



**GRIFFIN POLICE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT**



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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Dear Citizens,

The Griffin Police Department is proud to release our 2019 Annual Report. I hope that you find the information contained 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 professionals in the State of Georgia.

The Griffin Police Department continues to work diligently 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 2019, the City of Griffin experienced a reduction in Part 1 crimes (compared to 2018). 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 and the "Buddy Bench" program are just a few of the programs the department participated in 2019.

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,

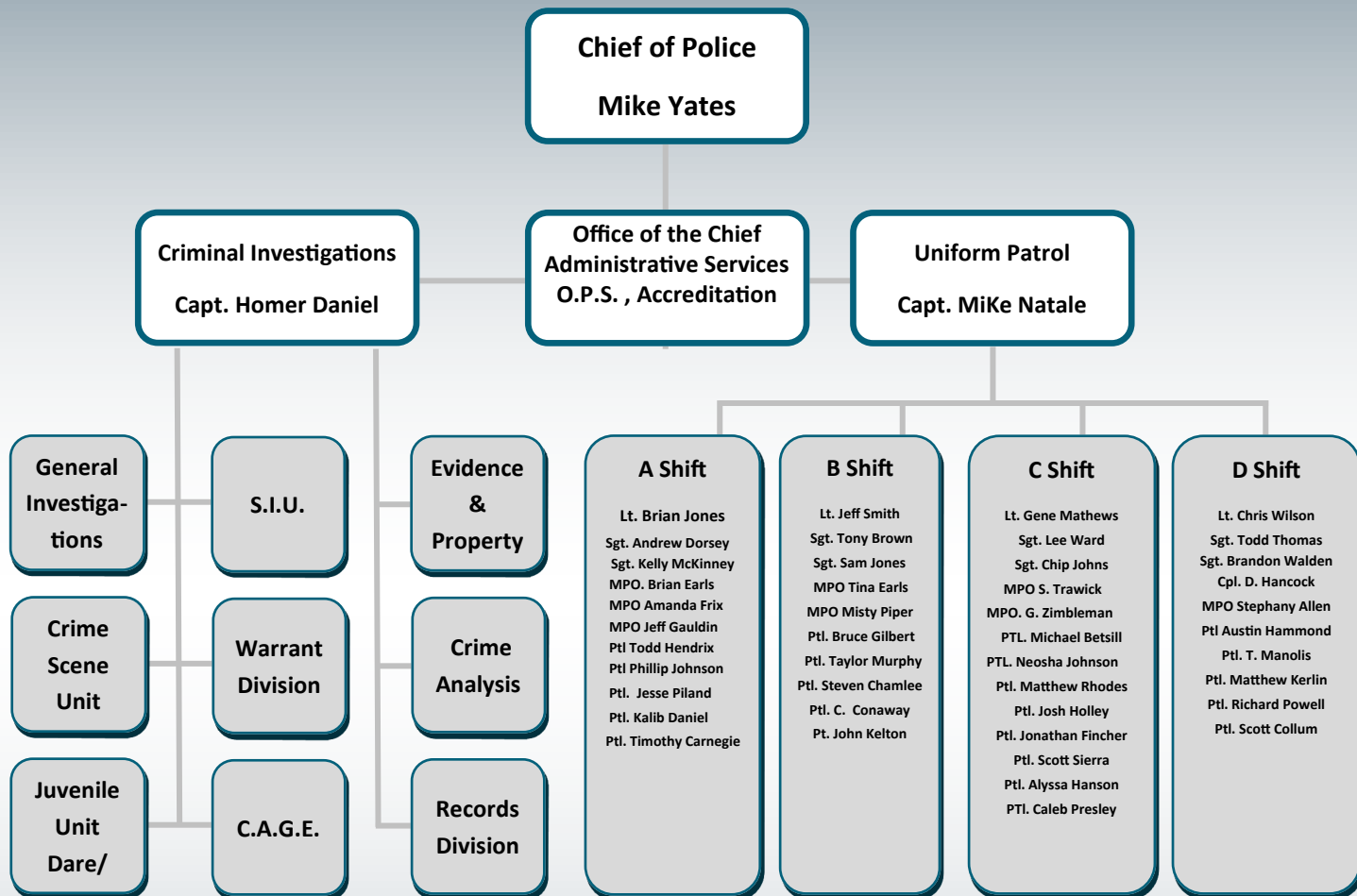
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Michael Yates
Chief of Police





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 80 sworn officers and 11 civilian support personnel. We serve a daytime population of about 90,000 people, roughly 22,700 of those being citizens residing within the incorporated limits of Griffin, GA.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Griffin Police Department (GPD) continued to strive for excellence in community service once again in 2019. 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 2019, the department saw a 21% increase in Calls for Service compared to 2018, from 53544 to 67317. Traffic Crashes increased by 4% compared to 2018, from 1727 to 1785. There was 1 fatality reported. Traffic Citations saw a 8% increase compared to 2018 from 10956 to 11831. Additionally, arrests increased in 2019 by compared to 2018, from 3070 to 3907 (20%).

There have been several changes and updates throughout the department in 2019 as well. This report presents this information by division and unit, along with each division and unit's progress for the year.

GRIFFIN CRIME 2019

Part 1 Crime in Griffin has decreased again, down 3% from 1386 in 2018 to 1346 in 2019.

**2019 was the third year that the Crime Analysis Plus system has been implemented which may give rise to some statistical differences in methodology used in previous years.*

Following tables depict the types of Part 1 Crimes reported in 2019 and 2018 as well as the clearance rate for each type of crime. You may note some differences in numbers in particular categories due to unfounded reports and reports exceptionally cleared after original reporting but these differences are statistically insignificant.



Griffin Incident Report

Summary

This is an analysis of the crime reports in Griffin, Georgia. The data in this report are from 2019 and 2020. The 2020 data includes incidents as of February 27, 2020. This data includes only Part 1 crimes.

This brief report includes maps and other figures, along with a brief summary. First, I present graphs and tables across offense type and police zones for each year. Second, I map the crimes for each year, including density maps.

2019 Part 1 Incident Reports

Table 1 below shows the total number of each offense according to the total number of 2019 incident reports. There are a total of 1,101 Part 1 incidents in 2019. The most common offense type is larceny, 703. Aggravated Assaults and burglaries are the second and third most common offenses.

Figure 1 and 2 shows a breakdown of offenses by police zones and zip codes. Figure 1 and 2 contain the same information, but they are represented differently. In Figure 1 and 2, we see larceny is the most common offense in each of the police zones. The most incidents occur in the Northwest police zone. This zone contains a large commercial and retail area. The second most common police zone for incidents is the Southwest zone.

Table 1: Incident breakdown for 2019 crimes

Offense type	Count
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	132
ARSON	2
BURGLARY	179
HOMICIDE	1
KIDNAPPING	1
LARCENY	703
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	44
ROBBERY	39



Figure 1: 2019 Offenses by Police Zone

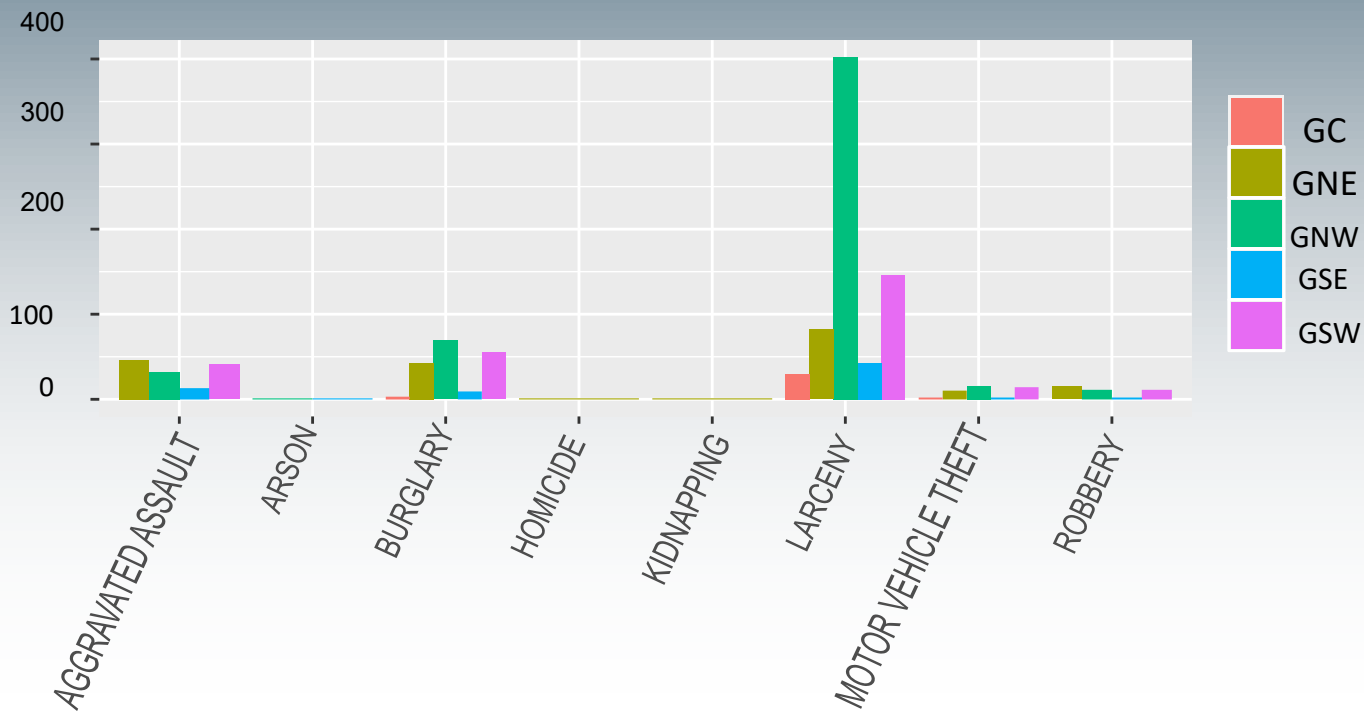


Figure 2: Police Zones by 2019 Offenses

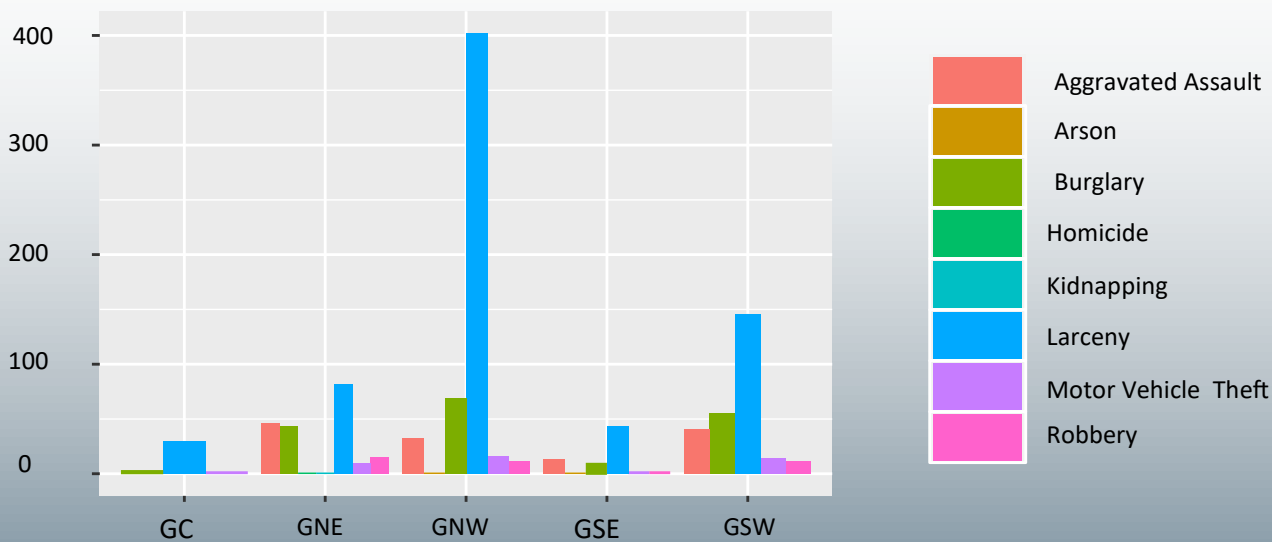
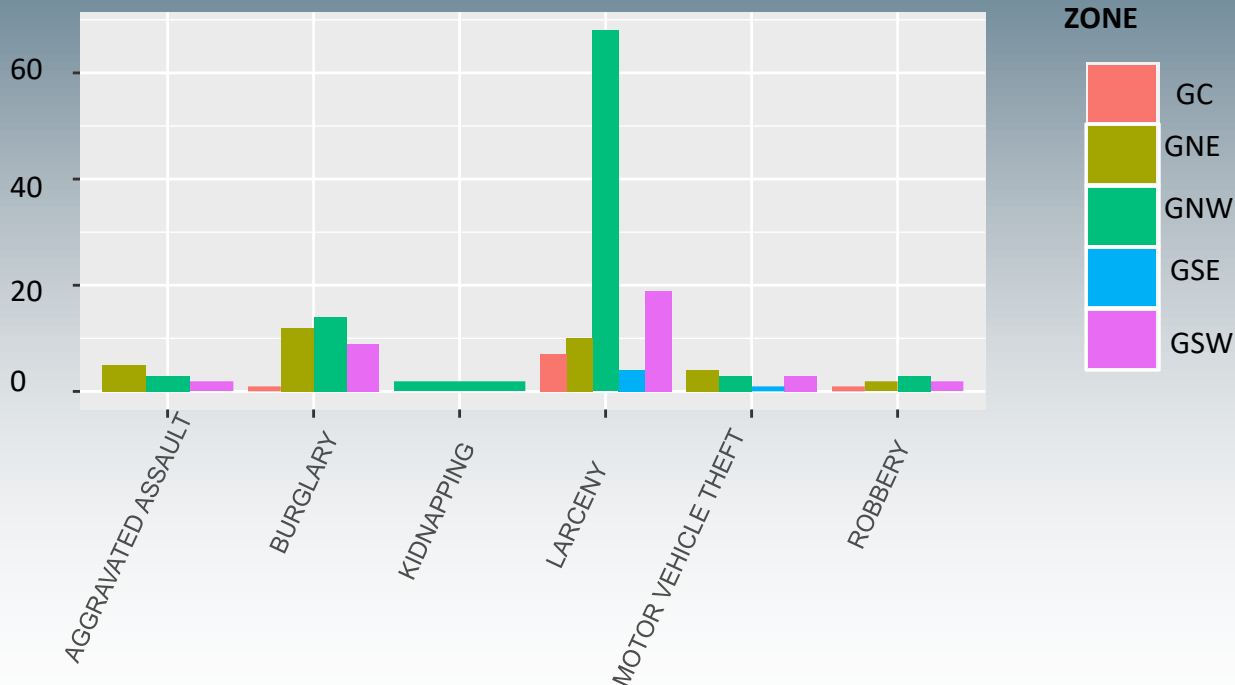




Figure 3: 2019 Offenses by Police Zone



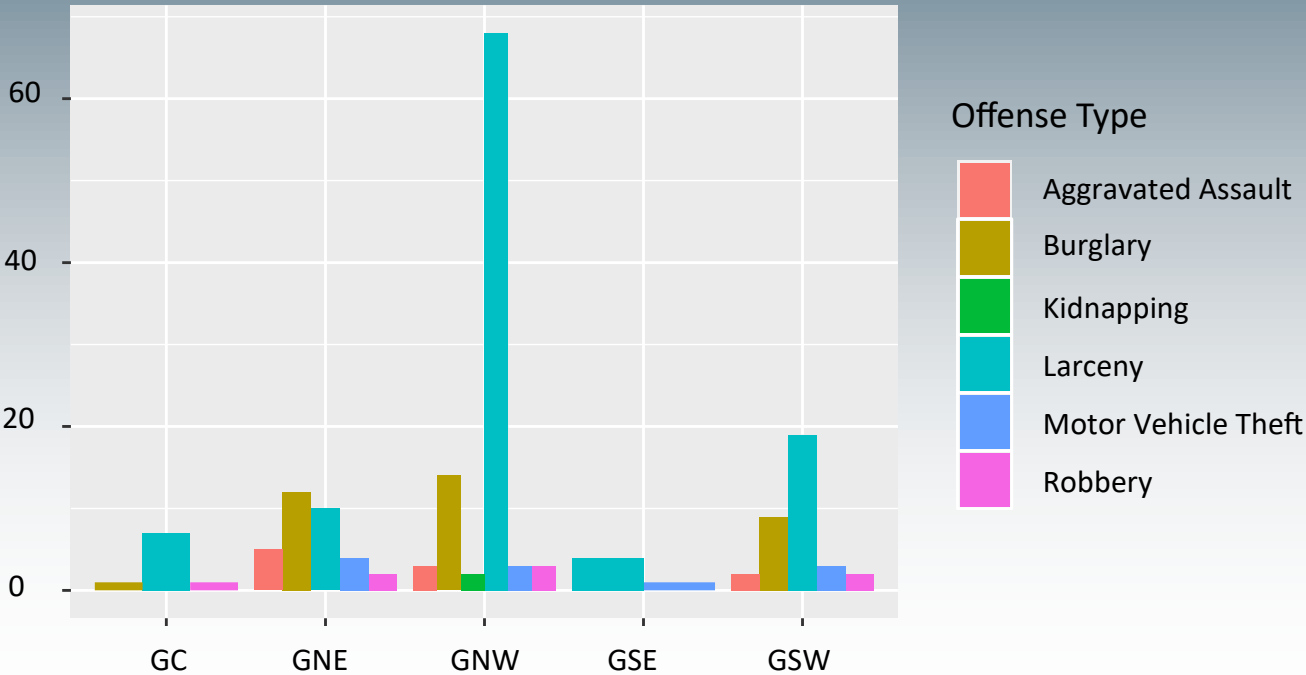
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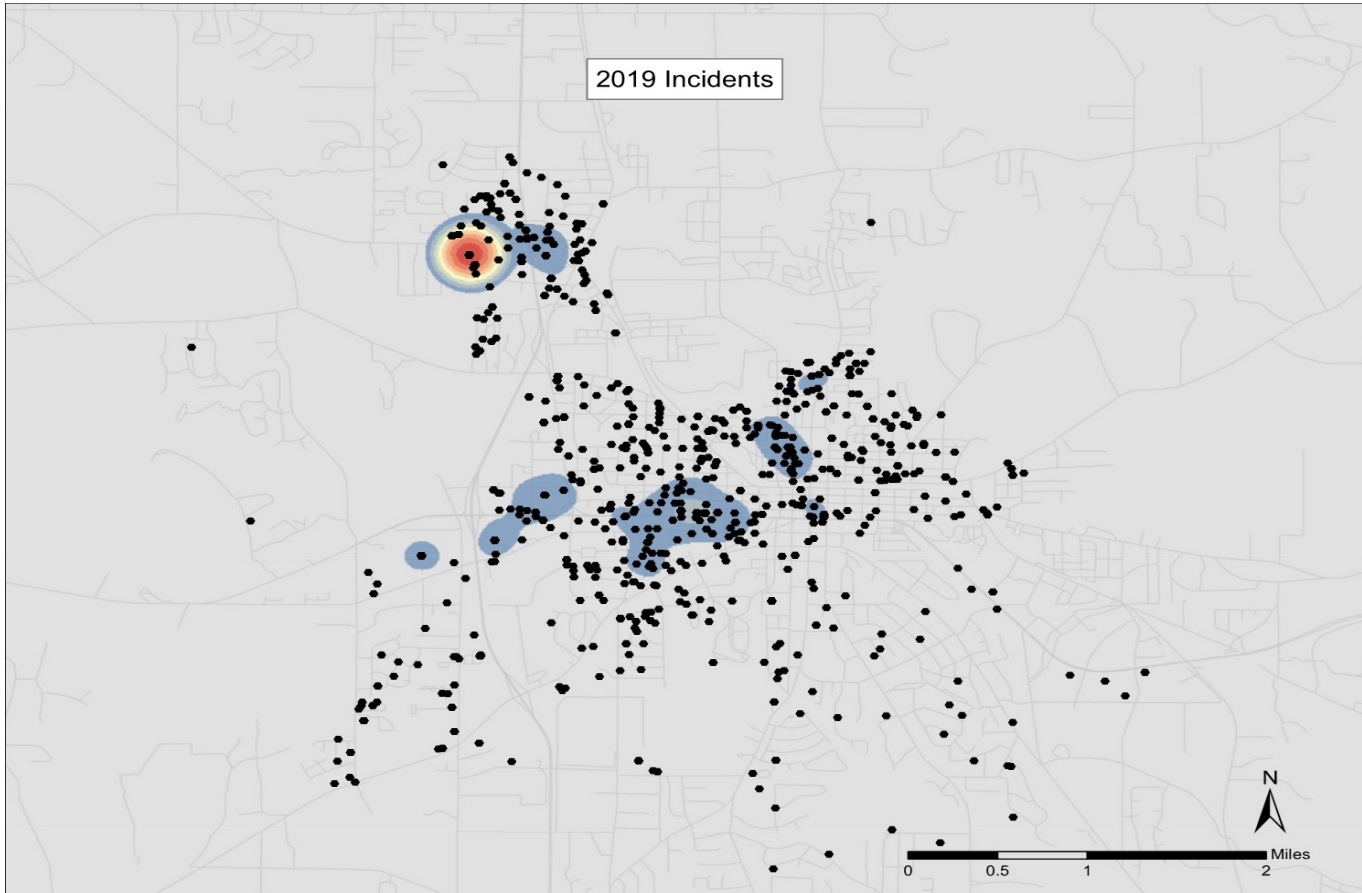
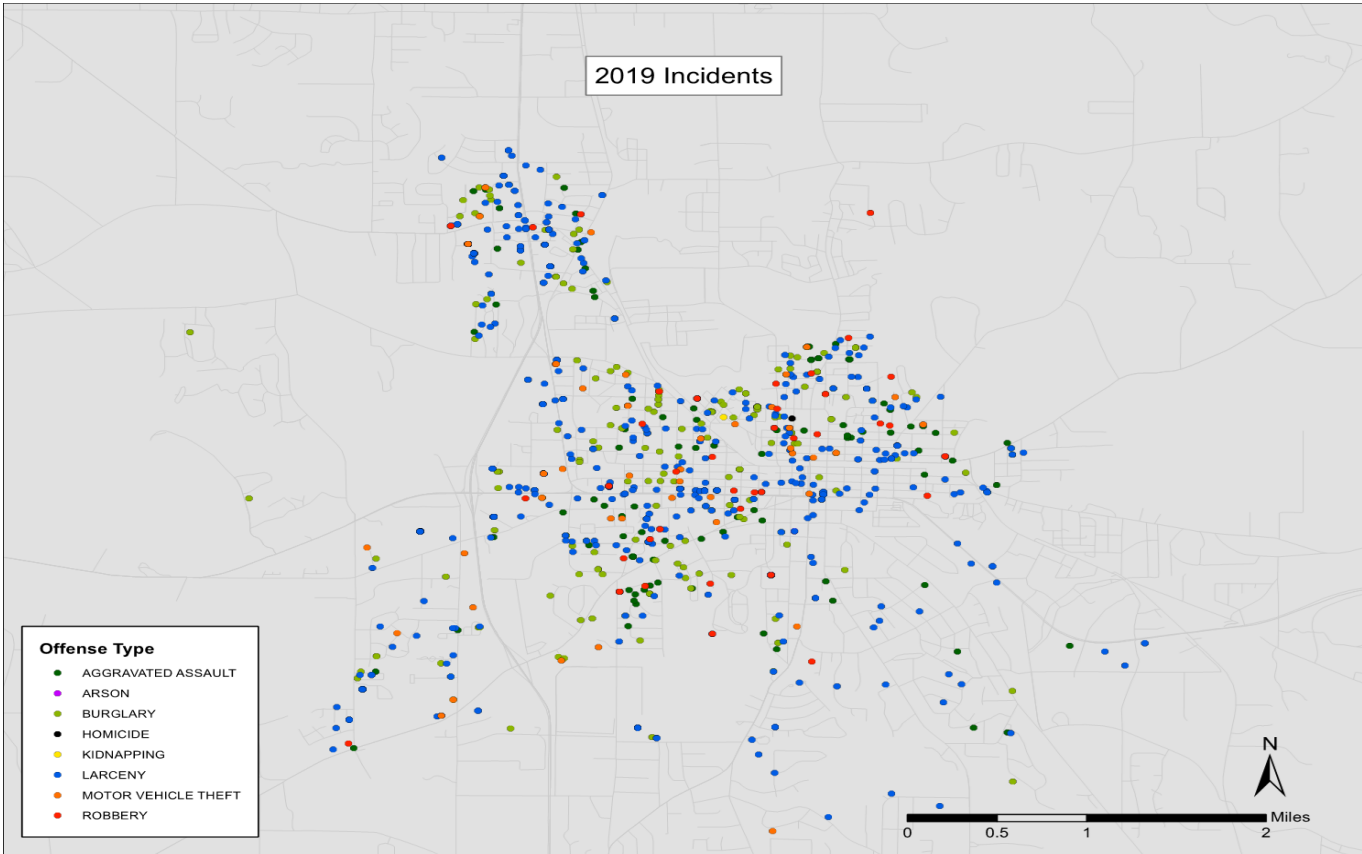
Table above shows the total number of each offense according to the total number of 2019 incident reports. There are a total of 473 part 1 incidents thus far in 2020. The most common offense type is larceny, 108. Burglaries and motor vehicle thefts are the second and third most common offenses through February 27, 2020.

Figures 3 and 4 show a breakdown of offenses by police zones. These figures contain the same information, but they are represented differently. In Figures 3 and 4, we see Larceny is the most common offense in most of the police zones. In the Northeast zone, the most common offense is burglary. Kidnapping and larceny are equally common in the Southeast and Central police zones. Overall, The most incidents occur in the Northwest police zone, just as in 2019. The second most common police zone for incidents is the Northeast zone.



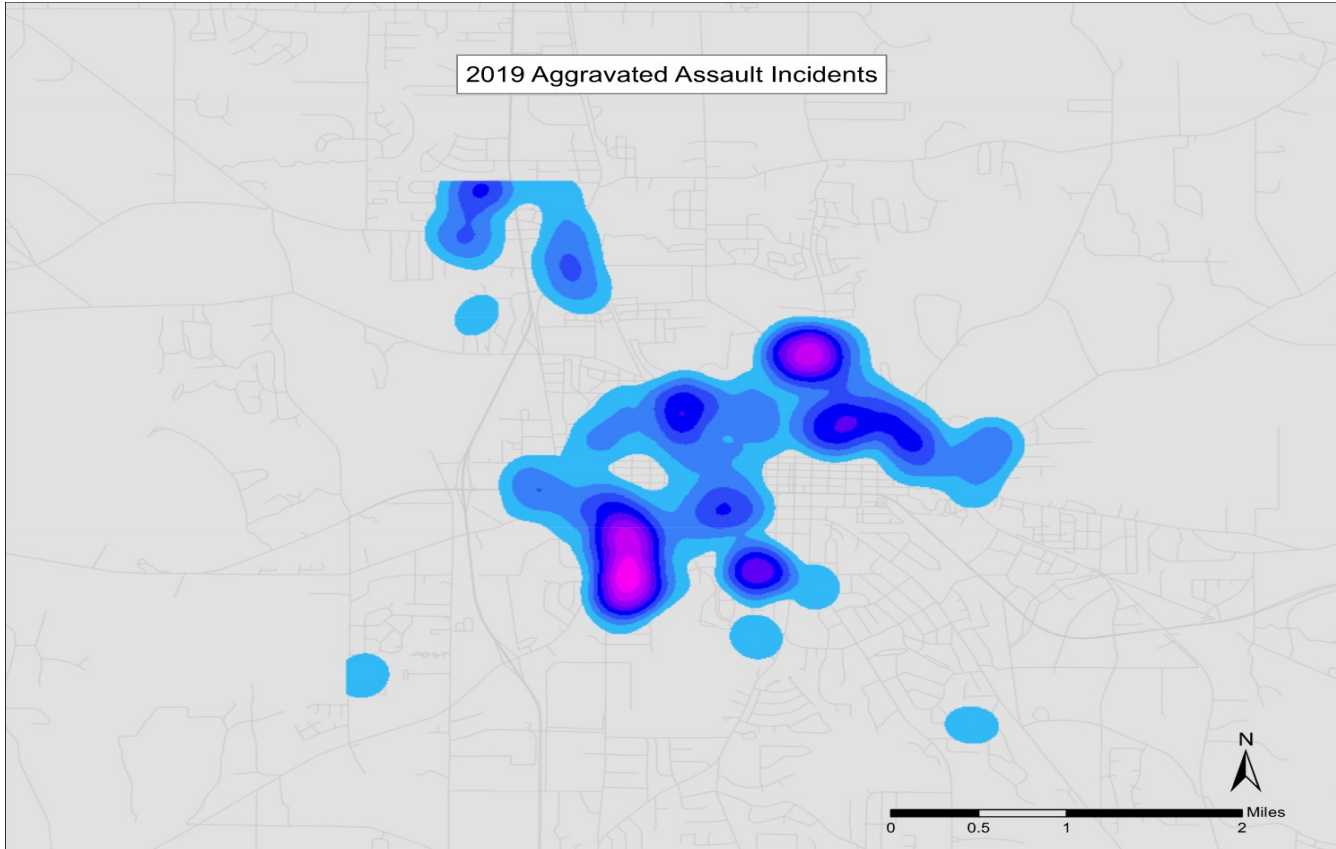
Figure 4: Police Zones by 2020 Incidents



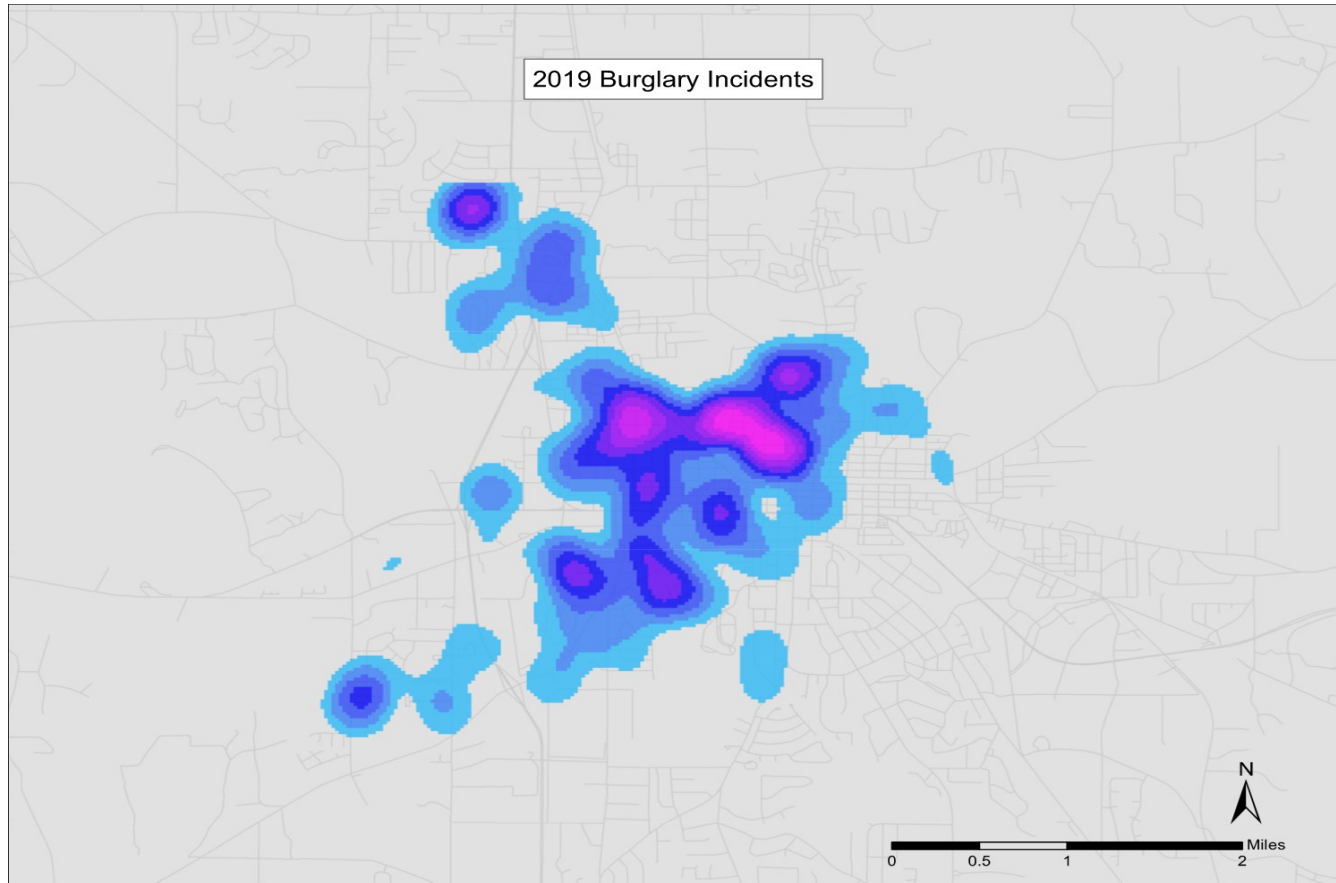


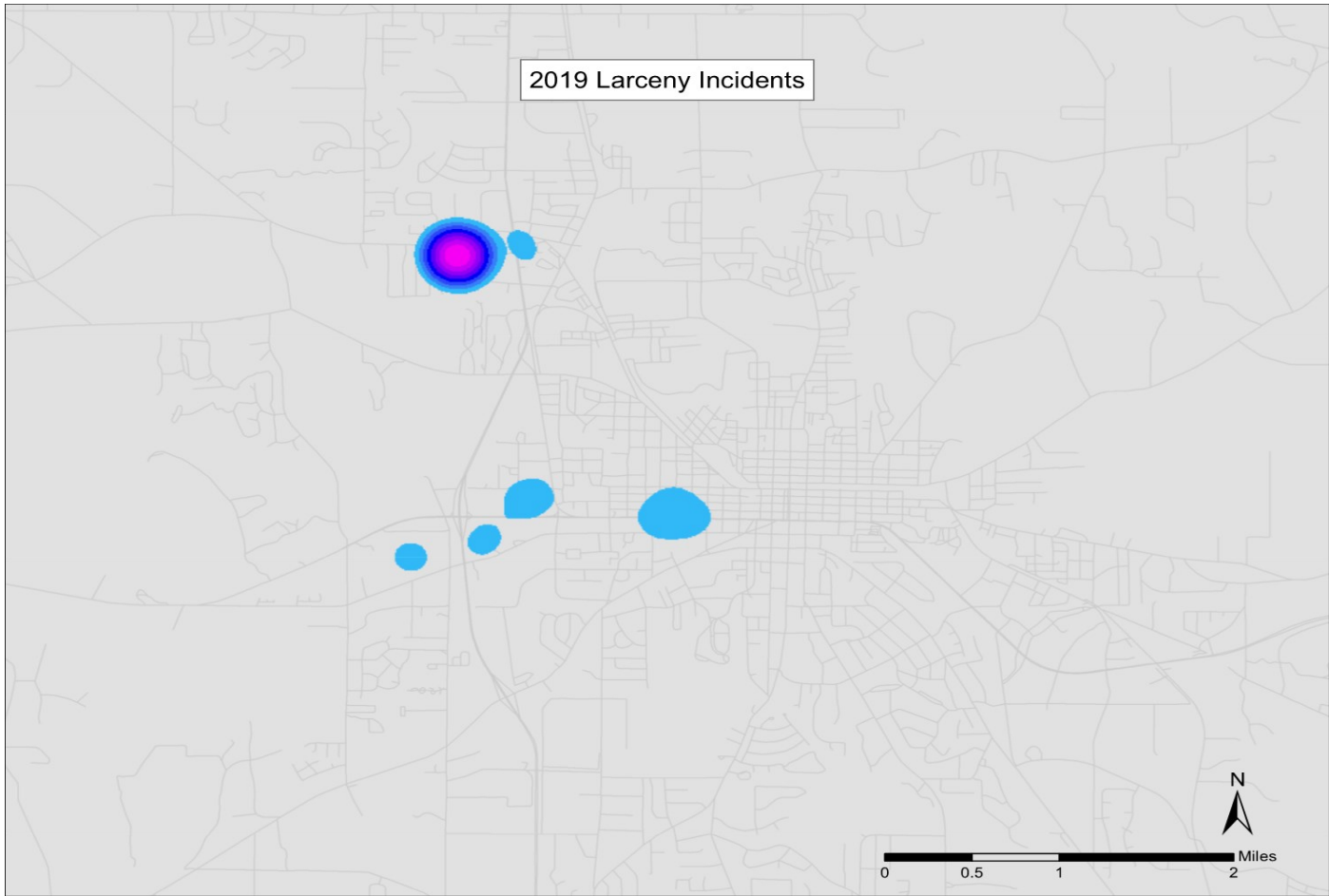


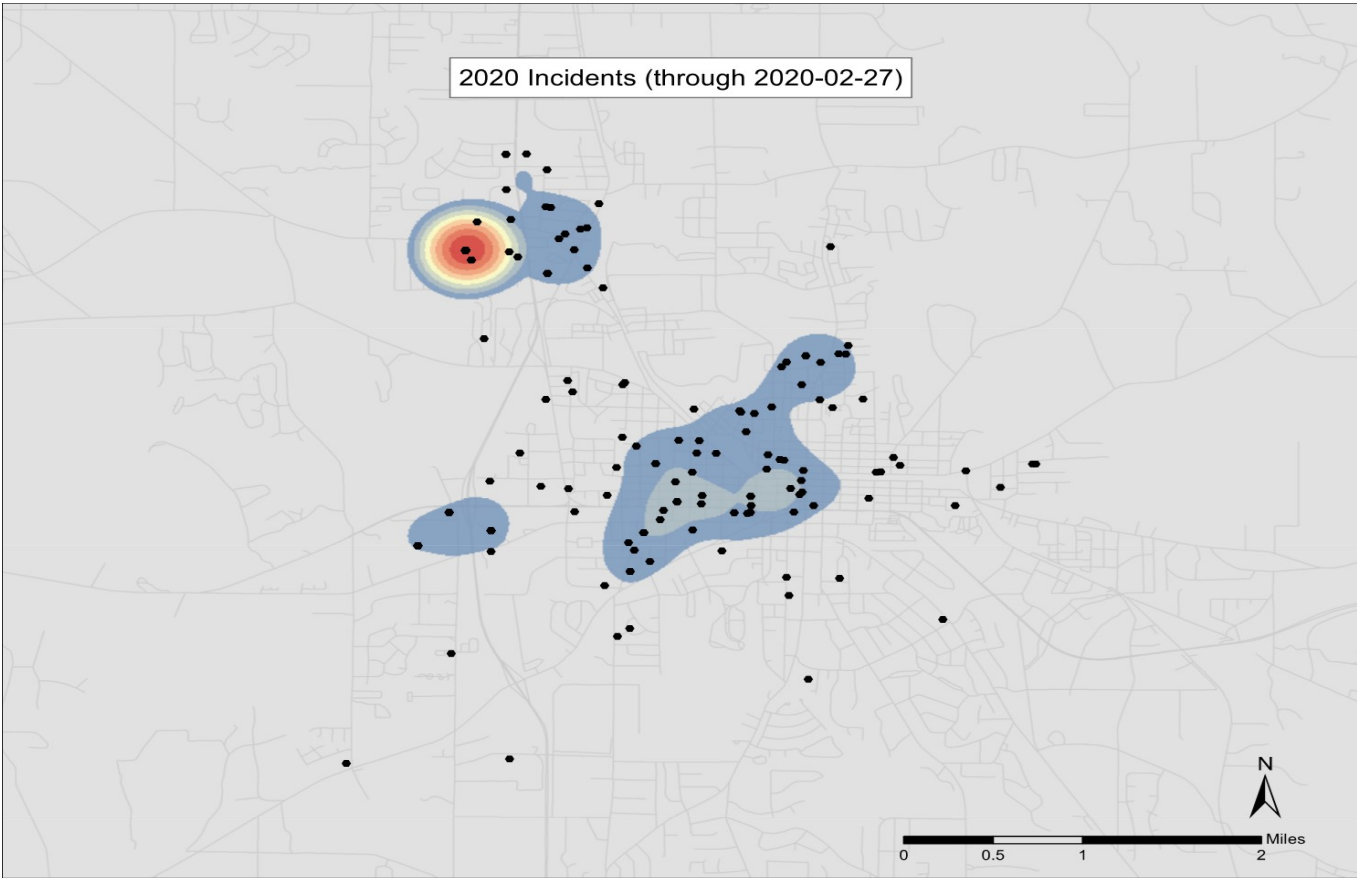
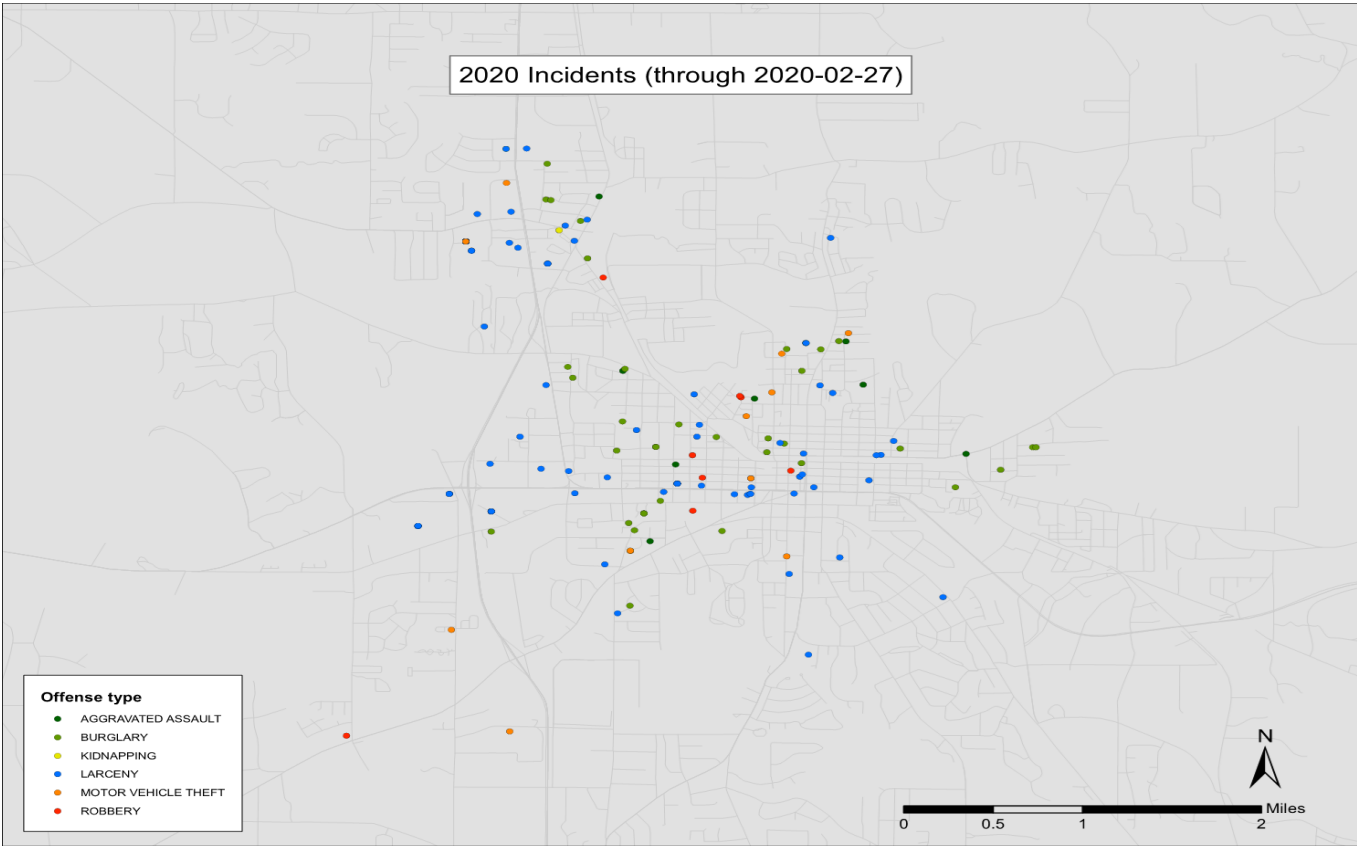
2019 Aggravated Assault Incidents



2019 Burglary Incidents









CRIME ANALYSIS

PART ONE CRIMES CLEARANCE

2019

Incident	Reported	Arrest	Ex. Cleared	Unfounded	Warrants	Suspended
Homicide	1	3	0	0	0	0
Rape	11	2	2	2	1	3
Robbery	39	8	0	2	1	22
Agg. Assault	132	56	12	2	7	32
Burglary	179	11	4	3	8	144
Theft	703	261	64	43	51	450
Vehicle Theft	43	12	3	0	1	27
Arson	2	2	0	0	0	0
Totals	1110	355	85	52	69	678

Clearance Rate: 44%

Clearance Rate Persons: 48%

Clearance Rate Property: 43%

2018

Incident	Reported	Arrest	Ex. Cleared	Unfounded	Warrants	Suspended
Homicide	1	1	0	0	0	0
Rape	17	4	3	2	0	6
Robbery	34	4	2	0	0	21
Agg. Assault	164	84	17	3	7	43
Burglary	225	25	4	6	2	179
Theft	892	219	75	54	34	509
Vehicle Theft	51	8	8	7	0	27
Arson	2	2	0	0	0	0
Totals	1386	347	109	72	43	785

Clearance Rate: 41%

Clearance Rate Persons: 59%

Clearance Rate Property: 38%



CRIME ANALYSIS

CRIME RATES PER 1,000 POPULATION

In order to provide yet another way of summarizing the distribution of crime in 2019, this section shows Part 1 crime rates for every 1,000 people in our community dating back to 2015. These rates are calculated by the number of crimes divided by the estimated population of 22,700 each for 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.

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Homicide	1	2	2	1	1
Rape	14	14	4	17	11
Aggravated Assault	118	123	129	155	132
Burglary	223	214	258	219	179
Robbery	56	46	46	34	39
Larceny	1219	1170	1061	887	703
Motor Vehicle Theft	48	62	61	47	43
Arson	0	11	4	1	2
TOTALS	1679	1642	1565	1361	1110
Crimes Per 1000 Population	73.96475771	72.33480176	68.94273128	59.95594714	59.29515418

Since 2015, the crime rate per 1000 population has varied for Part I Crime ranging from 73.96 to 59.29 while the crime rate for Crimes Against Property has ranged from 57.1 to 85.2 per 1000. 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 our Part I crime rates. You will note an approximate reduction of nearly 15% in Part I Crime in 2019 compared to crime in 2015.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF



CALEA

The Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) was created in 1979 as an accrediting 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 service 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 an external, objective evaluation of departmental operations.

There are approx. 18,000 state and local law enforcement agencies in the country. Less than 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. Since then, the agency has maintained its certification with the State and Accreditation with CALEA. On November 2019, the agency received its fifth National Accreditation Award in Covington, Kentucky.

**CALEA PRESENTATION TO CITY OF GRIFFIN POLICE DEPARTMENT
Covington, Kentucky November 2019**



In November the Griffin Police Department received it's 5th National Accreditation Award in Covington, Kentucky during the annual CALEA Conference. This distinguished award is given to agencies who continue the quest for professional excellence by working toward compliance with standards and future standards promulgated by CALEA. This award is for four years and the agency is required to maintain continuous compliance during the award period. The Griffin Police Department continues to demonstrate a commitment to professional excellence in their policies and practices.



OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

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.

New Hires	2019	2018	% Change
Males	10	20	-50%
Females	3	2	+50%

Training Hours 2019	Training Hours	% Change
12, 870	11,958	+8%



Sgt. Howard has been employed with the Griffin Police Department since 2008. With 1650 hours of certified training, Sgt. Howard has served as a Field Training Officer with previous assignments to the Patrol Division and Criminal Investigation . He holds a certification as a Hostage Negotiator for the department’s SWAT team.

Sgt. Howard was assigned to Hiring and Recruitment in 2019 . He is the department’s training coordinator and oversees the operation of the firing range.



OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

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	2019	2018	
Formal Investigations	2	10	
Harassment/Threats	0	0	
Conduct/Demeanor	1	3	
Policy/Procedure	1	2	
Use of Force	0	2	
Official Code of Georgia	0	0	
Other	0	3	
Dispositions	2019	2018	
Unfounded	0	6	
Exonerated	0	0	
Sustained	2	2	
Not Sustained	0	2	
Other/Policy/Warnings	0	0	



OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

O.P.S. maintains documentation of all use of force incidents and vehicle pursuits. These are reviewed by Supervisors, Internal Affairs, and the Chief of Police . 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 2018 and 2019.

Pursuits	2019	2018	% Change
Total Pursuits	6	5	+17%
Policy Compliant	6	5	+17%
Policy Non-Compliant	0	0	<i>n</i>
Accidents	0	0	<i>n</i>
Injuries: Officer	0	0	<i>n</i>
Suspects	0	0	<i>n</i>
Third Party	0	0	<i>n</i>
Traffic Offense	4	2	+50%
Felony	4	5	-20%
Misdemeanor	2	0	<i>n</i>

Use of Force	2019	2018	% Change
Total Use of Force Incidents	43	31	+28%
Firearm	0	1 (animal)	<i>n</i>
ASP Baton	0	0	<i>n</i>
OC Spray	0	0	<i>n</i>
Taser: Deployed/Not Deployed *	26	29	-11%
Hands *	22	4	+82%
K-9	0	0	<i>n</i>
Total Use of Force Arrests	43	29	+33%
Complaints	1	2	-50%
Felony	13	19	-32%

* In some Use of Force reported incidents, the taser and hands were both utilized.

* Due to the small numbers some percentiles are statistically insignificant and some Columns reflect a *n* value (null or 0).



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 where they conduct preliminary criminal and traffic accident investigations, and assist in processing 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.

These officers are engaged in a variety of problem solving initiatives and educational activities based on the department's commitment to community policing. Uniform Patrol are responsible for other events such as holiday enforcement details, community and business presentations. School crossing guard assignments, and animal control fall under the control of the uniform patrol division.

Captain Mike Natale has been with the Griffin Police Department since 1992 and has served as a Uniform Patrol supervisor, Criminal Investigator, Juvenile Investigator, School Resource Officer and Narcotics Unit Commander. Captain Natale during his tenure has also been tasked with budgeting, special projects and fleet management. He has a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Valdosta State University and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Columbus State University. He is currently assigned as the Patrol Division Commander.





Uniform Patrol Division	2019	2018	% Change
911 Dispatched Calls	24,636	25,144	-3%
Officer Initiated Calls	42,681	28,400	+44%
Total Calls for Service	67,317	53,544	+21%
Suspicious Person/Activity	174	203	-15%
Vehicle Unlocks	944	891	+6%
Roadway Accident Reports	1092	1111	-2%
Private Property Accident	693	655	+6%
Traffic Fatalities	1	1	n
Employee Accident Reports	12	25	-52%
Traffic/Misdemeanor Citations	10785	8,410	+33%
Traffic/Misdemeanor Warnings	1046	818	+22%
Total Citations Written	11,831	9,228	+33%
Drug Related Arrests	561	676	-18%
D.U.I. Arrests	133	95	+29%
Total Custodial Arrests	3,907	3,697	+6%



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION AND JUVENILE INVESTIGATIONS

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 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.

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

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

Captain Homer Daniel is a 35 year veteran of the Griffin Police Department. He has a Master's Degree Public Administration and is POST Certified Instructor. Captain Daniel has taught numerous criminal justice courses at Southern Crescent Technical College.

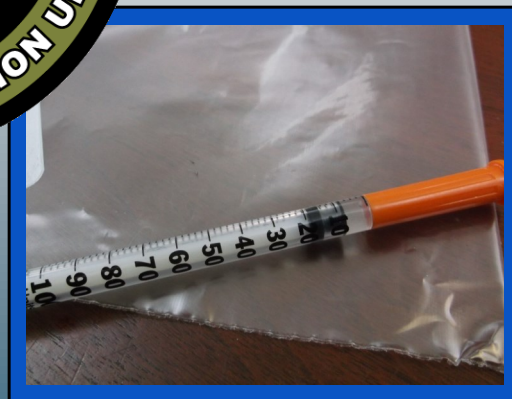
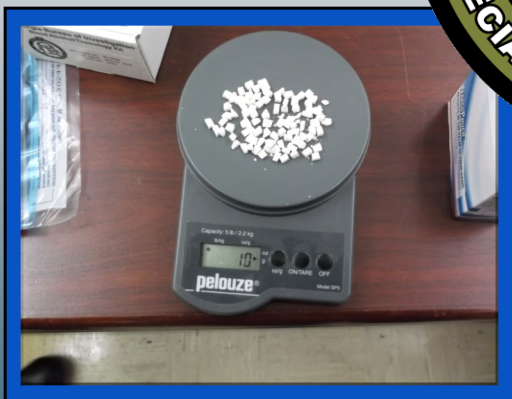
Throughout his career, he has served in various departments including Patrol Division, SRO and the Community Oriented Policing program. With a strong desire to help children in the community, he volunteers at various Spalding County Elementary Schools in a reading to student program. He is currently assigned to the Criminal Investigations Unit as their Division Commander.





SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

The Special Investigations Unit of the Griffin Police Department is made up of the K-9 and C.A.G.E Units. This combination of the SIU Division 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. At times, 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

2019								
Month	Arrests	Marj.	Cocaine	Meth	Currency	Guns	Vehs	S/W
January	19	187.72gg	6.75gg	37.33gg	\$7,228.00	2	0	5
February	31	4,203gg	9.44gg	13.57gg	\$3,104.44	4	0	4
March	38	156.28gg	1.5gg	16.43gg	\$1,566.00	3	1	1
April	41	87.5gg	1.8gg	30.2gg	\$1,800.00	2	0	5
May	38	987.44gg	2.2gg		\$12,023.27	4	0	6
June	35	88.73gg	1.4gg	20gg	\$1,090.00	7	0	1
July	24	564.14gg	0.2gg	1.8gg		1	0	3
August	32	274.9gg	42.44gg	11.89gg		2	0	4
September	14	82.41gg	8.8gg		\$2,340.00	0	1	3
October	10	8.1gg	10.1gg		\$1,108.00	0	0	3
November	2		1.0gg			2	0	0
December	22	24gg		1.1gg		3	0	1
Totals	306	6,664.22gg	85.63gg	132.32gg	\$30,259.71	30	2	36
Seized marijuana street value (based on \$10 per gram)						\$66,642.20		
Seized cocaine street value (based on \$50 per gram)						\$4,281.50		
Seized Meth. street value (based on \$40 per gram)						\$1,680.00		
Misc. Pills street value (based on \$10 per pill)						\$5,292.80		
Total street value of drugs seized						\$77,896.50		

2018								
Month	Arrests	Marj.	Cocaine	Meth	Currency	Guns	Vehs	S/W
January	36	69.4gg	9.2gg	18.6gg		3		2
February	26	53.49gg	11.15gg	0.66gg		2		4
March	33	747.71gg	32.21gg	25.9gg	\$7,560.07	2	1	5
April	36	67.56gg	45.92gg	0gg	\$1,084.69	3	2	2
May	23	79.8gg	0gg	18.5gg		1		2
June	27	211.85gg	3gg	0gg		3		1
July	40	299.87gg	3.4gg	30.02gg	\$2,200.00	2		1
August	25	121.88gg	52.99gg	5.0gg	\$1,550.00	1	2	4
September	44	131gg	3.84gg	6.5gg	\$s,599.00	3	3	1
October	48	796.18gg	0gg	50gg	#1,257.00	5		3
November	22	156.58gg	15.9gg	8.5gg	\$1,583.00	3	3	1
December	31	189.8gg	8.7gg	38.1gg	\$4,570.23	2		2
Totals	391	2952.12 gg	186.31 gg	201.78 gg	\$22,403.99	30	11	28
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 value (based on \$15 per pill)						\$2,210.00		
Total street value of drugs seized						\$78,503.80		



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.

Sgt. Michel, along with supervising CSI, is assigned to the Criminal Investigations Division and youth program activities.

In 2019 Sgt. Michel received the “strongest link” in the chain for the City of Griffin for all her contributions to the city, it’s youth programs and major community activities.

Category	2019
Number of Crime Scenes (CSI Duty Hours)	211
Number of Crime Scenes (CSI Called Out)	74
Number of Crime Scenes (Assisted Other Jurisdictions)	10
Number of Crime Scenes (Patrol Division Response)	815
Total Crime Scenes Responded to in the City	1026
Number of Hours Processing Evidence	
	604
Hours in Court	24
Hours of Training	264
Number of Citizen Fingerprints	19
Number of Reports Cleared	250
Marijuana Testing/Cases	109
Offenders Identified by	2

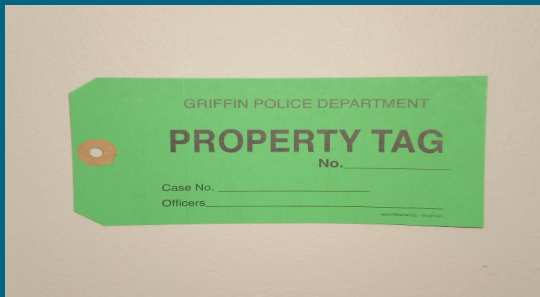


EVIDENCE AND PROPERTY



Karen Jett started with the Griffin Police Department back in 1972 when she became the first female officer. After six year, Ms. Jett went on to work for the state where she retired. In August of 2018 Ms. Jett was hired part-time to work in the property and evidence room and assist on the range as a firearms instructor along with instructing the Supervision Level Training Courses for the agency.

Evidence Statistics	2019	2018	%
Items in Evidence Room	20,581	16,227	+22%
Cases sent to crime lab	358	203	+44%
Evidence Returned to Owner	226	137	+40%
Drugs Retained in Evidence Room	792	900	-22%
Guns Handled	186	115	+39%
Found Property	105	82	+22%





UNIFORM PATROL DIVISION

Animal Control

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



Tyrone Evans

Stetman White





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 2019, approx. 500 students from 9 elementary schools participated and graduated from the DARE program organized by Officer Hancock of the Griffin Police Department.



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.

	2019	2018	Diff.	%
Warrants Issued	891	734	157	+18%
Warrants Served	475	426	49	+11%
Warrants Dismissed	98	99	1	<i>n</i>
Outstanding Warrants	318	209	109	+35%



Sgt. Jennifer Michel receives
“Strongest Link” 2019 from
Chief Mike Yates.

Chief Yates presented Sgt. Jennifer Michel with a plaque for being the strongest link in 2019 for the City of Griffin. Chief Yates nominated Sgt. Michel for doing a fantastic job on a daily basis and volunteering, organizing, producing and collecting activities, supplies, food, clothing and toys for the needy in the community. Sgt. Michel partnered with the Divine Women of Faith organization to produce a Halloween Festival for over 200 kids who would not get such an experience without her efforts. She also coordinated a Thanksgiving meal for more than 100 needy persons and accomplished the same task at Christmas where well over 100 families were provided with gifts for their children along with Santa photos and Christmas activities. Each year Sgt. Michel oversees the CSI Camp for a number of children and built a Float for the Police Department annual Christmas parade. She has positively affected the lives of countless families and children with her efforts who would have been unable to provide these experiences and resources for themselves where it not for her efforts. In Chief Yates words “There is no better example in this City of a person so giving and tireless in their efforts than Sgt. Jennifer Michel and thus no better example of the City of Griffin’s “STRONGEST LINK”



Community relations



Citizens Police Academy



Special day with Ryleigh



Explorers in Gatlinburg, Tennessee



Thanksgiving meals for local families



Halloween Festival at the Police Department





Patrol Division Lieutenants



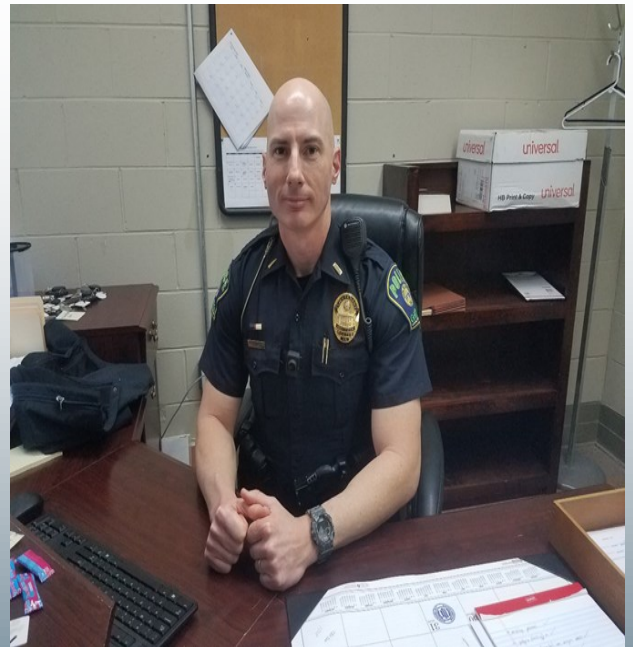
Lieutenant Jeff Smith



Lieutenant Gene Mathews



Lieutenant Chris Wilson



Lieutenant Brian Jones



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