



2017 ANNUAL REPORT

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EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE

MISSION STATEMENT

The City of Brookville Police Department is in partnership with its citizens, businesses, schools, churches, and service organizations. We provide impartial, ethical, and professional law enforcement service to our community. We strive to maintain the trust and confidence of our citizens while working to improve the quality of life in our community.

VISION STATEMENT

The City of Brookville is recognized as a “Proud and Progressive Community.” As members of the police department, our vision and commitment to the community and its visitors will be to:

1. Protect life and property.
2. Prevent and repress crime.
3. Detect criminal activity and apprehend offenders.
4. Facilitate the safe movement of people and vehicles within our community.
5. Assist those in danger or in need of assistance.
6. Protect individual constitutional rights.
7. Improve public confidence.
8. Promote personal and professional growth of our employees.
9. Enhance customer service.
10. Maximize efficiency.

We are committed to this vision and are confident that our community will recognize and be proud of our performance.

CORE VALUES

Excellence

Professionalism

Honesty

Integrity

Respect

Service

Leadership

Dear Citizens of Brookville,

I would like to take this opportunity to provide our 2017 annual report. The men and women of the City of Brookville Police Department continue to work hard to provide ethical and professional police services to our community. One of our overall goals each year is to fulfill our commitment of "Excellence in Service" and maintain consistency by living up to our mission statement which states:

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Without reservation, 2017 was the most challenging, productive, progressive, and technological years in the department's history. We continue to search for innovative ways to provide police services to our community in the most economical, efficient, and expedited manner. Our annual report provides a basic overview of these accomplishments.

We continue to expand and reinforce community policing efforts. In 2017, we received a Provisional Certification for Community Engagement by the Ohio Collaborative Community-Police Advisory Board. I truly believe in a "building the bridge before you need it" methodology. We remain committed to being positive role models with a strong emphasis on the youth of our community. One of our top priorities is to provide law related education in our schools as well as programs geared towards making our youth more productive citizens.

In 2017, we remained vigilant in our traffic enforcement efforts. Our continued goal is to reduce speed and moving violations, traffic crashes, alcohol related offenses, and improve traffic safety within our community. We continue to recognize the importance of working with local and regional partners to addresses the nationwide opioid crisis.

Lastly, we continue to prioritize officer safety awareness by increasing our training hours. Some of our annual training included: firearms courses, regional training courses, self-defense and specialized weapon training as well as a variety of on-line training modules. These methods continue to provide our officers with a broad range of successful training methods geared towards promoting their professional development.

Enthusiastically,

Douglas Jerome, M.S., MPA
Chief of Police



2017 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- This year we added an additional twelfth full-time officer, Officer Whittney Bryson. This valuable addition gave the department the opportunity to employ two full-time female police officers which brings us closer to broadening the diversity within the department.
- A part-time civilian Crime Prevention Officer position was created. This allowed the department to retain Steve Whiteaker as Chaplain and Crime Prevention Officer which has been extremely beneficial to our department and the community.
- We joined the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Criminal Justice Intelligence Center. This is a very valuable resource for sharing officer safety bulletins, criminal intelligence information, and overdose statistics. This provides weekly overdose totals by jurisdiction in Montgomery County.
- The department received a Provisional Certification for Community Engagement issued by the Ohio Collaborative Law Community-Police Advisory Board.
- The new police department website was officially launched and continues to be a work in progress based on new and improved features offered to the community.
- Professional IT services were contracted and implemented with Pro Stratus.
- An email and domain change were implemented which eliminated the police departments existing email address and created a standard address to be utilized by all city employees. Microsoft 360 was also implemented citywide.
- A new telephone system was installed to replace the existing system which was installed in 1995. The upgrade provided the police department with voice mail, caller identification, conference calling, additional phone lines, and features that were long overdue.
- A new twelve (12) camera system was installed in the municipal building and police department. This new system replaced outdated, inefficient, and failing components which were causing liability concerns for successful criminal prosecution.
- The police department replaced our current wireless internet capabilities with a merged system utilized by the entire municipal building. We also continue to expand and explore new connectivity capabilities between our patrol cars and the building. These expanded options reduce the amount of time officers spend in the building, promotes increased patrol activity, and expedites response times for calls.

2017 ACCOMPLISHMENTS CONTINUED

- Five in-car printers were installed in our marked patrol cars. These printers were free as a result from a grant provided by the Ohio Department of Public Safety. This required the department to coordinate technological capabilities between our system and the State of Ohio which successfully made it possible to link crash reports, data, and the citation components to our patrol cars. These printers allow us to print citations, complaint forms, reports, officer safety materials, and virtually anything else needed to do our jobs in the field. This limits the amount of time our officers spend at the building.
- The police department reporting system, Informant was also installed in the patrol cars which allows officers the ability to access and complete reports from our patrol cars.
- Five (5) new X26P Taser's were added to our inventory which allowed us to phase out our discontinued X26 Taser's.
- We replaced our current ASP tactical batons which have been in service for approximately 20 years with a new and improved model.
- An outer ballistic vest cover was approved to improve comfort and appearance standards. These vest covers will be purchased by patrol officers using uniform allowance funds.
- We received a free Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) valued at \$1700. The donation came through the Fraternal Order of Police as part of a grant from Fire House Subs Public Safety Foundation.



Chief Doug Jerome accepts a donated AED from FOP 117 Past President John DiPietro



New Taser X26P



New ASP Tactical Batons



New Camera and Computer System



New Outer Ballistic Vest for Officers



New Telephone System



1 of 5 New In-Car Printers

2017 EDUCATION AND TRAINING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Chief Doug Jerome is currently working on his Doctor of Philosophy in Public Policy and Administration with a specialization in Public Management and Leadership.
- Major Tom Simon completed his Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice from Ashworth College and is currently enrolled and working on his Bachelor's Degree at Columbia State University.
- Captain Cherish Isaacs completed her Master of Public Administration from Wright State University.
- This year we were mandated by the State of Ohio and Ohio Peace Officers Training Academy to complete 20 Continual Professional Training (CPT) hours which had to be completed by each officer to retain their peace officer's certification. This does not include the hundreds of additional hours that we completed department wide with specialized, range, and Daily Training Bulletin (DTB) training.



Major Simon instructs Officer Hanson and Chief Jerome during defensive tactics training



Officers training building clearing during shoot house training

2016 OFFICER OF THE YEAR

(Officers received award in April 2017)



The 2016 Brookville Police Department Officer of the Year award was given to three officers due to their heroic efforts during an officer involved shooting on October 31, 2016. Officers Graci and Officer Edds were involved in the shooting that resulted in Officer Edds sustaining a serious injury to his left arm and a female suspect, Ashley Sides deceased. During the incident, both Officer Graci and Edds showed great courage and professionalism under fire.

Officer Graci, having almost been intentionally struck by a speeding vehicle, never abandoned the performance of his duties. Officer Graci continued to affect a lawful arrest knowing that his own life was in danger. Officer Graci was directly in the line of fire throughout the entire encounter and never hesitated nor had a thought for his own well-being. During the incident Officer Graci, using his own belt, made a tourniquet, and stopped the critical bleeding of Officer Edds. Medical professionals commended the use of the tourniquet which ultimately saved the life of Officer Edds.

Officer Graci showed courage, selflessness, and dedication and performed beyond the line of duty. His actions reflect great credit upon himself, the Brookville Police Department, and the community he serves.

Officer Miller arrived on scene shortly after and was commended for his quick response and ability to quickly gain control of the scene. Officer Miller maintained control of the scene and provided guidance to other officers until Command Staff members arrived.

In addition to Brookville Police Department Officer of the Year awards all three officers were presented with awards from the American Police Hall of Fame. Officer Graci received the Silver Star for Bravery, Officer Edds received the Purple Heart and Officer Miller received the General Commendation Award.

2017 OFFICER OF THE YEAR



Officer Zack Snell was named the 2017 Officer of the Year. Officer Snell was instrumental in helping with many of the technological upgrades within the departments in 2017. Officer Snell worked with the State of Ohio, the City of Englewood, Pro Stratus and other agencies to install the OLEIS e-citation program and in-car printers and the remote Informant reporting system. These technological upgrades reduce the amount of time officers must spend in the office and allows them more time on the road.

Officer Snell was also instrumental in helping in key investigations, especially large criminal cases. Officer Snell assisted in apprehending the suspect in a stabbing out of Preble County who was also wanted by several other law enforcement agencies.

ADDITIONAL AWARDS

In addition to the Officer of the Year and Silver Star for Bravery awards; Officer Frank Graci also received the Blue Coat Award for Courage from the Knights of Columbus.



Officer Graci also received the Fraternal Order of Police “Ohio’s Finest Law Enforcement Officer” award for heroism. Officer Graci is seen here with National FOP Vice President Jay McDonald receiving his award.



ADDITIONAL AWARDS CONTINUED

Officer Graci and Officer Edds were made honorary members of FOP Lodge 117 and can be seen here with National FOP Vice President Jay McDonald, FOP 117 Vice President Bruce Baisden and President John DiPietro.



Officers Graci, Edds and Miller at Optimist Awards



Chief Jerome, Chaplain Whiteaker, Administrative Assistance Staas, Officers Miller, Edds, Graci, Major Simon and Captain Isaacs

NEW MEMBERS JOINING THE DEPARTMENT



Officer Whittney Bryson joined the police department as a full-time police officer on June 12, 2017. Officer Bryson came to the department from Central State University where she was a full-time police officer.



Officer Michael Morgan joined the police department as a part-time police officer on October 11, 2017. Officer Morgan works full-time with the Preble County Sheriff's Office as a corrections officer.

MEMBERS WHO HAVE LEFT THE DEPARTMENT



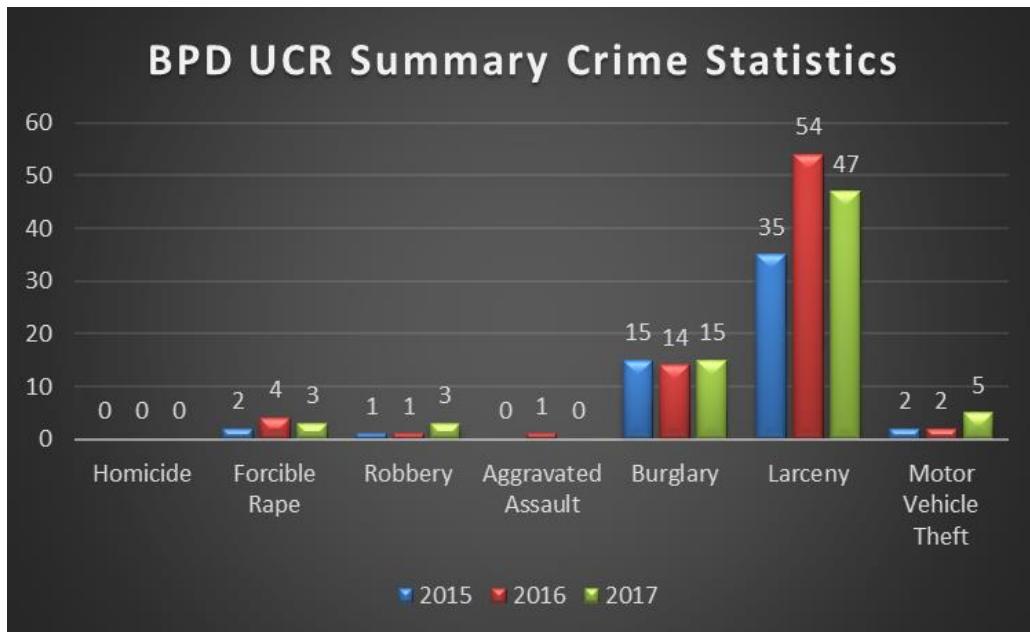
Officer Tim Maples left the department on April 19, 2017 after four years of service. Officer Maples left the department to take a full-time position with the Butler Township Police Department.



Officer Zachary Moore joined the police department as a part-time officer on March 23, 2017. Officer Moore resigned his position on November 13, 2017 to pursue other interest.

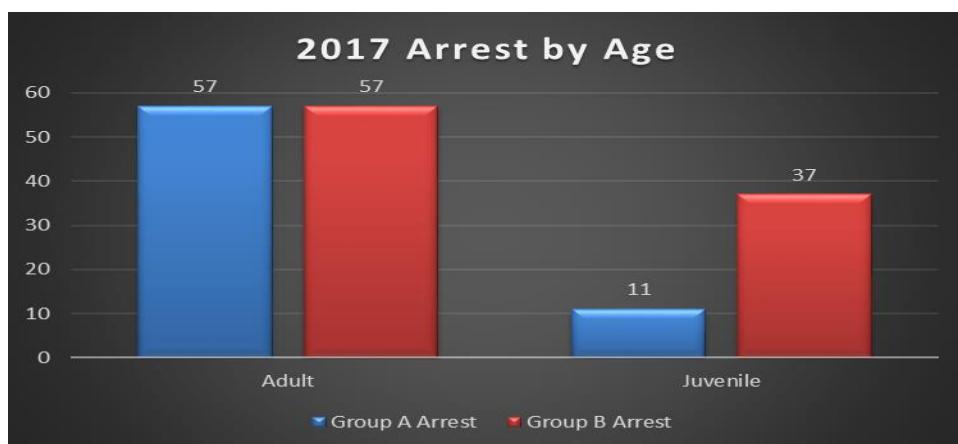
UCR SUMMARY CRIME STATISTICS 2015-2017

	2015	2016	2017
Homicide	0	0	0
Forcible Rape	2	4	3
Robbery	1	1	3
Aggravated Assault	0	1	0
Total Violent Crime	3	6	6
Burglary	15	14	15
Larceny	35	54	47
Motor Vehicle Theft	2	2	5
Total Property Crime	52	70	67
Total Part 1 Crime	55	76	73



2017 ARRESTS (ADULT AND JUVENILE COMPARISON)

GROUP A OFFENSES	TOTAL	ADULTS	%	JUVENILE	%
ASSAULT	19	17	89%	2	11%
BURGLARY	3	1	33%	2	67%
FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING	0	0	0	0	0
FRAUD	4	4	100%	0	0%
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0	0	0	0
STOLEN PROPERTY: BUYING, RECEIVING, POSSESSING	3	3	100%	0	0%
VANDALISM	2	0	0%	2	100%
WEAPONS: CARRYING, POSSESSIONG, ETC.	1	1	100%	0	0%
PROSTITUTION AND COMMERCIAL VICE	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE	0	0	0	0	0
DRUGS/NARCOTICS	27	23	85%	4	15%
ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0
LARCENY/THEFT	8	8	100%	0	0%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1	0	0%	1	100%
HOMICIDE	0	0	0	0	0
GAMBLING	0	0	0	0	0
GROUP A ARREST TOTAL	68	57	84%	11	16%
GROUP B OFFENSES					
OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY AND CHILDREN	27	24	89%	3	11%
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	12	12	100%	0	0%
LIQUOR LAWS	12	6	50%	6	50%
DRUNKENNESS	1	1	100%	0	0%
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	5	4	80%	1	20%
CURFEW/LOITERING/VAGRANCY	9	0	0%	9	100%
RUN AWAY	3	0	0%	3	100%
ALL OTHER OFFENSES	25	10	40%	15	60%
GROUP B ARREST TOTAL	94	57	61%	37	39%

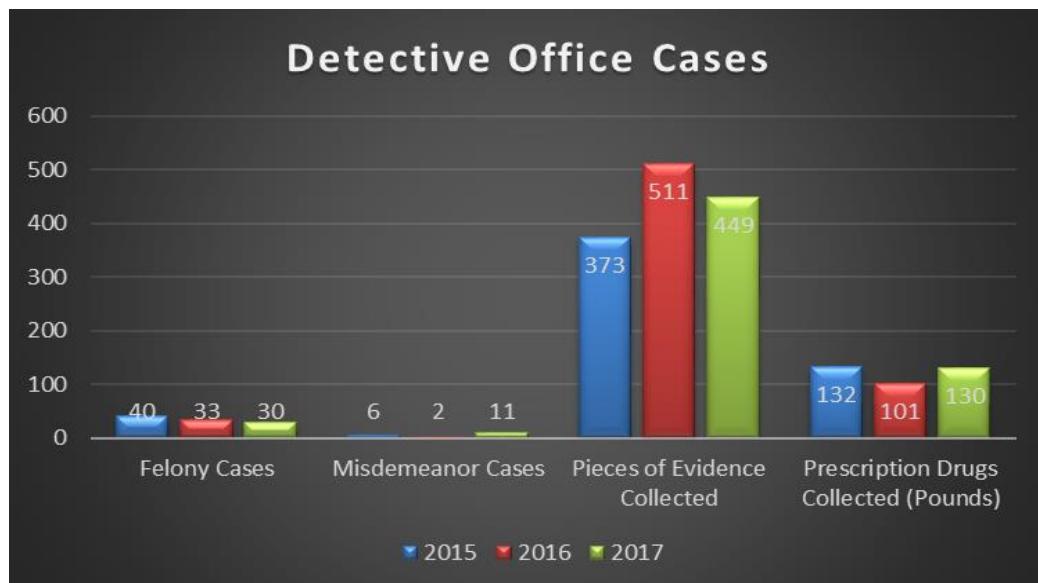


DETECTIVE OFFICE YEARLY COMPARISON

	2015	2016	2017	3 Yr. Avg.
Felony Cases*	40	33	30	34
Misdemeanor Cases**	6	2	11	6
Pieces of Evidence Collected	373	511	449	444
Prescription Pills Collected (Pounds)	132	101	130	121

*Cases filed with the Montgomery County Prosecutors Office

**Cases filed with the Montgomery County Municipal Court



The Police Department provides a drop box for prescription medications. The drop box allows residents a way to safely dispose of their unused prescription medications and keep them out of the hands of potential abusers. These drop boxes are one way to help combat accidental overdoses which are Ohio's leading cause of accidental deaths.

TRAFFIC ACTIVITY YEARLY COMPARISON

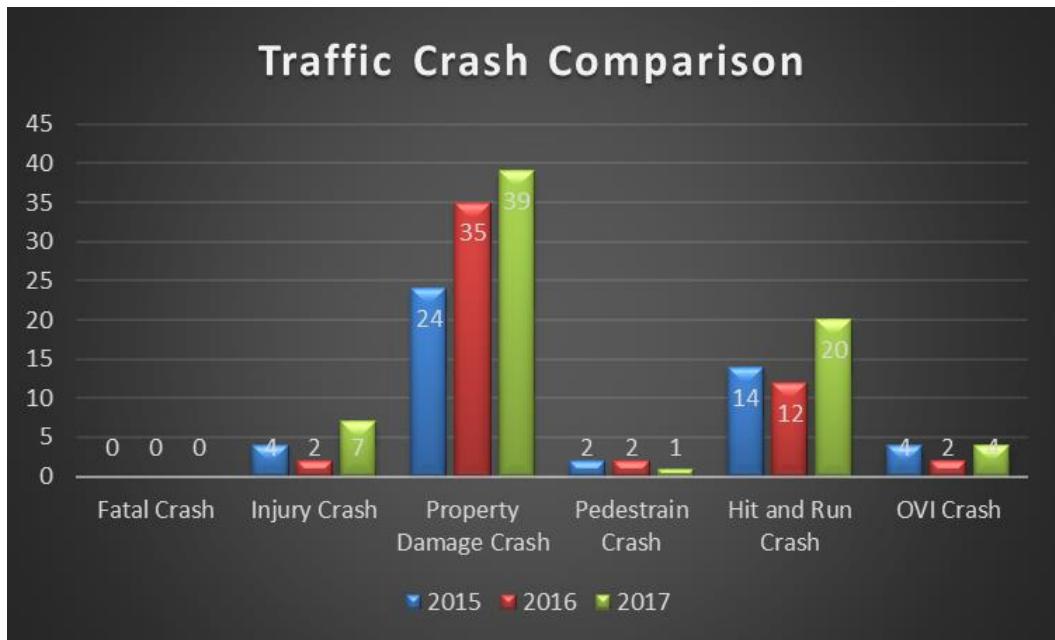
	2015	2016	2017	3 Yr. Avg.
Citations	482	431	506	473
Traffic Stops	1795	1398	2003	1732
OVI Arrests	22	20	12	18



The Police Department participates in the Driver Sober or Get Pulled Over and Click it or Ticket campaigns

TRAFFIC CRASHES YEARLY COMPARISON

	2015	2016	2017	3 Yr. Avg.
Fatal Crash	0	0	0	0
Injury Crash	4	2	7	4
Property Damage Crash	24	35	39	33
Pedestrian Crash	2	2	1	2
Hit and Run Crash	14	12	20	15
OVI Crash	4	2	4	3
Total	48	53	71	(57) 3 Yr. Avg.



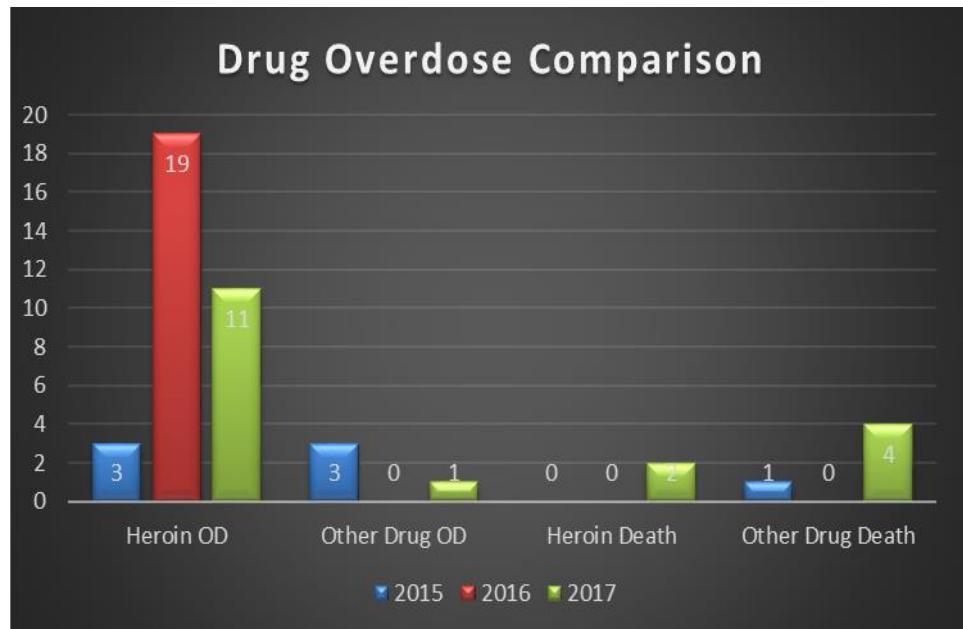
Injury Crash that occurred in November at intersection of Johnsville-Brookville at Charlie Ct.

HEROIN AND OTHER DRUG OVERDOSE & DEATH STATISTICS 2015-2017

2017 proved to be a record breaking year for heroin overdoses and deaths in Montgomery County. Montgomery County was mentioned as having the highest number of overdose deaths in the United States. Consequently, the local heroin epidemic made local and national news as reported in the Brookville Star, Dayton Daily News, CNN, FOX News, The New York Times and The Huffington Post. Unfortunately, the City of Brookville experienced a higher than usual amount of drug and heroin related deaths. Between January 2017 and July 2017, the police department handled an average of (2) heroin overdoses a month. However, from July 03 to November 13, 2017 and November 14, 2017 to December 31, 2017 the police department did not handle any heroin overdoses.

	2015	2016	2017
*Heroin OD	3	19	11
*Heroin Death	0	0	2
Other Drug OD	3	0	1
Other Drug Death	1	0	4
Total	7	19	18

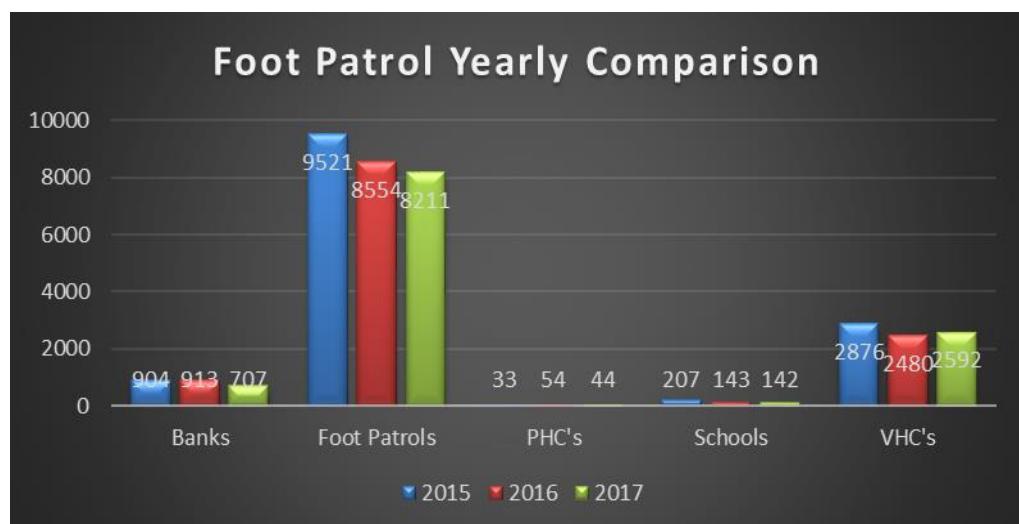
*Could include fentanyl and car fentanyl



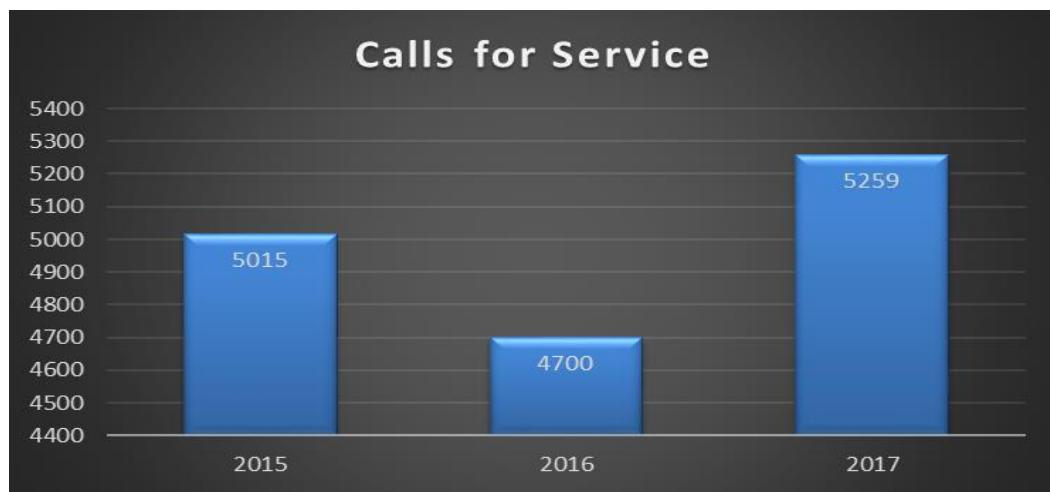
FOOT PATROL YEARLY COMPARISON

	2015	2016	2017
BANKS	904	913	707
FOOT PATROLS*	9521	8554	8211
PHC'S	33	54	44
SCHOOLS	207	143	142
VHC'S	2876	2480	2592
TOTAL	13541	12144	11696

*Foot Patrols of other businesses, parks, sporting events, etc.



	2015	2016	2017	3 Yr. Avg.
Calls for Service	5015	4700	5259	4991



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community Policing remains a top priority for the Brookville Police Department and as a result, we continue to be actively involved in as many community projects as possible. The department provides educational presentations, support for numerous parades, runs and walks, police services for the Chamber of Commerce Community Picnic, daily foot patrols of the Brookville Local Schools, Banks, and businesses and many other Community Policing services. In September 2017, the Police Department received a Provisional Certification for Community Engagement issued by the Ohio Collaborative Law Community-Police Advisory Board.



2017 GHOSTLY NIGHT OUT

The cold weather forced the 6th annual Ghostly Night Out (GNO) indoors. Brookville Schools Superintendent Hopkins was generous enough to allow us to hold the event at the Middle/High School. This didn't stop several hundred ghost and ghouls from attending the event. This year's GNO provided a clown themed haunted hallway, bounce houses, games, a movie, costume contest, arts and crafts, guest appearance by the Star Wars characters, free hot dogs, chips, drinks, and of course, **LOTS** of candy. This event continues to allow officers the opportunity to engage the community in a non-enforcement way.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CONTINUED



2017 Veterans Day Luncheon

For the last 6 years the Brookville Police Department has teamed up with Clay Township Police Department, Miami Valley CTC Criminal Justice Program and Rob's Restaurant to provide a free lunch to military veterans. As a small token of appreciation, this event allows officers and other community volunteers the opportunity to serve lunch to those who have served our country.



Chief Jerome met with preschoolers at the Community Methodist Church to talk about Halloween safety tips for Trick-or-Treat. Chief Jerome and other officers present to several groups, classes and businesses throughout the year on various topics. Many of these presentations are on crime prevention, safety talks and current events like the heroin epidemic.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CONTINUED



2018 Feed Brookville

The Brookville Police Department and the Miami Valley CTC Criminal Justice Program teamed up with Trinity Lutheran Church to provide a warm lunch to those in need in the community. Those attending the event were served turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, and green beans all prepared by church members. They were also served dessert which is donated by Panera Bread and Brookville IGA. This event gives officers, CTC students and other community volunteers the opportunity to give back to citizens of Brookville who might need a hot meal.



Captain Isaacs and Administrative Assistant Staas had the opportunity to participate in an Extreme CSI Camp. The camp is hosted by the Fort McKinley Church in Dayton and the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office. Captain Isaacs and Admin. Asst. Staas taught sessions to kids on evidence collection and photographing at a mock crime scene and how to extract DNA from a strawberry.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CONTINUED



3RD ANNUAL OFFICER DOWN MEMORIAL 5K

In honor of officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving and protecting their communities, the Police Department held their 3rd annual Officer Down Memorial 5k. The 5k raised \$6005, which was donated to the Montgomery County Police Officers Memorial Fund. To date, the Police Department has raised \$13,000 for the memorial fund.



Heroin & Opioid Education Seminar

Chief Jerome and Officer Brian Lyons teamed up with the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, Clay Township Police Department and the Ridge Church to educate the public on the dangers of heroin. Officer Lyons also did heroin and opiate education classes at Brookville High School. The Police Department hopes that educating the public on the dangers of heroin and opiate abuse will help to prevent overdose deaths.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CONTINUED

In addition to the above events the Brookville Police Department was also actively involved in several other events that included:

Coffee with a Cop – This event is held at Brookhaven Nursing and Care Center and allows the public an opportunity to have a cup of coffee and talk with a member of the police department.

Toys for Tots – The Police Department has teamed up with local businesses, churches and citizens to collect hundreds of toys for needy children in the Brookville area, as well as, throughout the Miami Valley.

Pink Ribbon Cruiser – 2017 was the second year the Police Department adorned our cruisers with a pink ribbon to show support of all those who have or are currently fighting a courageous battle against breast cancer and to those who would have lost their battle with breast cancer.

Texas Hurricane Relief Project – In August 2017, Hurricane Harvey caused devastating flooding to the Houston, Texas area. As a result, the Police Department teamed with the Plainview Open Bible Church and Midwest Trucking to collect donations of food, water and toiletries that were delivered to Houston, Texas. Midwest Trucking provided the semi-trailer and delivery of the donations.

The Police Department is also involved in other law enforcement partnerships that are invaluable to sharing pertinent information and promoting positive community police relationships. Some of these partnerships include:

Combined Agency OVI Task Force – Is a grant funded task force set-up to reduce the number of alcohol/drug related crashes, injuries and fatalities in Montgomery County. The grant provides funding to cover the cost of overtime for traffic blitzes and OVI check points.

IMPACT (Improving Modern Police and Community Trust) – A committee formed by the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office that brings together community and law enforcement leaders to create dialogue on race relations and law enforcement.

Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Criminal Justice Intelligence Center – This has been an extremely valuable resource for sharing officer safety bulletins, criminal intelligence information, and overdose statistics. The Intelligence Center provides weekly overdose totals by jurisdiction and Montgomery County.

Combined Agency Law Enforcement Blitz – Officer Mark Miller had the opportunity to participate in blitzes that targeted heroin problem areas in Montgomery County. Local police departments and the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office teamed up to identify problem areas and then provided saturation enforcement efforts in those areas to deter the sale and possession of heroin and other synthetic opiates.

Although this is not an all-inclusive list of the department's community involvement it does provide a general overview of our commitment to building a strong working relationship with our community. As always, none of these events would be possible without the continued support and generosity of our citizens and businesses.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CONTINUED

The Police Department also works closely with the Brookville School District by providing daily walk throughs and daily school zone patrols. We were also involved in education programs like the Eddie Eagle Gun Safety Program, Halloween Safety, Anti-Bullying, Distracted Driving, Bus Safety, Playground Safety, Internet Safety, Heroin Education, and Dating Violence. In addition to these programs we also participate in safety plan drills, the walk to school event, Prom Promise, and we team up with the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office to finger print and photograph elementary school students.



Chief Jerome teaches a safety course at the elementary



Capt. Isaacs encourages drivers to stop for school buses



Officer B. Lyons providing education on heroin addiction



BPD assisting with the Pink Ribbon walk

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CONTINUED



BPD, BFD, and Care Flight participate in Prom Promise



Chief Jerome and Superintendent Hopkins



Volunteers help prepare items for shipment to Houston, Texas



BPD and several other local departments at Fifth Third Field to meet with Donut Boy



Pink Ribbon Cruiser



Chief Jerome with Renee Chase