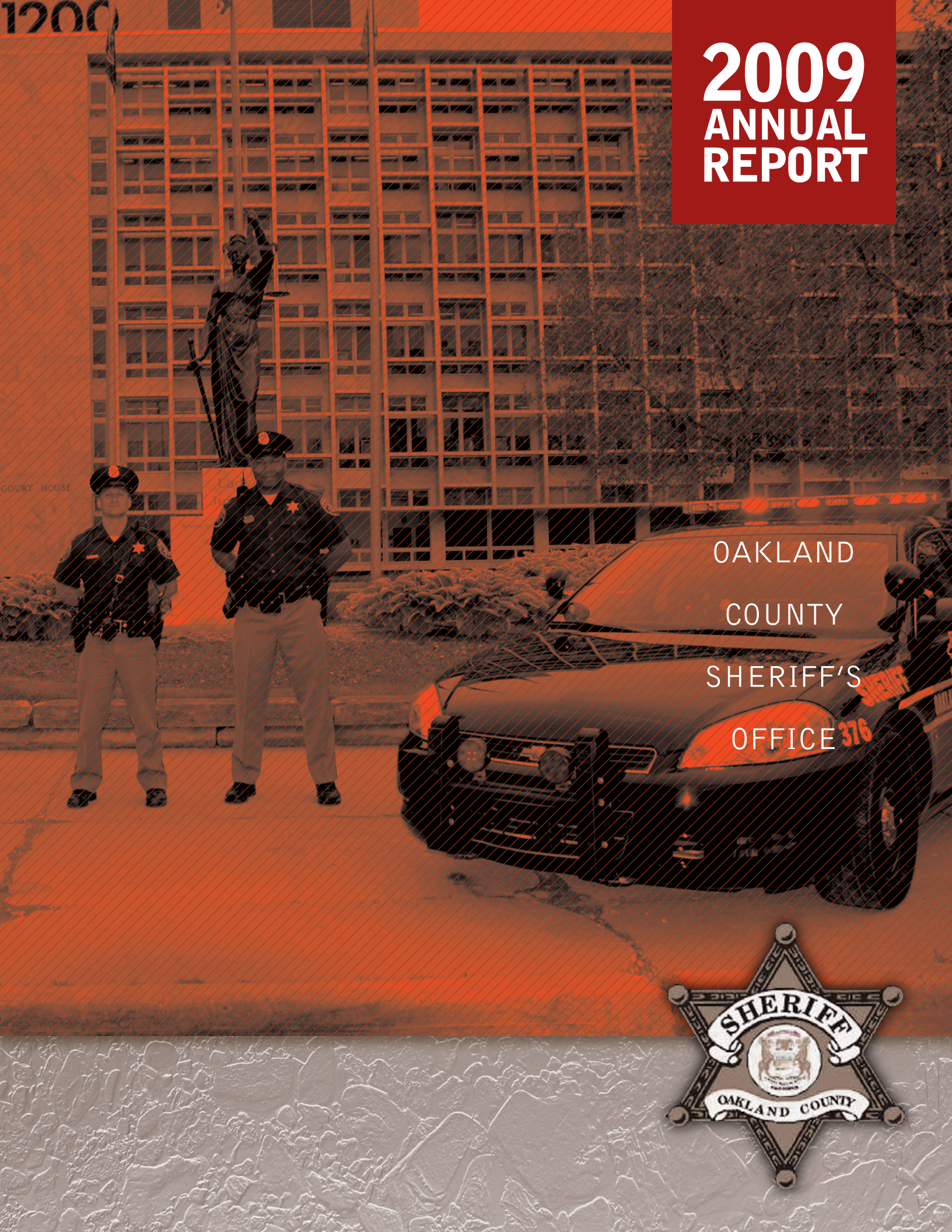


2009 ANNUAL REPORT



OAKLAND
COUNTY
SHERIFF'S
OFFICE





MISSION STATEMENT

The Oakland County
Sheriff's Office is
dedicated to the safety and
protection of the citizens
and businesses within
our boundaries. We are
committed to the task of
keeping our courts and
correctional system safe
and secure and our service
is built upon integrity,
respect, vision, and
leadership.

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MESSAGE

January, 2010

Dear Citizens and Local Leaders:

The continual need to cut dollars from our budget has forced the Oakland County Sheriff's Office to make some very difficult decisions these past couple of years. We have had to close facilities and programs like the Boot Camp – a program so impressive and valuable that hopefully we will one day be able to re-implement it.

When faced with continual cuts down the line, we have had to examine every program, every dime spent, and determine what must stay and where can the dollars be trimmed. In these times, the most critical issue is public safety, so how do we make sure the public is safe? We do this through upholding our core mission; the efficient and secure operations of the Oakland County jail and our court system, and providing critical law enforcement services to the over 1.2 million residents of Oakland County. In addition to providing comprehensive law enforcement services - ranging from a Forensic Science Laboratory to a Computer Crimes Unit to a Jail and Corrections System housing close to 2,000 inmates to a Fire Investigations Unit and more - the Oakland County Sheriff's Office is the sole provider of patrol and law enforcement services for over 275,000 of those residents through law enforcement contracts in 15 different communities.

The professional staff that keeps this Office running smoothly and efficiently impresses me every day. Instituting new ways of operating without having to lay off our employees has been a goal of mine. While we have had to reduce the number of positions and personnel over the past year, we have managed to do this without layoffs. We are keeping our manpower hours in line by implementing new technologies like video visitation and arraignment for our inmate population, and a GPS tether program for our low level offenders. Doing more with less, employing new cost saving technologies are long term solutions for a problem that does not seem to be going away anytime soon.

We as an office were able to introduce a new service to our citizens this year, Operation Medicine Cabinet™ (OMC). With no dollars to launch new programs, we were fortunate to have private and corporate donors willing to underwrite the cost of our outstanding new program which is beneficial to a cross section of our community. Operation Medicine Cabinet™, a new prescription drug take back program, not only helps get prescription drugs out of the hands of unauthorized users, but also helps keep controlled substances out of our water and fish supply. OMC is helping to protect our kids, protect our seniors, and protect our environment.

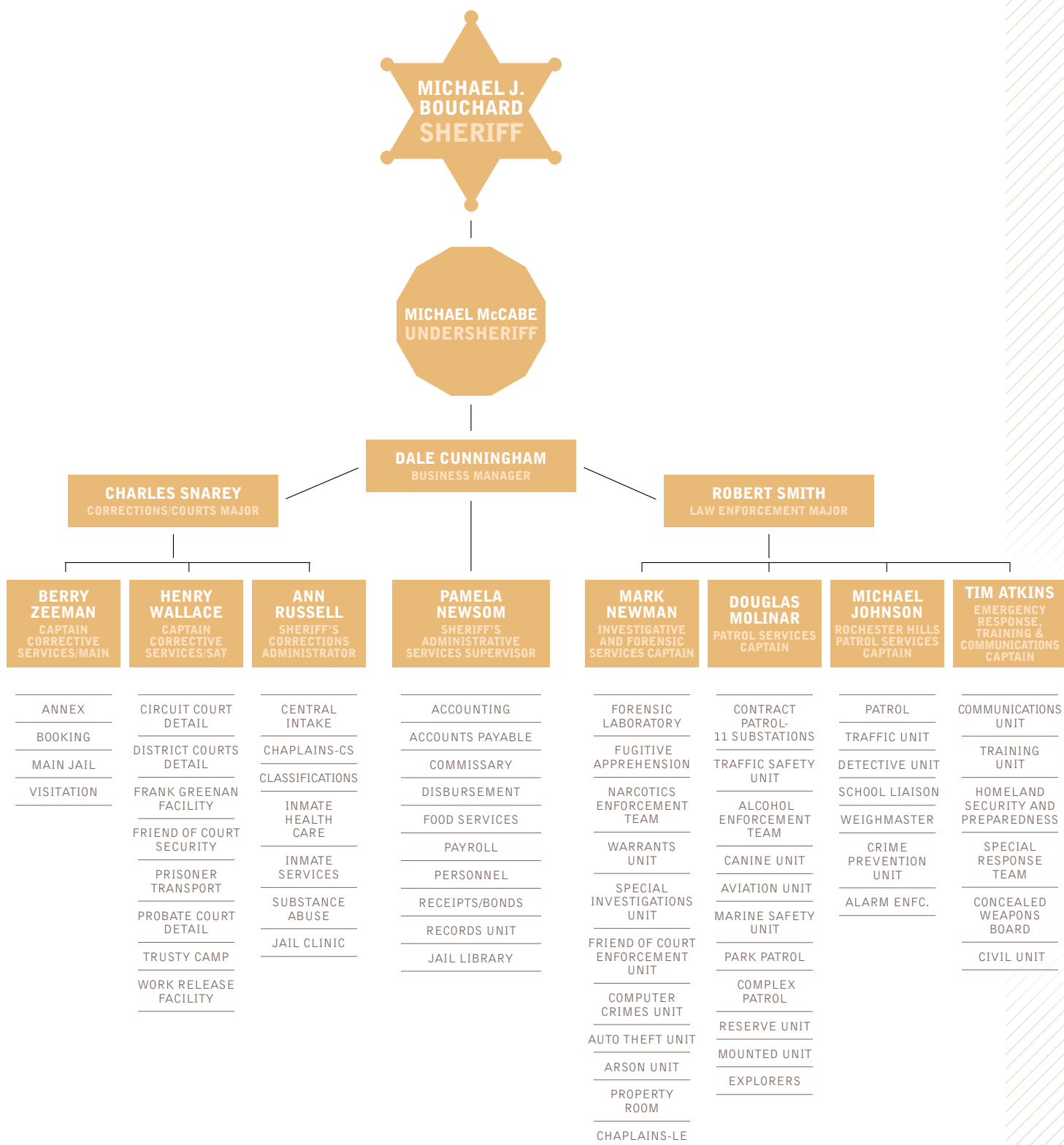
I hope you find this report informative. We at the Sheriff's Office are honored to be able to protect and serve you every day.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Bouchard
OAKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

OAKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE





ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: DALE A. CUNNINGHAM, PH.D.
HUMAN RESOURCES SUPERVISOR: PAMELA NEWSOM

Administrative Services is responsible for managing a budget of \$124 million and conducting all business and human resource functions as well as oversight of the Records Unit. This Division maintains accounting, payroll, uniforms, supplies, benefits, and income account deposits. Income accounts include bonds, fines and costs, and money used for the purchase of commissary items by inmates and for lodging at the Sheriff's Office Work Release Facility.



RECORDS UNIT

The Records Unit is an efficient, customer service-oriented entity that does the processing and retention of all of the OCSO's incident reports, traffic accident reports, tickets, inmate folders and purchase permits. Responsible for the editing, data-entry, retrieval and forwarding of information and statistics from these files, the Records Unit team handles tens of thousands of records while serving the public in a friendly, professional manner. Other functions of the Records Unit include: sex offender registration, gun registration, concealed weapons applicant fingerprinting and background checks, pawn entries, freedom-of-information-requests, inmate identity transfer corrections, non-public records entries and various government agency, law enforcement agency and citizen requests for background checks and incarceration information.

2009 REVENUES

Contract Law Enforcement Services.....	\$30,364,677
Contract Dispatch Services.....	\$473,716
Inmate Board and Care – Main Jail	\$507,188
Work Release Facility	\$1,254,136
OUIL Third and Deferred Offender	\$2,764,903
Reimbursement of Salaries	\$3,569,062

BOND ACCOUNT DEPOSITS

Regular.....	\$1,267,540
Interim.....	\$254,973
Fines & Costs	\$296,079
Bond Fees	\$0
Overages/(Shortages).....	\$0
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$1,818,592

INMATE ACCOUNT DEPOSITS

Booking Receipts.....	\$640,628
Visitation Receipts.....	\$1,670,015
Overages/(Shortages).....	(\$52.55)
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$2,310,591

RECORDS UNIT STATISTICS 2009

Gun Registrations	6,905
Gun Purchase Permits	7,829
C.C.W. Fingerprints.....	11,206
Miscellaneous Prints.....	2,062
Photostats.....	1,088
Sex Offenders.....	1,607
F.O.I.A. Requests	1,067
Subpoena/Discovery Requests	391
License Applications.....	3
Videotape Requests.....	316
Inmate Files Processed	20,918
Traffic Reports Processed.....	6,604
Non-F.O.I.A. Requests Through F.O.I.A. Desk.....	254
Non-Public Records Processed	1,268
Mail Background Checks.....	2,072
Mail Report Requests.....	1,614
Counter Background Checks	792
A.F.I.S. Entries.....	625
Pawn Certificates Issued.....	8
Inmate Files Flipped.....	18



CORRECTIONAL AND COURT SERVICES

COMMANDER: MAJOR CHARLES A. SNAREY
CORRECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR: ANN RUSSELL

The Correctional and Court Services Division of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office is responsible for the operation of the Main Jail and Satellite Services, which includes Satellite Correctional Facilities and Court Services. Corrective Services Main Jail, Annex, and Satellites staff have been faced with several budget challenges requiring drastic measures, including the closure of Satellite facilities, reorganizing manpower, and cutting costs wherever possible. A number of initiatives designed to reduce manpower and procedural costs have been implemented such as video visitation and the work release tether program, which utilize progressive, cutting edge technology to achieve some of the Sheriff's Office budget goals.

CORRECTIVE SERVICES DIVISION: MAIN JAIL/ANNEX

COMMANDER: CAPTAIN BERRY ZEEMAN

The purpose of the Main Jail is the custody and care of inmates, which includes providing clothing and food in a safe and secure environment during their period of pre-trial and sentenced incarceration. Additionally, the inmates receive support in the form of counseling, crisis intervention, adult education, recreation, visitation and chaplain services.

In 2009, the Main Jail and Annex housed, on average, 1184 of the total 1481 inmates in the Oakland County corrections system. These 1184 inmates range from low-level misdemeanor offenders to maximum security inmates charged with serious felonies up to and including 1st degree murder.



CORRECTIVE SERVICES 2009 Points of Interest:

- 21,523 inmate admissions;
- 22,759 inmate releases;
- A video visitation system was utilized which allows scheduling of inmate visits without contact. In 2009, there were 15,484 video visitation sessions conducted;
- A jail GPS tether program was utilized for qualified inmates;
- Aramark prepared 2,157,864 inmate meals;
- 932 inmate disciplinary tickets were issued;
- The Classification Unit interviewed and classified 14,742 inmates;
- The Corrections K-9 Team had 181 calls for service, conducting 169 narcotic searches, and seizing \$2000 in narcotics;
- Jail personnel conducted 40 line-ups, 61 polygraphs, and 155 inmate interviews;
- The Main Jail oversaw 582 hospital watches over the course of 23,946 hours;
- Beginning in October, there were 307 weekend video arraignments conducted;
- A total of 2391 video arraignments were conducted in 2009.



CORRECTIONS PROGRAM SERVICES

CHIEF: MARK METALSKI

COUNSELING UNIT

In 2009, the number of Program Services caseworkers was reduced by two members.

The Counseling Unit received 6,352 referrals for services through a variety of sources. 2,037 were of such serious nature they required an “immediate” response from someone within the unit, representing a 4% increase over 2008 in the number of referrals requiring immediate attention. Of these 2,037 inmates, 547 of them were inmates who were new referrals to the unit.

For 2009, 538 placements were made to K-Block, a block designated for inmates with special needs, either by Corrections or Program Services. A caseworker is assigned to this unit on a rotating basis to perform services and a daily review of inmates housed in the unit as a result of a counselor administrative notice. For those moved out of K-Block, the average length of stay was 8.86 days (minimum = 1 day, maximum = 150 days). This represents a 2% increase in the number of placements, whereas the average length of stay remained fairly constant (2008 Avg LOS = 8.15 days).

POST-BOOK JAIL DIVERSION OF THE MENTALLY ILL

In July 2009, the Sheriff's Office Program Services Unit was the recipient of a \$681,000 Byrne JAG stimulus grant. Grant monies will fund Program Services and Easter Seals staff, for the existing Jail Alliance with Support (JAWS) program through 2012. The program, in conjunction with Easter Seals Collaborative Solutions, provides a treatment readiness curriculum to mentally ill inmates housed within the jail, and then seeks

diversion for these offenders from jail to a treatment provider within the community. Whereas the previous JAWS Program focused on male inmates, the current funding allows for the expansion of the program to the female inmate population. All inmates receive psychiatric medication, specialized treatment in one designated housing area, and a thorough aftercare plan and diversion request sent to the Courts.

In 2009, 165 inmates were placed into the program. Of these, 136 completed the in-jail portion of the program, while 23 were removed from the program due to lack of participation or inappropriate behaviors, and 6 remain active within the program. Graduates of the program receiving a jail diversion resulted in 3,997 jail bed days saved.

CENTRAL INTAKE

Central Intake Screener: During 2009, the Central Intake Screener screened a total of 669 inmates for eligibility for P.A. 511 programs. Additionally, 361 inmates were administered a COMPAS (risk and needs) assessment. The purpose

of the screener is to assist the Probation Department in determining an offender's suitability for sentencing to alternatives other than regular jail confinement.

The Central Intake Screener also seeks to fill vacancies in the Sheriff's Life and Employment Skills (LESP) Program by seeking amended sentences from the Court for eligible inmates. In 2009, the screener reviewed and sent letters to the Court on 109 inmates for approval of participation in LESP. Of these 109: 51 (47%) received approval from the Court, and 41 (38%) were denied participation by the Judge. The remaining 17 inmates had early out dates, were unable to participate in the program, or the Court failed to return the form to the screener.

Booking Coordinating The Release Of Inmates To P.A. 511 Residential Programs Where The Inmate Has A Hold:

Throughout 2009, Booking continued to assist in resolving warrants held by other police agencies for those inmates sentenced to a P.A. 511 residential treatment program. In 2009, through the intervention of Booking on 92





inmates, a total of 8,282 jail days have been saved. These are days that “non-assaultive” inmates would have had to spend in jail if we had not intervened to resolve outstanding holds. The number of jail days saved through inmates being sentenced into alternative programs outside the jail continues to be tracked. For 2009, 306 inmates were released to jail alternative programs, and the number of jail bed days saved was 30,474. This number includes all inmates who were sentenced to treatment or tether as an alternative to incarceration, and includes the previously stated 8,282 days saved through Booking’s intervention.

Sheriff’s Life And Employment Skills (LESP) programs, LESP-M Program, Challenge To Change Program:

In 2009, a total of 8 sessions of LESP were completed. Within these sessions, 271 inmates who completed the program received a 25% sentence reduction. These inmates accounted for a total of 15,097 jail bed days saved.

The LESP-M and Challenge to Change (CTC) Programs, which began in 2007, also continued to operate. In 2009, a total of 12 LESP-M sessions were completed. Within these sessions, 125 inmates completed the

program and received a 25% sentence reduction. These inmates accounted for a total of 3,905 jail days saved.

In 2009, the Challenge to Change (OUIL III) program reviewed 256 inmates for participation as follows: 69 requests were forwarded to the Court for approval to participate in the program; 20 of these requests were approved; 6 were denied. The 161 remaining inmates reviewed did not have requests processed for the following reasons: SGL’s did not fall into required straddle cells; inmate declined to participate; inmate eventually sentenced to MDOC, or did not have enough time left on their sentence to be able to complete the program. 39 inmates completed the 14 meeting curriculum and received a 25% sentence reduction. These accounted for a total of 1,248 jail bed days saved.

JAIL CLASSIFICATION UNIT

In 2009, the Classification Unit classified 14,742 inmates, an average of more than 40 inmates classified per day. Of these, 4,573 (31%) were referred to Inmate Services for counseling. Of the referrals made to Inmate Services, 189 (1.3%) inmates were referred as “immediate” crisis referrals.

ZERO-TOLERANCE PROGRAM (ZTOL)

Despite all staff being re-assigned from the program in 2008, the Zero-Tolerance Program continued to function with 1.5 staff members. These staff members also perform duties within the EMP Tether Program. The program was able to remain active as an alternative program for the courts, and working in concert with staff at Community Corrections STEP Forward Program, continue to enroll new inmates into the program and facilitate jail sanctions.

In 2009, there were 285 new offenders sentenced to the Zero-Tolerance Program and currently 88 offenders are active in the program. There were 330 participants that



had some form of program completion.

Of the 330 participants:

- 208 participants (63%) successfully completed the program. Based on these successful completions a total of 23,456 jail bed days were saved.
- 69 participants (21%) had numerous 'dirty' test results that they were failed from the program.
- 21 participants (6%) were removed from the program for new arrests.
- 28 participants (9%) were terminated from the program for rule violations.
- 4 participants (1%) had their involvement terminated by the Court or Probation.

A total of 192 jail sanctions were imposed:

- 90 received 3 day sanctions
- 72 received 10 day sanctions
- 30 received 30 day sanctions

Program Services also coordinates the activities of community volunteers who provide 12-step recovery groups within the jail. During 2009, a total of 6,161 inmates participated in 12-step meetings.

ELECTRONIC MONITORING PROGRAM (EMP TETHER)

Program Services continued to administer the Sheriff's Electronic Monitoring Program (EMP). Staff determines eligibility for the program, and checks with the courts to ensure they do not object to the inmate's participation in the program. For 2009, 2,452 inmates were screened for the program. Of these 714 were excluded from consideration into the program based on charge eligibility or other factors. 1,738 requests were processed and sent to various Oakland County courts.

Of these 1,738 requests:

- 417 inmates (24%) entered the program and successfully completed their home confinement on tether. These accounted for a total of 14,655 jail bed days saved.
- 800 requests (46%) for inmates to participate in the program were denied by their judge.
- 435 inmates (25%) had requests made to the courts but experienced an emergency early release or a response was never received back from the courts.
- 52 declined (3%) participate in the program as they had no stable residence to be tethered to.
- 34 inmates (2%) were placed onto tether but were terminated from the program due to violating conditions of their home confinement.

SATELLITE AND COURT SERVICES DIVISION

COMMANDER: CAPTAIN HENRY WALLACE

The Satellite Services Division is headed by Captain Henry Wallace, and is comprised of Satellite Correctional Facilities and Court Services.

Satellite Correctional Facilities include the Auburn Hills Campus Frank Greenan Detention Facility and Trusty Camp, as well as the Work Release Facility.

TRUSTY CAMP

In January of 2009, the Trusty Camp inmates, totaling an average of 145 inmates, were moved from the Trusty Camp facility to the Main Jail and the Frank Greenan Detention Facility, and the Trusty facility was closed down. The Trusty Camp, with a total capacity to hold 146 inmates, was comprised of low-level offenders (known as trusties) who served their sentences by giving back to the Oakland County community. Six deputies, including the Work Project Supervisor and the Work Project Coordinator, were transferred to the Frank Greenan Detention Facility, while the remaining ten were reassigned to the Main Jail.

FRANK GREENAN DETENTION FACILITY

The Frank Greenan Detention Facility (FGDF) was opened in 1996 to help relieve the growing issue of jail overcrowding in the Main Jail. It is a medium-security complex, and houses low-risk inmates. With the closing of the Trusty Camp facility, the west dorm of the FGDF became housing for 94 trusty inmates, who currently participate in daily community service and other work details in the Oakland County facilities and county parks. The FGDF includes a commercial size laundry facility which is staffed seven days a week by trusties from the west dorm, who are supervised by a Sheriff's Office Work Project Coordinator. The Work Project Coordinator makes daily trips to and from the Main Jail, Children's Village, and the Work Release facility to pick-up and drop-off inmate clothing and bedding.

West dorm trusties perform daily work details at various Oakland County facilities and provide assistance during a number of community service activities, as well as assist with the Sheriff's Re-CYCLE for Kids program. In 2009, FGDF inmates performed a total of 112,279 hours of service.

WORK RELEASE

The Work Release Facility houses three different classifications of inmates: workers, who are allowed by a judge to continue to work while they serve out their sentences and pay their room and board weekly; trusties, who must maintain a constant high level of cleanliness throughout the entire facility, as well as work on meal preparation, laundry duties, and work at the Central Garage; and temporarily housed inmates, which are inmates who do not go to work as a trusty and do not meet the requirements for the Work Release program. The Work Release Facility houses a maximum of 398 inmates, 266 males and 132 females.

The temporarily housed inmates and trusties housed at Work Release cannot have an extensive history of disruptive behavior or require extensive medical needs. Inmates at the facility are charged room and board depending on their level of income and their classification. Trusties are not charged the sixty dollars a day fee, providing they

maintain their trusty status.

Revenue deposits for the Work Release Facility this year totaled \$1,002,167.05. Out of that total, \$14,524 was collected for the Reimbursement Division as a courtesy from the Office of the Sheriff and on occasion when ordered by the courts. Leaving a balance of \$987,643.05 collected and deposited for the Office of the Sheriff. These funds include room and board, laundry and miscellaneous reimbursements (medical / dental or commissary fees). This is a decrease of \$122,516.18 from 2008.

COURT SERVICES

This Division is responsible for courthouse security within and prisoner transport to and from Oakland County 6th Circuit Court, and the 43rd (Hazel Park and Madison Heights), 47th, 48th, 52-1st, 52-2nd, 52-3rd, 52-4th District Courts. This includes security for all circuit and district courtrooms and judges' chambers as well as the offices of Prosecutor, Treasurer, County Clerk, Friend of the Court, Probate, Reimbursement, and the County Commissioners' offices and auditorium. The continued development of the video arraignment system has begun to help relieve some manpower and equipment expenditures related to prisoner transport. In October 2009, the Court Services Complex Patrol Unit was transferred to the Patrol Division, which provides policing for all county campus areas.

The Court Services Unit:

- performed 1,861,351 security entrance clearances, and checked in 7,909 armed officers entering the courts.
- prevented the entry of 463 edged weapons into court facilities.
- provided security and bailiff services at 124 murder trials, 30 assault trials, 97 criminal sexual conduct trials, 18 robbery trials, 15 controlled substance trials, and 21 miscellaneous trials.



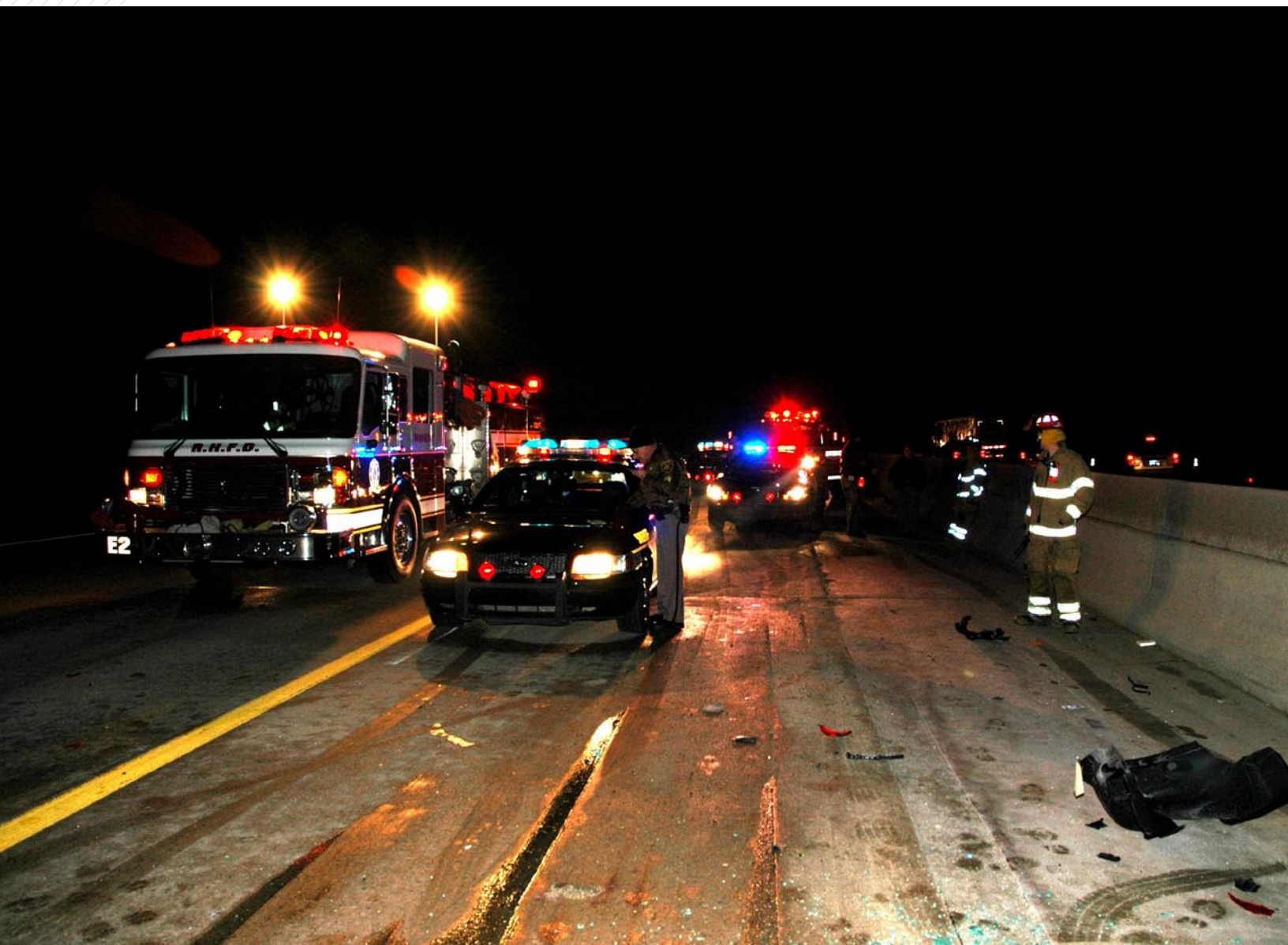
- processed 10,478 inmates at 6th Circuit Court.
- transported 3,036 prisoners to and from 116 non-local facilities.
- picked up over 17,370 prisoners from and delivered over 10,517 prisoners to local police and court facilities.
- transported 774 inmates to health/medical care facilities.
- fulfilled 31 requests for special details.
- assisted HBO Film Corporation, under paid contract, with the filming of "You Don't Know Jack," on courthouse grounds, which required intense coordination, security, and the shutdown of the south lobby/entrance of the courthouse.

The Court Services Unit, like all other entities within the Sheriff's Office, has had to closely examine ways to cut costs, therefore several hours were eliminated and positions were restructured and assigned. The Court Services Unit continues to maintain a very high performance standard and is comprised of a remarkable team of professionals.

LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

COMMANDER: MAJOR ROBERT SMITH

The Law Enforcement Services Division is commanded by Major Robert Smith, and is comprised of a number of Divisions, all providing law enforcement services to citizens throughout Oakland County. Those divisions include: Patrol Services, Investigative and Forensic Services, and the Sheriff's Emergency Response, Training and Communications Division.



PATROL DIVISION

COMMANDER:
CAPTAIN DOUG MOLINAR

The Oakland County Sheriff's Patrol Division is comprised of two operational components, Contract Patrol Services and Countywide Patrol Services.

CONTRACT PATROL SERVICES

Contract Patrol Services consists of eleven townships, two villages, and one city that are provided primary police services under a full cost recovery with county government. Each community selects the level of police service they determine appropriate and the Sheriff provides that customized policing service. The fourteen contracts vary in range from four deputies to sixty deputies with civilian support staff. Each contingent is based at a substation within that community. In many communities, police services are comprehensive, providing a full spectrum of services. Some examples include general uniform patrol, traffic enforcement patrol, investigative follow up, school liaison officers, community crime prevention officers, and locally based OCSO Command Officers. These Command Officers provide the daily managerial oversight for law enforcement operation and serve as a liaison between the Sheriff and local officials.

The following Oakland County municipalities contract for police services:

- Addison Township
- Charter Township of Brandon
- Charter Township of Commerce
- Charter Township of Highland
- Charter Township of Independence
- Charter Township of Lyon
- Charter Township of Oakland
- Charter Township of Orion
- Charter Township of Oxford
- Charter Township of Royal Oak
- Charter Township of Springfield
- City of Rochester Hills
- Village of Leonard
- Village of Ortonville

These areas have a combined population of 275,000 people, which is 23% of the entire county population.

ROCHESTER HILLS DIVISION

COMMANDER: CAPTAIN MICHAEL JOHNSON

The Rochester Hills Substation is a stand alone division from the Patrol Services Division. This is due to the number of Deputies (60 contracted positions) assigned, the population of the city (70,000 square miles), and the structure of the substation.

The staffing and daily operations of this substation are similar to many full service police departments in larger Michigan communities.

A Captain is assigned as the station commander. One Patrol Lieutenant and one Detective Lieutenant assist in managing six Patrol Sergeants, one Detective Sergeant, three School Liaison Officers, one Alarm Compliance Officer, one Crime Prevention Officer, seven Patrol Investigators, one NET officer and thirty-six Uniform Patrol First Response Deputies assigned to four shifts. Several proactive community outreach programs are in place at the substation.

In 2009, the Rochester Hills Division responded to over 27,352 calls for police services. 720 of these resulted in criminal investigations that were assigned to a case detective.

Significant accomplishments for 2009 included efforts to provide selective traffic enforcement in the neighborhoods and at the request of the residents. These selective enforcement requests are in addition to the calls for service numbers stated above. During 2009, the substation received 635 requests and provided 296.25 hours of selective enforcement. Deputies wrote 134 moving violations and 50 non-moving violations as a direct result of these requests. A Smart Cart with computer was used extensively in conjunction with selective enforcement. The computer program affords traffic enforcement deputies the ability to track the times when speeding is occurring on any given road, as well as the total number and average speed of the vehicles.

In 2009, the Rochester Community School District eliminated a Detective/Sergeant position from the School Liaison Program, however in order to maintain the current number of contracted positions, City of Rochester Hills Administration and City Council committed a Deputy to the Narcotics Enforcement Team to focus on identifying and eliminating drug activity in the Rochester Hills area.

As a result of a new city ordinance regulating false alarms, there were reductions of false alarms in 2009. 2007, 2,898 false alarms were responded to, in 2008 the number dropped to 2,603, and in 2009, false alarm responses were down to 2,176. In 2009, faulty alarm users were billed \$97,295.00, off setting the cost to respond to the police budget.

PARKS UNIT

The Parks Unit provides contractual law enforcement services to: Addison Oaks, Groveland Oaks, Independence Oaks, Red Oaks, Lyon Oaks, Orion Oaks, Rose Oaks, Waterford Oaks, Catalpa Oaks and Highland Oaks county parks.

The Park Deputies provide both a visible patrol force and supervise work details of prisoner trustees who help keep our parks clean and well maintained. Deputies provide a number of police services including: citizen assists, traffic enforcement, and responding to dispatched calls for police services within the parks.

The Mountain Bike Patrol is used in a wide variety of police missions within the parks. They are used for routine patrol, community and public relations, searching for lost children and other related missions. The Mountain Bike Patrol has proven to be a valuable asset at major public events in Oakland County such as the Woodward Dream Cruise.

PARKS UNIT STATISTICS 2009

Deputy Hours Worked	15,870
Trusty Work Detail Hours	6,358
Park Patrol Hours	8,362
Bike Patrol Hours	220
Arrests	17
Citations	543

Contract police services were also provided for special public events in various Oakland County communities including: the Renaissance Festival in Holly Township, the DTE Energy Music Theater in Independence Township, the Meadowbrook Music Festival in Rochester Hills, the Arts Eats and Beats Festival in Pontiac, the Red Wings Championship in Royal Oak, and the Woodward Dream Cruise.

In some instances, OCSO receives grants or enters into unique contracts for very specific law enforcement needs and operations. One example in 2009 is a contract with the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency (OLHSA) to

assist with the Michigan Prisoner Re-entry Initiative (MPRI). Deputies assisted Parole Agents in conducting “spot checks” to verify offenders’ compliance with all parole directives. The funding for this initiative was provided by the State of Michigan to the Oakland County Sheriff’s Office. The Oakland County Sheriff’s Office worked 198.5 hours from February 27, 2009, through September 9, 2009, for this detail. Eight (8) details were conducted in eleven (11) different communities within Oakland County.

During the details, 131 parolee residences were visited. As a result of the unannounced visits, six (6) arrests were made, 61 parole violations were issued, 3 imitation guns and 13 knives were confiscated, pornographic material, and an assortment of illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia were seized.

COUNTYWIDE PATROL SERVICES

The second operational component of the Patrol Services Division is comprised of a variety of countywide uniform patrol sections and specialty units. These sections include: Traffic Safety and Enforcement Section, Marine Section, Aviation Unit, Canine Unit, Mounted Unit, Explorer Unit, and Reserve Unit.

TRAFFIC SAFETY AND ENFORCEMENT SECTION

The Traffic Safety and Enforcement Section is comprised of five units, including: the Secondary Road Patrol (416) Unit, the Alcohol Enforcement (AE) Unit, the Motorcycle and Traffic Enforcement Unit, the Vehicle Crash Reconstruction Unit, and the Fleet Management Unit.

416 TRAFFIC UNIT

The 416 Traffic Unit is a state-funded program designed to provide traffic enforcement on secondary road patrols within Oakland County. The 416 Traffic Unit is available, upon request, to any police agency in Oakland County for any

traffic-related assistance and enforcement.

This group of highly-trained deputies is a mobile strike force that can respond to serious multiple car crashes or police emergencies anywhere in the county. Through daily directed patrols, the 416 Traffic Unit has helped to make our secondary roads safer for the citizens of Oakland County.

ALCOHOL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

The Alcohol Enforcement Unit is a county-funded unit dedicated to the task of keeping drunk drivers off the roadways. In 2009, the team arrested 426 drunk drivers and had an impressive conviction rate of 99.5 percent. Since the inception of the unit in 1980, the Alcohol Enforcement Unit has arrested 12,923 drunk drivers. The Alcohol Enforcement Unit provides back-up to patrol officers in the county and manpower for various community events including: Rochester Hills Fireworks Display, Southfield Fireworks Display, Oak Park Fireworks Display, and Woodward Dream Cruise.

Another important responsibility of the Alcohol Enforcement Unit is to educate the students of Oakland County about the hazards of underage drinking and driving. Over the years, they have accomplished this task through the S.C.O.P.E. program (Stop Drinking, Consider the Consequences, Observe Yourself, Protect Society, Educate Others). The program is designed to provide alcohol education training to high school students throughout Oakland County. In 2009, more than 3,600 students received S.C.O.P.E. training during the school year from our highly-dedicated deputies. Due to budget reductions, both the SCOPE program and the Sergeant's position within the Unit were eliminated in October 2009.

ALCOHOL ENFORCEMENT TEAM 2009

OWI Arrests	426
Citations	1,024
SCOPE-Students Trained	3,600

MOTORCYCLE TRAFFIC UNIT

The Motorcycle Traffic Unit was re-established in 1999 by Sheriff Bouchard and has proven to be a valuable asset to both law enforcement and community relations. Because the Motorcycle Traffic Unit has proven to be such a valuable tool, the unit was increased from 12 motorcycles in 1999, to its current fleet of 24 motorcycles. The Oakland County Sheriff's Office Motorcycle Traffic Unit is one of the largest motorcycle units in the State of Michigan.



The thirty deputies assigned to the Motorcycle Traffic Unit must complete a rigorous 80 hour training course. A three day recertification course is then required at the beginning of each new riding season. The police motorcycle provides deputies with a valuable law enforcement tool that can be used in a wide variety of police missions, and is an excellent public relations tool.

CRASH RECONSTRUCTION UNIT

The Crash Reconstruction Unit is an integral part of the Traffic Unit. The unit consists of one sergeant and five deputies.



They respond on a 24/7 basis to serious injury and fatal vehicle crashes for our agency and for any other police agency needing our assistance. Due to budget constraints, the county-funded Crash Reconstructionist position was eliminated from the unit.

AVIATION UNIT

The Aviation Unit provides aerial patrol and emergency response to every municipality and police agency in Oakland and surrounding counties. The Aviation Unit is available to all Oakland County police agencies 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The entire Aviation Unit, including the aircraft and pilots, is fully funded thanks to an innovative plan that privatized the food services for jail inmates saving \$1.6 million dollars a year. This annual savings results in no new or additional costs to Oakland County taxpayers for the operation of the Aviation Unit.

Currently, the Aviation Unit operates two state of the art helicopters. Both aircraft are equipped with highly sophisticated avionics, electronics, and camera equipment. Although one aircraft

is functionally parked/stored due to budget reductions, this aircraft remains capable of flying should the need arise.

Through Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant funds, the Aviation Unit procured a new Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) camera system, which replaces the current FLIR unit with an exceptionally improved version. It is hoped that UASI grant funding for 2010 will provide additional equipment.

The aircraft and their equipment are a “force multiplier” for law enforcement. The primary function continues to be that of support for ground units. The FLIR system(s), Night Sun search light, Broadcast Microwave down link, and the ability to communicate with every agency (both LE and FD) in the county serve as testimony to the tremendous asset the Unit provides. The mapping system is also capable of producing specific parcel data which makes property lines visible thereby making air to ground coordination much easier. The response time to calls has been reduced considerably because of this advanced technology.

In 2009, the Aviation Unit assisted federal, state, county, and local police agencies with a variety of police-related missions. Missions included working with the Michigan State Police and DEA with drug interdiction and assisting the FBI with Homeland Security.

The Aviation Unit also assisted local police agencies with directed patrols on a regular basis. In addition, traffic/crowd control support was provided to local police agencies during the 2009 Woodward Dream Cruise, where over 1.5 million people were in attendance. The Aviation Unit assisted in the search of missing juveniles, lost persons, and Alzheimer patients. Searches were also conducted for suspects wanted for rape, robbery, and other felony and misdemeanor crimes.

Homeland Security continues to be a concern for people living and working in our county. Oakland

County has many high-risk target areas requiring consideration. The Aviation Unit continues its dedicated pursuit to safeguard persons and property within Oakland County.

2009 AVIATION UNIT

Flight Hours.....	612.2
Calls for Service.....	705
Arrest Assists	33

MARINE SECTION

Another section of the Countywide Patrol Services is the Marine Safety and Enforcement Section. This section is comprised of three different units:

Water Patrol Enforcement Unit: The Sheriff's Office is charged with assisting the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in patrolling and enforcing Public Act 451 (the Marine Safety Act) on all waterways within the county. After October 1, 2009, staffing was reduced to one full-time sergeant, one office assistant, and ten part-time deputies. An effort to utilize deputies on a contractual basis on the larger lakes was also undertaken in 2009.

The Water Patrol Enforcement Unit is prepared for a 24/7, ready response to any of the 450 plus lakes that cover seventy square miles in the county. Twenty-seven patrol boats, two rapid response jump boats, two personal watercraft, one hovercraft, four all-terrain vehicles, and four snowmobiles are maintained.

Underwater Dive Rescue and Recovery

Unit: The Marine Section maintains a twelve-member, specially-trained, dive and emergency rescue unit. The unit is equipped with the latest advanced technology and equipment. They are ready to respond for any underwater operation in virtually any weather or water conditions on a moment's notice. During the fifty year history of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit, thousands of marine/water

emergencies have been responded to. In 1994, a cold water rescue in which the victim was underwater for twenty-nine minutes was successfully completed. Upon recovery and resuscitation, that person made a full recovery.

Water Safety Education Unit: Oakland County has more registered boats and handles more watercraft accidents than any other county in the State. In response to that challenge, as well as budget constraints, water safety education continued.



2009 MARINE SAFETY UNIT

Boater Safety Students Certified	5,577
Hours of Lake Patrol.....	9,777
Marine Citations.....	440
Search and Rescue Hours	98
Drownings.....	5
Fatal Boat Accidents.....	0
Injury Boat Accidents	4
Property Damage Boat Accidents.....	15
Snowmobile Safety Students Certified ...	48
Snowmobile/ORV Patrol Hours.....	275
Hunter Safety Students Certified	405



CANINE UNIT

In 2009, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office K-9 Unit consisted of fifteen dogs, with capabilities that include bomb detection, narcotic detection and tracking. Total calls for service increased and over a million dollars in drug monies were forfeited. The K-9 Unit performed over thirty school searches for drugs throughout the Oakland County School District at the request of police chiefs, school liaison officers, and school superintendents. In addition, sweeps were conducted in the Corrective Services Division, to ensure that their facilities were drug free. The K-9 Unit also assisted NET, DEA, and SONIC on drug busts throughout the tri-county area.

In October, the entire K-9 Unit spent a week in training with the International Police Work Dog Association national workshop. The K-9 Unit, once again, was certified and earned the respect of all officers attending due to its commitment and maturity as a unit.

On December 14, 2009, Deputy Kangas lost his K-9 partner Blaze to cancer. The Sheriff's Office authorized a new K-9 for Deputy Kangas. Currently, his new K-9 partner, Seger, is in arson detection training.

2009 CANINE UNIT STATISTICS

Calls for Service.....	1,674
Assists to other Police Agencies.....	439
Searches.....	1,410
Tracks.....	183
Jail Searches	223
K-9 Demos.....	82
Cash Seized.....	\$1,342,002
Vehicle Seized.....	24
Drugs Seized.....	158 lbs marijuana
	- 200 grams cocaine
	- 22 Kilos cocaine
	- 190 bundles heroin
	- 1,906 ecstasy Pills

MOUNTED UNIT

The Mounted Unit currently has nineteen part-time employees assigned



to it. Mounted Unit Deputies provide their own horses and donate countless hours of personal time to this highly-professional unit.

The Mounted Unit deputies are contracted to patrol our county parks and work other special events such as: the Rochester Hills, Clawson and Oak Park Fireworks, the Woodward Dream Cruise, the Paint Creek Trail, Quake on the Lake, and Detroit Thanksgiving Day Parade. The Mounted patrols can respond to police calls for assistance quickly and get to areas that police vehicles can not.

Each Mounted Unit deputy must complete a strenuous Mounted Unit police training course. Once the Mounted Unit deputy has completed basic mounted unit police training, their training continues on a regular basis. The deputy/horse teams must meet basic equestrian requirements and then progress to advanced law enforcement training. The advanced law enforcement training includes crowd control and working in a variety of environments and police situations.

2009 Mounted Unit hours worked 1,779

EXPLORER UNIT

The Sheriff's Office is the sponsor of Explorer Post #649. The Explorer Post is comprised of young adults from ages 16 to 20 who are interested in a career in law enforcement. This program is designed to introduce Explorers to the various components of law enforcement and correctional responsibilities including: basic firearm safety and marine safety.

During the past year, our Explorers were involved in a variety of community events including: parades, child safety fingerprinting and public safety awareness events throughout Oakland County.

2009 EXPLORER HOURS STATISTICS

Active Explorers..... 15
Special Events Worked 35
Hours donated working the events..... 475



RESERVE UNIT

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office Reserve Unit is made up of 93 active Reserves. It is a community-based cadre of uniformed, trained volunteers. Qualified citizens attend a Reserve Officers Training Academy and upon graduation, join our deputies on patrol or are assigned to other law enforcement duties. The Reserve Deputies worked several special events in Oakland County including community parades, the Woodward Dream Cruise, Southfield, Oak Park and Rochester Hills Fireworks, North American International Auto Show, Detroit Boat Show, Special Olympics Superstars Competition, Novi Center Fishing and Boat Show, High School Football games, Basketball games, Rochester Hills Christmas Parade, DTE Music Theatre, Meadowbrook Theatre, Memorial and Labor Day Parades, Christmas Shop with a Cop, Brookside Way Marathon, Camp Dearborn Summer Dances, Coats for the Cold, and the 4-H Fair. Reserve Deputies have volunteered over 22,655 hours of their time to assist the Sheriff's Office on a variety of details throughout the year 2009.

2009 RESERVE UNIT HOURS SERVED

Patrol..... 11,090.6
Administrative 2,144
Training 3,737.5
Total Hours Worked 22,655
Special Details & Events..... 5,683.0

Reserve Deputies have volunteered over 22,655 hours of their time to assist the Sheriff's Office on a variety of details throughout the year 2009.

INVESTIGATIVE AND FORENSIC SERVICES DIVISION

COMMANDER: CAPTAIN MARK NEWMAN

The Investigative and Forensic Services Division is a support division of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office, comprised of multiple units that focus on specific areas of expertise. These highly-trained personnel employ a unique and sophisticated approach, as they are equipped to aid law enforcement at the County, State, and Federal levels in solving various types of crimes. Each unit focuses on their specialty, but in some instances are cross-trained in order to assist one another and other divisions of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office. They conduct field investigations focused on such specialized areas as Fire Investigation, Crime Scene Analysis, Narcotics Enforcement, Auto Theft, Major Crime Investigations, Computer Crimes Investigations, and Fugitive and Absconder Apprehension. The Division also includes the Forensic Science Laboratory (Crime Lab), Property Room, Warrants Unit, and Crime Suppression Task Force.

FORENSIC SCIENCE LABORATORY

The Sheriff's Laboratory works closely with local law enforcement and criminal justice agencies to meet their requirements for forensic testing services. To achieve customer expectations laboratory chemists use sophisticated instrumentation to test prescription drugs and to identify illegal substances. Latent Print Examiners use an ultra high speed computer system to search and ultimately identify subject's prints with unsolved crimes. A variety of processing techniques are employed to recover latent prints as evidence from crime scenes for identification. Firearms Examiners also use a computer system to search recorded images of evidence bullets and cartridge cases against tests from firearms. Firearms Examiners also identify tool marks, determine firearms distance-of-fire and restore eradicated serial numbers. A Forensic Artist provides composite and age progression drawings along with cranial-facial reconstructions. Laboratory specialty teams routinely process and reconstruct crime scenes and also provide comprehensive crime scene training programs.

In an effort to advance laboratory forensic testing services, the laboratory added a toxicology section that provides urine drug testing for the Sheriff's RESULTS Program. Over 25,000 samples are tested for five classes of drugs annually.

To indemnify the laboratory's mission, provide the highest quality of forensic testing services to its customers, the laboratory applied for international accreditation with ASCLD/LAB (American Society of Crime Lab Directors/Laboratory Accreditation Board). In 2010, ASCLD/LAB will conduct an on-site assessment of the Sheriff's Laboratory to verify compliance with ISO 17025:2005 and ASCLD/LAB-International® accreditation requirements.

FORENSIC SCIENCE LABORATORY TESTING TOTALS

CHEMISTRY, LATENT PRINTS, FIREARMS,
CRIME SCENES, FORENSIC ART

Total Crime Scene Independent Investigations.....	221
Total Assists to Outside Agencies	2,775
Total Cases.....	3,552
Total Examinations	11,123
Total Identifications	3,588

ALL UNITS – INCLUDING URINE TOXICOLOGY

Total Crime Scene Independent Investigations	221
Total Assists to Outside Agencies	18,232
Total Cases	19,009
Total Examinations	26,580
Total Identifications	19,045

FIRE INVESTIGATION UNIT

The Fire Investigation Unit is recognized as one of the best in the United States. For the calendar year 2009, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Fire Investigation Unit, consisting of four (4) Investigators, assisted more than thirty-four Oakland County Law Enforcement and Fire Service Agencies, along with one agency outside the county. The total number of Fire Investigations conducted throughout the year was 191. Four fatal fire investigations with six fatalities were conducted. The unit investigated fires that resulted in \$42,142,550 of property loss in the 2009 calendar year. During 2009, the Fire Investigations Unit made a total of 38 arrests, including 16 successful convictions.

2009 was the third full year that the Fire Investigation Unit had access to a K-9 Unit Accelerant Detection dog which is one of only five in the entire state. This K-9 has gone through extensive training to point out the exact location where accelerants were used in the setting a fire. Not only can the accelerant dog be helpful with the origin at the scene, but he can also identify and track residue on preparational materials used to start the fire and also on the suspects themselves. Unfortunately in late 2009, we lost our K-9 Blaze to cancer, but before he passed away he had been called upon to assist with 47 arson investigations and contributed to four arrests. Blaze had also been called out to assist 37 other departments with arson detection. Blaze will truly be missed as a valuable tool that was utilized by the Oakland County Fire Investigation's Unit.



**The Sheriff's
Auto Theft
Unit was
awarded the
Outstanding
Investigator
award by
HEAT in 2009.**

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office Fire Investigation Unit continues to provide professional and expert services to both contracted and non-contracted areas, related to both DETECTION and PROSECUTION of arson offenses that occur in Oakland County.

**FIRE INVESTIGATION
REPORTS 2009**

Accidental.....	57
Arson	76
Undetermined	58
TOTAL FIRES INVESTIGATED	191

COMPUTER CRIMES UNIT

The Computer Crimes Unit consists of a Detective Sergeant and two forensic examiners. They are responsible for a large number of forensic examinations and the immense amount of data included in these cases as well.

The Computer Crimes Unit assists agencies throughout the state in investigating crimes ranging from child exploitation to homicide by forensically examining digital evidence. The Unit also takes a proactive approach on the Internet by means of posing as children to identify, arrest and put child predators in prison. This unit has been working with the Federal Government in joint cases.

The Computer Crimes Unit instructed the District Court section of the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office in the process involved in investigating computer crimes. The tutorial had a strong emphasis on search warrants and how the Sheriff's Office can and does work as a liaison to other departments.

The unit also provides Internet safety seminars to children, along with concerned parents and teachers on a monthly basis. These presentations not only educate citizens on the dangers and risks of children accessing the Internet, but also instruct on ways in which they can protect themselves and those they care about.

COMPUTER CRIMES UNIT

ACTIVITY 2009

Forensic Examinations.....	37
Media Analyzed	184
Amount of Data Analyzed	11+ TB
Search Warrant/O.C.S.O. Cases	31
Search Warrant/Agency Assists	134
Arrest Warrants	34
Internet Safety Presentations	19

AUTO THEFT UNIT

The Auto Theft Unit is a multi-jurisdictional task force with the Sheriff's Office acting as the project director. The twelve member team is comprised of officers from Wayne County Sheriff, Hazel Park, Waterford, Pontiac, and Farmington Hills, as well as the Sheriff's Office. Funding for this unit is provided in part, by a grant from the Auto Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA). Each individual department makes up the balance. The Sheriff's Office acts as the project director by providing a Captain, Lieutenant, and Sergeant. In 2009, the unit started 553 new investigations that resulted in 268 arrests with 212 warrants obtained. The unit made 344 recoveries of stolen cars, parts, and other equipment with a total value of \$3,207,265.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office Auto Theft Unit also specializes in investigating all auto theft related crimes. While the theft of vehicles has gone down, false reports of vehicle theft and other fraudulent crimes have dramatically increased. 2009 saw another drop in the counties auto theft rate. Since the unit began in 1986, the auto theft rate has dropped 66%. The Sheriff's Auto Theft Unit was also awarded the Outstanding Investigator award by HEAT (Help Eliminate Auto Theft) in 2009.

AUTO THEFT UNIT ACTIVITY

Recovered Stolen Vehicle	344
Recovered Value.....	\$3,207,265
Number of Cases.....	553
Warrants Obtained.....	212
Total Arrests – Persons	268

FUGITIVE APPREHENSION TEAM (F.A.T.)

The primary function of this unit is to target and apprehend wanted fugitives and career criminals who are wanted on a warrant for trial. Violent individuals are given priority and are regularly targeted for arrest. F.A.T. manages the 24-hour Crime Tip Line, 1-888-TURN-1-IN, for citizens to provide anonymous information on crimes and fugitives. Because of their professionalism and success, this unit of specially-trained professionals also assists other units within the department and other law enforcement agencies in criminal investigations. The Fugitive Apprehension Team took several major criminals off the streets for crimes such as Murder, Armed Robbery, Home Invasion, and Criminal Sexual Conduct.

A member of the Fugitive Apprehension Team has been assigned to the U.S. Marshals Service Fugitive Task Force since October 2007. The resources of the U.S. Marshals Services are available to the Fugitive Apprehension Team for tracking fugitives throughout the country because of this partnership. These resources have been used with great success on many serious cases. In August of 2009, the Fugitive Team tracked and found Joel King in Palmer, Alaska where he was working as a lineman in the bush. King was wanted for Criminal Sexual Conduct on a child under 13 years of age.

FUGITIVE APPREHENSION TEAM STATISTICS 2009

TOTAL Number of Complaints Open	507
TOTAL Number of Complaints Closed/ No Arrest	109
Fugitive Arrests	45
Fugitive Counts	61
Assist Other Agencies Arrests	300
Assist Other Agencies Counts	340
Background Investigations	17
TOTAL Extraditions Performed	26
TOTAL Extraditions Denied	60
TOTAL Arrests	345
TOTAL Counts	401

CRIME SUPPRESSION TASK FORCE

The Crime Suppression Task Force was funded through a Federal COPS grant and became operational January 1, 1997. The agencies committed to this task force are the Madison Heights Police Department, Ferndale Police Department, Oakland County Sheriff's Office, and Royal Oak Police Department. The stated mission of the task force is to improve the quality of life in the neighborhoods. The goal is to provide communities with additional personnel to augment their policing efforts and to assist in identifying and solving local problems.

Understanding that many local/ neighborhood problems are related to crime; the task force has geared its operation toward the identification and arrest of individuals involved in neighborhood criminal activity. 2009 was a very successful year for the Crime Suppression Task Force. Through a combination of directed patrol, intelligence gathering, undercover operations and surveillance, the Task Force arrested 101 persons. Of those arrested, 92 were for felonies including Murder, Parole Absconding, Armed Robbery, Narcotics, Burglary, and Home Invasion.

NET has successfully forfeited and closed cases that resulted in the distribution of \$2,000,000 to the local participating agencies.

CSTF ARRESTS BY OFFENSE 2009

Murder	1
Armed Robbery	4
Larceny	13
Home Invasion	1
UDAA	1
Prostitution	4
Drug Crimes	12
Felony Warrants	28
Receiving & Concealing	8
Other	29

WARRANTS UNIT

The Warrants Unit is staffed with two clerks and four detectives under the supervision of a sergeant. The clerks are responsible for researching, entering, and confirming warrants from 15 district courts in Oakland County, as well as the 6th Circuit Court. Four detectives assigned to the unit make arrests in every county in the state, and facilitate extraditions for any out of state agency. One of the four detectives is also assigned to the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force two days a week.

The statistics below include 51 felony and 74 misdemeanor arrests, where the warrant officers initiated the arrest without being dispatched for a pick-up from another agency. 887 people were arrested which cleared up 904 warrants.

WARRANTS UNIT ACTIVITY

Extradition Hearings.....	94
Warrant Arraignments – Misdemeanors...	346
Total Warrant Arrests	887
Dispatched Pick-Ups.....	762
Officer Initiated Felony Arrests	51
Officer Initiated Misdemeanor Arrests ...	74
Warrants Cleared	904

NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT TEAM

Since January 2001, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office has led the Oakland County Narcotics Enforcement Team (NET) with a highly cooperative working relationship with all federal and local police departments. This year, in 2009, the NET unit worked closely with the DEA to successfully disrupt and dismantle 35 drug trafficking organizations. Listed below is the chart showing that the NET unit seized approximately \$8,700,000 worth of illegal narcotics throughout Oakland County. NET has successfully forfeited and closed cases that resulted in the distribution of \$2,000,000 to the local participating agencies. Oakland County continued to follow the national drug threat trend with cocaine/crack, marijuana, and heroin being the top three drug threats.

NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT TEAM ACTIVITY 2009

Investigations Initiated	724
Arrests – Persons	210
Arrests – Charges	375
Drugs Purchased/Seized	
Cocaine.....	6,606.6 gms
Crack	487.9 gms
Marijuana	2,092.3 lbs
Heroin	520.5 gms
Ecstasy	2,844.0 units
Dangerous Drugs.....	6,274.0 units
Approximate Value of Drugs	
Purchased/Seized	\$8,700,000.00

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT (S.I.U.)

The Special Investigations Unit (S.I.U.) is the Major Crimes and Professional Standards unit of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office. S.I.U. is comprised of six detective sergeants and one detective lieutenant with significant experience and expertise in the investigation, supervision, administration and prosecution of complex criminal cases at both the state and federal levels.

S.I.U. provides investigative support to all divisions of the Sheriff's Office as well as to a wide variety of other law enforcement agencies, including local, state and federal agencies as well as the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office. S.I.U. provides investigative assistance on major crimes; including homicides, sexual assaults, robbery, serial crimes of violence and financial crimes. The financial crimes section of S.I.U. is responsible for mortgage fraud investigations.

S.I.U. is also responsible for the collection, evaluation and dissemination of criminal intelligence information generated by the Corrective Services Division. Additionally, S.I.U. is responsible for monitoring all levels of inmate communication: visitation, telephone calls and mail, from an investigative/intelligence gathering perspective.

S.I.U. is also the Oakland County Sheriff's Office professional standards

unit (i.e. internal affairs); investigating criminal and serious disciplinary matters involving all members of the Sheriff's Office, up to and including officer involved shooting investigations. S.I.U. is also frequently called upon by other police agencies to conduct, assist or review similar investigations within the requesting agency.

Further, S.I.U. is responsible for the investigation of all major inmate incidents within the Corrective Services and Satellite Facilities divisions. Examples of these investigations include in-custody deaths, escapes, jail disturbances, possession/distribution of illegal drugs or contraband and especially assaults on corrections staff.

Significant investigations during 2009 included:

- Investigation into the homicide of a 39 year old Commerce Township resident.
- Continued investigation and trial preparation in a cooperative investigation with the Farmington Department of Public Safety, involving a 1979 Homicide which occurred in the City of Farmington.
- The trial and subsequent conviction of the responsible in a 1985 homicide which occurred in Royal Oak Township.
- The investigation into the homicide of a 17 year old Commerce Township resident, which resulted in the arrest of the responsible.
- The investigation of an officer involved fatal shooting in the City of Pontiac.
- The continued investigation and trial preparation related to the line of duty death (homicide) of an Oak Park Public Safety Officer.
- The trial and subsequent conviction of two individuals in the homicide of a 21 year old restaurant employee, in an assist to the Lathrup Village Police Department.
- The trial and conviction of a 52

year old subject for homicide (stabbing) in an assist to the Lathrup Village Police Department.

- The investigation and arrest of a subject in the attempted murder (handgun) of a 5 year old girl.

Additionally, during 2009 S.I.U.:

- Conducted 6 mortgage fraud investigations;
- Provided assistance to local, state and federal law enforcement agencies in over 90 investigations involving inmate communications and visitations;
- Processed approximately 100 liquor license applications, inspections and transfers;
- Continued to collect and investigate tips on the Oakland County Child Killer investigation;
- Continued to provide investigative assistance to Oakland County police agencies and the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office on both current and historical homicide investigations;

Investigators from S.I.U. participated in and/or provided instructors for the following:

- CLEMIS Investigators Users Group
- CLEMIS Crime Analyst Group
- CLEMIS Cool Tools for Investigators classes
- Oakland County Child Death Review Committee
- Oakland County Domestic Violence Fatality Review Committee
- Common Ground Homicide Survivors Group

EVIDENCE/PROPERTY ROOM

A Senior Property Room Technician and one part-time office assistant operate the Main Evidence/Property Room and are responsible for ensuring the proper logging and maintenance of all evidence/property coming into the custody of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office, excluding the

property of inmates. Legal requirements for the storage, handling, and disposition of property must be adhered to in a safe and efficient manner. Property Room personnel must preserve the Chain of Custody for evidence as well as physically observe the destruction or release of property.

The destruction and disposal of drugs, contraband, hazardous materials, and forbidden weapons and firearms used during the commission of a crime are the responsibility of the Senior Property Room Technician. The destruction

of property is done after following careful examination of the disposition of individual court cases and with the written authorization of the officer-in-charge of the case. All firearms that cannot be legally returned to the owner are submitted to the Michigan State Police Firearms Section for destruction, in addition to those for which rightful ownership cannot be established.

Released property may include recovered property, property held for safekeeping, found property, or evidence. These items



may include evidence that is no longer required for court and released to the owner. The disposition of property also includes preparing items for the County Auction, which is held on a semi-annual basis, or from the Bidcorp on-line auction.

PROPERTY ROOM STATISTICS - NUMBER OF ITEMS

Total Property Received.....	2,719
Property Destroyed	3,354
Weapons Destroyed.....	154
Property Released	710
Auctioned Property (Bidcorp).....	59
Forfeited Monies – Sheriff's Enhancement Fund	\$2,315.19
Forfeited Monies – Unclaimed Fund.....	\$372.51

NET PROPERTY ROOM

The Narcotic Enforcement Team, better known as NET, has a separate property room for all confiscated items from narcotic raids. The NET property room is staffed with one full-time property room technician who is responsible for ensuring the property maintenance of all property submitted into the NET property room.

NET PROPERTY ROOM STATISTICS - NUMBER OF ITEMS

Total Property Received.....	3,253
Property Destroyed	1,898
Weapons Destroyed.....	259
Property Released	203
Auctioned Property (Bidcorp).....	188

FRIEND OF THE COURT ENFORCEMENT UNIT

At full strength the unit consists of six investigators supervised by one sergeant. They are responsible for enforcement of the 5700+ warrants issued every year and travel throughout the state picking up and transporting individuals arrested by other law enforcement agencies on Oakland County Friend of the Court warrants. There are also three clerks (employed by Friend of the Court) responsible for entering and confirming warrants.

The unit continues to work on efficiency with an eye on the budget. Aggressive use of “Wanted Posters” continues as does posting of bonds direct to F.O.C. via the internet. Working with the Supervisors and Referees at Friend of the Court, a system was developed to review the particulars of each case before committing to long distance pick-ups of prisoners, particularly individuals who have already been incarcerated for a long period of time or those with obvious medical and/or mental illnesses. This has reduced a number of long distance trips and frees up more time for investigators to be productive in other areas.

FOC ENFORCEMENT UNIT ACTIVITY 2009

New Bench Warrants Issued	5,742
FOC Investigator Initiated Arrests	637
Bench Warrants Canceled.....	5,658
Wanted Posters Sent	7,654
Prisoner Pick-ups (Statewide).....	632
Resulting Surrenders/Compliance....	2,580

CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE UNIT

In March of 2009, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Criminal Intelligence Unit was organized and implemented. The mission of our Criminal Intelligence Unit is to collect, organize, analyze, maintain and disseminate information on activities and operations of individuals, associates or groups suspected of, or involved in, criminal activity.

The goal of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Criminal Intelligence Unit is to apply its resources and coordinate with OCSO and other units, Sub Stations and law enforcement agencies to prevent and discourage the presence of organized criminal activities within Oakland County.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office Criminal Intelligence Unit works in conjunction with the Gang Intelligence Unit, Michigan Intelligence Operation Center and the Department of Homeland Security to monitor gang and terrorism related activity to protect the citizens of Oakland County.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, TRAINING AND COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

COMMANDER: CAPTAIN TIM ATKINS

The Emergency Preparedness, Training and Communications Division (EPTC) is comprised of four very diverse and specialized bureaus. Each provides vital and unique services to the Oakland County Sheriff's Office and local law enforcement agencies.

TRAINING BUREAU

The Sheriff's Office Training Bureau is responsible for the development, planning, scheduling and maintenance of all in-service and off-site law enforcement and corrections related instruction. Designated to cover the Sheriff's Office educational needs, the Training Bureau oversees the training for MCOLES licensed officers, certified corrections officers, dispatchers, medical staff, inmate services workers and other civilian personnel. A strong "in-house" instructional staff, combined with specialized on-site/off-site vendor training, provides members of the Sheriff's Office with the best information available in the various topics facing staff.

In 2009, a total of 16,720 persons attended training facilitated by the bureau. 55,822 trainee man-hours were required to achieve that training. 10,070 instruction hours were necessary. Both on-site staff and outside vendors were utilized. No academies were held in 2009.

In 2009, the Training Bureau held two complete in-service training sessions provided to all full-time sworn personnel. The first involved Gang Awareness and Crowd & Riot Control training. A total of 742 personnel were trained during the first in-service session.

The second session of 2009 in-service training involved Legal Update and LEIN Operator Certification (including necessary civilian personnel). A total of 810 personnel were trained in this session.

A special session for Road Patrol was held to teach Mobile Field/Small Squad Tactics for handling special situations (including instructor training). A total of 322 personnel were trained in this session.

An integral part of the Training Bureau is the firearms and less lethal weapons training component. The Oakland County Sheriff's Office operates and maintains a firearms shooting range. This operation is staffed by two range masters.

Training and certifications for the use of handguns, shotgun, rifle, tasers, baton and pepper spray are provided throughout the year. A highly-technical system, known as Fire Arms Training System (FATS) is utilized for handgun training. In 2009, 9,497 firearm/intermediate weapon one-hour training sessions were provided to 1,068 officers. The Firearms Unit also maintains inventory and repairs for all Sheriff's Office weapons.

The Training Bureau establishes and maintains a wide variety of records relating to departmental personnel. The bureau also manages ancillary functions, such as:

- The Corrections Academy (in-house training for newly-hired officers)
- The Field Training Officers program (both Corrections & Law Enforcement Services)
- The Firearms Range (handgun, shotgun, rifle, "TASER", baton & pepper spray, Fire Arms Training System ["FATS"] instruction)
- The Police Academy, State of Michigan – M.C.O.L.E.S. licensing process





- All in-service training courses (mandated & additional department specific topics)
- All off-site training courses
- State & local training fund expenditures
- Student intern programs
- Database management of all Sheriff's employees and related statistics
- Training resource management (equipment, classroom and conference room use, video library)
- Emergency deployment of Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) and training for this process.
- Annual TB test notifications and compliance reports

The Training Bureau remains committed to providing the most up-to-date and professional training available while maintaining their budget. Planning for the continuing and mounting law enforcement challenges of the future remain an ongoing commitment by the

Training Bureau.

Contained within the Training Bureau is the Oakland County Concealed Weapons Licensing Board. In 2009, the chair was Captain Timmy Atkins with assistance from Sergeant David Mailloux. The other members of the licensing board consisted of Oakland County Board of Commissioner Representative Mark Cortis and a representative from the Michigan State Police. The Records Bureau of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office processes the applications for fingerprinting and background investigations.

The following are the 2009 calendar year statistics for the Oakland County Concealed Weapons Licensing Board:

	2009	2008	2007	2006
Permits Pending	1,302	1,235	181	223
Permits Issued	9,892	5,750	3,655	4,741
Permits Denied	168	116	96	105
Permits Suspended	341	229	235	106
Permits Revoked	14	1	9	6
Permits Reinstated	140	119	64	30
Approximate Valid Permits in Oakland County	31,746	25,473	21,848	18,497

HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BUREAU

In early 2002, the Oakland County Sheriff, County Executive and Board of Commissioners enhanced the County's ability to plan and respond to major disasters that might occur in Oakland County. This plan included not only natural disasters or man made disasters, such as tornado touchdowns or an aircraft crash, but also for acts of terrorism, both domestic and non-domestic.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office designated a Division Captain as a liaison to the manager of the Oakland County Homeland Security Division. Under the direction of this Captain, the training and preparation for a variety of situations has continued. One such preparation includes



maintenance and training for deploying the Mass Decontamination Unit (MDU). This unit is designed for decontamination of the general population and first responders. It also functions as an on-scene rest and rehabilitation center and temporary shelter or staging area during emergencies, disasters, training events, and community functions.

The MDU members are a highly-skilled group of deputies that are certified in Hazardous Material Awareness and Hazardous Material Operations. Also, all of the team members are certified fire fighters or have military experience. In 2009, there were ten separate deployment requests for the Mass Decontamination Unit.

In 2008, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office placed the Command structure of the Special Response Team (SRT) into the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Bureau. The Special Response Team (SRT) is a highly-trained and specially equipped team of deputies selected from personnel throughout the Sheriff's Office. The SRT responds to critical situations involving barricaded gunmen, high-risk warrant arrests, drug raids, civil disturbances, and other police emergencies. Continuous specialized

training along with sophisticated equipment provides the team with the necessary capabilities to help resolve these dangerous missions swiftly and safely. The unit maintains the ability to respond to chemical and biological incidents that require law enforcement first to stabilize the scene.

In 2009, SRT participated in numerous special events with other federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies (including the 2009 Regional Response exercise), provided executive protection for high-profile dignitaries. The Special Response Team remains focused on being prepared for any major incident by ongoing training in response to active shooters, hostage situations and terrorist incidents. In 2009, the SRT Unit responded to twenty-two requests for service.

While several exercises to test response to major incidents have been recently held, one of note in 2009 was the S. E. Michigan Urban Area Security Initiative Regional Response Exercise. During the event, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office, Oakland County Homeland Security Division, Oakland County Health Department and many other federal, state, and local agencies from around the region

participated in a regional exercise at the Combined Regional Emergency Services Training facility. This training consisted of multiple simulated terrorist incidents including bombings, hostage situations and a WMD chemical release. All of the simulated attacks occurred simultaneously causing mission commanders to strategically plan their use of resources and responses. This exercise provided an opportunity to practice a coordinated

one Chief of Communications, six Dispatch Specialist Shift Leaders, thirty-eight Dispatch Specialists, and one office assistant. One additional position is assigned as a Quality Control Auditor. This person routinely reviews service quality to ensure a constant and consistent work performance. This position also provides for the specific training needs of the staff and focuses on constant improvement.

The bureau provides all the emergency and non-emergency answering for all of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office and six local law enforcement agencies. This includes 911 cell phone calls for many communities within Oakland County. Additionally, emergency dispatching for ten fire departments is provided. All call takers are fully-trained in Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) as well as Emergency Fire Dispatch (EFD).

The total number of EMD calls performed in 2009 was 4,496. There were numerous medical emergencies that required CPR instructions to be given to callers under stressful circumstances. All Dispatch Specialists worked together through a number of different emergencies. The EMD calls are reviewed and graded for quality assurance in two (2) areas. In 2009, the scores in these areas were very high.



response to a major terrorist attack. The Homeland Security and Emergency Management Bureau will remain committed and focused on building and improving the County's ability to respond to major incidents in a coordinated manner, with federal, state and other counties and local agencies.

COMMUNICATIONS AND 911 BUREAU

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office continues to operate one of the largest police/fire dispatch 911 centers in Michigan. The Bureau is made up of

TECHNICAL PROTOCOL

2009 = 97.03%
2008 = 96.37%
2007 = 94.93%
2006 = 93.91%
2005 = 90.5%

CUSTOMER SERVICE PROTOCOL

2009 = 99.79%
2008 = 99.80%
2007 = 99.80%
2006 = 99%
2005 = 99%

Nineteen (19) Dispatch Specialists continue to volunteer to be designated fire dispatchers. The satisfaction with quality of the fire dispatching by the end user fire services has been and remains very high.

During 2009, 885 callers received Emergency Fire Dispatch instructions. The quality scores on these calls were:

TECHNICAL PROTOCOL

2009 = 95.71%
2008 = 95.31%
2007 = 91.94%
2006 = 90.50%
2005 = 86%

CUSTOMER SERVICE PROTOCOL

2009 = 99.86%
2008 = 99.93%
2007 = 99.67%
2006 = 99.42%
2005 = 98.80%

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office Communications Center serves as the "default call center" for the entire County. In instances where the 911 system does not know where to route a call, that call is routed to the Sheriff's Office. Upon receiving these calls, the staff determines the location of the emergency and transfers the call to the appropriate law enforcement or fire agency. This process has proven to be an efficient and seamless solution for routing these 911 emergencies.

The Sheriff's Office 911 center is equipped to provide assistance to other area 911 centers should their center become unable to operate due to a situation, such as phone outages, etc. During those emergencies, the Sheriff's Office center is designed to accept rerouted 911 calls from those affected areas.

Call volume numbers continue to increase in 2009. 911 cellular calls now constitute 71% of the total calls received. The 2009 call volume statistics broke out as:

INCIDENTS

Sheriff's Office	125,587
Other Police Agencies	38,364
Fire Departments	10,878
Total Incidents	174,829

TELEPHONE CALLS

9-1-1	33,017
Cellular 9-1-1	80,614
7-digit Emergency	88,182
Administrative Calls	112,194
Total Calls	314,007

Throughout the year, the transition to the new OPEN SKY MA/COM Radio System advanced towards completion. This system will bring the best technology and equipment available into the Sheriff's Office 911 call center. The inter-operability it will offer the seventy-one law enforcement and fire services who will be on line will no doubt bring new levels of efficiency and safety for both first responders and citizens. The entire Communications Bureau remains committed to providing the best service possible.

CIVIL BUREAU

The Sheriff's Office continues to contract a private company to provide civil service. An Account Clerk II is assigned to this bureau. The privatization of the Civil Bureau continues to save the taxpayers of Oakland County approximately \$700,000 per year. The following are the 2009 calendar year statistics:

	2009	2008	2007	2006
Mortgage Foreclosure Sales	8818	9,625	8,019	5,321
Summonses / Complaints	982	1,652	3,399	2,546
Executions	129	24	5	6
Posted Adjournments	121,118	48,000	13,762	13,057
Postings	398	3,047	2,802	1,757
Personal Protection Orders	531	920	1,295	1,295
Notice of Hearing	173	307	432	379
Motions	287	411	562	536
Orders to Show Cause	25	166	182	286
Subpoena	87	151	376	341
Small Claims	37	99	207	166
Garnishments	17	76	258	263
Public Tax Title Notices	0	0	0	0
Treasurer Tax Notice	0	3,223	3,608	3,037
Miscellaneous	329	352	686	662
Probate	196	259	566	438
Reimbursement	52	117	55	119

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office continues to step up to provide community service programs that are valuable to a cross section of our community: parents, students, senior citizens, and individuals in need are just a few of the groups that are positively impacted by the Sheriff's Office programs. Available to all Oakland County residents, and dedicated to raising awareness of important safety issues, the OCSO's community programs have been able to provide services to residents that are focused on prevention and education while providing positive interactions between the law enforcement community and Oakland County residents. This proactive approach is beneficial to everyone and creates a strong partnership with our community.

The OCSO is continually looking for new ways to assist residents with their daily lives. Whether it is providing a method for proper disposal of prescription drugs, providing an emergency cell phone to a senior citizen, giving a winter coat to a person in need, enabling a resident to shred personal documents to better protect themselves from identify theft, or setting up a child in need with a bicycle or a fun day at the water park. Sheriff Bouchard and his team at the OCSO care about the quality of life of Oakland County's residents and are dedicated to making it better.

The programs and events below are some examples of the major community programs the Sheriff's Office administered in 2009:

OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET

A new program for 2009, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office unveiled Operation Medicine Cabinet™ in July with partner Home Instead Senior Care. This prescription drug disposal program allows individuals to clear out and dispose of their unused or expired prescription drugs in a way that is environmentally friendly and also serves to keep drugs out of the hands of unauthorized users. The drug abuse prevention community, environmental groups, and the senior and health care community to name a few, have all embraced and supported Operation Medicine Cabinet™. The OCSO looks forward to partnering with more law enforcement agencies to expand this excellent program.

STOPPED PROGRAM

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office continued its participation in the STOPPED Program, (Sheriff Telling Our Parents and Promoting Educated Drivers) - STOPPED is a voluntary parental notification system developed by the Michigan Sheriff's Association to reduce the number of young drivers who are injured or killed in motor vehicle crashes each year. Annually over 3,000 drivers,



ages 16 to 21 years old, die in the United States as a result of motor vehicle crashes.

SOAK N' SUMMER

2009 marked the third year the Oakland County Sheriff's Office sponsored the Annual Soak n' Summer event with the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Division. Over 200 kids from the Pontiac Boys and Girls Club participated in a fun day at the Waterford Oaks Water Park with Sheriff's Deputies. Sponsors included the Oakland County Credit Union as well Little Caesars Pizza.

SHERIFF'S RE-CYCLE FOR KIDS PROGRAM

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office continues to collect bicycles (new, used, or in need of repair), bike accessories, tools, and parts as part of a program called Sheriff's Re-CYCLE for Kids.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office low-level offenders housed at the Frank Greenan Detention Facility work on refurbishing and repairing the donated bikes. They are then made available to children at no cost through youth



organizations such as the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency (OLHSA), St. Vincent de Paul Church in Pontiac, Easter Seals, Michigan, Inc., and the Lighthouse of Oakland County to name a few.

In 2009, the Sheriff's Re-CYCLE for Kids program received and distributed over 200 donated bikes to children through various agencies, including the Michigan Department of Human Services and OLHSA's holiday gift giving programs.

Sheriff's Re-CYCLE for Kids is performed at no cost to Oakland County's taxpayers and is an excellent way to keep incarcerated individuals giving back to the community. Bicycle distributions continue to be scheduled as the response to this program has been overwhelming.

RESULTS PROGRAM

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office rolled out the Results Program in 2009. The Results Program provides, for a reasonable fee, drug and alcohol tests to the public. Parents may bring their child in to a RESULTS testing location and

request a drug test and/or PBT. Sheriff's Deputies and Chemist Toxicologists assist in performing the tests, and parents can be assured of quick and accurate results.

BEARS ON PATROL

The Bears on Patrol program supplies patrol cars with teddy bears for children found in a crisis. These warm and fuzzy friends are one way to ease the fears of young children who are caught in difficult situations, often bringing a sense of security to a child who is overcome with anxiety. Many area service groups and individuals have generously donated teddy bears and other stuffed animals for this program.

FREE DOCUMENT SHREDDING FOR OAKLAND COUNTY RESIDENTS

The OCSO has been teaming up with Absolute Shreds, a local document shredding company, for the past four years to offer free confidential document shredding to Oakland County residents. Dates, times, and locations are arranged in advance, where Absolute Shreds state of the art high volume shredding truck can be found. That information is available on the Sheriff's website at www.oaklandsheriff.com, in the Community Services section.

COMMUNITY PARADES

The OCSO is proud to participate in many holiday parades that take place around the county throughout the year. This positive interaction with the community is enjoyable to children and adults alike, and the public has come to know the Sheriff's Office through these festive events.

SENIOR CELL PHONE PROGRAM

The Oakland County Sheriff's 911 Emergency Senior Cell Phone Program is designed to equip seniors with a mobile means of **contacting help in the event of an emergency**. The cell phones are

available to any Oakland County Senior Citizens free of charge. There is no monthly service fee to use the phone for emergency use and phones are distributed at the Sheriff's Main Office every Friday morning from 9am-Noon. Since the program's inception in 2002, the OCSO has provided thousands of free 911 cell phones to Oakland County senior citizens.

THE EASTER BUNNY PROJECT

For the sixth year in a row, Sheriff Bouchard and the Easter Bunny have paid visits to area hospitals' pediatric wards around Easter time to brighten the day of children who are ill and may not be able to be home for the Easter Bunny's visit to their house.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH PROGRAM

"Student of the Month" is a program that helps provide students with one more incentive to excel in their studies. Sheriff Bouchard started this program while in the Senate as the Chairman of the Education Committee as a way to recognize young people doing good things.

Participating schools decide who should be recognized. Selected students receive a certificate and also are role models to others in their class and grade. Typically over 120 schools in Oakland County participated in the Student of the Month program.

U-TURN PROGRAM

The U-Turn program is a partnership between Oakland County Youth Assistance and the Oakland County Sheriff's Office. The program's intent is to educate youth and their parents about the consequences of crime and the realities of prison life while reinforcing the value of making smart decisions (staying in school, abstaining from drugs and alcohol, making wise choices about peers, employment, parental involvement, etc.) in order to keep youth from having any further contact with the

juvenile justice system.

Modeled after the "Scared Straight" program, the U-Turn program gives youth and their parents an opportunity to view the Oakland County jail and facilities, and to have the children experience face-to-face encounters with deputies and selected inmates who talk to the youth about the repercussions of their behavior.

"COATS FOR THE COLD" COAT DRIVE

Sheriff Bouchard's "Coats for the Cold" coat drive, an annual coat collection which started 23 years ago, was also successful in bringing in approximately 3,000 coats, which were sorted and delivered to several charitable organizations who distribute the coats to those most in need, at no cost. Those organizations include: Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency, Grace Centers of Hope, the Matchan Nutrition Center at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Pontiac, Ladies of Charity St. Hugo Clothes Closet, Lighthouse of Oakland County, South Oakland Shelter, the Judson Center, and Easter Seals of Michigan. Thanks to wonderful, growing partnerships with the community and PODS (Portable On Demand Storage Units), which for the past five years has served as collection points for the coats, the coat drive continues to be successful.

BENEFIT FOR THE DISABLED

A non-profit organization made up of Sheriff's Office personnel, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Benefit for the Disabled, was founded in 1987 to sponsor events and activities for Oakland County adults and children with special needs that include mental and physical challenges. Each year, the group organizes a holiday shopping trip for children in need as well as throwing an annual fishing derby for close to 1,000 people with physical and mental disabilities. The activities for these benefits are run at no cost to the Sheriff's Office.



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