

Greer Police Department

City of Greer

2014 Annual Report



Staff:

- Chief of Police, Dan Reynolds
Administrative Assistant: 1
- Professional Standards, Capt. Matt Hamby
- Patrol Division, Lt. Cris Varner
5 Sgt's., 4 Cpl's, 20 Officers
- Criminal Investigation Division, Lt. Eric Pressley
1 Sgt., 1 Cpl., 4 Detectives, 3 Civilians
- Operational Support Division, Lt. Marcus Kelley
1 Sgt., 1 Dispatch Sup., 5 Detention Officers, 8 Dispatchers, 1 Property and Evidence Officer, 3 Clerks
- Administration Support Division, Lt. Jimmy Holcombe
2 Sgt's, 4 SRO's

The mission of the Greer Police Department is to Provide quality services in partnership with the Community to ensure safe and secure neighborhoods.

P = Pride
R = Respect
I = Integrity
D = Dedication
E = Empowerment



Greer
City of Greer, SC
Police Department

The logo for the Greer Police Department features a stylized blue wave graphic above the word "Greer" in a bold, sans-serif font. Below this, the text "City of Greer, SC" and "Police Department" is written in a smaller, italicized serif font.

Chief of Police



Chief Dan Reynolds

The City of Greer places a great emphasis on the safety and security of its citizens by providing the Police Department with sufficient resources to effectively accomplish its mission. The Department stresses the importance of good customer relations for both internal (team members) and external (community members) customers.

Our Team members are one of our most valued resources, and must be treated with respect and empowered to perform their daily tasks. They must be given the guidance, training and equipment necessary to accomplish our mission. Our managers and supervisors are tasked with providing the necessary leadership to enable our team members to be successful.

The citizens of Greer and those who receive our services are also considered a valuable asset to the Department. As our motto states: "Policing is a Partnership." We take this seriously and sincerely believe that without the support of the community we can not hope to accomplish our mission.

We therefore feel it is essential to treat everyone we contact with dignity and respect.

We feel the Greer Police Department has been committed to the ideals as stated, and this has enabled us to be successful in the past and will carry this success into the future.

Sincerely,

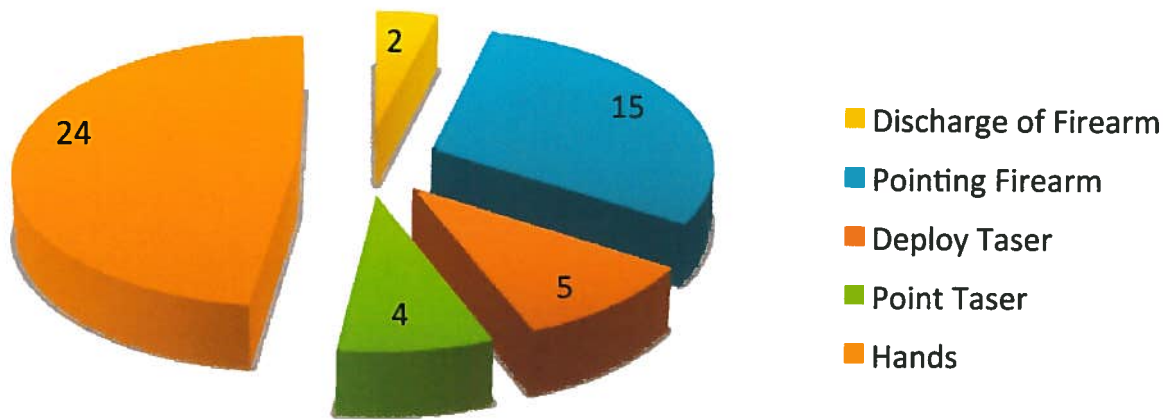
Dan Reynolds

2014 Major Accomplishments

- All collision reports are completed on Reportbeam
- Patrol Equipped with Body Cameras
- Established Traffic Team which handles 80% of all collisions and employs newly purchased speed signs
- Vice Team certified to dismantle meth labs, and participating in Upstate Meth Task Force.
- Establish repeat offender program
- Victim Advocate Meghan Weibel was nationally certified and appointed as a state-wide mentor to new victim advocated
- Call for service increased the last 3 years and 10.9% from 2013-2014
- Detention Officer certified to carry weapons and transport prisoners (Court Security)
- Upgrade detention computer for inmate processing system
- Marijuana lab passed OSHA inspection
- Greer Police Citizens Academy Alumni Association members volunteered 1664 hours
- Neighborhoods involved in "National Night Out" and Neighborhood Watch increased
- Crime Prevention focused on construction thefts
- Community service workers removed 1500 gallons of litter from city streets
- Completed 40hrs of Social Intelligence training for all police employees

Professional Standards

Use of Control Techniques by Type of Control



The Captain's Office supervises the Commanders of the four sections of the Police Department and maintains Professional Standards for the Department. The Office of Professional Standards is responsible for the investigation of alleged misconduct by police officers; the development and progress of the Department's Policies and Procedures and grants.



Capt. Matt Hamby

2014 Grants / MOU		
Greenville County Schools	3 SRO's	\$150,000
DOJ Vest Grant		\$2,400
SCMIRF Taser		\$1,000
		Total \$153,400

Patrol Division



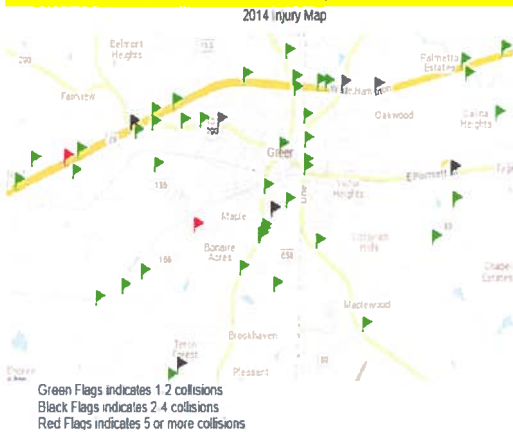
Lt. Cris Varner

The Patrol Division is responsible for meeting the law enforcement needs of the community. The Patrol Division currently consist of twenty-nine officer that provide visible deterrence to crime by establishing marked patrol united throughout the city as well as answering calls for service from members of the community. The Patrol Division is the first line of defense regarding all criminal activity.

During 2014 we started a Traffic Team which consist of three officers. They vary their work schedule after studying the previous month’s collision times and days of the week. As of the end of the year they were working on an average of handling 78% of the collisions in the City.

Two K-9 handlers were chosen during the year. They will begin training with their dogs during the first quarter of 2015.

	2012	2013	2014	% Change 13-14
Citations	4569	7177	8739	21.76%
Warnings	3082	3676	4289	16.58%
Arrests	2293	2068	2194	6.10%
Reports	3581	3466	3693	6.55%
Collisions	1057	1069	1289	20.58%
Miles	332632	320118	378158	18.13%
Warrants	1857	1653	1449	-12.34%
Field Interviews	534	473	291	-38.48%



The Department was chosen to be a test site for the “Report Beam” computer system for completing collision reports and printing the people involved a report from the patrol car. Since the spring we have trained all the patrol officers on this system and as of December 31st, all collision reports are done on Report Beam. Printers, computers and scanners were given to the department from the state. The approximate cost of these products was \$80,000.00 and was at zero cost to the City, thanks to the partnership with the South Carolina Department of Public Safety.

Patrol Division

All Traffic Solution Signs

The statistical data recorded by these signs can be analyzed to determine any safety or enforcement concerns. Another benefit of these signs are that they are programmable from the officer's laptop or SMART phone, allowing for less time spent programing over the traditional traffic signs.



All patrol officers were outfitted with the Provision Bodycam that were purchased with confiscated funds.

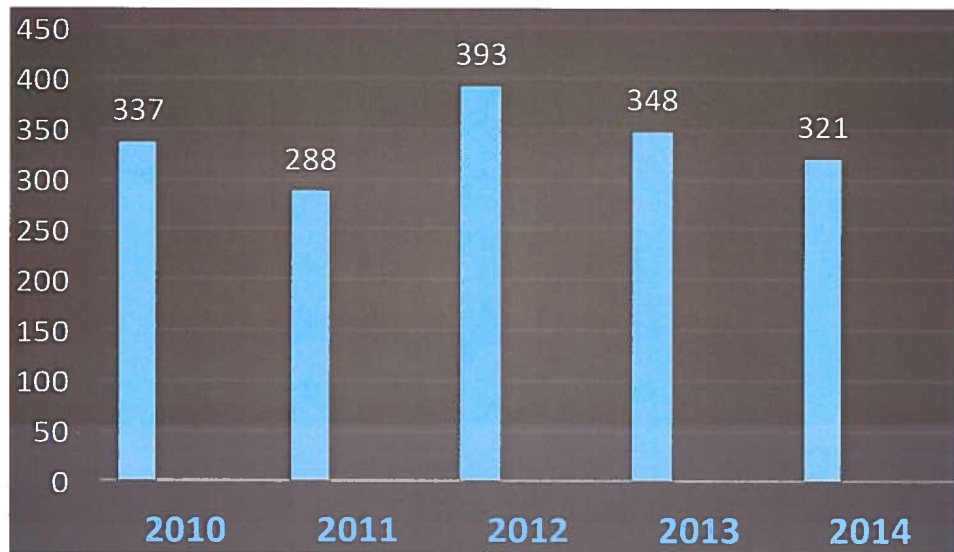
Criminal Investigation Division



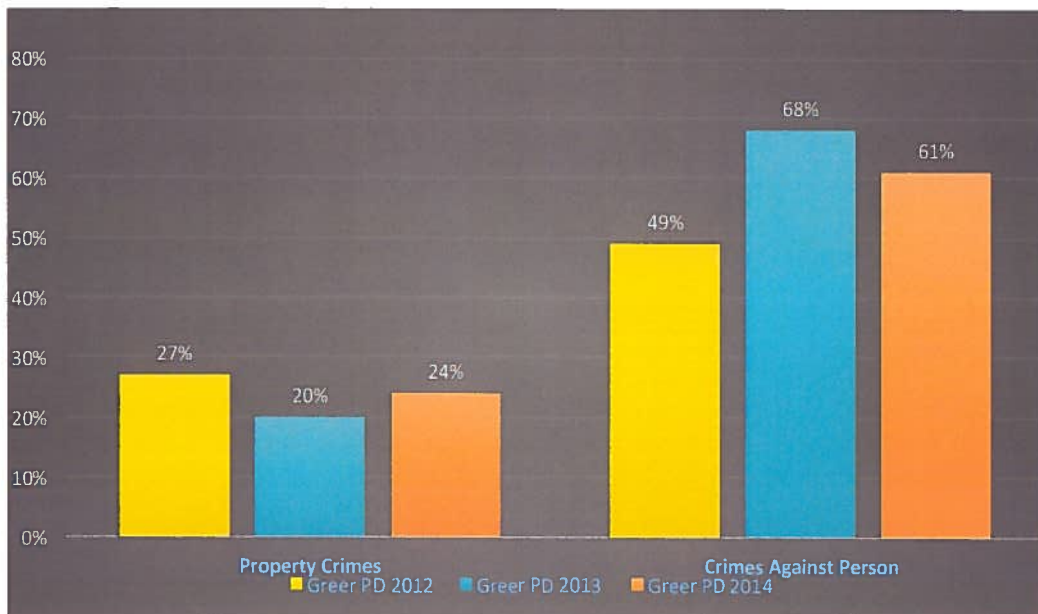
Lt. Eric Pressley

The function of the Criminal Investigation Division (CID) is to conduct follow up investigations to most major crimes that occur in the City of Greer. Each investigator is assigned a specific area of expertise; however, all investigators remain subject to any type of crime as needed. All of Greer's detectives have received significant advanced training ranging from topics of crime scene investigation, forensics, interview and interrogation, and criminal behavior.

CID currently consist of a lieutenant, a sergeant, a corporal, four detectives, a crime analysis, a victim advocate and a part-time clerk.

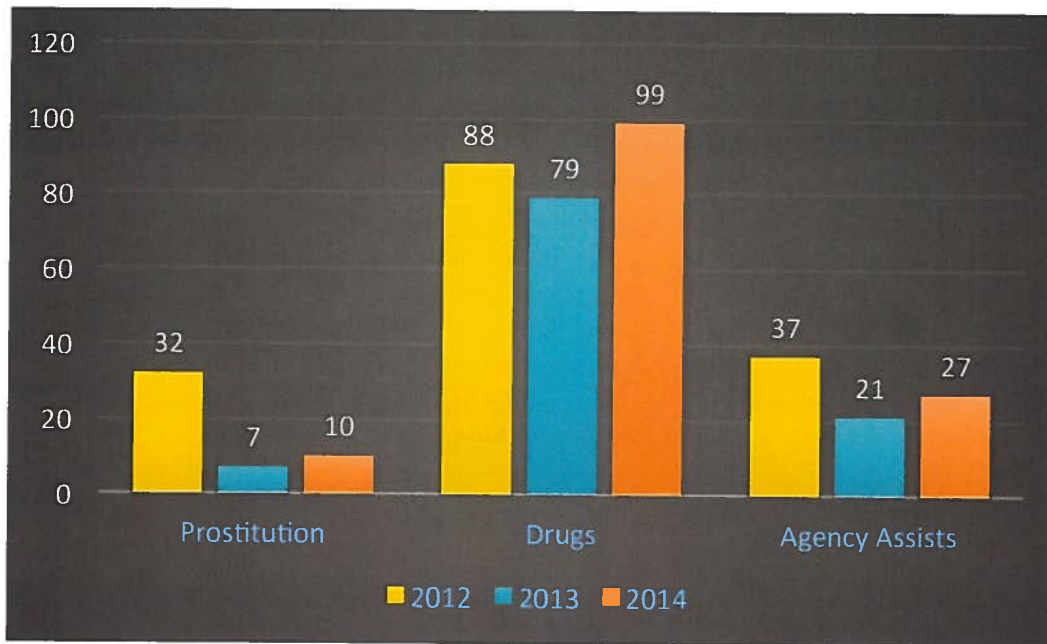


Assigned Cases



Clearance Rate

Criminal Investigation Division



Vice Activity

Methamphetamine remains a significant drug of choice and driving force behind criminal activity. The Vice Team combats this problem by participating in Upstate Methamphetamine task forces, dismantling labs, and providing education to schools, local businesses, and industry. In 2014, the Vice Team dismantled ten labs.



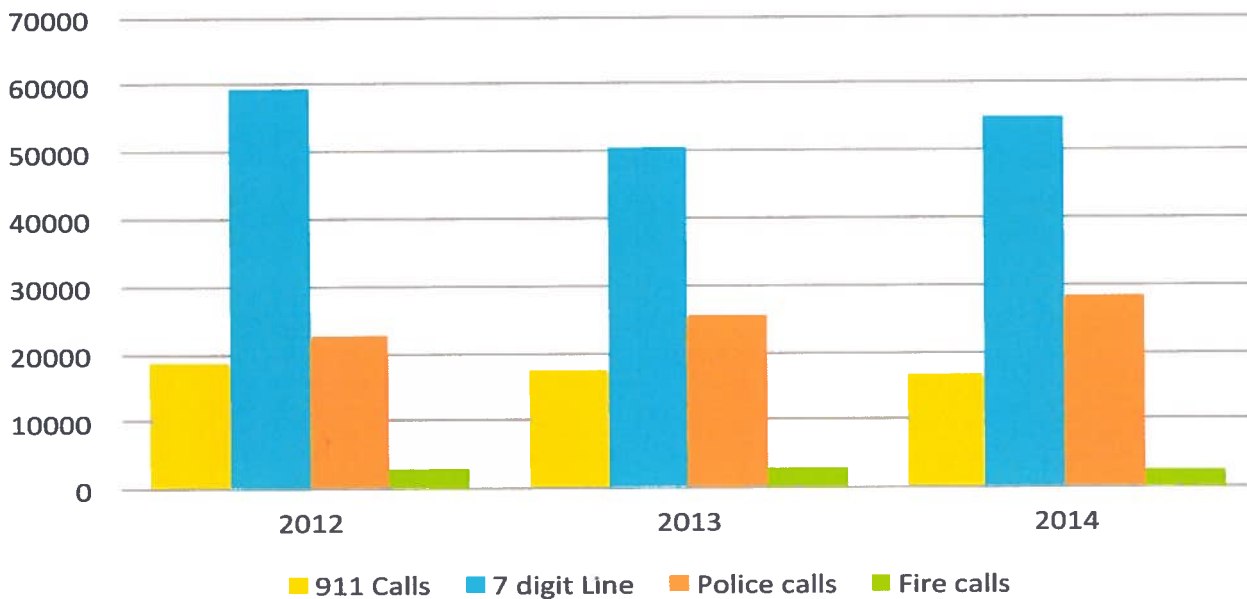
Operational Support Division



Lt. Marcus Kelley

The Operational Support Division consist of Telecommunications, Detention, Property and Evidence, Animal Control, Records, and Data Entry. The Telecommunication section is responsible for answering 911 calls, seven digit calls, transferring medical call to the proper EMS, dispatching police and fire, and entering calls into the CAD system. The detention section is responsible for booking prisoners, monitoring the prisoners that are housed in our facility, fingerprinting, entering warrants and checking them upon request. Property and Evidence is responsible for entering evidence into the computer, storing evidence, taking evidence to get analyzed, pulling evidence for court, disposing of evidence, acting as Bailiff on court day and testing drugs in the drug lab. Animal Control is responsible for answering animal complaints, ensuring the animals in th city are registered and their rabies shots are up to date, picking up stray animals, issuing citations, and picking up deceased animals from the roadways. The Records and Data Entry section is responsible for ensuring that all reports entered by the officers are correct and ready for submission to the state.

Operations Division - E-911 Dispatch

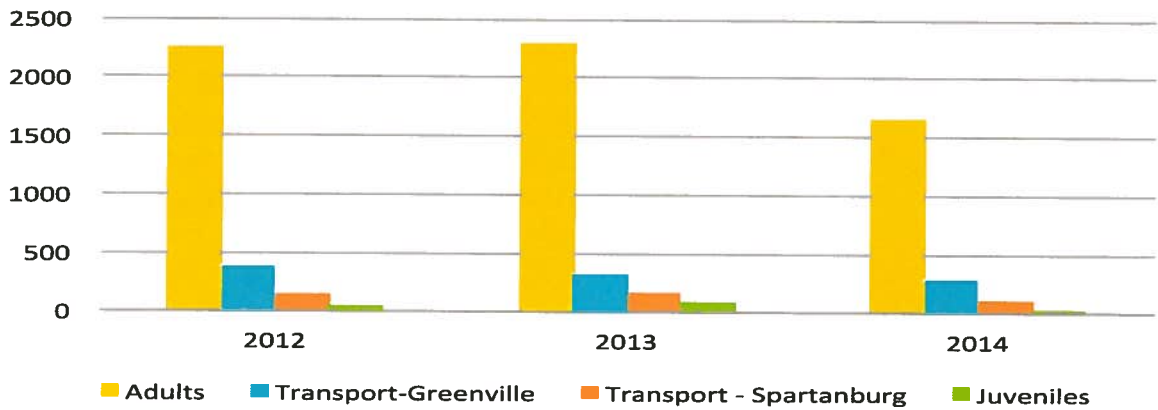


	911 Calls	7 DigitLine	Police calls	Fire calls
2012	18762	59222	22836	3097
2013	17469	50378	25517	2870
2014	16791	55043	28302	2460

Police calls for service increased 10.9% from previous year; number of 911 calls decreased 3.9% from previous year.

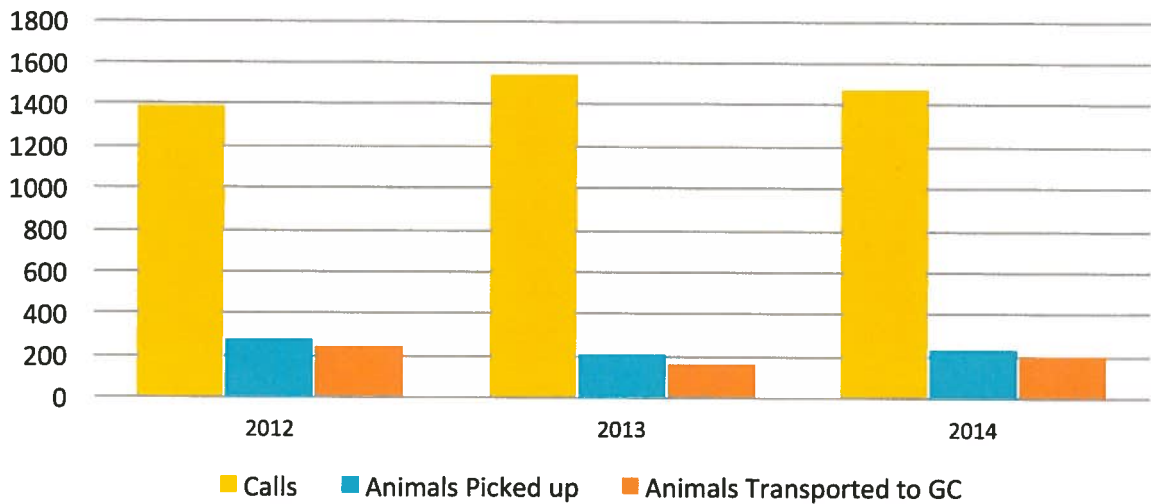
Operational Support Division

Detention Statistics



	Adults	Transport- Greenville	Transport - Spartanburg	Juveniles	Patrol Coverage Hours
2012	2259	382	148	58	1386
2013	2301	320	174	79	82
2014	1652	286	113	36	263

Animal Control Calls



Operations - Animal Control

Year	Calls	Animals Picked up	Animals Transported to GC	% Pick Up	% Transported After Pickup
2012	1395	281	243	20%	86%
2013	1542	204	158	13%	77%
2014	1472	232	196	16%	84%

Administration Support Division



The Administration Support Division consists of hiring, fleet management, PIO, Citizens Academy Coordinator, Community Outreach Division and the Training Division. The Community Outreach Division works with local business, schools, and citizens to promote the benefits of crime prevention. Within the Community Outreach Division, there are four School Resource Officers (SRO's) that work in the Middle and High Schools within the City. The function of the Training Division is to ensure that officer certifications are keep up to date and to provide professional development for all department employees.

Lt. Jimmy Holcombe

	Positions	Filled	Light Duty/ FMLA/ Deployed	Total
Sworn Officers	53	52	0	52
Dispatch	9	9	0	9
Detention	5	4	0	4
Admin	5/2	5/2	0	5/2
Animal Control	1	1	0	1
<u>Total</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>71/2</u>	<u>(0)</u>	<u>71/2</u>



- The Greer Police Alumni Association volunteered 1664 hours during 2014.
- The Alumni Association and SRO's Wright and Galli will be conducting a Youth Leadership Camp in the summer of 2015

Spring Citizens Police Academy graduating class

Administration Support Division

During 2014 there were 4 locations for the National Night Out.

- Oakland Place Apartment
- Needmore Community Center
- Trade Street Association
- Hammett Crossing



Sgt. Smith at a National Night Out event

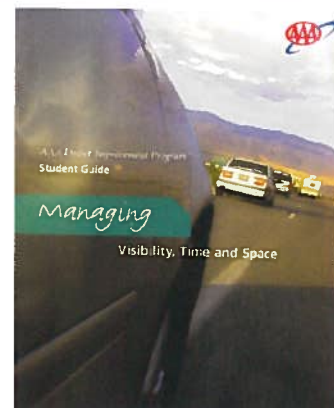


As the constructions in the city has increased, the Community Outreach Division met with contractors to provide input to help and secure their sites, reducing construction thefts. The Department purchased a mobile alarm system that can be placed at different location with motion sensors that will alert dispatch if there is activity at the site where the system is set up.



1500 gallons of litter was removed from city streets thanks to the reestablishment of the use of community service workers.

The Training Division held 91 classes in 2014 that consisted of 1650 students and had an estimated economic impact of \$21,000. The Department provided the AAA Driver Improvement Program to all city employees, which served as a good refresher to the employees and will continued to be offered to new employees as the department continued support to create safe roadways. The AAA program has been submitted to MASC for the MASC Safety Innovation Award. The department also completed the Social Intelligence Skills for Law Enforcement for all department



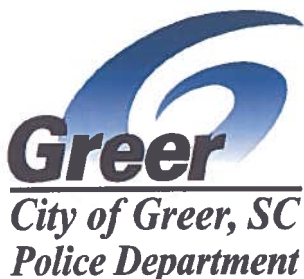
2015 Department Goals

- Computerized Early Warning system
- Implement Canine Unit (2 officers)
- Install new CAD System - Greenville County
- Evaluate communications system to cover city expansion
- Add Area 5 - Request 6 additional officers
- Summer Youth Leadership Academy - 3 week course
- Expand crime prevention efforts - Neighborhood Watches, National Night Out sites, and Project ID

Strategic Plan

The department will continue to implement programs and provide services in relation to the strategic plan:

- Evaluate and make recommendations regarding services and operations to create efficiencies, eliminate waste and maximize productivity.
- Evaluate the customer service program to identify needs and make recommendation for expansion and additional training.
- Study and evaluate alternative service delivery and functions opportunities.
- Develop strategy for a master plan to effectively manage improvements, growth issues, services provision, and public safety.
- Develop strategies to include Crime Prevention through Environmental Design Standards in property development and land use regulations.
- Conduct regular training for business related legal issues such as counterfeiting check forgery, shop lifting, and site safety,
- Participate in community events to promote community connectivity facilitate community problem solving, and provide residents with information about city services.
- Evaluate community policing services and make recommendations for enhancing, expanding and/or adding programs.
- Develop strategies to effectively use List serves, subscriber email, social networks, E-track, website, cable channel, kiosks, etc. to provide targeted and general information about city services and events.



Policing is a Partnership

