

ANNUAL REPORT

UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE MALCUM J. "JAMIE" PATTON



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A MESSAGE FROM SHERIFF PATTON



The Union County Sheriff's Office 2023 Annual Report reflects the hard work and accomplishments of our staff. Every year they continue to go above and beyond to serve the Citizens of Union County.

The division commanders highlight statistical data for the Sheriff's Office and their staff, providing the hard work and dedication of this office. Our employees strive to provide the best customer service possible to the Citizens of Union County, and those traveling through our county, with a focus on fulfilling the Mission and Vision of our agency.

The hiring challenges faced here at the Sheriff's Office are no stranger to law enforcement agencies across the United States. Fortunately,

we are seeing more young folks with interest in service and joining this noble profession. We continue to travel the State of Ohio visiting academies and searching for great people to serve the citizens of this county. Although hiring has been very challenging, we continue the excitement for the potential growth in our agency and the community. To assist with these challenges, we have continued to make changes to our hiring process to attract and retain new staff. In November 2023, we were able to work with the Deputy's Labor Union to increase salaries, with the support of the Union County Commissioners. This wage adjustment has given the sheriff's office the ability to compete with other law enforcement agencies in our region. Demographics and the cost of living played a heavy part in the salary structure for law enforcement agencies in central Ohio. With Union County positioned so close to the Columbus Metro Area, law enforcement agencies just thirty minutes to the southeast are making a considerably more in salaries. We've lost good deputies to police agencies in the Columbus area because of this. With the wage adjustments, we have filled several open positions, which is very encouraging for the future of our office.

My staff and I strive every day to uphold our oath of office and demonstrate that we are committed to a positive quality of life as we serve and protect Union County.

Respectfully,

Jamie

COMMAND STAFF











COMMAND STAFF















AGENCY MISSION

To maintain the quality of life we enjoy and to ensure our county is a safe place to live, work and visit. Recognizing our responsibility to maintain order, while affording <u>dignity</u> and <u>respect</u> to <u>everyone</u>, our objective is to improve the quality of life through a community partnership which promotes safe and secure neighborhoods.

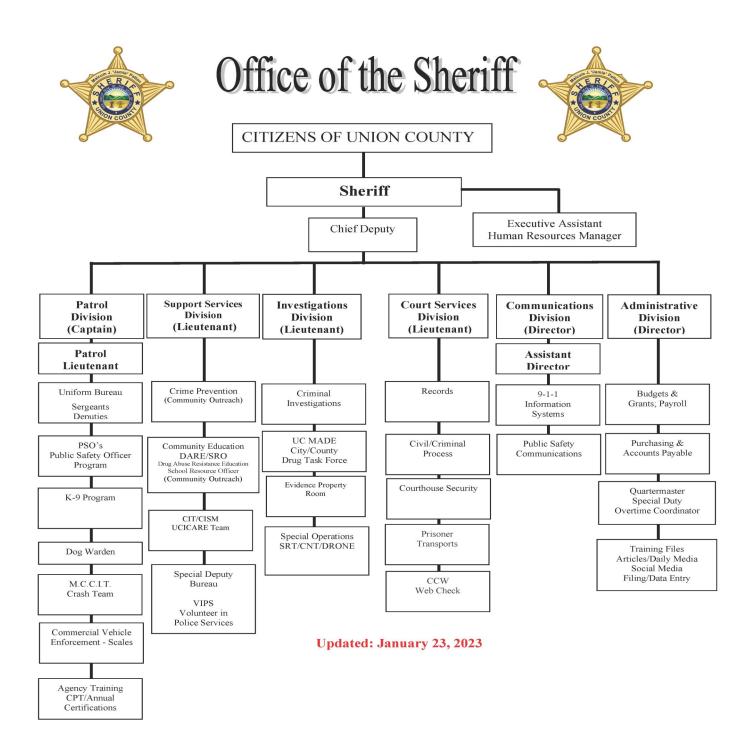
AGENCY VISION

Our promise is to diligently uphold the laws that protect both life and property of the Citizens of Union County without bias or prejudice. We pledge to conduct ourselves both professionally and personally in ways which clearly show that honesty and integrity are our code of honor.

AGENCY CORE VALUES

The employees of Union County Sheriff's Office will strive to provide the best customer services possible to those we serve throughout the County. Our service will serve as examples of all that is good and professional in American Law Enforcement.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



UCSO FALLEN

SHERIFF F.S. HAGER



On September 23, 1927, Sheriff Forest S. Hager had been at his farm in Washington Township and later traveled to Richwood in his Ford Sedan to serve several papers. On his return from Richwood, Sheriff Hager was struck by an eastbound passenger train at the Erie Railroad at Beaver's Crossing. Sheriff Hager was preceded in death by his wife Claudia Stamates. At the time of the accident he was survived by two daughters, Mrs. Frank Harger, Marysville and Mrs. James Hanby, Richwood and a son H.B. Hager of West Mansfield.

SHERIFF HARRY L. WOLFE



Sheriff Harry L. Wolfe responded to a burglar alarm at a home on Robinson Road that sounded at the Union County Sheriff's Office on January 21, 1982. Sheriff Wolfe radioed the Union County Sheriff's Office an officer-in-trouble alert. Another Union County Deputy, responding to the scene, found on his arrival, the Sheriff lying beside the right front wheel of his cruiser. Sheriff Wolfe, age 59, had been elected for a second term of office in January 1982. He was retired from the Ohio State Highway Patrol and was active in many community organizations. Sheriff Wolfe was survived by his wife Paula, and sons Lee and Steve, along with daughters, Kim and Karen.

SERGEANT ROGER L. BEEKMAN



Sergeant Roger L. Beekman was responding to a burglar alarm with lights and siren on September 19, 1979. Sergeant Beekman was westbound on Industrial Parkway at the time of the crash when he apparently entered the intersection of Industrial Parkway and US 42 and was struck by a northbound semi. Sergeant Beekman, age 29 years, had joined the Union County Sheriff's Office as an auxiliary deputy in August 1977. He was hired to full-time status in April 1978 and served as a plain clothes detective for nearly five months. He had requested road deputy duties because he said that was where his heart was. Sergeant Beekman was survived by his wife, Karen and two daughters, Amy and Angela.

SHERIFFS' OF UNION COUNTY, OHIO

1820 TO PRESENT

Fallen In Line of Duty

James Ewing	1820 - 1823
Amons A. Williams	1823 - 1828
David Witter	1828 - 1832
Calvin Winget	1832 - 1836
Ransom Clark	1836 - 1840
William W. Steele	1840 - 1844
William M. Robinson	1844 - 1846
Philip Snider	1846 - 1850
	1850 - 1854
William C. Malin William H. Robb Abraham Wiley	1854 - 1858
Abraham Wiley	1858 - 1860
Philip Snider	1860 - 1862
Chas M. Robinson	1862 - 1864
Jas B. Whelpley	1864 - 1868
Robert Sharp	1868 - 1872
John C. Price	1872 - 1876
Justus J. Miller	1876 - 1880
John Hobensock	1880 -1884
Marion Hopkins	1884 - 1888
Thomas Martin	1888 - 1892
William Snodgrass	1892 - 1896
J. Ed Robinson	1896 - 1900
S. F. Burnham	1900 - 1904
D. C. Bolenbaugh	1904 - 1908
Cad Price	1908 - 1912
John N. Laird	1912 - 1916
Chas A. Liggett	1916 - 1920
Frank Collier	1920 - 1924
F. S. Hager	1924 - 1928
J. B. Lingrel	1928 - 1930
William Rausch	1930 -1936
Homer Roosa	1936 -1948
Walter T. Galloway	1948 - 1956
Ed Amrine	1956 - 1972
	1972 - 1973
Theo Byus	1972 - 1973 1973 - 1982
Harry L. Wolfe	1973 - 1982 1982 - 2003
John G. Overly	
Rocky W. Nelson Malcum J. "Jamie" Patton	2003 - 2011
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HISTORY OF THE SHERIFF

The Office of Sheriff is one of antiquity. It is the oldest law enforcement office known within the common-law system and it has always been accorded great dignity and high trust. For the most part, the Office of Sheriff evolved of necessity. Were it not for laws which require enforcing, there would have been no necessity for the Sheriff. There would have been no need for the development of police administration, criminology, criminalists, etc. This is not the case, however. Man learned quite early that all is not orderly in the universe. All times and all places have generated those who covet the property of their neighbors and who are willing to expropriate this property by any means. As such, man's quest for equity and order gave birth to the Office of Sheriff, the history of which begins in the Old Testament and continues through the annals of Judeo-Christian tradition. Indeed, there is no honorable law enforcement authority in Anglo-American law as ancient as that of the County Sheriff. And today, as in the past, the County Sheriff is a peace officer entrusted with the maintenance of law and order and the preservation of domestic tranquility.

Sheriffs have served and protected the English-speaking peoples for a thousand years. The Office of Sheriff and the law enforcement, judicial, and correctional functions he performs are more than 1000 years old. The Office of Sheriff dates back at least to the reign of Alfred the Great of England, and some scholars even argue that the Office of Sheriff was first created during the Roman occupation of England.

Around 500 AD, Germanic tribes from Europe (called the Anglo-Saxons) began an invasion of Celtic England which eventually led over the centuries to the consolidation of Anglo-Saxon England as a unified kingdom under Alfred the Great, late in the 9th Century. Alfred divided England into geographic units called "shires", or counties.

In 1066, William the Conqueror defeated the Anglo-Saxons and instituted his own Norman government in England. Both under the Anglo-Saxons and under the Normans, the King of England appointed a representative called a "reeve" to act on behalf of the king in each shire or county. The "shire reeve" or King's representative in each county became the "Sheriff" as the English language changed over the years. The shire reeve, or Sheriff, was the chief law enforcement officer of each county in the year 1000 AD. He still has the same function in Ohio in the year 2000 AD.

The concepts of "county" and "Sheriff" were essentially the same as they had been during the previous 900 years of English legal history. Because of the English heritage of the American colonies, the new United States adopted the English law and legal institutions as its owner.



Clearly, the Sheriff is the only viable officer remaining of the ancient offices and his contemporary responsibility as conservator of the peace has been influenced greatly by modern society. As the crossbow gave way to the primitive flintlock, the Sheriff is not unaccustomed to change. But now, perhaps more than ever before in history, law enforcement is faced with complex, moving, rapid changes in methodology, technology, and social attitudes. As Thomas Jefferson wrote in his THE VALUE OF CONSTITUTIONS, "the Office of Sheriff is the most important of all the executive offices of the county."

The office of Sheriff is certainly significant and was in fact the first county office established in the United States. Some very outstanding Americans have held the office of County Sheriff from the earliest days down to our present era. George Washington's father was an early Sheriff in Colonial Virginia. The history of the position and functions of a Sheriff, prior to establishment of the position in America, can reportedly be traced to provisions of the Magna Carta in England, in the year 1215.



COLONEL EBENEZER SPROAT

UCSO MILITARY MEMBERS Active and Non-Active



Deputy Thomas D. Bidlack, Jr. —Marine Corps
Deputy Morgan Brown—Air Force
Deputy James Timothy Johnson—Air Force (Reserves)
Deputy William Louden—Army
Chief Deputy Thomas L. Morgan—Army
Deputy Elizabeth Zizleman—Navy (combat service)
Special Deputy Dale Mabry—Marine Corps
VIPS Darren Brown—Navy

2023 YEAR IN REVIEW

SQUARE MILES

432 LAND

5.1 water



64,971

POPULATION OF UNION COUNTY



62,021

TOTAL CALLS INTO THE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

17,046
9-1-1 CALLS

6,796.37g

DRUGS SEIZED

Cocaine (1,057.87 grams)
Fentanyl (17.82 grams)
Methamphetamines (3,104.18 grams)
Mushrooms (2,616.5 grams)

143 pounds

DRUG TAKE BACK
BIANNUAL COLLECTION

2,398

FRIENDLY WARNINGS ISSUED

2,063

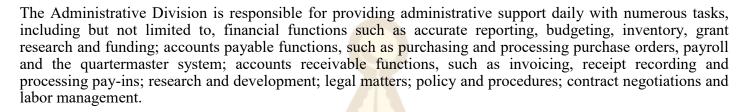
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TRAFFIC STOPS

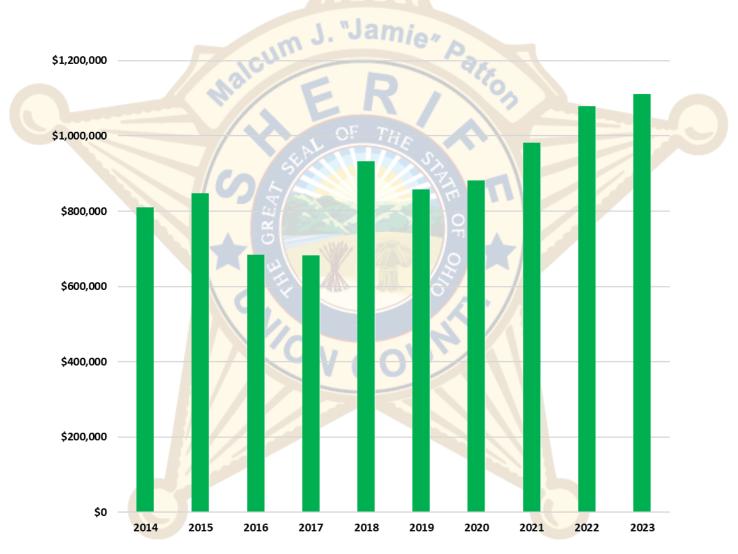
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

Director Barb Sattler



General Fund Revenue

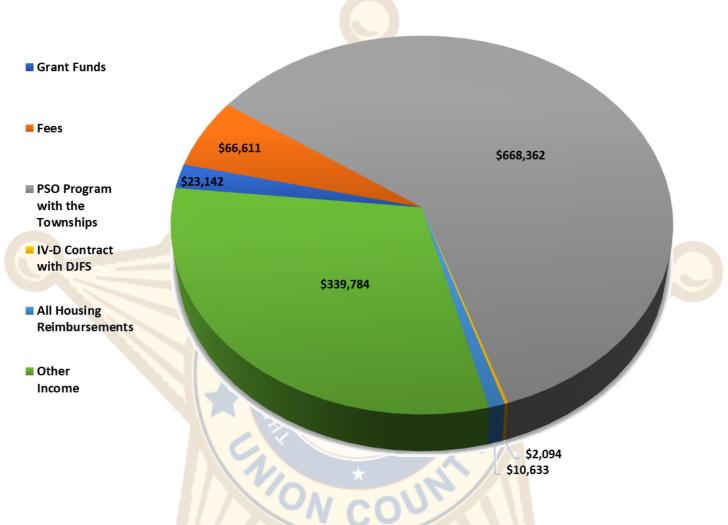
The graph below shows revenue paid into the General Fund by the Sheriff's Office over ten years.



2014-2023 Total Revenue = \$8,865.595



This chart illustrates the sources of general fund revenue in fiscal year 2023.



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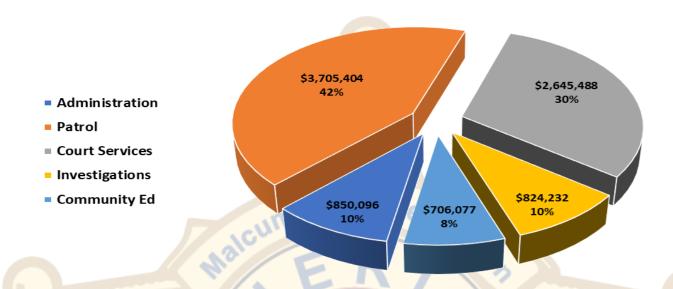
- Grant funding shown here was used to subsidize the wages of three School Resource Officers who instructed students in the DARE program at Raymond Elementary in the Marysville School District as well as students in the Fairbanks and North Union School Districts. A fourth School Resource Officer is responsible for teaching the Drug Abuse Prevention Program at Eversole Run Middle School in Jerome Village which is part of Dublin City Schools.
- The fees category includes receipts from Sheriff's Sales, cruiser fees from special duties, fees from paper service and fees from copies of reports.
- Townships participating in the PSO program are Darby, Jerome, Millcreek, Paris and Taylor.
- Sheriff's Office deputies make service of process trips under the IV-D contract with the Department of Human Services for child support delinquency.
- Housing reimbursements include payments for DUI Housing from Marysville Municipal Court as well as Tri-County Regional Jail inmate housing overage reimbursements.
- The Other Income section includes restitution, unexpended FOJ funds, the Sheriff's salary reimbursement from the State of Ohio, and salary reimbursements for the positions of CIT/CISM Coordinator, Dog Warden, School Resource Officers and DJFS Detective.

FACTS AND FIGURES

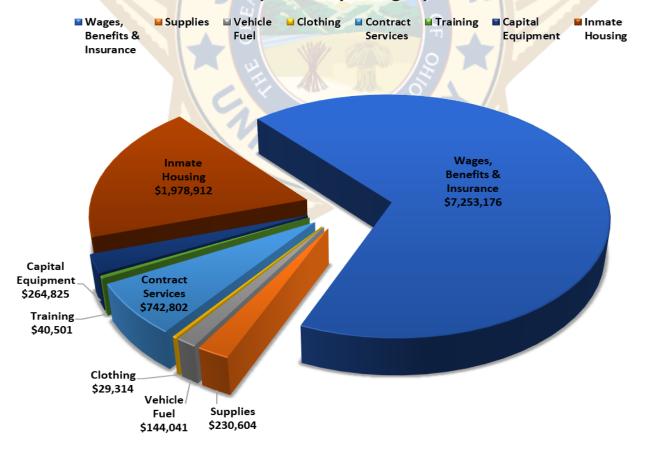
• Managed the Sheriff's Office budget of \$12,301,689 which includes expenses from Tri-County Regional Jail and the 9-1-1 Center

- Received \$668,362 from Public Safety Officer contractual relationships with participating townships
- The school districts of Fairbanks and North Union contributed \$25,000 each to the School Resource Officer program
- Received \$21,638 in grant funding from the Ohio Attorney General's Office in support of Drug Use Prevention instruction in the Marysville, Fairbanks, North Union and Dublin City School Districts.
- School Districts.
 Collected \$66,611, in fees for all Sheriff's Office services and \$6,000 from other law enforcement agencies for use of our training facility
- Awarded funding through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant for the purchase of four TASER 7 electronic control devices, holsters and cartridges
- Tri-County Regional Jail distributed \$11,310 in psychotropic drug reimbursements from the State of Ohio for Union County inmates
- Coordinated the purchase of three 2023 sport utility vehicles in the fleet rotation and placed an order for four 2025 sport utility vehicles for the Patrol division
- Shared funding with the Commissioner's Office to replace ballistic vests for five deputies and with purchasing three vests for newly hired deputies
- Assisted with the purchase of a message board and radar trailer for the Community Education division
- Purchased an automated external defibrillator (AED) for the Sheriff's Office Command Bus with grant funds awarded by the Ohio Department of Public Safety
- Contracted with Robertson Research Institute for a second year to provide the "Protect the Protectors" program to employees to improve overall emotional and physical health
- Worked with the Ohio Traffic Safety Office to serve as a pass-through agency to support a law enforcement liaison to help reduce traffic-related fatal and serious crashes in Ohio
- Received \$93,935 from Dublin Schools and Jerome Township for the School Resource Officer program in Abraham Depp Elementary School and Eversole Run Middle School in Jerome Village
- With grant funding the Mental Health and Recovery Board of Union County reimbursed the wages and benefits for the deputy assigned as CIT/CISM Coordinator to provide follow-up and wrap-around services to citizens experiencing mental health crises and drug overdoses
- Received \$184,000 from American Rescue Plan funds to provide retention incentives to first responders who worked through the COVID-19 pandemic

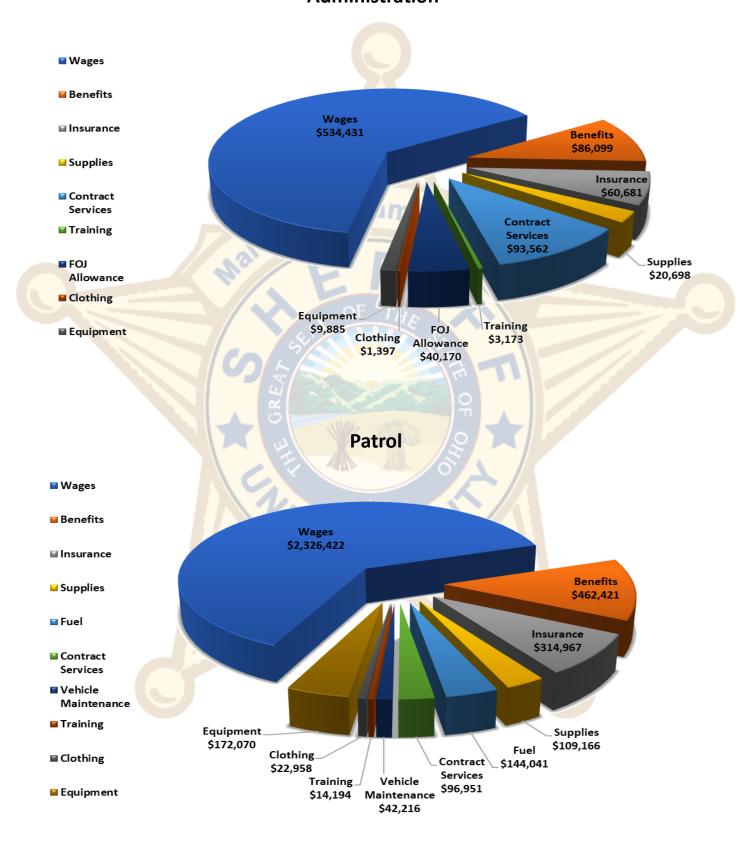






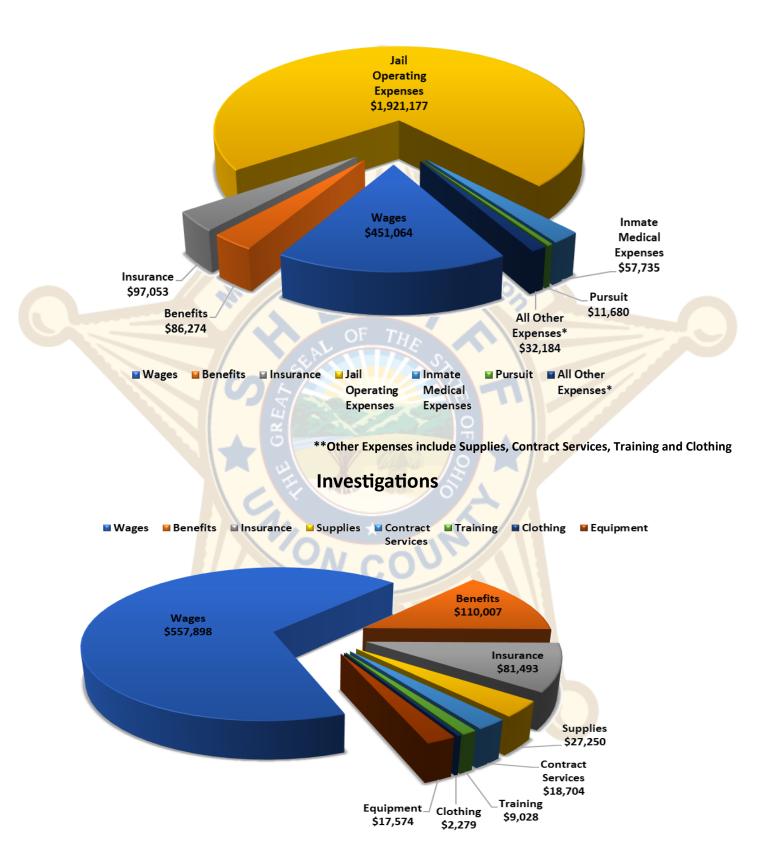


2023 Expenditures by Division & Category Administration

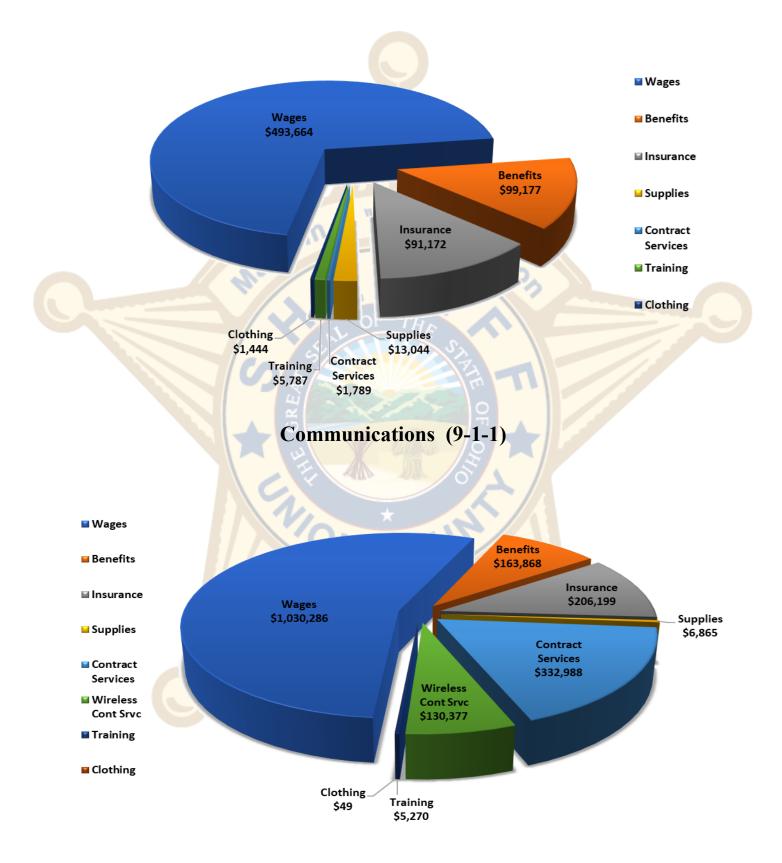




Court Services

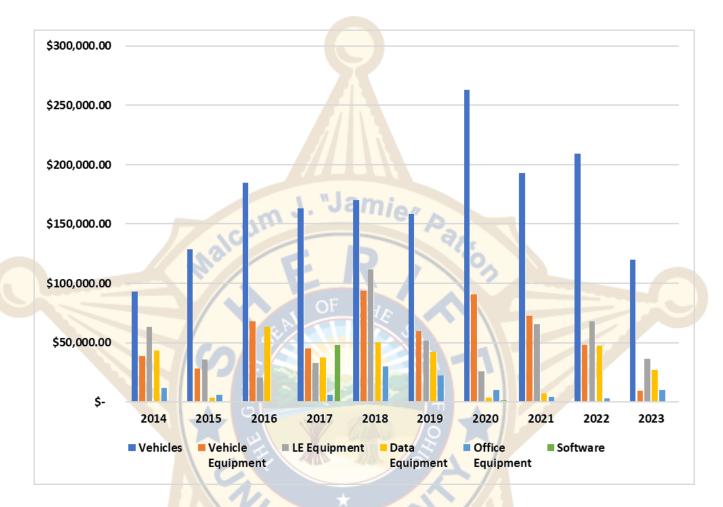


Community Education



GENERAL FUND

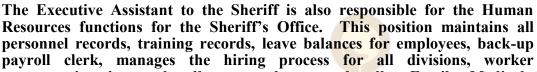
The graph below shows General Fund equipment purchases made by the Sheriff's Office over ten years.

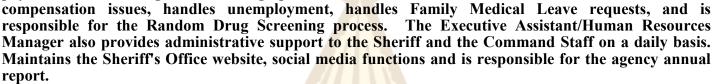


- Every year vehicles are replaced as part of our planned rotation. In 2023, three Ford sport utility vehicles were purchased for the Patrol Division
- Equipment for new vehicles continues to remain high due to the inability to reuse equipment from retired vehicles in the new models
- TASERS, radar units and mobile data computers were purchased to replace equipment that is at the end of its serviceable life
- An indoor drone was purchased for the Special Response Team
- A replacement copier was purchased for the workroom in the Justice Center
- Software to track field training and probation success was purchased to help field training officers evaluate newly hired deputies and dispatchers
- Bullet-resistant vests were purchased for nine deputies
- A combination message board and radar trailer were purchased for the Community Education division to be used around Union County to slow traffic on busy highways and to communicate important messages to motorists

HUMAN RESOURCES

HR Manager Alicia Bosch





2023 NOTABLES

2023 has been another busy year of recruiting for the UCSO, we continue to have considerable challenges filling open deputy sheriff positions, so Sheriff Patton and HR Manager Alicia Bosch continued traveling throughout Ohio visiting various academies. These challenges are not unusual from the experiences all law enforcement agencies are facing throughout the country. In today's climate, recruiting for law enforcement officers is critical for a safe thriving community. We continue to search for the best candidates for all of our open positions, it's important to maintain good customer service for those who live, work, and play in union county. The UCSO will continue to do our due diligence to find the best fit for this office and to those we serve.

In November, 2023, Sheriff Patton met with the Union County Commissioner's and with their support, he was able to sign a new wage agreement with the Deputy's Labor Union which increased salaries. The existing labor contract gave deputies a 10% pay increase in 2023, a 3% increase in 2024, and an additional 3% in 2025. The new wage agreement will add an additional 5.5% increase in 2024 and an additional 6.1% in 2025. This has provided a very competitive salary to retain current deputies, as well as for recruitment.

Person <mark>nel Stats</mark>	2023	Personnel Action	2023
Total E <mark>mployees</mark>	65.5	New Hires	16
Males	47.5	5 Deputies; 2 Deputy Cadet	
Females	19	4 Dispatchers (FT) 1 Dispatcher (PT)	VIII
Sworn	41	1 Civilian	11
*Civilian	24.5	1 *VIP 1 Chaplain 1 Summer Intern	11
Sworn Staff	41	Resignations	11
Sworn Males	38	Dismissed from Probation	3
Sworn Females	3		
Chaplains	2	Retirements	2
Special Deputies	3	Rehires	2
*VIPS	7	Terminations	0
*Civilian half employe	e (IT positi	on) *Volunteer In Police Services	

HIRING STATISTICS

Deputy Sheriff	2023		Communications Officer	2023
Total Applications Sent	67	8	Total Applications Sent	39
Applications Returned	28	$/\!\!/\!\!/$	Applications Returned	12
Applications Not Returned	39	UI	Applications Not Returned	27
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Failed National Testing Network	m		Failed Criticall Testing	1
Disqualifying Conditions	5		Not Recommended after Interview	3
Withdrew Application	6		Withdrew from position	1
Not Recommended after Interview	6		Dismissed from background process	2
Offered Position – Declined	3	15	Hired Full-time 2023	4
Withdrew from Interview	-2		Hired Part-time 2023	1
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CCW Clerk	2023	رطالط	Deputy Sheriff Cadet—Non Sworn	2023
Total Applications Sent	32	X	Total Applications Sent	87
Applications Returned	9	NO P	Applications Returned	30
Applications Not Returned	23		Applications Not Returned	57
Disqualifying Conditions	5		Disqualifying Conditions	8
Not Recommended after Interview	3		Not Recommended after Interview	12
Hired in 2023	1		No Show for Interview	1
81///			Disqualified from Background	4
Summer Internship			Declined Conditional offer	1
Total Applications Sent	6		Hired Full-time 2023	2
Applications Returned	3			
Applications Not Returned	3			
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Not Recommended after Interview	2			
Hired in 2023	1			

WELCOME ABOARD

CIVILIAN STAFF



COMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS



WELCOME ABOARD

VOLUNTEER STAFF





DEPUTY CADETS (OPOTA CERTIFIED 1/23/2024





WELCOME ABOARD

DEPUTIES



ANNUAL EMPLOYEE AWARDS

YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS

TWO YEARS

Cole Brown

Rachel Kerr

FIVE YEARS

FIFTEEN YEARS

Christ Bankes

Barb Sattler

Paige Pitts

Zach Schnarre

Jason Snipes

TWENTY YEARS

FORTY YEARS

Pam Millhoan

Randy Barker

Brad Phipps

Rod Wilson

UCSO YEARS OF SERVICE CRYSTALS/AWARDS

TWENTY YEARS OF UCSO SERVICE

Adam Haycox Rod Wilson

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF UCSO SERVICE

Aaron McKinnon

FORTY YEARS OF UCSO SERVICE

Randy Barker

SAFE DRIVING AWARDS

FIVE YEARS

Morgan Brown
Josh Kent
James Mitchell
Ben Smith

FIFTEEN YEARS

Joel Thorpe Rod Wilson

TWENTY YEARS

Richard Crabtree Adam Haycox

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

Shawn Golden

EDUCATION AWARDS

ASSOCIATE DEGREE

Jerry Werling
Sinclair College— Criminal Justice & Law Enforcement

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Connor Swayne
Cedarville University—Criminal Justice

DOCTORATE OF MINISTRY

Chaplain Robert Condict Northland Baptist Bible College

NRA SHOOTING AWARDS

EXPERT

Tim Johnson Josh Kent Alex Wargo Rod Wilson

SHARPSHOOTER

Mike Austin
Morgan Brown
Ricky Garrison
Krystin Gibson
James Mitchell
Bob Roberts
Scott Robinson
Ben Smith
Elizabeth Zizelman

DISTINGUISHED EXPERT

Adam Haycox

CERTIFICATION AWARDS

CIT (Crisis Intervention)

CPR/AED/First Aid Instructor

Sean Phelan

Zach Schnarre

Connor Swayne

FTO (Field Training Officer)

Krystin Gibson

Tim Johnson

Sean Phelan

Zach Schnarre

Unarmed Self Defense Instructor CLEM (Certified Law Enforcement Manager)

Ben Smith

Richard Crabtree

PELC (Police Executive Leadership College)

Bob Roberts

STOP STICKS AWARD

Sergeant Tim Johnson

Deputy Zach Rocklin

Sergeant Chad Lee

LIFE SAVING AWARD

Deputy Jerry Werling Deputy Alex Wargo

SHERIFF'S OFFICE COMMENDATION

Randy Barker
Andrew Clemans
Detective Ricky Garrison
Prosecutors Investigator Brian Lacy
Detective Seth McDowell
Detective Sergeant Nate Stone

STORK AWARD

Rachel Kerr Shawna March Brittany Rausch

CIVILIAN CITATION AWARD

VIP Kenny Steele

EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR



Communications Officer Rachel Kerr 2023 Dispatcher of the Year



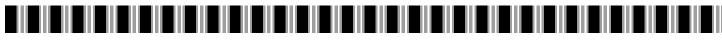
Investigative Assistant Deb Segner 2023 Civilian of the Year



Sergeant Mike Austin 2023 Deputy of the Year

2023 PROMOTIONS





2023 FAREWELLS—HAPPY RETIREMENT

Deputy Tom Bidlack retired on September 29th after serving the Citizens of Union County for 33 years. Congratulations Tom!





2023 FAREWELLS—HAPPY RETIREMENT

Captain Mike Justice retired from the Union County Sheriff's Office after 33 years of service. Enjoy your retirement!



COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION



Director Pamela Millhoan and Assistant Director Nate Coffield

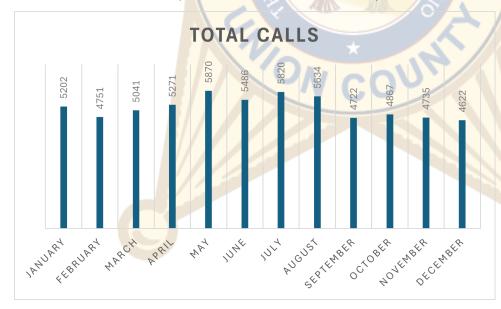
The Communications Division is a division within the Union County Sheriff's Office (UCSO) that handles 9-1-1 emergency calls for the county and dispatches for eight (8) fire and emergency medical service departments and two (2) law enforcement agencies in addition to the Sheriff's Office.

We currently operate a Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG9-1-1) system. The dispatcher automatically has number, owner's name and police, fire, and medical jurisdiction. The UCSO also has text-to-9-1-1 capabilities for those whose safety may be compromised by speaking or those with speech or hearing impairments.

In addition to emergency call handling and dispatching, our staff of communications officers also answer administrative calls and route them to appropriate offices or personnel, monitor and operate security controls, and process data entry. The division is tasked with operating the LEADS (Law Enforcement Automated Data System) for the Sheriff's Office and our partner agencies, providing real-time officer safety information, and entering warrants, protection orders, stolen vehicles, guns, articles, etc. into the system. Communications Officers share pertinent information about road closures and safety concerns through social media, such as the Sheriff's App or Nixle alert system. We test and set tornado sirens as necessary.

Key data 2023:

Total inbound calls (911 and administrative): 62,021



Month	Calls
January	5202
February	4751
March	5041
April	5271
May	5870
June	5486
July	5820
August	5634
September	4722
October	4867
November	4735
December	4622

(all other yearly stats from 911 report):

9-1-1 Calls by Township Compiled quarterly

TOWNSHIP	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Total
Allen	450	532	423	334	1739
Claibourne	340	389	344	294	1367
Darby	117	173	127	114	531
Dover	119	153	158	157	587
Jackson	47	51	39	33	170
Jerome	742	1024	887	745	3398
Leesburg	129	160	163	144	596
Liberty	193	233	181	151	758
Millcreek	110	107	129	124	470
Other	363	501	469	368	1701
Paris	1848	2235	1903	1709	7695
Taylor	106	142	127	121	496
Union	124	145	124	90	483
Washington	61	83	77	67	288
York	131	125	121	105	482
Zane	10	19	15	12	56
Washington Twp/ Dublin	87	111	84	60	342
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COURT SERVICES DIVISION

Lieutenant Robert Roberts

	Jan	Feh	Mar	Anr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sen	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Transports	52	62	91	74	93	71	67	102	83	71	63	78	907
Municipal Court Transport	4	2	9	4	8	8	7	12	8	4	8	3	77
Juvenile/Probate Transport	5	11	14	17	21	11	20	13	10	4	5	11	142
Common Pleas Court Transport	23	27	21	28	27	23	25	35	29	20	22	20	300
Adult Parole Transports	13	6	11	18	11	9	3	5	4	6	3	5	94
Total Transports	97	108	146	141	160	122	122	167	134	105	101	117	1520
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Municipal Court Detail	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4
Probate/Juvenile Court Detail	5	17	26	24	29	20	20	15	16	9	5	13	199
Common Pleas Court Detail	47	57	71	67	65	58	59	78	61	56	47	39	705
Total Court Details	52	76	98	91	94	78	79	93	78	65	52	52	908
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Sex Offender Registra- tions	12	11	8	9	13	10	12	12	10	11	10	9	127
Sex Offender Address Checks/Attempts	19	34	20	26	25	25	26	22	27	34	33	15	306
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Web Checks	129	122	186	123	133	122	116	140	95	81	133	99	1479
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CCW Applications Received	46	72	47	57	56	32	41	64	36	42	60	50	603
New Licenses Issued	5	13	6	9	23	7	8	14	8	8	9	7	117
Renewal Licenses Issued	41	59	41	48	33	25	33	50	18	34	51	43	476
Suspensions	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	2	2	8
Denied	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Civilian Fingerprints	3	2	0	4	2	3	1	2	1	2	4	1	25
Civil Process Received	199	112		168	187	266	154	152				129	2155
Warrants Received	108	77	126	110	98	100	103	116	122	112	106	86	1264
Total Received	307	189	350	278	285	366	257	268	332	293	279	215	3419

COURT SERVICES DIVISION

Lieutenant Robert Roberts

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
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Sheriff Sales Received	4	7	0	3	3	3	1	1	2	0	3	1	28
Private Selling Officer or Private Sale Appraisal on- ly	0	2	1	2	1	0	1	0	1	2	0	1	11
Sheriff Sales Sold	0	0	2	5	0	1	1	1	0	0	2	0	12
Sheriff Sales WD/Vacated/ Unsold	0	1	2	4	1	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	13
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Cases Processed	88	99	93	97	60	105	126	98	74	99	77	90	1106
Citations	134	186	197	138	163	136	192	161	143	130	115	121	1816
Friendly Warnings	161	181	194	181	185	212	233	241	235	138	150	152	2263
Public Records Request	110	82	75	84	84	91	125	118	59	86	74	82	1070
Background Checks	37	44	46	32	31	24	15	22	26	19	55	26	377



TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL JAIL

Champaign * Madison * Union Counties



Local Sheriff Information

Champaign County Sheriff
Matthew R. Melvin

Madison County Sheriff
John R. Swaney

Union County Sheriff
Malcum J. "Jamie" Patton



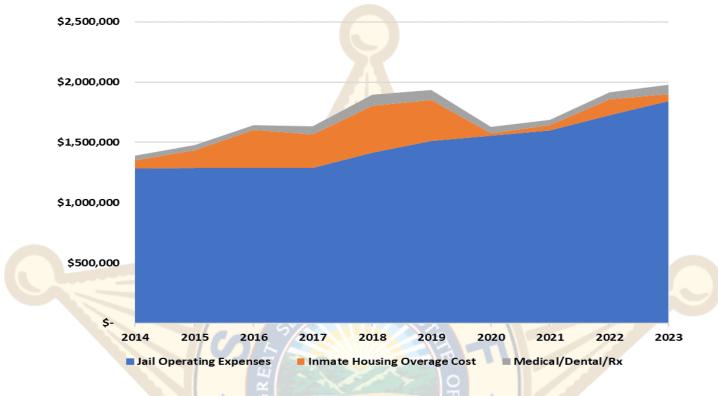
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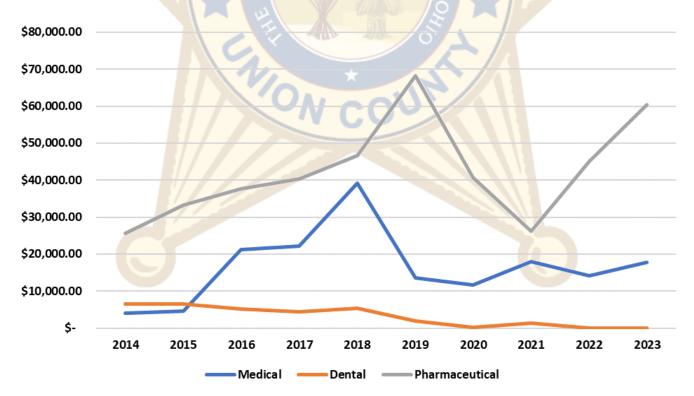
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2023	Со	mmon Ple	eas	Mu	nicipal Co	ourt		County	Unused	Overage	
Month	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Over	Beds	\$45/Day	
Jan	1388	1180	208	287	249	38	1675	83	20	\$ 3,735.00	
Feb	1240	1011	229	151	112	39	1391	25	90	\$ 1,125.00	
March	1395	1082	313	316	249	67	1711	121	22	\$ 5,445.00	
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April	1025	845	180	376	298	78	1401	7	166	\$ 315.00	
May	1362	1068	294	404	350	54	1766	164	10	\$ 7,380.00	
June	1518	1131	387	261	215	46	1779	219	0	\$ 9,855.00	
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July	1296	1111	185	399	353	46	1296	119	36	\$ 5,355.00	
Aug.	1213	1015	198	528	411	117	1741	143	14	\$ 6,435.00	
Sept.	1101	857	244	491	410	81	1592	46	14	\$ 2,070.00	
Oct.	1148	1026	122	493	338	155	1641	60	31	\$ 2,700.00	
Nov.	941	833	108	577	391	186	1518	24	66	\$ 1,080.00	
Dec.	1206	1030	176	422	228	194	1628	53	37	\$ 2,385.00	



Tri-County Regional Jail serves and protects the citizens of Champaign, Madison and Union Counties. The cost of housing and caring for inmates has steadily increased since 2014. In 2023 inmate populations at the jail were in excess of the 52 bed allowance every month except for June.



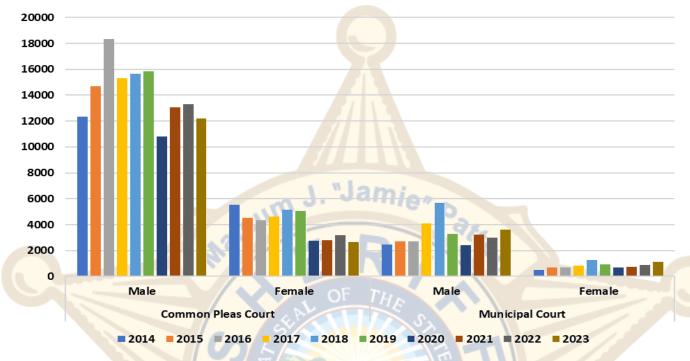
Healthcare costs were a mixed bag with pharmaceutical expenses seeing a sharp increase.



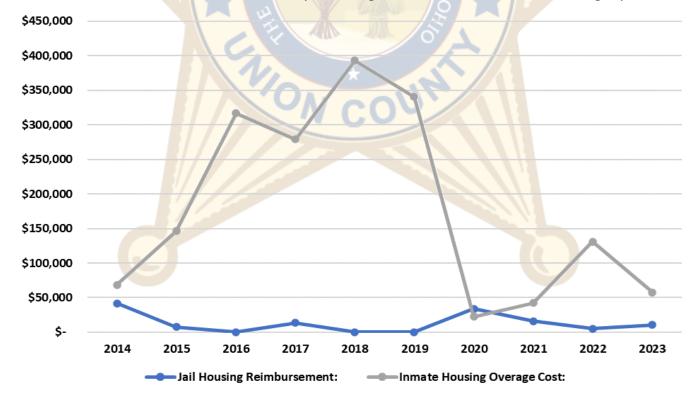


Each County has an allowance of 52 inmate beds at the jail. Inmate populations – both male and female – increased in 2023 for Marysville Municipal Court and decreased for Union County Common Pleas Court.





While inmate populations were above the 52-bed limit in all but one month in 2023, they were still less overall than in 2022. As a result, Union County's housing cost reimbursement increased slightly.



PATROL DIVISION

Lieutenant Josh Kent

2023 NOTABLES

- On February 25, 2023, at approximately 02:10am, deputies were dispatched to the area of State Route 347 near the Logan County Line for a report of an injury crash. Upon arrival, deputies located a single vehicle which had rolled multiple times. The driver of the vehicle was transported to a local area hospital where he died from injuries sustained during the crash.
- On March 8, 2023, at approximately 3:05am, the Sheriff's Office was notified the Ohio State Highway Patrol was engaged in a vehicle pursuit and was requesting our assistance. The pursuit led from US Highway 33 to State Route 4 south. The vehicle turned left, onto Milford Avenue and was headed into the City of Marysville. While deputies were trying to get in position to set up tire deflation devices, the vehicle crashed on Milford Avenue. Four suspects fled from the vehicle. Deputies immediately took one suspect into custody and assisted with attempting to locate the other three suspects. All suspects were eventually taken into custody.
- On April 13, 2023, at approximately 12:40pm, deputies and officers from the Marysville Police Department, were dispatched to the Union County Building on London Ave. The caller reported a male was either there or on his way there with a firearm. Deputies and officers were able to locate the male and take him into custody without incident. During the investigation, a stolen handgun was located in the possession of the male. He was later charged with the possession of the stolen handgun.
- On April 28, 2023, at approximately 7:24pm, deputies were dispatched to an address on Peoria Loop Road for a report of a domestic violence situation. Prior to the deputy's arrival, the male suspect fled into the woods on foot. Deputies began to set up a perimeter of the area. Deputies were able to locate the male a short while later. After multiple deescalation attempts were made, the male continuously refused to comply with the commands of the deputies. When deputies attempted to place the male into handcuffs, he resisted arrest. The male was successfully detained in handcuffs and escorted out of the woods. The male was charged and taken to Tri-County Regional Jail.
- On May 29, 2023, at approximately 7:47pm, deputies were dispatched to a single vehicle crash on Fulton Creek Road. Upon arrival, deputies and medical personnel located a single vehicle in a field with heavy damage. The driver of the vehicle was pronounced dead on the scene, a passenger in the vehicle was transported to a hospital for treatment.

- On July 15, 2023, at approximately 5:19pm, The Union County Sheriff's Office was contacted by the Madison County Sheriff's Office, a suspect vehicle had fled from a crash scene in their county. They requested we attempt to make contact with the driver at an address on Adams Road. Upon the deputy's arrival, the male suspect fled into the woods. A perimeter was set of the area. A canine unit from the Hilliard Police Department was called to the scene to assist. With the assistance of the Hilliard Police Department Canine and the Union County Sheriff's Office Drone Team, the male was located and arrested.
- On July 22, 2023, at approximately 9:44pm, the Sheriff's Office was alerted by staff from the West Central Correctional Facility that an inmate had just escaped their custody. Deputies and officers from the Marysville Police Department responded to the area and set up a perimeter. Canine units from the Delaware County Sheriff's Office and Hilliard Police Department were called in to assist with the search. After an extensive search of the area, the prisoner was unable to be located. A few hours later, the prisoner was located walking along the side of US Highway 36 and was taken into custody by deputies.
- On July 27, 2023, at approximately 12:57pm, deputies and medics were dispatched to the area of Allen Center Road and Holycross Epps Road for a report of a rollover injury crash. Upon arrival, it was discovered the driver was severely injured as a result of the crash. The driver was transported to a local area hospital where he succumbed to his injuries and died. Deputies learned the driver was fleeing from an earlier crash when he lost control of his vehicle, went off the left side of the roadway, and rolled the vehicle.
- On August 7, 2023, at approximately 11:41pm, the Sheriff's Office was informed the Hardin County Sheriff's Office was engaged in a vehicle pursuit southbound on State Route 31. The Union County Sheriff's Office Dispatch Center was informed the fleeing suspect vehicle was allegedly reported stolen out of Michigan. Deputies deployed a tire deflation device at State Route 31 near Turner Road. Deputies successfully deflated at least one of the suspects' vehicles tires. A deputy from the Hardin County Sheriff's Office successfully performed a Pursuit Termination Technique (PTT) Maneuver and the vehicle came to a stop. Four suspects were taken into custody.
- On October 21, 2023, at approximately 7:48pm, deputies were dispatched to an address on Miller Road for a report of a domestic violence situation. While enroute, Union County Dispatchers were notified the male had just shot himself in the head with a handgun. Deputies arrived on scene shortly after, secured the handgun, and began life saving measures. As a result, due to the lifesaving efforts by both the deputies and staff from the Northern Union County Fire and EMS District, the male survived the suicide attempt.

• On December 11, 2023, at approximately 10:13am, deputies were dispatched to US Highway 33 for a report of a road rage shooting. Deputies made contact with the caller, and confirmed his driver's side door was shot. Deputies were able to locate the suspect vehicle on US Highway 33 west of the City of Marysville. Deputies performed a felony stop on the vehicle and took two occupants into custody without further incident. As a result of the investigation, both occupants were arrested and charged.



PATROL STATS

Category	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	2023 Totals
Total Calls for Service	6,059	5,798	6,312	5,096	23,265
Reports Taken	298	263	292	245	1,098
Civil Process Served	441	462	431	472	1,806
Citations	613	517	496	437	2,063
Friendly Warnings	553	603	737	505	2,398
Traffic Stops	1,130	1,141	1,169	866	4,306
Vacation / Security Watches	371	120	99	104	694
Area Watches	2,363	1,966	2,187	1,811	8,327
Housing Additions	1,321	858	973	666	3,181
Alarm Responses	333	362	368	262	1,325
Crash Reports	134	116	148	157	555
OVI Arrests	26	19	26	15	86
Felony Arrests	65	50	41	44	200
Misdemeanor Arrests	55	71	84	102	312
Juvenile Arrests	5	6	4	8	23
Community Policing Contacts	527	447	505	345	1,824

PATROL STATS

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	2023 Totals
Days of the Week					
Sunday	15	15	10	18	58
Monday	18	18	20	24	80
Tuesday	26	20	24	22	92
Wednesday	22	16	34	27	99
Thursday	18	13	22	27	80
Friday	22	21	24	27	94
Saturday	12	13	14	12	51
Road Contour		m J. "	rainie"		
Straight	105	95	118	136	454
Curve	17	14	19	17	67
Roundabout	9	4	6	4	23
Road Condition		NL U	HE		
Dry	82	102	128	123	435
Wet	26	13	14	31	84
Snow/Ice	20	0	0	2	22
Weather					
Clear	71	89	114	104	378
Cloudy	22	14	20	31	87
Sunny	0	0	× 0	0	0
Rain	15	10	6	135	166
Snow	19	0	0	1	20
Fog	0	1	3	3	7
Vehicle Type					
Commercial	9	10	9	8	36
Passenger	103	74	108	120	405
Pick Up	14	14	16	25	69
Motorcycle	0	9	4	0	13
Bicycle	0	0	0	0	0
Farm Equipment	0	0	0	1	1
4-Wheel ATV	0	2	2	0	4

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS (PSO)



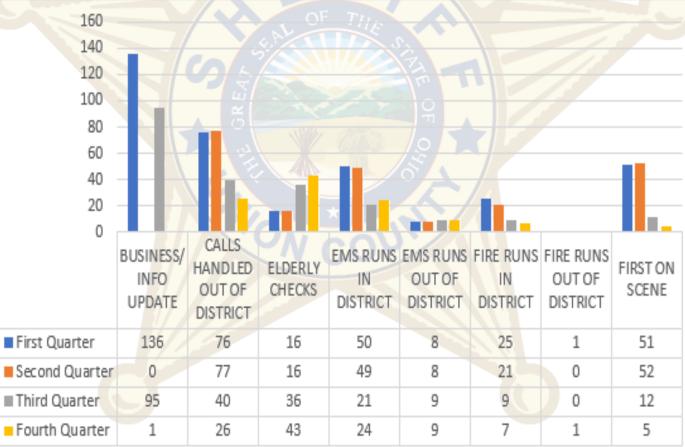
The Union County Sheriff's Office has a joint contract with Jerome Township, Millcreek Township, Paris Township, Taylor Township, and Darby Township. These deputies are cross trained as fire fighters and emergency medical technicians and serve as first responders in their assigned townships. They respond with the traditional fire and EMS agencies on all types of emergencies. In 2023, they responded to 398 emergency medical runs and 64 fire runs, in addition to their traditional law enforcement duties. Because PSO's are assigned to specific townships every day, they engage in community policing and work on specific law enforcement problems that are unique to each township. The PSO program has been in existence for twenty six years in Union County and has evolved over the years to address the challenges of our growing county.





PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS (PSO)





■ First Quarter ■ Second Quarter ■ Third Quarter ■ Fourth Quarter

UNION COUNTY DOG WARDEN



	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	2023 Totals
Dog Calls for Service	178	244	295	161	878
Dog Citations issued	11	5	S 9	9	34
Dog Warnings issued	54	58	69	43	224
Public Speaking Appearances	0	6	0	1	7
Number of Dogs Seized	34	34	44	30	142
Number of Dogs Impounded	13	13	34	14	74
Number of Dogs Redeemed	21	21	11	16	69
Number of Dogs Destroyed	0	0	0	0	0





UNION COUNTY SCALES

This program is possible due to the collaboration between the Sheriff's Office and the Union County Engineer's Office. Both Sheriff Patton and Engineer Jeff Stauch share concerns of overweight trucks damaging the county roads which are then repaired by taxpayer funding, but also, the weight of the trucks extends the stopping distance of the vehicles. The goal of this program is not only to save our roadway conditions, but to make our roadways safer for those who live, work and visit our county.



SCALES	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	2023 Totals
Hours Worked	0	46	21	4	71
Actual Weight of Vehicles	0	723,710	929,481	82,500	1,735,691
Allowed Weight of Vehicles	0	630,500	339,900	72,600	1,043,000
Over Weight of Vehicles	0	93,210	589,581	9,900	692,691
Fine Amounts	\$0	\$4,473	\$1,439	\$6,325	12,237

MULTI-COUNTY CRASH INVESTIGATIONS TEAM

The Multi-County Crash Investigations Team (MCCIT) is a group of deputies, detectives, and sergeants from the Union County Sheriff's Office, Hardin County Sheriff's Office, Logan County Sheriff's Office, and Champaign County Sheriff's Office. The purpose of the MCCIT is to provide mutual aid to the counties in our group to investigate serious injury vehicle crashes, fatal vehicle crashes, and airplane crashes.

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	First	Second	Third	Fourth	2023
Category	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter**	Totals
TOTAL MCCIT Callouts	2	5	6	**	13
Day of the Week		OF	Tr		
Sunday		2	1. 1.	**	3
Monday	1_1_	1	1	**	3
Tuesday		1		**	1
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Friday				**	
Saturday	1		1/5	**	2
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PM-		UNI C	OU		
1200 Noon - 2359		4	3	**	7
Union County	1	1	1	**	3
Outside County				7 1 1 1 1	
(Hardin, Logan, Champaign)	1	4	5	**	10
Serious Injury	0	3	1	**	4
Uninjured	0	2	5	**	7
Drug/Alcohol Involved	0	1	1	**	2
Felony Prosecution	0	0	1	**	1
Misdemeanor Prosecution	0	0	0	**	0

^{**} Pending completion of crash data.

SUPPORT SERVICES

Lieutenant Richard Crabtree

Lt. Crabtree met with 2nd grade students at Raymond Elementary to talk about bullying. What bullying is, the different forms of bullying and how to stop it. He encouraged the kids to think about how hurtful words can be and to remember that once you say something, you can't take it back.





School Resource Officer Deputy Shawn Dyer spent time with 5th graders at North Union Elementary discussing the dangers that exist

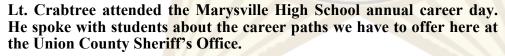
when using social media. He discussed how the students can stay safe when on a social media site, what to watch for when they receive a friend request or what to do when someone they don't know wants to chat. Deputy Dyer let them know what the consequences are for sending and/or receiving inappropriate images and content.

School Resource Office Deputy Shawn Dyer is shown providing assistance to the Nursing Students at North Union High School, who were learning how to do blood draws.



Deputy Jim Mitchell and students in the Fairbanks High School Family Career Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) hosted a hands-on distracted driving

experience. The students were able to wear goggles with different levels of impairment and were given field sobriety tests. A driving simulator was also set up to allow students to experience driving while distracted or impaired.





Deputy Morgan Brown attended the 12th Annual Case Management and Transitions of Care Conference in Dublin.

He provided the history, purpose, and goals of Crisis Intervention Teams (CIT). Deputy Brown shared the use of CIT in Union County and the benefits of collaborating with community partners.



SUPPORT SERVICES

Lieutenant Richard Crabtree

In March, the Union County Sheriff's Office celebrated the completion of the D.A.R.E. program with 5th graders from Trinity Lutheran School and St. John's Lutheran School. Lt. Crabtree and Deputy Mitchell provided instruction to each 5th grade class to teach the students the dangers of drug use and abuse and how to make good life choices.





Lt. Rich Crabtree and Deputy Morgan Brown were presenters at the 2023 Ohio Crime Prevention Association (OCPA) Conference. This conference provides participants with professional crime prevention training and structured agenda that emphasizes peer networking as a valuable learning tool.

Safety Town at Fairbanks and North Union Elementary School—with the help of deputies and teachers, students learned bicycle and pedestrian safety in a miniature town set up in the gymnasium. Safety town is a fun-filled two days of learning the proper way to cross the street, buckling a seat belt, wearing a helmet while riding a bicycle along with basic rules for riding a bike.





Lt. Crabtree and Deputy Brown held a CRASE Training for staff at Wings Support and Recovery. CRASE stands for Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events. The training was centered on how to handle an active shooter in the building and recognizing all exits.

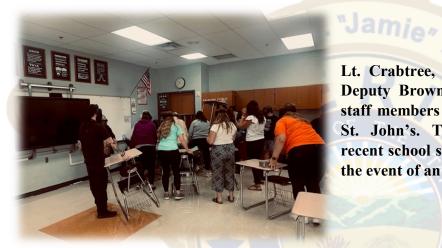
On the morning of May 4th, students from Fairbanks High School hosted and participated in a mock crash in the school parking lot. The crash demonstrated the extreme dangers of distracted driving and driving under the influence of drugs/alcohol. Student actors were staged in a car accident which resulted in a fatality due to a drunk driver with multiple first responders working the scene.





In August, the UCSO introduced a new program called, Books & Badges. Deputy Shawn Dyer read the book "Pete the Cat and the Cool Caterpillar" to kids at the Richwood Public Library. This program is part of the Starfish Assignment, an effort to form a connection between law enforcement and the communities they serve.





Lt. Crabtree, Deputy Dyer, Deputy Bankes and Deputy Brown led a hands-on training for new staff members from North Union, Fairbanks, and St. John's. The deputies used scenarios from recent school shootings to teach staff what to do in the event of an active shooter.

Sheriff Jamie Patton, Lt. Rich Crabtree and Deputy Shawn Dyer participated in the Richwood Public Library's Lego Lovers, First Responder Themed night.



The Union County Sheriff's Office Annual Turkey Shoot sponsored by Whitestone Ordnance, LLC took place in November. Some of the activities included in this event were a 50/50 drawing, and door prized. The proceeds from this event support our Community Education Outreach programs.



The Union County Sheriff's Office Annual Safe Heroes Golf Classic was held in September at Darby Creek Golf Course. Proceeds from this event went to the Support Services (Outreach Programs) and the Union County Law Enforcement Memorial Fund.



DARE GRADUATION

Deputy Shawn Dyer, School Resource Officer at North Union Local Schools and Deputy Rod Wilson, School Resource Officer at Fairbanks Local Schools celebrate the completion of the 12-week DARE curriculum with their 5th grade students.







FAIRBANKS



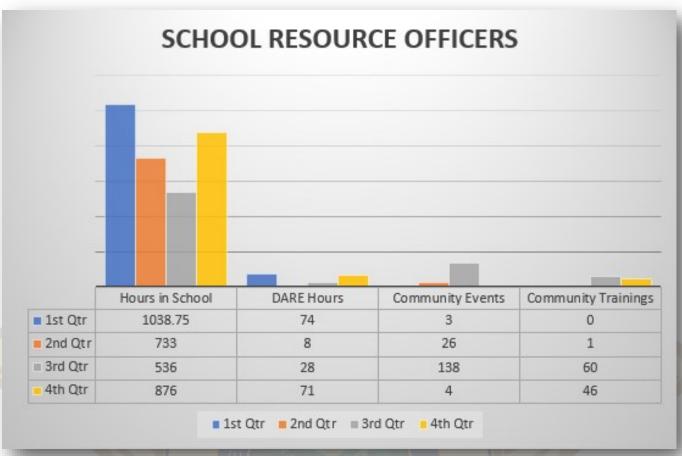
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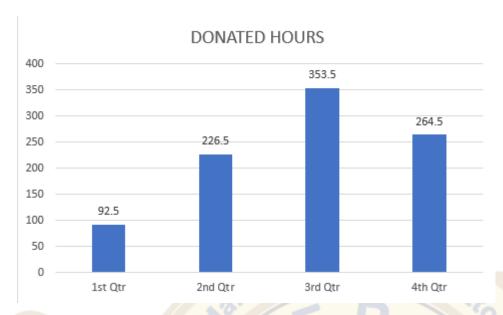
On December 9th, the 10th annual Shop with a Hero event took place. This event helped brighten the holidays for 100 children in Union County. First Responders were paired up with a child to take shopping, with a Lights and Sirens parade through the uptown area to the local Walmart and Meijer stores. Once at the stores, the children were greeted by Santa, Mrs. Claus, Elves and many other Holiday favorites. Each child was given a \$100 gift card to spend while shopping with their local hero.







VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICES (VIPS)







Donated Time:			11		
GR	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	2023 Total
2014		275.75	615.75	347.5	1239
2015	503.25	773.75	852.75	584	2713.8
2016	575.7	830.5	846.5	612	2864.7
2017	590.5	656	888.25	720	2854.8
2018	559	669	815	594.75	2637.8
2019	269.5	164	665.5	265	1364
2020	132	65	84.5	193	474.5
2021	154.25	138.5	291.25	125.5	709.5
2022	124	187	319.5	152	782.5
2023	92.5	226.5	353.5	264.5	937

INVESTIGATION DIVISION

Lieutenant Jeffery Stiers

2023 NOTABLE CRIMINAL CASES INVESTIGATED

- 1) Detectives investigated an ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children), involving a subject in Jerome Township that had engaged in downloading, sharing and producing over 650 images of minors engaged in sexual acts. The case is still under investigation.
- 2) Detectives investigated a series of thefts involving trucks, trailers, mowers, and golf carts from Jerome Township. The thefts occurred between April 2022 and April 2023. The subjects involved in the theft are suspected of committing similar thefts in Delaware, Franklin, Fairfield, Hamilton, Pickaway, Knox and Wyandot Counties as well. The total estimated loss caused by the thefts is \$742,341.51. The case was submitted to the Union County Prosecutor's Office on December 22, 2023, for Grand Jury.
- 3) On September 12, 2023, Deputies from the Union County Sheriff's Office along with Northwestern Fire District and Allen Township Fire responded to a report of a structure fire at 23253 Rapp Dean Rd. Upon arrival, units located a single-story mobile home with smoke coming from the residence. Firefighters put the fire out and contacted the Fire Marshall to start an arson investigation. The Union County Sheriff's Office had received an anonymous tip stating that the fire was a result of arson by Ashley Harrington. Detectives from the Union County Sheriff's Office were contacted to respond to the scene. Upon arrival, Detectives spoke to the Fire Marshall who advised that the fire started at two different points of origin. Detectives along with Union County Deputies conducted an investigation and found that Ashley Harrington was the one that set the fires within the residence. After the investigation was concluded, Rosa McMillen filed an insurance claim for the structure fire having knowledge that the fire was a result of Ashley Harrington's actions. Both individuals were indicted by a Grand Jury for Aggravated Arson, Insurance Fraud and Vandalism.
- 4) On December 11, 2023, units were alerted to a shooting on US 33 near US 42 in Jerome Township. The victim described the vehicle, and it was later located on US 33 Westbound near SR 4 Northbound. Units later did a felony stop on the suspect vehicle near US 33 and SR 347 inside Logan County. The driver and passenger were taken into custody. There was a small child inside the vehicle and a gun was located inside the glovebox. The driver was housed in COYC, and the passenger was transported to Tri-County Regional Jail. A search warrant was served upon the passenger for her DNA and GSW kit to be completed. The male appeared in Juvenile court and gave a dales name and date of birth to the judge. It was later learned that the male was an adult, and he was transferred to Tri-County Regional Jail.
 - A. Jamyle Bell was indicted for the following;
 - A. Felonious Assault F2 with 5-year gun spec
 - B. Having weapons under disability F3
 - C. Improperly handling a firearm in MV F4
 - D. Obstruction Official Business M2
 - E. Falsification M1
 - F. Tampering with Evidence F3
 - B. Teosha Reynolds was indicted for the following:
 - A. Felonious Assault F2 with 5-year gun spec
 - B. Improperly handling a firearm in MV F4
 - C. Endangering Children M1
 - D. Tampering with Evidence F3



- 5) During an overdose investigation, the Multi-Agency Drug Enforcement (M.A.D.E) Task Force identified Steve Byars from Columbus Ohio as a drug dealer in Union County. The M.A.D.E. Task Force conducted three controlled buys from Steve. On the third buy, the M.A.D.E Task Force and Deputies from Union County arrested Steve. Steve was charged with three counts of Trafficking Cocaine and possession of cocaine.
- 6) The M.A.D.E. Task Force arrested two individuals for trafficking cocaine after several controlled buys were conducted. Karen Morgan was arrested and charged with Trafficking in Cocaine and Christopher Marshall was arrested and charged with Trafficking in Cocaine, Endangering Children, Receiving Stolen Property and having weapons under disability.
- 7) In September 2023, the M.A.D.E. Task Force identified a Toledo based subject as supplying ounce quantities of crystal methamphetamine to the Marysville, Ohio area. The M.A.D.E. Task Force contacted the DEA once controlled purchases were completed. With the assistance of the M.A.D.E. Task Force, the DEA obtained a search warrant to install a GPS tracking device on the subject's vehicle. Following the installation of the GPS tracking device, the DEA was successful in introducing an undercover agent to the suspect who began dealing directly with him. Over the course of the next two months, the DEA purchased approximately two pounds of crystal meth from the subject. Also, during that time, the DEA conducted two traffic stops that lead to a combined seizure of over one kilogram of crystal methamphetamine and a gun. The suspect then offered cocaine to the undercover for purchase and the DEA continued the investigation to identify his cocaine source of supply. The DEA conducted a total of three cocaine buys totaling approximately 340 grams and identified two different cocaine sources of supply in Toledo. The suspect also offered the undercover fentanyl for purchase and the DEA conducted one fentanyl purchase of three ounces and ordered an additional four ounces. On November 29, 2023, the DEA planned to conduct a buy/bust operation, but after the suspect conducted a drug transaction in Findlay early that morning and confirmed with the undercover that he was ready, it was decided to arrest the suspect as he exited his residence prior to meeting the undercover. After a short foot pursuit in which the suspect discarded a bag that contained approximately four ounces of fentanyl and four ounces of crystal methamphetamine, he was taken into custody. An additional quarter pound of crystal methamphetamine was located in the residence. In addition to the enforcement operation on November 29, information was passed to the Findlay Police drug unit which executed a search warrant at the residence where the target delivered crystal methamphetamine that morning. This investigation also overlapped with several other DEA offices around the country.

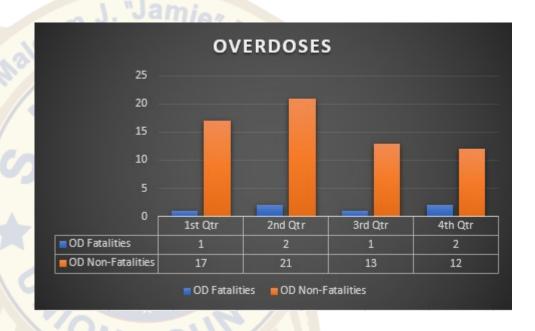
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
Reports Taken	5	5	2	0
New Cases	57	60	64	57
Cases Closed	52	53	67	46
#Individuals Indicted	13	6	7	8
# Counts of Indictments	40	37	62	28
Juvenile Cases Presented to Prosecutors	2	2	0	0
Misdemeanor Cases Presented to Prosecutor	1	0	1	0
Felony Cases Presented to Prosecutor	11 "Ja	T mior	8	27
Scenes Processed	14	9	10	15
Consent Searches	11	4	9	7
Search Warrants (Affiant Officer Only)	19	19	19	9
# Subpoena to Proseuctor Office/ Administrative Subpoenas filed	25	THE 16	9	21
Sexual Offenders Checked	60	65	48	48
Training Hours	164.5	252	151	133
Presentation Hours—Community Colleges, Schools, etc.	9	0 7	0	13
Pre-employment Background Investigations Completed	10	11	6	6
Total Cell Phone Forensics Exams Completed	14	12	6	6
MX 908 (Drug Screening) Tests Completed	12	00	0	0
DJFS Fraud Referrals	0	0	0	0
DJFS Children Services Referrals	0	0	0	0

Crime Tip Hotline (937) 642-7653

M.A.D.E Task Force



M.A.D.E TASK FORCE	1ST QTR	2ND QTR	3RD QTR	4TH QTR
Drugs Seized:				
Cocaine: (grams)	87.42	8.36	997.9	45
Fentanyl: (grams)	5.15	9.67	1	2
Methamphetamines: (grams)		72.33	3029.85	2
Pills: (Unit dosages)		2000	6	64
Mushrooms: (grams)		2503		113.5
Marijuana: (# of plants)		60		





Drop box is located in the lobby of the Union County Justice Center-Available 24/7

Additional drop boxes can be located at the Marysville Police Department, Richwood Police Department and Plain City Police Department. Hours may vary.

If you or someone you know has any unneeded, expired or unwanted medications, please feel free to bring them to the RX drop box. Medication can be properly disposed of quickly and anonymously.

PLEASE NOTE: We cannot accept syringes and needles in this receptacle.





HIGHLIGHTS



NOTABLE MENTIONS

On January 12, 2023, Lieutenant Mike Justice was promoted to the rank of Captain during our Annual Awards Banquet, which was held at the Der Dutchman in Plain City, Ohio.

Captain Justice started his career in 1990 with the Union County Sheriff's Office. He graduated from Marysville High School in 1988 and attended the Columbus State Community College





Captain Mike Justice graduated from the 10th Public Safety Leadership Academy alongside 30 fellow law enforcement leaders from various agencies throughout Ohio. After 11 weeks of accredited, college-level training through the Ohio State University John Glenn College of Public Affairs, the graduates learned skills necessary to manage any division within a law enforcement agency and demonstrate preparedness to take on additional leadership responsibilities.

The graduates had the opportunity to meet with executive law enforcement officials to learn from their experiences and discuss how to build positive relations with the communities they serve. They also attended classes on dealing with future challenges in the field, overcoming the unique mental stressors of possible violence on the job, and ensuring best practices for law enforcement managers to recruit and retain the next generation of law enforcement professionals.

NOTABLE MENTIONS

Lieutenant Bob Roberts graduated from the Police Executive Leadership College (PELC) Class #85. PELC students attend class one week each month for three months. During PELC, students are required to complete four writing assignments, six classroom presentations, read six books and twelve articles. A two-page journal is required after each class detailing what the student learned from that day. The journal also includes an explanation of how what they learned would be implemented at their agency. The class covers topics such as Executive Role Excellence in and Management; Management; Community; Leadership and Policing; Communication; Effective Written **Ethics** Principles Based Leadership; Legal Leadership; Media Management; and Conflict Management.





Sheriff Jamie Patton promoted Deputy Rich Crabtree as Lieutenant of the Support Services Division during a promotional ceremony in October. Lieutenant Crabtree has been with the Union County Sheriff's Office since October 2000 and part of the Support Services Division since May 2015.

Congratulations Lieutenant Crabtree!

NOTABLE MENTIONS

The Union County Sheriff's Office celebrated the promotion of Deputy Mike Austin to Patrol Sergeant. Sergeant Austin was hired as a deputy sheriff in March of 2020 and in his time with us has joined the Special Response Team, served as OIC for the patrol division and accepted the additional responsibilities of a field training officer.

Congratulations Sergeant Austin and we look forward to your continued service to the Union County Sheriff's Office, as well as your leadership in your new role.





Sheriff Jamie Patton promoted Sergeant Josh Kent as Lieutenant of the Patrol Division. Lieutenant Kent has been with the Union County Sheriff's Office since April 2017.

Congratulations Lieutenant Kent!

Sheriff Jamie Patton promoted Deputy Tim Johnson to Patrol Sergeant. Starting his career with the Union County Sheriff's Office in June of 2021 and has served a total of 8 years as a law enforcement officer.

Congratulations Sergeant Johnson— we look forward to your continued service to the Union County Sheriff's Office as well as your leadership in your new role!



Deputy Tom Bidlack retired from the Union County Sheriff's Office, serving the Citizens of Union County for 33 years. Congratulations Tom!

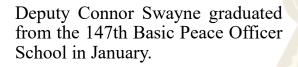




Sheriff Patton presented at the Industrial Parkway Association (IPA) to give an update on road and traffic information for the area.

Union County Sheriff's Office Communications Officer Tiffany Cook received the Distinguished Service Award. Thank you Tiffany for your commitment and service to the Citizens of Union County.









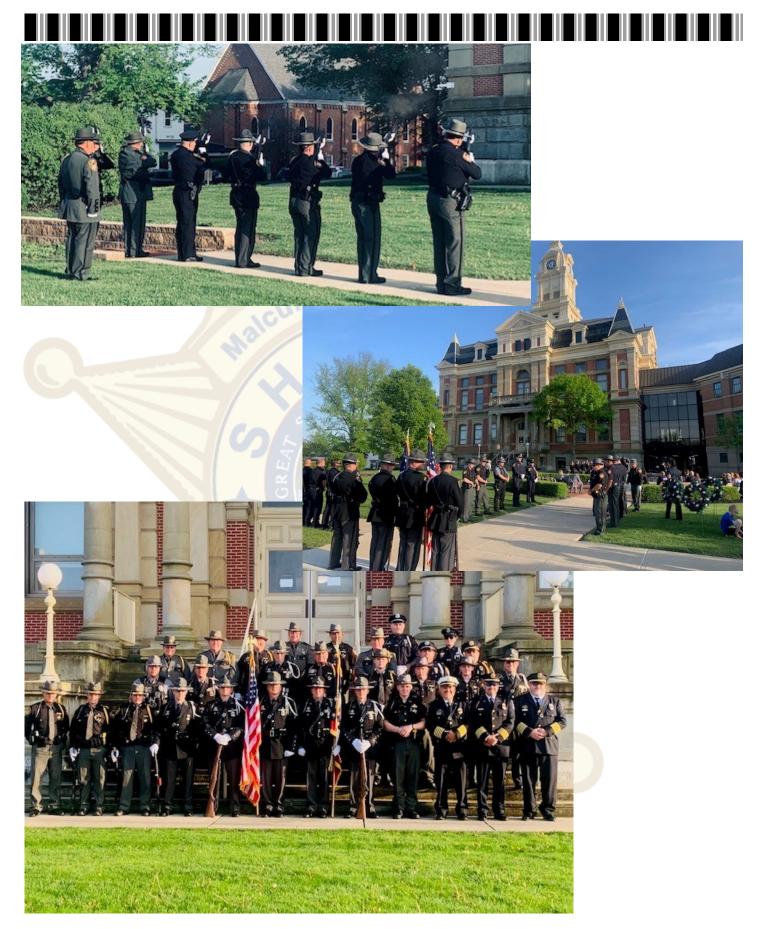
Sheriff Patton attended the swearing in of Chief Justice Kennedy to the Ohio's Eleventh Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio.







LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL



RAD, ALICE, AND CRASE TRAINING



2023 Safe Heroes Golf Classic



OPERATION SANTA SLEIGH

Not everyone gets to be home for Christmas but with the help of First Responders across Ohio, Santa was able to get to the kids at Nationwide Children's Hospital. A letter from the North Pole let the children know that Santa had help to find his way to the hospital. Excited boys and girls looked out their windows in great anticipation of the jolly man in red to make his arrival.



