

FRANKLIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

"Serving Our Community"



2020 ANNUAL REPORT
SHERIFF DALLAS BALDWIN

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Sheriff Dallas Baldwin

Sheriff Dallas Baldwin is a retired Lieutenant with the Columbus Division of Police after serving for 31 years; both on the force, and as a reserve officer. As a patrol officer, Sheriff Baldwin worked throughout the city of Columbus - with particular focus on the Ohio State University campus area, west side, and the short east. He also served as a detective on the Robbery Squad, and as a member of the SWAT team.

In 1990, he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant, working patrol, SWAT, and the Narcotics Unit. In 1995, Sheriff Baldwin was promoted to Lieutenant, and assigned to the west side. In addition, he worked with the Strategic Response Bureau and served on the Ethics Board.

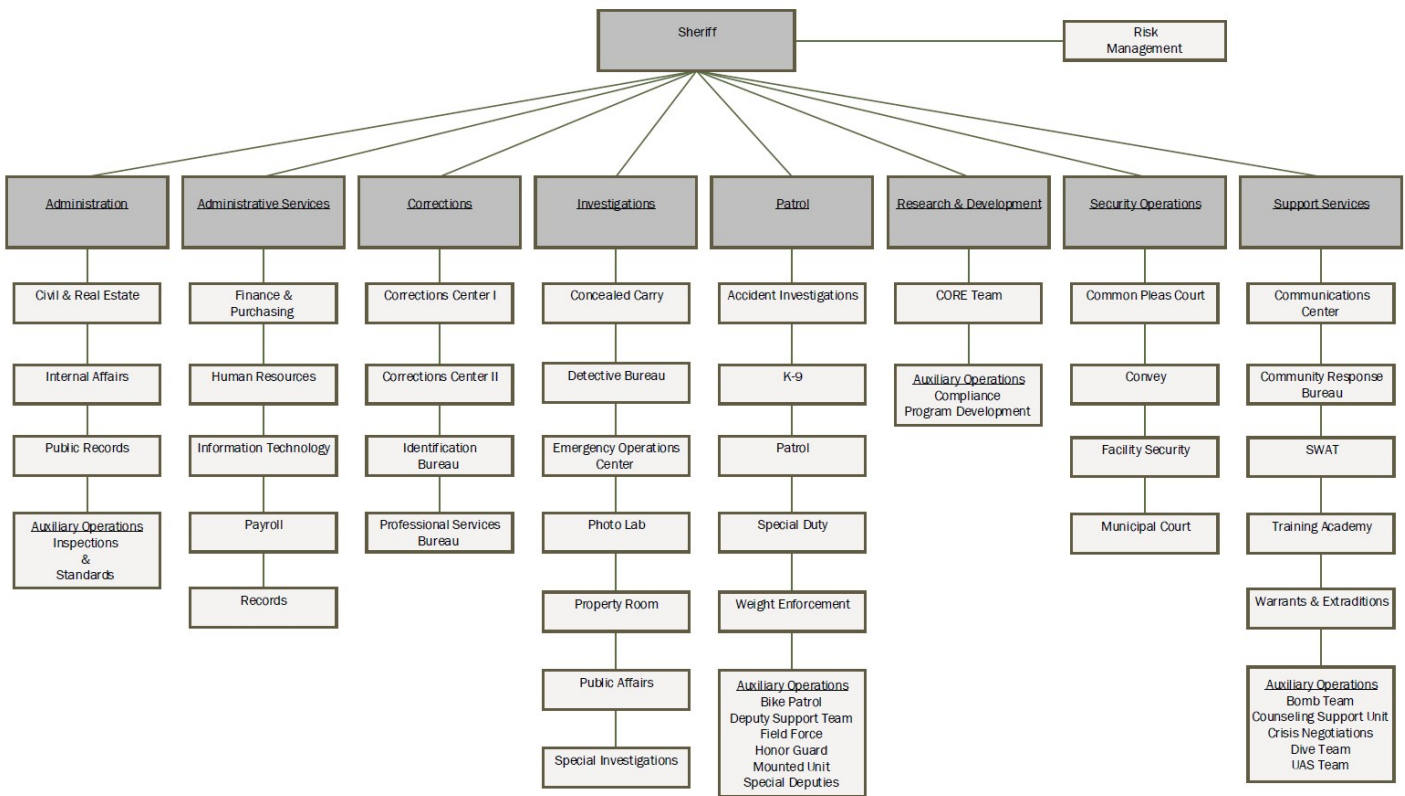
Sheriff Baldwin and his wife Barb have been married for over 40 years, after meeting in high school. They have a son who is currently serving in the Columbus Division of Police.



Mission Statement

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office, Columbus, Ohio, is a full service law enforcement agency, an arm of the courts, and the custodial keeper of those who break the law. It is the mission of the Franklin County Sheriff's Office to protect the lives and property of the citizens of Franklin County, to preserve the peace, and to prevent crime and disorder while constantly guarding personal liberties as prescribed by law. This must be done with honor and integrity, conducting ourselves with the highest ethical standards to maintain public confidence.

Organizational Structure Chart



Wall of Honor

This page is dedicated to the memory of all fellow Law Enforcement Officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty

For more information about fallen officers from the state of Ohio visit <https://www.odmp.org/>



Special Deputy Samuel J Mautz
07/11/1921

Special Deputy Samuel Mautz was shot and killed while attempting to take action during a robbery attempt while he was off duty.



Deputy Jack R Ellwanger
06/15/1960

While investigating a traffic crash, he was struck and killed by a hit and run drunk driver.

Wall of Honor



Deputy Joseph Moore

04/11/1983

Died of gunshot wounds received April 11, 1983 from a domestic violence attack on himself and Lt. Moore enroute to work.



Lt. Sharon Moore

04/11/1983

Died of gunshot wounds received April 11, 1983 from a domestic violence attack on herself and Deputy Moore enroute to work.

Wall of Honor

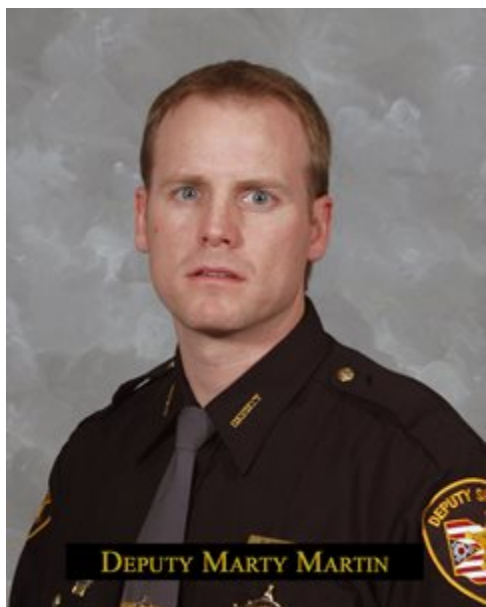


Deputy Ronald L Coen
01/27/1994
Died in traffic crash, responding to assist another Deputy.



Special Deputy Steve Bollenger
08/05/2007
Special Deputy Stephen Bollinger was killed in an automobile accident while he and another deputy returned from an assignment at approximately 1:00 pm.

Wall of Honor



Deputy Marty Martin

09/06/2008

Deputy Marty Martin was killed in an automobile accident on I-71, near I-270, while he and another deputy worked an undercover operation at approximately 12:30 am.

Division: Administration

Chief Deputy David Conley

Chief Conley started working for the Franklin County Sheriff Office on July 2, 1979 in Corrections. In 1981 was transferred to Patrol Bureau and worked several assignments, to include Weight Enforcement of Commercial Vehicles. In 1989 was transferred to the Detective Bureau and worked several different areas of Investigations and eventually transferred to warrants and Extraditions in 2005. He subsequently retired on May 1, 2006. He went to work with the Ohio Department of Public Safety, specifically as a Deputy Director of Operations for the Ohio Investigative Unit until January of 2011. He has maintained a peace officer commission with Ashville Police Department until Sheriff Baldwin's election and oath of office in January 2017.

Chief Conley is a very active member of the State of Ohio Fraternal Order of Police Critical Incident Response Team and instrumental in creating the Mid-Ohio Critical Incident Stress Management Team. He is a member of the National Sheriff's Association, Major County Sheriff's Association, Buckeye State Sheriff's Association, Ohio Chiefs of Police Association, and Franklin County Chiefs of Police Association

Chief Conley has an Associate Degree of Applied Science in Law Enforcement from Eastern Gateway Community College and a graduate of the Public Safety Leadership Academy from The Ohio State University John Glenn College of Public Affairs. Chief Conley is married with 4 children and 7 grand-children.



Units under Administration

Civil Services Bureau

Internal Affairs Bureau

Public Records

Real Estate

Division: Administration

Civil Services Bureau

The Franklin County Sheriff's Civil Service Bureau is responsible for the serving of legal documents received from the court. These documents include subpoenas, writs, executions, protection orders and evictions from both Franklin County and foreign jurisdictions. The Civil Division is also responsible for the Sheriff's sale of real estate and the collection of fees from various legal processes.

Activity	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Civil Subpoenas	745	376	98.1%
Criminal Subpoenas	20773	38495	-46.0%
Domestic Subpoenas	166	161	3.1%
Juvenile Subpoenas	4151	9249	-55.1%
Grand Jury Subpoenas	49	176	-72.2%
Probate Subpoenas	0	2	-100.0%
Civil Execution Desk			
Habere Facias	104	244	-57.4%
Writ of Execution	140	333	-58.0%
Order of Possession	17	39	-56.4%
Alias	0	0	0
Stalking Orders	1556	1028	51.4%
Final Stalking Orders	221	265	-16.6%
Civil Protection Orders	3866	3810	1.5%
Final Civil Protection Orders	471	625	-24.6%
Juvenile Protection Orders	132	159	-17.0%
Final Juvenile Protection Orders	25	28	-10.7%
Domestic/Juvenile Desk			
Domestic Papers	2888	2466	17.1%
Juvenile Papers	6925	8734	-20.7%
Total	9813	11200	-12.4%
Foreign Desk			
Outside of Ohio	1879	2347	-19.9%
Ohio-Outside of Franklin County	8630	10293	-16.2%
Total	10209	12640	-19.2%
Foreign Protection Orders	458	480	-4.6%

Division: Administration

Real Estate

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Real Estate Division staff set foreclosure sale dates for all foreclosed properties within Franklin County. The staff works closely with the courts and law firms prior to the sale. The staff continues to work with the courts, law firms, and buyers after the sale to secure the deeds to the properties.

Activity	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Order of Sales	731	2047	-64.3%
Properties Sold	270	728	-62.9%
No Bid / No Sale	79	230	-65.7%
Properties Withdrawn	241	427	-43.6%
Sheriff's Fees To General Fund	\$313,071.22	\$1,083,499.76	-71.1%

Internal Affairs Bureau

Comprised of four Lieutenants, the Internal Affairs Bureau is responsible for investigations into the alleged misconduct by employees of the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. These complaints include those filed by the public or other employees of the Sheriff's Office. Investigations may also result from the routine review of reports submitted, primarily consisting of response to aggression incidents. Internal Affairs conducts administrative investigations into any use of deadly force by deputies.

Activity	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Total Reports	585	593	-1.3%
Use of Force Reviews	511	509	0.4%
Justified Reports	507	507	0.0%
Unfounded Investigations	3	3	0.0%
Withdrawn Complaints	0	1	-100.0%
Investigations closed as Other	0	2	-100.0%
Reports filed for information	61	70	-12.9%
Employees that resigned	1	0	0

Public Records

The Public Records Office is responsible for video camera footage, investigation reports, criminal records, and all other publicly available information not listed in the Records Bureau.

Public records shall be defined as any document, device, or item, regardless of physical form or characteristic, created or received by, or coming under the jurisdiction of the office, which serves to document the organization, function, policies, decisions, procedures, operations, or other activities of the office.

Public records are to be available for inspection during regular business hours, with the exception of published holidays. Public records must be made available for inspection promptly. Copies of public records must be made available within a reasonable period of time. "Prompt" and "reasonable" take into account the volume of records requested; the proximity of the location where the records are stored; and the necessity for any legal review of the records requested.



Division: Administrative Services

Director of Administrative Services David M Masterson

David M. Masterson is Director of Administrative Services, with responsibility for the Finance, Human Resources, Records and Information Technology Departments. Dave has been with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office since 2000 and previously served as Director of Finance from April 2006 to January 2013.

Dave graduated from Bellarmine University in Louisville, Kentucky with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Administration and received his Master of Business Administration from Capital University in Columbus, Ohio.



Units under Administrative Services

Finance and Purchasing

Human Resources

Information Technology

Payroll

Records

Division: Administrative Services

Human Resources

Human Resources is charged with the delivery and coordination of employee services including health care, retirement, workers compensation, and other employee benefits. The staff maintains management records which includes position descriptions, classification specifications, applicant data, disciplinary records, and personnel files. Recruitment, interviewing, testing, background investigations, and hiring of applicants are coordinated through Human Resources.

Human Resources also coordinates the Sheriff's affirmative action's programs and policies. The staff prepares legal documentation for administrative and other legal hearings or actions. Human Resources is also responsible for the development of office policies addressing such areas as affirmative action, labor relations, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the Family and Medical Leave Act.

Activity	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
New Hires	18	79	-77.2%
Resignations	11	47	-76.6%
Laid Off	0	0	0
Retirements	0	9	-100.0%
Disability Retirements	2	1	100.0%
Involuntary Disability Removal	0	0	0
Removals	2	7	-71.4%
Deaths	2	1	100.0%
Promotions, Demotions, Changes	14	110	-87.3%

Information Technology

The Information Technology (IT) Department provides extensive project management services, technology leadership, and consulting to the Franklin County Sheriff's Office as well as many other law enforcement agencies in the central Ohio region. Shanon Crowther serves as the Information Technology Director.

The primary activities of the IT Department include the research, procurement, installation, and maintenance on all computer workstations, servers, physical and virtual technological infrastructures including network based database designs, and specialized vendor systems within the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. This includes more than 800 computers, 100 printers, 80 Mobile Data Terminals (MDT), and various forms of mobile communication equipment. The IT Department provides emergency support for Sheriff's Office applications year-round, 24 hours a day.

The IT Department collaborates with law enforcement and criminal justice partners throughout the county to develop technology solutions that will assist them in investigating and solving cases, while preventing crime. The IT Department advances public safety communications by providing support for the Sheriff's Office E911/Communications center.

Division: Administrative Services

Records

The Records Department is responsible for warrants, missing persons, offense reports and accidents reports.

Records Department personnel enter stolen property, stolen vehicles and warrants into the National Crime Information computer. They also perform computer and file searches for wanted suspects when requested by deputies and other law enforcement agencies. Personnel assigned consist of a Records Manager, Assistant Records Manager and 17 Records Technicians.

Finance and Purchasing

The Franklin County Sheriff's Finance Department oversees all financial and purchasing matters of the Sheriff's Office. It directs the annual performance-based program budgets for the office, which includes monitoring expenditures and performance measures, producing financial reports and projections, conducting financial analysis, and implementing fiscal control policies and procedures. This department represents the Sheriff by presenting budget, fiscal, and contract requests before the Board of County Commissioners for approval.

The Finance Department also develops and administers contracts for police and dispatching services. Finance staff is responsible for managing all grants received by the Sheriff's Office including submitting applications and financial reports. Other duties of the department include writing competitive bid documents for products and services utilized by the office. Finance staff also has the responsibility for ordering, receiving, storing and distributing office supplies for the Sheriff's Office, as well as food, housekeeping, and laundry supplies for the correctional facilities.

Each year, the Finance Department participates in the preparation of two budget documents. The first is a tax budget required under ORC 5705.28 and is used as the basis for the annual operating budget for the following year. The second, and more important, document is the annual operating budget, which outlines how the Sheriff's Office expects to expend its appropriated funds, and what revenues are anticipated to be collected in the coming year. This budget includes requests for additional personnel as well as new and replacement capital equipment (i.e. vehicles, computers, etc.), which are justified through performance measures. A baseline budget is also developed for personal services, benefits, along with materials and services. Following the approval of the budget by the Board of County Commissioners, the Sheriff's Finance Department begins the process of securing purchase orders, developing competitive bid documents, and vouchering invoices for payment of supplies and services.

In 2003, Franklin County embarked upon a "Managing for Results" budget initiative, which directly links human, capital, and financial resources to achieve strategic results. Consequently, the Sheriff's Office develops a strategic business plan and performance measures for each of its program budgets.

Division: Administrative Services

Expense Budget by Program

Program	2018 Actual	2019 Approved Budget	2020 Approved Budget	Change 2019 Approved vs. 2020 Approved
Administrative Support	\$8,403,350	\$8,978,341	\$8,872,470	1.2%
Training Academy	\$2,953,698	\$3,258,733	\$3,239,173	0.6%
Investigation	\$13,554,321	\$13,823,112	\$14,602,361	-5.3%
Custody/Jail Operations	\$60,709,793	\$55,713,294	\$63,421,898	-12.2%
Community Response and Safety Education	\$8,664,190	\$9,488,500	\$9,665,769	-1.8%
Call for Service	\$2,930,861	\$3,273,426	\$3,741,255	-12.5%
Patrol	\$21,316,058	\$19,103,903	\$19,567,444	-2.4%
Information Technology	\$2,754,630	\$2,950,753	\$3,394,184	-13.1%
Jail Medical Care	\$13,715,006	\$14,845,361	\$14,597,308	1.7%
Court Services	\$18,544,339	\$20,774,845	\$22,027,978	-5.7%
Total	\$153,546,247	\$152,210,268	\$163,129,840	-6.7%

Division: Corrections

Chief Deputy Penny Perry- Balonier

Chief Perry began her law enforcement career with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office in 1995. In 2003 she was promoted to corporal and continued to move up through the ranks. During her career, she has worked in the Corrections Division and Patrol Division-Communications Center. In 2012 she was appointed to Major of the Corrections Division. She was then appointed to her current position of Chief Deputy for the Corrections Division in 2017. She is a graduate of Northwestern University - School of Police Staff and Command, and the National Jail Leadership Command Academy (NJLCA). She has served as a mentor for the Jail Executive Development Program (JEDP) and has also served as a mentor for the NJLCA. She was a track manager for the 2017 American Jail Association (AJA) Conference and will serve on several committees for the 2018 AJA Conference. She was recently elected to serve a three-year term on the AJA Board of Directors. Chief Perry oversaw the Green Task Force Team, Facility Improvement Committee, and the Community Service Crews. In addition to her current position, she is a founding member of the Women in Leadership Chapter for the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. She is an active member of the Buckeye State Sheriff's Association (BSSA), and serves on the Medical/Mental Health and Community Corrections Committee, the National Sheriff's Association (NSA), and American Jail Association.



Units under Corrections

Identification Bureau

Professional Services Bureau

Division: Corrections

FCCC1 is also known as the Main Jail. This facility houses only male inmates and has a bed capacity of 643.

FCCC2 houses both male and female inmates and has a capacity of 1675.

The combined staffing for the correction facilities consists of one (1) Chief Deputy, two (2) Majors, one (1) Captain, six (6) Lieutenants, twenty-seven (27) Sergeants, and 315 Deputies. The primary responsibility of the uniform staff is to maintain the safety and security for all incarcerated in our facilities with care, custody, and control

The vision of the Corrections Division is to assist those incarcerated in our facilities by providing various programs, including the ability to participate in community crews such as the Road Crew and Animal Shelter Crew, to help reduce recidivism and guide those incarcerated to become productive citizens upon release.

Franklin County Corrections Center I, located at 370 South Front Street, is a six hundred forty-three (643) bed maximum security facility. Approximately ninety (90%) of this facilities population is felons.

Activity	2020	2019	Change from
Average Daily Population	Totals	Totals	2019
January	492	491	0.2%
February	483	494	-2.2%
March	473	488	-3.1%
April	210	490	-57.1%
May	184	488	-62.3%
June	227	495	-54.1%
July	250	487	-48.7%
August	298	489	-39.1%
September	348	476	-26.9%
October	406	503	-19.3%
November	464	481	-3.5%
December	473	480	-1.5%

Franklin County Correction Center II, located at 2460 Jackson Pike, is a one thousand six hundred eighty-eight (1,688) bed minimum/maximum security facility. Approximately 60% of this population is felons.

Activity	2020	2019	Change from
Average Daily Population	Totals	Totals	2019
January	1437	1426	0.8%
February	1479	1415	4.5%
March	1291	1447	-10.8%
April	1142	1487	-23.2%
May	1180	1456	-19.0%
June	1226	1425	-14.0%
July	1229	1430	-14.1%
August	1235	1420	-13.0%
September	1310	1468	-10.8%
October	1272	1402	-9.3%
November	1226	1382	-11.3%
December	1148	1375	-16.5%

Division: Corrections

Identification Bureau

The Identification Bureau is primarily responsible for the accurate identification through various means of inmates processed through the Sheriff's two jails. The Bureau also provides identification related services to the courts, the State of Ohio, and law enforcement agencies. Units within the bureau are located at both FCCC1 and FCCC2,

In each unit, identification technicians are responsible for the electronic capture, searching and storage of biometric data (fingerprints, palm prints, photographs), DNA collection, recording arrest and/or processing data to updated local files. The review and forward the information to the courts, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation and Identification (BCI&I). The staff offers additional support to the courts, law enforcement, and the Sheriff's Investigations Division.

The Identification Bureau additionally is responsible for a multitude of tasks dealing with the conversion of paper files to electronic storage, sealings/expungements, and responding to questions presented by the public and government agencies.

Activity ID Processes	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
January	2733	2638	3.6%
February	2575	2572	0.1%
March	1645	2794	-41.1%
April	784	2724	-71.2%
May	1115	2762	-59.6%
June	1282	2567	-50.1%
July	1511	2710	-44.2%
August	1696	2841	-40.3%
September	1802	2640	-31.7%
October	1715	2592	-33.8%
November	1362	2270	-40.0%
December	1261	2381	-47.0%

Division: Corrections

Professional Services Bureau

The Professional Services Bureau of Corrections Division is responsible for the day-to-day operations of both Franklin County Corrections Center – including corrections staff, kitchen services, commissary, social services, medical/mental health, and the chapel.

The PSB consists of the following personnel:

- Commissary
 - 6 Storekeepers
 - 2 Supervisors
- Social Services
 - 6 Social Workers
 - 1 Supervisor
- Chapel
 - 1 Chaplain
- Kitchen
 - 17 Cooks
 - 2 Supervisors
- Medical/Mental Health Care
 - Contracted professionals with NaphCare
 - 1 Contract Monitor/Clinical Liaison
 - 1 Contract Monitor/Health Services Coordinator
 - 3 Medical Health Coordinators
- 20 Corrections Classification Specialists
- 48 Corrections Service Coordinators
- 37 Corrections Record Officers
- 8 Corrections Record Officer Supervisors
- 1 Secretary
- 7 Deputies
- 8 Sergeants
- 3 Lieutenants
- 1 Captain

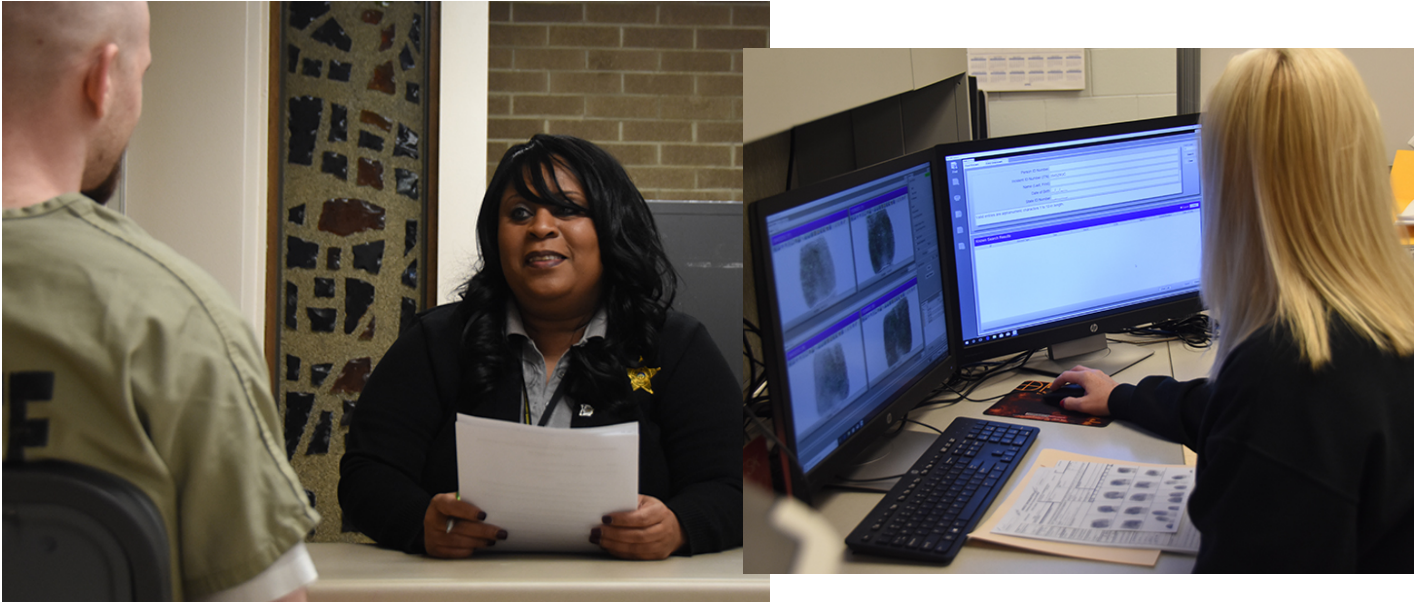
Division: Corrections

VISION

PSB will work collaboratively with community partnerships and with members of the Franklin County Corrections to improve and enhance the quality of life for our inmates without compromising safety and security.

VALUES

Honesty, Integrity, Safety, Ethics, Security, Community, Fairness, Professionalism, Excellence, Cooperation, Teamwork, Partnership, Communications, Consistency, Accountability, Acceptance, Care, Diversity, Respect, Sensitivity, and Vision are values from which PSB's foundation was formed.



Division: Investigations

Chief Deputy Rick Minerd Jr

Chief Deputy Rick Minerd Jr. began his career with the Sheriff's Office in May, 1991. He has gone on to serve in the Corrections Division, Communications Center, Patrol Bureau, Detective Bureau, and Special Investigations Unit. In addition, he served as a member of the FCSO Dive Team and Honor Guard. Chief Deputy Minerd has spent several years serving as an operator, team leader, and eventually Commander of the SWAT Team.

Chief Deputy Minerd is a graduate of the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command. He earned a Bachelor's of Science degree in Public Safety Management, and a Master's of Science degree in Business Administration, both from Franklin University.

His experiences include initiating the Sheriff's Office first Emergency Operations Center during the I-270 Highway Shooter investigation, establishing the Sheriff's Office's first Crime Prevention Analyst, and playing a significant role in the successful prosecution of a number of high profile homicide investigations, drug cases, and other crimes in Central Ohio.

Chief Deputy Minerd understands the necessity for collaboration and strong partnerships throughout the community. He has served as a panelist for the Ohio Criminal Justice Services - Drug Trends Conference, where he spoke extensively about synthetic drugs. He has also served as a liaison to the Mid-Ohio Amber Alert Board, Columbus City Child Fatality Review Board, Parents of Murdered Children, and other groups, such as the Franklin County Police Chief's Association and Homeland Security Advisory Council.

Because of his vast experience and leadership, Chief Deputy Minerd is the recipient of numerous awards of Commendation and Merit from the Buckeye State Sheriff's Association.



Units under Investigations

Public Affairs

Detective Bureau

Concealed Carry

Environmental Crimes Unit

Photography Laboratory

Property Room

Special Investigations Unit

Division: Investigations

Public Affairs

The Public Affairs Office is responsible for working with the media to inform the public and residents of Franklin County of the daily happenings of the Sheriff's Office. This includes organizing and presenting news conferences, working with media at incident scenes to convey real time updates, publication and dissemination of the quarterly newsletter, creating and distributing news interest stories to appropriate media entities, and all other forms of public information distribution.

The office is led by the Public Information Officer who, in addition to the aforementioned duties, also serves as the spokesperson for the Sheriff and the Sheriff's Office.

Detective Bureau

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Detective Bureau is responsible for the investigation of criminal activity throughout Franklin County. This is accomplished by investigators interviewing victims, witnesses, interrogating suspects, collecting and analyzing physical evidence, and reviewing previous crime reports. The investigators document their efforts in a case file which is presented to the Prosecutor's Office for the prosecution of the defendant.

Investigations	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Reports Received	4776	8284	-42.3%
Detective Bureau Investigations	4776	8284	-42.3%
Cleared by Arrest	1621	1846	-12.2%
Cleared Closed	1574	4084	-61.5%
Cleared Unfounded	33	68	-51.5%
Major Crime Totals			
Homicides	8	6	33.3%
Sexual Offenses	127	196	-35.2%
Robberies	70	73	-4.1%
Assaults	640	735	-12.9%
Burglaries/B&E	210	322	-34.8%
Thefts	1040	1554	-33.1%
Arrests			
Detective Bureau	1533	1735	-11.6%
Juvenile Bureau	88	111	-20.7%
Total	1621	1846	-12.2%

Division: Investigations

Photography Laboratory

The Photo Lab develops and prints all film generated by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office including all mug shots, crime scene photographs, evidence photographs, accident photographs and special events. Upon request from any department or agency, the Photo Lab will provide technical assistance.

Activity	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Digital Images Handled	799,429	657,962	21.5%
Concealed Carry Applications	12,430	9,412	32.1%
Money Received For Services	\$760,576.00	\$572,626.00	32.8%
Web Checks	7,234	7,839	-7.7%

Property Room

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Property room is responsible for the documentation, storage, chain of evidence, disposal and release of all property impounded by Deputies.

Impounds	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Gun	219	250	-12.4%
Other	14606	15946	-8.4%
Items	14825	16196	-8.5%
Releases			
Gun	63	92	-31.5%
Other	321	357	-10.1%
Items	384	449	-14.5%
Lab Runs			
Sent	764	1132	-32.5%
Returned	752	1121	-32.9%
Items	1516	2253	-32.7%
Notices Sent	237	272	-12.9%

Division: Investigations

SORN (Sex Offender Registration Notification)

Activity	2020 Totals
Sex Offenders	1801
Arson Offenders	187
Violent Offenders	92
Out of County Offenders	172
Total Offenders	2250
Offenders reported to the Office	6156
Offenders verified at registered residence	284
Grand Jury Summaries filed	84
Warrants Filed	97

The Tier classification system requirements are as follows:

- **Tier 1** - Sex offenders must register with the County Sheriff at least once annually for a period of 15 years. In addition, must register any change of residential address, place of employment, or enrollment in a school or institution of higher education.
- **Tier 2** - Sex offenders must register with the County Sheriff every 180 days for a period of 25 years. In addition, must register any change of residential address, place of employment, or enrollment in a school or institution of higher education.
- **Tier 3** - Sex offenders must register with the County Sheriff every 90 days for life. In addition, must register any change of residential address, place of employment, or enrollment in a school or institution of higher education.

Note: Tier III sex offenders are also subject to community notification, which means upon a change of residential address, the County Sheriff will provide notice to a neighborhood within 1,250 feet of the sex offender's residential address. The County Sheriff will also provide notice to schools, registered day-care providers, and law enforcement agencies within the 1,250 foot radius.

Tier sex offender classifications are determined based upon criminal conviction of offenses and criteria outlined in the table below.

Ohio offenses under Adam Walsh Act Tiers

Tier I

1. Importuning 2907.07
2. Unlawful Sexual Conduct with a Minor 2907.04 (B)(2), unless consensual, case then not registration offense
3. Voyeurism 2907.08 (C) and (D) against a minor
4. Sexual Imposition 2907.06
5. Gross Sexual Imposition 2907.05 (A)(1)-(3) (5)
6. Illegal Use of a Minor in Nudity-oriented Material or Performance 2907.323 (A)(3) (AWA non-Ohio)
7. Voyeurism 2907.08 (A)(B) & (E) (Ohio, non-AWA)
8. Child Enticement 2905.05 (sexual motivation) (Ohio, non-AWA)

Division: Investigations

Tier II

1. Compelling Prostitution 2907.21
2. Pandering Obscenity Involving a Minor 2907.321
3. Pandering Sexually Oriented Material Involving a Minor 2907.322
4. Illegal Use of a Minor in Nudity-oriented Material or Performance 2907.323 (A)(1) & (2)
5. Child Endangering 2919.22 (B)(5)
6. Kidnapping with Sexual Motivation 2905.01 (A)(1)(3)(5)
7. Unlawful Sexual Conduct with a Minor 2907.04 (B)(1)(3)(4)
8. Any Sexual Offense that occurs after the offender has been classified as a Tier I sex offender

Tier III

1. Rape 2907.02
2. Sexual Battery 2907.03
3. Aggravated Murder with Sexual Motivation 2903.01
4. Murder with Sexual Motivation 2903.02
5. Unlawful Death or Termination of Pregnancy As A Result of Committing or Attempting to Commit a Felony with Sexual Motivation 2903.04
6. Kidnapping of Minor to Engage in Sexual Activity 2905.01(A)(4)
7. Kidnapping of Minor, Not By Parent 2905.01(B)
8. Gross Sexual Imposition 2907.05 (A)(4) (Under 13)*
9. Felonious Assault with Sexual Motivation 2903.11**
10. Any Sexual Offense that occurs after the offender has been classified as a Tier II sex offender

* Federal offense is victim under 16

** comparable to Attempted Sexual Abuse 18 USCS 2242



Division: Investigations

Special Investigations Unit

The Special Investigation Unit (SIU) is responsible for the covert investigation of narcotics, Internet Crimes against Children, vice offenses and the collection, analysis and dissemination of criminal intelligence. They are also used in any investigation which requires the use of an undercover officers. The expertise of those assigned within the unit when dealing with certain crimes.

Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC) Task Force

The goal of the Franklin County Internet Crimes against Children Task Force is to aggressively investigate cases involving the on-line exploitation of children and child pornography.

H.O.P.E. Task Force

Heroin Overdose Prevention & Education (HOPE) Task Force

The HOPE Task Force combats the heroin epidemic with a multi-pronged approach: enforcement, education, and prevention. We know that fighting addiction and death from drug overdose is a community problem and requires a community solution.

Established in 2016, the Heroin Overdose Prevention & Education Task Force was created as a restructuring of the Franklin County Drug Task Force. Experienced narcotics and homicide detectives working on the HOPE Task Force are treating opiate overdose scenes as crime scenes; investigating the source of the supply that caused the overdose.

In addition, HOPE Task Force collaborates with treatment providers to refer those with substance use disorders to long term treatment. Detectives are armed with the knowledge and partnership of treatment providers in the Franklin County community to help addicts instead of locking them up.

Prevention and education is key to our long term plan and HOPE works closely with the already established and nationally recognized Operation Street Smart to provide awareness of the growing problem.



Division: Investigations

Special Investigations Unit

Arrests	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Narcotics	203	254	-20.1%
Gambling	0	0	0
Prostitution	4	33	-87.9%
Other Arrests	187	161	16.1%
Dogfighting	0	0	0
ICAC	46	59	-22.0%
Total Arrests	440	357	23.2%
Search Warrants Executed			
Narcotics	274	140	95.7%
Gambling	0	0	0
Prostitution	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Dogfighting	0	0	0
ICAC	155	199	-22.1%
Falsification	0	0	0
Total Search Warrants	429	339	26.5%
Complaints Received			
Narcotics	360	296	21.6%
Gambling	0	0	0
Prostitution	0	6	-100.0%
Liquor	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
ICAC	320	138	131.9%
Dog/Cockfighting	0	0	0
Total	680	433	57.0%
Purchased/Seized Narcotics			
Total Street Value	\$6,246,739.40	\$12,573,222	-50.3%

Division: Investigations

Environmental Crimes Unit

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Environmental Crimes Unit currently employs one (1) full-time deputy who is responsible for the investigation, arrest or citation and prosecution of persons and/or corporations, suspected of violating the environmental laws of the State of Ohio, within Franklin County.

This would include, but not limited to; littering, open dumping, open burning, air pollution, water pollution and the transportation of scrap tires.

The Environmental Crimes Unit works closely with the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office, Franklin County Public Health, and the City of Columbus Department of Public Services, funded by Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio, the Environmental Crimes unit is responsible for conducting periodic inspections of scrap and junkyards within Franklin County. The ECU is also a part of a federal Environmental Task Force.



Division: Patrol

Chief Deputy Jim Gilbert

Chief Jim Gilbert grew up in Cincinnati and comes from a law enforcement family. His father is a retired Cincinnati Police Specialist and his brother is a current Cincinnati Police Officer. He was an Explorer with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. He was a Firefighter/EMT with the Miami Township Fire Dept. He graduated the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy in 1993. He worked and attended classes at the College of Mt. St. Joseph. He worked as a police officer at the Miami University in Oxford, Ohio until he was hired at the Columbus Division of Police in 1996. He worked almost his entire career on 3rd shift assigned to the 11th Precinct. In 2006 he was elected as President of the Fraternal Order of Police-Capital City Lodge #9 a position he held for 6 years.

In 2007 He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. While at CPD he received many awards & commendations; which included 2 Chief's Special Commendations, The Blue Star, The Medal of Merit, 2 separate Officer of the Year Awards, the MADD TOP COP Award, Central Ohio Crime Stoppers Officer of the Year, The Ohio Attorney General's Distinguished Service Award, and a FCSO Certificate of Merit. He served on the Honor Guard, Officer Support Team, State FOP CISM Team, FTO, CIT Member and guest academy instructor. He has extensive training in critical incident response and on numerous occasions has been a requested speaker on the topic. He retired from CPD on Jan. 1, 2013 and was hired at the Franklin County Sheriff's Office at the rank of Major on Jan. 2, 2013. He was promoted to the rank of Chief Deputy on Feb. 10, 2014. He is very passionate about the profession of law enforcement and his leadership style is to "lead from the front". He currently commands over 175 sworn and civilian employees in the Patrol Bureau.



Units under Patrol

Bicycle Patrol

Canine Unit

Honor Guard

Mounted Unit

Patrol Bureau

Special Deputies

Traffic Bureau

Weight Enforcement

Division: Patrol

Patrol Bureau

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Patrol Bureau is responsible for patrolling Franklin County and enforcing the criminal and traffic laws of the State of Ohio. Patrol deputies answer calls for service and complete written reports on crimes. In many cases they conduct the preliminary investigation on criminal activity. Patrol deputies respond to traffic accidents rendering aid to the injured when necessary as well as investigating the causative factors and conditions surrounding the accident.

Patrol deputies also perform many support services to the other bureaus of the Sheriff's Office. Personnel assigned consist of (1) Chief Deputy, (1) Major, (3) Lieutenants, (19) Sergeants, (98) Deputies, and (3) Civilians. Total Personnel at full staffing: 125.

Activity	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Dispatched Runs	238,447	241,559	-1.3%
Pick Up Runs	46,848	57,887	-19.1%
Domestic Runs	438	545	-19.6%
Domestic Assists	938	1,251	-25.0%
Reports Taken	3,620	3,867	-6.4%
F.I. Cards	27	75	-64.0%
Record Checks	11,515	16,497	-30.2%
House Checks	4,942	4,700	5.1%
Business Checks	22,338	25,659	-12.9%
Citizen Assists	5,412	7,363	-26.5%
Stolen Vehicles Recovered	441	354	24.6%
Vehicles Impounded	2,240	2,845	-21.3%
Traffic Warnings	4,508	8,018	-43.8%
Non-Crash Citations	5,281	8,642	-38.9%
OMVI Arrests	194	427	-54.6%
Felony Arrests	418	493	-15.2%
Misdemeanor Arrests	1,476	2,290	-35.5%
Warrant Arrest – Felony	543	557	-2.5%
Warrant Arrest – Misdemeanor	727	1,909	-61.9%
Prisoners Conveyed	1,582	2,054	-23.0%
Trustees Conveyed	69	372	-81.5%
Twp. / Village Meetings	48	44	9.1%
Total Miles Driven	1,233,368	1,363,769	-9.6%
Total Crashes Investigated	1,785	2,473	-27.8%
Crash Citations	1,435	1,934	-25.8%
Total On-Duty Hours	181,557.95	150,107.70	21.0%
Special Assignment Hours	7,307.75	9,162.65	-20.2%
In-Service Training Hours	2,781.50	5,021.50	-44.6%
Overtime Worked	12,917.55	11,130.70	16.1%
Comp Time (Earned)	4,925.50	5,668.52	-13.1%
Court Time (Earned)	802.50	1,536.75	-47.8%
Sick Time (Used)	5,072.50	6,141.25	-17.4%
Approved Time Off (PI, Cu, Va)	33,820.25	31,923.00	5.9%

Division: Patrol

Canine Unit

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Canine Unit is a part of the Patrol Bureau. Responsibilities include tracking of criminal suspects and lost persons, evidence recovery, bomb detection, drug detection, and general patrol duties. The Canine Unit is one of the few available in central Ohio and their use is often requested by other agencies.

The unit also goes to schools, fairs, and other public events to demonstrate the important work they do, as well as showing the public how well they are trained in getting the bad guys – while also showing how friendly and loving they are with the good guys.

All of the canines in this unit are trained in general police work, along with a specialize focus.

Activity	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Dispatched Runs	1262	1621	-22.1%
Pick Up Runs	4016	4459	-9.9%
Total Miles Driven	150878	156,147	-3.4%
Canine Related Runs	540	933	-42.1%
Canine Demonstrations	15	22	-31.8%
Request for Canine Assistance	287	455	-36.9%
Building Searches	8	20	-60.0%
Track Runs	27	25	8.0%
Evidence Searches	12	11	9.1%
Area Searches	12	13	-7.7%
Explosive Detection	46	98	-53.1%
Narcotics Detection	302	193	56.5%
Canine Related Arrests	7	16	-56.3%
Canine Assisted Arrests	31	92	-66.3%
Canine Use of Force	1	4	-75.0%
Suspects Arrested	48	153	-68.6%
Canine Illness / Injury Hours	88	45.5	93.4%
Total Hours Worked	11169	11,632	-4.0%
Overtime Worked	1006	961	4.7%
In-Service Training	1069	1,093	-2.2%
Outside Agency Requests	271	349	-22.3%

K9-1 Sgt. Aaron Heflin and Vando - Explosives/Patrol



Sergeant Heflin is a 17-year veteran of the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. His partner, Vando, is a 6-year old German Shepherd specializing in explosive detection.

K9-2 Sgt. Jeff Valentine and Will - Narcotics/Patrol



Sergeant Valentine is a 12-year veteran of the FCSO. His partner, Will, is a 5-year old German Shepherd. Will has specialized training in narcotic detection.

Division: Patrol

K9-3 Deputy Jeremey Copas and Atrey - Explosives/Patrol



Deputy Copas is a 21-year veteran of the FCSO. His partner, Atrey, is a 6-year old Belgian Malinois trained in explosive detection.

K9-4 Deputy Zach Cooper and Turbo - Narcotics/Patrol



Deputy Cooper is a 17-year veteran of the FCSO. His partner, Turbo, is a 3-year old German Shepherd with specialized training in narcotics detection.

Division: Patrol

K9-5 Deputy Jimmy McCoy and Riddick - Narcotics/Patrol



Deputy McCoy is a 23-year veteran of the Sheriff's Office. His partner, Riddick, is a 6-year old Belgian Malinois with specialized training in narcotics detection.

K9-6 Deputy Mike Severance and Jack - Narcotics/Patrol



Deputy Severance is a 44-year veteran of the Franklin County Sheriff's Office, and is the longest serving member of the Canine Unit with 31 years as a canine handler. His partner, Jack, is a 7-year old German Shepherd specializing in narcotics detection.

Division: Patrol

K9-7 Deputy Robert McKee and Gator - Narcotics/Patrol



Deputy McKee is a 32-year veteran of the Sheriff's Office, and has been a canine handler for 17 of those years. His partner, Gator, is 3-year old Dutch Shepard, and the newest member of the unit. He is specialty trained in narcotics detection.

K9-8 Deputy Roderick Thorne and Diablo - Explosives/Patrol



Deputy Thorne is a 20-year veteran of the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. His partner, Diablo, is a 5-year old German Shepherd that has specialized training in explosive detection.

Division: Patrol

Special Deputies

The Franklin County Sheriff's Special Deputies are citizens who volunteer their time and equipment to assist the Sheriff's Office. The Special Deputies are certified peace officers through the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy.

2019 Personnel: 49

2019 Total Hours Donated: 8,507.75

2020 Personnel: 48

2020 Total Hours Donated: 2,305

Percent Change in Personnel: -2.0

Percent Change in Hours Donated: -72.90

2020 Activities

Assistance to the personnel in all areas of the Sheriff's Office
Dignitary Visits
Franklin County Board of Elections Details
St. Stephens Community Center Christmas Care Program
SWAT Team Details

SWAT

Members assist the FCSO Swat team with various swat functions.

**Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Special Deputies lost most of their normal events and activities for the 2020 calendar year.

Division: Patrol

Traffic Bureau

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Traffic Bureau is responsible for the investigation of fatal, serious injury, hit skip, and department vehicle crashes. The bureau also investigates and, if necessary, removes abandoned and junk vehicles, and is responsible for the disposition of vehicles impounded by members of the Office. For the year 2016, 29 fatal crashes were investigated.

The Traffic Bureau is comprised of two (2) sergeants, two (2) deputies, and one (1) civilian.

Investigations	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Fatal Traffic Crashes Investigated	34	31	9.7%
Alcohol Involved	19	18	5.6%
Traffic Fatalities	36	31	16.1%
Drivers Killed	20	14	42.9%
Passengers Killed	2	2	0.0%
Pedestrians Killed	12	6	100.0%
Motorcycle Drivers Killed	2	6	-66.7%
Bicyclists Killed	0	3	-100.0%
Serious Injury Crashes Investigated	4	3	33.3%
Hit Skips Investigated	139	168	-17.3%
Sheriff's Office Crashes			
Total Crashes	35	63	-44.4%
Marked Vehicles	24	44	-45.5%
Unmarked Vehicles	11	19	-42.1%
Deputies Injured	4	10	-60.0%
Deputies at Fault	17	30	-43.3%
Abandoned / Junk Vehicles			
Abandoned / Junk Vehicles Titles Notarized	410	853	-51.9%
Affidavit Sent of Search	1743	2029	-14.1%

Division: Patrol

Traffic Activity	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Crash Reports Taken	45	45	0.0%
Crash Citations Issued	15	18	-16.7%
Non-Crash Citations	534	599	-10.9%
OMVI Arrests	3	0	0
School Bus Complaints	4	50	-92.0%
School Bus Violation Citations	0	0	0
Parking / Traffic Warnings	440	486	-9.5%
Citizen Assists	74	52	42.3%
Felony Cases			
Vehicular Homicide	0	5	-100.0%
Felony DUI	2	7	-71.4%
Felony Hit-Skips	1	4	-75.0%
Felony Fleeing	3	6	-50.0%
Other Felony Traffic	2	0	0
Sobriety Checkpoints			
Checkpoints	0	16	-100.0%
Vehicles in Zone	0	11,079	-100.0%
Vehicles Checked	0	5,089	-100.0%
Vehicles Diverted	0	357	-100.0%
DUI Arrests	0	12	-100.0%
Traffic Citations	0	217	-100.0%
No Operator's License Arrests	0	122	-100.0%
Misdemeanor Arrests	0	23	-100.0%
Felony Arrests	0	4	-100.0%
Administrative and General			
Misdemeanor Arrests	11	10	0
Felony Arrests	6	7	10.0%
Offense Reports Taken	16	7	-14.3%
Crash Reports Taken in Office	116	83	128.6%
In-Service Training	118	498	39.8%
Interviews Conducted	300	77	-76.3%
Office Detail Hours	4478	3,628	289.6%
Crash Reports Checked	1625	1,941	23.4%
Sick Time	146	0	0
Overtime	595	692	-14.0%
Miles Driven	120,654	116,373	3.7%

Division: Patrol

Weight Enforcement

The primary function of the Franklin County Sheriff Weight Enforcement Unit is to enforce the state laws regarding overloaded, oversized vehicles, in order to preserve the roadways and bridges in Franklin County. The Weight Enforcement Unit is a self-supporting unit, funded through the Franklin County Engineer's Road and Bridge Fund. Personnel assigned consists of two (2) deputies.

Activity	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Overload Cites	284	387	-26.6%
Other Truck Violations	88	116	-24.1%
Overload Warnings	18	33	-45.5%
Other Truck Warnings	185	259	-28.6%

Weight Enforcement Fines Issued

January	38,396	23,720	61.9%
February	20,906	21,489	-2.7%
March	16,368	23,082	-29.1%
April	0.00	26,470	-100.0%
May	19,132	32,021	-40.3%
June	22,951	21,959	4.5%
July	21,535	25,498	-15.5%
August	23,725	32,910	-27.9%
September	27,222	31,408	-13.3%
October	25,605	29,399	-12.9%
November	28,742	23,858	20.5%
December	26,669	27,254	-2.1%
Totals:	271,251	319,068	-15.0%

Weight Enforcement Fines Collected

January	23,730	10,742	120.9%
February	21,489	8,007	168.4%
March	22,328	11,529	93.7%
April	26,411	14,266	85.1%
May	32,069	12,439	157.8%
June	21,959	9,652	127.5%
July	22,840	13,769	65.9%
August	32,897	8,510	286.6%
September	31,262	16,688	87.3%
October	29,404	13,762	113.7%
November	23,658	11,643	103.2%
December	19,739	9,623	105.1%
Totals:	307,786	140,634	118.9%

Division: Patrol

Bicycle Patrol

A rapidly growing area of Law Enforcement is the Sheriff's Bicycle Patrol Deputies. They can go where most cruiser's cannot, and can arrive much faster than by foot.

Honor Guard

The Sheriff's Honor Guard is one of the finest and most respected in the State of Ohio. At a recent ceremony, these Sheriff's Deputies stand tall representing what law enforcement is all about... Pride, Honor, and Integrity.

Mounted Unit

Sheriff's Deputies involved with the Mounted Unit are responsible (at their cost) for the boarding, feeding, and overall care of the Mounted Horses. They can be seen working crowd control during special events, or may even be seen leading the way for the big parade.



Division: Research and Development

Chief Deputy Geoffrey Stobart

The Research and Development team is under the direction of Chief Deputy Geoffrey Stobart.

In 2009, the Franklin County Criminal Justice Planning Board, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners and the Franklin County Sheriff's Office all took a holistic look at the criminal justice system in Franklin County. Their review of the criminal justice system led to a Detention Operations Master Plan being commissioned and completed. As part of the recommendations that emerged from this plan, the need for more modern facilities and operational policies were highlighted.

In 2011 a staffing study was jointly commissioned by Board of Commissioners and Sheriff's Office. The study, which came out in 2012, again identified the need for new facilities and philosophies, as it reported on the staffing inefficiencies created by the Corrections Bureau's physical buildings which, in turn, were driving the overall operational philosophy.

The Correctional Operations Reorganizing for Excellence (C.O.R.E.) team came together in July of 2014, with a mission to build a constitutionally based, environmentally responsible, modern facility serving the citizens of Franklin County, and be recognized as a model in construction, policy & operations, leading our profession into the future. In seeking out the best practices for designing, programming and operating a modern correctional facility, the C.O.R.E. team consulted with more than 25 Sheriff's Offices and law enforcement agencies from around the state and country.

The Franklin County Commissioners and Sheriff's Office held a ground breaking for the new Franklin County Corrections Center, located at 2551 Fisher Road, on November 6, 2017. Check back for status updates of this project and information about the ideas & thought processes that went into designing the new facility.



Division: Security Operations

Chief Deputy Michael Flynn

Chief Michael Flynn has been employed by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office for 38 ½ years. He has worked in every division as both a deputy and supervisor. Chief Flynn is a graduate of the 1988 Northwestern School of Police Staff and Command. Chief Flynn is an Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy certified Basic Training Commander, firearms instructor, and a unit instructor for numerous topics. Chief Flynn has been used the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office to offer testimony as an expert in officer involved deadly force encounters. He has served as a hostage negotiator since 1989 having managed and participated in numerous barricade situations in Franklin County and surrounding counties. Chief Flynn has been the recipient of numerous awards and citations throughout his career including the Medal of Honor, Medal of Merit, and the Criminal Division Supervisor of the Year. Chief Flynn is currently assigned to the Security Operations Division and handles various other administrative duties assigned by the Sheriff.



Units under Security Operations

Court Services Unit

Facility Security Unit

Division: Security Operations

Court Services Unit

The Court Services Unit performs the functions of prisoner transport and courtroom security. Comprised of a staff a combination of deputies and supervisors, the Court Services Unit serves the Court of Common Pleas, Municipal Court and the Domestic Relations/Juvenile Court. This unit utilizes 3 prisoner transport buses and 3 prisoner transport vans.

Common Pleas Court

The Common Pleas Section of Court Services provides deputies to maintain custody of prisoners appearing in courtrooms, providing security in the courtrooms, and ensuring paperwork generated during the court proceedings that is to accompany the inmates is appropriately processed. They also provide deputies for Civil Stalking Protection Order (CSPO) Court and the Domestic Relations/ Juvenile Court sections of Common Pleas.

Convey

Deputies assigned to Convey are responsible for the transporting of newly sentenced prisoners to State Institutions to begin their sentences. They also transport prisoners from state institutions, other county jails, State psychiatric hospitals, and youth camps to the Franklin County Corrections Center for Court appearances. This detail is equipped with two 10-passenger vans. The Convey unit is under the supervision of the Common Pleas Section supervisors and is comprised of four deputies.

Municipal Court

The Municipal Section of Court Services is tasked with transporting prisoners from the jails to both the Common Pleas and Municipal Courthouses for appearance before a judge, providing deputies to maintain custody of prisoners appearing in Municipal courtrooms, and ensuring paperwork generated during the court proceedings is appropriately processed. Deputies in this assignment operate three prisoner transport buses and one prisoner transport van.

Liaison

A Sergeant is also assigned as a liaison officer and works in conjunction with Columbus City Prosecutor and Franklin County Municipal Court Clerk's Office personnel covering an array of functions necessary for effective prosecution of matters with which the Municipal court has authority. The Sheriff's Liaison Office is the channel where communications between the various divisions of the Sheriff's Office and the Courts travels. This Sergeant acts as the Section Sergeant in his absence.

Division: Security Operations

Facility Security Unit

The Facility Security Unit is responsible for maintaining a safe and secure environment for visitors and county employees in the eight structures comprising the government center in downtown Columbus, Ohio and several county agencies at various outlying locations.

The Facility Security Unit works with and collaborates with the supervisors and fifty five deputies of the Court Services Unit when responding to radio calls for assistance, duress alarm activations, threats to judges and calls for medical assistance in the Common Pleas Court House and on the Domestic and Juvenile Division floors of the government center.



Division: Support Services

Chief Deputy Earl Smith

Chief Deputy Earl Smith began his career with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office in August 1981. Chief Deputy Smith served for 32 years at the Sheriff's Office where he held every rank from Deputy to Major. During his time at the Sheriff's Office he has earned numerous awards and commendations and has helped lead the Sheriff's Office through the implementation of many significant reforms in the areas of Communications and Special Operations. In January of 2013, Chief Deputy Smith retired from the Sheriff's Office and began working for the United States Marshal's Service until his appointment as Chief Deputy by Sheriff Baldwin in January 2017. Chief Deputy Smith is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, Session 188.



Units under Support Services

Fugitive Squad

Community Response Bureau

Communication Center

Training Academy

SWAT

Dive Team

Negotiators

Bomb Squad

Chaplain Unit

Unmanned Aircraft Systems

Division: Support Services

Communications

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Communications Center, also known as "Franklin County 911", operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week and is responsible for answering emergency and non-emergency calls for the citizens of Franklin County, Ohio. The Communications Center dispatches Deputy Sheriffs for the unincorporated areas of Franklin County as well as dispatching Police for the municipalities of Obetz, Groveport, Minerva Park, Harrisburg and the following township Police Departments: Franklin, Madison, Blendon, Clinton, Sharon, Perry, Valleyview and Mifflin.

The citizens of Franklin County are provided quick access to emergency services by a team of qualified Communications Technicians and Supervisors. The Franklin County Communications Center is committed to providing outstanding service to the diverse population that we serve, which is why we employ the services of the Language Line, which gives us immediate access within seconds to quality interpreters helping us to communicate with limited English callers.

The Communications Center strives to maintain the latest technology in order to carry out Franklin County's commitment to service, including Enhanced 911 and automatic Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) Services, so that hearing impaired can communicate with 911 personnel.

Activity	2020 Totals	2019 Totals	Change from 2019
Runs Dispatched	238,448	262,698	-9.2%
911 Calls Received	135,805	133,119	2.0%
Dispatched Runs By Duty Shift			
1 st Shift (7:00am – 3:00pm)	88,718	97,195	-8.7%
2 nd Shift (3:00pm-11:00pm)	106,756	116,334	-8.2%
3 rd Shift (11:00pm – 7:00am)	42,974	49,179	-12.6%
Zone 1			
Northwest Franklin County			
10	288	406	-29.1%
11	96	125	-23.2%
12	259	289	-10.4%
13	978	1168	-16.3%
Calls in Columbus	18	16	12.5%
Other Jurisdictions	601	637	-5.7%
Zone 2			
Northeast Franklin County			
20	10,369	12,841	-19.3%
21	312	362	-13.8%
22	15,722	19,528	-19.5%
23	1,581	1,816	-12.9%
Calls in Columbus	259	194	33.5%
Other Jurisdictions	4,455	5,060	-12.0%

Division: Support Services

Zone 3	2020	2019	Change
Southwest Franklin County	Totals	Totals	From 2019
30	2,050	2,360	-13.1%
31	3,616	4,194	-13.8%
32	14,192	14,501	-2.1%
33	11,903	13,419	-11.3%
Calls in Columbus	208	241	-13.7%
Other Jurisdictions	6,530	6,564	-0.5%
Zone 4			
Southeast Franklin County			
40	9,911	13,082	-24.2%
41	1,250	1,512	-17.3%
42	15,170	20,882	-27.4%
43	45	47	-4.3%
Calls in Columbus	422	500	-15.6%
Other Jurisdictions	7,171	7,217	-0.6%



Division: Support Services

Community Intervention and Diversion (CID)

In support of the Stepping Up Initiative (a national initiative to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jails) the Franklin County Sheriff's Office has created the Community Intervention and Diversion (CID). The mission of CID is to coordinate the response of law enforcement and the behavioral health system as well as to assist individuals experiencing crisis resulting from known or suspected mental illness and/or drug and alcohol addiction. The goal is to divert persons from the criminal justice system whenever possible and connect them with appropriate mental health/substance abuse services.

CID currently consists of one sergeant, four deputies and two Netcare clinicians. All deputies within the unit are Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) certified. CIT is a police-based pre-arrest jail diversion program. The program is designed to create a seamless link between law enforcement and emergency mental health services. CIT officers receive approximately 40 hours of training in areas including psychiatric disorders, substance abuse issues, de-escalation techniques, and in legal issues related to mental health and substance abuse.

Activity	2020 Totals
Clinician Assessments	459
Request for Assistance (Inter)	454
Request for Assistance (Intra)	572
Probate Hearings	17
Probate Orders Served	16
Mental Health Follow-Ups	181
Emergency Applications for Admission	221
Voluntary Admissions/ Diversions	150



Division: Support Services

Community Relations

Strong relationships of mutual trust between the Franklin County Sheriff's Office and the communities we serve are critical to maintaining public safety and effective policing. The FCSO relies on the cooperation of community members to provide information about crime in their neighborhoods and to work with us to devise solutions to address crime and quality of life issues.

In order to achieve this goal we have a dedicated Community Relations unit comprised of eleven deputies and two supervisors who are in the community daily creating and maintaining relationships to aid in making Franklin County a great place to live, work and raise a family. This is accomplished through the many programs and classes we present which include:

- Project Lifesaver
- CRASE- Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events
- RAD- Rape Aggression Defense System
- VIPSS- Volunteers in Public Safety Support
- Citizens Academy
- Operation Street Smart- Youth Education
- Operation Street Smart- Gang Education
- Community Events
- Child ID's
- SALT- Seniors and Law Enforcement Together
- Home Security Assessments
- Business Security Assessments
- School Resource Officers
- Therapy Dog Program
- Drone Program

Activity	2020 Totals
Schools Visited	664
Therapy K9 Deployments	204
Meetings	726
Therapy Meetings	31
Arrest	55
Events	110
R.A.D Classes	8
CRASE I Presentations	49
CRASE II Presentations	6
Citizen's Academy Alumni Association Meetings	3
Traffic Stops	86
Gang Presentations	0
Citizen's Academy Class	35
Operation Street Smart 7 th Grade Graduates	760
Operation Street Smart 5 th Grade Graduates	760
CRASE I Participants	1137
R.A.D. Participants	168
CRASE II Participants	163
Citizen's Academy Participants	150

Community Outreach and Engagement

The Community Outreach and Engagement Unit focuses on building and maintaining close, positive relationships within the intersection of diverse communities and the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. Through outreach and engagement initiatives, the unit ensures collaborative problem solving, innovative programming, enhanced understand and accountability between communities and the FCSO.

Our mission is to build and enhance relationships between residents and the FCSO by identifying, then addressing barriers in the community, as well as further developing tailored initiatives for those communities. Therefore, we will establish intercultural and intracultural conversations, educational forums, outreach initiatives, and community events.

Actively serving as a liaison between community leaders, businesses, nonprofits and faith-based organizations by leveraging intersectional relationships in the community to improve the quality of life of Franklin County residents.

Franklin County is proud of it's diverse, vibrant, and multicultural community. We strive to bridge the gap between law enforcement and the communities that we serve.

Division: Support Services

Community Liaison Unit

The Community Liaison Unit is a newly formed unit under the direction of Sheriff Dallas Baldwin. The unit is comprised of 4 Deputies, 1 Sergeant and 1 Crime Analyst. Each Liaison Deputy has over 15 years of experience and is assigned to a specific quadrant within Franklin County. The Crime Analyst supports the Liaison Deputies by analyzing and tracking crime trends.

The Community Liaison Unit's goal is to act as a partner with the community to help solve quality of life issues. Liaison Deputies attend township and block watch meetings to listen to and address community members' concerns. Liaison Deputies work traffic in school zones, address drug complaints, work warrants, address neighborhood crimes as well as assist other divisions within the Sheriff's Office.

Activity	2020 Totals
Other Meetings	297
Township Meetings	96
Narcotics Complaints	105
Miscellaneous Complaints	167
Traffic Citations/ Warning Issued	492
Web Tips Checked	55
Arrest	133
Administrations Meetings	73
Traffic Complaints	161
Theft Complaints	48
Block watch Meetings	7
Zoning Meetings	0
Village Meetings	7

Division: Support Services

Training Academy

The Training Academy is responsible for the training of all Franklin County Deputies and the Basic Training for newly recruited Cadets. The current rank structure of the Training Academy consists of (1) Lieutenant, (3) Sergeants, (8) full time Instructors and (2) Administrative Assistants. All full time Instructors are certified through the Ohio Peace Officer Training Council. In addition to this the Training Academy utilizes Deputies in other divisions to be guest Instructors for various topics. The Training Academy is located at 6347 Young Rd. Grove City, Ohio. The Academy grounds consist of a Shooting Range, Main Building, and Search House.

Activity Hours	2020 Totals
Classroom Instruction	1393
Lesson Planning	758
Class Prep	642
Skills Development	795
Range Instruction	2372
Weapon Maintenance	256
Range Maintenance	290



Division: Support Services

Fugitive Squad

The Warrants and Extraditions Unit of the Franklin County Sheriff's Office is responsible for arresting suspects wanted on outstanding felony and misdemeanor warrants. The warrants are issued through the Franklin County Common Pleas Court, the Municipal Clerk of Courts and the Victim Witness Assistance Unit. Additionally, the Warrants and Extraditions Unit handles warrant requests from law enforcement agencies nationwide.

The deputies assigned to this unit extradite prisoners from all over the United States and safely return them to Franklin County to ensure justice is served to those who commit crimes in Franklin County. The deputies are also responsible for assisting in Extradition Court Hearings for those who have been arrested locally and have outstanding fugitive warrants.

The Warrants and Extraditions Unit is dedicated to collaborating with the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and several other agencies - both government and non-profit organizations - to promote a seamless and cohesive response to victims of violent crimes, as well as provide services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

The Warrants and Extraditions Unit also works closely with the Franklin County Probate Court and NetCare Access. The deputies serve probate warrants; locating the probated person and transporting the probated person to NetCare Access or a local hospital for mental health and medical evaluations. They also transport the probated person from hospitals and mental health facilities to Twin Valley Behavior Healthcare Hospital (TVBH) for Probate Court hearings and safely return them to the facility in which they are being housed.

Personnel assigned to the Warrants and Extradition Unit currently consist of one Lieutenant, one Sergeant, seven full-time deputies, and one full-time secretary. Additionally, two full-time deputies and one part-time secretary handle the Child Support Enforcement Unit.

Activity	2020 Totals
Total Arrest	344
In-State Pick Ups	281
Probate Hearings	225
Probate Orders Served	176
Extraditions Hearings	82
Out of State Extraditions	102

Division: Support Services

Child Support Enforcement Unit

The Child Support Enforcement Unit of the Sheriff's Office is responsible for arresting suspects wanted on outstanding Nonsupport warrants issued in Franklin County from the Common Pleas Court, Juvenile Court and Domestic Relations Court, as well as Nonsupport warrant requests from law enforcement agencies nationwide. The deputies assigned to this unit are also responsible for picking up out of County and out of State prisoners and returning them safely to Franklin County.

Personnel assigned to the Child Support Unit work closely with Franklin County Child Support Enforcement Agency (CSEA), the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office, and the Sheriff's Office Fugitive Squad.



Division: Support Services

SWAT

The Franklin County Sheriff's SWAT Unit operates under the authority of the Franklin County Sheriff and is under the direction of the Chief Deputy of the Support Services Division. The Sheriff has made this unit available to all jurisdictions within Franklin County and the State of Ohio under Homeland Security, in times of need. The SWAT unit is comprised of the following members: 1 lieutenant, 4 sergeants, 16 deputies, 1 medical team member and a part-time secretary. The Sheriff's Emergency Response Team is attached to SWAT and consists of 8 deputies whose responsibilities include driving and maintaining all vehicles.

The SWAT Unit averages over one hundred call outs per year. These situations have included: Hostage rescue, Barricaded individuals with deadly weapons, Drug raids, High Risk Arrest Warrants, Warrant sweeps, serving Probate Orders and protection of dignitaries.

The SWAT Unit conducts twenty hours of in-service training each month preparing unit members to operate as a team in various scenarios that they have encountered or potentially may encounter. These training days are also used to maintain their mandated high skill level in their use of specialized weapons and equipment.

Activity	2020 Totals
Callouts/Barricades	10
Search Warrant Executed	48
Total Arrest	100
Probate Order Served	187



Division: Support Services

Dive Team

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Dive Rescue Team was formed in September of 1993 under the leadership of Sheriff Jim Karnes.

Objective

To provide the Sheriff with an organized and experienced group of Deputies trained as Public Safety Divers.

Mission

To respond with trained personnel and specialized equipment to the scene of a water related incident for the purpose of saving human life, provide underwater recovery of drowning victims or accident victims in the water, and to provide assistance to the Detective Bureau in the recovery of property to be processed as evidence in a criminal investigation. In addition the Team is available to assist outside agencies upon request.

Training

All members are Deputy Sheriffs who are certified scuba divers and have received additional hours of underwater search and recovery training and other specialized training. Members train twice a month in various bodies of water in and out of Franklin County. Divers become accustomed to diving in "minimal to zero visibility" water with underwater hazards and unusual bottom terrain. Safety is constantly stressed and practiced.

Equipment

The Dive Rescue Team is a federally typed Type I Public Safety Dive Team and is equipped with an expansive assortment of equipment. This equipment includes a Freightliner M2 equipment truck, a Dodge 2500 pick-up truck, a Rescue One Connector Boat, a Zodiac Grand Raid Mark III, a flat bottom john boat, and an equipment trailer. Other equipment includes Kirby Morgan KM37 dive helmets, a portable breathing air compressor, generators, heaters, side scan sonar, an underwater Remote Operated Vehicle (ROV), and underwater metal detectors. Each diver is individually issued a complete set of SCUBA gear including protective suits, fins, full face mask and air tanks.

Activity	2020 Totals
Public Relations Events	1
Call Outs	9
Animal Rescue	0
Body Recoveries	2
Vehicle Recoveries	4
Weapon Recoveries	1
Other Agency Request	8



Division: Support Services

Negotiators

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Hostage Negotiation Team operates under the authority of the Franklin County Sheriff and is under the direction of the Chief Deputy of Support Services. The Hostage Negotiation Team is available to all law enforcement agencies within Franklin County and has also responded to the adjacent counties as well. The Hostage Negotiation Team responds to various crisis and critical situations and works together with SWAT. The Hostage Negotiation Team is actually comprised of two separate teams with each team consisting of 6 negotiators and a team leader.

Hostage Negotiation has been described as being one of law enforcement's most effective tools. Each team member has a specific role and each role is interdependent upon another. Each negotiator must be compassionate, maintain superb interpersonal skills, be able to function in a cohesive group, and deal well with stressful situations.

Bomb Squad

The bomb squad mission is to respond to all explosive or incendiary incidents including exploded bombs, unexploded bombs, suspicious packages or recovered explosives found within the jurisdiction of the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. The squad also provides bomb squad support to a variety of State and Federal agencies, including Dignitary Protection details. In addition to the operational activities, the squad provides training to various law enforcement agencies within the Central Ohio area on the topics of bomb scene safety and bomb searching and explosive identification. The bomb squad also conducts public talks to civic groups and private industry on the same topics. The bomb squad is a fully equipped and Nationally Certified bomb squad. Equipment includes protective suits, X-ray equipment, package disrupters, and a remote control robot.

The Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad is comprised of 1 Sergeant, and 5 Deputies of which all are Certified Bomb Technicians. In addition, there are 3 Deputies who are Canine Handlers accompanied with Certified "Bomb Sniffing" Canines.

Activity	2020 Totals
SWAT Assist	33
Bomb Runs	25
Public Relations Events	14



Division: Support Services

Chaplain Unit

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Chaplain Unit serves as a pastoral and spiritual resource to the Sheriff and to the various Divisions and Units within the Office. The Unit is non-denominational in nature is not meant to proselytize for a particular religious tradition, denomination or congregation. The Unit is available upon request to assist members of the Office in the performance of their duties and in any other ways in which may be requested. The Unit's assistance is also available to families of those associated with the Office.

Unmanned Aircraft Systems

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office UAS (Unmanned Aircraft Systems) Unit supports the FCSO and other public safety partners by providing a safe and efficient aerial observation perspective. Each member of our team holds a 'Remote Pilot' certification through the Federal Aviation Administration and participates in ongoing training each month. Flying safely while respecting the law and privacy of the citizens we serve is a top priority for the UAS Unit during each mission.

Activity	2020 Totals
Other Division Assists	37
Lost Individuals Located	10
Apprehensions Made	2
Public Relations Events	4
Presentations Given	4
Other LE Agency Assist	43
Missions Flown	91
Training Days	76

