# FRANKLIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

"Serving Our Community"



2019 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.

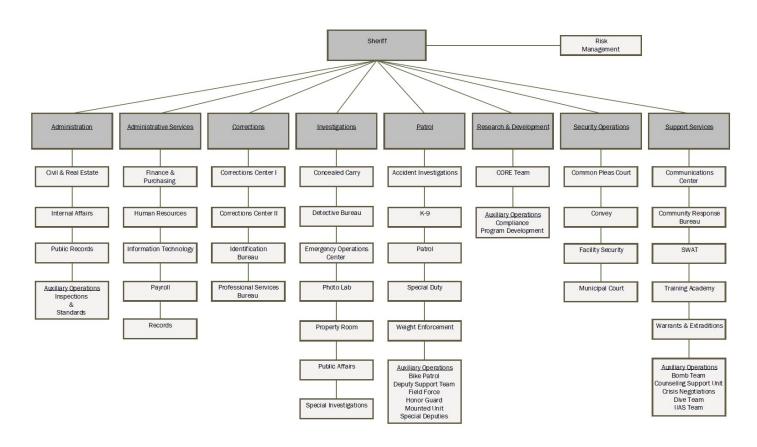
Sheriff Baldwin and his wife Barb have been married for over 40 years, after meeting in high school. They have a son who is currently serving in the Columbus Division of Police.



#### **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**



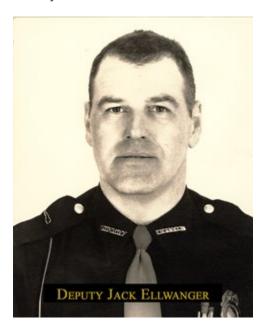


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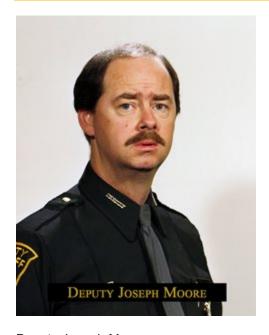
For more information about fallen officers from the state of Ohio visit <a href="https://www.odmp.org/">https://www.odmp.org/</a>



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.

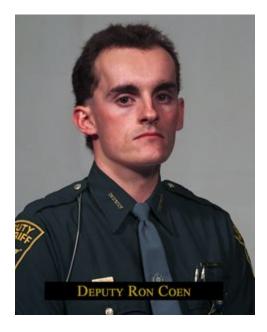


Deputy Joseph Moore 04/11/1983

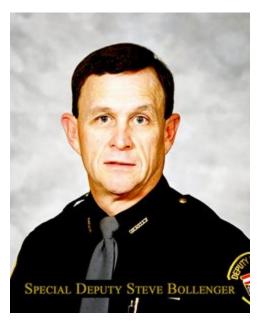
Died of gunshot wounds received April 11, 1983 from a domestic violence attack on himself and Lt. Moore enroute to work



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.



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.



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.

# **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

# **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	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
Civil Subpoenas	376	363	3.6%
Criminal Subpoenas	38495	61275	-37.2%
Domestic Subpoenas	161	189	-14.8%
Juvenile Subpoenas	9249	10359	-10.7%
Grand Jury Subpoenas	176	195	-9.7%
Probate Subpoenas	2	0	0%
Civil Execution Desk			
Habere Facias	244	390	-37.4%
Writ of Execution	333	247	34.8%
Order of Possession	39	44	-11.4%
Alias	0	0	0%
Stalking Orders	1028	1260	-18.4%
Final Stalking Orders	265	219	21.0%
Civil Protection Orders	3810	3564	6.9%
Final Civil Protection Orders	625	503	24.3%
Juvenile Protection Orders	159	157	1.3%
Final Juvenile Protection Orders	28	0	0%
Domestic/Juvenile Desk			
Domestic Papers	2466	2354	4.8%
Juvenile Papers	8734	8463	3.2%
Total	11200	10817	3.5%
Foreign Desk			
Outside of Ohio	2347	2009	16.8%
Ohio-Outside of Franklin County	10293	12017	-14.3%
Total	12640	14026	-9.9%
Foreign Protection Orders	480	111	332.4%

#### **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	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
Order of Sales	2047	2,397	-14.6%
Properties Sold	728	1039	-29.9%
No Bid / No Sale	230	215	7.0%
Properties Withdrawn	427	526	-18.8%
Sheriff's Fees To General Fund	\$1,083,499.76	\$1,218,901.26	-11.1%

#### **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	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
Total Reports	593	605	-2.0%
Use of Force Reviews	509	523	-2.7%
Justified Reports	507	513	-1.2%
Unfounded Investigations	3	3	0.0%
Withdrawn Complaints	1	0	0%
Investigations closed as Other	2	0	0%
Reports filed for information	70	60	16.7%
Employees that resigned	0	4	-100.0%

#### **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.



# **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

#### **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	2019	2018	Change from
	Totals	Totals	2018
New Hires	79	88	-10.2%
Resignations	47	51	-7.8%
Laid Off	0	0	0%
Retirements	9	12	-25.0%
Disability Retirements	1	0	0%
Involuntary Disability Removal	0	3	-100.0%
Removals	7	10	-30.0%
Deaths	1	1	0.0%
Promotions, Demotions, Changes	110	188	-41.5%

# 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.

#### 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.

# **Expense Budget**

Program	2017 Actual	2018 Approved Budget	2019 Approved Budget	Change 2019 Approved vs. 2018 Approved
Administrative Support	\$4,138,723	\$8,076,733	\$8,978,341	11.2%
Training Academy	\$2,657,552	\$2,919,303	\$3,258,733	11.6%
Civil Enforcement	\$2,941,355	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Investigation	\$15,966,692	\$14,117,389	\$13,823,112	-2.1%
Support/Records	\$3,242,018	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Custody/Jail Operations	\$57,280,508	\$59,507,458	\$55,713,294	-6.4%
Community Response and	\$2,035,989	\$7,118,291	\$9,488,500	33.3%
Safety Education Call For Service	\$3,019,138	\$3,054,224	\$3,273,426	7.2%
Patrol	\$20,772,690	\$20,765,550	\$19,103,903	-8.0%
Information Technology	\$2,415,953	\$2,651,384	\$2,950,753	11.3%
Jail Medical Care	\$11,256,024	\$14,578,863	\$14,845,361	1.8%
Court Services	\$17,041,141	\$17,054,617	\$20,774,845	21.8%
Total	\$142,767,782	\$149,843,812	\$152,210,268	1.6%

# **Budgeted Revenue**

Fund	2017 Actual	2018 Approved Budget	2019 Approved Budget	Change 2019 Approved vs. 2018 Approved
General Fund	\$12,176,205	\$11,205,506	\$11,132,832	-0.6%
Rotary Fund	\$4,854,418	\$4,739,500	\$4,519,500	-4.6%
Selective Enforcement Fund	\$89,719	\$98,167	\$98,167	0.0%
Child Support Enforcement Fund	\$276,963	\$337,422	\$339,021	0.5%
Enforcement and Education Fund	\$5,564	\$6,000	\$6,000	0.0%
Commissary Fund	\$1,129,518	\$1,602,900	\$1,602,900	0.0%
JAG Sheriff Fund	\$109,882	\$147,225	\$165,725	12.6%
Concealed Handgun License Fund	\$604,812	\$685,000	\$754,000	10.1%
Training Fund	\$119,460	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Franklin County Drug Task Force Fund	\$227,359	\$516,341	\$300,000	-41.9%
Community Outreach Fund	\$22,469	\$7,500	\$7,500	0.0%
DUI Enforcement Program Fund	\$184,648	\$219,500	\$219,500	0.0%
Violence Against Women Grant Fund	\$183,733	\$147,860	\$150,765	2.0%
Jail Management System Fund	\$729,290	\$0	\$0	0.0%
Total	\$20,714,039	\$19,712,921	\$19,295,910	-2.1%

# **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

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 Average Daily Population	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
January	491	520	-5.6%
February	494	520	-5.0%
March	488	516	-5.4%
April	490	513	-4.5%
May	488	526	-7.2%
June	495	537	-7.8%
July	487	517	-5.8%
August	489	455	7.5%
September	476	446	6.7%
October	503	487	3.3%
November	481	480	0.2%
December	480	488	-1.6%

**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 Average Daily Population	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
January	1426	1460	-2.3%
February	1415	1522	-7.0%
March	1447	1489	-2.8%
April	1487	1483	0.3%
May	1456	1495	-2.6%
June	1425	1479	-3.7%
July	1430	1485	-3.7%
August	1420	1585	-10.4%
September	1468	1611	-8.9%
October	1402	1480	-5.3%
November	1382	1370	0.9%
December	1375	1367	0.6%

#### 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	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
January	2638	2654	-0.6%
February	2572	2449	5.0%
March	2794	2936	-4.8%
April	2724	2809	-3.0%
May	2762	2958	-6.6%
June	2567	2949	-13.0%
July	2710	2981	-9.1%
August	2841	3084	-7.9%
September	2640	2627	0.5%
October	2592	2754	-5.9%
November	2270	2409	-5.8%
December	2381	2492	-4.5%

#### **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
  - o 6 Storekeepers
  - 2 Supervisors
- Social Services
  - 6 Social Workers
  - 1 Supervisor
- Chapel
  - 1 Chaplain
- Kitchen
  - o 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

#### **MISSION**

PSB will provide the inmates incarcerated within Franklin County Corrections with quality, fair, and consistent profession services in accordance with National Commission on Correctional Health Care 9NCCHC), Minimum Standards for Full Service Facilities in Ohio, and Ohio Revised Code (ORC) while preparing them to be productive members of the community upon their release.

#### **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.





# Chief Deputy Rick Minerd Jr

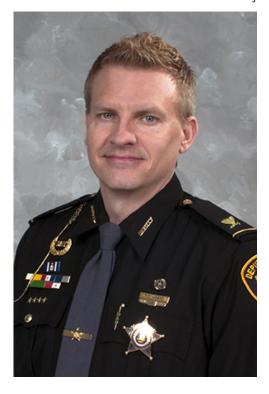
Chief Deputy Rick Minerd Jr. began his career with the Sheriff's Office in May, 1991. He has gone on to serve in the Corrections Division, Communications Center, Patrol Bureau, Detective Bureau, and Special Investigations Unit. In addition, he served as a member of the FCSO Dive Team and Honor Guard.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

#### **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	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
Reports Received	8284	9129	-9.3%
Detective Bureau Investigations	8284	9129	-9.3%
Cleared by Arrest	1846	2158	-14.5%
Cleared Closed	4084	4295	-4.9%
Cleared Unfounded	68	107	-36.4%
Major Crime Totals Homicides Sexual Offenses	6 196	7 115	-14.3% 70.4%
Robberies	73	94	-22.3%
Assaults	735	815	-9.8%
Burglaries/B&E	322	407	-20.9%
Thefts	1554	1903	-18.3%
Arrests			
Detective Bureau Juvenile Bureau Total	1735 111 1846	2044 114 2158	-15.1% -2.6% -14.5%

# **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	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
Digital Images Handled	657,962	543,960	21.0%
Concealed Carry Applications	9,412	11,017	-14.6%
Money Received For Services	\$572,626.00	\$738,807.00	-22.5%
Web Checks	7,839	9,066	-13.5%

# **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	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
Gun Other Items	250 15946 16196	346 14062 14408	-27.7% 13.4% 12.4%
Releases			
Gun	92	97	-5.2%
Other	357	505	-29.3%
Items	449	599	-25.0%
Lab Runs			
Sent	1132	1051	7.7%
Returned	1121	1398	-19.8%
Items	2253	2449	-8.0%
Notices Sent	272	292	-6.8%

# SORN (Sex Offender Registration Notification)

Activity	2019 Totals
Sex Offenders	1769
Arson Offenders	124
Violent Offenders	57
Out of County Offenders	160
Total Offenders	2110
Offenders reported to the Office	6825
Offenders verified at registered residence	906
Grand Jury Summaries filed	116
Warrants Filed	148

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)

#### 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



# **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.



# **Special Investigations Unit**

Arrests	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
Narcotics	254	164	54.9%
Gambling	0	0	0%
Prostitution	33	23	43.5%
Other Arrests	161	104	54.8%
Dogfighting	0	0	0%
ICAC	59	46	28.3%
Total Arrests	357	337	5.9%
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Search Warrants Executed			
Narcotics	140	161	-13.0%
Gambling	0	0	0%
Prostitution	0	0	0%
Other	0	0	0%
Dogfighting	0	0	0%
ICAC	199	130	53.1%
Falsification	0	0	0%
Total Search Warrants	339	291	16.5%
Complaints Received			
Narcotics	296	398	-25.6%
Gambling	0	0	0%
Prostitution	6	1	500.0%
Liquor	0	0	0%
Other	0	0	0%
ICAC	138	90	53.3%
Dog/Cockfighting	0	0	0%
Total	433	489	-11.5%
Purchased/Seized Narcotics			
Total Street Value	\$12,573,222	\$2,733,964.50	359.9%

## **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.



# **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

# **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, (18) Sergeants, (95) Deputies, and (3) Civilians. Total Personnel at full staffing: 121.

Activity	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
Dispatched Runs	241,559	252,708	-4.41%
Pick Up Runs	57,887	67,531	-14.28%
Domestic Runs	545	597	-8.71%
Domestic Assists	1,251	1,328	-5.8%
Reports Taken	3,867	4,558	-15.16%
F.I. Cards	75	72	4.17%
Record Checks	16,497	22,221	-25.76%
House Checks	4,700	5,199	-9.6%
Business Checks	25,659	29,544	-13.15%
Citizen Assists	7,363	6,553	12.36%
Stolen Vehicles Recovered	354	298	18.8%
Vehicles Impounded	2,845	3,312	-14.1%
Traffic Warnings	8,018	10,364	-22.63%
Non-Crash Citations	8,642	11,778	-26.63%
OMVI Arrests	427	474	<b>-</b> 9.91%
Felony Arrests	493	549	-10.2%
Misdemeanor Arrests	2,290	2,779	-17.6%
Warrant Arrest – Felony	557	668	-16.62%
Warrant Arrest – Misdemeanor	1,909	1,605	18.94%
Prisoners Conveyed	2,054	2,515	-18.33%
Trustees Conveyed	372	373	-0.3%
Twp. / Village Meetings	44	98	-55.1%
Total Miles Driven	1,363,769	1,471,406	-7.32%
Total Crashes Investigated	2,473	2,617	-5.5%
Crash Citations	1,934	2,066	-6.39%
Total On-Duty Hours	150,107.70	156,087.35	-3.83%
Special Assignment Hours	9,162.65	8,342.75	9.83%
In-Service Training Hours	5,021.50	7,340.50	-31.6%
Overtime Worked	11,130.70	12,040.90	-7.56%
Comp Time (Earned)	5,668.52	5,742.50	-1.29%
Court Time (Earned)	1,536.75	1,607.83	-4.42%
Sick Time (Used)	6,141.25	5,425.25	13.20%
Approved Time Off (PI, Cu, Va)	31,923.00	32,053.05	-0.41%

# **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	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
Dispatched Runs	1621	2,182	-25.71%
Pick Up Runs	4459	5,820	-23.38%
Total Miles Driven	156,147	178,354	-12.46%
Canine Related Runs	933	1,461	-36.14%
Canine Demonstrations	22	35	-37.14%
Request for Canine Assistance	455	703	-35.28%
Building Searches	20	32	-37.5%
Track Runs	25	51	-50.99%
Evidence Searches	11	18	-38.89%
Area Searches	13	36	-63.89%
Explosive Detection	98	103	-4.85%
Narcotics Detection	193	336	-42.56%
Canine Related Arrests	16	35	-54.29%
Canine Assisted Arrests	92	120	-23.33%
Canine Use of Force	4	3	33.33%
Suspects Arrested	153	117	30.77%
Canine Illness / Injury Hours	45.5	15	203.33%
Total Hours Worked	11,632	12,785.1	-9.02%
Overtime Worked	961	1,589.6	-39.54%
In-Service Training	1,093	858.5	27.32%
Outside Agency Requests	349	609	-42.69%

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.

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.

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.

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.

### **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 **2018 Personnel**: 56

2019 Total Hours Donated: 8,507.75 2018 Total Hours Donated: 9,696.50

**Percent Change in Personnel:** -12.5% Percent Change in Hours Donated: -12.25%

### 2019 Activities

Assistance to the personnel in all areas of the Sheriff's Office
Dignitary Visits
Franklin County Board of Elections Details
Prairie Township Fire Department Fish Fry
Franklin County Fair

D.U.I. Checkpoints

St. Stephens Community Center Christmas Care Program

Halloween Patrol Various Parades

Community Service Center

O.P.O.T.A's Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony

Toy Ride for Children's Hospital

Warrant Sweeps

MACC Music Festival at Hoover Y Park Various ceremonial events by the Honor Guard/Bagpipes

Hamilton Twp Spaghetti Dinner Military Send Off/Returns Westland Area Business Association SWAT Team Details Mounted Unit Details

### **Bagpipers**

The bagpipers perform at various ceremonial events throughout the year such as funerals, memorial services and parades.

### **Honor Guard**

Honor Guard members are utilized at funeral services and various ceremonial events.

### **Mounted Unit**

Members assist the FCSO Mounted Unit with various functions.

### **SWAT**

Members assist the FCSO Swat team with various swat functions.

## **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	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
Fatal Traffic Crashes Investigated	31	23	34.78%
Alcohol Involved	18	10	80%
Traffic Fatalities	31	24	29.17%
Drivers Killed	14	11	27.27%
Passengers Killed	2	2	0%
Pedestrians Killed	6	4	50%
Motorcycle Drivers Killed	6	7	-14.29%
Bicyclists Killed	3	0	300%
Serious Injury Crashes Investigated	3	5	-40%
Hit Skips Investigated	168	126	33.33%
Sheriff's Office Crashes			
Total Crashes	63	42	50%
Marked Vehicles	44	29	51.72%
Unmarked Vehicles	19	13	46.15%
Deputies Injured	10	10	0%
Deputies at Fault	30	22	65%
Cost of Repairs	197,178	156,493	26%
Abandoned / Junk Vehicles			
Complaints on Abandoned Vehicles Abandoned / Junk Vehicles Impounded	33 0	6 0	450% 0%
Abandoned / Junk Vehicles Titles Notarized Affidavit Sent of Search	853 2029	744 2,228	14.65% -8.93%

Traffic Activity	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
Crash Reports Taken Crash Citations Issued Non-Crash Citations OMVI Arrests School Bus Complaints School Bus Violation Citations Parking / Traffic Warnings Citizen Assists	45 18 599 0 50 0 486 52	39 32 675 0 38 0 506 32	15.38% -43.75% -11.26% 0% 31.58% 0% -3.95% 62.5%
Felony Cases			
Vehicular Homicide Felony DUI Felony Hit-Skips Felony Fleeing Other Felony Traffic Sobriety Checkpoints	5 7 4 6 0	0 10 1 7 0	500% -30% 300% -14.29% 0%
Checkpoints Vehicles in Zone Vehicles Checked Vehicles Diverted DUI Arrests Traffic Citations No Operator's License Arrests Misdemeanor Arrests Felony Arrests	16 11,079 5,089 357 12 217 122 23 4	14 11,506 4,692 301 20 170 96 18 5	14.29% -3.71% 8.46% 18.6% -40% 27.65% 27.08% 27.78% -20%
Administrative and General			
Misdemeanor Arrests Felony Arrests	10 7	11 13	-9.1% -46.15%
Offense Reports Taken Crash Reports Taken in Office In-Service Training Interviews Conducted Office Detail Hours Crash Reports Checked Sick Time Overtime Miles Driven	7 83 498 77 3,628 1,941 0 692 116,373	9 71 458 82 3,218 2,293 0 1,067 109,136	-22.22% 16.9% 8.73% -6.1% 12.74% -15.35% 0% -39.83% 6.63%

# **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	2019	2018	Change
	Totals	Totals	from 2018
Overload Cites Other Truck Violations Overload Warnings Other Truck Warnings	387	369	4.88%
	116	88	31.82%
	33	43	-23.26%
	259	235	10.21%
Weight Enforcement Fines Issued			
January February March April May June July August September October November December Totals: Weight Enforcement Fines Collected	23,720	29,081	-18.43%
	21,489	17,140	25.37%
	23,082	20,441	12.92%
	26,470	25,054	5.65%
	32,021	32,404	-1.18%
	21,959	36,385	-39.65%
	25,498	23,861	6.86%
	32,910	34,453	-4.48%
	31,408	34,545	-9.08%
	29,399	28,610	2.76%
	23,858	22,170	7.61%
	27,254	24,374	11.82%
	319,068	328,518	-2.88%
January February March April May June July August September October November December Totals:	10,742 8,007 11,529 14,266 12,439 9,652 13,769 8,510 16,688 13,762 11,643 9,623 140,634	11,923 10,930 6,923 13,264 14,071 9,360 13,564 9,708 13,564 14,687 5,390 8,779 131,862	-9.91% -26.74% 66.53% 7.55% -11.6% 3.12% 3.72% -15.43% 22.88% -6.30% 116.01% 9.61% 6.65%

# **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

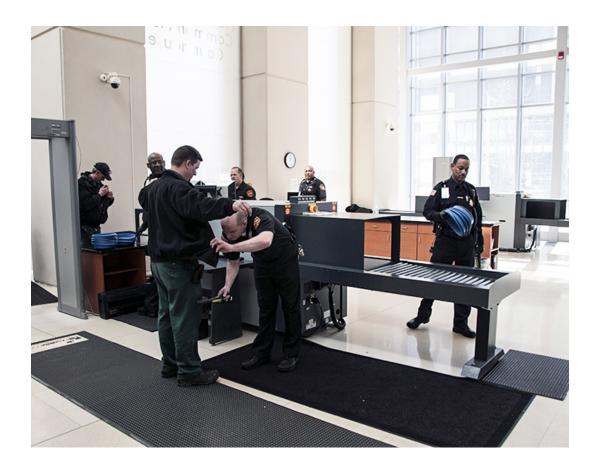
A Sergeant is also assigned as a liaison officer and works in conjunction with Columbus City Prosecutor and Franklin County Municipal Court Clerk's Office personnel covering an array of functions necessary for effective prosecution of matters with which the Municipal court has authority. The Sheriff's 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**

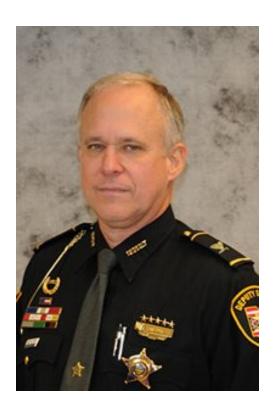
The Facility Security Unit is responsible for maintaining a safe and secure environment for visitors and county employees in the eight structures comprising the government center in downtown Columbus, Ohio and several county agencies at various outlying locations.

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.



## **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** 

### **Communications**

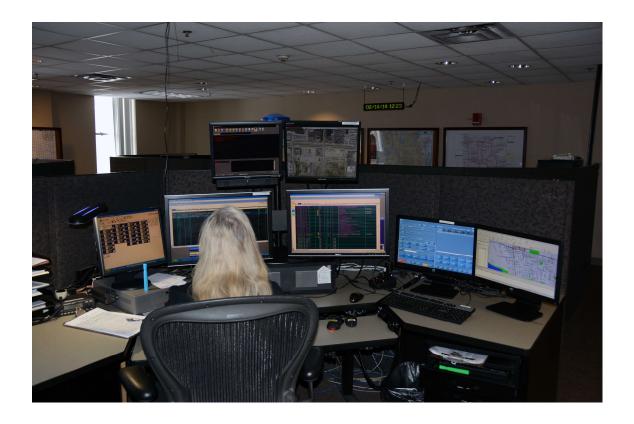
The Franklin County Sheriff's Office Communications Center, also known as "Franklin County 911", operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week and is responsible for answering emergency and non-emergency calls for the citizens of Franklin County, Ohio. The Communications Center dispatches Deputy Sheriffs 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	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change from 2018
Runs Dispatched	262,698	252,708	4.0%
911 Calls Received	133,119	129,568	2.7%
Dispatched Runs By Duty Shift			
1 <sup>st</sup> Shift (7:00am – 3:00pm)	97,195	87,402	11.2%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Shift (3:00pm-11:00pm)	116,334	115,895	0.4%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Shift (11:00pm – 7:00am)	49,179	49,411	-0.5%
Zone 1			
Northwest Franklin County	406	412	1 50/
10 11	406 125	112	-1.5% 11.6%
12	289	300	-3.7%
13	1168	1148	1.7%
Calls in Columbus	16	12	33.3%
Other Jurisdictions	637	616	3.4%
Zone 2			
Northeast Franklin County			
20	12,841	12,206	5.2%
21	362	408	-11.3%
22	19,528	19,568	-0.2%
23	1,816	1,897	-4.3%
Calls in Columbus	194	200	-3.0%
Other Jurisdictions	5,060	5,105	-0.9%

Zone 3 Southwest Franklin County	2019 Totals	2018 Totals	Change From 2018
30	2,360	1,776	32.9%
31	4,194	4,561	-8.0%
32	14,501	14,067	3.1%
33	13,419	12,996	3.3%
Calls in Columbus	241	235	2.6%
Other Jurisdictions	6,564	6,618	-0.8%
Zone 4			
Southeast Franklin County			
40	13,082	12,462	5.0%
41	1,512	1,371	10.3%
42	20,882	18,828	10.9%
43	47	52	-9.6%
Calls in Columbus	500	434	15.2%
Other Jurisdictions	7,217	7,010	3.0%

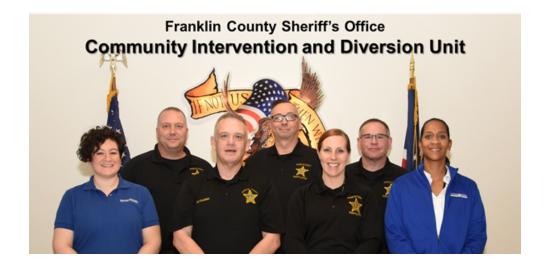


### **Community Intervention and Diversion (CID)**

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	2019 Totals
Clinician Assessments	510
Request for Assistance (Inter)	438
Request for Assistance (Intra)	266
Probate Hearings	111
Probate Orders Served	112
Mental Health Follow-Ups	138
Emergency Applications for Admission	231
Voluntary Admissions/ Diversions	115



## **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	2019 Totals
Schools Visited	1,167
Therapy K9 Deployments	613
Meetings	156
Therapy Meetings	78
Arrest	61
Events	91
R.A.D Classes	44
CRASE I Presentations	77
CRASE II Presentations	31
Citizen's Academy Alumni Association Meetings	20
Traffic Stops	39
Gang Presentations	2
Citizen's Academy Class	25
Operation Street Smart 7th Grade Graduates	3459
Operation Street Smart 5th Grade Graduates	2934
CRASE I Participants	2383
R.A.D. Participants	691
CRASE II Participants	804
Citizen's Academy Participants	435

## **Community Outreach and Engagement**

The Community Outreach and Engagement Unit, comprised of 4 civilians focuses on building and maintaining relationships with diverse communities in Franklin County. Through outreach and engagement initiatives the unit insures joint problem solving, innovation, enhanced understanding, and accountability between communities and the FCSO.

Our mission is to build and enhance relationships between residents and the FCSO through educational forums, events, meetings, community functions, recruitment and electronic media.

Realizing that Franklin County has the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest Somali population in the Country and a growing Hispanic population the unit has a Hispanic and a Somali outreach coordinator. The coordinators are dedicated to each community linking resources while bring awareness of FCSO programs and initiatives.



## **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.

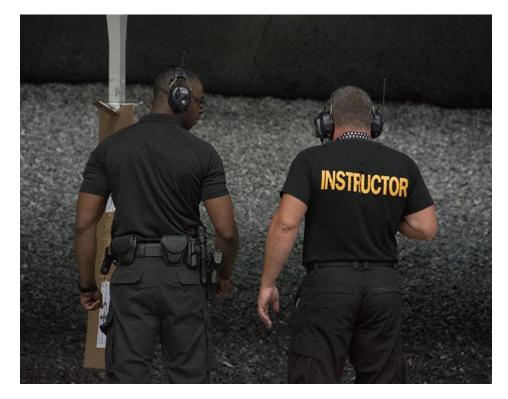
The Community Liaison Unit's goal is to act as a partner with the community to help solve quality of life issues. Liaison Deputies attend township and block watch meetings to listen to and address community members' concerns. Liaison Deputies work traffic in school zones, address drug complaints, work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

Activity	2019 Totals
Other Meetings	234
Township Meetings	160
Narcotics Complaints	166
Miscellaneous Complaints	193
Traffic Citations/ Warning Issued	300
Web Tips Checked	100
Arrest	79
Administrations Meetings	102
Traffic Complaints	196
Theft Complaints	39
Blockwatch Meetings	20
Zoning Meetings	7
Village Meetings	11

# **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.

<b>Activity Hours</b>	2019 Totals
Classroom Instruction	3910
Lesson Planning	1726
Class Prep	1274.25
Skills Development	1149
Range Instruction	2380.25
Weapon Maintenance	437
Range Maintenance	311.5



## **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	2019 Totals
Total Arrest	520
In-State Pick Ups	361
Probate Hearings	194
Probate Orders Served	174
Extraditions Hearings	128
Out of State Extraditions	117

## **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.



### **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	2019 Totals
Callouts/Barricades	19
Search Warrant Executed	70
Total Arrest	105
Probate Order Served	291



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### **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	2019 Totals
Public Relations Events	11
Call Outs	10
Animal Rescue	1
Body Recoveries	0
Vehicle Recoveries	0
Weapon Recoveries	1
Other Agency Request	9



## **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	2019
	Totals
SWAT Assist	56
Bomb Runs	27
Public Relations Events	30



## **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	2019 Totals
Other Division Assists	13
Lost Individuals Located	7
Apprehensions Made	0
Public Relations Events	51
Presentations Given	21
Other LE Agency Assist	56
Missions Flown	81
Training Days	66

