



# UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S STAR

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Sheriff Patton would like to congratulate all the participants of the 2022 Citizens Academy! The Citizens Academy is a chance for members of the public to learn about all functions of the Sheriff's Office and to meet staff members. As one participant in the 2022 class commented, "I could make a hobby of this class". The course is held once a week for ten (10) weeks and concludes with graduation in December of each year. This year, the Citizens Academy was concluded before any snow storms.

Regarding "snow storms" Sheriff Patton and the Union County Sheriff's Office staff want to make sure you are ready. "The weather can change quickly in Ohio", says Sheriff Patton. Citizens of Union County need to understand what each snow emergency level means.

**Level 1:** Roadway advisory– Roadways are hazardous with blowing and drifting snow. Roadways are icy. Drive very cautiously.

**Level 2:** Roadway warning– Roadways are hazardous with blowing and drifting snow. Only those who feel it is necessary to drive should be out on the roadways. Contact your employer to see if you should report to work.

**Level 3:** Roadway emergency– All Township, County, State, and Municipal roadways are **CLOSED** to non-emergency personnel. No one should be out during these conditions unless it is absolutely necessary to travel. All employees should contact their employer to see if they should report to work. Those traveling on the roadways may subject themselves to an arrest or a citation.

The current Snow Level can be found on social media platforms, including Facebook and Twitter, which have links on our website at [www.unioncountyohio.gov/sheriff](http://www.unioncountyohio.gov/sheriff). You may also download the Union County Sheriff App “Union County Sheriff’s Office OCV, LLC” by visiting your Android/iOS app store. Using the Union County Sheriff’s App keeps our citizens up-to-date with road closures, snow levels and many other announcements the Sheriff’s Office may have for the community.



# UNION COUNTY Sheriff's Office

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# Communications Division



2022 911 CALLS BY TYPE/AREA Year to Date	Police	Fire	EMS	Crash	Unkn	Follow-Up	Info	YEAR TOTAL
Allen	309	19	229	82	3	76	8	726
Broadway	6	3	11	0	0	2	0	22
Claibourne	54	11	66	20	1	14	1	167
Darby	88	15	77	26	2	25	5	238
Dover	123	12	135	25	0	22	2	319
Jackson	23	1	26	6	0	6	2	64
Jerome	785	58	298	226	6	181	14	1568
Leesburg	107	9	58	40	0	10	2	226
Liberty	109	11	104	15	2	24	4	269
Magnetic	36	4	35	0	1	5	2	83
Marysville	2067	183	2655	415	70	635	105	6130
Milford Center	35	5	35	6	5	6	4	96
Millcreek	143	17	72	38	0	16	0	286
Miscellaneous	431	64	327	104	3	115	24	1068
Paris	205	15	75	75	2	25	2	399
Plain City	80	9	67	10	2	45	2	215
Raymond	15	0	6	1	0	2	0	24
Richwood	163	17	215	15	0	47	3	460
Taylor	104	19	69	28	1	10	1	232
Union	50	5	31	15	2	8	0	111
Unionville Center	8	0	11	0	0	0	1	20
Washington	73	10	35	15	0	8	1	142
Washington Dublin	133	11	97	27	0	91	5	364
York	85	13	83	23	2	12	3	221
Zane	10	1	10	10	0	7	1	39
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**SHERIFF**

Director Pamela Millhoan

Asst. Director Nate Coffield

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# Court Services Division

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Transports	219	232	254	217
Municipal Court Transport	13	17	22	10
Juvenile/Probate Transport	7	5	15	21
Common Pleas Court Transport	71	76	71	84
Adult Parole Transports	21	48	24	29
Municipal Court Detail	0	0	0	0
Probate/Juvenile Court Detail	17	16	28	39
Common Pleas Court Detail	168	197	191	181
Sex Offender Registrations	91	34	33	33
Sex Offender Address Checks/Attempts	62	47	60	64
Web Checks	397	256	291	184
CCW Applications Received	227	108	126	136
CCW Licenses Issued	74	32	48	30
Renewal Licenses Issued	153	124	80	106
Civilian Fingerprints	7	7	5	2
Civil Process Received	696	528	557	519
Warrants Received	333	266	358	323
Sheriff Sales Received	3	3	2	5
Sheriff Sales Sold	3	0	1	1
Sheriff Sales Returned (unsold)	1	0	1	2
Cases Processed	274	322	279	254
Citations	406	339	351	476
Friendly Warnings	769	776	629	669
Public Records Request	217	239	242	242
Background Checks	73	70	78	99



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# Sheriff K-9 Unit

Category	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Totals
Training Hours	48	24	52	104	228
Felony Arrests/Cases	11	0	5	3	19
Misdemeanor Arrests/Cases	6	2	3	3	14
Cases submitted - Grand Jury	0	0	0	0	0
Cases to Other Agencies	4	1	0	0	5
Recovered Weapons	0	0	0	1	1
Assist Other Agencies	6	1	2	1	10
UCSO Assists	7	1	1	0	9
K-9 Uses	14	2	9	2	27
Cases referred to MADE	1	0	3	0	4
MADE Tips	1	0	6	1	8
Traffic Stops for MADE	0	0	7	2	9
Positive Indication	6	1	6	2	15
No Indication	3	1	2	0	6
Apprehensions	4	0	0	0	4
Track	0	0	0	0	0
Area/Building/Article Searches	4	0	2	0	6
School Searches	0	0	0	0	0
Public Appearances	0	0	2	0	2
Value of Drugs Seized	\$1,350	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$1,450
Types of Drugs Seized	Cocaine, Meth, Marihuana	THC Cartridges		Drug Paraphernalia, Fentanyl	



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# INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION



Lt. Jeff Stiers

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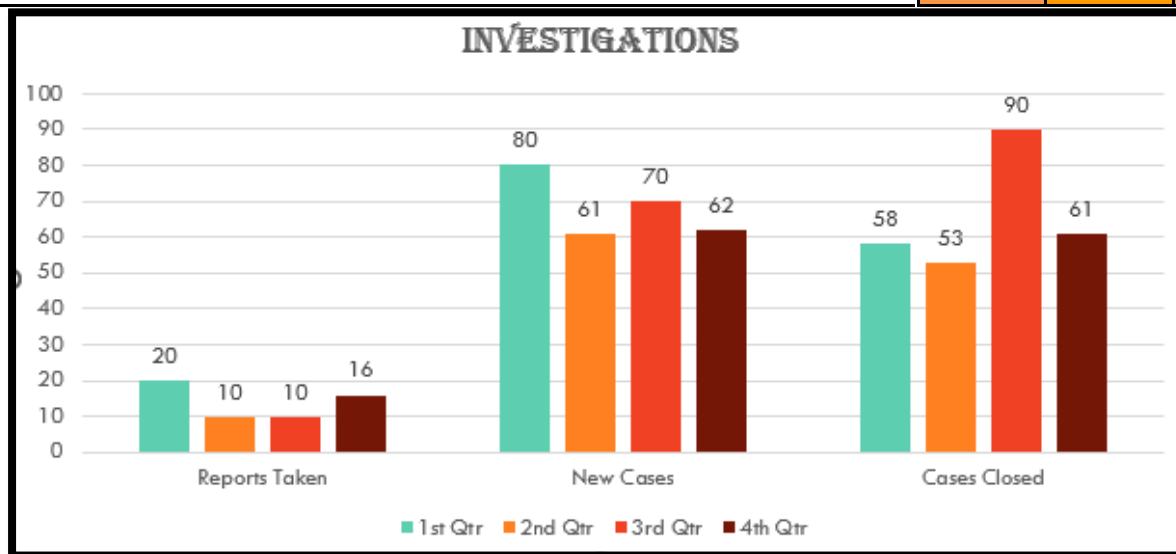
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	Oct	Nov	Dec
Reports Taken	2	10	4
New Cases	16	23	23
Cases Closed	7	30	24
# Individuals Indicted	4	28	3
# Counts of Indictments	11	76	5
Juvenile Cases Filed with Prosecutor	0	1	0
Misdemeanor Charges Filed with Prosecutor	0	0	0
Felony Charges Filed with Prosecutor	9	27	6
Scenes Processed	4	8	6
Consent Searches	6	1	2
Search Warrants (Affiant Officer Only)	1	1	7
# Subpoenas to Pros. Office / Administrative Subpoenas Filed	7	4	10
Sexual Offenders Checked	15	29	19
Training Hours	109.00	3.00	27.00
Presentations (Community, C.A., Schools etc)	4	4	0
#Pre-Employment Background Investigations Completed	1	0	0
# Cell Phone Forensics Exams	4	3	7
#MX908 Tests	0	2	1
# DJFS Fraud Referrals	0	0	0
# DJFS Childrens Services Referrals	0	1	0

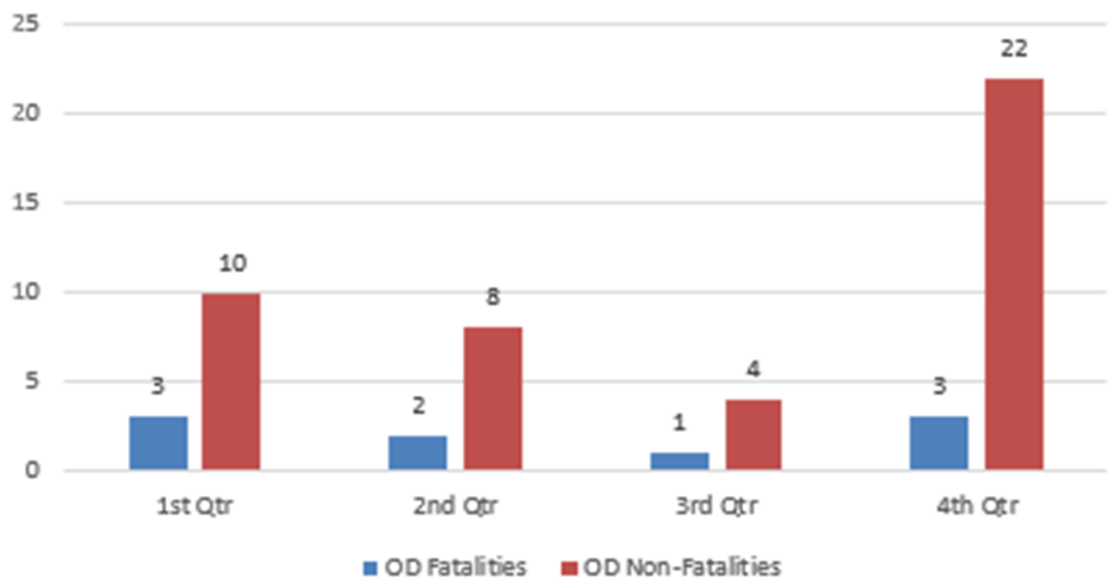






	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Year
Fentanyl	4	3	1	3	11
Heroin	2		1		3
Cocaine	1	1	0	1	3
Meth	1	1	2	3	7
Crack	0	0	0		
Over the Counter meds	1	0	0		1
Prescription Meds	5	1	1	4	11
Unknown		1	0	15	16

### OVERDOSE INFO



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.





# Tri-County Regional Jail



Champaign, Madison, & Union Counties

2022 Month	Common Pleas Inmate Total			Municipal Court Inmate Total			Union County		Unused Beds	Overage \$45/Day
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Over		
October	1484	1193	291	353	299	54	1837	235	0	\$10,575.00
November	1427	1224	203	215	159	56	1642	98	0	\$4,410.00
December	1418	1279	139	161	131	30	1579	23	0	\$1,035.00
<b>Quarterly Total</b>										<b>\$16,020.00</b>



## Local Sheriff Information

**Champaign County Sheriff**

**Matthew R. Melvin**

**Madison County Sheriff**

**John R. Swaney**

**Union County Sheriff**

**Malcum J. "Jamie" Patton**

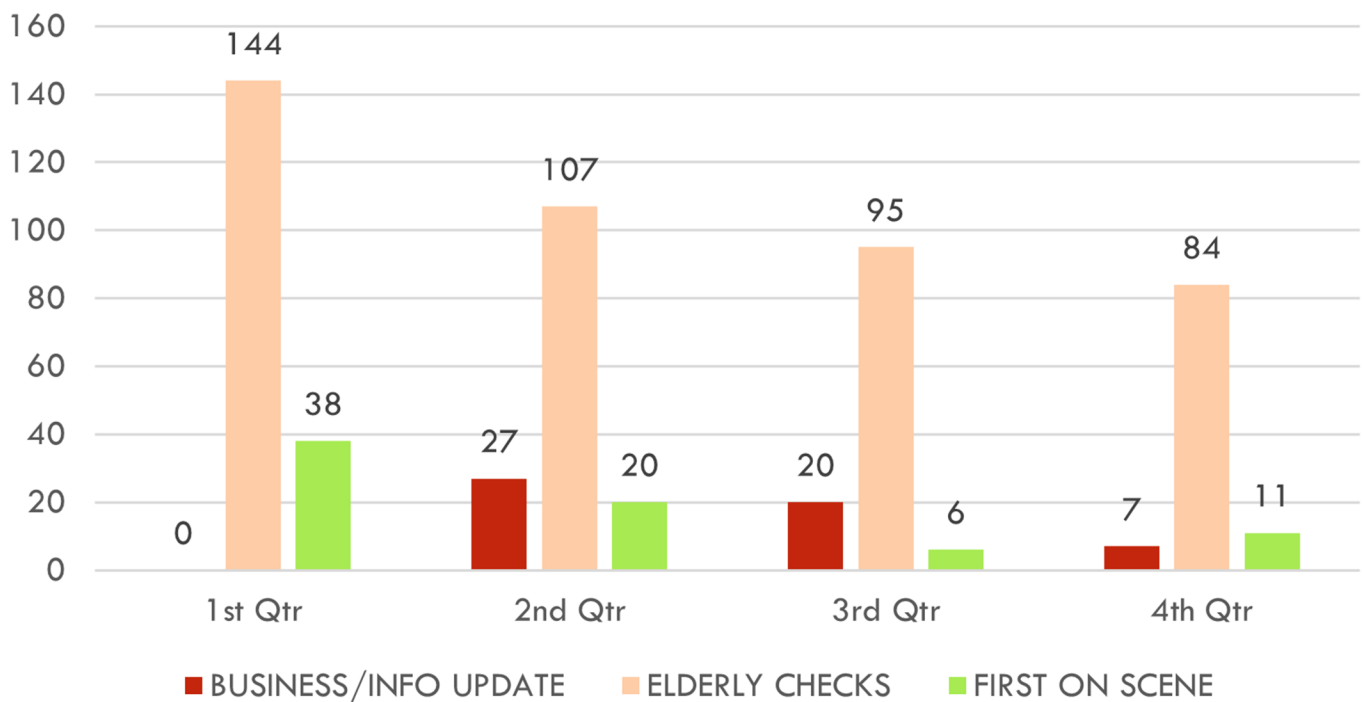




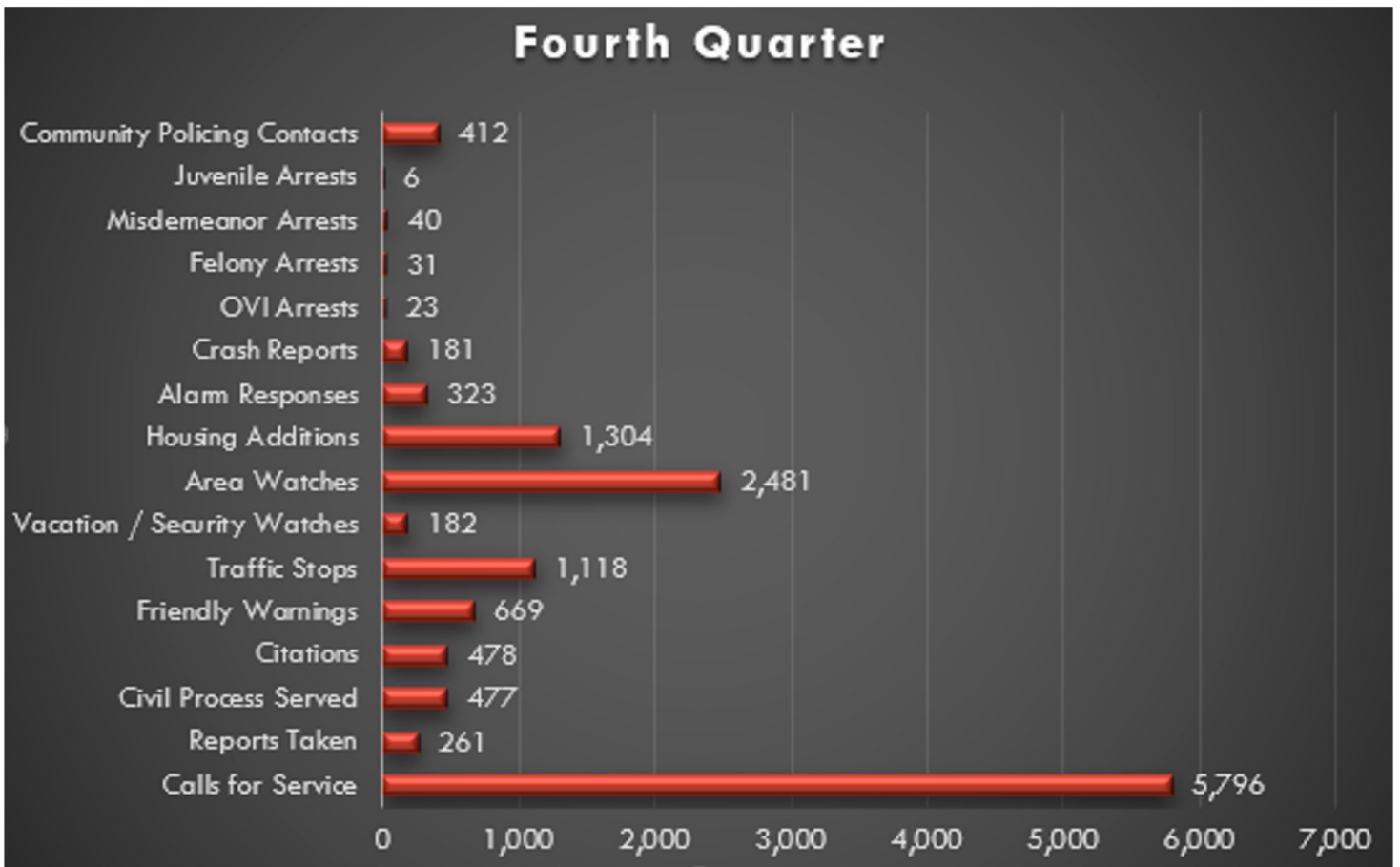
# Public Safety Officers

Public Safety Officers are deputies cross trained to be an emergency medical technician and firefighter.

Public Safety Officer Stats







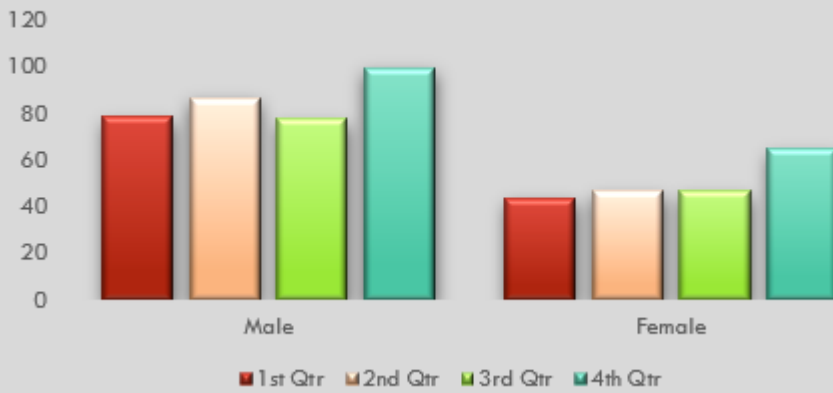
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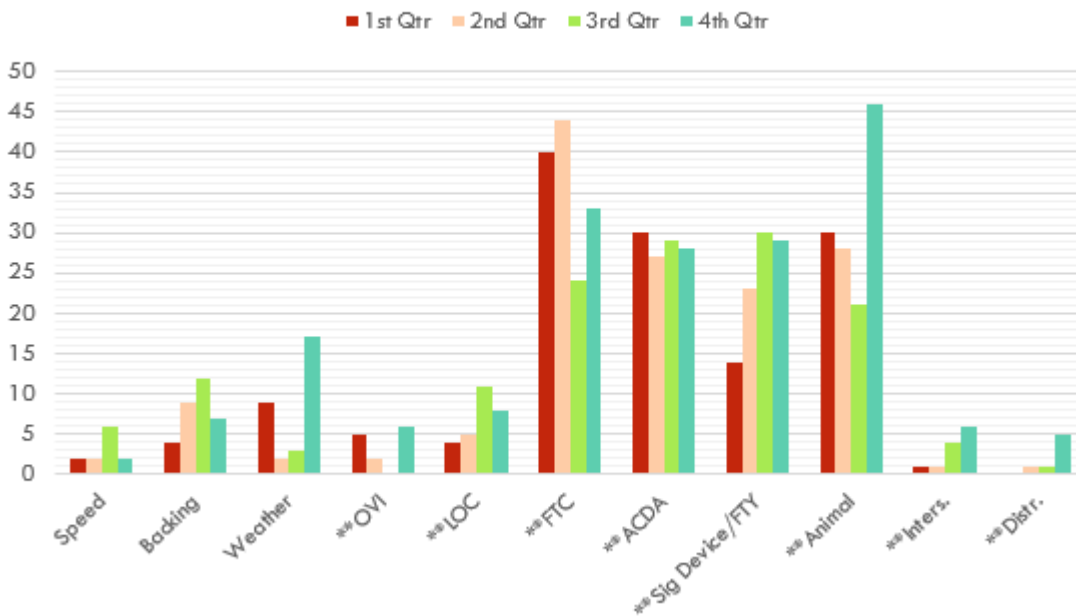
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### Gender of Driver



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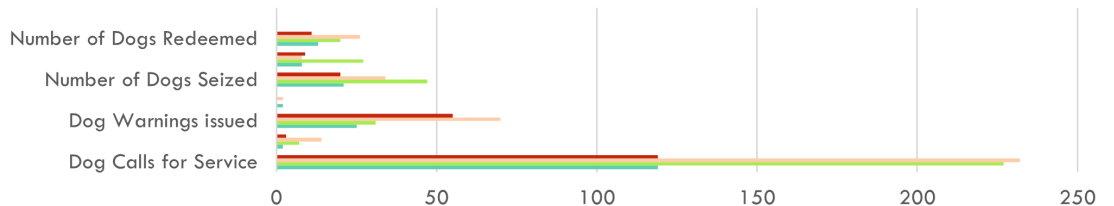


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## Union County Dog Warden- Deputy Pete Lenhardt



### DOG WARDEN



	Dog Calls for Service	Dog Citations issued	Dog Warnings issued	Public Speaking Appearances	Number of Dogs Seized	Number of Dogs Impounded	Number of Dogs Redeemed	Number of Dogs Destroyed
1st	119	3	55	0	20	9	11	0
2nd	232	14	70	2	34	8	26	0
3rd	227	7	31	0	47	27	20	0
4th	119	2	25	2	21	8	13	0

1st 2nd 3rd 4th

# UNION COUNTY SCALES

Category	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Totals
Hours Worked	0	52	62	8	122
Actual Weight of Vehicles	0	644,210	950,530	284,150	1,878,890
Allowed Weight of Vehicles	0	569,000	864,300	262,400	1,695,700
Over Weight of Vehicles	0	75,210	88,230	23,750	187,190
Fine Amounts	\$0	\$5,027	\$4,741	\$961	\$10,729

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.



# BEHIND THE BADGE

COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR PAM MILLHOAN

1. *Where were you born?*

*Defiance, Ohio*

2. *Did you play sports in High School?*

*Yes, I played tennis and was in the ski club.*

3. *What do you do for fun?*

*Arts, crafts and activities with my kids.*

4. *What is something on your bucket list?*

*Travel the world- there's so much more I haven't seen!*

5. *Favorite food?*

*This is hard to narrow down...fish tacos are a favorite.*

6. *Favorite vacation spot?*

*My family often vacations to the lakes in Michigan- we like to explore.*

7. *What made you choose law enforcement as a career?*

*I really enjoy the challenges of communications and serving the public. Serving among first responders in law enforcement makes the work more purposeful and rewarding.*

8. *What is something you'd like to learn?*

*I love learning! Currently, I'd like to learn how to meal plan.*

9. *If you had one superpower, what would it be and why?*

*If I had a superpower, it would be to time-travel. I think it would be interesting to experience another era.*

10. *Who inspires you the most?*

*My mother is inspirational to me, because she stays positive despite every challenge she's faced. She also knows how to do practically everything and never shies away from challenges.*

# SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION



Career Day & Touch a Truck at North Union Elementary. Deputy Jim Mitchell, Deputy Shawn Dyer and Communications Director Pam Millhoan spent time with 4th grade students to discuss their roles with the Union County Sheriff's Office and answering questions from the students.



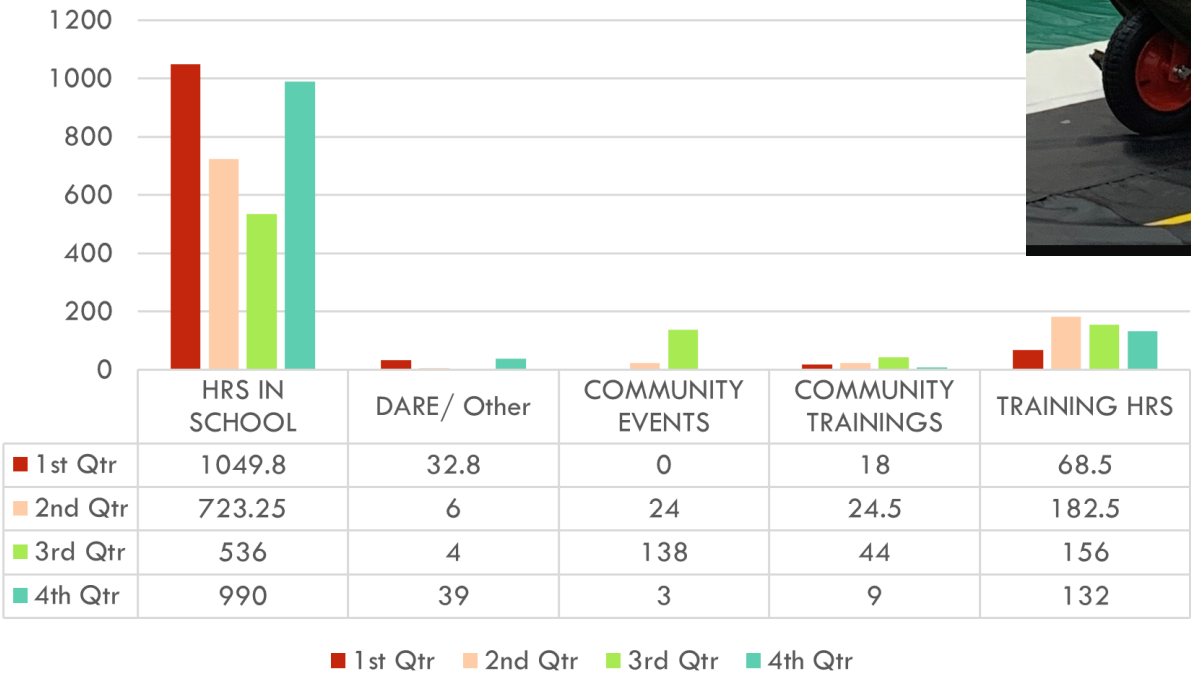
The Union County Sheriff's Office Annual Turkey Shoot sponsored by Whitestone Ordnance, LLC took place in November. Some of the activities included in this event were a 50/50 drawing, door prizes generously donated by Lowe's and Home Depot, and the winner of each round received a \$20 Meijer gift card. The proceeds from this event support our Community Education Outreach programs.



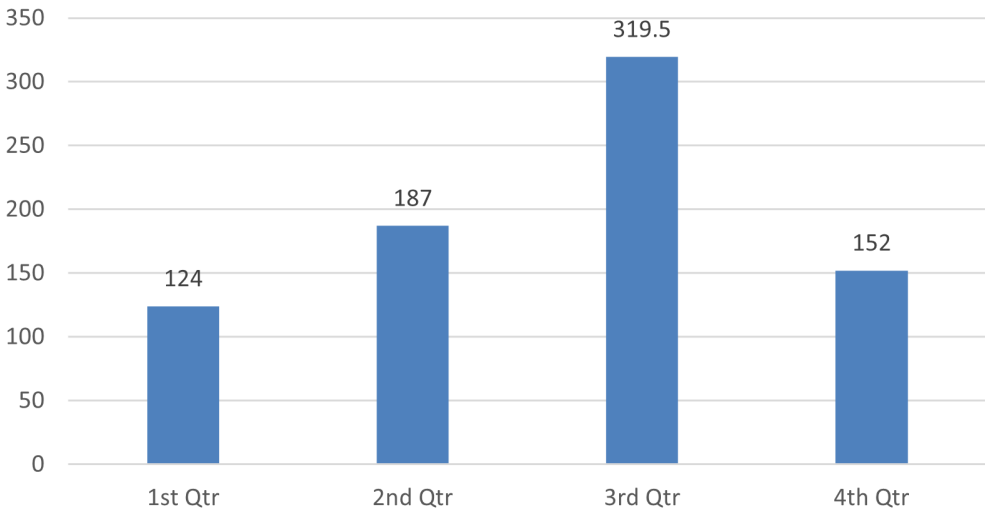
# Support Services continued...



School Resource Officer



VIPS & Special Duty Donated Hours





# NOTABLE MENTIONS



The Mental Health and Recovery Board of Union County honored Deputy Morgan Brown with the Professional of the Year Award. Acknowledged for his hard work and dedication to serving those in need. Deputy Brown serves as the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Coordinator and began his partnership with the Mental Health and Recovery Board in 2020. Brown has built relationships and trust within the community by demonstrating compassion and advocacy. Deputy Brown serves as a liaison for the behavioral health and criminal justice system. His knowledge of the CIT program is sought after in other counties across Ohio and in other states. Congratulations Deputy Brown!

Deputy Pete Lenhardt and the Union County Sheriff's Office were recognized by the Ohio County Dog Wardens Association (OCDWA) for the tremendous pride Deputy Lenhardt has taken in his role as the Union County Dog Warden. Deputy Lenhardt and UCSO were commended for their customer service and collaboration with various agencies within the county and the increased community involvement and citizen report.



Deputy Alex Wargo was a recipient of the 2022 MADD Award of Excellence. MADD represents Mothers Against Drunk Driving, and they provide services to victims of drugged and drunk driving crashes. Nominated for his motivations, comradery and the example he sets for others to follow, Deputy Wargo finds a way to balance all his duties to perform the extra commitment to OVI enforcements.



Sheriff Jamie Patton was sworn-in as the 2023 President of the Buckeye State Sheriff's Association during the 92nd President's Banquet.





In November, Sheriff Jamie Patton, Chief Deputy Tom Morgan and Communications Director Pamela Millhoan received the CLEM Award through the Buckeye State Sheriff's Association. CLEM, Certified Law Enforcement Manager, is a BSSA Accreditation Program developed for Sheriff's, Chief Deputies and Administrators at Sheriff's Offices throughout Ohio.





# DARE GRADUATION

## North Union



## FAIRBANKS

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.







On December 10th, the 9th 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.





## 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.

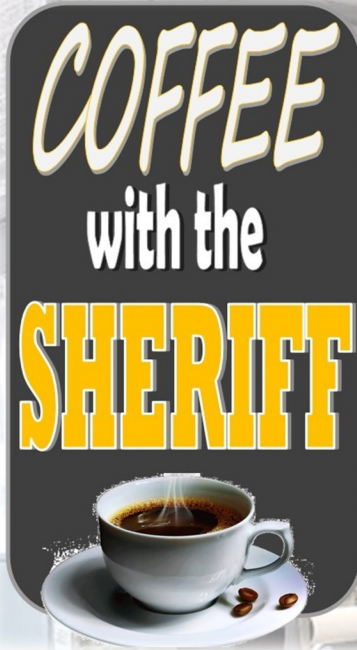
A special part of this annual event is the swearing into office of junior leadership throughout the State., Ali LeMasters was sworn in as Junior Sheriff of Union County. She proudly displays her badge given to her by Sheriff Patton.

Also honored: Columbus Division of Police Junior Chief, Columbus Division of Fire Junior Chief and a Junior Colonel of the Ohio State Highway Patrol.





# Mark Your Calendars



**Friday**  
**Feb. 10, 2023**  
**7 am - 9 am**

**Kelly's Kitchen**  
**5 N. Franklin St.**  
**Richwood, OH 43344**



**Friday**  
**April 7, 2023**  
**7:30 am - 9:30 am**

**Boston's**  
**1099 Lydia Drive**  
**Marysville, OH 43040**



# Highlights of 2022

