

Yeadon Borough Police Department

Office of the Chief of Police

Police Department

Monthly Report: May 01-31, 2018

June 10, 2018

Mayor Rohan Hepkins
Public Safety Committee
Yeadon, PA 19050

Dear Mayor Hepkins:

It is my pleasure to present to you and Council the Police Department's Monthly Report for the services performed by the members of the Yeadon Police Department for the period May 01-31, 2018.

General Information. Information is a vital part of being able to provide answers to residents that can help others understand the dynamics of law enforcement and the activities that occur daily to make a community safe. This report contains information obtained from the Department's Alert2 Information Records System, as well as personal insight related to daily operations of the Police Department. Instead of providing you with just totals, I wanted to provide you with reports that provide more information to better understand what goes on in the Borough, and the work of the personnel in the Department.

Crime Prevention. Various police departments run a program called #9pmroutine, in which they ask residents via social media at the 9pm hour to secure their cars and homes for the night to prevent criminals from having an easy opportunity for theft. I have initiated this program here but with a couple of differences. I don't believe the 9pm hour works all the time, with weather, time of year, etc. so I call it #MissionLockItUp. Based on the time of day that darkness starts I have announced this to residents via social media, and hope this catches on here, and prompts continued partnership with the police to help deter and prevent crime. Crime prevention is not just about catching criminals but deterring a criminal's belief in success in committing crimes, which comes from this partnership.

Safety Tip – Auto theft prevention and safety. Today's automobiles are sophisticated computers to a degree, in which many cars you only have to have a key in your pocket to start your car. This creates opportunities for theft when we leave our cars running to keep them warm or cool depending on the weather. I have seen a rise in vehicle thefts since my arrival here in Yeadon, and it is important to understand that it only takes a few seconds to steal a car, and only a few seconds to avoid it. Here are some tips for auto theft prevention and safety:

- Never leave your car running or the keys in the ignition when you're away from it, even for "just a minute." While some cars will alert you that the key is not in the vehicle with an audible sound (horn or tone), some autos won't; and thieves wait for an opportunity to take something that has been left for easy taking.
- Don't think that your car can't be driven off because the key is with you. Once running some cars will still operate as long as the vehicle is not shut off, don't take chances.
- Always roll up the windows and lock the car, even if it's in front of your home.

- Never leave valuables (computers, phones, cash and change) in plain view, even if your car is locked. Put them in the trunk or at least out of sight. Better yet remove them and bring them inside your home.
 - Remove portable electronic devices suction cups or mounts from your window or dash. Even the visible appearance of a suction cup or mounting device can entice a criminal in attempting to break in and look for it.
 - Carry the registration and insurance card with you. Don't leave personal identification documents or credit cards in your vehicle.
 - When you pay to park in a lot or garage, leave just the ignition or valet key with the attendant, and ensure there is nothing in the vehicle of value before you do so.
 - Be aware of your surroundings. Look up; don't get distracted while walking to your car being on your phone in parking lots for example, as criminals are looking for easy targets, especially those who are not aware of their surroundings.
 - Give your car a quick look inside before you get in to ensure no one is hiding inside.
 - Install motion lights around your home especially if you back in the back of your home where street lighting does not help illuminate the area. Criminals work best when it's dark to avoid detection, help deter them with lights.
 - Lock your car not only when you are away from it but after you get in it and are driving.
 - Don't tailgate while in traffic. Leave room in case you need to drive away from a potential threat, and in some cases criminals will cause you to have an accident with them in an effort to victimize you.
 - DO call police if your vehicle is broken into regardless if anything is taken, stolen, or you are involved in an accident. (Better to have an accident report prepared by police to document what happened, so later a person doesn't claim damage you did not cause or an injury that never happened).
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Attached Reports.

1. Calls for Service (862)
 2. Parking Tickets Report (543)
 3. Part 1 Offenses (41)
 4. Part 2 Offenses (51)
 5. Persons Charged Report (15)
 - a. Part 1 Offenses (8)
 - b. Part 2 Offenses (7)
 6. Arrest Details Report (11) (*Note-does not include names for open investigations, nor does it include arrests for Juveniles.
 - a. Juvenile Petitions (0)
 - i. A Juvenile Petition is an arrest of a juvenile offender that results in a Criminal Record being generated. A Petition is for a felony or misdemeanor offense, which the juvenile has been charged with, and the District Attorney has reviewed and approved related charges.
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Traffic Citations issued: 145

Based on a review of the areas that present repeated problems, complaints from the public, or officer and/or my observations, directed traffic patrols will be continued for resident, pedestrian, and motorists safety. Note that the number reflects traffic infractions that may also be charged on a criminal complaint as noted on the arrest details report. Most common infraction was speed and stop sign violations. Traffic enforcement was conducted using speed timing devices. Lines have

been painted throughout the Borough. They do two things; aid officers in enforcement, and become a visual deterrent to some motorists to prevent speeding.

Non-Traffic Citations issued: 8

The most common offense for the month was disorderly conduct.

Police Department Activity.

1. Officers continue make daily visits to the schools.
 2. A lockdown drill was conducted at Bell School with new procedures in place after a threat assessment was conducted, and after training was conducted with staff.
 3. I met with the Superintendent of William Penn School District to discuss school safety and new procedures for lockdown drills and school safety initiatives.
 4. Active (Shooter) Killer training continues.
 - a. Evans completed Active Killer training response.
 5. **Racial Intelligence** training is being planned late June for all officers, and is going to be offered to local police officers as well to increase the class size and impact of the training for police in the area.
 - a. This program for which I am a certified instructor teaches officers de-escalation techniques and to recognize the factors of human behavior that contribute to problems during interactions with the public. It teaches officers about themselves, and improves our ability to be empathetic, understanding, and approachable through the betterment of our social and emotional intelligence.
 6. Promoting Yeadon through the use of my twitter account @ChiefChachi_YPD and Nextdoor continues.
 7. Spoke at Cypress Campus for career day to promote youth interest in becoming a police officer.
 8. I discussed my **Yeadon Youth Police Academy** that I am planning for early September or October to gain interest in police work, and find future Yeadon Officers from our community.
 9. Flag Day meetings continue, *(and the event was incredible this year based on comments I heard Saturday at the event)*.
 10. Attended the monthly Public Safety meeting.
 11. On-going interviews for part-time police officers continue, with two officers being sworn in, in June.
 12. Officers have qualified with the new Glock handguns.
 13. The Body Cam Program should be in place by end of June 2018.
 14. An officer has approached me to create a new PAL program for Yeadon youth in the Borough. I have him working on the program to give him some ownership of the program; further details will follow in the upcoming reports.
 15. The Department participated in a regional DUI Checkpoint (OT costs for all officers involved and those working the street to supplement our involvement was reimbursed by a grant).
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Police Training.

1. Active Shooter training by the Chief's Association was attended by two (2) more Officers.
2. Mandatory In-Service Training continues which includes:
 - a. Firearms requalification.
 - b. First Aid.
 - c. Yearly Police required coursework (ACT180).
3. Officers also attended training for:

- a. Warrant service tactics
- b. SWAT training (Firearms, Entry Tactics, etc.)
- c. Roadside Interview Techniques for Patrol Officers.
- d. Outlaw Motorcycle Club Investigations and Intelligence Workshop
4. Advanced Accident Reconstruction training is earmarked for officers in the coming months.
5. Training for use of Body Cams is set to begin mid-June 2018.

Training is a vital aspect of a professional police agency, and ongoing education and training will be afforded officers to promote officer development and a quality of service to the public second to none.

Recruitment, Hiring, Promotional Examinations

1. Ongoing interviews for Part-Time Police Officer positions continue.
2. Applications are streaming in, and I have been receiving a lot of feedback, that people want to come work here. I am receiving phone calls and applications at a rate of about 2 per day.
3. Further outreach to additional police academies and colleges to garner applicants for our department will continue.
4. Discussions with the Civil Service Commission Chair to prepare a promotional test are underway.
5. Ongoing discussions and research for future police candidate testing continues.

Respectfully submitted:

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