



FRESNO POLICE DEPARTMENT

2013 Annual Report



THE FRESNO POLICE DEPARTMENT'S VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS

VISION

To serve our community with honesty, compassion and respect.

MISSION

The mission of the Fresno Police Department is to enhance safety, service, and trust with our community.

- Keep our community safe by preventing citizens from becoming victims of crime or from being injured in traffic collisions. This is our highest priority.
- Provide excellent service to the numerous requests we receive from the community. Our principle duty is to serve.
- Maintain the trust of our community. This trust provides every department member with the foundation required to carry out our duties. Without trust we simply do not have the authority to serve our public.

The phrase “with our community” is included to reflect our desire to work side by side, in partnership with our community as we collectively fulfill our mission.



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Dear Members of our Community:

I hope you will find this year's Annual Report enlightening as you get an inside look at the accomplishments of the Fresno Police Department and our efforts to keep our citizens safe.

For the third straight year, violent crime decreased in our city with a 7% reduction in 2013. The most notable was a 22% decline in homicides. Property crimes also fell by 12%. In fact, for the first time in over a decade, every single crime category decreased in our city. A remarkable accomplishment when considering the significant loss of personnel experienced by the department combined with a strained criminal justice system. The credit truly belongs to the hard working men and women of the Fresno Police Department and the partnerships we have formed with neighborhoods and community organizations.

We also continue to see fewer people injured on our roadways as a result of a motor collision. During the past 12 years Fresno has experienced a 43% reduction in injury collisions and a 42% reduction in fatal collisions. I am thankful for the dedicated efforts of our Traffic Officers.

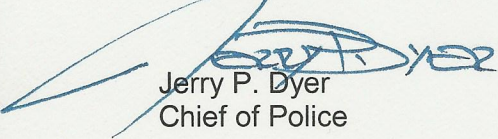
This past year, the newly formed Homeless Task Force was established to eliminate encampments and to facilitate services to those who have found themselves on hard times. This task force has had an incredible impact on reducing victimization amongst the homeless and eliminating blight caused by encampments.

There were many changes in the department in 2013. Lieutenants replaced captains as District Commanders and previous commanders were placed in positions of increased authority. All of this was done to increase the level of experience for our command staff and to minimize stagnation within the department due to a lack promotional opportunities. The immediate results have been impressive, but the real payoff has yet to come.

The Fresno Police Department continues to explore evolving technology through the creation of the "Joint Multi-Purpose Crime Center", the implementation of Predictive Policing, and a future "Real Time Crime Center" to open in the middle of 2014. This technology will dramatically increase our ability to address crime trends and provide real time information to responding officers and Investigators in the field.

I am extremely proud to be the police chief of such a progressive organization and supportive community. I look forward to serving as your police chief for years to come.

Sincerely,


Jerry P. Dyer
Chief of Police

"Safety, Service, Trust"

Professional, Effective, Timely



In order to make the community and police officers safer the Fresno Police Department is developing a Real-Time Crime Center (RTCC). Our Real-Time Crime Center will look similar to, and serve the same general purpose as, a “Mission Control” center. The RTCC will be the middle element between our dispatch center and officers responding to high priority calls. Officers will arrive at calls armed with valuable information and intelligence that will allow for safer approaches and sound tactics to prevent or disrupt criminal activity.

Our plan is to convert our 650 square foot library and kitchen into a Real-Time Crime Center equipped with twelve to sixteen 55-inch large-screen high definition monitors mounted on the walls, a 90-inch large-screen monitor in the center of the bank of monitors, 8 radio console/workstations, and multiple computers with 20 flat screen monitors. The RTCC will be staffed by officers who are on limited duty due to injuries. These officers will monitor emergency calls that have come into our dispatch center and immediately begin developing information and intelligence to provide to responding officers to allow for increased situational awareness so they may virtually “see around the corner” and “know who is behind the doors” of residences they respond to.

Real-Time Crime Center personnel will be able to view all police calls that await to be handled and those that officers are enroute to; view a map of the city showing the location of all patrol cars and calls; monitor our radio channels; view live video from our 166 video policing cameras; access a record of previous calls for service and crimes at locations officers are responding to; bring up a record of all previous arrests and contacts for any names listed in a dispatched call; and, access a number of databases to gain additional information and intelligence on people, places, current crime trends, and other issues that may affect the response and approach that will be chosen for a call.

REAL-TIME CRIME CENTER

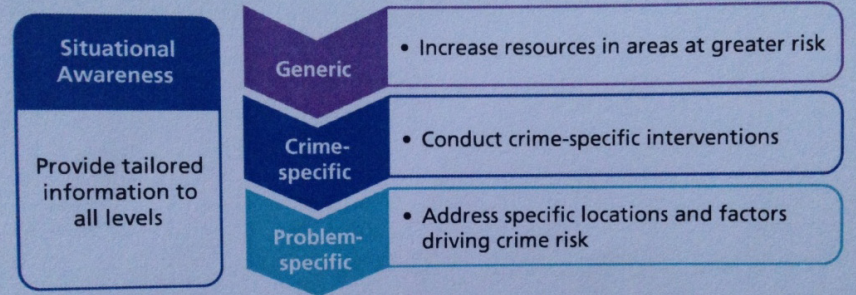


Above: Current library and kitchen
Below: Real-Time Crime Centers



PREDICTIVE POLICING

Intervention Methods



In late 2013 the Fresno Police Department created a Predictive Policing Team in the Patrol Support Bureau. The team is comprised of three experienced Crime Analysts and one Computer Programmer, led by a Sergeant and commanded by a Captain. Predictive Policing is the next generation of crime analysis. The origins of crime analysis in policing date back to the first “pin-maps” that were used to plot crime locations on a map. As years passed and computers were introduced into police work, spreadsheets, data tables, and computer-generated maps began being used in crime analysis. However, crime analysis still continued to be a “look backward” at where and when crime occurred. Predictive Policing is a more scientific look at past and current crime using algorithms (mathematical formulas) and analytics (in-depth examinations of various aspects of crime), with a future-oriented approach to make predictions about likely future crime locations, times, victims, perpetrators, crime types, and methods of operations.

Predicting that a burglary of some type will occur somewhere in Fresno in the next 24 hours will have one hundred percent accuracy; however it will have no usefulness for officers or citizens. Predictive Policing, to provide significant value to the community, takes crime forecasting to the level of preciseness that allows for officers to have useful information that can be acted upon to prevent crime and to identify and arrest perpetrators. One of the primary goals is to prevent criminal activity by repeat offenders against repeat victims. Predictive policing is always looking for patterns. Crime will likely occur where crime has already occurred. Research has shown that patrol checks of 13 to 15 minutes every two hours are effective to diminish criminal activity in a hotspot. The combination of the Predictive Policing Team providing useful and actionable crime forecasts to officers, along with “smart deployment” of officers to the hot spots based upon factors such as likely time of day and day of week for specific crimes committed by specific offenders using specific M.O.’s, is the most effective way to prevent and disrupt criminal activity.

Our Predictive Policing Team will use computerized geographic profiling software that assists in the production of color-coded maps that show the most likely area of the offender’s search base (search for a place to make or commit a crime). Patrol officers and pro-active enforcement teams will use this information to determine locations for their deployment. Investigators will use the geographic profiling maps to focus on the best locations to find out the identity of offenders with the goal of locating them sooner rather than later.

Successful predictive policing involves: top-level support, sufficient resources, personnel who are interested and enthusiastic, a good working relationship between crime analysts and officers, shared situational awareness throughout the department to assist in decision-making, officers with the freedom to carry out interventions, and a good working relationship with the community. Through the use of computer programs fed with high quality data, good analysis, accurate predictions, open communication, and department-wide emphasis on fighting crime, 2014 promises to be a highly successful initial year of Predictive Policing in our Department.

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Chief Dyer

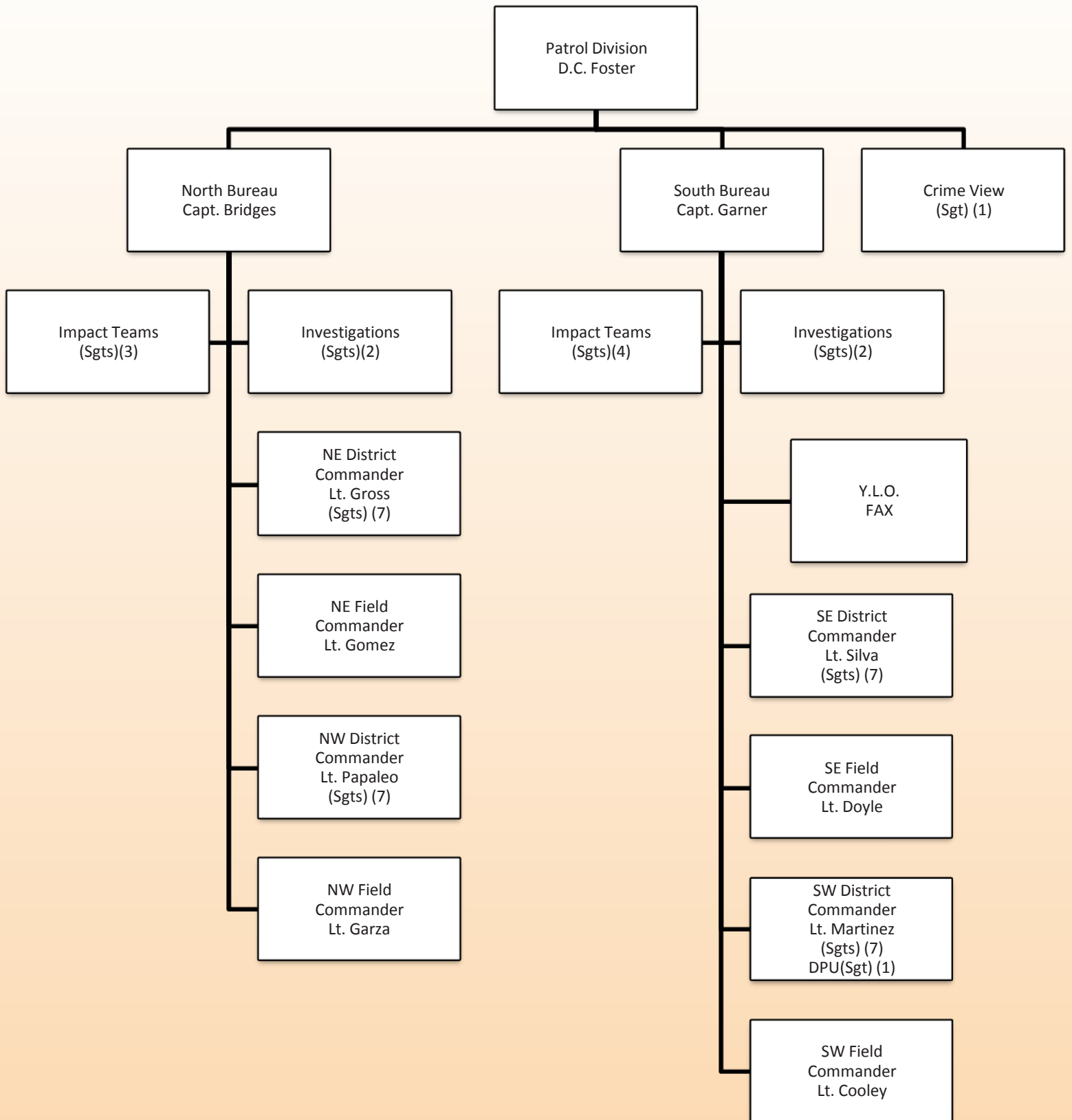


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Deputy Chief Foster

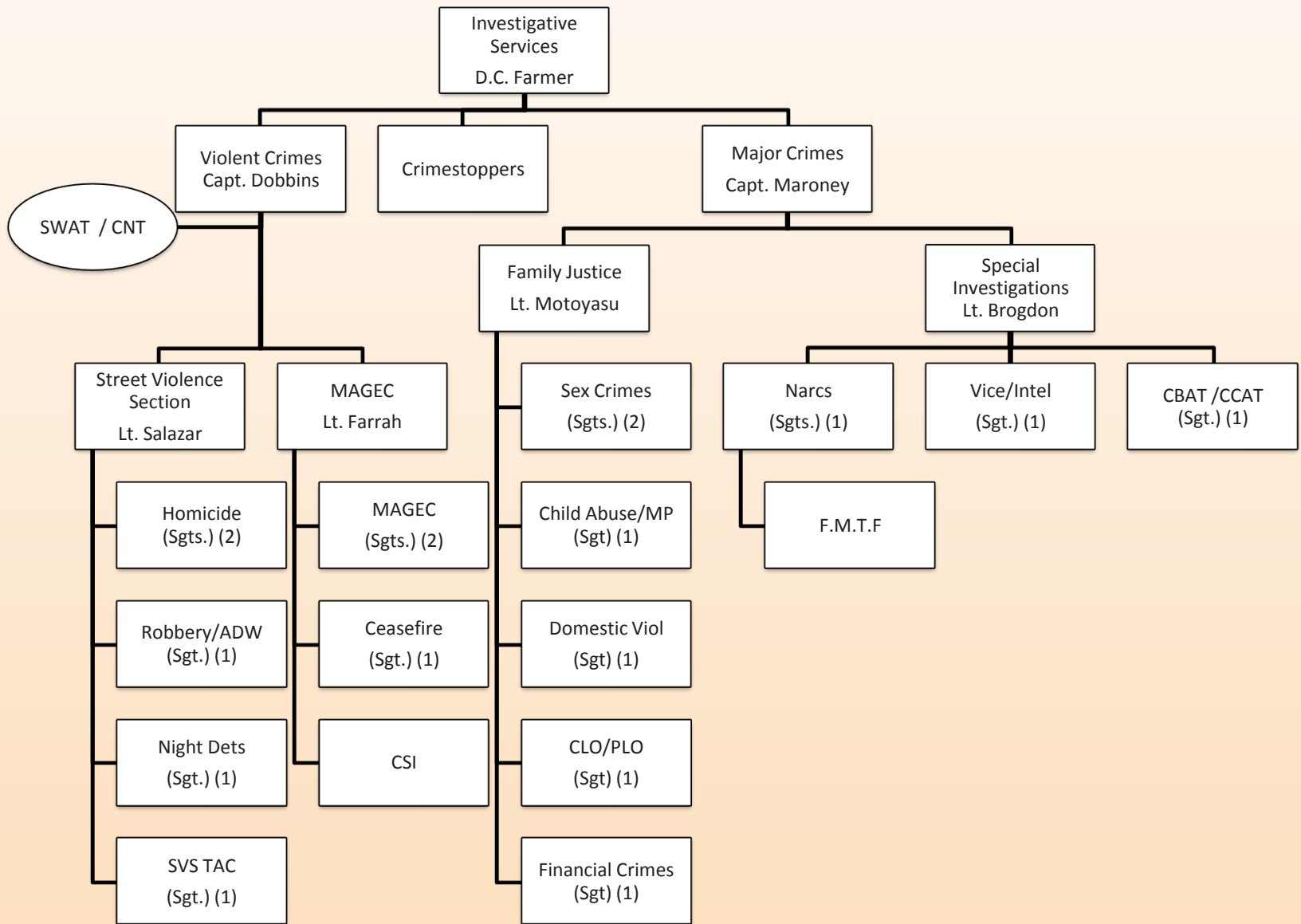
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Deputy Chief Farmer

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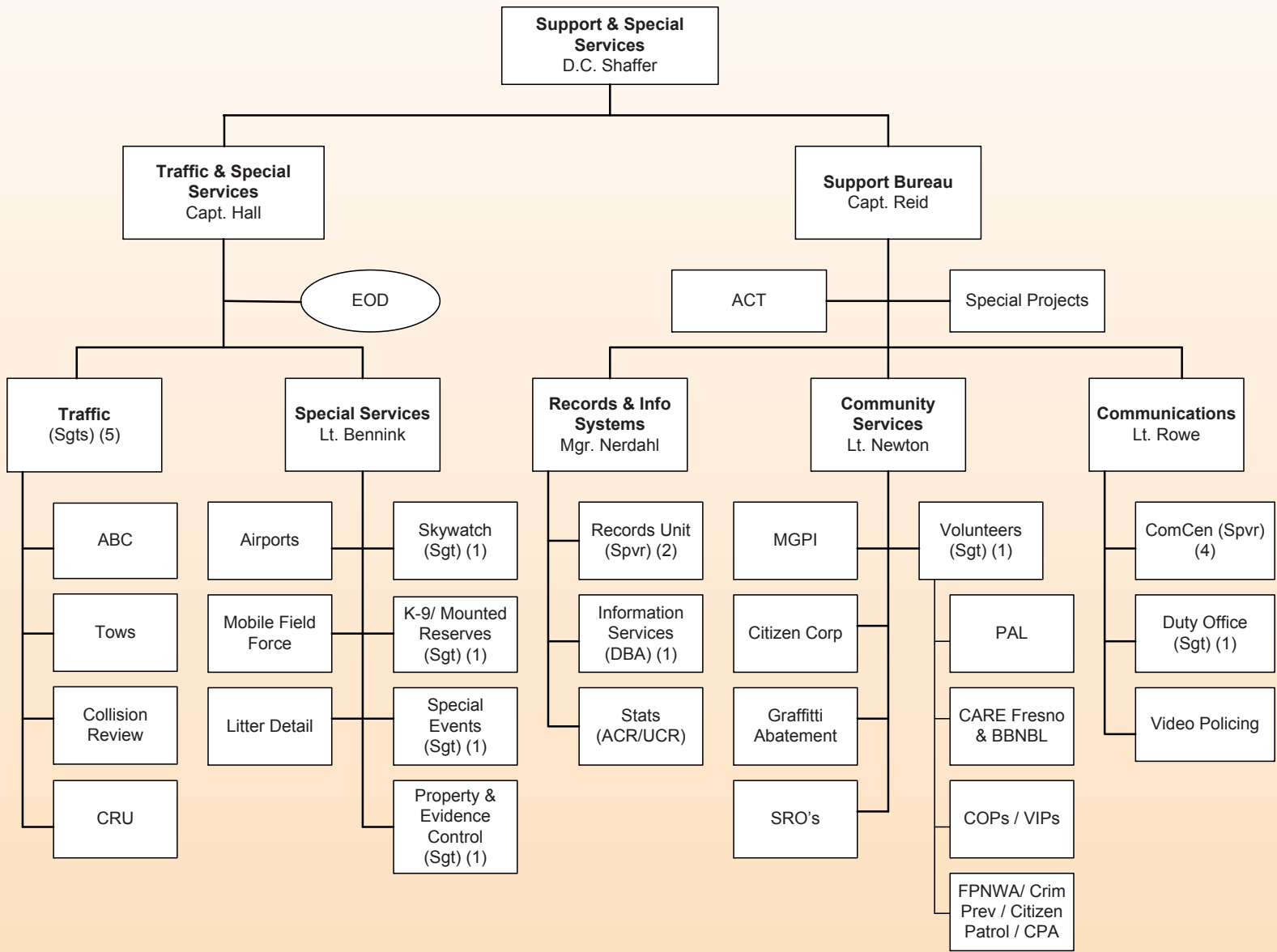
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Deputy Chief Nevarez



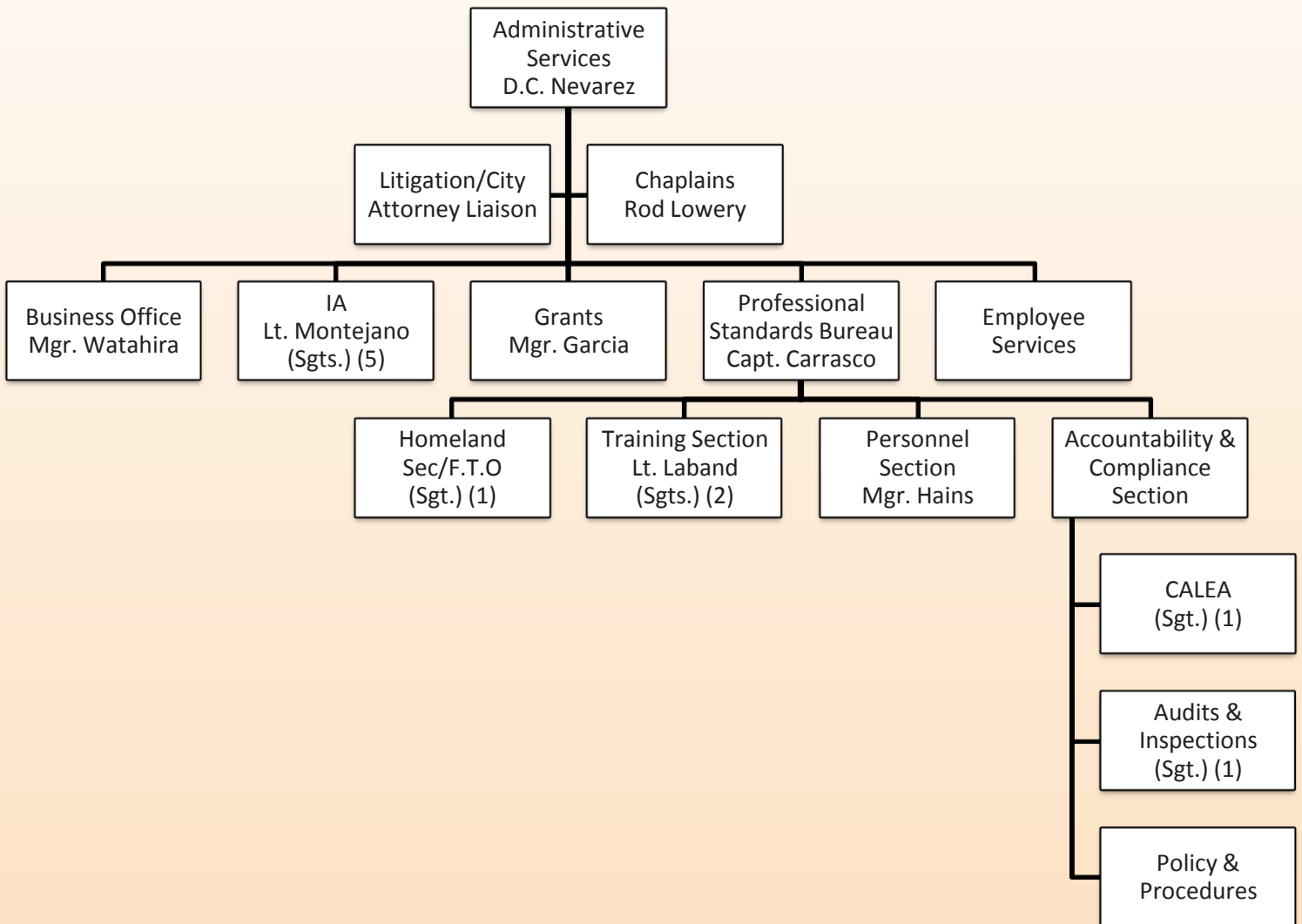
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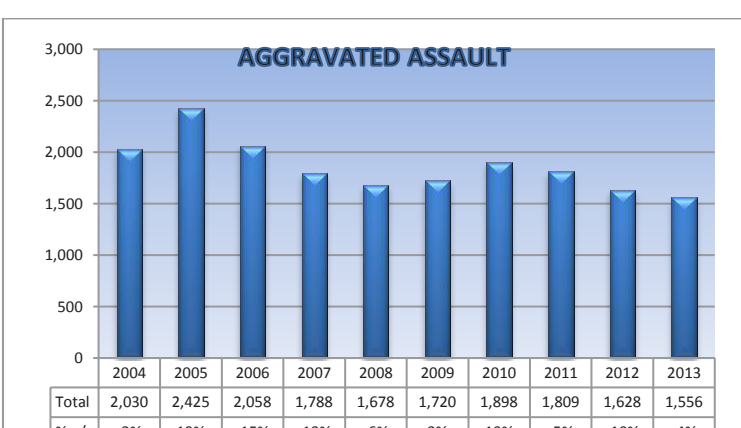
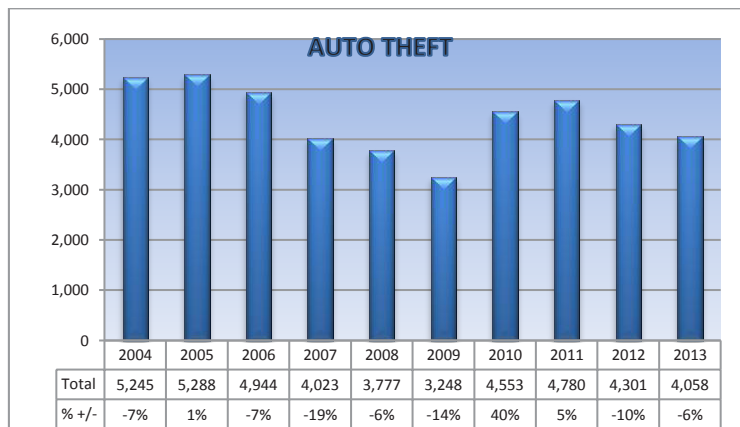
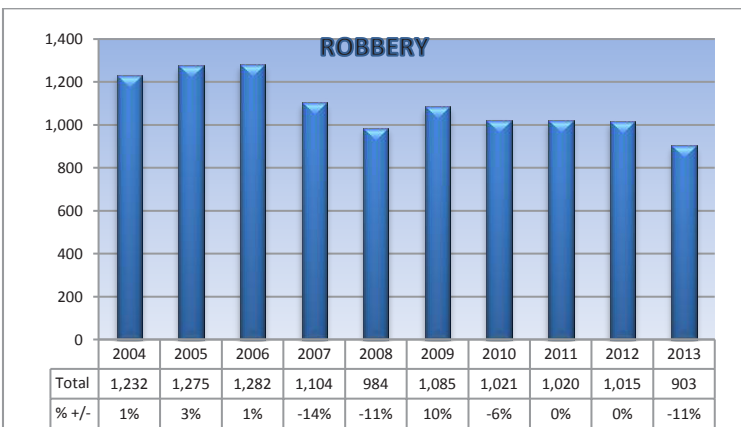
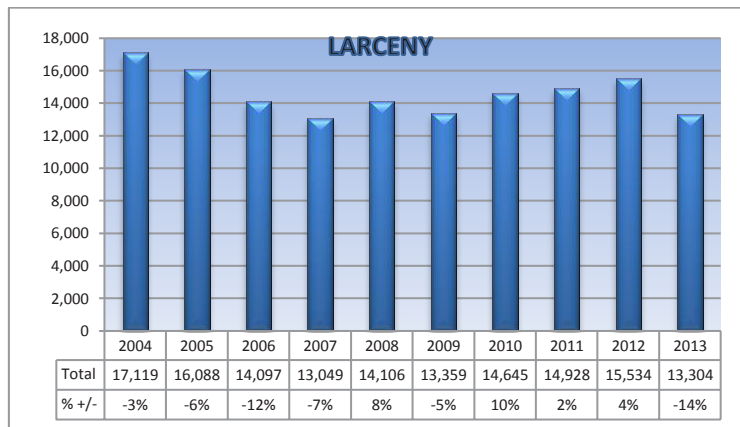
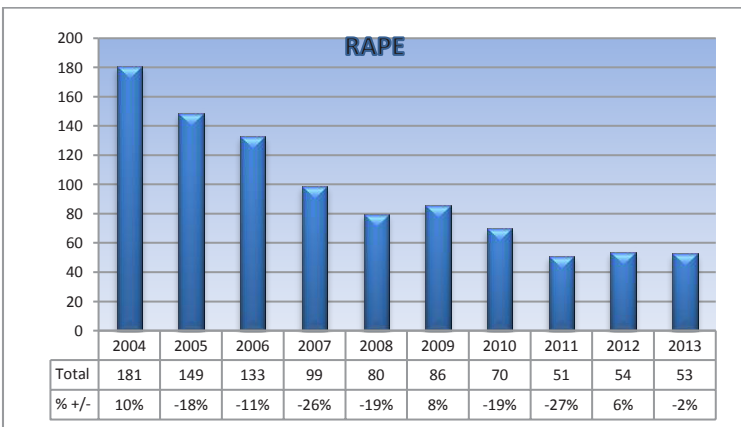
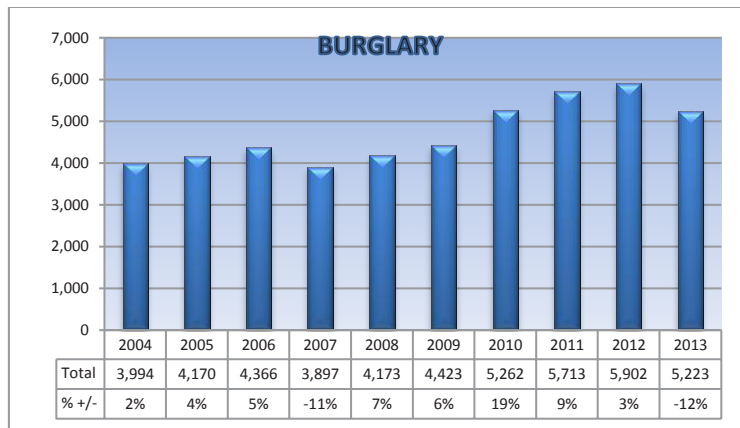


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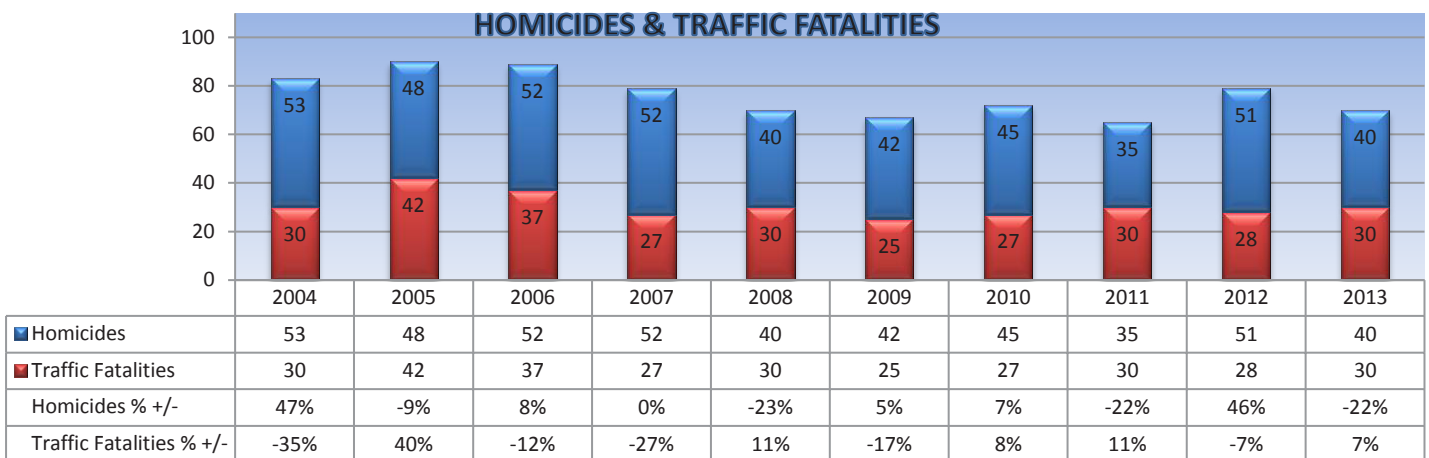
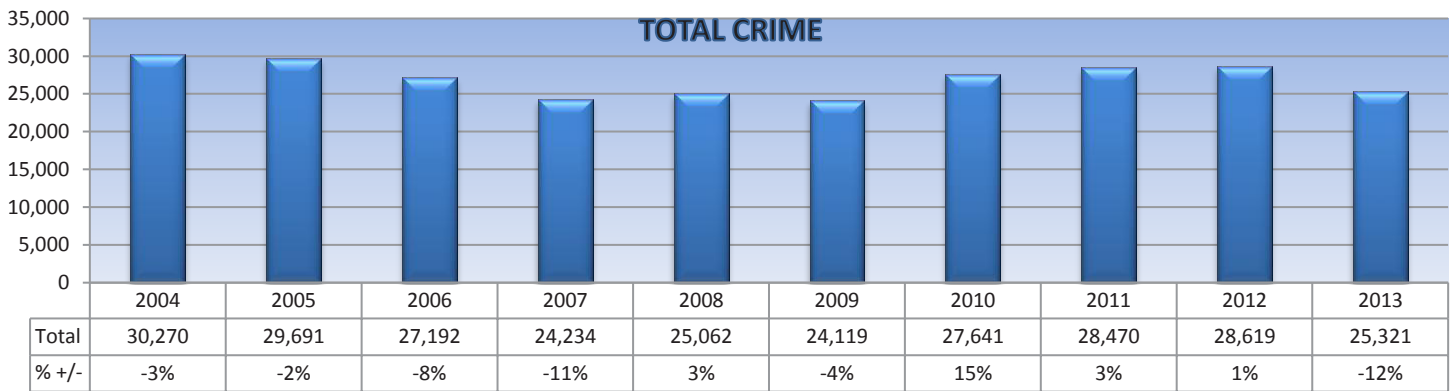
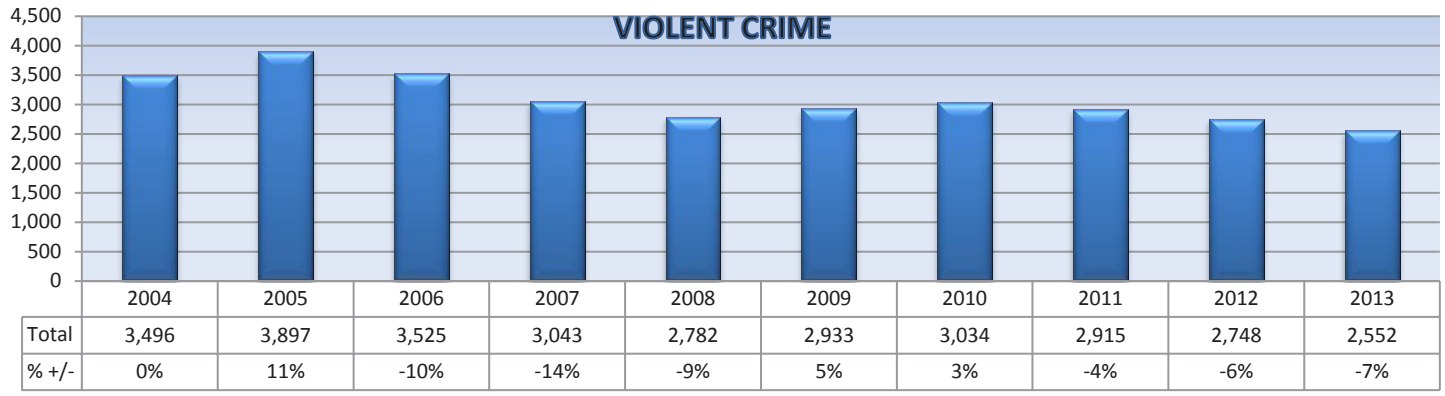


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CRIME STATISTICS



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HOMELESS TASK FORCE

The Homeless Task Force (HTF) is a City Task Force comprised of one Police Sergeant, four Police Officers, two Code Enforcement Officers and two Solid Waste Workers. Formed in late July of 2013, the HTF was created to facilitate the removal of the three established homeless encampments that were plaguing the Southwest District. The cleanups began August 26th and ended on September 9, 2013. Over 286 tons of trash and debris were removed and close to 100 tons of property was stored. Once completed, the HTF went to work keeping the areas free from future encampments by doing proactive enforcement on “quality of life” crimes and building relationships with

both the homeless and the service providers that assist them. Since its inception, the HTF has now completed four major encampment cleanups and removed over 168 smaller homeless settlements. In addition, they have made 73 Felony arrests, 147 Misdemeanor arrests, issued 180 citations and removed over 770 shopping carts from the street. All this with no citizen complaints! This is in part due to the HTF all wearing Taser Body Cameras that are used to record all property storage and release, as well as citizen contacts. The Mission of the HTF is to assist both the community and the homeless by providing a safer environment, free from illegal and dangerous encampments.

SIB

(SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU)

VICE/INTEL UNIT

The Vice – Criminal Intelligence Unit is operated out of the Special Operations Division. The unit's primary function is the self initiation and follow-up investigation of vice related crimes, along with oversight and permitting of Card room and Massage businesses within the city. In part, the Criminal Intelligence side of the unit collects analyses and disseminates information relating to organized crime, threats to public officials and the protection of visiting dignitaries. One of the intelligence detectives holds collateral duties with the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force and another holds collateral duties with the IRS Central Valley Financial Crimes Task Force.

In 2013 the unit continued its leadership in the fight against Human Trafficking, partnering with non-governmental organizations and the faith based communities. The unit's efforts were recognized and awarded continued state funding through CalOES as one of 9 states funded anti human trafficking task forces. The unit's impact on the criminal offenders who target the most vulnerable with these horrendous crimes has been notable. Since 2010, 23 suspects have been sentenced to prison in state and/or federal court with lengthy sentences, up to 50 years.

The unit assisted Council Member Clinton J. Olivier in the adoption of an amended Massage Ordinance which was voted for unanimously. This new ordinance has allowed the city to be compliant with state law and provide a higher standard of certification for an industry that has a history of being a front for the sex trade.

- * 372 background investigations were conducted with the application and/or renewal of Massage Business permits.
- * 243 background investigations were completed with the application and/or renewal of a Card room employee permit.
- * 64 planned undercover operations in the investigation of prostitution, Human Trafficking and gambling offences were conducted.
- * 130 arrests for prostitution & public lewd act offences were made from various undercover operations, including "B", "john", in-call, Adult Bookstore and Massage operations.
- * 14 juvenile human trafficking victims from the Sex Trade were identified and services were provided to them.
- * 11 Human Trafficking suspects were arrested, with charges being filed. To date, 6 of the cases have been adjudicated; sentences received ranging from 5 to 50 years in state or federal penitentiary.
- * 10 arrests were made on the possession and operation of illegal gambling devices, similar to slot machines.
- * 98 illegal electronic and mechanical gambling devices were seized for destruction.
- * \$204,027.34 in cash seizure was obtained through gambling and financial crime seizures.

NARCOTICS UNIT

Felony arrest	67
Marijuana grow complaints investigated	149
Search warrant	30
Guns	14
Methamphetamines	30 lbs.
Marijuana	5,031 lbs.
Heroin	5 oz
Pills (MDMA, Oxy, Etc.)	3,071
Opium	7 lbs.
Mushrooms	2.5 lbs.
Cocaine	0
Dispensaries	6
Assets seizure investigation amount	\$572,510.00

CCAT

Felony arrests	362
Chop shops	96
Crews identified and arrested	22
Recovered Stolen	582
Guns recovered	32
Probation and Parole searches	56
Gang Members arrested for auto theft	89%
Gang members arrested for violent crimes or extensive violent histories	82%
Pawn Unit assist Districts Detective resulted in arrest	5
Pawn Unit assist District Detectives resulted in recovered property at pawn shop	3
Pawn Unit assist outside agencies resulted in arrest	3
Pawn Unit conducted operations resulted in arrest	1

During early 2010, auto theft rates climbed to an average of 25 cars stolen every day in the City of Fresno. To combat this trend, In April of 2011 the Fresno Police Department created the Career Criminal Auto Theft Team (CCATT). This mission of the CCATT team is to reduce the incidents of auto theft through aggressive, innovative, and proactive enforcement measures. Over the last 8 months of 2011 the City of Fresno experienced an immediate auto theft decrease of 64 percent and an additional 15 percent reduction over the next two years.

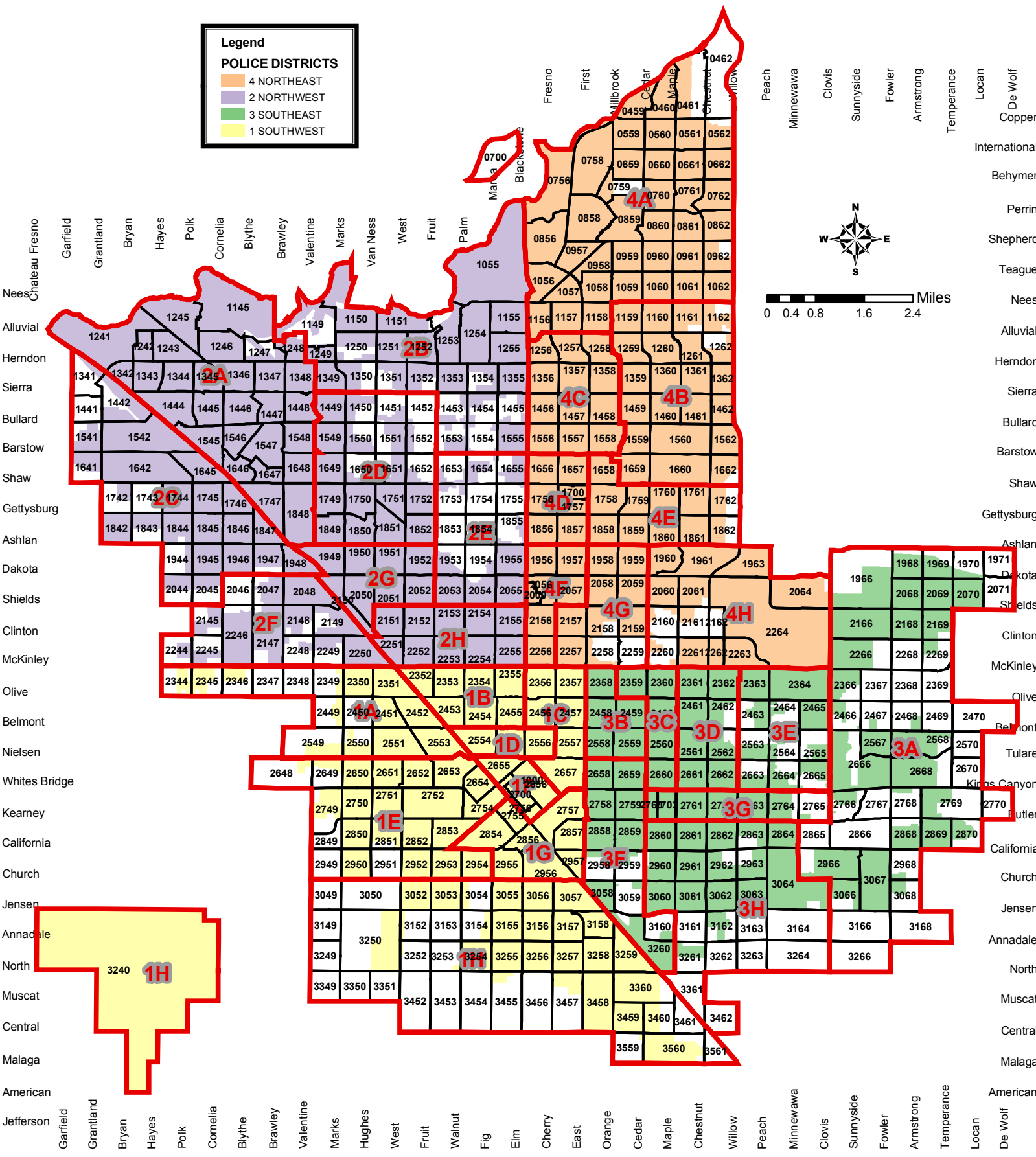
The activities of the CCATT team include long term investigations of auto thefts trends and career criminals who are responsible for these trends. The team uses traditional tactics including surveillance, parole and probation searches, and business inspections to discover possible “chop shops”.

Fresno Police Department

Legend

POLICE DISTRICTS

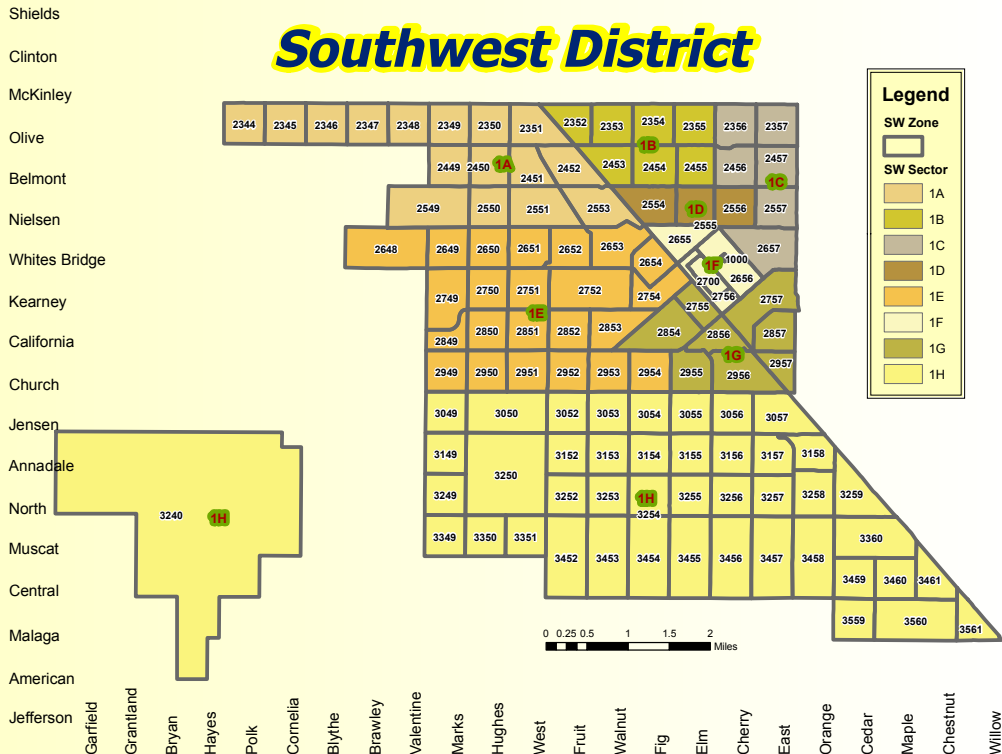
- 4 NORTHEAST
- 2 NORTHWEST
- 3 SOUTHEAST
- 1 SOUTHWEST



Scale: 0 0.4 0.8 1.6 2.4 Miles

Compass rose showing North (N), South (S), East (E), and West (W).

Southwest Policing District



In 2013, there were 729 fewer victims of crime in the Southwest Policing District than in 2012. The Southwest District experienced a 7.1% reduction in violent crime, from 832 to 773, and a 14% reduction in property crime, from 4,778 to 4,108. The crime fighting efforts in the Southwest District netted a 13% overall reduction in crime. The district is proud of this reduction and notes this was the first time in the past three years that Southwest experienced a decrease in both categories.

The Southwest District prides itself in its team-approach to fighting crime. Everyone in the district, from the Patrol Officers initially responding to calls to Impact Team Officers and Detectives tasked with following up on them. The officers, support staff and volunteers all work together to combat crime within the District.

Southwest has the city's only bicycle police officers, who patrol the downtown area and the Fulton Mall. Southwest also has a collaboration of officers, community service officers, church representatives, non-profit groups, and volunteers who make up the "Bringing Broken Neighborhoods Back to Life (BBNBTL)" project. Although based in Southwest, this group coordinates and volunteers to host sixteen (16) block parties throughout the city. Additionally, the department's Traffic Unit, Reserve Officers, and Mounted Patrol Units volunteered to assist with multiple operations and projects this year. Last year, there were also private groups that came together and assisted police their own neighborhoods, i.e., groups such as the Tower Patrol created networks of security and communication to help reduce crime. It was this team-approach that contributed to the Southwest District's success.

The Southwest District is home to annual events such as the Veteran's Day and Christmas parades. It is home to the Fulton Mall where events like Cinco de Mayo and 16th of September events are held, along with the second annual Ice Skating Rink. Chukchansi Park, the home of the Fresno Grizzlies, experienced another baseball season come to Southwest, hosting 72 home games.

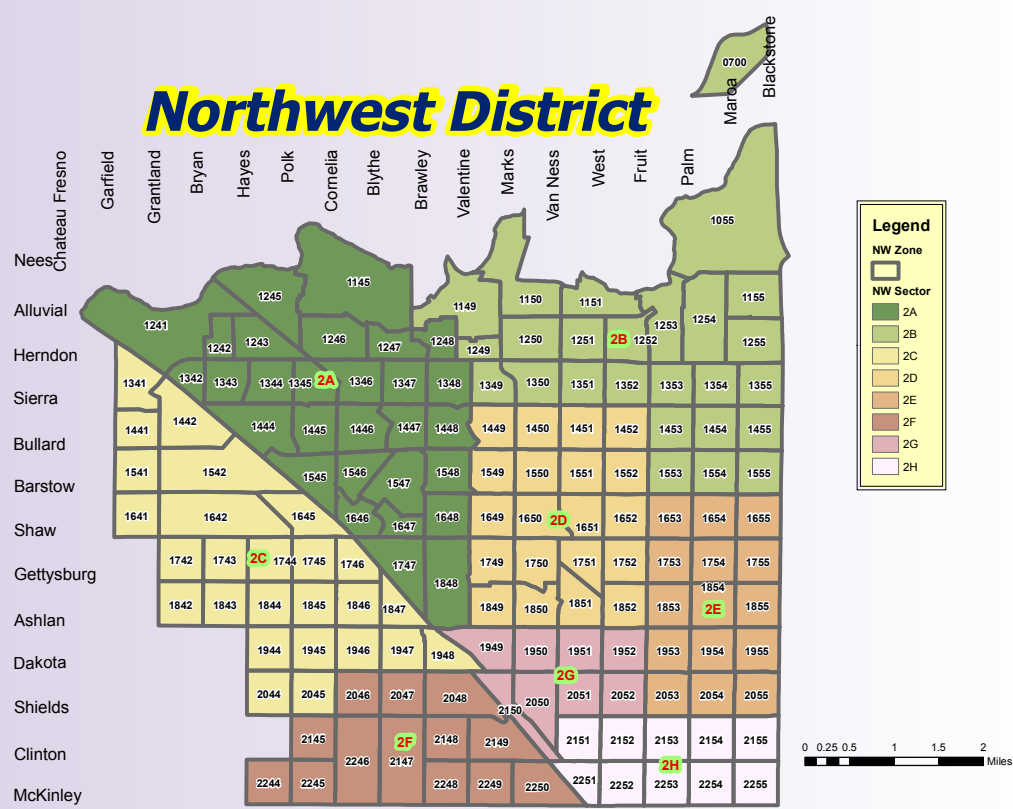
In 2013, Southwest celebrated the 10th Anniversary of Santa's Village. This community event is held in the parking lot of the Southwest Policing District and runs for seven days. During this time, Santa and Mrs. Claus greeted 3,400 people. Each child was given a picture with Santa,

along with a stuffed animal and a corndog, all free of charge due to efforts of BBNBTL. As part of Santa's Village, there was also a clothing give-away and additional services and live entertainment on each day of the event.

The Southwest Policing District encompasses the boundaries of the city, which include areas west of First Avenue and south of McKinley. This includes landmarks like the Tower District, Downtown Fresno, the Lowell and Jefferson area, Fresno City Hall, the Chaffee Zoo, Chukchansi Park, Community Regional Medical Center and the Fulton Mall. These locations draw thousands of visitors each year to Southwest. As you can see, the District remains busy, active with guests and, this year, celebrated a significant reduction in crime. My thanks to everyone who helped with keeping the southwest community safe.



Northwest Policing District



The Northwest Policing District covers everything in the City of Fresno, North of McKinley to the San Joaquin, and West of Blackstone to Chateau Fresno. The district serves over approximately 150,000 people. It encompassed several schools in three school districts; Fresno Unified, Clovis Unified and Central Unified, including Central High School East, Bullard High School, and Fresno High School. Northwest is home to multiple large scale shopping centers, on North Blackstone Avenue, Fig Garden, West Shaw Avenue, and one under construction on West Herndon Avenue. In addition, there are several large industrial centers that bring in thousands of people every day. The Northwest District Commander is Lieutenant Jon Papaleo.

This year's Christmas Tree Lane was organized and supervised by the Traffic Unit. Traffic officers set up alternate traffic patterns nightly and monitored vehicle traffic. The Traffic Unit also coordinated two Walk Nights at Christmas Tree Lane. Thousands attended Christmas Tree Lane, and by having the Traffic Unit handle it, Patrol resources were not impacted.

In July, Fashion Furniture was the victim of a burglary. The business owner chased a male suspect from the scene and provided information to responding officers, including a license number of the vehicle that picked up the suspect a short distance away. Responding officers managed to locate several latent fingerprints at the scene, which were matched to a suspect, believed to be responsible for several commercial burglaries over the prior few months. The identified suspect was known to be staying in motels along Blackstone Avenue and he was located at a Motel 6 a few days later. The suspect was uncooperative and would not allow a search of his room. A search warrant was obtained and stolen property and narcotics were found inside. Other information was located inside the room which linked the suspect to another address, the same address where the vehicle that picked the suspect up after the burglary was registered to. Another search warrant was obtained for the second address and served. Narcotics, stolen property and evidence of identity theft were located during the search. A forensics examination for the numerous computers found was obtained and further evidence of identity theft was discovered.

In August of 2013, Northwest Investigation's Detective Dawnielle Serrano received citizen complaints regarding narcotics activity occurring at an apartment located near Regency and Gates Ave. Northwest Detectives witnessed suspicious activity occurring at this location first hand. Working closely with Sgt. Reynold's NBIT Team a plan was devised and executed. As a result, a stolen handgun and clothing items, from a northwest residential burglary, were recovered. A short-barreled rifle, ammunition and narcotics

were also seized. A known gang member and his associates were arrested. This is just one example of what occurs when multiple units work together to impact the quality of life in a particular neighborhood, usually due to the citizens reporting criminal activity.

Community Service Officer (CSO) Luis Garcia handled NW District issue as the Crime Prevention Officer. He worked continuously to educate the public and help reduce crime by education and communication. CSO Garcia attended 33 Neighborhood Watch Meetings, 2 Business Association Meetings, 2 Apartment Association Meetings, and 2 School Carnivals. In addition he attended multiple parties during the National Night Out, and completed home inspections. The NW District continued to see a reduction in burglaries in 2013.

In 2013, there were three North Bureau Impact Teams; headed by Sgt. Robert Reynolds, Sgt. Doug Goertzen, and Sgt. Brian Phillips. The North Bureau Impact Teams consisted of three, 5 to 6 person teams responsible for targeting violent and gang related crime within the northern part of the city. Impact teams also worked closely with detectives to address crime trends involving burglaries, robberies, neighborhood drug complaints and prostitution activity along Blackstone. The three teams made numerous felony arrests during the year, focusing on violent offenders, gang members, and removing guns from the street.

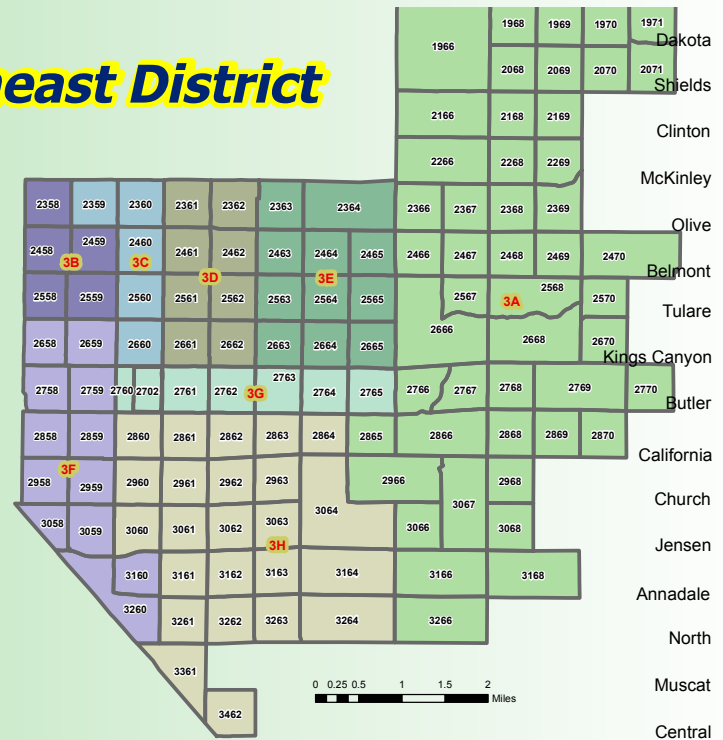
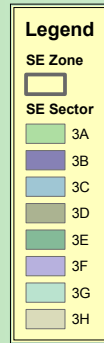
The Northwest Policing District saw the following drop in crime for 2013 vs. 2012. In fact, the NW District saw a significant reduction in EVERY crime category reported with the exception of Domestic Violence, which was up slightly with a few more incidents reported than in 2012.

Rape	-50.0%
Robbery	-15.3%
Burglary	-13.5%
Larceny	-18.4%
Auto Theft	-15.5%



Southeast Policing District

Southeast District



The Southeast Policing District encompasses an area of approximately 35 square miles, with a population of approximately 143,421 residents. According to the 2010 Census, the Southeast Policing District has two of the largest minority groups in the city of Fresno, a Hispanic population of 83,730, followed by an Asian population of 24,655.

The Southeast Policing District ended the year with significant crime reductions in both violent and property crimes. The overall total crime figure in Southeast was the lowest in the city and was further reduced from the previous year by 8.5%. Property crimes in 2013 were down 8.7% and violent crimes were reduced by 7.3%. As a result of the team efforts of Patrol officers in the district, 448 fewer Southeast residents were victims of a crime this year.

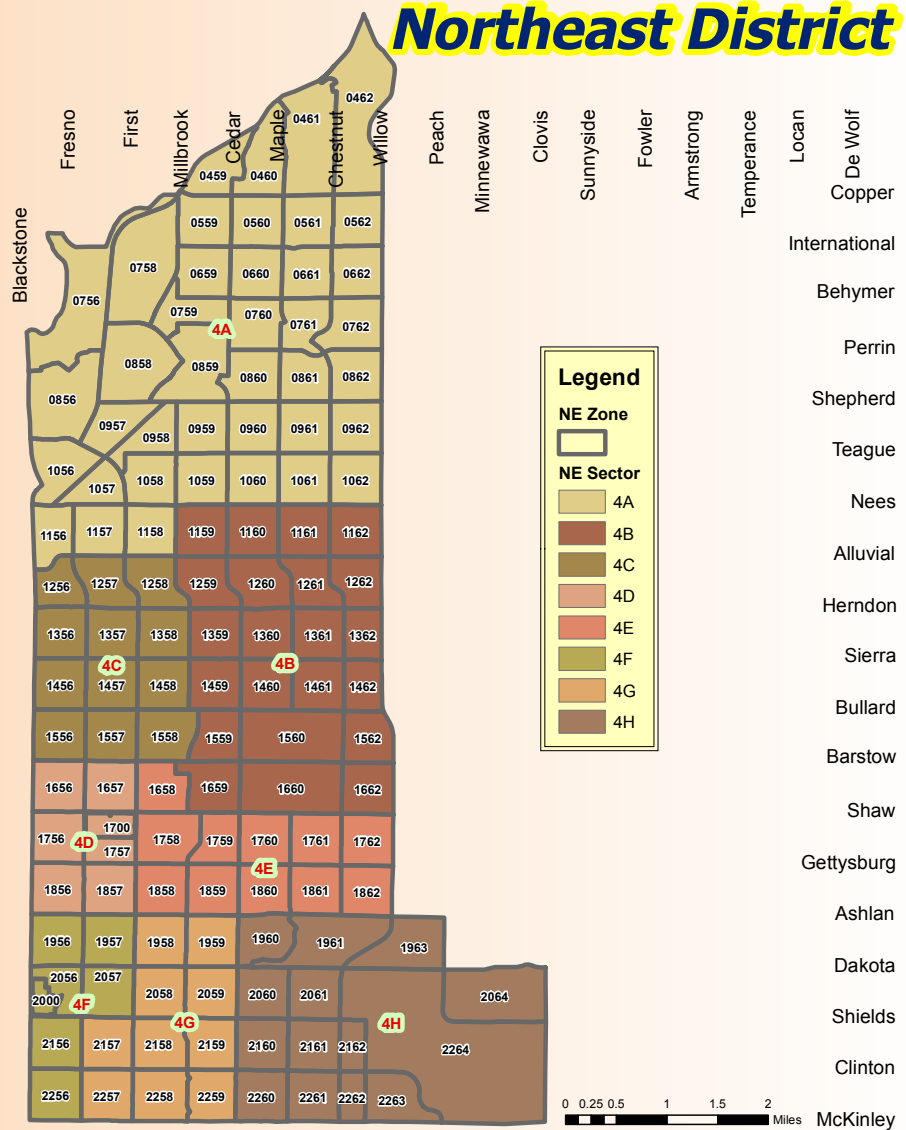
Crime reduction continues to be the main priority in Southeast Fresno with officers focusing on arrests, target hardening, accurate reporting, and crime prevention. Our commitment to crime reduction takes place at every level to include: Patrol, South Bureau Impact Teams, Problem-Oriented Policing, Investigations, and Citizens on Patrol. This year alone, Southeast officers conducted 7,520 parole and probation compliance checks, made 5,973 felony arrests, more than 1,810 misdemeanor arrests, and removed 185 guns from the streets. These efforts also included the arrests of 2,737 gang members and 1,301 parolees and probationers. In support of patrol, Southeast Investigators pursued wanted suspects while addressing crime trends and patterns. This led to hundreds of case filings and arrests. Other long-term solutions to crime in the district resulted in Problem Oriented Policing facilitating 51 evictions and referring 40 tenants to the Housing Authority for the removal of Section 8 funding.

Along with a "Southeast" attitude towards swift enforcement and problem solving, district officers also engaged in crime prevention and target hardening efforts which helped to further reduce this year's crime numbers. The Southeast District Commander Herman Silva took part in Neighborhood Watch meetings and headed up the annual fundraiser to support the efforts of the Fresno Police Neighborhood Watch Association (refer to photos). More than 150 people from Neighborhood Watch groups and throughout the district showed up to participate in the fund-raiser which included a Tri-tip dinners served by Southeast officers. This year's event was

huge success filled with fun, great food and prizes for those who won. Additional target hardening efforts in Southeast included the “If I were a Thief” campaign to help reduce vehicle burglaries, and the “Ice Bandits” awareness program which was used to remind residents that warming up unattended vehicles often leads to vehicle theft. All of these combined efforts, including the district’s reputation for attracting hard working officers and volunteers have contributed to the overall improved safety for citizens living within the Southeast Policing District.



Northeast Policing District



The Northeast district is one of the most populated and diverse districts in the city. Bounded by McKinley Avenue to the South, Friant Road to the North, Blackstone Avenue to the West and the City of Clovis to the East; the district is a thriving area for commerce. Northeast is home to some of the largest shopping centers in the city (River Park, Fashion Fair, and Manchester Center) as well as California State University Fresno and the Willow International Campus of State Center Community College District. It is home to one of the most advanced hospitals in the area, St. Agnes Medical Center, as well as one of the largest parks in the city, Woodward. On any given day the district sees a multitude of big city issues within this one area. During 2013, Northeast officers alone would handle over 103,000 calls for service.

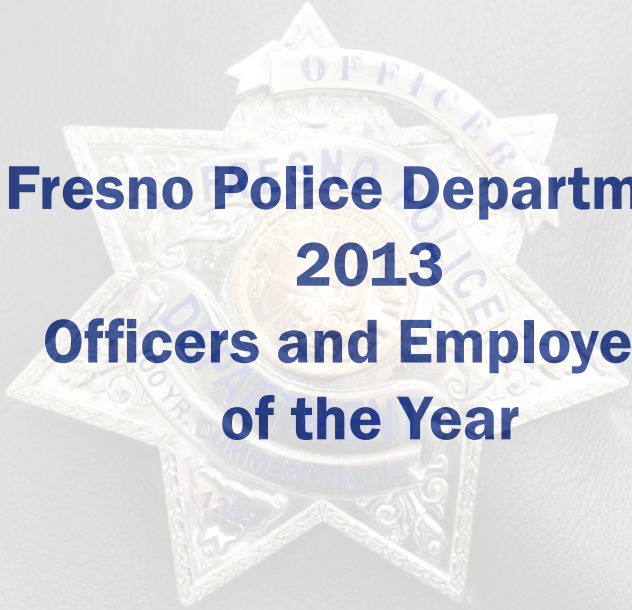
2013 was a challenging year for our district and department. As our resources shrank we had to find new ways to focus on crime in specific types as well as areas. During 2013 Northeast officers and staff worked diligently to reduce violent crime by 8.4% and property crime by 12% (Part one crime as reported in FBI UCR). Some of the biggest challenges the district faces are property crimes; such as burglary, auto theft and vehicle burglaries. Our Citizens on Patrol (COP) unit, along with our Crime Prevention Community Service Officer (CSO) and Neighborhood Watch groups contributed greatly this year to combat these specific crimes. Burglary dropped 5.8% this year, Auto Theft dropped 2.5% and vehicle burglary an amazing 42.7%, much of this due to their diligence and hard work.

The Northeast District was once again supported strongly by our Citizens on Patrol (COP) unit, who actively volunteer in day to day district operations, to include special events such as our yearly "Operation Christmas Presence". We also enjoy the active support of the Fresno Police Neighborhood Watch Association (FPNWA) who maintain over 170 active Neighborhood Watch Groups throughout the district in order to add an extra set of eyes and ears in crime prevention. Every year they sponsor the National Night Out event and this year was no exception, Northeast officers attended multiple events within our district. To learn more about Neighborhood Watch program, our Citizens Police Academy or Citizens On Patrol (COP) program please call (559) 621-LOOK (5665) for more details.

Northeast Officers also attended a block party sponsored by the Bringing Broken Neighborhoods Back to Life faith based coalition. This year the party was held at Granny's Park in the Effie/Pontiac neighborhood. Local churches, community groups and neighborhood support groups came together with this neighborhood to bring stability and hope.

In addition to Neighborhood Watch, the Building Neighborhood Capacity Program (BNCP) was active this year in the El Dorado Park neighborhood. This neighborhood bounded by Bulldog Lane, Barstow, Fourth and Sixth Streets has been working with our agency, CSUF P.D., Wesley UMC, CSUF students and neighborhood residents to revitalize their neighborhood and create a safer community. In addition to this group, the managers and property owners in the area meet on a monthly basis to work on issues that affect this community and its residents.





**Fresno Police Department
2013
Officers and Employees
of the Year**



Officer Bryan Analla
Southwest Policing District



Detective Haywood Irving
Northwest Policing District



Officer Nathan Carr
Southeast Policing District



Detective Ron Webb
Northeast Policing District



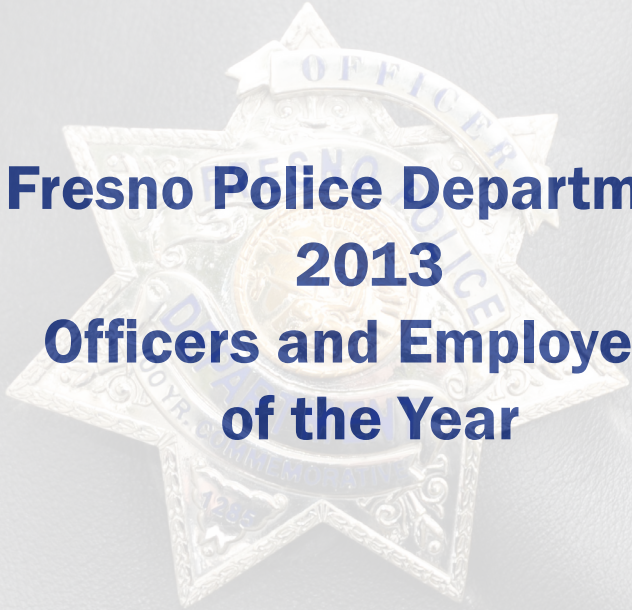
Brenda Liston
Support Division



Reserve Officer Andre
Ramos



Gwen Blomgren
Volunteers



**Fresno Police Department
2013
Officers and Employees
of the Year**



Lieutenant Tony Bennink
Traffic Enforcement Bureau



ESD III Jaime Fahlsing
Dispatch



Detective Justin Hoagland
Investigations



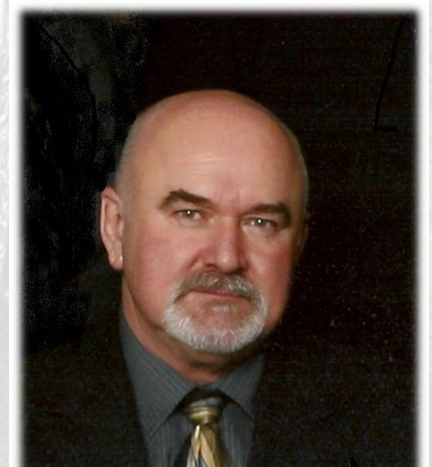
ID Tech Supv Scott West
Investigations



Jet Lim
Employee at Large



Cynthia Hanks
Admin Services Division



Ret. Officer Bill Trollinger
FPOA Volunteer



FRESNO POLICE DEPARTMENT REGIONAL TRAINING CENTER

The Fresno Police Department Regional Training Center (RTC) opened in September of 2010 and has been in operation for over three years. It is unique among California's law enforcement training centers in the varied training amenities that are all sited at one location. The RTC works with several other training stakeholders, including: the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards & Training; Fresno City College; and the Air National Guard.

Since opening, personnel representing over 150 different agencies have trained at the RTC. The RTC has placed Fresno on the map as a public safety training destination. We have a number of private partners as well who now routinely come to Fresno to provide training opportunities that we've previously had to send employees out of town to receive. The RTC has become the host for an annual regional SWAT training day that is overseen by the FBI which draws about 300 participants. The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation conducts monthly physi-

cal fitness testing of its entry level applicants for their position of correctional officer. The fitness testing involves several hundred applicants each day. Each November we host a portion of the annual fire symposium that is held in Fresno and we have fire agencies use the RTC throughout the year.

Many agencies now use the RTC as a venue where they provide their own training to their employees using their own instructors. The FBI, DEA, U.S. Probation, VA Police, Calif. Dept. of Consumer Affairs, and many others use the ranges, tactical house, EVOC, mat room, and/or classrooms in order to keep their skills sharp.

The RTC continues to refine and update training to assist personnel in meeting the complex challenges that are faced each and every day. In 2014, public safety agencies can look forward to a new Force Options System that provides realistic scenario based training and the installation of a new multi-purpose field to enhance physical fitness for both officers and K-9's.

Communications Bureau

The Fresno Police Department Communication's Center is the first point of contact for a majority of our citizen's needing public safety services. The communication's Bureau is comprised 78 full-time dispatchers, who answer both emergency and non-emergency calls 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. As the number of emergency calls increase, we continuously work to hire and train new emergency service dispatchers with five new dispatchers being hired during 2013. Members of the unit are required to attend a basic dispatcher's academy and then complete an 18 month "in-house" training program as part of the selection and training process.

Over the past few years the number of "911 Emergency" calls received by our communication's center has steadily increased. During 2013, the Fresno Police Department received 400,663 emergency "911" calls and 566,869 non-emergency calls within our dispatch center. This center is extremely busy receiving 957,532 calls (emergency and non-emergency) during the year.

Our dispatch center is a primary Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) and receives all incoming "911" calls from within the City of Fresno. Those calls requiring a response from the Fresno Fire Department or Emergency Medical Services are transferred to those agencies for dispatch. When one of our dispatchers receives a call requiring a police response, the information is entered into our Computer Aided Dispatch System (CAD). Each call is assigned a priority and then sent out to the field to be handled by officers, field cadets or policing volunteers. Dispatchers are extremely busy and must constantly balance human compassion against the need for efficiency as a phone within the dispatch center will ring every 33 seconds everyday during the entire year.



VALLEY CRIME STOPPERS

As 2013 came to a close there were many good things that happened over the course of the year. We received over 1900 tips, which is a 6% increase over the number of tips from 2012. These tips resulted in close to 700 arrests. Many of these tips came from the information provided to the public by our media partners. This past year alone our valley newspapers profiled 2000 suspects, while our television sponsors, KSEE 24 and CBS 47, profiled 156 felony suspects. Each week our radio sponsors, KMJ and MEGA 97, profiled a suspect as well. This partnership with our local media has made the public more active in providing tips and helped to make the program a success.

Over the past 20 years Valley Crime Stoppers has seen a steady increase in the number of tips provided by the public, as well as an increase in the number of arrests each year. In 1994 the program received 450 tips resulting in 54 arrests. When you compare the numbers to today you will see an increase of over four times the number of tips reported, but these tips are resulting in over twelve times the number of arrests. Since its inception Valley Crime Stoppers has received 30,798 tips which have resulted in 11,225 arrests. That is one arrest for every three tips received in. This program has helped local law enforcement to clear almost 11,000 cases, and over \$1.1 million in reward money has been authorized to be paid out.

This past year saw some notable cases cleared with the help of the public and Valley Crime Stoppers. When 12 year old Matthew Castillo was shot in December of 2012, the police were at a loss to find the shooter. Several months later when the case appeared cold and local law enforcement was at a loss for further leads, Valley Crime Stoppers issued a post card out to several zip codes in the area looking for anyone with information on the crime. Several days later a tip came in to Crime Stoppers that broke open the case and the police were able to make an arrest of the shooter. Valley Crime Stoppers has partnered with Cumulus Broadcasting to host noontime rallies on high school campuses around the valley. These rallies have been successful in having the students download the Valley Crime Stoppers application on to their cell phones so that they may report any crime that they know is taking place on campus. We also began a partnership with three of the local high schools to create a Youth Board on campus to make students more aware of the program and how they can keep their campuses safe. The students have created a public service announcement, which is run periodically each week over the school intercom, as well as a video showing the application on a student's phone and times that a student might use it when on campus.



CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF COMMUNITY & COMMITMENT

PROTECTING TIPSTERS

In June of 2013, Governor Jerry Brown signed Assembly Bill, AB-1250, into law – affirming the hard work of California State Assemblyman, Henry T Perea, who had introduced the bill to the California Assembly in February of that year.

AB-1250, in essence, shields Crime Stoppers organizations around the State from having tip sources subpoenaed by defense attorneys. Prior to the passage of the Bill, the privilege of refusing disclosure of the identity of sources was restricted to a more narrow group of individuals, including those who had given tips directly to police officers.

California now joins Texas, Louisiana, and Alabama as the only four states in the union giving codified protection to Crime Stoppers programs.

CRIME STOPPERS HELPS SOLVE SELMA HOMICIDE

On September 18, 1989 at about 5:35 PM, 30-year-old Raquel "Rachel" Lombera was found dead in her apartment in Selma. Rachel had been beaten to death and her car had been stolen. Her car was found on the following day abandoned near the downtown area of Selma.

During the investigation, no physical evidence was located at the crime scene or with the victim's vehicle. Fingerprints that were recovered at the scene as of today have not been matched to anyone.

The investigation went stale after some

time because of a lack of physical evidence and no cooperation from witnesses.

Towards the end of 2001, we began to revitalize the case. Through Fresno Area Crime Stoppers, a TV reenactment began to air and a \$1,000 reward was offered. Local print news began to run stories on the Lombera case. We obtained a \$50,000 reward from the Governor's office. A non-profit group, Citizens Against Homicide, had a billboard made publicizing the reward. The billboard was posted in Selma.

Many leads began to come in. An informant gave us information about a male subject who was from Selma but now resided in San Diego. All of the bits and pieces that we knew began to fall into place.

Our investigators traveled to San Diego and after an extensive interview, were able to obtain not only an admission but a confession as well. The suspect, John Parras, knew intricacies about the crime scene that only our investigators and a suspect would know.

GETTING STUDENTS ON-BOARD WITH STOPPING CRIME

In order to increase awareness of Valley Crime Stoppers among high school students, youth advisory boards have been placed at Clovis High, Fresno High, and San Joaquin Memorial High School. These boards explain the Crime Stoppers process to students who have had little or no experience reporting crime, assuring

them that anonymity is paramount – key to a demographic that sometimes sees reporting crime as "snitching."

In addition to reassuring anonymity, the boards explain the mechanics of the process (how to call, text, or email) and list common crimes that may occur on campus, such as bullying, tagging, participating in gang activity, carrying weapons, and the use of drugs or alcohol.

Since each of the three schools is unique unto itself, each program was tailored to the individual school, and one on-campus adult was selected from each school to become "the campus voice" of Crime Stoppers. Each adult representative recorded a Crime Stoppers PSA that can be played on the school intercom whenever needed and helped to create a video demonstrating the proper way to report crime. By using local students, teachers, and mascots, the student body of each school was better able to relate and take ownership of the program.

This spring will see the introduction of the program to the feeder middle schools. The high school students will present their videos to the middle school students, talking about Crime Stoppers and the importance of the safe resource that allows them to report tagging, bullying, and other crimes without fear of retribution. ■



**VALLEY
CRIME
STOPPERS**
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20 YEARS OF PUTTING CRIMINALS BEHIND BARS



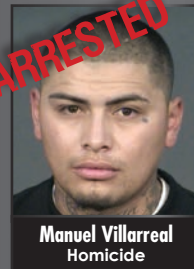
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Home Invasion
Robbery



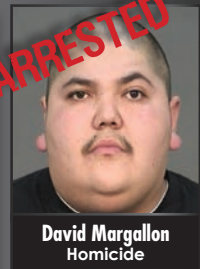
Christopher Escobedo
Home Invasion
Robbery

When a string of home invasion robberies rocked Fresno County, KSEE 24 aired a Crime Stoppers news story. In the report, they revealed that several suspects were possibly driving white SUV's with Arizona plates. One viewer saw a vehicle matching the description in a Fresno gas station and immediately called the tip line. Fresno County Sheriff's detectives were able to solve the cases, arresting Esteven Landeros, Christopher Escobedo and 8 other Arizona gang members as a direct result of the Crime Stoppers tip.

Bulldog gang members Manuel Villarreal & David Margallon stabbed to death Victim Marcus Noden who was attending a party in Kerman, California. A tip to Crime Stoppers provided the information that helped Detectives solve the murder and arrest both suspects for homicide.

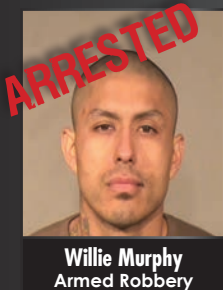


Manuel Villarreal
Homicide



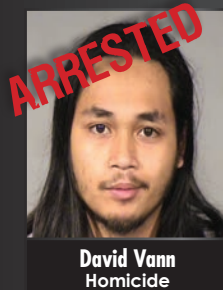
David Margallon
Homicide

UNDER ARREST & BEHIND BARS IN 2013



Willie Murphy
Armed Robbery

Willie Murphy was responsible for seven business robberies. Surveillance video and photos were shown on KSEE 24 and CBS 47. A Crime Stoppers tip named Murphy as the suspect and a photo line-up was set-up for all seven businesses. A second tip revealed Murphy's location and Fresno PD was able to arrest Murphy.



David Vann
Homicide

Matthew Castillo was shot and killed in a residence drive-by shooting. A Crime Stoppers tip broke the case and revealed David Vann as the shooter. Vann was arrested for homicide.



498-STOP (7867)
WWW.VALLEYCRIMESTOPPERS.ORG

2013 TOTALS

ARRESTS

Narcotics Violations	173
Parole Violations	89
Weapons Violations	67
Burglary	66
Auto Theft	57
Fraud	39
Possession of Stolen Property	19
ADW/ Shooting	49
Grand Theft	29
Spousal Abuse	33
Robbery	35
Homicide	6
Felony Vandalism	6
Felony Hit & Run	4
Felony DUI	2
Gambling	2
Rape	2
Prostitution	2
Arson	1

CRIME TIPS

Code Numbers Issued	1935
Wanted Persons	748
Narcotics	422
Robbery	117
Auto Theft	94
Burglary	84
Parole	78
ADW/Shooting	74
Homicide	70
Weapons Violations	63
Fraud	62
Grand Theft	34
Spousal Abuse	27
Prostitution	26
Stolen Property	19
Child Abuse	11
Hit & Run	10
Felony Vandalism	7

ARRESTS RESULTING FROM MEDIA PARTNERS

KSEE 24/CBS 47	107
Crime Stoppers Web Tips	94
The Fresno Bee	81
Vida En El Valle	71
Crime Stoppers School Tips	58
Reedley Exponit	48
Kerman News	44
Clovis Roundup	39
Madera Tribune	37
Selma Enterprise	35
Peak Broadcasting	31
Nickel Classifieds	17
Auberry Mountain Press	3

FELONY SUSPECTS PROFILED IN LOCAL MEDIA

- 2,000** wanted suspects profiled in valley newspapers
- 156** felony suspects profiled on KSEE 24 & CBS 47
- 156** success stories profiled on KSEE 24 & CBS 47
- 52** felony suspects profiled on KMJ
- 54** felony suspects profiled on MEGA 97

STATS

Tips	1, 935
Arrest	692
Property Recovered	\$368,000
Narcotics Recovered	\$376, 000
Guns Recovered	52



THE FRESNO POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC BUREAU



“Driven for Safety”

The Fresno Police Department’s decade long campaign dedicated to traffic safety has made a tremendous difference in our community. Because of these efforts, many citizens in our city will never have to experience the pain and suffering caused by a traffic collision.

In 2013, the City of Fresno saw a reduction in overall collisions, which decreased by 2% from 2012. This represents the fewest collisions in the past 12 years. The overall reductions are staggering in comparison to our traffic collision rates from the inception of our traffic program in 2002. Since 2002, injury collisions are down 39% and total collisions are down 43%. Our efforts to reduce pedestrian fatalities from last year’s high of 16 are showing some positive results. While fatalities did increase by two, from 28 to 30, this increase was largely related to an increase in vehicle vs bicycle collisions. Sadly, none of these bicyclists were wearing a helmet and all of them were under the influence of either alcohol or drugs.

In 2013, our department investigated 30 fatalities, a 42% reduction from 2002. While we are pleased with this significant reduction in pedestrian deaths, pedestrian fatalities still constitute approximately 1/3 of our fatalities and it continues to be an emphasis of our enforcement efforts. Of the 30 fatalities in 2013, there were a total of 11 pedestrian deaths, which is a 31% reduction from 2012. The increase in pedestrian fatalities was identified in 2010, at which time we began to aggressively target these violations. In 2013, we conducted 12 pedestrian operations throughout the city, targeting pedestrian violations during both daytime and nighttime hours. When we evaluated the pedestrian deaths in 2013, we discovered that seven of the 11 pedestrians, 64%, were intoxicated. Two of these had a blood alcohol level in excess of .35%, which is considered to be associated with alcohol poisoning. 72% of the deceased pedestrians were at fault in the collision, as they occupied a portion of the roadway not designed

for pedestrian travel. All of the pedestrians that were found to be at fault, 72%, in these collisions were found to be on the roadway, during the hours of darkness, and none of the pedestrians were wearing reflective clothing that would have increased their visibility. Fortunately, none of the pedestrians killed in 2013 were children.

Police departments cannot arrest their way out of their communities' impaired driving problems, but an aggressive DUI enforcement and education program with a substantial "buy in" can certainly make our roads safer. It is the philosophy of the Fresno Police Department that in order to reduce incidents of impaired driving, we have to change behavior and encourage people to make the right decisions. Social change requires time and a sustained effort. We believe that combining both education and an unwavering enforcement effort to hold people accountable for their actions is effective in reaching our goal for social change.

If someone were to shoot a gun into a crowded stadium, the entire nation would be outraged. If that bullet were to strike and kill someone, we would demand justice. If this was to occur every day, we could not allocate enough resources to prevent it. And yet, every day someone gets behind the wheel of a 4000 pound bullet, while impaired, and drives down our crowded streets. All too often, this bullet strikes its victim and sadly, often kills them. Where is the outrage in this incident? Where is the demand for justice? Where is the allocation of resources?

For the past decade Chief Dyer's leadership, as well as the men and women of the Fresno Police Department have clearly demonstrated their outrage, their allocation of resources, and their demand for justice through the arrests of 33,794 impaired drivers.

The simple concept of increasing DUI arrests has led to a reduction in impaired driving collisions. Last year, our DUI enforcement index was an impressive 11.6%. This is two times better than NHTSA's guidelines of 25% for being a proactive agency. Of our total 2,693 DUI arrests in 2013, only 315 stemmed from an arrest at a DUI collision.



The Fresno Police Department's Traffic Bureau continues the relentless pursuit of DUI drivers in our city. Through a variety of DUI education and enforcement programs designed to eradicate DUI drivers from our streets, the Fresno Police Department made 2,693 DUI arrests last year. This has resulted in a 10% reduction in DUI collisions in our city from 2012.

Traffic safety is a compilation of numerous separate efforts reflected in our statistics. The sheer volume is impressive. We issued 52,257 traffic citations in 2013. Of those 12,875 were for speeding and 3,861 were for occupant protection violations. We cited 7,120 unlicensed drivers, 3,876 suspended drivers, and 8,403 distracted drivers.

An effective traffic safety program also has impact on crime reduction. Traffic officers arrested 423 felony suspects and seized 26 guns this year. As a result, the Traffic Bureau is a major part of most large scale crime suppression operations in the city.

What is truly amazing is that in a city of over half a million people, only five of our fatalities in 2013 were attributed to the traditional vehicle versus vehicle collision. This number, which remains unchanged from last year, is the lowest number of vehicle versus vehicle fatalities ever recorded in the history of the Fresno Police Department. The significance regarding this fact is that a citizen within our community who legally drives a car, wears their seatbelt, and obeys traffic laws is immensely safer than ever before.

Study after study by the California Office of Traffic Safety has concluded that Fresno remains the safest large city in California in which to drive. In 2013, the Fresno Police Department's traffic safety program received recognition by Chiefs' associations at both the state and national levels.

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total Collisions	4,822	4,314	4,136	3,838	3,679	3,573	3,405	2,930	2,951	2,851	2,801	2,743
Injury Collisions	1,933	1,757	1,617	1,548	1,363	1,336	1,169	1,047	1,206	1,108	1,199	1,175
Fatalities	52	46	30	42	37	27	30	25	27	30	28	30
DUI Collisions	484	369	423	499	511	510	549	457	463	404	350	314
Injury DUI Collisions	151	126	117	125	140	138	114	79	110	103	80	83
Fatal DUI Collisions	7	7	11	16	12	9	8	5	6	6	10	6
DUI Arrests	2,067	2,186	2,525	2,670	3,015	3,211	3,278	3,268	2,740	2,878	3,263	2,693



PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS

PSN is a collaborative effort by the United States Attorney's Office, ATF, HSI, FPD, Fresno County District Attorney's Office, U.S. Marshals Service, Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), and other state and federal agencies. PSN's goal is to reduce illegal gun and gang violence. The agencies involved in PSN communicate on a daily basis regarding illegal gun and gang cases, conduct investigations targeting local gangs and illegal gun crimes, and seek maximum impact from prosecution.



Suspects federally indicted are sent around the country to serve their time, away from family and friends. Suspects must serve at least 85% of their time.

2013 PSN Statistics

- FPD Ceasefire/PSN Unit personnel evaluated approximately 787 FPD gun/gang cases in 2013
- Approximately 214 cases were reviewed by the multi-agency PSN Task Force
- 32 suspects were federally indicted



CEASEFIRE

Fresno CeaseFire is a comprehensive and community-wide violent crime reduction strategy. The goal of Fresno CeaseFire is a long-term and sustainable reduction of violent crime in our community. Fresno CeaseFire brings together criminal justice, government, community, and faith based organizations. Strategies similar to Fresno CeaseFire have been used in other cities

across the country and in California to successfully reduce gang and youth violence. Fresno CeaseFire focuses on both individual gang members and the gangs as a whole; the primary strategy employed is Call-Ins, in which approximately 15-40 gang member or associates attend with their Families.

2013 Call-In Statistics:

- 152-Packets were completed and letters sent out for participants to attend Call-Ins
- 88-Participants attended Call-Ins
- o 24-Parole
- o 19- PRCS

- o 45- Probation
- 66 of the 85 completed the initial in-take form at the call-in
- Gang members/associates from numerous gangs attended Call-Ins, including:
- o Bond Street
- o Calwa Varrío Locos
- o Chankla
- o College Street
- o Eastside Fresno
- o Farmerside
- o McKenzie Street
- o North side Fresno
- o Parkside Fresno
- o Pleasant Street
- o Sunset
- o Unknown Set Bulldogs
- o Varrío Orange Cove Rifa
- o Varrío Pinedale Norte
- o 107 Hoover Crip
- o Country Boys
- o Muhammads
- o West side Strother Boys
- o Villa Posse
- o Weller Street
- o Young Black Soldiers
- o 18 Street Los Angeles
- o Clanton MS
- o Las Cadenas Azule
- o Playboy Sureño
- o Sureño
- o Varrío 6th Street
- o Varrío Sur Trece
- o Ventura Sur



STREET TERRORISM ENFORCEMENT & PROTECTION

Ceasefire/PSN Unit created the STEP form in conjunction with the D.A.'s Office. Serving gang members with STEP Act assists with prosecutions in violation of penal code 186.22 and other gang-related crimes

- 65- Total Served in 2013 by various units/personnel:
- o 10- Black
- o 50- Hispanic
- o 5- SE Asian

GANG TIP LINE (621-GANG)

Unit personnel monitor the Gang Tip Line. Personnel either follow-up directly or forward the tip to the appropriate unit/agency. Tips received included locations of wanted gang members, gang activity at numerous locations, gang members in possession of guns, and gang members selling drugs.

STOP GANG VIOLENCE

ONE CALL CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

**GANG TIP-LINE
621-GANG (4264)**

MAKE OUR COMMUNITY SAFER

YOU CAN BE ANONYMOUS

CALL WITH ANY INFORMATION ON GANG ACTIVITY, GANG HOUSES, OR WHERE GANG MEMBERS KEEP ILLEGAL GUNS

FRESNO CEASEFIRE

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FRESNO POLICE DEPARTMENT

E-TRACE

Ceasefire/PSN personnel oversee the Department's participation in the ATF E-Trace program, in which information from recovered firearms are submitted to the ATF National Tracing Center (NTC).

GUN CRIME UNIT



The Gun Crime Unit was created in January/2012 to provide immediate follow-up on gun possession cases. The Gun Crime Detective was assigned to the Street Violence Section. The SVS GCU Detective with support from the Felony Assault Detectives, SVS Tac Team, the Violent Crime Impact Team and the gang task force Magec, focused on gang members who were convicted felons and who were in possession of firearms. In the past two years, the Unit produced the following: 964 cases reviewed, 140 cases worked, 116 search warrants authored, 178 gang houses entered from search warrants, 31 cases rehabbed from a NCF status, 7 cases taken by United States Attorney's Office and 65 firearms recovered. The Gun Crime Unit and SVS spearheaded dozens of gang operations throughout 2013. Since 2012, the Gun Crime Unit has been an integral part of the Department's strategies in combating violent crime.

MAYOR'S GANG PREVENTION INITIATIVE

MGPI was established in fiscal year 2006-2007 to create an environment where gang members and "wanna-be" gang members can obtain educational services, job skills and social skills to achieve success such as: Night Walks - faith based organizations conduct community outreach in specified parts of the city with high concentration of gang incidents; Ceasefire - The most active, influential gang members are required to attend a call-in meeting at a partner church. A panel of various local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies and community members give message of stopping the violence followed by lunch and service provider's resource assistance; Tattoo Removal Program - treatment is offered to MGPI enrolled participants demonstrating a sincere commitment to change their life, through volunteer community service, removal of visible gang related tattoos which may inhibit their ability to seek employment. In 2013 over 3400 sq. inches of tattoos were removed from 22 participants who performed 1648 hours of community service to local non-profit and/or faith based organizations.

In 2013, MGPI received 63 inquires (participants who called in asking about services). Of those, 57 met program criteria, 11 assessment reports were completed by the Licensed Clinical Social Worker contractor and 46 were pre-placements (already involved in a community related program and assessed by an outside agency). MGPI currently has agreements with 25 community service providers who provide services such as: mentoring, education, substance abuse, job placement, anger management, tutoring, tattoo removal, medical care, clothing, provide shelter and youth activity.



Tattoo Removal Program

"Erase the past and start your future!"

The Mayor's Gang Prevention Initiative (MGPI) Tattoo Removal Program is designed to help people become more employable by removing visible tattoos.

Program Criteria:

1. Must be enrolled in MGPI
2. Must live in the City of Fresno
3. Must have former gang affiliation
4. Must not have pending case, warrant or other disqualifying convictions
5. Must perform 20 volunteer service hours per month at a pre-approved location for the duration of laser treatment



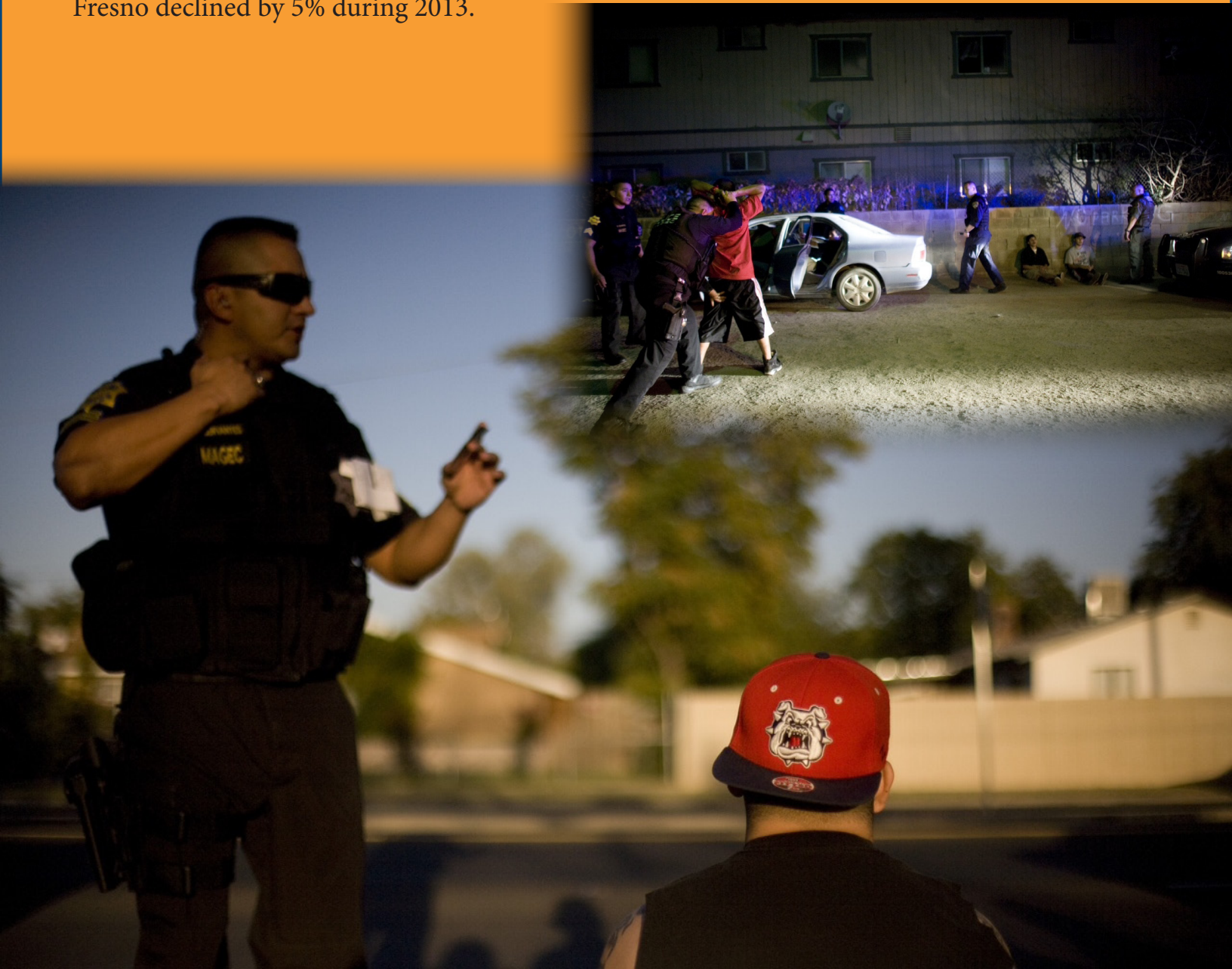
Before **After**

For more information on the Tattoo Removal Program, please call (559) 621-2353.

Funded in part by City of Fresno, Board of State and Community Corrections and Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission

MULTI-AGENCY GANG ENFORCEMENT CONSORTIUM

The Multi-Agency Gang Enforcement Consortium (M.A.G.E.C.) Team is comprised of personnel from a variety of local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, including Homeland Security, the Fresno County District Attorney's Office, the Fresno Sheriff's Office, the California Highway Patrol, and the Fresno Police Department. During 2013, MAGEC conducted gang sweeps in both the rural and metropolitan areas of Fresno, and policed several special events to ensure a safe environment free of gang violence. MAGEC personnel successfully deployed at the Fresno Fair, the Hmong New Year, on Christmas Tree Lane, and at the Caruthers Fair. The Metropolitan Investigation and Tactical Teams are specifically responsible for gang enforcement within the City of Fresno, and focused on street level investigations and suppression in 2013. Felony arrests by Metro MAGEC teams increased six-fold this year, from 189 felony arrests in 2012, to 1,101 felony arrests in 2013. MAGEC Metro also removed 115 illegal firearms from Fresno streets. Detectives completed 132 gang background packages on defendants, allowing MAGEC prosecutors to pursue additional gang charges and/or severe sentencing enhancements designed to keep gang members behind bars for years. Gang shootings in the City of Fresno declined by 5% during 2013.



FRESNO POLICE DEPARTMENT
K-9 UNIT





The K9 Unit was established in 1993 and originally consisted of eight officers and their newly selected K9 partners. Today, the team consists of 13 officers and K9s, a number that still allows the team to provide it's much needed 24/7 coverage. Each K9 is trained to meet specific patrol needs, including tracking, evidence location, officer protection and suspect apprehension. Seven of the 13 K9 teams are cross trained in narcotics detection while another three K9 teams are cross trained in explosive detection.

K9 Officers in our Department are not assigned to a specific Patrol District or beat in order to ensure the availability of their specialized resource. And the K9 Officers are utilized every day, assisting patrol and other Department specialized units with warrant arrests, crimes in progress, building searches, suspect tracking, evidence location, high-risk vehicle stops and narcotic searches. In 2013, members of the Unit were directly involved in the arrest of 489 suspects (through tracking, placating, etc), responded to 1,086 alarm calls, performed 94 article searches and located 10 firearms used in crimes.

In 2013, the K9 Unit certified six of our dogs in narcotic detection. The K9s were trained to detect the odors of methamphetamine, cocaine, opium, heroin and marijuana. Since their certification, the narcotic K9s have been requested

to conduct 149 searches, with 110 being vehicles and 39 being residential/building/etc. By the end of 2013, the narcotic K9s had been involved in the seizure of over \$270,000, monies that were used specifically for drug trafficking.

Response to K9 requests for service is our top priority, however members of the team do find the time to attending K9 demonstrations and community "meet and greets". The Unit has tremendous community support and contributes this to our willingness to interact with the public. On a near weekly basis, members of the Unit have found themselves talking to a wide variety of community members in all types of venues including school children in Kindergarten to career fairs on Fresno State University's campus, service clubs, Farmer's Market and the Big Fresno Fair.

To augment training with new challenges throughout the year, members of the unit are encouraged to participate in regional K9 trials. Per-

forming in front of crowds and allied agency peers truly challenges the Officer to step up and put their best foot forward. Most Officers participate in one to two trials each year. In 2013, members of the Unit participated in several trials, including the following:

- 28th Annual Sierra K9 Trials in Visalia
 - o “Top Dog” – Officer Tushnet & K9 Kubo
 - o Agitator’s Choice Award – Officer Sturgeon & K9 Jack
- 2013 Kingsburg K9 Trials
 - o “Top Dog” – Officer Sturgeon & K9 Jack
 - o 1st Place, Open Division – Officer Young & K9 Flurk
 - o 1st Place, Novice Division – Officer Freer and K9 Cash
 - o “Top Team” – Officer Young/K9 Flurk & Officer Sturgeon/K9 Jack

In 2013, the K9 Unit had several new faces added. Officer Marc Anderson received K9 Diesel as his new partner after his previous partner, K9 Nero, was retired from service. K9 Diesel is a Belgian Malinois that was also cross trained in explosive detection. The Unit also added a new member, Officer Kris Keener. His K9 partner is K9 Faris, a Belgian Malinois.

We, the officers of the Fresno Police Department’s K9 Unit truly enjoy the work we do. We view this assignment as the privilege it really is, and never taking it or our K9 partners for granted.

*“My goal in life is to be as good of a person my dog already thinks I am.”
~Author Unknown*





SKYWATCH - Air Support Unit

In 2013, the Fresno Police Department's Air Support Unit, Skywatch, began to bounce back from massive reductions in both budget and personnel due to the recession. The addition of trained personnel and an increase in asset forfeiture funds helped improve Skywatch's reliability in assisting officers on the ground. Skywatch flew 1,069 patrol hours and responded to 2,582 incidents resulting in 156 arrests where suspects would have eluded capture had "Air-1" not been overhead. An increase in "LoJack" stolen car "hits" from the air resulted in recovering over \$200,000 in stolen vehicles.

One call in particular occurred in May 2013 and reveals just a small part of why the Fresno Police Department's "Patrol car in the sky" is so invaluable:

On Thursday, May 16, 2013, at 6:29 p.m., U.S. Marshals arrived at a house in central Fresno in an attempt to contact a convicted bank robber who was on federal parole. Upon

seeing the marshals, the suspect ran to his car and fled. The marshals pursued the suspect and called for Fresno Police officers to assist them. Skywatch aircrew J. Logue and K. Schneider were refueling the aircraft when they heard the chase being broadcasted. Driving at high speeds, the suspect collided with another vehicle near Maple and Dakota but continued to flee until his car finally broke down near the Clovis Costco at Ashlan and Peach. Arriving officers saw the suspect run from his car to a nearby Jiffy Lube where he commandeered a car that was being serviced by employees of the business. The suspect quickly drove the now-stolen car east on Ashlan without even taking the time to put the hood down.

The Skywatch Aircrew was airborne shortly thereafter, but officers had lost the reckless suspect near Temperance and Jensen Avenues. The aircrew quickly flew into the area and soon spotted the suspect still driving at

a high speed more than 2 miles from where he was last seen by officers. Skywatch caught up to the suspect as he drove east on Central Avenue, not being pursued yet blowing through stop signs. The aircrew broadcasted the suspect's location to Fresno PD, the Fresno Sheriff's Office, and the CHP as he fled past the city limits of Kingsburg. The suspect made it to an intersection south of Dinuba where he ran a stop sign and collided with a water truck, disabling his stolen car.

The suspect exited the wrecked car and tried to flag down passing vehicles. Several citizens who saw the accident began to stop, seemingly to help him. Fearing he was about to carjack one of the good Samaritans, the aircrew used the PA system to order everybody

back into their vehicles and drive away telling them that this subject was trying to get away from the police. All passersby complied and continued driving. Frustrated that he now had no means of escape, the suspect made an obscene gesture to the aircrew and ran into a vineyard. At that time, officers from the Fresno Police Department, California Highway Patrol, and Tulare County Sheriff's Department arrived and were led to the hiding suspect by the aircrew. The suspect was subsequently taken into custody and booked into the Fresno County Jail for numerous felony charges.

Skywatch Statistics

	2010	2011	2012	2013
Incidents	2,545	1,510	1,782	2,582
Arrests	388	178	120	156
Flight Hours	1,279	847	777	1,069
First on Scene	58%	60%	62%	62%
Average Response Time	36 sec	31 sec	35 sec	26 sec
Units Cancelled	164	126	166	218
Stolen / Recovered Property	\$87,000	\$21,200	\$35,300	\$204,000
Pursuits	28	18	20	27



Fresno Police Department's Volunteer Program



Volunteer Service unit includes Citizens on Patrol (COPS), Volunteers in Policing (VIPS), college interns, Crime Prevention Community Service Officers, Neighborhood Watch, and in 2013 expanded to include the Reserve Officer Unit. CSO's in the Crime Prevention Unit, attempt to call each residential burglary victim for follow-up. They also participate in events such as Christmas Presence. This year a standardized Neighborhood Watch training program was completed. This will aid in continual training of our valuable neighbor watch groups.

The Fresno Police Department teamed up with Nextdoor.com. Nextdoor is a private social network for neighborhoods. Neighborhoods establish and self-manage their own "Nextdoor" neighborhoods. The Fresno Police Department is be able to post important information such as crime alerts. Police Department's Crime Prevention personnel are using this valuable tool to connect the neighborhoods as they form Neighborhood Watch groups.

Over the past 3 years the number of COPS has stayed steady at about 70 volunteers. In an effort to increase those numbers, one radio PSA and two TV PSA were also completed, one in English and one in Spanish. The results were overwhelming. Over 130 individuals came forward wanting to be a COP.

COPS are required to volunteer a minimum of 16 hours, but most go far beyond the minimum, volunteering 60-80 hours per month. Not only do they patrol the city streets, but they participate in special event year around, including parades, and DUI check points. During the past year several parking lots experienced an increase in vehicle thefts and vehicle burglaries. COPS were assigned to these areas and thefts dropped 60-70%.



Accountability and Compliance Section

The Accountability and Compliance Section (ACS) includes an officer and sergeant primarily responsible for maintaining CALEA accreditation and an officer and a sergeant primarily responsible for Policy and Procedure issues.



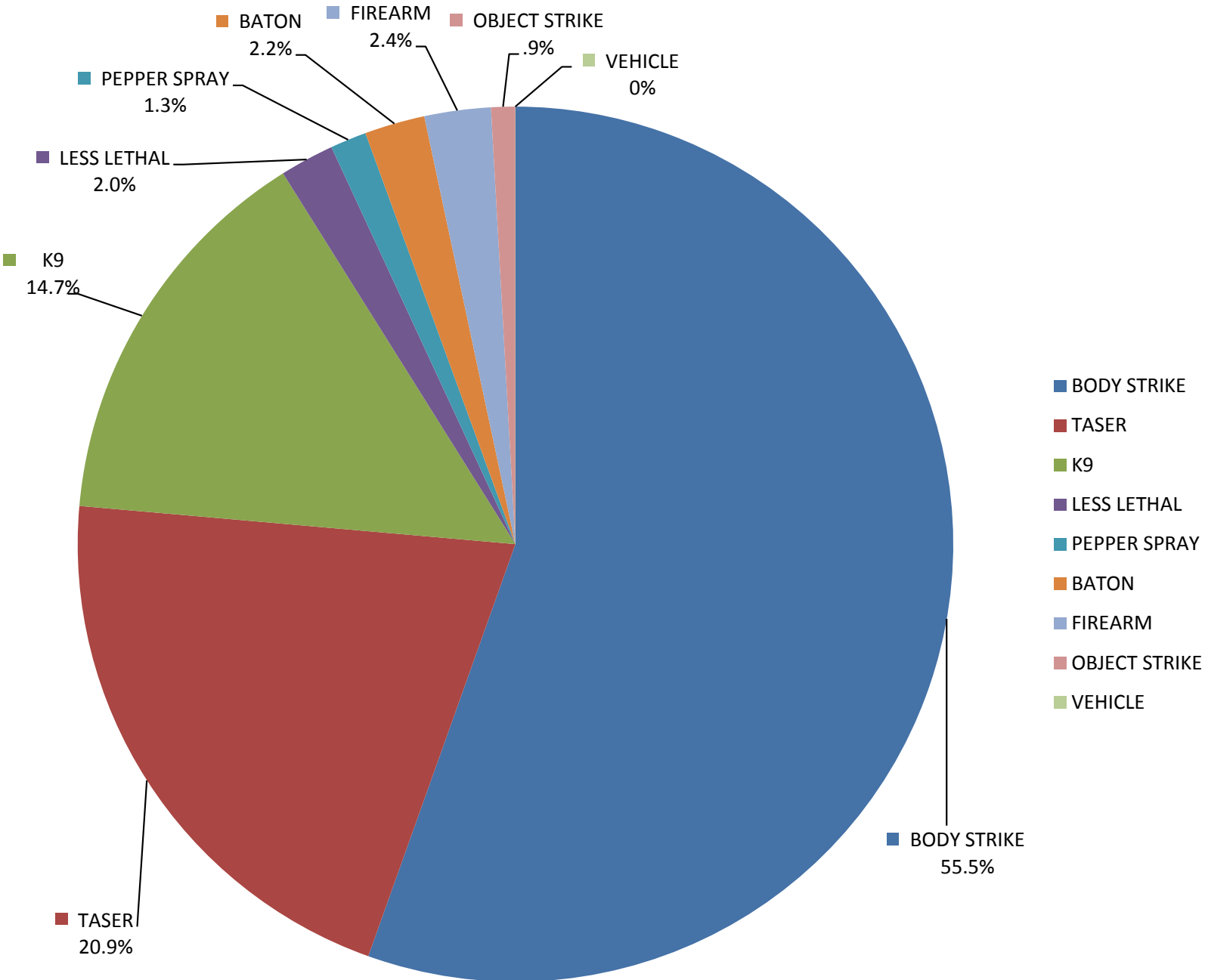
CALEA stands for Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies and involves proving that we meet national best practice standards for law enforcement. CALEA must perform an on-site inspection of the Department every three years in order for us to maintain accreditation. During 2013, CALEA personnel were busy preparing for the next CALEA on-site inspection scheduled for April 2014. Their preparation includes building electronic files that prove the Department's compliance with over 400 CALEA best practice standards.

During 2013, Policy and Procedure personnel modified approximately 45 different Department policies and procedures. Each modification required research and collaboration with a number of Department staff members in order to produce a final product. In addition, 10 Roll Call Training Bulletins (RCTB's) were published during 2013. Other duties include administration of Power DMS, maintenance of approximately 40 operations manuals and tracking of Department cell-phones.



In addition to their primary duties, members of the ACS are assigned to conduct audits and inspections, often at the direction of Chief Dyer. ACS personnel are responsible for producing quarterly and annual Reportable Response to Resistance Reports and analyzing use of force data. In 2013, ACS personnel conducted random audits of approximately 10% of the personnel assigned to patrol. Each patrol audit involves the examination of one shift performed by an officer randomly selected from the patrol matrix. Other audit related projects included the Taser Synch project, radio research project and special equipment audit.

2013 REPORTABLE RESPONSE TO RESISTANCE



Fresno Police Officers responded to 396,555 calls for service in 2013, but only used reportable force on 380 occasions. This equates to officers using reportable force during less than one-tenth of one percent (.096%) of all calls for service responded to in 2013. Reportable force is defined as:

1. Members (including canines) use force and a person is injured, has expressed a complaint of pain, or has been rendered unconscious;
2. Members strike a person with a body part (e.g., fist, foot, elbow, etc.) or any object (e.g., flashlight, clipboard, etc.); or
3. Members use (not merely display) a Department issued weapon (e.g., baton, chemical agent, Taser, less-lethal, shotgun, firearm, etc.).