

BVRPD Annual Report

Presented to the Buffalo Valley
Regional Police Commission

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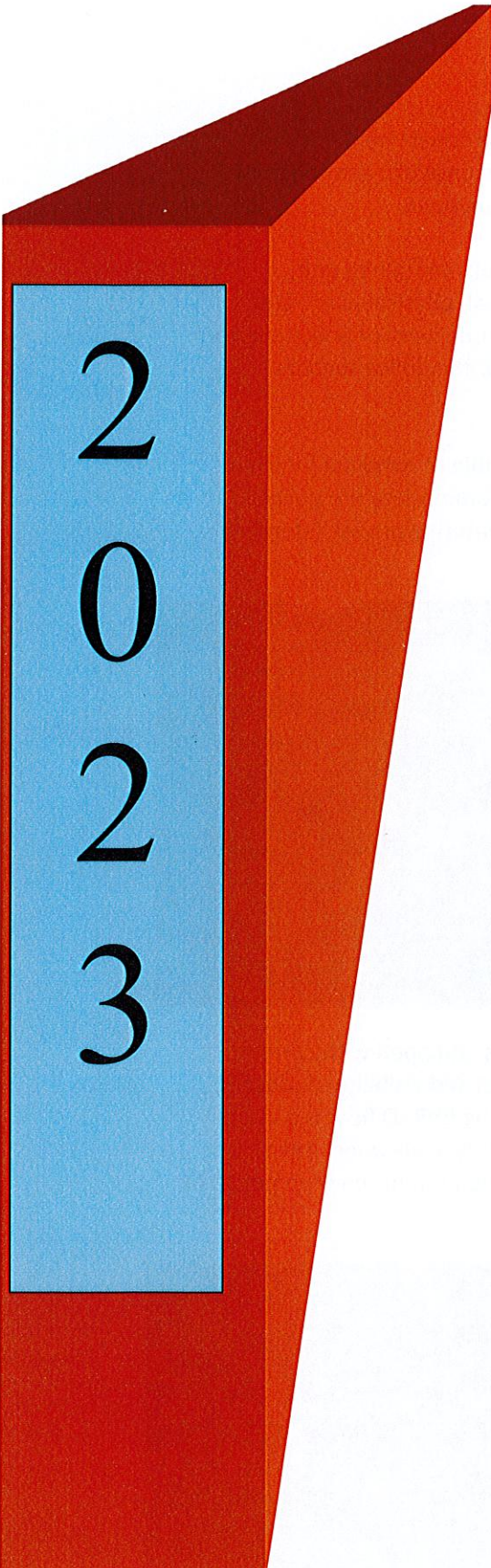
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This Reporting contains a description of the agency, scope of services, costs, and a summary of both the qualitative and quantitative analysis of policing services provided by the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department during the year 2023.

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Executive Summary

The Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department (BVRPD) has completed the twelfth (12th) year of agency operations. This has allowed for the collection of data that supports meaningful comparative analysis of activity and the agency's response to community police service needs.

This annual report is the best means of communicating this information to the public and elected officials of the performance, fiscal effectiveness, and development of agency capabilities for the delivery of high-quality police services.

This report details the BVRPD by an examination of the agency from a perspective of what we have done in the past year and explore where we hope to go in the future in the provision of high-quality police services and the expansion of our community partnerships.

We are hopeful in 2024 to again continue personal community outreach and interactions.

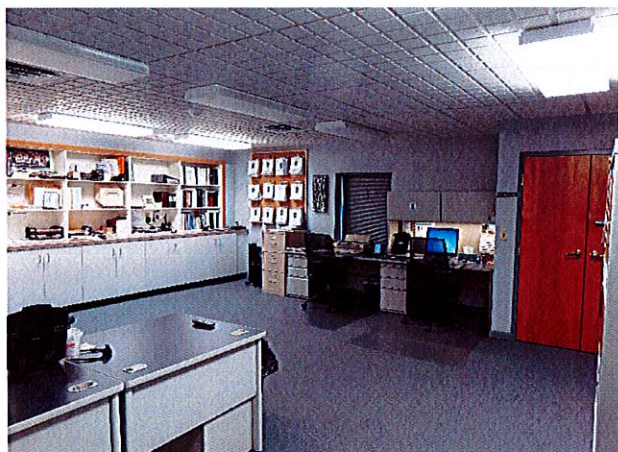
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Agency Descriptive Summary

The Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department (BVRPD) is a progressive police department consisting of Thirteen (13) sworn full time, two (2) part time Officers, and one unsworn administrative assistant that are responsible for the delivery of police and support service functions.

One of the most unique characteristics of the BVRPD is that the agency is a self-contained unit, responsible for the operations, administrative, budget, human resources, fiscal, physical plant, and review functions of the police organization. This structure assures all costs for delivery of police services are realized in the budget and fiscal process and eliminates “hidden costs” for the police services function.

The Agency is housed in a modern facility that is centrally located and is capable of handling future expansion of the BVRPD jurisdiction. The facility incorporates features to accommodate the police mission. The BVRPD police facility includes detention and process facilities featuring private interview rooms with recording capabilities.



The BVRPD utilizes a full range of marked and unmarked police fleet vehicles equipped with current technology to assist in the effective use of tools to maximize the police patrol and visibility of officers, while minimizing the time spent by officers away from the patrol function. The BVRPD fleet is a multi-purpose fleet of eight vehicles, six (6) of which are Sport Utility Vehicles that have all-wheel drive capabilities, to assure delivery of services in a wide variety of weather and topographic environments. In addition, the agency has a special purpose utility vehicle.



Legal Authority

To comprehend the delivery of police services in the regional policing context, the reader must understand that a legal basis exists for such an organization and how they are considered under the rules of the government in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Definition - Consolidation of police services require the abolishment of political subdivision boundaries for police services and the unification of existing police forces into one regional police department. The distinctive characteristic of this method of policing is that the operation of the police agency is outside the direct control of any one municipality. The police department operates under the guidance of a regional police commission consisting of elected or appointed officials from each of the participating municipalities.

The 2023 Commissioners were:

- Dr. Jack Malloy, Chairman, (East Buffalo Township)
- Justin Madaus, Vice-Chairman (East Buffalo Township)
- Janice Butler, Secretary (Lewisburg Borough)
- Char Grey, Treasurer (East Buffalo Township)
- Jordi Comas, Commissioner (Lewisburg Borough)
- Mayor Kendy Alvarez, Commissioner (Lewisburg Borough)
- Kathleen Evans, Alternate Commissioner (East Buffalo Township)
- Jamie Grobes, Alternate Commissioner (Lewisburg Borough)

Legal Authority for Police Consolidation - Section 5 of Article IX of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania serves as the legal and constitutional basis for consolidation of police services in the state. Section 5 of Article IX states: A municipality by act of its governing body may, or upon being required by initiative and referendum in the area affected shall, cooperate or agree in the exercise of any function, power, or responsibility with or delegate or transfer any function, power or responsibility to, one or more other governmental units including other municipalities or districts, the federal government, any other state, or its governmental units, or any newly created governmental unit.

Act 180, as passed by the General Assembly, and signed into law by the Governor on 7/12/76, serves as the enabling legislation that makes cooperation of public services in the Commonwealth a legal process. Contained in the Act are the provisions for initiating the cooperation and identification of the necessary contents of the agreement. Section 1202, clause 34 and 35 of the Borough Code; Section 1502, clause 53 and 54 of the First-Class Township Code; and Section 702, clause forty (40) of the Second-Class Township Code also bestow authority upon municipal governments to enter into agreements for the purpose of intergovernmental cooperation.

Under an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement, The BVRPD is governed by a body identified as the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Commission. This body consists of three members from each of the participating municipalities. Each municipality also has one alternate to the Commission Board. This provides for equal representation of each of the participating entities regardless of size, population, or number of police protection units purchased.

The Chief of Police reports directly to the BVRPD Commission and is responsible for providing accurate and timely reporting on the direction of the agency. This reporting is completed during the monthly meetings of the Commission and entails statistical, operational, municipal time tracking and fiscal reporting.

BVRPD Agency Mission

The mission statement is a brief statement that an organization uses to define the agency core values and mission it intends to accomplish and embrace as the members strive to deliver professional police services. The BVRPD operates in a team-based environment with a chain of command and an emphasis of problem solving and community service.

Mission Statement: *“The Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department is committed to the protection of life and the prevention of crime and disorder. With an emphasis on community policing, we will build partnerships and seek proactive approaches and innovative solutions to address crime and other safety issues in our community, which adversely affect our daily lives. Through prompt, efficient, and courteous service, we will strive towards our ultimate goal of creating a better quality of life for our citizens, visitors, and ourselves.”*

BVRPD Agency Values

- Pride
- Respect
- Integrity
- Service



BVRPD Structure

The Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department (BVRPD) is a full-service police agency as defined by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED). This requires that the law enforcement agency (LEA) has incorporated within the agency the following elements:

Patrol Function – Performing seamless coverage for police patrol services/ field services on a twenty four-hour basis, seven days a week, three hundred and sixty-five days a year.

Criminal Investigations Function – A dedicated criminal investigations function with agency members designated as being responsible for the follow up function of the investigation of crimes and offenses.

Records and Support Services Function – This is the records and information management and data services component of the agency. This function is responsible for information request fulfillments.

Administrative and Command Function – This function includes the management and direction of the agency from a command and executive function level. This means there is a requirement for the fiscal planning, budget administration, policy development, planning on both the strategic and tactical level and administration of the human resource function of the agency.

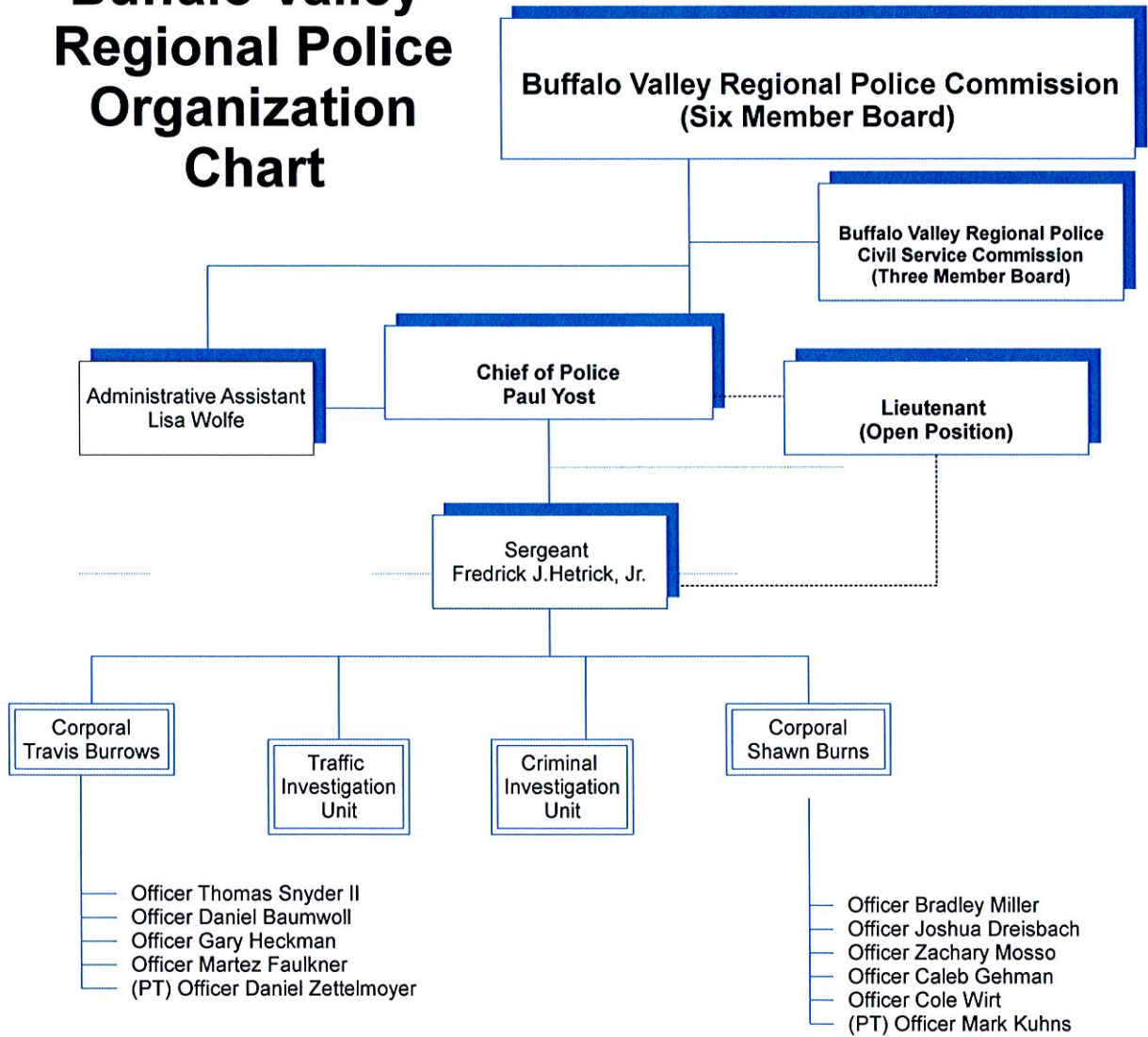
Police Protection Unit

The Police Protection Unit (PPU) is a concept by which various municipalities may purchase police services from the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department. A police protection unit is equivalent to 10 hours of police service per week. For example, one municipality may purchase two (2) police protection units (20 hours of police service per week). While another municipality purchases twenty-five (25) units (250 hours of police service per week). Each municipality also has 24-hour per day, 7-day per week response to complaints as well as preventive patrols. The municipality purchasing 250 hours will have constant coverage, i.e., officers available for response in their municipality 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. The other municipality purchasing 20 hours per week will have officers there mostly during predetermined hours of need; however, with the ability of an officer to respond to emergency calls on a 24 hour per day basis.

In 2022 the Department no longer tracks PPU's, the updated Intergovernmental Agreement has outlined a percentage based service charge. If another Municipality would have an interest in the Regional Police Services, an evaluation of police demand would be conducted and percentage cost or a PPU usage fee would be determined.

January 1, 2024

Buffalo Valley Regional Police Organization Chart



Support Services Unit

The BVRPD currently employs one full time civilian staff member, “Administrative Assistant” who is responsible for the administration of the records and office functions of the organization. The BVRPD business office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

Educational Support Services Unit

Officers provide support to the Lewisburg Area School District Police and additional security when requested to the Lewisburg Area School District. We continue to provide educational programs within the district when requested.

Animal Control Services

The BVRPD has relied on sub-contracted private service who were responsible for the animal control functions of the organization. The enforcement officer has resigned as of December 2023. When the animal complaints are received the BVRPD will respond and assist in the handling, making referrals as needed.

Field Services - Patrol Operations

Providing Emergency Police Response to the public in seamless coverage of patrol operations and field services on a year-round basis. Responding to and adjusting to meet the current service demands of the community.

Criminal Investigation Services

Provision for dedicated member(s) with advanced Criminal Investigative skills in the agency’s response to crime, its investigation and prosecution.

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement

The Department has one officer certified in Motor Carrier Enforcement. In 2023 the Department conducted 71 Safety Inspections of Commercial Motor Vehicles.

BVRPD Agency Members

(12-31-2023)

Status	Call Designator	Last Name	First Name	Department Position	Current Years' Service	Years' Law Enforcement Experience
Active	Bravo-4	Burrows	Travis	Corporal	33	33
Active	Bravo-9	Hetrick, Jr	Frederick	Sergeant	27	29
Active	Bravo-10	Burns	Shawn	Corporal	23	23
Active	Bravo-13	Snyder II	Thomas	Patrolman	22	24
Active	Bravo-15	Miller	Bradley	Patrolman	19	28
Active	Bravo-19	Baumwoll	Daniel	Patrolman	9	23
Active	Bravo-22	Heckman	Gary	Patrolman	8	28
Active	Bravo-26	Faulkner	Martez	Patrolman	7	7
Active	Bravo-23	Dreisbach	Joshua	Patrolman	5	10
Active	Bravo-28	Mosso	Zachary	Patrolman	3	3
Active	Bravo-29	Gehman	Caleb	Patrolman	2	2
Active	Bravo-31	Wirt	Cole	Patrolman	Probation	< 1
Part-Time						
Active	Bravo-14	Kuhns	Mark	Patrolman	19	31
Active	Bravo-24	Zettelmoeyer	Daniel	Patrolman	9	11
Administrative						
Active	Bravo-1	Yost	Paul	Chief	19	44
Civilian						
Active	N/A	Wolfe	Lisa K.	Administrative Assistant	12	21



Years Law Enforcement

- 44
- 33
- 31
- 29
- 28
- 28
- 24
- 23
- 23
- 11
- 10
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Total 297 Years' experience

This Chart depicts in total BVRPD police officer years of experience. The values were placed into the array and a median value was identified.

Specialized Training and Education of Agency Members

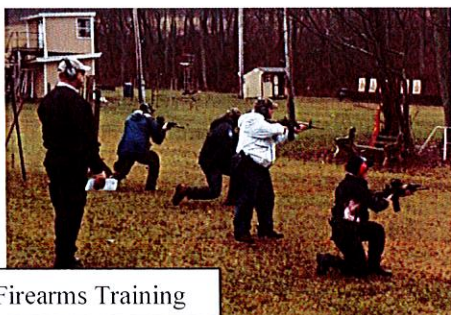
The BVRPD places an emphasis on the education and training of agency personnel. The BVRPD offers a full range of educational benefits to encourage employees to continue in the educational process. In addition to the formal education of agency members, the specialized training extends well beyond the mandatory update education and training component of Twelve (12) hours.

The BVRPD is an organization that recognizes that training on a frequent and regular basis is an absolute necessity to execute a professional police response to community needs. The BVRPD maintains officers with specialized training in the following law enforcement fields:

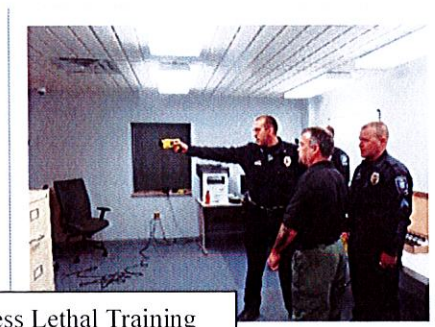
DUI Operator Identification	Firearms Instructors
Standardized Field Sobriety Testing	Less Lethal Force
Basic Crime Scene Processing	Death investigations
Advanced Crime Scene Processing	Advanced death investigations
Basic Crime Scene Photography	Child Abuse investigations
Latent fingerprint examination	Sexual Assault / Domestic investigations
Live Scan	Identity Theft
NIMS Training	School Safety & Resources
Basic crash investigation	Crash Reconstructionist I
Advanced crash investigation	Crash Reconstructionist II
Large Truck Enforcement (MCSAP)	Police Media Relations
Weapons Mass Destruction	Sexual abuse of children
CLEAN JTAC	SFST Instruction – Chemical Testing
Field Training Officer	Tactical Response Training
Southern Police Institute Command Training	Pennsylvania State University Supervisor & Advance Executive Training

Training & Career Development - Philosophy

The BVRPD understands the need to train officers beyond the minimal required standards as established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for basic training of certified police officers. The agencies' level of commitment extends beyond the minimal in-service annual training updates. The BVRPD adheres to the philosophy of providing officers meaningful training that will enhance both the career development of the officer and meeting the needs of the community for scope of police services being delivered. The BVRPD strongly believes that minimal training equates to minimal performance and sub-standard outcomes.



Firearms Training



Less Lethal Training

2023 Training & Career Development – Summary

All Officers completed their in-service training hours and were able to attend virtual training and in-person training. Required basic level of MPOETC updates and firearms training hours calculated at 480 hours, and over 467 hours of training provided in various other subject matter. The BVRPD continues to participate in the “Narcan” (drug response protocols) program requiring updated online training. BVRPD agency members attended training in 2023 in some of the following fields:

- MCSAP Updates
- Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving
- Report Writing
- Hazardous Materials Awareness
- Search Warrants
- Fleet Maintenance System
- Tint Meter Operator Course
- Investigating Overdose Homicides
- Lethal Assessment Training
- Crisis Training
- Basic Leader Course
- Fitness Testing Update
- Vspec, Stop-Watch, TDx (Speed Equip)
- Sexual Assault Symposium
- Laser Labs Tint Meter Operator
- Crisis Intervention Team Training
- Interview - Interrogation
- Law Enforcement Compassion Fatigue
- Survivor's Guilt in Law Enforcement
- Taser Energy Weapons Instructor
- Developing Effective Communications
- Vehicle Code Training
- Bomb Threat and Swatting Training
- DUI Conference (DRE Training)
- Tactical Communication
- Justice Network JNET Updates

BVRPD Policy Objectives

Police policies and procedures organize the daily work of a police department and provide guidance for officers' decision-making in the field. Courts and the public look to departmental policies and procedures to determine whether an officer's actions were lawful and appropriate. All the BVRPD policies have been reviewed revised and disseminated to the agency members since January 2014 and are current with revisions and memorandums of understanding. The BVRPD strives to be compliant with the best standards and practices of law enforcement agencies.

The BVRPD adheres to the practice of updating and drafting policies and procedures thoughtfully to encourage a law enforcement environment which meets community needs and withstands public and legal scrutiny. Policy reviews and formulation is an active and ongoing process. The process is critical to the professional development of officers to assure guidance and compliance with the most recent case law, legal standards, and best practices in risk management and complaint reduction.

In assessing appropriate objectives and priorities for police policy formulation and service delivery to local communities it should be recognized that most police agencies are currently given responsibility, by design or default, to:

- (a) Identify criminal offenders and criminal activity and, where appropriate, to apprehend offenders and participate in subsequent court proceedings;
- (b) Reduce the opportunities for the commission of crimes through preventive patrol and other measures;
- (c) Aid individuals who are in danger of physical harm;
- (d) Protect constitutional guarantees;
- (e) Facilitate the movement of people and vehicles;
- (f) Assist those who cannot care for themselves;
- (g) Resolve conflict;
- (h) Identify problems that are potentially serious law enforcement or governmental problems;
- (i) Create and maintain a feeling of security in the community;
- (j) Promote and preserve civil order; and
- (k) Provide other services on an emergency basis.

B V R P D I n f r a s t r u c t u r e

The BVRPD is based in a modern facility that incorporates existing technology required to house and support a modern police agency. We maintain a security video system (CCTV) providing visual security for our facilities. In addition, we have three (3) investigative audio video systems in the facility. These are used to enhance the investigative and evidence gathering capacities of BVRPD.

All patrol vehicles have been equipped with in-car video systems, capable of recording field service activities and will provide both officer safety as well as evidentiary tools and field activity accountability.

In 2021 early 2022 the Department initiated body worn cameras as an additional tool to assist Officers with investigations and provide video documentation of interactions with the community.

Patrol vehicles and the BVRPD Station are equipped with software (MACH) that allows interactive online communication with other area law enforcement agencies, and Central Dispatch.

BVRPD Firearms & Less than Lethal Force Upgrades

In fiscal year 2016 the BVRPD upgraded our less lethal weapons. This followed the upgrades in 2014 and 2015 to our agencies police shotguns, patrol rifles and handguns. This has further standardized our equipment needs in patrol applications and emergency responses under a wide variety of circumstances, with enhanced capabilities to provide greater user features for community and officer safety. In 2023 we continued upgrades with issuing new Sig Sauer P320 with red-dot sights. This provides officers with the latest in firearms technology.



Agency Technical Capabilities

In-Sync RMS - The BVRPD employs the use of technology to facilitate the police mission. As an essential part of this process all reporting and time tracking is conducted electronically using various computer-based systems. The BVRPD has a records management system (RMS) which is a professionally designed, engineered, tested, and supported commercially available system for modern police records management. This allows the officer to report directly to the agency server from the patrol cruisers which serves as the officer's office and workspace. This maximizes the time spent on patrol and minimizes the time spent obligated in non-patrol functions. This system has an automated download of calls for service data from the Central Dispatch 911 Center. All calls for service received by BVRPD are uploaded automatically to our RMS system.

The Department maintains and continues to upgrade our computer network, support systems and internet access. We continue to monitor our equipment and work closely with our contracted service providers.

E-Citations – Allows officers to issue citations in the field that are electronically uploaded to the Pennsylvania State Records System and to our records management system. This cuts down on the time involved with this process and lessens the chance for data entry errors. The system also allows for the electronic data scan entry of driver's license and vehicle registrations, eliminating manual entry of this data.

Live Scan – To assure the accurate processing of persons arrested for offenses, the BVRPD utilizes a Live Scan inkless fingerprinting system. This is a digital system that captures suspect's fingerprints and palm prints by digital means, and instantly submits the prints for identification and comparison purposes. Within moments the officer is provided a positive identification of the suspect and has a submission of prints for comparison purposes for wanted subjects, unknown subject prints, and for prints submitted for identification from other criminal investigations. This provides both the officer and the community a greater margin of safety by assuring wanted and dangerous subjects are identified properly at the time of arrest.

MOBILE ID Scan – Through a grant from the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police the BVRPD has obtained a RAPID-ID device which will allow officers to perform a fingerprint record – identification in the field.

CPIN – This is the digital photography component to the identification process and is interfaced with the Live Scan system as a part of the standardized booking process. This includes facial recognition capabilities, and the generation of photo arrays for identification of suspects.

CCTV – The BVRPD headquarters facility is equipped with embedded technology for digital capture of arrestees and officer interactions. This ensures officers and prisoners are captured in an accurate depiction of events and treatment of persons in custody.

Smart Keys – This allows the agency to provided levels of access to specific areas of the facility and tracks movement within the facility.

Fleet Tracking – The Department utilizes a fleet tracking system. The system allows for instant location of the patrol vehicle and recall capabilities of travel paths, average speed, and driver behavior analysis. The system also is instrumental in providing the BVRPD fleet managers with data to schedule service for the vehicles.



The BVRPD fleet is a multi-purpose fleet that currently includes a five (6) Sport Utility Vehicles that have all-wheel drive capabilities, to assure delivery of services in a wide variety of weather and topographic environments.



Police fleet management must be knowledgeable in the selection of high quality, reliable vehicles designed to meet the demands of police service delivery. This means the selected vehicle must provide room for equipment, room for the operator's and passenger's comfort, high safety margins, and easy access to technology, while remaining economic to own and operate. The cost consideration associated with the fleet includes the cost for technology installation or transfer, fuel, markings, after market safety – prisoner restraint devices, audible systems, radios, and visual warning systems as well as secure weapons storage systems.

Fleet Services

The BVRPD maintains a diverse fleet of patrol and specialized vehicles to accomplish our agency's mission. The patrol fleet consists of marked and unmarked units for the day-to-day patrol operational function. The Department averages 113,805 patrol / road miles a year.

Operational cost of the fleet varies depending on

vehicle purchase years and fuel price fluctuations. This chart provides a yearly cost comparison:

Year	Total Miles	Cost Mile with purchase price	Cost mile less vehicle purchase Price
2012	113,199	0.78	0.61
2013	197,775	0.66	0.29
2014	112,105	0.77	0.49
2015	104,513	0.83	0.53
2016	108,716	1.87	0.59
2017	108,072	1.88	0.60
2018	112,542	0.88	0.57
2019	120,871	0.90	0.56
2020	104,215	1.02	0.56
2021	90,910	0.66	0.66
2022	94,697	1.41	0.94
2023	98,056	1.79	0.90
Average	113,805.92	1.12	0.61

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Year	Veh. Cost	Fuel Cost	Maintenance	Auto Body	Insurance	Total	Less Purchase.
2012	19,756.00	31,724.00	10,694.00	298.00	11,740.00	74,212.00	54,456.00
2013	19,756.00	36,280.00	19,524.00	500.00	12,734.00	88,794.00	69,038.00
2014	73,574.00	31,317.00	12,353.00	1,500.00	12,139.00	130,883.00	57,309.00
2015	31,474.00	20,233.00	20,030.00	1,000.00	13,581.00	86,318.00	54,844.00
2016	31,474.65	23,136.66	14,177.19	4,429.13	13,581.00	86,798.63	55,323.98
2017	138,887.1	26,883.91	19,490.98	3,940.00	14,093.00	203,295.80	64,407.89
2018	34,399.00	35,821.34	12,035.56	3,081.15	13,596.00	98,933.05	64,534.05
2019	40,661.00	35,365.50	15,406.90	2,762.20	14,000.00	108,195.60	67,534.60
2020	47,687.00	27,844.00	16,028.00	0.00	14,800.00	106,359.00	58,672.00
2021	0.00	29,060.58	15,141.83	1,100.00	14,353.00	59,655.41	59,655.41
2022	44,280.00	45,585.67	22,535.99	4,827.09	15,836.00	133,064.75	88,784.75
2023	87,700.00	44,101.99	21,427.87	4,229.15	18,225.00	175,684.01	87,984.01
Total	569,649.56	343,251.66	198,845.32	27,666.72	168,678.00	1,176,509.24	694,559.68

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The BVRPD fleet is composed of the following vehicles as of 12/31/2023:

Designation	Manufacturer	Year	Model	Type
43 *	Dodge	2024	Durango	Marked
41 *	Dodge	2014	Durango	Marked
37 *	Dodge	2019	Charger	Marked
36 *	Ford	2014	Interceptor SUV	Ghost Marked
35 *	Dodge	2019	Charger	Un-Marked
34 *	Ford	2017	Interceptor SUV	Marked
33 *	Dodge	2022	Durango	Marked
31 *	Ford	2020	Interceptor SUV	Marked
26 **	Ford	1998	Braun Special Unit	Marked

** Denotes four (4) wheel drive.

* Denotes all-wheel drive.

Cost per Mile Service Cost and Repairs:

Car Number	Make	Model	Year	Last Repair Miles	Cost Repairs	Per Mile Cost
43	Dodge	Durango	2023	7,432	310.91	0.04
41	Dodge	Durango	2023	7,401	131.81	0.02
37	Dodge	Charger	2019	79,696	13,016.30	0.16
36	Ford	Interceptor SUV	2014	105,914	11,858.39	0.11
35	Dodge	Charger	2019	65,544	10,958.36	0.17
34	Ford	Interceptor SUV	2017	67,939	8,026.21	0.12
33	Dodge	Durango	2022	21,121	1,130.75	0.05
31	Ford	Interceptor SUV	2020	36,950	6,556.43	0.18

The BVRPD fleet management philosophy dictates that all fleet vehicles be maintained on a consistent schedule of care. This requires that mechanical, electrical, body, and other care providers for the fleet be maintained. The BVRPD has standards of appearance that require the fleet vehicles be maintained in a clean professional appearance for all occasions. Since the inception of the agency in 2012 a plan has been developed for the rotation of fleet vehicles into and out of the patrol fleet on a pre-planned basis. Embedded within the BVRPD fleet are (6) Sport Utility Vehicles with all-wheel drive. This provides an ability to respond to service demands over widely varying terrain and weather conditions.

BVRPD Human Resource Function

The BVRPD has the ability for members to access the schedule remotely via handheld devices and computers to schedule vacation leave time, sick leave, and other time off as provided by the current BVRPA agreement. In addition to this capability all scheduling is done by electronic means, with the inclusion of court time, training time, and other impacts on scheduling completed electronically and available for remote notice and recall. The agency, by its nature, has a higher rate of risk for both workers' compensation and health insurance claims. We continue our efforts at wellness and accident avoidance to hopefully provide a lower rate of costs and higher returns for the organization from our service care providers.

Risk Reduction

Supervisors of the BVRPD periodically conduct safety inspections. The safety and cleanliness of the BVRPD facility is of high priority. These ongoing efforts cannot be minimized, we value our employees and strive to provide a safe and healthy workplace environment.

Instruction & Professional Outreach

The Department has provided opportunities for members of the BVRPD to become engaged in speaking at conferences or participating in the instruction of other law enforcement and community members. This includes a wide variety of topical material to include both administrative and operational areas of instruction. In addition to instructor and speaker roles, BVRPD members participate on various committees and serve in other professional leadership roles.

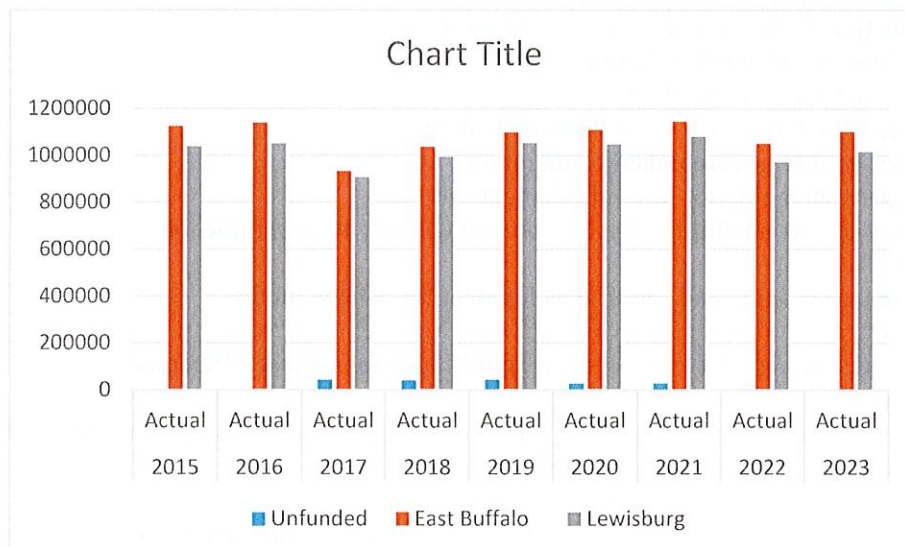
BVRPD 2022 Municipal Allocations

The BVRPD currently offers full police services to the communities of East Buffalo Township and Lewisburg Borough. The following were the cost allocation percentages by municipality.

Municipality	Current Percentage Cost Allocation
East Buffalo Township	52.00 %
Lewisburg Borough	48.00 %
Totals	100%

Municipal Service Cost Analysis 2 0 1 5 - 2 0 2 3

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual
		43,141	40,847	43,205	26,845	27,755		
1,124,482	1,137,552	931,409	1,035,420	1,096,648	1,108,078	1,142,479	1,049,379	1,101,073
1,037,984	1,050,046	907,145	994,226	1,052,782	1,047,621	1,080,146	970,793	1,016,375
		Funding Change EBT 50% LBG 48%					Returned EBT 52% LBG 48%	



In the negotiation phases of the formation of the Buffalo Valley Regional Police Department considerable time and effort was placed on cost analysis and future cost projections. At that time, a goal of five percent (5%) municipal service cost rate increases for the first five years of BVRPD operation was set. 2023 was our eleventh year of full operations. The amount of budget increase was 7.32%, with an average municipal cost for police service increase of .067% per year. This was due to early grant funds that assisted in offsetting operational costs. Other factors were reductions in operational and contracted personnel benefit costs.

Cost Containment Advantages of Regional Policing

In microeconomics, economies of scale are the cost advantages that enterprises obtain due to size, with cost per unit of output decreasing with increasing scale as fixed costs are spread out over more units of output. Often, operational efficiency is also greater with increasing scale, leading to lower variable cost as well. Economies of scale apply to a variety of organizational and business situations and at various levels, such as a business or manufacturing unit, plant, or an entire enterprise. This accounts for the stabilization and containment of costs associated with the administration of police services on a regional basis. The BVRPD has engaged in a series of budget review and pension oversight activities throughout the fiscal year, the results indicate a savings for the participating municipalities.

Advantages of Regional Policing

- Increased police service providing
- Increased police staffing levels.
- Increased specialization of services
- Focused police response to problem solving.
- Cost containment
- Budget Development and examination as an ongoing process
- Reduction / Elimination of duplicated services
- Uniformity and standardization of policy
- Increased use of technology
- Increased intergovernmental communication.
- Increased intergovernmental cooperation.
- Increased planning for law enforcement services
- Increased accountability of police service delivery to governmental officials
- Increased training and career development for officers in the agency
- Upgraded equipment and technical applications to increase officer safety margins.
- Increase interaction between BVRPD agency members and the community / public.
- Increased public outreach and media programming.
- Decreased risk exposure and agency risk factors.
- Increased administrative support and communication with member municipalities.

Administrative Areas of Specialization

The BVRPD employs a full time Administrative Assistant that reports directly to the Office of the Chief of Police. This professional is responsible for the execution of process as directed by the Chief of Police. This includes all aspects of accepted business and accounting practices consistent with best practices for both business and government.

- Full-time administration
- Full-time planning
- Policy Development
- Policy Review
- Risk Identification
- Risk Reduction
- Full-time professional staff support, such as clerical, personnel, fiscal, computer, etc.
- Computerized records keeping in following areas: Field operations such as Uniform Crime Reporting
- Citation control, Evidence control, Crime Analysis, Case Management, etc.
- Administrative operations such as budgeting, personnel, payroll, court liaison coordinator, and planning
- Command Services: Operations, investigations, in-field inspections
- Supervisory Services:
- Grant Application
- Grant Administration
- Grant Accountability Administration
- Payroll function
- Audit and accountability requirements
- Cost containment
- Strategic Planning

Measurable Activity

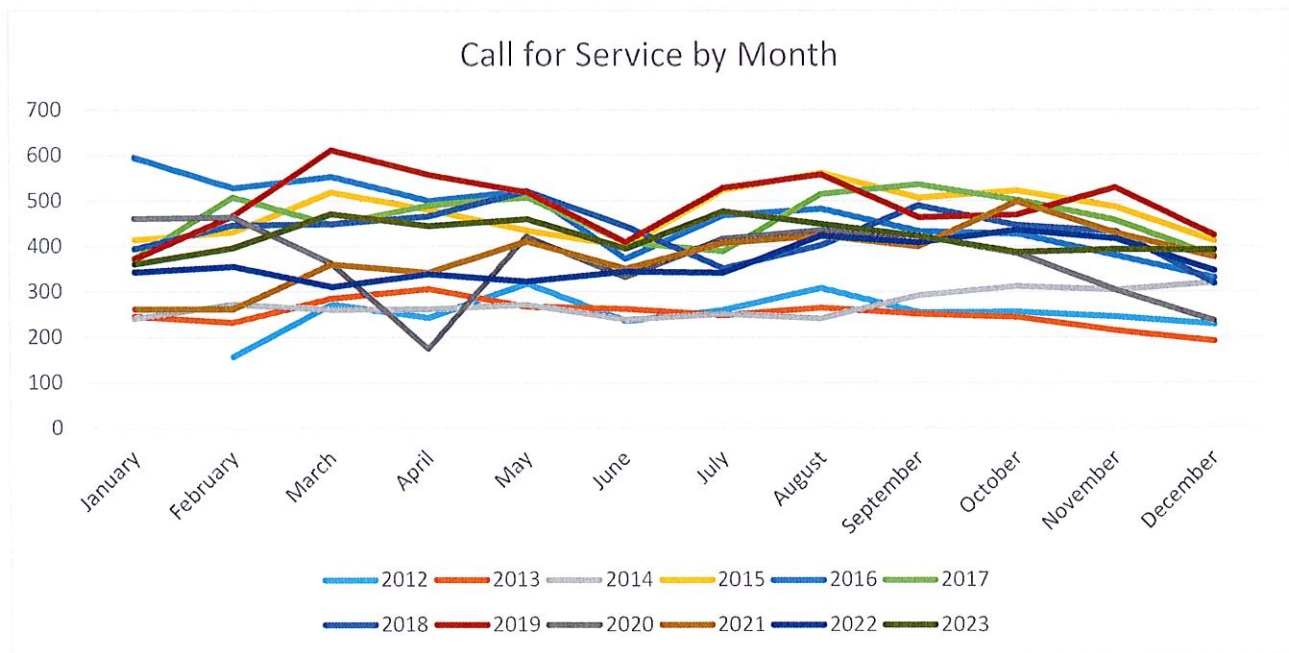
This portion of the annual report depicts the activities of the BVRPD for selected work measures. The comparison of data is a gauge of agency performance and provides benchmarks for use in future planning.

BVRPD County Incident Reporting (Calls for Service)

Calls For Service by Month												
	2012	2013	2014	2015**	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
January		245	241	414	595	374	394	372	461	262	343	361
February	157	232	273	431	528	508	446	466	464	262	355	396
March	273	285	261	518	553	448	449	611	362	360	311	471
April	243	306	262	480	500	490	466	557	175	342	339	445
May	318	267	271	434	522	508	521	519	421	410	323	460
June	236	262	239	401	373	409	444	409	332	350	345	395
July	260	248	251	523	468	389	351	528	417	407	342	477
August	308	264	241	561	482	515	402	557	435	423	423	449
September	254	251	292	506	433	536	489	463	423	399	408	422
October	256	244	312	522	427	501	446	469	385	498	436	387
November	245	214	304	486	379	457	432	528	304	429	417	393
December	229	191	320	411	331	378	318	424	236	376	346	392
Totals	2779	3009	3267	5687	5591	5513	5158	5903	4415	4518	4388	5048

** Denotes Change over year to Automated Central 911 Communications Center Call

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Calls for Police Services

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total	
East Buffalo Township	2,417	2,270	2,732	2,004	1,956	2,045	2,244	15,668	44.91%
Lewisburg Borough	2,776	2,666	2,792	1,983	2,163	1,989	2,247	16,616	47.63%
Other	321	368	379	427	399	353	357	2,604	7.46%
Total	5,514	5,304	5,903	4,414	4,518	4,387	4,848	34,888	

BVRPD County Incident Reporting (Calls for Service – Time of Day 2023)

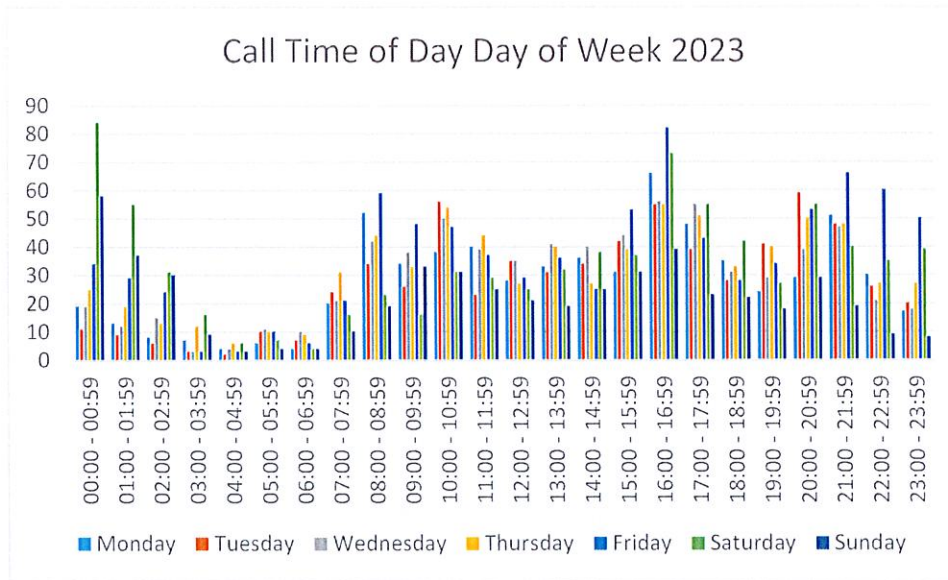
Calls by Time of Day and Day of Week From: 1/1/2023 To: 12/31/2023

Time of Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Total per Hour
00:00 - 00:59	19	11	19	25	34	84	58	250
01:00 - 01:59	13	9	12	19	29	55	37	174
02:00 - 02:59	8	6	15	13	24	31	30	127
03:00 - 03:59	7	3	3	12	3	16	9	53
04:00 - 04:59	4	2	4	6	3	6	3	28
05:00 - 05:59	6	10	11	10	10	7	4	58
06:00 - 06:59	4	7	10	9	6	4	4	44
07:00 - 07:59	20	24	21	31	21	16	10	143
08:00 - 08:59	52	34	42	44	59	23	19	273
09:00 - 09:59	34	26	38	33	48	16	33	228
10:00 - 10:59	38	56	50	54	47	31	31	307
11:00 - 11:59	40	23	39	44	37	29	25	237
12:00 - 12:59	28	35	35	27	29	25	21	200
13:00 - 13:59	33	31	41	40	36	32	19	232
14:00 - 14:59	36	34	40	27	25	38	25	225
15:00 - 15:59	31	42	44	39	53	37	31	277
16:00 - 16:59	66	55	56	55	82	73	39	426
17:00 - 17:59	48	39	55	51	43	55	23	314
18:00 - 18:59	35	28	31	33	28	42	22	219
19:00 - 19:59	24	41	29	40	34	27	18	213
20:00 - 20:59	29	59	39	50	53	55	29	314
21:00 - 21:59	51	48	47	48	66	40	19	319
22:00 - 22:59	30	26	21	27	60	35	9	208
23:00 - 23:59	17	20	18	27	50	39	8	179
Total per Day	673	669	720	764	880	816	526	5,048

Peak Hr.

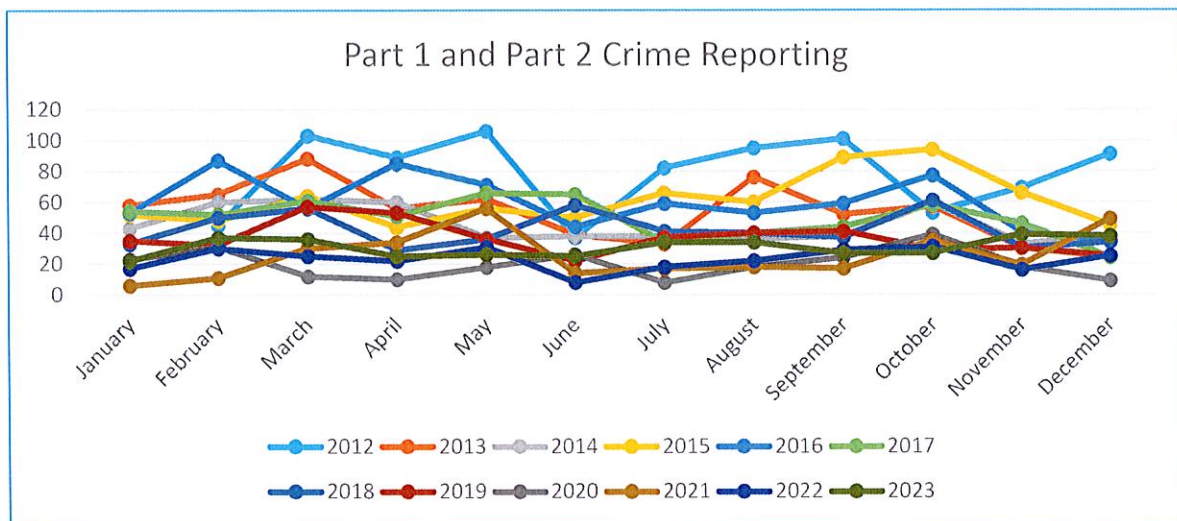
Peak Day

Peak Call >50
High Call >40



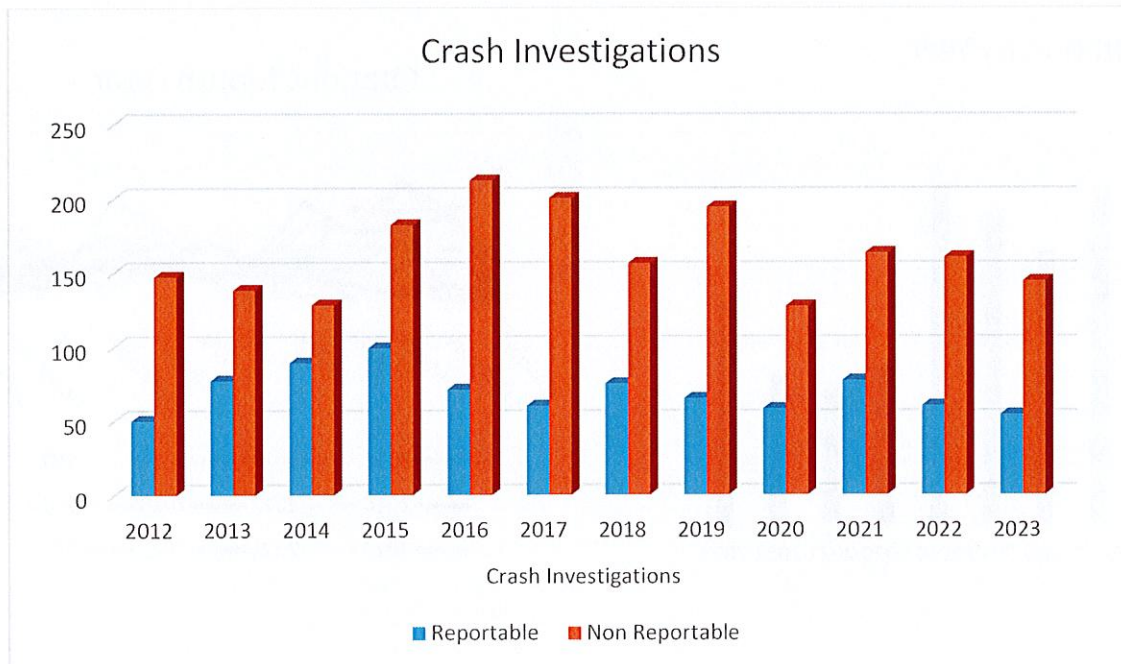
BVRPD Incident Reporting (Crime Incidents) Combined Part 1 and Part 2

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
January		58	43	52	53	54	33	35	23	6	17	22
February	45	65	60	48	87	52	50	32	31	11	30	37
March	103	88	62	64	56	61	56	57	12	30	25	36
April	89	56	60	44	85	51	29	53	10	34	22	25
May	106	62	37	56	71	66	36	36	18	56	31	26
June	37	39	38	50	44	65	58	22	26	14	8	25
July	82	33	38	66	59	34	41	37	8	17	18	34
August	95	76	36	60	53	40	40	40	18	18	22	34
September	101	52	38	89	59	44	37	41	24	17	29	27
October	53	57	59	94	77	58	61	29	39	35	31	27
November	69	30	33	66	40	46	30	30	18	19	16	39
December	91	24	38	45	35	24	34	25	9	49	25	38
Totals	871	640	542	734	719	595	505	437	236	306	274	370



BVRPD Incident Reporting (Vehicle Crashes)

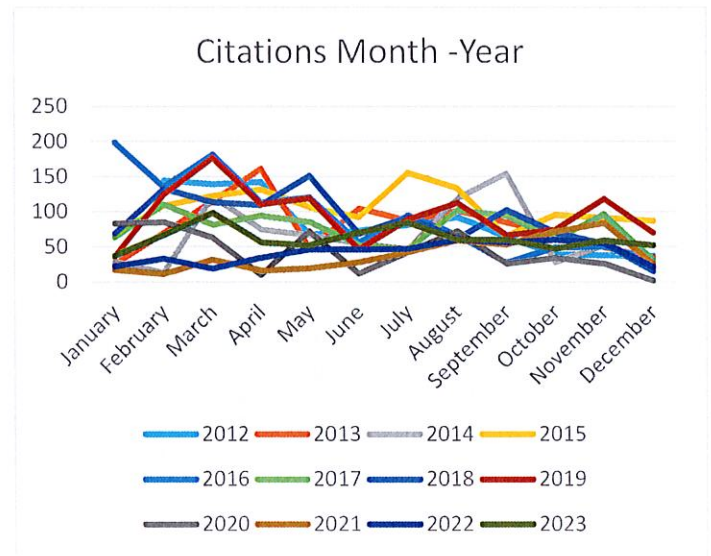
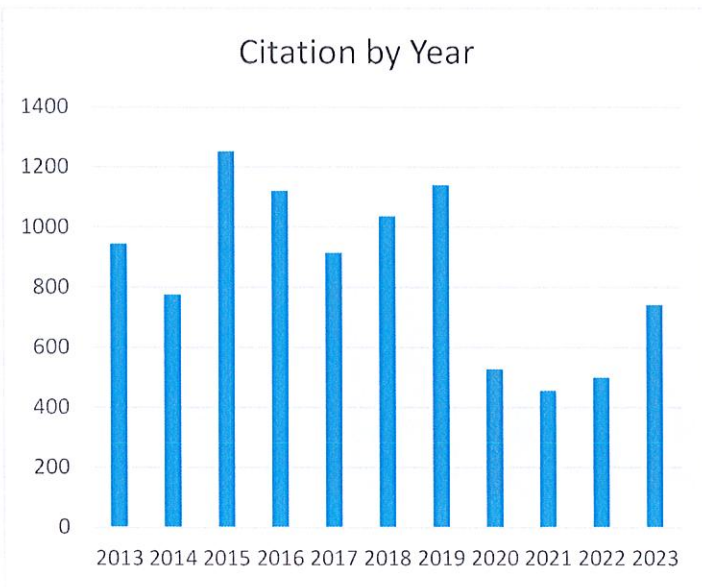
Crash Investigations		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Reportable		50	77	89	99	71	60	75	65	58	77	60	54
Non-Reportable		147	138	128	182	212	200	156	194	127	163	160	144
Totals		197	215	217	281	283	260	231	259	185	240	220	198



BVRPD Incident Reporting (Traffic Citations Issued)

Traffic Citations by Month

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
January		25	28	67	198	63	69	36	83	17	22	37
February	144	69	14	108	135	110	132	124	85	11	33	66
March	139	114	121	122	181	81	113	176	63	31	19	98
April	142	161	75	131	113	94	109	110	10	16	34	56
May	67	48	66	106	120	85	151	119	72	19	46	52
June	73	104	55	92	56	52	68	46	12	28	46	70
July	81	87	46	155	94	46	92	88	42	42	47	84
August	92	101	119	133	66	102	61	112	72	59	60	60
September	64	84	154	65	27	94	102	66	26	53	56	60
October	39	68	28	95	49	60	70	74	34	71	60	47
November	38	49	52	91	50	96	54	118	26	84	55	59
December	37	34	17	87	31	31	15	70	2	25	21	52
Totals	916	944	775	1252	1120	914	1036	1139	527	456	499	741

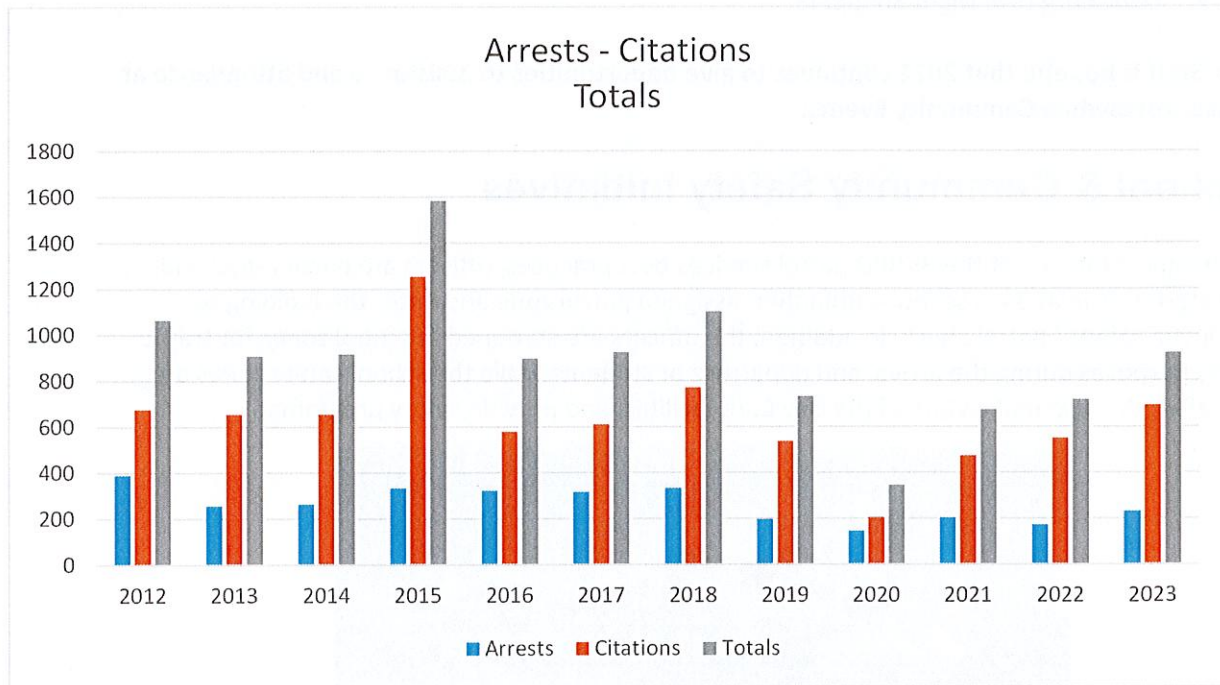


BVRPD Incident Reporting (Criminal Arrest- Summary Citations)

Criminal Arrest - Summary Citations												
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Arrests	389	255	263	332	321	315	332	195	144	201	170	230
Citations	675	654	654	1252	577	609	769	536	201	472	548	691
Totals	1064	909	917	1584	898	924	1101	731	345	673	718	921

Arrest Average: 262 per year per year

Average Criminal Citation: 636 per year



Public Outreach Initiatives

The BVRPD has a philosophy of being engaged in the community assisting and being available for appearances at community functions.

- Lewisburg Ice Festival Events
- Lewisburg Arts Festival Events
- Emergency Services Day
- Union County 4th July Celebration
- Buffalo Valley Recreation Events
- National Night Out
- Fall Festival
- School Bus Safety Day
- Girls on the Run
- Lewisburg Late Night Shoppers

Our Staff is hopeful that 2024 continues to give opportunities to assistance and attendance at these worthwhile Community Events.

School & Community Safety Initiatives

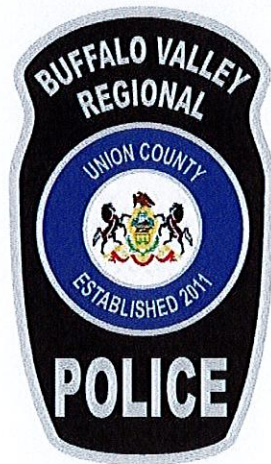
As an important part of the BVRPD patrol services best practices, officers are encouraged and expected to stop at each school within their assigned patrol zone and enter the building to conduct a safety / patrol check. In addition, the officers are stationed in school zones for traffic safety purposes during the arrival and departure of students while the school safety zones are activated. We also make visits of the Day Care facilities and provide safety programs.



Attachment A

Calls for Service by Type of Call

2023



ORI: PA0601100
Population: 14,400

Buffalo Valley Regional Police

Lewisburg, PA 17837
570-524-4302

Total Calls by Call Type From: 1/1/2023 To: 12/31/2023

Call Type	Total Calls
	1
<CHOOSE CALL>	1
911 ACCIDENTIAL CALL	35
911 HANG UP (UNFOUNDED)	3
911 HANG UP	73
911 OPEN LINE	67
ABANDONED VEHICLE	9
ACCIDENT - HIT & RUN	32
ACCIDENT - NO INJURY	64
ACCIDENT - PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLIST STRUCK	5
ACCIDENT - W/ INJURY	8
ACCIDENT (FATALITY)	1
ACCIDENT (NON REPORTABLE DUI)	1
ACCIDENT (NON REPORTABLE)	46
ACCIDENT (REPORTABLE DUI)	2
ACCIDENT (REPORTABLE)	25
ACT 64	3
ALARM (FALSE BUSINESS)	1
ALARM (FALSE, WEATHER RELATED, BUSINESS)	4
ALARM (OTHER)	1
ALARM OTHER	2
ALCOHOL (PUBLIC INTOXICATION)	9
ALCOHOL VIOLATION (OPEN CONTAINER)	6
ALCOHOL VIOLATION (UNDERAGE)	30
ALCOHOL VIOLATION	1
ALTERED MENTAL STATUS	1
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	19
ANIMAL ISSUE - FOUND,LOST,COMPLAINT	35
ASSAULT (PHYSICAL)	2
ASSAULT	8
ASSIST FIRE/EMS - (SPECIFY)	1
ASSIST FIRE/EMS	171
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY (BUCKNELL PUBLIC SAFETY)	2
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY (DOMESTIC/SEXUAL ASSAULT/STALKING)	1
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY (FIRE/EMS)	24
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY (OTHER)	2
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY (POLICE)	129
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	22
ASSIST PUBLIC	12
ATL	7
ATTEMPT TO LOCATE	6

Total Calls by Call Type From: 1/1/2023 To: 12/31/2023

Call Type	Total Calls
BAD CHECK	3
BOLO	102
BOMB THREAT	2
BURGLAR ALARM - COMMERCIAL	99
BURGLAR ALARM - RESIDENTIAL	26
BURGLARY (BUSINESS)	1
BURGLARY (RESIDENTIAL)	1
BURGLARY	6
CHECK WELFARE (PERSON)	2
CHECK WELFARE	2
CHILD ABUSE	8
CHILD LINE	14
COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION	72
COMPLAINT	8
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF (ALL OTHERS)	1
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	31
DETAIL (TRAFFIC STUDY/SPEED TRAILER)	1
DISABLED VEHICLE	14
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	18
DISPUTE - (NEIGHBOR, CUSTODY, PROPERTY, FAMILY, CIVIL)	19
DISPUTE - CIVIL	15
DISPUTE - FAMILY	4
DISPUTE CHILD CUSTODY	3
DISPUTE FAMILY	2
DISPUTE- NEIGHBOR	11
DISPUTE	5
DISTURBANCE	42
DOMESTIC - IN PROGRESS	28
DOMESTIC - NOT IN PROGRESS	9
DOMESTIC (ARREST)	1
DOMESTIC (NON ARREST)	4
DOMESTIC	2
DRUG LAW VIOLATION	2
DRUG VIOLATION / FOUND	2
DUI	4
ESCORT - (FUNERAL, PARADE, MONEY, WIDE-LOAD)	2
FALSE REPORTS	2
FALSE/CHECK IDENTIFICATION	37
FIGHT - NO WEAPONS	3
FIGHT - NOT IN PROGRESS	2
FIGHT IN PROGRESS	1
FINGERPRINT	3
FOOT PATROL	21
FRAUD - (FAKE I.D, FRAUDULANT CALLS, BAD CHECKS, FORGERY)	56

Total Calls by Call Type From: 1/1/2023 To: 12/31/2023

Call Type	Total Calls
FRAUD	40
HARASSMENT BY COMMUNICATION	9
HARASSMENT	34
HOUSE CHECK - PROBATION	1
INFORMATION	98
INTOXICATED PERSON	8
INVESTIGATION - (SPECIFY)	2
INVESTIGATION	8
JUVENILE ISSUE	15
JUVENILE PROBLEM	5
LIFT ASSIST	1
LITTERING	3
LOCK OUT - (VEHICLE, BUILDING)	21
MEDICAL ALARM	1
MEDICAL	1
MEGANS LAW REGISTRATION/CHANGE	2
MHMR	35
MISSING PERSON - (ADULT / JUVENILE)	16
MISSING PERSON	2
MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATION	1
MOTORIST ASSIST	39
MOTORIST LOCKOUT	12
MVA NO INJURY	2
NCIC	2
NOISE COMPLAINT	73
OPEN DOOR	9
ORDINANCE (DISORDERLY GATHERING)	24
ORDINANCE VIOLATION	18
OVERDOSE	5
PANIC ALARM	5
PARKING COMPLAINT	160
PEDESTRIAN STOP	17
PFA VIOLATION	8
PFA	12
PHONE CALL REQUEST	188
POLICE INFORMATION	65
PRISONER TRANSPORT	2
PROPERTY (FOUND)	18
PROPERTY (LOST)	6
PROPERTY DAMAGED	9
PROPERTY FOUND	11
PROPERTY ISSUE - (FOUND, LOST, DAMAGED)	28
PROPERTY LOST	4
PROPERTY RECOVERED	1

Total Calls by Call Type From: 1/1/2023 To: 12/31/2023

Call Type	Total Calls
PUBLIC SERVICE	11
PURSUIT - (VEHICLE, FOOT)	3
PURSUIT	1
RECKLESS OPERATION	35
RECORD CHECK	1
REPO	12
RESCUE ASSIGNMENT	1
ROAD HAZARD / CLOSURE	8
ROAD HAZARD	19
ROADWAY FLOODING	3
RUNAWAY JUVENILE	2
SERVICE CALL	3
SEX CRIMES	5
SEX OFFENSES	3
SHOTS HEARD	1
SPECIAL EVENT DETAIL	1
STALKING	2
STOLEN VEHICLE	1
SUBPOENA SERVICE	21
SUICIDE - ATTEMPT / THREATS	17
SUICIDE - COMPLETED	1
SUICIDE THREAT	5
SUSPICIOUS (OTHER)	6
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY (PERSON)	37
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY (VEHICLE)	8
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCE	22
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES	103
SUSPICIOUS PACKAGE	3
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	49
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	39
TEST	1
THEFT - (AUTO, PROPERTY, RETAIL, SERVICES, OTHER)	36
THEFT (OTHER)	19
THEFT (RETAIL)	13
THEFT (UNAUTHORIZED USE)	1
THEFT (VEHICLE)	3
THEFT	27
THREATS	18
TRAFFIC COMPLAINT (ARREST)	8
TRAFFIC COMPLAINT (DUI ARREST)	4
TRAFFIC COMPLAINT (NO ARREST)	44
TRAFFIC CONTACT (ARREST)	595
TRAFFIC CONTACT (DUI ARREST)	15
TRAFFIC CONTACT (WARNING)	979

Total Calls by Call Type From: 1/1/2023 To: 12/31/2023

Call Type	Total Calls
TRAFFIC CONTROL / ISSUE	25
TRAFFIC CONTROL	10
TRAFFIC HAZARD (LIGHTS OUT, WIRES DOWN, DEBRIS ON ROADWAY ETC.)	3
TRAFFIC STOP	36
TRANSPORT - (PRISONER, COURT/ARRAIGNMENT, RELAY)	9
TREE DOWN	1
TRESPASS	2
TRESPASSING	10
UNKNOWN PROBLEM	1
UNRESPONSIVE PERSON	1
UNWANTED PERSON	22
VEHICLE (DISABLED)	4
VEHICLE (LOCKOUT)	17
VEHICLE (PARKING VIOLATION)	1
VEHICLE LOCKOUT - OCCUPIED	4
WANTED PERSON	27
WARRANT SERVICE	16
WELFARE CHECK	89

Total Calls: 5,048

