

Warren Police Department



2013 Annual Report



Police Department

City of Warren

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Eric J. Merkel
Chief of Police

CHIEF'S MESSAGE

The Warren Police Department, which was established in 1867, continues to perform its function of serving and protecting the citizens to the best of its abilities. Our dedicated, professional police force of 65 men and women recognize that the people in our community are our most important customers, and they work in partnership with all people to solve problems that affect public safety.

This is also accomplished by collaborating with citizens and neighborhood and community groups to better understand the needs of the community so that we may develop solutions to problems and provide efficient responses.

Through a cooperative working relationship with our local, state and federal law enforcement agencies, we take a proactive approach to law enforcement knowing that partnerships and cooperation are needed to ensure protection of persons and property.

As Chief of Police, it is my responsibility to ensure that our community is provided the best possible law enforcement services. To this end, I am dedicated to making sure all police related services are provided in an efficient, effective and professional manner.

I am proud to serve with these dedicated, professional co-workers to complete our police mission in order to "protect and serve" our community for those who live and work here.

Sincerely,

Eric J. Merkel
Chief of Police



**2013
Grant Awards**

Source	Amount	Match \$	Project
JAG 2013 LOCAL	\$21,386.75	\$0.00	Efficient Video Solutions--equipment
JAG 2013 COMPETITIVE	\$18,714.40	\$4,678.60	Evidence Integrity--equipment
2013 Special Solicitation	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	Mobile Video Recording advantage--equipment
2013 COPS hiring prog.	\$250,000.00	\$155,068.00	Two SRO's for three years begin Sept. 1, 2013
2013 Drug Use Prevent	\$20,764.00	\$0.00	SRO in schools for prevention education
County OVI Enforce.	\$133,257.05		County Wide OVI Task Force
Total	\$454,122.20		
			2013
			Supplemental Police Service Agreement
Warren City Schools	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	4 WPD Officers assigned to Warren City Schools
Geauga-Trumbull Waste	\$75,408.00	\$0.00	1 Full time Officer assigned to Environmental cases
Trumbull Metro Housing	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	2 Officers assigned to TMHA properties
Total	\$350,408.00		

INCIDENT REPORTS

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	UCR Part I Index Crime	UCR/IBR Code	Number of Reported Offenses	Number of Arrested
1	Murder	09A	9	4
2	Forcible Rape	11A	37	1
3	Robbery	120	150	25
4	Aggravated Assault	13A	675	168
5	Burglary & Breaking or Entering	220	792	86
6	Motor Vehicle Theft	240	146	0
7	Larceny	23A-H	1118	72
8	Arson(not subject to the hierarchy rule)	200	6	0
	UCR Part II Index Crime	UCR/IBR Code	Number of Reported Offenses	Number of Arrested
1	Curfew and Loitering Law Violations	90B	0	0
2	Disorderly Conduct	90C	30	16
3	Driving Under the Influence	90D	1	1
4	Drug Abuse Violations	35A	330	313
5	Drunkenness	90E	0	0
6	Embezzlement	270	0	0
7	Forgery and Counterfeiting	250	15	3
8	Fraud	26ABCDE	112	36
9	Gambling	39ABCD	0	0
10	Liquor Laws	90G	23	24
11	Offenses against Family and Children	90F	0	0
12	Other Assaults	13BC	192	26
13	Prostitution and Commercial Vice	40AB	0	0
14	Runaways	90I	105	1
15	Sex Offenses(except forcible rape and prostitution)	36AB	0	0
16	Stolen Property(buying, receiving, possessing)	280	42	34
17	Suspicion		0	0
18	Vagrancy	90B	0	0
19	Vandalism	290	509	27
20	Weapons: carrying, possessing, other	520	139	93
21	All Other Offenses(except traffic)	90Z	311	132

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	NIBRS - GROUP 'A' OFFENSES -- The following offenses are reported in Group 'A' Incident Reports. There are 22 Group 'A' crime categories made up of 46 offenses.	UCR/IBR Code	Number of Reported Offenses	Number of Arrested
1	Arson	200	6	0
2	Assault Offenses			
	Aggravated Assault	13A	675	168
	Simple Assault	13B	3	1
	Intimidation	13C	189	25
3	Bribery	510	0	0
4	Burglary/Breaking and Entering	220	792	86
5	Counterfeiting/Forgery	250	15	3
6	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	290	509	27
7	Drug/Narcotic Offenses			
	Drug/Narcotic Violations	35A	330	313
	Drug Equipment Violations	35B	194	198
8	Embezzlement	270	0	0
9	Extortion/Blackmail	210	0	0
10	Fraud Offenses			
	False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	26A	46	35
	Credit Card/Automated Teller Machine Fraud	26B	7	0
	Impersonation	26C	58	0
	Welfare Fraud	26D	1	1
	Wire Fraud	26E	0	0
11	Gambling Offenses			
	Betting/Wagering	39A	0	0
	Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	39B	0	0
	Gambling Equipment Violations	39C	0	0
	Sports Tampering	39D	0	0
12	Homicide Offenses			
	Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter	09A	9	4
	Negligent Manslaughter	09B	0	0
	Justifiable Homicide	09C	1	0
13	Kidnapping/Abduction	100	18	2

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	NIBRS - GROUP 'A' OFFENSES -- (cont)	UCR/IBR Code	Number of Reported Offenses	Number of Arrested
14	Larceny/Theft Offenses			
	Pocket-Picking	23A	4	0
	Purse-Snatching	23B	20	0
	Shoplifting	23C	145	45
	Theft From Building	23D	191	9
	Theft From Coin Operated Machine or Device	23E	2	0
	Theft From Motor Vehicle	23F	204	4
	Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	23G	21	0
	All Other Larceny	23H	1270	81
15	Motor Vehicle Theft	240	146	0
16	Pornography/Obscene Material	370	7	0
17	Prostitution Offenses			
	Prostitution	40A	0	0
	Promoting Prostitution	40B	0	0
18	Robbery	120	150	25
19	Sex Offenses(Forcible)			
	Forcible Rape	11A	37	1
	Forcible Sodomy	11B	1	0
	Sexual Assault With An Object	11C	0	0
	Forcible Fondling	11D	19	2
20	Sex Offenses(Non-Forcible)			
	Nonforcible Incest	36A	0	0
	Statutory Rape	36B	0	0
21	Stolen Property Offenses(Receiving, etc)	280	42	34
22	Weapons Law Violations	520	139	93

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NIBRS - GROUP 'B' OFFENSES -- The following offenses are reported in Group 'B' Arrest Reports.They include all offenses that are not Group 'A' offenses, except for most Traffic Offenses.Group 'B' offenses are to be reported using the following 11 crime categories.		UCR/IBR Code	Number of Reported Offenses	Number of Arrested
1	Bad Checks	90A	16	2
2	Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	90B	0	0
3	Disorderly Conduct	90C	30	16
4	Driving Under the Influence	90D	1	1
5	Drunkenness	90E	0	0
6	Family Offenses, Nonviolent	90F	0	0
7	Liquor Law Violations	90G	23	24
8	Peeping Tom	90H	0	0
9	Runaway	90I	105	1
10	Trespass of Real Property	90J	95	57
11	All Other Offenses	90Z	311	132

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ADULT ARREST				
SEX	RACE	CHARGE	NIBR	COUNT
UNKNOWN			N	1
MALE		MIS	Y	1
MALE		MIS	N	2
MALE		FEL	Y	1
MALE			N	5
MALE	BLACK	MIS	Y	142
MALE	BLACK	MIS	N	140
MALE	BLACK	FEL	Y	185
MALE	BLACK	FEL	N	9
MALE	BLACK		Y	15
MALE	BLACK		N	394
MALE	UNKNOWN	MIS	Y	2
MALE	UNKNOWN	MIS	N	1
MALE	UNKNOWN	FEL	Y	5
MALE	UNKNOWN	FEL	N	1
MALE	UNKNOWN		N	3
MALE	WHITE	MIS	Y	169
MALE	WHITE	MIS	N	98
MALE	WHITE	L	Y	1
MALE	WHITE	FEL	Y	161
MALE	WHITE	FEL	N	5
MALE	WHITE		Y	25
MALE	WHITE		N	399
FEMALE		MIS	Y	2
FEMALE		MIS	N	1
FEMALE			N	2
FEMALE	BLACK	MIS	Y	27
FEMALE	BLACK	MIS	N	15
FEMALE	BLACK	FEL	Y	27
FEMALE	BLACK	FEL	N	1

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

The Criminal Investigation Division continued to maintain a commitment of providing a specialized unit, diversified in its approach to criminal investigations. Although the department's work force has been reduced, emphasis toward the investigation of most major crimes is always a high priority. Maintaining an atmosphere of preparedness, in gathering criminal intelligence and case construction, is a key tenant stressed in this division. The Criminal Investigation Division has also performed tasks in the area of safety/security counseling. Furthermore, personnel continue their support and assistance to the various block watch associations. We will continue our participation with various task forces, as well as, partnerships with State and Federal agencies.

The Criminal Investigation Division reviews each case, through use of a system of solvability factors. Based on this review, cases are selected and assigned to appropriate investigators. In addition, investigators meet personally with the victims of the case to which they have been assigned. Detectives continually follow up on all possible leads regarding open cases until all avenues have been exhausted. In certain situations, detectives will seek extradition, assist in the service of search warrants and issue polygraph exams through our trained investigator.

The Criminal Investigations Division has continued to work with technical service personnel implementing improvements to our reporting software. Technical improvements introduced were new personal high definition cameras and investigative case tracking software. A major goal and objective for the coming year will be emphasis on information sharing. It is necessary to collaborate with others and develop a partnership focused on problem solving. A two way flow of information is crucial, along with a strong commitment to a Community Policing philosophy, assisted through our School Resource Officer Program. Improving our community relationships will be two-fold: information sharing and advanced training, thus improving the odds in crime solvability and prevention. This community partnership will assist the department in identifying high crime areas, along with an early warning system for future issues within the community. Our investigators and supervisors will continue to diversify and structure their training to improve skills and solvability ratios.

Commander

Captain Robert Massucci

Supervisor

Lieutenant Jeffrey L. Cole

Investigators

Det. Wayne Mackey

Det. John Greaver

Det. Nick Carney

Det. Mike Stabile

Det. Mike Krafcik

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2013 Homicide Summary

During the Year of 2013 there were nine homicides within the City of Warren compared to five homicides in 2012. Charges have been filed in four of the nine homicides.

1. Case #13-037

Date of Incident: 01/01/2013

Time of incident: 0211hrs.

Location: Sunset Lounge 480 East Market SE Warren, Oh

Victim: Cory Blackwell

Type of Weapon: Firearm

Case Disposition: Open

2. Case #13-10809

Date of Incident: 03/18/2013

Time of incident: 2000hrs.

Location: 423 Second SW Warren, Oh

Victim: Rodney Fletcher

Type of Weapon: Firearm

Case Disposition: Open

3. Case #13-11698

Date of Incident: 03/25/2013

Time of incident: Unknown

Location: 3403 Williamsburg SW Warren, Oh

Victim: Dwanye Hickman

Type of Weapon: Knife

Case Disposition: Closed by arrest

4. Case #13-20684

Date of Incident: 05/19/2013

Time of incident: 0345hrs.

Location: 148 Dickey NW Warren, Oh

Victim: George Myers

Type of Weapon: Personal

Case Disposition: Closed by arrest

5. Case #13-27364

Date of Incident: 06/29/2013

Time of incident: Unknown

Location: 1003 Hemlock SW Warren, Oh

Victim: Donald Jones

Type of Weapon: Blunt Object

Case Disposition: Open

6. Case #13-33976

Date of Incident: 08/02/2013

Time of incident: 1300hrs.

Location: 459 Parkman SW Warren, Oh

Victim: Lori Wishhart

Type of Weapon:

Case Disposition: Open

7. Case #13-34053

Date of Incident: 08/02/2013

Time of incident: 2100hrs.

Location: Packard Park 391 Mahoning NW Warren, Oh

Victim: McKayla Hopkins

Type of Weapon: Firearm

Case Disposition: Closed by arrest

8. Case #13-47918

Date of Incident: 10/26/2013

Time of incident: 0054hrs.

Location: Sunoco Gas Station 805 West Market SW Warren, Oh

Victim: Richard Rollison

Type of Weapon: Firearm

Case Disposition: Closed by arrest

9. Case #13-54550

Date of Incident: 12/09/2013

Time of incident: 2148hrs.

Location: Atlantic Quick Shop 408 Atlantic NE Warren, Oh

Victim: Khaled Nassar

Type of Weapon: Firearm

Case Disposition: Open

SUPPORT OPERATIONS

Support Operations services of the Warren Police Department currently covers clerical employees, the 911 Communication Center, Motor Vehicle Maintenance, and Information Technology.

Other areas that fall within the responsibility of this Division are Grant Administration, records management, research and development.

Motor Vehicle Maintenance is managed by Patrolman Harrell to include all daily maintenance of the Police Department's fleet of vehicles. Harrell continues to review the cost effectiveness of each vehicle in order to maximize the use and life expectancy. The last fleet of twelve vehicles were purchased in the summer of 2012. He has streamlined the maintenance in cooperation with our Operations department.

The Support Operations administers the network computer as well as the city wide communications systems. The City of Warren is the backup system for the Trumbull County 911 Center. ID Networks is now in full implementation for records management and information sharing.

The Warren 911 Communication Center currently has four new 911 systems and five new CAD systems. The department is able to utilize the officers in a more efficient manner allowing them to initiate report writing and receive calls for service from their vehicles. Officers can make direct inquiries into operational informational systems. This directly supports the officer's street level decision making. Location systems have been installed and collect location oriented data. The services provide the mechanism for coordination, control and above all officer safety.

The Warren City Police Department continues to pursue grants that supplement law enforcement. The Support Operations Commander continues to administer the grant programs and searches for funding opportunities.

This division will strive to be effective and continue to use our resources wisely.

Commander Support Operations

Captain Janice Gilmore

Sgt. Geoff Fusco

Patrolman Ben Harrell

Records

Deanna Sferra

Mary Walker

Tracy Odom

911 Communication Center

The Radio Communication Division covers a broad spectrum of services for the Warren Police Department, along with the other city-wide departments. Our main objective and goal is to provide courteous, professional efficient service to the public, police personnel and the other city departments.

The Division consists of twelve full time Communication Coordinators. Within the division, there is one Communication Coordinator Supervisor, a Communication Terminal Agency Coordinator (T.A.C.) and a Communicator Coordinator Assistant T.A.C.

The Division operates on a 24/7 basis 365 days a year. A minimum of two operators are on duty at all times. The division answers eight 10 digit phone lines along with four 911 emergency lines and one TTD hearing impaired line. The Division is responsible for disseminating all calls for service to police and fire personnel, emergency EMS responders and all City services via radio or phone. The Division also handles all walk-in traffic, tow releases and reports requests.

The Communication Division is responsible for all LEADS (law enforcement automated data system) entries which include all warrants, stolen vehicles, missing persons, runaway juveniles, protection orders, missing/stolen license plates, guns, towed vehicles and miscellaneous items. The Communications Coordinator T.A.C. is responsible for all facets of the LEADS operations, training, and validations. The T.A.C. maintains all documentation and security policies.

The Communications Coordinators are the first line of communication to the community by extracting and recording essential information and giving proper advice/ and or information to callers. Retrieves and accurately relays to requesting police field units information contained in the state LEADS and National NCIC computer systems. Maintains proper records of all response units dispatches (assigned and unit self-initiated).

The coordinators assigned to this function are supervised by a police officer from the Support Operations Division.

Commander Support Operations

Captain Janice Gilmore
Sergeant Geoff Fusco

Radio Communications Supervisor

Lynda Briach

Communications Coordinators

Michael Pratt		Lindsey Kordic	
Sandy Frazeskos	<i>Asst. T.A.C.</i>	Patty Nypaver	<i>T.A.C.</i>
Kathy Lapmardo		Maggie Powell	
Robin Hager		Ted Harrell	
Michelle Martin		Melissa Russomano	
Elisha Massaro			

