



# JONESBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## Mission Statement



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## Chief's Message

Dear Community Members;

The City of Jonesboro Police Department strives to ensure that all of our citizens are served in a professional, ethical, and equitable manner that respects individuals. We make every effort to protect our democratic ideals and system of government. We pursue greater accountability of officers, greater public share in decision making, and greater concern for civil rights and liberties.



Our reports are issued with the intention to inform our citizens and elected officials about our efforts and the subsequent results. In order to ensure uniformity in crime reporting, we utilize the standard format of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS).

As this report indicates, the department has been successful in its efforts to control criminal activity over the last 10 years. In 2016, we observed an increase criminal activity. Both crime rate and count of offenses are up, likely due to population growth and other factors that typically adversely affect crime rates. JPD has also experienced turnover in 2016 and my team has taken strong efforts to successfully ensure that JPD is fully employed.

There have been several changes and updates throughout the department in 2016. Highlights include the creation of a Community Outreach and Recruiting Division, the establishment of an in-house, state-approved Training Academy for new hires, and the new implementation of Data Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety, or DDACTS.

This report presents this information by division and unit, along with each division and unit's progress for the year. This information will provide a more detailed picture of how each division and their units operate.

Our success is attributed to advancement in proactive policing, improved investigative techniques, enhanced technology, research, and analysis. Foremost, our department would not be able to provide this outstanding level of service were it not for the diligence of our dedicated group of men and women who compose the Jonesboro Police Department. The JPD is proud to call these officers their own and is truly grateful for their loyalty, commitment, and service to the community of Jonesboro.

It is our honor to continue to protect and serve our community.

After you read this report, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions and concerns.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rick Elliott".

Rick Elliott  
Chief of Police

Command Staff



**Rick Elliott**  
**Chief of Police**



**Tim Eads**  
**Assistant Chief of Police**



**BJ Smith**  
**Captain**  
Administrative Services



**Scott Roper**  
**Captain**  
Special Operations

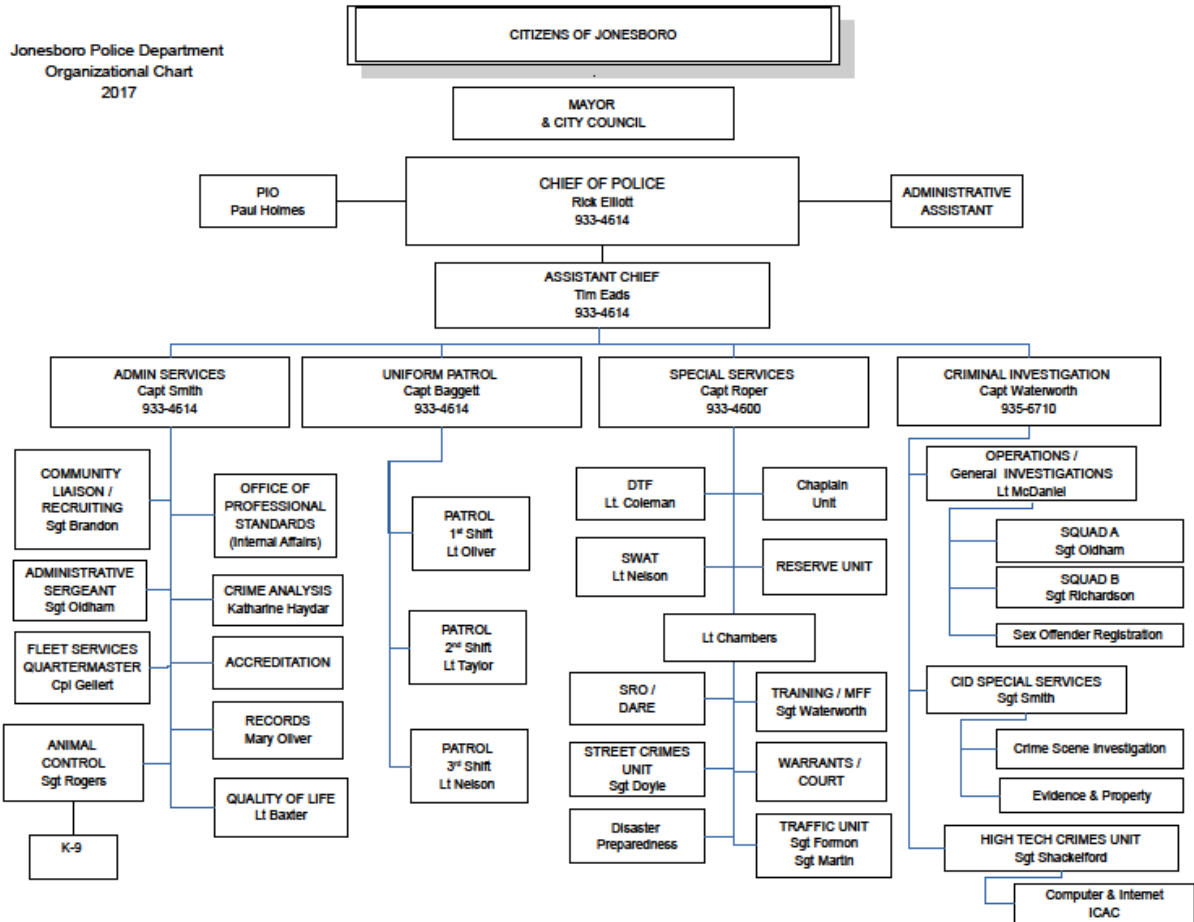


**Kelly Baggett**  
**Captain**  
Uniform Patrol



**Lynn Waterworth**  
**Captain**  
Criminal Investigation

2017 Organizational Chart



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## Uniform Patrol Division

The Uniform Patrol Division is frequently referred to as the “backbone of the police department.” Officers of this division are the most familiar to the general public because they are responsible for the 24/7 task of responding to calls for service, preventing criminal activity, conducting preliminary criminal investigations, apprehending criminals, traffic enforcement, accident investigation and community interaction.

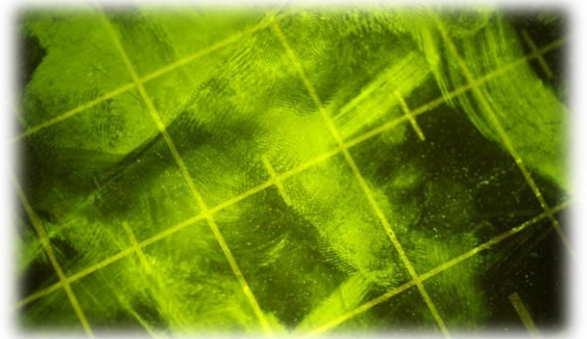


UPD Officers work eight hour shifts and are assigned to one of six different geographical areas of responsibility commonly referred to as Districts. The Division is divided into three shifts providing overlapping patrol coverage shift changes for continuous service. UPD is overseen by Captain Kelly Baggett, with each shift consisting of 20-25 officers who fall under the direct supervision of a shift lieutenant, who is assisted by 3 sergeants.

Incidents	2016	2015	% Change
Calls for Service/Complaints	44,923	55,948	-20%
Assists	18,639	17,738	5%
Incident Reports	10,959	10,410	5%
Street Accidents	1,409	1,370	3%
Private Property Accidents	558	619	-10%
Traffic Stops	22,651	23,916	-5%
Traffic Citations	8,004	5,426	48%
Written Warnings	6,486	9,390	-31%
DWI	263	224	17%
Mis. Arrests	12,410	4,304	188%
Felony Arrests	1,822	1,021	78%
Warrants Served	12,733	7,774	64%
Alarms	3,141	4,522	-31%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>143,998</b>	<b>189,598</b>	<b>-24%</b>
Hours Worked	102,510	92,785	10%

### Criminal Investigation Division

The Criminal Investigation Division is a 22 member unit tasked with the investigation of all types of crimes, as well as other investigative support functions. CID is under the direction of Captain Lynn Waterworth. Units within CID are General Investigations, Property and Evidence, Crime Scene, Sex Offender Registration and the High-Tech Crimes Unit. Detectives are on call 24 hours per day and frequently work varying schedules.



<b>INVESTIGATIONS</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>Change YTD</b>
Criminal Investigations Assigned	1747	1760	-1%
Criminal Investigations Closed	1183	1275	-7%
Cleared by Arrests	711	727	-2%
Cleared by Other Means	463	438	29%
<b>Crimes Against Persons</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>Last YTD</b>	<b>Change YTD</b>
Criminal Investigations Assigned	457	532	-14%
Criminal Investigations Closed	482	487	-1%
<b>Property Crimes</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>Last YTD</b>	<b>Change YTD</b>
Criminal Investigations Assigned	1115	1010	10%
Criminal Investigations Closed	619	595	4%
<b>Crimes Against Children</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>Last YTD</b>	<b>Change YTD</b>
Criminal Investigations Assigned	112	105	7%
Criminal Investigations Closed	73	78	-6%
<b>ICAC ACTIVITY</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>Last YTD</b>	<b>Change YTD</b>
Forensic Exams	215	272	-21%
Computers/Other Devices	36	95	-62%
Phones	191	205	-7%
Cyber Tips Received	26	22	18%
<b>CSI ACTIVITY</b>	<b>YTD</b>		
Scenes Processed	196		
Lab Processing	919		
Other Evidence Recovery Assistance	3		
<b>FINGERPRINTS</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>Last YTD</b>	<b>Change YTD</b>
Rolled for the Public	1847	1554	19%

## General Investigation

The Criminal Investigation Division Operations section is tasked with investigating most non-drug related felony crimes with a sufficient level of solvability. The unit consists of nine detectives that are supervised by two sergeants and a lieutenant and are responsible for investigating various types of crime including homicide, rape, robbery, burglary and forgery. In 2016, the city saw its second year of a slight increase in the number of vehicle break-ins. Much of the time, these events are linked, having been committed by the same suspect(s). Working with officers from other divisions, along with the victims themselves, detectives were able to identify and arrest multiple subjects in fifteen separate instances of multiple cases. These subjects were identified as being connected to and later charged with over 100 vehicle break-ins.

## Crime Scene Investigation

JPD has one sergeant and one detective devoted to crime scene investigation and evidence processing. Along with responding to major crime scenes and collecting certain items of video evidence, these detectives are also tasked with processing many of the items collected by patrol officers and detectives in the department's forensics lab. By processing these items in our own facility, it often saves time in order to retrieve evidence that could aid investigations more quickly. Both officers in this unit are state certified Crime Scene Technicians, utilizing a variety of state of the art processes, techniques and equipment.



## High-Tech Crimes Unit

These detectives are responsible for conducting searches of computers, phones, jump drives and other items that may store digital evidence and in 2016 conducted over 200 such forensic exams on various types of devices. Such exams can be relatively quick, taking perhaps a couple of hours, but others can take as long as two or more weeks to complete. As an affiliate agency of the Arkansas Division of the National Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, the primary task of this unit is investigating complaints of child exploitation and pursuing child predators including the investigation of 26 cyber tips received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) and numerous other complaints of cyber related criminal activity.

## Sex Offender Registration

The JPD is tasked with maintaining registration for over 120 individuals that reside in the city and are identified by the State of Arkansas as individuals required to register as sex offenders. Along with completing the mandatory reporting requirements for each individual, the JPD investigates reports of non-registered offenders and conducts multiple home visits and community notifications. In 2016, charges were brought against 20 subjects who violated registration conditions or requirements.

### Evidence & Property

The JPD evidence and property division is responsible for the care and custody of every item collected as evidence or recovered property. The officers and employees who work in the evidence section receive certified training through the International Association of Property and Evidence (IAPE), which follows the highest industry standards of integrity and professionalism. In 2016, the evidence and property section received 8,617 items.

In an effort to keep the overall number of items being held to a minimum, unit members worked with the prosecuting attorney's office, as well as District and Circuit Court, to streamline the receipt of case file dispositions that will allow for more efficient disposal of evidence once it is no longer needed for court. Additionally, the Department sought and attained the renewal of a business contract with the online auction service, Property Room, that will allow for the lawful disposal of items that are court ordered to be surrendered or confiscated.



## Special Services Division

The Special Services Division consists of a number of various units who are under the direction of Captain Scott Roper. This Division is responsible for deployment and monitoring of the activities of the Motorcycle Unit, Tactical Unit, Traffic Unit, D.A.R.E. program, School Resource Officer program, Warrants Unit, Reserve Officer Program, Police Chaplains, Honor Guard Unit, and Disaster Response Operations.



These specialized units were developed to combat crime or to better serve our community; they are trained for specific duties, and each of these units are staffed with specially trained officers and equipment specific to their mission. The officers who are assigned to these units often do so as an additional responsibility to their regular duty assignment.

Drug Task Force

The Drug Task Force (DTF) is responsible for investigating major drug traffickers in the area, including all types of illegal drugs. The DTF works closely with local, state, and federal agencies to eradicate drugs from the community.

INVESTIGATIONS	2016	2015	% Change
Opened	519	388	34%
Closed	412	302	36%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>35%</b>
<b>With Nexus to Jonesboro</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Opened	474	359	32%
Closed	0	0	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>32%</b>
<b>Outside Jonesboro (No Known Nexus)</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Opened	14	16	-13%
Closed	0	0	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-13%</b>
<b>ASSISTANCE RENDERED</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Assist to Outside Agencies	9	22	-59%
Assist to Jonesboro UPD/CID	134	96	40%
<b>ARRESTS</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Miscellaneous	309	198	56%
Felony	782	557	40%
Marijuana	118	77	53%
Cocaine	18	9	100%
Crack Cocaine	8	17	-53%
Methamphetamine/ICE	323	322	0%
LSD	1	0	100%
Extasy (MDMA or Other Designer Drug)	4	0	400%
Perscription	129	46	180%
Opiates (Heroine,Opium)	0	1	-100%
Labs	0	0	0%
All Other Drug Offenses	269	153	76%
<b>ASSET FORFEITURE</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Vehicles Seized(No.)	8	2	300%
Value of Assets Seized(Includes Value of vehicles)	\$ 168,619.00	\$ 70,353.00	140%
Asset Value Awarded to Jonesboro PD (State)	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Asset Value Awarded to Jonesboro PD (Federal)	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Asset Value Awarded to Jonesboro PD (Total)	\$ -	\$ -	0%
<b>ARRESTS DEMOGRAPHY</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Change</b>
White	371	256	45%
African American	183	131	40%
Latino	5	1	400%
Asain	0	0	0%
Other/Bi-Racial	0	0	0%
Male	388	278	40%
Female	171	120	43%
White Male	227	157	45%
White Female	139	100	39%
African American Male	161	113	42%
African American Female	21	19	11%
Latino Male	5	1	400%
Latino Female	0	0	0%
Asain Male	0	0	0%
Asain Female	0	0	0%
Other/Bi-Racial Male	0	0	0%
Other/Bi-Racial Female	0	0	0%

**Street Crimes Unit**

The Street Crimes Unit (SCU) is a uniformed street crimes unit specializing in criminal patrol, narcotics enforcement, gang investigation, and prostitution activity. The unit conducts directed patrols, investigates citizen complaints of street-level criminal activity, and directly assists the 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Drug Task Force. SCU also assists any division within the Jonesboro Police Department at any time when needed.

**Traffic**

The Traffic Enforcement Unit is composed of 6 officers who are dedicated to responding to traffic accidents and providing increased enforcement in particularly challenging areas. This unit also provides extra coverage for specific congestion problems and special events in the community. Last, they work details targeting specific issues, such as DWI enforcement and traffic safety checkpoints.

<b>Incidents</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Street Accidents	1796	1690	6%
Private Property Accidents	483	421	15%
Traffic Citations	1826	1488	23%
DWI	7	14	-50%
Mis. Arrests	50	88	-43%
Felony Arrests	0	4	-100%
Drug Arrests	0	0	0%
Public Intoxication Arrests	0	0	0%
Calls For Service	1335	1411	-5%
Alarms	14	0	1400%
Parking Citations	0	0	0%
Written Warnings	776	1186	-35%
Value of Assets Seized	0	0	0%
Patrol Miles	51612	61501	-16%
Hours Worked	10368	10829.5	-4%



*Sgt. Doug Formon and Ptl. Josh Wiest, Traffic Division*

Warrants

The Warrants Division is responsible for serving warrants, criminal summons, and subpoenas that are issued by the District Court. On city court days, the Warrants Division provides a bailiff for court and a transport officer. In addition, this Division is responsible for transporting wanted persons arrested in other jurisdictions back to Jonesboro.

<b>ARRESTS</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Misd. Arrests	12	19	-37%
Felony Arrests	6	8	-25%
<b>Total Arrests</b>	18	27	-33%
<b>WARRANTS SERVED</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Subpoenas	5025	5569	-10%
Commitments	30	66	-55%
Warrants Served	13484	12262	10%
Traffic Citations	14	9	56%
Complaints / Calls	79	68	16%
Assists	7	8	-13%
Alarms	0	0	0%
<b>MILEAGE</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Total Miles Driven	33509	36419	-8%



Seatbelt and Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP)

With the goal of reducing traffic related fatalities and injuries, the Jonesboro Police Department again participated in the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) made possible through a grant from the National Highway Transportation and Safety Administration and the Arkansas Highway Safety Office.

Funding from this grant enables officers to work additional hours enforcing traffic laws with an emphasis on Seat Belt Usage, Child Restraint Violations, Speeding, and DWI/DUI enforcement. Part of the program also includes participation in selected national enforcement projects throughout the year, which will include safety and sobriety checkpoints and saturation patrols.

Through funding from this grant, the Jonesboro Police Department was able to distribute over 500 Child Safety Seats for children who needed them this past year.

Additionally, the program supports a number of child safety seat clinics that were held throughout 2016 where the JPD, along with assistance from other agencies, installed and inspected hundreds of car seats, insuring that the seats were in good working order and properly installed.

STEP	2016	2015	% Change
DWI Arrest	4	1	300%
DUI Arrest	0	0	0%
Traffic Citations	441	426	4%
Felony Arrests	0	0	0%
Drug Arrests	0	0	0%
<b>STEP Totals</b>	445	427	4%
STEP Hours Worked	518	740.5	-30%
STEP Miles Driven	2098	4114	-49%

### Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE)

The goal of the D.A.R.E program of the Jonesboro Police Department is to reduce the incidences of juvenile crime and delinquency and provide proven, valuable student training through the Drug Abuse Resistance Education curriculum.

The D.A.R.E. Officer program is comprised of two veteran officers, both nationally certified in the D.A.R.E. curriculum, who annually provide D.A.R.E. training to over 2,000 students.



*Cpl. Kevin Foust, Dare officer*

### School Resource Officer (SRO)

The Jonesboro Police Department deploys officers to three school districts located within the city. Currently, there are a total of ten School Resource Officers in area schools. The officers are assigned to the Valley View School District, Jonesboro High School, Annie Camp Junior High School, Douglas MacArthur Junior High School, the Area Vocational Technical Center, and the Nettleton Public School District.

School Resource Officers are uniformed, certified police officers who receive specialized training to protect students, faculty, and staff on school property and to deal with school-related issues and promote safety on campus. SRO duties include patrolling school properties, assisting school officials with safety plans and crime issues, controlling traffic, providing security at school events such as ball games, taking reports, making arrests when needed, building positive relationships with students, parents, teachers and staff, and providing other law enforcement services as needed.



*SRO Officers Sheridan Watts, Dustin Campbell, and Russ Manning.*

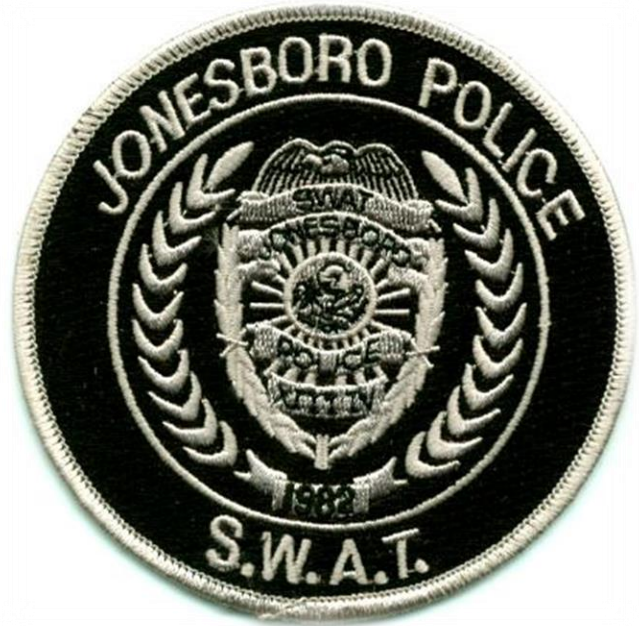
### Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)

The Jonesboro Police S.W.A.T. Unit can rapidly respond when needed.

The presence of a highly trained, highly skilled police tactical unit has been shown to substantially reduce the risk of injury or loss of life to citizens, police officers and suspects. A well-managed team response to critical incidents usually results in successful resolution of critical incidents. It is the intent of the Jonesboro Police Special Services Unit to provide a highly trained and skilled tactical team as a resource for the Jonesboro Police Department in the handling of critical incidents.

Currently, the team is comprised of 27 officers. In addition, the team has three medical doctors and five medics who are reserve police officers.

The Special Weapons and Tactics Team (S.W.A.T.) is trained to respond to a wide variety of critical incidents which include: hostage situations, barricade situations, active shooter situations, high-risk apprehensions, high-risk warrant service, personal protection, and other special protection assignments.



### Training

Officers of the Jonesboro Police Department are required to train in various subjects throughout the year. In addition to mandatory annual refresher training in topics including Bias-free Policing and Use of Force, officers must also complete additional hours of elective training in areas such as Basic Spanish for Law Enforcement, Crime Scene Management or Gang Investigation Techniques. Officers must also attend a range session for various firearms qualifications courses approximately once each quarter.

The training unit is under the direction of Sergeant Lyle Waterworth. The training coordinator is responsible for the coordination of all department training, including a comprehensive basic training for newly hired officers, as well as the continued refresher and specialty training for veteran officers.

New recruits to the Jonesboro Police Department must complete at least 33 weeks of training before they are permanently assigned to a shift as a certified police officer. One of the

The program consists of a twelve week evaluation period during which new officers are assigned to ride along with a specially trained FTO. Recruits ride for a four week period on each shift and are evaluated each day in twenty-five different areas by the FTO.



*Pfc. Heath Loggains*



*Ptl. Michael Talley*

## Honor Guard

The Honor Guard is a volunteer unit of full-time and reserve police officers who are dedicated to honoring the community and those who serve through a visible, professional display of respect by the department. This unit provides funeral services for current and retired officers. They also serve in parades and special events. The Honor Guard trains monthly and all of its members have other full-time duties.



## Reserve Program

The Jonesboro Police Department Reserve Police Officer Unit is composed of non-paid officers with reserve certification from the State of Arkansas. The unit is a valuable resource for the agency and supplements the day-to-day operations of the department. In doing so, it is the policy of the Jonesboro Police Department to ensure that its reserve police officers meet comparable training and proficiency requirements as required of regular full-time police officers.

Members of the Jonesboro Police Department's Reserve Police Officer Unit while on duty can exercise the same authority and have legal protection afforded full time sworn police officers.

The members of the Jonesboro Police Department's Reserve Officer Unit are selected in the same manner as are full time police officers, must be at least twenty-one years of age, and meet other state, city, and local qualifications.

The Reserve Police Officer Unit is primarily intended to function in a support capacity for the Patrol Division such as augmenting regular patrols, providing assistance with sobriety checkpoints, or working special events. They are utilized at any time it is necessary to assist the regular salaried members of the Jonesboro Police Department preserve the peace, enforce the law and maintain order in the community.

### Chaplaincy Program



*Chaplains Bryce Holmes, Mike Hart, Don Blackmore, and Chief Rick Elliott*

The goal of the Chaplaincy program is to provide support to local law enforcement officers, their mission (to protect and serve), and offer a special understanding of their unique work: supporting them and their families. Some of the specific ways that chaplains encourage and support officers is by riding along with officers on duty, visiting police department offices and special assignment sites, providing on-scene support during death notifications and appropriately recognizing individual achievements. The most important of the chaplain duties is the commitment to regular prayer for officers and their families. The Police Department has 7 local clergymen who volunteer their time to serve as Police Chaplains.

### Disaster Preparedness and Response

Disaster preparedness is designed to reduce the disruption of essential services when an emergency occurs. The goal is to develop and implement strategies that ensure the continued operation of facilities before, during and after the situation. Common events that could be listed as natural disasters in Jonesboro are ice accumulation rendering power loss, flash flooding, earthquakes, and other weather-related events. This unit also plans for unexpected manufactured disasters such as terrorism or bombings, etc.

## Administrative Services Division

The administrative office of the Jonesboro Police Department includes the Office of the Chief of Police, which also includes the Assistant Chief of Police, the Administrative Captain, Public Information Officer, Community Outreach and Recruiting Officer and the Chief's Administrative Assistant.



*Administrative Services Secretary Amy Elrod*

Administrative Services Captain BJ Smith also oversees the Support Services units of the department, as well as Professional Standards (Internal Affairs) and Accreditation. Support units include Animal Control, the Records Division, Fleet Maintenance, the Crime Analysis Unit, and Quality of Life (Code Enforcement). While some of these units are overseen by and include certified law enforcement officers, many are civilian employees.

Administrative services also provides daily support for the Chief of Police and the rest of the department with services such as planning and research, fiscal affairs, crime analysis, alarm tracking, records maintenance, and supply and fleet operations.

**Administrative Inventory Control**

The Administrative Purchasing and Inventory Control division manages many behind-the-scenes areas at the Jonesboro Police Department. Sergeant Karen Oldham is the Administrative Sergeant who oversees this division. This division oversees purchasing, fleet management, applicant background investigations, inventory control, and many other ad-hoc situational requests.

**Fleet Maintenance and Purchasing**

Fleet Maintenance is responsible for all of the police vehicle maintenance upkeep, cleanliness, and purchasing. In addition, this Division handles most of the purchasing of equipment, supplies, and uniforms for all of the Police Department.



<b>Repair Costs by Model Year</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Change</b>
2003	\$ 1,271.85	\$ 1,516.05	-16%
2004	\$ 731.01	\$ 774.15	-6%
2005	\$ 708.43	\$ 545.81	30%
2006	\$ 9,906.59	\$ 12,999.31	-24%
2007	\$ 5,784.18	\$ 20,520.11	-72%
2008	\$ 7,768.93	\$ 7,008.78	11%
2009	\$ 14,118.59	\$ 14,547.78	-3%
2010	\$ 1,863.31	\$ 2,263.89	-18%
2011	\$ 21,571.10	\$ 14,414.60	50%
2012	\$ -	\$ 240.99	-100%
2013	\$ 5,909.42	\$ 1,845.70	220%
2014	\$ 8,514.67	\$ 3,841.82	122%
2015	\$ 2,719.56	\$ 632.60	330%
2016	\$ 1,128.46		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$81,996.09</b>	<b>\$81,313.56</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Routine Preventative Maintenance by Model Year</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>% Change</b>
2003	\$ 1,411.73	\$ 561.59	151%
2004	\$ 425.25	\$ 732.51	-42%
2005	\$ 640.65	\$ 377.00	70%
2006	\$ 3,713.27	\$ 6,219.67	-40%
2007	\$ 3,187.62	\$ 4,808.13	-34%
2008	\$ 1,585.99	\$ 927.36	71%
2009	\$ 4,274.92	\$ 4,720.76	-9%
2010	\$ 1,152.60	\$ 2,584.75	-55%
2011	\$ 13,760.18	\$ 12,813.61	7%
2012	\$ 1,590.79	\$ 936.92	70%
2013	\$ 6,190.02	\$ 3,559.06	74%
2014	\$ 11,395.73	\$ 4,382.57	160%
2015	\$ 4,813.28	\$ 1,035.43	365%
2016	\$ 1,728.92		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$55,897.87</b>	<b>\$44,165.56</b>	<b>27%</b>



Crime Analysis Unit



The Crime Analysis Unit consists of one Crime Analyst and one part-time Crime Analyst Assistant. The Crime Analyst position is responsible for the analysis and dissemination of crime activity data and the collection and maintenance of crime intelligence information for the city of Jonesboro. Additionally, the Crime Analyst is charged with providing the Jonesboro Police Department with current and accurate crime maps presenting crime activity data to audiences of interest and with responding to requests for crime data from civilians and departmental staff. Data exported from this division is used by field agents for more effective, efficient policing; by administration for improved staffing decisions; and by the Mayor’s office for community decision making and enhanced public relations.

Professional Standards

The Office of Professional Standards, a unit within Administration, is charged with the compilation and updating of an extensive set of policies and procedures and providing a general operations guideline and code of conduct for officers to follow. In the event that a member of the public does experience a negative interaction with an officer, mechanisms are in place for them to lodge a complaint. All complaints are reviewed and investigations completed in a timely manner.

Professional Standards	2016	2015	% Change
Opened (TOTAL)	56	63	-11%
Closed	56	62	-10%
Inquiries	33	46	-28%
Formal Investigations	23	16	44%
Sustained	27	44	-39%
Not-Sustained	12	8	50%
Exhonerated	2	5	-60%
Unfounded	14	9	56%

Records

The Records Division is responsible for providing administrative and clerical support to the department. Major responsibilities include entering the accident and incident reports and tickets into the records database management system, assisting the general public for report requests, performing criminal backgrounds, serving as a switchboard at times, performing validations, and setting up and managing the payment plans out of court.

RECORDS	2016	2015	% Change
Incident/Arrest Reports Processed	14785	14164	4%
Accident Reports Processed	3193	2940	9%
Citations Processed	40837	35194	16%
Warnings Processed	6395	10769	-41%
Backgrounds	111	135	-18%
Photos	25	5	400%
Accident Requests	1246	1047	19%
Accident Requests Online	1979	2280	-13%

Animal Control

The Animal Control Division is responsible for educating the public on safe and humane issues regarding animal treatment, enforcing all animal laws and ordinances, assisting the public in resolving animal issues, and protecting the safety and welfare of the citizens and animals in this community. The Jonesboro Police Departments Animal Control Division houses and provides humane care for lost and abandoned animals in the community. It strives to reunite pets with their owners, but if this is not feasible or desirable, it prepares and promotes these animals for adoption.



Animal Control Officer Eric Schmett

Incidents	2016	2015	% Change
Barking Complaints	78	95	-18%
Bite Reports	58	68	-15%
Door Hangers	553	643	-14%
Welfare Checks	737	885	-17%
Advised of Rights	9234	11491	-20%
Incident Reports	43	66	-35%
Gone on Arrival	640	708	-10%
Complaints	3914	7594	-48%
Desk Complaints	18841	19021	-1%
Captured Dogs	857	1577	-46%
Captured Cats	168	223	-25%
Captured Wildlife	536	438	22%
Chemical Captures	1	17	-94%
Traps	527	593	-11%
Deceased Animals	849	1165	-27%
Assist J.P.D.	49	79	-38%
Assist C.S.O.	3	59	-95%
Public Relations	4541	4747	-4%
CITATIONS ISSUED	638	818	-22%
WARNINGS ISSUED	1024	1474	-31%
Physical Arrests	98	133	-26%
City Warrants Served	0	121	-100%
County Warrants Served	0	0	0%
Euthanized	431	784	-45%
Deceased Animals Landfill lbs.	18080	28400	-36%
Wildlife Euthanized	542	438	24%
Sent to Rescue Centers	59	84	-30%
Adoptions	497	468	6%
Miles Driven	108510	103010	5%

K-9



*"Gabo" is ready to work with his partner, Officer Erik Johnson.*



*Officer Morgan with "Argus", Officer Smith with "Rico", Officer Lochner with "Cygan", Officer Bailey with "Shine", Officer Johnson with "Gabo", Officer Loggains with "Cash", and Officer Sanderlin with "Flak".*

The Jonesboro Police Department K-9 Unit consists of six teams and is supervised by Sgt. Larry Rogers. Each team consists of a handler and K-9. Five of the teams are trained in narcotics detection and patrol work, to include aggression and tracking and are responsible for assisting patrol units when requested. We also have one team trained in explosives detection and patrol work. Each team must participate in at least sixteen hours of formal training per month and are certified on a yearly basis. K-9 teams are also available for demonstrations at local schools.

Quality of Life (Code Enforcement)

The Quality of Life Unit was created in October 2012. The purpose of the QOL Unit is to reduce crime in specific areas of Jonesboro by exploring and utilizing all the available resources of the City of Jonesboro in coordination with efforts by citizens and private groups in Jonesboro. There are two basic principles that guide the QOL Unit's actions. The first is that physical disorder is both a byproduct as well as an attractant to criminal activity, and that if the physical order of a neighborhood is improved, there should be a measurable reduction in criminal activity in that area. Second, the consequences of criminal activity can go beyond incarceration, and include loss of public benefits, eviction, loss of personal property, litigation, etc. The pending application of these alternative consequences can be as much or more of a deterrent to criminal activity than the threat of incarceration. Lieutenant Scott Baxter is overseeing all operations of the unit.



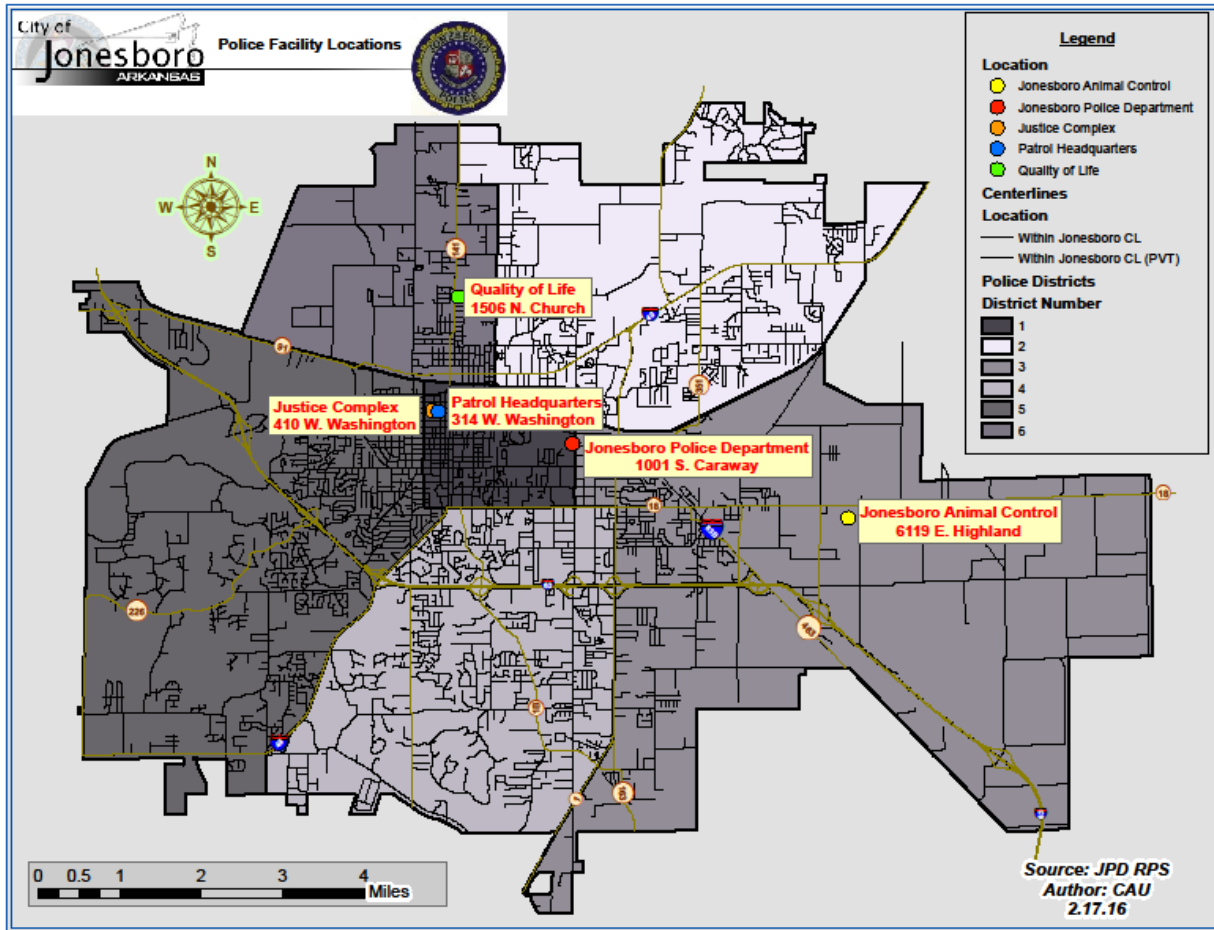
*QOL Officer Shannon Laarone*

Accreditation Program

The Jonesboro Police Department entered into a contract with the State of Arkansas to participate in the Arkansas Law Enforcement Accreditation Program. The Accreditation Program requires the JPD to provide proofs from each of our divisions to the state that we are not only following but exceeding the law enforcement rules and regulations. Periodically, the State of Arkansas assigns an Assessor to come to the Jonesboro Police Department to view our proofs and our facility to ensure the JPD is in compliance.

## Police Facilities

The Police Department operates out of multiple facilities in order to serve the community. The Jonesboro Police Department, located at 1001 S. Caraway Rd. is where Police Administration is located, as well as the Records division, Crime Analytics, Fleet Maintenance, CID, ICAC, and Evidence. The Justice Complex, located at 410 W. Washington, houses the E911 department and many special services operations such as training and warrants. True to their names, the Patrol Headquarters, located at 314 W. Washington, and Quality of Life building, located at 1506 N. Church, house our Patrol Division and Quality of Life divisions, respectively. Animal Control is located at 6119 E. Highland.



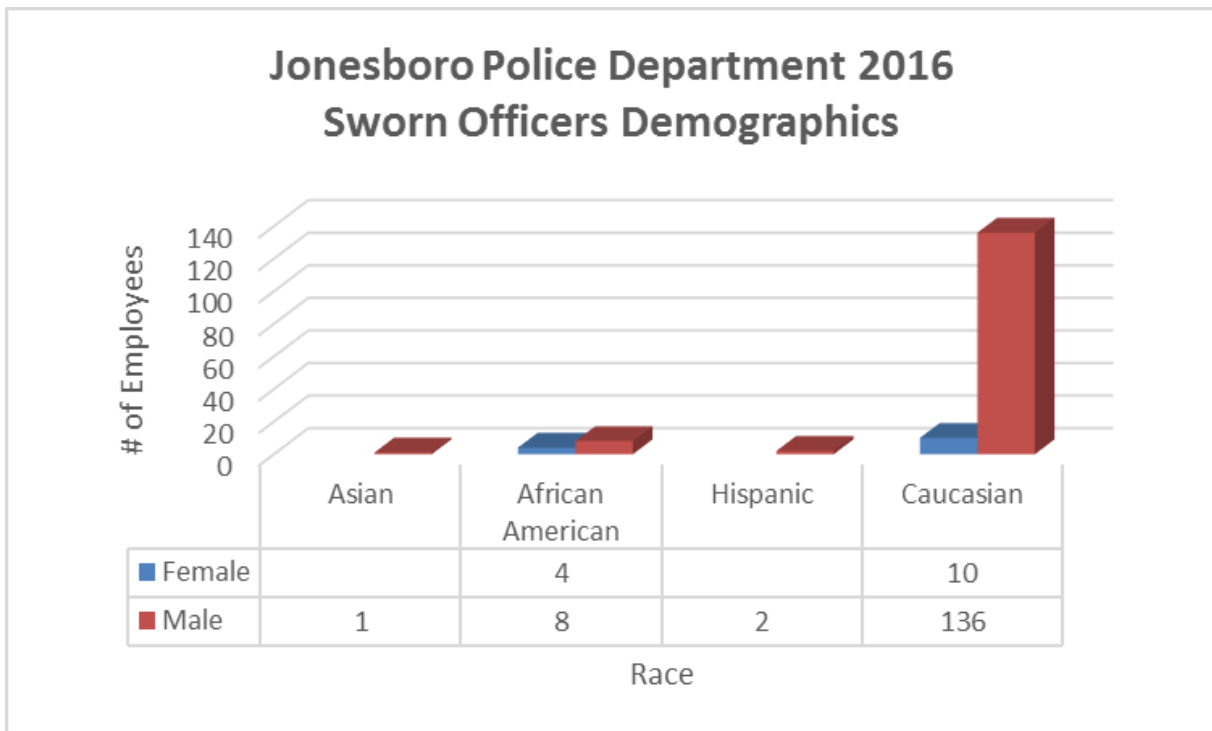
## Staffing Summary

### Quick Facts:

- Total 2017 budget: \$11,748,557.00
- Total Reported Employee Injuries: 45
- Officer-Involved car accidents: 19
- Hired Sworn Officers 25
- Terminated Sworn Officers:4
- Resigned Sworn Officers: 13
- Retired Sworn Officers: 2

Sworn Officers	
Position	Number
Chief	1
Assistant Chief	1
Captain	4
Lieutenant	7
Sergeant	22
Corporal	43
Officer	78

Sworn Officers	
Division	Number
Administration	4
Fleet Maintenance/Inventory Control	2
Animal Control	1
Quality of Life	1
Criminal Investigations	19
Warrants	6
Training	1
Traffic	7
Street Crimes	7
School Resource Officer	11
Drug Task Force	8
DARE Officer	2
Patrol	80
New Hire	10



## 2016 Awards

### Officer of the Year

Corporal Shay Racy

2016

### Officer of the Month

Patrolman Austin Morgan	January
Patrolman Trey Chism	February
Detective Shay Racy	March
Detective Jason Simpkins	April
Corporal Keith Baggett	May
Corporal John Hughes	June
Sergeant Cassandra Brandon	July
Patrolman Zachary McQuay	August
Corporal Owen Smith	September
Patrolman Chris Pigg	October
Detective Michael McCanless	November
Warrants Officer Jamie Seaborn	December

### Lifesaving Medal

Sergeant Trey Dupuy	Flood – rescued juvenile from water drain
Corporal Jason Chester	Flood – rescued juvenile from water drain

### Honorable Service Award

Sergeant Lyle Waterworth	Successful Creation of the Police Academy
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### Perfect Pistol Score

Sergeant Lyle Waterworth

### Top Gun

Sergeant John Porbeck	498/500
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### Certificate of Commendation

Crime Analyst Katie Haydar	Aid in Apprehension of “Dollar Tree Kidnappers”
Ashley Rogers	Aid in Successful Creation of the Police Academy

Years of Service Awards

25 Years

**Corporal Wayne McClard**

20 Years

**Sergeant Kenny Howard**

15 Years

**Corporal Adam Hampton**

**Corporal John Hughes**

**Corporal Owen Smith**

**Corporal Jon Wood**

**Corporal Mark Yates**

10 Years

**Corporal James Flanigan**

**Sergeant Lane Holmes**

**Corporal Jeremy Smith**

5 Years

**Patrolman First Class Bryan Bailey**

**Patrolman First Class Scott Byrd**

**Detective Jacob Daffron**

## The City

By Lorenzo Balderas, Digital Media Specialist at the City of Jonesboro

**JONESBORO** – Over the past quarter century, Jonesboro has become the hub of Northeast Arkansas.

As the fourth-largest in the state, Jonesboro is by far the most populous city in the region with 74,000 residents, and its growth rate has been consistently near the top of all cities in the state for many years. Jonesboro, with a landmass of 80.8 square miles, ranks second in physical size among Arkansas cities — behind only Little Rock — and is larger than St. Louis, Mo. (70 square miles), and Cincinnati, Ohio (79.5).

The Jonesboro Metropolitan Statistical Area has a population of about 134,000. The “Jonesboro City Guide” for 2015, a publication of the Jonesboro Regional Chamber of Commerce, says that more than 1 million people reside within a 65-mile radius of Jonesboro and that its labor shed, covering 11 counties, is about 400,000.

The U.S. Conference of Mayors in January 2016 reported that the Jonesboro MSA had a 4.3-percent spike in job growth in 2015, the highest rate of any MSA in the state and 64<sup>th</sup>-best in the United States. The report estimated job growth of 2.3 percent this year, second-best in Arkansas.

Jonesboro consistently has one of the lowest unemployment rates in the state, according to the U.S. Department of Labor. The city began 2016 with a 4.2-percent unemployment rate but had a rate that hovered at or near 3 percent for the second half of 2016 and finished with 3.2 percent in December.

Jonesboro had 62,577 people in its workforce as of December, according to the U.S. Department of Labor. That’s 1,000 more workers than at the beginning of the year and about 5,000 more than were employed in January 2008, indicating that the Jonesboro economy weathered the recession quite well.

One reason for that is that the two largest employers in the Jonesboro MSA are in the businesses of health care and education, which are less susceptible to bad economic times than other industries. The Jonesboro Regional Chamber of Commerce reports that St. Bernard’s Healthcare had 2,833 employees in 2016, and Arkansas State University had 2,435.

Additionally, the Northeast Arkansas Baptist Health System opened a \$400 million hospital and medical campus in early 2014, bringing its staff count to about 2,000.

Other top employers include several food services giants — Nestle, Frito-Lay, Riceland Foods, Butterball and Post Foods — which also tend not to be as affected by a recession as other industries.

ASU has taken necessary steps to add even more strength to the area economy by establishing a College of Osteopathic Medicine on the Jonesboro campus. Under a partnership with the New York Institute of Technology, ASU opened the program in August 2016 with 128 students.

Construction in Jonesboro continues at a steady pace. Mayor Harold Perrin in his 2017 State of the City address said the total value of new construction in the city last year was \$139 million. The city also added \$160,000 in other permits.

The city Planning Department processed 50 new commercial business projects, 457 new single family homes, 39 new duplex buildings, and 40 new multi-family buildings.

Last year the City of Jonesboro began construction on a new section of the Greenway Trail inside of Craighead Forest Park. The new 3.2-mile trail is intended for runners, walkers, and novice bikers and features outdoor workout equipment. Phases I & II have already been completed and Phase III should be completed by the end of 2017. When completed, it will connect to the existing portion of the Greenway Trail.



## Community Outreach

*“Community policing is a philosophy that promotes and supports organizational strategies to address the cause of crime, to reduce the fear of crime and social disorder through problem-solving tactics and community-police partnerships.”*

*-Community Oriented Policing Services Office*



*K9 Officer Dustin Smith*

The Jonesboro Police Department believes in building a strong relationship with the community we serve. Our officers are involved in many community outreach events through the department as well as with professional organizations such as the Fraternal Order of Police or the Police Benevolent Association. Some of those events include Shop with a Cop, Special Olympics, Law Enforcement Torch Run, National Night Out and Citizen Police Academy. Our officers have also worked with Make-a-Wish, United Way, John 3:16, local churches and schools, neighborhood groups and many other organizations.



*Dare Officer Kevin Foust and Pt. Kiandra McCain*

“March. Knowledge. Stand”

In July, JPD officers and members of the community came together at the "March. Knowledge. Stand." event. The event was a two-mile march to the Jonesboro Police Department where officers were waiting to answer questions and demonstrate what to do during a traffic stop. Approximately 50 residents and several officers participated in the positive, relationship-building event.



Community Outreach Coordinator Sgt. Cassie Brandon

Coffee With A Cop

New to the Jonesboro Police Department community outreach effort in 2016 was Coffee With A Cop. This event brings officers and community members together over a cup of coffee for relaxed, informal discussions about issues of mutual interest over a cup of coffee. Chick-fil-A of Jonesboro hosted this year's event.



Chief Rick Elliot

Special Olympics Arkansas



*Torch Run*



*Ptl. Chris Jefferson and Chief Rick Elliot*

Many officers choose to volunteer in their off-duty time with Special Olympics Arkansas. For example, many officers choose to volunteer in their off-duty time with Special Olympics Arkansas, which provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for all children and adults with intellectual disabilities. This affords the Special Olympics athletes opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills, and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes, and the community.

The yearly Law Enforcement Torch Run benefits Special Olympics by raising money and awareness. JPD officers are eager every year to run for a good cause. What began as a 30-mile run is now a four-day relay that covers more than 1200 miles and 700 runners. The Torch Run in Arkansas originates in over 12 locations and culminates at the site of the state Summer Games. Jonesboro officers also participate in other events to benefit Special Olympics Arkansas, including Polar Plunge and Tip A Cop.



*Polar Plunge*

### Block Party

Officers from several law enforcement agencies, first responders and community volunteers joined JPD officers in late October for a Halloween block party in the Melrose/Cedar Heights neighborhood.

The brainchild of Ptl. Blake Easley, the event brought community members and public safety personnel together for food, fun and entertainment. KLEK radio provided music for the party.



*Ptl. Dalton Shannon*

### National Night Out

National Night Out is another example of the police-community partnerships that the Jonesboro Police Department and the citizens of Jonesboro work so hard to establish and maintain.

This annual community-building campaign promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood safety through the sharing of a meal, games, and other activities.

In 2016, officers participated in large National Night Out events at CWL Park (737 West Cherry), at Miles Park (1605 North Bridge) and in front of Life Strategies Counseling (1200 block of Stone Street).



### KLEK Radio Program

KLEK is a FM radio station that is licensed to broadcast in Jonesboro, Arkansas. JPD reaches out to the community through regular appearances by Chief Rick Elliott and other officers on the program "Community Conversations" which is aired on KLEK-FM radio.

Listeners and viewers who watch the live streaming of the program may interact by asking questions of Chief Elliott and others on any topic of concern.



*Chief Rick Elliot, Dare Officer Kevin Foust, Quibilah Harden, KLEK Host, Dare Officer Shay Racy, Detective Chris Poe*

Shop with a Cop



*Ptl. Zach Kaja*

Sponsored by the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge Number 8 and the Jonesboro Rotary Club, the event not only helps children who would likely be unable to afford Christmas gifts, but also serves to build rapport between police officers and children they serve and protect.

Kids and officers meet at the FOP lodge and then travel together to Chick-Fil-A for breakfast and then go to the shops at the Mall at Turtle Creek.



*K9 Officer Austin Morgan*



*Pfc. Nathan Coleman*

### Citizen Police Academy

The Citizen Police Academy takes an interactive approach with opportunities for hands-on activities to reinforce the curriculum taught by police officers and specialized law enforcement personnel.



*CPA Spring 2016 Class*

Classes covered a wide range of topics including patrol operations, police canine operations, criminal investigations, crime prevention techniques, traffic stops, becoming a better witness, police use of force and SWAT. Students also may choose from electives such as a firing range day, a Simunition course, an interactive Dispatch session and a ride-along with a patrol officer.

The mission is to educate the community about the Jonesboro Police Department in order to dispel misconceptions about police officers and police functions, encourage a partnership with the community to enable community-led problem solving and create an environment for positive police and community interaction. The academy does not create police officers, but rather seeks to educate citizens about the policies, procedures and the laws that govern officers' actions. In turn, the police department benefits by gaining a better understanding of the views and concerns of the community.



*CPA Fall 2016 Class*

Police Chief Rick Elliott set the establishment of a Citizen Police Academy as a goal when he became Police Chief in 2014. He assigned Sgt. Cassie Brandon to plan and develop the curriculum, arrange for the instructors and lead the sessions. Brandon, who was serving as a Sergeant in the department's Criminal Investigation Division, has since been assigned to lead the community outreach and recruiting effort. The Police Department held its first Citizen Police Academy in Spring of 2015. JPD hosted a third and fourth CPA class in 2016 and expects to have a Fall and Spring class in 2017 as well. The Alumni have formed an association called the Citizen Police Ambassadors in order to maintain contact with the Police Department. The Police Department will continue this program two times per year.

### Day of Caring



2016 marked the 61<sup>st</sup> year for United Way and the second year that the Jonesboro PD was pleased to participate in the annual United Way Day of Caring. This event matches community volunteer groups with various community non-profit organizations in need of special service projects. The projects the department participated in 2016 ranged from assisting daycare providers through playing in the park and creating enrollment folders for the local Arkansas Learning Center.

### Safety Team

For the past several years, Valley View Elementary has designated a group of students each year to serve as safety team members whose purpose is to help keep students safe. These students are selected by their teachers to serve as an extra set of eyes and hands in times of crisis. In September, Sergeant Doug Formon, Officer Josh Wiest, Animal Control Officer David Cooley, and K-9 Officer Tony Zaffarano along with many other emergency services personnel, met with the group and spent the day talking about what the students would do in their role as a safety team member in the case of an emergency. The group is under the guidance of Cheryl Speights and Leah Cooper.



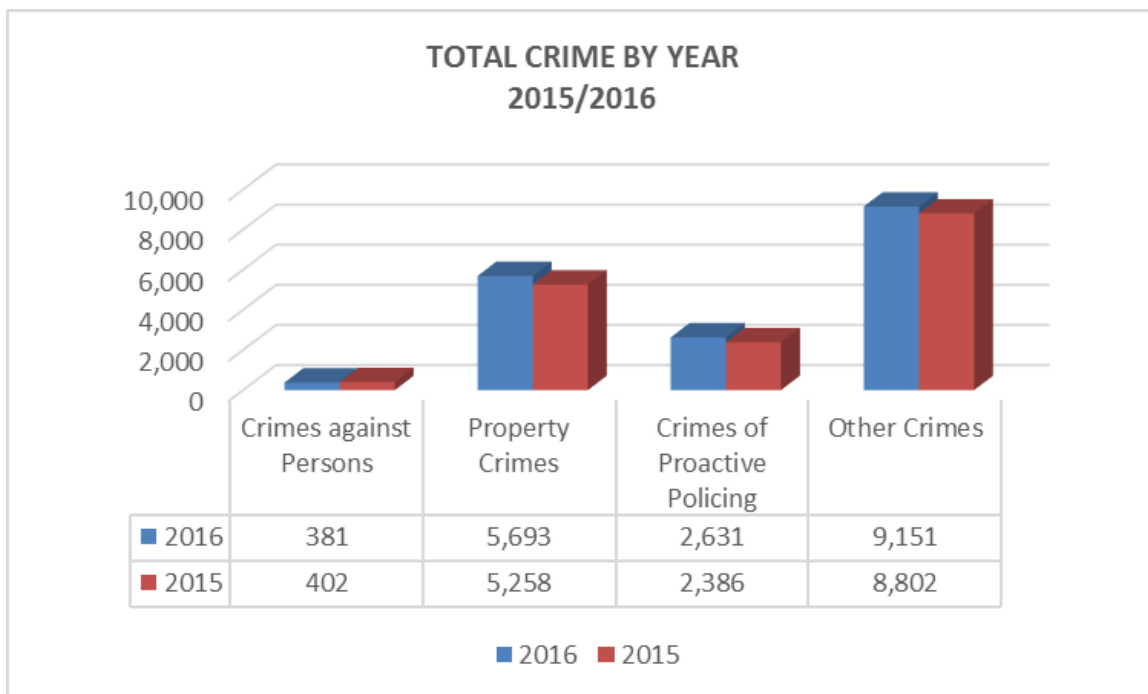
Statistics

FBI Crime Ranking Comparisons 2015

2015 FBI NIBRS Statistics					
City	Population	Crimes Per 1000 Population	Total Crime	Violent Crimes Against Persons	Crimes Against Property
Blytheville	14717	13.23	2337	685	1652
Pine Bluff	44466	13.29	7092	2278	4814
Rogers	62819	5.15	3879	971	2908
Conway	65764	8.25	6509	1662	4847
North Little Rock	67943	6.97	5679	1528	4151
Jonesboro	73404	6.95	6122	1440	4682
Fayetteville	82377	7.35	7268	1536	5732
Fort Smith	87603	9.47	9955	2576	7379
Little Rock	198647	11.92	28413	10397	18016
Memphis	654922	11.71	92046	35316	56730

Crime Summary

The crime activity for the 2016 was at a total of 17,856 NIBRS reportable offenses, a 6% increase compared to the total number of offenses reported in 2015. With Jonesboro population estimated to be equal to 72,958, the crime rate in 2016 was at 20 crimes per 1,000 population, compared to 19 crimes per 1,000 population in 2015. As indicated on the pie chart below, Other Crimes absorb the majority, 51%, of 2016 crime activity ( $n = 9,151$ ), Property Crimes comprise of 32% of crimes ( $n = 5,693$ ), Crimes of Proactive Policing is comprised of 15% ( $n = 2,631$ ) of all reported crimes, and Crimes Against Persons is comprised of 2% ( $n = 381$ ) of all reported crimes in 2015.





Emergency 911

Also known as the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP), the Emergency 911 Division is responsible for answering all calls from public for emergency assistance, accessing the needed information to best assist callers, and then assigning the most efficient and effective emergency response. In addition, this department is responsible for setting priority call dispatching to field units including Police, Fire, and EMS. Emergency 911 also maintains all records for radio logs, calls for service, and other emergency service data collections. Below please find the 2015/2016 E911 statistics, the Top 5 calls for service over the last 10 years, and the number of calls for service over the last 10 years.

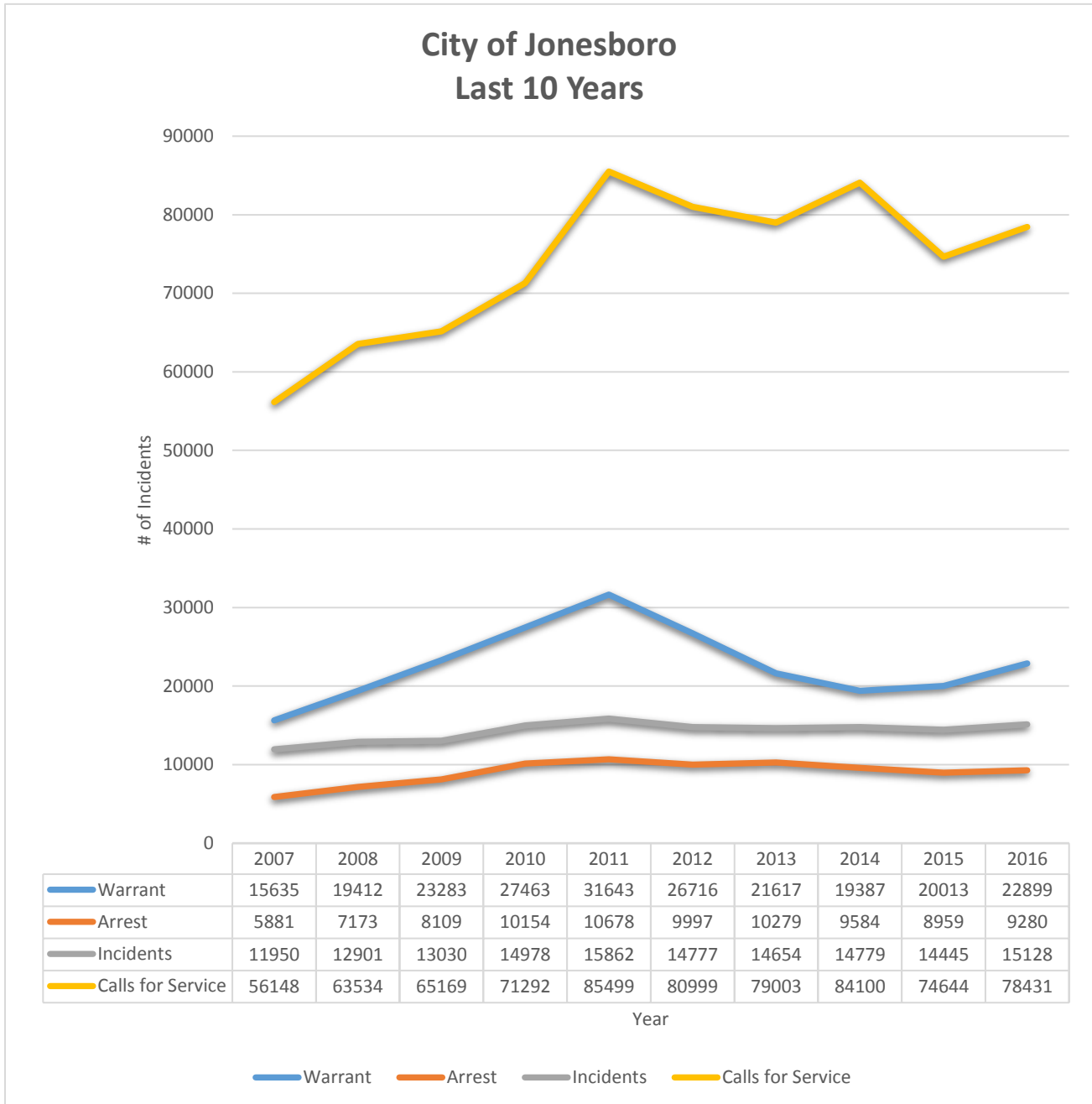
Calls by Type	2016	2015	% Change
Land Line	7,996	9,880	-19%
Cell Phone	68,320	69,508	-2%
Admin Lines	178,076	180,282	-1%
<b>TOTALS</b>	254,392	259,670	-2%
Calls by Agency	2016	2015	% Change
Jonesboro PD Calls	78,405	75,532	4%
Craighead Cty Sheriff	13,390	13,385	0%
Jonesboro Fire Dpt - dispatch	2,716	2,766	-2%
Jonesboro Fire Dpt - Med Asst	2,035	2,045	0%
Craighead Cty - Fire	654	568	15%
Craighead Cty - 1st Responder	1,324	1,317	1%
Ambulance	9,293	8,696	7%
Air Evac	3	12	-75%
Coroner	42	30	40%
ARK State Police	112	97	15%
Jonesboro Animal Control	4	17	-76%
Wreckers Called	3,137	2,756	14%
<b>TOTALS</b>	111,115	107,221	4%
Calls by Municipality	2016	2015	% Change
Bay PD	852	1,047	-19%
Bono PD	2,963	2,728	9%
Brookland PD	3,124	3,085	1%
Caraway PD	863	760	14%
Cash PD	2,305	1,795	28%
Egypt PD	90	121	-26%
Lake City PD	1,896	1,609	18%
Monette PD	1,369	1,178	16%
<b>TOTALS</b>	13,462	12,323	9%

Top 5 Calls for Service	
Call Type	# of Calls
Alarm	4636
Accident (no injury)	2678
Check Area	1848
Welfare Check	1827
Extra Patrol	1497

Calls for Service Count last 10 years	
Year	# of Calls for Service
2007	56148
2008	63534
2009	65169
2010	71292
2011	85499
2012	80999
2013	79003
2014	84100
2015	74644
2016	78431

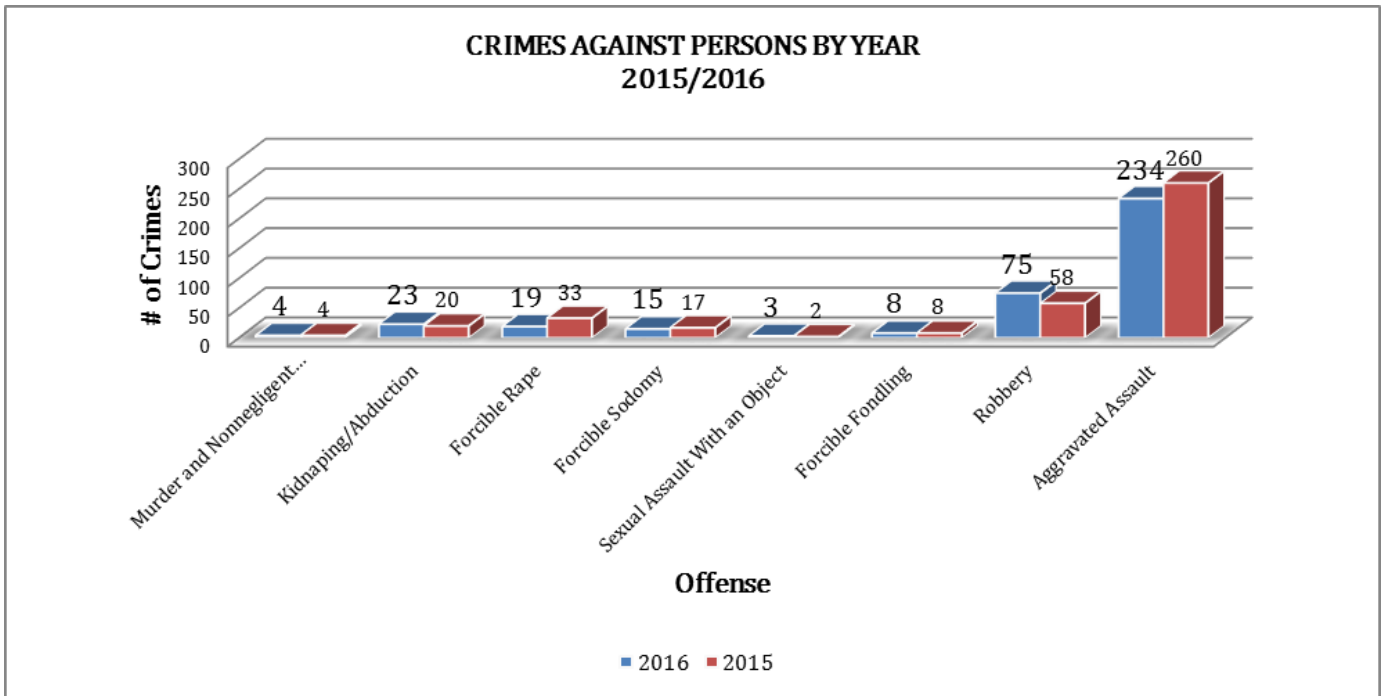
Calls for Service vs Incidents vs Warrants vs Arrests Last 10 Years

Calls for Service are trending up over the last 10 years. Warrants saw a spike around 2009-2011, but have leveled out. Overall, warrants is slightly trending up, while Incidents and Arrests remain steady.



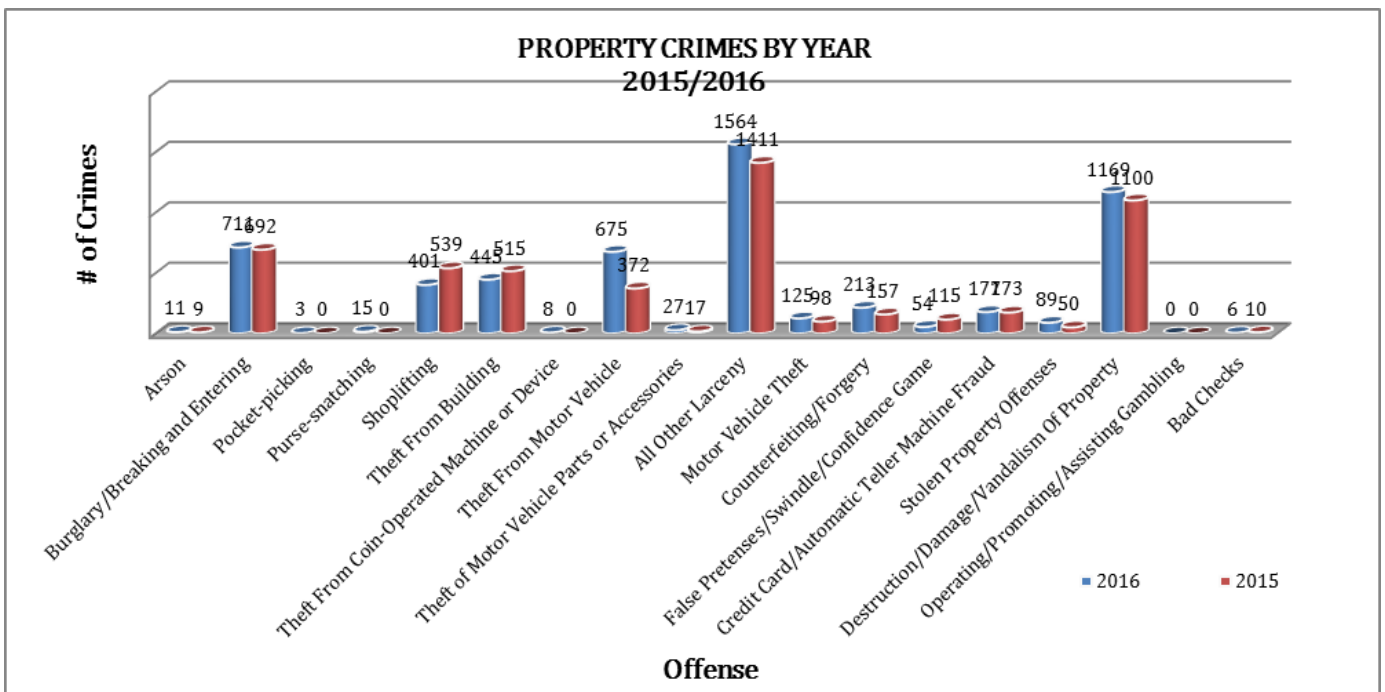
### Major Crimes Against Persons

There are 9 NIBRS offenses that make up this section. There were a total of 402 offenses in this area in 2016.



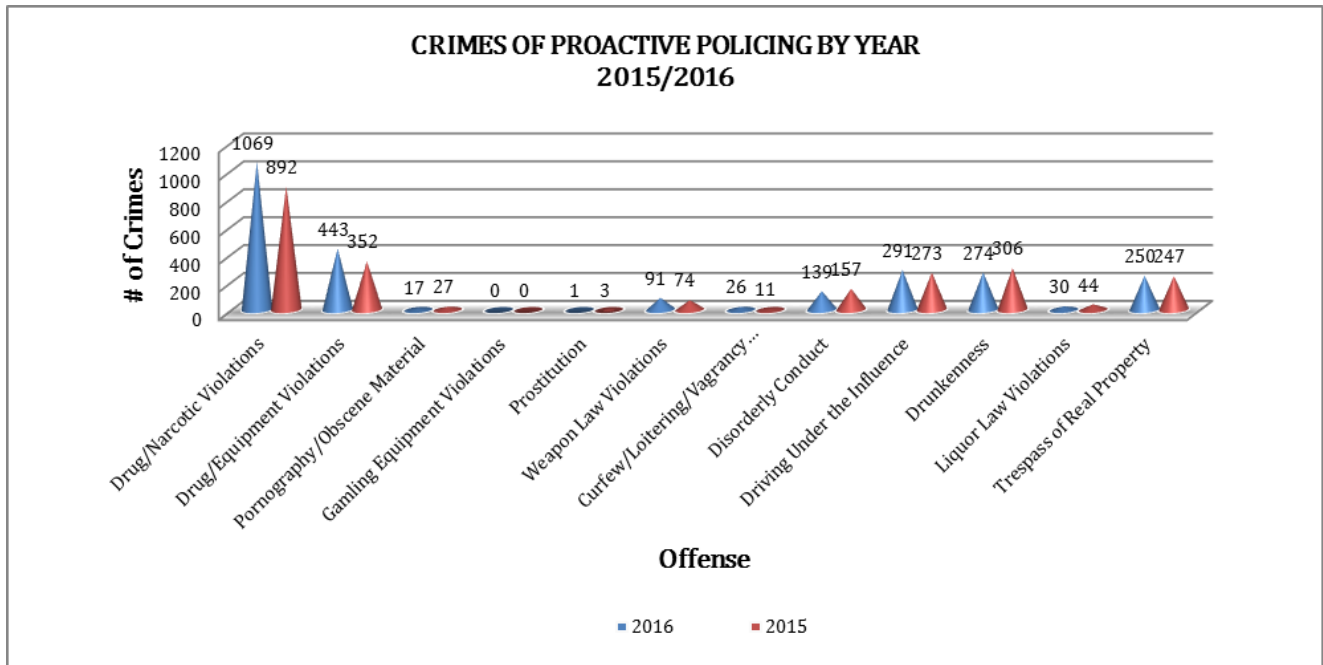
### Crimes Against Property

This section displays the criminal activity for property crimes. In 2016, there were a total of 5,693 Property Crimes, an 8% increase compared to 2015.



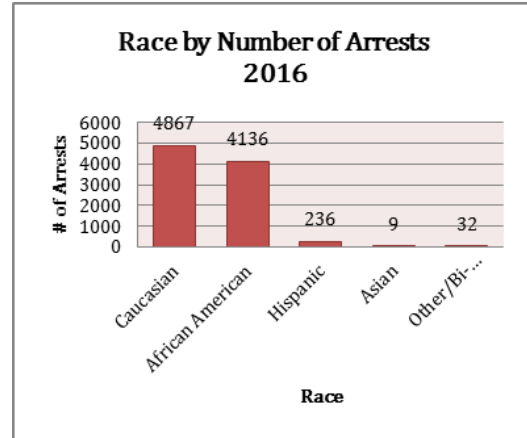
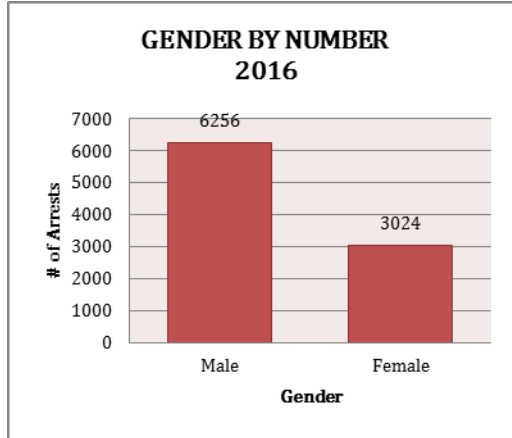
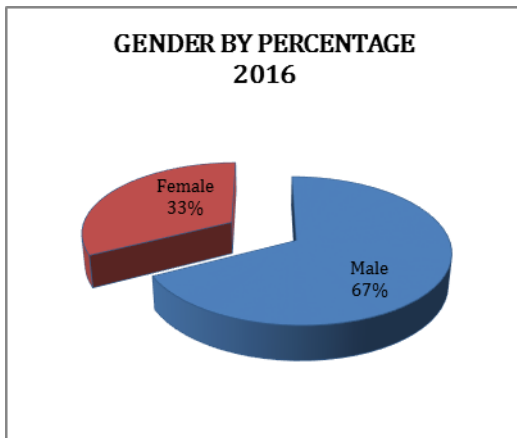
Crimes of Proactive Policing

Crimes of Proactive Policing are crimes that result from police officers actively policing the streets to combat certain types of street crime in order to improve the overall quality of life in our city. As chart below indicates, twelve crimes fall under this category. There are no other major changes noted for the offenses in this category.

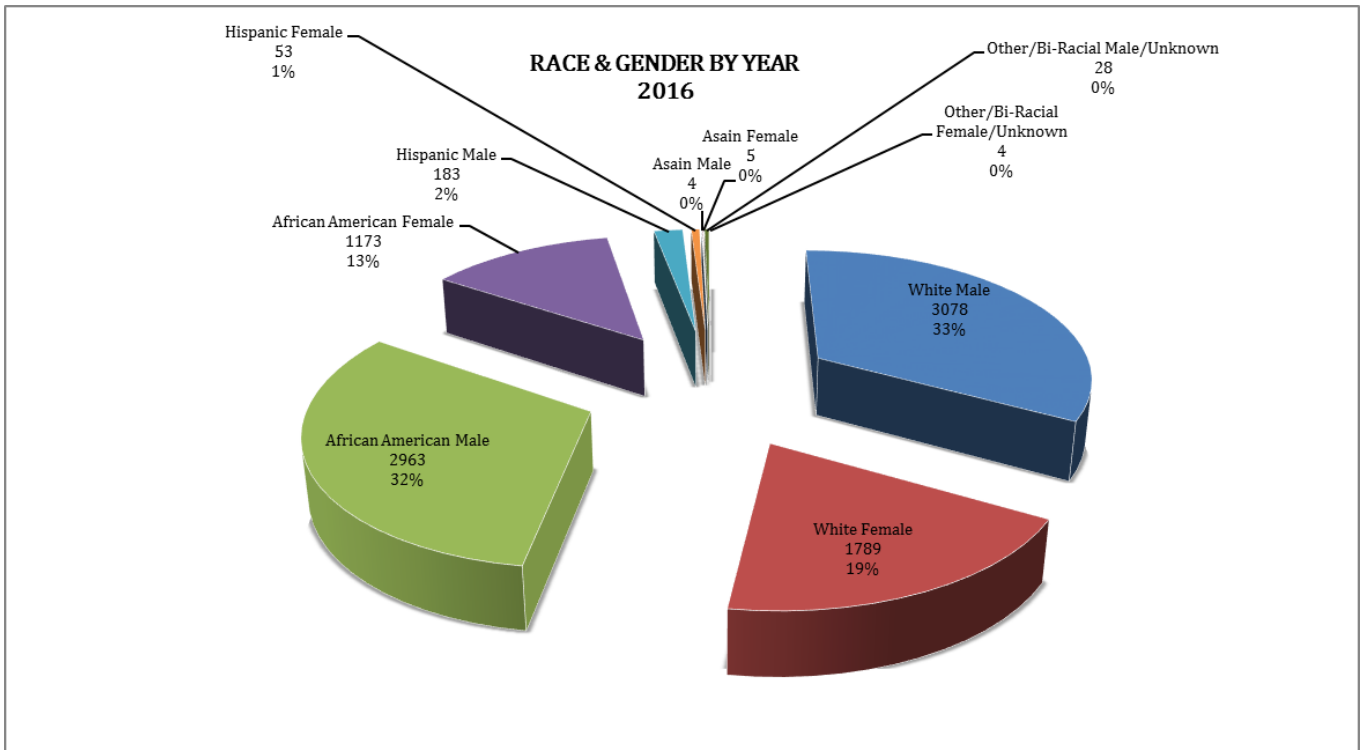


Demographic Crime Data: Gender and Race 2015

In 2016, there were a total of 9280 arrests carried out by the Jonesboro Police Department. This section breaks down 2016 arrests by race and gender. The majority of arrestees, 67%, have been male ( $n= 6,256$ ), as opposed to 33% of female arrestees ( $n= 3,024$ ).



As for the racial/ethnic composition, the majority of arrestees have been Caucasian (52%) and African American (45%), compared to Hispanic (3%), Asian (0%), or other/unknown/bi-racial (0%). Caucasian males make up the majority, at 33% arrestees in 2016, followed by African American males at 32% arrestees. Caucasian females make up 19%, while African American females make up 13% of all the arrestees in 2016. Hispanic males make up 2%, Other/Unknown race males represent less than 1% of arrestees, and females of Other/Unknown race make up for less than 1%, There were 9 Asians arrested in 2016.



## Traffic Summary 2016

This report is a summation of the statistics on traffic accidents, traffic stops, and DWI (driving while intoxicated) arrests that occurred in 2016. DWI also covers DUI (driving under the influence) arrests. The purpose of this report is to display data surrounding traffic accidents and traffic stops, and DWI arrests in such a way that it aids in the defense and protection of the community. The data is displayed in a form of descriptive statistics in both narrative and graphic form. The traffic crashes, traffic stops, and DWI arrests are mapped by location for additional visual aid.

In 2016, there were a total of 3,197 traffic accidents in the city of Jonesboro, a 5% increase compared to last year. Of these, there were 11 fatalities, 41 accidents involving people who had incapacitating injury, people with non-incapacitating injuries totaled 256. In addition, 507 people had no visible injuries but complaints of pain, and 2,303 persons involved in traffic accidents that had property damage only. The largest percentage of accidents this year occurred in August and November (11% each, 22% total) during 1st shift (47%) on Fridays (20%).

There were a total of 24,736 traffic stops conducted by the Jonesboro Police Department in 2016, a 3% increase compared to last year. The largest percentage of traffic stops occurred in October (11%) during 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift (40%) on Saturday (15%).

There were a total of 289 DWI arrests made, a 16% decrease as compared to 2015. Of these 289 DWI arrests, 24% were drug related. Most of the arrests occurred during 3rd shift (69%) on Friday (26%). A total of 50 DWI arrestees (17%) were involved in some type of accident, including one-vehicle accidents and two-vehicle traffic accidents. The remaining 239 arrestees (83%) were pulled over for traffic violations and were then discovered to be intoxicated over the legal limit for driving prior to any accident occurring.

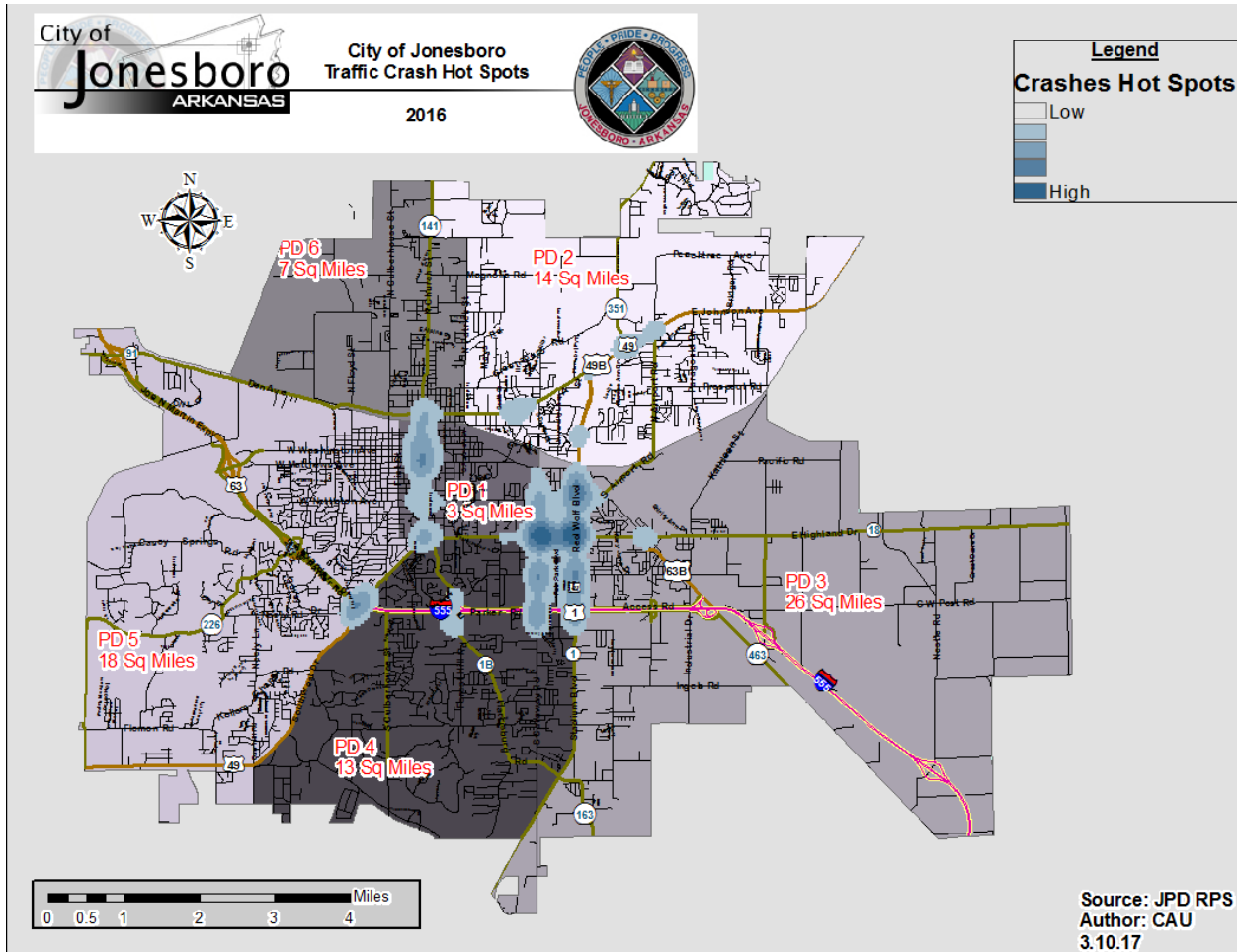
## Traffic Crashes

In 2016, there were a total of 3,197 traffic accidents in the city of Jonesboro, a 5% increase compared to last year. Of these, there were 11 fatalities, a 57% increase from 2015. There were 41 accidents involving people who had incapacitating injury, people with non-incapacitating injuries totaled 256. In addition, 507 people had no visible injuries but complaints of pain, and 2,303 persons involved in traffic accidents that had property damage only. Total damage in dollar amount was \$ 16,555,835, a 13% increase from last year. The range of the damage was \$75,000 with an average of \$5,178.55 ( $\sigma=5,056.72$ ).

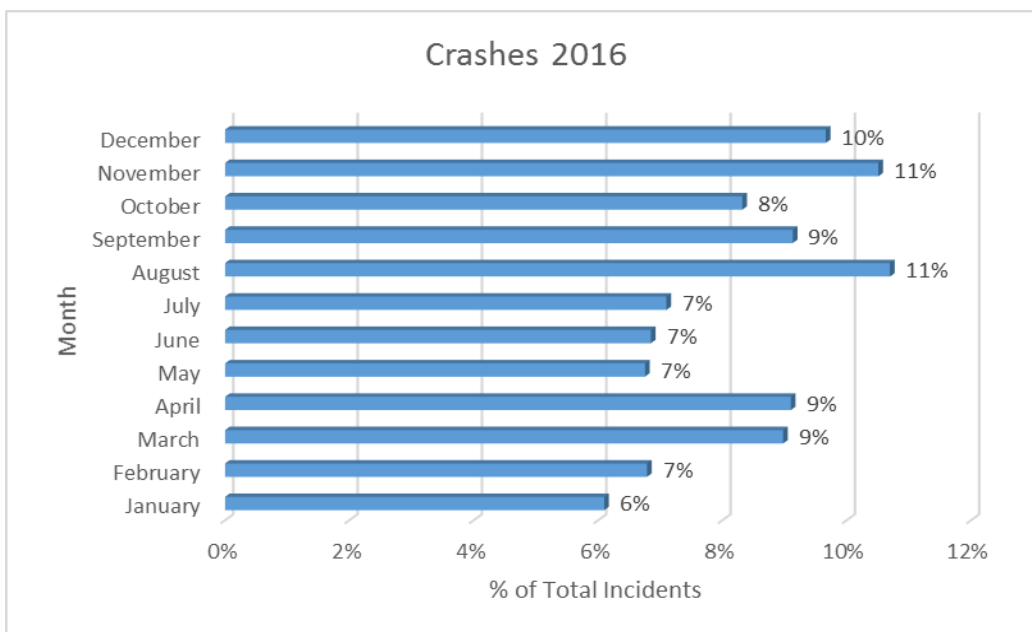
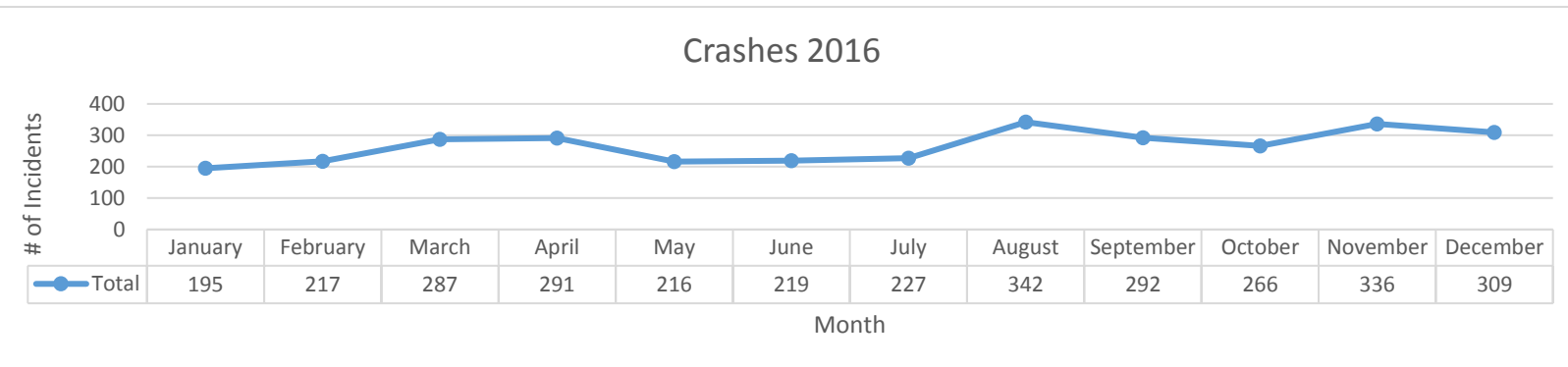
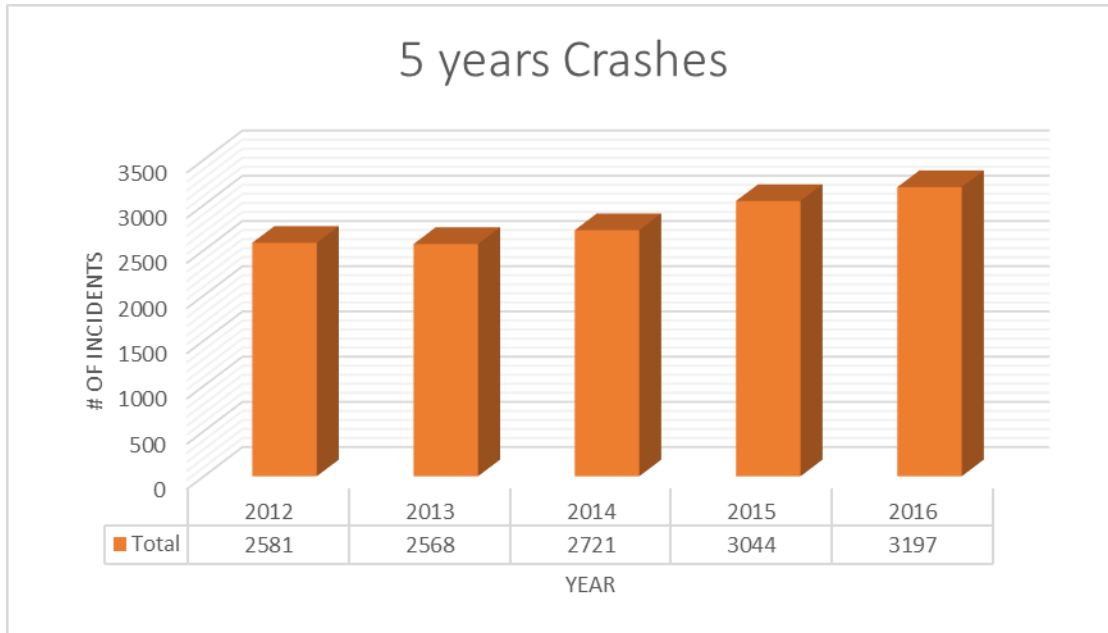
The following charts display the traffic accident data by Shift, Day of Week, Shift and Day of Week, Severity Code, 5 Year Comparison, and Monthly Totals as well as Monthly Percentages. The largest percentage of accidents this year occurred in August and November (11% each, total 22%) during 1<sup>st</sup> shift (47%) on Fridays (20%).

In order to mitigate crashes in Jonesboro, JPD has joined over 800 agencies nationwide in the implementation of Data Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety (see "What's New" page for more information).

Traffic Crash Hot Spots 2016

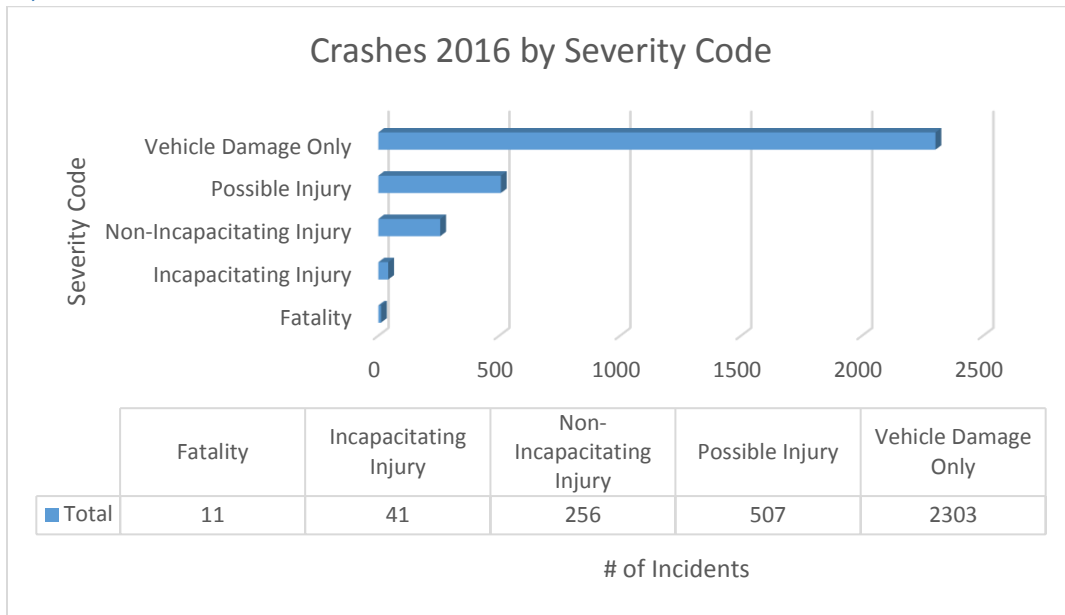


Annual Comparisons: Traffic Crashes

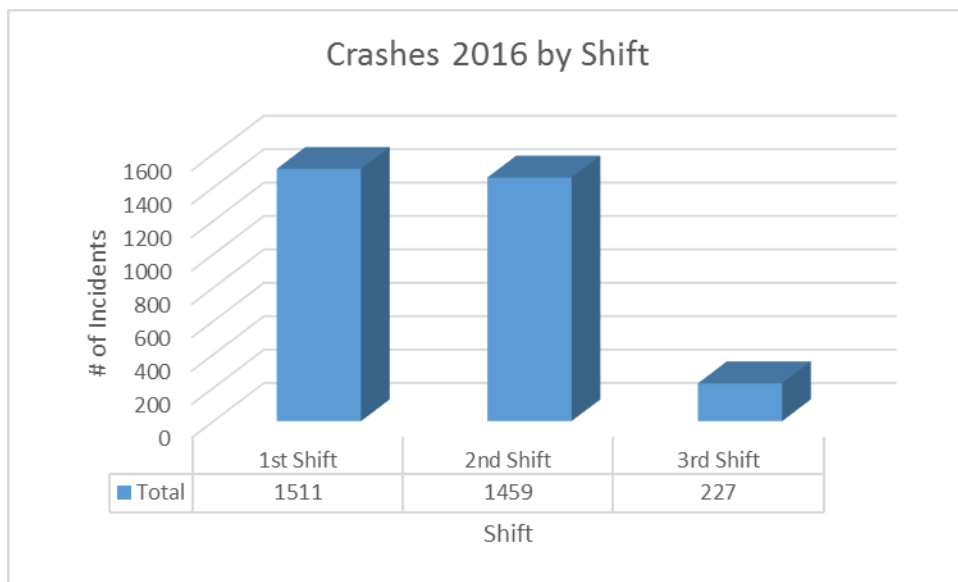




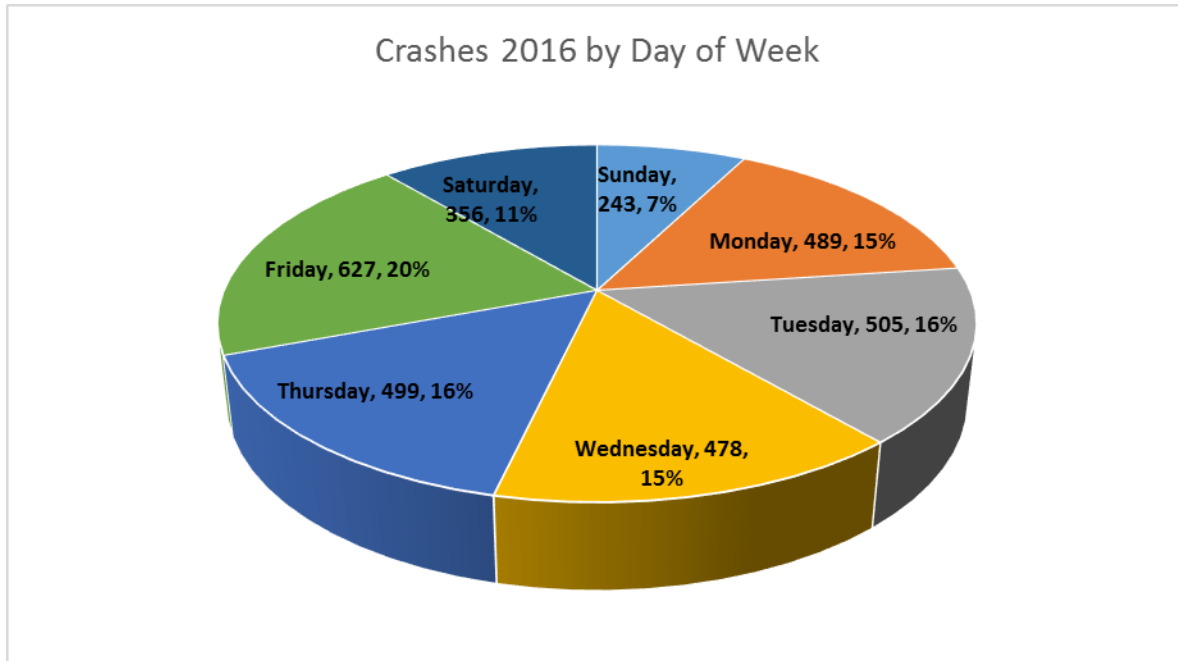
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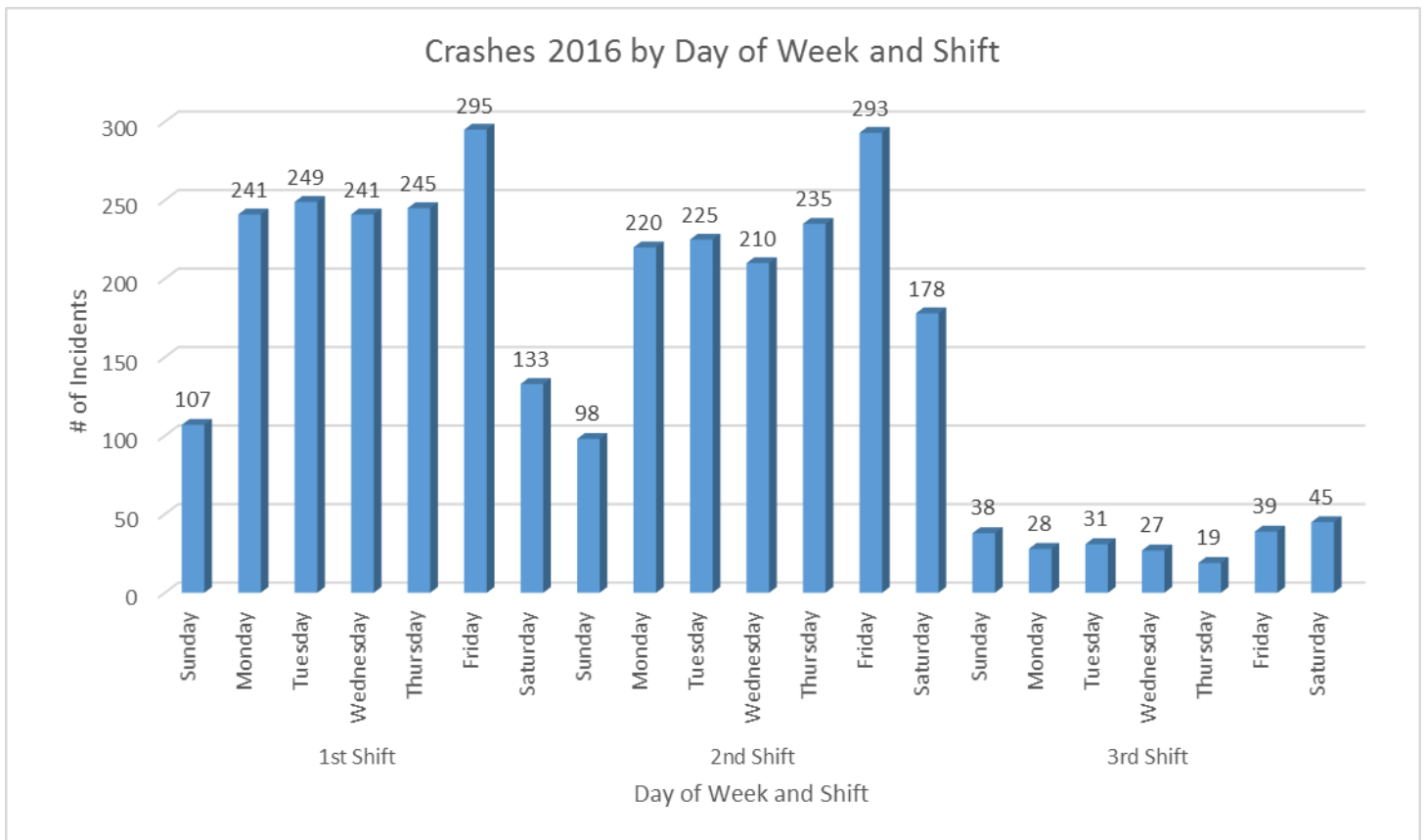
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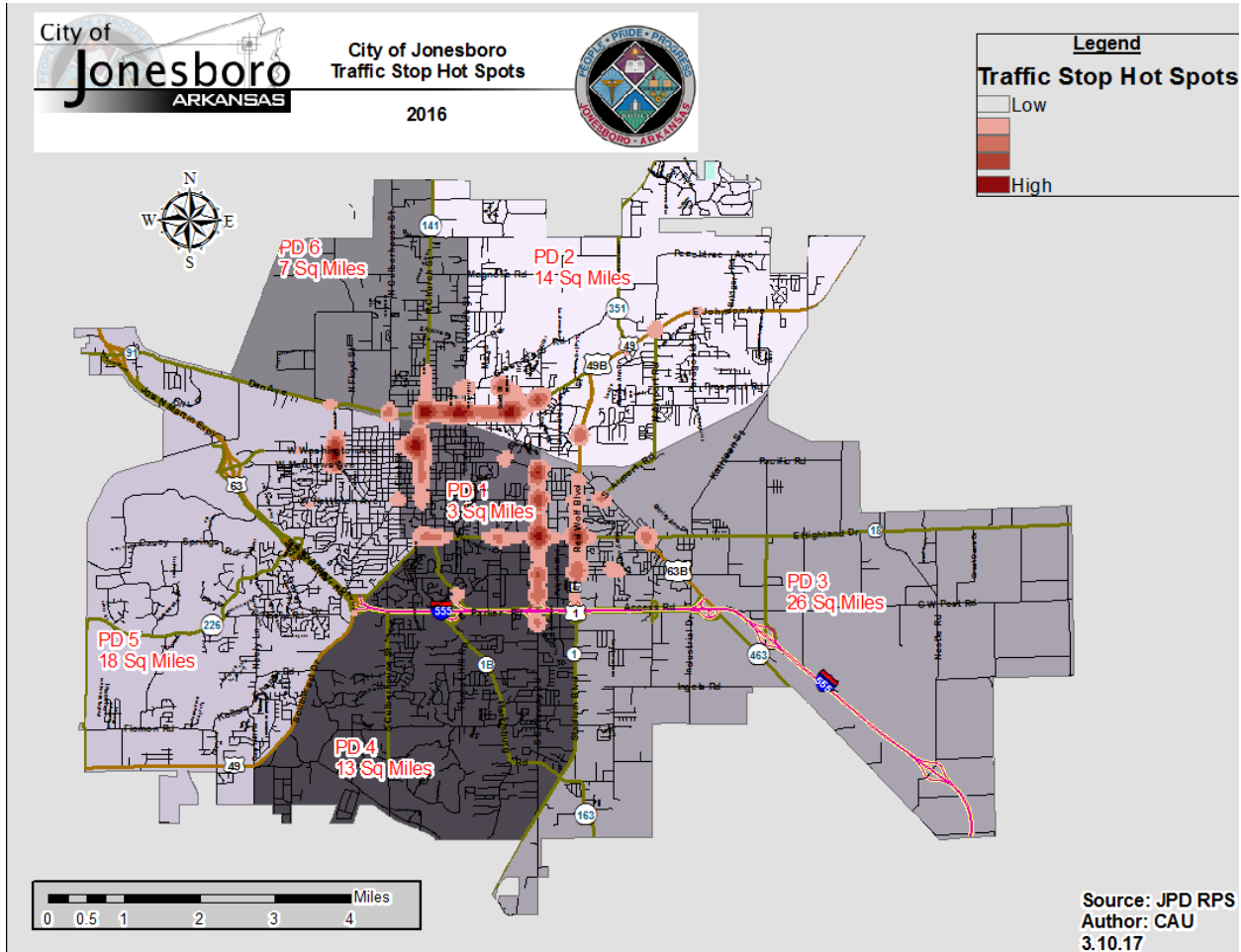
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Traffic Stops

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Traffic Stop Hot Spots 2016

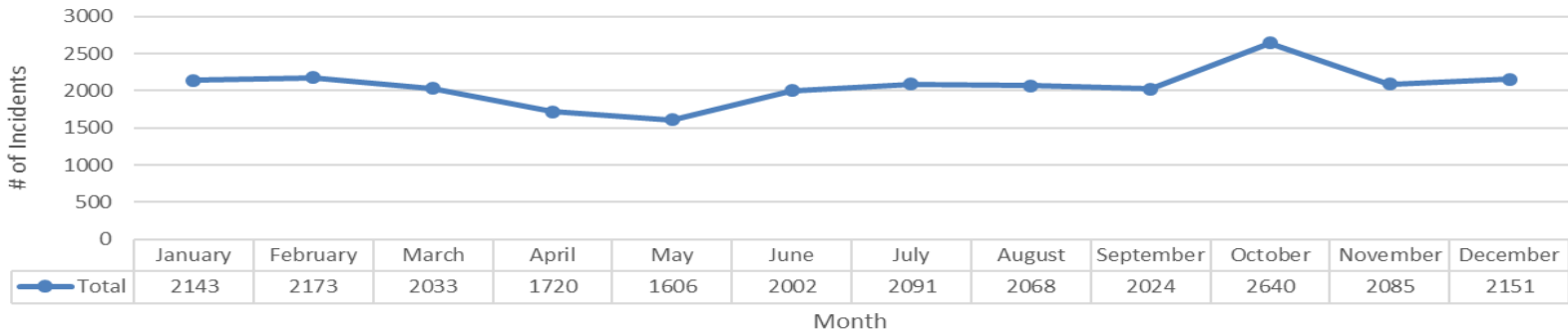


Refer to the crash map on page 46. High crash areas are generally where more enforcement occurs during peak times.

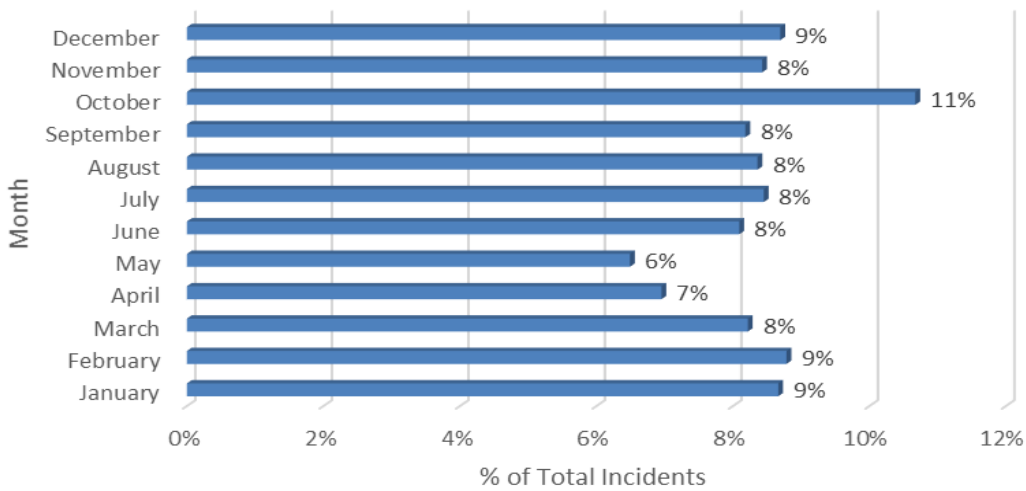
Annual Comparisons: Traffic Stops



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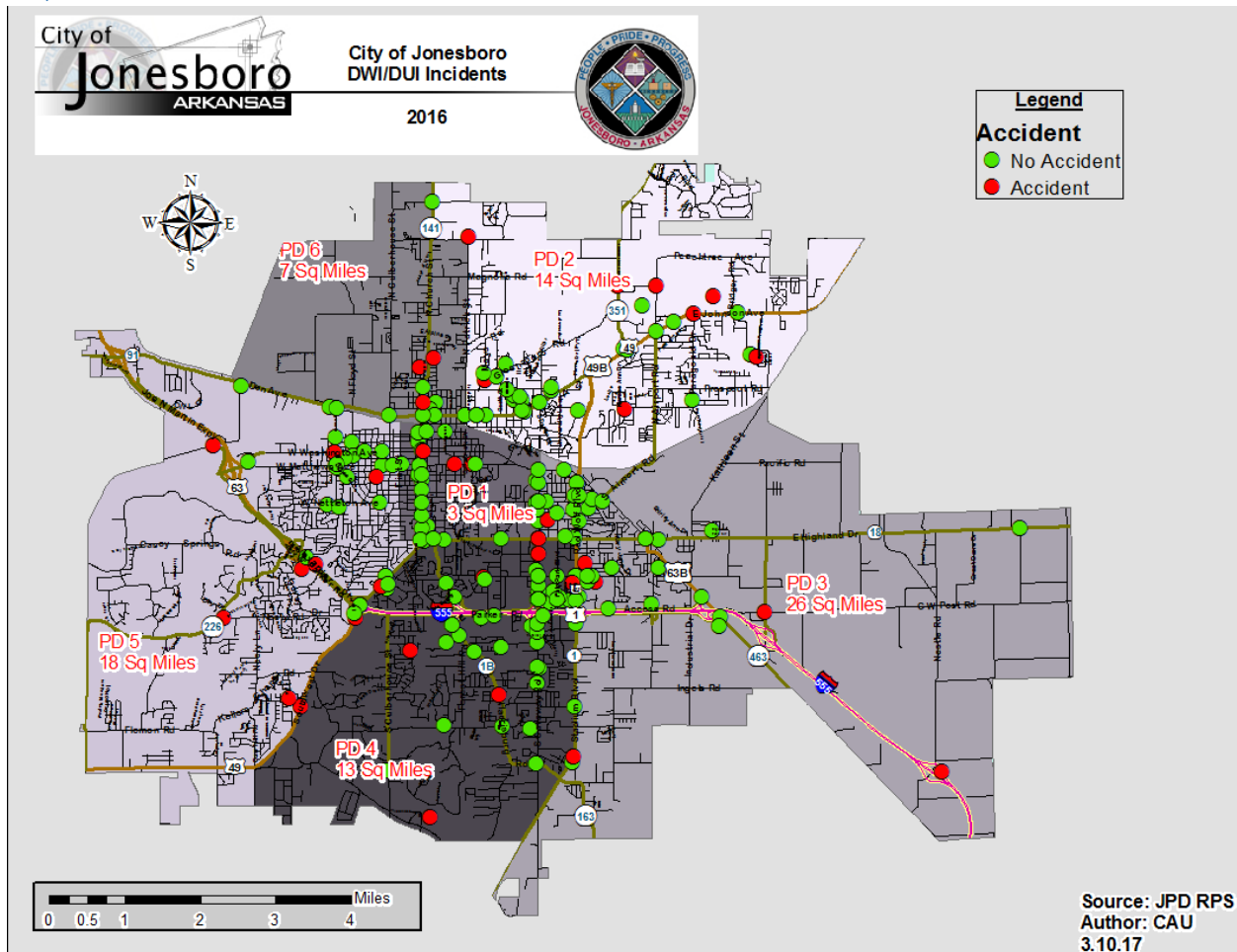
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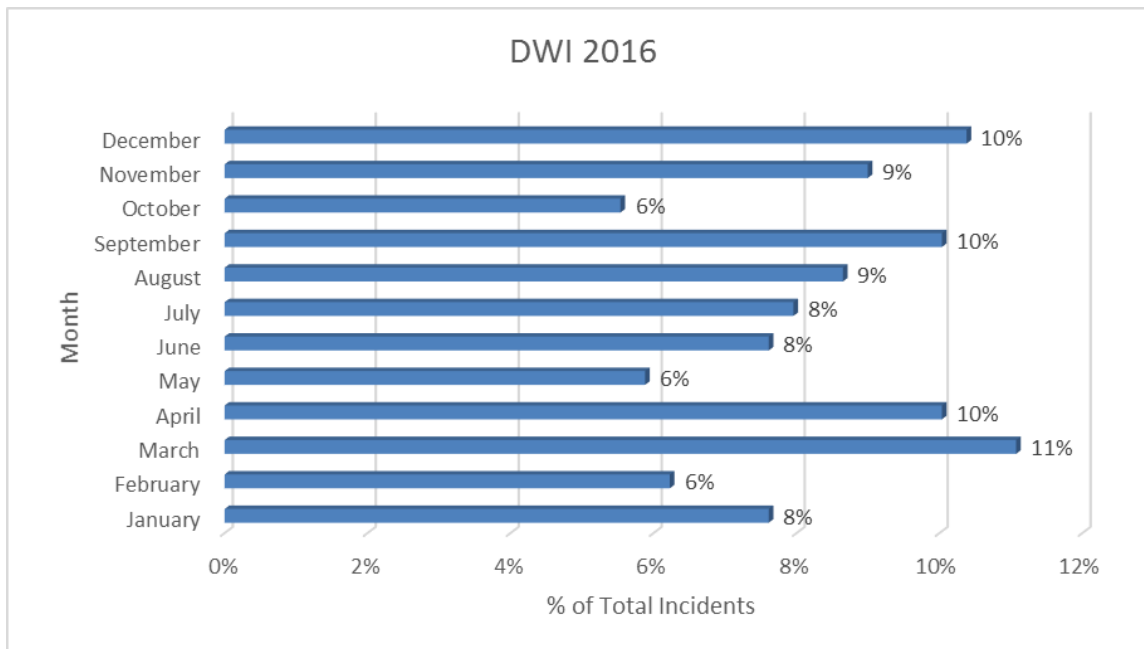
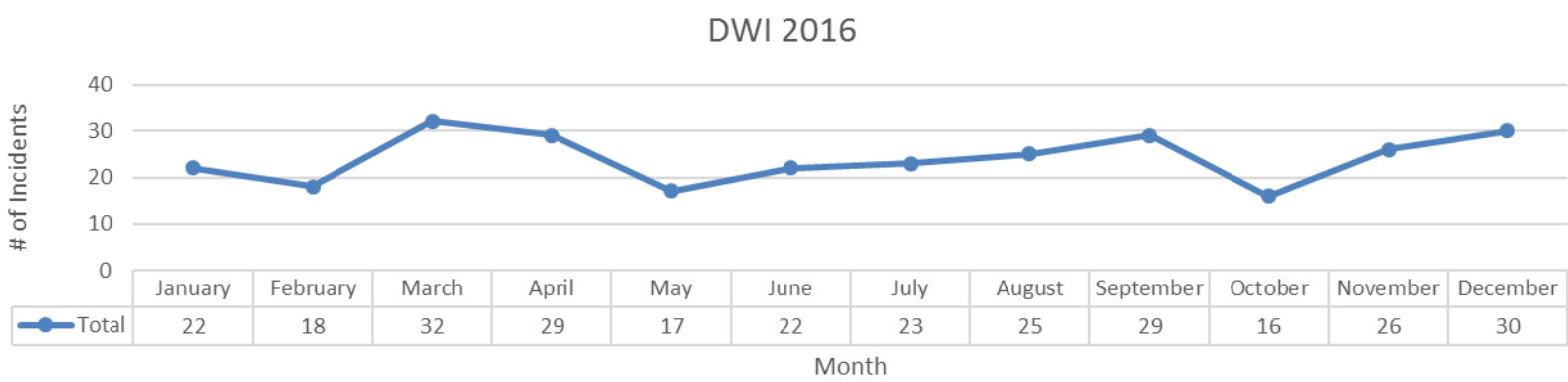
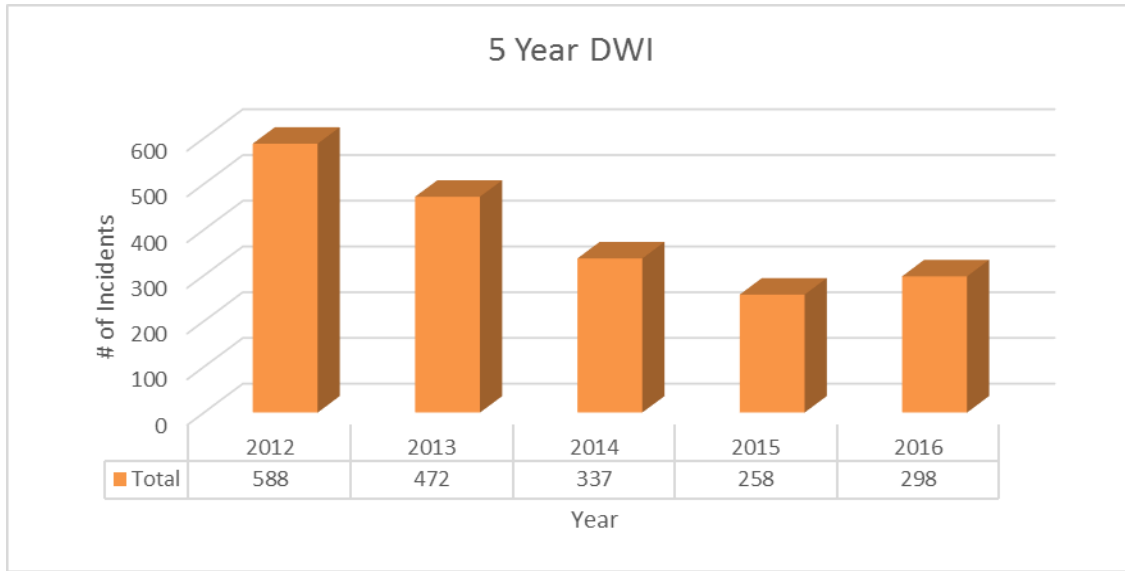
DWI/DUI

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Map



Annual Comparisons



## What's New in 2016

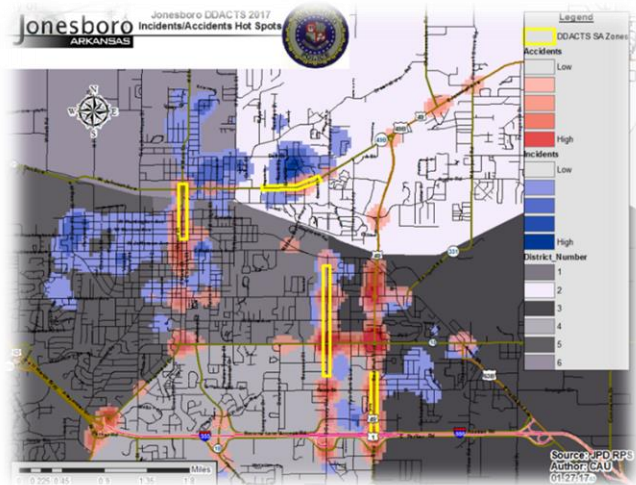
### Data Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS)

*“DDACTS is an operational model that uses the integration of location-based crime and traffic data to establish effective and efficient methods for deploying law enforcement resources.”*

*–International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards (IADLEST)*

In 2016, the City of Jonesboro has joined the 700+ agencies nationwide that integrate the DDACTS model into their everyday patrols. The goal of DDACTS is to reduce social harm and the incidence of crime and crashes in specific neighborhoods through:

- 1) Engaging partners and stakeholders: Crime and Traffic accidents can affect the public perception of safety as well as harm business in an area,
- 2) Collecting Data: Officers and Dispatchers are encouraged to be specific in their reports so that they can be analyzed effectively to make change in the community,
- 3) Analyzing Data: Crime Analysis reviews where *chronic* traffic crashes and crime occur in town by taking the last 5 years of each and overlaying them. The officers then patrol in areas that have BOTH crashes and crimes. Once the areas are selected, Crime Analysis then digs into the data to recommend times that directed patrols should be conducted
- 4) Implementing Strategic Operations: Patrol officers increase patrol in the selected areas during peak crime/accident times and from time to time will do saturated patrols (high traffic areas like stop lights).
- 5) Sharing information: DDACTS areas are shared through social media and press releases are sent to the Media to highlight where the public can expect extra patrol.
- 6) Monitoring, evaluating, and adjusting operations: Crime analysis monitors the program quarterly and adjusts DDACTS areas annually.
- 7) Measuring outcomes: Crime analysis reports statistically significant outcomes.



Increased patrols in high crime/high traffic crash areas has been statistically proven across the United States to reduce crime and deter accidents. The reduction in crime will allow already limited resources to be freed to do more proactive policing, thus allowing our officers to better serve the community.

The Patrol division conducted multiple traffic stop saturations in DDACTS areas during peak accident times in October 2016. 700 more Traffic Stops occurred in 2016 than 2015. Accidents were projected to increase in October by at least 15, but largely due to these efforts, accidents were reduced by 68.

DDACTS is supported by the following national/international partners: International Association of Chiefs of Police, International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards, National Sheriff's Association, National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives, International Association of Crime Analysts, US Department of Transportation, Commission on Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies, and more.

### Swap Spot

The Leadership Jonesboro classes of 2016, the Jonesboro Police Department, the Jonesboro Fire Department and the city of Jonesboro have initiated a new program called the City of Jonesboro Swap Spot. This initiative works to address safety and awareness concerns regarding Internet-based purchases from websites, the various local Facebook groups, or simply any other item advertised for sale from an individual, regardless of the source of the advertised sale. These zones allow a location for child custody exchanges as well. Swap Spots provide residents a safer place for prospective buyers and sellers to meet and complete their transactions.



*Chief Rick Elliot officially opens the new Swap Spot*

The first Swap Spot location, the police station at 1001 S. Caraway Road, is under video surveillance at all times, thus providing extra protection to the public. Although there will not be an officer present for these transactions, we believe the ability to arrange to meet at the police and fire departments in an area designated for this purpose will deter those wanting to engage in theft or fraudulent activity.



### Child Abduction Response Team (CART)

In an effort to improve the response to missing, abducted and endangered children, Arkansas' own Criminal Justice Institute and Attorney General Lesley Rutledge, have collaborated with the AMBER Alert National Training and Technical Assistance Program to offer a training program for all Arkansas Law Enforcement. The focus of this training is to provide trained response teams all across the state that can come together quickly in order to work toward the safe return of missing children.

The Jonesboro Police Department was pleased to be selected as a lead agency for our Northeast Arkansas area. Along with Chief Rick Elliott, JPD team members Captain Lynn Waterworth, Sgt. Brandon King and Chaplain Don Blackmore attended an initial training designed to provide each team with a plan of action that will guide the team should a child abduction incident occur. Headed by the Arkansas State Police Troop Captain for each area, the team is a multi-disciplinary, multi-jurisdictional body that consists of members from many law enforcement agencies within that troop district. Throughout the year, additional trainings were held, culminating in a tabletop exercise conducted at the JPD in October. The exercise was built around a realistic abduction scenario and team members worked through the initial deployment, response, investigation, recovery and reunification procedures utilizing local resources.



*CART exercise*

As the team continues to progress, additional members from the JPD will be added, such as Crime Analyst Katie Haydar who joined the team beginning in 2017. The final goal for the JPD will be not only be an active part of the Northeast Arkansas team, but to also establish our own Jonesboro specific team that will be able to more rapidly respond to events locally.

### Sex Offender Registration Specialist

The Jonesboro Police Department is responsible for registering sex offenders that live within the city limits of Jonesboro. Karen Rinehart, the sex offender registration specialist, was assigned to CID in November 2016 to carry out that task. The sex offender registration specialist also investigates instances of offenders failing to register or being non-compliant with registration requirements.

Karen Rinehart is a former patrol officer for the Jonesboro Police Department. She looks forward to tackling her new role.



### Evidence Technician

Anne Marie Robinson was born and raised in Jonesboro. She attended Jonesboro High School, where she graduated from in 2007. She then attended college at Arkansas State University. She began working at the police department as a part time records clerk in 2013. Anne Marie was recently hired as the Evidence Tech for the department. Anne Marie wants the community to know that she has thoroughly enjoyed her time here so far and absolutely loves everyone she works with.



### Shooting Sports Complex



The Jonesboro Police Department is in the development stages of a new Shooting Sports Complex.

Plans include a Trap/Skeet area, as well as a 200 yard Rifle Range, a 50 yard Pistol Range, an Archery Range, and a 3-D Archery Range.

The estimated date of completion has yet to be determined.

### Promotions

Patrol Sergeant Cooper Taylor was promoted to Patrol Lieutenant. Lt. Taylor has served JPD for 26 years.

Detective Brandon King was promoted to ICAC Sergeant. Sgt. King has served JPD for 9 years.

Patrol Officer Shon Morris was promoted to Patrol Sergeant. Sgt. Morris has served JPD for 13 years.



*Lt. Cooper Taylor, Sgt. Brandon King, Sgt. Shon Morris*

## Police Academy



The Jonesboro Police Department gained approval from the Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training (ACLEST) to establish its own academy after submitting a lesson plan and report on its proposed faculty. As of December 2016, JPD has graduated 2 classes from the academy.

A number of Jonesboro Police Department's veteran officers teach at the Law Enforcement Training Academy at Black River Technical College in Pocahontas and they are among the instructors for the Jonesboro academy.

The quality of instruction and subject matter are the same as that offered at the Law Enforcement Training Academy at BRTC. However, due to the smaller class size, the JPD Academy can offer more individual instruction compared to the state class. The most recent graduating class at Pocahontas included 55 officers from across the state.



The 13-week course provides instruction and practical application in criminal investigation, accident investigation, firearms, defensive tactics, officer safety techniques, traffic law, criminal law, civil liability and other legal aspects of law enforcement. Trainees also learn first aid, crime prevention, crisis intervention, cultural diversity and other general areas of importance to officers beginning their careers.

After graduation, the recruits continue to work for 12 weeks under the supervision of Field Training Officers before taking to the streets on their own.

By conducting our own Academy class, the Jonesboro Police Department will cut two months off of the time that a new officer would be in training.

The Jonesboro Police Department hosted its second in house policy academy in 2016, where 12 newly hired officers attained 600 hours of credit from the commission on law enforcement standards. The training encompassed all state mandated requirements plus items to prepare the recruits to serve the citizens of Jonesboro. For every hour of class room or practical instruction, instructors would spend on average one and a half hours in preparation.



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12:00am-11:59pm

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8:00am-4:00pm

**Fingerprints:**

12:00pm-3:00pm



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