



Memorandum

To: Shea Charles, City Manager
From: George Basar, Police Chief
Date: February 9, 2015
Subject: Monthly Departmental Report – January 2015

Below is a statistical report of the Howell Police Department for the Month of January, 2015:

CALLS FOR POLICE SERVICE

Officers responded to 816 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 January, 2015:

- Building Checks at 163 (in which 11 buildings were found open);
- Assist EMS at 75;
- Foot Patrols at 68;
- Suspicious Activity at 66 (39 Suspicious Situations, 17 Suspicious Persons and 10 Suspicious Vehicles);
- Citizen Assists at 46;

Further, Officers:

- Investigated 37 Traffic Crashes (23 Non-Injury Crashes, 10 Non-Traffic Area Crashes, 3 Injury Crashes and 1 Hit and Run Crash);
- Responded to 36 Motorist Assists;
- Investigated 32 Area Checks;
- Assisted Non- Law Enforcement Agencies 31 times;
- Responded to 26 Welfare Checks.

Criminally, Howell Police Officers addressed:

- 11 Warrant Arrest complaints;
- 8 Assault and Battery Complaints;*
- 7 Larceny complaints (4 Larceny From Motor Vehicle, 2 Larceny From Building, 1 Larceny Other);
- 6 Drove While License Suspended or Revoked
- 3 Improper Expired License Plate

**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 26 physical arrests comparative to 30 in January, 2014. These arrests include 9 Obstructing Justice Arrests, 6 Warrant Arrests, 3 Assault and Battery – Domestic, 2 Operating While Intoxicated Arrests and 6 other types of arrests.

WARRANTS REQUESTED

During the month of January, the Howell Police Department submitted 43 warrant requests to the Prosecutor’s Office and the City Attorney. Of the cases submitted, 40 criminal/traffic charges were obtained, which includes 33 misdemeanor offenses and 7 felony offenses. 3 charges were denied.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT/TRAFFIC CRASHES

Traffic Enforcement:

Howell Police Officers initiated 147 traffic stops. Of those traffic stops, officers issued a total of 108 Uniform Traffic Citations (UTC) in January.

The top 5 citations issued are as follows:

- Expired Plates at 19;
- Defective Equipment Violations at 19;
- Speeding 1-10 Over Posted Limit at 16;
- No Proof of Insurance at 9;
- Disobey Traffic Control Devices at 7.

During January, 2015, Officers issued 90 parking citations.

Year	UTC	Parking
2015	108	90
2014	149	117

Traffic Crashes:

On the traffic crash side, Howell Police Officers responded to a total of 37 traffic crashes, of which 27 are reportable*:

PIA	PDA – Traffic Area	PDA Non-Traffic Area	Accident – Hit and Run
3	23	10	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.

A breakdown by shift is as follows:

Shift	Reports	Arrests	Citations
Midnights	244	17	34
Days	309	6	29
Afternoons	254	3	45
Other*	9	0	0
Total	816	26	108

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

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

Shift	Reports	Arrests	Citations
Midnights	7.9	.05	1.1
Days	10.0	.2	.9
Afternoons	8.2	.1	1.5

RESIDENTIAL VACATION CHECKS

During the month of January 2015, 226 Residential Vacation Checks were conducted.

SPECIAL EVENTS

There were no Special Events occurring in Howell during the month of January, 2015.

TRAINING

- On January 12 – 13, Officers Banfield and Dunn attended Taser Instructor training.
- On January 20 – 21, Officers Banfield and Miller attended Social Media Investigation training.
- On January 26 – 27, Officers Lockhart and Dunn attended Every Officer a Leader training.
- On January 27 – 28, Sgt Woods and Officer Burke attended Standardized Field Sobriety Test training.
- On January 29, Sgt’s Kelleher and Fogo attended First Line Supervisor training.

LAWNET

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

- 151.8 grams of Marijuana
- 51.5 grams of Marijuana Clones
- 0.1 Grams of Marijuana Wax
- 1.2 grams of MOLLY/MDMA
- 0.3 grams of Crack Cocaine
- 4.8 grams of Cocaine
- 1.8 grams of Heroin
- 90 Pills/Doses of Vicodin
- 26 Pills/Doses of Acetaminophen Hydrocodone
- 13 Pills/Doses of Hydroxyzine
- 10 Pills/Doses of Methadone
- 36 Pills/Doses of Tramadol
- 14 Pills/Doses of Carisoprodol
- 2 Pills/Doses of Methylphenidate Hydrochloride

The LAWNET officer reports 14 new investigations were opened and 7 arrests were executed.

Items of interest:

On January 8th, officers took a report of “sexting” between four fourteen year old students from the Howell Freshmen Campus. The “Sexting” occurred off campus during the Thanksgiving holiday break. The investigation found that the subjects were texting nude photos of themselves back and forth to each other. The subjects were interviewed and all of the photographs had been deleted. The case was turned over to prosecutor’s office for review.

On January 9th, LAWNET officers conducted an investigation in the City of Howell for a possible marijuana violation. LAWNET executed a search warrant at the residence and confiscated two (2) long guns, mushrooms and Marijuana.

On January 9th, LAWNET officers responded to an apartment complex in the City of Howell at management’s request. Management requested assistance with drug transactions occurring in the parking lots of the complex. Investigation continues.

On January 11th, officers took a report of an attempted fraud at a local residence. The victim reported that an unknown subject called her advising that he was a Howell Police Officer. He told her that she had a warrant for her arrest and that she needed to pay \$450.00 dollars immediately to avoid arrest. He instructed her to obtain a money card and to call him back. Officer did a search warrant on the telephone number and it came back as a prepaid phone with no record of who had purchased it or where. Complaint remains under investigation.

On January 14th, LAWNET officers responded to the City of Howell to meet with management of an apartment complex who recovered suspected narcotics from an apartment that was vacant/in the process of the eviction process. LAWNET officers recovered marijuana, Methylphenidate hydrochloride, carisoprodol, tramadol and acetaminophen hydrocodone. Investigation continues.

On January 14th, Officers were dispatched to a welfare check at an apartment complex in Howell City. The caller reported hearing yelling and screaming and a female yelling for someone to stop. After officers arrived they made contact at the apartment and a male subject came to the door. He would only open the door a small distance and look out. He would not talk to officers and was yelling for them to leave. A roommate came out and was talking to officers. The first male then came out into the hallway. He was highly intoxicated and being loud and disruptive. The intoxicated male assaulted the roommate while the roommate spoke with officers. Officers had to wrestle with the intoxicated male to get him into custody. He then would not walk to the patrol car and had to be carried to the car. He was subsequently charged with domestic assault and two counts of Resisting and Obstructing.

On January 27th, LAWNET officers received information that a suspect in Livingston County was traveling to the City of Detroit to purchase crack cocaine. LAWNET officers also learned that the suspect was traveling with an elderly male. It's further noted the suspect was using the elderly male for his social security check, retirement check and the scraping of his farm equipment to purchase narcotics. LAWNET officers set up surveillance on I-96 and were able to locate the suspect traveling back to Livingston County. Traffic stop was conducted in the Howell area. Crack cocaine was located inside the vehicle. Suspect was lodged at the LCJ for possession of crack cocaine and DWLS. An investigation into Elderly Abuse was also initiated.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

The Detective Bureau is currently assigned 12 active investigations. During the month, the Detective closed six (6) of the investigations. The six closed investigations were: Two (2) Criminal Sexual Conduct Investigations, One (1) Unlawful Driving Away an Automobile (UDAA), one (1) Suspicious Situation Investigation, one (1) Assist to The Department of Homeland Security with a Child Pornography Investigation and one (1) Death Investigation determined to be an overdose.