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VALUES

Department Mission, Vision and Guiding Principles



WHY?

Mission: Provide effective, empathetic, and just police services to ensure public safety and enhance the quality of life.



WHAT?

The City of Parsons markets itself as an **ENGAGED COMMUNITY**. The mission, vision and guiding principles of the police department are incorporated into agency operations, to serve as beacons guiding responsible service to our community and attainment of our goals and strategies.



VISION: WE SERVE WITH INTEGRITY AND EMPATHY WHILE PROACTIVELY EVOLVING TO EXCEED COMMUNITY EXPECTATIONS. TOGETHER, OUR MISSION AND VISION DRIVE EVERY POLICY IN OUR DEPARTMENT. OUR SUCCESS RESTS ON THREE CORE VALUES:

GUIDANCE

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VALUES

- **Pride:** We serve with integrity and empathy while continuously evolving to meet community needs. This commitment to growth and adaptation ensures we remain responsive to our community's changing needs.
- **Professionalism:** We deliver effective and just service through skilled teamwork and evidence based policing practices. This dedication to excellence is reflected in our comprehensive policies, which align meticulously with federal, state, and local laws.
- **Dedication:** We are accountable professionals who demonstrate empathy and justice while exceeding community expectations.



SHARED AGENCY AND STAFF COMMITMENTS

OPERATIONS STAFF

- **Professional and exceptional service** that serves our commitment to 'WOW!'
- **Prompt response.**
- **Firm, fair and friendly** attitude.
- **Follow-through** and case ownership.
- **Problem solvers.**
- **Problem Oriented Policing** to remove problems at their source.
- **Involve partners** from throughout the region to solve community problems collaboratively.
- Use the **lowest level of force** to obtain the highest level of voluntary compliance.

ADMINISTRATION

- **Market agency** accomplishments, guide and coach the organization and develop strong community communication.
- **Liaison** with community, city commission, and community partners, and plan for the future of the agency.
- Aggressively look at traditional and non-traditional **funding sources.**

POLICE2PEACE

The Peace Officer Pledge is a solemn oath taken by a community's guardians to fulfill the fundamental purpose of policing.

Oath:

We, the members of the Parsons Police Department, promise that while doing our best to control crime, we will do everything in our power to do no harm to the communities we serve and protect.

www.police2peace.org

COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIP

- **Community Guardians** and not merely enforcers.
- Develop **domestic violence** High Risk Team (HRT)
- Invest in **Medic** Training.
- **Outreach** to vulnerable populations.
- Embrace a '**peace officer**' philosophy.

TACTICAL.

- Build a realistic **Strategic Plan** to guide our agency.
- Identify and address **staffing.**
- Proactive use of **volunteer resources** and programming.
- New **public safety facility** to meet community needs.
- Match **tactical needs** to community risks and budget accordingly.



CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief Robert Spinks, MA, MS



Chief Robert Spinks

As I reflect on the calendar year 2024, I am filled with immense gratitude and pride for the exceptional dedication and professionalism exhibited by the men and women of the Parsons Police Department. It is my privilege as Chief to share this reflection on the progress and accomplishments of the past year.

Our agency has upheld its unwavering commitment to public safety, innovation, and community partnership—values that stand at the heart of our mission. These achievements would not have been possible without the collaborative spirit of our officers, staff, and the residents of Parsons, who continue to foster trust, resilience, and unity within our city.

Our approach to law enforcement extends far beyond responding to incidents—it is rooted in prevention, education, and empowerment. Together with the community, we are building a foundation for a safer and more prosperous Parsons. The following highlights encapsulate both the challenges we have faced and the triumphs we have achieved, underscoring how our shared dedication has propelled us forward in protecting and serving our city.

This year, we have faced both triumphs and trials, but through it all, our commitment to this community has been unwavering. By working hand-in-hand with our residents, we have achieved a level of trust and cooperation that serves as the foundation of our success. Whether addressing pressing issues or celebrating milestones, these partnerships have been pivotal.

Our department's philosophy is grounded in the belief that public safety is a shared responsibility. We recognize that fostering a safe and vibrant community requires not only effective law enforcement but also the empowerment of our citizens. By encouraging proactive engagement, we aim to create an environment where every individual feels they have a role in building a better Parsons.

From advancements in policy management to the establishment of specialized units that address critical concerns, our department has demonstrated resilience and adaptability. Each step forward reflects a collective effort—of officers, staff, and the community—toward shared goals of safety, justice, and well-being.

Together with our community, we have made significant strides

in public safety, and I'm honored to highlight the many successes we've achieved. This included our continuing comment to the Kansas Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (KLEAP). Our efforts will continue as we progress through the process and gain the departments first law enforcement accreditation for the City of Parsons in 2025.

Crime Trends & Community Confidence

In 2024, we saw a notable decline in overall crime across every reportable category except for felony domestic violence and theft, which remain areas of critical focus. The reductions in assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, and other crimes are a direct result of the hard work of our dedicated officers and the trust placed in us by the community. However, it is important to remember that the police do not create crime, they are called to respond to it. The livability and economic stability of our community are central to fostering a safe environment, and as such, economic development remains one of the best tools for crime prevention.

Domestic Violence Unit & Victim Advocacy

This year, we launched a grant-funded Domestic Violence Unit, which has already made a significant impact. Staffed with a dedicated sergeant, victim advocate, and intern, the unit has bolstered confidence among victims and survivors, reinforcing our commitment to justice and compassion. This initiative represents a vital step forward in addressing one of the most pressing issues facing our community.



Drug Enforcement — Federal-Level Results

Through tireless efforts by our detectives and strategic partnerships with the Kansas Bureau of Investigation and the DEA, we secured nearly two dozen federal felony drug arrests. These operations dismantled a major trafficking network, earning our department the Bronze Unit Citation for Uncommon



CHIEF OF POLICE

Continued



Valor from the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police. This recognition reflects the hundreds of investigative hours and the exceptional interagency collaboration that made these results possible.

Policy Excellence & Traffic Safety



Once again, our agency earned the prestigious Lexipol Gold Award for Policy Management—our fifth consecutive year of recognition. This award highlights our commitment to training, policy updates, and accountability. Additionally, Lieutenant Kyle Wiford led our traffic safety unit to achieve the Silver Traffic Safety Award for the ninth year in a row, underscoring our effective crash reduction strategies

and public education initiatives.

Strengthening Community Connections

Building trust and relationships with our residents remains a core principle of our policing philosophy. Key community engagement efforts this year include:

- ♦ Public Safety Fair: Our annual fair continued to grow, offering families a blend of education and entertainment that strengthened ties between officers and residents.
- ♦ Coffee with a Cop: These informal neighborhood events

provided an opportunity for open dialogue, receiving overwhelmingly positive feedback from participants.

- ♦ Public Presentations: Through forums at schools and civic organizations, we reinforced our “See It, Hear It, Report It” philosophy, empowering citizens to take an active role in public safety.

Professional Development & Recognition

Our investment in leadership development remains a priority. In May 2024, Lieutenants Kyle Wiford and Jason Ludwig successfully completed the nine-month Leadership Labette program, further enhancing our department’s leadership capabilities. Several of our officers also received well-deserved honors, including Corporal Rory Johnson, who was awarded the Silver Uncommon Valor Award at the Kansas Chiefs Spring Conference.

Looking Ahead

As we celebrate these accomplishments, we remain steadfast in our focus on addressing the challenges that lie ahead, particularly in combating domestic violence and theft. Our vision for 2025 includes continued emphasis on community engagement, proactive crime prevention measures, and data-driven policies that reflect the needs and concerns of the people we serve.

To every officer, staff member, partner agency, and citizen: thank you for your trust, collaboration, and dedication to making Parsons a safe and resilient community. Your collective efforts have made 2024 a year of meaningful progress, and I look forward with optimism and confidence to what we can achieve together in 2025.



With respect and appreciation,

Robert Spinks, MA, MS
Chief of Police



DEPUTY CHIEF

Deputy Chief Dennis Dodd, BS



DC Dennis Dodd

As the Deputy Chief of the Parsons Police Department, I am honored to serve as second-in-command of a dedicated, full-service law enforcement agency made up of 26 sworn officers and 10 civilian staff. Together, we are committed to protecting and serving the nearly 10,000

residents who call Parsons home, as well as the many visitors who travel through our vibrant city each year.

My role involves overseeing the daily operations of the department, supervising personnel, managing agency-wide projects, and ensuring that our primary divisions, Uniform Patrol, Investigations, and the School Resource Officer (SRO) Program, operate with efficiency, integrity, and purpose.



With more than two decades of law enforcement experience, I have built a leadership philosophy grounded in accountability, transparency, and professional development. I take great pride in

mentoring both officers and civilian staff, encouraging them to become servant-minded leaders dedicated to public safety. Our department is stronger when each member is empowered to grow and contribute at the highest level. In the past year, I have helped lead several significant initiatives aimed at advancing our department's capabilities. We established a Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center (KLETC) Training Annex right here in Parsons, allowing our personnel—and neighboring agencies—to receive essential training locally. Additionally, we developed a cutting-edge Simulator Room to enhance active shooter response readiness and provide realistic scenario-based training.

I also spearheaded major technology upgrades throughout the department, including enhancements to our communications infrastructure and data systems. In support of officer wellness and community health, I coordinated the installation of ultraviolet (UV) sanitation lights throughout our building and led the department's efforts to manage and distribute personal protective equipment (PPE) during critical times. These advancements help ensure that our agency remains resilient, safe, and ready to serve under any circumstances.

Professional development remains a personal and organizational priority. I am preparing to attend the prestigious FBI National Academy (Class #295), and I have completed the FBI L.E.E.D.A. Leadership Trilogy. My certifications include Verbal De-escalation Instructor, Biased-Based Policing Instructor, Active Shooter Level 1 Instructor, CIT (Crisis Intervention Team) Training, and Critical Incident Stress Management. I am also certified in forensic interviewing, internal affairs investigations, and have completed advanced NIMS (National Incident Management System) training through FEMA. Additionally, I participate in the Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) Use of Force Research Project to stay actively engaged in state-level best practices.



Beyond my departmental duties, I remain deeply committed to professional and community service. I serve as a liaison to the Labette Community College Criminal Justice Program and sit on several local boards, including the Labette Community College Alumni Foundation, Leadership Labette, and the Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board. I am also an active member of the Parsons Lions Club and the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE), where I collaborate with other leaders to advance law enforcement professionalism and equity.

I believe that effective policing begins with trust and collaboration. Whether organizing events like "Shop With a Cop," coordinating special programs, or mentoring future officers, I am guided by the belief that strong community partnerships are the foundation of public safety. In 2024, I was privileged to graduate from the Central States Law Enforcement Executive Development Seminar (CSLEEDS), 33rd Session—an experience that further expanded my leadership toolkit to meet the evolving challenges of modern policing.

As I reflect on the past year, I am proud of what our department has accomplished and the progress we continue to make. Every initiative we undertake is rooted in the Parsons Police Department's mission: to serve with integrity, courage, and respect. I remain deeply committed to helping lead this agency forward and to fostering a culture of excellence that benefits both our department and the community we serve.



ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES



Lieutenant Jason Ludwig



Lt. Jason Ludwig

The Administrative Services Division of the Parsons Police Department made tremendous progress in 2024, implementing several impactful initiatives and strengthening its commitment to transparency, community engagement, and operational excellence.

One of the most notable milestones was the launch of the department's new website. In a move to enhance public trust and establish a more authoritative online presence, the department transitioned from a ".com" domain to the official government domain www.parsonspdks.gov. The new site is fully operational and designed to provide streamlined access to police department news, services, and community resources. While mobile applications for Android and iOS are being planned for development in 2025, citizens can currently stay up to date with department news, safety alerts, and service information directly through the new website.

Another major achievement in 2024 was the creation of the Parsons Police Legacy Fund, launched in partnership with the Parsons Area Community Foundation. This dedicated fund supports a wide array of community-based efforts, including, the Shop with a Cop program, Public safety and policing needs, Educational scholarships for local students, Funding for youth and school athletics, such as the Parsons High School Golf Team, and Senior citizen outreach initiatives



Operating under the guiding principle of "Building Better Together," the Legacy Fund empowers the

community to invest in long-term, meaningful change through sustained support of local law enforcement and civic programs. To support the fund, the department held its inaugural Guardians of the Greens Charity Golf Scramble. The event, hosted at the Katy Golf Club, was a resounding success. Much of the event's success is owed to the tireless efforts of community supporter Tom Davis, whose leadership helped establish what promises to become an annual tradition of giving and fellowship.

Transparency and consistent communication remained a top

priority. The Administrative Services Division issued 58 official press releases in 2024, providing timely updates on public safety, department accomplishments, and community advisories. The department also maintained an active and informative presence on social media platforms like Meta (Facebook), X (formerly Twitter), Nextdoor.com. These channels help ensure that all members of the public, regardless of their preferred method of communication, have access to relevant and accurate information from their police department.

The department once again earned the Lexipol Gold Award for Excellence in Policy Management this is the fifth consecutive year receiving this distinguished honor. This award reflects our steadfast dedication to maintaining up-to-date, legally sound, and professionally recognized policies that guide daily operations.



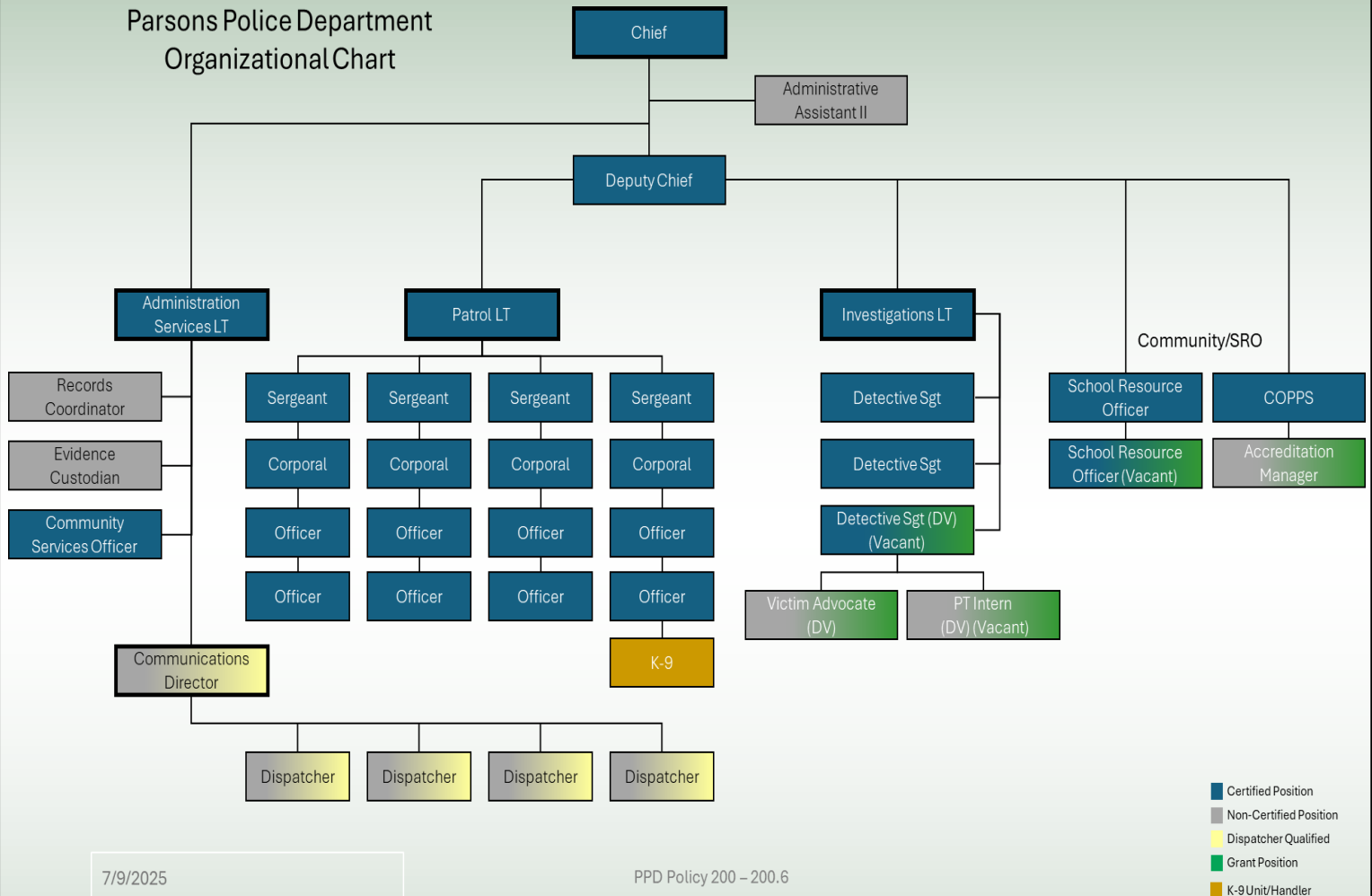
In addition to policy excellence, the department continued to enhance emergency response capabilities. Thanks to a generous grant from Labette Community College, the department received six Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) to expand life-saving capabilities in the field. Along with the equipment, all department members underwent First Aid and AED training, and six personnel became certified Red Cross instructors, allowing the department to maintain in-house training and certification continuity for years to come. 2024 also saw the final installation of Flock Safety Automatic License Plate Readers (ALPRs). These state-of-the-art devices provide real-time alerts to law enforcement when vehicles associated with crimes, missing persons (AMBER or Silver Alerts), or other public safety alerts are detected. The implementation of Flock ALPR technology has already proven beneficial in active investigations and helps enhance situational awareness for responding officers.

As we turn toward 2025, the Parsons Police Department remains committed to upholding our core values of Pride, Professionalism, and Dedication. The progress made in 2024 reflects our ongoing mission to better serve and protect the citizens of Parsons through innovation, integrity, and community partnership. We look forward to continuing this momentum and building an even stronger department in the year to come.



Parsons Police Department

Organizational Chart



The Parsons Police Department is a full-service law enforcement agency, operating 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to ensure the safety and well-being of our community. The department is organized into four key divisions: Administration, Investigations, Patrol, and Communications.

Our Patrol and Communications Divisions provide continuous service and are always accessible to the public, while our Investigations Division maintains an on-call rotation to respond to major incidents and felony-level crimes.

In 2024, the Parsons Police Department responded to 28,371 calls for service. As the City of Parsons encompasses nearly half of the county's population, our department plays a vital role in safeguarding a significant portion of the region's residents.

We are committed to serving the citizens of Parsons with unwavering Pride, Professionalism, and Dedication.



PATROL



Lieutenant Kyle Wiford, BS



Lt. Kyle Wiford

The Patrol Division operates with four 12-hour shifts, each composed of at a minimum of four officers per shift. These shifts are comprised of a supervisor, either a Patrol Sergeant, or Corporal, and then officers are a Senior Officer, and two Sector Officers (East and West). Patrol shifts have been understaffed throughout the entirety of 2024, working with three officers per shift. The Patrol Sergeant reports directly to the Patrol Lieutenant. To ensure the safety and protection of the City of Parsons, we maintain a minimum staffing level of three officers per shift.

Field Training and New Officers:

In 2024, we welcomed several new officers, who successfully completed the Field Training Program. Our dedicated team of Field Training Officers—Lt. Kyle Wiford, Sgt. Keenen Roberts, and Cpl. Christian Smith, and Sgt. Charles Brown—worked diligently to guide each recruit through the twelve-week field training, which consists of approximately 500 hours of field training, following their completion of the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center Basic Academy. Only after this intensive training are new officers assigned to patrol shifts.

The new officers for 2024 include:

- ◆ Off. Anthony Allison
- ◆ Off. Brett Malle
- ◆ Off. Corie Brown
- ◆ Off. Tyller White

Operational Highlights:

Personal Contacts: The Patrol Division engages with the community through over 40,000 personal contacts annually. These range from calls for service [21,486], traffic stops [2,031], and crash responses [150] to general on-duty interactions, calls/requests handled by phone and special community events. Patrol Officers are a visible presence in the community, earning public trust and serving with dedication.

Arrests and Traffic Enforcement: In 2024, Parsons Patrol Officers made 858 arrests, conducted 2,031 traffic stops, issued

1,308 citations, and 1,384 written warnings were issued.

Crash Investigations: The Patrol Division investigated 150 vehicle crashes in 2024, demonstrating our commitment to road safety and thorough incident response.



Notable Personnel Changes:

- In April 2024, School Resource Officer Shyanne Dunn was promote to Corporal.
- In June 2024, Patrol Corporal Christian Smith was promoted to Patrol Sergeant.

Patrol Lieutenant's Message:

"The 2024 chapter for the Parsons Police Department's Patrol Division has concluded, and I want to commend our team for a year of significant achievements and dedicated service. We've successfully worked to reduce crime, strengthened community relations, and embraced new technologies to enhance our operations. We as a Division have embraced the Police2Peace model to police as Peace Officers by being Effective, Empathetic and Just. Despite challenges like the rise in mental health-related incidents, domestic violence, and cybercrimes, their resilience and professionalism have been exemplary. As we continue through 2025, we will focus on advanced training, community collaboration, and officer wellness. Thank you for your hard work and commitment to making our community safer."

Patrol Division Responsibilities:

The Patrol Division's duties include, but are not limited to:



PATROL



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- Maintaining public safety by preserving order, responding to emergencies, protecting people and property, enforcing laws, and promoting community relations.
- Identifying, pursuing, and arresting suspects and perpetrators of criminal acts.
- Recording facts and preparing reports documenting incidents and activities.
- Providing first aid to accident victims and other injured persons.
- Testifying in court and presenting evidence in traffic and criminal cases.
- Evaluating complaint and emergency request information to determine response requirements.
- Patrolling designated areas, responding to calls for assistance promptly.
- Monitoring, reporting, and investigating suspicious activities, safety hazards, and illegal activities.



regulations and safe driving practices.

- Investigating traffic and other accidents to determine causes and potential criminal involvement.
- Photographing or drawing crime or accident scenes and interviewing witnesses.
- Monitoring traffic to ensure adherence to regulations and safe driving practices.
- Issuing citations or warnings for traffic ordinance violations.
- Directing traffic flow and rerouting in emergencies.
- Informing citizens of community services and



recommending solutions for longer-term problems.

- Providing road information to assist motorists.
- Processing and maintaining records of prisoner bookings and status.
- Inspecting public establishments for compliance with regulations.
- Acting as official escorts for events like funeral processions or firefighter parades.

The Patrol Division is the face of the Parsons Police Department, working tirelessly to uphold our core values of Pride, Professionalism, and Dedication. We remain committed to serving our community with integrity and excellence.

Thank you to all the members of the Patrol Division for your hard work and dedication in 2024. We look forward to continuing our mission in 2025.

Lieutenant



Kyle Wiford

P a t r o l



P.R.O.P.

Parsons Registered Offender Program End of Year Report



Since its inception in December 2020, the Parsons Registered Offender Program (PROP) has made substantial progress in ensuring compliance among registered offenders in our community. PROP was established to address a critical issue: a 41% non-compliance rate among Registered Drug, Sex, and Violent Offenders within Parsons. Over the past four years, our dedicated team has worked tirelessly to rectify this situation and enhance public safety through a collaboration with the Labette County Sheriff's Office and the Labette County Attorney's Office.

Felony Investigations and Arrests: PROP has conducted Forty-Eight (48) felony investigations into violations of offender registration in Parsons. These investigations have led to Thirty-One (31) arrests and Seventeen (17) cases for felony charges by long-form. These efforts have been instrumental in reducing non-compliance and holding offenders accountable.

Inter-jurisdictional Collaboration: PROP has extended its reach beyond Parsons by assisting and working with other jurisdictions with offender investigations. This collaboration has strengthened our overall capacity to manage and monitor registered offenders, contributing to a broader impact on public safety.

Significant Reduction in Non-Compliance: At the end of 2024, the non-compliance rate of Registered Offenders in Parsons decreased to under 10%. This marks a remarkable 30% reduction in non-compliance since PROP's establishment. This achievement is a testament to the program's effectiveness and the commitment of our team.

In 2024 alone, PROP conducted sixteen (16) investigations that included Eight (8) counts of Aggravated Violation of Offender Registration and Forty (40) counts of Violation of Offender Registration. There were Ten (10) Felony arrests made, and Six (6) Felony Cases filed by long-form. PROP also conducted Eighty-Four (84) compliance checks on offenders. This included the first PROP Halloween Operation Safe Trick or Treat, where all sex offenders in Parsons were checked for compliance during the month of October. These numbers reflect our focused and intensive efforts throughout the year to ensure compliance and accountability among registered offenders.

The Parsons Police Department is committed to ensuring that registered offenders in our community are aware of the support services available to assist them in succeeding and not reoffending. While holding offenders accountable to their

requirements under the Kansas Offender Registration Act, we also strive to keep community members safe and informed about the registered offenders living in our area. This dual approach of support and accountability is crucial for the ongoing success of PROP and the safety of our community.

This program is aimed at monitoring registered offenders in our jurisdiction and identifying violating offenders and non-registered offenders living in Parsons.

As we look forward in 2025, PROP will continue to focus on maintaining and further reducing non-compliance rates. Our priorities include:

Enhanced Monitoring and Enforcement: We will continue to employ rigorous monitoring and enforcement strategies to ensure registered offenders adhere to their legal obligations.

Community Awareness and Education: We will work to increase community awareness about the importance of offender registration compliance and the role it plays in public safety.

Inter-agency Collaboration: Strengthening our partnerships with other law enforcement agencies, parole/probation officers, state partners and community groups to Possession of certain chemicals with intent to use them in the manufacture of a controlled substance

State of Kansas Offender Categories: The State of Kansas monitors three categories of registered offenders:

- ◆ Sex Offenders
- ◆ Violent Offenders
- ◆ Drug Offenders

In conclusion, PROP's achievements over the past three years demonstrate our unwavering commitment to enhancing public safety and ensuring offender accountability. The significant reduction in non-compliance rates is a direct result of the hard work and dedication of our team. We look forward to building on this success and continuing to make a positive impact in our community.

Lieutenant

Kyle Wiford



INVESTIGATIONS

Lieutenant Sherri McGuire, BS



Lt. Sherri McGuire

The Investigation Division is tasked with providing investigative support to patrol, criminal investigations, and narcotics investigation. This entails being lead investigators on all **major crimes** within the City of Parsons. The Investigations Division also works with outside agencies to coordinate investigations that involve criminal activity which may begin in our community and spread out

to other jurisdictions.

In 2024, the Parsons Police Department's Investigations Division saw another big change. Lieutenant Detective Sherri McGuire and Sgt. Brice Dickens welcomed two new detectives, Det. Sgt. Tony Adamson and Det. Sgt. Tim Gilliland.

Sgt. Detective Tony Adamson joined the detective unit in February of 2024. Sgt. Detective Adamson moved over from patrol where he was a patrol sergeant and a field training officer.

Sgt. Detective Tim Gilliland came to the Parsons Police Department from the Labette County Sheriff's Office. Detective Gilliland came to the department with knowledge of drug cases.

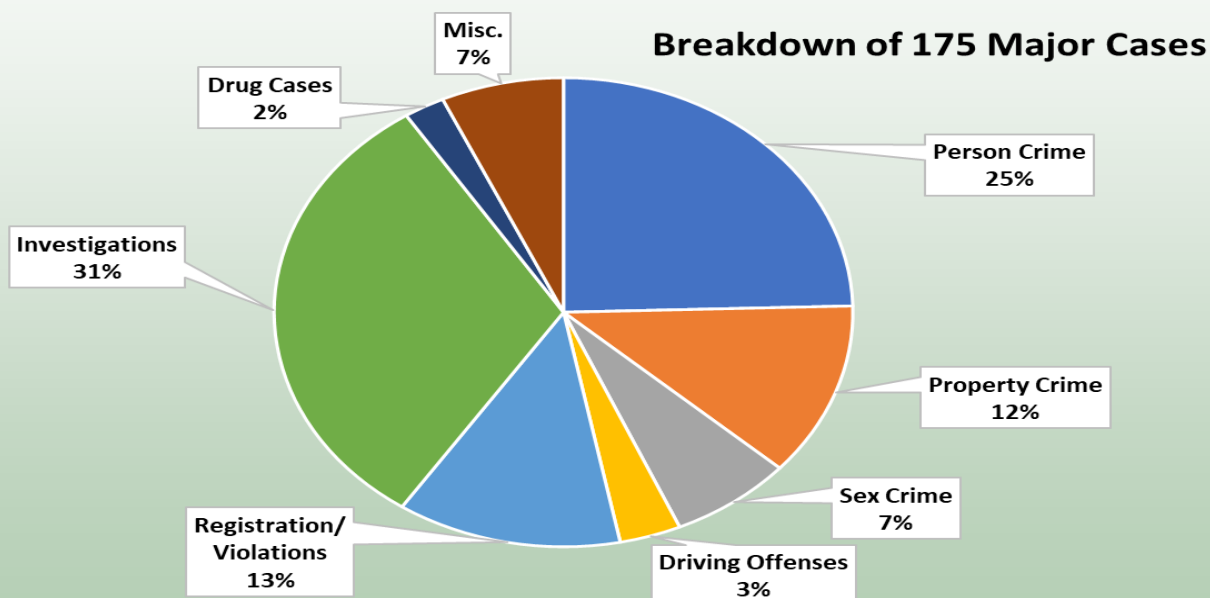
Detective Dickens started a drug investigation before he joined the detective unit and continued the investigation after moving over. This investigation involved the Parsons Police

Department investigation unit, Kansas Bureau of Investigation, Labette County Sheriff's Office, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and the Oklahoma Highway Patrol. The investigation ended at the end of 2024 and led to 18 federal indictments.

In February of 2023, the police department applied for a Federal Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program grant for two years of funding to establish a demonstration program to address domestic violence and violent crimes in Parsons, Kansas.

In April of 2024, the police department was notified that they had been awarded the grant. Detective Adamson transitioned to the newly formed Domestic Violence Unit. Cyprus Jones was hired as the Domestic Violence Coordinator. The Domestic Violence Unit officially opened September 2024. In 2024, with the opening of the unit, 16 victims were assisted. For the year 2024, 74 felony arrests were made, and 111 misdemeanor cases were filed.

The investigations division worked **175 cases**, all new cases for 2024. These **175 cases** ranged from traffic infractions, violent, person felonies of homicide, rape, aggravated battery/assault, felony drug cases, and other criminal investigations. We have continued to partner with other local, state, and federal outside agencies and strive to provide the highest level of criminal investigations to serve the citizenry of Parsons. We look forward to another outstanding year in 2025.





PARSONS

COMMUNITY LIVABILITY



Behavioral and property-based crimes often serve as key indicators of a community's overall livability. These offenses—such as criminal damage, criminal trespass, runaway reports, domestic violence incidents, and disorderly conduct—not only reflect the immediate state of public safety but can also act as precursors to more serious criminal activity if left unaddressed.

Monitoring and responding to these “quality of life” crimes allows law enforcement and the community to recognize early warning signs and intervene before patterns of behavior escalate. In Parsons, these crimes are closely tracked and analyzed. As the accompanying chart illustrates, a sustained reduction in these offenses correlates with an increase in community livability. In essence, fewer behavioral and property crimes contribute to a healthier, safer, and more vibrant city.

This approach aligns with the well-established **Broken Windows Theory** of crime prevention, which suggests that ignoring minor violations fosters an environment conducive to

more serious crime. Conversely, addressing these smaller issues early and consistently helps prevent neighborhoods from deteriorating and supports long-term community stability.

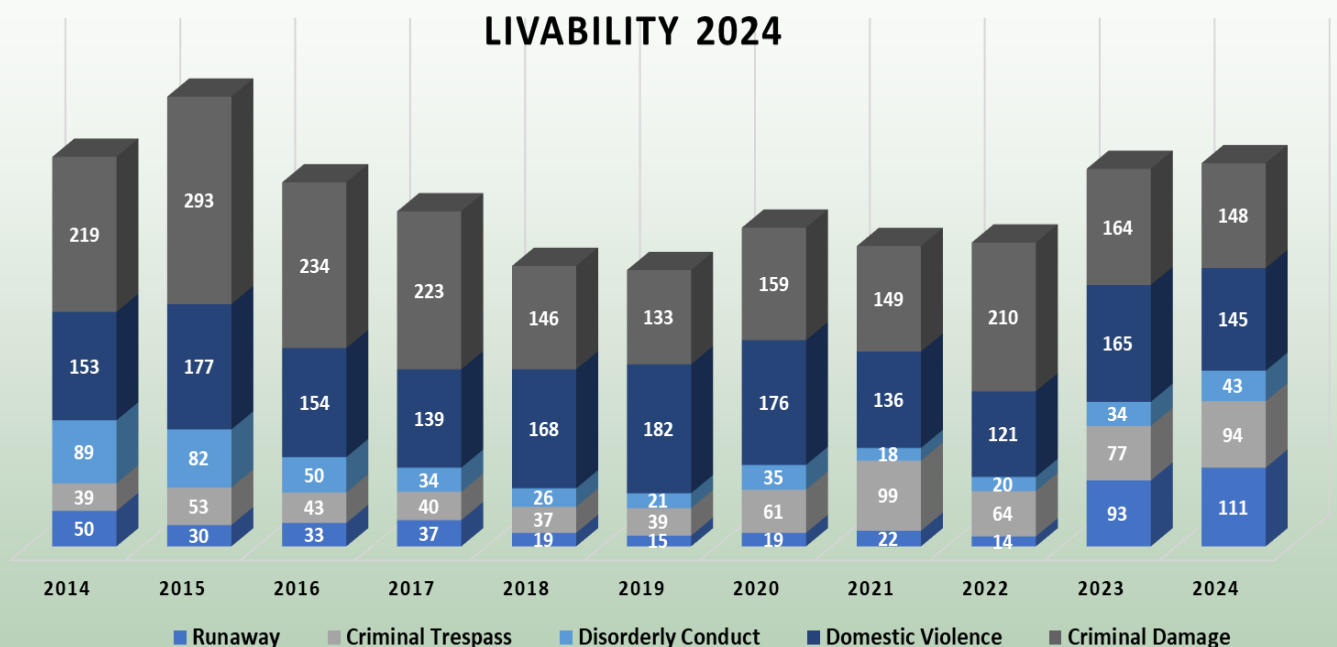
In a small community like Parsons, it is particularly effective to apply this model. By identifying and responding to unkempt properties, abandoned vehicles, nuisance code violations, and other minor offenses, the Parsons Police Department works proactively to improve the quality of life for all residents. Crime mapping in these areas often reinforces the connection between environmental neglect and increased criminal activity.



Police 2 Peace Award

To support these efforts, the department has embraced the **“See It, Hear It, Report It”** philosophy—an

initiative designed to empower residents to take an active role in community safety. Public engagement is essential. It truly takes the entire community working together to enhance livability and maintain a safe and welcoming environment for everyone in Parsons.



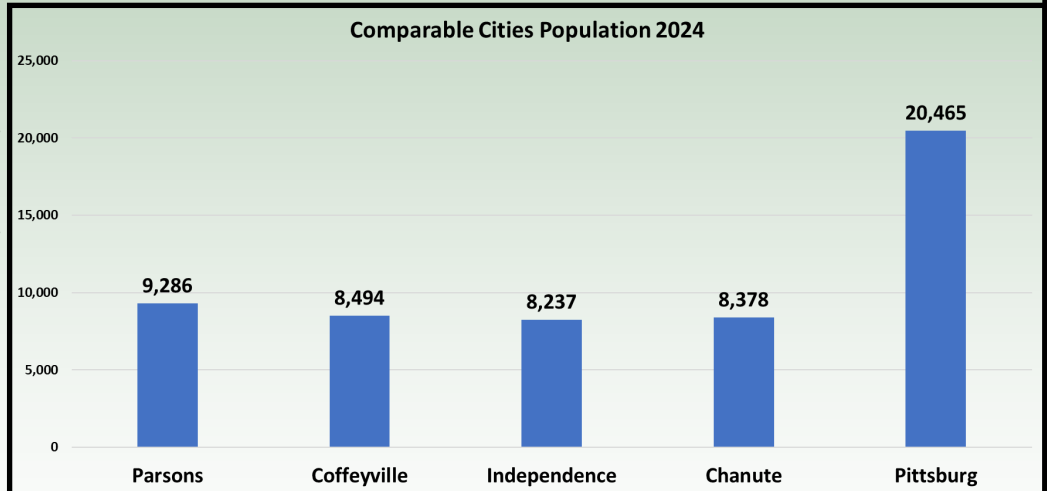


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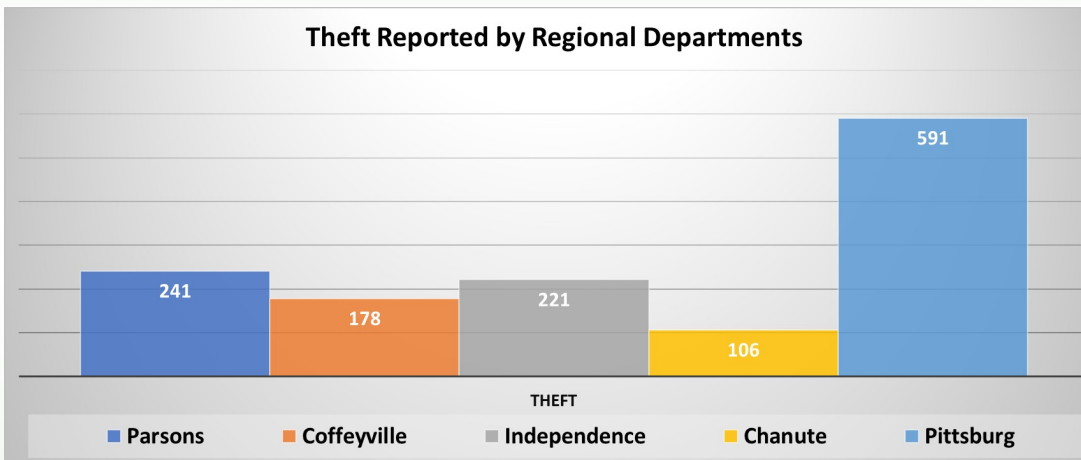
UNDERSTANDING CRIME: WHAT IS UCR?



The Parsons Police Department reports **ALL** collected crime data to the **Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI)**, which serves as the clearinghouse for collected crime data in the State of Kansas. **Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR)** has been a staple in crime statistics since the 1930's. The State of Kansas collects agency information and their data as part of the **Kansas Incident Based Reporting System (KIBRS)**. This data is also submitted to the FBI for their **National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS)**.

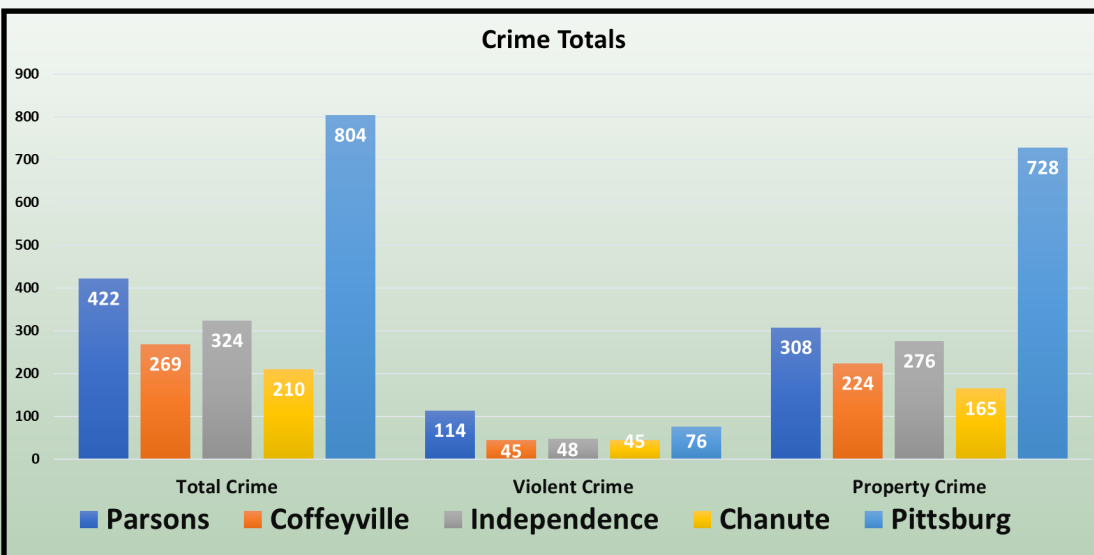


Serious Crimes include: Murder,



Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Aggravated Burglary, Theft, Motor Vehicle Theft and Arson. Simple Crimes or less serious crimes are also tracked, this is not an all inclusive list of crimes. The charts shows the local UCR crime rate. This allows a comparison between PPD and other agencies.

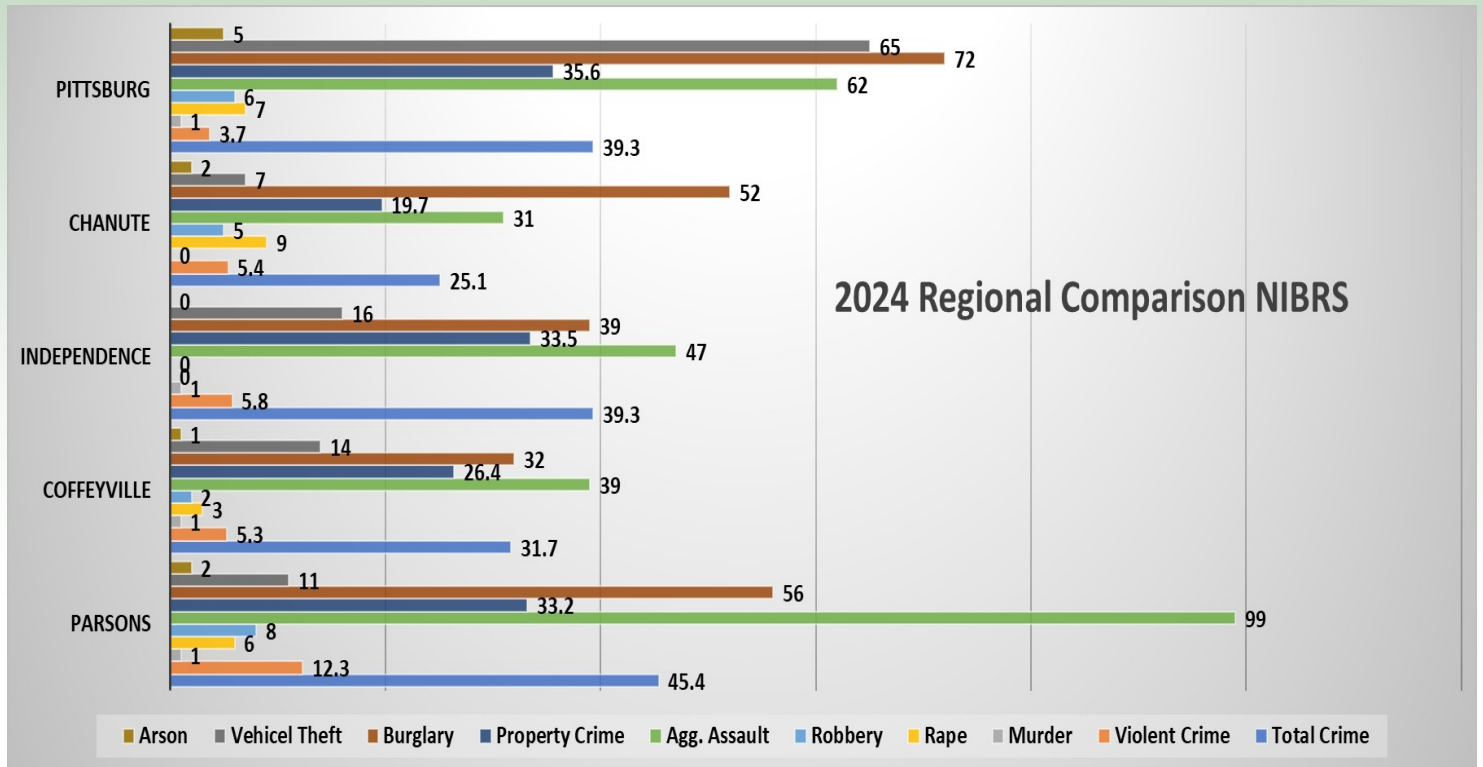
One common misconception is that the work environment for rural police officers is safer than in metropolitan communities. Yet, the data has shown for decades that the two highest risk work locations for police officers are the largest metropolitan cities and in rural communities. All other areas and sizes of communities tend to provide a safer work environment for law enforcement officers. Usually because of lower staffing, less back-up, availability of weapons and a host of factors, policing metropolitan cities and rural communities remains a risky occupation.



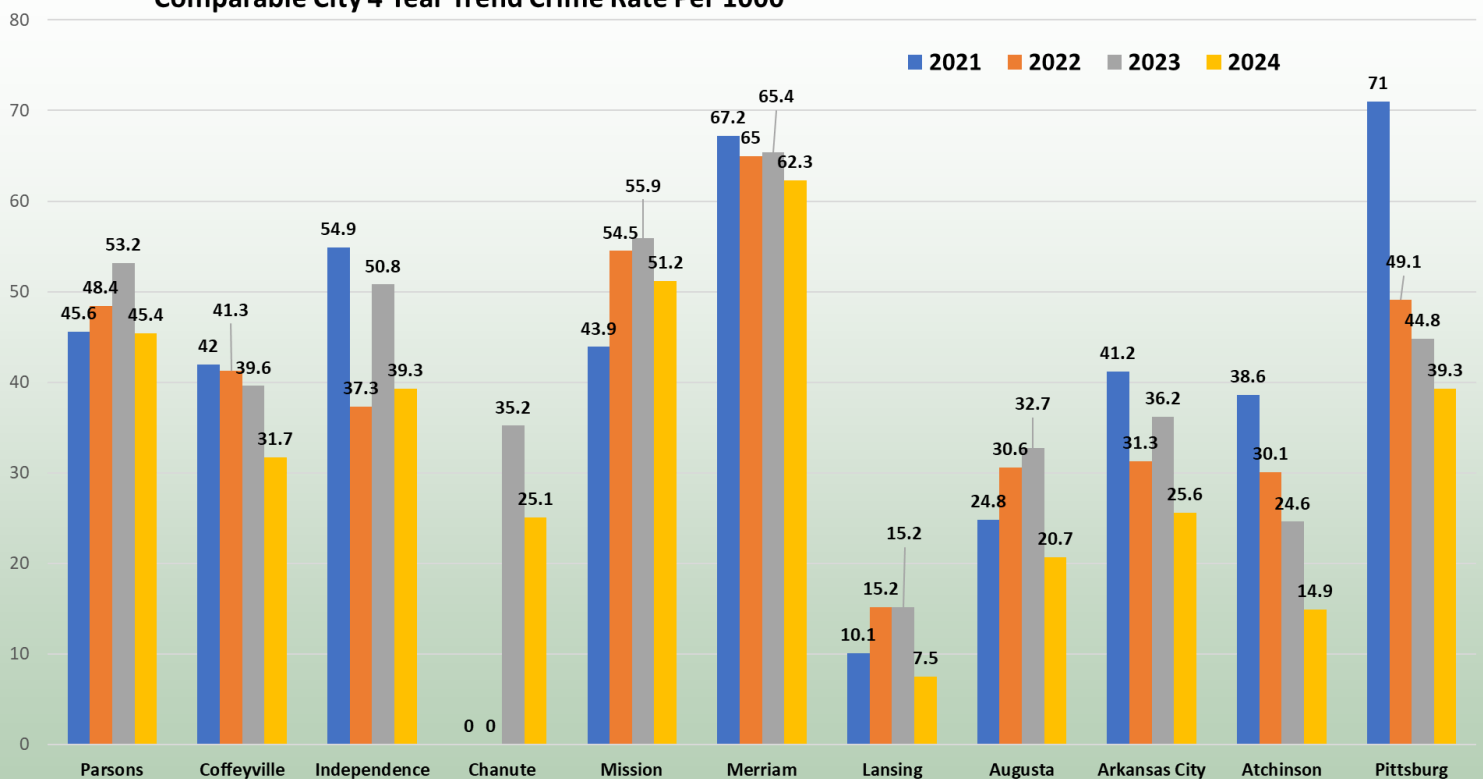


UCR

UNDERSTANDING CRIME: WHAT IS UCR / NIBRS?



Comparable City 4 Year Trend Crime Rate Per 1000



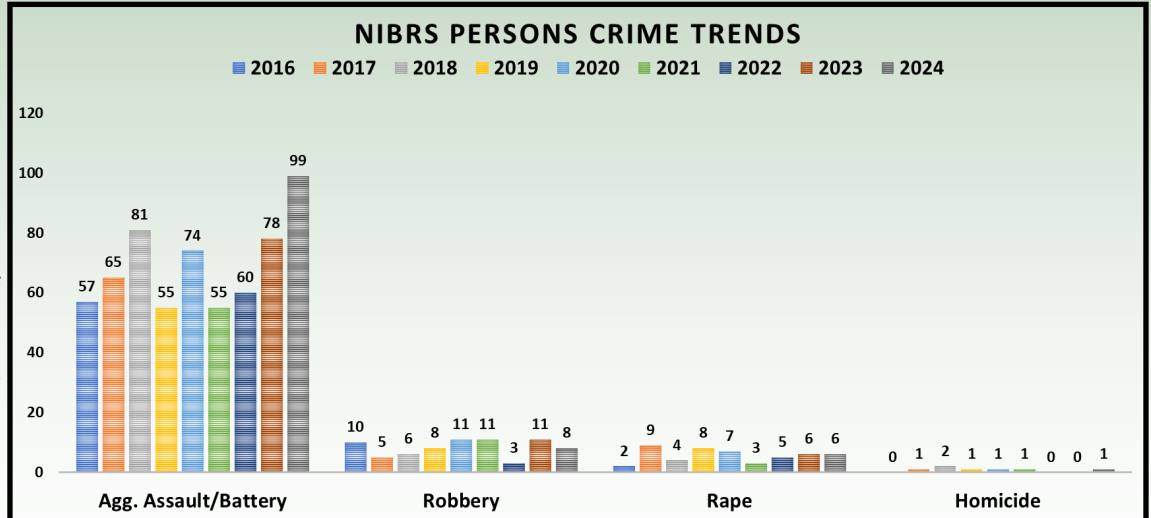


STATISTICS

NIBRS Reported Stats



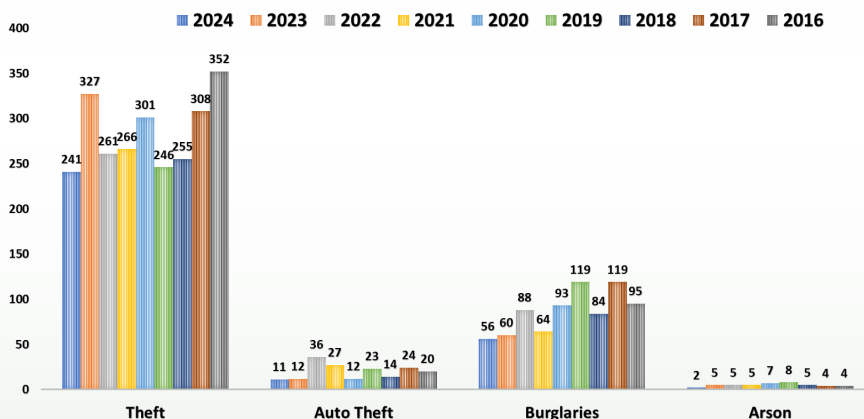
The **Uniform Crime Report (UCR)** samples only specific crimes, which allows for uniform comparison of data across city, state and regional lines. This system was created in 1928 by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP). It was then transferred to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) as a means to establish a way to systematically measure



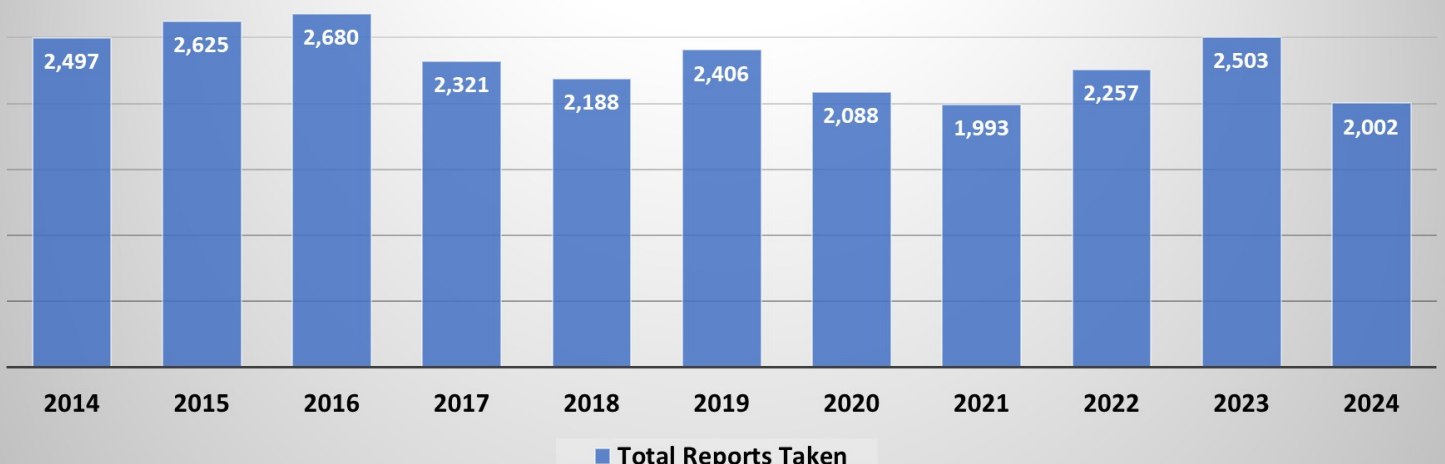
crimes across the United States. The US Department of Justice (DOJ) publishes this data annually in the **FBI Crime Data Explorer** available on-line at: <https://crime-data-explorer.fr.cloud.gov/pages/home>

What we publish for the Annual Report is from the Kansas Bureau of Investigation and is the **National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS)**. This is how the State of Kansas gathers their information for reporting to the cities. UCR and NIBRS are both means of reporting. NIBRS is what we report to the community.

NIBRS PROPERTY CRIME TRENDS



Total Reports Taken 2014 - 2024



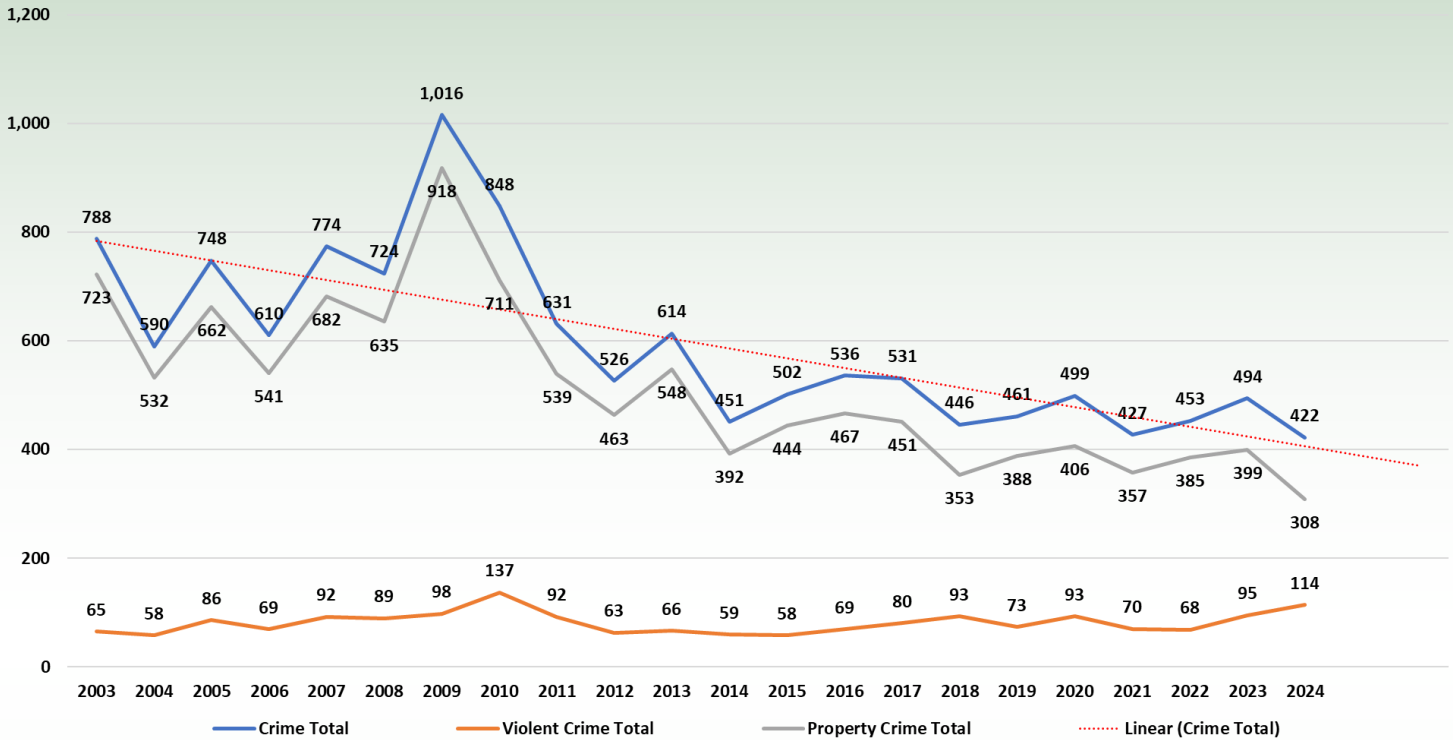


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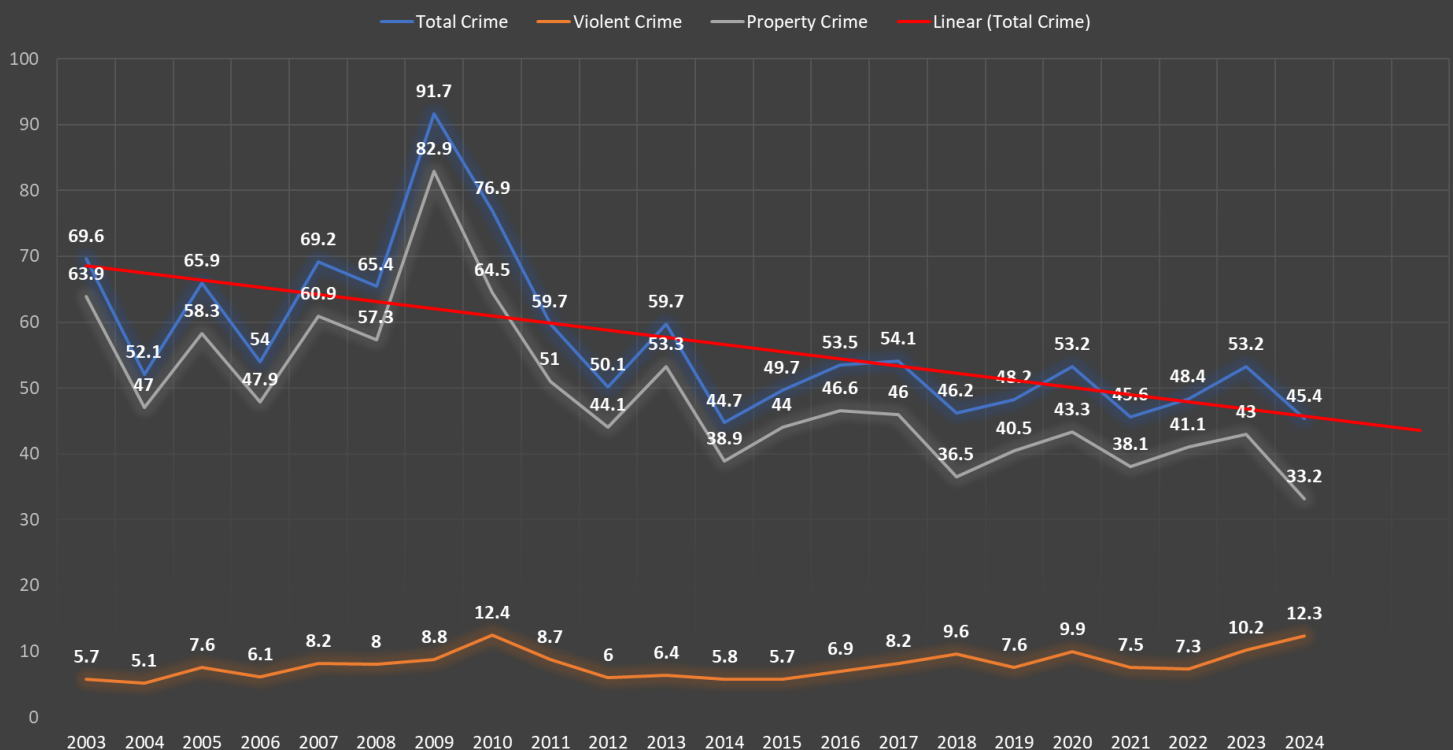
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PARSONS CRIME RATE BY ACTUAL CRIME 2003-2024



Parsons Crime Per 1000 Population 2003-2024



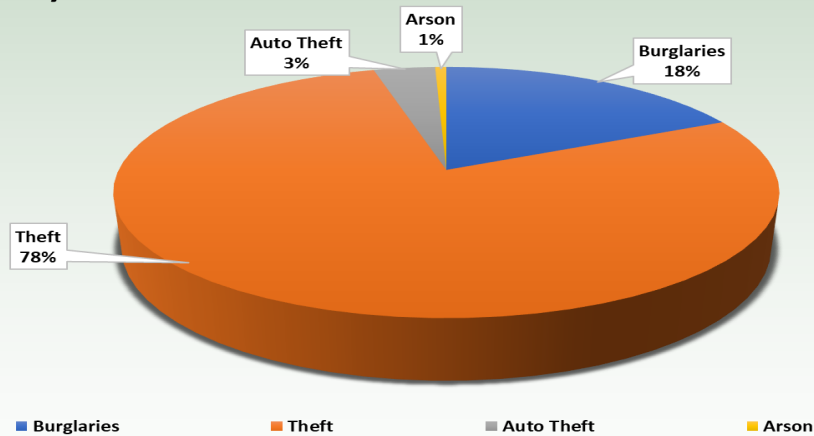


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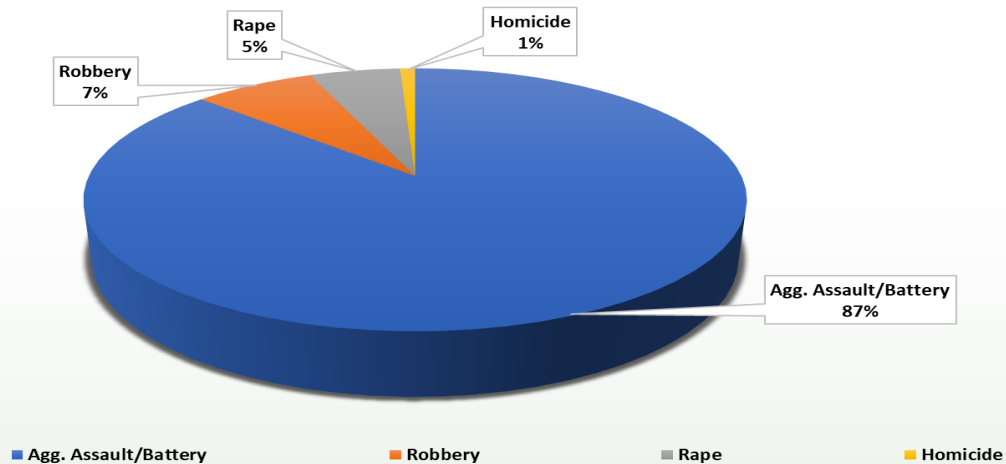
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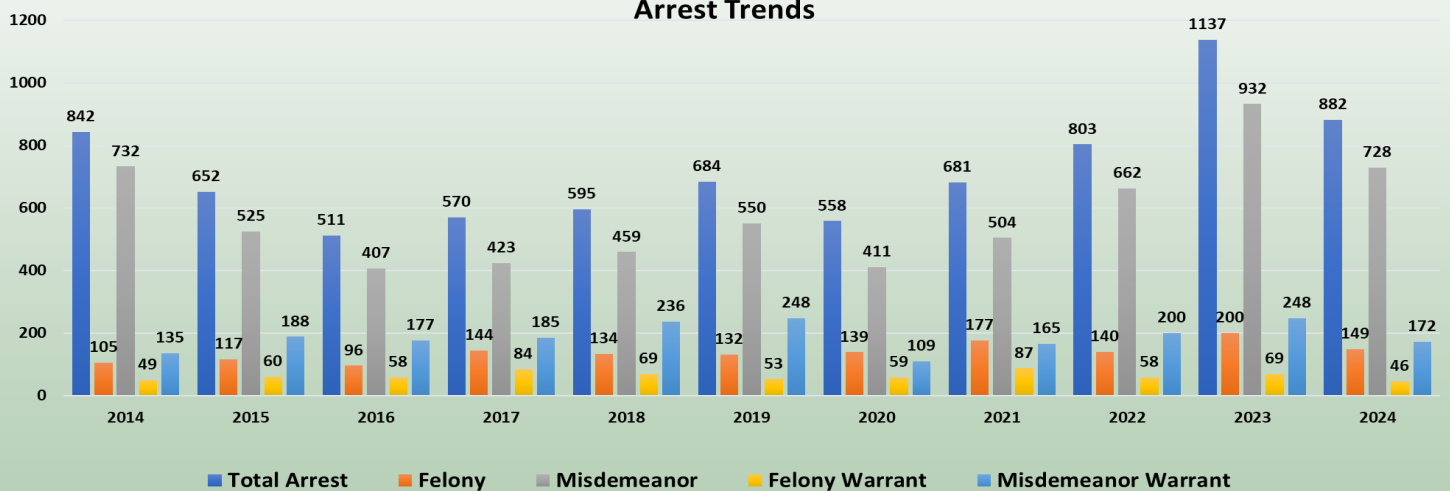
2024 Property Crimes by Incident



2024 Department NIBRS PERSONS CRIMES



Arrest Trends



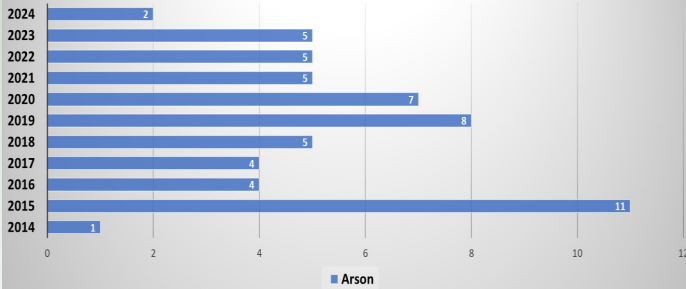


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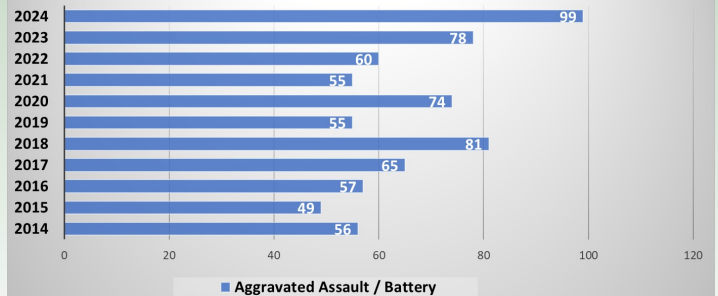


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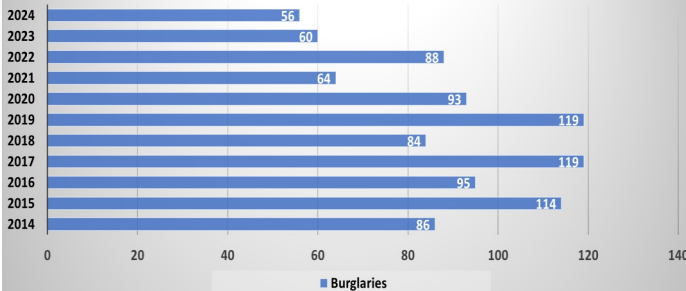
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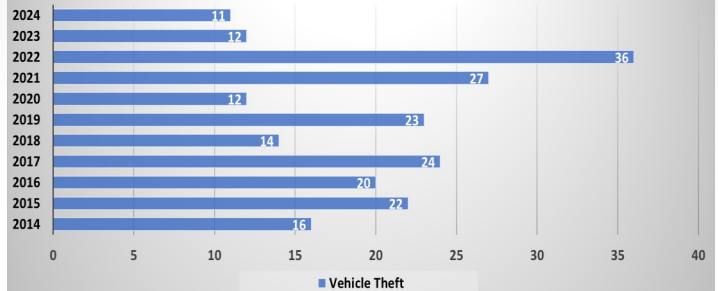
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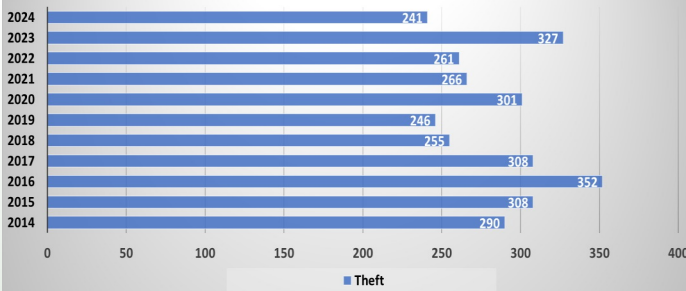
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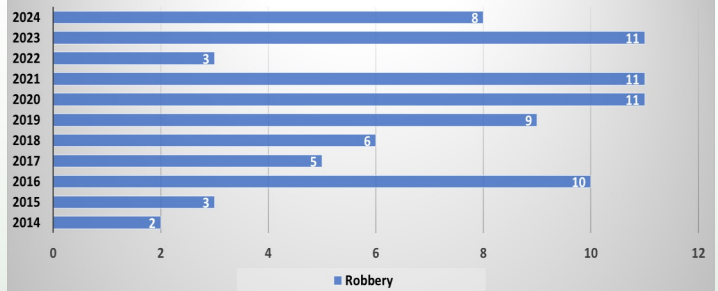
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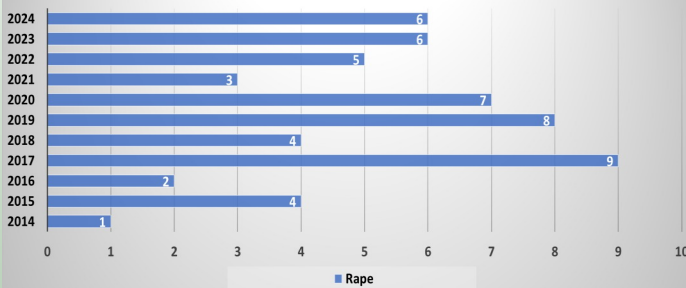
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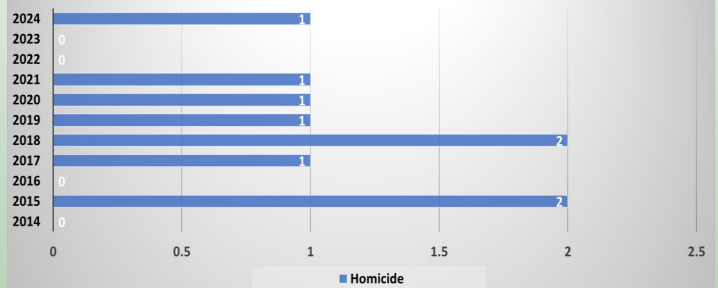
Robbery



Rape



Homicide





K-9 REPORT

Sergeant Christian Smith and K9 Morgan



Sergeant Smith

Sergeant Christian Smith and K9 Partner Morgan continues to be an invaluable asset to the Parsons Police Department and to law enforcement partners throughout the region. In 2024, K9 Morgan and handler Sgt. Smith supported a wide range of operations, contributing directly to narcotics interdiction, felony arrests.

The following report highlights key performance metrics, training efforts, and operational observations regarding the K9 Program.

Operational Deployments

- ◆ Total Deployments: 63
- ◆ Total Arrests Resulting from Deployments: 9

Assisting Agencies:

- ◆ Parsons Police Department
- ◆ Neosho County Sheriff's Office
- ◆ Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI)
- ◆ Labette County Sheriff's Office (LBSO)

Narcotics & Contraband Seizures

- ◆ Methamphetamine
- ◆ Cocaine
- ◆ Marijuana
- ◆ THC Products
- ◆ Fentanyl
- ◆ Prescription Pills
- ◆ Drug Paraphernalia
- ◆ Firearms



K9 Morgan's detection work was a key factor in the interdiction of multiple dangerous substances throughout the year. The

ability to locate and confirm the presence of narcotics continues to enhance both investigative outcomes and public safety.

Total Training Hours: 192 hours

- ◆ 16 sessions
- ◆ 2 hours each

Training Focus Areas:

- ◆ Narcotics detection
- ◆ Obedience and control
- ◆ Scenario-based deployments
- ◆ Handler safety and control exercises



Continuous and comprehensive training ensures that K9 Morgan and the assigned handler operate at peak readiness. The training regimen focuses not only on detection skills but also on safety, legal compliance, and tactical deployment.

K9 Morgan remains a vital force multiplier for the Parsons Police Department and partner agencies. Deployments are conducted with professionalism and discretion, particularly in situations where traditional probable cause may be limited or investigative options are otherwise constrained (such as during Probation/Parole compliance checks).

Morgan's detection capabilities have directly led to numerous felony arrests and the seizure of substantial quantities of narcotics and contraband in 2024. The presence of a K9 on scene consistently contributes to improved officer safety, helps secure voluntary compliance from suspects, and enhances the overall effectiveness of enforcement operations.

While this report presents measurable outcomes, it cannot fully capture the everyday impact that K9 Morgan brings to the department's mission. Whether through targeted interdiction efforts, public demonstrations, or reinforcing officer presence, K9 Morgan plays a critical role in advancing the Parsons Police Department's operational effectiveness and community engagement. The department remains committed to maintaining and investing in this vital program in the years ahead.



USE OF FORCE

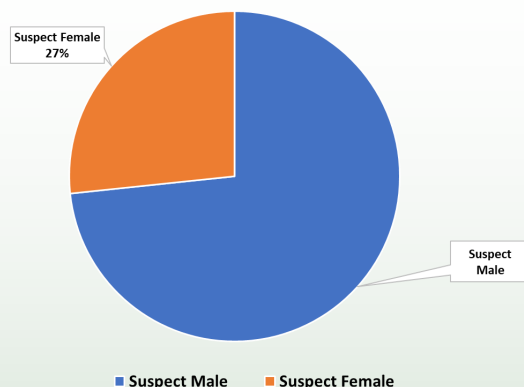
2024 Police Use of Force Review



In 2024, the Parsons Police Department demonstrated a commendable record regarding the use of force incidents, arrests, and personnel complaints. Out of the **28,371** Calls for Service and **882** arrests, only **45** incidents involved the use of force, none of which required the use of firearms. This means that individuals interacting with a Parsons Police Officer faced less than a **0.2%** chance of encountering force. Furthermore, the likelihood of force being used during an arrest was a mere **5%**. There was a drop in use of force incidents as well from 57 in 2023 to 45 in 2024.

Notably, in 2024, there were **zero racial or biased-based complaints** filed. Out of the five personnel complaints received, zero of these complaints were related to use of force incidents. As part of our commitment to transparency and accountability, the Parsons Police Department promptly forwards all Use of Force reports, as well as any racial or biased-based complaints, to the **Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI)** as mandated by our standard state reporting procedures.

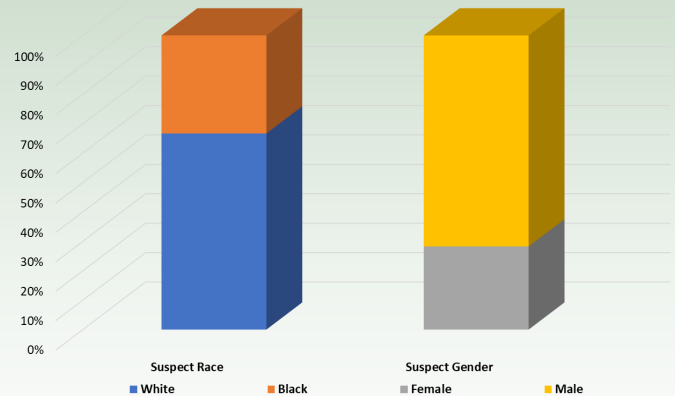
2024 Use of Force by Gender 45 Incidents



Anticipating and proactively addressing the need for police reform, the Parsons Police Department was already fully compliant with the executive order on police reform issued by the President of the United States in 2020. Our department's compliance with the executive order underscores our commitment to cultivating improved relationships and partnerships with the citizens of our community.

To enhance safety and trust during interactions with law enforcement, the department has implemented various measures. We utilize body cameras, which benefit both citizens

Use of Force Breakdown by Gender and Race

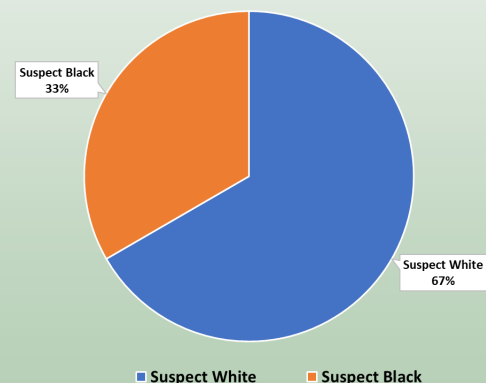


and officers by providing a visual record of encounters. Additionally, our officers undergo annual training in Racial and Biased-Based Policing, ensuring they are well-equipped to uphold fairness and equality in their interactions. Furthermore, our department is able to boast certified De-Escalation Instructors who train officers in techniques to effectively manage critical incidents and encounters, benefiting both officers and the community at large.

Through our dedication to compliance, transparency, and ongoing training, the Parsons Police Department remains committed to fostering a safe and inclusive environment for all members of our community. We strive to continually improve our practices and maintain open lines of communication to ensure that the trust and confidence of our community are upheld.

**Use of force is Defined as any force beyond voluntary handcuffing. Data is sometimes duplicated due to multiple officers or suspects.*

Use Of Force by Race 45 Incidents

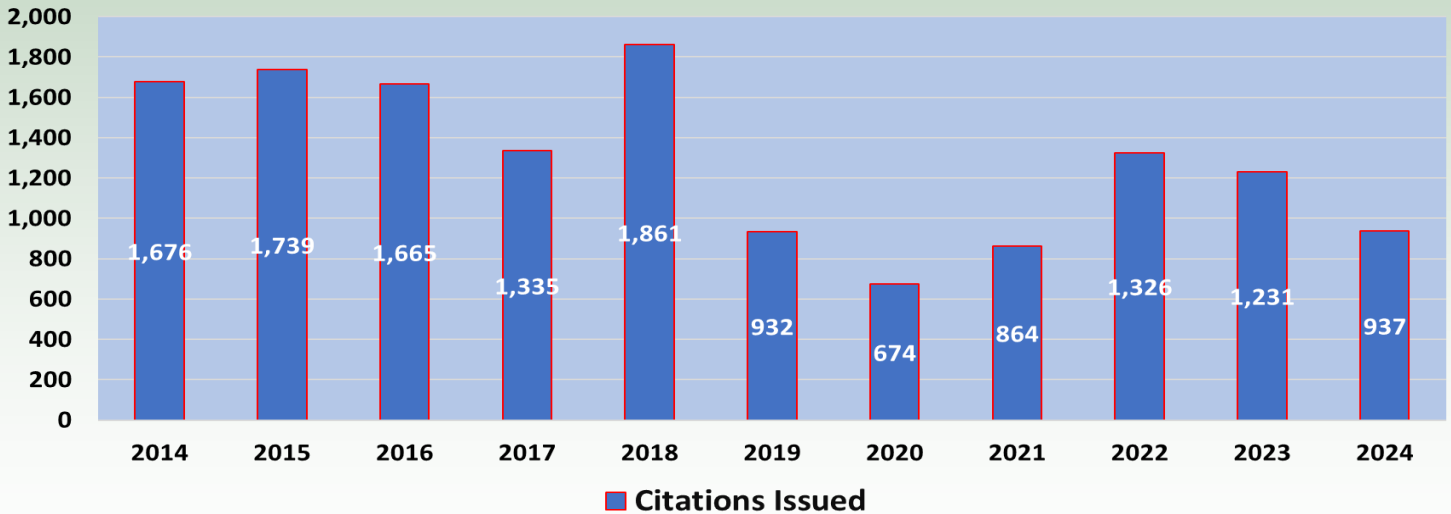




TRAFFIC REPORT



2024 Traffic Citation Data



Citations for the Parsons Police Department have been consistent in the past, but dramatically dropped in 2020 due to COVID-19 issues. However, this year we saw a decrease in citations partly due to the implication of a written warning. The graph shows that our agency is starting to get back to our pre pandemic numbers.

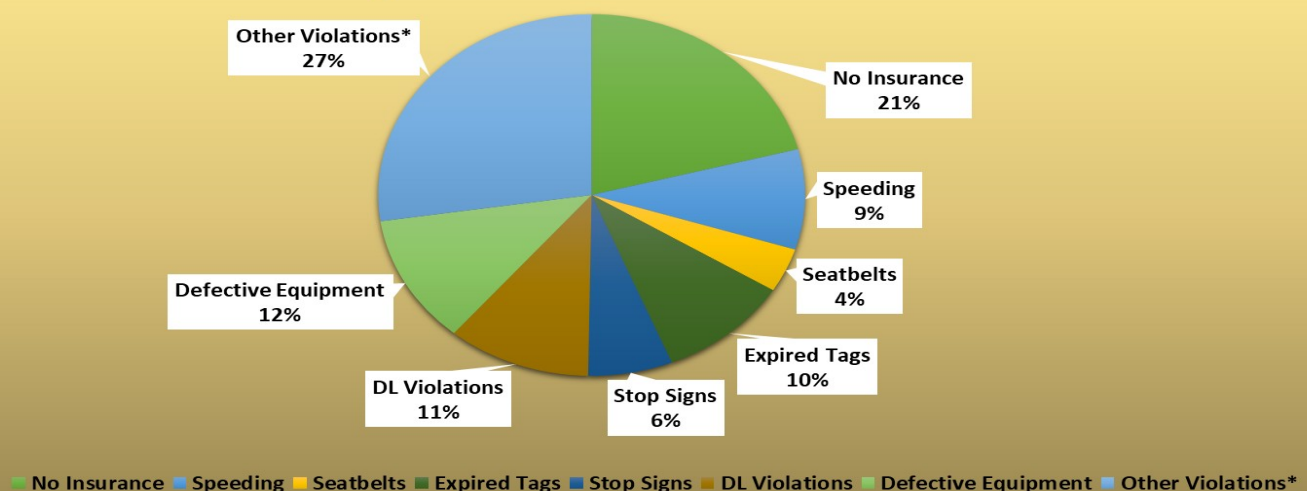
The breakdown for citations is interesting. The Pie Chart shows that our biggest issue is drivers with **No Liability Insurance**. This makes up **21%** of all our issued traffic citations and seems like a high percentage of uninsured drivers, but it can also be misinterpreted since officers write the citations for not having proof of the insurance in the vehicle. If the driver has proof of the

insurance and takes it to the municipal court, they can possibly have the charges dropped.

The largest portions of our citation totals (**27%**) this year came from miscellaneous traffic violations, misdemeanor violations, and includes city ordinance violations. This allows the Parsons Police Department to continue to use the lowest level of force to gain the highest level of voluntary compliance.

The department has also adopted written warnings to better track our effort and gather valuable data for transparency. In 2024 the department issued **1,261** written warnings and only **937** citations.

Percentages for the 937 Citations in 2024



* Small Amount of Misdemeanors are on Citations



TRAFFIC REPORT

2024 Traffic Citation Data



In 2024, the Parsons Police Department experienced a slight decrease in traffic stops and a decrease in citations compared to the previous year. This significant rise signifies the department's ongoing commitment to conducting traffic enforcement despite enduring a long-standing personnel shortage.

It is crucial to present this data to the public, considering the numerous complaints on social media regarding traffic violations. One prevalent complaint is the perception that the police solely focus on issuing seatbelt citations to fulfill a predetermined quota. However, this chart and the comprehensive traffic report demonstrate that officers prioritize maintaining road safety for all drivers through a combination of education and enforcement. Furthermore, the chart highlights the Parsons Police Department's commitment to fairness and equity in the distribution of citations relative to warnings issued.

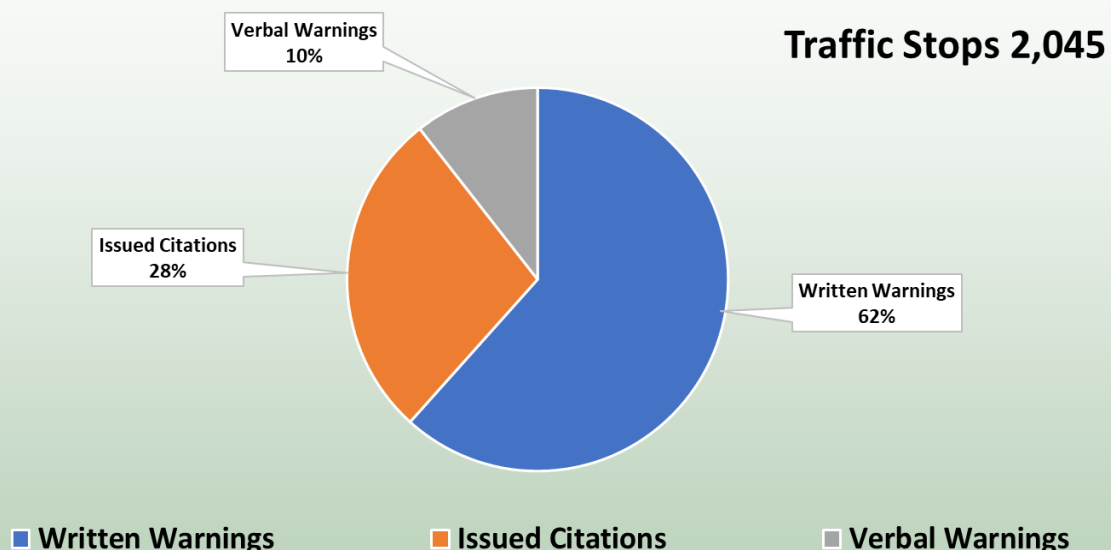
The agency's policy emphasizes the use of the least amount of enforcement to gain the highest level of voluntary compliance. The ultimate goal is to reduce traffic crashes and ensure the safety of not only vehicles but also pedestrians and bicyclists.

In 2024, the Parsons Police Department achieved an average

citation-to-stop ratio of **28%**. This change can be attributed to the impact of a higher number of traffic stops made in but resulted in a written warning. As staffing levels increase and newer faces join the department more traffic stops were conducted. In keeping with the police department's mantra of education over enforcement we wrote significantly more written warnings than citations. Below the national average for citation versus warnings and education over enforcement shows that the Parsons Police Department is Effective, Empathetic and Just, as the Police 2 Peace motto states.

According to a 2015 survey conducted by the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS), **the national average estimated that approximately 49% of traffic stops resulted in citations or enforcement actions.** In comparison, the Parsons Police Department is well below the national average in terms of citations issued during traffic stops, which proves that we are determined to educate the public to meet our public safety challenges.

*This information was obtained from an outside source: <https://www.bjs.gov/content/pub/pdf/cpp15.pdf>



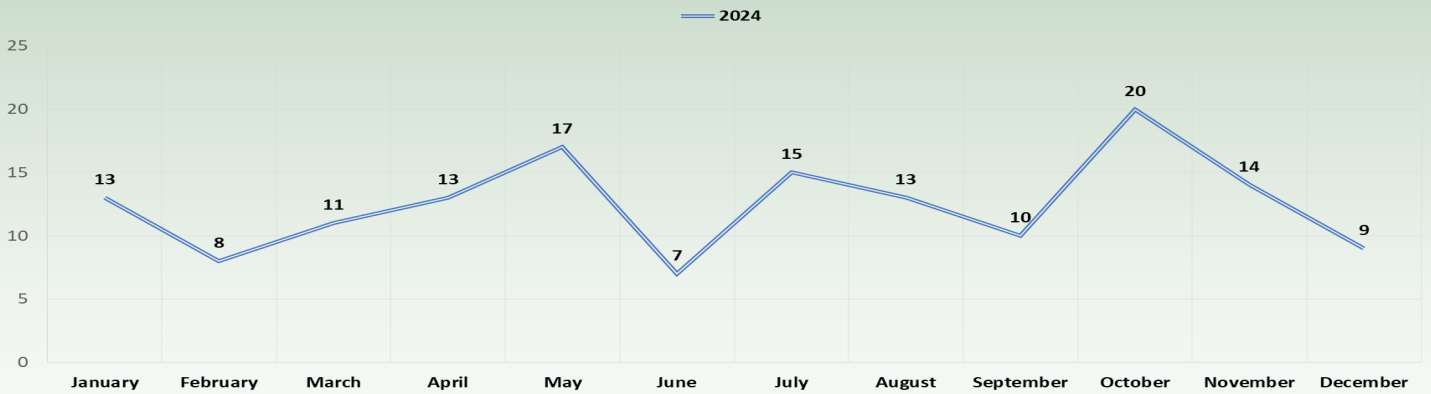


PARSONS CRASH DATA

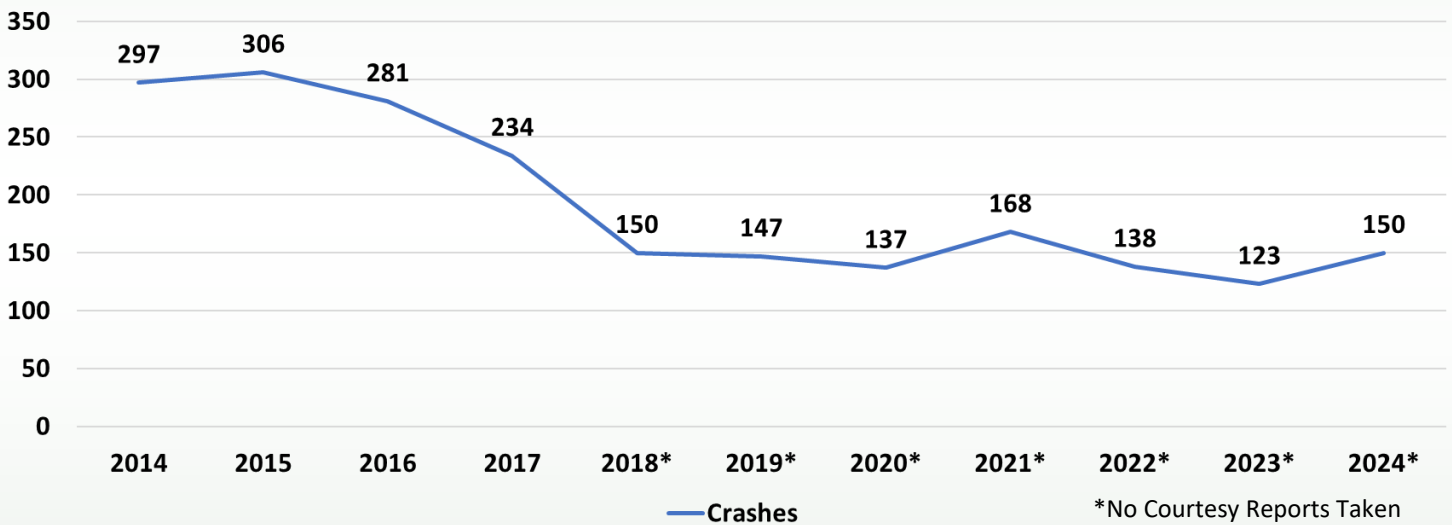
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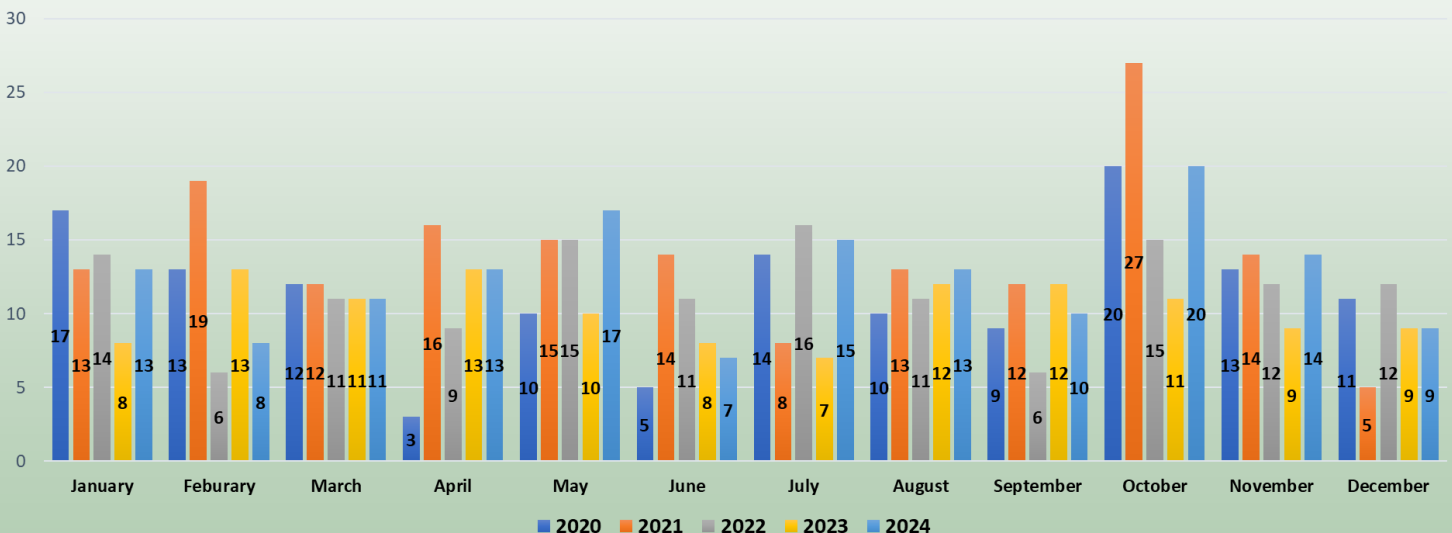
2024 CRASHES BY MONTH



11 Year Crash Data Trend



2020-2024 Traffic Crash By Month Comparison





DISPATCH

Communications Director Marti Shields



Marti Shields

The Parsons Police Department proudly operates a 24/7 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Dispatch Center—providing unwavering support to our community every hour of every day, 365 days a year. Staffed by a dedicated team of four full-time dispatchers and led by a committed Communications Director, our Dispatch Center is the critical first point of contact in emergencies—serving as the calm voice and steady hand guiding those in crisis.

Often called the "first" first responders, our dispatchers work 12-hour shifts to ensure seamless, around-the-clock coverage. At any given moment, a highly trained dispatcher is on duty, expertly juggling a complex set of responsibilities. These include monitoring 25 surveillance cameras, managing six phone lines (three administrative and three NG911), operating a text-to-911 system, and coordinating communications across up to ten 800MHz radio channels used by police, fire, and EMS units.

Every dispatcher is NCIC (National Crime Information Center) certified, enabling them to carry out vital law enforcement functions such as running vehicle and personal information checks, verifying criminal histories, confirming wants and warrants, and processing stolen property reports. Their precision and speed directly support officers in the field and contribute to successful outcomes during critical incidents.



The Parsons Dispatch team is also instrumental during severe weather events. They monitor National Weather Service (NWS)



alerts, activate storm sirens during tornado warnings, and coordinate the opening of emergency storm shelters. Sirens are tested weekly to maintain peak performance, and dispatchers perform hourly checks on inmates in our facility, which houses up to four individuals in secured cells, including a detox and holding unit.

Beyond emergency coordination, dispatchers serve as the first point of contact for citizens entering the Police Department. With professionalism and empathy, they guide individuals to the help they need and ensure timely officer response—often offering a reassuring presence during some of the most difficult moments in people's lives.

In 2024 alone, the Parsons Dispatch Center handled an impressive **33,351** phone calls—including emergency 911 and administrative lines—and coordinated response for **28,371** calls for service.

Our dispatchers undergo extensive training in emergency protocols, technology systems, and the secure handling of sensitive information. They continuously refine their skills to stay ahead of evolving public safety needs. Guided by the core values of **PRIDE**, **PROFESSIONALISM**, and **DEDICATION**, the Parsons Dispatch team sets a high standard of excellence in service to our community.



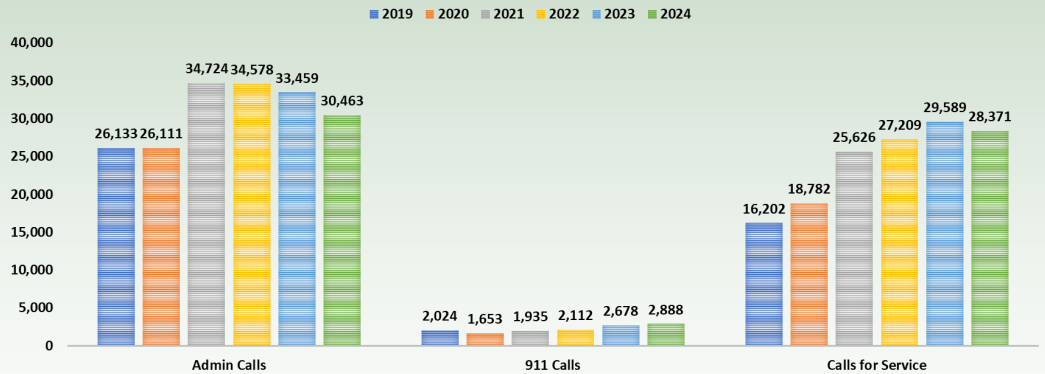


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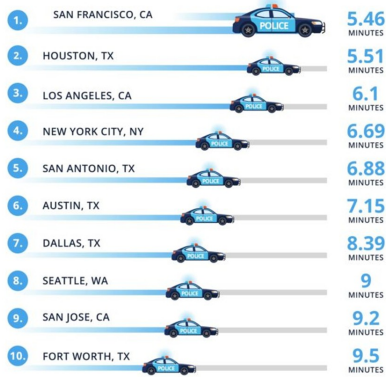
Parsons 911 Statistics



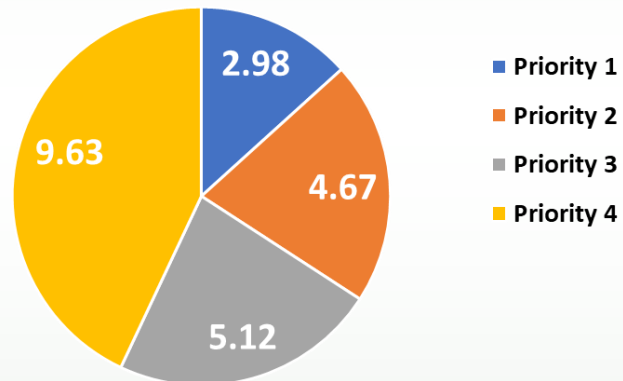
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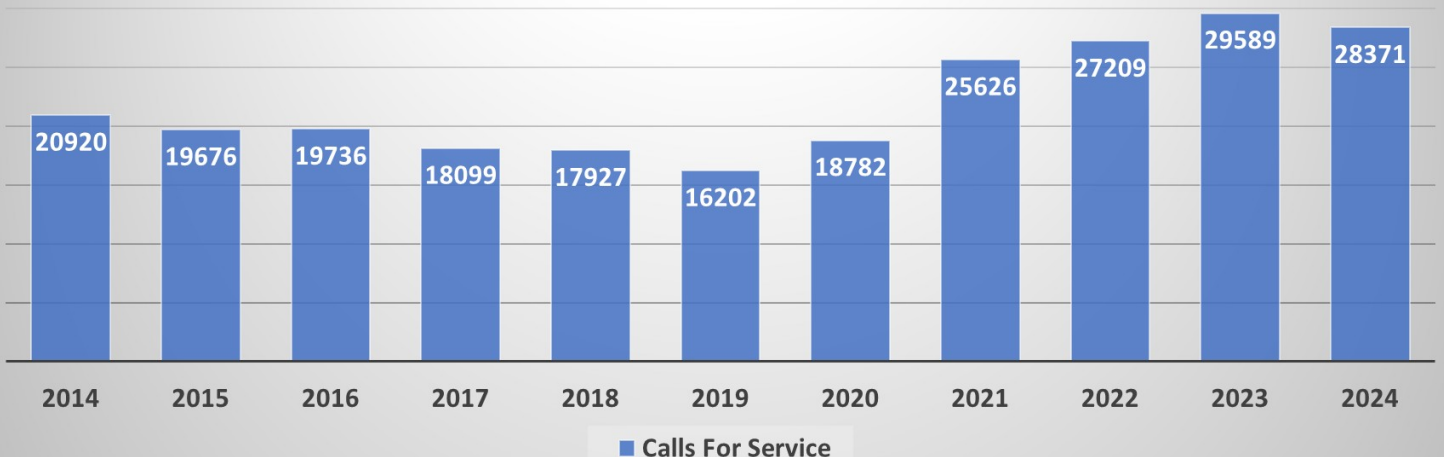
10 MAJOR CITIES RANKED BY AVERAGE POLICE RESPONSE TIME



2024 Response Times in Minutes



Calls For Service





RECORDS



2024 Records with Marshall Sills



Marshall Sills

Marshall Sills serves as the Records Coordinator for the Parsons Police Department, where he plays a vital role in maintaining accurate, organized, and accessible records. In 2023, he led the successful digitization of

all accident reports, significantly improving access for both department personnel and the public.

In 2024, Marshall continues to expand his expertise through ongoing training with the International Association of Crime Analysts (IACA), supporting the department's efforts in crime analysis and investigations. He is also pursuing coursework with the International Association for Property and Evidence (IAPE) to enhance evidence handling and processing procedures.

Marshall is a certified Red Cross first aid and CPR instructor, strengthening the department's emergency preparedness. He has also completed specialized training in records management and the Kansas Open Records Act (KORA), ensuring compliance with state regulations.

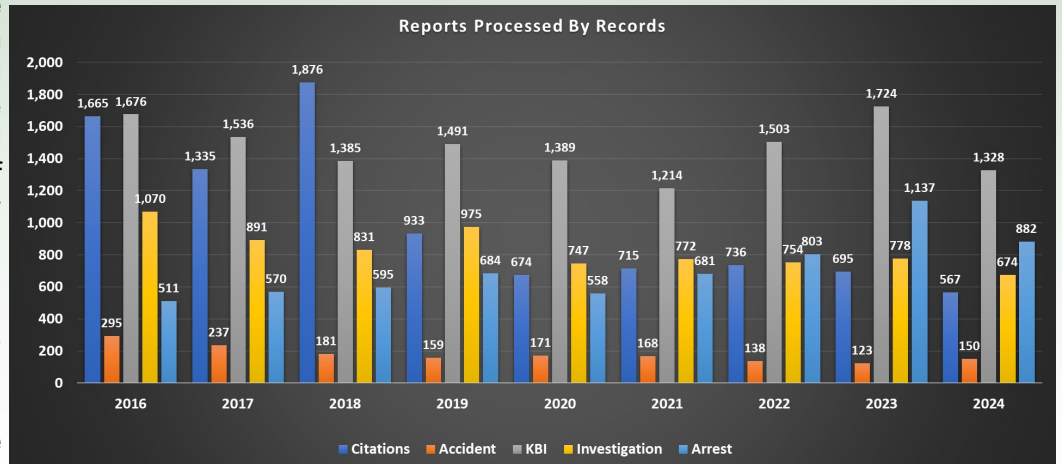
In addition to his core responsibilities, Marshall serves as the

department's Technical Agency Coordinator (TAC), managing the computer-aided dispatch and records management systems. As the Local Agency Security Officer (LASO), he oversees data security protocols, conducts audits, and implements measures to

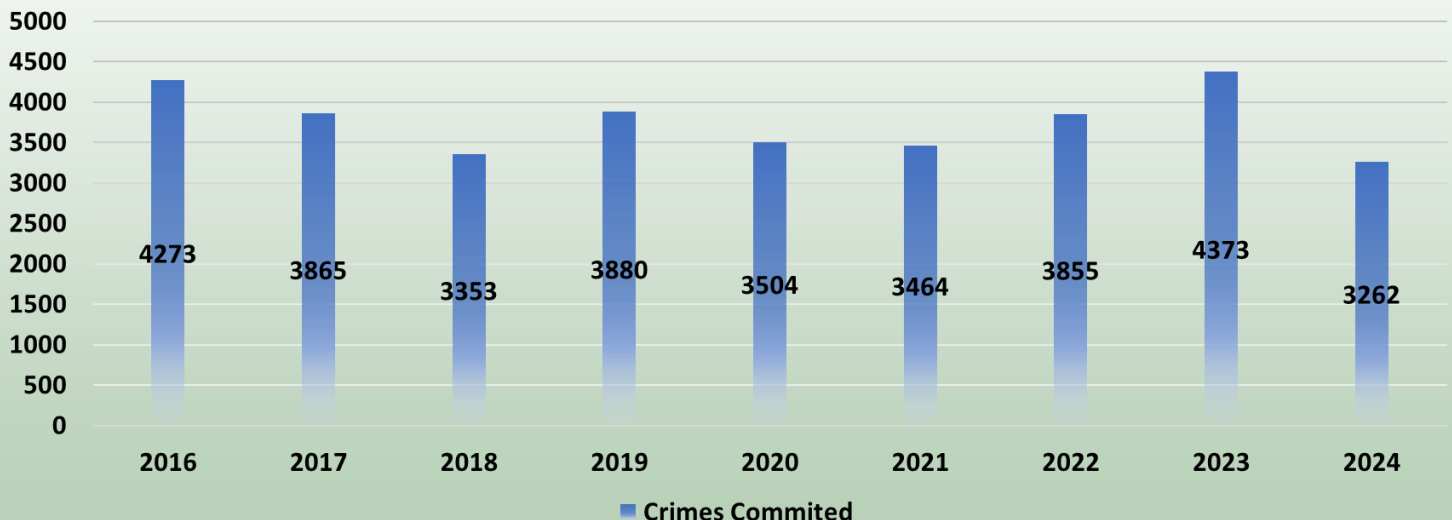
protect sensitive information.

Marshall also contributes as a Communications Training Officer (CTO), mentoring new dispatchers and emphasizing the importance of clear communication and accuracy in emergency response.

Through his dedication, professionalism, and continuous learning, Marshall plays a key role in supporting the Parsons Police Department's mission to serve and protect the community.



TOTAL NIBRS CRIMES REPORTED





EVIDENCE



2024 Evidence with Shawn Johnston



Shawn Johnston

Throughout 2024, Shawn Johnston continued to lead transformative initiatives within the Property and Evidence Unit, building upon the strong foundation he has helped establish in previous years. His extensive expertise and unwavering dedication have been instrumental in advancing the unit's capabilities, with several noteworthy

accomplishments underscoring his leadership.

One of Shawn's most impactful achievements this year was successfully training the entire Parsons Police Department staff in First Aid, CPR and AED. Shawn also contributed to the implementation of the department's new First Aid and CPR training program by Coordinating the purchase of the necessary equipment and materials to support the continued training effort. Educating the staff in these life-saving skills significantly enhances our capacity as first responders.

As a certified Property and Evidence Manager through the International Association of Property and Evidence (IAPE), Shawn has taken full ownership of the unit's operations. His meticulous oversight encompasses every stage of evidence handling—including intake, secure storage, transportation, and return—ensuring that all materials are managed with the highest level of integrity and accountability.

In alignment with state standards and best practices, Shawn initiated a new procedure in 2024 to store narcotics, firearms,

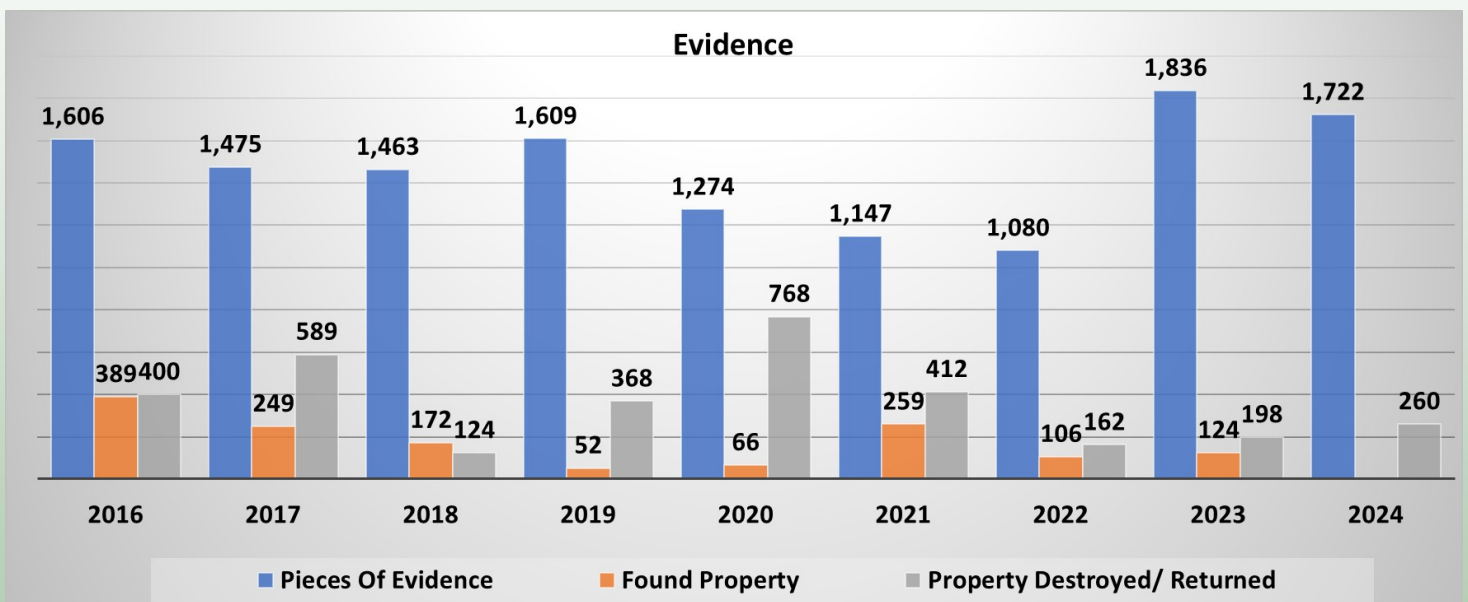
and currency separately from other evidence types, in accordance with Kansas Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (KLEAP) requirements. This change has strengthened the department's compliance and operational security.



Shawn also played a key role in modernizing how digital media is stored. Partnering with Records Coordinator Marshall Sills, he began transitioning the department away from outdated storage methods—such as DVDs and thumb drives—toward a secure, cloud-based digital storage system. This move represents a significant technological advancement for the department and improves both accessibility and long-term preservation of critical records.

In addition to his work in Property and Evidence, Shawn continued cross-training with the Records Division. This initiative reflects his forward-thinking approach to departmental efficiency and operational resilience, enhancing both team flexibility and service delivery.

Finally, in a demonstration of his versatility and dedication to the department, Shawn worked full-time in the Dispatch Division for approximately six months in 2024, helping to ensure continuity of service during a period of understaffing.





ANIMAL CONTROL

Community Service Officer Ricky Thompson



Ricky Thompson

In 2024, the Community Service Officer (CSO) position continued to play a critical role in supporting the Parsons Police Department and managing the city's animal-related concerns. Despite significant staffing challenges throughout the year, the

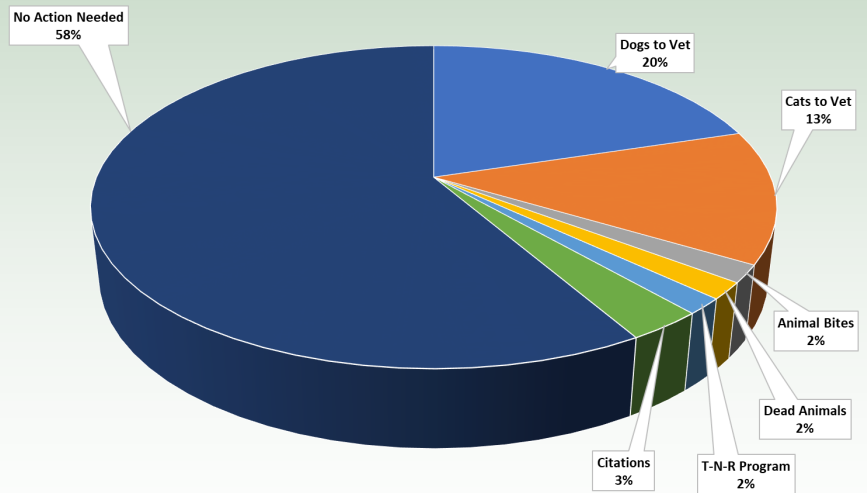
CSO program remained committed to public safety and animal welfare.

CSO Ricky Thompson shouldered dual responsibilities in 2024, not only continuing his primary CSO duties but also regularly assisting patrol operations due to departmental staffing shortages. Specifically, CSO Thompson filled patrol shifts during **April, May, June, August, September, October, November, and December**, which limited the time available for dedicated CSO work during much of the year.

The department responded to a total of **1,293 animal-related calls for service** in 2024, with the following breakdown:

- **Officers handled 830 calls**, resulting in **173 dogs** picked up and **92 cats** picked up.
- **CSO Thompson handled 463 calls**, resulting in **105 dogs** picked up and **91 cats** picked up

2024 Summary of 1,293 Calls for Animals

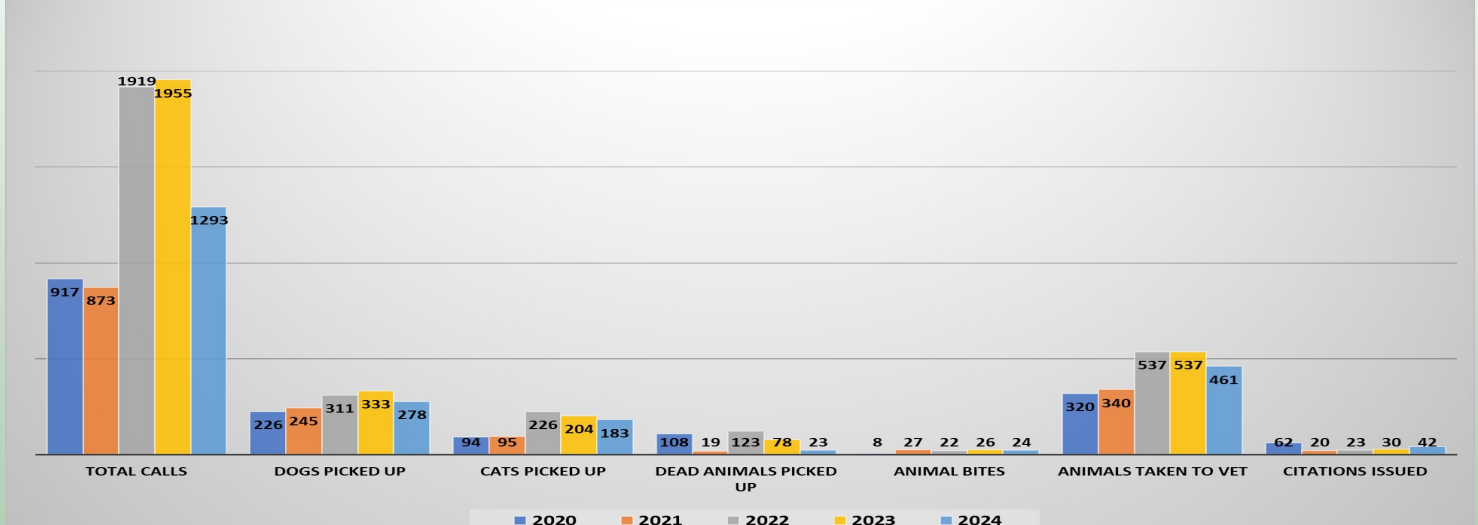


Despite covering patrol duties for two-thirds of the year, CSO Thompson still managed **over 35% of the total animal-related calls**, demonstrating the continued value and necessity of the position.

A total of **377 animals** (278 dogs and 183 cats) were picked up in 2024. The percentage of animals taken directly to the City Impound remains high, underscoring the need for continued public education and owner responsibility—the “Animal Guardian” mindset.

Additionally, **22 feral cats** were processed through the **Parsons Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program**, continuing efforts to reduce the stray cat population in a humane and sustainable way.

Animal Control Trends 2020-2024





FLEET



Police Department Vehicles 2024

As of 2024, the Parsons Police Department possesses a fleet consisting of a total of 29 vehicles. Among these vehicles, 20 are designated for patrol purposes and are utilized by patrol officers and supervisors. Additionally, specific units within the department, such as the School Resource Officer (SRO), K-9 Officer, Community Service Officer, Administrative Services, Investigation Division, and Administration, have their own assigned vehicles.

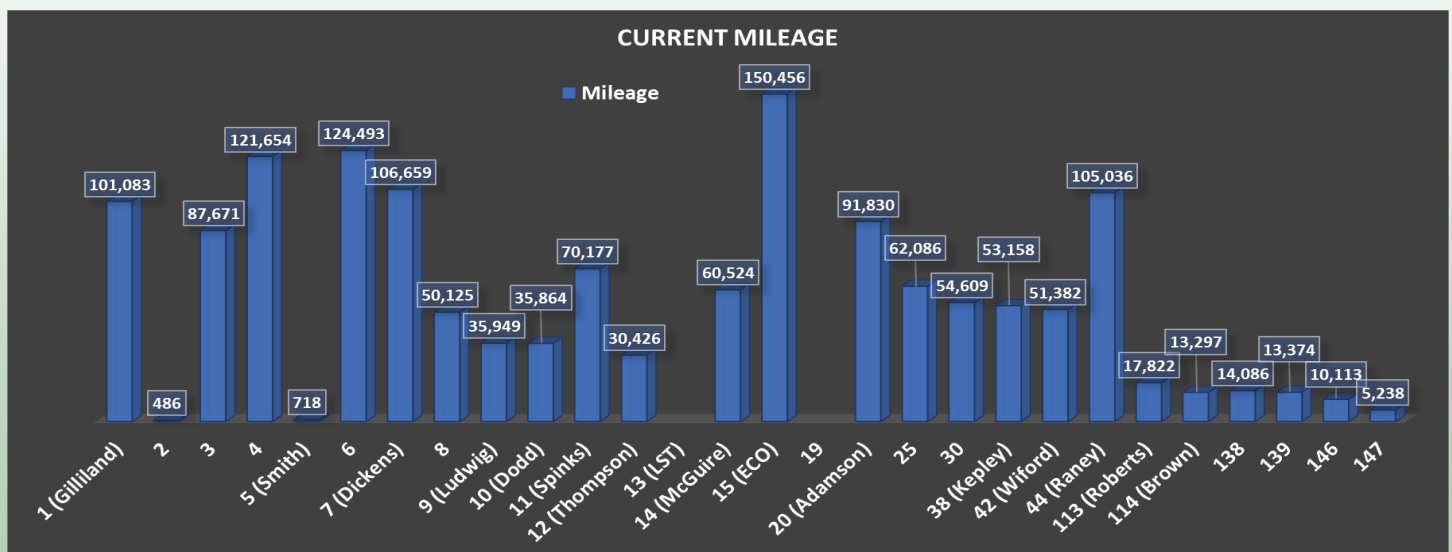
Pooling or sharing of vehicles is currently practiced within the patrol division, which involves the utilization of vehicles by the Senior Patrolman, East Sector, and West Sector. The remaining vehicles serve as supplemental resources for specialized patrols like the **Click It or Ticket** campaign, **DUI campaigns**, and saturation patrols. They also function as transport vehicles for officers who are called in to provide specialized transportation services to other agencies or facilities. The following charts indicate that patrol vehicles are utilized extensively, with monthly mileage exceeding that of some cars throughout an entire year.

On average for 2024, patrol cars are driven over **700** miles per month by patrol officers. This is a drop from last year's numbers and is due to being able to add additional units to the fleet. With the addition of more patrol vehicles, officers are being assigned take home vehicles to provide quick response times to large/active incidents. These newer vehicles have warranties and have considerably less miles due to being assigned to single officers. The mileage of Sergeants and Corporals vehicles, who serve as shift supervisors and are responsible for considerable administrative duties, continues to be lower compared to Sector Officers or Senior Patrolmen.

Within the unmarked portion of the fleet, vehicles are assigned to the detective unit. However, these vehicles are aging and incur increasing maintenance costs. To better accommodate the equipment required at major crime scenes, the detectives have been provided with retired patrol Chevy Tahoe vehicles.

The **Logistics Support Truck (LST)**, despite having relatively low mileage, requires equipment upgrades. The LST serves as a staging area for events such as **Katy Days** and is taken to venues like **Touch-A-Truck** and the **Parsons Christmas Parade**. Its primary function involves serving as an evidence collection point for serious crimes and as an **Incident Command** center for large-scale investigations and crime scenes. Currently, the LST operates on an outdated analog radio system, which needs to be replaced with a digital radio system compatible with the agency's 800 MHz frequency. Equipped with a computer and new communication tools, the Parsons Police Department could establish a mobile dispatch center in the event of a natural disaster.

Additionally, the Police Department includes the Community Service Officer's vehicle as part of its fleet as well as a **Polaris UTV** for specialized patrols off road. The K9 truck has been transitioned to the Community Service Officer to replace the aging and extremely high miles of the former CSO Truck. The former CSO truck has been downgraded and provided to the Evidence Custodian for transportation of evidence to the KBI Labs in Pittsburg and Topeka, KS. The remaining vehicles maintained by the department consist of the Chief of Police's and Deputy Chiefs' vehicles, along with a travel car. With the creation of the Domestic Violence Unit one of the travel cars that as been reassigned to this unit.





FLEET

Fleet Continued...



Patrol Car Average Miles Driven Per Month

Vehicle	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Average
1	3467	2573	1484	581	1364	302	134	303	300	1168
2										New 2025
3	0	0	1965	1751	1316	987	626	557	577	1111
4	0	0	2431	1740	1301	1156	494	920	247	1184
5										New 2025
6	0	2357	2765	2059	1372	208	973	1260	781	1472
7	1403	2636	1260	360	1165	281	246	293	389	933
8	0	0	0	0	0	NEW	1574	1464	944	1327
12	0	0	0	0	0	NEW	559	906	521	662
25	0	0	0	0	1266	1109	701	1323	940	1068
30	0	0	0	0	72	1293	667	1214	820	813
38	0	0	0	0	766	1286	799	804	731	877
42	0	0	0	0	351	1290	374	872	815	740
44	0	0	0	0	0	0	441	243	641	442
113	0	0	0	0	0	0	New	848	497	673
114	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	New	740	740
138	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	New	782	782
139	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	New	644	644
146	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	New	784	784
147	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	New	391	391

Patrol Car Average Miles Driven Per Year

Vehicle	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Average
1	17336	30880	17813	6966	13641	3628	1606	3634	3598	11011
2										NEW '25
3	0	0	15717	21008	15787	11846	7508	6683	6928	12211
4	0	0	19450	17404	15617	13868	5926	11042	2961	12324
5										NEW '25
6	0	9427	33182	24711	11464	2501	11671	15122	9376	14682
7	16841	31626	15119	4322	13974	3373	2946	3517	4665	10417
8	0	0	0	0	0	NEW	18889	17573	11330	15931
12	0	0	0	0	0	NEW	6703	10877	6253	7944
25	0	0	0	0	7595	13304	8416	15870	11279	11923
30	0	0	0	0	72	15513	8008	14567	9841	9600
38	0	0	0	0	4596	15428	9591	9653	8767	9607
42	0	0	0	0	351	15479	4491	10459	9783	8113
44	0	0	0	0	0	0	5287	2914	7696	5299
113	0	0	0	0	0	0	NEW	10177	5965	8071
114	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	New	8874	8874
138	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	New	9387	9387
139	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	New	7724	7724
146	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	New	9409	9409
147	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	New	4689	4689



CHAPLAIN PROGRAM

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Mark Raney

Program Overview

The Parsons Police Department remains dedicated to supporting the emotional, spiritual, and psychological well-being of community members and department personnel through the Police Chaplain Program. This collaborative initiative partners with faith leaders from across Labette County to ensure compassionate

assistance is available whenever a crisis arises, reinforcing the department's commitment to holistic public safety.

Role and Responsibilities of Chaplains

Police chaplains are professionally trained, volunteer clergy who serve under the authority of the Chief of Police. While non-sworn, they observe the same standards of confidentiality and ethical conduct expected of sworn officers. Chaplains provide on-scene crisis intervention, death or serious-injury notifications, suicide-response support, and counseling for victims, witnesses, officers, and their families. They also deliver invocations at official ceremonies, facilitate referrals to community resources, and participate in the ride-along program to maintain visibility and accessibility throughout the community.

Program Structure

- ◆ Multi-faith team of volunteer chaplains available 24/7 on a rotating on-call schedule
- ◆ Annual training that aligns with the International Conference of Police Chaplains (ICPC) best-practice guidelines



- ◆ Integration with the department's patrol schedules and peer-support initiatives

- ◆ Regular review and expansion to ensure diverse representation and comprehensive coverage

Community Impact

Each year the Chaplain Program is available to respond to numerous critical incidents, assists with community outreach events, and provides hundreds of staff support hours. Through this ministry of presence, chaplains help reduce the emotional toll of traumatic events, strengthen trust between the department and the public, and contribute to a healthier, more resilient community.

Looking Ahead

The department will continue to recruit and train volunteer chaplains, enhance inter-agency cooperation, and evaluate program outcomes to meet the evolving needs of the Parsons community. Individuals interested in learning more or applying to serve can visit the Police Chaplain Program page on the Parsons Police Department website or contact the Community Oriented Policing and Problem Solving (COPPS) Office.





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