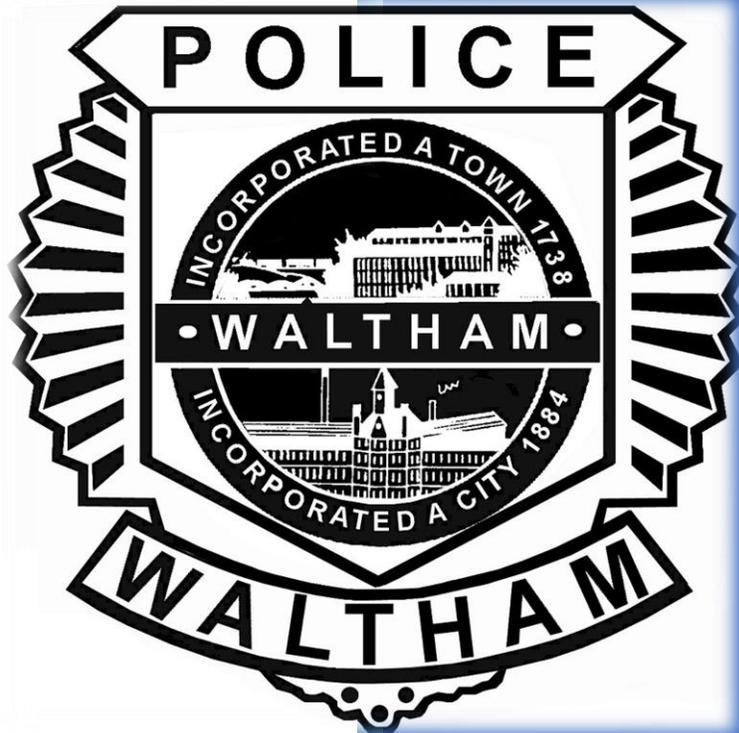


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The Waltham Police Department strives to maintain a partnership with all of our citizens in order to provide the most responsive, highest quality police service possible. We aim to understand and to meet the needs of our citizens, and to improve the quality of their lives by impartially maintaining order, innovatively solving problems, actively preventing criminal acts, and by aggressively apprehending criminals in a manner which is consistent with the law and is reflective of shared community values.

The department's 147 sworn officers along with our civilian and auxiliary employees are committed to providing the highest quality of professional law enforcement services with the goal of enhancing the quality of life within our community.

DEPARTMENT ROSTER 12/31/2017

CHIEF OF POLICE Keith D. MacPherson

DEPUTY CHIEF Kevin O'Connell

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION SUPERVISORS

Captain Donald Feeney
Lieutenant Robert Robillard
Sergeant Dennis Deveney Jr.

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION OFFICERS

David DallaCosta
Charles DiChiara
Danelle Hart
Scott Hovsepian
Ronald Raneri
Edwards Scraggs

COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPERVISORS

Captain Donald Russo
Lieutenant Mario Cavallaro
Sergeant William Gallant

COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICERS

Jon Bailey
June Conway
Kevin Devoe
John Farago
Ann Frassica
Kelly Komola
John Longmoore
Richard Modica
Michael Palmer
Kristin Tracey
William Wentworth

INVESTIGATION DIVISION SUPERVISORS

Detective Captain Steven Champeon
Detective Lieutenant Joseph Brooks
Detective Lieutenant Brian Lambert
Detective Lieutenant Richard Manning
Detective Sergeant Steven Fournier
Detective Sergeant Joseph Guigno
Detective Sergeant Timothy King

INVESTIGATION DIVISION DETECTIVES

James Auld
John Comeau
Joseph Connors
Jason Ferranti
Lucas Hernandez
Adam Lord
William MacEwen
Michael Maher
Lorri Manning
Linda Moschner
Jorge Orta
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Charles Wentworth



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PATROL DIVISION SUPERVISORS

Captain Jeffrey Rodley
Lieutenant Richard Couture
Lieutenant Timothy Maher
Lieutenant Antonio Mele
Lieutenant Michael Moriarty
Lieutenant Anthony Vazquez
Sergeant Michael Burke
Sergeant John P. Brooks
Sergeant Jeffrey Callahan
Sergeant John Cronin
Sergeant Michael Fogg
Sergeant Daniel Hart
Sergeant Frank Lombardo Jr.
Sergeant Kaitlyn MacPherson
Sergeant Stephen McCarthy
Sergeant Thomas Moran
Sergeant John Quaranto
Sergeant Robert Scarpone

PATROL DIVISION OFFICERS

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Cory Amarante
Nicholas Anderson
Richard Anderson
Luis Arevalo
Daniel Aucoin
Richard Baras
Peter Barsam
Gary Bell
Andrew Bennett
Christopher Benson
Michael Benson Jr.
Douglas Bibbo
Cesar Brache
Richard Brilliant
Thomas Bryant
Timothy Cadman
Jonathan Caissie
Tracy Capello
David Chadbourne
Andrew Champion
William Champion
Stephen Clarke

Bruce Cleaver
Daniel Collins
Edward Collins
John Connarton
Charles Cononi
Anthony Conran
Gerard Corbett
Patrick Dean
Patrick Deveau
Lee DiCecca
Anthony C. DiMasi
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Kevin Duffey
Charles Feeley
Elizabeth Fleming
Joseph Florio
Jeffrey Fogg
Ryan Foley
John Ford
Richard Giordano
Adam Goode
Charles Gryska
Jason Hache
Paul Hanley
Patrick Hart
Danielle Henderson
Brenda Hurley
Daniel MacDougall
Scott Mack
Sara Martin
John McFadyen
Natalino Mele
Harry Michel
Mark Muzyka
Kevin O'Brien
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Philip O'Dowd
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Patrick Jordan
Sean Roche
Cody Wentworth

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Deanna Gualtieri

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Frank Lombardo Sr.
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Lynda McSweeney
Marylee Stuart

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Chief Dispatcher Keith Irvine
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Supervisor Elizabeth Calore
Supervisor William Ryan
Supervisor Richard Taylor
Scott Arnold
Crystal Beck
Darren Chadbourne
Alex Chiasson
Thomas Deptula
Melanie Goshgarian
Kelly Hancock
Kevin Maher
Kimberly McDonald
Mary Payne
Mark Pelletier
Justin Prescott

Christian Rivera-Arroyave
Paul Tyman
Jordenn White

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Barbara Arsenault
Larry Brannelly
Jean Brisson
Ann Campobasso
Lorraine Capone
James Clasby
Kevin DeVoe
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Paixie Duthley
Thomas Gormley
Lorraine Hart
Helen Hoffmann
Cynthia Kelly
Leo Kiley
Linda LeBlanc
Deborah Lovequist
Janet Lyons
Douglas MacNeil
Greg Mandile
Susan McCarthy
Teresa Nielsen
Stephanie O’Neil
Richard Pazzano
Joseph Piacentino
Paul Pilicy
Christine Provencher
Garry Richards
Kathleen Senior
Donald Sheck
Barbara Shinnick
Isabel Small
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Barbara St. Cyr
Harold Stout
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CHIEF'S STATEMENT

It has been my pleasure to serve the City of Waltham as a Police Officer for the past 38 years and truly an honor to serve as Chief of Police. The landscape and needs of Waltham is ever-changing and we constantly thrive to meet the expectations of our citizens.

The Waltham Police Department employs numerous sworn officers, civilians and volunteers in its mission to protect and serve the city of Waltham. We are always striving to improve relations with our community while continuing to provide rapid professional responses to emergencies and problems of any nature. The department employs a proactive and preventative approach to addressing the needs of the city through numerous programs and out-reach efforts.

I commend the men and women of the Waltham Police Department on the outstanding services they provided in 2017 and look forward to continued professional success in 2018.



STATISTICAL OVERVIEW

CALLS FOR SERVICE

Total	48,869
Ambulance	7,711
Fire	8,670
Police	41,465

BREAKDOWN OF ARRESTS

Adult Arrests	661
Juvenile Arrests	8
Total Arrest	669

OTHER BOOKING ACTIVITIES

Criminal Complaints	634
Protective Custody	288
Sex Offender Registrations	36
Summons to Appear	19

OFFENSE TYPES – NBR (Federal Report)

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	63
ALL OTHER LARCENY	338
ARSON	2
BURGLARY/BREAKING AND ENTERING	118
FORCIBLE RAPE	16
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	43
POCKET-PICKING	4
ROBBERY	14
SIMPLE ASSAULT	249
THEFT FROM BUILDING	11
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	77
THEFT OF M/V PARTS	5

GENERAL ACTIVITY

Fatal Accidents Investigated	2
Gun Permits/FID Cards	373
Harassment Orders Issued	48
Homicides	1
Motor Vehicle Citations	10,248
OUI Citations	59
Parking Tickets Issued	2,104
Police Reports Written	8,295
Restraining Orders	293
Trespass Notices Served	99



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PROSECUTION EVENTS

Bail Hearings	564
Dangerousness Hearings	8
Grand Juries	13
Motion Hearings	51
Trials	366



NORTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS LAW ENFORCEMENT COUNCIL (NEMLEC)

NEMLEC coordinates the sharing of personnel and resources of 63 communities to provide member agencies with the ability to provide supplemental support services to 1.7 million people in the 925 square miles they serve.

Waltham PD has 9 officers assigned to various NEMLEC roles including SWAT and Rapid Response Team.

The NEMLEC SWAT unit was activated 35 times in 2017.

The NEMEC RRT was activated 6 times in 2017.

The RRT trains once a month together and the SWAT team trains twice a month together.

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

The Administrative Division provides the department with advice, information, and data on matters pertaining to departmental operations; identifies and evaluates problems requiring decisions; studies these problems and proposes solutions and plans for their approval or acceptance by the Chief of Police. This division has the objective of providing continuous technical, training and personnel services to other departmental units to enable the department to properly function.

ACCREDITATION

Waltham Police Department achieved its 6th re-accreditation award in October of 2017, the 7th accreditation process overall. The Department was assessed in June of 2017 by a team of three assessors, 1 facilitator, and the MPAC Executive Director. Waltham PD met over 300 mandatory and optional standards to achieve this prestigious award. Re-accreditation demonstrates our Department's ongoing commitment to delivering an exemplary level of police service in our community. The Department's next re-accreditation will be in 2020.

ASSIGNMENTS/DETAILS

The Assignments Office administered and billed over \$3.1 million in police details during 2017. This resulted in \$232,424 of surcharge revenue for Waltham. The office cooperated with numerous departments, agencies and businesses in coordination of numerous major detail projects in 2017.

In 2017 the office processed 15,150 leave requests, staffing adjustments and assignment changes.

In 2018 a computer and application based solution for managing and tracking details will be implemented.

BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS

The Background Investigation Unit conducted 26 background checks in 2017 on prospective



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employees throughout the city. The unit recently added seven new members and is training them in preparation of imminent police and fire hiring.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

No new marked patrol units were ordered in 2017. One 2018 Ford Fusion Hybrid was ordered to replace a 2004 Ford Taurus. A Ford F-150 was ordered to replace a 2000 Ford Econoline van for Animal Control. No major work was done to the building in 2017.

For 2018 we plan to order 6-8 new marked units as well as one new Ford Fusion Hybrid to replace the last 2004 Ford Taurus. In addition, two new motorcycles to replace 2008 Harley Davidsons are planned as well as one Prisoner transport wagon to replace the 2003 wagon. An all-purpose vehicle to use as command post/critical incident deployment will be submitted for as well.

EVIDENCE

In 2017 the department took in 982 pieces of evidence and property. In the same time frame 361 pieces of evidence were released/disposed of. An annual audit was completed December 7th and 9th of 2017.

The department destroyed 100 pounds of illicit drugs and 12 firearms.

FIREARMS/WEAPONS

All full duty members received Use of Force training as well as requalified in their department issued firearms.

The complement of trained Less Lethal weapon handlers was increased from 30 to 32 in 2017. The amount of trained Patrol Rifle operators was increased from 56 to 74 in 2017.

In 2017 four officers received new replacement bulletproof vests. In 2018 it is anticipated that 50 will be up for replacements.

POLICIES

In 2017 the department reviewed 74 department policies and procedures during the accreditation process.

In addition 25 policies were updated in 2017 to reflect best current practices.

TRAINING

The department was able to send all sworn officers to hands on driver safety training between 2016 and 2017 at In-Control Driving School. Officers attended over 1000 hours of “specialized training” at other facilities. These included classes on terrorism, narcotics investigation, gangs, suicide prevention, leadership and crime scene processing.

The unit introduced in-house specialty training videos on topics such as “High Risk Vehicle Stops” and “Active Shooter Response Review”.



In-Service training was provided at the Lowell Police Academy and in the WPD training academy to 140 employees; covering things such as CPR, First Aid and legal updates.

The Department continued its contract with Hanrahan Consulting to provide weekly legal updates on recent case law and law changes. Specialized web based trainings are being rolled out in 2018 for various topics as well.



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COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

The Community Services Division has the primary responsibility for the department's traffic and community services programs.

The division is also responsible for all school programs, as well as licensing and records. It is also the responsibility of the Community Services Division to investigate serious traffic accidents, control parking, and be directly concerned with school traffic safety by overseeing the STS program. Community Services also oversees the City United program, the Housing Officer and the TRIAD officer for senior affairs.

ACCIDENT RECONSTRUCTION TEAM

The Recon Team investigates crashes where there is a fatality or serious injury. They responded to 4 serious accidents in 2017 including 2 fatalities.

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

The ACO responded to 773 calls for service in 2017. The ACO impounded 37 dogs and was able to return 36 to their owner. The ACO wrote 14 citations for animal related infractions in 2017.

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

The Citizen’s Police Academy is offered once a year to Waltham residents. It is a 12-week program which educated the students about the various aspects of the WPD including law classes, narcotics, use of force and patrol procedures. In 2017 over 40 students attended the Academy.



FID/LICENSE TO CARRY

In 2017 Community Services issued 303 Licenses to Carry Firearms and Firearms Identification Cards. This includes new licenses as well as renewals.

FINGERPRINTS

The division processed 280 sets of fingerprints for various reasons including firearms and pre-employment.

HOUSING AUTHORITY LIAISON OFFICER

The Housing Officer responded to 45 calls for service at the various housing complexes in 2017 and produced 10 reports in addition to hosting numerous community meetings and events at all locations.

PERMITS

Noise	99
Parade	4
Road Race	18
State Vendor	5
Solicitor	102
Raffle/Bazaar	13

PROJECT KIDSAFE

This program distributed over 120 bicycle helmets to children in the community in 2017.



PUBLIC RECORDS REQUESTS

In 2017 Community Service fulfilled 1,142 records requests.



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SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

The department has one School Safety Officer who oversees general safety issues at the schools as well as transportation and busing. In addition, there are four School Resource Officers – two at WHS and one each at the McDevitt and Kennedy Middle Schools.

The SRO’s attended Juvenile Law trainings and the NASRO training conference. The unit also provides yearly ALICE trainings for Waltham schools.

The School Resource Officers ran two camps in 2017. The two week GREAT camp was attended by 40 middle school students. The two week Youth Police Academy was attended by 45 12-16 year olds. The officers also assist with the Middlesex County Sheriff’s Youth Public Safety Academy.

The SRO’s also played an integral role in school safety during the continuous bomb threat scares this year.

TAXI ENFORCEMENT

The division conducts annual inspections of all Waltham taxis. In 2017 the WPD issued 69 taxi medallions and 130 taxi licenses.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

In 2017 officers were deployed in Federal Justice Assistance Grants and Massachusetts EOPSS grants concerning seatbelts, OUI, distracted driving and crosswalk enforcement. Officers were also deployed to address numerous specific complaints and traffic issues throughout the city, including the use of mounted speed signs.

TRIAD PROGRAM

The TRIAD officer responded to 128 calls for service relating to senior citizens and wrote 16 reports as well as attending numerous meetings and seminars related to their well-being.

INVESTIGATION DIVISION

This Investigation Division (Detectives) has the mission to investigate all serious crimes; to clear crimes by arrest; to prosecute lawbreakers; and to recover stolen property. The detectives provide for the continuance of criminal investigations initiated by other units and shall provide assistance to other units in their preliminary investigations.

Some members of the division also participate in the multi-community Suburban Middlesex County Drug Task Force, including the unit’s Officer in Charge. Three investigators are assigned full time to various state and federal agencies/task forces.

BOMB THREAT INVESTIGATION

In 2017 there were 151 bomb threats throughout the City of Waltham. A lengthy and extremely intricate investigation by WPD and the FBI led to an arrest of a suspect who is currently in federal custody.

CRIME SCENE PHOTOGRAPHS

The division processed 5,595 photographs from various crime scenes in 2017. Storing and archiving of all crime scene photographs is a function of the Investigation Unit as well.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

The Investigation Division conducted 1,602 criminal investigations. These are often more thorough follow-ups to initial crimes reported to other divisions. Some of these investigations include:

Aggravated Assault	93
Bomb Threats	151
Domestic Violence	718
Drug Investigations	58
Homicide	1
Missing Persons	504
Property Crime	841
Sex Offender Registrations	41
Sex Offender Audits	72
Simple Assault	249

LIQUOR ENFORCEMENT



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The Investigation Division reviewed 1,329 incidents that occurred at establishments with liquor licenses. Numerous operations were also conducted to combat the service of minors at package stores and bars/restaurants.

PROSECUTION EVENTS

The prosecution unit logged 2,496 events for the department. This includes motions, trials, bail hearings and pleas.

REPORT REVIEW

In 2017 the Investigation Division gave final approval to 8,295 police reports. This ensures the reports are ready for release as well as in use in criminal prosecutions.



SUBURBAN MIDDLESEX COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE

The SMCDF conducted 58 narcotics investigations in conjunction with 12 other communities. Assets and resources from all participating communities are shared in the law enforcement effort.

This resulted in 35 arrests, the execution of 29 search warrants and the seizure of numerous drugs and contraband including:

Cocaine	1485 grams
Heroin	826 grams
Marijuana	45 grams
Fentanyl	377 grams
Crack	5 grams

Pharmaceuticals	127 tabs
MDMA	2523 grams

The Drug Task Force also seized 1 firearm and 5 motor vehicles.

PATROL DIVISION

The Patrol Division is the backbone of the police department and comprises its largest unit. Ninety officers and supervisors provide a 24/7 response to incidents throughout the city.

The principle responsibilities of the Patrol Division are protection of life and property; the use of citizen partnerships, increased citizen contacts, developing proactive strategies, the investigation of crimes, offenses, incidents, and conditions; the arresting of offenders; the prevention of crime; traffic direction and control; the enforcement of traffic laws; the response to calls for service; the maintenance of public order; and the giving of aid, relief, and information to all citizens as circumstances require.

CALLS FOR SERVICE

The Patrol Division is responsible for the primary response to the majority of emergency and non-emergency calls.

The vast majority of motor vehicle citations, parking tags and arrests also originate from Patrol.

Police Calls for Service	41,465
Arrests – Total	669
Criminal Complaints	634
Field Interview Reports	163
Motor Vehicle Citations	10,248
Parking Tickets Issued	2,104
Protective Custody	288



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DESTRUCTION/VANDALISM PROP	195
DRUG/NARCOTIC VIOLATIONS	41
WEAPON LAW VIOLATION	77
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	71
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	59
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	6
TRESPASS OF REAL PROPERTY	44
ALL OTHER OFFENSES	211
NON-CRIMINAL/CIVIL	409

OFFENSES CHARGED

The Patrol Division deals with a wide variety of calls resulting in numerous charges being filed for various crime categories.

In 2017 the entire Waltham Police Department filed charges in relation to the following offenses, amongst others:

MURDER	1
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION	3
FORCIBLE RAPE	16
ROBBERY	14
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	64
SIMPLE ASSAULT	248
INTIMIDATION	50
ARSON	2
BURGLARY/BREAKING AND ENTERING	118
POCKET-PICKING	4
SHOPLIFTING	39
THEFT FROM BUILDING	11
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	76
THEFT OF M/V PARTS/ACCESSORIES	3
ALL OTHER LARCENY	338
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	43
COUNTERFEITING/FORGERY	21
FALSE PRETENSES/SWINDLE/GAME	135
CREDIT CARD/ATM FRAUD	2

ANTI-CRIME UNIT

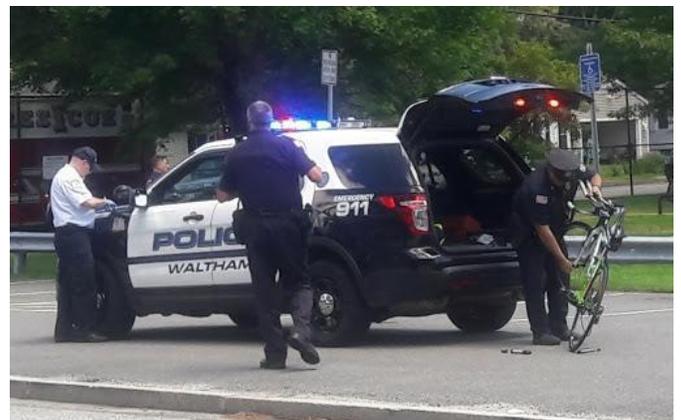
The Patrol Division has been deploying a two officer plainclothes unit to combat street level crime and quality of life issues. Tactics such as decoy bicycles were utilized.

COLLEGE LIAISONS

Officers are assigned as liaisons between the department and Bentley/Brandeis to address issues that arise both on and off campus with local students. They also follow-up with students from other area colleges that reside in Waltham.

FERNALD SECURITY

Patrol provided around the clock security and checks to the Fernald property for much of 2017.





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EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS

The Emergency Telecommunications Dispatch/911 center is responsible for receiving emergency and non-emergency calls from the public, providing guidance and emergency instruction over the phone as well as initiating and coordinating the public safety response.

In 2017 the 911 center began replacing a large turnover of dispatchers and supervisors. In 2018 they plan to continue with hiring and training as well as upgrading 6 dispatch station computers and 24 monitors. Major upgrades and repairs to the city’s radio network are also underway as well in 2018.

On 7/23/2017 the Dispatch handled the 8 alarm fire on Cooper St, coordinating resources from numerous communities and organizations.

CAD Entries	44,868
Medicals	7,712
Fire Runs	8,617
Medical Call Quality Reviews	1,414
9-1-1 Voice Calls	13,315
Average Answer Time	00:04.6
Average 9-1-1 Call Duration	02:17.5
Working Fires	39



AUXILIARY POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Auxiliary Police Department assists the community and the police in numerous capacities. During the school year, the Auxiliary Police patrol the school grounds and the buildings during weekend night patrols. In the summer months, the patrols increase to include weeknight patrols.

The Auxiliary Police also safeguard the grounds and municipal buildings in the City of Waltham as well as the parks, playgrounds, and other public places. The Auxiliary Police enforce parking restrictions and aid in the daily operations of the Waltham Police Department when needed.

WPD AUXILIARY ROSTER

- Lieutenant Michael Dias
- Sergeant Ann Justen
- Officer Paul Alagna
- Officer Hiko Yesiltepe
- Officer Akadeth Paenmuan
- Officer C.J. Bitsikas
- Officer Aaron Martignetti
- Officer Natalie Mardoyan

DETAILS

The WPD Auxiliary performs details on a volunteer basis for many charitable and city run events. In 2017 they worked 38.5 detail hours at numerous events including Waltham Day, The 4th of July, various events on the Common and several road races. This realized a savings of \$1,694 in detail pay for these events.

MEETINGS

WPD Auxiliary recruitment meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month.

PATROL

The auxiliary unit conducted 132 hours of patrol duties in 2017. This provides additional resources



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to sensitive locations such as parks, schools and other city property.

TRAINING

The auxiliary officers are trained monthly in skills such as CPR, First Aid, Defensive Tactics and Patrol Procedures. In 2017 they received 45.5 hours of this specialty training.

GRANTS

The Waltham Police Department administers numerous state and federal grants each year to help combat various policing issues.

Approved Grants	FY18	FY 17
EOPS Police Vests		\$23,144.00
Pre-Arrest	\$43,000.00	\$43,000.00
911 Training	\$29,815.00	\$32,046.00
911 Support	\$152,176.00	\$152,176.00
JAG Grants		
Total State Grants	\$224,991.00	\$250,366.00
EOPSS Ped/Bike		\$3,750.00
REACH Elder Abuse		\$21,641.00
Under Age Alcohol		\$4,990.00
Traffic Enforcement	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Survey & Foot Patrol	\$10,843.00	
Total Federal Grants	\$22,843.00	\$42,381.00
Combined Total	\$247,834.00	\$292,747.00

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

CARTER STREET SUBSTATION

The Community Policing Program Coordinator is stationed out of the Carter St Substation. The building hosts monthly meetings for both the Homeless Assistance Coalition as well as the City United program which help resolve neighborhood land lord/tenant issues.

Other offices that are kept there include the Homeless Assistance Coalition, the TRIAD Officer, the Housing Officer, the 128 Corporate Alliance and the Bicycle Unit equipment. Also resident at Carter St. is our Jail Diversion Clinician.

The substation also functions as a Visitors Center with a host staffing the front desk in the lobby to assist visitors with information on Waltham and the commuter system.

CHILD SAFETY SEAT CHECK POINTS

Trained officers conduct child seat safety inspections every three weeks. They inspected at least 300 seats in 2017.

DRUG TAKE BACK PROGRAM

The Waltham Police Department participates in the Middlesex County Drug Take Back Program. A kiosk in the front lobby allows people to return expired/old/unwanted drugs for disposal.

In 2017 the department took in and ultimately destroyed about 500 pounds of these drugs.

HIGH SCHOOL READING PROJECT

The SROs and members of the command staff read “All American Boys” a book about police and race and participated in a forum with high school students who had read it as well.

HOMELESS TASK FORCE

The HTF unit consists of 11 Crisis Intervention Team trained officers from the Patrol division to help the growing homeless population in Waltham.



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They serve as liaisons and resources to address the mental health, substance abuse and housing assistance for the homeless.

The officers meet monthly at the Waltham Area Homeless Assistance Coalition meetings. They identified and gathered information on 292 different homeless persons in the city for 2017. Overall the WPD had approximately 800 documented interactions with the homeless population for 2017.

The HTF also helped with supervision and coordination of the upwards of 20 homeless persons a night at the Bright School Warming Center during inclement weather in 2017.

JAIL DIVERSION PROGRAM

The Jail Diversion Program (JDP) is a partnership with the Edinburgh Center to divert individuals with mental illness, substance abuse, or developmental disabilities from the criminal justice system to appropriate treatment options. A department based clinician accompanies police officers on calls for service and provides an immediate evaluation on scene, as well as providing follow-up on many cases.

The clinician averaged about 29-35 contact calls per month in 2017 for initial responses to incidents and crises. In 2017 the Edinburgh Clinician also provided follow-up services on 412 cases.

LATINOS IN ACTION

Two officers are part of the Latinos in Action program. This group helps promote empowerment and involvement of the Latino community.

Some of the events run in 2017 by the program were the Latino Festival, Health Fair, Children's Halloween and Christmas Parties and English classes.

OPIOID TASK FORCE

A partnership exists between the police department, the Health Department and other local resources related to substance abuse.

In 2017 the police department made over 15 direct referrals for follow-up and notified the Health Department of 74 overdoses.

POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE – PAL

The Police Athletic League provides free athletic programs to Waltham children. The sports include basketball, soccer, street hockey and flag football. These programs are staffed by over twenty police officers as well as numerous other volunteers.

In 2017 Waltham PD PAL offered 10 various programs for children between the ages of 7 and 17. Over 650 children citywide participated in these leagues.

PUERTO RICO AID

The department deployed three bilingual officers for periods of 2-3 weeks each to assist with the public safety response in Puerto Rico.

SOCIAL MEDIA & TECHNOLOGY

The Waltham Police Department Facebook page peaked at 9,341 followers in 2017. The average reach for a singular post was 6,511 subscribers.

The Waltham Police Department Twitter has 11,900 followers and made over 250 tweets in 2017.





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BANKING SUMMARY

(Money collected in 2017 and turned in to City)

Accident Reports	\$ 925.00
Finger Prints	\$ 2,310.00
Photos	\$ 31.00
Solicitation IDs	\$ 375.00
Licenses to Carry	\$ 21,450.00
Restitution	\$ 746.00
SMCDTF Drug Forfeiture	\$ 9,172.00
SMCDTF	\$ 44,400.00
Charities Account	\$ 12,715.00
Unclaimed/Found	\$ 543.11
Insurance Recovery	\$ 6,267.87
Evidence	\$ 3,531.41
OVERALL TOTAL	\$ 102,466.39

PERMITS

The Chief reviews various projects that are applying for Special Permits. The Chief signed off on 7 Special Permits in 2017.

SHARED COSTS

In 2017 the department took on 2,272 hours of overtime costs associated with various city construction projects for the CPW, Engineering, and Transportation departments.