

SUN PRAIRIE POLICE DEPARTMENT

A photograph of the Sun Prairie Police Department building. In the foreground, two black patrol cars are parked on a paved area. Behind them, three flagpoles stand with the American flag and the Sun Prairie Police Department flag. The building is a modern structure with large windows. The sky is blue with some clouds.

WE WILL BUILD
Relationships
AND SOLVE PROBLEMS

2018 ANNUAL REPORT

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VISION

A Sun Prairie where all can live safely and are empowered to share responsibility for public safety solutions, protected by a police department that is trustworthy and offers hope.

MISSION

We will build relationships and solve problems.

CORE VALUES

Exceptional Service and Problem Solving (Competence)

We are committed to providing high quality policing services and strive for continuous improvement. We are responsive to community priorities and expectations, while educating the community on our capabilities and limitations. We measure our success by the number of problems we eliminate through community-based, problem-oriented, data-driven policing strategies.

Professionalism (Character)

We understand that public trust is the foundation of our profession. We are accountable to ourselves, each other, and the community for our words and actions.

Employee Fulfillment (Leadership)

We view all of our members as leaders with each offering a valuable contribution to our department. We are responsible for the performance, reputation, and morale of the department. We recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our members.



The Sun Prairie Police Department's 2018 annual report summarizes and highlights the relationship building and problem solving that we engage in to help keep our community safe and strong. Thank you for turning to the report to learn more about us.

Our department will forever be altered by the events of July 10th. That evening, downtown Sun Prairie experienced a gas leak and subsequent explosion that resulted in the loss of life, varying degrees of injuries, and considerable public and private property damage.

Moving forward, it is our sincere hope that this tragedy will result in a serious evaluation of regulatory language pertaining to the responsibilities of those engaged in utility work. Advancements to public safety are available, and I can think of no better way to honor the service and sacrifice of Captain Barr of the Sun Prairie Fire Department.

As I have in the past, I would like to express my deep appreciation for the courageous efforts of our firefighters, paramedics, and police officers to assist those in harm's way, both before and after the explosion. We will never know how many lives were saved, but we do know that about 250 people were evacuated from the immediate area prior to the explosion.

Also, I would like to extend my gratitude to my fellow community members for the overwhelming care and concern you extended to the Barr family, the injured, the displaced, the devastated, and the first responders. We will not forget your kindness and support.

Communities are judged by several things. Public safety is near the top of the list. The highly talented and dedicated members of our department remain committed to making Sun Prairie a safe and enjoyable place to live and visit by policing in a creative, fair, and effective manner.

See you around town!

Pat
Patrick Anhalt
Chief of Police



ADMINISTRATION

Patrick Anhalt	Chief
Brian Teasdale	Assistant Chief
Kevin Konopacki	Lieutenant
Jamie Peterson	Lieutenant

SERGEANTS

Brenda Dahlen	Ray Thomson
Jason Lefeber	Brandon Lingle
Brian Luckus	Josh Hameister
Ryan Cox	Ryahn Smith

DETECTIVES

Scot Bartnick	Michael Hartman
James Frank Smith	Cathy Messenger
David Hall	

OFFICERS

Jack Wilkinson	Lamont Crockett
Gary Nichols	Royse Sessums
Jill Koll	Jason Scott
Matt Koll	Mackenzie Miller
Zach Bolling	Brandon Reigstad
Amy Bolling	Jesse Davila
Damion Verhalen	Brittany Lowrey
Jennifer Nichols	Ryan Barnes
Ben Pluim	Randy Humphrey
Brian Waldera	Dylan Kahl
Jeremy Rademacher	Nate Walker
Dan Enger	Jason Lingle
Chris Pederson	Freddy Garcia
Barbara Waldinger	Tyler Hetrick
Tommy Foy	Leonard Webster
Michelle Schultz	Graham Rindo
Jamey Davis	Adem Hadji
Nolan Pickar	Nate Hoffmann

NON SWORN

Dennis Johnson	Community Service Officers
Cody Ennis	
Karen Stanek	Executive Assistant
Cindy Piper	Municipal Court Clerk
Todd Lukens	Evidence Officer
Nicole Vedvik	Court Officer



CITY COUNCIL

- ~ Paul T. Esser
Mayor
- ~ Emily Lindsey
District 1
- ~ Steve Stocker
District 1
- ~ Bill Connors
Council President
District 2
- ~ Theresa Stevens
District 2
- ~ Maureen Crombie
District 3
- ~ Mike Jacobs
District 3
- ~ Al Guyant
District 4
- ~ Mary Polenski
District 4

POLICE & FIRE COMMISSIONERS

- ~ Robert Canfield
President
- ~ Jeanne Gerg
Commissioner
- ~ Angelika Gulbis
Commissioner
- ~ Christina Outlay
Commissioner
- ~ Harold Rayford
Commissioner

DISPATCH

Sher Vike	Cassie Fleischman
Joe Hack	Eric Jeffers
Chris Dauck	Nichole Newton
Nick Hagen	Ashley Gullixson-Weisensel

RECORDS

Kristine Pittz	Tracy Heath
Anita Barman	Hayley Steele
Sarah Heling	Shari Baumann
	Kristin Goehring



Leonard Webster - Leonard attended University of Wisconsin Fond du Lac and University of Wisconsin Milwaukee. He attended the Law Enforcement Academy through Fox Valley Technical College. He previously served as a police officer with the Oneida Police Department where he was a field training officer, K9 handler, and a patrol sergeant.

Graham Rindo - Graham attended Waukesha County Technical College and University of Wisconsin Marathon County. He attended the Law Enforcement Academy through Madison College. Graham has volunteer experience, as well.

Adem Hadji - Adem attended Kishwaukee College and Northern Illinois University. He served as a volunteer with the DeKalb Police Department. Adem served as a community service officer with the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy College of Dupage. Adem has Slavik, Bosnian, and Albanian language skills.

Nate Hoffmann - Nate is from the City of Sun Prairie. He attended Madison College and Tennessee State University. He participated in NCAA Division I and NJCAA Division II Baseball. He played professional baseball in River City, Missouri. He has experience as a youth volunteer and baseball coach. Nate attended the Law Enforcement Academy through Madison College.



Colleen Hall was an administrative assistant in the records bureau. She began with the Sun Prairie Police Department in November of 2002. She was the lead person in the area of open records. She retired on January 3rd to enjoy more time with her family.



Officer Jon Lothe started his career with the Sun Prairie Police Department as a community service officer in April of 1999. He was hired as a police officer in July of 2000. During his tenure, he was a field training officer, EVOC instructor, and school / neighborhood officer. He retired on February 2nd.

The Sun Prairie Police Department has an annual awards program designed to recognize staff members for their dedicated service to the community and to our chosen profession.

The 2018 Officer of the Year was Officer Chris Pederson. This award is given to one officer for sustained service and teamwork. This award is given yearly to a sworn officer, exclusive of sworn supervisory and sworn administrative staff, who has consistently performed at a high level and who has excelled in teamwork to help the department achieve its mission during the course of the previous year. This officer's daily work reflects an awareness of departmental operating procedures, core values, and objectives.

The 2018 Employee of the Year was Records Administrative Assistant Sarah Heling. This award is given for sustained service and teamwork. This award is given yearly and all other departmental staff not included in the Officer of the Year Award are eligible. The same criterion apply as with the Officer of the Year Award.



The Chief's Award was presented to Sergeant Ray Thomson, Officer Brandon Reigstad, Officer Jason Lingle, Officer Nolan Pickar, Officer Tyler Hetrick, Community Service Officer Cody Ennis, and Dispatcher Stephanie Immel.

This award is given by the chief to any department member, sworn or non-sworn, for an outstanding contribution to the department. This award covers many service categories and is given solely at the discretion of the chief as often as he / she deems appropriate.

The 2018 Chief's Award recipients were honored for their role in the events surrounding the July 10th natural gas explosion in downtown Sun Prairie.

Lifesaving Commendations were given to Officer Brian Waldera, Officer Mackenzie Miller (two), Officer Tyler Hetrick, Officer Ben Plum, and Officer Adem Hadji. This award is given to any department member or citizen whose action directly contributed to the saving or significantly prolonging of human life.

Military Service Awards were presented to Officer Brittany Lowrey, Officer Nate Walker, Officer Freddy Garcia, and Officer Jason Lingle. This award is given by the chief of police to any sworn department member who is an honorably discharged veteran of military service or is currently serving as a member of the United States Armed Forces. This award is given once the officer has successfully completed the probationary period.



2018 Anniversaries

20 YEARS
Zach Bolling
Jamie Peterson
Damion Verhalen

15 YEARS
Jason Lefeber
Kristine Pittz

10 YEARS
Ryan Cox
Dan Enger
Brandon Lingle
Cathy Messenger
Chris Pederson
Ray Thomson

5 YEARS
Tommy Foy
Nick Hagen
Michelle Schultz



Detective Cathleen Messenger

Cathy was promoted from the patrol division to the rank of detective. She has experience as a patrol officer, field training officer, honor guard member, and a sergeant.

She has over 10 years of service with the City of Sun Prairie and received the Officer of the Year recognition in 2017 for exemplary service.

Cathy joins our investigative bureau, which includes five detectives and one detective sergeant.

In March of 2018, Detective Scot Bartnick graduated from the Leadership in Police Organizations (LPO) three-week course.

This training program is modeled after the concept of dispersed leadership (“every officer is a leader”) and delivers modern behavioral science concepts and theories uniquely tailored to the law enforcement environment.

This course was attended by police professionals representing departments from all over the Dane County area.

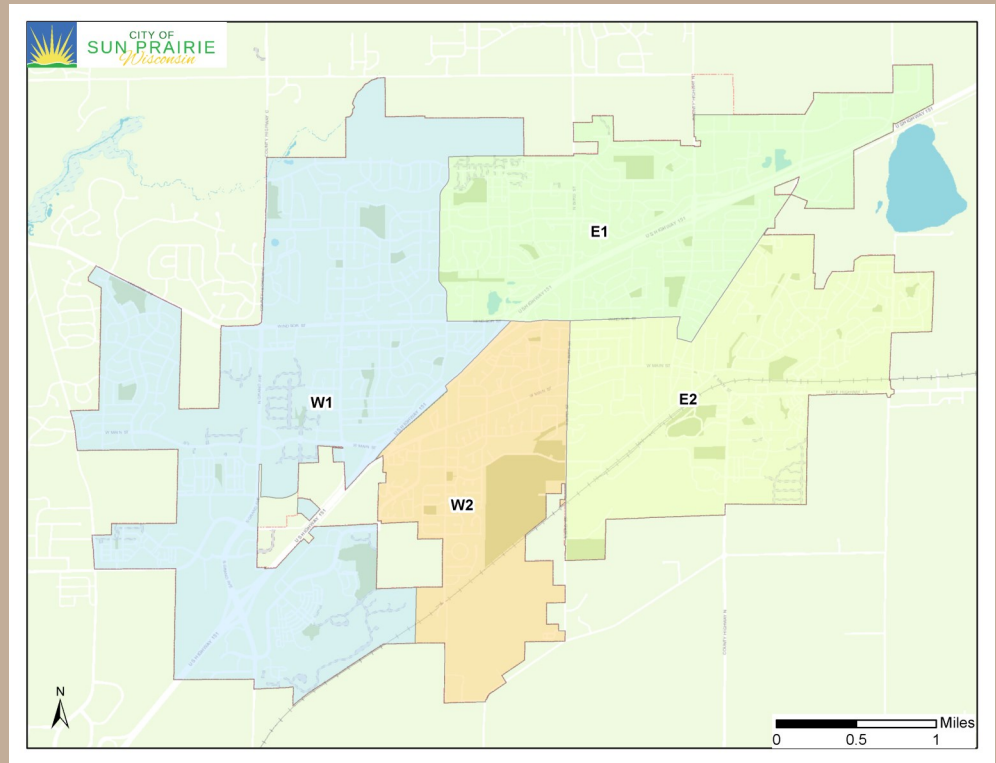
The Sun Prairie Police Department has identified a goal to send all of our officers to this course.



Police departments typically divide their municipalities into districts to aid patrol officers as they provide police services. The Sun Prairie Police Department is no exception; however, Sun Prairie Officers are assigned to one geographical district for an entire year. Sun Prairie has four policing districts.

This designated assignment in just one district for the entire year allows police officers the ability to build relationships with business owners and residents and dedicate their time for problem-solving strategies and community engagement opportunities. This is effective, as patrol officers become familiar with individual areas of our city, allowing them to uncover issues and to address them immediately. Criminal activity, ordinance violations, and general quality of life issues will be the focus of patrol officers as they work hard in their assigned district.

Each of the four police districts has a dedicated sergeant uncovering problems and leading a patrol team to identify solutions.



East 1 District
Sergeant Jason Lefeber
1st Shift Officer in Charge
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East 2 District
Sergeant Ray Thomson
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West 1 District
Sergeant Josh Hameister
2nd Shift Officer in Charge
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Sergeant Brenda Dahlen
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The District Liaison Officer Program consists of four officers assigned to a specific district to help patrol officers carry out the mission of proactive problem solving policing. The four district liaison officers (DLOs) are supervised by the district sergeant in their respective policing district.

The district liaison officers are assigned specific neighborhoods based on the history of service calls and amount of city resource dedication. DLOs take proactive measures to help reduce repeat calls for service at addresses within their assigned areas. They work closely with property owners to address ongoing issues that affect the quality of life for area residents. DLOs also assist the detective bureau on major case investigations and coordinate most patterned crime investigations in the community.

The officers assigned to the DLO program are tasked with creative problem solving and community engagement. Generally they will not be primary call takers; however, nothing will prevent the members from assisting with calls for service, should a DLO or supervisor deem it beneficial. Nothing will prevent the members from being sent to emergencies when required.

Each DLO is also part of the department's Mental Health Response Team and Gang Response Team. DLOs work closely with landlords and business owners to provide crime prevention. The DLOs also manage certain level drug investigations in their assigned district.

DLO Ben Pluim is assigned as the department's K9 officer with citywide support for K9 services. Towards the end of the year, he and his partner, K9 Lasko, shifted over to a support role primarily focused on assisting patrol operations, DLO operations, and detectives with drug interdiction, tracking, and other major cases.



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K9 Lasko



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The Special Events Team (SET) is made up of Sergeant Brandon Lingle, Sergeant Ryahn Smith, Officer Dan Enger, and Officer Mackenzie Miller.

In addition to our team members, we have six members join us from both the Middleton and Fitchburg Police Departments. This 16-member team assists patrol when situations require advanced tactical training and to assist with the execution of search warrants.

2018 was a very good year, as we executed several search warrants and were able to remove several illegal guns and drugs from the streets.

We are hoping in 2019 to get our team back up to full strength.



The detective bureau consists of Detectives Scot Bartnick, Frank Smith, David Hall, Mike Hartman, Cathy Messenger, and Detective Sergeant Ryan Cox.

Detectives generally work more complex and lengthy investigations such as crimes against children, sexual assaults, robberies, death investigations, and frauds.

Our detectives also assist with background investigations of potential hires for the police department.



During the course of 2018, the detective bureau investigated numerous high profile cases. Some of the more notable cases included:

High School gun incident - one arrest
Park Circle shooting - one arrest
Armed Robbery at Old National Bank - two arrests
Armed Robbery at Bank of Sun Prairie - no arrests
Armed Robbery at Stop N' Go - two arrests
July 10th Gas Explosion
Series of Auto Thefts - multiple arrests

During the course of 2018, detectives worked a variety of cases. The more time consuming investigations included:

Attempted Homicide: 1	Burglary: 20
Death Investigation: 8	Fraud: 9
Child Abuse: 2	Arson: 1
Sexual Assault (Child): 17	Robbery: 5
Sexual Assault (Adult): 6	Internet Crimes Against Children: 10
Bomb Threat: 1	





SPECIAL OLYMPICS



SAFETY WEEK



SPOOKTACULAR



C.H.U.M.S. YOUTH ACADEMY



CAMP TUESDAY



SPIRIT OF GIVING



FAMILY FUN NIGHT



RAKSHABANDHAN CELEBRATION



SAFETY TICKETS



MOUNDS DOG FEST

The Sun Prairie Police Department has been privileged to receive unwavering support from community members over the years. It was never more apparent just how lucky we are than in the days and weeks following the downtown gas explosion in July of 2018. The event impacted our entire community, particularly our first responders.

Your support gave us strength, even in the darkest hours. Thank you for being there for us, and know that we will always be there for you.



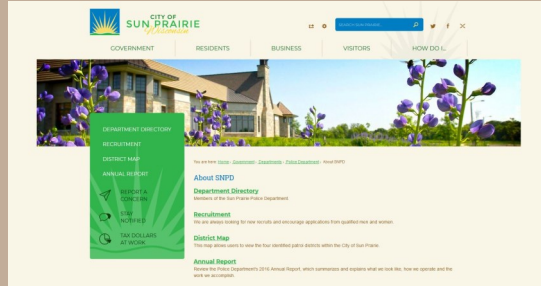
The Sun Prairie Police Department utilizes multiple digital resources as part of our community outreach strategy. Social media in particular allows us to deliver timely and relevant information to our community while potentially stopping the flow of misinformation. It is our continued mission to establish ourselves as the official source of information relating to incidents impacting our community and our department's activities.



Facebook allows us to keep citizens informed as well as offering a window into the more human side of police work and our department members. Like us on Facebook for the latest updates.



The Wisconsin Crime Alert Network (WCAN) is a statewide program that links law enforcement agencies with the business community and the public in a partnership to fight crime. WCAN allows law enforcement agencies to send out information rapidly whenever a crime or a suspect may affect citizens or their businesses. You can receive alerts via email, phone, text, or fax.



Community members are encouraged to visit our department's website. It features crime prevention tips, crime mapping, media releases, victim resources, and many other items of interest. There is also the ability to report a concern.



Nixle is a free service that keeps citizens up to date with relevant and timely alerts delivered via text, email, or web messages. Alerts may include weather advisories, road closures, and announcements of snow emergencies.



The Sun Prairie Police Department launched our official Twitter account in December of 2018. Twitter allows us to get the word out quickly in an emergency, whether it be a traffic crash, missing child, storm warning, etc.



Tip411 is an anonymous tip service allowing citizens to contact the department via email, text, or web message.



The LexisNexis public crime map, Community Crime Map, connects law enforcement with the community to reduce crime and improve public safety. Crime mapping helps the public get a better idea of the crime activity in their area so they can make informed decisions about how to stay safe.

The Sun Prairie Police Department has a team of officers who have been to crisis intervention training, a 40-hour course sponsored by NAMI and Journey Mental Health. The team currently has 13 officers assigned. The team consists of both school liaison officers, all four district liaison officers, seven patrol officers (assigned to each of the three shifts), and one sergeant.

The group's goal is to create connections with people who have mental illness and help them locate resources. The ultimate goal is to help people make the connections they need to enjoy a quality life. The police department and community benefit when people are stable; stable people generate fewer calls for service and are not a danger to themselves or others.

The City of Sun Prairie has seen a steady increase in calls involving people who have a mental health need. The department recognizes the complexity of these calls for service and the necessity for officers to understand the needs and to have the ability to make connections with other supports and resources in the field.

The department continues to add mental health officers each year to address community needs. Dispatchers and their supervisor have attended a two-day crisis intervention training specifically geared to help dispatchers talk to callers who are in crisis.

The department continues to participate in the One Mind Campaign by training staff to recognize a person who is having a mental health crisis and knowing how to get them help. This training not only applies to the community but to first responders. Mental health needs for our first responders is of great importance. Having staff with specialized training to address mental health concerns will continue to be a priority.



The police department has two officers assigned to work in the schools, teaming with school administration to ensure a safe learning environment for our students.

Officer Jack Wilkinson was assigned to provide coverage at the high school and Prairie Phoenix Academy for the first half of the year (covering the final semester of the 2017 / 2018 school year). Officer Lamont Crockett was selected for the role of police school liaison officer, taking over for Officer Wilkinson. Officer Crockett began his assignment in the fall semester of the 2018 / 2019 school year. Officer Tommy Foy continued his role providing coverage for Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School, Prairie View Middle School, and Patrick Marsh Middle School. We thank Officer Jack Wilkinson for his many years and contributions as a school liaison officer. The relationships he built and services he provided have made a long standing impact on so many lives in our community.



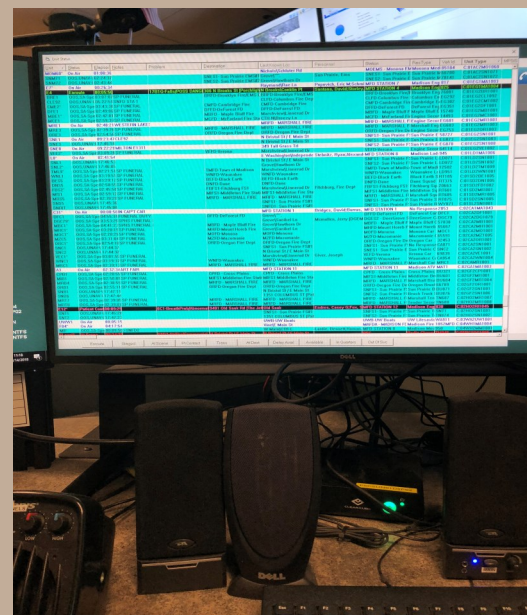
Both Officer Crockett and Officer Foy excel in the relationships they have with school staff and, most importantly, the students. They are present in the community for presentations and safety talks. They attend truancy board meetings and work with our municipal judge to keep kids in the schools. They are at school sporting events, school dances, school orientations, and a long list of additional engagements. They are assigned to participate in the Youth and Family Commission and be on the leadership team for the new schools. They attend specialized training designed for school officers each summer and, when not at training, are working the road with their patrol partners. Finally, they are actively involved in the planning and partnering with our schools for school safety related drills. They are also members of the Mental Health Response Team. Officer Crockett and Officer Foy are very visible in the community and are key to the success of our Police School Liaison Officer Program.



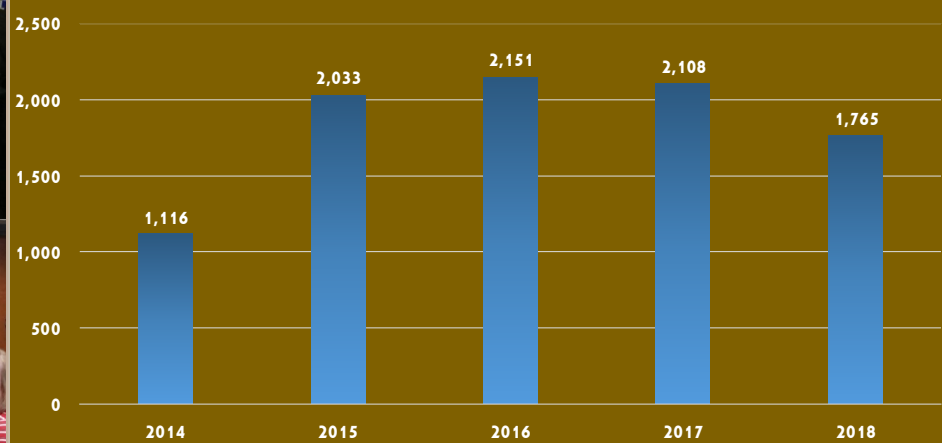
The Sun Prairie Police Department Communications Center processes all incoming non-emergency calls for service and dispatches police units accordingly. The communications center is equipped with the latest technology, including computer aided dispatch (CAD) workstations. These workstations are equipped with an extensive mapping system that provides the ability to plot the location of calls, view emergency personnel using an automated vehicle location utility, and provide navigation capabilities.

In addition, the communications center handles after hours walk-in customers, alarm monitoring, video camera monitoring, and provides a 24 / 7 city answering point.

The center is staffed 24 hours a day and consists of eight dispatchers and one communication center supervisor.



OPEN RECORD REQUESTS



The records bureau consists of 10 employees - the records supervisor / systems manager, seven administrative assistants (five full time, two part time), a municipal court clerk, and a court officer.

The bureau operates out of two locations - 300 E. Main St. and 2598 W. Main St. The lobby windows are open 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

Administrative assistants maintain all paperwork and official records for incidents handled by the Sun Prairie Police Department. They greet the public and answer general questions, as well as assist the communications center by initiating calls for service requests from citizens during business hours. They handle citation payments and process parking citation suspensions, respond to all open records requests, provide fingerprinting services, and prepare monthly reports.

The court officer is the liaison between the department and the Dane County District Attorney's Office. They are responsible for ensuring prompt attention is provided to all arrests made by the police department in order to provide timely court appearances for all defendants as provided by law. In addition, the court officer is responsible for conducting city background investigations, fulfilling requests for digital evidence, and managing the department's social media accounts. They also oversee the department's involvement with local restorative justice programs.

Property and evidence responsibilities are administered by our evidence officer and are overseen by our administrative lieutenant. The evidence officer manages all items that have been collected by, or turned over to, representatives of the Sun Prairie Police Department. Property is then properly packaged and stored at one of three department locations. Property is managed for court purposes, investigations, storage, disposal, and for return to rightful owners.

The evidence officer provides instruction for officers in the best practices for collecting, maintaining, and packaging of property. The evidence officer will assist with evidence collection in the field at the request of patrol and investigative staff. The evidence officer is certified in Cellebrite technology in order to obtain evidence from electronic devices.

The Sun Prairie Police Department participates with Wisconsin Surplus Online Auctioning in order to dispose of unclaimed property items and generate revenue for the city. The Sun Prairie Police Department also partners with DreamBikes, a non profit organization that takes unclaimed bicycles and assists young adults in teaching them how to fix bikes and job training.



The Sun Prairie Police Department has designated specially trained instructors that are tasked with the professional development of our staff. The disciplines of instruction include firearms training, use of force, vehicle contact skills, and emergency vehicle operations. Department instructors deliver training during quarterly in-service sessions that are specifically designed to enhance targeted skill sets. These sessions and associated training plans are developed utilizing the professional standards for law enforcement and are often based on state and national lessons in the field.

Professional development is critical for continued department success. The profession requires exposure to specialty training that must be sought from outside resources. All staff members are given additional opportunities to attend training outside of the department to reach this objective. Specialty instructors are also often brought in to the department to attend our in-service sessions to deliver training.

The 2018 Sun Prairie Police Honor Guard consisted of Sergeant Brandon Lingle, Officer Amy Bolling, Detective Cathy Messenger, Officer Nolan Pickar, Officer Mackenzie Miller, Officer Michelle Schultz, and Officer Jamey Davis. The Sun Prairie Honor Guard is proud to represent our police department and the City of Sun Prairie at both local and statewide events. In May, the honor guard was invited to stand shoulder to shoulder with their peers on the steps of the Wisconsin State Capitol. They paid their respects to officers who lost their lives while serving the people of Wisconsin.

The Sun Prairie Police Honor Guard also participated in several community events throughout 2018. The unit was in attendance when Jimmy the Groundhog predicted a late spring. They had an opportunity to honor and congratulate the accomplishments of their peers at the Sun Prairie Police Department's awards banquet, and local veterans in the Memorial Day parade. In October, they participated in a multi-jurisdictional color guard at the Brewers stadium honoring fallen officers. They rounded out the year by attending and presenting colors at the Citizens Academy graduation in November. The team was able to attend the Police Academy graduation for some of our department's newest members.



This year the honor guard had two members go through training and now are officially full members.

We attended the funerals for former Sun Prairie Police Sergeant Robert Thomas, Milwaukee Officers Charles Irvine and Michael Michalski, and Town of Madison Officer Jessica Fischer. We were also honored to be asked to provide services for Fire Captain Cory Barr's funeral.

Sergeant Josh Hameister stepped down from the honor guard; we hope to get back up to full staff soon.

This coming year we are looking forward to getting a few more members and to having a great year representing the Sun Prairie Police Department.

The Sun Prairie Police Honor Guard is a proud member of the Wisconsin Honor Guard Association.



Emergency Management

The emergency management team for the city is comprised of a director (police chief) and three coordinators (fire chief, emergency medical services chief, and assistant police chief). The team is supported by various city departments and divisions, including engineering, public works, wastewater, utilities, community development, building inspection, and administrative services. Together, this group is charged with preparing the community for emergency situations, including weather related disasters.

The City of Sun Prairie maintains an Emergency Operations Center (EOC). The EOC is located adjacent to the communications center at city hall. The purpose of the EOC is to provide a suitable area for representatives of emergency services and support agencies to help coordinate resources for in-field command.



Traffic Safety

Top 5 Reportable Crash Locations in 2018

S. Grand Ave. @ W. Main St. roundabout - 18

U.S.H. 151 @ Windsor St. - 13

Reiner Rd. / S. Grand Ave. @ U.S.H. 151 roadway / ramp - 17

U.S.H. 151 @ W. Main St. - 11

W. Main St. @ N. Thompson Rd. roundabout - 14

Sergeant Jason Lefeber oversaw the police department's Traffic Safety Program in 2018.

The department receives numerous traffic complaints from concerned citizens each year. Some of those traffic complaints involve complaints against a specific motorist in real time. Others are complaints involving a specific area in the city where a specific traffic violation is a concern (e.g. speeding or sign violations). Those are the types of complaints where the department uses a mid to long-term plan to address the concern. Those plans include conducting a speed survey, working with other departments for a possible solution (e.g. working with the public works department to implement traffic signs / lights), and dedicating patrol resources to monitor and enforce a problem area over a period of time.

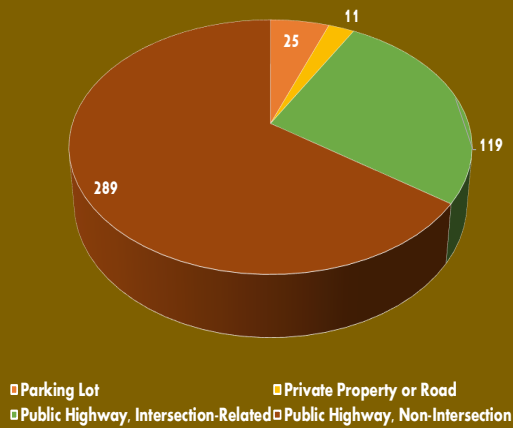
In 2018, the department received 793 total traffic complaints from citizens. The vast majority of these were "real time" complaints of a specific vehicle or vehicles which were addressed at that time by an officer. Of those complaints, 34 were given further analysis through the traffic program because they were larger scale / pervasive traffic concerns. As a result of the analysis of those reported complaints, officers conducted special directed patrols to the concerning area on 21 different occasions at various locations throughout the city. These directed patrols ranged in duration from a few days to as long as a month; however, most were one to two weeks in duration.

Additionally, in partnership with the public works department, this program analyzed reported issues of speeding 24 times over the course of the year. These were done by utilizing the three JAMAR traffic recording devices which both departments share. These devices are generally deployed for three to seven days, depending on the nature of the data trying to be obtained as a result of the concerns which were raised. The department's speed trailer was often utilized, as well. It provides a visual indication of speed, which can be helpful, as the visual stimulus can reinforce proper driving behavior.

In 2018, the Sun Prairie Police Department investigated 444 reportable crashes. This is a decrease of 13% from 2017, which saw 507 reportable crashes; but it is still higher than 2016 and 2015 which had 424 and 425 respectively. A further look into those reportable crashes shows that they involved a total of 851 vehicles; 1,308 people; 112 injuries; and 4 pedestrians. Of the top five crash locations in 2018, three involve the intersections or the areas near them for U.S. Highway 151. The other two involved roundabouts on W. Main St. These roadways are also among the most traveled roadways in the city.

It is clear from the number of complaints and informal conversations had with citizens that traffic safety is an important concern with the members of the Sun Prairie community. The police department agrees with those concerns and is dedicated, through the department's Traffic Safety Program, to address those concerns.

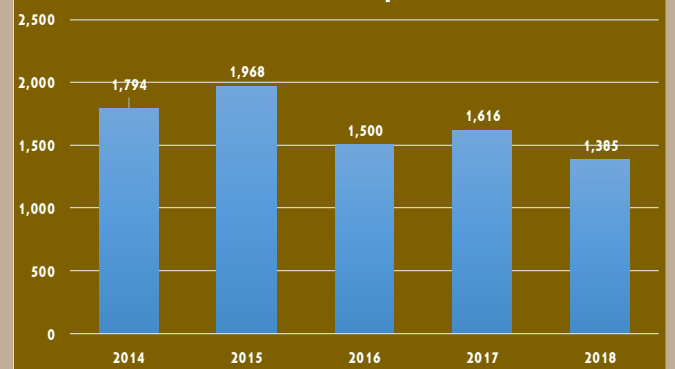
LOCATIONS OF CRASHES



TOP MANNERS OF COLLISION

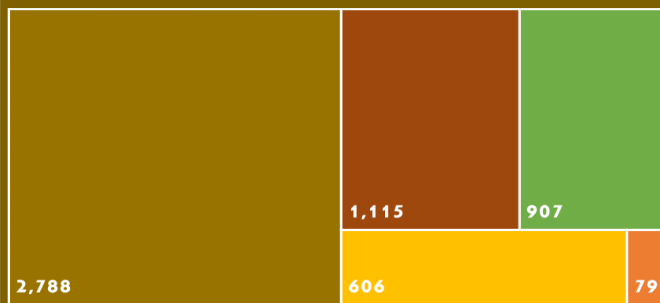
	2017	2018
Rear End	148	104
Angle	111	128
No Collision with Motor Vehicle	116	116
Sideswipe, Same Direction	75	63
Sideswipe, Opposite Direction	10	7
Rear to Rear	5	5
Unknown	21	7

Med Drop

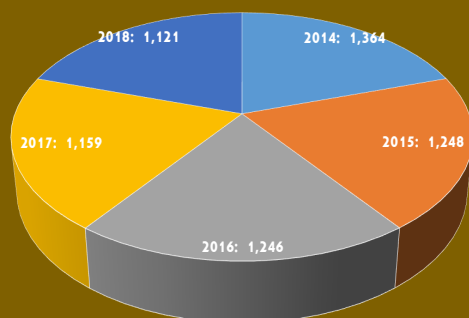


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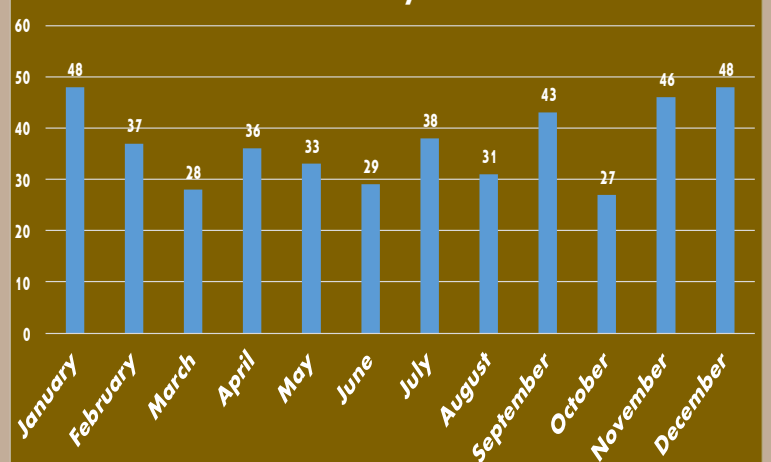
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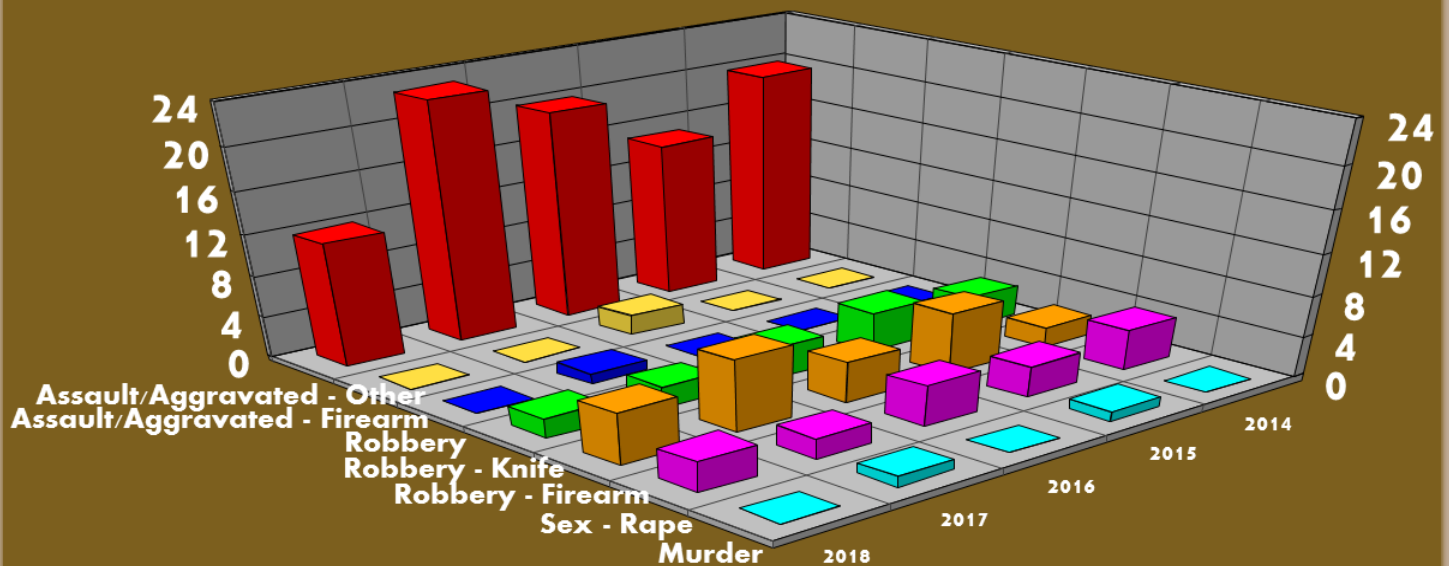
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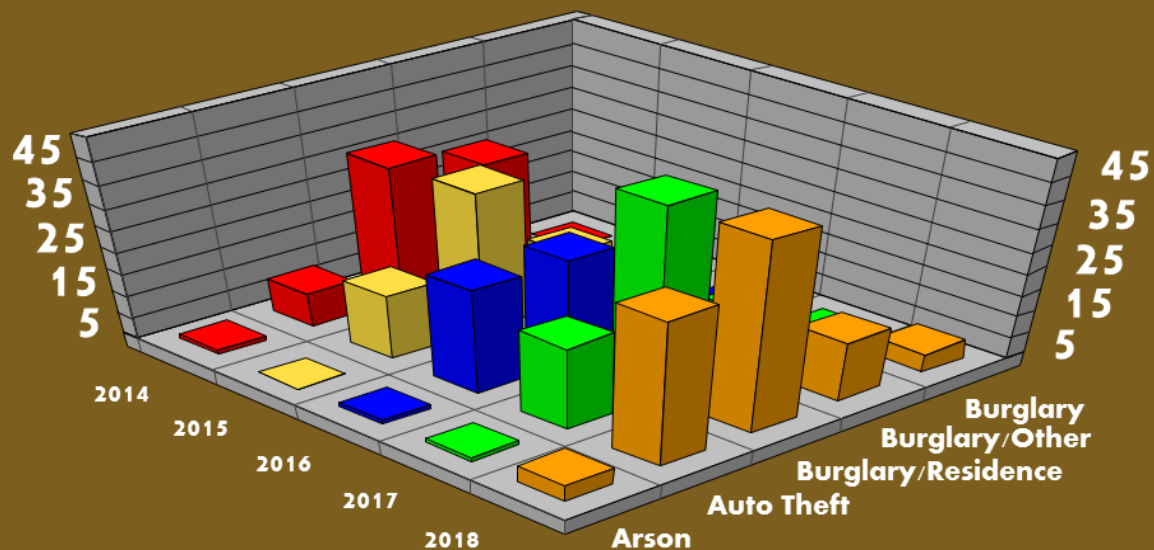
Accidents by Month



Crimes Against People



Crimes Against Property

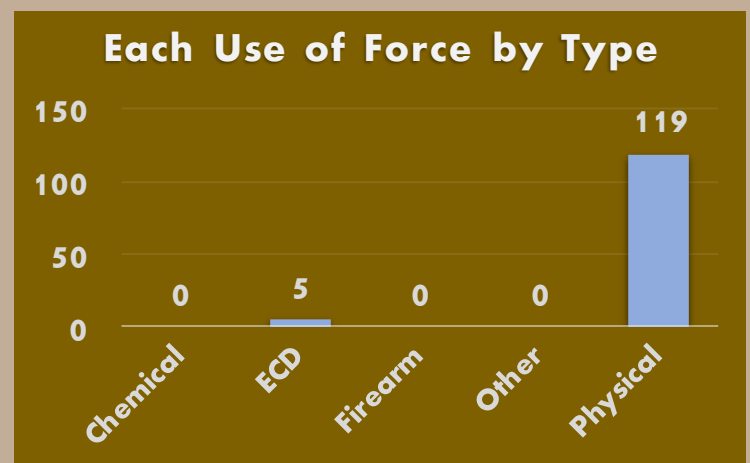
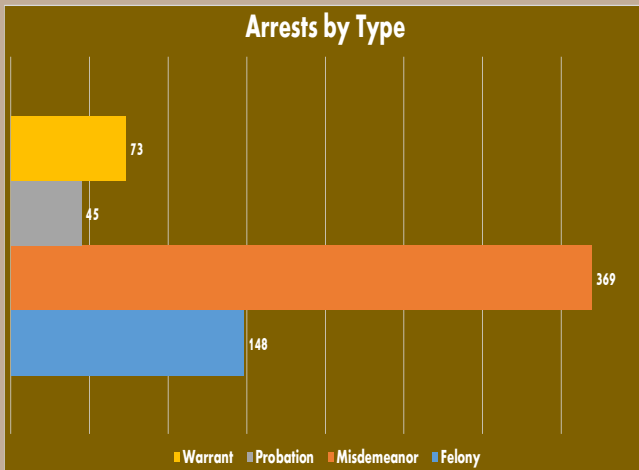


Department Complaint Summary

Non-Minor Complaints:
Reports of conduct or patterns of conduct that, if proven true, would likely result in a letter of reprimand or more serious discipline.

Complaint Type	Finding	Disposition
Non-Minor (2)	Not Sustained	No Action
Non-Minor (2)	Sustained	Counseling
Non-Minor (2)	Sustained	Letter of Reprimand
Minor (2)	Not Sustained	No Action

Minor Complaints:
Reports of conduct or patterns of conduct that, if proven true, would likely result in action less than a letter of reprimand.



In 2018, the Sun Prairie Police Department was involved in 65 incidents where force or a show of force was used for multiple reasons on subjects. These incidents included anything from physical force to the show of force with a firearm.

Within these incidents, 69 subjects were involved along with a total of 144 times in which officers used force or conducted a show of force on these subjects. A number of officers used force or conducted a show of force during one or more of the 65 use of force incidents throughout the year. These incidents resulted in 33 incidents where one or more adults were arrested, 12 incidents where one or more juveniles were taken into custody, and 14 where subjects were taken into protective custody. There were six incidents in which officers used force or conducted a show of force where subjects were neither arrested nor taken into custody.

The most common type of force used on subjects was that of physical restraint. Subjects were restrained by officers 199 times over the course of the year. Officers showed force using tasers, less lethal shotguns, and / or firearms a total of 64 times in 2018. No officer discharged their firearm in an incident towards any person. Officers discharged firearms in four incidents involving sick or injured animals that needed to be euthanized.

The year 2018 resulted in 23,385 cases created. Of those, 65 cases resulted in a use of force or show of force towards a person or persons. Based on these numbers, officers used force or conducted a show of force .0028 percent of all law enforcement case numbers created.

*Please note a single incident can have multiple shows of force by an officer or multiple officers.

