



Ronald L. Wiles, Jr.
Chief of Police



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I am pleased to present the Grand Blanc Township Police Department 2021 Annual Report. 2021 was a challenging year for everyone. During the year we saw the negative impacts of COVID-19, we saw a renewed push for social justice and police reform after the death of George Floyd, and we saw a political environment which deeply divided our community and our country. Throughout the year the Grand Blanc Township Police

Department used those challenges to create opportunities for growth and better understanding as we remained committed to our mission, values, and goals. The Grand Blanc Township Police Department is a special organization and I could not be more proud of the men and women of our department. They continue to provide a superior level of service with the utmost professionalism and commitment to our community.

This report will provide a summary of our officers' performance, department services, and community partnerships that have helped make us successful over the past year. None of our accomplishments would have been possible without the outstanding effort of our forty (40) sworn officers, seven (7) full-time civilian employees, and our seven (6) part-time radio operators/dispatch staff. I am very appreciative of the overwhelming support from the Grand Blanc community and our elected officials. I would like to thank our Township Superintendent, Dennis Liimatta, our Township Board of Trustees, and our Township Attorneys', David Lattie and Bill Delzer for your continued support and assistance.

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department is a leader in providing professional policing services to the community. Our focus on using innovative policing strategies and developing strong community partnerships has resulted in a reduction in crimes against persons and crimes against property. We firmly believe in keeping the community engaged and maintaining the trust of those we serve. During a year when many police agencies struggled to maintain the trust and the support of their communities the Grand Blanc Township Police Department continued to flourish.⁴

I can't express enough how thankful I am for the outpouring of support and confidence from our community. Their kindness, support, and outreach has not gone unnoticed and is just one of the reasons that make Grand Blanc Township such an amazing community.

In addition to our strong community policing philosophy, we also understand and stress the importance of traffic safety. The safety of the motoring public is a priority for our department. We focus our traffic safety efforts into three areas; enforcement, education, and officer training. This year in Grand Blanc Township we saw a 21% decrease of total crashes on our roadways.

I am not only proud of what we accomplished over the past year but I am proud of how we accomplished it. In a year full of ongoing challenges and uncertainty our staff responded with the professionalism that our community expects and deserves and

The impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic can be seen across the country and has caused everyone to change how they go about their daily lives. Throughout this past year we've seen face to face learning in our schools stop, we've seen some of our favorite local businesses close, and we've seen our residents follow safety measures all in an effort to protect families and reduce the potential spread of the virus. Like everyone else, the Grand Blanc Township Police Department has also had to implement new safety protocols.

From the onset of the pandemic the Grand Blanc Township Police Department has been proactive in helping to ensure our officers and our community remains safe. The initial unknown dangers and Executive Orders from the pandemic forced us to change how we police and interact with the public. We were leaders in the law enforcement community in implementing COVID -19 protocols for our staff. As frontline workers law enforcement was at an increased risk of exposure as compared to some other professions. Maintaining the safety of our staff was very important. If our staff fell ill, we would not be able to serve our community. Schedule changes, the use of PPE, minimizing face to face contact, the closing of our lobby, and having a robust exposure plan were just some of the measures that we put in place.



Every measure we took was intended to enhance the safety of our staff and the community members we serve. It wasn't easy, in fact it was quite a challenge at times. We are a community oriented department that focuses on community engagement and service. During the pandemic we were unable to hold several events that have been crucial for building

and maintaining community understanding and involvement. National Night Out, Camp Safety, Citizens Police Academy, Coffee with a Cop, and the countless community presentations that we did are just some of the events that we had to postpone or cancel. Our staff worked hard to put new and safe events together in an effort to stay engaged with our residents. Virtual Story time for kids, Birthday Drive-By, countless virtual meetings and an increased Social Media presence helped us bridge the gap during the pandemic.

I'm proud of our entire staff for the way they have responded during this crisis. Day in and day out they were dedicated to providing a superior level of service to our residents. As the Chief of Police (and a resident) I'm also proud of this community. While our "normal" changed, our willingness to help each other has not. We've seen truly remarkable acts of caring and kindness throughout the township. It's just one of the things that makes the Grand Blanc community the special place that it is.

Throughout the crisis I know everyone was wanting to get back to their normal routines but until that time comes, we will continue to do everything possible to enhance the safety our staff and community.

WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER and by continuing to work together we will become a stronger and safer community.



MISSION STATEMENT



The Grand Blanc Township Police Department is dedicated to providing a superior level of service through partnering with the community, upholding the highest ethical standards, while striving to provide a safe environment, enhancing the quality of life through innovative and progressive law enforcement administered with justice and fairness.



INTEGRITY is a value positioned in the center of the five-point star, which represents incorruptible adherence to the other core values. Integrity does not stand-alone, it is supported by the other key values; Fairness, Respect, Honesty, Courage and Compassion. These basic values require constant self-discipline. They are the foundation for law enforcement in a democratic society, which holds accountable those whom it entrusts to enforce its laws.



FAIRNESS is a value characterized by freedom from prejudice or favoritism. Fairness is the essential attribute of impartiality and is a cornerstone of the relationship between the citizenry and those sworn to protect and to serve them. Law enforcement officers must treat all witnesses, victims, and suspects fairly without reference to personal feelings, beliefs, or interests. Fairness requires respect for cultural and ethnic diversity.



RESPECT is a value that denotes national pride and a high regard for all citizens, the Constitution, power, and authority of office. Law Enforcement officers must show respect for all others through temperance, fairness, and civility in the execution of their duties and conduct of their personal lives.



HONESTY is a value that is an anchor for integrity. Honesty means being trustworthy and sincere in accordance with the experience and facts. Lying, cheating, stealing, or the appearance of impropriety is unacceptable to the profession of law enforcement.

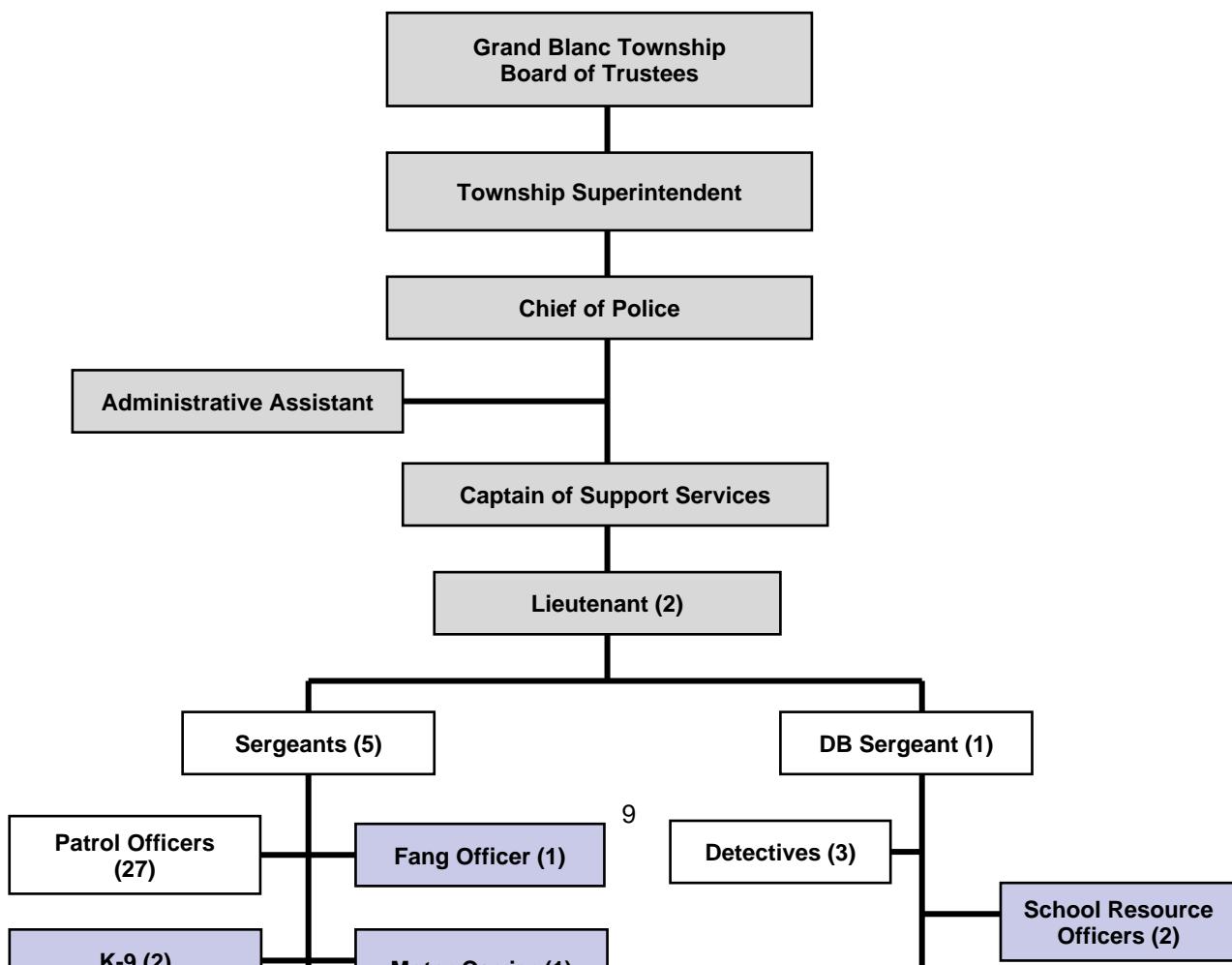


COURAGE is a value that law enforcement officers must possess to preserve life and property. Courage is control under adversity or fear and the ability to do what is right. Courage is the value that prompts law enforcement officers to take control, and if necessary, risk their lives to defend and protect human life.



COMPASSION is a value that is inherent to understanding and/or having sympathy for victims or another's suffering. Compassion is the ability to restore order to others' lives while controlling and understanding personal feelings, which influence individual actions. Humility is a necessary attribute of compassion.

Grand Blanc Township Police Department Organizational Chart 2021



Command and Administration

Chief Ronald L. Wiles Jr.
Captain Matthew Bauserman
Lieutenant Matthew Simpson
Lieutenant Bill Renye
Cheri Potter

Officer Nate Willette
Officer Chris Jones
Officer Ben Cole
Officer Devin Seeley
Officer Cody Gelinski
Officer Austin Wright
Officer Destiny Methner
Officer Jack Pyle

Sergeants
Sergeant Aaron Quinn
Sergeant Scott Theede
Sergeant Tom McCoy
Sergeant Josh Belanger
Sergeant Todd Gilbert
Sergeant Jonathan Swartz

Officer Doug McLeod
Officer Nick Jones
Officer Mark Mahon
Officer Anita Toma

Detectives

Detective Matthew Harburn
Detective Jason Whittey
Detective Molly Monroe

Radio Operator/Clerk
Tamberly Cronkright
Laura Newman
Susan Norman
Mary Nurmi
Kim Rowland

Sworn Officers by Seniority

Officer Kyle Herkner
Officer Paul Connelly
Officer Dan Wolschleger
Officer Darnell Jackson

Part-Time Radio Operator/Clerk
Jennifer Dann
Jacob Smith
Nicole Gustafson
Alyssa Pendley

Officer Jon Strom
Officer Jason Woppard
Officer Tom Whitt
Officer David Clark
Officer Amber Weber
Officer Bill Kilbourn
Officer Jason Carpentier
Officer Wes Evans
Officer Tim Bueche
Officer Matt Techentien
Officer Lindsay Witthuhn

Joe Neely

Evidence Technician

Lyam Reinhardt

2021 Year End Staffing Levels

40 Sworn Officers

7 Civilian – FT

5 Civilian – PT



Chief Ronald L. Wiles, Jr. began his career as a patrol officer with the Grand Blanc Township Police Department in July of 1996. During his twenty-five year career he has had the honor and privilege of holding the ranks of detective, sergeant, lieutenant, captain, and in 2016 he was named Chief of Police. Chief Wiles currently serves as the President of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police (MACP), President of the Genesee County Association of Chiefs of Police (GCACP), Commissioner on the Governors Traffic Safety Advisory Commission (GTSAC), Chairperson for Advocates and Leaders for Police and Community Trust (ALPACT), and Chairperson on the Voices for Children Advocacy Center Board. He has successfully completed the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command and Executive Management programs, and is a proud facilitator of the Leadership in Police Organizations program through the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP). He resides in Grand Blanc Township with his wife Dawn and two sons, Griffin and Noah.

Captain Matthew Bauserman began his career as a patrol officer with the Grand Blanc Township Police Department in July of 1995. He also has held the ranks of sergeant and lieutenant, and was promoted to Captain in December of 2012. He is a certified accident reconstructionist and a graduate of the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command. The Captain conducts all facets of operational and criminal investigations and assumes primary command of crime scenes and tactical operations authority. His work is performed under the general supervision of the Chief of Police.



Lieutenant Matthew Simpson began his career as a patrol officer with the Grand Blanc Township Police Department in July of 1997. Lt. Simpson has also held the rank of sergeant and was promoted to lieutenant in August of 2017. He serves as Chairman of the Board for the Autism Support & Resource Center and is a K-9 Master Trainer. He is a graduate of the Michigan State University School of Police Staff and Command. The Lieutenant ensures department members adhere to department standards, policies and goals. He inspires others in the agency to maximize their professional potential and assigns and directs the duties of personnel. His work is performed under the general supervision of the Captain.

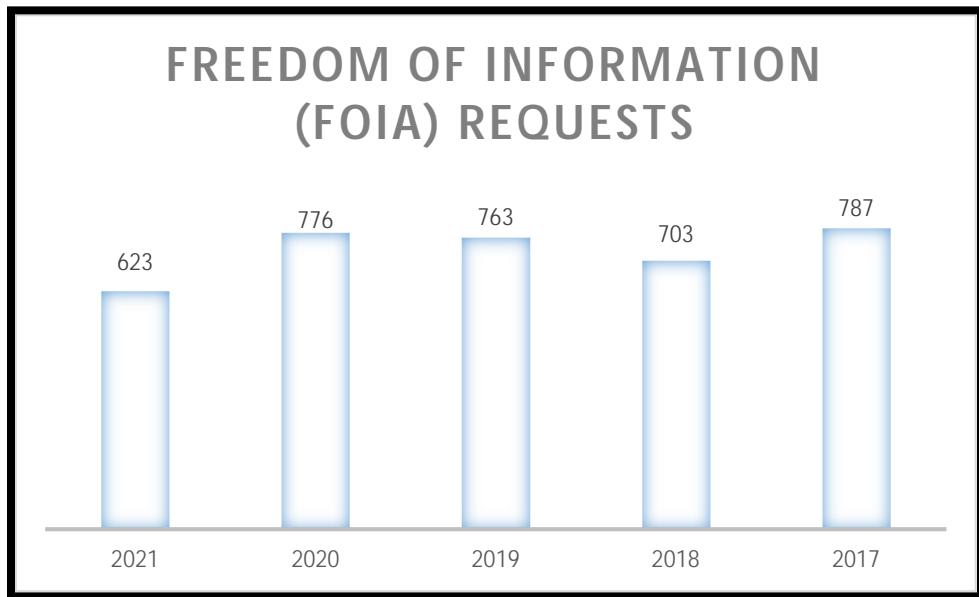




Lieutenant Bill Renye began his career as a patrol officer with the Grand Blanc Township Police Department in May of 2001. He has also held the rank of sergeant and was promoted to lieutenant in December of 2018. Lt. Renye was Officer of the Year in 2016. He is a Certified Drug Recognition Expert Instructor (D.R.E) and is a graduate of the Michigan State University School of Police Staff and Command. He also serves as the Accreditation Manager for the Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (MLEAC) for the department. The lieutenant ensures department members adhere to department standards, policies and goals. He inspires others in the agency to maximize their professional potential, and assigns and directs the duties of personnel. His work is performed under the general supervision of the Captain.

Cheri Potter began her career with the Grand Blanc Township as administrative assistant to the Chief of Police in February of 1999. She has held this position for the entirety of her employment. She provides support to the police department as a whole and serves as the Accreditation Manager for the Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (MLEAC) for the department. Additionally, she is the FOIA Coordinator for the department and a Michigan Notary for the citizens of the township. She also establishes and maintains filing systems for the records of the police department. The administrative assistant provides direct support to the Chief of Police, Captain and Lieutenants as needed. She provides full time technical support to the police department under the supervision of the Chief of Police.





Sergeant Todd Gilbert
21 Years of Service



Sergeant Scott Theede
19 Years of Service



Sergeant Aaron Quinn
19 Years of Service

PATROL DIVISION



Sergeant Jon Swartz
18 Years of Service



Sergeant Tom McCoy
16 Years of Service



Sergeant Josh Belanger
15 Years of Service



Officer Kyle Herkner
25 Years of Service



Officer Paul Connelly
25 Years of Service



Officer Dan Wolschleger
24 Years of Service



Officer Darnell Jackson
23 Years of Service



Officer Jon Strom
22 Years of Service



Officer Jason Woppard
22 Years of Service



Officer Tom Whitt
21 Years of Service



Officer Dave Clark
19 Years of Service



Officer Amber Weber
18 Years of Service



Officer Bill Kilbourn
18 Years of Service



Officer Jason Carpenter
18 Years of Service



Officer Wes Evans
17 Years of Service



Officer Tim Bueche
6 Years of Service



Officer Matthew Techentien
15 Years of Service



Officer Lindsay Witthuhn
14 Years of Service



Officer Nate Willette
Officer Ben Cole
14 Years of Service
Years of Service



Officer Chris Jones
6 Years of Service
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Officer Devin Seeley
3 Years of Service



Officer Cody Gelinski
2 Years of Service



Officer Austin Wright
2 Years of Service

MICHIGAN LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCREDITATION COMMISSION (M.L.E.A.C.)



Officer Destiny Methner
1 Year of Service



Officer Jack Pyle
1 Year of Service



Officer Doug McLane
1 Year of Service



Officer Nick Jones
1 Year of Service



Officer Mark Mahon
1 Year of Service

The Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission (M.L.E.A.C.) program enhances the professionalism of police organizations across the state. Accreditation is a progressive and time proven way of assisting law enforcement agencies to calculate and improve their overall performance. The foundation of Accreditation lies in the voluntary adoption and compliance with 108 “best practice” policing standards containing a clear statement of professional objectives.

In 2018 a team of trained M.L.E.A.C. assessors verified that the department successfully implemented the applicable standards and that we were in compliance with those standards. Every

three (3) years M.L.E.A.C. assessors will revisit the department to ensure that we remain in compliance.

Accreditation represents a significant professional achievement. It is an honor that many law enforcement agencies have not achieved. There are approximately 580 law enforcement agencies across the state. To date, forty-two agencies have earned this recognition. Our department accomplished what 93% of other agencies have not. The Grand Blanc Township Police Department was the first municipal agency in Genesee County to earn this status and the nineteenth agency in the State of Michigan.

While accreditation is truly a team effort and embraced by the department the accreditation process is led and facilitated by Accreditation Managers Lt. Bill Renye and Cheri Potter.



The Grand Blanc Township Police Department is a fully functional organization dedicated to providing a superior level of service to our community twenty-four hours a day. The patrol division is the backbone of the agency and is comprised of our uniformed personnel. The patrol division is the most visible division and the division that has the most contact with the public.

The patrol division of the Police Department is commanded by a Captain, two (2) Lieutenants, and five (5) Sergeants. The uniformed staff are responsible for responding to all emergency and non-emergency calls for service. Their primary functions include: developing strong community¹⁹ partnerships, detecting and

preventing crime, increasing traffic safety, conducting initial crime scene investigations, and enforcing local, state, and federal laws.

Within the patrol division you will find several specialized units that assist us in achieving our mission and goals, including;

- K-9 Team
- Motorcycle Unit
- Motor Carrier Unit
- Crash Investigation and Reconstruction Team (C.I.R.T)
- Drug Recognition Unit
- Field Training Unit
- Bicycle Unit



Patrol Statistics
2017-2021

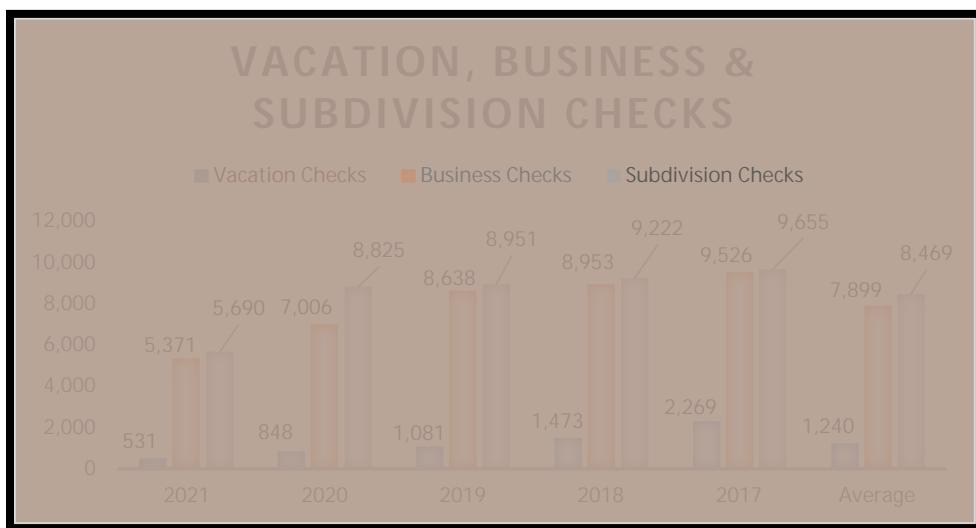
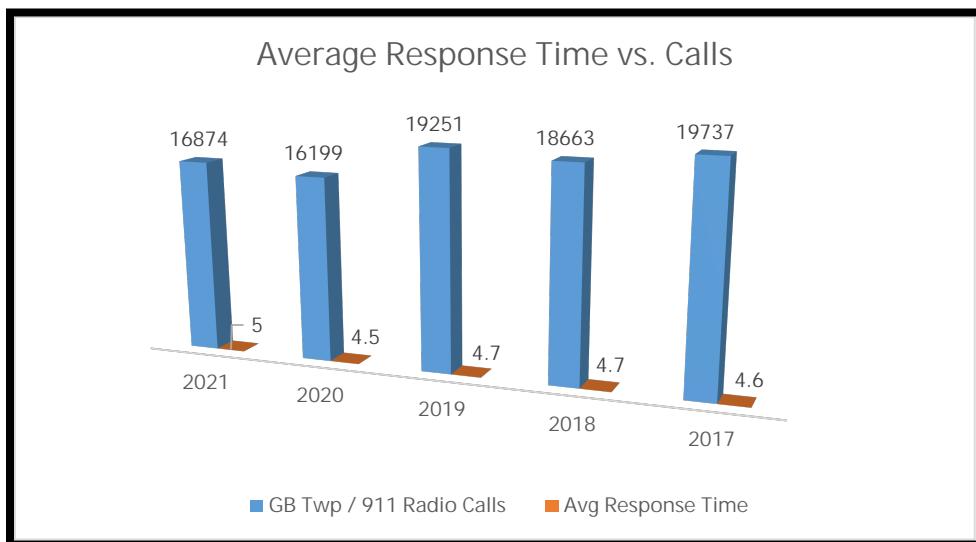
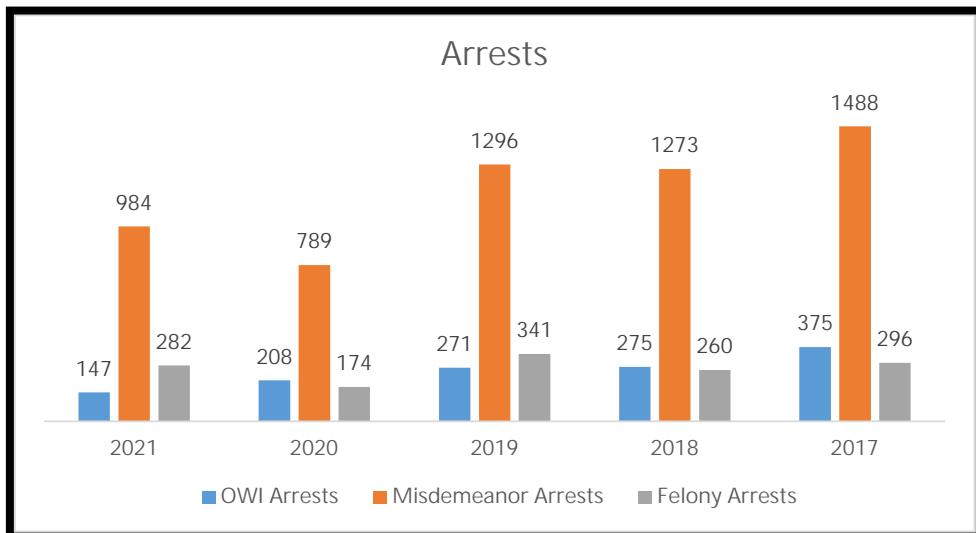
	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Patrol Miles	841,363	244,765	296,528	296,903	302,786
Radio Calls	11,106	10,911	13,665	13,109	13,578
Radio Calls - Back Up	5,772	5,288	5,585	5,554	6,258
GB Township Radio Calls	5,814	5,317	6,336	6,232	7,110
Central Dispatch 911 Radio Calls	11,060	10,882	12,915	12,431	12,627
Avg. Response Time (Minutes)	5	4.5	4.7	4.7	4.6
Traffic Contacts	3,487	2,727	8,276	7,782	8,002
Traffic Warnings	2,895	2,153	6,985	6,497	6,675
Traffic Citations	592	662	1,368	1,664	1,739
OWI Arrests	147	208	271	357	375
Misdemeanor Arrests	984	789	1,296	1,273	1,488
Felony Arrests	282	174	341	260	296
Reports	3,999	3,304	4,371	4,345	4,660
Vacation Checks	531	848	1,081	1,473	2,269
Business Checks	5,371	7,006	8,638	8,953	9,526
Subdivision Checks	5,690	8,825	8,951	9,222	9,655

Grand Blanc Township Police Department
 Crime Reporting 2017 - 2021
 Reporting by Number of Offenses

Crimes Against Person		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Murder / Non negligent Manslaughter (Voluntary)	9001	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Homicide / Manslaughter (Involuntary)	9002	1	0	0	1	0
Negligent Homicide Vehicle / Boat	9003	0	1	3	0	0
Kidnapping / Abduction	10001	0	1	1	0	2
Parental Kidnapping	10002	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Penetration Penis / Vagina CSC 1st	11001	6	5	9	10	8
Sexual Penetration Penis / Vagina CSC 3rd	11002	2	1	2	1	1
Sexual Penetration Oral / Anal CSC 1st	11003	2	0	4	2	1
Sexual Penetration Oral / Anal CSC 3rd	11004	0	1	0	0	0
Sexual Penetration Object CSC 1st	11005	0	0	0	3	1
Sexual Penetration Object CSC 3rd	11006	0	0	1	0	0
Sexual Contact Forcible CSC 2nd	11007	2	2	6	4	6
Sexual Contact Forcible CSC 4th	11008	5	1	16	1	11
Non Aggravated Assault	13001	216	187	198	174	192
Aggravated / Felonious Assault	13002	49	39	32	27	37
Intimidation / Stalking	13003	62	35	59	63	75
Sexual Penetration Non Forceable Blood / Affinity	36001	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Penetration Non Forceable Other	36002	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offense Other	36004	0	2	2	3	5
Human Trafficking Comm Sex Acts	64001	0	0	0	0	0
Human Trafficking Invol Servitude	64002	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Total for Crimes Against Persons</i>		<i>345</i>	<i>275</i>	<i>333</i>	<i>289</i>	<i>339</i>

Grand Blanc Township Police Department
 Crime Reporting 2017 - 2021
 Reporting by Number of Offenses

Crimes Against Property		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Robbery	12000	1	5	3	2	10
Arson	20000	2	2	1	2	1
Extortion	21000	1	2	1	3	0
Burglary Forced Entry	22001	31	45	45	48	51
Burglary Entry Without Force (Intent)	22002	7	3	10	7	18
Burglary Entry Without Auth.w/or w/out Force	22003	5	3	6	8	14
Larceny - Pick Pocketing	23001	0	0	0	1	0
Larceny - Purse Snatching	23002	1	0	1	0	0
Larceny - Theft from Building	23003	21	16	39	33	24
Larceny - Theft from Coin Operated Machine/Device	23004	0	0	1	0	2
Larceny - Theft from Motor Vehicle	23005	49	29	52	78	78
Larceny - Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	23006	59	19	14	12	20
Larceny Other	23007	68	58	66	63	109
Motor Vehicle Theft	24001	57	31	27	34	27
Motor Vehicle as Stolen Property	24002	2	2	2	1	4
Motor Vehicle Fraud	24003	0	1	0	1	0
Forgery / Counterfeiting	25000	10	6	11	17	12
Fraud False Pretense / Swindle / Confidence Game	26001	68	48	70	62	68
Fraud / Credit Card / ATM	26002	21	12	29	37	38
Fraud Impersonation	26003	1	0	1	42	67
Fraud Welfare	26004	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud Wire	26005	3	1	2	2	1
Fraud Bad Checks	26006	8	2	12	15	5
Fraud Identity Theft	26007	35	43	38	22	0
Embezzlement	27000	7	6	5	7	14
Stolen Property	28000	1	1	6	7	5
Damage to Property	29000	90	90	71	66	105
Retail Fraud Misrepresentation	30001	20	16	41	34	11
Retail Fraud Theft	30002	143	185	145	179	179
Retail Fraud Refund / Exchange	30003	4	1	2	2	1
Retail Fraud Organized Crime	30004	14	6	6	2	0
Bribery	51000	0	0	0	0	1
<i>Total For Crimes Against Property</i>		729	633	707	787	865



The Grand Blanc Township Police Department had 27 reported use of force incidents in 2021 compared to 25 reports in 2020. Each incident was thoroughly reviewed and found that in every incident the officer(s) responded with the appropriate level of force. In 2021 Grand Blanc Township had a total of 1515 (1,217 in 2020) recorded arrests, and forcible arrests accounted for less than 2% of those total encounters. In 2020, forcible arrests were also only 2% of the total arrests while passive resistance was documented in one incident, every other subject took their level of resistance above that to at least Active Resistance.

The taser was deployed successfully two times in 2021. Both of the incidents were active resistance types of force used by the suspect, and both of the subjects (100%) were impaired by drugs or alcohol. Compared to 2020 where 33% of the three taser deployments were under the influence of drugs/alcohol.

There were five suspect injuries in 2021 with the most serious being a bite to the calf from K-9 Blue. Three officers were injured in 2021 with the most serious being Sergeant Theede who was head-butted in the face and suffered a minor bloody nose. Officer Evans received two small cuts to his hand in one incident and in another incident he was punched in the face, which caused an abrasion to his temple area.

This year is different from previous years with officers encountering resistance from female suspects (55%) more than by male suspects (45%). 21 of 27 (78%) of the incidents involved a subject whose mental ability was affected in some way by drugs, alcohol, mental illness or a combination of those (2020 had a lower percentage of 60%).

At the time of this report there were 40 sworn officers and 30 of them were involved in a use of force incident as either the primary or assisting officer. With almost 17,450 official contacts (up a little from 15,500 in 2020 – both years were lower than previous years due to Covid-19) and many, many more unofficial contacts, 27 use of force incidents is an exceptionally small number. Much more often than not, officers deescalate an incident verbally or by their presence alone. The downside to such a small number of scenarios that require force is

complacency. Complacency is a dangerous state of mind when dealing with people, especially people who stand to benefit from deceiving law enforcement.

To combat complacency, as well as remain sharp physically and mentally, officers need to train. They need to train physically to overcome a possible resistive subject and they need to train mentally to handle situations quickly and efficiently. Sound officer safety skills can prevent, deescalate and end use of force incidents quickly thus decreasing the possibility of injury to the public, the subject, and the officer themselves.

While use of force incidents can never be considered minor or trivial, the levels of force used by suspects in 2021 remained relatively low and so did the level of force applied by officers. Through review of each incident, it is apparent officers use force quite sparingly and only as a necessary function of arrest and/or last resort. It is important that officers are not hesitant to use force when necessary. Roll call training as well as scenario based and dynamic training should be conducted whenever possible. During the course of training, case law and policy/ procedure governing arrest and use of force should be addressed.

Use of Force Statistics	
Types of Resistance	
Passive	4%
Active	63%
Aggressive	33%
Deadly Force	0%
Race	
Black	41%
White	59%
Unknown	0%
Sex	
Male	45%
Female	55%
Subject Injury	
No	81%
Yes	19%
Incident Type	
Disorderly	15%
Domestic	15%
Traffic	30%
Welfare Check	26%
Retail Fraud	0%
Other	14%
Mental Illness	
No	60%
Yes	40%
Shift	
First	34%
Second	26%
Third	40%
Alcohol / Drugs	
Alcohol	30%
Drugs	15%
Combination	7%
None	48%

2/3/2021	21852003378	Methnert	Evans	Active Resistance	Empty Hand	F	Black	Alcohol	No	No	Domestic
2/6/2021	2185200406	Strom	Jerome	Active Resistance	Soft Empty Hand	F	White	None	No	Yes	Domestic
2/7/2021	2185200414	Pyle	Weber	Active Resistance	Soft Empty Hand	F	Black	Alcohol	No	No	Disorderly
2/9/2021	2185200440	Techentien	Bueche	Passive Resistance	Soft Empty Hand	F	Black	Alcohol	No	No	Home Invasion
2/13/2021	2185200493	Willette	McCoy	Active Resistance	Physical Controls	M	White	Drugs	No	No	PDA
4/21/2021	2185201292	Jones	McCoy	Active Resistance	Soft Empty Hand	F	Black	None	No	Yes	Disorderly
4/23/2021	2185201326	Evans	Herkner	Active Resistance	Compliance Controls	F	Black	Drugs	No	Yes	Medical
4/24/2021	2185201327	Bueche	Herkner	Active Aggression	Physical Controls	M	White	Alcohol	No	No	Disorderly
4/24/2021	2185201331	Methnert	Carpentier	Active Resistance	Physical Controls	M	White	None	Yes	Yes	Welfare Ch.
5/1/2021	2185201400	Gilbert	Herkner	Active Resistance	Physical Controls	M	White	Alcohol	No	No	Traffic Stop
5/1/2021	2185201402	Strom	Carpentier	Active Aggression	Physical Controls	F	White	None	Yes	Yes	Welfare Ch.
5/9/2021	2185201482	Evans	Herkner	Active Resistance	Physical Controls	F	White	Combo	No	Yes	Suicidal
5/18/2021	2185201599	Cole		Active Resistance	Hard Empty Hand	M	White	None	Yes	No	Traffic Stop
5/23/2021	2185201682	Jones	Gelinski	Active Aggression	Soft Empty Hand	F	White	Drugs	No	Yes	Incapacitated
7/13/2021	2185202297	Mahon	Withuhn	Active Aggression	Soft Empty Hand	M	White	None	No	No	Police Assis.
7/29/2021	2185202563	Theede	McLeod	Active Aggression	Physical Controls	M	Black	None	Yes	No	Disorderly
9/2/2021	2185203041	McLeod	Strom	Active Aggression	Compliance Controls	F	Black	None	No	Yes	Domestic
10/11/2021	2185203583	Withuhn	Seeley	Active Aggression	Compliance Controls	F	White	None	Yes	Yes	Incapacitated
10/11/2021	2185203579	Kilbourn	Herkner	Active Resistance	Physical Controls	F	Black	None	No	No	Traffic Stop
10/23/2021	2185203737	Gelinski	Cole	Active Resistance	Hard Empty Hand	F	Black	None	No	No	PDA
11/1/2021	2185203855	Evans	Techentien	Active Resistance	Taser/Hard Empty	M	White	Drugs	Yes	Yes	Welfare Ch.
11/5/2021	2185203891	Herkner		Active Resistance	Physical Controls	M	White	Alcohol	No	No	Police Assis.
11/19/2021	2185204045	Belanger	Jones	Active Resistance	Soft Empty Hand	F	Black	None	No	No	Traffic Stop
11/26/2021	2185204139	Kilbourn	Belanger	Active Resistance	Physical Controls	M	White	None	No	Yes	Incapacitated
11/27/2021	2185204151	Cole	Gelinski	Active Aggression	Soft Empty Hand	M	White	Alcohol	No	No	Traffic Stop
12/29/2021	2185204556	Seeley	Toma	Active Aggression	Taser	M	Black	Combo	Yes	No	Domestic

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department Bike Team was implemented in 2020 and currently consists of one Sergeant. Sgt. Belanger completed his 32-hour school and certification through The Law Enforcement Bicycle Association (LEBA). Our department began utilizing bikes for normal patrols and special events in July 2020. Sgt. Belanger patrols parks, apartment complexes, subdivisions, shopping centers and special events. We also hope to host community rides and bike rodeos for children. Bikes are another tool to help us serve the Grand Blanc Township community.

The bikes are used for normal patrols, two days for the Ally Challenge Golf Tournament at Warwick Hills and one day for the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics at Bicentennial Park.

From July, 2020 through 2021, the Bicycle Unit has logged the following stats:

- 290 Miles
- 371 Public Relation Citizen Contacts
- 16 Calls for Service
- 61 Subdivision Checks
- 3 Traffic Stops



In 2021, the Grand Blanc Township Police Department K-9 Unit consisted of two teams: Officer Connelly and K-9 Izzy and Officer Cole and K-9 Blue. The K-9 Unit is led by Lt. Matthew Simpson, a nationally certified master trainer and evaluator.

K-9 Izzy and K-9 Blue are both Belgian Malinois and are dual trained in narcotics and patrol activities. In addition to consistent bi-weekly training, the K-9's are certified with the National Association of Professional Canine Handlers (N.A.P.C.H). This National Certification ensures that our K-9 officers and dogs are properly trained and efficient in obedience, searches and apprehension.

Both of our K-9's are consistently called on to not only increase public safety, but to also help build relationships with those who live in Grand Blanc Township by participating in events especially designed to bring law enforcement and the community closer together.



Officer Paul Connelly
K-9 "Izzy"



Officer Ben Cole
K-9 "Blue"



MOTORCYCLE UNIT



Monthly Summary	Total	Average
Deployments	81	7.3
Outside Agencies	15	1.3
Vehicle Searches	43	3.6
Building Searches (Drugs)	0	0
Building Searches (Person)	4	0.3
Tracks	11	0.9
Area Searches	4	0.3
Public Relations	5	0.6
Article Searches	5	0.6
Other	4	0.3
Contraband Finds	1	0.1
Misdemeanor Arrests	1	0.1
Felony Arrests	6	0.5
Bites	2	0.2



to the unit. Officer Jon Strom received his training from the Northwestern University Police Motorcycle Program.

The unit is a valuable tool for public relations, special events and increasing our traffic safety initiatives, including motorcycle safety. Officer Jon Strom has received multiple awards and recognitions for his riding abilities at various events and training competitions.



Officer Jon Strom



2021 Bikes on Bricks Competition

- 1st Place Fairing and Skills Division
- 2nd Place Challenge Course
- 3rd Place Partner Ride
- 3rd Place Last Man Standing

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department has one federally and state certified motor carrier officer. Currently he is the only certified Motor Carrier Officer in Genesee County other than the Michigan State Police.

He is periodically called upon to assist the Michigan State Police and other agencies with commercial vehicle inspection and enforcement. He has the authority to enforce all applicable state and federal laws. He can also take vehicles out of service if they are determined to be unsafe to operate on the roadways due to lack of proper maintenance or licensed operators. In addition to his normal enforcement responsibilities he also inspects commercial vehicles that are involved in fatal traffic accidents.

This year alone, Officer Clark conducted approximately 42 motor carrier inspections resulting in 25 trucks being taken out of service for safety violations.



Officer David Clark



DRUG RECOGNITION EXPERT (D.R.E)



The Grand Blanc Township Police Department has three certified D.R.E.'s, Officer Wes Evans, LT. Bill Renye and Officer Tom Whitt (photographs are in order as listed). We are currently one of the three original police agencies in the state to have more than one D.R.E. on staff. A Drug Recognition Expert (D.R.E.) is a police officer trained to recognize impairment in drivers under the influence of drugs other than, or in addition to, alcohol. A D.R.E. is skilled in detecting and identifying persons under the influence of drugs and in identifying the category(s) or drugs causing the impairment. A D.R.E. has successfully completed all phases of the Drug Evaluation and Classification Program's (D.E.C.P.) training requirements for certification as established by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (I.A.C.P.) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.). Our D.R.E.'s continuously patrol our streets working to make our roadways and community safer.

A D.R.E. conducts a detailed diagnostic examination of persons arrested or suspected of drug-impaired driving or similar offenses. Based on the results of the drug evaluation, the D.R.E. forms an expert opinion on the following:

1. Is the person impaired? If so, is the person able to operate a vehicle safely? If the D.R.E. concludes that the person is impaired...
 - a. Is the impairment due to an injury, illness or other medical complication, or is it drug related? If the impairment is due to drugs...
 - i. Which category or combination of categories of drugs is the most likely source of impairment?



The D.R.E. evaluates and assesses the person's appearance and behavior. The D.R.E. also carefully measures and records vital signs and makes precise observations of the person's automatic responses and reactions. The D.R.E. also administers carefully designed psychophysical tests to evaluate the person's judgement, information processing ability, coordination and various other characteristics. The D.R.E. will systematically consider everything about the person that could indicate the influence of drugs.



CRASH TEAM INVESTIGATION RECONSTRUCTION (C.I.R.T.)



Members of the team are certified reconstructionists through Michigan State University, AI-1 thru AI-13 Accident Investigation series. The sergeant is the supervisor in charge of the team. Team members have received hundreds of hours of specialized training and two have been certified as expert witnesses in the 67th District and 7th Circuit Courts. The team also includes one officer from the Grand Blanc City Police Department and one officer from the Metro Police Authority of Genesee County. The C.I.R.T. Team also assisted Burton City Police and Fenton City Police to investigate serious injury crashes this year.

INVESTIGATIONS – SUPPORT SERVICES

All serious injury or



fatal accidents in Grand Blanc Township, Grand Blanc City, Mundy Township or Swartz Creek are handled by the C.I.R.T Team. C.I.R.T team members are also able to reconstruct crime scenes. Additionally, if a violent crime occurs, and the scene needs to be documented, the team would be activated to take measurements and complete a scale diagram.

The Investigations – Support Services Division of the Grand Blanc Township Police Department is staffed by one Captain, one Sergeant and three Detectives. It consists of all investigative and many support elements of the Department - they investigate all crimes (adult and juvenile).



Captain Matthew Bauserman

2021 SIGNIFICANT CASES



Sergeant Todd Gilbert



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etective Matthew Harburn



Detective Jason Whitley



Detective Molly Monroe

23 Years of Service

22 Years of Service

16 Years of Service

Person With A Gun / Warrant Arres

Officers were dispatched to a “person with a gun” call at a local apartment complex. The caller lived at the apartment and said a male was visiting and refused to leave. He had been walking around with a handgun and another female had locked herself in the bathroom. The caller gave officers permission to enter her apartment. When the officers entered the apartment, they saw a meth pipe sitting out openly. The officers ran the male suspect in LEIN, which showed that he had five felony warrants, including weapons, dangerous drugs and probation violations. He was taken into custody without incident and the handgun was located and secured as evidence. He was arrested and lodged at the Genesee County Jail. Detectives are following up the case at the Prosecutor’s office.

Police Assist / Home Invasion

Officers were requested to assist Argentine Township Police Department on a “home invasion” investigation. Overnight they had a home invasion where several firearms were taken, including handguns and a Tommy sub-machine gun with a loaded drum magazine. The main suspect was the home owner’s son, and he was tracked to an address in Grand Blanc Township through SnapChat. The suspect’s vehicle was located in the driveway. Contact was made with the adult homeowners and four suspects (two males and two females). They were all taken into custody without incident. Several of the stolen handguns were found inside the house and the long guns were found in the trunk of the suspect’s vehicle. The suspects were arrested and transported to the Argentine Township Police Department.

Threats / CCW / DWLR

Officers were dispatched to a “threats” complaint. The caller reported his daughter had left a voicemail saying she was going to kill him. The caller had adopted his two grandchildren and his daughter was having issues with that. The caller had reason to believe his daughter was coming to his house and she is known to carry a knife. Officers waited in the area and about an hour later the daughter arrived. LEIN showed her license was revoked. When asked about the contents of her vehicle she admitted to having a knife. A knife was located on the passenger’s side floor partially hidden under the floor mat. The fix blade knife had an 8-inch blade. She was arrested for driving on a revoked license and carrying a concealed weapon. She was lodged at the Genesee County Jail.

Officers were dispatched to a “hit and run” vehicle accident. A witness followed the suspect vehicle northbound on Fenton Rd. The vehicle was located at Fenton Rd. and Hill Rd. The vehicle finally stopped and officers conducted standard field sobriety tests (SFST) and arrested the driver. He refused a breath test and a search warrant was obtained. During the vehicle inventory, officers found a lock box in the trunk. It was unlocked and he discovered a large amount of drugs, some of which included; almost one half pound of psilocybin mushrooms, 1663 “hits” of suspected acid, 11.5 grams of suspected meth, 128 Xanax bars, among other items. Also seized was \$1000 and his car. The male was lodged at the Genesee County Jail.

[Home Invasion](#)

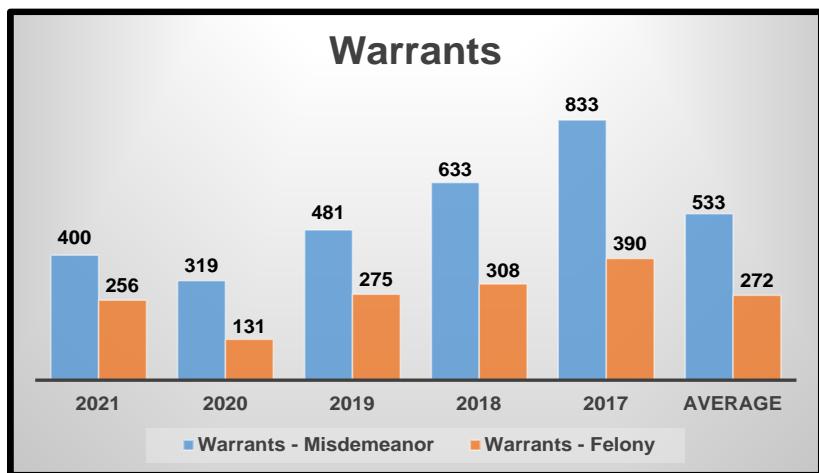
Officers responded to a residence for a “Home Invasion” that just occurred. The homeowner’s adult son tried to gain access to the home by kicking the front door, breaking a window and pushing in a window air conditioner. The individuals inside the home stated the suspect yelled he was going to kill them. The homeowner told the suspect that the police were on the way and the suspect fled in a vehicle. Officers located and stopped the vehicle a short distance away and arrested the driver/suspect for home invasion and driving with license suspended (DWLS). The suspect admitted to the crime under Miranda and was lodged at the Genesee County Jail.

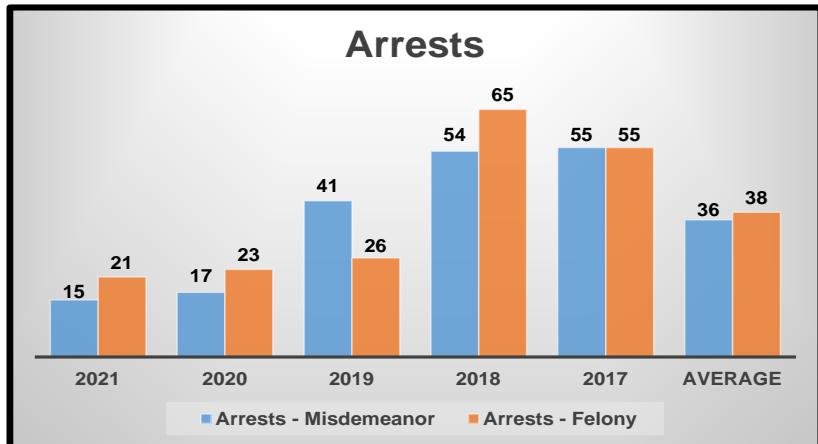
[OWI / Vehicle Chase / Stolen Vehicle](#)

An Officer observed an orange Dodge Challenger with an improper plate at Speedway gas station. The officer attempted to stop the vehicle which fled ³⁹

northbound on I-475 at a high rate of speed. The State Police helicopter was in the area and tracked the vehicle until it crashed on I-475 near Thread Lake. Both occupants fled on foot and were later apprehended after attempting to hide in an apartment building nearby. The vehicle was a confirmed stolen vehicle from Al Serra in December 2020. Detectives were called in for the investigation. Both subjects were arrested and were lodged at the Genesee County Jail.

Detective Bureau Statistics 2017 – 2021





2021 Detective Bureau Stats

Hours	5483	Misd. Arrests	15
Suspect Interviews	228	Felony Arrests	21
Victim Interviews	1075	Juvenile Petitions	33
Witness Interviews	468	Follow-Up	3062
County P/A Meetings	353	Subpoenas	360
Twp P/A Meetings	324	Report Supplements	933
Misd. Warrants	400	Complaints Assigned	790
Felony Warrants	256	Complaints Closed	816
		Court Hours	299.5



Lyam Reinhardt is the Property / Evidence Room Technician for the Grand Blanc Township Police Department. The primary function of the property / evidence room technician is the intake, storage and release or disposal of property civilian employee and is supervised by a sergeant. including: evidence, seized property, lost/recovered items and prisoner property. This technician also catalogs all incoming property and disposes of items from closed cases. She also, conducts ⁴¹ departmental audits relating to property and maintains chain of custody records. The property / evidence room technician is a

RADIO OPERATOR / CLERK-DISPATCH OPERATIONS



Grand Blanc Township Police Department dispatch operation is a 24 hour a day, seven day per week and 365 days a year operation. Our lobby is open at all times to the public, and is frequently used for on-line transactions and child custody exchanges. It is staffed by five full-time and five part-time civilian employees. Our radio operator/clerks take calls requesting police assistance and dispatch units as necessary. They are many times, the first contact that the public has with our police department and are the voice of the Grand Blanc Township Police.

In addition to taking phone calls from the public and providing clerical support for patrol officers and the ~~detective~~ bureau - they monitor two radio networks and the security system for officers while they are processing prisoners, as well as the township offices cameras. The

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

smooth operation of this unit is vital to our department as most of the paperwork and communication begins and ends there.

Grand Blanc Township Police Department is one of three police agencies in Genesee County who operate full-time dispatch and lobby service.



Tamberly Cronkright
13 Years of Service



Laura Newman
10 Years of Service



Susan Norman
10 Years of Service



Mary Nurmi
9 Years of Service



Kim Rowland
7 Years of Service

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department has two school resource officers (SRO) who patrol and provide police presence at eight schools in our township. Officer Dan Wolschleger has been the West Middle School SRO since September, 2007. Officer Thomas Whitt began his assignment as East Middle school SRO in September, 2021, taking over for Officer Swartz who was promoted to Sergeant. They act as liaison between schools and law enforcement; conduct presentations for schools, parents and staff and conduct and evaluate school lockdown procedures. They provide guidance and intervention for juvenile crime related issues, as well as create an environment for student growth and safety.

Officer Wolschleger and Officer Swartz (former school resource officer) have successfully trained over 10,000 people in A.L.I.C.E. (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate) training. A.L.I.C.E Training provides individuals with the knowledge and skills to help ensure their survival and minimize the loss of life in the event of an aggressive intruder. Grand Blanc Community Schools, Holy Family School, Grand Blanc Academy, Woodland Park Academy as well as several other businesses including Grand Blanc Township have been trained in A.L.I.C.E. The Grand Blanc Schools were the first district in Genesee County to receive A.L.I.C.E. training and implement the concepts with students and staff.



Officer Daniel Wolschleger
West Middle School
President of Genesee County School
- Resource Officers Association



Officer Thomas Whitt
East Middle School

trust between the community and police. It is a way to build relationships and engage the community through non-police events and interaction. The Grand Blanc Township Police Department actively participates in community policing through a variety of events throughout the year. Most events are planned in advance, however, our officers have been known to drop in on an occasional basketball game or to deliver popsicles to our community swimming pools on a hot summer day. Our social media platforms are updated regularly in order to provide the community with relevant information and to highlight our community policing activities. In return we receive helpful feedback from the community. All of these things play a critical role in establishing trust and a positive relationship with our community.

Below is a summary of events we participated in this year.

- *Ally Challenge* – PGA Golf Event.
- *Bikes on Bricks* – Motorcycle officers participate in annual competition.
- *Camp Safety* – Two-day safety camp for children.
- *Citizens' Police Academy* - Annual academy to educate community on police dept. (not held in 2020-21).
- *Clap out for Health Care Workers* – Genesys Ascension to show support for healthcare during COVID-19.
- *Coffee with a Cop* – An informal talk over coffee with community.
- *Crime Prevention Unit* – Officers assisting community with crime prevention tips.
- *DEA National Drug Take Back Day* – Prescription pill drop off with DEA.
- *Distracted Driving Month* – Month long target of distracted drivers.
- *Feed the Bus* – with Grand Blanc FISH
- *Grand Blanc High School Homecoming Parade* – Participated in the parade
- *Grand Blanc Township Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony*
- *Holiday Heroes Red Kettle Competition* – Salvation Army Event
- *Lunch with Police* – Officers joining Reid Elementary School students for lunch.
- *Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month* – Annual ride event with Secretary of State.
- *Music Around Town* – Flint Symphony Orchestra stopped at our Department to play
- *National Drug Take Back Day* – Occurs throughout the year.
- *National Night Out* – Annual community event.
- *Operation Safe Arrival* – Officers at schools / bus stops during first week of class.
- *Operation Safe Stop* – Targeting drivers running bus lights.
- *Paint the Town Blue* – Child abuse awareness month.
- *Shop with a Hero* – Officers holiday shop with elementary students.
- *Touch a Truck* – Flint event for children to see vehicles/interact with Police officers.
- *Trunk or Treat* – Officers hand out candy at various locations and events
- *FISH* - Sponsored a FISH family at Christmas.



2021 Ally Challenge



Coffee With a Cop



Red Kettle Competition



Bikes on Bricks

Camp Safety



20 from 9 am – 3 pm

Grand Blanc High School Parking Lot
11920 S. Saginaw St.

Neighbors
Helping
Neighbors

Collecting donations of:
• Cereal
• Boxed or Canned Meals
• Hygiene Products
• Paper Products
• Laundry / Cleaning Products



WITH FISH OF GRAND BLANC

Holiday Tree Lighting

Feed the Bus!

CRIME PREVENTION



Grand Blanc Homecoming Parade



Trunk or Treat



Music Around Town – Flint Symphony Orchestra



[MLive.com](#)

Health care workers in the Grand Blanc area hospitals and with 'clap out' for persistence fighting

The Grand Blanc Township Crime Prevention Unit was created to unite and educate our entire community with the purpose of preventing crime in Grand Blanc Township. Through the use of simple crime prevention techniques and fostering communication with all community members, the goal of the crime prevention unit is to reduce crime in our area and take proactive steps toward safety.

We strive to educate and advise all members of our community to ensure their safety and security at home, church, school and in our many businesses. We have adopted principles established in *The Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design* (C.P.T.E.D) model which identifies crime trends and breaks down prevention techniques for each unique user in our area.

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department has partnered with Nextdoor (www.nextdoor.com), the private social network for neighborhoods and most recently Ring Doorbell. This partnership is intended to build stronger and safer communities with the help of our residents. The Grand Blanc Township Police Department is the 2,000th agency in the country to partner with the social network with over 9,300 residents signed up.



Officer Jon Strom



Officer Tim Bueche



Officer Lindsay Witthuhn



Officer Tom Whitt

Grand Blanc Township Police Department is proud to have hosted Citizens' Police Academy during 2017, 2018 and 2019. Due to COVID-19, the academy was not held in 2020 and 2021. The academy is an 11-week program which gives residents the opportunity to see what, why, and how we provide police services throughout the township.



The goal of the Citizen Police Academy is to familiarize residents with the department structure, services and personnel. The academy does not give the participants any authority or certification, but

demonstrates the daily duties of law enforcement and enhances the citizen's awareness and understanding of the department's role in the community.

The academy covers a wide variety of topics and hands on opportunities. Some of them include an overview of the department, patrol and detective bureau operations, subject control tactics, traffic stop safety, K-9 unit operations, drug enforcement, O.W.I overview, evidence overview and many other topics. At the end of the 11-week academy the participants have a better understanding of the daily operations of the Grand Blanc Township Police Department and increase their relationship between the department and the community.

We look forward to hosting this event again in 2022!



National Night Out is an annual event designed to enhance the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. It also provides a great opportunity to bring police and the community together under positive circumstances.



After a one year pause due to COVID-19, National Night Out returned on Tuesday, August 3, 2021. It included many activities for the community: bounce houses, basketball shooting, baseball throw, D.

photo booth, hot dogs, chips, Culver's ice cream, K-9 demonstration. Members of the Grand Blanc Township Department of Public Works were there with their vehicles, the Grand Blanc Fire Department, The Grand Blanc City Police Department, a medical helicopter, the Armed Forces and members of Swartz Ambulance participated as well. Each year we participate we get a larger response from the community.



Field Training Program

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department conducts an intensive 14-week training period for new officers. This training period includes three four-week "steps" with three different Field Training Officers. Each step becoming more challenging than the previous. Their workload and responsibility increases as knowledge is gained. The

final step is a two-week “shadow phase” where the teaching and training ends and the new officer is required to perform and function as a solo police officer while the field training officer evaluates his ability to act and react on his/her own. Once released to solo patrol, the new officer’s performance is continuously evaluated and documented. Every new officer is employed on a 12-month probationary period. They are supervised by Sgt. Belanger, and commanded by Lt. Renye.

Medical Responses

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department responds to all medical calls for service. Each patrol car is equipped with automatic electronic defibrillators (A.E.D), and all sworn personnel are trained in the opioid overdose prevention program, including the authorization for carrying and the administration of Narcan in accordance with Federal and State laws. All police department personnel are trained in C.P.R/A.E.D and first aid.

Vacation Check Service

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department provides a vacation check service to the residents of the township. This service has been in place since the mid 1970’s. Residents going out of town for longer than one week, and have no one watching their house while they are away, are eligible to participate by calling the police department and requesting to have an officer check on their house. Vacation checks are distributed to officers each morning during the pre-shift briefing. Throughout their shifts, officers check each home on the list by walking around the house and inspecting windows and doors.

Senior Citizen Call-In Program

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department maintains a list of approximately eight senior citizens that live in the township who are checked on a daily basis at the request of themselves or their family members. This program has been active since the early 1980’s. Most of the seniors live alone (and have health issues) and have family members who live out of state. Seniors are instructed to call in to the police

department daily at a pre-arranged time that they set up and the dispatcher logs that contact has been made. If contact has not been made with the senior by early afternoon after many attempts, a police officer is dispatched to their house to check their welfare.

Traffic Speed Monitoring Devices

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department has a total of four speed monitoring devices - two speed monitoring trailers and two speed boards. These devices are available to be placed in target areas at the request of residents. They are used for speed monitoring along the township's roadways and in our approximate 191 subdivisions. Officers may be targeted in those areas as well for enforcement purposes.



Prescription Drug Awareness Program

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department has a prescription pill drop box located in our lobby available 24 hours a day, seven days a week and 365 days a year. This drop box provides residents a safe place to dispose of unwanted, unused or expired prescription pills only. We also partner with the Drug Enforcement Agency twice a year for the National Take Back Initiative that urges people to properly dispose of their prescription medicine. Each year we collect hundreds of pounds of prescription pills through the program. In 2020, over 330lbs of prescription pills were collected, and in 2021 over 232lbs of prescription pills were collected.

Internship Participation

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department partners with universities and colleges from across the state to provide an internship experience for college students. Each year we receive several applications from students that want to intern with us. Due to the ⁵³ amount of applications we receive, we conduct interviews as part of our selection process. During their

internship with our department, the students experience all aspects of the department and work closely with department members. In 2020 and 2021 the intern program was paused due to COVID-19, we are looking forward to starting this program again in the very near future.

Flint Area Narcotics Group (F.A.N.G.)

Grand Blanc Township Police Department has participated in F.A.N.G. since approximately 1982. The unit is led by the Michigan State Police and is comprised of officers from police agencies throughout Genesee County. This unit is responsible for extensive undercover narcotic and surveillance operations.

Advocates and Leaders for Police and Community Trust (A.L.P.A.C.T.)



The Advocates and Leaders for Police and Community Trust group is a cross section of community members and law enforcement that meet to ask questions and learn from one another. It has been a great tool to build partnerships with several community groups and other law enforcement agencies. Chief Wiles currently serves as the Co-Chair of this group.

The members meet monthly to examine issues affecting police and community relations, including but not limited to, community perceptions of discriminatory enforcement of laws, racial profiling and use of force by officers. A.L.P.A.C.T members work together to explore strategies to increase opportunities for community partnering and to build a stronger foundation of higher levels of community trust of law enforcement.

The Explorers Program is designed to assist students aged 15-20 who have an interest in law enforcement with the decision of whether or not they would like to pursue a career as a police officer. Membership in the program includes a rare opportunity to work side-by-side with police officers and fire fighters as they train, as well as interacting with the public.

The Grand Blanc Police Explorers has recruited advisors and instructors from the Grand Blanc Township Police Department, Grand Blanc City Police Department and the Grand Blanc Fire Department to assist in the many training opportunities. It is our goal to provide the highest quality training, professionalism and experience to our local youth, in the hopes that they may be working side-by-side with us in the future. The Explorers assist the department with major events as well as attend public relations functions. Additionally, many former Explorer members have transitioned to work in our dispatch center.

Officer Jon Strom and Officer Amber Weber are the assigned advisors from Grand Blanc Township Police Department who conduct bi-weekly meetings with the Explorers, as well as a state-wide Explorer competition and a one week boot-camp style training academy in Battle Creek which is held annually.



The Grand Blanc Township Police Department is honored to partner with Big Brothers Big



Sisters of Flint and Genesee County on the Bigs in Blue program. Bigs in Blue is a one-to-one mentoring program that connects youth with police in our community, building strong, trusting, and lasting relationships. These relationships can help children develop into confident adults and help build stronger bonds between law enforcement and the families they serve.

Currently Officer Witthuhn, Officer Weber, Officer Swartz, Officer Wolschleger, Lieutenant Simpson, and Chief Wiles participate in the program. They are paired with students from the Grand Blanc Academy and meet regularly to build confidence, understanding, and trust with their “littles”.

#BigsInBlue #DefendersOfPotential



The Grand Blanc Township Police Department participates in a grant that provides funds for the purchase of body armor. This program has been in place since 2001. The department has received \$49,918.37 for the sole purchase of body armor. There is currently \$3,245 remaining in the fund. Any purchase of body armor requires 50% matching funds.

Genesee County Auto Theft Unit (G.A.I.N.)

The countywide auto theft unit is comprised of officers from around the county who target auto theft complaints. Grand Blanc Township does not have an officer assigned to this unit, however, we work with and provide assistance to them to help reduce auto theft throughout the county.

Office of Highway Safety Planning (O.H.S.P.) – Seatbelt Grant

Grand Blanc Township Police Department participates along with other agencies in a grant that targets seat-belt enforcement throughout the county. This grant is federally funded through O.H.S.P. and is managed through Flint Township Police Department. The grant covers the wages and benefits for all participating officers.

Office of Highway Safety Planning (O.H.S.P.) – Operating While Intoxicated (O.W.I) Enforcement Grant

Officers from this agency are assigned to targeted areas and roadways for people operating their vehicle while intoxicated. They can be assigned throughout the county but normally work in our jurisdiction when enforcing this effort. This grant is federally funded through O.H.S.P. and is managed by the Flint Township Police Department.

Training is one of the pillars of professionalism and nowhere is that more accurate than for the law enforcement profession. There are constant changes in laws, techniques, public will, technology, etc. It is the charge of the Grand Blanc Township Police Department to not only keep up with those changes, but also, to be ahead of them. As mentioned above, high quality training not only gives employees technical skills, it also promotes their confidence by giving them more “tools” to accomplish the mission and vision of the department.

As effective law enforcement training continues to be an imperative aspect of professional policing, the Grand Blanc Township Police Department has continuously sought out the best learning opportunities available. The opportunities come from diverse sources including, but not limited to; L.E.O.R.T.C., Michigan State Police Training Academy and Oakland Police Academy, and private vendors along with in-service training.

The Department is continuing its effort to keep our employees certified in the high profile areas such as; defensive tactics (PPCT) and first aid/CPR. Along with those areas, we continue to emphasize specific areas of training viewed as high priority. They include; Fair and Impartial Policing (*Implicit Bias*), Supervision, Mental Health First Aid, and Emergency Vehicle Operations. In those categories alone, the following training was accomplished in calendar year 2021:

- *Fair and Impartial Policing (Implicit Bias)*— All employees have taken a form of this training in the last 3 years.
- *Supervision* – 80% of all sworn employees in management positions attended this type of training in 2021.
- *Mental Health / First Aid* – 25% of sworn employees attended this training in 2021 and 70% have attended within the last two years.
- *Emergency Vehicle Operations* – 20% of sworn employees attended this training in 2021 and 80% have attended within the last three years.

Members of the Grand Blanc Township Police Department spent 3552 hours in total training (2479 hours in 2020). The Grand Blanc Township Police Department received \$4873.44 in Michigan Justice Training Fund

(Public Act302) funds that funded 1,376 hours of training through the L.E.O.R.T.C. (\$3.54 per training hour). The total spent on training for 2021 was \$25,451.40 (\$7.19 per training hour)As previously mentioned, training avenues are primarily found outside of the department. There is also great pride taken in the fact that many of our employees are certified to instruct on various topics. They include:

- Chief Wiles – Leadership in Police Organizations (LPO)
- Lieutenant Simpson – Master K-9 Trainer
- Lieutenant Renye – Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST), Drug Recognition (DR)
Sergeant Quinn – Pressure Point Control Tactics (PPCT), Taser, Simulated
- Firearms, Narcotics Identification, Traffic Stops, Interview Tactics, Live Fire Shoot House, Synthetic Opiates
Sergeant McCoy – Pressure Point Control Tactics (PPCT), Taser
- Officer Strom – Radar, Lidar, First Aid, Motorcycle Operations, Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE)
Officer Swartz – First Aid, Police Response to and Active Shooter – Killer
- (PRASK), Alert-Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evacuate (ALICE), Fair & Impartial Policing
Officer Evans – Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE),
- Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST), Drug Recognition (DR)
Officer Bueche – Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE), Road
- Wise
Officer Seeley and Officer Gelinski – Firearms Instructors
- Officer Wright – Use of Force (PPCT)
- Daily and effective “Roll-Call Training” is important to officer development, it’s a time not only for sergeants to meet with their shift, but, also conduct anecdotal and practical training as well as reviewing certain topics that relate to the law enforcement profession on statutes, techniques, public will, technology and policies, etc.

The Grand Blanc Township Police Department is committed to searching out and attending the best and most cutting-edge training and education available for all of its employees. This will in turn give those who live, visit, or travel through our community the unsurpassed service they expect and deserve.

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Chief Wiles currently serves as the President of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police (MACP)

RETIREEs

K-9 Jimi retired on February 5, 2021
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Officer Brady Harner retired on
February 8, 2021 with 25 years of service.

Sergeant Marc Ferguson retired on
July 23, 2021 with 25 years of service.





Officer Doug McLeod began his career with the Grand Blanc Township Police Department on May 3, 2021, having previously worked at the Burton Police Department.



Officer Nick Jones began his career with the Grand Blanc Township Police Department on May 13, 2021, having previously worked at the Fenton Police Department.



Officer Mark Mahon began his career with the Grand Blanc Township Police Department on July 6, 2021, having previously worked at the Burton Police Department.

Officer Anita Toma graduated from Oakland University Police Academy in December, 2021 and she began her career and her 14-week Field Training Program with the Grand Blanc Township Police Department on December 20, 2021.



Employee of the Year

Departmental Unit Commendation

Officer
Officer
Detective
Sergeant
Officer
Detective
Officer
Officer
Officer

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Officer
Detective
Officer
Sergeant
Officer
Radio Operator / Clerk
Officer
Officer
Detective
Officer
Officer

Citation of Personal Excellence

Captain
Officer
Sergeant
Officer
Officer
Officer

Departmental Commendation

Captain
Officer
Officer
Officer
Officer
Officer

Letter of Appreciation

Sergeant
Officer
Officer
Detective
Officer
Officer
Sergeant
Sergeant
Sergeant
Officer
Sergeant
Officer
Detective
Officer

Employee of the Year Candidates (Alphabetical)

Officer
Officer
Officer

