

ZANESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

2011 ANNUAL REPORT

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REPORT FROM THE CHIEF

From an employee standpoint, 2011 was a difficult year. We began the year short on staff and as we continued through 2011 the city administration refused to replace employees who resigned or retired. They then took the funds allotted to finance those positions and utilized them in other areas. Capt. Baker and my secretary, Linda Highfield, retired in early 2011. The city administrators stated that those positions could not be replaced until September 1, 2011 due to the expense of paying out the sick time, vacation time and compensatory time of those two departing employees. This delay violated the employment contract between the City of Zanesville and the Ohio Labor Council, Inc. I spoke with the two Lieutenant's eligible for the promotion to Captain and explained the "pay-out" problem. They agreed to allow the City to violate their contract and delay the promotional testing until September. When September came the city administration reneged on their promise and stated that there would be no promotions until 2012. When the city administrators manage their personnel this way it undermines my ability to manage the police department. We are surviving this financially distressed era with honesty and open communication. I gave my word to these officers and the city let me down. The city let their employees down.

Fortunately, in 2012 the new Mayor has approved the hiring of all funded positions and promotional announcements are to be posted this week. The police department employees are embracing the new administration with cautious optimism.

There are several positive activities to report on. We have replaced all of the computers in the police department in anticipation of a major computer upgrade coming this year. This upgrade has begun and should be completed by June first.

We replaced three old detective cars with three new Ford Focus' which were financed through a grant and we have a new grant approved for 2012 which will replace one or two of the other detective cars. These new cars average 30 miles per gallon where the old cars were averaging 10 miles per gallon. The reduction of gasoline usage was the primary focus in the grant which certainly aided its approval. In addition we have replaced all of the radios in the cars in anticipation of a mandatory upgrade to our communications system which will also occur in early 2012.

Another financial bright spot is our training. Last summer we sent detective Patenaude to Texas to a federal school to become certified in the clean-up of meth labs. These meth labs create hazardous chemicals that require a certified technician for the clean-up. The State of Ohio had been paying over \$2,000 per clean-up but announced they were ending their clean-up program. This expense would have been passed on to the city had we not certified our own employee. The training cost several hundred dollars but since his return, Det. Patenaude has cleared seven meth labs in the city and county saving over \$14,000. The training was attended by one Zanesville Officer and one Sheriff's Deputy who work as a team cleaning these labs. This training will continue to pay dividends as the Zanesville

Police/Muskingum County Drug Unit remains very active in our community.

The remainder of this report will highlight some of the statistics from each of the bureaus within the police department.

2011 GENERAL FUND REPORT

Jail Miscellaneous	\$ 5,344.31
Charges for Services	10,002.67
Private Alarms	-0-
BMV/Confiscated Plates	245.00
Police Miscellaneous	14,680.78
Parking Tickets	2,530.00
Impounds	5,000.00
Prisoner Boarding	-0-
Forfeiture/Seizure/Drugs	-0-
Jail Commissary	7,368.41
K-9/Police Donations	7,458.00
TOTAL	\$52,629.17

2011 ADMINISTRATIVE BUREAU ANNUAL REPORT

One captain, 10 communications operators, 4 records clerks, one warrant officer, and one secretary currently staff the Administrative Bureau, under the command of Capt. Kenneth J. Miller.

During the year we have had several personnel changes. The Radio Room is currently staffed with 10 dispatchers, 2 of these dispatchers are currently going through training. The continued shortage of trained dispatchers has resulted in overtime during the year to maintain safe working levels.

The Administrative Bureau is now managing all grants for the Zanesville Police Department. We presently have two grant awards that we are reporting the final expenditure. We were awarded another grant in August and did finalize another at the end of September. We have been using these grants to purchase new vehicles for the Detective Bureau.

We have started the computer and records keeping software updates at the Zanesville Police Department. We have installed and set up over 20 new computers in the police department. We installed the new server and have started the records transfer to it. We have updated the software in the cruiser

computers and have worked out the connection issues. We will continue the setup process with the new server. Everyone will have to receive training with the new software sometime in February 2012 and we will complete the changeover in April 2012.

Once this conversion is complete, officers will be able to complete their reports, including accident reports, on their computers in the cruisers.

DISPATCH STATISTICS FOR 2011

During 2010, the Dispatch Center answered 32,365 calls for service. A comparison with past years is shown below for total calls:

2007	2008	2009
34,415	33,987	32,010

During this past year, we have updated the software in the cruisers and now connect through an actual server. These cruisers have the capability to receive dispatch calls via the computer without any radio traffic. Officers can also run vehicle registrations and operator licenses on these computers. This has cut down on radio traffic and is a very efficient operation.

2011 TRAFFIC & PARKING ENFORCEMENT REPORT

The following is a report of traffic and parking tickets issued. Figures for 2009 and 2010 are included for comparison purposes.

TRAFFIC TICKETS	2009	2010	2011
OMVI, 333.01	134	119	88
Revocation/Suspension, 335.07	260	258	278
Fleeing and Eluding, 303.01	13	7	3
Willful and Wanton, 333.02	5	5	5
No Operator's License, 335.01	61	63	75
Speeding/ACDA, 333.03	568	596	516

TICKETS ISSUED	2009	2010	2011
Moving Violations	2447	2530	2242
Parking Tickets	1173	560	567

PARKING TICKETS COLLECTION

Three year comparison	\$10,820	\$4,350	\$2,530
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2011 RECORDS DIVISION YEAR END REPORT

The following is a three-year comparison of major criminal offenses committed within the corporation limits of the City of Zanesville.

<u>OFFENSES</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Homicides	1	1	4
Rapes	31	25	39
Robberies	53	42	48
Burglaries/B&E's	345	279	380
Thefts	1361	1399	1496
Auto Thefts	44	48	51
Assaults	418	375	356
Domestic Violence	296	278	236
Drugs	150	178	155
TOTALS	2699	2625	2765

2011 BREAK DOWNS

Robbery	23	Petty Theft	471
Aggravated Robbery	25	Shoplifting	374
Assault	325	Grand Theft	314
Felonious Assault	28	Theft from Motor Vehicle	307
Aggravated Assault	3	Credit Card Theft	4
Burglary	216	Stolen License Plate	13
B & E	164	Theft from Elderly/Disabled	13
Drugs	115		

2011 WARRANT REPORT

WARRANTS ON FILE AT THE BEGINNING OF 2011	1001
WARRANTS RECEIVED DURING 2011	1398
WARRANTS SERVED IN 2011	1097
WARRANTS DISMISSED IN 2011	171
WARRANTS OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF 2011	14
WARRANTS ON FILE AT THE END OF 2011	1117
WARRANTS INCREASED BY	
RESTRAINING ORDERS ON FILE 1/1 2011	TPO 36 CPO 136
RESTRAINING ORDERS RECEIVED DURING 2011	TPO 54 CPO 8
RESTRAINING ORDERS DISMISSED DURING 2011	TPO 72 CPO 0
TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDERS DECREASED BY	18
CIVIL PROTECTION ORDERS INCREASED BY	8
RESTRAINING ORDERS ON FILE AT END OF 2011	TPO 18 CPO 144

*TPO – Temporary Protection Order

*CPO – Civil Protection Order

2011 TRAINING REPORT

In 2011, the employees of the Zanesville Police Department received over 1025 hours of training in a variety of subjects.

Chief, Captains and Supervisors logged over 82 hours of training. Some of the interesting courses were Basic Crisis Negotiations, Intelligence LED Policing for Supervisors and video training on "Is Today Your Day" and "P.U.R.S.U.E.

Officers in the Patrol Bureau received over 573 hours of training. A few of the training courses would be Anti-Terrorism Intelligence Awareness, Use of Force Issues, Firearms Weapon & Requalification, What You Should Know About Missing Persons, Juvenile Offenders & Other Vulnerable Populations, Range Medical Emergencies & The Firearms Instructor, First Responders to Sexual Assaults, Crisis Intervention Team (C.I.T.) training and Firearms Instructor training..

The Officers in the Detective Bureau and Drug Unit received over 161 hours of training. Interesting courses would be Get Confessions; Going Beyond

the Interview, Interviews & Body Language Techniques, Civil Liability & Deadly Force Issues, Bath Salts; K-2 Spice & Prescription Legislative and Clandestine Laboratory Safety Certification which was held in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Also a Drug Unit Officer attended Narcotic & Patrol K-9 Training.

The Corrections Officers in the jail received approximately 17 hours of in-house training on SCBA – Fire Extinguisher. One officer did attend the 144 hour Basic Corrections Officer Training.

The S.R.T. (Special Response Team) received approximately 36 hours in S.R.T. Entry Combatives.

On-line computer courses continued this year with over 12 hours. Officers received miscellaneous on-line training such as Terrorism, Electronic Evidence Gathering, Arrestee & Convicted Offender DNA Collections, Consent to Search, Automobile Inventory, Motorcycle Safety, and Miranda Rights.

2011 PATROL BUREAU ANNUAL REPORT

The Patrol Bureau of the Zanesville Police Department started the year under the command of Capt. Mike Baker. Unfortunately, Capt. Baker retired early in the year and his position remains vacant as we start 2012. Capt. Miller has handled double duties since Capt. Baker's retirement managing both the Patrol and Administration Captain's duties. This Patrol Bureau is normally staffed by two lieutenants, four sergeants and thirty-four patrol officers. At the end of 2010, the patrol bureau was short four officers. Due to retirements, by the end of 2011 we are seven officers short with another officer leaving in February of this year. Vacant supervisory positions are to be filled early in 2012 which will be a welcome relief.

The sworn officers of the Zanesville Police Department have continued to cooperate with the city administration to save money. Often shifts have worked short when officers called in sick so that no overtime would be used. Just as often, patrolmen have worked in supervisor slots, for which they have not been trained to save the city money in overtime. We have had an issue with the wage continuation program provided by the city. This program offers no incentive for an officer to recover from an on-duty injury and have resulted in shortages on the shifts due to extended absences or light duty work.

2011 DETECTIVE BUREAU ANNUAL REPORT

A Sergeant, five detectives, one evidence technician, one property room technician, and one secretary staff the Detective Bureau under the command of Sgt. Ric Roush. This year the Zanesville Narcotics Unit merged with the Muskingum County Narcotics Unit for manpower purposes having positive results with larger and more drug busts. Some of the more notable cases of 2011 were:

HOMICIDES

In January 2011, Detectives began investigating the death of a 1 year old child that had occurred in December of 2010. Investigation revealed, the child had died as a result of injuries sustained from being violently shaken. The child's father, Joseph Miller, was indicted on the charges of Murder and Child Endangering. He is currently incarcerated with a trial scheduled for January 2012. On September 10, 2011, 21 year old Dante Wolford was shot while standing in the lot of the Dairy Mart located at 714 Pine Street. Within hours, Detectives had developed a suspect, Joey Hampton. After several weeks of being on the run, Hampton was finally arrested at a residence in Florida. He is currently incarcerated pending trial for Aggravated Murder.

ROBBERIES

There were 48 robberies in all reported in 2011; with 7 being businesses and

the remainder strong arm or home invasions. In April 2011, four gas stations on Maple Avenue were robbed by a subject wearing a dark hoodie tied tight around the face. This person never brandished a weapon and fled on foot with a small amount of cash from each business. There were numerous other robberies that occurred at the same time around the county by, what appears to have been, the same person.

On October 25, 2011, Detectives began investigating two armed robberies that occurred within minutes of each other. Again, it appeared both robberies were committed by the same subject, each time only obtaining a small amount of cash. As a result of this investigation, 27 year old Jonathon Holt was charged with two counts of robbery.

The home invasion robberies reported were committed by more than one subject entering the residence brandishing firearms, demanding cash and/or other contraband and fleeing from the residence in a vehicle. In most cases, further investigation by Detectives was thwarted by the victims due to lack of cooperation. These invasions appear to be drug related.

MISCELLANEOUS CASES

On April 7, 2011, the Zanesville Police Department was notified that a

Raymond Mejias had been arrested in New York City for a traffic violation.

Mejias had an outstanding warrant for Murder as a result of the 1988

stabbing death of Jeff Harris on West Main Street in Zanesville. A

Governor's Warrant had to be obtained in order to bring Mejias back to

Zanesville to appear on the charge. Numerous witnesses were re-interviewed

and, surprisingly, recalled most of the events of that evening. A trial date for

Mejias has yet to be scheduled.

CASE ASSIGNMENTS

Through December 31, 2011, 463 cases were assigned to individual Detectives for further investigation. Of the 463 cases, the following results were obtained:

- ❖ 168 cases resulted in arrests.
- ❖ 8 cases were classified unfounded.
- ❖ 14 cases were cleared by other means.
- ❖ 196 cases were inactivated.
- ❖ 77 cases are still active.

The total number of juvenile arrests by the department through December 31, 2011 was 257.

DETECTIVE BUREAU ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2011

DETECTIVE	#OF CASES ASSIGNED	CLEARED BY ARREST	INACTIVE	UNF	OTHER MEANS	ACTIVE
Hill	55	23	20	0	0	12
Madden	84	32	26	4	6	16
Michel	99	42	38	1	2	16
Roush	61	22	16	0	3	20
Salvati	77	21	48	0	0	8
Taylor	87	28	49	3	3	4

RECOVERED STOLEN PROPERTY

The value of property recovered by the Detective Bureau as of December 31, 2011 totaled \$496,373.44. A break-down for the individual detectives is as follows:

❖ Detective Hill	\$ 79,477.56
❖ Detective Johnston	\$ 40,000.00
❖ Detective Madden	\$222,030.80
❖ Detective Michel	\$ 67,129.16
❖ Detective Salvati	\$ 11,135.32
❖ Detective Taylor	\$ 17,089.00
❖ Sgt. Roush	\$ 59,511.57

POLYGRAPH REPORT

There were a total of 13 polygraph examinations administered for the year 2011.

<u>Pre-Employment Exams:</u>	3
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Correction Officers	1
Dispatchers	0
Record Clerks	0
Police Officers	0
Fire Fighters	0
Utilities Commission	2

<u>Specific Issue Exams</u>	11
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Criminal Investigations	8
Criminal Investigations (Other Agencies)	3

Detective Hill has also gave one presentation demonstrating the mechanics and reactions of a polygraph exam at C-Tech (Vocational School) in Newark.

2011 SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM ANNUAL REPORT

Missions: 6

The following is a synopsis of the activities of the Zanesville Police Departments *Special Response Team* (SRT).

The SRT conducted six (6) missions, four involved the narcotics unit, one involved a Federal agency, and one involved the ZPD Detective Bureau. These missions involved gaining entry and securing private homes and person's for criminal investigations by utilizing search warrants.

- The first mission #11-001 was on January 7th 2011. This mission was a drug raid at 114 Pierce Street, per the request of ZPD/MCSO narcotics unit. Four arrest were made along with four children. A handgun, cocaine and drug paraphernalia were recovered.
- Mission #11-002 was on March 24th 2011 at the request of the narcotics unit at 1074 Wheeling Avenue. One adult female and one male juvenile were detained. Officers recovered a small amount of narcotics.

- Mission #11-003 was on April 13th 2010 at the request of the US Department of Homeland Security – (ICE). Two adult males were detained for the investigation of illicit use of computers.
- Mission #11-004 was on September 11th 2011 at the request of the ZPD Detective Bureau. Investigation into a homicide. No suspects were detained.
- Mission #11-005 was scheduled for September 23rd 2011 at the request of the ZPD/MCSO Narcotics Unit at 2121 Hoge Avenue. This mission was canceled.
- Mission #11-006 was on October 12th 2011 at the request of the ZPD/MCSO Narcotics Unit. Seven arrests were made and narcotics and a handgun were confiscated.

The SRT continues to conduct limited practice in firearms training, building searches, hostage rescue, and medic training utilizing scenario based training. The team utilized city schools, buildings, buses and cars for realistic based training as well as training in the use of team equipment.

2011 ZANESVILLE CITY JAIL YEAR END REPORT

The Zanesville City Jail is currently staffed by a Jail Administrator: Capt. Douglas J. Merry, 1 jail sergeant, and 18 corrections officers. We are currently down 1 female corrections officer and 1 male corrections officer and we hope to fill those spots soon.

The turnover of personnel continued in 2011 and we were short staffed most of the year due to the length of time required for the hiring process and budget restraints. We also had one male corrections officer deployed in the military most of the year. We hired two females this past spring. One left prior to completing her probationary period and additionally one male quit for another job closer to his home.

Aramark continues to provide the food service to the jail and provide commissary to the inmates. We have received a percentage of the profit from the commissary in the amount of \$7358.92 for 2011, which is up from last year. This money must be to purchase items that benefit the inmates such as supplies, microwaves, televisions and entertainment items.

We are planning to do some structural redesigning in the booking area to make our operation more cost effective. The plan is to add a doorway between booking and the second floor jail cell area. If approved by the State Board of Corrections this move would allow us to combine the booking position and the second floor position which will reduce our manpower dependency. Additionally, under the new design the second floor post would be secured from inmates by putting in a glass and steel frame wall around that area.

During the past year, inmates from the Zanesville City Jail have been used in various programs to work in community service. These include the Building Maintenance, the Muskingum County Fairgrounds, Gant Stadium, and the Job Incubator move to their new location, and in Courtroom cleaning. This not only provides a service to the community, but also allows the inmates to work off some of their fines with the Municipal Court.

This year the average daily jail population is up somewhat even with the second floor being closed. A concerted effort has been underway to make maximum use of the space we have available to house inmates in the most economical method possible.

We have replaced all the computers in the jail with new ones that are more efficient and run windows 7. This has made computer work with booking and commissary faster. It's all part of the departmental technical upgrade that has been planned for several years.

2011 INMATE STATISTIC SUMMARY

The Zanesville City Jail housed the following totals in the years indicated:

	2009	2010	2011
Number of inmates held:	1891	2202	2479
Male Inmates	1355	1536	1789
Female Inmates	536	666	690
Asian	0	0	2
Black	364	401	499
White/Cauc./Mex.	1513	1798	1970
American Indian	0	0	1
Unknown	12	3	7
Age at Booking			
Under 18	0	0	0
18 – 25	603	736	825
26 – 39	776	865	1011
40 and over	512	600	643
Average Age	32.67	32.57	32.45
Marital Status			
Single	1,300	1523	1800
Married	286	333	373
Divorced	195	232	187
Separated	82	82	95
Widowed	10	10	14
Unknown	15	18	10
Average daily population	40.35	38.75	38.67