INTRODUCTION

The Ogden City Police Department saw several successes in what was a transformational 2017. Steven R. Watt arrived as Chief in January of 2017 and instituted significant changes to the way we do business. A “Deep Dive” 10 year evaluation was completed for each bureau in the department. The analysis provided a look at where the department’s human and monetary resources were being expended.

The intense evaluation lead to new strategic goals and Measures Of Effect for each bureau within the department. The implementation of these strategic goals will be tied to performance evaluations to create unity in the direction and efforts of the police department.

The implementation of these goals and priorities lead to some very positive results in 2017. We will detail these results by bureau in the following pages. The Ogden Police Department also developed a new Mission Statement which exemplifies our commitment to the community of Ogden.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Ogden Police Department maintains public safety and order throughout the City of Ogden by reducing crime, destroying the perception of criminality, harnessing the power of the community and its members in accomplishing our mission, and creating an environment whereby all persons may feel secure in their persons and property while exercising their Constitutional Rights to Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.
The Uniform Patrol Bureau patrols the neighborhoods of Ogden keeping its citizens and their property safe. The bureau fielded 87,086 calls for service in 2017. That is up from 81,751 in 2016.

Although they were tasked with handling 6,000 more calls for service in 2017 the bureau was able to reduce the response time on calls for service drastically.

The average response time on all calls for service in 2017 was reduced by ten minutes from 2016. The average response time on in progress calls for service was reduced by two minutes in 2017.

The Animal Services Bureau handles domestic animal complaints and dog licensing in Ogden City. The bureau responded to 2,808 calls in 2017. That was a 7.21% increase over 2016.

Alarmingly the greatest increase in call type was Cruelty to Animal Calls. This increase was in part to the bureau's increased efforts to address the shelter needs of dogs during harsh weather in both the summer and winter.
The Traffic Bureau is tasked with proactive traffic enforcement targeted at the reduction of property damage and injury accidents in Ogden City.

The bureau investigated 1,877 accidents in 2017, nine of which were fatal. They issued 4,481 citations and made 79 DUI arrests.

The Traffic Bureau Officers are also our motorcycle officers. The Motor Officers provided service to 40 events including the Ogden Marathon, Pioneer Days Rodeo and Parade and the Tour of Utah Cycling Event.

In 2017 they reinstated a foot patrol of the downtown business district. The Community Policing Officers coordinated with Code Enforcement to mitigate problems at 55 locations throughout Ogden City. They served 20 search warrants and made 661 business contacts.

The officers also gave 30 presentations to Schools, Churches, Community groups and Scout Troops.

The Community Policing Bureau is tasked with problem solving in the eight police service districts throughout Ogden City. The officers address problems utilizing a partnership with residents. They often work from bicycles and foot patrol.
CRIME REDUCTION UNIT

Crime Reduction Unit (CRU) reduces crime by actively targeting career criminals and habitual offenders in the crime reduction area which consists of 20th Street to 30th Street, Washington Blvd to Harrison Blvd.

The CRU utilizes a variety of investigative techniques, technology applications, and works in conjunction with the Gang Enforcement Unit, as well as the Weber-Morgan Narcotics Strike Force. The efforts of the CRU lead to a 4.1% reduction on Part One crime in the CRU area of enforcement in downtown Ogden.

Drug Detection K-9 Zek works in the CRU and was deployed for “drug sniffs” 140 times during 2017. Of those 140 deployments Zek located illegal narcotics 119 times.

INVESTIGATIONS

The Detectives Bureau supports crime reduction by conducting high quality effective investigations into crimes to ensure identification of criminals and their successful prosecution.

The Investigations Bureau received 4,652 cases for investigation in 2017. That is up from 3,709 in 2016. There were four homicide investigations in 2017 as compared to one in 2016.
WEBER MORGAN NARCOTIC STRIKE FORCE

The Ogden Police Department contributes seven officers to the Weber Morgan Narcotics Strike Force to include a lieutenant as its commander.

The Bureau is tasked with the investigation of illegal drug possession, manufacturing and trafficking in Weber and Morgan Counties. The Bureau investigated 893 cases in 2017 as compared to 547 in 2016.

In 2017 the bureau seized 41 pounds of Methamphetamine, 35 pounds of Marijuana, 622 illegal pills, and 2 pounds of Heroin. Agents made 456 arrests in 2017 up from 361 in 2016.

OGDEN METRO GANG TASK FORCE

The Ogden Police Department contributes six officers and a sergeant to the Ogden Metro Gang Unit.

Their mission is to investigate gang related crimes, conduct gang suppression activities, document and maintain intelligence files on gang members and conduct gang reduction educational presentations in Weber and Morgan Counties.

The Gang Unit initiated 233 cases in 2017 up from 189 in 2016. They made 226 arrests which is also up from 147 in 2016. The Gang Unit seized 109 firearms as a result of its gang investigations in 2017.
SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

Through a partnership with the Ogden School District, the Ogden Police Department has an officer in each High School and Junior High in the Ogden School District.

The SRO’s work as a team with school administration to create a safe learning environment for children. An additional SRO is assigned to the elementary schools to teach a Prevention Dimensions curriculum which aims to curb violence, bullying and drug and alcohol use by youth.

SRO’s assisted school officials with 1,230 events in their schools. They issued 63 citations and made 89 arrests in an effort to ensure a safe learning environment for all children in Ogden City Schools.

REAL TIME CRIME CENTER

The Ogden Real Time Crime Center is staffed with two sworn officers, three full-time civilian and one-part time civilian analysts. It is also supported by part time personnel from the Federal Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms and Roy City Police Department. It serves as the foundation for the police departments Intelligence Led Policing Strategy.

The RTTC develops actionable information for officers and detectives in the filed by mining data provided by the Records Management System and other public databases. The RTCC also supplies critical support in on-going investigations.

The RTCC handled 1700 requests for information in 2017, a 321 % increase from 2016.
The Ogden Police Training Bureau is tasked with ensuring that the officers of the Ogden Police Department are trained with the latest methods and techniques to safely and effectively perform their duties. They are also responsible for new hire recruiting and testing and promotional processes within the department.

The Training Bureau managed two hiring processes which evaluated 300 applicants. We hired 34 of those applicants and the Training Bureau saw them through the Utah Police Academy and the in-house training programs.

There were 22,786 hours of training by current officers during 2017. The Ogden Police Department hosted 20 classes which 287 officers from outside jurisdictions attended along with Ogden Officers.

Diana Lopez is the Community Outreach coordinator for the Ogden Police Department. Along with training and educating the community on gang prevention and the Police Department she coordinates programs to encourage police and citizen engagement in Ogden City.

The Ogden Police Department sponsored Make a Difference Day at Gramercy Elementary. We donated recess equipment for 15 classrooms, recognized 410 students with a stuffed animal and anti-bullying pencil and served 54 breakfasts to parents.

At the National Night Out Against Crime there were 51 booths from local non-profits and businesses and 1500 residents attended.

We hosted two Citizens Academy’s and A Day in the Life program for youth to experience the world of police service.

There were 17 guest speakers and 259 attendees at the Annual Gang Conference held at the Ogden Megaplex Theaters.

We hosted Cops, Kids and Christmas at the Ogden Shop-Ko where 30 kids were able to shop with an Ogden Police Officer.
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