HARDWICK POLICE DEPARTMENT



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The Hardwick Police Department continues to maintain a Full Time certified staff of (6) Officers and the Chief of Police. In addition we also have a staff of (3) Part-Time Officers, also Full Time certified. We are proud to be able to offer nearly (100) years of combined Law Enforcement experience to our communities.

This year we have identified the need for an additional Patrol Officer and have applied for a Federal COPS grant in an effort to maintain professional police services while keeping the costs associated with law enforcement low. The COPS grant, if approved, will help defray the salary costs of an additional officer for three years. When researching the need for additional personnel, we found over the past three years both the communities of Hardwick and Greensboro had experienced an increase in calls for police services. Greensboro for example recorded a 36.57% increase in calls for police services from 2014 to 2016. We also found the last addition to the Hardwick Police Department force was over 16 years ago.

The increase in calls for service has left the department being more reactive to crime than proactive due to lack of personnel and increase of paperwork due to increase in call volume. Our vision is to restructure by hiring an additional road officer, promoting someone to a Detective position and an additional promotion to a shift Supervisor. We believe this restructure will again allow the agency to become more proactive in their patrol activity.

We observed an increase in criminal offences from 2014 to 2016, a 62.96% increase in Greensboro. The cases seen in 2016, that had not been observed in the past few years in Greensboro, consisted of, Aiding in the Commission of a Felony, Grand Larceny, Assault and Robbery, Impersonation of a Police Officer, as well as a large increase in violations of court imposed conditions of release. Burglaries were unchanged from 2014 to 2016; however we

observed a slight decrease in Petit larceny from a Building and a slight decrease in Domestic Assault. Criminal arrests equaled a 38.46% increase in 2016 vs. 2014 in Greensboro.

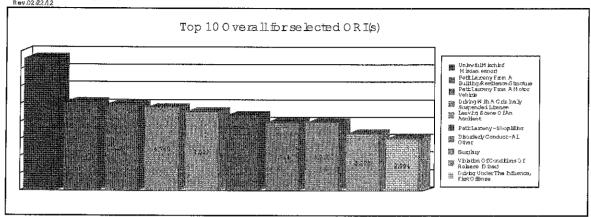
Another change at the Hardwick Police Department was the retirement of our first K-9. Atos took full retirement in February of 2017. Our current K-9, Kubo has been fully certified for drug detection work and in fact his first drug arrest was only a month after graduation, when he located 65 bags of heroin and a loaded firearm in a vehicle. Kubo has continued to be very active in drug detection and made multiple smaller arrests. Our new K-9 has proved to be a very vital part of our war against drugs in our communities.

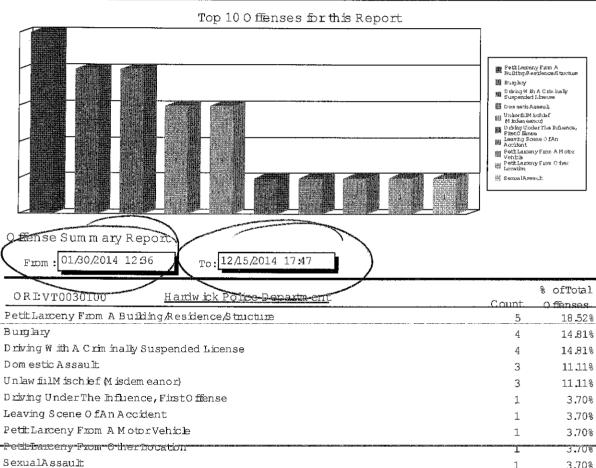
I would like to thank everyone for their continued support and wish everyone health and prosperity for the rest of their summer.

Sincerely,

Aaron Cochran

Chief Aaron Cochran





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SimpleAssault

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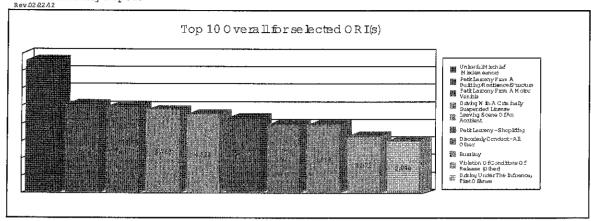
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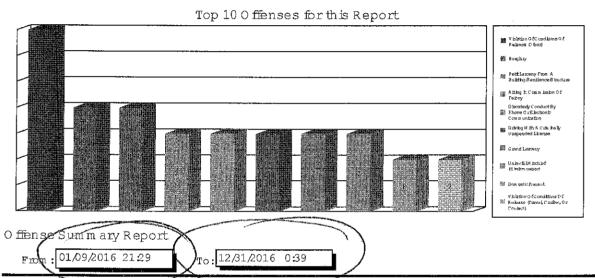
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Violation OfConditions OfRelease (Other)			7	15.91%
Burglary			4	9.09%
PetitLarceny From A Building Residence Structure			4	9.09%
Aiding In Commission Offelony			3	6.82%
Disorderly Conduct By Phone Or Electronic Communication			3	6.82%
Driving With A Criminally Suspended License			3	6.82%
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Unlaw fulM ischief (M isdem eanor)			3	6.82%
Dom-estic-A-ssau-lt		<u> </u>	2	4.55%
Violation OfConditions OfRelease (Travel, Curfew, OrContact)			2	4.55%
Assault And Robbery			1	2.27%
Drugs -Marijuana, Possession OrCultivation 2+ Ounces Or>3 Plants			1	2.27%
Drugs - Possession OfDrug Paraphemalia			1	2.27%
Im personation OfAn Officer			1	2.27%
Operation Without Conse	nt		1	2. 2 7%
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Offense Summary Report

From: 01,09/2016 2129 To: 12/31/2016 0:39		
PetitLarceny From A MotorVehicle	1	2.27%
PetitLarceny From OtherLocation	1	2.27%
Unlaw fulM ischief (Felony)	1	2.27%
Uttering A Forged Instrument	1	2.27%
Violation Of An Abuse Prevention Order		2.27%
TotalO ffenses	: 44	