



OCEAN City Police DEPARTMENT

2009 YEAR END REPORT



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MESSAGE FROM CHIEF BERNADETTE A. DiPINO



Dear Ocean City community members, colleagues, neighbors and friends,

I am pleased to present you with the Ocean City Police Department's 2009 Annual Report.

While 2009 was a great year for our agency in many respects, it also proved to be a very challenging economic year for our department, our community and our nation as a whole. In efforts to succeed through these difficult financial times, the Ocean City Police Department has made it a priority to significantly reduce our costs, while continuing to provide outstanding service and crime prevention to our community.

The following pages of this report will enlighten you on some of our accomplishments and provide you with specific information involving our agency. You will be introduced to our specialized units and provided with information involving Ocean City Police Department programs that have earned us the trust of our community and made us an internationally recognized agency.

Teamwork, community policing, standardization, professionalism and strict enforcement of the law are only a few qualities that have contributed to a decrease in criminal activity against persons in our area. While we have seen a small spike in certain crimes, the Ocean City Police Department remains dedicated to keeping visitors and citizens of Ocean City safe.

Our duty as police officers is not limited to patrolling the streets of Ocean City, but also to finding proactive ways to keep our community informed which enables them to make better decisions about their safety. In order to succeed in this task, the Ocean City Police Department began a Community Outreach Email Program in November 2008. This program became a quick and cost effective way to reach residents, business and property owners, with press releases and time sensitive messages, as well as important crime prevention tips. This program was expanded in April of 2009 and now includes a comprehensive use of all available internet based social media including the use of: YouTube, Facebook and Twitter. It corresponds to our practice of community policing and our belief in providing the public with information that will allow them to prevent themselves from being the victim of a crime. These programs have been recognized by the International Association of Chiefs of Police as a "2009 Best Practice" and Maryland Community Crime Prevention Institute at the 30th Annual Governor's Crime Prevention Awards luncheon. The Ocean City Police Department received a Governor's Crime Prevention Award for outstanding Proactive Crime Prevention Programs in Maryland.

We look forward to the demands facing us in 2010 and we stand ready to face any challenge that comes between us and our goal of safety for the Town of Ocean City. Our commitment to the community has never been stronger and our dedication to keeping Ocean City secure for our residents and visitors is our highest priority. We are fortunate to serve the people of Ocean City and are ready to maintain our reputation of community commitment for many years to come.

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SECTION II: 2008 Fiscal Affairs AND Uniform Crime Report (UCR)

Ocean City Police Department
4-Year Budget Comparison:

Fiscal Year	Adopted Budget	Actual	Savings
FY 2005	13,450,916	13,194,279	256,637
FY 2006	15,125,176	15,053,746	71,430
FY 2007	16,886,647	16,555,682	330,965
FY 2008	18,722,361	18,233,888	488,473
FY 2009	20,322,088	19,306,872	1,015,216

*Since 2005,
the Ocean City Police Department has produced an overall savings of*

\$2,162,721



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OCEAN City Police DEPARTMENT 2009 Statistical Analysis AS REPORTED IN THE UNIFORM CRIME REPORT (UCR):

This category refers to the report to the F.B.I. each year by the Ocean City Police Department for **SERIOUS** crime.

It is considered as the most relevant for determining a community's crime rate. Included is a comparison between 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005 and 2004 for your information.

Ocean City experienced a 10 % decrease in these offenses in 2009. Crimes against persons decreased 11% while crimes against property decreased 17% in 2009.

CATEGORY	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	% CHANGE
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0%
FORCIBLE RAPE	18	10	15	9	15	3	2	-33%
ROBBERY	40	30	49	32	43	37	23	-37%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	224	196	212	136	84	47	61	+29%
BREAKING/ENTERING	169	150	232	229	188	236	216	-8%
LARCENY/THEFT	1136	1048	978	1100	1067	1183	1057	-11%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	59	48	59	50	39	34	14	-59%
TOTAL OFFENSES	1646	1482	1546	1556	1436	1540	1387	-10%

This category refers to the report to the F.B.I. each year by the Ocean City Police Department for **SERIOUS** crime. The table below is a breakdown of serious crimes by month for 2009.

CATEGORY	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FORCIBLE RAPE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	1	13	3	5	0	0	0	1
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	1	0	3	3	6	13	10	11	8	2	1	3
BREAKING/ENTERING	6	11	14	10	26	43	25	24	25	16	10	6
LARCENY/THEFT	31	13	28	46	81	246	202	217	103	54	22	14
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1	0	0	1	4	8	5	4	2	1	1	1
TOTAL OFFENSES	40	24	45	60	118	323	246	268	138	73	34	25

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2009 CALLS FOR SERVICE:

This category refers to total calls for service generated by citizens. It includes both criminal and non-criminal incidents documented by the Ocean City Police Department. There was a decrease of 2.07 % in calls for service in 2009 compared to 2008.

Calls for Service	Year	% CHANGE
51,909	2004	N/A
54,915	2005	+5.79 %
62,059	2006	+13.00 %
65,902	2007	+6.19%
63,380	2008	-3.82%
62,066	2009	-2.07%

This category refers to the total monthly calls for service in 2009

MONTH	Calls for Service
January	2318
February	1972
March	2494
April	2929
May	6317
June	11,785
July	11,858
August	9608
September	5558
October	3082
November	2082
December	2063

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THE TOP TEN CALLS FOR SERVICE IN 2009:

TOP TEN CALLS FOR SERVICE	2009
TRAFFIC STOP	14,124
BUSINESS CHECK	13,837
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	4,278
ASSIST CITIZEN	3,841
CITY ORDINANCE VIOLATION	3,180
911 Hang Up	3,356
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	2,594
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	2,251
ASSIST EMS	2,213
ALCOHOL VIOLATIONS-OPEN CONTAINER	1,418

TOP TEN CALLS FOR SERVICE: 2009	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
TRAFFIC STOP	796	715	790	919	1836	1933	2139	1643	1399	1002	551	400
BUSINESS CHECK	1145	911	863	804	1065	1550	1900	1414	1076	1155	823	1130
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	49	42	54	107	593	1238	874	728	426	98	32	37
ASSIST CITIZEN	90	75	105	172	422	836	881	599	342	142	88	89
CITY ORDINANCE VIOLATION	14	21	22	78	253	756	1091	736	200	26	21	11
911 Hang Up	73	92	128	157	268	560	698	701	281	136	153	109
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	125	102	124	120	219	412	443	386	244	161	140	118
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	131	121	138	117	198	257	349	221	216	124	128	251
ASSIST EMS	62	73	85	108	174	346	440	412	244	124	68	77
ALCOHOL VIOLATIONS-OPEN CONTAINER	1	2	1	10	146	633	361	196	47	12	5	4

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2009 TOTAL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS:

This category refers to ALL arrests made by the department, regardless of the crime. Included in this category would be municipal or ordinance arrests for crimes such as noise, as well as more serious crimes such as robbery, breaking /entering, rape, etc. (Not Including Alcohol Enforcement)

YEAR	ARRESTS	All TRAFFIC & CRIMINAL CITATIONS, WARNINGS AND Equipment Repair Orders	TOTAL
2004	4,362	22,710	27,072
2005	4,774	22,548	27,322
2006	3,695	18,381	22,076
2007	3,983	18,300	22,283
2008	3,503	19,508	23,011
2009	3571	15,926	19,497

2009 Monthly Total Enforcement Action: (Not Including Alcohol Enforcement)

MONTH	ARRESTS	CITATIONS	TOTAL
January	106	780	886
February	89	772	861
March	141	856	997
April	153	1029	1182
May	305	2053	2358
June	1032	2410	3442
July	628	2334	2962
August	520	2118	2638
September	281	1573	1854
October	158	1001	1159
November	83	634	708
December	75	366	441

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ASSISTING OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES:

The OCPD is committed to working with other allied agencies. We take pride in knowing neighboring jurisdictions as well as other state, local and federal agencies from all over have relied on the OCPD to provide support when needed.

The type of support varies from the use of our police K9 group, mounted patrol officers or our Quick Response Team. The OCPD Traffic Safety Unit has provided fatal accident reconstructionists to assist other agencies with serious and fatal automobile collision investigations.

Our Criminal Investigators, both General Assignment and Narcotics personnel, have been instrumental in assisting other agencies with a variety of investigation.

No matter what the task, our personnel have a proven reputation of reliability, professionalism and dedication. *Note: Beginning December 23 and ending December 25, 2009, the OCPD provided 24 police personnel to assist Wicomico County Sheriff's Office with the investigation, search and recovery of a missing child. These 24 police officers all volunteered. This is not captured in the chart below.*

ASSIST OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES	NUMBER OF SERVICE CALLS
2004	222
2005	249
2006	286
2007	339
2008	379
2009	400

MONTH	NUMBER OF CALLS TO ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES in 2009	MONTH	NUMBER OF CALLS TO ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES In 2009
January	28	July	32
February	24	August	45
March	19	September	52
April	19	October	28
May	42	November	37
June	39	December	30

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2009 Total Related Alcohol Citations:

YEAR	ALCOHOL CITATIONS	%CHANGE
2003	3549	17%
2004	2973	-16.23%
2005	3376	+13.56%
2006	2196	-34.95%
2007	1488	-32.24%
2008	1508	+1.34%
2009	1710	+13.39%

ALCOHOL CITATIONS BY MONTH FOR 2009						
	18-20 Years Old		Juvenile		Adult	
	Minor In Possession	Possess Fake ID	Minor In Possession	Possess Fake ID	Open Container	
JAN	3	0	2	0	0	
FEB	3	0	0	0	0	
MAR	6	0	0	0	1	
APR	5	1	15	0	13	
MAY	45	1	15	0	13	
JUN	857	10	169	0	50	
JUL	142	48	22	0	45	
AUG	56	24	14	0	21	
SEP	3	0	1	0	3	
OCT	3	0	4	0	0	
NOV	4	0	0	0	1	
DEC	1	0	10	0	0	
Sub Totals	1131	83	256	0	135	
TOTALS	1211		256		135	

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2009 TOTAL ARRESTS AND THEIR CATEGORIES:

Drunken Driving Arrests:

This category refers to the total number of Driving While Intoxicated arrests made.

YEAR	DWI ARRESTS
2009	368

CDS Arrests:

This category refers to the total number of Controlled Dangerous Substance (CDS) or drug arrests made by all members of the department in 2009.

YEAR	ARRESTS
2004	827
2005	785
2006	728
2007	755
2008	777
2009	839

CDS Arrests by Month:

This category refers to the monthly total number of drug arrests made by all members of the Department in 2009.

MONTH	ARRESTS	MONTH	ARRESTS
January	30	July	122
February	13	August	134
March	20	September	32
April	30	October	9
May	58	November	14
June	300	December	15

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Weapons Arrests:

This category refers to the arrests made for various types of weapons, including, but not limited to: guns, knives, bats, and other instruments defined as weapons by the State of Maryland.

YEAR	ARRESTS
2004	65
2005	63
2006	64
2007	38
2008	42
2009	73

Weapons Arrests by Month:

This category refers to the arrests made for various types of weapons, including, but not limited to; guns, knives, bats, and other instruments defined as weapons by the State of Maryland.

MONTH	ARRESTS	MONTH	ARRESTS
January	0	July	16
February	0	August	11
March	3	September	5
April	3	October	2
May	8	November	1
June	24	December	0



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Officers Assaulted in 2009:

This category refers to police officers who were physically assaulted in the line of duty. Assaults may be in the form of weapons and/or physical violence, and may or may not result in injury to the officer(s) involved.

YEAR	OFFICERS ASSAULTED
2004	74
2005	144
2006	65
2007	100
2008	56
2009	62

Officers Assaulted Monthly:

This category refers to police officers who were physically assaulted in the line of duty. Assaults may be in the form of weapons and/or physical violence, and may or may not result in injury to the officer(s) involved.

MONTH	OFFICERS ASSAULTED	MONTH	OFFICERS ASSAULTED
January	3	July	7
February	2	August	6
March	1	September	3
April	4	October	2
May	7	November	2
June	24	December	1



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Noise Complaints 2009:

This category refers to the total number of noise complaints (both founded and unfounded) handled by the department through 2009.

YEAR	CALLS FOR SERVICE
2004	351
2005	382
2006	430
2007	373
2008	538
2009	629

Noise Complaints by Month:

This category refers to the monthly number of noise complaints (both founded and unfounded) handled by the department in 2009.

MONTH	NOISE COMPLAINTS	MONTH	NOISE COMPLAINTS
January	6	July	134
February	2	August	74
March	7	September	33
April	17	October	10
May	101	November	7
June	233	December	5



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2009 Reportable Traffic Collisions:

This category refers to the total number of traffic accidents (both property damage and personal injury) which occurred in Ocean City.

YEAR	ACCIDENTS	% CHANGE	FATALS
2004	656	+25 %	2
2005	595	-9.30%	1
2006	637	+7.05 %	2
2007	647	+1.57 %	1
2008	552	-14.68%	1
2009	584	+5.79%	2

2009 Reportable Traffic Collisions Monthly:

This category refers to the monthly total number of traffic accidents (both property damage and personal injury) which occurred in Ocean City in 2009.

MONTH	ACCIDENTS	MONTH	ACCIDENTS
January	12	July	116
February	7	August	97
March	25	September	61
April	21	October	20
May	65	November	22
June	131	December	7



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Pedestrian Traffic Related Collision:
Increased pedestrian safety continues to be a goal of the department.

YEAR	PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	FATALS
2004	44	1
2005	35	1
2006	52	0
2007	47	1
2008	28	2
2009	36	0

Monthly Pedestrian Collisions:
Increased pedestrian safety continues to be a goal of the department in 2009.

MONTH	PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	FATALS	MONTH	PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	FATALS
January	0	0	July	8	0
February	0	0	August	5	0
March	0	0	September	4	0
April	2	0	October	2	0
May	8	0	November	0	0
June	7	0	December	0	0

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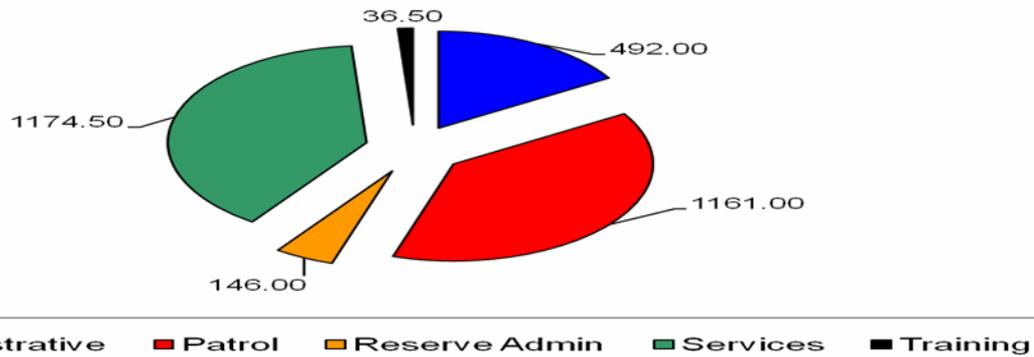
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OCPD Reserve Officer Program:

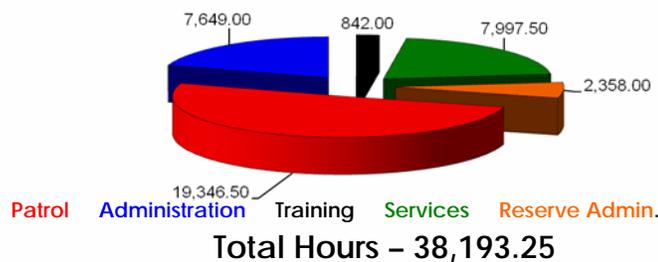
Since 1998, the OCPD has maintained volunteer civilians trained to support the Police Department and serve the citizens of Ocean City. These citizens provide volunteer services to supplement regular law enforcement personnel in the performance of specific duties in crucially operational areas such as:

- PSB Administrative Support at the Front Desk, Records & Human Resources, Community Services, Property Section, Mayor's Open House, Domestic Violence Court Advocate
- Criminal Investigation Division Support, Support to Administrative Staff, Communications
 - Front Desk, R.A.A.M. Program, Citizen's Police Academy
- Training and Recruiting, Baltimore Avenue Detail, Boardwalk Sub-Station Information Officer, Ride-A-Long Program, Watch Your Car Program, N. Division & Baltimore Ave., Special Call-Outs and Mounted Patrol Stable Duty.

2009 Reserve Officer Contribution total: 3,010 hours of service



Total Reserve Hours 5/99 – 12/09



Economic Benefit to the Taxpayers of Ocean City

Since 1999, the Reserve Officer Force has provided **38,193.25** hours of service to the OCPD & the Town of Ocean City.

This has resulted in savings* (not including overtime pay) over the past 11 years totaling **\$1,254,233.75**

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SECTION III: DIVISIONAL OVERVIEW

Administrative Division

The Administrative Division is commanded by Captain Kevin Kirstein and Lieutenant Richard Currence. An additional member of the Administrative Division is Lieutenant Greg Guiton, who serves as the administrator of the Professional Standards Office. As a whole, the Administrative Division is responsible for several key operational aspects of the OCPD. The following operations fall under this



Kevin Kirstein

Richard Currence

division:

- *Fiscal Affairs*
- *Human Resources*
- *Public Affairs Office*
- *Training and Recruiting*

2009 Administrative Division Highlights

- Managed an almost \$20 million budget
- Recruited approximately 750 applicants from 65+ institutions
 - Tested almost 400 applicants
 - Performed over 100 background investigations
- Administered over 200 training orders
- OCPD personnel completed over 18,000 hours of training
- OCPD instructors delivered over 1,000 hours of training
- Managed 38 employees on restricted duty
- Conducted promotional process
- Managed 14 grants totaling \$832,512
- Reduced training overtime by 80% resulting in \$80,000 savings

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Regular	192,778.97	211,359.20	201,371.18	202,650.42	191,020.71
Premium	767,059.33	937,715.45	921,232.38	991,234.72	1,071,713.17
Total	959,838.30	1,149,074.65	1,122,603.56	1,193,885.14	1,262,733.88

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Criminal Investigation Division (CID)

The Criminal Investigation Division is commanded by Captain Robert Bokinsky and Lieutenant Mark Pacini. The following operations fall under this division:

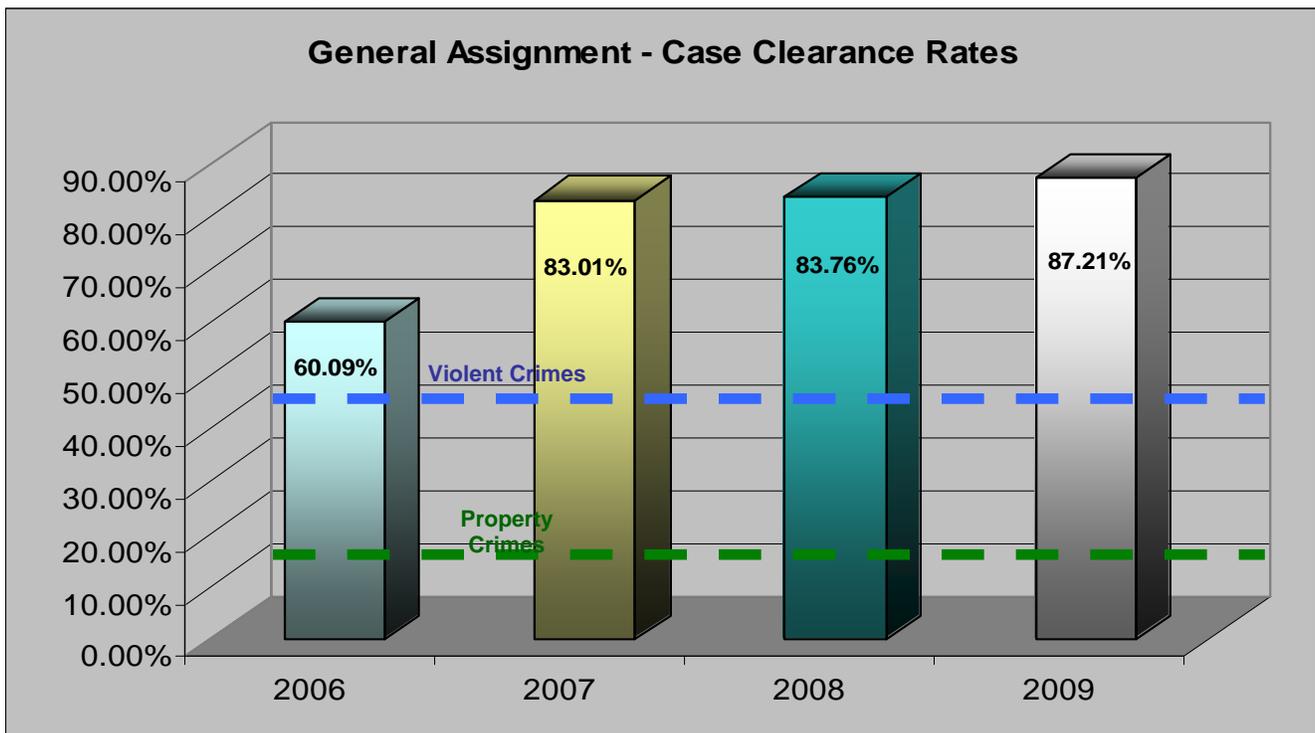
- *Forensic Services*
- *General Assignment*
- *Vice/Narcotics*



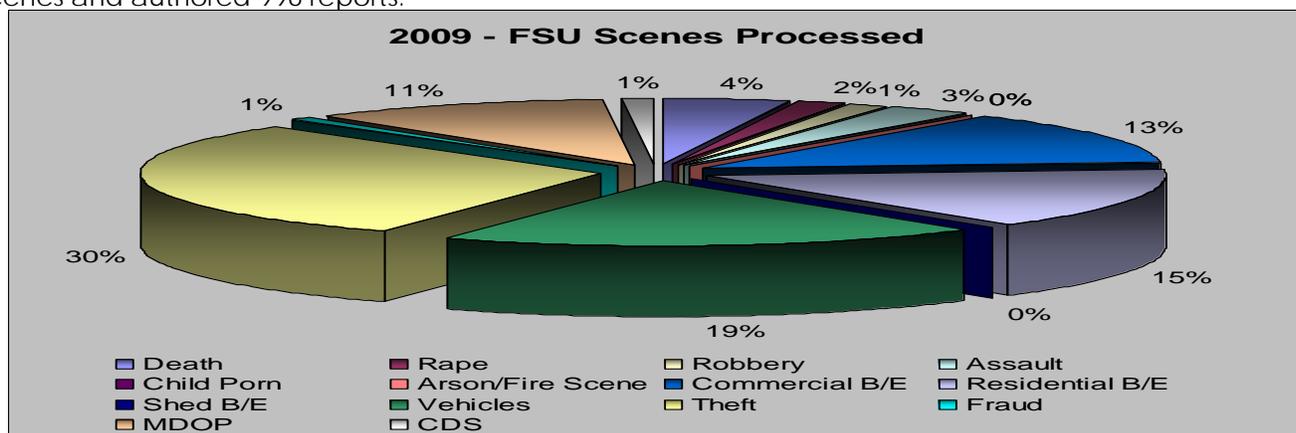
Robert Bokinsky

Mark Pacini

Nationwide (2007 FBI-UCR), law enforcement successfully clears 44.5% of violent crimes and 16.5% of property crimes by arrest or exceptional means. As demonstrated above, the case clearance rate of the OCPD's General Assignment Section is well above the national average and continues to grow.



The pie graph above visually represents the distribution of crime scenes processed by FSU during 2009. Crimes against property accounted for 89% of their field work. They physically processed 161 crime scenes and authored 996 reports.



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Patrol Division

The Patrol Division is commanded by Captain Michael Colbert and Lieutenant Richard Moreck. Patrol provides the initial response to calls for services and works 24 hours a day to prevent crime. It is the largest group of the OCPD, having almost two thirds of officers assigned in it, and is made of several specialty groups and enforcement details.



Michael Colbert

Richard Moreck

- Patrol Specialty Groups
 - *Bike Patrol*
 - *K9*
 - *Mounted Patrol*
 - *Quick Response Team*
 - *Traffic Safety Unit*
- Specialty Enforcement Details
 - *DUI Enforcement*
 - *Pedestrian Safety Detail*
 - *Plain Clothes Patrol*
 - *School Bus Detail*
 - *Transit/Bus Detail*
 - *Violence Against Women*

Services Division

The Services Division provides the support necessary for the efficient performance of the rest of the Police Department. The commanders of the Services Division are Captain Victor Bunting and Lieutenant Robert Noll. The following operations fall under this division: Building and vehicle/Fleet Maintenance, Front Desk/Cell block and Detention, Property/Evidence Section and Records Section:



Victor Bunting

Robert Noll

2009 Police Services Desk & Detention Section

Processing and security of all prisoners, phone and walk-in reports, tow releases, and process taxi applications as well as facilities maintenance.

- 2,938 Prisoners processed
- 633 District Court Committals/Detainer's which were transferred to the Worcester County Jail
- Streamlined booking process which allowed for reallocation of 8 Public Safety Aids to perform other jobs (i.e. parking enforcement)

2009 Record Section Highlights

- 8,089 Police Reports
- 10,120 Traffic Citations & Emergency Equipment Repair Orders
- 983 Vehicles Impounds
- 3,161 Field Contacts were manually processed

Property Section

- Retention and storage of all case evidence, including narcotics
- Quarter Master of all uniforms and equipment for agency
- Ordering and dispersal of all agency office supplies

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SECTION V: 2010 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The primary goal of the Ocean City Police Department is to provide a secure, crime-free environment for our citizens and visitors. The Ocean City Police Department is determined to maintain our core objectives, *Professionalism, High Visibility and Strict Enforcement of the Law*, and to provide a high quality of life for the community. As we approach a new year and a new decade, the Ocean City Police Department has decided to set the bar higher with some fresh new goals for the new year.

- **Goal: Professionalism:**
 - Objective:
 - To improve the level of professional standards within the Ocean City Police Department and to maintain a mutually beneficial relationship with selected entities that promotes openness and a spirit of cooperation for our citizens and visitors. To create written procedural guidelines and standard operating instruction for all specialty units. The implementation of these new regulations will be the foundation for improving and maintaining the operational effectiveness of the Ocean City Police Department.

- **Goal: High Visibility:**
 - Objective:
 - Studies have shown when more police are visible less crime occurs. Chief DiPino's final goal is three parted. Its called the "Three D's of Crime Fighting" which include: DETECT, DETER, and DETAIN. The three D's are vital in empowering the citizens of Ocean City to not be a victim of a crime.
 - First the police, with help from citizens, will "Detect" criminal activity. The purpose of this goal is to detect a crime before it occurs.
 - Secondly with high visibility, the police and neighborhood watch groups will "Deter" criminal activity. With strong community policing tactics and help from neighborhood watch groups, we hope to dissuade individuals from committing a crime in the Ocean City community.
 - Lastly, making a strong case in court and with conviction from the States Attorney's Office will "Detain" violent offenders from returning to our streets which will help keep Ocean City a safer and stronger community.