

MANITOWOC POLICE DEPARTMENT

2016 ANNUAL REPORT



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City Data

Population City of Manitowoc
33,783

Population of Manitowoc County
81,442

Type of Government
Mayor/Council

Incorporated as a City
March 12, 1870

Area of Manitowoc
Square Miles – nearly 19 square miles of land
Streets – 188.16 miles with approximately 900 intersections
Living Units – over 15,200
Commercial Buildings – over 900

Police Department Data

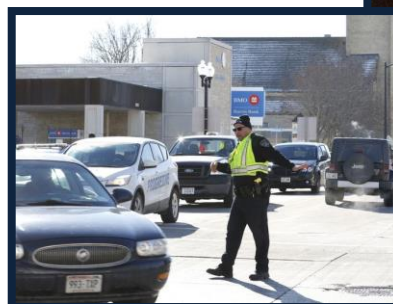
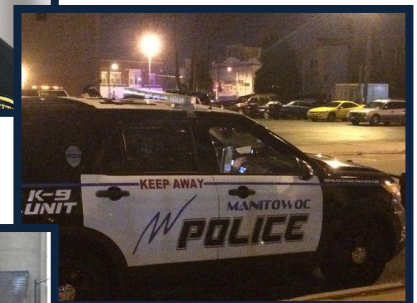
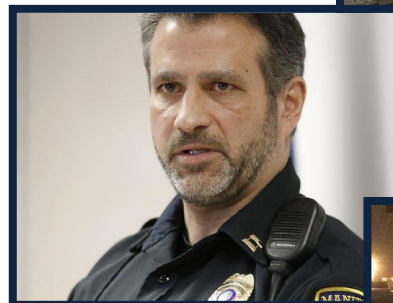
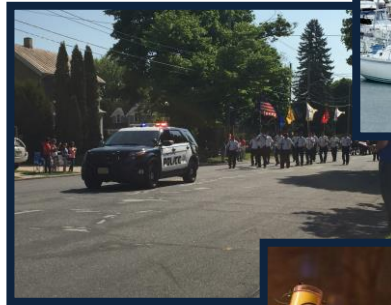
Manitowoc Police Department Established
1876 – 3 man department

Police and Fire Commission Formed
1901

Staff
64 Sworn Personnel; 10 Civilians; Interns

910 Jay Street
Moved to its current location on July 11, 1992

Budget
7.5 million dollars

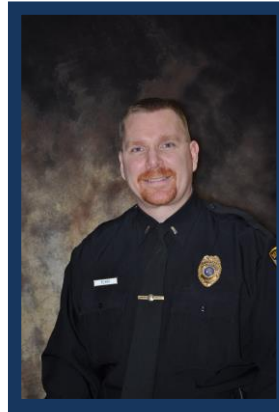




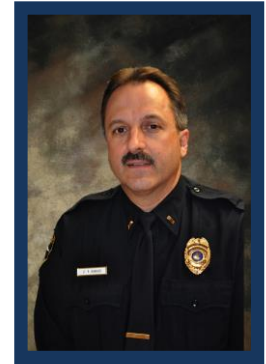
Manitowoc Police Department



Scott Luchterhand
Assistant Chief of Police



Nick Reimer
Chief of Police



Robert Barbier
Deputy Chief of Police

Our Mission is to work cooperatively with the community to prevent crime, maintain order and provide a safe environment for everyone.

MISSION GUIDED

We follow our mission statement, because we value life and dignity above all else. Therefore, we give first priority to situations that threaten life, use force only when necessary and treat everyone, as we would want to be treated.

TRUSTWORTHY

We believe integrity is the basis for community trust. Therefore, we hold ourselves to high standards of moral and ethical conduct.

PROFESSIONAL

We are accountable to each other and to the citizens we serve. Therefore, we communicate openly among ourselves and are responsive to a diverse community by acknowledging community values and expectations.

DEDICATED

We strive for personal and professional excellence. Therefore, we do our best by working as a team toward realistic, mutually agreed upon goals. We lead by example, recognizing a changing world, developing ourselves to our highest potential.

OUR VISION

We will be a model law enforcement organization, viewed both internally and externally, as progressive and innovative, willing to embrace new technologies, concepts, and ideas. Working together, we will develop an environment that allows for an open exchange of ideas and information, creates cohesiveness throughout the department, and promotes a sense of respect and understanding with our employees and the community as a whole.



City of Manitowoc

Mayor Justin Nickels



Alderman Mike Howe – District 1
Alderman Scott McMeans - District 2
Alderman Christopher Able – District 3
Alderman James Brey – District 4
Alderman Lee Kummer – District 5

Alderman Eric Sitkiewitz – District 6
Alderman Jill Hennessey – District 7
Alderman Dave Soeldner – District 8
Alderman Steven Czekala – District 9
Alderman Jason Sladky – District 10

Police and Fire Commission Members

In accordance with Wisconsin State Statute the Manitowoc Police Department has a Police & 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 Bare, Mary Schilder, Matt Sauer, Michael Wellner and Jill Hennessey

Paul Blashka – End of term April 2016

Public Safety Committee Members

Alderman Christopher Able, Committee Chair
Alderman Jason Sladky, Committee Co-Chair
Alderman Dave Soeldner
Alderman Lee Kummer
Alderman Steve Czekala

Chief's Message

...Message from Chief Nick Reimer

When I was promoted to serve as Chief of Police after the retirement of Tony Dick, I was honored. With one year in as Chief, I served in numerous roles and have witnessed the department go through many changes.

Our police department has been looking over several developments over the past few years that are also effecting all law enforcement agencies around the country. These developments include everything from how our department will continue to manage our personnel, to technology advancements and certainly the safety of our officers, while making the City of Manitowoc a place we can be proud of.

As baby boomers are preparing for their retirement in law enforcement, the millennials continue to gear up to enter one of the toughest professions. Baby boomers represented a strong work ethic and came into the field with a value system that put the job first. On the other hand, millennials emphasize employee well-being and growth, along with how their organization contributes to society. While these differences are not a bad thing, learning to manage these generational differences is the key. The make-up of our organization continues to evolve with not only the passage of time, but also with changes in the community and the organization.

The management of technology, with diminishing resources, is always a challenge for any organization. Technology has become an increasingly asset to maximize return on our investments to the community. While many of our systems, such as the multiple channel two way radio that can communicate with multiple agencies, in-car video system, radar units, in-car mobile data computer terminals, body cameras, cellphones, in-car printers, card readers, and the TRACS system, are not new to our officers, but the continuous updates and learning curve to these pieces of equipment continue to change in order to give officers the cutting edge of technology. Manpower shortages cause tremendous problems for departments as we attempt to maintain statistical reductions in crime. It is important for law enforcement to stay ahead of technology elements by focusing on the most advanced technology to assist in today's world where criminals transcend boundaries.

Our role of policing is complex at times, but we will always continue to place our community at the forefront and continue to provide strong community partnerships that build on our foundation. We are committed to providing excellent police service and an unrelenting pursuit of justice, while maintaining order and securing a safe environment for everyone.

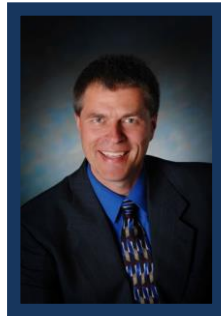
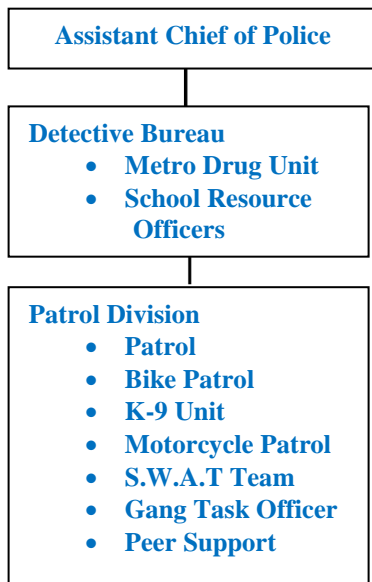
Personally, I want to say "thank you" to our officers and staff members for their hard work and dedication over the past year on keeping our community safe. Without their dedication we cannot be an integral part of the City of Manitowoc's success. Also, another heartfelt "thank you" to the community for their continued support of our department by the generous donations, multitude of cards and words of encouragement throughout the year. We hope to continue to make this community even greater!

Nick Reimer
Chief of Police

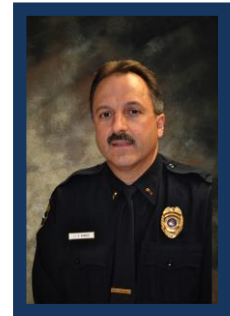
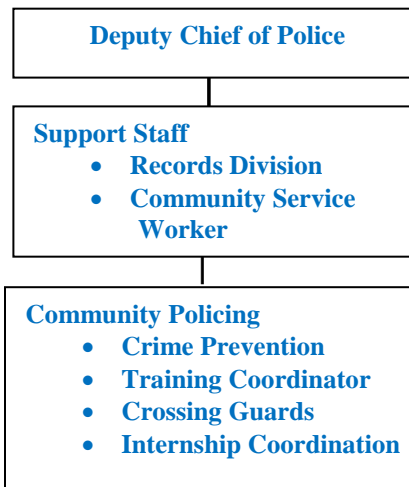


Operations/Support Divisions

...Assistant Chief Scott Luchterhand and Deputy Chief Robert Barbier



Assistant Chief
Scott Luchterhand



Deputy Chief
Robert Barbier

In 2016 there were several new faces around the Manitowoc Police Department. We filled six different patrol officer positions at the Manitowoc Police Department. We also had several interns rotate in and out of the department.

In 2016 Manitowoc budgeted for 64 sworn officers to protect a city that has grown to almost 19 square miles of land consisting of over 15,200 living units and over 900 commercial buildings. We patrol the 188.16 miles of streets consisting of approximately 900 intersections of which 2/3's are controlled by a sign or signal light. In 2016 your police department also employed 10 support staff along with 10 part-time crossing guards.

There were also several promotions in 2016. Assistant Chief Nick Reimer was promoted to Chief of Police at the beginning of the year. Captain of Detectives Scott Luchterhand was promoted to Assistant Chief of Police. Detective Sergeant Dave Vorpahl was promoted to Captain of Detectives. Detective Mike Stone was promoted to Sergeant of Detectives.

As a result of the fire department administration moving from the Public Safety Building to City Hall, the police department was able to expand into the other side of the Public Safety Building, where the fire department administration vacated several offices. Therefore, the detective bureau was moved to the vacated offices, which allowed the prior detective bureau area to be used as a centralized report room area. This had a bit of a domino effect where several offices were relocated and renovated to fit current needs. The previous Sergeant of Detectives office became the Captain of Patrol office. The past Captain of Detectives office was transformed into the new shift commander office. The old shift commander office became a much needed conference room. All of these changes took patience and a lot of hard work, but in the end it was well worth it. We feel we have better work spaces and offices that will make the police department even more effective and efficient.

Plans went underway to expand the women's locker room from eight lockers to fifteen lockers. This project will be completed in the beginning of 2017. The police department out grew this locker room while at one time maintaining eleven female sworn officers in 2016. In 1996, the department employed two female sworn officers.

Also in 2016 we purchased new dual band radios and switched to the new 800 MHz frequency band. This has given us better coverage and increased officer safety. It has also allowed for encryption to avoid releasing confidential juvenile and medical information, as well as increasing officer safety by not giving away our tactical operations and locations.

The department was able to purchase two radar boards. These boards have digital read outs and keep track of number of vehicles, times, and speeds. In addition, they are programmed to show messages to slow down and also to thank drivers that are operating within the speed limit. These radar boards were placed on N. Rapids Road and also Custer Street after complaints of speeding violations. They will be moved to other locations as needed in the future.

The police department helped guide projects regarding pedestrian safety in 2016. In cooperation with other city departments, pedestrian flashing lights were purchased and installed at S. 8th and Quay St., as well as Waldo Blvd. and N. 9th St intersections. These Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB's) have made it safer for pedestrians to cross at these intersections.

The members of the police department rose to the many challenges they faced in 2016 and they have continued to provide a high level of professional service to our community and its citizens. During 2016 there were 33,492 calls for service received by the county dispatchers assigned to the City of Manitowoc work station. These calls for service generated over 19,457 police incident reports. The remaining officers continued to investigate all forms of crime which left little time for self-initiated contacts with the public.

With your help Manitowoc will continue to earn accolades as a great place to live and work. Your help is important and may give us that one piece of the puzzle that solves a crime and promotes a successful prosecution. Please remember that we would rather be called and not needed than needed and not called. It is with the utmost respect, that I offer my thanks to all who have called with even the smallest bit of information in an effort to help the police solve or prevent community problems.

Change is inevitable so I ask that you all continue to work with us as we progress with new technology. The use of the city website at www.manitowoc.org allows citizens to sign up for alert notifications via text or e-mail for a variety of topics from sex offender releases to emergency parking restrictions or even the press releases we send to the media.

Citizens may also file police reports using the city website. The use of the internet reporting tools gives us the information and allows some flexibility to schedule and prioritize our work. Our Facebook Page and Twitter Accounts give the public greater access to gain firsthand knowledge about the Manitowoc Police Department. In 2016, we also added a K9 Facebook page and an Explorers Facebook page.

The 2016 Annual report will give you a brief explanation of the activities and actions of the city and your police department. There will be 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,

Scott Luchterhand

Rob Barbier



Steven Avery Demonstration

More than 50 people gathered outside the Manitowoc County Courthouse in downtown Manitowoc for a Pro-Steven Avery demonstration. The event drew travelers from Illinois, Minnesota, and Ohio. Manitowoc police reported that the demonstration remained peaceful.

Bomb Threats

A Federal government investigation into several bomb threats made against Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office. Two separate threats were called in just hours apart.

The first call stated there were "bombs in the building" and that a vehicle in the Sheriff's Office parking lot was "packed with explosives." Dispatchers were told there would be a "massacre." After the buildings were cleared, a second call was received indicating there was a bomb in the Sheriff's Office and the caller suggested there would be a "huge massacre."

The caller made a statement about getting "justice for Steven." Steven Avery is currently serving a life sentence for the Murder of Teresa Halbach more than 10 years ago, but his case recently gained national attention from the release of the Netflix documentary series "Making a Murderer."

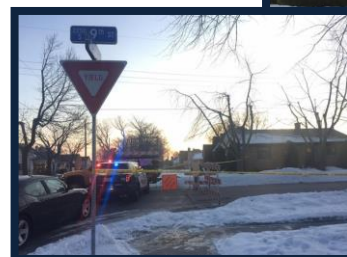
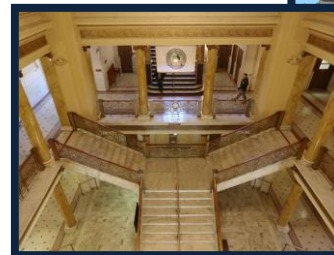
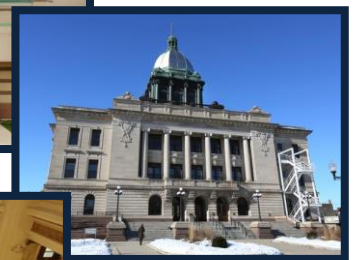
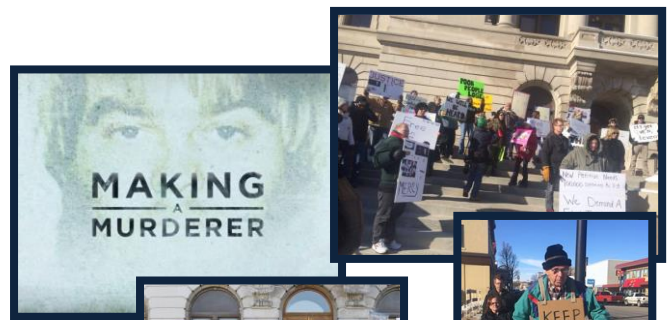
Manitowoc Police Department continue to work with members Of Wisconsin Department of Criminal Investigation to trace the origin of the calls.

Murder on the Southside

Quinn Smith was arrested in May as a suspect in the murder of Kor Yang. Yang was shot in the chest and abdomen at approx. 5:30 a.m. on Feb. 5th after answering knocks at his door. He died from his wounds.

Crime lab analysis determined the bullets were fired from a gun found in the 2100 block of Lakeside Blvd., which is about a half block from Yang's home in the 2200 block of S. 9th Street. Smith's DNA was found on the trigger of the gun. DNA evidence from the gun also connects Joe Vang to the murder.

Vang remains a suspect in the case and remains at large. Both Vang and Smith are known members of the Asian Crips Gang.



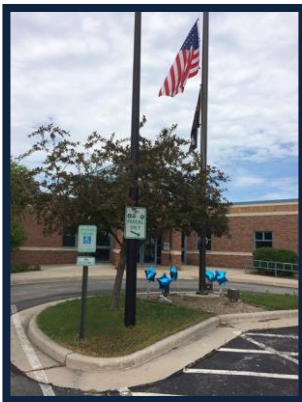
Carbon Monoxide

Seventeen people suffering carbon monoxide poisoning in the 1200 block of Washington St. were taken to local hospitals. Ten people—two families and two individuals—who resided on the upper level of the buildings on the block have been temporarily displaced. Four people were taken to Aurora St. Luke's Medical Center in Milwaukee to be treated with a hyperbaric chamber. One was flown to Milwaukee by helicopter. Fire Department's carbon monoxide level readings were greater than 100 at the entrance of the units.



Suicidal Subject

A 40 year old Manitowoc man was placed in protective custody after he climbed the communications tower in downtown Manitowoc and stayed there for nearly nine hours. Despite efforts from police officers, crisis negotiators from the Sheriff's Office and a tower rescue unit from Appleton, the distraught man climbed to the top of the tower, an estimated 150 feet. Eventually the male subject was coaxed to climb down and received treatment for exposure to the cold at a local hospital.



These 5 balloons were placed around our flag pole by a wonderful citizen in tribute to the 5 fallen officers of the Dallas Police Department. Thank you!

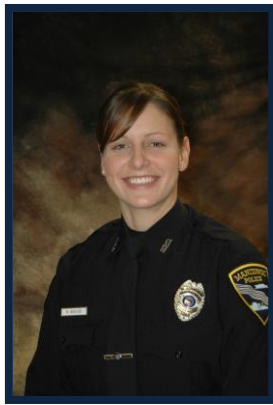
MTPD employees took on The Manitowoc County Miracles in a friendly game of baseball. One player on the losing team needed to do 20 push-ups.



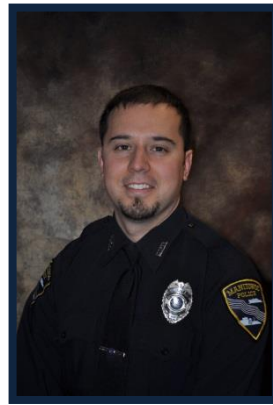
Changing Metal Art, Neenah, Wisconsin gifted the Manitowoc Police Department with one of a kind distressed American Flag. Thank you Mr. McGinnis!

2nd Annual Central Wisconsin Hero Games & Welcome Back Event!





Officer Miranda Check
Lincoln High School



Officer Paul Krock
Wilson Junior High School



Officer Michael Laabs
Washington Junior High School

As we approach the final stretch of the 2016-2017 school year, we realize that being School Resource Officers (SRO) in the Manitowoc Public School District (MPSD) is much more than just being a “Police Officer.” The youth look for guidance and support as they find their place in life. It is our civic duty to provide the children in our community with the resources they need to become productive members of our society.

Being an 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. During the school year, SRO’s are responsible for working collaboratively with MPSD Administration and staff in order to provide a safe learning environment for everyone. Officer Laabs and Officer Krock are also responsible for teaching D.A.R.E. in our community’s elementary schools. The D.A.R.E. program aims to provide our youth with the tools necessary to make good decisions in life.

With all of the diversity of today’s youth, we have responded to a total of 384 calls for service throughout MPSD during the current 2016-2017 school year. Not all calls result in a citation or arrest. Having SRO’s 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 can’t be addressed in any other way than through the court system. In any event, our youth are being held accountable either through restorative justice or the judicial system. All in all, the students of our community are well mannered, well educated, and traveling down the road for success.

All of the educational staff has 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.



**TO PROTECT
& EDUCATE:**
The School Resource Officer and the
Prevention of Violence in Schools



Chaplain Program

The MTPD Chaplains serve in a variety of ways, responding to calls whenever requested by officers, death scenes and death notifications. We currently have five primary, active chaplains:

- Matthew Sauer – First Presbyterian
- Roger Harrison – Open Bible Baptist
- Tom Pankow – Grace Lutheran
- Ruthann Ross – St. Francis of Assisi
- Bob Krejcie – Faith Evangelical Free



Our local Crime Stoppers program had an instrumental part in the success of our investigations. 2016 we received **108** Crime Stoppers and Quick 50 “tips”, which helped lead to solving **33 cases** and resulting in **36 total arrests**. Those are incredible results which really show the impact that citizens can make in our community. Keep those calls coming!



Metro Drug...

The Manitowoc Police Department is a member of the Manitowoc County Metro Drug Unit, which is a multi-jurisdictional drug task force. The Manitowoc Police have 2 Investigators assigned to the Drug Task Force in 2016 who work cooperatively with Investigators from Manitowoc County Sheriff’s Office, Two Rivers Police Department and Kiel Police Department.

In 2016, the Drug Task Force handled a total of **189 drug cases** of which heroin and methamphetamine related cases were the majority. The percentage of heroin and methamphetamine cases investigated **rose 16 percent in 2016 compared to 2015**.

The task force compiles numerous intelligence reports related to local individuals involved in drug use and distribution. This information is vital in supporting local drug overdose death investigations. The community will continue to see incidents of drug overdoses based on the increasing abuse and availability of heroin and prescription medication.

Recently, the drug task force conducted an extensive and lengthy investigation related to a local physician prescribing high volumes of prescription pain medication. This investigation was a cooperative effort with federal drug enforcement personnel and the U.S. Attorney’s Office. This case is still active and the prosecution of this case is progressing. Investigators conducted numerous contacts with local physicians and pharmacies upon the termination of the local physician. Investigators had concerns related to the potential dramatic decrease in prescribing and any health and safety concerns related to this change. This outreach was well received and gave local providers the opportunity to monitor individuals affected by this change.

It has been the goal of law enforcement to bring awareness to the potential result and consequences of individuals prescribed high volumes of prescription pain medication. Whether the elimination of these prescribing levels has made a positive change to the local community is difficult to measure.

It is known to law enforcement that crimes including, but not limited to theft, burglary and robbery have been directly associated with illegal drugs. Law enforcement recognizes that citizens addicted to illegal drugs often commit crimes to obtain the means to obtain more illegal drugs. The effort to curtail illegal drug distribution and abuse will continue to directly affect the crime rate in our community.

Evidence Room Statistics	
Evidence Tags Received	1,441
Evidence Tags Disposed	1,387
Items Logged into Evidence	2,327
Items of Evidence Disposed	2,303



S.W.A.T Team...

Currently there are four Manitowoc Police Department SWAT Officers assigned to the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office SWAT team. This historically was not the case, but due to cooperation between administration and the Manitowoc SWAT Officers in flexing schedules, more opportunity was able to be created. There is also one Manitowoc Police Department officers assigned as Crisis Negotiator that works with the SWAT team.

The SWAT team regularly trains 8 hours per month, for a total of 96 hours. This training included room clearing (deliberate and dynamic), breaching (ram, hooligan, shotgun), hostage rescue, officer rescue & emergency aid, vehicle contacts, field movement, use of night vision and thermal imaging, pole camera & Pepper Ball gun, active shooter response incorporating casualty collection points, shield use, smoke and chemical agent deployment, NFDD deployment and SKIDDS training. Firearms' training was incorporated in several training sessions and included both warm and cold weather shooting exercises.

In September, Firefighter/Paramedic Jacob Dettmering from West Allis Fire Department provided 8 hours of TEMS training. BearCat orientation training started in November. In December, Detective Brad Anderson and Deputy Scott McDonnell from Waukesha County Sheriff's Office provided an additional 8 hours of Bearcat training. This training consisted of class room lecture and practical applications. The Crisis Negotiations Team completed 22 hours of training. This training consisted of joint training with SWAT Operators, scenarios of negotiations utilizing their equipment, mutual aid equipment, and guest speakers.

The full SWAT team responded to six (6) requests for assistance in 2016. Two were for armed and suicidal subjects in the City of Two Rivers. Two were for high risk drug related knock and announce search warrants (one was in the City of Manitowoc and one was in the City of Two Rivers). One was for an arrest warrant within the City of Manitowoc and one was for a consent search for a wanted felon in the City of Manitowoc.

A "partial" SWAT team responded to seven (7) requests for assistance in 2016. All seven requests were from the Manitowoc County Metro Drug Unit and were for high risk drug related knock and announce search warrants. Five were in the City of Manitowoc and two were in the City of Two Rivers.

SWAT Operators pointed weapons and gave verbal commands to the individuals we encountered. A total of 23 adults and 4 children were detained. All individuals complied with verbal commands except one male, who received a vertical stun and was then directed to the ground for handcuffing, and a K-9 was utilized for presence. SWAT was required to use the following force options: Ram – (10), and Hooligan Tool – (1). One door was breached with a foot and one dog was sprayed with OC. All calls for assistance resulted in positive outcomes, with no one (Operators, Negotiators, or Suspects) receiving any reportable injuries during any of our calls for service in 2016.

In November, SWAT received a 2016 Lenco BearCat Generation II 4wd diesel power train armored vehicle. Other equipment obtained was a type III bang box for NFDD storage in the SWAT trailer, along with 19 EXPS3 Eotech sites for rifles.

Mtwc. Police Dept. SWAT Team Members:

Lt. Corie Pusel Officer Jeremy Weber
Det. Jason Erickson Officer John Musial

Crisis Negotiator – Officer Michaelyn Culligan



K-9 Unit

Officer Koenig/K9 Ullly Yearly Statistics:

- 1 bite
- 37 arrests
- .3g Ecstasy
- 3.7g Heroin
- 9.8g Marijuana
- 13.8g Methamphetamine
- 2.52g THC Wax
- 11 drug paraphernalia finds

12 Demonstrations/Presentations

Officer Place/K9 Major Yearly Statistics:

- 4 bites
- 42 arrests
- 134.5g marijuana
- 1.9g Heroin
- 23g Methamphetamine
- 34 drug paraphernalia finds

16 Demonstrations/Presentations



MANITOWOC K-9



Crossing Guards

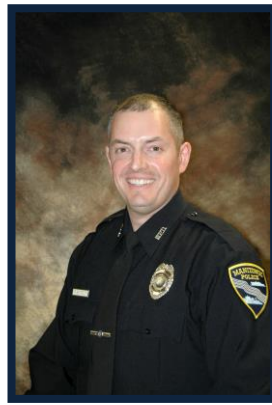
The Golden K Kiwanis had the privilege of hosting our Adult Crossing Guards at a breakfast honoring their dedicated service to the children of Manitowoc. Part of the mission statement of Kiwanis is “Serving the Children of the World”. Our crossing guards put that into practice every day during the school year.

Certificates of Appreciation were presented to each crossing guard by Chief Reimer and Lt. Matt Wallander.



Photo L/R Front: Crossing Guards Ray Morgan, Leo Szydel, Leanna Leonowicz, Rebecca Woodman. Back Row: Golden Kiwanis President Diana Reynolds, Sgt. Bruce Jacobs, Chief Nick Reimer, Crossing Guard Bob Becker, Lt. Matt Wallander, Assistant Chief Scott Luchterhand, Golden Kiwanis Breakfast Chairman Marty Boerst.

Missing from the photo, but also recognized at the event are Crossing Guards Jeanne Miller, Joanne Szydel, Ann Krueger, Laurie Hoppe and Kathy Hogan.



Training Division

...Lt. Paul Behrendt

2016 marked another busy year for training at the Manitowoc Police Department. We started the year with our three day in-service during the months of February, March, and April. Topics included a department update from the Chief, Assistant Chief, and Deputy Chief, drug overdose investigations, hazardous material precautions, legal update, electric and natural gas hazards, railroad information for first responders, and active shooter response drills.

Our next training was an eight hour tactical day conducted at our outdoor range during April and May. Topics included handgun malfunction drills, shooting skills course, seated draw drills, shooting drills using a ballistic shield, movement drills (forward/backward/lateral), rifle-review carry positions and condition of the rifle along with malfunction drills, and rifle shooting skills course.

In October and November we completed our semi-annual state required Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (EVOC). This consisted of a four hour power point created by the state along with a three hour driving skills course at the LTC track.

In the spring and fall we conducted annual state required handgun qualification.

The year was also busy with the training of new officers; we hired six officers that require 15 weeks of training each.

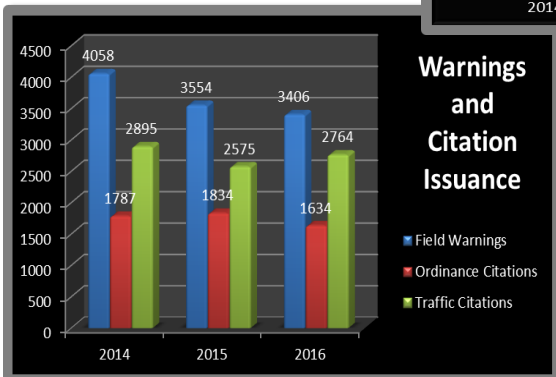
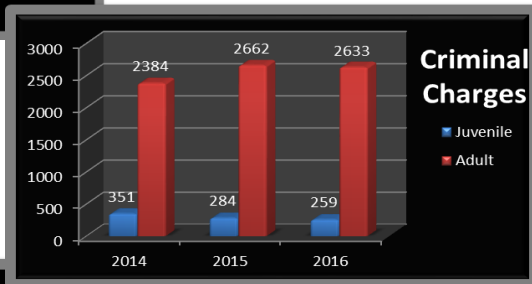
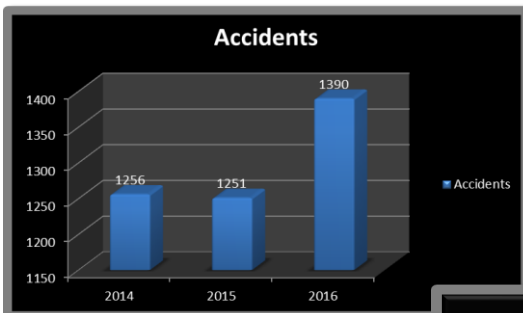


Records Division...

The Manitowoc Police Department (MTPD) is managed in accordance with departmental regulations and policies/procedures. The MTPD Records Division strives to maintain complete and accurate reporting practices in accordance to Wisconsin Incident Based Reporting. We process thousands of incident reports, accident reports, traffic and ordinance citations, along with field warnings and parking tickets. They also field numerous inquiries from the public, such as paying a citation, reporting an incident at the front counter, record checks or copies of accident reports.

Calls For Service	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Calls For Service	32462	33316	33399	33492	33604
Incident Reports Generated	18015	17695	17946	19457	19257

Part I Crimes					
5 Year Comparison	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Criminal Homicide	0	0	1	0	1
Forcible Rape	4	5	7	3	3
Robbery	11	5	7	2	7
Assault	255	348	333	336	303
Burglary	125	117	150	174	168
Larceny Theft	852	751	781	807	793
Motor Vehicle Theft	17	14	10	15	20
Grand Total	1264	1241	1289	1337	1295



Community Service Workers/Intern Program

Parking Ticket Statistics

Total Parking Tickets Issued: 6501

- Street Sweeping (2815)
- Winter Ban (1075)
- Overtime Parking (763)
- Snow Emergency (494)
- Brush Pick Up (323)
- Private Property (240)
- School Zone (117)

Parking Ticket Revenue Collected

\$171,212.83

Found Property Complaints

254 (2016) 263 (2015)
197 (2014) 247 (2013)



Animal Complaints

	2016	2015
Animal Feces	0	4
Animal Injured	1	7
Animal at Large	386	380
Animal Bite	73	98
Animal Calls	194	193
Animal Inspection	0	4



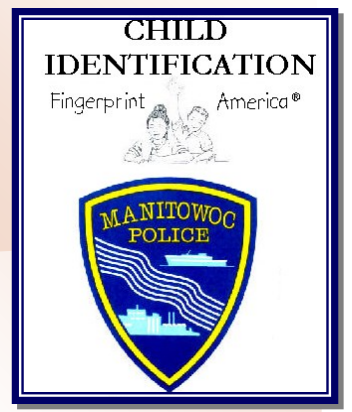


TAKE A BITE OUT OF **CRIME**

Manitowoc Crime Prevention



Manitowoc Police Department
910 Jay Street



FLEET WATCH
THIS DRIVER COMMUNICATES WITH
LAW ENFORCEMENT



Comings, Goings, Promotions ...

Comings...

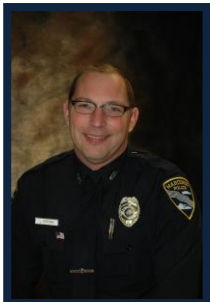
Amber Thiel	(Officer)	01-04-16
Lane Gosz	(Intern)	01-18-16
Alex Grant	(Intern)	04-21-16
Kayla Coggins	(Officer)	05-16-16
Lana Sieracki	(Seasonal)	05-17-16
Will Puestow	(Intern)	06-10-16
MacKenzie Powers	(Intern)	06-10-16
Alex Nebel	(Officer)	06-13-16
Amanda Baryenbruch	(Seasonal)	06-14-16
Peter McGinty	(Officer)	06-27-16
Deborah Farr	(Crossing Guard)	09-01-16
Amanda Irish	(Officer)	09-12-16
Cooper Schmidt	(Officer)	10-10-16



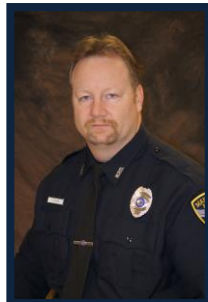
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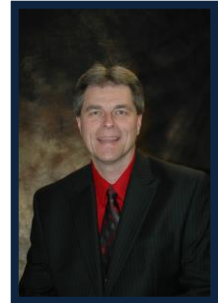
Chief Oscar "Tony" Dick
08-16-82 to 01-08-16



Officer Larry Perronne
03-20-94 to 05-27-16



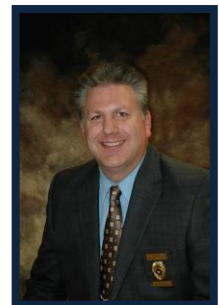
Officer Kurk Bessler
05-01-12 to 09-19-16



Scott Luchterhand
Assistant Chief of Police
Promoted on 01-11-16



David Vorpahl
Captain of Detectives
Promoted on 02-21-16



Michael Stone
Detective Sergeant
Promoted on 04-18-16

Awards...



Noon Rotary Officer of the Year ~ 2016

Officer Kurk Bessler

Congratulations to Officer Kurk Bessler for being nominated and selected as the Manitowoc Police Department's 2016 Noon Rotary Officer of the Year! Officer Bessler has been with our police department since May of 2012 working on the afternoon shift. Officer Bessler came to our department with 27 distinguished years of law enforcement experience. In addition to his normal patrol duties, Officer Bessler is routinely relied upon by his shift commanders and fellow officers to lend his expertise in high risk calls and training new officers on searches and barricaded subjects. Officer Bessler has put on several self-defense presentations and teaches several topics to the MTPD Explorers.

Last year Officer Bessler graduated from Motor Officer School. In his nomination, Officer Bessler was recognized for his endless commitment to interacting with members of our community. For years, Officer Bessler and his family have organized the local Shop with a Cop program. Officer Bessler has inspired fellow officers to join him in several different activities that have created positive interactions with members of the Holiday House. His supervisors noted that Officer Bessler is what our patrol officers should strive to be throughout their career, and is a stellar example to all of us on work ethic and dedication to duty. We would also like to recognize Officers Peter Dramm, Jeremy Weber, and Michaelyn Culligan who, based on their excellent performance over the past year, were also nominated for this award.



Eagles Club Police Officer of the Year ~ 2015

Officer Jeffrey Hyler

The Manitowoc Police Department is very pleased to announce that the recipient of the 2015 Eagles Club Police Officer of the Year Award is Officer Jeffrey Hyler. This was the second year in a row that Officer Hyler was nominated for this prestigious award. Officer Hyler has served on the Manitowoc Police Department since August of 1993. He was initially assigned as a third shift patrolman where he spent the first eight years of his career. He also did one year of second shift patrol. Officer Hyler applied for and was chosen as our department's Metro Drug Officer where he assisted the Manitowoc County Metro Drug Unit for three years. He has since spent the past decade assigned to dayshift patrol.

Other activities that Officer Hyler has participated while serving the Manitowoc Police Department include being a D.A.R.E. Instructor, Assisting with the Citizen's Academy, Bike Patrol, Field Training Officer, Vehicle Contact Instructor, E.V.O.C and D.A.A.T. Instructor.

In past years, Officer Hyler has volunteered his time to help coach girls' softball in Francis Creek, chaperone dances for the school system, assisted with coaching of the Lincoln High School Girls Junior Varsity Basketball Program, as well as the Freshman Girls Basketball Programs at both Wilson Jr. High School and Washington Jr. High School. Officer Hyler has not only leads, but continues to lead many presentations at our local Junior High Schools. He has taught students on such various topics as: Civil War Weaponry, Civil War Currency, Grand Army of the Republic, World War I and "Magic" Gaming. By presenting his knowledge to these students, Officer Hyler ensures that our students understand and appreciate our nation's history and the sacrifice our soldiers have given.

For several years now Officer Hyler has met with the Manitowoc County Civil War Round Table (MCCWRT) and participates in the many activities they sponsor. Officer Hyler currently serves as President of the MCCWRT Board of Directors and leads the monthly meetings for their organization.

One of the events Officer Hyler recently participated in included the Grand Army of the Republic Flagpole

Dedication in Evergreen Cemetery. This ceremony took place after it was discovered that the GAR flagpole was in disarray and needed replacing. Another major event that Officer Hyler helped organize and participate in was the “Lincoln Weekend,” which commemorated the 150th Anniversary of the end of the Civil War and the death of President Lincoln. This event, which took place in April 2015, included such things as the “Search for the Conspirators”, “Lincoln’s Funeral Train”, and a “Dinner and Theater” evening.

And finally, if all that wasn’t enough, Officer Hyler has even found time to volunteer as a committee member with our local Boy Scouts Troop 915. It is for all of these reasons that we are much honored to present Officer Jeffrey Hyler as this year’s recipient of the Eagles Club Police Officer of the Year Award. Congratulations Jeff!!

Employee of the Quarter(s)...



The employee of the quarter for the first quarter of 2016 is Detective Dave McCue. He did a terrific job investigating a sexual assault complaint that originated back in 1997. Undeterred by the length of time gone by, his investigation revolved around a young girl who would stay at her mother’s “friends” house while they babysat for her.

Detective McCue not only demonstrated excellent technical and organizational skills during the investigation, but also he showed superb leadership and team orientation skills by exposing a junior detective to this very complex sexual assault investigation. In fact he also utilized the junior detective in several “one-party consent” phone calls to gather evidence against the suspect.

This case proved even more difficult than usual, as the victim was currently serving time in the Taycheedah Correctional Institute. As we know even making a simple phone call to a victim in prison can become a daunting task. In this case, not only did Detective McCue need to do this on several occasions, but also he made an in-person interview with her about these allegations. As a result of this case we charged out repeated acts of Sexual Assault of a Child. The case is currently going through the Manitowoc Court system.



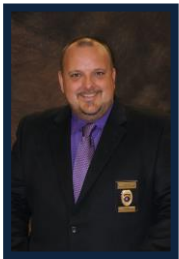
Officer Rick Ladwig was selected to be the employee of the quarter for the second quarter of 2016. Rick coupled his computer skills and his creative skills to produce the new user guide for the TraCS 10 Accident Diagram program. This is yet another user friendly manual that Rick has assembled for us. Rick is the one who originally created the Technology Handbook, back when the pocket note book and pencil started to give way to digital recorders, VieVu cameras and squad computers. It would take a long time to site all of the examples of Rick’s willingness to help out his fellow Officers. I can’t recall a time where Rick said he was too busy to help someone get logged on to their computer or assist with any other computer related problems. And we won’t even get into his willingness to “Unleash the Kraken” whenever we need eyes in the sky.

An equally important component of this Employee of the Quarter recognition is all of the hard work Rick has been doing testing Mobile 10.2. Rick is and has been the main “Field Tester” for this software package. He has previewed the product as it was offered from the vendor, gathered information from officers on the road and then demonstrated the ability and stamina to work with the software engineers to adjust this program to fit our needs. Rick’s efforts in this area are commendable and imperative to the continued success and growth of our department. Thanks Rick!



Officer Mike Trainor is the Manitowoc Police Department Employee of the Quarter for the 3rd quarter of 2016. Mike helped investigate a residential burglary complaint at 812 State St. His quick actions resulted in the immediate capture and arrest of the suspect involved in the burglary.

In this particular case officers quickly responded to the scene and set up a perimeter around the residence. A short time later contact was made with the suspect. Eventually the suspect made a statement and admissions to the crime, in large part as a result of the proper interrogation that was done. The suspect was arrested for burglary. Officer Trainor and the other officers involved followed up this excellent field work with a well-documented report that “painted a picture” of what took place during the burglary. This is the perfect example of excellent “teamwork” in action.



Detective Dave McCue is the Manitowoc Police Department Employee of the Quarter for the 4th Quarter. On September 27, 2016 Third Shift Officers were intricately involved in the investigation of several burglaries throughout our city. Upon his arrival at work, Detective McCue immediately went to assist those officers using his experience from prior investigations to discuss various options the officers could use with their current investigation. He then took it upon himself to go to the suspect’s residence where he was able to obtain a consent search of the residence. During this search Dave was able to identify property from these burglaries. By assisting his fellow officers he allowed them the opportunity to get their other work complete (evidence processing, paperwork, etc.). This is truly an excellent example of “teamwork” and was much appreciated by the officers and supervisors on third shift.

On December 21, 2016 our department was contacted by MTSO to take over an investigation that they had originally started. There was some confusion as to who’s jurisdiction the incident actually occurred in, but rather than getting caught up in any drama Detective McCue decided to do what was best for the victim and take over the investigation. Upon hearing this, without prompting, he immediately volunteered to assist Officer Ver Velde who had been assigned to look into this complaint. With his assistance the two were able to obtain a confession from the complainant that showed she was in fact not a victim of a sexual assault, but was in fact injured when helping her friend who had been involved in a traffic crash in the county and was trying to cover it up. Detective McCue’s recent actions are a shining example of exactly what we’re looking for from our employees.

These are excellent examples of “teamwork” and were much appreciated by the officers and supervisors. “Dedication” has been one of the core values of our Mission here at the Manitowoc Police Department. A major component of that value is that “we do our best by working together as a team towards realistic, mutually agreed upon goals.” As a department we are always encouraging our employees to work together as a “team” striving to do our absolute best for our community.



Memorial Day Parade

Front Row: Chief Reimer, Officer Thiel, Officer Clark, Officer Rocklewitz, Officer Albright, Deputy Chief Barbier.

Back Row: Lt. Behrendt, Officer Barnes, Lt. Schroeder, Capt. Freiboth, Officer Laabs, Lt. Arps.

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