



The City of Powell Police Department

February 2023 Activity Report

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Chief of Police



STATISTICS

	Current Month	Last Month	Last Year	5 Years Ago
Calls for Service	1,951	2,120	1,879	1,684
Dispatched Calls	358	418	370	433
Police Reports	40	72	39	98*
Adult Arrests	1	15	4	7
Juvenile Arrests	0	2	0	0
Traffic Stops	132	121	103	115
Traffic Citations	11	21	5	14
Traffic Crashes	9	19	8	10
False Alarms	41	32	31	25
House Watches	36	46	21	51
Preventative Patrols	158	151	150	119
Stacked Calls	10	14	13	26

**We no longer count false alarms as Police Reports.*

NOTABLE CASES

Speed | We encountered cases of excessive speed on Sawmill Parkway. This is a concern because we have had a fatal crash and several crashes with serious injuries in recent years on Sawmill Parkway. Speeders were clocked at 66, 72, 79 and 82 miles per hour in the 45 mph zone.

Attempted Theft | In September 2022, two suspects attempted to steal \$1,700 worth of merchandise from a grocery store on West Powell Road. Loss Prevention was able to identify the suspects, as they were habitual offenders. One was on parole for the same type of crime. Both suspects pled guilty to the crime in February. ♦



NATURE OF CALLS FOR SERVICE

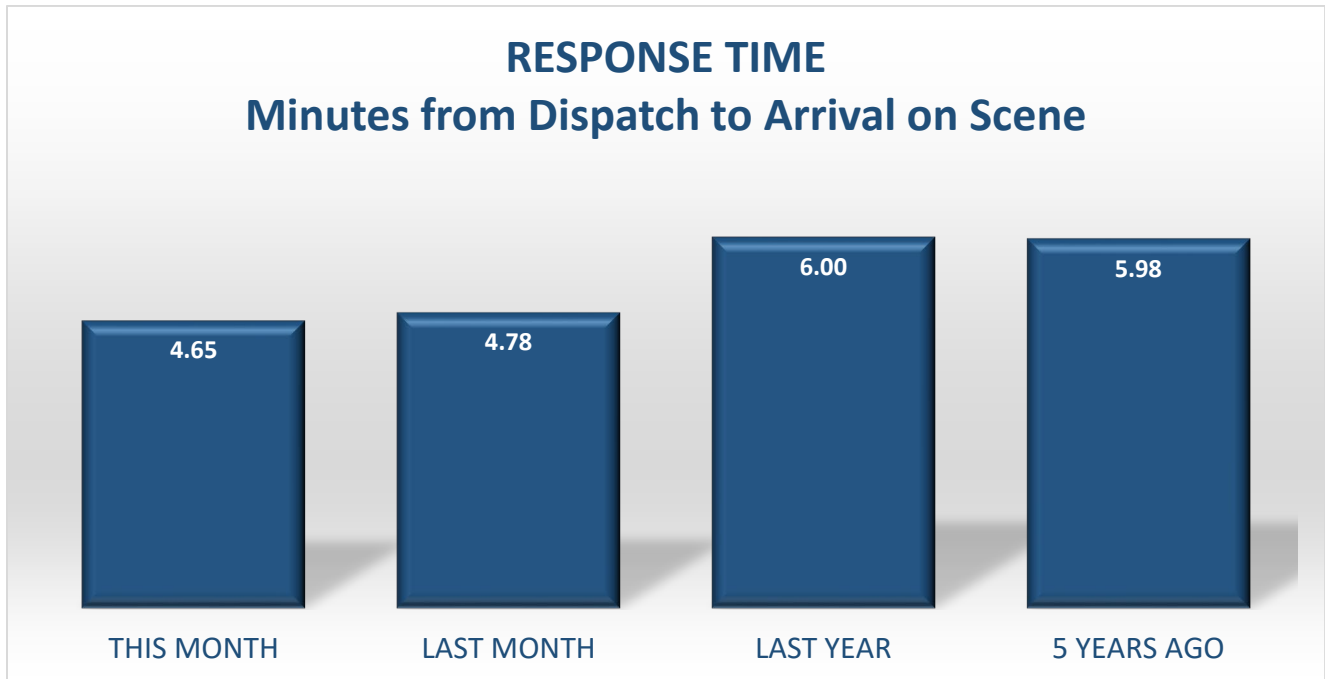
INCIDENT TYPE	MINUTES ON CALLS	PERCENT OF TIME	CALLS	PERCENT OF CALLS
WELL BEING CHECK	633.3	22.9%	9	0.5%
THEFT	470.3	17.0%	16	0.8%
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY / UNIT	348.7	12.6%	81	4.2%
INVESTIGATE COMPLAINT	164.0	5.9%	27	1.4%
MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS	129.9	4.7%	2	0.1%
CRASH	128.1	4.6%	11	0.6%
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	116.4	4.2%	32	1.6%
JUVENILE	113.0	4.1%	8	0.4%
TRAFFIC CONTROL / DETAIL	102.9	3.7%	110	5.6%
WARRANT	92.9	3.4%	2	0.1%
ALARM/911 HANG-UP	72.9	2.6%	71	3.6%
DOMESTIC	59.0	2.1%	4	0.2%
SPECIAL DETAIL	59.1	2.1%	61	3.1%
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	53.9	1.9%	6	0.3%
ASSAULT	42.9	1.5%	2	0.1%
LOST & FOUND	40.6	1.5%	7	0.4%
BUSINESS / HOUSE CHECK	35.1	1.3%	1218	62.5%
FOLLOW-UP / INVESTIGATION	35.7	1.3%	102	5.2%
HARASSMENT/THREATS	29.1	1.0%	4	0.2%
PARKING COMPLAINT	15.4	0.6%	12	0.6%
ANIMAL CALL	12.7	0.5%	1	0.1%
TRAFFIC STOP	8.7	0.3%	132	6.8%
LOCKOUT - VEHICLE/OTHER	6.8	0.2%	32	1.6%

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

STACKED CALLS



RESPONSE TIME



TRAINING

In February the department completed 125.25 hours of training. The agency training included the PELCAA Annual Leadership Conference, Council Goals, the new crime scene camera L-Tron (OSCR360), Manipulation/Grooming in Child Abuse Investigations, Amber Alert Essentials for First Responders, and Temporary Holding Facility Annual Training. ♦

USE OF FORCE

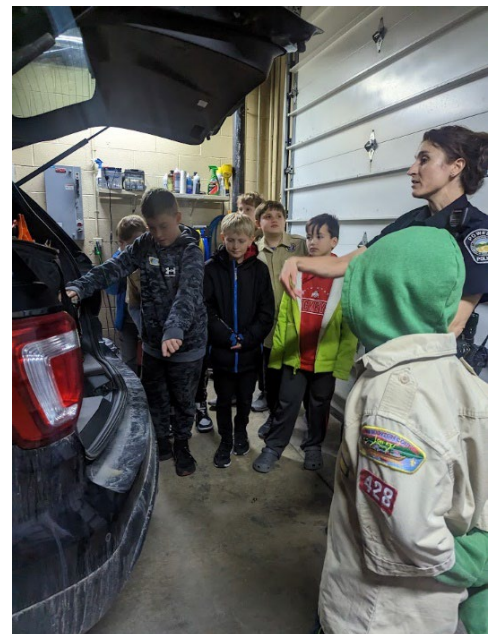
The Powell Police Department carefully tracks all uses of force by the agency. There were no uses of force in February. ♦

DRONES

The drones were not deployed in February. ♦

COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING

- ❖ Officer Audrey Wilt gave two presentations to government classes at Olentangy Liberty High School.
- ❖ One Cub Scout tour (pictured) and one Girl Scout tour of the department, THF and cruiser.
- ❖ Officer Wilt installed five car seats and inspected one golf cart. ♦



CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM

Police respond to many calls that are not criminal in nature. Using a CIT (Crisis Intervention Team) disposition notifies HelpLine of Delaware and Morrow Counties that there is a need for further assistance. HelpLine reviews the call information and assigns follow up by agencies such as Maryhaven, SourcePoint, Syntero, or the Delaware County Board of Mental Health.

In February, there were two CIT calls. ♦

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.

Triple Crown Crossing at Bachman Drive February 6-12, 2023, Speed Limit 25

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Eastbound	20.70	25	16-25	7.85
Westbound	20.32	26	18-27	8.05

TRAFFIC CRASHES

CASE	DATE	CAUSE	NARRATIVE
23-02257	2/2/2023	BACKING	Unit 1 was driving through the parking lot of 3488 Seldom Seen. Unit 2 attempted to back from a parking space and struck Unit 1 in the parking lot on the front passenger corner of Unit 2.
23-02266	2/2/2023	ACDA	Unit 1 was traveling north bound on Galloway Dr. and failed to keep an assured clear distance ahead. Unit 1 rear ended Unit 2 who was also traveling northbound, as it attempted to make a right hand turn into 9505 Galloway Dr. CITE
23-02346	2/3/2023	HIT-SKIP	Unit 1 traveled east in the parking lot of 356 W. Olentangy St. Unit 1 made a right turn, traveling southeast, and struck three mailboxes.
23-02489	2/5/2023	OVI	Unit 2 was parked facing north in the parking lot of 10241 Sawmill Pkwy. Unit 1 was parked west of Unit 2. Unit 1, backing, traveled southwest and struck Unit 2. CITE

23-02784	2/9/2023	HIT-SKIP	Unit 2 parked in the Giant Eagle parking lot at approximately 1650 hours. The driver of Unit 2 went into Giant Eagle and when he returned around 1700 hours, his vehicle had been struck by an unknown vehicle. Unit 2 was parked in the southeast corner of the lot, 3/4 of the way to the Get Go Gas Station.
23-03026	2/14/2023	FAILURE TO CONTROL	Unit 1 was facing south in the parking lot at 3758 W. Powell Rd. Unit 1 rolled north and struck a curb then turned traveling west and struck another curb. Unit 1 struck a curb in the parking lot of 9595 Sawmill Pkwy, then continued rolling west and struck another curb. Unit 1 traveled west across Sawmill Pkwy. and struck a street sign, a utility pole, and a stop sign.
23-03325	2/17/2023	FAILURE TO YIELD	Unit 2 reports that she was driving away from a parked position at 3954 W. Powell Rd. which caused her to be on the left side of the alley way. Unit 1 came from behind the building in the normal lane of travel and struck Unit 2.
23-03616	2/22/2023	BACKING	Unit 1 was backing in the intersection of Cressingham Ln. and Timberknoll Loop. Unit 2 left the roadway and struck a light pole knocking it over. Unit 1 left the scene without reporting the crash.
23-03632	2/26/2023	BACKING	Unit 1 was stopped in front of Unit 2 traveling eastbound on 750 at South Liberty St. Both vehicles were stopped at a red light when an unknown truck attempted to turn west onto 750 from North Liberty St. The truck was unable to maneuver the turn, so the driver of Unit 1 backed his truck up to give the turning truck more room. The driver of Unit 1 didn't realize how close he was to Unit 2 and backed into Unit 2 causing minimal damage to Unit 2.

MAP OF TRAFFIC CRASHES



Crash Type

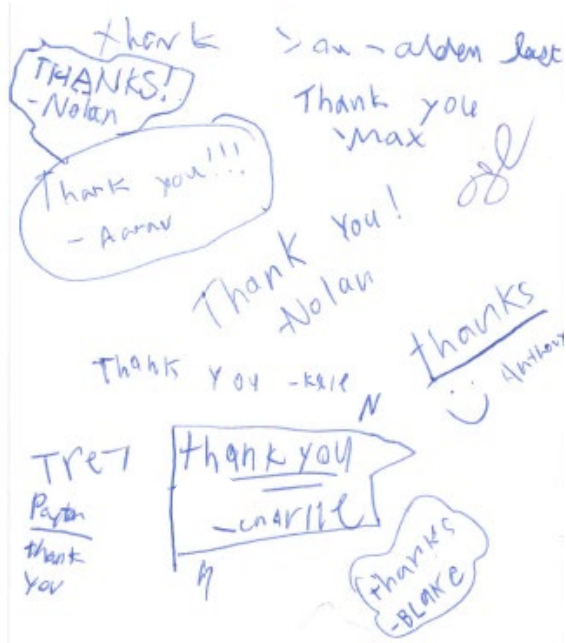
- INJURY
- INJURY & PRIVATE PROPERTY
- PRIVATE PROPERTY
- PROPERTY DAMAGE

Map by the City of Powell Development Department

NOTES OF SUPPORT



THANK YOU!



Citizen Commendation for Jillian Elliott

Ofc. Elliott received the following Citizen Commendation, via the City of Powell's website submission:

Thank you to Officer Elliott 743 for noticing that our garage door was open on the night of February 15. I had taken our dog out around midnight, and went back into the house, forgetting to close the garage door. My husband and I appreciate the attentiveness of your department!

Sincerely,
Deborah Brewer