

**Taylor Mill Police Department  
2015  
Year End Report**



**Your Accredited  
Law Enforcement Agency**



# Taylor Mill Police Department

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# Taylor Mill Police Department



## **Message from the City Administrator**

**Jill Cain Bailey**

We are pleased to present to you the 2015 Annual Year End Report for the Taylor Mill Police Department (TMPD), which will provide you with a comprehensive overview of the operations of your local Police Department. It is our hope that this document will clearly outline for you how your tax dollars are hard at work protecting you and your personal property, and also provide you additional insight to better understand the challenges that the men and women who serve and protect our community face daily in the fulfillment of their duties. Internally, we utilize this report to assess and enhance the operations of our organization including the allocation of staff and resources.

During 2015, the City of Taylor Mill continued to be impacted by the reconstruction of KY16, also known as Pride Parkway, by the Commonwealth of Kentucky. 2015 found the completion of this 60 million dollar major infrastructure improvement project, where redirected traffic patterns provide for the development of a more defined business district allowing properties to develop into mixed use retail and office space. This planned development area is branded as the Districts of Taylor Mill and the area has observed continued growth during 2015.

The demand for increased service and staffing as a result of these changes are yet to be fully realized. The Taylor Mill City Commission along with members of management staff continually strive towards assessing the evolving situation and preparing for changes in the future. It remains our goal to provide the best services as economically as possible in order to protect the property and enhance the quality of life for those who live, work and play within our community. Public Safety is an essential element to all that we do.

Congratulations to Chief Steve Knauf and all of the TMPD staff for continuing to excel and continually exceed expectations in the operations of the Taylor Mill Police Department. To our residents, please do not hesitate to call us in the event we can be of assistance. We look forward to serving you. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jill Cain Bailey, CAO  
City of Taylor Mill

# Taylor Mill Police Department



## MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF



Welcome to the 2015 Year End Report for the Taylor Mill Police Department. I hope the information compiled in this body of work will provide you with insight into the operation of your police department, over the course of the past twelve months, as well as offering a snap-shot of the men and women who protect and serve your community.

During 2015, the Taylor Mill City Commission equipped all sworn staff with Body Worn Cameras (BWC's). Cameras increase agency transparency, have an evidentiary benefit, and tend to expedite resolution of citizen complaints and/or law suits. Moreover, BWC's have been shown to have a civilizing effect, resulting in improved behavior among both police officers and citizens. The intent of our BWC program is to enhance police department legitimacy within our community and increase transparency with the people we serve.

Part of our mission is striving to continually improve community safety; while simultaneously being fiscally conservative. Thus, we are constantly on the lookout to make application for law enforcement grants when funding opportunities arise. Case in point, Officer James Mills, once again successfully applied for, and received over \$22,804.00 in grant funding this year, used to support additional patrols and traffic enforcement action within our community.

During 2015, we observed the completion of Pride Parkway, which has significantly changed the landscape of Taylor Mill. Although complaints of speeding have increased with the opening of the Parkway, the number of reported traffic accidents was reduced as compared to 2014. More than likely the reduction is the result of a combination of multiple factors; a safer and better engineered roadway, along with measures of stepped-up speed enforcement/interventions, and increased police presence.

2015 found the police department updating equipment, with the acquisition of new Tasers, and the purchase of an all-wheel drive, Ford Police Interceptor, for use by patrol. Moreover, Sergeant Patrick Reis secured a matching grant to purchase six ballistic vests and the City Commission allocated funding to develop a fitness center for use by city employees and volunteers. All and all it was a productive year for your police department, thanks to your funding and support!

Sincerely,

Steve Knauf  
Chief of Police

# Taylor Mill Police Department

## *MISSION STATEMENT*

*The Mission of the Taylor Mill Police Department is to:  
Protect and Serve our customers,  
While we strive to do the right thing,  
To do our best,  
And to treat others as we would like to be treated*



## *VALUES STATEMENT*

*We value human life and personal dignity.*

*We value personal and professional integrity as the basis for community trust.*

*We value fair and impartial enforcement of all laws.*

*We value professional excellence and customer service.*

*We value all members of the Taylor Mill Police Department, both sworn and unsworn.*

# Taylor Mill Police Department

Taylor Mill Police Department is Internationally Accredited by  
Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies

November 2010

November 2013



Taylor Mill Police Department is State Accredited by  
Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police

March 2002

March 2007

March 2012





# Taylor Mill Police Department



## **Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police Law Enforcement Accreditation Program**

The K.A.C.P. Accreditation program is a progressive and time-proven way of helping institutions evaluate and improve their overall performance. The cornerstone of this strategy lies in the promulgation of standards containing a clear statement of professional objectives. Participating administrators then conduct a thorough analysis to determine how existing operations can be adapted to meet these objectives. When the procedures are in place, a team of independent professionals is assigned to verify that all applicable standards have been successfully implemented. The process culminates with a decision by an authoritative body that the institution is worthy of accreditation.

The Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police Law Enforcement Accreditation program is one of the most valuable and cost effective ways currently available to departments that wish to enhance overall agency effectiveness and professionalism. Accredited departments benefit from the use of consistent and proven procedures, clearly outlined policies, and efficient practices. In addition, accreditation serves to create a feeling of confidence among your residents that their police/sheriff department recognizes the importance of establishing and maintaining as high a degree of effectiveness and professionalism as possible.

The Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police mandate police departments go through the rigors of accreditation every five years. The Taylor Mill Police Department underwent an onsite assessment of our agency operations and policies in the spring of 2012. Upon conclusion of the inspection, our agency was re-accredited for the third time in our history, where our state accreditation status will continue through the year 2017.

# Taylor Mill Police Department



## **Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies**

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., (CALEA®) was created in 1979 as a credentialing authority through the joint efforts of law enforcement's major executive associations: International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP); National Organizations of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE); National Sheriffs' Association (NSA); and the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF). CALEA's purpose was to establish a body of professional standards and to develop an accreditation process to administer its initial credentialing program. The Law Enforcement Accreditation Program was the first credentialing program established by CALEA after its founding. It was originally developed to address what was seen as a need to enhance law enforcement as a profession and to improve law enforcement services. That mission continues today. The program is open to all types of law enforcement agencies, on an international basis. It provides a process to systematically conduct an internal review and assessment of the agencies' policies and procedures, and make adjustments wherever necessary to meet a body of internationally accepted standards.

Since the first CALEA Accreditation Award was granted in 1984, the program has become the primary method for an agency to voluntarily demonstrate their commitment to excellence in law enforcement. The standards upon which the Law Enforcement Accreditation Program is based, reflects the current thinking and experience of law enforcement practitioners and researchers. Major law enforcement associations, leading educational and training institutions, governmental agencies, as well as law enforcement executives internationally, acknowledge CALEA's *Standards for Law Enforcement Agencies*® and its Accreditation Program as benchmarks for today's law enforcement agency.

The Taylor Mill Police Department received our initial accreditation award on November 10, 2010. The year 2013 marked the second time in our agency's history to undergo an onsite assessment by a CALEA Assessment Team. These officials scrutinized TMPD operations during the week of December 7, 2013. In March 2014, the full Board of Commissioners, during the Spring CALEA Conference bestowed re-accreditation status upon TMPD for another three year period. TMPD will continue to maintain our distinguished status, alongside of the Lexington Police Department, as one of only two CALEA accredited agencies in the state of Kentucky. Moreover, we are very proud of the fact, that with a police department comprised of only 11 full-time sworn officers, and one full-time police clerk, we are one of the smallest law enforcement agencies in the world to attain international accreditation, through CALEA. Our agency is the first, and only small agency in Kentucky to become CALEA accredited. CALEA defines a small agency as one with a staff of 25 or less. Additionally, we are the sole small police department in Kentucky to be accredited by both CALEA and the Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police.

# Taylor Mill Police Department



**Chief Steve Knauf**



Steven A. Knauf is a thirty-three year veteran of the Kenton County Criminal Justice field, holding a diverse range of positions in the Justice system. He has served twenty-seven years with the Division of Police in Taylor Mill, and is one of the longest serving Police Chiefs in Kentucky, where he was appointed to his current position in 1993.

A graduate of Northern Kentucky University, he holds an Associate Degree in Law Enforcement, and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Justice Studies. In 1998 he was chosen by the FBI to attend the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia, graduating with the 195th Session, and earned a certificate in Criminal Justice and certified as a Law Enforcement Physical Fitness Instructor and Domestic Violence Instructor. Moreover, he attended graduate school at the University of Cincinnati, where he was awarded the degree of Master of Science in Criminal Justice in 2005.

His Criminal Justice career experience ranges from service with the Kenton County Sheriff's Office, the Kenton County Detention Center, as well as with the Covington and Taylor Mill Police Departments. He has extensive experience in investigative and supervisory assignments in criminal investigation (death, drug enforcement, special investigations, sex crimes, robbery, burglary, and crimes against children), police administration, critical incident management and sexual harassment. He has received numerous commendations and letters of recognition over the years for his work and service in the field of Criminal Justice.

During his tenure as Police Chief the department has been three times accredited by the Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police, The Neighborhood Emergency Assistance Team was created and received the award for "The Best Crime Prevention Program in Kentucky" 2005, and the agency's "Because We Care Program" was bestowed the President's Award of Excellence by the Kentucky League of Cities. In July 2006, he authored an article about the department's NEAT program that was published internationally in "The Police Chief" magazine. Moreover, he coordinated and oversaw a complete renovation of police headquarters, in order to come into compliance with State accreditation standards and lead the department's effort toward achieving international accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), where the department received its initial award on November 20, 2010.

Chief Knauf is the past President of the Kenton County Police Chief's Association as well as previously serving as the President of both the Northern Kentucky Police Chief's Association and the Kenton County Animal Authority Board. Chief Knauf is a past recipient of the Public Service Recognition Award from the City of Cincinnati, in the category of Northern Kentucky Public Sector Employee Award. Moreover, the Northern Kentucky Area Development District recognized him as a past Outstanding Police Chief in Northern Kentucky. In the year 2008, Chief Knauf was one of nine nominees in the state to be considered for the Governor's Award for Outstanding Contribution to Kentucky Law Enforcement. Additionally, Chief Knauf is a member of the Kenton County Emergency Communications Board. In 2014, the Greater Cincinnati Chapter of American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) recognized Chief Knauf at their Public Administrator of the Year Award Banquet in the category of "Program Excellence".

# Taylor Mill Police Department



**Lieutenant Ron Wilson**



Lieutenant Ron Wilson has been in the criminal justice field for more than thirty three years. He began his career with the City of Taylor Mill in March of 1992. Lt. Wilson served with the Kenton County Detention Center for more than 9 years prior to joining our department. Lt. Wilson has graduated through the ranks and was appointed to the position of Lieutenant in 2004. He has gained extensive experience in investigative and supervisory assignments and assists the Police Chief in overseeing day-to-day operations of the department. Lt. Wilson is a graduate of the Department of Criminal Justice Training, "Criminal Justice Executive Development" program in 2004. He was also instrumental in attaining the agency's initial and subsequent five year Certificates of Accreditation through the State of Kentucky; he also authored and implemented a complete revision of the department's Policy and Procedure manuals. In 2007, Lt. Wilson was assigned the position of Accreditation Manager for the "Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies" program. Under his direction, the agency successfully achieved international accreditation on November 20, 2010 and re-accreditation in 2013. During his tenure with the police department, he has championed and supervised many of the department's Community Policing programs, becoming the agency's first D.A.R.E. officer and was instrumental in revitalizing the agency's Neighborhood Block Watch Program. He also initiated and authored the award winning Neighborhood Emergency Assistance Team program (N.E.A.T.) and received the 2005 Crime Prevention Officer of the Year Award from the Kentucky Crime Prevention Coalition. Lt. Wilson has 3 children and 3 grandchildren, in his spare time he assists with organizing and coaching youth baseball with the Hut Athletic Club and enjoys spending time with his family.

# Taylor Mill Police Department



**Sergeant Patrick Reis**



Sergeant Patrick Reis has been a police officer for twenty two years. Sergeant Reis was commissioned to the rank of Sergeant in 2009, and has extensive training in Criminal Investigations. Sergeant Reis was a graduate of the Academy of Police Supervision in 2008, and is also a graduate from the National Intelligence Academy in Covert Video Surveillance Installations. Sgt. Reis also received the Career Development Certificate through the Department of Criminal Justice Training for Investigators with training in Crime Scene Investigations, Computer Crimes and Computer Crimes against Children, Narcotics Investigations and Advanced Narcotics Investigations. Sgt. Reis is in charge of the departmental training, and is the firearms and non-lethal weapons instructor. Sgt. Reis has previously received the “Governors Award for DUI arrests” the first nine years with the police department and also the Robert A. Shields Memorial “Outstanding Police Officer of the Year” Award in 2003. Sgt. Reis worked several years in the administrative section where he authored and managed numerous state, federal and private grants; he also developed and managed the police department’s Narcotics Enforcement Program. In 2014, Sergeant Reis was chosen by the FBI to attend the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia, graduating with the 258th Session, and earned a certificate in Criminal Justice. Sgt. Reis became only the fourth member in department history to earn this prestigious certificate. Sgt. Reis is married with two children and in his spare time enjoys coaching football and spending time with his family.

# Taylor Mill Police Department



**Sergeant Karen Spanyer**



Sergeant Karen Spanyer is a United States Air Force veteran. She began her law enforcement career in 1991, and has been employed with Taylor Mill Police Department for over sixteen years. Sergeant Spanyer has specialized training and experience in a variety of areas. These include Field Training Officer, Taser Instructor, Clandestine Laboratory Safety, Marijuana Identification and Testing, Hostage Negotiations, Narcotics Investigations, Criminal Investigations, and Property Room Management. Sergeant Spanyer played a key role in the development and supervision of the department's property room, and insured that evidence and property room policies and procedures met both CALEA and State of Kentucky accreditation standards. She was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in December 2009, and has the distinction of being Taylor Mill Police Department's first female supervisor. Sergeant Spanyer is a graduate of the Criminal Justice Executive Development Program in Richmond Kentucky. Sergeant Spanyer is married and has two grandchildren. She enjoys working out, reading, gardening, and spending time with her family.

# Taylor Mill Police Department



**Specialist Tim Bailey**



Specialist Tim Bailey has been a police officer for nineteen years. Officer Bailey began his career with the City of Taylor Mill in March of 1997, and was promoted to the rank of Specialist in 2012. Specialist Bailey came to the Taylor Mill Police Department with four years of experience from the Kenton County Police Department Reserves Unit. He is certified through the Kentucky State Police Forensic Laboratory in Marijuana Identification and is one of two officers assigned to manage the police department's evidence room. Officer Bailey has focused his career toward patrol and community relations and has taken over the title as Fleet Manager. In 2012, Specialist Bailey was instrumental in obtaining a military Humvee through the Department of Defense LESO 1033 program, for use in the Police Department during special events, parades, mutual aid, disasters, and inclement weather. Specialist Bailey received the Robert A. Shields Memorial "Outstanding Police Officer of the Year" Award in 1999. Specialist Bailey has 3 children and 3 grandchildren. In his spare time he enjoys spending time with his family, vacationing, working in the yard and collecting sports memorabilia.

# Taylor Mill Police Department



**Officer Ken Honchell**



Officer Ken Honchell has been a police officer for sixteen years. Officer Honchell began his career with the City of Taylor Mill in July of 2006. He came to the Taylor Mill Police Department with eight years of experience from Transylvania University Police Department, Park Hills Police Department and Northern Kentucky University Police Department. Officer Honchell has specialized in Patrol, Public Relations and enjoys investigating criminal cases. He is a member of the Northern Kentucky Arson Task Force as a Crime Scene Investigator. Officer Honchell was the recipient of the 2007 Governor's Award for DUI arrests. Officer Honchell has four children and in his spare time enjoys spending time with his family.

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**Officer Mike Lyon**



Officer Lyon began his career with the Cynthiana Police Department in March of 2010 where he served as a Police Officer until September of 2011 when he joined the City of Taylor Mill. Officer Lyon enjoys meeting the residents of the city whenever possible and assisting with the Police Explorer Program. Officer Lyons received the Governor's Award for Outstanding Achievement in DUI Enforcement in 2013, 2014 & 2015 and the Governor's Occupant Protection Enforcement Award for 2012 thru 2015. Officer Lyon has been a resident of the city of Taylor Mill since his childhood and calls it his home. Officer Lyon in his spare time enjoys detailing cars, hunting, fishing, and watching college basketball and football games.



# Taylor Mill Police Department



**Officer Cyrus Harris**



Officer Harris has been a police officer in Kentucky for eight years. Officer Harris served 3 years as a federal law enforcement officer with the Federal Reserve Police. He was promoted to Corporal and was a tactical firearms instructor. Officer Harris served three years with the Kentucky State Police Vehicle Enforcement Division where his primary focus was on driver safety, commercial vehicles, and drug interdiction on Kentucky highways. Officer Harris joined Taylor Mill Police in November of 2012 after spending two years with the Park Hills Police Department. Officer Harris is a veteran of the US Army 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division and has an Associate's Degree in Law Enforcement Technology. He is married with three children and enjoys weightlifting in his spare time.

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**Officer James Mills**



Officer James Mills has been a police officer for ten years. Officer Mills began his career with the City of Taylor Mill in November of 2009. He came to our agency with four years of experience from the Dalton, Georgia Police Department and one year with the Northern Kentucky University Police Department. Officer Mills is a certified International Police Mountain Biking Officer and Police Training Officer. Officer Mills became the department's first Accident Reconstructionist in 2014, and is the department's Advisor to the Explorer Program. Officer Mills has authored and supervised multiple grants for the police department for the purchase of equipment and special project overtime of the officers. Officer Mills is married and has one son. In his free time he enjoys traveling and spending time with his family and friends.

# Taylor Mill Police Department



**Officer Heather Mitchell**



Officer Heather Mitchell has been a police officer in Kentucky for sixteen years. Officer Mitchell began her career in Henderson, KY before moving on to Butler, KY for just over one and a half years. In August of 2000, Officer Mitchell found a home in Taylor Mill and has been here ever since. Officer Mitchell is currently the School Resource Officer at Scott High School and assists with the Police Explorer program. Officer Mitchell is married with 2 children and in her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her family.

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**Officer Daniel Potts**



Officer Potts began his career in law enforcement with the Taylor Mill Police Department in September of 2013. He is graduated of Eastern Kentucky University with a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and Criminal Justice. Officer Potts specifically sought out to work with the Taylor Mill Police Department because of their National CALEA and state KACP accreditation. Officer Potts is married and in his spare time he enjoys umpiring baseball games and volunteering with the Special Olympics.

# Taylor Mill Police Department



**Admin. Assist. Sandy Meyer**



Police Administrative Assistant Sandy Meyer has been with the department since 1998. She is the office manager of the department, the direct assistant to the Chief of Police, where she is responsible for a wide range of important duties. Sandy oversees the PD records management system, provides support to police officers and assists both internal and external customers. Sandy has two adult children and two grandchildren that she enjoys spending time with. She and her husband live in the Taylor Mill community.

# Taylor Mill Police Department

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## RECOGNITION PAGE

The Taylor Mill Police Department is one of many agencies that participate in the Cop and Kids program funded by the Kenton County FOP. This Christmas 5 Officers from the Taylor Mill Police Department represented the agency to help children have a Merry Christmas. Children from the city of Taylor Mill and other nearby cities were given \$100 each to shop for presents for themselves and other family members at Wal-Mart in Fort Wright. They were escorted around the store by a uniformed police officer and assisted in picking out the items that they needed and wanted. After finishing their shopping, the presents were wrapped and brought back to the Edgewood Senior Center for the children to take home with them. While waiting, the children watched a movie, and were served with pizza and juice.



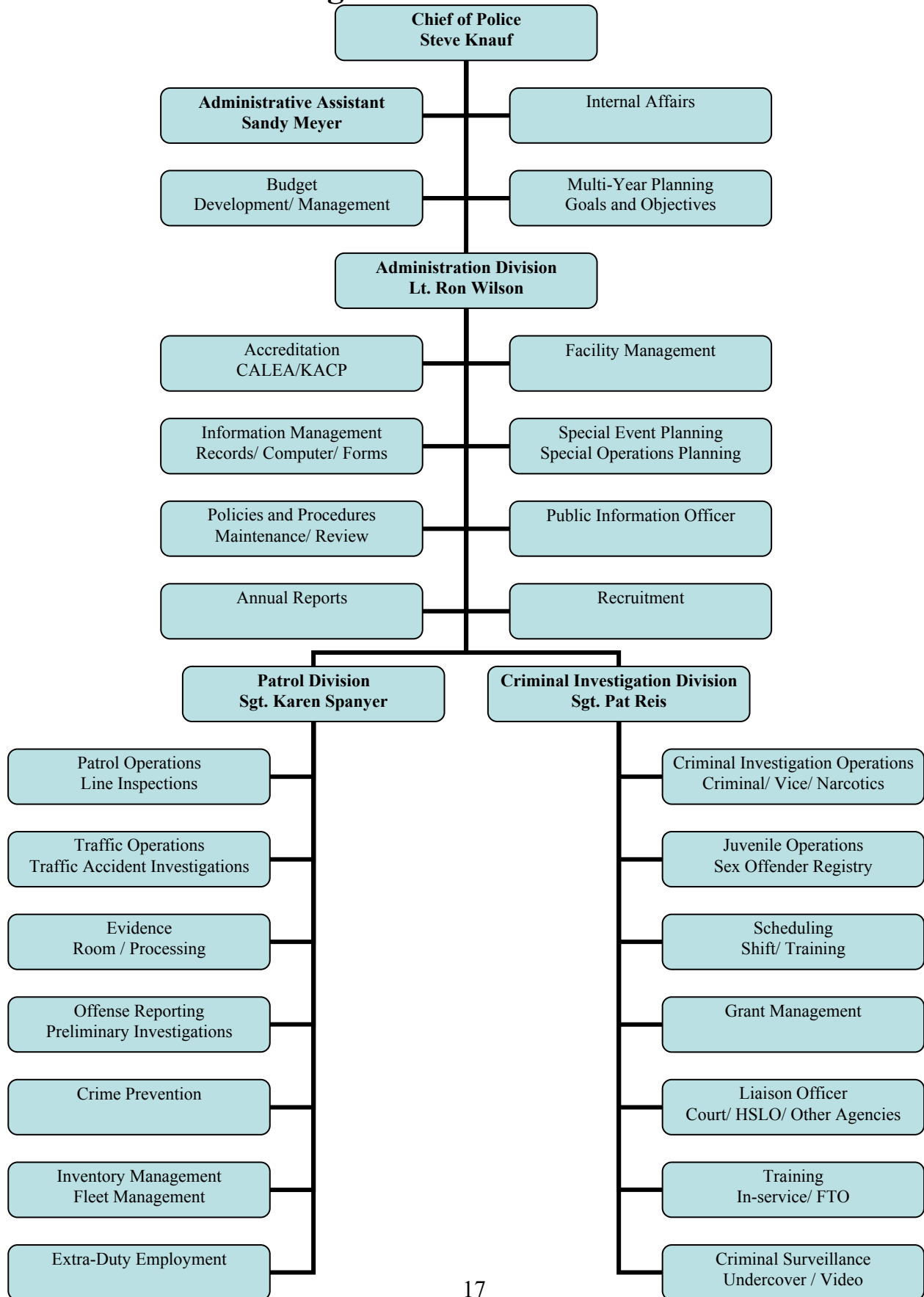
Pictured to the left are the children and officers who participated. We're proud to say that the City of Taylor Mill had the greatest turnout, with 5 officers volunteering their time to make this event so successful. Officer Ken Honchell, Sergeant Karen Spanyer, Officer James Mills, Sergeant Patrick Reis and Officer Danny Potts participated in this year's Cops and Kids program.



The Taylor Mill Explorers is an organization started by Officer Mills 5 years ago, that continues to be one of the best groups in the state. In June of this year, Officer Mills and Officer Mitchell took the group to Alabama to compete in the Police Explorer competition. They did exceptionally well and were able to achieve an average of 91% overall in testing. The activities they participated in included firearms, fitness, domestic violence responses and burglary response. Zachary Tichenor placed 1<sup>st</sup> overall in firearms and physical fitness. Jacob Lemker finish 3<sup>rd</sup> in firearms. We are very proud of all their hard work and training. Pictured from the top left: Jacob Lemker, Logan Herzog, Chad Eapmon, Mark Kuchle, Cody Kledzik, Officer James Mills, Colin Parsons, Zach Tichenor, Chaise Blanchet, and Officer Heather Mitchell.

# Taylor Mill Police Department

## Organizational Structure



# Taylor Mill Police Department

## POLICE DEPARTMENT AT A GLANCE

Founded	1957
Authorized Sworn Officers	11
Authorized Civilian Personnel	1
Total Employees	12
Budget 15/16	\$1,386,091.32
Marked Patrol Cars	11

## TAYLOR MILL AT A GLANCE

Founded	1957
Total City Budget 15/16	\$7,141,490.50
Land Area	6.12 Square Miles
Parks	Pride Park
Population	6,815 Estimated
Single House Dwellings	2,150
Average Home Resale 2015	\$123,000
Schools	4
Mayor	Dan Bell
City Commissioners	Dan Murray
	Ed Kuehne
	Roger Reis*
	Debby Kreimborg

\*Police Commissioner

# Taylor Mill Police Department



## STATISTICAL INFORMATION 2015

<i>Kentucky Uniform Citations</i>	651
<i>Taylor Mill Citations</i>	42
<i>Taylor Mill Courtesy Notices</i>	51
<i>Total arrest</i>	221
<i>Traffic Stops</i>	1533
<i>DUI arrest</i>	30
<i>Assisting Other Agencies</i>	404
<i>Auto Accidents</i>	223
<i>Open Cases</i>	2
<i>City Funded &amp; Off-Duty Detail Hours</i>	215
<i>Vacation/House Watch Requests</i>	116
<i>Residential House Watch Checks</i>	5053
<i>Vehicle Lock Outs</i>	118
<i>Total Calls for Service</i>	10,515

# Taylor Mill Police Department



## Part 1 Crimes *(Adult & Juvenile Offenses)*

<u>Category</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Rape	1	0	1	0
Robbery	4	0	2	0
Assault 1 & 2	13	3	1	1
Burglary	42	23	7	14
Theft Over	85	62	37	26
Theft/Vehicle	12	5	3	3
Arson	0	1	1	0
<u>Kidnapping</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total Part 1</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>44</b>



## Part 2 Crimes

<u>Category</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Assault 4th	50	39	44	33
Forgery	5	2	5	6
Fraud	19	19	21	10
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0
Theft Under	71	69	51	25
Vandalism	22	27	27	13
Weapons	1	2	1	2
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	5	2	2	4
Drug Offenses	58	88	83	54
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Against Families	19	7	8	30
<u>Other Incidents</u>	<u>199</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>112</u>
<b>Total Part 2</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>289</b>



# Taylor Mill Police Department

## 2015 Administrative Review

### Biased Based Policing Complaints

Complaints from:	2013	2014	2015
Traffic contacts	0	0	0
Field contacts	0	0	0
Asset Forfeiture	0	0	0

### Formal Grievances

Grievances	2013	2014	2015
Number	0	0	0

### Personnel Actions

	2013	2014	2015
Suspension	0	0	0
Demotion	0	0	0
Resign In Lieu of Termination	0	0	0
Termination	0	0	0
Other	0	0	1
Total	0	0	0
Commendations	0	0	0

### Complaints and Internal Affairs Investigations

External	2013	2014	2015
Citizen Complaint	0	0	0
Sustained	0	0	0
Not Sustained	0	0	0
Unfounded	0	0	0
Exonerated	0	0	0
Internal			
Directed complaint	0	0	0
Sustained	0	0	0
Not Sustained	0	0	0
Unfounded	0	0	0
Exonerated	0	0	0

### Use of Force

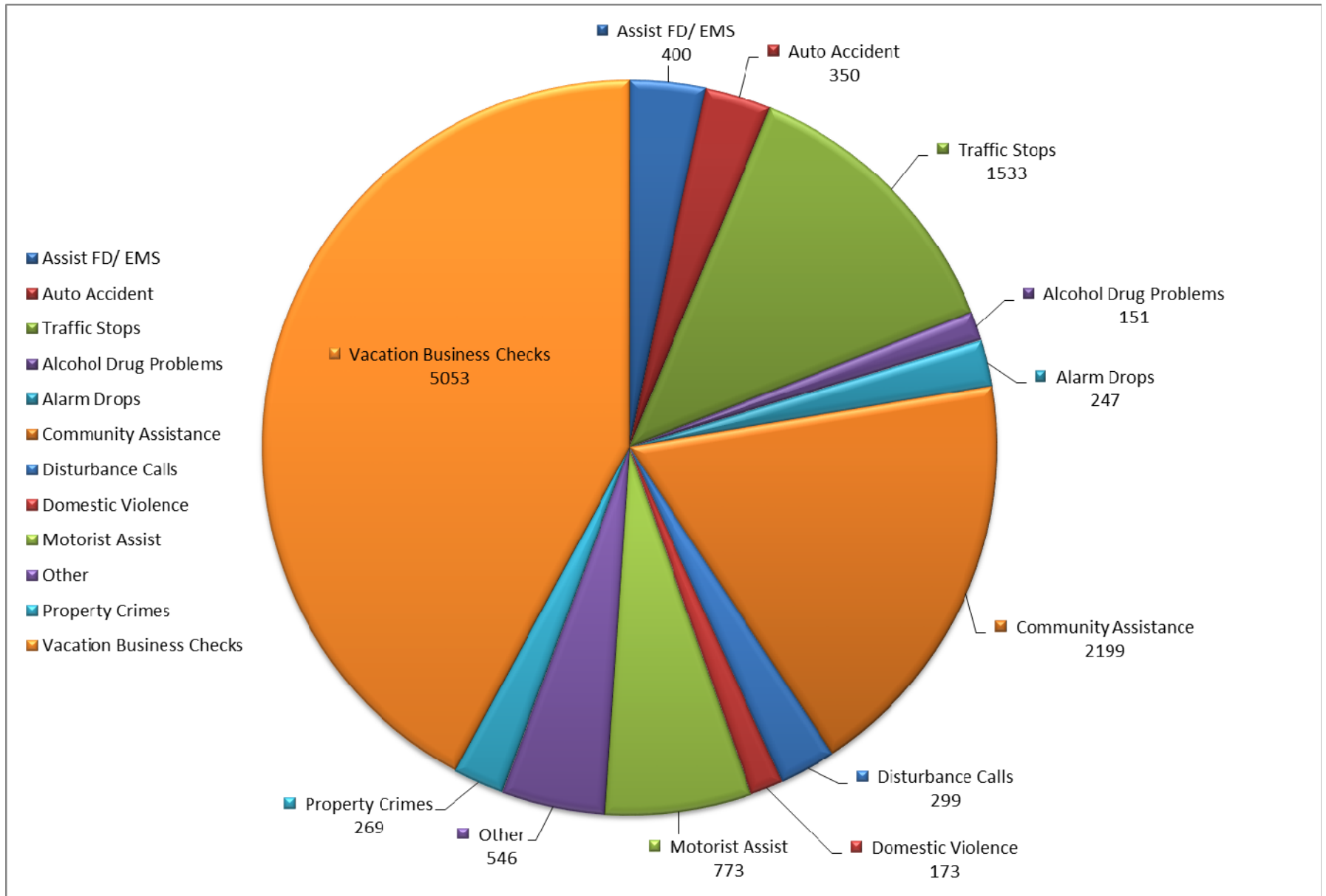
	2013	2014	2015
Firearm Total	10	13	12
Humans	0	0	0
Animals Euthanized	5	7	7
Firearms Displayed Only	5	6	5
ECW Total	4	3	1
Humans	0	1	0
Animals	0	0	0
ECW Displayed Only	4	2	1
Bean-Bag Shotgun	0	0	0
Baton	0	0	0
OC	0	0	0
Weaponless	7	4	5
Total Types of Force	21	20	18
Total Use of Force Arrests	12	9	7
Complaints	0	0	0
Total Agency Custodial Arrests	175	235	221
Stinger Spike System Usage	2	0	0

### Pursuits

PURSUIITS	2013	2014	2015
Total Pursuits	1	2	3
Vehicle Pursuit	0	1	1
Foot Pursuit	1	1	2
Terminated by agency	0	0	0
Policy Compliant	1	2	2
Policy Non-compliant	0	0	1
Accidents	0	1	0
Injuries:	0	0	0
Officer			
Suspects	0	0	0
Third Party	0	0	0
Traffic offense	0	1	1
Felony	0	0	1
Misdemeanor	1	0	1

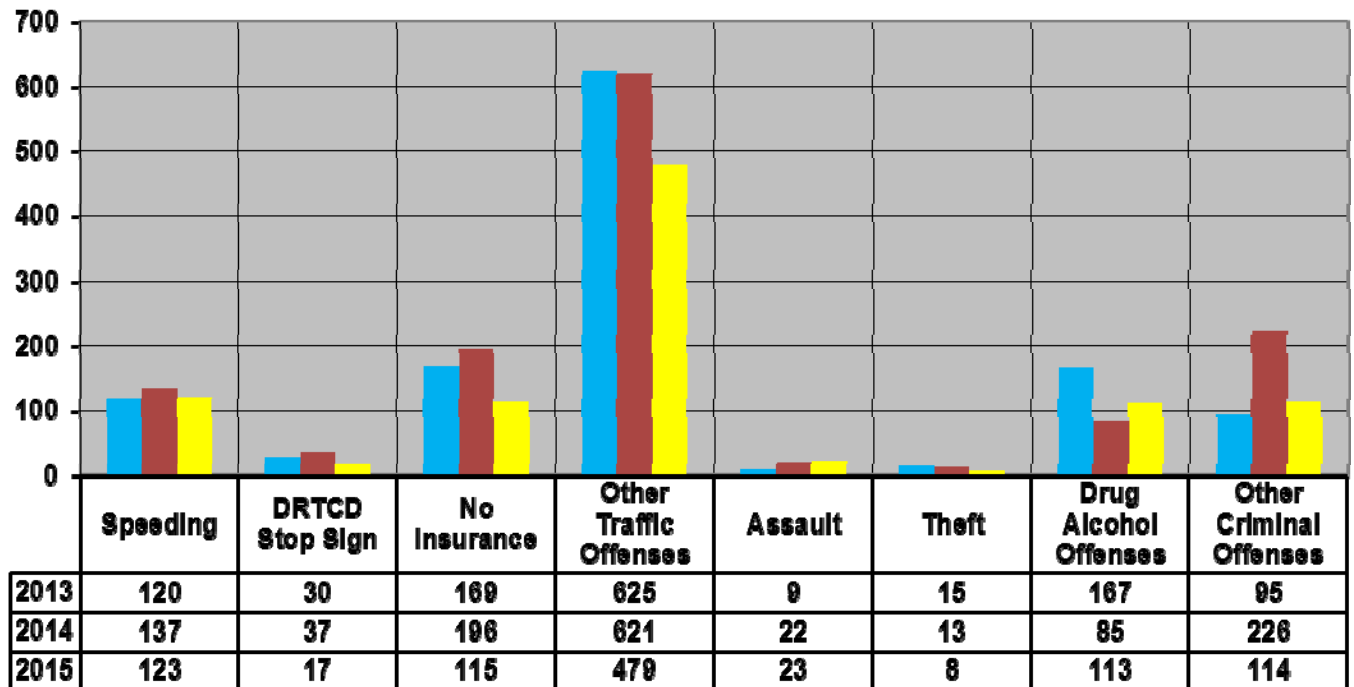
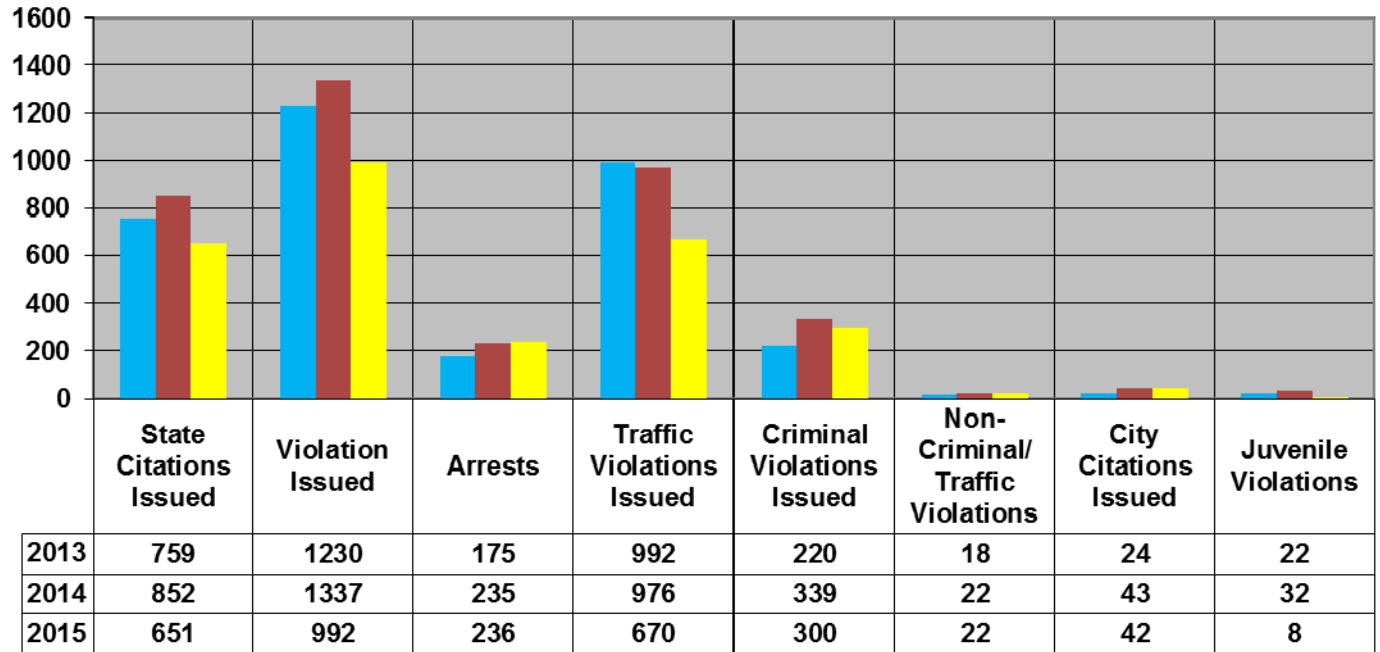
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## 2015 Calls for Service By Call Type



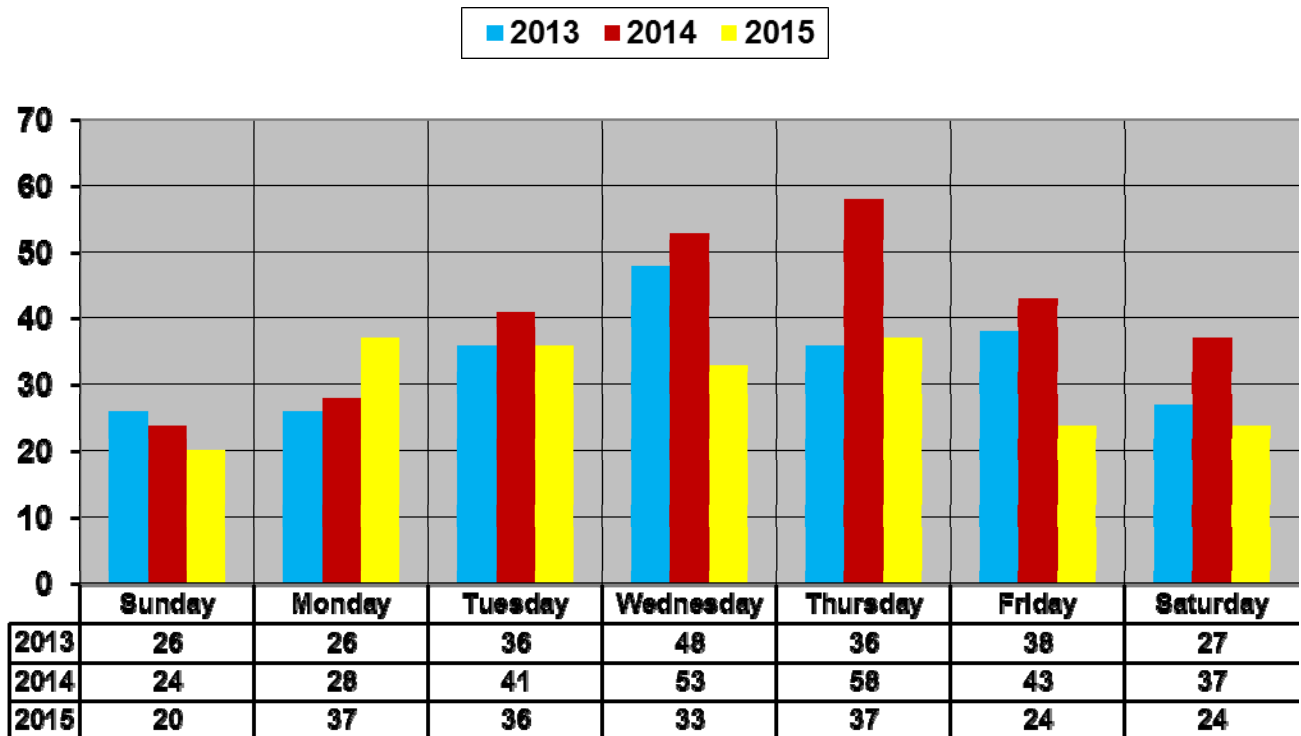
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## Kentucky State Violations Issued

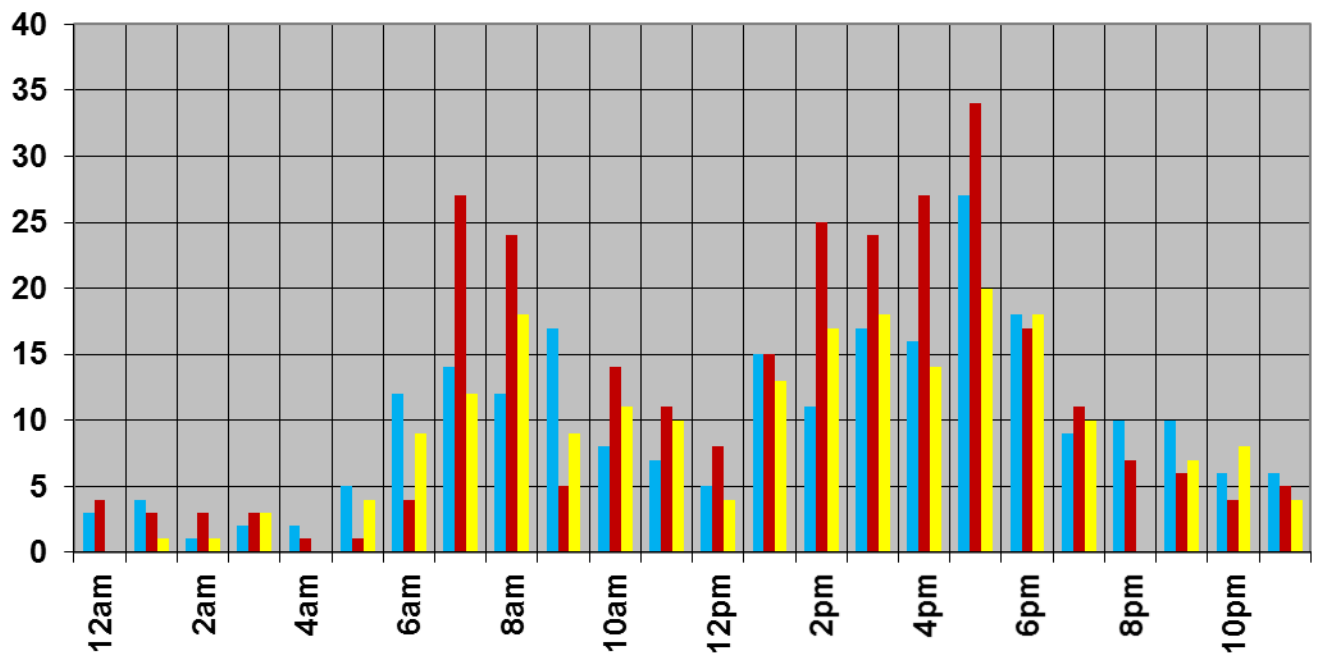


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## Traffic Collisions By Day of Week

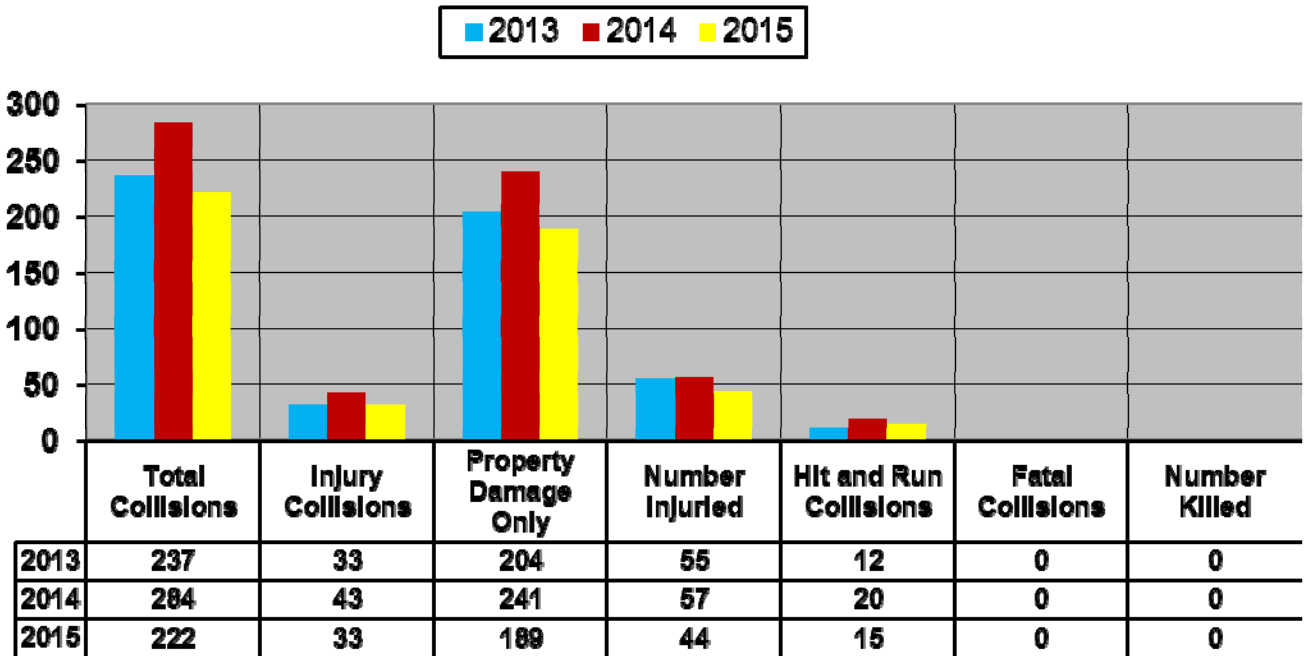


## Traffic Collisions By Time of Day

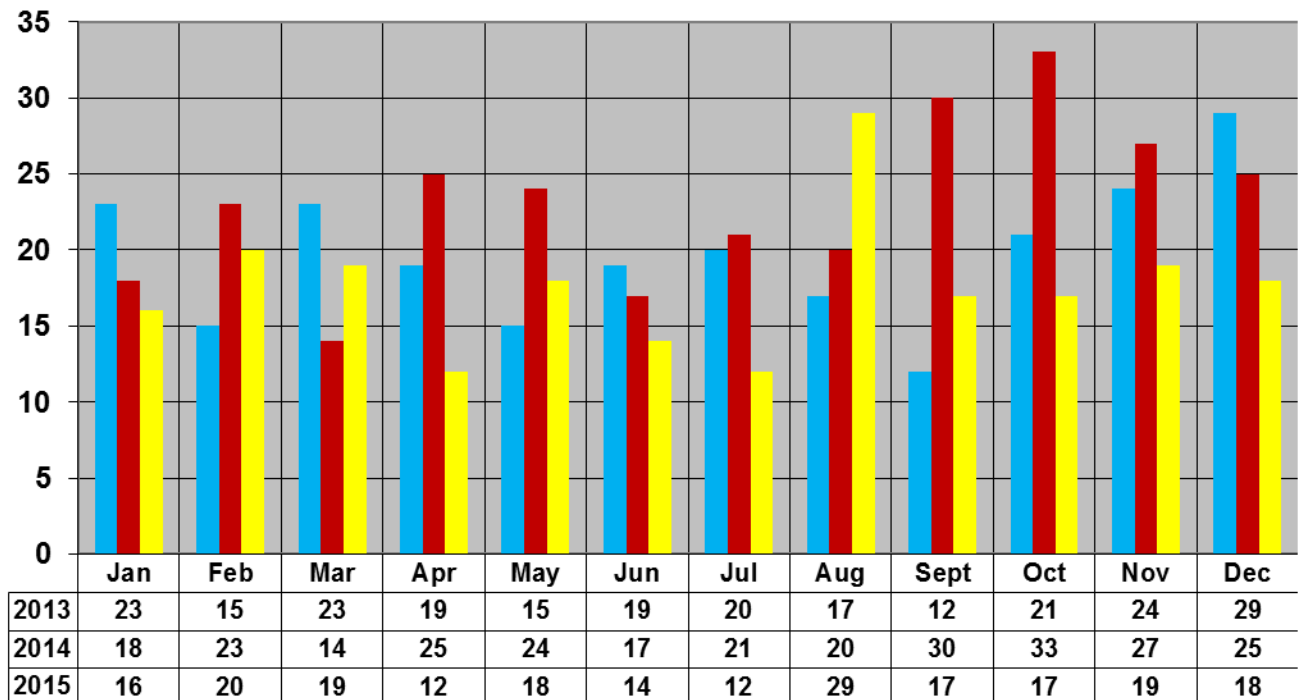


# Taylor Mill Police Department

## Traffic Collisions Comparison



## Collisions By Month



# Taylor Mill Police Department

## 2015 Community Events

The Taylor Mill Police Department partners with our community on a regular basis. Through various events, police officers, NEAT members, and citizens become better acquainted and established long-lasting relationships. As Taylor Mill grows and these events increase, so will the role of the department. Below are some of the events in which the police department participated.

### **Taylor Mill Park Fest**

Park Fest is in September and is held at the city's Pride Park. During this one-day event, the police department provides public safety services. Our NEAT team and Explorer's group also provides assistance to the department, teaming up with an officer in conducting traffic control and foot patrol. At the peak of festivities, thousands of people are in attendance to view the fireworks display.

### **Scott High School Homecoming Parade**

This annual event in the fall, tips off the high school football season. The police department provides public safety services which consists of mainly blocking off streets along the parade route. The parade staging and starting area is in the Mill Valley subdivision. The parade travels south on Taylor Mill Road to the south end of Old Taylor Mill Road. The parade then turns right onto Old Taylor Mill Road, heading northbound. It proceeds to the entrance of Scott High School, ending in the rear lot.

### **Seniors Group**

This group formed through the Recreation Department has partnered with the police to become informed on issues involving theft, scams, fraud, personal safety, and terrorism. The police department has instructed the group on an average of once every two to three months throughout the year.

### **Scott High School Events**

Scott High School calls on the Taylor Mill Police Department to provide public safety service for football, basketball and sometimes soccer games. Two officers are required for football games, one officers for basketball and soccer games. There are also two dances a school year; Homecoming Dance and the French Club Dance. Both events require 2-4 officers for public safety, depending on the amount of chaperones on hand.

### **All-Star Community Events**

The City of Taylor Mill was honored to be named one of ten greater Cincinnati communities to participate in conjunction with Major League Baseball and the Cincinnati Reds to host All-Star Events leading up to and including the All-Star Game. The city hosted two events, both open to the public and well attended, which included live music, food, drinks, and a large out-door digital screen on which the All-Star game was televised.

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## 2015 COMMUNITY PROGRAMS



Taylor Mill Police Officers take pride in the professional community relations that we share with our customers. The relationship is strengthened through joint training with TMPD officers, citizens and business owners. Five main programs are used to outreach/train citizen partners:

- 1. Neighborhood Block Watch** - These meetings provide communities within the city a better understanding of how to actively play a role in crime prevention in their area. Training tools such as videos and lectures are key ingredients in establishing strong Block Watch Programs throughout the city. The meetings may be held at the police headquarters, community center or at one of the Block Watch resident's home.
- 2. Business Block Watch** - The purpose of a Business Block Watch specifies training in business related crimes such as theft, employee crime, identity theft, and credit card fraud. Explaining to business owners and managers the best way to assist the police in business crime brings everyone together to focus on solving the crimes as quickly and precisely as possible.
- 3. Ride-A-Long Program** - A very popular form of training for citizens, the Ride-A-Long program provides a close look at police related events. The citizen rides with the officer in the police unit and is able to view traffic stops, domestic calls, thefts, report writing, etc. This gives the person an "up close and personal" perspective into police related incidents and the dynamics involved in each and every dispatched call.
- 4. Explorer Post** – Exploring is a unique career exploration program for young men and women ages 14-20. It provides students with an opportunity to learn about a wide variety of career fields and network with professionals already working in those fields. The Taylor Mill Police Department started its post in 2011 and currently has 10 active members with the hopes of expanding the program in the future. The Explorer Program is a division of the Boy Scouts of America. Members meet twice a month and will assist the police department at community events as well as attend competitions.
- 5. Facebook** - A profile site was also created on the social network site "Facebook". It is apparent that our residents use this feature and we have received positive feedback from the community. Topics included have been traffic information, crime prevention tips, holiday safety and Homeland Security updates plus many other interesting subject matter. To view our page, please visit: [www.facebook.com/Taylor-Mill-Police](http://www.facebook.com/Taylor-Mill-Police)

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## Police Explorers Program Post #2522



Law Enforcement Exploring is a worksite-based program for young men and women who have completed the ninth grade and are between 14 - 21 years of age. Our post is in its full fourth year and we currently have 10 youth.



The Explorer program help youths gain insight into a variety of programs that offer hands-on career activities. For young men and women who are interested in careers in the field of law enforcement, Explorers offers experiential learning with lots of fun-filled, hands-on activities that promote the growth and development of adolescent youths.

The Taylor Mill Police Explorer Program meets twice a month for training. A few of the topics that Explorers are trained in are:

- Crime Scene Search / Investigation
- Bomb Threat Response
- Building Entry and Search Techniques
- Accident Investigation
- Domestic Crisis Intervention
- Hostage Negotiation
- Traffic Stops
- Defensive Tactics/ Arrest Techniques



All Explorers that join, may participate in the Ride-Along Program with Taylor Mill Police Officers after a six-month probationary period, are 16 years of age and have passed all required tests. During a ride-along, Explorers will see first-hand what an officer's daily duties are. Explorers will see what happens on the street and assist officers with tasks such as paperwork, computer operations, and radio operation.

Explorers may also aid in investigations, crime scenes, and with traffic and crowd control in certain situations, with the necessary training. Explorers will also compete in local, regional, state and national competitions.



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## DRUG AWARENESS



**Photos of Heroin & Method of Uses**

**Photos of Heroin & Narcan in Patrol Vehicles**

Heroin continues to dominate the drug market in Northern Kentucky. To minimize the overdose issues within Taylor Mill, in December of 2015, officers received specialized training in the administration of Narcan. Narcan or Naloxone is used to reverse the effects of opioids, and is particularly effective in cases involving a heroin overdose. Quick response and intervention may prevent death, brain damage or other physical effects that could possibly be caused by the ingestion of heroin. When an officer receives a call for a possible overdose, they are able to respond in most cases, ahead of the medical staff, because our officers are already patrolling the city. Each of our patrol vehicles are equipped with 2 doses of Narcan that can be administered immediately once they determine an overdose is occurring. Used Narcan is subsequently replaced by the hospital at no cost to the agency or city. The effects of Narcan on an individual who has overdosed is almost immediate, however, those effects are only temporary and last for approximately 1 - 1 1/2 hours. This is why it is so important once the Narcan drug is administered; that the individual is taken to the hospital for continued treatment.

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## 2015 Significant Investigated Cases

In 2015, the Taylor Mill Police Department responded to 10,515 calls for service, of those, 326 criminal cases were investigated. The 326 investigated cases included, 116 felonies and 211 misdemeanors. The majority of felony cases opened were assault and theft related cases involving multiple suspects. The following are some of the more significant cases worked in 2015 or are still ongoing into 2016. **All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.**



**2015-1354** On 02/05/2015, Officer Harris and Sgt. Spanyer went to 720 Parkview for a several complaints called in by residents that narcotics were being sold from the home. Officer Harris and Sgt. Spanyer knocked on the door and asked Dean Snell if they could come in to speak with him about numerous complaints alleging drug activity at the residence. Once inside, both officers immediately noticed the strong odor of marijuana. After gaining Mr. Snell's permission to look around, Sgt. Spanyer searched the home and was able to eventually locate marijuana.

While continuing to search, officers further discovered numerous types and quantities of prescription pills along with cocaine. Mr. Snell was arrested, and subsequently sentenced to 6 years in prison.



**2015-1045** On 01/28/2015, Sergeant Reis received a complaint from a resident on Sharon Drive concerning a theft and fraud. The victim reported that she and her mother rented a home in Independence, KY from a subject who gave them both a fake name. The subject was later identified as Kenneth Townsend. After paying the first month's rent and a security deposit, they went to the home and discovered that it was never owned by Mr. Townsend, and that he had no right to rent it. To make matters worse, on the day of the move, Mr. Townsend volunteered

to help the victim's haul some of their property to the new location in his own truck, and disappeared with several thousand dollars of their property. Through the course of investigation and assistance from several different officers and agencies, Mr. Townsend was captured and extradited from Ohio back to Kentucky. Mr. Townsend was subsequently tried and convicted of 8 different felonies, and sentenced to 10 years in prison.

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**2015-2438** On 03/06/2015, Sergeant Spanyer received a complaint from a mother who was concerned that a resident of Taylor Mill was sending pornographic images to her underage daughter. The victim reported that she discovered the images on her daughter's cell phone from her ex-boyfriend Donald Soward. Mr. Soward also asked Ms. Field's daughter to take pictures of her own genital areas and send them back to him. Through the course of several conversations with the juvenile, Mr. Soward attempted to influence her to use drugs and

alcohol as well. Mr. Soward further requested that the victim's daughter keep quiet about their communications, and delete them so that nobody would discover what they were doing. With this information, Sgt. Spanyer began an investigation. Several search warrants were issued along with an arrest warrant for Mr. Soward. Mr. Soward decided to leave town when he found out that the police were looking for him, and it took several officers working together to capture him almost a month later. Sgt. Spanyer put together a solid case and presented it to the Commonwealth Attorney. Sgt. Spanyer charged Mr. Soward with Using an Electronic Device to Induce a Minor into a Sexual Act, Distributing Obscene Matter Portraying a Minor in a Sexual Performance, Possession of a Controlled Substance and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. On 10/30/2015 Mr. Soward decided that the evidence was overwhelming, and pled guilty. All the charges were merged, and Mr. Soward received 5 years in prison.

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## KENTUCKY STATE POLICE

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY



### Registry Search Disclaimer

The information contained in the sex/criminal offender registration database is primarily provided by the offender when they register with the Department of Corrections or the Division of Probation and Parole. This information is then forwarded to the Kentucky State Police for inclusion in the database. As such, the Kentucky State Police does not guarantee the accuracy of the information provided.

Also, it should be noted that offenders may have moved without notifying the Kentucky State Police or the Division of Probation and Parole of the change, even though it is a violation of the law. The database is updated on a daily basis, except for weekends and state holidays. All attempts are made to provide complete and accurate information.

Fill in one of the fields below then click the 'Search' button.



Last Name

City

County

ZIP Code

The Taylor Mill Police Department recently upgraded the policy on registered sex offender notifications. This was done in an effort to strengthen the relationship between the residents and police, and to provide for a safer community through communication. Furthermore, it puts registered sex offenders on notice that the citizens and police department work as a team when it comes to the safety of its residents.

The new policy requires immediate notification by mail when a sex offender moves into a neighborhood. It further requires an annual notification to the neighbors of a registered sex offender. The improvements to the current policy were made to keep new residents informed, and remind current residents about the possible dangers that exist. This is accomplished by mailing the flyer (which can be printed from the KSP website) that contains a picture, address and the offense committed by the offender.

Currently, the City of Taylor Mill has only three registered sex offenders residing within the city. The website is checked on a weekly basis and alerts are sent to the police administration when new registered sex offenders move within the area of Taylor Mill.

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## **PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE CONTROL**

Taylor Mill Police Policy and CALEA Standards for law enforcement agencies mandate strict measures for the receipt, handling, security and disposition of property/evidence. In order to maintain a high degree of evidentiary integrity over agency controlled property and evidence, the following documented inspections, inventory and audits shall be completed:

- a. An inspection to determine adherence to procedures used for the control of property is conducted semi-annually by the person responsible for and evidence control function or his/her designee:
- b. An inventory of property occurs whenever the property and evidence custodian is assigned to and/or transferred from the position and is conducted jointly by the newly designated property and evidence custodian and a designee of the Chief of Police to ensure that records are correct and properly annotated:
- c. An annual audit of property and evidence held by our agency is conducted by a supervisor not routinely or directly connected with control of property and evidence;
- d. An unannounced inspection of property storage areas is conducted, as directed by the police chief, at least once a year.

All property and evidence is entered into storage in a uniform manner, where each article is labeled and recorded in our computerized "Evidence Tracker System". Moreover, extra security measures are in place when handling and receiving items that are considered to be sensitive, high in value, or otherwise constituting an increase security risk. These types of precautions are taken when handling items such as money, precious metals, jewelry, firearms, weapons, drugs, blood and other body fluids.

TMPD is committed to adhering to the aforementioned standards, as we endeavor to provide full transparency to our internal and external stakeholders, our customers. We welcome your examination of our semi-annual inspection, annual audit, and unannounced inspection reports. Our intent is for our customers to have full faith and credit in your police department's ability to properly handle/manage the property and evidence that comes into our possession. Following, are the dates when inspections and audits transpired for the year 2015.

### **2015 Property and Evidence Inspections**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>TYPE INSPECTION</u></b>	<b><u>INSPECTING SUPERVISOR</u></b>
01/12/2015	Annual Audit	Chief S. Knauf
04/17/2015	Semi-Annual Inspection	Sgt. K. Spanyer
10/08/2015	Unannounced Inspection	Lt. R. Wilson
10/22/2015	Unannounced Inspection	Sgt. K. Spanyer

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## 2015 Department Training



In 2015, Taylor Mill Police Officers received a combined total of 788 hours of training. This is in addition to the combined total of over 158 years of law enforcement experience that our department currently has. The training listed below includes bi-annual 8 hours of firearms qualification that every officer receives. In order to remain current with previous and new techniques, officers are sent to a variety of classes. Below is a list by officer of the total hours of in-house training and DOCJT (Department of Criminal Justice Training) training in 2015.

<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>IN-HOUSE</u>	<u>DOCJT</u>	<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>IN-HOUSE</u>	<u>DOCJT</u>
<u>Knauf</u>	20	40	<u>Wilson</u>	24	40
<u>Reis</u>	24	52	<u>Spanver</u>	24	52
<u>Bailey</u>	24	44	<u>Mitchell</u>	23	52
<u>Honchell</u>	23	44	<u>Potts</u>	23	52
<u>Harris</u>	23	52	<u>Mills</u>	27	60
<u>Lyon</u>	23	40	<u>Meyer</u>	2	0

Total In-House Training: **252 hours**

Total DOCJT Training: **528 hours**

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## 2015 City Paid Details

The City of Taylor Mill provides many programs for our community, such as Park Fest, Friday Night Flicks, and the Easter Egg Hunt. Each of these events requires the Taylor Mill Police Department to provide public safety, security, and/or traffic control. To reduce the impact these events have upon our regular responsibilities and to provide the best customer service to our residents, these events are staffed with off-duty officers. The off-duty officers are compensated at their overtime rate and for safety concerns we require a minimum of two officers for most events.

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DETAIL</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>TOTAL HOURS</u>
July	All-Star Event	5	25
July	Taste of Taylor Mill	3	15
September	Parkfest	11	110
September	Homecoming	11	22
December	Santa Escort	2	8
TOTAL OFFICERS / HOURS		32	180

TOTAL NON CITY FUNDED:  
HOURS: 35

# **Taylor Mill Police Department**

## **2015 Grant Information**

In an effort to reduce the ever increasing costs of law enforcement, the Taylor Mill Police Department continuously applies for available grant money through private and government foundations. In 2015, Patrolmen James Mills applied for and received over \$22,000.00 in various grants for the police department to purchase equipment and supplement our overtime budget.

### **Kentucky Office of Highway Safety Traffic Enforcement**

**Award Dates:** November 2014 thru October 2015

**Award Amount:** \$8500.00

**Grant Specifics:** This grant is used to pay officers overtime for traffic enforcement throughout the city. The grant expects a minimum of productivity while working the overtime and our officers always exceeded the minimum standards.

### **Kentucky Office of Highway Safety Traffic Enforcement**

**Award Dates:** November 2015 thru October 2016

**Award Amount:** \$10,500.00

**Grant Specifics:** This grant is used to pay officers overtime for traffic enforcement throughout the city. The grant expects a minimum of productivity while working the overtime and our officers always exceeded the minimum standards.

### **Bulletproof Vest Partnership**

**Award Date:** April 2015

**Award Amount:** \$3,804.44

**Grant Specifics:** This grant was used to help offset the cost of replacing 6 bulletproof vest that had expired for officers of the Taylor Police Department.



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## 2015 Major Purchases / Equipment Report

The Taylor Mill Police Department makes major purchases throughout the year to stay current with changes in technology and/or to replace/update equipment. The police administration has always attempted to forecast the necessity for these purchases through the budgetary process and by seeking available grant money to augment initial costs.

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>COST</u>
2/26/15	Taser cartridges	559.96
3/27/15	Ballistic vest	770.00
3/27/15	2015 Ford Utility cruiser (715-15)	26,542.81
5/26/15	Complete cruiser install (715-15)	4,393.98
7/29/15	Evidence Tracker Software	800.00
8/21/15	(5) X26P Tasers & battery packs	6,306.75
8/20/15	2016 Ford Utility cruiser (715-16)	27,284.00
9/15/15	Ammunition	1,317.56
9/11/15	5x8 Cargo Trailer	1,788.00
11/4/15	Server, software body cameras	2,025.41
11/25/15	Complete cruiser install (716-16)	8,510.86
12/16/15	6 Ballistic vests	4,555.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$84,854.33</b>

### **Not actually paid for yet:**

9/4/15	12 VieVu body cams plus dock station	\$10,455.00
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**2015**

## **Vehicle Purchase, Maintenance & Fuel Report**

The Taylor Mill Police Department has 12 staff members which is comprised of the Chief, Lieutenant, Sergeant/Detective, Sergeant, Specialist, 6 patrol officers, one of which is the School Resource Officer, and 1 Administrative Assistant. There are 13 vehicles in the fleet which includes eleven patrol vehicles, one spare cruiser and one detective car. With continuous, 24 hour patrol, these vehicles incur a lot of wear and tear. We recycle cruisers every 5 years or at approximately 100,000 miles. We purchased new software for our Fleet Maintenance program, (Vinity Soft 3.0 Edition 2.2.0.135) in 2013, which is very helpful in tracking the maintenance and keeping an approximate cost per vehicle.

<u>Officers</u>	<u>Cruiser</u>	<u>Year/Model</u>	<u>Mileage</u> (Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup> )	
			<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
Chief Knauf	700-14	2014 Dodge Charger	15,887	31,774
Lt. Wilson	702-12	2012 Dodge Charger	23,037	30,520
Sgt. Spanyer	707-10	2010 Dodge Charger	44,230	58,275
Investigator	701	2009 Dodge Charger	79,922	87,813
Sgt. Reis	711-07	2007 Ford Expedition	74,425	80,931
Officer Bailey	716-16	2016 Ford Explorer Utility		2,746
Officer Mitchell	710-06	2006 Ford Expedition	71,151	75,455
Officer Honchell	709-14	2014 Ford Explorer Utility	16,211	29,768
Officer Mills	712-11	2011 Dodge Charger	45,246	58,287
Officer Lyon	708-11	2011 Dodge Charger	52,238	67,440
Officer Potts	715-15	2015 Ford Explorer Utility		12,766
Officer Harris	714-15	2015 Ford Explorer Utility	5,497	21,154
Spare	706	2005 Ford Crown Vic.	99,828	102,004

### Maintenance and Repairs (including purchases) January 2015-December 2015

	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
Oil Changes	\$ 900.68	\$ 720.10	\$ 844.51
Repairs	\$ 11,372.10	\$10,680.79	\$ 8,326.47
Tires	\$ 3,958.21	\$ 1,125.24	\$ 1,948.76
Misc. fees (includes purchases)	\$ 57,291.58	\$35,431.71	\$63,712.67
Fuel (January – December)	\$ 35,643.83	\$36,492.30	\$23,627.49
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$109,166.40</b>	<b>\$84,450.14</b>	<b>\$98,459.90</b>

### INSURANCE CLAIMS

**TOTAL                                    \$ 0**