domestic Violence and Disorderly Conduct

Officer Coln was investigating a physical domestic report that came in. The suspect was at the Fowlerville Community Schools and was unaware that police were dispatched. It was made aware that the suspect had a felony warrant from a previous incident. Officer Coln advised the Fowlerville Community Schools to go into a lockout. Fowlerville Officers and with assistance from the Livingston County Sheriff Office were able to locate the suspect who refused to comply and be taken into custody. The suspect had to be tased by a LCSO Deputy. The suspect was then taken into custody and lodged at the Livingston County Jail.

Community Events

Police Week

Youth Police Academy

Started the Flex Position

Fowlerville Fair

Easy Riders

Veteran Fest

Luke Bryan Concert

Trunk or Treat community

Celebrity Server

Sgt. Soli retired

Cram the Cruiser

New School Building

Rotary Club Poker

Dawn Patrol

4th of July Parade/fireworks/car-show

Chili Cook-off

Christmas in the Ville

Memorial Day Parade

Ladies Night Out

Wreaths across America

Goals for 2023

This year I would like to expand some already existing community forums such drug awareness and telemarketer scams. The department interacts with the students of the Fowlerville School Community by putting on an informational lecture involving inmates from the Livingston County Jail to teach students about drug awareness. I am also committed to increasing education regarding the dangers of vaping not only in the Fowlerville Community Schools but also in the community itself. I also plan to continue educating seniors and the family members that care for them on fraudulent scams and how to spot them. This is an ongoing problem for not only our community but for all communities in Livingston County. Seniors are especially vulnerable to scams in this electronic age.

A main goal for the Fowlerville Police Department is to get our own police station. In the department that we are located at now, there is not enough room for advancement within. The building is not adequate enough in order for us to become an accredited police department, which is our next goal. We would like to go through the accreditation process to become accredited through the state of Michigan. Being accredited looks better as a department as a whole and further our agency's professional development and ensures that our methods, policies, procedures, and daily operations follow the best practices or "standards" in the law enforcement arena.

Lastly, I would like to upgrade our body cameras, in-car cameras, and interview camera to Axon, as our company that we have now, L3, is expiring. Having these cameras are essential to the operations and safety of our officers.

Summary

I plan on continuing with the community policing model. The Village of Fowlerville is unique in the aspect that we provide a high level of service to our citizens well above and beyond what many other police agencies provide in their communities. I believe that in today's society, we the police, need to be seen more conducting and attending as many functions as we can in support for this community.

I would like to thank the Village Manager, the Village Council and all of the citizens we serve. I am honored to serve as Chief of Police for such a great and supportive community. The Police Department and I look forward to continuing our high level of police service to the community. We will strive to change with the demands of the job and needs of our community. I look forward to being a part of a growing community that cares about community and family values.

Respectfully written,

John J. Tyler, Chief of Police
Fowlerville Police Department