



The City of Powell Police Department June 2023 Activity Report

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Chief of Police



STATISTICS: Council Goal 1-2, M1 & M4 Crime & Traffic Statistics

	Current Month	Last Month	Last Year	5 Years Ago
Calls for Service	1,793	1,926	1,889	1,786
Dispatched Calls	524	519	493	611
Police Reports	68	60	70	146*
Adult Arrests	2	4	3	22
Juvenile Arrests	2	1	0	5
Traffic Stops	71	90	110	109
Traffic Citations	12	11	15	39
Traffic Crashes	24	25	19	22
False Alarms	43	34	41	36
House Watches	77	48	59	65
Preventative Patrols	168	165	247	107
Stacked Calls	24	20	12	57

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

NOTABLE CASES

Stolen Vehicles | A car was stolen from the Verona subdivision on a night when several cars were broken into. That car was recovered in Columbus. A car that was stolen in Columbus was recovered in the Verona subdivision. Detectives are pursuing a number of leads and expect to find the suspects. ♦



NATURE OF CALLS FOR SERVICE

INCIDENT TYPE	TIME ON CALLS	PERCENT OF TIME	CALLS	PERCENT OF CALLS
BUSINESS / HOUSE CHECK	5278.6	17.1%	1014	56.6%
FOLLOW-UP / INVESTIGATION	3735.6	12.1%	100	5.6%
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY / UNIT	3352.4	10.9%	74	4.1%
SPECIAL DETAIL*	2791.5	9.1%	44	2.5%
ALARM/911 HANG-UP	1792.2	5.8%	127	7.1%
LOST & FOUND	1624.5	5.3%	12	0.7%
TRAFFIC CONTROL / DETAIL	1555.5	5.0%	80	4.5%
THEFT	1469.8	4.8%	26	1.5%
CRASH	1379.9	4.5%	24	1.3%
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	1200.8	3.9%	25	1.4%
INVESTIGATE COMPLAINT	1117.5	3.6%	39	2.2%
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	1009.7	3.3%	51	2.8%
WELL BEING CHECK	680.2	2.2%	7	0.4%
MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS	567.4	1.8%	6	0.3%
TRAFFIC STOP	542.2	1.8%	71	4.0%
ANIMAL CALL	439.2	1.4%	23	1.3%
HARASSMENT/THREATS	383.4	1.2%	5	0.3%
VANDALISM	344.4	1.1%	8	0.4%
DOMESTIC	329.2	1.1%	3	0.2%
JUVENILE	325.9	1.1%	8	0.4%
LOCKOUT	256.8	0.8%	27	1.5%
PARKING COMPLAINT	159.4	0.5%	10	0.6%
WARRANT	158.0	0.5%	1	0.1%
STOLEN VEHICLE	143.3	0.5%	2	0.1%
ASSAULT/FIGHT	88.6	0.3%	2	0.1%
NEIGHBOR TROUBLE	51.1	0.2%	2	0.1%
LIVESTOCK IN ROADWAY	50.9	0.2%	1	0.1%
SHOOTING - SOUNDS OF SHOTS	15.9	0.1%	1	0.1%

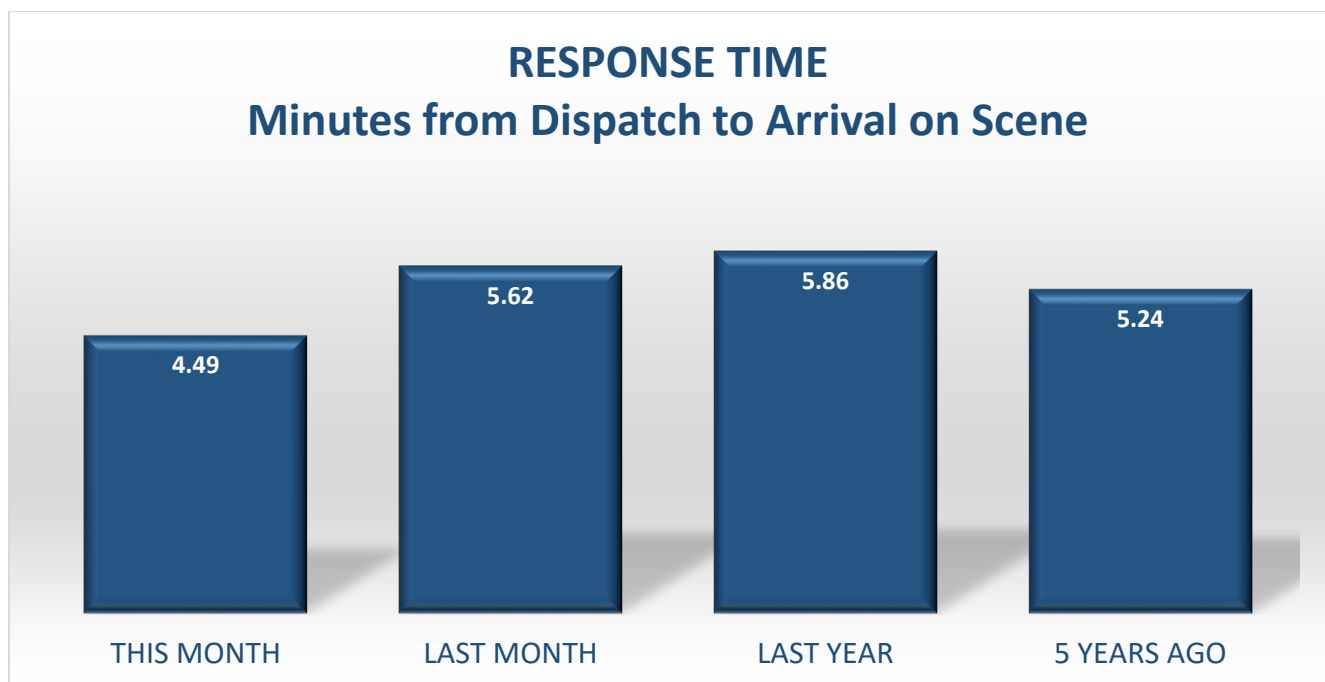
This is the nature of the call as originally reported by the dispatcher.

**Special Detail includes meeting, administrative tasks, maintenance, court runs, and special duty.*

STACKED CALLS



RESPONSE TIME



TRAINING

Council Goal 6-3, M1 Document Employee Training

In June the department completed 137 hours of training. The training included State of Ohio mandated Continuing Professional Training in Legal Updates. The agency also completed AWR 147: Rail Car Incident Response, Computer Investigations via "Field Search Certification", Cellebrite Certified Operator Recertification, Field Search Software Training, Ohio Tactical Officer Association Conference, and Simunition Scenario Instructor and Safety Certification Course. ♦

USE OF FORCE

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

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 June, there were five CIT calls. ♦

COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING

Council Goal 1-2.11 Share Community Policing Activity with Community

Officer Audrey Wilt rewards a young bicyclist for wearing a helmet. The prize is ice cream donated by Dairy Queen.





Officers Jason Latiolais and Brandon Phenix staff the Police Department table at Powell Festival.

Below: Officers from Powell Police Department and the Delaware County Sheriff's Office performed overwatch duties at Powell Festival.



TRAFFIC SURVEY (STEALTH STAT)

Council Goal 1-2 M4 Maintain and Publish Traffic Statistics

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.

Sawmill Parkway at Village Club Drive 5/29/2023, Speed Limit 45

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Northbound	39.91	50	41-50	361.82
Southbound	41.99	49	41-50	189.47

State Route 750 at Railroad Crossing 6/5/2023, Speed Limit 25

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Eastbound	28.17	35	26-35	337.76
Westbound	27.92	34	26-35	227.83

Bennett Parkway at Shale Ridge Court 6/5/2023, Speed Limit 25

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Northbound	29.65	34	25-34	40.44
Southbound	30.40	36	27-36	38.00

TRAFFIC CRASHES:

Council Goal 1-2 M4 Maintain and Publish Traffic Statistics



CASE	DATE	CAUSE	NARRATIVE
23-09822	6/1/2023	HIT-SKIP	Unit 1 was parked facing east at 161 S Liberty St. between 1400 - 1700 hours. Unit 1 driver returned to find damage to their rear bumper. There are no cameras in the parking lot area. The driver of Unit 1 sent an email to land lord to check with all other tenants in the building.
23-10117	6/6/2023	ACDA	While driving southbound on Sawmill Parkway, Unit 1 struck Unit 2 while Unit 2 was stopped at a traffic signal. CITE
23-10131	6/6/2023	ACDA	Unit 1 was traveling east bound on SR 750 nearing Olentangy Ridge Pl. Unit 1 failed to keep an assured clear distance ahead and rear-ended Unit 2, who was stopped in traffic. The impact from Unit 1 caused Unit 2 to rear end Unit 3 who was also stopped in traffic. CITE

23-10214	6/7/2023	BACKING	Unit 1 was backing out of the driveway at 7954 Gateway Ln. when they struck the mailbox. ARREST
23-10244	6/8/2023	FAILURE TO CONTROL	Unit 1 failed to control their vehicle and as a result sideswiped Unit 2. Unit 2 was parked an unoccupied at the time of the crash at 3940 Village Club Drive. CITE
23-10754	6/16/2023	FAILURE TO YIELD Injury	Unit 1 was northbound on Sawmill Pkwy attempting to turn west onto Rutherford Rd. Unit 1 failed to yield to Unit 2 who was southbound on Sawmill Pkwy causing Unit 2 to strike Unit 1. CITE
23-10755	6/16/2023	FAILURE TO YIELD Injury	Unit 1 was southbound on CR 609 (Sawmill Pkwy.) in the left turn lane to turn east on to Presidential Pkwy. Unit 2 was northbound on CR 609 (Sawmill Pkwy.) passing through the intersection of Presidential Pkwy on a solid green light. Unit 1 failed to yield when turning left and struck Unit 2. CITE
23-10842	6/18/2023	ACDA	Unit 2 was stopped at a traffic light eastbound on Seldom Seen at N. Liberty when Unit 1 failed to use assured clear distance ahead and rear-ended Unit 2. CITE
23-10853	6/18/2023	FAILURE TO CONTROL	Unit 1 was traveling south on Grace Dr. Unit 1 stated he was distracted by his cell phone when he was negotiating a turn. He struck the curb and then hit a mailbox at 60 Grace Dr. Unit 1 went to 80 Grace Dr. and pulled over due to sustaining a flat tire. CITE
23-11028	6/21/2023	HIT-SKIP	Unit 2 was parked on W Olentangy St. Unit 2 was struck on their passenger side during their work day. Unit 2 came out to a note left on their vehicle. The driver was contacted and admitted to causing the accident. He stated he thought he had struck a curb.
23-11033	6/21/2023	FAILURE TO CONTROL Injury	Unit 1 was traveling westbound on SR 750 when it traveled left of center, overcorrected, and ran off the right side of the roadway. Unit 1 then struck a tree and went partially airborne, then struck a second tree. Unit 1 overturned and came to rest striking a third tree. CITE

23-11066	6/22/2023	ACDA Injury	Unit 1 was traveling eastbound on SR 750 and failed to keep an assured clear distance. Unit 1 rear ended Unit 2 who was stopped in heavy traffic. CITE
23-11067	6/22/2023	FAILURE TO YIELD	Unit 1 was facing north at the stop sign on Sycamore Ridge Dr. Unit 2 was eastbound on Olentangy St. Unit 1 failed to yield on left turn causing Unit 2 to strike their vehicle. Unit 1 was a truck pulling a trailer. CITE
23-11155	6/24/2023	FAILURE TO CONTROL Injury	Unit 1 was not put in park properly while in a parking lot on Sawmill Pkwy. As a result, Unit 1, driverless, began moving forward and struck a light pole. After striking the light pole, the owner of Unit 1 was pinned between the car and pole. The car continued forward, hopped a curb, the rear tires ran over the legs of the owner, and continued into a grassy area near the parking lot.
23-11165	6/24/2023	HIT-SKIP	Units 1 and 2 were southbound on Sawmill Pkwy. north of SR 750. Unit 2 stopped for the traffic signal. Unit 1 stopped and then pulled his foot off the brake and drove into Unit 2.
23-11254	6/26/2023	BACKING	Unit 2 was southbound in the parking lot. Unit 1 backed out of a parking space striking the passenger side rear door of Unit 2
23-11341	6/27/2023	FAILURE TO YIELD	Unit 2 was eastbound on Home Rd. at Sawmill Pkwy. Unit 1 was westbound on Home Rd. attempting to turn left onto Sawmill Pkwy. Unit 1 failed to yield and turned in front of Unit 2 and was struck. Unit 2 provided dash camera video showing the crash. CITE
23-11553	6/30/2023	HIT-SKIP	Unit 2 was northbound on SR 315 when Unit 1, traveling southbound on SR 315, veered left of center and struck the driver's side mirror of Unit 2. Unit 1 left the scene prior to police arrival and did not provide any information to Unit 2.

The number of traffic crashes on page 1 represents all the calls officers were dispatched to. These are the crashes that required police reports.

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



June 19, 2023
Dear Powell Police,
Thank you for
rescuing the baby
fawn, who managed
to fall into my very
deep egress window
well, last nite.
I truly appreciate
your effort - my
heart was broken.

my little dog, Lily,
also says thank
you to Gillian + Matt,
they are her new
best friends.

We appreciate
having such nice
professionals, who
helped in our time
of need. Sincerely,
Mary Beth + Lily Butcher

Citizen Commendation for Jillian Elliott

Clerk Wolfe received a call from a resident on Chasely Circle, who wished to thank Ofc. Elliott for noticing the doors on his vehicle were left open overnight. The homeowner was very grateful for Ofc. Elliott's attention to detail and her efforts in remedying the situation for him.

Great job Ofc. Elliott in continuing to be vigilant with your patrol tactics and for providing a high level of attention during your daily patrol duties! Keep up the great work!

June 26, 2023

Police Chief Stephen Hrytzik
47 Hall Street
Powell, OH 43065-8357

Re: Officer Darren Smith

Dear Chief:

I want to commend your department for the great job they did for me finding our stolen vehicle. Your officers are special.

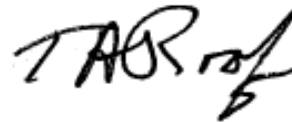
I want to thank Officer Darren Smith for a great job!! He was and is very professional and committed.

I was president of Hardin County's civil service board for over 35 years, thus I know the difficulties you face. You are lucky to have the leadership and experience of Officer Smith.

As a small token of our appreciation have lunch on us.

Thanks!

Sincerely yours,



Thomas A. Roof



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