

Dover Police Department

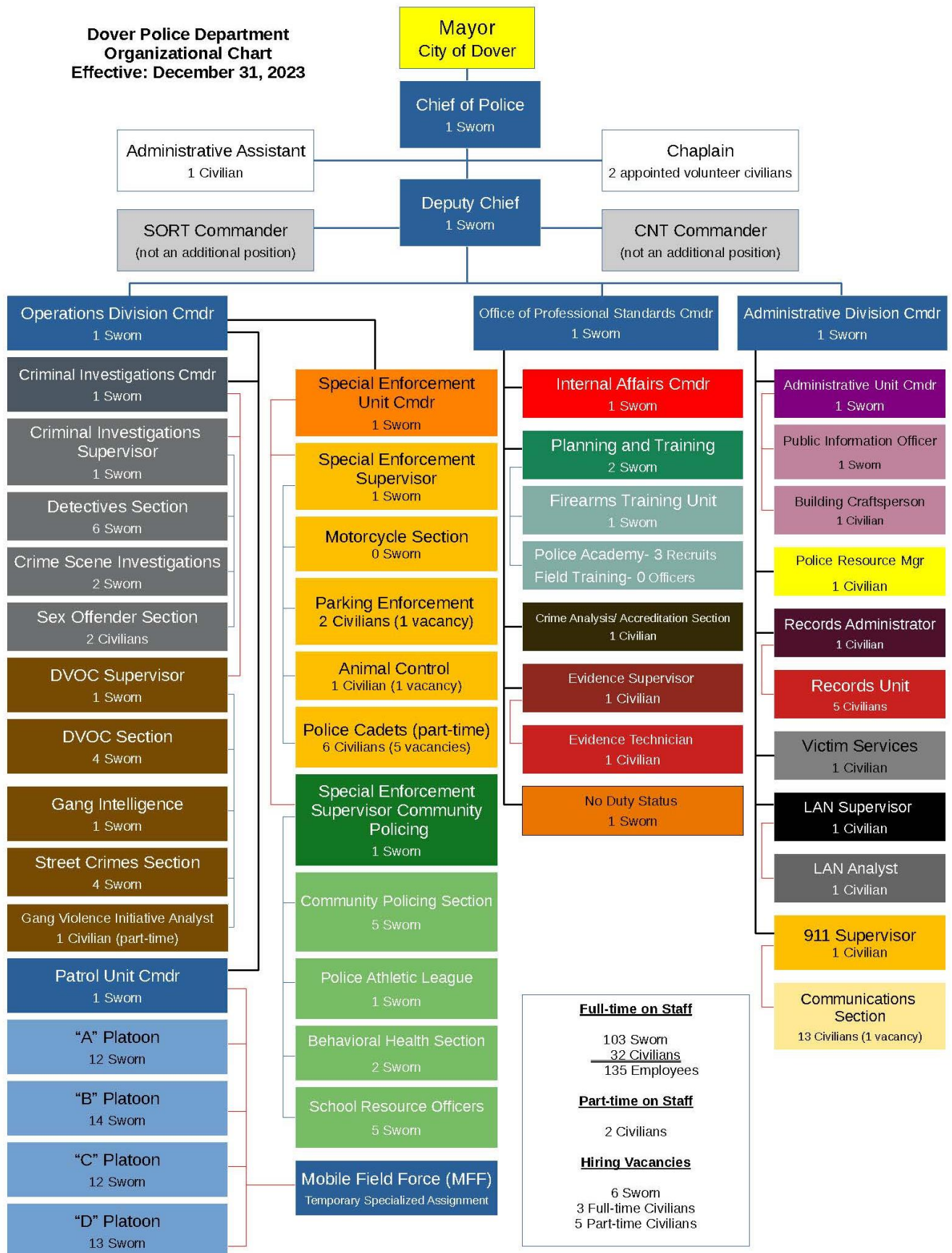
# 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

THOMAS A. JOHNSON JR.  
CHIEF OF POLICE



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**Dover Police Department  
Organizational Chart  
Effective: December 31, 2023**





# City of Dover Police Department

## Sworn Staff



**Thomas A. Johnson, Jr.**  
Chief of Police



**Major David Spicer**  
Deputy Chief of Police



**Captain Randy Robbins**  
Operations Division Commander



**Captain Kevin Kober**  
Office of Professional Standards  
Commander



**Captain Aaron Dickinson**  
Administrative Division Commander



**Lieutenant Robert Roswell**  
Criminal Investigations Commander



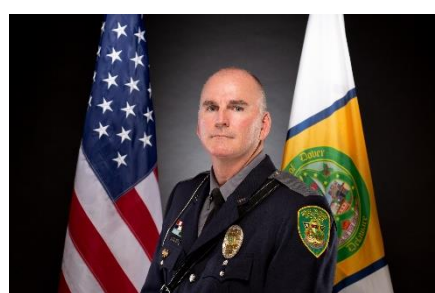
**Lieutenant Paul Kuntzi**  
Patrol Unit Commander



**Lieutenant Jordan Miller**  
Special Enforcement Unit  
Commander



**Lieutenant Kevin Streadwick**  
Internal Affairs  
Commander



**Lieutenant Derek Lawson**  
Administrative Unit  
Commander

# City of Dover Police Department

## Civilian Administrative Staff



Police Resource Manager  
**Robin Adkins**



911 Communications Manager  
**Matthew Carey**



Evidence Manager  
**Frank Grosso**



Senior LAN Analyst  
**Christopher Menge**



Records Unit Supervisor  
**Emily Waldrige**

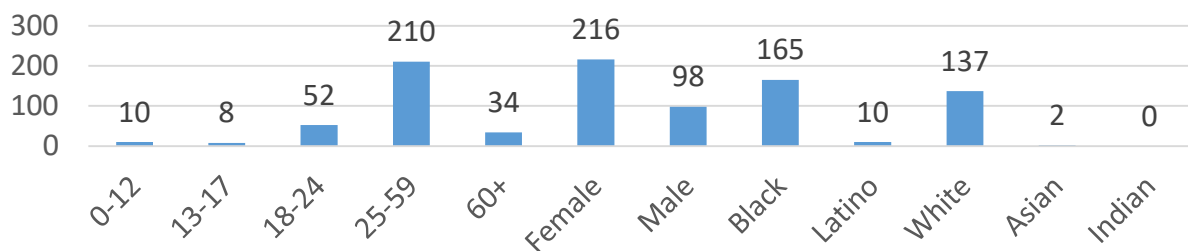
# VICTIM SERVICES UNIT

This year saw some changes in the Victim Services unit as **Ms. Diane Glenn** retired after a thirty-year career with the Dover Police Department. In July of 2023, Victim Services Coordinator **Casey Wilson** became part of the Dover Police Department team! With over 15 years of experience in the victim services field, Casey continues to provide professional and critical response to crime victims and their families. Each victim and their family are provided with a supportive environment to assist them through difficult times and decisions in their lives. Our goal is to help **lessen the trauma** suffered and **provide support** throughout the criminal justice process. Services provided to crime victims and their families vary in each case depending upon the needs of the individual.

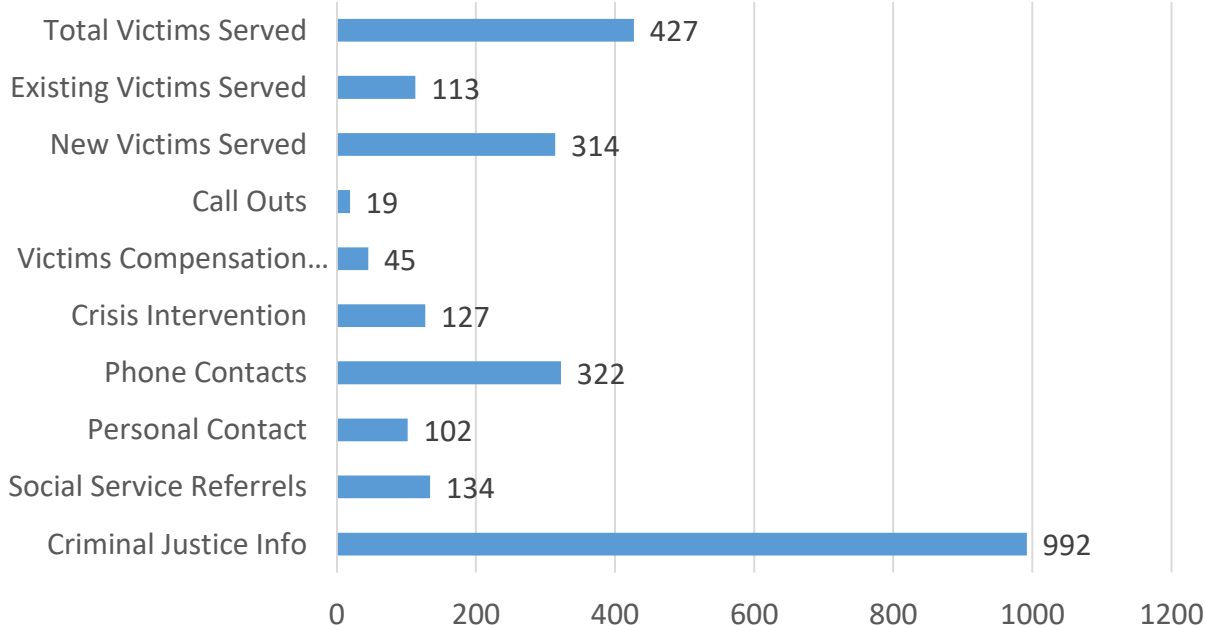
In addition to her daily duties and responsibilities, Casey continues to serve the Department on a 24-hour basis responding to critical incidents and call outs. Dedicated to the Department's mission, she also serves on several task forces throughout the state to keep officers and detectives informed on current events and changes in victim legislation and services.

Services include: death notifications, crisis intervention, referrals to community-based services, criminal justice updates, court accompaniments, assistance with filing for violent crime compensation, as well as a host of other services as needed in each particular case. The Dover Police Department is committed to the **fair, compassionate, and dignified treatment of all crime victims**. We continue to strive to improve and enhance all services related to helping victims and survivors through such traumatic events.

Age/Gender/Ethnicity - 2023



Client Services - 2023



# **PLANNING & TRAINING UNIT**

The Planning and Training Unit is responsible for all aspects of training, recruitment, and applicant testing. Planning and Training ensures that all sworn and civilian members of the Department receive training in compliance with the standards established by the Delaware Police Officer Standards & Training Commission (POST), Departmental Policies, the Commission on Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) standards, and Federal mandates.

The Planning and Training Unit also provides training to outside agencies upon request and assists the Dover Municipal Police Academy with instruction and physical fitness tests. Continuing with Leadership Training, the Department hosted the FBI Leadership Development Courses in conjunction with the Delaware Department of Alcohol and Tobacco Enforcement (DATE).

The unit is also responsible for all newly hired police officers from their first day of orientation through to their completion of the Field Training Program. Throughout the year, Planning and Training participates in various regional job fairs and special presentations in an effort to recruit talented and diverse applicants.

## **Major Training Accomplishments for 2023:**

7 new Police Officers hired

15 new civilian team members hired

771.25 civilian training hours

10,944 sworn officer training hours

26 out of state training schools attended

180 ride-along hours

Hosted FBI Leadership Courses (LEEDA) in coordination with D.A.T.E.

35<sup>th</sup> class of the DPD Citizen Police Academy (9-week program)

7 formal Recruiting Events

4 “How To Succeed in the Hiring Process” Seminars

# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

## Detective Section

The Criminal Investigations Unit, Detective Section, has nine full-time Detectives assigned to the unit.

The Section is tasked with the **responsibility to investigate the most serious crimes** that occur in Dover. Major Crimes include Homicide, Burglary, Robbery, Rape/Sexual Assault, Shooting investigations, **as well as crimes against children and other special victims**. The Section conducts a variety of fraud and identity theft investigations. It is also responsible for comprehensive background investigations on all civilian and sworn applicants.

In 2023, the Criminal Investigations Unit, Detective Section, continued to maintain the tradition of **exceptionally high clearance rates** for all major crime categories.

	2022	2022 Clearance Rate	2023	2023 Clearance Rate
Homicide	3	67%	2	100%
Shootings	40	68%	46	63%
Burglary	25	84%	55	75%
Robbery	21	81%	26	85%
Rape	80	86%	79	84%

A further review of shootings in 2023 revealed a reduction in total confirmed shots fired (55) as compared to 2022 (60). However, those 55 calls resulted in a total of 46 reportable crimes compared to only 40 in 2022. Another comparison reveals a **considerable decrease in the amount of victims struck by gunfire** in 2023 as compared to 2022. In 2022, approximately 55% (22) of the 40 reported shootings resulted in a victim struck by gunfire. However, in 2023 only 24% (11) of the 46 reported shootings resulted in an injury sustained to the victim.

Shootings	2022	2023
Total confirmed shots fired	60	55
Reports	40	46
Injury Sustained	22	11
Property Damage/Misc.	18	35
Clearance Rate	68%	63%



# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

## Detective Section

### *Noteworthy Homicide Investigation*

On December 14, 2023 at 8:45 p.m., police were called to the unit block of Ann Avenue for shooting that resulted in the death of a 59 year-old-male and an upper body injury to a second male victim. The initial investigation revealed that an unknown suspect fired at the victims from a concealed position. Based upon certain similarities, detectives began to link the homicide on Ann Avenue with two previous “ambush style” shootings that occurred in the general vicinity on December 2 and December 8, 2023.

At 5:34 a.m. on December 2<sup>nd</sup> police were called to the Wawa store at 1450 Forrest Avenue for a report of shooting. Officers contacted a 45 year-old male victim who had been shot in the upper body while walking in the parking lot of the business. The victim was unable to identify the suspect or the source/direction of the gunfire. The victim was transported to Bayhealth-Kent Campus for non-life-threatening wounds and later released. Further investigation revealed that the suspect fired from a concealed position on the store property.

At 2:04 a.m. on December 8<sup>th</sup> police were called to Village and Quail Hollow Drives for a report of shooting. Officers contacted a 35 year-old male victim who had been shot in the upper body while walking in the area. Again, the victim was unable to identify the suspect or source of the gunfire. He was transported to Bayhealth Kent Campus where he was treated and admitted for serious injuries. Detectives later confirmed that the suspect fired from a concealed position.

The extensive investigation included a **review of video** surveillance from all three incidents, data from recently acquired **vehicle identification technology**, **interviews** with witnesses and surviving victims, and comprehensive **crime scene examinations**. Intelligence and evidence gathered from all three crime scenes helped link the chain of events and developed a single suspect. Within 24 hours of the homicide and attempted homicide on December 14<sup>th</sup>, the suspect responsible for all three shooting incidents was **identified and arrested** for one count of Murder 1<sup>st</sup> degree, three counts of Attempted Murder 1<sup>st</sup> degree, and related weapons charges.



Based upon the hard work, experience, skill, and collaboration within the Criminal Investigations Unit, a violent individual, responsible for random acts of violence, was arrested and charged accordingly. For their collective efforts, each member of the unit was awarded the **Exceptional Performance** commendation.

Press Conference: December 27, 2023  
announcing the arrest and charge list  
Photo credit: Bay to Bay News

# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

## Drugs, Vice & Organized Crime (DVOC) & Street Crimes Sections

The Drugs, Vice, and Organized Crime (DVOC) and Street Crimes Sections have a combined total of 10 officers assigned. Three (3) of them are also assigned to Federal Task Forces encompassing the U.S. Marshals Service, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms. While technically labeled as separate units, both Sections are successful in achieving their overall goals and objectives by **working together as one cohesive unit**.

In 2023, the members of DVOC and Street Crimes continued focusing their investigative efforts on guns, gangs and arresting violent offenders. Through a collaborative effort, they were responsible for the seizure of **127 illegal firearms**. It is clear those cases directly contributed to the **31% decrease in shootings resulting in injury** during the reporting period. The units also continued to make significant illegal drug seizures involving marijuana, cocaine, ecstasy, prescription pills, heroin, fentanyl and methamphetamine. A total of **\$163,347 in illegal drug proceeds** was seized.

	2022	2023
Marijuana (Grams)	23,3341.13	23,752.48
Cocaine (Grams)	1,945.82	13,646.99
Heroin (Grams)	126.26	1,101.02
Ecstasy (Doses)	294.16	2,282.5
Prescription Pills	1,976.75	60.5
Methamphetamine (Grams)	5,689	2,801
Fentanyl (Grams)	455.31	9,415.56
Firearms	134	127
Currency	\$151,419	\$163,347
Case Total	1,679	943

# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

## DVOC & Street Crimes Sections

### *Noteworthy Drug Investigation*

DVOC and Street Crimes Officers participated in a **federal wiretap** investigation named “In the Trenches.” The investigation targeted a **main supplier of cocaine, crack cocaine, and fentanyl** throughout New Castle and Kent Counties. The investigation began on March 22, 2023 and included three individuals who would purchase large quantities of drugs from the main target and then distribute primarily in and around the City of Dover.

Dover Officers contributed over **3,000 working hours** and an additional **450 hours of overtime** throughout the investigation as the case required around the clock, seven days a week monitoring to ensure success. This extremely taxing monitoring activity included a variety of high impact vehicle surveillance, wiretap phone calls, and other administrative duties. Due in large part to the efforts of our Officers, Task Force detectives were able to observe, photograph, and intercept multiple large-scale drug deals or shipments that aided in obtaining the key search warrants required for the culmination of this investigation.

On May 17, 2023 the operation concluded with six search warrants, three of which were located at residences within the City of Dover. All four main targets were arrested without incident and later indicted in federal court. The searches that followed resulted in **possibly the largest combined drug seizure in Delaware history**, which included: **7.5 kilograms of fentanyl, 2.8 kilograms of crack cocaine, 10 kilograms of cocaine, 300 grams of methamphetamine, and 300 grams of xylazine**. Four firearms and approximately \$91,000 USC was recovered.

This major investigation is a prime example of the team work and dedication required to execute a successful, large-scale, federal wiretap investigation. For their combined efforts each member Officer was awarded the Exceptional Performance and Police Chief’s commendations.



# City of Dover Police Department Municipal Academy

In 2023, the City of Dover Police Department hosted Dover Municipal Police Academy Class #5 and Class #6. The Class #5 graduated on September 8, 2023. Class #6 graduates in early 2024. In total, 40 new officers and 12 pre-certified officers were trained by the Dover Municipal Academy Staff. The presence of the Academy continues to be a positive influence on the larger organization in the sense that **Dover PD continues to be a teaching and learning agency**. Beyond the presence of Dover Recruit Officers, 10 different law enforcement agencies were represented in these classes.

The Academy coordination duties were passed to Master Corporal Willie Johnson from Master Corporal Justin Richey. Staff instructors consisted of Corporal Alvin Hudson, Corporal Anthony Smith, and Patrolwoman First Class Siobhan Burton. Visiting subject matter experts, trainers from the Dover Police Department and members of surrounding agencies provided instruction throughout the classes.

## • Class #5



*Sam Smith*  
PHOTOGRAPHY  
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## • Class #6



# **SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT**

During the 2023 calendar year, the Special Enforcement Unit continued to address some of the most challenging needs within the City through the Community Policing, Youth (School Resource Officers), Motorcycle, and Behavioral Health Units as well as the Police Athletic League.

While staffing-related issues continued for the fourth year in a row, the Special Enforcement Unit experienced several of its Officers being reassigned to support the patrol function during the most difficult times. Even with a constant decrease in assigned staff, the Special Enforcement Unit continued to exceed expectations and provide the highest level of service for the residents, visitors and students in Dover.

While acknowledging the accomplishments of the units individually, we want to remind the reader that these moments are a sample of the great work they do on a daily basis.



# SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

## Motors Unit

In 2023, the Dover Police Department's Motor Unit undertook a multitude of initiatives, ranging from dignified escorts and presidential motorcades to overseeing the meticulous movements associated with line-of-duty deaths and engaging in extensive **traffic enforcement** endeavors. The Motor Unit was an especially bright light in 2023 as they completed all of their core tasks and managed to attend every City sponsored event between January and late October. The Unit was in charge of overseeing the set up and break down of 25 special events involving road closures and comprehensive event planning. During the last 2 plus months, they were re-assigned to patrol due to the staffing shortage.

The riding precision of the Motor Officers was best exemplified when the Unit played a pivotal role in the complex logistics of a line-of-duty death motorcade. These processions require collaboration with participating agencies and the synchronization of all the moving parts. Not limited to the Law Enforcement Community, they conducted many funeral escorts offering compassionate and respectful support to Dover families during times of loss.

Working with the Delaware State Police and the United States Secret Service, the Unit provided assistance for **Presidential escorts** originating from the Dover Air Force Base, ensuring smooth operations during the President's visits to the lower part of the State.

The skills of the Unit were again highlighted when agencies from across the State attended our annual *Basic Motor School*, hosted in the City. The Unit has **three certified instructors** who routinely deliver training that is in high demand and hard to come by.

Responding to traffic complaints is the largest part of the job. The Unit will proactively conduct speed surveys to establish justification and optimal time for enforcement. They are highly visible during traffic operations and address areas of "high risk" to motorists. As part of a comprehensive approach, the Unit took charge of the Red Light Program and the Police Prosecution Program at the JP court. Their desk review the Red Light violations and their testimony in support of charging documents ensure an effective enforcement program.



# SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

## Community Policing

The Community Policing Unit continues to be the gold standard of such units within the ranks of Delaware law enforcement. In 2023, the Department demonstrated its continuing commitment to fostering **positive relationships and enhancing public safety**.

Participation in events like the *Nemours Children's Parade*, egg hunts, *Special Olympics* events, and activities such as *Rock the Block* parties and *Habitat for Humanity* home dedications showcased the Department's dedication to **supporting community initiatives and fostering inclusivity**. The CPU also spent the year short-staffed when Corporal LaRochelle left in January for military service.

The **Coffee with a Cop** initiative continues to be a successful avenue for connecting with the community. Events at both Dick's Sporting Goods and McGlynn's Restaurant provided opportunities for dialogue between officers and residents. Corporal Killen and Canine "Roy" continue to bridge the gap between the police force and the younger members of the community through library story time sessions and their visits to schools and daycare establishments. Officers continue to attend neighborhood crime-watch meetings and deliver Safety Presentations to groups, organizations, and churches to underscore our dedication to strong community ties, educating the public on crime prevention and safe healthy communities.



Engaging with the community extended beyond celebratory events. There were property checks at homeless camps and other locations where societal challenges need to be addressed. The Unit was on hand at Dover Little League's opening day, the YMCA Healthy Kids Day, the VA 2k event, the **Bike to Work Day**, our Community Response Vehicle days, the Unity Day, CRASE trainings, Safety Patrol ceremonies, Walk to School events, **Touch a Truck** events, Trunk or Treat events, Operation Gobble, and school career days. The CPU is always in search of diverse engagement opportunities.

The Community Policing Unit concluded the year with two major events, **Operation Gobble** and the **Home Town Holiday** Event. *Operation Gobble* took place just before Thanksgiving, involved outdoor games with the kids and culminated with the delivery of 150 Thanksgiving meals by Officers and members of their families. The final event of the year was the second annual *Home Town Holiday* which brought together the efforts of the Community Policing Unit and several community stakeholders. The day on the "Mall" grew to more than 500 attendees and will continue to grow each year.



# SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

## Youth - School Resource Officers

The Youth Unit members are the **foundation of School Safety** for nearly all institutions located within the City of Dover. The Youth Unit consists of five officers who are certified as School Resource Officers (SRO's); Master Corporal James Piazza, Master Corporal Terrence Knight, Corporal Demetrius Stevenson, Corporal Michael Simpkins and Corporal Adalberto Aviles. The School Resource Officers are supervised by Sergeant Ian Thompson.

The School Resource Officers are each primarily assigned to a specific school as follows: Cpl. Stevenson is assigned to the Dover High School, MCpl. Piazza and Cpl. Aviles are both assigned to the new Dover Middle School which houses the Schools of Innovation and Technology, MCpl. Knight is assigned to the Parkway Academy and Cpl. Simpkins is assigned to the Kent County Intensive Learning Center (ILC). The elementary schools enjoy a visiting School Resource Officer to ensure continuity in coverage. The schools have been divided as follows: MCpl. Piazza is assigned W. Riley Brown and William Henry, Cpl. Stevenson is assigned to Fairview, Cpl. Aviles is assigned to South Dover, East Dover and Towne Point and Cpl. Simpkins is assigned North Dover and Booker T. Washington.

There was an opportunity to **include three additional schools** into the rotation of coverage this year. Holy Cross, Campus Community and the Academy of Dover are now assigned to MCpl. Knight who gives 2 days each week to them while still protecting Parkway Academy.

MCpl. Piazza and Cpl. Aviles were heavily involved with the implementation of the **safety and security procedures for the two new middle schools** which opened their doors for the first time this past fall. Our Youth Unit was involved in the implementation of a **mentorship program** at South Dover Elementary and W. Reily Brown. There was also the new collaboration between *Dover Police SRO's, Capital School District*, the Department of *Services for Children, Youth and Their Families*, and *A Seed of Hope Counseling*. This effort provides free referrals for a **mobile counseling service** to students and their families.



The Unit continued to assist with the Police Athletic League *Youth Academy* and the *21<sup>st</sup> Century Program*. They coordinated the Department's involvement in the *National Walk to School Day* and assisted with identifying eligible candidates for the Holiday Hero's event at the Target store as well as helping with the *Dick's Sporting Goods Shop with a Cop* event.

Working alongside our educators each day, School Resource Officers touch the lives of countless children, in a positive and meaningful way.



# SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

## Police Athletic League

The Dover Police Athletic League had a wonderful year filled with numerous activities in 2023. The Dover PAL continued its partnership with the Capital School District and provided **educational and recreational opportunities** for students during the school year. These programs were delivered during after-school hours at East Dover Elementary School and both the newly constructed Dover Middle School Campus and William Henry Middle School.

With the support of the Capital School District, the Police Athletic League started a **new CPR and AED lifesaving skills program**. This program trains and teaches students on how to properly do CPR and use an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). Upon successful completion, the students will **receive their Heart Saver 2-year certifications**. The program proved successful with numerous youth members being trained and is projected to certify even more students and staff members in this life saving skill in the upcoming year.



The Police Athletic League conducted multiple recreational and educational events throughout the year to include the **Youth Academy**, the 4th annual **Football Combine**, the 4th annual event known as “**A Day in Their Boots**”, “**Lunches with Love**” at the Ronald McDonald House, the 1<sup>st</sup> annual **Easter Egg Hunt**, Shop with a Cop at Dicks Sporting Goods, the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Ginger Bread House contest and a wonderful field trip to the National Law Enforcement Museum in Washington, DC. Our youth even had the opportunity to see the **White House**.

Corporal Anthony Smith carefully plans each PAL event and continues to grow the program. Cpl. Smith is the driving force behind the Police Athletic League and brings his unmatched passion for mentoring our youth, and connecting with them on a personal level. His passion for the program is one of the biggest reasons we continue to receive **support from area businesses** such as Home Depot, Sam’s Club, Dicks Sporting Goods and several others. The PAL team would also like to take this moment to thank the Police Athletic League Board of Directors for their continued commitment to positively impact our young residents.



# SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

## Behavioral Health Unit



**BHU Team members conduct outreach using the Community Response Vehicle and partnering with substance abuse recovery service providers Savida Health and Impact Life Inc.**

The Behavioral Health Unit has continued to evolve and is an integral part of our Departmental response to behavioral health issues. The BHU continues to expand its network of industry partners, engage 911 calls related to **substance abuse or mental health** concerns, and provide educational materials to those members of the community that would benefit from **supportive or recovery services**. The Unit will conduct follow-up related encounters with potential or actual clients and document their activities through a database developed by one of our professional partners at the **University of Delaware**.

The BHU will regularly participate in a variety of **community outreach events** and accompany the Community Policing Unit whenever they have the opportunity to do so. They are a great asset to all of the Departmental Units when work is heavy and staffing is short. One of their lesser known benefits is their contribution to **strategic planning**. The BHU generates useful data for the deployment of other Departmental resources and offers valuable analysis related to the assessment of community conditions. **They support community problem solving** by establishing a factual basis for action and offering that same expertise to other entities and organizations during liaison activities.

Over the course of the year, the Behavioral Health Unit made contact with **628** individuals who would benefit from recovery or treatment services. They managed to connect **271** of them to a resource or a service provider.



# SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT



The Department is proud to report that *Habitat for Humanity* chose to honor **Corporal Lee Killen** (and of course **Roy**) with their **Honorary Habitat Hero Award** in 2023. The gesture was in recognition of our **continued partnership** through the efforts of the Community Policing Unit and their amazing organization.

Perhaps the biggest factor leading to Lee's selection was his continuing effort to go above and beyond when planning, organizing and hosting the **Hometown Holiday Event** on Legislative Mall. Cpl. Killen would be the first to remind everyone that we also need to recognize the continued efforts of our City Council Members who graciously provided monetary donations to ensure the event was a success.

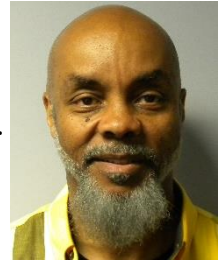


# AGENCY SUPPORT SPECIALISTS

No comprehensive annual report can be considered finished without expressing gratitude to key contributors who do not wear a badge. The Department has a large roster of great people who are non-sworn and often call “civilian” employees. The agency could not be successful without their energies, talents, and commitment to the success of our larger mission.

## Critical Non-sworn Roles and Role-players:

- ✓ The **LAN/IT Team**- Led by our Senior LAN Analyst, Mr. Chris Menge and complimented by Mr. Alex Hassman, keep critical technology functioning each day.
- ✓ **Mr. Vance Schaeffer**, our skilled and innovative **Agency Craftsman**, keeps our “home” in good working order and presentable to the public.
- ✓ Mr. Collin Chesley in his **Police Cadet** role supporting the Community Policing Unit.
- ✓ The **Emergency Communications Unit**, the place where 911 calls are screened and Police Resources are dispatched, serves as the safety net for the Public and our Officers. Led by our Manager, Mr. Matthew Carey, the team includes Mr. Donald Stiller, Mrs. Patricia Mazzola, Mr. Connor Logan, Mr. Lee Jackson, Miss Denae Jackson, Mr. Matthew Heitmann, Mr. Matthew Hawkins, Mr. Mark Hall, Mr. Donald Edwards, Miss Kayla Duncanson, Mr. Chad Davis, Mr. Nicholas Cathell, and Miss Mackenzie Atkinson.
- ✓ The **Evidence Team**- Led by our Manager, Mr. Frank Grosso and supported by **Mrs. Amanda Bekka**, ensure the accountability of all evidence and personal property.
- ✓ The **Police Records Unit**, as the keepers of critical information, allow the agency to make evidence-based decisions while planning activities. Led by our Manager, Miss Emily Walldridge, the team includes Ms. Lisa Hoffer, Mrs. Brenda Unruh, Mrs. Elizabeth Turner, Mrs. Melissa Ridgeway and Miss Jenna Ridgeway.
- ✓ The **Police Resource Manager** is Mrs. Robin Adkins, the **Crime Analyst / Accreditation Manager** is Mr. Robert Scott, and the **GVI Analyst** is Mr. Tim Stump.
- ✓ Mr. Andrew Morris and Mr. James Stubbs serve as our **Sex Offender Agents**.
- ✓ **Mrs. Rebecca McNamara** is the **Office Administrator** and **Assistant to the Chief of Police**. She supports the activity in the Executive Offices and is the place where all of the moving parts of the organization find connection.





# PATROL UNIT

In 2023, the dedicated Officers assigned to the Patrol Unit persevered in their commitment to delivering the highest standards of professional law enforcement services to our community. Despite increased work demands, the Patrol Unit did its usual good job of delivering swift and professional responses to calls for service. They exceeded expectations in both emergency and non-emergency situations and contributed to the enhancement of safety and security for all things Dover.

## Notable Occurrences

Dover Patrol Officers consistently pursue industry best practices while completing the basic mission of the patrol function. In the past year, the men and women of our Unit showcased their skills, talents and abilities while providing exceptional service and taking decisive enforcement actions across a diverse spectrum of crimes and violations to protect our community.

Demonstrating our unwavering support for our business community, Officers actively responded to 1,324 calls related to **shoplifting**. They compassionately engaged in 1,969 calls addressing **domestic situations** to assist families in crisis. Serving as the first responders in critical situations, the Unit addressed 2,464 **violent crimes** including *Assault* (275), *Robbery* (28), *Sex Offenses* (191), *Kidnapping* (1), and 1,873 property crimes including *Burglary* (116), *Theft* (1,142), *Criminal Mischief* (615). These Patrol Unit efforts not only addressed **quality-of-life concerns** but also led to the seizure of substantial amounts of illegal drugs and the confiscation of 35 firearms.

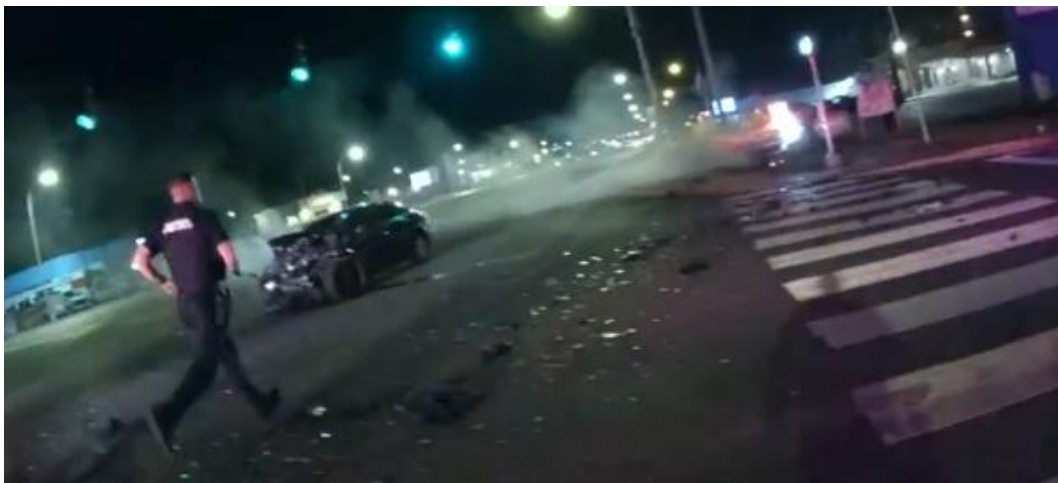
The Patrol mission involves **more than responding to crimes in progress**. Our Officers demonstrated their commitment to **lifesaving efforts** at crash scenes, medical emergencies and while responding to opioid overdose emergencies. Over the year they administered the opioid antidote **Naloxone** no less than 45 times. The Patrol Unit's commitment to public safety shines through the many examples of their dedication and resourcefulness found in their incident reports. The following instances underscore the constant demand on them for quick thinking and innovative solutions:

On January 25<sup>th</sup>, a Patrol Officer initiated a **traffic stop** on a green Dodge Dakota on South Bay Road for an equipment violation near Blue Hen Boulevard. Upon contacting the four occupants, the Officer noticed drug paraphernalia which lead to probable cause for a vehicle search. During the search, the Officer discovered a **Ruger 9mm handgun, methamphetamine, and MDMA**. Further inspection revealed one occupant with methamphetamine consumption paraphernalia and another with an active arrest warrant from Maryland for a probation violation. Through a subsequent interview, **the Officer obtained a confession**, thus transforming a traffic stop into a proactive arrest for firearm and drug offenses as well as the **apprehension of a fugitive** from another state.

On March 10<sup>th</sup>, Officers responded to a reported **kidnapping** in the parking lot behind Driftwood Spirits on South Bradford Street. After confirming the incident through downtown surveillance footage, Officers identified the male suspect and obtained warrants for Unlawful Imprisonment. Despite initial unsuccessful attempts to locate them, Officers eventually found the suspect's unoccupied vehicle at the Woodmill Apartments. Further details provided by the suspect's aunt confirmed the forced abduction. Using phone tracking, DPD Officers traced the suspect's movements which led to the location of the female victim. **The suspect surrendered** soon after.

# PATROL UNIT

On March 22<sup>nd</sup>, a Field Training Officer heard a loud noise indicative of a vehicle collision. Directing their trainee towards the sound, they soon discovered a **serious injury accident** on DuPont Hwy at KW Blvd., involving two vehicles, with **one already on fire**. An Officer shattered a window to rescue the trapped occupant, sustaining a minor hand injury, while the at-fault driver, found highly intoxicated, was arrested for **DUI and Vehicular Assault** after running a red light without headlights.



On June 11<sup>th</sup>, Patrol Officers responded to a trespassing call at Sussex Ave, where three subjects were refusing to leave. Upon arrival, one subject aggressively approached the first arriving Officer while **brandishing a suspected semiautomatic handgun**. In this critical moment, the Officer created distance, reengaged the suspect, and **attempted to de-escalate**. The situation unfortunately escalated when **the suspect fired** a round in the direction of an innocent person and took her **hostage**. **Effective communication** between responding Officers, and decisive **use of appropriate force**, resulted in the suspect's incapacitation and a safe arrest without harm to innocent bystanders. Their **bravery in the face of imminent danger** was truly admirable.



# PATROL UNIT

On September 11<sup>th</sup>, Dover Officers responded to an incident at Royal Farms, involving an individual who became disorderly over a soda payment. The person **brandished a handgun** and made **terroristic statements** toward employees. Dispatch relayed suspect vehicle information and officers confirmed its northbound travel on Saulsbury Road using our **Flock Safety cameras**. Another Flock camera helped Officers locate the suspect vehicle on Old Forge Drive. Officers set up a perimeter around the house and attempted to make contact with the suspect. The suspect was **apprehended as he attempted to escape** out the rear door of the residence. He was captured in possession of a black .40 Smith and Wesson handgun.

On November 13<sup>th</sup>, a Dover Officer responded to a reported **shooting** On Northampton Drive. Consistent with his training while responding to the scene, he remained vigilant for vehicles leaving the area. **PFC Anthony Slaughter** encountered a fast moving car at the intersection of Kenton Road and Greenway Lane. Inside the vehicle were the victim and a witness attempting to reach the hospital. PFC. Slaughter **promptly provided medical aid**, applying a tourniquet to the wounded arm, and **coordinated with EMS** for the victim's transportation to the hospital. This was an effective and very intelligent response during a critical situation that **addressed the priority of life** over all else.



On December 8, 2023, Dover Patrol Officers responded to a **shooting** in the Hamlet neighborhood. Upon arrival, Dover Patrol Officers discovered the victim on the sidewalk at Village Drive and Quail Hollow Drive. Dover Patrol Officers immediately **provided effective medical aid**, assessing injuries and applying chest seals before EMS arrived. Following the victim's transport to the hospital, Dover Patrol Officers played a role in securing the crime scene and conducting a thorough search for evidence in the area. This incident underscores Dover Patrol Officer's ability to perform under pressure and collaborate seamlessly in a chaotic and challenging situation.

## DUI Recognition

**Officer Anthony Valenti** was honored with the Outstanding Service Award at the Delaware Office of Highway Safety Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) awards ceremony. Officer Valenti has been serving with the Dover Police Department since January 9, 2023. In his first year of service, he arrested a total of 14 individuals for Driving Under the Influence. Additionally, Officer Valenti is a Drug Recognition Expert who provides training on driving under the influence to recruits at the Dover Municipal Academy and the Delaware State Police Academy.





# PATROL UNIT

## Collision Data

Traffic collision response is one of the most frequent and, at times, most urgent calls for service. It remains one of the most paramount operational aspects of our mission. In 2023, the Dover Police Department investigated **2,288** traffic collisions. Analysis of those collisions reveal critical insights regarding causation factors and informs our enforcement efforts. Data from these incidents show us that **533 individuals suffered injuries** of varying degree. 76 collisions were attributed to the continuing problem of driver impairment. Most of our collisions have an element of **aggressive or distracted driving** connected to them. Lastly, and tragically, 4 lives were lost during the year among vehicle passengers, bicyclists, or pedestrians.



While every officer possesses the capability to compose a standard collision report, certain investigations demand an advanced skill set due to the gravity of the incident. In such instances, we turn to our cadre of specially trained staff members, recognized as **Accident Reconstructionists**. Equipped with specialized training and tools, these experts meticulously identify and analyze all factors related to severe injuries or loss of life.



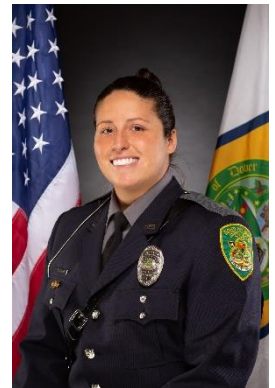
MCpl. Derrick Mast



MCpl. Brian Wood



Cpl. Kody Frye



Cpl. Melissa Ragona

# PATROL UNIT

## CONTROL TACTICS INSTRUCTORS

### Police Control Tactics and De-escalation

**PFC Diego Zamora** is a dedicated and experienced **Police Control Tactics Instructor** with 3.5 years of service at the Dover Police Department. He is strongly committed to promoting **safety and professionalism** within law enforcement and plays a vital role in training officers in effective control tactics and de-escalation techniques. As a certified instructor, Diego brings extensive expertise in various control tactics methodologies, including **Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, Judo, and Thai Kickboxing**. He has conducted numerous training sessions for officers at all levels, ensuring they are equipped with the necessary skills to handle diverse law enforcement situations safely and effectively.

In addition to his instructional responsibilities, Diego actively **contributes to developing and enhancing departmental policies** and procedures related to response to resistance and tactical operations. He remains current with the latest industry standards and best practices and continuously refines training programs to meet evolving law enforcement needs and challenges. Diego is known for his professionalism, leadership, and dedication to serving the community. His contributions to the department have been instrumental in maintaining high-performance standards and ensuring the safety of officers and the public.



PFC Zamora is just one of our many Control Tactics Instructors and this perishable skill is a training priority that begins in the Academy and lasts for the duration of an Officer's career.

During service delivery, knowledge of Control Tactics is often blended with critical knowledge of other related police techniques and issued equipment. The Department issues, and maintains training, on a variety of "less lethal" devices that are part of a larger program of **preserving life while professionally enforcing the law**. All force-related events are put through a **quality control and supervisory review process** to inform future training needs.

The full instructor team is: Sgt. Christopher Bumgarner, MCpl. Willie Johnson, Cpl. Brandyn Clancy, Cpl. Logan Spicer, Cpl. Thomas Rivera, Cpl. David Spence, Cpl. Craig Mitchell, Cpl. Alvin Hudson, PFC Joshua Hebert, PFC Jordan Marucci, and PFC Anthony Slaughter.

# ***MAJOR AWARDS FOR 2023***

## ***Life Saving***



Sgt. Jeffrey Gott



PFC Samuel Seibert



PFC Jake Shepherd



Ptlw. Brittney Finnegan



Ptlm. Anthony Valenti



Ptlm. Anthony Weedon

*On June 11, 2023, Sergeant Jeffrey Gott, Patrolman First Class Samuel Seibert, Patrolman First Class Jake Shepherd, Patrolwoman Brittney Finnegan, Patrolman Anthony Valenti & Patrolman Anthony Weedon responded to a call regarding a trespassing subject that had quickly escalated to a domestic violence incident, resulting in an officer-involved shooting. These officers provided life saving measures on the suspect using PFC Seibert's personal trauma kit, by strategically placing tourniquets on the suspects arm, preventing life ending blood loss.*

*Upon arrival of the Paramedics, officers continued to provide medical assistance both on scene and in the ambulance. Despite having grievous wounds, due to the quick actions and teamwork of these officers, the suspect survived the incident.*



# ***MAJOR AWARDS FOR 2023***

## ***Exceptional Performance***



*From December 2, 2023 to December 20, 2023, Sergeant Christopher Bumgarner Master Corporal Nathaniel Warren, Corporal Timothy Mullaney, Corporal James Wood, Corporal Brandon Bowman, Lieutenant Robert Roswell, Corporal Dale Boney, Corporal Brian Boone, Corporal Jordon Barrows, & Corporal Nolan Matthews, members of the Dover Police Criminal Investigations Unit, investigated a high profile murder/attempted murder involving Defendant Jaquan Fletcher.*

*This type of investigation was unprecedented in the history of the Dover Police Department and due to the ongoing threat to the community; there was significant pressure to swiftly solve this case. The overall result of the entire unit's performance culminated in the timely arrest of an extremely violent offender responsible for three attempted murders and one murder.*

# ***MAJOR AWARDS FOR 2023***

## ***Exceptional Performance***



Cpl. Cliff Figueroa



Cpl. Nathaniel Weir



Ptlm. Tevin Thomas

*Corporal Cliff Figueroa, Corporal Nathaniel Weir & Patrolman Tevin Thomas responded to a suicidal subject experiencing a mental health crisis. Upon arrival, when there was no answer, officers were able to gain access through an unlocked door and observed erratic behavior from the subject.*

*Officers decided to use a tactical entry into the room and were able to remove a large butcher knife from in front the subject, and after a struggle, using a less lethal option, were able to remove additional knives from the subject's hands. During the struggle, the subject received a large laceration to his head, which was immediately treated by the officers.*

*Not only did these officers most likely stop this subject, a military veteran, from taking his own life, they did so without a thought to their own safety while treating the subject with the upmost compassion and dignity.*

# **MAJOR AWARDS FOR 2023**

## *Life Saving*



PFC Joshua Hebert



PFC Kevin Bottomley



PFC Anthony Slaughter

*In recognition of their service to the community, On December 8, 2023 Patrolman First Class Kevin Bottomley, Patrolman First Class Joshua Hebert & Patrolman First Class Anthony Slaughter responded to a call of multiple shots fired with a subject struck by gunfire. Upon arrival, Officers found the victim laying on the sidewalk and immediately began evaluating the subject's injuries.*

*Officers discovered two gunshot wounds and placed chest seals on the injuries. Continuing to use both their medical training from the academy and tactical medical courses, Officers placed the victim in the recovery position with his injured side down allowing his airway to be maintained in the event that he lost consciousness.*

*Due to the quick decisions, actions, communication and effective teamwork of these officers, critical care was given to the subject that ultimately saved his life.*



# ***MAJOR AWARDS FOR 2023***

## ***Life Saving***



PFC Max Alderson



PFC Brittney Finnegan



PFC Samuel Seibert



PFC David Spence



Ptlm. Phillip Nelson



Ptlm. Anthony Valenti



Ptlm. Anthony Weedon

*On October 30, 2023, Patrolman First Class Max Alderson, Patrolwoman First Class Brittney Finnegan, Patrolman First Class Samuel Seibert, Patrolman First Class David Spence, Patrolman Phillip Nelson, Patrolman Anthony Valenti & Patrolman Anthony Weedon responded to a call regarding an unresponsive subject. Upon arrival, Officers found that the subject was in a confined space, which would hinder the responding medical personnel. After determining that the subject was negative for a pulse, an officer began chest compressions, while another set up an AED and the remaining officers began moving furniture.*

*Chest Compressions continued after initial shock as directed by the AED, with Officers reliving each other on CPR and utilizing the bag valve mask for ventilations. Prior to medical personnel arriving, Officers were able to interview family for further information on the subject and were able to pass along medication and other pertinent information regarding the patient. The teamwork, knowledge, response time and dedication of these officers, including the early application of life saving measures were critical to saving the life of the subject.*

# OFFICERS OF THE QUARTER

## OFFICER OF THE QUARTER – 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER



*During the first quarter, **Patrolman Samuel Seibert** proactively conducted traffic stops and investigations resulting in the confiscation of a large amount of illegal drugs and multiple arrests. He responded to 425 complaints, 55 of which required reports where he was the primary officer. Ptlm. Seibert had 81 criminal arrests, seized 3 illegally possessed firearms, handled 1 DUI and made 87 traffic arrests.*

## OFFICERS OF THE QUARTER – 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER



*During the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2023, PFC Brittney Finnegan & PFC Samuel Seibert responded to a trespassing complaint that quickly escalated into a domestic violence incident where one of the parties was in possession of a handgun. The situation worsened when the suspect fired a round in the direction of an adult holding a child. Having no other option, a decision was made to employ deadly force towards the shooter. The quick actions of both officers removed the threat posed by the suspect and allowing for his arrest and without any injuries to innocent persons on the scene.*

# OFFICERS OF THE QUARTER

## OFFICER OF THE QUARTER – 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER



*In the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter, **Patrolman First Class Daniel Godwin**, responded to 652 calls for service, acting as primary for 260, despite being an FTO and off-duty for several shifts for training and vacation. Along with his many calls for service, he assisted in a felony stop ending in the apprehension of five suspects wanted for an earlier shooting in other jurisdiction, a traffic stop that resulted in the confiscation of a large amount of drugs and a loaded weapon, the quick apprehension of a robbery suspect, the recovery of a stolen vehicle and arrest of 2 of 3 suspects, and an arrest involving in a gun complaint.*

## OFFICER OF THE QUARTER – 4<sup>th</sup> QUARTER



*During the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter, **Master Corporal Nathaniel Warren**, was the lead detective on one of the biggest cases in DPD history leading to the arrest of a suspect on one count of murder and three counts of attempted murder. MCpl. Warren also built a highly prosecutable case on a financial crime uncovering over \$900K in theft. During this same time period Warren also solved and made arrests on a shooting and a robbery. MCpl. Warren also serves as the DPD Task Force Officer to the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force and is the Section Leader in the Detective Unit.*



# CIVILIANS OF THE QUARTER

## CIVILIAN OF THE QUARTER – 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER



*During the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, **Communications Operator Mark Hall** handled 109 priority-1 complaints, was the first call taker on 1 shots fired, 37 domestics, 13 medial incidents, 1 child birth, 3 CPR in progress (all victims were resuscitated) and answered 92.16% of his 911 calls in 10 seconds or less. He continues to train newly hired dispatch staff and is a resource for the his co-workers when difficult situations arise.*

## CIVILIAN OF THE QUARTER – 2<sup>nd</sup> QUARTER



*During the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter, **Records Unit Clerk, Elizabeth Turner**, learned Kronos and how to close payroll in a very short period of time as well as how to enter new personnel into the time clock system. While maintaining her own workload, in the absence of a Unit Manager, Elizabeth took on some supervisory tasks including NCIC requests, background requests from other agencies and maintaining statistics including monthly officer stats. Elizabeth is enthusiastic to take on new responsibilities and assist the Records Unit in any way she can.*

# CIVILIANS OF THE QUARTER

## CIVILIAN OF THE QUARTER – 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER



*During the 3rd Quarter, **Communications Operator Denae Jackson** answered 2,131 calls, placing her in the top 3 highest call totals for the unit. Included in her calls were 117 priority-1 complaints: 1 shooting, 2 shots fired, 67 domestics, 4 fights, 5 Accidents, 8 overdoses and 1 CPR in progress. Denae completed/assisted in updating 102 warrants and was able to answer all of her calls in 10 seconds or less 93.43% of the time. She was involved in the training of two new employees and is excelling in this new role.*

## CIVILIAN OF THE QUARTER – 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER



*During the 4th Quarter, **Records Unit Clerk Jenna Ridgeway**'s enthusiastic willingness to gain more knowledge in NIBRS and UCR reporting codes has helped diminish the report repository and has given her the ability to train other co-workers. Jenna assists in the completion of DUI paperwork and fulfills numerous expungements and pardons as well as completing and sending off all summons for 2023. Jenna's hard work has aided in the increase of productivity in approving reports and she is willing to take on any task assigned to her.*

# OFFICER AND CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR

## OFFICER OF THE YEAR



*Patrolman First Class  
Samuel Seibert*

## CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR



*Records Unit Clerk  
Elizabeth Turner*



# New Sworn Officers



**Patrolman  
Ryan Dellerba**



**Patrolman  
Jean Jacques LaFleur**



**Patrolman  
Philip Nelson**



**Patrolman  
Tevin Thomas**



**Patrolman  
Colton Peck**



**Patrolman  
Anthony Valenti**

# **PROMOTIONS**

*Each year the Officers of the Dover Police Department take part in a highly competitive promotion process, the following Officers were promoted during 2023:*

## **CAPTAIN**

*Aaron Dickinson*

## **LIEUTENANT**

*Kevin Streadwick*

## **SERGEANT**

*Jake Rankin*

## **MASTER CORPORAL**

*Terrence Knight & Derrick Mast*

## **CORPORAL**

*Adalberto Aviles, Jordon Barrows, Brandon Bowman, Nicholas Bufalini, Brandyn Clancy, Cody Frye, Jonathan Haith, Alvin Hudson, Jonathan Hummel, Bryce Jackson, Joshua Krumm, Lee Killen, Strovenscolv Larochelle, Tyler Loomis, Nolan Matthews, Troy Maull, Timothy Mullaney, Melissa Ragona, Thomas Rivera, Michael Simpkins, Logan Spicer, Dale Starke, & Nathaniel Weir*

## **PATROLMAN/PATROLWOMAN FIRST CLASS**

*Max Alderson, Dalton Biron, Brittney Finnegan, Gunnar Goad, Joshua Hebert, Erin Marshall, Jordan Marucci, Jacob Miller, Connor Pellegrini-Foley, Connor Schell, Samuel Seibert, Jake Shepherd, Anthony Slaughter, Travis Smith, & Diego Zamora*

# RETIREMENTS



***Victim Services  
Diane Glenn  
30 Years of Service***



***Captain  
Christopher Hermance  
26 Years of Service***



***Sergeant  
Bernardo Fioravaniti  
20 Years of Service***



***Master Corporal  
Carlton Turner  
21 Years of Service***



# TRAFFIC ARREST SUMMARY

CLASSIFICATION OF VIOLATIONS	NUMBER OF ARRESTS		
<b>DANGEROUS MOVING VIOLATIONS</b>	2022	2023	% Change
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	166	162	-2%
SPEEDING	385	654	70%
STOP SIGN	102	149	46%
CARELESS OR INATTENTIVE DRIVING	438	463	6%
ALL OTHER DANGEROUS MOVING VIOLATIONS	758	768	1%
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>1,849</b>	<b>2,196</b>	<b>19%</b>
<b>LICENSE &amp; REGISTRATION VIOLATIONS</b>	2,255	2,625	16%
<b>OTHER VIOLATIONS</b>			
SEATBELT VIOLATIONS	54	64	19%
CHILD RESTRAINT VIOLATIONS	16	26	63%
USE OF CELL PHONE WHILE DRIVING	47	50	6%
ALL OTHER VIOLATIONS	2026	2193	8%
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>2,143</b>	<b>2,333</b>	<b>9%</b>
CIVIL RED LIGHT	11,295	10,238	-9%
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>17,542</b>	<b>17,392</b>	<b>-1%</b>
<b>E-WARNINGS</b>	1144	993	-13%

# TIME DISTRIBUTION HOURS

TIME DISTRIBUTION, HOURS	2022	2023
Criminal Investigation	30,916.50	31,855.90
Administrative	47,390.25	44,957.25
Interview	1,021.00	870.00
Evidence Processing	2,616.50	1,963.50
Special Duty	10,114.00	7,479.50
Meeting	4,316.00	4,083.50
Assist Other Agency	4,608.50	6,431.00
Training	16,858.00	25,377.00
Collision Investigation	2,696.00	2,844.00
Patrol	26,243.50	26,232.50
Traffic Enforcement	3,096.00	2,765.50
Traffic Control	947.50	720.50
Community Service	4,150.00	3,295.50
Intelligence	840.50	572.80
Arrest Processing	1,343.00	1,330.90
Court	2,715.50	2,938.50
Transport	2,060.50	1,061.00
Equipment Maintenance	4,527.00	4,085.00
Total on Duty	166,460.25	168,863.85
	2022	2023
Sick*	8,712	10,038
*Sick time not included in the total		
PERSONNEL STRENGTH	2022	2023
Authorized Strength	109	109
Actual Strength	104	101

# MISCELLANEOUS CALLS FOR SERVICE

SERVICE REQUEST TYPE	2022	2023	Variance
ALARMS	2,135	1,939	-9%
ANIMAL	572	466	-19%
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	879	836	-5%
CITY ORDINANCE VIOLATION	19	14	-26%
DRUG OVERDOSE	65	71	9%
ESCORTS, INCLUDES CITY HALL	325	92	-72%
LOST/FOUND PROPERTY	197	195	-1%
LOUD MUSIC/PARTY/NOISE	427	594	39%
COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUESTS	1,324	957	-28%
MEGAN'S LAW (SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION)	1,094	1,021	-7%
PSYCHIATRIC INCIDENT	412	546	33%
MISSING PERSONS	292	289	-1%
PROTECTION FROM ABUSE ORDER VIOLATIONS/COURT ORDERS	173	127	-27%
PROPERTY CHECK	2,892	3,385	17%
PROPERTY RETRIEVAL/PUBLIC ASSISTANCE*	928	878	-5%
SHOOTINGS	33	28	-15%
SHOTS FIRED	160	136	-15%
SUDDEN DEATH	76	71	-7%
SUICIDE (INCLUDES ATTEMPTS)	16	4	-75%
TRAFFIC REQUEST	692	1,100	59%
TOTAL	12,711	12,749	0%

\*Lock Jock only done in emergency situations, included in Public Assistance

## STATUS/DISPOSITION OF CALLS RECEIVED

	2022	2023	Variance
REPORT REQUIRED	9,684	10,142	5%
NO REPORT REQUIRED	12,260	11,985	-2%
CANCELLED PRIOR TO OFFICER ARRIVAL	570	1,234	116%
CRIME PREVENTION CHECK PERFORMED	30	9	-70%
NO REPORT - AREA CHECKED W/NEGATIVE RESULTS	1,872	2,218	18%
NO REPORT - FALSE ALARM	1,539	1,500	-2.53%
TURNED OVER TO ANOTHER AGENCY	222	603	172%
ALL OTHER CATEGORIES	15,244	15,354	1%
TOTAL DISPOSITIONS	41,421	43,045	4%

# Grant Funding Summary

The following funds from grants and other sources were received during the 2023 calendar year:

<b><u>Agency</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
<b><u>Donations from Misc State &amp; Local Individuals, Businesses and Agencies</u></b>	
December 2023 Holiday Heroes & Hometown Holiday Events	\$9,881.00
<b><u>State of Delaware</u></b>	
Grant in Aid Funding	\$75,000.00
<b><u>State Attorney General's Office</u></b>	
Criminal Justice Council (CJC) Grants	\$173,956.57
State Law Enforcement Assistance Fund (SLEAF) Grants	52,302.00
<b><u>State Department of Safety and Homeland Security</u></b>	
Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) Training Reimbursements	\$10,927.14
Emergency Illegal Drug Enforcement (EIDE) Grants	13,722.84
Office of Highway Safety Events	19,526.75
State Aid to Local Law Enforcement (SALLE) Grants	23,097.50
Violent Crimes Fund Grant	152,881.12
<b><u>US Department of Justice</u></b>	
Edward G. Byrne Memorial, Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)	\$75,294.06
Community Oriented Policing Service (COPS) Hiring Grant Program	416,131.00
<b><u>US Treasury</u></b>	
US Marshalls Service	\$11,980.00
Total	\$1,034,699.98



# Extra Duty Hours Billed

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Vendor	2022 Billed		2023 Billed		Increase / (Decrease)	
	Hours	Dollars	Hours	Dollars	Hrs	\$
<b>LOCAL BUSINESSES *</b>						
A-Del Construction	-	-	22.6	2,119.97		
AEG	1,059.0	68,498.52	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Arbor Management	-	-	10.0	993.44		
Attento, LLC dba Royal Prime	-	-	10.0	784.39		
Bally's Dover Casino/Hotel	8.0	560.00	589.0	46,139.66	7262.5%	8139.2%
Bike Delaware	48.0	3,360.00	48.0	3,984.52	0.0%	18.6%
Brosnan Risk Consultants - Sams Club	-	-	130.0	9,917.44		
Byers Industrial Services	9.0	776.25	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Caesar Rodney High School	-	-	-	-		
Caesar Rodney Institute	6.0	420.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Capital School District	-	-	264.7	19,328.77		
Central Middle School	32.5	2,275.00	17.0	1,190.00	-47.7%	-47.7%
City of Dover	453.5	31,745.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
City of Dover - Mayor's Office	-	-	155.1	11,514.21		
Corrado	-	-	26.3	2,743.26		
Delaware Council of Teachers of Math Inc	-	-	10.0	762.48		
Delaware Foundation Reaching Citizens with intellectual disabilities	-	-	6.0	407.87		
Delaware Pride	-	-	12.0	857.95		
Delaware Prostate Cancer Coalition	-	-	47.5	3,854.64		
Delaware Secretary of State (Grant)	1,592.5	108,292.48	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Delaware Standardbred Owners	7.0	490.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Delaware State News	9.0	630.00	13.0	768.75	44.4%	22.0%
Delaware State University	505.5	34,311.00	899.2	77,608.23	77.9%	126.2%
Delaware Transit Corporation	-	-	36.0	3,597.76		
Delaware Standardbred Owners Assoc	-	-	7.5	525.00		
Del-One Federal Credit Union	-	-	3.5	323.75		
DEMA	7.0	490.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Destination Downtown Dover	20.0	1,400.00	56.0	4,050.44	180.0%	189.3%
Do Portugal Circus	45.0	3,150.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Dover AFB	54.0	3,780.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Dover High School	93.0	6,510.00	146.2	10,836.48	57.2%	66.5%
Dover High School - Class 2022	10.0	700.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Dover High School Athletic Dept	122.0	8,540.00	30.0	2,100.00	-75.4%	-75.4%
Dover Mall	100.0	7,000.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Dover Middle School	-	-	55.5	4,629.23		
Dover Motor Speedway	1,222.5	81,372.50	949.6	71,695.33	-22.3%	-11.9%
DSUAA - Atlanta Metro Chapter	8.0	560.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Dynamite Championship Wrestling	-	-	6.0	391.65		
Epilepsy Foundation of Delaware	-	-	9.0	744.63		
Extra Duty Solutions	-	-	3.0	240.32		
Focus Multisports	31.5	2,205.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Girls on the Run Delaware	16.0	1,120.00	9.0	618.21	-43.8%	-44.8%
ISOCDE	-	-	61.3	6,121.88		
Maple Dale Country Club	7.5	525.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Meeting of the Minds	-	-	7.0	595.01		
Michael Zaragoza	74.5	5,215.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
National MS Society - Dover DE	42.0	2,940.00	21.0	1,566.85	-50.0%	-46.7%
Off Duty Services Best Buy #0842	334.0	23,380.00	9.0	890.29	-97.3%	-96.2%
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc Psi Iota Chapter	-	-	12.0	879.32		

# Extra Duty Hours Billed

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Vendor	2022 Billed		2023 Billed		Increase / (Decrease)	
	Hours	Dollars	Hours	Dollars	Hrs	\$
PolyTech School District	3.0	210.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Pride Parade	39.0	2,730.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Races to Run	-	-	18.0	1,260.00		
RE Pierson Construction	138.5	11,945.67	160.2	15,163.74	15.6%	26.9%
Redners Markets	744.5	52,115.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Rommel Infrastructure Inc	-	-	45.0	4,065.60		
Simon - Dover Mall	22.0	1,540.00	347.5	23,172.49	1479.5%	1404.7%
Smyrna High School	-	-	3.0	250.05		
Susan Oliver	4.0	280.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Target	-	-	26.0	2,155.14		
The Boulevard Live	-	-	8.0	810.19		
The Laurels	-	-	6.0	451.94		
United Church	179.0	12,530.00	179.7	14,174.89	0.4%	13.1%
Wilmington University	6.0	420.00	-	-	-100.0%	-100.0%
Local Business Subtotals	7,053.0	482,016.42	4,475.3	354,285.77	-36.5%	-26.5%
<b>LOCAL BUSINESS SUMMARY</b>						
Small Events Vendors	5,830.5	400,643.92	3,525.7	282,590.44	-39.5%	-29.5%
Dover Motor Speedway	1,222.5	81,372.50	949.6	71,695.33	-22.3%	-11.9%
Local Business Summary Subtotals	7,053.0	482,016.42	4,475.3	354,285.77	-36.5%	-26.5%
<b>GRANTS</b>						
CJC Grants	772.3	55,060.51	1,108.3	80,584.91	43.5%	46.4%
SALLE Grants	-	-	82.3	6,342.35		
Justice Assistance Grants	187.5	12,540.81	124.9	8,574.19	-33.4%	-31.6%
Highway Safety Events	425.0	26,484.77	412.5	27,202.41	-2.9%	2.7%
Violent Crimes Grants	596.0	41,100.44	845.8	61,776.99	41.9%	50.3%
Grant Subtotals	1,980.8	135,186.53	2,573.9	184,480.85	29.9%	36.5%
<b>GRAND TOTALS (Payroll Div 31)</b>	<b>9,033.8</b>	<b>617,202.95</b>	<b>7,049.1</b>	<b>538,766.62</b>	<b>-22.0%</b>	<b>-12.7%</b>

\* Local Business extra duty hours are scheduled and processed on a biweekly basis by Extra Duty Solutions (EDS), a third party contractor. EDS reimburses the city through Finance on a biweekly basis for the hours worked.



# PARKING ENFORCEMENT SECTION

The Dover Police Department has **two full time civilians** assigned to Parking Enforcement. They enforce parking regulations throughout the city. They also help out with traffic control during public events and emergency scenes. Parking enforcement also patrols **shopping centers and neighborhoods** for parking violations.

In 2023, both of our employees suffered significant medical challenges that ultimately led to a significant decline in productivity due to their absence from duty. With the hiring of new personnel, we expect a **return to our normal** level of effectiveness as we move through 2024.





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