



CITY OF DANBURY
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE
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March 29, 2005

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Mark D. Boughton
Members of the Common Council

From: Acting Chief Mitchell B. Weston

Subject: **Police Department Monthly Report
March 2005**

I submit this report of the activities of the Danbury Police Department for the month of March.

Personnel

Department – 144 sworn personnel. 5 officers remain out on injury leave.

Community Services (See attached)

Training

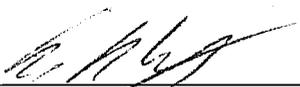
3/1 Caring for the Organizational Spirit – Capts. Myles & Shanahan
3/2-3/4 Advanced Homicide Investigations – Det. Norkus
3/3 Supervisor & Executive Level Management Training – Emotion Survival
or Malcontent Cops – Capts. Myles & Mulvey & Lt. Gantert
3/4 Terrorism & the Suicide Bomber – P.O. Wochek
3/7-3/10 Tactical Interviewing Program – Det. Sgt. Williams
3/7-3/11 Advanced Crime Scene Processing – P.O. Antedomenico
3/9 State & Local Anti-Terrorism Training – Sgt. McNally
3/14-3/18 Training Seminar on “Computer Crime Investigation” – Det. Bertram
3/18 The Bulletproof Mind: Psychological Preparation for Combat – Det.
Bishop, Sgt. Carroccio, P.Os. Lowe, Martinez, Carroccio & Marcus
3/21 Firearms Duty Weapon Qualifications – Many Officers

- 3/21-3/25 Regional Review Training – Many Officers
- 3/23-3/24 Informant Management, 2nd Session – Det. Lalli
- 3/28-3/29 Arnold Markle Symposium – Capt. Sullo, Det. Brooks & P.O. Brooks
- 3/28-4/1 Vehicle Interception Procedures, Extraction and Restraint (VIPER) – P.O. Lebron
- 3/29-3/31 Police Involved Shootings – Det. Lt. Lopes

Acting Chief Weston's Significant Meetings

- 3/1 Common Council Meeting
- 3/2 MIT Advisory Council
- 3/2 Meeting with Chief Designee Alan Baker
- 3/4 Staff Meeting & Awards Board – Police Department
- 3/7 “Meet the Chief” Public Forum
- 3/10 Swearing-In Ceremony – Departmental Promotions
- 3/16 Awards Board – Police Department
- 3/18 American Red Cross Breakfast – Amber Room
- 3/21 Recertification Class - WCSU
- 3/22 Recertification Class (teaching) - WCSU
- 3/23 Hiring Practices Meeting – Internal Affairs
- 3/24 FBI Academy Luncheon Meeting – Ethan Allen

Respectfully submitted,



Mitchell B. Weston
Acting Chief of Police

MBW:mrl
Attach.



DANBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

DATE: MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2005
TO: DETECTIVE CAPTAIN M.WESTON, ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE
CC: CAPTAIN A. SULLO, ACTING DEPUTY CHIEF
FROM: LIEUTENANT PETER F. GANTERT
RE: **MARCH 2005, ACTIVITY REPORT: COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION**

Detective Captain M. Weston, Acting Chief of Police,

The following is a brief overview of activities engaged in by officers of the Community Services Division for the time period of February 15, 2005 to March 15, 2005.

Numerous events and meetings were organized, participated and planned by members of the Community Services Division during the month to include the following:

- ❑ **Citizens Police Academy Session#13** – Started March 15, 2005: conducted the first two classes of the ten-week program.
- ❑ **Citizens Police Academy Session#14**- Currently recruiting and planning the next session of the Citizen Police Academy for the Summer/Fall of 2005. Anyone interested in attending should contact the community Affairs Office at 797 4644 – seats will be filled quickly.
- ❑ **Child Passenger Safety Fitting Station** – Weekly at CSD Building Monday mornings by appointment only. Currently our department has twelve federally certified Child Passenger Safety Seat Technicians, two of which are Federally Certified Instructor. **55** seat were checked/installed this month **YTD 137. (2004 YTD 666).**
- ❑ **Tribuna Crime Prevention/Education Articles**- Bi monthly crime prevention/education articles written by members of the Community Affairs office.
- ❑ **City Center Board Meeting**- Monthly Meeting

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- ❑ **Chamber of Commerce Home Show-** March 5 & 6, 2005 Approximately 700 free gun locks were distributed and 150 Computer Cop (internet Safety software) were distributed to residents of the greater Danbury Area.
- ❑ **Danbury Hospital Safety Day-** March 19, 2005, Tours of police vehicles were conducted for children attending this event with over 250 free gun locks and 400 Computer Cop (internet safety software) were distributed to the participants of this event. In addition to this, safety information was provided to the participants concerning many crime prevention topics and children safety.
- ❑ **V.A.L.E. Meeting-** 2/16/05, 2/23/05, 2/2/05 & 2/9/05
- ❑ **Wild Winter Warm** – February 27, 2005
- ❑ **St Patrick's Day Parade** – March 13, 2005
- ❑ **Beaver Street Co-op Easter Egg Hunt** – March 25, 2005
- ❑ **PAL Programs:** Basketball League, Bowling League, Signups for Softball program, Wrestling Tournament
- ❑ **PAL Events/Fundraisers:** Antique Show (April), Wicker Show and Pro Wrestling Event, Banner Supporter Program
- ❑ **FBI/Collect Audit** – FBI audit scheduled for April 14th, 2005, Collect Audit took place March 17th, 2005
- ❑ **Updated Alarm Holder Contact Information** – Ongoing by Sergeant Brunelli
- ❑ **Worked with Fire Department Communications personnel to reduce unnecessary police response to minor medical issues. Fire Department currently doing a study of call to determine proper response.**
- ❑ **CPTED/Security Survey for victim of Burglary** – Sector 2 resident
- ❑ **PAL's Easter Egg Hunt** – Rogers Park
- ❑ **PAL Annual Carnival** – April 8-24, 2005 North street Shopping Center
- ❑ **Liquor Control Operation 3/12/05-** Twenty (20) package stores and One (1) grocery store were check in a joint operation between the State Liquor Control Agency and members of the Danbury Police Department. Seven (7) of the Twenty-one (21) locations checked were found to have sold alcohol to underage individuals. This gives Danbury a 35% compliancy rating, far above the states 20% compliancy. All locations found to be in violation were cited by Liquor Control Agents and face disciplinary sanctions at the state level.

Community Policing Unit:

Sergeant Jonas Karcz

Community Policing Unit: Bicycle patrol: 7 officers {2 Ofc Vacant}: Officers Timothy Strano, Marcel Kruijs, Paul Carroccio, Tom Collins, Steven Cameron, Michelle Brown, Lenny Labonia, {Vacant}, {Vacant}

With the one-year leave of absence granted to Officer Trevor Horten, and the reassignment of Officer Hayes leaves the Community Policing Unit two Officers short at this time.

- Due to Sergeant DeRocco's reassignment to the Patrol Division, interviews were held for interested candidates for the Supervisor vacancy in the Community policing Unit. Sergeant Jonas Karcz, a 32-year veteran of the department with over 24 years of supervisory experience was selected to staff this position. Sergeant Karcz stated his new assignment as of 3/ 14/05.

Monthly activity: The community policing officers made (4) arrests this month, (2) for warrants and (0) drug related, (unk) parking tickets were issued, and (23) State infractions were also issued, including (1) for drinking in public, (4) for loitering and (1) for simple trespass. In addition the above enforcement activity they handled (76) calls for service. Downtown Traffic Enforcement detail: (unk) infractions, (unk) parking, (unk) verbal warnings. ** Due to DeRocco's reassignment he is unable to provide accurate numbers for this month report due to the transfer of his documents on the city server. One he is able to retrieve this information it will be included in the next monthly report.*

Officers are currently addressing the issues at Kennedy Ave Park. Currently officer are coming in at 07:00 hrs and monitoring and managing this area for criminal and quality of life issues.

This unit is also proactively addressing the quality of life issues plaguing our dining and Entertaining District. They have been working with other unit within our department, city and with other state agencies.

Graffiti Task-force: 1 officer: Officer Kenneth Utter (203.796.1662)

The Graffiti Task-force is tasked with the identification of graffiti, graffiti writers as well as the clean up of graffiti on public property. Officer Utter continued his partnership with the court system, coordinating community service ordered work by GA#3. This has resulted in the removal of thousands of dollars worth of damage at no cost to city residents.

In addition to the above listed duties this position has been expanded to target illegal-dumping issues plagued by the city and it's residents and provides training to department officers in the areas of graffiti and gangs. He also provides this unique training to other area police departments.

Community Affairs Unit:

- ❖ **Community Affairs Unit: 2 Officers 1 Civilian:** Ofc. Mortara, Ofc. Bobel, Victim Advocate Sheree Surdam

The community Affairs Unit is tasked with the responsibility of all community outreach and safety programs conducted by the Danbury Police Department. In addition to this, the Community Affairs unit is responsible for crime prevention activities, injury prevention, Total Occupant Safety, Neighborhood mediation along with our new VALE program. Officer Bobel and our Information System will also fall under this unit's supervision, which includes the overseeing of our critical IMS/RMS/MDC systems.

For Department stats please see the attached department Activity Report prepared by Officer Bobel.

Special Programs Unit:

PAL Director: Sergeant Robert Guerrero, **PAL Event Coordinator:** Thomas Mack
Communications/ Fleet Supervisor: Sergeant Joseph Brunelli **Fleet Specialist:** Special Officer Ronald Newkirk

Is directly supervised by the Commanding Officer of the Community Services Division and consists mainly of support services for the department. Under this unit are two fulltime units staffed by two sergeants and one civilian. In addition to this there are four part-time units staffed on an as needed basis, which consist of the Honor Guard, Chaplains, Recruiting Officer and Mobile Operations Center Team.

Police Activities League: Sergeant Robert Guerrero (203.778.4725)

Sgt. Guerrero currently runs PAL operations with the assistance of Ret. Detective Lt. Thomas Mack.

Communications / Fleet Management: Sergeant Joseph Brunelli, SPO Newkirk (203.797.4673)

Sgt. Brunelli is tasked with the daily duties of managing and supervising the department's school crossing guards and dispatchers. In addition to this he is responsible for overseeing our fleet of vehicles to keep them in operating condition.

- Sergeant Brunelli has submitted a letter requesting reassignment to the Patrol Division.
- Sgt Brunelli conducts weekly vehicle inspection in cooperation with the working 8-4 field supervisors.

School Crossing Guards:

Sgt Brunelli has requested a meeting with the Chief's office, BOE and the mayor's office to discuss the current problems with the school crossing guards program. This is being done in hopes of addressing these issues in a proactive manner so this program is operating efficiently and providing the appropriate coverage of our crossings.

- Currently four guards short causing Officer to cover – request submitted to have slots filled as soon as possible

Miscellaneous Info:

Stolen Motor vehicles: 6 Stolen License Plates: 17

Fleet Vehicle Service calls: 50

- ❖ **Mobile Operations Center Team:** Lt. Gantert, Sgt. Williams, Lopes, Russo & Officers LeRose, Mortara, Maher, Bobel, Lobraico

Officers are responsible for the operation and supervision of this vehicle during any emergency deployment or scheduled event where this vehicle can be utilized.

Deployment:

None



Lieutenant Peter F. Gantert

Community Services Division

Contact Information for The Community Services Division of the Danbury Police Department

Community Services Division: Commanding Officer:

Lieutenant Peter F. Gantert (203.797.4577)

<u>Community Affairs Unit:</u>	<u>Information Systems Unit</u>
Officer Jay Mortara (797.4644)	Officer Steven Bobel (796.1564)
<u>Police Activities League:</u>	<u>Communications/ Fleet Maintenance</u>
Sergeant Robert Guerrera (778.4PAL)	Sgt Joseph Brunelli (797.4673)
<u>Community Policing Unit</u>	<u>Victim Advocate Law Enforcement</u>
Sgt Rory DeRocco (796.1635)	Advocate Sheree Surdam (796.8017)
<u>Taskforce Against Graffiti Coordinator</u>	<u>Honor Guard</u>
Officer Kenneth Utter (796.1662)	Sergeant J. Brian Murphy (797.4611)
<u>Mobile Operations Center Team</u>	<u>Recruiting</u>
Lt Peter Gantert (797.4577)	Officer Jay Mortara (797.4644)
<u>School Crossing Guards</u>	
Sergeant Joseph Brunelli (797.4673)	



DANBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT

ACTIVITY REPORT

January 21, 2005 – February 20, 2005

Call Dispositions

January 21, 2005 - February 20, 2005

Disposition	Dispatched	Self-Initiated	Total	YTD
Administrative Assignment	61	16	77	117
Animal Bite	1		1	1
Animal Complaint	8		8	16
Animal Nuisance				25
Arrest Adult	418		418	878
Arrest Young Offender	1		1	22
Arrest Warrant Service	17	3	20	28
Assault-Knife				1
Assault-Simple	11		11	15
Assault-Other Dangerous Weapon	2		2	4
Assault-Strongarm	2		2	7
Assignment Complete/No Report	559	91	650	968
Assist Fire Dept.	11	1	12	16
Assist Other Agency	27	2	29	38
Assist/ EMS	79	3	82	134
Assist/ Fire Department	15		15	22
Assist/ Motorist or Person	138	15	153	234
Bad Check				1
Breach of Peace	7	3	10	14
Burglar Alarm-Bldg. Secure	203		203	316
Burglar Alarm-Error	135		135	234
Burglar Alarm-Malfunction	7		7	13
Burglar Alarm-Open Door	26		26	51
Burglary-Attempted				4
Burglary-Unlawful Entry	4		4	2
Burglary-Forcible	8		8	15
Cancel Burg. Alarm	72		72	106
Cancel Holdup Alarm	2		2	3
Child Abuse/Neglect	4		4	6
Civil Complaint	21	1	22	40
Complaint Cancelled	96	1	97	155
Criminal Mischief	18		18	34
Death-Fire	1		1	1
Death-Untimely	5		5	9
Disorderly Conduct	1		1	1
Dispute/ No Disturbance	159	33	192	363
Disturbance/ Fight	13	1	14	27
Domestic/Family Offense - Non-Violent	20		20	30
Domestic/Family Offense - Violent	9		9	18
Door Checks	1	2	3	10
Drug Overdose	1		1	1
Drug Possession-Marijuana	1		1	3
Drug Possession-Opium, Cocaine Der.	2		2	3
Drug Sale-Marijuana	2		2	2
Drug Sale-Opium, Cocaine Der.				2
DUI-Liquor	7		7	10
Duplicate Call	126	3	129	206
E 911 Hangup/ Error	166		166	225
Embezzlement	2		2	3
Escort Duty	3	1	4	4
Fire-No Alarm	2		2	2
Follow Up Investigation	28	42	70	103
Forgery/Counterfeiting	4		4	8
Found Property	3	1	4	7
Fraud	4		4	6
Fraud-Internet	2		2	2
Gone On Arrival	237	21	258	445
Graffiti	2		2	2
Harassment	9		9	16
Hold Up Alarm-Error	7		7	13
Hold Up Alarm-Malf.	1		1	3

Call Dispositions

January 21, 2005 - February 20, 2005

Disposition	Dispatched	Self-Initiated	Total	YTD
Illegal Dumping/ Littering	1		1	2
Incident Report w/Original Case #	21	2	23	38
Incident Unfounded	135	2	137	219
Indecent Exposure	1		1	2
Internal Function	21	9	30	43
Intoxicated Person	24	3	27	43
Issuing Bad Checks				3
Juvenile Investigation	2		2	8
Larceny-Bicycles				1
Larceny-From Building	10		10	16
Larceny-From MV	17		17	37
Larceny-MV Parts	2		2	2
Larceny-Other	27		27	50
Larceny-Shoplifting	30		30	64
Liquor/ Tobacco Violations		4	4	5
Loitering		1	1	2
Lost/ Found Property	6		6	16
Medical Assist	65		65	114
Mental Cases	2		2	4
Missing Adult	9		9	17
Missing Juvenile	3		3	8
Moving Violation	3	20	23	29
MV Accident - Operating Resy				1
MV Accident - Personal Injury	53		53	78
MV Accident - Property Damage	382		382	593
Motor Vehicle Stop	174		174	248
No Report-Complaint Cancelled	67		67	120
Noise Complaint	5		5	7
Parking Violation	153	22	175	210
Police Information	1		1	2
Prevent Breach Of Peace	52	8	60	77
Property Check	3	9	12	19
Property Damage	6		6	10
Prowler	1		1	1
Public Hazards	42	3	45	92
Radar		1	1	1
Robbery-Firearm	1		1	1
Robbery-Knife	1		1	1
Robbery-Strongarm	3		3	5
School Crossing	63		63	105
Sex Offense-Forcible	2		2	3
Sex Offense-Non Forcible	2		2	3
Shots Fired				1
Stolen Motor Vehicle	8		8	15
Suicide-Attempted/Threatened	1		1	3
Suspicious Activity	109	48	157	225
Suspicious Person	2		2	3
Taking MV w/s Owner's Permission				1
Theft Of License Plates	7		7	13
Threatening	4		4	5
Traffic Duty	42	5	46	64
Trespass-Criminal				2
Trespass-Simple	2		2	2
Unwanted Person	12	3	15	54
Verbal Warning Issued	32	130	162	220
Violation Of Restraining Order	1		1	1

Call Dispositions

January 21, 2005 - February 20, 2005

Disposition	Dispatched	Self-Initiated	Total	YTD
Weapon Law Violation-Handguns				1
Warrant Application	1		1	2
Written Warning Issued	1	8	9	11
Wrong Address	1		1	2

Calls For Service Type Summary

January 21, 2005 - February 20, 2005

Type Of Call	Dispatched	Self-Initiated	Total	YTD
Abandoned Motor Vehicle	21	20	41	81
Abduction/Kidnapping	1		1	1
Administrative Call	252	76	328	490
Alarm/Hold Up Type	10		10	20
Alarm-Burglary	465		465	750
Animal Complaint	46	5	51	86
Assault	39		39	68
Assault-In Progress	1		1	2
Assist EMS - Alcohol	44		44	70
Assist EMS - Bleeding	5		5	11
Assist EMS - Cardiac Arrest	1		1	2
Assist EMS - Choking	2		2	3
Assist EMS - Crisis Intervention	43		43	86
Assist EMS - Fall	35		35	56
Assist EMS - Industrial			2	2
Assist EMS - Man Down	36		36	55
Assist EMS - Overdose	6		6	12
Assist EMS - Trauma	2		2	2
Assist FD	4		4	6
Assist FD - HazMat	0		0	1
Assist FD - Lock Out	14		14	18
Assist Other Agency	43	3	46	70
Attempt To Locate Person	2		2	3
Bad Check Complaint		3	3	3
Burglary	19		19	30
Burglary-In Progress	2		2	3
Check Well-Being Of Person	32		32	42
Child Abuse	2	1	3	3
Criminal Mischief	35		35	61
Criminal Mischief-In Progress	2		2	2
Death-Untimely	4		4	5
Dispute-No Disturbance	29	2	31	51
Disturbance	92	30	122	226
Disturbance-Domestic	80	3	83	151
Disturbance-Fight	16	1	17	30
Disturbance-Noise	52	1	53	96
Driving Under Influence	2		2	6
Drowning	1		1	1
Drug Complaint	4	1	5	13
E-911 Hangup	158		158	240
Escort	26	4	30	52
Fire	13		13	17
Follow-Up Investigation	60	106	166	263
Hold-Up	2		2	3
Illegal Dumping/Littering	6		6	8
Illegal Parking	94	66	160	275
Intoxication	41	2	43	64
Juvenile Complaint	5		5	11
Larceny	163	6	169	284
Larceny-In Progress	1		1	1
Lockout/Person Assist	66	8	74	124
Lost/Found Property	18	4	22	34
Medical Assist	13	1	14	21
Missing Person	24		24	44
Motor Vehicle Stop		338	338	464
MV Complaint	50	3	53	94

Calls For Service Type Summary

January 21, 2005 - February 20, 2005

Type Of Call	Dispatched	Self-Initiated	Total	YTD
MVA-Evading Responsibility	74		74	112
MVA-No Injuries	412	8	420	679
MVA-Injuries	62	1	63	106
Notification	2		2	3
Out Of Service	1	2	3	6
Phone Call	8		8	8
Police Information	1		1	2
Prevent Breach Of Peace	63	17	80	114
Property Check	3	17	20	34
Prowler Complaint	2		2	4
Public Hazard	112	6	118	221
Purse Snatching	1		1	2
Radio Check	11		11	13
School Crossing	157		157	249
Sex Complaints	4		4	9
Shots Fired/ Shooting				3
Special/Private Duty Assignment	2	8	10	14
Stolen/Recovered MV	20	2	22	40
Suicide	4		4	8
Suspicious Person/INV/Event	213	45	258	406
Threatening/Harassment	57	1	58	89
Traffic Duty	64	7	71	113
Traffic Enforcement		19	19	34
Trespassing	4	2	6	14
Unwanted Person	20	3	23	54
Warrant Service	41	22	63	86
Total Calls For Service	3522	844	4366	7040