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## Mission Statement

The Mission of the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department is to provide community-based police products to the public so they can experience a safe and peaceful Nashville.

## Mission Values

In carrying out our mission, members of the department will continue to value:

- ◆ Organizational Excellence and Professionalism
- ◆ The Impartial Enforcement of the Law
- ◆ The People We Serve and Each Other
  - ◆ Problem-Solving Partnerships
  - ◆ Open Communications
  - ◆ Ethics and Integrity





# Letter From The Chief

To the Citizens of Nashville:

It is my privilege to report that overall major crime in Nashville during 2005 declined for the second straight year to the lowest level in 14 years. Dramatic decreases in burglary and auto theft led the way, along with reductions in rape and aggravated assault. At the same time, overall arrests are up, arrests from traffic stops are up and personal injury crashes are down.



Outstanding police work is being done in our city, day in and day out. The credit for the continued downward crime trend goes to the dedicated, hard working officers of our city, and to the countless number of families and citizens who are partnering with us to keep Nashville safe. I am delighted that the number of Neighborhood Watch Groups grew by a very healthy 14.98% during 2005 to a total of 307.

Despite the crime reductions and increase in arrests, we still have work to do in our quest to make Nashville the safest big city in America. Coming off a 37-year low, murder during 2005 jumped 67% (58 vs. 97 cases). Robbery increased by 13%. I am greatly disturbed by the number of teenagers and young adults who are responsible for these violent crimes. We are committed to continuing our work with a number of community groups and institutions to help young people make the right choices in life and avoid violence and crime.

As you will see in these pages, the Metropolitan Police Department is full of dedicated men and women, both officers and professional support staff, who are working diligently to MAKE A DIFFERENCE EVERY DAY in the safety of our city. We are sincerely grateful for the tremendous support of Mayor Bill Purcell, the members of the Metropolitan Council and the community-at-large. More police resources than ever before have been moved closer to our neighborhoods to quickly address problems and concerns. *Thank you* for working with us and keeping Nashville a wonderful place to live, work and raise a family.

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# Executive Staff



**Deputy Chief Steve Anderson**  
Investigative Services



**Deputy Chief Joseph Bishop**  
Field Operations



**Deputy Chief Honey Pike**  
Administrative Services



**Mr. Don Aaron**  
Public Affairs Manager



**Mrs. Kennetha Sawyers**  
Office of Prof. Accountability



**Dr. Lorraine Greene**  
Behavioral Health Services



**Ms. Christine Ragan**  
Chief Financial Officer





# Command Staff



**Capt. Paul Trickey**  
Field Supervisor Section



**Capt. Ben Dicke**  
Field Supervisor Section



**Capt. Bob Nash**  
Strategic Development Div.



**Capt. Mike Hagar**  
Training Division



**Capt. Chris Taylor**  
Criminal Investigations Div.



**Capt. Todd Henry**  
Special Investigations Div.



**Capt. Baker-Brockmann**  
Domestic Violence



**Capt. Anthony Carter**  
Special Operations Div.





**Capt. Tommy McBride**  
Youth Services Division



**Capt. Karl Roller**  
Warrants Division



**Capt. Anita Lowrance**  
Field Operations



**Commander Louise Kelton**  
North Precinct



**Commander Rick Lankford**  
South Precinct



**Commander Danny Baker**  
East Precinct



**Commander Mickey Miller**  
West Precinct



**Commander Michelle Richter**  
Hermitage Precinct



**Commander Andy Garrett**  
Central Precinct



**Kenneth Forte**  
Records Division



**Ronda Latterell**  
Human Resource Div.





# Re-Accreditation Assessment

In continuing to strive for enhanced professionalism and law enforcement excellence, in April, 2005, the Metropolitan Police Department underwent our re-accreditation by CALEA. We hosted a team of assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA), which consisted of team leaders John Rankin – Inspector, Seminole Co. Sheriff’s Office, Florida, Kenneth Hall – Assistant Chief, Lexington Division of Police, Kentucky and Jeffery Pierce – Captain, Oklahoma City P.D., Oklahoma. They examined all aspects of the department’s policy and procedures, management, operations and support services. The CALEA Assessors were most impressed with our department. During their visit to Nashville, the assessors reviewed written materials, interviewed individuals and visited offices and other places where compliance was witnessed.

The department received its highest certification to date. The final report noted:

- The Assessment Team was impressed with the organizational arrangement of the files and their attendant documentation. Written directives, included as required, were clear and concise and highlighted for ease of assessor review. Additional proofs of compliance were abundant, with good representation for the three years of the accreditation cycle.
- The assessors were provided with an excellent reference manual to use during the onsite. In addition to agency and community information, this manual listed the standard(s) for which each presenter was responsible. This was a very unique and exceptional resource provided to the Assessment Team, and it could serve as a model for other agencies.
- In the opinion of the reviewing assessor, establishing standards far exceeding the minimum mandated state requirements speak very highly of the agency’s commitment to this crucial area of police training. The police department’s intelligence gathering procedures on local gangs is especially impressive.
- The agency is a full service, community orientated law enforcement agency that enjoys a high level of community trust and support.

In November, Nashville was the site for the 2005 winter CALEA conference, attended by more than 1,000 CALEA members. This was held at Opryland Hotel. The Metropolitan Nashville Police Department received numerous comments from CALEA commissioners stating this was the best conference that they had ever attended. This speaks volume to the many hours of hard work that went into making the conference a reality. Chief Serpas gladly accepted the Certificate of Accreditation from the executive director of CALEA, Sylvester Daughtery, on the last night of the conference.



From left to right: Sgt. Charles Vance, Sgt. Darryl Agnew, Capt. Jeffery Pierce, Chief Ronal W. Serpas, Sgt. Sandra Brown, Inspector John Rankin, & Asst. Chief Ken Hall.







For more information on the accreditation process, contact the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., 10306 Eaton Place, Suite 320, Fairfax, Virginia, 22030-2201. Telephone 1-800-368-3757.



# Information & Technology Division

The Metropolitan Nashville Police Department's Information Technology Division (MNPD IT) supports all police department computer related hardware and software, and has a dedicated staff of 30 professionals. This year MNPD IT supported 140 Police applications on various platforms that comprise MNPD's entire computer systems. Ninety-five of those applications were written by MNPD IT staff. MNPD IT supports 4200 users, 1240 Desktops, 585 Mobile Data Computers. Additionally, 90 outside agencies both in Davidson County and surrounding counties, are assisted with varying degrees of access to MNPD systems. These agencies have a combined 2611 users, 1035 Desktops and 75 Mobile Data Computers. Thirty three (33) of these agencies have arrest rights with MNPD.

The Advanced Records Management System project started in 2004 continues to roll on with our Phase I target date Mid 2007. This project consolidates 8 disparate systems and will support Automated Field Reporting and a fully integrated Case Management system. We also started the Vendor selection process for our Mobile Data Computer replacement project that will replace/install 750 MDC's. Replacement of our mainframe based Time Accounting system was completed this year using WorkBrain software.

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New Mobile Data Computer Set Up



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MNPD Data Center





## 2005 Major Accomplishments

- **Advanced Records Management project continues:**  
This project will ultimately change the way Police do their job in Davidson and surrounding counties. During this year, we completed the Request for Proposal and started the Vendor selection process.
- **Mobile Data Computer replacement:**  
A Request for Proposal is being developed to begin the replacement of MNPD's current 585 Patrol MDC's and addition of 170 to our marked and unmarked Police vehicles. Request for Proposal was put out and Vendor selection was started during this year. Also part of this project will be the purchase of printers that fit inside the arm rest to support our future Automated Field Reporting portion of the Advanced Records Management Project.
- **Mobile Data Computer query upgrades:**  
Several standard MDC queries were upgraded to hit more local and NCIC files with one query.
- **WorkBrain Time Accounting System:**  
Police Time Accounting system replacement begins during this year.
- **Automated Vehicle Locator:**  
The AVL units that show real-time locations of Police vehicles were installed this year to replace the Tactographs.
- **Media Server:**  
Police IT installed a Media Server to allow users to easily access secured Training and DUI videos.
- **Automated Fingerprint Identification System Upgrade:**  
MNPD began the upgrade of its current AFIS system with a new NEC AFIS 21 system in 2004 and this project was completed and live early this year.
- **Major Events Web Site:**  
This application allows Officers to record Major Events for their Precinct and the information is automatically distributed to appropriate personnel.
- **Frequent Pawners:**  
Software was installed this year to track people who frequently pawn items in Davidson and Surrounding Counties.



Police IT Support Staff





# North Becomes the Bodenhamer Precinct

Retired Metro Police Captain William David Bodenhamer was honored with a Metro Council resolution that requested the new North Nashville Precinct headquarters, 2221 26<sup>th</sup> Av. N., be known as the William David Bodenhamer Building. The dedication for the Bodenhamer building was held on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2005.



William David Bodenhamer, one of Nashville's first black police officers, died on his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

Bodenhamer **began his police service** to the city in **1956**. On May 1, 1962, Mayor Ben West appointed Bodenhamer as the first black officer in the Traffic Division. He became the first black motorcycle policeman at that time, bringing honor to his family and community. He was promoted to **sergeant** on **December 1, 1966**, to **lieutenant** on **March 1, 1973**, and to **captain** on **August 16, 1976**. He was also an integral part of several innovative programs during those years, including the Community Relations Division and the Youth Aid Bureau. The Youth Aid Bureau was formed in 1964 to curb juvenile delinquency and youth gangs. This was done by seeking out area youth to assist in solving problems. The Community Relations Division put deployed walking officers in public housing which formed bonds

with the community which helped make the streets safer. This was part of our department's return to community policing.



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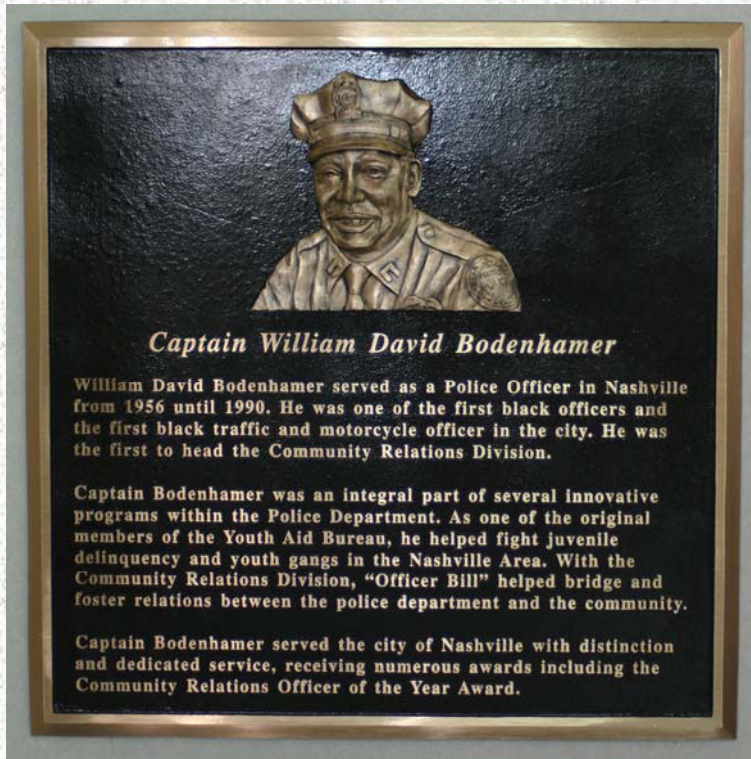
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Captain Bodenhamer received numerous service awards for his accomplishments including the Odd Fellows Award twice, a Special Merit Award from the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Woman's Club, Inc., the Community Service and Attainment Award and Community Relations Officer of the Year, and the MDHA Commissioners Award in 1981 for efforts to provide a secure wholesome environment for public housing residents. The officer helped to instill discipline, responsibility & teamwork in underprivileged youth while serving as a football and baseball youth coach for 12 years. During that time his teams won several division championships and Bodenhamer was named Junior Pro Football Coach of the Year in 1974 by the Youth Association. He was granted a service pension by the employee benefit board on September 11, 1989 with 33 year and 2 months of service.





## North Precinct Community Office Opened

Mayor Bill Purcell, Chief Ronal Serpas, North Precinct Commander Louise Kelton, along with Metro Council Members Michael Craddock, Jim Forkum and Rip Ryman, officially opened a North Precinct community office in Madison on December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2005. It is located inside the public library at 610 South Gallatin Pike.



Officers assigned to the Madison area use the community office to complete paperwork, meet with citizens about police-related matters and to enhance relationships with members of the Madison community. Officers do not have set hours at the community office, but stop in as much as possible while still being available to respond to citizen's calls for service.

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"Councilmen Craddock, Forkum and Ryman came to me months ago with an idea to establish a police department office in Madison," Chief Ronal Serpas said.



"Given that Madison is a good distance from the North Precinct building on 26th Avenue North, Mayor Purcell and I thought that their idea was worthy of careful consideration. The mayor and I agree with the councilmen that this new office should build a stronger relationship between the police department and the businesses and families in the Madison area."

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## Independent Survey – Crime and the P.D.

Eight out of ten Nashville residents and nine out of ten Nashville businesses report that they are satisfied with the overall competence of the Metropolitan Police Department according to a survey just completed by an independent Oklahoma-based research firm. Wilson Research Strategies, Inc., which has been retained by the police department to conduct biannual surveys of Nashvillians' opinions about crime and the police department, polled 400 adult residents and 400 business owners/managers at random by telephone May 28-June 2, 2005. "I am very grateful to Nashville's families for their support, and our police officers for their tremendous work," Chief Ronal Serpas said. "While the results of the survey certainly leave room for improvement, I am pleased by the numbers in this first poll. I note that a national Gallup poll showed that 63% of Americans have a great deal or quite a lot of confidence in the police, who were second only to the military in the survey. Nashvillians' opinions of their police department clearly rise above the national average," Serpas said.

The survey of adult Nashville residents and business owners/managers found that:

- 79% of residents and 89% of businesses are satisfied with the police department's overall quality of service;
- 71% of residents and 77% of businesses are satisfied with the police department's efforts in preventing crime;
- 75% of residents and 84% of businesses are satisfied with the general attitude and behavior of officers toward citizens;
- 74% of residents and 79% of businesses are satisfied with the police department's traffic enforcement efforts;
- 84% of residents and 86% of business owners/managers feel safe in their own neighborhoods or businesses;
- 68% of residents and 74% of businesses believe that the performance of the police department has improved during the past year;
- 73% of residents and 76% of businesses rate Chief Ronal Serpas' performance as excellent or good.

"This is a police department that is well on its way to making this the safest big city in America, and it is obvious the people of Nashville understand and appreciate the leadership of this chief and the work of our department," Mayor Bill Purcell said. When asked for the most important issue facing Nashville's neighborhoods, 16% of residents responded crime in general. Seven percent responded traffic violations, six percent said drug activity, six percent said taxes and five percent said schools. In response to the same question, 13% of business owners/managers said safety was the most important issue, 11% said burglaries, 7% said crime in general and 7% said traffic violations. In the area of drug enforcement, 55% of residents and 60% of businesses are satisfied with the police department's efforts in getting drugs off the streets. "The men and women of the Metropolitan Police Department have made great strides in forming new crime-fighting partnerships in neighborhoods throughout our city over the past several months," Chief Serpas said. "Our precinct-based drug detectives are working diligently to rid neighborhoods of the street dealers who hold families hostage. But, as I have said in the past, this is a marathon, not a sprint, and we will remain focused in overcoming the challenges before us.

"Wilson Research Strategies, Inc., based in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, has a five-year contract with the city to conduct biannual surveys for the police department.





# Sixth Annual Polar Bear Plunge



The 6th Annual Polar Bear Plunge benefiting Tennessee Special Olympics was held on Saturday, February 12, 2005, at Nashville Shores beach. Nashville Shores is located at 4001 Bell Road off the I-40 Stewarts Ferry Pike exit.

Sponsored by the Law Enforcement Torch Run program, with assistance from the Metro Fire Department, the event featured a dash into Percy Priest Lake in anything but a wetsuit. Plungers, who collected a minimum of \$20 in donations for Special Olympics, hit the water at 11:00 a.m. The Polar Bear Plunge had 50 participants and raised approximately \$5,000. There were special prizes for the polar bear who raised the most money, the youngest and oldest polar bear, and the best costume.



Businesses that sponsored this year's plunge, in addition to Nashville Shores, were the Gold Rush restaurant, Coca Cola, Dixie Rents, The Worx Group, Pool and Spa Depot, Krispy Kreme Doughnuts, Continental Machinery Movers, Inc. and Oldies 96.3.

The Metropolitan Police Department has a long-standing commitment to raise awareness and funds for Special Olympics, the nation's largest provider of athletic events and sporting activities for mentally challenged children and young adults.







## ONE – Organized Neighbors of Edgehill

On May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005, Chief Ronal Serpas and the citizens of Edgehill signed an agreement recommitting themselves to a partnership first forged in 1991 between the Metropolitan Police Department and the Organized Neighbors of Edgehill.

The Edgehill Partnership seeks to establish an open line of communication between residents and officers that will:

- ◆ Build the capacity to work together to resolve crime-related problems;
- ◆ Help officers understand the Edgehill community, its history, and the commitment of its leaders to the future of the neighborhood;
- ◆ Help residents understand police department operations and how officers go about their work, as well as citizens' rights and responsibilities in relating to officers; and
- ◆ Increase resident involvement in reporting crime.



"I am so proud of ONE members and their commitment, first made 14 years ago, to actively partner with the police department," Serpas said.

"We are actively committed to helping families gain freedom from drug dealing thugs and criminals who prey on innocent neighborhoods. By partnering with groups like ONE, we expect to see more and more persons returning to the front porch, which, after all, is the number one crime prevention tool in America," Serpas said.





# Police Graduates

The Metro police force grew by 45 on June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2005, as the city's newest police officers graduated from five months of training, received their badges and took the oath of office.

The graduation ceremony was held in the War Memorial Auditorium adjacent to Legislative Plaza.

And on December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2005, the Metro police force also grew by 21.

The graduation ceremony was held at Schrader Lane Church of Christ, 1234 Schrader Lane, in North Nashville.



After graduation, the new officers spent five to six months with field training officers before patrolling the streets by themselves.

Both Mayor Purcell and Chief Serpas spoke at the graduation ceremonies.





# Citizen Police Academy

On the evening of June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005, Fifty-four Nashvillians graduated from the 17th Session of the Metropolitan Police Department's Citizen Police Academy. The ceremony took place in the community room of the Hermitage Precinct, 3701 James Kay Lane. Mayor Purcell and Chief Serpas attended the graduation.



The graduates, including 23 Nashville ministers which are part of the volunteer chaplain program, attended 2 ½-hour classes one night a week for nine weeks to gain a much better understanding of how their police department operates. They heard presentations on a variety of topics, including homicide investigation, DUI enforcement, drug trafficking, domestic violence, defensive tactics and the judicial process.

Including this class, more than 750 citizens throughout Nashville have completed the Citizen Police Academy since its inception in September 1995.





# GREAT – Gang Resistance Education & Training

Police officers who teach an anti-gang curriculum to students in Nashville’s middle schools brought the program to families in the James Cayce public housing development.

On June 21, 2005, an orientation and information meeting detailing the six-week GREAT (Gang Resistance Education and Training) Families Program was held for interested persons at the Martha O’Bryan Center, 711 S. 7th Street. Nearly 60 families comprising 260 individuals from the Cayce area expressed a strong interest in the program, which stresses positive lifestyles free from gangs, crime, violence and drugs.

Metro police officers have been teaching the GREAT (Gang Resistance Education and Training) curriculum in public schools since 1996. GREAT helps young persons become responsible community members by showing the importance of setting goals for themselves and illustrating how gangs can disastrously impact the quality of their lives.

For six weeks, the graduates attended 2 ½-hour weekly classes that stress enhanced family communication and positive lifestyles free from gangs, crime, violence and drugs. On August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005, twenty-eight persons from nine families graduated from the GREAT Families Program.



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# Neighborhood Watch Program

The Neighborhood Watch program is an information sharing network between the community and the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department. Community groups throughout the city have decided to take a more active role in their communities to make them a safer place in which to live.



Our Neighborhood Watch groups share crime information and become additional eyes and ears for the department. In turn, police answer questions from groups about problems in their areas, do referrals to different agencies, coordinate extra patrol or enforcement activities to address specific needs and quality of life issues. Throughout the year, workshops are set up to address various community concerns. The police department continues to update its contact list of Neighborhood Watch groups and assist in recruiting new members and creating new watch groups.

Neighborhood Watch Group Totals			
Precinct	2004	2005	% Increase
North	49	54	10.20%
South	47	57	21.28%
East	26	34	30.77%
West	62	70	12.90%
Hermitage	80	86	7.5%
Central	3	6	100%
<b>All Precincts</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>14.98%</b>



The South Precinct's most recent group is called "Nolensville Road Community Partnership". This group was formed to shed a positive light on the diverse culture of Nolensville Road, and to invite citizens of Davidson County to visit these businesses and see what they have to offer. Also, the Neighborhood Watch groups of Glencliff, Radnor and Woodbine have recently joined together to form a 501(c) (3) not for profit corporation known as the "Flatrock Heritage Foundation". This was done to better preserve the integrity of the neighborhoods and improve the health and well being of their residents. The Metropolitan Nashville Police Department continues its mandate to be responsive to the needs of the vastly diverse community it serves through the Neighborhood Watch program.





# Christmas Basket Program

Hundreds of men, women and children comprising more than 210 needy Nashville families received food and toys from Metro police officers Christmas Eve morning as the police department's annual Christmas Basket Program entered its 44th year.

Each year, donated warehouse space is needed weeks before Christmas so that food baskets and toys can be made ready for the hundreds of men, women and children served by the program. In 2005, the Tennessee Department of Correction allowed the cafeteria at the old Tennessee State Prison to serve as Christmas Basket headquarters. The Correction Department also donated numerous wooden toys made by inmates, including rocking horses and elaborate dollhouses, to the Christmas Basket Program.

In its inception, the program served two families. Over the years, requests for assistance and those actually helped by the program have steadily grown. Families are chosen at the recommendation of police officers who come into contact with them during the year. This Christmas, approximately 400 needy children received toys from the Christmas Basket Program. Forty needy elderly citizens were also served. Contributions from hundreds of police department personnel, both sworn and civilian, and from the Nashville community fund the program. "The Christmas Basket Program signifies a tremendous helping hand to the needy of our city," Chief Ronal Serpas said. "I am most grateful to those both inside and outside of the police department who dedicate themselves to carrying on this important rich tradition of giving year after year." Central Precinct Commander Andy Garrett is the police department's volunteer coordinator of the Christmas Basket Program.

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# Boswell's Toy Parade

On November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2005, motorcycle enthusiasts from across Nashville took part in Boswell's 10th annual Toy Parade which benefits the Metropolitan Police Department's Christmas Basket Program. The event is the largest single fundraiser for the police-sponsored charity that has been helping Nashville's needy for 44 years. Motorcycle riders lined up at Boswell's Harley-Davidson, 411 Fesslers Lane, for a fun ride to Coaches Sports Bar on Rivergate Parkway in Goodlettsville, where music, fun and food awaited.



All participating riders brought a new toy and made a cash donation. The money and toys were used to support the police department's annual Christmas Basket Program, through which police officers and support staff delivered food and toys to needy Nashvillians on Christmas Eve morning. Hundreds of men, women and children comprising more than 200 underprivileged families received surprise gifts of food and toys in 2005.





## Precinct-Based Drug Detectives Prove Highly Effective

Hermitage precinct undercover detectives, following up on a citizen's drug complaint, seized 563 pounds of marijuana (with a street value of at least \$450,400) and \$56,620 cash from a Priest Lake area home in the largest single dope seizure since neighborhood drug detectives were decentralized on July 1, 2004.

The marijuana was seized from the home on February 4, 2005, after detectives developed information that a significant amount of marijuana was being distributed from there to dealers in Nashville and Middle Tennessee. As Hermitage detectives executed a search warrant at the residence, they discovered the marijuana in the garage. It was transported to Nashville in large metal water tanks. The distributor cut open the tanks inside the garage and separated the marijuana for resale. The \$56,620 cash was found inside a bedroom dresser drawer. In addition to the marijuana and money, officers also seized three vehicles, two jet skis, a small cargo trailer, a nine-millimeter semi-automatic pistol and an AR-15 assault rifle with a grenade launcher. Officers identified the person who headed the operation in Nashville.

"It is very important to note that this huge marijuana seizure, which took place at a home in an upscale middle-class neighborhood, came about as a result of a routine drug complaint, the type of complaint that our precinct drug detectives follow up on every day," Chief Ronal Serpas said. "Residents in the Priest Lake area are safer today because large amounts of marijuana are no longer being distributed from the target house. The 563 pounds will not be dealt, period. It will not fall into the hands of any of our young people, and it will not be around for any drug-related street robberies or shootings." Serpas pointed to the seizure as an example of the phenomenal work of precinct-based drug detectives, who were only in their seventh month of decentralization.

During the first quarter of 2005 alone, precinct-based drug detectives placed primarily drug charges against 731 persons. Seized during that three-month period were 17.5 pounds of cocaine, 661 pounds of marijuana, \$244,735 cash, 112 guns and 80 vehicles. When compared to the first quarter of 2004, when street-level drug detectives were part of a centralized vice unit, arrests January through March of this year were up 113%. The amount of money seized was up 480%; the number of guns recovered increased by 128%; the number of vehicles seized increased by 150%; the amount of cocaine seized increased by 1,490%; and the amount of marijuana seized increased by 1,134%.







"I knew the men and women who make up our precinct-based drug units would do an incredible job when we decentralized them last July, but even I didn't expect results like this so quickly," Serpas said. "Under the direction of our precinct commanders, these investigators are helping families gain freedom from drug dealing thugs who prey on innocent neighborhoods. This summer, we expect to see more and more persons returning to the front porch of their homes, which, after all, is the number one crime prevention tool in America."

Persons knowing of or seeing drug activity in neighborhoods are urged to report it anonymously by calling the police department's special drug number, 244-DOPE (3673).



**Chief Ronal Serpas, with police department commanders behind him, displays an AR-15 assault rifle that was recovered in the same home as the 563 pounds of bundled marijuana.**



**Hermitage Precinct Commander Michelle Richter tells reporters that the marijuana seizure resulted from a routine drug complaint.**

Also, three Nashville men were jailed in lieu of a quarter million dollars bond each for trafficking 22 pounds of cocaine. Horacio Flores, 30, of Edmondson Pike, Andres Camarillo, 24, of Goodbar Drive, and Juan Mendoza, 26, of Haywood Lane were arrested on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005, outside a hotel at Briley Parkway and I-40. They were all charged with possessing cocaine for resale.

A citizen's tip to West Precinct undercover detectives led to the establishment of surveillance on Flores. Officers followed him to the hotel believing that he was transporting drugs. Investigation at the hotel revealed more than two pounds of cocaine concealed in a baby car seat inside a Nissan Maxima driven by Flores. The rest of the cocaine was found in the trunk of a Volkswagen Jetta driven by Mendoza. Camarillo, the lookout for the other two, drove to the hotel in a Ford F-150 pickup truck. All three vehicles were seized.

This was the largest single cocaine seizure by the West Precinct's undercover detectives.





# Gun Prosecutions to HEAT Up



On June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005, Chief Ronal Serpas announced that the Metropolitan Police Department was dedicating more resources than ever before to attack gun crime in Nashville so that, whenever possible, gun-toting criminals can be sent to federal penitentiaries hundreds of miles away from Tennessee to serve lengthy sentences. Through a close and expanded partnership with United States Attorney Jim Vines, District Attorney Torry Johnson and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Special Agent in Charge Jim Cavanaugh, Serpas said the chances of gun defendants landing in federal court are about to significantly increase. "What we're talking about is a very serious county-wide version of the HEAT (Help Eliminate Armed Thugs) program that began in the summer of 2002," Serpas said. "In the summer of 2005, we intend to ratchet up the thermostat to broil."



Effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005, six additional detectives were added to the precincts (one per precinct) for the express purpose of following up on every gun case/seizure made in that precinct to determine if the defendant qualifies for federal prosecution. ATF Special Agent in Charge Cavanaugh, in turn, assigned six agents to the precincts to get the federal cases in the pipeline as quickly as possible. The officers and agents meet weekly with a team of federal and state prosecutors who are committed to seeing that gun criminals receive the maximum prison sentence possible.

"We not only want gun criminals off our streets, we want them out of this area," Serpas said. "Federal pens in remote areas of other states are the perfect places for them." Among those who qualify for federal prosecution are those who use guns in furtherance of the drug trade, convicted felons who possess guns, illegal aliens who carry guns and persons who possess firearms after being convicted of even misdemeanor domestic violence.

"Every lawyer on my staff has been put on notice to be ready to prosecute gun crimes," United States Attorney Jim Vines said. Vines noted that the federal system allows for dangerous and potentially violent defendants to be held without bail pending trial. Sentences in federal court for carrying a firearm during a drug felony or violent crime carry a minimum term of five years without the possibility of parole.

**Suspect 1**



"The men and women of the police department are working harder and smarter to get violent criminals and guns off our streets," Serpas said. "This enhanced HEAT effort will be a very important tool as we all do our best to reduce violent crime below last year's level and beyond."

Through December of 2005, the men and women of the Metropolitan Police Department have taken 2,424 guns off the streets, a 2.6% increase from 2004. Nearly 78% of those guns are pistols.





## Picnic to Honor Deployed Employees

On August 25, 2005, Dorothy Berry, Director of the Metropolitan Nashville Human Resources Department, announced that her staff had assembled a substantial care package for each Metro employee who was deployed overseas. Metro HR received a **"5 Star"** Statement of Support for the Guard and Reserve in July. That award confirmed that Metro HR had adopted policies and programs that were **"above and beyond"** what is required by law. To demonstrate our gratitude for each deployed Metro employee, the Human Resources department staff, along with contributions from other Metro departments, local vendors, and union representatives, sent a care package full of foods, toiletries, and good wishes. This project was done with the recommendation and the approval from Mayor Purcell and his administration. Mayor Purcell presented a sample of the boxes to Brigadier General William R. Cotney at the Nashville Zoo on August 27th at a picnic to honor military families sponsored by Chief Ronal Serpas and the Metro Nashville Police Department.

**Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR)** is a Department of Defense agency established in 1972. The mission of ESGR is to gain and maintain active support from all public and private employers for the men and women of the National Guard and Reserve. ESGR volunteers provide free education, consultation, and if necessary mediation for employers of Guard and Reserve employees. More information about ESGR employer outreach programs and volunteer opportunities is available at [www.esgr.com](http://www.esgr.com) or by calling the National Committee Office at 800-336-4590.



**Presentation of the ESGR Award to Deputy Chief Honey Pike**  
From left to right: Sid Doty, Deputy Chief Pike & Joseph Thomas





## David Zoccola Named Investigator of the Year

Sex Crimes Detective David Zoccola was named the Metropolitan Police Department's Investigator of the Year for 2004.

Zoccola, 49, a 26-year police department veteran, received the award for his meticulous investigative work that led to the September arrest of Jeremy Paul Duffer, a part-time Hermitage game store employee, for having a sexual relationship with a 13-year-old boy.

By working closely with the victim and his mother, Zoccola ascertained that the abuse had occurred repeatedly over a period of 18 months to two years. During a lengthy interview with Duffer on the night of his arrest, Zoccola was able to elicit a detailed confession.

"Child sex abuse cases are among the most difficult for a police officer to work because each one of them pulls at the heartstrings," Chief Ronal Serpas said. "David Zoccola has dedicated himself to working with child victims and their families for a number of years, and I am extremely proud of his dedication and tremendous devotion to this community."



**Chief Ronal Serpas, left, presents the 2004 Investigator of the Year award to Detective David Zoccola.**





## Officers of the Year

School Resource Officers Mitchel Burgess and Mark Wells were named Officers of the Year by the Donelson-Hermitage Chamber of Commerce for their tireless work in maintaining a safe learning environment at McGavock High School. The officers were honored at a Chamber of Commerce luncheon on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2005, at the Springhouse Golf Club.



Officers Mitchel Burgess (left) and Mark Wells (right) named Officers of the Year by Donelson-Hermitage Chamber of Commerce

In attesting to their exemplary service, Sergeant Jack Klotzback, Burgess' and Wells' immediate supervisor, wrote the following: "Officers Burgess and Wells work diligently in their school and, as a result, have become meshed into the fabric of McGavock. They act as counselors, confidants, conduits for community resources and a resource for law-related questions, all in addition to keeping the peace. Officers Burgess and Wells provide an opportunity for positive police interaction with almost 3,000 students, parents and staff members on a daily basis. They are approached every school day by students who are concerned with events happening at school, in their homes and in the community. As a result of those interactions, these two officers frequently provide information to officers in the field and detectives to further enhance neighborhood safety. Officers Burgess and Wells are much more than just a pipeline for information and a smiling face in the hallway. They are serious law enforcement professionals. Since I had the pleasure of becoming their supervisor in the fall of 2002, these officers have made more than 550 physical and citation arrests in and around McGavock High School. The charges run the gamut from truancy violations to drug and weapon offenses." "Officers Burgess and Wells are responsible for keeping the peace in a high school with a population that is greater than many of Tennessee's towns," Chief Ronal Serpas said. "They are truly making an outstanding difference every day, and I am very proud of their work." Burgess, 36, is a 12-year police department veteran. Wells, 40, is an 11-year police department veteran.





## North Precinct Flex Officer Brian Clark Named Field Operations Bureau 2005 Police Officer of the Year

North Precinct Flex Unit Officer Brian Clark was named the Metropolitan Police Department's Field Operations Police Officer of the Year.

Clark, 28, a three-year police department veteran, has been involved in a variety of investigations, but none more productive than when a traffic stop and subsequent search warrants netted him 16 pounds of marijuana, ten ounces of cocaine, 100 Lortab pills, 100 Valium pills, six grams of heroin, 1 ½ grams of opium, \$800 cash and five handguns.

"Officer Clark's work in North Nashville's neighborhoods is exceptional, and I am very proud of his efforts to enhance the safety of our community," Chief Ronal Serpas said.



**Officer Brian Clark (left) was awarded a plaque by Chief Ronal Serpas in recognition of being named the Field Operations Bureau 2005 Police Officer of the Year.**





## East Precinct Officer Mickey Yentes Named Patrol Officer of the Year for 2005

East Precinct Officer Mickey Yentes was named the Metropolitan Police Department's Field Operations Patrol Officer of the Year for 2005.

Last July, Officer Yentes spotted a car believed to have been involved in a series of Nashville robberies. He stopped the vehicle and the four occupants suddenly jumped out and ran. The driver and front seat passenger were apprehended. As a result of the traffic stop, a total of 38 robbery charges, 20 attempted robbery charges and one aggravated assault charge were placed against the defendants.

In a case from March of 2005, Officer Yentes, without regard for his own safety, entered a wrecked and burning car on Ellington Parkway in an effort to rescue the driver. He endured flames and smoke as he worked to extract the motorist and shield him from the fire. Eventually help arrived and the driver was removed, but not before Yentes suffered burns to himself and his clothing.

"Officer Yentes exemplifies our police department's philosophy of making a difference, every day, to make Nashville safer," Chief Ronal Serpas said.

Yentes, 27, is a three-year police department veteran.



**Officer Mickey Yentes (left) was awarded a plaque by Chief Ronal Serpas in recognition of being named Patrol Officer of the Year for 2005**





## Precinct of the Year

Mayor Bill Purcell and Chief Ronal Serpas joined members of the East Nashville community on April 11, 2005, for a celebration in honor of the East Precinct being named the Metropolitan Police Department's first-ever Precinct of the Year.

The celebration was held at the First Baptist Church of South Inglewood, 1515 Ann Street, and was hosted by Concerned Citizens of South Inglewood (CCSI).

During 2004, East Nashville officers and citizens partnered together to lead the department's six precincts in crime reduction with an overall drop of 12.3%. Violent crime declined 3.1%. Property crime fell by 15.25%.

Community leaders also spoke during the celebration, after which Chief Serpas presented the Precinct of the Year award to East Commander Danny Baker and the men and women on his team.







## Tennessee's Narcotics Unit of the Year

The Metropolitan Police Department's centralized Narcotics Unit was named Narcotics Unit of the Year by the Tennessee Narcotics Officers' (TNOA) Association.

During the 12-month period between August 2004 & August 2005, the nine-member unit investigated more than 165 drug complaints, resulting in 179 arrests and the seizure of:

- 2,480 pounds of marijuana
- 85 pounds of cocaine
- 121 pounds of khat
- 2 ½ pounds of heroin
- 9,226 Ecstasy pills
- 700 Dilaudid pills
- 84 guns
- \$449,776 cash
- \$1,000,000 in property connected to drug proceeds

The unit was honored during TNOA's annual meeting in Gatlinburg. Also recognized was Metro Narcotics Detective Marti Roberts, who received an award for making the largest Ecstasy seizure in Tennessee (5,400 pills) as the result of an investigation in South Nashville earlier in the year.

"This centralized Narcotics Unit, which is responsible for mid and upper-level drug investigations in our city, is doing incredible work and is a tremendous complement to the precinct-based drug detectives working in neighborhoods," Chief Ronal Serpas said.



Plaques Honoring Unit of the Year





# Theodore Roosevelt Association Police Award

On May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2005, Aggressive Driving Team Officer Foster Hite became the eighth member of the Metropolitan Police Department to receive the Theodore Roosevelt Association Police Award, which is given to a police officer who has rendered outstanding and praiseworthy service to the department and the community despite a serious handicap, illness or injury.

In late 1994, after 17 years of dedicated service to the Metropolitan Police Department and the Nashville community, Hite was stricken with devastating kidney failure. His debilitating condition caused him to leave the profession he loved. He was granted a medical disability pension in 1995. Hite's illness necessitated surgery to prepare him for a long regimen of nightly outpatient dialysis. He remained on dialysis for two years and, during that time, was admitted to five ten-day stints in the hospital. The kidney disease and dialysis brought on other illnesses, including peritonitis, high blood pressure, complications from catheter surgery, blood clotting issues, a mildly damaged heart and pneumonia. Hite's weight plummeted to 120 pounds. At Christmas, doctors told Hite that it might be his last unless he underwent a kidney transplant. Believing that his life was nearing an end, Hite began making personal arrangements for the well being of his family.

On September 14, 1996, Hite was notified that he would get a second chance at life. Travis Devlin, a 13-year-old in San Diego, died. His parents wanted his organs donated, and one of his kidneys proved to be a match for Foster Hite. Following successful surgery, Hite began the struggle to recover, with a strong determination to return to the profession he was forced to leave. In March of 2003, Hite graduated from the Metropolitan Police Academy for the second time. After working as a patrol officer in the Central Precinct, he is now assigned to the department's Aggressive Driving Team where, Hite says, his mission is simple: "I slow people down and save lives." Hite, 50, and his wife, Sherry, have been married for 32 years. They are the proud parents of Abby Connell of New Mexico, whose husband, Christopher, will soon deploy with his military unit to Iraq.

"Foster Hite's love of police work, his overwhelming desire to make a difference in the lives of Nashvillians and his bright daily smile make him an inspiration to all of us," Chief Ronal Serpas said. "I am very grateful to the Theodore Roosevelt Association's Jim Summerville and his colleagues for recognizing Officer Hite and his daily contributions to our city."

The Theodore Roosevelt Association established this awards program in honor of Theodore Roosevelt's distinguished service as President of the Board of Police Commissioners of New York City from 1895 to 1897, and in recognition of his lifelong admiration for the police.

Nashville is one of a handful of cities in the United States to present the Roosevelt Award. Others include New York City, Buffalo and upstate New York, Boston, Long Island, Dallas and Philadelphia.

The generous support of Nextel Communications made this year's award possible. Through Nextel's generosity, and that of the Theodore Roosevelt Association, Officer Hite received a \$1,000 cash award, a medal, and a bust of Theodore Roosevelt. A bronze plaque, which bears a likeness of Roosevelt, and which is currently on display in the lobby of police headquarters, now includes the inscription of Officer Hite's name.

Past Metro Police recipients of the Theodore Roosevelt Award were Sgt. Phillip Sage (1998), Detective Clifford Mann (1999), Detective Frank Pierce (2000), Sergeant James (Jimbo) Allen (2001), Officer William Richardson (2002), Detective Joe Cooper (2003) and Officer Horace Temple (2004).

Information about the activities of the Theodore Roosevelt Association is available on the Internet, <http://www.theodoreroosevelt.org>.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT ASSOCIATION POLICE AWARD





**Nextel Communication's Brenda Wilt presents Officer Hite and his wife, Sherry, with a \$1,000 check in honor of Hite receiving the Theodore Roosevelt Association Police Award.**



**Chief Ronal Serpas spoke of his pride in Officer Hite's commitment to police service.**



**Pictured with Officer Hite are (l-r) Nextel Communication's Brenda Wilt, Roosevelt Association Trustee James Summerville, Chief Ronal Serpas, Officer Hite, Sherry Hite and Roosevelt Association Trustee Bruce Holley.**





# Annual Awards Ceremony

Seventy-seven citizens and police officers were honored on April 26th, 2006, at the Metropolitan Police Department's annual awards ceremony. The ceremony was held in the community room of the North Precinct. The award recipients were recognized for heroism, bravery and outstanding acts performed during 2004. Chief Serpas and Mayor Purcell gave out plaques, certificates and uniform ribbons.

Chief Serpas said he was very proud of the dedicated men and woman of the police department, both officers and our professional support staff, who are committed to MAKING A DIFFERENCE EVERY DAY. He also stated that he was also very proud of the tremendous support our department receives every day from citizens in neighborhoods throughout Davidson County. That support is vital as we work together to solve problems and make Nashville a better place for us all.



### Citizens Commendation Awards

Mr. Emerson Boguskie  
Mr. Michael Brady  
Mr. Darrell Fisher  
Mr. Kenny Hudson  
Mr. Tommy Isom  
Mrs. Karen Kirby  
Ms. Steve Kirby  
Mr. Carlos Nester  
Mr. Jamie Norvell  
Mr. Eric Reed  
Mr. Jason Reed  
Mr. Robert Robinette  
Mr. Patrick Stephens  
Mr. Josh Stewart  
Mr. David Vincent

### Distinguished Service Award

Officer Dan Alford

### Meritorious Service Award

Officer Robert Doak  
Detective Michael Donaldson  
Sergeant Jason Duncan  
Detective Michael Galluzzi  
Officer Scott Henkel

### Lifesaving Awards

Sergeant Stephen Beck  
Officer Daniel Cage  
Sergeant William Mackall  
Officer Sung Jun Park  
Sergeant Jeffrey Sanders  
Lieutenant Philip Wigger

### Police Officer Award

Officer Dan Alford

### Exemplary Service Award

Officer John Donnelly  
Officer Paul Harris  
Officer Andrew Injaychock  
Sergeant Gene Martin  
Detective Randy Martin  
Officer Ryan Perkins  
Detective Corey Sanderson  
Officer Mickey Yentes

### Efficiency Service Award

Sergeant Michael Dioguardi  
Ms. Tiffany Hansen  
Detective Chad Holman  
Detective Timothy Sneed

### Special Commendation

FBI Special Agent Christopher Ranney

### Department Commendation

Officer Robert Allen, III	Officer Jason Orsbon
Detective Matthew Atnip	Detective Michael Park
Officer Robert Butler	Officer Mackovis Peebles
Officer Cedric Connolly	Officer Joe Pennington
Detective Randy Eatherly	Sgt. Justin Pinkelton
Sergeant Micheal Eby	Officer John Richards
Officer Kenneth Elkins	Ms. Janisca Rodriguez
Sergeant Matthew England	Detective Ricky Roll
Detective William Estes	Officer Shane Shetler
Officer Brian Ewing	Sergeant William Smith
Officer Randall Fowler	Officer Timothy Sullivan
Officer Paul Harris	Detective Russell Thompson
Officer Vincent Hill	Detective Joseph Towers
Officer Brad Houser	Officer Daniel Turner
Officer Jason Hunter	Officer Russell Ward
Officer Andrew Injaychock	Officer Michael Wilson
Officer Gregory Julia	Detective Charles Widener
Officer Robert Morris	Officer Jamie Underwood



# Tennessee Lifesavers Award

The Metropolitan Police Department was honored with a Tennessee Lifesavers Award on August 26 for its work in improving traffic safety across the 533 square miles that make up Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County.



Chief Ronal Serpas receives the Tennessee Lifesavers Award from Governor's Highway Safety Office Director Chuck Taylor (left) and Tennessee Department of Transportation Commissioner Gerald Nicely (right).

The Department was recognized for its efforts to identify and cite aggressive drivers (those who Chief Ronal Serpas says "make your heart skip a beat") and for using the department's helicopters to assist ground units in identifying and citing speeders, particularly those in construction zones.





## Odd Fellow Awards

Outstanding police work by North Precinct Officer Yannick Deslauriers that led to the arrest of two dangerous armed robbers in May of 2004 earned Deslauriers the Judge John L. Draper Joint Nashville Police Odd Fellow Award for the first half of 2004. Deslauriers received a \$500 cash award during a ceremony on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

On the night of May 5, 2004, the owner of an Ashland City Highway convenience market had just locked up and was heading for his Chevrolet Suburban when two men, one of them armed with a shotgun, approached him from behind. They robbed the victim of his jewelry, money and vehicle. One of the suspects even fired the shotgun at the market owner as they sped away. Two hours later, Officer Deslauriers was patrolling along Dickerson Pike when he saw the Suburban run a red light at the Trinity Lane intersection. As he caught up to the vehicle to make a traffic stop, Deslauriers realized that it fit the description of the SUV from the Ashland City Highway robbery. After calling for back-up, Deslauriers stopped the Suburban and arrested the two men without incident. The suspects, Christopher Jackson and Brandon Norris, were both convicted of aggravated robbery and received eight year prison sentences. Jackson also received a traffic ticket for running the red light.

“Officer Deslauriers’ alert action took two very dangerous men off the streets before they could victimize someone else,” Chief Ronal Serpas said.



**Chief Ronal Serpas (far left) and Odd Fellows members Patrick Wells and Hilary Lingner (far left) congratulated today’s winner and nominees.**





Also, outstanding police work by DUI Squad Officer Ron Bright that led to the arrest of a West Coast gang member on bank robbery charges in December of 2004 earned Bright the Judge John L. Draper Joint Nashville Police Odd Fellow Award for the second half of 2004. Bright received a \$500 cash award during a ceremony on March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Just after midnight on December 22, 2004, Officer Bright stopped a 1995 Cadillac on I-65 South at Wedgewood Avenue for a registration violation. The driver didn't have a license and was arrested. A computer check on the passenger, Markise McGuire of Los Angeles, showed that he was wanted by the FBI in San Antonio, Texas for bank robbery. Not only did this traffic stop lead to the arrest of a dangerous fugitive, it provided the Metro police department and local FBI agents with critical information that a gang member from Los Angeles known for committing takeover-style bank robberies was in this area. That information was vitally important in the furtherance of bank robbery investigations here and in other parts of the country.

"Officer Bright's alert police work quite simply helped make Nashville safer," Chief Ronal Serpas said. "I am proud of him and am very grateful to the Odd Fellows of Nashville for recognizing the tremendous police work of our officers."



For 46 years, the Odd Fellows of Nashville has sponsored this award, which is given twice a year to an officer below the rank of lieutenant who makes an arrest of a person already wanted, or who makes a criminal case based on the original citing of a traffic law violator.





## Downtown Optimist Club Honors Four Metro Officers

The Downtown Optimist Club honored the outstanding work of four Metropolitan police officers during its annual Respect for Law Week luncheon.

Those receiving plaques were:

- ✚ North Precinct Detective Danny Satterfield, whose investigative skills helped clear five homicide cases;
- ✚ South Precinct Officer James Sullivan, a 29-year police department veteran, whose consistently high quality investigations led to arrests in major theft, burglary and armed robbery cases;
- ✚ East Precinct Officer Jacob Pilarski, who was wounded in the shoulder last October while investigating a shots fired call in a public housing development; and
- ✚ Hermitage Precinct Officer Paul Harris, who apprehended two armed robbery suspects after they went on a crime spree and pulled guns on three innocent victims at different locations.

"I am very grateful to the Downtown Optimist Club for recognizing the outstanding work of our officers year after year," Chief Ronal Serpas said.



**Pictured (l-r) Jim Ruppert, Optimist Club Respect for Law Week Chairman, Officer Jacob Pilarski, Detective Danny Satterfield, Chief Ronal Serpas, Officer Paul Harris and Officer James Sullivan.**







## Police Precincts – Facilities and Locations

Davidson County is divided into six (6) Patrol precincts. The North Precinct was opened in February 2004. Current precincts are **West, North, East, South, Central and Hermitage**.

The **Horse Mounted Patrol** is within the Central Precinct, under the Special Events detail.

Central also has three Enterprise Zones, while one Enterprise Zone is located within the West Precinct.

**Bicycle Patrols** are a part of both West and Central Precincts, with the 'downtown' bikes that most everyone sees assigned under Central Precinct's Special Events detail.



### Police Facilities Locations

**Metropolitan Justice Center (Headquarters)**  
200 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, TN 37201  
(615) 862-7400

**Central Precinct**  
501 Broadway, Suite 300  
Nashville, TN 37203  
(615) 862-7611

**East Precinct**  
945 Dr. Richard G. Adams Blvd.  
(Off Trinity Lane)  
Nashville, TN 37207  
(615) 862-7600

**Hermitage Precinct**  
3701 James Kay Lane  
Hermitage, TN 37076  
(615) 880-1776

**North Precinct**  
2231 26th Ave. North  
Nashville, TN 37208  
(615) 862-4410  
**North Community Office**  
610 S. Gallatin Pike  
Madison, TN 37115  
(615) 862-4497

**South Precinct**  
5101 Harding Place  
Nashville, TN 37211  
(615) 862-7744

**West Precinct**  
6730 Charlotte Pike  
Nashville, TN 37209  
(615) 862-7747

**Metro Police Training Academy**  
2715 Tucker Road  
Nashville, TN 37218  
(615) 862-7617

### Enterprise Zone One Community Alert Centers

**Lafayette Street Alert Center One**  
(615) 880-2900

**Edgehill Alert Center Two at 1119- 12th Avenue South**  
(615) 880-2139

**Vinehill Alert Center Three**  
(615) 297-4139





# Office Of Professional Accountability

## 2005 CASE SUMMARY

Complaints and Investigation Brought Over From 2004 .....	32
Complaints and Investigations Initiated In 2005 .....	95
Total Investigations In 2005 .....	127
Total Investigations Completed In 2005 .....	99
Investigations Carried Over Into 2006.....	31

Of the 99 completed cases, the alleged violations were resolved as follows:

Charges Sustained.....	22
Charges Unfounded .....	52
Charges Not Sustained .....	17
Matter of Information Only.....	10
Total Charges Resolved .....	108

**"Sustained"** means that the allegation(s) is supported by sufficient evidence and further action is recommended.

**"Unfounded"** means that allegation(s) is not valid or is untrue.

**"Not Sustained"** means that there is insufficient evidence to prove or disprove the allegation(s).

Total Disciplinary Actions:

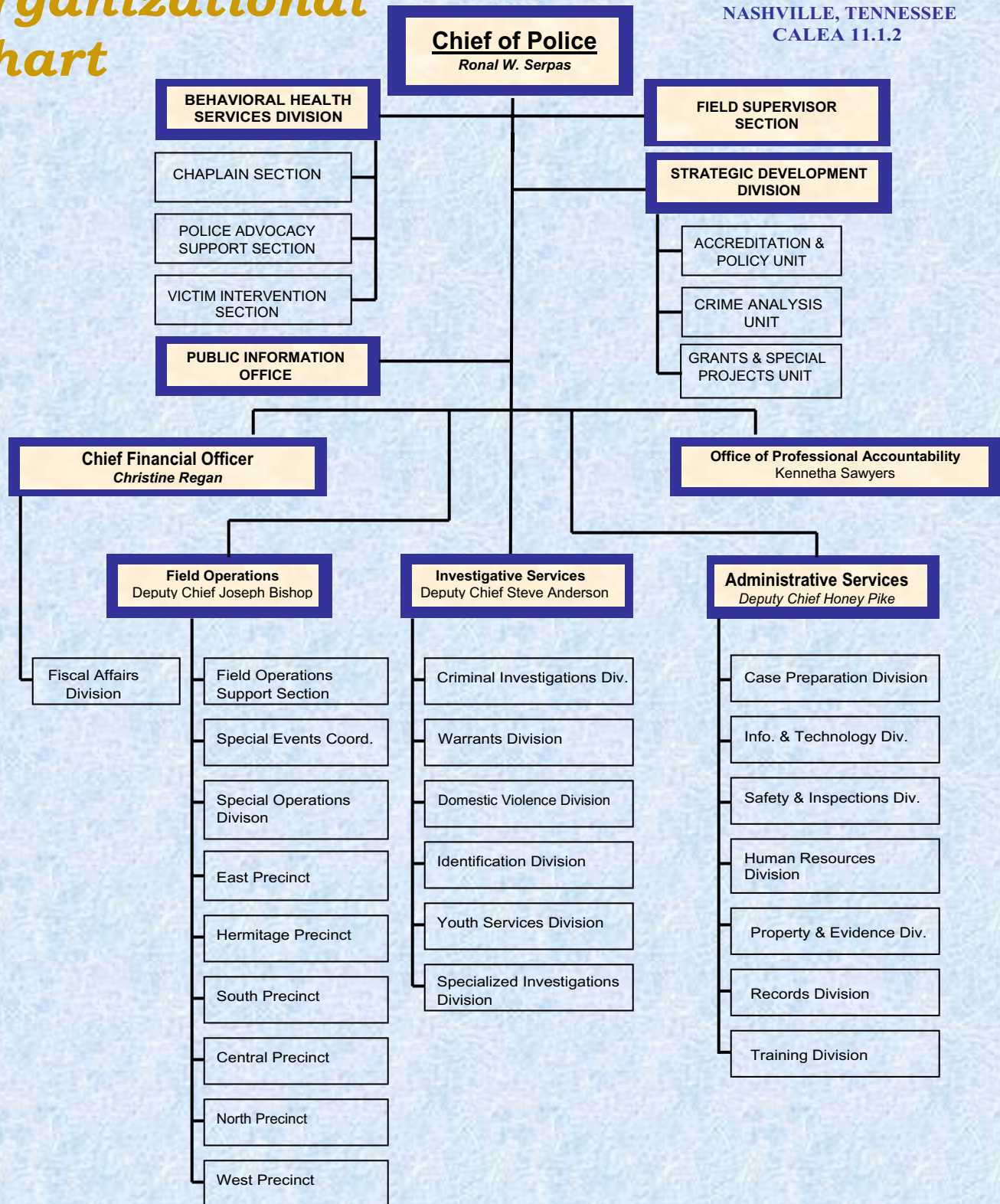
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Resignation Prior to Hearing .....	2
Oral Reprimand .....	39
Written Reprimand .....	105
Suspension .....	88





# Organizational Chart

METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE  
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# 2005 Reported Index Crimes

Overall in Nashville and Davidson County, reported index crimes decreased by 1.37% from calendar year 2004 to 2005. Forcible rape, aggravated assault, burglary, and motor vehicle theft all demonstrated decreases. Homicide, robbery, and larceny demonstrated increases. At the same time, the total physical arrests increased by 7.8% from 2004 to 2005. A record high 252,250 calls were received that required police response during 2005. This demonstrated a 4.6% increase in calls with a police response. During 2005, there were an average of 569 incidents per sworn. This is a further indication that officers are working harder than ever before.

The 2005 statistics demonstrate that the number of burglaries is at its lowest level since 1969 (35 years) and decreased 6.8% from 2004. Motor vehicle theft was also the crime category with the most significant percent of change from 2004 to 2005 with a 21.4% decrease. Forcible rape was down 10% and aggravated assault was down 2%. Overall, property crimes decreased 2.1%.

On the other hand, homicide was up 67.2% and robbery was up 13.5% over the 2004 figures. The increase in robbery significantly impacted the total violent crime count. As a result, violent crimes increased 1.9%. Larceny demonstrated a 2.2% increase.

However, if one assesses the crime rate determined by comparing reported crimes against Davidson County population estimates, female population estimates for rape, and the number of registered vehicles for auto theft, significant decreases can be noted. The last year that the overall, property, motor vehicle theft crime rates were lower than the 2005 rates was in 1989 (17 years ago). The last year that the burglary rate was lower was in 1965. The last year that the forcible rape rate per female was lower than 2005 was in 1979. Aggravated assault rate was at its second lowest level since 1992.

In 2005, 90 persons died in 90 fatal crashes during 2005. Motor vehicle crash related deaths decreased by 5.3% and fatal crashes decreased by 3.5%. This decrease in motor vehicle related deaths and fatal crashes occurred during a period that officers stepped up traffic enforcement initiatives throughout the city. Citations for moving violations increased by 14% as officers wrote 213,298 tickets during 2005.

## Part One Offenses

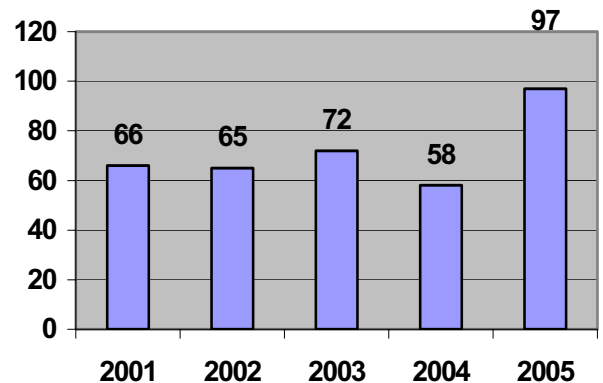
Because of their seriousness and frequency of occurrence, these seven crimes, called Part One Offenses, serve as a basis for indicating the nation's crime rate. The FBI uses Part One totals to calculate the crime index for cities in the United States and to make comparisons.

These charts depict a yearly summary for the past five years of reported criminal offenses in Nashville using Uniform Crime Reporting definitions and standards.

### 2005 UCR Stats:

- Homicide** = 97
- Rape** = 351
- Robbery** = 2,426
- Agg Assault** = 6,080
- Burglary** = 6,400
- Larceny** = 27,219
- Auto Theft** = 3,339

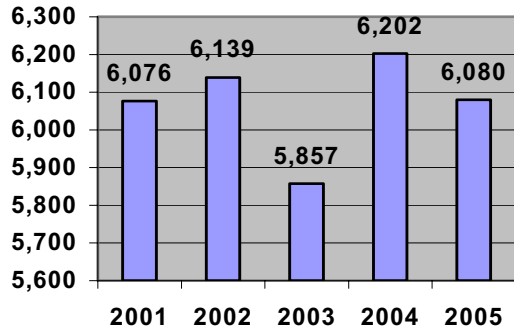
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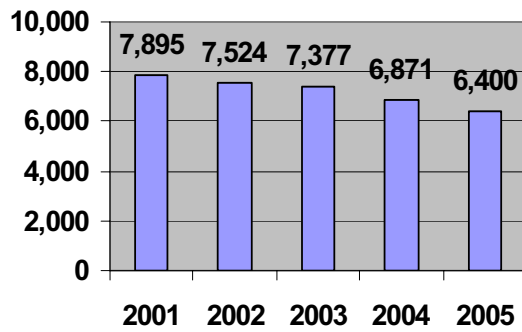


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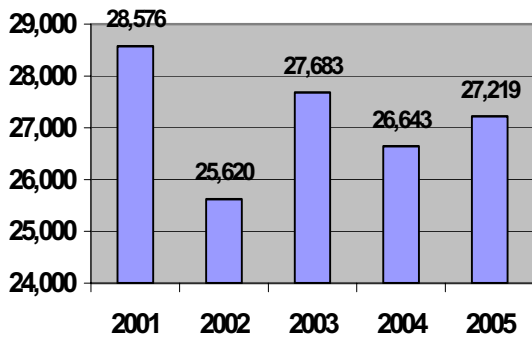
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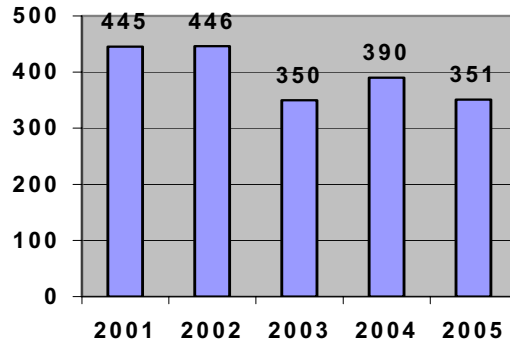
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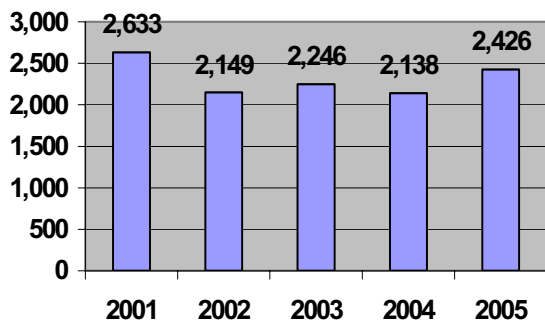
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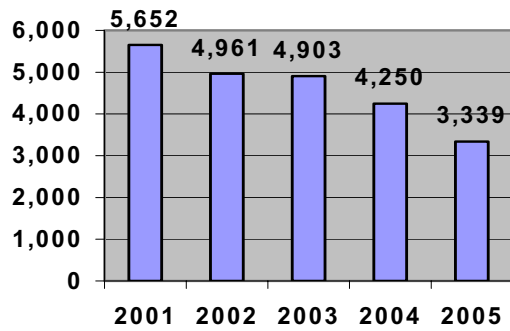
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## Overall Major Crime Fell 1.3% to a 14 Year Low

On February 17, 2006, Chief Ronal Serpas announced that overall major crime in Nashville fell 1.3% during 2005 to the lowest total since 1991. Dramatic decreases in burglary (which was at its lowest level since 1969) and auto theft (which was at its lowest level since 1989) led the categories showing decline. Also showing decreases last year when compared with 2004 were rape (down 10%) and aggravated assault (down 2%).

"While we and our partners in the community clearly have much to do to reduce crime, particularly among teenagers and young adults, I am grateful to, and proud of, the hundreds of hard working police officers whose dedication resulted in the overall crime decline," Chief Ronal Serpas said. "Reducing violent crime, including murder and robbery, is and will continue to be a priority of this police department."

"I am also very grateful to families and business owners throughout Nashville for their support. It is very important that the number of neighborhood watch groups grew by 17% in 2005 to 307," Serpas said.

Coming off a 37-year homicide low in 2004, murder in 2005 jumped 67% (58 cases vs. 97\*). Robbery increased 13% from '04 to '05. Larceny (theft) was up 2%.

"Patrol officers throughout the city, precinct detectives and our centralized gang and narcotics units are working diligently to identify and arrest the gun-carrying thugs who are resorting to senseless violence, much of which is tied to the drug trade," Serpas said. "Unfortunately, as we have seen time and again over the past several months, many of the suspects being arrested are in their teens and early 20's. The community as a whole, including the police department, schools, social agencies and, most importantly, parents and families, must be part of the solution."

Final crime tabulations for 2005 show three of the police department's six precincts recorded crime reductions. The West Precinct led the way with a 12% drop; the Central Precinct had a 6.6% decline; and the East Precinct had a 5.2% reduction. The three other precincts had single-digit crime increases: the North Precinct was up 1%; the Hermitage Precinct was up 5%; and the South Precinct was up 6%.

In a comparison of the past two years ('04 and '05), during which weekly compstat meetings were held, with the two previous years ('02 and '03): overall crime dropped nearly 4%; physical arrests increased 16%; citation arrests increased 26%; traffic crashes decreased 8%; drug-related charges increased 26%; and weapons law violations increased 4%. On average, the department operated with 5% fewer officers (60 individuals) in '04 and '05 vs. '02 and '03.

"I am extremely proud of the men and women of the Metropolitan Police Department. They have risen to the challenge and are making outstanding cases at a time when we are operating with fewer officers than when I came here in January of 2004," Serpas said. "Thanks to the support of Mayor Purcell and the Metro Council, we are continuing an aggressive hiring program and several classes of new officers will join our ranks this year. More officers will enable us to be even more responsive to the community."





# FY 2005 BUDGET TOTAL:

**\$163,346,349**

■ Local Salaries and Benefits  
\$104,557,700

□ Radio Shop Charge  
\$2,009,100

■ All Other (Local)  
\$12,698,600

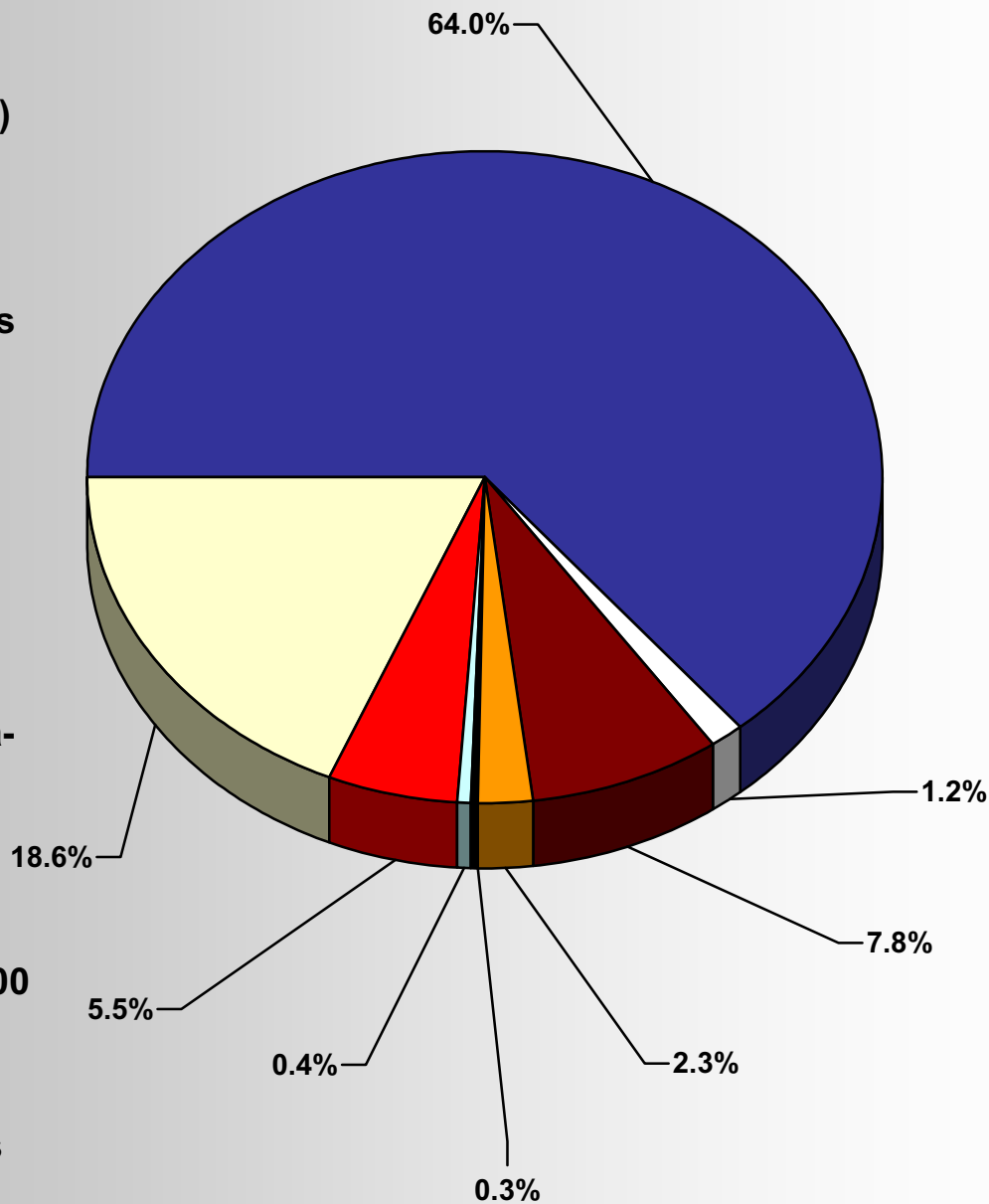
■ Fleet Operations  
\$3,764,400

■ Uniforms  
\$485,700

□ Telecommunications  
\$617,400

■ Grants & Other Funds  
\$8,909,200

■ Capital Projects  
\$30,304,249





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### **QUALIFICATIONS**

- May apply at age 20, but must be 21 at time of appointment.
- Possess a minimum of 60 semester hours from an accredited academic institution.
- Transcript of grades must show at least a 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 system, or High School Diploma or GED, documentation of two(2) years military experience (Honorable Discharge). Military duty should have been completed within three(3) years of application date.
- Eyesight must be no worse than 20/100 uncorrected, 20/20 in better eye, 20/30 in other eye.
- Be in excellent physical and mental health with no restrictions that could restrict or impair police work.



### **BENEFITS**

- Competitive Pay
- 20 Vacation Days
- 3 Personal Days
- 10 Holidays



- 1 Sick Day/Month (May Build to 120)
- Generous Health/Dental Benefits
- Excellent Retirement Benefits