

# OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY 2018 ANNUAL REPORT



JAMESTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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# MESSAGE FROM CHIEF SNELLINGS

On behalf of the Jamestown Police Department, I am pleased to deliver the 2018 annual report. This document presents an overview of the hard work and dedicated service provided by our officers to the Jamestown community.

In 2018, the City of Jamestown had a slight decrease in our Part I Index Total Crime rate with a 3.96% drop from 2017. Property crimes were down 7.9% however violent crime incidents rose by 15.46%.

A large-scale drug conspiracy that brought methamphetamine originating from Mexico into Jamestown for distribution over the last several years ended in August. “Operation Meltdown” resulted in the indictments and arrest of eight individuals and the seizure of more than seven pounds of methamphetamine. The Jamestown Metro Drug Task Force also seized a record number of illegal firearms throughout the year.

As an agency, we want to pass on our sincere appreciation to the community for their continued support and we look forward to providing public safety to the City of Jamestown in the coming year.



**Harry Snellings**

Chief of Police  
Director of Public Safety



## MISSION STATEMENT

**The Mission of the Jamestown Police Department is to ensure peace, safety, and a sense of well-being to the culturally diverse Jamestown Community. The goals of a high quality of life, crime prevention and racial harmony are shared with community members.**

**This Mission shall be accomplished through the preservation of peace, building community partnerships, the safeguarding of all individuals' personal liberties, and the prevention and resolution of crime.**

**The Jamestown Police Department is committed to this mission and each member is individually sworn to conduct themselves in a manner of excellence and professionalism in the service and dedication to the Jamestown Community.**







## CRIME STATISTICS

# 2013-2018 CRIME INDEX FOR JAMESTOWN, NY

The crime index is composed of selected offenses used to gauge fluctuations in the overall volume and rate of crime reported to police. The offenses included are the violent crimes of murder, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault, in addition to the property crimes of burglary, larceny, and auto theft. The Crime Index was developed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting program to standardize the way law enforcement agencies report crime statistics.

## Key Findings:

- In 2018, the Jamestown Police Department responded to 36,430 calls for service. This was an increase from 36,031 calls for service in 2017.
- Part I violent crimes increased from 2017 to 2018 by +15.47% and +6.63% compared to the five-year average between 2013 and 2017.
- Part I property crimes decreased from 2017 to 2018 by -7.96% and -24.81% compared to the five-year average between 2012 and 2016. This was a statistically significant change in the number of property crimes, not likely to be the result of chance fluctuations in criminal activity.
- Total Part I index crimes decreased from 2016 to 2017 by -16.1% and -20.4% compared to the five-year average between 2013 and 2017. This was a statistically significant change in the number of index crimes, not likely to be the result of chance fluctuations in criminal activity.
- The crime rate per 1000 people in Jamestown, NY dropped to 32.6 crimes per 1000 in 2018.

Crime	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	% Change 2017-2018	5 Year Average 2013-2017	% Change 5 Year Avg. vs. 2018
Murder & Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	1	2	4	2	1			
Rape, Forcible	19	24	29	17	10	30	+200.00%	20	+50.00%
Robbery	39	45	55	47	31	28	-9.68%	43	-34.88%
Aggravated Assault	110	132	139	134	138	150	+8.70	131	+14.50%
<b>Part I Total Violent Crime</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>+15.47</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>+6.63%</b>
Burglary	281	355	297	323	226	189	-16.37%	296	-36.15%
Larceny	829	884	663	687	610	598	-1.97%	735	-18.64%
MV Theft	30	48	51	52	43	22	-48.84%	45	-51.11%
<b>Part I Total Property Crime</b>	<b>1,140</b>	<b>1,287</b>	<b>1,011</b>	<b>1,062</b>	<b>879</b>	<b>809</b>	<b>-7.96%</b>	<b>1,076</b>	<b>-24.81%</b>
<b>Part I Index Total</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>1,489</b>	<b>1,236</b>	<b>1,264</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>1,018</b>	<b>-3.96</b>	<b>1,271</b>	<b>-19.83</b>
<b>Population</b>	<b>31,146</b>	<b>31,146</b>	<b>31,146</b>	<b>31,146</b>	<b>31,146</b>	<b>31,146</b>			
<b>Total Index Crime Rate Per 1000</b>	<b>42.0</b>	<b>47.8</b>	<b>39.7</b>	<b>40.6</b>	<b>34.0</b>	<b>32.7</b>			

\* Percent change is not calculated when counts are fewer than 10 and the 5-year averages are rounded to the nearest whole number.

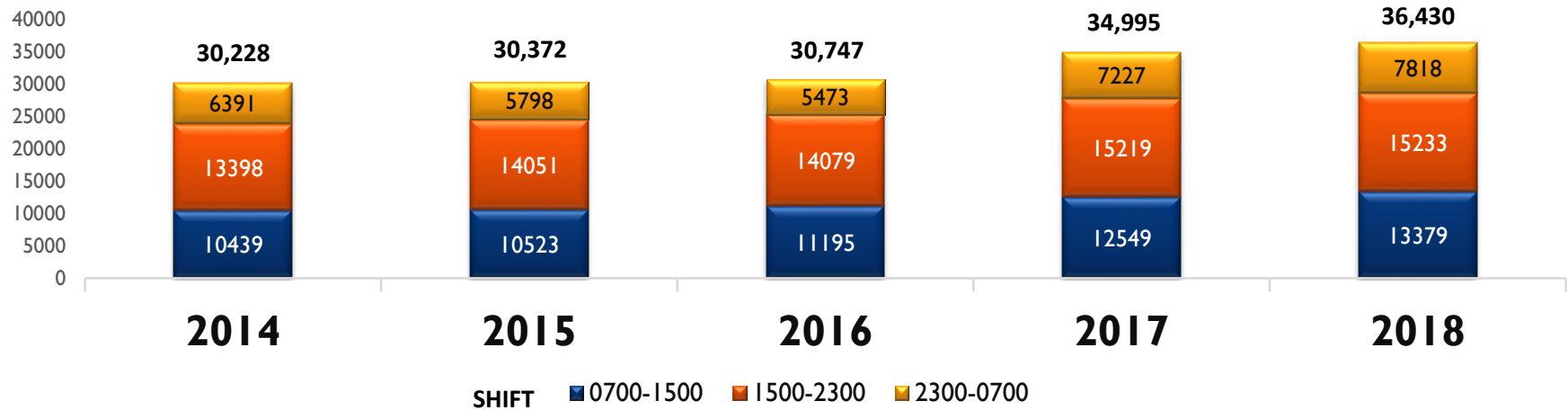
## 20-YEAR CRIME INDEX – JAMESTOWN, NY

Crime	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	%Change 2017-2018	Avg. 1999-2017	% Change 1999-2017 vs 2018
<b>Murder &amp; Non-Negligent Manslaughter</b>	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	1	2	4	2	1		1	
<b>Rape</b>	14	19	23	11	18	19	23	21	20	20	20	24	22	15	19	24	29	17	10	30	200.0%	19	57.9%
<b>Robbery</b>	17	17	20	40	41	48	46	35	30	40	26	35	36	39	39	45	55	47	31	28	-9.7%	36	-22.2%
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	96	89	79	110	105	102	143	114	117	122	104	122	145	129	110	132	139	134	138	150	8.7%	117	28.2%
<b>Total Violent</b>	127	125	124	162	164	169	213	170	168	185	152	181	203	183	168	202	225	202	181	209	15.5%	174	20.1%
<b>Burglary</b>	340	324	251	269	325	304	364	367	300	344	266	342	335	359	281	355	297	323	226	189	-16.4%	314	-39.8%
<b>Larceny</b>	781	782	754	761	820	703	728	795	819	812	817	895	758	784	829	884	663	687	610	598	-2.0%	773	-22.6%
<b>MV Theft</b>	55	65	45	64	84	43	40	46	37	25	21	44	31	38	30	48	51	52	43	22	-48.8%	45	-51.1%
<b>Total Property</b>	1,176	1,171	1,050	1,094	1,229	1,050	1,132	1,208	1,156	1,181	1,104	1,281	1,124	1,181	1,140	1,287	1,011	1,062	879	809	-8.0%	1,132	-28.5%
<b>Total Part I Crime</b>	1,303	1,296	1,174	1,256	1,393	1,219	1,345	1,378	1,324	1,366	1,256	1,462	1,327	1,364	1,308	1,489	1,236	1,264	1,060	1,018	-4.0%	1,306	-22.1%
<b>Population</b>	34,681	31,730	31,730	31,730	31,730	31,730	31,730	31,730	31,730	31,730	31,730	31,146	31,146	31,146	31,146	31,146	31,146	31,146	31,146	31,146			
<b>Violent Crime Per 1000</b>	3.7	3.9	3.9	5.1	5.2	5.3	6.7	5.4	5.3	5.8	4.8	5.8	6.5	5.9	5.4	6.5	7.2	6.5	5.8	6.7			
<b>Property Crime Per 1000</b>	33.9	36.9	33.1	34.5	38.7	33.1	35.7	38.1	36.4	37.2	34.8	41.1	36.1	37.9	36.6	41.3	32.5	34.1	28.2	26.0			
<b>Total Crime Rate Per 1000</b>	37.6	40.8	37.0	39.6	43.9	38.4	42.4	43.4	41.7	43.1	39.6	46.9	42.6	43.8	42.0	47.8	39.7	40.6	34.0	32.7			

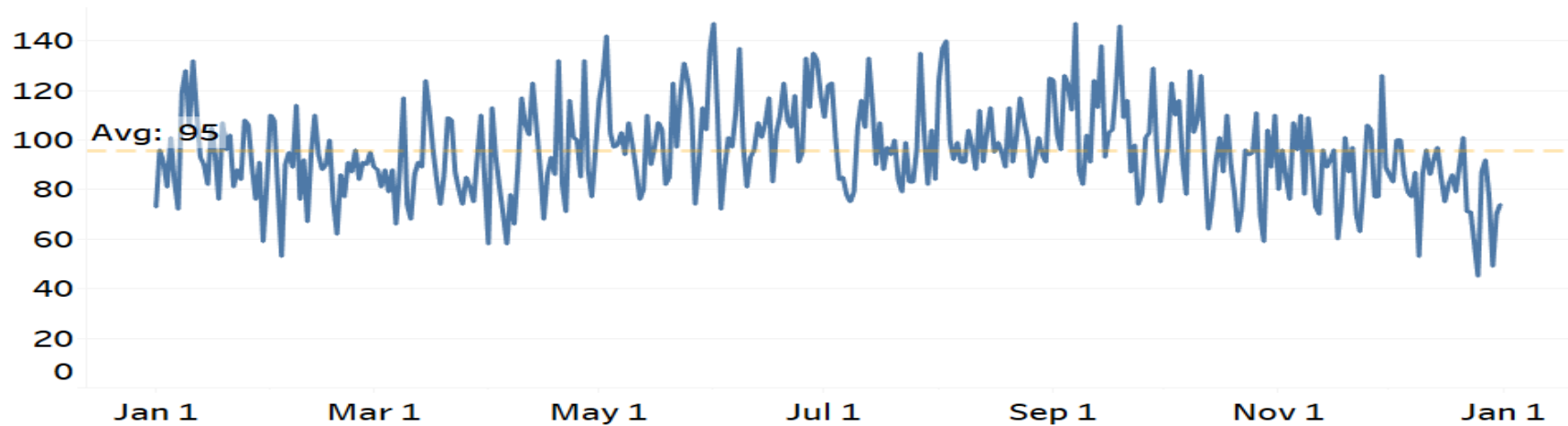
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# 2018 INCIDENTS

## 5-YEAR INCIDENT COUNT COMPARISON



## 2018 DAILY INCIDENT COUNT





## 2018 INCIDENTS BY TIME OF DAY AND DAY

HOUR	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Grand Total
0	249	199	211	220	239	239	298	1,655
1	214	155	135	182	181	214	244	1,325
2	175	137	140	148	154	195	194	1,143
3	119	92	96	113	113	117	127	777
4	87	77	68	76	83	83	79	553
5	62	66	48	59	56	63	65	419
6	43	50	51	62	52	49	48	355
7	85	143	144	154	143	188	112	969
8	129	221	243	241	232	266	148	1,480
9	172	225	224	213	241	222	183	1,480
10	181	260	307	282	265	219	220	1,734
11	221	286	272	269	291	286	197	1,822
12	198	292	298	269	280	289	218	1,844
13	180	287	314	300	290	294	203	1,868
14	184	232	211	254	241	258	173	1,553
15	187	295	314	297	344	298	209	1,944
16	232	314	274	266	315	298	247	1,946
17	223	298	281	298	290	291	230	1,911
18	228	247	247	255	264	258	223	1,722
19	202	247	227	251	255	256	224	1,662
20	219	230	257	254	265	274	262	1,761
21	218	223	266	291	268	331	271	1,868
22	180	197	185	208	232	297	262	1,561
23	197	167	190	204	220	272	247	1,497
Total	4,185	4,940	5,003	5,166	5,314	5,557	4,684	34,849

**Average Per Hour:** 207.43 incidents

**Median Per Hour:** 222.5 incidents

**Minimum Per Hour:** 43 incidents

**Maximum Per Hour:** 344 incidents



## OPERATIONS DIVISION

# OPERATIONS DIVISION OVERVIEW

## Overview

The Operations Division is responsible for providing direct police services to the public. The members of the Operations Division are committed to our citizens through the protection of life and property, protection of the constitutional guarantees of all people, reduction of opportunities for the commission of crime, resolution of conflict, identification of criminal offenders and criminal activity, apprehension of offenders and coordinated efforts of the Jamestown Police Department with other police agencies. The division is commanded by Captain Todd Isaacson.

There are 49 sworn police officers, a dog control officer, and five crossing guards assigned to the Operations Division. These members, who are the front-line of the agency, have initial contact with the public when law enforcement services are requested.

Members of the division continue to increase their proactive patrol activity. This has resulted in the officers being more visible and accessible to the community, which is a contributing factor in the timely arrest of offenders. The City of Jamestown is the largest municipality in the county and continues to experience over half of the violent crime that is committed countywide.

The Operations Division encompasses the Patrol Section, the Special Operations Section, and the Operational Administration Section.

Captain Isaacson is also responsible for coordinating the agency's commitment to New York State Division of Criminal Justice Service's grant funded programs and the New York States Governor's Traffic Safety Council grant programs.

## Patrol Section:

The Patrol Section consists of three platoons of uniformed officers who staff three shifts each day as well as a Traffic Investigation Unit, School Resource Officer Unit, DWI Unit and a K-9 Unit.

In each platoon, a lieutenant serves as the platoon commander. The lieutenant has overall responsibility for the administrative and daily supervision of platoon activities. Each platoon is divided into three squads with three or four officers assigned to each. In addition, two sergeants are assigned to every platoon as supervisors.

The Patrol Section is responsible for traffic and parking enforcement, conducting initial and follow-up investigations, crime prevention and suppression activities, community relations, neighborhood awareness and reaction to neighborhood problems.

Additionally, the Patrol Section provides a communications officer for each shift. Usually a sergeant, the communications officer is responsible for operating the Command Center at the Jamestown Police Department. This position is responsible for monitoring and assisting the Dispatch Center, operating E-Justice and computer systems, and assisting the public at the station.

The Patrol Section also operates the City Jail. Patrol officers and patrol command staff are responsible for the control, incarceration, safekeeping, and humane treatment of prisoners in custody, in addition to

booking and related processing of prisoners in custody, assisting the Court Security Unit with persons they arrest, and coordinating transportation of prisoners to the County Jail.

The three school resource officers are under the direct supervision of the Operations Division Commander. The Operations Division Commander coordinates the school resource officer program and other school safety programs, in addition to assisting with any other programs and patrol duties when necessary.

The dog control officer, a full-time civilian officer, is also under the direct supervision of the Operation Division Commander. This civilian officer is responsible for: executing all laws and ordinances governing domestic animals; interviewing citizens and animal owners in connection with animal control matters and counseling or rendering assistance as appropriate; conducting or supervising dog enumerations; impounding stray dogs; and responding to dangerous animal complaints. The dog control officer also handles matters relating to animal control, maintains records on all animals brought by him to a veterinary hospital or the designated confinement center, and coordinates with the Health Department and SPCA on matters relating to animal complaints and vaccinations.

The agency has five part-time civilian crossing guard employees who are charged with the safe street crossing of our elementary school students. The crossing guards report illegal and suspicious activity to patrol units to ensure students have a safe environment.

#### Special Operations Functions:

The Operations Division Commander directs the functions of the agency's K-9 Unit, Accident Investigation Unit, and other special operations units.

The K-9 Unit consists of one uniformed officer and a German Shepherd Dog. The unit conducts routine patrol and responds to calls for service. The K-9 Unit is called upon to conduct human tracking, crowd control, building and narcotic searches and is utilized to support the agency's SWAT Team.

One accident investigation officer is responsible for investigating motor vehicle accidents; conducting specialized or pro-active traffic enforcement on a citywide basis; investigation of all fatal and life-threatening traffic accidents, conducting "leaving the scene of motor vehicle accident" investigations; escorts; Scofflaw; revocations and suspension actions; and performing all patrol duties assigned. This officer is also called upon to conduct traffic studies relative to traffic problems and motorist compliance with vehicle and traffic laws, such as use of seatbelts.

The School Resource Officers (SRO) are assigned within the Jamestown Public School system, to include the Jamestown High School, the Tech Academy, and the Middle Schools (one SRO rotates among the middle schools). SRO's work with school administrators within their assigned buildings coordinating the safety of students, faculty, staff, and grounds. The SRO's are instrumental in building positive relationships with students and staff that bridge traditional roles of policing in our community. SRO's also address all safety, security, and investigative needs within their assigned buildings, thus alleviating the need to remove road patrol officers to handle calls for service. This is a win-win for the schools and the community.

There are three special operations units in the department. The Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT), Crisis Resolution Team (CRT) and Color Guard are staffed by officers as an "additional duty." SWAT and CRT units plan for responses to unusual occurrences and emergency incidents. Color Guard is utilized on an as needed basis, primarily for parades, funerals, and special events. The Operations Commander assumes command of all special operations.

### Operational Administration Functions:

The Operations Division Commander also manages the operational administration of the Operations Division consisting of the personnel and management services, in addition to internal affairs.

Some of the personnel management duties consist of maintaining department personnel records and time records, the preparation of job descriptions, background investigations of prospective employees, recruiting, coordination of the field training program for newly hired or promoted officers, and assigning personnel to the various shifts and sections based on the needs of the department.

Management services encompasses a variety of staff services including coordinating the department's contractual services, inventory control and distribution of department property, maintaining supplies of departmental forms, reports, etc., and ordering, issuing and maintaining records of departmental uniforms, equipment and supplies.

The management of services within the Jamestown Police Department includes fleet management and range management.

- Fleet Management: includes the research, acquisition and maintenance of all department vehicles and vehicle equipment.
- Range Management: includes the acquiring and maintaining of all department firearms and ammunition, maintaining documentation of all range and firearm activities and firearms training, planning evaluation of firearms and associated equipment, and selecting, training, and supervision of range training staff.

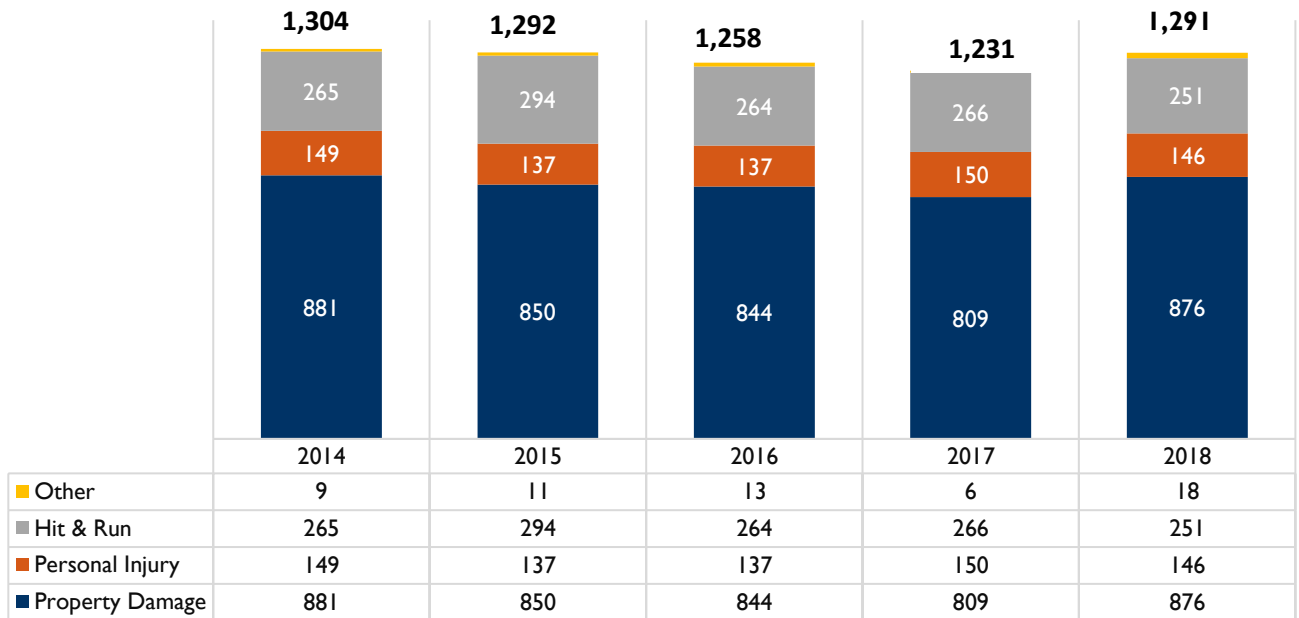
Equipment maintenance functions are performed by on-duty police officers who are responsible for the daily and weekly maintenance of the department's fleet of vehicles. The Operations Division Commander monitors and directs vehicle and equipment repairs with appropriate contractors.

The Operations Division Commander is responsible for the coordination and administration of the department's training programs. This includes in-service and firearms training, planning and developing training programs and is charged with preparing and distributing bulletins to notify agency personnel of training, maintaining the training records, as well as selecting, advising, assisting, and supervising instructors.

It is also the responsibility of the Operations Division Commander for conducting and coordinating departmental internal affairs administrative investigations relating to complaints of police actions or allegations of misconduct on the part of members of the department. These investigations are related to possible violations of departmental policies and procedures. Allegations that could lead to criminal prosecution of members of the department are directed to the Administrative and Support Services Division Commander.

# VEHICLE & TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

## ACCIDENT TYPE COMPARISON BY YEAR



## TRAFFIC TICKETS COMPARISON BY YEAR

Violation	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Aggravated Unlicensed Operation Motor Vehicle – 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree</b>	276	295	453	456
<b>Operation of Motor Vehicle by Unlicensed Driver</b>	159	143	295	289
<b>Operation of Motor Vehicle Without Inspection</b>	148	140	295	363
<b>Speed Violation – Speed in Zone</b>	118	126	128	192
<b>Failed to Stop at Stop Sign</b>	86	94	120	129
<b>Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle on Highway</b>	70	70	142	173
<b>Traffic Device Violation – Passed Red Light</b>	106	79	92	136
<b>Driving While Intoxicated – 1<sup>st</sup> Offense</b>	89	75	98	116
<b>No Seatbelt – Driver</b>	112	57	142	124
<b>Operate Motor Vehicle While Using Mobile Phone</b>	36	49	74	67
<b>All Other Violations</b>	1,310	1,166	2,203	2,513
<b>TOTAL TICKETS</b>	<b>2,510</b>	<b>2,294</b>	<b>4,042</b>	<b>4,558</b>



# SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS TEAM

The Jamestown Police Department Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT) is a volunteer group of specially trained personnel assigned specialized weapons, supplemental safety equipment and other specialized devices to overcome prolonged life-threatening situations, such as:

- Barricaded subject situations
- Hostage situations
- Anti-sniper incidents
- Drug interdictions
- High-risk warrant service
- Security for visiting dignitaries

Lt. Gregory Wozneak commands the team.

The Jamestown Police Department SWAT Team participated in 36 details in 2018. SWAT participated in these details in support of the Jamestown Metro Drug Task Force. Most of the details were in support of the Jamestown Police Department Detective Bureau and Jamestown Metro Drug Task Force. There was one hostage situation and one barricaded subject standoff.

	2016	2017	2018
SEARCH WARRANTS	39	38	35
BARRICADE/ STAND-OFF	1	1	0
HIGH-RISK ARREST WARRANT	1	1	0
HOSTAGE SITUATION	1	0	1
SEARCH FOR ARMED SUSPECT	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>36</b>



# CRISIS RESOLUTION TEAM

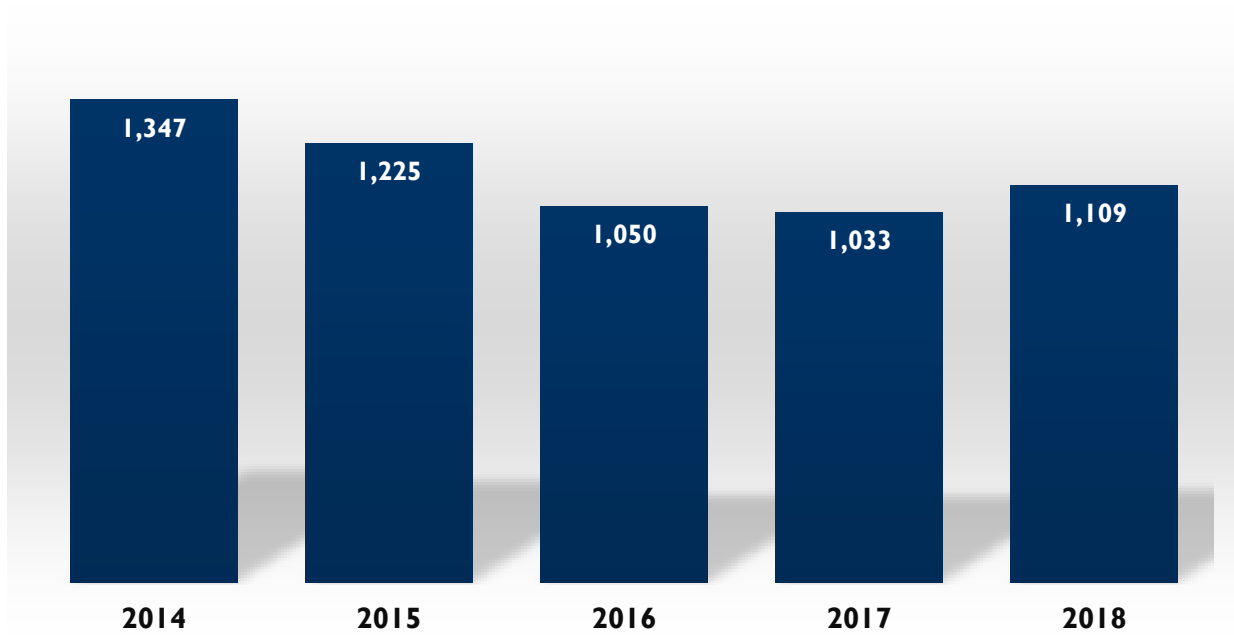
The Jamestown Police Department Crisis Resolution Team (CRT) is an eight-member team that is specially trained and equipped in the management of crisis situations, such as hostage incidents, barricaded subjects, or suicidal subjects. The purpose of the team is to bring crisis situations to a peaceful conclusion through the use of negotiations, thereby minimizing the potential for injury to citizens and officers.

Negotiators are state certified, have completed the F.B.I. Crisis Negotiations School, and train on a regular basis jointly with Jamestown Police Department S.W.A.T., New York State Police, Immigrations and Customs Enforcement, and numerous other western New York law enforcement agencies.



# ANIMAL CONTROL UNIT

## COUNT OF ANIMAL COMPLAINT INCIDENTS PER YEAR



# GRANTS

## POLICE TRAFFIC SERVICES GRANT

The Police Traffic Services Grant is awarded annually and provides funding to support seatbelt and occupant restraint enforcement during specified statewide “enforcement waves” and expanded enforcement efforts directed by our department. Pro-active patrols also target aggressive driving, speeding, distracted drivers, cellular phone, and other dangerous driving behaviors. In the 2017-2018 grant, our agency was awarded \$8,330.00.



## OPERATION SAFE STOP

Operation Safe Stop is a statewide enforcement initiative that is not funded by any grant. Our agency and the Jamestown Public School District participate in this program annually in the spring of each year. The goal of the initiative is to ensure motorists are not passing stopped school busses and cite motorists who violate this law. During our 2018 operation, there were two (2) violations of this law cited.

## GUN INVOLVED VIOLENCE ELIMINATION INITIATIVE – G.I.V.E.

In 2014, New York launched a new effort called the GIVE (Gun Involved Violence Elimination) Initiative. GIVE builds on the success of Operation IMPACT but focus exclusively on shootings, homicides and violent crime. The focus of G.I.V.E. for Jamestown is on violent crime. In 2018, the Jamestown Police Department received a grant of \$69,721.00 to fund G.I.V.E. initiatives, including funding for a crime analyst.

GIVE initiatives work to reduce incidents of shootings, aggravated assault, and violent crime by promoting integrated, evidence-based strategies that include four core elements:

- People – GIVE jurisdictions will target the key individuals and groups, also known as the “top offenders,” responsible for most gun violence.
- Places – GIVE jurisdictions will target the key locations, or “hot spots,” where most violence is occurring.
- Alignment – GIVE jurisdictions will align their efforts and coordinate strategies with other local violence-prevention efforts.
- Engagement – GIVE jurisdictions will engage key stakeholders and the community at large, communicating and coordinating with them to ensure wide-ranging support.

The Chautauqua County G.I.V.E. partnership increases the number of patrols that are conducted jointly with agencies such as the NY State Police, NY State Parole, County Probation, and the City of Jamestown Department of Development (D.O.D.). Officers from these agencies work with JPD Officers to patrol targeted locations, conduct inspectional visits of parolees and probationers, and address emerging crime trends. Numerous high profile arrests have resulted from the program, as well as an increased ability for the department to identify and track criminals to assist in deploying resources more effectively.

# GRANTS



## EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG)

The JAG Grant is awarded annually by the US Department of Justice to large agencies nationwide based on their Part I Crime Statistics. Since 2005, the grant is awarded jointly to JPD and the Chautauqua County Sheriff's Office, who split the funding. The grant is used to purchase equipment that is used by both departments to improve coordination and sharing of services.

- In 2005, the grant paid for new radio headsets for all members of the City and County SWAT Teams to aid in interoperability of radio equipment.
- In 2006, the grant paid for installation of digital electronic recording and monitoring systems for interview rooms at JPD and CCSD.
- The grant money in 2007 was used to purchase Tasers and holsters to equip all JPD patrol officers.
- There was no funding provided in 2008.
- In 2009, the grant money was used to purchase a new Crime Scene Investigation vehicle for JPD and to purchase Tasers for the CCSD.
- The funding in 2010 allowed the department to purchase new tactical headsets for the JPD and CCSD SWAT Teams. The new headsets replaced older equipment the teams were using.
- JPD used their portion of the 2011 funding to purchase two in-car digital video camera systems. The cameras were installed and are in use on a daily basis. The 2011 funding allowed the CCSD to purchase a specialized remote digital surveillance camera.
- In 2012, the funding provided by the JAG grant was used towards the purchase of a used sedan for use as a Drug Investigation vehicle, and the CCSD used their portion of funding to put towards the purchase of a new marked patrol vehicle.
- In 2013, JPD used their portion of the funding to purchase four in-car cameras, and the CCSD purchased 32 pair of binoculars for their patrol department.
- The funds from the 2014 JAG Grant were used to purchase a used sedan as a system support vehicle for JPD and to purchase a mobile (Flash CAM) camera system for the CCSD.
- In 2015, the JAG Grant provided funds to purchase tactical holsters and lights for JPD patrol and CCSD purchased digital cameras for their patrol units.
- In 2016, the grant paid for mobile data terminals for the Jamestown Police Department and body-worn cameras for CCSD.

# GRANTS

- In 2017, the grant will be used to pay for new equipment for the Stop DWI vehicle, a portable radio and two additional body-worn cameras.
- In 2018, the funds were used to purchase portable notebooks. They are assigned to the command group and specialized units for use during critical incidents.

## **BULLET PROOF VEST (BPV) GRANT**

The BVP Grant is awarded annually by the US Department of Justice and pays one-half of the cost of purchasing bulletproof vests for all newly hired police officers or replacement of defective or unserviceable vests for existing officers. Additionally, State funding pays the remaining one-half of the purchase price for vests for newly hired officers, resulting in no cost to the City for initial issue of bulletproof vests. The State funding does not support replacement vests for existing officers.



## **STOP DWI GRANT**

In an effort to discourage, driving while intoxicated or impaired, the STOP DWI program is contracted through the county for a period of one year. The funds allow Officers to detect, apprehend and arrest individuals who are driving while intoxicated or impaired within their jurisdiction. The funding also allows for prosecution at court appearances, participation in public relations and public education programs to heighten the awareness of the seriousness of DWI, and impaired driving; and to pursue training in skills and use of equipment necessary to carry out and implement the STOP DWI program.





## ADMINISTRATIVE & SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

# ADMINISTRATIVE & SUPPORT SERVICES OVERVIEW

Captain Robert F. Samuelson is the commander of the Administrative and Support Services Division. The Administrative and Support Services Division is responsible for providing ancillary services to support department functions. These services include management of department resources, management of the investigative section and non-sworn support staff. The Administrative Assistant to the Chief also provides support and has responsibilities with the Administrative and Support Services Division. The Administrative and Support Services Division is divided into four sections: the Investigative Section, the Administrative Services Section, the Support Services Section and the Internal Affairs Section.

## CHIEF OF POLICE STAFF

### **Administrative Assistant to the Chief:**

The Administrative Assistant to the Chief is required to maintain all personnel files, contracts, and internal investigation records; therefore, it is a confidential position. It is also this employee's responsibility to complete all paperwork relative to new hires, active personnel and retired personnel. The Administrative Assistant is also accountable for answering the telephone, handling inquiries, writing correspondence, and scheduling appointments for the Chief of Police.

Financial responsibilities include entering and remitting invoices for payment, as well as reconciling budgetary accounts with the Comptroller, and assisting in budget preparation. The Administrative Assistant also oversees purchasing supplies, creating purchase orders, handling petty cash and requesting checks.

Clerical duties include submitting personnel change forms and travel/expense reports. Updating rosters, flow charts, and weekly schedules is also a constant task of the Administrative Assistant.

### **Crime Analyst:**

One crime analyst, a full-time civilian, is funded through the G.I.V.E. Initiative grant. The crime analyst is responsible for:

- Compiling and analyzing data related to criminal incidents
- Investigating results of prevention efforts
- Assembling and disseminating crime trend data and investigative results to authorized personnel
- Developing programs aimed at improving the linkage of similarities among the incidents, offenses, suspects and victims
- Acting as liaison with non-departmental resources for analytical data

## THE INVESTIGATIVE SECTION

The Investigative Section has a lieutenant, nine investigators, one police officer and two civilian personnel assigned to the section. Investigative personnel follow-up on cases that require more time or are too entailed for the patrol officers to conduct as part of their duties.

### **Detective Unit:**

This unit has three detectives assigned. Their primary function is to conduct investigative follow-ups of major crimes, and incidents after the patrol officers complete preliminary investigations.

### **Juvenile Unit:**

Two detectives staff the Juvenile Unit. They investigate crimes involving victims and suspects who are 16 years of age or less, as well as felony assaults and sexual assaults where the victim is under 18 years of age. These detectives work closely with Child Protection, Social Services, Probation and Family Court.

### **Drug Enforcement Unit:**

Three detectives are assigned to this unit as Drug Enforcement Officers (DEOs). These investigators conduct drug investigations reported in the city. The DEOs also assist the Investigative Section in investigations requiring surveillance and shared confidential informants. The actions of these investigators have a direct impact on the narcotics trade. These DEOs are also part of the Jamestown Metro Drug Task Force.

### **Evidence and Property Management Unit:**

An Identification Detective is assigned to the Evidence and Property Management Unit. This detective performs crime scene processing, which includes photography, evidence collection, finger printing and proper storage of forensic evidence. One police lieutenant, one police sergeant, three detectives, and four patrol officers are members of the Forensics Investigations Team (FIT), which is a countywide task force of evidence technicians. Members of the FIT are called out to process major incidents within our region. In addition, this detective is the evidence technician, maintaining all collected evidence and ensuring it is properly forwarded to a lab for examination and or analysis.

### **Domestic Violence Intervention Unit:**

One patrol officer and one civilian employee, who is an employee of Family Services, staff this unit. The unit is responsible for facilitating the Chautauqua County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault by assisting and providing follow-up to victims of domestic violence.

### **Detective Secretary/Property Management:**

The Investigative Section is assigned a full-time secretary. The secretary enters reports, completes data entry on warrants, and maintains the files. The secretary is also responsible for tracking court appearance subpoenas sent or received. Additionally, the secretary ensures the proper assembly of cases for the District Attorney's Office. This civilian is also assigned as the property clerk to the evidence and property management unit to assist with the storing and tracking of evidence.

### **Administrative Services Section**

One full-time civilian employee, who is employed by the city and is responsible for monitoring, calculating, recording and maintaining all department employees' payroll and time attendance records, staffs Payroll/Grants Administration. Other duties associated with this position consist of maintaining shift logs; creating databases for payroll, time attendance and grants tracking; and coordinating department payroll with the City of Jamestown Finance Department. The responsibilities associated with grants administration include coordinating the writing of and application process involved with grants; researching and preparing

State and Federal grant applications; maintaining all grant files; maintaining financial records pertaining to all State and Federal grant applications; preparing grant reports; and preparing all grant files for audits.

Research and development is managed by the Administrative and Support Services Division Commander who works with the Technical Services Unit and solicits personnel with expertise in areas of the specific program or project. The responsibilities include developing policies and procedures, managing special improvement projects or experimental programs, and providing staff assistance to the department as required, including the dissemination of analytical reports to affected organizational units.

Personnel Records are maintained by the Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Police. This includes processing paperwork for new hires as well as personnel changes for current employees. Once paperwork is completed, it is forwarded to the Chautauqua County Department of Human Resources. It is also necessary to securely retain records regarding background investigations, medical histories, training certificates, awards, internal investigations, and disciplinary actions.

### Support Services Section

The reception area is staffed by one full-time civilian who is responsible for: receiving phone calls for general information and answering questions or referring calls to the appropriate office; receiving phone calls and taking messages for departmental units; receiving walk-in complaints and taking appropriate action or making appropriate referrals; and typing correspondence, reports, form letters, memos, records and similar material. This unit is also accountable for filing duties, distributing various motor vehicle department forms, taking non-emergency complaints by telephone or in person, and completing offense reports on walk-in complaints.

Information technology duties are performed by one full-time civilian employee who is responsible for compiling, preparing and disseminating the department's performance statistics; performing certain computer programming services; entering, reviewing and monitoring the quality of information in the department's computer database; and coordinating officer automation services. This employee also provides technical assistance and instruction to department employees in the operation of computer and technical systems; acts as liaison with city and county data processing personnel; establishes, coordinates and maintains schedules and inventories for the utilization of equipment in the department; and troubleshoots, analyzes problems and implements solutions to software and hardware problems. This person's duties also include coordination of software purchases and associated training; periodic analysis of department records management processing; assistance with data analysis; generation of internal and external reports relating to information technology systems and applications; as well as identification and evaluation of computer and technical systems problems. This unit is also responsible for making periodic data backup files for the department; assisting programmers in technical aspects of interfacing computers to networks or mainframe computers; and researching and recommending new software and hardware applications for department activities.

The Administrative and Support Services Division Commander, collaboratively with the Operations Division Commander, manage community relations. The captains make recommendations to promote a positive public image of the department and are responsible for:

- Coordinating media relations activities; coordinating department promotional activities such as web pages, departmental newsletters and brochures

- Participating in collaborative community activities that support departmental objectives; releasing to the local news media any information they are entitled to have access to
- Providing local news media with information that may prevent, reduce or assist in solving crime(s) or assist the police department in its mission

Records Management is staffed by three full-time civilian employees who are responsible for the repository of all department arrests record reports, case history reports, vehicle and traffic tickets and auto accident reports; the release of these records to the public; microfilm processing; mail and petty cash; liaison with UCR Reports; compensation; TSLED; budget duties; and the maintenance of the Sex Offender Registry.

Court/Building Security is staffed by one full-time and twelve part-time sworn court security officers who are responsible for protecting and guarding judges, non-judicial employees, jurors, parties, attorneys, witnesses, and the general public in the designated security screening equipment; collecting and securing property of persons entering court facilities; maintaining decorum in the court; and answering questions and directing the general public as necessary. These individuals are also accountable for guarding prisoners awaiting court action; maintaining order and assisting with judicial proceedings; and carrying out the directions of the court.

Jail Management is overseen by the Administrative and Support Services Division Commander who is responsible for the administration of the city jail; compliance with regulations pertaining to the operation of the City Jail; completion of required reports to the NYS Commission of Corrections; coordination of operational functions with the administrative functions of the City Jail; selection and training of jail matrons; and maintenance of jail records.

Communications is provided by Chautauqua County. Overall monitoring of this function is done by the Administrative and Support Services Division Commander and, on a daily basis, by one on-duty police supervisor who is responsible for the coordination of delivering services with the 911 Emergency Communications Center, acting as a liaison with County Dispatchers; participating in the EMS Quality Assurance Program; assisting dispatch personnel with communications duties; coordinating the maintenance of communications equipment; controlling NYSPIN and e-Justice NY; and controlling communications audiotape.

Data processing is performed by a combination of support units listed above and is responsible for computer input and management of all department records; coordination of computer database information; the compilation, preparation and dissemination of certain department performance statistics; management of department programming services; and the task of entering, reviewing and monitoring the quality of information in the department's computer database.

#### **Internal Affairs Criminal Section:**

Internal affairs involves conducting and coordinating department criminal investigations relating to complaints of police actions or allegations of criminal activity on the part of members of the department and directing investigations into allegations of, or that could lead to, criminal prosecution of members of the department under the direction of the Administrative and Support Services Division Commander.

# INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION CASES OF NOTE FOR 2018

In 2018, there were 1,023 cases assigned to members of the Investigative Division. The following will discuss some of the major investigations handled by the Investigative Division in 2018.

## July 24, 2018: William Michishima Homicide

On 24 July 2018 at approximately 8:58 a.m., Jamestown Police Department officers responded to the scene of a shooting at 114 Livingston Ave. Upon arrival, officers located a male victim lying in the street with an apparent gunshot wound to the head. The victim, William Michishima, was transported to UPMC Chautauqua via ambulance, airlifted to UPMC Hamot in Erie, PA and taken off life support the next day. An investigation determined that David Waggoner, an acquaintance of Michishima, was the shooter. Waggoner was indicted in August 2018 on a charge of second-degree murder and has remained in Chautauqua County Jail awaiting trial.



David Waggoner



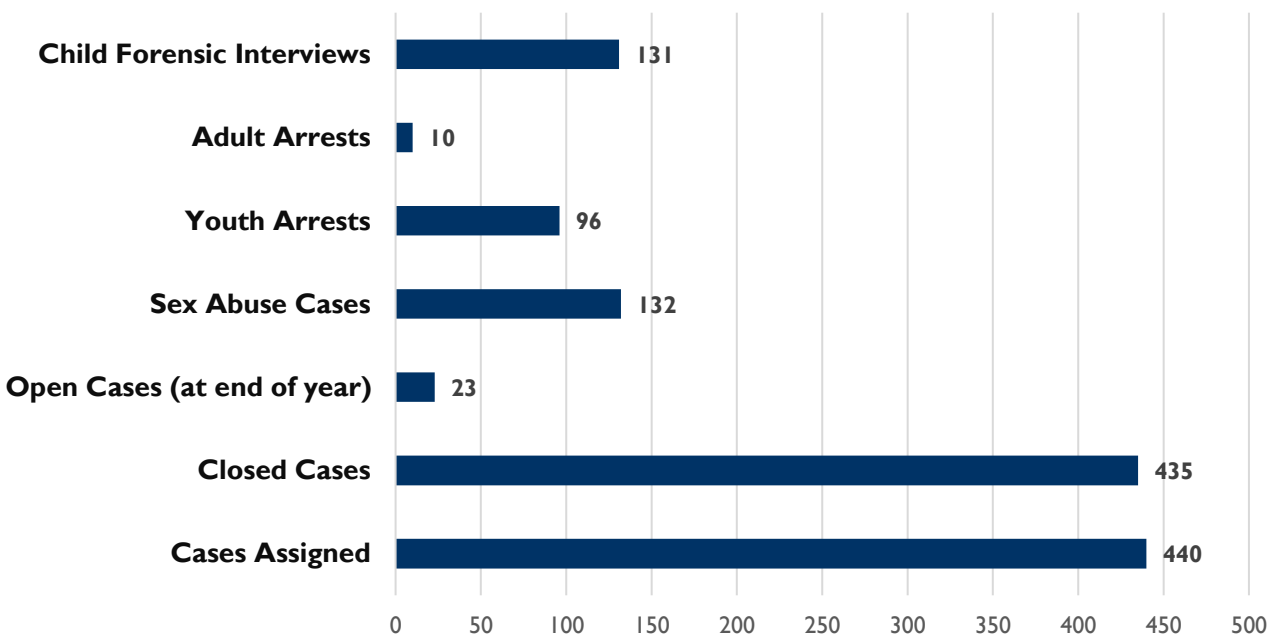
# JUVENILE UNIT

The Jamestown Police Department Juvenile Unit consists of two full-time specially trained detectives. Their specialized training includes the forensic interviewing of children, as well as suspect, victim and witness interviewing and statement taking. The detectives are responsible for the sensitive and lengthy investigations involving child sexual abuse, rape and crimes involving children under the age of 17. The juvenile unit handles crimes committed by both juvenile and adult suspects.

The juvenile unit uses a multidisciplinary team (MDT) approach as an effective way to coordinate and conduct investigations. The MDT includes federal, state and local law enforcement agencies, child protective services (CPS), The Child Advocacy Program (CAP), probation, family court, mental health agencies, regional health care providers, local school systems and other social service agencies. The team is a collaboration that strives towards an effective, prompt and unified response to crimes committed against children.

The information below represents a summarized portion of the activities completed by the juvenile unit.

## 2018 JUVENILE BUREAU CASE STATISTICS



# DRUG ENFORCEMENT UNIT

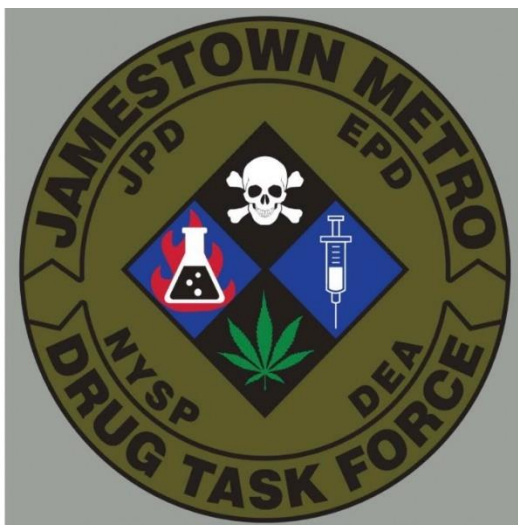
The Drug Enforcement Unit (DEU) took over as the primary unit to investigate drug investigations in the City of Jamestown when the department withdrew their partnership from The Southern Tier Regional Drug Task Force in March 2012. This initial unit consisted of the Jamestown Police Department and the New York State Police CNET. In 2014, the Ellicott Police Department joined in the effort to address narcotic issues in the greater Jamestown area, forming the Jamestown Metro Drug Task Force (JMDTF).

The JMDTF investigates narcotics cases assigned to them, conducts surveillance and works with confidential informants. SWAT, other local police agencies and other departments from the federal government often assist them.

During 2018, the JMDTF participated in 48 search warrants that resulted in a number of seized guns and other weapons, in addition to a significant amount of items used in the packaging, distribution and sales of drugs including scales, safes, bags and envelopes and other paraphernalia. In particular, the JMDTF seized 61 guns (+190% increase from 2017) and \$20,644.68 USD in 2018.

## JAMESTOWN METRO DRUG TASK FORCE SEIZURES AND STATISTICS

	2016	2017	2018
<b>COCAINE/CRACK COCAINE</b>	9,500 grams (20.94 lbs.)	589.7 grams (1.3 lbs.)	4,227.48 grams (9.32 lbs.)
<b>HEROIN</b>	130 grams (0.29 lbs.)	174.7 grams (0.39 lbs.)	32 grams (.02 lbs.)
<b>METHAMPHETAMINE</b>	4,900 grams (10.80 lbs.)	1,575.1 grams (3.47 lbs.)	2,195.39 grams (4.84 lbs.)
<b>MARIJUANA</b>	33,954 grams (74.90 lbs.)	17,861.7 grams (39.38 lbs.)	3,184.22 grams (7.02 lbs.)



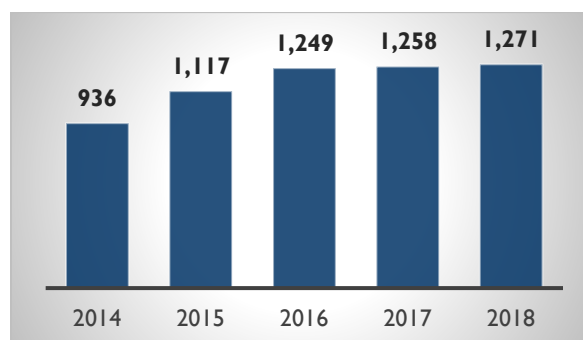
# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION UNIT

In 2018, the Domestic Violence Intervention Unit (DVIU) received 1,271 Domestic Violence Incident Reports that were taken by Jamestown Police Department officers. Through Project Crossroads, the DVIU staff served 1,094 victims and provided over 2,798 referrals through the victim and domestic violence court follow-up programs, unsolicited phone calls, and office visits.

Eighteen domestic violence educational in-service presentations were provided to people throughout Chautauqua County. Participants include individuals from human service agencies, social service providers, health and elder care professionals, law enforcement officials, members of the clergy, business professionals, and high school staff. Over 1,848 pieces of Project Crossroads and domestic violence service provider literature were disbursed.

The Domestic Violence Intervention Unit (DVIU) is responsible for facilitating the Chautauqua County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. This coalition implements a coordinated community response system to the epidemic of domestic violence while enhancing efficient delivery of services to victims. Through the coalition, staff have developed and implemented community awareness initiatives and events throughout Chautauqua County.

## Domestic Violence Incident Reports Completed by Year



### 2018 Incidents

#### DOMESTIC INCIDENT REPORTS

<b>DIRS Taken by JPD Officers</b>	1,271
<b>On-Site Arrests Made</b>	390
<b>Warrant Applications</b>	196
<b>Cases Assigned to D/V Officer</b>	66

#### ADDITIONAL SERVICES PROVIDED

<b>Warrant Applications Completed by D/V Officer</b>	60
<b>DIRs Completed by D/V Officer</b>	66
<b>Supporting Depositions Taken by D/V Officer</b>	52
<b>I-on-I Advocacy or Support/Safety Planning</b>	72
<b>Victims Provided with Copies of DIRs &amp; Orders of Protection</b>	85
<b>Warrant, Arrest, or Orders of Protection Status Searches for Victims</b>	502

## BUILDING & COURT SECURITY UNIT

The Jamestown Police Department continues to operate our Municipal Building/Courthouse security program. The number of courts operating within the City Hall facilities is significant, which makes the Court/Building Security Unit an important component of the department. Courts operating within City Hall include City Court, Housing Court, Drug Court, Mental Health Court, Family Court, Surrogates' Court, Domestic Violence Court, and DWI Court.

The Court Security Unit includes one full-time Court Security Supervisor and twelve part-time Court Security Officers, all of which are funded by the New York State Office of Court Administration.

Building and Court Security follow a 100% screening policy. The number of people who entered City Hall and were screened in 2018 was 117,263.

The Building and Court Security Unit seized 863 prohibited items during their regular screenings of those entering the building. While this demonstrates that the vast majority of people entering the building legally possess the items they are carrying, it remains obvious that such a screening is critical to maintaining the security of the building and the courts. Those items seized and returned to their owners included 1 firearm, 675 knives, 23 chemical agents, 23 razors, 47 scissors, 36 other weapons, and 58 other prohibited items.



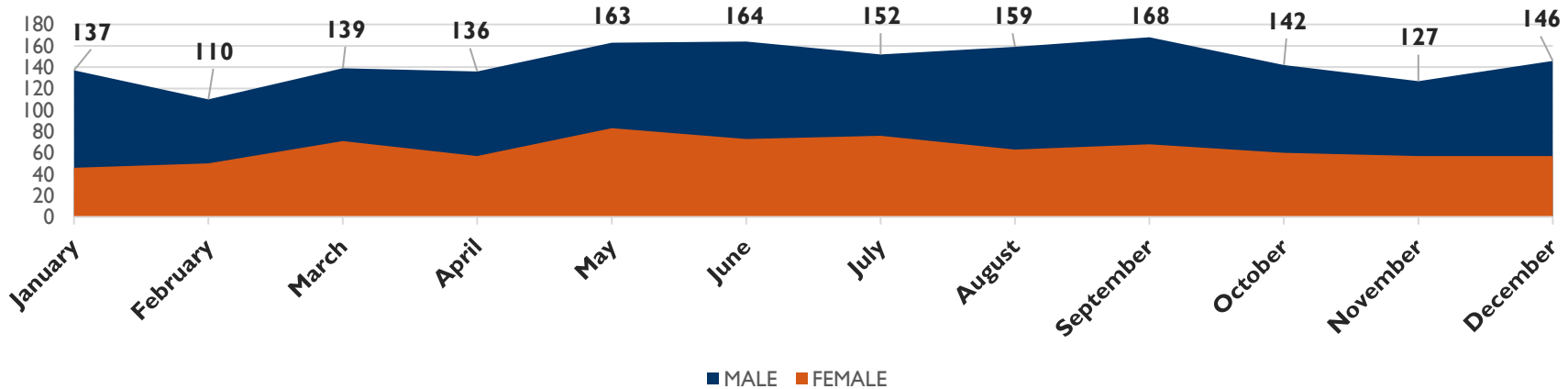
# HOLDING FACILITY REPORTS

## COUNT OF PRISONERS DETAINED IN JAMESTOWN CITY JAIL HOLDING FACILITY BY YEAR

	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>MALE</b>	1,735	1,823	1,872	1,743
<b>FEMALE</b>	653	687	805	761
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,388</b>	<b>2,510</b>	<b>2,677</b>	<b>2,504</b>



## 2018 COUNT OF PRISONERS DETAINED IN JAMESTOWN CITY JAIL HOLDING FACILITY BY MONTH



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## *RETIREMENTS*

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Detective Lori Buchanan



Detective Bureau Secretary  
Jody Caldwell



Officer Shawn Clark



Receptionist Sue Counter



Detective Scott Franzen



Detective Floyd Kent



Officer Jeffrey Russell

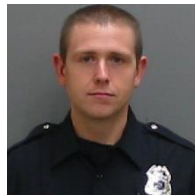
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## *PROMOTIONS*

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Detective Craig Damon



Detective Matt Kachermeyer



SRO Mike Morganti



SRO Dan Overend



Detective Ron Powers



TO Kyle Sorenson



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## *NEW HIRES*

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Crime Analyst Melissa Belli



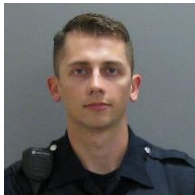
Officer Felix DeJesus



Officer Kristopher Gustafson



Officer Jose Moya



Officer Tyler Stimson



Records Clerk Rhonda Willsie



Officer Kevin Wise



Officer Anthony Zolnowski

**CITY OF JAMESTOWN**  
**OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY**  
**2018 FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
**ANNUAL REPORT**



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## **JAMESTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT**

On behalf of every dedicated and devoted firefighter on the Jamestown Fire Department, I am pleased to present to you, this recap of events that occurred in 2018. The department is manned 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. We are here to respond to the needs of our community, no matter what your emergency may be.

This report will give you various types of information, including the various duties of our firefighters and first responders, that each and every day are there for the residents of the great city of Jamestown, as well as charts and graphs that show a great deal of statistics.

If you ever find yourself in need, you can rest assured that any one of our highly trained professionals will be there to assist you in minutes. Whether it is a member that has been here 30 years, or one of our newest recruits fresh out of the Academy, you will be in good hands when faced with a house fire, medical emergency, or motor vehicle accident. Our firefighters went on 5,528 various types of calls in 2018, each presenting different dangers and challenges.

I would ask all of you, while reading this annual report, to please remember the dangers our firefighters face daily while serving and protecting our citizens of this great city.

The Jamestown Fire Department prides itself with professionalism and dignity, and we hold each other to the highest of standards. I am proud to say I lead this group of highly trained and dedicated individuals daily, and I look forward to leading our 55 firefighters safely through 2019. Be proud of who you are, and always hold your standards to their highest. *“Bravery is not the absence of fear, but action in the face of fear”*.

Thank you for your continued support!

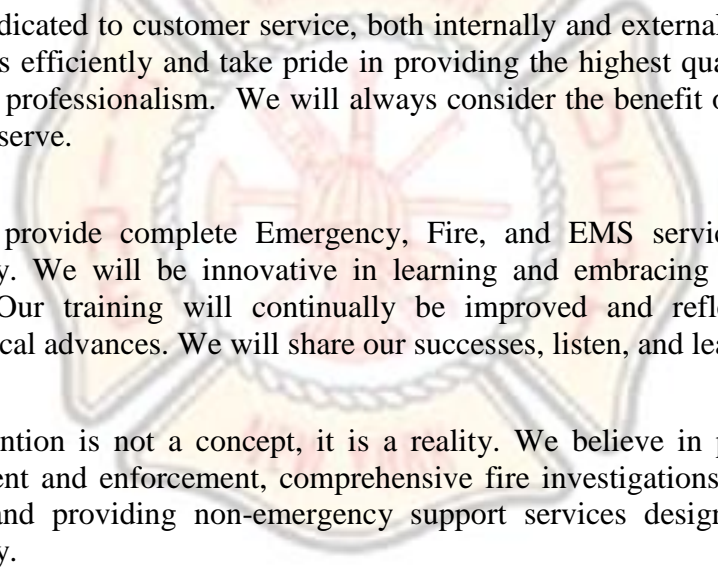


**SAMUEL B SALEMME**  
**DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF**

# **JAMESTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT**

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

*T*he mission of the Jamestown Fire Department is to foster a philosophy which values employee contribution, promotes teamwork and participation, provides the highest quality of customer service and, assures a positive atmosphere directed towards a service-oriented delivery system with a vision for the future.

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- The logo is a Maltese cross, a common symbol for fire departments. It is yellow with a red border. Inside the cross, the word "JAMESTOWN" is written in red at the top, and "FIRE" is written in red at the bottom. In the center of the cross is a red fire hydrant. The cross is set against a light blue background.
- We are dedicated to customer service, both internally and externally. We will respond to all requests efficiently and take pride in providing the highest quality of service with an attitude of professionalism. We will always consider the benefit of our services to those whom we serve.
  - We shall provide complete Emergency, Fire, and EMS service for the Jamestown community. We will be innovative in learning and embracing new technologies and services. Our training will continually be improved and reflect the ever-changing technological advances. We will share our successes, listen, and learn from others.
  - Fire prevention is not a concept, it is a reality. We believe in public education, code development and enforcement, comprehensive fire investigations, fire inspections, plan reviews, and providing non-emergency support services designed to provide a safe community.
  - We value our employees and their contributions. They are our most valuable resource. We seek their involvement, and will strive to create a positive climate conducive to their improvement.

## **STATIONS**

**Fire Station 1** is located at Jamestown City Hall, and houses the Department's Ladder trucks, as well as the Medic 35 unit, Ambulance 1, Marine 1 that is a water rescue craft, and the heavy-duty rescue unit. All the Department's administrative offices are at Station 1.

**Fire Station 3** is located at 422 Newland Avenue. Station 3 was built in 1949 and was dedicated to Firefighter Elmer R. Berry, who was killed in action in Luxembourg during World War II. It serves the south side of the City.

**Fire Station 4** serves the east side of the City from its location at the corner of Allen and Buffalo Streets. Station 4 was built in 1930 and to replace the old Station 4, which was at the corner of East Second Street & Kipp Street and replaced Station 6 at Allen Street near Tiffany Avenue.

**Fire Station 5** is located at 195 Fairmount Avenue and serves the west side of the City. This historic building was part of Chief Wilson's station reorganization and relocation plan in 1911. It was built in 1913 to accommodate Engine Co. 5, which was moved from West Fifth Street to this current location. From this station, Walter H. Kastenhuber, Oscar H. Bloom, Raymond W. Allison, and Harold Anderson responded to the Atlantic-Richfield Fire on June 19, 1934. They, along with three civilians were killed because of this horrific fire. Many others, including Chief Clifton Beatty were injured.

Our administrative offices are located at Station 1 on Spring Street in the City Hall Building. Our offices are open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday for non-emergency information or assistance. Included in these offices are the Fire Prevention Office and Inspection & Investigate Office. The non-emergency office number is 716-483-7598, and is available during normal business hours.

## **EMS DIVISION 2018**

In December 2018, Firefighter Robert Smith was assigned to the duties of EMS Supervisor, replacing recently promoted Battalion Chief Donald Mowry, who held the position before Robert. Firefighter Smith joined the department in February 2015, and has quickly become a valuable asset to the Jamestown Fire Department. This information below is a summary of the EMS data from 2018 and compiled by Firefighter Smith.

The EMS division of JFD operates and maintains two EMS specific vehicles. Medic 35 is a fly car that provides basic life support services for EMS calls, and motor vehicle accidents within their assigned districts. Ambulance 1 is a NYS DOH certified basic life support ambulance that responds to all EMS calls anywhere in the City of Jamestown when the primary ambulance service is out of service. We also have three Engine Companies that respond to medical emergencies in their assigned districts throughout the city. The Engine Companies are equipped with the same life-saving equipment as Medic 35.

2018 has been a record year for the EMS division of JFD, responding to 4392 calls for medical emergencies, including 532 Ambulance transports, 46 motor vehicle accidents, 25 lift assists, and 33 administrations of Narcan, up from 3981 total calls for the service in 2017.

JFD has 47 NYS certified Basic EMTs and four NYS certified Paramedics, all of which are trained and recertified every three years. JFD participates in the NYS Continuing Medical Education program, which allows us to recertify EMTs within the department. In 2018, 16 EMTs were recertified. Training is conducted at least monthly on topics that are required by the state totaling 1,352 man-hours of training for 2018.



In January 2018, we purchased lifesaving portable suction devices to all front-line apparatus in order to provide a higher level of care than we have been able to in the past.

In first quarter 2018, we completed the annual WREMAC credentialing where members are tested and recertified in AED operation, Blood Sugar monitoring, as well as Narcan, Albuterol, and Epinephrine administration.

In December 2018, we were visited by the NYS DOH for an agency inspection where all policies, DOH certified vehicles, and training records were inspected for accuracy and compliance. JFD ranked in the top 10% of agencies in the State in that we were not cited for any infractions.





## **COMMUNICATIONS**

“KD-30955” or J-Fire are the Jamestown Fire Departments call numbers on the Chautauqua County Radio system. All 911 and non-emergency calls received from the City of Jamestown automatically transfer to the Chautauqua County Sheriff’s Department Dispatch Center in Mayville, where trained dispatchers determine the problem, send the appropriate assistance and, if necessary, contact other companies such as the City of Jamestown BPU and DPW and National Fuel Gas.

## **MAINTENANCE DIVISION**

Fire Alarm & Maintenance Supervisor (FAMS) Cris Dahlgren oversees the maintenance of all the Departments vehicles and fire stations, as well as the Complete Gamewell system.

Firefighter Lieutenant Bruce Sheldon and a number of other skilled Firefighters that offer their assistance in between answering fire & EMS calls assist him on a regular basis. FAMS Dahlgren conducts the NFPA fire pump testing on the seven fire apparatus and coordinates and oversees the required annual NFPA fire hose testing. FAMS Dahlgren also schedules and reviews annual aerial ladder testing of the two ladder trucks and ensures that necessary repairs are completed as recommended by the testing company if needed. When there is work that cannot be performed in house (Fire Station), it is scheduled with the City of Jamestown Fleet Maintenance Division or an appropriate outside service.

The Gamewell system is comprised of a combination of over 125 street and Master boxes. These are distributed on eight circuits that circle and often overlap in the city business districts and neighborhoods. These circuits contain total over 48 miles of alarm wire in the city. FAMS

Dahlgren will refurbish boxes, transfer wires to new poles, and occasionally reroute existing circuits.

FAMS Dahlgren was granted a BSME by Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. He is also a fire officer being a Fire Lieutenant prior to this appointment completing the month long First Line Supervisor Training Program (FLSTP) with FDNY in 2008. As a career firefighter, he is required to complete state-mandated annual training alongside the line firefighters and will fill both officer and command vacancies as needed. He also is required to be an EMT and does the necessary training to recertify every three years. FAMS Dahlgren does report to each and every fire scene to ensure pumps are performing correctly and provide transport of SCBA bottles and even fire suppression support if necessary.



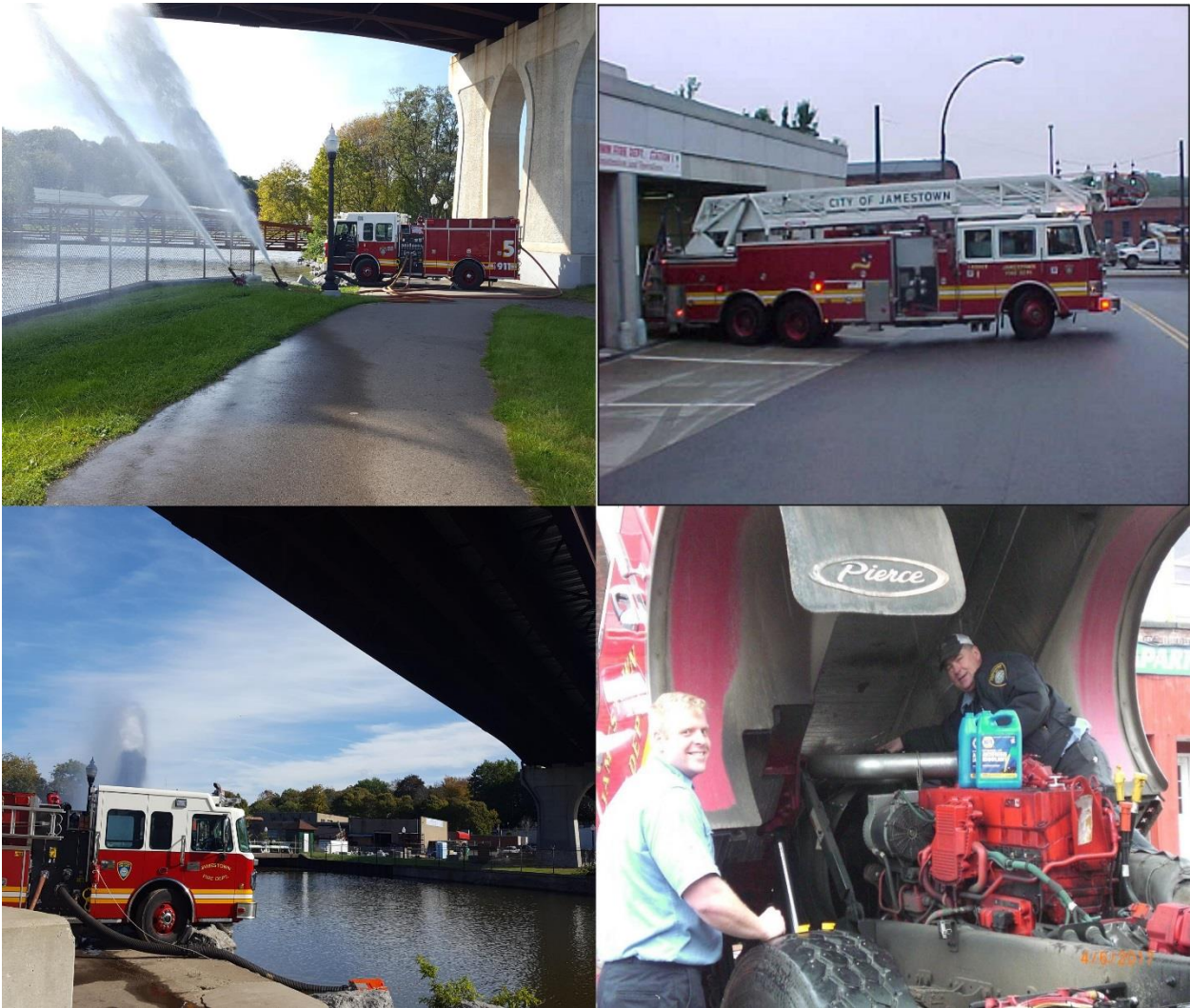
## **MAINTENANCE NOTABLES**

Notable duties performed this year are:

1. Emergency gamewell system repairs throughout the year.
2. Window replacement at station 4
3. Painting Buffalo street entry door at station 4
4. Repairs to front of station 4 w/ Lt Sheldon crew
5. Overhead door adjustments and lubrication @all stations
6. Service small engines on Mowers, pumps, generators etc.
7. Accompany City Insurance inspector on tour of all Fire Stations
8. Meet with boiler inspector at station 5.
9. Refit station 5 with new radio amplifier, speakers, and wiring.
10. Refit station 4 with new radio amplifier.
11. Service and maintain the Nederman Exhaust extractors at all stations.
12. Test all 7 fire pumps to NFPA 1911 compliance
13. Test all fire hose to NFPA 1965 compliance
14. Assisted crews in refurbishing two rooms at station 5. Paint etc.
15. Repaired door 1 at station 1, which was delaminating.
16. Placed new command unit in service. Lt Sheldon installed emergency lights & radios.
17. Pump plumbing on L2
18. Pump plumbing on E3
19. Pump packing replacement on E3.
20. Lubricated fire nozzles on as needed basis per mfg. specification.
21. Painted several downtown Gamewell items in anticipation of the opening of the National Comedy Center.
22. Repaired Exhaust fan on Station 1 Nederman
23. Participated in state fire training program. Tactical Fire Ground simulations
24. Oversee repair to A1 air conditioning to ensure the vehicle complies with Part 800
25. L1 & L2 aerial tested by Underwriters Lab. Made appropriate repairs to comply with NFPA requirements.
26. Oversaw L1 at Fleet maint for issue with cooling fan and EGR valve.



- 27. E5 at Fleet Maint for continued issues with Cummins DEF system.
- 28. Rebuilt pump primer on E3.
- 29. Replace water tank level gauge E4
- 30. Repaired drain on LR discharge E2. (Lt Sheldon)
- 31. Purchased Floating strainer to make pump testing feasible at locations on the Chadakoin.



## **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE**

Code Enforcement Officer Shawn D. Tibbitts staffs the Office of Fire Prevention & Code Enforcement.



During the year, Officer Tibbitts handles many questions and concerns from city residents covering a wide range of topics. These are a few examples:

- Smoke detector placement and lack of smoke detectors
- Blocked emergency exits
- Fire extinguisher use
- Portable heating units
- Obstructed or blocked fire hydrants
- Illegal burning
- Inspection of public assemblies
- Acceptable building materials
- How to store flammable liquids
- Carbon monoxide detectors
- Chimney, fireplace, and woodstove inquiries

- Electrical problems
- Responding to general fire code questions
- Fire Prevention Education

The Fire Prevention Bureau/Code Enforcement Office is essentially responsible for the enforcement of the New York State Uniform Prevention and Building Code, along with the City of Jamestown Building Codes. The primary goal of the Code Enforcement Office is to protect the public safety through education and enforcement of State and City building codes.

On-site training in a variety of topics is presented to groups by request during the year. Some of this training included:

- Fire Prevention for new staff at TRC
- Fire Prevention for staff and students at G.A. Learning Center
- Hands Only CPR/Fire Prevention for staff at Chautauqua Adult Daycare
- Fire Prevention for residents at Covenant Manor

Officer Tibbitts also participated in several seminars and training sessions during the year:

- NYS FLYST Training in New York City
- Monthly meetings of the City of Jamestown Electrical Board
- Labor Day Committee



## **FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION**

Many schoolchildren, as well as adults, toured the City Fire Stations in 2018. The tours were personalized for each group and fire safety is highlighted so that each individual, no matter their age, will be reminded of what steps to follow in the event of a fire.

Fire crews also visited many area schools and public events in 2018. The highlights of these visits are always especially important during Fire Prevention Month in October. The crews talk about fire safety and distribute safety materials to help in case of an emergency.

The following businesses and organizations are among those that obtained fire safety education from the Jamestown Fire Department in 2018:

- Jamestown Tiger, Cub, and Boy Scout Troops
- The Resource Center DayHab clients
- Hillcrest Baptist Church Preschool
- Lincoln Elementary School Students
- Fletcher Elementary School Students
- C.C. Ring Elementary School Students
- Bush Elementary School Students



## **FIRE INVESTIGATION REPORT 2018**

2018 began on a somber note for the Jamestown Fire Investigation Team. A residential structure fire claimed the life of a 74 y/o city resident on January 18, 2018. The cause of this fatal fire was ruled accidental. Additionally, three civilian burn injuries were reported as a direct result of structure fires in the City of Jamestown in 2018. The Team investigated 49 fires, a 19.6% decrease from 2017. Of the 49 investigated fires, 15 of them deemed arson or intentional. This was a 58.3% decrease compared to 2017 total arson fires. Joint investigations by the Jamestown Police and Fire Departments resulted in the arrest and subsequent arson conviction of a City man. The alleged serial arsonist from 2017 has completed their journey through the Pennsylvania Justice system and now awaits trial here in Chautauqua County for the 12 arsons allegedly committed here in Jamestown and surrounding communities in 2017. As in years past, arson continues to be of significant concern and cause of fires in the City of Jamestown.



Fatal fire -21 Carey Place, 1/18/18

On January 19, 2018, members of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Platoon were dispatched to a working structure fire at 24 Phillips St. After an extensive battle to control the fire, members of the Jamestown Fire Investigation Team went to work determining Cause and Origin. After a thorough investigation, investigators determined the fire was deliberately set and arson was deemed the cause, all while a suspect remained on scene. This suspect was subsequently arrested and charged with the crime of arson in connection with this fire, as well as similar charges related to another fire he started at 12 Mount Vernon Place in November of 2017. Having been found guilty of his arson charges, he is currently serving his sentence within the NYS Penal System. A very strong, talented and tenacious team effort between JPD and JFD Investigators resulted in the arrest and conviction of yet another arsonist in our fair city.



Arson fire - 24 Phillips St. 1/19/18





Arson fire – 208 W.8<sup>th</sup> St. - 9/4/18

The Fire Investigation Team is led by Lieutenant Tim Glenn and consists of nine investigators, seven of whom are JFD members, and two from JPD. Five of the investigators are nationally registered and have passed the NFPA 1033 Professional Board Exam. The JFD Code Enforcement Officer is also a trained Level II Fire Investigator. Both JPD Fire Investigators serve on the Chautauqua County Forensics Team. The Team works closely with the Police Department's Crime Scene Evidence Detective. With the anticipated retirement of at least two Senior Investigators in 2020, the Team has recently added four new trainee investigators this year to begin their extensive training in the field of Fire Investigation. In addition to the trainees beginning their training, which will take up to 2 yrs. to complete for National certification as a Level II Investigator, all members of the Team attend and participate in training throughout the year. Adhering to the most current NFPA 921 and 1033 requirements for Fire Investigators, each investigator maintains currency with at least 12 hrs. of tested training, in addition to a minimum of 12 hrs. field investigation work and having their National Pro-Board certification. The Teams' training is nothing short of top notch and they are considered experts in their field. The Team this year was also fortunate enough to have been able to procure new technology in the form of a four gas and a six gas VOC Metering Device, which will be a welcome addition to the toolbox of investigative devices.



Accidental Fire – Overheated NG space heater – 106 Charles St. - 3/9/18

Breakdown of Fire Investigations 2018 – 49 fires investigated

- 1-Fatality
- 3- Civilian injuries
- 15 – Arson
- 8-occupied structures
- 7-multiple family residence
- 1-single family residence
- 5-Vacant structures
- 2-rubbish/trash

8-undetermined

5-multiple possible causes

2-vehicles

1-scrap yard

8-Electrical

5-Smoking

3-Unattended candle/gas burner

1-Meth lab

1-Overheated gas heater

1-Overheated oven

1-Cooking fire

1-Spontaneous combustion

1-Fireworks

1-Charcoal grill

1-Improper use of fireplace

1-Combustibles too close to gas stove

1-Dryer fire

2008 - 63 investigated fires, 37 ruled arson

2009 - 63 investigated fires, 34 ruled arson

2010 - 41 investigated fires, 18 ruled arson

2011 - 59 investigated fires, 22 ruled arson

2012 - 50 investigated fires, 24 ruled arson

2013 - 36 investigated fires, 14 ruled arson

2014 - 49 investigated fires, 20 ruled arson

2015 - 61 investigated fires, 31 ruled arson

2016 - 46 investigated fires, 21 ruled arson

2017 - 61 investigated fires, 36 ruled arson

2018 – 49 investigated fires, 15 ruled arson



Arson fire – Meth lab – Severe civilian burn injury – 39 Prospect St. - 11/24/18



## **TRAINING**

One thing is for sure in the life of any firefighter is training. New York State law mandates a minimum of 100 hours of training per year for each professional firefighter. In every fire station in the city, and at every platoon level, training classes are held often and on a variety of subjects. These subjects include fire behavior, fire protection, personal safety, rescues, equipment training for fire pumps and aerial ladders, hazardous materials handling, first aid and CPR, the cause and origins of arson fires, apparatus maintenance, and sprinklers and fire alarms.

Specialty classes are held from time to time on various types of rescues and equipment, along with, confined space training, hazardous materials, flammable gasses, high angle rescue, ice and water rescue, and emergency vehicle operation









## PLATOON PHOTOS

### First Platoon



Front Left to Right: FF Gary Ingerson, FF Andrew Caruso, FF Eric Herman, FF James Russo, FF Steve Johnston, Lieutenant Shawn Shilling, Lieutenant Robert Bailey, Lieutenant Nathan Alm, FF Josh Benson, FAMS Lieutenant Cris Dahlgren, Battalion Chief Matthew Coon. Back Row Left to Right: FF John Volpe, FF Russ Ferraloro, and FF Milt Johnson.

### Second Platoon



Front Left to Right: FF Emily Webster, FF Ben McLaughlin, FF Adam Akin. Back Left to Right: FF Chris Hendrickson FF Alex Clifford, FF Rob Smith, FF Evan VandeVelde, Lt. Brian Achterberg, Battalion Chief Don Mowry, Lt. Jon Winchester, and Lt. Ryan Roush

### Third Platoon



Front Row left to right: Tucker, FF Emily Webster, FF Ben Sample, FF Nick Madden, FF Jacob Sigular. Back Row left to right: FF Paul Volpe, Lt Keith Olson, BC Andrew Finson, FF Brock Wadsworth, Lt. Tim Glenn, FF Steve Johnston, FF Chris Swanson, FF Kyle Sholl, and Lt. John Johnston.

### Fourth Platoon



From Left to Right: Lt. James Gatto, FF Nick Amatuzzo, FF Jeff Hatch, FF Ryan Saunders, FF Dan Mangione. Back Left to Right: FF Dan Balling, Lt. Phil Hanlon, FF Chris Jackson, Lt. Bruce Sheldon, FF Jason Winchester, Battalion Chief Roger Sigular, and FF Nick Grunert. On truck: FAMS Cris Dahlgren.



## HELLO.....



Jesus "Tony" Garcia joined the department in October 2018. Prior to joining the department, Jesus was a 2 year apprentice with Moonlight Electric. Jesus lives in Jamestown with his wife Nickcole and their five children.



Hunter Thorpe joined the department in July 2018. Prior to joining the department, Hunter had been employed by Cummins. Hunter lives in Jamestown with his family. We are proud to have Hunter on board.

## GOODBYE.....



Firefighter Mark Federko joined the department in July 1987. He served as a first responder for 31 years until his retirement in November 2018. We wish Mark well in his retirement and were very lucky to have him as part of the Jamestown Fire Department.

## **PROMOTIONS**



Battalion Chief Donald Mowry joined the Jamestown Fire Department in February 1988.

Donald was promoted to Lieutenant in February 2009. Donald was promoted to Battalion Chief of the Second Platoon.



Lieutenant Jon Winchester joined the Jamestown Fire Department in February 2008. Jon quickly became a skilled firefighter and also EMT.

Jon is assigned as Lieutenant to the Second Platoon in Station One, City Hall.

## **HOMETOWN HERO**



In May 2018, Firefighter Eric Herman was chosen as a recipient for the Hometown Hero Award, awarded by the Southwestern Chapter of the Red Cross. Eric joined the department in September 2008, and quickly became a valuable asset to the Jamestown Fire Department. Eric received the Humanitarian Award, as he purchased a custom hockey jersey and Jamestown Fire Department hat for a young boy he recently met with special needs, just one of the random acts of kindness he performs regularly. Thank you Eric for your continued dedication and service to the residents of Jamestown.

## **An End of an Era**



Retiring Deputy Fire Chief, Chester R. Harvey Jr. joined the Jamestown fire in September 1984 as a firefighter. He quickly became a valued first responder, and was promoted to lieutenant in September 1992, captain in 1998, Battalion Chief in 2004, and finally Deputy Chief in May 15, 2010. For over 34 years, Chief Harvey was a leader and mentor to many firefighters in Jamestown. Chief Harvey retired November 2018. All the best for an amazing retirement! Enjoy your new chapter in life.



## **And the Beginning of a New Era**



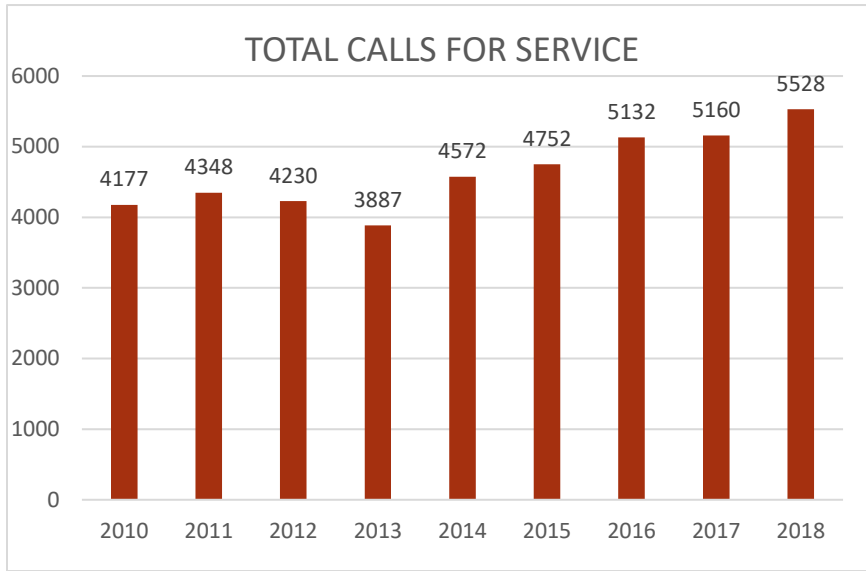
Newly promoted Deputy Fire Chief, Samuel B Salemme, joined the Jamestown Fire Department in February 1990. Sam was promoted to Lieutenant in May 2000, and later was promoted to Battalion Chief in August 2005. During the years at Jamestown Fire Department, Chief Salemme has had the opportunity to shape the lives of rookie firefighters who looked to him for guidance. In November 2018, Chief Salemme was promoted to the position of Deputy Fire Chief of the Jamestown Fire Department. Chief Salemme is from Jamestown where he and his wife Tracy, raised their two grown children. Welcome Deputy Chief Salemme and thank you for your many years of continuing service.

## SERVING THE COMMUNITY

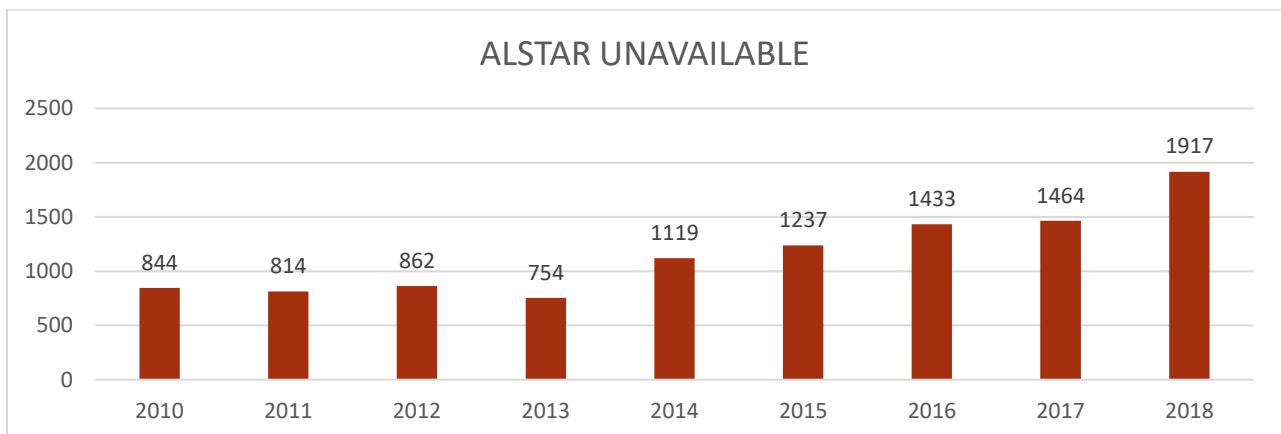
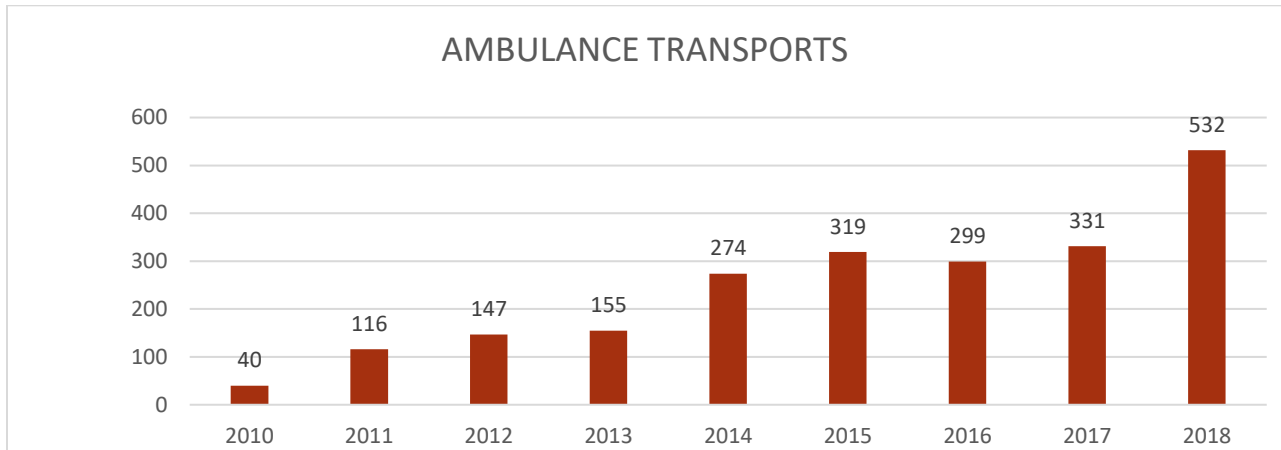


In November 2018 and December 2018, various members of the Jamestown Fire Department took part in the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign. This yearly event raises money for the local Salvation Army and goes to assist with helping less fortunate members of our community. Pictured here: Left picture: FF Alex Clifford and FF Emily Webster. Top Right: Deputy Chief Sam Salemme and Administrative Assistant Melodie Perrin. Bottom Right: FF Evan VandeVelde and FF Chris Hendrickson.

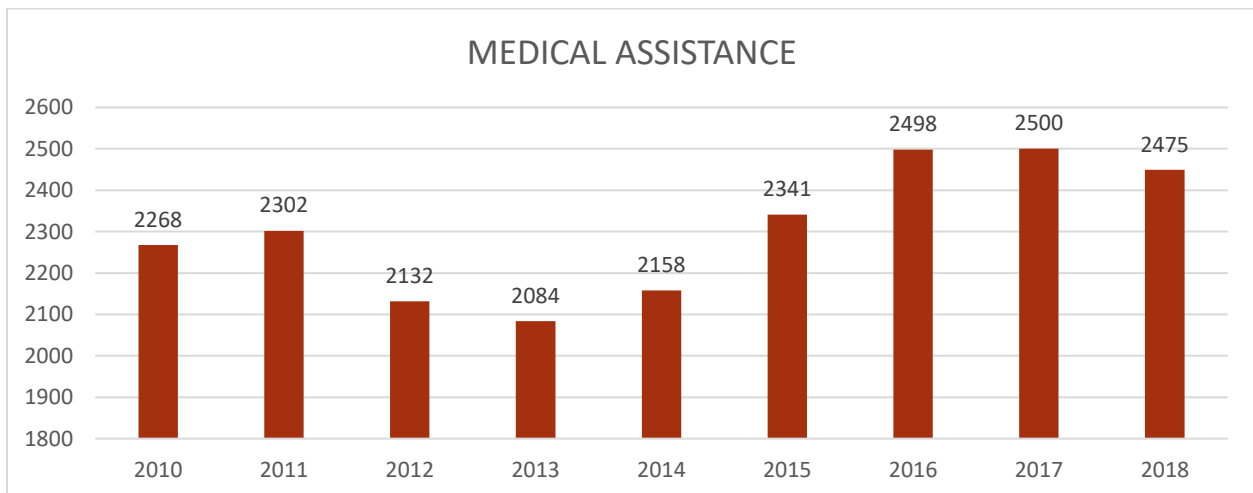
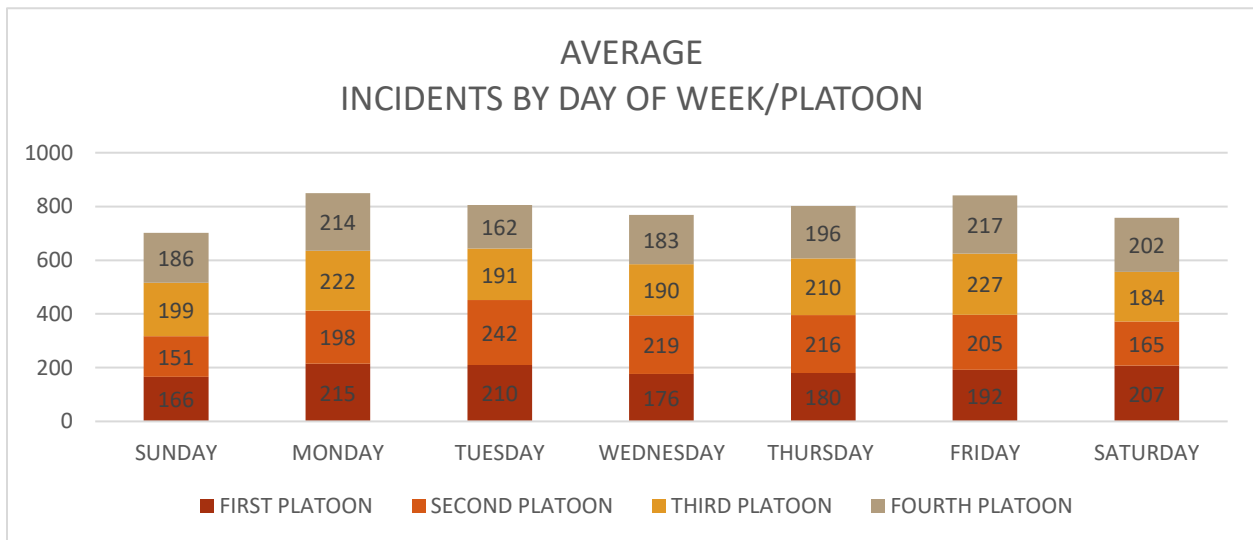
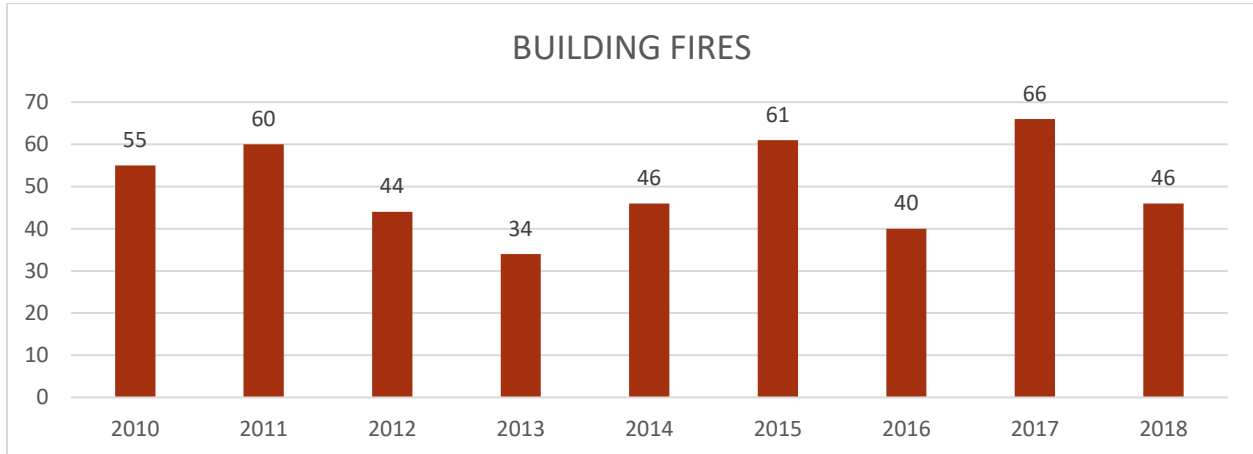
## STATISTICS OF INTEREST



There were 2,245 overlapping calls in 2018. Meaning 40.6% of the time, two or more emergencies were happening simultaneously.



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### **INCIDENT TYPE SUMMARY BY CITY DISTRICT**

DISTRICT	FALSE	FIRE	GOOD	HAZZARD	OVERPRESSURE	RESCUE	SERVICE	SPECIAL	WEATHER	TOTAL
1	65	27	25	19	1	476	54	4	1	672
2	69	24	27	28	3	1792	73	4	2	2022
3	102	34	42	39	4	1328	74	32	3	1658
4	17	8	25	17	2	182	46	1	0	298
5	36	13	16	15	1	297	33	2	0	413
6	47	10	19	20	1	316	44	3	2	462
N/A	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
TOTAL	336	118	154	138	12	4392	324	46	8	5528

### **CAUSE OF IGNITION SUMMARY REPORT**

<b><u>CAUSE OF IGNITION</u></b>	<b><u>COUNT</u></b>	<b><u>% OF ALL FIRES</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL EST. LOSS</u></b>
INTENTIONAL	3	3.37%	\$1,000
INCENDIARY	4	4.49%	\$541,750
UNINTENTIONAL	42	47.19%	\$348,290
UNATTENDED	1	1.12%	\$4,000
FAILURE OF EQUIPMENT	8	8.98%	\$18,750
UNDER INVESTIGATION	12	13.48%	\$419,230
DISCARDED SMOKING MATERIAL	4	4.49%	\$2,350
UNDETERMINED AFTER INVESTIGATION	4	4.49%	\$59,050
CAUSE UNDETERMINED	11	12.35%	\$252,000

## **STATISTICS OF INTEREST**

2018 Mutual Aid Received from					
Department	Total	EMS Transports	Cancelled	Fires	Other
Falconer	50	40	10	0	0
Celoron	15	15	0	0	0
Busti	11	11	0	0	0
Kiantone	14	12	3	0	0
Kennedy	2	1	0	1	0
Lakewood	2	1	0	1	0
Fluvanna	29	29	0	0	0
Frewsburg	1	1	0	0	0
County HazMat	1	0	0	0	0
	125	110	13	2	0



