

Providence Police Department
2024 Annual Report
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A Message from the Chief

It is both my honor and privilege to present the 2024 End of Year Report. First and foremost, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to the dedicated men and women of this department, both sworn officers and civilian staff. Their commitment, professionalism, and unwavering dedication to service make all of our accomplishments possible.

I am proud to highlight some of the outstanding achievements of 2024. This year, we graduated the 72nd Police Academy, adding 34 new officers to serve and protect all who live in and visit the great City of Providence.

Additionally, we launched recruitment efforts for the 73rd Police Academy, which is set to begin in mid- 2025. Our department made significant strides in reducing crime and enhancing public safety. We removed 325 illegal firearms from our city streets, contributing to a 10% decrease in reported violent crime offenses from 2023. Violent crimes involving firearms saw an even more substantial drop—27% lower than last year. Homicide, robbery, and aggravated assault numbers all declined. Notably, the number of shooting victims fell from 54 in 2023 to 33 in 2024—a 39% reduction. Reported property crime offenses also decreased by 7%.

Beyond crime reduction, our department remains committed to improving the quality of life for all residents. In 2023, we established the Community Response Team (CRT), and in just one year, this unit has made a tangible impact on addressing and reducing various quality of life concerns, including noise violations, graffiti, reckless speeding, and illegal ATV activity. We recognize that these issues significantly affect our neighborhoods, and we will continue to take proactive measures to ensure safer and more peaceful communities.

At the core of our mission is a deep commitment to community policing and professionalism. We understand that true public safety is built on trust, collaboration, and engagement with the community. By fostering strong relationships and working in partnership with residents, we will continue to create a safer, more united city.

There are so many incredible achievements our department has accomplished in 2024, and I look forward to continuing this important work in 2025, with the support of our dedicated officers and, most importantly, the community we serve.

Thank you again for placing your trust in me and the men and women of this great police department.

Sincerely,



Colonel Oscar L. Perez
Chief of Police



Mission Statement

The Providence Police Department, united with all citizens, is committed to improving the quality of life in our city by aggressively resolving problems, preserving peace, protecting human rights, and apprehending criminals consistent with the law.



Vision Statement

The Providence Police Department (PPD) united with all citizens, is committed to improving the quality of life in our City by aggressively resolving problems, preserving the peace, protecting human rights and apprehending criminals, in a manner consistent with the Law. The Providence Police Department’s commitment to community policing is shown through its cooperative partnerships built around the principles of creating access to programs and resources that create good safe communities. The Providence Police Department will continue its efforts to remain a nationally recognized model department for its creation and implementation of community partnerships to help create safe, healthy neighborhoods in the City of Providence. The Providence Police Department has adopted a philosophy of creating and sustaining strong partnerships with community based non-profit organizations. These partnerships have allowed the Providence Police Department to provide a range of services that reach deep into the community’s needs, and help re-develop blighted crime ridden areas into safe healthy places to live and grow.



Chief's Office



Colonel Oscar L. Perez
Chief of Police

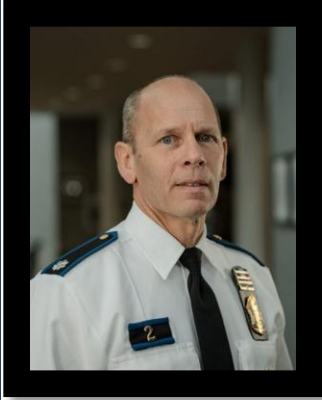
Oscar Perez is the Colonel of the Providence Police Department and the Commanding Officer of the Office of Professional Responsibility. He was born in Medellin Colombia, and spent his childhood in his native country until the age of fourteen when he departed for the USA.

Colonel Perez arrived in Providence RI and attended both middle and high school in the City of Providence. Ten years later, he was appointed to the Providence Police Department as a Patrol Officer on May 13, 1994. During the past 31 years the Colonel has served in the Patrol Division, the Detective Division, the Intelligence/Special Services Division, the Gang Intervention Unit, the Neighborhood Response Team, the Community Relations Bureau, the Narcotics and Organized Crime Bureau. Colonel Perez has a file replete with awards and commendations for excellent police work and devotion to duty. He has assisted the FBI and other Federal Law Enforcement agencies in undercover operations.

Colonel Perez was also recognized for assisting the Town of Johnston Police Department in the apprehension of a subject who was involved in shooting one of their police officers. During his career he has earned the Mayor's Award, FBI Award, Chiefs award, and the Fraternal Order of Police Award. He is a graduate of the Harvard Kennedy School's program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government class of 2019, the PERF's Senior Management Institute class of 2016 and is a member of the Leadership Rhode Island's 2015 Lambda II Class. He is also an Adjunct professor in the Administration of Justice Department at Roger Williams University and Salve Regina University.

Colonel Perez currently serves on the RI Commission for Prejudice in Bias, The RI State Parole Board, the RI College Inclusive Excellence Commission and the Board for the Institute for the Study and Practice of Nonviolence (ISPN). Colonel Perez obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in the Administration of Justice from Roger Williams University and a Master of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Boston University.





Commander Timothy O'Hara

Deputy Chief of Police

Commander O'Hara is the Deputy Chief to Colonel Perez. He is responsible for all operations within the Uniform and Investigative divisions and also assists Colonel Perez in the administration of the entire department. Commander O'Hara is also responsible for disciplinary matters.

Commander O'Hara was sworn into the department in August of 1995 and has served in various positions throughout his career. In 2000 Commander O'Hara was promoted to the rank of Detective then to the supervisory position of Sergeant in 2005, working in the Patrol Bureau and later becoming the Commander of the Violent Crime Task Force. He was promoted to Lieutenant in 2010 and worked in several roles within the Patrol Bureau to include Shift Commander, Commanding Officer the Downtown District, and Commander of the Mounted Command Unit. In 2015 he was transferred to the Investigative Division as Detective Lieutenant supervising major crime investigations. He was promoted to the rank of Captain in 2017 and became the Commanding Officer of the Detective Bureau. In 2022, he was promoted to Major, and promoted to Deputy Chief, Commander in 2024.

Commander O'Hara is a highly decorated officer and the recipient of numerous awards and commendations including the First Place Rhea Archambault Award in 1997 for Police Officer of the Year, the Rhea Archambault Awards in 1996, and 2001, the City Council Award, the F.O.P. Award, and the Outside Agency Award. He has been a member of the Gang Intervention Unit and the FBI Child Exploitation Task Force. He was the Chairman of the Providence Police Commendation Board from 2014 to 2017. He was a Board member of the Downtown Improvement District and Co-Chair of the Downtown Security Network. In 2018 Commander O'Hara attended the Senior Management Institute for Police (SMIP) at Boston University and is an alumnus of Leadership R.I. 2020.



Office of Professional Responsibility

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Commanding Officer

The Office of Professional Responsibility (Internal Affairs) is commanded by Major Henry Remolina. Internal Affairs is responsible for overseeing administrative investigations within the department and investigating civilian complaints against the department and its officers. On occasion, major investigations within the department may be outsourced to the Rhode Island State Police or other outside agencies.

Public Complaints & Investigations

External Complaints & Investigations

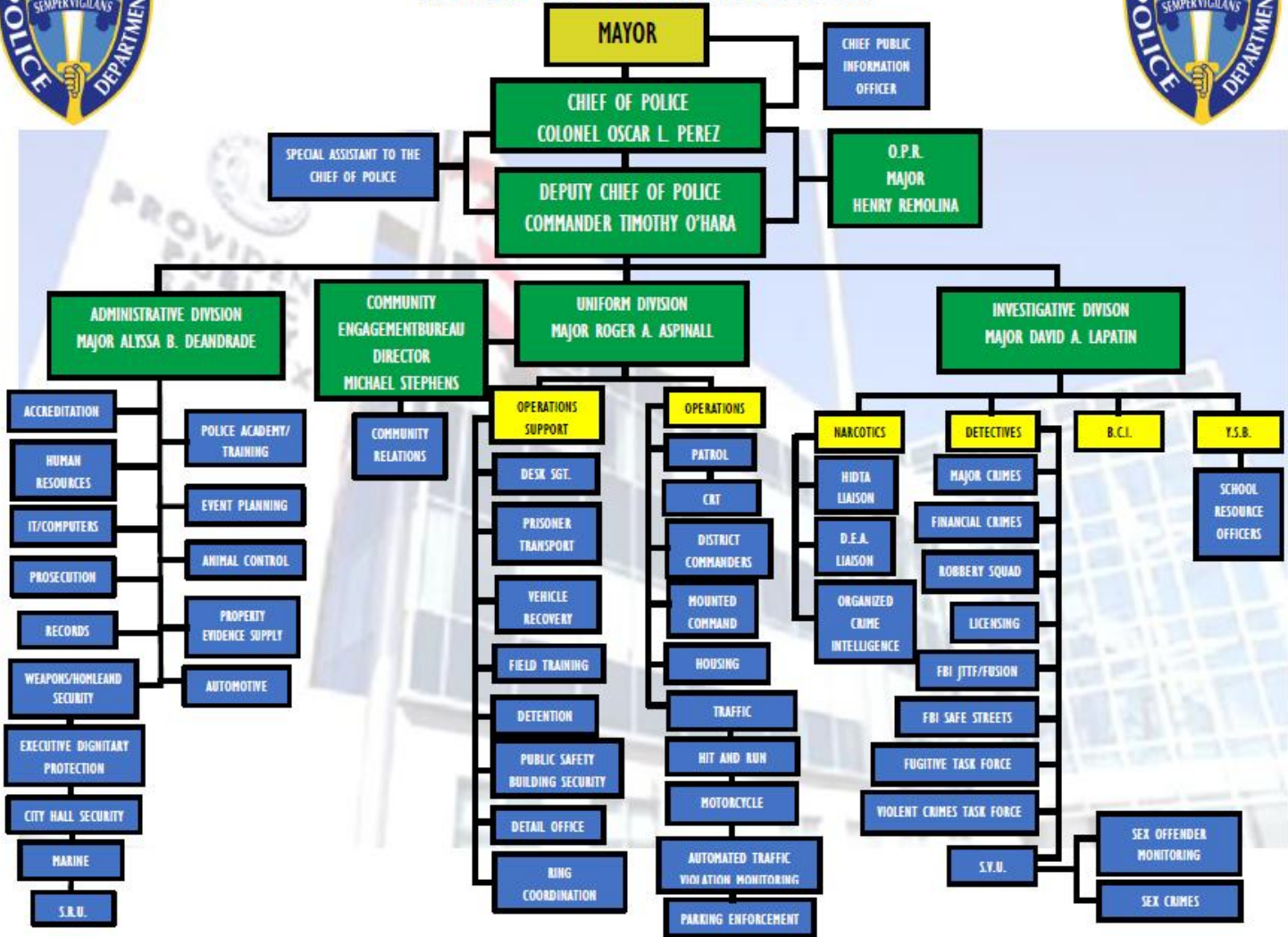
Citizen Complaint	87
Sustained	4
Not Sustained	12
Unfounded/Exonerated	32
Justified within policy	12
Mediated	4
Withdrawn	1
Documented	9
Counseled	2
In progress	7
Summary Punishment	4



Table of Organization



PROVIDENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT TABLE OF ORGANIZATION



Personnel

Providence Police Personnel	Authorized 2024	Actual 2024
Chief	1	1
Commander	1	1
Majors	4	4
Captains	8	7
Lieutenants	20	20
Sergeants	59	59
Officers	401	353
Total Sworn	494	445



Uniform Division
Major Roger Aspinall
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Commanding Officer



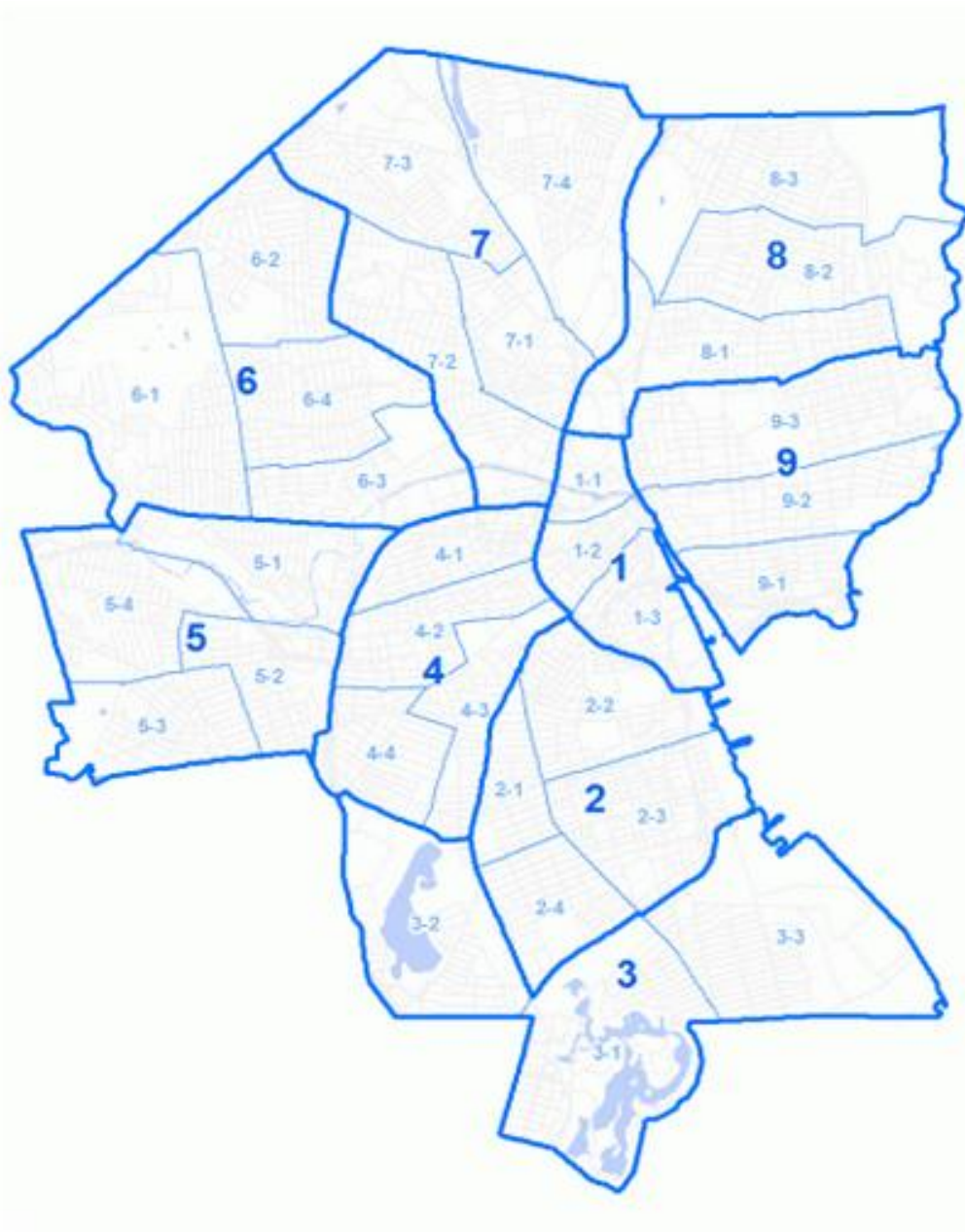
The Uniform Division is responsible for providing direction to officers and staff, overseeing daily operations, and ensuring compliance with departmental policies and procedures. They allocate personnel and resources effectively, coordinate patrol schedules and deployment strategies, and oversee specialized units such as the Mounted Command and Motorcycle Units. Additionally, they engage with the community, collaborate with other law enforcement agencies, and develop crime prevention and enforcement strategies. The commanding officer works closely with department leadership to achieve organizational goals and objectives, and manages the following units:

DESK SERGEANT
PRISONER TRANSPORT
VEHICLE RECOVERY
FIELD TRAINING
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING SECURITY
DETAIL OFFICE
DISTRICT COMMANDERS
MOUNTED COMMAND
HOUSING UNIT
TRAFFIC BUREAU
MOTORCYCLE UNIT



Patrol Districts

The Providence Police Department utilizes a decentralized approach in its policing philosophy. Keeping to this approach, the City has been divided into nine neighborhood-based districts; each with its own substation under the command of a District Lieutenant. This approach enables police officers to be more available to the citizens in the community in which it serves. In addition, each Lieutenant is responsible for developing a crime-fighting strategy that is specific to the problems that are prevalent in his/her respective District.



Patrol District Contacts

Lt. Matthew Jennette

Substation location:
270 Weybossett St. (Main)
43 Elm St. (Secondary)

District 1
Downtown

Lt. Carlos Sical

Substation location:
1380 Broad St.
305 Shipyard St.

District 2
Upper South Providence
Lower South Providence
Elmwood

District 3
South Elmwood
Washington Park
Reservoir

Lt. Christopher Currier

Substation Location:
200 Cranston St.
246 Magnolia St.

District 4
Federal Hill
West End

District 5
Olneyville
Hartford
Silver Lake

Lt. Richard Esposito

Substation Location:
1276 Chalkstone Ave.
206 Camden Ave.

District 6
Manton
Mount Pleasant
Elmhurst
Valley

District 7
Charles
Wanskuck
Smith Hill

Lt. William Brown

Substation Location:
172 Cushing St.

District 8
Hope
Mount Hope
Blackstone

District 9
Wayland
College Hill
Fox Point



Traffic Bureau

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Commanding Officer



The Traffic Bureau supports the total law enforcement effort by directing and controlling traffic, investigating traffic crashes and specializing in enforcing traffic laws. The Traffic Bureau supports the department with Traffic Control during specialized large events, such as the Dominican Festival, PVD Fest, protests, and during weather hazards (snow blitz, flooding), funeral escorts, VIP escorts, Parade escorts, ceremonial escorts, and Community Enhancement. In 2024, the Traffic Bureau, additionally, supported the department by spearheading the traffic control operations plan and implementation of enforcement during the Washington Bridge closures with the enforcement of the newly implemented Municipal Ordinance Sec 15-142 Weight of Vehicles in Certain Streets violations as well as the coordination with the Bus Patrol Inc. and implementation of enforcement for School Bus stop violations. The Traffic Bureau is responsible for the Snow Tow Operations during inclement weather participating in one Snow Blitz with a total tow of 187 vehicles and upgrading the documentation procedure between the officers towing and the Communications Department in a Snow Blitz preparatory exercise in December 2024.

In 2024, the Traffic Bureau's success was concentrated in the overall reduction of MV accidents in particular the area of North Main St. where several pedestrian fatalities occurred in 2023. As a result of the investigations, quick identification and apprehension of the suspects in the Pedestrian Hit & Run Fatalities, and the overall constant traffic enforcement, there has been a drastic reduction of fatalities on North Main St. The Traffic Bureau officers concentrated on multiple enforcement of traffic violations as well as pedestrian right of way violations on North Main St.

In November, during the 2024 AAA Northeast Community Traffic Safety Awards, the Traffic Bureau Unit was awarded the AAA Northeast Silver Safety Award for outstanding achievement and efforts in protecting the citizens of Providence. 11 Traffic Bureau Officers were awarded the Traffic Safety Hero Awards. In November, 9 Traffic Officers were recognized by MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) with the DUI Achievement Pins for their dedication to DUI stops and arrests.

This year on December 3, 2024, our Motorcycle Unit was recognized and Honored during a recent Providence College (PC) Basketball game; and Six (6) Traffic Bureau Officers have been nominated for the 2024 RIDOT Highway Champion Awards to be awarded in 2025, and many more accolades and awards all around.



Officers of the Traffic Bureau have been trained and certified from basic to advanced/ instructor level of training in the following areas:

- Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (DUI/SFST Preliminary Breath Test Operations Breathalyzer).
- Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE).
- Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) and Basic and Advanced Accident Reconstruction.
- FARO 3D Measurement Technology.
- Emergency Vehicle Operation Course (EVO).
- Traffic Incident Management Response (TIMs).
- Forensic Collision Reconstruction (Basic, Advanced, Pedestrian and Motorcycle crashes) and Vehicular Homicide investigations.
- LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) radar.
- Pedestrian Safety.
- Child Restraint System (CPS).
- Distracted Driving recognition.
- Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement.
- Crash Data Recorder (CDR).
- Event Data recorder (EDR).

Members of the Traffic Bureau also have experience with the Variable Message Boards (VMBs).



Traffic Bureau Activity 2024

Traffic Bureau	
MV Accidents (Department)	4344
MV Accidents (Traffic)	1660
Fatal MV Accidents (Traffic)	1
Fatal Pedestrian Accidents (one E-scooter)	3
DUI Total	103
DUI(Observations)	41
Chemical Test Refusal Total	62
DUI (Test)	41
Summons Issued by Traffic	4743
DRE Evaluations (Traffic)	1

RIDOT Office of Highway Safety Grant	
Pedestrian Safety Violations	91
Distracted Driving Violations	538
Click It or Ticket Violations	492
Speeding Violations	502
Impaired Driving Violations	54
DUI Arrest	6
Non-NHTSA Violations	424
Car Seat Installs	117

Motorcycle Unit Activity	
Funeral Escorts	128
Motor Vehicle Summonses	1003
Special Events/Community Events	106
Child Seat Installations	38
Arrests	7
Training Days	51
Message Boards/Speed Sled placement	124
RICRS Accident Reports	141
Parking Tickets	35

Vehicle Recovery Unit	
Vehicles Tagged	728
Total Vehicles Towed	225
Stolen Autos recovered/plates	21/25
Port Tows	115
Written Violations Issued	218
Extensions Granted	41

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement	
Level 1 Comm Vehicle Inspections	149
Comm Vehicles placed Out of Service	83
FMCSA Federal Violations	394
State Violations	67

Hit & Run Investigations	
Hit and Run Investigated	3571
Arrests	53
Violations Issued	739
School Bus Videos Reviewed (since 10/1)	4921
School Bus Violations Issued (since Oct 1)	2705
CIF Packets	16
LIDARs Training	38
Accident Review Board Total	88

Speed Cameras & Red Lights Cameras	
Speed Cameras Violations issued	40,587
Red Lights Violations issued	56,700
Total Combined	97,287

Parking Enforcement Officers	
Parking Tickets issued	105,268



Community Relations Bureau

Director Michael Stephens

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2024 Highlights and Accomplishments

Collaborative Partnerships

One of the year's most impactful collaborations, was with *Faith & Blue*, a nationally recognized organization that fosters partnerships between law enforcement and communities through faith-based initiatives. In October, *Faith & Blue* brought together community faith leaders from diverse denominations across Providence to participate in activities designed to build trust. Saint Pius V Catholic Church hosted a key event as part of this nationwide initiative, which included community forums, service projects, unity marches, and more across all 50 states.

Community Engagement Initiatives

The Community Relations Bureau (CRB) organized and facilitated numerous programs to improve police-community relations, including:

1. Crime Watch Meetings: Open discussions with residents throughout the city.
2. Stop the Violence Meetings: Platforms for residents to share concerns and strengthen relationships with law enforcement.
3. Town Hall Meetings: Large-scale gatherings at community and recreation centers for meaningful dialogue.
4. Summer Cookouts: Informal events designed to foster positive connections between residents and officers.

Community Programs

In collaboration with officers, civilians, and local organizations, CRB implemented several impactful initiatives, such as:

1. Second Annual PPD Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway: 175 families in the Lockwood/Smith Hill community received turkeys and hams.
2. Third Annual Angel Tree Drive: 200 children from UCAP School and Roger Williams Day Care received Nike sneakers during Christmas.
3. Second Mayor Brett Smiley Annual Golf Tournament: Raised funds for the Providence Recreation Department and united the community.
4. Sixth Annual Halloween Truck and Treat: A family-friendly event that promoted safety and community spirit.
5. National Night Out: Held at Roger Williams Park's Temple of Music, this event enhanced relationships between neighbors and law enforcement while fostering a sense of community.



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Youth and Recreation Support

The CRB supported several youth-focused initiatives, including:

1. **Providence Police Wrestling Camp:** In partnership with Beat the Streets, Brown University, JWU, and Roger Williams University, this weeklong event provided mentorship and training for 110 participants.
2. **1st Annual Free Throw Contest:** Organized in collaboration with the Providence Recreation Department.
3. **Midnight Basketball League:** A program that engages youth in productive activities during late hours.
4. **We Got Next Summer Youth Basketball League:** Supported to keep youth active and engaged.
5. **Chad Brown Day Community Celebration:** Promoted unity and celebrated community spirit.

Grassroots Engagement and Outreach

CRB consistently engaged with various community stakeholders to address concerns and develop actionable solutions:

1. Weekly visits to public and charter schools to participate in after-school programs.
2. Meetings with small business owners to gather feedback and strengthen police-community relations.
3. Partnerships with the Parks and Recreation Department to promote social inclusion.
4. Responding to residents' concerns and evaluating community needs to shape effective policies and programs.

Accomplishments by the Numbers

- Raised over \$20,000 in under two years to support holiday projects and family assistance.
- Hosted multiple open dialogue events to foster trust between residents and police.
- Proactively addressed calls from concerned citizens about criminal activity.
- Engaged with youth to address their concerns and provided support through athletic leagues as alternatives to street violence.



Public Housing Unit

Sergeant Raymond Hull

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Commanding Officer



The officers assigned to the Providence Police Public Housing Unit produced the following activity for 2024.

- 76 crimes were reported to, or encountered by, the PHU officers (60 PHA properties and 16 Other HUD and Other city locations)
- Of the 76 crimes reported, or encountered, a total of 39 (51%) were cleared by arrest on scene. (14 PHA properties and 10 Other HUD and Other city locations)
- The PHU responded to a total of 2,498 PPD and 754 PHA dispatched radio calls for service in total.
- Issued 629 city and state summons/tags and PHA parking violation stickers
- Effectuated 226 Dispersals
- Attended 413 meetings with PHA Security and PHA tenants.

The PHU officers work and coordinate closely with all of the departments of the police department such as Patrol, Detectives and Narcotics to effectively address problems of crime in public housing. The PHU also works with and coordinates closely with all outside law enforcement agencies, such as the RI State Police and other law enforcement agencies, community organizations, and residents throughout the year to develop and implement place-based approaches for addressing incidents of crime, with a particular focus on conditions in neighborhoods surrounding the PHA's Hartford Park, Manton Heights and Chad Brown Apartments communities.

The PHU and PHA Security Operations developed and delivered a series of community safety meetings with residents to assist in identifying areas of concern and engaging residents in developing new community safety initiatives. In addition, an interdepartmental team of PHA staff and police met with residents whose households were identified as connected to negative activity in PHA communities. The purpose of these meetings was to identify underlying causes of behavior and offer diversion services in appropriate circumstances that would preserve tenancies while also protecting the safety and rights of other residents to peaceful enjoyment.

For 2024, the PHU officers continued to work closely with the staff and residents of the Providence Housing Authority. The continuous informational exchange on suspected criminal activity greatly assists in developing a plan of action to address a developing problem before a minor problem becomes a major problem. Due to a cooperative effort between the PHU officers and PHA staff when a "hotspot" is identified the PHU provides the solution(s) that relates to law enforcement while the PHA staff, such as management, provides an administrative solution(s) such as a non-compliance lease violation infraction.

For 2024, the PHU officers continued to work closely the PHA's Office of Security Operations to address an increase in the last year in crime on PHA properties involving theft of packages, catalytic converters, and specific types of vehicles, with the use of PHA surveillance camera footage becoming an important tool in the investigation of cases and identification of suspects.



The PHU assisted with testifying in District Court for Temporary Restraining Orders (TRO), No Contact Orders (NCO), District Court ordered tenant stipulations and tenant terminations hearings. The PHU also assisted the PHA Fraud Investigator with possible housing fraud investigation and identifying people for PHA lease violations.

PHA has increased its application of crime prevention through environmental design principles by assessing developments, including identifying needed trimming of foliage and growth interfering with cameras and line of sight and assessing needs for additional surveillance cameras and significantly upgraded lighting. As of the date of this report, the PHA installed 14 new surveillance cameras on the exterior of the building and in the hallways, and upgraded lighting at the Kilmartin Plaza HighRise located at 160 Benedict St. This is a PHA pilot program and the first PHA HighRise to have hallway cameras installed due to an uptick in activity there. The PHA has installed 4 new stairwell cameras at 50 Laurel Hill Ave where the Boys and Girls Club have morning and afternoon programs. These security improvements were supported by a combination of CFP and City of Providence funding.

In addition, the PHA Security Camera System is used extensively to detect and investigate criminal activity or incidents. Currently, there are 313 security cameras located city-wide in all of the PHA family developments and HighRises up from 291 last year. The PHA continues to replace, install and/or upgrade surveillance cameras. The PHU and PHA Security used these cameras for the increased volume of illegal dumping that occurred in the PHA developments and High-Rises. Numerous summonses were mailed to the registered owners of those vehicles involved.



Mounted Command



Sergeant Seven Courville
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Commanding Officer

The Providence Police Mounted Command Stables are located within Roger Williams Park and was constructed in 1993 through an open space grant. Our mounted unit is currently staffed by a professional civilian workforce of five members, all of whom provide superior care for our Mounted Command Equines.

The Mounted Command serves as part of the Uniform Division, Patrol Bureau, and is under the leadership of Major Roger Aspinall. The Command is proudly led by Sergeant Steven Edward Courville and serves the City of Providence, performing as the police department's most successful community relations tool. The unit's police officers and their five equine partners regularly patrol City neighborhoods. Mounted Command provides high visibility over-watch and crowd control for large scale events. The Mounted Command frequently attends community events at local schools, elderly centers, parades, and ceremonies where they foster positive relationships with our fine police department.

In the Autumn of 2022, the Mounted Command began the implementation of Capital Improvement Program (CIP) grant of nearly \$700,000.00 (USD.)

This program focused on much needed replacement of paddock and perimeter fencing as well as full renovation of our pastures and paddocks on site at our stables. The project was recently completed in the Autumn of 2024.

Our stables and training facility remain open to the public and provides for scheduled groups tours.

2024 Year End Activity	
Funerals/Wakes	31
Parades	10
Community Events	23
School visits/Events	41
Tours at Stables	40
Dedications/ Ceremonial	12
Memorial Masses	11
Multi- Agency Training	2
Enzo's Escorts	10
Roger Williams Park Concerts	2
National Night Out Events	1
Festivals	4



Detail Office

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 Commanding Officer

In 2024, the Providence Police Detail Office assigned 23,945 details for a total of 143,211 hours. In addition to assigning and supervising the officers on details, the Detail Office works closely with the office of Arts, Culture and Tourism on Special Events. These two offices meet bi-weekly with members of the community who are interested in hosting events in the City. In 2024, the largest event usually handled by the Detail Office (the Providence Marathon) was cancelled due to the failure of the Washington Bridge. The Detail Office provided support for the filming of the movie “Ella McKay”. The Detail Office annually oversees the planning and scheduling of Waterfire, Providence Pride Festival & parade, Providence Bruins games, Providence College Friars games and Rhode Island Comic Con. In December of 2024, the Detail Office went to an electronic system called “Roll Kall” to help with scheduling and invoicing payments. This project was the result of years of research & planning to help make the Detail Office process run more efficiently and transparent.

Month	# of details	Pt/m	Sgt	Lt	Capt	K-9	retired	# of hours
January	1,907	1,854	29	3	0	21	0	10,530
February	1,547	1,493	37	2	0	15	0	8,562
March	1,584	1,512	51	5	1	15	0	8,634
April	1,718	1,584	20	4	0	6	104	10,287
May	1,980	1,655	26	2	0	18	279	11,893
June	2,066	1,686	27	6	3	15	329	13,058
July	2,821	2,365	28	2	0	8	418	17,590
August	1,938	1,577	28	3	1	0	329	11,702
September	2,064	1,713	29	4	0	0	318	12,677
October	2,100	1,717	30	7	2	6	338	12,937
November	2,178	1,795	47	20	2	15	299	13,352
December	2,042	1,929	26	4	1	12	70	11,989
YTD	23,945	20,880	378	62	10	131	2,484	143,211



Community Response Team (CRT)

Sergeant Alex Kanelopoulos
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Commanding Officer

The Community Response Team's (CRT) primary objectives are to investigate and dismantle the large-scale illegal operation of off-road dirt bikes and ATV's within the City of Providence. Towards the end of the year (2023) during the colder months, the unit shifted its focus towards illegal graffiti, as well as street crimes to include narcotics, larcenies, breaks, warrant apprehensions as well as assisting the Detective Bureau with major crimes to include shootings, and a bank robbery investigation.

Currently, 4 Investigators are assigned to the Plain Clothes CRT under the supervision of Captain Jennette and (CRT-1) Sgt. Kanelopoulos.

In 2024 these CRT Investigators conducted numerous separate and independent investigations into the illegal operation and storage of ATV's and dirt-bikes as well as graffiti operations and a large-scale "tire and rim" Felony Larceny Investigation throughout the City, State of Rhode Island as well as Massachusetts. These Investigators developed the necessary probable cause to obtain search and seizure warrants. These warrants were successfully executed and suspects ultimately arrested. Some of these investigations are still ongoing cases.

2023 Calls for Service (ATV/Dirt bike operation)– 228

2024 Calls for Service (ATV/Dirt bike operation) – 177

Total ATV/Dirt Bike Seizures – 22 (This does not include the towing of ATV/Dirt Bikes that were street legal)

Total Arrests	268
Search Warrants	10
Firearms Arrests	7
Narcotics Arrests	21
AIR's completed	3
Graffiti Arrests	5
Stolen Motor Vehicle Arrests	25
Shoplifting	5
Total Dispersals	142
Moped/ATV/Dirt-Bike seizure/tow	16
Parking Tags	150
Traffic Violations/Summonses	50
Loud Music Summons	40
Notice and Demands	25
Fireworks	14
Firearms Seized	5
Narcotics Seized	21



Investigative Division

Major David A. Lapatin

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Commanding Officer

The Investigative Division is responsible for the major non-patrol related investigations and police work not covered by the Uniform Division, commanded by a Major in the department. The Investigative Division is made up of four major bureaus and several smaller units that target specific issues within the City. The following is a breakdown of the Investigative Division structure and unit organization:

NARCOTICS
RISP/HIDTA LIASON
INTELLIGENCE & ORGANIZED CRIME
DETECTIVES
FINANCIAL CRIMES
ROBBERY SQUAD
LICENSING
FBI JTTF TASK FORCE
RISP FUGITIVE TASK FORCE
SPECIAL VICTIMS UNIT
BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION
YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU AND SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

2024 Year End Totals	
Homicide Data	
Homicides Total	11
Homicides via Firearm	7
Stabbing	3
Punched/hands	1
Cleared	8
Shooting Victims Data	
Shooting Victims	33
Firearms Data	
Firearms Seized	325
Firearms Charged	206



Violent Crime Task Force (VCTF)

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Commanding Officer

Total Arrest: 119

Firearms Seized: 60

Persons Charged with illegally possessing firearms: 56

Narcotics Arrest: 17

- Methamphetamine: 1,441.62 G
- Fentanyl: 537.09 G
- Cocaine: 459.96 G
- **Total:** 2,438.67 G (2.4 KG)

Stolen Motor Vehicles: 17

Wanted Persons: 24. Four (4) of these Wanted Persons, were wanted for Robbery and Four (4) of these subjects were Wanted for Felony Assault with a Firearm.

Search and Seizure Warrants Executed: 14

Cell Phone Search Warrants: 15



License Enforcement Unit

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Commanding Officer

In 2024 the License Enforcement Unit closed nine businesses on an emergency basis. Seven of these emergency hearings were for stabbings inside the business and two were for shots fired as a result of an incident/event at the business. The unit also conducted investigations regarding four additional felonies at establishments. These incidents were also stabbings which involved a knife or other weapon. The License Enforcement Unit also conducted 680 background checks on performers performing within the city and on applicants applying for various city licenses. Additionally, the unit completed 103 noise measurement reports resulting in 32 violations.

The following is the 2024 activity report for the Providence Police Department License Enforcement Unit.

INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE:

39 total incidents of violence in and around the establishments:

- Stabbing: 11 incidents, 8 with a knife, 3 with a bottle or glass
- Shots Fired/ Incidents w/Firearm: 2
- Disturbances: 26

VIOLATIONS:

- Entertainment without a license: 35 violations
- Hours of operation: 28 violations
- Bottle Service: 8 violations
- Floor Host License required: 11 violations



Digital Intelligence Unit

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Homicides & Major Cases Summary:

The Digital Intelligence Unit plays a crucial role in the investigation of every Major Crime and Homicide investigation conducted by the Investigative Bureau. Below are some of the most notable investigations during the calendar year 2024.

In addition to providing investigative support to all bureaus within the Providence Police Department, members of the Digital Intelligence Unit also aided several of our local, state and federal law enforcement partners including but not limited to:

- Barrington Police Department
- Central Falls Police Department
- Woonsocket Police Department
- Johnston Police Department
- Pawtucket Police Department
- North Providence Police Department
- Warwick Police Department
- Cranston Police Department
- Massachusetts State Police
- Boston, MA Police Department
- Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms
- Drug Enforcement Agency
- United States Secret Service
- Federal Bureau of Investigations



Forensic Cell Phone Extractions: 282

Consent	Search Warrants	PPD / Outside Agency	Total
90	192	261 / 21	282 extractions

Forensic Video Extractions: 390

Cases	Locations	Other	Total
160	351	39	390 extractions

Forensic Computer Extractions: 20

Consent	Search Warrants	Total
12	8	20 Extractions

Database Searches: 700

Flock	Accurint	Leads Online	Total
279	328	93	700 searches

BERLA Vehicular Forensic Extractions: 3

Consent	Search Warrants	Total
0	3	3 Extractions



Youth Services Bureau

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Providence Police has established a strong relationship with local hospitals, group homes, RIPTA, Amtrak, DCYF, and the Rhode Island State Police. We implemented a Memorandum of Understanding to clarify the role of a School Resource Officer.

During the calendar year, the Youth Services Bureau charged 353 juveniles with criminal offenses ranging from Assaults and Disorderly Conduct to ADW, Robbery, and Possession of Prohibited Weapon. The breakdown of those charged:

232 referred to Family Court

13 juveniles were taken directly to Family Court

56 juveniles were remanded to the RITS

27 released pending further investigation (17 Never transported to YSB)

25 juveniles referred to the Juvenile Hearing Board (JHB)

We work with the Juvenile Justice Specialist at the Rhode Island Department of Public Safety. They assist us in ensuring compliance with federal regulations set by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP).

In 2024, the Youth Bureau filed a total of 69 wayward petitions, which were referred to Family Services of Rhode Island (FSRI). Of these, 8 were returned by FSRI due to the juveniles' lack of cooperation with the services provided. Consequently, those cases were submitted to Family Court for further proceedings.

The Providence Police Department works with the Multi-Disciplinary Team, which includes representatives from The Aubin Center, the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF), the Child Advocate's Office, and Day One. During these weekly meetings, the team addresses issues related to child abuse, child neglect, and sexual assaults involving children under the age of eighteen.



Over the years, we have developed great working relationships with outside agencies. These agencies are vital to helping our YSB Detectives provide resources to juveniles and their families. Some of the agencies are:

- The Child Protection Team at The Aubin Center (Hasbro Children’s Hospital)
- Hasbro Children’s Hospital (ER)
- Family Services of RI
- The Providence Center
- The Providence Public School Department (Jason Menard)
- Department of Children, Youth, and Families
- RI Department of Health (Safe Sleep)
- Tides Family Services
- Juvenile Justice Committee



Narcotics and Organized Crime Bureau – NOC

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The primary mission of the Narcotics Bureau is to conduct investigations into subjects distributing narcotics in the City of Providence. Our Bureau targets high level narcotics distributors to street level dealers. The Narcotics Bureau tries to focus on investigations targeting some of the most dangerous individuals in our City who are known to possess and carry firearms and who have gang affiliations. We believe targeting these most violent criminals in our City can help reduce the overall violent crime rate and improve the quality of life for the citizens who reside and visit our City. Our Bureau also investigates and enforces illegal prostitution activities within the City. In addition to our own self-initiated proactive investigations, the Unit is also tasked with handling narcotics “turnovers” from the entire Police Department which includes testing narcotics, processing and sending all narcotics to the State of RI Toxicology Lab, the charging of every narcotics arrest in the department, and then carrying the associated CIF packages ensuring successful prosecutions of all arrests.

2024 Year End vital statistics listed below:

- Narcotics Investigators made 154 arrests from their investigations
- Narcotics Investigators charged a total of 460 arrested individuals from department-wide cases (and carried arrest packages for these cases)
- Narcotics Investigators executed 218 search warrants
- Narcotics Investigators seized and charged 27 firearms
- Narcotics Investigators seized approximately \$198,237 US Currency
- Narcotics Investigators seized 33 Motor Vehicles pending forfeiture

Some Notable Narcotics Bureau Investigations:

- Conducted Kennedy Plaza Undercover Sweep Operation arresting and charging 22 different drug dealers with Unlawful Delivery of Cocaine.
- Providence Police led an investigation while working with HIDTA Task Force at 59 and 73 Thackery St Providence RI which resulted in charging a subject with a number of narcotics and firearms violations. Police seized the following: 33 Kilograms of Fentanyl, 4.5 Kilograms of Cocaine, 3.3 Kilograms of Methamphetamine, 16 pounds of Marijuana, 4 handguns, multiple high capacity magazines, and assorted calibers of ammunition.



Organized Crime & Intelligence Bureau (OCIB)

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The Organized Crime & Intelligence Bureau's (OCIB) primary objectives are to investigate and dismantle advanced criminal organizations involved in large scale drug trafficking, firearm related crimes, money laundering organizations as well as gambling, fraud and any other crimes that violate Statutes of the Rhode Island General Laws. These detectives utilize various methods of investigation to include countless hours of surveillance, information elicited from confidential informants and confidential sources, undercover operations as well as data and intelligence analysis. In addition, many members of the unit are assigned and duly sworn task force officers to various federal law enforcement agencies and routinely network with federal law enforcement to accomplish the mission and goals of our unit as well as assist federal law enforcement in various investigations in and outside the State of Rhode Island.

In 2024 OCIB conducted dozens of separate investigations utilizing the aforementioned methods of investigation and were able to close out some of these cases by executing search warrants and making arrests. Some of these investigations are still ongoing and considered long-term cases.

Year End Stats for OCIB

Total Arrests– 24

Search Warrant cases executed– 18

Total Narcotics Seized – 49,259g (49.3KG)

(Fentanyl/Cocaine/Heroin/Methamphetamine) – 24,303.8g (24.3KG)

Marijuana – 25,055.5g (25KG)

U.S. Currency Seized – 1,293,023.00

Firearms Seized – 25

Total Complaints made against OCIB – 0



Bureau of Criminal Identification – BCI

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BCI conducted over 902 background checks for employment based upon name and date of birth.

BCI Fingerprinted 133 Civilians

BCI Generated \$5,985 in fingerprint services.

Booked and Processed 4,634 prisoners.

BCI responded to 10 Murder Cases.

BCI responded to 5 Suicide Cases.

BCI responded to 30 of the Cities 59 Overdose Deaths.

- 184 Cases were submitted to the Rhode Island Department of Health for DNA Testing
- 97 Cases were submitted to the Rhode Island State Crime Lab for trace evidence/firearms/ fingerprint verification.
- Detectives acquired 37 DNA identifications.
- 416 casings were collected from firearm related crime scenes.
- 290 Total Case Entries into the ATF NIBIN LEADS Program

Total Hits from RIAG Acquisitions: 77.

- BCI Detectives testified and presented evidence in over 20 major cases.
- The FARO 3D Scanner was approximately used 4 times.
- 2,864 Criminal Records were expunged.



Special Victims Unit – SVU

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Domestic Violence Cases:

1441 Total cases reported **195** total CIF Packages

283 Total Felony and Misdemeanor Arrest Warrants were obtained by the SVU Members.

Sexual Assault Cases:

198 total cases reported **61** total CIF packages **11** Grand Jury

Sex Offender unit:

542 total active and incarcerated sex Offenders Registered in Providence

Financial Crimes:

843 total cases reported **33** total CIF packages



Administrative Division

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The Administrative Division oversees the general day-to-day operations of the department while managing the budget and fiscal operations. The division is commanded by a Major who reports to the Deputy Chief of Police. In addition, it manages the following units:

ACCREDITATION
HUMAN RESOURCES
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
PROSECUTION
MUNICIPAL COURT.
PROPERTY EVIDENCE SUPPLY
AUTOMOTIVE
WEAPONS BUREAU
HOMLEAND SECURITY/ EXECUTIVE SECURITY
MARINE UNIT
SPECIAL RESPONSE UNIT
ANIMAL CONTROL
POLICE ACADEMY & TRAINING BUREAU
RECORDS BUREAU



K-9 Unit

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The Providence Police Department is currently staffed with five Canine handlers each having a canine assigned to them. The department uses both single and dual-purpose canines. Three separate breeds are used including Labrador Retriever, Belgian Malinois and German Shepard's. All of the canines are currently trained at the Rhode Island k-9 academy and hold National and State certifications. Our canines are held to the highest standards and train on a regular basis conducting 24 hours of in service training every month. They are provided with regular medical checkups and vaccinations. Their duties include searching for explosives and firearm recovery, narcotics detection, crime scene evidence recovery, locating missing persons, tracking and building searches. The Canines keen sense of smell has proved to be a tremendous asset to the Police Department. The unit provided numerous K-9 sweeps and security for all major events throughout the City of Providence. (City hall security, Waterfire, road races, parades, festivals, Pride fest, PVD festival and concerts Roger Williams Park.). Dignitary escorts and security K-9 sweeps for United States cabinet members. Several canine visits at community events. K-9 sweeps LPG tankers Providence Port. All four explosives dogs were requested by Newport Police Department to assist with the 2024 US Senior Open Tour at Newport Country Club. Lastly, on two separate occasions the K-9 unit assisted the FBI unit with K-9 sweeps for FBI director Merrick Garland.

In the 2024 calendar year the k-9s and handlers responded and assisted with over 350 calls assisting the uniform division, detective division and several outside agencies.

- 5 Homicides
- 8 shootings
- 10 Explosive call outs
- 10 suspicious packages
- 11 Building searches
- 7 Area searches
- 5 Article searches evidence/weapons etc.
- 15 Tracking of suspects
- 20 Firearms recovered
- 3 Swat call outs
- 5 disturbance calls
- 85 plus search warrants
- 20.1 kilos of cocaine
- 54.2 Kilos of Fentanyl
- 1.2 kilos Heroin
- 3 kilos of methamphetamine
- Several thousands of dollars during the course of search warrants



Animal Control

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The mission of the Providence Animal Control Division is to protect the health and safety of our residents and their pets, provide positive influence with progressive leadership and education, and continue to engage the hearts and minds of the community to help all animals. Currently, the Animal Control Division practices a low risk euthanasia philosophy of healthy adoptable animals and will continue to improve the live release rate of shelter animals via adoptions, returning strays to their owners, transferring animals to rescues, TNR and treating medical cases.

In 2023 there were 3724 calls for service. In 2024 there were 2729 calls for service, a decrease of 995 calls attributed to shortage of animal control officers and vehicle accessibility.

Animal Bite Investigations	All Other Calls for Service
130	2599

TOTAL = 2729

Providence Animal Control is tasked with housing and caring for stray dogs, impounded dogs via owner arrest or abandonment, rabies quarantine and owner surrenders. Animal Control is also tasked with removing deceased dogs in public areas.

DOGS: A total of 599 dogs came through Providence Animal Control via incoming strays, owner surrenders, arrests, evictions or transferred in from other shelters. Of the 599 incoming dogs, 477 were adopted/returned to owner or transferred out to other shelters or rescues; 68 of the incoming dogs were euthanized. Of the 68 dogs euthanized, 14 of those dogs were deemed unadoptable, 40 of the dogs euthanized were owner intended and 14 of those dogs were too injured or sick to save. A total of 25 dogs remain at the shelter and are carried over into 2025. A total of 29 deceased dogs were removed from the roadway.

DOG INTAKE TOTAL 607				DOG OUTCOME				
Strays	Owner Surrender	Other	DOA	Returned to Owner	Adopted	TOT Rescue or Other Shelter	Euthanized Per Shelter/Owner/ Too injured/sick to save	Still in Care
387	57	126	29	277	20	180	14/40/14 = 68	25

Providence Animal Control is tasked with housing stray injured, orphaned juvenile, owned abandoned cats or hoarded cats and owner surrenders. Additionally, Animal Control is tasked with collecting deceased cats from public roadways.



CATS: A total of 840 cats came through Providence Animal Control via incoming sick or injured strays, owner surrender or other issues, transfer in from other shelters and kittens born in the shelter. Of the 840 incoming cats, 630 were adopted/returned to owner or transferred out to other shelters/rescues or TNR'd; 51 of the incoming cats were euthanized. Of the 51 cats euthanized, 44 of those cats were too sick or injured to save. A total of 129 deceased cats were removed from the roadway and 30 were carried over into 2025.

CAT INTAKE TOTAL 813					CAT OUTCOME				
Strays: Adult/ Kittens	Owner Surrender	Transferred in from other Shelters	Other: Adults/ Kittens	DOA	Returned to Owner/TNR	Adopted	TOT Rescue or Other Shelter	Euthanized Per Shelter/Owner/ Too injured/sick to save	Still in Care
199/85	138	6	267/16	137	234/1	87	308	44/5/2=51	30

Free Spay and Neuter Program for Cats: A total of 211 cats were spayed and neutered through the “Gimme Shelter” Program. PAC TNR'd a total of 1 community cat in 2024. Only one of the owned cats was too sick to save. Providence Animal Control is the *only* municipal shelter in Rhode Island to have a program like “Gimme Shelter” dedicated to owned and feral cats.

Owned Providence Cats spayed and Neutered	Feral Cats TNR'd, Euth/too sick or injured				Total
Owned	TNR				211
209	1		1		

Wildlife: A total of 135 wild and miscellaneous animals came through Providence Animal Control including, hawks, hens, domestic and wild rabbits/bunnies, racoons, groundhogs, opossums and other animals. It is imperative that PAC work with wildlife rehabilitators in the City by rescuing, capturing and transporting wild animals to local rehabbers for evaluation.



Accreditation Unit

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Commanding Officer

The Accreditation Bureau is comprised of two sworn members - Commanding Officer Lt. Christopher Lourenco, a 23-year veteran of the Providence Police Department (the “Department”); and Detective Matthew Mulligan, also a 23-year veteran of the Department.

The Bureau’s main responsibility is to ensure the Department's compliance with the professional law enforcement standards that have been established by both the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies® (CALEA), an international law enforcement agency accrediting body, and the Rhode Island Police Accreditation Commission (RIPAC), the State's law enforcement agency accrediting body. The Accreditation Bureau was also called upon to perform numerous projects and tasks in 2024, including but not limited to obtaining documentation for City Law Department and APRA requests and completing State and Federal surveys.

In 2024 the Bureau completed its third year of CALEA's new four-year reaccreditation cycle format, which includes yearly electronic audit. In October 2024, the Department underwent its third yearly CALEA electronic audit, at which time it was determined that the Department was fully in compliance with all reviewed standards, thus continuing to demonstrate the Department's unwavering commitment to professionalism and service to the community. Currently the Accreditation Bureau is preparing for the fourth year CALEA on-site audit.



Human Resources Bureau

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The Human Resources Bureau, Administrative Division is a full-service oriented bureau dealing with numerous aspects of administration, including but not limited to: Recruitment; Department Hiring; Department Separations; Injured on Duty; Light Duty; Long-term Sick; Subpoenas/Summonses; Fit for Duty Evaluations; Personnel Records Management; Uniform Bids & Specs and Distribution; Mail Collection and Distribution, Education benefits, and various day to day personnel functions. There is one Civilian employee, Human Resources Coordinator.

Employment Hiring

The 72nd Providence Police Academy commenced on March 25, 2024 and graduated on September 7, 2024. Three lateral transfers were hired in 2024, one in January, one in February, and one in June. Recruitment process for the 73rd Providence Police Academy began in August of 2024 and continued throughout November of 2024. Prospective candidates completed the Physical Agility Testing and the Written Test in December of 2024. The 73rd recruitment process is being carried into Spring of 2025 with an academy of 40 expected to graduate early Fall, 2025.

Department Promotions

The Human Resources Bureau coordinated a promotional ceremony on January 26, 2024 promoting one Deputy Chief, four Sergeants, and six Detectives. The Human Resource Bureau also coordinated a promotional ceremony on November 7, 2024 promoting two Captains, four Lieutenants, six Sergeants, and nine detectives. The Department promoted one Deputy Chief, two Captains, four Lieutenants, ten Sergeants and fifteen Detectives (regular, BCI, and YSB) during the calendar year 2024.

Department Separations

During calendar year 2023, Human Resources received and processed 35 requests for Retirement claims, including Regular Retirements, Accidental Disabilities, and Resignations:

Year	Regular Retirement	Resignation	Termination	Death	Accidental Disability	Ordinary Disability	Totals
2024	12	2	0	0	1	0	15

Subpoenas / Summonses

During calendar year 2024, the Human Resources Bureau received and processed a total of 101 subpoenas and summonses, with a total of \$550.00 collected as service fees.



Police Uniforms & Equipment

Uniform and Equipment vouchers were processed for and distributed to PPD personnel including: 445 Police Officers; 21 Parking Enforcement Officers; 6 Animal Control Officers; 14 Customer Service Clerks; 3 Park Rangers; and 9 Civilian Detention Officers. The Human Resources Bureau also replaced expired ballistic vests, totaling approximately \$147,250.

Injured on Duty / Long-Term Sick

During calendar year 2023, the Human Resources Bureau processed 87 Injured on Duty (IOD) claims, ranging from a simple Remained on Duty- No Medical Treatment to Retirement Board Action. During the year, 11 Independent Medical exams were ordered including one arbitrating medical exam.

Month	IOD Claims	IME's	ARB's	Light Duty
Jan	6	1	0	1
Feb	9	0	0	1
Mar	7	0	0	1
April	5	1	0	0
May	10	2	0	0
June	4	0	0	0
July	11	1	0	0
Aug	12	1	0	1
Sept	6	1	0	0
Oct	11	1	0	2
Nov	10	1	0	0
Dec	5	1	1	0
Totals	87	10	1	6

Education Benefits

During the calendar year 2024, the Human Resource Bureau processed school vouchers and book receipts for 32 officers, totaling \$160,349.09.



Prosecution Bureau

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For the 2024 calendar year, the Juvenile Prosecution office prosecuted the following cases:

Wayward/Delinquent Offenses: 336

Emergency Arraignments: 99

Probable Cause Hearings: 48

Trials: 19

Warrants: 39

2024 Family Court Juvenile Prosecution Statistics				
Month	Emergency Arraignments	Probable Cause Hearings	Trials	Warrants
January	19	2	2	13
February	13	8	3	2
March	8	3	1	1
April	7	3	2	2
May	7	3	1	2
June	3	1	0	1
July	2	1	1	1
August	9	7	2	4
September	5	6	1	2
October	7	3	1	2
November	13	5	2	4
December	7	2	0	5
Total:	100	44	16	39



Property, Evidence and Supply Bureau

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Property, Evidence and Supply Bureau execute the daily operations within the bureau. This consists of receiving general property and evidence, facilitating the return of property/evidence, and purging said evidence from disposed cases or abandoned property, ensuring the custody and recording of all narcotics, as well as cash and asset forfeitures. Officers within the bureau maintain an accurate record of all off-road vehicles seized by the department, and coordinate the transfer of Unclaimed Property to the State of RI. Finally, they administer the ordering and delivery of all the office supplies for the department through W.B. Mason with a budget of \$25,000.

During 2024, the PESB:

*Managed a total of \$1,513,279.51 in cash along with 24 automobiles, seized pending forfeiture from various units.

* Received a total of 24 ATVs and dirt bikes.

* Returned a total of 11 ATV's and dirt bikes to their owner per Municipal Court.

*Conducted one ATV / Dirt Bike destruction (5/21/24) where a total of 84 off-road vehicles were destroyed.

*Conducted a drug burn at Reworld on 9/16/24 where 1019 items (180 lbs.) from adjudicated criminal cases and control buy narcotics were destroyed.

*Conducted a metal crush at Sims Metals on 10/08/24 of property consisting of knives / blades, cell phones, computers, bb guns and various other items of metal.

*Turned over \$73,774.00 to the State of Rhode Island Unclaimed Property from 32 cases where money was unclaimed.



Weapons/Homeland Security Bureau

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The Weapons and Homeland Security Bureau currently consists of multiple different bureaus under its umbrella. The weapons and homeland bureau consist of four officers. Attached are three officers assigned to Homeland Security/K9/City Hall Security, and four officers assigned to the Executive Protection Detail.

The primary mission of the Weapons and Homeland Security Bureau is to develop and deliver use of force trainings for all members of the department. Members of this unit will continually seek out and identify the latest technological, legal, and training trends in order to ensure we are fielding the best equipment possible while developing and delivering realistic and relevant training to all of our officers and command staff.

Throughout the past year our office has assisted in numerous trainings as well as provided site assessment and security for dignitary visits in the City.



Marine Unit/Dive Team

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The Providence Police Marine Unit is comprised of one commanding officer and 11 sworn officers. The Marine Unit currently has two vessels attached to its fleet. The first is the 27' SAFE Boat, which is an all-season aluminum boat capable of operating in various types of weather and bodies of water. This past year our unit was able to gain approval for an engine overhaul which upgraded our older engines to new Yamaha 300's (x2). These will be installed in the spring of 2025. Our second vessel, a 19' North Coast center console, was recently outfitted with a new Yamaha 150hp engine and digital controls. The upgrades to both these vessels should keep us fully functional for years to come with the many details, events, and enforcement.

In addition to port security, the marine unit also worked in other capacities. Since 2021 the unit has worked in conjunction with RIDOT, Vinagro, and Barletta construction as they continue the pier/steel installation and remaining bridge demo for the Henderson Bridge project. This work finally came to completion during the month of October 2024. This past November the marine unit was also tasked with maintaining safety and security for the demolition of the recently closed Washington Bridge along the Seekonk river. This work will continue through March of 2025. Once the rebuild begins in summer of 2025 the marine unit will again be tasked with safety and security of that area and will be re-activated until the build is complete.

During the busy summer months, for harbor safety and security, our 19' vessel was also placed into service for all Waterfire events as well as the July 4th weekend and other smaller festivals. The marine unit was also at ready status for any calls for service. This year we responded to multiple calls for assistance on the waterfront with local mariners in distress. We also responded to more serious calls for service. During the late summer months, the Marine unit was also able to assist Portsmouth PD with security during their Aquapalooza event. We did experience an uptick in jet ski/small vessel violations on the water as the warmer weather arrived. We took several complaints from local residents, business owners, and community stakeholders and with that information we were able to put a plan into place for immediate enforcement. We addressed these issues during key weekend hours and were able to deter quite a bit of this conduct along the waterfront by issuing several violations to key repeat offenders.

2024 was another busy and productive year for our unit as we worked tirelessly to keep all mariners and others safe on the Providence waterfront. We are looking forward to continued training with the United States Coast Guard to keep us in line with their government standards. All members of the unit who have recently been NASBLA certified in a recently acquired Boat Crew Member Course will be involved in two more NASBLA training events in the spring. We also hope to coordinate with some other state local agencies for training.



Training Bureau and Training Academy/Recruitment

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2024 was a successful year for the Providence Police Department Training Bureau/ Training Academy. The highlight for the Bureau was the graduation of 34 recruits from the 72nd Training Academy in September. This was the culmination of 24 weeks of rigorous and high-quality training provided by the talented and committed staff members of the Providence Police Training Academy.

Upon Completion of the 72nd Training Academy, the Training Division collaborated with the Community Relations Bureau and Human Resources to recruit for the 73rd Training Academy which is expected to begin in June 2025. The Bureau manned recruiting booths at numerous community events, college career fairs, road races etc. We participated in the Open House at Central Station and hosted four applicant workshops where we informed potential applicants what to expect from the hiring process and instructed them how to prepare for the physical agility test. This resulted in a total of 374 applicants for the next training academy. We held a physical agility test and a written test and are preparing for 132 applicants to participate in oral boards in January.

The Training Bureau is responsible for the majority of the training for both the civilian and sworn employees of the department. These trainings consist of both classroom instruction and Power DMS online trainings. We hosted a new Sergeant's Orientation program in which 10 people participated. We facilitated a DUI Re-certification in conjunction with the RI Department of Health. We conducted a Cell Block Attendant Training. We also completed the ICAT- Integrating Communications, Assessment and Tactics in- service training which was started in 2023.

We also sent officers to trainings outside the PPD, to include the Rhode Island Municipal Police Academy, Brown University, LOCKUP, and assorted private training entities providing a wide variety of valuable trainings and professional development courses. We also sent officers to assist other agencies with their trainings, specifically Defensive Tactics. This collaboration has allowed us to build strong relationships with outside agencies and training academies/divisions.

Additionally, our staff administered a Safety in the Field training to approximately 20 Family Service Social workers/clinicians. Training for situational awareness as well as a safety plan for these individuals who ride with police daily.

The Training Bureau also conducted training for two lateral transfer Officers in 2024.



Records Bureau

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The Records Bureau is comprised of a Sergeant and four civilian clerks who are responsible for maintaining and dispensing police department records and reports in accordance with the Rhode Island Access to Public Records Act, or APRA. The Records Bureau works daily with members of the City of Providence Law Department as well as members of the media and the general public in disseminating this information and also fills requests when received by court issued subpoena.

The Records Bureau also works closely with local and regional colleges and universities in providing up to date information for federally mandated “Clery” requests, which includes location specific crime data for these entities.

The responsibilities and accomplishments of the Bureau are as follows:

- Collecting and maintaining secure custody of all police reports, including accounting for missing reports.
- Representing the Department in federal, state, and local legal proceedings regarding records in custody.
- Abiding by the stringent legal and managerial procedures relating to the expungement of records.
- Releasing incident reports to public and private entities while adhering to public records access laws (APRA).
- Working with software-based reporting systems such as AEGIS™, CRASH™, and the Incident Based Reporter (IBR/UCR).
- Collecting and accounting of payments received for copies of records and reports. In 2024, the Department generated Cash at window \$6,097.33, Lexis Nexis Checks \$75,265.00 mailed checks \$13,723.25 for a total of \$95,085.58.
- Interfacing with the Department’s Information Technologies (IT) Department so as to ensure the seamless functioning of electronic reporting systems.
- Compiling the annual “Clery Report”, which is a statistical data set extrapolated from the Department’s electronic incident reporting systems. The Clery Report is requested by local colleges and universities, and provides information pertaining to specific crimes that have occurred either upon or within the vicinity of their various properties within the City. The Records Bureau CO compiled 43 unique Clery reports in 2024. 44 Subpoenas and 685 Apra Requests.
- Compiling Hate-Crime data for analysis.
- Auditing UCR Part I and Part II criminal offenses in a manner consistent with UCR/IBR guidelines.
- Ensuring that crime data is forwarded to the State UCR Coordinator in a timely manner, thus ensuring the publication of the data in the annual “Crime in Rhode Island” report.



HONOR GUARD

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Providence Police Department Honor Guard History

The Providence Police Honor Guard, originally called the Color Guard, was founded in 1946. In the late 1980s, Captain John Glancy, after a trip to Washington D.C., was inspired by other departments who had adopted a more formal dress code. When Captain Glancy returned from Washington D.C., he changed the uniform to what is presently worn by our officers today. The uniform currently worn is a dress blue blouse, boots, breeches, and two types of ceremonial lanyards. One lanyard is used for parades and ceremonies, while the second lanyard is used for funerals and memorials.

Originally, the unit's main function was to march in parades. This would change on Thursday, February 3, 1994, the day Sergeant Steven Shaw was killed in the Line of Duty. The Honor Guard went from doing mostly ceremonial events to now laying a brother officer to rest. Today, the unit represents this historical capital city at parades around the state and country.

Each member of the Honor Guard understands the significance of their role in paying tribute to honorees with humility and respect. The Honor Guard displays professionalism, discipline, precision, and empathy without compromise at all services that it attends.



2024 Crime Statistics

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CALLTYPE	2024		CALLTYPE	2024
Traffic Stop	10357		Suicide Attempt	171
Traffic Accident	8967		Missing Person - Adult	169
Check Well Being	8025		Sudden Death/DOA	166
Alarm - Business	5613		Fraud	164
Keep the Peace	5526		Lost Plate	149
Dispersal	5118		Narcotics Violation	138
Loud Music/Party	4811		Missing Person -	134
Officer Investigation	4244		Robbery	126
Suspicious Person/Activity	4188		Dispersal - Crowd	114
Illegal Parking	3637		Unregistered Vehicle	105
Person Annoyed	3176		Stabbing	104
911 Hang Up/Open Line	2940		Animal Bite	96
Animal Complaint	2695		Harassing Phone Calls	75
Disturbance - Public	2020		Arrest	70
Larceny	1573		Open Door/Window	69
Refusing to Leave	1552		Overdose	61
Assault	1534		Break in Progress	60
Assist	1526		Disorderly Conduct	58
Alarm - Residential	1485		License Violation	51
Pedestrian Stop	1478		Lost Article	48
Juvenile Matter	1465		Try & Locate	47
Safety Hazard	1377		Holding Subject	44
Disturbance - Domestic	1326		Evading Payment	42
Threats	1206		Storm Hazard - Streets	42



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CALLTYPE	2024	CALLTYPE	2024
Traffic Accident - with	1035	Vehicle Pursuit	40
Abandoned Vehicle	897	Industrial Accident	39
Malicious Mischief	594	Shooting	37
Stolen Auto	584	Storm Hazard - Trees	30
Medical Aid	571	Storm Hazard - Utility	20
Property Damage	567	911	17
MHI	521	Accident	17
Notification	464	Graffiti	15
Auto Towed	460	Bomb Threat	14
Trespassing	450	Liquor Law Violation	12
Alarm - Panic	421	Prostitution	12
Missing Person - Juvenile	412	Carjacking	9
Traffic Code Violation	411	Cashing Bad Check	9
Article Found	362	Handbag Snatch	8
Pedestrian Struck	357	Investigation	6
Assist Fire Department	344	ALS	5
B & E Report	342	BLS	5
Shoplifting	320	Documentation	5
Intoxicated Subject	298	Home Invasion	5
Simple Assault	286	Aggravated Assault	4
Shots Fired	274	Animal Hospital	4
Stolen Auto - Recovered	261	Abduction/Kidnapping	3
Alarm - Ringing	241	Officer Needs	3
Lock Out	213	Vehicle Crash	3
Violation Protective Order	211	Stripping an Auto	2
Person with a Gun	210	Wires Down	2
Sexual Assault	210	Elevator Emergency	1
Exposing	207	HWY-AA	1
Fire	181	Non-Structure Fire	1
Fireworks	179	Still Box	1
Auto/ATV Racing	177	Weapon Violation	1





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Comparison of Selected Part I Crime by Year Since 2019

CITYWIDE

Crime Type	Offense Category	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	% chg. 2022-2023	5 Year Weighted Avg.	
									Total	% Change - 2023
Violent Crime	Homicide	14	18	23	8	13	11	-15%	14	-21%
	Homicide W Firearm	5	14	21	6	11	7	-36%	12	-42%
	Homicide Other	9	4	2	2	2	4	100%	3	33%
	Sexual Offenses, Forcible	218	147	164	163	163	133	-18%	165	-19%
	Forcible Rape	124	73	78	80	90	72	-20%	85	-15%
	Forcible Sodomy	9	4	6	5	3	6	100%	5	20%
	Forcible w/ Object	4	1	2	3	2	2	0%	2	0%
	Forcible Fondling	81	69	78	75	68	53	-22%	73	-27%
	Robbery - Total	266	193	160	148	127	123	-3%	157	-22%
	Robbery W Firearm	72	61	44	40	49	41	-16%	49	-16%
	Robbery Other	194	132	116	108	78	82	5%	109	-25%
	Aggravated Assault - Total	564	590	521	473	491	448	-9%	510	-12%
	Aggravated Assault W Firearm	111	129	136	94	100	69	-31%	110	-37%
	Aggravated Assault Other	453	461	385	379	391	379	-3%	400	-5%
Total Violent Crime	1,062	948	868	792	794	715	-10%	847	-16%	
Property Crime	Burglary	765	695	538	440	386	338	-12%	497	-32%
	MV Theft	526	584	706	736	517	457	-12%	623	-27%
	Larceny from MV	2,077	1,487	1,877	1,964	1,193	857	-28%	1,634	-48%
	Larceny All Other	2,502	2,013	1,917	2,029	1,853	2,030	10%	1,977	3%
	Pick Pocket	15	5	13	9	12	13	8%	11	18%
	Purse Snatch	17	15	7	5	7	6	-14%	8	-25%
	Shoplifting	395	272	196	225	215	363	69%	233	56%
	Larceny from Building	360	188	170	236	187	298	59%	208	43%
	Larceny Other	1,715	1,533	1,531	1,554	1,432	1,350	-6%	1,517	-11%
	Total Property Crime	5,870	4,779	5,038	5,169	3,949	3,682	-7%	4,731	-22%

As of 1/14/2025 - All figures are subject to further analysis and revision



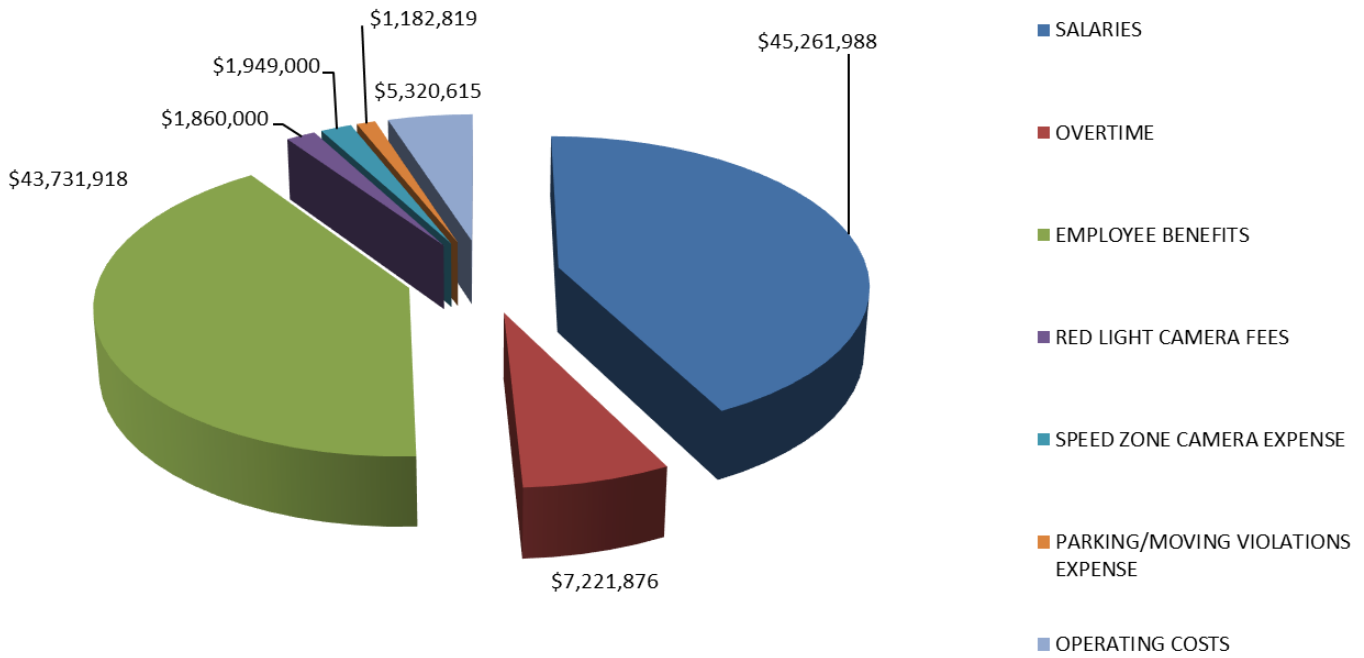
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Budget & Grants

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Honoring Fallen Members of the Providence Police Department

"We will never forget."



Sergeant Maxwell Dorley

EOW: Thursday, April 19, 2012

Cause: Automobile accident



Detective Sergeant James Lloyd Allen

EOW: Sunday, April 17, 2005

Cause: Gunfire



Sergeant Cornel Young, Jr.

EOW: Friday, January 28, 2000

Cause: Gunfire (Accidental)



Sergeant Steven M. Shaw

EOW: Thursday, February 3, 1994

Cause: Gunfire



Patrolman Thomas A. Mulvey

EOW: Saturday, September 19, 1931

Cause: Vehicle pursuit



Patrolman James H. O'Brien

EOW: Sunday, February 12, 1928

Cause: Gunfire



Sergeant William A. Flynn

EOW: Sunday, February 12, 1928

Cause: Gunfire



Mounted Patrolman James Cavanaugh

EOW: Tuesday, December 26, 1916

Cause: Animal related



Patrolman John F. Brennan

EOW: Sunday, April 2, 1911

Cause: Gunfire

