

Independence Police Department

2019 ANNUAL REPORT

Crime Statistics

2019 National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS)

Violent Crime			
Murder:	9	Domestic Violence Crime:	1,035
Aggravated Assault:	459	Drug/Narcotic Violations:	831
Robbery:	106	Firearm Related Crimes:	464
Sexual Assault:	130	Hate Crime:	4
Property Crime			
Burglary:	566	Law Enforcement Officers (LEOs) Assaulted:	66
Motor Vehicle Theft:	1,015	Aggravated Assault Against LEOs:	19
Fraud:	448	Simple Assault Against LEOs :	47
Arson:	19		
Larceny (Theft):	3,951		

2019 HIGHLIGHTS

STEP Program Replaces DARE

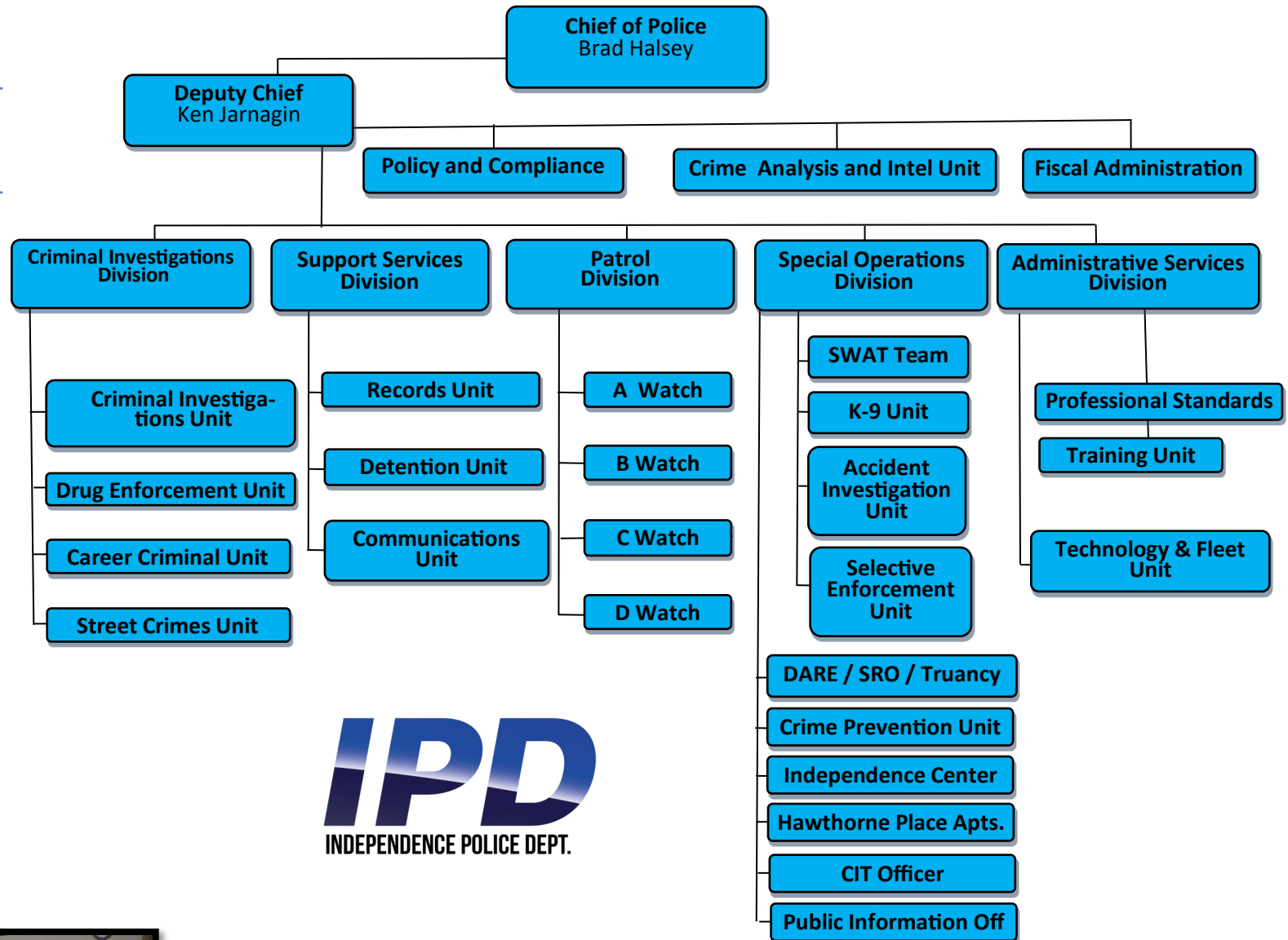
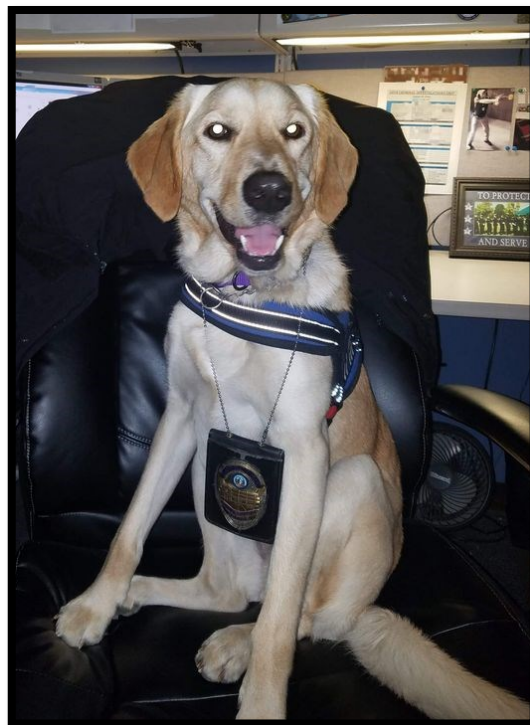
Beginning in the 2019-2020 academic school year, SRO's no longer participated in the DARE program. Instead, a newly developed program, STEP (Students Transitioning Exceptionally Prepared), was implemented. This innovative program was developed by the School Resource Officer Sergeant, Sergeant Shull. All of the SRO's played a major role in getting the program established by producing the specific courses that are now taught in the STEP program. The program not only benefits the police department, but also provides additional services to the Independence School District. Most notably, both organizations enjoy the benefits without adding any additional operating costs to either entity. Terminating the DARE program allowed the SRO Unit to assign both former DARE Officers to schools that previously did not have SRO's assigned to them and could not be filled due to budgetary constraints.

Introducing the newest member of IPD

The Independence Police Department is proud to announce the start of our police department therapy dog program. This year, we met "Josie," our new police therapy dog. Josie is a two-year old golden retriever/border collie mix who is a trained therapy and PTSD dog. She has been donated to the Independence Police Department by K9's For Freedom & Independence, a non-profit organization that trains and donates dogs to military veterans and first responders.

Our therapy dog's purpose is to help improve the psychological well-being of our employees at the police department. The therapy dog was assigned to our Peer Support Team and resides with one of the team's members. The dog will accompany the assigned officer during his regular tour of duty at work. We are excited for this new addition to our police family and hope Josie can help us all better cope with the various stresses of the job.

Josie is unique is that we believe we are the first police department in the Metro area, possibly even the Midwest to have a therapy dog.



Integrity. Service. Character.

Emergency Communications Center

98,893 911 Calls Dispatched
93,914 Police Incidents
22,476 Fire Incidents
228,147 Non-Emergency calls
164 Text to 911 calls

TRAFFIC UNITS

2,278 Traffic Crashes
11 Fatality Crashes
29,212 citations issued by the traffic unit
285 Parking Citations Issued

PATROL

In 2019, officers assigned to the *Patrol Division* responded to over 64,000 calls for service and completed around 17,100 police reports. Officers recorded over 16,300 warrant arrests, and almost 20,000 self-initiated arrests. There were an average of 12.85 calls for service, per day, per officer.

DETENTION

10,137 Persons booked in detention
1,815 Detainees housed off-site

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

2,823 Cases Assigned to the Criminal Investigations Unit
719 In-Custody cases
412 Stop Orders issued
490 Arrest Warrants Obtained
11 Homicide Investigations
430 Cases assigned to the Drug Enforcement Unit.
278 Cases submitted to State/Federal/Other Agency
444 TruNarc Testing

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

141 Complaints Against Personnel
Closed: 54
Closed (Non-Cooperation): 3
Exonerated: 4
Not Sustained: 3
Pending: 36
Sustained: 34
Unfounded: 6

RESPONSE TO FORCE INCIDENTS

- There were 134 response to force incidents, a decrease of 14.1% from 2018.
- 14 IPD officers sustained minor injuries during these incidents. This is a decrease from 29 minor injuries to officers in 2018.

RECORDS

69,144 Citizen Assists
5,708 Desk Police Reports
135,960 Telephone inquiries
33,842 Mail and Fax inquiries
30,331 Report Merges/Accidents
\$778,248.70 Collected in bonds
(includes outside agencies)

D.A.R.E., Truancy and School Resource Officers

1,257 students were taught during 316 D.A.R.E. classes.
3,519 students were taught the new STEP classes
222 STEP classes were taught to 5th and 8th graders.
9,630 Calls For Service
1000 Liquor Compliance Checks
49 Violations (compliance rate of 95.1%.)



HAWTHORNE PLACE APTS.

365 Calls for Service
104 Police Reports
534 Background checks
Assisted with 24 evictions.

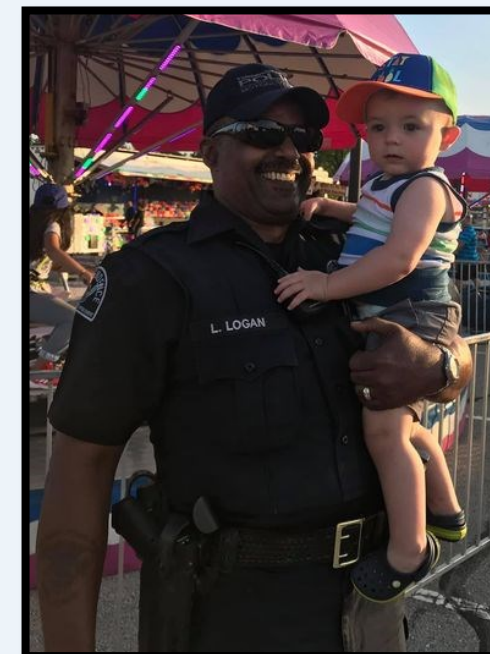
K9 Unit

729 Arrests.
602 K9 Calls for Service
15 Call-Outs.
26 Demonstrations
40 Apprehension contacts
59 Building searches
310 Narcotic searches

SWAT Team

77 Activations
51 Search Warrants
153 Residence Checks
10 Barricades
384 Hours of training

The Bomb Squad was called out 31 times in 2019



INDEPENDENCE CENTER

967 Calls for Service
539 Police Reports
142 Disorderly House Cases.
\$79,767 recovered worth of stolen merchandise for the businesses at the Center and along 39th Street.



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