Lynnwood Police Department AnnualReport 2015

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Our Mission

The Mission of the Lynnwood Police Department is to provide proactive, competent, and effective public safety services to all persons, with the highest human dignity through efficient and professional law enforcement and crime prevention practices.

Our Vision

Our vision is to be recognized by our community as a major factor in determining and ensuring the quality of life in Lynnwood. We desire to be viewed as a leader in the law enforcement community; an organization that is committed to innovation and positive change in our endeavor to continually improve the quality of our service.

Our Values

Professionalism

Committed to professional development while providing ethical,

proficient, and respectful service.

Vigilance

Keeping the community safe through proactive and tenacious pursuit

of violators of the law.

Community

Cultivating positive interactions by fostering trust; and partnering with citizens to create a

high quality of life.





A Message from the Chief of Police Chief Steven J. Jensen

The 2015 Annual Report and my address are unique. This report, released in May of 2016 represents my final report as the Chief of Police for the City of Lynnwood. The past twenty-one years have been very rewarding. I have had the opportunity to see LPD evolve and develop into the organization it is today. To be sure, there have been challenges and certainly some of these have been difficult.

Over the years public safety has enjoyed great support by our elected officials. It is my hope that the recognition of the need for quality police, fire, medical response, court and communications will continue to be seen as the basis for a quality community.

The 2015 Annual Report contains pertinent data on the accomplishments of the Department. Due to the initiation of the "New World" records management system we are unable to provide the comparative data that the report would usually contain. I do believe, despite the absence of this data you will be able to review the work of a very busy department dedicated to the provision of excellent police services.

All divisions, sections and units experienced staffing shortages during 2015. The replacement of retiring or resigning officers is a long and arduous process. Although we almost achieved full staffing in 2015 the retirement of several people meant that we were once again in the replacement process of hiring new staff. Although several officers are in the final stages of field training we are processing other individuals for hiring and recruit training. Hopefully, 2016 will offer stability in staffing with a lower rate of attrition.

It is also my hope that the Department will be led in the future by a person dedicated to public safety. An individual who is cognizant of LPD's excellent staff and who is cognizant of the difficulties the police profession necessarily presents. To perform as a police officer, custody officer, police clerk or any other position in the Department requires that the Chief provide understanding and support.

With this, I conclude my last annual report address. It is my sincere hope and best wishes that the Lynnwood Police Department will continue to excel in service to our community.



Lynnwood Police Department Statistics

	2015
Population	36,485
Part 1 Crime Totals	2,392
Homicide	2
Rape	6
Robbery	35
Aggravated Assault	40
Burglary	192
Theft **	1,959
Vehicle Theft	157
Arson	1
Jail Bookings	4,628
Patrol drug arrests	693
Citations	10,881

**As of October, reflects incident based reporting (I.B.R.) and slightly higher number of offenses reported.





Lynnwood Police Department Workload Indicators

	2015
Accidents	1,354
Calls for Service	38,540
Calls Per Officer*	1,134
Commissioned Officers	70
Total Number of Reports	9,816
DUI/ Physical Control Reports	217

* Calculated based upon actual department personnel in Patrol, SOS and Traffic; not authorized positions.



LPD hosted the first annual Cops and Kids event to engage the community in a fun and informal event.



Lynnwood Police Department Employees and Volunteers

2015 Authorized Staff	Full- Time	Part- Time
Commissioned Officers	70	
Civilian Staff	32	
(Reserves and Cadets)		6
Total Employees	102	6
Community Service Volunteers		
Crime Prevention Volunteers		2
Volunteers in Public Safety		26
Citizens Patrol		44
Explorers		15
Total Volunteers		87



Volunteers support fund raising efforts during a Canine Unit skills demonstration at the Cops and Kids event.





LYNNWOOD 2015 CRIME CLOCK



Offence	Number	Rate
Total incidents (calls for service and traffic stops)	46,914	1 every 18 minutes
Felony/Serious Crimes	2,392	1 every 4 hours
Theft	1,959	1 every 4 hours
Aggravated Assault	40	1 every 9 days
Vehicular Theft	157	1 every 2 days
Burglary	192	1 every 1 day
Robbery	35	1 every 10 days
Domestic Violence Incidents	647	1 every 14 hours
DUI	217	1 every day and a half
Arson	1	1 this last year
Productivity		
Jail Bookings	4,628	1 every 2 hours
Patrol Drug Arrests	693	1 every 12 hours
Citations	10,881	1 every 80 minutes
Total Arrests (Adult and Juvenile arrests – UCR I&II)	2,765	1 every 3 hours





Lynnwood Police Department Bureau of Field Operations

Deputy Chief Karen Manser

The Bureau of Field Operations is comprised of the Patrol Division, which is inclusive of the Crime Scene Technician and Canine Units, the Traffic Section, the Special Operations Section and the Detention Division. Lynnwood Police employees are also responsible for command of the North Sound Metro SWAT Team, which is comprised of employees from nine cities in the region.

In the Bureau of Field Operations you will find men and women dedicated to serving the needs of our City. The vast majority of Bureau of Field Operations staff have attended Crisis Intervention Training which is aimed at working with people in crisis, specifically with our citizens who may be experiencing mental health issues. This training emphasizes de-escalation techniques and how to connect those in need with community resources. We have also assigned several members of the Bureau as Blue Courage instructors. The Blue Courage program is designed to enhance customer service and community interactions with the citizens we serve, which continues to be a primary focus of our agency.

Along with the rest of the Department, Bureau employees participated in a greater amount of community outreach than ever before. The national program "Coffee with a Cop" was instituted and proved to be an excellent venue to meet with citizens to discuss community issues. This program is continuing in 2016 with more events planned. Other events that our officers participated in include: Cops and Kids, Latino Expo, Lynnwood Safety Fair, Adopt a School Program, Graffiti clean-up, Citizens Academy, Lynnwood University instruction, Adopt a Garden, Shop with a Cop, Tip a Cop, Celebrate Schools 5K Run, Law Day, Honor Guard, Junior Officer of the Day, K9 Demonstrations and neighborhood meetings.

We also examined ways to improve communication and information dissemination with the public. In addition to improving media communications, the Department launched a Twitter site in 2015. Twitter allows us to provide information and dialogue about major incidents as well as everyday incidents that the public may be interested in or have questions about.

We embrace the concept of customer service both internally and externally and strive to provide the highest level of service. As a department, we understand that our responsibilities are far reaching and we are dedicated to providing a level of customer service to the public that is above and beyond expectations. We are always open to listening to the public's needs and desires as we endeavor to improve the quality of life in Lynnwood for residents and businesses alike.

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Lynnwood Police Department Bureau of Field Operations

The men and women of the **Patrol Division** serve as the face of the department and proudly serve the members of our community. A patrol workload study was completed in 2015, which illuminated the significant workload experienced in our busy City. Our officers pride themselves on responding quickly to calls for service and meeting the challenge of providing excellent customer service during each and every contact. The Division continues to be challenged with staffing, due to the lengthy wait times for academy openings at the Washington State Criminal Justice Basic Law Enforcement Academy.

We utilize specific patrol officers, who have specialized training as crime scene technicians, to process scenes where there may be trace evidence to collect. We continue to process scenes that affect the quality of life for the public, but do not rise to the level of major crime scenes. The evidence gained in this process continues to lead to the successful apprehension of criminals for quality of life crimes such as stolen vehicles and burglaries.

The **Detention Division** is responsible for the care and custody of prisoners in the Lynnwood City Jail, which continues to be one of the busiest municipal jails in Western Washington. In 2015 a medical program was implemented which assists staff in providing effective care for inmates. The continuing heroin epidemic in our region means that many of the people who come into the jail have significant health issues that require compassionate and effective care.

We continue to look for improved mechanisms for connecting inmates with services in order to address underlying causes which may affect recidivism.

Special Operations Section officers continue to target the most prolific and/or most violent offenders in our community. This small section works collaboratively with other sections of the department as well as with other agencies to effectively conduct investigations and operations to make our community safer.

The **Traffic Section** has several highly effective traffic collision investigators who conduct major collision investigations. In addition to collision investigations, officers conduct traffic enforcement and education throughout the city. A focus for enforcement has been distracted driving, which is a leading contributory cause to collisions in the City. The Traffic Section also works closely with other City Departments to identify traffic infrastructure concerns in the City in order to provide the most efficient and safe movement of the motoring public.

I am proud of the men and women that work in this Bureau. Our philosophy continues to be to "Strive for Excellence" and we will continue to challenge our employees to do so as we move into the future.





Patrol Division

Commander Wes Deppa

Mission

The mission of the Patrol Division is to protect life and property, prevent crime, apprehend criminals, conduct preliminary investigations, enforce traffic laws and respond to 911 calls for service to protect the community and enhance the quality of life of the Citizens of Lynnwood.

Personnel

In 2015 authorized staffing for the Patrol Division consisted of one commander, five sergeants, twenty six uniformed officers, four canine officers and three reserve patrol officers.

Activities and Accomplishments

The primary goal of the Patrol Division is to provide enhanced service to the Lynnwood community. Assigned officers are committed to the prevention of crime and the apprehension of violators and criminals. Below are activity levels for the division during 2015:

- Patrol officers responded to 38,540 calls for service, which is a 4% increase as compared to 2014. It should be noted that the calls for service in 2014 were 5% higher than the previous year.
- Officers served 92 court orders in 2015. They emphasized the service of domestic violence related court orders, which is a critical component to the prevention of domestic violence related crimes through successful prosecution.
- The Patrol Division tasked a patrol sergeant with training "Active Shooter Response" to over 100 city employees and partnered with the Edmonds School District in facilitating "Active Shooter Response Training" in the local schools for students and staff.
- The Police Department has continued its emphasis on the aggressive enforcement of impaired driving laws through enhanced enforcement efforts, officer training and education. As a result, the Lynnwood Police Department has five certified drug recognition experts (DREs), two of which are instructors. This is more than any other agency within Snohomish County. During 2015, Lynnwood patrol officers arrested 217 drivers for DUI related violations.



Patrol Division

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

• Patrol squad training remained a critical component in officer development in 2015. Supervisors trained their personnel in subjects related to use of force, defensive tactics, legal updates, departmental policies and procedures, active shooter situations, firearms, crisis intervention and a variety of other topics designed to increase their knowledge and improve performance.

Below is a sample of Patrol Cases in 2015:

- **Drug Case:** Officers responded to a local residence where the owner had sublet a bedroom without doing a background check on the renter. The renter turned out to be a drug dealer and convicted felon. Patrol officers responded to an assault call at the residence and arrested the drug dealer. Patrol officers interviewed the drug dealer and obtained a full confession about his activities as well as receiving permission to search his room. During the search of the drug dealer's room, a handgun was found. Based upon the drug dealer's confession and recovery of the handgun, this suspect was charged with 13 felony crimes.
- Armed Robbery/Pursuit: Officers responded to a local retail store on a robbery call. The suspect had stolen merchandise and when confronted by security, threatened to stab them with a screwdriver. As officers arrived in the area, they spotted a vehicle that matched the description of the fleeing suspect. When the officers attempted to pull the suspect over, the suspect sped off at high speeds. Because of the seriousness of the offense, officers pursued the suspect down to the Canyon Park area of Bothell. When the suspect left the freeway officers performed a Pursuit Intervention Technique on the suspect's vehicle which disabled it. The suspect was taken into custody and the weapon used against the security guard was recovered.
- First Degree Robbery: Officers responded to a retail store on a robbery call. A suspect had injured an elderly female while stealing her purse. Patrol officers conducted an investigation that included reviewing video footage from the store. Based upon the video evidence the officers were able to determine the license plate number of the suspect's car. The suspect's vehicle was located and officers attempted to contact the suspect inside of his residence. The suspect refused to surrender. After a brief standoff that included negotiations with the suspect, he surrendered to patrol officers and was taken into custody.



Patrol works with the Fire Department to secure an accident scene.



Patrol Division

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

- Indecent Liberties: Officers responded to a series of sexual assault calls in the area near Scriber Lake Park. During the course of the investigation, it was clear one suspect was accosting the female victims. Once a description of the suspect was obtained, a patrol officer spotted the suspect the in the area of Scriber Lake Park and arrested him. The officer was able to obtain a confession from the suspect about his involvement in these cases.
- Officer Assault/Eluding: An officer responded to a report of a suspicious man threatening members of the Lynnwood Citizen Patrol. When the officer attempted to make contact with suspect, he attempted to ram the patrol officer with his vehicle. The suspect then fled the scene with the officer in pursuit. The officer attempted to perform a Pursuit Intervention Technique to end the pursuit but the maneuver failed. The officer terminated the pursuit due to the danger to innocent bystanders. Through investigation, the identity of the suspect was learned and he was later arrested without incident at his residence.
- **Burglary/Eluding:** An officer spotted a suspicious vehicle in a construction zone. When the officer went to investigate, the vehicle drove off at a very high rate of speed and failed to yield to the police officer. After a brief pursuit, the suspect vehicle stopped, reversed and rammed the pursuing officer. The suspect then took off with officers pursuing him. The suspect vehicle eventually ended up driving into a dead-end and the driver exited the vehicle and fled into the night. A police K9 was brought to the scene and located the suspect, who was arrested for numerous felony charges, including Burglary, Eluding and Assault on an Officer.



Patrol Division Activity	2015
Patrol Drug Arrests	693
Notice of Infraction	10,881
Arrest/Charges	2,765
Number of Reports	9,816
Calls for Service	38,540
D.U.I.'s	217



Crime Scene Technician Unit

Personnel

The Crime Scene Technician Unit is authorized five Patrol Division officers who receive a collateral assignment to this specialized unit. Four crime scene technician (CST's) officers are currently deployed in the patrol squads; staffing each of the patrol squads with a specially trained officer and providing round-the-clock field coverage. Officers of the Crime Scene Technician Unit respond to both routine and major incidents to assist other officers with evidence identification and collection. On serious incidents or major crime scenes, additional CST's may respond from their homes to assist with evidence collection and other scene processing duties. CST's will coordinate their duties and collection of forensic evidence with detectives from the Criminal Investigation Division.

The Crime Scene Technician Unit is currently supervised by a sergeant in the Criminal Investigations Division.

Accomplishments

Crime scene technicians may process crime scenes for forensic or trace evidence, including latent or left behind impressions. In some instances, when a Crime Scene Technician cannot immediately respond and the evidence requires special handling, patrol officers will give the victim instructions to avoid handling certain items and request a CST to respond when available. Proper collection of the evidence in the field helps to identify and later apprehend those responsible for crimes.

Crime scene technicians receive advanced training courses and technical experience in processing the initial crime scene. This year, two of the four CST's transferred to other

assignments, opening the way for junior officers to enter this



Bullet Trajectory Analysis can assist crime investigations.

assignment. Our new CST's are receiving specialized training in photography, trace evidence collection, crime scene management, drug identification and latent print lifting.

Latent, or left behind, fingerprint evidence can be enhanced for Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) computer submission to identify the source. With skilled evidence collection and AFIS technician analysis, even just a partial latent print can yield suspect identification. These field and lab techniques combine to produce better results in identifying the perpetrator.

Our Department currently has three qualified AFIS technicians who evaluate fingerprint evidence and process it through state and national databases. These AFIS technicians are former CST's and their experience in this highly specialized area continues to be invaluable to identify otherwise unknown criminals.



Crime Scene Technician Unit

Accomplishments (continued)

Our in-house AFIS processing allows prioritization of cases. In some instances, a single fingerprint at crime scenes has identified a suspect's name in less than an hour after the crime occurred. Patrol officers have also successfully identified the true-identity of deceptive people on traffic and investigatory stops through collection and immediate processing of the fingerprint in the AFIS lab.

CST Statistics	2015
CST Staffing *	3.5
Latent Cases Submitted	76
AFIS Quality	22
Comparison Quality	8
Identification Quality based on Submissions (AFIS/ Comparison)	39%

* Because of staffing, cases received near the end of each year are processed by AFIS technicians in the following year and may increase the identification rate.



Officer Brad Reorda uses a laser to determine ballistic trajectory at a crime scene.



Crime scene yields possible evidence.









Sergeant David Harris

Mission

The mission of the Lynnwood Police Department Traffic Section is to promote and provide a safe transportation environment to motorists, pedal cyclists, and pedestrians through education, engineering, and enforcement to improve the quality of life of our citizens.

Supplementary functions of this mission include traffic enforcement, collision prevention and investigation, impaired driver enforcement, traffic control at civic functions, parades and processions, responding to high priority patrol calls when available, community traffic complaint investigations, child safety restraint training, photograph red light review and enforcement, and other traffic related training.

Personnel

Authorized staffing for the Traffic Section consists of six traffic officers and one traffic sergeant. The additional staffing for the DUI/DRE position was re-assigned to the Patrol Division.

Activity and Accomplishments

Two thousand fifteen was a relatively healthy year for members of the Traffic Section. Only one officer was out for most of the year, recovering from two separate injuries. As in years past, several officers were temporarily assigned to the Patrol Division to serve as field Training officers.

With the re-assignment of the DUI/DRE position we did see a slight reduction with our criminal traffic citations and charges.

The Traffic Section continues to work with the Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC) and focus on high visibility, multijurisdictional traffic enforcement projects. These projects include Target Zero DUI enforcement, Distracted Driving and the Click-It-Or-Ticket emphasis details. We continue to participate with the commission's regularly scheduled meetings and have become an integral part in the WTSC enforcement decision making process, which directly affects funding and resource disbursement throughout the region.

Traffic officers organized and presented several courses for both Lynnwood University and the Police Department Citizen's Academy. They also presented several classes in occupant safety to parents with children attending our local schools. In addition, the Traffic Section demonstrates great community support by assisting in traffic calming, local public motorcycle safety demonstrations and traffic safety talks to our local civic groups.



Traffic Section

We believe in comprehensive customer service principles by responding to every citizen who filed a traffic complaint. Each complainant received a phone call, letter, email or personal visit from a traffic officer or the unit supervisor. This commitment extends to our on-line reporting system users as well, where every person received written notification of their incident.

The radar speed warning trailers continued to be deployed throughout the City of Lynnwood to areas of concern that had pervasiveness for vehicles speeding and/or citizen complaints.

Traffic personnel continue to attend specialized training programs in 2015. Motorcycle officers received their re-certifications in motorcycle qualifications both at the WSP training facility in Shelton and locally during quarterly qualifications. Three of our officers attended the North American Motor Officers Association (NAMOA) training as well.

Specific Accomplishments

Members of the Traffic Section were occasionally rotated to the Patrol Division throughout the year in order to supplement manpower and maintain an acceptable response time for patrol calls for service. With this reduction in staffing, officers continued to perform their responsibilities with excellence. They are seasoned officers driven by loyalty, motivation and self-reliance.

Throughout 2015 members of the Traffic Section continued to serve as trainers in the areas of defensive tactics, firearms instruction, drug and alcohol impaired driving, collision investigation, field training of new officers and advanced motorcycle operations. This teamwork and collaborative effort is not only required, but also essential in achieving the overall mission of the Department.

Education, engineering and enforcement are the three tools utilized to accomplish the Traffic Section's mission. In 2015, the unit's enforcement efforts accounted for the issuance of over 5,700 Notice of Infractions and 163 Criminal Traffic charges.

The Traffic Section continued to conduct the photo enforcement review process for the City of Lynnwood. The Traffic Section staff conducted over 44,000 photo enforcement reviews.



Lynnwood Police Department Motor units.



Traffic Section

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

The Traffic Section continued to conduct selected traffic enforcement emphases. These emphases were designed to target specific areas and specific traffic violations throughout the City. The enforcement efforts were targeted towards collision causing violations; violations such as speeding, aggressive driving, red-light running and pedestrian related violations. This approach is having a positive effect. Moving forward, the Traffic Section intends on increasing the frequency of these emphases and finding ways to involve personnel from other units.

Grant Funding

The Traffic Section obtained over \$39,000 in overtime funding by the State for DUI, speeding, seatbelt and pedestrian enforcement. Over the past nine years the Traffic Section has secured over \$527,000 in grant funds that significantly benefited the department's traffic safety efforts and ultimately provided a greater level of security and quality of life for the citizens we serve.

Collision Statistics	2015	
Roadway Collisions	1,354	
Private Property Collisions	91	
Injury Collisions	251	
Fatal Collisions	3	
Pedestrian/Cyclist Involved	37	
Traffic Section Statistical Activity		
Notices of Infraction	5,587	
Criminal Traffic Citations	65	
Criminal Non-Traffic Citations	23	
Reports	981	





Special Operations Section

Sergeant Jason Valentine

Mission

The mission of the Special Operations Section (SOS) is to conduct street level enforcement working with the Patrol and Criminal Investigations Divisions and the South Snohomish County Narcotics Task Force to identify criminal activity and to employ creative tactics not amenable to interdiction by the conventional operations of these units.

Personnel

The Special Operations Section was authorized four officers and one sergeant however one position was vacant for the entire year and another for half the year.

Activity and Accomplishments

The Special Operations Section continued to positively impact crime in 2015. The unit focused on serious offenders and felony crime trends affecting the Lynnwood community. S.O.S. underwent a turnover in personnel during the second quarter of the year. Two new officers were assigned to the unit from the Patrol Division, while one senior S.O.S. officer was reassigned back to the Patrol Division. Additionally, in the fourth quarter, one officer was transferred to the Criminal Investigations Division.

As expected, the above personnel changes required an initial "Field Training" process in order to develop the advanced policing/investigative skills necessary for a proficient S.O.S. officer. Despite the turnover and time spent with new officer development and training, overall unit arrest productivity increased.

A directed patrol emphasis and utilization of specialized investigative methods enabled for achievement of unit objectives. The primary unit mission consisted of identifying, deterring and eliminating crime problems throughout the City. Specific strategies, activity and accomplishments are as follows:

- Addressing criminal "Hot Spots" within the City: Through intelligence sharing, trend analysis and proactive enforcement efforts, the unit addressed criminal activity at various "Hot Spots" in the City. By focusing efforts in these locations, officers made 589 arrests. Due to these enforcement efforts, criminal activity at the locations was effectively reduced.
- **Fugitive apprehension:** In seeking felony offenders and wanted individuals, S.O.S. officers arrested numerous fugitives, clearing over 300 outstanding arrest warrants. The majority of these suspects were convicted felons who likely were associated with ongoing criminal activity. Additionally, S.O.S. officers apprehended a number of suspects who were listed as "Washington's Most Wanted."



Special Operations Section

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

Targeting serious offenders: S.O.S. • officers located and arrested suspects who had committed a variety of felony offenses, including; Robbery, Burglary, Auto Theft, Unlawful Firearms Possession, Narcotics Possession and Trafficking, Identity Theft, Forgery, Theft, Eluding, Possession/ Trafficking of Stolen Property and Assault. (In October, S.O.S. officers arrested a dangerous fugitive who was affiliated with an organized motorcycle gang and prolific vehicle theft ring. The fugitive, who had multiple outstanding felony warrants, had been on the run for weeks after reportedly shooting at officers in a nearby police department. S.O.S. officers apprehended him without incident).



Night vision assistance aides the Special Operations team.

- **Gang enforcement:** Officers continued a proactive and multi-faceted approach to identify and combat gang activity within our community. A "zero tolerance" stance, combined with education, allowed for gang activity to remain limited. Lynnwood, like every community, has a gang presence. However, the incidence of gang related crimes remains low due to the proactive efforts of S.O.S. and patrol officers. Through street-level drug investigations and gang enforcement efforts, S.O.S. officers were successful in removing a number of weapons from the Lynnwood streets. (Also see "Gun Crimes" and "Seizures" categories below).
- **Registered sex offender audits:** S.O.S. conducted over 100 registered sex offender checks in 2015. Some of these checks resulted in violations and subsequent "failure to register" felony charges on the offender. These regular audits encourage compliance by offenders and therefore potentially reduced their opportunity to re-offend.
- Collaboration with law enforcement partners: S.O.S. officers effectively partnered with investigators from agencies across the Puget Sound region, achieving results through combining resources and sharing intelligence information. Our officers also partnered with Department of Corrections (Lynnwood office) to monitor and contact certain high risk offenders who reside in the City.



Special Operations Section

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

- SWAT: Officer Olesen served as an operator and squad leader for North Sound Metro SWAT, a regional tactical team.
- **Instructing:** Members of the unit served as instructors in "Patrol In-Service Refresher" training, providing instruction and tactical training to officers in various units of the Lynnwood Police Department.

Due to the hard work of the officers assigned to Special Operations, the unit sustained last year's upward trend in arrest productivity. Moving forward, we will continue to emphasize interdiction of serious criminal activity, proactively employing creative methods to identify and address emerging crime trends.

SOS Statistics	2015
Arrests	
NEW Felony - Arrest	160
NEW Misd Arrest	145
AOA Arrest	9
Warrant Arrest	253
Arrest Assist	22
Sub-Category Arrests	
Gun Crimes	11
Felony Narcotics	70
Misd. Narcotics	59
Additional (Qty)	
RSO Checks	104
Operations	5
Search Warrants Served	27
Stolen Vehicles Recovered	13
Seizures	
Cash	\$9,111
Property	\$28,522
Guns	11



S.O.S. focuses on serious offenders and felony crime trends affecting the Lynnwood community.

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Officer Jake Hubby Canine "Edson" Officer Jake Shorthill Canine "Eli"

Officer Joe Dickinson Canine "Zando" Officer Warren Creech Canine "Earl"

Canine Unit

Mission

The mission of the Canine Unit is to support the Patrol Division through the application of police service dogs trained in tracking, apprehension and narcotics detection in order to enhance officer safety, the capture of suspects and assist in evidence collection.

Personnel

Authorized staffing for the Canine Unit is four full-time dog handlers. Supervision of the Canine Unit is a collateral assignment of a sergeant of police.

Activity and Accomplishments

All four canine teams maintained a regimented training schedule to ensure compliance with departmental policy and Washington State accreditation standards.

Sgt. Langdon, a former canine handler, continued his association with the Basic Law Enforcement Academy by teaching new police recruits about basic canine tactics. Sgt. Langdon is recognized by the Washington State Canine Association as being a "Master Trainer" and is highly sought after for training and problem solving by other agencies throughout the State. Both Sergeant Langdon and Sergeant Zatylny assisted other police agencies by conducting canine accreditations.

Ongoing fundraising was held to assist the Canine Unit in raising funds for specialty equipment and training. The monies received from the fundraising allowed for the purchase of specialty equipment for the canines and provided for advanced tactical training for the officers.

The Canine Unit gave presentations for the Citizen's Academy, Rotary, Kiwanis, Eagles and the Chamber of Commerce to improve the image of the unit and to increase support for the canines and officers. The Canine Unit also did a large public demonstration at Veteran's Park.

A community member, Scott Pinzon, produced three high quality videos of the Canine Unit that were posted on the website, uploaded to YouTube and distributed to local media outlets. These videos were made to show a "day in the life" of the canine teams.

During the course of the year, the Canine Unit had 280 applications which resulted in 143 apprehensions.



Canine Unit

Activity (continued)

Officer Creech and K-9 Earl:

- Officer Creech responded to Edmonds for a track on a residential burglary suspect. The suspect burglarized an apartment directly adjacent to the Madrona School property. K9 Earl tracked through the woods around the entire school property and the suspect was eventually flushed back into a containment unit. During the track, K9 Earl was able to locate several items of evidence and recover the victim's property, including an expensive laptop, which the suspect had stashed in the wooded area.
- K9 Statistics2015Total Applications280Activities280Arrests/Apprehensions143Bites3Total Unit Training Hours:1,117
- Officer Creech responded to a robbery at Baskin Robbins where the suspect displayed a handgun. K9

Earl and Officer Creech arrived on scene first and were waived down by witnesses who indicated the suspect fled into a wooded area. The suspect could be heard crashing through brush but stopped making noise when K9 Earl was taken out of the patrol car. The suspect remained hidden in the woods while probable cause was confirmed. After a K9 announcement was made, the suspect surrendered immediately and was safely detained without incident. Officers recovered a fake black handgun from the scene of the arrest.

Officer Creech deployed K9 Earle 73 times in search of criminal suspects and they were able to apprehend 22 of those suspects.

Officer Dickinson and K-9 Zando:

- Officer Dickinson and K9 Zando responded to assist another agency with the Violation of a Domestic Violence Protection Order. The suspect had assaulted his parents in violation of the order and had fled on foot. K9 Zando tracked the suspect into a swampy area and located the suspect hiding under the water.
- Officer Dickinson and K9 Zando performed a narcotics sniff on a vehicle. As a result of this sniff, a search warrant was obtained to search the car. During the search, seven rifles and four handguns were found and taken off the street.

Officer Dickinson and K9 Zando were deployed 78 times during the course of the year. These deployments led to the arrest of 31 individuals.



Canine Unit

Activity (continued)

Officer Hubby and K-9 Edison:

- Officer Hubby responded to a felony harassment call where the suspect had threatened to kill the victim and had violated a Domestic Violence Protection Order. Officer Hubby used K9 Edson to search for the suspect and K9 Edson was able to locate the suspect before he could return the victim's residence and carry out his threats of violence.
- Officer Hubby and K9 Edson responded to assist another officer who had been assaulted by a criminal suspect. The suspect had assaulted the officer and fled on foot. K9 Edson was able to locate the suspect and he was arrested without incident.

Officer Hubby deployed K9 Edson 34 times in search of criminal suspects and they were able to apprehend 17 criminal suspects.

Officer Shorthill and K-9 Eli:

- Officer Shorthill responded to Mukilteo for a track of a felony warrant subject that had fled from an apartment into the large complex. K9 Eli worked the area and strongly indicated on the side of a building several hundred feet away. K9 Eli jumped upward toward the second level patio approximately 30 minutes after the suspect had fled. Officers were let inside the apartment and located the suspect who was lying flat on the patio pretending to be asleep.
- Officer Shorthill responded to a pursuit where Sgt. Riener was chasing a vehicle that had burglarized the new Costco. The vehicle rammed Sgt. Riener and then crashed. The driver fled on foot. K9 Eli tracked the suspect and located him hiding in a tree.

Officer Shorthill and K-9 Eli were deployed 95 times during the course of the year. Their deployments resulted in the arrest of 73 criminal suspects.







North Sound Metro SWAT Team

Mission

The mission of the North Sound Metro Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team is to respond to high-risk incidents that require specialized training and equipment and attempt to resolve potentially dangerous situations without injury or loss of life to officers, suspects, or uninvolved citizens.

Personnel

The North Sound Metro SWAT Team is a multi-jurisdictional unit composed of two distinct elements; the SWAT (tactical) team, and the Hostage Negotiation Team (HNT). The team is comprised of officers from the following municipal jurisdictions: Bothell, Edmonds, Kirkland, Lake Forest Park, Lynnwood, Mill Creek, Monroe, Mountlake Terrace, and Mukilteo. The full integration of officers from all nine cities took about three years. The team is now a fully functional integrated unit that services a population base of over a quarter million citizens. Current staffing for tactical operators is 29, plus three team commanders. HNT had 10 officers assigned to that element in 2015. Command of the team is rotated between the participating agencies.

Activity and Accomplishments

The current Commander is from the Lynnwood Police Department. Over the past year North Sound Metro SWAT conducted six operations, all with successful conclusions, without injury to suspects, victims or officers. Training was conducted on a monthly basis with an emphasis of building one tactically sound cohesive team comprised of officers from the nine cities. Additionally, the team conducted its week-long training cycle at Camp Rilea, utilizing in-house trainers in a mock urbanized environment with a two-story live shoot house.

A summary of 2015 North Sound Metro SWAT operations are as follows:

• A Kirkland burglary/identity theft investigation resulted in the identification of a suspect and information that he was armed and staying at an apartment in Bellevue. Given the criminal history of the suspect, the nature of his crimes and site considerations of his living environment, it was determined SWAT would be requested for the warrant service. North Sound Metro SWAT and Bellevue SWAT collaborated to serve two simultaneous warrants at two apartments in the same complex. The suspect was arrested without incident.



North Sound Metro SWAT Team

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

- A robbery suspect had been on an all-night crime spree in Lynnwood, Edmonds and Mountlake Terrace. His crimes included Robbery, Vehicle Theft, Burglary and Unlawful Possession of Firearms. While being pursued by police, the suspect broke into an occupied residence creating a temporary hostage situation. After several minutes the hostages escaped, leaving the suspect barricaded in their home. North Sound Metro SWAT responded and after a day-long stand-off successfully apprehended the suspect after a variety of tactical interventions. There were no injuries sustained during this operation.
- A joint investigation between the Eastside Narcotics Task Force, FBI and Seattle Police Department resulted in the indictment of multiple suspects involved in controlled substance distribution and firearms trafficking. North Sound Metro SWAT served a search warrant at one of the suspect's residence taking him into custody.
- As the result of an Eastside Narcotics Task Force investigation into the distribution of controlled substances and firearms, a search warrant was obtained for the suspect's residence. North Sound Metro SWAT served the search warrant, which resulted in the arrest of the primary suspect as well as other individuals.
- The Eastside Narcotics Task Force investigated two separate drug traffickers dealing in heroin and methamphetamine. The suspects had violent histories and resided in two separate rooms in a Seattle motel. North Sound Metro SWAT served the search warrants at the motel rooms. One suspect complied immediately and was taken into custody. The second suspect barricaded himself in the bathroom. After a short standoff and tactical interventions by SWAT, the suspect surrendered. He sustained minor scratches from door debris, but was otherwise uninjured.
- Monroe Police Department detectives developed probable cause to obtain a search warrant for the home of several suspects involved in residential burglaries and identity theft. The residence was located in Everett and the property contained several structures, motor homes and vehicles. The suspects were identified as

having violent histories to include assault on police officers. North Sound Metro SWAT served the search warrant. All involved suspects were detained as well as others affiliated with the suspects and living on the property. In all, 13 suspects were detained after being located in a variety of hiding places such as vehicles, motorhomes and the residence.







Detention Division

Commander James Nelson

Mission

The mission of the Detention Division is to consistently deliver safe and secure housing of inmates for the benefit of the court, the Citizens of Lynnwood, and our contract agencies, while simultaneously providing cost effective detainment and alternatives to incarceration.

Personnel

Authorized staffing for the Detention Division was one Police Commander, two Custody Sergeants and 14 full-time Custody Officers. The jail carried one vacancy for the majority of 2015, which is in the process of being filled.

Activity and Accomplishments

The Lynnwood Jail houses arrested and sentenced misdemeanor offenders for the City of Lynnwood and several local contract agencies. The jail continued to operate at or near maximum capacity throughout the year. The maximum number of jail beds for females is 12 and 34 for male prisoners. The average length of stay for an inmate at the Lynnwood Jail in 2015 was a little over six days with an average daily population of 39 prisoners. The total revenue generated from holding contract prisoners was approximately \$161,000. The Detention Division also provided full-time security services to the Lynnwood Municipal Court throughout the year.



The Lynnwood Jail remains one of the busiest small jails in the State. In 2015 there were 3,001 inmates booked on 4,628 charges.

Chief Jensen swearing in Custody Officer Blaine and Custody Officer Hartford.

The Lynnwood Jail houses prisoners with certain medical, behavioral or psychiatric needs at contract jails. Historically, the vast majority of these inmates were housed at the Snohomish County Jail. In late 2013 changes in practice there resulted in the Lynnwood Jail having to find alternatives for these inmates. A contract was established with the SCORE (South Correctional Entity) Jail. The contract housing cost per inmate rose significantly in 2015. The Lynnwood Municipal Court is able to use video court proceedings for inmates housed at the SCORE Jail which is important as it is located approximately 1.5 hours from the Lynnwood Criminal Justice Center.



Detention Division

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

Additionally, the Lynnwood Jail houses overflow prisoners at the Snohomish County Jail and three other contract jails (Chelan County, Okanogan County and the City of Sunnyside) to control jail population and address inmates serving prolonged sentences. Of these, the Lynnwood Jail primarily utilizes the Chelan County Jail due to its reduced rates for housing prisoners who have been sentenced to a term of incarceration.

Continued efforts from the Court, Police Department, City Prosecutor's Office, Public Defender and the staff of the Detention Division resulted in significant savings in jail fees through the reduction of the number of Lynnwood prisoners housed at other agency jails.

Jail Medical Program

In mid-2015 the Lynnwood Jail Medical Program was implemented. The City of Lynnwood contracted with a medical service provider to provide medical service for the inmates. Currently a nurse works five days a week with no more than one day off between shifts. The program is overseen by an assigned Physician who visits weekly.

The nurse reviews newly arrived inmate screening documents, answer inmate medical request, conducts additional screening on inmates housed over 14 days and reviews and prepares inmate prescriptions.

Electronic Home Detention and Community Service Programs

The Electronic Home Detention (EHD) program is an alternative to physical incarceration and is available to most low-level offenders. About 20 offenders are active on the EHD program at any given time. The program is managed by one designated custody officer. EHD participants pay a daily fee to be on the program and are monitored through a variety of sophisticated technologies. This allows offenders to stay at home or remain active with employment, education or treatment as ordered by the Court, while serving their sentence. Economic factors, as well as the reduction in sentences from the Lynwood Municipal Court, also contributed to program activity reductions. Despite these significant challenges, the EHD program remains an integral component to controlling jail population while creating a revenue stream for the City.

In 2015 the EHD program was suspended for several months due to staffing shortages, which is reflected in the following table. While the alterative for home detention still existed those wishing to apply were referred to private companies rather than being monitored by the EHD officer.

EHD/Community Service	2015
EHD Participants	84
Days Served - EHD	2,067
Net Revenue EHD	\$32,168
Community Service Participants (Paid/Completed)	111
Days Served – Community Service	439
Net Revenue Community Service	\$5,040



Detention Division

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

The Community Service Program, like EHD, continued to be a valuable incarceration alternative for the City. This program provides an inexpensive and meaningful alternative to traditional lockup for offenders who qualify and who have shorter sentences to serve. The Police, Parks, Public Works and other community development departments and programs benefited from work provided by these low-level offenders. The Lynnwood Food Bank and the Public Library were also aided by services provided by the program.



Shift Change at the Lynnwood Jail.

Cost Savings

The EHD and Community Service programs saved the jail valuable bed space. Days served on these programs equate to an estimated savings for the City of \$212,968. The bed-day savings combined with actual revenue generation was \$431,552.

Detention Element to the County-wide Civil Disturbance Team (ALERT)

Five custody officers received specialized training and joined the multi-jurisdictional civil disturbance team. The jail commander was added to the command cadre of this specialized unit.

Video Court Services

The Lynnwood jail continued to utilize video court services at the Snohomish County Jail for inmates housed that had pending Lynnwood Municipal Court cases. In addition, the Lynnwood Jail now utilizes video court

with the SCORE Jail. This greatly reduced the need for prisoner transports which enhances both inmate and officer safety as well as staff time for transport.

Community Outreach

Several Custody Officers participated with the annual Christmas "Shop with a Cop" program, the Lynnwood Police Explorer Post, Coffee with a Cop, Special Olympics and other community events.

Passed Juvenile Holding Site Inspection/Audit

The Lynnwood Jail processed 221 juvenile arrestees during 2015.



Sgt. McGinnis lending a hand our annual "Shop with a Cop".

Jail Revenue	2015
EHD	\$32,168
Com. Svc.	\$5,040
Extensions	\$3,960
Contract Jail Housing - Revenue	\$161,034
Inmate Phone System	\$16,382
Total	\$218,584





Lynnwood Police Department Bureau of Investigations and Services

Deputy Chief Bryan Stanifer

The Bureau of Investigations and Services is comprised of the Criminal Investigations Division inclusive of the South Snohomish County Narcotics Task Force, Support Services/Records Division inclusive of the Property and Evidence Section, Administrative Division inclusive of the Training, Planning and Accreditation Section and Office of Professional Standards and the Community Health and Safety Section which is inclusive of the Crime Prevention Section, Animal Control and Explorer Unit. The employees in this Bureau serve in a support role for the rest of the department, as well as providing direct service to the public.

We are a Bureau dedicated to proudly serving the Citizens of Lynnwood and ensuring a high-quality of life. We work hard on developing and maintaining positive, productive and progressive relationships with our community. Citizen engagement efforts were a priority in 2015. Enhanced public communications via social media were instituted to facilitate this.

We continue to be forward-looking and are committed to employing crime reduction strategies that yield results. Implementation of a long-awaited countywide records management system was achieved in 2015. This last year we undertook an internal efficiency review analyzing all operations of the department. This included a workload and staffing study. We also updated our core mission, vision and values statements. Two supervisory retreats were held which provided a framework for updating our five-year strategic plan. Promotional assessments were conducted in preparation for retirements and continuity of leadership.

The **Criminal Investigations Division** realizes that effective law enforcement involves more than just making arrests. CID is committed to building solid cases that lead to successful prosecution. Similarly, the *South Snohomish Narcotics Task Force* has been lauded by the Snohomish County Prosecutor's Office for their superb investigative work in 2015.

The **Community Health and Safety Section** worked interdepartmentally to address criminal activity and blight that cause social deterioration of our community. Business licensing efficiencies were made in 2015 to streamline the approval and renewal process. As well, staff participated in the homelessness response initiative where the YWCA was selected to conduct a pilot project to address the challenges involved in this critical area. Our *Crime Prevention Specialists* coordinate a very successful and highly emulated volunteer program consisting of over 85 volunteers. Through their efforts close to 13,000 hours of service was provided to the City and other regional partners. This is the equivalent of 6.5 full-time staff. Our *Animal Control Unit* continued to investigate animal bites and aggressive dog complaints as well as emphasized enforcement of disabled parking violations.

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Lynnwood Police Department Bureau of Investigations and Services

The Administrative Division processed over eight new hires which included scheduling and participation in oral boards, scheduling pre-employment screening tests and conducting and/or supervising background investigations. The *Training, Planning and Accreditation Section* provided over 17,000 hours of required and discretionary training to our personnel. All members received training in defensive tactics, firearms, policy updates, emergency vehicle operations and assorted other pertinent areas. The *Office of Professional Standards* continued to provide substantial policy updates, completed internal audits and conducted administrative investigations to ensure we perform at the highest professional levels possible.

Reflecting the public's interest in the activities of the Department, the **Support Services Division** experienced a sharp increase in public disclosure requests. Staff processed over 1,800 reports to various entities. As well, 171 complex public records requests were attended to. Council approved the addition of a public disclosure clerk to help with this increased workload. Our *Property and Evidence Section* processed more than 7,200 pieces of evidence.

As evidenced throughout this entire annual report, LPD is committed to collaboration with other City departments, outside agencies and our citizens and business community. In 2015 the City of Lynnwood entered into an agreement with Snohomish County to provide robust services in emergency management. Chief Jensen participated on a countywide committee that is charged with exploring possible funding mechanisms to replace the Snohomish County Emergency Radio System whose useful life will end by 2020. Earnest efforts are underway as well to analyze the possibility of consolidating the two Snohomish County 911 centers.

The Lynnwood Police Department is considered a regional leader in the law enforcement community. This is due primarily to the high-quality people we employ, our innovative use of technology and our steadfast refusal to accept the status quo. I am very proud of the accomplishments of the personnel in our Bureau as you will see detailed in the pages that follow.





Criminal Investigations Division

Commander Steve Rider

Mission

The mission of the Lynnwood Police Department Criminal Investigations Division (CID) is to deliver the highest quality of investigative service for the residential and business community of Lynnwood in order to hold accountable those who commit criminal offenses.

Personnel

Authorized staffing for 2015 included a commander, a sergeant in charge of crimes against persons, a sergeant in charge of crimes against property, two person's crimes detectives, three property crimes detectives and one detective that worked both property and person's crimes. During the majority of the year, however, the division was not fully staffed due to the assignment of detectives to acting supervisory roles in the operations bureau. The Criminal Investigations Division was also supported by a crime victim coordinator who interacted with crime victims to help guide them through the criminal justice system.

Activity and Accomplishments

In 2015 we recognized a drop in case assignments and closures as the result of the combination of reduced staffing, technology implementation impacting efficiency, the number of major cases requiring significant investigative time and the diversion of cases from the detective division to the operations division.

Every criminal case report is reviewed by one of two CID sergeants, who determine if there are solvability factors. If there are, the case is assigned to detectives for investigation, except in the case of misdemeanor property crimes, which are sometimes assigned to Patrol, Traffic or Special Operations.

All Part I violent crimes are assigned for investigation whether there are solvability factors present or not. Every closed case is reviewed by a CID sergeant to ensure the quality of the investigation and the appropriateness of the closure. In addition to that review, a closure letter is sent to the reporting party or victim to advise them of the outcome of the investigation.

Enforcement Measures

A key statistical measurement for the Criminal Investigations Division is the measure of "*potentially solvable cases resulting in criminal enforcement*" calculated as a percentage of assigned cases. This is a single statistical snapshot of how effective the investigators are at taking cases with solvability potential and their ability to develop enough information to either arrest or file charges on a suspect or suspects.



Criminal Investigations Division

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

A second valuable statistical measure is "*criminal charges by arrest*." This statistic illustrates the percentage of cases where enforcement is taken by arrest rather than by filing charges. This is an important measure for a few reasons. One is that it means the suspect is placed into physical custody when probable cause exists and therefore is unable to victimize others while incarcerated. Another reason is that the suspect is held accountable for his/her crimes sooner than those who remain free while awaiting a charging decision or having a warrant issued for their arrest that may not be served for a lengthy period of time.

Another important consideration is that if the suspect is taken into custody the detective will have an opportunity to interview him/her, which will further the investigation. These interviews and interrogations are vitally important in providing prosecutors with as complete a picture as possible of what occurred in a particular incident. The proactive arrest and interview/interrogation of suspects is a continued area of focus for CID detectives.

In 2015 potentially solvable cases	resulting in criminal action was	s 63% with cases resulting in arrest at 30%.
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Key Statistics Table	2015
Assigned Cases	1,147
Cleared Cases	1,060
Physical Arrests	150
Potentially Solvable Cases Resulting in Criminal Action	63%
Criminal Charges by Arrest	30%

Cases of Interest

- Lynnwood officers responded to a robbery at Target located at 18305 Alderwood Mall Pkwy. An 80year old female victim reported that as she was nearing her vehicle in the parking lot she was confronted by a male who pushed her into her car and then took her billfold containing her identification and cash. The suspect fled in a vehicle. Officer Reed was able to obtain the license number of the suspect vehicle and a picture of the suspect via Target video. The suspect vehicle was found at a Lynnwood address. After a short standoff the 35-year old male suspect surrendered and was arrested. Det. Jorgensen obtained search warrants for the residence and the suspect's vehicle. Evidence of the crime was located. Suspect was booked for Robbery 1.
- A young Hispanic male was shot while sitting in his friend's car at Shari's restaurant. The shooter fled the scene in his truck and crashed on a nearby street. Within hours the suspect was located and taken into custody. He admitted to the shooting but claimed it was an accident. There was no relation or interaction between the suspect and victim that sparked the assault. This was a totally random shooting. The suspect is currently in jail on \$1 million bail.



Criminal Investigations Division

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

- Lynnwood officers responded to a welfare check of a male that had not been heard from in a few days. Officers located the male deceased in his apartment with apparent blunt force trauma. The investigation revealed the victim met the suspect via a Craigslist ad. Less than two weeks later the suspect murdered the victim and fled the State in the victim's car. The suspect was caught in San Jose almost a month later, was extradited to Washington State and is currently in jail on \$1 million bail.
- Detective DeGabriele investigated a \$142,000 employee embezzlement case from Zumies. The investigation took approximately six months and resulted in the suspect being identified and arrested on multiple felony crimes. The investigation of this case included interviews of several involved parties, high ranking officials from Zumiez and out of state financial contacts.
- One of Lynnwood's computer forensic examiners recovered video evidence, thought to be previously erased, on the camera of a suspect caught at a Monroe library looking at child pornography. The video evidence showed molestation footage involving his 4-year old granddaughter. The suspect pled guilty and is serving a lengthy sentence.
- Detective Teachworth conducted an investigation into a residential door kick burglary and identified the suspect as a wanted career criminal. He served several search warrants during the investigation of this case, while also utilizing cutting edge electronic surveillance methods to track the suspect's movement. The suspect was tracked over a two week period. Surveillance teams were present when the suspect committed another residential burglary. He was arrested and convicted for his crimes and is currently spending several years in prison.







Victim Services Coordinator

Tiffany Krusey Victim Services Coordinator

Activity

The Lynnwood Police Department is authorized one Victim Services Coordinator who serves as the liaison between crime victims, the prosecutor's office and the detectives investigating cases. The Victim Services Coordinator contacts all victims of domestic violence as well as the victims of other crimes as necessary in an effort to help them navigate the criminal justice system. The table (right) below represents activity for this position during 2015. Additionally, the Victim Services Coordinator provides information on services offered throughout the county and provides a child friendly environment for victims and their families.



Children's corner in the Victim Services Office.

Case and Victim Information	2015	
Cases		
Criminal Cases	436	
Verbal Cases	211	
Services Provided		
In-Person Contacts	278	
Follow-ups	246	
Phone Calls	1,416	
Victim Gender		
Victim - Female	374	
Victim - Male	138	
Victim Age		
Victim - <19	106	
Victim - 20-29	101	
Victim - 30-39	108	
Victim - 40-49	93	
Victim - 50-59	49	
Victim - 60+	32	
Children / Witnesses		
Children in the home	166	
Child Witnesses	129	
Adult Witnesses	216	



South Snohomish County Narcotics Task Force

Mission

The mission of the South Snohomish County Narcotics Task Force (Task Force) is to target drug violators having an impact on the communities of Edmonds, Lynnwood, and Mountlake Terrace and to reduce drug availability through professional investigation, apprehension and conviction of drug traffickers thereby improving the quality of life in south Snohomish County.

Personnel

Authorized staffing for the task force in 2015 consists of one Lynnwood sergeant, who served as the rotational sergeant, two Lynnwood narcotics detectives, one Edmonds narcotics detective and one Mountlake Terrace narcotics detective (currently vacant).

Activity and Accomplishments

Operation Takeout

The Task Force spent a good part of 2015 working on two joint Task Force/Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) investigations. Both cases were generated by the Task Force and investigated with the assistance of DEA. One of the cases remains on-going while the second case concluded successfully. The concluded case resulted in significant narcotics and firearms seizures along with many federal indictments of members of a Mexican Drug Trafficking Organization.



Seized handguns, magazines, bullet proof vest.



South Snohomish County Narcotics Task Force

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)



During 2015 the Task Force also investigated a number of State cases impacting the south Snohomish County area. These cases involved large marijuana grow operations, heroin trafficking and a variety of other criminal narcotics investigations. The table below represents a snapshot of the drugs and assets seized by the Task Force in 2015.

Currency, crystal methamphetamine and firearms from a secret vehicle compartment.

Asset Seizure	2015
Cash	\$59,892
Vehicles	8
Guns	46

Narcotics Seizures (listed in grams)	
Marijuana Processed	125,047
Cocaine	416
Crack cocaine	4
Methamphetamine	6,474
Heroin	879



High capacity firearms seized.




Support Services Division

Angie Madsen Support Services Manager

Mission

The mission of the Support Services Division is to provide a variety of services to the Public, commissioned officers, prosecutors, attorneys, insurance companies, City departments and other police agencies, primarily of which is the maintenance and dissemination of records in compliance with applicable laws to protect the privacy of citizens.

Personnel

The Support Services Division is open to the public nine hours per day, seven days a week. Authorized staffing consists of one support services manager and six full-time clerk/matrons. All are civilian positions.

Activity and Accomplishments

Activity of the Support Services Division fluctuates greatly, depending both upon the demands of the public and assistance required by officers. Serving as the central repository for the more than 10,000 police reports and related documents generated by officers on a yearly basis, police clerks process reports for court, attorneys, detectives and other law enforcement agencies. It is through the Support Services Division that members of the public can request copies of reports, local criminal history information, clearance letters, get fingerprinted, statistical information, dispose of medication, license their pet, apply for a concealed weapon permit and federal firearms licenses. Technology improvements have allowed the electronic dissemination of reports, allowing the public to both submit and receive electronic copies of police reports.

2015 was an exciting year as the Support Services Division prepared for the launch of a brand-new computer aided dispatch, automatic field reporting, corrections and records management system (New World). Years of development and testing, along with months of training, culminated with the launch of the system on October 27. The new software allows for state mandated participation in the Federal National Incident Based Reporting System (an enhanced data collection system). The launch of the new software program also corresponded with an unexpected 50% reduction in staff due to injury, vacancy and a leave of absence. This resulted in reduced services available to the public and officers for approximately a two month period. Fortunately, the end of the year was marked on a positive note with restoration of staff positions (new hires) and return of others.



Support Services Division

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

Records Section Statistics	2015
Total Number of Police Reports Disseminated	1,806
Copies of reports sold, receipts processed	864
Complex Public Disclosure Requests	171
Bail receipts written and processed	634
Home detention receipts written and processed	113
Community service receipts written and processed	269
Individuals fingerprinted	1,168
Animal licenses sold	224
Concealed pistol licenses issued	288



Clerk Laura Winston, processes the prescription drug drop box.



LPD Clerk conducts pat down in detention center.



Clerk Vicki Gears, Police Clerk of the Year.





Evidence Technician Doug McCready

Mission

Evidence Technician Mike McBride

Property/Evidence Section

The mission of the Property/Evidence Section is to promptly and accurately enter, maintain and dispose of all evidence and property in order to preserve the integrity of the evidence for the officers and the court, and to serve the citizens by returning property or evidence immediately upon case disposition.

Personnel

Authorized staffing for the property/Evidence Section is two full-time evidence technicians.

Activity/Duties

- Processing of all property and evidence entered into the system, including the return of found property to rightful owners.
- Preparation and delivery of evidence for court proceedings.
- Maintenance and disposal of property and evidence in accordance with RCW's, state audit requirements, departmental and accreditation standards.
- Storage of City surplus property and records.
- Processing of seizure cases at the direction of the Investigations Commander.



Officer Doug McCready manages storage of evidence.



Property/Evidence Section

Accomplishments

Evidence officers provided a wide variety support to Departmental personnel and other City employees. Several times the evidence officers were called out in the field to assist with the collection of evidence from multiple sites after search warrants were served.

Activity/Statistics	2015
New Cases Processed	4,098
Total Pieces of Evidence	7,203
Average Pieces Per Case	1.8
Auction Proceeds	\$85,989
Funds Deposited to Lynnwood Accounts	
Task Force Drug and Vehicle Lynnwood's percent	\$59,010
Patrol Drug Seizure	\$25,443
Patrol Felony Seizure	0
General Fund	\$24,641
Equitable Share *	\$376,937
Total **	\$486,031



A gun locker in the evidence facility protects evidence.

*This amount was distributed for seizures/cases worked with the Department of Justice.

**This total reflects cases cleared during 2015 and not actual seizures for the year.





Administration Division

Commander Chuck Steichen

The Administrative Services Division is composed of the Planning, Training and Accreditation Section; the Office of Professional Standards; the Cadets; and department technologies, equipment, fleet and facilities. The proceeding pages will identify the specific missions and activities of each of these units. The focuses of the division include recruitment and hiring, managing state and federal grants, policy development and administration, managing training for all department staff and ensuring compliance with WASPC Accreditation standards, managing all department equipment and technologies, reporting and analysis of select law enforcement actions, providing administrative support to the command staff, and ensuring compliance with departmental policies and procedures through ongoing audits and investigations.

Personnel

Authorized staffing for the Administrative Services Division is one commander; one sergeant overseeing the Office of Professional Standards; one sergeant and one officer in the Planning, Training and Accreditation Section; one Equipment-Technology officer, and three police cadets.



Extensive and ongoing training sessions in police skills are conducted throughout the year.











Planning, Training and Accreditation Section

Officer Josh Kelsey Officer Bill Beers Sergeant Sean Doty

Mission

The mission of the Lynnwood Police Department Planning, Training, and Accreditation Section is to provide quality training on all aspects of police work to departmental members and employees, maintain accurate and up-to-date computerized training records consistent with WASPC Accreditation standards, maintain departmental technology and equipment, and to track the expenditure of training funds.

Personnel

Authorized staffing for the Planning, Training and Accreditation Section was one full-time sergeant, and two full-time officers, with one officer performing training functions and the other responsible for departmental technology, fleet and equipment management, maintenance and implementation.

The Planning, Training and Accreditation Section was effectively down one FTE (full time employee) for six months of the year. The training officer was temporarily reassigned for two months, and the training sergeant for four months. Regardless of staffing, the section remained busy facilitating and providing various mandatory and essential trainings as well as overseeing several department-wide projects, as described below.

The Training Section is also responsible for the Cadet Program. The Department employs three college students on a part-time basis as cadets who are interested in the field of criminal justice. The police cadets provide many services for the Department and community including fingerprinting, the transport of evidence, assisting in managing the fleet, training activities, records support, and many other efforts that support the agency's mission.



Cadet Alec Dyngen, Support Services Employee of the Year.



Planning, Training and Accreditation Section

Activity and Accomplishments

- The Training Section organized, scheduled, and facilitated six sessions of in-house Police Skills Refresher (PSR) training for all commissioned officers as required by State law. Each session consisted of 24 hours of training on topics such as legal update, hazardous materials, DUI updates, technology and equipment, defensive tactics training, breaching techniques and multi-assault counter-terrorism action capabilities. Officers practiced simulated pursuits, stop-sticks deployments, and post-PIT techniques during Emergency Vehicle Operations (EVOC) training.
- Organized, scheduled, and facilitated six departmental firearm qualification ranges that included daylight shooting and low-light pistol, rifle, shotgun and less-lethal training. Overall, 1,166 hours of training were dedicated to training in the high-liability use of firearms.
- During 2015, the Training Section coordinated and transitioned officers to a new duty sidearm. This project included the acquisition of the new pistol platform, holsters and related equipment, as well as implementing the training curriculum for the new weapon for all applicable personnel. Over half of our department's personnel partook in the transition training in December (the remainder received the training in January, 2016).
- Processed 10 new employees to include five new police officers, one civilian employee, one custody officer, one administrative assistant, one police cadet and one police clerk. This included outfitting each employee with their uniforms and equipment, as well as conducting an orientation phase for each employee prior to their field training process.
- The Training Section supervised six new officers while they attended the Washington State Criminal Justice Commission Basic Law Enforcement Academy (BLEA) and Corrections Officer Academy (COA).
- The Training Section processed seven employees who either retired or resigned from their positions with the Department.
- The Training Section processed 10 vehicle pursuits to ensure compliance with department policy. Of these, three pursuits went to a Pursuit Review Board and one was part of a Major Incident Review Board.
- The training sergeant reviewed 231 uses of force applications during 2015 to ensure compliance with department policy. Five of these involved K-9 Bite Review Boards, which were coordinated and processed by the Training Section.
- Processed 124 prosecutorial requests for in-car video evidence.
- Facilitated 153 unscheduled repairs to department vehicles.
- The technology and equipment officer processed 427 transactions for equipment, uniforms and supplies in 2015.



Planning, Training and Accreditation Section

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

- The technology and equipment officer is responsible for departmental technology and equipment management, as well as the department's central clearing-house for information services (IS) related issues. Three hundred ninety-eight IS issues were processed.
- The Training Section implemented a new computerized tracking system for Use of Force and Vehicle Pursuit incidents ("Blue Team" and "IA Pro"). Training was conducted for all applicable personnel in the use of the system.
- The Training Section organized, scheduled, and facilitated training for all personnel assigned to the the Bureau of Operations on the new DUI breathalyzer machines.
- Throughout most of 2015, but especially in the fourth quarter, the Training Section oversaw and was primarily responsible for the preparation for and launch of a new Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management System (RMS) called New Word. This software system touched every unit of our department as it replaced our RMS/CAD system. The Training Section was responsible for extensive infrastructure preparation,

Training by Category Hours	2015	
Roll Call Training	390	
Daily Training Bulletins	442*	
Defensive Tactics	404	
Firearms	1,166	
SWAT	1,456	
PSR, K9, EVOC, Other Training	9,868**	
Totals		
Sworn Employees	13,726	
Volunteers	2,083	
Explorers	1,247	
Total Training Hours	17,056	

both in-house and in the mobile environment, pre-training of personnel before the launch and advanced training and troubleshooting after the launch. As mentioned above, the training officer became a full-time instructor for two months earlier in the year to assist with this county-wide endeavor.

- Members of the Training Section participated in National Night Out, Shop with a Cop, Cops & Kids, Lynnwood University, and the Citizens Academy; and participated in several entry-level oral board processes and background investigations for newly hired employees.
- The cadets conducted all of the scheduled public fingerprinting sessions in 2015. They transported evidence to both the State crime labs and the prosecutor's office, assisted in the upkeep and management of the department's fleet, reprogrammed the department's door locks throughout the year, transported training equipment and supplies to all training locations, assisted in the maintenance of the police building, and were assigned mentor officers whom they rode with on patrol throughout the year.

* "Daily Training Bulletins" (DTB's) was an internet-based daily policy lesson pushed out by our policy manual software vendor, Lexipol. One third of the way into 2015, we discontinued the "DTB" portion of this subscription.

** The category "PSR, K9, EVOC, other Training" includes the state-mandated Basic Law Enforcement Academy (720 hours) and Basic Correction Officer Academy (160 hours) training. In 2015, new Lynnwood recruit officers attending these academies accounted for 4,008 hours of the 9,868 total hours in this category.





Administrative Unit

Sergeant Pat Fagan, Office of Professional Standards

Mission

The mission of the Office of Professional Standards is to provide essential support services to the Police Department and its personnel by maintaining high standards of ethics and professionalism in the areas of recruitment; pre-employment background investigations and promotional functions; policy review and manual maintenance; internal audits of money and evidentiary controls and mechanisms; investigating internal and citizen-generated complaints of alleged misconduct against employees; and any other projects otherwise directed by the Chief of Police. These services are provided with the utmost integrity, courtesy and operational efficiency.

Personnel

Authorized staffing for the Office of Professional Standards is one full-time sergeant.

Activity and Accomplishments

- Performed five internal administrative investigations.
- Gave a presentation on police use of force to the Citizen's Academy.
- Facilitated and managed all of the department's monthly Daily Training Bulletins.
- Performed 22 background investigations on city contract workers.
- Conducted six complete employee background investigations.
- Performed bi-annual evidence audits.
- Performed audits of all departmental cash funds.
- Facilitated the hiring process for at least eight employees, which included scheduling and participating in oral boards, scheduling pre-employment screening tests, and conducting or supervising background investigations.
- Assisted in the research, recommendation, and implementation of Blueteam/IAPro reporting software, which increased our ability to track, analyze, and report on high liability activities such as use of force, pursuits, and other special incidents. This puts our agency at the forefront of current "best practices" regarding the tracking of these incidents.
- Attended a three-day training on physiology and use of force incident investigation.
- Participated in a variety of public outreach events, including Cops and Kids at Alderwood Mall, Coffee with a Cop, and a Trinity Lutheran Interfaith meeting.





Community Health and Safety Section

🔊 Sergeant T.J. Brooks

Mission

The mission of the Community Health and Safety Section (CHSS) is to leverage community partnerships; institute creative problem-solving techniques through a unified interdepartmental approach; and foster outreach through education to address conditions that fuel crime and public disorder while maintaining a proactive stance on criminal trends and nuisance problems that impact the quality of life for citizens in Lynnwood.

Personnel

The Community Health and Safety Section became operational in April 2014. One sergeant oversees the section which includes one code enforcement officer and two crime prevention specialists. The Community Health and Safety Section works collaboratively with other units within the Police

Activity and Accomplishments

Department as well as with outside authorities to seek resolution of community problems that impact the safety of our community.

A directed patrol approach utilizes specialized investigative methods to work with businesses, individual residences or neighborhoods. Examples of activity and accomplishments are listed below:

Community Partnerships

Through information sharing, trend analysis and proactive enforcement efforts, the CHSS addressed numerous problematic areas within our City. CHSS personnel along with the efforts of other organizations successfully found resolution to issues of blight caused by poor property management. Numerous illegal encampments on City property and graffiti issues were successfully addressed. Civic pride by property owners and businesses alike has increased due to these collaborative efforts.

Drug Houses

The Community Health and Safety Section worked with the Special Operation Section to identify and take enforcement action on residences involved in illegal narcotics activity. Special Operations officers confirm the activity at a particular location through investigations and arrest. CHSS personnel then partner with other City departments, landlords, or the property controller to move for effective resolution to stop this activity. Specifically, the number of drug houses associated with foreclosed/abandoned properties has significantly increased regionally. CHSS, working collaboratively with the Patrol Division and other City departments, has cleared six properties of squatters/trespassers in otherwise quiet neighborhoods.



Community Health and Safety Section

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

Graffiti Removal

Community Health and Safety Section's Graffiti Removal Unit, unlike any in the region, worked with the Public Works and Parks Departments to rapidly remove unsightly graffiti. Reports of graffiti are received via police reports or located by members of the citizen patrol volunteers. LPD acquired a surplus City van to deploy for weekly clean ups. Members of our citizens patrol group utilized specialized cleaning supplies and paint, most of which are donated by a local paint supply business for little to no cost to the City.

Gang Enforcement

Lynnwood, like every community, has a gang presence but maintains a "Zero Tolerance" stance and gang activity remains limited. The combined efforts of Patrol, Special Operations and Community Health and Safety Section officers allow for effective management of gang related incidences.

Criminal Activity Related to Homelessness

The Community Health and Safety Section have taken the lead in examining the trends of homeless individuals. We recognize the correlation at times between homelessness and an increase in criminal trends related to City ordinance violations, theft, assaults, disorderly conduct and trespassing. A compassionate and collaborative approach has reduced homelessness in the City while reducing associated criminal activities. CHSS personnel will work collaboratively with a homelessness consultant liaison hired by the City to conduct a pilot project in 2016 to address needs in this critical area. This process will involve a combined approach of enforcement as necessary and identification of community based resources to address underlying issues.

Crime Prevention through Community Outreach

Our volunteer groups and staff in the Crime Prevention Unit worked tirelessly to fulfill citizen patrol duties, vacation house checks, graffiti removal and community events. During 2015, the Community Health and Safety Section participated in many outreach activities including the new Lynnwood Safety Fair, Latino Expo, various community meetings, Crime Prevention through Environmental Design assessments and safety education sessions in schools.

Lynnwood Police Explorer Post Program

Members of the LPD Explorers Post participated in more than 1,250 hours of training and many community events.

Summary

The Community Health and Safety Section made a noticeable positive impact on many quality of life issues. Our successes in 2015 could only have been achieved by combining the talents and resources of many City departments and organizations throughout the region.



Community Health and Safety Section

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

Graffiti	Cleaned graffiti marks throughout the City which was considerably down from our efforts in 2014 and the implementation of our new Graffiti Removal Unit.		
Homelessness	Located and cleared approximately eight encampments on City property which is considerably down from 2014 due to proactive measures originating from the first year of CHSS.		
Businesses	Investigated 12 businesses in violation of City and State laws.		
Residential	Investigated numerous problem residences addressed by LPD and City code enforcement officers.		
Drug Houses	Located and investigated six drug houses which were vacated through arrest. Most of the properties were in foreclosure or abandoned status occupied by squatters/trespassers.		
Gangs	Located, monitored and made subsequent gang involved arrests. CHSS, working collaboratively with SOS, managed the activity of gangs in Lynnwood.		
Neighborhoods	Facilitated community meetings and education efforts provided to homeowners reduced blight and deterioration. Established a working rapport with property owners, managers and banks related to foreclosed properties.		



Sgt. T. J. Brooks with the Explorer Post 911.



Crime Prevention Programs

Activity (continued)

In 2015 the Crime Prevention Section continued to enhance and expand services to the community by emphasizing education and information sharing to reduce opportunities for crime to occur. Crime Prevention Specialists act as liaisons between the Police Department and the community regarding crime-related problems facing the public.

Child Car Seat Inspection Program

This educational program is now in its 13th year and has met the increased demand of inspecting and installing child safety restraint seats. Four nationally trained volunteer technicians now staff the program. They completed 236 inspections. Lynnwood's car seat program is one of the few in the greater Puget Sound area and serves families in Snohomish and King County.

Outreach to Businesses, Schools and neighborhoods

During 2015, Crime Prevention Specialists conducted 18 community outreach events such as neighborhood watch meetings and safety trainings which directly reached over 1,000 people of all ages. These community connections ranged from one-on-one discussions to school assemblies.

Citizens Academy

Our 24th Citizens Academy accepted 56 applicants in 2015. This free 14-week educational program generated many volunteer applicants. The Volunteers in Public Safety (VIPS) membership increased by four and the Citizens Patrol volunteer group added 11 members.

Citizens Patrol Training Academy

An eight-week course designed to teach new volunteers how to properly perform their duties.

Crime Prevention Activity	2015
Child Car Seat Inspections	236
False Alarms Enforcement Fines	481
National Night Out Neighborhood Visits	32
Volunteer Activity	2015
Number of Volunteers	85
Volunteer Hours Yearly Total	12,697
Disabled Parking Contacts	86
Citizen Assists (lock-outs, transports)	248
Directing Traffic	131

MIAP (Memory Impairment Assistance Program)

This program, with assistance from the VIPS, increases safety for people who are memory-impaired, by providing them with free wristbands to identify them if they become lost or wander away from caregivers. In 2015, there were 15 Lynnwood residents registered for this program.

False Alarm

The Crime Prevention Section manages the City's false alarm program. There were 481 false alarms invoiced in 2015. Fees generated by false alarms totaled over \$32,000 in revenue. Excessive false alarm responses could place a residence or business on a "no response" status. Our successful education program did not impose any "no response" conditions in 2015.

Annual Crime Free Multi Housing 3-day Seminar

This 12-hour seminar held over three days gives property managers/owners a chance to connect and learn from Lynnwood Police Officers and others in the community to support safety in their residential complexes.





Animal Control Unit

Officer Paul Coleman

Mission

The mission of the Animal Control Unit is to provide service to the residents of the City of Lynnwood by investigating and enforcing specific Lynnwood ordinances and actively patrolling the City to regulate, educate and enforce situations involving animal behavior, care and licensing and parking violations.

Personnel

Authorized staffing for the Animal Control Unit is one full-time officer. The Animal Control Unit is supervised by the Community Health and Safety Section Sergeant.

Activity

The primary function of the Animal Control Unit relates to animal regulations and welfare, but it also serves a variety of police service functions including directing traffic at collision scenes, vehicle unlocks (public assist), parking enforcement on both City streets and public access areas and certain code compliance problems such as abandoned vehicles, hulk inspections and VIN verifications on impounded vehicles.

The Animal Control Unit continued to investigate animal bites and aggressive dog complaints and conducted follow-up inspections of licensed home kennels. All reported animal bites are investigated and reviewed. Follow-up on these bite cases has continued to improve with consistent enforcement standards being applied. The Animal Control Unit issued only a few criminal citations to non-compliant owners of dangerous animals. Most animal owners were responsive and worked cooperatively with the Animal Control Unit to comply with legal requirements.

The Animal Control Unit responded to citizen inquiries both in person and through telephone. In 2015, the Animal Control Unit handled over 827 telephone messages regarding incidents including follow-up to current cases, neighborhood or nuisance complaints and reports of lost or found pets.

The Animal Control Unit emphasized enforcement of parking violations including parking in disabled parking stalls and unauthorized use of disabled permits (using another person's placard). Enforcement of these violations was a continued priority to ensure the parking areas were available for persons who needed the easier access to businesses, medical offices and other areas.

The Animal Control Unit was assigned to an afternoon shift to coordinate work hours with the Patrol Division's peak call-load period. This has allowed the officer to be more beneficial to the Patrol Division in responding to dispatched calls for vehicle unlocks and traffic control at collisions and assisting disabled motorists.



Animal Control Unit

The Animal Control Unit assumed all responsibility to deploy the traffic "Speed Awareness" trailers. The Animal Control Unit dedicated 53.5 hours to this project. Having these trailers at key areas within the City served to bolster police presence and deter speeders.



2 Follow







The LPD Traffic Trailer reminds drivers of their speed; making neighborhoods safer.

Animal Control Statistics	2015	
Staffing	1	
Reports Taken		
Animal related	64	
Illegal dumping	0	
Lost/Found property	27	
Impounded vehicles	45	
Other miscellaneous	11	
Citations Issued		
Handicap parking violations	77	
Unauthorized handicapped parking	41	
Animal control violations	41	
Miscellaneous parking	337	
Total	496	
Correctional/Warnings Issued		
Parking	29	
Handicap	7	
Animal related	36	
Abandoned vehicles	296	
Total	384	
Additional Statistics		
Hours in radar/traffic safety setup	53.5	
Lock-Outs (vehicle unlocks)	107	





Crime Prevention Volunteers VIPS

Crime Prevention Specialist, Lisa Wellington

Personnel

The Crime Prevention Section has two full-time Crime Prevention Specialists, one of which provides direct oversight of the Volunteers in Public Safety (V.I.P.S.) group as well as providing crime prevention services.

Activity

VIPS primary function is to act as extra eyes and ears for the Police Department by participating in the Vacation House Checks program. They also participate in a variety of City events and perform many administrative tasks for the Police Department. Some notable activities and accomplishments for 2015 are:

- Assisted law enforcement with the Shop with a Cop, Tip a Cop, and National Night Out events.
- Assisted with safety fairs such as the Edmonds School District's Back-to-School Safety Fair.
- Participated in the Car Prowl Prevention Campaign at Edmonds Community College.
- Assisted with Operation Warm and Ready for low income residents.
- Supported the Memory Impairment Assistance Program for Lynnwood citizens who have the potential to wander away from caregivers.
- Issued Disabled Parking Violation warnings.
- Assisted in the administration of our False Alarm Program.



Volunteer Car Seat Safety Technicians, Laura and Chelsea.



Volunteers in Public Safety 2015.





Crime Prevention Volunteers Citizens Patrol

Crime Prevention Specialist, Nic Li

Personnel

The Crime Prevention Section has two full-time Crime Prevention Specialists, one of which provides direct oversight of the Citizens Patrol volunteer group as well as providing crime prevention services.

Activity

Citizens Patrol members act as extra eyes and ears for the Police Department. Citizens Patrol members conduct bike patrols, have a limited commission to write disabled parking citations, provide car unlock service, provide transports, direct traffic at collision scenes and are called out to help with emergencies, such as storms and flooding.

Some highlights of extra activities completed by Citizens Patrol are as follows:

- Assisted with traffic control for the 2015 Edmonds School Foundation 5K run, Holiday lighting event, and Black Friday and Saturday shopping days at the Alderwood Mall.
- Assisted the Police Department with a variety of training support such as jail cell extractions, Police Skills In-Service Refresher, and Active Shooter classes.
- Primary responsibility for the "Graffiti Reduction Program" which includes locating and cleaning graffiti.
- Provided security personnel on foot, in cars and on bikes to assist Edmonds Police Department with their Fourth of July Parade and their evening fireworks event.

Volunteer Emergency and Incident Response

Volunteers received enhanced training in emergency response, and subsequently continue to be utilized in an even greater capacity. They logged approximately 433 hours responding to 11 emergency call-outs and staffing special events. They directed traffic 131 times, provided 16 transports for people in need and assisted with security at various crime scenes. The Bike Patrol logged 119 hours riding trails, patrolling parks and providing holiday security plus other special events.

Citizens Patrol Training Academy (CPTA)

In 2015, 11 new Citizens Patrol members completed the 18-session CPTA program, now in its tenth year.



Crime Prevention Volunteers Citizens Patrol

Activity and Accomplishments (continued)

Car Unlock Service/Other Public Assists

Members of the Citizens Patrol have been extensively trained and equipped to open car doors for those who have locked keys in their cars. During 2015, they unlocked 249 vehicles for grateful citizens and visitors. In some cases, infants or small children were locked inside. Providing jumpstarts, finding lost vehicles and offering general assistance are noted in the supporting table. Citizens Patrol also found six stolen vehicles while on patrol shifts.



2015 Citizens Patrol Training Academy Graduates.



Training Academy graduates celebrate at Wilcox Park.



2015 Citizens Patrol Members.









Sergeant T.J. Brooks

Mission

The mission of the Lynnwood Police Explorer Post 911 is to educate and involve high school age youth in police operations, to interest them in the functions of law enforcement, and to expose department personnel to the positive side of American youth with the goal of promoting community service and a positive image of the Lynnwood Police Department to all youth in the community.

Personnel

Police Explorer Post #911 was formed in March 1996 for which there are 16 positions available. Currently, the post has 15 male and female members ranging in age from 14 to 20. The Explorer Post rank structure consists of one captain, one lieutenant, two sergeants, two corporals (assigned in the absence of a sergeant) and the remaining Explorers assigned to a respective squad. The leadership for the Explorer Post is provided by a cross section of leaders throughout the Department including a Police Sergeant, Police Officers, Detention Officers, a Code Enforcement Officer and our Victim Services Coordinator.

Activity

Police Explorer Post 911 members attend three meetings each month to receive training on a variety of law enforcement topics. This training is both classroom and scenario based. In addition, each of the Explorers is required to provide four volunteer hours assisting with tasks around the Police Department or at other community events. Explorer members who attend all meetings and complete the service hours are entitled to participate in a ride-along with a police officer on patrol once each month.

In 2015 post members participated in 1,250 hours of law enforcement related training and volunteer service activities which include:

- Attended Washington State Explorer Advisor Academies; Summer and Winter sessions.
- Offered site security at events: Annual Rotary Car Show, Cops and Kids, and Holiday Lighting; etc.
- Participated in graffiti eradication efforts.
- Explorers maintained a City garden spot under the Adopt-a-Garden program.
- Worked collaboratively with other Explorer Posts assisting with crowd control and lot security at a variety of events to include Mountlake Terrace Tour de' Terrace, Sea Fair and Taste of Edmonds.
- Assisted department staff and officers with a variety of administrative tasks around the department.



Members of the LPD departed in 2015

Robyn Carey (Administration) Kaylee Piper (Cadet) Donald Hinze (Custody Officer) Michael Saint-Denis (Custody Officer) Geoffrey Lai (Officer) Andrew Reed (Officer) Michelle Ichihashi (Records) Cheryl Tenney (Crime Prevention)



Members of the LPD added in 2015

Connie Galer (Administration) Zach Rittgarn (Cadet) Roberto Quemada (Custody Officer) George Bucholtz (Officer) Nic Li (Crime Prevention Specialist) Brady Galloway (Officer) Lindsay Pool (Officer) Joshua Magnussen (Officer) Zachary Byrd (Officer) Anna Ananko (Records Clerk) Spring Gates (Records Clerk)



TENURE AWARDS

Sgt. T.J. Brooks—30 Years D.C. Bryan Stanifer—25 Years Cdr. Steven Rider—25 Years Det. William Johnson—25 Years Sgt. Michael McGinnis—25 Years Sgt. Patrick Fagan—25 Years Sgt. Frank Axtman—25 Years Sgt. Rodney Cohnheim—25 Years

