



The City of Powell Police Department

January 2021 Activity Report

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STATISTICS

	Current Month	Last Month	Last Year	5 Years Ago
Calls for Service	1,815	1,641	1,911	1,569
Dispatched Calls	336	351	394	372
Police Reports	57	54	87	90
Adult Arrests	3	2	15	6
Juvenile Arrests	0	1	1	0
Traffic Stops	152	120	178	82
Traffic Citations	9	11	24	5
Traffic Crashes	11	11	12	9
False Alarms	20	25	19	36
House Watches	22	17	45	47
Preventative Patrols	161	136	156	79
Stacked Calls	13	16	16	8

Note: 2020-2021 statistics were affected by our modified COVID-19 response protocol.

NOTABLE CASES

Fraudulent Unemployment Claims | We now have **33** cases of fraudulent unemployment claims, some dating back to October of 2020. These cases are referred to Job & Family Services, Fraud Department, for investigation with Detective Darren Smith assisting.

Assault | A resident of Golf Village reported that a man dressed in black exposed himself to her and pushed her to the ground. No suspect has been identified. The investigation is ongoing. ♦



NATURE OF CALLS FOR SERVICE

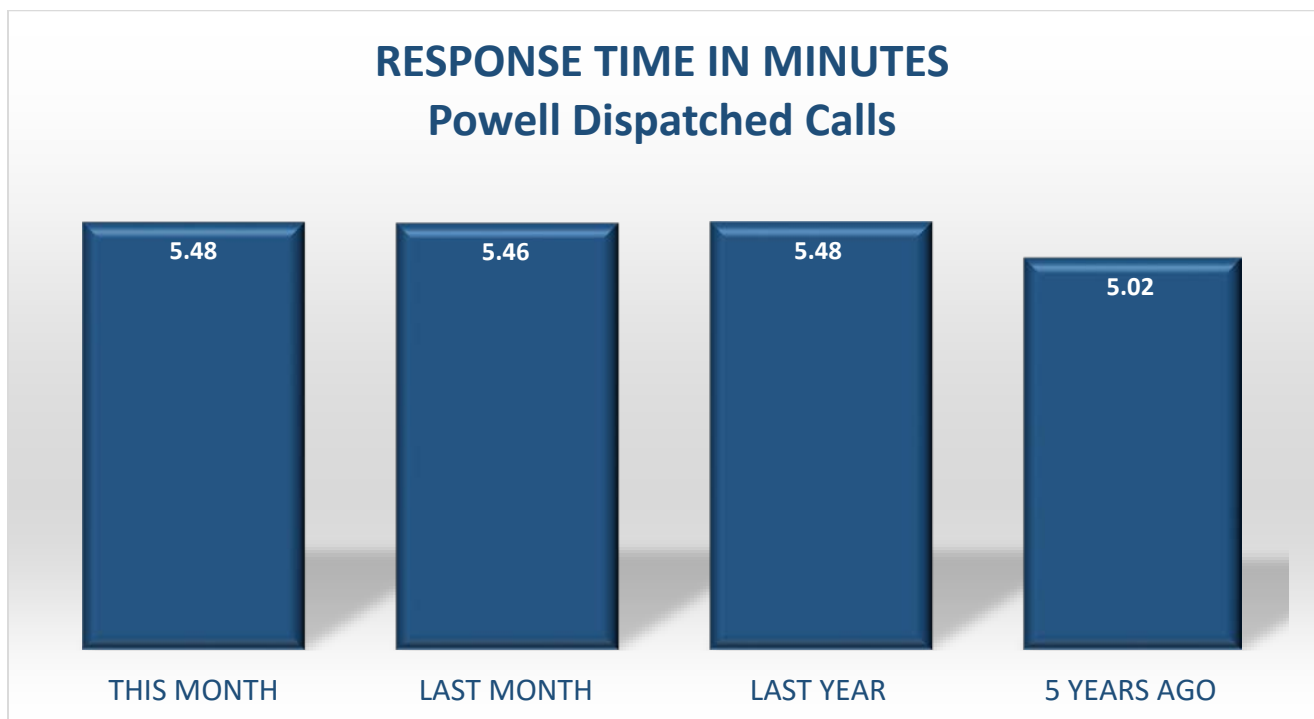
NATURE	MINUTES ON CALLS	PERCENT OF TIME	CALLS	PERCENT OF CALLS
Business / House Check	4,634.1	22.3%	1051	58.6%
Special Detail	4,462.7	21.5%	85	4.7%
Follow-Up/Investigation	3,016.5	14.5%	75	4.2%
Traffic Control	2,222.4	10.7%	113	6.3%
Theft	1,045.0	5.0%	37	2.1%
Traffic Stop	936.6	4.5%	153	8.5%
Investigate Complaint	728.7	3.5%	34	1.9%
Assist Other Agency	672.9	3.2%	75	4.2%
Traffic Crash	614.2	3.0%	13	0.7%
Alarm/911 Hang-Up	482.1	2.3%	66	3.7%
Suspicious Activity	410.4	2.0%	38	2.1%
Well Being Check	247.1	1.2%	5	0.3%
Mental Health Crisis	203.3	1.0%	3	0.2%
Harassment/Threats	192.0	0.9%	7	0.4%
Domestic	156.0	0.8%	2	0.1%
Trash Dumping	137.8	0.7%	2	0.1%
Exposer	116.3	0.6%	1	0.1%
Animal Call	96.9	0.5%	5	0.3%
Lockout	93.3	0.4%	6	0.3%
Vandalism	86.5	0.4%	2	0.1%
Juvenile	67.4	0.3%	3	0.2%
Parking Complaint	52.4	0.3%	8	0.4%
Lost & Found	43.6	0.2%	3	0.2%
Sex Offense	21.0	0.1%	1	0.1%
Community Engagement	18.3	0.1%	5	0.3%
Suicide Attempt	12.1	0.1%	1	0.1%

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

STACKED CALLS



RESPONSE TIME



COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING

Officer Audrey Wilt partnered with Delaware City PD to give a presentation to the Powell United Methodist's women's club via Zoom. She spoke on Personal Safety, Home Safety and Scams. She attended the Central Ohio Crime Prevention meeting. She did a cruiser display for a four-year old's birthday. Instead of gifts, the boy wanted to give police treats and COVID supplies (pictured). She also installed four child car seats. ♦



DRONES

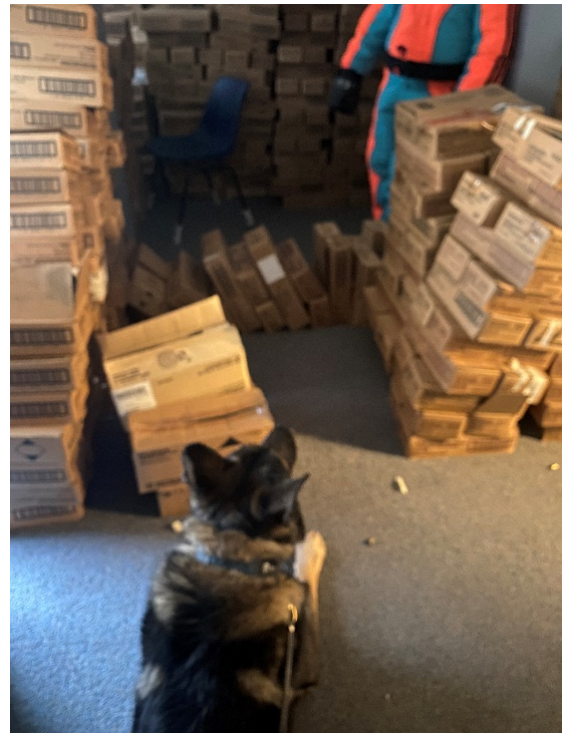
The Mavic drone was deployed for the Columbus police in January to help locate a missing person. Although the drone did not locate the subject, police located the person a short time later. The mini drone was used for training. ♦

K9 ACTIVITY

K9 Axel and his handler, Officer Jason Latiolais, completed 14 hours of training. There were no deployments. Right: Axel practices finding a person hiding in warehouse. ♦

TRAINING

In January the department conducted 57 hours of training to include **Supervisor Training and Education Program (STEP)**, **Photography for Investigators** and **NarcaneLearning Course**. ♦



USE OF FORCE

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

TRAFFIC SURVEY (STEALTH STAT)

The 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.

**SR 750 at Bennett Parkway
December 28, 2020 – January 3, 2021
Speed Limit 35**

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Eastbound	35.73	42	34-43	107.67
Westbound	34.37	41	33-42	298.12

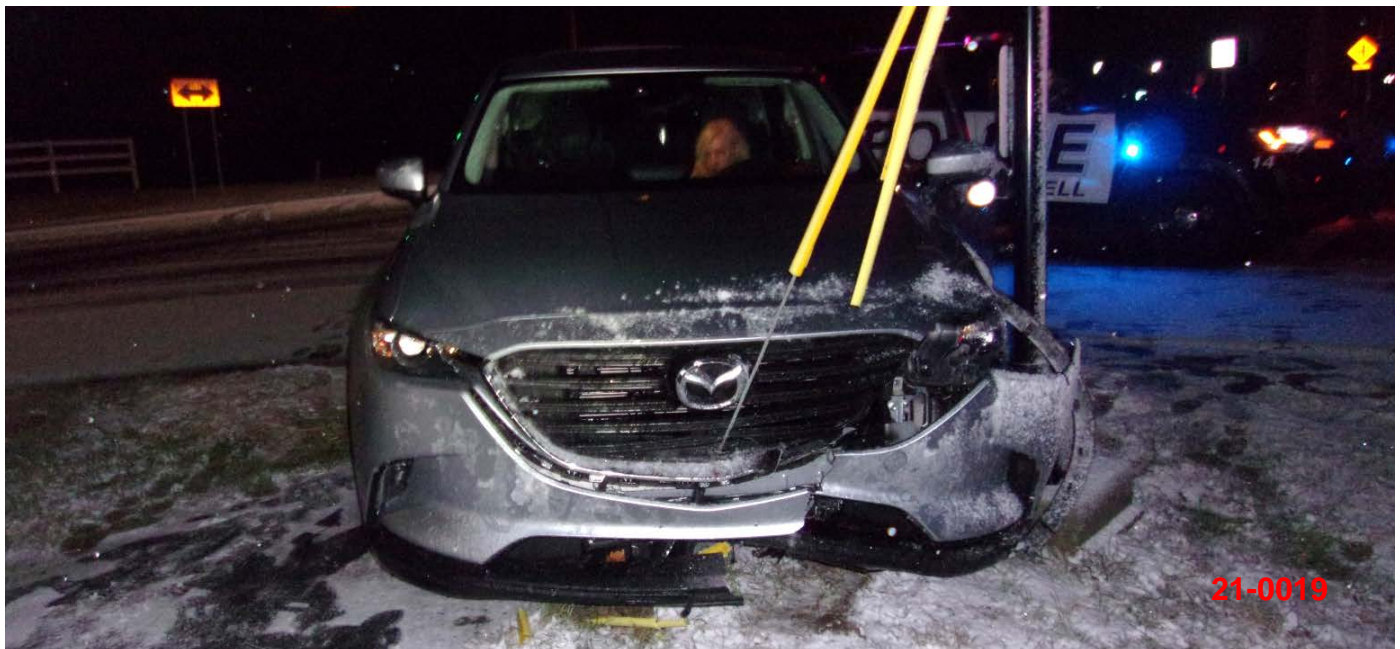
**Village Club Drive at Indian Springs Drive
January 4-11, 2021
Speed Limit 25**

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Eastbound	26.32	32	24-33	29.04
Westbound	26.76	32	23-32	30.02

**Wildflower Drive at Millway Loop
January 18-24, 2021
Speed Limit 25**

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Southbound	20.09	27	13-22	19.87
Northbound	23.72	31	23-32	21.09

TRAFFIC CRASHES



CASE	DATE	CAUSE	NARRATIVE
21-0004	1/2/21	FAILURE TO YIELD	Unit 1 was sitting stationary, waiting to pull out of the parking lot at 240 North Liberty Street onto Grace Drive. Unit 1 was too far into the roadway, and Unit 2 struck the front of Unit 1 as it drove eastbound on Grace Drive.
21-0017	1/15/21	ACDA	Unit 2 was traveling eastbound on SR 750 when it was rear ended by Unit 1, as it was stopped in traffic at SR 750 and Sycamore Ridge Drive. CITED.
21-0018	1/16/21	BACKING	Unit 1 reported backing out of a driveway (westbound) at 28 Bartholomew Blvd. While backing, Unit 1 struck a street lamp across the street. CITED.

CASE	DATE	CAUSE	NARRATIVE
21-0019	1/19/21	FAILURE TO CONTROL	Unit 1 was northbound on Liberty Road. Unit 1 attempted to make a left hand turn westbound onto Seldom Seen Road and slid northwest into a crosswalk sign, then into steel cable connected to a utility pole. CITED.
21-0021	1/19/21	ACDA	Unit 2 was stopped at the intersection of Sawmill Parkway and North Hampton Drive, facing northbound. Unit 1 failed to stop and struck Unit 2 from behind. CITED.
21-0024	1/19/21	TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE	Unit 1 was westbound, and Unit 2 was eastbound on SR 750 approaching the intersection of Grace Drive. Unit 2 stopped in the intersection, awaiting a break in traffic to make a left turn onto Grace Drive. The driver of Unit 2 stated the light turned red, and he proceeded to turn left. Unit 2 was struck by Unit 1 within the intersection. The driver of Unit 1 advised he proceeded through a yellow light and Unit 2 turned into him.
21-0027	1/20/21	ACDA	Unit 1 and Unit 2 were traveling eastbound on Seldom Seen Road from Sawmill Parkway. Unit 2 had stopped in traffic and was rear ended by Unit 1. CITED.
21-0029	1/22/21	FAILURE TO YIELD	Unit 2 was westbound on SR 750. Unit 1 exited the parking lot of 15 E Olentangy Street and struck Unit 2. CITED.
21-0037	1/24/21	FAILURE TO CONTROL	Unit 1 was stopped in the roadway of Sawmill Parkway near Dolman Drive facing westbound. Unit 2 was traveling southbound and struck Unit 1. Unit 2 then crossed the median into the northbound lanes of travel.
21-0038	1/25/21	FAILURE TO CONTROL	Unit 2 was parked in a parking space near 12 Village Pointe Drive, as Unit 1 attempted to turn into the parking lot. Unit 1 slid on ice and struck the driver's side rear corner of Unit 2 with the driver's side front of Unit 1.
21-0039	1/25/21	FAILURE TO CONTROL	Unit 1 was negotiating the turn in front of 4706 Village Club Drive when it slid on ice striking two trees and a mailbox with the passenger rear.

MAP OF TRAFFIC CRASHES



January 2021 Crash Type

- INJURY
- PRIVATE PROPERTY
- PROPERTY DAMAGE

Map by the City of Powell Development Department

THANK-YOU NOTES



ELLIDAO

Audrey and Powell PD,

Thank you for letting me look at
your patrol car and making me feel
extra special. I loved my coin, books, and
other goodies you gave me. I told my
mommy we're best friends!

Thank you,
Elliot



1/11/2021

Dear Audrey,

The Women's Club of Powell wants to thank you very much for our program tonight. We enjoyed the content and appreciate your doing it in spite of Covid. Take care of yourself!

Sincerely,
Marty Trauer



Powell PD,

Thank you for all that you
do to keep our town safe!
We are so appreciative of you
and your hard work. Thanks
for helping make Powell the
best city to raise our families
in! Sincerely,

The Bentan Family + The O'Leary Family
Coldwater Dr. Village Club Dr.

Voicemail received January 18, 2021

Yes Sergeant. Good morning. My name is Vince [REDACTED] over here in Lewis Center. Just wanted to give a brief shout out for Officer Heading. She had an interaction with my daughter Sophia last night on Sawmill Parkway, and just wanted to let you know that I am very appreciative of the way she interacted with my daughter her level of professionalism the advice you gave her as a new driver on behalf of my wife and I very much appreciate it. We did receive a phone call from Officer Heading and if that's something that Powell PD does for our children, keep it up keep doing it. That is absolutely phenomenal. Lets us know that you're out there watching over our children and you care for them, you know as we do. So again, just a shout out for her efforts on the job and really do appreciate it as a community member. Again, my name is Vince [REDACTED] over at Lewis Center. My number is [REDACTED]. And that's my cellphone. Appreciate your service and you guys stay safe out there. Alright. Thank you so much. Bye bye.

Email received January 8, 2021

Hello Officer Dennison!

I just wanted to thank you for taking the time to talk to me this past Saturday morning. Your caring and understanding meant a great deal to me and helped me get through the weekend! The Buccaneers win helped a little as well 😊. In all seriousness though, each day is a real struggle worrying constantly about my marriage and family. I'm hoping that my wife will be able to look at everything with an honest heart and start to make decisions that are morally right and God pleasing.

You are one of the reasons I know this community is the right place for my family. I thank you again and hope and pray for your safety on the job and many years of happiness in your marriage!

With sincere heartfelt thanks,
Joe