

Manitowoc Police Department

2018 Annual Report



Chief Nick Reimer

910 Jay St., Manitowoc WI

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City Data

Population City of Manitowoc
33,572

Population of Manitowoc County
81,076

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/Seasonal(s)

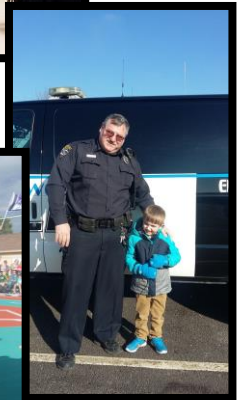
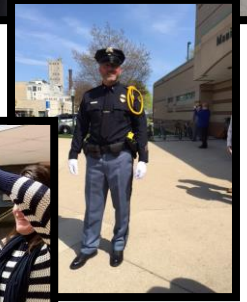
910 Jay Street
Moved to its current location on July 11, 1992

Budget
7.7 million dollars

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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.C.U.C - EXCELLENCE

- **INTEGRITY** - We believe in always having the highest moral standards while doing the right thing, the right way, for the right reasons.
- **COURAGE** - 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.
- **UNITY** - We believe in cohesive teamwork in our department for the betterment of our community.
- **COMPASSION** - We treat everyone with dignity and respect regardless of their background or circumstances.
- **EXCELLENCE** - We believe in consistently surpassing ordinary standards in the performance of our duty.



City of Manitowoc

Mayor Justin Nickels



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

Alderman Eric Sitkiewitz – District 6
Alderman Todd Lotz – District 7
Alderman Dave Soeldner – District 8
Alderman Steven Czekala – District 9
Alderman Rhienna Gabriel – 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, Michael Wellner, Matt Sauer, Jill Hennessey and Theodore Zigmunt

Mary Schilder – End of term March 2017

Public Safety Committee Members

Alderman Michael Howe, Committee Chair
Alderman Dave Soeldner, Committee Vice-Chair
Alderman Steve Czekala
Alderman Jeremiah Novak
Alderman Todd Lotz

Alderman Able – End of term April 2017
Alderman Kummer – End of term April 2017
Alderman Sladky – End of term April 2017

Chief's Message

...Serving with Honor Chief Nick Reimer

In 2018 the Manitowoc Police Department remained busy hiring new officers and training, creating a Safe Exchange Zone in the Police Department lot, adding a 16' X 20' shooting range storage building, and adding new equipment to help keep the public safe.

Additionally in 2018, the police department's proactive enforcement philosophy resulted in the lowest amount of traffic accidents in the last three years. In 2018 compared to 2016, there were 252 less traffic crashes in the City of Manitowoc. That amounts to an 18% reduction.

After 30 years with the Manitowoc Police Department, Crime Prevention Sergeant Bruce Jacobs retired in 2018. Detective Andy Trilling was promoted to Crime Prevention Sergeant as a result. Officer Pete McGinty was promoted to Detective to fill the void left by Sgt. Trilling. As a result of retirements in 2018, the police department hired three (3) officers. All three (3) hires had local ties to the Manitowoc community.

The City of Manitowoc added an additional 360 degree camera in its upper parking lot off of Jay St. This added the needed surveillance coverage to develop the parking lot as a safe exchange zone for internet purchases and child custody exchanges. We added a sign indicating it was a safe exchange zone and notified the community through various channels, including social media.

In 2018 we were able to secure the funds for a newly built storage building at our outdoor shooting range to replace the old, undersized, and dilapidated shed. We were able to utilize the existing foundation to construct the building on, as it was in good shape. This building will help maintain our steel targets, barricades, and other needed equipment while also providing shelter for training during inclement weather.

One of our biggest complaints from citizens in years past has been speeding. In addition to increasing enforcement in reported infraction areas, the police department purchased two (2) additional electronic speed display radar boards (powered by solar energy). These boards can be put into stealth mode without displaying speeds in order to accurately collect speed data. In regular mode the boards display the speed of the vehicles and a message to slow down or a thank you message for obeying the speed limit.

We received a \$90,000 Wisconsin Department of Justice Grant to help combat drugs and human trafficking in our community in 2018. We used this grant to add extra proactive enforcement for drug interdiction deployments and human trafficking stings. In addition to removing drugs off the street, this grant assisted us in making 73 arrests for human trafficking. We also identified 15 high risk victims; three (3) of which accepted services to better their lives. Human Trafficking stings resulted in \$185,832 worth of forfeitures issued to offenders.

Our officers and employees of the police department were involved in several volunteer and fundraising efforts throughout the year. Some examples include 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 like never before to share valuable information, give tips, and solve crime. Engaging the community to improve quality of life and safety remains a priority for the Manitowoc Police Department.

The 2018 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!

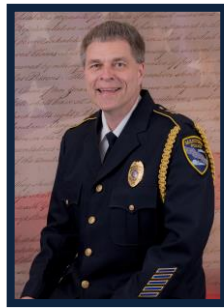
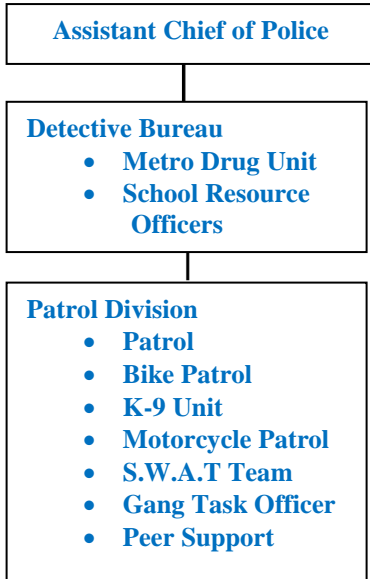
Sincerely,

Nick Reimer

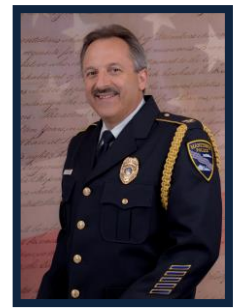
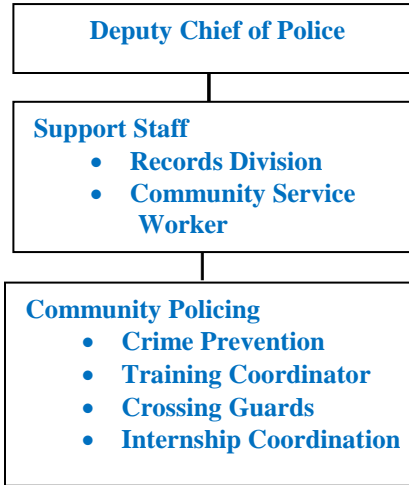
Chief of Police

Operations/Support Divisions

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



Assistant Chief
Scott Luchterhand



Deputy Chief
Robert Barbier

2018 Media Releases

Armed Robbery

Shortly after 5:00 p.m. on January 4th, 2018, the Manitowoc Police Department received a complaint of an armed robbery that occurred at a residence near the intersection of Washington Street and South 16th Street. During subsequent interviews with the victim, officers learned that the victim and a friend went to a residence in the area of Washington Street and South 16th Street with the intent to purchase marijuana. Upon entering the residence, the victim was held against his will while the suspects robbed him of his cash. The victim's friend was outside, but when the victim started yelling for help, his friend forced his way into the apartment. One of the suspects pointed a black handgun at the victim and threatened to shoot the victim and friend, but they were able to escape the apartment unharmed.



A search warrant was obtained and with assistance from the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office Special Operations Squad (SOS), the warrant was executed and the apartment was cleared. The suspects were not located on scene and are still at large.

The suspects are described as three black males, two of which have short dreadlocks.

False Robbery Complaint

On Sunday, March 25, 2018, at approximately 1131 hrs., Austin Fendrick called The Manitowoc Police Department to report that he was robbed at gun point at a local hotel parking lot. Fendrick provided specific additional details surrounding the alleged incident that led to the arrest of a Manitowoc resident on the charge of armed robbery.



During follow up interviews with the alleged victim and the review of digital phone records, investigators discovered inconsistencies in Fendrick's story. Fendrick eventually admitted that he fabricated the story because the

previous night his vehicle ran out of gas. Fendrick did not think his mother would help him get back home, so he told her the same fabricated story that he eventually told law enforcement. Fendrick will be charged with two counts of obstructing an officer. Charges against the original suspect, Gavin Schlaeger, have since been dismissed

Assault

On Thursday, March 29, 2018, at 12:42 a.m., Manitowoc Police Department officers were dispatched to a residence on the south side Manitowoc for a report of a female who had been assaulted. The female was reportedly strangled, punched, and cut with an axe. When officers arrived on scene, they were notified by the victim that the suspect is her boyfriend, who she lives with. The female indicated that she had been held against her will in a nearby garage, and that her boyfriend held an axe to her neck. While vocally threatening her, he cut her, causing a non-life threatening laceration to her neck. It was reported that the boyfriend proceeded to use an electric grinder on the victim, which resulted in cuts to the victim's ankle. The victim had also been strangled and punched by the boyfriend during the incident. The suspect, a 48 year old Manitowoc man, was soon located on the property and was taken into custody after a brief struggle, in which an electronic control device and pepper spray had been deployed. The suspect was held at the Manitowoc County Jail on charges of False Imprisonment, Recklessly Endanger Safety with a Dangerous Weapon, Strangulation, Disorderly Conduct, Resisting an Officer, Felony Bail Jumping, and a Probation Hold.

The victim, a 48 year old Manitowoc woman, suffered non-life threatening injuries.



Suspicious Death

During the early morning hours of March 30th, 2018, the Manitowoc Police Department was dispatched with Manitowoc Fire and Rescue to the 1800 block of Madison Street in Manitowoc for a subject who was non-responsive. The subject, who is not yet being identified pending family notifications, was transported to a local hospital where he was declared deceased. The death is considered suspicious and is still being investigated by detectives from the Manitowoc Police Department.



Death Investigation

On Friday April 20th, at 2:27 p.m., the Manitowoc Police Department responded to 903 South 11th Street for a report of a possible shooting at that residence. Officers entered the residence and located a deceased male later identified as Randy Michael Loze, who is 49 years of age. There were no other persons present in the residence. Detectives spoke with a relative of the deceased who originally called in the complaint to dispatch. Detectives learned from the relative that the suspect, identified as Felicia Marie Kuehnl, 24 years of age, came to the relative's house on the south side of Manitowoc and disclosed that she shot Mr. Loze at 903 S. 11th St. Ms. Kuehnl then left the relative's house at a high rate of speed driving Mr. Loze's 2006 Dodge Charger.



Mr. Loze's vehicle information was broadcasted to local law enforcement for an attempt to locate Ms. Kuehnl.

At 3:26 p.m., a Manitowoc County Sheriff's Lieutenant located Mr. Loze's vehicle parked in the area of Fleetwood Drive and Fleet Crest in the City of Manitowoc. A high speed chase ensued and the vehicle was stopped at 3:30 p.m. on N. 10th St. at Maritime Drive, just north of the bridge. Ms. Kuehnl fled on foot from the vehicle and a short distance later was taken into custody. Ms. Kuehnl was later booked into the Manitowoc County Jail on a Probation & Parole warrant. She was later charged by the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office with Knowingly Flee an Officer, which is a felony. Charges related to the homicide of Mr. Loze are likely to be filed soon against Ms. Kuehl.

The investigation is on-going. The police department was assisted by the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office, Manitowoc County Coroner's Office, Manitowoc County District Attorney's Office, Manitowoc Fire Department, the State of Wisconsin Crime Lab and the Wisconsin State Patrol.

Kidnapping



On Thursday, May 3, 2018, at approximately 0800 hrs., the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office was investigating a reckless endangerment incident where a female victim jumped out of a vehicle that was travelling S/B on I-43. During that investigation, it was learned that the victim was initially assaulted at her residence in the City of Manitowoc.

The Manitowoc Police Department was then dispatched to a south side residence for a possible missing person complaint. A male caller arrived home to find a broken car window, blood in the driveway and residence, and his wife and dog were missing.

After further investigation, it was learned that Jamal Rudd II and Tamaro Williams drove from Milwaukee to Manitowoc to confront the victim about some possible stolen property. While Williams waited in the vehicle, Rudd entered the unlocked residence and confronted the victim. Rudd allegedly physically assaulted the victim and repeatedly strangled her while verbally threatening to kill her. Rudd dragged the victim out of her residence and forced her into the backseat of the waiting vehicle. While struggling with the victim as they passed the victim's parked vehicle, a door window was broken. The victim's dog followed them outside and eventually jumped in the suspect vehicle.

While the suspects were en-route to Milwaukee, Rudd continued to physically assault the victim. At one point the victim was attempting to jump out of the rear car window and Williams slowed down as Rudd tried to keep her in the vehicle. The victim eventually escaped from the vehicle and may have had her arm run over by the rear tire. The victim was transported to a local hospital for non-life threatening injuries. Witnesses stopped to check on the victim and corroborated her story.

Manitowoc law enforcement sent out an attempt to locate message to law enforcement agencies along the I-43 corridor to be on the lookout for our suspect vehicle.

The suspects continued southbound on I-43. Rudd eventually exited the vehicle somewhere in Sheboygan County. The Sheboygan County Sheriff's Office began searching for Rudd. Rudd eluded law enforcement overnight until this morning when he was apprehended on several outstanding felony warrants for prior gun related incidents in our jurisdiction.

The victim's dog was eventually released from the vehicle and was captured and turned over to the Sheboygan County animal shelter.

Williams continued traveling southbound on I-43 before he was eventually apprehended reference this incident. Both suspects were transported to the Manitowoc County Jail where they are being held on the following charges.

Tamaro Williams – Party to the Crime of Kidnapping, Intimidation of a Witness, Intimidation of a Victim, and False Imprisonment.

Jamal L. Rudd II – Kidnapping, Intimidation of a Witness, Intimidation of a Victim, False Imprisonment, Strangulation, Battery, and Burglary.

Fatal Accident

On Saturday, May 26, 2018, at 10:30 a.m., responders from the Manitowoc Police Department and Manitowoc Fire and Rescue responded to a report of a pickup truck versus a motorcycle accident in the 3800 block of Calumet Avenue. Witnesses told officers, upon their arrival, that a 2002 GMC pickup truck, being operated by a 70-year-old male from Valders, was west bound on Calumet Avenue, while a 2001 Kawasaki motorcycle, operated by a 16-year-old male, also from Valders, was east bound in the same block of Calumet Avenue, when the pickup truck turned left into the path of the motorcycle. The 16-year-old motorcyclist was taken to Holy Family Medical Center for treatment of his injuries. The operator of the pickup truck was uninjured. The Wisconsin State Patrol assisted with a reconstruction of the accident scene, while the Manitowoc Police Department drone was used to take video and still photographs of the scene to assist with the investigation.



Bomb Threat

On June 2, 2018, at approximately 5:20 p.m., the Manitowoc Police Department was notified of a bomb threat at the Manitowoc Walmart Store, 4115 Calumet Ave. Officers responded and assisted with evacuating the store. The Manitowoc Police Department was assisted by the Brown County Sheriff's Office and the Green Bay Police Department for use of their K-9's that specialize in explosive detection. No explosive devices were located and no one was injured.



Missing Adult

On June 12th, 2018, at approximately 2:04 a.m., a Manitowoc Police Department officer was conducting moving patrol when he saw a sport utility vehicle traveling west on Franklin Street near S. 17th Street, in the City of Manitowoc, at a higher rate of speed. The officer also saw that the SUV'S high beams were activated.



A traffic stop was conducted in the 2200 block of Franklin Street and contact was made with a 71 year old female from the suburban Milwaukee area. The officer learned that a Silver Alert had been activated for the female, who had been reported as missing since 06-11-18, at 10:30 a.m.

The female was transported to the Manitowoc Police Department and was safely reunited with her husband at approximately 4:20 a.m., on June 12th.

“A Silver Alert is a statewide program that was effective August 1, 2014, to protect Wisconsin seniors. Similar to an Amber Alert, Silver Alerts will go out by email, text message, or fax through the Wisconsin Crime Alert Network to notify the public that an adult with Alzheimer's, dementia, or other permanent cognitive impairment is missing.”

Vehicle/Pedestrian Accident

On July 15th, 2018, shortly after 7:00 p.m., the Manitowoc Police Department and Manitowoc Rescue Squad were dispatched to N. 18th Street near Wisconsin Ave. in the City of Manitowoc, adjacent to the Manitowoc Aquatic Center, for a vehicle/pedestrian



accident involving a 2-year old female child. The child reportedly darted into the street and was struck by a southbound vehicle. The child, a 2-year old Mosinee girl, was found to be in serious condition with life-threatening injuries. She was transported to a local hospital and airlifted to a local Trauma Center for further medical care. The driver of the vehicle, a 61-year old Manitowoc woman, was not injured.

The scene of the crash is on N. 18th Street and the street was closed from Rankin Street to Michigan Ave. while the Wisconsin State Patrol and Manitowoc Police Department reconstruct the crash.

The Manitowoc Police Department was assisted at the scene by the Manitowoc Rescue Squad, Manitowoc Sheriff's Office, and Wisconsin State Patrol.

Armed Robbery

On July 24, 2018, at approximately 2:40 p.m., officers were dispatched to an armed robbery at a business in the 1700 block of S. 41st St. Witnesses stated the suspect entered the business, displayed a weapon and demanded cash. The suspect is described as a male/white, wearing sunglasses, a black hooded pullover sweatshirt, black shorts with a silver stripe and white tennis shoes. The suspect was last seen running behind the business on foot. The suspect did take an undisclosed amount of cash. The victim in this case was not injured.



Death Investigation

On Saturday, July 28th, 2018, at about 4:45 a.m., officers and detectives from the Manitowoc Police Department responded to a local hospital for a report of a 3 year old child from Manitowoc being treated for severe external and internal injuries. The child was later transported to a medical facility outside of Manitowoc County for further treatment. The child died later that evening.



The Manitowoc Police Department has been actively investigating the events that led to the death of the child. Through the course of the investigation, it was learned two individuals care for the 3 year old child, while the child's parent was working. During that time, the investigation revealed the two individuals were ingesting illegal drugs. Those two individuals also have a 5 year old that was at the residence during this time as well.

One of the caregivers, a 46 year old Manitowoc man, is currently in the Manitowoc County Jail on a warrant. The other caregiver is a 38 year old Manitowoc woman, who was taken to the Manitowoc County Jail.

Charges are being referred to the District Attorney's Office against the man and woman for Neglecting a Child (felony) and drug related charges (felony).

The investigation into the death of the 3 year old child is continuing. An autopsy has been conducted and the results are pending.

Attempted Robbery

On Sunday, August 5, 2018, at approximately 1256 hrs., dispatch received a complaint of an attempted robbery at Wendy's Restaurant, located at 4441 Calumet Ave. The suspect presented a note requesting money and made reference to a weapon. No money was turned over and the suspect fled the area on foot. The Manitowoc Police Department was assisted by Manitowoc County Sheriff Deputies and deployed K9 units and the drone, but they were unable to locate the suspect.



Disturbance/Possible Vehicle Entries

On Monday, August 20th, 2018, at 12:53 a.m., Manitowoc Police Department officers were called to the 1200 block of S. 13th Street in the City of Manitowoc for a report of a disturbance. Alert citizens had phoned MTPD after seeing a suspicious male in their driveway and their car alarm was sounding. The citizens confronted the male, which MTPD does not recommend, and an altercation occurred.



Officers made contact with the male suspect, who was identified as a twenty-two year old Manitowoc male. The male suspect had numerous, miscellaneous items on his person, and based on the complaint, officers believe that the items were possibly stolen.

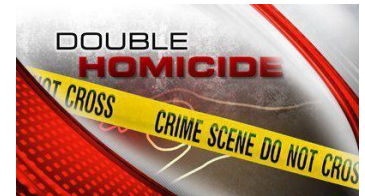
The male was held at the Manitowoc County Jail on charges of Disorderly Conduct, four counts of Possession of a Non-Controlled Substance, and Felony Bail Jumping for violating bail conditions on a previous incident. He was also cited for Prowling.

The Manitowoc Police Department encourages citizens to lock their vehicles, garages, and houses and to contact the MTPD if they observe suspicious subjects and vehicles in their neighborhood. Rather than approaching a suspect or suspects, MTPD recommends phoning the police and monitoring the suspect or suspects from inside your residence until police arrive.

MTPD is asking neighbors in the area between S. 10th Street and S. 14th Street, and Marshall Street south to Division Street to check their vehicles and property.

Double Homicide

The Manitowoc Police Department is continuing to investigate the death investigation that occurred on September 9th, 2018, at 3709 Dale St. At this time the names of the victims are being identified as 51-year-old Richard Miller, and his 19-year-old daughter, Jocelyn Miller.



It has also come to the attention of the Manitowoc Police Department that numerous versions of what occurred at the scene are being talked about on social media. We are investigating this crime as a double homicide, and at this time, investigators are continuing to investigate this crime.

Again, we want to emphasize that we have no reason to believe the general public is in any danger. We are asking the public to call if they any information related to this crime.

If anyone has any information they believe could assist in the investigation, we are asking they call the Manitowoc Police Department at (920)686-6551, Det. Kowalski at (920)686-6584 or Det. McGinty at (920)686-6583. People with information who wish to remain anonymous can call Crime Stoppers at (920)683-4466 and may be eligible for a cash reward up to \$2,000.

The investigation into these deaths is an ongoing process and we will notify the media if we are able to do a live news conference at a later date.

Officer Involved Shooting

On Sunday, September 16th 2018, at about 4:43 a.m., a Manitowoc Police officer and Manitowoc Fire Department personnel responded to 1551 S. 35th St. for an activated fire alarm. While investigating the complaint the officer became involved in a confrontation with a male subject. Initial indications are that the



suspect was armed with a blunt instrument. As a result of the confrontation the officer discharged his firearm. The suspect was pronounced dead at the scene. Contrary to social media reports, this incident is not related to the double homicide that was reported last week.

The Wisconsin Department of Justice Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) was contacted and the investigation was turned over to DCI per policy and State Statute. As a result, the Manitowoc Police Department will be unable to provide any further media releases or interviews in order to protect the integrity of the investigation done by DCI. For any further information about the investigation please contact DCI.

The officer involved in this incident will be placed on paid administrative leave according to Department Policy during the investigation.

Update: After consideration of all of the evidence and circumstances surrounding the incident, the District Attorney's office concluded that Officer Clark's use of force was justifiable and there is no probable cause to believe that Officer Clark committed any criminal offense. Based on these findings Officer Clark will be restored to active duty immediately. Further information is available on the Wisconsin Department of Justice website.

Drug Arrest

On Friday, November 2nd, 2018, during the afternoon hours, Manitowoc Police officers, working a state funded Drug and Warrant Interdiction Grant, conducted a check for a wanted subject at a residence on the south side of the city, near Franklin Elementary School. Upon arrival, officers on scene detected the odor of marijuana. Upon further investigation of the odor, they found the wanted subject they were looking for in the basement of the residence. A search warrant was applied for and granted, and officers on scene located a distributable amount of drugs, including methamphetamine, heroin, marijuana, and high concentrate THC, also known as dabs. Also seized from the residence were a scale, a loaded firearm, drug packaging material, US currency, and various other items associated with the distribution of illicit drugs.



The Dept. of Human Services has been involved, and two children were removed from the residence due to the exposure to the above listed controlled substances. One of the occupants, a 30-year-old Manitowoc male is facing numerous criminal charges including possession with intent to distribute heroin, methamphetamine, and heroin, all within 1,000 ft. of a school and while armed. Further charges include keeper of a drug house, child neglect, possession of drug paraphernalia, and bail jumping. The other occupant, a 29-year-old Manitowoc female, is facing charges of keeper of a drug house and child neglect.

Disturbance/Shots Fired

On Saturday, November 4th, 2018, at approximately 10:35 p.m., Manitowoc Police Department officers were called to 4921 Expo Drive, the Manitowoc County Expo Grounds, in the City of Manitowoc, for a report of a fight with shots being fired.



Upon arrival, officers learned that there was a physical altercation involving several males. During the altercation, a male discharged a handgun and officers located casings at the scene. There were injuries from the physical altercation; however, officers do not believe that anyone was injured from the handgun being discharged.

The suspect with the handgun was described as a male, Asian, in his twenties, with long, braided hair, and he was wearing a black jacket. The suspect also reportedly was bleeding from his face. Witnesses reported that the suspect left prior to officers' arrival in either a red sports utility vehicle or a black sedan (unknown make).



2018 Crime Prevention Award
Walmart & Employees



Safety Patrol Picnic
at Silver Creek Park



Lincoln High
School
Graduation



CP Sgt. Trilling
at Lakeshore Child Care Center



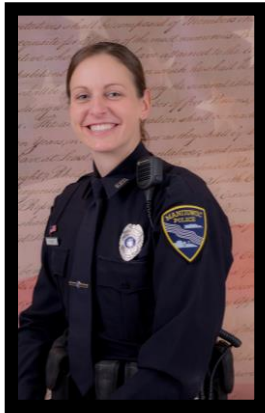
2018 Citizen's Academy Graduates



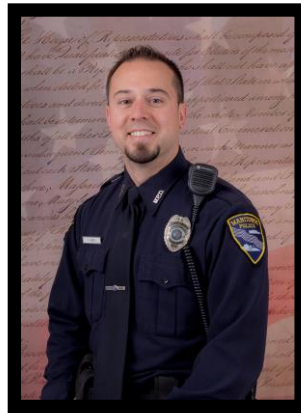
MTPD Support Staff introduced a 4 month long
MTPD "10" Most Wanted Food Drive



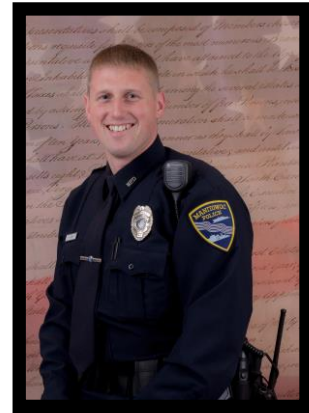
MTPD partnered with Dan Hagenow Productions to
make a video of the Manitowoc Police Department.



Miranda Check
Lincoln High School



Paul Krock
Wilson Junior High School



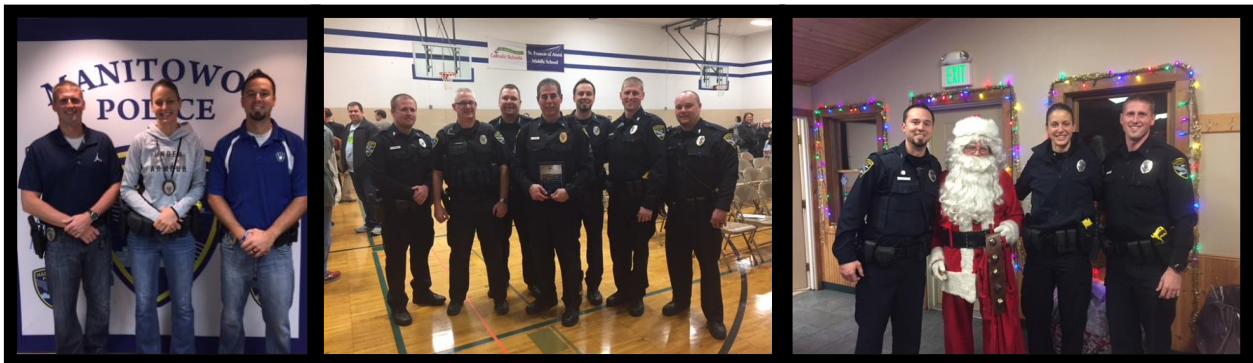
Michael Laabs
Washington Junior High School

As we approach the final stretch of the 2018-2019 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 to us 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, SROs 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, which aims to provide our youth with the tools necessary to make safe and responsible choices. As SROs we are also involved in the Youth Engagement Coalition, which engages youth through trauma informed practices and is meant to ensure our community’s youth graduate from high school.

With all of the diversity of today’s youth, we responded to a total of 309 calls for service throughout MPSD during the 2017-2018 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, either through 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 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.



Metro Drug...

In 2018, the Manitowoc County Metro Drug Unit maintained adequate staffing from each member agency that included the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office, Manitowoc Police Department and the Two Rivers Police Department. This consistent commitment by each member agency is vital to the goals and objectives of the multi-jurisdictional drug task force (DTF). The DTF has been assisted by multiple, drug investigative agencies and investigators throughout the year. This has been essential to maintaining cooperative coordinated efforts in identifying, responding and charging numerous individuals, groups and drug trafficking organizations (DTO's) with the intent of disrupting and dismantling these activities in our local communities and region. These cooperative efforts have been assisted by the addition of a local DTF investigator assigned to the Green Bay Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Task Force Officer (TFO) program. This addition has created access, resources and investigative tools to the local DTF office. This unfunded position has resulted in positive efforts which have now developed into a partially funded position to assist with local, regional and federal investigations.

Numerous opportunities have been provided to the DTF, to include additional funding for personnel related costs. This funding is specific to DTF investigators and additional law enforcement personnel assisting with local drug investigations. These opportunities have been in the form of grants provided by the Department of Justice earmarked for overtime related expenses. Any overtime related costs incurred from methamphetamine, heroin, opiate and marijuana manufacturing/cultivation related investigations are reimbursable through multiple grant awards. These grant opportunities have been very beneficial to the DTF and its member agencies that struggle with overtime related costs and overtime budgets. These grant opportunities will continue throughout 2019 with additional funding awarded to the DTF for equipment and supply related expenses.

Overall, the DTF has again experienced an increase in methamphetamine related intelligence, cases, arrests and search warrants. This is a consistent and overall trend both locally, regionally, and nationwide. The reason for this increase is the basic principle of supply and demand. Many of the heroins addicted have graduated to a cheaper, more readily available and highly addictive stimulant. Addiction recovery subjects will consistently provide details of their battle through drug addiction and how the discovery from heroin to methamphetamine changed their lives, for the worse. There are many challenges that affect the cycle of addiction, but the local availability of methamphetamine dramatically changed the scope and level of the drug epidemic in our local communities. ***Methamphetamine related investigations were double the number of heroin related investigations conducted by the DTF in 2018. Nearly the same numbers of heroin related investigations were conducted as marijuana related investigations. This can be attributed to a combination of less heroin being used/distributed and more marijuana being used/distributed.***

In 2018, the DTF focused more time and resources toward responding to citizen complaints of drug nuisance properties in their neighborhood. In fifteen plus years of narcotics enforcement experience, I do not recall a period of time that had as many citizen complaint contacts reporting drug related activity at a location within the cities of Manitowoc, Two Rivers and rural Manitowoc County. This can be attributed to many different factors. It is believed to be a result of a combination of increased drug activity AND community outreach/education provided by the DTF to local groups/organizations requesting information and education on drug trends and response to neighborhood nuisance rental properties.

<u>Drug</u>	<u>Offense</u>	<u># of Cases/Investigations</u>
Marijuana (THC)	Possession	9
Marijuana (THC)	Delivery/Distribute	20
Heroin	Possession	7
Heroin	Delivery/Distribute	23
Methamphetamine	Possession	15
Methamphetamine	Delivery/Distribute	45

<u>Drug</u>	<u>Offense</u>	<u># of Cases/Investigations</u>
Cocaine	Possession	3
Cocaine	Delivery/Distribute	3
Prescription/Sch. II – IV	Possession	8
Prescription/Sch. II – IV	Delivery/Distribute	8
LSD	Possession	1
Psilocybin	Possession	1
Methamphetamine	Manufacture	3
Marijuana	Manufacture	3
Drug Paraphernalia	Possession	20

Case/Investigation Type – Violation/Charge

Consent Search (Residence)	11
Search Warrants (Residence)	42
Keeper of Drug House / Vehicle	14
Bail Jumping Violation	25
Child Endangerment / Neglect	4
Drug Offense – Repeater	17

**Evidence Room
Statistics**

Evidence Tags Received
1,612

Evidence Tags Disposed
1,465

Items Logged into Evidence
2,926

Items of Evidence Disposed
2,586

Tagged Bicycles
135

Downloads

Photo, Video, Audio, Squad
or VieVu Downloads
2,033 Case Folders

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. 2018 we received **47** Crime Stoppers and **6** Quick 50 “tips”, which helped lead to solving **21** cases and resulting in **16 total arrests**. Those are incredible results which really show the impact that citizens can make in our community. Keep those calls coming!



**Click It or Ticket
Results**



May 21st to June 3rd

~ 182 Self -Initiated
Traffic Stops

~ 87 Traffic Citations

~ 151 Written Warnings

The Manistowic Police Department would like to remind vehicle occupants that consistent safety belt use is the single most effective way to protect people from being ejected from a vehicle during a crash.

MTPD Drug Interdiction Team...

There are currently 15 members on the MTPD Drug Interdiction Team. In 2018, MTPD received a \$90,000 grant from the Department of Justice. This aided our ability to schedule additional proactive deployments. In the past, we relied on grant money from the OWI Task Force to schedule additional deployments. MTPD conducted 33 deployments between April and December of 2018. Officers are working these deployments when they are not already scheduled to work. The following are total stats from those deployments:

Officers on this team have received specialized training in drug interdiction and four of the officers are drug recognition experts (DRE's).

Traffic stops	316
Traffic citations	207
OWI Arrests	4
Ordinance citations	13
Misdemeanor charges	27
Felony charges	22
Subjects taken to jail	45
Hours worked	676
Warnings issued	286
K9 Sniffs	29
K9 alerts	14
Warrant/commit. Checks	84
Warrant/commit. Arrests	50
PO Holds	8
THC seized	73.8 grams
Meth seized	6.6 grams
Heroin seized	1.6 grams
Stolen bicycles recovered	1
Stolen vehicles recovered	1
Firearms recovered	1
Search warrants (residences)	1

Members of MTPD Interdiction Team
Officer Jason Koenig (K9)
Officer Nick Place (K9)
Officer Rebecca Schuettpelz
Officer DeValk
Officer Clark
Officer Nolan
Officer Barnes
Officer VanKauwenberg
Officer Nebel
Officer Novack
Officer Rocklewitz
Officer Albright
Officer Ploederl
Officer Schmidt
Officer Thiel
Lieutenant Erickson
Lieutenant Kronforst

Overall, this past year was a huge success! One of the main goals was to see officers use their additional training and experiences while on patrol as well, and this has led to numerous other drug arrests by DIT (drug interdiction team) members throughout the year.



S.W.A.T Team

The overall purpose of a Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) and Crisis Negotiations Team (CNT) is to deal with situations that standard patrol officers are not as well trained and equipped to handle. Deploying SWAT/CNT teams can save officers', victims' and even suspects' lives. All SWAT/CNT officers are police officers and are on call 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

The SWAT team continued to train 8 hours per month. SWAT trained a total of 96 hours as a team. 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, Bearcat training (tactics, shooting and breaching), 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 indoor and outdoor shooting exercises. A joint training was also conducted with the Kewaunee County SWAT team at the former Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant, as well as members being part of the Active Shooter Drill conducted at Mishicot High School

Officer Weber attended training and became certified as an instructor in the use of NFDD, Impact, Chemical Munitions, and Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings, along with attending a Homemade Explosives Course. Officer Musial attended the 2018 WI - ASP SWAT Conference in Milwaukee. Tryouts were held in October to fill open positions on the SWAT team and Officer Cooper Schmidt was selected to become a member. Officer Schmidt attended "Basic" SWAT School in the fall. The Crisis Negotiations Team completed 24 hours of training. This training consisted of joint training with SWAT Operators, scenarios of negotiations utilizing their equipment, and mutual aid equipment.

The SWAT team continues to update their specialized equipment needs. SWAT obtained a new Go-Pro camera and accessories to replace the dated "pole camera" system. The SWAT team is in need of a new and larger trailer due to added equipment.

The full SWAT team responded to six (6) requests for assistance. Three (3) were for felony search warrants, one of which was in the City of Manitowoc, and one in the County of Manitowoc, and one in the City of Two Rivers. Two (2) calls for service were for felony apprehensions, one of which was in the City of Two Rivers, while the other was in the City of Manitowoc. Kiel Police Department also requested SWAT assistance in regard to an active shooter situation at the Kiel High School.

A partial SWAT team responded to eleven (11) requests for assistance. Nine (9) requests were from the Manitowoc County Metro Drug Unit and were for high risk drug related warrants, eight (8) were in the City of Manitowoc, and (1) in the Village of Whitelaw. MTSO requested assistance in executing a search warrant in Maribel for the Outagamie County Sheriff's Office, and one (1) by U.S. Capital Police in assisting in dignitary protection in City of Manitowoc. All calls for assistance resulted in positive outcomes, with no MTPD officers receiving any reportable injuries during any of our calls for service in 2018.

Manitowoc Police Department SWAT Officers currently consist of: Officer Jeremy Weber, Lt. John Musial, Officer Nick Place and Officer Cooper Schmidt. Manitowoc Police Department Crisis Negotiators currently consist of Lt. Michaelyn Culligan and Officer Fielder Clark.



Community Service Workers/Intern Program...

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 Jason Freiboth and Lieutenant Karl Puestow, with direct supervision of the interns by the department's Community Service Worker, Danny Harms.

In 2018, the following students worked as Community Service Worker Interns for the Manitowoc Police Department:

- Matt Klein
- Austin Schleis
- Derek Hansen
- Steven Toltzman
- Stephen Heili
- Natalie Kloiber
- Tyler Hill

Three of these interns eventually attained police officer positions upon completion of their internships.



Parking Ticket Statistics

Total Parking Tickets Issued: 5133

- Street Sweeping (2412)
- Overtime Parking (872)
- Winter Ban (799)
- Snow Emergency (211)
- School Zone (174)
- Private Property (171)
- No Parking (120)

Parking Ticket Revenue Collected
\$157,729.81

Found Property Complaints

343 (2018)	254 (2016)
345 (2017)	263 (2015)



Animal Complaints

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Animal Feces	1	1
Animal Injured	15	0
Animal at Large	286	352
Animal Bite	109	78
Animal Calls	240	211
Animal Inspection	0	0



Crossing Guards...



The Manitowoc Police Department employs ten 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.

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 Crime Prevention Sgt. Bruce Jacobs and Chief Reimer.

In 2018, the following adults worked as School Crossing Guards for the Manitowoc Police Department: Leanna Leonowicz, Bob Becker, Rebecca Woodman, Laurie Hoppe, Leo Szydel, Ray Morgan, Deborah Farr, Jeanette Miller, Ann Krueger, and Sharon Hoppe. Community Service Worker Danny Harms and the CSW Interns will fill in for the paid crossing guards on days they are unavailable.





Training Division

...Lt. Paul Behrendt

2018 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 January, February, and March. Topics included a department update from the Chief, Assistant Chief, and Deputy Chief, legal update, fire safety, forensic web, micro expressions, human trafficking, Metro Drug, SWAT, Hostage Negotiations, active shooter techniques review, and rescue team scenarios with the Manitowoc Fire Department.

Our next training was in May and included a combined Emergency Vehicle Operators Course (EVOC) at LTC and firearms training at our outdoor range. The EVOC training is a state required training that focused on safe driving techniques during high speed pursuits. The firearms portion included handgun malfunction drills, shooting skills course, 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 we had an eight (8) hour tactical training day that included Defense and Arrest Tactics (DAAT) training along with firearms training. In DAAT training the focus was a review of ground fighting techniques. The firearms training included the state mandated annual handgun qualification, non-traditional shooting positions with the handgun and rifle, and conforming to non-traditional cover.

The year was also busy with the training of new officers; we hired three (3) officers that require four (4) months of training each. To assist with new hire training the department purchased an electronic program called Iron DOR. The three (3) officers hired this year went through the program and so far the field training officers (FTO) said the program was a big improvement. It allows the FTO to spend more time training and less time writing, our old system was pen and paper.



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	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Calls For Service	33399	33492	33604	37343	32533
Incident Reports Generated	17946	19457	19257	19648	18907

Part I Crimes					
5 Year Comparison	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Criminal Homicide	1	0	1	0	3
Forcible Rape	7	3	3	6	3
Robbery	7	2	7	14	5
Assault	333	336	303	265	303
Burglary	150	174	168	163	104
Larceny Theft	781	807	793	751	540
Motor Vehicle Theft	10	15	20	30	26
Grand Total	1289	1337	1295	1229	984

PATROL DIVISION	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Field Warnings Issued	3884	3317	3423	4691	6301
Ordinance Citations Issued	1573	1571	1655	1968	1551
Traffic Citations Issued	2794	2343	2769	3333	3722
Total Citations/Warnings Issued	8251	7231	7847	9992	11574
Criminal Charges - Adult	1573	1571	2633	2164	2150
Criminal Charges - Juvenile	351	284	259	383	226

ACCIDENTS	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Bicycle Accidents	0	0	12	8	7
Deer Accidents	59	51	58	54	54
Fatal Accidents	0	2	1	0	1
Hit & Run Accidents	138	114	171	176	149
Injury Accidents	172	191	195	169	140
Non Reportable Accidents	322	386	338	306	268
Pedestrian Accidents	1	1	13	14	4
Property Damage Accidents	599	572	621	570	538
Yearly Total of Accidents	1291	1318	1414	1298	1162



2018 was another successful year for the K9 Unit. The K9 Unit is comprised of K9 Major/Officer Nick Place and K9 Neko/Officer Jason Koenig. K9 Major is a five year old Belgian Malinois and K9 Neko is a two year old Sable German Shepherd. Both K9 teams are certified through the North American Police Work Dog Association (NAPWDA). Both K9 teams are certified "dual purpose" to find narcotics (marijuana, cocaine, heroin, and methamphetamine), people (tracking, area searches, and article searches, building searches) and aggression.

Our K9 Unit contributed daily to the patrol operations with locating narcotics and suspects.

Deployments: 276 Bites: 2
 Arrests: 153 Article Found: 1
 Demos: 16 Gun Recovered: 1
 Drug Paraphernalia: 151 items

Drugs Seized:
 2,102.91 g rams – Marijuana
 30.4 grams – Cocaine
 10.68 grams - Methamphetamine

Our K9 unit frequently trains with the MTSO K-9 unit, and occasionally with other K-9 units from police departments across NE Wisconsin. Future K-9 handlers for the Manitowoc Police Department help serve as decoys. Decoys are people who work with working dogs and wear protective suits to take bites from dogs during aggression work. Our decoys for the past year were: Officer Kyle Novack, Officer Cooper Schmidt, Officer Fielder Clark, and Officer Alex Wanish.

Fundraisers included: DINE FORE/4 The K9, MPPA Chase, and Annual Wreath Sale.



Human Trafficking / Prostitution Enforcement 2018



The beginning of this year, the department decided to take a proactive stance in the fight against Human Trafficking and Prostitution Investigations. The local ordinance schedule was updated to reflect surrounding jurisdictions when citations were issued vs. criminal charges. Cooperation with the City Counsel, City Attorney's Office, District Attorney's Office, Department of Human Services, Probation/Parole Office and Encourage/Sexual Assault Resource Center all worked together with this endeavor.

Several undercover sting operations occurred between April and December at numerous residential and hotel locations throughout the city with the owners cooperation, gained by Detective Kowalski. The internet is the underground gateway for the sale of women to the demand the men, or "Johns", purchasing them for sex acts. The following are some statistics from the efforts of officers involved with these investigations. The victims and suspects were not only members of the local community but many from Green Bay, Sheboygan, Appleton and Milwaukee areas. A few were from other states committing these crimes in the City of Manitowoc.

Detective Kowalski completed numerous Public Awareness Presentations with in the City and County of Manitowoc at different venues. The school districts of Manitowoc and Two Rivers specifically welcomed presentation material and discussions with those efforts continuing into 2019 for at risk students. The City of Manitowoc Transit Service Drivers were also taught and provided material to report concerns of Human Trafficking during their In-Service Training. Local trucking businesses were provided education material for their employees as well.

73 Arrests

15 HRV ID – 3 identified were cooperative and accepted services to exit the life.

7 Pimps or those Facilitating Prostitution were identified and arrested.

1,067 Unique Contacts (communications looking to purchase or sell sex).

Several Registered Sex Offenders had responded to the location and were arrested.

Several Drug, Probation, and Outstanding Warrant Arrests also occurred.

Total of \$185,832.00, in fines assessed related to the investigations.

National Human Trafficking
Resource Center (NHTRC)

1-888-3737-888

www.TraffickingResourceCenter.org

Bicycle Patrol ...

The Manitowoc Police Department (MTPD) Bicycle Patrol Unit is composed of 14 officers across the three (3) shifts of patrol. The MTPD has four (4) operational patrol bicycles, one being purchased new this year from the Fitness Store. The officers will all receive annual training on patrol techniques, tactics, and bicycle safety. The use of bicycle patrol results in less wear on squads, less fuel consumption, and a greater focus on community policing. During these warmer months, the officers are able to connect with the community in their normal travels, especially in higher populated areas such as the downtown district and festivals throughout the year. Through stealth and mobility, the Bicycle Patrol Unit has also been utilized in inconspicuously monitoring parks, conducting building checks, and deterring other criminal activity that may not be viable by traditional means of patrol. It has proven to be an asset in traffic enforcement and educating citizens and motorists on traffic laws and regulations. Wisconsin is a state where bicycles are considered vehicles, and they have same rights as motorists.

Members of the Manitowoc Police Department Bicycle Unit are:

Officer Kim Albright

Officer Kyle Novack

Officer Alex Wanish

Officer Fielder Clark

Officer John Musial

Officer Cooper Schmidt

Officer Rebecca Schuettpelz

Officer Alex Nebel

Officer Steve Nolan

Officer John Bennett

Officer Jason Denk

Officer Brett Ver Velde

Officer Michael Laabs

Officer Paul Krock





Comings, Goings, Promotions ...

Comings...


Steve Toltzmann	(Intern)	03-05-18
Austin Schleis	(Officer)	05-13-18
Matt Klein	(Officer)	05-14-18
Megan Sosnosky	(Seasonal)	05-21-18
Stephen Heili	(Intern)	06-05-18
Nathalie Kloiber	(Intern)	06-05-18
Alicia Hansen	(Seasonal)	06-13-18
Sharon Hoppe	(Crossing Guard)	06-28-18
Matthew Eberhardt	(Officer)	08-15-18
Tyler Hill	(Intern)	12-03-18







Officer Peter McGinty
Promoted to
Detective
06-10-18



Det. Andrew Trilling
Promoted to
Crime Prevention Sgt.
06-10-18

Goings...

Intern Jackson Huycke	(Resigned)	01-31-18
Officer Robert Billen	(Resigned)	04-15-18
Intern Austin Schleis	(Resigned)	05-13-18
Intern Derek Hansen	(Resigned)	05-14-18
Intern Matt Klein	(Resigned)	05-14-18
Officer Jeffrey Hylar	(Retirement)	05-12-18
Crime Prev. Sgt. Bruce Jacobs	(Retirement)	06-09-18
Crossing Guard Savannah Mujkanovic	(Resigned)	08-30-18
Officer Matthew Eberhardt	(Resigned)	11-21-18
Intern Steven Toltzmann	(Resigned)	12-06-18



Awards...



Noon Rotary Officer of the Year Officer Peter F. McGinty

We would like to congratulate Officer Peter F. McGinty for being nominated and selected as the Manitowoc Police Department's Noon Rotary Officer of the Year!

Officer McGinty has been with our police department since June 2016 and had been working the midnight shift. In October 2017, he was assigned as an Investigator at Metro Drug. Officer McGinty came to our department with nearly 20 years of law enforcement experience and specialized in investigations and drug related crimes.

In the nomination letter written by his supervisors, Officer McGinty was recognized as a "team" player who is ALWAYS willing to go what it takes to get the job done! Because of his vast experience and pleasant and friendly demeanor his coworkers are more than comfortable approaching him for advice or his opinion on incidents they are handling.

Officer McGinty also took the time to pass on his knowledge to newer officers by mentoring and training them on how to do "proactive policing" including such things as drug intelligence, writing search warrants and the execution of those warrants. This type of leadership was a tremendous asset to the third shift patrol team as well as the Manitowoc Police Department as a whole! We would also like to recognize Lt. Mark Schroeder, Detective Erik Kowalski and Officer John Musial who, based on their excellent performance over the past year, were also nominated for this distinguished award.

Congratulations again to Investigator Peter F. McGinty.



Noon Rotary Citizen of the Year Festival Foods



The Manitowoc Police Department is proud to announce Festival Foods as the Noon Rotary Citizen of the Year because of their dedication to making a positive impact in the communities they serve. Festival Foods has partnered for the last four years with the Manitowoc Police Department in several fundraisers for the K9 Unit and just recently for the Manitowoc Police Department Explorer Unit.

Festival Foods past store manager, John Borski, along with current store manager, Chad Meyer, allowed our organization to raise money and get more exposure of the Manitowoc Police Department K9 Unit and Manitowoc Police Department Explorer Unit to the citizens of Manitowoc. We have been graciously allowed to raise money by grilling for our cause and let the citizens have a chance to know what our K9 Unit or Explorers do on a day to day basis.

In 2015 and again in 2017, Festival Foods offered our department the chance to sell an Icon in their store in order to raise additional monies. These icon sales raised thousands of dollars for the Manitowoc K9 Unit, which we are so grateful for.

Since 2014, Festival Foods has allowed the Manitowoc Police Department to raise nearly \$24,000 from their Plant Blowout Brat Barn, Pumpkin Blowout Brat Bar and Icon sales to the K9 Unit. In addition, our Explorer Unit just recently this past fall, raised a little over \$500 from the Pumpkin Blowout Brat Barn in order for them to attend competitions throughout the state.

To the store leaders and employees we thank you for your support, encouragement and help throughout these fundraisers. The time and effort at these fundraisers was very appreciative and it would not have been so successful without your dedication to our cause. Fundraising endeavors for the K9 Unit continues to cover daily/operating costs of the program, along with training and certifications that are necessary to maintain the effectiveness of the teams.

The Manitowoc Police Department is grateful for the partnership that has been developed and looks forward to continue working with you in the future.



Eagles Club Officer of the Year Officer Cooper Schmidt

The Manitowoc Police Department is pleased to announce that the recipient of the 2018 Eagles Club Officer of the Year Award is Officer Cooper Schmidt. Officer Schmidt has served on the Manitowoc Police Department since October 2016 and has been assigned to second shift patrol. However, before Officer Schmidt was hired by the department as a patrol officer he was already a part of our family. In 2012, he was a member of the Manitowoc Police Department's Citizen's Academy while still attending high school. He interned with our department and volunteered to be "McGruff" for several D.A.R.E. events, parades, Crime Prevention days and National Night Out events. He went on to obtain a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh and successfully completed his recruit academy training at Fox Valley Technical College.

In Officer Schmidt's nomination letters it indicated that even though he has only been with our department a short time, because of his hard work ethic, he has already gained the respect of not only everyone on second shift but the department as a whole. Officer Schmidt is never satisfied with just an eight hour shift...he takes it upon himself to volunteer his time and efforts throughout our community. Officer Schmidt is a kind hearted individual who wants only the best for his community. He is a role model in both the Manitowoc Community and a shining example for other officers on our department.

Officer Schmidt has had an immediate positive impact on many lives within our city. He has either spearheaded or has been involved in numerous programs including such things as "Stuff the Squad" Food Drive, Shop with a Cop, 4K Reading Initiative at the YMCA, Southfield Townhouse Luncheon Program, Citizen's Academy, Explorer's Program, Executive Board member for both the "Hope House" and "Southfield Townhouses", along with assisting with fundraising efforts for the Pinecrest Historical

Village and our own K-9 program. In addition, Officer Schmidt was also able to secure a grant for 20 bicycles which were donated to the Waypost Camp in Hatley, WI which is a camp for children...many of who visit from the Southfield Townhouse Community.

Officer Schmidt has exhibited extraordinary enthusiasm and care for his community and is certainly someone who is doing the right things, the right way, for the right reasons!! Congratulations once again to Officer Cooper Schmidt!!



Employee of the Quarter(s)...

1st Quarter



Officer Hayner and several other second shift officers participated in a “pro-active” enforcement effort on March 26, 2018 reference Human Trafficking in our community. It’s very encouraging to see our officers take advantage of what they learned at our 2018 MTPD In-Service and actually use it out on the streets.

Officers Hayner, Schultz, DeValk, Rocklewitz, and Schuettpelz worked wonderfully together as a EAM to make our department’s first arrest of a prostitute by our patrol division. With-in an hour of performing investigative measures you were able to make contact with the prostitute and take her into custody.

We wanted to take an opportunity to not only thank you for your actions but also let you know how proud of each one of you we are!! This is a perfect example of performing one of our most important Values in our Mission, Excellence, which states “We believe in consistently surpassing ordinary standards in the performance of our duties.”

Because of your actions, not only are the second shift officers but officers throughout the department are excited to become more involved in our Human Trafficking efforts. This is truly an excellent example of “doing the right thing, the right way, for the right reasons!!”

2nd Quarter



On April 23rd, 2018, Officer Pete Dramm started an investigation on his own after observing what he felt were two emaciated dogs in a yard near a location that he was just finishing up on a completely separate incident.

Many times people see things throughout their day that appear out of order, but rather than stop to investigate they go along on their busy way. Anyone who has ever worked with Officer Dramm knows that it not his way. No matter what, he will take the time to do “the right thing, the right way, for the right reason!”

In this particular case he didn't look the other way, but in fact took the time to stop and check on these two dogs. Upon investigating the situation, even though the owner was telling him a whole bunch of different stories, he stood up for what was right and took these two dogs into protective custody. They were transported to Lakeshore Humane Society for further evaluation and care. We later found out, according to Dr. Sutton that if he had not taken the time to seek help for these two dogs that they would in fact have died from their unhealthy condition. The dogs originally weighed in at about half of what they should have weighed and the vet described them as below the lowest standard for malnutrition. After much follow up and checking in on the dogs, Officer Dramm referred criminal charges against the owners for Mistreating Animals in a Cruel Manner, Wis. State Statute 951.02 and Failure to Provide Proper Food and Drink to Confined Animals, Wis. State Statute 951.13(1). With proper care the dogs are now healthy and up to a healthy weight while being taken care of by The Lakeshore Humane Society. Officer Dramm is working with LHS and the owners of the dogs to make sure the dogs find a proper home with owner who can properly care for them.

One of our core values at the Manitowoc Police Department is "Compassion – We treat everyone with dignity and respect regardless of their background or circumstances." This is a perfect example of two animals that had no control over their lives being saved because of Officer Dramm's compassion and selfless actions that he took on that day and the months to follow. We thank him for his service!

3rd Quarter



To say Officer Kyle Novack had a terrific quarter would be an understatement. He received 4 letters of commendation from administration in the 3rd quarter of 2018. Others receiving a commendation in the quarter were Officer Alex Wanish, Detective Erik Kowalski, Officer Fielder Clark, Detective Jerod Lecher, Officer Kim Albright, Officer Kody Wipperfurth, Detective Sergeant Mike Stone, K9 Officer Nick Place, Detective Pete McGinty, and Officer Steve Nolan.

Among those commendations, on July 2nd Officer Novack was assigned to investigate a report of a stolen motorcycle. The victim saw a photo "on-line" of a subject that appeared to be working on a motorcycle that looked like the stolen cycle. We were able to ID that suspect and went to his residence to try and speak with him. Upon arrival Officer Novack observed this motorcycle, in plain view, in the garage area. He had a perimeter set up around the residence while he went back to the PD to write up an affidavit for a possible search warrant. Ultimately the warrant was approved and Officer Novack was able to retrieve the stolen motorcycle. Two days later Officer Novack was finally able to locate the suspect and take him into custody on charges of receiving stolen property and felony possession of THC. It was later determined through further investigation by Det. McGinty that this subject was actually a part of a possible "Chop Shop" in Manitowoc County.

On July 7th Officer Novack (along with Officer Wanish) investigated a hit and run accident. A small amount of blue paint transfer was located on the victim vehicle and a piece of plastic from a headlamp was left at the scene by the suspect vehicle. The part number on the piece of plastic came back to a Chrysler 300C. Officer Wanish recalled observing that vehicle earlier and it was located at 1009 S. 16th St. A full confession was obtained and the case was solved in a very short time.

On July 13th Officer Novack and Officer Wipperfurth responded to a DVO. Upon arrival Officer Novack observed a male and female go and hide in a back bedroom. A witness heard a female screaming earlier and was certain a confrontation had taken place. Prior history showed a previous DVO two weeks earlier. Nobody answered the door. Based on the totality of the circumstances the 2 officers

forced their way into the residence where they found the male subject hovering over the female. The male had struck the female at least 10 times in the face, strangler her and pulled her by the hair to another room. He was taken to jail for DVO Strangulation and Battery.

The way Officer Novack and the other personnel involved in these incidents conducted themselves make them a shining example of everything that we are looking for from our employees. We truly appreciate all of the great work done to help fulfill our mission at the Manitowoc Police Department.

4th Quarter



Officer Schleis became a police officer for MTPD in May of 2018. On October 30th at 0058 hours, Officer Schleis was conducting stationary radar enforcement (speeding) on Memorial Drive near E. Reed Avenue. He pulled out after a violator and activated his emergency lights. Instead of slowing and pulling over, the suspect vehicle continued on its way. He then activated his siren and notified dispatch and other units of what was occurring. The vehicle finally pulled over on Johnston Drive near E. Magnolia Ave. While speaking with the operator he noticed a “slight” odor of marijuana emanating from inside of the vehicle. Rather than just ignoring this “clue” Officer Schleis investigated further with the assistance of K-9 Neko and Neko’s handler Officer Jason Koenig along with Officer Nick Place. K-9 Neko alerted to the presence of drugs in the vehicle.

Together they were able to locate and confiscate over 250 grams of Marijuana product (including buds, dabs, oils and edibles) along with \$3,500.00 in US Currency and a marijuana smoking device.

Because of Officer Schleis’s quick and decisive actions we were able to prevent these products from being distributed throughout our community. He issued the suspect a citation for Operating a Motor Vehicle without Insurance and a written warning for speeding. The suspect was held at the Manitowoc County Jail on charges of Felony Bail Jumping, Possession of THC with Intent to Deliver, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

The Mission of the Manitowoc Police Department states that we are committed to providing excellent police service and an unrelenting pursuit of justice, while maintaining order and securing a safe environment for everyone. The way Officer Schleis conducted himself in this incident certainly shows that he is taking our Mission to heart and performing his duties to the best of his abilities!