

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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ANNUAL REPORT 2017



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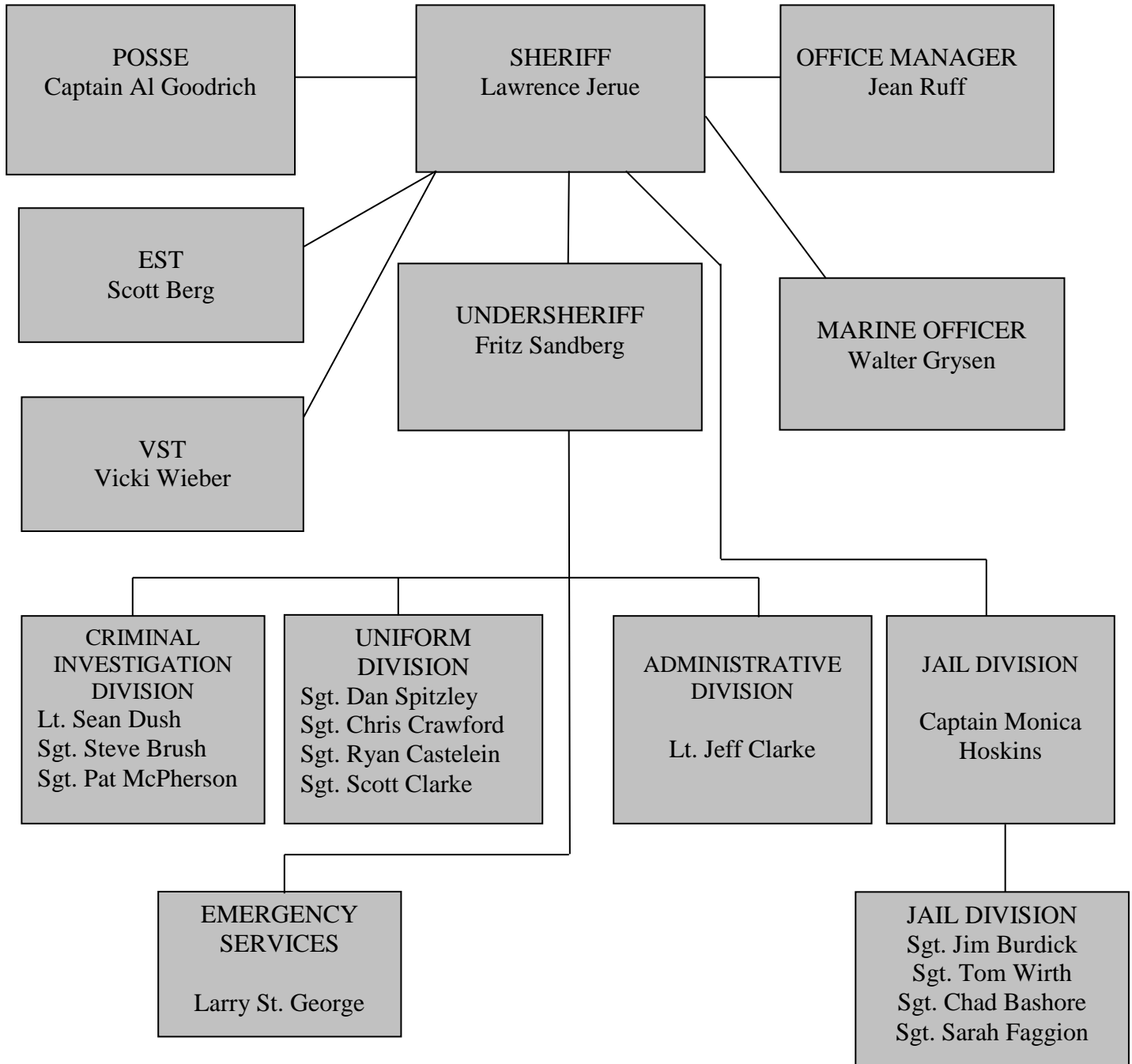
FOREWORD

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“The mission of the Clinton County Sheriff’s Office is to provide for the protection and preservation of public safety and property; and the effective and efficient operation of a secure and humane correctional facility.”

OFFICE OF CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF 2017



**TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS
2013-2017**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Traffic Citation	10,904	10,306	10,655	10,708	9,488
Verbal's	6,370	5,529	4,978	5,110	5,302
Traffic Stops	17,039	15,744	15,501	13,569	14,251
Drug Arrests	177	148	161	168	162
Driver Suspended	663	569	537	411	573
Drunk Driving	219	198	167	162	184
Seat Belts	182	123	86	123	118

**TRAFFIC CRASH STATISTICS
2013-2017**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Property Damage	568	548	561	438	547
Personal Injury Accident	142	147	113	737	132
Fatal Accidents	3	5	1	12	1
Car Deer	808	739	725	650	715

**COMPLAINT ACTIVITY
2013-2017**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Self-Initiated	22,148	19,538	20,358	21,795	23,071
Calls for Service	8,173	8,391	7,925	7,961	7,929
TOTAL	30,321	27,929	28,332	29,756	31,159
Written Reports	3,415	3,415	2,933	3,480	3,426

Violation of Controlled Substance Act Drug Arrests by Township 2017	
Bath	7
Bengal	1
Bingham	20
Dallas	3
DeWitt	45
Duplain	2
Eagle	23
Essex	0
Greenbush	8
Lebanon	2
Olive	15
Ovid	7
Riley	3
Victor	3
Watertown	23
Westphalia	2
Total	164

Drunk Driving Arrests By Township 2017	
Bath	5
Bengal	2
Bingham	19
Dallas	9
DeWitt	31
Duplain	8
Eagle	26
Essex	1
Greenbush	12
Lebanon	9
Olive	17
Ovid	13
Riley	3
Victor	8
Watertown	17
Westphalia	9
Total	189

**JAIL REVENUE
2013-2017**

	Actual 2013	Actual 2014	Actual 2015	Actual 2016	Actual 2017
Transport Inmates	1,328	1,599	747	1,282	1,601
Work Release Room & Board	5,150	4,700	12,825	7,600	4,925
CL CO Inmate Room & Board– Direct	490	0	0	835	0
CL CO Inmate Room & Board Mid-Michigan Credit Bureau	42,173	41,274	45,350	40,266	46,548
Lodge Prisoners	1,545,165	1,465,671	1,516,607	968,480	973,073
Jail Medical Reimburse – Direct	11,817	16,933	12,830	39,336	18,911
Jail Medical Reimburse – Mid Michigan Credit Bureau	353	1,332	2,566	418	73
Jail Inmate Telephone	60,863	56,829	38,356	43,626	135,679
TOTALS	1,667,339	1,588,338	1,629,281	1,101,843	1,180,810

**Other Revenue
2017**

Social Security Reimbursement for 2017	15,000
Bond Fee	245.00
Booking Fee	6,490

VICTIM SUPPORT TEAM

The Victim Support Team is a group of dedicated volunteers trained to assist Police Officers in dealing with victims to provide immediate crisis intervention in the event of sudden, unexpected death that occurs due to car crash, suicide, fire, homicide, illness, drowning, or other traumatic incidents. The Advocates strive to offer comfort, compassionate support and sympathy to the surviving family members.

Each member of the VST spent 20-hours over a weekend to learn how to lend support to the victims of violent crimes and also assist families during the initial crisis. They are available 24 hours a day to assist police agencies within Clinton County. The team is responsible for their program costs including cellular phones, pagers and vehicle expense. They receive minimal financial support from the County. The team meets on a monthly basis and is supported by Lt. Sean Dush who is the Liaison Officer from the Sheriff's Office assigned to address training needs, operational evaluation and other organizational concerns.

Clinton County Victim Support Team Members: Vicki Wieber—Coordinator, Advocates—Aaron Baker, Sonia Alagna, Richard Forysthe, Lenna Forsythe, Peggy Haviland, Mary Simison, James Sheldon, Peg Vining, Bob Pung, Evelyn Ritter and Patty McClelland, Nikki Auten, Terri Body, Chad Hallock, Cindy Pung and Ther Richardson.

VICTIM SUPPORT TEAM ACTIVITY SUMMARY

TYPE OF INCIDENTS	2017
Homicide	0
Kidnapping Assault	0
CSC	0
Breaking and Entering	0
Suicide	8
Domestic	0
Fatal Accidents	0
Personal Injury Accidents	0
Death Notifications	20
House Fires	1
Hospital Calls	0
Court Appearance	0
Other Police Departments	0
Total callouts	29
Time spent on callouts	195

Clinton County Sheriff's Office Mounted Division 2017

The Sheriff's Office Mounted Division is a group of volunteers whose members are deputized by the Sheriff under special duty status with limited police powers and are available for call to duty at any time to assist with scheduled events, training exercises, and emergencies. The unit operates under a 501c3 non-profit status with the primary responsibilities of promoting the Office of the Sheriff, supporting law enforcement efforts in Clinton County, and upon the request of the Sheriff assisting our law enforcement mutual aid partner agencies. The Mounted Division meets monthly at the Sheriff's Office to discuss events and training needs. The Mounted Division is led by a member of the unit picked by the Sheriff with the rank of Captain and a Liaison from the Sheriff's Office sworn full time staff.

In 2017 the Mounted Division consisted of 27 members who were involved in 38 events and volunteered 3,518 hours of service in support of the Sheriff's Office. The Mounted Division provides a uniform presence at local high school football and basketball games, numerous parades and other events including Special Olympics, Relay for Life, Shop with a Cop, Fill a Cop Car in support of the local food bank, the Capital area School Safety Picnic and the Clinton County 4-H Fair.

The operating budget for the Mounted Division comes primarily from a country western show they host every year in October. They receive additional funds by way of donations given for some of the events they are involved with.

In January 2017, the Mounted Division sent three members to Washington DC to be a part of Michigan's Multi-Jurisdictional Mounted Police Drill Team and Color Guard. The three members from the Clinton County Mounted Division were part of a 23 rider team who participated in the Presidential Inauguration Day Parade at the Capitol. All expenses for the Clinton County members were paid for by themselves.





Clinton County Emergency Support Team 2017 Annual Report

The Clinton County Emergency Services Team (EST) (Formerly the Clinton County Special Rescue Team) is composed of 25 volunteer members. EST members are trained in several disciplines including:

- Ground Search and Rescue
- Incident/Scene Support
- Surface Water and Ice Rescue
- Search Management

EST responded to several requests for assistance and participated in multiple exercises throughout the county in 2017. Some of the exercises included: search and rescue, night search and rescue, search management, ice rescue and Special Operations Team negotiator drills and activations. EST also provided assistance to local emergency response agencies for various community outreach programs, which included deployment of the Incident Command Post and associated equipment.

This year, six members attended Search Manager Training at the Clinton County Sheriff's Office, instructed by Anthony Marzano. The training was very valuable and added skill sets to our search management capabilities. The training included detailed, in-depth instruction on inland search management principles and methodologies. A tabletop exercise was also conducted to test the skills learned in the class. As a result, our team has a functioning Search Management team. Our goals for 2018 include regular training sessions related to search management.

The EST command staff underwent changes in 2017. Rob Wooten stepped down as the team commander and Scott Berg was named his replacement. In 2018, EST will work to increase awareness among county first responders, continue to implement new Position Task Books, and provide additional training and exercise opportunities to further strengthen the capabilities offered by the team. Recruiting efforts will also be a priority for the team.

2017 EST Program Hours by Discipline

Discipline	Hours
Administration	100.25
Incident Support	119.25
Public Relations	151.25
Search and Rescue	63
Training	807.45
Total Hours	1241.2

2017 TRAINING

The Clinton County Sheriff's Office has in place a training program for all staff members to keep abreast of the changes taking place in the criminal justice field to enable them to perform their duties in meeting criminal justice standards and requirements.

Our three phase training program involves the following process:

1. **Sheriff's Office Core Training:** Training that is identified and developed using a Training Committee comprised of personnel from each division within the Sheriff's Office. An analysis of each job responsibility and duty is reviewed to identify the essential skills, knowledge and abilities required to perform their duties in an effective and efficient manner.
2. **Clinton County Law Enforcement Core Training:** Heads of each law enforcement agency in Clinton County working together to implement common training for the law enforcement officers in Clinton County. The concept to minimize training costs is met by utilizing trainers from each of the agencies to provide quality training, which is evaluated by the attendees and agency heads.
3. **Enhancement Training:** Additionally designated members of the Sheriff's Office are sent to courses that certify them as instructors on specific topics. Upon completion of their training they have the responsibility to provide instruction to other members of the Sheriff's Office in their area of expertise.

2017 CORE and Enhancement Training

PBT – Life Loc	Taser
FOIA Management	Meth Investigation Lab Cleanup
Precision Driving	SFST Update
Mental Health	Liquor Law Enforcement
Armorer's Course	Commercial Vehicle Enforce
Firearms Instructor Courses	Legal Update
Accident Investigation	LEIN
Hostage Negotiations	Domestic Lethality Assess Trng
Interview Techniques	Medical Examiner Training
Laser & Radar Operator	School Violence Training
Marine School	Abandoned Vehicle Update
Evidence Training	
Criminal Investigation	
Records Management - OSSI	
Control & Defensive Tactics	
Forensic Interview Techniques	
Ethnics and Professionalism	



Clinton County Emergency Services 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

In 2017 Clinton County Emergency Services and its two divisions, the *Emergency Operations Center Team* and the *Emergency Services Team (EST)*, continued to make good strides in its mission to build partnerships and develop and sustain the capabilities our responders and residents need to prepare for, prevent, respond to, and recover from emergencies.

2017 Major Events

In addition to several smaller events, Clinton County Emergency Services responded to the following large incidents in 2017

March 8, 2017 Wind Storm – 60mph+ winds caused widespread power outages, tree and power line damage, fires, and taxed responders to their maximums. Emergency Services worked with area responders, public works, Consumers Energy, and Central Dispatch to coordinate resources and provide crisis communications to residents.

September 30, 2017 Gas Pipeline Release – A pressure relief valve release caused an area in DeWitt to be evacuated. The release also caused a number of area homes to be coated with an oily substance. Emergency Services helped coordinate public information during the event and worked with utility officials and the Department of Environmental Quality to provide updates to area residents on recovery.

2017 Accomplishments:

Clinton County Emergency Services made several great strides in building capability in our county. Several new planning products have been developed and others improved and updated. Equipment has been enhanced and maintained to ensure readiness. Several training programs have been implemented for responders and exercises have been conducted to evaluate plans and training.

Large Incident Scene Support: The EST greatly enhanced our capability to support response agencies during large events, particularly in the area of cold-weather support. EST acquired and implemented heating equipment for its quick-deploy shelter system. EST exercised this capability several times in 2017 to fine tune this capability.

Master Exercise Practitioner (MEP) designations: Both Robert Wooten and Larry St. George completed their Master Exercise Practitioner designations. This is the highest FEMA/DHS designation for exercise design and implementation. This training will greatly enhance our ability to support our partners to conduct properly planned and implemented exercises and learn from their

results in all areas including active shooter, mass casualty/fatality, natural disaster, and terrorist attack.

Emergency Services Team – The Clinton County Emergency Services Team provides the manpower and expertise to operate our support vehicles and equipment in the field. They also provide expert advice to our served agencies in large incident management and missing person search and rescue. Our team continues to grow in capability through constant training, exercises, and dedication. In 2017 the EST supported county responders on several incidents and contributed thousands of man hours of service to our county.

Social Media Reach – In 2017 Emergency Services provided consistent, quality preparedness content on its Facebook and Twitter social media platforms. We also used the social media platforms to provide public information during both major and minor events. In doing so, we are building a good audience and following in excess of 1,400 people. This is a key factor in our ability to provide effective crisis communications for the county.

Goals and Challenges for 2017

Crisis Communications – One of the most critical capability needs for our county remains to be crisis communication. It is the center of every response. We intend to continue to enhance our capability to communicate internally with our responders and externally with the public quickly and effectively. Several emergencies in 2017 have underscored the critical need for effective crisis communication in all modes, most notably social media. We need to continue to develop comprehensive crisis communications plans, identify partnerships, and leverage tools like social media, mass notification, etc. to coordinate information gathering, message development, and dissemination when the need arises.

Functional EOC Exercise – A *Functional Exercise* is the most complex type of exercise for an Emergency Operations Center. It is conducted in real time using a ‘simulation cell’ to provide realistic telephone, radio, and computer communications that the EOC Team must react to properly in simulating a real event. We will conduct a Functional Exercise in late 2018 to evaluate plans and procedures developed during the year.

Improving Response Agency Partnerships – Emergency Services serves all of our county and regional partners. Our goal in 2018 is to build awareness of our services and capabilities among area responders by conducting demonstrations around the county and providing educational talks on effective scene management, missing person search management, and other relevant topics. Our hope is to build and strengthen partnerships between response agencies and disciplines.

2017
CENTRAL RECORDS

Central Records has the responsibility to respond to all requests for Administrative Services for the public. They are directly responsible for registering and processing all visitors to the confined areas of the jail. **They respond to over 50,000 incoming calls to the Sheriff's Office,** respond to requests for information, process all criminal complaints, criminal histories for other agencies, compile information in the criminal records management system, fingerprint responsibilities for all Concealed Purchase License, pre-employment and firearm inspections. They provide information on a variety of subjects to the general public and perform a critical support service to the public and the Sheriff's Office.

CENTRAL RECORDS ACTIVITY SUMMARY

	2016	2017
Firearms Registered	6,510	5,381

Other Services	2017	Revenue
CPL & Employment Fingerprinting	739	\$11,085
Notary Service Requests	106	\$318
Police Report Requests	998	\$4,985
Abandoned Vehicles Processed	91	N/A
Individuals Screened for Entry into Jail	1,848	N/A
Subpoenas Processed	1,188	N/A
Sheriff Sales (mortgage)	59	\$2,950
Personal Protection Orders	100	N/A
FOIA Request / Records Checks	981	N/A

2017
ANIMAL CONTROL

The Clinton County Animal Control consists of two full-time employees. Their responsibilities are investigating complaints of dogs and farm animals running at larges, handling lost and found pets, investigating animal bites, and investigating animal welfare and neglect complaints. They are also responsible for monitoring and caring for the Clinton County Animal Shelter. In 2017 there were 4,555 dog licenses sold in Clinton County.

- 870 Complaints
- 340 Lost & Found Animals
- 125 Animal bites investigated
- 65 Citations (dog running at large, unlicensed dogs and animal cruelty)

Listed below is the revenue for Animal Control:

- \$96,445 Dog License fees
- \$1,160 Kennel License fees
- \$6,623 Other Fees
- 560 Animals picked up

2017 UNIFORM DIVISION

The Uniform Division is responsible for providing direct law enforcement services to all county residents. They have the primary responsibility to provide traffic enforcement on all secondary county roads, in conjunction with traffic enforcement on State highways and expressways.

In addition, they respond to all emergency calls for service, provide court security, serve civil process, transport prisoners, and conduct safety education programs, along with a variety of other enforcement responsibilities.

The deputy's continue to function as one of the most effective traffic enforcement units within the State of Michigan. During the past year, deputy's issued 9,488 traffic citations. They also arrested 184 drunk drivers, issued 118 seat belt violations and 162 subjects were arrested for possessing and selling narcotics. The Sheriff's Office Crash Investigation Team investigated 9 crashes, 1 fatal, 6 serious injuries and assisted other agencies with 2 crashes. They also completed 25 crash data recording downloads. The Clinton County Sheriff road patrol ranks in the top five for all Sheriff's Department on a consistent basis for traffic enforcement. Over the past several years, one of our officers has been recognized as the top O.U.I.L. Enforcement Officer for Sheriff's Offices statewide and all Law Enforcement Agencies.

Every Deputy has been trained in basic traffic accident investigation and we have 3 officers certified as traffic accident Re-constructionists. Additionally, the division has certified Laser Speed Measurement, Preliminary Breath Test, Firearm and Pressure Point Control Tactics Instruction. We have officers trained as Crime Scene Tech, Hostage Negotiators, Firearms Instructors, Laser Instructors, Defensive Tactics Instructors, PBT Instructors, CPR, A.E.D. Instructors, Taser, Pepper Ball Instructors, Standard Field Sobriety Testing Instructor and Simunition Instructors.

The deputies continue to operate as single person cars, allowing us to maximize our Law Enforcement efforts. The assignment of a single officer to a vehicle on night shifts is very rare in law enforcement agencies today. We are very fortunate to have a staff of highly trained officers committed to public service and who perform their responsibilities in a highly effective manner.

UNIFORM CRIME REPORT – ACTUAL OFFENSES		
		2017
CSC		28
Robbery		1
Assault/Stalking		16
Domestic Assault		71
Arson		3
Breaking and Entering		43
Homicide		0
Kidnapping		0
Larceny		91
Stolen Vehicles		19
Fraud/NSF		84
Retail Fraud		23
Malicious Destruction of Property		31
OWI		184
VCSA		162
Accident Reports		1,397
All Others (warrants, driving offenses, liquor violations, etc.)		1,550
	TOTAL	3,703
	UNIFORM DIVISION STATS	
	2016	2017
• Calls for service	7,962	7,929
• Self-Initiated Calls	21,798	23,071
• Total Calls Responded to	29,918	31,159
• Written Reports generated by responses	3,480	3,426
	Traffic Crashes	
	2016	2017
• Car/Deer	650	715
• Property Damage	438	547
• Personal Injury	137	132
• Fatal	9	1
	Total Accidents	1,234
		1,397

2017

Deputy Sheriff / Court Security

It is the responsibility of the duly sworn Deputy Sheriff's assigned to court security to ensure a safe and secure working environment for the courthouse employees as well as the citizens who conduct business in the Clinton County Courthouse.

Among the various responsibilities of these Deputies include but are not limited to; screening of all persons entering into the secured courtroom areas, maintaining custody of all prisoners appearing at scheduled court hearing, maintaining order within the courtroom and upon conclusion of criminal trials taking defendants, found guilty, into custody.

MONTH	SCREENING COUNT	INMATES HANDLED	COURT REMAND CUSTODY
JANUARY	5245	134	42
FEBRUARY	5135	94	35
MARCH	5630	129	50
APRIL	4471	86	54
MAY	4760	99	43
JUNE	5630	154	42
JULY	5337	135	35
AUGUST	5682	148	31
SEPTEMBER	5186	128	50
OCTOBER	5470	137	52
NOVEMBER	4865	115	39
DECEMBER	4359	107	42
YEARLY TOTAL	61,770	1,466	515

DETECTIVE DIVISION CASES OF NOTE FOR 2017

DETECTIVE BUREAU

The Detective Bureau investigated 262 criminal complaints in 2017 and an additional 174 cases required cyber investigation and forensic analysis of cell phones, computers, and other electronic devices. This makes a total of 436 cases investigated in 2017 which is a substantial increase from 2016. In 2017, a total of 85 cases resulted in suspect identification / arrest including many for very serious felony offenses. The Detective Bureau investigated 36 Criminal Sexual Conduct cases and many of them unfortunately involved children. Overall Criminal Sexual Conduct cases were up in 2017, while property crimes remained at the same level as in 2016. Detectives also investigated, reviewed, or followed up on 81 Medical Examiner Death investigations in 2017. In addition, fraud cases were down in 2017 and with continued public awareness of the various scams and fraudulent activities, it is hoped these cases will continue to decline.

CASES TO NOTE FOR 2017

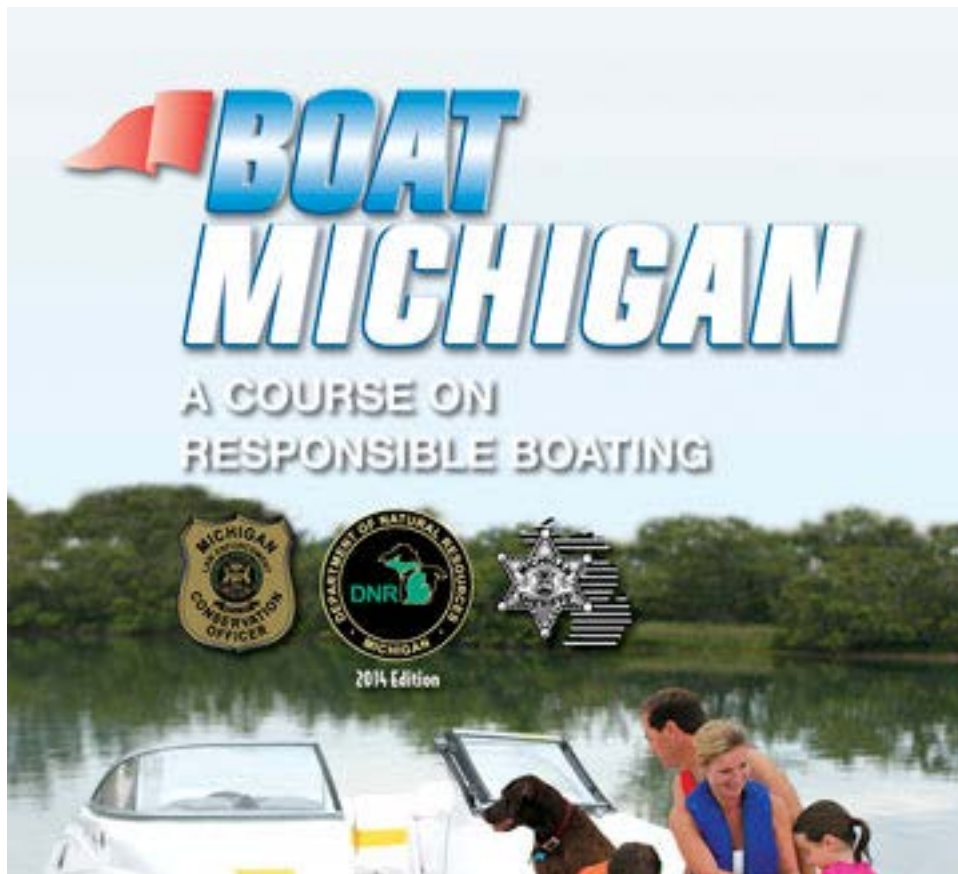
- In April of 2017, the Detective Bureau began investigating a Criminal Sexual Conduct allegation that 13-year old child was sexually assaulted in Ovid Township by a friend's father while she was at a sleep over. The Detective Bureau began the investigation and learned the suspect in this case was already on the Michigan Sex Offender Registry and he had already been to prison for similar acts against a child in the past. When the investigation was completed the suspect was sentenced to 15 to 40 years in Prison and there were other victims from Shiawassee County who also came forward resulting in charges being issued against this subject from Shiawassee County as well.
- In May of 2017, the Detective Bureau began investigating an incident where a 21 year old male broke into a home on Shepardsville Rd. in Ovid Township, and subsequently stole multiple items from the home before setting the home on fire. The Detective Bureau along with the Road Patrol found and arrested the suspect the night this crime took place and were able to recover the majority of the stolen property. The suspect in this case was well known to the victim as well as members of the Clinton County Sheriff's Office. The suspect was charged with Arson, Home Invasion, and UDAA and was sentenced to 8-20 years in prison.
- In October of 2017, the Detective Bureau began investigating an incident in which a female prostitute was solicited by a Bingham Township resident and his brother. Shortly after the prostitute arrived at the home in Bingham Township she contacted a male friend who eventually arrived at the residence. Prior to the two of them leaving the residence the female stole both of the victim's cell phones. The victims realized their phones had been stolen and they then chased the female and her male friend in their vehicle in rural Clinton County eventually catching up them. After a brief pursuit, the driver of the vehicle with the prostitute pulled over and as the two victims pulled up next to them he fired 8 rounds into their vehicle striking one of the victims in the ankle before fleeing the scene. The female was located and arrested and she was subsequently interviewed by the Clinton County Detective Bureau as well as a Detective from the Lansing Police Department. She cooperated and provided information on the suspect in the Clinton County case as well as two Homicide Investigations in Lansing in which the same suspect was involved. This individual has now been charged with multiple violent crimes in Lansing and will be charged in the Clinton County Case depending on the outcome of the homicide cases in Lansing.

MARINE PATROL

The primary goals of the Marine Program is to provide boater safety for 12-16 year olds, conduct inspections of boat liveries, provide for enforcement of the Marine Safety Laws and to address the Sheriff's responsibility for the recovery of all drowned bodies as mandated by P.A. 139, 1947.

Funding for this program is through a grant from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Funding provides for a 75% match to provide for reimbursement for officer's wages, fringe benefits, and equipment needs, supplies and materials. Equipment for the program consists of a 14-ft. boat, trailer, and 25-hp motor and associated equipment.

Program responsibilities are assigned to a part time deputy. The Deputy is a certified Police Officer also certified as a Boating Safety Instructor by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Duties for this program are conducted during the period between Memorial Day and Labor Day, with enforcement patrols concentrated on weekends and holidays.



2017 JAIL DIVISION

- During 2017, the Clinton County Jail booked in a total of 6,163 individuals. Of that number, 5,061 were male and 1,102 were female.
- The average daily count for the year was: 123 locals and 76 boarders, for a Daily Average total of 199.
- Approximately 220,095 meals were served from the kitchen.
- Self-Jail Inspection was conducted and passed.
- The County Jail continues to provide inmate programs to include: Religion, Substance Abuse, AA, Anger Management, Alternative Education, Life Skills, Parenting classes, and recreation.
- Replaced Jail Radios, Chargers, and Control Center base radio.
- Replace Gym flooring
- Replaced additional IP cameras
- Changed Medical vendor to Advanced Correctional Healthcare, which provides a much more structured and proficient medical services to the inmates.
- Changed Commissary/Inmate Accounting services to Canteen. They added a Booking Kiosk, and their integration software allows inmates to order their commissary by phone.
- Securus inmate phone contract negotiated. They continue to provide the Sheriff's Office Assisted Inmate Information system. They now provide two new software programs to assist Jail staff and the Detective Bureau in monitoring and investigation suspicious inmate activity. They also increased revenue for the County, without increasing costs to inmates or their family & friends.
- Implemented new inmate wristbands for enhanced inmate identification and security.
- Obtained a contract for 60 beds with Michigan Department of Corrections for their IDRP prisoners.