



DOUGLASS TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTGOMERY COUNTY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2025
CHIEF ROBERT B. EVANS



**CHIEFS OF POLICE
ASSOCIATION**

MISSION STATEMENT

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Douglass Township Police Department is to serve and protect all residents and visitors of Douglass Township, Montgomery County. The Douglass Township Police Department is committed to providing professional and courteous service to the public. We shall strive to improve the quality of life by enforcing laws in a fair and impartial manner while encouraging the mutual trust with the public and all residents. To be successful in this mission, core values must be present and the basis for all our actions, which include:

◆ Professionalism

We are leaders who are striving for personal and professional growth and are a trusted source of help and support working to solve and prevent crime. Employees shall maintain an atmosphere symbolizing their commitment to the highest standards.

◆ Integrity

Douglass Township Police Department employees shall maintain the highest level of integrity and accountability. We are honest and truthful in our interactions within the Department and in the community we serve.

◆ Respect

Our dedicated service requires courtesy, compassion, ethical conduct, and appreciation for ethnic and cultural diversity in Douglass Township with the commitment to respecting the humanity of all.

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INTRODUCTION



ACCREDITATION



- ◆ Accreditation is a progressive and time-proven way of helping institutions evaluate and improve their overall performance. Participating administrators conduct a thorough analysis to determine how existing operations can be adapted to meet the promulgation of standards containing the clear statement of professional objectives. Once these procedures are in place, a team of independent professionals is assigned to verify that all applicable standards have been successfully implemented. The process culminates with a decision by an authoritative body that the institution is worthy of accreditation.
- ◆ Since the Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Accreditation Program was introduced in 2001, over 375 agencies have enrolled and currently 193 agencies have attained accredited status
- ◆ We have been an accredited police department since February 2003
- ◆ On February 5th, 2024, we were re-accredited for the 7th time, and will be due again in February 2027 for the years 2024-2026
- ◆ We reached Premier Agency status after our 2021-2023 cycle

POLICE FORCE

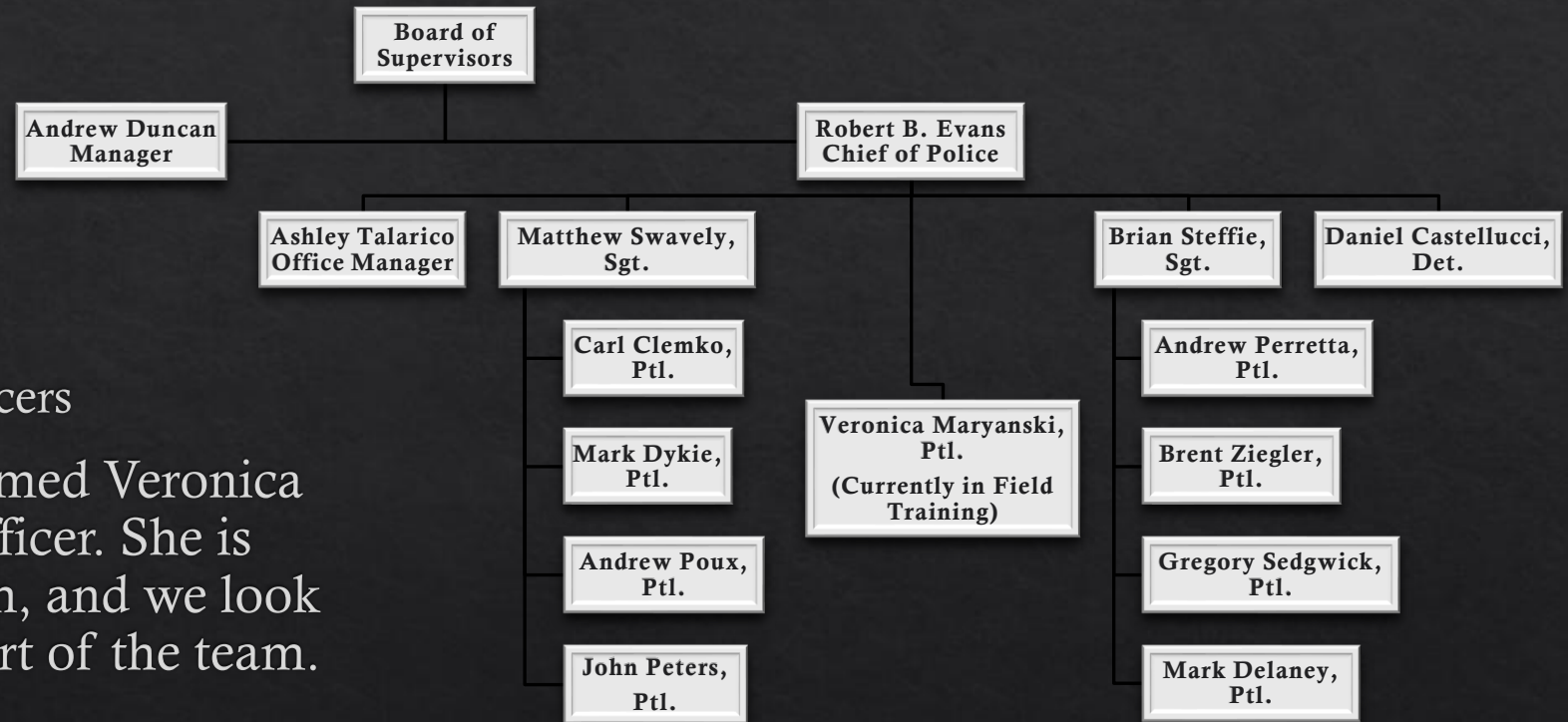
◇ Police Personnel – 13

- ◇ (1) Chief of Police
- ◇ (1) Detective
- ◇ (2) Sergeants
- ◇ (9) Full-Time Patrol Officers

In August of 2025, we welcomed Veronica Maryanski as a new patrol officer. She is currently in the FTO program, and we look forward to having her as a part of the team.

◇ Civilian Personnel – 1

- ◇ (1) Office Manager



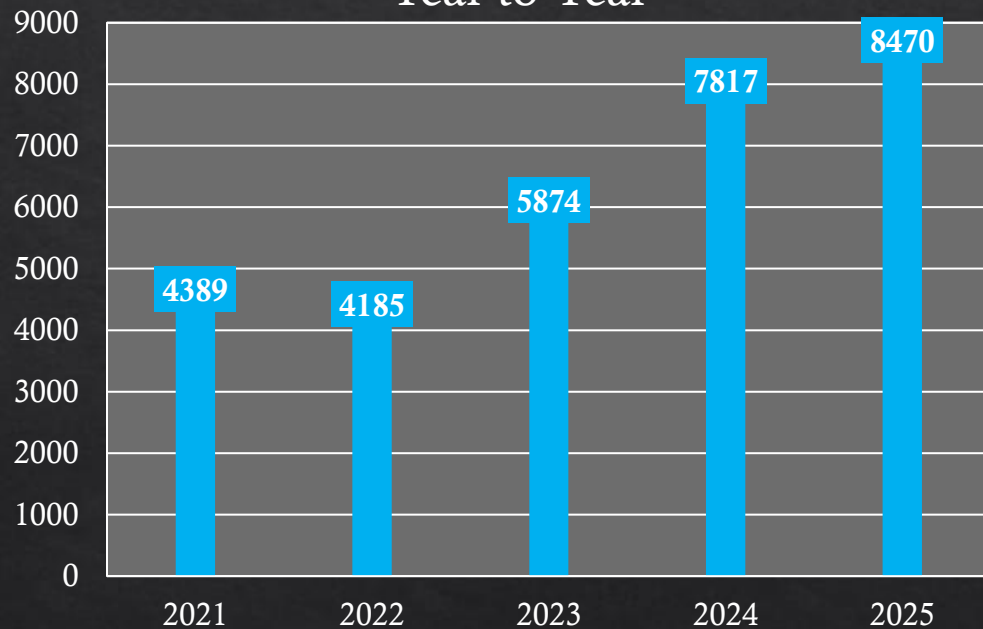
CALLS FOR SERVICE

- ◆ Total # of calls for service in 2025: **8,470**
- ◆ These include: crimes, dog and animal complaints, neighbor disputes, domestic complaints, assists to ambulances and other police departments, alarm calls, self-dispatch, and many other types of calls
- ◆ These do not include: traffic stops/warnings/citations, administrative reports, and court hearings
- ◆ Based on all the above information, the total amount of police reports completed for 2025 was 9,610 reports
- ◆ Dispatched events through Montgomery County Department of Public Safety: **5,815**
 - ◆ This averages out to about 16 calls a day that were dispatched to us in 2025

Visual charts to display year to year statistics for police calls

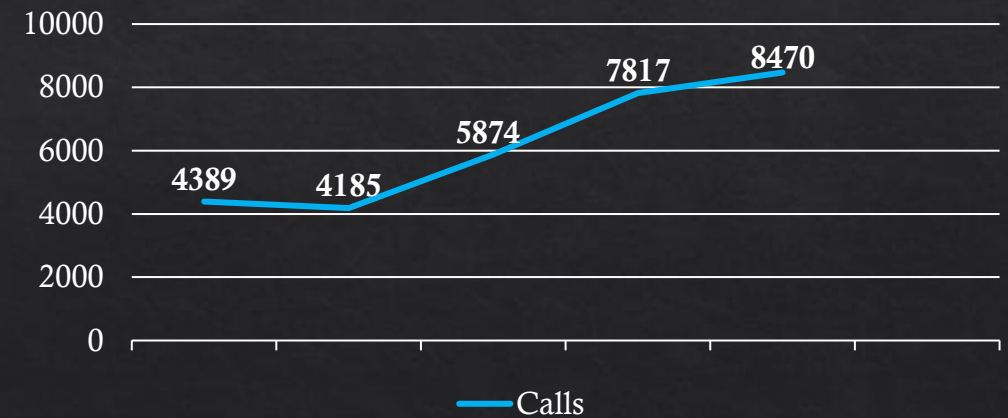
Comparison Chart

Year to Year



Line Graph

2021-2025



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

Our Detective is assigned to investigate the more serious types of crimes that require more extensive investigations. His function is to process the crime scenes for any evidence that will bring the case to a successful conclusion. This includes: processing and lifting latent fingerprints, photographing the scene, interviewing witnesses, interrogating suspects, filing necessary reports, obtaining and serving arrest warrants and search warrants, and maintaining all equipment used in this process.

- ◆ 45 Search Warrants completed
- ◆ 116 new criminal cases in 2025
- ◆ Of the 116 cases, 39 cases have been cleared by arrest
- ◆ 34% clearance rate
- ◆ See breakdown on the following slides for investigations and arrests

<u>PART A CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS</u>		TOTAL
Arson		0
Assault		7
Burglary		0
Motor Vehicle Theft		1
Rape		2
Robbery		2
Theft		11
		23

<u>PART B CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS – PAGE 1</u>	TOTAL
Accident Involving Damage to Attended Vehicle/Property	1
Act 64	2
ADF	2
Aggravated Indecent Assault of Child	1
Arrest Prior to Requisition	1
Assist Citizen	1
Checkwashing	1
Communications with 911	2
Computer Theft	1
Criminal Mischief	1
Criminal Trespass	2
Dangerous Dog	1
Deceptive Business Practice	1
Defiant Trespass	1
Disorderly Conduct	1
Disseminate Photo/Film of Child Sex Acts/Sexual Abuse Materials	1
Dissemination of Child Pornography	1
Drug Delivery Resulting in Death	2
DUI	10
Endangering Welfare of Children	1
False Identification to Law Enforcement	1
False Statement	3
Forgery	4
Fraud	4

<u>PART B CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS – PAGE 2</u>	TOTAL
Identity Theft	2
Illegally Operate Vehicle w/out Ignition Interlock	1
Indecent Assault	2
Intercept Communications	1
Involuntary Deviate Sexual Intercourse with Child	1
Loitering and Prowling at Night Time	1
Missing Persons	5
Missing/Runaway Juvenile	1
Open Lewdness	1
Receiving Stolen Property	1
Recklessly Endangering Another Person	2
Retail Theft	9
Runaway Juvenile	2
Sexual Assault	3
Sexual Extortion	2
Strangulation	1
Terroristic Threats	2
Theft From Motor Vehicle	4
Theft of Firearm	1
Trademark Counterfeiting	1
Transmission of Sexually Explicit Images By Minor	1
Unauthorized Use Motor Vehicles	1
Unlawful Contact with Minor	1
Unlawful Dissemination of Intimate Image	1
	93

<u>CRIMINAL ARRESTS - 2025</u>	TOTAL
Accident Involving Damage to Attended Vehicle/Property	1
Act 64	1
Arrest Prior to Requisition	1
Assault	5
Communications with 911	1
Criminal Mischief	1
Criminal Trespass	1
Dangerous Dog	1
Defiant Trespass	1
DUI	9
Endangering Welfare of Children	1
False Statement	3
Forgery	1
Illegally Operate Vehicle w/out Ignition Interlock	1
Loitering and Prowling at Night Time	1
Retail Theft	2
Robbery	1
Strangulation	1
Terroristic Threats	2
Theft	2
Unlawful Contact with Minor	1
Warrant Arrest	1
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PATROL DIVISION

Main Function is to maintain the safety of the public both on the highways and in all other areas of the Township

Works toward the removal of drunk drivers, aggressive drivers, and speeding drivers to make the highways safer for the public

Responsible for answering calls for service and conducting security checks on business and residences while homeowners are on vacation

Total business checks in 2025: **50,692**

Total vacation home checks in 2025: **11**

Total Assists to other Police Departments: **119**

PATROL DIVISION – SPECIALIZED CERTIFICATIONS

- ◆ (2) officers are certified Accident Re-Constructionists
- ◆ (2) officers are members of the MSWAT-W team. The purpose of the MSWAT-W team is to provide each participating police department with the capability of having a specially trained and equipped team of officers to respond and assist existing personnel in any “high risk” situation. These include barricaded person(s), civil disorders, disaster security details, fugitive searches, high risk arrests, high risk prisoner transports, high risk search warrants, high risk surveillance details, and hostage negotiations.



PATROL DIVISION – SPECIALIZED CERTIFICATIONS CONT.

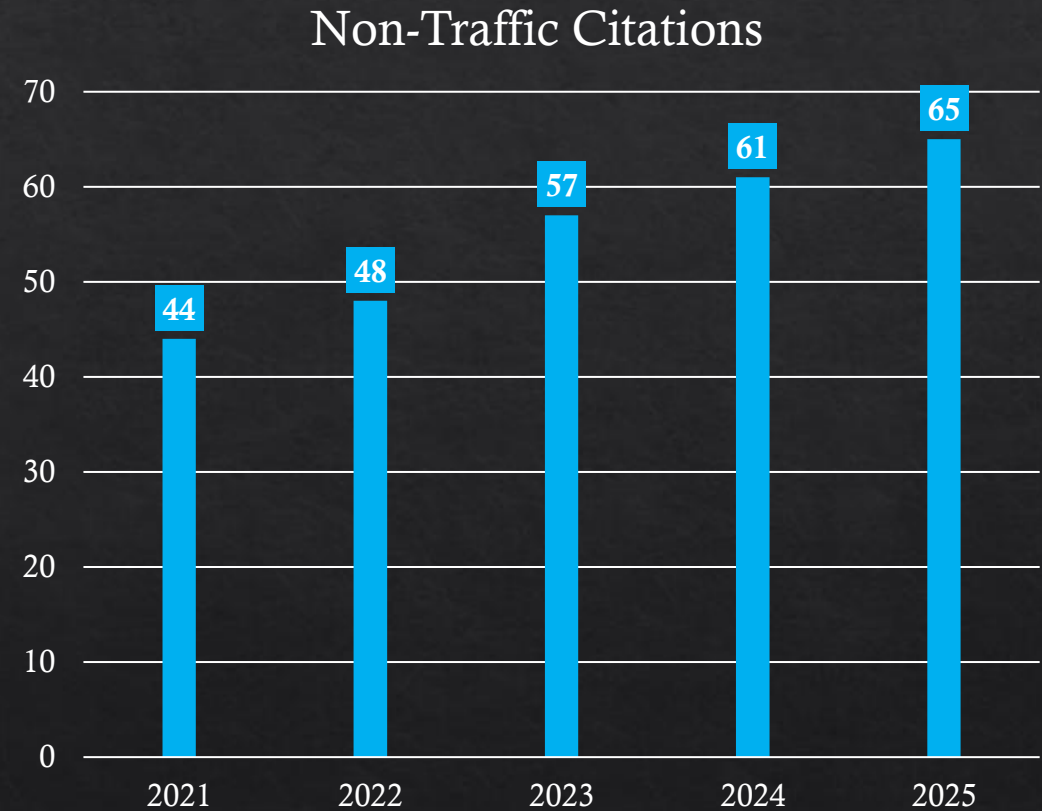
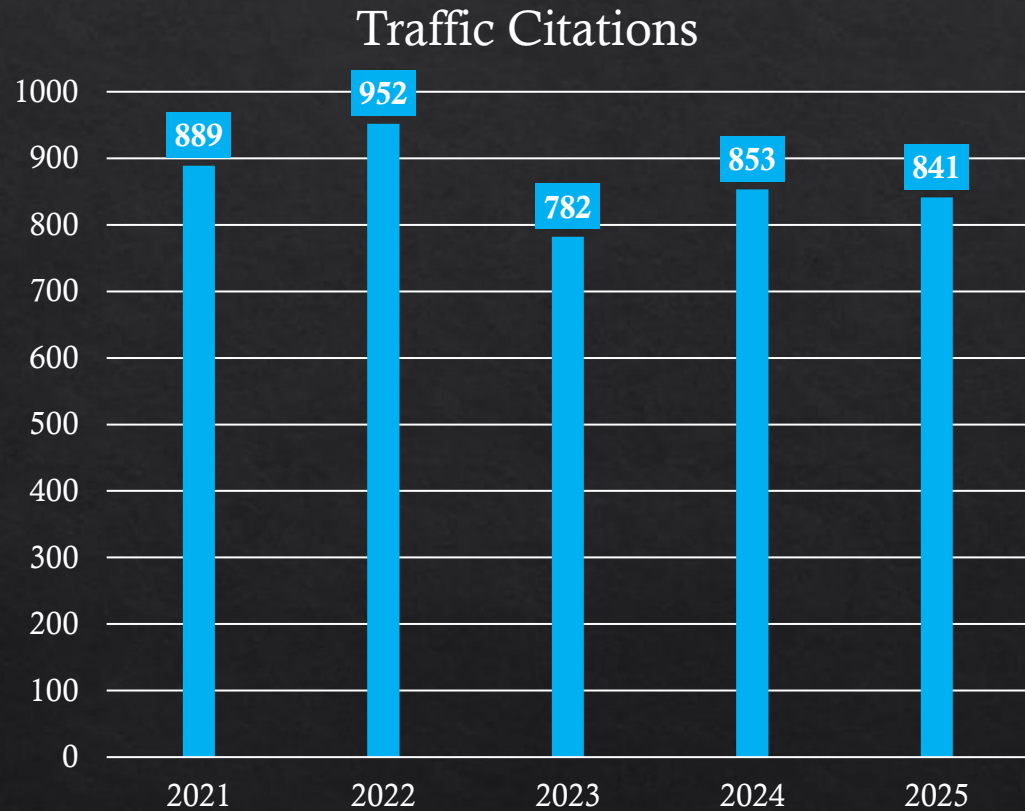
- ♦ (1) officer is a certified inspection mechanic and a certified Pennsylvania North American Level I Inspector. This officer performs safety inspections on larger truck traffic that travel our roads in the Township.
- ♦ (2) officers are certified firearms instructors. These (2) officers oversee our annual firearms qualifications that are required by the Pennsylvania Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission (MPOETC)
- ♦ (5) officers are on the Montgomery County Drug Task Force Program. Many arrests have resulted from the Drug Task Force that have included work in Douglass Township.



PATROL DIVISION – TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

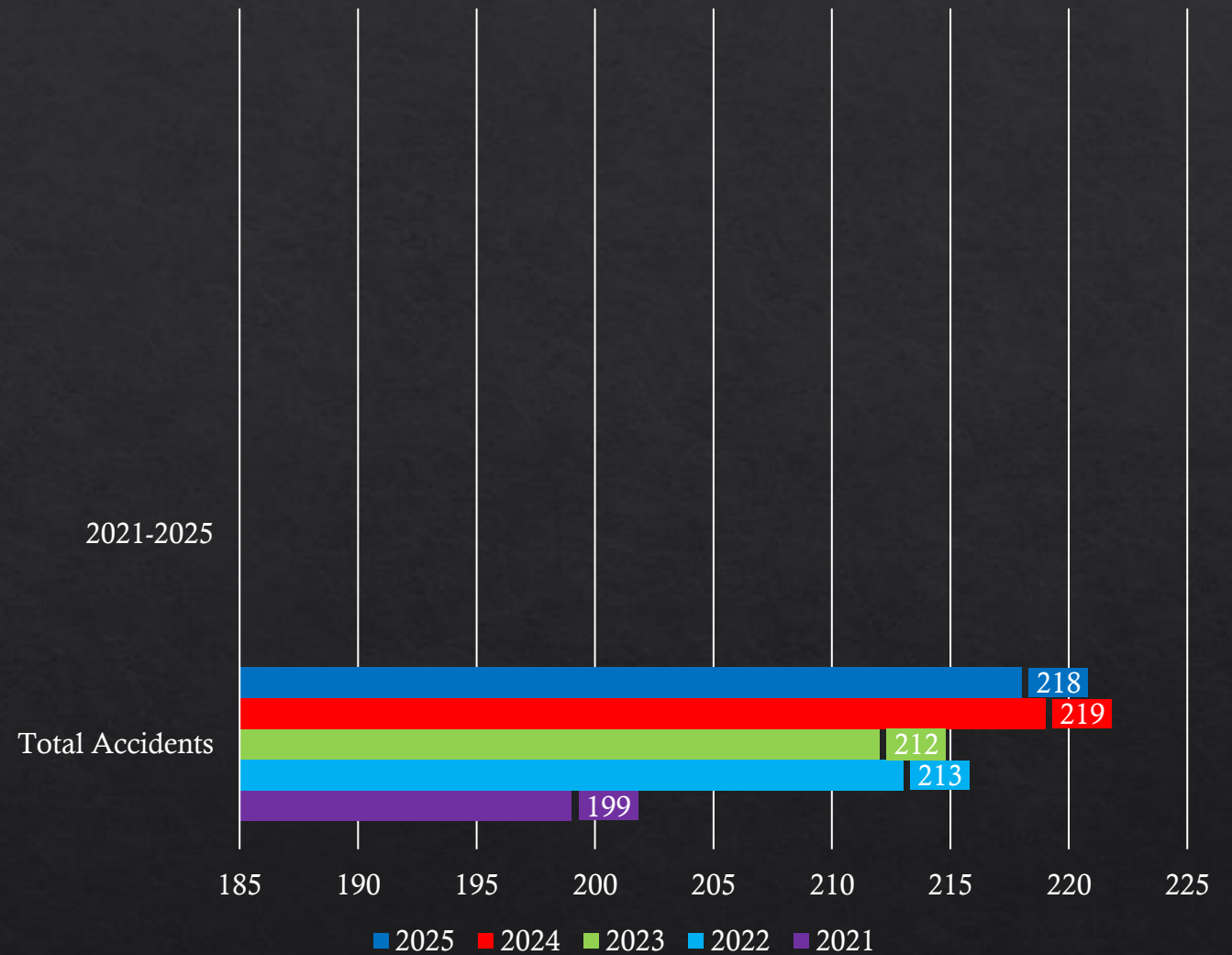
- ◇ 78 Reportable Accidents
- ◇ 140 Non-Reportable Accidents
- ◇ 41 injuries
- ◇ 392 vehicles
- ◇ 1 accident resulting in 1 fatality
- ◇ 2 DUI-related accidents
- ◇ 2 accidents involving a bicycle
- ◇ 841 Traffic Citations issued
- ◇ 4 Parking Tickets issued
- ◇ See breakdown on the following slides for traffic citations

Patrol division year to year statistics involving Traffic and non-traffic citations issued



Motor vehicle accidents

Reportable and non-reportable accident
year to year



<u>TRAFFIC CITATIONS PART 1 - 2025</u>	CODE	TOTAL
Driving Unregistered Vehicle	1301	161
Fail to Carry Registration	1311	1
Obscured Plates	1332	2
Vehicle Registration Suspended	1371	26
Display Plate/Card in Improper Vehicle	1372	1
Driving Without a License	1501	11
Use Improper Class of License	1504	2
Failure to Carry License	1511	3
Driving While Op. Priv Suspended or Revoked	1543	33
Permit Unlicensed Driver	1574	1
Proof of Financial Responsibility Following Violation	1784	1
Required Financial Responsibility	1786	28
Operate Without MCRT ID Markers	2102	2
Proceed Past Red Light or Stop Sign	3105	1
Obedience to Traffic Control Devices	3111	59
Failure to Stop at Red Signal	3112	12
Pass Left Unsafe	3305	1
Approach Intersection Improperly	3306	1
Passing Where Prohibited	3307	1
Disregard Traffic Lane (Single)	3309	8
Following Too Closely	3310	10
Vehicle Turning Left	3322	1
Duties at Stop Sign	3323	30
Not Yield at Roadway	3324	3
Improper Right Turn	3331	1
		400

TRAFFIC CITATIONS PART 2 - 2025	CODE	TOTAL
Turning Movements and Required Signals	3334	3
Meeting/Overtaking School Bus	3345	1
Illegal Park Where Official Signs Prohibit	3353	1
Driving at Safe Speed	3361	15
Max. Speed Limits	3362	94
Illegal Racing	3367	2
Stand Unattended	3701	1
Careless Driving	3714	17
Trespass By Motor Vehicle	3717	1
Reckless Driving	3736	3
Accident/Damage to Unattended Veh. Or Prop.	3745	1
Fail to Notify Police Dept. of Accident	3746	4
Restrictions on Alcoholic Beverages	3809	1
Operating with Unsafe Equipment	4107	23
Period For Requiring Lighted Lamps	4302	1
No Head or Rear Lights/Turn Signal	4303	12
Obstructed Window	4524	1
Failure to Use Safety Belt	4581	4
Emission Inspection	4702	12
Op. Vehicle without Valid Inspection	4703	197
Notice of Violation/Required Corrections	4704	2
Violation of Emissions	4706	38
Drive w/ Unsecured Load	4903	1
Investigation By Officer/Duty Of Operator	6308	5
Enforcement Authority (Fail To Comply)	6311	1
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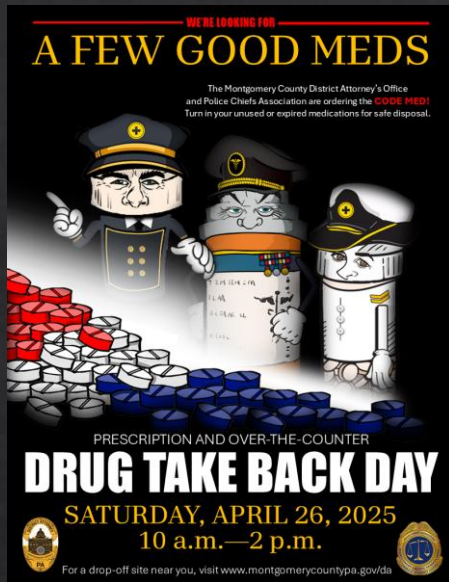
PATROL DIVISION – NON-TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

- ◆ 65 Non-Traffic Citations issued
- ◆ Non-Traffic Citation is issued for a summary violation of the Pennsylvania Crimes Code
- ◆ These include: Disorderly Conduct, Public Drunkenness, Underage Drinking, etc.
- ◆ See breakdown on the following slide for non-traffic citations

<u>NON-TRAFFIC CITATIONS - 2025</u>	CODE	TOTAL
Harassment	2709	12
Criminal Mischief	3304	10
Defiant Trespass	3503	2
Retail Theft	3929	3
Disorderly Conduct	5503	20
Public Drunkenness	5505	9
Sale of Tobacco	6305	2
Purchase Etc. Alcholic Beverage By a Minor	6308	5
License Required (Ordinance)	187-2	2
		65

DUI CHECKPOINTS

- ◆ In 2025, we participated in 6 roving DUI patrols and stationary checkpoint details including one held in Douglass Township on June 6th
- ◆ During our detail, 1 DUI arrest was made along with 1 arrest for possession of marijuana, 1 non-traffic citation issued for underage drinking, and 10 traffic citations were issued
- ◆ Done in conjunction with Pottstown Area DUI Sobriety Checkpoint Program
- ◆ Money used to fund these operations was received through state grant funds



DRUG TAKE BACK

- ❖ Along with the DEA, we participate in Drug Take Back Initiative Program, now run by Montgomery County Police Chief's Association and the Montgomery County District Attorney's Office
- ❖ Residents turn them in at these events or by dropping them off at our Medication Collection Box located in the lobby of the Township Administration Building



- ❖ Drug Take Back was held in April and October
- ❖ A total of 156 lbs. of unwanted, unused and expired drugs were collected and properly disposed of
- ❖ Since 2013, we have turned over 2,279 lbs. of outdated/unused medications

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

- ◆ The Animal Control Officer (ACO) handles all the calls that police would previously have handled involving animals
- ◆ Police respond to the initial call, but ACO will handle any follow-up needed
- ◆ Total # of calls ACO assisted us with in 2025: 23



COURT APPEARANCES

Court appearances are a necessary part of any police officer's job. The officer must be completely prepared to testify to the facts of the case as he knows them and be prepared to put on any witnesses that are necessary. This can be very time consuming and does take the officer off the street or require them to appear on their days off.

- ◊ 427 court appearances at District Court
- ◊ 7 court appearances at the Montgomery County Court of Common Pleas
- ◊ Total # of court appearances for 2025: **434**

SCHOOLS & TRAINING

- ◇ 2025 Mandatory Updates: Legal Update
- ◇ 2025 Mandatory Updates: Law Enforcement Response to Homeless Persons
- ◇ 2025 Mandatory Updates: Tactical Response
- ◇ 2025 Mandatory Updates: Elder Abuse and Exploitation
- ◇ Firearms Re-Certification
- ◇ CPR/AED/First Aid Re-Certification
- ◇ OC/Baton Re-Certification
- ◇ Taser Re-Certification (TASER 7 and X26P)
- ◇ LEO Firearms Instructor
- ◇ Drug Task Force
- ◇ Glock Armorer Re-Certification
- ◇ Taser Instructor Re-Certification
- ◇ TAC
- ◇ North American Standard Driving/Vehicle Inspection Training Program
- ◇ Vehicle Weighing And Measuring Training Program
- ◇ 2025 Authority & Certification
- ◇ Tracking Down The Suspect IP Address
- ◇ Security And Privacy - General
- ◇ Local Limited Access Recertification
- ◇ Cops and Cars: Managing Risk Through Behavior-Based Supervision
- ◇ Leading Through The Generations: People-Focused Leadership for Public Safety
- ◇ Navigating Risks on Social Media: A Guide to Online Monitoring and Collection
- ◇ ICAC-Sextortion, Program Overview, Standards Overview
- ◇ Internet Identifies: Names and Numbers for LE
- ◇ Lunch and Learn with Binance, Roblox, and Kodex
- ◇ Cell Phone Investigation Techniques
- ◇ Telegram Investigations
- ◇ C1240 Intermediate Cyber Investigations: Virtual Currency
- ◇ Intro to CyberTip Investigations
- ◇ Anonymizer, Darknet, & P2P
- ◇ Collecting and Preserving Evidence in ICAC Investigations
- ◇ On-Scene and Homicide By Vehicle Collision Investigation
- ◇ Technical and Advanced Analysis Collision Investigation
- ◇ Traffic Collision Reconstruction
- ◇ Intro to Proactive Investigations



COMMUNITY POLICING



- ◇ Conduct walking patrols in the shopping centers and Gilbertsville Elementary School
- ◇ DUI Sobriety Checkpoint/Roving Patrol Program
- ◇ Fire Prevention (Gilbertsville Elementary with Gilbertsville Fire & Rescue)
- ◇ Project Safe House (free gunlocks)
- ◇ Smooth Operator Campaign
- ◇ Click It or Ticket Campaign
- ◇ Coffee with a Cop at Giant
- ◇ Trick-or-Treating throughout the Township for Halloween
- ◇ National Drug Take Back Program
- ◇ Operation Christmas Kids (Plymouth Community Ambulance Association)
- ◇ Shop With a Cop at Bechtelsville Wal-Mart hosted by Upper Perk Police Department

DEPARTMENTAL PATROL VEHICLES

- ◇ **NEW 91-1 2024 Chevy Blazer EV** – 4,569 miles driven; ending mileage of 4,837 (Put Into Service Sept. of 2025)
- ◇ **91-2 2019 Ford Explorer** – 12,718 miles driven; ending mileage of 91,251
- ◇ **91-3 2020 Chevy Tahoe** – 15,047 miles driven; ending mileage of 81,881
- ◇ **91-4 2015 Dodge Charger** – 4,209 miles driven; ending mileage of 69,871
- ◇ **91-5 2023 Chevy Tahoe** – 15,729 miles driven; ending mileage of 36,306
- ◇ **91-6 2020 Ford F-150** – 20,555 miles driven; ending mileage of 73,662
- ◇ **91-7 2020 Ford Explorer** – 16,350 miles driven; ending mileage of 77,445
- ◇ **91-8 2016 Ford Explorer** – 1,537 miles driven; ending mileage of 109,584

Total Mileage for 2025: **90,714**



REVENUE

◆ District Court Fines/Costs	\$17,939.09
◆ False Alarms	\$1,652.15
◆ Fines/Costs	\$1,142.56
◆ Fingerprinting	\$60.00
◆ Overtime Reimbursement	\$12,413.05
◆ Parking Tickets	\$30.00
◆ Placard Renewal	\$20.00
◆ Reimbursement	\$3,103.11
◆ Reports	\$2,928.50
◆ Solicitation Permits	\$3,960.00
◆ State Police Fines/Penalties	\$4,682.59
◆ TOTAL MONIES RECEIVED	\$47,931.05

3-Year Data Comparison 2023-2025

The purpose of this letter is to provide an updated three-year comparison of select operational statistics for the Douglass Township Police Department covering calendar years **2023 through 2025**, including an added category for calls for service and police documentation reports. A brief explanation of each category and its potential meaning is provided below.

Criminal Reports

Criminal reports reflect documented incidents involving alleged violations of criminal law that required formal investigation and reporting.

- ◇ 2023: 121
- ◇ 2024: 111 (**decrease of 10**)
- ◇ 2025: 116 (**increase of 5 from 2024; overall decrease of 5 from 2023**)
This indicates relatively stable criminal activity with a slight overall decline over the three-year period.

Motor Vehicle Accidents (Reportable and Non-Reportable)

This category includes all investigated traffic crashes, both PennDOT-reportable and non-reportable, involving property damage, injury, or documentation for insurance purposes.

- ◇ 2023: 212
- ◇ 2024: 219 (**increase of 7**)
- ◇ 2025: 218 (**decrease of 1 from 2024; overall increase of 6 from 2023**)
These figures reflect consistent traffic volume and steady investigative demand.

Traffic Citations Issued

Traffic citations represent enforcement actions for violations of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code intended to promote roadway safety and compliance.

- ◇ 2023: 782
- ◇ 2024: 853 (**increase of 71**)
- ◇ 2025: 841 (**decrease of 12 from 2024; overall increase of 59 from 2023**)
This demonstrates sustained proactive traffic enforcement compared to 2023 levels.

Non-Traffic Citations Issued

Non-traffic citations include summary criminal or ordinance violations not related to vehicle operation.

- ◇ 2023: 57
- ◇ 2024: 61 (**increase of 4**)
- ◇ 2025: 65 (**increase of 4; overall increase of 8 from 2023**)
The gradual increase reflects consistent enforcement of quality-of-life and ordinance-related offenses.

Calls for Service and Police Documentation Reports

This category includes all dispatched calls for service and officer-initiated activities that resulted in police documentation, such as incident reports, information reports, and related administrative records.

- ◇ 2023: 5,874
- ◇ 2024: 7,817 (**increase of 1,943**)
- ◇ 2025: 8,470 (**increase of 653 from 2024; overall increase of 2,596 from 2023**)
These numbers reflect a significant increase in service demand, community engagement, and documentation workload, indicating higher overall activity levels and increased calls requiring police response and follow-up.

Summary

Overall, these statistics show relatively stable criminal and traffic crash trends, coupled with notable growth in calls for service and police documentation. This increase reflects rising service demands on the department and is an important factor in evaluating staffing, deployment, training, and long-term operational planning.

THANK YOU

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors and Residents of Douglass Township,

Once again, I look forward to the privilege of continuing to serve the citizens of Douglass Township and the Board of Supervisors. It remains an honor to work in partnership with Township leadership and the community to ensure public safety and effective police services.

The Douglass Township Police Department and I remain fully committed to being accessible, responsive, and available to the Board of Supervisors and the public whenever assistance is needed. We value transparency, collaboration, and open communication, and we stand ready to support the community in any capacity.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robert B. Evans
Chief of Police