

2023

ANNUAL REPORT



JAMESTOWN, NY POLICE DEPARTMENT
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JAMESTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT



MESSAGE FROM CHIEF JACKSON

2023 saw the first Citizens Academy class graduate in over 20 years at the Jamestown Police Department. The department plans on holding more sessions in future years contingent on funding as there were many interested applicants.

In June of 2023, Officer Zach Sandberg was selected to fill the newly created nuisance officer position. This position was created to combat the loud music, loud exhausts and the multitude of other complaints the police department receives on a daily basis which directly effects the quality of life of city residents. To date, Officer Sandberg has issued over 50 citations for loud music, 40 citations for loud exhaust, and 20 citations for housing and property issues such as trash/debris, and unregistered vehicles to name a few.

Also in June of this year, Officers Chris Draudt and Brian Park were selected to fill the positions of violence interdiction officer. These positions help fight violent crime and take a proactive approach to removing illegally possessed firearms and narcotics off the street. This year saw a large increase in arrests due in part through officer initiated enforcement efforts. This year the officers have made over 100 felony arrests, 200 misdemeanor arrests, seized over 30 weapons including firearms, and seized over 230 gms of methamphetamine and 130 gms of fentanyl.



Based on the preliminary incident-based reporting data, Part I Offenses decreased - 5.4% and Part II Offenses (excluding “All Other Offenses”) increased by + 13.3%, as compared to the 5-yr average between 2018 and 2022. The increase in Part II Offenses is linked to increases in simple assaults, criminal mischief, and drug-related offenses in 2023. The department continued its proactive approach to fighting crime by utilizing NYS GIVE funds to conduct micro hot spot policing in areas of high crime.

This year, the department welcomed new officers Sallyanne Rudny, Zachary Langless, Seth Mactavish, Emily Foy, and Dakota Gardner. Sergeants Matthew Bentley and Adam McKinley were promoted to Lieutenant. Community Resource Officer Matt Rhinehart was promoted to Detective, and Officer Courtney Schauman was promoted to Detective. Lieutenants Rob Bender, Rob Ward, and Detective Jay Wadsworth retired after 20 years of service.

In 2023, the Jamestown Police Department was awarded \$261,199 as part of New York State’s GIVE grant. This amount is nearly triple the amount from previous years. This money will be used to increase proactive policing, community/youth engagement and conduct additional domestic violence follow-ups and home visits through June of 2024.

— *Chief Timothy Jackson*

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Jamestown Police Department is to ensure peace, safety, and a sense of well-being to the culturally diverse Jamestown community. The goals of a high quality of life, crime prevention and racial harmony are shared with community members.

This Mission shall be accomplished through the preservation of peace, building community partnerships, the safeguarding of all individuals' personal liberties, and the prevention and resolution of crime.

The Jamestown Police Department is committed to this mission and each member is individually sworn to conduct themselves in a manner of excellence and professionalism in the service and dedication to the Jamestown community.



2023 CRIME STATISTICS

Please note this data uses unofficial IBR tally data to provide UCR-style assessment of crime. These statistics are preliminary counts of the original police incident reports and may vary from the final IBR statistics published by NYS and the FBI.

Jamestown, NY Crime Index & Rate

Reported Part I Offenses 2018-2023						
Offense	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Murder	1	0	1	2	2	1
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	48	31	36	30	35	45
Handgun	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Firearm	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Weapon	0	1	0	0	0	0
Fear	30	15	14	18	26	23
Expanded Rape	18	15	22	12	9	22
Robbery	28	20	28	38	28	21
Handgun	0	0	0	1	3	0
Other Firearm	5	4	5	12	4	1
Knife/Cutting Instrument	3	2	5	2	4	8
Other Dangerous Weapon	2	0	5	1	3	1
Strong Arm	18	14	13	22	14	11
Aggravated Assault	151	149	190	167	174	168
Handgun	0	0	0	0	0	8
Other Firearm	8	12	14	26	30	11
Knife/Cutting Instrument	68	55	69	59	64	77
Other Dangerous Weapon	30	36	63	54	49	50
Strong Arm	45	46	44	28	31	22
Burglary	192	203	239	233	204	179
Larceny	602	622	572	548	582	558
Motor Vehicle Theft	24	39	43	43	64	44

Crime Index

Is used to gauge change in the aggregate number of offenses reported to law enforcement year over year. It does not account for population fluctuation.

Reported Part I Offenses Crime Rate 2018-2023						
Offense	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Population Estimate	29,384	29,102	29,058	28,712	28,393	28,243
Murder	1	0	1	2	2	1
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	48	31	36	30	35	45
Robbery	28	20	28	38	28	21
Aggravated Assault	151	149	190	167	174	168
Burglary	192	203	239	233	204	179
Larceny/Theft	602	622	572	548	582	558
MV Theft	24	39	43	43	64	44
Total	1,046	1,064	1,109	1,061	1,089	1,016
Part I Crime Rate	35.60	36.56	38.17	36.95	38.35	35.97

Crime Rate

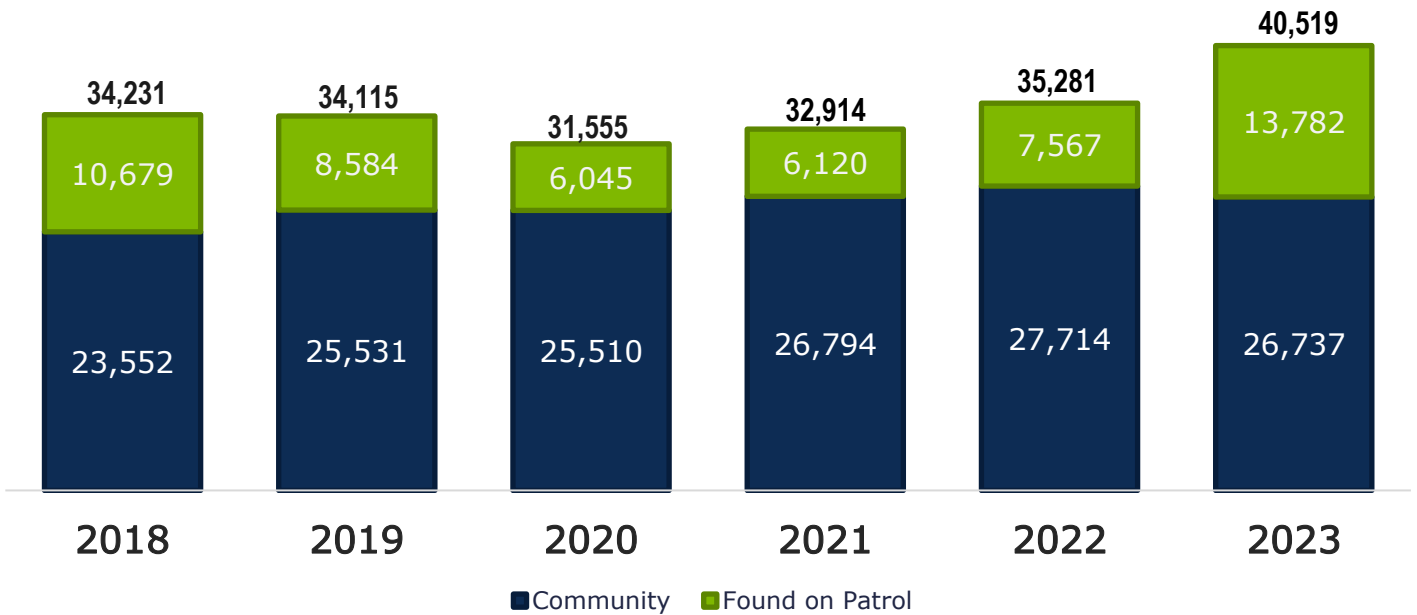
Compares the incidence of offenses in relation to the total reporting agency population. It is defined here as the number of offenses per 1,000 population.

5-Year Comparison of IBR Tally Part 1 & 2 Offenses and Arrests

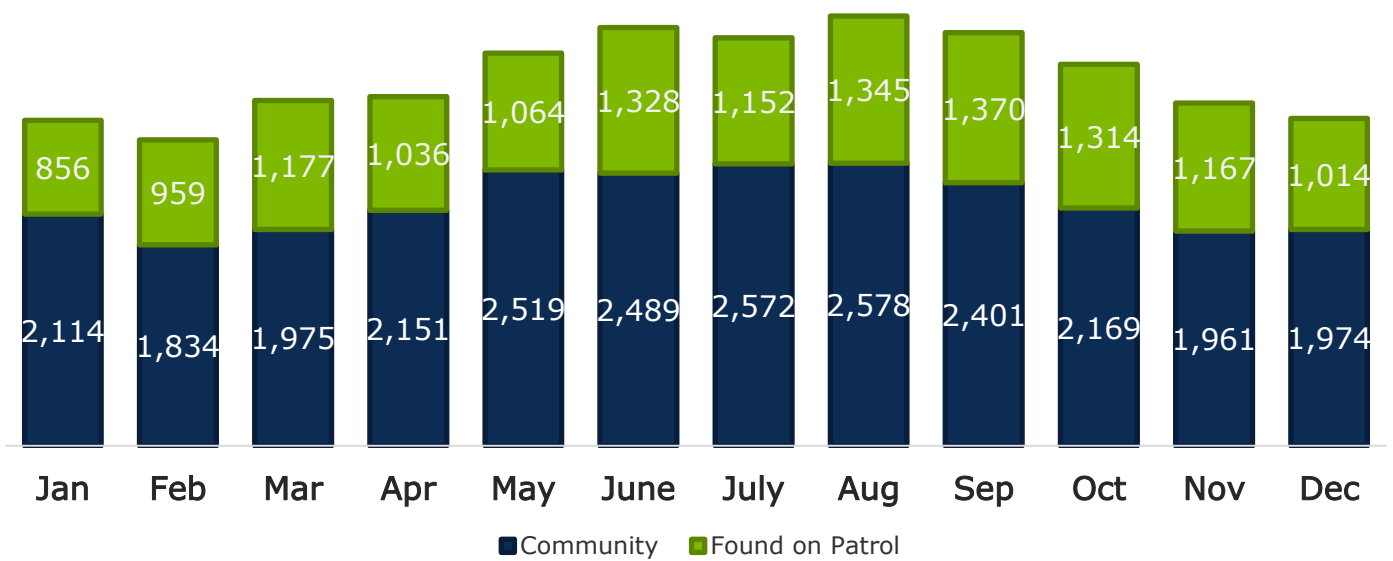
	Offenses				Arrests			
	5YR AVG	2022	2023	%Change 5-YR AVG - 2023	5YR AVG	2022	2023	%Change 5-YR AVG - 2023
Part I Offenses								
Murder	1	2	1	-16.7%	1	0	0	-100.0%
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0		0	0	0	
Rape	36	35	45	25.0%	4	4	6	42.9%
Robbery	28	28	21	-26.1%	17	21	13	-21.7%
Aggravated Assault	166	174	168	1.1%	108	122	92	-14.7%
Burglary	214	204	179	-16.4%	58	59	64	10.0%
Larceny	585	582	558	-4.6%	154	177	150	-2.7%
Motor Vehicle Theft	43	64	44	3.3%	11	15	11	-3.5%
Part I Total	1074	1089	1016	-5.4%	353	398	336	-4.8%
Part II Offenses								
Arson	7	4	8	8.1%	3	3	2	-41.2%
Kidnappings	62	42	45	-27.9%	55	33	32	-42.0%
Controlled Substance Sale	4	14	13	261.1%	1	0	0	-100.0%
Controlled Substance Possession	303	299	393	29.9%	344	389	422	22.7%
Dangerous Weapons	22	33	28	27.3%	24	42	31	27.0%
Bribery	0	0	0	-100.0%	0	0	0	
Sex Offenses	45	52	52	16.1%	11	14	7	-34.0%
Extortion	0	0	0		0	0	0	
Forgery & Counterfeiting	18	7	18	1.1%	7	4	10	47.1%
Prostitution	0	0	0		0	0	0	
Patronizing Prostitutes	0	0	0		0	0	0	
Stolen Property Possession	36	43	34	-5.6%	34	47	45	31.6%
Coercion	1	2	0	-100.0%	1	1	0	-100.0%
Criminal Mischief	445	474	531	19.2%	207	214	198	-4.2%
Fraud	78	49	37	-52.6%	40	18	9	-77.6%
Gambling	0	0	0		0	0	0	
Offenses Against Public Order	0	0	0	-100.0%	2	0	0	-100.0%
Embezzlement	5	17	36	592.3%	3	8	21	650.0%
Simple Assault	763	804	859	12.5%	470	520	463	-1.6%
Offenses Against Family	13	16	23	71.6%	10	13	24	150.0%
Driving Under Influence	103	78	85	-17.8%	100	78	68	-31.7%
Unauthorized Use of Vehicle	5	7	8	53.8%	2	4	3	66.7%
Possession of Burglary Tools	1	1	0	-100.0%	1	1	0	-100.0%
Liquor Law Violations	1	0	0	-100.0%	0	0	0	-100.0%
Disorderly Conduct	11	5	6	-45.5%	13	5	8	-39.4%
Public Intoxication	0	0	4		0	0	3	
Loitering	0	0	0	-100.0%	0	0	0	-100.0%
All Other Offenses	389	369	581	49.2%	311	336	373	20.0%
Part II Total	2314	2316	2761	19.3%	1638	1730	1719	4.9%
Part I & II Total	3388	3405	3777	11.5%	1991	2128	2055	3.2%

Incidents

COMPARISON OF INCIDENTS PER YEAR



INCIDENTS BY MONTH IN 2023



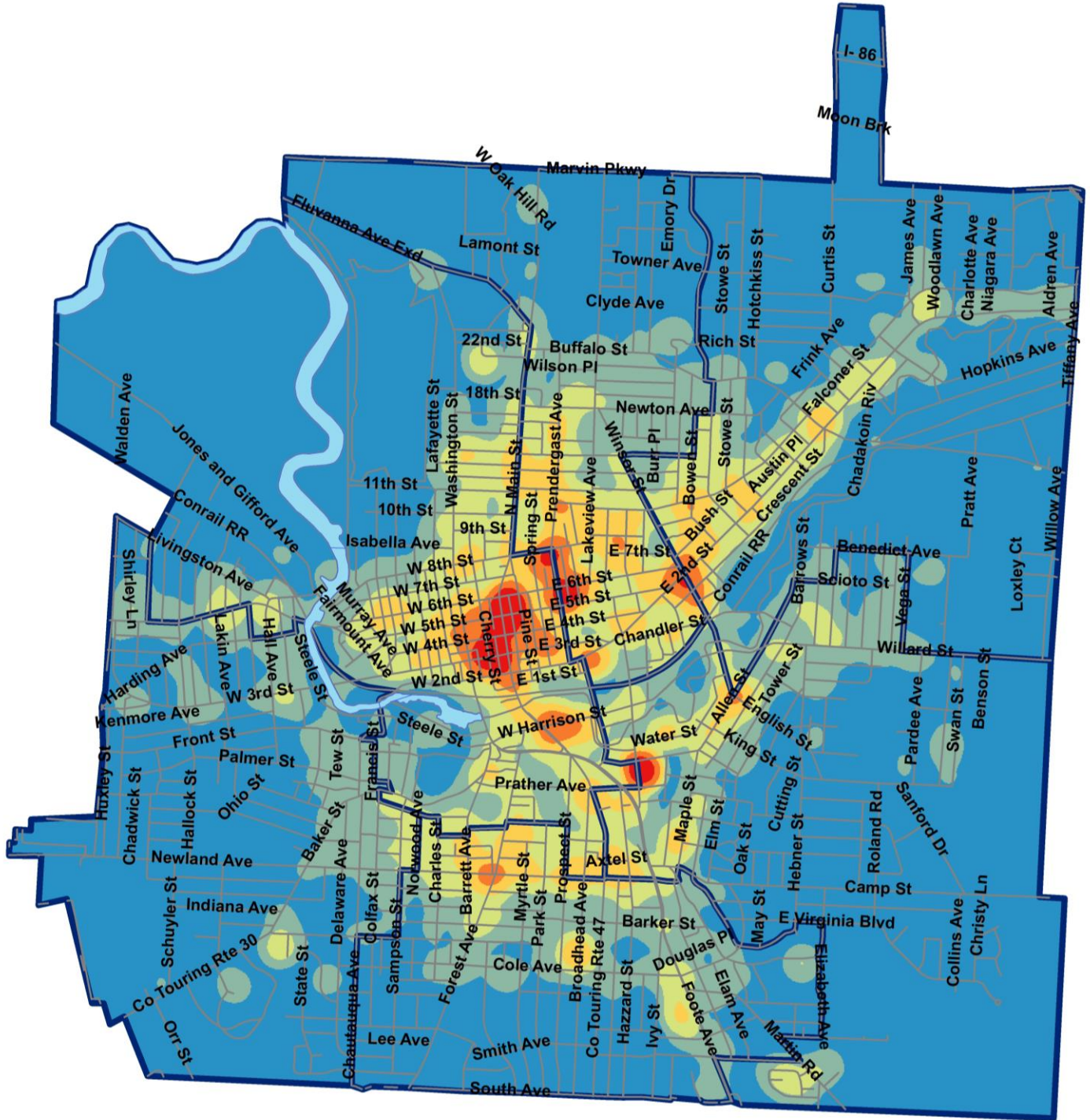
TOP TEN CALLS FOR SERVICE FROM THE COMMUNITY



BUSIEST TIME OF DAY/DAY OF WEEK FOR CALLS FOR SERVICE

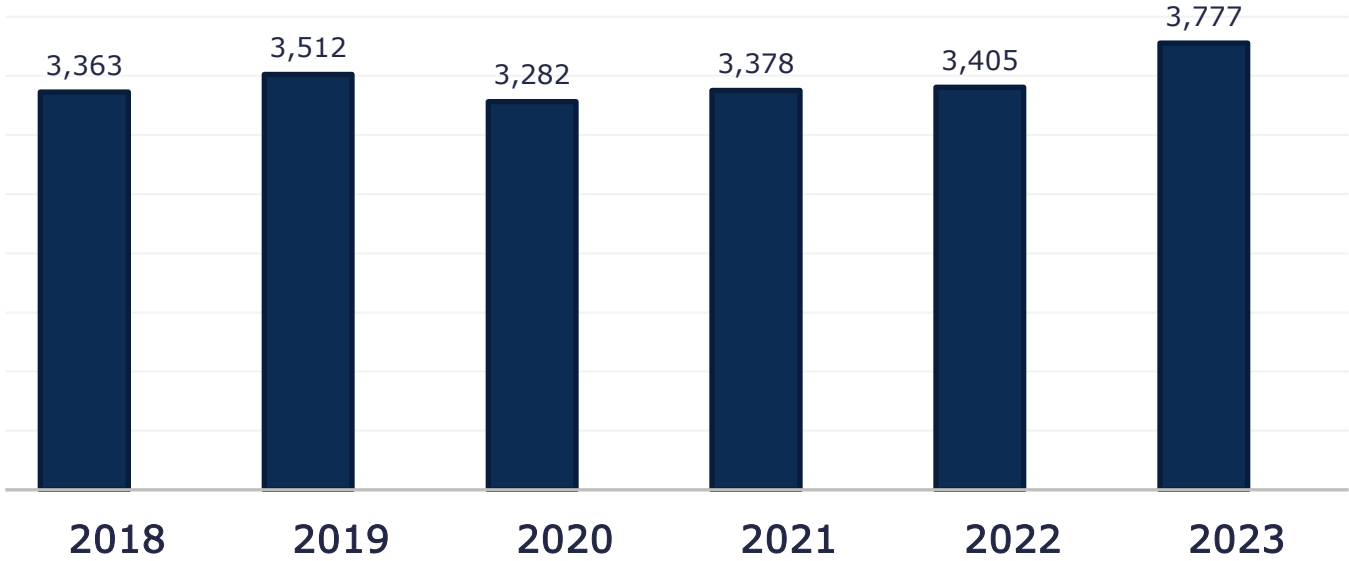
Hour	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Total
0	240	220	207	232	259	264	251	1,673
1	204	182	198	205	208	234	231	1,462
2	172	146	138	150	179	170	190	1,145
3	117	78	105	113	91	102	108	714
4	194	193	210	205	203	180	206	1,391
5	99	100	113	115	97	119	109	752
6	163	158	166	166	164	158	160	1,135
7	124	160	174	180	188	201	128	1,155
8	145	285	268	269	288	243	186	1,684
9	189	262	244	263	252	240	207	1,657
10	196	316	270	285	301	319	276	1,963
11	218	259	268	313	306	309	266	1,939
12	254	291	312	305	301	323	264	2,050
13	210	288	304	283	295	310	241	1,931
14	182	242	263	231	268	277	206	1,669
15	250	331	333	373	383	382	263	2,315
16	270	312	346	391	407	387	267	2,380
17	281	285	353	350	359	366	247	2,241
18	250	251	352	280	314	354	223	2,024
19	259	231	314	312	328	344	275	2,063
20	254	243	302	320	311	362	284	2,076
21	224	251	280	335	336	327	312	2,065
22	159	153	203	240	219	259	213	1,446
23	173	191	204	252	278	272	219	1,589
Total	4,827	5,428	5,927	6,168	6,335	6,502	5,332	40,519

2023 Incidents in Jamestown, NY Density Map

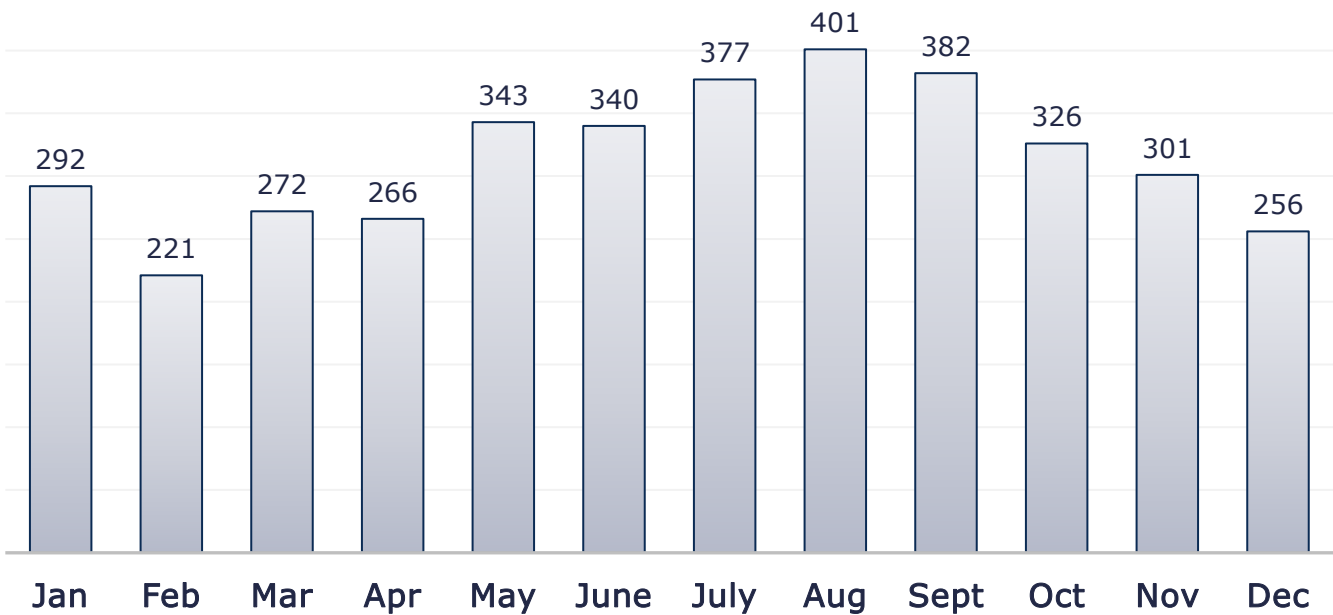


Incident Based Reporting Part I and 2 Offenses in 2023

COMPARISON OF IBR OFFENSES PER YEAR

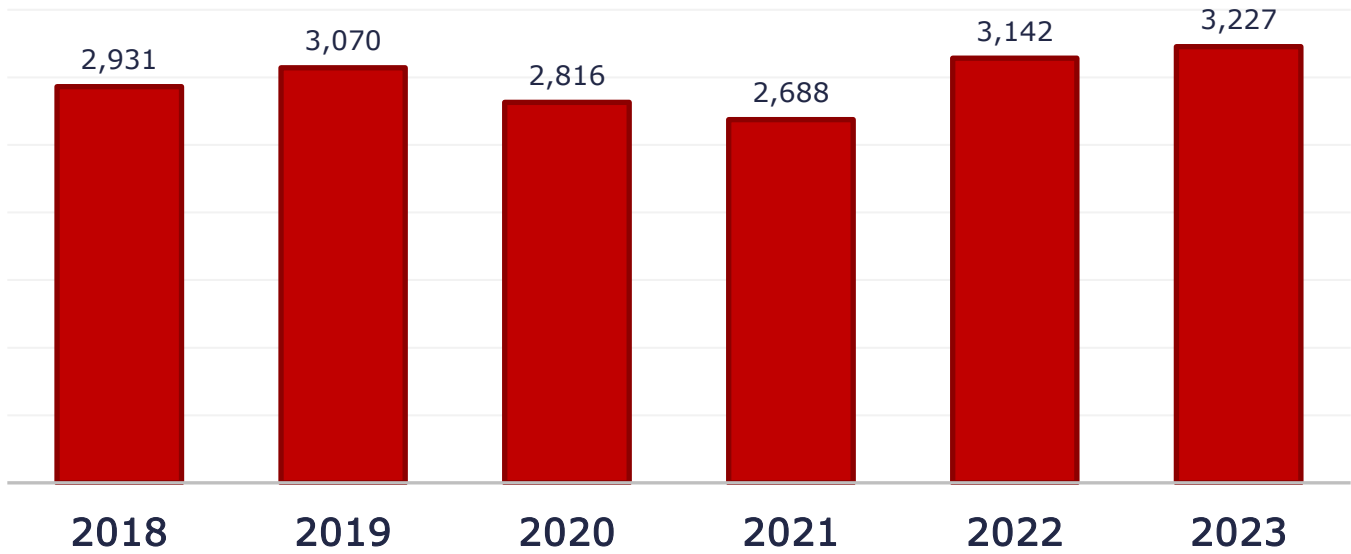


IBR OFFENSES BY MONTH IN 2023

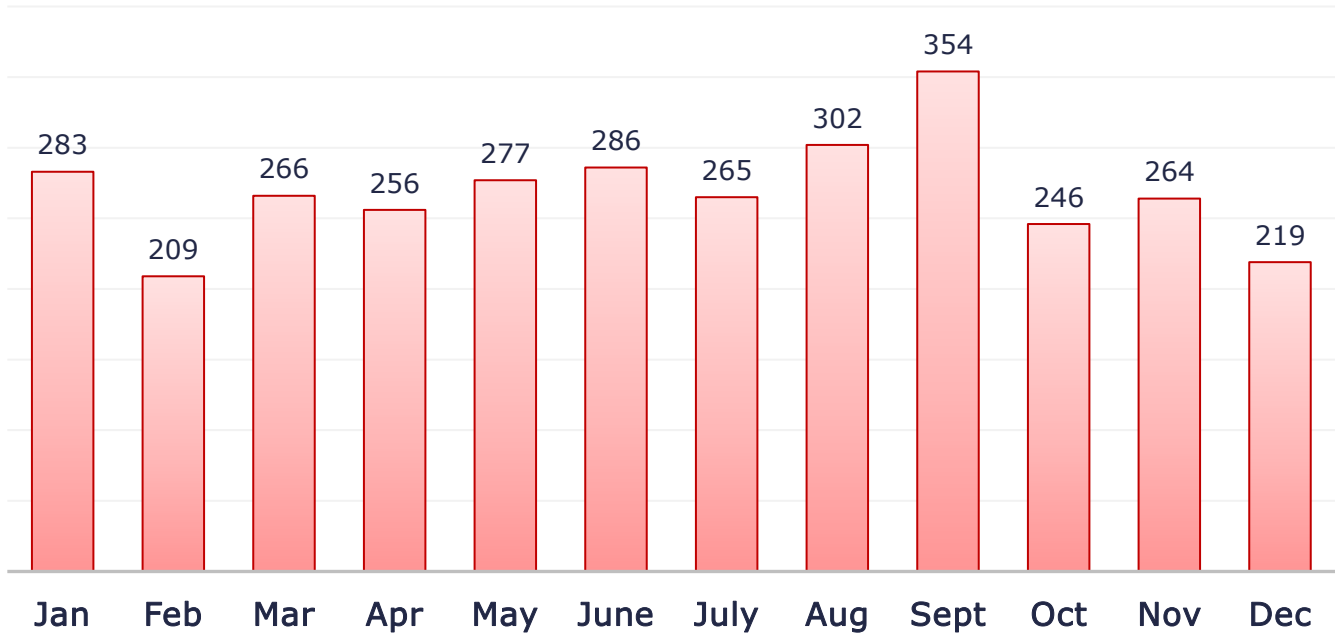


Incident Based Reporting Arrests in 2023

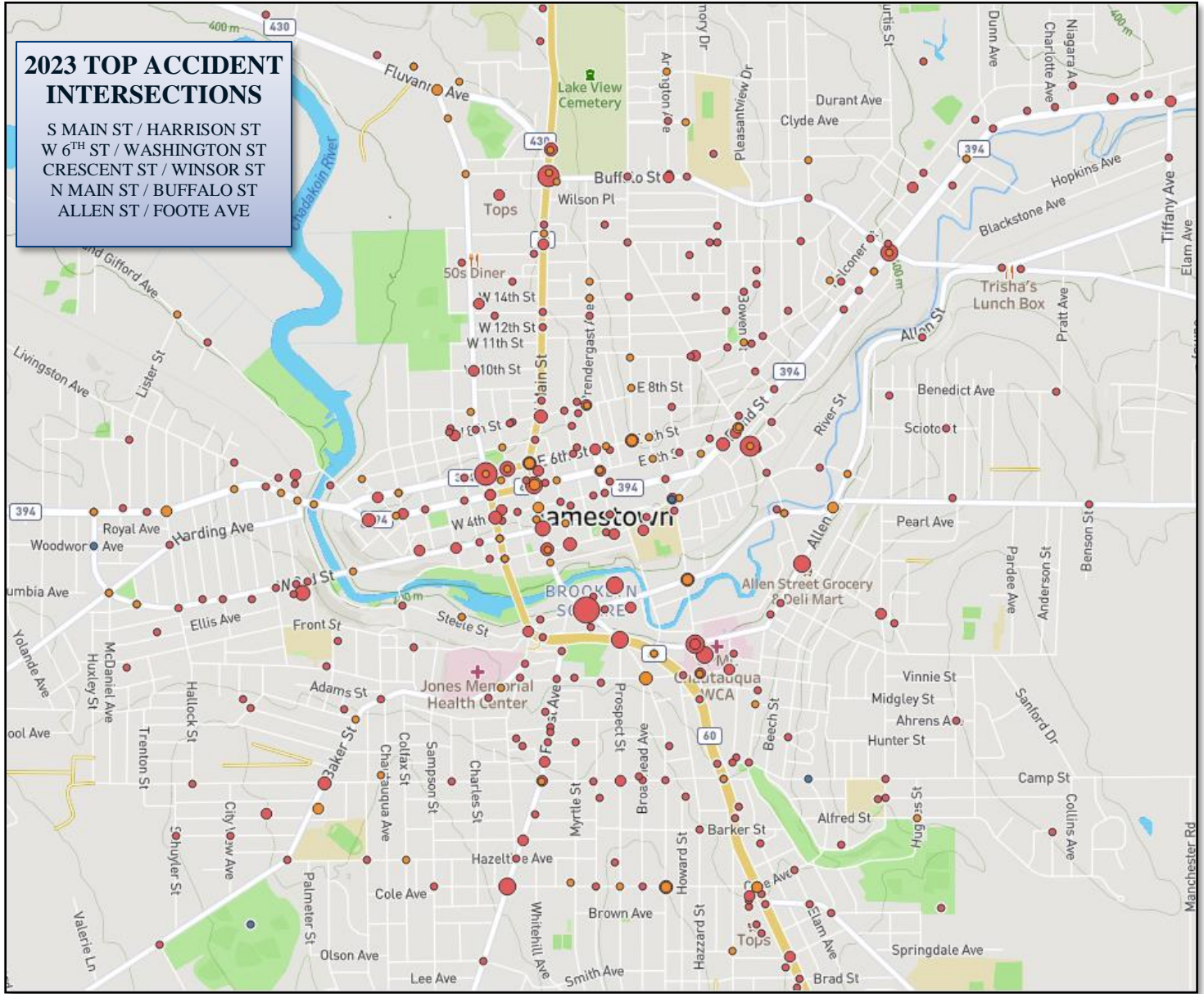
COMPARISON OF IBR ARRESTS PER YEAR



IBR ARRESTS BY MONTH IN 2023



Accident Locations in 2023



2023 TOP ACCIDENT INTERSECTIONS
 S MAIN ST / HARRISON ST
 W 6TH ST / WASHINGTON ST
 CRESCENT ST / WINSOR ST
 N MAIN ST / BUFFALO ST
 ALLEN ST / FOOTE AVE

- Personal Injury
- Property Damage

747

TOTAL ACCIDENTS REQUIRING ACCIDENT REPORTS

- 616 Property Damage Only
- 131 Personal Injury

23

ACCIDENTS INVOLVING PEDESTRIANS REQUIRING ACCIDENT REPORT

- 18 Injured
- 0 Death

13

2023 MV ACCIDENTS IN SCHOOL ZONES BETWEEN 7AM & 4PM MON – FRI FROM JAN-JUN and SEPT-DEC WITHIN 50M OF SCHOOL ZONE

- 3 – Jamestown High School
- 1 – Persell Middle School
- 2 – Washington Middle School
- 2 – Ring Elementary School
- 5 – Love Elementary School
- 0 – Fletcher Elementary School
- 0 – Jefferson Middle School
- 0 – Lincoln Elementary School
- 0 – Bush Elementary School

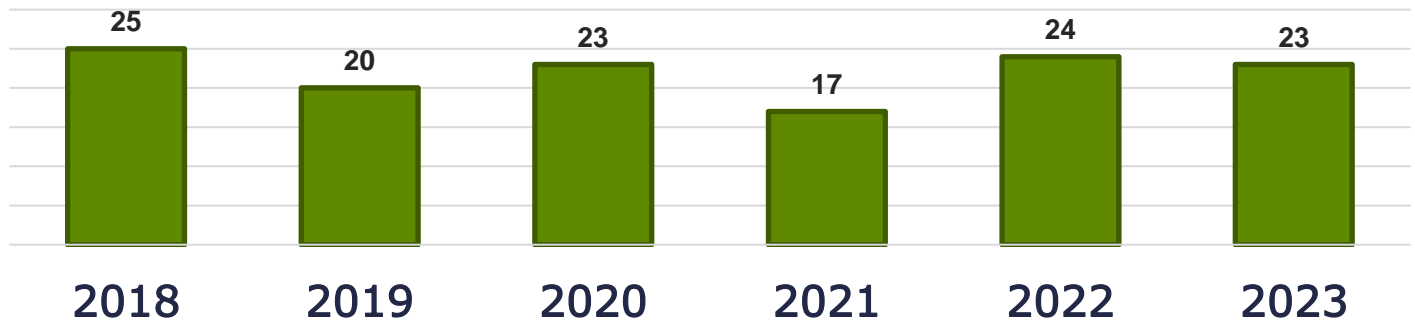
5,506

VEHICLE STOPS BY JPD OFFICERS IN 2023

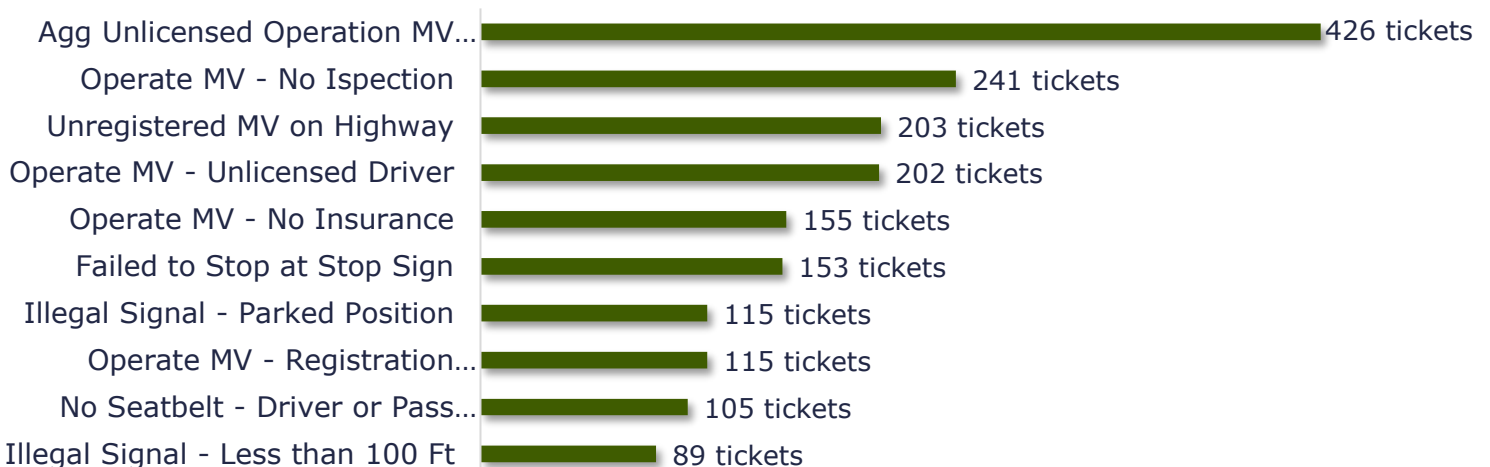
3,363

TICKETS ISSUED BY JPD OFFICERS IN 2023

COMPARISON OF VEHICLE/PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS BY YEAR



TOP TEN TICKETS ISSUED IN 2023



OPERATIONS DIVISION

The Operations Division is responsible for providing direct police services to the public. The members of the Operations Division are committed to our citizens through the:

- protection of life and property,
- protection of the constitutional guarantees of all people,
- reduction of opportunities for the commission of crime,
- resolution of conflict,
- identification of criminal offenders and criminal activity,
- apprehension of offenders, and
- coordination of the efforts of the Jamestown Police Department with other police agencies.

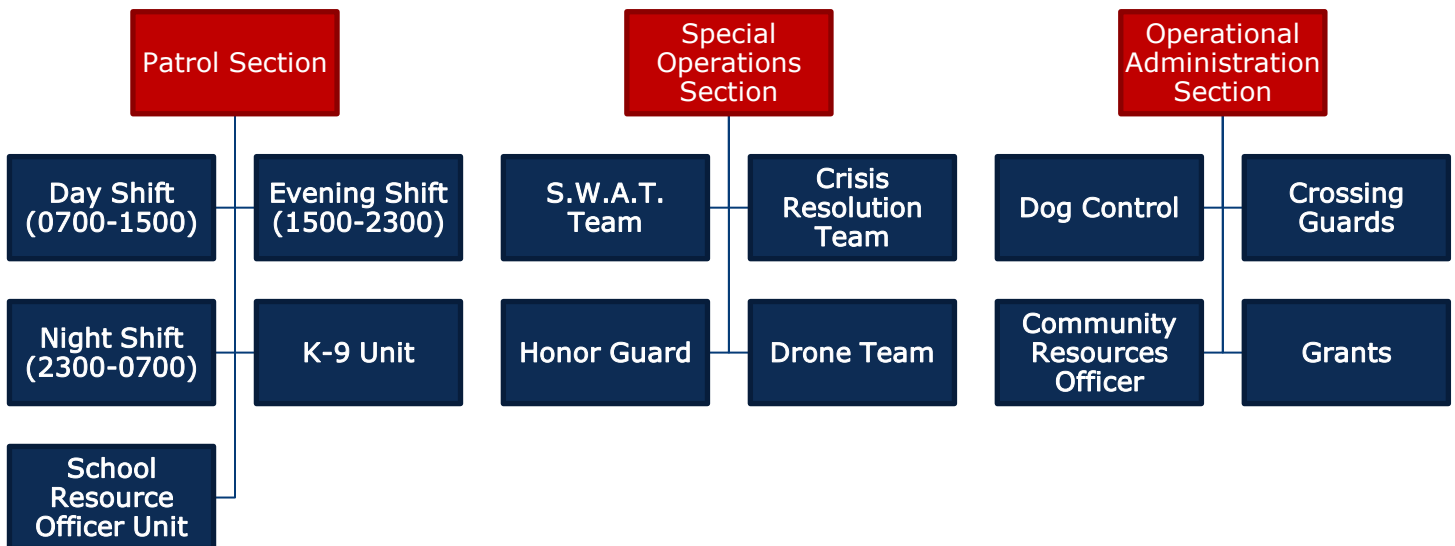


Captain Scott Forster

The Jamestown Police Department is committed to working with the citizens of Jamestown to create a relationship between the community and its police department to not only reach, but to set new goals to achieve to reach a common objective.

Captain Scott Forster commands the division. There are 48 sworn police officers, a dog control officer, and five crossing guards assigned to the Operations Division. These officers represent the front line of the department and in most circumstances have the initial contact with the community. Members of the operations division continue to stay vigilant and proactive in the patrol duties on a daily basis. They also offer themselves to be more accessible to the community and have a direct relationship with community members to build trust, which assists in the reporting and investigative efforts of these officers.

The City of Jamestown is the largest municipality in the county and continues to experience over half of the violent crime that is committed countywide. The Operations Division encompasses the Patrol Section, the Special Operations Section, and the Operational Administration Section. Captain Forster is also responsible for coordinating the agency’s commitment to New York State Division of Criminal Justice Service’s grant funded programs.



Patrol Section

The Patrol Section consists of three platoons of uniformed officers who staff three shifts each day. In each platoon, a lieutenant serves as the platoon commander. The lieutenant has overall responsibility for the administrative and daily supervision of platoon activities. Each platoon is divided into three squads with three or four officers assigned to each. In addition, three sergeants are assigned to every platoon as supervisors.

The Patrol Section is responsible for proactive patrols, responding to calls for service, initial and follow up investigations, traffic and parking enforcement, community relations, neighborhood awareness and reaction to neighborhood problems.

Additionally, the Patrol Section provides a communications officer for each shift. Usually a sergeant, the communications officer is responsible for operating the Command Center at the Jamestown Police Department. This position is responsible for monitoring and assisting the Dispatch Center, operating E-Justice and computer systems, and assisting the public at the station.

The Patrol Section also operates the City Jail. Patrol officers and patrol command staff are responsible for the control, incarceration, safekeeping, and humane treatment of prisoners in custody, in addition to booking and related processing of prisoners in custody, assisting the Court Security Unit with persons they arrest, and coordinating transportation of prisoners to the County Jail.

The Jamestown Police Department has a Community Resource Officer. The position is filled by PO Matthew Rhinehart and has been created to enhance communication and involvement between the Police Department and the Community.

The Jamestown Police Department also employs two School Resource Officers. One is assigned to the Jamestown High School and the other rotates between the elementary and middle schools. These positions are filled by PO Jeremy Maggio (JHS) and PO Alexis Carlson (rotating).

3	3	7
Platoons	Lieutenants	Sergeants
62	2	2
Patrol Officers	K-9 Officers	School Resource Officers
1	1	2
DWI Officer	Nuisance Officer	Violence Interdiction Officers

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

402	2,577
Community Service Details	Beat Walking Assignments

NUISANCE OFFICER

42	46
Loud Music in Residence or Vehicle	Loud Exhaust

VIOLENCE INTERDICTION OFFICERS

393	168	65
Traffic Tickets	In Progress Arrests	Warrants Served

PATROL K-9 Kal

Officer "Kal" started his career at JPD in 2020 with Officer Erik Kraft.



PATROL K-9 Grimm

Officer "Grimm" began his service with JPD as Officer Latimer's partner in 2022.



Special Operations Section

The Jamestown Police Department maintains four special teams that are staffed by officers as an “additional duty”.

Special Weapons and Tactics Team (S.W.A.T.)

The Jamestown Police Department Special Weapons and Tactics Team (S.W.A.T.) is a volunteer group of specially trained personnel assigned specialized weapons, supplemental safety equipment and other specialized devices to overcome prolonged life-threatening situations, such as: barricaded subject situations, hostage situations, anti-sniper incidents, drug interdictions, high-risk warrant service, and security for visiting dignitaries. The team was commanded by Lt. Rob Ward, followed by Lt. Adam McKinley. In 2024, the team completed 33 missions and participated in 13 separate trainings, totaling 104 hours.



2023 JPD SWAT TEAM ACTIVITY

31	1	1
SEARCH WARRANTS	BARRICADED SUBJECT	SUBJECT SEARCH

Crisis Response Team (CRT)

The Jamestown Police Department Crisis Resolution Team (CRT) is an eight-member team that is specially trained and equipped in the management of crises, such as: hostage incidents, barricaded subjects, or suicidal subjects. The purpose of the team is to bring crises to a peaceful conclusion using negotiations –thereby minimizing the potential for injury to citizens and officers.

Negotiators are state certified, have completed the F.B.I. Crisis Negotiations School, and train on a regular basis jointly with Jamestown Police Department S.W.A.T., New York State Police, and numerous other western New York law enforcement agencies.

The Jamestown Police Department Crisis Resolution Team is under the command of Sgt. Kyle Mann and includes Lt. Matthew Bentley, Det. Craig Damon, Det. Kyle Sorenson, Det. Matthew Rhinehart, PO José Moya, PO Kristopher Gustafson, PO Kaitlyn Johanson, and PO Jakki Ahlbin.

1	32
2023 CRT CALL-OUT	2023 TRAINING HOURS



Honor Guard

The Honor Guard is utilized on an as needed basis, primarily for parades, funerals, and special events. The Honor Guard is led by Lt. Samuel Piazza. Honor Guard members include: Capt. Scott Forster, Lt. Adam McKinley, Lt. Matt Bentley, Sgt. Doug Weaver, PO Justin Conti, Det. Courtney Schauman, PO Zach Sandberg, Det. Matt Rhinehart, PO Chris Draudt, PO Kris Gustafson, and PO Jake Swan.

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DETAILS



Drone Team

The Drone Team is comprised of officers possessing a Department of Transportation UAS Remote Pilot Certification and is utilized in area searches, event surveillance and in assisting special unit functions.

Drone Team members include Det. Rex Goot, Det. Matt Kachermeyer, Det. Kyle Sorenson, Sgt. Kyle Mann, and PO John Conti.

2023 DRONE TEAM ACTIVITY

10

FLIGHT
MISSIONS

63.5

FLIGHT
MISSION
HOURS



Operational Administration Section

GRANTS

POLICE TRAFFIC SERVICES GRANT:

The Police Traffic Services Grant is awarded annually and provides funding to support seatbelt and occupant restraint enforcement during specified statewide “enforcement waves” and expanded enforcement efforts directed by our department. Pro-active patrols also target aggressive driving, speeding, distracted drivers, cellular phone, and other dangerous driving behaviors. In the 2022-2023 grant, our agency was awarded \$8,000.

OPERATION SAFE STOP:

Operation Safe Stop is a statewide enforcement initiative that is not funded by any grant. Our agency and the Jamestown Public School District participate in this program annually in the Spring of each year. The goal of the initiative is to ensure motorists are not passing stopped school busses and cite motorists who violate this law.

GUN INVOLVED VIOLENCE ELIMINATION INITIATIVE:

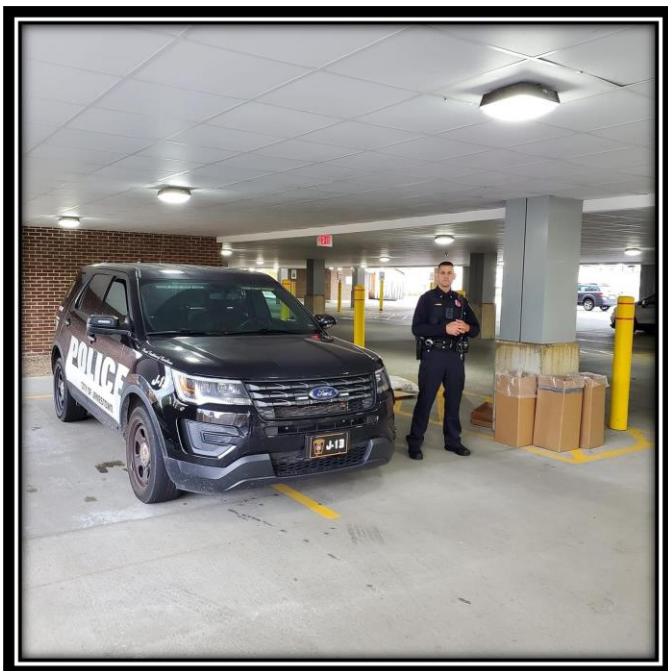
In 2014, New York launched a new effort called the GIVE (Gun Involved Violence Elimination) Initiative. GIVE builds on the success of Operation IMPACT, but focuses exclusively on shootings, homicides, and violent crime. The focus of G.I.V.E. for Jamestown is on violent crime. In 2023, the Jamestown Police Department received a grant of \$261,199 to fund G.I.V.E. initiatives, including funding for a crime analyst. GIVE initiatives work to reduce incidents of shootings, aggravated assaults, and violent crime by promoting integrated, evidence-based strategies that include four core elements:

- People – GIVE jurisdictions will target the key individuals and groups, also known as the “top offenders,” responsible for most gun violence.
- Places – GIVE jurisdictions will target the key locations, or “hot spots,” where most violence is occurring.
- Alignment – GIVE jurisdictions will align their efforts and coordinate strategies with other local violence-prevention efforts.
- Engagement – GIVE jurisdictions will engage key stakeholders and the community at large, communicating and coordinating with them to ensure wide-ranging support.

The Chautauqua County G.I.V.E. partnership increases the number of patrols that are conducted jointly with agencies such as the NY State Police, NY State Parole, County Probation, and the City of Jamestown Department of Development (D.O.D.). Officers from these agencies work with JPD Officers to patrol targeted locations, conduct inspectional visits of parolees and probationers, and address emerging crime trends. Numerous high-profile arrests have resulted from the program, as well as an increased ability for the department to identify and track criminals to assist in deploying resources more effectively.

CERTIFICATION

The Jamestown Police Department SWAT Team became a certified SWAT Team in 2021. This makes them one of only twenty-seven currently certified SWAT Teams in New York State.



INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION



Captain Robert Samuelson

Captain Robert F. Samuelson is the commander of the Investigative Division. This Division is responsible for providing ancillary services to support department functions.

These services include management of department resources, management of the investigative section and non-sworn support staff. The Investigative Division is divided into two sections: the Investigative Section and the Administrative Section.

Investigative Section

Lieutenant Gregory J. Wozneak is the Investigative Section Commander, who is responsible for coordinating and leading criminal investigations within the unit. The Investigative Section has ten detectives and one patrol officer assigned to specialized units within the section. Although there are specialized units, the Investigative Section prides itself on working as a team to ensure that all crimes are fully investigated.

Detective Unit

- This unit has three detectives assigned. Their primary function is to conduct investigative follow-ups of major crimes and incidents after the patrol officers complete preliminary investigations.

Juvenile Unit

- The two detectives assigned to the Juvenile Unit investigate crimes involving victims and suspects who are 17 years of age or less, as well as felony assaults and sexual assaults where the victim is under 18 years of age. These detectives work closely with Child Protection, Social Services, Probation and Family Court.

Jamestown Metro Drug Task Force

- Three detectives are assigned to this unit. These investigators conduct drug investigations reported in the city. The detectives also assist the Investigative Section in investigations requiring surveillance and shared confidential informants. The actions of these investigators have a direct impact on the narcotics trade and crimes stemming from it.

Evidence and Property Management Unit

- Two detectives perform crime scene processing, which includes photography, evidence collection, finger printing and proper storage of forensic evidence. In addition, these detectives are evidence technicians, maintaining all collected evidence and ensuring it is properly forwarded to a lab for examination and or analysis, in addition to securing body camera evidence.

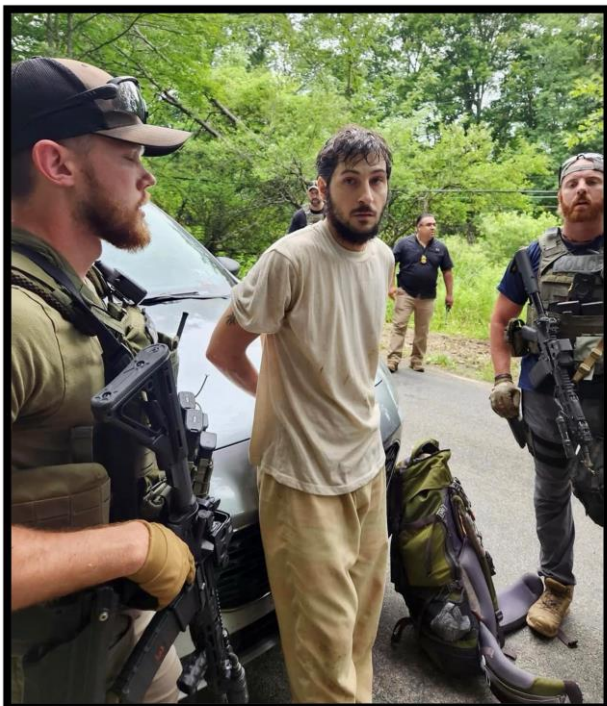
Domestic Violence Intervention Unit

- One patrol officer and one civilian employee, who is employed by Family Services, staff this unit. The unit is responsible for facilitating the Chautauqua County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault by assisting and providing follow-up to victims of domestic violence.

2023 MAJOR CASES

Michael Burham

In the early morning hours of May 11th, 2023, officers responded to an address on Williams St. for a suspicious death. Officers found 34-year-old Kala Hodgkin deceased in the residence due to a gunshot wound. The investigation revealed that Michael C. Burham, of Ashville, NY was a person of interest in the homicide of Ms. Hodgkin as well as an arson of a motor vehicle belonging to another of Burham’s acquaintances. Media outlets and law enforcement throughout the area and surrounding states were advised that Burham was wanted for questioning in the death of Ms. Hodgkin. In the following days, it was reported that Burham had forced a couple at gunpoint in the Warren, PA area to drive him to South Carolina. The TV show “*On Patrol Live*” broadcast the incident nationwide. On May 24th, 2023, after a lengthy manhunt, Burham was captured in a wooded area in Berkeley County, South Carolina. He was eventually returned to Warren County Pennsylvania Prison to face several charges in Pennsylvania.



On July 6th, 2023 while being held in the Warren County Pennsylvania Prison, Burham escaped from the roof of the prison using tied together bed sheets. On July 15th, 2023, due to tips provided to law enforcement in Pennsylvania, Burham was captured again on Jackson Run Road in Conewango Township. At the time of this writing, Burham is being held in the Erie County Prison in Pennsylvania.

Arson – 231 Barrows Street

On July 6, 2023, at 1:06 am, the Jamestown Fire Department and Jamestown Police Department responded to a fully involved structure fire at 231 Barrows Street in Jamestown, NY. The home was destroyed in the fire. Fire and Police investigators determined that the cause of the fire was arson and was intentionally set. Further investigation by detectives from the Jamestown Police Department resulted in a Chautauqua County Grand Jury handing down indictments for Joshua D. Whalen, 34, for Arson 3rd and Burglary 3rd.



2023 INVESTIGATIVE UNIT CASE STATISTICS

1,123 CASES ASSIGNED

855 CASES THAT MAY BE REOPENED AS NEW EVIDENCE IS IDENTIFIED

183 CASES CLOSED BY ARRESTS OR WARRANTS ISSUED

85 CASES REMAIN OPEN OR INVESTIGATION PENDING

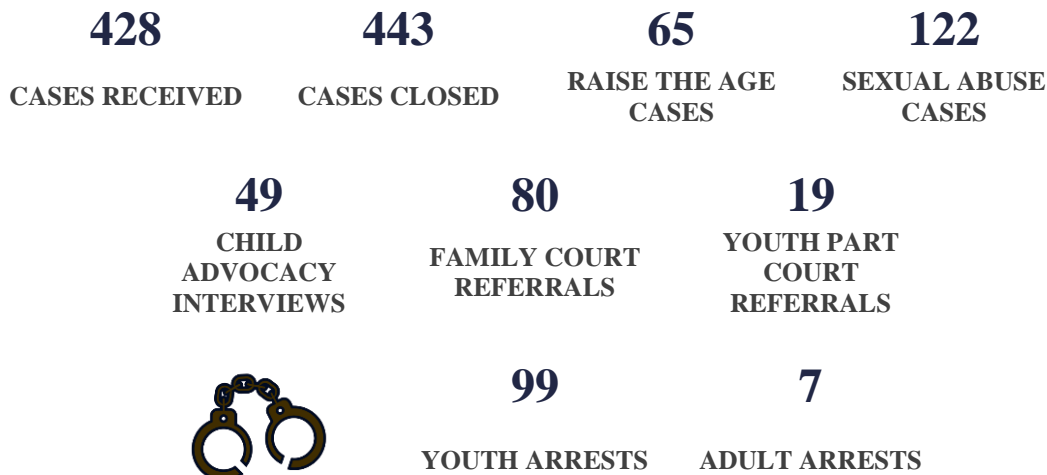
TOP TYPES OF CASES ASSIGNED TO DETECTIVE UNIT



Juvenile Unit

The Jamestown Police Department Juvenile Unit consists of two full-time specially trained detectives. Their specialized training includes the forensic interviewing of children, as well as suspect, victim and witness interviewing and statement taking. The detectives are responsible for the sensitive and lengthy investigations involving child sexual abuse, rape and crimes involving children under the age of 18. The juvenile unit handles crimes committed by both juvenile and adult suspects.

The juvenile unit uses a multidisciplinary team approach as an effective way to coordinate and conduct investigations. The team approach includes federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies, child protective services (CPS), The Child Advocacy Program (CAP), probation, family court, mental health agencies, regional health care providers, local school systems and other social service agencies. The team is a collaboration that strives towards an effective, prompt, and unified response to crimes committed against children.



JAMESTOWN METRO DRUG TASK FORCE (JMDTF)

The Jamestown Metro Drug Task Force (JMDTF) took over as the primary unit to investigate drug investigations in the City of Jamestown in 2012. In 2014, the Ellicott Police Department joined in the effort to address narcotic issues in the greater Jamestown area.

The JMDTF investigates narcotics cases assigned to them, conducts surveillance, and works with confidential

informants. They also participate in the investigation of most major crimes in the City of Jamestown.

Jamestown PD K-9 Unit, Jamestown PD SWAT and other local, state, and federal partners, often assists the JMDTF. The JMDTF has recently been collaborating with the Chautauqua County Sheriff's Office, in an effort to expand narcotics investigations affecting our community.

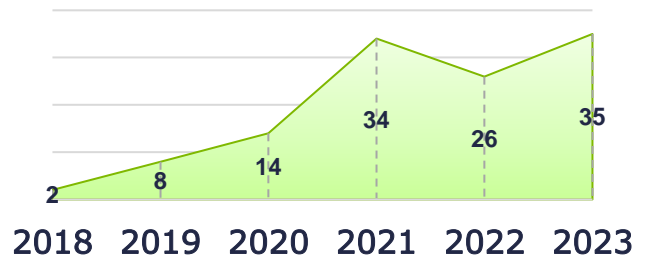
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Cocaine (gm)	4,207	1,176	594	1,566	1,024	2,144
Crack (gm)	24	29	149	59	736	167
Heroin (gm)	4	94	84	326	11	0
Fentanyl (gm)	6	161	308	857	5,552	9,384
Meth (gm)	2,155	1,948	1,790	4,003	4,191	1,871
Suboxone Strips	0	101	99	7	151	67
LSD (units)	1	0	1	17	35	0
Mushrooms/Psilocybin (gm)	34	30	0	226	5	86
GUNS	61	41	17	55	41	33

**Statistics use 0.1 grams as an approximation for the weight of any bags of heroin or fentanyl seized

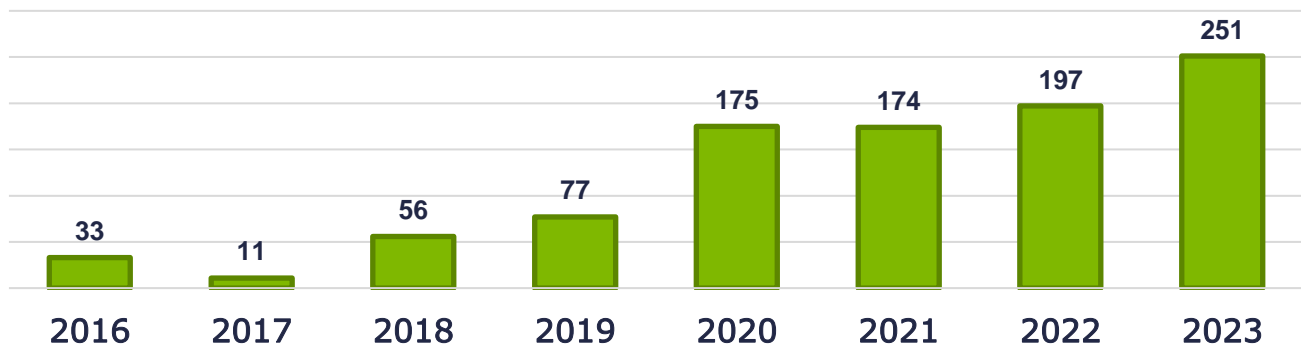
FENTANYL (GM) SEIZURES



SUSPECTED DRUG OVERDOSE DEATHS KNOWN TO JPD



OVERDOSE INCIDENTS RESPONDED TO BY JPD



JMDTF MAJOR CASES

****We note in all applicable investigations, arrests, and indictments identified, the fact that a defendant has been charged with a crime is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.****

January 30, 2023

Detectives searched 144 Park Street Lower Apartment and located two individuals inside along with approximately 11 grams of fentanyl and a large amount of packaging materials. Detectives also searched 116 Park Street Upper Apartment and located two individuals, Karielys Reyes, 22, of Jamestown, and a two-year-old child. Detectives also located approximately 505 grams of cocaine and a quantity of US Currency. At the same time, members of the Jamestown Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle on Foote Avenue in the area of the Jamestown High School. Because of the traffic stop, Jamere L. Maisonet, 21, of Jamestown – who was also listed on the search warrant – was taken into custody.



August 23, 2023

A four-month, multi-agency investigation into the trafficking and distribution of methamphetamine in Southern Chautauqua County has led to the arrest of Darin L. Butts Jr. On August 23, 2023, members of the Chautauqua County Narcotics Unit, Jamestown Metro Drug Task Force, Ellicott Police Department, Dunkirk Police Department and the DEA executed a search warrant at 19 E. Duquesne Street in the Village of Celeron without incident. Because of the search, approximately two pounds of crystal methamphetamine, scale, packaging and a large amount of U.S. Currency was seized. Darin Butts was taken into custody and will be held at the Chautauqua County Jail until he is arraigned on federal charges in the Western District of New York Court in Buffalo NY.

March 23, 2023

A narcotics investigation led to the execution of a search warrant at 215 W. 5th St. The JPD SWAT Team made entry into the residence, locating Jordan B. Dandridge and an adult female inside. Detectives conducted a search and located 37.6 grams of cocaine, packaging materials, scales, cash, and a loaded .45 caliber pistol that was previously reported stolen out of the City of Jamestown. Just prior to the execution of the warrant, Deion J. Carr left the residence, walking away from it. He was stopped by the Chautauqua County Sheriff's Office K-9 and gave the name of James Jefferson, lying about who he was. He was later identified and charged with Criminal Impersonation 2nd as well as some warrants.



October 11, 2023

JMDTF, CCSO narcotics investigators, and DEA executed a search warrant at 15 Myers St. in Jamestown. There was one child located inside the home. A search of the residence revealed 2 pistols, .45 caliber ammunition, a quantity of 74.1 grams of powder cocaine, 13.1 grams of fentanyl, 12.3 grams of crack cocaine, 81.7 grams of psilocybin mushrooms, 2,908 grams of marihuana, scales, packaging materials, and several thousand dollars in U.S. currency. Ameir A. Glover was taken into custody after he left the residence and a traffic stop was conducted on the vehicle that he was operating. Glover was later arraigned in the Western District of New York – United States District Court on his charges.



September 22, 2023

JMDTF, CCSO narcotics investigators and Chautauqua County District Attorney investigators executed a search warrant at 35 Arden Pkwy. after a several months long investigation into the sales of methamphetamine from the residence. A search of the residence revealed over 220 grams of methamphetamine, scales, packaging materials, and cash. As a result, Lisa M Tibbetts was placed under arrest for CPCS 2nd (A-II Felony), CPCS 3rd, and criminally using drug paraphernalia 2nd.



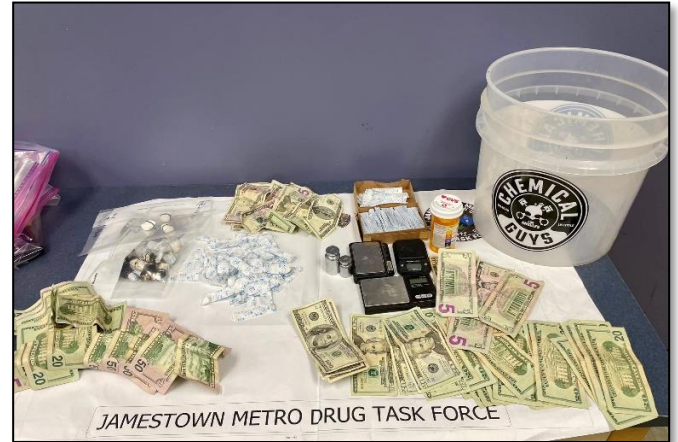
October 12, 2023

Jamestown Police assisted New York State Parole with a home visit at the residence of Samuel L. Arrington on King Street. While conducting a search, parole officers located a shotgun, white powdery substance and ammunition. JMDTF members were summoned to the scene and subsequently applied for a search warrant for the residence. A search revealed a loaded .357 caliber revolver, 12 GA shotgun, ammunition for both guns, a quantity of 107.9 grams of powder cocaine, 119.8 grams of fentanyl, scales, and \$2,301.00 in U.S. Currency. Arrington was charged with Endangering the Welfare of a Child, CPW 2nd, CPCS 2nd (A-II Felony), CPCS 3rd, Criminally Using

Drug Paraphernalia, and CPW 3rd. Desire Williams was charged with Endangering the welfare of a child due to the fact that there was a young child present and was in close proximity to the illegally possessed drugs.



Santiago, Hiram Calderon-Donato, and Edward Martinez-Pagan were charged with CPCS 1st (A-I Felony), CPCS 3rd (intent to sell), CPCS 7th, tampering with physical evidence, Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia, Assault 2nd (Injuring a police officer), and Endangering the Welfare of a Child.



November 8, 2023

A search warrant was executed at 36 Van Buren St. after a several months long investigation into trafficking of narcotics from the residence. While members of the JMDTF and CCSO were clearing the residence, the occupants were scrambling around the apartment, attempting to destroy and hide evidence. During that time, a large quantity of fentanyl went airborne, exposing the detectives. During the commotion, the occupants were attempting to burn evidence, dumped a large quantity of fentanyl inside of a bucket of water and threw some of it out of a window. After searching the residence, detectives located 19.1 pounds of a fentanyl/water compound, 296 baggies of fentanyl, 58 Clonazepam pills, scales, packaging materials, and \$1,531.00 in cash. As a result Santos Santiago, Anabell

December 13, 2023

A search warrant was executed at 143 English St. During the search, JMDTF and CCSO located 105.3 grams of cocaine, scales, packaging materials, and \$2,267.00 in cash. Tami Martinez was arraigned on two counts CPCS 3rd, Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia 2nd, and Endangering the Welfare of a Child. At the same time that the search warrant was being executed, investigators from the JPD and CCSO were conducting surveillance on Omar Marrero, and wanted by Federal Probation. When Marrero exited the residence, the investigators took Marrero into custody on the warrant. A search of his person revealed 28.5 grams of cocaine and \$686.00 in cash. Marrero held on his outstanding warrant as well as two counts of CPCS 3rd.

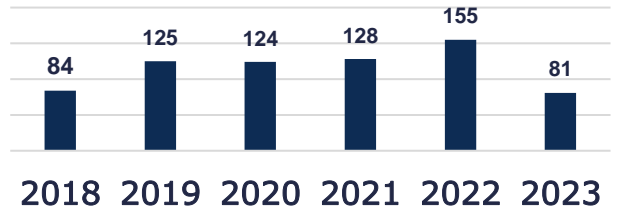
The Jamestown Police Department is looking for anyone who may have information on these cases, in addition to tips about criminal activity, guns, and narcotics activity. All calls and tips are kept strictly confidential.

Anonymous Tip Line – 716-483-8477

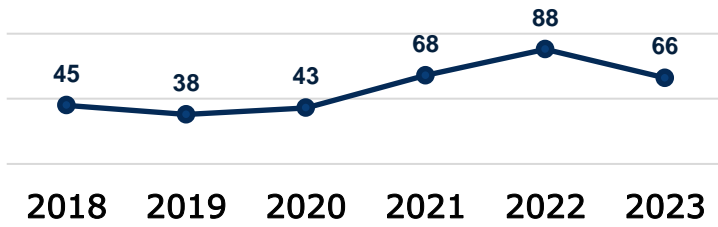
FIREARM INVOLVED OFFENSES IN 2023

YEAR	Confirmed Shootings	Total Shootings Involving Injuries or Death	#Victims Injured	#Victims Killed
2023	15	5	4	1
2022	24	8	8	2
2021	19	3	2	2
2020	14	4	4	0
2019	11	3	3	0
2018	Data Unavailable	3	3	1
2017		3	3	0
2016		7	7	3

Gunshot Complaint Calls for Service



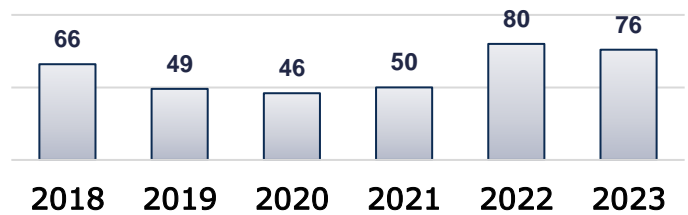
Cases Involving Reports of Firearms



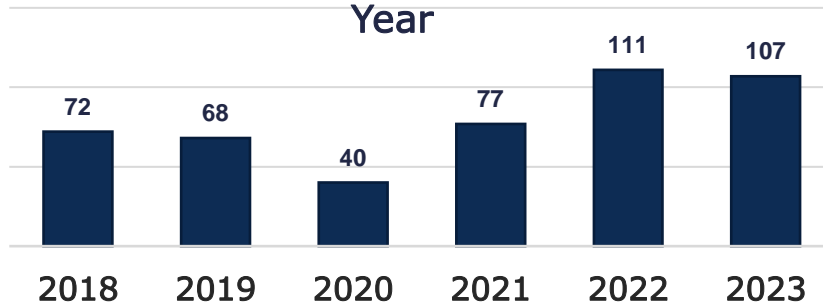
In 2023, cases involving reports of firearms have **decreased 25%** compared to 2022 and **increased +17.8%** compared to the 5-YR 2018-2022 average of **56 cases**.

In 2023, seizures of firearms by JPD remained consistent with 2022 levels and **increased +31%** compared to the 5-yr average 58 firearms.

Firearms Seized as Evidence

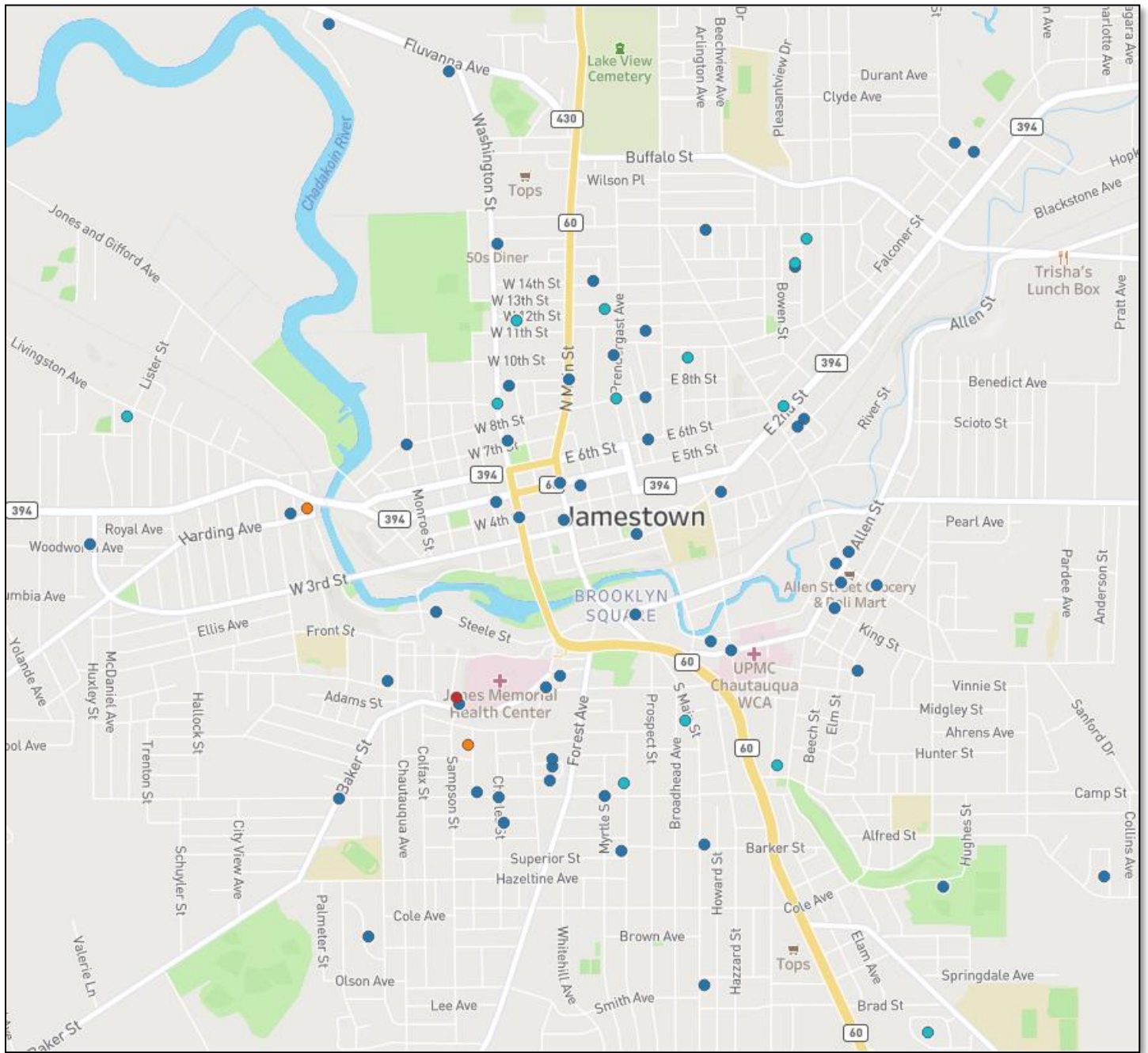


IBR520 Weapons Law Offenses per Year



In 2023, weapons law offenses remained consistent with 2022 and **increased 46.5%** compared to the 5-yr 2018-2022 average of **73 offenses**.

2023 MAP OF CASES INVOLVING REPORTS OF FIREARMS



- Death - Shooting
- Injury - Shooting
- Confirmed Shooting
- Firearm Involved Offense

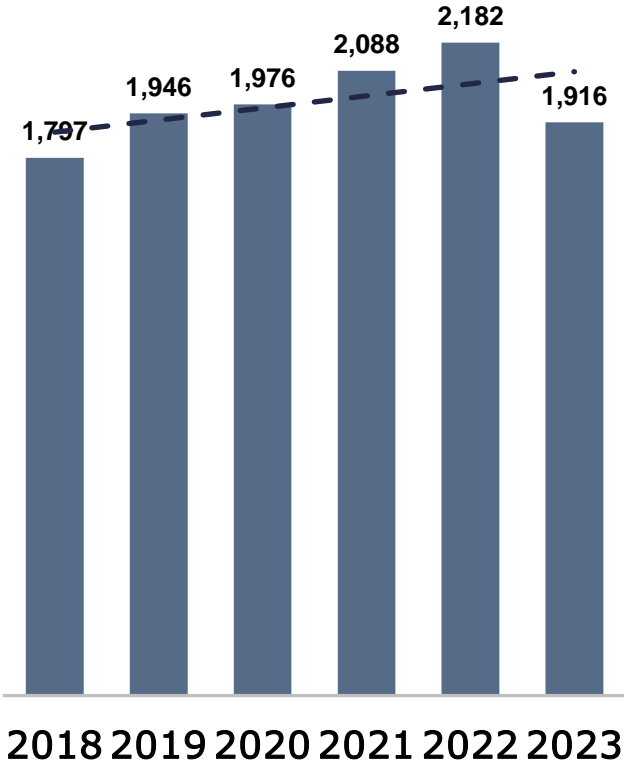
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION UNIT

1,365	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INCIDENT REPORTS BY JPD
406	ON-SITE ARRESTS MADE
333	WARRANT APPLICATIONS FOR ARREST
1,075	VICTIMS SERVED BY DVIU STAFF
3,265	REFERRALS GIVEN
98%	CONTACT RATE OF VICTIM FOLLOW-UP
100%	VICTIMS WERE SATISFIED WITH THE OFFICER(S) RESPONSE
100%	VICTIMS HAD NO SUGGESTIONS ON HOW JPD COULD BETTER ASSIST VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

In 2023, the Domestic Violence Intervention Unit (DVIU) received 1,365 Domestic Violence Incident Reports that were taken by Jamestown Police Department officers. Through Project Crossroads, the DVIU staff served 1,075 victims and provided over 3,265 referrals through the victim and domestic violence court follow-up programs, unsolicited phone calls, and office visits. Project Crossroads also completed 18 presentations and in-service events on domestic violence.

The Domestic Violence Intervention Unit (DVIU) is responsible for facilitating the Chautauqua County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. This coalition implements a coordinated community response system to the epidemic of domestic violence while enhancing efficient delivery of services to victims. Through the coalition, staff have developed and implemented community awareness initiatives and events throughout Chautauqua County.

Domestic Incident Calls for Service



Domestic incident calls for service have **decreased** – **4.0% in 2023** compared to the 5-YR 2018-2023 average of 1,997 incidents per year.

COMFORT K-9 HOPE

“Hope” started her career in January 2021 with Officer Emma Ward and completed 52 K-9 details in 2023.



Administrative Section

Records Management is staffed by three full-time civilian employees, who are responsible for the repository of all department arrests record reports, case history reports, vehicle and traffic tickets and auto accident reports; and the release of these records to the public.

One full-time receptionist is tasked with answering non-emergency phone calls, as well as waiting on people who enter the lobby of the department. Their complaints are entered into the computer, and assigned to police officers. This employee also assists the Records Department with assorted clerical duties.

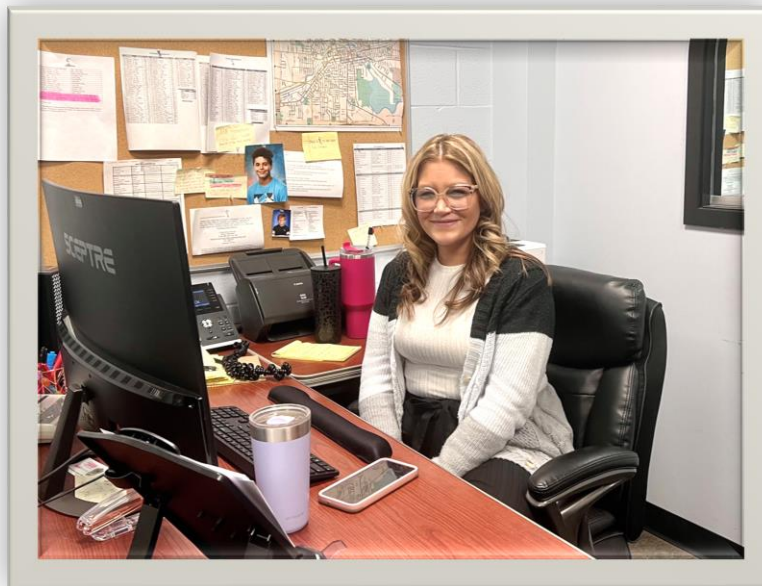
Information technology duties are performed by one-full-time civilian employee who is responsible for performing certain computer programming services; entering, reviewing and monitoring the quality of information in the department's computer database; and coordinating officer automation services. This employee also provides technical assistance and instruction to department employees in the operation of computer and technical systems; acts as liaison with city and county data processing personnel; establishes, coordinates, and maintains schedules and inventories for the utilization of equipment in the department; and troubleshoots, analyzes problems and implements solutions to software and hardware problems. This person's duties also include coordination of software purchases and associated training; periodic analysis of department records management processing; assistance with data analysis; generation of internal and external reports relating to information technology systems and applications; as well as identification and evaluation of computer and technical systems problems.

This unit is also responsible for making periodic data backup files for the department; assisting programmers in technical aspects of interfacing computers to networks or mainframe computers; and researching and recommending new software and hardware applications for department activities.

The Investigative Section is assigned a full-time secretary. The secretary enters reports and completes data entry on warrants and maintains the files. The secretary is also responsible for tracking court appearance subpoenas sent or received, as well as maintaining the Sex Offender Registry. Additionally, the secretary ensures the proper assembly of cases for the District Attorney's Office.

Court/Building Security is staffed by four full-time and two part-time sworn court security officers who are responsible for protecting and guarding judges, non-judicial employees, jurors, parties, attorneys, witnesses, and the general public in the designated security screening equipment; collecting and securing property of persons entering court facilities; maintaining decorum in the court; and answering questions and directing the general public as necessary. These individuals are also accountable for guarding prisoners awaiting court action; maintaining order and assisting with judicial proceedings; and carrying out the directions of the court.

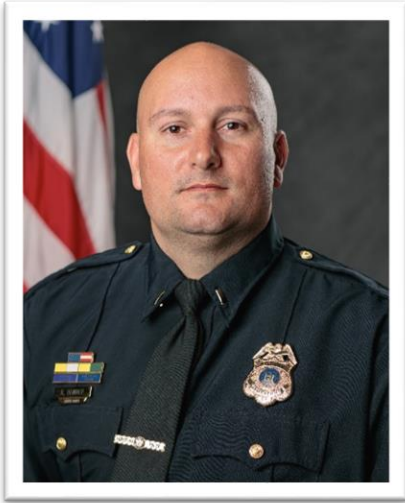
Jail Management is overseen by the Investigative Division Commander who is responsible for the administration of the City Jail; compliance with regulations pertaining to the operation of the City Jail; completion of required reports to the NYS Commission of Corrections; coordination of operational functions with the administrative functions of the City Jail; selection and training of jail matrons; and maintenance of jail records.



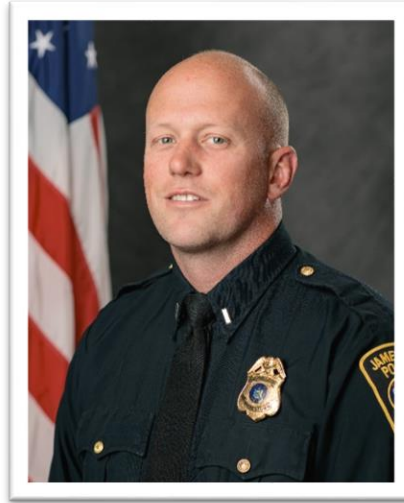
Amanda Hallett was hired in 2023 as the new JPD Receptionist.

2023 PERSONNEL CHANGES

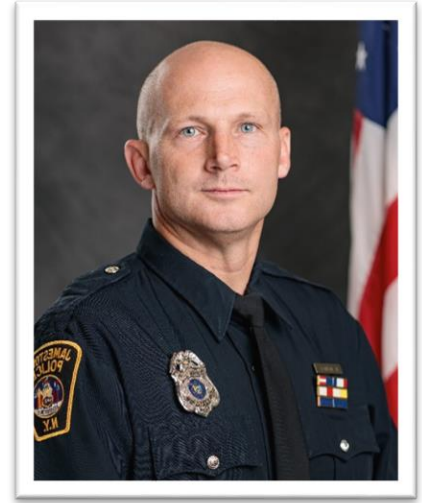
RETIREMENTS



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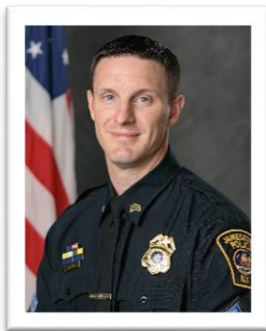


Lt. Rob Ward



Det. Jay Wadsworth

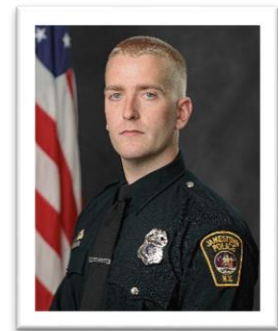
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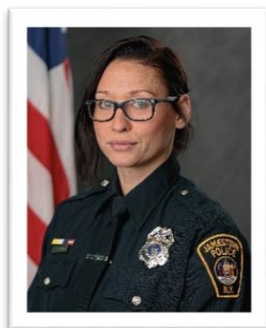
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Lt. Matthew Bentley



Det. Matt Rhinehart

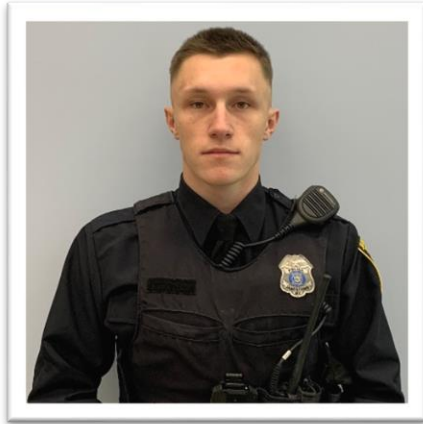


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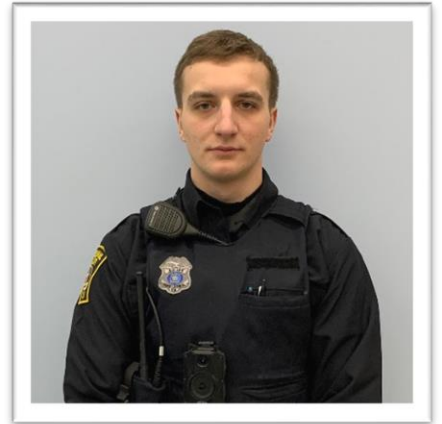
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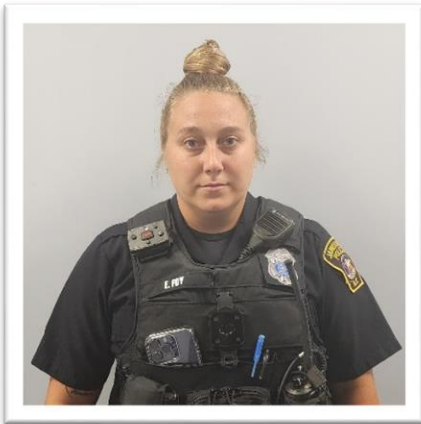
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PO Zachary Langless



PO Seth Mactavish

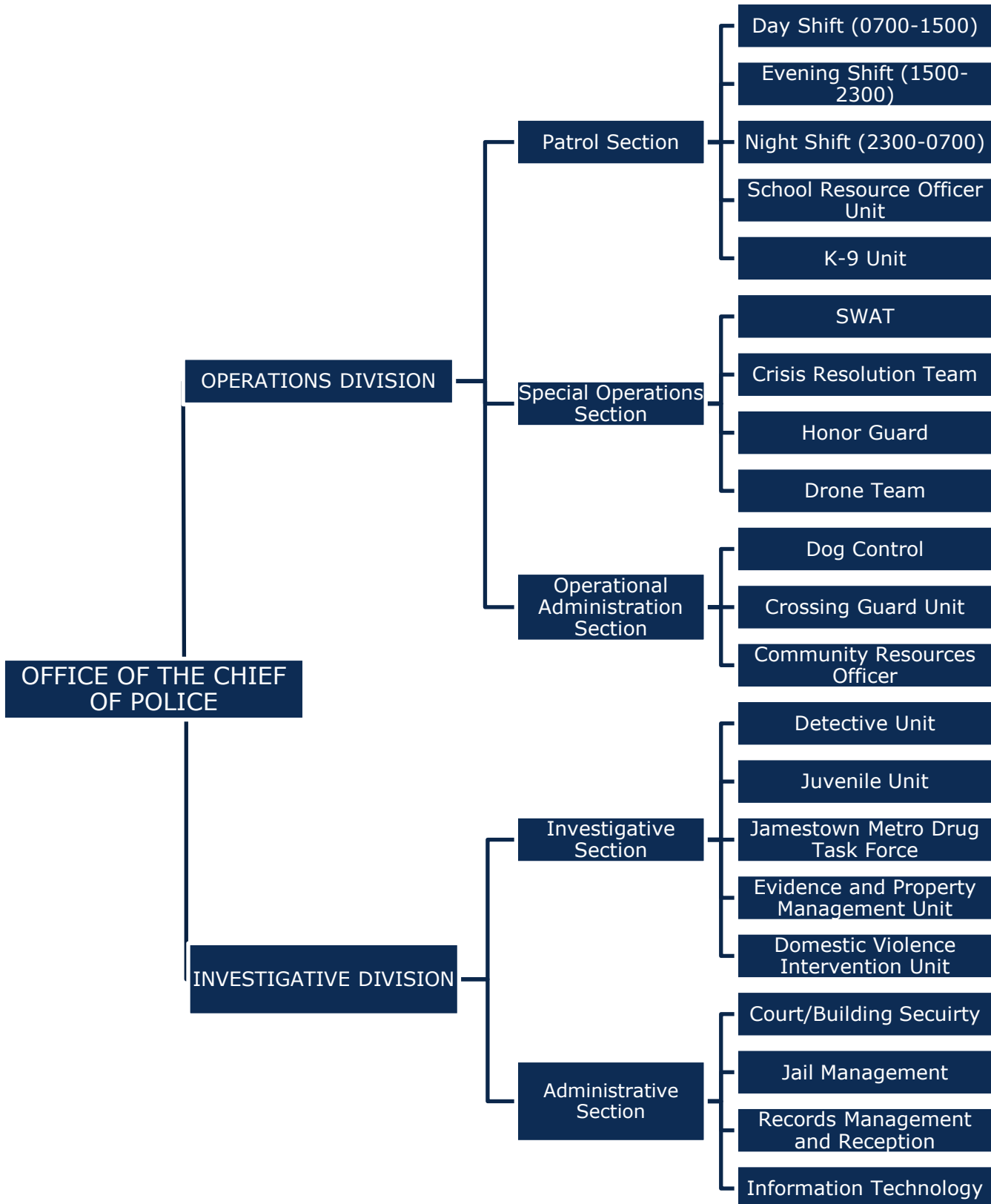


PO Emily Foy



PO Dakota Gardner

JPD ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



School Resource Officer Alexis Carlson celebrates Law Enforcement Appreciation Day with students at C.C. Ring.



PO Josh Eddy, Sgt. Josh Nickerson and PO Erik Johanson recruit a new member for the SWAT Team.



School Resource Officer Jeremy Maggio and Lieutenant Sam Piazza working bike patrol.

HOLIDAY EVENTS



Officers join local children to “Shop with a Cop”.



Hillcrest Church provides Christmas snacks to officers.



JPD toy drive to benefit Drakes Journey and the Oishei Children’s Hospital.

GEORGE KENDALL MEMORIAL



Saving a Hero’s Place donates a chair to the Jamestown Police Department in remembrance of Officer George Kendall who was killed in the line of duty in 1915.

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JAMESTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF'S MESSAGE

On behalf of every dedicated and devoted firefighter on the Jamestown Fire Department, I am pleased to present to you, this recap of events that occurred in 2023. The department is manned 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. We are here to respond to the needs of the community, no matter what your emergency may be. This report will give you various types of information, including the various duties of our firefighters and first responders, that each and every day are there for the residents of the great city of Jamestown, as well as charts and graphs that show a great deal of statistics.

If you ever find yourself in need, you can rest assured that any one of our well-trained professionals will be there to assist you in minutes. Whether it is a member that has been here 30 years or one of our newest recruits fresh out of the Academy, you will be in good hands when faced with a house fire, medical issue, or motor vehicle accident. Our firefighters went on 8083 various types of calls in 2023, each presenting different dangers and challenges.

I would ask all of you, while reading this annual report, to please remember the dangers our firefighters face daily while serving and protecting our citizens of this great city.

The Jamestown Fire Department prides itself with professionalism and dignity, and we hold each other to the highest of standards, and I look forward to leading our firefighters safely through 2024.

Thank you for your continued support!

Matthew D Coon
Deputy Fire Chief

MISSION STATEMENT

Departmental Mission:

The Jamestown Fire Department is an organization of dedicated professionals who are committed to serving the community by protecting life, property, and the environment through fire prevention, education, emergency medical, and fire suppression services.

Vision:

The members of the Jamestown Fire Department will work tirelessly to become the best trained and most progressive team of firefighters. We strive to meet NFPA Standards and internationally-recognized best practices of the fire service. The Department will excel in advancing public safety within the City of Jamestown through community outreach, fire prevention initiatives, and public education. The well-being of our city and the health and safety of our members is our motivation.

Value Statement:

As members of the Jamestown Fire Department, we will operate with the utmost respect for our community, one another, and the fire service. We recognize the privilege it is to be a Jamestown Firefighter and humbly accept the challenges and inherent dangers of the job. With honor and integrity, we will place the needs of others before our own in the faithful discharge of our sworn duties, in the proud tradition set forth by the generations of brave Jamestown Firefighters that came before us.

STATIONS

Fire Station 1 is located at Jamestown City Hall, and houses the Department's Ladder trucks, as well as the Medic 35-unit, Ambulance 1, Marine 1 which is a water rescue craft, and the heavy-duty rescue unit. All the Department's administrative offices are at Station 1.

Fire Station 3 is located at 422 Newland Avenue. Station 3 was built in 1949 and was dedicated to Firefighter Elmer R. Berry, who was killed in action in Luxembourg during World War II. It serves the south side of the City.

Fire Station 4 serves the east side of the City from its location at the corner of Allen and Buffalo Streets. Station 4 was built in 1930 and to replace the old Station 4 which was at the corner of East Second Street & Kipp Street and also replaced Station 6 at Allen Street near Tiffany Avenue.

Fire Station 5 is located at 195 Fairmount Avenue and serves the west side of the City. This historic building was part of Chief Wilson's station reorganization and relocation plan in 1911. It was built in 1913 to accommodate Engine Co. 5, which was moved from West Fifth Street to this current location. From this station, Walter H. Kastenhuber, Oscar H. Bloom, Raymond W. Allison, and Harold Anderson responded to the Atlantic-Richfield Fire on June 19, 1934. They, along with three civilians were killed as a result of this horrific fire. Many others, including Chief Clifton Beatty were injured.

Our administrative offices are located at Station One at 200 Spring Street in the City Hall Building. Our offices are open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday for non-emergency information or assistance. Included in these offices are the Fire Prevention Office and Inspection & Investigative Office. The non-emergency office number is 716-483-7598, and is available during normal business hours.

TRAINING DIVISION

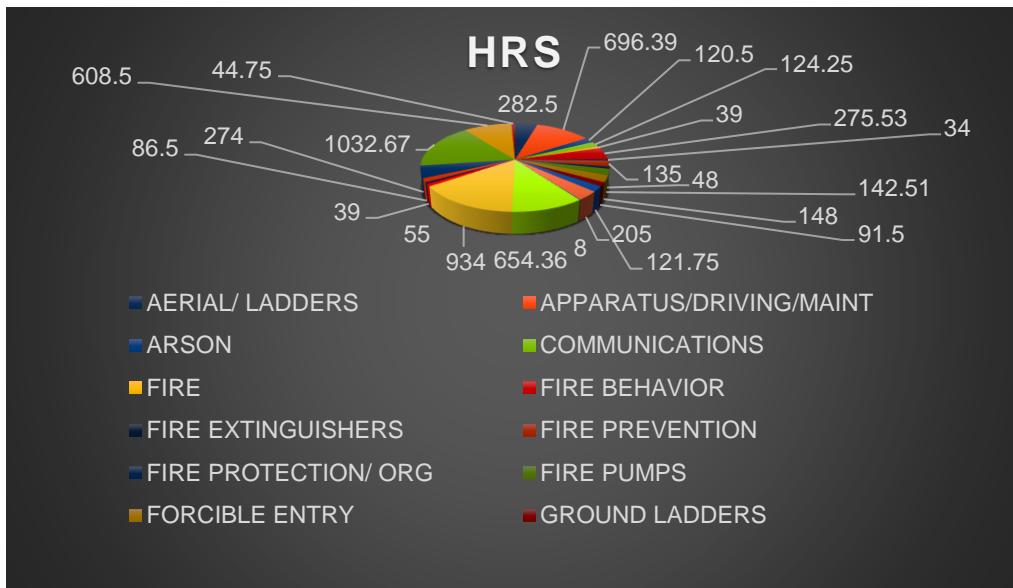
The Jamestown Fire Department’s Training Division has the duty to prepare the City’s Firefighters with the skill, knowledge, and proficiency to conduct their day-to-day operations. From Emergency Medical calls for service to structure fires, as well as Rescue Operations. Jamestown Firefighters train daily to perfect these skills.

New York State law mandates a minimum of 101 hours of in-service training per year for each professional firefighter. The members of the Jamestown Fire Department are provided this training at a company level as well as Platoon level. Most trainings are conducted in-house at the Fire Stations across the city or at the Taylor Training Facility on Harrison St in Jamestown.

There are 24 different categories of required training, the topics include: fire behavior, fire protection, personal safety, rescue, cause and origin of arson fires, sprinkler/ alarm system training and hazardous materials handling. Equipment training such as apparatus operation and maintenance, fire pumps and aerial ladders are conducted on a regular basis. First aid, CPR and medical care training is frequently scheduled.

As stated in the Department Mission Statement, our training is ever-changing due to technological advances. The members are trained to meet the requirements of new technology as well as advancements in equipment. Specialty classes are held occasionally for various types of rescues and equipment along with confined space training, hazardous materials, flammable gasses, high angle rescue, ice water rescue, and emergency vehicle operations.

In 2023, the Jamestown Fire Department recorded over 7,600 hours of training. This includes the 101 minimum standard hours for in-service training. Members also attended various training opportunities and seminars at the New York State Academy of Fire Science in Montour Falls, NY including (4) new firefighters who received 622 ½ hours of recruit training in 15 weeks.



FIRE CODE INSPECTION OFFICE

In 2023, the Office of Fire Prevention & Code Enforcement was staffed by Code Enforcement Officer Ryan Saunders, his job duties include Fire Code Inspection, Fire Investigation, Fire Prevention Education, Youth Fire-setter Intervention and SCBA maintenance for the Jamestown Fire Department.

During 2023, the Code Enforcement/Fire Prevention Bureau provided the following services:

- Conducted Fire Prevention Presentations to the public, including participation in 4 Hugely Successful Trunk or Treat Events in the city and a Whoville Christmas Event sponsored by the Chautauqua Safety Village.
- Conducted Fire Prevention On-site training & education to hundreds of City youth through Jamestown Public Schools, Randolph Academy, Hillcrest Baptist Church Daycare and Pre-K, Camp Hiak Tilikum, YMCA, and the YWCA.
- Conducted Fire Education to an aging city population through Lutheran Social Services and Silvertree Seniors
- Conducted Fire Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer Trainings.
- Conducted Fire Safety Inspections
- Identified and assisted with abating Fire Code violations
- Responded to and investigated unlicensed electrical work complaints
- Responded to various EMS calls throughout the city and provided patient care and transport to UPMC Chautauqua.
- Received Grant Funding through RAND Machine Products to purchase and provide over 200 Smoke detectors to city residents.
- Continued to partner with the Chautauqua Safety Village providing additional free smoke and CO alarms to city residents.
- Provided Smoke Alarms and Fire Prevention Training to New Vision Services and the Resource Center.
- Continued partnership with Chautauqua County Mental Health Association, supporting Hope, Advocacy, and Recovery
- Provided training to YWCA and Reg Lenna Center for the Arts staff on fire extinguisher use.
- Enforced City Charter regulations for illegal burns
- Inspection of Public Assemblies
- Provided Free Carbon Monoxide Alarms paid for by FEMA in partnership with Chautauqua Safety Village
- Investigated Electrical Problems
- Responded to general fire code questions
- Provided Career Day presentations to Hewes and LoGuidice Educational Centers in Ashville

The Fire Prevention Bureau/Code Enforcement Office is responsible for the enforcement of the New York State Uniform Prevention and Building Code, along with the City of Jamestown Building Codes. The primary goal of the Bureau is to protect the public through education and enforcement of State and City Building Codes.

2024 Goals:

Continue expanding Fire Prevention and Life Safety Services throughout the community

Provide better transparency and availability through social media platforms

Continue working with local agencies to provide the best services to the community with an attempt to not duplicate said services

Continue Expansion of Partnerships County wide by sharing resources to provide education to not only city residents, but anyone who desires it

Work with JFD Municipal Training Officer Caruso to provide improved training opportunities and additional code enforcement to the citizens of Jamestown, NY



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FIRE INVESTIGATION UNIT
~ 2023 ANNUAL REPORT ~*



The JFD Fire Investigation Team is comprised of members of the fire department and police department who have completed all NYS requirements along with National requirements making our team ProBoard certified fire investigators. The JFD Fire Investigation team continues to work in close collaboration with the Jamestown Police Department via a JPD Detective who is also a ProBoard certified Fire Investigator. The Team also has JFD/JPD Evidence Technicians who are DCJS certified in the collection and proper handling of fire scene evidence. Maintaining compliance with current NFPA 921 and 1033 requirements is of the upmost priority for all JFD Fire Investigators. These annual requirements include a minimum of 12 hours tested training as well as performance of at least 12 hours of actual field investigation in order to maintain Pro-Board and NYS certifications.

The JFD Fire Investigation Team performs fire cause and origin determinations any time a fire is reported within the City of Jamestown. These investigations are mandated by NYS laws and regulations. Often times, JFD fire investigators will work in coordination with other agencies such as Law Enforcement, Public Utilities, Private Investigators, Insurance Adjusters and Investigators, Medical Professionals, Scientists and other field experts, Building Contractors, as well as the Chautauqua County District Attorney's Office.

On the average, a fire investigator commits more than four (4) hours of time on each case. Most cases will include hands-on observation of the fire scene, interviewing people affected by the fire, consultation with other agencies, and fully document the case. Documentation includes, but is not limited to: photographic evidence of the fire, author a narrative explaining fire cause and origin determination, drawing maps and schematics of the fire scene, and researching property records, deeds, property value, insurance policies, liens, taxes, and other debts. Fire investigators may be subpoenaed to testify in both civil and criminal courts of law.

JFD fire investigators are considered expert witnesses in the area of study and practice of fire behavior and fire cause and determination. This year three members of the team completed their class (120 hours) and field time (80 hours) requirements to be NYS / ProBoad certified fire investigators. Firefighters Andy Caruso, Ryan Saunders and Emily Webster all attended training at the NYS Academy of Fire Science while completing field hours during incidents here in the city. In total, it takes about 2 years to fulfill the training and testing requirements. Also, four members attended the NYS Fire Investigators conference in Montour Falls to complete their annual training and testing requirements to maintain their certifications.

Cause of Ignition	Count	% of all fires
FATALITY	0	0%
INCENDIARY	9	7%
UNINTENTIONAL	17	26.9%
UNATTENDED	10	6.3%
FAILURE OF EQUIPMENT	8	7.89%
UNDER INVESTIGATION	5	12.6%
IMPROPERLY DISCARDED SMOKING MATERIAL	5	12.6%
CAUSE UNDETERMINED AFTER INVESTIGATION	4	15.75%
CAUSE UNDETERMINED	5	12.6%
TOTAL	63	



Danielson Oil Fire on May 11, 2023. (Photo Credits: 716 Network)



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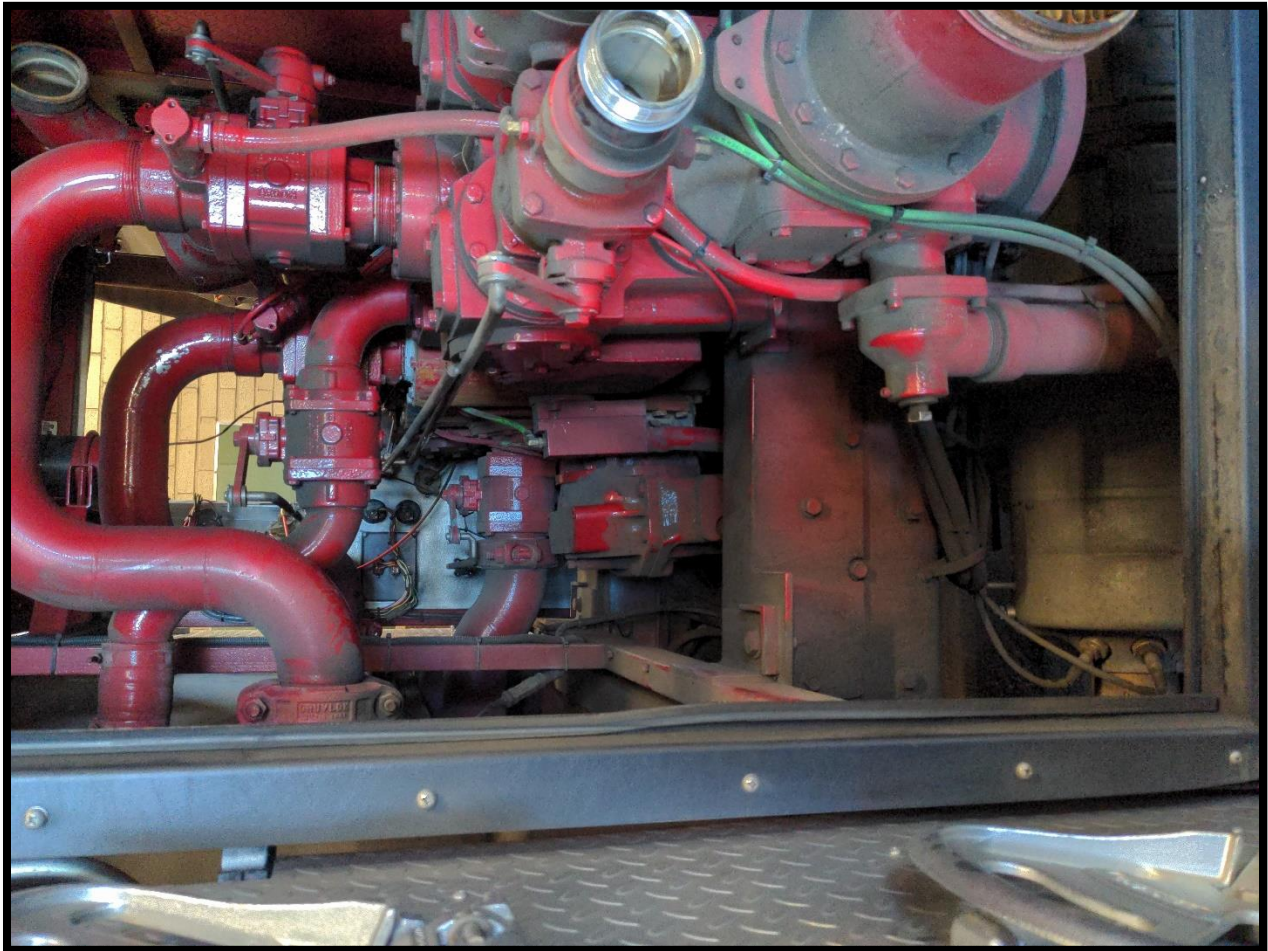
MAINTENANCE DIVISION

Fire Alarm & Maintenance Supervisor (FAMS) Dan Mangione oversees the maintenance of all the Department's vehicles and fire stations, as well as the complete Gamewell system. He is assisted on a regular basis by Firefighter/Mechanic John Volpe, and a number of other skilled Firefighters that offer their assistance in between answering fire & EMS calls. FAMS Mangione conducts the NFPA fire pump testing on the 6-fire apparatus and coordinates and oversees the required annual NFPA fire hose testing. FAMS Mangione also schedules and reviews annual aerial ladder testing of the two ladder trucks and ensures that necessary repairs are completed as recommended by the testing company if needed. When there is work that is not able to be performed in house (Fire Station), it is scheduled with the City of Jamestown Fleet Maintenance Division or an appropriate outside service.

The Gamewell system is comprised of a combination of over 125 street and Master boxes. These are distributed on 8 circuits that circle and often overlap in the city business districts and neighborhoods. These circuits contain a total of over 48 miles of alarm wire in the city. FAMS Mangione will refurbish boxes, transfer wires to new poles, and occasionally reroute existing circuits.

- Conduct annual apparatus pump performance tests on all 4 engines and two ladder trucks
- Conduct annual hose testing per NFPA on all fire service hose
- Perform multiple alarm wire pole transfers
- Replace Pump packing and perform pump service on Engine 3

- Write Specifications for the new ambulance and put it out to bid
- Coordinate and come up with a plan to stabilize the building and repair the collapsed roof at Station 5.
- Write Specifications and put out to bid multiple Capitol projects designated with ARPA money
- Oversight and coordinated installation of emergency generators at the outside stations
- Reroute alarm wires several times in coordination with Hopkins street bridge project





HELLO....



Pictured here, from left to right, are PFF Andrew McKillip, PFF Benjamin Troche, PFF Matthew Mendola, and PFF Michael Christy.

The four candidates attended the New York State Fire Academy in Montour Falls, New York to complete their training.

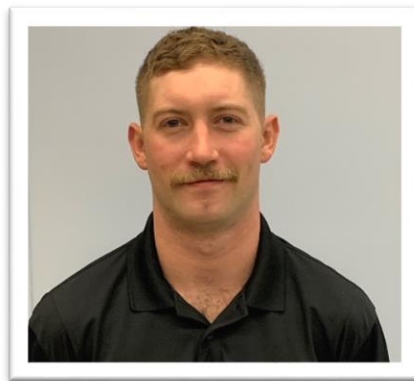
We wish them a long, healthy, and safe career at the Jamestown Fire Department.



PFF Garrett Fransen was hired in November 2023. We are excited to have him here at the Jamestown Fire Department. (Photo Credit: Mark Dean)



PFF Joshua Ellman started his employment at the Jamestown Fire Department in November 2023. (Photo Credit: Mark Dean)



PFF Clarke Wiltsie began his career here at the Jamestown Fire Department in November 2023. (Photo Credit: Mark Dean)

PROMOTED....



Lieutenant Joshua Benson, who joined the Jamestown Fire Department in February 2011, was promoted to Lieutenant in May 2023. LT Benson is a great asset to the fire department and we are looking forward to him serving many more years.



Lieutenant Kyle Sholl joined the Jamestown Fire Department in February 2011. LT Sholl was recently promoted to Lieutenant in May 2023. LT Sholl is a current 4th platoon Lieutenant, overseeing several firefighters on his shifts. Congratulations to LT. Sholl.



Battalion Chief Keith Olson joined JFD in February 2005. Chief Olson was promoted to Lieutenant in October 2011. Also, through hard work and dedication, Chief Olson was promoted to Battalion Chief in November 2023. We look forward to many years of leadership by Chief Olson. (Photo Credit: Liz Smith)

GOODBYE....

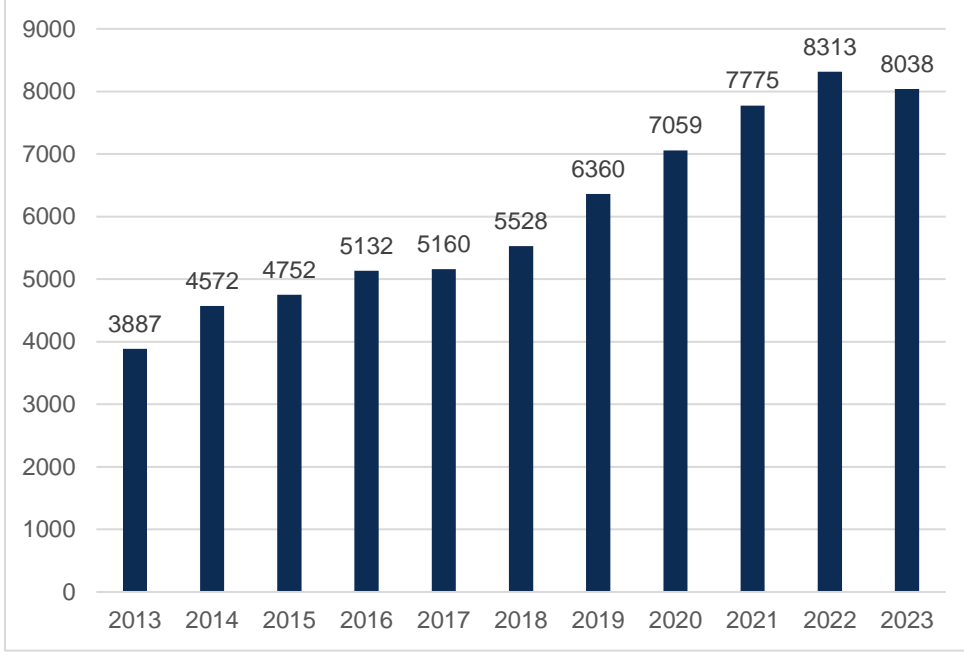


Captain Philip Hanlon began his career at JFD in January 1998. Captain Hanlon was promoted to Lieutenant April 2006. After many years of dedication and service, Captain Hanlon was promoted to Captain in April 2021, with his retirement in April 2023. We wish Phil all the best in his retirement. (Photo Credit: Liz Smith)

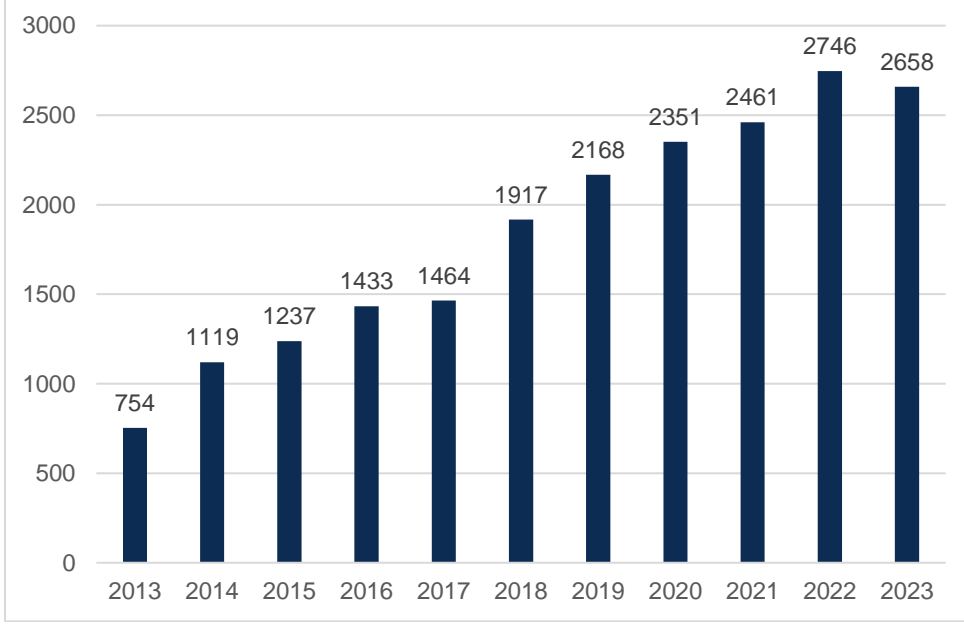


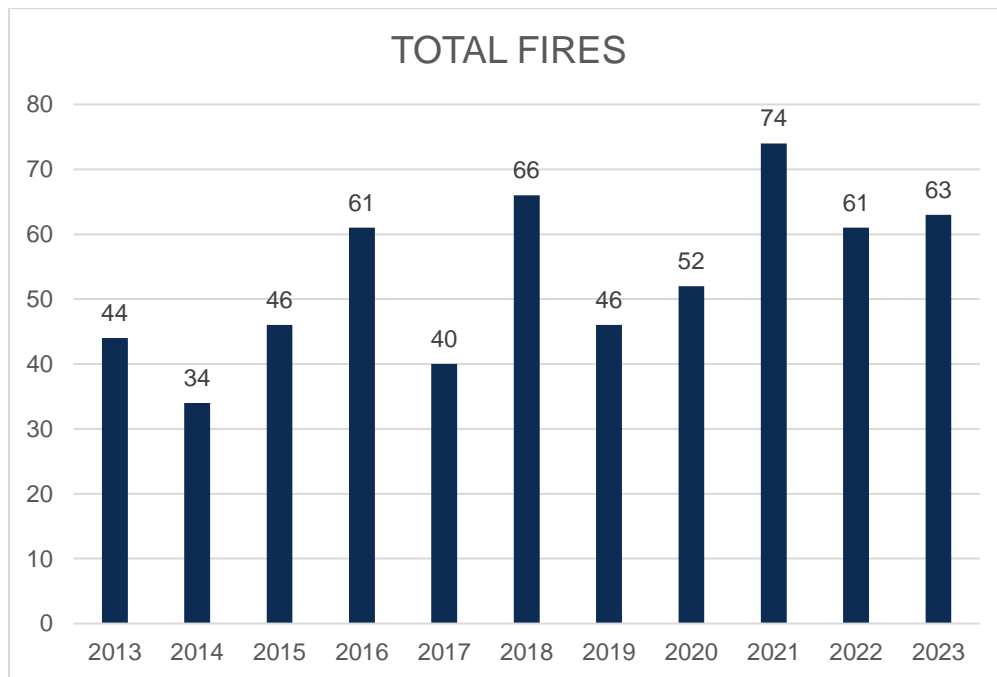
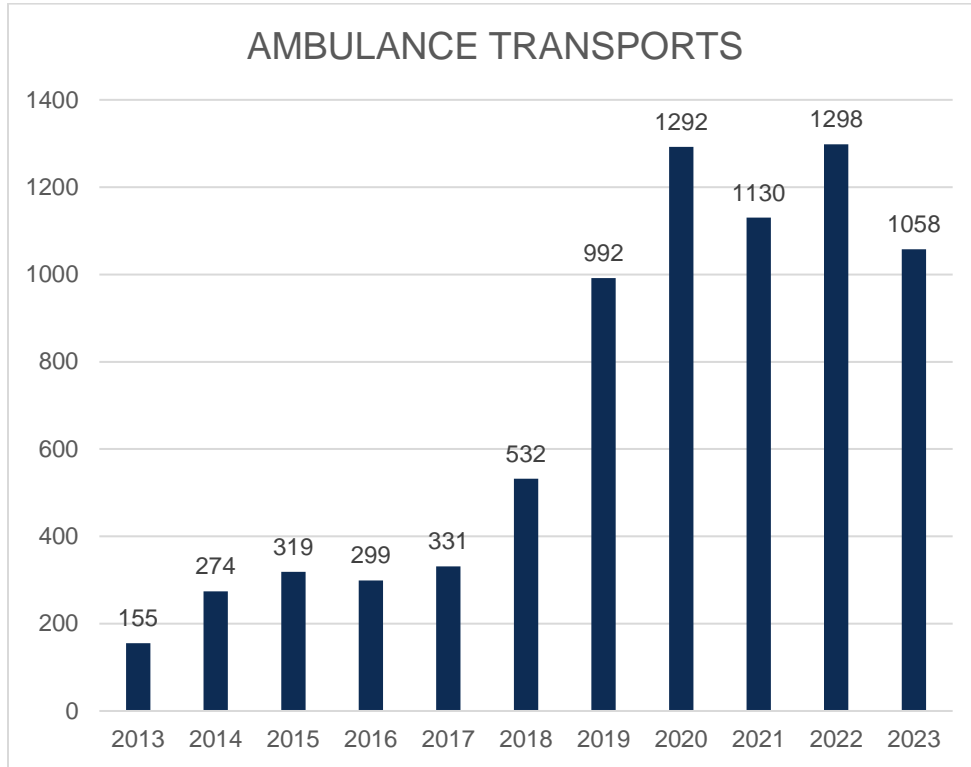
Battalion Chief Roger Sigular started his career with Jamestown Fire Department in March 1989. He was promoted to Lieutenant in May 1998 and promoted to Battalion Chief in October 2004. Through many years, BC Sigular was the chief of the 4th Platoon here in Jamestown. He was highly regarded in his position and we wish him the very best in his retirement years. (Photo Credit: Liz Smith)

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE



ALSTAR OUT OF SERVICE





EMS SUPERVISOR REPORT



Another busy year has passed for the Jamestown Fire Department. The department has answered thousands of alarms with an increasing demand on EMS providers.

JFD responded to 6,124 EMS related incidents in 2023. This includes 1,058 ambulance transports, 63 motor vehicle accidents, and 138 lift assists.

Currently, the Jamestown Fire Department employs 61 state certified EMTs. These EMTs are required to perform more than 45 hours of training in their certification period to maintain their status. Jamestown Fire Department operates an in-house CME (Continuing Medical Education) program to sharpen skills and maintain NYS EMT certification requirements. In addition to station duties, equipment checks, and fire training, Firefighter/EMTs perform many hours of EMS training. This program makes use of PowerPoint, hands-on-training, as well as computer-based learning to ensure all members operate at their highest capability. Some topic areas include Airway, Respiratory, Cardiology, Traumatic Injuries, Mental Health, and even Emergency Vehicle Operator Training.

Last year alone over 1,100-man hours of EMS training were performed. This was made possible by Municipal Fire Instructors (MFIs). These members are selected to perform all platoon level training on their respective shifts. MFIs attend specific training geared toward the preparation and delivery of Fire and EMS topics in a classroom or hands-on setting. Jamestown Fire Department's commitment to the CME program has even enabled one member last year to complete the National Association of EMS Educators Level One Instructor course. This course is 40 hours long and provides the basis of training in education, leadership, and presentation necessary to operate the CME program. This basis allows the EMS Supervisor to not only act to compile records, but also verify the core content curriculum and attain NYS Certified Instructor Coordinator status.

One of the most important jobs in emergency services is training new members. With the recent addition of new Firefighter/EMTs it is essential that this job be performed efficiently and effectively. In 2023, Jamestown Fire Department implemented a new three phase EMT training program. This program includes skills verification, documentation, emergency vehicle operation, and even skills to assist higher level EMS providers.

The commitment to teamwork, training, and professionalism at all levels of Jamestown Fire is evident in the team's performance. I am confident, over the next 365 days, members of JFD will continue to outperform expectations, and work to provide the best service possible to the citizens of the City of Jamestown.