

RED BLUFF POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2017



Red Bluff Police Department



MESSAGE FROM CHIEF SANDERS

On behalf of the men and women of the Red Bluff Police Department, I am pleased to present our 2017 annual report. This report provides an overview of the Police Department during 2017 and offers comprehensive information and statistics regarding crime, staffing, and units within the Department. We also highlight some of our outreach and partnership efforts within the community. We hope this report provides insight into the invaluable personnel we have along with the volumes of work they dealt with during 2017.

A year of stabilization is one way to describe the Police Department during the past year. With the retirement of one dispatcher and departure of only one Community Service Officer and one Police Officer (both of whom did not complete their probationary period), Department staffing was the most stable it has been in about a decade or so. This downward trend in our attrition rate began in 2016, which also saw a departure of only three department personnel. For comparison purposes, 2014 and 2015 combined for a loss of 13 employees. If this attrition rate reduction continues it will greatly benefit the organization and ultimately the community at large.

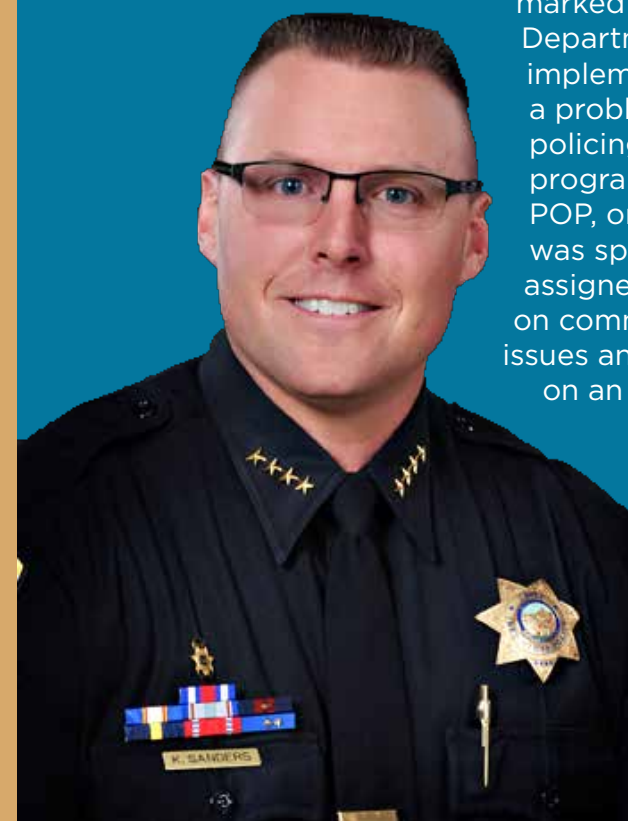
This past year also marked the Police Department's implementation of a problem oriented policing (POP) program. With POP, one officer was specifically assigned to focus on community issues and problems on an ongoing

basis. One area of focus was the continuing challenges associated with addressing and cleaning of illegal encampments in the community. This has proven to be a constant endeavor requiring a variety of community resources and partnerships.

Another noteworthy advancement during 2017 was the initiation of a crime analysis / intelligence led policing function. Significant time was spent studying, training, and beginning to develop information in usable formats to ultimately help make better informed decisions in officer deployment and time allocation. Having laid the foundation in 2017, we anticipate a fully functional crime analysis / intelligence led policing model in the year to come.

As you explore this report, I would encourage you to examine the statistical data that provides a snapshot of the crime in our City as well as insight into the workload associated with our work. As you look at this data, you may notice a hint of positive news. While crime is still far beyond acceptable levels, 2017 was the first year to see a significant reduction in UCR Part 1 crimes since 2011. This is a reversal of upward crime rates that began in 2012 and had continued to increase until this past year. As you continue reading through these pages, it will reflect a high level of activity and a variety of challenges. It will also demonstrate the quality and professionalism of the members of RBPd.

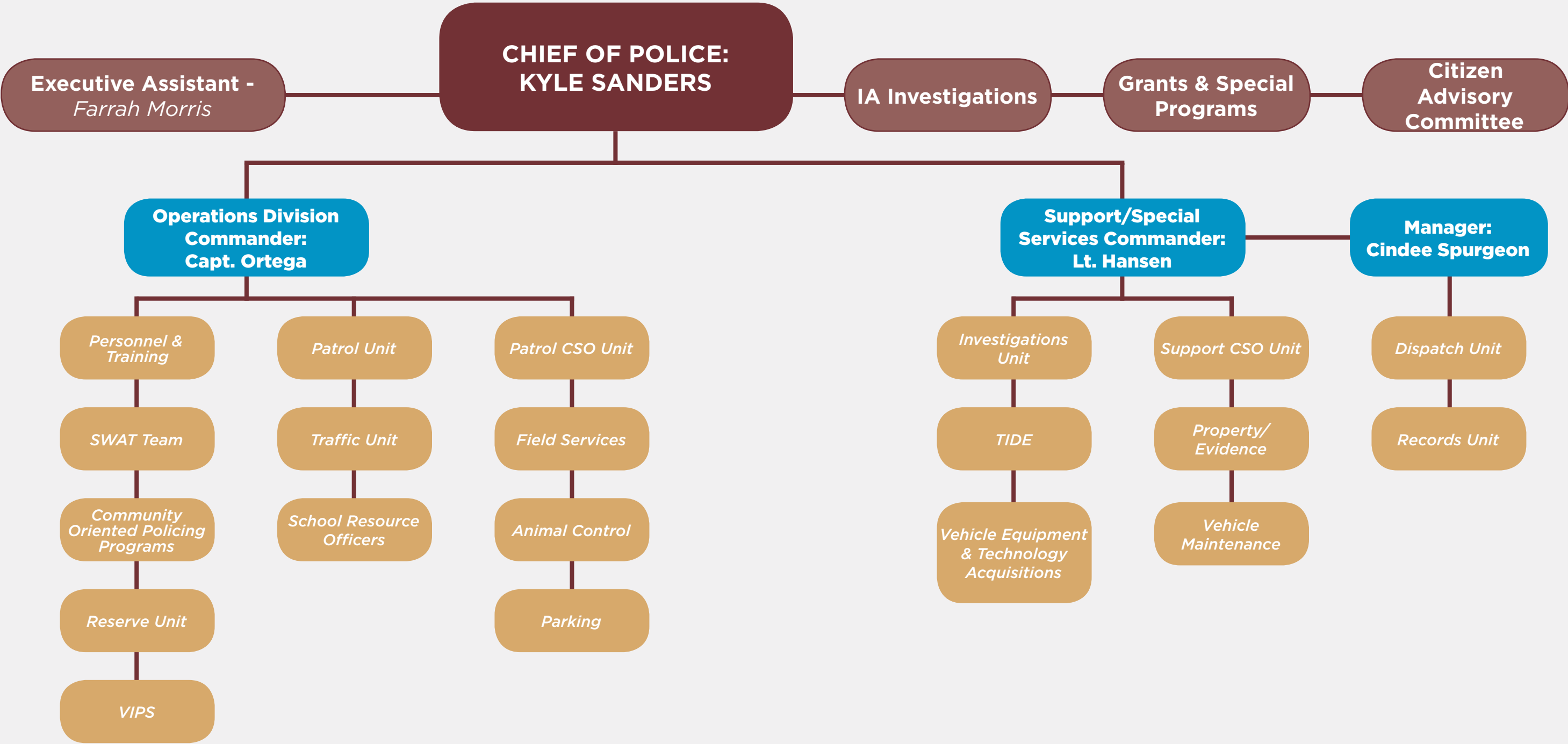
We regard Red Bluff as a tremendous community filled with organizations and citizens that exhibit outstanding support and trust in our Police Department. Our employees take great pride and ownership in working together in partnership with our community to combat crime and disorder and to make Red Bluff a great place to live.



"The achievements of an organization are the results of the combined effort of each individual"

-Vince Lombardi

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

<i>Traffic Report</i>	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Fatal Collisions	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
Injury Collisions	72	78	57	66	55	62	48
Property Damage Only Accidents	292	247	199	175	209	232	223
TOTAL COLLISIONS	365	325	257	242	264	295	271

<i>Citation/Arrest Type</i>	2014	2015	2016	2017	Change	% Change
DUI (Drunk Driving)	98	121	105	109	4	3.8%
Hit & Run	54	58	78	22	-56	-72%
Speeding	388	93	100	209	109	109%
Reckless Driving	13	12	5	3	-2	-40%
Stop Sign	89	79	43	42	-1	-2.3%
Traffic Light	50	46	28	28	0	0%
Failure to Yield	40	33	32	20	-12	-38%
Turning Movement	65	46	26	24	-2	-7.7%
Wireless Device Prohibited Use	0	72	100	203	103	103%
Misc. Moving Violations	441	107	49	23	-26	-53%
Misc. Non-Moving Violations	101	55	96	9	-87	-91%
Registration Violations 4000(A) - Traffic	292	194	109	208	99	91%
Safety Belts	80	23	22	55	33	150%
Driver's License Violations	262	186	143	171	28	20%
Equipment Violations	140	84	56	162	106	189%
Bicycle Violations	51	28	6	13	7	117%
Child Safety Seats	13	6	3	1	-2	-67%
TOTAL CITATIONS/ARRESTS	2,179	1,243	1,001	1,302	301	30%

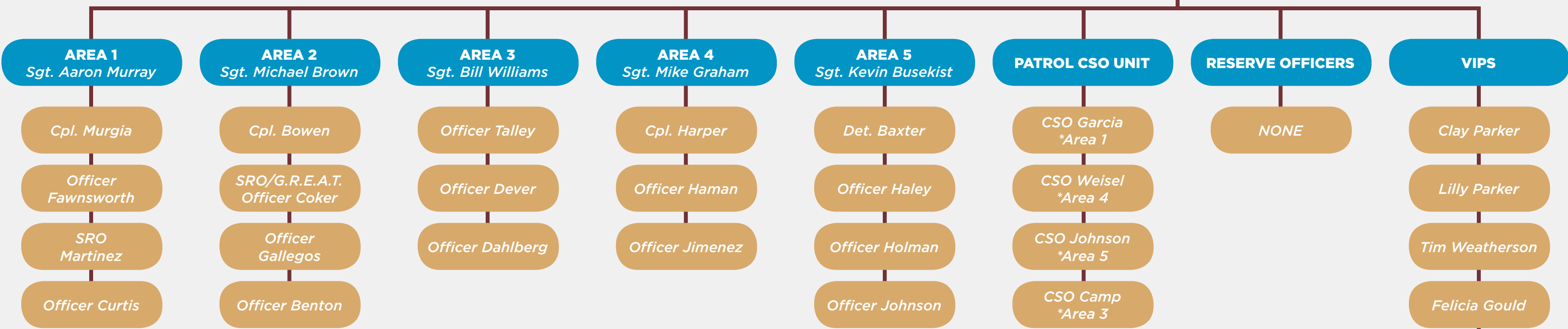
<i>Parking Citations</i>	2017
Registration Violations 4000(A) - Parking	300
Other Parking Violations (Not including 4000A)	204
TOTAL PARKING VIOLATIONS	504

<i>Written Police Reports</i>	2017
Original Reports	4,240
Supplemental Reports	2,957
Total Written Reports	7,197

<i>Arrests</i>	2014	2015	2016	2017	Change	% Change
Adults	1,502	1,491	1,541	1,662	121	7.9%
Juveniles	201	236	145	101	-44	-30%
TOTAL ARRESTS	1,703	1,727	1,686	1,763	77	4.6%

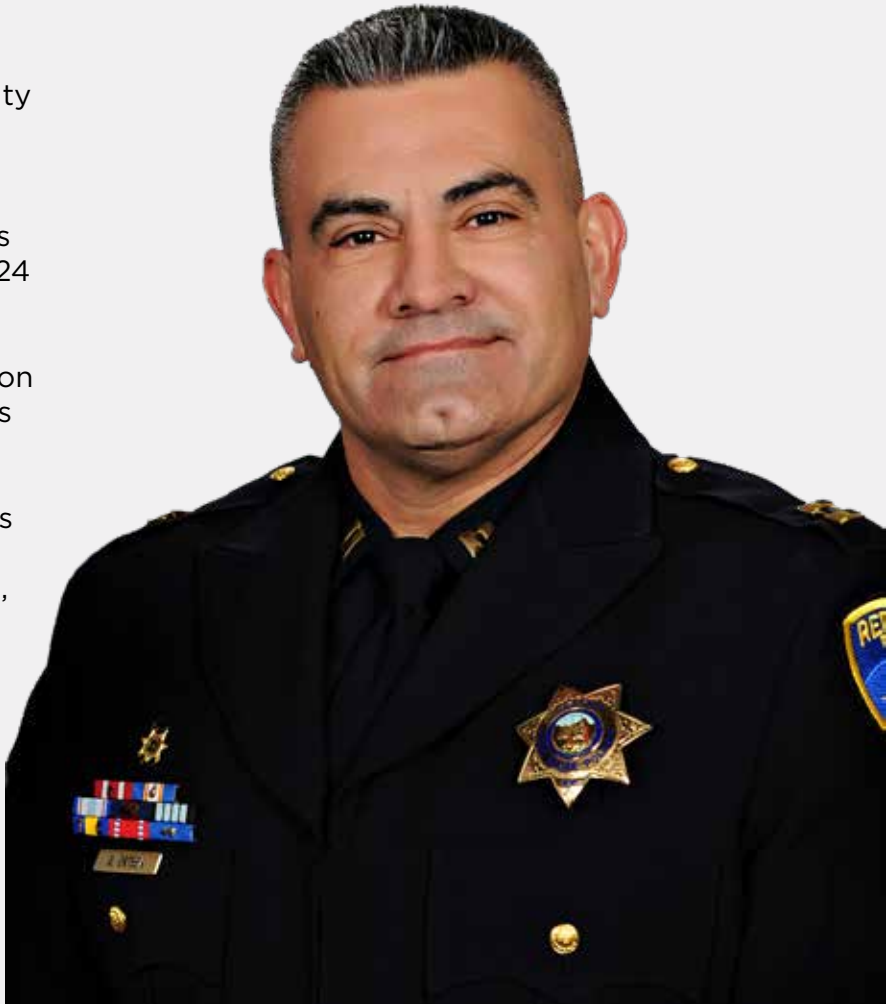
<i>Crime</i>	2014	2015	2016	2017	Change	% Change
Homicide	1	0	0	0	0	0%
Rape	14	13	21	30	9	43%
Robbery	25	25	35	32	-3	-8.6%
Assault-Simple	355	455	397	345	-52	-13%
Assult-Aggravated	89	80	103	100	-3	-2.9%
Burglary	244	222	263	157	-106	-40%
Larceny	573	674	722	700	-22	-0.03%
Motor Vehicle Thefts	94	99	116	106	-10	-8.6%
Arson	4	3	8	10	2	25%
TOTAL PART 1 CRIMES	1,399	1,571	1,665	1,480	-185	-11%

<i>Domestic Violence</i>	2014	2015	2016	2017	Change	% Change
Total Domestic Calls Received	302	352	314	268	-46	-14.6%
TOTAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ARRESTS	91	129	92	108	16	17.3%



The Operations Division is comprised of Sergeants, Corporals, Officers, and Community Service Officers (CSO) whose primary function is to deliver initial police services to the community. These uniformed personnel provide police response to calls for service as well as the initial response to an emergency 24 hours a day / 7 days a week.

Other personnel within the Operations Division include two fulltime School Resource Officers (SRO) and one traffic officer, when available. The Volunteers in Police Services (VIPS) also fall within the Operations Division. Programs associated with this division not previously mentioned include K9, COPPS, Field Training, Special Events, Professional Development, GREAT, and SWAT.



The Operations Division accounts for most of the Department's measurable workload and is the most visible in the community as they are usually the primary contact for persons seeking police services. All personnel within the Operations Division worked persistently throughout 2017 to address a year filled with challenges. These men and women routinely made sacrifices for the betterment of the Department and to improve the quality of life within the City of Red Bluff.



*VIP:
Clay Parker*



*VIP:
Donald Whiteside*



*VIP:
Dan Jackson*



*VIP:
Felicia Gould*



*VIP:
Kim Ochoa*



*VIP:
Tim Weatherson*



*VIP:
Nigel Mist*



*VIP:
Polly Poerink*

*VIPS not pictured:
Lilly Parker
Bill Conrad
Maureen Greer*

VIPS

VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICE (VIPS)



VIPS Meeting

The RBPd VIPS program was established in 2013. Since then, the volunteers have donated over 7440 hours of service to the Red Bluff Police Department and the community. Nigel Mist was honored as Volunteer of the Year for 2017.

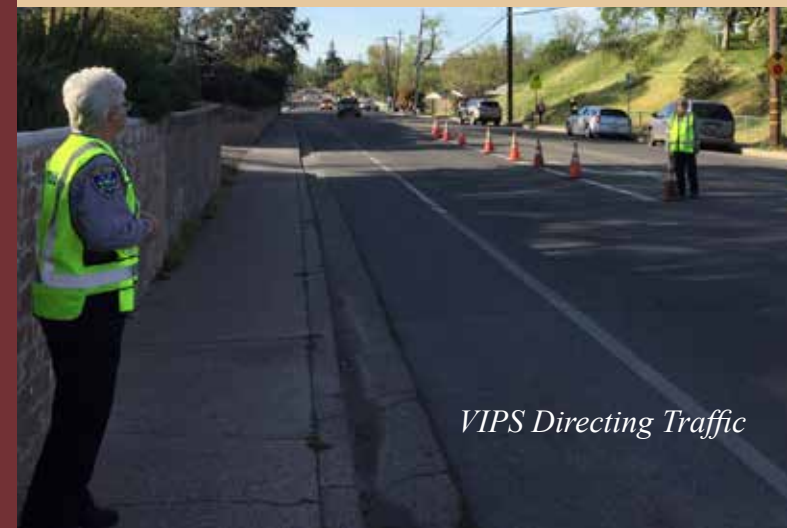
Our VIPS Roster currently includes:

Clay Parker, *Lead VIP*
Dan Jackson
Lilly Parker
Don Whiteside
Tim Weatherson
Felicia Gould
Kim Ochoa
Bill Conrad
Nigel Mist
Maureen Greer
Polly Poerink

VIPS contribute to the Department in a number of key and valuable ways. Below is a brief list of a few of the key VIPS contributions during 2017:

- Volunteered a total of 7,440 hours, since 2013.
- Participated in the following Areas:
 - > Records
 - > Property and Evidence
 - > Vehicle Maintenance
 - > Crime Scene Containment
 - > Fingerprinting Registrants
 - > Answering Phones
 - > Building Repair
 - > Maintenance Projects
 - > Parking Enforcement
 - > Parade Details / Traffic Control
 - > Community Patrol
 - > Drug Take Back Event
 - > Vehicle Abatement
 - > Overseeing Inmate Workers
 - > Other Miscellaneous Functions

The VIPS program proved to be even more beneficial than ever anticipated. The first four years of the program have demonstrated what a small cadre of committed individuals can do to help their community. We look forward to their continued success during 2018.



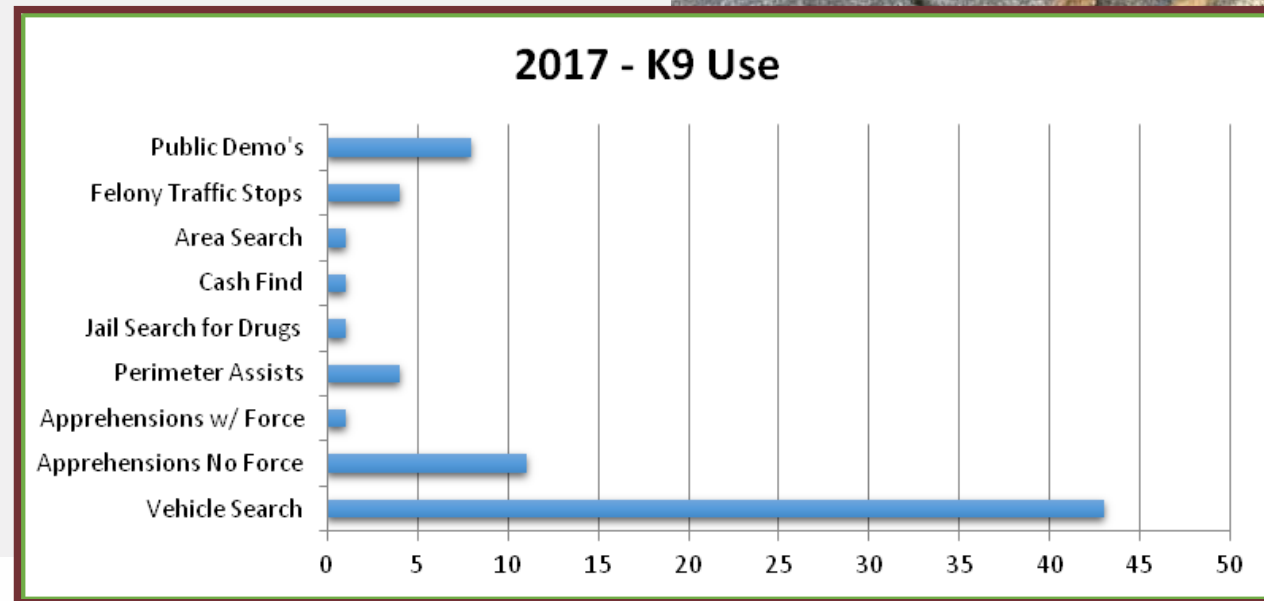
VIPS Directing Traffic

K9 PROGRAM

2017 marked the sixth year of having a dual trained K-9 capable of protecting officers as well as sniffing out drugs. Sergeant Mike Brown and his partner “Many” continued to produce positive results in the field and through community demonstrations.

On May 6, 2017 we had our K9 fundraiser at the Red Bluff Community Center. The event was a success and allowed us to continue to fund our (2) K9’s, K9 Many & K9 Aries.

The following chart shows a bit of the K9 Unit activity for 2017.



The K9 Steering Committee and Red Bluff Police Department continue to remain grateful to all who donated their time and or money to establish the K9 Program and to keep it going. As a program completely funded through donations, the K9 team continued to prosper during 2017 as a result of the collective efforts of our community. We sincerely thank all who have helped as we could not have accomplished this without the incredible community support.

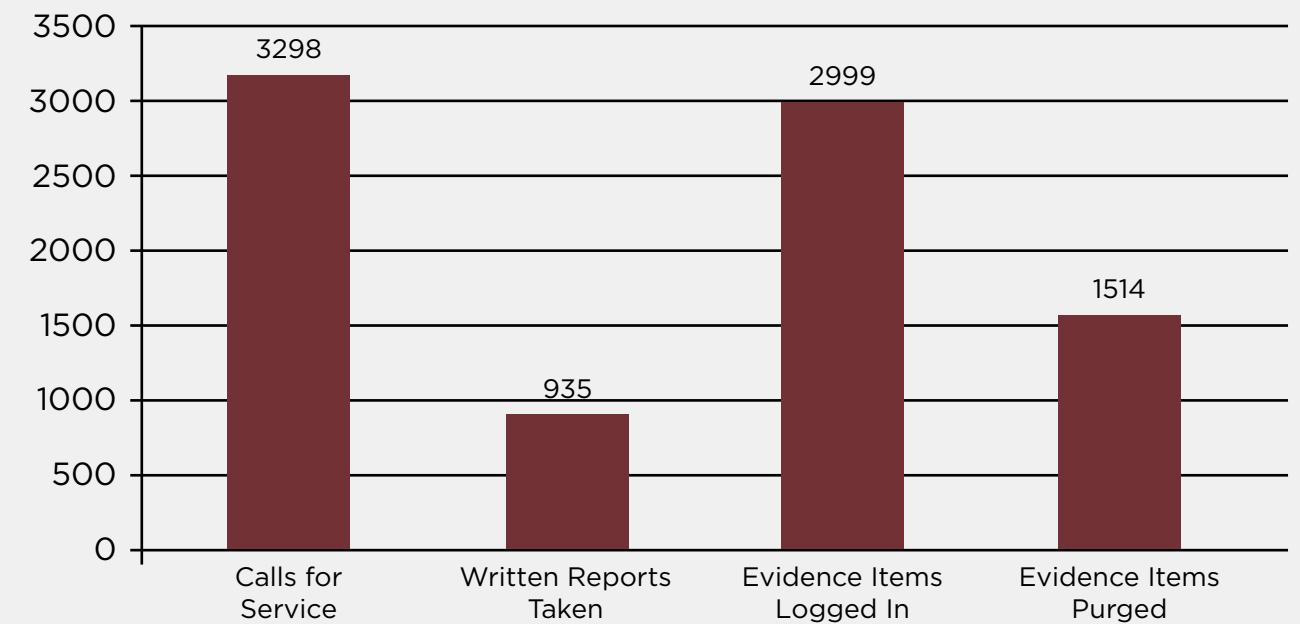
COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

The Red Bluff Police Department's Community Service Officers continued to contribute greatly to the department's mission. During 2017, staffing within the unit was as high as five and a half. At the time of this writing, staffing is currently at four. One CSO left the department and the other was selected to attend the Butte College Police Academy, as a department sponsored cadet. That CSO, Ronald Johnson, graduated the academy in December and is now serving as an officer.

The CSO unit is responsible for a variety of tasks within the department. CSO's are assigned to either the Operations

Division or the Support Services Division. Depending on their assignment, CSOs are tasked with supporting patrol by taking reports that do not require the presence of a sworn officer, Property & Evidence, Vehicle Fleet Maintenance, Animal Control, Parking & Abatement Enforcement, and special events.

The chart below represents only a small segment of the vast amount of work this unit accomplishes:



G.R.E.A.T. PROGRAM | *SRO Matt Coker*

SRO Coker started as the GREAT Program Instructor at Vista Preparatory Academy August of 2016. SRO Coker has taught the GREAT Program for three semesters of instruction and has taught more than 330 students in the program so far.

Between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017 SRO Coker took 163 criminal reports. Of those 163 criminal cases only 5 of them included cases originating from incidents that took place at Vista Preparatory Academy.

There were NO gang related incidents during the 2017/2018 school year at Vista Preparatory Academy. This is one indication of the success the GREAT Program is having.

SRO Coker taught the GREAT (Gang Resistance Education and Training) classes during the 2017/2018 school year to all of the Vista 7th grade classes.

- GREAT classes go for 13 weeks each semester – one class a week – 1 hour class times
- 120+ Seventh grade students completed the GREAT Program during the 2017 fall semester. More than 800 students have completed the GREAT Program with either former SRO Baxter or SRO Coker at this time.
- There are a total of 7, seventh grade classes at Vista Preparatory Academy.
- Four classes were taught in the fall semester.
- Three classes are currently being taught this spring semester.
- Each of the seven classes planned/organized and completed a “Making Vista a better place project.”

- Projects included: Positive message Tee shirts, a mural to be hung on campus and Repainting the basketball courts.

GREAT Classes include educating the students in the following life skills:

- The truth about gangs and violence
- How gangs and violence can affect their future
- Defining their roles in the school/ community
- Development of goals and methods to obtain those goals
- Development of decision making skills
- Development of effective communication skills
- Development of effective refusal skills
- Developing skills and ways to deal with peer pressure
- Development of effective anger management skills
- Development of effective conflict resolution techniques



SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

SRO Lela Martinez

During the 2017 school year, Officer Lela Martinez served as the Red Bluff High District School Resource Officer. While in her role as the School Resource Officer, Officer Martinez has participated in scheduled school events and initiated bridging relationships with students and staff.

SRO Martinez has prepared and provided presentations on “Signs of a Trafficker”, (warning signs for Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children) to the 2017 freshman students. SRO Martinez has also prepared and provided presentations to inform the freshmen students and the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Vista Preparatory Academy students of the consequences of Sexting.

SRO Martinez has worked with the Department of Education and the Tehama County Health Services in providing, “Stay off the Grass” classes to several students though out the year. These classes provide knowledge to our juveniles about the dangers and chemical effects of marijuana on their developing brain. SRO Martinez has worked with Alternative to Violence in providing connection and services to students who are victims or potential victims of teen dating violence.

SRO Martinez worked with SRO Coker in presenting Cyber Awareness information classes to the parents of Vista Preparatory Academy. The District English Language Advisory Committee (DLAC) hosted 2 events for SRO Martinez to present information on Cyber Awareness and Sexting to the Spanish speaking parents of Red Bluff High School.

While performing her duties at the Red Bluff High School, SRO Martinez has also been successful in building positive relationships with varying students. Early in 2017, SRO Martinez took a student to the Shasta Mud Run to boost positive interaction with Law Enforcement and build self motivation and feeling of self accomplishment. SRO Martinez taught a 10 week, Girls Inc. curriculum to Vista Preparatory School 7th and 8th grade female student which encourages healthy living, academic enrichment and provides life skill instructions.

While performing her duties at the Red Bluff High School, SRO Martinez has participated in the Special Olympics event and Street Treat. This allowed the students to see the benefits to being active in their community as having a positive and encouraging contact with SRO Martinez.



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT &
SPECIAL EVENTS



Dignity Health, Act of Humankindness



Round-Up Shuttle Service



Villa Columba Neighborhood Watch



GWG, K9 Donation



Rancho Tehama School's "Rancho Strong"



UTV with Donators

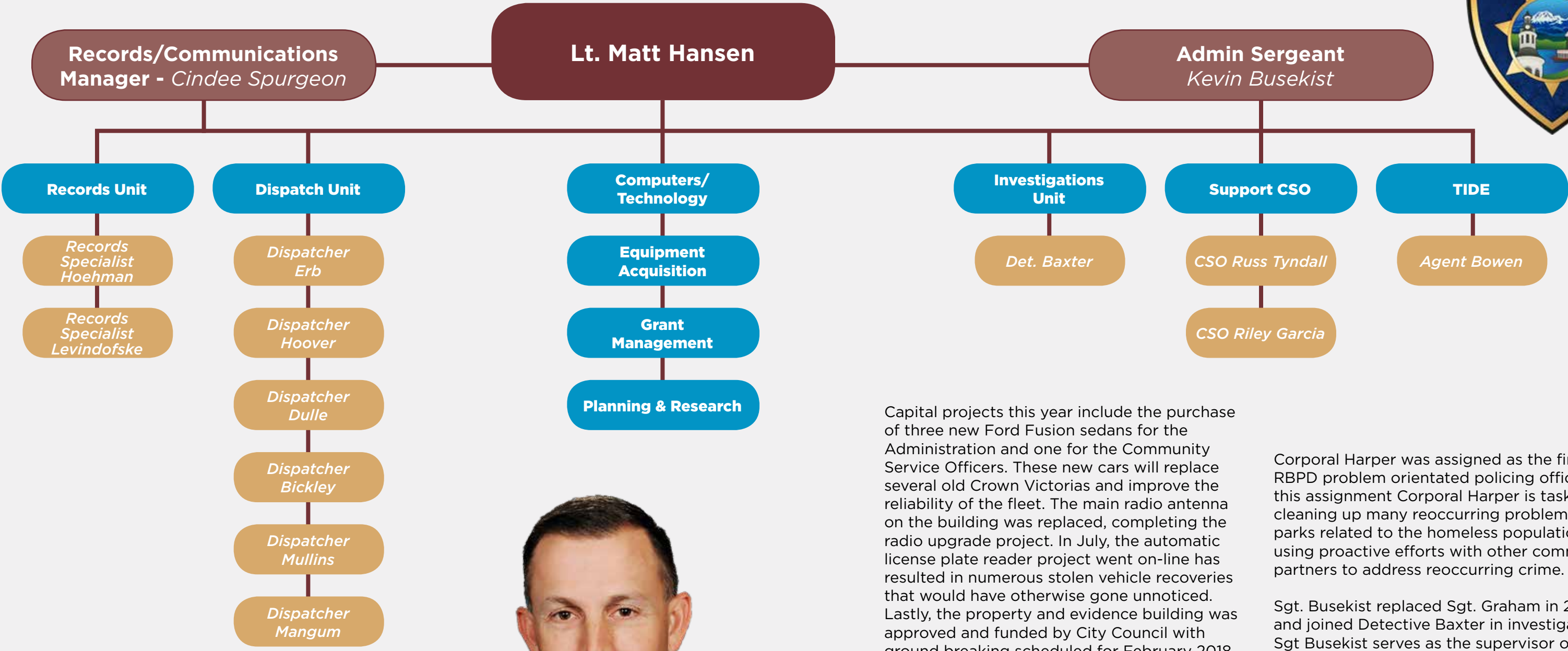
WHY A NATIONAL NIGHT OUT?

The purpose of National Night Out, which is organized in conjunction with various police organizations nationwide, is to inform the public about various police and community programs. Drug prevention initiatives, town watch organizations, or even tips on how to burglar proof your home are only a few of the educational highlights of a typical National Night Out community gathering.



SUPPORT/SPECIAL SERVICES DIVISION

Lt. Matt Hansen



The Support/Special Services Division is comprised of several units that include Investigations (Detectives), Records, Community Services Officers (CSO), Dispatch and new this year the Problem Oriented Policing Unit. While each of these units vary greatly in the scope of work performed, all are vital to the mission and goals of the Red Bluff Police Department.



Capital projects this year include the purchase of three new Ford Fusion sedans for the Administration and one for the Community Service Officers. These new cars will replace several old Crown Victorias and improve the reliability of the fleet. The main radio antenna on the building was replaced, completing the radio upgrade project. In July, the automatic license plate reader project went on-line has resulted in numerous stolen vehicle recoveries that would have otherwise gone unnoticed. Lastly, the property and evidence building was approved and funded by City Council with ground breaking scheduled for February 2018.



Corporal Harper was assigned as the first RBPD problem orientated policing officer. In this assignment Corporal Harper is tasked with cleaning up many reoccurring problems in city parks related to the homeless population and using proactive efforts with other community partners to address reoccurring crime.

Sgt. Busekist replaced Sgt. Graham in 2017 and joined Detective Baxter in investigations. Sgt Busekist serves as the supervisor of the Support Services Division, manages the volunteer program and is a crisis negotiator. A goal in 2018 is to assign another Detective to the Investigations Unit in order to assist with an overwhelming caseload and to provide a better service to the community.

We welcomed Public Safety Dispatcher Stephanie Mangum to Red Bluff Police in 2017. This brought dispatch to full staffing and we look forward to having Stephanie complete her training soon and on her own.



Dispatcher:
Amber Dulle



Dispatcher:
Brittany Bickley



Dispatcher:
Janee Hoover



Dispatcher:
Quenton Mullins



Dispatcher:
Stephanie Mangum



Dispatcher:
Suszette Erb

DISPATCHERS

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

Manager Cindee Spurgeon

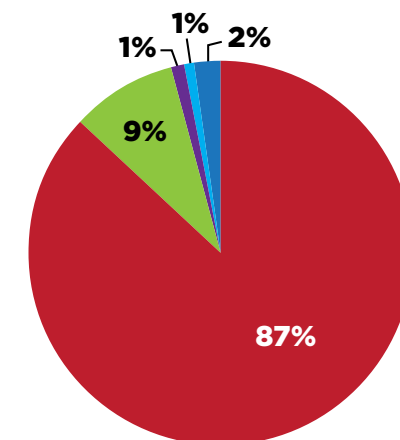
Welcome to the Red Bluff Police Department's Communications Center. It consists of six dispatchers and a Manager who supervises the center. The center is staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year. There are usually 1-2 dispatchers on duty at any time.

The dispatchers' primary responsibilities include answering emergency and non-emergency phone lines, keeping track

of all on-duty personnel, and monitoring the department's primary radio channel along with allied agency radio channels. Dispatchers use a Computer Aided Dispatcher (CAD) system to input calls for service and to keep track of all units. They prioritize these calls for service quickly and efficiently and then dispatch the appropriate unit(s). For these reasons, the Communications Center is considered the "hub" of the department.

All telephone calls by type

	2014	2015	2016	2017
Incoming Phone Calls	54,745	53,817	54,134	51,175
Outgoing Phone Calls	16,854	15,101	14,257	11,667
TOTAL Phone Calls to/from Dispatch	71,599	68,918	68,391	62,842
TOTAL 911 Emergency Calls	12,599	11,926	12,531	11,462
% of 911 Calls Answered Under 10 Seconds	92%	93%	95%	95%



- (0 seconds) Answer Time
- (0-6 seconds) Excellent (1 ring)
- (7-12 seconds) Good (2 rings)
- (13-18 seconds) Average (3 rings)
- (19-24 seconds) Poor (4 rings)

RECORDS SPECIALIST

Records Unit Work Statistics

	2015	2016	2017
Reports Processed (Excluding supplements)	4,300	4,552	4,240
Citations Processed (Traffic & Criminal)	2,414	2,444	2,892
Concealed Weapons Permits Processed (New & Renewal)	58	119	84

The job duties of a Records Specialist at the Red Bluff Police Department are varied. They include being the first line of interaction with the general public in the office, processing the paperwork of all arrested persons for submission to the DA or court, reviewing citations and reports for accuracy, preparing and releasing police reports, and answering phone calls and counter inquiries. Under general supervision, the records specialist maintains police records and provides information and assistance to department personnel, allied agencies and the general public.

Vehicle Release Policy

The vehicle release fee of \$54.00 must be paid in cash before the vehicle can be released. Towing and storage fees are separate from the department fee and are payable to the tow company.

Vehicles removed pursuant to Vehicle Code §22850 shall be released after proof of current registration is provided by the owner or person in control of the vehicle and after all applicable fees are paid.

Vehicles removed that require payment of parking fines or proof of valid driver’s license shall only be released upon presentation of proof of compliance, proof

of payment, completion of affidavit and payment of applicable fees related to the removal. (Vehicle Code §22651, 22652, 22850.3 and .5).

Requests for Records

Records requests may be made at the front counter between the hours of 8am-4pm, Monday through Friday by completing and signing a request form. Picture identification is required. Records are released in accordance with Section 6254 of the Government Code and any fees must be paid prior to release. Records may not always be released the same day as the request. The law provides 10 days for the request to be reviewed and determined if it can be released to the requestor. Fees are \$8.00 for the first four pages of a record and \$.50 per page thereafter.



RECORDS



Records:
Alex Levindofske



Records:
Jessica Hoehman



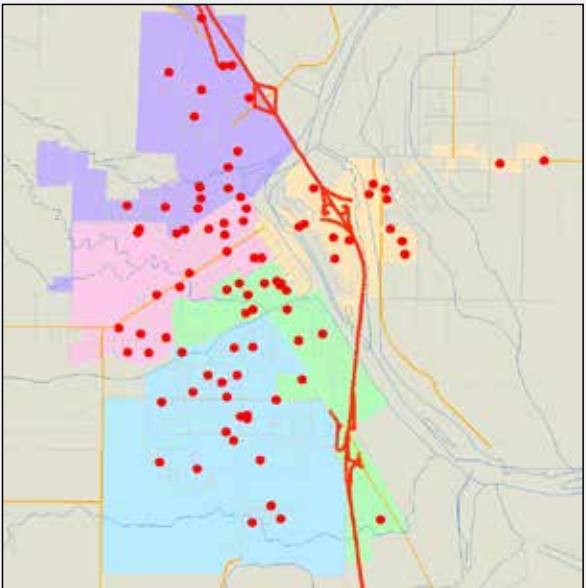
Records Manager:
Cindee Spurgeon

NEW ASSIGNMENTS & DEPARTURES

Dispatcher Kim McIvor	2/25/2017	Retired
Officer Nate Benton	2/27/2017	Hired as a Police Officer
Ashley Leaf	3/23/2017	Employment Ended
CSO Riley Garcia	4/10/2017	Hired as fulltime CSO
Officer Kenneth Warren	6/21/2017	Employment Ended
Heidi Curtis	7/10/2017	Re-hired as Police Officer
Dispatcher Stephanie Mangum	10/30/2017	Hired as Dispatcher
Officer Ronald Johnson	12/11/2017	Promoted to Police Officer



CRIME ANALYSIS



colored pins and created patrol districts from information collected. By 1930, the Uniform Crime Reporting System (UCR) had been developed and is still utilized in crime analysis today.

“On the assumption of regularity of crime and similar occurrences, it is possible to tabulate these occurrences by areas within a city and thus determine the points which have the greatest danger of such crimes and what points have the least danger.”
-August Vollmer

Known as the “Father of American Policing”, August Vollmer was born in 1876 and has pioneered most of the innovations that continue in police work today. He became the Chief of Police in Berkeley, CA in 1909 where he remained until 1932. By the end of his term, Berkeley was regarded as one of the safest cities in America. His contributions to crime analysis include: bicycle patrol, vehicle patrol, radio communication, scientific investigations, finger print system, the development of an academy and school of criminology at the University of California. The most important for us today was the development of a basic records management system to organize reports in a manner conducive to analysis. He used crime mapping with

The position of Crime Analyst was introduced to the Red Bluff Police Department in 2017. The Crime Analyst uses systematic data to analyze crime trends and patterns to assist with identifying and apprehending individuals involved in criminal activity. Data analysis can also be used to pin point “hot spots” or areas in the city needing extra patrol as well as areas where traffic accidents are occurring frequently and other areas of interest. The goal is to create a Problem Oriented Policing Strategy (POP). This strategy will help to identify problems and execute a plan to eliminate or decrease incidents in these problem areas. The Crime Analyst runs statistical data, creates maps and charts, maintains spreadsheets, creates flyers and produces other information as needed to department

heads. The analyst also tracks Sex, Narcotic, Arson and Gang registrants with the city. These individuals must follow strict guidelines and register accordingly; registration sweeps are done frequently to ensure compliance.

Registration Type	2016	2017
Arson	6	13
Gang	5	15
Narcotic	14	176
Sex Offender	240	213
TOTAL Registrations	265	417

HOMELESS OUTREACH TEAM



*Officer/SRO Vista:
Matt Coker*



*Corporal:
Stephen Harper*



Corporal Harper and Officer Coker as part of the Homeless Outreach Team, which is comprised of different law enforcement agencies within Tehama County, utilize the Tehama County AB 109 work crews (inmates) to complete illegal encampment cleanups. In 2017, 25.5 tons of refuse was removed from 45 illegal encampments. GreenWaste and the Tehama County Landfill has waived nearly \$10,000 in fees as part of the process. Since 2016, we have removed over 70 tons of refuse in 71 illegal encampments with over \$17,000 in fees waived.



*Executive Assistant:
Farrah Morris*



*Sergeant:
Kevin Busekist*



*Sergeant:
Michael Graham*



*Detective:
Sean Baxter*



*Officer/SRO Vista:
Matt Coker*



*Officer:
Michael Fawnsworth*



*Sergeant:
Mike Brown*



*Sergeant:
Aaron Murray*



*Sergeant:
Bill Williams*



*Officer:
Jake Dever*



*Officer:
Matt Haman*



*Officer:
James Talley & Aries*



*Corporal:
Stephen Harper*



*Corporal:
Kevin Bowen*



*Corporal:
Ruben Murgia*



*Officer:
Jeremy Haley*



*Officer/SRO RBHS:
Lela Martinez*



*Officer:
Darren Holman*

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL



*Officer:
Justin Jimenez*



*Officer:
Jerold Gallegos*



*Officer:
Colin Dahlberg*



*Officer:
Heidi Curtis*



*Officer:
Nate Benton*



*Officer:
Ron Johnson*



*CSO:
Russ Tyndall*



*CSO:
Riley Garcia*



*CSO:
Cara Antolin-Weisel*



Always Remembered, Never Forgotten

REMEMBER WHY YOU STARTED

*“As a law enforcement Officer, my
fundamental duty is to serve mankind;.....
and to respect the Constitutional rights of
all persons to liberty, equality and justice”*

*“I recognize the badge of my office as a
symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a
public trust to be held so long as I am true
to the ethics of the police service”*

