

Memorandum

To: Alfred D. Lott, City Manager
From: John K. Nesky, Chief of Police
Date: February 16, 2022
Subject: Council Update

Attached please find the information that will be reported to Council during the Police Department update on February 22nd. In addition to the attached reports, I will cover the following material.

Staffing	Authorized 67, Actual 64.
Outreach Efforts	Citizen's Police Academy, Drug Take Back April 30th, Coffee with a Cop, Chief Chat, IMPACT
Crime Trends	Theft from Auto, Increased Gun Activity
Other Topics	Speed Camera Update, House Bill 670

**City of Bowie Police Department
Calls for Service
2021**

	TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE HANDLED 2020 *	TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE HANDLED 2021*
JANUARY	3636	2680
FEBRUARY	3330	2200
MARCH	2907	3025
APRIL	2988	2929
MAY	3520	3127
JUNE	3734	3231
JULY	3408	2986
AUGUST	3104	2935
SEPTEMBER	3009	2583
OCTOBER	2972	2564
NOVEMBER	3091	2617
DECEMBER	2863	2409
TOTALS	38,562	33,286

*Includes Code Enforcement, Animal Control, & Park Ranger Calls.

**BOWIE POLICE DEPARTMENT
CRIME & CITATION STATISTICS
2007 – 2021**

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Residential Burglary Reports	79	216	194	192	166	155	115	95	121	88	62	50	35	31	32
Commercial Burglary Reports	38	43	42	20	19	21	39	4	18	37	13	33	17	37	16
Assault Reports	63	89	130	133	157	160	143	167	204	154	176	216	169	218	206
Auto Theft Reports	46	120	71	82	60	59	69	67	46	61	77	49	55	43	54
Robbery Reports	37	66	59	46	43	38	8	34	19	25	35	26	28	18	18
Theft Reports	471	613	762	875	589	709	664	643	500	575	606	686	759	560	592
Moving Violations	819 **	1279	4569	7679	6953	9523	12321	10292	10812	8554	11959	13331	15888	5742	4204
Photo Enforcement Citations	--	--	--	26125	108798	45770	28444	26452	23582	22416	19918	17228	14325	16278	20370
Police Calls for Service	--	24697	27589	20520	17991	16474	22226	22206	22356	20740	22818	39718	36287	31922	32438
Code, AC, etc. Calls for Service	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	6640	3900
Phone Calls Received by Call Center	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	33164	28217	27907

THEFT STATS: 2020 vs 2021

	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
	THEFT (MISC)	THEFT (MISC)	EMBEZZLEMENT	EMBEZZLEMENT	ID THEFT FRAUD FORGERY	ID THEFT FRAUD FORGERY	SHOP LIFTING	SHOP LIFTING	THEFT FROM AUTO	THEFT FROM AUTO	TOTAL	TOTAL
JAN	14	7	0	0	18	6	18	14	38	21	88	48
FEB	18	11	0	0	10	24	31	22	31	10	90	67
MAR	12	11	0	0	8	24	21	11	20	13	61	59
APRIL	9	12	0	0	8	18	7	7	23	13	47	50
MAY	13	7	0	0	3	26	7	13	16	15	39	61
JUNE	10	11	1	2	4	37	8	12	9	39	32	101
JULY	12	8	0	0	5	20	6	13	19	29	42	70
AUG	8	14	0	0	3	33	14	13	15	30	40	90
SEPT	8	26	0	1	5	12	29	14	15	29	57	82
OCT	14	18	0	0	7	17	28	19	7	21	56	75
NOV	8	10	0	1	9	7	17	18	9	27	43	63
DEC	6	12	0	0	8	20	23	21	12	24	49	77
TOTAL	132	147	1	4	88	244	209	177	214	271	644	843

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION SECTION (CIS)
2021 ACTIVITIES

CIS Stats

Total Crimes Assigned & Citizen Contacts	456
Closed by Arrest/Exceptionally/Unfounded	33
Open/Suspended/Active	423

*A Citizen Contact is defined as an interaction with a citizen complainant, primarily regarding incidents of theft, fraud and identity theft where there are minimal leads and/or suspects. Detectives assure the citizen that the Police Department is concerned about them and the community.

Property/Persons Crimes Totaled 456

- Closed by Arrest/Exceptionally/Unfounded – 7.2%

Status of 76 Assigned Cases with Solvability Factors:

- 28 Closed by Arrests (30 total suspects charged)
- 3 Unfounded
- 33 Suspended pending further information
- 9 Active/Open
- 2 Closed Exceptionally

Search and Seizure Warrants: 27

- Closure rate for total assigned cases YTD by arrest 36.8%

Calculation Process

For total YTD crimes closure, you divide the total cases closed (Arrests and Closed Exceptionally or Unfounded) by total cases.

$$26/63=43.4\%$$

For total assigned YTD crimes closed by arrest, you divide total cases closed by arrest/Closed Exceptionally by total assigned cases.

$$23/63= 36.8\%$$

Highlights (updated from 9/1/2021 to 12/31/2021):

RMS #21-0002962

Date: 12/27/2021

Incident: Carjacking

Lead Investigator: Detective Anika Howard

On December 27, 2021, at approximately 2315 hours, Det. Howard #076 and Bowie patrol units responded to the Exxon gas station at 3711 Crain Highway for a reported carjacking. Upon arrival, the victim stated that she drove up to a gas pump in her orange 2020 Chevy Equinox to get gas. She further explained that when she exited the vehicle, four men had approached her. Upon noticing the suspects closing in on her, she ran back to her vehicle. Before she could start her car, one of the suspects pulled her driver's side car door open and pulled her out of the vehicle. The victim stated that she tried to fight off the suspects, at which time one of the suspects said to her, "Don't make me kill you." Upon hearing this threat, she stopped fighting and the suspect threw her to the ground. The victim stated the suspects then entered her vehicle and fled the scene northbound on Crain Highway.

The suspects left behind a silver Honda CRV bearing a Virginia registration. When queried via several investigatory bases, it was determined that the Honda CRV was reported stolen out of Washington DC on 12/27/2021. On-Star was contacted about this incident and disengaged the victim's vehicle to prevent it from being driven any further. On-Star located the vehicle at a location in Northeast Washington, DC. The Honda CRV was recovered and transported by Ryon's Towing to Prince George's County ID Bay to be processed for evidence.

The victim was transported to the Bowie Police Department, where Det. Howard interviewed her. Det. Howard accompanied Evidence Technician Imperiale to Washington, DC and witnessed him process the recovered victim's vehicle. Latent fingerprints and DNA samples were obtained from the vehicle as the suspects were not wearing gloves during the incident.

During the course of this investigation, Det. Howard was contacted by Prince George's County Police and advised that the three suspects were involved in cases they were investigating and were currently in the custody of the Metropolitan Police Department for armed robbery and carjacking offenses. Det. Howard responded to Washington, DC Juvenile Detention where she was able to obtain their information and collect their clothes as evidence. The clothing they were wearing matched the clothing seen on surveillance footage during the carjacking.

Charges against three juvenile suspects for carjacking are currently being obtained.

RMS #21-0002318

Date: 10/13/2021

Incident: Attempt 1st Assault

Lead Investigator: Detective Harry Booth

On 10/13/21 at approximately 1617 hours, City of Bowie Police officers responded to 15209 Major Lansdale Blvd Bowie, MD for the report of an assault. Once on scene officers observed a male and female victim in a disheveled state. The male victim suffering from numerous lacerations to his upper and lower lip. He advised that he was struck multiple times with a closed fist which resulted in a shift in his jaw and dental structure, limiting the range of motion in his jaw. The female victim was observed suffering from multiple abrasions and swelling to the side of her face and large swollen areas to the back of her head, which she advised was causing a headache. Two witnesses advised that they arrived at the location with the male and female victims to fight with two known suspects. Once at the location they observed multiple suspects, at which time one began to scream "Get out the car!" When the two victims got out of the car a physical altercation ensued with the suspects. During the altercation, one of the suspects passed a semi-automatic handgun to a female suspect and she then pulled the slide back and aimed it at one of the witnesses and stated, "If you jump in all of you will die." The female suspect then used the handgun to repeatedly strike the female victim with the weapon in the back of her head causing her previously described injuries. While the female victim was being beaten with the handgun, the male victim was being struck with a closed fist in the head by the suspects, causing his previously described injuries. After the attack the suspects fled the scene in a red Hyundai Sonata. The suspects were all identified by the witnesses and provided pictures of the suspects from their social media pages to Det. Howard #076. Due to previous investigations, Det. Howard recognized two of the suspects in the provided photographs.

During the course of this investigation, Det. Booth and Howard responded to the 1600 block of Crofton Parkway in Crofton, MD (Anne Arundel County) and made contact with one of the female suspects at her residence. She was subsequently transported to the Bowie Police Department where she was mirandized and interviewed by Det. Howard. During the interview, the suspect admitted to being involved in the altercation at the Smokey Bones, however, she denied having any prior knowledge of a gun being involved and further stated that after the altercation she overheard people talking about someone having a gun. Additional pertinent information was obtained from the suspect referencing the identity of several of the suspects that were involved in the assault.

After a thorough investigation was completed, charges against all involved suspects were successfully obtained and a warrant for their arrest was issued.

RMS #21-0002530

Date: 11/5/2021

Incident: Commercial Breaking and Entering

Lead Investigator: Detective Francis Stevens

On 11/05/2021 at approximately 2336 hours, City of Bowie Police Officers responded to 4412 Mitchellville Road, Bowie, Maryland 20716 (My Eye Doctor) for a reported commercial alarm. Upon arrival they found forced entry to the front glass door of the business. The building was then checked by officers on scene who found a destroyed display case inside the business that contained assorted Versace glasses. The broken display case appeared to be ransacked. The store manager arrived on scene a short time later and advised officers that approximately \$3,149.47 worth of Versace glasses were stolen from the display case during the commercial breaking and entering. Det. Stevens #062 was assigned the case for investigatory follow up.

Det. Stevens worked with Det. Pugliese (Howard County Police Department) in reference to several other related commercial breaking and entering investigations. During the course of the investigation, Det. Stevens was able to develop a suspect. A signed pen register/trap and trace device search warrant for a T-Mobile cell phone number which was utilized by the suspect, as well as a signed GPS search warrant for his vehicle (Black Mitsubishi SUV) placed the suspect on scene of the breaking and entering at the time of the incident. Both search warrants were obtained by Det. Pugliese (Howard County Police Department) who provided Det. Stevens with copies as well as the findings of each search warrant. Det. Stevens located a public Instagram account belonging to the suspect which had a video of him displaying and attempting to sell several Versace glasses a few hours after the commercial breaking and entering at 4412 Mitchellville Road, Bowie, MD, 20716 on 11/05/2021.

On 11/11/2021 Det. Stevens responded to 4412 Mitchellville Road, Bowie, Maryland 20716 (My Eye Doctor) and met with a store employee. The employee viewed the suspect's Instagram post and identified the glasses in the video as the Versace glasses stolen in the Commercial Breaking and Entering on 11/05/2021.

Det. Stevens applied for charges against the suspect through the Prince George's County Court Commissioner who issued an arrest warrant on 11/19/2021. The arrest warrant for the suspect was issued for 2nd and 4th degree burglary as well as other related charges.

Bowie Police Department
Community Services Team (CST)
2021 Overview

- Attended 10 homeowners' association meetings in-person/Zoom
- Presented the Neighborhood Watch Program to HOAs
- Conducted 4 Residential and Business Surveys
- Updated our HOA/business database
- Participated in 20+ community and family fun events
- Participated in 8 Good Trouble Community/Police Discussion groups every Sunday via Zoom
- Completed several Bowie Police Parking lot tours
- Bowie Explores mentor program (**Actively Recruiting, classes started 10/13/21**)

Detailed to Patrol for Patrol Coverage and Training:

- January 20, 2021
- March 3-4, 2021
- March 15, 2021
- March 17, 2021
- March 25, 2021
- April 5-6, 2021
- April 16, 2021
- April 23, 2021
- May 5-6, 2021
- May 20, 2021
- May 27, 2021
- June 2-3, 2021
- June 17, 2021
- July 7-9, 2021, CST In-service
- July 28, 2021
- August 23, 2021
- September 1, 2021
- There are currently 2 Community Service officers still assigned to assist Patrol. This includes Cpl. Redmond, who has been serving as a Squad O.I.C.

Security Details, Nuisance Abatement Meetings/Hearings:

- Participated in 6-10 DPIE party issue meetings and County hearings.
- Two funeral traffic escort details

Highlighted Events

- Old Town Bowie United Methodist Church Family Fun Day (January 2, 2021)
- Special Olympics Polar Bear Plunge (January 21, 2021)
- Officer Eric Marshall remembrance Car Convey (February 21, 2021)
- Bowie Police Food Drive February 22- April 30, 2021
- Grab and Go Event at Bowie Senior Center (February 26, 2021)
- Birthday drive-by Celebration (February 17, 2021)
- Big Lots supply donation (March 18, 2021)
- Grab and Go Event (March 26, 2021)
- Crime and Safety presentation Evergreen Apartments (March 29, 2021)
- Governor's Green Apartments crime and safety presentation for management (March 30, 2021)
- Alta Vista apartments Crime and Safety presentation (March 30, 2021)
- Bowen Apartments Crime and Safety presentation (March 31, 2021)
- Governors Green Apartments Crime and Safety presentation (April 8, 2021)
- Coach Ashley School Supply Drive (April 11, 2021)
- Pin Oak Crime and Safety presentation (April 14, 2021)
- Prayer Rally at City Hall (April 17, 2021)
- Family Bike Ride (April 18, 2021)
- Prescription Drug Take Back (April 24, 2021) which yielded 1,000 pounds of prescription drugs
- Video Presentation for Pointer Ridge Elementary (April 28, 2021)
- Grab and Go Event (April 30, 2021)
- Family Bike Ride and Cookout (May 16, 2021)
- Pin Oak Crime and Safety presentation (May 18, 2021)
- Peace Rally (May 23, 2021)
- Grab and Go Event (May 25, 2021)
- Special Olympics Torch Run (June 9, 2021)
- Governors Green Crime and Safety presentation (June 15, 2021)
- Father's Day Bike Ride (June 20, 2021)
- Grab and Go Event (June 25, 2021)
- July 4 Fireworks Traffic Assignment (July 4, 2021)
- PGPDChief Welcome Event (July 19, 2021)
- Tall Oaks Ice Cream Social (July 24, 2021)
- Solar Project Ribbon Cutting (July 30, 2021)
- National Night Out (August 3, 2021)
- Coach Ashley Back to School Supply giveaway (August 8, 2021)
- Bowen Apartment Crime and Safety presentation (August 18, 2021)
- Bowie High School Back to School event (September 3, 2021)

- 9/11 Bowie Gym Event (September 11, 2021)
- OTB Festival (September 18, 2021)
- Coffee with a Cop (September 21, 2021)
- Bowie Senior Center Flu Shot event (September 25, 2021)
- Bowie International Festival (October 2, 2021)
- Coffee with a Cop (October 5, 2021)
- Citizen Police Academy began (October 5, 2021)
- Purple Bike Ride for Domestic Violence awareness (October 9, 2021)
- Drug Take Back (October 23, 2021)
- Veterans Day 5K Run (November 13, 2021)
- Shop with a Cop (December 12, 2021)

Year End Traffic Safety Report 2021

Department Totals

Total Crashes - 465 Total Injury Crashes - 93 Hit and Run Total - 145
Total DUI Crashes - 20 Property Damage Total - 373 Serious Crash Investigations - 2

Crashes by Time of Day

Total crashes between the hours of 12:00 AM and 11:00 AM - 148
Total crashes between the hours of 12:00 PM and 11:00 PM - 317

Crashes by Day of the Week

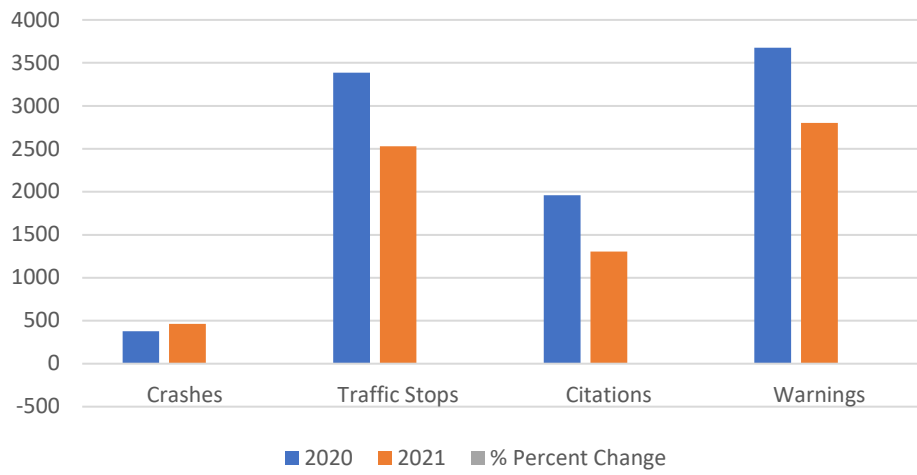
Monday - 65
Tuesday - 67
Wednesday - 60
Thursday - 68
Friday - 75
Saturday - 77
Sunday - 56

- Area of concern is the Route 197 corridor (Collington Rd and Laurel Bowie Rd) which accounted for 22.8% of all report crashes (106 crashes).

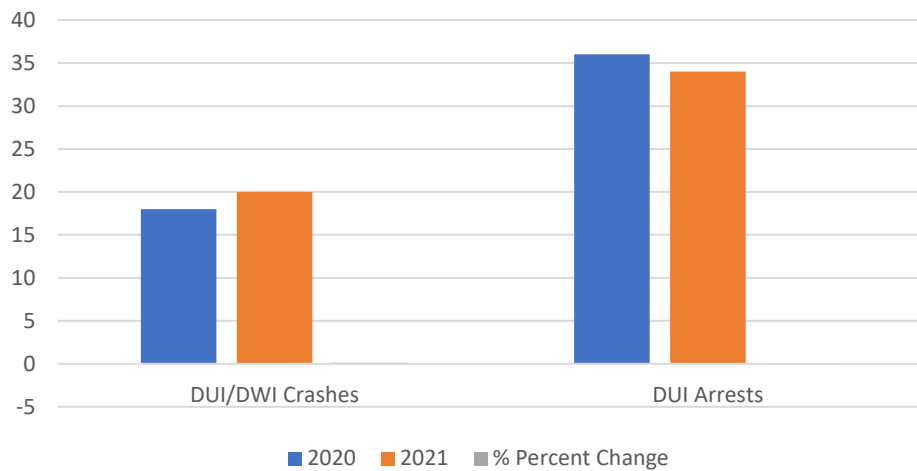
Department Traffic Stats

	2020	2021	% Change
Crashes	377	465	23.34%
Traffic Stops	3385	2531	-25.23%
DUI/DWI Crashes	18	20	11.11%
DUI Arrests	36	34	-5.56%
Citations	1960	1304	-33.47%
Warnings	3675	2802	-23.76%

Traffic Statistics 2020 vs 2021



Impaired Driving Statistics 2020 vs 2021



Traffic Safety Officer - 2021 Statistics

Traffic Stops - 530 DUI Arrests - 2
Citations - 566 Truck Inspections - 37
Warnings - 438 DRE Evaluations- 3
SEROS - 23 ACRS - 10
Criminal Reconstruction Crashes - 2 (investigations ongoing)
Departmental crash Investigations - 6
Traffic Complaints Investigated - 23
Grant Funded Traffic Details Supervised - 14

Additional Duties Performed (General Order 516)

- Throughout the year, all 28 speed measuring devices were maintained/calibrated/repared.
- All Department's chemical testing devices (5 PBT devices and 20 Blood kits) were calibrated/repared or re-ordered.
- Traffic Safety grants were pursued and maintained.
- The collection and analysis of traffic and crash data was performed with assistance from the Department's Crime analyst. (GIS crime Map)
- Delta Plus was maintained as the Department's Administrator
- The storage and issuance of traffic citations (DR-49) and DR15A was performed
- The deployment and maintenance of the speed trailers (2) and message boards (2) was performed.
- Administrative and supervisory responsibilities were performed for the Crash Reconstruction Unit.
- Traffic Control was planned and performed for several City and Department events
- Acted as the liaison with various traffic safety organizations and other Police Agencies (PGPD, MSP, SHA, Bowie Public Works, etc.)
- Maintained certifications for Drug Recognition Expert and Truck Inspector.
- Performed Traffic Safety Education both within and outside the Department:
 - 5 Emergency Vehicle Operations classes
 - 6 DUI/DWI SFSTs Police Academy classes
 - 4 DUI In-services classes
 - 2 Citizens Academy classes

Future Projects

- To continue and improve the collection of crash and traffic statistics to better implement and assist with selective enforcement.
- To complete the joint project of GIS crash data that will be added to the Crime Map maintained by the Crime Analyst.
- To continue and improve the deployment and utilization of the Crash Reconstruction Unit.
- Increase the number of truck inspectors on the Department
- Increase interest in the Drug Evaluation and Classification program (DRE)
- Increase the efforts of the Department in overall traffic safety/enforcement/education
- Inform the community about actions they can take to report and reduce traffic complaints

Traffic Safety Goals for 2022

- Increase General Traffic Enforcement
 - Statistics show that traffic enforcement Department wide dropped 25% from last year.
 - Statistics showed that the issuance of traffic citations decreased by 33% and the issuance of traffic warnings decreased by 23%
 - To achieve the goal its recommended to increase the use of selective enforcement by informing patrol supervisors of problematic areas and complaints as per GO516
 - Increase the use of joint enforcement efforts/details with allied agencies when possible.

- Decrease crashes City-Wide
 - Statistics show that crashes increased by 23% compared to last year
 - Statics showed that DUI/DWI Crashes increased by 11%
 - Statistics showed a decrease in DUI/DWI arrest
 - To achieve the goal its recommended that the Department increase its enforcement efforts department wide
 - Also recommended that the Department increases efforts for deterring impaired driving by enforcement and educational means.

**Bowie Police Department
Training Section
2021 Overview / Status Report**

- ❖ **Firearms Training - 130 hours:** To include rifle school, annual pistol qualification, Stress Course, annual rifle qualification, remedial training.
- ❖ **Firearms Maintenance - 32 hours:** To include maintenance, audits and inspections.
- ❖ **Training - 942 hours:** Tactical, Professional Development, In-Service training, and Specialized Training to include: Active Threat Training, MILO System (Judgmental), Mental Health for Officers, SFST Training, Taser, Felony Car Stops, School Resource Officer Certification Training, Police Explorer Advisor Training, Policing During Civil Unrest, Faith-Based outreach and Community involvement during Civil Unrest, Less-Lethal Certification and Re-Certification, Warrant Training, Police Cyclist Training, EVOC Refresher training, COVID-19 training, PPE Training, Implicit Bias Training, Tactical Emergency Care, EMT Re-Certification, De-Escalation Training, Vehicle Search and Concealment Training, Social Media Investigations, Search and Seizure, Crisis Intervention Training, Active Threat Table Top (Bowie Town Center-Security Staff), Current Drug Trends, Crime Scene Investigation Training, Vehicle Crash Investigations, Basic Instructor Course, K-9 training, Advance Roadside Interviews, CDU Deployment/ Standby, Critical Communication Training, Human Trafficking, Physical Agility, Interview & Interrogation Field Training Officer. **These trainings were accomplished with in-person and virtual training formats.*
- ❖ **S.T.A.R Team - 191 hours:** Active Threat Training, Tactical Movements, Firearms Training, Tactical Breaching, High Risk Warrant School, Basic Tactical Medical Instructor Training, Active Threat Management, Barricade/Hostage Negotiations.
 - S.T.A.R Team assisted in the execution of Search Warrants for Bowie CIS and the Maryland State Comptroller's Office Enforcement Unit.
 - S.T.A.R Team deployed 1/19/21 USCP Headquarters
- ❖ **Use of Force Review – 26 hours:** Review actions of officer safety issues or Use of Force Situations. Provided refresher training (as needed).