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Citizens of Montgomery County,

Welcome to the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office 2020 Year in Review. My hope is that by sharing our year together, we can all appreciate the forward momentum of this office as we reflect upon this historic time for law enforcement.

I share the pride in taking on challenges and opportunities while providing a level of public safety that is second to none. Our staff of 486 employees are responsible for protecting the citizens of Montgomery County.

In 2020, Montgomery County had a challenging year. I hope that the annual report will assist us in sharing our story with you, the people we serve.

The Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office reaffirms our pledge of excellence and professionalism to our citizens. We look forward to the continued support of the community in the fight against crime.

Respectfully,

Rob Streck
Command Staff

Rob Streck
Sheriff

Daryl Wilson
Chief Deputy

Matt Haines
Major

Jeremy Ray
Major

Bart Kincaid
IT Director

Julie Droessler
Personnel Director

Andy Flagg
Captain

Dave Parin
Captain

Mike Brem
Captain

Jay Wheeler
Captain

Greg Stephens
Captain

Julie Stephens
Captain

Brad Daugherty
Captain

Teresa Russell
Director of Criminal Justice Outreach
Structure of the Sheriff’s Office

The Sheriff of Montgomery County has directly under his authority all of the divisions and their various components which make up the department as a whole. All employees of the Sheriff’s Office work under his authority. The commanders in charge of the divisions and what they encompass are Majors who report directly to the Chief Deputy. The Chief Deputy in turn reports directly to the Sheriff.

The divisions of the Sheriff’s Office are the Support Services/Administrative Services, Support Services/Community Services, and Support Services/General Services, Jail Division. In order to perform the duties and the tasks that are required, these may be broken down even further. This may include sections, watches or even units.

The following chart is an overall view of the department:
Code of Ethics

As a Law Enforcement employee, my fundamental duty is to serve mankind; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional right of all men to liberty, equality, and justice.

I will keep my private life unsoiled as an example to all; maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn, or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulation of my Division. Whatever I see or hear of confidential nature or that is confided in me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, animosities, or friendship to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and relentless prosecutions of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as the symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held as long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession.

Law Enforcement.
History of the Office of Sheriff

The oldest position in law enforcement is the Office of Sheriff. The roots of this job go back over 1,000 years to medieval England. As that country was starting to create an early form of government, the land was divided into shires, which we call a county. Originally the people of the shire chose one of their own to be their guardian and protector called a gerefa, a term later changed to the title of reeve. The words shire and reeve in time combined to become Sheriff. This duty was eventually appointed by the king to someone of his choosing.

In America, William Stone was the first Sheriff to be appointed and sworn into office in 1634. The first colonies had been firmly established and functioning on their own. A shire form of government was set up to replace the military command that had been governing.

A 1651 Virginia proclamation required that each county choose a Sheriff. The commissioners of Northampton County asked the people to elect their Sheriff which had not been done since medieval England. William Waters was elected and although it was not realized at that time, a precedence was set in motion that would be repeated in the future. Today all Sheriff’s, with just the exception of 12, are the only head of a law enforcement agency which is elected and answers directly to the voters.

Before Ohio became a state, the position of Sheriff was appointed by the Governor. In 1788, Ebenezer Sproat was the first to be given that job in Washington County, which at that time covered all of eastern Ohio from Lake Erie to the Ohio River. In 1802, the Ohio Constitution was drafted and the Sheriff was the first of three offices determined to be selected by an election. Ohio became a state in 1803 and William Skinner was the first man to be elected for a Sheriff’s position which had a two-year term limit. That term limit was increased to four-years in 1936.

Ohio has 88 counties and the Sheriff is the chief law enforcement officer for each of those counties. His jurisdiction includes all municipalities, villages and townships within his county. Ohio law requires the Sheriff to preserve the public peace, provide protection to the unincorporated area of the county, serve court paperwork, operate and manage the jail, provide extradition services and transport prisoners.

As an elected official, the Sheriff receives his authority from the State of Ohio Constitution and the Ohio Revised Code. In this oath, he pledges to uphold the duties of the office and the responsibilities that are part of the job. As part of his authority under the Ohio Revised Code, he may appoint deputies.

Deputy sheriffs are sworn personnel who have enforcement powers under the authority of the Sheriff of Montgomery County. These individuals are required to also take an oath of office in which they swear to enforce the law and uphold the Constitution of the United States as well as the Constitution of the State of Ohio. Deputies work in all sections of the department and can be promoted in their careers to the ranks of sergeant, captain, major or chief deputy.

The Sheriff’s Office is also comprised of civilian personnel who work in the positions of clerk typists, accreditation clerk, community resource officer, call evaluators, dispatchers, bookkeepers, correction officers, security officers, recreation officers, radio technicians, vehicle maintenance officer, program director as well as secretaries. They are assigned to work in all sections of the department.
# Past Sheriffs of Montgomery County 1803 to Present

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<td>Deputy Scott Morgan</td>
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<td>Deputy Joseph Solomon</td>
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2020 Employees Promoted to Rank of Deputy

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Retirements in 2020

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<td>Deputy L David Ridgeway</td>
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<td>Sergeant Dennis Krust</td>
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<td>7/24/2020</td>
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<td>Corrections Officer Norma McDuffie</td>
<td>24 years</td>
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<td>Deputy Jayme Horton</td>
<td>25 years</td>
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<td>Detective Chris Plummer</td>
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<td>Volunteer of the Year</td>
<td>Miami Valley Pet Therapy Association</td>
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2020 Employee and Deputy Monthly Awards

- **January:**
  - Employee: Ian Marshall
  - Deputy: Craig Stone | Andrew McCoy

- **February:**
  - Employee: Willie Templeton
  - Deputy: No Nomination

- **March:**
  - Employee: Jonathan Tapparo
  - Deputy: Josh Haas

- **April:**
  - Employee: Nicole Trexler | Zachary Limmer
  - Deputy: No Nomination

- **May:**
  - Employee: No Nomination
  - Deputy: Jason Flora

- **June:**
  - Employee: Josef Richardson
  - Deputy: Jesse Walker | Matthew McIntosh

- **July:**
  - Employee: Michael Wheatley | Alec Pfaff
  - Deputy: None

- **August:**
  - Employee: Leslie McGill
  - Deputy: Jason Flora | Craig Stone

- **September:**
  - Employee: Gust Teague | Brandon Baker
  - Deputy: Josh Haas

- **October:**
  - Employee: Hunter Sever | Sanita Branch
  - Deputy: Michael Profitt | Jared Donohoo | David Posma

- **November:**
  - Employee: None
  - Deputy: Matt Snyder

- **December:**
  - Employee: Steve Smith
  - Deputy: Jonathan Petry | David Williams
# Active Duty Military Members

- Deputy Justin Bone  |  *Army*
- Civilian Dispatcher Brianna Carter  |  *Army*
- Deputy Travis Carter  |  *Army*
- Deputy Daniel Casey  |  *Marine Reserve*
- Civilian Dispatcher Avery Cuthbertson  |  *Air Force*
- Deputy Jay Fent  |  *Army*
- Deputy Benjamin Hale  |  *Navy*
- Corrections Officer Errin Moore  |  *Army*
- Corrections Officer Eleesha Moore  |  *Army*
- Deputy Justin O'Brien  |  *Army Reserves*
- Sergeant Jack Shaw  |  *Air Force*
- Corrections Officer Josh Sizemore  |  *Army Reserves*
- Corrections Officer Jarrett Sturgis  |  *Army*
- Deputy Jonathan Tapparo  |  *Army National Guard*
- Corrections Officer Tyler Viernes  |  *Army*
- Deputy David Williams  |  *Army*
- Corrections Officer Nathan Forgan  |  *Navy*
- Corrections Officer Samuel Molton  |  *Army*
- Deputy Gabriel Fragrasse  |  *Army National Guard*
SUPPORT SERVICES
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Chief Deputy Daryl Wilson
In 2020, the Administrative Services Division was under the command of Chief Deputy Daryl Wilson. The primary responsibilities of this division consist of investigating complaints made against the agency or employees, mortgage foreclosures/delinquent tax sales, property room, records, ITS, fleet management, communication systems and the Regional Dispatch Center.

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**Sheriff Sales**

The Sheriff is responsible for handling the sale of real estate that has to be auctioned for either non-payment of taxes or by failing to pay the mortgage. These properties were listed in two different papers, the Daily Court Reporter, the Dayton Daily News, and also on the Sheriff’s Office website at [www.mcohiosheriff.org](http://www.mcohiosheriff.org) under “Properties for Sale”. In 2020, the Daily Court Reporter listed 10 ads and the Dayton Daily News listed 319 ads, total ads placed 329.

Foreclosure properties received for sale in 2020 were from 381 defaulted mortgages and 166 delinquent taxes. Out of those, 206 properties were sold, 139 were canceled prior to the sale and 105 received no bids at the auction which resulted in 220 deeds being prepared. A total of 166 appraisals were completed during the year.

**Inspectional Services**

The confidence and support from the public of Montgomery County is very important to the Sheriff. To maintain this relationship, any serious complaints or incidents which may be received and need to be investigated must be handled in a reasonable and just manner. It is the job of the Inspectional Services Unit to handle these concerns. The Inspectional Services Unit is staffed by one Sergeant and one Detective. Upon request and approval of the Sheriff, the Inspectional Services Unit will also handle investigations for other law enforcement agencies and county departments. In 2020, the Inspectional Services Unit managed 83 administrative investigations.
Information Technology

The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office utilizes advanced technology systems and applications that greatly improve on the interoperability and efficiency of many of our county's public safety departments and first responders. The IT department has seven full-time technicians that are dedicated to keeping the operation running 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. In 2020, the IT department completed 2,295 requests for technical support.

The IT department has several major active projects scheduled for the next year. Of note, we are upgrading our email system to MS Office 365, replacing the video arraignment system, upgrading the conference rooms throughout the agency, replacing the 911 phone system infrastructure, and implementing body cameras agency wide. The IT department also replaced numerous computers, network devices and mobile devices throughout the year.

Fleet Management

The Sheriff's Office Fleet management is staffed with one full time Vehicle Maintenance Officer (V.M.O.) who is assisted by a volunteer and supervised by Captain Greg Stephens. The office has a variety of marked, unmarked, and specialized vehicles available, 24 hours a day. The V.M.O monitors and ensures that all vehicles receive preventative maintenance within established guidelines; determining the nature and extent of repairs necessary and also works with Montgomery County's risk department on vehicle crash incidents. The V.M.O. also coordinates other maintenance and repairs with the County Fleet Services and other specialized service facilities throughout the county and handled over 500 requests for service in 2020.

Communications Systems

Maintenance of equipment is an ongoing process for the Sheriff’s Office, county entities and public safety departments who utilize our services. These needs are taken care of by two technicians, who are supervised by Captain Greg Stephens. The equipment they work with and maintain is portable and mobile radios, emergency lights, sirens, in-car computers, in-car camera systems and other electronic gear.
These items are repaired in the communications shop and new equipment is installed in new patrol vehicles.

The countywide P25 Simulcast is a partner with the State of Ohio Multi Agency Radio Communications System (MARCS) on sharing resources and costs. The responsibility of this partnership is an ongoing process, which includes repairs, programming of equipment, site inspections and working with vendor.

**Regional Dispatch Center**

In 2020, the Regional Dispatch Center (R.D.C.) provided service for 62% of the population for Montgomery County; 16 law enforcement agencies and 10 fire departments. Dispatches for police services included 329,995 incidents and 74,120 incidents for fire and medical assistance. The R.D.C. received close to 275,000 9-1-1 telephone calls in 2020. The R.D.C. typically handles nearly 900,000 phone calls yearly from 9-1-1, non-emergency, administrative and out-going calls.

The men and women who are assigned to the R.D.C. staff the center 24-hours-a-day each day of the year. The R.D.C. is staffed by 76 civilian dispatchers, a 9-1-1 coordinator, nine sergeants, and one captain. The staffing levels vary depending on the day of the week and time of the day. There are five separate shifts that are staffed based on telephone statistics.

The R.D.C. has used the VestaAlert Emergency System which is a high-speed messaging system that can deliver 60,000 emergency notifications per hour. This may be used for Amber Alert in high-risk situations, evacuation notices, disaster notifications, or any type of notification to provide emergency or public safety information to a specific affected area. A new system will be installed for 2021 with additional features for notifications.

The Regional Dispatch Center remained one of only a few in Ohio to be awarded stand-alone accredited emergency dispatching center through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. The R.D.C. completed a virtual assessment in 2020 receiving it’s fourth award for accreditation. All R.D.C. employees are certified Emergency Medical Dispatchers and all requests for Emergency Medical Services are processed using an Emergency Medical Dispatching system and lifesaving pre-arrival instructions are provided when appropriate.
The Regional Dispatch Center was challenged, in 2020, with the COVID-19 pandemic. The services provided by the R.D.C. are essential to the public. All possible precautions were taken to avoid an outbreak of COVID-19 at the R.D.C., including additional cleaning and a complete overhaul of the workstations and seating. Acrylic barriers were installed with new workstations to add another layer of protection for the employees.

Records Section

The Sheriff's Office Records Section is open 24-hours-a-day to service the residents of Montgomery County. Copies of background checks, public records requests, warrant entries, protection order entries, and the confirming warrants and protection orders are their primary duties. In 2020 a total of 6,466 warrants were entered into the department's database. In addition to the warrant entries, 3,475 protection orders were also entered into the department's database.

Property Room

All evidence and property that is recovered by the Sheriff's Office must be logged, recorded and tracked from the time it is obtained until it is either destroyed, released, converted to Montgomery County property or auctioned for monies for the General Fund of the county. These items may include evidence in a criminal case, found property, confiscated drugs, monies and or items placed into the custody of the Sheriff's Office for safe keeping. This work is completed by two Clerk-Typists who are assigned to the property room duties. The property room is inspected by a supervisor monthly and an annual inspection is completed once a year by Sheriff's Office Administration.

During 2020, the property room took in 6,141 items. The property room disposed of 3,763 items with the help of the new reporting system for destroying old cases. There were 421 items released/converted. This is an average of 511 items a month submitted into the property room for tracking and an average of 350 items a month for destruction, release back to the owner or converted for auction. The property room sent 1,751 pieces to the lab, 98 pieces to court for trials and 224 issued to detectives or deputies for inspection. In 2020, $11,332.42 was sent to the Sheriff's Office General Fund and $3,777.47 was put into the Crime Stoppers Fund.
SUPPORT SERVICES
COMMUNITY SERVICES

Major Matt Haines
In 2020, Community Services was under the command of Major Matt Haines. This Division is essentially responsible for proactive patrols, responding to calls on complaints and the service of legal papers. Many responsibilities fall under his command which include the sections of Patrol, Investigations, S.W.A.T., Hostage Negotiations Team, S.O.R.N., R.A.N.G.E. Task Force, C.C.W., Regional Training Center and the Reserve Deputy Program. Both Patrol and Investigations are further broken down into units and services.

**Patrol Section**

The Patrol Section is comprised of Patrol Headquarters, the township policing contracts are Jefferson, Harrison and Washington, Montgomery County Solid Waste, O.D.O.T., Forensic Services, Traffic Services, Investigations, Canine Services, and Community Education.

**Patrol Headquarters & Jefferson Township District Office**

District 7 is the Home of Sheriff's Road Patrol Headquarters and the Jefferson Township Substations. District 7 is located at 555 infirmary Road. Captain Andy Flagg has been the commander since 2018. The Captain oversees Captain oversees 7 sergeants, 32 deputies, and 13 task force detectives/agents.

District 7 houses deputies assigned to the Jefferson Township patrol contract as well as a Jefferson Township detective. Road patrol headquarters encompasses Forensic Services, Traffic Services, Environmental Crimes Task Force, ODOT Litter Collection and MCSWD Litter Collection and the Canine Deputy Program (overseen by Captain Greg Stephens). Support Services Legal Process Deputies, the Legal Process Clerk and the Vehicle Maintenance Officer also work out of this building. Each of these services are provided to all citizens of Montgomery County, no matter where they may live, providing indispensible help and assistance in time of need.

Jefferson Township has contracted with the Sheriff's Office for police services since September of 1995. The contract provides five deputies and a detective to cover the Jefferson Township community.
These deputies patrol a township that is comprised of neighborhoods, farms and businesses. During 2020, deputies responded to 8,362 calls for service.

The Patrol Headquarters is responsible for providing services and details to the unincorporated areas of the county which are primarily rural with small communities as well as to the incorporated areas of the county. Calls for service in both areas totaled 17,717.

Harrison Township District Office

The Harrison Township Substation, or District 10 as it is also known as, is located at 5945 North Dixie Drive at the Harrison Township Government Offices. The district is commanded by Captain Dave Parin. There are five sergeants who serve as supervisors over the 28 deputies and detectives assigned to the district. In 2020, there were 41,621 calls for service from the community.

The Proactive Policing Program has two full-time deputies, who are utilized for directed patrol in order to locate unlawful activities of all types and enforce those laws being violated. The target areas came from several sources; citizen complaints that were received, Neighborhood Watch meetings and from crime reports.

Harrison Township also has one deputy assigned as the COP, or Citizen Oriented Patrol officer, that attends all of the Neighborhood Watch meetings and community events. This deputy is also responsible for sharing information they receive to other deputies at District 10. Starting in 2018, the owners of Creekside Homes contract with the Sheriff's Office to provide two deputies to work in the apartment community. Their duties are to patrol all parts of the apartment complex and enforce any violation of the laws while addressing the needs of the residents and apartment management. Since 2009, the overall crime rate has decreased with a significant drop in violent crimes. Both residents and the management have been very pleased with the services they have received.

During 2020, Harrison Township responded to the global COVID-19 pandemic continuing to serve the citizens in Harrison Township by taking some reports and follow-ups over telephone to reduce the spread of disease. This, along with other precautions, helped ensure that citizens of Harrison Township received law enforcement services without interruption.
Washington Township District Office

The Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office provides full police services to the residents of Washington Township through a cost-effective contract with the Trustees. Contracting for services enables township residents to benefit from the services and expertise provided by a large department, while being able to negotiate the level of police services that are appropriate for the community. Washington Township continues to rank among the lowest in per capita expenditures for police services among south Dayton communities.

The township district, also known as District 15, is located at the Washington Township Government Center at 8200 McEwen Road. The district commander is Captain Mike Brem, who moved to that position in April 2018. He is assisted by an administrative sergeant and five patrol sergeants who oversee three detectives, one Community Oriented Policing deputy, one Traffic Services deputy, one School Resource Officer, and 19 patrol deputies. In 2020, the district had 17,164 calls for service.

Numerous events throughout the year promoted safety and educated citizens in ways to protect their families, homes and businesses. Deputies participated in child safety seat installations, community shred days, prescription drug drop offs, numerous community events as well as O.V.I. Sobriety Checkpoints and traffic enforcement grants when available and not limited by COVID-19 restrictions.

Washington Township was able to hold one Super Saturday, where residents were able to drop off unused prescription medications for proper disposal. Removing prescription drugs from homes prevents their unauthorized use and protects the drinking water supply. The Community Resource Trailer, brought into service in May 2019, is used as a resource to further enhance community engagement within Washington Township. It has been used in a variety of ways, including assisting with feeding hundred(s) of Centerville School students, who were not attending in person classes due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

During 2020, Washington Township deputies were not able to participate in community events as they have in the past. COVID-19 restrictions caused the cancellation of all township and area events.
Forensic Services

The Forensic Services Unit of the Sheriff’s Office is a support service of the Community Services Division and holds the primary responsibility for the collection and preservation of evidence at crime scenes. Upon request, the Forensic Services Unit reports to a crime scene and holds the primary responsibility for processing the crime scene for evidence.

The Forensic Services Unit is comprised of one supervisor and nine deputy sheriffs who have received training and certification as evidence technicians through the Miami Valley Regional Crime Laboratory.

Deputies assigned to the Forensic Services Unit are certified through an 80 hour training course at the Miami Valley Regional Crime Lab. In addition to this certification, additional training is sought throughout the year to advance the knowledge and capability of the technician. Areas where advanced training is commonly sought include traffic crash scenes as well as many other specialized areas of forensics.

Deputies normally attend numerous additional specialized forensics training throughout the year. Several deputies had been scheduled for Blood Splatter Analysis and Shooting Reconstruction courses, but due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all training had to be canceled due to travel restrictions.

The Sheriff’s Office has two Yuneec H520 drones with one being assigned to the Forensic Services Unit. This drone is an asset to the unit in crash investigations, crime scenes, natural disasters, search and rescue as well as other patrol like functions. Deputy Poulton has been certified to use the drone and has deployed it on six separate occasions during 2020. The drone was used to capture aerial photographs of two MCSO officer involved shootings, which occurred on LaCrosse Ave/Ontario Ave and at Possum Creek Metro Park. The drone was used to capture aerial photographs on a Butler Township officer involved shooting on Miller Lane. The drone was also used to conduct an aerial search of the roof of Chappy James Academy to search for breaking and entering suspects. Deputy Poulton assisted the Dayton Police Department using the drone for aerial photographs of a shooting scene that covered two blocks. Deputy Poulton also assisted the Dayton Police Department and the Vandalia Fire Department on an aerial search of a wooded area for an endangered adult.

The Sheriff’s Office has a FARO 3D Laser Scanner for the Forensics Services Unit. This is a state of the art system that will scan and photograph crime scenes and traffic crash scenes.
This system allows the creation of a "walk through" scene and can be operated by only one technician. This system is used on all major scenes such as homicides, fatal crashes and shootings.

The Forensics Services Unit currently has three of the nine evidence technicians certified as accident reconstruction investigators. These three deputies handle serious injury and fatal crashes in Jefferson Township, Harrison Township and throughout the county as needed. They will also cover Washington Township when Deputy Ball, D15 accident reconstruction investigator, is not available. This specialized training provides the investigative tools for reconstruction of crash scenes and related evidence and serves to tie all levels of crash investigation together.

The unit receives and processes requests for courts, detectives, and the general public on a daily basis. These requests involve both photo discs and video discs from cases handled by the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office. The unit also has a portable super-glue fuming hood and supplies that will allow evidence technicians to process scenes and vehicles for latent prints utilizing the fuming method at the crime scene or locations other than the Forensic Services Unit office. Evidence technicians also have 24" photographic rods in their vehicles and 48" rods are available at the FSU office. These rods can be used to determine a trajectory of an object through a material such as a bullet into a wall and photographed to provide a visual aid of the trajectory.

Evidence requests in 2020 for the processing of scenes totaled 1,742, which is an increase of 1% over 2019. This number breaks down to the following requests: 328 in Jefferson Township, 1,028 in Harrison Township, 212 in Washington Township, 8 in Perry Township and 174 handled in other jurisdictions around Montgomery County. The demand for calls per shift was 462 for First Watch (11:30 PM to 7:30 AM), 516 for Second Watch (7:30 AM to 3:30 PM), and 583 for Third Watch (3:30 PM to 11:30 PM).

Any evidence processed and collected at the scenes is forwarded to the Miami Valley Regional Crime Laboratory (MVRCL) for examination. During 2020, the Forensics Services Unit had 70 latent print hits and 119 DNA hits where the MVRCL was able to identify specific individuals.

The types of requests for evidence processing was wide ranging. During 2020, the 1,742 calls for service were divided up into the following offenses; 248 burglaries/B&E, 355 narcotics, 111 thefts, 103 traffic violations/accidents, 172 assaults, 51 robberies, and 147 weapons offenses and 555 other offenses. The other offenses include but not limited to sex-related crimes, criminal damaging complaints, homicides, and suicides.
Traffic Services Unit

There are five deputies assigned to District 7 and district 15 that are part of the Traffic Services Unit. Accident reconstruction trained deputies from District 7 handle all serious and/or fatal crashes that occur in Harrison Township. These deputies are responsible for assembling monthly statistics, investigating serious and fatal crashes, hit and run crashes, and follow-ups of various traffic investigations and reports.

During 2020, deputies from the Sheriff’s Office (including all three districts) investigated 1,052 traffic crashes. Road Patrol Headquarters and Jefferson Township took 124 total crashes with 111 occurring in Jefferson Township and 13 in other various jurisdictions within Montgomery County.

In Jefferson Township, there were 61 property damage crashes, 37 minor injury crashes with 61 persons claiming minor injuries, and 13 serious injury crashes with 13 persons sustaining serious injuries. Jefferson Township had no fatal crashes in 2020. There were no pedestrian involved crashes, 26 hit and run crashes, and 8 crashes involving an impaired driver. The rest of the crashes in the county involved 10 property damage crashes, 3 minor injury crashes with 5 persons claiming injuries, no serious injury, pedestrian or fatal crashes. Three of those crashes were classified as hit and run crashes. One crash involved an impaired driver.

Looking at the crashes that were handled by District Seven deputies, the highest amount of crashes occurred on Friday (23), followed by Thursday (20), and Tuesday (18). First watch deputies handled 23 crashes, second watch deputies handled 45 crashes, and third watch deputies handled 56 crashes.

Harrison Township reported a total of 559 traffic crashes, including 347 property damage crashes, 232 minor injury crashes with 276 people injured, and 9 serious injury crashes with 18 people sustaining serious injuries. There were 3 fatal crashes with 3 persons sustaining fatal injuries in 2020. Impaired drivers were involved in 15 crashes. There were 158 hit and run crashes reported. Harrison Township had 12 crashes where pedestrians were involved. Friday was the highest day for crashes with 104, followed by Saturday with 86, and then Wednesday with 85. First watch deputies handled 92 crashes, second watch deputies handled 245 crashes, and third watch deputies handled 242 crashes.
A total of 369 crashes occurred in Washington township in 2020. There were 243 property damage crashes and 117 minor injury crashes with 159 sustaining injuries. There were 6 serious injury crashes where 8 people sustained minor injuries. Washington Township had 3 fatal crashes with 3 persons sustaining fatal injuries. Thirteen of the crashes involved impaired rivers. There was 1 pedestrian related crash and 31 hit and run crashes. Friday was the highest day for crashes with 70, followed by Tuesday with 61, and then Wednesday with 54 crashes in Washington Township. First watch deputies handled 39 crashes, second watch deputies handled 165 crashes, and third watch deputies handled 165 crashes.

During 2020, deputies worked in traffic enforcement activities with the goal of reducing traffic crashes and increasing safety on Montgomery County roadways. Each district issued citations for various traffic infractions and from the investigations of accidents. Road Patrol Headquarters and Jefferson Township deputies made 1,014 traffic stops and issued 435 citations, which was an 41.22% increase from the previous year. Harrison Township deputies made 2,255 traffic stops and issued 1,375 citations, which was a 15% increase from the previous year. Washington Township deputies made 1,224 traffic stops and issued 684 citations, which was a 46% increase from last year.

Additionally, in 2020, the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office partnered with the Montgomery County Combined Agency OVI Task Force to host two OVI checkpoints. The Sheriff's Office hosted two checkpoints in Harrison Township on July 3, 2020, in conjunction with the Fourth of July celebrations. These checkpoints were held at 4600 N. Main Street and 5945 N. Dixie Drive. The Sheriff's Office had a checkpoint set up for St. Patrick's Day, however, it was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In addition to the checkpoints, the OVI Task Force grant provided the Sheriff's Office with over sixty (60) hours of OVI saturation patrols. As a result of those patrols, deputies made 63 traffic stops and issued 10 seat belt citations, 8 DUS/NO OL citations, 21 speed citations, 5 other citations and made 2 OVI arrests.

The Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office was awarded a Selective Traffic Enforcement program (STEP) grant for FFY2020 in the amount of $39,633.04. The grant ran from October 2019 to September 2020 and was utilized to conduct supplemental, traffic enforcement through Montgomery County targeting seat belt violations, aggressive driving, and other violations that contribute to injury crashes.
Deputies working this grant made 170 traffic stops, which resulted in 15 seatbelt/child restraint citations, 21 DUS/NO OL citations, 62 speed citations, 1 OVI arrest, 16 other citations, and 1 felony arrests over the course of 159.75 hours.

The Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office was also awarded an Impaired Driving Enforcement Program (IDEP) grant in the amount of $54,199.43. This grant ran from October 2019 through September 2020 and was utilized for impaired driving enforcement. Deputies worked 418.25 hours of enforcement overtime, which resulted in 445 traffic stops. Deputies issued 93 speed citations, 35 seatbelt/child restraint citations, 56 DUS/NO OL citations, and 63 other various citations. Deputies also made 5 OVI arrests and 5 felony arrests.

The Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office was awarded a Drugged Driving Enforcement Program (DDEP) grant in the amount of $12,672.42. This grant ran from October 2019 through September 2020. This grant is for targeting drug impaired drivers during the day time hours of 10:00 AM through 6:00 PM. Deputies working this grant are required to be ARIDE (Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement) trained. Deputies worked 47.25 hours of enforcement overtime, which resulted in 57 traffic stops, 26 speed citations, 6 seat belt citations, 5 DUS/NO OL citations, and 1 other various citation.

During 2020, the number of crashes investigated by the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office decreased by 13% overall from 2019 with 155 less crashes. Harrison Township handled 77 less crashes this year, which is a 12% decrease. Washington Township handled 52 less crashes in 2020, which is a 12% decrease. Road Patrol Headquarters/Jefferson Township handled 34 less crashes this year which was a 23% decrease. Fatal crashes investigated by MCSO remained the same with 6 in 2019 and again in 2020. Serious Injury crashes investigated by the Sheriff’s Office decreased to 28 crashes this year compared to 31 in 2019.

Traffic Enforcement is an essential component to reducing injuries and fatalities resulting from traffic crashes. In addition to preventing injuries and deaths, reducing crashes minimizes losses from property damage throughout the county. During 2020, deputies continued to address traffic safety concerns making over 4,454 traffic stops and issued 2,099 citations. Speed/Assured Clear Distance was the leading cause of crashes in Montgomery County with 260 crashes. This was followed by Failure to Control with 246 crashes and Failure to Yield Right of Way with 230 crashes.
Due to the COVID-19 pandemic throughout the past year, traffic enforcement has been a challenge. There were several months where the state was basically shut down with curfews in place, which limited the number of cars on the roadways. A checkpoint had to be canceled due to the pandemic in order to keep deputies and citizens safe by limiting direct contact with each other. The pandemic is a contributing factor in the decrease of traffic stops and citations issued from the previous year.

The ultimate goal of traffic enforcement continues to be the reduction of crashes, injuries and fatalities on Montgomery County roadways. Resources such as OVI saturation patrol hours from the Combined Agency OVI Task Force, Impaired Driving Enforcement Program (IDEP) hours, the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (DDEP) hours will be utilized to target high crash occurrence times and locations on the day of the week that they are occurring in an effort to reduce the number of crashes.

Special Investigations

The special investigation section of the Sheriff’s Office investigates violent crimes such as homicides, aggravated robberies, abductions, kidnappings, rapes and felonious assaults. The section consists of one Sergeant and five Detectives. These Detectives are also responsible for investigating cold cases when new information is provided and follow-up is needed, as well as any criminal offenses that are reported on Montgomery County owned property.

Investigations (District 7, 10 & 15)

The Townships of Jefferson, Harrison and Washington have also contracted with the Sheriff’s Office for detectives to work cases that involve their communities. These districts work cases that involve burglaries, robberies, identity thefts, credit card fraud, forgery and bad checks, assaults, felony and misdemeanor thefts, arson, auto thefts and recoveries, missing persons, domestic violence in addition to the other crimes. For the year of 2020, 93 reports were investigated by the Jefferson Township detective. Harrison Township had four detectives who worked 1,053 reported incidents. The three detectives assigned in Washington Townships handled 462 investigations.
Environmental Enforcement Unit

The Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office Environmental Crimes Unit was formed in January, 2011. This unit is comprised of an enforcement deputy and two additional deputies who supervise inmate crews. The environmental enforcement deputy is responsible for the investigation of crimes against the environment. These crimes include illegally dumped trash and debris, illegal dumping and/or transportation of scrap tires and other criminal offense against the environment.

Deputy Robbie Jackson became the environmental enforcement deputy in 2018. Deputy Jackson has investigated complaints in a variety of jurisdictions throughout Montgomery County. She also assisted in training people from various agencies in Montgomery and surrounding counties. There were twenty-six inspections conducted at used tire shops and junkyards in 2020.

Since the formation of the unit, 855 complaints have been investigated with 484 resulting in prosecution of the offender. More than $88,678.10 in fines has been collected as a result of these cases. Offenders have served more than 5,923 hours of community service, 5,132 days of incarceration and the courts have ordered a combined total of more than 244 years of probation. Twenty offenders entered into felony diversion program and another nineteen were ordered into the ILC (Intervention in Lieu of Conviction) program.

Two inmate clean-up crews are assigned to the unit and are supervised by Deputy Robert Akemon and Deputy Brandon Baker. Deputy Akemon addresses dumpsites and litter collection along 250 roadways throughout Montgomery County. The litter collection roadways are selected by each jurisdiction and a survey is conducted at the conclusion of the year. During 2020, the work crew, under the supervision of Deputy Akemon, worked over 617 man hours. They collected more than 580 bags of trash on roadways throughout Montgomery County.

Beginning in August of 2013, the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office contracted with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to remove trash along the interstates and state routes that fall under the jurisdiction of ODOT. During 2020, this work crew, under the supervision of Deputy Brandon Baker, worked over 890 man hours collecting more than 1,132 bags of trash along I-70, I-75, and U.S. Route 35 in Montgomery County.
Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, inmates were not available for work details, so Deputy Akemon and Deputy Baker were limited in regard to clean ups. Both deputies were able to perform clean ups from January to March 13, 2020. Inmate work crews were not available for the rest of the year.

Deputy Akemon began to assist Deputy Jackson with criminal investigations involving dumping complaints in the solid waste district. Deputy Akemon targeted Jefferson Township and Trotwood for illegal dumping violations. in order to become more proactive and clean up problem areas, Jefferson Township purchased eleven surveillance cameras that were set up throughout the township in known dumping site areas to assist in identifying vehicles and suspects.

The Environmental Crimes Unit always plays a major role in the Montgomery County Tire Buyback VI event that is held every year, at the Montgomery County Solid Waste District. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the tire buyback even was canceled this year by the Solid Waste District. The past seven events have resulted in over 108,204 scrap tires collected and recycled. The Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office normally provides manpower through inmate work crews as well as law enforcement services and security during the event. Montgomery County Solid Waste hopes to continue the event in 2021.

During 2021, members of the Environmental Crimes Unit will continue to partner and work with the Montgomery County Solid Waste District, Ohio Department of Transportation, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, and the cities and townships of Montgomery County to investigate complaints against the environment and to keep Montgomery County clean from litter and debris.

**Canine Services**

The canines that are part of the Sheriff’s Office are trained to track subjects and search buildings for those who have committed crimes, locate lost children and adults, search for articles and to locate drugs. Each canine is partnered with a deputy and both go through extensive training together. During their assignment together, they are required to attend two training periods per month.

Canine Services had a total of 371 deployments in 2019. This included 49 building searches, 21 canine demonstrations, 5 bomb threats, 3 dignitary details and 180 drug searches and warrants. Over 100,440 grams of illegal drugs were recovered by the Canine unit over the year.
Community Education

The importance of providing a positive interaction with the community continued to be a strong focus of the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office. Despite the pandemic that effected all aspects of our community in 2020, the Sheriff's Office continued to be as proactive as possible across Montgomery County during these challenging times.

Prior to the pandemic forcing our local schools to transition to remote learning, the Sheriff's Office school based education STARS program was used to present educational programs for students from Kindergarten through 12th grade. This important program is provided as a service to the community as requested and provides a wide variety of topics from "Stranger Danger" and Social Media Safety to Alcohol and Drug programs. The Sheriff's STARS program is also used to educate parents and teachers on relevant topics. The STARS program also works with schools to provide incentive based programs and rewards deserving students with field trips to various locations. The Sheriff’s Office continues to offer its Child ID program, which is an important safety tool that provides parents a personal identification card of their child.

The Sheriff's Office did have "social distanced" community IMPACT meetings, which encourages citizens and law enforcement to work together to improved relationships between citizens and members of law enforcement agencies across Montgomery County.

The year 2020 and all of it's challenges caused the cancellation of most of the traditional community sponsored events. From the Montgomery County Fair to the Annual 10 week Citizens Academy, these popular events will be resumed as soon as possible. As the community adapted to the "new normal" of the pandemic and began to hold safe and socially distanced the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office endeavored to continue as many of these events as possible. From back to school supplies and book bag giveaways to "Trunk or Treat" events, providing Thanksgiving meals, to community Christmas/holiday celebrations, "Shop with a Cop", and providing cold weather hats, gloves and scarves.
Regional Agencies for Narcotic & Gun Enforcement (R.A.N.G.E.)

The Regional Agencies Narcotics and Gun Enforcement (R.A.N.G.E.) Task force was founded on the belief drug trafficking organizations have no political boundaries; therefore, partnerships with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies were formed to protect and serve the citizens of Montgomery County and the surrounding areas. Their primary focus is to disrupt and dismantle drug trafficking organizations and other criminal enterprises operating in and around the Miami Valley. We recognize it is crucial to continue to educate our communities on drug prevention efforts and make the concerns of the public a priority. The R.A.N.G.E. Task Force is committed to using any and all resources to combat illicit drugs from entering our community.

The R.A.N.G.E. Task Force is a collaboration of the following eleven law enforcement agencies: Homeland Security Investigation, Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office, Clayton Police Department, Dayton Police Department, Englewood Police Department, Five Rivers Metro Parks Law Enforcement Department, Franklin Police Department, Germantown Police Department, Jackson Township Police Department, Miami Township Police Department and Ohio State Highway Patrol. The task force works diligently to fight the heroin epidemic, along with the other drug problems facing Montgomery and Clark counties.

The task force completed 185 operations in 2020. The operations included undercover drug buys, search warrants, covert surveillance ops, parcel interdictions, trash pulls and prostitution operations.

The R.A.N.G.E Task Force executed 96 search warrants. Search warrants include court-authorized warrants for homes, GPS attachments, cell phone analysis and probable cause and/or consent searches. As a result of these search warrants, the task force confiscated 44 firearms, seized 2,769 grams of cocaine and 5,653 grams of heroin/fentanyl and arrested 79 suspects.

The task force engaged in 15 investigations in which the focus was something other than drug-related crime including: sex crimes/internet sex crimes, human trafficking, liquor/tobacco violations, prostitution/solicitation and child pornography.
The task force participates in a prescription drug drop off program. The program is designed to significantly reduce the prescription drugs in homes that are either not needed or expired. These unused drugs have become the target of theft and misuse, often by people who have access to the residence. The task force, along with the Montgomery County Property Room, collects and processes the prescription drugs for proper destruction. In 2020, 66 pounds of prescription drugs were collected. Prescription drop off boxes are located at the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Headquarters, Road Patrol Headquarters in Jefferson Township, and Washington Township Government Center.

**Sex Offender Registration Unit**

In the State of Ohio, the Sheriff is mandated by law to register all sex offenders who either live or work in their county. The law requires the Sheriff’s Office to notify anyone residing within 1,000 feet of a Tier III sexual offender or sexual predator. In addition to tracking sex offenders, the SORN unit also tracks arson offenders and violent offenders. In 2020, the Sheriff’s Office tracked approximately 1,072 registered sexual offenders, along with approximately 50 arson offenders and 47 violent offenders.

The Sheriff’s Office is responsible for determining whether an offender has complied with state law in choosing an area of residence. In 2020, the SORN unit completed 2,668 verifications, with only an average of 4 non-compliant offenders. Montgomery County averaged one of the lowest number of non-compliant offenders in Ohio.

Information about sexual offenders registered in Montgomery County is available at [www.mcohiosheriff.org](http://www.mcohiosheriff.org).

**Hostage Negotiations Team**

The Hostage Negotiations Team (H.N.T.) is comprised by members of the Sheriff's Office along with officers from Trotwood, Jackson Township, Eaton, the FBI, Butler Township and Kettering Hospital Police Departments. This 14 member team, is made of 12 sworn officers and two civilian dispatchers. They attend bi-monthly training, which covers the use of equipment and topics on mental health issues, communications, suicide prevention, intelligence collection and scenario based training. H.N.T. and S.W.A.T. also train together at least twice a year.

In 2020, the H.N.T. responded to 3 call outs; two in Harrison Township and one in Clayton.
Special Weapons and Tactics

The Montgomery County Regional Special Weapons and Tactics team (S.W.A.T.), exists to provide specialized tactical response to critical incidents for law enforcement agencies within and surrounding Montgomery County. In addition to Sheriff’s Office employees, the team also has members from six other police departments; Clayton, Grandview Hospital Police, Miami Township, Trotwood, Riverside and Vandalia. Chief Deputy Daryl Wilson is the incident commander and Sergeant Ted Jackson is the Operations Commander whom guides this team through their training that is held twice a month and when responding to call outs.

During 2020, the team responded to 17 calls for offenses that included armed barricaded subjects, high risk warrants, hostage incidents, dignitary details and crowd control support.

This specialized team responds to all areas of the county who need assistance to include the adjoining Preble County. This year calls were received from the Cities of Dayton, Riverside, Oakwood, Trotwood, Clayton, Kettering, West Carrollton, Vandalia and Harrison, Jefferson and Miami Townships. They also responded to incidents for the Preble County Sheriff's Office, the City of Eaton, F.B.I., R.A.N.G.E. Task Force and the US Secret Service.

Regional Training Center

Training instruction for the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office is conducted by our Regional Training Center which is staffed by one sergeant and two deputy sheriffs and one corrections officer. These employees also instructed seven other agencies throughout the year. The primary training sessions were broken down into two phases for the calendar year of 2020.

In Phase 1, all sworn and reserve units participated in; Lecture/presentation on "Working with Domestic Violence Victims" via instructors from Artemis. Action Response which include policy and procedures, subject control techniques and how to apply those techniques. The training session also covered practical applications of force (Weaponless techniques, weapon retention/control, ground control and vascular neck restraints) and, the use and application of hand restraints, types of hand restraints, position and tactical positioning. Participants were given a presentation on MCSO OC/pepper spray re-certification, baton re-certification and policy review.
Participants had to post a satisfactory score on the 2020 Advanced Action Response review test. They went on to complete scenarios to re-certify in OC/pepper spray and the baton.

In Phase 2, all sworn and reserve unites participated in the following training; MCSO pursuit policy review, Stop Stick (tire deflation devices) lecture/video for certification/re-certification, presentation on Taser/CEW weapons and completed all the supporting documentation required by Axon/Taser International. Participants also completed practical deployments of both the Stop Sticks and Taser. During the practical drill of Stop Sticks, participants were required to complete two deployments with proper deployment/positioning. During the practical drills for Taser, participants were required to demonstrate and proper operation, aiming and deployment of a minimal two cartridges. They completed precision shooting and skill building drills to demonstrate proper operation, aiming and deploying a minimal of two cartridges. Students participated in donning and doffing their issued PPE respiratory gas masks. They also completed a respiratory gas mask test fit with the Porta County Pro machine and be test fitted for operability per OSHA mandate.

Participants also completed the OPOTA state shooting qualifications for duty firearms, backup firearms and shotguns. At the completion of the qualifications, participants completed a precision shooting drill consisting of a distance of 7 yards and concentrating on target identification, sight alignment, trigger control and press, with one to two rounds.

In addition to the phase training, numerous Basic Field Training Officer courses were held for the Sheriff's Office employees and new employee orientation training. Sixteen Basic Patrol Rifle courses were conducted.

Supervisory Concerns for sergeants and mid-level managers was instructed via PDMS due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Topics presented for supervisors included updated employee investigations, action response, and Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) changes/provision, less lethal with a test, on scene control and management for critical incidents/officer involved shooting and policy review of General Orders Manual 2.2.1, Direction. Sergeants coordinated and scheduled times with the training center to complete the practical qualification shooting course for less lethal to utilize one on one instruction for safe distancing.

The corrections staff received mandatory 40 hours of instruction, which consisted of 40 plus and PowerPoint presentations and videos of training on-line. All practical exercises and demonstration were illustrated via videos/pictorials in PDMS.
Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this training was reduced into PowerPoint presentations with detailed pictorials and videos to support the information. Regional Dispatch Center employees received 16 hours of training which covered multiple topics for all dispatch experience levels at the Regional Dispatch Center.

Throughout the year, roll call training bulletins were issued for employees to read and review. These bulletins allow all employees to gain information to updates on various law enforcement issues. The Regional Training Center and Range were used by approximately 40 outside agencies and organizations that have their own instructors. These agencies include local, state, federal and military units. In addition, the training center hosted eight classes at our facility by outside vendors.

The Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office did not hold the annual Citizens Academy in 2020. The course usually includes a training segment from the training staff and regional SWAT team. The training center also did not complete any A.L.I.C.E. (active shooter/violent intruder) training during 2020.

The Regional Training Center and Range hosted a 2020 Retiree LEOSA shoot/qualification. The participants being retired LE, completed the OPOTA pistol qualification to maintain or receive their certificate.

The training staff was unable to attend 2020 International Law Enforcement Educators Association (ILEETA) conference in 2020.

**Legal Process**

Legal Process has the responsibility to record, track and passes along the paperwork that has been sent out to the Sheriff’s Office from courts not only from this county, but from other Ohio counties and other states. One clerk typist and eight deputies process paperwork for felony and misdemeanor subpoenas, eviction notices, probate orders, court entries, probate orders, court entries, domestic violence paperwork, stalking orders, temporary restraining orders, extraditions, verifying addresses of registered sex offenders and various other petitions.

Deputies assigned to the Civil Process Unit made 15,990 attempts at service and successfully served 10,595 papers. Deputies returned 2,440 papers due to failed service. Deputies serving Temporary Protection Orders (TPO)/Civil Protection Orders (CPO) paperwork successfully served 2,390 papers with 5,312 attempts and 520 returned for failed service. There were 142 Sex Offender Registration and Notification (SORN) verifications completed with 275 attempted and 32 returned for failed verification.
The execution deputy received 142 Writs for Foreclosures, 67 Forcible Entry Detainers (FED), 10 Levy’s, 13 Padlocks, and 13 Replevins. There were 142 total papers received, 300 attempts of service, and 67 forced move outs with 14 still occupied. There were 46 extraditions that totaled 24,638 miles in 2020.

**Concealed Carry Weapon Permit**

The State of Ohio began issuing CCW permits in 2004. Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office processes CCW permits for residents of Montgomery County and/or adjoining counties. There is one full time deputy and one secretary assigned to this section. Since 2004 Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office has issued 41,276 new permits and renewed 21,135. In 2019 the CCW office issued 2,755 new permits, renewed 3,382, denied 98, suspended 107 and revoked 54.

**Reserve Deputy Program**

The Reserve Deputy Program is a volunteer unit made up of certified peace officers in the State of Ohio. In order to qualify as a reserve deputy, an individual has to complete the Ohio Basic Police Officer Academy and successfully complete the same rigorous hiring process and field training program as a full time deputy. Reserve deputies work alongside full-time deputies in the community and because they have the same training and qualifications, a reserve deputy can perform many of the same functions that a full time deputy performs. Many reserve deputies are retired police officers and deputy sheriffs that bring a career worth of experience with them to the unit. During 2020, the reserve deputy unit of the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office consisted of 25 reserve deputies.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Reserve Deputies contributed over 480 hours of volunteer service to the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office and the citizens of Montgomery County. Service provided by this unit were law enforcement duties at Montgomery County Fairgrounds 4H programs, Board of Elections security, funeral and event details, where bag pipes was played by Reserve Deputy Braund. Reserves continue to support personnel at Sheriff’s Office Regional Training Center, Personnel Division and the Sex Offender Registration and Notification unit. This allowed the MCSO to staff important functions and events throughout Montgomery County, bolstering security in many areas while maintaining appropriate staffing and coverage levels in daily operations.
SUPPORT SERVICES
GENERAL SERVICES

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Support Services Division
General Services

General Service is under the command of Julie Droessler, Esq., Personnel Director for the Sheriff's Office. Since the Sheriff's Office maintains complete and total control over the selection of their personnel, this is the Personnel Director’s primary responsibility. She must also manage departmental policies, all bargaining unit agreements and take care that all state and federal guidelines and laws are followed. The Accreditation Unit also falls under her command.

Accreditation Unit

The Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office holds four national accreditations. In 1986, the Sheriff's Office was the first Sheriff's Office in Ohio to be accredited through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). The next accreditation was awarded in 1999 for the jail from the American Corrections Association (ACA), then Public Safety Communications Accreditation Program (PSCAP) for the Regional Dispatch Center in 2010. The jail medical is also accredited through the National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC).

In addition to these four accreditations, the Sheriff's Office holds three certifications. These certifications are from the Ohio Bureau of Adult Detention (BAD), the Federal Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA), and the Ohio Collaborative Law Enforcement Agency Certification.

The Sheriff’s Office has achieved these prestigious accreditation and certification awards by demonstrating compliance with 1,397 rigorous standards designed to increase agency effectiveness and efficiency, promoting excellence, and increasing citizen and employee confidence in the goals, objectives, policies and practices of the agency.
The Accreditation Unit consists of an accreditation manager, an accreditation clerk, and a corrections officer. The Unit has the responsibility of maintaining the professional standards for corrections, law enforcement and public safety communications. The continuously update policies and collect documentation, keeping the agency compliant with the professional standards.

In January 2020, Major Jeremy Roy, Accreditation Manager Brenda Gisewite, and Accreditation Officer Melissa Riley attended the ACA Conference in San Diego, California, where they proudly accepted the ACA Re-accreditation Award on behalf of Sheriff Rob Streck and the MCSO. This is the 6th re-accreditation award for the Montgomery County Jail.

As the COVID-19 pandemic ascended on the world, the Accreditation Unit worked with NaphCare and the Jail Population Manager to report daily COVID statistics to the Bureau of Adult Detention. The statistics include the numbers of positive, quarantined and isolated inmates and staff; along with the number of Ohio Department of Corrections sentenced inmates on transfer.

The Regional Dispatch Center had a virtual compliance audit for the PSCAP accreditation in August, 2020. The agency maintained compliance with all applicable standards and was awarded the third CALEA PSCAP re-accreditation. In October 2020, BAD conducted the annual inspection of the Jail. Finally in November 2020, the Accreditation Unit successfully underwent the annual law enforcement file review. All files reviewed were in compliance with the CALEA standards.

As the unit looks forward to 2021, they will be preparing for the annual BAD inspection and file review in the jail, the CALEA Law Enforcement virtual assessment, and the CALEA Communications annual file review.
JAIL DIVISION

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The Montgomery County Jail Division is under the command of Major Jeremy Roy. Captain Julie Stephens and Captain Brad Daugherty are the Assistant Jail Commanders. Captain Stephens is in charge of overseeing Jail Operations and Captain Daugherty is in charge of Administration.

The Sheriff is mandated under Ohio law to maintain and operate a jail. The role of the Jail Division encompasses not only the housing of prisoners, but inmate transports and the security of various court and county buildings. Various self-improvement and work programs are available to the inmate population. Food services, medical and mental health services are also provided to those incarcerated. The primary goal of the Montgomery County Jail is to provide a safe and secure environment to promote positive prisoner behavior. This goal is accomplished through fair, impartial and humane treatment of all individuals incarcerated in the Jail.

The present Montgomery County Jail was built in 1965. Two major updates, one in 1993 and the other in 2004, increased the facility’s capacity to 903 inmate beds. This allowed the jail to hold an average 645 inmates per day in 2020. The total number of prisoners booked in 2020 was 15, 112.

In January 2020, the jail was awarded re-accreditation from the American Correction Association. The Bureau of Adult Detention completed a walk-through of the jail in October 2020 and no issues were found. A file review and full inspection was not completed. It is the Bureau of Adult Detention's practice ot not complete a full inspection of ACA accredited facilities during the year they receive their accreditation. In 2020 there were four PREA incidents reported in the jail. Three were unfounded and one was unsubstantiated.
Court Services

The Sheriff's Jail Division has responsibility for providing access control and area security in various courts and county buildings in Montgomery County. Deputy sheriffs and contracted security officers provide this security in the Common Pleas Court, Dayton Municipal Court, Eastern and Western Divisions of the County Municipal Court, the County Administration Building and the Reibold Building. The Court Services section also provides security at the Children's Service's Bureau, County Public Health District, Job Center and Reibold buildings through contracts for service. Access control is managed utilizing magnetometers and x-ray machines capable of detecting items not permitted in the court and county facilities; checking all persons (and packages) wanting access into areas secured by the Sheriff's staff. Area security is managed utilizing foot and vehicle patrols in and around the various locations.

The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office operates a Video Arraignment Court inside the Montgomery County Jail. Corrections officers and deputy sheriffs are responsible for managing video arraignments. Eight municipal courts, mayor court and the Common Pleas Court arraigned 9,091 inmates using video during 2020. The use of video arraignment creates a cost savings for the tax payers of Montgomery County by reducing transportation and security cost while enhancing the safety of the community by keeping those incarcerated inside the jail facility.

During 2020, court deputies made 137 total arrests, including 7 new felony arrests, 7 new misdemeanor arrests, 21 warrant arrests, and 102 court order arrests.
Transportation Detail

The Transportation Detail is a 24 hour-per-day operation comprised of a sergeant, a clerk-typist and 11 deputies. The deputies are responsible for transporting inmates to medical appointments, institutional trips, court appearances and other details. In 2020, a total of 3,059 inmates were transported 91,206 miles.

Medical Detail Transports

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Prisoner Work Detail Program

The Prisoner Work Detail Program consists of inmates who work both inside and outside the jail facility. Deputies and corrections officers supervise inmates for various details and tasks. The inmates who work inside the jail are assigned to the commissary, laundry, kitchen and the general cleaning and maintenance of the jail. The inmates assigned to the inside detail performed 243,449 hours of work in 2020. Inmates who are designated as outside workers, perform janitorial duties at other county facilities, wash patrol vehicles, remove debris along public roadways and keep the fairgrounds clean during fair time.

The total hours completed by inmates assigned to the outside detail in 2020 was 3,379. This program saves the citizens of Montgomery County money and provides meaningful activity for the prisoners.

Inmate Programs

The men and women incarcerated at the Montgomery County Jail are usually offered the opportunity to attend various religious and self-help programs, as well as recreational activities through the year. The jail's recreation officer coordinates all prisoner recreational activities. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, some programs had to be suspended and others changed to accommodate safety precautions.

The jail was able to allow visits from religious leaders for inmates wishing for personal visits for spiritual guidance. This was completed in a non-contact setting for limited exposure.

In 2020, the jail initiated several new technologies to enable inmates to correspond easily with their family and professionals such as attorneys through kiosks which have been installed in the housing units. The inmates are able to have access to jail information such as the inmate handbook and other guidelines or regulations during their stay. They can access letters, e-mails and pictures that are sent by their families and scanned by the mail service. They are able to have video visitation with their families twice a week and their families are now able to deposit funds into their commissary accounts by using a credit card online.
Contract Services

The Montgomery County Jail contracts with two vendors to supply the food, medical and mental health service and support for the inmates.

NaphCare, Inc. provides dental, medical and mental health care for incarcerated inmates on a 24 hour per day basis. The criteria for these services are set by the *National Commission on Correctional Health Care*, American Correctional Association and the *Minimum Standards for Jails in Ohio*. Naphcare provides mental health and medical services through a physician, nurse practitioners, a psychiatrist, a dentist, nurses and emergency medical technicians. A physician sick call is held once a week at a minimum. The dental clinic and psychiatric sessions are conducted weekly. Co-payments for self-initiated, non-emergency medical problems range from $4 to $6. However, inmates are never denied health care based on the inability to pay. Additional available services include sexually transmitted disease clinics, tuberculosis screening, lab and x-ray services.

NaphCare provides crisis intervention and supportive mental health services to incarcerated inmates at the Montgomery County Jail. Licensed mental health professionals are available 24 hours per day. Mental health services include a screening during the booking process, suicide prevention programming, crisis intervention, and discharge planning. In 2017, NaphCare’s medical staff began providing education on medication assisted treatment for the opioid addicted inmates and NaphCare’s discharge planners have become vital to the success of the vivitrol release program, started in 2018.

The Director of Criminal Justice Outreach, Teresa Russell, initiated a partnership with Miami Valley Pet Therapy Association for group socialization inside the jail. Peer support continued with some non-traditional means, often meeting inmates non-contact or communicating via kiosk.

In 2020, the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office expanded partnerships with the Wright State School of Professional Psychology, to designate the jail as a site for doctoral internship.
Mission Statement and Core Values

The Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office protects and serves all people with integrity, respect and honesty.

To achieve this mission, Sheriff’s Office employees commit to these core values:

**Integrity**
Employees uphold their positions of trust through honesty, credibility, and by maintaining the highest of ethical standards.

**Service to the Community**
Employees regard their office as a public trust and, in the discharge of their duties, are constantly mindful of their primary obligation to serve the community courteously, efficiently, and effectively.

**Responsibility and Accountability**
Employees ensure that their behavior earns the support and trust of all segments of the public by being responsible for their actions and willing to admit their mistakes.

**Professionalism**
Employees value professionalism by having a clear sense of commitment, perspective, and direction and develop professionalism by creating an environment that encourages teamwork, innovation, and continuous self-evaluation.

Vision Statement

The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, with relentless pursuit of perfection, will deliver professional service to the community through integrity, public trust, and accountability.