

2020

Annual Report



North Mankato Police Department

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Chief of Police Message

March 2021

Dear Mayor Dehen and City Council Members:

As we reflect upon 2020, a year unlike any other, it is my pleasure to submit to you and to the citizens of North Mankato the 2020 North Mankato Police Department Annual Report.

From the beginning, 2020 presented us with unprecedented challenges and issues that touched every member of our community, state, and nation. From the incalculable impacts to all facets of daily and work life presented by COVID19, to the death of George Floyd and the immeasurable damage done to law enforcement agencies and the relationships we have with our communities, to political upheaval and rhetoric which has left the country so terribly divided. Suffice it to say, 2020 was an “annus horribilis”.

I am proud to say that through it all, the men and women of your police department stood up and faced these challenges head on and strived to provide professional law enforcement services.

Officers responded to 8377 calls for service this past year, which is down 193 calls from 2019. We also saw a decrease in crimes in 2020. 599 Part 1 and Part 2 crimes were reported last year compared to 757 in 2019.

Unfortunately, I must report to the community that this past year we experienced the death of a 22-year-old man due to narcotic overdose. This case is being aggressively and thoroughly investigated, and we are hopeful that we will be able to file charges at the conclusion of that investigation.

As it relates to crime reporting, in July of this year, the department transitioned to National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) crime reporting as required by federal law and completed the required three-month certification process with a 0% transmission error rate; becoming officially certified for NBIRS reporting in October. NIBRS changes how crime data will be reported. NIBRS reports 62 Group A and Group B crimes with no hierarchy rule, so agencies may collect NIBRS data on as many as 10 different criminal offenses per incident –in summary it will yield a more accurate view of reported crimes throughout the year. I would personally like to thank Senior Police Secretary Tanya Junker, and Lt Nicole Adams for taking this project on and making it a success.

The members of the North Mankato Police Department and I would like to express our sincere and heartfelt gratitude to our community for their continued support and partnership. We are grateful for the numerous letters of appreciation and encouragement, the gifts of food, the monetary donations we received, and for the many passing conversations in which you took a moment to stop an officer to say “thank you” as you saw them out and about in our community.

As we look ahead to 2021, we will continue to work towards building and maintaining the valued trust you have placed in us as your police department. We are a service provider for all. We are here for all. We value all.

Respectfully submitted,

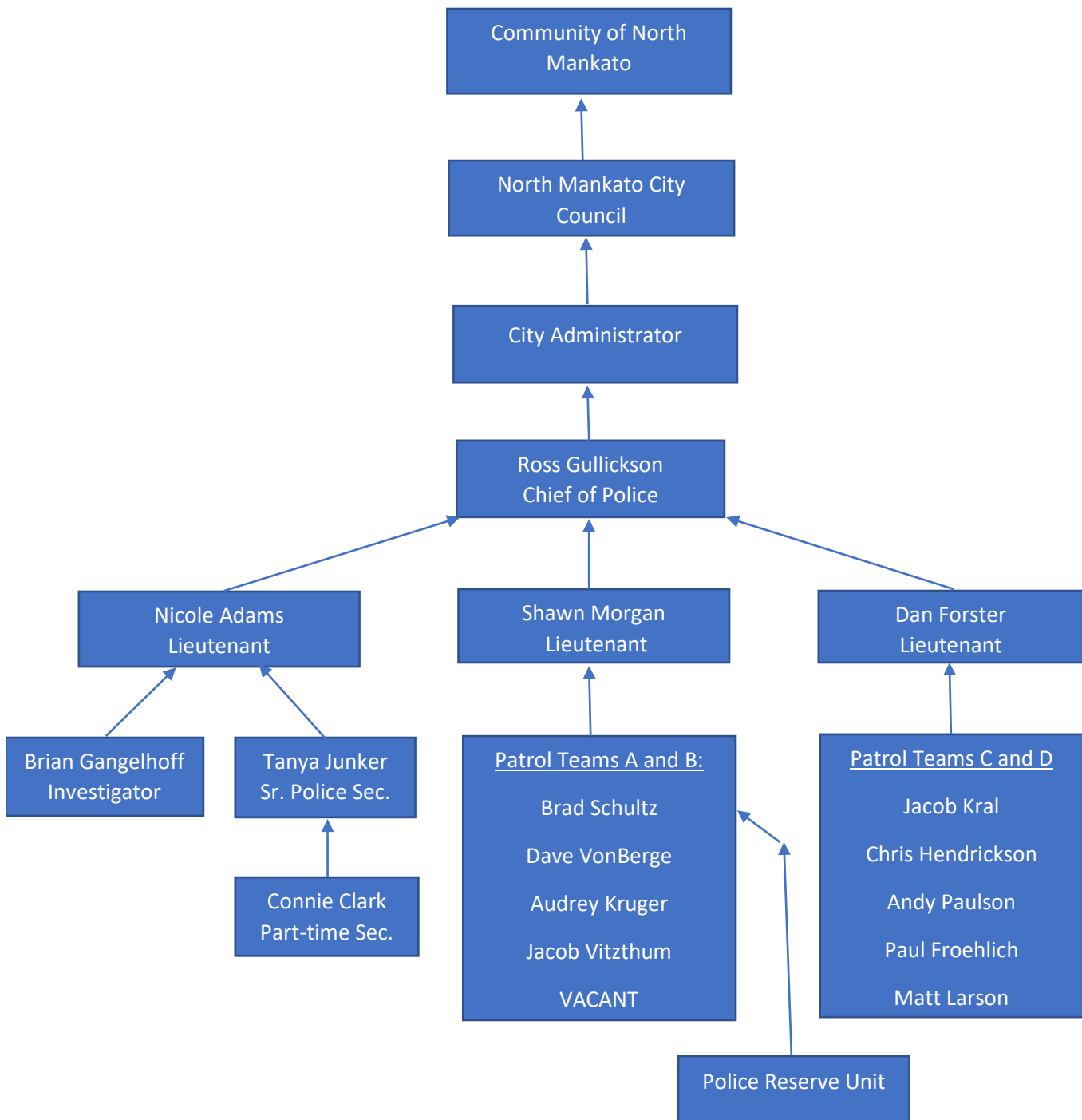
Ross Gullickson, Chief of Police



North Mankato Police

Table of Organization

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Department Training

The purpose of this report is to provide a general idea of the types of training and hours completed by sworn law enforcement members of the North Mankato Police Department.

MN POST Board requires officers to complete a minimum of 48 hours of continuing education within the three-year licensing period to maintain and renew their licensing. Active officers are mandated to train annually in use of force and once every five years in emergency vehicle operations/pursuit driving.

In addition, officers of the North Mankato Police Department are required to complete annual firearms, Taser, defensive tactics training, and biennial 1st responder medical training. It is the officer's discretion which law enforcement related courses they complete to satisfy the remainder of the required forty-eight hours.

Beginning in July of 2018, a new state funded mandate requiring officers to attend an additional 16 hrs. of training in crisis intervention and mental illness crises; conflict management and mediation; and recognizing and valuing community diversity and cultural differences to include implicit bias went into effect.

In 2020, the North Mankato Police Department completed approximately 466 hours of in person training and 316 hours of online training.

Officers assigned to the River Valley Tactical Team completed approximately an additional 240 combined hours of specialized training as part of their monthly team training. Training includes but is not limited to: firearms, barricaded suspects/subjects and negotiation, high risk warrants, hostage negotiation and rescue, entry training, crowd control, active threats, VIP security, chemical/impact munitions, and distraction devices.

Of interest:

Investigator Gangelhoff had to modify our Defensive Tactics course to non-contact due to Covid-19. Officer Hendrickson again offered an additional firearms session to increase our officer's knowledge and comfort level.

Numerous officers attended the annual MSCIC conference in Mankato. The MSCIC conference is the largest law enforcement conference in the state of Minnesota. It attracts chiefs, sheriffs, supervisors, investigators, and patrol officers from local, state, and federal agencies. This conference has drawn officers from throughout Minnesota and northern Iowa.

The remaining annual training conferences our officers regularly attend were unfortunately cancelled.

These conferences offer invaluable knowledge and networking opportunities. We are hoping as things open back up that new event dates will be scheduled.

Officer Froehlich attended Basic SWAT and is replacing several officers who recently resigned from the team.

Officer VonBerge and Lt. Morgan hosted a Taser Instructor course in the North Mankato Police Annex which drew multiple officers from all over MN as well as Northern Iowa and North Dakota.

In 2020, Officers completed 199 hours of crisis intervention and mental illness; conflict management and mediation; and recognizing and valuing community diversity training.

As we move forward into 2021, we will again be tasked with adapting our training to changing social climates and challenges. With the continuation of the Covid-19 pandemic we will rely heavily on technology in the delivery of on-demand learning modules to use-of-force simulation that approaches virtual reality.

Respectfully submitted, Lt. Shawn Morgan

Patrol Division

The patrol division is overseen by Lieutenant Dan Forster and Lieutenant Shawn Morgan and consists of 10 patrol officers. The North Mankato Patrol Division operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.



Ofc. Matthew Larson

The patrol division is the backbone of the police department and the only contact many citizens have with our department. Patrol officers respond to a variety of emergency and non-emergency calls for service including vehicle crashes, medical emergencies, burglaries, traffic enforcement, animal complaints, fire calls and crimes in progress.



Ofc. Jacob Vitzthum

In January, the agency welcomed officers Matthew Larson and Jacob Vitzthum to fill open positions within the patrol division. Officer Larson previously worked for the Minnesota Security Hospital, Tri-City Police Department, and Scott County Sheriff's Office. Officer Vitzthum previously worked in private security and for the Mountain Lake Police Department.

In October, Officer Mikeal Tordsen resigned from the department after 4 years of service to pursue employment elsewhere. We wish to thank Officer Tordsen for his dedication and service to the community.

Investigation Unit

The investigations unit consists of supervisor Lieutenant Nicole Adams and Investigator Brian Gangelhoff. This unit is responsible for the coordination of all types of criminal investigations from misdemeanor to felony level crimes. This team is trained in death scene investigations, evidence collection, interviewing and interrogations.

The investigation unit completes registration and maintains files for all predatory offenders that reside in the city limits of North Mankato. Currently there are 24 registered offenders in the City of North Mankato.

The investigation unit operates the Medical Collection Program. The North Mankato Police Department maintains a secure drop box which allows citizens to anonymously dispose of waste pharmaceuticals and narcotics free of charge. In 2020, 270 pounds of pharmaceutical waste including prescription drugs, over-the-counter medicines, narcotics, vitamins, supplements and ointments were collected. Since inception 1,787.5 pounds of pharmaceutical waste have been properly disposed at a license incinerator within the State of Minnesota.

Administrative Support

Lieutenant Nicole Adams oversees the administrative support unit for the North Mankato Police Department. This unit consists of one full-time senior police secretary and one part-time police secretary. These secretaries review all calls for service and are responsible for administrative support including but not limited to customer service, record processing and non-emergency dispatching. In addition, the senior secretary serves as the BCA Terminal Agency Coordinator, Data Practices Designee, and is responsible for crime analysis, record management, record retention, and record dissemination.

Special Assignments

POLICE CHIEF COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The Police Chief is an active member of the community and serves on many boards including but not limited to:
Committee Against Domestic Abuse (CADA) – Board of Directors
North Mankato Traffic and Safety Committee – Member
TAPESTRY Refuge Program Planning Team - Member
Regional Emergency Management Team – Member
Regional Drug Task Force – Board member
Tactical Response Team – Board Member
Nicollet County Adolescent Chemical Wellness - Advocate

DEPARTMENTAL SPECIAL DUTIES/TRAINING INSTRUCTORS

Firearms Instructors – Officer Chris Hendrickson and Officer Jacob Kral
Defensive Tactics Instructor– Investigator Brian Gangelhoff
Taser Instructor – Officer David VonBerge
Field Training Officer Instructors – Officer Andreas Paulson, Officer David VonBerge, Officer Jacob Kral
Reserve Unit Coordinator – Officer Brad Schultz

MINNESOTA RIVER VALLEY TACTICAL RESPONSE TEAM

Lieutenant Forster and Officer Froehlich are members of the Minnesota River Valley Tactical Response Team. This team responds to high-risk law enforcement situations in Le Sueur, Blue Earth and Nicollet Counties.

MINNESOTA SOUTH CENTRAL INVESTIGATORS COALITION

Lieutenant Nicole Adams and Investigator Gangelhoff are members of the Minnesota South Central Investigators Coalition. This non-profit organization provides an avenue to exchange investigative information and training between multiple jurisdictions.

Use of Force

The North Mankato Police Department is committed to being transparent in all aspects of our police service, including the incidents in which our officers must use force in the performance on their duties. Our officers strive to control and deescalate situations, but unfortunately not everyone we encounter is cooperative, and sometimes we must use force to defend ourselves/others or take people into custody.

In 2020, officers responded to 8377 calls for service with 27 incidents requiring use of force; these incidents represent 0.32% of the departments calls for service.

Level of Resistance Presented by Subject	Number of People
Deadly Force Towards Officer: <i>Force presented with the intent to kill or inflict great bodily harm to an officer.</i>	1
Active Bodily Harm Towards Officer: <i>Force presented to intentionally inflict physical injury or harm to an officer</i>	3
Active Resistance Towards Officer: <i>Force presented to actively resist an officer but not to assault or intentionally inflict injury</i>	11
Passive Resistance Towards Officer: <i>Force presented to minimally resist an officer</i>	2
Compliant with Officer Directions/Commands: <i>No resistance encountered. Subject compliant with instructions or directives.</i>	10



Police Reserves

The North Mankato Police Reserve Unit is a dedicated team of volunteers serving the community by assisting with local events and summer park patrols. Throughout the unit's history the reserves have donated hundreds of thousands of hours to the citizens of the City of North Mankato.

The 2020 year for the North Mankato Police Reserves was a unique year like so many other agencies due to COVID-19. The pandemic brought concerns, cancellations, and unique challenges to the Reserve organization like so many other groups trying to function in the unknown.

The Reserve Unit maintained a staffing number of seventeen active Reserve Officers over the past year.

During the 2020 year our Reserves participated in ten trainings with a variety of topics some to include CPR Training, Defib Certification, Handcuffing, among others.

The Reserves continued with community involvement working known events such as Kiwanis Lights, Anthony Ford Pond Hockey Tournament, Movies in the Park, Polar Plunge, Halloween Event, and city clean up. Some Reserves participated in the Presidential Visit Detail and started Patrolling the City of North Mankato Parks. Numerous cancellations occurred for events scheduled that our agency has assisted with in previous years. The Reserves participated in completing security for two major fire scenes and participated in 1067 hours of activities for the year.

The North Mankato Reserves provided professionalism and safety to our community with support from those they served.

Officer Brad Schultz 708
North Mankato Police



Crime Statistics

Crime data is reported to the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The FBI required agencies to transition to NIBRS by 2021. In July, the department transitioned from Summary Crime Reporting to NIBRS (National Incident Based Reporting System).

Crime Reporting System		Minnesota Return A				Report Date: 3/17/2021	
ORI: MN0520100		Report Period: 01/01/2020 - 12/31/2020				Population: 14,008	
Agency: North Mankato Police Dept							
Offenses and Clearances by Classification							
Offense Classification		Offenses Reported or Known	Offenses Unfounded	Total Actual Offenses	Crime Rate per 100,000	Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means	Cleared Involving only Under 18 Years Old
Murder & Nonnegligent Manslaughter	Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape							
Completed		9	2	7	50	3	1
Attempted		1	0	1	7	1	0
	Totals	10	2	8	57	4	1
Robbery							
Firearm		1	0	1	7	1	0
Knife or Cutting Instrument		0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Weapon		0	0	0	0	0	0
Strong Arm (hands, fist, feet, etc.)		0	0	0	0	0	0
	Totals	1	0	1	7	1	0
Assault							
Firearm		1	0	1	7	1	0
Knife or Cutting Instrument		2	0	2	14	1	0
Other Weapon		3	0	3	21	3	1
Hands, Fist, Feet, etc. (aggravated injury)		2	0	2	14	2	0
	Totals	8	0	8	57	7	1
Burglary							
Forcible Entry		1	0	1	7	0	0
Unlawful Entry (no force)		10	0	10	71	2	1
Attempted Forcible Entry		0	0	0	0	0	0
	Totals	11	0	11	79	2	1
Larceny-theft	Totals	116	1	115	821	17	4
Motor Vehicle Theft							
Autos		8	1	7	50	4	1
Trucks & Buses		0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Vehicles		0	0	0	0	0	0
	Totals	8	1	7	50	4	1
Arson	Totals	1	0	1	7	0	0
Human Trafficking - Commercial Sex Acts	Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Human Trafficking - Involuntary Servitude	Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Part I Totals		155	4	151	1,078	35	8
Part II Offenses							
Other Assaults (simple, not aggravated)		74	3	71	507	39	6
Forgery & Counterfeiting		16	0	16	114	1	0
Fraud		59	0	59	421	1	0
Embezzlement		0	0	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property (buy, receive, possess)		0	0	0	0	0	0
Vandalism		71	0	71	507	11	3
Weapons (carry, possess, etc.)		31	2	29	207	4	1
Prostitution & Commercialized Vice		1	0	1	7	1	0
Sex Offenses (except Rape & Prostitution)		6	0	6	43	3	0
Drug Abuse Violations		41	0	41	293	28	4
Gambling		0	0	0	0	0	0
Family & Children		2	0	2	14	2	0
Driving Under the Influence		11	0	11	79	11	0
Liquor Laws		2	0	2	14	2	0
Drunkennes - MN statute repealed 1971		0	0	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct		81	1	80	571	21	2
Vagrancy		2	0	2	14	2	2
All Other Offenses (except traffic)		51	3	48	343	26	3
Suspicion - not a crime in MN		0	0	0	0	0	0
Part II Totals		448	9	439	3,134	152	21
Curfew & Loitering (persons under 18)		0	0	0	0	0	0
Runaways (persons under 18)		8	0	8	57	4	0
Grand Totals		611	13	598	4,269	191	29

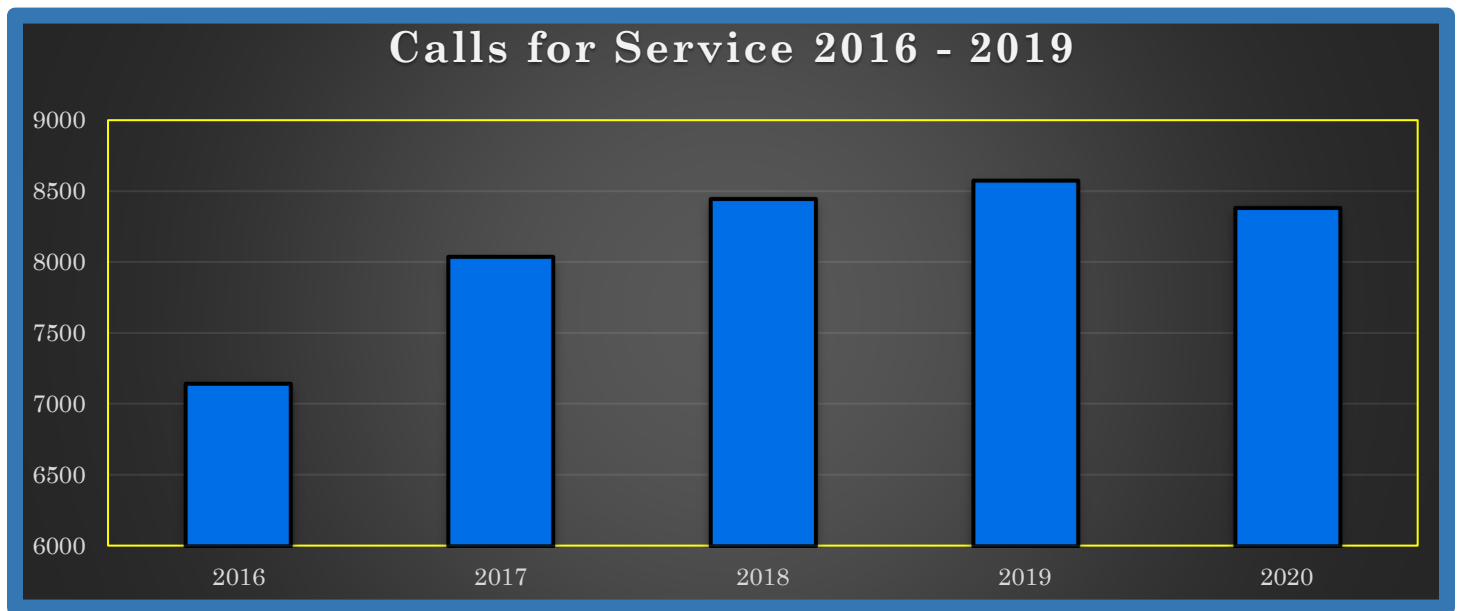
Calls for Service

The North Mankato Police Department prides itself in providing superior law enforcement services to the community. The department takes all reports very seriously and diligently investigates each report.

Type	2017	2018	2019	2020
Traffic stops	1377	1415	1220	1369
Records	628	849	875	843
Medical	592	601	776	774
Public Assist	342	348	461	507
911 Verification	232	310	512	486
Suspicious	401	354	394	426
Parking/OTP Complaints/Tire Chalking	190	248	292	254
Welfare Check	136	149	148	202
Civil Issue	120	115	160	194
Permits	123	125	111	189
Adult/Child Protection Reports	0	23	187	180
Alarm	182	171	211	178
Accident	199	233	237	174
Animal Complaint	174	162	214	164
Motorist Assist	110	141	201	149
Disturb Peace/Privacy (N)	151	147	136	142
Traffic Complaints	204	207	171	136
Agency Assist	447	454	496	135
Found	176	166	193	116
Fire	86	104	89	105
Theft (T)	103	108	81	99
Property Damage (P)	119	68	79	97
Sign Repair/Roadway Obstruction	69	66	105	95
Assault (A)	88	74	85	83
Theft Related (U)	79	57	58	79
Noise Complaint	71	57	87	76
Domestic	85	96	83	75
Extra Patrol Request	54	57	72	75

POR Notifications	69	94	97	69
Solicitor/SCAM Complaints	75	60	81	69
Lost/Missing	105	100	88	68
Hospice Notifications	0	0	0	60
Patrols	239	430	50	45
Drugs (D)	52	55	46	44
Warrant service/attempts	141	93	64	41
Weapons (W)	35	17	20	39
Fed/Conserv/JV/Liquor (M)	48	48	34	29
General Order/Special Details	11	20	46	29
Vehicle Repossession	16	13	16	23
Neighbor/Neighborhood Issues	22	22	23	22
Door/Window Found Open	33	25	21	20
Residence Check Requests	56	42	29	20
Counterfeit/Forgery (C)	5	5	10	18
Animal Bite	15	5	8	17
Vehicle Theft (V)	29	18	19	17
Crim Sex (L)	13	17	12	16
DWI/Traffic (J)	28	23	25	15
Public Health Notices	0	0	0	15
Burglary (B)	33	15	16	12
TZD/Safe and Sober	32	31	21	9
Checks	11	10	14	8
Funeral/Money Escorts	15	19	10	8
Compliance Checks	16	15	15	6
Drunkenness	22	23	11	6
Obscenity (O)	4	4	5	6
Crimes Against Family (I)	213	180	9	5
Crimes vs Admin Justice (X)	26	31	12	5
Negligent Fire/Arson (F)	14	1	3	5
TRT Callout	2	5	2	4
Illness/Death Notification	4	5	2	3
Transport	3	7	9	3
Crimes Against Government (Y)	2	1	1	2
Escape/Flight (E)	7	2	5	2
Civil orders	0	0	0	1

Kidnapping (K) -Deprivation of Parental rights	0	0	0	1
On Call Social Worker Referral	0	0	1	1
Paper service/attempts	0	0	3	1
Probation Transports	0	0	0	1
Robbery (R)	1	0	2	1
Sex related (Z)	1	0	0	1
Commitments	0	0	1	0
Home Accidents	77	80	0	0
Homicide (H)	0	1	0	0
Occupational Accidents	4	1	0	0
Public Accidents	12	10	0	0
Search Warrants	1	3	1	0
Stolen Property Receive/Conceal (Q)	3	4	2	0
Underage Party Complaint	0	0	2	0
Weather	2	0	0	0
Grand Total	8035	8440	8570	8377



Traffic Citation Data

The Toward Zero Deaths (TZD) enforcement grant program provides federal funds to law enforcement agencies to conduct enhanced traffic enforcement. In 2020, the department conducted 58 hours of TZD enforcement compared to 116 hours the previous year.

VIOLATION	2017	2018	2019	2020
Speeding	71	37	43	62
Parking Violations	61	87	102	29
Driving After Revocation	38	48	30	21
Registration Violation	16	12	4	19
Driving After Suspension	19	21	14	14
Driver's License/Permit Violation	18	21	17	12
No Insurance / No Proof of Insurance	21	13	7	11
Stop Sign Violation	12	3	10	9
Failure to Yield Right of Way	6	8	11	6
Driving After Cancellation	1	2	1	5
Fail to Use Due Care	15	10	7	5
Seatbelt Violation	25	37	5	3
Semaphore Violation	3	11	3	2
Use of Wireless Communication Device to Compose, Read, or Send Electronic Message	6	1	2	2
Child Restraint Violation	0	0	1	1
Driving While Intoxicated	10	7	4	1
Underage Drink and Drive	2	2	0	1
Illegal or Unsafe U-Turn	0	0	0	1
Pass in No Passing Zone	0	0	0	1
Careless Driving	3	1	1	0
Disobey One Way Sign	0	2	0	0
Driving Restriction Ignition Interlock Violation	0	1	0	0
Equipment Violation	0	0	1	0
Fail to Move Over for Emergency Vehicle	5	3	1	0
Fail to Yield for Pedestrian	0	2	0	0
Leaving the Scene of an Accident	0	4	1	0
Open Bottle/Allow Open Bottle	2	3	1	0
Reckless Driving	0	2	0	0
School Bus Stop Arm Violation	2	1	1	0
TOTAL:	336	339	267	205

Community Outreach

Connecting with the community is a hallmark of service for the North Mankato Police Department. Unfortunately, due to the COVID19 pandemic our ability to interact and connect through public education and other events was greatly impacted. We had to be flexible and creative so the community knew that although we were not able to meet face-to-face, we were still beside them. One of the ways we did that was by conducting birthday parades with emergency vehicles for community members. A small token of community support by your police officers.

2020 Public Education

DATE	TOPIC	LOCATION/ORGANIZATION	OFFICER	ATTEND
2/1	Snowmobile Safety Class	Saint Peter Armory	704	24
2/18	Active Violence Active Shooter	Kato Engineering	707	300
2/28	Winter Safety, Emergency Communications	Power Up Club House	701	6
3/3	Scam Prevention	Good Shepherd Lutheran Church	706	15
3/4	Safety Talk	Peace Lutheran Church	712	16
3/4	Safety Talk	Peace Lutheran Church	712	14
9/24	Personal Safety Webinar	Realtor Association of Southern Minnesota	706	19
11/11	Law Enforcement	Minnesota State University Mankato	710	12
2020 Total Public Education: 8 2019 Total Public Education: 30 2018 Total Public Education: 28 2017 Total Public Education: 37				



2020 School Patrols

South Central College	44	Hoover Elementary	32
Dakota Meadows Middle School	41	Bridges Community School	12
Futures School	3	Monroe Elementary	15
TOTAL SCHOOL PATROLS: 147			

2020 Community Events

DATE	EVENT	ORGANIZATION
1/6	Radio Interview	Rock 95
1/16	Radio Interview	Alpha Media
2/3	Interview – Winter Driving, Distracted Driving, NIXLE.	KEYC TV
2/9	Snow Emergency Notification	North Mankato Police Department – 250 Notices on Cars
2/13	Meeting Security	Planning Commission
3/2	Part 1 Crimes, Police Internship, and Reserve Patrol	KEYC INTERVIEW
4/1	Interview – Domestic/Disturbance of Peace calls related to Stay-at-Home Order	The Mankato Free Press
4/5	Birthday Parade	Sherwood Drive
4/19	Birthday Parade	Coventry Lane
4/23	Birthday Parade	Haughton Avenue
4/23	Healthcare Appreciation Parade	Mayo Clinic
4/24	Birthday Parade	Coventry Lane
5/2	Birthday Parade	Aspen Lane
5/3	Birthday Parade	Vista Prairie at Monarch Meadows
5/4	Birthday Parade	North Ridge Drive
5/5	Birthday Parade	Lor Ray Drive
5/14	Security Patrol – Fire Patrol	Lindsay Windows
5/14	Parade of Lights	Rivers Edge Hospital and Clinic
5/19	Law Enforcement Interview	North Mankato Police Department
6/12	Movie Event	South Central College
6/26	Adult Swim Night	Spring Lake Park
7/10	Adult Swim Night	Spring Lake Park
7/11	Birthday Parade	Vista Prairie at Monarch Meadows
8/17	President Visit	Mankato Regional Airport
8/18	Birthday Parade	Benson Park
8/22	Birthday Parade	Benson Park
10/6	Night to Unite	North Mankato Neighborhoods
10/10	Movie in the Park	North Mankato Fire Department
10/31	Trunk or Treat	North Mankato Taylor Library
11/18	Birthday Parade	100 Block Marquette Avenue
11/28	Birthday Parade	200 Block Crestwood Drive
12/18	Santa Parade	City of North Mankato
2020 Total Community Events: 32 2019 Total Community Events: 37		



Incidents of Note

- Officers assisted with an armed robbery call for service; the suspect fled the scene and fired at officers throughout the incident. Officers returned fire. The suspect died during the incident. No officers or civilians were injured. Officer Hendrickson will receive the Medal of Valor for his role in this incident along with three members from other responding law enforcement agencies.
- Officers administered Narcan to a patient that overdosed on heroin. The patient regained consciousness and was transported to the hospital.
- Officers investigated a complaint that the Norwood Inn's acting manager had offered to accept sex in lieu of payment. The acting manager was charged with one count of Prostitution Patron Offer to Hire.
- Officers administered Narcan to an unresponsive patient that had overdosed on Methamphetamine. An infant was observed sleeping on a couch near the suspect. The patient became responsive and was transported to the hospital.
- Investigations conducted a three-month investigation into a theft of pre-loaded gift cards from a local business, totaling over \$90,000. The suspect was identified and charged with five counts of felony theft.
- Officer responded to an aggravated robbery involving a firearm. Through an extensive investigation, suspects were identified, and criminal charges filed.
- An officer responded to a 40-year-old patient having a seizure. The patient stopped breathing and did not have a pulse. The officer performed CPR and attached an AED that delivered a shock. The patient regained a pulse and started breathing again before the ambulance arrived.
- Three officers responded as part of the Minnesota Reiver Valley Tactical Response Team to assist Albert Lea Police with an active shooter. A suspect armed with a rifle and shotgun shot an Albert Lea Police Officer and two civilians. The suspect fired an estimated 90 shots during the 8-hour standoff.
- Officers responded to a local business for an employee possibly under the influence of narcotics that physically assaulted an employee and verbally assaulted another employee. The subject became aggressive and assaulted an additional employee and a responding officer. The suspect was subdued by the officer and a witness. The suspect was arrested for Felony Assault of a Police Officer, Felony Narcotic Possession, Obstruction, and Assault.
- Officers responded to a juvenile outside in shorts during blizzard conditions. Upon investigation injuries consistent with being whipped with a phone cord were present and the child was removed from the home. Charges were filed against the perpetrator for malicious punishment of a child and domestic assault.
- Investigations conducted an extensive investigation into reports of a 28-year-old male sexually assaulting juvenile females. The suspect consequently was charged with 10 felony and 4 Gross Misdemeanor counts of criminal sexual conduct.

