

# 2016 ANNUAL REPORT

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# JOHNSON CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT



The mission of the Johnson City Police Department is the safeguarding of all citizens lives and property, the preservation of their constitutional rights, and to maintain a high standard of quality of life for all of Johnson City's residents and visitors. The police department will strive to develop a police service that meets unique neighborhood needs by combining law enforcement activities with progressive crime prevention strategies.



### UNIFORMED PATROL DIVISION

The Uniform Patrol Division functions as the primary enforcement and crime prevention branch of the Police Department. The Patrol Division is the largest branch of the Department, and serves as the backbone of all police functions.

The Patrol Division is overseen by the Captain and is comprised of 2 Lieutenants, 3 Sergeants, and 19 Patrolman. In 2016, the Patrol Division handled over 11,000 calls for service, 3,373 officer-initiated services, and made over 1,700 arrests.

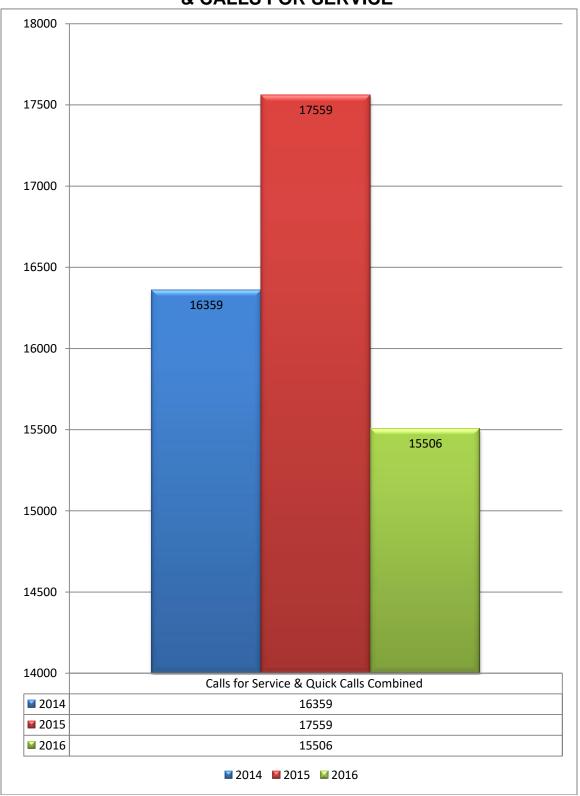
The Uniform Patrol Division is first to respond to citizens' calls for assistance, and usually first to arrive at the scene of an occurrence requiring police action. The Patrol Division is deployed 24 hours a day divided into three 8 hour shifts.

Most citizens' only contact with the police is with a member of the Patrol Division. The public's perception of the effectiveness and professionalism of the Department is largely shaped by these contacts.

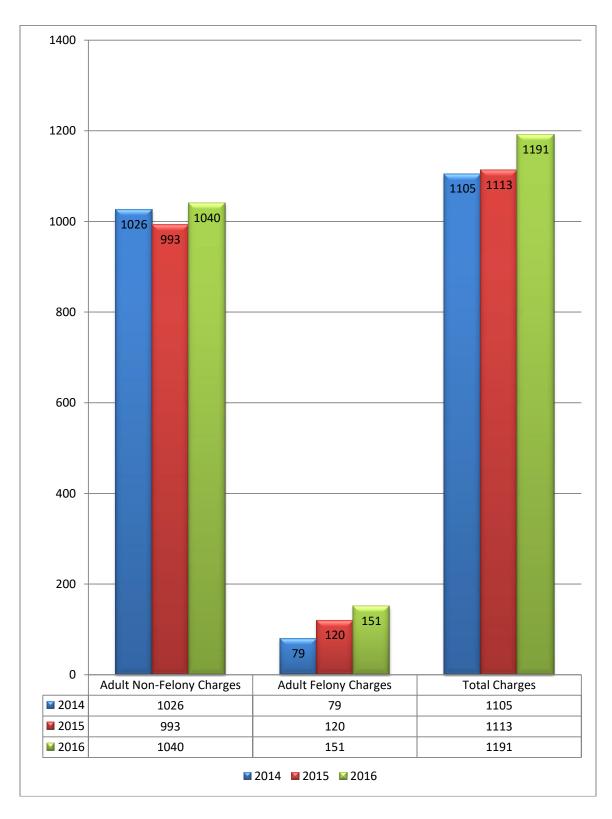
The many aspects of a patrol officer's duties include preventative patrol, response to calls for service, protecting those in need and providing neighborhoods a safe environment. The presence of uniform patrol will help deter criminal activity in a neighborhood, and help promote cooperation and communication with the residents.



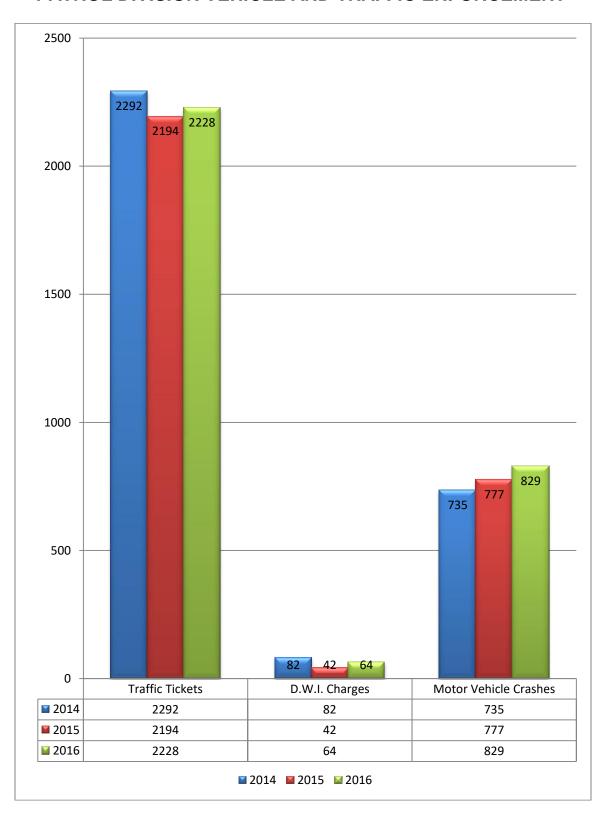
### UNIFORMED PATROL DIVISION QUICK CALLS & CALLS FOR SERVICE



### **UNIFORMED PATROL DIVISION ARRESTS**



### PATROL DIVISION VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT



### JCPD RECEIVES RE-ACCREDITATION



Chief Brent Dodge is proud to announce that the Johnson City Police Department (JCPD) has received re-accreditation by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services. The JCPD has been an accredited agency since 1996, and will now be accredited through 2021. Out of over 500 police agencies in New York State, only about 150 are accredited.

The Accreditation Program is managed through the NYS DCJS Accreditation Council which is comprised of 17 members who are appointed by the Governor. Accreditation is a progressive and contemporary way of helping police agencies evaluate and improve their overall performance. It provides formal recognition that an organization meets or exceeds general expectations of quality in the field. Accreditation acknowledges the implementation of policies that are conceptually sound and operationally effective.

The Accreditation process requires that the JCPD meet or exceed 110 standards such as fiscal management, personnel practices, evidence and property room management, records, training, and operations such as patrol and investigation policies and procedures. The JCPD underwent a three day on-site evaluation where several evaluators reviewed all policies and procedures, interviewed members of the department, reviewed department records, and inspected the various divisions within the police department.

Chief Dodge is honored to know that the accreditation evaluators reported that the JCPD was one of the very best departments that they had ever evaluated and it was also said that the JCPD had the best evidence and property room that they had ever seen.



### AFTERMATH K-9 GRANT AWARD BY PUBLIC VOTE

The Johnson City Police Department joined many other police department across the nation in a contest for a \$5,000 grant for our K-9 Unit, sponsored by Aftermath. The grant is awarded to the department that receives the most public votes. The JCPD took to our Social Media accounts to reach our fans and to ask for their help in securing this grant. JCPD fans accepted the challenge and were able to keep us in the top 3. Although we did not obtain 1<sup>st</sup> place, the JCPD did finish 3<sup>rd</sup> in this highly competitive opportunity. The JCPD was awarded \$500 which was used to purchase K-9 training equipment to benefit our 2 K-9 units.







### **DETECTIVE DIVISION**

The Johnson City Police Department's Detective Bureau is comprised of a Detective Lieutenant who oversees the Criminal Investigations Division, the Narcotics Division, the Juvenile Division, and the Evidence Division.

### **Criminal Investigations:**

The Criminal Investigation Division consists of a Detective Sergeant, three Detectives, and an administrative assistant all overseen by the Detective Lieutenant. The Division is responsible for a wide range of tasks. Detective duties include the investigation of all serious felonies including homicides, felony assaults, white collar crimes, sex crimes, and felony property crimes. The division also investigates misdemeanor crimes and offenses that require more investigative time and manpower that can't be fulfilled by the Patrol Division. The Detective duties also include subpoena service, background investigations, internal investigations, warrant service, and other ancillary duties.

#### **Notable 2016 Criminal Cases:**

JANUARY 10, 2016 Shooting / Attempted Murder

At 1:38 AM, the Johnson City Police were dispatched to a report of shots fired outside of a business on Harry L Drive. Patrol units arrived on scene and discovered that a 44 year old male had been shot and transported by private vehicle to Wilson Memorial Hospital prior to their arrival. The suspect was reported to have fled the scene on foot. The suspect's description was broadcast over the police radio and members of the Broome County Sheriff's Office and New York State Police located the suspect in the area. The suspect was taken into custody without incident. The victim, who sustained multiple gunshot wounds, was treated at Wilson Memorial Hospital and survived.

Arrested:

Francisco J Maysonet Hispanic Male, 29 years of age Turner Falls, MA

### Charges:

Attempted Murder in the Second Degree – in violation of section 110.00 / 125.25 subdivision 1 of the New York State Penal Law – a class B Felony

Criminal Use of a Firearm in the First Degree – in violation of section 265.09 subdivision 1a of the New York State Penal Law – a class B Felony

### **FEBRUARY 29, 2016**

### Walgreens Burglary

On 2/29/2016 at about 12:24 AM, the Johnson City Police Department received a call for a burglar alarm activation at the Walgreen's store located at 335 Main Street Johnson City, NY. Officers arrived on scene within one minute of being dispatched and located forced entry to the building to the pharmacy area. An investigation determined that the suspect(s) had fled the scene prior to police arrival and that several packages of medication had been stolen. This medication is consistent with the manufacturing of illicit drugs. Forensic evidence was discovered at the crime scene which has been collected and secured for further examination. Detectives pursued leads generated from public tips, ultimately identifying two primary suspects. Through investigation, the following suspects were arrested and charged with Burglary in the third degree, a class D felony:

- Christopher F. Williams Age 23 of Johnson City, NY.
- Tara L. Suda Age Age 29 of Johnson City, NY.

### MARCH 24, 2016

### Shooting / Attempted Murder

On Thursday, March 24th, 2016 at about 1:40 PM, the Johnson City Police Department responded to the vicinity of 216 Corliss Av Johnson City for a report of shots fired. One male victim was located suffering from a single gunshot wound. Initial reports and witnesses reported three suspects that fled the scene in a vehicle. Johnson City Police Detectives were able to obtain a plate number of the suspect vehicle which was registered to an address in Binghamton, NY. A short time later, the Binghamton Police Department located the suspect vehicle in the City of Binghamton. The three occupants of the vehicle were positively identified as the suspects from the shooting and were taken into custody. Upon further investigation by Johnson City Police Detectives, the gun used in the shooting was recovered and the following subjects have been charged in connection with the shooting.

Larry Patterson, age 27 of Greenwood, SC

- Attempted Murder 2nd, a class B Felony
- Criminal Use of a Firearm 1st, a class B Felony

Norma J. Hayes, age 18 of Johnson City, NY

- Attempted Murder 2nd, a class B Felony

The victim was treated at Wilson Memorial Hospital for non-life threatening injuries and was later released.

### APRIL 14, 2016

### Rape & Robbery

On April 14, 2016 shortly after midnight, a lone UHS Hospital employee walking to her car in the UHS parking lot was approached by two male subjects. The UHS employee was threatened with a knife and forced into the back seat of her own car where she was raped. The two suspects then stole the victim's car which was later recovered after it was involved in a crash in Binghamton.

After an extensive investigation and pursuit of several leads, Johnson City Police Detectives arrested the following suspects:

Brandon Corey, age 16 of Johnson City New York:

- Rape in the first degree, a class B felony
- Robbery in the first, a class B felony
- Grand Larceny in the third degree, a class D felony
- Criminal Mischief in the second degree, a class D felony

Jacob R. Coish, age 17, of Binghamton, NY:

Robbery in the first, a class B felony

### AUGUST 31, 2016

### **Shooting Incident**

At approximately 10:25 PM, Tuesday, August 30th, 2016, Officers from the Johnson City Police Department were dispatched to a North Broad Street, Johnson City, NY address to a report of an 11 YOA male victim suffering from a gunshot wound. The victim was ultimately transferred to Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse where this morning he was listed in stable condition and ultimately released. After a lengthy investigation throughout the night and into the next day, the Johnson City Police were pleased to announce that two subjects, both teenage residents of Broad Street, Johnson City, NY have been taken into custody and charged in this case.

#### 16 YOA Male:

- Assault in the first degree, a Class B Felony
- Criminal Possession of a weapon in the second degree, a Class C Felony

#### 17 YOA Male;

• Assault in the first degree, a Class B Felony. Both subjects were arraigned in Johnson City Village Court, and remanded to the Broome County Jail pending further action in Broome County Court. The victim and his assailants in this matter were familiar with one another, and this agency wants to emphasize that this was not a random attack. Due to the ages of all the people involved however, no further information on them can be released at this time.

### NARCOTICS DIVISION

The Johnson City Police Department is partnered with the Broome County Special Investigations Unit Task Force (BCSIUTF). The JCPD employs a Detective Sergeant and a Detective on the Task Force who join members of the Broome County Sheriff's Office, Binghamton Police Department, and the Endicott Police Department. Together, the investigators work together to combat narcotic crimes and to conduct other special investigations.

In 2016, the two Johnson City members of the SIU Task Force accounted for 108 arrests and executed 30 search warrants in the Village of Johnson City. (These numbers do not reflect or account for search warrants executed or people arrested within the Village by other members of BCSIUTF).

#### **Notable 2016 Narcotics Cases:**

The Broome County Special Investigations Unit Task Force executed a search warrant in the Village of Johnson City. Task Force investigators recovered 142 glassine envelopes of heroin, 43.8 grams of bulk heroin, 6.0 grams of methamphetamine, 10.5 grams of crack cocaine, a digital scale, packaging materials, and \$1,000.00 in U.S. Currency. The resident of the apartment was charged with seven (7) Felonies and two (2) Misdemeanors.



- The Broome County Special Investigations Unit Task Force executed a search warrant in the Village of Johnson City. Investigators made entry into the residence and discovered that the subject of the search warrant was disposing of evidence while attempting to flee. The male was taken into custody outside of the residence. While searching the location, investigators seized a loaded .38 caliber revolver, a .22 caliber rifle with ammunition, Oxycodone, approximately 14 grams of heroin, as well as various items of drug paraphernalia. The man was also wanted by the New York State Division of Parole for absconding. He was charged with three (3) Felonies, five (5) Misdemeanors and Violation of Parole.
- Broome County Special Investigations Unit Task Force assisted by the Metro SWAT team (comprised of members of the Binghamton Police, Johnson City Police, and Vestal Police), executed a search warrant on two separate apartments simultaneously in the Village of Johnson City. Investigators recovered a loaded .22 caliber revolver, several hundred rounds of ammunition, approximately 10 grams of heroin, drug paraphernalia, and marihuana.



The Broome County Special Investigations Unit Task Force executed a narcotics search warrant at a hotel in Johnson City. Task Force Investigators made entry into the hotel room after attempts to "call out" the occupants were met with no result. Once inside, investigators encountered the subject of the search warrant and observed that he had attempted to flush crack cocaine down the toilet. Investigators were able to recover approximately 51 grams of crack cocaine from within the toilet. Investigators also located packaging material, a digital scale, and

\$13,905.00 in U.S. Currency which is suspected drug proceeds. The subject was also being sought for two drug sale charges and an active New York State Parole Warrant. The man was charged with four (4) class B Felonies, a class E Felony and a Misdemeanor.



The JCPD remains vigilant when dealing with narcotics and wants to remind residents to contact the BCSIUTF at 607-778-3941 with any information relating to narcotic activity.

### JUVENILE DIVISION

The Juvenile Division consists of Criminal Detective who, in addition to his normal duties, is also assigned to handle and investigate crimes involving suspects under the age of 16. New York State handles Juvenile Offenders and Delinquents in a different manner and with other processes than that of an adult. The Juvenile Detective has a good working knowledge of how to handle juvenile cases.

### **Notable 2016 Juvenile Cases**

#### JANUARY 2016

 15yo female charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle after unlawfully driving a motor vehicle in which she did not have permission to have.

### **MARCH 2016**

14yo male and another 14yo male charged with Burglary 3<sup>rd</sup> at Wal-Mart after they unlawfully entered the store to steal merchandise after having been previously banned from the property for previous theft crimes. Juvenile males also began knocking over and breaking merchandise from the shelves when employees confronted the juveniles.

### SEPTEMBER 2016

■ 14yo male charged with Menacing 2<sup>nd</sup> after a disturbance call where allegations were made that the juvenile possessed a gun and pointed it at another person.

### OCTOBER 2016

- 14yo & 15yo arrested and charged for Burglary 3 after breaking and entering a store in the Oakdale Mall after hours and stealing merchandise.
- 14yo male charged with Robbery 3<sup>rd</sup> after an incident where the juvenile arranged to meet another person to trade property, but then physically attacked the other person and forcibly stole the property from him.

### **NOVEMBER 2016**

- 15yo & 13yo male were arrested and charged with Burglary 3<sup>rd</sup> after an investigation following an incident where a Main Street business was burglarized after hours by the juveniles who broke out the glass of the front door and entered the business, stealing money and cigarettes.
- 12yo male & 10yo female were arrested and charged with Burglary 2nd following an investigation into youths posing as students selling candy bars, asking to enter homes and stealing property from homes while therein. It was determined the candy bar sales were fraudulent and were only used as a decoy to enter homes. A 16 year old male was also charged in this case.

#### DECEMBER 2016

- 15yo & a 13yo male were arrested and charged with Robbery 2<sup>nd</sup> following an incident where they forcible stole a bicycle from another person after physically attacking the victim.
- 15yo female was arrested and charged after passing counterfeit money at the Oakdale Mall.

#### EVIDENCE/PROPERTY DIVISION

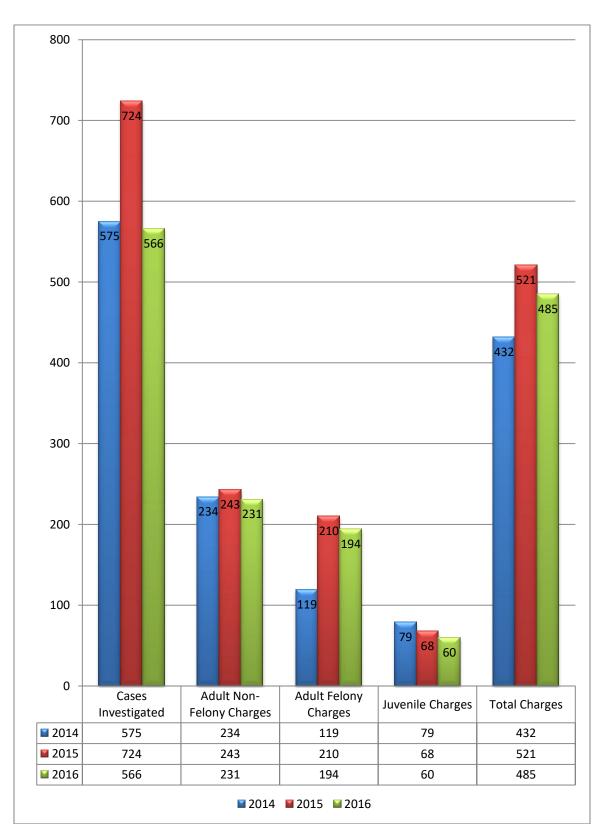
The Evidence Division consists of a part-time Property Clerk/Evidence Technician who has primary responsibilities but is also backed up by two other members of the Detective Division who are crossed trained and able to fulfill duties in the Evidence/Property room in the absence of the Property Clerk/Evidence Technician.

The Evidence Technician has been involved in numerous investigations which resulted in several arrests based on fingerprint and/or DNA identification.

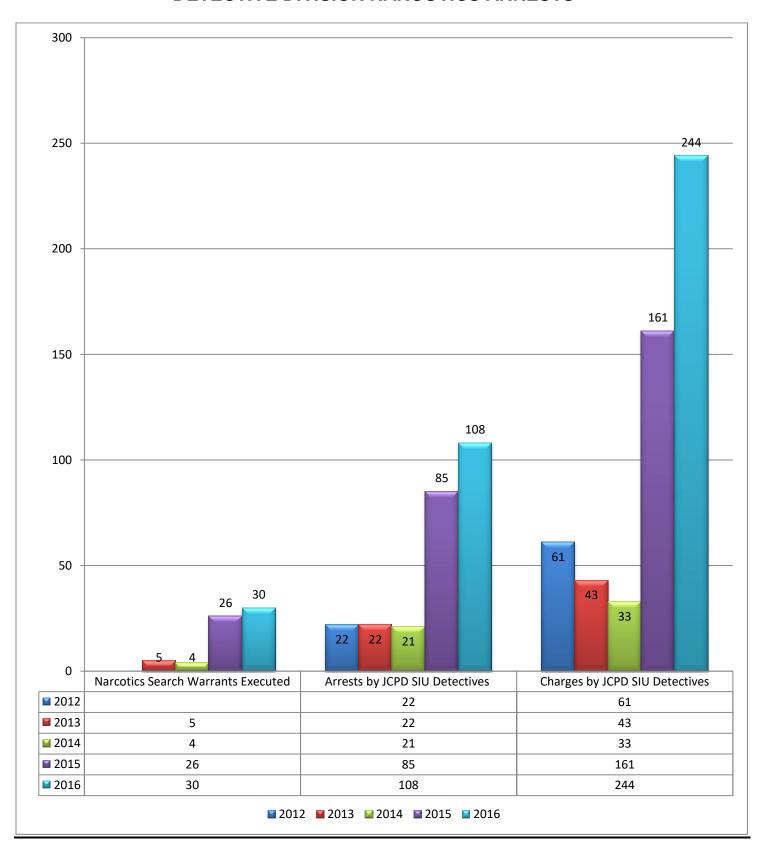
The Evidence Technician is responsible for handling and maintaining the submission of nearly 2,500 items of new evidence collected by JCPD Officers in 2016. In addition to the handling of newly submitted evidence, the Evidence Technician has also reviewed thousands of items of evidence from previous years to determine if the items should be retained or disposed of properly. As a result of the extensive research, the Evidence Technician was able to return over 200 items to the lawful owners, destroy over 1,365 items of illegal contraband, and donated or auctioned numerous other unclaimed property. This task is crucial in the ongoing maintenance of the Property Room to be able to purge evidence and property from older cases in order to free up storage space for new incoming evidence and property.

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### **DETECTIVE DIVISION CASES AND ARRESTS**



### **DETECTIVE DIVISION NARCOTICS ARRESTS**



### TRAFFIC DIVISION







The Traffic Division is responsible for the posting and monitoring of traffic signs, ordering and upkeep of Radar Units, Breathalyzer and Data master, the maintenance of all Fleet vehicles, and the ordering and replacement of emergency equipment used in Patrol Vehicles.

The traffic Division oversees special events that occur throughout the course of the year such as; the annual Holiday Parade, Memorial Day Parade, Homecoming Parade, Field Days, and Buckle Up New York seatbelt checkpoints.

The Traffic Division also oversees the Meter Division and the Crossing Guards that are posted throughout the Village.

The Traffic Division strives to ensure the safe passage of motorists and pedestrians throughout the Village.

### SUPPORT DIVISION

### Civilian Staff

The civilian staff is responsible for maintaining Police records, employee time records, building maintenance and many other functions.

Fleet	
Fleet Miles Traveled	175,863
Fleet Fuel Used (gallons)	19,797.40
New Vehicles Placed In-Service	1
Vehicles Taken Out-of-Service	1
Repairs – DPW	38
Repairs – Dealer	15
Repairs – Body Shop	2
Repairs – JCPD	25
Repairs – Lights & Siren	4
Repairs – Tires / Alignment	10
Total Cost of Repairs & Tires	\$27,350.28
Fleet Vehicles Towed	1
Scheduled Maintenance	49

Traffic Division Supervisor	
Site Plan Reviews / Surveys Conducted	44
Support Depositions Processed	298
DMV Driver Review Submissions	9
License Plates Returned to DMV	23
Licenses Returned to DMV	0
Patrol Coverage (Hours)	12
Monthly Cell Block Inspections	12
Special Events / Parades	7
Checkpoints	7
Schools Attended / Taught	2
Meetings Attended	14
Out of Town Assignments	2
Special Details / Assignments	0

Parking Enforcement / Meters	MONTH	YTD	
Parking Tickets	128	1,189	
Meter Money Collected	\$5,645.46	\$64,929.75	
Meters Repaired	18	191	
Meters Replaced	1	1	
Meters Purchased	0	0	
New Meters Installed	0	0	
Meters Eliminated	0	0	
Radar / Datamaster			
Purchased	0	0	
Bi-Annual Calibrations – Radar	0	11	
Bi- Annual Calibrations – Datamaster	0	2	
Datamaster Weekly Supervisor Test	4	48	
Repairs	0	1	
Street Signs			
Repairs	3	75	
Replacements	12	124	
Traffic Signals			
Repairs	2	10	
Replaced	0	0	
Purchased	13	0	



### METRO S.W.A.T.

### **Notable SWAT Incidents:**

On January 29th, 2016 at about 3:34 AM, Johnson City Police received a report that a female resident had texted a neighbor to call the police for an unknown situation. Johnson City Patrol Officers responded and determined that there was a female in the apartment but she would not answer the door. Officers began investigating background information on the location which revealed that a known resident has active felony warrants, and based on Officer's observations and the female's behavior, it was suspected that the wanted person was inside the apartment and may be holding others against their will. Metro SWAT, consisting of members of the Johnson City, Vestal, and Binghamton Police Departments was activated and responded. Main Street traffic between Floral and Lester Avenues was temporarily shut down, and neighboring apartments were evacuated for safety precautions. A SWAT Team negotiator was able to get the female victim and a small child safely out of the apartment. The suspect failed to comply with commands to surrender himself. At about 6:54 AM, SWAT entry was made into the apartment and the suspect was found hiding within the kitchen sink cabinet, and was taken into custody without force or injury and the situation was resolved peacefully.

Further investigation determined that the suspect was holding the female against her will and he attempted to prevent her from calling the police by threatening her and causing physical injury to her. The child was uninjured.

The suspect was identified as:

Alpha T. Ketchatcham, 27 years old

Previously wanted on the following Johnson City Warrants:

- -Felony Arrest Warrant Robbery 3rd
- -Arrest Warrant Criminal Mischief 4th & Harassment 2nd
- -Bench Warrant Endangering the Welfare of a Child & Harassment 2nd

New Charges stemming from this incident:

- -Coercion 1st, a class D felony
- -Assault 3rd, a class A misdemeanor
- -Unlawful Imprisonment, a class A misdemeanor
- -Criminal Obstruction of Breathing, a class A misdemeanor









### LAW ENFORCEMENT ADOLESCENT PARTERSHIP

Each day, adolescents face more personal, academic, and social pressures than any other generation. These pressures have the potential to lead to academic failure and risky behavioral choices. In order to provide an opportunity for students to develop the tools and support they need to combat these roadblocks to success, the Johnson City Police Department and Johnson City Middle School have joined forces to develop the LEAP Program, Law Enforcement-Adolescent Partnership program, to help students LEAP forward to a brighter future.

In this program, JCPD officers serve as mentors, and work with students to help them achieve goals through school visits, community based events, and special events.

### **Program Goals:**

- •Build positive experiences between youth and law enforcement
- •Foster trust and communication with family and community
- •Build connections and relationships with adults outside of school
- Build self-confidence
- •Improve academic performance
- Help students avoid risky behaviors
- Help students achieve personal goals



Each of these students successfully completed the first session of the JC Law Enforcement-Adolescent Partnership (LEAP) and were awarded Certificates.

### **LUNCH WITH THE LAW**

A new program dubbed Lunch with the Law was initiated in 2016. Twice a month the JCPD will be joining Johnson City Intermediate School students for 'Lunch with the Law', a new program to provide students with sound advice and safety lessons, be positive role model and mentor, and to help build positive relations with Police Officers. Officers will meet with groups of students in the Culture Club, Student Council, and Safety Patrol..



### **CHAT WITH THE CHIEF**

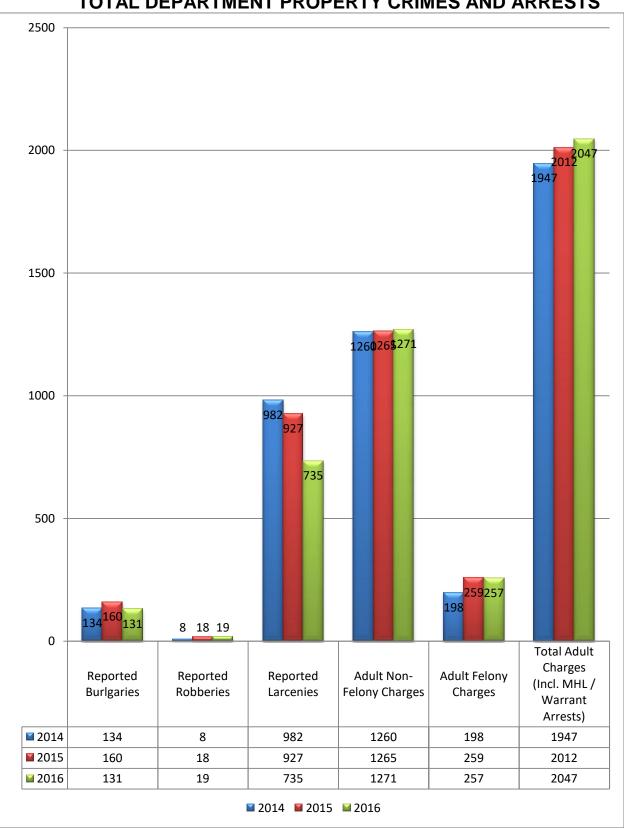


In January 2016, Chief Brent Dodge announced a new program to engage the community and promote open dialogue and transparency. In the new Chat with the Chief initiative, the Chief is making himself available to Village residents and business owners to provide them with an opportunity to engage him with questions, concerns, or comments regarding public safety issues in the Village of Johnson City.

Chief Dodge will meet with Village residents or business owners prior to the first Village Board Meeting of each month at 6:45 PM in the Board Room located on the second floor of Village Hall.

The first Chat with the Chief was held on Tuesday, February 2nd and has continued each month.

### TOTAL DEPARTMENT PROPERTY CRIMES AND ARRESTS



### TOTAL DEPARTMENT NARCOTICS DEPARTMENT CHARGES

