

WELLINGTON POLICE ANNUAL REPORT 2017



2017

Tim Barfield, Chief of Police

The Village of Wellington covers a land area of 3.89 miles and has a population of approximately 4866. The mayor-council style government governs the village. As of December 31, 2017 there were 16 sworn officers, 7 dispatchers and 7 sworn auxiliary officers employed by the Police Department, which has an operating budget of

approximately \$1.2 million dollars. The department provides 24 hour Police protection to the village.

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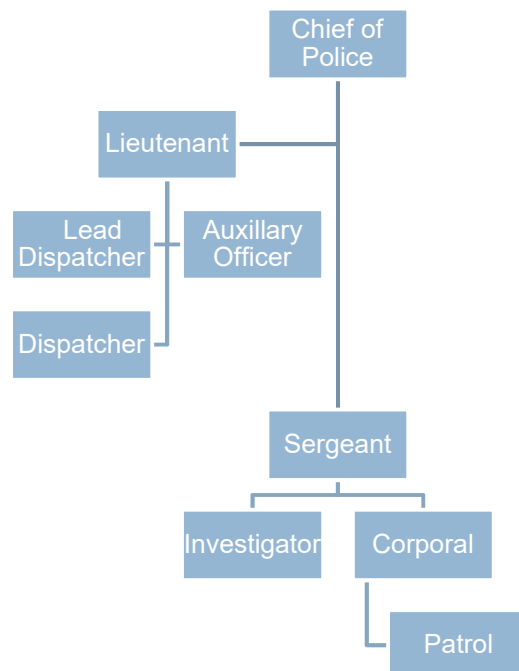
OUR MISSION

It is the mission of the Wellington Police Department to make our citizens and visitors feel safe and secure within our jurisdiction. While accomplishing this mission, we will strive to be courteous and helpful in our interactions with every person, understanding that we are here to serve the public and work in partnership with them.

This mission statement is carried out in our motto, "Justice, Compassion, and Humility"

Tim Barfield, Chief of Police

WELLINGTON POLICE DEAPRTMENT ORGANIZANTIONAL CHART



2017 PERSONNEL STRENGTH

Chief of Police	1
Lieutenant	1
Sergeant	1
Corporal	2
Investigator	1
Patrol Officer	10
Dispatcher	7
Auxiliary Officer	7

Commissioned officer staffing was 16 as of December 30, 2017, with one Officer in FTO training.

Commissioned Officer Staffing	2016	2017
Officers	18*	16*
Population	4846**	4866**
Officers Per Capita (1,000)	3.71	3.30

*December 2016 vs. December 2017

**US Census Estimate

Police Department Roll Call

Leadership	Chief T. Barfield	Lt. J. Shelton	Sgt. J. Poling
	Cpl. M. Perkins	Cpl. A. Smosny	Invest. R. Aviles
Patrolman	PtIm. W. Varner	PtIm. K. Provoznik	PtIm. S. Kneisel
	PtIm. G. Daher	PtIm. R. Wirkner	PtIm. R. Gulliford
PtIm. S. Kinas	PtIm. R. McClellan	PtIm. M. Mijangos	Ptlw. K. Chrosniak
Dispatch Communications	Lead Dispatcher S. Walker	Disp. L. Biskup	Disp. R. Hall
Disp. J. Gray	Disp. C. Weegmann	Disp. S. Gansor	Disp. J. Mahek

DIVISIONS

PATROL

The Patrol Division is comprised of one Sergeant, two Corporals and ten Patrol Officers. The Patrol Division provides services through the following units:

- Patrol
- Detective Bureau
(Investigations)
- OVI Task Force
- Temporary Holding Facility (THF) Jail
- Honor Guard
- Federal Opioid Task Force

The patrol unit is the largest component of the Police Department. The unit is responsible for responding to both emergency and non-emergency calls for service from the public, handling special assignments, and proactively addressing community concerns. Patrol

Officers are responsible for protection of life and property, helping maintain peace, order and safety to all, conducting preliminary investigations, and enforcing traffic and criminal laws.



CALLS FOR SERVICE

Reporting Period	2016	2017
Qrt. 1	1220	1643
Qrt. 2	1317	1580
Qrt. 3	1652	1650
Qrt. 4	1503	1742
Total	5692	6615

ASSIST OTHER AGENCY

Type	Qrt.1 2016	Qrt. 1 2017	Qrt. 2 2016	Qrt. 2 2017	Qrt. 3 2016	Qrt. 3 2017	Qrt. 4 2016	Qrt. 4 2017	Total 2016	Total 2017
Fire	0	5	1	1	3	11	2	4	6	21
EMS	0	8	0	18	10	13	8	10	18	40
All Others	18	12	17	16	18	18	17	10	70	56
Total	18	25	18	35	31	42	27	24	94	126

The patrol unit is responsible for traffic enforcement and crash investigations.

CRASH REPORTS

Type of Crash	Qrt. 1 2016	Qrt. 1 2017	Qrt. 2 2016	Qrt.2 2017	Qrt. 3 2016	Qrt. 3 2017	Qrt. 4 2016	Qrt. 4 2017	Total 2016	Total 2017
Crash Non Injury	10	15	14	21	19	19	15	12	58	67
Crash Injury	2	1	0	4	3	4	2	1	7	10
Crash Private Property	5	6	3	7	13	7	5	7	26	27
Crash Hit/Skip	0	5	2	2	0	2	1	5	3	14
Total	17	27	19	34	35	32	23	25	94	118

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

Citation Type	2017 Total
Traffic Citation	238
Written Warning	38
Summons (Misdemeanor)	47
Total	323

Officers continue to forge a partnership with the community and use problem solving skills, thereby forming a better partnership in solving problems within the community.

The Officers are the first responders to virtually all calls for service in the village. These calls range from the most mundane to the very serious and dangerous emergency situations.

DETECTIVE BUREAU

The Detective Bureau, which is staffed by the Detective and the Detective Sergeant, continued to maintain a commitment to provide the specialization of this unit to the citizens of the Village of Wellington throughout 2017. Close communication and maximum collaboration with our available resources provided us an opportunity to meet our communities' needs. Recovery of property, gathering of criminal intelligence and case preparation for cases going to trial is ongoing for this division. Members of this division participate with various task forces, as well as, State and Federal Agencies.

The village suffered 3 arson related cases in 2017. The detective continues to follow-up on all possible leads regarding the cases. The Detective and the Detective Sergeant continue to support the Patrol Division in the investigation of Uniform Crime Reporting Statistics (UCR) crimes.

Since 1930, the FBI has collected and compiled data to best depict total crime and to provide the most meaningful data to police agencies through the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program.



POV/Wagner Birdseed Arson

UCR OFFENSES

Type	Qrt. 1 2016	Qrt. 1 2017	Qrt. 2 2016	Qrt. 2 2017	Qrt. 3 2016	Qrt. 3 2017	Qrt. 4 2016	Qrt. 4 2017	Total 2016	Total 2017
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	2	3
Burglary	3	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	5	2
Breaking and Entering	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	2	0	7
Assault	6	3	4	2	3	2	6	3	19	10
MV Theft	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	1	2	6
Rape/Sex Offense	2	1	3	1	1	1	0	2	6	5
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Theft	18	16	10	7	19	27	15	15	62	65
Total	30	22	19	14	23	37	24	27	96	99

OVI TASK FORCE

This unit is led by the Lieutenant and is supported by two Corporals and three Patrol Officers. The OVI task force is a Lorain County collaboration. All members are sworn in as Special Deputies through the Lorain County Sheriff's Office.

This unit has participated in OVI checkpoints throughout the county, as well as two within the Village of Wellington. Members have run numerous saturation patrols during peak hours throughout fiscal 2017.

All funds and salaries for the OVI taskforce are provided by a grant to the county from the Ohio Department of Public Safety.



TRAINING

Each officer attended State of Ohio mandated training in the subjects of:

1. Trauma Informed Policing (6 Hours)
2. Practical Application of Force (4 Hours)
3. Procedural Justice (4 Hours)
4. Legal Update (2 Hours)

In addition to the state mandated training members of the police department attended training in excess of 822 hours for fiscal 2017. These training subjects included:

1. Report writing (2 Hours)
2. CPR and Fire Safety (2 Hours)
3. In service training through RELIAS (91 Hours)

TEMPORARY HOLDING FACILITY (THF) / JAIL

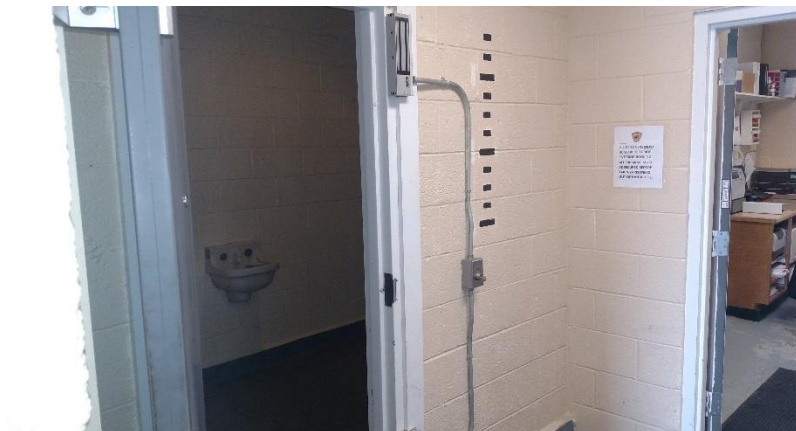
This unit is led by a Corporal, who is the Jail Administrator. The state sanctioned facility is a six hour holding facility which is comprised of Reception, Booking and Secured Holding Cell. All members of the agency are trained in the following disciplines to allow for the successful operation of the facility:

- First Aid
- Suicide Detection and Prevention
- Fire Detection and Suppression
- AED

Each member of the administration as well as the Patrol Unit is trained in the proper utilization of the THF Facility. The cell is both video and audio monitored. Arrestees are held for a maximum of six hours.

THF/ JAIL USAGE

	2016	2017
Juvenile	8	16
Adult	54	46
Total	62	62



DISPATCH / COMMUNICATIONS

This unit is led by the lead dispatcher and is staffed by seven dispatchers. The dispatch / communications unit handles all incoming calls as well as calls forwarded from 911. Dispatchers are responsible for dispatching officers to calls, as well as maintaining records. They're also responsible for helping callers remain calm enough to provide the information officer's and first responders need to understand the full scope of the situation.

2017 saw the full implementation of the NWS Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) software. This software is not only used by the Dispatch/Communications Unit to enter calls, but it is also the database for the Records Management System (RMS). The CAD and RMS Systems are utilized by leadership and officers to complete reports and retrieve statistical details of crimes.

Dispatch / Communications is also responsible for:

- Annual Records Disposal
- Compiling Monthly Reports
- Sunshine Law Requests
- Citation Collections
- Maintaining and Organizing Court Communications
- LEADS Coordination
- Subpoenas
- Records Management System– Quality Control
- Create Calls for Service
- Enter Warrants and Temporary Protection Orders
- Enter into LEADS Missing People
- Coordinate with other agencies for Arrests and Stolen Vehicles
- Assist members of the public when they enter the Police Department

INCOMING CALLS

	2016	2017
All Incoming Calls	22,290	32,284

*Call volume for August, 2017 averaged

ANIMAL CONTROL

In 2017 officers provided assistance to residents for many domestic and wildlife animal complaints, and responded to 193 animal related calls. 25 dogs were housed at the Police Department in the kennels. These dogs were housed for a short time, not exceeding 2-3 days.



HONOR GUARD

This unit is led by the Lieutenant and a Corporal. It is comprised of five members who represent the Village of Wellington and the department at official functions throughout the surrounding area. The members of this unit volunteer their time to train/attend functions. In 2017 this unit served as Honor Guard or Color Guard for two line of duty deaths of Ohio Police officers. The unit also was the Official Honor Guard of the 2017 Greater Cleveland Peace Officer Memorial Candlelight Vigil, as well as the Cleveland Indians Honor Guard during their Law Enforcement night. This unit is funded 100% through donations.



May 2017 Greater Cleveland Memorial



May 2017 Cleveland Indians Game

AUXILIARY

The Wellington Police Department Auxiliary unit is a group of dedicated individuals who volunteer their time and services to the police department and the citizens of Wellington. Overseen by the sworn police Lieutenant, the unit is comprised of seven (7) auxiliary officers. These members meet and train regularly to assist the department when needed. They can be seen in the community, providing security, directing traffic, and assisting the public.

In 2017, the Auxiliary unit logged a total of approximately 807 volunteer hours. This year also saw the retirement of longtime Auxiliary Captain Larry Querin, and the promotion of Lt. Kimbler to the rank of Captain.



Aux. Capt. Kimbler, Aux. Sgt. Weegmann and Aux. Sgt. Hughes

Auxiliary Roll Call

Aux. Captain R. Kimbler	Aux. Lt. C. Barfield	Aux. Sgt. C. Weegmann
Aux. Sgt. B. Hughes	Aux. Ofc. M. Potts	Aux. Ofc. M. Conley
Aux. Ofc. M. Schneider		

DEPARTMENT INITIATIVES / OUTREACH

Members of the Police Department participated in several community outreach programs in 2017.

Local Initiative Networking Compassion (LINC)

The Wellington Police Department, Wellington Fire District and the South Lorain County Ambulance District formed the Local Initiative Networking Compassion (LINC) in conjunction with local government, the Wellington School District, local churches and other volunteers to provide an outreach to addicts and their families who wish to seek treatment and help coping with their addiction. Those seeking assistance will be treated with compassion and connected with the help they need by walking into any of those locations and requesting help.

	2017
Number of Participants	35

Standing Guard at the Safety Forces Memorial

Each year on May 4th members of the Wellington Police Department stand sentry at the Wellington Safety Forces Memorial to commemorate our fallen.

- Marshall George Brenner *End of Watch* -July 17,1883
- Patrolman Edmund Smith *End of Watch* - May 4, 1957



Cpl. Matt Perkins and Aux. Captain Rick Kimbler

National Night Out

National Night Out is one of the Police Department's best opportunities to interact with the community. The event is held each year on Willard Memorial Square. The event features many police and safety forces related activities for families to enjoy, while enjoying free food.



Lorain County Blue Chili Cook-Off

The Lorain County Blue Foundation was created to assist Law Enforcement Officers who have been fatally wounded or critically injured in the line of duty. The goal is to build a stronger relationship between the police and the communities they serve.

Each year members of the department participate in the Pete Soto LOCO Blue Chili Cook-Off. This event raises money for the foundation which is a 501(C) 3. Each year our department has placed in the Top 4 of 25+ teams, and each year we have been awarded equipment that the agency can use.



Chief Barfield, Cpl. Smosny, Det. Aviles, Disp.

Baci, B.Aviles P. Aviles, A. Aviles, and S. Baci



Luke Barfield

Public Events



PtIm. Provoznik



Dispatcher Lanier and PtIm. Larson



Lt. Shelton and Chief Barfield

In the Community



Sgt. Poling at a community event



Ptlm. Kneisel



Investigator Aviles

Officer / Dispatcher of the Year

Each year the Wellington Police Department selects an Officer and Dispatcher of the year. This is awarded to the member of the department that have provided exceptional service the prior year.



Chief Barfield and Investigator Aviles



Chief Barfield and Lead Dispatcher Walker

Social Media

The Wellington Police Department uses Facebook as a means of communicating important information and interacting with the public and business community. The use of social media in law enforcement and community policing can provide many benefits including:

- Sharing crime alerts with the public
- Promoting public safety and awareness
- Interacting positively with the community
- Spreading information quickly to locate criminals or to find missing persons
- Notify the public of emergencies, or special events and programs
- Aid in crime prevention strategies and ongoing investigations
- Locate the families of dogs placed in our kennels



Thank-you for your Service...

In 2017 several members of the Wellington Police Department family resigned to pursue other opportunities. We thank them for their service and wish them well on their future endeavors.



PtIm. Ryan Garrison – Parma Police Department



PtIm. Jeb Larson – Elyria Police Department



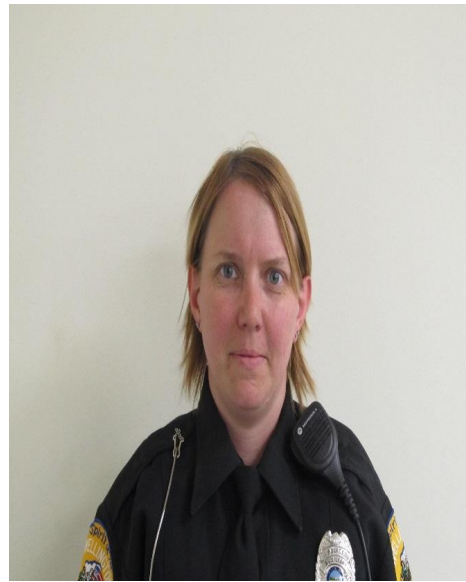
PtIm. Ryan Summerville – Lakewood Police Department



PtIm. Anthony Camera – Elyria Police Department



Dispatcher Garrabrant – North Ridgeville Police Department



Aux. Ofc. Bjork



Aux. Captain Larry Querin – Retirement

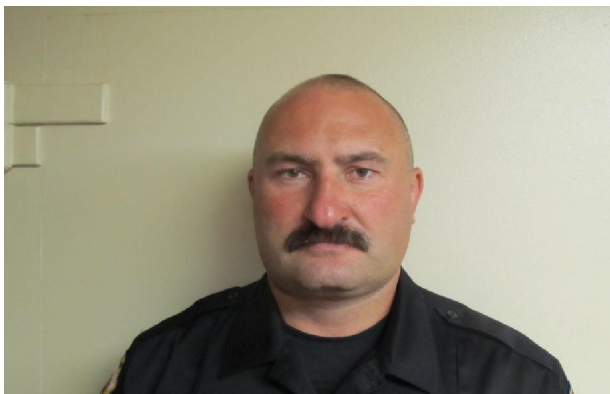
We Welcome...



PtIm. Gulliford



PtIm. Mijangos and Ptlw. Chrosniak



PtIm. Kinas

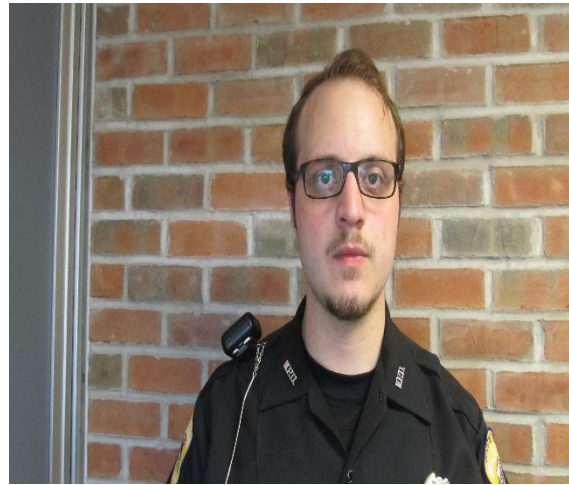


PtIm. McClellan

We Welcome...



Aux. Ofc. Neptune



Aux. Ofc. Petro

We Always Remember...



Dispatcher Rick Lanier passed away in September of this year. Rick spent many years serving Wellington Police Department and Southern Lorain County Ambulance District.

In the Line of Duty...



End of Watch May 4, 1957

Patrolman Edmund Smith was shot and killed while responding to a domestic disturbance. As he arrived, the suspect fled the scene and Patrolman Smith gave pursuit. The man stopped his car at Barker Street and Maple Street and exited his car. Patrolman Smith and the suspect exchanged shots but Patrolman Smith's gun jammed.

The man fatally shot the wounded officer as he tried to crawl back to his patrol car to radio for help. The suspect was sentenced to death and executed in 1959.

Patrolman Smith was survived by his wife and two daughters.

In the Line of Duty...



End of Watch July 7, 1884

Marshal George Brenner was shot and killed by an 18 year old suspect whom he attempted to stop and question on a local street shortly after midnight. Unbeknownst to Marshall Brenner the suspect, along with another youth, had just burglarized the nearby office of the Wheeling and Lake Erie Railroad Depot.

The suspect, who was apprehended a short time later, was convicted of second degree murder and sentenced to life in prison. He died in prison on March 23, 1895.

Marshal Brenner was a Civil War veteran.

"It is not how these officers died that made them heroes, it is how they lived."

Vivian Eney Cross, Survivor

"In valor there is hope."

Tacitus

"The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are as bold as a lion."

Proverbs 28:1

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Serving Wellington Since 1852



Village of Wellington

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