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City of Howell
Police Department

Memorandum

To: Shea Charles, City Manager
From: George Basar, Police Chief
Date: December 15, 2014
Subject: Monthly Report – November 2014

Below is a statistical report of the Howell Police Department for the month of November, 2014:

CALLS FOR 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 November, 2014:

- Building Check at 176 (in which 10 were found open);
- Citizen Assist 70;
- Assisted EMS 61;
- Foot Patrols 55;
- Area Checks 40.

Further, Officers responded to:

- Suspicious Activity 45 times: (35 Suspicious Situations, 7 Suspicious Person, and 3 Suspicious Vehicles)
- 26 Accidents, PDA – Traffic Area;
- 25 Assists to Non-Law Enforcement Agencies;
- 24 Welfare Checks;
- 19 Alarms – False Activation.

Criminally, Howell Police Officers addressed:

- 12 Larceny Complaints (7 Larceny of personal Property From Motor Vehicle, 2 Larceny theft from a building, 2 Larceny from grounds and 1 Larceny Other);
- 11 Assault complaints;
- 7 Driving While License Suspended complaints;
- 3 Warrant Arrests;
- 3 Criminal Sexual Conduct Complaints.

**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.*

ARRESTS

Overall, the department executed 15 physical arrests. These arrests include 6 Obstructing Justice Arrests, 4 Assault & Battery Arrests, 2 Driving on Suspended License, 2 Warrant Arrest and 1 Violation of Controlled Substance (VCSA) Arrest.

WARRANTS REQUESTED

During the month of November, the Howell Police Department submitted 44 warrant requests to the Prosecutor's Office and the City Attorney. Of the cases submitted, 30 criminal/traffic charges were obtained, which includes 25 misdemeanor offenses and 5 felony offenses. 14 cases resulted in no charges.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT/TRAFFIC CRASHES

Traffic Enforcement:

In November, Howell Police Officers completed 125 traffic stops. Of those traffic stops, Howell Officers issued a total of 116 Uniform Traffic Citations (UTC).

The top 5 citations issued are as follows:

- Speeding 1-10 over limit at 25;
- Defective Equipment Violations at 21;
- Expired License Plate at 20;
- No Proof of Insurance at 7;
- Drove While License Suspended/Denied, Revoked at 6.

In the month of November, Howell Officers issued 67 parking citations.

Traffic Crashes:

On the crash side, Howell Police Officers responded to a total of 43 traffic crashes, of which 33 are reportable*.

PIA	PDA-Traffic Area	PDA Non-Traffic Area	Accident-Hit and Run
6	26	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.

A breakdown by shift is as follows:

Shift	Reports	Arrests	Citations	Parking Citations
Midnights	242	4	45	13
Days	271	8	41	47
Afternoons	293	3	30	7
Other*	10	0	0	0
Total	816	15	116	67

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

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

Shift	Reports	Arrests	Citations	Parking Citations
Midnights	8.1	0.1	1.5	0.4
Days	9.0	0.3	1.4	1.6
Afternoons	9.8	0.1	1.0	0.2

RESIDENTIAL VACATION CHECKS

During the month of November, Howell Officers conducted 11 Residential Vacation checks.

SPECIAL EVENTS

On November 28th, the 31st annual Fantasy of Lights parade was held in downtown Howell. This annual event is managed by the Howell Chamber of Commerce and is traditionally held on the Friday after Thanksgiving.

This event caused the closure of Grand River Avenue from 1700 – 2200 hours for the Fantasy 5; which is a 5k race and the parade.

Sgt. Fogo was the departmental representative for this event. Throughout the year he attended planning meetings and he facilitated the Department's involvement well. Officers and volunteers from the Community Emergency Response Team were stationed at traffic points and pedestrian crossing points to ensure safety for all and the smooth management of traffic.

The entire cost to the department was \$7,682.01.

TRAINING

During the month of November, officers attended the following training;

- On November 6th, Sgt. Kelleher attended Speed Measurement Instructor Training.

DETECTIVE BUREAU

The Detective Bureau is currently assigned 13 active investigations. During the month, the Detective closed five (5) of the investigations. The five closed investigations were: Two (2) Criminal Sexual Conduct Investigations, One (1) Fraud Investigation, one (1) threats / Intimidation Investigation; and one (1) Assist Citizen Investigation.

LAWNET

The LAWNET Officer reported a slow month with the following seizures:

- 2.4 grams of Marijuana;
- 1.5 grams of Heroin
- 1 Dose / Pill of Trazodome
- 2 Doses / Pills of an unknown synthetic substance.

Additionally, 9 investigations were initiated and 4 arrests were executed.

Events of Interest:

- On November 3rd, LAWNET officers conducted surveillance in the Howell City area in response to a tip that 2 known narcotics users were going to be uptown Howell and possibly using Marijuana. During the surveillance activities, LAWNET officers located 2 different known users. Those two were followed into Fowlerville where a traffic stop was conducted. During the stop, Fowlerville Police made arrests on the 2 subjects on outstanding warrants.
- On November 4th, LAWNET officers assisted Howell Police with a Traffic Stop on a subject who has been a surveillance target by LAWNET. The subject is known to be involved in the local Heroin trade. He was found to be DWLS and in Possession of Marijuana. The subject did not want to provide accurate info to LAWNET. He was lodged by Howell PD and the case was carried by Howell PD.
- On November 24th, LAWNET officers conducted surveillance in the Genoa Twp. area which led to continuous surveillance on a target that was believed to be attempting Retail Fraud throughout the Brighton and Howell area. LAWNET officers observed the suspects pick up additional subjects in the Howell City area and travel to local retailers attempting to return property that was found to be stolen. Officers were able to coordinate with Loss Prevention officers at the businesses during the exchanges to gather information and coordinate return refusals. The suspects then were observed actually committing a Retail Fraud in Genoa Twp. at which time LAWNET officers conducted a takedown on the suspects. After gathering all information from the involved businesses, all property, and coordinating with the Livingston County Prosecutors office, charges are being sought for Organized Retail Fraud against all suspects. The investigation led to the discovery of several other thefts at the businesses showing that this is an on-going criminal enterprise. Their interviews detailed their purpose of returning stolen items for gift cards which would be traded in the Detroit area for Heroin. Of the 5 suspects, all were released pending warrants except for one who was lodged on out of county warrants.