
ELKO NEW MARKET POLICE DEPARTMENT



ANNUAL REPORT 2024

CHIEF'S MESSAGE

The Elko New Market Police Department has undergone significant growth and transition, marked by both challenges and achievements. 2024 was a year of growth and change.

The Department continued to prioritize responsible growth to provide greater shift coverage and to keep up with increased demand as the city grows. The department, using State of Minnesota Public Safety Grant funds, hired an additional officer in 2024 with the goal of moving closer to perpetual 24/7 police coverage for the city.

However, amidst progress, the department bid farewell to Chief Juell, who left to become the Chief of Police with the Savage Police Department. His departure, while regrettable, underscores the dynamic nature of law enforcement careers.

Sgt. Bell was promoted to Chief of Police to replace Chief Juell and Senior Officer Gareis was promoted to Sergeant to fill that vacancy. This left one unfilled growth position that is expected to be filled in 2025.

In April, 2024, Officer Daniel Barry joined the force, bringing valuable experience from the Watford City, ND Police Department.

In February, 2024, Part-Time Officer Wirtz retired from law enforcement after 8 years of service with the department. Officer Wirtz will be missed greatly by the Department as well as the residents of Elko New Market.

Total incidents handled (category includes all officer activity including calls for service, traffic stops, extra patrols, community engagements, etc...) grew significantly due to increased staffing levels. Officers are very active in community engagement, traffic enforcement, and extra patrols in the neighborhoods, at the parks, and doing business checks after hours. Also of note: calls for service from the community increased 2% in 2024 and has risen each of the past 3 years.

Additionally, the department continued its commitment to firearm safety by processing citizens' applications for Permits to Purchase Firearms. The Department processed 34 Permit to Purchase applications in 2024 which is on par with what it processed in 2023. The Department continues to process them normally within 1 to 2 days, demonstrating a dedication to service excellence.

Guided by its Vision and Mission Statements, the Elko New Market Police Department remains steadfast in its pursuit of delivering community-centered public safety services. Through valued partnerships and a dedicated workforce, the department remains poised to evolve alongside the communities it serves.

DEPARTMENT STAFF

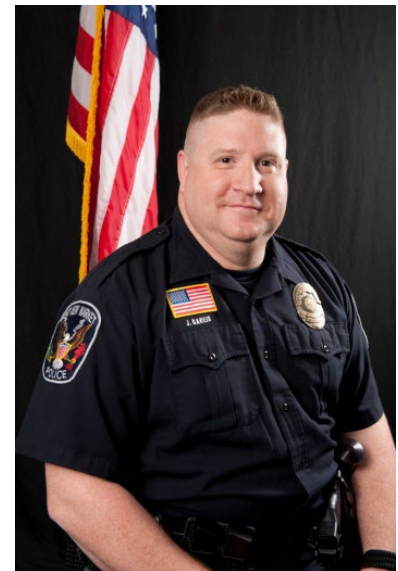
CHIEF OF POLICE CRAIG BELL

- Police Officer with Elko New Market since 2010
- 19 years of law enforcement experience.
- Chief Law Enforcement Officer since 2024
- Oversight of Patrol and Investigations functions.
- Certified Firearms Instructor.
- Datamaster DMT Breath Alcohol Analyzer Certified.
- Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Minnesota State University- Moorhead.
- Certified Emergency Manager – State of MN.
- Graduate of the BCA Supervision and Senior Leadership Programs.



SERGEANT JOSH GAREIS

- Police Officer with Elko New Market since 2016.
- 18 years law enforcement experience.
- Patrol Sergeant since 2024
- Former SWAT Team with Traverse County Sheriff's Office.
- AR-15 rifle Armorer.
- Certified Firearms Instructor.
- Certified Use of Force Instructor
- Investigations oversight.
- Department Training Coordinator.
- Patrol Schedule Coordinator.
- Field Training Sergeant/Coordinator.
- Datamaster DMT Breath Alcohol Analyzer Certified.
- Bachelor's Degree in Business Management from the University of Phoenix.
- Graduate of the BCA Supervision Program



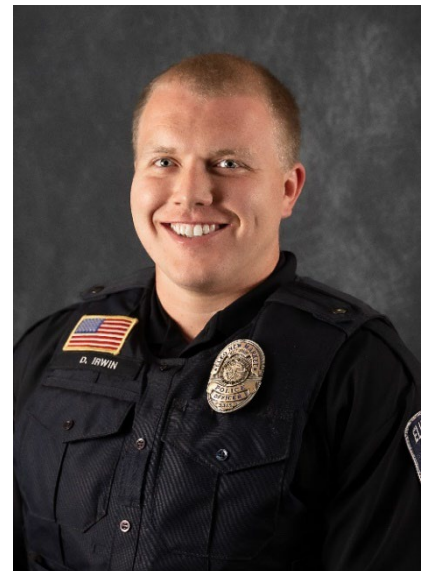
OFFICER JOHN MACHABY

- Police Officer with Elko New Market since 2014.
- 16 years of law enforcement experience.
- Department Administrative Officer since 2023.
- Department Records Management System Administrator & Trainer.
- Department Squad and Body Camera System Administrator.
- Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Certified.
- Datamaster DMT Breath Alcohol Analyzer Certified.
- Retired U.S. Military Commissioned Officer with 25 years of active-duty service.
- Part time city employee.



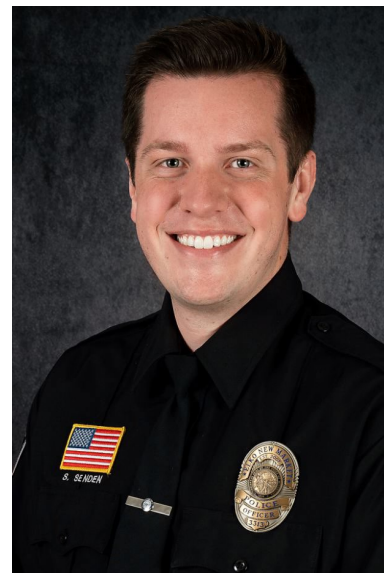
OFFICER DERRICK IRWIN

- Police Officer with Elko New Market since 2022.
- Previously a Hennepin and Scott County Detention Deputy.
- Bachelor's Degree from Minnesota State University.
- Datamaster DMT Breath Alcohol Analyzer Certified.
- Taser Instructor.
- Field Training Officer.
- Use of Force Instructor.



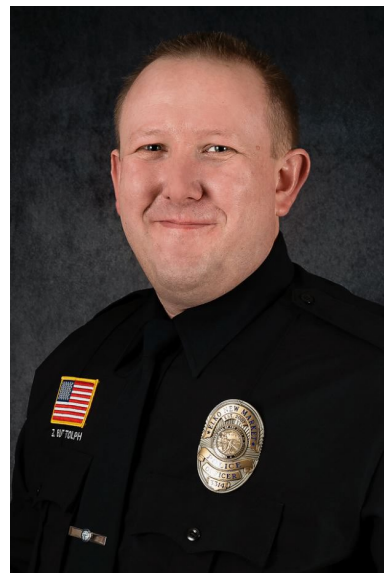
OFFICER STEVEN SENDEN

- Police Officer with Elko New Market since 2023.
- Previously a Carver County Sheriff's Office Road and Jail Deputy.
- Bachelor's Degree in Law Enforcement from Minnesota State University Mankato.
- Datamaster DMT Breath Alcohol Analyzer Certified.
- Department Quartermaster in charge of uniform, officer, and squad equipment.



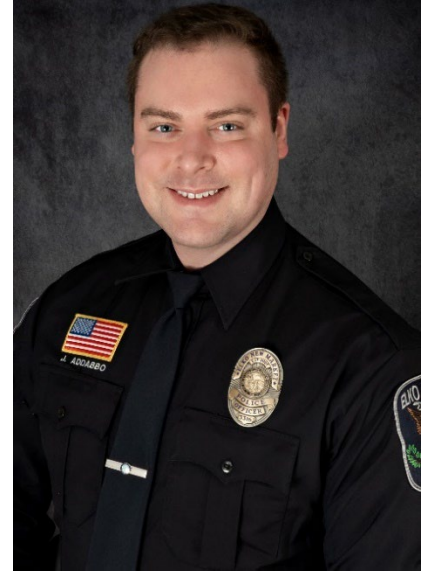
OFFICER ZACH BUTTOLPH

- Police Officer with Elko New Market since 2023.
- Previously City of Maplewood Police Department Community Service Officer
- Previous Experience in Loss Prevention/Asset Protection for 3 years
- Bachelors of Science Degree in Political Science from Principia College in Illinois
- Datamaster DMT Breath Alcohol Analyzer Certified.
- Department Peer Support Team member.
- Department Wellness Program Coordinator.
- TZD Coordinator for the Department.



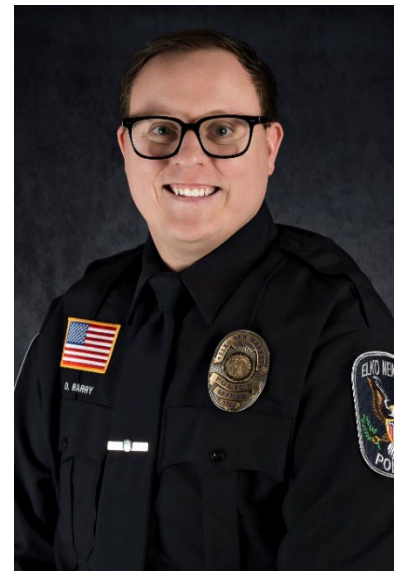
OFFICER JEFF ADDABBO

- Police Officer with Elko New Market since 2023.
- Previously employed as a Police Officer for Apple Valley PD.
- Bachelor's Degree Criminology and Psychology from Iowa State University
- Datamaster DMT Breath Alcohol Analyzer Certified.



OFFICER DANIEL BARRY

- Police Officer with Elko New Market since 2024.
- Previously Watford City, ND Police Officer for 5 years
- Department Peer Support Team member.
- Department Crisis Intervention Trainer.
- Certified in Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM).



POLICE CHAPLAIN GORDON DEUEL

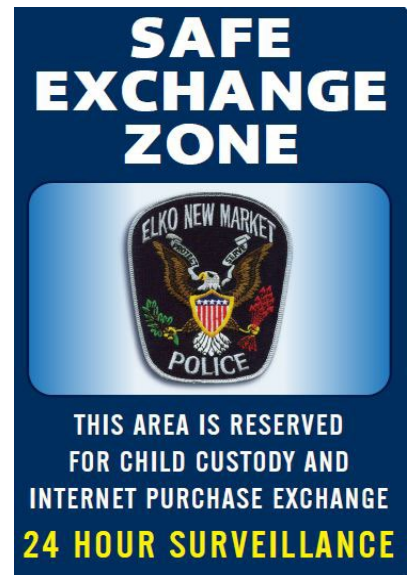
- Elko New Market Police Chaplain since 2017.
- Helped design and create the current Chaplain Program.
- Completed Basic Chaplaincy Training by the MN Emergency Service Chaplain Association-2018
- Other Completed programs:
 - Bulletproof Spirit Seminar for Police Chaplains - by Capt. Dan Willis; 2017
 - Scott County Emergency Readiness Program for Faith Based Communities 2019
 - Basic, advanced, and enhanced courses offered by the International Conference of Police Chaplains 2019



SAFE EXCHANGE ZONE

The Safe Exchange Zone space was added to the front of the Elko New Market City Hall/Police Department building in 2020 for the purpose of offering a safe place for people to meet to do internet purchase and child custody exchanges.

The stalls have been well used and are under security camera surveillance. The stalls are also located near the City Hall front vestibule that houses a dedicated landline that direct dials the Scott County Sheriff's Dispatch. The telephone is accessible 24/7.

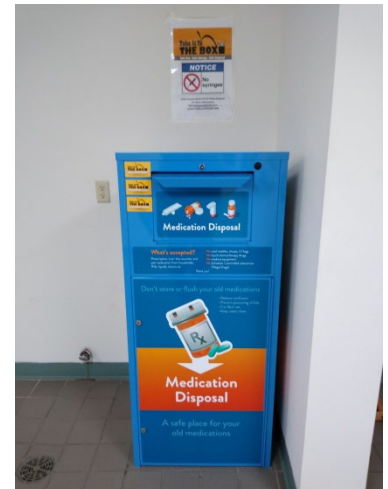


TAKE IT TO THE BOX

Take it to the box, an anonymous prescription drug disposal program, was made available to Elko New Market by a program sponsored by the Scott County Attorney's Office. The secured disposal box is located at City Hall and is accessible **M-F 8am to 4:30pm**.

This popular program helps ensure prescriptions are used only by the person to whom they are prescribed and helps prevent environmental damage caused by flushing or improperly disposing of medications.

In **2024**, **84lbs** of prescription medications were collected at this location.



NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS & ACTIVITIES

Increase in staffing and changes in personnel

2024 was a year of change regarding department personnel. Using funding allocated to the City via a Public Safety Bill from the State of Minnesota, the Department added an additional officer (Officer Daniel Barry), to help enable the department achieve its goal of 24/7 police coverage. Officer Barry previously worked at the Watford City (ND) police department where he most recently served as a School Resource Officer and Investigator.

Chief Brady Juell left the department after nearly 5 years of service to become the Chief of Police at the Savage Police Department. Sergeant Craig Bell was promoted to Chief in June to replace Chief Juell and Officer Gareis was promoted to Sergeant in December. The department is allocated one additional officer and will fill that opening in 2025.

Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) and Minnesota Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) audits

The State of Minnesota conducted a Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) audit of the Police Department (conducted approximately every 3 years) over the course of a couple months to ensure the Department was meeting mandates pertaining to the protection and dissemination of sensitive criminal justice information. The Department passed the audit and, in the process, identified opportunities for improvement pertaining to Internet Technology (IT) and training.

The Minnesota Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) conducted an audit (normally conducted every 3 years) of the Police Department to ensure the Department and all of its officers are meeting the training, reporting, and conduct standards set forth by the POST Board. The Department passed the audit without any issues noted.

TRAINING

The MN Peace Officer Standards & Training Board (POST) requires every officer to complete 48 hours of continuing education every three years in order for an officer to maintain an active peace officer license. Training is necessary and beneficial for an officer to keep updated on current laws, policies, procedures, and practices in the law enforcement field.

Below are some of the specific training courses and instruction that officers received in 2023. Officers attended approximately 500 hours of continuing education and training this past year.

All officers have attended mandated mental health, bias, and de-escalation training.

- Staff continued utilizing the PATROL On-line training provided by the League of MN Cities. Cost is \$90 a year per officer and covers all mandated training required each year for officers set forth by the MN POST Board and OSHA.
- Staff participated in all yearly mandated training in the areas of Use of Force and Use of Deadly Force.
- Staff completed quarterly firearms training including qualification with handgun and long gun, and low light/cold weather.
- Officers Buttolph and Addabbo attended Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERRT)
- All officers attended Taser training class.
- Sgt. Gareis and Officers Senden, Buttolph, Addabbo, and Barry recertified as Emergency Medical Responders.
- Sgt. Gareis attended the REID school of Interview and Interrogation.
- Officer Irwin attended Field Training Officer school.
- Chief Bell attended Emergency Vehicle Operation Course training.
- Officers Addabbo and Irwin attended Interview and Interrogation training at the MN BCA.
- Chief Bell graduated from the FBI LEEDA Supervisor Leadership Institute as well as the FBI LEEDA Executive Leadership Institute.

TECHNOLOGY

Today's Law Enforcement Officers use technology daily to do their jobs. Below is some of the technology Officers use each day. This technology is at the heart of our daily duties. Each squad is equipped with a Panasonic "Toughbook" laptop computer. These are referred to as mobile data computers or "MDC's". Officers use these MDCs to run license plates and names and receive each call they are assigned via the MDC in addition to the information they are given on the radios by the dispatchers. Each laptop costs approximately **\$2,500** and is connected by cellular signal to the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) center and the State of MN computer servers.

The Department will be exploring technology upgrades in 2025 to meet new criminal justice information services (CJIS) requirements that will taking affect. It will also be exploring moving to cloud-based data storage for squad and body camera systems versus outdated on premise servers.

- Each squad is equipped with "WatchGuard" digital video recorder system referred to simply as "squad cams". These systems activate automatically when the squad emergency lights are activated and manually when the officer feels it necessary. Each of these systems costs approximately **\$5,500**.
- Each officer is assigned a "WatchGuard" Body Worn Camera or "BWC." These cameras activate automatically when the squad emergency lights are activated and manually when the officer feels it necessary. Each of these BWC's costs approximately **\$1,000**.
- Each squad is equipped with Radar Speed detection unit. These units have two antennas, one to the front and rear of the vehicle. They use radar waves to determine vehicle speeds. Officers detect speed readings of vehicles coming or going from the squad while either stationary or moving. Each one of these Radar Units costs approximately **\$2,500**.
- Each officer has access to a handheld speed detection unit known as a Lidar. Lidar units use lasers to project a specific tight wave to detect a vehicle's speed. This unit, due to the tighter laser technology, is capable of detecting specific speeds between two vehicles traveling next to each other. These units are only used in stationary mode. These units cost **\$2,800**. Elko New Market PD was awarded one of these units under a grant from the MN State Patrol and another was donated from Savage PD when they received a new unit under a grant.
- Every squad is equipped with "Alco-Sensor" Portable Breathalyzer, known commonly as "PBT's". Officers use the PBT's as part of Field Sobriety Testing (FST) as a preliminary determination of an individual's blood alcohol concentration (BAC). Each PBT costs approximately **\$820**.
- The Elko New Market Police Department is equipped with a "DataMaster DMT-G". DataMaster DMT-G is a scientific instrument designed to analyze a sample of a person's breath and determine the Breath Alcohol Concentration (BAC) in that sample. Each Elko New Market officer is trained and certified to use this device. Each DataMaster DMT-G cost approximately **\$7,200**.

POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES

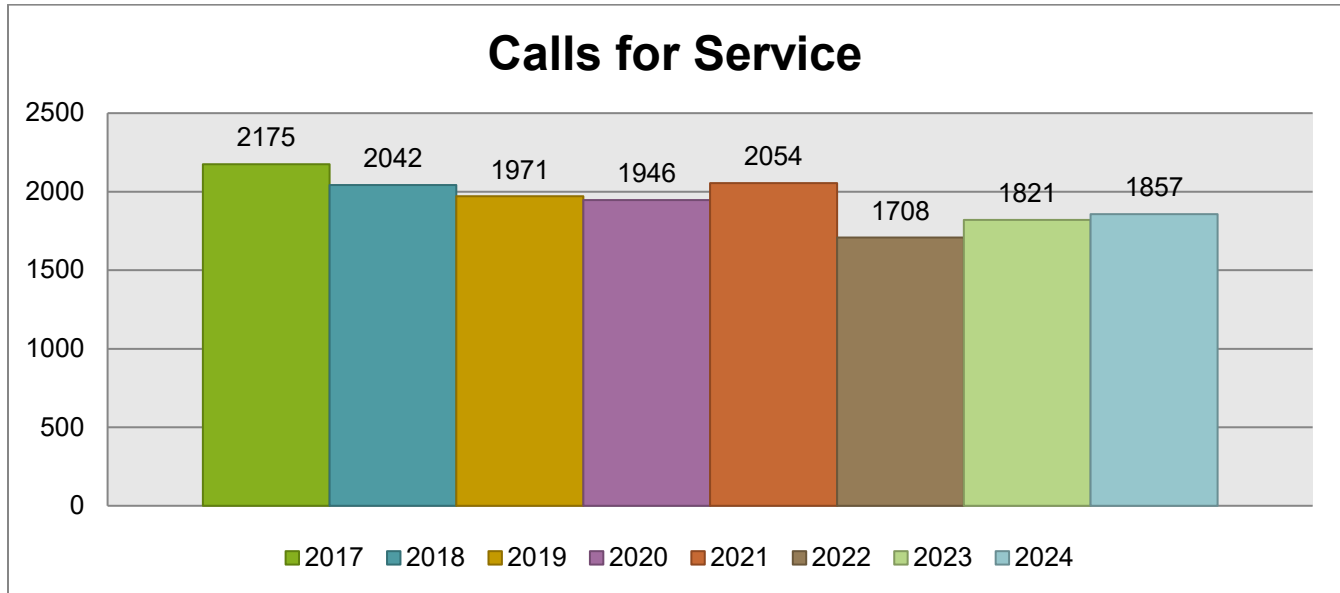
The Elko New Market Police Department has a patrol fleet that consists of four fully marked Squad Cars. These vehicles are specially designed and equipped for the work associated with law enforcement and emergency response. The differences between law enforcement specific vehicles and those built for civilian use include, but are not limited to heavy duty batteries, special tires, heavy duty transmissions, frame impact safety upgrades, and heavy-duty brakes and brake pads. Below are some of the specifics regarding the Police Department Fleet:

- 5 Ford Interceptor Explorers of the following years:
 - Squad 311: 2015 -Unmarked- Used for Traffic Enforcement Details & Training
 - Squad 312: 2017
 - Squad 313: 2020
 - Squad 314: 2021
 - Squad 315: 2023
- All squads assigned to patrol use are fully marked with graphics and exterior/interior emergency lights.
- All squads assigned to patrol use are equipped with the following:
 - Patrol Rifle
 - Less Lethal Shotgun
 - In-squad radar unit
 - In-squad computer and printer
 - Fully equipped medical bag and defibrillator
 - Evidence Kit
 - Bullet Resistance Shield
 - Hostile Event “Go Bag”
 - Equipment Kit that contains a PBT, camera, and voice recorder & tint meter
 - Lockout Tools
 - Fire Extinguisher
 - Blankets
 - Kids Kit containing stuffed animals, pencils, stickers, bubbles, etc.
 - Traffic Control Tools
 - Additional miscellaneous equipment
- A 2025 Ford F-150 (316) was ordered from Tenvoorde Ford in 2024 and is expected to arrive in 2025 to replace squad 312 which will be retired. The squad is expected to cost around \$67,000 once fully equipped with lights, cages and bars, etc... Unfortunately, the costs of new vehicles rose dramatically in the past 2 years. The Department decided to purchase an F-150 vs an Explorer to give its officers more leg room and to diversify the fleet. It will also make it easier to transfer items like found bicycles, traffic cones, and the speed trailer. The cost of the F-150 was the same as a similarly outfitted Explorer.

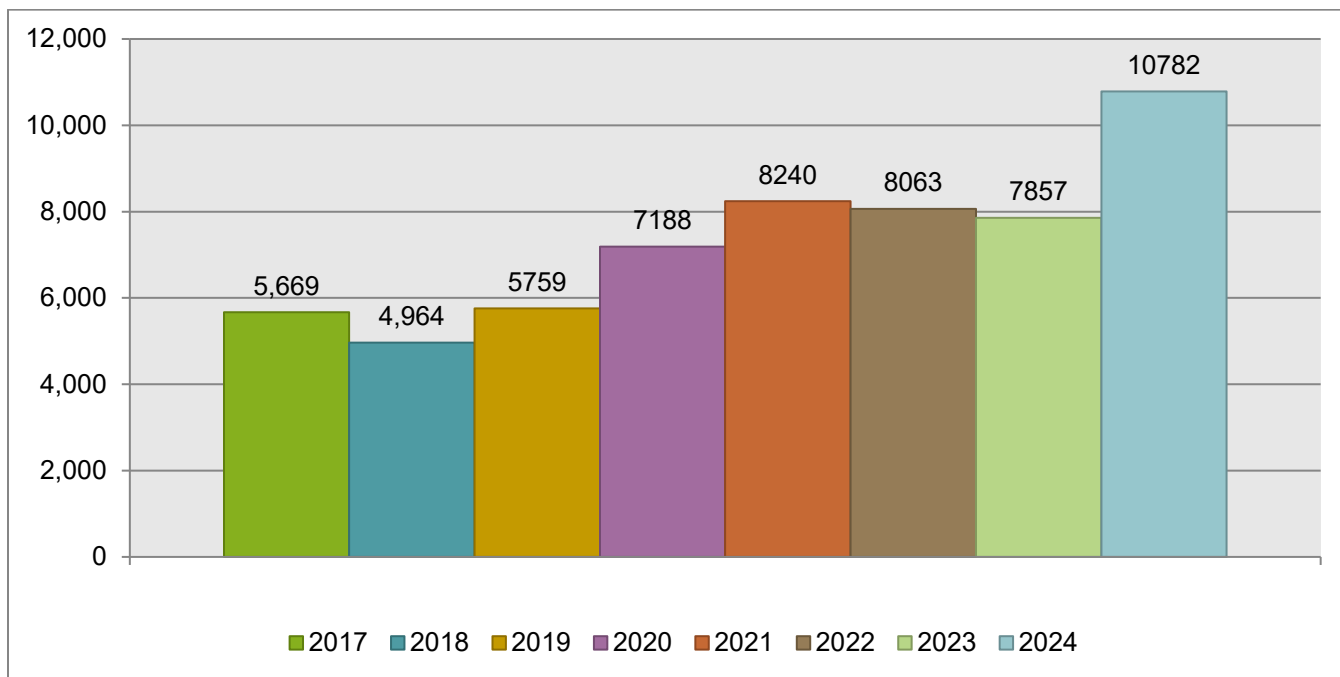
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CALLS FOR SERVICE

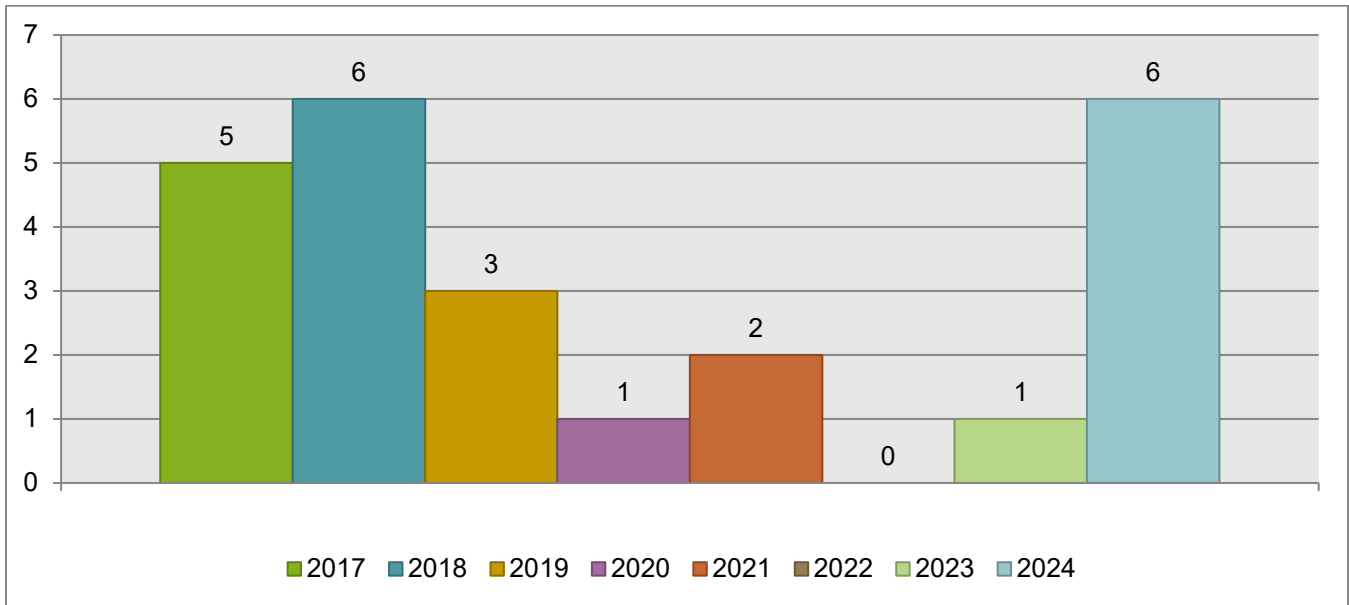
Calls for service include: all crimes, service calls including domestics, traffic accidents, DWI's, assaults, alarms, medicals, thefts, and damage to property calls, civil assists, and animal complaints.



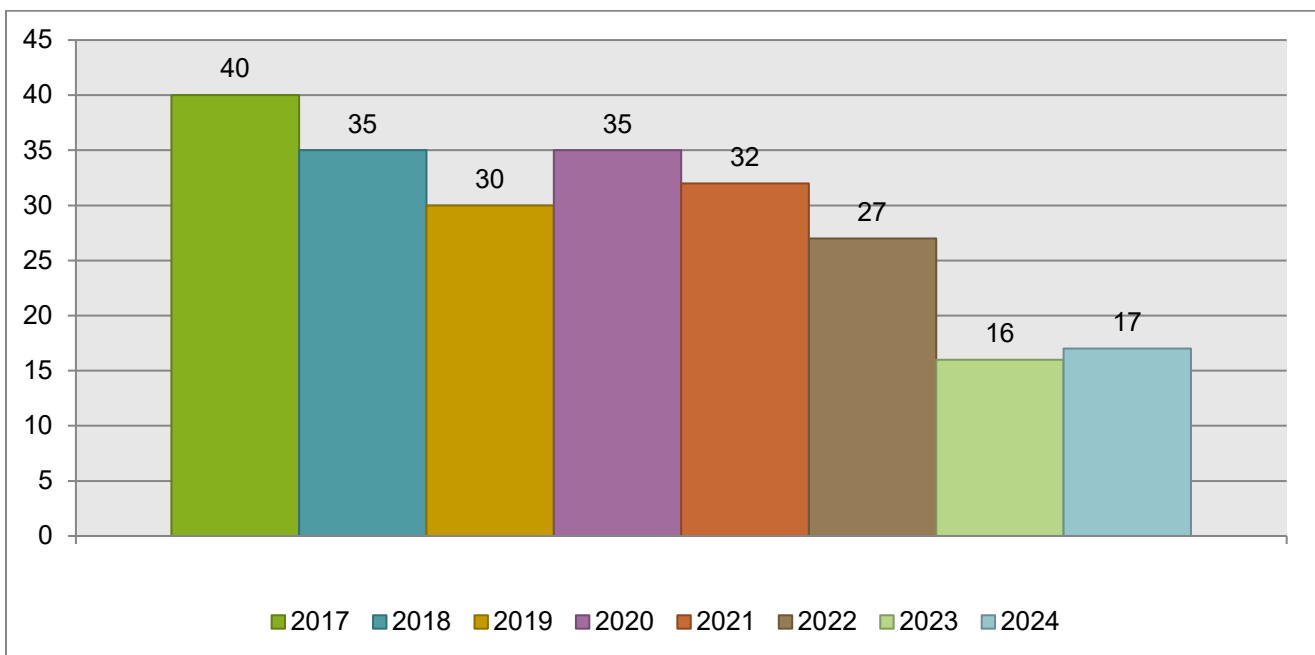
TOTAL INCIDENTS HANDLED



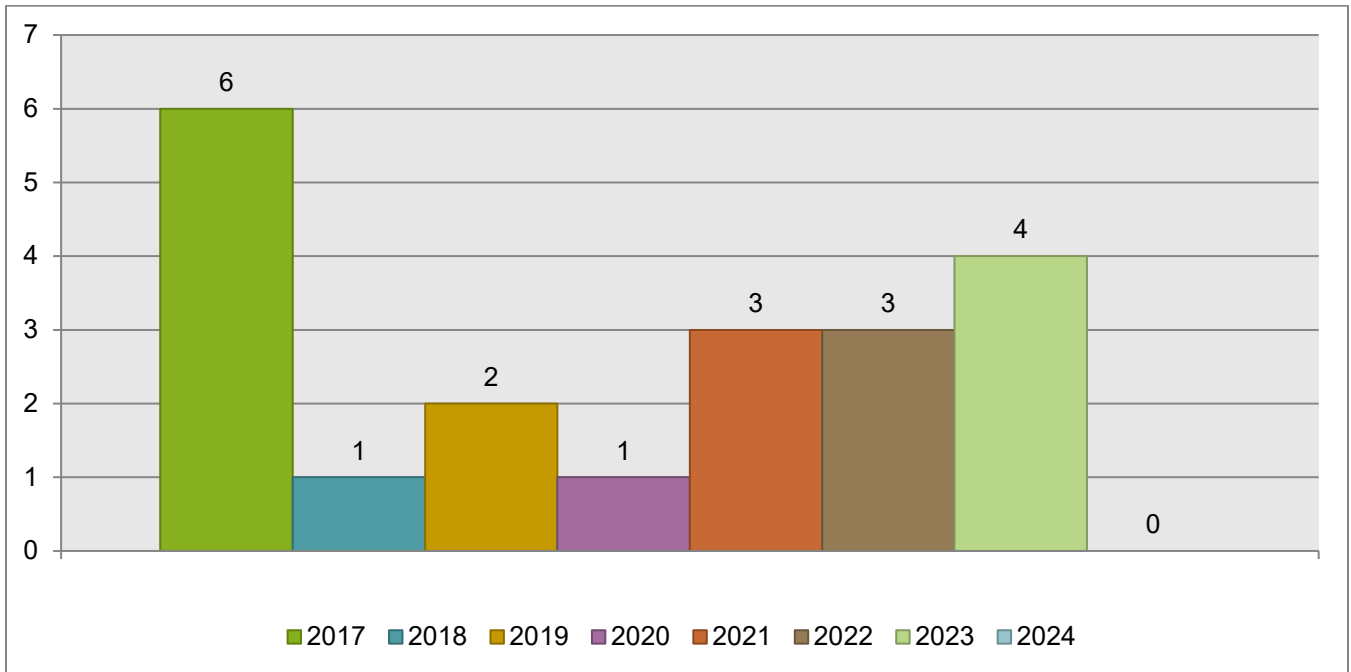
BURGLARY



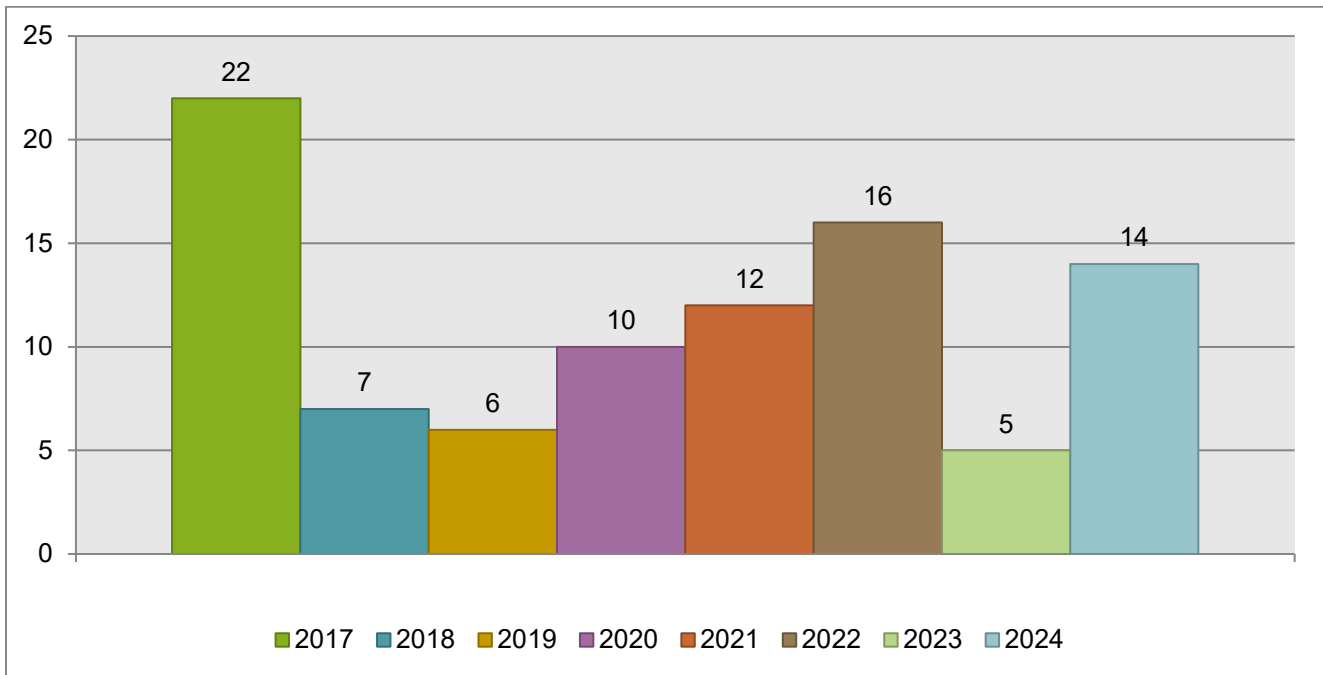
THEFTS



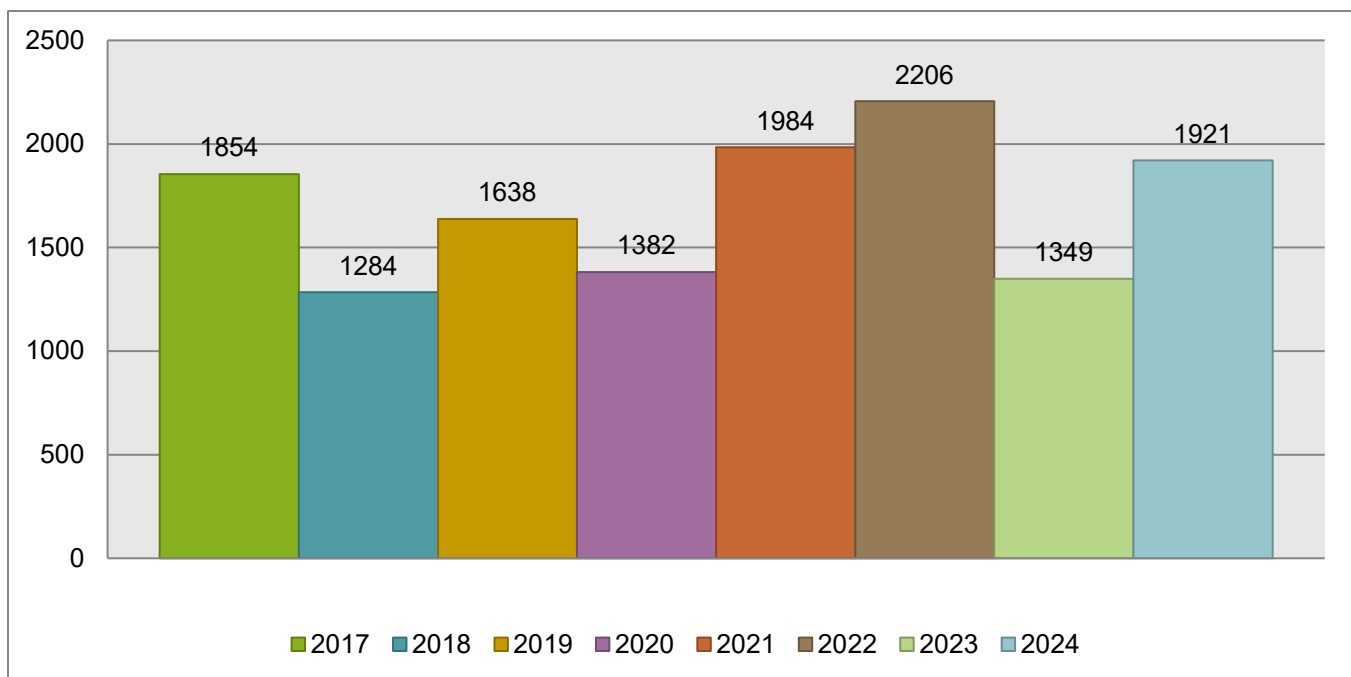
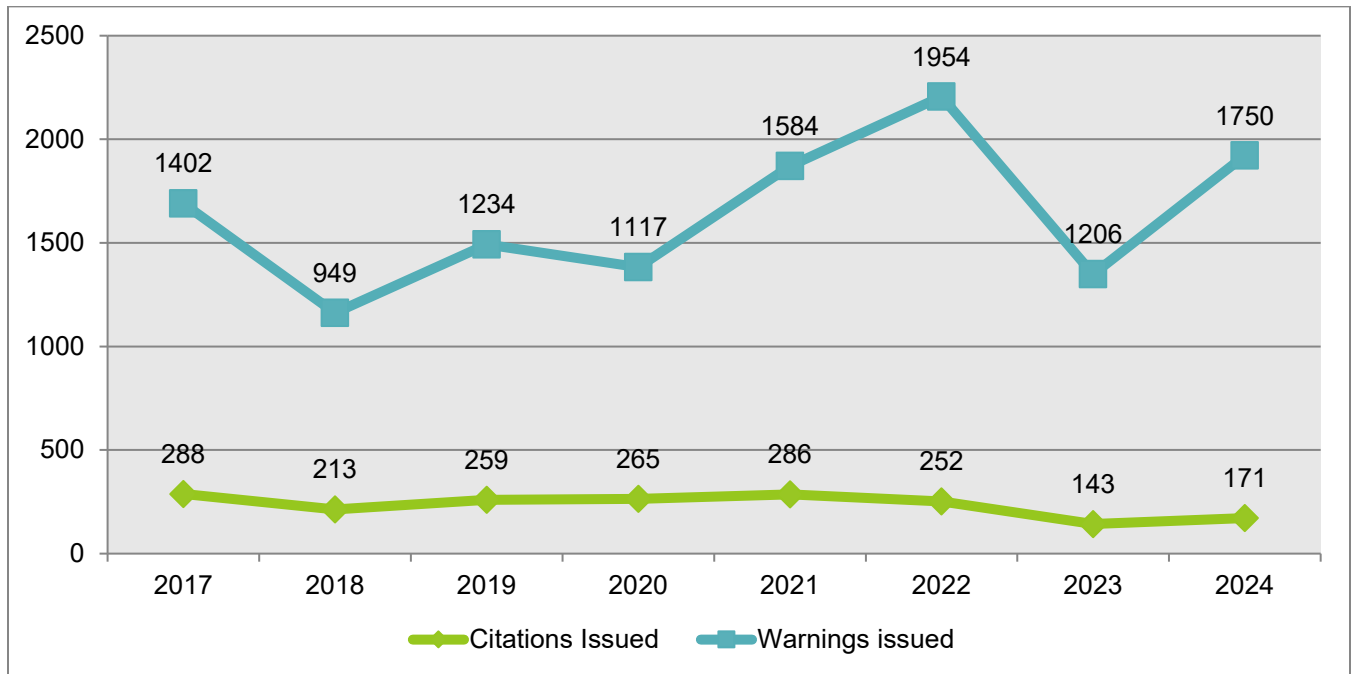
ASSAULTS



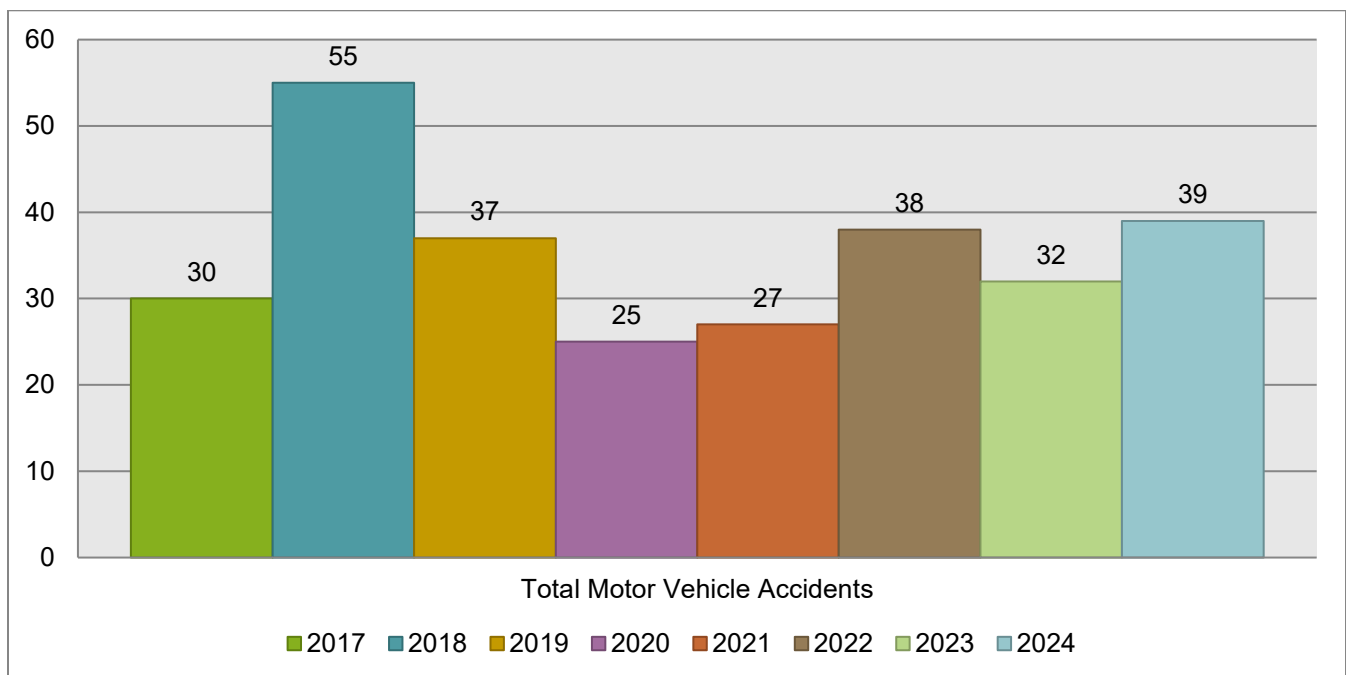
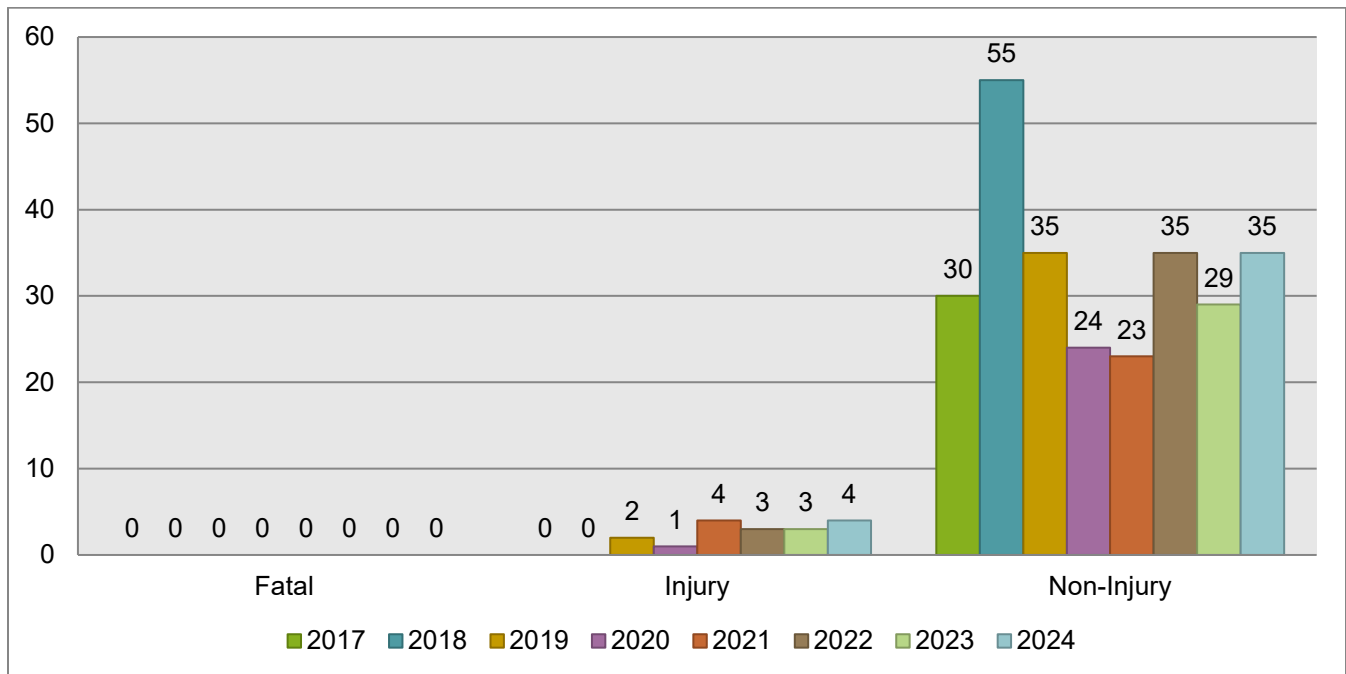
DWI ARRESTS



TRAFFIC STOPS (INCLUDES WARNINGS VS. CITATIONS)



MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS (FATAL, INJURY, & NON-INJURY)



COMMUNITY VALUE BASED POLICE SERVICE

The following is a partial list of Community Value Based Police Service activities with accompanying photographs that Staff participates in.

Mystery Reader (Chief Juell) at Eagle View



Officers at the Elko Speedway



“Coffee with a Cop” at Firefly Coffee



SOAR lunches with officers at Eagle View



Special Guest Reader Program at Eagle View



"Shop with a Hero" program with Elko New Market Police and Fire



Other Community Value Based Police Service events we are involved in include:

- Family Fun Nights at Wagner Park during the summer.
- “Story Time,” reading to children at the Scott County Library.
- Articles written that are included in the City’s monthly newsletter.
- #9pm crime prevention campaign where citizens are encouraged to lock their vehicles and close their garage doors.
- Officers secure open garage doors late at night for residents.
- National Night to Unite.
- Fire Rescue Days City celebration.
- “Click, Share, Beware” Internet safety presentation for teens.
- Halloween party at Eagle View.
- City Easter Egg hunt.
- Touch a Truck event.

Thank you for viewing our annual report!