

## **Police Department May 2020 Monthly Report**

During May 2020, the police department responded to 961 Calls for Service, compared to the 1,366 Calls for Service responded to in May of 2019. This is a 30 percent decrease. The year-to-date calls for service at the end of May 2020 was 5,273 which is 584 calls less than the 5,857 experienced at the end of May 2019 or 9 percent decrease.

Officers responded to 11 traffic accidents during the month of May, which represents a 31 percent decrease over the 16 responded to in May of 2019. Officers issued 12 penalty assessments during May 2020, which shows 77 percent decrease over the 52 that were issued in May 2019. Officers issued 0 warnings in May which was a 100 percent decrease over last year's 173. Officers arrested 3 drivers on DUI charges during May 2020 which is 50 percent increase over the 2 DUI's in May 2019.

Among the criminal offenses reported there were 4 assaults, 10 burglaries, 8 drug investigations, 11 forgeries, 5 motor vehicle thefts, 7 sex offenses, 44 thefts and 16 vandalisms. The value of property stolen in May of 2020 was \$25,769.52, which is a 25 percent increase over the, \$20,617.00 stolen in May of 2019. \$5,243.41 was recovered in May of 2020, which is a 16 percent decrease over the \$6,248.00 recovered in May of 2019. Officers arrested 67 adults and 0 juveniles, for a total of 67 arrests in May 2020. This is 13 less arrests or 18.29 percent decrease over the total 82 made in May 2019.

In May 2020 the Youth Services Division received 6 youth referrals (5 males and 1 female). Of those 6 youth referrals, 5 were received from the Sterling Police Department, 1 received from the parent, 0 received from school, 0 received by LCSO, and 0 received by District Court.

Officers responded to 112 calls at local liquor establishments in May 2020, with 115 calls being reported in May 2019.

Corporal Grant and K9 Officer Glock completed 7.00 hours of training in May 2020. There were 0 canine deployments with Corporal Grant seen in May 2020.

Sterling Police Officers and staff completed 69.31 hours of training during the month of May in 2020 and 533.32 hours of training for the year 2020 at the end of May.

April 2020, was the first full month of the COVID-19 pandemic, which included all the state-wide, local, and the Sterling Police Department's directives, orders, procedures and protocols that changed our normal operations during this unprecedented time. The pandemic as changed our numbers and are skewed from normal averages as a result. Overall call load was down which was anticipated as people will be reporting certain crimes/incidents less and are out and about less meaning less traffic accidents, etc., however, some types of calls have increased such as motor vehicle thefts, thefts, Disturbances and others. In addition, while we still respond to all in progress calls, emergency calls, 911 calls, etc. other calls are taken over the phone or online. While the officers are as visible in our community as ever before during the COVID-19 pandemic, proactive calls such as traffic have been reduced in order to protect our officers so it does not spread throughout our agency limiting our ability to provide the necessary emergency response to our citizens.

Public safety remains our top priority and we are balancing all the necessary precautions, protocols and procedures with providing the absolutely critical services to our community that they have come to expect.

