

NEW BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

2019 ANNUAL OVERVIEW

CHIEF'S REPORT



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"We Are A Certified Law Enforcement Agency"

Chief of Police Steven A. Goins



CHIEF'S MESSAGE

As the Chief Executive Officer and on behalf of the dedicated men and women of the New Boston Police Department, it is with great pride and honor that I present the 2019 Annual Report. This report contains information concerning the department's organizational structure as well as important statistics and accomplishments from the year.

In 2019, I believe the Department experienced another successful year with serving our community and protecting our citizens while combating crime relat-

ed issues, with our dedicated staff.

The New Boston Police Department for 2019 is again a certified Law Enforcement Agency through the Ohio Collaborative Community Police Advisory Board that was created by the Ohio Governor's Office, as in the previous year of 2018.

For the new year of 2020, the staff of NBPD will remain dedicated to serving all people within our village in a fair and consistent manner.



CURRENT COMMAND STAFF

Captain Robert Deerfield has over twenty one years of service in law enforcement. Capt. Deerfield oversees all investigative cases and drug cases within the agency. He also oversees the dispatch operations and has administrative duties as assigned by the Chief. Capt. Deerfield is a former BCI Special Agent for the State of Ohio and is currently a member of the U.S. Marshals fugitive task force for southern Ohio (SOFAST).





AGENCY OVERVIEW

The New Boston Police Department is located in Scioto County, Ohio and serves the citizens of the Village of New Boston. Our department is a full time professional law enforcement agency that operates twenty four hours a day, seven days a week. We serve a community of around 2,300 residents and our daytime population can be around 4,000 to 6,000 people that work, shop, and travel through our village, within a 2 mile square area. We dispatch all emergency calls for police, fire and ambulance within our 911 dispatch center for the Village of New Boston. We are a certified 6 hour holding jail facility for prisoners that are arrested and held. The Ordinances of New Boston currently has in place positions for 10 full time police officers and four full time dispatchers. All employees are trained and certified to be able to serve our community in a reliable and professional way. Currently NBPD is a participant of the U.S. Marshals Southern Ohio Fugitive Apprehension Task Force (SOFAST).

STAFFING

The Department is currently staffed, as of 12/31/2019, by 9 sworn full time officers which includes the Chief. The 911 dispatch center is staffed by 4 full time civilian dispatchers. All personnel are professionally trained and certified by the State of Ohio. In 2019, two officers have not worked due to being on worker's compensation leave with injuries received in the line of duty which they are still off as of 12/31/2019. In 2019 after several Officers left employment the Department has hired four new Officers.

Our three main work shifts are 7a-3p, 3p-11p, 11p-7a. There are two swing shifts that are sometimes used and they are a 11a-7p and 7p-3a.

OVER-TIME

In 2019, NBPD Officers worked 1,139 hours in overtime. Of the 1,139 in overtime hours, 171.5 hours is court time where officers had to be in court.

In Dispatching there was 875.5 hours in overtime.

TRAINING HOURS

In 2019, there was no Continued Professional Training Hours required by OPOTA. However, with a continued strong training program by NBPD, Officers received a total of 80 hours of training either by attending classes at OPOTA or other certified programs in the region.

MISSION STATEMENT

The men and women of the New Boston Police Department are dedicated to improving the quality of life in our Village by enhancing public safety through cooperative interaction with our community and with other public and private agencies. We will protect all people when called upon and bring all criminals to justice and will give assistance to all people when they are in need. We will have a strong set of our core values to help us obtain our mission.

CORE VAULES

Professionalism; demonstrating excellence with leadership, cooperation, dedication and attention to detail.

Respect; demonstrating appreciation for human dignity, diversity, and individual rights while holding reverence for human life above all else.

Integrity; consistently adhering to honesty and ethical behavior and accepting responsibility for our actions.

Discipline; exhibiting proper conduct and self control in the face of adversity through a commitment to training and organizational standards.

Enthusiasm; serving with passion and a sense of urgency to make a difference in our community.

Attention To Detail; excellence through commitment to accuracy and completeness.

Sense Of Urgency; direct response to calls for service while exercising due regards for other legitimate needs.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CODE OF ETHICS

As a Law Enforcement Officer, my fundamental duty is to serve the community; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional rights of all to liberty, equality and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and will behave in a manner which does not bring discredit to me or my agency, I will maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn, or ridicule; develop self restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life. I will be exemplary in obeying the law and regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, political beliefs, aspirations, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals. I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will never engage in acts of bribery nor will I condone such acts by others police officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice.

I know that I alone am responsible for my own standard of professional performance and will take every opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence, I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS COMPLAINTS

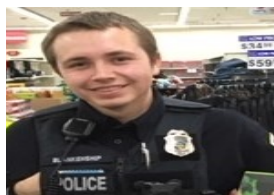
As part of NBPD's certification every year we release a annual review of citizens complaints and department internal on investigations for misconduct. In 2019, NBPD did not receive any citizen's complaint against NBPD personnel. In 2019, there was one department internal investigation of officers. In the one case, it involved rules and procedures violations. The officer received an suspension pending termination from duty and later resigned.



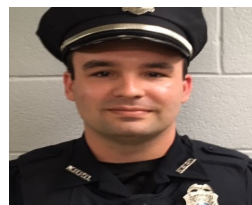
SPECIAL HIGHLIGHTS OF PERSONNEL

The Department would like to highlight and mention several newer Officers to the Department. Officer Jacob Emmett came to the NBPD in 2018 from Cole Grove PD where he had over eight years of service and was a Lieutenant. Officer Emmett is becoming a very important part of the NBPD with his dedication and professionalism. Officer Caruso came to the NBPD in May with over eight years in law enforcement, working at Ashville Ohio and Hanging Rock Ohio Police Departments. Officer Caruso is a very dedicated Police Officer and already has made an impact in serving our community.

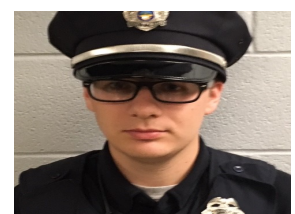
In May, Officer McKenzie came to the NBPD from where he was an School Resource Deputy in Pike County, Ohio. We believe Officer McKenzie will become an outstanding Officer for the NBPD. Officer Blankenship graduated from the Police Academy in 2019 and came to the NBPD in September. We believe Officer Blankenship will have a bright and successful future within the NBPD.



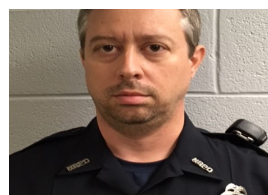
Officer Blankenship



Officer Caruso



Officer McKenzie



Officer Emmett

COMMUNITY POLICING & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In 2019, NBPD was successful in reaching out to the community by participating in several community events such as the “party at the park”, the community fireworks show in July, the magic and safety pup show at Glenwood School for the elementary students. In all events NBPD was able to hand out crime prevention materials and safety materials to the kids and citizens. Also the Village had another successful Christmas program for the children of New Boston where Officers of the NBPD and Village Service Department and Firefighters of the Nbfd and Village Community Center Employees handed out presents on December 23rd. The Program helped over 400 kids that live or go to school in New Boston.

In 2019 NBPD continued to receive certification by the Ohio Collaborative Community Police Advisory Board that was created by the Ohio Governor's Office. This means for the citizens of New Boston that your Police Department has high professional operation procedures and rules of conduct in place that all Officers follow and ensures the community that the Police Department is here to serve and protect you in the best way we can.

In 2019, NBPD upgraded our body worn cameras to the Axon Cam 2's which are high definition cameras worn by officers while on duty. Also the Department was able to purchase new Remington tactical shotguns and upgraded our M-16 rifles with tactical lights and laser lights. We also have allowed Officers to wear a outer molle armor vest where equipment that usually is worn on a leather duty belt can now be worn on the molle vest which will eliminate heavy duty belts around the waist that Officers must wear daily during their shifts everyday.

Also with the Council appropriation of \$10,000 a Live Scan Digital Fingerprint System was installed at the Department. Officers don't use black ink anymore. Persons are fingerprinted through this digital computer program which is faster in time and creates less errors with fingerprints, then prints are automatically transmitted to Ohio BCI.



Magic and Safety Pup Show



Party At The Park



Party At The Park



Halloween



Christmas Program



July 4th Fireworks Event

“We can only be successful in our mission when we interact with our community”



2019 GENERAL STATISTICS:

Calls For Service: 6,992
(2018: 7,135)
Misdemeanor Arrests: 739
(2018: 670)
Felony Arrests: 83
(2018: 81)
Juvenile Citations/Arrests: 11
(2018: 10)
Traffic Citations Issued: 735
(2018: 636)
Offense Reports Taken : 984
(2018: 979)
Traffic Crash Reports: 149
(2018: 198)

OFFENSES TOTAL BY DAY:

Sunday: 108
Monday: 139
Tuesday: 132
Wednesday: 103
Thursday: 191
Friday: 156
Saturday: 155

CALLS TOTAL BY DAY:

Sunday: 851
Monday: 845
Tuesday: 814
Wednesday: 910
Thursday: 1,017
Friday: 1,119
Saturday: 983

2019 SOME REPORTED OFFENSES:

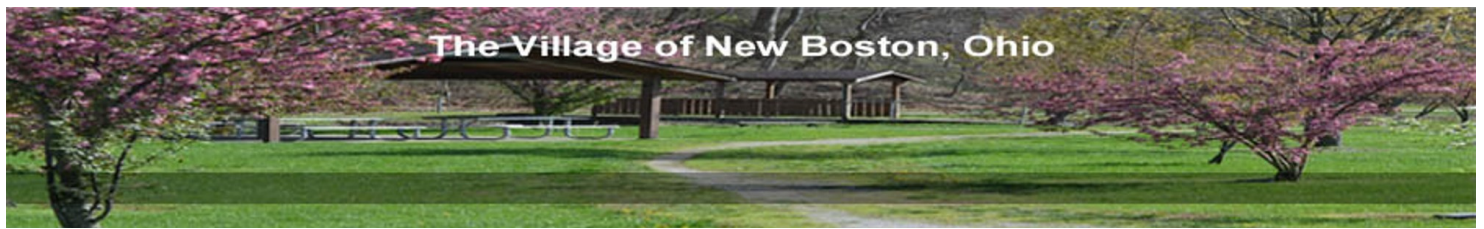
Arson: 1
Homicides: 0
Felony Assaults: 11
Assaults: 22
Sex Offenses: 3
Burglary: 10
B&E: 16
Robbery: 9
Thefts: 362
Fraud/Forgery: 16
Auto Theft: 7
Domestic Violence: 48
Drug Related Offenses: 145
OVI's: 21
Missing/Runaway Persons: 8
Trespassing: 78
Menacing/Stalking: 16
Vandalism/Crim.Damage: 24
Endanger Children: 6

NUMBER OF CALLS FOR SOME VILLAGE LOCATIONS:

Wal-Mart: 623
Rural King: 133
Label Shopper: 20
Tractor Supply: 33
Hibbets Sporting Goods: 10
Dollar General: 21
Family Dollar: 6
BG's Food Mart: 6
Dollar Tree: 18
Pat Catans: 10
Cape School: 18
Glenwood H.S.: 18

WAL-MART CRIME & CALLS STATISTICS:

Wal-Mart Calls for Service: 623
Criminal Offense Reports at Wal-Mart: 394
Some Reported Crimes at Wal-Mart
Thefts/Shopliftings: 208
Trespassing: 74
Robbery: 5
Felony Assaults: 1
Assaults: 3
Drug Related Offenses: 32
Criminal Mischief: 4
Unruly Juveniles: 2
Menacing/Stalking: 6
Criminal Damage: 6
Voyeurism: 3
Disorderly Conduct: 4
Endanger Children: 2
Domestic Violence: 5
Other Misdemeanors: 24



DEPARTMENT STATISTICS & OVERVIEW OF SERVICES

In 2019, the NBPd had another productive and busy year, responding to 6,992 calls for service within our community and writing 984 criminal offense reports. NBPd Officers responded to and investigated 149 traffic crashes within the Village. Estimates from ODOT indicated that over 20,000 vehicles travel through the Village each day, so our Department is very fortunate to only have to respond to 149 traffic crashes this past year. I was asked about the amount of Calls for Service we get each year and how it has increased dramatically since the 1980's or early 1990's and I like to point out we are in what I call the mobile digital device age, meaning that almost everyone has a cell phone or other mobile communication device they carry with them all the time. When I started in 1984 in law enforcement, the NBPd averaged about 1000 calls per year where most residents would call into the Department by their house phones when needing police assistance.

But now the NBPd will get a majority of our calls from cell phones and from people who necessarily do not live in the Village but are either traveling through the Village or working or shopping in the Village. We want a large amount of citizens to come into our Village; that makes our Village a thriving economical community with retail and workforce. So with this amount of citizens within the Village at any time and having the capability to contact the Police almost immediately our calls for service have increased through the years. We want citizens to call the Police when they see a crime being committed or something that appears not to be right and we will respond to check out their complaints. So with the advancement of communication technology through the years it also will increase calls for police services and will have an effect on our manpower and governments will have to decide how much police manpower is necessary to handle daily police calls and services within their communities.

In 2019, it appears the Village's main crime offense is theft, most generally from several of the Village's retail stores where Officers responded to shoplifting calls. Where communities have a number of shopping centers (the Village has three) or retail stores, it is not uncommon to have a high number of theft/shoplifting calls and arrests. However when this occurs it will take Officers off of the streets and away from their patrol duties because of dealing with arrests and arrests paperwork. Manpower is limited during these times and it affects the rest of the community when the Police is needed immediately for other emergencies. As always the NBPd is committed to helping our businesses and our local residents by responding quickly to their calls and preventing their losses.

In this year's annual report I included statistics of incidents and offenses and number of calls for police service at the Village's local Wal-Mart Store property. I included these statistics this year to help show the amount of police manpower that is consumed at one centralized area. I believe when government administrations decide each year on how much police manpower is needed to serve and protect their community, areas where a Wal-Mart Store is located is like having another small city or village within our jurisdiction because of the amount of people going to that location each day. There is several thousands of people that visit our local Wal-Mart each week in our Village. With this amount of people coming into our Village it will increase police services which include investigating crimes and making arrests in that one area. After researching this issue it is found that this situation is not unique to New Boston but occurs in any jurisdiction that has a Wal-Mart. Wal-Mart is a very valuable business partner in our community. The NBPd will continue to assist Wal-Mart by responding quickly to their calls and making that area a safe place for all citizens who come to that area.



CHIEF'S CLOSING REMARKS & IN MEMORIAM



I can not begin to give any closing remarks without first acknowledging in memoriam the pasting of our two beloved former Chiefs of Police; Chief John Foit and Chief Darrold Clark who both past away in 2019.

Chief John “Jack” Foit was a Police Officer for the Village of New Boston for 27 years and he was Chief of Police from 1975 to 1980. Chief Darrold Clark was a Police Officer for the Village of New Boston for 47 years and he was Chief of Police from 1999 to 2017. Both men were dedicated Police Officers whose leadership in their Chief’s positions were most beneficial to the citizens of our community.



Chief Clark



Chief Foit

I believe 2019 was a good year for the Police Department. We have a young dedicated staff of Police Officers and who have exhibited to me their willingness to serve our community and citizens with integrity and high professionalism. Our 911 Dispatchers handled over 6,900 calls in 2019 which consisted of police, fire and ambulance calls. Our 911 Dispatchers are trained and have exhibited a high degree of professionalism when dealing with calls that can be very stressful at times, in addition to their other duties as office clerk’s and assisting in arrest booking procedures.

Once again in 2019 our Department is a certified Law Enforcement Agency by the Ohio Collaborative Community-Police Advisory Board created by the Ohio Governor’s Office. This means for the citizens of New Boston that their Police Department has high professional operation procedures and rules of conduct in place that all Officers follow and ensures the community that the Police Department is here to serve and protect them in the best way we can and we have shown the certification board we do what we say in our procedures and rules of conduct.

In the new year, one of my main objectives will try to implement the Marcs Radio System within the Police Department . I firmly believe our Department needs this emergency radio system to use for all of our dispatching and officers use while on patrol. Currently our Department is the only Law Enforcement Agency in Scioto County that does not use or have the Marcs Radio System as their main communication system.

As always I look forward in 2020 to serving as the Chief of Police and providing police services and protection to our residents and businesses within our community. If I can be of service to anyone please feel free to call or come see me at the Police Department.

Chief Steven A. Goins