



# CHESTERFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

## MAY 2021 MONTHLY REPORT



On May 31st, Officers had the honor of celebrating Memorial Day with the citizens of Friendship Village. The special guest for the ceremony was World War II and Korean War Veteran, Gunnery Sergeant Bob Summers who is a resident there.



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The following report represents the work performed by the  
Chesterfield Police Department in May 2021.

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## DEPARTMENT WIDE STATISTICS

Events	Monthly Totals
Calls For Service	2172
Incident Reports Written	203
Custodial Arrests	54
Summons Issued in Lieu of Arrest	37
DWI	11
Traffic Citations	649
Warnings	657
Total Crashes	93
Fatality Crashes	0
Injury Crashes	16
Property Damage Crashes	77

### Deer Count

The Chesterfield Police Department routinely tracks deer related incidents including deer and vehicle collisions, as well as tagging deer carcasses when located on roadways to better evaluate their impact on the safety of the community.

Incident Type	May 2020	May 2021	YTD 2021
Vehicle Collisions	0	6	17
Other	1	2	4
Carcass Tags	1	3	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>30</b>

## BUREAU OF UNIFORMED PATROL

The Bureau of Uniformed Patrol is the largest bureau of the department, consisting of three Lieutenants, six Sergeants and thirty-six Police Officers. These officers provide a visible, uniformed presence within the community, 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. The bureau is responsible for responding to all calls for service; to include crimes in progress, crimes discovered, alarms sounding, traffic crashes and hazards, emotionally disturbed persons, and a myriad of other requests for service. In addition, officers perform preventative patrols of neighborhoods, businesses and parks to detect and deter criminal activity, as well as routinely conducting traffic enforcement to improve traffic safety. Several officers assigned to the bureau are cross trained as Crime Scene Officers whose responsibility is to seize evidence and process crime scenes for forensic evidence. A number of Chesterfield officers have received extensive training to be certified as Crisis Intervention Team officers, which enables them to provide acute and follow-up support to those experiencing a mental health crisis.

Calls For Service	2172	Open Garage Door Notifications	239
Self-Initiated	1201	Crime Scene Supplements Entered	46
Open Door Reports	16	Field Interview Reports Entered	22

### UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF FIREARM

A traffic stop on River Valley Court resulted in a 17-year-old St. Ann resident being arrested for drug paraphernalia and possession of an AR15 pistol with a 50 round fully loaded drum magazine. The juvenile was charged with a felony for the possession of the firearm and will be referred to the juvenile court.

### POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE & FLEEING ARREST

An officer was running stationary radar on northbound MO RT 141 near Olive Blvd and observed a vehicle traveling in excess of 80 MPH. Upon attempting to stop the vehicle, it accelerated to over 100 MPH, and the officer lost sight of it near our city limits. As the officer approached 364 in order to turn around for his return to our venue, motorists flagged him down and pointed out the suspect's vehicle which crashed into a cable barrier on the northeast side of the intersection. The officer approached the vehicle and the suspect fled on foot toward a wooded area. The officer pursued the suspect on foot and lost sight of him in a marsh. The officer quickly set up a perimeter with additional responding officers. A K-9 from Normandy PD responded and located the subject laying down in the tall grass in the marsh. A search incident to arrest revealed the suspect was concealing methamphetamine. He also had several felony warrants for crimes such as auto theft and drug possession. The subject was released for arrest by a neighboring agency due to the severity of his charges.

# TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT UNIT

The Bureau of Traffic Enforcement is responsible for the safety of Chesterfield's residents and visitors as they travel throughout the 244 miles of traffic-ways that wind throughout the 32 square miles of Chesterfield. Additionally, the Unit is charged with coordinating enforcement, safety and security for all special events, such as the annual Independence Day celebration, various runs, and other events held within the City. The Traffic Unit maintains primary responsibility for directed traffic enforcement, accident investigation and special event traffic management throughout the City of Chesterfield.

TOP CRASH LOCATIONS	
Boones Crossing between Chesterfield Airport Road and EB I-64 Ramp	4
Eatherton Road and Lions Head	3
Long/Wild Horse Creek Road and Kehrs Mill Road	3
Entire Clarkson/Olive Corridor	18
Total I-64	15

TOP TICKET LOCATIONS	
Olive and 141	58
I-64 and Boones Crossing	51
I-64 and Timberlake Manor Parkway	38
I-64 and Chesterfield Parkway East	34
I-64 and Chesterfield Parkway West	28
Entire Clarkson/Olive Corridor	76
Total I-64	225

- ⇒ Traffic Officers provided traffic control for the Parkway West High School Senior Parade on May 19<sup>th</sup>.
- ⇒ Traffic Officers provided traffic control for the City of Chesterfields GIS to deploy and retrieve traffic counters eight times in May.
- ⇒ Speed Detection Signs/Radar Trailers were deployed and retrieved 14 times during May.

## Priority Street Enforcement Activity

The Priority Street Traffic Enforcement program identifies numerous streets throughout the City where enhanced enforcement efforts are conducted. These streets are selected based on crash statistics and/or citizen complaints. The majority of these locations are within subdivisions where complaints of speeding and/or stop sign violations have been received. Officers assigned to the Traffic Enforcement Unit and the Bureau of Uniformed Patrol are expected to routinely monitor these locations and take enforcement action when necessary.

# of Streets	# of Times	# of days	Time Spent	Tickets	Warnings
34	204	30	112:18	57	73

## SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

The Special Enforcement Unit is responsible for handling all calls for service and providing a high level of uniformed visibility in all of the City's parks, walking trails and the four primary retail centers within the City Limits of Chesterfield.

Warrants Issued	6
Property Recovered	\$8,557.84
Park Patrol Hours	144:20

Arrests	24
Felony Charges	11
Misdemeanor Charges	29

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT

#### Recruit Training: "It's Not Over Till It's Over"

Congratulations, you're a Police Recruit who has just graduated from the Police Academy and are quite relieved to have all that training behind you, right? Wrong! The time has come to begin a new chapter in your police training. Known as "Field Training," newly graduated police officers now enter into a 9-week on the job training program, wherein they ride with select, specially trained senior officers known as Field Training Instructors. (FTIs) Where Academy training is more abstract and covers various aspects of police theory and practices, Field Training is directed toward agency policies, procedures as well as familiarizing the new officer with concerns specific to the area in which they will be working. These new officers are evaluated on a daily & weekly basis and ultimately meet with and are reviewed by the agency's Commanding Officers. Once released from the Field Training Program, new officers are authorized to ride by themselves and fully execute the duties of a police officer. All officers, whether new on the job or experienced continue to receive an annual training regiment designed to hone skills and update the officer on the most current law enforcement practices.

*The Chesterfield Police Department maintains a staff of eight "Field Training Instructors" who must maintain exceptional performance to retain their designations as FTIs.*

## SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

### RECOVERED STOLEN PROPERTY

SEU Officers investigated a Craigslist ad listing brand new tools priced well below their retail value. Officers conducted an undercover buy with the individual who listed the items which resulted in an arrest of a 32-year-old Ballwin resident for Possession of Stolen Property and Possession of Controlled Substance. Officers recovered over \$2,100 worth of stolen tools.

### RECOVERED STOLEN PROPERTY

A 32, 35, 36-year-old, all from St. Louis, stole over \$900 worth of tools from Lowes. While leaving the business, they proceeded to cause a vehicle collision. As Officers responded to the crash, the theft was discovered when the suspects attempted to move the items to the trunk before officers arrived. They also discarded an audible alarm security sensor on the roadway. The tools were recovered, returned to the victim store and warrants were applied on for all three suspects.

### TRESPASSING

A 35-year-old from Texas continued to return to the Amphitheater during a concert after being warned multiple times that she was banned from the venue for causing a disturbance. The female left and returned to the concert in various outfits and was eventually arrested for trespassing.



Officer Kaatmann with students during a bike ride to school organized to promote health and pass on his love of cycling.

# CLARKSON VALLEY

On May 1, 2017 the department entered into a contractual agreement with the neighboring City of Clarkson Valley to provide comprehensive police services; 24-hour uniform patrols, traffic enforcement, response to calls for service, court and meeting security and community engagement programs.

Police Activity Report			
Radio Calls	64	Self-Initiated	134
Reports			
Crime/Incident Reports	7	Alarms	5
Open Door	1	Open Garage Door Notifications	29
Crash Reports			
Injury	0	Non-Injury	0
Traffic Enforcement			
Moving	28	Non-Moving	11
Warnings	38	Parking Violations	0
Total (Tickets & Warnings)		77	
Arrests			
Felony	0	Misdemeanor	0
Fugitive	0	Summons Issued	2

**Crimes/Incidents Reported**

**Suicide** - 80-year-old resident took his life.

**Open Door** – Officer located an insecure door at Forest Hills Country Club (no crime).

**Mental Health Crisis** – Resident experienced a mental crisis.

## Marquette High School Reports

**Assault** – School Resource Officer investigated an assault wherein an SSD student stabbed another student with a pen. (superficial injury) Referred to Juvenile Detective.

**Possession of Controlled Substance** – Two students smelled of marijuana. A search of their vehicle by a school administrator located marijuana. Two summonses issued by SRO.

## Crestview Middle School Reports

**Misc. Incident** – School Resource Officer attempted to control an autistic student who was in crisis. SRO was assisted by school staff.

**Invasion of Privacy** – School Resource Officer investigated an invasion of privacy that occurred in the restroom. Case was Referred to the Juvenile Detective for follow up.

## BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

The Bureau of Criminal Investigations is responsible for the follow-up investigation of all active offenses. The Bureau has one detective assigned to all juvenile cases and one detective detached to the St. Louis County Drug Task Force. The Unit is also responsible for major crime scene management, electronic forensic examinations, intelligence information management and personnel background investigations.

Active Cases Assigned	68
Follow-Up Phone Call	7
Cases Cleared	1
Arrests	2
Summons Issued	0
Warrants Issued	5
Family Court Referrals	5
Recovered Property	\$186,500
Initial Background Interviews	10
Background Investigations	0
Major Case Call-Outs	2

# BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

## STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLES RECOVERED

The Detective Bureau investigated three stolen auto reports in which all three cars were recovered resulting in over \$137,000 in property recovered.

## PASSING STOLEN CHECKS

In January, a business reported that checks were stolen from their mailbox and later cashed for \$4,800. Detectives investigated this crime and assisted the Postal Inspector in obtaining federal indictments on the responsible suspect.

## EMBEZZLEMENT

A Detective arrested and obtained a confession from a former employee of a local business who developed a scheme to steal from his employer.



On May 31st, Officers celebrated Memorial Day with residents at Friendship Village.

## COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

The Community Affairs Unit is responsible for all crime prevention, police community relations and youth-based programs and initiatives. The unit's programs include the DARE program, Safety Town, COPPS, code enforcement, citizen fingerprinting, speaker's bureau, Neighborhood Watch, child car seat installation program and coordinating the citizen police academy. The Department's Volunteers in Policing (VIP) program and the Chesterfield Police Explorer Post are also housed within the Community Affairs Unit.

Officers from the Police Community Affairs Unit completed the following work during the month:

- ⇒ Officers participated in a Fishing Derby on May 1st in coordination with the City's Parks Department
- ⇒ Initial meeting with New Covenant Church to discuss a working partnership between the congregation and the Department
- ⇒ Officer Kaatmann organized "Bike to School" days at his assigned elementary schools
- ⇒ 1 Birthday Drive-by parade, 2 High school graduation parades
- ⇒ Provided security for 1<sup>st</sup> in-person City Council meeting and Planning meeting

<b>Department Social Media</b>	
Monthly Total Facebook Posts	13
Number Reached (Facebook)	49,057
Monthly Total Tweets	13
Number of Tweet Impressions	16,189
All other social media posts	4

# SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

The School Resource Unit serves as resources and department liaisons at nineteen public and private schools located in Chesterfield and Clarkson Valley. The agency has ten full time officers assigned to the program. Six of the School Resource Officers (SROs) are individually assigned to the three public high schools and three public middle schools located in the two cities. The high school and middle school SRO programs are partially funded by the Parkway School District and the Rockwood School District representing one of the department’s many successful community partnerships. In recent years, the department has added four additional officers to the unit that serve a similar role in the City’s elementary schools, the Elementary SRO program (ESRO). These ESROs are assigned to seven public and six private elementary schools. Additionally, one ESRO is assigned to Logan College.

School Resource Officers	Totals
Classroom Instruction/Presentations	1
DARE Classes/Life Skills	0
School Events	25
School Meetings w/ Admin or Staff	7



On May 20th, Officer Putnam got to visit the pre-school students at Crouthers Academy on May 20th as part of their field day.

## CODE ENFORCEMENT

The Code Enforcement Unit is responsible for responding to complaints of nuisance violations, housing code violation and other quality of life issues that affect members of our community. The department's Code Enforcement Inspector works closely with offending property owners to abate the violation(s); however, legal remedies will be sought when those efforts fail. As noted in the table below, this unit is able to resolve the vast majority of violations, through voluntary compliance.

Total Complaints	62	No Violation	7
Letters Sent	55	Hearings	0
Abated	51	Summons Issued	0
Forwarded to Prosecutor	1	Community Inquiries	31

### DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHT

#### CAR SEAT INSTALLATIONS

The Chesterfield Police Department offers free car seat installations by a certified child passenger safety technician. This service provides citizens with the opportunity to have their child safety seats installed in their vehicles by specially trained police officers. The service also allows citizens to have their existing car seats checked for proper installation. The service is offered free of charge for citizens and is done by appointment. Citizens interested in scheduling an appointment should contact Officer Chad Meyer at 636.537.6769 , email at [cmeyer@chesterfield.mo.us](mailto:cmeyer@chesterfield.mo.us), or Officer Tom Huesgen at 636-537-6794, email at [thuesgen@chesterfield.mo.us](mailto:thuesgen@chesterfield.mo.us).

## RECORDS AND PROPERTY

The Bureau of Records and Property is responsible for record storage and release, the proper storage of evidence and property, fleet maintenance and administration of the department's in-car and body worn camera program.

New Cases Entered Into Computer Based Evidence Tracking System	98	
Items of Evidence Logged	243	
Total Bonds Processed	7	totaling \$3,350
Including Bonds Processed for Other Agencies	1	totaling \$300
Police Reports Released	117	
Telephone Calls– Incoming/Outgoing	3,339	



Officer Ramsey poses with a fawn while transporting her to a safer location.

## TRAINING & PERSONNEL

The Personnel and Training Unit directly assists the agency and the Police Personnel Board in the recruitment, hiring, and promotion of police department personnel, as well as the continuing education and training of the existing members of the agency. One member of the unit, a commissioned police officer, is currently detached to the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy where he serves as an academy instructor.

Hours of In-service Training	380
Hours of Academy Sponsored Training	80
Hours of Other Training	8
Hours of Police Legal Science Online Computer Training	108

### TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

- ⇒ All Officers completed their second quarter annual firearms training and qualifications. This training included taser qualifications which emphasized a transition to support side draw.
- ⇒ Three Officers attended Field Force Extraction training in the month of May. This training focuses on extracting subjects from civil disturbances and rescue operations.
- ⇒ Two Officers attended OC/Pepper Spray Instruction training at O'Fallon MO Police Department. Following this training, the two Officers are now certified to instruct proper use during in-service training at our Department.

### PERSONNEL

- ⇒ Sgt. Powell and Lt. Connelly visited Eastern Missouri Police Academy and presented to a full time recruit class.
- ⇒ Four sessions of written tests were administered for the position of Police Officer in May.
- ⇒ Seven candidates participated in written testing for the position of Lieutenant in May.

# CRIME REPORT

REPORTS	OFFENSES REPORTED CURRENT MONTH			TOTALS YEAR TO DATE		
	2020	2021	CHANGE	2020	2021	CHANGE
MURDER	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
NON-FORCIBLE RAPE	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
FORCIBLE RAPE	1	1	N/A	4	1	-
SEXUAL OFFENSE	0	2	+	4	11	+
ROBBERY	2	0	-	4	1	-
ASSAULT	11	15	+	58	51	-
<b>BURGLARY</b>						
RESIDENTIAL	1	4	+	14	15	+
COMMERCIAL	4	3	-	28	22	-
<b>LARCENY</b>						
FELONY	7	9	+	47	69	+
MISDEMEANOR	20	48	+	167	162	-
AUTO. THEFT	5	5	N/A	28	29	+
STOLEN MV RECOVERED IN CHF	0	0	N/A	2	2	N/A
STOLEN MV RECOVERED IN OTHER JURIS	3	5	+	19	22	+
ARSON	0	0	N/A	1	0	-
CHECKS/FRAUD	18	13	-	89	98	+
VANDALISM	2	2	N/A	12	27	+
DRUG VIOLATIONS	21	14	-	86	73	-
D.W.I.	7	11	+	41	41	N/A
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>+</b>
<b>ARREST</b>						
ADULT	104	91	-	621	623	+
JUVENILE	15	5	-	38	12	-
<b>TRAFFIC</b>						
VEH. ACCIDENTS	46	93	+	362	423	+
MVA FATALITIES	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
MVA INJURIES	12	16	+	73	86	+
TRAFFIC CITATIONS	264	620	+	2005	2441	+
WARNINGS ISSUED	289	665	+	2573	2848	+
PARKING SUMMONS	1	3	+	21	24	+
RADIO ASSIGNMENTS	3859	4698	+	19776	21344	+
ALARMS	65	94	+	373	365	-