



2023 ANNUAL REPORT

Brimfield Police Department

Chief Roy Mosley III, CLEE

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INTRODUCTION

I am pleased to provide the Brimfield Police Department 2023 Annual Report to our Board of Trustees.

Following is a brief summary of some agency highlights and projects completed over the past year:

- ✓ BPD was awarded a \$52,000 First Responder Retention Grant through the Ohio Emergency Management Agency.
- ✓ Replaced two marked cruisers to aid in effectively maintaining the vehicle fleet rotation and keeping vehicle maintenance costs down.
- ✓ Hired three Police Officers during the year to fill vacancies due to retirement-separation. Hired a new Admin. Asst.-Records Clerk to fill a vacancy due to a retirement.
- ✓ BPD was awarded a \$1,500 Walmart Community Grant for our K-9 Program.
- ✓ BPD was awarded a \$2,220 grant from the Ohio Attorney General's Office for Drug Abuse Prevention and a \$9,189 grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) Body Worn Camera Grant Program.
- ✓ Officer Robert Putnam was selected as a new School Resource Officer (SRO) and completed certification training through the Ohio School Resource Officer Association.
- ✓ BPD instructed the *D.A.R.E.* Program at Suffield Elementary School for the second year in a row.
- ✓ Negotiated a new 3-year Collective Bargaining Agreement for 2023-2025 for Patrol Officers & Sergeants.
- ✓ Purchased a new UAV-Drone unit for use by the Brimfield Police Department and Brimfield Township as authorized by the Board of Trustees.
- ✓ All BPD Officers completed a minimum of 24 hours of Continuing Professional Training (CPT) in 2023.
- ✓ Chief Mosley was appointed by the Portage County Board of Commissioners to serve on the Portage County Mental Health & Recovery Board.

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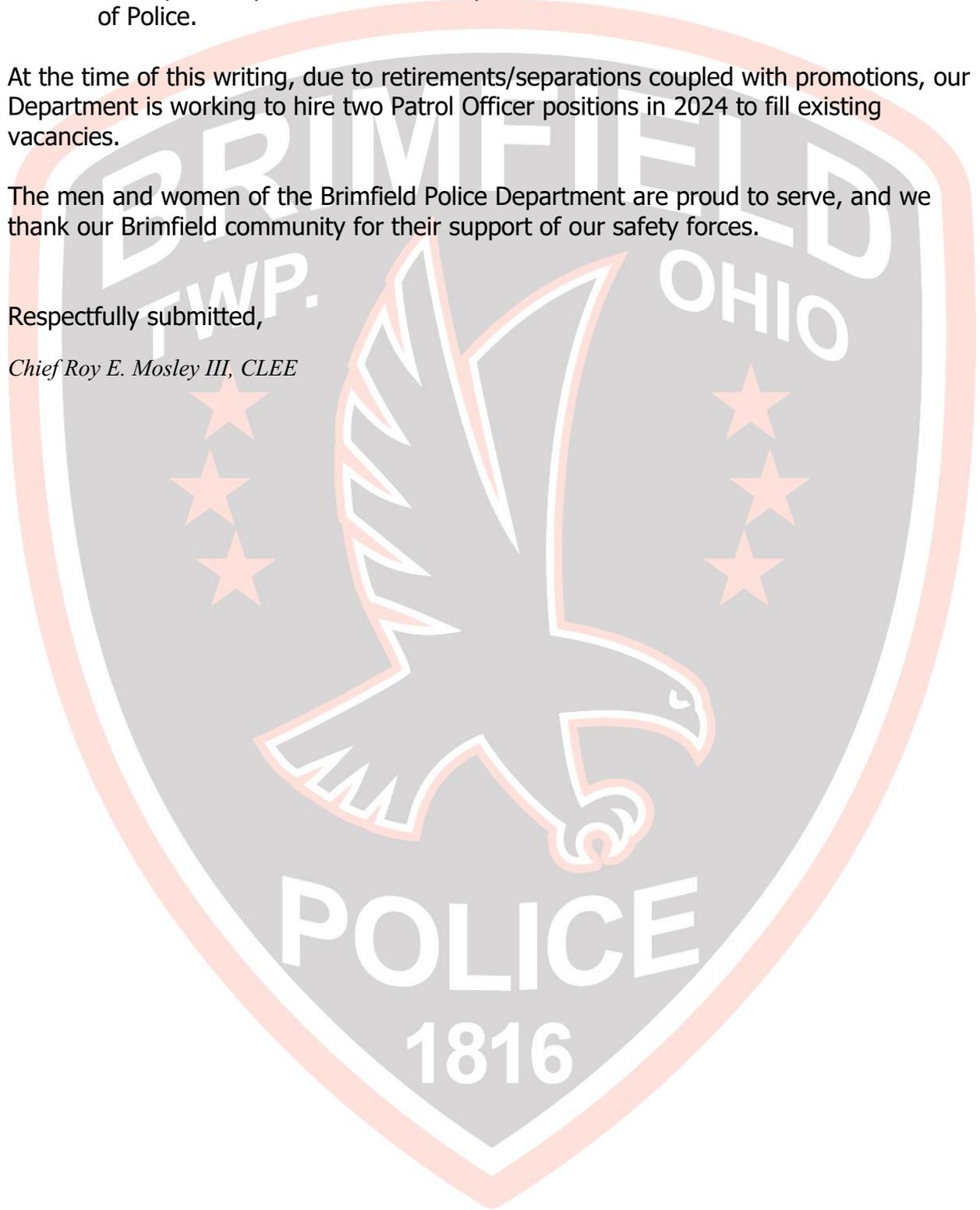
- ✓ Captain Christopher Adkins was appointed to the Statewide Communications Interoperability Committee as a representative of the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police.

At the time of this writing, due to retirements/separations coupled with promotions, our Department is working to hire two Patrol Officer positions in 2024 to fill existing vacancies.

The men and women of the Brimfield Police Department are proud to serve, and we thank our Brimfield community for their support of our safety forces.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Roy E. Mosley III, CLEE



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BPD MISSION STATEMENT & VALUES

OUR MISSION

The Brimfield Police Department is committed to protecting life and property while engaging our community to promote positive community relations and solve problems.

OUR VALUES

COURAGE-

The Brimfield Police Department adheres to the quality of Courage. Courage is defined as the state or quality of mind or spirit that enables one to face danger or fear with self-possession, confidence, and resolution; bravery. The department and officers will strive to continuously set an example of being determined in the pursuit of service and justice.

INTEGRITY -

The Department and its personnel can only succeed in our mission if we maintain our integrity. The Department and its employees must hold themselves to a standard that is beyond reproach.

COMMUNITY -

The cornerstone of our Department is the relationship we have with the community we serve. Our ability to be effective in carrying out our mission is based on the credibility we have with the community. Understanding that we are a part of, and not separate from the community is critical. Although we are granted responsibility for policing our community, we cannot do it without the approval and cooperation of the public. The Department strives to enhance this relationship:

- * By striving for each police contact to be carried out courteously and with respect.
- * By being receptive to feedback and emphasizing communication with our community.
- * By being active in community relations events.

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THE OHIO COLLABORATIVE

The *Ohio Collaborative Police-Community Advisory Board*, a 12-person panel of law enforcement experts and community leaders from throughout the state, established state standards – for the first time in Ohio’s history – in 2015. Additional standards have been established each year addressing specific policy areas to help ensure agency quality and instill a greater confidence with the public. The Collaborative works closely with partners, including the community and law enforcement agencies, to implement the new standards. All law enforcement agencies are expected to meet or exceed these new standards as they develop policies and procedures to meet these new expectations. The Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS), a division of the Ohio Department of Public Safety, has communicated these new standards to Ohio’s nearly 960 law enforcement agencies. OCJS also publishes a report listing which state and local law enforcement agencies have adopted and fully implemented the standards.

The Brimfield Police Department completed an assessment with OCJS in 2020. Each year thereafter our Department has been required to submit certification documentation for review, and has been awarded certification through the *Ohio Collaborative* for meeting all applicable statewide policy standards.



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ORGANIZATION & PERSONNEL

New Hires

| | |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| Officer Christopher McKenzie | April 16, 2023 |
| Officer Zachary Sefcik | April 16, 2023 |
| Admin. Asst. Rachele Stacel | May 29, 2023 |
| Officer Cody Dumont | November 1, 2023 |

Retirements-Resignations

| | |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Officer Steve Gyoker | July 30, 2023 |
| Officer Brett Dinkelman | September 16, 2023 |
| Sgt. Matthew McCarty | September 19, 2023 |
| Admin. Asst. Patti Harjung | October 1, 2023 |
| Officer Zachary Sefcik | December 29, 2023 |

Current Department Employees

The list below reflects active Department personnel as of January 1, 2024

Police Chief

Roy Mosley III

Captain

Capt. Christopher Adkins

Sergeants

Sgt. David Knarr

Sgt. John Pettit

Patrol Officers

Officer Russell Diehl
Officer Matthew Kennedy
Officer Michael Rhodes
Officer James Carrozzi
Officer Michael Rhodes
Officer Jerry Dumont
Officer Jake Rapp
Officer Shannon Stagnolia
Officer Bryan Nieman
Officer Austin Schreckengost
Officer Garrett Fleming
Officer Christopher McKenzie
Officer Cody Dumont

Admin. Assistants

Rachele Stacel
Cassandra Moles
Diana Lys

Investigations

Det. Kelly Ryba

Reserve

Beth Crano

School Resource Officer (SRO)

Officer Robert Putnam

Chaplain

Justin Couch

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ACTIVITY & CALLS FOR SERVICE

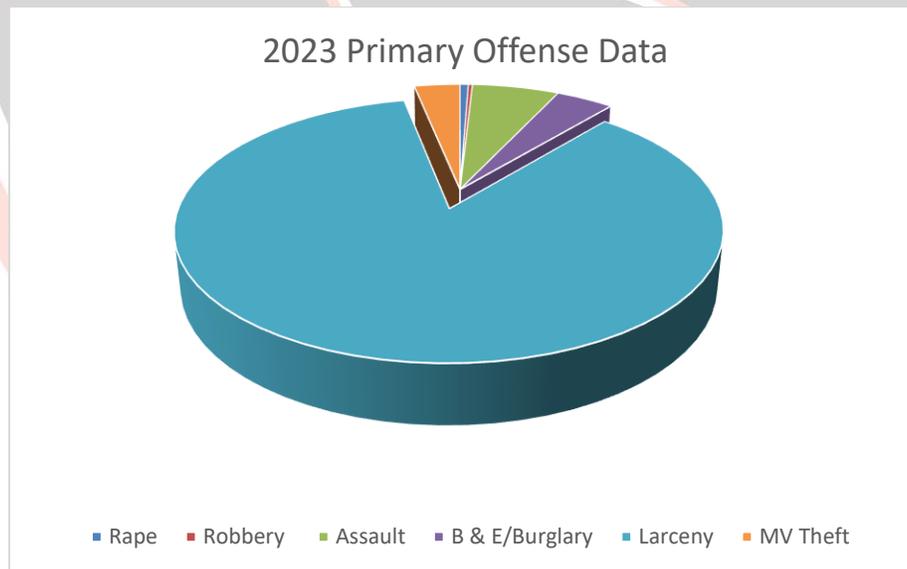
SECTION 1: Primary Offense Data

Data reported as part of Ohio Incident Based Reporting System (OIBRS)**

Below is a list noting reports classified as follows:

| <u>Offenses 2022**</u> | | <u>Offenses 2023**</u> | | <u>Change</u> |
|------------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|---------------|
| Homicide | 0 | Homicide | 0 | -- |
| Rape | 1 | Rape | 2 | +1 |
| Robbery | 2 | Robbery | 1 | -1 |
| Agg Assault | 5 | Agg. Assault | 10 | +5 |
| B & E / Burglary | 9 | B & E/ Burglary | 10 | +1 |
| Arson | 0 | Arson | 0 | -- |
| Larceny | 223 | Larceny | 226 | +3 |
| MV Theft | 10 | MV Theft | 10 | -- |
| <hr/> | | <hr/> | | |
| TOTAL: | 250 | TOTAL: | 259 | +9 |

The vast majority of Larceny offenses are shoplifting calls reported by retailers located in *The Cascades of Brimfield* and *The Marketplace at Maplecrest*.



SECTION II:

BRIMFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

The following list shows the classification of other types of initial dispatched calls for service (excluding Traffic and Primary Offenses) that were handled by the members of the Brimfield Police Department in 2023.

| 2022 | # | 2023 | # | Change |
|-------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|----------|---------------|
| Criminal Damaging | 28 | Criminal Damaging | 29 | +1 |
| Criminal Mischief | 0 | Criminal Mischief | 2 | +2 |
| Criminal Trespassing | 29 | Criminal Trespassing | 19 | -10 |
| Disorderly Conduct | 215 | Disorderly Conduct | 194 | -21 |
| Fraud | 74 | Fraud | 62 | -12 |
| Domestic Related | 98 | Domestic Related | 128 | +30 |
| Menacing | 7 | Menacing | 15 | +8 |
| Telecommunications Harassment | 32 | Telecommunications Harassment | 29 | -3 |
| Warrant Service | 104 | Warrant Service | 102 | -2 |
| Unauthorized Use of MV | 5 | Unauthorized Use of MV | 0 | -5 |
| 911 Hang-Up | 63 | 911 Hang-Up | 68 | +5 |
| Abandoned Property | 5 | Abandoned Property | 8 | +3 |
| Accidental Alarm | 14 | Accidental Alarm | 8 | -6 |
| Alarms – Fire | 2 | Alarms – Fire | 5 | +3 |
| Alarms – Intrusion | 290 | Alarms - Intrusion | 319 | +29 |
| Alarms – Panic | 23 | Alarms - Panic | 27 | +4 |
| Animal Related Complaints | 135 | Animal Related Complaints | 131 | -4 |
| Assist Fire Department | 83 | Assist Fire Department | 121 | +38 |
| Assist - Motorist | 203 | Assist Motorist | 212 | +8 |
| Assist - Other | 217 | Assist Other | 333 | +116 |
| Assist - Rescue | 69 | Assist Rescue | 18 | -51 |
| Auto Repossessed | 22 | Auto Repossessed | 48 | +26 |
| Child Abuse | 3 | Child Abuse | 1 | -2 |
| Civil Dispute | 48 | Civil Dispute | 46 | -2 |
| Community Policing Activity | 969 | Community Policing Activity | 1050 | +81 |
| Debris in Roadway | 74 | Debris in Roadway | 153 | +79 |
| Disabled Vehicle | 201 | Disabled Vehicle | 147 | -54 |
| Custody Dispute | 14 | Custody Dispute | 20 | +6 |
| Drug Related | 16 | Drug Related | 11 | -5 |
| Escort | 11 | Escort | 10 | -1 |
| Fireworks | 13 | Fireworks | 7 | -6 |
| Follow Up | 66 | Follow Up | 58 | -8 |
| Forgery | 0 | Forgery | 0 | -- |
| Found Property | 45 | Found Property | 36 | -9 |
| Harassment | 29 | Harassment | 31 | +2 |
| Informational | 98 | Informational | 334 | +236 |

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| | | | | |
|-----------------------------|------|-----------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Juvenile Related | 47 | Juvenile Related | 72 | +2 |
| K-9/K-9 Training | 51 | K-9/K-9 Training | 54 | +3 |
| Message Delivery | 15 | Message Delivery | 12 | -3 |
| Metro SWAT | 11 | Metro SWAT | 13 | +2 |
| Miscellaneous | 365 | Miscellaneous | 235 | -130 |
| Missing Person/Juvenile | 10 | Missing Person/Juvenile | 12 | +2 |
| Mutual Aid/Mutual Aid Given | 221 | Mutual Aid/Mutual Aid Given | 126 | -95 |
| Noise Complaint | 2 | Noise Complaint | 4 | +2 |
| Open Building/Window | 70 | Open Building/Window | 46 | -24 |
| Parking Violation | 80 | Parking Violation | 54 | -26 |
| Premises Check | 5314 | Premises Check | 6871 | +1557 |
| Protection Order | 6 | Protection Order | 10 | +4 |
| Psychiatric Situation | 35 | Psychiatric Situation | 22 | -13 |
| Record Check | 5 | Record Check | 1 | -4 |
| Ridership Program | 18 | Ridership Program | 9 | -9 |
| Sex Offense | 13 | Sex Offense | 10 | -3 |
| Shoplifter | 5 | Shoplifter | 6 | +1 |
| Shots Fired | 16 | Shots Fired | 26 | +10 |
| Special Detail | 145 | Special Detail | 120 | -25 |
| Suicide-Suicide Threat | 21 | Suicide-Suicide Threat | 25 | +4 |
| Suspicious Circumstances | 401 | Suspicious Circumstances | 425 | +24 |
| Suspicious Event | 6 | Suspicious Event | 3 | -3 |
| Suspicious Vehicle | 147 | Suspicious Vehicle | 164 | +17 |
| Suspicious Person | 71 | Suspicious Person | 59 | -12 |
| Traffic Related Complaint | 204 | Traffic Related Complaint | 214 | +10 |
| Unwanted Subject | 21 | Unwanted Subject | 31 | +10 |
| Vacation House Watch | 1507 | Vacation House Watch | 1537 | +30 |
| Welfare Check | 269 | Welfare Check | 234 | -35 |
| TOTAL CFS | | 14,586 | TOTAL CFS | 16,234 +1,648 |

SECTION III:

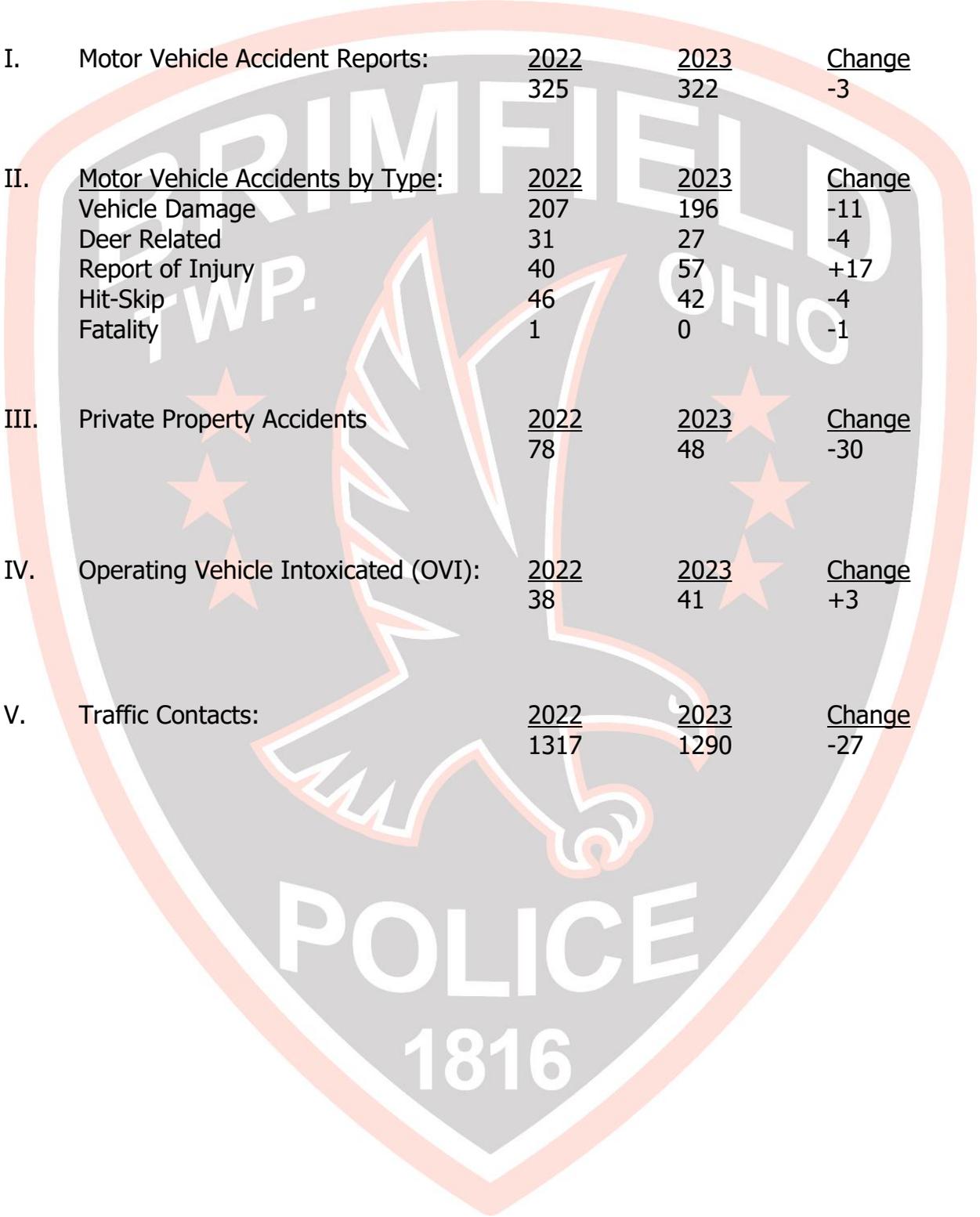
Arrests, criminal summons issued, and arrest warrants served:

| <u>2022</u> | <u>2023</u> | <u>Change</u> |
|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| 404 | 474 | +70 |

The above numbers **do not** account for BPD reports referred to the Portage County Prosecutor's Office for Grand Jury felony indictments. When charges are issued through Portage County Grand Jury indictments for Brimfield PD incidents, they are issued in the form of indictment warrants which are processed and served by the Portage County Sheriff's Office.

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TRAFFIC ACTIVITY



| | | | | |
|------|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| I. | Motor Vehicle Accident Reports: | <u>2022</u> | <u>2023</u> | <u>Change</u> |
| | | 325 | 322 | -3 |
| II. | Motor Vehicle Accidents by Type: | <u>2022</u> | <u>2023</u> | <u>Change</u> |
| | Vehicle Damage | 207 | 196 | -11 |
| | Deer Related | 31 | 27 | -4 |
| | Report of Injury | 40 | 57 | +17 |
| | Hit-Skip | 46 | 42 | -4 |
| | Fatality | 1 | 0 | -1 |
| III. | Private Property Accidents | <u>2022</u> | <u>2023</u> | <u>Change</u> |
| | | 78 | 48 | -30 |
| IV. | Operating Vehicle Intoxicated (OVI): | <u>2022</u> | <u>2023</u> | <u>Change</u> |
| | | 38 | 41 | +3 |
| V. | Traffic Contacts: | <u>2022</u> | <u>2023</u> | <u>Change</u> |
| | | 1317 | 1290 | -27 |

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PATROL DIVISION

Patrol is the main component of the Brimfield Police Department and is the "***backbone***" of our agency. Our primary responsibility is responding to calls for service from our community across nearly 22 square miles. These can range from neighborhood disputes, domestic violence incidents and traffic accidents, to thefts, burglaries and other criminal investigations or civil matters.

As the first responder to criminal complaints, patrol officers are responsible for seeing to the needs of anyone involved, interviewing witnesses, recognizing and preserving potential evidence, determining whether, in fact, a crime has been committed, and identifying and ultimately arresting those responsible. Our patrol officers are not merely responders. Instead, our patrol officers often must often handle the follow-up investigation of reported incidents assigned to them as well.

Officers of the Patrol Division also provide proactive services such as directed patrols, conducting business and property checks, and vacation house checks to further enhance our department's interaction and partnership with our community.

Officers assigned to the Patrol Division are divided into three shifts. Three squads working 8-hour shifts (7am-3pm, 3pm-11pm, and 11pm-7am) are responsible for 24/7 patrol coverage for our community. Each shift is supervised by a Sergeant.

Full-Time Patrol Officers

Day Shift Team

Officer Steve Gyoker
Officer Robert Putnam
Officer Matthew Kennedy
Officer Christopher McKenzie
Officer Jerry Dumont

Afternoon Shift Team

Officer Russ Diehl
Officer Mike Rhodes
Officer Austin Schreckengost
Officer Bryan Nieman

Midnight Shift Team

Officer James Carrozzi
Officer Jake Rapp
Officer Shannon Stagnolia
Officer Garrett Fleming
Officer Cody Dumont

Sergeants

Sgt. David Knarr (Afternoon Shift)
Sgt. Matthew McCarty (Day Shift)
Sgt. John Pettit (Midnight Shift)

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AUXILIARY

The Brimfield Police Department utilizes the resources of a volunteer Auxiliary component. These non-sworn, un-armed Auxiliary personnel wear a uniform that distinguishes them from sworn police officers. Auxiliaries are an asset to the Brimfield Police Department and to the Brimfield community when utilized to assist our sworn officers.

Our Auxiliaries provided traffic control assistance during community engagement events in 2023 and they often assist with various community relations functions.

2023 BPD Auxiliary Staff

John Klein
Denny Linton



Denny Linton



John Klein

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SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO)

The School Resource Officer (SRO) Program is a collaborative effort between the Brimfield Police Department and the Field Local School District. The SRO is (primarily) assigned to Field High School; however, he visits all school buildings and assists elsewhere as needed. Operationally, the SRO reports to the day shift Patrol Sergeant.

The School Resource Officer Program has two main components. The first is designed to enhance the relationship between the school district, its students, teachers/administrators and the Brimfield Police Department. The daily communication between police and school officials prevents many problems and mitigates existing problems for both the school and the police. The second component is to provide training and instruction in the schools as needed, and informal counseling for our students, staff and parents.

School security/action plans have been completed for the schools in Brimfield, and the SRO participates in that process in conjunction with the Field school staff/administration. In addition, vulnerability/building safety assessments have been completed and filed with the Ohio Attorney General's Office for each of our school buildings.

With the retirement of Officer Brett Dinkelman, Officer Robert Putnam was assigned as the new School Resource Officer in Fall of 2023.



Officer Brett Dinkelman



Officer Robert Putnam

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D.A.R.E. PROGRAM

The Brimfield Police Department has conducted the *D.A.R.E.* (Drug Abuse Resistance and Education) Program in the Field School District for several years, dating back to the early 1990's. The Brimfield PD program is one of the longest running *D.A.R.E.* programs in the area. Since inception, approximately 3,700 Field School District students have gone through the Brimfield Police Department's *D.A.R.E.* Program, which is presently taught to 5th grade students.

This program is approximately nine (9) weeks long. A trained officer visits assigned classes at Brimfield Elementary School each week and teaches a prescribed course curriculum regarding topics such as drugs, alcohol and peer pressure.

In 2023 our Department provided the *D.A.R.E.* program at Brimfield Elementary School and at Suffield Elementary School.



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K-9 UNIT



K-9 Recon became state certified in 2018 and currently works alongside Sgt. Knarr on shift.

As part of the assignment as a K-9 Handler, regular scheduled training takes place each week as part of the *Buckeye Area Regional K-9 (B.A.R.K.)* training group, to keep both the officer and the animal proficient in several areas. Additionally, our K-9 Team attends the NAPWDA Training Conference each year.

A special thank-you to Salon De Poch located in Stow for their generous donation of grooming for our K-9 Unit.

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K-9 UNIT



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METRO SWAT

This highly trained, professional multi-jurisdictional special weapons team responds to incidents within the jurisdictions of participating communities that require special weapons and tactics to deal with riotous activity, large crowd control, barricaded suspects, execution of high-risk warrants, arrest of dangerous felons, the rescue of hostages or endangered persons, and other functions as appropriate. This regional team is comprised of members from twenty-three (23) Portage County & Summit County law enforcement agencies. The Metro SWAT governing Board of Directors is made up of police chiefs from participating agencies.

There are specialized units within the organization: Negotiators, precision rifle, explosive entry, and medical. Each tactical team member trains 22 days per year which is set in advance. To date, there are 56 team members.

- ✓ 27 Tactical officers
- ✓ 4 UAV-Drone
- ✓ 11 Medics
- ✓ 8 Negotiators
- ✓ 2 Doctor / Tactical Medical
- ✓ 4 Team Commanders

Metro SWAT guidelines mandate that participating agencies supply members to serve on the team based upon population.

In 2023 Officer Shannon Stagnolia was assigned to the team serving in tactical operator role. Capt. Christopher Adkins was assigned to the team serving in a UAV operator role.

The Brimfield Police Department had no activations of SWAT to our community in 2023.



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AWARDS & MEMBER RECOGNITION

For 2023 the following BPD personnel received awards or recognition for service provided to our community.

HONORABLE DISCHARGE

Officer Brett Dinkelman
Sgt. Matthew McCarty
Officer Steven Gyoker

BPD OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Officer Mike Rhodes

OVI AWARD

Officer Shannon Stagnolia

SAFE DRIVING AWARD

Officer Russ Diehl
Sgt. David Knarr
Officer Shannon Stagnolia
Officer Jake Rapp
Officer Jerry Dumont

LETTER OF COMMENDATION

Officer James Carrozzi
Officer Jake Rapp

METRO SWAT FITNESS AWARD

Officer Shannon Stagnolia

5 YEARS SERVICE

Officer Shannon Stagnolia
Officer Jake Rapp

10 YEARS SERVICE

Officer Matthew Kennedy
Officer Mike Rhodes

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RETIREMENTS

Two long serving members of our Brimfield Police Department team achieved service retirements during 2023.

Administrative Assistant Patti Harjung retired after serving our Department and community for the past 33 years.

Officer Steven Gyoker retired after serving our Department and community for the past 35 years.

Congratulations to both, and we wish them all the best in the next chapter!



Officer Steven Gyoker



Admin. Asst. Patti Harjung

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PERSONNEL COMPLAINT SUMMARY

The Brimfield Police Department is committed to providing law enforcement services that are fair and impartially applied. Law enforcement agencies are often engaged in high liability activities with the corresponding need to maintain the integrity of its operations and the ethical conduct of its members. It is the policy of the Department to investigate complaints and allegations in a manner that will assure the community of prompt corrective action in the event of employee misconduct, while at the same time protecting our employees from unwarranted criticism pursuant to the proper discharge of their official duties.

Complaints may be made in person, by telephone, or in writing. Complaint forms are available at the Brimfield Police Department, or may be completed from our website at www.brimfieldpolice.com (See FAQ's).

During 2023, there was one (1) complaint filed with our agency. The low ratio of complaints received related to the thousands of public contacts by BPD employees throughout the year indicates an extremely low frequency of complaints.

Personnel Complaints:

| Source | Date Rec'd | Allegation | Date Assigned | Date Closed | Finding |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Written - Anonymous | 07/07/2023 | Vehicle Parking | 07/07/2023 | 07/07/2023 | Sustained |

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BIAS-BASED POLICING ANALYSIS

A fundamental right guaranteed by both the U.S. and Ohio Constitutions is the “equal protection” clause. Everyone is entitled to walk, drive, and move about in public free from police interference so long as they obey the law. Those who commit infractions must receive equal and fair treatment, regardless of their race, color, ethnicity, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical handicap, religion or other belief system.

AUDITS

In 2023, there were no complaints of bias-based policing filed with the Brimfield Police Department. Supervisory monitoring found no unusual patterns of enforcement or contact that would statistically indicate bias-based profiling is occurring.

TRAINING

All officers completed Anti-Bias Training for Law Enforcement training and Bias-Based Policing Policy training bulletins in 2023.

CORRECTIVE MEASURES

Due to the fact that there were no indicators of bias-based policing occurring, there were no formal corrective measures taken during calendar year 2023.

OFFICER INITIATED TRAFFIC DATA

Aligned with the *Ohio Collaborative* Standard regarding Bias-Based Policing, we utilize our records management system to record data on the gender and race of drivers stopped as a result of officer self-initiated traffic contacts by the Brimfield Police Department.

The results of that data reflect the following for 2023:

Race:

| | |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 77.8% of drivers stopped | White |
| 16.1% of drivers stopped | Black |
| 4.0% of drivers stopped | Other |
| 0.3% of drivers stopped | Hispanic |
| 1.2% of drivers stopped | Asian/Pacific Islander |

Gender:

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| 64.7% of drivers stopped | Male |
| 35.2% of drivers stopped | Female |
| 0.2% of drivers stopped | Unknown |

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USE OF FORCE REPORTING SUMMARY

In compliance with *Policy 301 - Use of Force Review*, following is a summary analysis of reported use of force incidents that occurred in 2023. Administrative reviews are undertaken for all incidents where BPD officers are involved in a use of force application in order to determine policy compliance and to identify potential training issues.

During 2023 there was one (1) use of force report, and the break-down of type of force applied is noted below.

| <u>TYPE OF FORCE APPLIED</u> | <u>NUMBER OF TIMES USED</u> |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Weaponless Tactic | 1 |
| Electronic Control Device | 0 |
| Chemical Aerosol | 0 |
| Baton | 0 |
| Firearm | 0 |

INJURIES

Any time a lethal or less-lethal weapon is applied against a subject to effect an arrest, or a person states they are injured as a result of the application of force, the person is checked for injury by a paramedic/EMT paramedic and/or transported to a medical facility to be treated.

Suspects

There were no reported injuries sustained by a resistant suspect due to the use of force.

Officers

There were no reported injuries sustained by BPD officers due to the use of force.

ACTIVITIES, POLICIES & PRACTICES

In 2023 all officers received training on Use of Force directives via documented review of agency policy, and by completing Use of Force policy training bulletins throughout the year. Additionally, all officers completed fifteen (15) hours of online training provided through Calibre Press regarding Use of Force in 2023.

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VEHICLE PURSUIT REPORTING SUMMARY

In compliance with *Policy 308 – Vehicle Pursuits*, administrative reviews are undertaken for all incidents where BPD officers are involved in a vehicle pursuit situation in order to determine compliance with agency policy as well as to identify potential training issues. These reviews are completed by a command officer and submitted to the Chief of Police.

PURSUIT ANALYSIS

Annually, the Chief of Police conducts an analysis of all pursuits initiated by the agency. The analysis will include:

1. Patterns or trends that indicate a specific training need.
2. Patterns or trends that indicate a needed policy change.

TOTAL NUMBER OF PURSUITS: 3

No pursuits resulted in accidents or injuries to vehicle operators, vehicle passengers, pedestrians, or officers. *Policy 308 – Vehicle Pursuits* is reviewed annually by all BPD officers. There are no recommended policy changes regarding vehicle pursuits at this time as a result of 2023 analysis.

Incident #23-1445

Officers responded to Walmart for a report of a driver slumped over the wheel in the vehicle. When arriving in the area, officers located the described vehicle on Tallmadge Rd. entering I-76. Officers observe the vehicle weaving/driving erratically and attempted to stop it. The driver refused to stop and the pursuit continued to Akron PD's jurisdiction where they took over and BPD officers terminated involvement.

Incident #23-6952

Officer responded to report of possible intoxicated motorcycle rider. The cycle was observed on SR#43 and the rider failed to comply when a stop was attempted, leading officers on a pursuit southbound on SR#43 from the area of Tallmadge Rd. South of Old Forge Rd. the lead officer lost sight of the motorcycle and the pursuit was terminated by a BPD supervisor.

Incident #23-15459

Officers responded to a report of an intoxicated driver in the area of The Cascades of Brimfield. The vehicle was located and the driver failed to comply, leading officers on a slow speed pursuit onto I-76 westbound into Akron's jurisdiction driving very erratically. The driver was stopped after exiting at Gilchrist Rd. and was subsequently arrested for OVI.

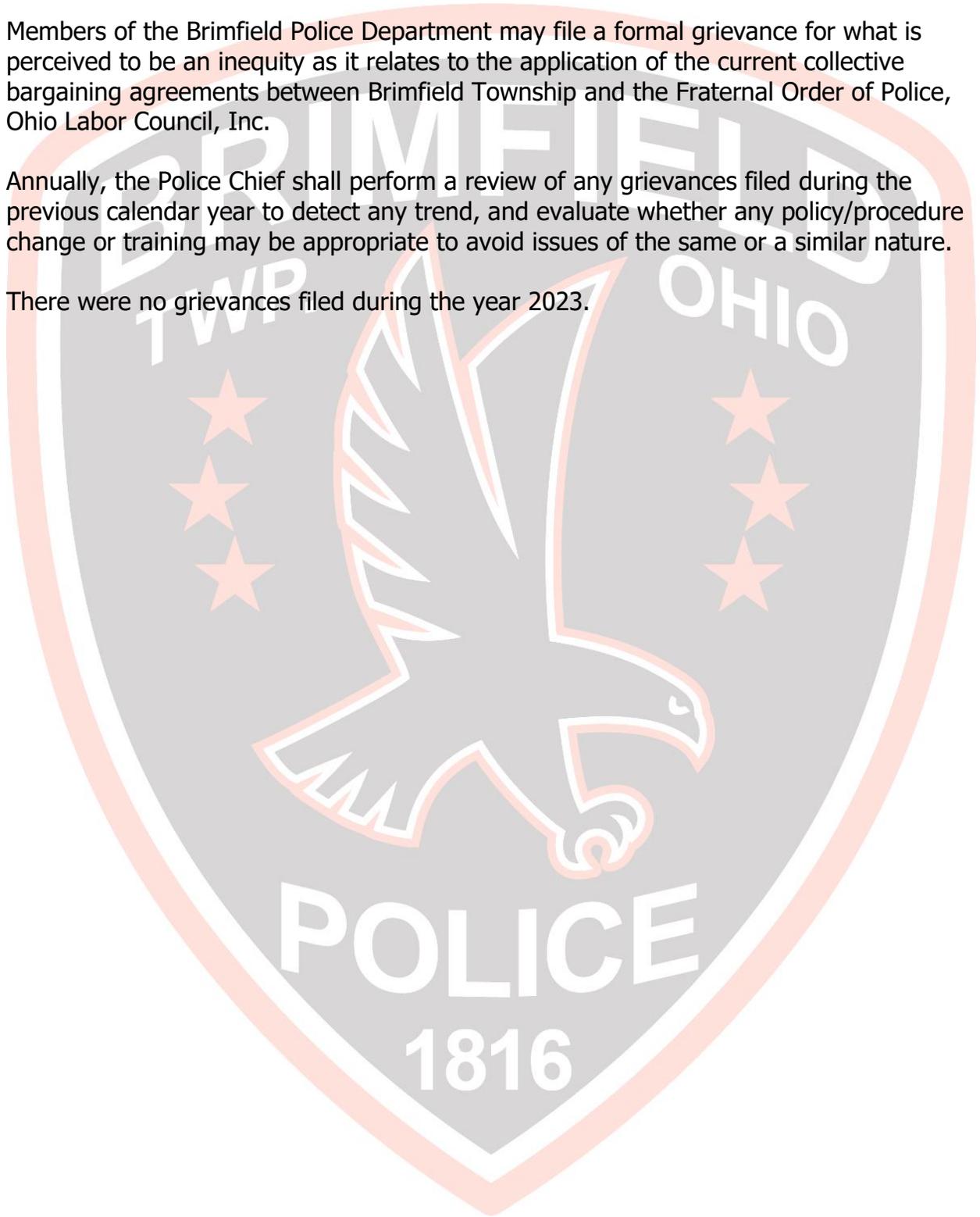
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GRIEVANCE ANALYSIS

Members of the Brimfield Police Department may file a formal grievance for what is perceived to be an inequity as it relates to the application of the current collective bargaining agreements between Brimfield Township and the Fraternal Order of Police, Ohio Labor Council, Inc.

Annually, the Police Chief shall perform a review of any grievances filed during the previous calendar year to detect any trend, and evaluate whether any policy/procedure change or training may be appropriate to avoid issues of the same or a similar nature.

There were no grievances filed during the year 2023.



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TRAINING SUMMARY

Training is an integral part of establishing professional standards within all organizations, and the community expects its police department to provide quality training in carrying out its service. The Brimfield Police Department strives to provide training within financial constraints & available staffing resources. This is accomplished through internal (in-service and online) training and external training resources.

In-Service Training:

In-service training was provided to members of the department throughout the year in various areas:

- Breath alcohol testing training/certification
- Firearms and Electronic Control Device in-service training and qualification
- *PoliceOne Academy* online training courses:
 - Anti-Bias Training for Law Enforcement
 - Search & Seizure Supreme Court Update
 - Achieving Peak Performance in Emotional Survival
- *Calibre Press* online training courses:
 - Constitutional Use of Force (5.5 hrs.)
 - De-Escalation and Intervention (3.5 hrs.)
 - Legally Justified, But Was It Avoidable (6 hrs.)
- BPD policy training bulletins
- 24 hours of mandated Continuing Professional Training (CPT) mandated by the state of Ohio in 2023 for all BPD Officers including the following areas:
 - Legal Updates (3 hours)
 - School Threat Safety Training (3 hours)
 - Arrest, Search & Seizure (2 hours)
 - Other Training Courses as assigned (16 hours)

External Training:

Training needs are also met by sending BPD personnel through specialized training classes & workshops sponsored through the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy (OPOTA), the Ohio State Highway Patrol, the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP), and other regional and national training providers as resources & staffing permit. Following are training workshops completed by BPD personnel in 2023:

- Police Executive Leadership College (PELC) Annual Conference
- *Legally Confident-Tactically Confident* Workshop
- Advanced Patrol Tactics course by Metro SWAT
- Basic Patrol Rifle and Pistol course by Metro SWAT
- OACP Public Records 101/102/103/104 Workshops
- Ohio School Resource Officer Association Certification Training

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- 2023 K9 Alpena National Workshop
- OPOTA Instructional Skills Workshop
- 40-hour Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) through Portage County Mental Health & Recovery Board
- Basic Traffic Crash Investigation Workshop
- OPOTA Chemical Aerosol Instructor Workshop
- Homicide Investigation & Crime Scene Management Workshop
- Sexual Assault Investigation Workshop
- Gracie Survival Tactics Instructor Training Course
- Evidence Technician

In addition to their normal work duties, select Brimfield Police Officers have attained the position of being certified as a Field Training Officer (FTO) or an Instructor/Specialist in a specialized area or topic.

The following BPD personnel are presently certified as Field Training Officers and/or Special Topic Instructors in 2023:

| Field Training Officers | Special Topic Instructors |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Officer Mike Rhodes | Officer Mike Rhodes |
| Officer James Carrozzi | Capt. Christopher Adkins |
| Officer Matt Kennedy | Sgt. David Knarr |
| Officer Robert Putnam | Officer Jerry Dumont |
| Officer Jerry Dumont | Officer Shannon Stagnolia |
| Officer Kelly Ryba | Officer Jake Rapp |
| | Officer Robert Putnam |
| | Officer Garrett Fleming |

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PHOTOGRAPHS AND BPD COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



Shop With a Cop



Brimfest



Brimfield Elementary Welcome Back



Breakfast With Santa



DARE Graduation



Community Easter Egg Hunt

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Fill-A-Cruiser



Halloween
Brimfield
Elementary



K9 Team at
Altercare



PMHA
Community
Event



Cookies
With a Cop



Kindergarten
Safety
School



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Shop With a Cop



Shop With a Cop



BPD Student Engagement



Scouts Station Tour



Verizon Backpack Event



Kindergarten Safety School

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