



The City of Powell Police Department

August 2020 Activity Report

Stephen L. Hrytzik
Chief of Police



STATISTICS

	Current Month	Last Month	Last Year	5 Years Ago
Calls for Service	1,715	1,906	1,971	1,454
Dispatched Calls	465	502	512	440
Police Reports	72	68	94	102
Adult Arrests	9	11	6	11
Juvenile Arrests	4	4	0	1
Traffic Stops	138	136	130	116
Traffic Citations	11	16	20	9
Traffic Crashes	14	11	12	12
False Alarms	36	43	17	36
House Watches	16	20	44	44
Preventative Patrols	226	292	209	53
Stacked Calls	35	25	17	25

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

NOTABLE CASE

Fraud | A dealership in Powell is suspected of selling vehicles without holding clear title. Over 60 victims have come forward; many have waited more than six months without receiving their titles. The dealership is no longer in business, and our investigation is proceeding. ♦



NATURE OF CALLS FOR SERVICE

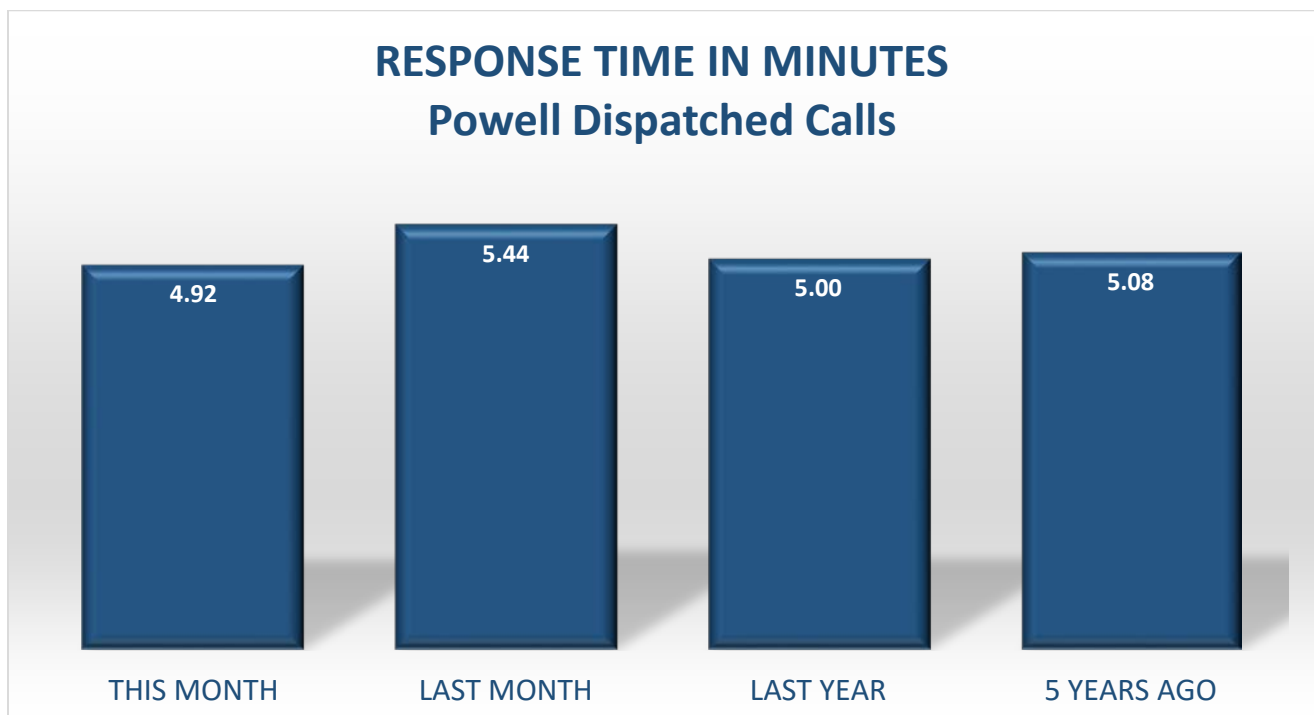
NATURE	MINUTES ON CALLS	PERCENT OF TIME	CALLS	PERCENT OF CALLS
Special Detail	5,138.8	16.8%	77	4.5%
Follow-Up/Investigation	4,549.9	14.9%	95	5.6%
Business / House Check	4,471.1	14.6%	862	50.6%
Assist Other Agency/Unit	2,650.2	8.7%	107	6.3%
Traffic Control	1,788.4	5.9%	95	5.6%
Warrant	1,506.0	4.9%	3	0.2%
Traffic Stop	1,164.6	3.8%	138	8.1%
Traffic Crash	1,124.4	3.7%	18	1.1%
Investigate Complaint	1,059.6	3.5%	37	2.2%
Alarm/911 Hang-Up	987.6	3.2%	109	6.4%
Well Being Check	956.3	3.1%	7	0.4%
Theft	955.0	3.1%	21	1.2%
Suspicious Activity	866.4	2.8%	43	2.5%
Juvenile	788.7	2.6%	9	0.5%
Domestic	619.8	2.0%	7	0.4%
Substance Abuse	313.3	1.0%	6	0.4%
Community Engagement	301.4	1.0%	14	0.8%
Lost & Found	207.7	0.7%	7	0.4%
Parking	182.2	0.6%	21	1.2%
Suicide Attempt	177.0	0.6%	1	0.1%
Harassment/Threats	147.9	0.5%	4	0.2%
Lockout	124.2	0.4%	6	0.4%
Stolen Vehicle	123.1	0.4%	2	0.1%
Vandalism	100.4	0.3%	5	0.3%
D.O.A	96.4	0.3%	1	0.1%
Mental Health Crisis	89.6	0.3%	2	0.1%
Animal Call	58.5	0.2%	5	0.3%

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

STACKED CALLS



RESPONSE TIME



K9 ACTIVITY



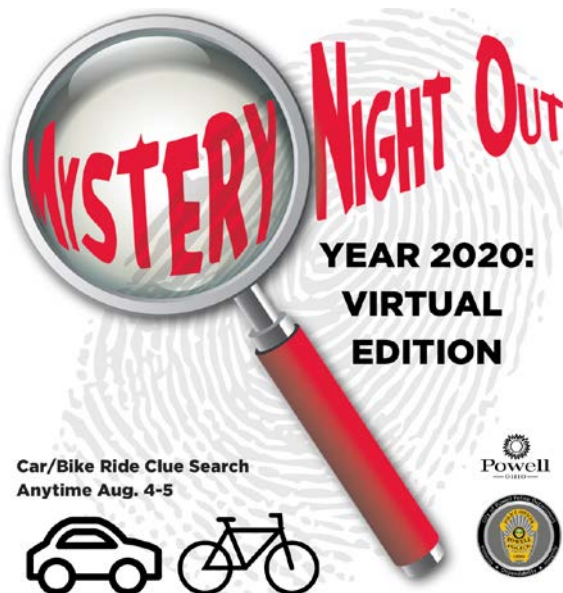
Officer Latiolais rewards kids caught wearing their bicycle helmets.

K9 Axel and his handler were deployed four times in August: one assist with a search warrant, two community engagements, and one vehicle sniff on a traffic stop which resulted in two arrests. They completed 14 hours of training. ♦



Detectives Smith and Pentz suit up for an investigation at a COVID positive property.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



Mystery Night Out looked very different this year, as the scavenger hunt went virtual! Participants searched for clues by driving, biking or walking around Powell.

Mystery Night Out is held in conjunction with National Night Out Against Crime. National Association of Town Watch (NATW) launched the initiative in 1984 in an effort to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. ♦

NEW HIRE



The department welcomed **Officer Kaylyn Heading** in August. Officer Heading is a Hilliard, Ohio native and a graduate of Hilliard Davidson High School. Softball was her early passion and it took her to the University of Rio Grande where she obtained a BS in Communications. She was a four year starting catcher for the Red Storm. After college she moved back to Hilliard and began her professional career as a dispatcher with the Delaware County 911 center.

Early into her career, she was afforded the opportunity to ride along with the Powell Police department. Officer Heading said, "I was immediately drawn to the department and their commitment to community policing." She worked closely with Powell during her nine years as a dispatcher, and she feels "extremely honored and humbled to have the opportunity to join the team as an officer." Officer Heading married her college sweetheart Annette in March of 2017. Annette is a cosmetologist in Powell with her own hair studio. During down time they enjoy relaxing with their two dogs, Bevo and Sunni. They love to cruise and spend time in Murrells Inlet, SC with family.

TRAINING

In August the department conducted 35.75 hours of training to include **Verbal De-escalation, Biological Evidence Collection and Retention, Graduated Driver Licensing, Death Notification, Blue Courage** and **Crime Victim** training. ♦

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.

Hickory Rock Drive August 10-16, 2020 Speed Limit 25

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Eastbound	19.12	26	12-21	18.86
Westbound	17.58	23	11-20	17.87

Murphy Parkway August 17-21, 2020 Speed Limit 25

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Northbound	30.54	35	26-35	71.54
Southbound	30.34	35	26-35	60.26

**Village Club Drive
August 17-21, 2020
Speed Limit 25**

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Northbound	18.10	25	11-20	26.21
Southbound	19.99	25	18-27	29.71

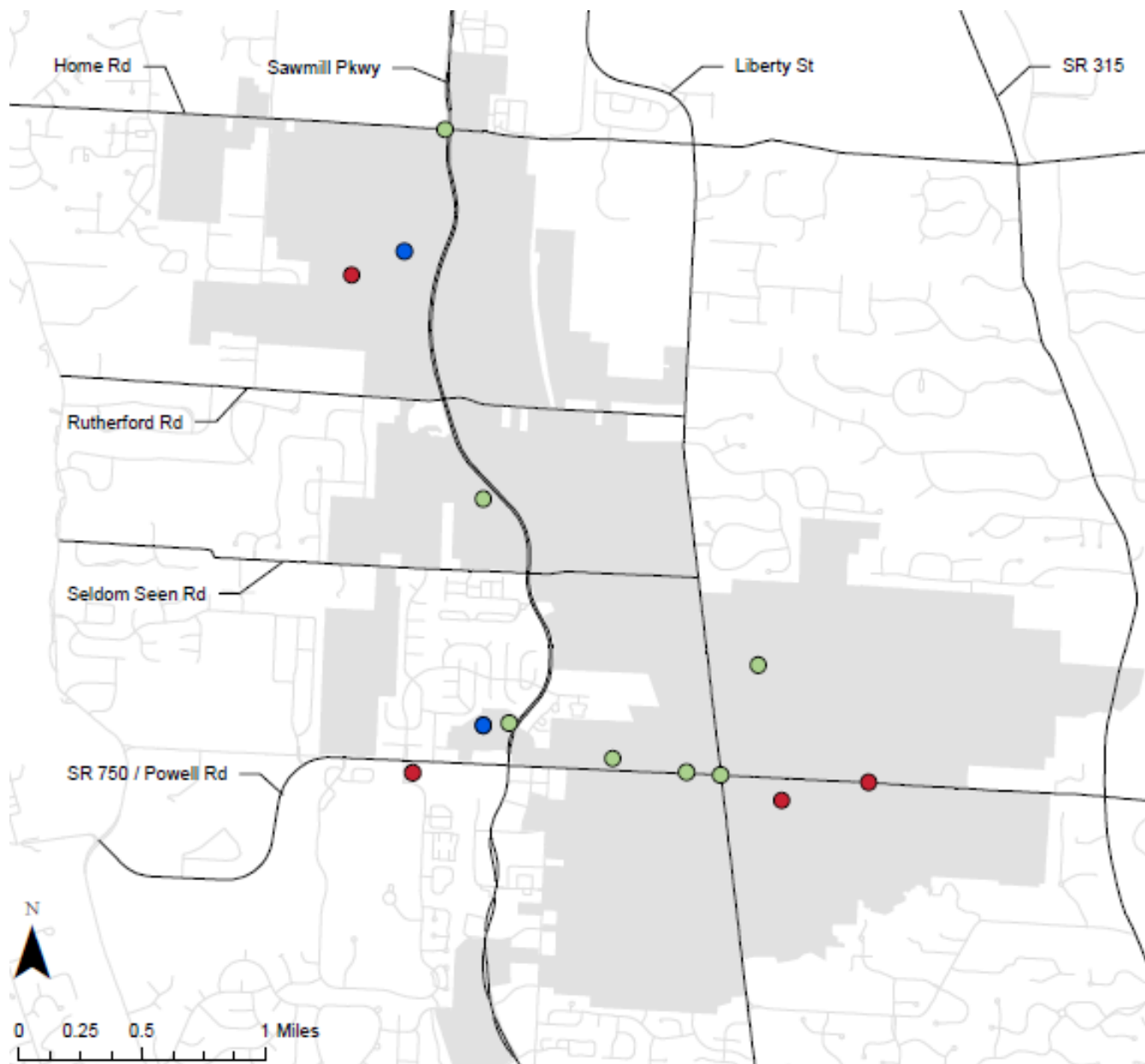
TRAFFIC CRASHES



CASE	DATE	CAUSE	NARRATIVE
20-0525	8/2/2020	PARKING	Unit 1 pulled into a parking space next to Unit 2. While making the turn into the parking space, Unit 1 struck Unit 2 on the driver side.
20-0533	8/7/2020	CONTROL	Unit 1 was traveling westbound on SR 750 and turned right, traveling northbound on Depot St. While turning, Unit 1 struck a fixed sign, located on the southeast side of Depot St. with the rear passenger tire.
20-0538	8/8/2002	YIELD	Unit 1 was traveling southbound in the parking lot near 3958 W Powell. Unit 2 was traveling eastbound in the parking lot towards Sawmill Parkway. Unit 1 continued southbound, failing to yield to Unit 2, thus striking Unit 2.
20-0540	8/10/2020	HIT-SKIP	Unit 2 was parked on the roadway facing northbound in front of 185 Trail Edge Circle. Unit 2 was struck by Unit 1 in an unknown manner and failed to report the traffic crash.
20-0541	8/10/2020	YIELD	Injury Unit 1 was traveling southbound on Olentangy Ridge Pl. and Unit 2 was traveling westbound on SR 750. Unit 1 proceeded into the intersection at SR 750, after failing to yield at the stop sign, and was struck by Unit 2. CITE
20-0542	8/10/2020	HIT-SKIP	Unit 2 was parked in the lot of 256 W. Olentangy St. Unit 1 attempted to park next to Unit 2 and struck Unit 2. Unit 1 left the scene without reporting the crash.
20-0555	8/13/2020	HIT-SKIP	Unit 2 was parked in the parking lot of 4000 W Powell. Unit 1 struck Unit 2 and left the scene without reporting the crash.
20-0557	8/15/2020	BACKING	Unit 1 was traveling eastbound on Home Rd. near Sawmill Parkway behind Unit 2. Unit 1 proceeded eastbound on Home Rd. and struck Unit 2 in the rear of the vehicle. CITE
20-0558	8/15/2020	PEDES- TRIAN	Injury Unit 2 was traveling southbound on Bartholomew Blvd, at Kelly's Ct. when Unit 1 ran out in front of Unit 2. Unit 2 was unable to stop in time and struck Unit 1.
20-0571	8/22/2020	PARKING	Unit 1 was backing out of a parking spot heading northbound and struck Unit 2 which was traveling westbound through the parking lot.

CASE	DATE	CAUSE	NARRATIVE
20-0573	8/23/2020	BICYCLE	Unit 2 was conducting a right turn onto Trail Lake Dr from Coldwater Dr., Unit 1 struck Unit 2. The unknown Unit 1 cyclist stated his brakes did not work. Ultimately Unit 1 left the scene, prior to officers arriving.
20-0576	8/24/2020	CONTROL	Unit 2 was southbound on N. Liberty Street, Unit 1 was eastbound on SR 750. Unit 1 turned left onto N. Liberty Street, failed to control the vehicle, crossing the center line and striking Unit 2. Unit 1 left the scene without reporting the crash. CITE
20-0593	8/30/2020	ACDA	Unit 1 was traveling northbound on High Wind Dr. Unit 2 was parked northbound in front of 7743 High Wind Dr. Unit 1 continued traveling northbound on High Wind Dr., was distracted by a cellphone, and struck Unit 2 in the rear of the vehicle.
20-0594	8/30/2020	OVI	Unit 1 was eastbound on Village Club Dr. in the area of house number 4323. Unit 1 failed to control the vehicle and struck a parked vehicle facing eastbound on Village Club Dr. Unit 2 was pushed by Unit 1 off the roadway, struck a mailbox at 4320 Village Club Dr., reentered the roadway and struck Unit 3, which was also parked unoccupied. ARREST

MAP OF TRAFFIC CRASHES



August 2020 Crash Type

- INJURY
- PRIVATE PROPERTY
- PROPERTY DAMAGE

Map by the City of Powell Development Department

USE OF FORCE

The Powell Police Department carefully tracks all uses of force by the agency. In the interest of transparency, we will begin reporting these incidents monthly. There were no uses of force in August.

COMMENDATION



Pictured from left to right: Powell Police Chief Stephen Hrytzik, Powell Mayor Frank Bertone, Prosecutor Melissa Schiffel, and PPD Officer Brandon Phenix

Thank you to the Delaware County Prosecutor's Office of Melissa A. Schiffel for recognizing the Powell Police Department for their dedication to helping domestic violence victims and their professionalism and expertise in protecting and serving the community. The Police Department received a certificate of commendation from the Prosecutor's Office during this week's City Council meeting.

Certificate of Commendation

is hereby granted to the
City of Powell Police Department

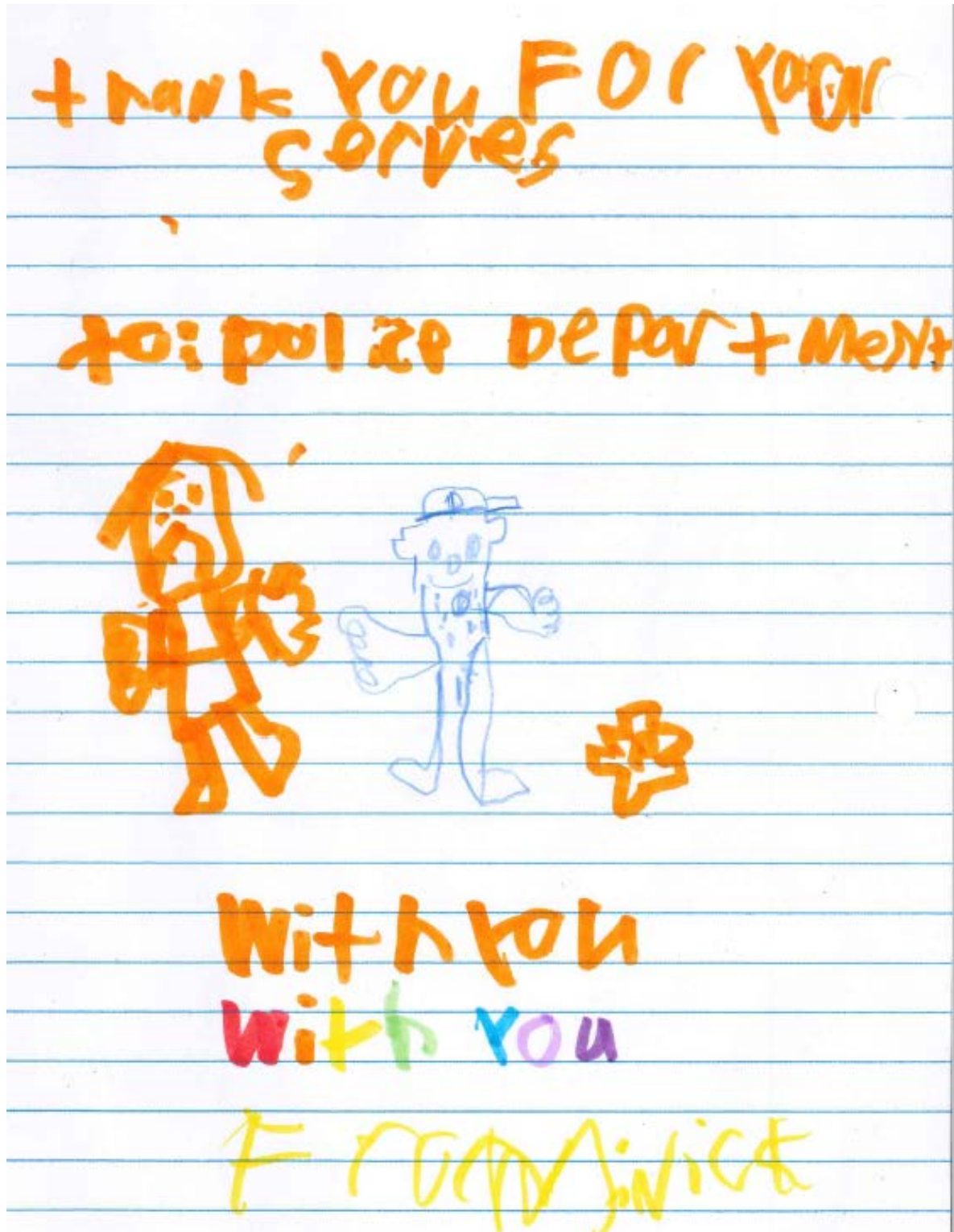


In recognition of the Department's dedication to helping domestic violence victims and protecting and serving their entire community through their professionalism and expertise.

Delaware County Prosecutor's Office
145 N. Union Street, 3rd Floor
Delaware, OH 43015

Melissa A. Schiffl
Delaware County Prosecuting Attorney, Melissa A. Schiffl

THANK-YOU NOTES



Subject: Re: Web Submission - Police

You guys are awesome!
Thank you so much for all that you do!



Ofc. Phenix,
Great work being attentive to potential leads and your additional follow-up in helping solve a hit-skip crash. Please see the comments below from Ofc. Hart.
Respectfully,

Ron Sallows

Deputy Chief of Police, Badge #711

This crash would not have been solved if Ofc. Phenix had not done some additional investigation in locating the vehicle while on another call and realizing it matched the description of the vehicle.

Fred Hart

Police Officer, Badge #716

August 31, 2020

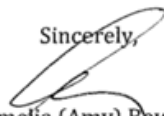
Officer Sarah Convery
City of Powell Police Department
47 Hall Street
Powell, Ohio 43065

RE: Incident No. 20-0593

Dear Officer Convey:

Just a note to thank you and your partner for helping me yesterday with my bicycle and the post incident report. I appreciated your kindness and professionalism.

Sincerely,


Amelia (Amy) Bower
3829 Coral Creek Court