

WILMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT & COMMUNICATIONS

This year has been a busy year for the Wilmington Police Department. We had a lot of success with two committees this year. I created a Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC). We have meet quarterly this year. The members of that committee are Dean Feldmeyer, Robyn Allen, David Lieurance, James Prather, Marty Beaugard, Byron McGee, Bekah Muchmore, Bryson Thompson, Nathan Kraatz, Dr. William Kennedy, and Chip Murdock. This committee was formed late in 2014 as a recruitment committee with the intension of transitioning into a CAC. During our meetings we discussed committee issues and policing strategies.

During our February meeting we formulated goals and a mission for the CAC. Our mission is as follows:

The mission of the Wilmington Police Advisory committee is to provide community insight to the Chief of Police so he can create and maintain a police force that is competent, committed, and compassionate about the needs of our community.

It has been a pleasure working with the CAC and I look forward to great things from their insight.

We also decided it was time to review our vision and mission for the organization. To do that a Shared Leadership Committee (SLC) was formed. The SLC is made up of officers, sergeants, and communication personnel. The members of our SLC were Sgt. Fithen, Sgt. Cravens, Ptl. Gibson, Ptl. Matt Hamilton, Disp. Myers, and Disp. Smithson. We worked on our vision, mission, and reviewed our strategic plan as well as other critical documents.

We revised our vision and mission and they are as follows:

Vision Statement

The Wilmington Police Department is committed to providing exceptional customer service by addressing the needs of our community thus greatly increasing the quality of life for all Wilmington's citizens. Furthermore, the Wilmington Police Department strives to utilize community partnerships to reduce crime and to be considered a premier police organization in the state of Ohio.

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Wilmington Police Department to enhance the quality of life in our city, to safeguard the lives and property of the people we serve, preserve the peace, reduce the incidents and fear of crime, and to enhance public safety in accordance with constitutional rights while working with the various members of our community. We will do this with honor and integrity, while conducting ourselves with the highest ethical standards.

We have started the process to get this out to our officers as well as posting them for all to see. I can't thank the SLC members enough for their time and effort.

Calls for service for the year were 17,492. This year had a large number of sex offense cases involving minors. We also had a handful of breaking and entering as some thefts. The calls for service typically remained the same and the only out of the ordinary calls we had were two bomb threats to local schools and Det. Baker indicted and convicted a Dee Wampler for involuntary manslaughter.



In 2015, Ptl. James Smithson was the recipient of the Officer of the Year Award. He continues to work hard for our department and the community. Ptl. James Smithson has had perfect attendance for two years.



Det. Robert Wilson was recognized as our crime fighter of the year for his endless pursuit of criminals.

My thanks to Ptl. James Smithson and Det. Robert Wilson for a job well done. I would also like to recognize Ptl. Kyle Brown, Sgt. Ron Cravens, and Ptl. Jeremy Skates for perfect attendance.

We've been very busy in the community this year. We held safety days at the Banana Split Festival, Senior Center, Walmart, and at Quaker Apartments. We also conducted one medication disposal days where over 50 pounds of pills were collected from local residents. Our medication disposal box that is located in our lobby has collected a little over 300 pounds of pills left for destruction. This year we implemented a traffic safety unit and Ptl. Tyler Johnson was assigned to that unit. This was due to the volume of complaints we had regarding traffic related issues.

We have also been busy with training and in-service. This year we have logged 2236 hours of training. This year we did in-service for driving, Taser, unarmed self-defense, and legal update. Sgt. Cravens and Sgt. Martin put on four range sessions at our range and did an excellent job putting officers through tough scenarios.

This year Wilmington PD saw some new faces. We swore in Ptl. Tyler Johnson and Ptl. Codey Juillerat. We look forward to great things from them.

This year WPD exceeded 1200 arrests. We had 1100 physical arrests and filed another 100 plus charges that were served as summons. This year capped off another great year of fine work by the men and women of WPD.

Wilmington Communications

This year has been very busy for our Communications Center. In 2015, we dispatched 17,492 calls for police service, 3,250 calls for Wilmington EMS, 614 calls for Wilmington FD, 214 Blanchester fire runs, 79 Sabina fire runs, and 509 Sabina EMS runs. Our dispatchers handled just over 6,100 calls for 911 services.

My thanks to our excellent communication staff that worked through shortages all year long. We did hire three new communications officers at the end of 2014 but lost two of them early in 2015. Darcie Mayberry finished her first full year with WPD and did a fine job for us. We tested and hired Terri Murphy as our newest addition to the communications center. We look forward to great things from her.



Hannah Smithson is being recognized as our Communications Officer of the Year for the second straight year. She has done an excellent job for us and has been a joy to work with.

Robin Cassell is being recognized for perfect attendance. This is her third year earning such distinction.

Wilmington Police Department - Yearly Incident Type Comparison

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
911 Check Out	111	105	77	51	45	59	448
Abandoned MV	6	2	1	3	6	0	18
Accident	410	338	321	303	306	258	1,936
Accident - No Report	77	80	91	95	145	131	619
Accident Fatal	0	1	0	1	2	0	4
Accident Hit/Skip	70	44	76	69	57	45	361
Accident-Injury	52	48	51	53	51	61	316
Alarm	406	384	449	474	556	529	2,798
Alarm Other (non billable)	22	8	7	0	0	1	38

Animal in Road	12	12	7	3	6	5	45
Animal Loose	47	56	35	39	39	62	278
Animal Welfare	65	57	43	42	57	72	336
Arson	0	3	1	1	0	2	7
Assault	98	99	80	78	74	61	490
Assist Citizen	893	917	818	740	1,006	1,189	5,563
Assist FD	281	289	296	251	291	306	1,714
Assist Other Agency	333	367	433	293	261	285	1,972
Bad Checks	11	10	11	8	2	7	49
Bar Check	64	19	13	7	1	2	106
Barking Dog	93	69	67	59	50	41	379
Bomb Threat	0	0	0	1	0	2	3
Breaking & Entering	34	49	45	52	30	24	234
Broken Window	4	0	0	0	0	4	8
Burglary	33	38	33	27	24	20	175
Burglary in Progress	5	7	6	5	2	2	27
Checking Building	4,806	2,605	1,788	434	1,439	3,611	14,683
Child Abuse	29	25	31	23	20	24	152
Civil Matter	209	249	256	167	174	133	1,188
Death	7	12	8	10	6	11	54
Debris in Road	32	45	34	36	26	27	200
Disabled MV	234	188	132	147	166	128	995
Disorderly	163	160	116	79	73	94	685
Dispute	103	144	167	123	135	184	856

Disturbance	99	137	180	139	208	172	935
Dog Bite	8	5	9	9	5	6	42
Domestic Assault	115	90	108	80	73	59	525
Domestic Dispute	103	104	92	82	66	79	526
Drag Racing	2	1	0	1	2	4	10
Drugs	135	200	242	151	184	200	1,112
Drunk	266	244	183	162	106	91	1,052
Duplicate	9	8	8	4	0	1	30
Escort	9	3	9	24	22	5	72
Field Interview	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Fight	92	96	58	58	39	28	371
Fire	25	21	23	19	21	21	130
Fireworks	16	27	16	13	18	12	102
Forgery	8	2	2	3	1	3	19
Found Property	131	120	115	111	106	146	729
Fraud	45	47	59	57	58	64	330
Gas Drive Off	52	52	30	31	19	5	189
Graffiti	12	4	6	0	3	1	26
Health Hazard	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
Homicide	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Hunters	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Impound Release	34	46	29	11	0	0	120
Investigation Lead	59	63	63	61	53	82	381
Juvenile Unruly	122	158	103	131	127	123	764

Juveniles	173	185	187	170	155	184	1,054
K9 Use	0	0	3	3	2	1	9
K9 Use - Evidence Location	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
K9 Use - Mutual Aid	0	2	73	0	73	81	229
K9 Use - Tracking	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Kidnapping	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Landlord/Tenant Dispute	14	15	10	10	11	9	69
Lock out/in Bldg	6	4	2	0	2	2	16
Lost Property	36	50	36	41	40	29	232
Loud Music	125	117	106	79	86	90	603
Loud Noise	103	120	127	130	83	94	657
Menacing	137	194	177	172	121	92	893
Mental	52	57	68	46	58	44	325
Message Delivery	35	27	23	19	28	31	163
Missing Person	18	36	34	20	31	16	155
Nature Unknown	5	10	4	3	4	0	26
Neighbor Dispute	40	48	35	48	26	31	228
Notice	13	6	25	90	95	96	325
Open Door	76	33	33	26	34	35	237
Open Window	2	3	3	3	1	2	14
Other City Ordinance	94	95	117	48	33	27	414
Other Jurisdiction	1	1	4	0	1	1	8
Other Offense	26	31	25	15	8	10	115
Overdose	0	0	0	4	12	8	24

Parking	155	90	72	91	95	108	611
Parking 72hr	34	25	31	25	27	46	188
PeaceKeeper	143	150	148	157	135	137	870
Person with Gun	11	10	12	4	5	9	51
Person with knife	4	4	9	3	4	2	26
Phone Harassment	146	164	142	112	56	90	710
Prisoner Transport	108	64	73	89	51	68	453
Property Damage	254	228	195	171	145	172	1,165
Protection Order Violation	24	18	20	13	11	12	98
Prowler	41	36	25	15	11	17	145
Rape	2	3	3	4	5	7	24
Reckless Operation	264	262	228	232	283	248	1,517
Recreation Vehicle Violation	6	6	5	10	6	3	36
Remove Person	138	160	150	161	145	160	914
Robbery	10	6	5	8	4	15	38
Robbery in Progress	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
Runaway	2	3	0	4	0	2	11
Safety Hazard	11	22	2	0	1	3	39
Sex Offense	11	11	23	18	18	18	99
Shooting	0	2	0	1	1	1	5
Shoplifter	69	101	154	112	199	150	785
Shots Heard	19	25	14	21	20	15	114
Solicitors	42	27	36	30	16	15	166
Special Detail	1	0	0	0	0	1	2

Stabbing	2	0	2	1	1	1	7
Stolen MV	21	21	19	24	10	19	114
Suicide	2	0	0	0	1	1	4
Suicide Attempt	18	16	15	10	26	25	110
Suspicious Activity	260	263	265	299	286	333	1,706
Suspicious Person	309	291	387	339	379	375	2,080
Suspicious Vehicle	195	203	195	202	217	227	1,239
Theft	501	508	528	560	440	423	2,960
Traffic Detail	38	22	21	17	17	17	132
Traffic Hazard	52	40	35	42	58	49	276
Transport	29	19	10	16	33	66	173
Trespassing	34	38	49	47	46	45	259
Unauthorized Use MV	6	6	7	7	6	5	37
Vandalism	14	8	14	13	20	13	82
Vehicle Unlock	1,271	1,225	1,141	1,143	1,152	1,100	7,032
Vicious Dog	7	7	2	0	6	5	27
Warrant Service (BPD)	2	1	2	0	5	3	13
Warrant Service (Other Agency)	115	96	83	79	91	120	584
Warrant Service (WPD)	438	468	598	650	728	523	3,405
Welfare Check	259	277	273	249	281	351	1,690
Total	16,080	13,824	12,914	10,728	12,108	14,355	80,009