

2023 Annual Report

Fort Atkinson Police Department











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A Message from Chief Bump

I am always excited to start a new year, but not without reflecting on the great work performed by the strong team of men and woman serving Fort Atkinson as members of its police department. 2023 was the busiest year our agency has faced. Our community continues to need more law enforcement services each year. As we meet and exceed the demands of the community, we continue to place a strong emphasis on the training and development of our officers and support staff. With the addition of two new officer positions and recent retirements we are working hard to recruit, train and deploy new members of the team. This process is exciting as well as challenging for a police department as we work hard to ensure the community doesn't see or feel a change in service quality, just a change in the faces that provide it.

I can't wait to see what 2024 brings for our agency and community as we work to Exceed Expectations with Excellence!

Adrian Bump
Chief of Police









Officer Vanessa Leonard and Officer Jay Leonard
2023 Jefferson County Crisis Intervention Officers of the Year



Public Safety Dispatcher Hannah Kleven, Officer Amelia Adsit and Officer Brett Dunkleberger
Life Saving Award



Officer Ryan Walters
WI First Responder of the Year
Assembly District 33

Service that is Above and Beyond

New Faces on the Force



Zackary Steinert

Police Officer



Roger Munoz

Police Officer



Noah Schneider

Police Officer



Kjelse Rittmeyer

Public Safety Dispatcher

2023 Operational Highlights

Calls for Service increased by 2,725 from 15,388 in 2022 to 18,113 in 2023. As a result of these calls for service Officers wrote 2,134 reports. This is 40 more written reports than in 2022.

18,113

Nuisance Abatement and Code Enforcement has been a focus over the past 7 years. We work to improve properties that are a visual blight on neighborhoods in our community. Officers and Code Enforcement worked with 433 property owners in 2020, 358 properties in 2021, 294 in 2022 and 314 properties in 2023

314

Prescription Medication Disposal: Prescription Drug Drop Off resulted in the proper collection and disposal of over 706 pounds of prescription medications in 2023.
Wisconsin becomes the #1 State in the Country in the proper disposal of meds!

706 lbs.

With new employees, promotions and reassignments of employees, we focused on training and development of our team. In 2023 we provided 2,891 hours of training to employees.

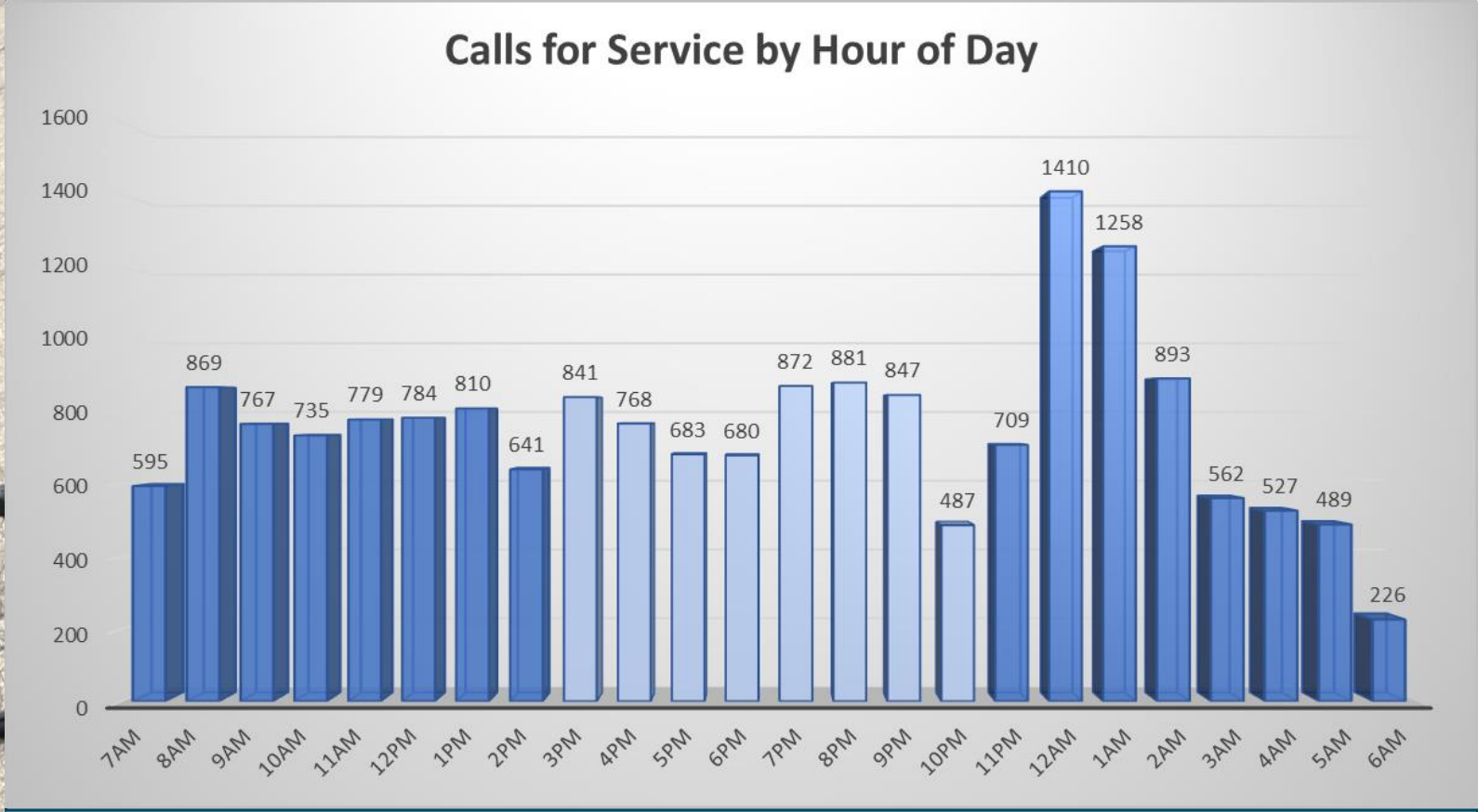
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Community Policing Events: We are a community focused agency. In 2023 officers were involved in 487 Community Policing Focused engagements. From planned events, directed actions and multiple pop-up chance opportunities.

487



Bike Unit training on their brand-new bikes!



1st Shift (6:30a-2:30p) 2nd Shift (2:30p-10:30p) 3rd Shift (10:30p-6:30a)

Dispatched calls for service increased by 2,725 calls from 2022 to 2023. The peak times were from 12am to 3am where we saw 3,561 calls for service. 3rd Shift saw the greatest volume of calls with 6,074 which represents 34% of the total calls for service during 2023. 2nd Shift was responsible for handling 6,059 calls or 33% of the total calls for service in 2023. The spike in 3rd shift activity in 2023 is a direct reflection of officers on patrol contributing duty time toward crime prevention focused initiatives and proactive policing after midnight.

Comparing previous years data, we are seeing that our officers are consistently busy around the clock. Officers are doing a better job of finding something to do when there is nothing to do.

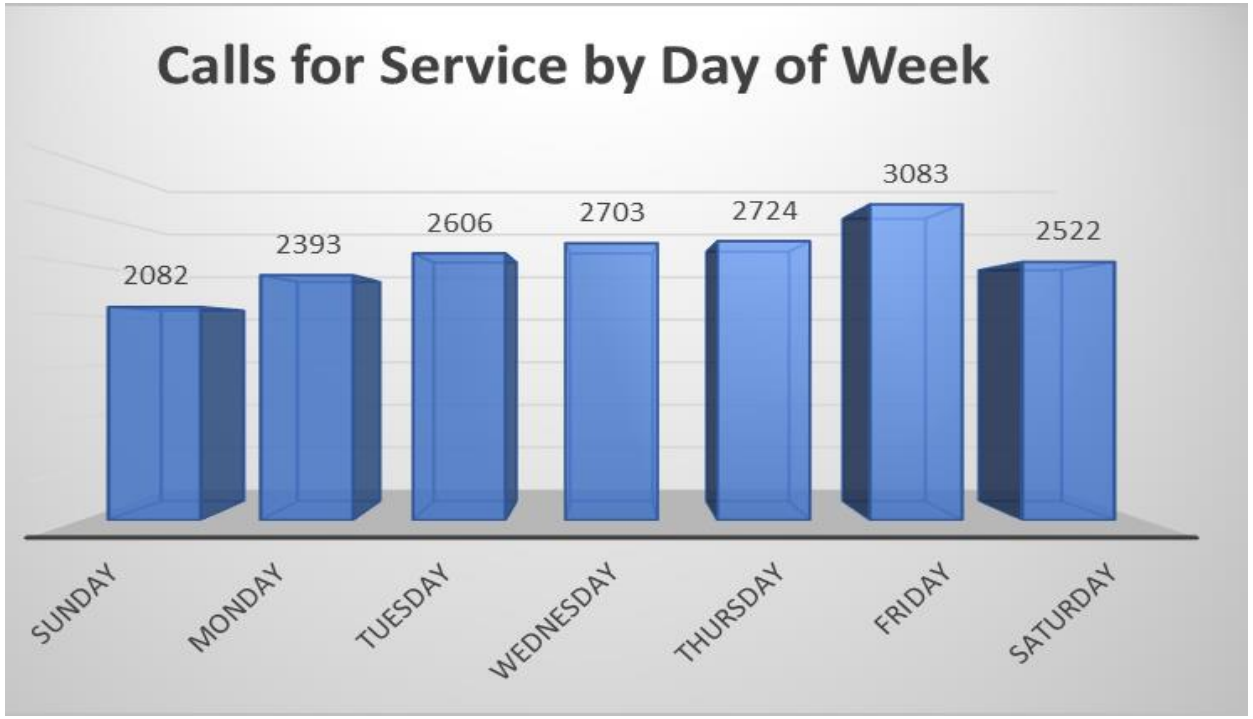
The bar graph below shows the distribution of calls for service by the day of week for the entire year. The busiest days of the week are Tuesday through Saturday with 13,638 of the 18,113 calls for service. The least busy day of the week is Sunday with only 2082 calls for service through the year.

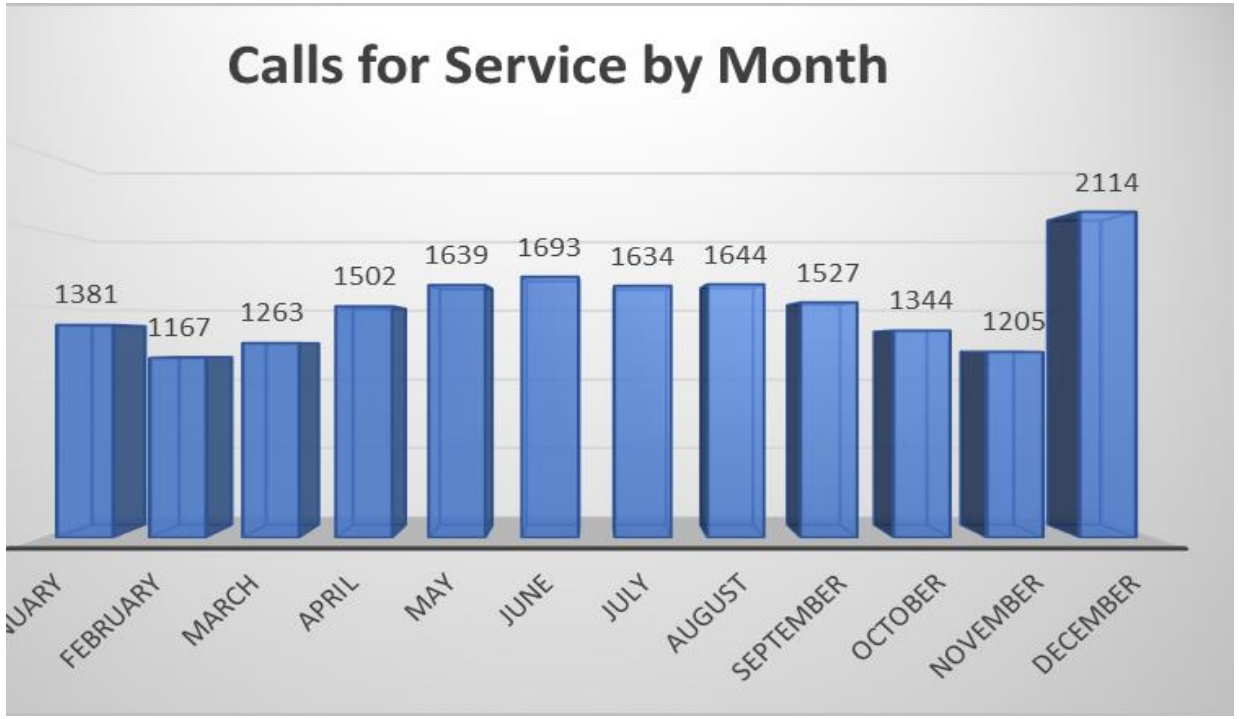
The significance of this chart is that it allows the department to focus on days of the week where more visibility and presence is needed based on past call volume and needs. This will help focus resources on traditionally busier days of the week.

"Calls for Service" and "Reports Taken" totals are not the same. The reason for this is that not every call for service results in a written report or generation of a case number. Services such as field interviews, community policing activities, and vacation home checks are all services provided but not captured through the dispatched calls for service records.

A services distribution by month has shown us that we are busiest in the Summer. In December 2023 we made a change in how we record calls for service by adding parking enforcement. This change more accurately records officer's work. 2024 numbers will increase due to this change in record management.

Month & Day of Week Comparison





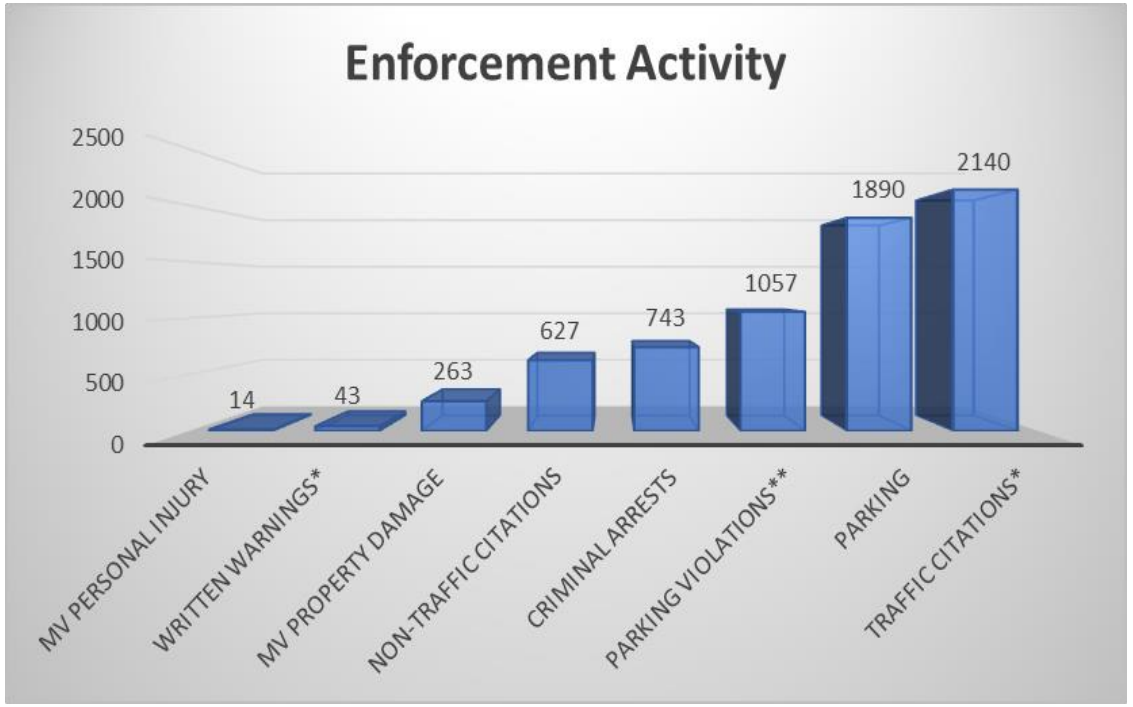
Traffic Contacts and Arrests make up a large portion of officer activity. Proactive enforcement has a residual impact on nuisance and property crimes through preventive contacts and presence deterrence. Traffic enforcement and the visibility in the community helps keep our community safe.

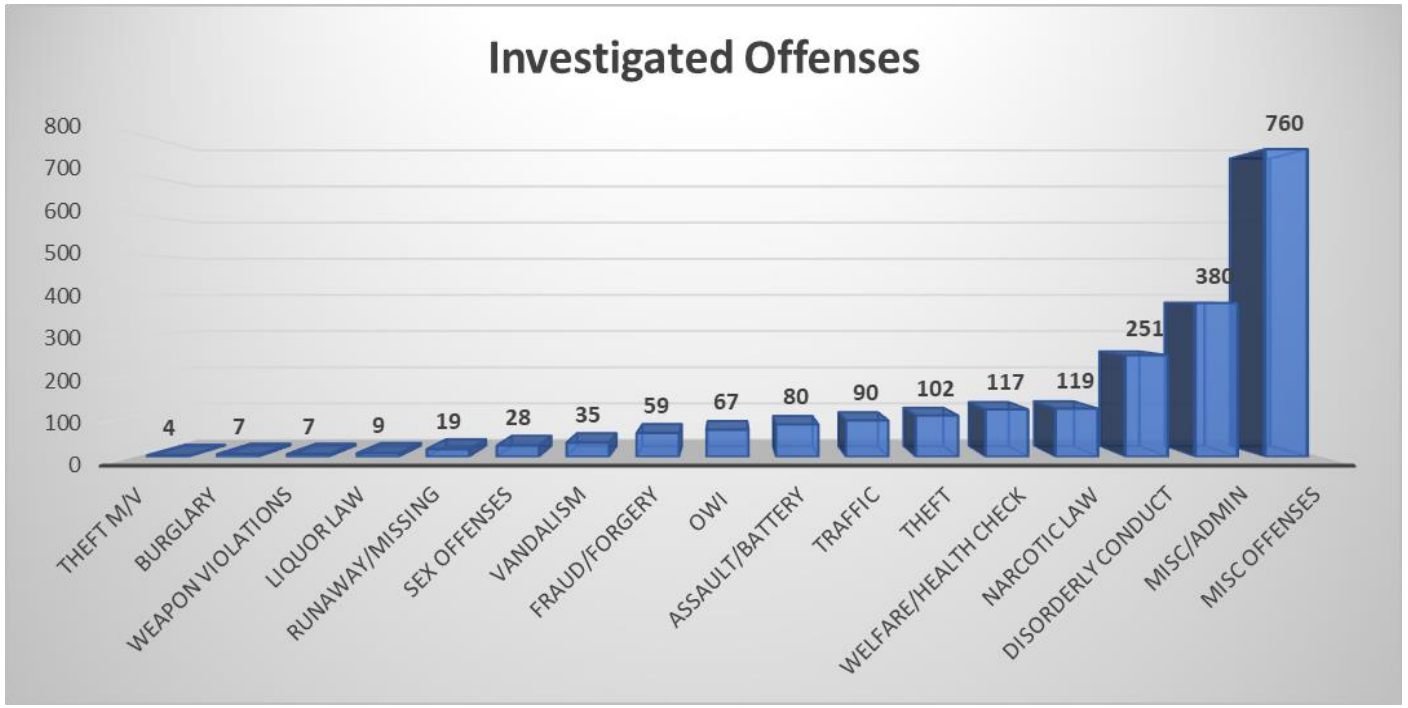
Note: In the below graph, Parking Violations refer to complaints by citizens regarding issues related to parking that officers helped mediate or address. Parking refers to actual citations issued for vehicles violating City parking ordinances.

Officers were also busy addressing and responding to offenses that include Disorderly Conduct (251), Theft Complaints (102), Drug offenses (119), Admin/Misc. Reports (380) and All Other Offenses (760) which are a combination of the many other situations officers deal with to include emergency detentions, death investigations, Warrant Arrests, Medical Calls, and aiding outside agencies (210) to name a few.

Note: The below numbers do not reflect every case an officer handled. In 2023 the Fort Atkinson Police Department logged 18,113 case numbers. Within these cases Officers documented initial reports, investigative follow-up reports and supplemental reports to primary officer reports. These reports are added into the department records management system and results in a significant amount of officer time. So, although 18,113 case numbers were generated in 2023, officers typed 2,134 written reports.

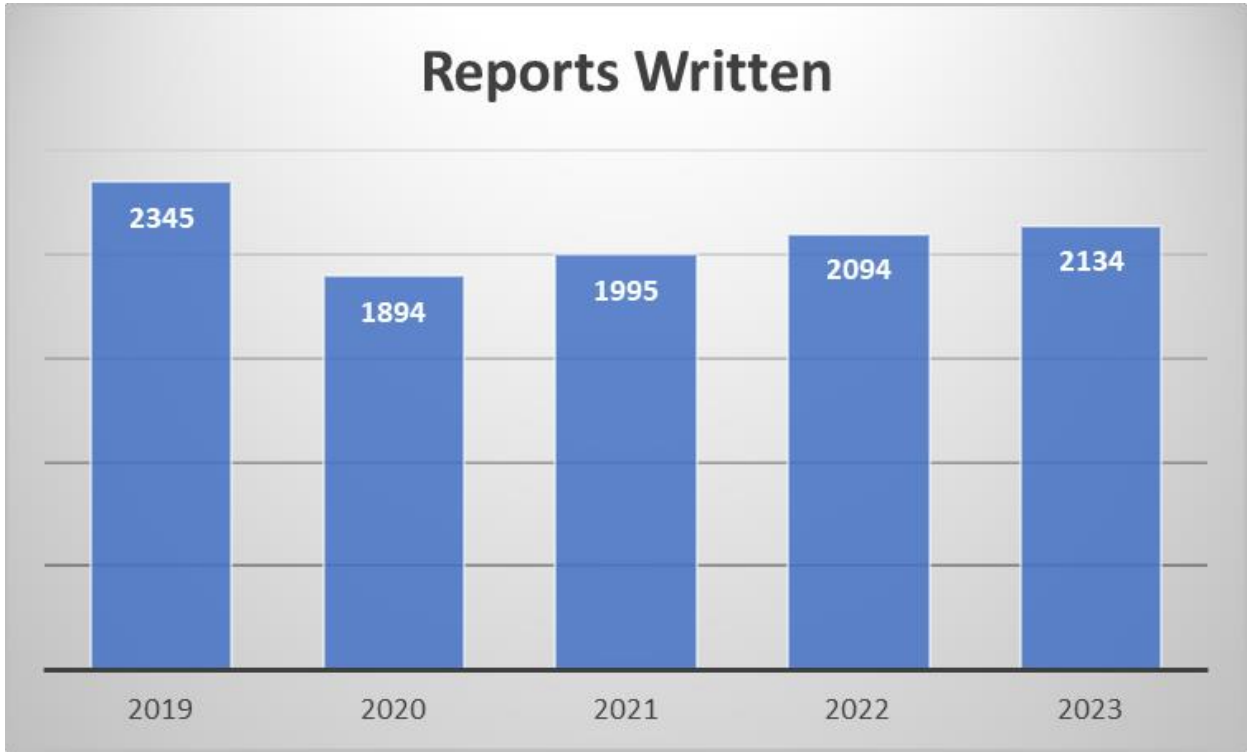
Enforcement & Investigations

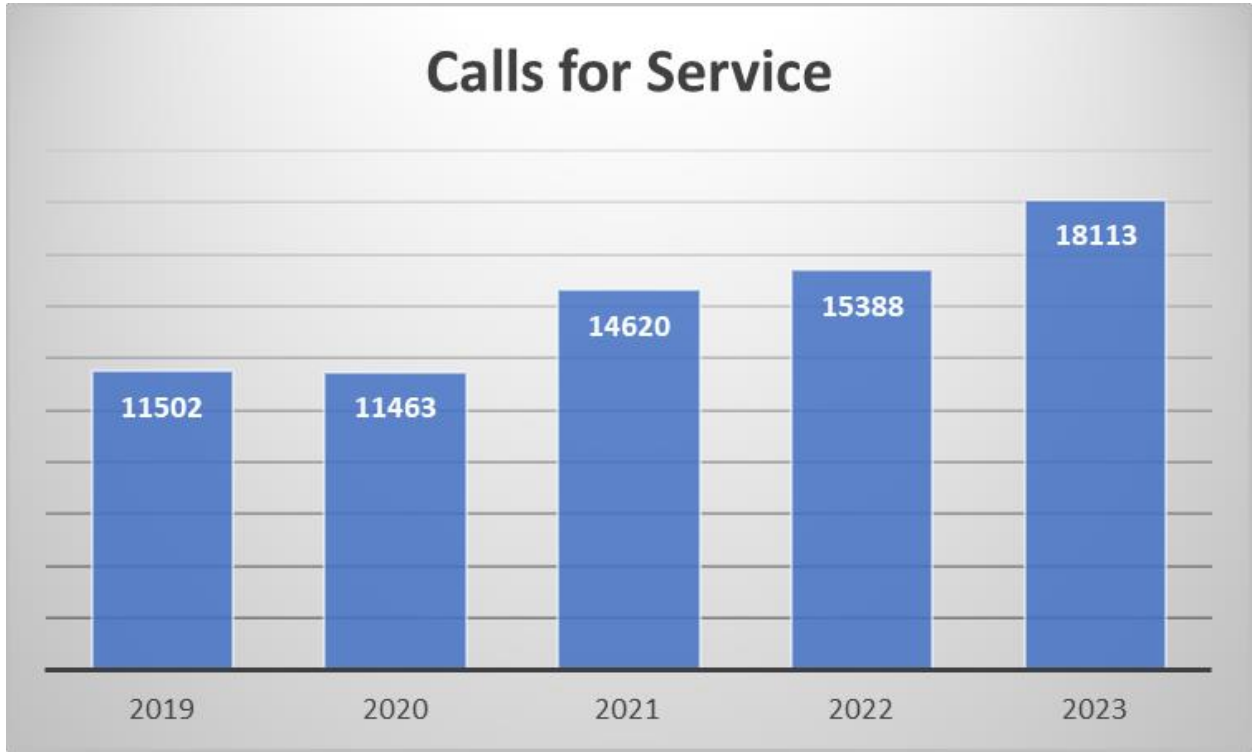




5 Year Comparison

A 5-year comparison of activity shows we continue to trend upward in calls for service. The numbers also reflect changes in how we document and record officer activity. We continue to make improvements in documentation of officer field activity, so we more accurately record what our officers do in the community each day.







Group photo just prior to the 2023 Holiday Parade

"Every high-performing team believes it exists for a compelling reason and that the world will be better for what it does. Its purpose is not the task or work it does but the benefit it delivers."

Hill & Lineback



Public Works Week 2023: We may have been poking fun a bit ☺

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