

Annual Report



2013

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A Word from Chief Lang...



Dear Mayor Schuster and Members of the Beatrice City Council,

I am again proud to present to you the 2013 Beatrice Police Department Annual Report. A report like this often focuses on numbers as we search for an effective way to evaluate the delivery of police services.

Rather than focus on numbers, I hope we can instead look at our overall quality of life. Do citizens feel safe, does the Department member they encounter treat them with respect and provide them the assistance they requested and is the Department understanding of current issues facing our citizens. The Beatrice Police Department is a cog in the wheel of City government, one which sometimes gets significant public attention, but just a part none the less.

We hope through our efforts, that citizens will feel good about their community and will talk about their public servants with a level of pride and appreciation. It is through the cooperative efforts of all parts of City government that we can achieve these goals. As always, if you have questions about any subject included in this report please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bruce E. Lang". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bruce E. Lang
Chief of Police
City of Beatrice

Mission Statement

“The Beatrice Police Department will provide service and protection to its citizens through a professional and caring staff of sworn and non-sworn personnel.

A strong patrol presence, supported by various other divisions within the department will be the basis for our crime prevention efforts. Members of the department will work to maintain the standard of living that citizens of Beatrice have come to enjoy.”

Administration



Chief of Police
Bruce Lang
1992

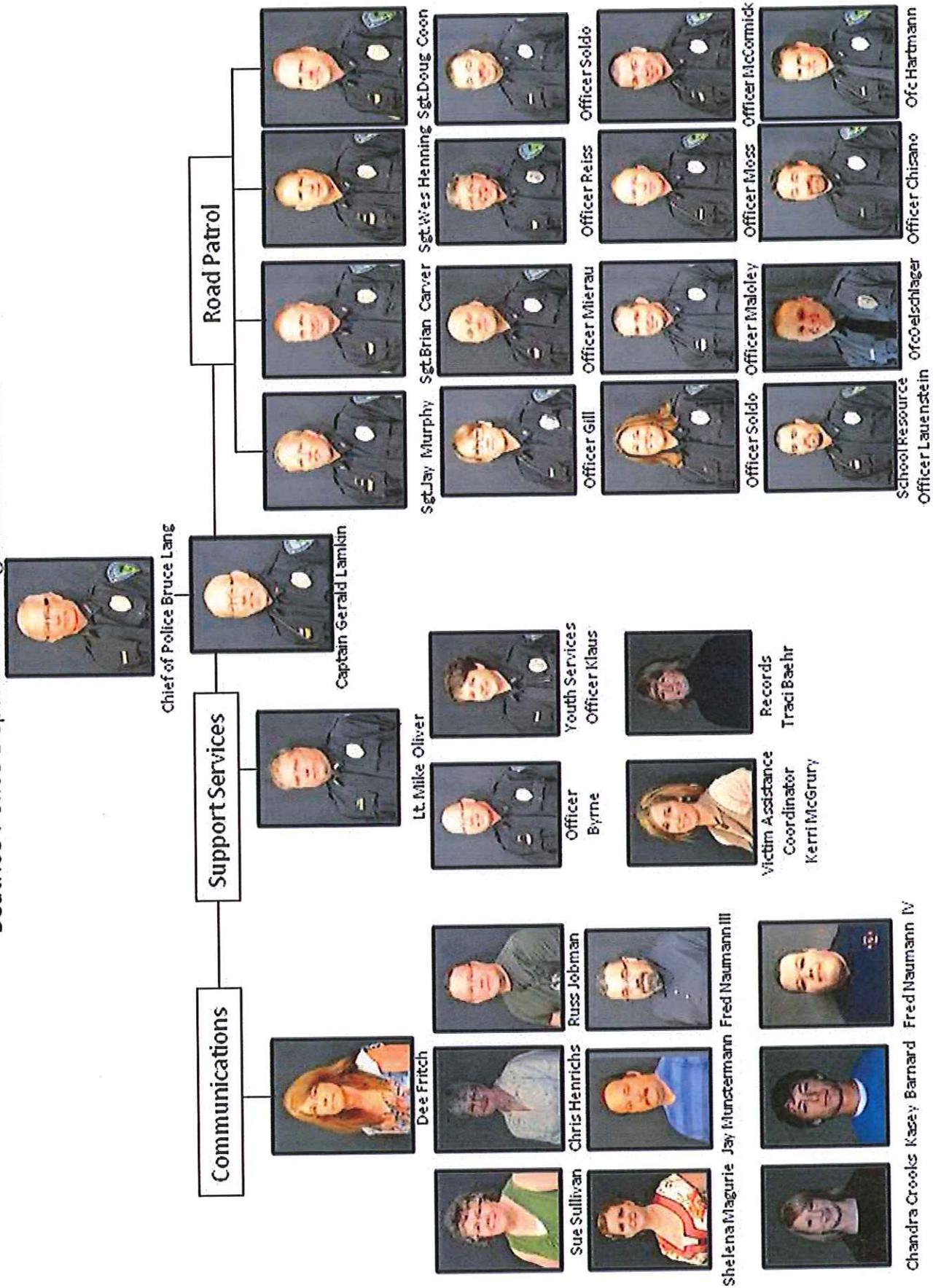


Police Secretary
Traci Baehr
2005



Victim Assistance Coordinator
Kerri McGrury
1998

Beatrice Police Department Organizational Chart 2013



Changes in Staff 2013

Promotions

- Kasey Barnard – Full Time Dispatcher

Internal Transfers

- None

New Hires

- Fred Naumann IV – Part Time Dispatcher

Resignations

- none

Retirements

- Cheryl Honea – Police Officer
- Ed White - Dispatcher

2013 Grants

This year we were provided the opportunity to operate a little more effectively through the use of three specific grants. These grants were for selective enforcement, two from the Office of Highway Safety, through the Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles and one through the funding provided by M.A.P.S. (Multiple Agencies Partnering for Success). The total amount of grant funds awarded our department in 2013 were over \$1,974.22. The funding for these selective enforcement grants allowed us to concentrate not only on our traffic enforcement efforts to specific areas of drinking and driving as well as seat belt enforcement but also in the area of underage drinking. The name of the officer assigned to oversee the specific grant is listed below.

On December 6th, over a four and one-half hour period during the afternoon and early evening three (3) officers conducted Compliance Checks with the assistance of five underage individuals. The purpose of these checks is to ensure that all businesses with an approved Liquor License are following proper procedures on the sale of alcohol. Thirty-One businesses were checked and five were found not in compliance, having sold alcohol to an underage individual.

Grant Award: \$455.07
Officer Shane Maloley

From November 25 to December 01, 2013 our department once again participated in a selective enforcement targeting compliance of the state's occupant protective system (seatbelt) law. The post enforcement survey showed an increase of 4% in seat belt usage after the week long selective enforcement. This is a 3% increase from the same selective enforcement ran in 2012. Once again, a small percentage in increase may not seem significant unless you or a family member is a life spared due to becoming compliant with seat belt usage.

Grant Award: \$ 1,519.15
Officer Anthony Chisano

From December 13, 2013 through January 1, 2014 our department participated in the selective traffic enforcement targeting impaired drivers. The campaign was entitled "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" was part of the nationwide "You Drink & Drive You Lose" program to help in reducing the increase in alcohol related crashes. Officers put in an extra 103.5 hours and drove over 569 miles in this selective enforcement endeavor. This enforcement resulted in over fifty citations or arrest for charges ranging from Driving While Intoxicated and Minor in Possession of Alcohol to Driving Under Suspension and Driving without Proof of Insurance.

Grant Award: \$ 3,942.46
Officer Anthony Chisano

2013 Overtime

During the past year, overtime to help cover shifts once again saw our largest increase in the area of Fill In. Our hours in this area increased 26% over the same period the previous year. This was prompted by physically covering officers who were out due to injuries or illnesses.

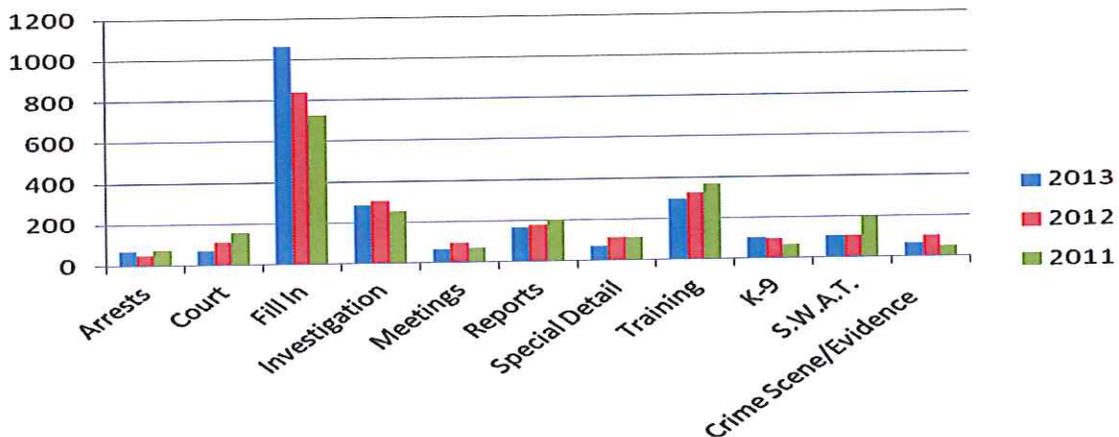
While the overtime hours for Arrests increased 45% over last year, eight other categories actually decreased on an average of 14%.

K-9 usage / training increased 8% which is we are pleased with due to not only the increased exposure of the unit but the positive outcomes this unit provides.

The number of overtime hours in the area of Training continues to decrease despite the States requirement for specific mandatory training of all sworn officers. Again I feel this can be accredited to the number of in-house training sessions taught by our own personnel.

Overtime Totals

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Arrests	70	48	72.5
Court	70.5	107.5	155
Fill In	1061.5	837.55	728
Investigation	284.75	304.05	252
Meetings	62.5	93	69
Reports	164.5	175.5	203
Special Detail	71	109	111
Training	292.5	326	366
K-9	100	92	62.5
S.W.A.T.	102	104.5	198
Crime Scene/Evidence	64.75	98.25	46
Total Overtime Hours	2344	2295.35	2263



COMMUNICATIONS



Dispatch Supervisor
Desiree Fritch
1985



Sue Sullivan
1992



Chris Henrichs
1993



Shelena Maguire
2001



Russell Jobman
2003



Jay Munstermann
2008



Fred Naumann
2011



Kasey Barnard
2013

Part time Dispatchers



Chandra Crooks
2010



Fred Naumann IV
2013

Communications Calls for Service

Communications receives thousands of calls in a year. When a call is received that will require action from an officer or a call that we need to keep record of we put it in the computer as a Call for Service (CFS).

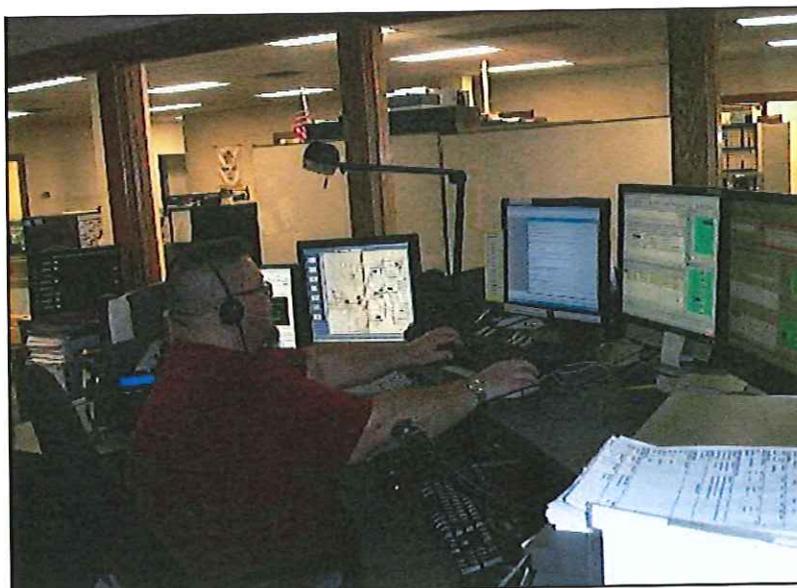
A call for service (CFS) can be initiated different ways.
The call can be initiated by:

1. A person walking into the station
2. A telephone call
3. 911 call
4. Officer initiated.

A CFS requires gathering all pertinent information to initiate a report in order to dispatch an officer/agency. The following things need to be gathered.

1. Type of call
2. Reporting partie's name and phone number
3. Location of the call which can be different than where the caller is at the time
4. Details or narrative that the caller advises so the officer has a heads up prior to arriving at the scene.

Depending on the nature of the call, it is important that the dispatcher remain calm in order to calm the caller if needed. If this is a "hot" call, the dispatcher will keep the caller on the phone and relay all information to the officer that is en-route to the call.



Beatrice Communications 2013

The Beatrice Communications Center entered 20529 Calls for Service for the 2013 year. This includes all of Gage County law enforcement, rescue and fire agencies. This is a 751 difference from 2012 which is not in one particular place or call type. Ed White, one of our full time dispatchers, had to resign due to health issues after being with us for 18 ½ years. Kasey Barnard, one of our part time dispatchers, was hired to fill the vacancy that Ed resignation left. Shelena Maguire was moved to the day shift opening that Ed had and Kasey moved into the night shift opening that Shelena left.

We hired Fred Naumann IV to fill the part time opening that Kasey left. Kasey Barnard and Fred Naumann IV went to the Law Enforcement Training Center in October for the Basic Dispatch, EMD and TTY training.

Other full time dispatchers include Sue Sullivan, Russ Jobman, Fred Nauman III, Jay Munstermann and myself, Dee Fritch. Chris Henrichs works both dispatch and records and fills in when dispatchers are off for vacation or sick time. Chandra Crooks also works part time, filling in for dispatchers when needed.

While I was running the statistics for 2013 I discovered that Fridays in May between the hours of 2:00 and 3:00 in the afternoon was the busiest time for incoming calls for service. Sunday mornings in February between 4:00 and 5:00 a.m. prove to be the slowest for incoming calls.

Lt. Oliver is now in charge of the Communications Center overseeing the daily operations of the dispatchers. So with that said, here's to Lt. Oliver and the Beatrice Communications Center in a having a healthy and routine 2014.

2013 Calls for Service

This list is a total for the entire county of Gage including the Beatrice Police Department, Gage County Sheriff's Office, Wymore Police Department, Nebraska Game and Parks, Board of Public Works, Animal Control and all Gage County Rural Fire/Rescue Agencies.

CALL TYPE	2010	2011	2012	2013
911 Hang Up	113	72	71	70
Accident/Fatality	7	3	2	6
Accident/H&R	Were not recorded separately these years			126
Accident/Injuries	141	129	122	107
Accident/No Injuries	882	835	704	623
Adult Abuse	34	59	67	77
Alarm	43	25	32	47
ALS	17	23	23	20
Animal Bite	44	49	30	43
Animal Complaint	1138	1153	1115	848
Animal Cruelty	106	113	94	80
Arson	1	8	2	1
Assault	171	206	168	157
Assist Citizen	265	221	198	179
Assist Other Agency	233	222	254	227
Attempted Suicide	21	13	19	10
Bar Check	375	536	473	419
Barking Dog	178	127	128	116
Board of Public Works	213	207	210	203
Bomb Threat	0	1	1	0
Burglar Alarm	250	276	291	235
Burglary	187	172	171	160
Child Abuse	201	202	224	249
Civil	334	323	309	382
Complaint Against Officer	4	2	3	12
Compliance Check	56	29	0	59
Crimestoppers	16	27	29	14
Death	93	70	92	87
Disorderly Conduct	15	14	10	12
Disturbance	521	508	470	446
Drowning	1	0	0	0
Drug Information	135	101	105	80
Drug Lab	11	3	1	0
Drug Violation	63	74	37	46
DUS	53	59	48	36
Driving While Intoxicated	141	167	82	84

CALL TYPE	2010	2011	2012	2013
Embezzlement	1	1	2	1
Emergency Protective Custody	13	5	7	6
Escort	124	119	106	98
Fail to Appear	15	12	14	15
False Reporting	4	4	6	3
Field Interview	116	105	114	85
Fire	191	250	258	203
Fire Alarm	133	127	135	121
Forgery	8	1	3	7
Found Animal	220	219	164	156
Found Property	258	257	248	190
Fraud	105	88	94	95
Gambling Violation	1	2	0	0
Game Violation	16	19	8	16
Gas Drive Off	69	101	112	75
General Information	284	282	310	321
Harassment	270	316	279	222
Health Hazard	72	76	82	63
Hitch Hiker	22	20	15	11
Homicide	0	0	0	0
ICAC	3	15	6	5
Identity Theft	5	10	13	11
Indecent Exposure	9	17	10	6
Injury	7	5	3	1
Jail Incident	4	7	8	3
Junked Motor Vehicle	62	53	32	107
Juvenile	437	440	391	302
Liquor Laws	66	90	41	32
Lost Animal	149	161	148	148
Lost Property	69	69	59	75
Mental	54	66	74	81
Minor in Possession	31	40	35	17
Missing Person	26	43	20	20
Motor Vehicle Theft	20	37	50	22
Motorist Assist	445	508	317	318
Noise	295	241	204	200
Open Door	136	132	137	75
Out of Unit	390	352	317	305
Ordinance Violation	165	164	149	167
Paper Service	581	897	787	672
Parking 2 hr.	42	47	63	56
Parking 24 hrs.	156	119	97	98
Parking/other	387	314	228	249

CALL TYPE	2010	2011	2012	2013
Probation Violation	14	6	16	7
Property Damage	46	48	25	31
Protection Order Violation	63	51	31	55
Prowler	29	19	16	8
Public Service	166	223	233	248
Pursuit	3	12	4	4
Rape	2	5	2	3
Remove Party	140	182	168	134
Rescue	1175	1228	1309	1387
Robbery	1	1	1	1
Runaway	96	59	66	45
SEADE	1	10	21	29
Search Warrant	4	1	1	6
Sex Offender Registration	24	29	10	9
Sexual Assault	45	64	36	44
Shoplifting	40	53	66	62
Solicitor	20	17	13	35
Suicide	3	3	10	1
Suspicious	605	676	731	670
Terrorism	0	0	0	1
Theft	614	554	546	409
Threats	136	113	169	148
Traffic Hazard	225	235	198	228
Traffic Stops	2733	3300	3305	3506
Transfer	850	862	766	773
Transport	171	222	222	227
Trash	70	72	52	59
Trespassing	80	52	78	71
Truancy	44	39	21	21
Unknown	4	4	7	3
Vacation Watch	74	73	78	91
Vandalism	398	448	356	271
Vehicle Comp/DUI	280	298	255	274
Vehicle Comp/Noise	38	37	15	24
Vehicle Comp/Other	481	422	468	449
Vehicle Comp/Bus Arm	6	9	8	9
Vehicle Comp/Speeding	180	161	171	171
Vehicle Comp/Stop Sign	1	4	7	2
Warrants	311	324	279	209
Watch	145	124	132	183
Weapon Laws Violation	16	17	13	29
Weather	30	25	16	22
Welfare Check	584	635	628	601
Totals	21472	22577	21280	20529

2013 Calls for Service by Agency

Beatrice Police Department	14370
Homestead National Monument	71
Board of Public Works	203
Gage County Sheriff's Office	7745
Wymore Police Department	867
Beatrice Fire and Rescue & Rural Fire	3640
Adams Fire	25
Adams Rescue	51
Barneston Fire	9
Blue Springs Fire	19
Cortland Fire	21
Clatonia Fire	13
Clatonia Rescue	57
Cortland QRT's	40
Dewitt Fire	0
Filley Fire	20
Odell Fire	18
Odell QRT's	13
Pickrell Fire/QRT's	29
SEADE	34
Wymore Fire	40
Wymore Rescue	160

A total for all would not be accurate as on an injury accident for example, there is always a fire unit, a rescue unit, an extrication unit and a law enforcement officer sent therefore this would generate four different calls for service for one actual call.

The Beatrice Communications Center does not dispatch State Patrol officers to calls however, there are times when all deputies are busy on other calls and a State Patrolman is asked to handle a call in the county therefore, they will be dispatched on the call for future reference.

The Beatrice Communications Center answers the Board of Public Works phones on evenings, weekends and holidays and calls out the appropriate department to handle the emergency call. During a major power outage, one calls for service is entered and every callers address is added to that call rather than making a calls for service per caller. The Communications Center also receives calls for Board of Public Works during normal business hours however in that case, the call is simply transferred out to the Service Center.



Captain Gerald Lamkin
1991



Sgt Jay Murphy
1990



Sgt Wes Henning
1997



Sgt Doug Coon
1997



Sgt Brian Carver
2000



Officer Ernie Reiss
1989



Officer Robert Mierau
2002



Officer Zac Lauenstein
2002



Officer Colleen Soldo
2005



Officer Kristine Gill
2006



Officer Joseph McCormick
2007



Officer Robert Soldo
2008



Officer Shane Maloley
2009



Officer Daniel Moss
2009



Officer Tom Oelschlager
2010



Officer Anthony Chisano
2011



Officer Ben Hartmann
2012

P a t r o l

Vehicle Summary 2013

In March 2013 the Beatrice Police Department purchased a new 2013 Police Interceptor Utility. We traded in our 2001 GMC Jimmy to help with that purchase. Our 2006 Ford Crown Vic with 136,000 miles was removed from regular patrol duty to be used as a school/training vehicle. The police department plans on adding 2014 Police Interceptor sedan to the fleet and rotating Unit #5 out of service.

The Beatrice Police Department maintains a fleet of six marked patrol vehicles. We also utilize five unmarked vehicles that are used for Administration, Investigations, and our school/training vehicle, in addition to two multipurpose vehicles. During 2013, the Department spent \$21,171 on vehicle repairs compared to \$28,142 in 2012. We believe there are two reasons for the savings in vehicle repairs, other than maybe good luck. In 2013 we changed several vendors we used for repair work. In 2012 we started rotating our tires every time we changed our oil. We believe this has reduced the frequency in purchasing new tires which cost between \$350 and \$450 per unit.

During 2013, our road patrol vehicles were driven an average of 17,454 miles per vehicle. The six patrol units drove a combined 104,722 miles compared to 119,702 in 2012.

FLEET INFORMATION

Unit	Year	Make	Model	Mileage	Miles Driven in 2013	Use
1	2010	Ford	Crown Vic	72,824	21,068	Patrol
2	2008	Ford	Crown Vic	109,516	11,969	Patrol/K9
3	2011	Chevy	Tahoe	59,968	17,817	Patrol/Supervisor
4	2013	Ford	P.I. SUV	35,009	20,835	Patrol
5	2009	Ford	Crown Vic	90,515	15,374	Patrol
6	2013	Ford	P.I. SUV	17,659	17,659	Patrol
7	2000	Chevy	Impala	104,546	1,176	Administration
9	2005	Ford	Crown Vic	104,546	2,041	School Resource
11	2002	Chevy	Impala	82,036	4,836	Administration
12	2007	Ford	Explorer	101,671	6,868	Investigations
14	2001	Ford	Crown Vic	128,815	3,341	Investigations
Bus	1996	Chevy	Blue Bird	5,851	9	Mobile Command
SWAT	1997	Ford	Armored Veh	308,623	149	Tactical Deployment

VEHICLE EXPENSE

	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Parts/Supplies	11,371	\$15,699	\$20,559	\$17,581	\$14,895
Labor	9,800	\$12,443	\$14,640	\$10,995	\$12,100
Maintenance/Repair Total	21,171	\$28,142	\$35,199	\$28,576	\$26,995
Gas and Oil Total	Amount not Avail	\$42,958	\$40,559	\$36,587	\$22,401

Training Summary

The Beatrice Police Department strives, through an aggressive training program, to keep our employees up-to-date with the constantly changing legal, tactical and informational concepts. In spite of rising training costs and ever-present budget cuts, we are attempting to better utilize the funds available to us by providing in-house training, hosting training courses, and sending employees to free or low cost training.

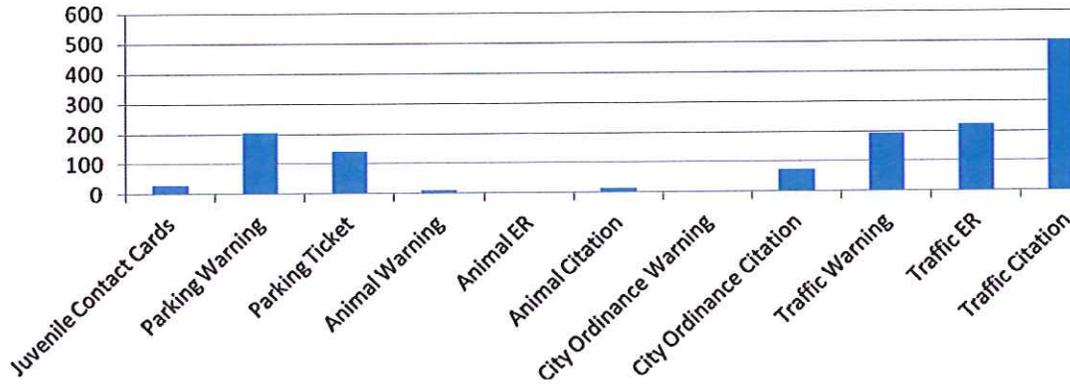
2013 was the first year that Officers were required to complete 20 hours of continuing education. Continuing Education hours are earned on a hour for hour ratio. All Officers were able to achieve this requirement. Members of the department logged over 1,383 hours of continuing education courses. Some of the more notable training events of 2013 attended by Police Department personnel are listed below.

Interview and Interrogation	GPS Interrogation
Leadership in Police Organization	Basic Cell Phone Investigation
Elder Abuse	Protect our Children Conference
Chic-Fil-A Leadership	Child Protection Seat Tech Update
Technical Crash Investigation	Firearms Instructor Recertification
Child Death Investigation	HazMat One Pot Meth Cooks
Smart Drivers	School Resource Officer Conference
Establishing Ethical Expert Witness	ICAC Training on Child Exploitation
Homicide Investigation for 1 st responders	NeLEIN Conference

The Beatrice Police Department also conducts in-house training on a monthly basis. Much of the training listed below has been provided to employees, aside from the employee's wages, at no cost to the department. Additionally, the Beatrice Police Department maintains instructors in various disciplines allowing us to conduct much of our training in-house. In-house training is listed below.

- Pursuits and Use of Force
- NCJIS/Inventory Update
- Firearms – Handgun Qualification and Less Lethal Shotgun
- Defensive Tactics
- Total Station Update
- CPR Recertification
- Active Shooter, Technical
- Firearms Night Shoot
- Domestic Violence Update
- SWAT Qualification
- SWAT Mock Call Out
- SWAT Team Movements

Ticket Statistics for 2013



Juvenile Contact Cards

Type of Contact	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Arson	6					
Assault	9	14	10	17	8	1
Clinging to a Vehicle						2
Credit Card/ATM Fraud	1					
Criminal Mischief	23	8	14	8	3	5
Criminal Trespass	8		2			
Criminal Trespass 2nd Degree	2	1	1	2		
Discharge Weapon within City Limits	1		2	2		
Disorderly Conduct	2	2		1		
Disturbing the Peace	2	1				
False Reporting	3	1	1			
Intimidation by phone call	2					
Littering			1		1	
No Skateboard Helmet	1					
Possession of Stolen Property			1			
Possession/Discharge Fireworks			1			
Runaway	32	25	30	20	21	13
Shoplifting	3	2	5	2	2	2
Theft	3	6	4	2	5	3
Theft by Unlawful Taking	9	4	8	3		2
Threatens in Menacing Manner	8	6	12	4	1	1
Tobacco Use by Minor	2	1	7	1	1	
Unlawful Operation of an ATV				1		
Totals	117	71	99	63	42	29

Parking Warnings and Citations

Description	Warnings	Citations
24 Hour Parking	63	26
Alley Parking Prohibited	3	3
Improper Parking		1
Left Side Parking	9	5
Parking - 2 hr	30	12
Parking 2 am to 6 am	5	
Parking in Restricted Area	13	11
Prohibited Parking	4	1
Red Zone Violation	18	11
Snow Emergency Parking		11
Tow In Zone Parking	50	15
Unregistered Vehicle Parked on Street	9	43
Totals	204	139

Animal Warnings, ER's and Citations

Description	Warnings	ER	Citations
Animal Neglect	2		
Animal Waste			1
Dog and Cats must be licensed	1	2	
Dog at Large	4		8
Limitation of Number of Cats & Dogs			1
Location of Bee Hive	1		
Noise/Animal, Fowl	1		1
Nuisance Dogs	1		3
Rabies Tag	1		
Reckless Animal Owner			1
Totals	11	2	15

City Ordinance Warnings and Citations

Type	Warnings	Citations
Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor		10
Disturbing the Peace/Stereo	4	6
False Reporting		2
Illegally Connecting to Electricity		1
Littering		1
Shoplifting		51
Soliciting without a Permit		1
Unnecessary Noise		1
Totals	4	73

Traffic Warnings, Equipment Repairs and Citations

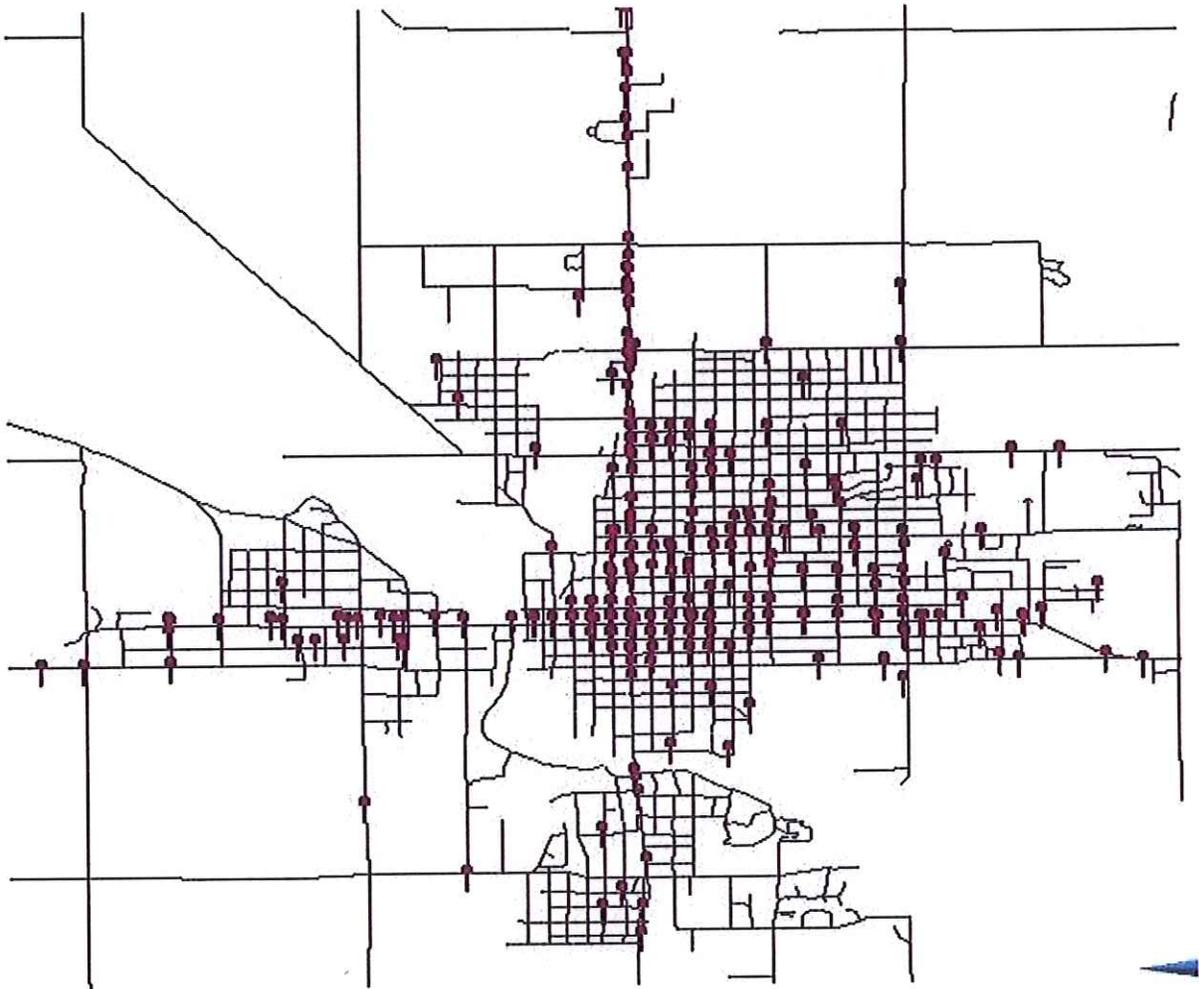
Description	Warnings	ER's	Citations
Address Change	4	3	
Careless Driving			7
Driving Left of Center	6		2
Driving on a Sidewalk	1		
Driving too fast for Conditions	1		
Driving Under Suspension			49
DUS Due to ALR/Fail to Comply			23
Duty to Carry License Permit	10		5
Engine Braking			1
Exhibition of Acceleration			2
Expired Plates		1	
Failure to Use Seatbelt	2		1
Failure to yield ROW to vehicle or Yield Sign	4		12
Fictitious Plates			1
Follow too Close	1		2
Impeding Traffic	1		
Improper Lane Change	1		1
Improper Turn	2		5
Leaving Scene of Accident			9
Lights required on Vehicle	10	191	9
Motor Vehicle Restraint – Children	4		1
Mufflers		3	
Negligent Driving			23
No Headlight	2		2
No Helmet			1
No License Plates or manner of display	1	19	
No Mud Flaps		1	
No Valid Operator's License		1	2
No Valid Registration			16
One Way Violation	7		2
Operators must be licensed	1	1	28
Passing Violation	1		
Proof of Financial Responsibility			68
Proof of Ownership		1	4
Reckless Driving			4
Registration Required	5	1	113
School Bus Violation			1
Screeching Tires	1		1
Speeding	82		52
Stop Sign Violation	21		40
Tint		2	
Traffic Signal Violation	13		14
Turn Signal Required	10		
Totals	191	224	501

Accident Tallies for 2013

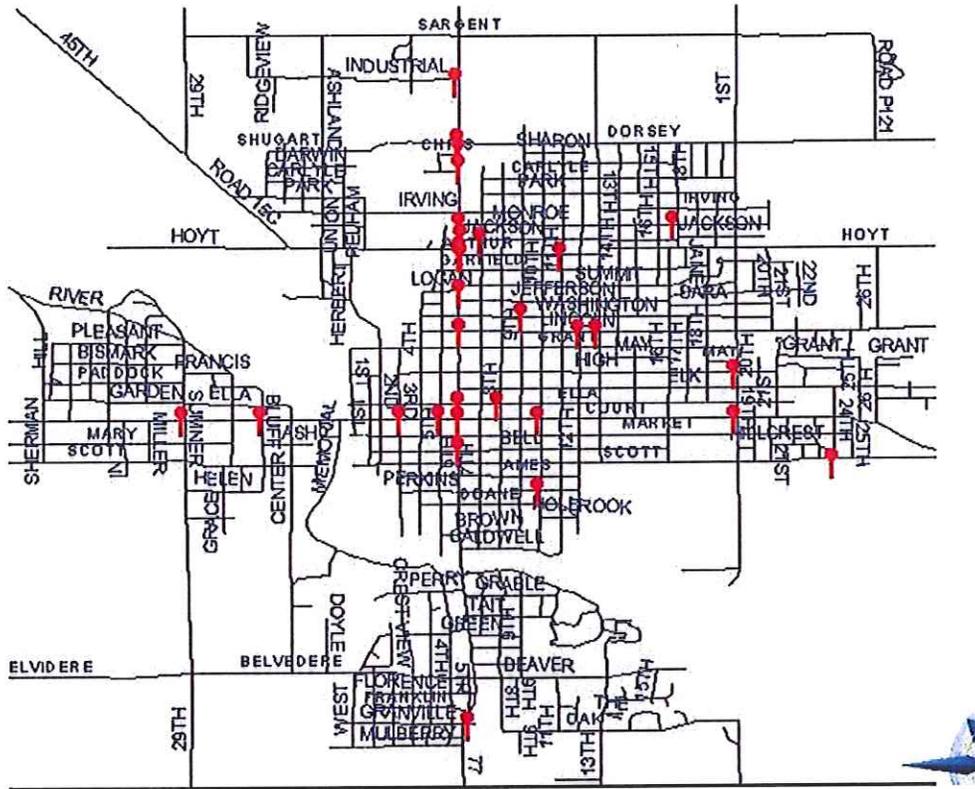
Types of Accidents

Property Damage	439
Injury	43
Fatality	2
Total	484

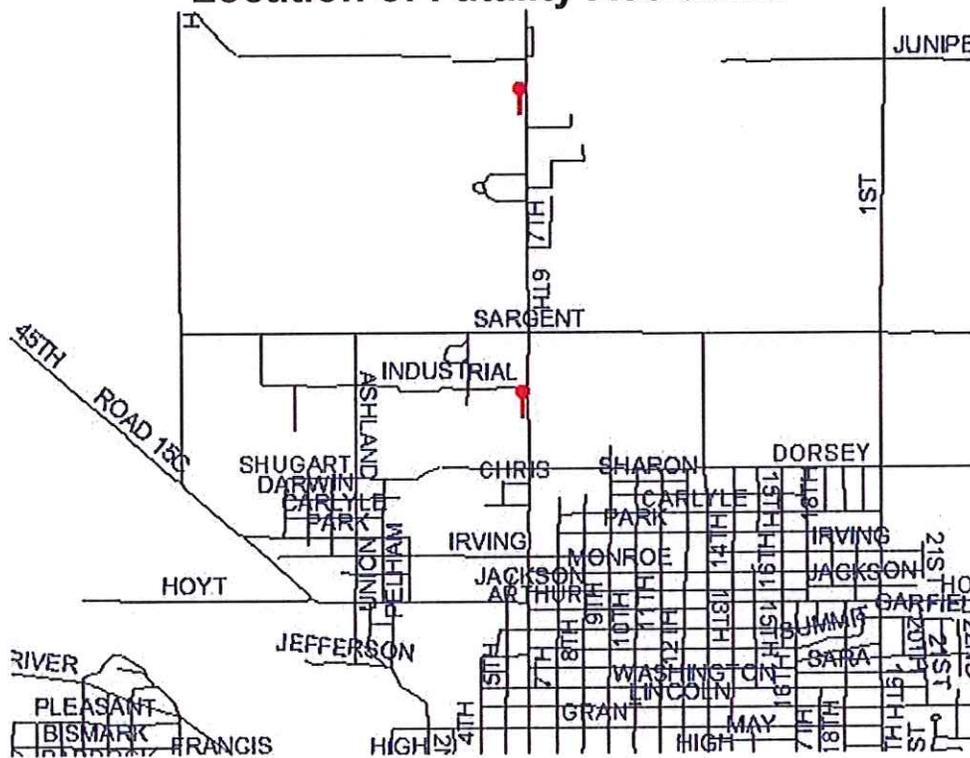
Locations of Accidents for 2013



Locations of Injury Accidents for 2013

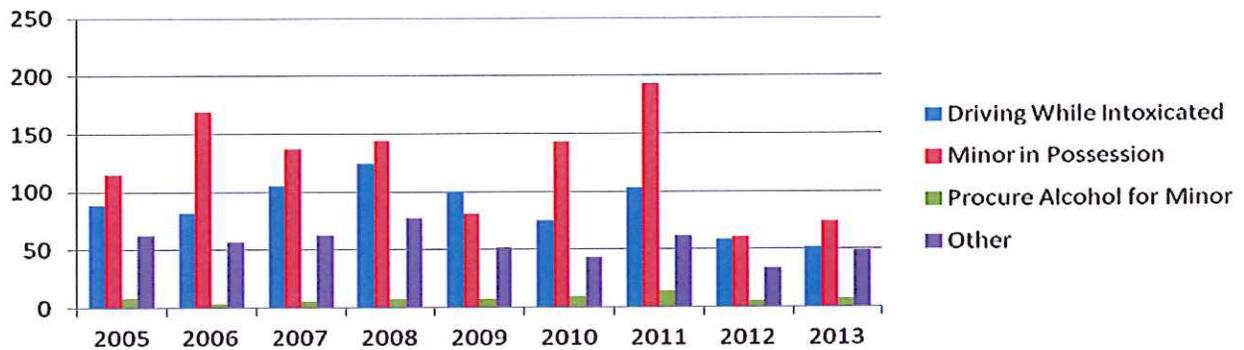


Location of Fatality Accidents



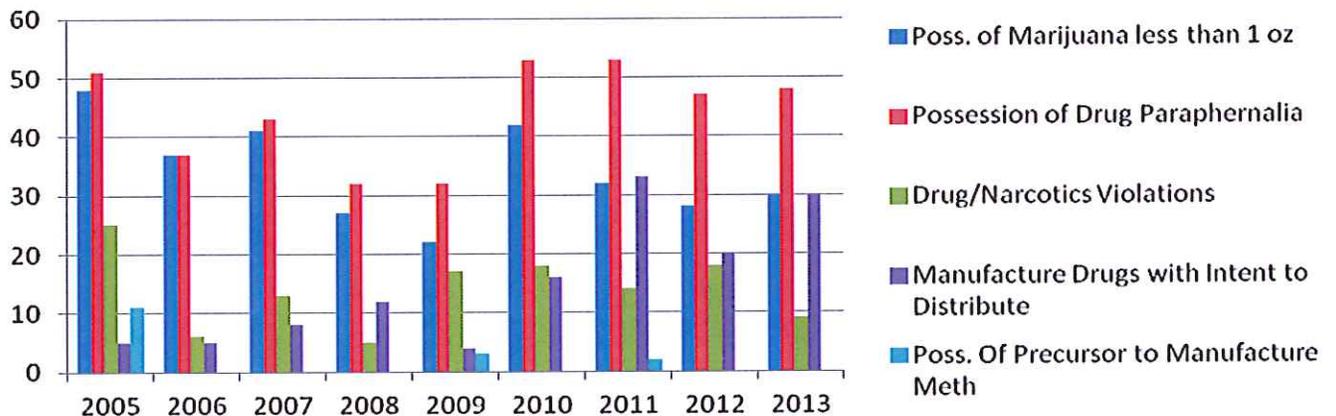
Alcohol Related Arrests

Type of Arrest	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Driving While Intoxicated	89	82	105	124	100	75	103	59	52
Minor in Possession	115	169	137	144	81	143	193	61	74
Procure Alcohol for Minor	8	4	5	7	7	9	14	5	7
Other	63	57	63	77	52	43	62	34	49
Total	275	312	310	352	240	270	372	159	182



Drug Related Arrests

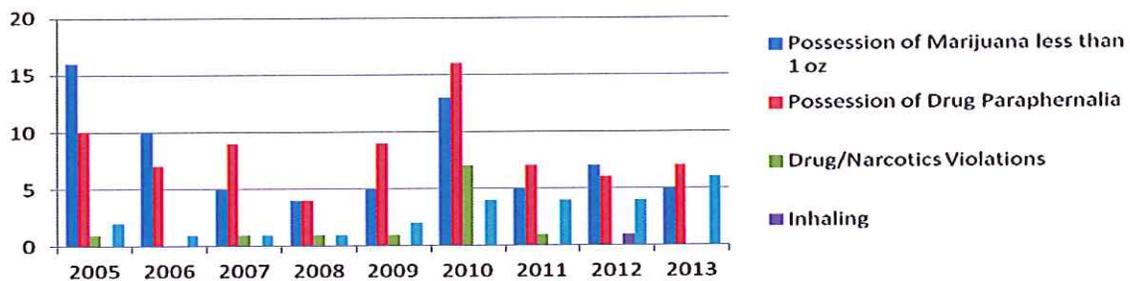
Type of Arrest	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Poss. of Marijuana less than 1 oz	48	37	41	27	22	42	32	28	30
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	51	37	43	32	32	53	53	47	48
Drug/Narcotics Violations	25	6	13	5	17	18	14	18	9
Manufacture Drugs with Intent to Distribute	5	5	8	12	4	16	33	20	30
Poss. Of Precursor to Manufacture Meth	11	0	0	0	3	0	2	0	0
Totals	140	85	105	76	78	129	134	113	117



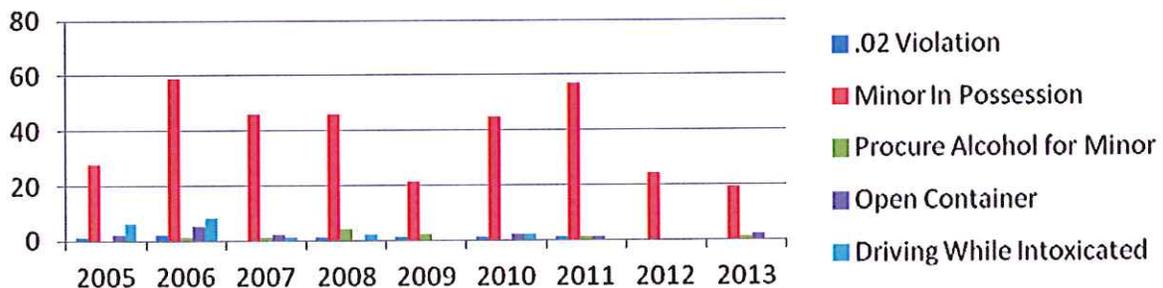
Juvenile Alcohol and Drug Related Arrests

Type of Arrest	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Possession of Marijuana less than 1 oz	16	10	5	4	5	13	5	7	5
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	10	7	9	4	9	16	7	6	7
Drug/Narcotics Violations	1	0	1	1	1	7	1	0	0
Inhaling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Manufacture Drugs/ Intent to Distribute	2	1	1	1	2	4	4	4	6
.02 Violation	1	2	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
Minor In Possession	28	59	46	46	21	45	57	24	19
Procure Alcohol for Minor	0	1	1	4	2	0	1	0	1
Open Container	2	5	2	0	0	2	1	0	2
Driving While Intoxicated	6	8	1	2	0	2	0	0	0
Total	66	92	65	63	41	90	77	42	40

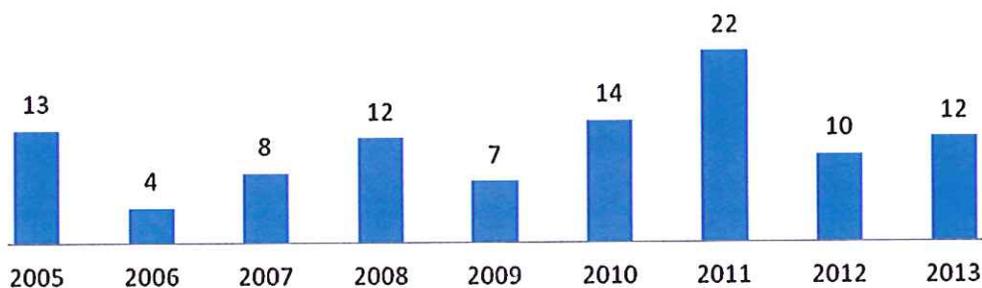
Juvenile Drug Arrests



Juvenile Alcohol Arrests



Truancy Citations (Compulsory Education Violations)



Major Crime Report 2013

The Major Crime Report consists of the following crimes: Homicide, Sexual Assault, Robbery, Assault, Burglary, Larceny/Theft and Motor Vehicle Theft.

Looking at the statistics from 2013 we had a total of 565 reported major crimes which is a decrease of 88 total crimes. Unfortunately the biggest increase was in Sexual Assaults with an increase of 15. On a good note there was a substantial decrease in Thefts with 86 less reported in 2013. That's the lowest total since 2005. Once again I can say we did not have a Homicide in 2013.

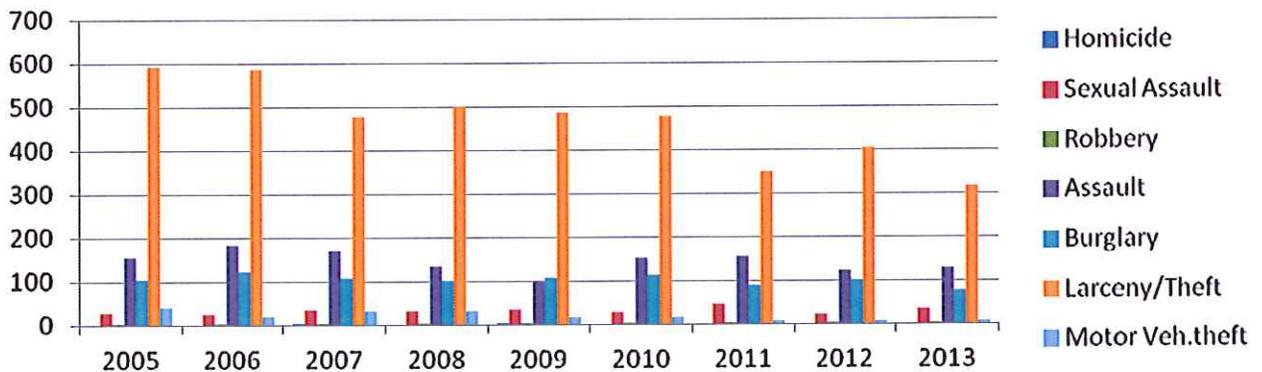
We did experience a first in 2013, when the Pinnacle Bank at 6th and Lincoln was robbed. Fortunately with the help of an alert citizen the suspect was taken into custody within minutes.

Lt. Mike Oliver

Major Crimes Reported in Beatrice

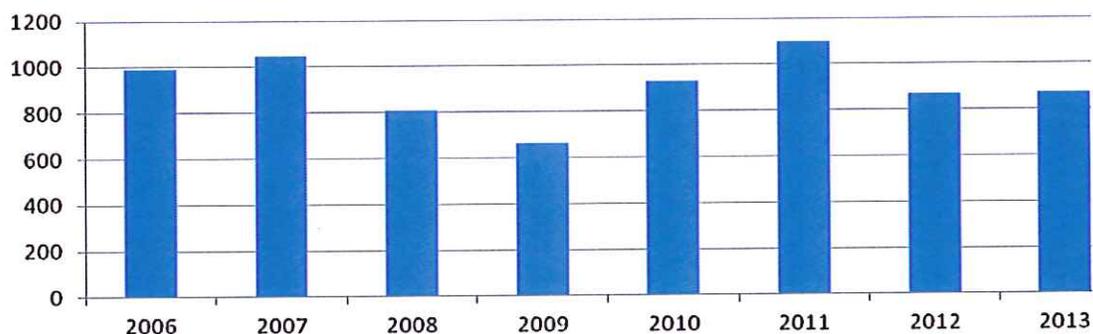
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Homicide	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	27	25	34	31	33	28	47	20	35
Robbery	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	2	2
Assault	154	183	171	135*	101	153	156	122	129
Burglary	102	122	106	101	107	112	87	101	77
Larceny/Theft	591	584	477	499	486	477	348	402	316
Motor Veh.Theft	39	17	29	30	15	14	7	6	6
	915	932	820	798	745	785	646	653	565

* Assaults were incorrectly reported as 207 in 2008 – correct number is 135



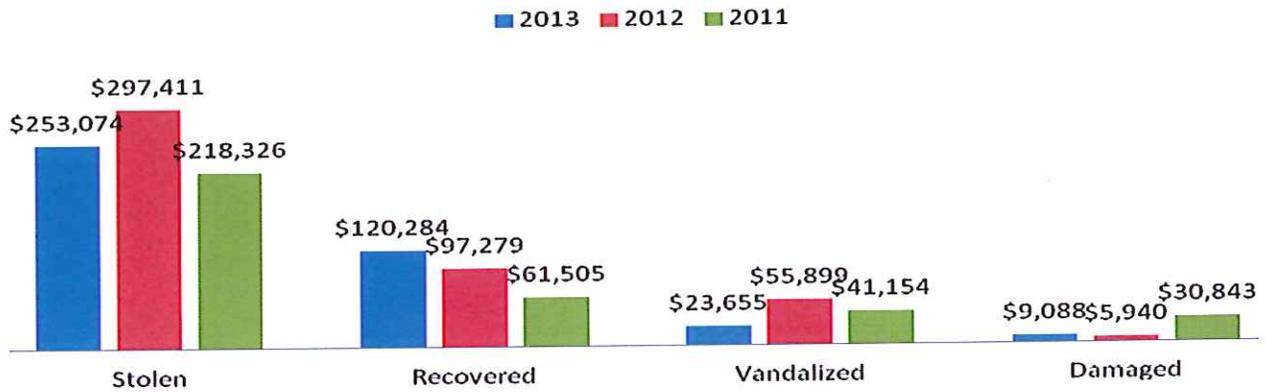
Arrest Charges

Type of Charges	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Assault 1 st /2 nd /3 rd	50	58	35	24	62	71	32	23
Assault on an Officer	2	7	2	3	2	3	2	2
Strangulation	2	3	2	3	6	9	6	7
Domestic Assault	51	32	38	26	47	48	35	41
Protection Order Violations	23	11	7	6	11	13	4	9
Sexual Assaults 1st/ 2nd/ 3rd and child	12	5	4	5	6	5	3	8
Drug Violations	85	105	76	80	129	137	113	117
Burglary	9	11	15	18	15	11	1	14
Theft	48	55	57	52	28	39	58	32
Robbery	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Criminal Mischief	66	72	36	34	96	53	31	22
Child Abuse/Neglect	27	22	13	13	20	23	20	28
Weapons Violations	7	17	12	11	26	24	12	14
Disorderly Conduct	20	12	12	19	23	29	14	20
Minor In Possession	169	137	144	81	143	193	61	74
Procuring	12	5	7	7	9	14	5	7
DWI	82	105	124	100	75	103	59	52
Refusal to Submit	14	24	29	22	14	21	12	18
Open Container & other Alcohol offenses	35	44	77	30	29	62	22	31
Runaway	37	49	28	29	47	17	19	11
Terroristic Threats/ Threats	10	15	11	2	18	35	9	24
Forgery 1st Degree	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resisting Arrest	6	6	7	4	4	6	5	3
Flight to Avoid Arrest	2	2	5	0	5	4	6	2
Other Offenses	238	262	79	114	135	179	342	316
Total Arrests	988	1048	808	662	928	1099	871	875

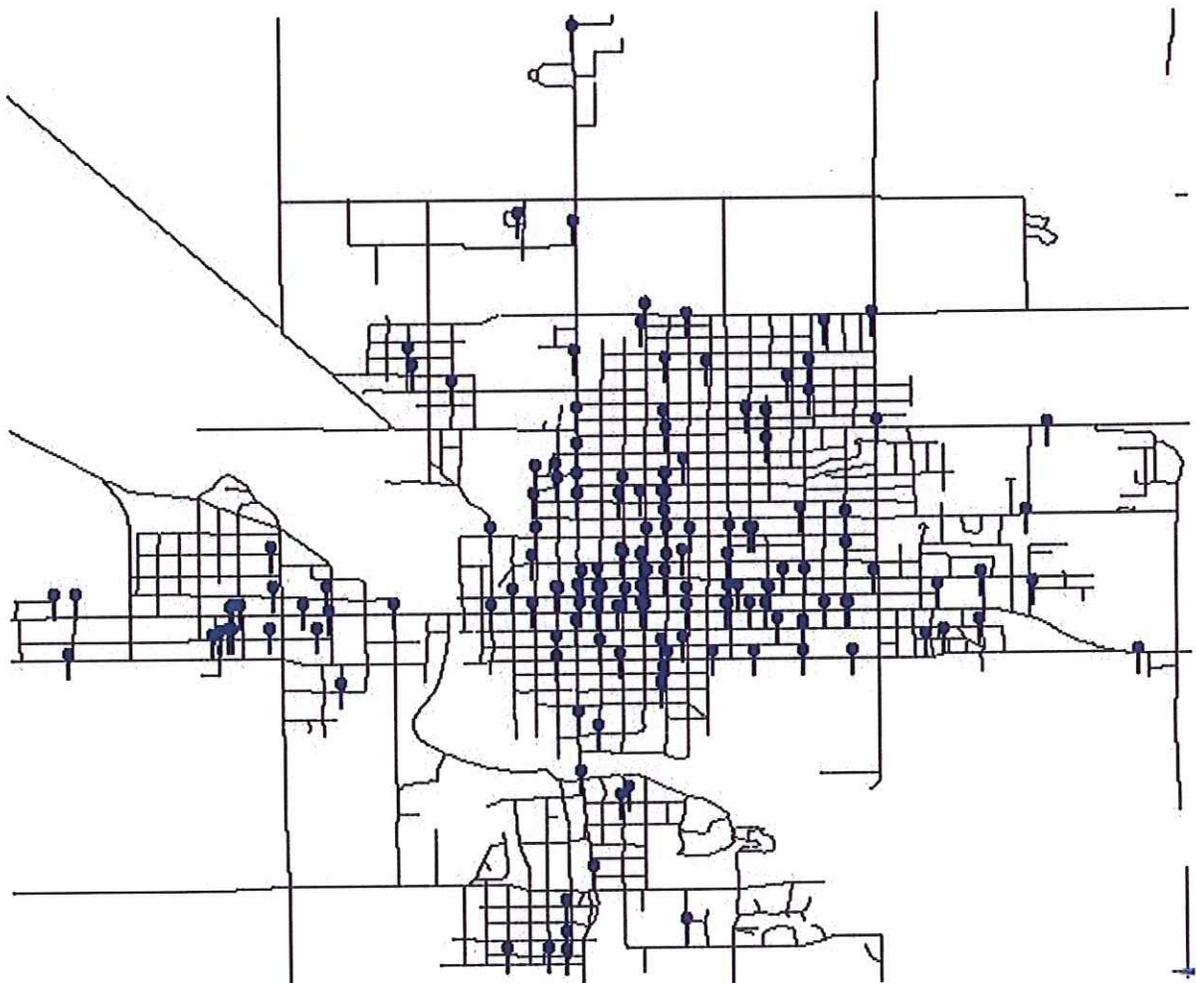


Property Crime Stats

Dollar Amount for Property Crimes



Vandalism Locations For 2013





Lieutenant Mike Oliver
1991



Investigator Erin Byrne
1997



Officer Jennifer Klaus
1994

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Criminal Investigations Report 2013

The Criminal Investigations Unit is responsible for the investigation of cases involving a special subject matter and cases that are more complicated and often of a more time consuming nature. The Criminal Investigations Unit is assigned a case when the nature of the crime involves serious criminal activity, such as suspected homicides, suicides, felony thefts, forgeries, felonious assaults, fraud, or when the criminal activity appears to be part of a pattern.

The Criminal Investigations Unit is commanded by Mike Oliver, Investigative Lieutenant. The investigations unit is staffed with one investigator and one juvenile services officer. The investigator is Officer Erin Byrne, who is entering his fourth year in this position.

During 2013, the Investigations Unit was busy with a variety of cases, including burglaries, thefts, suicides, sexual assaults, fraud, and forgery cases. In addition, the Investigations Unit was busy with working on identifying suspects in various new and older crimes using DNA technology and testing. The Investigations Unit also assisted the road patrol officers in investigating numerous thefts from vehicles and assisting in calls which required a significant investment in time and resources. In addition to these investigations, the Investigations Unit continues to stay vigilant with regard to Internet Crimes against Children. These cases involve possession of child pornography, online enticement of a child, and any other cyber crime involving a child. During 2013, several investigations were performed by the Investigations Unit installing covert surveillance cameras in Beatrice businesses at their request in order to eliminate internal theft issues.

In addition to criminal investigations, the Criminal Investigations Unit conducts background investigations for department personnel, backgrounds for handgun permit applications, and background investigations for liquor license applications within the City of Beatrice. The Criminal Investigations Unit is also assigned to the state-mandated, county-wide, Child Abuse/Neglect Investigative and Treatment Teams. Officer Jennifer Klaus, Juvenile Services Officer, is also assigned to the Investigations Unit and is instrumental in coordinating with the many various agencies on child abuse/neglect cases. This would include working with all of the Beatrice Public Schools, the School Resource Officer, the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Child Advocacy Center in investigating cases of possible child abuse or neglect occurring within the City of Beatrice. In 2013, the Juvenile Services Officer investigated over 175 reported child abuse/child neglect cases in Beatrice, NE.

The Investigations Unit also serves as liaison officers to Crimestoppers of Gage County. This assignment requires the investigators to attend meetings of the Crimestoppers Board. The investigators are also responsible for the maintenance of the statistical reports, writing of the year-end report, and recommending rewards to confidential callers.

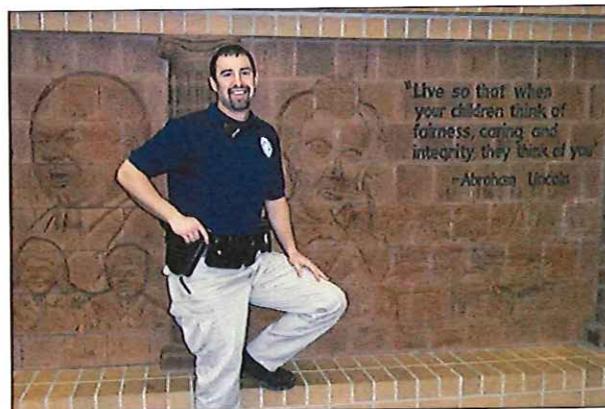
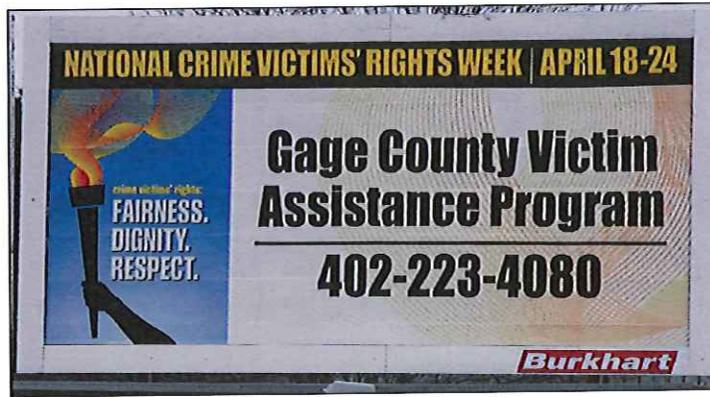
Crime Scene Team 2013

The Crime Scene Team was activated 5 times 2013. Complete breakdowns of the calls listed below.

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| February 19 | The team was called to a residence to investigate a death. Investigation revealed this death was from natural causes. |
| July 4 | The team was called to the Gage County Detention Center to investigate a death. Investigation revealed this death was a suicide. |
| August 7 | The team was called to a corn field just outside Beatrice to assist the Gage County Sheriff's Office investigate a death. Investigation revealed this death was a suicide. |
| October 8 | The team was called to a residence to investigate a death. Investigation revealed that this death was from natural causes. |
| December 16 | The team was called to a fire at a residence to investigate a death. Investigation revealed that this death was from the fire. |

The Crime Scene Team is made up of both sworn and non-sworn members of the department and has 8 members. The team is led by Lt. Mike Oliver. The following are team members.

Investigator Erin Byrne – Trace Evidence Collection
Officer Kris Gill – Crime Scene Technician
Officer Robert Soldo – Crime Scene Technician
Officer Cheryl Honea – Crime Scene Technician
Officer Colleen Soldo Crime Scene Sketching/Measurements
Officer Dan Moss – Evidence Packaging
Kerri McGrury - Photography



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Beatrice SWAT

The Beatrice S.W.A.T. (Special Weapons and Tactics) Team is a unit formed in the mid 1980's to respond to high-risk incidents. The unit is made up of Beatrice Police Department personnel and Beatrice Fire and Rescue personnel. The S.W.A.T. Team is tasked with resolving hostage situations, barricaded subjects, the service of high-risk search and arrest warrants, or any incident requiring high-risk police tactics.

The S.W.A.T. conducted training monthly in the following areas;

Weapon Retention & Active Countermeasures	Low Light Searches
Dynamic Entry Drills	Firearms – Live Fire Shoot
Slow Deliberate Searches	Vehicle Assaults
3 Gun Challenge	Search Exercise with Simunitions
Firearms Training	Containment, Open Air Assaults

Team Member Information

Team Commander: Sergeant Jay Murphy

Team Leaders: Sergeant Wesley Henning & Sergeant Brian Carver

Team Members

Officer Robert Mierau	Officer Anthony Chisano	Officer Colleen Morabito
Officer Joe McCormick	Officer Robert Soldo	Officer Zachary Lauenstein
Officer Shane Maloley	Officer Daniel Moss	Officer Thomas Oelschlager
Paramedic Jim Young	Captain Craig Fisher	Paramedic Jeremy Seggerman

Negotiations Team Commander: Captain Jerry Lamkin

Negotiations Team Leader: Officer Zac Lauenstein

Negotiations Team Members: Officer Erin Byrne & Officer Colleen Morabito

The SWAT team was activated 4 times last year.

January 17th, the team was activated in the assistance of S.E.A.D.E.'s investigation into drug dealing in the city. This activation resulted in multiple arrests that day.

September 17th, the team was activated on a "mock" call out. The team commander and leaders were aware of the exercise where a suspect was barricaded in a home with a hostage. Other team members were not aware of the call being an exercise. The team commander and leaders were able to evaluate the team's performance in a real life situation.

November 3rd, the team was deployed to search for a suspect in a felony assault that occurred just days prior. This deployment resulted in the arrest of the suspect.

December 20th, the team was activated to help served a search warrant, looking for a suspect with a short shotgun. The suspect was ultimately located and arrested along with others.

Gage County Victim Assistance Program

- The Victim Assistance Program has been in existence since 1995. It is supported by VOCA federal grant funds, in-kind and cash match by the City of Beatrice and Gage County. The daily operation of duties of the director include but are not limited to direct contact either face to face or phone contact with victims, assistance with protection orders, criminal justice advocacy, follow up contact, etc. The director is also responsible for grant writing and keeping track of all statistics for VOCA funding.
- The Victim Assistance Program utilized one intern and one volunteer during 2013.
- The Gage County Victim Assistance program was awarded a \$5,000 grant to promote National Crime Victims' Rights Week in April 2013. The campaign consisted of billboards, distribution of promotional items to partnering agencies, and a social media campaign.
- This program provides services to all victims of crime in Gage County. Some of the services provided are listed below:

Crisis Intervention

Personal Advocacy

Compensation Assistance

Jail Release Information

VINE Information/Registration

Parole Information

Victim Impact Statements

Transportation

Property Release

Protection Order Assistance

Restitution Information/Assistance

Criminal Justice Advocacy

911 Cellular Phones

- I am a Board Member of the Nebraska Coalition for Victims of Crime which meets bi-monthly.
- I serve on the Community Justice Committee of Gage County MAPS.

Victim Assistance Program Statistics 2013

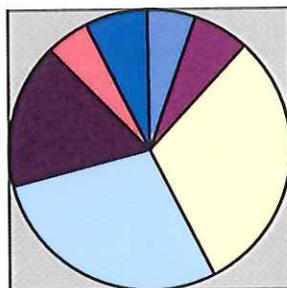
TYPE OF SERVICE	NUMBER OF TIMES PROVIDED
Crisis Counseling	68
Personal Advocacy	1,431
Information/Referral (In Person)	103
Information/Referral (Phone Contact)	200
Emergency Financial Assistance	2
Follow Up Contact	1,302
Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy	748
Compensation Assistance	12
Transportation	4
Protection order Assistance	151
Cellular Phone Program	0
Total Number of Services Provided	4,021
Total Number of Victims Served	841

TYPE OF CRIME	# OF VICTIMS SERVED	TYPE OF CRIME	# OF VICTIMS SERVED
Homicide	2	Sexual Assault (Adult)	7
Child Abuse/Physical	39	Domestic Violence	197
Child Abuse/Sexual	55	Incest Survivor	4
DWI/DUI	5	Assault	46
Robbery	16	Elder Abuse	1
Burglary	41	Business	0
Arson	0	Other *	164

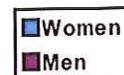
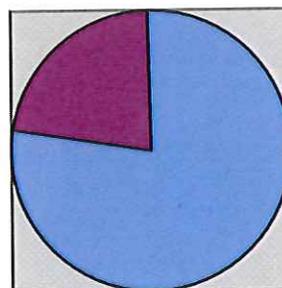
*Includes criminal mischief, theft, identity theft, etc.

DEMOGRAPICS

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K9

In March 2010 the Beatrice Police Department was able to restart the K-9, Police Service Dog division of its department with the generous donations from the public. Officer Soldo and PSD Soter attended a three month long training academy at the Nebraska State Patrol Police Service Dog camp. Officer Soldo and PSD Soter successfully completed the Police Service Dog training and were certified a Police Service Dog Team by the Nebraska State Patrol in May 2010.

PSD Soter is trained in the areas of tracking, evidence recovery, drug searches, handler protection and suspect apprehension. PSD Soter is trained to detect four different odors of drugs including marijuana, methamphetamine, cocaine and heroin.

Officer Soldo and PSD Soter are currently assigned to the overnight shift working from 6pm to 6am, and have responded to a variety of calls including open doors, suspect tracking, evidence recovery, building searches, drug searches and area searches for suspects.

Since being assigned to the street patrol in May of 2010, Officer Soldo and PSD Soter have assisted the Nebraska State Patrol, Gage County Sheriff's Office, Beatrice Police Dept., Marysville Police Dept. KS, Marshal County Sheriff's Office KS, Omaha Police Dept., Lincoln Police Dept., Johnson County Sheriff's Office, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, Fairbury Police Dept. and Saline County Sheriff's Office with drug searches, tracking of suspects, and area searches for suspects. Officer Soldo and PSD Soter have also completed numerous public presentations including patrol demonstrations, school presentations, and private Social Clubs. Officer Soldo and PSD Soter also completed several school sniffs at both Beatrice High School and Beatrice Middle School at the request of school officials.

Officer Soldo and PSD Soter are members of the Beatrice Police Department SWAT team and have been working with the team on current uses of PSD Soter with the team.

In 2013 Officer Soldo and PSD Soter have responded to approximately 50 calls for service requiring help of a Police Service Dog.

School Resource Officer Program (SRO)

The goal of the School Resource Officer (SRO) position is to bridge the gap between students, schools and police by becoming a liaison when problems arise. In addition, crime prevention and law enforcement both in and out of the schools are prime ingredients in making our schools a safer place to be. With students feeling safe at school it harbors a better learning environment for all who want to learn and teach.

I, Officer Zac Lauenstein began my third year as the SRO in the beginning of the 2013-2014 school years, and am the SRO for the Beatrice High School and the Beatrice Middle School. I celebrated my 11th year as a police officer with the Beatrice Police Department this year. As this is my third year working with the schools, the school staff and students have come to know me well and trust in my ability and willingness to work on issues. With my training through NASRO (National Association of School Resource Officers) we take a "triad" approach with the responsibilities being a Teacher, Informal Counselor, and Law Enforcement Officer. Over the past year there has been a large increase in counseling time with students, but as a preventative measure, or an intervention to assist them in de-escalating a situation.

With technology ever changing and new mobile applications being developed every day cyber bullying continues to be an issue at both the Beatrice Middle School and the Beatrice High School. Students are doing a pretty good job of keeping me and school officials advised of new trends as well as current bullying situations. The situations that can be addressed due to a school rule or law violation are dealt with strictly and swiftly; however many do not fit into either of those categories. I enjoy working closely with the staff and students at both the high school and middle school to help solve, reduce and prevent problems involving students and/or staff.

The most common crimes reported at BHS and BMS are Truancy and Thefts, with Truancy being the biggest number of them. Truancy is not age specific and affects both BHS and BMS, along with the SKILLS program, and Compass Learning Community, (alternative high school). There is a clear correlation between truancy and low proficiency scores, graduation rate, and lower life time earnings. Efforts are being taken to continue to foster the relationship between truant students and the schools.

Crimes such as theft, drug and alcohol violations are declining at the Beatrice High School. Students report that they feel that their property is more secure than before and ideas have been forwarded to administrators to further prevent thefts. The solvability rate for a theft case in the high school is high and some children are having second thoughts before committing this act. The drug and alcohol arrests are down due to both enforcement and treatment procedures as students report that they do not feel drugs are a problem at Beatrice High School.

The SRO program continues in its fifteenth year to be a great benefit to the Beatrice Public School District as well as the Beatrice Police Department. It is my goal to continue to be a great resource for all students and staff at the Beatrice High School and the Beatrice Middle School and continue to further develop the program to its full potential.

Police Speaker Service

The Beatrice Police Department organized a Police Speaker's program in 2008 as part of our Community awareness effort. The focus of the program is to help educate the public about various law enforcement related topics. The topics include personal safety, crime prevention and criminal activities, and range from 20 to 60 minutes in length. Sworn personnel along with the Victim Assistance Coordinator prepare the presentations based on their area of expertise.

The program continues to be well received as demonstrated by the number of requests for speakers throughout the year. An estimated 440 people attended the 14 speaker presentations given to various church groups, service clubs, businesses and other community groups and classes requesting the service. The most requested topics were, Scams and Frauds, Social Media, and informing people about the Police Department and Officer Duties. Numerous Groups continue to tour the Beatrice Police Department including Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops. Officers were also requested to speak to a class at Southern Public Schools and continue to assist with Juvenile Diversion.

Officers participated in several other educational opportunities within the community. Safety Day at Beatrice High School which is an all school convocation on Texting and Driving. Officers have also expanded onto the Southeast Community College campus, giving two talks to students.

Officers in the Department met the public in hosting National Night Out activities in Charles Park where they were able to show the public equipment and give the citizens a chance to meet the Officers of our Department and collected food for the Community Food Pantry. Officers assisted with a Bike Rodeo at Wal-Mart and participated in two back to school events attended by the Public in August. The Police Departments Color Guard participated in the Relay for Life by bringing in the colors for this community event for the third straight year.



Community Policing

The Beatrice Police Department is actively committed to community policing. It has developed collaborative partnerships with other governmental agencies, community members, nonprofits and service providers, private business, and the media. This is a philosophy that promotes strategies using partnerships and problem solving techniques to proactively address immediate conditions that give rise to public safety. Below are some of the many ways the Beatrice Police Department is involved in Community Policing.

Members of the department continue to present informational and educational programs to the community upon request. There are a wide range of topics that can be presented on including personal safety to bicycle safety.

Chief Lang writes a weekly column, "Ask the Chief", in the Beatrice Daily Sun. His column has generated large numbers of phone calls and questions regarding the subject matter written in the articles. He has numbers of people approach him in public commenting on how they enjoy reading the column and find it educational. The column has been a great piece to our community policing plan. It is evident that the column is making a difference in our community.

Community partnerships are an important component to Community Policing. Members of the department participate on a number of community committees. To name a few, the "Safe Community" committee which is focusing on suicide prevention and is connected with the Beatrice Chamber of Commerce, the Community Justice Committee which is a taskforce of the MAPS community coalition, and the Crime Stoppers Committee.

The Beatrice Police Department's utilizes their Facebook page to list crime reports and invite citizens to participate in making reports. We post current articles from our local newspaper in order to connect with our community.

Officers and staff of the department help with the planning and organizing of the annual event. The Beatrice FOP donates their resources to the National Night Out event that is held each year so we can have treats and activities for families in attendance. This year was our six year to host the National Night Out event. It was hosted at Charles Park in 2013. There were a number of family oriented activities and safety information available.

An activity held in conjunction with the MAPS coalition is the alcohol compliance checks. The MAPS coalition provides grant funds to the Beatrice Police Department which pays for overtime wages for officers while conducting the alcohol compliance checks. These checks are done at retail stores selling or serving alcoholic beverages.

The Beatrice Police Department also has one Responsible Beverage (RBS) Trainer. This program is a community based approach to reducing risks associated with retail alcohol environments. RBS has three essential elements: Alcohol policy for the

alcoholic beverage licensed establishment; Server education and oversight; and Partnerships with law enforcement, local agencies and community groups.

The department has two officers who are certified to check and install child restraints or car seats. Upon request, anyone can have their child restraint checked, to make sure that it has been properly installed in a vehicle and it is not expired. In 2013, we assisted with a Child Restraint Safety Check with the Beatrice Community Hospital.

A brochure has been developed which contains helpful information and answers regarding city ordinances or frequently asked questions.