

2015

AUBURN POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT



THE AUBURN POLICE
DEPARTMENT IS A
STATE ACCREDITED AGENCY





OUR VISION

To be a premier law enforcement agency that is trusted, supported and respected.

OUR MISSION

To provide professional law enforcement services to our community.

CORE VALUES - CHIP

COURAGE

Bravely standing up to danger and adversity

HONOR

Serving a noble purpose, we hold this profession in high esteem

INTEGRITY

Our decisions and actions are based on trust and honesty

PROFESSIONALISM

Our sense of duty to conduct ourselves to the highest level of competence and character



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MESSAGE FROM CHIEF BOB LEE

On behalf of all the dedicated members of the Auburn Police Department, I am proud to present the 2015 Annual Report. 2015 was another year of growth and challenges for the men and women of the Auburn Police Department. Once again, we had a significant number of personnel transition into retirement or accept other career opportunities requiring us to hire 13 new police officers and 2 non-commissioned staff. Since becoming your Chief on October 1, 2010, we have hired 51 new employees. In my 34+ years with Auburn PD, I've never seen the Department make this type of transition in such a short amount of time.



The City of Auburn is the 15th largest municipality in the State of Washington, and serves a diverse population of just over 75,500. The mission of the Auburn Police Department is to deliver professional policing to our community, which allows our citizens and visitors to be safe and enjoy a quality life. All Department members continue to be dedicated to helping our citizens improve their neighborhood environments, by providing premier law enforcement services to the public we serve.

The men and women of the Auburn Police Department recognize that building community trust is earned each day through the strong relationships built between the police department and the citizens we serve. As we move into 2016, we will increase our efforts to create opportunities that will allow for the exchange of ideas and information. As always, we will provide these services with Courage, Honor, Integrity and Professionalism.

The City of Auburn is an exceptional city, and the efforts of our police officers, civilian support staff, volunteers, citizens and the steadfast public safety support from Mayor Backus and the City Council have made a positive impact on the quality of life in our community.

In conclusion, this report reflects the hard work, outstanding accomplishments and professional services provided by the members of this agency. As Auburn's Chief of Police, I am proud of our dedicated employees, history, community-oriented programs, and the progress we have made throughout the years.

I invite you to follow us on Facebook, in order to stay connected with what is happening at the Department and in our community. Please find us at www.facebook.com/AuburnWAPolice.

Bob Lee
Chief of Police
Auburn Police Department

ASSISTANT CHIEF PIERSON

Assistant Chief Pierson was hired with the City of Auburn in 1990 and was assigned to the Patrol Division where he was awarded the Medal of Distinction while in field training. In 1993, Assistant Chief Pierson became the Auburn Police Department's first Community Policing Bicycle Officer. He celebrated 25 years of service this year.

In 1994, he was appointed as a Narcotic Detective and served on the SWAT Team as a Marksman for 5 years. In 1997, he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant where he supervised the Field Training Unit. He is a certified Firearms Instructor and in 1998 became the Range Master for firearms training in 2002. Pierson was then assigned as the Special Investigations Sergeant where he supervised narcotic investigations and proactive detectives investigating vice crimes. He was also head of the Inspectional Services Unit where he obtained state and federal grants and investigated Internal Affairs issues.

Pierson was promoted to the rank of Commander in 2005 and was assigned to the Patrol Division where he managed seven sergeants, the Field Training Unit, defensive tactics and firearms training. He was then re-assigned to the Support Services Division where he managed the Training Unit, Community Response Team, DARE and Accreditation. He earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology with an emphasis on Public Policy, Law and Social Control from Washington State University and is member of the Auburn Kiwanis, a 2005 graduate of the Leadership Institute of South Puget Sound and a graduate of the FBI National Academy.



ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS

Heather Shaw started with the Police Department in 2012 and Sue Van Slyke in October of 2014. They are responsible for providing direct support to Chief Lee and Assistant Chief Pierson, as well as the department's Command Staff. They have a variety of duties that span from payroll, purchasing, training and travel and all responsibilities associated with administrative assistance to the department.

Kathy Divelbiss began her career 14 years ago with the Auburn Police Department and is the Investigations Administrative Assistant. She reports to the Investigations Commander.



HEATHER SHAW



SUE VAN SLYKE

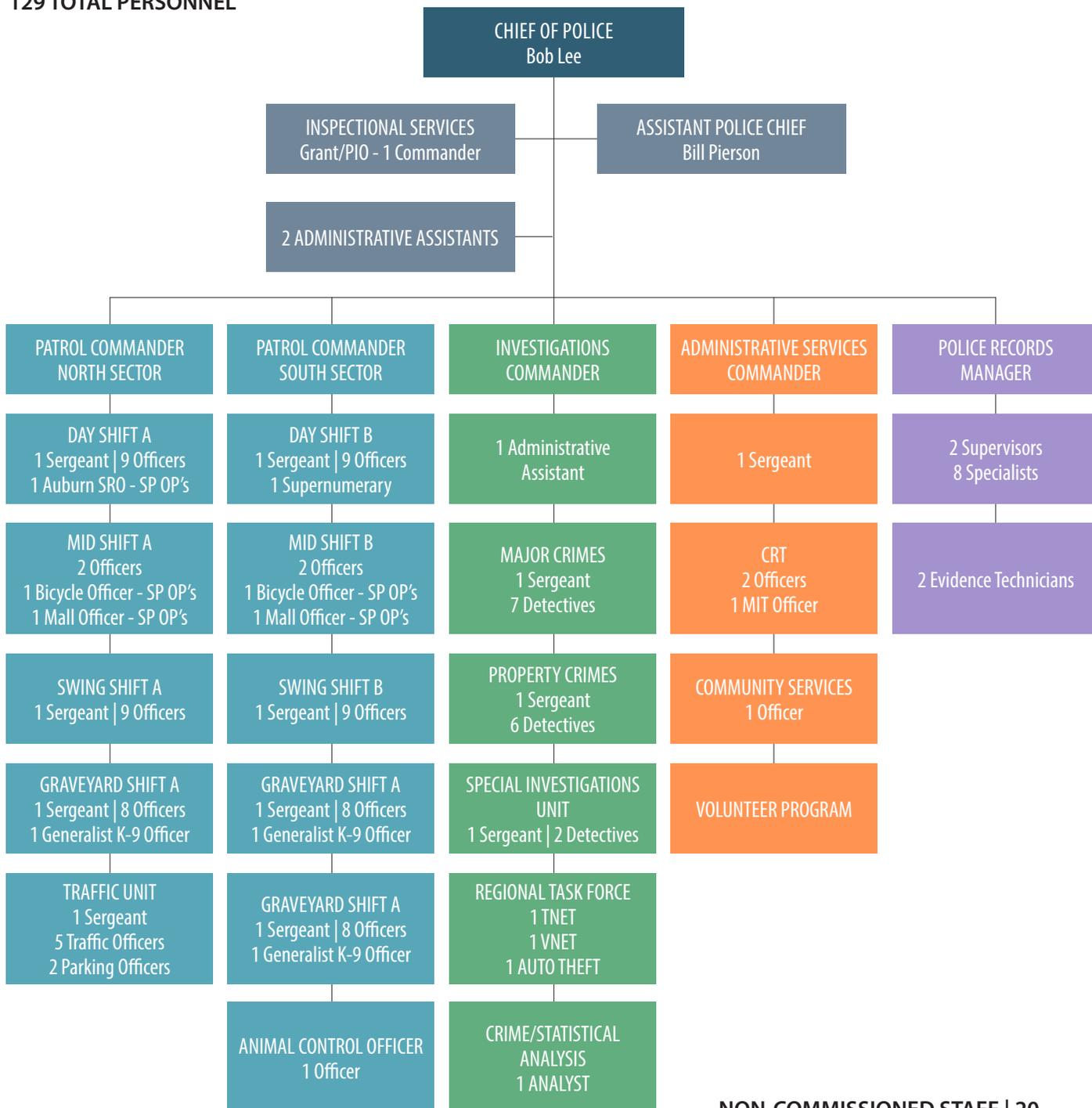


KATHY DIVELBISS

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

January 1, 2015 | Authorized Staff Positions

129 TOTAL PERSONNEL



COMMISSIONED STAFF | 109

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| 1 CHIEF OF POLICE | 18 DETECTIVES |
| 1 ASSISTANT CHIEF | 5 TRAFFIC OFFICERS |
| 5 COMMANDERS | 4 ADMIN SERVICES |
| 11 SERGEANTS | 5 SPECIAL OPERATIONS |
| 58 PATROL OFFICERS | 1 SUPERNUMERARY |

NON-COMMISSIONED STAFF | 20

- 1 RECORDS MANAGER
- 2 POLICE SERVICE SUPERVISORS
- 8 POLICE SERVICE SPECIALISTS
- 2 EVIDENCE/PROPERTY TECHNICIANS
- 2 PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS
- 3 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS
- 1 ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER
- 1 CRIME ANALYST

INSPECTIONAL SERVICES



Commander Steve Stocker leads Inspectional Services. This department is responsible for managing commendations and allegations of misconduct. The Inspectional Services Commander is also responsible for staff inspections and serves as the Public Information Officer. The Inspectional Services Commander reports directly to the Chief.

Commendations, Inquiries and Allegations of Misconduct (CIA) investigations are designed to allow the agency to look at our department from the eyes of our community members. To meet these demands, we must be a disciplined and well-regulated organization. The report on the next page illustrates how well the Auburn Police Department is perceived to be following our Vision and Mission statements, as well as our stated Manual of Standards.

In 2015, Auburn Police Officers responded to 92,872 Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) incidents and completed 17,875 case reports. Officers made 4,985 arrests, with 2,884 of those arrestees being booked into the SCORE Jail, and officers issued 8,292 infractions/citations. All of this activity accounts for only a portion of the personal contacts with our community members that are made by our police officers throughout the year.

As outlined in the Auburn Police Department Manual of Standards (MOS), the CIA system provides a uniform means of reporting, investigating, and documenting Commendations, Inquiries, Allegations of Misconduct and Collision Reviews.

A Commendation is used to recognize actions or performances by members of the police department who act or perform in a manner that is outstanding or beyond what is normally expected. The Commendation process recognizes employees for Professionalism, Exemplary Job, Exemplary Actions, Life Saving and Heroism.

During 2015, there were 75 commendations awarded



INSPECTIONAL SERVICES COMMANDER STEVE STOCKER

Commander Stocker has been with the Auburn Police Department for 25 years promoting from patrol officer to sergeant and then commander. Steve is also the commander of the Valley Crisis Communications Unit as a negotiator, as well as the commander of the Valley Investigations Team which oversees officer involved shootings in South King County.

to a total of 146 employees. Of those, 7 were generated from within the department, and 68 were generated from citizens, businesses and those in the law enforcement community. Two of the commendations were Life Saving Medals.

A Supervisory Inquiry involves a complaint made regarding the quality of service delivery. These complaints vary in degrees from regarding an employee's demeanor, tardiness, related to customer service, or the nature of a department practice. The employee's immediate supervisor typically handles this type of complaint. At times, the outcome of the inquiry will be forwarded to the Inspectional Services office, but many times it is not. If an employee has multiple service delivery complaints where the conduct has been determined to be unacceptable then the complaint may be handled and documented as an Internal Investigation.

An Internal Investigation involves a complaint of a possible violation of department standards, written directive, City policy or applicable Civil Service Rules. These allegations include, but are not limited to, complaints of bias based profiling, excessive force, alleged corruption, insubordination, breach of civil rights, false arrest, and other types of allegations of serious misconduct. Below are the 2015 Investigations and Findings:

No. of Investigations	6
No. of Employees Investigated	8
Findings of Misconduct	6

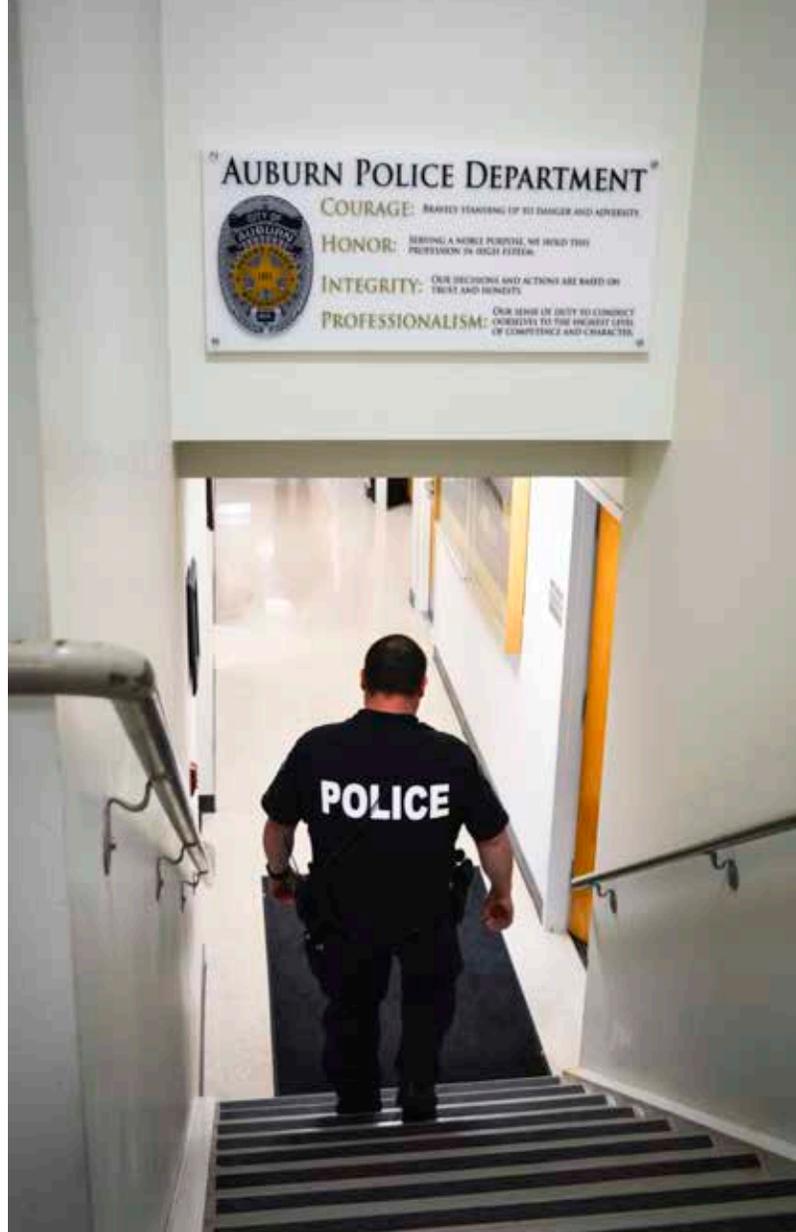
A Collision Review is conducted whenever an Auburn Police Department employee is involved in a collision while the employee is the driver and on duty, or in a city-owned vehicle while driven by a police department employee. Below are the results of collision investigations:

No. of Collisions	26
Determined Preventable	16

The number of sustained allegations compared to the number of contacts that employees make every year is extremely low.

The Auburn Police Department works diligently to maintain an open environment where our community members can freely tell us when they are pleased or dissatisfied with our performance. When we receive Commendations, Inquiries, Allegations of Misconduct or an officer is involved in a collision we thoroughly investigate the incident to determine the merit and appropriate response.

Although there is always room for improvement, we believe it can be concluded that we have been successful in fulfilling our Mission and Vision statements and have been providing the utmost in quality law enforcement service to our community.



PATROL DIVISION

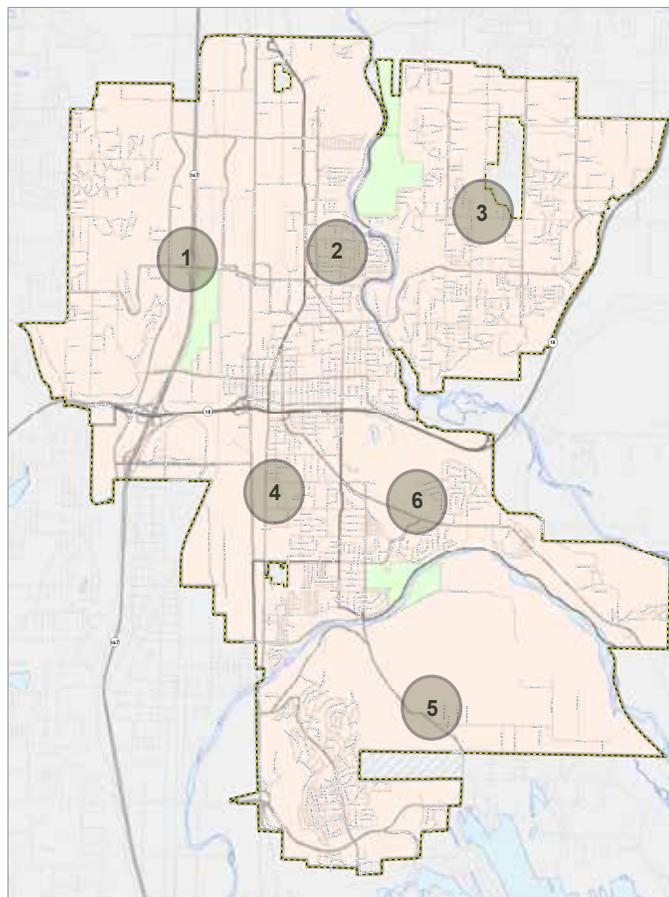


**NORTH SECTOR COMMANDER
JAMIE SIDELL**

Commander Sidell has served 28 years with the Auburn Police Department. He previously served as a Field Training Officer, was part of the Special Investigations Unit as a Pro-Active Detective, was a Policing Bicycle Officer, and was assigned to the Valley Narcotics Enforcement Team. He currently is in charge of the Department's Crime Scene Response Team and is Commander for the Valley Civil Disturbance unit.

- DISTRICT 1**
1 SERGEANT/9 OFFICERS
- DISTRICT 2**
1 SERGEANT/9 OFFICERS
- DISTRICT 3**
1 SERGEANT/8 OFFICERS
- TRAFFIC UNIT**
1 SERGEANT/5 OFFICERS
2 PARKING OFFICERS

The Patrol Division is the Department's largest division. In 2015, Commanders Sidell and Caillier led a staff of 6 Patrol Sergeants, 58 Patrol Officers, 1 Traffic Sergeant, 5 Motor Officers, 2 Mall Officers and 2 Parking Enforcement Officers. They are responsible for on-going crime and related problem solving in their respective sectors. Additionally, Patrol Commanders are responsible for the Department's Traffic, K9 and Bike Units, Field Training, Civil Disturbance Unit (CDU), Defensive Tactics & Range Staff.



**SOUTH SECTOR COMMANDER
MARK CAILLIER**

Commander Caillier was hired by the Auburn Police Department in 1994. He served as a Patrol officer, Major Crimes Detective, Field Training Officer, SWAT Officer and a K9 handler prior to being promoted to Sergeant in 2007. Mark supervised the Major Crimes Unit from January, 2011 to November, 2013 when he was promoted to the rank of Commander.

- DISTRICT 4**
1 SERGEANT/9 OFFICERS
2 MALL OFFICERS
- DISTRICT 5**
1 SERGEANT/9 OFFICERS
- DISTRICT 6**
1 SERGEANT/8 OFFICERS
- K-9 OFFICERS**
2 GENERALIST

PATROL SERGEANTS

Patrol Sergeants supervise a shift of officers and are responsible for developing strategies to address on-going crime and related concerns in their respective districts.



SAM BETZ

DAY SHIFT A | 9 OFFICERS, 1 K-9 OFFICER

Sergeant Sam Betz has been with the Auburn Police department since 2006. His duties and experiences have included positions such as a narcotic detection K9 handler, being a member of the Crime Scene Team and a Special Investigations Unit detective. Sergeant Betz currently is an active member of the Valley Regional SWAT Team. He has also participated as president of the Auburn Police Officer's Association and a member of the Auburn Police Guild Executive Board.



TYLER CHRISTIAN

DAY SHIFT B | 9 OFFICERS, 1 AUBURN SRO

Sergeant Tyler Christian was hired by the Auburn Police Department in June 2002 which gives him a total of 13 years with the department. He is an active member of the Valley Regional SWAT team. Sergeant Christian holds the title of Range Master and is one of the department's lead firearms instructors. Tyler's other assignments have included Patrol, Civil Disturbance Unit (CDU), SWAT, M16-AR-15 Armorer, Colt 1911 Armorer, Sig Sauer Armorer and Narcotics Detective. He has instructor certifications from various organizations to include the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Center and the National Rifle Association and holds certifications in handgun, rifle, sub-gun, knife and martial arts.



MIKE ASHBAUGH

SWING SHIFT A | 9 OFFICERS, 1 MALL OFFICER, 2 BIKE OFFICERS

Sergeant Ashbaugh has been a police officer since 2001 and was hired by the Auburn Police Department in 2003. During his tenure at the department thus far, Mike has served as a Patrol Officer, Narcotics Detective, SWAT operator, Property Crimes Detective and Community Response Team officer prior to being promoted to Patrol Sergeant in 2013. Sergeant Ashbaugh is a Defensive Tactics instructor for the department and a member of the Crime Scene Response Team.

PATROL SERGEANTS



JON THORNTON

SWING SHIFT B | 9 OFFICERS, 1 MALL OFFICER, 1 BIKE OFFICER

Sergeant Jon Thornton has been with the Auburn Police Department for 25 years. He patrolled Downtown Auburn on the Mountain Bike Unit for five years. Sergeant Thornton was on the Civil Disturbance Unit for 12 years during which he was deployed to Downtown Seattle during the World Trade Organization riots. He was selected to the Valley Special Response Team (Valley SWAT) where he spent 8 years mostly as a ballistic shield operator. Sergeant Thornton is currently a Team Leader on the Valley Civil Disturbance Unit and a member of the Auburn PD Honor Guard.



ANDY CLAPP

GRAVE SHIFT A | 9 OFFICERS, 1 K-9 OFFICER

Sergeant Andrew Clapp graduated from Seattle University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Humanities and a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice. Andrew began his career in Law Enforcement in 1996 when he was hired by the Auburn Police Department as a Police Service Specialist. Sergeant Clapp became a commissioned Auburn Police Officer in 2000. Andrew joined the Crime Scene Team in 2007 specializing in photographing major crime scenes. The same year Andrew became a Field Training Officer. In 2010 he became a member of the Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC) staff as an instructor of both driving and Pursuit Immobilization Technique (PIT). He is also part of the Peer Support Team.



JAMIE DOUGLAS

GRAVE SHIFT B | 9 OFFICERS, 1 K-9 OFFICER

Jamie Douglas has 23 years of Emergency Services experience with the last 18 years in Law Enforcement. Jamie has been a Drug Lab Investigator, Narcotics K9 Handler, Motorcycle Officer and Drug Recognition Expert. Sergeant Douglas supervises the Crime Scene Response Team and the Field Training programs. Jamie also teaches at the Washington State Basic Law Enforcement Academy on the topics of collision investigation and impaired driving.

TRAFFIC UNIT

The primary responsibility of the traffic officers is traffic enforcement and collision investigations. Advanced expertise includes Technical Collision Investigation, Collision Reconstruction, and Drug Recognition Enforcement. Patrol's Traffic Division investigated 1,395 traffic collisions in 2015.



JAMES NORDENGER

Sergeant James Nordenger led the Traffic Division which consists of 5 Traffic Officers and two Parking Control Officers. Sergeant Nordenger has over 17 years of experience and is a current Defensive Tactics Instructor.

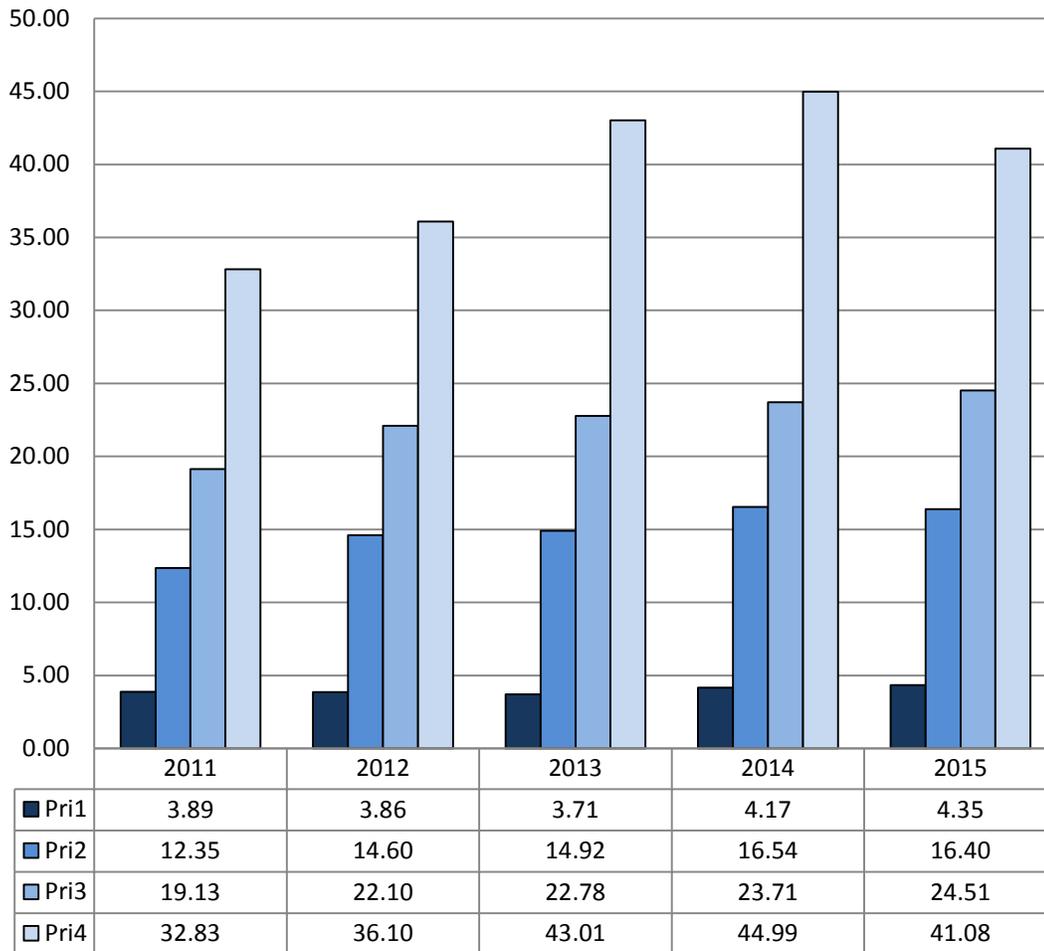


Traffic Unit Officers from left to right: Officer Derek Anderson, Sergeant James Nordenger, Officer Patrick Douglas, and Officer Darrell Jones

Parking Control Officers Ron Reardon and Suzette Conner. Their primary responsibility is to enforce the parking ordinances of Auburn and respond to abandoned vehicle complaints. In 2015, the Auburn Police Department wrote 3,737 parking tickets in the City of Auburn.

RESPONSE TIMES

Response Times (in Minutes)



Definition of Response Times Priority ratings

PRI 1 = Highest priority, confirmed hazard which could result in extensive loss of life or property

PRI 2 = Minimal hazard with considerably less potential for loss of life or property

PRI 3 = Low hazard, non-life threatening

PRI 4 = Police reports or cold calls

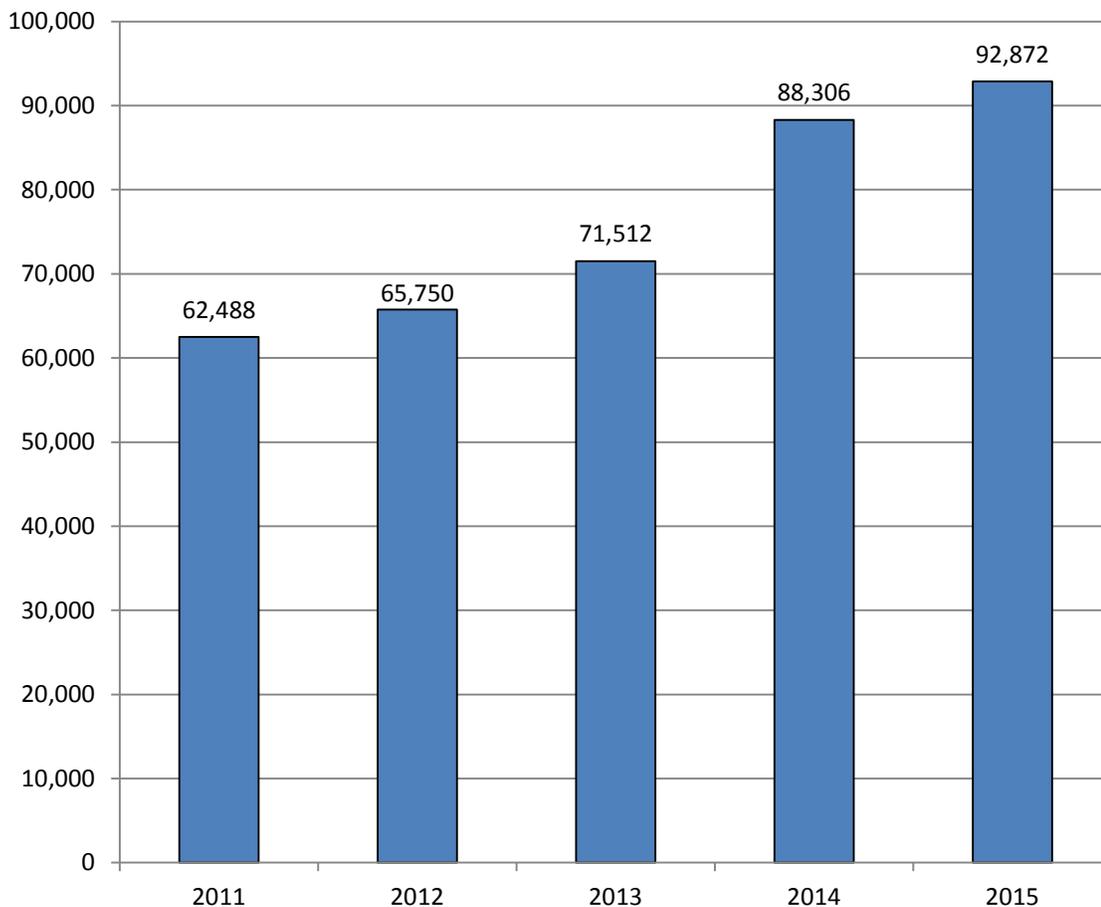
Officer Stanley Sedillo is one our officers trained to ride and respond to calls on a police bicycle.



CALLS FOR SERVICE

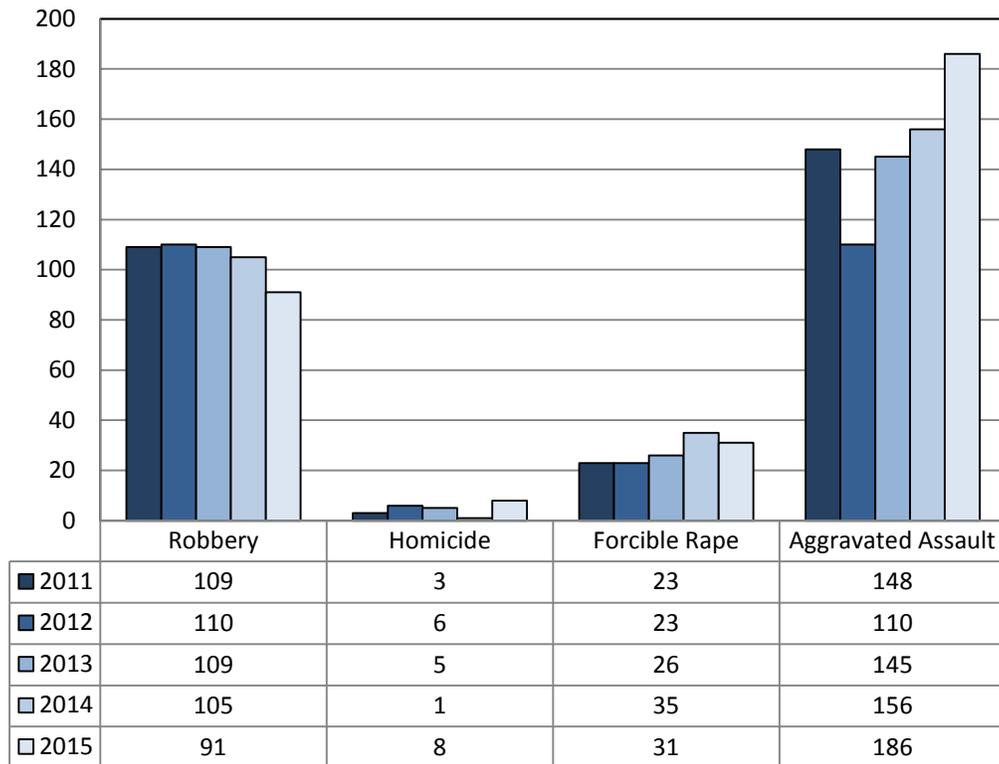
Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) calls for service have increased approximately 48.6% over the past 6 years. Auburn police received 92,872 calls in 2015.

Calls for Service



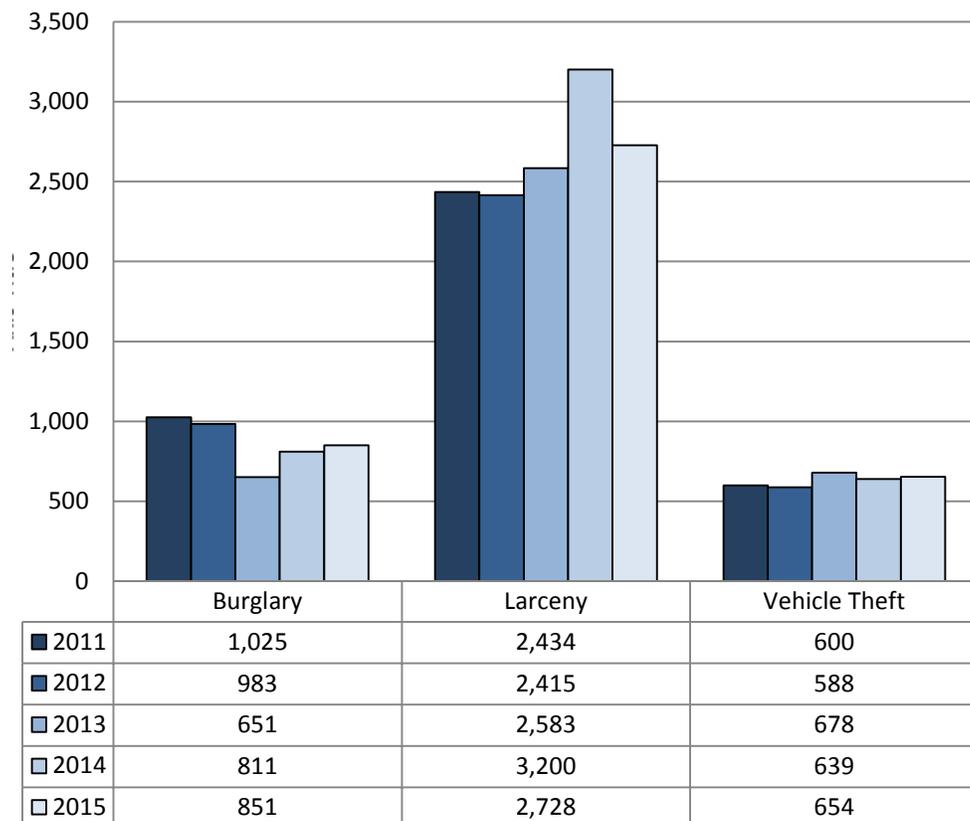
2015 CRIME STATISTICS

Person Crimes



Reported violent crimes in 2015.

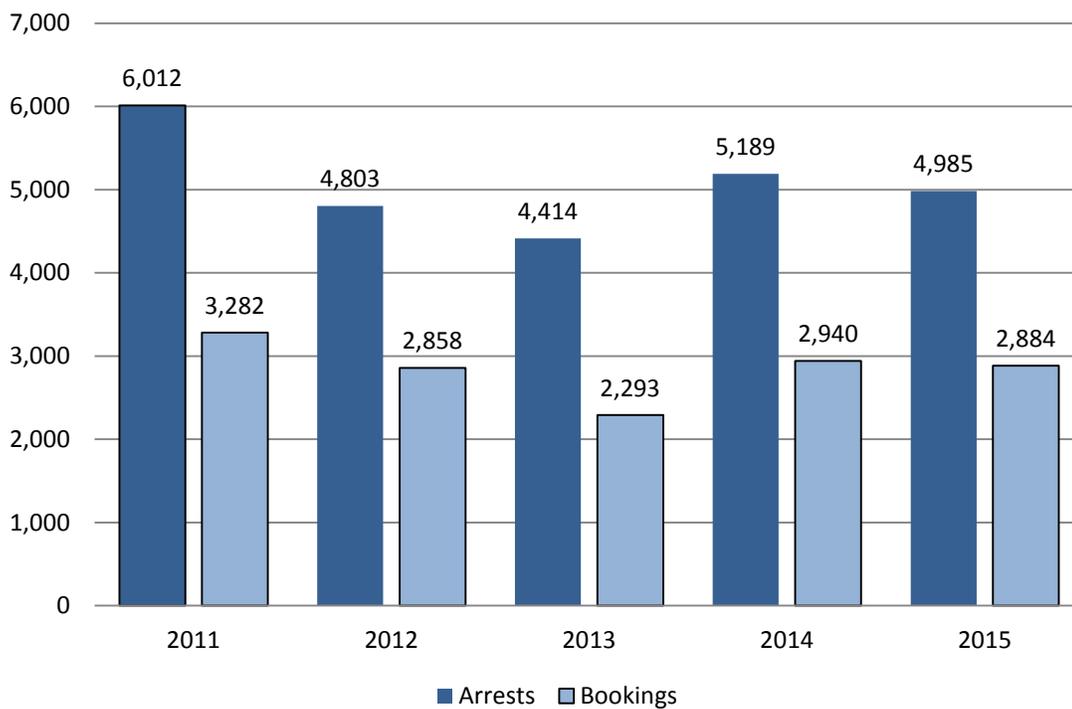
Property Crimes



Larceny accounted for the largest number of reported property crimes in 2015. Larceny is defined as theft, which includes crimes like theft from vehicle, shoplifting, a bicycle being stolen, etc. Vehicle theft continues to be a hot topic for every agency, the prosecutor's office, and the legislature.



Total Arrested Persons

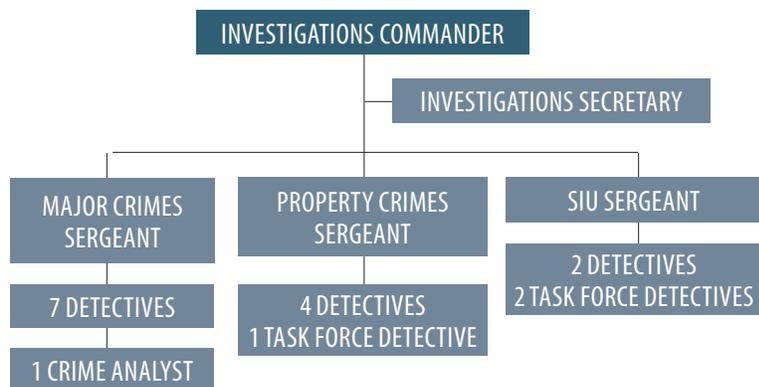


INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION



**INVESTIGATIONS
COMMANDER
MIKE HIRMAN**

Commander Hirman has over 24 years of law enforcement experience. Along with his duties as the Investigations Commander, he is also the commander who oversees the departments Emergency Vehicle Operation Training.



**PROPERTY CRIMES SERGEANT
JAMES FRITH**

Sergeant Frith has over 18 years of law enforcement experience. He is a Defensive Tactics trainer and is on the EVOC unit.



**MAJOR CRIMES SERGEANT
LES MUTERSPAUGH**

Sergeant Muterspaugh has over 15 years of law enforcement experience. He is a member of the Valley Investigation Team (VIT), which oversees officer involved shootings, and the Honor Guard.



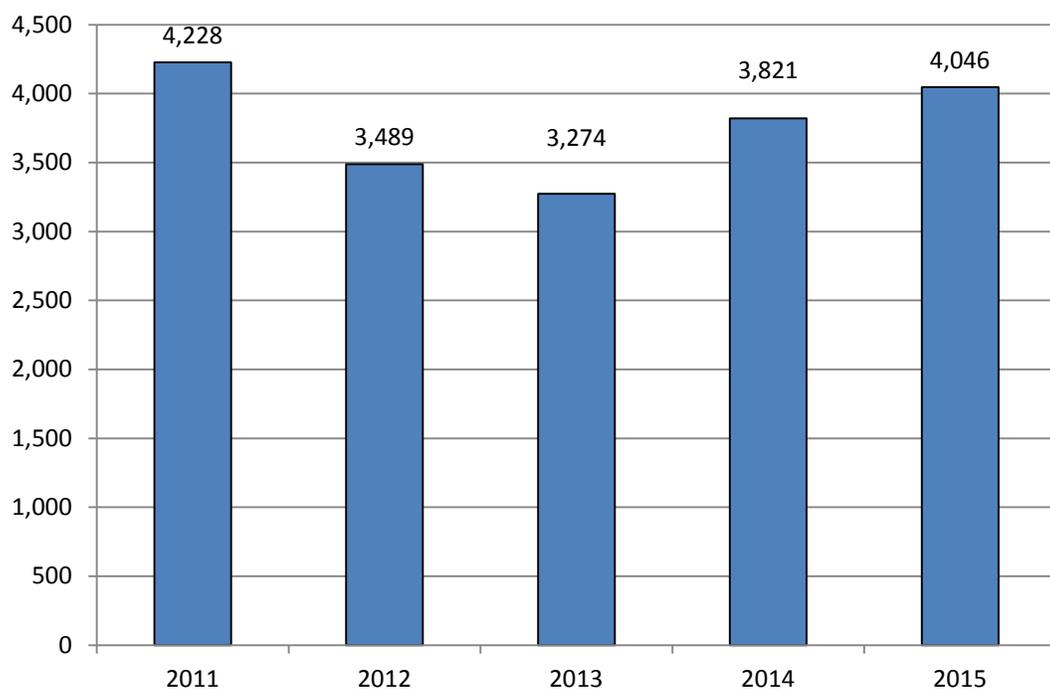
**SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT
(SIU) SERGEANT
DAN O'NEIL**

Sergeant Dan O'Neil has over 16 years of law enforcement experience and is currently the K9 program supervisor.

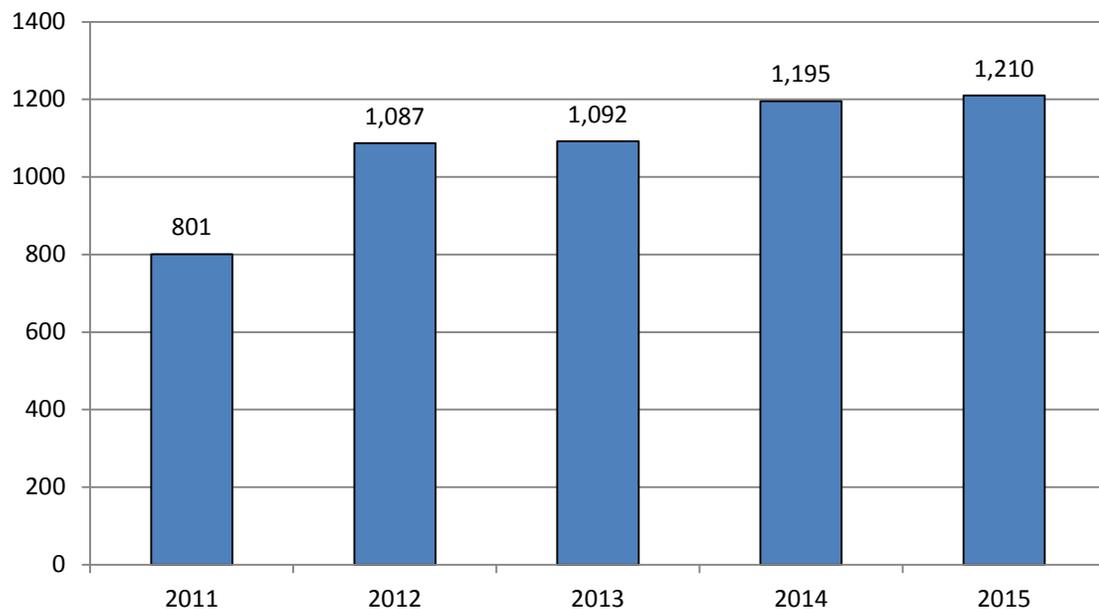


The Investigations Division remained very busy in 2015. All felony cases are assigned to a detective for review whether or not there is actual suspect information.

All Felony Investigations Cases Assigned

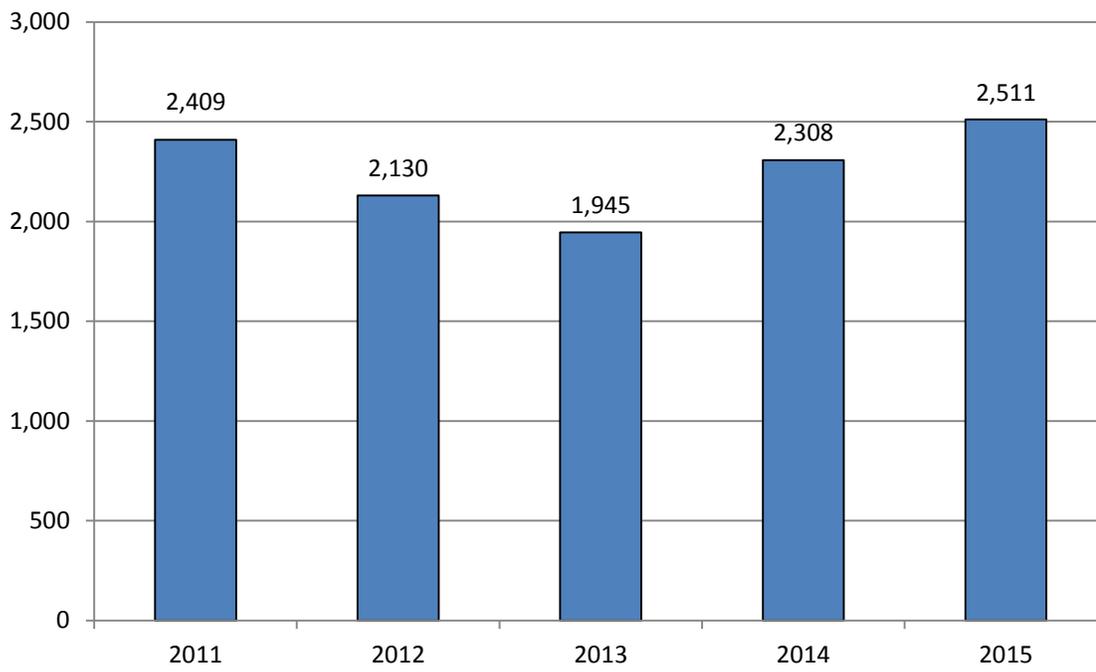


Major Crime Cases Assigned



PROPERTY CRIMES UNIT

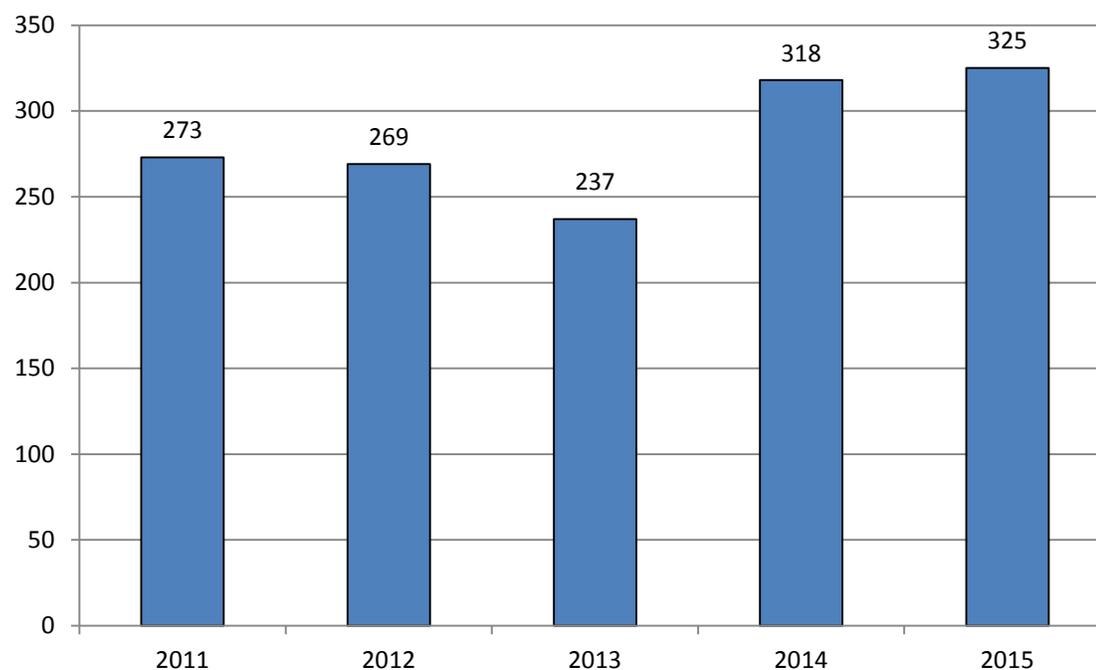
Property Cases Assigned



The Property Crimes Unit investigates the crimes of auto theft, felony theft, burglary, fraud, and forgery.

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

SIU Cases Assigned



The Special Investigations Unit is responsible for investigating drug and vice complaints as well as directed enforcement for specific problems.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES



**ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
COMMANDER
DAVE COLGLAZIER**

Commander Dave Colgazier has over 19 years of law enforcement experience. Along with his duties as the Administrative Commander, he is the Commander over SWAT.



**COMMUNITY PROGRAMS/
TRAINING SERGEANT
BRIAN WILLIAMS**

Sergeant Williams has over 19 years of experience and is one of our Emergency Vehicle Driving Instructors.

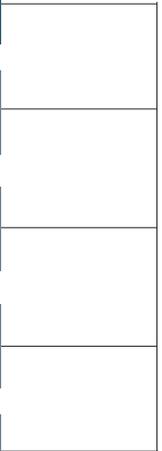
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
COMMANDER

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
SERGEANT

2 CRT OFFICERS
1 MIT OFFICER

COMMUNITY SERVICES
OFFICER

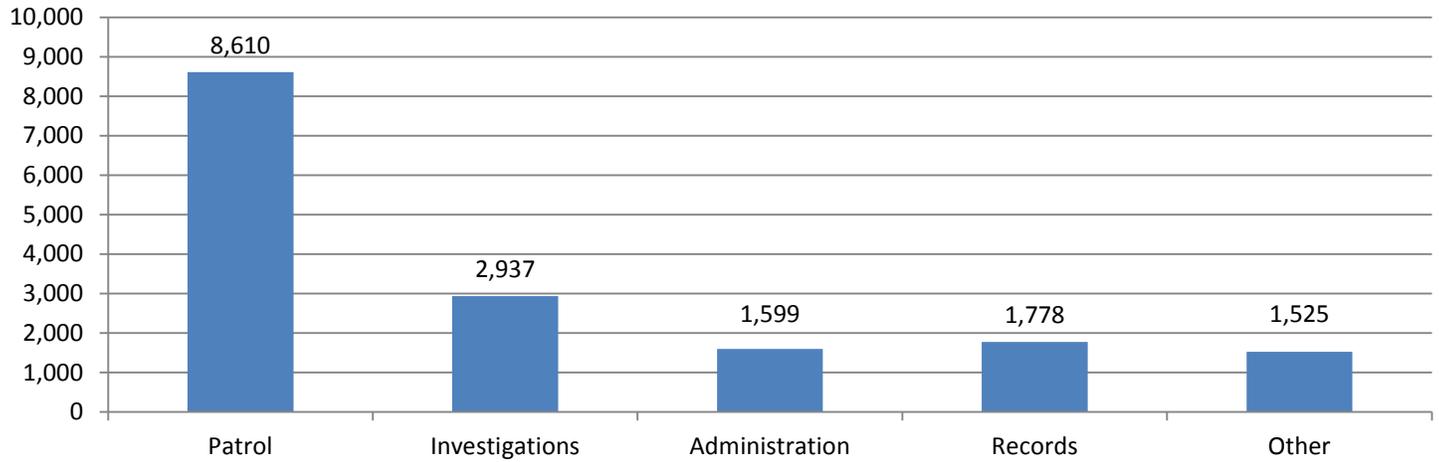
VOLUNTEER
PROGRAM



TRAINING HOURS

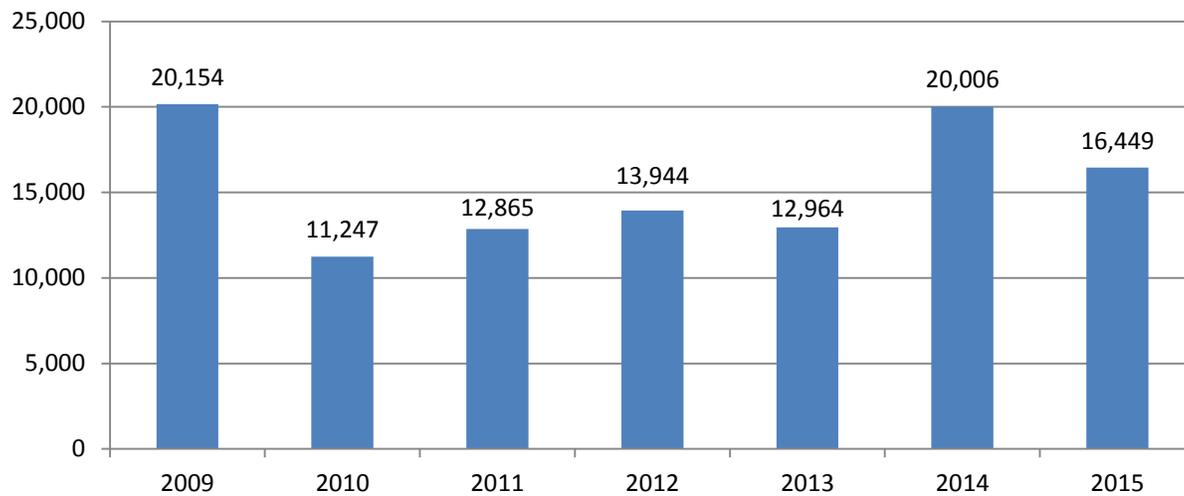
Training by the different divisions in 2015 was comprehensive. All commissioned staff are tasked to achieve a minimum of 30 training hours per year. Non-commissioned staff receive a minimum of 20 hours per year. The patrol hours also include training provided to new recruits at the State Basic Law Enforcement Academy and post academy training.

Training Hours by Division



Total Training Hours

The Department demonstrated its commitment to maintaining a high level of competence and professionalism to serve the Auburn Community.



COMMUNITY PROGRAMS



COMMUNITY PROGRAMS OFFICER JESSICA SMITH

Officer Smith has over 14 years of police experience. She maintains the accreditation files with WASPC, oversees the volunteer program, holds career and recruitment fairs, assists with the Citizen's Police Academy, and organizes police department events held outside of the department.



The following are some of the 2015 event highlights:

- Bicycle Rodeo
- KidsDay
- 4th of July Festival
- Clean Sweep
- Veteran's Day Parade
- Relay for Life
- Block Watches
- Station Tours
- Chili Feed Fundraiser
- Petpalooza
- Shop with a Cop
- Halloween Events
- APOA 5K Run
- Univision Parade & Festival
- Safety Talks
- Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony
- National Night Out
- Barktoberfest

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

The Auburn Police Volunteer Program remained very vibrant and supportive in 2015. 25 volunteers contributed 2,926 hours throughout the year supporting numerous community program events, as well as many of the above listed Citizens on Patrol missions. The Citizens on Patrol (COP) division of the volunteer program drove 6,474 miles in 460 hours in 2015.



Along with the Citizens on Patrol division, we also have volunteers who help with events and fingerprinting. Volunteers also assist the department with projects of many different levels. We are actively seeking new volunteers. For more information on volunteering with the Auburn Police Department, visit www.auburnwa.gov/police.

CRT

The Community Response Team is a significant resource within the police department to problem solve issues that arise within the city. Problem solving and reducing crime is addressed through tracking all rental properties throughout the city and taking an active role in enforcing the Multi-housing ordinance. CRT Officers review police activity through reports and crime analysis to identify on-going difficulties and coordinate efforts utilizing all city, county and state resources. CRT Officers make every effort to initiate contacts in the city through community meetings and Blockwatch efforts. Additionally, CRT Officers play a large role in collecting and tracking gang intelligence and activity.



CRT Officers perform a slightly different role from officers in the Patrol Division, as they are able to be more pro- active in their duties. They are, however, in uniforms and assigned patrol vehicles. CRT Officers are visible in the community and take an enforcement role to address problems that are identified and will work with the Patrol Division in a collaborative effort.

CITIZENS ACADEMY

The Auburn Police Department has hosted a Citizens Academy for over 20 years. Each session we invite citizens to apply to attend this 13 week (40 hour) course that allows people living and/or working in Auburn, to see and experience what our officers and detectives do on a daily basis. The class covers everything from laws and policies, to investigations, K9, Response to Resistance, Police Pursuits, and much, much more. There is usually a waiting list to attend and citizens are encouraged to apply early in order to reserve a spot. People attending must pass a background check prior to acceptance and must be over 18 years of age. Citizens that complete the academy receive a certificate of completion from Chief Lee and Mayor Backus. The feedback from the academy has been overwhelmingly positive.

34 people attended the 2015 Citizen's Academy which was lead by Sergeant Brian Williams.



EXPLORERS



The intent of law enforcement exploring is to educate and involve youth in police operations, to interest them in possible law enforcement careers and to encourage community involvement. The education aspect provides knowledge of patrol operations, the justice system, and corrections operations. The intent of exploring also encourages involvement in the community by assisting in street fairs and events, traffic control, and security. The Post is committed to the philosophy of community oriented policing and the vital role that young people have in the concept. Being an Explorer offers many opportunities to learn valuable leadership and life skills, make new friends, interact with the public and most of all, have fun!



Skills Acquired

- Leadership
- Confidence
- Situational Awareness
- Public Speaking
- Discipline

Meeting Activities

- Practice Mock Scenes
- Learn Washington State Criminal and Traffic Laws
- Learn Basic Police Patrol Skills
- Team Building Skills
- Event Planning

Community Activities

- Traffic Control
- Security at Local Events
- Child Fingerprinting
- Assist in Training
- Participate in Competitions

APD Advisors

- Officer Ren Kapule
- Officer Chris Burger
- Officer Charlene Hoch



RECORDS DIVISION



The Records Division consists of a manager, 2 supervisors, 8 specialists, and 2 evidence technicians. The Records Division processed over 21,097 police reports in 2015 and is responsible for records retention along with providing statistical data for the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). In addition, they process warrants and court mandated orders. They administered 781 concealed pistol licenses, 2,138 firearm transfers, and 579 citizen's fingerprinting.



RECORDS MANAGER
CHRISTINE JAMES

Christine James, Police Records Manager, has been with Auburn PD since September 2012. Chris has 25 years of experience in law enforcement support services. Experience includes acting as an Accreditation Assessor for Washington Association of Sheriff's and Police Chiefs; Certified Public Records Officer with Washington Assoc. of Public Records Officers; graduate of Leadership Institute of South Puget Sound and Leadership in Police Organizations.



RECORDS SUPERVISOR
SANDI ULLRICH

The evidence room is staffed by evidence technicians Lisa Davies and Beth Bergeon who are responsible for the proper storage, disposal, and destruction of all the evidence and property taken into custody by the Auburn Police Department. The evidence technicians received 8,287 items in 2015 and disposed or destroyed 7,864 items.



RECORDS SUPERVISOR
JAMIE HELSIN



EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN
BETH BERGEON

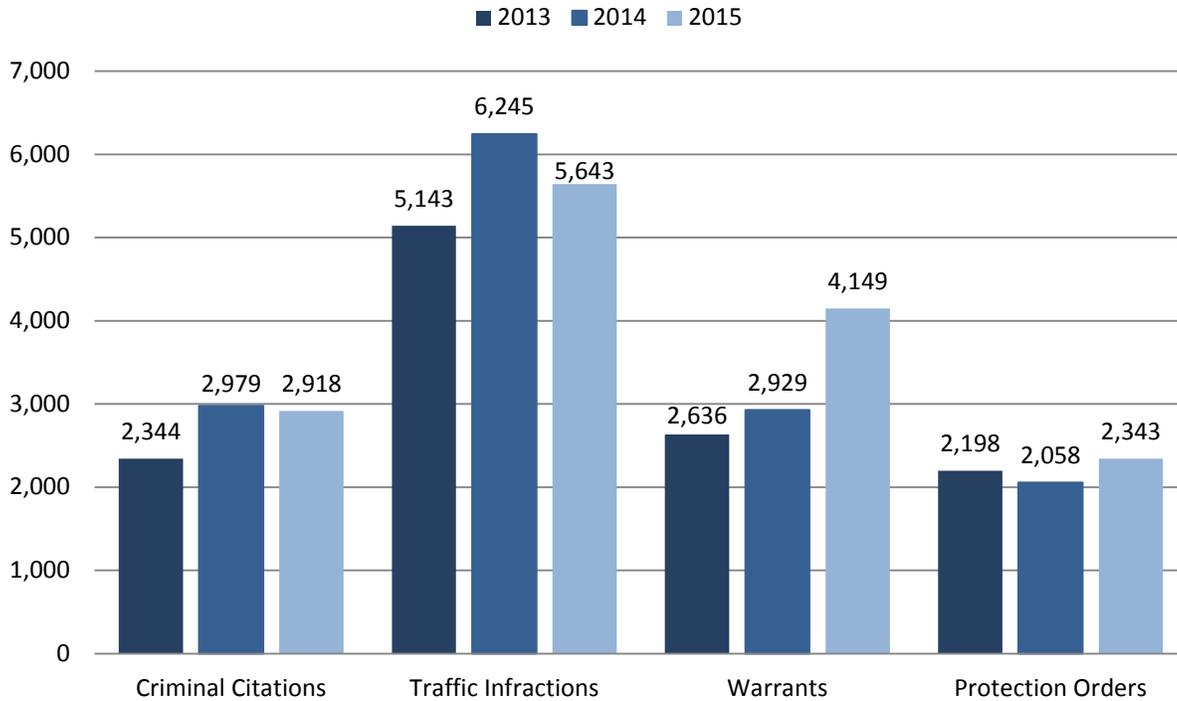


EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN
LISA DAVIES

PROCESSED REQUESTS

In addition to the 21,097 case reports, the Records Division processed thousands of citations, infractions, arrest warrants and protection orders.

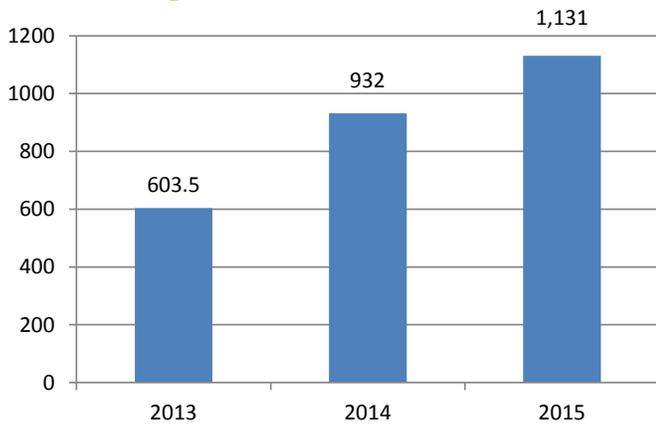
Records Processed



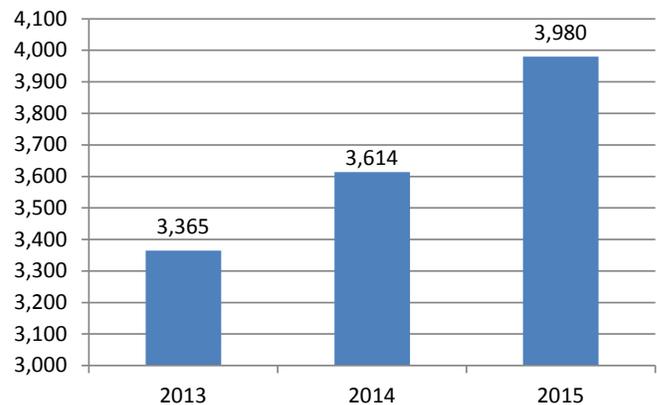
PUBLIC RECORDS REQUESTS

Gathering information for Public record requests has become a large part of the Records Division duties.

Hours Spent



Number of Requests



SPECIALTY UNITS



The Auburn Police Department supported the City and greater law enforcement community with a variety of well trained and equipped specialty units. They include, but are not limited to, the following:

- SWAT team
- Crime Scene Response Team
- Bicycle Unit
- Crisis Communications Unit (CCU – Hostage Negotiator)
- Civil Disturbance Unit (CDU – Riot Control)
- Honor Guard
- K-9 Officers
- VIT - Valley Investigations Team (Officer Involved Incident)



SWAT TEAM

The SWAT team trains three times a month and completes a team training week every year. The team was called out to execute 49 actual missions during 2015.



Types of Missions Executed (SWAT) 2015

Search Warrant	32
Barricaded Subjects	9
Dignitary Protection	7
Special Details	2

Officers during a recent SWAT training exercise at the Auburn shooting range.

These Auburn SWAT team members are part of the Valley SWAT team which is comprised of Auburn, Tukwila, Renton, Port of Seattle, Kent and Federal Way.

HONOR GUARD



The Auburn Police Honor Guard performs in numerous community events such as :

- Auburn Days Parade
- Veterans Day Parade
- Officer's Funerals

K-9 UNITS



The Auburn Police Department has two K-9 Units. Both are generalists (tracking dogs).

CIVIL DISTURBANCE UNIT (CDU)



The Auburn Police Department partners with Federal Way, Kent, Renton, Tukwila, and the Port of Seattle Police Departments to provide a well trained and equipped civil disturbance/civil disobedience response for South King County and the region. This unit has a fully equipped "Cut Team", skilled and equipped to defeat obstacles and locking devices commonly used by demonstrators



CDU team members push their formation through a cloud of CS Gas during their unified training.

ANIMAL CONTROL



Animal services in the City of Auburn are provided by the Auburn Police Department's Animal Control officer. If you are experiencing a life-threatening animal-related emergency, call 911.

For non-emergency animal control service, please call 253-931-3062 or the non-emergency police line at 253-288-2121. The Animal Control Officers respond to the following requests:

- Vicious animal complaints
- Animal complaints/bites
- Disruptive animals
- Injured wildlife
- Injured animal rescues
- Dead-on-arrival livestock/cats/dogs
- Police department calls for assistance
- Loose livestock on roadways
- Aggressive or sick animal pickup
- Animal cruelty investigations
- Wildlife in the living area of a home



Animal Control Officer Winner completed 1,070 calls for service in 2015. This included impounding 242 animals, issued 359 infractions, 45 citations, 240 written warnings, and 21 injured wildlife issues. He has been in the Animal Control field for the past 14 years, and has seven years experience as an Animal Control Officer. Animal Control Officer Winner completed a B.S. in Biology from Central Washington University in 2005. He has been employed with the City of Auburn, as such, since Dec. 2012, and he was previously an officer for the City of Indianapolis. ACO Winner owns an Australian Cattle Dog/Alaskan Malamute mix, and a cat.

MUCKLESHOOT OFFICER



The Auburn Police Department continues our relationship with the Muckleshoot Tribe with a law enforcement partnership. The department has a Muckleshoot Indian Tribe Officer assigned as a full time liaison with the Tribe and the King County Sheriff's Office Muckleshoot Detachment.

Officer Stephanie Bennett is our MIT officer and has been the liaison for this partnership since June 2014.

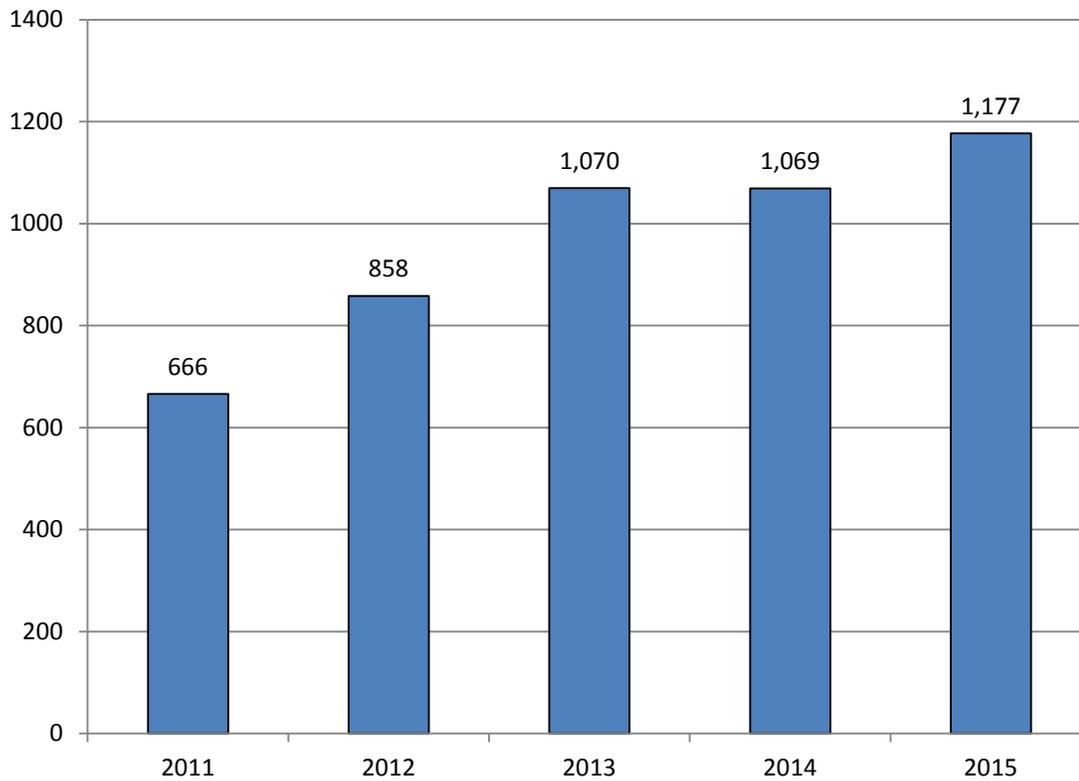
She is primarily responsible for incidents involving tribal members inside the city limits. Officer Bennett also assists King County Deputies outside the city limits on Muckleshoot related matters. Daily responsibilities include connecting with the Sheriff's Deputies to complete joint projects, as well as interacting with the Tribal Council, MIT Child and Family Services, MIT Security, MIT Code Enforcement and MIT Housing as a resource from the city. Officer Bennett has office space at the new community building located at Auburn Way South and Fir Street. Officer Bennett has been with the Auburn Police Department since 2011 and serves on the board of the Auburn Police Officers.



FALSE ALARMS

Scarce resources combined with an increased demand for services make responding to false alarms an extreme burden for public safety agencies. Non-critical calls for service, such as false alarms, decrease the amount of time officers spend responding to true emergencies and reduce the number of staff available for crime prevention. Without effectively managing false alarms, the number of false alarms continues to increase every year. With the comprehensive false alarm ordinance in place by the City of Auburn, our officers are freed to spend more time proactively patrolling their districts.

False Alarms



HAIL AND FAREWELL

THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL JOINED THE AUBURN POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 2015



**POLICE OFFICER
FERNANDO
CORDOVA**



**POLICE OFFICER
DON EVANS**



**POLICE OFFICER
GRANT LYONS**



**POLICE OFFICER
JOHN NIETO**



**POLICE OFFICER
AARON SCRIVO**



**POLICE OFFICER
MIKE MABIS**



**POLICE OFFICER
TANNER KNUTSEN**



**POLICE OFFICER
DREW FOSTER**



**POLICE OFFICER
JOHN VIDETTO**



**POLICE OFFICER
DILLAN CLAIRE**



**POLICE OFFICER
JEFF LEWIS**



**POLICE OFFICER
MATT ARNESON**



**POLICE OFFICER
JENNIFER
MCNAUGHT**



**RECORDS SPECIALIST
MELANIE JAY**



**RECORDS SPECIALIST
REBECCA WOOD**

THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL DEPARTED THE AUBURN POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 2015

Stacie Aleman, Trevor Asay, Heidi Brezynski, Deshanna Brown, James Hamil, Jeff McClane, Dave Melton, Landon Rhea, Josh Scott, Bill Sundqvist and Sue Van Trojen



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