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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Dear Citizens,

The Griffin Police Department is proud to release our 2017 Annual Report. I hope that you find the information contained in the report both informative and useful.

The Annual Report reviews the activities, programs and services the department provides to both our citizens and visitors to our community. The men and women of the Griffin Police Department strive to provide the best possible law enforcement services to our community. The officers and staff are some of the best trained law enforcement professional in the State of Georgia.

The Griffin Police Department continues to work to reduce Part 1 Crimes. Part 1 crimes are those crimes identified by the Federal Bureau of Investigation as our most serious crimes; Crimes Against Persons (Murder, Forcible Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault) and Crimes Against Property (Burglary, Larceny, Motor Vehicle Theft, Arson). As you review the department's crime statistics, you will note that in 2017, the City of Griffin experienced -6,12% reduction in Part 1 crimes from 2016) while at the same time the overall calls for service in the city decreased by 4.56%. (compared to 2016). Additionally, the department clearance rates exceed the national clearance rates for Part 1 crimes.

The Griffin Police Department participates in several community events each year. The Citizen's Police Academy, National Night Out, Citizen's Government Academy; CSI Kids Academy, Shop with a cop are just a few of the programs the department participated in 2017.

Please take the time to review all of the information in our Annual Report, I believe that you will be proud of the work that your police department does for our community.

I hope this report is meaningful for our citizens and leaders and I look forward to seeing what great things we as a community can do in the future to improve our quality of life.

Thanks You for Being our Partner in Our Mission to make Griffin a Great Place To Work, Live and Play!

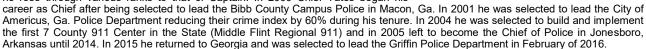
God Bless.

Michael Yates Chief of Police



Chief Yates has 29 years of experience in Law Enforcement, 19 of those years in Command Positions and 16 Years of experience as the Chief of Police in agencies ranging in size from 30 to 160 sworn officers. Chief Yates has specialized in numerous areas focusing on Organizational Change, Narcotics, Gang Suppression, Organized Crime, High Risk Operations, Highway Drug Interdiction, Crime Reduction and Gang Prevention Strategies. He has a proven track record of reducing Part I Crime significantly and bringing stability and purpose to every organization he has led

Chief Yates began his career as a Deputy Sheriff in Henry County, Georgia and then the City of Atlanta police. Later, employed by the Henry County Police Department, he rose through various ranks to that of Captain. In 2000 Chief Yates began his



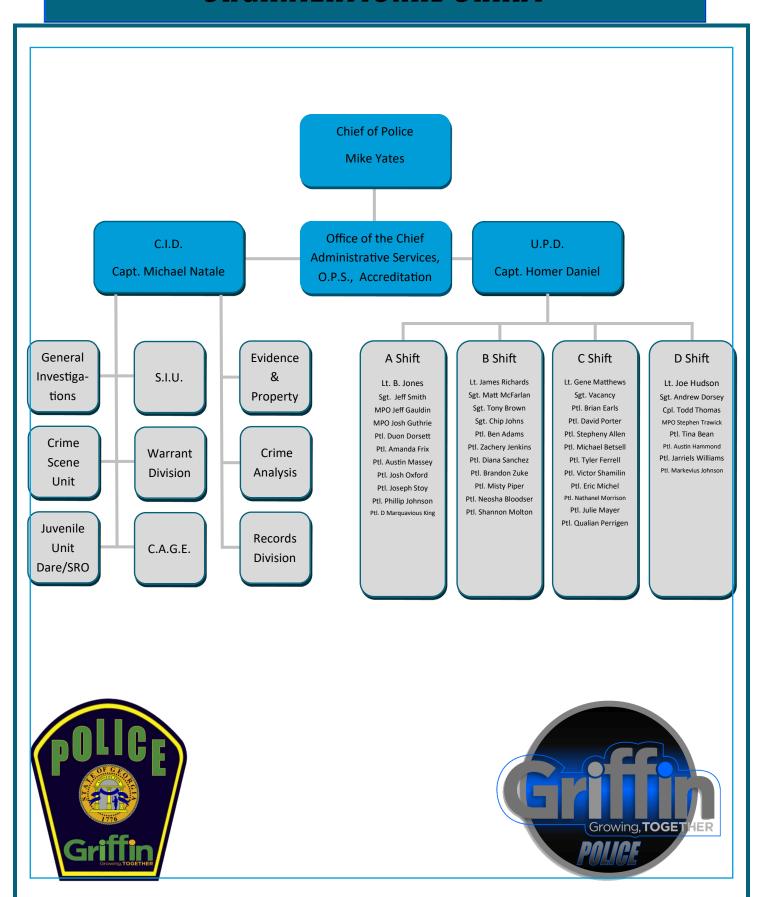
Chief Yates has a BS in Criminal Justice from the University of West Georgia and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Columbus State University. He is a graduate of the Georgia Chiefs of Police Command College, the FBI National Academy (199th Session) and the Arkansas Leader Professional Development Program. Chief Yates is a POST certified instructor and has taught numerous College courses at Arkansas State University. He has over 2000 hours of advanced law enforcement training and holds Advanced and Executive Certifications in multiple states.

Chief Yates was born in Griffin, Georgia and grew up in nearby Henry and Clayton Counties. Chief Yates is married to Nancy, his wife of 26 years and has two sons, Jacob 24, Adam 23.





ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



MISSION STATEMENT/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

MISSION STATEMENT

The City of Griffin Police Department shall strive to provide the citizens of Griffin with the most professional, best trained and most efficient police department in the State of Georgia.

The Griffin Police Department is comprised of approximately 81 sworn officers and 11 civilian support personnel. We serve a daytime population of about 100,000 people, roughly 25,000 of those being citizens residing within the incorporated limits of Griffin, GA.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Griffin Police Department (GPD) continues to strive for excellence in community service once again in 2017. This report is a summation of the department's progress and changes, along with the city's crime data. Crime Activity is broken down into Part 1 and 2 crime categories, as defined by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and then by types of crimes falling under each category. There are 8 crimes that the FBI defines as Part 1 crimes, separated into two categories. They are 1) Violent Crimes against Persons, which consists of: **Murder/Homicide**, **Rape**, **Robbery**, and **Aggravated Assault**; and 2) Crimes against Property, which consists of: **Burglary**, **Larceny/Theft**, **Motor Vehicle Theft** and **Arson**. There are 24 offenses that fall into the category that the FBI defines as Part 2 Crimes, which include: Other Assaults, Forgery, Fraud, and Drug Offenses (to name a few).

In 2017, the department saw a 4.56% decrease in Calls for Service compared to 2016, from 59,220 to 56,517. Traffic Crashes increased by 2.18% compared to 2016, from 1690 to 1727. There were no fatalities reported. Traffic Citations saw a 4.11% increase compared to 2016, from 11,061 to 11,516. Also, Arrests decreased by 7.56% compared to 2016, from 3237 to 2992.

There have been several changes and updates throughout the department in 2017. This report presents this information by division and unit, along with each division and unit's progress for the year.

GRIFFIN CRIME 2016

Part 1 Crime in Griffin has decreased overall, down 20% (185 crimes) from 1648 in 2016 to 1463 in 2017. Crimes Against Persons has decreased overall, down 21% (39 crimes) from 187 in 2016, to 148 in 2017. Crimes Against Property has decreased overall as well, down 10% (107 crimes) from 1461 in 2016, to 1315 in 2017.

*2017 is the first year that the Crime Analysis Plus system has been implemented which may give rise to some statistical differences in methodology used in 2016 and previous years.

The following tables depict the types of Part 1 Crimes reported in 2017 and 2016 as well as the clearance rate for each type of crime.

CRIME ANALYSIS PART ONE CRIMES CLEARANCE

2017						
Incident	Reported	Arrest	Ex. Cleared	Unfounded	Warrants	Suspended
Homicide	2	1	0	0	0	0
Rape	4	3	0	0	0	3
Robbery	39	11	3	2	2	27
Agg. Assault	103	60	14	8	13	42
Burglary	226	29	9	4	2	220
Theft	1034	290	91	49	33	724
Vehicle Theft	52	11	9	11	3	36
Arson	3	1	0	1	0	1
Totals	1463	406	126	75	53	1053

Clearance Rate: 45%
Clearance Rate Persons: 79%
Clearance Rate Property: 41%

2016

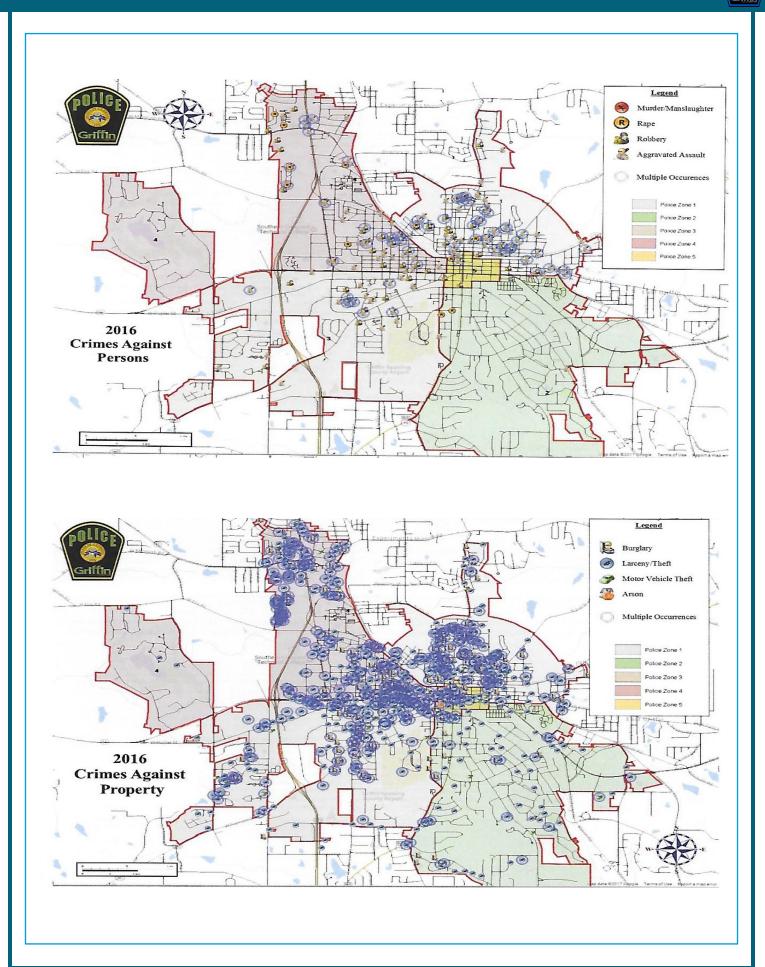
Incident	Reported	Arrest	Ex. Cleared	Unfounded	Warrants	Suspended
Homicide	2	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	15	3	2	0	0	5
Robbery	46	8	4	2	1	28
Agg. Assault	124	50	17	3	11	39
Burglary	212	24	6	2	2	174
Theft	1176	311	93	53	18	644
Vehicle Theft	62	5	8	10	1	35
Arson	11	1	0	1	2	3
Totals	1648	402	130	71	35	961

Clearance Rate: 37%

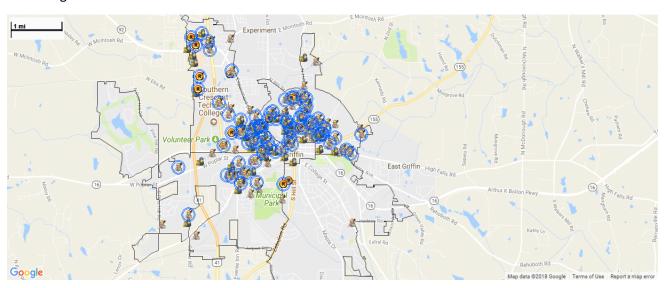
Clearance Rate Persons: 48%

Clearance Rate Property: 49%

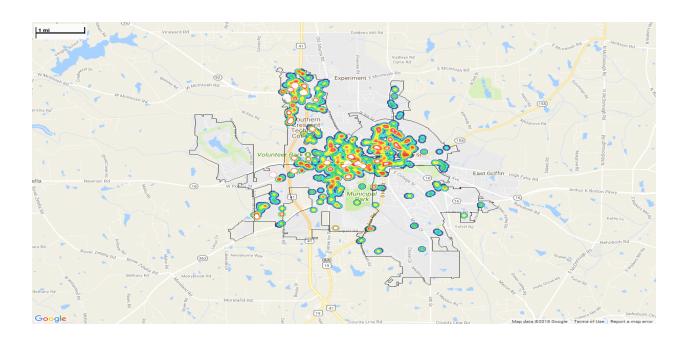
Change 2017 from	-12 64%	+n qq%	-3 17%	+5.33%	+34%	+9 12%
2016	-12.0470	. 0.33 /6	-3.17 /0	1 3.33 /6	. 54 /0	13.12/0



Crimes Against Persons Distribution 2017



Crimes Against Property Distribution 2017



CRIME ANALYSIS PART TWO CLEARANCE FOR 2017

Incident	Reported	Arrest	Ex. Cleared	Unfounded	War- rants	Suspend- ed
Other Assaults	553	203	97	17	37	189
Forgery/Counterfeiting	52	26	4	0	7	15
Fraud	256	27	21	24	7	176
Stolen Property	72	37	4	3	10	7
Criminal Damage/Vandalism	384	73	38	5	9	249
Weapons (carrying, possessing, etc.)	36	25	3	1	0	6
Sex Offenses	48	21	1	5	3	15
Drug Abuse Violations	282	219	0	0	3	2
Family/Children Offenses	100	45	9	7	10	25
DUI	81	81	0	0	0	0
Liquor Laws	4	3	1	0	0	0
Drunkenness	34	34	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	112	103	1	0	3	2
Vagrancy	8	8	0	0	0	0
All Other Part 2	672	189	59	10	10	213
Death Investigations	40	0	33	0	0	3
Missing Persons	51	0	48	2	0	1
Runaways	25	12	13	0	0	0
Totals	2810	1106	332	74	99	901
Clearance Rate:	57%					

Criminal Investigations Division			
Part 1 & 2 Clearances Combined for 2017			
Total	58.71%		

CRIME ANALYSIS PART TWO CLEARANCE FOR 2016

Incident	Reported	Arrest	Ex. Cleared	Unfounded	War- rants	Suspend- ed
Other Assaults	584	228	119	22	30	169
Forgery/Counterfeiting	64	15	10	0	2	34
Fraud	273	23	26	30	6	177
Stolen Property	75	47	3	3	14	6
Criminal Damage/Vandalism	462	51	62	9	1	334
Weapons (carrying, possessing, etc.)	32	24	0	1	0	6
Sex Offenses	46	17	0	6	3	11
Drug Abuse Violations	297	283	0	0	2	1
Family/Children Offenses	59	6	9	15	1	11
DUI	60	60	0	0	0	0
Liquor Laws	2	1	1	0	0	0
Drunkenness	22	22	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	181	155	10	0	3	12
Vagrancy	13	13	0	0	0	0
All Other Part 2	734	435	154	9	69	58
Death Investigations	44	0	29	1	0	9
Missing Persons	61	1	35	13	0	7
Runaways	23	20	3	0	0	0
Other Non-Rpt. Offenses	1,209	1,013	5	2	3	173
Totals	4,241	2,414	466	111	134	1,008
Clearance Rate:	71%					

Criminal Investigations Division			
Part 1 & 2 Clearances Combined for 2016			
Total	61%		

CRIME ANALYSIS

CRIME RATES PER 1,000 POPULATION

In order to provide yet another way of summarizing the distribution of crime in 2017, this section shows Part 1 crime rates for every 1,000 people in our community dating back to 2010. these rates are calculated by the number of crimes divided by the estimated or given population for that year, and multiplied by a power of ten, in this case by 1000, in order to obtain the per 1000 population rate. This approach is widely used by researchers and analysts to provide a more accurate reflection of criminal activity.

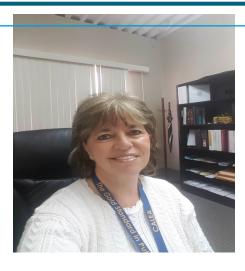




Since 2010, the crime rate per 1000 population has varied for Crimes against persons ranging from 6.43 to 8.52 while the crime rate for Crimes Against Property has ranged from 57.1 to 85.2 per 1000. Similar conditions apply to the change in crime rate per 1000 population from the year 2016 compared to 2017. In the year 2017, the rate of Crimes Against persons decreased more than 10% while the Crimes Against Property dropped by 10% compared to 2016. Crime has been on a downward trend nationally for the last several years (except in cities of more than 250,000) and this trend, along with some of our local initiatives appears to be having a positive impact on or crime rates.







CALEA

Linda Lash/Accreditation Manager

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) was created in 1979 as a credentialing authority through the joint efforts of major law enforcement executive associations throughout the country. The primary purpose of CALEA is to improve the delivery of public safety services by maintaining a comprehensive body of law enforcement standards, establishing and administering an accreditation process, and recognizing professional excellence.

The CALEA accreditation program provides law enforcement agencies with an opportunity to demonstrate compliance with an established set of professional standards on a voluntary basis, and includes and external, objective evaluation of departmental operations.

There are approx. 18, 000 state and local law enforcement agencies in the county. Around 800 agencies participate in the CALEA process and benefit from the collective experience of thousands of law enforcement managers and executives across the nation, and acts as a blueprint for better law enforcement institutions that are efficient, well-equipped and responsive to the communities that they serve.

The Griffin Police Department has been State Certified since 1999 and received its first Commission on Accreditation in 2003. In November 2015, the agency received its 4th Gold Standard Award. The agency is currently preparing for upcoming re-certification for State in June of 2018 and re-certification for CALEA in August of 2019.

Being an Accredited/Certified agency will facilitate an agency's pursuit of professional excellence.

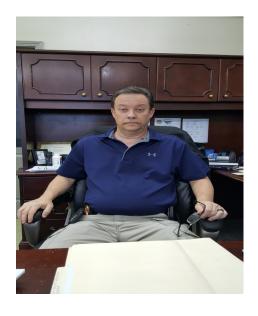
Office of Professional Standards

Police officers have to be solid in their commitment to themselves, their department and their community in order to effectively enforce the law. These actions require intelligence, common sense, and diligence all of which are earned through experience and applied training. Training builds better leaders through self-improvement, self-motivation and self confidence. Sgt. John Hayes who has been employed with the Griffin Police Department since 2001 is currently assigned to the OPS Division and oversees, Hiring and Recruitment and Training.



Training Hours 2017	Training Hours 2016	% Change
6,871	7,852	-12.49%

New Hires	2017	2016	% Change
Males	14	11	27.27
Females	5	2	150%



Sgt. Richard Phillips has been with the Griffin Police Department since 2003 and currently assigned to OPS. Investigating allegations of employee misconduct and to provide the public with a fair and effective means to address their legitimate grievances against the agency or it's employees. Sgt. Phillips also is tasked with conducting budge and financial services and serves as the department's quartermaster. Along with those duties, he is also a member of the department's special response team (SRT) as their Commander

Office of Professional Standards

To ensure the public trust, the Office of Professional Standards under the Office of the Chief was created and works directly from the Office of the Chief and was established to investigate allegations of employee misconduct and to provide the public with a fair and effective means to address their legitimate grievances against the agency or its employees. This office identifies policies and practices that are ineffective or outdated. The OPS is the Department's Internal Affairs Unit.

Employees that are involved in illegal, unethical, or unprofessional conduct are identified and appropriate action is taken to correct the problem. Investigations are intended to protect the reputation of individual employees, the agency, and the public from false or misleading information.

This table shows the Internal Investigations conducted within the last 12 months in comparison with the previous 12 months:

Internal Affairs	2017	2016	% Change
Formal Investigations	9	8	+12.5%
Harassment/Threats	1	1	0%
Conduct/Demeanor	3	2	+50%
Policy/Procedure	3	5	-40%
Use of Force	0	1	-100%
Official Code of Georgia	1	4	-75%
Other	1	0	+100+
Dispositions	2017	2016	
Unfounded	1	0	+100%
Exonerated	0	1	-100%
Sustained	5	5	0%
Not Sustained	1	1	0%
Other/Policy/Warnings	2	1	+100%

These totals reflect miscellaneous reports and informal complaints/inquiries. These reports were assigned to internal affairs when needed to better facilitate customer service. Some IA cases involve multiple officers, classifications of complaints, and/or dispositions.

O.P.S. maintains documentation of all use of force incidents and vehicle pursuits. These are reviewed by supervisors, Internal Affairs, and the Chief. During the CALEA evaluation in 2009, the department was informed of the new way that CALEA wants these reports reviewed. The following are the statistics for use of force and vehicle pursuits for 2016 and 2017.

Pursuits	2017	2016	% Change
Total Pursuits	1	2	-50%
Policy Compliant	1	2	-50%
Policy Non-Compliant	0	0	0%
Accidents	1	0	100%
Injuries: Officer	0	0	0%
Suspects	1	0	100%
Third Party	0	0	0%
Traffic Offense	1	0	100%
Felony	0	0	0%
Misdemeanor	1	0	100%

^{* 2} pursuits ere initiated in 2016 but called off due to a change in departmental policies

Use of Force	2017	2016	% Change
Total Use of Force Incidents	28	18	+55.55%
Firearm	3(all animals)	2(all animals)	+50%
ASP Baton	0	0	0%
OC Spray	0	0	%
Taser: Deployed/Not Deployed	15 deployed	8	+87.5%
Hands	8	15	-46.66%
K-9	2	0	200%
Total Use of Force Arrests	25	32	-21.87%
Complaints	3	16	-81.25%
Felony	7	6	+16.66%

UNIFORM PATROL DIVISION

The Uniform Patrol Division encompasses four shifts of officers to provide 24-hour law enforcement services to the citizens of Griffin. Through directed and preventive patrol, the Uniform Patrol Division seeks to deter street crime and burglaries. Uniform officers are the initial responders to a wide range of calls for service, they conduct preliminary criminal and traffic accident investigations, and process crime scenes while enforcing criminal and traffic laws as well as ordinances enacted by the City of Griffin. Uniform Officers also assist citizens with medical and social problems through crisis intervention and/or referrals to the appropriate state or county agency.

They are also responsible for other events such as holiday enforcement details, community and business presentations, managing school crossing guard assignments and bicycle patrol operations. These officers are engaged in a variety of problem solving initiatives and educational activities based on the department's commitment to community policing.

Captain Homer Daniel is in command of the Patrol Division.



Homer Daniel is a 34 year veteran of the Griffin Police Department. Captain Daniel has a Master's Degree in Public Administration and is a POST Certified Instructor, he has taught numerous Criminal Justice courses at Southern Crescent Technical College. Throughout his tenure at the Griffin Police Department he has served in various departments including, Criminal Investigative Division, School Resource Officer, Community Oriented Policing Program, and currently heads the Uniform Patrol Division. With a strong desire to help children in the community he volunteers at various Spalding County Elementary schools in a reading to students program, as well as; serving as coordinator of the mentoring program with Mt. Moriah **Baptist Church.**







Uniform Patrol Division	2017	2016	% Change
911 Dispatched Calls	32,113	31,116	+3.20%
Officer Initiated Calls	24,401	28,104	-13.17%
Total Calls for Service	56,514	59,220	-4.56%
Suspicious Person/Activity	336	676	-50.29%
Vehicle Unlocks	1,375	581	+136.66%
Roadway Accident Reports	1089	1,104%	-1.63%
Private Property Accident	638	586	+8.87%
Traffic Fatalities	0	1	-100%
Employee Accident Reports	18	22	-18.18%
Traffic/Misdemeanor Citations	9556	6,985	+36.80%
Traffic/Misdemeanor Warnings	1,389	3,109	-55.32%
Code Enforcement Citations	571	514	+11.08%
Total Citations Written	11,516	11,061	+4.11%
Drug Related Arrests	266	376	-29.25%
D.U.I. Arrests	66	69	-4.34%
Total Custodial Arrests	2,992	3,237	-7.56%

Unable to obtain stats from certain reports due to CAD system change in the 911 Center.



UNIFORM PATROL DIVISION

Animal Control

The Griffin Police Department has two full time Animal Control Officers whose responsibility is to enforce animal control ordinance by

- Capturing and impounding animals at large
- Collecting dead animals
- Investigating reports of neglect, animal attacks, cruelty, and other complaints
- Respond to all 911 animal calls for service
- Participate in handling of animals during investigations.

Yearly, animal control handles over 1,000 calls for service



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION AND JUVENILE INVESTIGATIONS

The Criminal Investigations Division, led by Capt. Mike Natale. The CID Division consists of 9 detectives all specializing in certain, areas of crimes. These crimes include: Homicides, Rapes, Robberies, Aggravated Assaults, Burglaries, Thefts, Auto Thefts, Forgery & Frauds, juvenile offenses and any other crimes against an individual or property, as well as Pawnshop Management. C.I.D. is also proficient in electronic surveillance, crime analysis and intelligence gathering.

Investigators of the Police Department are tasked with both following up on reports of criminal acts as well as taking proactive measures to prevent crime from occurring. Detectives are responsible for a variety of case development activity to include locating and recovering stolen property, gathering forensic evidence from crime scenes, processing the forensic evidence, victim/witness interviews, and interrogating criminal suspects. Detectives compile and organize this information into a format easily presented to the courts for prosecution.

In many instances there was more than one arrest made on a case. Furthermore, cases are cleared continually and investigators work closely with other agencies both local and state, such as The Department Of Family And Children Services. Open cases, such as those on missing persons will be closed and ex-cleared as these youths are found and brought back to parental custody.

All juvenile cases are investigated to determine in the preliminary assessment of weather to file formal charges and handle non-criminal behavior such as runaway, curfew, truancy and school skipping.

The agency works along with community leaders to provide intervention programs to assist in neglect and abuse.



Capt. Natale has been with the agency since 1992. He has served in every division throughout his tenure. He has a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Valdosta State University and a Masters degree in Public Administration from Columbus State University. Capt. Natale is currently assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division.

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

The Special Investigations Unit is designed to work narcotics, vice, organized crime, gang activity, and other investigations that may require covert techniques. SIU routinely conducts undercover operations that result in search warrants being executed and arrests made. Often the SIU reaches out to State and Federal agencies to partner in investigations and prosecution. This enhances penalties on crimes such as illegal gun sales and gang activity. The unit works with surrounding Sheriff's offices and police departments on shared suspects that may live in one jurisdiction but commit crimes in the other or both. It is the SIU's mission to efficiently and effectively detect this type of criminal activity and prosecute those arrested to the fullest, resulting in a safer community and higher quality of life for the residents and visitors of Griffin.



SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

2017								
Month	Arrests	Marj.	Cocaine	Currency	Drug Complaints	Guns	Vehs	S/W
January	3	0	0	\$141,606.00		0	0	18
February	3	45.22gg	12.75gg	0		0	0	3
March	7	0.7gg	4.25gg	\$613.00		0	0	6
April	17	12.7gg	33.65gg	\$3,800.00		0	0	7
May	10	55.74gg	9.69gg	\$579.00		0	0	5
June	26	126.65gg	13.54gg	\$3,900.00		3	0	18
July	17	798.96gg	18.42ggms	\$2,631.01		0	0	13
August	14	12.75ggms	0	0		0	0	6
September	17	6gg	4.4gg	\$3,000		5	2	0
October	21	32.22gg	20.96gg	0		1	1	0
November	27	79.69gg	2.8gg	\$2,573.10		1	0	5
December	34	372.88gg	32.28gg	\$3,819.00		1	1	6
Totals	196	1538.11gg	152.74gg	\$162,521.11		11	4	87
Seized marijuana street value (based on \$10 per gram)						\$15,388.80		
Seized cocaine street value (based on \$100 per gram)					\$15,274.00			
Seized Meth. street value (based on \$150 per gram)					\$45,631.00			
Misc. Pills street va	Misc. Pills street value (based on \$15 per pill)					\$2,210.00		
Total street value of drugs seized					\$78,503.80			

2016										
Month	Arrests	Marj.	Cocaine	Currency	Drug Complaints	Guns	Vehs	S/W		
January	10	47.2gg	1.6g	\$563.49	1	0	1	8		
February	22	34.69gg	65.4gg	\$3,400.00	6	0	3	6		
March	16	1872.63g	36.83gg	\$949.00	4	0	1	16		
April	16	52.2g	0	0	11	0	2	13		
May	12	1.0gg	0.1gg	0	4	0	0	8		
June	7	46.4gg	1.4gg	\$925.00	5	0	1	10		
July	5	72.4gg	4.15gg	0	1	0	0	3		
August	57	90.92gg	11.7gg	\$597.00	3	0	3	2		
September	18	1.5gg	0	0	2	0	1	4		
October	25	26.7gg	11.63gg	\$2,281.00	1	3	0	9		
November	1	999.12gg	0	0	1	0	0	8		
December	4	32.29gg	9.90gg	\$1,092.00	1	0	0	2		
Totals	193	3227.05gg	142.71gg	\$9,808.49	40	3	12	89		
Seized marijuana s	Seized marijuana street value (based on \$10 per gram)							\$80,676.25		
Seized cocaine street value (based on \$100 per gram)						\$14,271.00				
Seized Meth. street value (based on \$150 per gram)					\$90,753.00					
Misc. Pills street value (based on \$15 per pill)					\$9,540.00					
Total street value of drugs seized						\$1	95,240.25			



Lieutenant Karen Yancy with "**Gracie**", one of the two department's first therapy dogs. Gracie comforts young victims of crime. Having therapy dogs with victims during interviews, calms the children down feeling more comfortable talking to the police. The dogs and handlers/owners are always available for the victim throughout the whole process.

Occasionally, you will see the therapy dogs attending functions and walking around businesses gathering the attention of those eager to pet them and hear all about their purpose. Since the agency has had Gracie, she has been instrumental in being the comfort to children who have become victims of abuse and was there for them when cases went to trial. "Gracie" was outside the door of the court room as the children left and was the first thing they went to with hugs and comfort.

Gracie, and the other therapy dog, "**Red Chevy**", owned by Sgt. Kelly McKinney have had several hours of specialized training and had to meet strict standards in order to be certified as the Griffin Police Department's therapy dogs.

SRT TEAM



The Griffin Police Department SRT team responds to incidents that are deemed "high risk" or are considered to be outside of the realm in which a normal response would be practical, or is deemed unsafe. Such incidents include hostage situations, barricaded suspects, high risk warrant service, dignitary protection, surveillance, search warrant executions and other tactical situations.



The SRT is not a stand-alone unit; instead its members are assigned to each shift and division where they perform duties as uniformed patrol officers and criminal investigators until they receive a call to respond to a tactical situation.

Team members training includes dynamic and static entry Methods, hostage negotiations and rescue, dignitary protection; Use of force, less than lethal force, full auto weapons, tactical Rifle and counter sniper measures.

The SRT has responded to over 750 tactical operations since its inception in 2006.



C.A.G.E. UNIT

The Criminal Apprehension and Gang Enforcement unit was created in March 2016 to not only combat growing gang problems, but also to help educate the community through partnership and strategic deployments to help eradicate future issues and crime. The unit consists of six officers four of which are certified K-9 handlers. The unit also has two gang investigators. The C.A.G.E. unit provides assistance with the Uniform Patrol Division in the form of assisting with man power as well as city court. We diligently work with the Special Investigations Unit by assisting with search warrants and special operations. As a unit, we assist the Criminal Investigations Unit with criminal investigations and arrest warrants. The C.A.G.E. unit has established a working relationship with the Spalding County Sherriff's Office, Henry County Sherriff's Office, Butt's County Sherriff's Office, the Georgia State Patrol, and the Georgia Department of Probation and Parole. Our ability to work with outside agencies has proven to be a valuable asset not only to the Griffin Community but as well as the surrounding communities. We not only work with local agencies but also work side by side with federal agencies providing assistance with intelligence. The C.A.G.E. unit provides community services by attending community events, performing demonstrations with local schools, churches, and other organizations. We also educate the community about drugs, gangs, and other crimes which affect the community.



	2017 C.A.G.E.			
Gang Arrests	24	Drugs s		
VGCSA Arrests	150	N		
		С		
		N		
Search Warrants Executed	40	0		
Outside Agency Assists	31	Total st		
Vehicles seized	1	**All drug		
Guns seized	15			
Citations issued	307	Data ref		
School/Training hours	472	C.A.G.E		
K-9 Training hours	297			
Court Hours	170			
Surveillance hours	148			

Drugs seized:						
Marijuana	743.25gg					
Cocaine	30.92gg					
Methamphetamines	28.1g					
Other drugs	151					
Total street value seized (approx.) \$11,010.00						
**All drug weights are approximates and street values, are estimates						

Data reflect stats from Jan-Aug

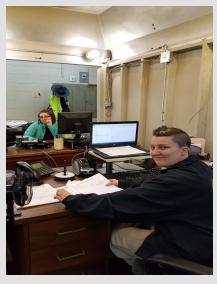
C.A.G.E and SIU divisions merged from Sept-Dec 2017



CRIME SCENE UNIT



Sgt. Jennifer Michel supervises the crime scene investigation and evidence processing unit. Along with responding to major crime scenes, they are also tasked with collecting, preserving and photographing evidence, collecting certain items of video evidence, and processing the evidence for court procedures. The Crime Scene Investigators are also required to assist the District Attorney in prosecuting criminal cases and act as a liaison with the Georgia State Crime Laboratory.



Category	2017	2016	%
Number of Crime Scenes (CSI Duty Hours)	111	376	-70.47%
Number of Crime Scenes (CSI Called Out)	62	123	-49.59%
Number of Crime Scenes (Assisted Other Jurisdictions)	3	6	-50%
Number of Crime Scenes (Patrol Division Response)	876	912	-3.94%
Total Crime Scenes Responded to in the City	1,052	1,288	-18.32%
Number of Hours Processing Evidence	906	1,142	-20.66%
Fingerprint Examinations	706	716	-1.39%
Hours in Court	150	102	+47.05%
Hours of Training	484	422	+14.69%
Number of Citizen Fingerprints	76	39	+94.87%
Number of Reports Cleared	254	301	-15.61%
Number of All Other Assistance	135	115	+17.39%
Marijuana Testing/Cases	151	148	+2.02%
Offenders Identified by Fingerprints/DNA	30	26	+15.38%
Local Automated Fingerprint Identification Database Records Entered	433	1,884	-77.01%
Latent Finger/Palm print Records Entered	197	439	-55.12%
Latent to Offender Matches	28	26	+7.69%



EVIDENCE AND PROPERTY



Kathy West manages the Evidence Section for the Griffin Police Department. This section is responsible for receiving and storing evidence that has been recovered from crime scenes and also property that has been found. The evidence section is responsible for delivering evidence to the G.B.I. crime lab for the prosecution of cases.



	Evidence Statistics	2017	2016	%
	C.I.D. Evidence	865	716	+20.81%
	Taser Cartridges	12	10	+20%
	Evidence Returned to Owner	120	152	-21.16%
	Drugs Retained in Evidence Room	454	394	+15.22%
e e is	Guns Handled	100	76	+31.57%
g n at	Bicycles Donated to Charity	0	0	0
n e e	Bicycles in Property Room	9	15	-40%
	Cases for Municipal Court	101	123	-17.89%
	Cases for State Court	252	211	+19.43%
	Cases for Superior Court	311	318	-2.21%
	Cases Sent to Crime Lab	171	284	-39.79%
	Found Property	39	94	-58.52%
	Case Disks	928	989	-6.17%

SRO AND D.A.R.E.

The Griffin area school system is comprised of eleven elementary schools, four middle schools, two high schools, and one alternative school. Currently there are two officers assigned as SRO'S. The D.A.R.E program is designed to provide young people with the skills necessary to resist peer pressures. This is a partnership between schools and the Griffin Police Department and is a successful national program.

 During 2017, Several events were held including Moore Elementary College & Career Day; Communities and Crime Program; Kids Fishing Contest; Fishing Rodeo along with the popular CSI camp for youth ranging from ages 11-14.



WARRANT DIVISION

The Warrant Division is responsible for serving warrants that are issued by the city's Municipal Court. On city court days, the Warrant Division provides a bailiff for court and a transport officer. In addition, this Division is responsible for transporting wanted persons arrested in other jurisdictions back to Griffin.

	2017	2016	Diff.	%
Warrants Issued	572	703	233	-18.64%
Warrants Served	317	320	81	-0.93%
Warrants Dismissed	62	171	56	-63.75%
Outstanding Warrants	193	212	96	-8.97%

RECOGNITIONS



Sgt. Andrew Dorsey promoted 06/21/17



Sgt. Kaylen Kreuger promoted 11/26/17



Lt. Gene Matthews promoted 11/26/17



Sgt. Chip Johns promoted 12/28/17



Sgt. Jennifer Michel promoted 11/26/17



Lt. Brian Jones promoted 07/31/17

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