

2018

North Canton Police Annual Report



Chief John Minock

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**ON THE COVER
MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**



Vision

- ❖ To effectively respond to the adaptive challenges created by a growing community that continues to maintain a low crime rate and high quality of life.
- ❖ Deliver policing that responds to the needs of the community and engages them to share in the responsibility of keeping North Canton a great community.

The North Canton Police Department is a professional organization continually seeking opportunities to serve our community through crime prevention involving education followed by implementation, perfecting the efficiency of our police department operations, and providing excellent customer service.

Mission Statement

The North Canton Police Department is committed *“to protect and serve the public with fairness, impartiality, and respect in accordance with the law, with the goal of making the City of North Canton a safe and desirable place to live, work and visit.”*

Fundamental Values

Integrity – Community Trust – Communications – Employee Trust –
Problem Solving & Leadership

Message From the Chief of Police



Welcome to the North Canton Police Department's 2018 Annual Report. This report includes information and statistics about the activities of the North Canton Police Department, and the services it provides. The information and crime statistics in this report are presented in separate charts or categories.

I feel a personal responsibility to ensure that our service meets North Canton's expectations. A combination of new, young officers and experienced veterans with the support of our Dispatch personnel has resulted in a very pro-active and effective presence in our city. The safety, security, and sense of well-being of every member of the North Canton community is the foremost responsibility of each individual within the Police Department. A big step forward this year is an agreement between the North Canton City School District and the City which facilitated the placement of two School Resource Officers full-time in the school buildings. Once again this year, the city and I can be proud of the job that our department has performed.

The interest that North Canton residents take in maintaining our quality of life is a major contributing factor in the success of the Police Department and the city. An amazing amount of cards, letters, phone calls, and other greatly appreciated gestures remind us of the crucial support we receive from our community. Information and feedback from citizens helps direct our efforts in service to the community.

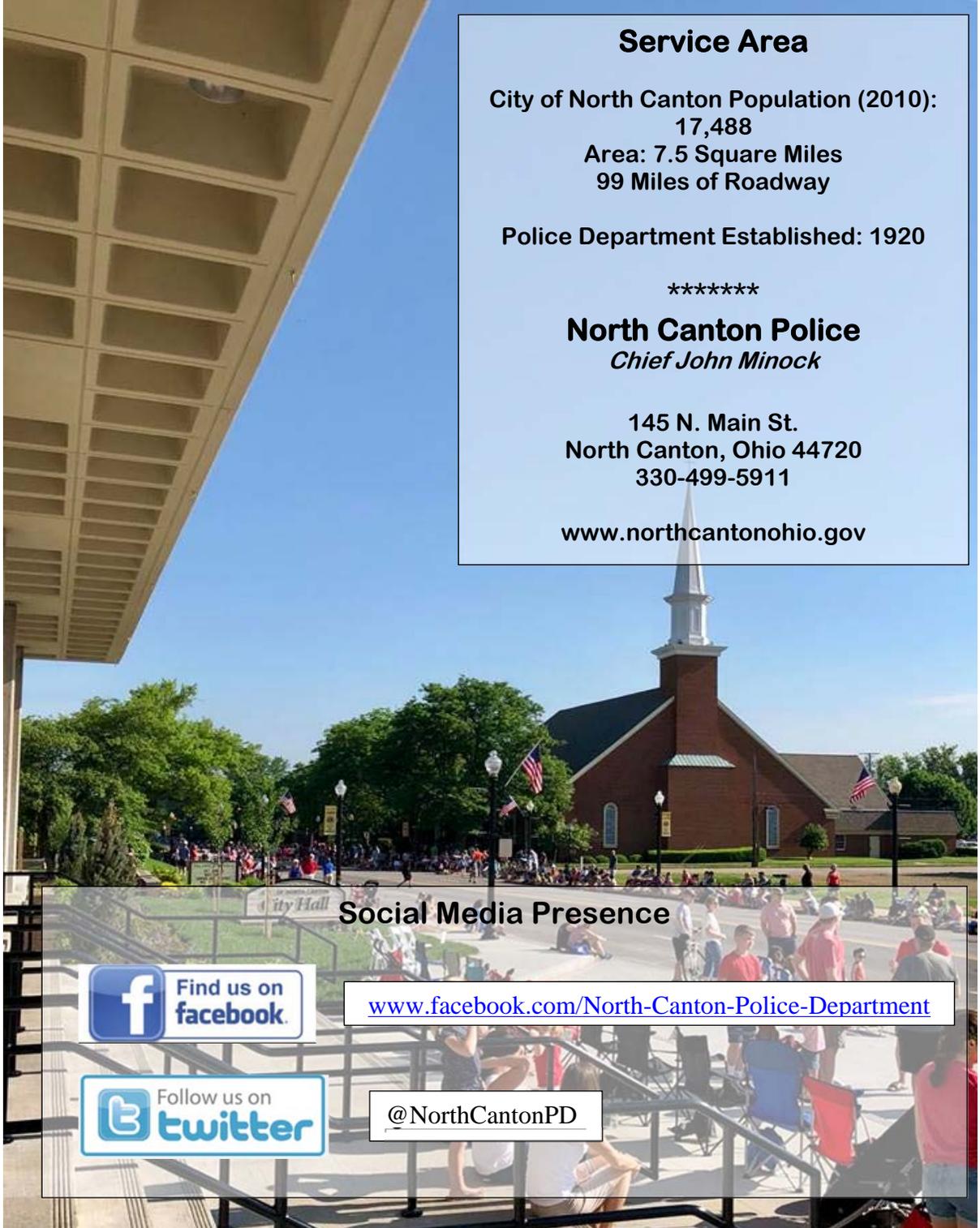
Thank you to all the residents of and visitors to our city for your continued help and support!

Sincerely,

John R Minock

John R Minock, Chief of Police

General Information



Service Area

City of North Canton Population (2010):
17,488

Area: 7.5 Square Miles
99 Miles of Roadway

Police Department Established: 1920

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Social Media Presence

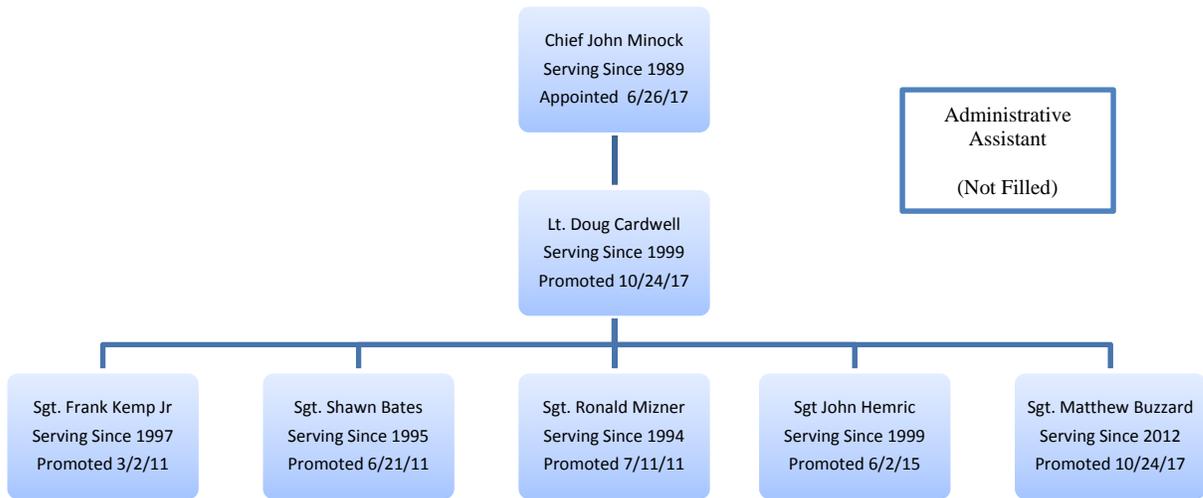


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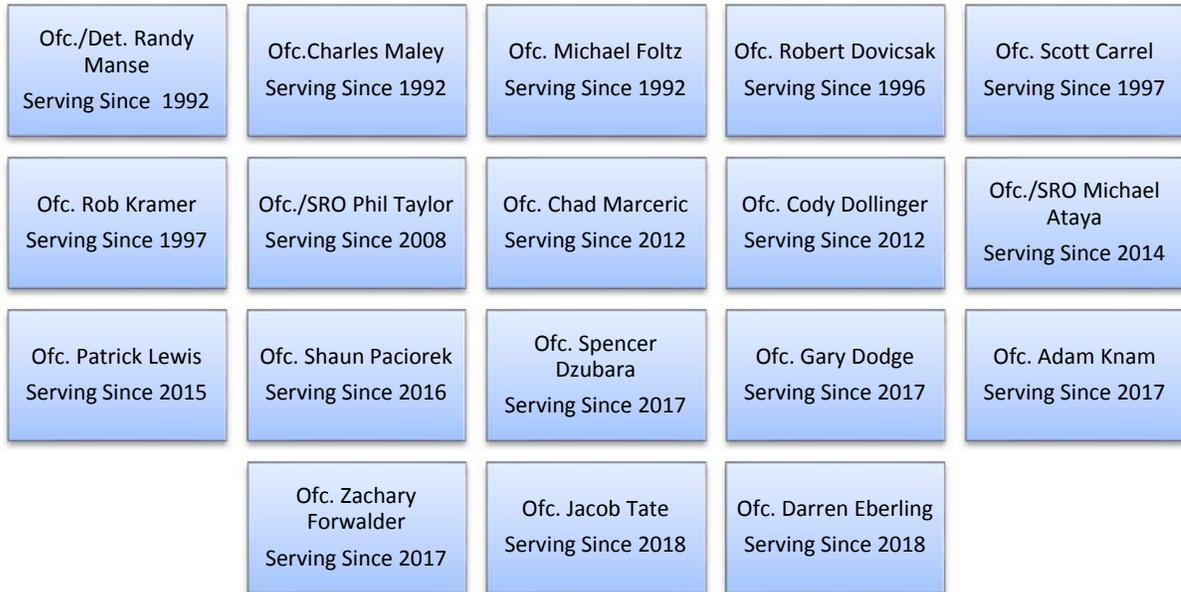


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Department Personnel / Rank Structure



Officers

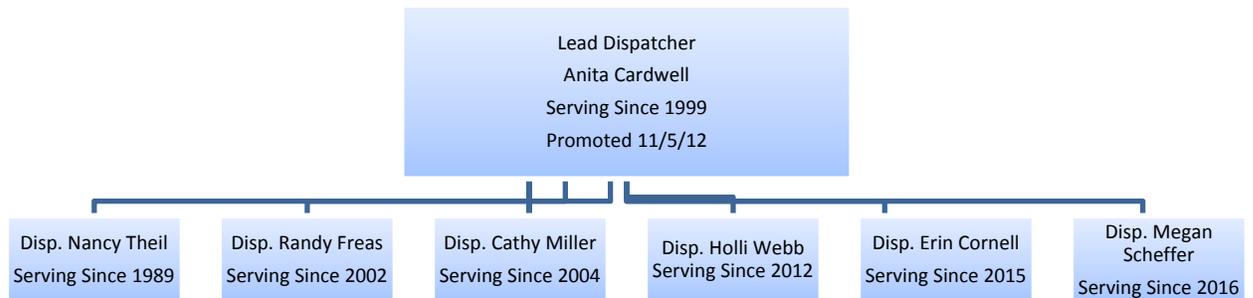


Part-Time Officers

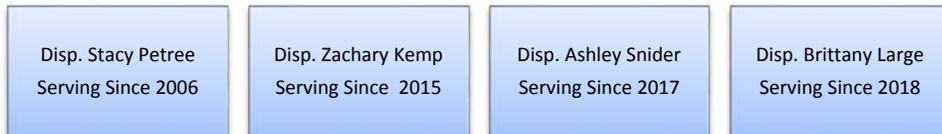


Department Personnel / Rank Structure (continued)

Communications / Records



Part-Time Dispatchers



In the hierarchy of the department structure the Lead Dispatcher reports to the Chief of Police.

Department Operations / Special Assignments

In addition to Patrol Duties many of our officers are assigned secondary special assignments to support our overall mission. Below listed in no specific order are some of the assignments and the allocation of officers/supervisors for 2018.

Regional Co-op Swat Team Members	3
Regional Crash Team Specialists	2
Crisis Negotiators	2
School Resource Officers	2
Certified Crime Prevention Specialists	3
Field Training Officers	5
Firearms Instructors	5
Stark County OVI Task Force	5
Public Information Officers	2
Stark Metropolitan Narcotics Bureau Member	1
U.S. Marshals Northern Ohio Violent Fugitive Task Force Member	1
Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Member	1
Internet Technology	2

Personnel Changes



Ofc. Jacob Tate



Ofc. Darren Eberling



Disp. Brittany Large

NEW HIRES

Jacob Tate Full-Time Officer
Darren Eberling Full-Time Officer
Brittany Large PT-Dispatcher

PROMOTIONS

None

MOVING ON

PT-Dispatcher Teresa Dameworth

Awards and Recognition

North Canton Police Department

2018 Heroism Ribbon Recipients



Ofc. Patrick Lewis

Ofc. Lewis ran into a burning house and helped evacuate the residents inside.



Ofc. Scott Carrel

Ofc. Carrel ran into a burning house and helped evacuate the residents inside.



Sgt. Matthew Buzzard

Sgt. Buzzard forced entry into an apartment fire and helped carry an injured resident to safety.



Ofc. Robert Kramer

Ofc. Kramer ran into an apartment fire and helped carry an injured resident to safety.

COMMUNICATIONS AND RECORDS

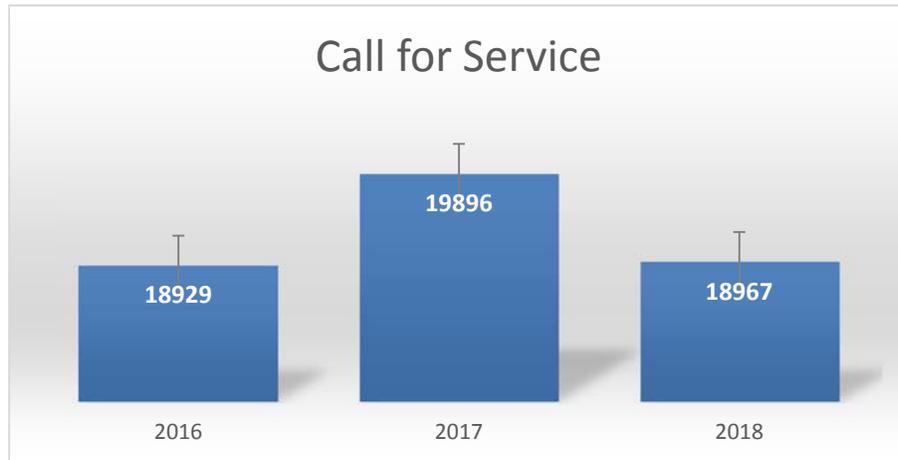
Housed within City Hall the Department operates a 24-hour Emergency Dispatch Center. The Center dispatches emergency and non-emergency calls for the Police, Fire, and EMS Departments. In addition the Center maintains interaction with the Street, Sewer, Water, and Engineering Departments as well as the Walsh University Police Department. The Center has seven full-time dispatchers with one serving as the Lead Dispatcher. It also currently has four part-time dispatchers to supplement the 24-hour scheduling.

The dispatchers are a vital and yet the least visible link between the community and each of the emergency services. They handle thousands of calls each year that include telephone calls, radio calls, alarm calls, TDD/TTY calls for the hearing impaired, 911 calls, and after-hour city service calls. They activate the tornado sirens, unlock the Knox Box keys, and they handle walk-in citizen contacts. Calls range from the mundane such as lost dogs, parking complaints, and “what time does the parade or fireworks start?” to serious life and death situations such as accidents with injury, structure fires, and “I don’t feel like living anymore.” It is the dispatcher’s responsibility to quickly assess the calls and decide what the proper response will be. This can range from simply answering a question, dispatching Police/Fire/EMS to a major incident, or keeping a suicidal caller on the line while simultaneously dispatching help.

The Center handles incoming 911 calls through the Sentinel E911 Patriot system provided by the Stark County Emergency Management Agency (EMA). There are two answering points that work in conjunction with mapping software to assist in determining the proper jurisdictional response to emergencies.

Dispatchers serve multiple functions that enable the Department to keep administrative and clerical staff at a minimum. As part of the dispatchers’ multi-tasking responsibilities they are responsible for record storage, record keeping, and record release functions. The dispatchers are responsible for the largest portion of data entry for the department. The center handles all

Law Enforcement Automated Data System (LEADS) and National Crime Information Center (NCIC) entries for our department as well as those for the Walsh University Police Department, which is located within the city’s jurisdiction. LEADS and NCIC computers serve as an electronic communication network to retrieve driver’s license information including images, criminal history checks, warrant notifications, parole status alerts to missing person, notifications about dangerous persons and incidents, and many other types of law enforcement data. Early in 2012 the department added Authority RedHawk Software to the Center and in the patrol cars. This software allows them to communicate over a secure server along with accessing and sharing much of the same information previously only available on station.

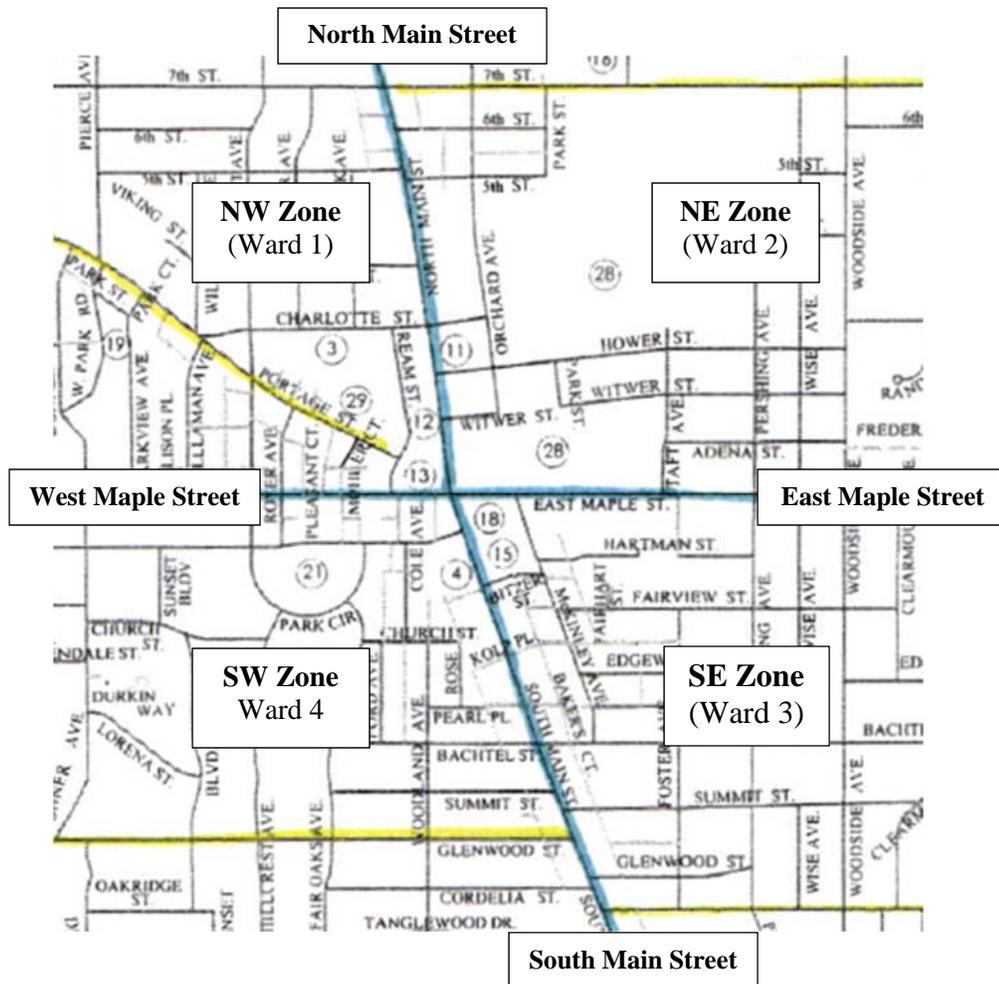


A Call For Service (CFS) is a computer entry made by the dispatcher on incidents that officers respond to, traffic stops, calls from citizens, EMS & Fire calls, hazards, arrests, other Agencies using our equipment such as the BAC Datamaster/Intoxilyzer 8000 machine, and other activities that the dispatcher or supervisor deem necessary. The CFS system allows the Department to track many activities and ensures an adequate response or check when needed. Calls For Service requiring additional follow-up are monitored by supervisors to insure that all calls are handled properly. The above chart shows the number of Calls For Service handled over the past 3 years.

UNIFORMED PATROL DIVISION

The Patrol Division comprises the largest and most visible segment of the department. During 2018 the Division consists of five sergeants, eighteen full-time patrol officers, and no part-time patrol officers. The Patrol Division is on duty twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Most of the patrol officers are assigned to the day shift, afternoon shift, or the midnight shift. One patrol officer is assigned to the swing shift to fill in as needed. There is a sergeant assigned to supervise each shift. The Shift-Sergeants report to the Lieutenant in Charge of Operations. The Lieutenant reports directly to the Chief of Police.

POLICE ZONES



For patrol purposes the city is divided up into four quadrants or zones. To keep things simple these zones match the street name direction designators. Depending on the shift and manpower there can be one patrol car assigned to each zone. At the minimum there will be a patrol car assigned to patrol both northern zones and one assigned to patrol both southern zones. In addition to the zone cars, there may be a floating car, which will randomly patrol all four zones, and a supervisor. Additional cars can be assigned to special patrol duties such as traffic enforcement, neighborhoods, accidents, etc.

The patrol officers are the first responders to a wide range of different calls ranging from domestic disputes, robberies, assaults, suspicious persons, noise complaints, and alarms. The patrol officers are the backbone of the police department and are directly responsible for our reputation of delivering great service. Most of the Patrol Division officers also have other assignments in addition to their patrol responsibilities.

Traffic issues and enforcement are a major responsibility of the Patrol Division, and probably account for most of the patrol officer's time. These duties include parking and traffic enforcement, and crash investigation.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

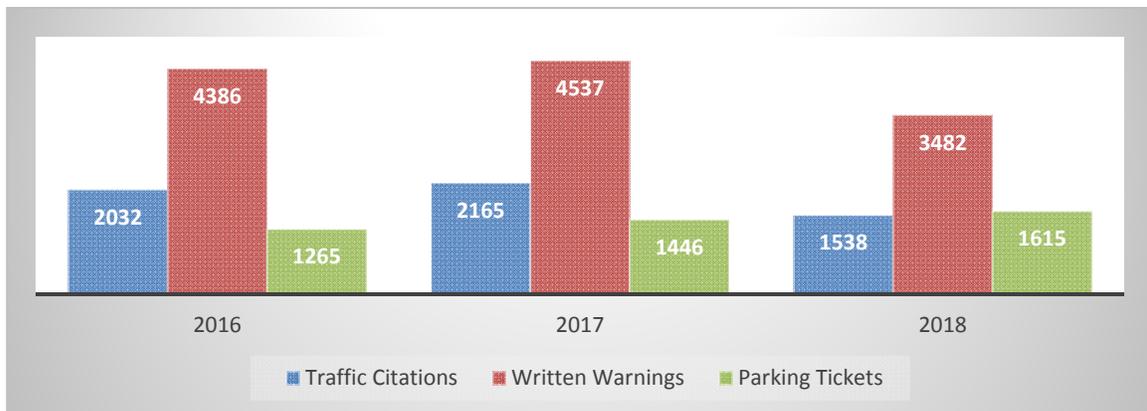
A citation can be issued for a violation of the traffic section of the City Ordinances or the Ohio Revised Code. At the end of 2017 Mayor's court was closed and all adult citations are now being sent to Canton Municipal Court. The Canton Municipal Court can hear violations of both City Ordinances and the Ohio Revised Code. The Stark County Family Court handles all juvenile traffic violations.



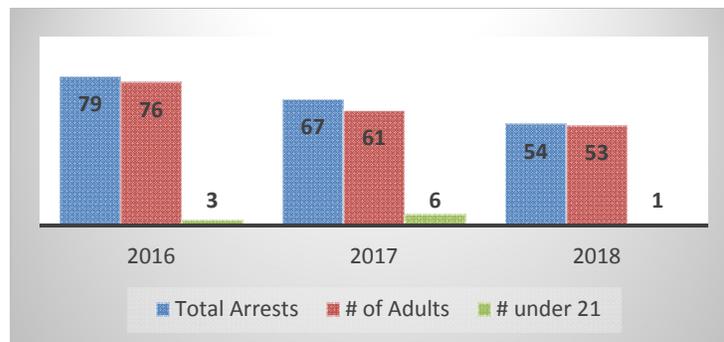
Officers have the discretion to issue a written warning for a traffic violation instead of a citation. This is sometimes done for minor offenses, equipment defects, recently expired license plates, or any other offense where a warning will suffice to promote compliance with the traffic code. Warnings are kept on file and the warning file is checked when a driver is stopped by an officer. This helps ensure that the same person does not receive multiple warnings for the same offense.

Parking tickets are issued for various violations of the Parking Ordinance. These include, but are not limited to, handicapped parking, fire lane, overtime, and no parking zone violations. Failure to pay multiple parking tickets can result in the vehicle being impounded.

TRAFFIC CITATIONS AND WARNINGS



O.V.I. ARRESTS



The total number also includes O.V.I Task Force Arrests



TRAFFIC CRASHES



OVI TASK FORCE

The North Canton Police Department continued its participation in the Stark County OVI Task Force in 2018. For 2018 the calendar year of operation ran from October 2017 thru September of 2018. The Task Force was funded by a state grant with the goal of reducing OVI related traffic crashes and incidents of operating a vehicle while impaired or distracted drivers. Nineteen Stark county law enforcement agencies make up the Stark County OVI Task Force. The Stark County Sheriff's Office continued as the administrator of the Task Force for 2018. Additional entities involved in the program include: Stark County Safe Communities, Stark County Health Department, MADD, Stark County Family Court, Canton Municipal Court, Stark County Common Pleas Court, Prosecutor's office, media outlets, and schools throughout Stark County.

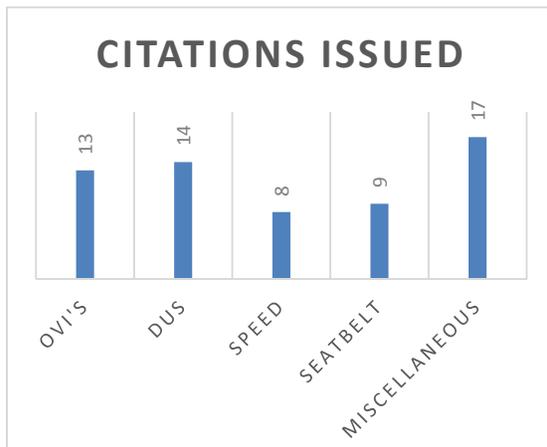
Sergeant John R. Hemric continued as the commander of the North Canton Police Departments OVI Task Force for 2018. He along with four other North Canton officers participated as members of the Stark County OVI Task Force. The Task Force objectives were to educate the public in safe driving and to deter drivers from driving while impaired by alcohol and/or drugs. The Task Force worked to achieve these goals by a combination of enforcement actions. They participated in saturation patrols, seatbelt enforcement patrols, and motorcycle enforcement patrols.



With assistance from the Stark County Sheriff’s Office and other members from other OVI Task Force agencies, the North Canton Police Department conducted four OVI Checkpoints in 2018. The department also participated in national campaigns: “Click it or Ticket” and “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over”.

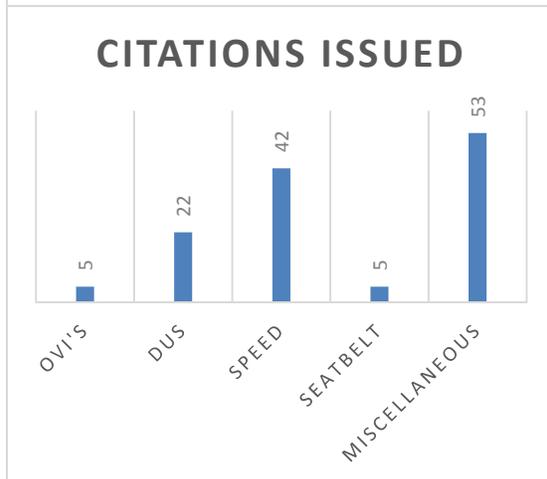
SATURATION PATROLS

The North Canton officers assigned to the Task Force worked a total of more than 200 enforcement hours in patrolling the roadways for impaired drivers while conducting over 350 traffic stops. All members of the OVI Task Force were sworn in as Special Deputies with the Stark County Sheriff’s Office, which gave them arrest powers anywhere in Stark County while working Task Force hours.



STATISTICAL DATA FROM THE 2018 OVI TASK FORCE CALENDAR YEAR

1. 13 Operating Vehicle Intoxicated
2. 9 Seatbelt Violations
3. 8 Speed Violations
4. 17 Miscellaneous Violations
5. 14 Driving Under Suspension Violations
6. 288 Written Warnings
7. 352 Traffic Stops



STATISTICAL DATA FROM THE 2018 "DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER" CAMPAIGN"

1. 5 Operating Vehicle Intoxicated
2. 5 Seatbelt Violations
3. 42 Speed Violations
4. 53 Miscellaneous Violations
5. 22 Driving Under Suspension Violations
6. 240 Written Warnings
7. 124 Traffic Stops

Speed Monitoring and Awareness

The North Canton Police Department continues the use of a Speed Monitoring Awareness Radar Trailer. The trailer consists of a radar unit and a large numeric display, which shows the motorist's speed. The "Speed Trailer" is used to make motorists aware of their speed. The Department utilizes the trailer to focus on problem areas.



The Department also utilizes two Stealth Stats, which are small radar units contained in pole-mountable cases. These units allow the Department to record the speed and number of vehicles using the targeted area. The data received from the Stealth Stats is generally more reliable, since drivers are usually unaware that the unit is there. The information compiled aids the Department in focusing on problem areas. The units are also utilized to conduct traffic counts, which assist in identifying needed changes to existing traffic controls.

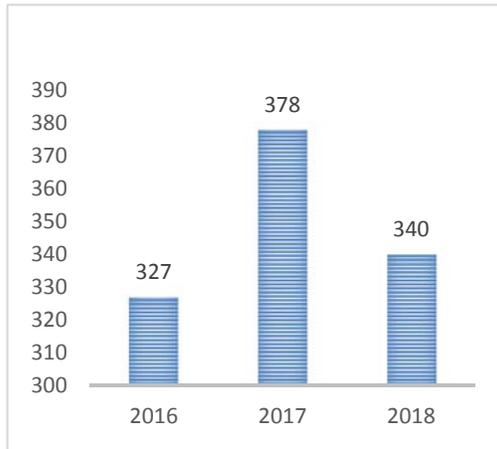
Any resident wishing to have the Speed Trailer or Stealth Stat placed in their neighborhood may call and make a request. All requests should be directed to Sgt. Ronald Mizner who oversees the program. He can be reached at 330-499-5911 or rmizner@northcantonohio.gov.

During the 2018 year the City continued adding new electronic speed signs throughout the area. The goal is to increase public safety by making driver's aware of how fast they are actually travelling compared to the posted Speed Limit. These signs are not being used for any enforcement actions.

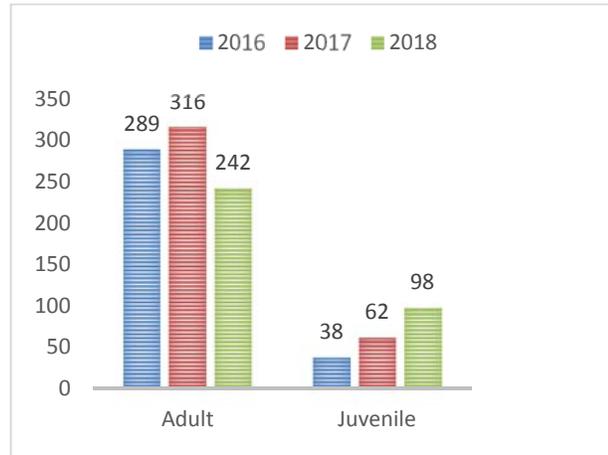


CRIMINAL CHARGES AND ARRESTS

Total Criminal Arrests



Adult vs. Juvenile Arrests



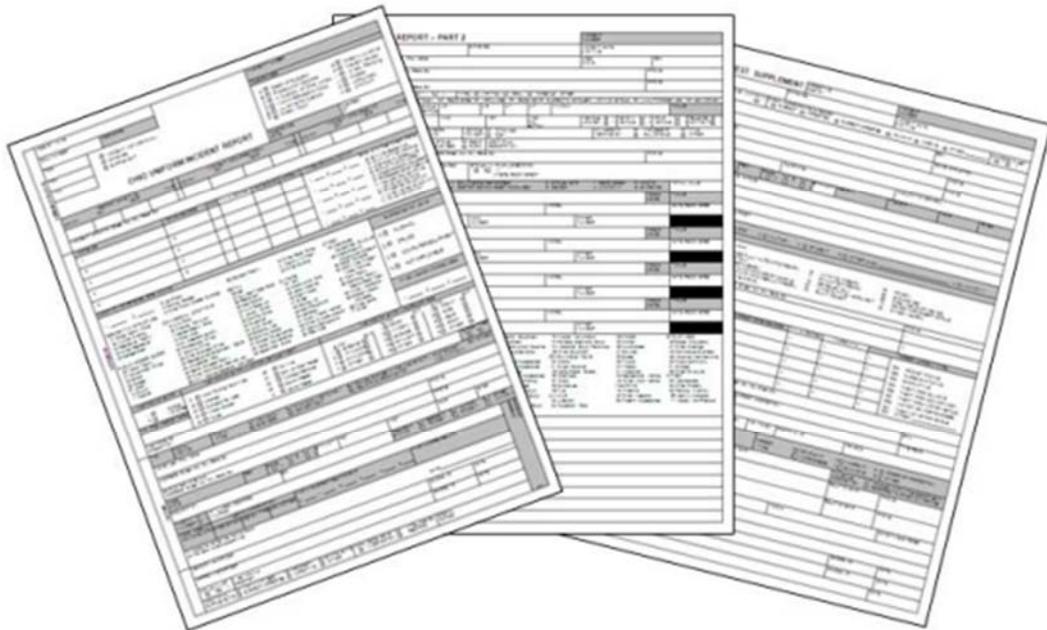
In 2018, the Police Department filed criminal charges against a total of 340 individuals: 242 adults and 98 juveniles. Criminal charges are classified as either a misdemeanor or a felony. Misdemeanors are considered less serious than felonies. Misdemeanor charges against adults are heard by Canton Municipal Court. Penalties range from a fine up to \$1,000.00 and/or incarceration in the County Jail for up to 6 months. Felony charges against adults are heard by the Stark County Common Pleas Court, and penalties generally range from a fine up to \$15,000.00 and/or a maximum of life in prison at a State Correctional Institute. Aggravated Murder convictions are also felonies and carry a maximum fine of \$25,000.00 and/or a possible death sentence. All traffic and criminal charges against juveniles are heard by the Stark County Family Court, unless that Family Court Judge refers the case to the Adult Court.

The patrol officers (reporting officers) file most criminal charges. The patrol officers are generally dispatched to reported crimes, and conduct the initial inquiry into those incidents. The officers start by conducting preliminary investigations and complete the initial reports. Other actions by the reporting officers might include but are not limited to: scene preservation, conducting interviews, and preserving and collecting evidence. Many times the reporting officers will make an on-scene arrest of the perpetrator(s). Further follow-up investigation

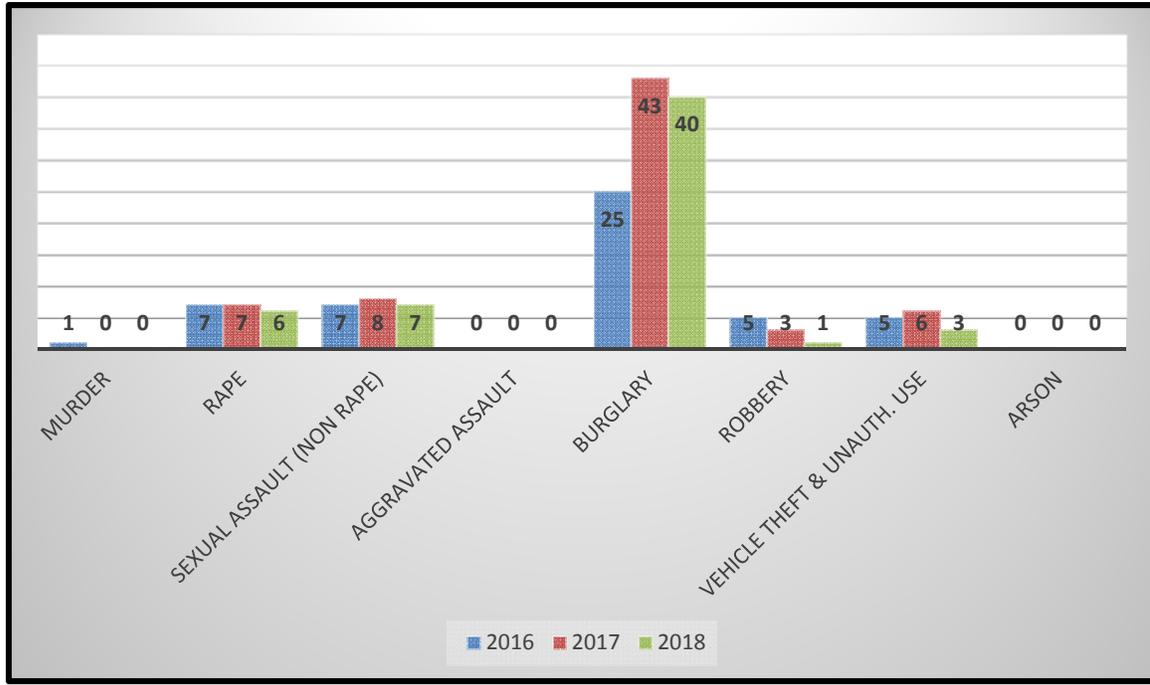
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might also be conducted by the patrol officers which could include consulting with the Prosecutor's Office about appropriate charges. If the patrol officer does not file charges on the case it might be referred to the Detective Bureau, another outside law enforcement agency, or non-law enforcement agency, or in some cases a combination of two or more agencies.

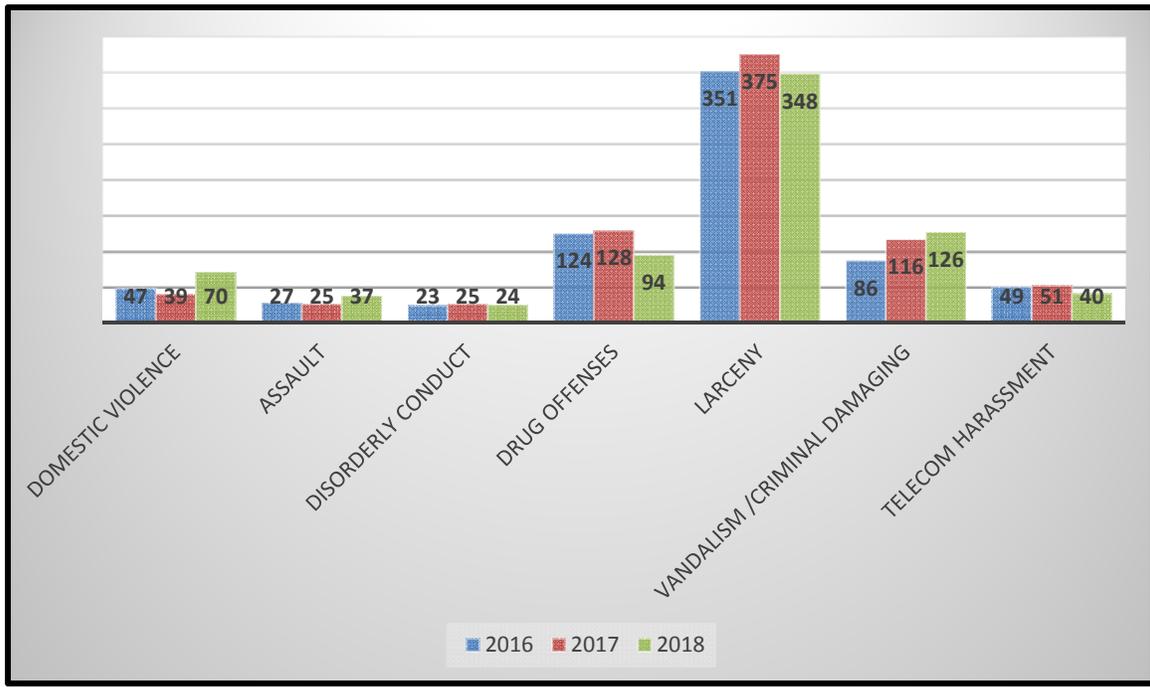
When charges are filed against a juvenile or adult, the offender can either be summoned to court or incarcerated at the Stark County Jail or Juvenile Attention Center, this depends on the type and severity of the offense.



CITY OF NORTH CANTON MAJOR CRIMES



PREVALENT CRIMES



DETECTIVE BUREAU



In 2018 the Detective Bureau consisted of one full-time officer. Continuing past practice, other officers have been assigned to the Detective Bureau on a part-time basis to assist with specific cases or heavy workloads.

During 2018 the Detective Bureau became involved in 134 investigations, 122 that were criminal cases. The Detective Bureau had an overall clearance rate of 61%.

The following are some of the duties the Detective Bureau performs on a regular basis:

- Criminal Investigations.
- Non-Criminal Investigations (e.g. missing persons).
- Background Investigations (for applicants).
- Internal Affairs Investigations
- Transport evidence to and from the crime laboratories.
- Transport evidence, paperwork, and reports to the prosecutor's offices, courts, and other criminal justice agencies.
- Monthly Stark County Criminal Intelligence meetings.
- Monthly Belden Village Retail Security meetings.

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All incident reports are forwarded to the Detective Bureau where they are reviewed and criminal cases are checked for any solvability factors. The cases that the Detective Bureau investigates ultimately get classified as one of the following:

- “Active Open” Case is actively being investigated by the Detective Bureau.
- “Inactive Open” Case that has not been cleared, but is not actively being investigated usually because of the lack of evidence.
- “Unfounded” Case that has been proven to be false.
- “Cleared” Case that has been closed for some reason. There are various reasons that cases are classified as “Cleared:”
- A suspect has been charged, indicted, or an arrest warrant has been issued.
 - The victim requests no further action or refuses to cooperate.
 - The case is solved, but no criminal charges are filed.
 - The case is solved, and the victim is referred to the prosecutor for further action.
 - The case is referred to another agency for follow-up.

DETECTIVE BUREAU INVESTIGATION STATISTICS

Year	Total Investigations	Total Criminal Cases	Total Criminal Charges Filed	Individuals Criminally Charged	Overall Clearance Rate %
2016	132	121	64	47	62.81
2017	125	119	70	52	60.50
2018	134	122	49	33	61

Detective Bureau Notable Cases 2018

- Recovered \$9,200 for elderly scam victim with the assistance of Norwalk CT Police Dept. The money was returned to the victim but unfortunately no arrests were able to be made.
- Investigation and felony criminal charges for multiple individuals from the Cleveland area that were cashing fraudulent business checks from different North Canton businesses.
- Investigation and felony criminal charges against an individual in Stark County for using a stolen Fleet gas card to purchase \$10,000 in gas over several months.

School Resource Officer

In 2018 the issue of safety in our schools became a main focal point, with concerns growing due to the increase in violence along with the disturbing high level of suicides among local youths. A regional safety tax was proposed to help offset costs associated with school safety, but it never came to fruition.



SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

However, during this time, Chief Minock and NCCS superintendent Jeff Wendorf began working on a safety plan to address these issues. They came to an agreement that placed two school resource officers in the district – each working a varied schedule that has them in multiple schools throughout the week. The North Canton City Schools and the City of North Canton will share the costs associated with both these officers.

SRO Phil Taylor



Officer Phil Taylor, a 1985 graduate of Hoover, has been a police officer for 18 years. Officer Taylor became a certified SRO in August 2018 but has been working in the schools off and on since January of 2018. Now full time in the schools, Officer Taylor hopes to be a mentor to the students and talk to them about making good choices that allows them to represent their school and family in a good light.

SRO Michael Ataya

Officer Michael Ataya has been a police officer, full-time and part-time, for nearly nine years. Officer Ataya became a certified SRO in October of 2018 and recognizes the importance of the position. Officer Ataya values the opportunity to influence students and help them choose the right path.



Regional Participation

Regional SWAT Team



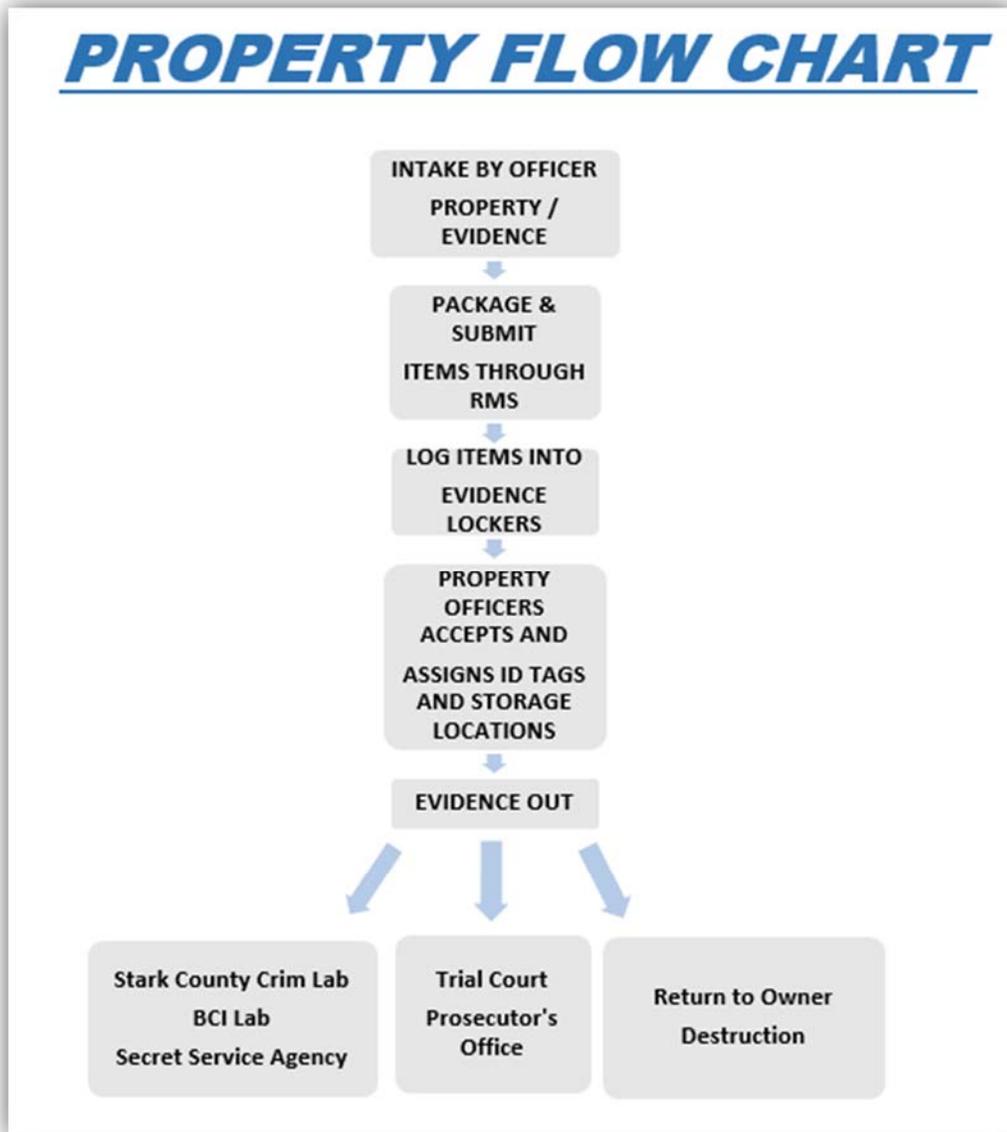
Stark County Sheriff's Office Metro Narcotics Unit

US Marshal's Fugitive Task Force



OVI Task Force

Republic Steel was used to burn all drugs, weapons, and other items not able to be re-used or donated. The Salvation Army received 17 bicycles that were recovered and donated for their Christmas Shop giveaway in December. The Stark County Domestic Violence Project received health and cleaning products to help supply the needs for their shelter. All of the old ammunition that could not be used for department use was turned over to the Summit County Bomb Squad for disposal.



Training Bureau

The North Canton Police Department's Training is coordinated by Sgt. Shawn Bates. The department has several certified instructors who conduct various training classes throughout the year. The topics covered by these instructors included, but were not limited to; field training topics, firearms, less lethal systems, OVI detection and testing, radar & laser speed measuring, and LEADS.



The State of Ohio did not have any “Continuing Professional Training” requirements for sworn part-time or full-time officers in 2018. However, even with no state mandates, the department continued to send officers to additional training throughout the year to stay



current with the ever-changing world of law enforcement. This training was selected for the officer as either a “core” training topic that all officers receive during their careers or it may have been based on an officer's current specialty assignment. With driving being a

major area of liability for the department, all officers were sent to at least one emergency response driving class in 2018. These refresher courses teach officers about vehicle dynamics, evasive maneuvering, and threshold/ABS braking techniques.

In 2018 dispatchers were scheduled for multiple training classes and seminars with the continued goal of each full-time dispatcher being scheduled for at least one. A major focus this year was Emergency Medical Dispatching (EMD), with dispatchers receiving training in properly determining the nature and priority of medical calls, then providing the caller instructions to help treat the patient until the responding EMS unit arrives.

Officers

2018 Courses			
CMI Seminar	NTM/Quick Clear Class	AR15/M16 Armorer School	BMV Investigations
Self/Buddy Aid	Ohio Crime Prevention Conf.	Intoxilyzer 8000	Documenting Crash Scenes
ARIDE	Crisis Management for Schools	Level 1 Traffic Crash School	RADAR Operation
Pursuit Supervision	Stark CIT	2018 Stark LE Conference	EROC Emergency Response
Animal Cruelty & Fighting	Reid Investigation 4 day	2018 JPJOA Conference	Sexual Assault Symposium
Revolver Instructor	Mid-Level Management	EROC Pursuit Operations	Child Abuse Investigation
Sex Crimes Investigations	Child Sex Abuse	ALICE Instructor	M&P Armorer
SRO Basic	First Line Supervision	SRO Introductory Course	DV: Beyond the Obvious
AAA CarFit	FEMA: Medical Preparedness	Elder Abuse	Evidence Room Management
Crisis Reality: Lockdown	Marsy's Law	APX6000-6500 Portable Training	

Dispatcher

2018 Courses			
CMI Seminar	APCO EMD	CIT for Dispatchers	MCC-700 Console Training
Am I Just a Dispatcher	Crimes in Progress	CTO	

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In 2018 the Training Bureau continued to be responsible for reviewing all Reaction to Resistance reports filed by the Department’s officers. An officer is required by department policy to file a report any time a weapon is displayed/used or physical force is used to gain compliance or overcome resistance from a subject. This review is done to ensure that policies and procedures are being followed and that any issues or patterns that may arise are addressed.

REACTION TO RESISTANCE REPORTS	2016	2017	2018
Total number of incidents resulting in a Reaction to Resistance Report	23	14	20
Number of those incidents which resulted in an arrest	19	10	17
Number of those incidents which resulted in claimed or observed injury	1 Officer 4 Subjects	2 Officers 3 Subjects	2 Officer 2 Suspects
Number of officers who generated at least one report	17	16	13
The levels of force used by officers in 2018 include:			
Empty hand control, Taser displayed, Taser Deployed, and Firearm displayed			

The Training Bureau also reviews all reported pursuits to insure compliance with the Department’s policies and procedures.

VEHICLE PURSUITS	2016	2017	2018
Total number of Incidents resulting in a <i>Vehicle Pursuit</i> report	4	0	5
Total number of officers that generated at least one report	6	0	5
Number of these incidents that resulted in the vehicle being stopped	1	0	1
Number of pursuits that were called off by officer or supervisor	3	0	4
Number of incidents that resulted in an eventual arrest/charge of suspect	4	0	2
Number of incidents that resulted in a crash	0 Officers 0 Suspects 1 Other Vehicles	0 Officers 0 Suspects 0 Other Vehicles	0 Officers 0 Suspects 0 Other Vehicles

School Crossing Guards

The Police Department hires, trains, and helps pay for adults to be school crossing guards during the school year. The North Canton City School District reimburses the city for half of the expense of funding the crossing guards. The crossing guards are responsible for the stellar safety record that we have in getting our children to and from school safely. Twice a day and in all kinds of weather these crossing guards perform their duties at eight selected sites in the city.



We have crossing guards stationed at the following locations:

- Clearmount Ave. S.E. / East Maple St.
- Main / Maple Streets
- West Maple St. / Hillcrest Ave.
- North Main St. / Charlotte St.
- Schneider St. / Clearmount Ave. S. E.
- 200 block of South Main Street
- South Main St. / Bachtel St.
- Glenwood St. S.W. / Fair Oaks Ave. S.W.

Crime Prevention



The Police Department is a member of the **Ohio Crime Prevention Association** and has 3 certified Crime Prevention Specialists; Detective Randy Manse, Ofc. Phil Taylor and Sgt. Frank Kemp Jr.

Those members of the department have attended the basic Introduction to Crime Prevention – 3 Day Course and have passed the Certification Exam required to attain the title of Crime Prevention Specialist (CPS). These officers also attend yearly Continuing Education Training to maintain their credentials.

Citizens of North Canton can request assistance from the department to conduct training related to a variety of crime prevention topics which could include:

- Personal Safety and Awareness
- Identity Theft
- House of Worship Safety
- Safe Work Environments to include A.L.I.C.E
- Crisis Response
- Residential Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design
- Child ID
- Cyber Safety

Community Events



The Police Department participated in many community events in 2018. In many cases the Police Department provided traffic control and/or security for these events. In other cases the Department exchanged information with various groups regarding safety and crime prevention. Regardless of our specific role with these events, our participation shows our commitment to the goal of making the City of North Canton a safe, and desirable place to live, learn, work, and visit.



By far the North Canton YMCA 4th of July Race is one of the largest events held in town. The picture below shows the multi-agency cooperation we get to help provide a safe event.



Our Thanks goes out to: Stark County Sheriff's Deputies, Louisville Police Officers, Uniontown Police Officers and all of the local Fire Departments that assist us every year.

Prescription Drug Drop Off at NCPD



Joining with Stark County Mental Health & Addiction Recovery, a Drug Free Stark County & the Opiate Task Force of Stark County in cooperation with Stark County Police Chiefs' Association

- Program collects medications & disposes of them without harming the environment
- CONFIDENTIAL – no questions asked, and no identification needed
- Located inside the rear entrance doors to City Hall – accessible 24/7

PLEASE NOTE WHICH ITEMS ARE ACCEPTABLE AND UNACCEPTABLE:

Acceptable Items:



Prescription Medications (Pills Only)



Over-the-Counter Medication (Pills Only)

Unacceptable Items:

No Syringes, Inhalers or Liquid Medications
(Prescription or Over-the-Counter)

Equipment

AXON CAR CAMERAS

During the spring of 2018 the Department upgraded from our older, outdated L3 Mobile Vision Camera systems to the new Axon Fleet Cameras for every marked patrol car in service. This change came after officers were equipped with Axon Body Cameras in the summer of 2017. The new fleet system allows us to combine all recorded videos, body and car, into one central digital evidence storage system.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Dispatch Center utilizes a Motorola MCC5500 radio console and, as an emergency backup, a Motorola EX600XLS radio. The radio repeater located in the city ensures reliable communications with all police and fire units. However, should something happen to the repeater, it is an instant switch to bypass the repeater and use a “talk around” channel to keep communication lines open. The vehicles are still equipped with Motorola radios of sufficient wattage to operate safely in the city even without the repeater.

Over the past few years the department has been progressively adding MARCS capable radios to its inventory. These newer radios will allow North Canton Police the ability to communicate and monitor the radio activities of the adjacent jurisdictions.

LTI 20/20 TruSpeed Laser Speed Guns

In an ongoing effort to make the streets safer and ultimately save lives, we added two new TruSpeed laser speed guns in 2018. These new speed guns replaced two of our older models that were at the end of their life cycles.



POLICE FLEET

The Police Department maintains a fleet of 15 vehicles used for operations. We have 7 marked cruisers which are used daily, 2 older marked cruisers that are used as court cars and for special details. We have 4 unmarked police vehicles which are used by the Chief, Lieutenant, Detective Bureau, and others for transportation. In 2018 the Police Department purchased 2 New Marked Ford Police SUVs to replace older cruisers as part of our normal rotation of the fleet. Also, in 2018 we modified 2 older marked cruisers, turning them into school resource officer cars specially marked with the school logos and the unit numbers of the assigned SRO's.



The information used in the preparation of this report was obtained from the records of the North Canton Police Department.