



# The City of Powell Police Department

## July 2020 Activity Report

Stephen L. Hrytzik  
Chief of Police



## STATISTICS

	Current Month	Last Month	Last Year	5 Years Ago
Calls for Service	<b>1,906</b>	1,838	1,965	1,583
Dispatched Calls	<b>502</b>	485	480	441
Police Reports	<b>68</b>	86	89	137
Adult Arrests	<b>11</b>	5	8	16
Juvenile Arrests	<b>4</b>	9	3	0
Traffic Stops	<b>136</b>	185	124	112
Traffic Citations	<b>16</b>	8	11	17
Traffic Crashes	<b>11</b>	12	7	17
False Alarms	<b>43</b>	44	34	36
House Watches	<b>20</b>	19	86	75
Preventative Patrols	<b>292</b>	307	227	85
Stacked Calls	<b>25</b>	17	27	22

*Note: 2020 statistics were affected by our modified COVID-19 response protocol.*

## NOTABLE CASE

**Stolen Vehicle** | A locked car with the key and fob inside was stolen from a Golf Village driveway. The stolen car was located in a Columbus impound lot a few days later. There were thefts from vehicles nearby the same night. The investigation is ongoing. ♦



## NATURE OF CALLS FOR SERVICE

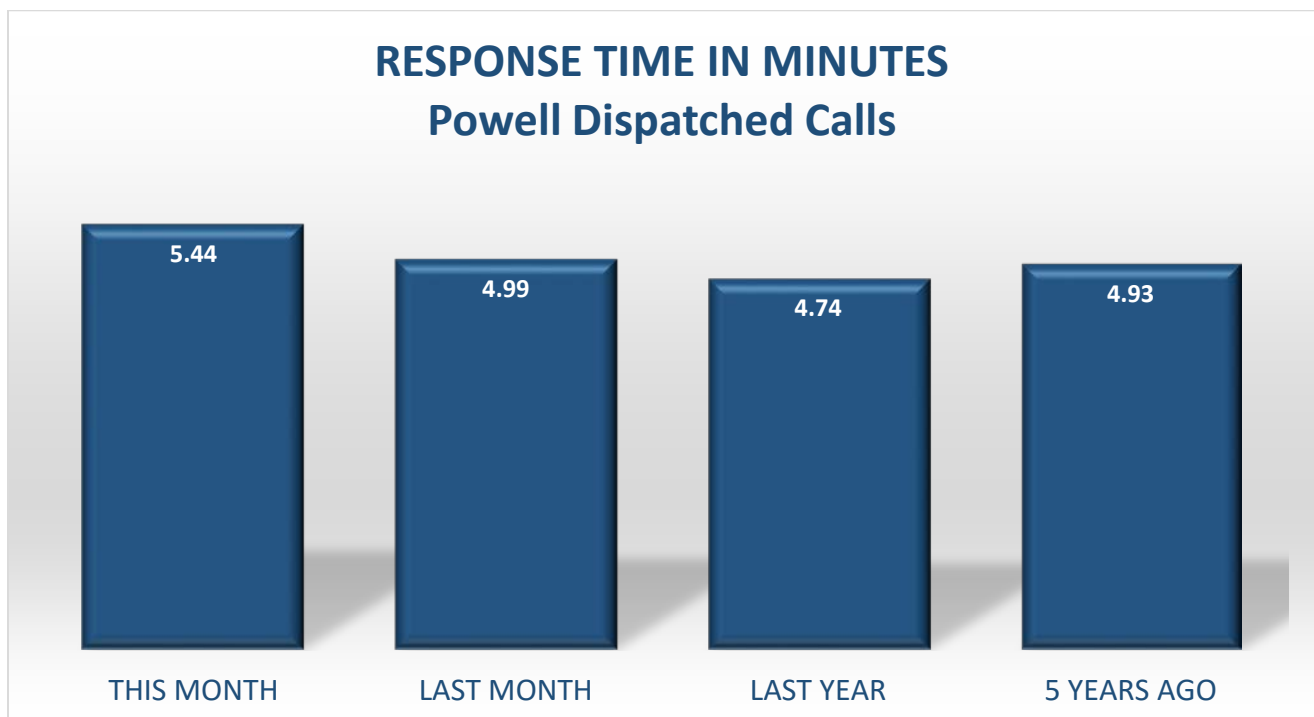
NATURE	MINUTES ON CALLS	PERCENT OF TIME	CALLS	PERCENT OF CALLS
Special Detail	6,170.6	21.8%	113	6.0%
Business / House Check	4,810.5	17.0%	969	51.1%
Follow-Up/Investigation	4,031.7	14.2%	95	5.0%
Traffic Detail/Control	2,198.0	7.8%	104	5.5%
Assist Other Agency/Unit	1,358.9	4.8%	122	6.4%
Alarm/911 Hang-Up	1,206.4	4.3%	121	6.4%
Traffic Crash	1,175.9	4.1%	14	0.7%
Investigate Complaint	1,109.3	3.9%	72	3.8%
Traffic Stop	1,068.0	3.8%	136	7.2%
Theft	1,012.8	3.6%	14	0.7%
Suspicious Activity	816.4	2.9%	51	2.7%
Community Engagement	712.6	2.5%	24	1.3%
Domestic	639.5	2.3%	6	0.3%
Juvenile	427.8	1.5%	10	0.5%
Intoxicated Person	299.9	1.1%	1	0.1%
Harassment/Threats	249.8	0.9%	8	0.4%
Well Being Check	236.1	0.8%	4	0.2%
Lockout	219.7	0.8%	6	0.3%
Mental Health Crisis	188.1	0.7%	1	0.1%
Suicide Attempt	118.4	0.4%	1	0.1%
Animal Call	118.1	0.4%	8	0.4%
Drug / Narcotic	57.1	0.2%	1	0.1%
Vandalism	54.3	0.2%	2	0.1%
Parking Complaint	45.6	0.2%	9	0.5%
Lost & Found	33.6	0.1%	5	0.3%

*This is the nature of the call as originally reported by the dispatcher.*

## STACKED CALLS



## RESPONSE TIME



## K9 ACTIVITY



K9 Axel celebrated his eighth birthday on July 17, 2020!

Officer Latiolais deployed K9 Axel for an evidence search in reference to a burglary in Powell. They also assisted in the search for a missing person in Worthington and trained for 14 hours. ♦



## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community Oriented Policing Officer Audrey Wilt performed several child car seat installations in July and prepared for a virtual edition of Mystery Night Out in August. ♦



The Chase subdivision held a Fourth of July bicycle parade. ♦



## NEW HIRE



In June, the department welcomed **Sarah Convery**, from Youngstown, Ohio, as a new patrol officer. Officer Convery graduated from the police academy and holds a Bachelor's degree in General Studies from Youngstown State University. She worked as a Zoning Enforcement Officer for the township of Boardman, Ohio. Most recently, she worked two years as a police officer at Minerva Park Police Department in central Ohio.

Officer Convery became interested in working for Powell because of the residents. "I always felt welcome and comfortable in the area, and that meant a lot to me since my family lives farther away. Nothing better than feeling at home!"

Officer Convery lives in Columbus with her two dogs, Ares and Athena. In her free time she enjoys CrossFit, spending time with family, and reading.

## TRAINING

In July the department conducted 22.75 hours of training to include **Legal Update, Bulletproof Mind, Taser User Certification, Use Of Force Review** and **Defensive Tactics**. Training opportunities remain limited due to the COVID-19 pandemic. ♦

## TRAFFIC SURVEY (STEALTH STAT)

***The City of Powell Police Department uses this data to assign officers for selective enforcement efforts.***

**Average Speed:** The average speed of all vehicles registered by the StealthStat device.

**85th Percentile:** 85 percent of all vehicles were at this speed or slower.

**Ten-Mile Pace:** The range of speeds in which the majority of vehicles were traveling.

**Vehicles per Hour:** On busy streets, the device cannot accurately count vehicles in the far lane.

### **Wildflower Drive July 6-11, 2020 Speed Limit 25**

<b>Direction</b>	<b>Average Speed</b>	<b>85<sup>th</sup> Percentile</b>	<b>Ten-Mile Pace</b>	<b>Average Vehicles per Hour</b>
Northbound	22.15	29	20-29	27.57
Southbound	19.75	27	13-22	27.50

### **Hickory Rock Drive July 13-15, 2020 Speed Limit 25**

<b>Direction</b>	<b>Average Speed</b>	<b>85<sup>th</sup> Percentile</b>	<b>Ten-Mile Pace</b>	<b>Average Vehicles per Hour</b>
Northbound	21.67	27	18-27	21.49
Southbound	21.17	27	18-27	24.93

## TRAFFIC CRASHES

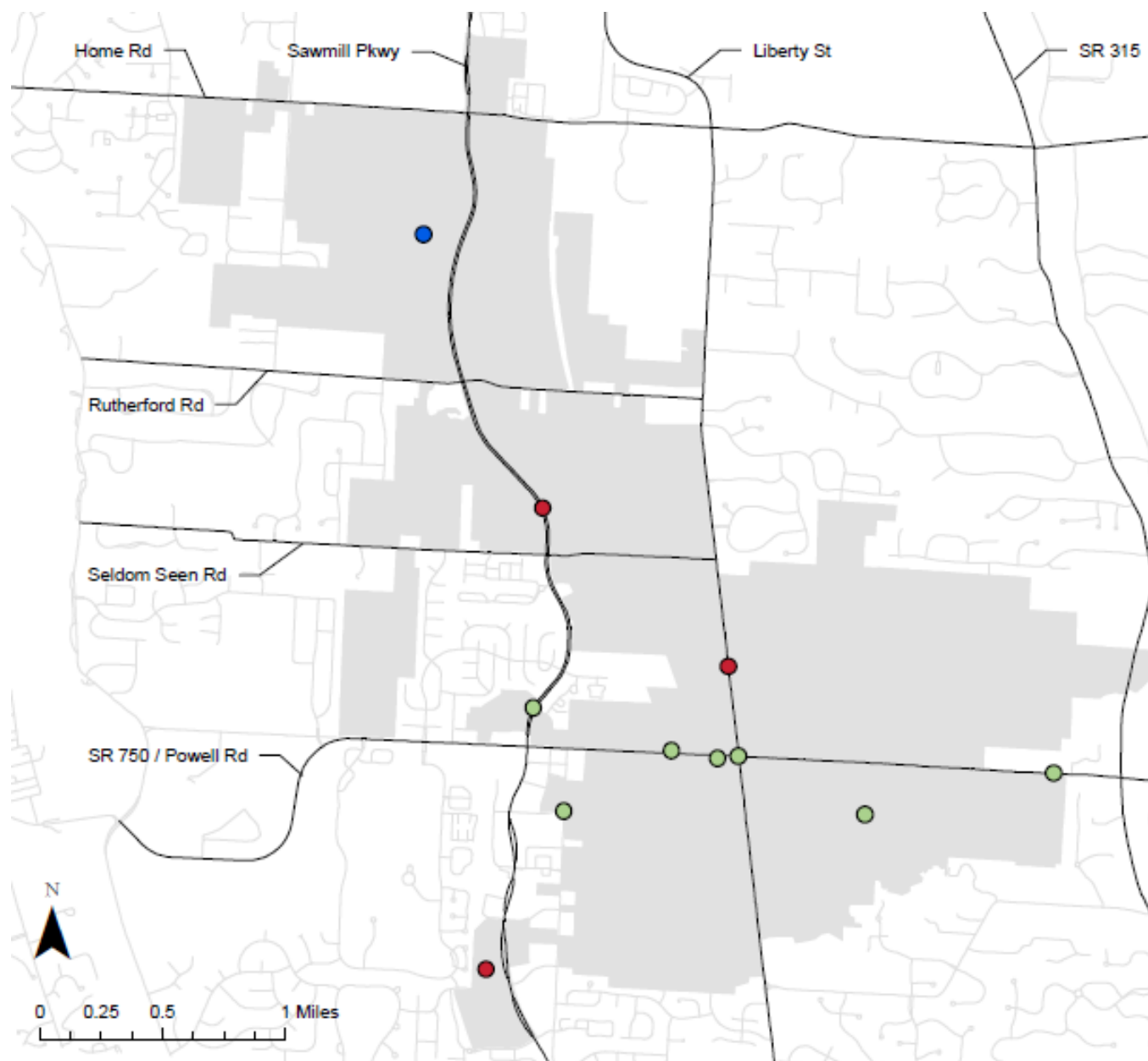


CASE	DATE	CAUSE	NARRATIVE
20-0467	7/5/2020	<b>TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE</b>	Unit 1 was traveling westbound on E Olentangy St. Unit 2 was traveling northbound on N Liberty St. Unit 1 failed to stop for a red traffic light and struck Unit 2, causing Unit 2 to strike a pole. <b>CITED</b>
20-0469	7/6/2020	<b>ACDA</b>	Units 1 and 2 were southbound on N. Liberty St. approaching SR 750. Unit 2 stopped in traffic and Unit 1 failed to stop and struck Unit 2.
20-0473	7/8/2020	<b>TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE</b>	Unit 2 was traveling southbound on Sawmill Pkwy. approaching the intersection of Galloway Dr. with a flashing yellow light. Unit 1 attempted to make a left turn on a flashing red from the Giant Eagle parking lot and was struck by Unit 2. Unit 1 thought traffic was stopping. <b>CITED</b>



CASE	DATE	CAUSE	NARRATIVE
20-0477	7/10/2020	OVI	<i>Injury Crash</i> / While parked facing northbound and waiting to unload asphalt, Unit 2 was struck in the rear by Unit 1, who was traveling northbound in an active construction zone. <b>CITED</b>
20-0479	7/10/2020	TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE	<i>Injury Crash</i> / Unit 1 was leaving the Target parking lot and made a prohibited left turn onto N. Hampton Dr. pulling out in front of Unit 2. Unit 2 was unable to avoid the collision and collided with Unit 1. <b>CITED</b>
20-0490	7/13/2020	FAILURE TO YIELD	Unit 2 was eastbound on SR 750. Unit 1 was entering onto SR 750 from a private drive at 187 W. Olentangy St. Unit 2 was unable to stop in time striking Unit 1. <b>CITED</b>
20-0496	7/14/2020	MARKED LANES	Unit 2 was traveling southbound on Bennett Parkway behind Unit 1. Unit 1 turned right, traveling westbound on Shalebrook Rd. while Unit 2 continued traveling southbound on Bennett Parkway. Unit 1 changed directions turning to face eastbound on Shalebrook Rd. and proceeded into the intersection on Bennett Parkway, thus striking Unit 2. <b>CITED</b>
20-0497	7/15/2020	ACDA	Unit 1 was traveling eastbound on SR 750 behind Unit 2 and Unit 3. Unit 1 failed to keep an assured clear distance ahead and rear ended Unit 2, which resulted in Unit 2 rear ending Unit 3 near the intersection of SR 750 and Valley Run Dr. <b>CITED</b>
20-0512	7/26/2020	FAILURE TO CONTROL	<i>Injury Crash</i> / Units 1 and 2 were westbound in the parking lot of 240 N. Liberty St. Unit 2 was approaching N. Liberty St. Unit 1 accelerated for an unknown reason and went forward striking Unit 2.
20-0513	7/27/2020	ACDA	<i>Injury Crash</i> / Units 1 and 2 were northbound on Sawmill Pkwy. Unit 2 slowed for traffic and was struck in the rear by Unit 1. <b>CITED</b>
20-0520	7/31/2020	FAILURE TO YIELD	Unit 2 was heading north on Sawmill Rd. when Unit 1 entered into the roadway from Attucks Drive headed East onto Grey Oaks Drive. Unit 1 failed to yield the right of way to Unit 2 and was struck on the passenger side by Unit 2. <b>CITED</b>

## MAP OF TRAFFIC CRASHES



### July 2020 Crash Type

- INJURY
- PRIVATE PROPERTY
- PROPERTY DAMAGE

*Map by the City of Powell Development Department*

## THANK-YOU NOTES

7/16/20

Dear Chief Hrytzik,

I just wanted to drop a note to you to express my appreciation of you guys at the police dept.

My family has been living here for about 21 yrs and I have <sup>so</sup> great experiences every time we have needed help or advice. It means

EVERYTHING to feel safe in my community and home. I drive a lot in different neighborhoods doing well checks on people's pets and a day doesn't go by that I don't think and appreciate that you guys are around.

That's it just thank you, and know that the Powell Police Dept is a top reason I love where I live.

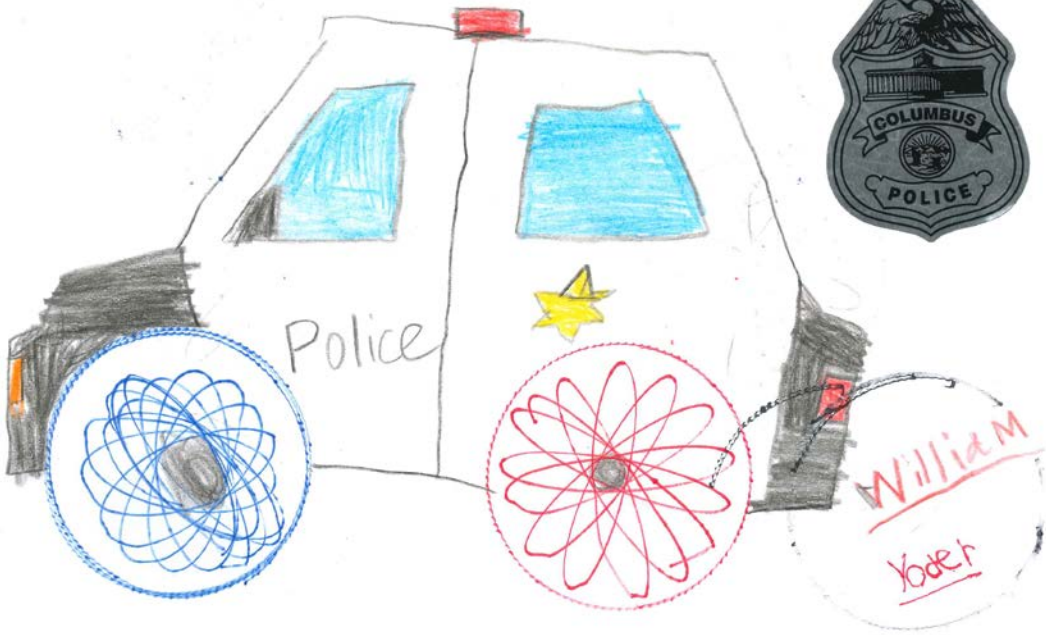
Kathy Hancock

# POLICE



You are Heroes!

Thank you for  
everything you  
do! 😊





Dear Police,  
Thank you for  
everything you  
do to keep us  
safe! These are hard  
times but you are  
still working hard  
to keep us safe!  
People want to  
defund police  
but I don't! To  
me you are...

**Superheroes!**

Even if you don't have  
a cape. Thank  
you!



from  
Christian

Dear Police officers, you  
guys do so much for us,  
we are truly really appreciated  
of what you do. It's been  
a tough time but we still  
admire every single one of  
you. I pray for you to  
stay safe.

**THANK  
YOU!**

From all my love  
in my heart,  
Ashton!



Dear Powell Police ~  
Thank you very much for  
your service to our  
community. We are sorry  
you are going through  
a rough time right now.  
Here is a token of our  
support + appreciation.  
Sincerely, Those who care



**Mandy Bixler Cunningham**

5 hrs



**Shout out to Powell police for  
calling at midnight to let us  
know the garage door was still  
open. Feeling safe and cared  
for!**



Marsha Fedorowicz Cwynar, Kayleigh Rice and 486 others · 21 Comments



Like



Comment



**Lisa Gardner** I left for vacation once and left my garage door open.. they called me while I was in Barcelona ... checked inside my home to make sure no one had gone in then closed the garage door for me ... our police are awesome !!!

Like · Reply · 5h



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**Lisa Gardner** Note I had done the vacation check ahead of time and they were doing the daily check of my home ... such a nice service

Like · Reply · 5h



2



**Tom Watson** and tired as well i'm sure...

Like · Reply · 5h



**Tracy Lorek Lowrie** Love that they are watching out for everyone!

Like · Reply · 5h



**Tricia Riley Moffitt** We've gotten that call before, too. They are awesome!

Like · Reply · 5h



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**Malcolm Spence** Dublin would knock on the door when we lived there.

Like · Reply · 5h



**Marsha Fedorowicz Cwynar** that is great!

Like · Reply · 5h



**Travis Saffell** So awesome. Great to have them around and protecting our community.

Like · Reply · 4h



**Candace Wisniewski Piña** Love this!  
I have to say that the Chamberlain MyQ Smart Garage Hub is one of the best investments we've made. It's only like \$40 and you can control the garage door from from your phone. It's amazing!  
[https://www.amazon.com/.../ref=sxts\\_sxwds-bia-wc-nc-drs1...](https://www.amazon.com/.../ref=sxts_sxwds-bia-wc-nc-drs1...)



AMAZON.COM  
Chamberlain Group myQ Smart Garage Door Opener Chamberlain...

Like · Reply · 4h



**Beth Pierson Meta** Jim Meta....too bad they don't do this for YOU!!!!

Like · Reply · 4h



**Jim Meta** Beth Pierson Meta why you gotta be telling the Bubble I left our garage door open??? 😊

Like · Reply · 3h · Edited



**Beth Pierson Meta** Jim Meta repeatedly. ...

Like · Reply · 2h



**Sara Barker** Columbus police have alerted us as well! Love our good cops ❤️👍

Like · Reply · 4h



**Sonia Mann** They let us know once that our car door was left open on the driveway and someone could break into our house with the garage door opener in there. So thoughtful of them!

Like · Reply · 4h



**Debra Tarrier** We did this once & they rang doorbell to let us know!

Like · Reply · 3h




**Tim Davis** Weird - they don't call me or knock on my door. They just leave a note in my mailbox

Like · Reply · 2h




**Nicole Hoffmann Melnick** Tim Davis me, too. Would rather have received the call or the knock no matter what the hour

Like · Reply · 2h



**Maria Edith Salinas** This is exactly how these men who uphold the law should be....ALL of them for ALL of US..

Like · Reply · 2h



**Cindy Yale-Weber** They knocked on my door in the middle of the night to let me know my interior light in my car was on. Just checking to be sure know one broke into it.

Like · Reply · 1h



**Ashley Gambucci** Mine too!!

Like · Reply · 1h



**Paul Hemmer** They do go the extra mile.

Like · Reply · 1h

Write a comment...



## Concerning

Police

## Message

We received a "Preventative Patrol Report" for Saturday, July 11 @ 2:00 for Open Garage Door from Officer #733 JW;  
We want to thank you for this reminder !!  
We appreciate your attention & recommendations;  
We look forward to seeing police presence in the neighborhood;  
Thank you again,  
Christine & Wesley Eugene Law

## Message

My family and I just moved from the Greater Cincinnati area, where we have lived our entire lives, to Powell in May.

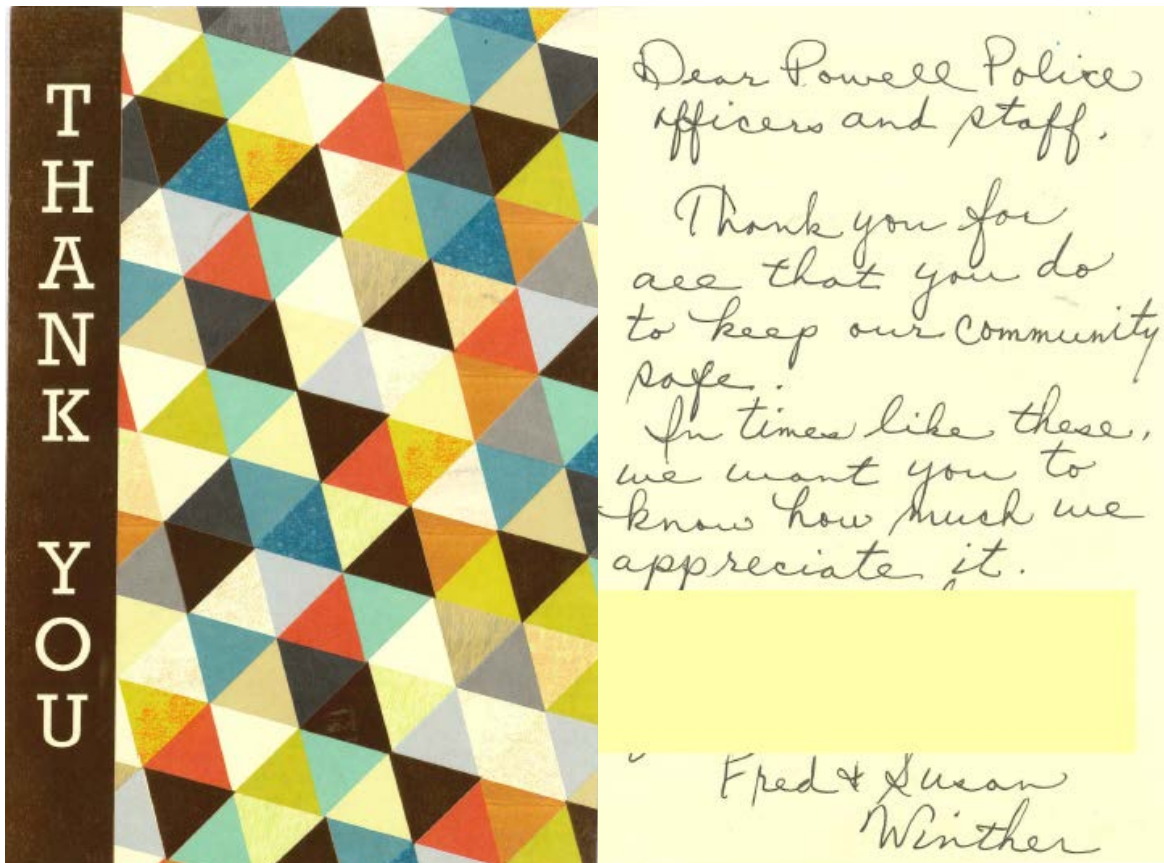
We already feel at home and feel the sense of community on the area.

Since we are new to the community, we do not have any roots or connections. So I didn't know any other way to get this message to you other than through your website.

We appreciate you and your service to the community. Please stay strong and keep faith. You have a strong and powerful force behind you, even though we may not be as vocal as our counterparts. We need you, we appreciate you, and we will always give you the benefit of the doubt.

Thank you for keeping us safe.

Adam



To: Deputy Chief Ron Sallows

A heartfelt thank you from all of us here at Olentangy Schools! Your time, talent and input is truly appreciated and made for a productive week and makes us better at what we do!!

V/r,  
Joe

**JOE SUOZZI**

*Director of Safety, Security & Preparedness*

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From a vacation house watch:

“... Please also know we support our police department and greatly appreciate what you do for our community. You are the best!”