



Cambridge Police Department 2016 End of Year Report Chief Mark A. DeLancey

The Cambridge Police Department has served and protected the citizens of Cambridge since 1903. Going into 2017 our proud tradition of dedicated service will expand and continue to include; implementation of more community oriented policing programs and the continued aggressive targeting of narcotics traffickers/violent criminals within our city.

In 2016, the Cambridge Police Department experienced many changes; the promotion of a new Chief of Police, new uniforms and reorganization of the department's rank structure. The greatest and most exciting changes to me as Chief, has been the increased motivation and esprit de corps of the officers in the department. In 2016, the department experienced budget shortfalls, personnel shortages, and increases in both violent crime and narcotics offenses. With all that was available as a distraction, the officers of the Cambridge Police Department maintained their focus on the job at hand by performing above and beyond the call of duty.

Nationwide in 2016, there were 135 police officers killed in the line of duty. The national news continues to highlight instances of abuse of police authority and the use of deadly force against citizens. During this same time period, Cambridge Police Officers had no instances where deadly force was utilized and used physical force only when necessary. In the majority of instances there were absolutely no injury to the suspect, and only minor injuries reported in the remaining cases where force was necessary.

During 2016 several officers were injured in the line of duty during confrontations with suspects and the department filed 6 felony level assaults on officer charges against those suspects.

In closing, I would like to thank all of Cambridge City Counsel, Mayor Orr, Auditor Suellen Johnson, Safety Director Hill, and Captain Mark Baker for all of the assistance they have provided to myself and the department. Without that assistance my transition to Chief would not have been as smooth, nor as productive. I have served the citizens of Cambridge for almost 24 years, and in that time I have never experienced the level of cooperation between the Police Department and the City Administration that exists today. My expectation is to maintain that level of cooperation as we head into 2017 with one goal in mind; to provide the citizens of the City of Cambridge a safe community in which to raise their families and to provide them with the most professional police services possible.

Respectfully,

Mark A. DeLancey

Chief of Police

Personnel/Staffing Levels

In 2016 the department saw the retirements of Chief Randy Lepage, Detective Brian Harbin and Confidential Secretary Joellen O'Donnell. We also began looking ahead to the future of the department by hiring several new officers, and are on our way to reaching the departments staffing goal of twenty-eight sworn officers.

As of January 13, 2017, the Cambridge Police Department is staffed with twenty-four sworn officers, three dispatchers and one clerical position:

Chief DeLancey	Officer Miller	Officer May (Currently in field training)
Captain Baker	Officer Loudin	Officer James (Currently in field training)
Lieutenant Milam	Officer Oliver	Officer Vickers (Currently in field training)
Lieutenant Peoples	Officer Baker	Officer Larrick (Academy January 30 th , 2017)
Sergeant Gebhart	Officer Eubanks	Dispatcher Hyland
Sergeant Ferguson	Officer Wagner	Dispatcher Stroud
Sergeant Wolfe	Officer Ryan	Dispatcher Lacroix
Detective Clark	Officer Gerdau	Secretary Thompson
Detective Angler	Officer Smith	
Officer Long (SRO)	Officer Harper	

Currently the department has an active Civil Service test for Patrol Officer, but to meet our staffing goals another test will be needed in 2017. To prepare for the anticipated retirements of Ptl. Long in 2017 and Lt. Milam's in 2018 the department will need to hire and have trained 6 additional officers to reach 28 sworn officers by the end of 2018.

Crime Statistics:

Below is a brief summary of the Calls for Service for the Cambridge Police Department in 2016.

Total Calls for Service 9,217

Patrol Division:

121 Felony Drug Arrest	164 Assaults (12 were with a deadly weapon)
26 Shots Fired Calls	130 Burglary Calls
112 Field Interviews	24 Breaking & Entering
36 Stolen Vehicles	910 Disorderly Conducts
12 Suicides	152 Domestic Violence
4 Bomb Threats	118 Juvenile Runaways
3 Rape	16 OVI
134 Threats	639 Thefts
217 Criminal Mischief	611 Traffic Accidents
276 Assist Other Agencies	26 Weapons Possession
24 Child Abuse Cases	97 Disabled Vehicles
52 Criminal Trespass	1,396 Traffic Stops
515 Alarm Responses	284 Citations Issued

During 2016 the Cambridge Police Department made a total of 1500 arrests. These arrest include felony, misdemeanor, and traffic arrests.

Felony Cases Investigated/Processed by the Cambridge Police Department Detective Bureau.

121 Felony drug cases initiated by uniformed officers

48 Undercover felony drug cases (active operations were limited to 40 days in 2016)

34 Aggravated Burglaries

28 Felony theft cases/receiving stolen property

21 Felony cases involving firearms

21 Felony fraud or forgery cases

15 Felony Sexual Assaults

14 Felonious Assaults (assaults involving use of a weapon or one that caused permanent injury)

14 Felony Conveyance into a correctional facility

12 Felony Tampering with Evidence

8 Robbery

7 Motor Vehicle Thefts

6 Felonious assaults on police officers

6 Felony child abuse cases

5 Suspicious deaths

4 Disseminating harmful material to a juvenile

4 Felony failure to comply with the order of a police officer

2 Arsons

2 Terroristic threats

2 Manufacturing of drugs

1 Kidnapping

In total the Cambridge Police Department investigated 379 Felony cases in 2016.

SWAT

In 2016 the Cambridge Police Departments tactical team was used 9 times. In one case the team was used for a quick reaction force during the visit of vice presidential candidate Mike Pence. The remaining operations were high risk warrant services of known violent narcotics traffickers.

The tactical team also experienced a change in leadership. Lt. Karl Milam has passed on his position as Team Leader to Lt. David Peoples. Lt. Milam has played an integral role for many years in the development and training of the department's tactical team and in the effort to eradicate narcotics from our community. I have total confidence that Lt. Peoples will continue the uncompromising expectation of excellence expected of the Cambridge Police Department SWAT team.

K-9

During 2016 and continuing into 2017, the departments K-9 Unit consists of K-9 Luna and her handler Lt. Milam and K-9 Breeze handled by Patrolman Jarod Eubanks. Both Ptl. Eubanks and K-9 Breeze attended the 2 month training and certification program offered by the Police K-9 Association in Canton graduating at the end of December 2016.

In 2017 the department intends to purchase another K-9 that will be handled by Patrolman Zack Smith. Both K-9 Breeze, the future K-9, along with all equipment and training required have been purchased through donations from local businesses and citizens. I would like to say thank you to all in the community who donated, and for their support. I would also like to thank City Counsel, the Mayor and Safety Director Hill for their continued support of the department's K-9 program. Without this support, a program that I see as vital to officer and citizen safety could not be maintained at the level it stands today.