

# Manitowoc Police Department Annual Report

2020



Chief Nick Reimer

910 Jay Street  
Manitowoc, WI

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# City Data and Police Department Data

## Population City of Manitowoc

32,702

Source: 2019: ACS 5-Year Estimates Data Profiles

## Population of Manitowoc County

78,981

Source: 2019: 2019: ACS 1-Year Estimates Data Profiles

## Type of Government

Mayor/Council

## Incorporated as a City

March 12, 1870

## Area of Manitowoc

Square Miles-nearly 19 square miles of land

Streets-194 miles and approximately 900 intersections

Living Units-over 15,200

Commercial Buildings-over 900

## Manitowoc Police Department

### Established

1876 - 3 person department

### Police and Fire Commission Formed

1901

### Staff

64 Sworn Personnel, 11 Civilian, Interns/Seasonal

### 910 Jay Street

Moved to its current location July 11, 1992

### Budget

\$7,394,641.64

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# Manitowoc Police Department



## VISION

We will adapt and evolve as a professional organization while reducing crime and providing critical and protective services for everyone. We will accomplish our vision through optimizing strong community partnerships, strategic planning, continuous training and the most effective use of our available resources.

## MISSION

We are committed to providing excellent police service and an unrelenting pursuit of justice, while maintaining order and securing a safe environment for everyone.

## VALUES

- I**ntegrity - We believe in always having the highest moral standards while doing the right thing, the right way, for the right reasons.
- C**ourage - We possess the courage to do what is right to confront danger, intimidation and uncertainty, and when necessary, forsake our own well-being in defense of others.
- U**nity - We believe in cohesive teamwork in our department for the betterment of our community.
- C**ompassion - We treat everyone with dignity and respect regardless of their background or circumstances.
- E**xcellence - We believe in consistently surpassing ordinary standards in performance of our duty.

**“I.C.U.C. EXCELLENCE”**

# City of Manitowoc

## Mayor Justin Nickels



Aldersperson Brett Vanderkin – District 1  
Aldersperson Scott McMeans – District 2  
Aldersperson Jeremiah Novak – District 3  
Aldersperson Jim Brey – District 4  
Aldersperson John L. Brunner – District 5

Aldersperson Eric J. Sitkiewitz – District 6  
Aldersperson Aaron Bailey – District 7  
Aldersperson Bill Schlei – District 8  
Aldersperson Steve Czekala – District 9  
Aldersperson Courtney Hansen – District 10

### **Police and Fire Commission Members**

In accordance with Wisconsin State Statute the Manitowoc Police Department has a Police and Fire Commission. The Police and Fire Commission is a non-political body appointed by the Mayor. They oversee the hiring of the Police Chief. They approve eligibility lists for promotion and hiring and they oversee the discipline and/or termination of sworn staff members.

Members include: Thomas J. Bare, Jill Hennessey, Ted Zigmunt,  
Matthew Sauer, Michael Wellner

### **Public Safety Committee Members**

Aldersperson Scott McMeans, Chair  
Aldersperson Steve Czekala, Vice Chair  
Aldersperson Jeremiah Novak  
Aldersperson Brett Vanderkin  
Aldersperson Aaron Bailey

# Chief's Message

Thank you for taking the time to read our annual report. The 2020 Annual report will give you a brief explanation of the activities and actions of the City and your Police Department. Each annual report also helps to maintain the history of the Manitowoc Police Department.

In 2020 the Manitowoc Police Department remained busy handling calls for service and figuring out ways to deal with the COVID-19 Pandemic. We were faced with many new and unique challenges, just like the rest of the world.

Additionally in 2020, the Police Department's proactive enforcement philosophy resulted in the lowest amount of reported traffic crashes in the last 10 years. In 2020 compared to 2016, there were 382 less traffic crashes in the City of Manitowoc. That amounts to a 27% reduction. The low crash numbers were also a result of less traffic on the roadways because much of the year many schools were distance learning. Additionally, the Governor's Safer at Home Order, which existed in the months of March, April, and May, prevented non-essential businesses to operate in person. This further lessened the amount of traffic in Manitowoc.

Crime Prevention Sergeant Andy Trilling retired in 2020. School Resource Officer Paul Krock was promoted to Crime Prevention Sergeant soon after.

Community Service Worker (CSW) Danny Harms moved to another position in the City of Manitowoc and CSW Jesse Brey was hired as a result. We recognized the large



# Chief's Message

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work load and need for a second CSW. Once we secured that position in our budget, we were able to also hire CSW Adam Kieselhorst. CSW Brey and CSW Kieselhorst free up a tremendous amount of patrol officer time by handling parking enforcement, animal complaints, issues with bicycles, squad maintenance, and numerous other responsibilities.

Early in 2020 Mayor Nickels put a purchasing freeze on everything that was not essential for the operation of City Departments. This was done as a result of the potential financial situation facing everyone due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. The COVID-19 Pandemic negatively affected many projected revenues that normally offset budget expenditures. As a result, we limited our equipment purchases in 2020, while still providing excellent police service to our community.

Our officers and employees of the Police Department were involved in several volunteer and fundraising efforts throughout the year. Some examples include Police Explorers, Shop with a Cop, Stuff the Squad, Citizen's Academy, Police Lights of Christmas, and the Ten Most Wanted Food Drive to fundraise for Peter's Pantry.

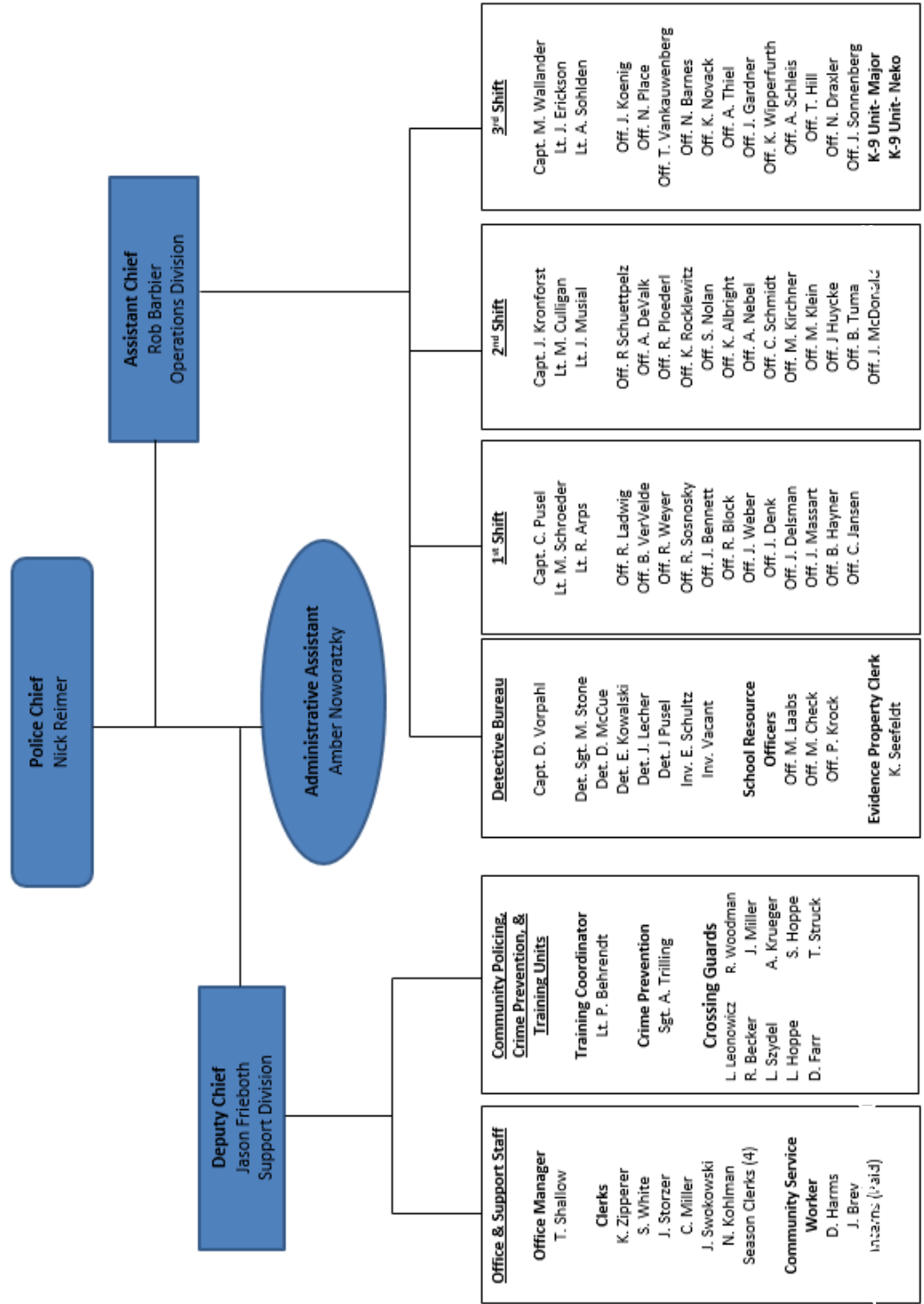
The Manitowoc Police Department continues to strive each and every day to provide the kind of service that our community deserves. We are committed to providing excellent police service and an unrelenting pursuit of justice, while maintaining order and securing a safe environment for everyone. Our Facebook page continues to add followers and is used to share valuable information, give tips, and solve crimes. Engaging the community to improve quality of life and safety remains a priority for the Manitowoc Police Department.

In addition to this annual report, there is more information available on the portion of the City website dedicated to the Police Department. Feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns!

Sincerely,

Nick Reimer  
Chief of Police

# Operations/Support Division





# School Resource Officers

## Officer Paul Krock



**Officer Miranda Check**  
**Lincoln High School**



**Officer Paul Krock**  
**Wilson Middle School**



**Officer Michael Laabs**  
**Washington Middle School**



After completing the 2019-2020 school year, we reflect on the uniqueness of the school year during the Covid-19 pandemic. Students from the Manitowoc Public School District (MPSD) transitioned to a virtual learning model beginning March 16, 2020. Students remained in this virtual learning model to finish out the school year. We are hopeful to for a safe and healthy return to school for all the students and staff as soon as possible.

During this time of uncertainty, it is important for us to remain positive and continue our civic duty to provide the children in our community with the resources they need to become productive members of our society. Being a School Resource Officer (SRO) is dynamic and ever-changing as our youth continue to evolve. Therefore, we as police officers, educators, and parents need to adapt to this change.

We continue to work collaboratively with MPSD Administration and staff in order to provide a safe learning environment for everyone. For the second consecutive school year, MPSD is utilizing the I Love U Guys Foundation's Standard Response Protocol (SRP), which provides an "all hazards" approach to any event, emergency, or crisis that may happen in or around a school campus. The SRP provides five standardized responses. Each MPSD school, with the assistance of a School Resource Officer routinely practices the standardized responses.

With all of the diversity of today's youth, we responded to 373 calls for service throughout MPSD during the 2019-2020 school year. Not all calls result in a citation or arrest. Having SROs in the schools provide the students with consistency. The students understand what expectations we have for them as a community member and as a student. On occasions, these students just need a little "coaching" to get them back on track. Other students have displayed actions that cannot be addressed in any other way than through the court system. In any event, our youth are being held accountable through either restorative justice or the judicial system. Overall, the students of our community are well mannered, well educated, and traveling down the road for success.

All of the educational staff have been great to work with and we are excited to have the chance to continue to work with these highly motivated individuals. We are grateful for the opportunity that the Manitowoc Police Department and the Manitowoc Public School District has provided through this assignment.

# MANITOWOC POLICE DEPARTMENT K9 UNIT

OFFICER JASON KOENIG, OFFICER NICK PLACE, AND CAPTAIN MATT WALLANDER

2020 was a challenging year for the Manitowoc PD k9 Unit. Covid 19 eliminated K9 Demos, cancelled state workshops and training, and limited some deployments. We also had an unexpected medical issue with K9 Major and the death of our retired K9 Aik.

## K9 Major and Officer Nick Place

During early January 2020, K9 Major's handler, Officer Place, noticed that Major had a change of demeanor and performance. With the help of the Two Rivers Veterinary Clinic, Dr. Chris Katz and his staff, we were able to have K9 Major admitted into Lakeshore Veterinary Specialists (LVS) in Milwaukee for an emergency visit. Veterinary Oncologists recommended a treatment plan for K9 Major. Despite the odds against him, K9 Major responded well to his treatment and he rebounded to have a productive year. In October 2020, LVS staff told us they were "shocked" to see how well he did. K9 Major still serves the City of Manitowoc faithfully and is excited to come to work every shift!



## K9 Neko and Officer Jason Koenig

2020 showed K9 Neko continues to thrive as a tracking dog. Here are some of K9 Neko's 2020 highlights:



- On May 22, K9 Neko assisted Sheboygan PD with locating 2 suspects involved in multiple vehicle and home invasions. The suspects were apprehended and K9 Neko and his handler, Officer Koenig performed a "reverse track" resulting in locating the stolen items and ultimately leading directly back to the vehicle the suspects were last seen before running.
- On June 7, K9 Neko located the suspects involved in a crash at the Waldo/Memorial roundabout.
- On July 21 K9 Neko located the suspect involved in numerous north side vehicle and home invasions. After a great team effort involving numerous officers, he was apprehended after a two-mile track.
- On October 7, K9 Neko located two suspects from a stolen vehicle who were involved in a pursuit with Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office.

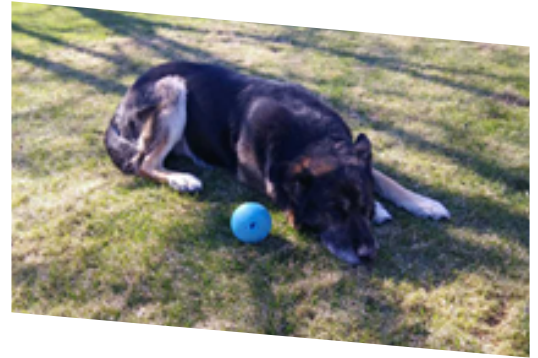
# MANITOWOC POLICE DEPARTMENT K9 UNIT

OFFICER JASON KOENIG, OFFICER NICK PLACE, AND CAPTAIN MATT WALLANDER

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## K9 Aik (Retired)

In May, the Manitowoc Police Department mourned the loss of the department's first active K9, Aik. Aik began his service in April 2010 and Officer Jeremy Weber was assigned as his handler. Throughout his career, Aik was credited with locating 57 articles of paraphernalia, 41,449.86 grams of THC, 226.8 grams of Hash, 14.5 grams of Cocaine, 7 grams of Heroin and 30.3 grams of Methamphetamine, and \$32,630 in US Currency. In addition to drug finds, Aik successfully tracked and located 36 people, while assisting in the arrest of 42 others.



Aik retired in October 2015, and lived with his handler, Officer Weber, until his death in May 2020. He was remembered by his handler, co-workers, and the community following his 5-years of service to the Manitowoc Community.

The K9 Unit in 2020 had 155 deployments. The K9 Unit was responsible for the following finds and seizures:



- Drug Paraphernalia- 100 items
- Marijuana - 17 finds
- Methamphetamine - 19 finds
- Heroin - 8 finds
- GHB - 113 grams
- \$3,200 in US Currency

The Manitowoc PD K9 Unit fought through the adversity that 2020 brought us. The Manitowoc PD K9 Unit would like to thank the community for their continued support. Without your support, K9 Major would not have had a fighting chance against cancer, and we would not have the equipment and local training opportunities that we are thankful to have. We are fortunate to live and work in Manitowoc and we pray 2021 brings us better luck!

# TRAINING DIVISION

## LIEUTENANT PAUL BEHRENDT

2020 marks another busy year for the training at the Manitowoc Police Department. We started the year out with three days of in-service training during January, February, and March. During in-service, employees were provided a department update, a legal update, communication from our Chaplains, TASER recertification, information from the Department of Human Services on child protective services, drug endangered children, mental health crisis, and responding to dementia calls, information on the Manitowoc Public School Districts safety plan-Standard Response Protocol and Reunification, how to predict violence and signs of concealed weapons, active shooter response, and DAAT techniques training.



Then in March of 2020 COVID 19 started dramatically changing training. Most in-person training was canceled or switched to virtual learning. Necessary training such as firearms had to be conducted in small groups that maintained social distance and shared equipment had to be disinfected between uses. It definitely changed the way training was planned and executed.

Our next training was in May and consisted of a two hour handgun class. Some of the topics covered were movement drills (forward/backward/lateral), shooting from barricades, and shooting at small targets. I took the advice from Mel Gibson's character in the movie The Patriot, "Aim small, hit small". If you focus your aim on a small part of your target, you have a better chance of hitting it.

In October, we had a three hour firearms training. At the start of class, all officers were issued a new duty holsters. Some of the holsters we had were approximately fifteen years old and were no longer manufactured. Several holsters had broken and we no longer had holsters to issue to new hires. After research and testing, we purchased the Blackhawk L3D light bearing holster. The training included our yearly state required handgun qualification, look shoot drills, reloading drills, movement drills, a rifle skills course, and rifle movement drills.

Also, two new officers were hired and trained this year. To be hired as a police officer you need a minimum of 60 college credits. Both officers hired this year had a Bachelor's degree. They were required to attend a state certified 720 hour (18 weeks) Recruit Academy, normally taught at a Technical College. After completion of the Recruit Academy, the new officers complete our

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# TRAINING DIVISION

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department field training program. The field training program is four months long and requires the probationary officer to receive training on all three shifts. Only after all of this, an officer is assigned to solo patrol. For the first six months of solo patrol, they are required to complete a daily activity log. At the end of each workweek, five days, they meet with a s Shift Commander and review their daily activity logs. The Shift Commander then completes a weekly progress report.

As you can see, a lot of training is involved in being a police officer. It is my duty as the Training Lieutenant to make sure our officers receive at least 24 hours of adequate training and remain certified by the state. 2020 definitely imposed some challenges but we continued to adapt and evolve as a professional organization.



# Welcome

Jesse Brey- Community Service Worker 02-17-20

Tina Shallow- Officer Manager 04-13-20

Lawrence Blaser- patrol- 07-20-20

Adam Kieselhorst- Community Service Worker 05-01-20

## Retirement



Crime prevention Sergeant Andrew Trilling

*Retired April 2020 after 26 years  
with the Manistowoc Police Department.*

*The dedication of Sergeant Trilling  
will truly be missed.*

## Promotion



## Paul Krock

Crime Prevention Sergeant  
05-18-2020

## Farewell

Jeri Lynn Christensen- Office Manager

Jacob Gardner- School Resource Officer

Lawrence Blaser - Patrol

Jackson Huycke - Patrol

Jacob Shillcox - CSW Intern

# SWAT/CNT Report

The Manitowoc County Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)/Crisis Negotiations Team (CNT), which falls under the purview of the Sheriffs, is a multi-agency team, consisting of personnel from Manitowoc Police Department (MTPD), Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office (MTSO), Two Rivers Police Department (TRPD), and the Two Rivers Fire Department (TRFD). This report will summarize MTPD's membership, training hours, and calls for service throughout the year 2020.

The SWAT team strives to train a minimum of 8 hours per month, but faced challenges due to Covid-19 restrictions. SWAT trained a total of 64 hours as a team. This training included practice with the new Personal Flotation Devices, room clearing (deliberate, dynamic, and using SIMS equipment), breaching (ram, hooligan, shotgun), Bearcat training, and recertification in the use of impact, smoke, chemical agent, NFDD munitions and deployment. Firearms' training was incorporated in several training sessions and included both indoor and outdoor shooting exercises.

In addition to team trainings, Officer Weber attended the National Tactical Officers Association training for SWAT Team Leader Development, while Officer Schmidt attended the 2020 WI -ASP SWAT Conference in Milwaukee.

The Crisis Negotiations Team completed 32 hours of training, along with adding additional negotiators to the team after some personnel changes. This training consisted of joint training with SWAT Operators, scenarios of negotiations utilizing their equipment, and mutual aid equipment.

The full SWAT team responded to seven (7) requests for assistance. The following is a summary of the full SWAT call outs.

- **January 16, 2020** **Whitelaw, WI**  
Executed a search warrant on behalf of the Metro Drug Unit (MDU). Detained the occupants of the residence and secured the residence for investigation by MDU.
- **March 10, 2020** **Two Rivers, WI**  
Executed a search warrant on behalf of MTSO in an attempt to locate Douglas P. Strojny and take him into custody.
- **April 7, 2020** **Two Rivers, WI**  
Executed a search warrant on behalf of TRPD in an attempt to locate a Gregory A. Schmidt for reckless homicide.

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# S.W.A.T. CNT

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- **August 21, 2020** **Manitowoc, WI**  
Attempted to locate and arrest Craig W. Holtz on behalf of MTPD reference to a homicide.
- **August 25, 2020** **Kenosha, WI**  
Provide assistance to the Kenosha County Sheriff's Office for civil disturbance protests related to the Kenosha Police Department OIS that occurred on August 23, 2020.
- **September 21, 2020** **Manitowoc, WI**  
SWAT will provide protection and security for the Democratic Presidential Candidate, Joseph Biden, visiting and presenting at Wisconsin Aluminum Foundry.
- **October 02, 2020** **Two Rivers, WI**  
SWAT assisted MTPD/TRPD with the execution of a search /arrest warrant for a Nathaniel Smith reference threats to a business and threats to law enforcement.

A partial SWAT responded to one (1) request for assistance. The following is a summary of the partial team SWAT call outs.

- **March 21, 2020** **Manitowoc, WI**  
Assist MTPD with taking two wanted subjects (Justin Naibert and Destiny Koch-Hostelttler) into custody that had barricaded themselves inside a detached garage.

In 2020, SWAT received/provided mutual aid from/for the following agencies: MTSO, MDU, MTPD, TRPD, WI DOJ Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI), US DOJ Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), US Secret Service (USSS), Manitowoc Fire and Rescue Department (MTFD), and Wisconsin State Patrol (WSP).

### **Manitowoc Police Department SWAT Officers**

Officer Jeremy Weber  
Officer Nick Place  
Officer Cooper Schmidt

### **Manitowoc Police Department Crisis Negotiators**

Lieutenant Michaelyn Culligan  
Officer Rick Ladwig  
Officer Mike Laabs



# Crossing Guards

Captain Corie Pusel

The Manitowoc Police Department employs nine adult crossing guards. The crossing guards are responsible for safely crossing students at busy intersections near all the public elementary schools in The City of Manitowoc. The dedicated crossing guards are out every school day regardless of the weather. Most of the crossing guards will cross the students before school, and then return to their respective corners in the afternoon to safely cross the students as they head home. Throughout the summer, the crossing guards are also utilized to assist crossing pedestrians at several community events such as Subfest and Fourth on the Shore.

In 2020, the following adults worked as School Crossing Guards for The Manitowoc Police Department: Leanna Leonowicz, Bob Becker, Rebecca Woodman, Laurie Hoppe, Leo Szydel, Deborah Farr, Jeanette Miller, Ann Krueger and Tammy Struck. Community Service Workers, Jesse Brey and Adam Kieselhorst along with the CSW Interns, will fill in for the paid crossing guards on days they are unavailable.

Due to COVID-19 the crossing guards had an unusual schedule for much of the 2020 year. When school was in session all the crossing guards worked three shifts, due to the schools blended model. I would like to thank all the crossing guards for their hard work and dedication to the children.



# Grants



## **Click it or Ticket Mobilization (06-22-2020 through 07-05-2020)**

Patrol officers issued 36 citations, 111 warnings, and they conducted 133 traffic stops. During this time period, there was an emphasis on seat belt enforcement and education; however, Officers did not encounter any violations. There is a clear downward trend in seat belt infractions in the state of Wisconsin. Currently, Wisconsin seat belt use stands at 90.2%, which is the highest ever. Back in 2009 it was under 74%. Even taking into account a high compliance rate for seat belt use, approximately 44% of car and light truck occupants killed in Wisconsin traffic crashes last year were not buckled up.

## **Drive Sober or Get Pulled over Mobilization #1 08-21-2020 through 09-07-2020**

Patrol Officers issued 44 traffic citations, 155 warnings, and a total of 175 vehicles were stopped for traffic infractions. Five arrests were made for OWI offenses.



## **Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Mobilization #2 12-18-2020 through 01-01-2021**

Patrol Officers issued 61 traffic citations, 126 warnings, and a total of 134 vehicles were stopped for traffic infractions. Officers made nine OWI arrests throughout this deployment, which is nearly double that of the previous year during the same time frame. In 2019, alcohol related crashes resulted in 140 deaths and approximately 2,900 injuries. In 2018, there were 160 deaths and nearly 3,300 injuries in the state of Wisconsin.



## **Seat Belt Grant**

### **October 2020 and ending September 2021**

The Manitowoc Police Department, along with the Manitowoc Sheriff's Office and Two Rivers Police Department was awarded \$60,000 from the Wisconsin Bureau of Traffic Safety for a collaborative effort to enforce seat belt laws and educate those in violation of the laws during a pre-determined days and times. The statistics from this grant will be compiled upon its completion, and they will be provided in the 2021 Annual Report.

# Community Service Worker/Intern Program

**Captain Corie Pusel**

The Community Service Worker Internship Program at the Manitowoc Police Department provides a rewarding experience for area college students that are preparing for a career in law enforcement.

The police department currently offers two types of internships. Unpaid internships are offered to university and high school students completing an internship for college credit or as a requirement for graduation. Paid internships are offered to individuals currently enrolled at a university or technical college. Paid interns work on average, twelve hours per week.

The goal of the Community Service Worker Internship Program is to give students an opportunity to observe and experience the day to day operations of a law enforcement agency and obtain a clear understanding of the demands of a career in law enforcement. The Manitowoc Police Department works with area high schools, technical colleges, and four-year colleges to seek out students interested in internships at our department. Students are required to complete an application and an oral interview, with a short orientation and training period before they begin work at the department.

Daily work duties include parking enforcement, crossing guard duty in school zones and at special events, vehicle maintenance, animal complaints, general errands, and other work assigned by Department Shift Commanders.

The Community Service Internship program is coordinated by Captain Corie Pusel and Lieutenant Robert Arps, with direct supervision of the interns by the department's Community Service Workers, Jesse Brey and Adam Kieselhorst.

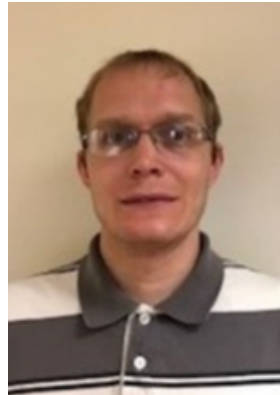
In 2020, Jacob Shillcox worked as a Community Service Worker Intern for the Manitowoc Police Department. Jacob eventually attained a police officer position, upon completion of his internship.



Lt Robert Arps



CSW Jesse Brey



CSW Adam Kieselhorst



Captain Corie Pusel

# 2020 Award Recipients

## Crime Prevention Award

The Annual Crime Prevention Award was presented on October 8, 2020 to the Manitowoc County Drug Court Program.

The Manitowoc County Drug Court Program was recognized for educating and supporting citizens in our community. The Manitowoc County Drug Program focuses on reducing recidivism which has prevented crime and created less victimization, this having tremendous impact on many lives throughout our community.



## Lighthouse Recovery Ally Award

Captain Kronforst received the 2020 Dose of Hope Recovery Ally Award for Law Enforcement. This award was for his time and generous support to the recovery community in Manitowoc County. His support has helped strengthen the recovery journey for many individuals.



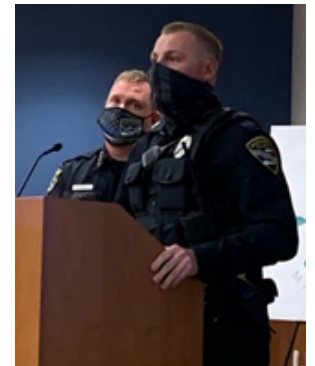
## Eagles Club Officer of the Year Award

Officer Austin Schleis was honored as the recipient of the 202 Eagles Club Officer of the Year Award. He was nominated for the award by his direct supervisors who highlighted his efforts to give back to the community.

He organized the annual Stuff the Squad event hosted by Pick 'n Save. He coordinated a date for the event, gathered police and other criminal justice agency volunteers and also bagged groceries himself. As part of the drive, people had a chance to purchase food and supplies for the less fortunate. Those donations were then "stuffed in a police squad" and taken to Peter's Pantry and The Salvation Army.

Officer Schleis also volunteered to participate in the annual Shop with a Cop event, which was hosted by the Manitowoc Police Department. The event benefited numerous children from the local Big Brothers Big Sisters organization. During the event, participating children purchased presents for family members with the help of law enforcement volunteers.

The Manitowoc Professional Police Association hosted a concert at the Capitol Civic Centre to raise funds for youth programs and other charitable events in the community. Officer Schleis greeted donors and guests at the door of the event.



# 2020 Award Recipients

## VALOR AWARD

### Presented to Officers Robert Weyer and Alex Nebel

During the July 20th Common Council meeting Officers Robert Weyer and Alex Nebel were presented with a Valor Award for going above and beyond in the line of duty and performing life saving measures on a citizen.

On 12-31-19, Officer Alex Nebel was off duty while at the intersection of N. 18th Street and Waldo Blvd. He observed a vehicle stopped in the middle of the intersection, so he approached the vehicle and observed the operator slumped over in his vehicle. Officer Nebel checked for a pulse and the male subject didn't have one. Officer Nebel immediately placed the vehicle in park and began life saving measures. Officer Rob Weyer arrived on duty with an AED which also assisted with the life saving measures.



# 2020 Award Recipients



## 2020 DRE OF THE YEAR AWARD

Congratulations Officer Nick Place for being awarded the "2020 DRE of the Year Award." Officer Place received this prestigious recognition for his advanced level of performance in the DRE program.

At the banquet, Steve R. Krejci recognized Officer Place for the following achievements: "Officer Nick Place conducted 25 enforcement evaluations in 2020. He is the leading expert in Wisconsin for all things related to cannabis. His knowledge is second to none in the State. He attended cannabis, hemp, and CBD expositions, visited numerous retail outlets, purchased and tested various products using his own time and money to determine if the claims made by the manufacturers were accurate and then used information to train other law enforcement officers. He developed a training bulletin for DREs and Wisconsin Law Enforcement to use as a guide with regards to the developing trends of Delta-8 THC, which was eventually distributed on January 21, 2021.

The training bulletin provided insight into this emerging drug trend by explaining what Delta-8 was, the impairment it caused, common Delta-8 products, the difference between Delta-8 and Delta-9 THC, and the legal issues as they related to Wisconsin State statutes. Officer Place put in countless hours of research. He consulted with toxicologists and legal experts to make sure the information was accurate. He again bought various products and had them drug tested using his own time and money in order to provide a thorough and comprehensive report that helped others recognize, identify and understand Delta-8 THC.

In addition to his work with cannabis products, Officer Place was the field coordinator for an oral fluid project that partnered with Manitowoc County law enforcement, the WSLH, Wisconsin BOTS, and the Chemical Test Section. He secured the grant funds, obtained the testing devices, conducted training in the operation and data collection for the devices, submitted the samples and compiled the data. The project was completed in May of 2020 with 109 samples.

Officer Place has demonstrated an advanced level of performance in the DRE program and has promoted the program in a positive manner. He has distinguished himself as an elite DRE in the State of Wisconsin through his contributions, which were "*above and beyond*" all others, and is therefore awarded the 2020 DRE of the Year Award."



# 2020 Award Recipients

## 2020 NOON ROTARY POLICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR



We would like to congratulate Officer Steven Nolan for being selected as the Manitowoc Police Department's 2020 Noon Rotary Officer of the Year! Officer Nolan has been with our police department since December of 2014. He was also a Community Service Worker Intern at our Police Department prior to that. Officer Nolan was recognized in his nomination letter for his positive attitude, excellent work ethic, and professionalism. Steve has become one of our top Field Training Officers on the Department, and provides top-notch training for new officers. He is also a Defense and Arrest Tactics Instructor and a member of our Bike Patrol Unit. Officer Nolan has given numerous ride alongs. One participant sent us the following message: "I would just like to tell you that Nolan did one hell of a job. It would have been easy for him to just do his job like normal and have me watch. However, he went above and beyond. He not only showed me things so I would understand, but he did the best he could to wake me up to the job and explained what it was really like...he was amazing and I hope you recognize him; he deserves it! You guys found a special officer." We would also like to recognize Officer Mike Laabs and Officer Travis Van Kauwenberg who were also nominated for this distinguished award.

# 2020 Award Recipients

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## **Pizza Garden - Citizen of the Year 2020**

As a result of the Corona Virus Pandemic in 2020 citizens were not able to safely gather with individuals outside their own households for most of the year. Therefore traditional birthday party gatherings were not allowed during that time. This was particularly restricted during the Safer at Home Order.

The Police Department looked for ways to boost the spirits of those celebrating birthdays, in particular those with special circumstances and the children in the community. Local law enforcement agencies got together to drive by a little birthday girl's home while turning on their emergency lights, sirens, and PA systems to say "Happy Birthday". After this event was posted on Social Media it became an instant hit and we received dozens of requests from parents and other citizens.

As local law enforcement, fire fighters, and other public safety workers joined in the parades, Dan and Steve Diederichs contacted the Manitowoc Police Department. They asked if Pizza Garden could join the parades with their delivery drivers and at the end donate pizza for the birthday parties. We, of course, agreed and this truly made the parades much more special with that act of kindness and generosity.

Throughout 2020 Pizza Garden participated in over 100 COVID Birthday Parades and donated over 130 pizzas. Pizza Garden stepped up in the middle of a pandemic and made a huge difference in the lives of our citizens in Manitowoc. Pizza Garden found a way to make birthday parties special again. Congratulations to Pizza Garden, 2020 Citizen of the Year.





# Employee of the 1st Quarter

## Officer Bruce Tuma

Officer Bruce Tuma has been named the Employee of the Quarter for the first quarter of 2020.

Although he has been an officer for less than one year, Bruce exemplifies the Mission Statement of the Manitowoc Police Department:

"We are committed to providing excellent police service and an unrelenting pursuit of justice, while maintaining the order and securing a safe environment for everyone."

Two of our five core values are:

**Unity**-We believe in cohesive teamwork in our department for the betterment of our community.

**Excellence**- We believe in consistently surpassing ordinary standards in the performance of our duty.

Lt. Musial wrote this describing the situation: On 01-29-2020, Officer Tuma looked at some photos in the briefing room and positively identified a subject who was harassing a female customer while she was shopping at a local store. The male suspect followed the female around the store, made provocative and harassing comments to her and was also believed to be taking pictures of her.

Prior to being hired at our police department, Officer Tuma worked for the Brown County Jail. Officer Tuma recognized the suspect in the photos as a former inmate of the Brown County Jail.

Now with a name for the suspect, it was discovered that he had been cited three times in the past two weeks for Lewd and Lascivious behavior in a neighboring jurisdiction and that he was on probation. He was later brought to the PD, where he confessed to he accusations. Officer Tuma, along with Officer Schmidt who was also involved in the case, did an excellent job with teamwork solving this case.



1st Quarter

# Employees of the 2nd Quarter



The Manitowoc Police Department Employees of the Quarter for the second quarter of 2020 were Officer Alex Nebel and Officer Cooper Schmidt.

Another example of superior teamwork was brought to out attention by Lt. Bob Arps. A neighbor called 911 reporting there was a male screaming that he was going to kill everyone, kill police officers and he was getting ready to pull the trigger. Multiple officers from second shift responded, but the actions of two stood out.

Here are some of the notes for Lt. Arps: "... I arrived on scene with Officer Nebel. He immediately grabbed the squad rifle and told another officer to grab their ballistic shield. Officer Nebel quickly began gathering information from family members, relayed that to officers and then took a tactical spot helping establish a perimeter. Officer Nebel also had the forethought to contact the MFRD to have them stage an ambulance close by in case they were needed. Outstanding work!"

"...Officer Schmidt was the first on scene and he called out that he was approaching from the south, he already had the police rifle with him, he had the suspect in sight, but family members said the person has serious PTSD and the sight of police officers would enrage him even more. Cooper told other responding officers where to tactically position themselves out of sight and even requested a SWAT Negotiator respond to the scene. Cooper's communication skills, officer tactics and teamwork were outstanding!"

As Officer Schmidt observed the male subject from a distance, he noticed the male spontaneously lost consciousness and collapsed to the pavement. He moved in, handcuffed and searched him. Shortly after completing this search, the male regained consciousness and became violent again, kicking at officers, swearing and threatening to kill everyone. After medical clearance, he was eventually transported to Winnebago Mental Health to get the help that he needed. This was a display of superior tactics, job knowledge, de-escalation, decision making and communication skills by Officer Cooper Schmidt and Officer Alex Nebel.

# Employee of the 3rd Quarter



The Third Quarter Employee of the Quarter for 2020 is Officer Rebecca Schuettpelz. At last year's Shop with a Cop event, we had some drug court families added to our event as we had the extra funds and officers to get more families involved. Officer Schuettpelz and Holly from the Manitowoc County Joint Dispatch Center were assigned to Mia, the daughter of a drug court participant. Mia's mother, Lacy, was in drug court at the time and Lacy just had another child in the fall of 2019. At the event, Officer Schuettpelz and Holly really hit it off with Mia. When Lacy came to pick up Mia, she didn't have enough room in her small car to bring home the presents and the kids at the same time. Officer Schuettpelz and Holly dropped off the presents the next day. Officer Schuettpelz and Holly were talking with Lacy quite a bit that night and thought about making more visits to Lacy and her children.

Recently, while Lt. Culligan was making small talk with Officer Schuettpelz she discovered that Officer Schuettpelz and Holly continue to forge strong bonds with Lacy and her kids while off duty. Lacy has worked hard to turn her life around, and Officer Schuettpelz is helping her in that journey. With Officer Schuettpelz and Holly making it a point of taking her two older kids (Mia -8 years old, Michael 7 years old) off her hands for hours at a time; that can really help Lacy focus on her recovery and keeping her sanity with raising her three kids on her own. Officer Schuettpelz usually takes the kids to the park but has also taken them to the beach in summer, taken them out for dinner, played catch with them, made a tie-dye shirts together, and hung out at Holly's house together.

Officer Schuettpelz does not do this for the recognition (Lt. Culligan had to pull the information out of her), but she truly deserves to be recognized for doing the right thing, the right way, for the right reason. This is a great way to build trust within the community and foster relationships with these children that will likely never forget. She has chosen to be a positive role model in the lives of these children for no other reason than because she cares.

# 3rd Quarter

# Employee of the 4th Quarter

The Fourth Quarter Employee of the Quarter for 2020 is Officer Robert Block. In December, Officer Block handled two separate complaints of mail being stolen from mailboxes on the northwest side of the city.

Officer Block was able to obtain private video surveillance video from one of the home owners, which showed a very distinguishable identifiers including a dark colored gas cover, dark rims and a black plastic stripe down the center of the vehicle. Officer Block shared and communicated this information with Crime Prevention Sgt. Krock and a Crime Stoppers Press Release was created. Numerous tips came into MTPD regarding the Crime Stopper.

While on his days off, Officer Block contacted Lt. Arps at the MTPD because of his interest in solving these cases. He requested that someone immediately continue with follow-up on this case, so evidence was not lost related to the case. Two Rivers PD then checked the residence of a possible suspect that was provided to MTPD. Two Rivers Police Department advised that the suspect was spray painting the gas cover and rims of their vehicle when TRPD arrived on scene. It was also learned that the suspect was a pizza delivery driver and he delivered food to the same area on the same day that these thefts occurred.

When Officer Block returned to work, he set up an interview with the suspect and Officer Block obtained a full confession regarding the thefts. The suspect and his girlfriend were ultimately charged with two counts of theft each and the girlfriend was charged with obstructing. This work was a prime example of our mission to provide an "unrelenting pursuit of justice," for everyone.





# Crime Stoppers

273 Tips Reported

48 Arrests

\$9,500 Property Recovered

\$3,650 Cash Payout

## Tips Received

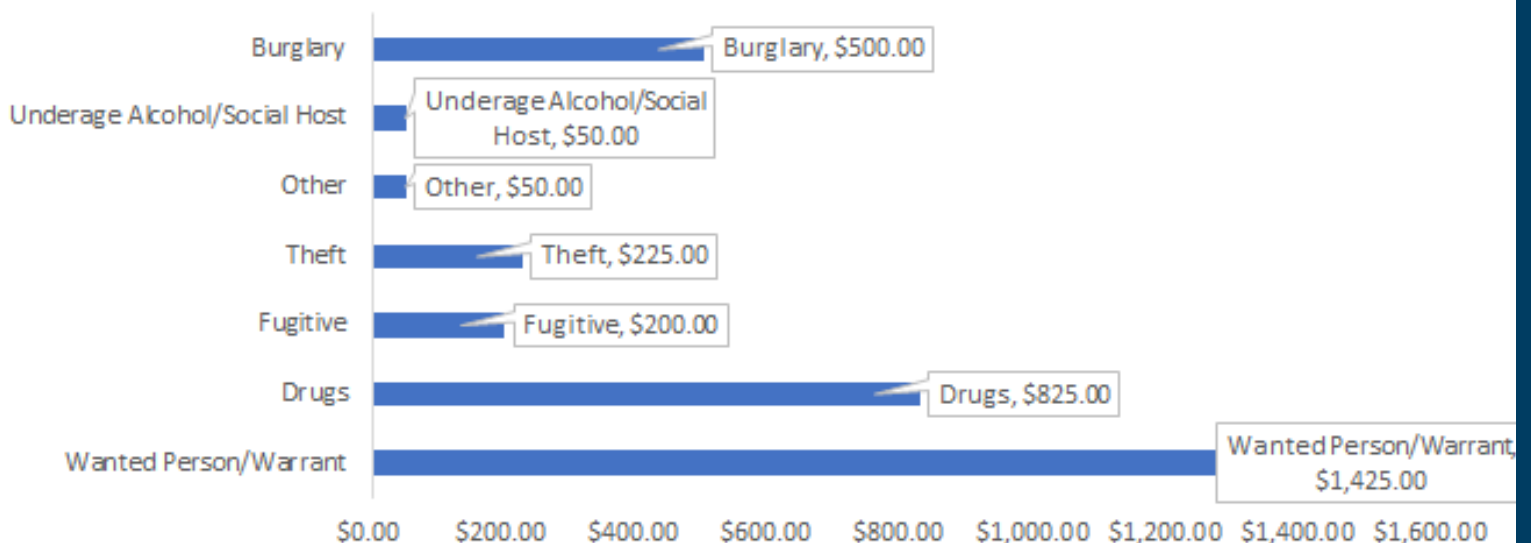
Abuse/Neglect	4
Burglary	5
Covid-19	3
Drugs	110
Homicide	2
Robbery	3
School Related Drugs	1
Sexual Assault	1
Theft	11
Underage Alcohol/Social Hosting	7
Vandalism	2
Wanted Person/Warrant	55
Other	68

## Property Recovered

\$3,000.00

\$6,500.00

### Cash Payout



# Evidence Room Statistics Property - Lost/Found

Evidence Tags Received  
**998**

Evidence Items Received  
**2,022**

Evidence Tags Disposed  
**884**

Evidence Items Disposed  
**1,176**

Bikes  
**82**

Downloads  
**5.64 TB**



## Property

Lost	<b>16</b>
Found	<b>242</b>

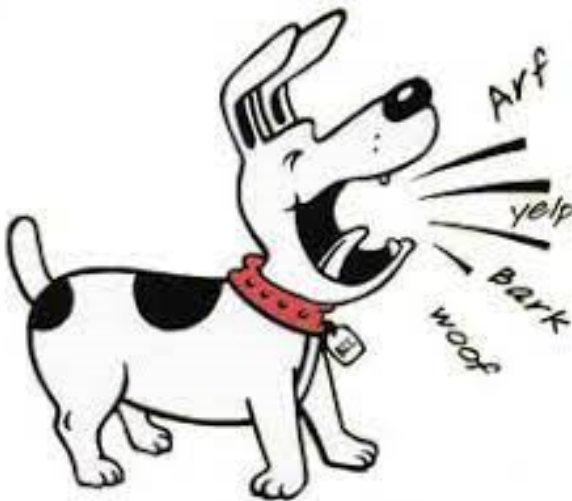
# Stats

## Parking Tickets

Total Parking Tickets	4491
Street Sweeping	1798
Overtime Parking	1155
Winter Ban	256
Snow Emergency	230
School Zone	47
Private Parking	149
No Parking	43
Parking Ticket Revenue Collected	\$136,569.49



## Animal Complaints



Animal Feces	4
Animals Injured	19
Animals At Large	198
Animal Bite	75
Animal Calls	382

# Stats

<b>Calls for Service</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
Calls for Service	28630	32113	32533	37343	33604
Incidents Generated	18109	19320	18907	19648	19257
<b>PART 1 Crimes</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
Homicide	1	0	3	0	1
Forcible Rape	5	6	3	6	3
Robbery	9	5	5	14	7
Assault	249	284	303	265	303
Burglary	66	45	104	163	168
Larceny/Theft	528	577	540	751	793
Motor Vehicle Theft	15	21	26	30	20
Arson	1	1	0	0	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>874</b>	<b>942</b>	<b>981</b>	<b>1229</b>	<b>1295</b>
<b>Patrol Division</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
Field Warnings	3753	5626	6301	4691	3423
Ordinance	1380	1870	1551	1968	1655
Traffic	2348	3483	3722	333	2769
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7481</b>	<b>10979</b>	<b>11574</b>	<b>9992</b>	<b>7847</b>
Criminal- Adult	1935	2166	2150	2164	2633
Criminal-Juvenile	146	146	226	383	259

<b>Accidents</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
Bicycle	5	15	7	8	12
Deer	37	25	54	54	58
Fatal	2	1	1		1
H&R	124	168	149	176	171
Injury	122	128	140	169	195
Non-Reportable	232	314	268	306	338
Pedestrian	5	13	4	14	13
Property Damage	499	632	538	570	621
Vehicle Fire	6	1	1	1	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1032</b>	<b>1297</b>	<b>1162</b>	<b>1298</b>	<b>1414</b>



# Media Releases

## Dog Bite

**06-09-2020**

The Manitowoc Police Department is asking for the public's help in locating a dog involved in a dog bite on Monday, June 8th, 2020, at approximately 10:30 pm. The victim reported that she was bitten by a gray and brown Pit bull dog wearing no collar or tags. The incident would have occurred on Columbus Street between S. 11th Street and S. 13th Street, in the City of Manitowoc.



## Welfare Complaint

**06/09/2020**

On Tuesday, June 9th, 2020, at approximately 06:21 a.m., the Manitowoc Police Department was dispatched to 1716 Cedar Grove Drive (Cedar Grove Drive Apartments), in the City of Manitowoc, for a check welfare complaint. The caller reported that a male subject was passed out inside a black Chevrolet Impala, which was parked in the parking lot.

At 6:32 am, MTPD Officers were outside of their squad cars attempting to make contact with the male subject, but he immediately fled the scene in the black, Chevrolet Impala. By the time the officers got back to their squad cars, they lost sight of the black Chevrolet Impala and they were initially unable to locate the vehicle.

At 6:35 am, the Manitowoc County Joint Dispatch Center (JDC) received a 911 call that there was an accident near the roundabout on Memorial Drive and Waldo Blvd involving a black Chevrolet Impala. The driver of the vehicle fled the scene and MTPD Officers set up a perimeter. A MTPD K9 Unit responded to assist.

At 7:09 am, the suspect was located thanks to an alert citizen, who notified MTPD of the suspect hiding under a bridge by the little Manitowoc River. The suspect was taken into custody without further incident. The suspect was identified as a 33 year-old Manitowoc male. There were no injuries as a result of the accident. The suspect was arrested and held at MTSO Jail on charges of Operating a motor vehicle while impaired, 1st Degree Recklessly Endangering Safety, Obstructing an officer, Possession of Methamphetamine with intent to deliver, Possession of Fentanyl with intent to deliver, Possession of drug paraphernalia, and a Probation Hold. Additional traffic citations will be issued to the suspect pending the investigation of the accident.

# Media Releases

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## Vehicle in the Manitowoc River



**07-25-20**

On 07-24-20, at approximately 1900 hrs., Manitowoc Police Officers were dispatched to the parking lot adjacent to 75 Maritime Dr, due to reports of a vehicle in the Manitowoc River. Initial reports indicated that a vehicle had been traveling on Maritime Dr, left the roadway for an unknown reason, and struck a tree. The vehicle continued on, ending up in the river. The vehicle was occupied and kayakers in the area attempted to assist the operator, but the vehicle sank.

A responding Manitowoc Police Officer, removed his duty gear, dove in, and attempted to assist the driver, but was thwarted by the depth and clarity of the water.

The vehicle was eventually located by the Manitowoc County Dive team and removed by HWY 42 garage.

The operator of the vehicle, a 26-year-old Manitowoc man, was pronounced dead at the scene.

This incident was supported by the Manitowoc City Fire Dept, WI State Patrol, Manitowoc County Sheriff's Dept., United States Coast Guard and the Whitelaw Fire Dept.

### **Re: Correction (Vehicle in Manitowoc River)**

Please note this correction to the previous media release sent out this morning. The vehicle left the roadway on Maritime Dr. and struck a parked vehicle in the Baymont Inn parking lot, not a tree as earlier indicated.

# Media Releases

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## Dog Bite

**08-14-2020**

On Thursday, August 13, 2020 between 9pm and 10pm a local juvenile was walking on the south sidewalk of Marshall St. near S. 13th St., when a small white dog with brown spots bit the juvenile. The juvenile was treated for non-life threatening injuries. Anyone with information regarding the dog's owner or the dog's whereabouts is asked to contact the Manitowoc Police Department Shift Commander at (920) 686-6551 or Crime Stoppers at (920) 683-4466.

## Armed Robbery

**08-18-2020**

On 08-17-2020 at approximately 2:00pm Manitowoc Police Department Officers were dispatched to a report of an armed robbery that occurred in an apartment in the 1700 block of Cedar Grove Dr. The suspect entered the victim's residence and pointed a handgun at the victim and at the victim's young child. The suspect fled with cash and property. The suspect is described as a male/black, approximately 18-25 years old, about 5'11" tall, about 165-170 pounds (medium build) with dark brown eyes. The suspect was last seen wearing a pullover with the hood pulled up; red/white/dark blue in color and dark denim jeans. Neither the victim nor the child was injured.



# Media Releases

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## Homicide Investigation

**08/21/2020**

On Thursday 08-20-20 at approximately 8:30pm, officers were dispatched to the 1000 block of Marshall Street for a complaint of a man being stabbed. Upon arrival, a 32 year old Manitowoc man was located collapsed outside a residence. The victim was rushed to a local hospital by ambulance where he was pronounced dead.

Prior to officer arrival, the suspect fled to a north side residence where he showered and changed clothes before being dropped off at another north side residence. The suspect was eventually taken into custody without further incident.

The suspect was identified as 40 year old, Craig W. Holtz. Holtz was transported to the Manitowoc County Jail where he was held on one count of First Degree Intentional Homicide in violation of S.S. 940.01, and a Probation Hold.

The Manitowoc Police Department was assisted by the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office, Manitowoc County SWAT team, Manitowoc County Dive Team, Metro Drug, Manitowoc Fire and Rescue, Wisconsin State Patrol, Wisconsin Department of Justice Crime Lab, and the Two Rivers Police Department.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with additional information is asked to contact the Shift Commander at (920)686-6551 or Detective McGinty at (920)686-6583.

### **Update - 08-24-20**

Craig Holtz is scheduled for a bail hearing today at 12:45 pm at the Manitowoc County Courthouse.

At this time, our detectives are conducting more interviews, search warrants, and other miscellaneous follow up. The investigation indicates that the victim was known to the suspect and the community is not in danger.

The Manitowoc Police Department does not have any further details to release at this point.

The name of the victim is not being released at this time

# Media Releases

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## **Armed Robbery**

**09-15-2020**

The Manitowoc Police Department responded to a report of an Armed Robbery at a business in the 100 block of Maritime Dr. at about 2:49 am on 09-14-2020. During the robbery, the suspect displayed a weapon and demanded cash. The suspect is described as a Male/Hispanic, about 6'01" tall, about 220 pounds, wearing a dark hooded sweatshirt, and a mask covering part of his face. No injuries were reported as a result of this incident.

## **Threats to Local Business**

**10-03-2020**

On the evening of 10-02-20, the Manitowoc Police Department was informed of threats made towards a Manitowoc business and its employees, that were posted on social media. Upon reviewing the videos, investigating Officers were able to identify the person, making the threats, as a 33-year-old Two Rivers man. The man published several videos threatening to harm the employees of the business.

Investigating Officers responded to the suspect's address, in Two Rivers. Upon making contact with the suspect, he locked the doors to the residence and refused to step outside. After numerous attempts to convince the suspect to surrender, via telephone, the suspect threatened to shoot any Officer that entered his residence. Officers then obtained both an arrest warrant, for the suspect, and a search warrant for the residence. With the assistance of Manitowoc County SWAT, the arrest and search warrants were served and the suspect was taken into custody without further incident. During the search, Officers discovered that the suspect had armed himself, after barricading himself in the residence.

he suspect was arrested on five felony counts of Making Terrorist Threats, one felony count of Threat to Law Enforcement Officer, and one felony count of Failure to Comply with Officer's Attempt to Take Person into Custody. The suspect is being held at the Manitowoc County Jail, pending a bail hearing.

The Manitowoc Police Department notified representatives of the local business and informed them of the threats and the arrest.

The Manitowoc Police Department would like to thank the concerned citizen who brought this information to our attention.

# Media Releases

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## Shots Fired

**11-05-2020**

On Wednesday 11-04-2020 at about 8:38pm, the Manitowoc Police Department responded to a report of shots fired in the 700 block of S. 24th St. Officers responded to the area and shortly thereafter, received information that an 18 year old Sheboygan man was at a local hospital with a gunshot wound. The victim received non-life threatening injuries. Evidence of shots being fired was located at the scene. Witnesses reported that two male suspects approached the car the victim was in and took an item from the victim. The suspects took off running and when the victim ran after them, shots were fired by the suspects, with one round striking the victim.

Suspect #1 is described as a white male in late teens shorter in stature. Suspect #2 is described as a black male in late teens about six feet tall with hair in short dreads.

No additional information will be released at this time.



## Dog Bite E. Cedar Dr./Holly Dr. Manitowoc

**11-21-2020**

The Manitowoc Police Department is looking for information in regards to a dog bite incident that occurred on Saturday, November 21st, 2020 between 4:30-5:30 in the area of E. Cedar Dr. and Holly Dr. in Manitowoc.

The bite victim was walking his dog on E. Cedar Dr. near Stangel Learning Community Building (old Stangel Elementary) when he was approached by a possible Lab/Boxer mix (darker in color, with an unknown color collar, and unknown gender) that approached the victim and his dog from the area of the condos and apartments to the North of E. Cedar Dr. The suspect dog lunged at the victim's dog, and eventually bit the victim. The suspect dog then ran off to the North, where the victim lost sight of the dog.

The Manitowoc Police Department is trying to identify the dog and the owner to get rabies vaccination information for medical treatment of the victim.

# Media Releases

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## **Dog Bite**

**11-30-2020**

The Manitowoc Police Department is looking for assistance in locating a dog owner. On 11-30-2020 at approximately 3:30 pm, a 37 year-old female was bit on her left calf by a small (approximately 5-10 lbs.) curly-haired brown and white dog while walking on Division St. near the intersection of S. 26th St.

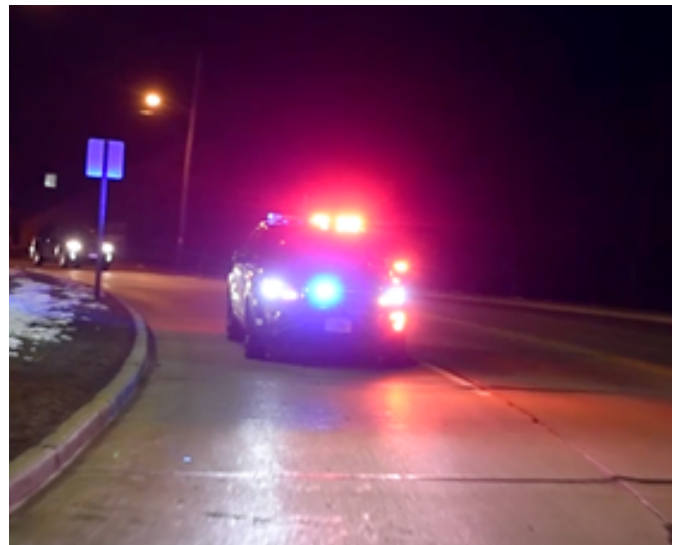
The female was walking with her two children when they saw the dog running back and forth across the street. As she was telling her children to walk the other direction, the dog chased after them. The female tried to get between the dog and her children and the dog bit her on her left calf. The female went to seek medical treatment for the bite and the incident was reported to the Police.

The suspect dog was described as a small to medium sized brown and white dog (approximately 5-10 lbs.) with white curly hair. The female victim believed the dog was wearing a collar but could not provide a better description.

## **Burglary**

**12-21-2020**

The Manitowoc Police Department responded to a report of a burglary of a storage unit on the North side of Manitowoc. The burglary was reported on 12-21-2020, but it could have occurred within the two months prior to the report being filed. Stolen in the burglary were numerous collectible items (games and figures), various collectible currency items and a men's Diamondback bicycle (blue in color).



# Chaplain Program

The Manitowoc Police Department Chaplains serve in a variety of ways, responding to calls whenever requested by officers, death scenes, and death notifications.

In 2020, there were approximately 18 callouts.

We currently have four primary active chaplains:

Matthew Sauer - First Presbyterian

Roger Harrison - Open Bible Baptist

Tom Pankow - Grace Lutheran

Ruthann Ross - St. Francis of Assisi



Chaplains do the following:

- Provide assistance to victims of trauma and crisis
- Make death notifications
- Assist at suicide incidents
- Deal with domestic disputes
- Serve as a member of the Crisis Response Team
- Serve as liaison with other clergy in the community
- Counsel police officers and other members of the department
- Counsel the families of the police officers
- Visit sick and injured officers and departmental personnel in their homes and at the hospital
- Educate police officers in areas such as stress management, ethics, family life, and pre-retirement
- Provide a variety of events during Police Appreciation Month
- Go on ride-a-longs with police officers
- Furnish expert answers for religious questions
- Offer prayers when requested at times of need and at special occasions
- Serve on review boards, award boards, and other committees