



The City of Powell Police Department

March 2023 Activity Report

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Chief of Police



STATISTICS

	Current Month	Last Month	Last Year	5 Years Ago
Calls for Service	2,031	1,951	2,164	1,810
Dispatched Calls	373	358	439	496
Police Reports	42	40	55	88*
Adult Arrests	9	1	9	7
Juvenile Arrests	1	0	1	4
Traffic Stops	143	132	139	125
Traffic Citations	4	11	14	10
Traffic Crashes	13	9	10	7
False Alarms	37	41	43	35
House Watches	60	36	68	87
Preventative Patrols	182	158	179	112
Stacked Calls	16	10	26	17

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

NOTABLE CASES

Thefts from Vehicles | Several Powell residents had their vehicles broken into during the overnight and morning hours of March 26-27, 2023, in the area of Powell Crossing. A resident was able to catch this quick image of the suspect walking from car to car and stealing items. The Powell Police Department would like to remind our residents to remove all valuables and secure their cars.

Assault | Police were called to a restaurant on West Powell Road when one patron struck another. The man was arrested and charged with assault and disorderly conduct. ♦



NATURE OF CALLS FOR SERVICE

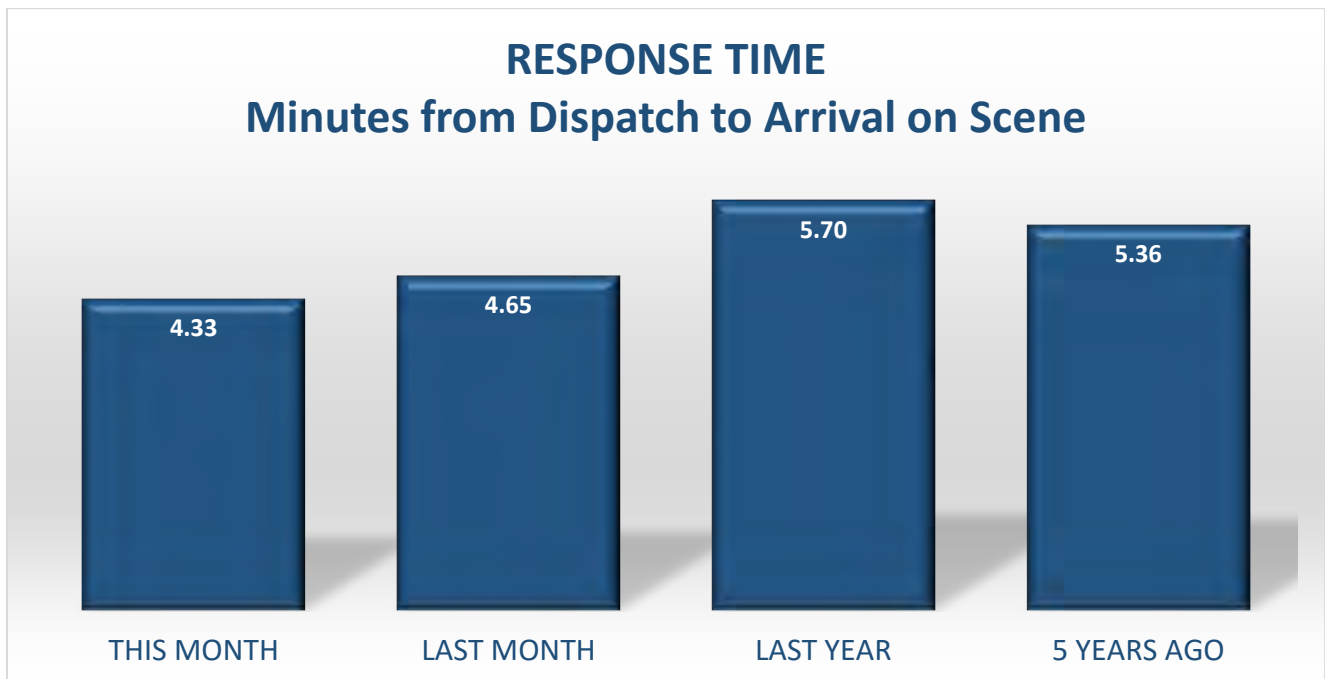
INCIDENT TYPE	MINUTES ON CALLS	PERCENT OF TIME	CALLS	PERCENT OF CALLS
BUSINESS / HOUSE CHECK	7010.3	23.7%	1277	62.9%
SPECIAL DETAIL	5223.0	17.6%	74	3.6%
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY / UNIT	2824.0	9.5%	64	3.2%
FOLLOW-UP / INVESTIGATION	2713.5	9.2%	62	3.1%
TRAFFIC CONTROL / DETAIL	2617.5	8.8%	134	6.6%
THEFT	2133.6	7.2%	22	1.1%
ALARM/911 HANG-UP	1040.1	3.5%	83	4.1%
TRAFFIC STOP	997.2	3.4%	144	7.1%
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	675.3	2.3%	15	0.7%
CRASH	593.0	2.0%	13	0.6%
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	440.8	1.5%	26	1.3%
INVESTIGATE COMPLAINT	438.1	1.5%	29	1.4%
WARRANT	383.2	1.3%	6	0.3%
WELL BEING CHECK	349.9	1.2%	8	0.4%
SUICIDE ATTEMPT	315.3	1.1%	2	0.1%
ACTIVE THREAT	270.1	0.9%	1	0.0%
JUVENILE	269.3	0.9%	4	0.2%
LOST & FOUND	269.0	0.9%	3	0.1%
LOCKOUT - VEHICLE/OTHER	187.9	0.6%	40	2.0%
ANIMAL CALL	177.3	0.6%	8	0.4%
HARASSMENT/THREATS	168.4	0.6%	5	0.2%
FIGHT	137.4	0.5%	1	0.0%
DEATH INVESTIGATION	131.6	0.4%	1	0.0%
DOMESTIC	112.7	0.4%	2	0.1%
PARKING COMPLAINT	83.4	0.3%	6	0.3%
MISSING PERSON	41.3	0.1%	1	0.0%

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

STACKED CALLS



RESPONSE TIME



TRAINING

In March the department completed 342.5 hours of training including mandated Continuing Professional Training (CPT) in Ohio School Threat Assessment. The agency held a staff meeting covering diversity training. Other training consisted of Supervisor Training and Education Program (STEP), Instructional Skills, Verbal De-Escalation and Conflict Resolution, QPR Gatekeeper Instructor Certification, Law Enforcement Symposium - Updated Laws, and Public Records, Social Media, and Crisis Communications. ♦



USE OF FORCE

The Powell Police Department carefully tracks all uses of force by the agency. There was one use of force in March.

- ❖ A patron at a restaurant on West Powell Road struck another patron. When police arrived, he became combative, attempting to kick and head-butt officers. He was lowered to the ground and hobbled to prevent injury. He was cleared by medics and transported to jail, charged with assault and disorderly conduct. ♦

DRONES

The drones were not deployed in March. ♦

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 March, there was one CIT call. ♦

COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING

- ❖ Officer Audrey Wilt attended the Multi-Agency Crisis Intervention Team (MACIT) meeting.
- ❖ She gave a presentation on Women in Law Enforcement to a high school Women's Studies class.
- ❖ Officer Wilt checked five car seats at a special event and inspected four golf carts.
- ❖ She attended two homeowners' association meetings.
- ❖ She received hostage negotiator training for the Crisis Negotiation Team.
- ❖ With Detective Darren Smith, Officer Wilt investigated the possibility of deploying Flock cameras. ♦

SPEED TRAILER/MESSAGE BOARD

The agency acquired a solar-powered speed trailer and message board. This will be used in areas with speed complaints, for special events, and for road closures. ♦



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.

Retreat Lane at Pheasant Run March 21-27, 2023, Speed Limit 25

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Eastbound	29.44	36	27-36	12.99
Westbound	26.81	33	24-33	14.10

TRAFFIC CRASHES



CASE	DATE	CAUSE	NARRATIVE
23-05086	3/16/2023	FAILURE TO YIELD INJURY	Unit 2 was traveling south on Sawmill Parkway. Unit 3 was facing east on Rutherford Rd. in the left hand turn lane. Unit 1 was traveling north on Sawmill Parkway, turned left traveling west and was struck by Unit 2. Unit 1 then struck Unit 3 and overturned. CITE
23-05169	3/17/2023	HIT-SKIP	Unit 2 was parked northbound on Indian Springs Dr. in front of 7685. Unit 1 was northbound on Indian Springs Dr. and struck Unit 2 and then left the scene. CITE
23-05665	3/25/2023	MARKED LANES INJURY	Unit 1 failed to remain in their marked lane when making a right turn to go south on S. Liberty St. from a private drive located at 169 S. Liberty Street. As a result, Unit 1 struck Unit 2. At the time of the collision, Unit 2 was stopped in traffic and was traveling northbound on S. Liberty St. CITE
23-05866	3/21/2023	MARKED LANES INJURY	Unit 2 was eastbound on Home Rd. in the right hand lane. Unit 1 was eastbound on Home Rd. in the left hand lane. Unit 2 started to make a turn onto Guardwell St. and advised that Unit 1 entered into his lane of travel. Unit 2 avoided a collision with Unit 1 by driving onto Guardwell St. but during this action, Unit 2 went over the curb causing damage to his vehicle. Unit 1 left the scene and cannot be identified. Unit 1 was described as a black SUV of unknown make or model.
23-05989	3/30/2023	ACDA	Units 1 and 2 were westbound on SR 750 at Grace Dr. Unit 2 stopped for a traffic signal. Unit 1 failed to stop and struck Unit 2

MAP OF TRAFFIC CRASHES

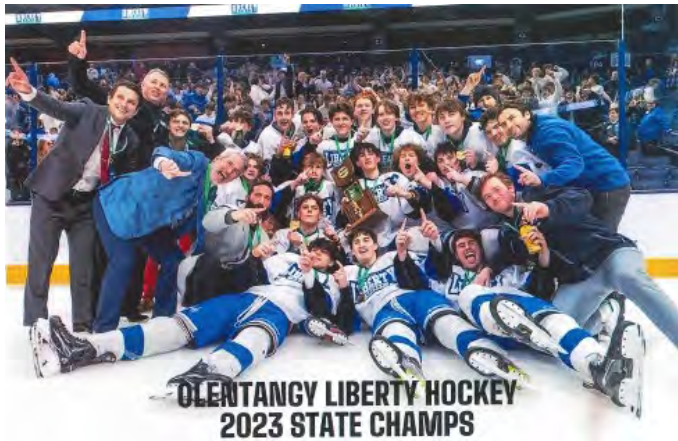


Crash Type

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

Map by the City of Powell Development Department

NOTES OF SUPPORT



Officer Wiet -
Thank you again for arranging
a send off and escort by
the Powell Police Department.
It was fun to be on the
bus with a police escort to
our final game.
Thank you, from Jacob Kempa
and the whole team
Jacob Kempa, Captain
'22-'23 State Champion Ice Hockey
Team Olentangy Liberty HS

Thank you for your support this season. We are grateful for the donations, time, generosity, media coverage and the continued recognition our community provided. You helped us accomplish our goal to make history in central Ohio.

Fondly, The OLHS Hockey
Team and Coaches

Citizen Commendation for Sarah Convery

Regan from Kinsale sent a note thanking Sarah for her genuine concern after checking up on an employee from Kinsale the day after he fell into the swimming pool. Great Job representing the Powell Police Department!



Audrey,

I thank you for helping
me with the baby seats,
twice.

I appreciate you mak-
ing this happen for me

Patty Coolidge



Thank you so much for coming to meet with us! We're appreciative of the information and insight you provided. FLA is looking forward to working with you out in the future.

Blessings,
Faith Life Academy

Citizen Compliment for Audrey Wilt

Ofc. Audrey Wilt provided a police department tour for a school field trip and made a great impression on the children that attended! Thank you for setting the example and giving the children a great tour.