



Memorandum

To: Shea Charles, City Manager
From: George Basar, Police Chief
Date: March 27, 2018
Subject: Monthly Departmental Report – February 2018

Below is a statistical report of the Howell Police Department for the Month of February 2018:

CALLS FOR POLICE SERVICE

Officers responded to 723 calls for police service.

The Howell Police Department prides itself on a proactive rather than reactive philosophy of policing. This *preventative* approach is reflected in the Calls for Service in February 2018:

- Building Checks at 144 (in which 9 buildings were found open);
- Assist EMS at 70;
- Foot Patrols at 69;
- Area Checks at 48;
- Assist Non-Law Enforcement Agency at 47.

Further, Officers responded to:

- Suspicious Activity at 39 (29 Suspicious Situations, 7 Suspicious Vehicles, and 3 Suspicious Persons);
- Citizen Assists at 34;
- Motorists Assists at 24;
- Civil Matter/Family Trouble at 18;
- Welfare Checks at 17.

Criminally, Howell Police Officers addressed:

- 12 Assault and Battery Complaints;*
- 4 Drove While Licenses Suspended or Revoked;
- 4 Threats General;
- 3 Violation of Controlled Substance Act (VCSA);
- 2 Fraud – False Pretense / Swindle / Confidence Game.

**The OSSI system does not differentiate between the Assault and Battery that involved a domestic relationship and an Assault and Battery under non-domestic circumstances. To date, the Livingston County Information Technology, which owns and manages the system has not provided that level of functionality.*

ARRESTS

Overall, the department executed 20 physical arrests comparative to 23 in February 2017. These arrests include: Eight (8) Assault and Battery arrests, Seven (7) Obstruction of Justice arrests, three (3) Retail Fraud – Theft 3rd Degree arrests, and two (2) other arrests.

WARRANTS REQUESTED

During the month of February, the Howell Police Department submitted 41 warrant requests to the Prosecutor’s Office and the City Attorney. Of the cases submitted, 31 criminal/traffic charges were obtained, which includes 24 misdemeanor offenses and 7 felony offenses. 10 resulted in no charges.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT/TRAFFIC CRASHES

Traffic Enforcement:

Howell Police Officers initiated 132 traffic stops. Of those traffic stops, officers issued a total of 98 Uniform Traffic Citations (UTC).

The top 5 citations issued are as follows:

- Speeding 1-10 Over Posted Limit at 23;
- Expired Plates at 14;
- Disobey Traffic Control Device at 10;
- Fail to Stop within Assured Clear Distance at 8;
- Defective Equipment Violations at 7.

During February 2018, Officers issued 103 parking citations.

Year	UTC	Parking
2018	98	103
2017	92	101

Traffic Crashes:

On the traffic crash side, Howell Police Officers responded to a total of 37 traffic crashes, of which 23 are reportable*:

PIA	PDA – Traffic Area	PDA Non-Traffic Area	Accident – Hit and Run
4	18	14	1

**Property Damage Accident – non-traffic area occur on private property and therefore are not reportable*

DEPARTMENTAL STATISTICS

The following is an analysis of Departmental productivity on a shift level. These statistics have been forwarded to the sergeants to assist them in their decision making process with regard to staffing and personnel deployment.

A breakdown by shift is as follows:

Shift	Reports	Arrests	Citations	Parking Citations
Days A	194	3	24	40
Midnights B	237	8	26	10
Days C	121	5	27	19
Midnights D	158	2	21	25
Other*	13	2	0	9
Total	723	20	98	103

*Other includes Criminal Investigations, LAWNET Officer and Desk Personnel.

This data can be refined to averages per shift, per day:

Shift	Reports	Arrests	Citations	Parking Citations
Days A	6.3	0.1	0.8	1.3
Midnights B	7.6	0.3	0.8	0.3
Days C	3.9	0.2	0.9	0.6
Midnights D	5.1	0.1	0.7	0.8

RESIDENTIAL VACATION CHECKS

During the month of February 2018, 684 Residential Vacation Checks were conducted.

SPECIAL EVENTS

There were no Special Events occurring in Howell during the month of February, 2018.

TRAINING

- On February 1, Sgt's Woods, Kelleher, Fogo and Dunn, and Officers Charlick, Lorenz, Vallance, Vanbuskirk, Lockhart, Small, Briggs attended Investigating Strangulation training.
- On February 5-9, Detective Kobel and Sgt. Dunn attended L.O.C.K.U.P. training.
- On February 7, Officer Nash attended Investigation Strangulation training.
- On February 17, Officer Vanbuskirk attended Preliminary Breath Tests training/certification.
- On February 20, Sgt, Kelleher attended LEIN Field Services training.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

During the month of January, the SRO responded to 10 calls for police service, authored 3 non-criminal reports and 7 criminal reports. In addition to the above reports, the SRO delivered 6 presentations to students, participated in 2 LOCKDOWN drills and issued 9 parking tickets.

LAWNET

The Officer assigned to LAWNET reported a productive month. A calculation of his weekly reports determined that during the month of February the following were seized:

- 80 doses of Hydrocodone;
- 20 doses of LSD;
- 1.7 pounds of Marijuana Medibles;
- 10 doses of MDMA (MOLLY);
- 3.85 ounces of Marijuana;
- 8.5 grams of Psilocybin Mushrooms;
- 6.13 grams of Heroin;
- 1.53 grams of Crack Cocaine;
- 1 dose of Amphetamine.

The LAWNET Officer reports 13 new investigations were opened and 7 arrests were executed. Two (2) illegal Knives were also seized.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

The Detective Bureau is currently assigned 8 active investigations. During the month, the Detective closed five (5) of the investigations. The five closed investigations were: one (1) Embezzlement, one (1) Suspicious Situation investigation, one (1) Criminal Sexual Conduct Investigation, one (1) Home invasion investigation and one (1) Larceny investigation.

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

On February 2nd, LAWNET officers observed a vehicle with an improper plate enter Howell City. HPD was notified and an HPD Officer performed a traffic stop on the vehicle in Howell City. The driver was found to have a felony warrant for dangerous drugs out of White Lake Police Department. Nothing illegal was located on the suspect or in the vehicle. The suspect was taken into custody and was turned over to White Lake PD.

On February 5th, Howell Officers were dispatched to a possible domestic assault. Howell Officers arrived to find the caller had placed a couch in front of the door to keep her boyfriend from entering the apartment. However, the boyfriend was able to gain entry and was sitting in a chair. Officers determined the boyfriend had followed the female victim home and had assaulted her and strangled her. The victim was reluctant to tell officers what happened. The male was arrested and charged with aggravated assault.

On February 10th, Officers were dispatched to a cardiac arrest. Dispatch stated that the subject was hanging and the caller could not get the door open. Howell Officers arrived and found a 35 year old male subject hanging from the door. Officers untied the subject and lowered him to the floor. At this time, Howell Area Fire Department arrived on scene and called it a death by protocol. Howell Officers then completed a death investigation. Nothing suspicious found, subject had a long history of mental illness and depression.

On February 10th, Howell Officers were dispatched to a physical domestic violence call. The investigation determined the male and female subjects had been drinking and arguing. The male subject subsequently grabbed a plant and hit the female with it, he then strangled the female. The male was arrested and lodged for aggravated assault.

On February 13th, Officers were dispatched for an overdose to a residence on Michigan avenue. A female had overdosed and regained consciousness upon being treated by EMS. The female advised she had used heroin. She was transported to the hospital for further medical treatment.

On February 16th, Officers responded to the Rite Aid for a retail fraud. An adult female was at the store and had been caught concealing merchandise. The store employee advised she watched the suspect placing items into her purse. The suspect was arrested and taken to the Livingston County Jail. Charges for retail fraud were authorized by the prosecutor's office.

On February 19th, LАWNET officers conducted surveillance on a suspect in Howell City who was known to have multiple warrants out for his arrest. At the request of LАWNET, Howell officers initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle that the suspect was a passenger in. Officers took the suspect into custody without incident. The suspect was lodged at the Livingston County jail.

On February 22nd, LАWNET officers were conducting surveillance in Howell City and observed a vehicle with an improper plate. LАWNET notified the Howell Police Department and officers arrived in the area to assist. Howell Officers initiated a traffic stop on the vehicle. The driver was found to have four warrants out of Livingston County as well as a suspended license. Officers lodged the driver at the Livingston County Jail. The passenger was found to be the registered owner of the vehicle. Officers issued her misdemeanor citations for improper plates and operating without insurance.